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The items will be collected until Friday, Dec 14, when we turn them over to the good folks at Salvation Army. They'll distribute the items to needy people in Plymouth, Canton and Northville.

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When you bring your donations by our office, we'll ask you to leave your name and city/township of residence. That's because we like to print donor names in the paper, while the Cheer Club drive is on. Of course, you may remain anonymous if you prefer. Each year, we've recorded around 200 donors to the Cheer Club from Plymouth and Canton.

Happy Holidays! Please keep our Cheer Club in mind.

'Sketchy' show tonight at Canton High theater

Members of The Improv Club at Plymouth-Salem High School will take to the stage for the first time Thursday (tonight) at 8 p.m. for "Sketchy at Best."

The show will run about an hour at the Canton High School Little Theater.

Sponsored by art teacher Jordan Brun, who has studied at Second City, The Improv Club has been meeting for about two years. Ten members of the 40-member club made it through the first tryout for this show, Brun said.

"Improvisation is the purest form of acting, because the actors don't rely on anything - script, or set or props," Brun said.

Brun hopes his group can do four shows this year. Tryouts for the next show are the week of Jan. 7 after Christmas break. The club meets Mondays after school.

Tickets at the door are \$2.

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Ruling in favor of gay display

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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The Plymouth-Canton school district has been ordered to apologize to two gay teachers who were forced to tear down gay history month displays at West Middle School and Salem High School more than two years ago.

An arbitrator ruled this week First Amendment rights were violated when former interim superintendent Ken Walcott forced Mike Chimento to take down his showcase display at West and

Tom Salbenblatt his bulletin board at Salem High School, in October 1999.

"We've been vindicated," said Chimento. "The arbitrator understood what it's all about. We were trying to create a tolerant, safe and orderly environment in the schools. The ruling by the superintendent two years ago sent a message to students that gay kids are targets."

"I hope the ruling reaffirms that gay and lesbian people are productive members of society and should be given the same respect afforded other people," he said.

In his findings, arbitrator Paul Glen-

don ruled that Chimento and Salbenblatt "were not teaching anything by putting up the displays, they were merely presenting information which they hoped would improve the climate of the school by enhancing understanding and acceptance of gays and lesbians - their purpose in doing so was to help create a safe, accepting, affirming learning environment for all students."

Glendon was critical of Walcott, noting "it is painfully apparent that his real reason for ordering grievants to take down these displays was that they themselves are gay and in his personal

opinion their purpose was to 'promote (their) own lifestyle'."

Walcott left the district when current Superintendent Kathleen Booher was hired in February 2000. However, he was re-hired last summer, by Booher, as interim executive director of human resources. Walcott was unavailable for comment.

Glendon ruled the district must issue written apologies to Chimento and Salbenblatt, which Deputy Superintendent Jim Ryan said will be written and delivered.

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Role playing: Mike Broughton as "Guy LaFleur," portrays a Voyageur as he demonstrates how to blow on a beaver fur to see the underfur which was used to make hats. Fourth grade students from Lynn Burns class sit in the Metro Park van and listen to the presentation. The visit culminated a unit on Michigan History, including Native Americans and Voyageurs.

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Tradin' post

Traveling trailer takes kids back in time

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Farrand Elementary teacher Lynn Burns thought it might be better for her fourth-graders to learn a little about Michigan history in a hands-on fashion, rather than simply from books and stories.

The folks at the Haron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Metroparks were happy to oblige.

The Metroparks Mobile Learning Center, a 48-foot traveling exhibit trailer that brings natural and cultural history programs to schools, was parked at Farrand Tuesday. Supervising interpreter Mike George, playing the role of Jean Louise Baptiste, gave his hour long presentation to four classes studying the voyagers, who paddled 34-foot canoes through the Great Lakes area searching for Native Americans with whom to trade European goods for furs.

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Bargaining power: Michelle Hobig as "Gabrielle," a French trader, bargains with "Roaring Moose," portrayed by Greg Mogos, 9, of Farrand Elementary School Tuesday.

Fresh ideas earn Fox Hills state 'Course of the Year'

BY KURT KUBAN
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Earlier this year, Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center unveiled a new 18-hole course called the Strategic Fox, which was designed to attract more women and children to the game with its shorter and less difficult holes.

It is just one of the innovative ideas and practices that have earned Fox Hills the very first Michigan Golf Course Owners Association's golf course of the year award.

Kate Moore, MGCOA executive director, said Fox Hills was selected for the award from a pool of more than 900 public golf courses in the state. Some of the criteria for the award

included customer service, course maintenance, and how courses marketed themselves to the public.

"They really have something for everyone, from a price standpoint, to pace of play and level of difficulty," Moore said.

Owned by sisters Kathy Aznavorian and Sandy Mily, Fox Hills has three separate courses with a total of 63 holes covering 500 acres on North Territorial west of Napier in Salem Township.

"It's an honor. To be selected from more than 900 golf courses is pretty cool. Honestly, we were shocked when we learned about it," Mily said.

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STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Award winner: Sandy Mily stands in the banquet room overlooking the gazebo and the Golden Fox course Friday at Fox Hills.

Ice Fest returns despite funds lag

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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The show will go on. Despite a lackluster year in collecting sponsorships and donations, the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular will go on as scheduled Jan. 16-21.

"We're still going to have an event. However, the nature of it has yet to be determined," said Mike Watts of Watts-Up Inc., who has organized the Ice Spectacular for the past 11 years. It's been held in downtown Plymouth. "This year has not been easy. It's nothing against the event, it's just that money is tight."

The downturn in the nation's economy, and the after-effects of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, have taken their toll. It was only a few weeks ago there were doubts the internationally renowned Ice Spectacular would see its 20th anniversary.

The event requires a minimum of \$150,000 to put on a week-long ice carving display and competition, with about \$200,000 needed to make it "spectacular." As of Tuesday, about six weeks before taking center stage in Kellogg Park, the festival had collected just over \$100,000. That figure was \$10,000 less than just 24 hours earlier, as two sponsors decided their budgets would not include the Ice Spectacular this year. One of the festival's annual sponsors, Johnson Controls, earlier announced it would pull back its \$10,000 contribution.

And, to make matters worse, Watts said the cost of ice this year has gone up 30 percent.

"We'll still spend about \$22,000 on ice, but we won't be able to buy as much," he said. "Our carvers will be

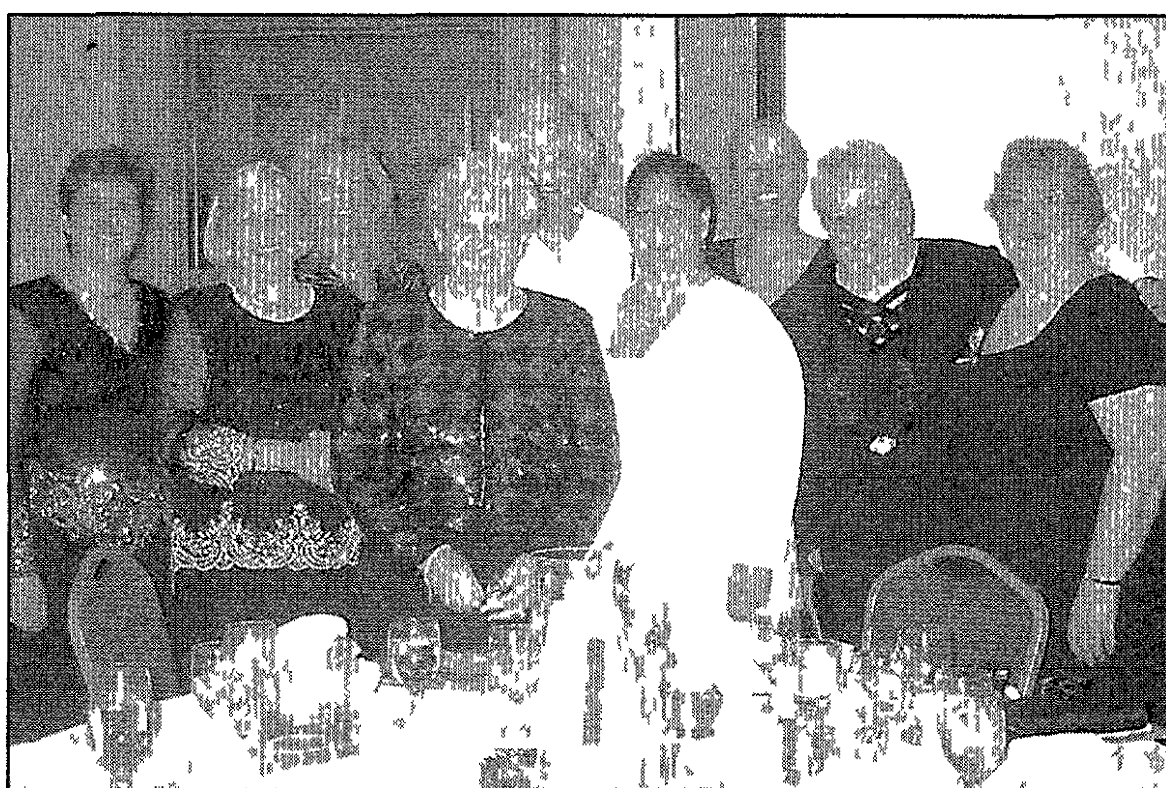
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■ 'Our carvers will be making smaller, more intricate displays as compared to some of the larger ones we've had in the past.'

Mike Watts
—Watts Up, Inc.

Local representatives



In attendance: Sue Petres, from left, Ardis McLeod, Sue Ganz, Laura Merwin, Betty Elliott, Jackie Gonterman, Kitty Percivil, Pat Dickerson and Phebe Huff represented the Sarah Ann Cochran Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, at the recent national DAR conference in Bay City. Huff, a Plymouth resident, performed a musical solo at the conference.

Habitat Christmas cards

Habitat for Humanity of Western Wayne County, which is based in Plymouth, is selling Christmas cards to help raise money to build homes for deserving families in the Wayne County area.

Each package of 12 cards, which were designed and drawn by kids living in Habitat houses, costs \$15.

Cards can be purchased at Habitat for Humanity, 638 Starkweather, or by calling (734) 459-7744.

The cards are also being sold at Frame Works, Heide's Flowers & Gifts, House of Fudge, Kemnitz Fine Candies & Gifts, Little Book Shoppe on the Park, Michigan Made, Native West and Wild Wings Wildlife Art & Gifts.

Deadline extended

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is seeking volunteers to serve on the District's five Vision Priority Teams. Each team is focused on one of the five key areas of the District's Long Range Plan.

To increase community participation the District has extended the deadline until 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7. To reduce scheduling conflicts, the District is asking each individual to serve on one of these teams.

The Vision Priorities are:

- Motivate the community to

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If you wish to volunteer, please access the district form at the Plymouth-Canton Web site at

www.pccs.k12.mi.us, or you can get a copy of the application at any Plymouth-Canton school.

Salvation Army needs families

A Canton resident, Ross Myers, is a key Salvation Army helper. A retired Ford man, he is a leader in the congregation, and helps with the Army's adopt-a-family program at Christmas time.

In that program, a local family agrees to help another family in need by buying a Christmas dinner, and by getting a gift for each member of the needy fam-

ly. "We have about 150 families in need, but only 125 adopting families. We need 25 more families to help out - at least 25," Myers said. The help for each family also includes a health care box full of hygiene and medical items. Contact the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464.

Bill passes

State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township) announced last week the passage of his bill allowing a tax credit on contributions to the state archives and the adoption of a resolution on end-of-life care.

House Bill 5214, authored by Stewart, amends the Income Tax Act to acknowledge the transfer of the state archives from the Department of State to the new Department of History, Arts and Libraries. The bill allows a taxpayer to claim a credit against the income tax for a contribution to the state archives. For example, a contribution to the Michigan Historical Museum is tax-exempt.

House Resolution, also authored by Stewart, urges the Department of Community Health to embark on a public service campaign to encourage Michigan citizens to make preparations for end-of-life care.

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Civil studies



Playing the role: "Townspiece" Jordan Chaney of Plymouth, 8, Olivia Richvalsky of Ann Arbor, 7, and Emilie Guglielmo of Plymouth, 10, converse during a re-enactment of the Underground Railroad at New Morning School in Plymouth recently. Forty students at the private school participated in the Civil War-era re-enactment culminating a study unit in American History. The simulation consisted of townspeople going about their business while conductors moved groups of slaves through the town and surrounding areas safely into Canada. Some slaves were captured, while others made it to freedom — just like it really happened.

Commissioner wants traffic light

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Ron Loiselle is tired of waiting for long periods of time to make a left turn onto Main Street because of heavy traffic between Wing Street and Ann Arbor Road.

So, the Plymouth city commissioner wants the administration to conduct a safety study to determine if an additional traffic light should be placed somewhere in that stretch to control traffic.

"It's gotten particularly bad the last four or five months," said Loiselle. "It's become difficult to make a left turn between Wing Street and Ann Arbor Road because it's such a long stretch without a traffic signal."

'It's gotten particularly bad the last four or five months.'

Ron Loiselle
—City commissioner

Loiselle has his suspicions as to why it's become more challenging to turn into oncoming traffic on Main Street.

"Now that Morton Taylor is open in Canton past Ford Road, more people are probably using it as a north-south thoroughfare, creating more traffic," said Loiselle.

Loiselle said he'd like to see at least one, if not possibly two, traffic lights to break up traffic

along Main Street to give motorists a break to make left turns. City Manager Paul Sincoc said he'll order a traffic study to determine the affects of seemingly-heavier traffic on Main Street.

"We belong to the Traffic Safety Association of Oakland County and they do our traffic studies," said Sincoc. "It's a major street within the city, so we'd be responsible for the cost of a new signal. But, adding one would have to be based on an engineering study."

Sincoc estimates it could cost upwards of \$50,000 for a new traffic light.

Gas leak closes section of 5 Mile

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A gas leak forced Plymouth Community firefighters to close down a section of Five Mile for more than an hour during the Friday afternoon rush hour.

The leak occurred around 3:30 p.m. when a construction worker hit the line with a mechanical tree spade in the Metro West Technology Park near Five Mile and Cleat.

Firefighters from Station No. 2 on Wilcox arrived and immediately blocked traffic from both directions when they realized they were dealing with a gas leak.

Despite the fact workers didn't hit a major line, it was still necessary to direct traffic away from the leak, according to Plymouth Community Fire Chief Larry Groth.

"There is always some inherent danger when you hit a gas line no matter what size it is. You really have to make sure there are no sources of ignition in the area, such as a cigarette or machinery. That is why the road was blocked off, because cars can ignite the gas," Groth said.

A Consumers Energy crew arrived at the scene and repaired the line shortly before 5 p.m. After the line was secure, traffic resumed.

No businesses in the industrial park were evacuated during the incident, and there were no reported injuries.

Line blockage causes sewage spill

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An undetermined amount of untreated sewage spilled into the Middle Rouge River last weekend off of Northville Road near Phoenix Lake.

According to Tony Hollis, who heads Plymouth Township's water and sewer division, the spill was caused by a blockage in an 8-inch main sewer line. The blockage caused the sewage to spill out of several manholes, before running into a catch basin leading directly into the river across from Wayne County's Phoenix Lake road maintenance facility.

Hollis said the spill was discovered Sunday afternoon by a

township worker who was driving along Northville Road. Township crews immediately responded, and used a machine called a jet vactor to break the blockage in the sewer line.

"The blockage was caused by a grease build-up. It was most likely household grease," Hollis said.

A township engineer did an analysis on the spill, and determined about 15 gallons per hour overflowed into the river. Unfortunately, officials don't know when the spill began, and therefore are unsure how much spilled into the river.

"We just don't know when it started," Hollis said.

Under a new state law, all municipalities must make a report to the Michigan Depart-

ment of Environmental Quality when untreated or partially treated sewage overflows into a state waterway. Hollis said the township has already made the report.

According to Hollis, the township does an admirable job maintaining its sewer system, and the overflow was a rare occurrence.

"This is the first one in as long as I can remember," he said.

"The only thing that can be done to avoid this kind of thing is to regularly maintain the sewers, which we do a great job of. We have a five-year plan where we check every manhole at least once every five years. We also regularly clean out all our sewer lines."

No one hurt in Haggerty carjacking

A man who implied he had a gun took a Cadillac from a woman at a Livonia gas station early Monday morning. No gun was seen and no one was hurt.

The carjacking occurred about 5 a.m. at the Amoco station at Six Mile and Haggerty, a police report said. The thief drove the 1995 Cadillac Seville east on Six Mile.

The victim, a 52-year-old Pontiac woman, told police she was filling her car with gas at one of the pumps when she saw the man approach. He demanded her keys, and she refused, she said.

The man said, "Give me the keys, bitch, or else," and reached into the jacket of his jogging suit, the woman told police. She stepped back and handed him the keys. The thief ordered the woman to get on the ground.

He was described as white, in his early 20s, 5-foot 5 and 140 pounds with a slender build, brown hair in a buzz cut and brown eyes. He was wearing a yellow jogging suit with a blue shirt underneath.

The victim said she had seen the man a few minutes before at the Farmer Jack across Haggerty in Northville Township. An employee there said the man had started to walk out of the store without paying for a cart of merchandise, but abandoned the cart when employees approached him.

The clerk at the Amoco station told police the man had asked her to call a cab for him just before the holdup. She was about to do so when he left the building, police said.

by Matt Jachman

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Fox Hills from page A1

Mily said one of the goals of Fox Hills has been to try to attract a diverse group of golfers, which is why each of the courses offers different levels of play. "We're unique, in that we have a complete course here. We can take care of everyone, from the beginner to the championship player," she said.

Mily and Aznavorian are most proud of the Strategic Fox, which opened in July. The 2,500-yard, shot-making course was designed for beginning golfers, particularly women and children, a market the sisters felt wasn't being tapped. Not only is the course easier, employees are available to give advice and teach beginners how to swing a golf club.

"We were constantly having people starting and quitting the game, because they were uncomfortable. Playing more difficult courses can be so intimidating for a new golfer. We wanted to create a course to allow people to come in and be comfortable, so

they would stick with the game. I think we were pretty successful," she said.

Fox Hills has also been at the forefront of a movement by golf courses to become more environment-friendly. The sisters have created numerous nesting areas for birds and 30-acres of prairie grass habitat around the property. As a result, Fox Hills was the third course in Michigan to receive status as an Audobon Sanctuary.

"They have been very pioneering in developing habitat areas and buffer zones around pond areas, which shows how devoted they are to environmental stewardship," Moore said.

"The natural areas are very important to us. We would definitely like to see other courses follow suit," Mily said.

In addition to being named Michigan course of the year, Fox Hills was also a finalist for national course of the year, although it didn't win the award.

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making smaller, more intricate displays as compared to some of the larger ones we've had in the past."

On the plus side, Farmer Jack is continuing its \$30,000 sponsorship of Fantasyland in The Gathering, Don Massey has contributed \$10,000, and Watts is still confident he'll get at least \$35,000 from downtown merchants.

"Many of the businesses wait to contribute until after the holiday shopping season," said Watts. "Luckily, most of them are seeing increases in sales, so we're hopeful they'll have money to spend on the ice festival."

Watts said he's currently in discussion with the Feld Company, which is producing Disney's Toy Story II on Ice at Joe Louis Arena.

"We're hoping for a cross-promotion in which we may carve

■ **'Many of the businesses wait to contribute until after the holiday shopping season.'**

*Mike Watts
—Watts Up, Inc*

some of their characters and promote their event in exchange for a sponsorship," he said. "That is still in the discussion stage."

Watts is still promising plenty of street carvings, large sculptures and ice carving competition for the Ice Spectacular.

"We're still going to have a nice event that's better than any in the country," he said. "It just won't be as much as we want."



STAFF PHOTO BY PAUL HIRSCHMANN
Apology accepted: An arbitrator this week ruled Plymouth-Canton School officials must apologize for forcing two gay teachers to take down displays, including this one at West Middle School, two years ago.

Display from page A1

"Naturally, we're disappointed with the decision, but we respect the arbitration process," said Ryan. "We're pleased the decision doesn't limit our ability to establish and direct the curriculum. We're reviewing the decision with our legal counsel, who will recommend a future course of action to Dr. Booher."

Ryan would not comment on a possible appeal of the arbitrator's decision, however, sources say the district is not likely to appeal.

"I feel I've been given back my freedom to create a safe environment in my classroom," said Salbenblatt. "I'm delighted with the decision. Although, I expected it because I knew we were in the right."

As for the apology, Salbenblatt can't wait to see it. "I'm looking forward to reading it," he said. "I'm glad Mr. Walcott is around to see the fallout from his decision."

Ironically, the showcase at West Middle School where Chummento had his display is currently empty. However, Chummento said he'll hold off on putting up another display for awhile.

"I'd like to put something up since we've missed three Octobers (Gay and Lesbian History Month)," he said. "However, I'm not sure when I might do so."

Chummento said he would accept a written apology from the district and would like to see one from school board members who were critical of the teachers.

Susan Davis, who was board president at the time, was critical of the displays in the school. Davis said she's pleased the issue has been resolved after two years, but still has some concerns.

"I don't believe schools are the right environment for lifestyle issues," she said. "Young people are very vulnerable, and teachers who work with kids need to be careful on how to treat that vulnerability."

Reward offered for stolen lights

A Plymouth man is hoping to find the grinch who stole his Christmas lights.

The resident, who wants to remain anonymous, is hoping a \$1,000 reward will help him find the thief who stole 75-feet of holiday roping, five strings of white lights, and several red bows from the fence outside his Park Place home Tuesday morning before dawn.

"I can't believe someone would want the roping so bad as to steal it," he said. "I don't want this to happen to anyone else."

Anyone with information leading to the conviction of those involved can contact Plymouth police at (734) 453-1234, ext. 208.

— Tony Brusca

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Rotary Club hosts breakfast with Santa

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Compassionate Friends stage candlelight vigil

The Compassionate Friends, Livonia Chapter sponsors the International Children's Memorial Day Candle Lighting ceremony Sunday, Dec. 9, in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. In conjunction with the World-Wide Candle Lighting with candles being lit at 7 p.m., there will be a ceremony held in Plymouth's Kellogg Park. As candles burn down in one time zone, they are lit in another, creating a 24-hour memorial. This will produce Lights of Love that will encircle the world. Recognized in communities around the world Dec. 9, International Children's Memorial Day is already officially sanctioned by the U.S. Congress, but it will appear in Kellogg Park in its most visible form. Hundreds of families will gather near a tree specially decorated with the names of children who have

died too soon. The holidays are especially difficult for parents who have lost children. This candle lighting ceremony honoring them helps their memory live on. The ceremony will include the candlelight vigil, a recitation of the children's names, poetry readings and songs. For questions or to register a child, call or e-mail Candle Lighting committee member Gail Lafferty (734) 981-4528 or e-mail angelagail@aol.com; Janet Johnson (734) 207-3370 or e-mail jmackermom@aol.com; or Virginia Herrick (734) 427-0915 or e-mail vherrick@twmarr.com. The Compassionate Friends is an international, nonprofit, non-denominational, self-help organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereaved families with the loss of their children.

Exhibit from page A1

"We're studying Michigan history, and I thought it would be a great experience for the kids to hear first-hand about the voyagers and the fur traders," said Burns. "It gave them a different experience rather than just reading about it or hearing a story." The nature trailer is one of three traveling exhibits that make the rounds of schools around the area. Between them, the three — fur trade, Great Lakes and Weather and Climate — hit about 100 schools, making 400-500 presentations to about 15,000 students a year. "The whole idea is to bring history alive, to talk about this era in our history, which was so important to Michigan and the region," George said. Farrand students filed in in four sessions Tuesday, getting a bird's eye view and a hands-on look at the role of the fur trade

in Michigan history. It's an outreach program designed to reach schools and students who wouldn't normally get to it. "The idea is to make this available to schools that otherwise couldn't come out," said Denise Mogos, public relations/information officer for the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority. "It's like a traveling field trip." And, according to their teacher, the Farrand students got a great experience. "It was good for them to see acting out how to trade, and how hard it was, especially in terms of communication," Burns said. "They explained how big some of the canoes were, they were like our big semis of today. I'm sure the kids never thought about things like taking the canoes out of the water because it was too shallow, so it was a great experience. The kids loved it."

Book shop hosts annual sale

Little Book Shoppe on the Park in downtown Plymouth holds its annual Holiday Open House for Book Club members from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. "A printer's error on our holiday catalog mistakenly listed the Open House hours as only 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.," said Chris Guy, one of the Little Book Shoppe's booksellers, "but the special storewide sale applies all day 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m." Book Club members receive 25 percent off their purchases during the open house, offering great savings on books, calendars, cards and toys. Little Book Shoppe has a great children's section and provides free gift wrapping. Book Club membership is free, and registration can be accepted at any time, including the day of the sale. The discount does not apply to newspapers, magazines or gift certificates. A new feature during the open house will be author signings throughout the day. From 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Kathy-Jo Wargin will sign her books, which are a series of Michigan myth and lore

for children and adults. Her titles include *The Legend of Mackinac Island*, *The Legend of Sleeping Bear*, *The Legend of the Loon*, and *The Legend of the Lady's Slipper*. From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., John Tocco will be signing copies of his book *Elfinbright*. Tocco's book is a children's story about two boys whose letter to Santa brings them a magical surprise. Local author Virginia Bailey Parker will be signing from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Her latest book is *The Water's Edge*, a fine example of historical fiction in colonial New England. She will also be signing copies of her previous title, *Ghost Stories and Other Tales from Canton*. "To go along with the popular books by J.K. Rowling, we also have Harry Potter calendars, coloring books, stickers, bookmarks, and journals," according to Joan Showalter, another bookseller at Little Book Shoppe. Little Book Shoppe is located at 380 S. Main Street across from Kellogg Park. Call (734) 455-5220 for more information.

American Legion Post offers college scholarship

Rosedale Park American Legion Post 390 offers a \$5,000 scholarship to a deserving area senior in the Class of 2002 who has a parent or grandparent currently serving or a veteran of the U.S. military. The student must carry at least a 3.2 grade point average and attend one of the following schools: Churchill, Franklin, Stevenson, Clarenceville, Catholic Central,

Farmington, Harrison, North Farmington, Ladywood, Northville, Plymouth-Canton, Salem, Plymouth Christian Academy, Redford Union and Thurston High. Applications will be available at the high schools. A committee of past commanders and a high school counselor will determine the winner through applications and interviews.

The post, which was founded in Detroit in 1946, is made up of members who served in World War II, Korean War and Vietnam. The members meet at 7:30 p.m. every third Thursday in the Knights of Columbus Hall on Farmington Road and all veterans are invited to join to promote peace, goodwill and a brighter future for children.

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OBITUARIES

WALDEMAR SIEWERT
 Services for Waldemar Siewert 76, of Plymouth were held Dec 4 at Schrader Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Robert Carman officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Memorial Park Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr Siewert was born Dec 18 1924 in Ukraina Russia and died Nov 28 in Plymouth. He was a butcher with the Hygrade Meat Products plant in Plymouth, retiring after 30 years. He was also employed for six years as a stock manager at Ford Motor Co.

He was the only one in his family to leave Germany and come to the United States in the early '20s to provide a better life for his family. He moved to Plymouth in 1970 from Detroit. He was a former member of the German-American Cultural Club, spoke four languages, loved horses and was an avid gardener. He and his wife, Pauline, would have celebrated 54 years of marriage Dec 26.

Survivors include wife, Pauline of Plymouth, daughters, Trudy Siewert-Bhaerman (Steve) of Santa Rosa, Calif., Rita H Vaughn (Dale Porter) of White Lake, son, Thom (Karen) Siewert of Myrtle Beach, S C grandchildren Samantha and Steven Siewert and sister, Herta (Adolf) Meier of Germany.

MILFRED EVA SMITH
 Services for Mildred Smith, 89, of Plymouth were held Dec 4 at St Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church in Toledo Ohio, with the Rev Gary Walters offi-

ciating. Burial was at Resurrection Cemetery in Toledo.

Mrs Smith was born Dec 30, 1911, in Grand Rapids and died Dec 1 in Livonia. She was a homemaker. She and her husband, Paul, had been married for 60 years. She came to the Plymouth community this year from Toledo. She was a member of St Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church since 1950. She was involved with the Mother's Club and the Altar Guild. She enjoyed camping, travel, grading sewing and reading.

Survivors include husband, Paul of Plymouth, children, Kathleen (Larry) Duggan of Northville, Richard (Margaret) Smith of Waterford, Paul F (Barbara) Smith of Toledo and David (Pamela) Smith of Toledo, 11 grandchildren, five great grandchildren, sister Katherine Martin of Jackson, and brothers, Arthur Stoddard and Gordon Stoddard of Grand Rapids.

Memorial contributions may be given to St Catherine of Sienna Catholic Church, 4555 N Haven, Toledo, OH 43612.

ROBERT JUDSON FITZGERALD
 Services for Robert Fitzgerald, 64, of Marion Township (formerly of Plymouth) were held Dec 6 at the Schrader Howell Funeral Home with Mr Kim Carlson officiating.

Mr Fitzgerald was born May 28 1937, in Indianapolis and died Dec 1 in Marion Township. He was a commercial lending manager for 38 years for Ford Motor Credit. He also worked for Ford Credit overseas. He

moved to the Howell community in 1999 from Plymouth, after living in Plymouth from 1976 to 1999. He enjoyed golfing and fishing. He loved his family and especially enjoyed his time with his grandchildren.

Survivors include wife, LaFrenda Fitzgerald of Marion Township, children, Bronwyn (Jeffery) Burrige of Stillwater, Minn., Shannon (Dominic) Nicita of Farmington Hills, Scott (Anne) Fitzgerald of Wixom, and Sean Fitzgerald of San Francisco, four grandchildren, and sister, Jane (David) Rebeck of Anderson, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Howell Nature Center, 1005 Triangle Lake Road, Howell, MI 48843 or the American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Road, Des Plaines, IL 60018.

OPAL G. CHARRON
 Services for Opal Charron, 78, of Canton were held Dec 6 at St John Neumann Catholic Church. Mrs Charron was born Nov 26, 1923, in Ecorse and died Dec 2 in Superior Township. She was an administrative assistant with Wayne County.

Survivors include husband, William J Charron son, William J (Joan) Charron Jr, son, David Kenneth Charron, sister, Violet Reeves, brother, Ken Edwards, niece Cheryl Edwards-Horgan, grandchildren, Julie and Laurie Dilley and Jason Charron, and great grandchildren Madeline and Max Dilley.

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be made to On My Own of MI 2145 Crooks Road Suite 103 Troy MI 48084.

HELEN LARUE JENKINS
 Services for Helen LaRue Jenkins, 93 of Plymouth were held Dec 6 at the Wood Kortright Funeral Home in Ravenna, Ohio with burial at Maple Grove Cemetery in Ravenna.

Mrs Jenkins was born June 25 1908 in Ravenna Ohio and died Dec 1 in Livonia. She was a homemaker. She had been married for 52 years. She came to the Plymouth community in 1987 from Ravenna. She was a lifetime member of the First Methodist Church of Ravenna. She loved to cross stitch and was a beautiful seamstress and enjoyed traveling with her husband.

Mrs Jenkins was preceded in death by her husband David Randall Jenkins.

Survivors include son, William (Carmaheta) Jenkins of Hamilton Ohio, daughter, Linda (James) Gasparott of Plymouth, eight grandchildren, and 10 great grandchildren.

GLENN T. KONEFKE
 Services for Glenn Konefke, 65, of Canton were held Dec 6 at St John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev George Charnley officiating.

Mr Konefke was born Aug 17 1936, in Detroit and died Dec 3 in Canton.

Survivors include wife Lynn Konefke of Canton, daughter Susan, sons, Keith, Clifford and Brian, five grandchildren and four nieces and nephews.

CHARLES JOHN HORKA
 Services for Charles Horka, 67 of Brighton were held Dec 6 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev David Howell officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mr Horka was born Nov 21, 1934 in Detroit and died Dec 3 in Brighton. He lived in Brighton for the past two years, previously in Livonia for 12 years. He was a member of St Mary Magdalen Roman Catholic Church in Brighton and formerly a member of St Colette Roman Catholic Church in Livonia.

He served in the United States Air Force and the Air National Guard of Michigan. He worked at Michigan Bell and AT&T for 38 years and nine years at Ford Motor Co, retiring in 1999. He loved music and participated in a six piece band called the Michigan Bell Soundations. He also loved baseball and played in several different leagues.

Survivors include wife Elzabeth Horka of Brighton, daughter, Patricia (Timothy) Allen of Livonia, daughter, Kathleen (William) Cox of Plymouth, son, John (Elizabeth) Horka of Westland, daughter Linda (Patrick) McKay of Livonia, son Jeffrey (Theresa) Horka of Plymouth, sister, Mary (James) Rachwal, 12 grandchildren, sisters in law Marilyn (Gerald) Friske and Patricia Nagle, and brother in law Roy Price.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 18505 W 12 Mile Southfield MI 48076 or Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor MI 48103.

JOSEPH A. SWENDERS
 Services for Joseph Swenders, 74 of Canton were held Dec 7 at L J Griffin Funeral Home with the Rev Joel K Brandt of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery.

Mr Swenders was born July 19 1927 in Detroit and died Dec 3 in Canton. He was a carpenter in floor construction.

Survivors include wife Phyllis daughter, Karen J (William) Pekar daughter Cynthia A (David) Leist, son Joseph A (Gloria), daughter Kay I Swenders, grandchildren Kendra (Wayne) LaPriseBethany Leist, Joseph A III and Brandon Leist and great granddaughter Olivia LaPrise.

MAMIE C. PERRY
 Services for Mamie Perry, 87, of South Lyon were held Nov 27 at St John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev Andrew

Webster officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

Mrs Perry was born Nov 22, 1914 in Italy and died Nov 24 in Livonia. She resided at Marywood Care Center in Livonia for six and a half years. She previously lived in Canton for eight years. She originally resided in Dearborn Heights. She was an active member and original founding member of St John Neumann Roman Catholic Church in Canton.

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Mr Perry was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Perry, and brother, Anthony Bartell.

Survivors include son, Richard Perry of Milford, son, Eugene (Marie) Perry of South Lyon, daughter, Virginia (Walter) Dimsa of West Bloomfield, son, Donald (Marie) Perry of Canton, brother, Joseph Edward Bartell of Florida, sister, Katherine Bossio of Georgia, sister, Stella Chimenti of Dearborn Heights, sister Jennie Marsalese of Redford, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

IRA A. (BUD) LEHMAN
 A memorial service for Ira A (Bud) Lehman, formerly of Livonia was held Nov 24 at The Lutheran Church by the Lake, with the Rev Walter Wist officiating.

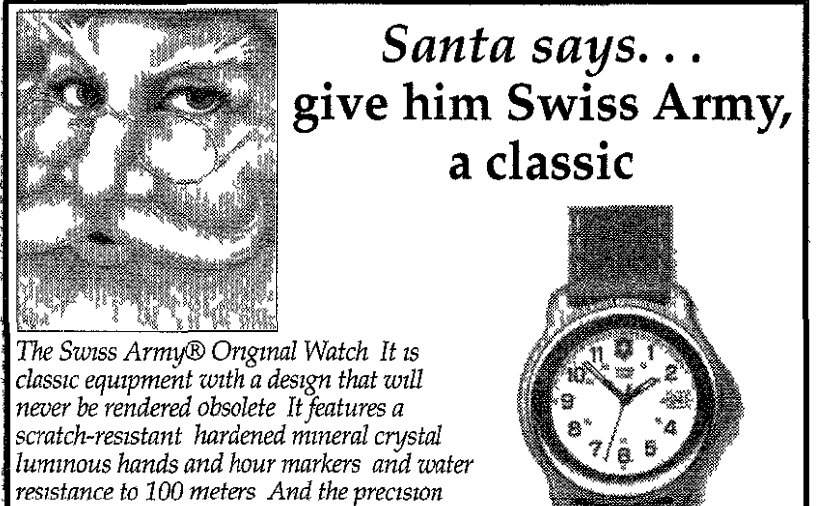
Mr Lehman was 78-years-old when he died Nov 21 at his residence in Savannah Lakes Village in McCormick, S C.

Mr Lehman was a native of Highland Park, but lived most of his life in Livonia before retiring to South Carolina.

He was a retired independent insurance agent. He was a member of Mariners' Church in Detroit, served as Past Master of Oriental Lodge No 240 F&AM in Detroit and Vestary of St Andrews Episcopal Church in Livonia, and charter president of the Lamplighter Lions Club in Livonia.

Mr Lehman is survived by his wife, Florine Ungermann, sons, Charles (Chuck) of Plymouth and Tom of Webster Grove, Mo, daughter-in-law, Brenda Lehman, and sister Nancy Campbell of Punta Gorda, Fla.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING 2001 DECEMBER BOARD OF REVIEW

The December Board of Review will convene on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2001 from 12:30 PM to 2:00 PM**.

The 2001 December Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will be held in the Conference Room 2nd Floor 201 S Main Street Plymouth MI 48170.

The Board will review only the following types of appeals: Homestead Exemptions, Hardship Appeals, Clerical Errors and Mutual Mistakes of Fact.

No appointments are necessary.

All appellants will be sent a letter by first class mail indicating the decision of the December Board of Review and a revised tax bill will be issued.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact (734) 453 1234 extension 244.

MARK R. CHRISTIANSEN
 City Assessor

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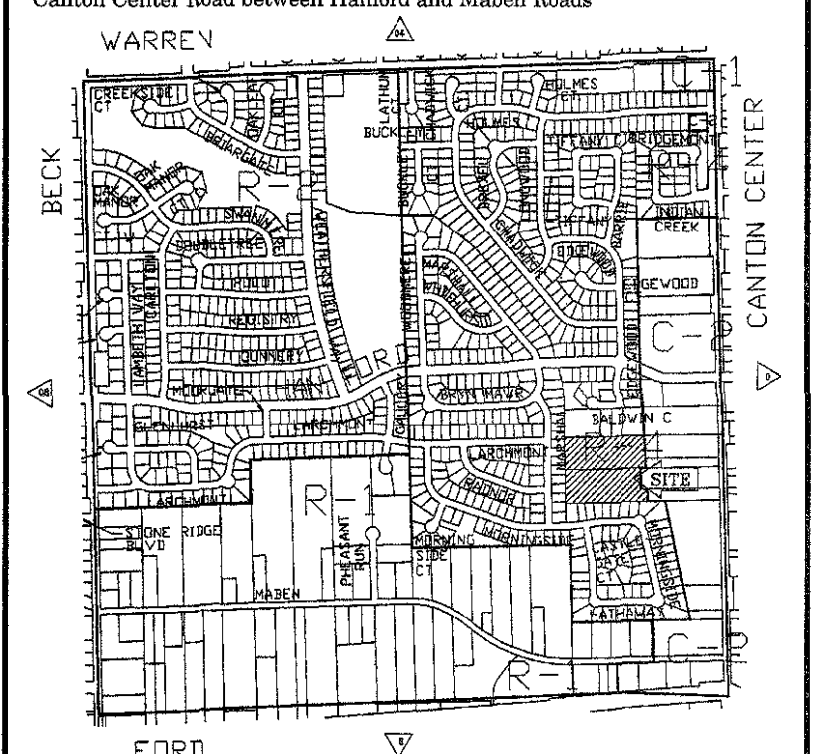
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 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 January 7 2002 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:

MOLINARI FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 4 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE) TO MEDIUM HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 8 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE) FOR PARCEL NO 036 99 0004 004 AND PART OF PARCEL NO 036 99 0005 002. Property is located on the west side of Canton Center Road between Hanford and Maben Roads.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday January 3 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley ADA Coordinator
 Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road
 Canton MI 48188
 (734) 397 5435

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA DECEMBER 13, 2001

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2001 at 7:30 P.M.** The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at **1150 S CANTON CENTER ROAD**. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag
 Roll Call Blaylock Cisek Demopoulos Johnson Redfern
 Acceptance of Agenda

1. Bob Pacocco Pama Investment & Contracting 1339 Goldsmith Plymouth MI 48170 is requesting a variance to Zoning Ordinance 2 24 A Wetlands Protection to allow construction of the detention pond with in the 25 ft wetland buffer and Zoning Ordinance 26 04 Requirements for Industrial District for a 6 ft variance to side yard setback and a 10 ft variance to front yard setback. This property is on the North side of Warren between Haggerty and Old Haggerty Parcel # 71 046 99 0003 714 (Planning)

Approval of November 08 2001 minutes)

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LEGAL NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH 2001 WINTER TAXES

Winter Taxes are due December 1 2001 and payable through February 14 2002 without penalty. Additional information appears on the reverse side of your tax statement. **MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH**. Payments can be made at the Township Hall during regular working hours Monday Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Treasurer's Office. Open Fridays December 7 14 21 and 28 until 5:00 p.m. After hours payments can be placed in 24 hr **WHITE DROP BOX** located in parking lot adjacent to Building #1 or **DROP BOX** adjacent to entry way Standard Federal Bank Plymouth Township Office's will also accept payment for your convenience through February 14 2002.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH TREASURER'S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED during the Christmas Holidays on Monday December 24th and Tuesday December 25th. The Treasurer's Office will be open to accept Tax Payments and Other Payments on Monday December 31st from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

RON EDWARDS
 Treasurer
 Charter Township of Plymouth

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Northville's Candlelight Walk
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Clarenceville schools ask state to revise cell phone, pager ban

BY MIKE MALOTT
HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE
mmalott@homecomm.net

Times have changed, and so has the perception of "personal communications devices."

Back in 1988, the state legislature banned them from school grounds because youthful drug dealers were using pagers as a way to arrange their illicit sales even while they were in class.

Today, cell phones have become "safety devices," according to Tom Tattan, superintendent of Clarenceville Schools.

"Parents are purchasing cell phones for these kids, so they can call from their after school activities like cheerleading, football practice or basketball practice and tell their parents to come pick them up," he said.

With the state law in effect — and especially since it was expanded in 1995 to include all electronic devices, which would also ban Palm Pilots and even calculators — educators have been put in a position of telling parents who want their children to carry such devices that they cannot, he explained.

"It just puts us in a position of fighting with our own customers," Tattan said.

He and Clarenceville school board member Gary Garrison went to state Rep. Laura Toy (R-Livonia) to ask for a revision in the law. Out of that request came House Bill 4991, sponsored

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by Rep. Wayne Kuipers (R-Holland), which would leave it up to the school board in each district to decide what the policy should be there.

"It's a matter of local control," said Toy. "Individual school boards should be able to make their own decisions."

Toy explained she combined efforts with Kuipers, who already had a similar change in the works.

Cell phones shouldn't be on during class time, Toy said, but there is no reason — if parents want their children to have such devices — that they should not be able to have phones after school. Nor should state law block students from being able to carry phones with them in their school packs.

"It's a different day now, a new century," said Kuipers. "It's now a high-tech era, and cell phones and pagers have become more

acceptable."

Some parents give their children these devices to keep track of them after school and for emergency reasons.

Tattan noted that school administrators in his district, like many others, are required to carry cell phones as part of the district's emergency preparedness plans. In recent school tragedies, some students have used cell phones to notify police of the situation.

And since the law gives the authority for setting policy to the local school board, those districts that still have a problem with drug dealing could still ban phone and pagers from school grounds if they want to, Tattan contended.

House Bill 4991 has already received a positive review from the House Education Committee and is now awaiting a vote of the full House.

Ford Estate hosts special holiday events

The Henry Ford Estate will host a number of festive activities during its 2001 Christmas program. The Estate is a National Historic Landmark on the campus of the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

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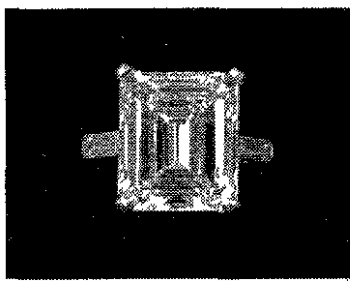
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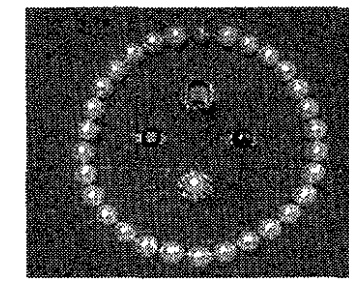
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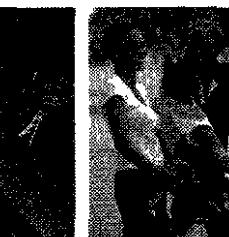
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Message of giving, hope bears repeating

We know we're beginning to sound like a broken record, but some messages are too important to be delivered just once or even twice

A scant 12 weeks ago, people across the nation emptied their pockets and piggy banks, charged their credit cards and even opened their veins to help people affected by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks put their lives back together. But today, right here in Plymouth and Plymouth Township, our neighbors still need our help.

The Salvation Army needs bell ringers. Might be a good idea to volunteer now, while the weather's still bearable. They're also partnering with the Observer to operate our annual Cheer Club, a drive to collect toys and non-perishable food for the Army's holiday basket program.

This past weekend, local Goodfellows collected money with their annual newspaper drive.

And that's just for starters. In the coming weeks, you'll no doubt be hit with requests for donations from every imaginable corner, because hard economic times hit hardest among those with the very least. Charitable organizations are losing donors who have been "downsized" and may now have to place demand on resources to which they once contributed.

Once again, we urge you to support

If you have nothing to spare materially, give of your time and talents. Offer to help make fund-raising phone calls, stamp envelopes, baby-sit a child whose mother or father can't afford daycare.

local organizations as best you can. If your checking account has run dry, scour your cupboards for canned or boxed foods, your closets for usable clothing, your toy chests for an extra teddy bear whose fur hasn't been loved off.

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Whether you celebrate Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Christmas or just being alive, this is the time of year when people need your help the most. As temperatures dip and winter sets in, it's time to gather around the fires of civility and compassion.

Because — for some people — a long, hard winter is headed this way.

Youngster shows holiday spirit

We extol the virtues of giving every holiday season, and it's heartwarming to see the lengths to which people go to ensure those less fortunate are afforded the opportunity for a happy holiday.

Zane Birchler took it one step further. The 10-year-old Plymouth lad had a birthday recently, and sent out invitations asking his friends to bring a gift that would be donated to charity. His friends did, and, earlier this week, Zane and dad John Birchler brought in several bags filled with toys for the Plymouth Observer/Salvation Army Cheer Club.

Zane and his friends — Ryan Lash,

Joe Posler, Jay Jacinski, Bill Scanlon, Jacob Burnstein, Grant Heidenreich, Evan Kelly, Dominic Bonnell, Jordan Emery, Matthew Rowley and Brendan Muir — went to the effort to make sure kids like them get a chance to have some of the same things they have.

In addition to the toys, Zane and the Gang gave those less fortunate — and the community as a whole — the best gift possible, especially at this time of year: Compassion.

If others emulate Zane, it can be a gift that keeps on giving.

Wayne County is a better place because of McNamara

Boss is often used as a pejorative in politics. From the days of New York's Boss Tweed, the idea of a political boss has been regarded with disdain by proper, reform-minded people.

But Boss has other connotations. It means the person that gets things done. The boss is the organizer who recognizes talent and knows how to encourage and use it. The boss is the one who can cut through needless red tape and get all parties together to zero in on what needs to be done. The boss is the person who understands that politics is about give and take, honorable compromises and mutual benefit.

Ed McNamara may be the last of a rare breed. When the Wayne County executive leaves office next year, he will have served 16 years in that position and 16 years as Livonia mayor. He will leave behind a rich legacy. He will be remembered as a consummate political boss who got things done.

The Observer Newspapers have always recognized McNamara's political skills. As Livonia mayor, he brought dynamic leadership, imagination and an ability to tap young political talent. He was instrumental in developing the city's two golf courses, Bicentennial Park, the Civic Center Library and City Hall. He also created an "Era of Good Feeling" by bringing together different factions.

In a story on Livonia's mayors, former Livonia treasurer Robert Bishop defined the McNamara style: "If he had a critic on a particular problem, he would engage him, make him part of the solution. He understood the vital role that business development plays in the city."

McNamara took his managerial skills to the difficult task of restoring fiscal integrity to county government. He straightened out the budget, developed new county programs, reorganized the SMART suburban bus system and negotiated the financing for the new stadiums in Detroit's Fox Center area.

He is a man who has inspired great loyalty and returned that loyalty. His



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Stepping down: The last of a rare breed, Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara announced last week he won't seek re-election.

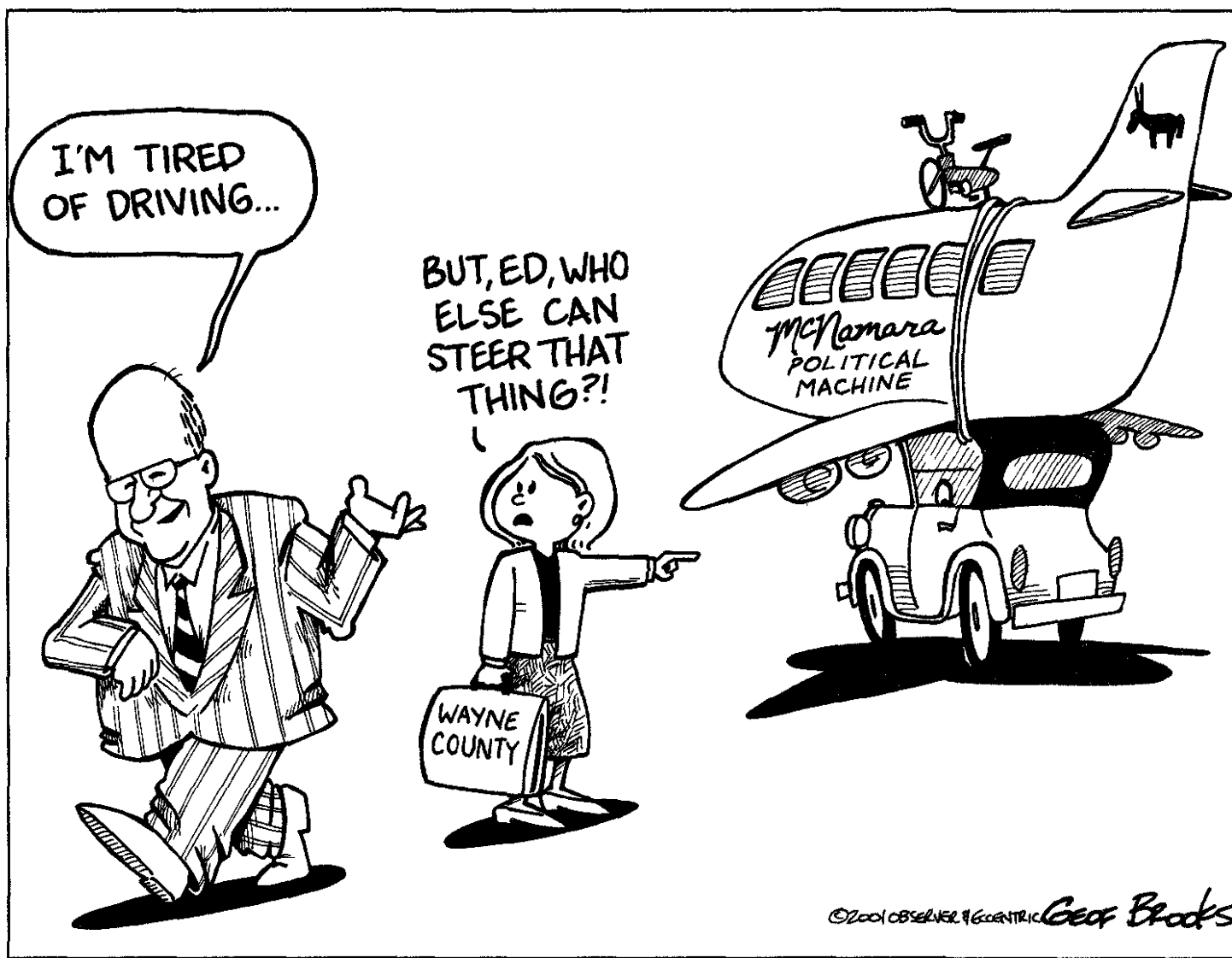
protégés, including Wayne County Prosecutor Michael Duggan and gubernatorial candidate Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, will continue to be leaders in the state for years to come.

McNamara's proudest achievement has also been his biggest headache. He has worked tirelessly to develop the Wayne County Detroit Metropolitan Airport. He has followed a vision that puts the airport at the center of development for Wayne County and Southeast Michigan.

His commendable hard work has been recognized by the county in naming the new Northwest Midway Terminal in his honor.

We have raised questions about airport operations and contracts. Though we question the motives of many of McNamara's critics, we believe they raise some legitimate questions that have not been answered sufficiently.

Still, in the end, we join Attorney General Granholm in her praise of The Boss, "Wayne County is a better place because of this man."



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LETTERS

Stacking the deck

I know you must inform the public about what the schools are doing, but have you read it? Nobody would sign their name to it, and I can see why.

Don't you screen your ads for truth? What are your standards? Shouldn't you be neutral? Objective? Don't editors have rules? Are there separate rules for schools? How does this promote freedom? Look at these stakeholder teams, do they come with any preconceived thoughts? Loaded, stacked teams? Can they come up with any answers that were not known before meetings? A causal logic would tell any rational person that there is no way.

Yes, I will put my name in. But I must ask will I be allowed to stack the deck, too? Can I phrase things that already have answer in question? Will you allow me the same? Will they?

Walter Kwiatkowski
Plymouth

Project Blue Light

As we begin to decorate our homes for the upcoming holiday season, I encourage all citizens to participate in "Project Blue Light" to show support for Law Enforcement. Display a blue light in the window or use strings of blue lights in other holiday decorations. "Project Blue Light" is a tribute to those who continue to work the streets of America and those who made the supreme sacrifice in service to their profession.

Police Officers are trained to deal with many dangerous situations and taught to expect the unexpected. Still, having to be on constant high alert since the terrorist attacks began on Sept. 11 can take its toll. Let us show the police that we know they are out there protecting us and that we do appreciate them.

Shine your blue light for law enforcement.

Ann M. DeGhetto
Westland

Metro fixes

I read with interest your Nov. 1 editorial, "County Commission Must Fix Airport Business Practices," about the investigation of Metro Airport's contracting practices. You raised several good points and I agree with your assessment that the state investigation seems based upon party politics rather than trying to improve airport services for patrons. Clearly, the only people that would benefit by a big government takeover of the airport would be the politicians in Lansing.

The article concluded by encouraging the Wayne County Commission to counter the state investigation with a thorough investigation of its own, and to put in place new standards for letting contracts. Let it be known that the Wayne County Commission has already taken these steps and that the state investigation is merely an after-effect of our efforts, not the other way around.

As a result of a Wayne County Commission audit of the old parking contract at the airport, several problems were found. The Commission took action immediately by firing the parking contractor, filing a lawsuit against them for possible overcharges and bringing in a new company to run the parking at the airport.

In addition to the past audits that

have been conducted, we have now permanently placed two full time auditors at the airport to continually audit and review business practices there. The Commission has also created a separate standing committee — the Committee on Airport Operations — that is solely responsible for overseeing airport contracts. And we have also adopted a new historic Comprehensive Procurement Ordinance which provides strict rules that all county departments, including the airport, must follow when letting a contract, including competitive, open and fair bidding practices and better oversight of change orders.

Therefore, the public should know that the questionable business practices discovered at the airport have been a direct result of the work of the Wayne County Commission. Since I took office less than three years ago, the Commission has made a number of changes to improve its oversight of the airport and the way that contracts are let.

Although the Commission may have delegated away much of its authority in the past, that is no longer the case. It has been progressively insistent that it has more control of county operations, and through its efforts, questionable practices have been, and are being, discovered and corrected countywide.

Let there be no mistake. The Wayne County Commission is firmly committed to improving operations at Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport and is steadily moving in that direction.

John J. Sullivan
Wayne County Commissioner

Does liberal = ignorant?

I just finished reading an article in the Observer about crosses that were put up in front of Our Lady of Good Counsel parish. And after reading that article, I was amazed. How could people be so liberal as to be ignorant? They are wondering why a Catholic church would dare put up this display against abortion.

Let's face the issue here — those who are complaining are pro-choice. Some of the people complaining are parish members. Well, I hate to put a label on people, but Catholics who are pro-choice are hypocrites, plain and simple. How can you claim to follow God's teaching and at the same time condone the killing of an innocent child?

Don't give me this bull about it being a "fetus" or whatever else you like to call it to help you sleep at night. It is a baby — flesh and blood, in every sense of the word. And now people are offended by the anti-abortion display. I can guarantee that murder is just a little more offensive than a sign you happen to disagree with.

And for those of you who think that OLCG is trying to shove its beliefs down your throat, you may be confused. It is a display. No one is holding a gun to your head forcing you to believe what they believe. When you see someone wearing a crucifix or a cross around their neck, are they trying to shove their beliefs down your throats? No, they are simply expressing their beliefs.

I think most of the disagreement roots from misunderstanding. Some people think abortion is not murder. Even someone who kills an "unborn

child" in an accident can be charged with homicide. Society's laws do not even coincide with each other. Some will put so much belief in one side that they forget what is right.

This is not a question of women's rights either, although so many people try to make it out to be. They think it is a violation of a woman's rights to make her give birth to her baby. So what about the rights of the little girl she would give birth to? Oh wait, that's right, it isn't a baby. It is only a baby if a woman wants it. If she does not want it, then it must be a ball of tissue, something, anything, other than a baby. Science can verify that the life inside a womb, is just that, LIFE — those who are living have the same rights as everyone else, no matter if they are outside or inside the womb.

I am also shocked by the fact people oppose the display because it was erected so close to Sept. 11. They felt it was in "very bad taste" to put the display up at this time. There is no denying what happened on Sept. 11 is a tragedy. It was not right for the thousands of people to die on that day and it is not right for thousands of babies to die each day.

I hope the people who disagree with the display, or who are offended by it, realize what they are saying. Is it hard to explain to your children? Good — not everything important is easy.

Nicole Zlonkevics
Plymouth

Truth is truth

The Observer reported on its front page that some people were offended by the sign placed on our Lady of Good Counsel property which read "Each cross represents two abortions. Every day 4,400 children die" ("Church raises eyebrows with anti-abortion display," Nov. 4).

No one apparently called, however, to deny this truth. When truth becomes offensive, rational people should realize something is ultimately wrong.

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Down-to-earth Ed McNamara evoked far-reaching vision

No, I wasn't surprised. He was 75 and had a quadruple bypass operation last year. And Lucille, his wife of 53 years, wanted him to slow down.

But it still was a jolt for me when Ed McNamara announced over the weekend he wasn't going to run for a fifth term as Wayne County Executive.

You see, I've known and admired Ed for virtually all his political career. Ed was already on the city council when I started my newspaper company in Livonia back in 1965. I wrote the editorial in the Livonia Observer in 1970 that endorsed him in his successful race for Livonia mayor against Harvey Moelke. As Livonia's mayor for 16 years, he helped

mold a city out of what had been a township. When he won the race for Wayne County Executive in 1986, I couldn't have been more pleased.

Most people don't remember — or don't want to — what Wayne County was like back in the '80s. Broke. Disorganized. Badly managed. Corrupt in large parts. An embarrassment to the entire state.

McNamara put Wayne County back together again. He fixed the budget mess, balancing the county's books for 13 straight years. He led the effort to rescue the Rouge River, once indistinguishable from a sewer, and he saved SMART, the suburban bus system, from collapse. He drove the negotiations that led to Comerica Park and Ford Field in downtown Detroit. And, of course, he was the prime mover in expanding and modernizing Detroit Metro Airport, with the new \$1.2 billion Midfield Terminal set to open next February.

These are magnificent achievements, a distinguished record for any politician. But as I reflect on his career, I'm drawn to two less obvious — but more important, in my view — parts of his legacy.

First, people. Possibly because they tend to think mostly about themselves, most political bosses never develop a farm team. McNamara recognized and promoted a group of able men and women who will lead Michigan for many years to come. He launched the careers of Wayne County

Prosecutor Mike Duggan, former U.S. Attorney Saul Green, Freeman Hendrix, who was Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer's deputy, Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, who could well become Michigan's first woman governor. He played a big role in the election of Kwame Kilpatrick as mayor of Detroit.

Some might call McNamara a kingmaker. I prefer to think of him as a very rare politician who recognized that one of the obligations of a good political boss is to find, recruit, motivate and protect a cadre of able people who can continue his work. McNamara had an eye for talent and, notable for a traditional and proudly Irish politician, he promoted a diverse team — white and black, male and female, urban and suburban.

Second, style. Unassuming. Never one to develop a cult of personality, McNamara could walk into the airport without being recognized by more than a handful. Practical. Having had a problem explained to him, his first question always was, "How do we get this done?"

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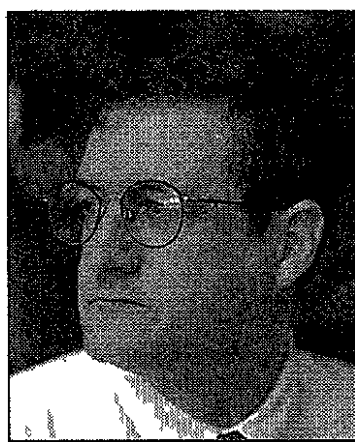
protecting his reputation, he never developed the bad habit of believing his own press releases.

In that context, I've always felt both Detroit newspapers were by and large unfair in their near-constant criticism of McNamara, especially over the airport. Certainly, it looks very much as though a lot of strangely lucrative contracts were let without much review. McNamara was never shy about raising money from people who stood to benefit from his administration. But I do suspect that a standard reflex in both Detroit daily newsrooms on a slow day was to see what kind of dirt could be dragged up on Ed McNamara.

Maybe ceaseless nitpicking just comes with the turf. Other than John Engler, Ed has been Michigan's most capable and powerful politician in recent memory. He created a machine, but the machine got done what needed to get done. He was a kingmaker, but his proteges have turned out to be extraordinarily able. He was down to earth, but his vision was far-reaching.

I'm sorry he won't be in office during the years to come. We'll need people like him.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net.



Hugh Gallagher

Tough times call for changes here at your Observer

Things are changing at *The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

Beginning Monday, we will be changing the way we're organized and how we produce our newspapers. These changes are in part a response to the recession, which has drastically reduced advertising income in newspapers throughout the state, including *The Observer & Eccentric*. For us, the tragic events of Sept. 11 only accelerated a revenue decline that started last August.

Like the Big Three auto companies and countless other Michigan businesses that have had to cut costs and lay off employees to maintain their economic health, we are obliged to reduce our work force.

Basically, there are two ways to do this. The bad way is simply to just cut numbers of staff. The better way is to carefully examine how the work can be better organized and what new processes can be put in place to improve productivity and at the same time maintain quality.

We've chosen the latter route. "We have been working with consultants and our editorial department managers to fashion a business model that allows us to improve quality and service to our readers while maintaining our economic health," according to Susan Rosiek, publisher of the *Observer Newspapers*. "Most of these changes will be invisible to our readers. But they will help us get through these difficult times and prepare us to ride with the economy when it improves."

The changes include:
 ■ Page design and layout will be in the hands of a Presentation Editor.
 ■ The task of paginating our editorial copy on computers will be performed by skilled paginators.

As a result, reporters and photographers will have more time to spend in the local community covering the news.

■ Freed of production responsibilities, Community Editors will have more time to spend in editorial planning, story assignment and being out and about in the community.

We will continue to publish the number of newspapers we have in the past, but in some

cases a single editor will be responsible for two newspapers. Dave Varga will be the editor of our Livonia and Redford Observers, Julie Brown will be the editor of our Garden City and Westland Observers, Brad Kadrich will continue as Plymouth editor, Tedd Schneider as Canton editor and Joni Hubred as Farmington editor. Sue Mason will be our new presentation editor.

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In some cases, the individual Community Editors, reporters and photographers you have come to know through their bylines and coverage of community events will be changed. We will be working hard to make sure our readers and advertisers know whom to contact and how to do so.

For years, we have prided ourselves on producing the best community newspapers in the country. Although reducing our work force is painful, we believe in the long run the steps we are taking now will enable us better to fulfill our commitment to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the communities we serve and contribute to the business success of our advertisers.

As always, we welcome your comments and observations.

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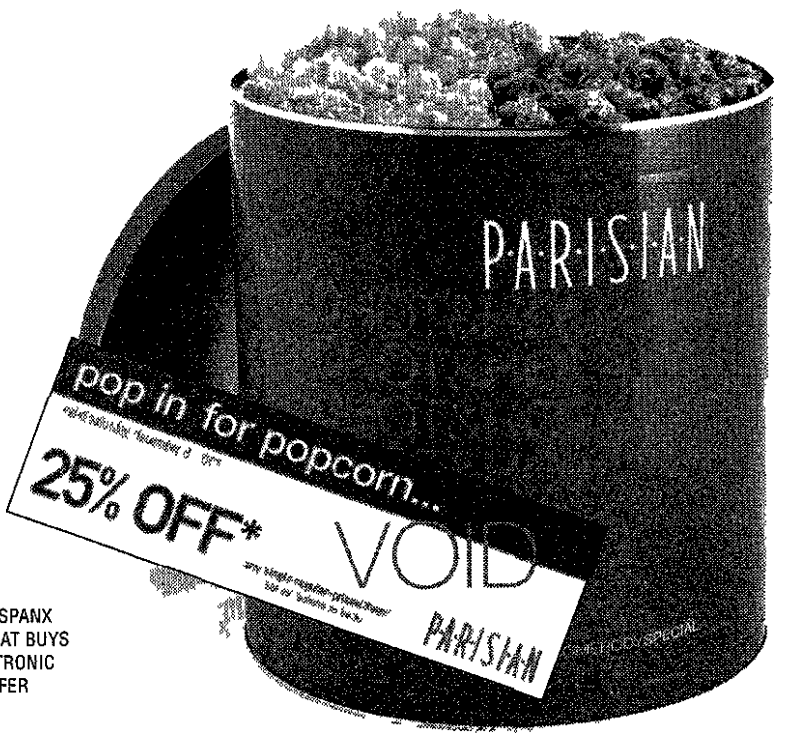
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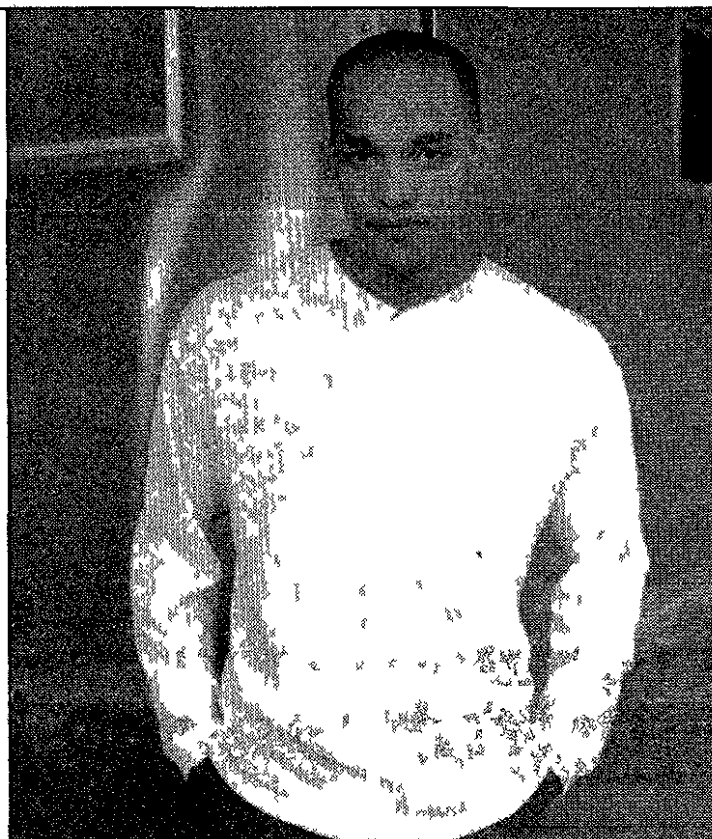


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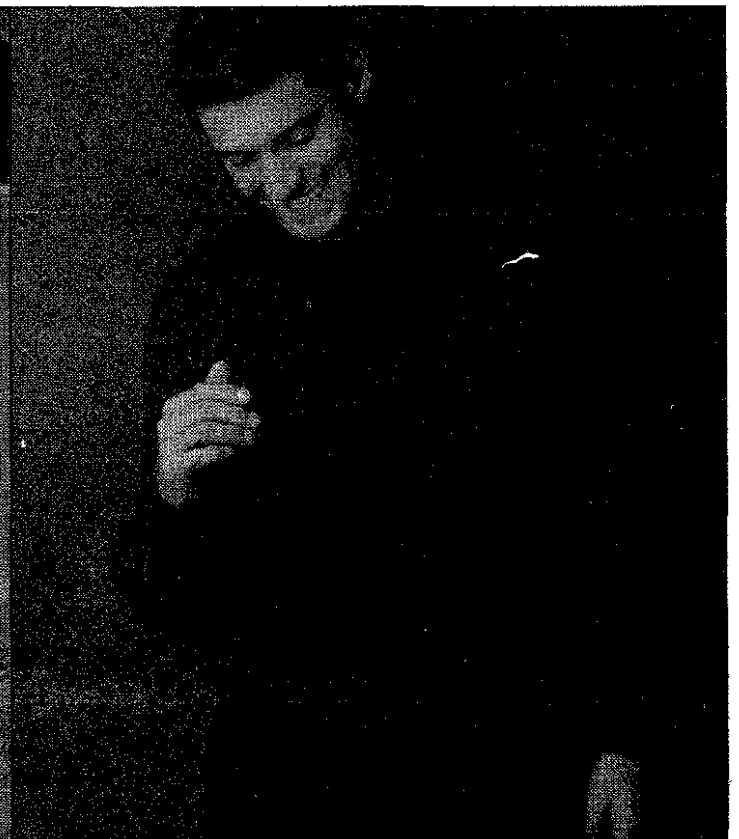
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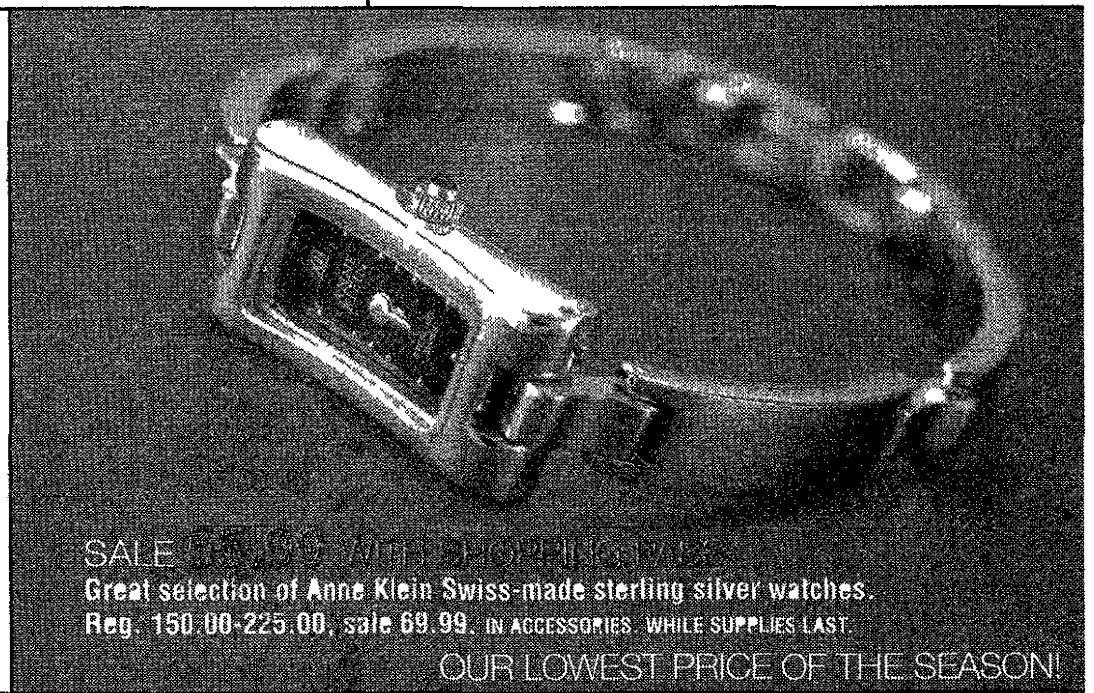
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MUSIC



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'Stuart Little' star shines brightly

BY LAURIE HUMPHREY
SPECIAL WRITER

In the tail end of a 6 week run Heather Poppof has celebrated several firsts in her role as *Stuart Little* in the Paper Bag Productions performance

Poppof, of Canton Township leads cast members in a 90 minute production about a mouse taken in by a human family. Weekly performances began Sunday, Nov. 4

This is her first run as lead performer. Perhaps more memorable, however is the fact that Poppof's debut coincided with her 10th birthday.

"Her whole family was in the audience," said Christine Poppof, Heather's mom.

Despite 21 sets of familiar eyes the younger Poppof insists she was not nervous when she took the stage that first Sunday last month. She focuses on the character rather than the faces in the audience.

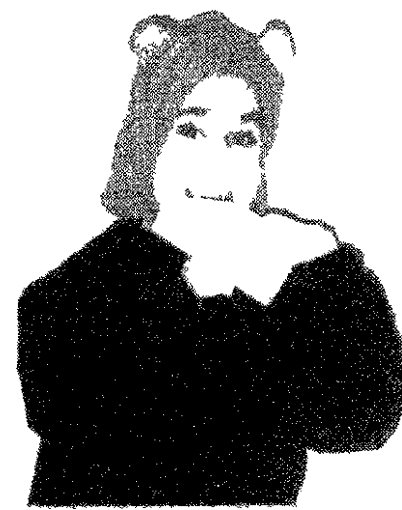
"She told me I'm not up there to impress the people. I'm up there to play the character," said Christine, who admits her daughter has more self-confidence than most girls her age.

Poppof's performing career began at age 2 in the form of dance. She started with tap and ballet but has since added to her repertoire.

"I also do Cecchetti (an advanced form of ballet), jazz and Pointe (a form of ballet where they spend most of their time on the toes of the ballet slippers)," she said.

Aside from her dance schedule and acting, she plays on the Canton Select soccer team, oversees school activities as Bentley Elementary's school president and sings in her church choir. In addition, she maintains a high academic standard.

"I know homework comes first



Heather Poppof

she responded when asked how she keeps her grades up.

Standing a mere 4 foot, 1 inch (the fifth grader is much smaller than the rest of the Sunday performers), it is important to note that Saturday performances of *Stuart Little* involve a different cast. Yet she insists she is not intimidated by her taller and older cast mates.

"They have been nice to me," she said.

When asked what has been the most challenging part of this performance, she did not say remembering 86 pages worth of lines or singing eight of the nine songs in the show. Instead, she pointed to the props.

"Remembering which ones to bring out at the right time," she answered.

Considering Poppof's young age, it is not unreasonable that she does not yet know where she will attend college, but she is certain about a career path. She wants to sing and dance. She is already working on her next role.

I was asked to play the Grinch



Singing and dancing. All dressed up as *Stuart Little*, Canton Township's Heather Poppof took the title role at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford last month for her most challenging performance yet. Just 10 years old, she's off to a promising start in theater.

In *The Grinch Who Stole Christmas*, she said "We started practicing (two) weeks ago."

Stuart Little is in final performances at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford, 15138 Beech Daly, across the street from Redford.

Township Hall Admission is \$8.50, but includes a paper bag lunch served by the performers. Show times are 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9. Lunch begins one hour prior to show time on both days. Call (810) 344-7774 for more information or to make reservations.

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THEATER

The Farmington Players lash out with Habeas Corpus

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BY BOB WEIBEL
SPECIAL WRITER

From the title of the Farmington Players current production, *Habeas Corpus*, you might think you're in for a stirring legal battle involving a missing body. In fact, the play is a hilarious British sex farce by Alan Bennett.

Though the fast pace is a bit flat at times — perhaps a smaller

acting area would help — we are always aware of the body down stage center. Not just one body, but the human body, and not always beautiful. Trapped inside is the mind trying to cope with repressed desires while coping with external social rules.

Bawdy material of this type made *Benny Hill* a hit on TV. Director Vicki Grulke and the Players have great fun creating lusty, ribald characters with uniformly good British accents. They're full of earthy passion while maintaining an exterior coolness of "please don't touch me." It's what you might call the Victorian Age meets the permissive society.

The Wicksteed family headed

'Bawdy material of this type made Benny Hill a hit on TV.'

by Dr. Wicksteed (Jim Snideman) is not ready for the change. The good doctor, at middle age, has tired of his wife. He is, of course, professional while examining his female patients, but he enjoys the pleasures of the flesh as a man. Snideman couplets to the audience, as in "he whose lusts last, lasts longest."

Linda Killewald is terrific as his drab seemingly menopausal wife awaiting a man, any man, to bring to her to bloom again.

Kevin Potocsky is very good as their sickly son, with just three

months to live (breast palsy). He wants a woman before it's all over, but he doesn't know how to proceed. Fortunately, aimless Felicity Rumpers (Rita Montpetit) solves his problem (and hers). She is already pregnant. Montpetit is delightful as a woman caught in a romantic triangle. She has also agreed to meet Dr. Wicksteed for a little whoopee.

Ellen Akins plays the weirdest Wicksteed of all. Constance She is 33, unmarried and unendowed. Akins is an orgy of laughs as she wipes off

any area of her body touched by an unwanted sutor. And what a riot as she exercises to pump up her chest, orders an appliance to supplement the condition and is wowed by the attention men give her.

John Yono plays the local vicar, Canon Throbbing, who lusts after her even before her falsies but then he has a thing about looking up skirts. Events become really hectic when the appliance company sends a man to fit them properly.

Dave McCabe is a howl as the false fitter who mistakenly checks out Mrs. Wicksteed. She loves the attention, chases after him and strips him of his pants. Meanwhile, Sir Percy Shorter

(Thomas Adams) arrives to further confuse the offense at reference to his "small" physical condition. Brett Mmek is fun as a man attempting suicide. Emily McSweeney is splendid as the all-knowing cleaning lady who provides insights about the household. Cynthia Tupper, as Lady Bumpers, is the epitome of upper-class snobbery, arrogance and Victorian attitudes.

After learning of what's been going on she says "I'm not surprised, sex sex sex, well I'm not having any of it." Of course, she has, which we don't learn about until the delicious ending of this comedy of errors, infidelities, permissiveness and questionable ethics.

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STREET SCENE

American Mars spaces out with release of new CD, 'No City Fun'



STEPHANIE A. CASOLA

American Mars first caught my eyes — and ears — as I ran into Toronto's Cameron House only to catch the final moments of the band's set at the 2000 North by Northeast Music Showcase. Gasping and out of breath, I stood in disbelief as the band walked off stage.

Since the day I first heard that last note, I'd been waiting for something tangible, music I could take with me. This month, the wait is over. American Mars unveils *No City Fun*, Friday, Dec 15, with a party at the Magic Stick in Detroit.

Beginning with an ending

The story of American Mars began in 1995 with singer-songwriter Thomas Trimble, a Dearborn resident with a penchant for writing picturesque lyrics and conjuring bewitching sounds. Two years later, the band released its debut, *Late*, produced by David Feeny at his own Tempermill Studio in Ferndale.

Feeny didn't know then that he'd become a member of American Mars two years later.

Trimble and the original line up toured following the release of *Late*, after which, he said, "all hell broke loose." Band members began leaving but Trimble never quit writing. He wasn't ready to give up.

In 1999, the band was invited to perform at North by Northeast music showcase, so Trimble had to break the news. "There is no American Mars, but I'd love to come play." He solidified a shiny new line up — including Feeny on pedal steel guitar for the first time — and headed North.

Composing some strange brew of americana-space-rock, American Mars was reborn. Sparse drums and pedal steel guitar rounded out the new sound. Soon, Trimble and Feeny started working on material and recording what would become *No City Fun*.

They brought in friends like Karla Richardson, a former American Mars bandmember, drummer of The Volebeats Scott Michalski, Patrick Pantone and Jim Johnson of the Come-Ons, and drummer Mike Popovich and bassist Garth Girard — who tour with American Mars.

Signatures in time

For Trimble, the record represents two distinct time periods. "The first batch I wrote pretty much after American Mars broke up," he said. He wrote those very personal songs never knowing if they would see the light of the stage.

"I was disappointed that it fell apart," he said. The title song echoes that sense of hopelessness. Others, like the subtle *Dirty Weather* or *Over the Gun*, combine fragility with uneasy beauty so characteristic of American Mars.

"The second batch Dave and I wrote together," Trimble continued. The newer songs possess



David Feeny and Thomas Trimble of American Mars

more of a pop edge, toned-down and melancholic. Gems like *Loneliness Is Murder* and *If Monday Were Mine* came from that collaboration. "I was writing words for a group again," explained Trimble. He also became a father around the same time.

"That explains some of the delay," he adds with a laugh.

American Mars songs share a common thread. They deal with real experiences, real life. The words ring true of family, of loss and loneliness. "I like talking about embarrassing things," said Trimble. "This idea of writing a pop song about a nursing home, that kind of thing."

It comes down to the simple details. Now completed, the music accomplishes what Trimble has said he set out to do — make a record that sounds "more like our lives, than our radios."

The band's style isn't easily complemented by other area bands. "There is no cohesive scene," noted Feeny.

"For the kind of stuff we do it's not a good market," Trimble added.

Still American Mars has garnered support from radio stations like WDET and CJAM. Headlined shows locally at the Gold Dollar and Woodward Avenue Brewers and opened for 16 Horsepower. "We certainly have our guardian angels," Trimble said.

He's not sure what's kept him going. I believe I was seduced by the sounds of rock 'n roll," said Trimble with a sly smile. "It has led me down a foolish path."

American Mars isn't meant to be a rock star vehicle. It is simply a group of musicians dedicated to creating something meaningful. Whether it's for themselves or the masses doesn't seem to matter.

Join American Mars with opener Judah Johnson, 9 p.m. Saturday, Dec 15, *Magic Stick Detroit Tickets \$7 for this 18 and older show. Call (313) 833-9700* For more information, visit the Web site at www.americanmars.com

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American Mars

Thomas Trimble
singer/songwriter
Musical background: Though his father played guitar, it took several tries at the instrument before he would stick to it. He'd sooner be found strumming away on a broom in his basement to the sounds of *Kiss Alive II* before he played the real thing.
In his CD player: Bob Dylan, The Dirty Three, Lucinda Williams

David Feeny
musician/producer

Musical background: "There was no music around our house," he said. "We didn't have a radio." It all started when he heard The Carpenters through a set of earphones on his dad's new 8 track player. Feeny received his first guitar through a mail order catalogue from Montgomery Ward at age 14. "I wanted to play bass, because I thought it would be easier, but my friend had already bought the bass." Like Trimble, Feeny traces his early guitar days back to a time when he'd play Queen's *Bohemian Rhapsody* on a tennis racket.

In his CD player: Aphex Twin, Yo La Tengo, PJ Harvey

MOVIES

'Black Knight' takes slapstick comedy back in time

BY DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Cate-pult Martin Lawrence back in time six centuries or so to the age of knights

POOF!
A ready-to-serve comedy about a bad boy street jester going medieval

Like Huck Finn, we've been there before, namely in Huck creator Mark Twain's *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*

Twain's book, while funny and somewhat slapstick, was a rather dark satire on class distinctions, economics and the dangers of technology, with a tragic love story to boot

Lawrence's *Black Knight* sticks to slapstick, and reasonably often, to passable humor Fans of his goofy physical comedy and wisenheimer attitude will eat this movie up Lawrence is

mouthy, klutzy, randy and rude, but his character's sweet and decent at heart

Black Knight will prove a bit grating for the Lawrence-intolerant, however His bleeps and moans and exclamations during morning grooming rituals grow tiresome about 30 seconds into the film, though Lawrence thankfully tones down the articulate noises after that

Lawrence plays Jamal Walker, an indifferent employee of Medieval World, a run-down theme park in Los Angeles Assigned to clean the moat, Jamal topples in while reaching for what appears to be a valuable pendant in the water

He pops out in a lake in Britain in the 14th century The film doesn't bother explaining how Jamal got there, but that's not necessarily a drawback, Twain never spelled out how a conk on the head sent his 19th century Yankee back to Camelot,

■ 'Lawrence plays Jamal Walker, an indifferent employee of Medieval World, a run-down theme park in Los Angeles.'

either

Jamal encounters Sir Knolte (Tom Wilkinson), a knight fallen on hard times who's so scruffy and stinky our hero mistakes him for a homeless man, suggesting he dress up his woodsy quarters with cheap furniture from Ikea

"You'll be styling," Jamal tells the baffled Knolte

Soon after, Jamal enters the court of bad King Leo (Kevin Conway), who has usurped the queen's throne with help from his vile henchman, Percival (Vincent Regan) Enchanted by the royal maiden Victoria (Marsha Thomason), Jamal gradually is drawn into a revolt against the king, teaching Knolte and other

rebels modern street fighting, boxing and football moves

Director Gil Junger's tight pacing rescues the movie from tumbling into bogs of boredom Just as *Black Knight* grows sleepy, Junger and Lawrence kick it back up a notch with a cute sight gag here or an amusing play on King's English vs 'hood lingo there

A highlight Jamal instructing royal musicians on how to get down to riffs and refrains from *Mustang Sally* and *Dance to the Music* It's far too reminiscent of this year's rock 'n' roll Middle Ages adventure *A Knight's Tale*, but hey, it's funny

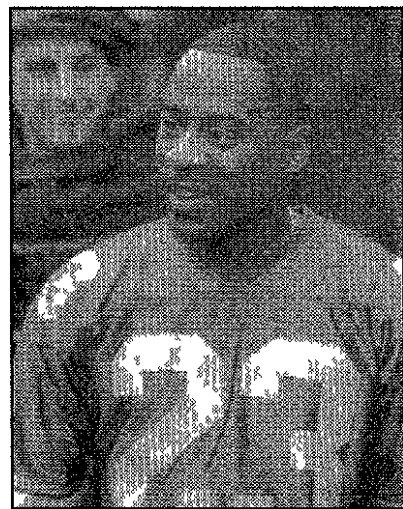
The screenplay credited to Darryl J Quarles, Peter Gaulke

and Gerry Swallow is merry enough, with some sexual hyinks and innuendo that border on clever

Lawrence's co stars pretty much wind up in serfdom, though with little to do but serve the setups for the star's one-liners

That's too bad for Wilkinson's noble Sir Knolte For a demonstration of how fine an actor Wilkinson is, check out his remarkable performance opposite Sissy Spacek in *In the Bedroom*, open in limited release

A 20th Century Fox release, *Black Knight* runs 96 minutes



Martin Lawrence



Remake:
Oceans 11 stars Brad Pitt and George Clooney, and opens Friday

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday Dec 7

OCEANS 11
A gangster by the name of Danny Ocean rounds up a gang of associates to stage heists of three major Las Vegas casino s (Bellagio The Mirage and Treasure Island) simultaneously during a popular boxing event Stars George Clooney Matt Damon Andy Garcia Brad Pitt Julia Roberts Casey Affleck Scott Caan Don Cheadle Elliott Gould and Eddie Jemison

NO MAN'S LAND
Billed as a satirical tale the story tells of two enemy soldiers Ciki and Nino who find themselves stranded in No Man's Land during the 1993 Bosnia conflict As Ciki and Nino try to figure out a way out of their bizarre predicament a UN sergeant goes to help them despite being ordered not to intervene and the world's press follow turning the incident into an international news story In a tense stand-off between the many sides involved in the conflict Nino and Ciki desperately try to negotiate for their lives amidst the insanity of war

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DETROIT REPERTORY THEATRE: *Missizy and the Angel Tree* continues to Dec 30 8 30 p m, Thursdays and Fridays 3 and 8 30 p m Saturdays and 2 and 7 30 p m, Sundays at the theater, 13103 Woodrow Wilson Detroit \$15 (313) 868-1347

GEM THEATRE: *Dinner with Friends* continues 2 p m Wednesday 8 p m Wednesday Friday 6 p m and 9 p m Saturday 2 p m and 6 p m Sunday at the theater Detroit \$27 50-\$37 50 (313) 963-9800

JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE: *Talley's Folly* continues to Dec 30 Dec 6 9 12 16 19 23 and 26-30 7 30 p m Wednesday Thursday and Sunday 8 p m Saturday and 2 p m Sunday and Wednesday Dec 19 No evening performance Dec 19 \$16 \$28 (248) 788-2900

MEADOW BROOK THEATRE: *A Christmas Carol* continues to Sunday Dec 23 at the theater on the campus of Oakland University Rochester \$28 \$40 Ol Ebenezer Scrooge asks audiences to learn from his lessons and bring non-perishable food donations to the theater during the run of *A Christmas Carol* (248) 377 3300

COMMUNITY THEATER

AVON PLAYERS: *The 1940s Radio Hour* a nostalgic musical by Walton Jones, Dec 7 9 14-16 and 21 22 8 p m Friday Saturday, 2 p m Sunday \$13 (248) 608-9077

FAMILY THEATRE OF NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY: Present the musical drama *Ebenezer* based on Charles Dickens *A Christmas Carol* 7 p m Thursday Saturday Dec 6-8 and 3 p m Saturday Sunday Dec 8-9 at Northville Christian 41355 Six Mile one mile west of I 275 \$5, children under age 5 free (248) 348-9030

FARMINGTON PLAYERS: The British farce *Habeas Corpus* 8 p m Thursday-Saturday, Dec 6-8, West Bloomfield Civic Theater inside Barnes & Noble Bookshelves, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, between 14 and 15 Mile Note Due to sexual innuendo not recommended for children under age 12. \$13 (248) 219-0800

DINNER THEATER

ANGEL FOOD CAFE: *The Great Ypsilanti Train Robbery of 1916 An Evening of Historical License* 5 15 p m and 8 15 p m Friday, Dec 7, at the restaurant, 6 West Michigan Avenue, Ypsilanti \$39 95 and include a gourmet 3-course dinner Advance ticket purchase and meal selection required (734) 483-0185

COLLEGE THEATER

EMU THEATRE: *The Glass Menagerie* Dec 6-8 8 p m Thursday Saturday Dec 6-8, in Quirk Theatre Ypsilanti \$8 Thursday \$13 Friday Saturday \$11 Sunday (734) 487 1221

HILBERRY THEATRE: The comedy *Season's Greeting* continues in rotating repertory to Feb 2, *A Doll's House* continues in rotating repertory through Dec 15 at the theater, Detroit \$12 \$20 (313) 577 2972

WSU THEATRE COMPANY: *The Sky of the Blind Pig* 8 p m Thursday Saturday Dec 6-8 at the theater downstairs at the Hilberry Theatre Cass and Hancock Detroit \$6-\$8 (313) 577 2972

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

DETROIT PUPPET THEATRE: *Cinderella* a marionette ballet version of the popular story 2 p m Saturdays in December at the theater Detroit \$7 \$5 children (313) 961 7771

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Spirit of the season: *The Nutcracker* is as much a part of holiday tradition as visiting Santa Claus. In a local performance of the classic show, Megan DeShong (left) portrays Clara for the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and Dearborn Ballet Theatre production. DeShong previously danced the role for three years with the Rockettes at Detroit's Fisher Theatre.

MICHIGAN THEATER: *Goodnight Opus* brings the whimsical penguin to the stage performed by The Mermaid Theatre Company of Nova Scotia 1 30 p m Sunday, Dec 9 at the theater Ann Arbor \$10 (734) 763 TKTS or (734) 668 8397 ext 30

NOVI THEATRES: *A Christmas Carol* Friday Sunday, Dec 7 9 at the Novi Middle School Theatre 11 mile and Wixom Road \$8 advance, \$10 at door (248) 347 0400

PAPER BAG PRODUCTIONS: *Stuart Little* Saturday Sunday Dec 8-9 Saturdays lunch at noon show at 1 p m Sundays lunch at 1 p m show at 2 p m at the Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford, 15138 Beech Daly Redford \$8 50 includes lunch (810) 344-7774

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE WIND ENSEMBLE: Presents its winter concert 7 30 p m Sunday Dec 9 program includes a selection by Russian composer Dimitri Shostakovich and American Alfred Reed's Russian Christmas Music in the community room of the Radcliff Center 17512 Radcliff Street Garden City No charge (734) 462 4417

SPECIAL EVENTS

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY BAND: Perform holiday and classic band music 3 p m Sunday, Dec 9 at Harrison High School Auditorium Farmington Hills Free will offering to support the band (734) 261 2202 or visit the Web site at www.fcband.org

IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE: Theatrical presentation of an old time radio broadcast, 2 p m Saturday Sunday Dec 8-9 15 16 Second City Theatre Detroit \$8 \$12 (248) 645 6666

MADRIGAL CELEBRATION: Schoolcraft College holds its annual Madrigal Dinners 7 30 p m Friday Saturday Dec 7 8 the evening ends with performances by the Schoolcraft College Madrigal Singers directed by Jerry Custer, and the court jester Good Neighbors All provides music on period instruments in the Waterman Center on campus 18600 Haggerty, between Six and Seven Mile roads Livonia \$42 and include a dinner of mulled cider aged and seasoned prime rib Yorkshire pudding and royal plum and cranberry pudding with brandied hard sauce prepared by students in the college's culinary arts department Seating is limited (734) 462-4670

RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR: Starring the Rockettes times vary continues through Saturday Dec 29 Fox Theatre Detroit \$15 \$57 50 (313) 471 6611

REDFORD THEATRE: Organist Jelani Eddington and pianist David Harris perform 8 p m Saturday Dec 8 (\$10) *Miracle on 34th Street* Friday Saturday Dec 14 15 with guest organist Lance Luce and Detroit 300 film slides 8 p m Friday and 2 p m and 8 p m Saturday organ overtures begin 30 minutes earlier at the theater 17360 Lahser Road at Grand River Redford \$3 (313) 534-1954

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS AND STRINGS: Holiday Brass concert 7 30 p m Tuesday Dec 11 at the Costick Center 28600 West 11 Mile east of Middlebelt Farmington Hills \$15 \$12 seniors \$10 students (248) 473 1857

BENEFITS

ANN ARBOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Presents its annual Sing a long with Santa benefit 4 p m Saturday Dec 8 at Bethlehem United Church of Christ Ann Arbor \$10 \$5 children \$25 families, \$50 patrons (734) 994-4801

Fantasyland: *WSU's Bonstelle Theatre presents Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream, opening 8 p.m. Friday, Dec 7 Tickets \$8-\$10, call (313) 577-2960*



DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA DESIGNER SHOWHOUSE: The French manor home continues on display through Dec 9 in Bloomfield Hills hours are 10 a m to 4 p m daily except Nov 22 Last tour of the day starts at 3 p m \$20 at door \$18 advance (313) 576 5154 or (313) 576 5155

CLASSICAL

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY OF DETROIT: Presents pianist Daniel Barenboim 8 p m Monday Dec 10 Orchestra Hall 3711 Woodward, Detroit \$27 \$76 \$16 students (248) 737 9980

KIROV ORCHESTRA OF THE MARIINSKY THEATRE: 8 p m Wednesday Dec 5 at Hill Auditorium Ann Arbor \$16 \$50 (734) 764 2538

LES ARTS FLORISSANTS: Present Christmas Music of Marc Antoine Charpentier (1643 1704) 8 p m Thursday Dec 13 at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Ann Arbor \$35 \$40 (734) 764-2358

REDFORD CIVIC SYMPHONY: Opens its season with a holiday concert 3 p m Sunday Dec 9 program includes Christmas carols and patriotic songs such as *Star Spangled Banner* and *God Bless America* in Our Lady of Loretto Church on Six Mile east of Beech Daly Redford No charge (313) 538 1652

OPERA

CONLEN PRODUCTIONS: Present Gian Carlo Menotti's Amahl and the Night Visitors 4 p m Sunday Dec 9 at Starr Presbyterian Church 1717 West 13 Mile Royal Oak (tickets \$8 at door), 3 p m Sunday Dec 16 at All Saints Episcopal Church 171 West Pike Pontiac (\$10 at door) and 7 p m Sunday Jan 6 at Ward Presbyterian Church 40000 Six Mile Northville No charge

CHORAL

CANTATA ACADEMY: Musique de Noel concert 8 p m Saturday Dec 8 at Big Beaver United Methodist Church Troy and 4 p m Sunday Dec 9 at Christ Episcopal Church Dearborn/ \$15 \$12 seniors/students (248) 358-9868

FARMINGTON COMMUNITY CHORUS: 8 p m Friday Saturday Dec 14 15 at Mercy High School 11 Mile and Middlebelt Farmington Hills \$10 (810) 632 4067

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE COMMUNITY CHORUS: 4 p m Sunday Dec 9, at St Matthew's United Methodist Church 30900 Six Mile between Merriman and Middlebelt Livonia Donations accepted (248) 349 8175 or (734) 462 4435

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

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

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Holiday Magic with the DSO Pops 1 30 p m and 8 p m Thursday Dec 6 8 30 p m Friday Saturday, Dec 7-8 and 3 p m and 7 p m Sunday Dec 9 at Orchestra Hall Detroit \$15 \$62 (313) 576 5111

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LARRY ARBOUR: 7 p m Wednesday Friday at Flying Fish Tavern 17600 West 13 Mile, east of Southfield Road (248) 647 7747

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DANCE

BALLET INTERNATIONALE: With the Michigan Opera Theatre Orchestra present *The Nutcracker* Dec 7 9 and 13 16 at the Detroit Opera House Detroit (313) 237 SING or visit the Web site at www.MichiganOpera.org

DEARBORN BALLET THEATRE: With Livonia Symphony Orchestra present *The Nutcracker* 7 30 p m Saturday, Dec 8 at Churchill High School Auditorium, 8900 Newburgh north of Joy Road Livonia \$16, \$10 students/children (734) 425-4855

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON BALLET COMPANY: With Plymouth Symphony Orchestra present *The Nutcracker* 11 a m and 4 30 p m Saturday, Dec 8 and 2 p m Sunday, Dec 9 in Plymouth Salem High School Auditorium 46181 Joy Road, Canton \$18 \$10 children (734) 451 2112

ROSE MARIE FLOYD CONTEMPORARY BALLET COMPANY: *The Nutcracker* with guest dancer from New York Jeffrey Ballet Ensemble 3 p m Sunday Dec 9 in the Scottish Rite Cathedral in the Detroit Masonic Temple, 500 Temple at Cass \$5 (248) 641 9063 or (313) 831 7072

RHYTHM N' SHOES: Weekly ball room/Latin dance party with DJ, 8 30 10 30 p m Thursdays, at the club 2172 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills \$7 (248) 334-0299

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COMEDY

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE: Elliott Branch Thursday Saturday Dec 6 8 at the club Ann Arbor (734) 996 9080

FOX THEATRE: Rick Smiley head lines the Def Comedy Jam with Mike Epps Ricky Harris Honest John and DJ Showtime, 9 p m Sunday Dec 30 Fox Theatre Detroit \$32 50 \$42 50 Tickets for Sept 15 performance will be honored (248) 645 6666

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Tim Jones Thursday Sunday Dec 6 9 at the club 5070 Schaefer Road Dearborn (313) 584 8885

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Todd Glass Thursday Saturday, Dec 6 8 Jeremy Hotz Thursday Saturday Dec 13 15 \$6 Thursday \$12 Friday \$14 Saturday (248) 542 9900

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SECOND CITY: New on Tuesdays *Law & Disorder* and *Standing on Ceremony* Jammin Wednesdays features *The Best of Second City Mayor Go Round* showtimes on Thursday Sunday at Second City Detroit Ticket prices and show times vary \$5-\$20 (313) 965 2222

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

CRANBROOK INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE: *Mostly Music* a hands on interactive exhibit that offers opportunities to listen to music from different eras and countries and experiment with various instruments while learning about harmony and dissonance tone and pitch and rhythm and synthesizers continues to Jan 6 at the museum 39221 Woodward Ave Bloomfield Hills \$7 adults \$4 children ages 4-17 students with ID and senior citizens ages 65 and older free for children ages 3 and younger 1 877-462 7262 or www.cranbrook.edu

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM: *Polish Presence in Detroit* exhibit continues at the museum Free with regular museum admission (313) 833 1419

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS: Continues its Friday night program ming 6-9 p.m. Friday Dec 7 at the museum (313) 833 7900

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LIVE MUSIC

AL CARMICHAEL: 7 p.m. Monday Dec 10 17 Fox & Hounds Bloomfield Hills All ages Free (248) 644 4800 With Terry Stevenson 7 p.m. Tuesday Dec 11 18 Fox & Hounds Bloomfield Hills All ages Free (248) 644 4800

AL HILL TRIO: 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 336 Main Plymouth (734) 454 6500

AMERICAN MARS: CD release for *No City Fun* with openers Judah Johnson 9 p.m. doors music at 9:30 p.m. Saturday Dec 15 Magic Stick Detroit \$7 18 and older (313) 833 9700

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DINING

Desserts are the icing on the cake at Parkway Grille

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

If you eat out regularly at metro Detroit restaurants, you know the area has more than a few very talented chefs. When they gain national recognition, it's worth crowing about.

How's this from the November 2001 *Chocolatier* magazine? "Although located inside the Marriott Hotel in Pontiac, Michigan, no one would mistake the Parkway Grille for a run-of-the-mill hotel dining room. The atmosphere is of an elegant and comfortable living room complete with fireplace and framed black and white photographs of the state's best-known export, automobiles."

"(Pastry chef) Patricia Ivery's White Chocolate Cherry Bread Pudding is the ultimate comfort food for such a setting—a rich, moist pudding made from white bread and chocolate, enlivened with local Michigan dried cherries."

Shifting gears

Ivery earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from Oakland University and went on to earn a Nursing Masters from Indiana University. While practicing nursing for 20 years, she continued to hone the skills for her first passion—baking, running a home-baking business on the side.

Once passion ruled, Ivery left her nursing career and enrolled at Grand Rapids Community College to study Baking & Pastry Arts and Culinary Management. There, she was instructed by a French Master Pastry Chef on the faculty.

"Nursing was an intellectually stimulating profession for me," said Ivery. "It gave me a strong foundation in work ethics that I've carried over to my new career, such as discipline, setting priorities, organization, and planning."

Parkway Grille's Executive Chef Jerry Nottage recognized Ivery's skills.

"Patricia had recently received her pastry certification," he noted, "and we were close to opening in November 2000 when I interviewed her. I immediately saw that she had the vision to create the desserts I had in mind for the menu. Not only can she bake, but she completes a presentation perfectly."

Developing a passion

Ivery, who lives in Troy, is the seventh of eight children who grew up on a farm in New Haven. Her mother cooked all the family meals from scratch. For Christmas, when she was seven years old, her parents gave her an Easy Bake Oven.

The next day, she baked her first cake. She also says she was inspired by Julia Child whom she watched on television. By age 12, she was taking notes as she watched Child's cooking shows.

"My parents," she explained, "wanted me to go to college to acquire skills for a profession. Back then, I didn't know that being a chef was a profession. Besides Julia Child, I didn't know any other woman who was a chef."

Today, Ivery owns more than 350 baking and cooking books. In addition to *Chocolatier* magazine, she regularly reads *Food Arts, Pastry Art and Design*, and *Gastronomica: The Journal of Food and Culture*.

"Gastronomica appeals to the intellectual and sensuous side of food and intersects food, culture, and society," she noted. "It contains the latest interdisciplinary research from scholars as well as artwork depicting the richness and vibrancy of food."

Vibrant desserts

Believing that flavor is first in any dessert, for the Michigan Cherry and Tart Apple Cobbler on Parkway Grille's dessert menu, she first sautes apples, sugar, and vanilla bean seeds in butter to create light caramel flavors. Baked in a ramekin, the crust topping remains crumbly.

Even though it's all chocolate, Ivery likes the French classic LeMarigny Torte for its different textures and tastes. Two different chocolate cake layers are held together with chocolate sabayon mousse.

You can find the original recipe for White Chocolate Cherry Bread Pudding in the November 2001 issue of *Chocolatier*.

It, however, is not Ivery's signature

That's the Chocolate Tower, sitting tall and elegant on the plate. "A signature dessert must be chocolate," Ivery maintained. "In general, my desserts are designed as comfort food, but for The Tower, I want diners to say 'Wow.'"

Specialty desserts

Beginning near the end of

November, Parkway Grille will offer dessert specials created by Pastry Chef Patricia Ivery. Although each will not be offered daily, they will include Pumpkin and Milk Chocolate Mousse Cake with Apple Cider Sauce and Scharffen Berger Dark Chocolate Molten Lava Cake, served warm with Espresso Ice Cream. Scharffen Berger choco-

late, created by California's John Scharffenberger, is considered world-class by renowned pastry chefs around the globe.

To be served in a Martini glass and garnished with candied cranberries and orange peel, Vanilla Risotto with Sweet Ginger Spice Crackers takes rice pudding to new heights for the holidays. Additionally, individu-

al-size Pineapple Upside Down Cake is enhanced by a rum-raisin caramel sauce.

Does Chef Ivery have more career plans? "Someday," she said, "I'd like to open my own dessert cafe. They are very popular now on the east and west coasts. I'd like to own one here in the Detroit area." In the meantime, if you're in the mood,

there's no reason why you can't go to the Parkway Grille just for dessert!

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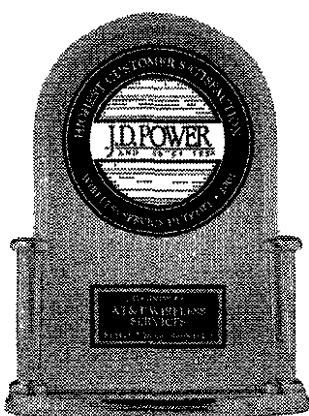
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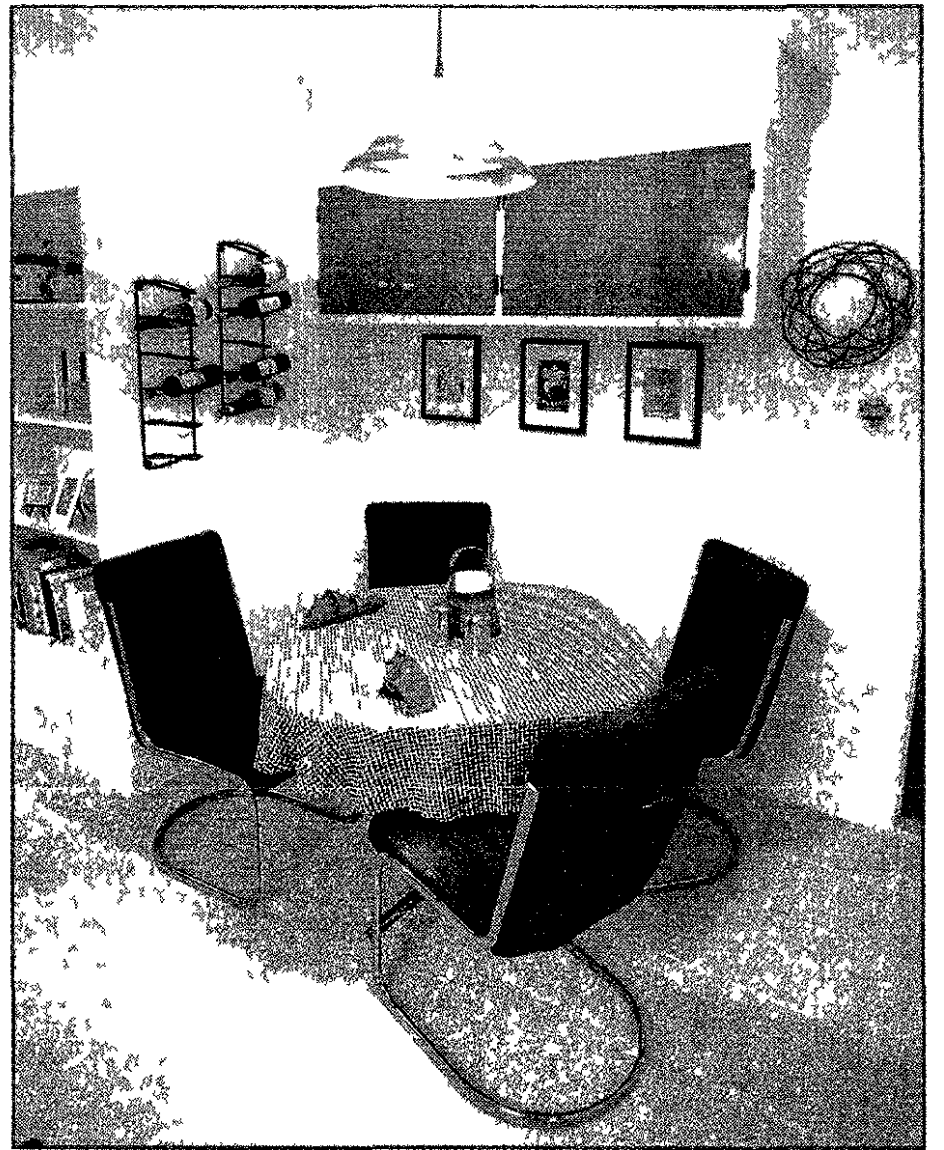
Home for the holidays

REMODELING



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Kitchen comforts: Keith and Joanne Owings stand in the kitchen of their home in Redford. They gave the kitchen a facelift last winter, installing new floor tiles and painting the walls during the week between Christmas and New Year's Day.



A French cafe: The kitchen table is accented well by the pictures on the wall and the nearby wine racks. Below, the kitchen range and microwave now occupy the wall opposite the table to open up space in the eating area.

Redford couple uses time 'off' to give kitchen a new look

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
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So what will you do during the Christmas and New Year's Day holidays?

Most couples celebrate, relax with families and friends and enjoy the comforts of home. But one year ago Keith and Joanne Owings weren't like those couples.

They undertook a major challenge many young couples face: try to remodel their home for a minimal amount of money. And try to do it during a holiday break.

An outdated home

The couple purchased the home described by Joanne as a "typical 1950s setup" six months earlier and felt it needed a facelift. The kitchen featured dark brown paneling, linoleum flooring and shag carpet. The previous owner had separated a working area near a sink and an eating area at a small table with a peninsula-type counter affectionately dubbed "the ironing board" by the couple.

The house's condition was a mixed bag, some of it well kept, some of it in shambles, Owings said. What needed to be done was an update.

Keith, a Livonia native, and Joanne, originally from Baltimore, pulled out hammers, nails and paint brushes. "Our goal was to make the kitchen one and brighten the whole area," said Joanne, an accounts supervisor at J. Walter Thompson.

But first, Keith, who's employed at UPS as a sorter and attending Wayne State University to obtain a teaching degree, rebuilt the stairs and landing with help from his father, Dale Owings, before the remodeling started in the kitchen. They ripped out the old stairs and landing and installed new stairs, flooring and baseboard on the landing.

The couple worked over the holidays to brighten up the kitchen. During the week between Christmas and New Year's Day, Keith and Joanne tore down wallpaper, washed and primed walls and painted the walls and ceiling. They also removed the shag carpet, exposing a hardwood floor underneath. Removing the dried carpet glue from the hardwood surface proved to be too difficult a task for the couple, so they decided to tile the floor.

They removed a fluorescent light and a ceiling fan and installed two pendant lamps.

They painted the room antique white. "It was just so dark and dismal in here. I wanted it brighter," Joanne said.

Keith removed doors permanently from the kitchen entrances. "Each opening had doors and you had to close the door to use the kitchen sink," said Joanne. The sink also was replaced.

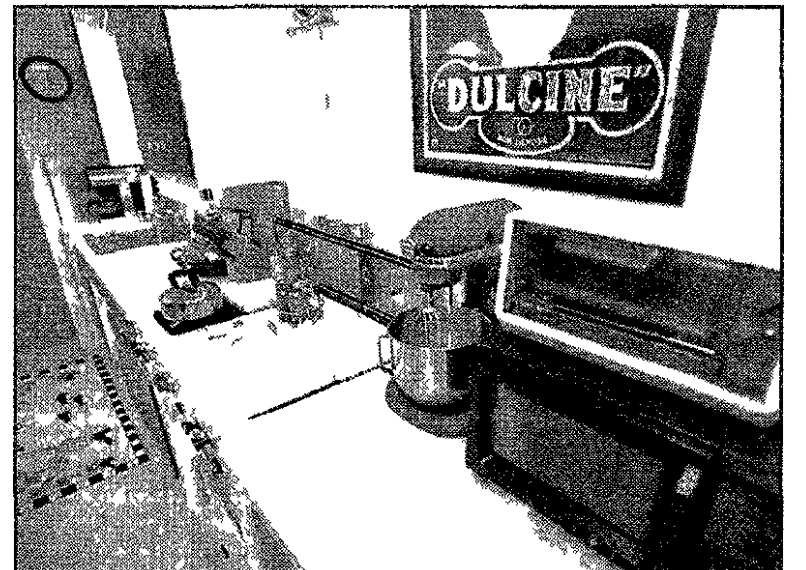
They also ripped out the peninsula, because it separated the room, said Keith. "Our goal was to make it one unit, one kitchen, and get rid of everything that separated it. (It now is a galley-type kitchen.)"

"(The refrigerator and stove) really jammed things up," Keith said, pointing to where the refrigerator and stove once were located along an inside wall of the kitchen. Those units were moved on the other side of the kitchen, where they were plugged into a new outlet. Today a table sits where the appliances once stood and the wall displays five pictures to provide a French cafe decor.

It gives it a country feel," said Joanne.

Building a new look

They installed blinds from Budget Decor in White Lake. New light fixtures were purchased from Restoration Hardware. They bought cabinet knobs from Classic Hardware in Livonia. Floor tile from Lowe's paid for in part with a \$100 gift certificate.



Keith also fixed other annoyances, such as floor squeaks, before they put down the tile. "You could go down in the basement and see a lot of the nails missed the joists," Keith said. "It was bad," Joanne said about the noise.

They wanted a natural look, but not an outdoorsy appearance, with the new floor tiles. The floor also features marble edges, accenting the open doorways.

The kitchen isn't the only room to undergo a change in scenery and utility. They also remodeled the bathroom. It now has some new tile and new grout, sink, toilet and new lights.

In the garage, Keith also updated the electrical wiring, and installed new garage doors, storm doors and windows. Owings used scrap wood from the old basement stairs and created garage shelves with them.

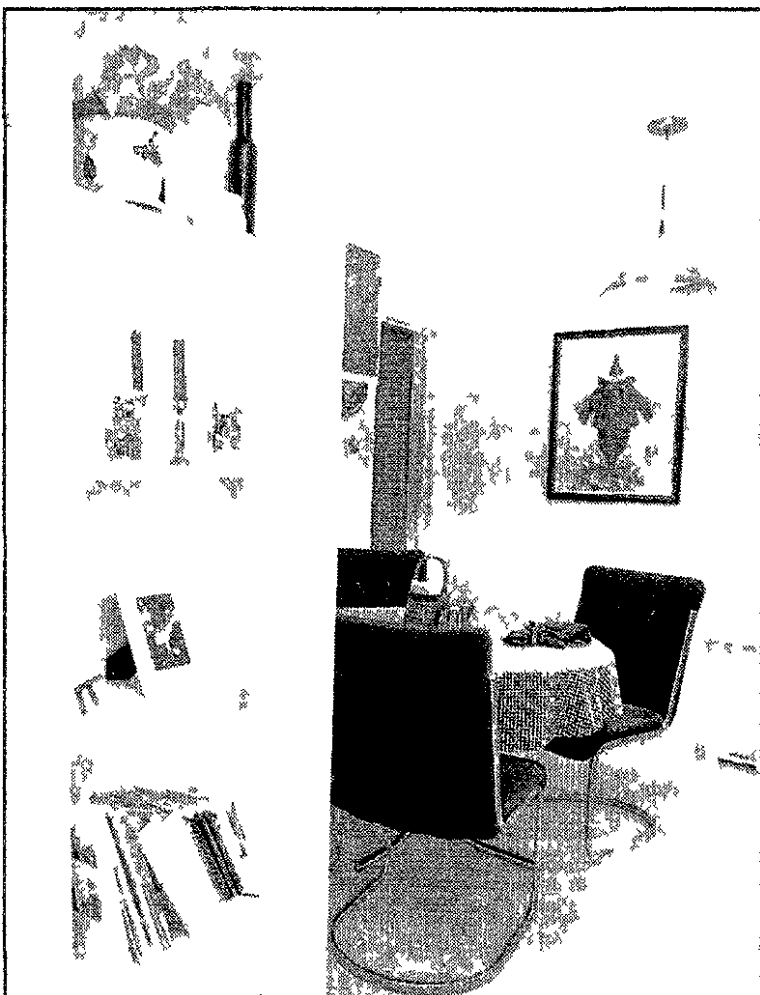
Walk down the new stairs into the basement and check out another project. The basement will be converted to a 400-square-foot family room. It now houses a television, sound system, chairs and sofa.

They now relax downstairs and watch television or listen to music. They moved their entertainment center, sofas and chairs downstairs after Keith remodeled that area with drywall, new electrical outlets and lights. A drop ceiling is planned for the area as well.

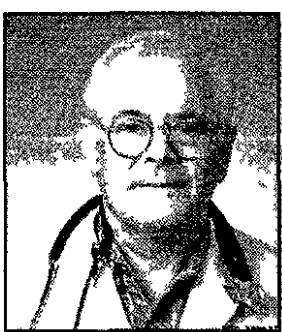
The house is shaping up into a home that serves the couple well for entertainment and relaxation. Remodeling the kitchen was a heckuva way to spend a Christmas break, a remodel job that cost only \$769.

"We really made (the home) more livable," said Joanne. "We have a large kitchen area, a large dining room and a larger living space."

"We weren't able to increase the square footage of the house, but we did increase the square footage of the living space."



More storage: Shelves provide not only storage for cookbooks, but an open display of candles, a plant and other personal touches to enliven the room.



JOE GAGNON

A need to clean

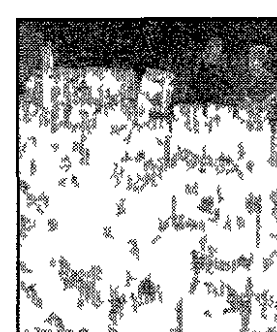
The Appliance Doctor has information on how you can clean your dishwasher. See Home Work, Page 2.



HARRY JACHYM

Early garden plans

Don't be afraid to spend a little more for quality this holiday season. See Ask Dad, Page 3.



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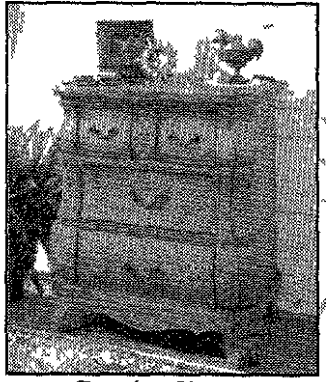
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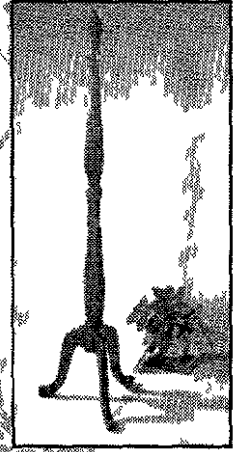
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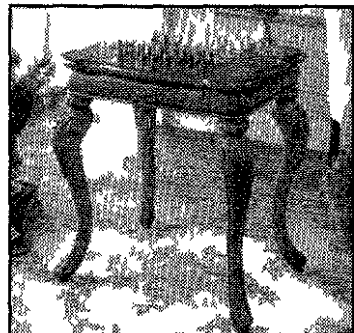
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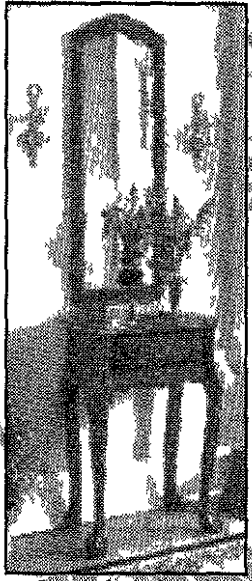
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HOME WORK

Readers ask about dust, dishwashers

APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

Despite having our ducts cleaned approximately three years ago and nearly all the carpet removed (with hardwood floors underneath), and furnace filter cleaned or replaced regularly, we still seem to get a lot of dust balls.

"Our concern is that it is something more than just ordinary house dust. We have a ranch style house with blown-in insulation in the ceiling. Is it possible it could somehow work its way through the ventilation system? Also, is there a place we could take a piece to see exactly what

A letter from a reader reads, "My wife and I appreciate your articles in the Observer Newspapers. They have saved us time and money by reading them. We have a question regarding dust

I continue to receive inquiries about the Tang formula used to clean dishwashers.

it is? (We live in Westland. I'm thinking that mailing this material somewhere would not be a wise thing to do right now.) Please let us know what you think. We value your opinion."

This is a case where I know just enough to make you more concerned, but not enough to be any kind of expert. I do know that on occasion air quality in the American home has proven to be worse than outside air and today's concerns of homeowners are well-justified. If I were in your shoes, I would call a friend of mine who has checked air quality in homes and hospitals for years. It would answer questions you may have. Call me at the number listed at the end of this column.

I continue to receive inquiries about the Tang formula used to clean dishwashers. I have given this Tang treat-

ment to consumers many times and yes, I would love to give it out again. I always keep in mind that there are homeowners who read this column for the first time or first-time listeners to the radio show. I often ask callers to the number at the end of this column if they listen to the radio show and they answer that they don't even know I'm on the air.

You can reach me off the air by calling the number at the end of this column. And if you send a self-addressed, stamped, no. 4 envelope to the address below, and I will send you a copy of the Tang treatment for your washer. I'll make sure you get one.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (313) 873-9789.

Got a question for the Appliance Doctor? Call him at the above number or write to him care of Ken Abramczyk, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150.

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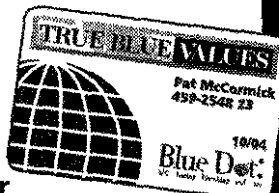
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Don't shortchange quality when buying tools as gifts

ASK DAD



HARRY JACHYM

Many of my friends and associates ask me for tips about buying tools and, in particular, power tools. With holiday gift giving season upon us here are a few tips to help make a purchase for that special someone.

Many times I've heard it said that "cheap tools don't do work, they make work." With this in

mind, buy the best quality tool you can afford. Poor quality power tools operate poorly, making them frustrating or even dangerous, to use. On the other hand, a professional-duty tool isn't necessary for a weekend do-it-yourselfer to obtain good quality.

Look for quality

A good way to choose a good quality tool is to look for a brand name. In the power tool world, names such as DeWalt, Porter Cable, Milwaukee, Bosch, Makita, and Skil are a few of the good brand names. The quality in these tool brands is comparable, so choosing one may be a matter

of personal choice or whichever brand is on sale. This time of year you'll often find company representatives with displays at home improvement stores. They'll talk to you, let you try tools out, and, of course, tell you why their brand is the best.

I'm convinced it's a good idea to visit a reputable power tool dealer. I recently spoke with Brady Kalem, of Marsh Power Tools in Livonia, about what to look for in a power tool gift.

Kalem suggests that you should check the amp rating of the tool. A higher amp means a more powerful tool. He also suggests looking at the weight of the tool. It was once thought that a

heavier tool was a stronger tool. Now, in most cases, weight just makes the tool harder to use.

What is popular

Kalem feels that the first power tool most people want is a portable circular saw. I like a cordless drill/driver (Kalem's second choice) as the first tool of choice. Now I can't argue with him as he's in the sales business, but I don't like turning a manual screwdriver.

I'm a big fan of cordless tools. They're safer to use because you don't have 110 volts plugged into them and I simply just don't like dealing with extension cords. Today's batteries are powerful,

recharge quickly and give long use time.

Brady's gift suggestions include a tool pouch. While doing those do-it-yourself projects around the house, the tool pouch keeps hammers, tape measures, utility knives and hardware within easy reach. Being often guilty of not using pouches while doing household projects, I often spend time looking for my tape measure, which I know I set down somewhere.

As stocking stuffers, include safety items, like safety glasses or a headset to provide ear protection. These items are a must when using power tools and a good way to show you care.

Footnote: A reader contacted me about my recent column on winterizing underground sprinklers. He mentioned that he installed a drain valve in the supply line in his basement. After turning off the water supply, he opens this valve to drain the water away from the outside pipes and vacuum breaker.

Thanks for the advice. Have a great holiday season. *Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, lives in Plymouth and teaches building trades to high school students.*

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RENEE SKOGLUND

Healing touch begins with kind words

Sometimes healing has nothing to do with science or medicine. It begins with the spoken word. Words of assurance. The kind of healing dialog I'm referring to isn't taught in medical schools nor does it require a degree in English, rather, it is an intuitive response from the doctor, nurse or technician. All is well, you're in my care.

Yes, words can heal. Several years ago, I was scheduled to have major surgery a few days after I graduated from Wayne State University. It had taken me seven years to complete my bachelor's degree while raising a family. I was graduating with top honors. The surgery was a necessity, but with final exams and the upcoming gradu-

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ation ceremony I had little time to prepare myself emotionally.

The morning of surgery, I remember being wheeled down the hall into the operating room, my eyes trailing the design in the ceiling tiles. I was afraid I can still feel the blast of chilled air as they wheeled me through the doors.

Then I heard the words "See these hands?" said the anesthesiologist as she leaned over me. Her hands floating just inches above my face. These hands belong to an angel. They can do anything. I'm going to put you asleep so peacefully. You're in my care."

I've never forgotten her words and have repeated them often over the years when relaying this story to my friends and my doctors. That morning I surrendered to an angel, had given over my entire being to a stranger in complete trust.

Words can heal. Recently I had to have a magnetic resonant imaging scan. If you're at all claustrophobic, an apt analogy is taking a Barbie doll and stuffing it into a cardboard tube. For more than an hour, you are bombarded with deafening noises as the magnets resonate at different intensities and patterns.

My MRI was scheduled late at night and further delayed when two emergency patients were taken ahead of me. By the time my turn came the technician rushed me through. When I tried to yell out that my earplugs had fallen out, she didn't stop. In the end the images were incomplete. The ringing in my ears lasted for an hour.

I scheduled another MRI at a different location. This one had to be done correctly. I didn't know if I could work up my courage to go through a third, claustrophobic MRI. I needn't have worried.

Days later, the new technician popped his head into the waiting room and introduced himself as Steve.

"Boy, are you in luck," he said. "I'm the best MRI tech they have. I'll take you through the entire procedure, one step at a time. I'll tell you everything they're going to do. And if you say stop, we'll stop."

"And then he said the magic words 'And don't worry, you're in good hands.'"

Okay, so maybe Steve wasn't as poetic as my first angel, but his halo was every bit as shiny. His bravado was reassuring.

I breezed through the hour long MRI, and the images were good enough for my doctor to make a diagnosis. Before I left the clinic, I filled out an employee recognition card for Steve.

Thank you, Steve for guiding me through a difficult procedure. And thanks to my angel of many years ago. I can still see her hands hovering above my face like the wings of a dove. I no longer remember her name but I'll never forget her words.

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PCA reaches out to the homeless



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Approximately 200 homeless men from the Detroit Rescue Mission will receive care packages this holiday season from students at Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton.

According to Mark Rutherford, director of operations and development, for the past five years the school has conducted a building wide project to create holiday gift bags — "the only gift most of these men will receive," said the school administrator.

Contributions came from the 850 students of PCA and ranged from toiletries and winter hats to sweatshirts and socks. Chapel collections and a bake sale hosted by fourth graders earned over \$1,200 for the additional purchase of items.

Rewarding

"I think it's nice to reach out to men who don't have homes. It showed us everyone can do something to help even kids," said Sarah Roth, 6 of Plymouth.

Students in grades fourth through sixth lent an extra hand to the project by assembling the bags before they were picked up by DRM staff. A final component of the lesson is the all school assembly they gathered for the following day to hear a man from the mission speak about his experiences as a homeless person.

"You can hear a pin drop during his testimonial," said Kathy Polera, PCA parent and member of the Parent Service Organization. "There are kids in



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Helping hand: Children made their way through various stations filling the bags with items such as gloves and sweatshirts, toiletries and washcloths. Nearly 200 care packages (left photo) sit in the sanctuary of Calvary Baptist Church as PCA students Sarah Roth, 11, and Nick Fisher, 11½, stack the completed bags.

the chapel ages 5 through 18 who all listen intently to his message. It's amazing.

Rutherford added that the rescue mission speaker makes the lesson more

tangible. They do more than hear about homeless men; they see first hand the struggle this person has gone through and it helps them better understand how important their efforts



Generous: Emily Pardington and Meghan Polera, both 11, smile as they wait to have their bags stapled at the end of the line.

are," said PCA's director of operations. PSO members Judy Vuletech and Cathy King, both of Plymouth, say seeing who will actually receive the gift bags makes the project all the more valuable and memorable.

"It teaches them the gift of a giving spirit," said Vuletech who has a second and fourth grader attending PCA.

"And a sense of community," added King the mother of a first and fourth grader.

Nine year-old Amanda Ralston and her fellow classmate Brenna Haney, also 9, found the project to be fun and a good learning experience. They enjoyed helping with the bake sale and stenciling the gift bags knowing it was all for a good cause.

"I've been at this school since I was in preschool and we've done this every year. There's a lot to be learned from helping others, especially men who don't have houses or shelter," said Ralston.

Couple win free wedding package

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Knowing you are a winner naturally generates a certain level of excitement. Yet for Carrie Barta and Donte Scott, being chosen to receive a free wedding package was more than exhilarating — it was a welcome answer to their prayers.

"I was the one that called Carrie on the phone and she was screaming," said Michelle Smith of Wedding Avenue. "I felt like a radio disc jockey. She kept saying 'You're lying, you're lying.' She wanted my phone number so she could call me back to make sure I was who I said I was."

Smith is co-owner of Wedding Avenue in Redford with Penny Lewis, wedding designer/event planner and Roland Franklin, videographer — the trio joined forces in June to provide "one-stop shopping" for their mutual clients.

"We kept running into each other at the same weddings so we decided it made sense for us to pool our resources and open a business together," added Smith, a 10-year veteran of the wedding photography business.

The winning couple attended the Nov. 4 *Brides to Be* show at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn. Smith said she and her colleagues have participated in the show for years and always provide a prize to draw couples to their booth.

"We usually give away an 11 by 14 portrait or a guest book but this year we talked about it and decided to give an entire wedding package away," said Smith. "We wanted to do something that really wowed people for our first year in business together."

Recent graduates of the University of Michigan, Carrie says she and her fiancé have student loans to take care of and would like to buy a house, all of which contributed to them not wanting to spend a lot of money on a wedding.

"Weddings cost so much," said Barta, 22, a Redford Thurston High School graduate. "I can't justify spending so much money for just one day. That was the one thing I was worried about. We had everything else pretty much set but that."

The pair met at Solid Rock Baptist Church in Plymouth and were engaged Aug. 30. They have been dating for four years and will exchange vows at First Baptist Church of Wayne on May 24. They plan to receive guests at the Wayne Community Center.

Blessing in disguise

Carrie admits she wasn't the only one who was skeptical about the legitimacy of Smith's phone call. When I hung up the phone my mom wanted to know the name of the company so she could match it up with the businesses in the program to see if they were real.

Adding to her skepticism Barta said she submitted her name to several "enter to win" contests at the bridal show and had received calls earlier in the week from travel companies claiming she won a trip when in reality they were selling honeymoon vacations at "discounted prices."

Not only was Michelle Smith's phone call authentic, it was a blessing. Carrie learned she and Donte, a Plymouth Canton graduate, were eligible to receive a \$450 photography package by Images Photographic Services, Roland Franklin Video Production package valued at \$600 and \$500 in wedding decorations designed by Penny Lewis of Affairs by Davis.

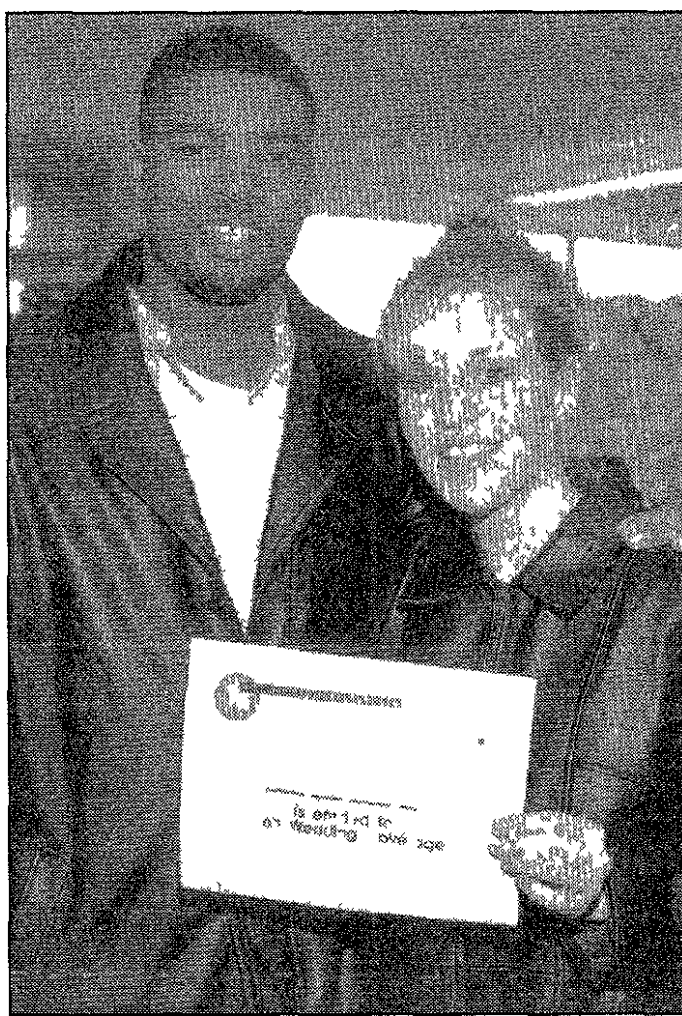


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Happy couple: Plymouth Canton alumni Donte Scott and his bride-to-be, Carrie Barta of Redford, show off a certificate they received as part of their free wedding package.

"I've never won anything," said Carrie. "This will really help."

Carrie and her fiancé aren't the only ones who are grateful for the prize. Jan and Dave Barta were looking forward to not having a double tuition bill this year since Carrie recently graduated, leaving her sister Sarah, a junior at the University of Michigan, Dearborn.

"We traded college tuition for wedding bills," said Jan. "Don't get me wrong, we were looking forward to the wedding. Donte is a nice man that we have grown to love."

Jan said her future son-in-law's proposal didn't come as too much of a surprise to her and her husband as Donte accompanied Dave to work in April and at lunch asked if he could marry Carrie. "He did it the old-fashioned way. He's very respectful," added Jan.

Not only will the package mean less bills for everyone, Jan says it has made her title of Mom/Wedding Coordinator much easier. "I got a book early to keep things organized," said Jan. "One of the nice things about the package is the videographer. We weren't going to hire one. It's going to be wonderful."

Girl Scouts do the wrapping for you

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As reliable as the Girl Scouts are each year with their cookie sales — look for them this season manning gift wrapping tables at several area malls including Livonia Mall, Laurel Park and Wonderland Mall.

For the 10th year, scouts and adult coordinators from the Michigan Metro Girl Scout Council will measure, price, wrap gifts and provide customer service in an effort to raise money for scout activities and end-of-the-year trips. In the past, troops have traveled to Chicago, Washington, D.C., Boston,

■ 'Boxes are priced one of two ways.'

Kings Island, Toronto, Disney World and Hawaii.

According to coordinator Diane Bergendahl, cadette/senior leader and registrar, approximately 96 scouts and 68 adults from communities such as Livonia, Westland, Redford, Farmington Hills and Northville will wrap thousands of gifts through 5 p.m. on Christmas Eve.

Whether you've already started shopping for the holiday season or are one of those last minute shoppers, the Girl Scouts will welcome gifts purchased at participating malls and from other stores regardless of their size. Boxes are priced one of two ways: boxes brought by customers are measured then priced and boxes purchased from the Girl Scouts have a different pricing schedule.

Before scouts volunteer for gift wrapping hours they are trained on how to price gifts depending on their size. In addition to their personal wrapping service, adult coordinator Sue Roy, a cookie cupboard volunteer for the scouts, makes handmade bows for each package and girls create more than 4,000 gift tags to attach to the presents. Adult coordinators Theresa Marshall, Vicky Kowalski and several former girl scouts help with the tramping.

Gift wrapping services are offered during mall hours, it's not until after school that some of the 22 troops involved are able to wrap in three-hour shifts starting at 3 p.m.

"Right now things are a little slow but I'm sure once we really get into December they'll start to pick up," said Bergendahl.

RELIGION CALENDAR

MEMBERS SOUGHT

Canton Christian Fellowship is a multi-ethnic church seeking individuals and families who are interested in helping a bible based, evangelical Christian church grow and meet the needs of the Canton community. We currently have 11 families that make up our church and we can use more help! Call Pastor David Washington Jr. at (734) 414-0856. Canton Christian Fellowship has been in existence for a year. The church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention of Michigan.

THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS

NorthRidge Church, 49555 North Territorial Road, Plymouth will present *The Glory of Christmas, Christmas Day again*. Dates include 7:30 p.m. Dec 7, 1 and 7:30 p.m. Dec 8, 3 p.m. Dec 9, 7:30 p.m. Dec 14, 1 and 7:30 p.m. Dec 15, and 3 p.m. Dec 16. Tickets are \$10. Call (800) 585-3737 or visit www.ticketsplus.net. Tickets on sale 9 a.m. Nov 12. No refunds or exchanges.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

The Church Women United of Suburban Detroit-West will host a fellowship luncheon 12:15 p.m. Dec 7 at Nardin Park United Methodist church, 20887 W. Eleven Mile, Farmington Cost, \$7.50. Call Bonnie Chrysler (313) 278-0036 by Dec 3. Babysitting reservation only.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Welcome Jesus, Our Redeemer, a Christmas concert will begin 7:30 p.m. Dec 7, and 4 and 7:30 p.m. Dec 8 at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 10101 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. The Trinity Choir will be featured under the direction of Steve SeGraves. Nursery will be provided for children age 2 and under. For tickets call (734) 459-9550.

CHRISTMAS WALK

Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, will host a living nativity with narration and music 6-8 p.m. Dec 7-8. Highlights include a cookie walk, crimson decorated trees, kids' activities, refreshments and nativity scenes from around the world. Call (734) 421-7249.

ADVENT RETREAT

Madonna University will hold a Marian advent retreat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec 8 with the theme *Mary, Model and Prophet of Freedom*. Rev. John Riccardi, from the St. John Center for Youth and Family, will lead the activities which include prayer, small group sharing, conferences, lunch, and a liturgy. Cost is \$15 and includes lunch and refreshments. Staff, faculty and students are \$10. Call (734) 432-5419 or e-mail frxavier@madonna.edu.

PRE-WINTER SEMINAR

Eckankar presents a pre-winter seminar on how to survive spiritually in our times, mastering changes in your life, and keys to who you are and why are you here. Event includes speakers, workshops, performing arts and a book display. Meet 1-4 p.m. at the Melvin G. Bailey Recreation Center, 36651 Ford Road, Westland. Call (734) 721-9397. Admission is free.

ADVENT WORSHIP

Sunday, Dec 9 at their 9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship services. Grace Lutheran Church in Redford Township will continue

their month long celebration of Christmas. This Sunday they will welcome *The Nagy Duo* — a husband and wife harpist and flautist who will perform with Grace's Chancel and Youth Choirs. Assistant Pastor Victor F. Halboth will preach on the theme *Waiting for Christmas* based on Matthew 3:1. Grace Lutheran Church is located at 25630 Grand River in Redford Township, just east of Beech-Daly.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia invites the public to a free concert of Christmas music and carol singing 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec 9. Located at 14175 Farmington Road (just north of I-96). Call (734) 522-6830.

LITTLE CHRISTMAS

St. John's Lutheran Church will host *Little Christmas*, a program featuring guest choirs and special music reflecting our ethnic diversity 7:30 p.m. Dec 11 at the church, 13542 Mercedes, Redford. Refreshments and fellowship. Call (313) 538-2660.

BIRTH OF JESUS

Celebrate the birth of Jesus. St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile, Livonia, will host a birthday party for Jesus 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec 15. The free event is designed for 4 year olds through sixth graders. You must register by calling Anne (734) 422-6038 by Dec 9.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

All are invited to celebrate with the kids of Nardin Park in their annual Christmas pageant 10 a.m. Dec 15 at Nardin Park United Methodist Church of Farmington Hills. Music, drama, costumes, carols to sing with the audience make this a family event. Admission is free. There will also be a pancake breakfast at 9 a.m. Dec 15 before the pageant. \$3 per person. Call (248) 476-8860 by Dec 12 if you'd like to join us for breakfast.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us in celebration as Ward Church presents its Christmas concert *Majesty in Our Midst* 7 p.m. Dec 15 and 5 p.m. Dec 16. No tickets necessary. Ward Church is located at 40000 Six Mile, Northville. Call (248) 374-7400. Featuring a 50 piece symphony and 120 voice choir.

THEOLOGIAN TO LECTURE

Theologian Cornelius Plantinga, Jr. will be speaking on the topic of Christian moral virtues at an all-day conference at Trinity Church in Livonia, Saturday, Dec 15. He will be inaugurated as president of Calvin Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids in January. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Dec 15. Advance registration is \$20 (\$5 more at the door) and includes the cost of lunch. Group rates available. Call Trinity Church (734) 425-2800. Trinity Church is located at 14800 Middlebelt, just south of Five Mile in Livonia. Plantinga will also preach at Trinity Church's Sunday morning worship service at 10:45 on Dec 16.



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CRAFTS CALENDAR

CRAFT SHOW

The American House Livonia II, 11525 Farmington Road, Livonia (located behind Elias Brothers), will host a craft bazaar 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec 7.

HANDCRAFTERS SHOW

Handcrafters will be sponsoring its 19th annual Christmas Arts and Crafts Show 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec 7, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec 8,

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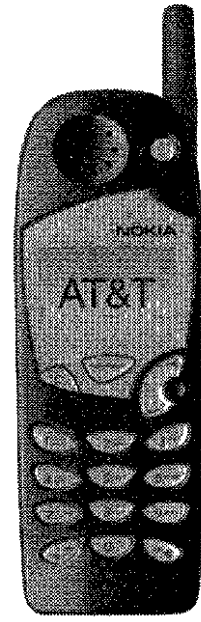
HOLIDAY DOLL SHOW

Doll (artists/crafters) space is available for the Plymouth Holiday Doll Show 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec 9 at the Plymouth VFW Hall (1426 S. Mill Street/Lilly). Admission \$5.

Kids under 10, free. Call (734) 455-2110.

TOY & HOBBY EXPO

Attention toy crafters, doll (artists/crafters) Space is available for the Toy & Hobby Expo at the Novi Expo Center (43700 Expo Center Drive) 5-9 p.m. Dec 28, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Dec 29 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec 30. Admission, \$6. Kids 4-12, \$3. Parking, \$5. Call (734) 455-2110.



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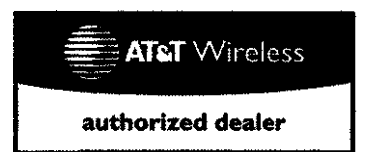
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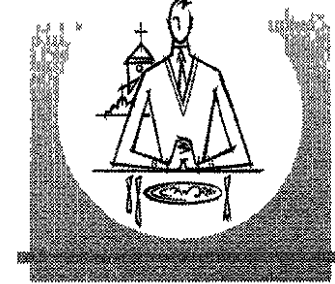
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The words "grace and gratitude" both come from the Latin word "gratus" which means favorable or pleasing and from which we get the expression "gratis" which means a gift or favor that is freely given. We see the connection between God's grace and our gratitude in saying grace which is expressing our gratitude for God's freely given gift of food. How easy it is to forget and thus to be unwittingly ungrateful for all the wonderful things in our lives that come to us freely by the grace of God. Our families and friends, our health and wellbeing, indeed our very lives and the world we inhabit are truly gifts from our heavenly father. These are given freely to us and our Lord expects nothing in return except our love and gratitude. Surely this is a testimony to God's overflowing and abundant love for all of us. We do well to remember the ultimate source of this great bounty our loving and gracious God. In turn, we should imitate his love through our charity to others.

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The Livonia Jaycees are selling the discount coupon Entertainment Books through November as a benefit for the club's annual Children's Christmas Shopping Spree. Cost is \$30, a discount of \$10 from previous years. Call (734) 542-0997 for order.

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The Canton Public Library will once again serve as a local collection site for the Gift of Reading holiday program which places new books in the hands of children (toddler through second grade) who would not have access to them otherwise. You may bring your new, unwrapped books to the library through Dec 7. Call Marcia Barker (734) 397-

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Newburg United Methodist Church in Livonia has new cookbooks featuring their favorite recipes — just in time for the holidays. \$10 each or three for \$25. Available from June Stopa at the 10 a.m. coffee hour or from the church office 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Call (734) 422-0149.

TREE OF LIFE

The Angela Hospice annual Tree of Life will be on display at Laurel Park Place in Livonia through Dec 31. The tree extends its branches to those who wish to give a gift of remembrance by adorning the tree with an angel wing ornament bearing

the names of loved ones, living or deceased. If you are unable to attend, call (734) 464-7810.

COOKIE WALK

St. Michael's Orthodox Church, 26355 W. Chicago, Redford, will host a Christmas Cookie Walk 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec 8. If you are too busy to bake, then come to our annual Cookie Walk Sale. Fill your box as you go. Cookies are sold by the pound.

PT CRUISER RAFFLE

Credit Union ONE in partnership with the Olde World Canterbury Village will be supporting a raffle ticket campaign to benefit the Puritan Family Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation. The raffle's grand prize is a PT

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COOKIE WALK

9th Annual Cookie Walk at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church will be on Dec 15th at 9:00 am until sold out. Our address is 36075 W. 7 Mile Rd in Livonia. Call (248) 476-3432.

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Newburg United Methodist Church is making and selling Cornish pasties as a fund-raiser. Pasties are \$2.50 each and can be ordered by calling (734) 422-0149 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Jan 8-9. Call in orders only. Pick up times are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jan 17 and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Jan 18. 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Order early. 1,000 pasties made

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SINGLE PLACE PROGRAMS

Single Place presents Sunday worship at First Presbyterian Church (200 E. Main Street) Northville 11 a.m. followed by brunch at 12:30 p.m. at Northville Crossing Restaurant. Thursday, Dec 6 Open Forum I, Ten Times Not to Date. Speaker Dianne Griswold will be the host 7:30 p.m. \$4 or Open Forum II, The Role of Sexuality and Dating. Speaker Sandy Baumann will lead this discussion. Thursday, Dec 13 Friends, Faith and Fun for the Holidays. Nora Butcher guest speaker 7:30 p.m. \$4. Saturday, Dec 14 at 6:30 p.m. Progressive Dinner. Call First Presbyterian Church, (248) 949-0911. \$18 includes appetizer or dessert.

Divorce Support The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College sponsors a Divorce Support Group from 7-9 p.m. at the McDowell Center (room 225). Call (734) 462-4443. Group meets the second (discus-

sion) and fourth (speaker) Tuesday of the month. Upcoming schedule includes:

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Group discussion, meets on Thursdays Dec 13 (new group for those divorced over 1 year. Meets from 7:30-9 p.m. across the hall from WRC), Jan 10, Feb 14, March 14, and April 11.

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Dec 8, Livonia Symphony and Dearborn Ballet perform "The Nutcracker Suite," at 7:30 p.m. at Churchill High School. Fifteen tickets have been pre-purchased. Call Mary Mumma will be selling them.

New Year's Eve Dance Dec 31 at St. Robert Bellarmine 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets will be \$20 if purchased in advance. \$25 at the door.

Monthly dinner Jan 3, 6, 30 p.m. at Pick-A-Bone Rib House & Saloon, 30325 Six Mile, Livonia. Call Mary Selwa (734) 722-2612.

WESTSIDE SINGLES DANCE

Every Friday WestSide Singles hosts a dance at Burton Manor in Livonia (Schoolcraft west of Inkster Road) from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Must be over 21 — dressy attire (no jeans). Upcoming dances are Dec 7, 14, 21 and 28. Open to the public. A deejay will be playing Top 40 music and current hits. Appetizers will be

served (hot/cold). Early admission special \$4 before 8:30 p.m. and \$6 after. Call (734) 981-0909. There will be a special New Year's Eve Dance 7:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. Dec 31. Hot/cold appetizers, fruit/dessert table, continental breakfast, balloon drop at midnight, etc. Call (734) 427-9110 for tickets or (734) 981-0909.

SINGLE ADULT MINISTRIES

Talk It Over meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost \$6. Ward Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville. Call (248) 374-5920.

Concert tickets, Phillips, Craig & Dean at 7:30 p.m. Dec 7 in the sanctuary. Tickets are \$5 and on sale now.

Showcase, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec 7 in the sanctuary. The trio of Christian melody - Phillips, Craig & Dean Concert. Tickets are \$5 and childcare will be provided.

Christmas caroling, 7 p.m. Dec 21. Call the SPM office.

Classic Senior Singles 6:30 p.m. Dec 11 in Parlor C317. A Christmas celebration buffet dinner followed by a white elephant gift exchange and then singing Christmas carols. \$10.

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All-conference hoop

The Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's co champions dominated the all MIAC first team, taking three of the five spots. But a pair of Plymouth Christian Academy players were able to earn some distinction.

Amy Brandt, a senior center, was selected to the second team and Amanda Saagman, a sophomore guard, was named to the all MIAC third team.

Junior guard Kim Guilfoyle was honorable mention.

Hockey change

The home game Plymouth Canton's hockey team had scheduled for next Wednesday against state ranked Livonia Stevenson has been changed.

The Chiefs will play Stevenson at 6 p.m. Wednesday at Eddie Edgar Arena in Livonia. Stevenson will play Canton at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, at the new Arctic Edge Arena in Canton.

All-region soccer

The NAIA Region VIII women's soccer team has been selected, with two Madonna University players on first team and two more on second.

Crusaders' defenders Kelly Delaney, a senior, and Christen Shull (from Plymouth Salem), a sophomore, were named to the first team. Senior keeper Jen Barker (Livonia Stevenson) and midfielder Emily Jackson (Farmington Harrison) were second-team choices.

Delaney finished with six goals and four assists (16 points) for Madonna, while Shull had four goals and seven assists (15 points). Jackson had seven goals and 10 assists, tying for the team lead in points with 24, and Barker posted a 12-4 record in goal, allowing 15 goals (0.87 goals against) with 10 shutouts.

Whalers, MADD team

The Plymouth Whalers and the Wayne County Drive Michigan Safety Task Force will join with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) this holiday season to "tie one one" — but not in the traditional sense.

At Friday's Whalers-vs. Sarnia hockey game at Compuware Arena, representatives from the task force and MADD will pass out ribbons and ask fans to fill out a pledge to be alcohol-free while driving. Everyone who signs a pledge will be eligible to win Whalers' tickets and merchandise.

For further information on the Wayne County Drive Michigan Safety Task Force, contact Sgt. Bill Huddleston of the Brownstown Police Dept. at (734) 675-1300, ext. 1142.

Kicks are perfect

The Plymouth Kicks under 10 boys soccer team clinched the Western Suburban Soccer League Division I championship with a 3-0 win over the Canton Oaks. The victory gave the Kicks a 10-0 record for the season.

Team members are Jackson Burdette, Casey Clark, Robert Cowing, Alex Dixon, Josh Gatt, John Jakubik, Connor Kennedy, John Krutty, Sasa Miskovic, Andy Mitchell, Lachlan Savage and Adam Skubik. The team coaches are Dean Krutty and Dave Burdette.

Splitz sparkles

A half dozen members of the Splitz Gymnastics team turned in solid performances at the state competition held Dec. 1-2 in Port Huron.

In Level 5, Lindsay Bridges, an eight-year-old from Canton, was state champion in the floor exercise (9.45), the balance beam (9.5), the vault (8.75) and in the all-around (36.3). Bridges placed fourth on the uneven parallel bars (8.6).

Taylor Standish, a nine-year-old from Plymouth, was third on beam (9.1), third on vault (8.95), seventh on bars (8.8) and fifth in the all-around (35.375).

Megan Valentini, a nine-year-old from Canton, was second on beam (9.125), third on floor (9.2) and eighth in the all-around (34.725).

Kali Pierce, an eight-year-old from Canton, placed fourth on floor (8.7) and Lauren Hernandez, a 13-year-old from Livonia, was sixth on floor (8.8) and seventh on vault (8.5).

The Level 5 team earned a third-place finish in the team competition.

In Level 6, Andrea Rivera, a 13-year-old from Belleville, was state champ in floor (9.175) and 10th on bars (8.35).

Kitchener, Whalers battle to a tie



There haven't been many teams the Whalers have had problems with this season. But the team coached by their former coach — Pete DeBoer and the Kitchener Rangers — have managed a win and a tie at Compuware.

Twice in the last three weeks the Plymouth Whalers' former coach, Pete DeBoer, has brought his new team, the Kitchener Rangers, to town to face the Ontario Hockey League leaders. And twice, on the Whalers' home ice, DeBoer's Rangers have delivered a

message.

On Nov. 10, that message was a 4-2 Ranger victory. Last Saturday, the Whalers needed a third-period goal from Stephen Weiss to secure a 3-3 tie with Kitchener at Compuware Arena. Considering the Whalers have lost

just four times all season (including Friday's 4-1 win over Brampton, Plymouth was 20-4-1) while Kitchener has been playing 500 hockey, DeBoer's success against his former squad is a bit surprising.

On Saturday, the Whalers had the early lead, thanks to a first-period, power play goal by Kris Vernarsky (Chad LaRose and Weiss assisted). But a strong second period by the Rangers overturned that.

Kitchener tied it at 4-21 of the second with a short handed goal by Matt

Grenier. The Whalers regained the lead 39 seconds later with a power-play goal by Greg Campbell (James Wisniewski and Brad Yeo assisted), but that lead didn't last.

A power play goal by the Rangers' Jeff Szwed at 10:24 of the second knotted it at 2-2, and an even strength goal by Peter Hemsy at 16:48 of the second gave them a 3-2 lead entering the third period.

Weiss' tying goal came at 5:32 of the

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Saving best for last

Late rally lifts
Canton to win
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BY C.J. RISAK
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As fast as Wayne Memorial got its offense in gear, it stopped.

Which is just when Plymouth Canton pounced. The Zebras had just matched their largest lead of the game, a T.J. McClain basket putting them ahead 40-35 with six minutes left to play.

That, however, was the last time Wayne would score a basket. In those last six minutes the Chiefs outscored the Zebras 12-2 to pull away to a 47-42 triumph in Tuesday's season-opening boys basketball game, played at Wayne.

"I don't know exactly what happened," said Wayne coach Wayne Woodard. "We had a couple of turnovers and we missed a couple of shots. We didn't run our offense as well as we had."

Canton, which had struggled offensively for most of the game, put together a finishing streak that was good enough to get the win. No, it wasn't textbook basketball on finishing a game — the Chiefs made some costly mistakes down the stretch, turning the ball over four times in the last three minutes — but they played well enough to win.

"You've got to fight through the turnovers and the mistakes," said Canton coach Jeremy Rheault. "Still, we were able to defend a team like Wayne and hold them to 42 points. And they had as many boneheaded turnovers as we did."

Or nearly as many. Canton had 23 turnovers in the game, Wayne had 20.

But this game was as much about two similarly undersized teams

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Dish off: Canton's Brendan Murphy (12) tries to pass the ball inside despite the pressure applied by Wayne's defenders. It wasn't easy, but the Chiefs managed enough offense to upend the Zebras.

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BASKETBALL

Rocks fail
at the line
in Monroe

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It's going to be a long season for Plymouth Salem's basketball team — particularly if the rest of their games take as long to complete as Tuesday's opener at Monroe.

In what ended up being a turnover-filled free-throw shooting contest, the Trojans got the better of the Rocks from the line in claiming a 67-60 victory.

The loss overshadowed a fantastic season-opening performance by Salem junior Dave Hoskins, who hit up Monroe for 40 points — just three short of the school record of 43, set by Jim Ellinghausen in 1975-76. Hoskins also grabbed 12 rebounds while making 12-of-17 from the line, which was far better than his teammates fared.

In all, the two teams combined for 70 free-throw attempts, 45 of those coming in the fourth quarter. Monroe was 24-of-34 from the stripe (70.6 percent) while Salem made just 16-of-36 (44.4 percent).

"Seventy free throws in a game," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "I don't think I've ever coached a game with 70 free throws in it."

"If we'd shot better at the line. And we turned it over a ton. We had 33 turnovers."

Sounds like a formula for

See SALEM HOOP, D6

A young, new season

PCA will still be
young, but could
be a lot better, too

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After winning a few league championships, last season was hard to take for Plymouth Christian Academy's basketball team.

The Eagles struggled through a 6-15 campaign that included just one win in 10 Michigan Independent Athletic Conference games. "It was rough," admitted PCA coach Doug Taylor.

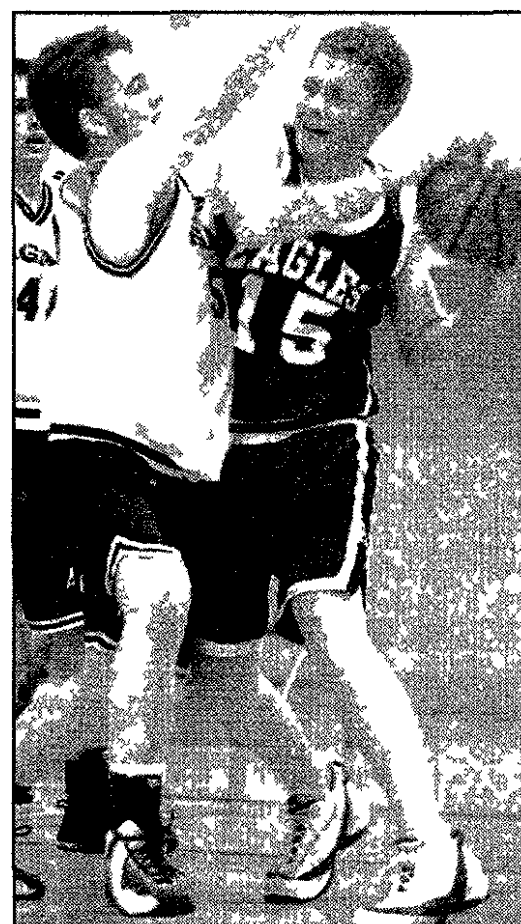
Things will be different this season, which PCA begins Friday at Melvindale. One reason is the loss of five key players from last year's team, including Tyler Williams, a senior this year who injured his knee playing for PCA's soccer team and will be lost for the season.

There are, however, players back with varsity experience. Most notable is Clay Welton, a 6-foot 3 junior who led PCA in scoring last season, averaging 16.7 points a game.

Welton did that while spending most of his time patrolling the post. Taylor figures that will change this season.

"He has (gotten better)," Taylor said of Welton. "He

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Looking for help: Clay Welton (15), PCA's leading scorer last year, should have more help this season.

FILE PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Top scorer's gone,
but Agape should
have a solid team

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In his first season as Canton Agape Christian's boys basketball coach, Chuck Henry showed why he was so successful for all those seasons at Wayne Memorial. Henry guided the Wolverines to 14-straight wins to start the season, eventually they finished at 15-5.

They did this despite relying on one player — Paul Anleitner — for their offense. Now Anleitner (he averaged 18 points a game last year) is gone, playing at the University of Michigan Dearborn.

Which would seem to be bad news for Agape. But with Henry in command, don't count on it.

Anleitner is the only significant loss from last season's squad. That's good news, but the better news is it's not all the good news.

Four transfers have joined the team, which is bound to make the Wolverines more versatile and far deeper.

But first the returnees. Back are seniors Josh Anthony, a 6-foot 1 forward, Paul Chrenko, a 6-3 post player, Rob Hough, a 5-9 guard, and Mike

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Despite losses, Shamrocks looking solid

BY RICHARD SHOOK
STAFF WRITER

Has Rick Coratti been taking secret classes at the Sparky Anderson School of Speaking?

"We're young," Coratti said of his 2001-2002 Redford Catholic Central basketball team, "but we're not."

How's that?
"We've got a lot of new players," Coratti said, "but a lot of them are seniors. And some of them got time in games during different situations last season on a pretty good team."

So the eighth-year coach of the Shamrocks is saying we should find something better to cry about than the plight of his basketball team.

Catholic Central lost four starters and

CC HOOP PREVIEW

five key players from a 17-4 team that had the misfortune of slamming into powerful Detroit Redford in the first game of the state high school basketball tournament last spring.

Gone are first team All-Area selection Ryan Celeskey, now on Schoolcraft College's team, second team All Area choice Mark Willoughby and third team pick Anthony Coratti. Willoughby and Coratti are playing football for Dayton and Canisius, respectively.

Key components also gone from that squad are Steve Larkin and Ryan Murphy.

But Coratti had a very deep bench

and several of those players return to help forwards Tom Jakacki (6-3) and Ryan Clark (6-2).

"Ryan Clark was a steady rebounder for us and Jakacki is a third-year starter and was the quarterback on our football team," Coratti said. "I expect him to be our top scorer."

The Shamrocks have a couple of other returning seniors, they're just not returning regulars.

"Jeff Niemiec (6-3) and Steve Wasil (6-2) are coming off good summers," Coratti said. "Both of them can really shoot the ball."

In addition, the Shamrocks feature prominent size for the first time since Chris Young took his slender 6-foot-9 frame up the road to the University of Michigan, where he is now a senior.

Coratti says he'll go easy on 6-foot-9 sophomore Dan Waterstradt. But if the youngster can carry the mail, have no doubt that his coach will put more letters in his pouch.

The coach says 6-foot-2 guard Jim Cash is another sophomore with a bankable outside shot.

Then there's Ryan Wroblewski (6-0), who caught the winning pass in CC's state football championship win over Urtca Eisenhower.

"Wroblewski is coming off a good football season and I'm looking for him to be our floor leader," Coratti said. "Waterstradt is tall but he's slender. We'll break him in easy and see how it goes."

"Cash is a pretty good shooter and we're looking to use him in some differ-

ent situations."

Junior guard Jared Henderson (6-1) could also play a prominent role.

How well Catholic Central does in the Catholic League will depend on how well and how quickly every team comes together.

"The Catholic League should be interesting this season," Coratti said. "Most of the teams were senior teams last year. It's hard to tell who's going to emerge."

"We have as good a chance as anyone. Warren DeLaSalle and Harper Woods Notre Dame have seniors. And when you've got seniors, it's pretty nice."

The Shamrocks have seniors. They're just relatively inexperienced seniors, for the most part.

Chiefs take title at Flushing

If there was any residual disappointment from the loss suffered to cross campus rival Plymouth Salem two days earlier, Plymouth Canton's wrestlers didn't show it when they traveled to the Flushing Round Robin Tournament Saturday.

On the contrary, the Chiefs seemed to funnel any dissatisfaction into a positive performance as they swept all five of their duals, beating Romeo 45-28, Mount Morris 57-16, Livonia Stevenson 41-23, Flushing 51-21 and Alpena 67-18.

Particularly impressive was senior Greg Musser, who earned five victories in the 145-pound division to give him an even 100 wins for his career. Among his victories was a pin in 1:48 of the defending state champ, Dan Siedzik of Romeo.

"Reaching 100 wins is a

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tremendous feat to accomplish, but pinning the state champ on that same day is what dreams are made of," said Canton coach John Demisick. "Greg comes from a wrestling family and I knew before his freshmen year that he was bound for great things."

"We wrestle hard in practice and Greg is really centering on his goals for the end of the season."

Several other Chiefs played important roles in guiding Canton to a first-place finish, especially the team's four captains: Musser, Doy Demisick (at 130), Chris Hosey (at 140) and Phil Rothwell (at 215). All four of them were 5-0 for the day, with Rothwell pinning all five of his opponents.

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played a lot over the summer. He's a good low post player, and he's improved his outside game and ball-handling. As big as he is, he's in great shape."

Welton was relegated to post play because, well, there was no one else with his size to handle the job. That will be different this season, even with the loss of John Sink, P J Woodman, Mike Atkinson and Travis Yonkman to graduation.

Although Taylor wouldn't say this team is better than last season's — "It's too early to tell" — he did say "we're quicker than last year and we're bigger than last year. We're hoping to be improved."

Joining Welton are four seniors with varsity experience, including Matt Gallagher, a 5-9 guard who transferred to PCA after playing the first semester last year at Allen Park Inter-City Baptist.

Other returning seniors are James Bauslaugh, a 5-8 guard, Eric Schultz, a 5-11 guard, and Mark Ericson, a 6-1 guard.

One player Taylor is hoping will move into the post, allowing Welton to move to a power forward position, is Ben Pew, a 6-4 junior who played on the junior varsity last season.

While the core of experienced players lends hope, it's the underclassmen that Taylor feels are most promising. "I'm real excited about our sophomore class," the PCA coach said. "We were young last year and we'll be young again."

Taylor is hoping that a couple of his younger players — sophomores Dan Carty, a 5-10 guard, Xander Younce, a 6-0 forward, Drew Gallagher, a 5-11 guard, Ben Baloga, a 5-11 guard, and freshman Aaron Ciborowski, a 6-3 post player — will contribute this season.

"Our sophomore class brings us better outside shooting," he said. "We're a bit improved everywhere. We're going to be an exciting team. I think we'll be competitive."

The talent of the younger players should make the Eagles deeper. Taylor is hopeful.

Ciborowski will join Pew in the post to relieve the pressure on Welton inside, and that improved perimeter shooting will loosen things up as well.

"I think (Welton) can be just as good" as Derric Isensee, PCA's all-star forward who led the Eagle teams of the late '90s. "He could break his scoring record. He has the potential to be that good."

Certainly this season will be a learning process for all members of the team as they search to find their roles. Taylor knows a lot will ride on team chemistry and "how the older guys handle the mix with the sophomores and freshmen. They have to accept their roles and they still have to lead us."

So far, it's been working. "Our team chemistry is what we're most proud of," he said. "If the Eagles blend together well, there will be no repeat of last season's 6-15 campaign. And the future of PCA basketball will again be bright."

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Ossana, a 6-0 forward. Also back from last season's varsity is sophomore Charlie Henry, the coach's son, who missed the first seven games last season with a broken arm. A 5-7 guard, Henry will start this season.

A pair of juniors — Matt Radcliff, a 6-1 post player, and Mike Bomarto, a 5-10 guard — who played for Agape's junior varsity last year should help quite a bit. And so should those four transfers. Two of them will be eligible immediately, the others will be eligible at the start of the winter semester next month.

Jeremiah Belton is a 5-5 senior guard from Garden City United whom Henry called "the quickest

kid I've ever coached, including at Wayne. The way he can steal basketballs is phenomenal."

Then there's Jordan Napier, a 6-1 sophomore and one of two transfers from Wayne Memorial. Napier is "just a player. He will start. Of all the transfers, he will have the most impact."

Both Belton and Napier are now available. Alec Tranowski, a 6-0 sophomore guard from Wayne, and John Estrada, a 5-9 sophomore guard from Redford Catholic Central, will be in the lineup in January.

Which gives Henry 11 players on his roster, four more than last year. And while Anleitner may be difficult to replace, Agape definitely has more people to pick

up the slack. "We're much better than last year depth-wise," said Henry. "It's really helpful in practice. Toward the end of last year, we had an injury and it was really difficult."

So — does that mean Agape, which remains a school without a league (the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference voted against its admission), will be better than last season?

"I think (we) could be better," answered Henry. "We have more kids that can contribute this year. And the first year is always the toughest as far as teaching the kids your system."

The Wolverines seemed to pick it up pretty well last season. If they've improved, if they "react

instead of thinking about it," as Henry put it, this team will definitely be better.

"We have a lot of different guys who can contribute offensively," said Henry. "Last year we were kind of a one-man show — we had to lean on Paul. This year more kids can contribute. Everything's looking up for this team."

Unfortunately, a lot of the Wolverines' opponents won't be looking up to them, simply due to their lack of size. With the 6-6 Chrenko their best post player, teams with size could be a major problem.

But as Henry said, "You can only coach the players you have. And he's done pretty well doing just that."

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Crusaders battle through 2 OTs, but victory goes to Mount Aloysius

In the end, Madonna University's men's basketball team fell one rally short

The Fighting Crusaders tied Mount Aloysius (Pa.) with a buzzer beating shot at the end of regulation, then tied the game again with a basket in the closing seconds of the first overtime. But they couldn't manage it a third time, losing to Mount Aloysius 105-102 Saturday in the consolation game of the Food for the Hungry Holiday Invitational in Mount Vernon, Ohio.

The loss left Madonna at 3-6. For Mount Aloysius, it was its first win after five losses this season.

The Crusaders were up 40-35 at the half and built a 10-point lead early in the second half. Mount Aloysius tied it at 57-all, however, with just under 10 minutes left in regulation, and it stayed close the rest of the way.

Mount Aloysius took a two-point lead on two free throws with eight seconds to play, but

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Madonna's Jimmy Woodworth put in a putback off an offensive rebound at the buzzer to knot it at 80-all and force overtime.

In the first extra session, the Crusaders were again down a basket when they called timeout with 13 seconds remaining. Steve Horn nailed the game-tying jumper with five seconds to go, and Tony Jancevski (from Plymouth Salem) blocked Mount Aloysius' last-second shot to force a second OT.

That, however, is where the magic ran out for Madonna. The Crusaders led by four early in the second OT, but Mount Aloysius scored seven in a row to go up by three.

A Jancevski basket with a minute to play put the Crusaders up 99-98, the final time they would lead.

Horn paced Madonna with 40

points, the second-highest total ever recorded in Crusader history. Noel Emenhiser added 19 points, eight rebounds and three assists. Woodworth totaled 12 points (on 5-of-6 shooting) and nine rebounds. Jancevski had nine points, five boards and three blocks, and Joe Kofahl got seven points and 10 rebounds.

Joe Lestochi led all scorers, netting 45 points for St. Aloysius, he also had five assists. Barry Kelleher added 21 points, Chuck Jackson scored 17 and Bill Ferguson netted 11.

Madonna plays at the Bethel College Tournament in South Bend, Ind., Friday and Saturday.

Schoolcraft 63, Albion JV: 49: Mike Williams scored 16 points and Emir Medunjanin added 12 on Nov. 29 as the Ocelots improved their record to 7-0.

Schoolcraft College was placed 15th in the latest national junior college rankings.

After a slow start, Madonna rallies but can't quite catch 7th-ranked St. Francis

It was a valiant comeback, but in the end it went for naught.

Madonna University's women's basketball team found itself trailing the University of St. Francis 51-30 with 17 minutes left. But the Lady Crusaders rallied and, with 3:42 to play, Kathy Panganis nailed a 16-foot jumper to cap a 37-15 run that gave Madonna a 67-66 lead.

Unfortunately, it was the last time the Crusaders would lead, although they kept close to St. Francis the rest of the game. In the end, however, the host Cougars — ranked seventh in the NAIA — held on for a 78-74 win Saturday in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Madonna slipped to 5-3 with the loss. St. Francis is 9-1.

A poor first half left the Crusaders trailing, 45-28. Lindsay Simmon and Panganis sparked the second-half comeback. Simmon finished with a game-high 23 points and 10 rebounds, making 10-of-14 floor shots. Panganis

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is scored 22 points, grabbed five rebounds and was 9-of-16 shooting — including 3-for-3 on three-pointers. Madonna was 5-for-5 on threes in the game, leaving the question: "Why not try a few more?"

Tera Morrill (from Westland/Livonia Franklin) came off the bench to score 10 points and Carissa Gzicki had eight. St. Francis, which has beaten teams from the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference 27 times in a row and has a 21-game home winning streak, got 18 points from Nikole Behnke, 16 from Kera Moore, and 10 apiece from Megan Eckert and Carrie Stone.

The Crusaders shot well, connecting on 28-of-57 floor shots (49.1 percent) to St. Francis' 33-of-72 (45.8 percent). They also outrebounded the Cougars, 28-26.

But they couldn't quite outscore them.

Schoolcraft 69, Olive Harvey CC 64: A strong second-half performance allowed Schoolcraft College to overcome a 27-25 half-time deficit and beat host Olive Harvey CC Friday in Chicago.

The win improved SC's record to 5-2. The Lady Ocelots are ranked ninth in the NJCAA.

SC rallied to outscore Olive Harvey 44-37 in the second half. Devin Francois paced the Ocelots with 23 points, Keysa Hamilton had 17 and Kelly Grenan (from Redford Thurston) scored 14.

SC hosts the Schoolcraft College Invitational Friday and Saturday, with Kalamazoo Valley CC meeting Sinclair CC at 6 p.m. and SC going against St. Clair College of Windsor at 8 p.m. Friday. The consolation game is 1 p.m. Saturday, followed by the championship at 3 p.m.

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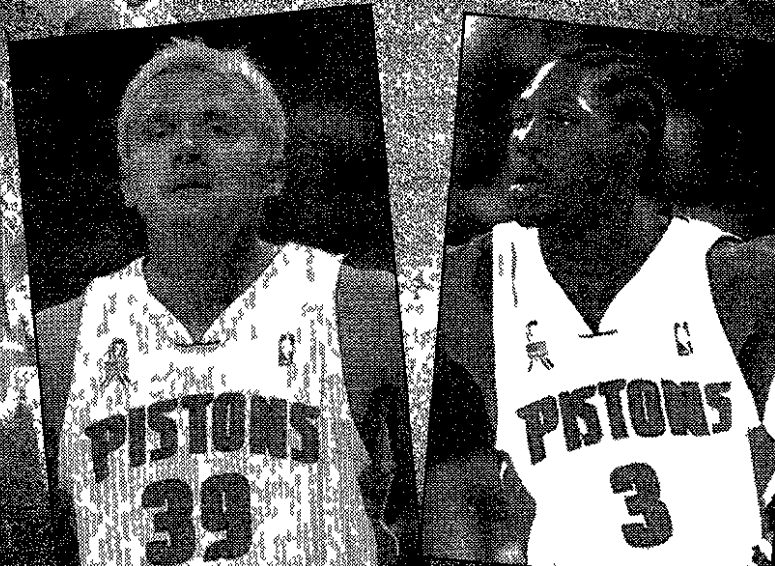
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 Garden City at Divine Child 7 p m
 Thurston at Tay Kennedy 7 p m
 A A Huron at Canton 7 p m
 Bishop Borgess at Det Comm 7 p m
 C ville at St Agatha 7 30 p m
 Ply Christian at Melvindale 7 p m

(Luth Westland Tip-Off Classic)
 Luth North vs Luth N west 5 30 p m
 Luth W sid vs Luth East 7 p m
Saturday, Dec 8
 Luth W sid Tip-Off 5 & 7 p m
 Mich Lutheran Tourney TBA

(Country Day Showcase)
 N Farm vs Lathrup 3 30 p m
 Farmington vs Country Day 5 p m
 Redford CC vs Det King 7 p m

PREP GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Thursday, Dec 6
 Franklin Rd at Ply Christian 7 p m
Saturday, Dec 8
 Troy Athens Tourney 8 a m

Farmington Inv 8 a m
 Portage No Tourney 8 30 a m
 Luth North Triangular 9 a m
 Monroe Invitational TBA

PREP WRESTLING
Thursday Dec 6
 John Glenn at Adrian 5 p m
 Annapolis at Wayne 6 30 p m
Friday Dec 7
 AP IC Bapt at C ville 6 p m
Saturday, Dec 8
 Salem Tournament 8 a m
 Garden City Tourney 9 30 a m

PREP BOYS SWIMMING
Saturday Dec 8

EMU Invitational 9 a m
 EMU Classic 1 p m

PREP HOCKEY
Thursday Dec 6
 Red Unified vs Woodhaven
 at Redford Ice Arena 7 45 p m
Friday Dec 7
 Salem at South Lyon 6 p m
 Churchill vs Franklin
 at Edgar Arena 6 p m
 Canton vs Farm Unified
 at Farm Hills Arena 7 30 p m
 Stevenson vs W L Central
 at Lakeland Arena 8 20 p m
Saturday Dec 8
 Red Unified at Carlson 7 p m

Redford CC vs Park Tudor (Ind)
 at Redford Ice Arena 8 p m
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 at Lakeland Ice Arena 8 20 p m

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Friday Dec 7
 Madonna vs Bethel (Ind)
 at Bethel Tourney 8 p m
Saturday Dec 8
 Bethel (Ind) Tourney noon & 4 p m
 Schoolcraft at Kirtland 3 p m

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Friday Dec 7
 Madonna vs Edinboro (Pa)
 at Edinboro Classic 5 30 p m

(Schoolcraft Invitational)
 K zoo Valley vs Cincy St 6 p m
 S craft vs So Maryland 8 p m
Saturday, Dec 8
 Madonna vs Seton Hill (Pa)
 at Edinboro Classic noon
 S craft Invitational 1 & 3 p m

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday Dec 7
 Whalers vs Sarnia Sting
 at Compuware Arena 7 30 p m
Saturday Dec 8
 Whalers at Sarnia 7 30 p m
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - NOVEMBER 27, 2001

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday November 27 2001 at 1150 South Canton Center Road Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7 04 p m and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Members Present Bennett, Burdzyak, Kirchgatter LaJoy McLaughlin Shefferly, Yack
 Staff Present Director Conklin Director Durack Director Machnik Director Minghine, Director Santomauro

Motion by Bennett seconded by LaJoy to approve the agenda as presented Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 13 2001 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Kirchgatter supported by LaJoy to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried unanimously

Expenditure Recap for November 27, 2001

General Fund	101	\$353,743.16	Cap Proj-		
Fire Fund	206	\$ 35,184.25	Summit Constr	402	\$455,738.91
Police Fund	207	\$ 96,314.63	Cap Proj-		
Summit			Road Paving	403	\$418,376.14
Operating	208	\$ 45,828.07	Bldg Auth		
Golf Fund	211	\$ 40,299.55	Construction	469	\$171,658.25
Cable TV Fund	230	\$ 1,959.42	Water & Sewer		
Community			Fund	592	\$650,106.45
Improvement	246	\$350,565.50	Koppermck		
E-911 Utility	261	\$ 4,479.86	Corporate	862	\$ 77.00
Auto Forfeiture			Tonquish Creek		
(WVATEE)	287	\$ 181.87	Storm	864	\$ 98.00
Federal Grants			S Haggerty Rd.		
Fund	274	\$ 54.00	Paving	865	\$ 175.00
Auto Theft Grant	289	\$ 98,209.85	Total All Funds		2,807,262.89
Downtown Dev					
Authority	294	\$ 84,215.18			

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to reappoint Mary Jan Weidenbach Vera Lieberman and Susan Wooley to the Canton CDBG Advisory Council for additional two year terms from January 1 2002 through December 31 2003 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the Water & Sewer Fund to increase overtime

Increase (Decrease) Appropriations

Overtime	#592 441 708 0000	\$20 000
Maintenance & Repair Sewer Lines	#592 441 935 0000	(20,000)
TOTAL		\$ 0

This budget amendment does not increase or decrease the Water & Sewer Fund Budget Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to re appoint Karl Zarbo to the Canton Township Planning Commission, term to expire December 31, 2004 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to re appoint Daniel R. Amann (D) and Dr Clifford A. McClumpha (R) to the Canton Township Election Board of Canvassers for four years terms expiring December 31 2005 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the attached budget amendments for the Special Investigative Funds 266 267 and 289

Fund 266 Western Wayne Narcotics Forfeiture Fund		Increase (Decrease)
Wages Clerical Staff	266 333 705 0000	(\$10,000.00)
Overtime	266 333-708 0000	25,000.00
Salary Reimbursement	266 333 715 0000	11,348.00
Fringe Benefits	266 333 720-0000	(1,000.00)
Office Operations	266 333 727 0000	2,970.00
Investigative Expenses	266 333 740 0000	(2,500.00)
Forfeiture Expenses	266 333 800 0000	355.00
Vehicle Lease and Repair	266 333 932 0000	12,261.00
Tramming	266-333 951 0000	(2,000.00)
Fund Balance Appropriation	266 000 699 0000	\$36,434.00
Fund 267 Auto Theft Forfeiture Fund		
Wages Clerical Staff	267-333 705 0000	(\$10,000.00)
Fringe Benefits	267 333 720 0000	(550.00)
Investigative Supplies	267 333 740 0000	762.00
Membership Dues	267 333 805 0000	125.00
Communications	267 333 850 0000	200.00
Vehicle Reimbursement	267 333 860 0000	20,000.00
Printing & Duplicating	267 333 900 0000	(100.00)
Office Maintenance	267 333 931 0000	480.00
Maintenance & Repair Equip	267 333 932 0000	100.00
Tramming	267 333 951 0000	2,700.00
Sundry	267 333 956 0000	600.00
Equipment	267-333 977 0000	(3,900.00)
Fund Balance Appropriation	267 000 699 0000	\$10,417.00
Fund 289 Special Investigative Grant		
Wages Clerical Staff	289 333 705 0000	\$5 100.00
Fringe Benefits	289 333 720 0000	(\$5 100.00)

Motion carried unanimously

General Calendar
 Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy that the Canton Board of Trustees commemorate the life and contributions of Dr Martin Luther King by closing the general government offices for business on the third Monday of each January in honor of Dr Martin Luther King On the day the general Township staff will be engaged in a series of professional development activities Motion carried unanimously
 Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request of the project sponsor, Biltmore Properties to grand final approval of the Uptown Cherry Hill Village Planned Development

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Final Approval for the Uptown Cherry Hill Planned Development

WHEREAS the Project Sponsor Biltmore Properties has proposed the development of a 73.4 acre commercial and residential Planned Development to be known as Uptown Cherry Hill Village located between Denton and Ridge Roads south of Saltz Road and north of Cherry Hill Road, identified as Tax EDP#s 072 99 0003 000 072 99 0004 000, 072 99 0015 000 072 99 0016 000 072 99 0017 000 072 99 0022 000 and part of parcel no 067 99 0011 000 and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission, at a public hearing reviewed the proposed Final Planned Development District and recommended final approval of the Uptown Cherry Hill Village Planned Development conditioned upon final agreement of the road intersection and streetscape improvement phasing and funding and based on the following findings of fact as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation

- The proposed development is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and furthers the specific development goals of the Cherry Hill Area Development Plan, and
- The proposed development provides a definite benefit through its unique design housing and commercial opportunities and design elements which meet the goals for development in the Cherry Hill Area Development Plan,
- Common open space equal to 25% or more of the land area has been provided which meets the requirement for a Planned Development
- The transportation network provides for an extension of the existing County network and provides internal connection to maintain a unified development pattern

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does APPROVE the request of the project sponsor Biltmore Properties, to grant final approval of the Uptown Cherry Hill Village Planned Development as outlined above

Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to authorize the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to sign the Canton Community Storm Water Pollution Prevention Initiative dated November 2001 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Inter-Agency Agreement between Wayne County and Canton Township for the study and design of Recreational Trails along the Lower Rouge River Watershed Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the bid for the Renovation and Expansion of the Public Works Facility located at 4867 Sheldon Road to The Garrison Company including Bid Alternates A and B, for \$1,809,000.00 plus a 10 percent project contingency of \$180,900 for a total budget of \$1,989,900.00 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to introduce the First Reading of Ordinance No 152 repealing Beautification Commission Ordinance No 147 and move to table the First Reading of Ordinance No 152 repealing Ordinance No 147 for publication in the Canton Observer on December 6 2001 Motion carried unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO 147 SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 152

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMISSION ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. 147; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO 147; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 147.

This section provides that Ordinance No 147 the Charter Township of Canton Beautification Commission Ordinance be and is hereby repealed

SECTION 2 REPEAL

This section provides that all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance except as herein provided are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY

This section provides that should any provision or section of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining provision or sections Motion By Bennett second by Shefferly to table for first reading the Community Excellence Ordinance No 153 for publication on December 6 2001 Motion carried unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON SUMMARY OF COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NO 153

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CANTON COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE, PROVIDING FOR THE GENERAL PURPOSE, PROVIDING FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CANTON COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE; PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS, PROVIDING FOR MEETINGS, PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES IN THE OPERATION OF THE COUNCIL, PROVIDING FOR THE FILING OF AN ANNUAL REPORT; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS

SECTION 1 GENERAL PURPOSE

This section provides for recommendations by the Council to the Township Board for enhancement of the Township projects that support the vision of excellence and acknowledgment of enhancement of community excellence projects

SECTION 2. CANTON COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY EXCELLENCE

This section establishes the Canton Council for Community Excellence whose actions and authority are limited to the purposes as set forth in Section 1

SECTION 3 MEMBERSHIP

This section provides for 11 members appointed by the Supervisor and approved by the Board of Trustees term office, termination quorum conduct of business and liaison with the Township Board

SECTION 4 ELECTION AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

This section provides for the election and duties of officers of the Council

SECTION 5. MEETINGS

This section provides for conduct of meetings require compliance with the Open Meetings Act a schedule of meetings and special meetings

SECTION 6 PROCEDURES AND COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

This section provides for annual reports to the Board of Trustees

SECTION 7 ANNUAL REPORT.

This section provides for annual reports to the Board of Trustees

SECTION 8 REPEAL.

This section provides that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect

SECTION 9. SEVERABILITY.

This Section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance

SECTION 10. SAVINGS CLAUSE

This Section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance

SECTION 11- PUBLICATION

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE

This section provides that the ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required by law

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 during regular business hours

Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak to approve the renovation of the 2nd floor kitchen in the Public Safety facility and award the contract to Venture Kitchen & Bath Canton MI for a cost of \$9,844.60 with a contingency of \$1,000.00 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to waive the Townships bidding procedures and approve the temporary agreement with Cleannet Cleaning Services for cleaning the Summit on the Park Community Center for \$6,057 per month and further that the contract will increase to \$6,215 per month when the new Summit locker rooms are opened Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the price quote submitted by National Wholesale Printing Corporation for \$9,964.59 for printing of the 2002 Service Directory and Calendar Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase order for four scoreboards for Canton Softball Center from AGS in the amount of \$9,595.00 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 8 50 PM Motion carried unanimously

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday November 27, 2001 The full text of the approved minutes including comments will be available following the next regular board meeting held on December 11 2001

THOMAS J YACK Supervisor TERRY G BENNETT Clerk

Publish, December 6 2001

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION 2002 MEETING SCHEDULE

At the Meeting of November 19 2001 the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton adopted the following meeting schedule for 2002

January 7 January 28 February 4 February 18 March 4, March 18, April 1 April 15 May 6 May 20 June 3 June 17 July 1, July 15, August 12, August 26 September 9 September 23 October 7 October 21 November 18 December 2 and December 16 2002

The meetings will be held at 7 00 p m in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Administration Building 1150 S Canton Center Road

VIC GUSTAFSON
 Chairman

Publish December 6 2001

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2001 7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following

PUBLIC HEARING FOR REVISED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT.

WILCOX PROPERTY 676 PENNIMAN AVE. ZONED PUC, PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT APPLICANT WILCOX DEVELOPMENT CORP

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

Carol Stone ADA Coordinator
 201 S Main Street
 Plymouth MI 48170
 (734) 453 1234 Ext 206

All interested persons are invited to attend

Publish December 2 and December 6 2001

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 168 of the Public Acts of 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, January 7 2002 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

CANTON LAND DEVELOPMENT/CANTON TOWNSHIP FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP FROM VERY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 1 DWELLING UNIT/ACRE) TO LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (UP TO 2 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE) FOR PARCEL NOS 078 99 0009 701 078 99 0009 702 078 99 0009 703 AND PART OF PARCEL NOS 067 99 0004 701 067 99 0008 000 AND 067 99 0011 000 Property is located north and south of Cherry Hill Road between Denton/Ridge and Beck Roads

ZONING MAP SECTION 17 & 20

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday January 3 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review

VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman

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What if . . .

So what would happen if we staged our own football playoffs?



PAUL BEAUDRY

By all rights, we should be done with high school football.

In theory, that ended the night of Nov. 24 in the Silverdome with Farmington Harrison and Redford Catholic Central winning state championships and Clarenceville advancing to the finals.

Being inquisitive, we started wondering what would happen if the two local state champions met for a title. After all, even though everyone thinks Harrison is the greatest team since the 1986 Chicago Bears, you still have to play the games.

Then that list expanded to Clarenceville, since the Trojans also played in the Silverdome.

We also tried to come up with a fourth team to make a pure playoff out of it. Naturally, we couldn't think of just one, so we've expanded it to six teams.

So we give you now, in the great tradition of the Bowl Championship Series, the Observer Championship Series — mostly hypothetical, purely in fun. Yes, some teams haven't played in three weeks. Some players are still licking their wounds.

But if you asked any player or coach if they'd want to be a part of this, they'd do it in a heartbeat.

The two state champs — Division 3 Harrison (14-0) and Division 1 CC (11-3) are our No. 1 and 2 seeds and get first-round byes. Division 5 runner-up Clarenceville (13-1) weighs in as our third seed, while Division 1 regional finalist John Glenn (9-3) is the fourth seed. Canton (9-2) a Division 1 district finalist, is the fifth seed, while Division 8 regional finalist Bishop Borgess (10-2) is the sixth and final seed.

As always, this is purely for entertainment value. And remember, no gambling of any kind is allowed.

FIRST ROUND GAME 1 Bishop Borgess at Clarenceville

Two different teams take the field at Clarenceville. The Spartans are very rested from their three-week layoff since getting waxed by Division 8 champion Mendon. The Trojans are still shell-shocked from their 49-0 loss to Jackson Lumen Christi.

And at first, Borgess takes over — using a 21-yard touchdown run by Darryl Anglin and 2-yard run by Jason Smith — for

a 12-0 lead by the half. But in the second half, Clarenceville comes out of its funk. Steve Meadows picks off a DeJuan Kea pass and returns it for a touchdown and Pete Shaw's extra point cuts it to 12-7.

Coach Greg Hudkins pulls a trick out of his bag, pulls off an inside kick and, two plays later, Tim Shaw rambles 42 yards for a score and a 14-12 lead.

In the final minute Borgess drives down to the Trojans' 22 with a first and 10. Three straight runs go nowhere and on fourth down, Kea's pass is just tipped away from Gordon Pierre at the goal-line by Jeff Fioretti, allowing Clarenceville to advance with a 14-12 win.

FIRST ROUND GAME 2 Plymouth Canton at Westland John Glenn

Two of the top teams in the Western Lakes have to wait until December for their first meeting and it's worth the wait.

Once again, John Glenn's offense sputters early in the game and the Rockets punt on every first-half possession. But their defense makes up for what the offense lacks and holds Canton to just a 24-yard field goal by Dutch Morrell.

The Chiefs make it 10-0 in the third quarter with Reggie Joiner shaking a tackle and scoring on a 25-yard run.

But in the fourth quarter, John Glenn finally gets untracked, scoring on the first play of the period when Brian Ceckiewicz hits Andrew Peiffer on a 42-yard post pattern. The defense holds Canton on the next series, and three plays later, Ceckiewicz and Peiffer hook up again on a 35-yard score as Glenn holds on for a 14-10 win.

SEMIFINAL GAME 1 Clarenceville vs Catholic Central

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR
THE COUNTY OF WAYNE
FAMILY DIVISION

R.J. JENKINS P 15486 Attorney 38580
Five Mile Road Livonia Michigan 48154
PATRICIA J. McMILLEN Plaintiff vs
LESLIE RAYMOND McMILLEN Defendant

EX PARTE ORDER FOR SUBSTITUTE SERVICE

At a session of said Court held in the City of Detroit Wayne County Michigan on November 14, 2001.

Upon the Plaintiff's ex parte verified Motion for Substitute Service the Court being fully advised:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Plaintiff be allowed to effect constitutional service of here Complaint for Divorce against Leslie Raymond McMullen by publishing a copy of this Order allowing substituted service in a newspaper established published and circulated in Wayne County Michigan for three consecutive weeks and by mailing a copy of this Order to the Defendant by registered mail return receipt requested and by ordinary mail both addressed to his last known address. This should be accomplished before the last publication.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Defendant is hereby notified that he has 28 days from the date of final publication of this Order to file an answer or take other action as permitted by law at the Wayne County Circuit Court located at Two Woodward Avenue Detroit Michigan 48226.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a failure to file such an answer or take other action as permitted by law within the time specified above may result in a default being granted and the Plaintiff being granted a Judgment for the relief requested.

LITA MASINI POPKE Circuit Judge
CATHY M. GARRETT Wayne County Clerk
Prepared by R.J. Jenkins P 15486 Attorney
at Law 33580 Five Mile Road Livonia Michigan 48154 (734) 427-3060

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at RU's Kraft Field. With a week off to rest and nurse their wounds, the Shamrocks jump out to a 28-7 lead in the first half as Derek Brooks scores on TD runs of 10, 4 and 42 yards, while Mike Banaszak scored from the 3.

Meanwhile, the Trojans can't get untracked — turning the ball over three times inside their own 25, scoring only when Tim Shaw breaks three tackles en route to a 92-yard TD run.

The second half is a punting battle. A slight rain turns Kraft Field into a swamp and neither team can get footing and the game is played between the 30s as CC moves into the finals with a 28-7 win.

SEMIFINAL GAME 2 John Glenn at Harrison

The rematch of the Western Lakes title game proves to be no match again.

Glenn gamely tries to hang with the Hawks, but winds up getting shut out 38-0 with Marcus Woods rushing for TDs of 10 and 2 yards and Drew Stanton running for an 8-yard score and passing for two more TDs to Agim Shabay.

However, Stanton wrenches a knee when he's sacked by Will Kennedy and has to leave the game in the third quarter. With second-string quarterback Jake Ghannam unable to play the spot thanks to a fractured wrist, Shabay finishes out the game — with Stanton questionable for the finals.

FINALS Catholic Central vs. Harrison

Trying to find a place to host the game proved harder than

trying to win the semifinal.

For starters, we wanted to make it a neutral site. Clarenceville and Glenn both laughed when we asked them to host the game, saying if they couldn't make the finals, they weren't hosting the game. Kraft Field was a mess, Plymouth-Canton schools declined, saying they wanted to save the grass for soccer.

Livonia Public Schools administrators felt that activities such as a championship would set a dangerous precedent for their middle school students, who are only allowed to play intramural sports. Thurston didn't want to rent the field out and Garden City administrators said that they didn't want to rent the field for a game with a Redford school.

Finally, one school came forward — Bishop Borgess and its tall-grass, no-crown, dips and ruts, no-stands, can-only-kick-to-one goalpost field.

"We could use the concession money to fix the field," said Borgess athletic director Rodney Geter. "And besides, we can use the gate money to fix the fence that surrounds the field."

A standing-room only crowd of 2,000 surrounded the field at Borgess expecting to watch a battle for the ages. But Stanton's knee places him on crutches, Shabay moves to quarterback and Mike Bartley takes his place at flanker.

CC isn't unscathed either. Ryan Rogowski tried coming back from surgery too soon and he is replaced at linebacker and wingback.

In the first half, the only points come from Shabay on a

quarterback draw — bursting 32 yards up the middle for the score. Faced with the option of walking the length of the field to kick the extra point (since a decent kicker will boot an extra point into the Detroit Diesel parking lot at the north end zone), Harrison coach John Herrington decides to go for two points but the try falls short.

CC moves down smartly in the opening drive of the third quarter, but has to settle for a 28-yard field goal by Jason Gingell (with the ball retrieved by a plant worker) to cut the lead to 6-3.

Neither team is able to move the ball well — a combination of two titans slugging it out and a field that makes almost as many stops as the defense. But with three minutes to play, CC's Dan Moore picks off a pass. The Shamrocks pass their way down the field to the 20 with three sec-

onds left. Gingell gets sent in to try to field goal to send the game into OT. The snap is perfect, the hold is good, the kick is sound but Ghannam breaks through the line, gets a cast into a bit of the ball and the try is just wide as time runs out and Harrison takes the whole enchilada with a 6-3 win.

"I give Jake all the credit in the world," said Herrington. "If he doesn't have a broken wrist we don't win this game. This is an outstanding game between two outstanding teams."

"Who ever would have thought that a game like this would have come down to a field goal?" Bet you didn't either.

Beaudry is the Redford Garden City sports editor for the Observer and can be reached at (734) 953-2106 or by e-mail at pbeaudry@oe.homecomm.net

Dickens Olde Fashioned Christmas Festival

November 23, 24, 25
December 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23
Saturdays 1-7pm, Sundays 1-5pm


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Food merchants dressed in period costumes will serve hot & hearty delights. Local shops are filled with gifts for everyone on your holiday shopping list. Experience traveling musicians, carolers, jugglers and Father Christmas among the strolling Dickens characters. After strolling through 40 specialty and antique shops you'll find a carriage ride the perfect ending to a fine day!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARADE
The parade features Santa, his live reindeer floats decorated in the old fashioned look keeping in tradition with the Dickens era. After the parade, the reindeer will be in a tent next to Joseph's Oak Shop on Saginaw St. for the children to get an up close look.

DOWNTOWN DECORATIONS
Decorations on shops in downtown Holly reflect the decorations popular during the time of Dickens in England. There are lights on trees, buildings and lamp posts, cedar garlands on buildings and light posts also decorated with haws in burgandy and gold. In the middle of downtown is the big Christmas tree decorated with the handwork of Holly children.

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Canton hoop *from D1*

(Wayne's biggest player: 6-foot-3; Canton's: 6-7) clawing away at each other so that neither team would lead by more than five. And the Chiefs didn't lead by that much until the final 30 seconds.

A Brendan Murphy basket late in the third quarter had given Canton a 35-34 lead entering the fourth. The Zebras quickly overcame that, forcing the Chiefs to commit three turnovers while nailing three of their first four shots to pull ahead by five.

Those final six minutes, however, belonged to Canton. While there were mistakes (eight fourth-quarter turnovers), the Chiefs made more than enough big plays to offset them.

Starting with a three-pointer drilled by Jason Priebe with 2:20 left to play. That put Canton ahead to stay, 42-41.

After that, it turned into a free-throw battle — and the Chiefs won. Wayne, which missed its final six shots from the floor, was 2-for-5 from the line. Canton converted 5-of-6 from the stripe.

Priebe paced the Chiefs' fourth-quarter effort, scoring

five points in the period to finish with 11 for the game. Billy Gazzsi led Canton with 12. Murphy and Steve Thornton scored eight apiece.

Wayne was paced by Jonathan Raspberry's nine points. McClain and Jeff Logwood contributed eight apiece.

Raspberry and McClain combined to score nine points in the first quarter as Wayne took an 11-9 lead. Canton battled back to tie it at 20-all at the half. Priebe's two free throws with 28 seconds remaining knotting it. It didn't change in the second half, neither team led by more than three until the fourth quarter.

Shooting, a concern for Rheault entering the season, remained one after the game. Canton was 6-of-19 from the field in the first half and just 15-of-40 (37.5 percent) for the game. Wayne, however, wasn't any better, making 16-of-43 for the game (37.2 percent). The Zebras also converted just 8-of-16 free throws (50 percent) to Canton's 15-of-21 (71.4 percent).

No, this game was far from perfect. But at least it was a win.

NATURE NOTES



TIM NOWICKI

Christmas present shopping time has arrived. Time to think of something special that will delight the recipient. If you know someone that is interested in nature, here are a few suggestions that won't cost you an arm and a leg.

■ Earlier this year I reviewed the new David Sibley Field Guide to Birds. It has become a new benchmark in field identification books. The consistent format throughout the book makes it easy to use. Paintings of each species in different plumages and geographic variations, and while in flight, are unique to field guides on the market.

All this information makes it a larger book than most field guides, but it is worth while to use as a reference for those unusual individuals encountered. This book is definitely a worthy addition to a naturalist's library.

■ More recently Sibley has come out with a book on Bird Life and Behavior. The first part of the book is a brief but very up to date discussion of bird biolo-

gy. Text covers interesting facts about birds that would be interesting to the general public. Most of the book deals with the behavior of various groups of birds found in the United States. Identifying birds is only part of the fun of birding, knowing what they are doing when you see them adds another dimension to your enjoyment.

■ Memberships to conservation/birding/natural history organizations is another gift that keeps on giving throughout the entire year. The Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology is a great organization that has initiated many programs that involve amateurs like you and me.

They have a nice publication and a very informative newsletter outlining results of research. Contact them at 159 Sapsucker Woods Ithaca NY 14850 1999 or at <http://birds.cornell.edu>

■ The National Wildlife Federation and the Nature Conservancy are two groups that work hard at education and preservation of natural areas. Their publications are beautiful and informative.

One of the most informative publications is "Natural History" magazine published by the American Museum of Natural History. Researchers conducting the actual study write in a popular vein about their discoveries and insight. A multitude of species and

subjects are discussed. I find my copies hard to discard because they are so informative.

You can search these organizations on the web or visit their publications in the library for subscription information.

■ Getting out in the field is one of the most important aspects of enjoying nature. But if you are not comfortable while in the field, its hard to enjoy the experience. Using good equipment to make yourself comfortable is very important.

Give someone a gift certificate to a store with a good outdoor boot selection. Warm, dry feet are very important in the field. Waterproof boots with a supportive sole will make both trail and off trail walking uneventful.

Combine good boots with a fanny pack or other container for field guides, snacks and water, and you have extended the time you can be out in the field. A fanny pack is big enough for lots of gear, yet is out of the way most of the time.

Comfortable clothing for layering will also make the varying conditions from early morning to mid afternoon more enjoyable. Good places to find clothing and gear are backpacking stores or hunting equipment stores. They have clothes designed for the field. A gift certificate to Cabella's, Bass Pro Shops, REI or the Benchmark would afford many options.

Salem hoop *from page D1*

disaster, except Monroe had 29 turnovers. Salem led 17-11 after one quarter, but the Trojans outscored the Rocks 22-9 in the second to take a 33-26 halftime lead. But Salem turned the tables in the third period with an 18-10 run to take a 44-43 lead entering the fourth.

It didn't last, however. The Rocks' victory hopes suffered a further setback when Hoskins joined teammate Brady Pastalanec on the bench with two minutes to play after fouling out.

"He played very well," said Brodie of Hoskins' effort. "He took it to the basket well and his free throws were good."

But too many other things went wrong, like the turnovers and missed opportunities at the line. "We just didn't play position defense very well," Brodie concluded.

No other Rock joined Hoskins in double figures in points. Pastalanec was next best with seven. Monroe got 25 points from Mike Leach and eight from Pat Sharrow.

Salem will have a little time to

work on its problems. The Rocks don't play until Tuesday, when they host Belleville.

World Outreach 54, Agape 49: The Wolverines got behind and couldn't catch up.

Detroit World Outreach scored the first 10 points of Tuesday night's season opener and went on to defeat visiting Canton Agape Christian.

"We shot 27 percent from the floor," Agape coach Chuck Henry said. "That's the big thing. We did not shoot well at all."

"Plus they had two big guys, transfers from (Detroit) Cooley, and they combined for 31 points."

The Wolverines clawed their way back and only trailed 28-27 at halftime, but were outscored by four in the third period.

Josh Anthony led Agape with 20 points. The Wolverines went 11-for-18 from the line.

Lorenzo Matthews led World Outreach, which made 7-of-8 free throws, with 17 points. Glen Stockton added 14 and Wendell Claxton 10.

Whalers *from page D1*

third (Daman Surma and Jared Newman assisted).

Jason Bacashihua had 22 saves in goal for the Whalers, Scott Dickie made 21 stops for Kitchener.

On Friday, the Whalers used three third-period scores to post their 4-1 win over the Brampton Battalion at Compuware. John Mitchell got the first third-period goal (and the game winner) at 6:26 (assisted by Karl Stewart and Newman) after Brampton's Aaron VanLehson had tied it

with a power-play goal at 1:30 of the third.

Insurance goals came from Yeo, on the power play at 14:25 (from Tim Sestito and Weiss), and from Surma at 17:07 (from LaRose and Dan McDonald).

The Whalers' first goal was scored by Weiss (from Sestito and Labor Ustrnul) at 8:21 of the first period. Paul Drew had 16 saves for the Whalers, Brad Topping made 34 stops for the Battalion.

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REAL ESTATE QUERIES



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Q: Can the city do something about aesthetically displeasing cell towers?

A In a recent case, the court held that a tower that denied a permit for a cellular phone tower for aesthetic reasons didn't violate the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996

However, in a case, on somewhat dissimilar facts, it was held that a 199-foot cell tower cannot be rejected in a rural area where just one family complained. This is an emerging area of law, and the city should be prepared to make a record as to the aesthetic problems caused by the tower and be prepared to deal with the problem.

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RANDAL MASTERS/STAFF ARTIST

Pets, home sales don't mix

BY NORMAN PRADY
SPECIAL WRITER

"Here, kitty kitty! Here, kitty kitty!"

There goes the cat down the street, and there goes Carol Wesley after it.

Not that chasing cats is Wesley's regular job. No, Wesley is a Realtor and she came to this house to show it to a prospective buyer.

Unlock the door, push it open and the cat is off like a bat. In a flash of feline fur Wesley leaves the real estate business and becomes a wild animal tamer.

Of this unintended secondary career, Wesley, who works at RE/MAX Village Professionals, said "I've chased cats, and I'm not too keen on doing that."

"I now know how to enter a door so a cat doesn't escape. Put one foot in first, then put my head in and see where the cat is and shoo him away," she said.

The cat runs because of its natural "flight mechanism" when the safety of its home is being compromised, said Dr. Jules DePorre of DePorre Veterinary Hospital.

The fleeing cat, though, is just one member of the animal kingdom that real estate salespeople must sometimes deal with. And the real problem, they'll tell you, is not that the cat runs but that the cat smells.

Well, not so much that the cat smells but that the house smells because of the cat. And, they'll tell you, a house with a smell is harder to sell.

One of Keith Becker's customers was interested in the house they were looking at, but the family dog was locked in a bedroom, causing the room to remain

■ 'We've gone into houses that reeked so bad of cat odor that you couldn't walk farther than the living room before you wanted to turn and walk out.'

Keith Becker

Century 21 Row, Livonia

unseen.

Becker, a sales associate with Century 21 Row, Livonia, said that before he could make arrangements to go back, the house had been sold.

Becker has had difficulties with dogs in the back yard, preventing him from showing prospects all around the outside of the house.

Becker ranks cat odor high on the list of impediments to home sales. "We've gone into houses that reeked so bad of cat odor that you couldn't walk farther than the living room before you wanted to turn and walk out."

Sometimes, said Ted Martin, "You can't get rid of the scent going through the carpet into the hardwood." Martin, owner/broker, Coldwell Banker Legacy, Westland, said he knew of a case where "they even had to take up the flooring."

"It's about like when you walk into a house where someone smokes."

Well, how about uncaged birds?

Martin recalled a parrot that had the run - or flight - of the house he was showing one time. The parrot circled

through each room as Martin led his customers around the house.

He said he successfully kept his customers and himself from being distracted by the parrot. And, he said, he never heard the parrot say a word about him.

DePorre said that while there likely are no major risks for animals moving in where other animals have lived, carpets and hard surfaces should be thoroughly cleaned to assure destruction of lingering animal parasites and viruses.

These agents want to see dogs caged or removed from the home, a preference stated by DePorre, looking at things more from a view of what's good for the dog.

When unknown people, such as the agent and customer, enter, the vet said, "The dog sees them as intruders. He's going to be on his careful, wary behavior. So they're not going to see him in his best light."

DePorre said his hospital sometimes is asked to board a dog or other pet during the time of a sales open house. He also gets some requests for tranquilizers.

"We don't like to use tranquilizers unless it's really necessary for the pet," he said. "If the pet becomes destructive, we want to save him from his own actions."

As for some animals other than dogs and cats, DePorre said ferrets would behave like cats and try to escape. Caged birds, he said, can be harmed by cold air coming through the opening door.

New limits can mean big savings

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO'
PHILLIPS

Last week, Fannie Mae announced its 2002 loan limits for conforming mortgages. Their 9-percent increase - which is up from \$275,000 to \$300,700 in Michigan - means sizable savings for borrowers who would have otherwise paid "jumbo" interest rates for their mortgages.

Homeowners with jumbo loans typically pay 1/2-percent higher interest rates. That rate disparity over 30 years on a \$400,000 mortgage could cost almost \$50,000 extra over the loan's life.

Borrowers with loans that now fall within the new limit potentially can refinance their existing mortgage, take some cash out and still lower their monthly mortgage payment. For example, an existing jumbo borrower with a 30-year mortgage of \$280,000 may have an interest rate of 8.0 percent that yields a monthly mortgage payment of \$2,050. This borrower could take out \$10,000, lower his interest rate by 1/2 percent and still drop his mortgage payments by \$30 per month.

People affected by this higher loan limit are now able to buy 5 percent more home. These ex-jumbo borrowers may now access a variety of other conforming loan products that may better suit their situation.

Short- to mid-term adjustable rate mortgages are becoming popular for people with loans approaching the upper conforming loan limit. In most instances, a three-, five-, or seven-year adjustable-rate mortgage can save homeowners enough money to pay for a refinance many times over. These conforming loans offer a significantly lower interest rate during the beginning years of a 30-year loan. They later convert to an adjustable-rate loan. Depending on market timing and the type of ARM, near-jumbo borrowers can usually shave 1/2- to 1-percent off a comparable 30-year loan's interest rate.

The refinancing rule-of-thumb is that borrowers will benefit from a refinance if they can improve their current interest rate by 1 percent for two years. However, these "thumbs" are often broken for near-jumbo loans.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth. For a free mortgage pre-qualification or credit assessment, go to www.vlender.com/p/philipshq or call (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

9-MONTH TALLY

Total number of residential units of all types permitted January through September in selected states

STATE	UNITS	1 YEAR CHANGE
NEVADA	28,993	+19%
WISCONSIN	27,461	+10
FLORIDA	124,773	+8
TEXAS	110,255	+5
GEORGIA	73,767	+2
CALIFORNIA	110,135	+1
OHIO	39,345	+1
ILLINOIS	40,792	N.C.
INDIANA	29,672	1
MINNESOTA	24,440	2
MICHIGAN	37,499	7

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept 10-14, 2001 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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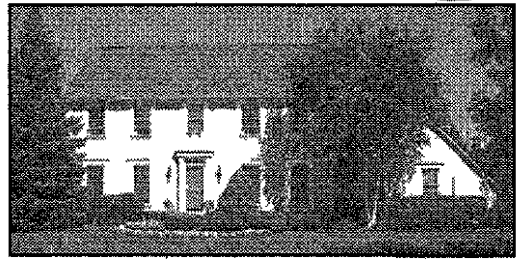
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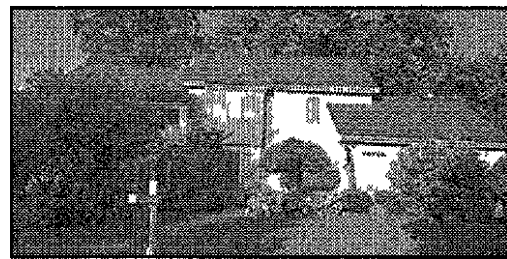
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George E. Marakis and Jan Medehill join Coldwell Banker Schwitzer Real Estate in Clarkston as sales associates

Marakis, a Waterford resident, has been a small business operator

for 5-1/2 years Medchill, who lives in Oxford, previously was licensed in Nevada

Frederick Butters, AIA, 18 Young Architect of the Year for the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects

He's a full-time lawyer and senior associate with Federlein and Keranen in Bloomfield Hills representing design professionals

Butters has bachelor of science degree in architecture and a Bachelor of Architecture degree from Lawrence Technological University and a law degree from Wayne State

Albert Kahn, FAIA, who died in 1942, was awarded posthumously the Gold Medal, the highest honor bestowed by the Detroit Chapter of AIA

He is considered one of the nation's greatest industrial architects, having designed the Warren Tank Plant and Ypsilanti's Willow Run Bomber Plant

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Kahn, born in 1869, also was a benefactor of the Detroit Institute of Arts

Stephen Whitney, FAIA, current president of Albert Kahn Associates, received the medal on Kahn's behalf

30-year mortgage rates back above 7%

Mortgage rates around the country rose sharply this week, with rates on 30-year mortgages climbing to their highest level since late July

The average interest rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages jumped to 7.02 percent from 6.75 percent last week, according to a nationwide survey released by Freddie Mac, the mortgage company

The 7.02 percent rate was the highest since the week ending July 27 when 30-year rates averaged 7.03 percent

Three weeks ago, 30-year mortgage rates fell to 6.45 percent, the lowest level since Freddie Mac began conducting its nationwide survey in 1971

Fifteen-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rose to 6.53 percent this week from 6.24 percent the week before This week's rate was the highest

level since Aug 10 when 15-year rates averaged 6.54 percent

A year ago, rates for 30-year mortgages averaged 7.65 percent and rates for 15-year mortgages averaged 7.35 percent

On one-year adjustable-rate mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 5.22 percent, up from 5.18 percent from the previous week Last year at this time, ARMs stood at 7.24 percent

These rates do not include add-on fees known as points, which averaged around 1 percent of the loan amount for all three types of mortgages

Mortgage rates rose in response to some recent economic indicators suggesting that the recession may be shallow, said Freddie Mac's chief economist Robert Van Order "Sentiment that the recession will not be as long or as deep as usual is putting upward pressure on mortgage rates," Van Order said

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On beautiful 1/2 acre wooded country lot lovely 4 bed room 2 1/2 bath colonial has living room dining room & family room w/brick wall fire place & doorwall to deck Kitchen w/breakfast room Master ste w/walk in closet private bath & doorwall to deck Finished basement w/wden & 2nd kitchen Parquet floors Many updates 2 car garage plus shed (H0264)

DEARBORN HEIGHTS
SUPER 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial in Kimberly Sub Formal living & dining rooms family room w/fireplace sliding windows furnace C/A & more Elementary school swim & tennis club in sub 2 car attached garage (BA300)
\$174 900
Spacious 1 545 sq ft 3 4 bedroom 2 full bath brick ranch Living room plus family room that overlooks fenced backyard Florida room Partially finished basement 2 car garage Swim club in sub (BR221)
\$129 900

IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY
Immaculate freshly painted & newly carpeted 3 bedroom ranch Living room w/sky lites Master bedroom w/walk in closet Great location (RH338)
\$132 500

SOLID BRICK 3 bedroom ranch 2 baths jacuzzi finished basement 4 car garage completely renovated large lot backed up to woods new 16x28 in ground pool Lots of extras Farmington Schools \$239 900
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317 Garden City

DRIVE RIGHT UP on circular drive Brick ranch on almost 1/2 acre private yard backs up to park Updates include bathroom furnace & central air electric plumbing & partially finished basement
\$149 900 (S324)
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CLASSIFIED ADS WORK

LIVONIA
3 bedroom brick ranch with totally remodeled kitchen newer roof plumbing & entry doors Updated bath C/A glass block windows immediate occupancy
\$189 900

PLYMOUTH
Nice & roomy ranch large private backyard with mature trees 3 bedrooms living room dining room almost 1200 sq ft 2 car garage plus workshop
\$152 700

FARMINGTON HILLS
3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch Baths totally remodeled hardwood floors fireplace in family room new roof windows & furnace
\$199 900

DEARBORN HGTS
Nice 3 bedroom br ck ranch with newer bath furnace A/C finished basement 2 5 car garage immediate occupancy
\$134 900

WESTLAND
Elegant update throughout this 3 bedroom 2 bath ranch F finished basement w th full bath new deck 24x24 garage roof and more
\$179 500

317 Garden City

GRAND CENTRAL PARK SUB 3 bedroom 2 bath ranch with updated kitchen fur dowce central air windows professionally finished basement 2 1/2 car garage deck w/above ground pool
\$139 900 (F287)
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Century 21 Chalet
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REDFORD
5 bedrooms 2 baths C/A newer roof windows HWH & vinyl siding Lots of sto age space 2 car garage doorwall off master bedroom to deck immediate occupancy
\$102 000

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Nice 3 bedroom br ck ranch with newer bath furnace A/C finished basement 2 5 car garage immediate occupancy
\$134 900

LIVONIA
Stunning ranch 3 bedrooms 2 5 baths almost an acre treed lot gorgeous master suite with full bath & jetted garden tub New kitchen large laundry room updates galore
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS
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1928 Tutor 4 bedroom 3 5 bath 3500 sq ft totally remodeled gourmet kitchen Off Lahser between Hickory Grove and Square Lake / 80 Devon St (248) 336 3644

CANTON 1pm 5pm Sun
Georgian colonial 1998 custom built prestigious Buckingham Place Sub 4 bedroom 2 full + 2 half baths 3 fireplaces formal dining room sunroom 3 car garage finished basement \$524 900 (734) 459 4287

REDFORD Open Sun 1 4pm
17366 Indian N of 6 E of Inkster By owner 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch Quiet neighborhood \$139 900 248 777 4685

303 Open Houses

WHITE LAKE 3059 Mystic Valley Dr Open House Sun 1 4 Best Buy Over 8 000 sq ft of living space \$78/sq ft Top quality 5 yrs old extra 9 3 car + car room or hobby room 4 bed room 4 5 baths 3 fireplaces finished basement 2 kitchens MUST SEE \$509 000 (248) 684 6675

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BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED Colonial on 1.9 acres 3 bed rooms 3 baths 2 car attached finished walk out 32x52 pole barn Built in 1996 \$237 500 (517)548 3823 (517)546 2152

Hartland Schools
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JUST LISTED! Vacation all year long in this 3 bedroom brick ranch on all sports Tyrone Lake Great investment this home sits on a double lot Won derful sandy beach with 12 feet on the water Home features nice eat in kitchen beautiful stone fireplace in living room 2 car garage with storage loft Hartland Township and Hartland Schools \$234 900

CHRISTMAS WISH COME TRUE! Beautiful fully maintained both ins and out s this lovely 2 story home with immediate occupancy This wonderful 1796 sq ft home features a fam ly room w/ fireplace and door wall to large deck formal living room dining room w/ kitchen with oak cabinet pergo floors and breakfast nook Home also features 3 bedrooms 1st floor laundry full basement & 2 car attached garage Outside fea tures pool w/ hot tub and spa pool with deck sprinkler system and nicely landscaped 121x248 lot Well located for commuters & Hartland Schools \$236 000

CELEBRATE THE SEASON in this truly elegant French Provincial situated on large lot in desirable newer subdivision! This lovely 5730 sq ft home wel come with open floor plan w/ dramatic staircase leading to the upper level Home fea tures a well planned kitchen and eating area plus formal dining room with French doors lead to the great room Also includes 2 fireplaces with 1 in the great room and 1 in the 1st floor master suite Plus a large recre ate on room upstairs enclosed inground pool w/ hot tub base ment & 3 car garage! Eigh ton Township and Hartland Schools \$875 000

BEAUTIFUL HOME Enjoy this beautiful home in the woods on 2 acre corner parcel Relax and view the pond from your private deck off the spacious sharply decorated great room w/ wood burning fireplace to conven ient kitchen and dining area This 2500 sq ft home includes 5 bedrooms 2 baths and a 2 car attached garage! Near State Land too Hartland Schools \$234 900

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BRING YOUR STOCKINGS and hang them by the fire place of this very charming 3 bedroom in level home in conven ient Hartland Subdivision very easy to M 59 & US 231 Family room with beautiful brick fire place and door wall to patio Very pretty fenced setting Walk to Handy Lake at end of the street! Move in and enjoy Hartland Schools \$146 900

DECK THE HALLS in this lovely class c country 2 story colonial is situated on 1.17 acres in Hartland! This wonderful home has so much to offer including 6 bedrooms 4 baths large great room formal living room huge kitchen formal dining room 1st floor den 2nd floor office w/ th adjacent work area and dark room The well planned home also includes a partially finished basement 2 car attached garage! The list goes on! Hartland Schools \$489 000

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RANCH 3 bedroom newer kitchen new roof \$141 900 Call for appt (810) 632 2055

323 Howell
ENJOY COUNTRY LIVING w/ city conven iences in this 1566 sq ft bungalow 10 plus beaut fully wooded acres 3 bedroom 1 bath full basement & 2 car garage Many updates \$249 900 (DSKEL2) (248) 348 6430

325 Livonia
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Great 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath all brick ranch Family room w/replace master suite Sun room Finished basement w/ 1/2 bath Totally updated kitchen! NEW doors in & out roof fur nace C/A 2 1/2 car attached garage Century 21 Row 734-464-7111

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325 Livonia
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ON 5 acres 4 000 sq ft 4 bed rooms 3 full baths huge 21x20 wood roof 2 car detached garage \$348 000 (248) 231 5269

328 Northville
2 BEDROOM country home 1 1/2 acres 2 story large barn nat ural wood floors \$220 000 (248) 349 1936

BY OWNER Must see Beau tiful traditional 4 bedroom col onial approximately 2500 sq ft 3 1/2 baths 2 1/2 car garage kitchen w/ island finished base ment Appliances Northville schools Too many extras to list \$369 900 Call for an appt 734 420 2607

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GREAT CURB APPEAL Beautiful cul de sac location on private setting Well maintained family room w/ vaulted ceiling deck 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 car garage kitchen w/ island finished base ment Appliances Northville schools Too many extras to list \$369 900 Call for an appt 734 420 2607

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WONDERFUL HIS TORIC NORTHVILLE home features 4 bed rooms 3 full baths huge yard backing to the Rouge River More square footage than it seems \$349 900 (16ROU2) (248) 348 6430

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335 Redford
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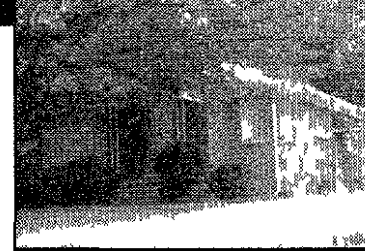
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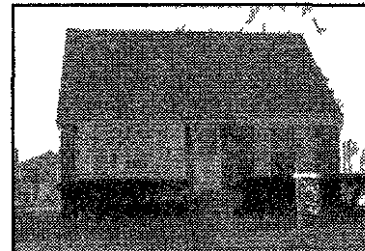
PLYMOUTH - Walk to town! From this appealing Bungalow in great neighborhood Wonderfully updated kitchen bath & master bedroom! Coved ceilings tasteful decor newer carpet & central air \$209 900 (25AUB) 734-455 5600



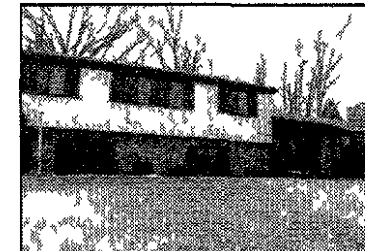
CANTON - Brick Ranch on an oversized lot! Three bedroom Ranch home with much to offer! Complete new kitchen (00) furnace & central air (99) roof tear off (98) windows & doorwall (98) 3 1/2 car heated garage with newer 18 door Nice deck & sprinklers \$179 900 (15GEO) 734 455 5600



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INKSTER - A lot of house for the money Four bedroom 2 bath Bungalow with huge kitchen finished basement 2+ car garage some hardwood & updated furnace \$118 900 (64SUN) 248 349 5600



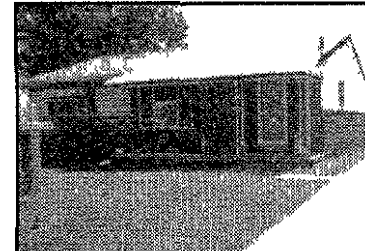
NORTHVILLE - Rural Northville Township Close to town with quaint shops & restaurants Beautiful Edenderry area Four bedrooms & 3 1/2 baths Treed lot Two fireplaces huge side entry garage Hardwood floors & wet plaster \$349 900 (05SHA) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Park like setting This four bedroom 2 1/2 bath home sets on a large treed lot on a cul de sac in this established family oriented neighborhood Community pools tennis court jogging paths Enjoy peacefulness \$237 900 (56CAM) 248 349 5600

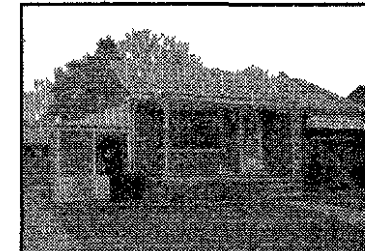


VAN BUREN - Immaculate newer Colonial! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath 1994 built Colonial Huge master suite Hardwood floors in the foyer & kitchen Two bay windows Second floor laundry Full basement Fenced yard 2 car attached garage! \$239 900 (47BER) 734-455 5600



ROMULUS - Welcome home! Completely updated! Everything including the bath tub within the last 5 years! Oak kitchen with dish washer & microwave Newer roof shingles & furnace with central air Over sized 2 car garage & finished basement \$124 900 (43LYN) 734 455 5600

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REDFORD - Clean Ranch Ready to move in Updated electrical newer carpet hardwood under carpet central air attic & ceiling fan Partially finished basement Jacuzzi tub garage opener Florida room nicely landscaped yard Appliances stay \$114 900 (72CEN) 248 349 5600



TROY - Birmingham schools Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial on a large lot with perennial gardens Dining room living room family room with fireplace basement garage Many updates Newer carpet neutral decor A lot of house for your home buying dollar \$259 000 (80ADA) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Great curb appeal! Newer dimensional roof (99) vinyl siding Hansen windows & meticulously maintained landscape Open floor plan recent painted neutral decor updated kitchen & bath \$189 900 (59BER) 734 455 5600



WAYNE - Come and get it! Opportunity knocks in the heart of downtown Wayne! Solid brick Bungalow with full basement & 2 baths! Currently used as single family but offers possibilities with the IND B Zoning! \$129 900 (15MIC) 734-455 5600

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WESTLAND - Hot new Westland listing Great looking split level home on beautiful treed lot with 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths spacious white kitchen cozy family room with natural brick fireplace vaulted ceiling in living room & kitchen central air pool garage All appliances upgrades \$147 900 (31WOR) 248 349 5600



WESTLAND - Great buy Beautiful 1999 built 3 bedroom brick Condo with 3 full baths central air large rooms open layout master with walk in closet & bath Well maintained & very clean \$198 900 (17PEN) 248 349 5600



INKSTER - Brrng the family home Spacious 4 bedroom Colonial located near the Garden City border Home sits on a low traffic dead end street Large open kitchen with hardwood floors & a lot of cabinets Large master \$139 900 (53CAR) 734 455 5600



TAYLOR - Country like setting Spacious 2 bedroom Bungalow on a huge lot! 24x24 drywall insulated garage & wood framed shed! Updated thermal windows entry doors newer roof & siding! \$126 500 (25POL) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Better than new! Don't miss this gorgeous 3 bedroom Colonial with 2 tiered deck sparkling white kitchen 2 car garage with alcove family room with fire place & lovely master bedroom with bath walk in closet with California organizer \$249 900 (52WES) 734 455 5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Incredible house & lot Spacious 3 bedroom 2 bath brick Ranch in the Wood Creek sub on approximately 1/2 acre lot Updated kitchen & baths newer roof & windows Neutral decor throughout Basement & quality construction with wet plaster & oak floors \$259 900 (42UTL) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Golf course community Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial backs to woods Features white gourmet kitchen with hardwood floors built in shelves in living room custom paint in dining room Two story great room master suite has 2 walk in closets Great lot great golf \$389 900 (63STG) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Windsor Park Ranch Offering maintenance free exterior Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath family room with fireplace & vaulted ceiling doorwall to patio & large fenced yard Large updated kitchen with Merillat cabinets Wallside windows central air 2 car attached garage \$209 900 (33IRO) 248 349 5600



WAYNE - One of a kind/many possibilities Multi family or single family Updates Beautiful garden with pond and paver walkway New roof privacy fence large country porch Indoor spa shed three bedrooms 3 1/2 baths \$179 000 (05CHE) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Pulte excellence! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial with 2 story foyer Neutral decor tiered cedar decking lush landscape & sprinklers Master bedroom with vaulted ceiling & luxurious bath Dining room with bay window Family room with corner fireplace \$279 900 (61PON) 734 455 5600



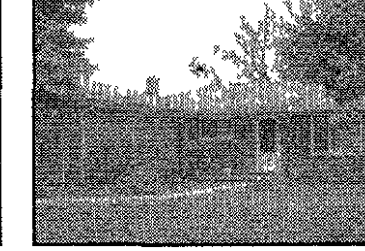
WAYNE - Old world charm! Hardwood floors & coved ceilings make this 1930's built Colonial the perfect family home! Almost 1 500 square feet of living space with 4 bedrooms large living room with fireplace formal dining room & partially finished basement! \$124 999 (06WIL) 734 455 5600



MILFORD - Cape Cod on cul de sac lot backing to Kensington's wooded area Three bed 2 1/2 baths great room with fire place dining den master with fireplace & sitting room basement gar central air deck & paver patio Equestrian community with boarding facilities & riding trails \$279 900 (20BER) 248 349 5600



BRIGHTON - Prestigious Stonegate offers this 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath Colonial with 2 story foyer & all the extras Some of them are pedestal sink maple cabinets built in double oven incredible family room with nver rock fireplace upgraded carpet & lighting and much more \$479 900 (06STO) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Outstanding Ranch in one of Livonia's nicest areas Truly turn key Three bedroom home with beautiful updated kitchen newer roof shingles (tear off) & glass block windows in 01 bath with newer ceramic tile tub vanity and newer windows \$174 900 (65ARD) 248 349 5600



REDFORD - Updates! Updates! Completely newer kitchen with light maple cabinets 99 professionally finished basement bath 98 + over 500 square feet of finished lower level Newer carpet finished hardwood floors newer windows tear off roof & siding \$129 777 (06DEL) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Executive style living! Formal dining & formal living room with fireplace Relax in either library or family room with fireplace Gourmet kitchen with Jenn Aire appliances & white cabinets First floor laundry Master suite with garden tub \$399 450 (18POP) 734 455 56000



DETROIT - Detroit dream Updated Bungalow with nice floor plan Large master with newer carpet and recessed lighting Freshly painted throughout Updated hot water heater some windows cement drive central air and furnace Refinished hardwood floors \$99 900 (24WIN) 734 455 5600



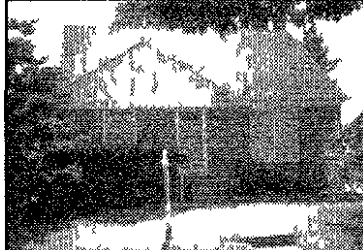
NORTHVILLE - Spectacle of beauty This Colonial has spacious rooms hardwood floor foyer kitchen & breakfast room Family room with fireplace & cathedral ceilings 4 BR 2 1/2 baths den first floor laundry basement 3 car garage upgraded landscaping & view of the pond \$419 900 (62WOO) 248 349 5600



BIRMINGHAM - Vintage home - expanded fully renovated approximately 1 2 acres Overlooks golf course Large living room/fireplace dining family room first floor den with bath New kitchen & octagon nook master with lounge exercise room Second master is spacious \$987 000 (90NOR) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Better than new Spacious 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial with a great open floor plan Family room with vaulted ceiling & fireplace Upgraded island kitchen with Corian tops large walk in closet & Novi bath in master den/library large wood deck & trees in rear \$299 900 (20HAN) 248 349 5600



WAYNE - Great & clean starter home! Four bedroom spacious Bungalow minutes away from schools! Large updated kitchen with roll out cabinets Wood floors throughout \$144 900 (00EAS) 734 455 5600



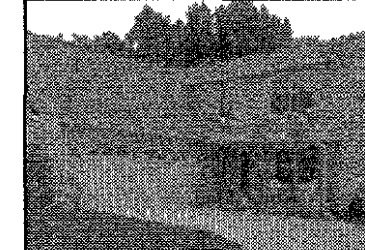
NORTHVILLE - Great new Northville Condos! Ready for your personal touches! Many upgrades Fireplace with gas logs ceramic tile in baths first floor laundry dry great room master bedroom & main bath with sky lights Upgraded appliances \$243 625 (69RIV) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - Westland wonder! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath Colonial with attached garage (with newer door & opener) Some newer windows Pella entry doors partially finished basement home backs to wooded lot Newer hot water heater \$135 000 (20WOO) 734-455 5600



NORTHVILLE - Lakes of Northville Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial with basement Backs to woods Northville schools Newer air conditioning humidifier sump patio landscaping Remodeled master All newer interior wood doors paint sinks & fixtures refinished hardwood floors Move in condition \$324 900 (28WAT) 248 349 5600



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