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'We were really lucky the weather cooperated, and I think we had record crowds.'

Mike Watts
organizer

Bright lights: A couple checks out the giant ice sculpture created by team Japan all lit up at night in Kellogg Park during the Plymouth Ice Spectacular last weekend.
Below, Randy Finch from Ice Sculptures LTD. puts the finishing touches on a carving at sunset Friday night in Kellogg Park. It was one of the many sculptures on display during the Ice Sculpture Spectacular.



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Festival on ice

Weather, fans combine for successful event

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The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular may have



struggled to find its financial footing this year, but you wouldn't have known it by the size of the crowds downtown over the weekend.

Thousands of people poured through Plymouth's Kellogg Park to witness the 20th-anniversary event, which closed Monday. They saw the same things they see every year, though perhaps on a smaller scale. Still, the festival went well enough to be declared a success by its organizer.

"I thought it went great," said Mike Watts of Watts Up, Inc. "We were really lucky the weather cooperated, and I think we had record crowds. It's difficult to say exactly how many, but the town was full Friday, Saturday and Sunday."

The festival struggled to get its financing in order this year, with sponsors either withdrawing or cutting back on the amounts they donated. Approximately 80 individual sculptures were sold for storefronts and businesses, according to Watts.

That made for a somewhat smaller festival, but Watts said it was just as good as it's always been.

"We actually had to pare down just slightly, but we were able to accomplish everything we wanted and put on a good show," he said. "Everyone was understanding that this was a difficult year (economically), but everyone chipped in, we made the

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Kmart struggles no surprise to shoppers

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Wednesday morning, one day after Kmart announced it filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Chicago, Esther McKendry of Plymouth made a shopping trip to her local Kmart store in Plymouth Township, at Haggerty and Ann Arbor roads.

"I came here because I thought if I bought a few things it would help them get back on their feet," said McKendry. "I'm upset about the news. I hate to see a business like this go under."

However, McKendry, who was buying curtains and drapes for a home project, acknowledged that Kmart has not been without its faults over the years.

"I found, for awhile, that some things weren't as cheap as I could get from a grocery store," she said. "So, I quit going for a while and shopped at Target."

McKendry's comments were like those of many shoppers at the Plymouth Township Kmart. Most would like to see

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the company survive, but recognized the nation's third largest retailer needs to make changes.

"I think it's a shame because it's a good store. They always have great prices on toys," said Nora Elder of Canton. "I think of all the people working there. It would be a shame if they all lost their jobs."

Missy Miller, who was helping patrons at the customer service counter, said there are concerns among employees.

"I hope this store stays open, but there's the Super K in Canton, just down the road," she said. "They posted a letter giving all the details. I think the company will survive."

Two store managers, attempting to be optimistic, are looking at the glass as

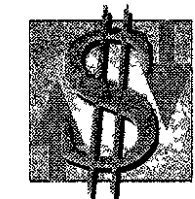
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Troubled store: Though this shopping cart outside the Big Kmart on Plymouth Road might indicate otherwise, store officials said traffic hadn't been affected by the announcement of the parent corporation filing for bankruptcy.

Budget figures show surplus

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As a result of a larger-than-projected enrollment increase for the 2001-02 school year, the coffers of Plymouth-Canton Schools are up an additional \$1.5 million.

"We projected very conservatively, and we had more new students this fall than we originally projected," said Patricia Brand, executive director of business services. "The additional money comes from the state foundation grant." Currently, the district receives \$6,825 per student as part of its state allowance.

The Board of Education passed an amended budget at Tuesday's meeting, which now estimates the fund equity at the end of the current school year to be more than \$11.5 million. While that seems like a lot of money, Brand said, "That's about five weeks of operating funds for the district."

Preliminary financial projections show that in 2002-03, the district will be spending nearly \$178,000 more than revenues, thus time reducing the fund equity. A major part of the budget will be an additional \$2.6 million to operate Plymouth High School, which is scheduled to open in August.

Fund equity is projected to fall again.

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Harvey lawsuit set for hearing

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If Plymouth Township officials get their way, the lawsuit filed by former director of finance Rosemary Harvey won't have much shelf life.

If they don't, it could be a long process.

Township officials are scheduled to appear before Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Susan Borman Feb. 1, where Borman will hear their request for summary disposition of the case.

Harvey filed suit in February 2001 after being fired by new township

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supervisor Steve Mann Her position had been eliminated in a restructuring of township duties approved by the township board at a Nov. 14, 2000 meeting. Harvey was fired about a month later, in December 2000.

Her lawsuit names Plymouth Township and, particularly, treasurer Ron Edwards as defendants. It charges the township with retaliation in violation of the Whistleblower Protection Act and wrongful termination, and accuses Edwards individually of tortious interference with business relations.

The suit asks for damages in excess of \$25,000 for each count. If Borman decides not to dismiss the case, the trial is scheduled to start Feb. 11. Although he wouldn't comment on the specifics of the case, Mann did say he expected a fairly lengthy trial.

Three weeks

"We think it'll be about a three-week trial," Mann said. "There's so much information, and we have to explain accounting practices and so forth to a jury. It could take a long time."

There are also two settlement conferences scheduled between the time of the hearing and the start of the trial. Mann wouldn't comment on the likelihood of a settlement, or under what circumstances the township might settle.

Neither Harvey nor her attorney, Marvin Stempien of Southfield-based Somers, Schwartz, Silver & Schwartz, could be reached for comment.

The results of the Harvey suit could also be a factor in the disposition of a second lawsuit, filed

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in October by former township employee Karen Akans. Akans' suit makes nearly identical claims and asks for the same level of damages as Harvey's suit.

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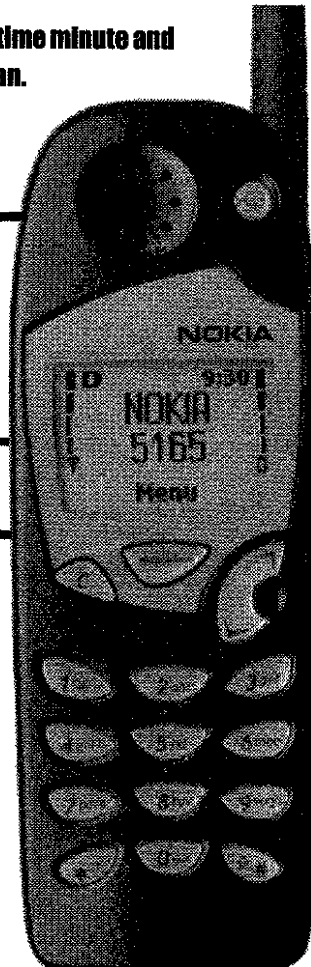
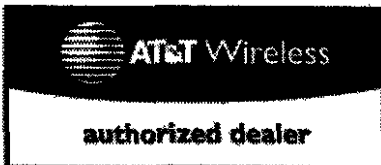
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Essay contest

In an effort to continue to fulfill Jack Wilcox's desire to benefit the Plymouth-Canton community, encourage interest in local history and assist in the education of youth, the Wilcox Foundation announces the continuation of a scholarship program for the Plymouth-Canton school district high school seniors.

The foundation is sponsoring an essay contest for area students, the subject of which is the history of one of Plymouth's long-time family-run businesses or the historical development of one of Plymouth's business districts.

Three Plymouth-Canton educators and three members of the Plymouth-Canton community serve on the panel of judges. A total of \$38,000 will be awarded in May to 17 students who participate.

"The program, unlike many scholarship programs, is not aimed solely at the top academic students, but rather is interested in promoting broad participation by youth in learning about the history of Plymouth," said Win Shrader, a member of the Wilcox Foundation Committee and director of the scholarship program. "Accordingly, the criteria for selecting the participants will be centered around the time and effort put into research, resourcefulness in tracking down sources of information and interest shown by the student."

Judging will determine who wins the four first place scholarships worth \$4,000 each. There are 10 second-place scholarships available at \$2,000 each, and a random drawing will select four \$1,500 scholarships.

Additional contest information is available in the offices of both Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High Schools.

Interfaith gathering

The Plymouth Ministerial Association is inviting everyone in the Plymouth-Canton community to share prayer and reflection at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m.

The gathering is timed with an interfaith gathering of religious leaders from around the world meeting in Assisi, Italy, to pray for peace.

OLGC is located at the corner of Beck and North Territorial. For more information, call Fr. Doc Ortman, associate pastor of OLGC, at (734) 453-0326.

Senior tax assistance

Free income tax assistance will be available to Plymouth-area seniors beginning Wednesday, Feb. 6 and every Wednesday thereafter until April 10.

Volunteer counselors trained by the IRS will help seniors fill out tax returns at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main. Available appointment times include 9:30, 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. and 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. Seniors must bring 2000 tax returns, W-2 and W-2P forms, unemployment compensation statement, SSA-1099 forms, 1099R for pensions and annuity records, and all other tax material pertinent to filing.

For an appointment, call the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

Home improvement show

Rock Shoppe, American Blind & Wallpaper and Heavy Duty Shelf, all of Plymouth, will be among some 300 exhibitors at the Novi Home Improvement Show Jan. 31-Feb. 3 at the Novi Expo Center.

Rock Shoppe will feature brick paving and retaining walls. American Blind & Wallpaper will exhibit wall and window covering. Sun Home Improvement will show windows and siding and Heavy Duty Shelf will display industrial shelving for home and businesses.

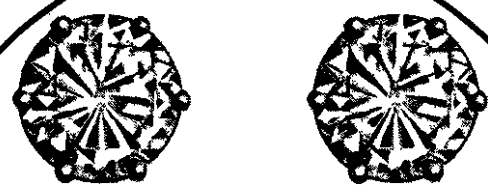
The Novi Expo Center is located at I-96 and Novi Road. Show hours are from 2-10 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors. Children 12 and under are admitted free. For more information, call (248) 862-1019 or visit www.builders.org.

Physical Therapy UPDATE

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Baby boomers age 35 to 54 are rack ing up sports injuries at an unprecedented rate and much of the increase is due to repetitive motion injuries. While many of the injuries seen in younger people are caused by macro trauma (like whacking an elbow with a tennis racket or turning an ankle while running), most injuries among older exercisers involve micro trauma or repetitive motion injuries resulting from chronic overuse or abuse. Contributing to the incidences of these injuries is the fact that our tissues become less compliant and tendons tend to degenerate as we age. Consequently older exercisers need more recovery time between workouts and more time to heal after an injury. Failure to do so increases vulnerability to overuse injuries. We all know how important regular exercise is to maintain optimum health and also that adhering to an exercise routine promotes long term physical fitness. One factor that has been left out of this equation is the fact that as a creature of flesh and blood versus metal and wire we do need to adjust our methods depending upon the messages our body is sending us. For help in translating your body's SOS, ask for a referral to the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY located in Plymouth at 470 Forest Avenue Suite 20. For more information please call 455-8370.

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Lift every voice: Featured speaker Clifton Taulbert sings "We Shall Overcome" with others attending the King day celebration at Plymouth Salem High School on Monday afternoon.

Community gathers to honor Dr. King

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Nearly 300 people attended Monday's first Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Celebration hosted by Plymouth Canton Community Schools at the Salem High School cafeteria.

It was an effort by the school district to make amends for last year's controversy in which a high school senior wrote a letter in the school newspaper challenging the need for Black History Month. The luncheon was also sponsored, in part, by Canton Township, which used the event as a component of its in-service diversity training for 200 employees.

"The most important message Dr. King had is not only are we diverse and unique, but we are all basically at the core, the same," school board trustee Mark Slavens said in his opening remarks. "Another idea of Dr. King was that every single person can make a difference."

Superintendent Kathleen Booher welcomed those in attendance to the celebration of the life of Martin Luther King.

"Our presence here today signals our celebration of his life and the influence of history. We know that Dr. King's message compelled freedom to ring from every corner of our land, and for all who are oppressed," she said. The gathering listened to keynote speaker Clifton Taulbert, author of the book *Eight Habits*

of the Heart, who is renowned for his poignant memoirs about growing up in the segregated South.

"I think this high school cafeteria is the fitting place to celebrate humanity, mainly because the youth of the world are our future," said Taulbert.

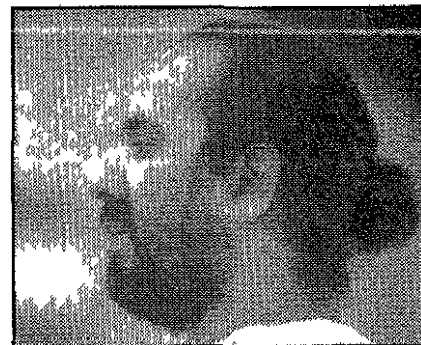
Earlier in the day, Taulbert addressed more than 1,000 Plymouth-Canton teachers and administrators before they participated in many of the 52 break-out sessions.

Rev. Joe Stevenson of New Liberty Baptist Church, who has worked with Plymouth-Canton Schools in developing a diversity program, acknowledged the district's efforts at bringing people of all races together.

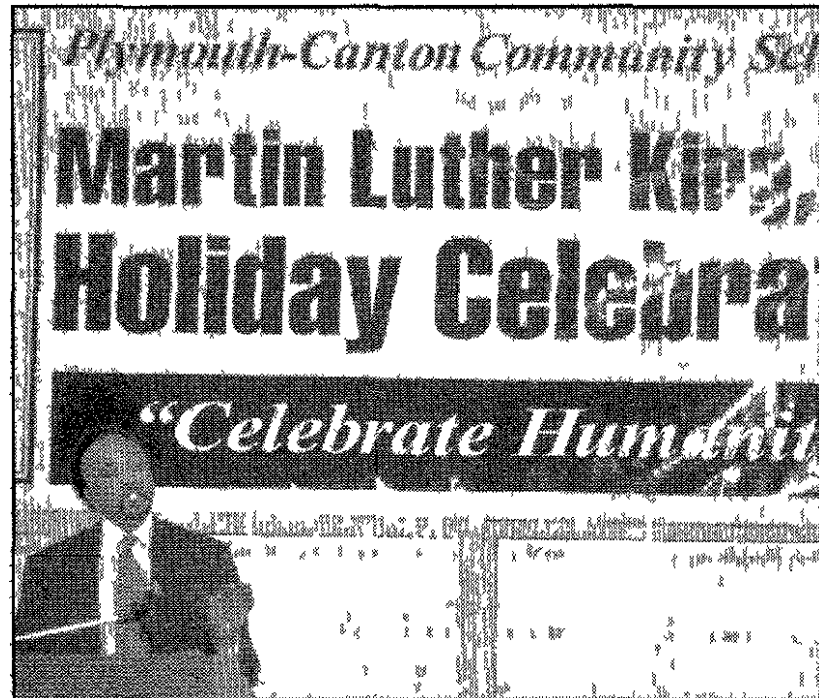
"It's a wonderful way to celebrate humanity, as well as bring all of the community together," said Stevenson. "It's a good start. I think we have to follow the admonishments of Dr. Taulbert and do our work on our shift."

Adrienne Davis, a member of Plymouth Canton Association of African American Parents, said she believes there is more misunderstanding than racism in the local community.

"What I find, because of the homogenous nature of the community, isn't racism but ignorance," said Davis. "It's not about someone hating you but someone who hasn't been around you."



Peaceful prayer: Senior Hindu Priest Chandrashekar Sharmaji gives a universal prayer and peace offering.



Keynote address: Featured speaker Clifton Taulbert (left) at Plymouth Salem High School. He ended his speech by asking people to think about this question, "How do we tell the children that tomorrow will be just fine?"

Board approves funds for park 'Sprayscape'

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Children of all ages will have a couple of new features when they start using Plymouth Township Park this summer.

The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees Tuesday approved the funding for what they're now calling a "Sprayscape" at the township park at McClumpha and Ann Arbor Trail.

The project will cost an estimated \$200,000, about \$40,000 of which will be spent on the other feature — a new area that will serve as an ice rink in the summer.

"I think it's going to work pretty well," township supervisor Steve Mann said. "It's an additional feature for kids in the summer. They're very popular."

The spray will come in several forms, including flowers that spray down on kids, a series of hoops that form a sort of spray tunnel, and spray guns that can shoot about 30 feet, according to Mann. There's also a "ground effects" feature that squirts out of the ground in a random pattern. "The younger kids love that," Mann said.

The sprayscape is expected to be open this summer, according to Mann.

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being half full.

"It's not all bad news," said Nancy Dahlde of Canton, speaking about the bankruptcy. "The company is regrouping. I'm not concerned about the future of our store."

Manager Al Boik said customer traffic seemed to be normal, despite the bankruptcy announcement only hours before.

"It's business as usual. It's going a lot like any normal day," he said.

Pete Gurchinoff of Plymouth, who shops at Kmart for his groceries, said he'd like to see the store remain open. However, he's also realistic.

"It's a nice place, but, if it closes, I guess I would just find another place to shop," he said.

Shoppers at the Super Kmart store on Ford and Haggerty had some sympathy Wednesday, but not many encouraging words, for the beleaguered corporation.

"I wish they could stay open if they can get out of the situation they're in," said Bob Odrowski of Plymouth, who said he's not a regular Kmart shopper.

Odrowski said he usually shops at Kohl's or Meijer.

"I do most of my Christmas shopping here though," he said. "I like the prices and they're reasonable. Some people I've talked to say they don't like the way the service is here."

Sandra Frey of Canton, leaving the grocery section with a small shopping bag, said she, too, is not a regular customer.

"I usually go to Meijer or Holiday market," she said. "Meijer is always well-stocked and they've got somebody there if you have

any questions. I just came in today to get some Edy's Ice Cream because it's two for \$6. Two gallons are left. I asked them if they had any more and they said no."

Connie Cislo of Fenton was dropping her mother, who lives in Plymouth, off to do some shopping. Cislo said she is a regular Kmart shopper in the Fenton store.

"I usually get a lot of my vitamins and stuff like that at Kmart. But people are talking about Wal-mart a lot because we just had a grand opening of a Wal-mart kitty-cornered from our Kmart."

She said she had only been in a Wal-mart once in her life. "I prefer Kmart," she said.

A mile down Ford Road at Target, a Westland woman, who didn't want to give her name, said although she was shopping at Target that morning, she was a regular Kmart shopper.

"I'll go to them as long as their stores are open," she said. "I like Target for a variety of things, but Kmart is the one I always go to first."

But Dave Eben of Canton had a different view.

"I think they brought it on themselves," he said of Kmart's problems. "I've been in this area for 35 years and the Kmart on Ann Arbor Road used to be the big place for shopping. They used to have everything you wanted."

"But their service, the way they treat their customers, just went down the tubes. And their pricing, they didn't stay competitive."

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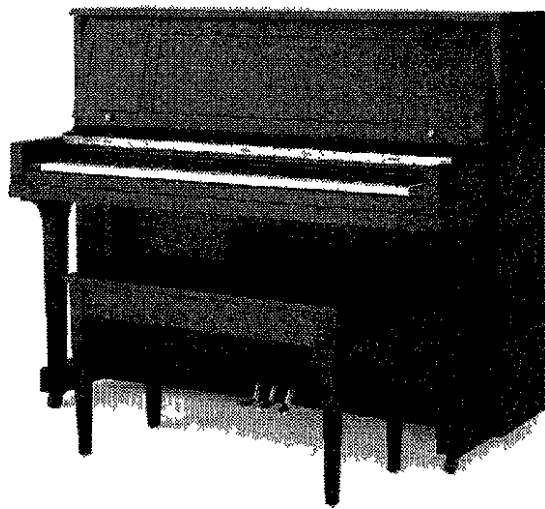
The Veterans of Foreign Wars Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695, 1426 S. Mill Street in Plymouth, served a three-day liquor license suspension last week, part of the penalty for having illegal slot machines in the bar last summer.

According to Ken Wozniak, aid for the Michigan Liquor

Control Commission, the license suspension, along with a \$2,400 fine, was assessed as the result of the LCC finding four illegal slot machines in the building July 10.

The three-day suspension was served last Sunday, Monday and Tuesday as Plymouth police shut down the establishment. The slot machines were destroyed by the Liquor Control Commission.

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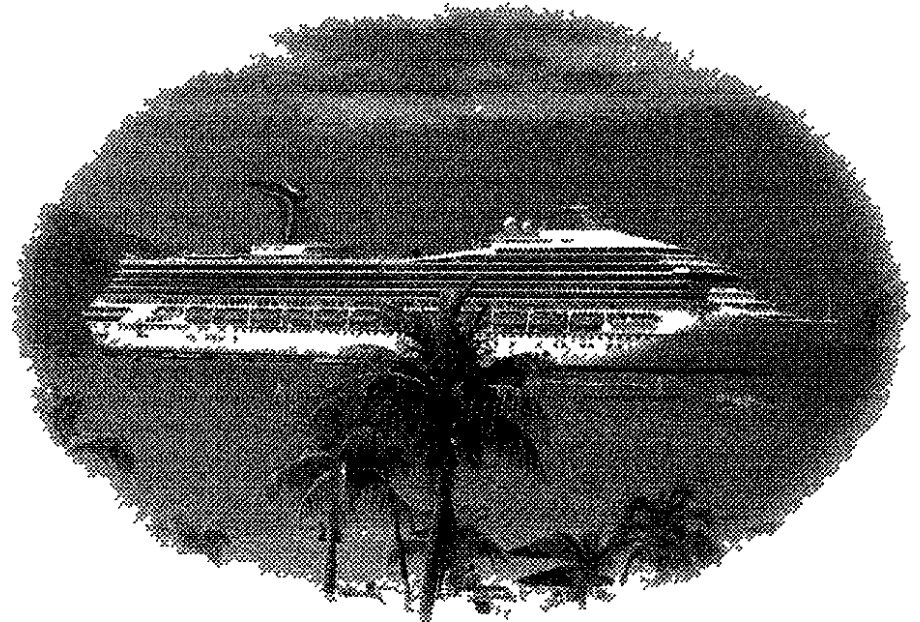
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most of it and it was a great show. It's still the biggest and best in the United States.

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the 2002 Winter Olympics, was a double winner coming in first in the individual professional competition, and teaming with husband Paul to win the professional team title.

Dana Leja of Canton and her partner, Kris Jablonski of Red-

ford, were second in the team competition. The other local winner was Diana Riley of Canton, who was third in the college individual competition and teamed with Andrea Jaques of Redford to help Schoolcraft College to a second place team finish.



STAFF PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL
Man-made: Ice Sculptor Derek Maxfield uses a lathe specially made for cutting ice to get started on his project for the festival in Kellogg Park.



Award winner: Ray Lucier from Macomb Community College works on a ice sculpture last weekend at the Plymouth Ice Spectacular.



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by \$106,000 in the 2003-04 school year and by another \$124,000 the next school year.

Brand said she is hoping for passage of a county-wide millage next August to pay for special education programs through Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (RESA). Currently the district's budget includes more than \$14 million to pay for special education services.

The projected budgets do not include pay increases for teachers, who will be bargaining a multi-year contract this spring. Brand, who estimates a 2.5 percent wage increase would cost the district \$13 million annually, said passage of the county-wide millage will make money available for raises, without considering alternatives such as budget cuts or using the fund balance.

"Foundation allowance increases barely cover our fixed-cost increases, such as retirement, health care and utilities," said Brand. "In the past, we were able to give raises because we had 200-300 more kids than projected. But in reality, foundation amount increases (without student count growth) just barely cover costs you can't control. The state determines what

we can do, and what kind of raises we can give because it controls 97 percent of our budget," she said. "And, it's every district in the state. Everyone has the same concerns."

School board trustees are aware of the range of fiscal possibilities but said now is not the time to become alarmed. "I don't think we should panic yet, because no one really knows (what the legislature will do)," said Susan Davis, board member.

"I'm pleased to see the administration is working on a process, should we have to face some budgetary cuts," said Trustee Tom Wysocki.

Schools to survey for budget answers

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If Plymouth Canton Schools don't receive a \$200 per pupil increase in the state foundation grant for the 2002-03 school year, cuts will be necessary to overcome the \$5 million shortfall in the district's projected revenue budget.

The state earlier promised the increased funding for school districts statewide. However, because of state revenue declines, Gov. John Engler is reconsidering plans to increase the state foundation grants. Currently Plymouth Canton receives \$6,825 per pupil in state funding.

Patricia Brand, the district's executive director of business services, said she's confident state officials will eventually decide to stick with the foundation allowance increase. However, she noted the district is making plans for program changes in case the state eliminates some, if not all, of the foundation grant increase.

"We've heard opinions from various sources about the foundation grant and they all say something different," said Brand. "This is Gov. Engler's last year in office. It's a political year. I think he'll find a way to fund it."

However, Brand said the district is not sitting idly by while waiting for the final determination by Engler and the state leg-

islature. "We're not sitting waiting for potential cuts to happen," added Brand. "We're going to gather information so whatever happens we can deal with it."

Within weeks, the district will be sending surveys to parents, PTO's principals and the general community. The surveys will ask respondents to put values on the importance of classroom subjects such as art, life skills, music and physical education, student/teacher services like adult education, media center services, para professionals, the reading recovery program, and talented and gifted program, and ancillary student services, including transportation for athletics, as well as daily conveyance for students in elementary, middle and high schools.

"We want the community to look at everything in our budget and value them in terms of each other," said Brand. "We want them to base their decisions on the potential to entice families to move into the district, and to retain families already living here. We also want to know how they value each item based on its potential to support students achieving personal excellence. We do not want to reduce in terms of cutting dollars. We should be thinking what is the best education for kids," she said. "There are a lot of kids' lives at stake here, and that's why we need to be realistic as to what's going to happen."

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OBITUARIES

MARIE B. BOLSER

Services for Marie Bolser, 89, were held Jan 22 at the Neely-Turowski Funeral Home with the Rev Kurt Radke officiating. Burial was at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West.

Mrs Bolser was born July 22, 1912 in Detroit and died Jan 18 in Garden City. She was a salesperson.

Mrs Bolser was preceded in death by her husband, Ferdinand, and brother, Howard Srock.

Survivors include daughter, Donna (Donald) McGill, son, Howard (Barbara) Bolser, son, Ferdinand (Kay) Bolser, seven grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, sister, Mildred Srock, sister, Ruth Youens, and sister, Shirley Reynolds.

Arrangements made by Neely-Turowski Funeral Home.

ELIZABETH M. HOELSCHER

Services for Elizabeth Hoelscher, 78, of Canton were held Jan 22 at St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church with the Rev Andy Webster officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mrs Hoelscher was born Sept 12, 1923 in Detroit and died Jan 19 in Canton.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Hoelscher.

Survivors include daughters, Mary (Mike) Olson, Susan (Michael) Dunn, Patricia Games, Kathy (Sid) Wells, Barb (Mark) Tomlinson, and Sharon (Terry) McKay, brothers, Ralph and Bernard Ziegler, and nine grandchildren.

Arrangements made by McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel.

PATRICIA L. BECK

Services for Patricia Beck, 56, of Northville Township, were held Jan 22 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Doc Ortman officiating.

Mrs Beck was born March 28, 1945 in Detroit and died Jan 18 in Northville. She was a homemaker. She came to the Northville community in 1988 from Plymouth. She was a member of the Northville Newcomers. She loved golfing and belonged to the Par Shooters Golf League in Northville. She enjoyed cross stitch, crafts, photography, collecting Santas, and she was an avid bowler. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, daughter, and aunt.

Survivors include husband, Richard Beck of Northville, children, Julia (Stephen) Schneider of Castle Rock, Colo., and Matthew Spicer of Fort Worth, Texas, grandchildren, Erica, David and Matthew Schneider, sisters, Judith Barron of N C, and Deborah (Kevin) Cremeens of Novi, niece, Kristen Cremeens, nephew, Bryan Cremeens, and mother, Julia Barron of Westland.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

ELWOOD CORBIN

A Masonic Memorial Service for Elwood Corbin, 89, of Canton was held Jan 22 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington, under the auspices of Garden City Builders Lodge No 587 F & A M with burial at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Mr Corbin was born March 22, 1912 in Zelma, Mo and died Jan 20 in Farmington Hills. He was retired in 1978 as a drill

maker for Whitmar and Barnes. He was a member of the Garden City Builders Lodge No 587 F & A M.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Betty, son, Gene, four brothers, and one sister.

Survivors include daughter, Sharon Uhes of Plymouth, sister, Velma Carson of Ill., three grandchildren, Gregory, James, and John, and one great grandchild.

Arrangements made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home in Farmington.

CARL MARTIN OSTLUND

Services for Carl Ostlund, 72, of Wayne were held Jan 21 at McCabe Funeral Home-Canton Chapel with the Rev Henry W Roeben officiating. Burial was at Knollwood Memorial Park.

Mr Ostlund was born July 11, 1929 in Chicago and died Jan 7 in Wayne. He was a master plumber for Ostlund Heating & Cooling in Westland.

He was preceded in death by his son, Carl Ostlund.

Survivors include wife, Jean Ostlund, sons, Bob Ostlund of Taylor, Tony Ostlund of Minnesota, and Bill (Ann) Ostlund of Livonia, daughters, Karen (Gary) Schultz of Canton, Kim (Gary) Harris of Canton and

Same (Tom) Shields of Westland, brothers, Arnie and Kenneth Ostlund, 15 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements made by McCabe Funeral Home-Canton Chapel.

JOHN J. GUETTLER

Services for John Guettler, 71, of Ann Arbor were held Jan 23 at the Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home in Plymouth with the Rev Paul E Schaefer officiating.

Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr Guettler was born April 17, 1930 in Monroe and died Jan 19 in Superior Township. He was a self-employed businessman. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 1952 where he majored in economics. He enjoyed flying, having his first solo flight in 1963, and world-wide traveling with his wife. He was a long-time member of St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Plymouth.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Emily in 1992.

Survivors include step-brother, Bob Bartel, step-brother, Bill Bartel, Jr., and many dear friends.

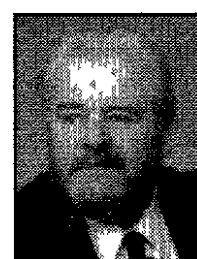
Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Huron Valley, 3100 Cherry Hill, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

HENRY A. BERGHOFF

Services for Henry Berghoff, 71, of Plymouth were held Jan 21 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Sanford Burr officiating.

Mr Berghoff was born Feb 25, 1930 in Detroit and died Jan 18 in Ann Arbor.

He was a police officer in Plymouth for more than 32 years. He retired as a lieutenant in 1984. He was a member of the Good Fellows of Plymouth and the Plymouth Grange. He was a volunteer Fire Fighter in Novi and



Mr. Berghoff

also served with the Plymouth Fire Department. He enjoyed gun collecting, his family and fishing. He was well known throughout the community and enjoyed participating with charity organizations.

Survivors include two sons, two daughters, four grandchildren, and one sister.

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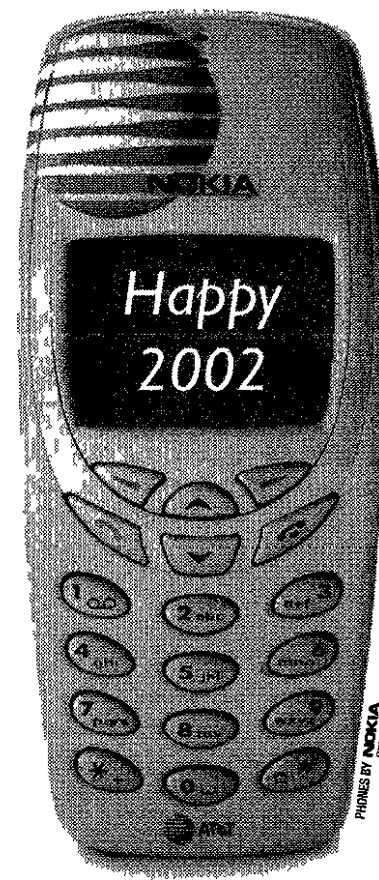
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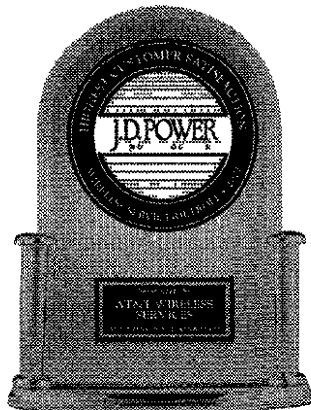
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MLK Day training session a good start for district

We'd like to call Monday's celebration of humanity and the teachings of Dr Martin Luther King at Salem High School an unqualified success. But we can't, not yet anyway. To echo the sentiments of keynote speaker Clifton Taulbert, we'll find out beginning tomorrow. And in the months and years ahead.

We'll finally know the impact of this week's diversity and sensitivity training for some 1,000 Plymouth-Canton Community Schools teachers and administrators when the current generation of students begins applying classroom theory in the adult world. When they accept people of different races and ethnic backgrounds as equals, both on the job and in their neighborhood. We'll know when today's students become parents themselves - by listening to the thoughts and observing the actions of their children.

It's a long wait, we know. Especially when the issue is racism, where progress unfortunately is still measured in small accomplishments over decades, rather than giant leaps in tolerance and understanding that take place overnight.

The Observer believes Monday's session - a first for the district - was a good and necessary start though. Not just because of last year's controversy during Black History Month, when a Salem senior used a letter in the school newspaper to question the concept of setting aside a portion of the calendar for one minority. (Although that certainly played a part getting school officials to move forward.)

The fact is, tolerance is a required subject in our current multi-cultural world. Just look at the school district itself. Some 30 languages are spoken in Plymouth Canton and there are significant pockets of Asian, African American, Hispanic and Native American students among the 16,425 enrolled in its schools.

Wake up and smell school start-time coffee

Virtually every child who notices that days are set aside to honor both mothers and fathers has asked, "Why isn't there a Children's Day?"

As any parent will tell you, every day is Children's Day. But kids are supposed to outgrow the idea that the world revolves around them. Parents should encourage their children to become independent and responsible, making choices that ensure a healthy, happy life.

We believe a plan under consideration by several local school districts flies in the face of that notion. They've decided high school start times should be changed - at great cost - to allow teens an extra hour of sleep.

The idea has strong supporters, but it's time for those who have championed this cause to wake up and smell the coffee.

Certainly, there's plenty of evidence to show teenagers need more sleep and function better later in the day. Studies have shown adolescents have biological clocks set to a later bedtime and an earlier waking time.

So do many adults. Some of us only recognize one 7:30, and it's not during daylight hours.

But no one who values a paycheck would ever think of walking into an employer's office and asking to start an hour later, because research shows their biological clock keeps them from getting up on time.

Adolescent sleep researcher Mary Carskadon, whose findings were cited in an article published last year in the Illinois School Board Journal, has linked changes in sleep patterns, sleep/wake systems and circadian timing systems (body rhythms that occur every 24 hours) to bodily changes that occur with puberty.

We'll buy that. Adolescence is a tough time, what with all the hormonal and emotional changes involved. Kids may suffer from excessive sleepiness.

But what else is happening with today's teenager?

Those who are motivated to attend college often take advanced level classes that require additional study time. Athletes, artists, actors, debaters and musicians spend hours at practices and in competition.

In some families, kids have to work to pay for a car, insurance, concert tickets

and other necessities. Holding down a part-time job is common - and some kids hear the demands of extracurriculars or an accelerated academic program on top of that.

And the sad truth is, if you give kids an extra hour in the morning, those with the most crowded schedules probably won't use it to sleep. No matter how much we might wish it so, each day consists of only 24 hours. Anyone who doesn't use around eight of those hours to sleep will eventually suffer health problems, or worse.

In a 1994 study, the National Institutes of Health identified drowsiness or fatigue as a primary cause in 100,000 traffic crashes every year. In more than half of those accidents, drivers under age 25 were behind the wheel.

Sleepiness doesn't just affect academics, it's a real safety risk, a serious problem that won't be resolved by moving the alarm clock ahead a half hour or so. Kids have to learn how to cope with stress, how to prioritize, how to say "no" and keep their lives from becoming so cluttered they exhaust themselves trying to keep up.

We encourage school district officials to look at their own priority lists before even considering a move like this. Concern for students' best interests is admirable, but there's a bigger picture here.

The state and federal tugs of war over special education funding and impacts of a sluggish economy have many districts in dire financial straits, now and for the foreseeable future. We applaud officials in Plymouth-Canton and Livonia, who have publicly backed off the idea because they simply can't afford to look at this right now.

For taxpayers, that's the bottom line, and it's an important one. But an even greater concern should be guiding young people into healthy, balanced adult lives. Moving heaven and earth in their direction, rather than encouraging them to make decisions in their own best interests, won't accomplish that.

We urge any school district still on the school start time band wagon to think twice about giving kids another hour of sleep and pay more attention to what's happening in the light of day.

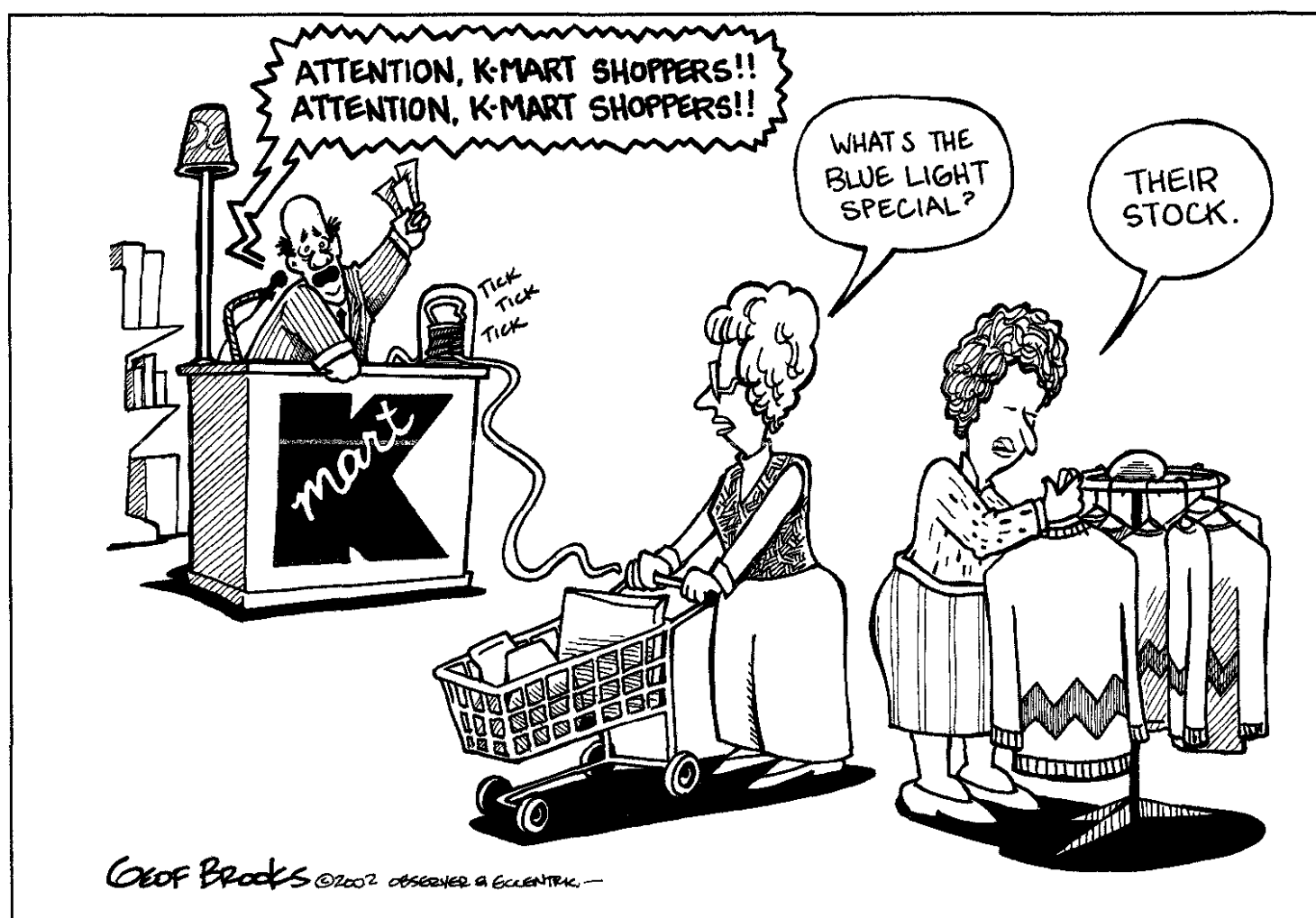
We were pleased to see city commissioners Michele Potter and Stella Greene, as well as many city employees, take the time to honor King at Monday's luncheon. We would have been equally pleased to note the many Plymouth Township elected officials in attendance. Unfortunately, there weren't any.

Using the King holiday as a jumping off point for wider discussions on diversity and acceptance has itself become a controversial issue in recent years. Some believe it waters down the civil rights leader's original message, or worse, is an effort to rub out his individual achievements and make the day less "black."

Yes, it's important to remember events like the Montgomery, Ala. bus boycott and the March on Washington events that framed the modern day civil rights movement and shaped Dr. King's world. Those who ignore history are condemned to repeat it, the philosopher George Santayana once said.

But also relevant is the idea that we must pick up King's mantle and apply it to life in the 21st century. Taulbert, an author and motivational speaker, said as much on Monday. He praised King and other champions of oppressed people including Nelson Mandela and Caesar Chavez for carrying the burden on their watch. Then added:

"Our challenge today is what will we do on our shift," Taulbert said. "What will corporate America do tomorrow? What will our elected officials do tomorrow?"



LETTERS

■ Answering questions

Susan Tassanyi's letter to the editor in the Jan. 17 Plymouth Observer asks the question "What were these two teachers thinking (when they assembled displays commemorating gay and lesbian history)?" As one of the two teachers involved I would like the opportunity to answer that question.

Ms. Tassanyi, I was thinking about the gay and lesbian students (and those perceived to be gay or lesbian) in my school and throughout the district who come to class in fear every day because they are taunted, harassed and in some cases physically abused.

I was thinking about them because they are compelled to live in fear and isolation and in silence because no one will advocate for them. I was thinking about those students who must periodically endure ridicule or listen to disparaging comments about gays from the adults who administer their education.

Finally, I was thinking about people like yourself who continue to equate being gay or lesbian with a host of social evils like "rape, drugs, murder and child pornography" and how much education still needs to take place in our community and in our school district. You know, Ms. Tassanyi, the arbitrator knew clearly what Mr. Salbenblatt and I were thinking. He also recognized that Mr. Walcott and certain members of the Board of Education were not thinking. Yes, he saw that they were not thinking at all.

Mike Chiumento
West Middle School teacher

■ Behavioral law

While standing seventh in line at Kmart and reading the "You'll never be more than third in line" policy, I realized I had a lot of time to answer the question, "What do the new seat belt law and obesity have in common?"

I came upon a connection between these two different ideas earlier outside, when a patrol car passed me in the parking lot. I had prematurely unfastened my belt before parking, thus usurping the new seat belt law. I felt downright guilty taking advantage of that freedom.

According to government, too many uninsured, irresponsible, and unbuckled motorists get into accidents resulting in severe closed-head injuries. A few hundred such cases of uninsured motorists burden the state health care system. Rather than fix or eliminate the system, the state sets another horrible precedent: criminalize behavior in order to reduce costs - the Primary Seat Belt Law!

The scary part is that the state can now arbitrarily decide what "irresponsible behavior" is, based upon the bottom-line cost. If it can study the problem and come up with a quantifiable social cost, then it can make laws to change the behavior. Where is the Triangle Foundation on this one?

What is next, don't eat too much? Yes! Just this month, the British House of Commons issued a report stating that 30,000 citizens die each year due to obesity, costing \$3.6 billion. In order to reduce costs, they are mounting an ad campaign to change citizen behavior. Therefore, the answer to my question is that if the government can legitimately outlaw one behavior, bad seat belt wearing habits, they sure can outlaw another behavior, being fat. The scary part is the inconsistency and arbitrary nature of the State of Michigan decisions.

When is Senator Levin going to leapfrog off the British facts and study the social problem in Michigan, to save lives and reduce social costs? I am

sure that the burdensome costs of uninsured fat people ending up at state-sponsored hospitals far outweigh the costs of closed-head injuries.

Let the insurance companies freely carry different premium rates based upon human fat content. It's only fair. Ask your representative to weigh in on the obesity issue. My guess is that they are afraid to give a straight answer.

Glenn Kremer
Plymouth

■ Attendance questions

Two of the following statements are true. You pick.

1. In any given year during its six-day run, Plymouth's International Ice Festival draws 700,000 people to the downtown area.

2. According to the 1990 census, the population for the entire state of Vermont was very close to 560,000.

3. Since its inception 20 years ago, the Plymouth International Ice Festival has brought 10,000,000 visitors to the friendly confines of Plymouth.

4. It would take 50 years for 10 million people to find a parking spot in downtown Plymouth.

Mel Halttunen
Plymouth

■ Second message

Tedd Schneider's column titled "New Year's tragedy sends message - if anyone listens" (Observer, Jan. 10) concerning Eric Dodsworth's death touched a nerve that has been twitching for years. Like many people Mr. Schneider accepts underage drinking while condemning the legal age man, whose driving was very likely impaired by alcohol. The main message is important: Don't drink and drive, and the life you take may not be your own.

There is another message, but it is not popular or even commonly spoken. Our society includes the culture of drinking. How often do people get together socially without drinking? Drinking is expected. I see this attitude toward alcohol as a major problem. Alcohol is a substance which affects motor skills and mood and can be addictive. At the very least, people change after a drink or two. Serious effects include wasted potential, destroyed families, assaults, unplanned sex, injuries and sometimes death - whether in an accident or by alcohol poisoning when too many shots are downed, often by a college student.

Maybe it was the statement, "alcohol kills brain cells" in our child's fifth-grade science book. Maybe it was the speakers I heard - people who work with young people and know how dangerous alcohol is. Maybe it was all the people I know who have vomited after drinking. (Thank God their bodies knew enough to get rid of the toxins.) I became aware I could make a choice. For the past 15 years or more I have chosen not to drink, although I never had a "problem" with my "social drinking." For those who tout the health benefits of alcohol, there are alternatives. For example, the cardiovascular benefits of red wine also are present in purple grape juice.

Why are we so attracted to alcohol? Business as usual is "big business" and most people enjoy a "buzz." It may make them feel friendlier and they may enjoy the taste. They like that beer, or glass of wine or that drink. Drinking makes them one of the group. I expect we'll never change and that we'll go on pretending drinking is just fine - "at least for me because I

can handle it."

As a society we teach our children to drink (but not too early, not too much). Our relaxed attitude toward alcohol usage sends one message, and then we expect people to use common sense and exercise restraint even while alcohol diminishes a person's ability to make good judgements.

Throw the first stone at the 24-year-old who drank and then drove? Not I, even though I've never driven under the influence (because I was always the passenger). How many times have you ridden with a driver who has had "two or three" drinks, or been the driver, or served alcohol and let people drive home? Countless times for most of us, I would guess. Actually I am amazed there are not more accidents and deaths than there are as the result of "impaired driving."

Our collective relaxed attitude toward alcohol contributed to this tragedy. Every time we promote drinking, the outcome could be injury or death. Where is the line between "enjoying a drink" and doing harm to oneself or others? Much closer than you may realize. All I can hope for is that people will think before they drink, because they won't think as clearly after that first drink. Contrary to popular belief, you can "just say no" to alcohol.

Janet Sockolosky
Plymouth

■ Activities impress

The various activities put on by Canton Township and The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools for MLK Day were very impressive. The morning program at the Summit was very intense. The video highlights of Dr. King's life and struggles left many of us choked up and inspired. The presentation did not gloss over Martin Luther King's faults, it presented a balanced picture of the man.

The luncheon presentation at the high school was also well done.

The afternoon presentation was informative and entertaining. This session focused on the Hindu, Oriental and Arabic cultures. I am sure the staffs of Canton administration found them very useful. In short, everything was first rate. The administrators of Canton Township and the Plymouth-Canton schools are to be congratulated for a job well done.

The day concluded with an intense and inspiring non-denominational service at Geneva Presbyterian Church. It was filled to capacity. I loved every minute of it. Thanks to everyone responsible.

Tom Hartnett
Canton

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OTHER OPINIONS

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Prospects looking grim for state's auto industry

It's no secret that the domestic automobile industry is facing terrible times

Daimler-Chrysler is still preoccupied with the major downsizing and restructuring effort that followed what now looks like an ill advised and badly executed takeover by the Germans

Laterally fighting for its life, Ford recently announced record losses and has just embarked on a plan to close five manufacturing plants and cut 35,000 jobs world wide

Even General Motors, amazingly converted from perennial also-ran into top dog, is still slashing costs. Worse, industry experts estimate that up to a quarter of all U.S. automotive supplier companies, tool and die firms and equipment manufacturers will face insolvency this year

Although the relative dominance of the auto industry in Michigan's economy has declined considerably over the past decade, automobiles are still the heart and soul of what provides jobs, security and wealth for our people. Best estimates peg the auto industry as a whole as representing something like 20 percent of the entire Michigan gross domestic output

To better understand what's really going on behind the superficiality of all the headlines, I called my old friend David Cole, president of the Center for Automotive Research and unquestionably our ranking expert on the automobile industry

Cole's prognosis is grim "The business model that has defined the auto industry for the past half century is broken and there is a clear understanding that the industry as a whole must restructure in order to remain competitive"

According to Cole, the basic economic logic of the supply side of the industry has been to run the plants at maximum capacity in order to reduce per unit manufacturing costs and to provide the highest possible volume of sales. On the demand side, the idea has been simultaneously to reduce cost and add value — less emissions, better mileage, new models — to stimulate consumer demand

Clearly, the workings of this largely free market have produced better products, great savings and good deals for customers. For example, buying a car 10 years ago cost the average consumer around 30 weeks of income. Today, buying a

(much improved) new car costs the average Joe just a bit more than 22 weeks in wages

But according to Cole's analysis two major forces for change have today brought the auto industry to its worst place since the early 1980s

The vastly increased competitive pressure exerted by three major world automotive industries — Asian, European and American — all focusing much of their production and marketing capacity on a single North American market. Everybody's trying to make and sell cars to the Americans, which results in very tough price and quality competition on the one hand and enormously expensive excess manufacturing capacity on the other

In this intensely competitive environment, the

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ever increasing costs of research and development, new product design and regulatory mandates simply cannot be fully passed on to consumers

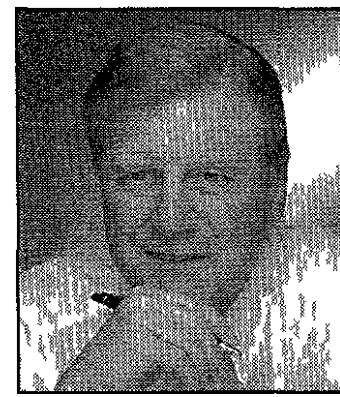
The result: Vast pressure on profits. Ford is losing money at a never before equaled pace, something like \$10 billion in assets are gone from its balance sheet. Chrysler has lost \$8 billion since the acquisition. Only GM is showing earnings in excess of projections, plainly the outcome of an enormous company wide effort to cut costs and restructure the corporation that took place for the entire decade of the 1990s

Cole reports all this is happening at greater and greater speed, witness GM's amazing reversal of roles with Ford over just the past 18 months. Just as great high school football players discover everybody's just as fast as they are once they start playing college ball, even giant players in the auto industry are discovering in shock just how fast things can change in a ferociously competitive environment

Cole's bottom line: Something's got to change. The old business model is simply not sustainable

Maybe the recession will come to an end later this year, but I wouldn't bet that things will get a lot better in Michigan for quite a long time

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Phil Power



Tedd Schneider

Home court advantage doesn't buy much these days, retailers find

They're hometown stores, so we pull for them with the same kind of passion we exhibit for our professional sports teams. We all want Kmart and Jacobson's to succeed

The local roots for both retailers run deep. Kmart has that gleaming headquarters building in Troy, of course. But the national discount chain ran its first-ever Blue Light Special from a single store (then owned by the S.S. Kresge Co.) on Ford Road in Garden City in 1962

Jacobson's — the 134 year old Jackson based company with 23 stores in Michigan, Ohio and Florida — forged much of its identity as southeastern Michigan's premier high end department store. In fact, as the original anchor store at Livonia's Laurel Park Place, Jacobson's played a huge role in making "upscale" shopping a short trip for people living and working in the western suburbs. Those (seemingly) half day commutes to Ann Arbor or the far reaches of Oakland County just weren't necessary any longer

But because the two chains — whose financial difficulties have become front page news in recent days — aren't nameless faceless companies run from some far away locale, we also tend to give them a pass when it comes to measuring up to the competition. While that's only human, it's not necessarily the best way to ensure either their long-term business health or our range of shopping choices

The sad fact is that while the current recession has certainly exacerbated the situation, there are other reasons Kmart was forced to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection this week following Jacobson's move in that direction just nine days ago. Reasons that have nothing to do with poor holiday sales or the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks

Most local shoppers could probably rattle them off without missing a beat. And odd as it sounds, many (myself included) have considerable experience whipping out their wallets at both the tony department stores and bargain basement discount counters — sometimes during the same shopping trip

Just step inside any local Kmart, particularly one of the older stores like the one on Seven Mile at Farmington Road in Livonia or the one on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township. You'll find cluttered, narrow aisles with merchandise stacked so high and haphazardly that it's difficult to see the directional signs hanging from the ceiling. The store layout thwarts anyone even thinking about making a five minute stop at lunch hour or on the way home from work

True, the Super K on Ford Road in Canton and

other newer stores feature better lighting, wider aisles and a cleaner look. But if the retailer's own, southeastern Michigan back yard is an example of its nationwide store replacement strategy, there just aren't enough of them to make a substantial difference. Not when you're competing with the likes of Wal-Mart and Target deep-pocketed chains that have for the last decade seemingly opened a new store every other week in virtually every American suburb large enough to accommodate one of their monster sized parking lots

Convenience is one reason many consumers choose their discount store. But industry analysts will tell you that prices are the biggest factor. Finding heavily advertised sale items in stock at Kmart is sometimes a challenge. In fact, an acquaintance once suggested (in jest I think) that they change the store name to Rancho City. And sure enough, every Kmart CEO from Joseph Antonini to the recently demoted Chuck Conaway has talked at one time or another about "new technology" that will "revolutionize the retailer's "inventory control system." Attention, Kmart executives: it hasn't happened

Jacobson's also struggles to compete with national retailers in its category. This wasn't so much a problem when you practically had to hop in a car and drive all the way to Chicago (OK, maybe Troy) for the closest upscale shopping experience. But over the last 10-15 years, national chains like Neiman Marcus and Nordstrom's have built stores in or near virtually every Mid-west city. They offer the same kind of merchandise, service and attention to detail that Jake built its reputation on over more than a century

They also offer something Jacobson's apparently can't match: Buzz, hype and image. Who doesn't know which store issues the famous (and really ridiculous when you think about it) Christmas catalogue that gets guaranteed free print and television exposure every year? That may not have much to do with a quality shopping experience, but in an age where media — and attention spans — are more fragmented than ever, it counts for something

Certainly, the hope here is that both retailers can turn things around in short order. For their employees, their investors and the local economy. But consumers — even those who carry fond memories of local institutions — won't turn a blind eye to their shortcomings forever

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Analysts differ on impact of Kmart bankruptcy filing

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It all officially started in 1962 with the opening of the first Kmart store in Garden City

But its ancestry traces back 102 years to the dime store concept of the S S Kresge Co. in Detroit. Descendants like Kmart Super Centers with one stop shopping, including clothing, housewares, garden supplies and groceries have followed over the years.

Now the retail giant, headquartered in Troy, totters financially, having filed for bankruptcy and protection from creditors while attempting to reorganize and survive.

"We're looking at possibly closing stores, but locations haven't been decided yet," said Stephen Pagnani, media relations manager for Kmart. "We're formulating a plan and expect to make and announce decisions soon."

Arrangements have been made to fund employee salaries and benefits with the bankruptcy filing, Pagnani added.

Analysts here differ on Kmart's future.

Bankruptcy doesn't mean certain death with massive job losses and vacant buildings, said Frederick Marx, partner and retail analyst with Marx Layne in Farmington Hills.

"A lot of retailers, Macy's, Bloomingdale's and Toys R-Us, have gone through the process and come out successful," Marx said. "Without question, I think

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Wayne County Prosecutor Michael Duggan is warning suburban residents against driving to Detroit for prostitutes or drugs, saying authorities will seize their cars.

"Do not drive in to Detroit looking for prostitutes because you will get caught," Duggan said, "and you will lose your car."

Duggan's office and Detroit police have launched a program intended to seize vehicles used in prostitution and drug crimes, and first-time offenders will have to pay \$900 to get them back in addition to facing criminal charges.

Those fines will increase by \$900 for each additional offense.

Duggan's office has found that while many of the crimes occur in Detroit, 46 percent of the defendants come from the suburbs.

"There's no question that people think they can drive into Detroit to get a hooker," Duggan said. "If we have people driving in an area with money in their hands, we're going to continue to have prostitution problems."

Suburbanites seeking prostitutes know the "hot-bed areas" where the criminal activity occurs, he said.

Arrest records show that the majority of defendants are primarily "kids and young adults" who have no criminal history, according to the prosecutor's office.

Detroit policing agencies last year seized 11,123 vehicles from people involved in prostitution or drug crimes. Of those, 505 came from just seven Observer communities: Westland, Livonia, Redford, Garden City, Farmington, Plymouth and Canton.

Of those 505 suspects, 120 came from Redford, 116 from Westland, 104 from Livonia, 75 from Farmington and Farmington Hills, 51 from Canton, 25 from Garden City and 14 from Plymouth.

"Nobody would dream of driving down Five Mile in Livonia looking for a hooker," he said. "I'm trying to make suburbanites understand that they can't do that in Detroit, either."

Westland Police Chief Emery Price said suburban law enforcement agencies, too, have had similar crackdowns on prostitution and drugs.

"We've gone through that before even out in our area, in Inkster and Wayne along Michigan Avenue," he said. "Does it reduce (the problem)? Sure. But, it's something you've got to stay on top of and continue to work on."

Price said he believes such police crackdowns do deter some people from seeking out prostitutes and drugs.

Kmart will go forward."

And Marx suspects metro Detroiters, whom he said often support the underdog, will rally to this longtime, hometown business in trouble.

"People here understand how important Kmart is in this community and I think they will support them more," Marx said. "I see an outpouring of customers. Even customers who abandoned the company for whatever reason, I think, will come back and give Kmart another chance."

Marx doesn't see many store closings or job losses here with bankruptcy.

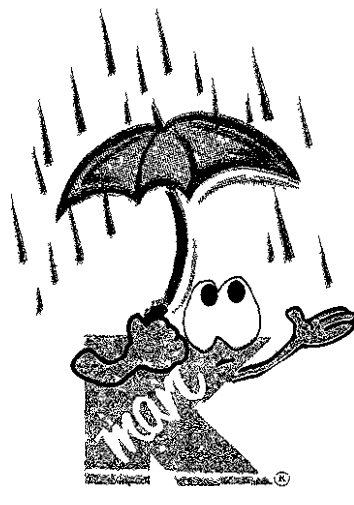
"They have outstanding real estate strategic locations in metro Detroit," Marx said. "That's their ace in the deck. By and

large, their stores in metro Detroit are among their best stores."

And if Kmart stores were to close here, they would be highly desirable and probably not vacant for long, Marx added. "All are on one floor and there's lots of parking."

James V. McTevia, chair

man of McTevia & Associates, a firm that specializes in bankruptcies and business turnarounds, has a less optimistic view of



Kmart's future.

"There's no doubt in my mind they will come out of Chapter 11 (bankruptcy) but in the next five, 10 or 15 years, there won't be a Kmart," he said.

McTevia's assessment for the short term: "A number of stores will have to be closed,

downsized, a lot of people will lose jobs." Both here and around the country, he added.

Also, the publicly owned company

has lost the confidence of its investors, who have seen the value of their stock plummet, McTevia said.

"What a lot of people can't understand is everything in the world has a lifespan," McTevia said. "No one lives forever. No company lives forever."

"In essence, what bankruptcy gives Kmart is time," McTevia said. "Kmart has approximately 500 stores that are unprofitable and it (bankruptcy) gives Kmart the opportunity to get out of every one of those leases."

"It cleans up the balance sheet and gives the opportunity to pay creditors less than 100 cents on the dollar," he added.

What will it take for Kmart to survive?

"They probably will have to do some retrenching," Marx said. "Stores have to have stock they advertise and staff to get people through lines quickly. It's back to basics."

"Certainly in terms of providing absolutely the best customer service is essential and that's something every associate can do," said Tom Scott, spokesman for the Michigan Retailers Association.

"Go the extra mile to make sure the shopping experience is pleasant and worthwhile," he added. "Not getting a defeatist attitude."

Livonia, Plymouth, Canton, Farmington, Westland and Garden City all have Kmart stores within their boundaries. Two others, in Detroit and Southfield, are just outside Redford.

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Comedy recalls memories of growing up Catholic

Playing Sister in *Late Nite Catechism* brings back a lot of memories for Jan Chimento. She spent plenty of time in the principal's office of a Catholic school while growing up. Now she finds humor in the situation, but back then it wasn't funny.

ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

"I was suspended several times for talking back," said Chimento, a New Orleans resident who now gets paid for interacting with audiences in her one-woman show coming to the Costick Center in Farmington Hills on Saturday, Jan. 26.

Produced by Entertainment Events of New York City, *Late Nite Catechism* was written by Vicki Quade and Maripat Donovan in 1993 and debuted at the Live Bait Theatre in Chicago before moving to an Off-Broadway venue in 1996. Chimento began doing the comedy twice a week in September 2000 at Le Petit Theatre in New Orleans under the auspices of Donovan's company, Entertainment Events. Now Chimento flies around the country giving performances.

Clean humor

"It's a fun show, very clean humor. If you're not Catholic you'll still love it," Chimento said. "It's set up as an adult catechism class and Sister's upset because there have been a lot of changes in the Catholic Church. The play compares Catholicism before Vatican II and now Sister's been teaching religion for 30 years. It shows us the changes she's been through in 30 years and three popes."

"They turned the altar around so the priest could face the people. The Mass is in English now, not Latin, so we have a hootenanny. Whacking with a ruler is out because of lawsuits and not eating meat on Friday is a thing of the past."

As Chimento talked, my own memories came flooding back. The nuns at St. Gabriel's School in Southwest Detroit were much like Sister, stern but in a loving sort of way. Well, except for when Kevin, the class clown, began throwing spit balls. But for the rest of us who rarely saw their wrath, the nuns held no threat. Of course, it was kind of scary when they'd twirl their huge rosaries, which were attached to their waists, as they talked.

Please see CHOMIN, B3

Late Nite Catechism

What: An interactive comedy starring "Sister," a nun who takes the audience to task as she teaches an adult religion class.

When: 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 26

Where: Costick Center, 28800 West 11 Mile, Farmington Hills

Tickets: \$30, includes dinner catered by Gourmet Express. Call (248) 473-1800



Storytellers share cultural lessons, explore history

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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LaRon Williams believes that to "love one's own culture is not enough." People of all ethnic groups need to share their histories in order to appreciate the differences and similarities.

An African American, Williams relays the lessons of slavery and the Civil Rights struggle through tales about the perseverance of Africans originally brought to this country against their will and the generations that followed. In time, he hopes to promote understanding that will enable a united America to build a future on its strengths.



LaRon Williams

Too heavy a subject for children? Williams thinks not. It's all in the way a story is presented. With each turn of a page, books capture children's attention through pictures and color. Williams uses traditional African and American musical instruments, movement, language, and facial expressions to conjure up images that will hold the interest of children as well as adults.

On Saturday, Jan. 26, the Ann Arbor resident brings his one-man show to the Storytelling Festival at Summit on the Park Community Center. Williams is one of three storytellers sharing multicultural tales

in afternoon and evening programs presented by Canton Project Arts.

"The stories are woven around a message of peaceful conflict resolution, collective problem solving," said Williams. "They're stories about Africans and African Americans, rooted in folk tales. I hook the story up with the flow of history. The more we know that history, the more we're able to understand our society today."

Journey

Williams takes the listeners on a journey across America in a lyrical, down-home-voice. A graduate of Eastern Michigan University, he taught preschool in Ann Arbor before becoming a professional storyteller 11 years ago.

"There were stories the children loved to hear over and over again," said Williams. "After reading them many times, I realized I hadn't even looked at the book. I knew it by heart."

Now Williams travels the Midwest telling stories woven around the African American experience.

"It's the same message for kids and adults," said Williams. "It's a very interactive, very energetic style geared to a 5 to 6-year old. Adults get bored with stories so I almost always use music. I play a variety of traditional instruments, djembe, an African drum, mbira, thumb piano, and bones."

Yes, bones. Originally African Americans, and more than likely, Africans used the ribs from a cow or horse to create different rhythm patterns. Today Williams uses bones manufactured from wood.

Some people respond very much to

music," said Williams. "Music helps to enhance the story, children especially like a story accompanied by music."

"I try to set them in a historical context to understand ourselves and society. We live in a society which has its underpinnings in racial inequality from the extermination of the original people who lived here to the exploitation of Chinese and African. We have to start to share our stories, common person stories, Chinese workers who built the railroads."

Corinne Stavish strives to educate children and adults about different cultures and their histories as artistic coordinator of the Canton Storytelling Festival. For the fourth annual event she invited Anne Shimojima, a Japanese American who specializes in Asian tales. A school librarian for 26 years, Shimojima gives workshops on the use of storytelling in the classroom.

Mary-Eileen McClear brings tales from her audio cassette, *Oh Canada! Strange but True Stories of Early*



Anne Shimojima

Canada. McClear founded the Second Story Workshop in a renovated barn in Baden, Ontario. It is a warm and welcoming venue for not only storytelling but workshops on the art.

Diverse programming

"I'm excited about the diversity in programming this year. There's different cultures represented from Anne Shimojima to Mary-Eileen McClear who specializes in true unbelievable tales of Canada, wonderful, spellbinding stories. There are three ethnic groups we've not had represented in the festival in its first three years," said Stavish, a storyteller who focuses on Jewish folklore with a Russian flavor.

"My favorite tellers make me feel first and then think. As with all stories I respond to them with my heart. What I love about Ron is he's a warm and personable man. I've gained an appreciation for his culture. Mary-Eileen is Stratford Festival storyteller-in-residence. Each year she tells stories relating to the plays."

"The afternoon sessions are for children age 4 and up. There are great stories for kids that involve them and in the evening for adults."

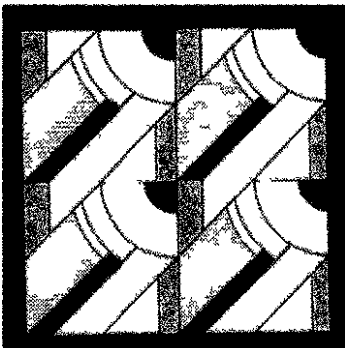
According to Stavish, storytelling began as an adult medium. "Storytelling is the first form of theater," said Stavish who teaches a class in drama history at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. "I'm encouraging my students to go to the festival in the evening to hear theater as scholars believe it originated with one actor doing all the parts."

"All benefit from storytelling. It's uplifting and such an exciting way for families to share an art form. At performances, I've watched families turn to one another and giggle."

EXHIBIT

Modular painting:

This oil and magna on canvas by Roy Lichtenstein is one of 46 works recently donated to Cranbrook Art Academy by Dr. John and Mrs. Rose M. Shuey of Detroit. The contemporary collection continues on exhibit through April 7.



BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Geometric color seems to rush through space inside the gallery at the Cranbrook Art Museum as if in a single moment, catharsis has struck a group of artists armed with brushes loaded with fluorescent and brilliantly tinted paint.

Director of the Bloomfield Hills museum Gregory Wittkopp and staff, along with a crew of Cranbrook Academy of Art graduate students, are in the midst of installing a collection of 46 contemporary works of art from a period spanning the mid-'60s to mid-'80s. Recently donated to the institution by Rose M. Shuey

of Detroit, the collection includes pieces by some of the most important artists of the post-World War II era.

Edson Pelé, one from a series of star athlete portraits by Andy Warhol from the late '70s, leans inconspicuously against a wall in one of the museum's back wings.

A few steps to the left is Robert Rauschenberg's *Moon Burn (Scale Series)*, an intriguing piece comprised of vertical wood panels overlaid with horizontal bands of colored fabric, found objects, four dangling light bulbs and a reflective plane that juts out from the work's base.

Please see CRANBROOK, B3

What: Three Decades of Contemporary Art: The Dr. John and Mrs. Rose M. Shuey Collection, 46 major contemporary art works, including pieces by Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein, Robert Rauschenberg and Bridget Riley.

When: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday, (until 9 p.m.) on Friday, through Sunday, April 7.

Where: Cranbrook Art Museum, 39221 Woodward Ave., on the Cranbrook Educational Community campus in Bloomfield Hills.

Tickets: Admission is \$5 adults, \$3 children age 6-17, seniors and full-time students. No charge for children under age 5 and members, call (877) 462-7262 or visit www.cranbrook.edu.

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PUPPETS GO TO OZ

Pippin Puppets present Munchkin Holiday 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday Sunday, Jan 26-27 at the Theatre Guild of Livonia Redford, 16138 Beech Daly, south of Five Mile. Tickets are \$5. Call (313) 531-0554

FLAMENCO NIGHT

The progressive Flamenco troupe Tne Rose opens for Dame Maria Del Carmen's Grupo Espana Flamenco Dance Troupe 7 p.m. Monday, Jan 28, at the Penn Theatre 760 Penniman in Plymouth. For tickets, call (734) 667-

8313, for information, (734) 254-0021

Fire Rose combines traditional Flamenco music and dance forms with elements of jazz, rock, Afro-Cuban and New Age music

JAZZ CONCERT

Paul Keller's eight piece ensemble plays music for a Pre Mardi Gras Party 3-6 p.m. Sunday, Feb 10 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall in Livonia

There will be room for dancing so call early to reserve tickets (\$12) Call (248) 476-2674

UPCOMING BENEFIT

Denim and diamonds is the theme of the Plymouth Community Arts Council's annual dinner dance and auction Saturday, March 2, at St John's Golf and Conference Center, Plymouth

Tickets are \$75, \$65 for members Call (734) 416-4278 All

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The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra holds its Alive with Musical Color Youth Artist Competition Sunday, March 3 at Evola Music in Canton

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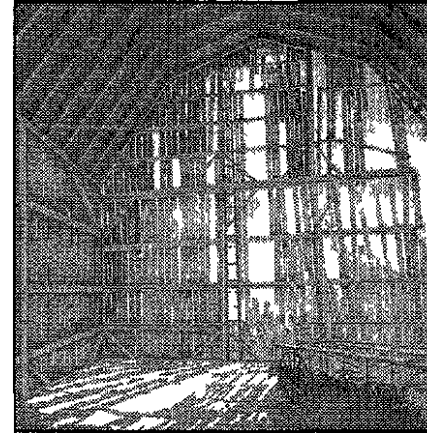
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Interested artists should send resumes to Artist in Residence Initiative, VSA arts of Michigan, 51 West Hancock Detroit, MI 48201. For more information, call (313) 832-3303 or send e-mail to vsam@ac.net



Final days: A one-man show of West Bloomfield artist Jim Patterson's watercolor paintings continues to Wednesday, Jan 30, in the Fine Arts Gallery at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. For information, call (734) 466-2536

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PLAYERS GUILD OF DEARBORN: *Beau Jest* 8 p m Friday Saturday, Jan 25-26 2 30 p m Sunday, Jan 27 (313) 561 TKTS, www.playersguildofdearborn.org

REDDUB PRODUCTIONS: *Agnes of God* 8 p m Thursday Saturday Jan 24-26 and 2 p m Saturday Sunday Jan 26-27 at Riverside Arts Center 76 North Huron Street Ypsilanti \$14 \$10 seniors/students (734) 663 7167

RIDGEALE PLAYERS: Neil Simon's *The Good Doctor* 8 p m Friday Saturday, Jan 25-26 3 p m Sunday, Jan 27 205 West Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks Troy \$12 \$11 Sunday (248) 988-7049

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ST. DUNSTON'S THEATRE GUILD: Neil Simon's *Jake s Women* 8 p m Thursday Saturday Jan 24-26 Cranbrook Bloomfield Hills \$12 \$10 senior citizens/students (248) 644-0527

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ANDOVER THESPIANS: One Acts Festival with selections from Neil Simon's *The Odd Couple* William Inge's *The Social Event* and Sam Shepard's *Fool for Love* 7 30 p m Saturday, Feb 2 and 1 30 p m Sunday, Feb 3 at Andover High School, Bloomfield Hills \$8 \$5 seniors/students (248) 645-4679

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UMS SERIES: Combines music and words in an evening with the American String Quartet and Da Camera of Houston in "Marcel Proust's Paris" features 19th century works by Gabriel Faure Claude Debussy Cesar Franck and Reynaldo Hahn interspersed with readings from Proust's *Swann's Way* and *Within a Budding Grove* 8 p m Saturday Jan 26 at Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre 911 North University Ann Arbor \$25 \$35 (734) 764-2538

VALENTINE'S DAY

ROMANTIC DINNER: Begins with a champagne reception and tour of Meadow Brook Hall 110-room Tudor revival style historic auto baron mansion at 7 p m followed by dinner at 8 p m Thursday Friday Feb 14-15 at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland

University Rochester \$75 (248) 370-3140

SINGING VALENTINE: The Renaissance Chorus barbershop quartet will serenade your sweet heart at home work or anywhere else in Wayne, Westland Garden City or the Livonia area 8 a m to 9 p m Thursday Feb 14 or Saturday Sunday, Feb 16-17 In addition to the serenade your sweetheart will receive a red rose and personalized Valentine's Day card The quartet will even deliver your special gift \$40 To reserve a time call (734) 522-4258 Leave your name phone number location directions and time (within a 4 hour window) when you'd like your sweetheart serenaded Orders will be taken until Wednesday Feb 13

SMOKEY ROBINSON: In concert 8 p m Thursday, Feb 14 at Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts 350 Madison Detroit \$25 \$100 a limited amount of tickets available for Valentine's Evening Afterglow (313) 963 2366

VALENTINE CONCERT. Rita Kirsch and Candy Cow present an interactive program with singing creative movement and puppetry for ages 2-7 and parents 7-8 p m Tuesday Feb 12, at The Community House 380 South Bates Birmingham \$4 (248) 644-5832 to register

BENEFITS

BENEFIT CONCERT: 7 p m Saturday Jan 26 at Canton Charter Academy Ford and Ridge Road Canton \$8 \$30 for family of four or more Proceeds benefit the music program at the academy (734) 667 2247 or (734) 454 3486

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SYMPHONY: Pianist David Syme performs during a Red White & Blue Salute concert honoring area firemen, evening begins with a benefit dinner 4 30 p m Sunday Feb 3, followed by concert at 7 p m at Temple Beth El 7400 Telegraph at 14 Mile Bloomfield Hills \$50 for dinner/concert \$25 concert only free for students (248) 645 BBSO
BLACKTHORN: The Irish group performs for a benefit for the Groves High School Class of 2002 all night graduation party 7 30 p m Saturday Jan 26 in Groves Little Theater \$20 advance \$25 at door (248) 203 3530

DENIM AND DIAMONDS: A fundraiser for the Plymouth Community Arts Council annual dinner dance and auction Saturday, March 2 at St. John's Golf and Conference Center Plymouth \$75 \$65 for members (734) 416 4278 All proceeds from the benefit support arts council programming

MARDI GRAS: The Livonia Symphony Orchestra offers two ways of celebrating Mardi Gras with a sit down dinner silent auction and performances by brass and string quartets and orchestra Friday, Feb 8 festivities begin at 6 p m concert at 8 p m silent auc

tion closes 9 30 p m at Laurel Manor 39000 Schoolcraft Livonia \$50 includes dinner/concert and silent auction \$20 concert and silent auction (734) 425 4855

CLASSICAL

DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS: Concert 3 p m Sunday, Jan 27 Chrst Church Cranbrook \$22 adults \$18 students/seniors \$10 children (248) 559 2095

DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. The 18 year old German violinist Julia Fischer makes her DSO debut performing Mozart's *Violin Concerto No 3* Neeme Jarvi conducting also Mahler's *Symphony No 7* 8 p m Thursday Jan 24 1 30 p m and 8 p m Friday Jan 25 and 8 30 p m Saturday Jan 26 Mendelssohn's Italian concert with pianist Alexander Markovich 1 30 p m and 8 p m Friday Feb 1 8 30 p m Saturday Feb 2 and 3 p m Sunday Feb 3 at Orchestra Hall 3711 Woodward Ave Detroit \$20-\$54 (313) 576 5111

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

BIRMINGHAM CONCERT BAND: Looking for new musicians 65 member adult band, all instruments welcome especially low brass and percussion Rehearse Wednesday evening in the Groves High School band room (248) 474 4997 (248) 647 7586 or visit www.birminghamconcertband.com

GREAT LAKES LYRIC OPERA: Auditions for *Love in a Village* Sunday Jan 27 prefer to hear tenors five tenor roles available all roles paid For performances June 21-22 Call (248) 594-4594 for appointment or send e mail to GLLCO@mediaone.net

MARQUIS THEATER. Auditions for children ages 8-15 for *Jack and the Beanstalk* 2 p m Saturday Jan 26 at the theater 135 East Main Northville (248) 349 8110

PERFORMANCE NETWORK: Seeks proposals from individuals and groups for 2002 Treetown Festival (May 29 Aug 25) categories include theater performance art dance new work and avant garde each piece will be staged for one or two weekends with access to the Network's technical and marketing resources Deadline for application is Feb 14 (734) 663 0696 or send e mail to pnetwork@bizserve.com for proposal packet For application form visit the Website at www.pnetwork.org

PONTIAC THEATRE IV: Open auditions for *Little Shop of Horrors* 2 5 p m Sunday Jan 27 and 7 9 p m Monday Tuesday Jan 28-29 Tuesday for callbacks only at the Ruth Peterson Center 990 Joslyn Road Pontiac For performances May 10-11 and 17-18 in the Strand Theater Pontiac (248) 673 9827

SESAME STREET LIVE: Auditions for full body costume characters live performer positions and hand/rod puppeteers for the national touring company VEE Entertainment Corporation producer of *Sesame Street Live*, *Dragon Tales Live* and *Bear in the Big Blue House Live* 2 p m Friday Jan 25 at the Fox Theatre 2211 Woodward Detroit (612) 375 9670 ext 704 or online at www.vee.com

POPS/SWING/ CABARET

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

JAZZ/BLUES

MARK ARSHAK: 9 p m Thursday Jan 31, at Edison s, 220 Merrill Birmingham No cover (248) 645 2150

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

THORNETTA DAVIS: 9 p m Friday Saturday Jan 25-26 at Edison s 220 Merrill Birmingham No cover (248) 645 2150

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

CHARLIE HADEN: And his Quartet West with Strings 8 p m Friday Jan 25 at the Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, 911 North University Avenue Ann Arbor \$20 \$35 (734) 764 2538

WOODY HERMAN ORCHESTRA: 8 p m Thursday Jan 31 at Orchestra Hall 3711 Woodward Ave Detroit \$18-\$49 (313) 576 5111

ROBERT JONES: Performs as part of the Northville Arts Commission's Winter Concert Series 3 p m Sunday, Jan 27, in Genetti's Little Theatre, Northville \$7 (248) 449 9945, ext 9950

PAUL KELLER: And ensemble provide the music for a Pre Mardi Gras Party 3 6 p m Sunday Feb 10 at the Monaghan Knights of Columbus Hall in Livonia There will be room for dancing so call early to reserve tickets which are \$12 (248) 476 2674

BRETT LUCAS BAND: 9 p m Thursday Jan 24 at Edison's, 220 Merrill, Birmingham No cover (248) 645 2150

KRIS LYNN: 5 30-8 30 p m Friday at Harlequin Jazz Cafe Indian Village, Detroit No cover (313) 331 0922

MATT MICHAELS TRIO: 8-11 30 p m Wednesday, Jan 30 vocalist Barbara Ware Ron s Fireside Inn 28937 Warren Road, two blocks east of Middlebelt Road (734) 762 7756

CARL MICHEL QUARTET: 8 30 p m Saturday, Jan 26 at Fishbones Southfield (248) 351 2925 or www.jazzcorner.com/michel

LARRY NOZERO JAZZ QUINTET: Perform 8 p m to midnight Monday, at Mitch Houseys Food & Spirits, Livonia (734) 425 5520 or visit www.larrynozero.com

TONY POPE'S N'ORLEANS SIX: 3-6 p m Saturday Jan 26 and every other weekend through June 1 at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield \$6 (248) 476-2674

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

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

WORLD MUSIC

PAT MCDUNN. 8 11 p m Friday at Duke Humphries Rochester Hills No cover (248) 601 1100 (Irish)

THE CHIEFTAINS: 3 p m Sunday Jan 27 at Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor \$16-\$35 (734) 764-2538 (Irish)

CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE

FIRE ROSE: Opens for Dame Mana Del Carmen s Grupo Espana Flamenco Dance Troupe 7 p m Monday Jan 28 Fire Rose combines traditional Flamenco music and dance forms with elements of jazz, rock, Afro-Cuban, and New Age music, at the Penn Theatre 760 Penniman in Plymouth Tickets call (734) 667

8313 for information (734) 254-0021

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN DANCE COMPANY: Evening of modern dance flavored by traditional performance in *Ancient Steps Forward Glances* 8 p m Thursday Saturday Jan 31 Feb 2 2 p m Sunday Feb 3, Power Center for the Performing Arts 121 Fletcher St Ann Arbor, \$20 \$15 reserved seating students with ID \$7 (734) 764-2538

SOCIAL DANCING

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

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

U-M BALLROOM DANCE CLUB: Ballroom dance lesson and open dancing 4 10 p m Sunday, at the Union Ballroom Ann Arbor \$2 (734) 763-6984

WATERFORD-OAKS BALLROOM DANCING. 8 11 p m Friday Feb 1, at 2800 Watkins Lake Road Waterford (248) 673-4764

COMEDY

ANN ARBOR COMEDY SHOWCASE: Tim Cavanagh Thursday Saturday, Jan 31 Feb 2 at the club, Ann Arbor (734) 996 9080

COMEDY CLUB NIGHTS: Leo DuFour 8 30 p m Wednesday Jan 30 Jef Brannan 8 30 p m Wednesday Feb 6, at Texas Smoke Bar & Grill, 543 North Main, Rochester \$5 cover (248) 650-8170

JOEY'S COMEDY CLUB AT PAISANO'S: Al Romero Thursday-Sunday Jan 24-27, Sheila Kay Thursday Saturday, Jan 31 Feb 2 at the club 5070 Schaefer Road, Dearborn (313) 584-8885

MARK RIDLEY'S COMEDY CLUB: Steve Bills Thursday Saturday, Jan 24-26, John Pinette Thursday Saturday, Jan 31-Feb 2 \$6 Thursday, \$12 Friday, \$14 Saturday (248) 542 9900

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: 39221 Woodward Avenue 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 INSTITUTE OF ARTS: Continues its Friday night program ming with Family Friday Jan 25, Puppet performance of "Bathtub Pirates" (6 & 7 30 p m, Lecture Hall) by the Grey Seal Puppets, Debra Christian tells stories about heroes and heroines (6 30 & 8 00 p m, North Court), Docent Tours (6 & 7 30 p m, Prentiss Court) Half-hour tour featuring highlights of the museum or Modern works with a DIA expert

■ Detroit Film Theatre (7 & 9 30 p m), at the museum, 5200 Woodward Free with admission \$4, \$1 children, free for Founders Society members (313) 833 7900 or visit the Web site at www.dia.org

DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER: Lou Kassischke one of only a few climbers to have survived the worst disaster in Mt Everest history, speaks 7 9 p m Saturday Jan 26 in the center's IMAX Dome Theatre 5020 John R Detroit \$25 for members \$30 non members, includes lecture and showing of Everest continuing in the IMAX Dome Theatre noon, 2 p m and 4 p m Saturday-Sunday in January \$4 plus general admission (313) 577 8400

HENRY FORD MUSEUM: New hours are 9 a m to 5 p m Monday Saturday, and noon to 5 p m Sunday When Greenfield Village

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Making contact: Please submit popular music items for publication to Stephanie Casola; all others to Linda Chomin, two weeks in advance to the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or by fax (734) 591-7279

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reopens April 1 same hours apply \$7 50 \$14 (313) 271 1620 For IMAX ticket prices and show times call (800) 747 IMAX (4629)

MEADOW BROOK HALL: Tours continue through June 1 30 p m, Monday Sunday and 2 30 p m and 3 30 p m Sunday tea served 3-4 30 p m Tuesday, Feb 19 (\$30 prepaid reservations required), at the hall in Rochester Reservations required (248) 370 3140 or www.meadowbrookhall.org

WRIGHT MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY: *In the Spirit of Martin Luther King, Jr* continues to July 28, Jacob Lawrence and the Story of John Brown comprised of a series of 22 serigraphs continues on exhibit through March 3 The images narrate the story of abolitionist John Brown and his quest to end slavery, in the Bank One Gallery at the museum, 315 E Warren Detroit (313) 494 5800

LIVE MUSIC

ADRIAN BELEW & THE BEARS: 8 p m Friday Feb 1, The Magic Bag Ferndale \$18 (248) 645 6666

ALICIA KEYS: 7 30 p m Tuesday, Jan 29 State Theatre, Detroit \$35 75 \$43 25 (248) 645-6666

BARRY MANLOW: 8 p m Friday Saturday Feb 15 16, Fox Theatre, Detroit \$17 50 \$67 50 (248) 645 6666

CRAIG DAVID: 8 p m Feb 10, The Royal Oak Theatre Royal Oak \$25 All ages (248) 645 6666

CREED: The Weathered Tour With Puddle of Mud Monday Feb 11 The Palace of Auburn Hills \$36 50-\$42 50 (248) 645 6666

CROSBY, STILLS, NASH & YOUNG: Tour of America 8 p m Wednesday Feb 6, The Palace of Auburn Hills \$43 \$88 50 (248) 645 6666

DC TALK: 7 30 p m Thursday, Jan 24 Hill Auditorium, on the University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor \$19 26 (734) 763 TKTS

DOOBIE BROTHERS: 8 p m Jan 29 Palace of Auburn Hills \$29 and \$14 (248) 645 6666

GORDON LIGHTFOOT: 8 p m Saturday April 27 Michigan Theatre Ann Arbor \$37 50 \$42 50 (248) 645-6666 or (734) 763 TKTS

GREAT BIG SEA: Saturday March 16 St Andrews Hall, Detroit \$25 (248) 645 6666

JASON HARROD: 7 30 p m Wednesday, March 6, Trinity House Theatre Livonia \$10, \$8 for theatre members (734)464-6302

JACK SCOTT: Birthday celebration/concert 9 p m to 1 p m Saturday, Jan 26 Cover \$15, T Bonz 1711 Auburn Road, Rochester Hills (248) 293 9000

JUDAS PRIEST: With Anthrax Iced Earth tour is rescheduled to 8 p m Tuesday, Feb 19 The Palace of Auburn Hills \$18 50-\$29 50 Tickets for the original date(s) will be honored or may be refunded at the point of purchase (248) 645 6666

KHALED & HAKIM: 8 p m, Sunday, Feb 17 The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak \$40 and \$100 21 and over (248) 645 6666

LARRY MAXWELL: 8-11 p m Thursday Saturday, at Duke Humphries Rochester Hills No cover (248) 601-1100

LEON RUSSELL: 8 p m Friday, Feb 8 The Magic Bag, Ferndale \$20 (248) 544-3030 for information, (248) 645 6666 for tickets

LINKIN PARK: With Cypress Hill, Adema and DJ Z Trip 7 p m Monday Feb 4, at Cobo Arena, Detroit \$29 50 (248) 645-6666

LUTHER VANDROSS: 8 p m Friday, Feb 8 Fox Theatre, Detroit (248) 645 6666

MIKE ROE: 8 p m, Wednesday, March 13, Trinity House Theatre Livonia \$15, \$13 for theatre members (734) 464-6302

OAK RIDGE BOYS: 8 p m, Sunday, Feb 17 Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn \$27 \$30 (313) 943 2354

PAT METHENY GROUP: 8 p m Thursday March 7 Detroit Opera House \$45 \$75 (248) 645-6666

PETER, PAUL AND MARY: 7 30 p m Thursday, April 11, Detroit Opera House Detroit \$42 50 (248) 645 6666

RANDALL BRAMBLETT: 8 p m Friday, Feb 15 Trinity House Theatre Livonia \$10 \$8 for theatre members (734) 464-6302

RANI ARBO AND BROOKS WILLIAMS: 8 p m Thursday, Feb 28 Trinity House Theatre, Livonia



Puppet show: Rob Papineau and his Pippin Puppets take a trip to Oz in the show Munchkin Holiday 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Jan. 26-27, at the Theatre Guild of Livonia-Redford, 15138 Beech Daly, south of Five Mile. Tickets are \$5. Call (313) 531-0554.

\$10, \$8 for members (734) 464-6302

SUPER DIAMOND: Neil Diamond tribute band, Thursday, Jan 24, Royal Oak Music Theatre Royal Oak \$12 \$13 21 and older (248) 645-6666

SEVENDUST: 9 p m Saturday, Jan 26, The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak \$10 21 and older (248) 645 6666

SMOKEY ROBINSON: 8 p m Thursday, Feb 14, Music Hall Center for the Performing Arts, 350 Madison Detroit \$25-\$100 (248) 645 6666

TANGERINE DREAM: 9 p m Sunday, Feb 10 The Second City, Detroit \$30 (248) 645-6666

TWIZTD: 9 p m Friday March 15 The Royal Oak Theatre, Royal Oak Tickets \$16 advance \$17 day of show All ages (248) 645 6666

VICTOR WOOTEN: 8 p m, Tuesday, Feb 5 The Magic Bag, Ferndale \$18 (248) 544-3030 for information (248) 645 6666 for tickets

CALL FOR ARTISTS

FRANKLIN VILLAGE BAND: Adult musicians from southeastern Michigan are invited to join the Franklin Village Band All instruments welcome, but there is a special need for flutes and clarinets The band rehearses Monday evenings in the Franklin Community Church social hall on Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile roads For more details call Bill Prisk, (248) 474-8869 or Bob Zimmerman, (313) 535 4119

POETRY LOUNGE: Join the Open Mic poetry series at Affirmations Lesbian and Gay Community Center, 195 W Nine Mile Road, Ferndale Bring original and/or published poems to read or just come and listen Poetry Lounge every third Wednesday through April in the Pittman Puckett Art Gallery within the community center (248) 398-7105

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS: The family of recently deceased artist Ricki Berlin have established a fund to honor her memory at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center Current and future artists seeking scholarships for classes at the Art Center are invited to submit requests to Deborah Callahan, education coordinator, Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 S Cranbrook, Birmingham, MI, 48009

SINGER AUDITIONS: The Cantana Academy chorale periodically accepts experienced singers in all vocal ranges to join the chorale Call (248) 358-9868 to schedule an audition Singers should prepare a classical piece and be ready for sight reading Auditions last approximately 15 minutes

VSA ARTS OF MICHIGAN: Looking for professional artists who are interested in sharing their creative processes in dance, drama, literature, music poetry and the visual arts with students with disabilities Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabilities

Qualified artists will be trained to work with students at an Artist in Residence Training Institute to

take place at the R A MacMullan Conference Center at Higgins Lake in Roscommon June 15 18 Following training VSA arts of Michigan will provide work for artists in artist in residence programs in K 12 schools throughout the state Interested artists should send resumes to Artist-in-Residence Initiative VSA arts of Michigan 51 West Hancock Detroit, MI 48201 For more information, call (313) 832 3303 or send e mail to vsami@ic.net

ART CLASSES

ANN ARBOR ART CENTER Adult and youth courses including ceramics jewelry making figure sculpting and drawing Renaissance painting tilemaking, mosaics, glass blowing pottery puppetry, clay on the wheel and more 117 W Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004 Ext 101

ART GALLERY/STUDIO: Carol Knotts teaches basic drawing for six weeks beginning 1 3 p m Thursday, Feb 7 Maggie Cooney and Kay Rowe teach watercolor in March and April In the Sheridan Shopping Center, Garden City (734) 261 0379

ART OF LIVING STUDIO: Drawing, scarf dyeing and awakening your artistic vision classes book conversation and poetry nights 11 S Broadway, Lake Orion (248) 693 3632

CREATIVE ARTS CENTER: Classes for children, teens and adults in art, music, drama and dance Eight-week term began Jan 19 47 Williams Street, Pontiac (248) 333 7849 Scholarships available for students with financial need

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL: Classes in drawing paintings, ceramics, theater for children, mandala art class, 7 9 p m Tuesday Jan 29 774 North Sheldon (734) 416-4278

TOUCH OF LIGHT: The Studio and Gallerie of Handblown Glass offers classes in glass blowing No experience necessary Classes meet Wednesday Friday evenings and Saturday Sunday afternoons 23426 Woodward Ave Ferndale (248) 543 1868

PLYMOUTH REED AND CANE: Basket weaving classes, work shops and chair caning and seat replacement classes Beginning Decorative Painting Class, fabric painting and other classes, 1200 W Ann Arbor Road Plymouth (734) 455 2150

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-DEARBORN VISUAL ART ASSOCIATION OF LIVONIA: Classes in various arts forms including oil, watercolor, pastel and drawing at the Jefferson Center Room 16 9501 Henry Ruff, Livonia Mary Ann Adams, (734) 455 9517

DANCE

ARGENTINE TANGO CLUB OF DETROIT: Tango group classes are offered weekly at various locations For information on workshops and classes call (313) 724 3262

BALLET WORKSHOP: Suzanne Hawkins Ballet Workshop offers

ballet classes for teens and adults in beginning through advanced levels weekday mornings in Sterling Heights and Rochester Also on Sunday mornings at 132 Varner Hall Oakland University Rochester campus (248) 652-3003

DEBORAH CHASE SCHOOL OF DANCE: Accepting new students for a comprehensive program in dance, art and musical theater 29820 Joy, Livonia (734) 513-2004 or (734) 421-4212

DETROIT BALLET: Classes in child and adult classical ballet, tap and jazz Adult beginners welcome Classes offered at the Betty Johnston Dance Studio in Farmington Hills at Folsom and Nine Mile Road (248) 474 3174

DEBBIE FELTON'S ACADEMY OF DANCE: Taking registrations for enrollment 16312 Middlebelt, Livonia (734) 524-0104

EVENTS

MEADOW BROOK HALL: Offers Tea on Tuesdays, the third Tuesday of each month, 3-4:30 p m \$30, reservations required (248) 370 3140

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

A.C.,T GALLERY: Six Detroit area artists exhibit works on the theme, *Location, Location, Location*, opening with an artist reception, 6 9 p m, Friday, Jan 25 and continuing through Feb 23 35 East Grand River Detroit (313) 961-4336

BIRMINGHAM BLOOMFIELD ART CENTER: Faculty exhibition continues to Feb 1 with noon lectures by Sandra Belcher (Jan 24), Danielle Bodine (Jan 25) and Gail mally mack (Jan 28 1516 Cranbrook Road, Birmingham (248) 644-0866

COMMUNITY ARTS GALLERY: *Depopulated Landscapes*, recent paintings by Jim Nawara Artist lecture 3 p m Wednesday, Jan 30 in the gallery Exhibit continues through March 1 Open 10 a m to 6 p m Tuesday-Friday, 11 a m to 5 p m Saturday, 5400 Cullen Mall Wayne State University campus (313) 577 2423

ELAINE JACOB GALLERY: *Some Readings* by Buzz Spector opens with a reception 5 8 p m Friday Jan 25 continues to March 15, Spector uses the Polaroid Corporation s 20 by 24-inch camera to shoot still life Wayne State University West Hancock and Second Detroit (313) 993-7813 Artist lecture 3 p m Friday, Jan 25 in the Music Recital Hall adjacent to the gallery

LIVONIA CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY FINE ARTS GALLERY: *Watercolors and More*, a one-man show by West Bloomfield artist Jim Patterson, continues to

Wednesday, Jan 30, Birmingham Society of Women Painters exhibit mixed media Feb 2 27 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road (734) 466-2490

SWORDS INTO PLOWSHARES

PEACE CENTER AND GALLERY: *War and Peace* exhibit by G Jesse Gledhill continues to April 13, artist s reception 5 30-8 30 p m Friday, Feb 1 33 East Adams, Detroit (313) 963-7575

REVOLUTION GALLERY: Amy Vogel s solo exhibition, *a girl, a monkey and a chicken*, and Kirsten Mosher s paintings, both through March 10, with artists' receptions, 5-7 p m, Saturday Feb 2, 23257 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 541 3444

SYBARIS GALLERY: Annual teapot exhibition featuring works from more than 20 artists, opening with an artist reception from 2 5 p m, Saturday, Jan 26 continuing through March 2, 202 East Third, Royal Oak (248) 544-3388

TANGENT GALLERY: Gail mally mack retrospective, *Sticks and Stones* opens with a reception 6-9 p m Friday, Feb 8, continues to March 2 715 East Milwaukee, Detroit (313) 365-8864

WASHINGTON STREET GALLERY: Leslie Sobel's exhibit of digital mixed media, *The Evolution of Moment*, through Feb 23, with artist reception from 7 9 p m, Friday, Feb 1, 215 East Washington, Ann Arbor (734) 761 2287

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

ALFRED BERKOWITZ GALLERY: *Jazz in Detroit Before Motown A Photographic History* continues through Feb 8, in the gallery at the University of Michigan Dearborn, 4901 Evergreen, Dearborn (313) 593 5058

BARBARA ADELSON STUDIOS: Frank Lloyd Wright art glass, windows and textile blocks by appointment West Bloomfield (248) 681 7227

CASS CAFE: Through February - *Scapes An exhibition by Allen Berke* 4620 Cass, Detroit (313) 831-1400

STILL GALLERY: J Otto Siebold / *Still Know What I Did Last Summer, Part 1 and Total Absence/Total Presence The CPOP Gallery Black and White Group Show* continues to Jan 27, 4160 Woodward Ave, Detroit (313) 833-9901

DAVID KLEIN GALLERY: Group show featuring Richard Anuszkiewicz Dana Bell, Norman Bluhm, Stuart Davis, Luke Gray Gus Heinz, Dana Hoey, Lester Johnson, Roy Lichtenstein, Louisa Matthiasdottir, George L K Morris, Paul Resika, Victor Rodrigues, through Thursday, Jan 31 163 Townsend, Birmingham, (248) 433 3700

EXHIBIT A GALLERY: Marco Garcia continues his one-man show *Primordial*, multimedia investigations of creation, evolution and human interaction though Feb 15 288 E Maple Road, Birmingham (248) 258-9284

GALLERY 212: *Colour Me Blue* an all media exhibition featuring local and internationally-known artists, continues to Feb 10 207 West Liberty, Ann Arbor (734) 665-8224

HILL GALLERY: Dirk Bakker new photographs from Mexico, through

Feb 9 407 West Brown, Birmingham (248) 540-9288

INTERMEDIA GALLERY: Mark Maynard and Kyle Miller show work in the exhibit *Head Trap (fear and laziness)* continues to Jan 26 Gallery is at the west end of McKenny Union at Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (734) 628-3933

ROBERT KIDD GALLERY: Group exhibition of paintings and sculpture through Saturday, March 2, 107 Townsend St, Birmingham Includes work by Larry Rivers Sam Gilliam, David Bierck, Harry Bertola, Julie Heffernan, Joseph Piccillo, Kikuo Saito, Zoltan Sepeshy, Moe Brooker, Terry Dill, Daniel Maffia, Gary Kulak, Fritz Mayhew, Robert Schefman, Lisa Clague Open 11 a m to 6 p m Tuesday-Saturday, 1-4 p m the first Sunday of each month (248) 642-3909

MEADOW BROOK ART GALLERY: *Harmony in Variation Form and Meaning in Native American Art*, a collection of Native American art amassed from Cranbrook Institute of Science, the Detroit Institute of Arts, Flint Institute of Arts, Beloit College s Logan Museum of Anthropology and private collections, runs to Feb 17 208 Wilson Hall, Rochester campus of Oakland University (248) 370-3005

MICHIGAN HOT GLASS WORKSHOP: *Furniture*, a selection of furniture by 12 local artists, curated by Maxwell Davis, through Feb 16 1604 Clay Avenue, second floor, Detroit (313) 871-1798

PEWABIC POTTERY: Found Objects and Mixed Media group show, through Feb 23 10125 East Jefferson, Detroit (313) 822-0954

PRINT GALLERY: Through Jan 28 - *Friedensreich Hundertwasser* original posters 29173 Northwestern Highway, Southfield (248) 356-5454

ROOM GALLERY: Andy Turner, bending the rules of sculptural integrity, through Feb 9 212 West 11 Mile, Royal Oak (248) 245-11AM

VOICES GALLERY: University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center s Voices Art Gallery features the work of Michael Samuelson, breast cancer survivor, advocate and author in *Moments Not Years* continues The show features photographs from Samuelson's recent trip to the mountain tops of Nepal 1500 East Medical Center Drive (734) 615 4012 or

www.cancer.med.umich.edu

WOODS GALLERY: Adnan Charara & Louis Redstone exhibit paintings through Feb 14, in the Huntington Woods Library Gallery, 26145 Scotia, south of 11 Mile Road, west of Woodward Ave (248) 543-9720

WORKSHOPS

CHORISTERS GUILD: The Detroit area chapter holds a workshop Feb 1 2, featuring Lee Dwozdz, director of music for Corpus Christi Cathedral in Texas and executive director of Corpus Christi Symphony, at First United Methodist Church, 22331 Woodward, Ferndale \$60, \$50 non-members (248) 646-6293 or (734) 451-1200

YOUNG AUTHORS: The Young Authors Program of The Detroit Writers Guild will conduct work shops through May for children grades 3-12, noon to 3 p m on the third Saturday of each month at The Schoolhouse, 19363 Livernois, Detroit The free workshops consist of poetry, essay and short-story writing (313) 272-7083

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER: Offering dance classes for preschool children at the Oak Park campus, 15110 W Ten Mile Road (248) 967 4030

METRO DANCE: Enrolling now for creative movement for 3 and 4-year-old boys and girls and ballet and tap classes for 5- and 6-year-old boys and girls 541 S Mill, Plymouth (734) 207-8970

VILLAGE MUSIC: Offers early childhood music classes newborn to 8 years old through the Kindermusik program 130 E, Liberty Plymouth (734) 354-9825

RESTAURANTS

Papa loves Mambo's - and so will everyone else

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Ask Rece Rainwater, owner of Mambo's, a new take out restaurant in Livonia, what's in any of his mouth watering Louisiana style barbecue dishes, and he has a one word answer "Secret!"

Well, Rainwater deserves to keep his secrets, especially when he can bring your taste buds to their knees with his deep fried jumbo shrimp, Cajun sausage, BBQ ribs and real, honest-to-goodness homemade gumbo. Then there's the daily specials, which include Wally Gator, Beer-Boiled Crawfish and frog legs.

"If you come to this carryout, you get everything fresh," he said,

ow of a Rite Aid Drugs, makes it easy to miss. However, people are beginning to find it, and Rainwater and manager David Kwiatkowski are working hard to make sure customers keep coming back.

"You've got to be creative when it comes to fare people are not used to. Louisiana barbecue is not standard fare in the Livonia area," said Kwiatkowski, who claims the Wally Gator tastes like duck or chicken, depending if you bite into a dark or white chunk of gator.

"We get a lot of people coming in and asking for it," he said.

But are suburbanites really ready for a take-out of Lobster Voodoo, which takes its name from the spicy Cajun sauce pro-

duced by the Voodoo Lounge in New Orleans? Rainwater seems to think so. His version is tame enough for everyone.

"People get the impression that Cajun food is very hot and they're not going to enjoy it. Uh, uh, it's not."

In fact, nothing I tasted at Mambo's was overly spicy. Sure, it had some "kick" to it, but the true flavor of the food was always

there. Next time, I'm going to tap into my French Canadian heritage and sample the frog legs. Rainwater claims they're "the size of small chicken legs."

You do get your money's worth at Mambo's. Dinners average \$7.45 to \$10.50, and the Mambo's Famous Combo — shrimp ribs, perch and sausage for two — costs \$14.95. All dinners include fries or rice, slaw and cornbread. Also, each child, age 10 and under who comes in with a parent eats free.

Rainwater has no plans to make Mambo's a dining in spot. He likes it just as it is — a place with cheerful Cajun music, a kitchen full of great aromas, friendly service and a menu just big enough to keep customers happy.

"I think people can enjoy themselves in the comfort of their own home rather than go somewhere with illusions of grandeur and be disappointed," he said.



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Good eats: Livonia resident Steve Ferrer picks up a phone-in order from chef Rece Rainwater.



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Good stuff: Mambo's chef, Rece Rainwater, prepares the ribs for an order of Mambo's Combo, a popular dinner-for-two item.

removing a jumbo shrimp from the refrigerator and dangling it in front of me between his thumb and forefinger. "I opened this place because I got sick of junk food, all that pre-packaged, pre-pressed, pre-manufactured stuff."

Rainwater, who has 25 years of experience as a chef, threw a slab of ribs on the grill and splashed it with a ladle of "secret" liquid. He fanned the aroma in my direction. My taste buds got ready to kneel.

"One of the things you don't do is load the ribs with a bunch of sugar and goo," he said. "You can't load them with a bunch of Open Pit and call it barbecue. I'm not giving you the razzmatazz. Our food is very good. I take a lot of pride in what I do."

Okay, so Rainwater talks the good talk, but can he make good on his claim? He can.

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Admittedly, I didn't taste everything, but I did get to sample the shrimp, ribs, chicken, sausage, red beans and three kinds of gumbo. Let's start with the gumbo, which is the same soup but with either lobster, crab or shrimp added. I thought it had a nice smoky taste with just enough spice to claim a Cajun heritage. The ribs were succulent, the shrimp crisp, the chicken tender, and the sausage delicious, especially when it was topped with some hot yellow pepper slices.

"The taste is just sensual," said Rainwater about the sausage-pepper pairing. "It's a Cajun dream-boat."

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Welcome sun

Change the mood of a room with earthy elements



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Simplicity: Colorful floral arrangements with Birds of Paradise, like this one created by Tiffany Florist of Birmingham, enhance the wooded Caribbean-feeling of this eclectic room

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Sunlight is a welcome visitor in Michigan homes especially during winter months when sunshine makes only minimal guest appearances

Inviting sunshine, and introducing other outdoor elements indoors, can change the mood of any room – and maybe even help you forget about the cold

Fusing outdoors with indoors is still popular in homes across the globe Working with natural sunlight is something that Robert Ziegelman, an architect with the Birmingham firm Luckenbach-Ziegelman, works with beautifully Ziegelman understands the need for sunlight and the necessity to harmonize outdoor and indoor design elements

Open spaces such as balconies, windows and bay windows, are design elements homeowners can use to invite sunlight

"For example, what's wonderful about a bay window is that it's three-dimensional and it completely opens the view in a room," said Ziegelman while pointing to a picture of a home he designed in Colorado

Ziegelman, a member of the American Institute of Architects, was the architect for the Pontiac Silverdome, and the Birmingham Fire Station While his firm is best known for its non-residential designs, Ziegelman says home design is really where the fun is found He has designed a number of homes and renovations for affluent Michigan residents

Let the sun shine

Sun shines all day through windows he strategically placed in a Birmingham house By rotating the roof structure 15 degrees in a Colorado home, Ziegelman created interesting spaces and corners that emit light and accentuate a mountainous view that compli-

ments the interior decor

The stunning Caribbean style home he designed on Turks & Caicos island in the Caribbean for a Michigan couple, smoothes the outdoor indoor transition with elegant wooden "shutters" over screens, and slate flooring indoors and out

In another home under way in West Bloomfield, Ziegelman is working with the movement of the sun so its rays will shine even in the lower level

"It won't feel like a basement, or a lower level," he said with a smile

Simple touches

Not everyone has Robert Ziegelman available to design or re-design their home, but we can learn from his breathtaking ideas and concepts Some ideas come from the uncomplicated minds of children

"Ask a child to draw a house," he said enthusiastically while discussing the Birmingham house he "lightened up"

"See what they draw"

They draw simple boxed houses In the Birmingham home, he used that simple concept rather than create another 'Bigfoot' house

"We did what was appropriate with an Early American Salt Box, rectangle," he said " a modern house with a variety of interior spaces with the discipline of a rectangle"

Again, sunlight and the outdoor view were incorporated into the design

On a simpler scale, adding color and a few tropical accessories can help diminish that gray winter feeling, and lift your spirits

Tropical plants, available at many local florists including Tiffany Florist in Birmingham, are colorful accents that warm any room

Paint bathrooms and living rooms, especially big open walls with natural colors such as terra cotta, or faux wood paint to create an outdoorsy atmosphere

Adding other earthy elements to your decor like stone, granite and marble also bring the outdoors in Consider a natural stone bathroom vanity which can be found at companies like Booms Stone Co in Redford

For flooring check out places like T J Ceramic Tile of Southfield that specialize in granite, marble, and ceramic tile Rattan furniture also lends a taste of the tropics to any room

On the upper scale of home design, a grand plan is under way at 250 Martin Street in downtown Birmingham Ziegelman designed the eight-unit condo building across from the city's picturesque Shan Park to include oversized outdoor living spaces

By increasing the width of the balcony and creating railings that do not obstruct the view, Ziegelman kept true to his philosophy that sun and light are as essential to building as bricks and mortar



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Michigan light: Sun is a key element considered by architect Robert Ziegelman when he designs houses in Michigan Ziegelman works with the rectangular shape of this Birmingham house to compliment the surroundings Strategically arranged windows bring in sunlight at key times of the day, without letting too much light in The placement of the windows give the living area the feeling of being open to the outdoors



Working with the environment: A consideration of this home was its acoustics — members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra perform there Also, this home, created by architect Robert Ziegelman, shows how a home can blend into the environment By rotating the roof structure 15 degrees, a simple geometric form becomes a complex series of spaces allowing the view of the Colorado mountains to shine through

Playful flying things brighten decor

"Things with wings" are popular for the garden Indoors, the same is true

Colors and creatures inspired by nature on prominent indoor areas create a smooth flow from the outside to the inside

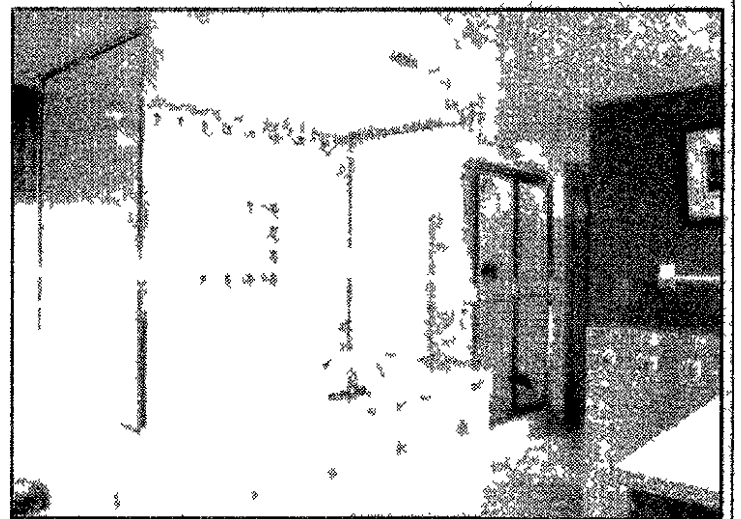
"Char green, sand, white, red, black, and dark brown are colors of nature Mahogany is the wood of choice since it enriches the environment Slate flooring and polished concrete walls help create a natural, minimalist feeling," said Juan Forteza of the International Interior Design Association

For a playful outdoor look in the bathroom, those colors can be combined with "things with wings" For the noncommittal, Stack 'n Stile Design Appliqués by Environmental Graphics are a contemporary way to customize ceramic tiles The peel-n-stick bath appliques are removable to change with the styles

Current choices are Fiji Palms, water and summer themes and geometric shapes Just stick on to a clean tiles, shower doors, mirrors or ceramic tiles

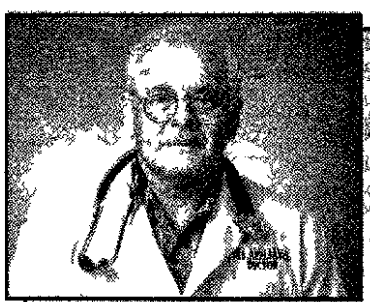
And when the trend becomes passe, just remove them with a heat from a blow dryer

Stack 'n Stile Design Appliques are available at Bed Bath and Beyond Stores



Faux: The Fiji Palms peel-n-stick appliques, from Environmental Graphics, are a close lookalike to true customized ceramic tiles

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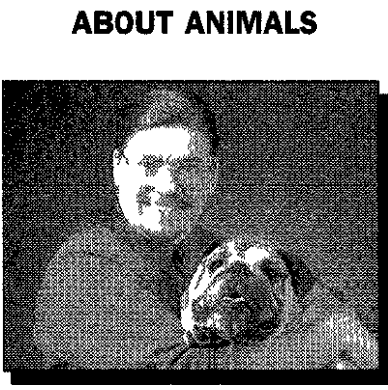
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Britney Spears Christina Aguilera The 98 N'Sync Street Boys on the Dream-Town Block
 These musical acts prove that you don't need any substance to have success Just slap something together that's fun and bouncy and, voila, you own a mansion
 In keeping with this lower standard of entertainment, I present a column with no real substance
 Every year, I keep track of some of the stranger things my clients have said to me I know everyone says things improperly now and again, and I am certainly not mocking these people Some comments come from so way out of left field that they are pretty amusing
 Some misstatements are routine It seems everyone mispronounces Rottweiler as "Rock-welder" I don't even want to discuss how people say Shih Tzu or Bichon I get consistently asked for a "distemperment shot" for a mean cat or dog (The vaccine protects



DR. BRAD DAVIS

against the virus called distemper it has nothing to do with the critter's crankiness!
 There's a certain level of comment that stands out from the commonplace, a full step greater or siller, depending upon your perspective So, please don't view this as an indictment of the

intelligence of the people who said these things It's just a moment in time
 And it's strictly entertainment
 ■ A job applicant telling us about her experience I did a lot of euthanasia's at the Humane Society they called me the Great Raper!"(We hope she meant "Grim Reaper")
 ■ "Can you give me a Pacific diagnosis?"
 ■ "She can't control her peeing I think she has continuity"
 ■ A suggestion of how a fish survived when he wasn't fed "Maybe he eats allergy off the bottom of the tank"
 ■ Dog breeds always seem to inspire unique pronunciations "He's part Doberman Pigeon"
 ■ About a bouvier/Labrador retriever mix "He's half boobier ("boo-bee ay") and half lavatory"
 ■ "He was eating vorociously" (I think that's voraciously plus ferociously)
 ■ "He's blind in one eye and deaf in the other"
 ■ "He got into a drawer and he suffercated!"
 ■ Describing her dog's diet "Usually I feed him nothin' but vyeena sausages" (After she repeated this several times, I realized she was speaking of Vienna sausages)
 ■ "Can you tell me anything about Hand and Month Disease?"
 ■ "Could you check his prostad?"
 ■ "He was throwing up so much, I thought he was the Exodus!" (Unless the dog was parting the water in the swimming pool, I think he meant "exorcist")
 ■ Sometimes comments are written, not spoken this is from a thank you card
 ■ "You are the lust and your staff is supper"
 ■ "He was vomiting vile"

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Vines also provide privacy by decorating a lattice screen, or cover unsightly walls. When grown over a trellis, they add a bit

of mystery as one enters a garden. Vines also provide shade and when grown over a roof like structure create an outdoor bower. They are also most adaptable as ground cover.

Vines climb in several ways. Some twine their stems to a nearby support, others grab hold with tendrils, some cling by small disks or rootlets, others hook thorns into another nearby plant, and some just lean on their supports. Others don't climb at all but trail from hanging baskets, or trail across the ground.

Before you decide which vine to grow, find out how it works. Many are quite heavy, others are massive and need solid support. A good book can guide in this respect, and

this time of year is perfect for research.

Jan Zikakis of Troy grows a number of vines and other interesting flowers and shares these observations. Her moonflowers were grown from seeds. This year the plants were eaten to the ground four times by rabbits but that didn't seem to deter them. When the rabbits ended their feast the plants grew rapidly. They like their partially shady spot and climb over an archway. Jan says, "It grows fast, and when I walk through, it's like walking through a door." The plants die down in the winter. The leaves are quite large and heart shaped and the white trumpet shaped flowers glow in the evening.

Two trumpet vines climb up tall cottonwood trees that grow near the center of the yard. The orange-red flowers bloom from mid-summer through fall and are a favorite of ruby-throated hummingbirds. This vine flowers on current season's growth and should be pruned in the spring.

The annual hyacinth bean vine also called lablab, has purple to deep lavender pea-like flowers followed by 4 inch purple pods. The interesting leaves are deep purple green oval to triangular, in groups of three. Jan's plant is on a support that completely covers a flower-filled basket. Quite a show. Plants can be started indoors or sown directly in the ground.

A beautiful climbing hydrangea grows near the deck on the east side of the house. It sports large flat clusters of small white flowers and likes an acid soil. She feeds it tea to satisfy this need. The foliage on this plant, which is finely toothed, shiny and oval in shape

is outstanding. In the fall it turns pale gold. After the leaves have dropped, the stems turn a reddish color. Three clematis clamber on an arch leading to the back garden. One is white, one purple and one lavender, which assures bloom throughout the season. No special care is given to them.

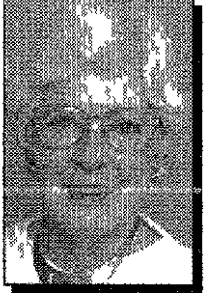
Two interesting plants also are worth mentioning. Angel trumpet has a double white bloom. She says, "This year it began blooming in July and has bloomed continuously since. Another plant, called the 'Purple Horn of Plenty' some times called angels trumpet, according to Jan, grew 2 to 3 feet tall with a 3 foot spread. Sweet potato vines grow in containers that sit on the deck. They cascade rather than climb and add a nice light yellow-green color and texture to the show.

A favorite vine is the passion flower. Two of them grow up trellises at the south side of the house and are quite beautiful with their

unusual flowers. The Harrowsmith Gardeners guide Vines (Camden House) describes these intricate flowers. "Like lotus flowers hung in mid-air, the blooms reach 4 inches in diameter, each boasting a colorful reproductive stalk arising from a crown of filaments against a backdrop of five broad petals and five broad sepals." Available in several colors. Jan's are a light pink/purple. The name comes from the unusual flower structure thought by early discoverers to be emblematic of the crucifixion of Christ. Sometimes the vine produces a smooth lightweight oval fruit, that resembles a lime. The vines are cut to the ground in the fall after bloom and start coming up around the first of May. They really love hot weather.

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

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

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■ "Is the stuff coming out of his butt the fastoola?" (Note: I never figured out what 'fastoola' is, but it sounds like Italian food, doesn't it?)

■ "My dog's problems run the gamut."

■ Another doctor refused to write a prescription, concerned it might affect her Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) license. "She didn't want to prescribe it because she was worried she'd lose her DNA license."

■ "I'm really worried about hip dislocation."

■ "If he's kept in a cage, won't he feel annihilated from the rest of us?"

■ A jittery dog prompted an owner to warn me: "He's feeling a

little nazi about all this."

■ After watching her son weigh himself on our lobby scale, a mom asked "Does that measure human or animal weight?"

■ "I feed him Kibbles and Bips."

■ "Will I need to buy a yearn for the ashes?"

■ "I've been training canine dogs for over 10 years" (Canine dogs are the best kind of dogs!)

■ "Should I rub some Nero Sporum on the rash?"

■ An owner was very concerned about his dog's chipped canine tooth. "Can a dog do okay with a broken Kaline?"

■ "Isn't rat poison a coange lent?"

- A client, responding after hearing a cat had both eyes removed

because of glaucoma. "She doesn't have any eyes? Is she blind?"

■ And one of my all time favorites, a client caught up in the Anthrax scare.

I'm worried someone's going to get a dust cropper and start spreading Amtrak.

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JOE GAGNON

I have just finished reading an article from the Associated Press, titled *Millions Drink Tainted Water* and I'm thinking that this is proba-

bly about the 100th time I've read such material in the past 10 years. I think about the many things we have to worry about in the world today and the subject of water keeps coming up. All of the studies done by different groups, universities, scientists, laboratories etc., and I think I'm just a

simple guy and all these people involved certainly know a lot more than I do, especially on the subject of water. They can't all be wrong or making up stories that scare the pants off of me. There has to be some truth in these articles, and maybe there is more than meets the eye. In our home we have a water purification

system installed even though we are on city water. We have filtered water leading to the refrigerator ice maker and water dispenser system on the door. The reason I have this in our home is because I don't trust the water supply in this country. That is not only due to what I have read, but is also attributable to

my eyes, nose and taste buds. The other day we had a problem with the pressure tank that holds some 20 gallons of already pure water ready to use. The owner of the water company came over and changed the tank and we sat down at the kitchen table to shoot the breeze. He told me that he would take a drink of cold water from a refrigerator dispenser only if it had my system hooked up to it.

you buy one from the local hardware store and install it on the water line behind the refrigerator. Not changing the filter is like not changing the batteries in a smoke detector. And if they don't change batteries in a smoke detector, they certainly will not change the water filter.

I asked him about the many millions of homeowners who drink from a non filtered system.

How good is the water coming out of those refrigerators? Well, here's a guy who has been in the water business for more than 20 years, has a biologist on the payroll and won't drink water from the refrigerator used by millions. Why not was the question.

Folks, I give you his reply almost word for word. "I have taken apart several of the plastic storage tanks located inside the refrigerator, especially those without any kind of line filter, and just looking at these tanks was enough to convince me of the bacteria that is going into a glass of water."

He didn't have to say much more to prompt the writing of this column. I stop and think about the invention of water dispensers on refrigerators and what a beautiful gadget created to help sell a product.

When first brought out to the American public there was no such conversation about in line filters. Then, it was recommended

Then in recent years some manufacturers get smart and installed the water filter right inside the refrigerator section with a warning light that tells you it is full of bacteria and needs to be changed.

The word bacteria keeps coming up in all conversations about refrigerator water dispensing systems. It should be as clear as the nose on your face. It is to me. Let me suggest that if you have this product in your home, install a filter system of some sort. If you need my help then there is a phone number at the end of this column, call me. If you already have a filter system installed then move the water through the product at regular intervals.

You wouldn't drink a glass of water that sat on the kitchen table for three days, would you? Try a little home test with the ice cubes. Fill a bowl full and let them sit on the kitchen counter for two days. Tell me what the water looks like. Stay tuned.

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speaker on The Lutheran Hour radio show and host of *On Main Street* television program, will speak at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, just north of I-96, for a 25th anniversary celebration service on Sunday, Feb 10. The service held at 9:30 a.m., will replace the normal 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday worship schedule. (734) 522-6830

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WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS

DIXON-WISE

John and Linda Klotz of Livonia and John and Annette Wise of Livonia announce the marriage of their daughter, Lindsay Wise, to Donald Dixon. Donald is the son of Gary and Kathleen Dixon of Garden City.

The bride, Lindsay, is a 1996 graduate of Stevenson High School and is employed with Magna Dry.

Her fiancé, Donald, is a 1990 graduate of Franklin High School and employed with A & M Installation.

The couple wed July 27, 2001 in Laurel Chapel.

The bride was attended by Matron of Honor, Deanna Doyle and bridesmaids, Shannon Daske, Laura Klotz and Corinne Sereno. Attendants for the groom were best man, James Daske and groomsmen, James Dixon, Michael Dixon and Paul Trevino. Flower girls were, Whitney Daske and Ravyn Dixon. Ring bearer was Nicholas Dixon. A reception was held at Roma Banquet Hall. The newlyweds honeymooned in Niagara Falls.



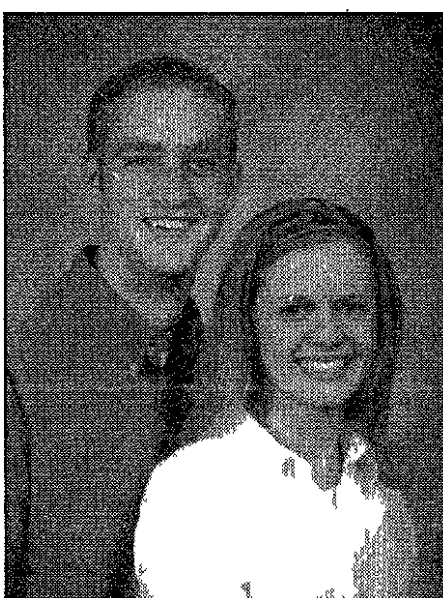
DUNHAM-VENNING

Jim Dunham of New Boston and Roberta Lewis of Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Tracey Dunham, to David Venning, son of John and Linda Venning of Livonia.

Tracey is a 1996 graduate of Churchill High School. She earned her bachelor of science degree in nutrition and food science from Wayne State University. She is currently in her second year at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn.

Her fiancé, David, is a 1996 graduate of Catholic Central High School. He will graduate in May from Wayne State University with a bachelor degree in chemistry and plans to attend dental school in the fall.

A June 14, 2002, wedding is planned in Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Northville.



BARTALUCCI-STEFFEN

Ronald and Sharon Bartalucci of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Anne Eileen Bartalucci, to Dewey Deane Steffen, son of Dr. Carolyn McKinnis Steffen of Birmingham.

Anne is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, 1996 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in psychology, and 2000 graduate of Wayne State University with a master's degree in school and community psychology. She is currently employed as a School Psychologist in the Wayne Westland School District.

Dewey is a 1989 graduate of Birmingham Seaholm High School. He attended Schoolcraft Community College until 1993 when he transferred to the University of Michigan where he graduated in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in Economics. He is employed as First Vice-President at Smith Barney in Detroit.

A June 29, 2002 wedding is planned in West Bloomfield.



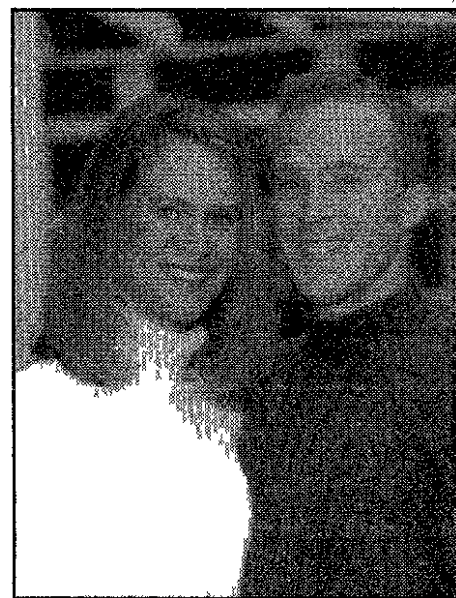
KIRBY-KOGUT

Verne and Marie Kirby of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen, to Daniel Kogut, son of Paul and Barbara Kogut of Canton.

The bride is a graduate of Western Michigan University and is employed as an assistant category manager at Valassis.

Her fiancé, Daniel, is a graduate of Albion College and employed as an analyst of DBA Finance at GMAC.

A June 2002 wedding is planned to take place in St. Thomas a Becket Catholic Church of Canton.



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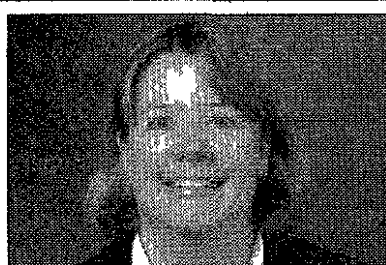
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SQUEEZE THE DAY



LYNN WALDSMITH-PAWLIK

Let's pretend we're kids

The two 5-year-old best friends are in the playroom, entering their magical world of make-believe with alluring stage names and dress up clothes from Target. I'm in the next room at the computer, trying to get a little work done. One word I hear about every 10 seconds or so, is 'pretend.'

'Pretend my name is Rebecca.'
'Okay.'
'And pretend my name is Clara.'
'Okay.'
'Wait, pretend my name is Rebecca Alexica.'
'Okay.'

'And pretend — I'm Snow White,' says Erin, the 2-year-old. But the more seasoned actresses don't seem to hear her. They're too busy playing house and using lovey-dovey terms of endearment.

'Bye honey. Are you sure you'll be home in time for the special dinner?'

'Oh yes dear.'
'Oh honey, this is the most wonderful day I ever had! Let's get married hun-bun.'

'I'm Snow White, the little sister pipes up.'

Now sometimes I play make-believe with my kids, but at my age I'm too grounded in reality to be as good at it as they are. I need to stop hanging on to the notion that things should make sense.

'Mom, pretend my name is Sara, and your name is Maureen, my daughter will say to me five minutes after getting out of bed. And let's pretend you're my mom.'

'I am your mom.'
'Oh yeah. Well, pretend we're in the jungle and we don't have any toothpaste so we have to use animal blood as our toothpaste.'

'Animal blood? That's disgusting. I'm not going to brush my teeth with animal blood.'

She reconsiders. 'Okay, pretend no one knows it, but butterfly wings can make toothpaste, and so we make toothpaste from the butterflies we catch in the jungle.'

Of course, I can be a pretty good monster with outstretched arms and a scary Frankenstein walk. And I can do a wicked laugh when called upon to be the mean queen. But I can't suspend my disbelief the way children can.

As Snow White takes her nap — a real nap, not a pretend one — Eileen and Rachel — their real names, not pretend ones — rehearse their show in the living room. I can hear lots of giggling, singing, and some occasional screaming.

'Keep it down please. Erin is sleeping.' After awhile they insist I watch the show, but the room is dark and I have a hard time seeing them. They've closed all the window shades to create an authentic theatre-like effect.

Rachel introduces the show. Ladies and gentlemen. This show is going to be perfect for everyone. You're going to love it. The baby is going to be born, then we're going to run away from the mean queen, and we're going to dance, and the princess and prince are going to kiss at the end, and then —

'Rachel,' I say, 'Sorry to interrupt. But I don't think you're supposed to tell the audience everything that's going to happen. Why don't you just say the name of the show?'

'Oh. It's called Sleeping Beauty II.' Twenty minutes later, following numerous costume changes and role changes, I sense the plot has become lost.

'Ah, girls? How long's this show anyway?' I ask because Sleeping Beauty is still a baby at this point. Anyway, turns out the show never did end, exactly. Snow White woke up from her nap so I had to go. But the young thespians didn't seem to mind. 'Come on Rachel. Let's play Barbies.'
'Okay.'
'Pretend my Barbie's name is —'

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FRIDAY'S Child

There's always Time to Volunteer

Teen's generosity blossoms



BY KIMBERLY A. MORTSON
STAFF WRITER
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Undeniably, flowers help to convey our emotions without the use of words. Jenny VanReuter of Livonia has found a way to turn gifts of condolence into unexpected bouquets of happiness.

The 16-year-old recently was nominated as an Observer Friday's Child by Phyllis Nelson of Livonia. Nelson first met Jenny last summer and wrote to the Observer after the encounter.

'We have a lovely young lady that delivers our Livonia Observer. Last summer she rang my doorbell, on crutches. She was inquiring if we had any old small vases that would hold flowers. I asked her how she would carry them and she said she had a backpack. She said that she puts flowers in the vases and takes them to nursing homes.'

The Churchill High School student got the idea from a relative to solicit funeral homes for flower arrangements left by families after the service. Jenny collects the flowers, makes smaller arrangements with vases she buys at garage sales, then delivers the flowers to local hospitals and nursing homes. Neely Turowski

Funeral Home of Livonia has taken Jenny up on her request and provided flowers to her in recent months.

'I used to make cookies and pass them out to nursing homes,' said Jenny. Then someone told me about the idea of collecting flowers from funeral homes. It really brightens people's day. One lady even broke down she thought it was so touching.'

Taking the time

While the idea sounds simple, Jenny said there's a lot of phone calling and leg work involved. 'I have to call tons of funeral homes and have my name put on their lists. They call me if they have flowers available, so I don't always know ahead of time when I'm going to be able to make up vases.'

The daughter of Shirley and Linderburgh VanReuter of Livonia and sister to 12-year-old Samuel, Jenny is a member of Christadelphian Church in Livonia. She attaches a faith-based pamphlet to each vase.

'... someone told me about the idea of collecting flowers from funeral homes. It really brightens people's day.'

Jenny VanReuter
Volunteer

'My church is really important to me. This way I can give people information about the Bible and help make them feel better,' she said.

Because garage sales are seasonal, Jenny and her mom stock up on vases during the spring and summer months. She hoped to spend time some of her Christmas break making deliveries if a funeral home calls her.

Jenny said going into hospitals has really helped to put her life into perspective. 'There are a lot of really sick people out there. This is my way of helping to make them happy. To see the look on people's faces when I give them the flowers — it's worth all the effort.'

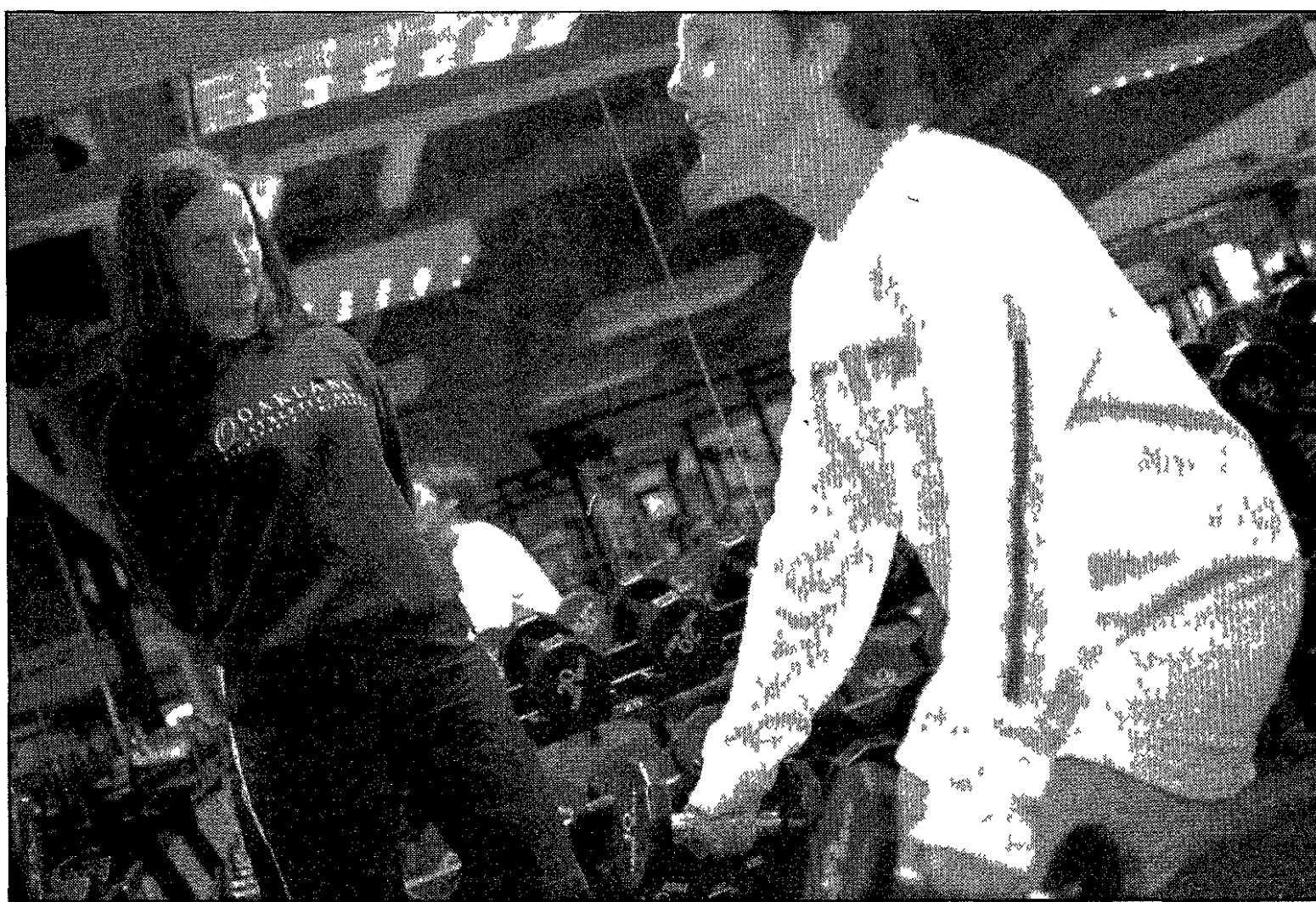
Described as a "go-getter" by her mom, Shirley, Jenny has been involved with the Bible and Help

Clubs at school as well as the youth choir at church.

'She gives 110 percent to everything she does,' said Shirley VanReuter. 'She gets up and she's going non-stop until she goes to bed. She likes going the extra mile for people and that shows in how much she cares.'

Jenny met Phyllis Nelson for a second time last summer when the teen and her mom were out bargain shopping. 'She also came to our garage sale looking for the same thing. She definitely is a good example of a Friday's Child,' said Nelson.

If you have vases Jenny VanReuter can use for her project, please contact her at Exploring the Bible, P.O. Box 510953, Livonia, MI 48151-9828, Attention Jenny VanReuter.



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Last set: Personal trainer Lauri Sam keeps a watchful eye on her client, Pat Nickol of Birmingham, as she nears the end of her workout.

Quest for fitness

Today's way is with a personal trainer

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There's not much to say about late January. At best, it's a period of transition, murky in focus and direction, holiday memories linger, winter vacations are a few weeks away.

People don't do much in January. Except, they do exercise.

Gyms and health clubs are never busier than in January thanks to new year's resolutions to shape up and lose weight.

Yet even health club regulars see their resolutions falter and new routines fall away come January's end.

It's tough to stick to an exercise pro-

gram, which helps explain increased use of personal trainers.

But it's not the only reason working out with a trainer — a service once ascribed to the jet set — has become a mainstream lifestyle trend.

In today's health-savvy culture, people want knowledge about fitness, says Travis Summerville, a physical therapist for William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak who's also a personal trainer. 'They want an educated experience or opinion.'

At the same time, ideas about getting fit have changed.

On the one hand, exercisers are looking for convenient ways to incorporate

fitness into their busy lives.

On the other, the fitness industry recognizes the need and call for an individual approach.

'I think people want a little more personal attention,' says Summerville, 'And there are many exercisers who want to train at home, rather than at a club or gym.'

Also, many exercisers consult trainers after working with a physical therapist, says Summerville. And, in recent years, physicians have been making greater use of physical therapy treatments.

Working with a trainer costs between \$20 and \$100 per hour.

Everybody needs a little help

Growing use of personal trainers can also be understood from a different perspective, says Jennifer Jansen, a trainer at Oakland Athletic Club in Birmingham. Society has become comfortable, if not accustomed to, seeking out professional support and external motivation, particularly when self-improvement is at stake.

'Everybody has those days when they don't want to come in,' says Jansen, whose clients run the gamut, from working professionals to stay-at-home moms to senior citizens.

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"It is an indulgence, but at the same time, you're doing something very beneficial for yourself," she says

Jansen says her clients split into two categories Regular exercisers who reach a plateau and non-exercisers who need a trainer to teach the basics

All and all, both types of clients are seeking a combination of inspiration and education, she says

A real workout

I wanted to learn how to use weights and needed help," says Pat Nickol, a Birmingham resident who works out with a personal trainer at Oakland Athletic Club "I did aerobics, spin, all that But I never used weights and I wouldn't have known what to do with them anyway"

More than two years later, Nickol, who's in her 50s, still meets with her personal trainer twice a week



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Good form: Jennifer Jansen, a personal trainer at Oakland Athletic Club, helps her client stay properly aligned during an upper body workout at the Birmingham health club.

Nickol says her personal trainer keeps her focused on that approach and, most important, proper technique

Another benefit Exercise remains interesting because Nickol's trainer provides her

with varied routines

There's also something intangible about the relationship's effect on Nickol "If she (Nickol's trainer) left, I would follow her I don't want the club to think I would leave That's just how attached I am to her"

How to find and select a personal trainer

Give strong consideration to a personal trainer's credentials, education and experience

The National Strength and Conditioning Association is a reputable national organization that certifies personal trainers The association also offers a personal trainer locator on its web site at www.nscs-lift.org/ Each trainer listing includes educational background and certification

Although certified trainers are a good bet, there are excellent trainers without certification

Many personal trainers have a degree in a health, fitness or exercise science program, such as sports medicine, physical education or anatomy and physiology

Physicians and medical professionals are a good source for recommendations Also, ask friends, family or other health club members for a recommendation

Interview personal training candidates before hiring



Good fit: Look for a personal trainer who specializes in providing the particular services you need, says Jennifer Jansen, a trainer at the Oakland Athletic Club. Jansen's specialty is providing motivation.

Be sure to ask about: client references, hourly rates, schedule availability, areas of expertise and years of experience, in addition to educational background and certification

To evaluate training sessions, consider whether the trainer is motivating you,

clearly explaining exercises and methods to you, and responding to your particular needs and goals

For a comprehensive list of guidelines, visit the National Strength and Conditioning Association's web site and go to the "How To Select a Personal Trainer" link

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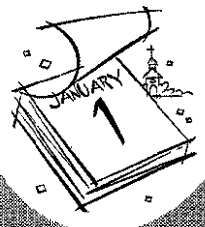
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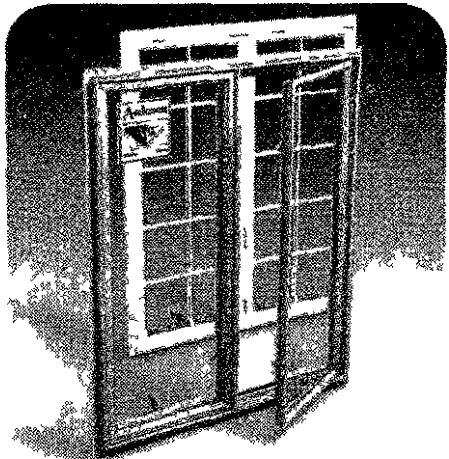


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Team skating

The Plymouth Figure Skating Club will host the Midwestern Synchronized Team Skating Championship Feb. 1-2 at Plymouth's Compuware Arena. More than 2,300 skaters representing 121 teams from across the Midwest are expected to participate.

This year's competition will feature some of the nation's best synchronized teams, including PFSC's Gems on Ice, which will attempt to qualify for the fourth straight year. Gems will put six teams competing this year against squads like Team Elan from Detroit Skating Club, Crystallettes from Dearborn Figure Skating Club, Fraser Eclipse from Fraser Skating Club, and the Hockettes from Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club.

The top 36 teams from various divisions will advance to the U.S. Figure Skating Association's Synchronized Team Skating National Championships, starting Feb. 26 in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Synchronized skating features 12- to 24 skaters performing intricate circles, wheels, intersections, lines and blocks in unison. Skaters range in age from six years to adult. For more information, call (734) 420-0462.

Tournament finalists

The Magic reached the final in its division of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association Tournament, thanks to 13-straight victories. The Magic were 11-0 in the regular season and finished 13-1 overall.

Team members are Joe Halewicz, Tommy Anderson, Cameron Somarburg, Tyler Pelto, Max Vaughn, Kulrat Sandhn, Dale Herriman, Josh Hammond, James Kaptur and Jon Kaptur. The team is coached by Doug Herriman and Dave Herriman. Julie Laselo is the team's statistician.

Top runners

Ian Searcy, a Plymouth Salem graduate, outraced the field to finish first in the 1-mile run at the Sagnaw Valley State Collegiate Open last Saturday. Searcy running unattached, was first in 4:20.82. J.P. Behnke of Lake Superior State was second in 4:22.08.

Conditioning class

A physical conditioning class is scheduled for 6 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Plymouth Cultural Center. The class will deal with aerobic body conditioning and kickboxing, and will run for 10 weeks.

For more information, call (734) 455-6620.

Salem baseball clinic

The annual Plymouth Salem Baseball Clinic will feature two sessions on consecutive Saturdays, March 23 and March 30. The 11-15 year-olds' session will be from 9 a.m. to noon on those dates, the 7-10 year-olds' session will be from 1-4 p.m.

Cost is \$20, which will include instruction in hitting, fielding, pitching and fundamentals from the Salem baseball coaching staff and varsity players. Lunch will also be included (hot dog, chips, drink and snack).

Checks must be made payable to the Salem Dugout Club and received by March 20. A waiver of liability form is also required. Send checks and participant's name to Bob Wilson, 15223 Thornridge, Plymouth, MI, 48170. For more information, call Wilson at (734) 420-3569.

CCJBSA registration

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will continue its registration for the upcoming seasons at 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Canton Softball Center and 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26 at the Summit in Canton.

Boys and girls ages 4-18 years who are residents of Plymouth or Canton, or attend a Plymouth-Canton Community School, are eligible to register.

All players will be required to show a birth certificate or passport to verify age and residency. Registration is on a first-come basis. Space may be limited due to the possibility of limited field availability.

Fees vary from \$70 to \$105.

For further information, call Chris Angel (T-ball and coach-pitch) at (734) 981-3007, Mark Caples (baseball, 9-12 years) at (734) 416-7233, Jay Obsmuk (baseball, 13-18 years) at (734) 981-3272, or Rich Rehn (softball, 7-18 years) at (734) 398-5933. You can visit the CCJBSA website at www.ccjbsa.com.

Whalers roll past Ice Dogs, 5-3

Hard not to overlook these guys. After all, the Mississauga Ice Dogs have been at the bottom of the Ontario Hockey League standings since its inception a half-dozen years ago. And the Plymouth Whalers have been at, or very close, to the top.

So when the Whalers scored quickly in the two teams' meeting Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena, then added a pair of goals to their total to give them a 4-1 lead after two periods, well, who could blame them for thinking "game over?"

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Turned out a bit premature. The Ice Dogs answered the Whaler surge with two goals of their own in the third, making it a 4-3 game before Plymouth got an empty-netter to close out its 5-3 victory.

The win boosted the Whalers' OHL-leading record to 29-7-8-2. Mississauga is 10-31-3-1.

Stephen Weiss opened the game's scoring just 1:10 into the game, finish-

ing off a pass from Greg Campbell. Chad LaRose also assisted.

The Ice Dogs tied it a minute later, John Kozoriz finishing a pass from Mike Wehrsted, to make it 1-1. The Whalers went ahead for good before the period was over, Damian Surma placing a shot past a sliding Matt Tanel, the Ice Dogs goalie, with 4:22 left in the first. Karl Stewart and Jonas Fiedler assisted.

Two second-period goals, the first at 8:26 by Nathan Tennant (from Fiedler) and the second at 15:38 by Weiss (from

LaRose), allowed the Whalers to increase their lead to 4-1. But the Ice Dogs responded with a pair of third-period goals, by Greg Jacina and Kozoriz, in a one-minute span to make it 4-3 with 1:38 left.

Brad Yeo capped the victory for the Whalers with an empty-net goal in the closing seconds.

Paul Drew was in goal for Plymouth, which hosts the Peterborough Petes at 7:30 p.m. Friday and the Belleville Bulls at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, both at Compuware Arena.

Salem clips Chiefs in OT

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Perhaps there were those who thought Plymouth Canton, playing without their leading scorer — Andrew Meagrow was sidelined with an ankle injury — would simply throw in the towel at Plymouth Salem Tuesday and be satisfied enough with "a good effort."

They were wrong.

BASKETBALL

Canton took the Rocks to the limit, and beyond, stretching the game into overtime before succumbing 63-58 in a Western Lakes Activities Association basketball game.

The loss left Canton at 5-5 overall, 2-2 in the WLAA. Salem is 6-4 overall, 4-0 in the conference.

"When you have your best player on the bench and still have a chance to win the game, that's saying something," said Canton coach Jeremy Rheault. "This was an evenly-played game."

Can't argue that. Throughout the first half and into the second, the Chiefs led in the game, thanks in great part to the three-point shooting of Billy Gazsi, Kyle Lasko and Jason Priebe. They accounted for four of Canton's five first-half three-pointers and 24 points in all in helping the Chiefs build a 27-22 halftime advantage.

Still, it's hard not to play the "What if?" game, particularly when you have a 6-foot-6 wing man like Meagrow, whose shooting range is anywhere inside the halfcourt line, sitting on the bench.

"Would it have been different if Meagrow was in the game?" Rheault asked rhetorically, answering, "Absolutely it would have been different."

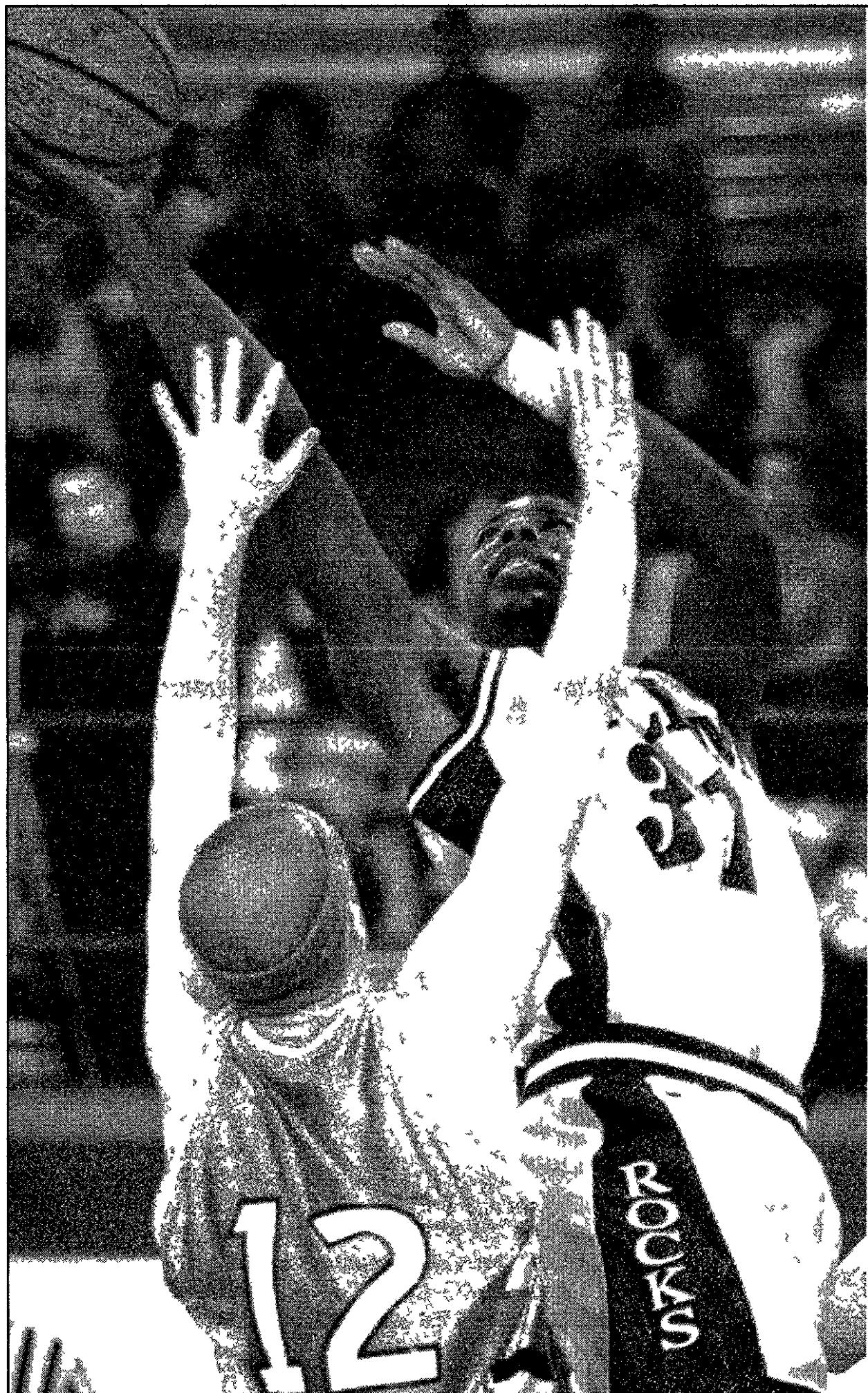
Salem's Bob Brodie didn't disagree. "It wasn't so much (Meagrow) being out," he said. "It was their toughness on defense. They played an aggressive man-to-man defense and we didn't do a very good job handling it."

With the third quarter approaching its midpoint, the situation wasn't looking much better for the Rocks —



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Guarded closely: Salem's Dave Hoskins (photo at right) tries to put up a shot over Canton's Brendan Murphy (12), which wasn't easy to do in Tuesday's game. While Hoskins was limited to 13 points, teammate Pat Abraham (with ball, above) poured in 24 for the Rocks.

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Canton seeks to defend area crown

BY DAN O'MEARA
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Redford Catholic Central's wrestling team is building momentum and could be reaching its potential just in time for the 11th Annual Observerland Tournament.

The Shamrocks, who have made gains following a slow start in December, are considered a top contender to win the 2002 championship — a role not unfamiliar to them.

CC has won the tournament more times (four) than any other school. Livonia Stevenson has three titles, defending champion Plymouth Canton, Plymouth Salem and Farmington have one each.

"They're just starting to come around," said CC coach Mike Rodriguez of his wrestlers. "We took a licking in the beginning."

"We lost our first four matches up at Bay City in the Michigan Tournament, and then we got wiped out by Hartland."

But the Shamrocks have come back to post a 13-6 record in dual meets, which includes wins over Canton,

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What: 11th Annual Observerland Wrestling Tournament

When: Saturday Jan. 26. Competition starts at 9 a.m. The finals will begin at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Where: Livonia Churchill High School (Newburgh Road between Ann Arbor Trail and Joy roads). Additional parking is available behind the school.

Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for children (18 and under). Prices are good for the entire day.

PAST TROPHY WINNERS

2001: 1. Plymouth Canton, 2. Redford Catholic Central, 3. Livonia Churchill

2000: 1. Redford Catholic Central, 2. Livonia Stevenson, 3. Plymouth Canton

1999: 1. Redford Catholic Central, 2. Livonia Stevenson, 3. Garden City

1998: 1. Plymouth Salem, 2. Redford Catholic Central, 3. Livonia Stevenson

1997: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 2. Plymouth Salem, 3. Wayne Memorial

1996: 1. Redford Catholic Central, 2. Livonia Stevenson, 3. Plymouth Salem

1995: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 2. Redford Catholic Central, 3. Plymouth Salem

1994: 1. Livonia Stevenson, 2. Redford Catholic Central, 3. Plymouth Salem

1993: 1. Redford Catholic Central, 2. Westland John Glenn, 3. Livonia Stevenson

1992: 1. Farmington, 2. Plymouth Canton, 3. Westland John Glenn

the near future.

"This is a team that went to the state last year," Rodriguez said. "That's where their mind is set again this year."

One reason CC had a slow start was the absence of senior Ryan Rogowski, who had surgery to repair a hernia

immediately after the Shamrocks won the Division I football title in November.

Rogowski is 12-1 since his return and will be favored to win the 189-pound title Saturday as the area's No. 1-ranked wrestler at that weight.

He is one of two CC wrestlers and five overall who are defending champions, although most won't be back at the same weights.

Canton's 215-pound Phil Rothwell is the only one who will be. Rogowski won at 171, Garden City's Jacob Davis (103) has moved to 112 bracket, Livonia Churchill's Brian Clement (119) is now at 125 and CC's Blac Naysmith (189) has made the jump to 215.

"We're pretty solid from 140 on up," Rodriguez said, adding Naysmith pinned a defending state champ from Bedford on Saturday. "(The Bedford boy) tried to get away from Rogowski and jumped into the fire."

CC's Nate Rodriguez (140), Trevor Stewart (145) and Chris Cracchiolo (171), who was third at 152 last year,

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COLLEGE SPORTS

Crusaders claim 2nd-straight victory

Playing without two of their top scoring threats didn't seem to bother Madonna University's men's basketball team against Tri State last Saturday. At least not in the second half. Trailing 34-31 at halftime, the host Crusaders rallied to take the lead for good on a Noel Emenhiser field goal with 17:56 to play in the game eventually stretching it to the final margin

of 79-66. The win left Madonna at 6-15 overall, 3-3 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. The Thunder slipped to 9-15 overall, 2-4 in the WHAC. The Crusaders were playing without all-time leading scorer Mike Massey, a senior guard, and Steve Horn, a promising freshman wingman and the team's second leading scorer this season at 12.9 points a game. Through mutual agreement, Massey — unhappy with his

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dwindling playing time — left the team. Horn has done the same. Still, the Crusaders managed to persist thanks in great part to Emenhiser, who finished with 24 points, including 4-of-6 on three pointers. A three pointer by Nate Hoekje — who was 6 for 8 on triples and scored 31 points — pulled

the Thunder to within 63-62 with 3:22 left in the game, but Madonna had the answer. Emenhiser drilled a triple and was fouled, making the free throw to push the Crusaders' lead to 67-62. Two baskets by Aaron Cox and two free throws by Joe Greene increased their cushion to 73-62 with 1:39 to go, to much for Tri-State to overcome. Joining Emenhiser in double figures in scoring were Cox with 17 points (and five steals), Greene with 11 (and six assists) and Tony Jancevski (from Plymouth Salem HS) with 10. As a team, Madonna made 30-of-56 shots from the field (53.6 percent), including 6-of-15 threes

(40 percent). The Crusaders were also 13-of-15 on free throws (86.7 percent).

Two others, other than Hoekje, hit double figures in scoring for the Thunder. Brandon O'Leary and Paul Finnegan netted 12 points each.

SC 87, Wayne County CC 64: Javon Clark nailed six three-pointers Saturday as Schoolcraft College won its 18th straight game with its victory over host Wayne County Community College.

Schoolcraft, ranked No. 4 in the latest NJCAA Division I poll, sits all alone in first place in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic

Association at 5-0. Wayne County drops to 8-6 overall and 4-1 in the conference.

Clark finished with 18 points, while Mike Williams added 15 points, a team high 11 rebounds and four steals.

Center Yaku Moton Spruill (Westland John Glenn) contributed 14 points and seven rebounds. Ronald Dorsey came off the bench to score nine points, while point-guard Yulon Harris dished out eight assists.

Schoolcraft was 19 of 32 from the free throw line (59.3 percent) and 30 of 58 from the floor (51.7 percent).

Wayne County, which trailed 43-26 at the half, got 16 points from Darius Taylor.

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Madonna women move into first in WHAC

To run its record to 15-6, Madonna University's women's basketball team went back to the basics — good shooting, great rebounding, solid defense.

Those three elements were enough to propel the Lady Crusaders to a 76-60 victory Tuesday at the Indiana Institute of Technology.

Madonna improved to 15-6 overall, 6-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference — first in the conference after Spring Arbor opened Cornerstone Tuesday. The Warriors are 11-10 overall, 4-3 in the WHAC.

The Crusaders started fast and never let up against Tech, taking a 40-28 lead at halftime. The Warriors made 10-of-34 floor shots in the first half (29.4 percent), Madonna was 18-of-35 (51.4 percent).

It didn't get any better for Tech in the second half. For the game, Madonna made 33-of-59 shots (55.9 percent) compared to the Warriors' 21-of-65 (32.3 percent). The Crusaders also had a wide edge in rebounding 51-31.

Kathy Panganis led Madonna with 21 points, she also had eight rebounds and six assists.

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Mahogany Fletcher (from Farmington Harrison) contributed 15 points and three steals, and Lindsay Simmon finished with 14 points. Carissa Gzicki had just two points, but also totaled 10 assists, nine boards and two steals.

Tech was paced by Thyoshi Chambers with 18 points. LaShanda Conwell had 17 and Jennifer Swanson 11.

Madonna 72, Tri-State 66: A first-half cushion got away from Madonna Saturday, but the Lady Crusaders recovered down the stretch to hold off the Tri-State University Thunder and claim the victory Saturday at Madonna.

Tri-State fell to 10-9 overall, 4-2 in the WHAC.

Kathy Panganis and Lindsay Simmon each shredded Tri-State for 18 points, helping Madonna take a 36-26 halftime lead. The Thunder eliminated the gap eight minutes into the second half and following two Ann Miller free throws, took a 54-51 lead with 8:12 to play.

But the Crusaders bounced back, getting six points apiece from Nikki Blaszak and Mahogany Fletcher. Fletcher finished with 11 points and Tera Morrill (from Westland/Livonia Franklin) had eight.

Tri State was led by Julie Dobbs with 14 points, Crystal Hardesty with 13 and Miller with 12.

SC 74, Wayne County CC 43: By halftime, Schoolcraft College had built a comfortable, 11 point lead. To make certain there would be no comebacks, the Lady Ocelots padded their advantage with a 16-2 run to start the second half, taking them to a 48-23 lead with 16:23 left.

The win boosted SC's record to 13-4 overall, 5-0 in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference. Wayne CCC is 6-4 overall, 2-3 in the conference.

Rachel Eley led the Ocelots with 12 points, eight assists and six steals. Pam Wingate added 12 points and Keysa Hamilton scored 11. Devin Francois finished with nine points and nine rebounds.

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Prize money is available at bowling centers

There's a hot time in old Plymouth town on Wednesday nights at Plaza Lanes

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This is individual scratch play competition which pays out around \$700 or more for first place. The top finishers in the two games then go on to single match play eliminations to decide the order of fin-

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Last week there were over 60 entrants. And with added prize money, first place paid \$1,000.

This is just the place to go after you have had some of Aleta and Michelle's digital coach program.

The Greater Detroit Bowling Association announces the senior five-man team handicap tournament coming soon for bowlers 55 and up.

This year's 36th annual Karl Schmuck Memorial senior division tournament is dedicated to bowling's elder statesman, Jarvis Woehlke.

First place is \$1,000, with \$500 for second, and on down. Prize fee is returned 100 per-

cent, while the entry is only \$15 per person.

Reservations close Friday Jan 25, with entries closing Friday, Feb 1.

The event will be Saturdays, Feb 9 and 1. Squad action starts at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Shorecrest Lanes, located on Harper at Nine Mile Road in St. Clair Shores.

Entry forms are on the counters at most bowling centers, or call (586) 773-6350 for more information.

The latest figures from Greater Detroit Bowling Association revealed there were a total of 1,518 perfect (300) games in the last year (2000-2001). And based on the current data there

is a slight drop-off so far this season.

So far, there have been a total of 339,800 series in the GDBA this season.

These figures were among those passed along during the association's semi-annual meeting held recently at Renaissance Bowl in Detroit.

Hats off to GDBA president Marvin Dooley for the great job he is doing in his term in office.

A new local TV bowling show will kick off Saturday Feb 2 and run through April 20 with WJR's Tom Mazaway narrating.

The Greater Detroit Bowling Bonanza and will be aired by WPXD (PAX Network), which is on all cable systems.

The format for the show is a two-ball match with prizes awarded for strikes or spares.

The producers of the show include Mazaway, Mark Martin and Jerry Harris of Novi Bowl, and Drakeshire Lanes plan to promote more bowling in the Detroit area by involving other bowling centers.

Watch the TV guide for exact times coming up on Saturdays.

Tom Shively of Redford captured every jackpot across the board last week in the Wonderland Classic League at Wonderland Lanes in Livonia.

He also scored the highest three-game series ever in this highly regarded league. Rolling games of 299, 277, 290,

Shively amassed an amazing 866 for the three games.

This is also the highest series by anyone at Wonderland Lanes in its 45-year existence, according to proprietor Ken Bashara.

Tom also had a 300 game earlier this season, but has never yet bowled a perfect game in any of the 800 series which he has recorded.

League secretary Bob Mertz describes Tom's delivery as very smooth and precise, similar to the late great Earl Anthony Shively, a tool and die maker by trade, rolled 32 strikes out of a possible 36 in achieving his 866 score.

(Al Harrison is a Garden City resident.)

Finding water in winter not so easy for animals

As the temperatures decline, the inability of animals to find open water for drinking increases.

Water is an absolute essential for living things at all times of the year. Animals must obtain water no matter what form it is in.

Liquid water is at least warmer than 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Snow is frozen water so it must be colder than freezing.

Ice takes a lot of energy to melt into a liquid, plus, once swallowed it cools the inside of

an animal's body. Extreme cooling from the inside can cause hypothermia.

Animals in far northern climates, where all water is frozen, are able to obtain water from melting ice, or from eating snow. These animals must be adapted to tolerate such internal cooling. It was either adapt or die because of a lack of water.

In southeastern Michigan, animals avoid water freezing in their body cells by concentrating more salts and compounds inside. By concentrating more compounds in the water, the freezing point drops. We do the same thing with anti-freeze in the radiator of our car.

Sugar is often one of those compounds added to water to reduce the freezing point.

That explains why my injured red maple in the backyard was seeping sap the other day. Sugar maple sap is about 3-5 percent sugar, red maple sap concentration is probably just a little less. It's still enough to keep the sap from freezing.

Fortunately for the squirrels in my back yard this seep also serves as a source of high energy water.

I have watched both fox and red squirrels clinging upside down next to the seep and licking the sweet liquid. Not only are they getting the needed water, they are also getting energy from the sugar.

Licking sap from a natural seep is not unusual activity for squirrels, but creating seeps intentionally is not unheard of

either. Observers in the northeast have watched red squirrels develop a sap line. Something like trappers developing a trap line.

Red squirrels were observed gnawing an opening in branches of maple trees to induce sap to flow. They did not lick the sap immediately, instead, they waited a couple days to allow the wind and sun to evaporate the water causing sugar to concentrate in the remaining ice.

Then, they would follow the same route and enjoy the sugar from the sap wells they created.

I feel this is the way native Americans learned about the sweetness of sap and that concentrating it made it even sweeter and more appealing.

There is something about sugar and sweets that is appealing to most humans and to many animals.

Think about the animals that rely almost exclusively on sugar water, or nectar. The development of sweet nectar has attracted many animals to its source.

Hummingbirds eat some insects for protein, but the bulk of their diet is nectar from flowers. Honey bees do eat some pollen, but nectar is the mainstay of their diet.

Butterflies, moths, sunbirds, some beetles, and many other animals rely on the energy of sugar from the nectar.

If you don't have a source of water for birds at your feeding station, you can purchase a safe heater that runs on a thermostat to keep water available for them.

Do not put sugar in the water. Warm sugar water can allow bad things to grow in the water. Let the birds get their sugar water from the sap of trees where they have been getting it for thousands of years.

(Livonia resident Tim Nowicki is a naturalist with Independence Oaks Park north of Clarkston in Oakland County. He can be reached at (248) 625-6473.)

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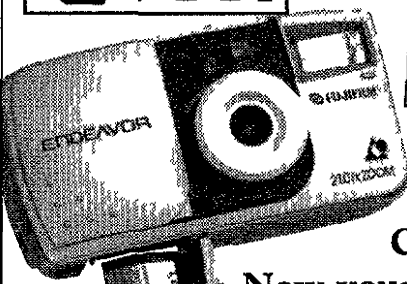
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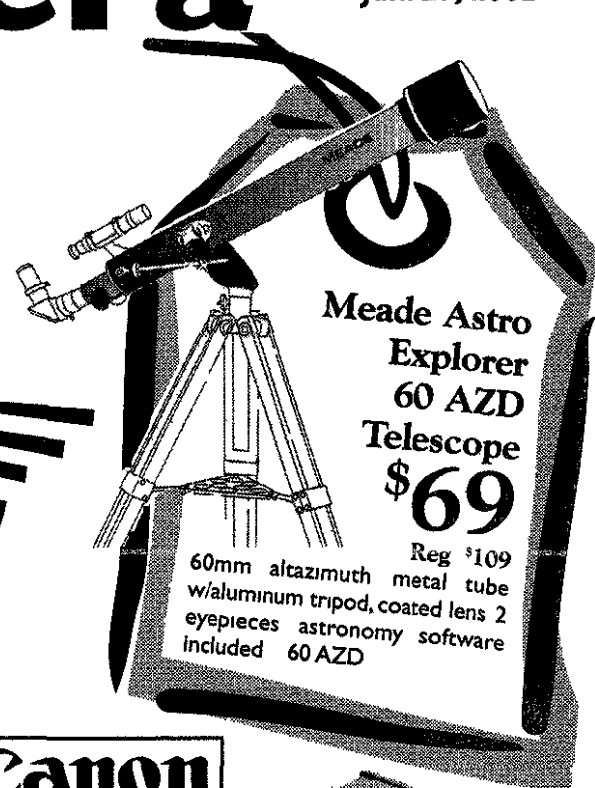


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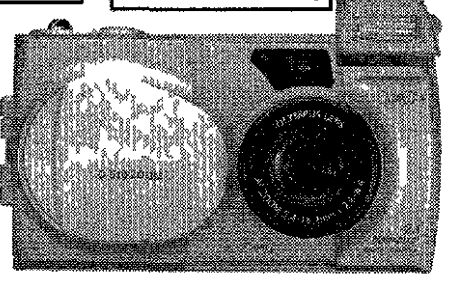


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are No 1 at their weights in the weekly Observerland rankings. Stewart is "a sleeper in the lineup," Rodriguez said He's 30-0 with a victory over a defending state champ from Dundee. Others with impressive records are Rodriguez at 27-3, Cracchiolo 28-2, Naysmith 26-4, Matt Steintrager (103) 27-3, Matt Koziara (112) 25-5 and Pat Clark (275) 23-7.

Chiefs hope to challenge

Canton coach John Demisick isn't predicting a title repeat, but he expects the Chiefs to make a good effort in the attempt. "It'll be a real fight for us to come out on top," he said "I'd say CC and (Westland) John Glenn are probably the teams to go after. They look like they're one and two." "We, along with everyone else, are going to get in there and fight and do what we can do." Like CC, Canton has been improving since the start of the season. "I think we started out a little lower than we had hoped," Demisick said. "But the last couple weeks we've been growing as a team and moving in the right direction." While the Chiefs might not be

the team favorite, they are one of the top five teams in the area, according to Demisick. "I'm surprised (area coaches) totally took us out of the rankings," he said. "That was a mistake - that we're not ranked in the top five at this point." "We've certainly had a couple disappointments along the way, but we still have some good strength to be a team that has a chance to do well." The Chiefs have won three tournaments - team events at Flushing and Novi and last week the Jackson Northwest Invitational. In addition to Rothwell (28-0), Doy Demisick (25-5) and Greg Musser (24-4) also have "the ability to make it all the way," according to the Canton coach. The Canton lineup also features Chris Hoesy (25-6) and Shahein Rajae (22-8). "We're a little more well rounded than some people must think we are," Demisick said. "Observerland is one of those places you're going to need everybody helping out if you're going to do well." Doy Demisick was second at 125 last year and is No 1 at 130. Musser wrestles at 145, Hoesy 140, Siegrist 152 and Rajae

189." **Glenn a solid team, too** One team that could challenge CC on Saturday is Westland John Glenn, sporting a 13-2 dual meet record. The Rockets are led by Nick Naber, a 103-pounder with a 21-1 record. He finished 4-0 last weekend in the Hartland Invitational dual meet tourney. Glenn won three of four matches at Hartland, falling only to Grand Rapids Northview, ranked No 5 in Division I. The Rockets earned wins over Fowlerville, Oxford and Monroe. Other Glenn standouts include Kefentse Mandisa (119), who sports a 22-6 record, Phil Parker (125), 23-7, Rece Cox (130), 23-9, Phil Perry (135), 23-5, Enrique Garcia (140), 20-5, and Nick Wroblewski (160), 23-5. Mandisa, Parker, Perry and Wroblewski all finished with 3-1 records at the Hartland tourney. Garcia (flu) did not wrestle, but is expected back at Observerland. The Rockets, however, might have lost 189-pounder Jake Fairchild (possible broken finger). "I feel confident we can finish in the top three," Glenn coach Bill Polk said. "I'm sure CC is

189." favored. They're winning matches up top, the higher weights. We're just the opposite. We're better at the bottom." Polk knows his team must wrestle well to have a chance at the title. "Canton has a tough team, they were right behind us at the CC tournament," he said. "Churchill has some good kids, and Wayne could have three or four in the finals. Every school has kids who can get to the finals." Churchill is ranked No 3 in the area and will be a factor in the tournament, too. "It's going to come down to who is healthy to wrestle," Chargers coach Marty Altouman said. "Glenn is really looking good right now. It'll be a tight race between them and CC." "Canton and Salem are tough, too. There are five or six teams that are going to be vying for the top three (trophy) spots." Other individual wrestlers to watch include Ramis Bajrami, North Farmington, 112, Craig LaBaron, Redford Thurston, 119, Bryan Marsh, Wayne, 152, Steve Wallace, Wayne, 160, and Tony Martinez, Livonia Franklin, heavyweight.

Chiefs win invitational

Wrestlers can't afford to be complacent. That's a lesson Plymouth Canton's team learned last year at the Jackson Northwest Invitational, when several of its top wrestlers suffered early-round losses. The Chiefs vowed there would be no repeat this year, and last Saturday there wasn't. With a pair of Chiefs earning individual titles and two others taking seconds, Canton managed to emerge with the team championship trophy, outscoring runner-up Jackson Northwest 193 5-183. Adrian was third (140 5), followed by Salme (135), Chippewa Valley (131), Portland (116 5), Dexter (106), Trenton (101 5), Albion (95) and Harper Creek (92). "You can see the sparkle in their eyes right now when the team comes together before we compete," said Canton coach John Demisick. "They know the strength of being a team together. When guys know that others believe in them and are counting on them, great things happen. Right now, they believe, and great things are happening." Greg Musser (145-pound weight division) and Phil Rothwell (215) each wrestled to division titles. Mike Siegrist (152) and Shahein Rajae (189) finished second, with Steve Hogg (103), Rob Schmetzler (112), Chris Hoesy (140) and Mike Bonner (160) placing third. Doy Demisick (130) and Derek Robinson (135) were fourth. Canton's first- and second-year wrestlers competed at the Garden City Novice Tournament last Saturday. Steve Hoesy (135) finished first and Jimmy Kral placed third.

WRESTLING

AREA WRESTLING RANKINGS

WRESTLING RANKINGS	
Team rankings. 1 Redford Catholic Central, 2 Westland John Glenn 3 Livonia Churchill 4 Plymouth Salem 5 Wayne Memorial	140: 1 Nate Rodriguez (Redford CC) 2 Enrique Garcia (John Glenn) 3 Chris Hoesy (Canton) 4 John Dobbins (Wayne) 5 Chris Hopkins (RU)
103 pounds. 1 Nick Naber (Westland John Glenn) 2 Matt Steintrager (Redford CC) 3 Dan McAuliffe (Livonia Stevenson) 4 Brian Mervyn (Plymouth Salem) 5 Steve Hogg (Canton)	145: 1 Trevor Stewart (Redford CC) 2 Tony Kennard (Salem) 3 Greg Musser (Canton) 4 Lev Mergian (Churchill) 5 Chris McGlone (Wayne)
112: 1 Ramis Bajrami (North Farmington) 2 Gent Abdullahi (Livonia Churchill) 3 Drew Conner (John Glenn) 4 Jacob Davis (Garden City) 5 Matt Koziara (Redford CC)	152: 1 Bryan Marsh (Wayne) 2 Matt Radley (Stevenson) 3 Brad Gregory (John Glenn) 4 Adam Schaffer (Salem), 5 Mike Siegrist (Canton)
119: 1 Craig LaBaron (Redford Thurston) 2 Kefentse Mandisa (John Glenn) 3 Pete Bobee (Salem) 4 Dan Clement (Churchill) 5 Mark Valentin (Wayne Memorial)	160: 1 Steve Wallace (Wayne) 2 Brian Jones (Churchill) 3 Nick Wroblewski (John Glenn) 4 Dario Mainella (Stevenson) 5 Craig Blair (Salem)
125: 1 Mike Goethe (Salem) 2 Brian Clement (Churchill) 3 Shawn Parker (John Glenn) 4 Harry Leipsitz (N Farmington) 5 Tim Hammer (Wayne)	171: 1 Chris Cracchiolo (Redford CC) 2 Jay Abshire (Churchill) 3 Jack Seres (John Glenn) 4 Jake Bongero (RU) 5 Cortland Bartlett (Farmington)
130: 1 Doy Demisick (Plymouth Canton) 2 Rece Cox (John Glenn) 3 Jason Fischer (Stevenson) 4 Steve Lenhardt (Churchill) 5 Jon Schwartz (Farmington)	189: 1 Ryan Rogowski (Redford CC) 2 Alex Murray (Churchill) 3 Jake Fairchild (John Glenn) 4 Shahein Rajae (Canton) 5 Josh Herrington (Thurston)
135: 1 Phil Perry (John Glenn) 2 Nate Dillard (Salem) 3 John Gourlay (Redford Union) 4 Chris Usher (Thurston) 5 Matt Nollar (Lutheran Westland)	215: 1 Phil Rothwell (Canton) 2 Thom Vandenbossche (Churchill) 3 Zack Jensen (Salem) 4 R J Ramsey (Wayne), 5 Blaic Naysmith (Redford CC)
	Heavyweight 1 Tony Martinez (Livonia Franklin) 2 Jason LaDuc (RU) 3 Pat Clark (Redford CC) 4 Nick Renton (Wayne) 5 Mike Robinson (Stevenson)

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The Second open letter to all Bill Knapp's Guests from Jamie Brown

To our valued Guests

THANK YOU! Last fall I began communicating that Bill Knapp's was bringing back the Knapp's tradition. The tradition, as it has been defined by the requests of our valued guests. You told us to bring back a more homey decor, you said take the televisions out of the dining areas, you told us of your favorite menu items and continue to tell us what you would like to see return to our menu. But most of all, you said, "Thanks for bringing back the Knapp's I remember." Now, I'm thanking you! I am overwhelmed with the outpouring of support for the improvements we have made. Although the cold weather has not allowed us to change the outside appearance of our restaurants, there are plenty of improvements on the inside.

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- More menu returns like Ham Croquettes and Tenderloin Steak are on the way!
- Anniversary Celebration Specials

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As a company founded on family dining traditions, we have worked to quickly get back on track. Although we are not finished, I again commit to you that we will work very hard to insure that you realize that we want to be your favorite family restaurant. We intend to accomplish this through our improvements, and continuing to provide a quality meal in clean, comfortable surroundings with friendly, competent service.

Again, I thank you for your support, for sharing information, and most of all. For coming back! I look forward to serving you, your friends, and your family often. Please accept my personal invitation to visit Bill Knapp's soon. Present this letter to your server before March 31st, 2002 and receive 25% off your guest check just for coming to see the improvements.

Sincerely,
Jamie L. Brown, CEO and President

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL Thursday, Jan 24 Inter City at Ply Christian 7 p m Macomb Christian vs Agape at Garden City United 7 p m S field Christian at St. Agatha 7 30 p m	PREP WRESTLING Thursday, Jan 24 Churchill at Canton 6 30 p m W L Western at Franklin 6 30 p m Stevenson at Farmington 6 30 p m John Glenn at W L Central 6 30 p m Wayne at Glt Carlson 6 30 p m	
Friday, Jan 25 Churchill at Northville 7 p m Harrison at Franklin 7 p m Stevenson at Farmington 7 p m John Glenn at N Farm 7 p m W L Central at Salem 7 p m Canton at W L Western 7 p m Wayne at Romulus 7 p m Thurston at Allen Park 7 p m Crestwood at Redford Union 7 p m Lincoln Park at Garden City 7 p m Cville at Luth Westland 7 p m Notre Dame at Redford CC 7 30 p m Borgess at N D Prep 7 30 p m Mt Carmel at St. Agatha 7 30 p m Huron Valley at World Outreach 7 30 p m Ply Christian vs Greater Life at EMU Convocation Ctr 8 p m	Saturday, Jan 26 Observerland Tourney at Churchill 9 a m BOYS SWIMMING Thursday, Jan 24 Canton at Franklin 7 p m W L Central at Stevenson 7 p m John Glenn at N Farm 7 p m Wayne at Trenton 7 p m	
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Thursday, Jan 24 Huron Valley at Tay Baptist 5 p m Mercy at H W Regina 6 30 p m Ladywood at Marian 6 30 p m Cville at Lutheran North 7 p m PCA at Luth Westland 7 p m	Friday, Jan 25 Liv Unified at Berkeley 7 p m	Saturday, Jan 26 Farmington Invitational 9 a m
Saturday, Jan 26 Woodhaven Tourney 8 a m Clarkston Tourney 8 a m Romulus Invitational 8 30 a m E Kentwood Tourney 9 a m	PREP HOCKEY Thursday, Jan 24 Red Unified vs Riverview at Redford Ice Arena 7 45 p m	PREP SKIING Thursday, Jan 24 Ladywood vs Hartland at Alpine Valley 3 30 p m
Friday, Jan 25 Franklin vs Stevenson at Edgar Arena 6 p m Salem vs Canton at Ply Cultural Ctr 6 p m Farm Unified vs W L Western at Lakeland Ice Arena 8 20 p m	Saturday, Jan 26 Red Unified at Allen Park 8 p m Redford CC vs G P North at Redford Ice Arena 8 p m	WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday, Jan 26 Schoolcraft at Alpena 3 p m Madonna at Spring Arbor 3 p m
		WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday, Jan 26 Schoolcraft at Alpena 1 p m Madonna at Spring Arbor 1 p m
		ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE Friday, Jan 25 Whalers vs Peterborough at Compuware Arena 7 30 p m
		Saturday, Jan 26 Whalers vs Belleville at Compuware Arena 7 30 p m

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 8 00 p m Thursday, February 7th, 2002 for the following:

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TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON -
BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JANUARY 15, 2002

A regular study session of the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees held Tuesday, January 15, 2002, at 1150 Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188. Treasurer Kirchgatter called the meeting to order at 9 00 p m.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdzak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, Shefferly
Members Absent: McLaughlin, Yack
Staff Present: Director Durack, Director Conkin

Director Durack stated presently they have 3 full time Maintenance Technician III's working at the Summit. There have been ongoing issues regarding who these employees report to. The second ongoing issue relates to the contract companies who have done the cleaning at the Summit. Director Durack and Director Conkin are proposing to go in-house with the cleaning responsibilities at the Summit. This has been a long ongoing process. The plan laid out in the chart presented to the Board is within striking distance of what is currently budgeted.

Director Conkin explained currently there are 3 Maintenance Technician III's at the Summit. The total expenditure assessed for that is \$219,704 00. This number includes a part time supplemental overtime. It does not include the Leisure Services portion of Bob Jenkins salary. That assessment is not included in that \$219,704 00 total. The proposal is to have two Maintenance Technician II's, one Maintenance Technician III and four Maintenance Tech IV and a Facility Specialist. Current staffing level for Maintenance Tech IV is zero. The proposal is to have four Maintenance Tech IV's at an expenditure of 143,079 0, slightly over the \$85,000 00 being paid presently for contracted cleaning services.

A Facility Specialist is a new position being proposed. The proposal is for a full time person. Current staffing level is for 3 full time positions with an expenditure of \$304,704 00. The new proposal is to go to eight full time staff for the expenditure of \$352,653 00. The new proposed staffing includes zero contract people. Fifty hours of Building Attendants will still be needed under the new proposal. Part time Maintenance currently is at 40 hours per week, but under the new plan only 10 hours per week will be needed.

Fitness Center staff is currently 25 hours per week and will need to be adjusted to 56 hours per week. Expansion of the Fitness Center staff hours was anticipated with the opening of the new fitness area.

Director Conkin stated the overtime expenditure was rolled into the \$219,704 00 figure and with the new proposal it should be drastically reduced. The new proposal anticipates approximately \$13,759 00 in overtime expenditures. Expenditure for current part time wages is \$141,805 00. With the new proposal part time wages should be reduced to \$96,583 00.

Director Conkin indicated there will be some start up supplies at a cost of \$12 000 00. Equipment purchases, such as vacuums, and cleaning supplies that presently are provided by the cleaning contractor will need to be made.

Total present Summit maintenance expenses for 2002 is \$446,509 00. With the new plan, adding the full time staff expenses will be \$461,238 00. The current expenditure of \$446,509 00 does not include the \$10,200 00 that is currently spent on overtime for cleaning Pheasant Run and Softball Center. The maintenance of the office at Softball Center will either be rolled into Diamond's responsibility or one of our part time people will be assigned to the cleaning duty.

One maintenance technician upgrades will be responsible for the total maintenance of the Aquatic Center, dealing with the chemicals and keeping the Aquatic area clean. Right now maintenance is split between a part time seasonal staff and a full time aquatic employee. The upgraded position will be in charge of ordering the chemicals, maintenance of the pool and the related locker room and service areas. There is a habitual problem in keeping the locker rooms clean. Maintenance will then be under one umbrella in the Aquatics Center rather than some of it being done by the lifeguard and some done by custodian.

Treasurer Kirchgatter questioned if the Maintenance Tech IV position would be more like a manager directing work. Director Conkin stated it is not a manager position, this person will actually be doing the work and

Hoops from page D1

They trailed 34-26 with 4:11 left. That's when Dave Hoskins, who was held scoreless in the first half (guarded mostly by Brendan Murphy), stole the ball and glided in for a dunk while being fouled by Lasko. His additional free throw trimmed Canton's lead to 34-29.

With 1:33 left in the third, a Nick Prentice basket gave the Rocks their first lead since the first quarter, 35-34. It didn't last, a three-point play in the closing seconds by Steve Thornton provided the Chiefs with a 37-35 advantage after three quarters.

Still, the Rocks kept the momentum building and midway through the final quarter, it was Canton that was in trouble. Baskets by Brady Pastalanec and Hoskins, followed by a Pat Abraham three pointer, put Salem ahead 44-39 with five minutes left. A Gazsi basket was but a minor detour, the Rocks followed it with a three-point play by Hoskins and another Abraham basket, pushing their lead to 49-41 with 3:04 to play.

Then the tide shifted back towards Canton. A Gazsi triple started it and a Lasko three ended it, with two Murphy put-

backs in between, the 10-2 run in less than two minutes eliminated the deficit.

The Rocks took the advantage again on two Kevin Savitskie free throws and another by Hoskins, giving them a three point lead with 20 seconds left. But Gazsi solved that, luring Hoskins into committing his fourth foul while he attempted a three-pointer, Gazsi nailed all three free throws and the game was tied at 54-all, leading to overtime.

There was a factor, however, that the Chiefs couldn't overcome Salem's bench. With Meagrow hurt, Rheault had just eight players to call upon, Brodie used 10, believing that by game's end it would make a difference.

It did. The Chiefs made just one basket in overtime, to go with two free throws. Once Abraham scored and was fouled with 2:37 left in the extra period — he hit the free throw — Canton's fate was sealed. A steal and a layup by Stevland Davis with 2:26 left in OT, following Abraham's basket and free throw, gave the Rocks a five-point lead, which Canton could not overcome.

"At halftime (their three-point-

ers) was a concern," admitted Brodie. "But I knew they had a depth problem and I thought their legs might give out."

"Everybody came off the bench and helped us — Prentice, (Brad) Clark and (Ryan) Williams in particular. I think that made a big difference late in the game. Not that (Canton) is out of shape — they just play with such intensity."

The Chiefs did manage to muzzle Hoskins, putting him on the sidelines with two fouls early in the game and limiting him to 13 points, none in the first half.

"We neutralized him," said Rheault. "Murphy's defense on Hoskins was outstanding."

However

"When you're dealing with two players like those two (Hoskins and Abraham), you take risks," the Canton coach admitted.

In this case, it was Abraham who took cashed in, scoring a game high 24 points. Pastalanec contributed 10.

Gazsi finished with 20 for the Chiefs. Lasko added 18.

Another tight finish to another game between campus rivals. Or as Brodie summarized, "Do you expect anything less from a Canton-Salem game?"

PCA 60, S'field. Christian 59: When is the lead most important to a team?

At the game's end, of course — which is exactly when Plymouth Christian Academy managed to wrestle it from host Southfield Christian Tuesday. James Bauslaugh intercepted a Southfield Christian pass in the closing seconds and drove in for a layup, only to be fouled with 0:2 seconds left in the game. Bauslaugh missed his first free throw but made the second to give PCA the victory.

Which improved its record to 5-4 overall, 2-2 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Southfield Christian is 3-4 overall, 1-3 in the MIAC.

It was an uphill battle for PCA through the first half and into the second, facing deficits like 15-11 after one quarter and 27-19 at the half. In the third quarter, PCA narrowed the gap to a single point before Southfield Christian answered, pushing its lead back to 10. Still, PCA persevered and managed to pull to within 44-39 entering the fourth quarter.

That's when Clay Welton took command, nailing a pair of

three-pointers in the fourth quarter to close the gap. "He just carried us," said PCA coach Doug Taylor.

Welton finished with 15 points. Aaron Ciborowski added 13 points, eight rebounds and four blocked shots, and Bauslaugh had 11 points, four assists and four steals.

Free throws were a key factor in the game. At one point, PCA missed nine straight from the line in the first half in going 1-for-10. That changed in the sec-

ond half, with PCA converting 15 of 20 from the line (16-of-30 overall). Southfield Christian was 7 of 9 at the stripe.

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ROBERT M. MEISNER
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This is an extremely difficult issue which may be clearly fact intensive based upon the particular circumstances of your case.

There is some authority out of the US District Court for the Western District of Michigan that suggests that a township's actions in a similar situation don't constitute a taking nor do they violate equal protection principles.

Consult with a knowledgeable real estate attorney.

I would like to buy a condominium near the Strip in Las Vegas. Are any new condominiums being offered in that area?

Most new construction in Las Vegas is outside the immediate environs of the Strip.

However, on a recent visit I noted that units in a new luxury condominium are being offered in one of three high rise buildings on Las Vegas Boulevard.

These would afford you the opportunity to view the 'City of Lights' very closely but make sure you closely review the purchase agreement and inspect the model before you sign any binding agreement.

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This column provides general information and shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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Residential appreciation: Sales prices reflect an increase in value for houses and condominiums here

Home prices keep climbing in healthy real estate market

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Home ownership continues to be a terrific investment. Median (half above/ half below) sales prices in almost every Observer & Eccentric community last year showed a gradual appreciation from year end 2000 figures.

A 6 to 6½-percent rise was typical. Prices jumped within that range in Auburn Hills, Farmington/ Farmington Hills, Oxford/ Oxford Township and Southfield in Oakland County, according to numbers provided by Realcomp II, a large multi-listing service for area real estate boards.

In Wayne County, Canton, Plymouth/ Plymouth Township and Redford all experienced that increase. A couple were even higher — Rochester, nearly 19 percent, Lake Orion/ Orion Township 11 percent, Realcomp II reported.

Professionals attributed sales decreases in a couple of upper end Observer & Eccentric communities to statistical aberrations rather than actual value drops. Following are year-end median sales prices by community starting with 2001 and dating back annually to 1996. The number in parenthesis refers to number of sales last year.

In Wayne County
 ■ Canton (1,248 sales), \$219,000, \$206,500, \$187,500, \$171,000, \$163,000, \$149,900
 ■ Garden City (419), \$126,900, \$123,100, \$112,100, \$99,900, \$93,000, \$86,000
 ■ Livonia (1,456), \$172,000, \$164,000, \$151,900, \$140,000, \$134,000, \$126,000
 ■ Plymouth city/township (635), \$217,000, \$204,000, \$180,000, \$164,500, \$161,000, \$147,200
 ■ Redford (1,039), \$121,250, \$114,000, \$101,000, \$91,500, \$85,000, \$74,900
 ■ Westland (1,117), \$135,000, \$128,000, \$118,900, \$110,000, \$96,500, \$89,900

In Oakland County
 ■ Auburn Hills (196), \$151,000,

\$141,500, \$130,000, \$116,500, \$110,000, \$107,600
 ■ Birmingham (468), \$240,500, \$245,000, \$227,000, \$225,000, \$192,000, \$177,000
 ■ Bloomfield Hills (82), \$320,000, \$340,000, \$347,500, \$300,000, \$419,000, \$430,000
 ■ Bloomfield Township (649), \$259,100, \$236,900, \$235,800, \$220,300, \$204,000, \$184,200
 ■ Clarkston/ Independence Township (507), \$230,000, \$227,500, \$219,000, \$190,000, \$169,000, \$169,900
 ■ Farmington/ Farmington Hills (1,290), \$222,500, \$208,500, \$192,000, \$186,000, \$172,500, \$165,000
 ■ Lake Orion/ Orion Township (506), \$215,500, \$194,000, \$183,000, \$169,000, \$155,000, \$148,000
 ■ Oakland Township (189), \$365,000, \$355,500, \$328,000, \$330,000, \$280,700, \$284,500
 ■ Oxford village and township (240), \$212,000, \$199,900, \$170,200, \$170,000, \$161,000, \$151,700
 ■ Rochester (180), \$268,500, \$225,900, \$168,000, \$149,900, \$140,500, \$128,900
 ■ Rochester Hills (1,001), \$240,000, \$240,000, \$226,000, \$211,900, \$198,500, \$187,900
 ■ Southfield (889), \$157,500, \$147,500, \$140,700, \$132,000, \$124,900, \$112,000
 ■ Troy (896), \$237,500, \$221,500, \$199,500, \$190,000, \$183,500, \$171,000
 ■ Waterford (1,233), \$152,500, \$148,400, \$139,900, \$128,000, \$120,300, \$109,900
 ■ West Bloomfield (956), \$220,100, \$226,000, \$203,000, \$219,000, \$205,500, \$191,000

The sales figures included existing houses and condominiums that changed hands, plus new stock that came on the market. Refinancings weren't included.

"People should feel fortunate the (residential) real estate market hasn't had bumps or bruises of other markets (corporate stocks, commercial)," said John McArdle, broker/ owner of Remerica Hometown One in Plymouth.

"At this time, with a combination of

low interest rates and ample availability of homes, everyone wins," he added.

First-time buyers with a lack of cash for a down payment shouldn't be deterred by rising prices, McArdle said. "Mortgage product availability is increasing in scope and opportunity."

The specific sales price of a home depends on its style, size and condition, supply and demand, and willingness of sellers and buyers to negotiate.

Prices even can vary within a community depending on the reputation of different school districts and the lay of the land.

Care should be taken analyzing median sales figures, especially in upper end Oakland County communities, said Karen Kage, CEO for Realcomp II.

In recent years, numbers have been understated for some sales of existing properties in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills, she said.

Also, median sales figures in Bloomfield Township and West Bloomfield are averages of several different submarkets.

Reporting numbers can be deceiving and unless they're distressed sales, folks in Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham aren't selling for less money, said Bob Taylor, an associate broker with Weir Manuel Snyder & Ranke in Birmingham.

He has 27 years experience and termed the Birmingham-Bloomfield markets stable.

"The sky is not falling," Taylor said. "I looked at every sale in Birmingham the last couple of years and only one house sold for less than the guy paid for."

The immediate future?

"I see people maybe being a little less aggressive about asking prices," Taylor said. "I think you're going to find homes will sell in a little less time."

"All things considered, I think that the market will stay stable, stay reasonable. Healthy is a very good word," Taylor added.

"You need wise counsel whether you're buying or selling. I don't see Realtors who know how to go out and get business sitting on the sidelines," he said.

Cash flow help for seniors

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

Our slowing economy has affected many people, but perhaps none as severely as the elderly. Under ordinary circumstances, many senior citizens are faced with the monthly struggle of trying to get a dime to fit where a quarter should go.

Of late, above average unemployment figures have made it even more difficult for some to find worthwhile ways to supplement their incomes.

Some of my senior clients have shared with me that maintaining a strict budget is the only way they can make ends meet. Predictably, when I share with these folks financial options that can significantly improve their monthly cash flow, the ideas are usually welcomed with open minds and big smiles.

Anthony DeSantis, the president of Affluent Solutions, LLC in Birmingham Farms, is a pioneer in the field of Financial Engineering. "Personal financial planning is incomplete if one cannot spend the value of his home," DeSantis explains.

"Even people with large amounts of assets come to understand that their home's equity is the most efficient place to get cash. A correctly engineered financial plan improves cash flow while minimizing risk," he said.

Seniors who own their own homes have several mortgage tools available to them to help them improve their lifestyles. These financial products include reverse mortgages, Home Equity Conversion Mortgages (HECMs), FHA or conventional cash-out refinances, Home Equity Lines of Credit (HELOCs), no-document loans and no-income verification loans.

Each loan type has its benefits and restrictions, but they are all designed to provide specific benefits that can be tailored to a borrower's unique needs. Some allow seniors to qualify with just their Social Security or retirement income, and others require no income verification at all.

In some cases, seniors may need a "lump sum" cash infusion into their lives. Others may just be seeking a few hundred extra dollars a month to help put some "gold" back into their Golden Years.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth. He can be reached at www.vlender.com/pl/philiphshq or at (734) 797-5522. Home buyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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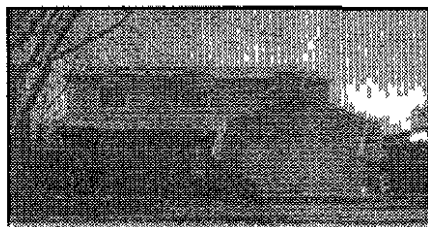
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1471 Glengarry Blvd \$325,000	49352 Manhattan Cir \$260,000	27714 Clarita St \$165,000	1362 Beech St \$171,000	14900 Fox \$375,000	
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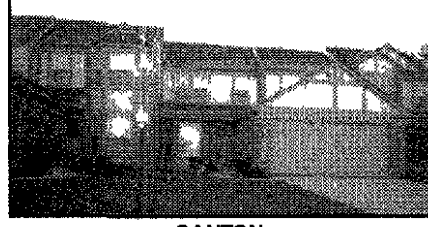
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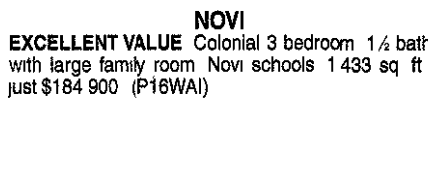
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LAKE POINTE VILLAGE COLONIAL This is not your typical Colonial! Fabulous master addition makes this home special has sitting room book cases walk in closet Garden bath with whirlpool tub 3 bedrooms with hardwood floors Formal dining & living room family room with corner fireplace kitchen with appliances (P51MAX) \$259,900



BELLEVILLE
BELLEVILLE RANCH New three bedroom two full bath Ranch on private road Walk out basement 250 deep park like setting lot Walking distance to public lake and state park Near town & easy access to freeways large room sizes/walk in closet in master bedroom (P33SHE) \$190,000



DEARBORN
STANDARD EXCELLENCE AWARD Move right into this charming ranch New elec furnace roof driveway C/A copper plumbing siding windows gutted kitchen carpet finished basement with 2nd bath and more (P15PEN) \$129,900



NOVI
EXCELLENT VALUE Colonial 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath with large family room Novi schools 1433 sq ft just \$184,900 (P16WAI)



NOVI
BEAUTIFUL, SPACIOUS CONDO In Maples of Novi 3 bedroom condo includes 3 baths eat in kitchen w/skylight great room w/cathedral 9 ft ceilings Master bedroom can be on 1st floor or 2nd floor Nice deck full basement with loads of storage attached garage Golf Course community w/pool and clubhouse (P61IND) \$209,000



NOVI
DETACHED CONDO IN MAPLES OF NOVI Beautiful 4 bedroom master suite with double vanity 2 1/2 baths walk out basement in a golf course community with club house and pool Hardwood floors doorwall to deck 2 car attached garage Many custom features Priced to sell (P99COL) \$225,000



REDFORD
OUTSTANDING RANCH Brck ranch 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath partially finished basement 2 car garage! Updates includes new carpeting in living room & hall newer roof tear off (incl garage) newer windows (Wallside) except kitchen glass block window elect C/A lots of storage Nice starter home! (P92LEX) \$125,000

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NORTHVILLE \$499,500 Northville's Finest Location This magnificent home sits on a point w/lakefront view Huge kit w/island Gr w/formal fireplace library DR & master ste Professionally finished walkout lower level (BGP 44Lak) 734 453 6800	CANTON \$379,900 Absolutely Fabulous 4BR 2.5BA colonial in Canton's premier golf course comm Lux mstr ste w/vaulted clg sitting rm/nursery & vic 9ft cigs on 1st flr Gourm kit & nook Dynamite study (BGP 48San) 734 453 6800	CANTON \$249,900 Wide Open Spaces Backing To Beautiful Commons! 4br w/new carpet & nice decor Finished basement huge porch & great location Hurry or you'll miss this charmer (BGN26MAI) 248 347 3050	INKSTER \$115,900 Instantly Appealing W/quality Updates is what you'll find throughout this 3 Bedroom brick Ranch Remodeled Kitchen & Bath new roof windows & 6 paneled doors Finished Bsmt with Berber carpet & glass block windows 734 591 0333	LIVONIA \$269,900 Stately Rosedale Colonial Much renovation completed in 94 Four bedrooms w/huge master suite Large family room First floor laundry/flav Two full baths w/ Double corner lot Must see BGL 00MEL734 462 1811	LIVONIA \$69,900 Nicely maintained 2nd story larger unit w/2 BR 2 BA All appl incl Laundry fac in unit bsmt w/storage carport Balcony w/pool view Assoc fee includes heat water BGL 36BOB 734 462 1811	REDFORD \$122,800 Located On Low Traffic Street South Redford Ranch offers 1000+ sq ft w/plenty of closet & storage space a finished basement with newer furnace/CA updated windows doors roof and electricity 734 591 0333
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Max Brook merges with Real Estate One

Max Brook Realtors, a fourth-generation real estate company founded in 1895, has combined with Real Estate One, a third-generation firm established in 1929.

Combining luxury home sales from the Real Estate One Family of Companies with Max Brook Realtors creates one of the largest upper tier agencies in Michigan marketing homes from \$500,000 to \$5 million.

Dan Elsea, president of brokerage services for Real Estate One, welcomes the realignment.

"Max Brook is one of the premier brokers in Michigan. We are excited about building upon their long history of success and look forward to the next 100 years of the Max Brook tradition."

"We both share a proud family heritage of serving the real estate needs of metro homeowners," Elsea said.

Bowen Brook echoed enthusiasm over the merger.

"Clients from both our companies will benefit from the knowledge and service our combined firms can offer."



Joining forces: Stuart Elsea (left) and Dan Elsea, co-presidents of Real Estate One, welcome Bowen Brook and Max Brook Realtors into their family of companies.

will be pleased to know that the Max Brook organization will retain its traditional identity while offering many of the exciting promotional and marketing programs developed by Real Estate One," Brook said.

Last year, the firms combined sold over \$1.7 billion in the Oakland County luxury market, earning a 30

percent market share of homes priced above \$1 million. Real Estate One reported Statewide, the firms' combined sales were in excess of \$3.2 billion.

Max Brook has five offices in Oakland County located in Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, West Bloomfield, Clarkston and Rochester.

Real Estate One owns 38 company offices in the metro area, including Livonia, Plymouth, West Bloomfield, Westland, Farmington Hills, Commerce, Clarkston, Bloomfield Hills, Troy, Southfield, Rochester and Lathrup Village, and five offices in Traverse City.

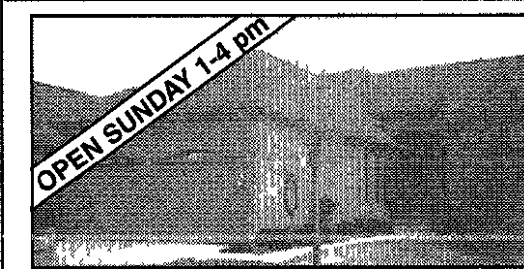
There are 35 franchised Real Estate One offices outstate throughout Michigan.

For now, all the Brook offices will remain open and retain the Max Brook identity. Bowen Brook will be in charge of the Brook group. None of the agents associated with either firm is expected to lose his or her affiliation as a result of the merger.

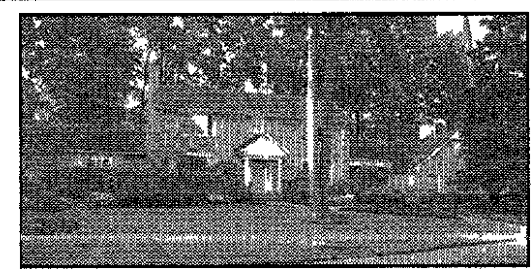
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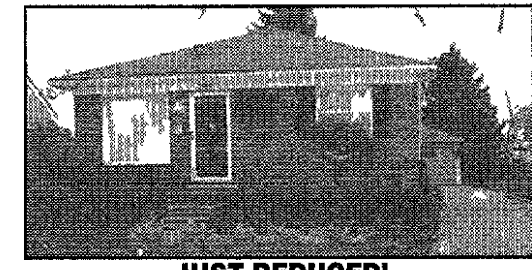
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<p>GORGEOUS PLYMOUTH RANCH - Beautiful 3 bedroom 2 bath Plymouth Ranch backing to wooded creek. New kitchen new roof and new landscaping with newly finished rec room in basement with possible fourth bedroom & full bath with jetted tub \$187,900 (145HA)</p>	<p>THREE BEDROOM BRICK RANCH - Updated windows kitchen bath electrical and a fabulous finished basement. Two car garage new furnace central air and a central vacuum \$154,900 (539PI)</p>	<p>STOP! - 27 x 16 master suite with natural brick fireplace doorwall to balcony & roughed in for full bath! Vinyl insulated windows new furnace 11/02 new roof shingles with tear off seamless aluminum gutters & downspouts - 96 2 sets of glass paneled French doors Jenn Aire island Cherrywood kitchen 16x15 sky lighted sun room! Cedar deck! \$229,000 (065RO)</p>	<p>DEVELOPER? - 9.3 acres on Ann Arbor Trail between Sheldon and Beck 450 front feet. Currently home to 2 older Ranch homes \$1,000,000 (170AN)</p>	<p>DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH! - Go den opportunity for home ownership at an affordable price! Being sold as is - a little TLC and you'll have the home of your dreams with 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths formal dining room finished basement and a 2 car garage \$53,550 (503WE)</p>	<p>TURN OF THE CENTURY CHARM - Rosedale Gardens - charming home with new oak kitchen huge sitting porch central air basement garage and all the ambience to go with it \$169,900 (908BE)</p>	<p>FOUR BEDROOM PLYMOUTH COLONIAL - With 2 1/2 baths Dramatic great room with cathedral ceilings and huge bay window Ceramic foyer large master bedroom with bath and walk in closet. Large kitchen and library with French door leading to magnificent two tiered deck with screened in gazebo overlooking beautiful commons \$365,900 (828PI)</p>
<p>IMMACULATE NEUTRAL HOME - Owner hates to leave this wonderful 3 bedroom Colonial Open floor plan with large great room First floor laundry Finished basement 2 car garage and a large lot with deck and hot tub \$233,000 (4350A)</p>	<p>GREAT RANCH - Beautifully updated kitchen new windows glowing hardwood floors plus much more in this Plymouth 3 bedroom 2 bath brick Ranch \$194,900 (858BA)</p>	<p>DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS HOME! - Beautiful 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch with an ideal location! Amenities include first floor master bedroom natural fireplace in living room & basement and in ground pool. Easy access to 696 Call for details \$254,900 (125SP)</p>	<p>FABULOUS FOX RUN - Spacious 3200+ square foot Colonial with 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths library family room and more. Loaded with amenities. Situated on a beautiful lot backing to commons \$409,000 (015VI)</p>	<p>MUST SEE!! - Two story Condo with attached garage minutes from the Summit & Pheasant Run golf course. Completely updated home new Berber carpet (7/01) ceramic tile countertops in kitchen/bathrooms ceramic tile surrounds a natural gas fireplace new light fixtures & ceiling fans magnificent solid oak first floor Refin shed deck (8/01) \$158,900 (618YO)</p>	<p>REDFORD RANCH - Wonderful 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch on a beautiful tree lined street Neutral decor new furnace and gorgeous redone hardwood floors. Newer roof and kitchen floor. Large open living room finished basement screened porch & a 2 car garage \$134,500 (037CA)</p>	<p>CANTON 3 BEDROOM COLONIAL - Great clean updated 3 bedroom Canton Colonial Plymouth/Canton schools located near shopping & schools \$219,000 (515AP)</p>



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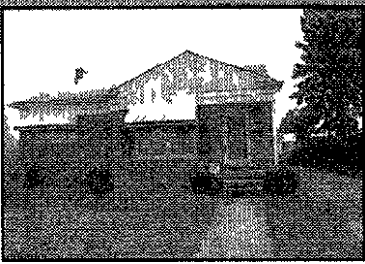
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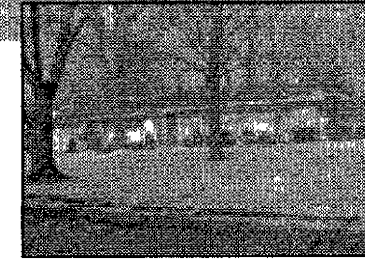
LIVONIA - Livonia schools! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath brick Ranch with 2 car garage Updates newer windows hard wood floors new carpet in basement with 1/4 bath & covered porch out back! \$148 900 (28ARC) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - Great home and a great area! All brick Ranch with finished basement and 2 car garage Large kitchen with updated ceramic floors and counters opening to a generous family room with fireplace Two additional bedrooms in finished basement \$164 999 (28HAM) 734 455 5600



VAN BUREN - Premium lot! On 1/3 acre! Open foyer with hunter green ceramic tile Formal dining room or library Great room has natural fireplace trimmed in ceramic Spacious kitchen with bay Three car attached garage Master suite \$219 900 (80SAD) 734 455 5600



BLOOMFIELD HILLS - Incredible house & lot 3 bedroom 2 bath Ranch was recently updated thru out Newer white kitchen & basement walk in closet in master etted tub in master bath Newer ceramic oak floor & carpet thru out Brick paver walkway Approximate 1/2 acre treed lot \$231 000 (30BRA) 248 349 5600



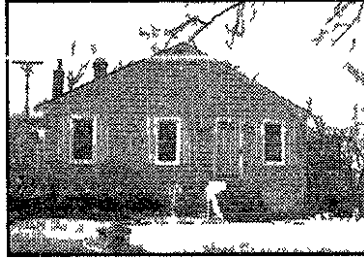
GREEN OAK - All brick Georgian Colonial Three bedroom 2 full & 2 1/2 bath home that has Grand Hotel style front & back porches Island kitchen open to dining room with fireplace Wet bar in family room plus fireplace Master suite with Jacuzzi tub bed walk in closet & vanity area \$330 000 (07AYL) 248 349 5600



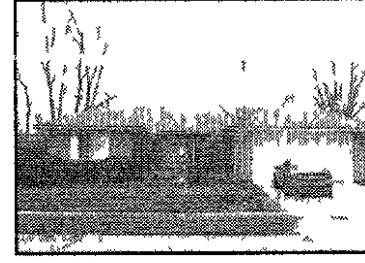
NOVI - Shown with pride Custom Colonial with Northville schools Great family area Four bedroom 3 bath 3 car garage 2 years old Overlooks protected area Two story foyer 9 ceilings walk out lower level Large cedar deck All amenities needed for living & entertaining \$569 000 (80BAR) 248 349 5600



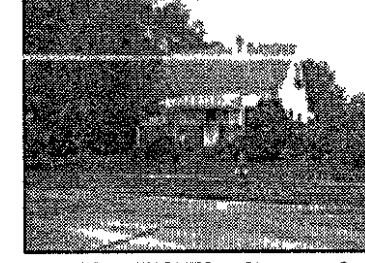
VAN BUREN - Immaculate newer Colonial! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath 1994 built Colonial Huge master suite Hardwood floors in the foyer & kitchen Two bay windows Second floor laundry Full basement Fenced yard 2 car attached garage! \$239 900 (47BER) 734 455 5600



PLYMOUTH - Heart of downtown! Across from Plymouth's largest park Two bedroom Ranch with open layout! Refinished hardwood floors newer kitchen loads of white cabinets & pantry Kitchen appliances included Newer vinyl windows \$177 000 (14HAR) 734 455 5600



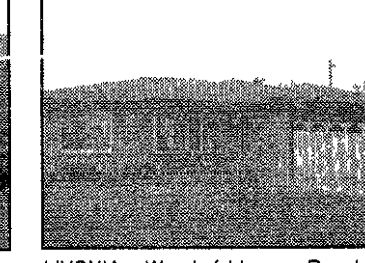
CANTON - Lovely updated Ranch Three bedroom 3 bath Ranch with newer air water heater roof furnace & windows Gorgeous kitchen Newer carpet in basement & entry level Hardwood floors n foyer & kitchen Appliances \$204 900 (37SOU) 734-455 5600



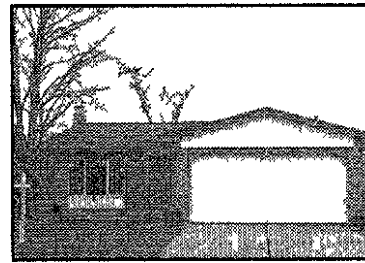
MADISON HEIGHTS - Charming Cape Cod Four bedroom 1 1/2 bath well cared for home with partially finished basement central air & hardwood floors Located on a double corner lot Many updates \$135 900 (51BRO) 248 349 5600



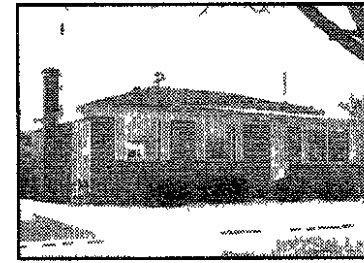
REDFORD - Brick Tudor Two large bedrooms Updated kitchen and bath Carved wood fireplace attached garage air conditioning fenced yard basement lav newer roof furnace & windows \$129 900 (42SUM) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Wonderful Livonia Ranch with 3 bedrooms & 2 1/2 baths Located on a cul de sac setting Newer hot water heater air conditioning roof updated kitchen newer windows door walls exterior doors and the 1st goes on and on \$219 900 (99BAI) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Great curb appeal! Newer dimensional roof (99) vinyl siding Hansen windows & meticulously maintained landscape Open floor plan recently painted neutral decor updated kitchen & bath Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath \$185 900 (59BRI) 734 455 5600

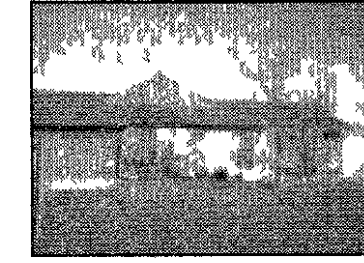


DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Dearborn Heights delight! Three bedroom brick Ranch with 2 car 25 x 24 garage Updated kitchen with newer oak cabinets Newer Pella windows furnace central air steel entry doors & storm doors front & back \$161 900 (25HAS) 734 455 5600

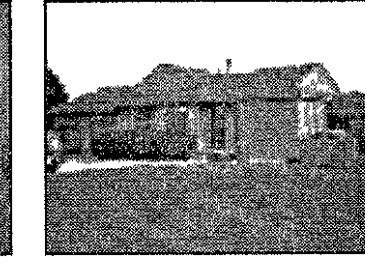


PLYMOUTH 705 South Main St. 734-455-5600
NORTHVILLE 175 CadyCentre 248-349-5600

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SOUTH LYON - Ranch Condo End unit with Florida room single car garage 2 full baths Pergo/wood like flooring & neutral decor Short walk to club house & beach area 55+ community \$100 000 (06SHE) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Ranch Condo Fresh paint! carpet & more in end unit with attached garage & Florida room Enjoy club house and beach on Crooked Lake \$100 000 (44ARL) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - What a deal! Three bedroom 2 bath brick Bungalow Covered ceilings & hardwood floors Bowled window & built in cabinet in dining area Upgraded kitchen cabinets Glass block windows in basement Detached garage \$134 903 (15CAV) 734 455 5600



HOWELL - Better than new! Built in 2000 and backs to open park area! Hardwood foyer bay-window in living room and formal dining room Kitchen with oak cabinets pantry and appliances Breakfast nook with deck to doorwall Family room with vaulted ceiling \$227 500 (19OAK) 734 455 5600



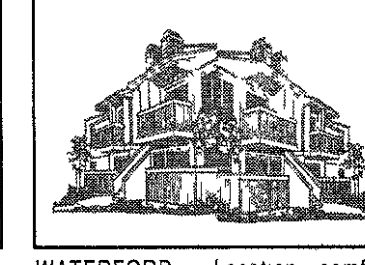
REDFORD - Bright Redford Bungalow! Many updates newer vinyl siding windows doors & furnace 11 x 7 deck partially finished basement & updated electric with breakers Carpeted thru out A lot of storage FHA and VA \$112 900 (07CEN) 734-455 5600



CANTON - Wow! This is it! Wonderful Condo with open floor plan! First floor master suite with gas fireplace walk in closet & full bath Large living room with soaring ceilings Eat in kitchen with door wall to deck Upstairs bedroom with private bath Walk out basement & loft! \$274 900 (20PRE) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Beautifully updated! Close to Ford Woods Park Spacious living room & formal dining room Newly carpeted throughout Newer vinyl windows & roof Ceramic bath complete ly redone Bright cherry kitchen with new floor \$100 000 (30STE) 734 455 5600



WATERFORD - Location comfort Condo Forget lawn mowing & snow shoveling Condo life is so o o easy Two bedroom Townhouse end unit offers privacy and easy living Many updates include Pergo floor & finished basement for extra living space \$129 000 (05WOO) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE - Terrific opportunity Three bedroom Tn level offers the chance to live n Northville Township/Northville school district Large lot offers recreation garden & more Hardwood floors in bedrooms fireplace in living room garage & shed for extra storage \$215 000 (95CLE) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Absolutely exquisite 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath with view of a wooded nature preserve from the wrap around deck Huge gourmet kitchen with island & white cabinetry Spectacular living quarters in walk out lower level Northville schools \$579 900 (00BAR) 248 349 5600



WAYNE - Great and 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



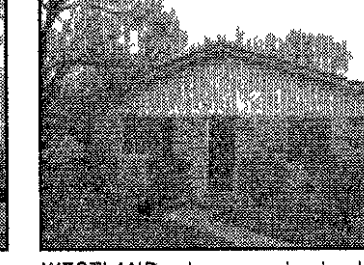
CANTON - Private wooded lot! Enjoy your privacy! Numerous updates white kitchen updated baths vinyl windows roof (within 1 year) & central air Open floor plan & fireplace! Neutral decor \$220 000 (32RAI) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Entertain & enjoy! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial with open floor plan of family room kitchen & dining combo enhanced with fireplace Formal living room 1989 built with decor of recent paint and carpet foyer tile floor and landscaped lot \$239 528 (62VAS) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN - Gorgeous home Updates galore on this 3 bedroom Bungalow White wash oak in kitchen with ceramic floor & wall ceramic bath pre finished hardwood floor newer carpet upstairs windows shingles & siding \$153 000 (50RAY) 248 349 5600



WESTLAND - Livonia schools plus a whole lot more This cute & clean Ranch has 3 bedrooms 2 1/2 car garage & updates galore Great for someone starting out or downsizing Just turn the key & move right in All appliances are included \$114 900 (68CAR) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Horse lovers dream Enjoy country living in this well cared for home on approximately 7 acres Updates include kitchen bath newer furnace/air & newly added family room Three stall horse barn & fenced pasture are great for horses \$233 000 (01DIX) 248 349 5600



GARDEN CITY - Wonderful home! North Garden City Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch with newer windows roof & hot water heater Beautiful oak kitchen with hardwood floors under Roof stripped 01 & finished basement with wet bar \$158 900 (45GOL) 734 455 5600



PLYMOUTH - Downtown Plymouth! Charming home is super clean and very up to date Hardwood floors 2 ceiling fans one window air conditioner and first floor laundry Beautiful kitchen and dining room Appliances stay! One year old heated three car garage! \$189 900 (70ROE) 734 455 5600



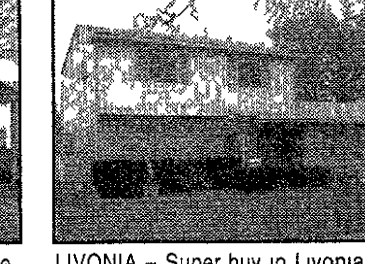
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - You must see this home! Three bedroom brick Ranch with 2 1/2 car garage & part finished basement! Newer furnace & central air updated electric & hot water heater Fresh paint Dining room & hardwood floors under carpet Dearborn schools! \$129 900 (48VIR) 734-455 5600



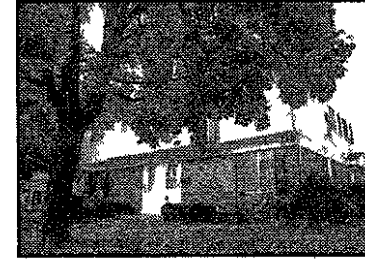
LIVONIA - Welcome home Livonia sub offers 3 bedroom brick Ranch with hardwood floor throughout Newer windows & central air Updated electrical & plumbing Rough in basement with full bath and glass block windows All new trim fenced yard Two car garage \$177 500 (47WES) 248 349 5600



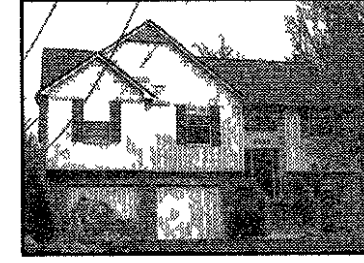
GARDEN CITY - Perfect starter home Two bedroom 1 bath Ranch with dining area laundry room furnace & central air in 1994 Newer entry door & ceiling fans Shed on concrete slab Great way to start the new year in your own home \$91 900 (32BLO) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Super buy in Livonia This spacious 4 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Colonial is neat as a pin Open floor plan that includes country kitchen family room with fireplace formal living room & more Finished basement adds to this wonderful home Attached 2 car garage & so much more \$174 900 (62MER) 248 349 5600



WESTLAND - Cozy wooded complex! Two bedroom Condo - freshly painted with neutral decor One year old Berber carpet thru out Newly remodeled kitchen lighting flooring & bath Custom blinds and appliances stay! \$93 500 (40GRE) 734 455 5600



MILFORD - Step up and take a look! Three bedroom 2 bath newer raised Ranch home! Beautiful hardwood floors in entry great room hall and dining room Freshly painted and newer carpeting Appliances stay! Oak trim throughout and oversized 2 car garage \$214 900 (55MIL) 734 455 5600



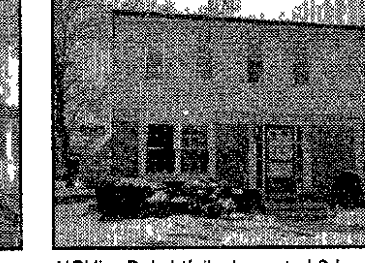
TAYLOR - Move right in! Four bedroom Bungalow Certificate of Occupancy already complete! FHA and VA buyers welcome Newer double hung windows kitchen remodeled in 2001 roof and carpet updated in 2001 \$92 900 (48WED) 734 455 5600



NORTHVILLE - Amenities of downtown Popular Stratford model Three bedroom 2 1/2 bath Condo with kitchen & doorwall off of breakfast room to deck Living room with gas fireplace & cathedral ceiling Formal dining Master with 3 closets Full basement & 2 car garage Northville schools \$310 000 (15SAI) 248 349 5600



FARMINGTON - Absolutely spectacular Custom built Colonial with 4 bedrooms 3 1/2 baths 4 fireplaces 3 car attached garage finished basement On approximately 1 acre lot that's country living in the city Veranda surrounding 3 sides of this wonderful home that was rebuilt in 1996 \$874 000 (05BID) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Delightfully decorated 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath private end unit condo with pizza club Super complex Novi with pool and clubhouse Living room dining room area and family room Lots of updates and a spectacular kitchen with new cabinets floor and counters \$157 900 (47BAS) 248 349 5600

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GRACEFUL ELEGANCE in prestigious Fox Hollow! Dramatic ceilings crown moldings gourmet kit w/granite ceramic & hdwd flrs fin d w/o bsmt security system & numerous amenities (25LAU2)
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BRIGHTON \$699,000
STUNNING 1ST FLOOR MSTR HOME! New construction 3 882 SF plus finished w/o bsmt Exquisite detail! Gourmet kitchen w/granite counters & backsplash Perfection!(31BEA2)
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NORTHVILLE \$509,900
LIKE NEW! Neutral decor gourmet kit cherry cab granite cntrs 2 way FP in GR & brkfst nook 1st fl mstr lib w/cath clngs frml DR 3 BR plus loft 2 5 bths 3 car gar!(H16725)
734-591-9200



PLYMOUTH \$469,900
MAKE IT YOURS! Custom built 4 bdrm 2 5 bath col Home backs to woods & has walk-out Spiral staircase hdwd flrs in kit Newer carpet thru-out Mstr bdrm has trayed ceiling (23Q8872)
734-455-7000



CANTON \$419,900
CHARMING BUCKINGHAM PLACE HOME! 4 lg bdrms 2 staircases 3 car side entry beautiful sunroom court location deep into sub backing to commons Only 7 yrs old & better than new!(W48786)
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CANTON \$419,900
JUST LISTED Golf course front & over 3200 sq ft of luxury Custom features t/o accent this 4 BR Colonial Gourmet island kitchen den w/ fp mstr ste w/sitting rm & more!(C277)
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NORTHVILLE \$399,500
NEW CONSTRUCTION! Neutral & bright Cape Cod 3 BR 2 5 baths custom kitchen w/granite counters and island 1st fl mstr ste w/soaking tub and separate shower (14LOC2)
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NORTHVILLE \$349,900
WONDERFUL HISTORIC NORTHVILLE home features 4 BR 3 full baths huge yard backing to the Rouge River More square footage than it seems!(16ROU2)
248-348-6430



PLYMOUTH \$310,932
ESTHETIC + PRACTICAL! 3 bdrm 2 5 bath home plus den Sits snugly on wooded interior lot in Woodlora Fresh neutral paint carpet & renewed baths (23M9322)
734-455-7000



NORTHVILLE \$304,900
GREAT CURB APPEAL Beautiful cul de sac location on private setting well maintained FR w/vaulted ceiling deck 4 BR 2 5 baths possible 5th BR Over 2300 sq ft!(W42945)
734-591-9200



NORTHFIELD \$299,900
BACKS TO GOLF COURSE! Only 2 yrs old This Cape Cod style home has 4 BR 2 5 baths DR GR natural FP appliances Ready to move in!(99TUR2)
248-348-6430



CANTON \$299,830
TWO ACRES! Five bdrm home w/unlimited potential! Includes one bdrm apt or inlaw/teen suite Canton schools 3 100 sq ft Needs your TLC & decor Many more amenities (23H47830)
734-455-7000



HOWELL \$249,900
ENJOY COUNTRY LIVING with city conveniences in this 1 566 SF Bungalow! 10 plus beautifully wooded acres 3 BR 1 bath full bsmt & 2 car garage Many updates! (05KEL2)
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CLARKSTON \$234,900
EXTRAORDINARY LOT! Beautifully landscaped 1st fl mstr w/skylight & jacuzzi 3 5 baths storage galore! 18 x 30 2 story garage Newer roof siding windows furnace & a/c (23P4420)
734-455-7000



NORTHVILLE \$229,000
LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION! Walk to downtown Northville 4 BR 3 bath Colonial unlimited potential possible 3 unit dwelling or build your dream home 89x142 lot (74WIN2)
248-348-6430



LIVONIA \$224,900
JUST LISTED! Charming Old Rosedale offers this updated Tudor colonial w/all the extras Family rm w/field stone FP finished bsmt 2 5 car garage formal DR & more!(C11021)
734-591-9200



CANTON \$213,424
EXPERIENCE THE GOOD LIFE! Breathtaking view of the beautifully landscaped pond area Too much to list 2 lg BR f/p attd garage Canton location brand new w/many to choose from!(C41525)
734-591-9200



FARMINGTON HILLS \$209,000
CHARMING 3 BR HOME IN OLD HOMESTEAD! Recent updates include siding windows kitchen drive garage door & half bath Large private yard Immediate occupancy!(32HAR2)
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LIVONIA \$189,900
LOCATION, QUALITY, VALUE, & CHARM! Brick quad level 2100 sq ft of living area 4 BR 1 5 baths new kitchen, a/c roof windows & doors 2 5 car garage landscaped & fenced yard (P19680)
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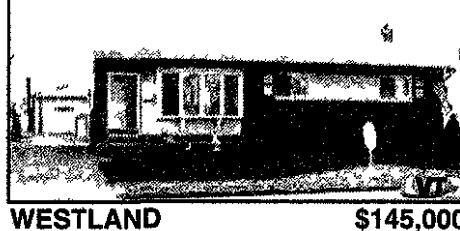
LIVONIA \$179,900
GOLDEN RIDGE SUB All brick home w/ 2 5 car garage central air & furnace done at same time Unfinished basement & vinyl windows roof re shingled early 90's (H922)
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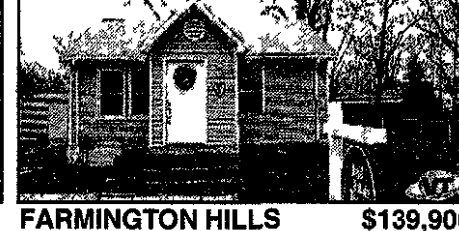
LIVONIA \$169,900
CHARMING 3/4 ACRE COLONIAL in a nice location - updated kitchen bath 3 furnaces over 1500 sq ft 24x26 insulated garage backs to elementary school with gate access (B19610)
734-591-9200



DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$157,500
ART DECO KITCHEN new furnace new electrical privacy fence large living room finished basement with 2nd kitchen for that extended family and 2 car garage in the back lot (N831)
PC 220082 734-326-2000



WESTLAND \$145,000
IRRESISTABLE, SUPER CLEAN! New windows updated kitchen and bath finished bsmt w/1/2 bath 2 car garage neutral decor newer furnace new landscaping w/lights covered patio Mint!(D214)
734-591-9200



FARMINGTON HILLS \$139,900
PICTURE PERFECT! Refurbished inside & out! Ready to move in with all new everything! 2 BR 1 bath workshop can be converted to 2 car garage A must see!(32RO02)
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CANTON \$129,900
HURRY! WON'T LAST! Move in & kick your feet up Everything has been done Great location Very quiet This 2 bdrm condo can be yours Hurry!(23N41356)
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INKSTER \$129,900
EXCELLENT INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY 2 Unit upper/lower has updated kitchen and baths roof windows carpet and more Live in one unit rent the other Wayne/Westland Schools (O292)
PC 220412 734-326-2000



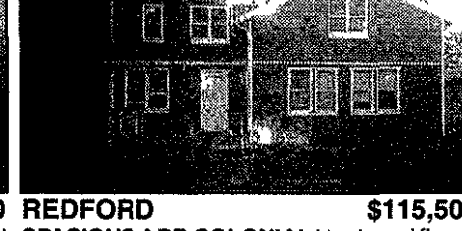
DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$129,900
BEAUTIFUL, WELL LOVED HOME ready for new owners & updates abound Bath with jetted tub newer windows AC in 00 new porch and privacy fenced yard Finished basement w/gas log fireplace (C564)
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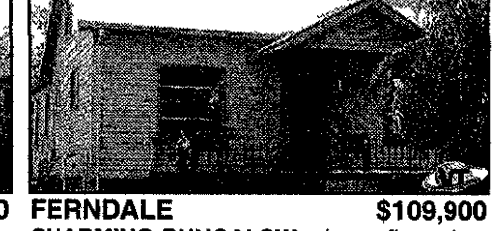
LIVONIA \$122,900
FANTASTIC DEAL on this all brick ranch in Livonia 3 BR 2 full baths FP bsmt & pool Newer roof & windows 1 yr old furnace 4 yr old HWH A great house at a great price!(A19383)
PC 070072 734-591-9200



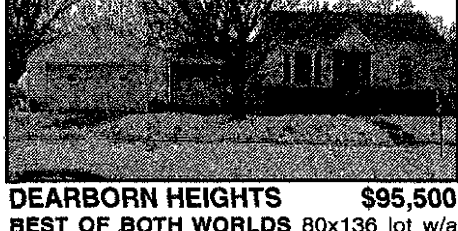
REDFORD \$116,900
GREAT STARTER HOME! 3 BR South Redford colonial features large lot home warranty new driveway c/a & 1 5 baths 1200 sq ft!(F26448)
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REDFORD \$115,500
SPACIOUS 4 BR COLONIAL Hardwood floors open fl plan new roof 2 car garage/workshop some TLC needed Clarenceville schools (S20019)
PC 070462 734-591-9200



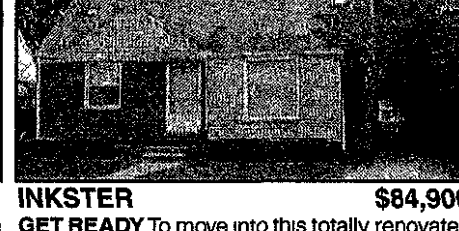
FERNDALE \$109,900
CHARMING BUNGALOW w/open floor plan Great kitchen with beautiful cabinets refinished laundry room with lots of storage Freshly painted in 2001 Motivated sellers!(60GRA2)
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DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$95,500
BEST OF BOTH WORLDS 80x136 lot w/a 15x22 covered patio 2 5 car attached garage w/door opener Newer windows & furnace that is prepped for air Plenty of room to start then expand (C565)
734-326-2000



TAYLOR \$89,900
WONDERFUL STARTER HOME in nice neighborhood! Lots of updates cabinets in kitchen hardwood floors completely updated bathroom w/jacuzzi tub 5 ceiling fans large back yard w/patio (D584)
PC 220042 734-326-2000



INKSTER \$84,900
GET READY! To move into this totally renovated home New kitchen & bath windows throughout including glass block in bsmt new carpet and fresh paint steel entry doors (W262)
PC 220392 734-326-2000



DETROIT \$75,000
LOTS OF NEW STUFF Storm doors and screens glass block in basement windows all flooring kitchen Large living room and master bedroom City inspection ordered (W166)
734-326-2000



WESTLAND \$59,900
HERE IS YOUR START 2 bedroom 1 bath ranch on nice corner lot Central air furnace windows hot water heater all updated for you Make it your own (R319)
734-326-2000

NORTHVILLE
WONDERFUL 2 STORY 3 BR downtown Northville Condo! Open floor plan with GR dining room & library Finished daylight lower level!(10STL2)
\$319,980 248-348-6430

FARMINGTON HILLS
UNIQUE & CHARMING! 3 BR ranch on the blvd This home features lg FR updated kit and baths newer wndws & carpet 2 furnaces LR has natural FP neutral decor 80x360 corner lot (O25535)
\$179,900 PC 070352 734-591-9200

CANTON
BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED RANCH in Holiday Park sub 3 BR 1 5 baths FR w/natural FP covered patio partially finished basement 2 5 car garage Hurry won't last long! (O8224)
\$179,900 734-591-9200

DEARBORN HEIGHTS
MOVE RIGHT INTO THIS SHARP RANCH! Updates incl windows AC & furn 96 patio 98 roof 99, kit counter/interior painting 01 Fin bsmt & 2 car garage! Wonderful area!(82WH12)
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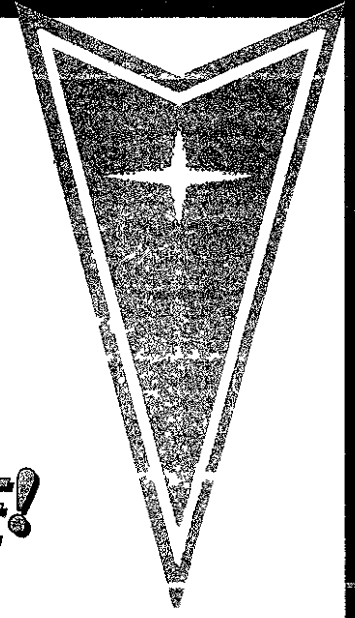
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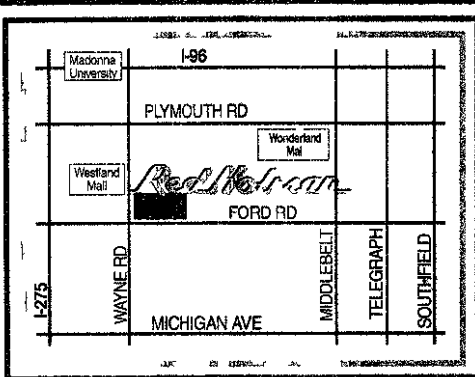
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NEON SPORT 1995 red 4 dr auto 140K miles good cond \$1850 248 928 0327

868 Pontiac

BONNEVILLE SE 1996 loaded \$5000 (248) 473 7614

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FIERO 1984 Show Room Comp 10K miles stock almost new \$6900/best 248 987 1428

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94 Taurus Available

FREE MOONROOF!
Vibrant white ceramic med. graph to cloth bucket auto O/D transmission P215/60R16 a season tires moonroof power much more. **Stk. #21429**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$21,085 **NOW \$15,548***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$278⁶⁵**** \$1500 DOWN **\$238⁷⁷**** per mo.

2002 RANGER 4X2

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

187 Rangers Available

XLT SUPERCAB
Deep Wedgewood Blue C/C med. Dark green graph to cloth XLT trim, 3.0L EFI V-6 eng. 5-spd auto O/D trans 3.73 ratio mtd slip axle appear/flareside regional pkg. f16res da box, pw equip, grp. pw w/lock lock grip remote keyless entry AM/FM stereo/cd/air media. **Stk. #22120**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$21,245 **NOW \$17,660***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$211⁵⁰**** \$1500 DOWN **\$165²⁹**** per mo.

2002 EXPLORER XLS

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

308 Explorers Available

4X2 • 4 DOOR
Black CC graphite cloth capt chrs key standard equip. P235/70R16 A/S OWL tires a/c Free radio case wheels full face steel glass privacy Optional 4.0L SOHC V-6 eng. 5-spd auto O/D trans 3.55 ratio reg axle Michelin tires. **Stk. #22630**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$26,030 **NOW \$19,185***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$284⁶³**** \$1500 DOWN **\$241⁴³**** per mo.

2002 EXPLORER 4x2

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

308 Explorers Available

SPORT
Toreador red CC dark graphite cloth capt chrs order code 100A 4.0L SOHC V-6 eng. 5-spd manual O/D trans 3.73 ratio reg axle convene enco grp. spca control/leather tilt whl puddle lamps remote keyless entry w/keypad cargo shade. **Stk. #21603**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$22,650 **NOW \$15,744***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$306⁸⁹**** \$1500 DOWN **\$260⁶⁸**** per mo.

2002 WINDSTAR

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

112 Windstars Available

SE WAGON
Matador Red CC Med. medium Graphite cloth 38L OHV EFI engine 4 speed auto O/D trans 215/65R16 165SW much more. **Stk. #21936**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$29,415 **NOW \$21,590³⁰***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$335¹¹**** \$1500 DOWN **\$290⁸¹**** per mo.

2002 F-150 XLT

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

166 F-Series Available

4x4 SUPERCAB
Black ceramic med graph to 40/60 sp 1 bench pref equip pkg 507A XLT series overhead console AM/FM stereo/clock/sigle CD air 5.4L EFI V8 eng. elec 4-spd auto O/D 3.55 ratio mtd slip axle reg on a 58R bonus d account 6.500# GVWR pkg sidng rear window 4 disc CD change. **Stk. #22178**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$31,664 **NOW \$21,871⁵⁰***

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$364⁶⁵**** \$1500 DOWN **\$296⁶³**** per mo.

2002 F150 4x2

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

166 F-Series Available

REGULAR CAB
Silver CC dark graphite 40/60 split bench pref equip pkg 507A XLT series overhead console a/c 5 spd O/D trans P255/70R16 OWL A 3.55 ratio mtd slip axle med XLT equip grp. 10.650# GVWR pkg sidng rear window 4 disc CD change. **Stk. #22230**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$22,130 **NOW \$13,688⁵⁰***

A-PLAN 24 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$250⁵⁴**** \$1500 DOWN **\$182⁵²**** per mo.

2002 EXPEDITION

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

38 Expeditions Available

4X2 XLT
Arizona Beige CC metallic med um parchment cloth capt chrs 4.6L EFI V-8 eng. prem elec AM/FM stereo/cass p vacy glass XLT series 4 speed auto trans 3.55 ratio mtd slip axle comfort/conven group 16 cast alum wheels black power heated m rors aux heater/ar P255/70R16 OWL all-terrain lum running boards cloth capt chrs console thrd row seat CD change 6 disc. **Stk. #22967**
Ford Employee or Eligible Family Member

WAS \$33,830 **NOW \$24,366⁸⁰***

A-PLAN 36 MO. LEASE RENEWAL **ZERO DOWN \$369⁸¹**** \$1500 DOWN **\$324²⁵**** per mo.

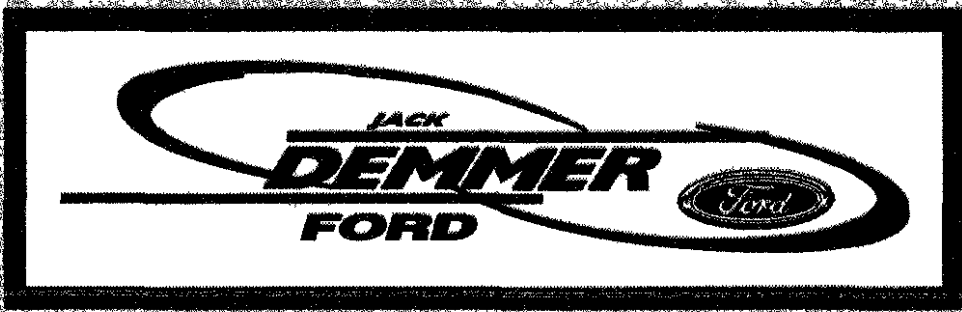
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WINDSTAR	0 Down \$1500	\$594 \$2127
EXPLORER XLS	0 Down \$1500	\$501 \$2045
F150 4X4	0 Down \$1500	\$616 \$2133
TAURUS	0 Down \$1500	\$465 \$2006
EXPEDITION	0 Down \$1500	\$621 \$2162
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2002 FIREBIRD

Air 5-speed manual trans 3.8 V-6 engine power windows & locks tilt, cruise AM/FM stereo w/CD aluminum wheels. **Stk. #020113**

SALE PRICE \$16,595* **GM SALE PRICE \$15,861***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$259**
Due at Lease Signing \$1753*

2002 GRAND AM GT

Power moonroof, air, auto. trans., 3.4 V-6 engine, power windows, locks, mirrors, tilt, cruise, AM/FM CD-cassette, chrome wheels, remote keyless entry. **Stk. #020347**

SALE PRICE \$18,495* **GM SALE PRICE \$17,693***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$259**
Due at Lease Signing \$1753*

2002 GRAND PRIX SE SEDAN

Air 4 speed auto trans tilt power windows & locks AM/FM cassette 3.1 V-6 engine. **Stk. #020162**

SALE PRICE \$17,795* **GM SALE PRICE \$17,046***

48 Mo. Smart Lease \$249**
Due at Lease Signing \$1749*

2002 AZTEK

Air, auto. trans., power windows & locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM stereo w/CD, remote keyless entry. **Stk. #020488**

SALE PRICE \$17,895* **GM SALE PRICE \$17,108***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$299**
Due at Lease Signing \$2124*

2002 BONNEVILLE SE

3.8 V-6 engine 4 speed auto. trans. air power windows & locks tilt cruise AM/FM stereo CD. **Stk. #020420**

SALE PRICE \$21,995* **GM SALE PRICE \$21,264***

48 Mo. Smart Lease \$289**
Due at Lease Signing \$1789*

2002 LESABRE CUSTOM

Automatic, air, tilt, cruise, power windows & locks, power seat, 360L V-6 rear defogger & much more. **Stk. #1910**

SALE PRICE \$20,361* **GM SALE PRICE \$21,340***

2002 PARK AVENUE

1SE package loaded including auto air heated seats, leather On-Star system AM/FM CD & cassette gauges rear defogger keyless entry & memory seats. **Stk. #023287** **WAS \$36,327**

SALE PRICE \$29,779* **GM SALE PRICE \$31,199***

2002 CENTURY CUSTOM

V-6 engine, automatic, air, tilt, power windows, power locks, rear defogger & much more. **Stk. #023084**

SALE PRICE \$17,299* **GM SALE PRICE \$16,560***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$299**
Due at Lease Signing \$2155*

2002 REGAL LS

Auto. trans. power windows & locks tilt cruise AM/FM CD power seat keyless entry rear defogger 3800 V-6 engine & much more. **Stk. #023253**

SALE PRICE \$19,999* **GM SALE PRICE \$19,167***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$314**
Due at Lease Signing \$2203*

2002 RENDEZVOUS CX

V-6 engine, automatic, air, power windows & locks, tilt, cruise, AM/FM CD, keyless entry and much more. **Stk. #023261**

SALE PRICE \$21,494* **GM SALE PRICE \$20,491***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$273**
Due at Lease Signing \$2189*

2002 SONOMA PICKUP

Vortec 2200 4 cylinder engine manual trans air tilt cruise alum wheels deep tint glass, AM/FM CD player. **Stk. #22105**

SALE PRICE \$12,199* **GM SALE PRICE \$11,598***

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2001 SIERRA 1 TON 4X4 DUALY EXT. CAB

Vortec 6000 V-8 engine, auto trans., air, tilt, cruise, locking diff., snow plow prep pkg., power windows, lock mirrors, seats, HD trailer pkg. & much more. **Stk. #013144**

SALE PRICE \$28,595* **GM SALE PRICE \$26,595***

PLUS 5.9% APR FINANCING!

2002 YUKON

4 wheel drive Vortec 4800 V-8 engine air auto trans power windows locks mirrors tilt cruise AM/FM & CD player and much more. **Stk. #22357**

SALE PRICE \$30,719* **GM SALE PRICE \$29,274***

36 Mo. Smart Lease \$439**
Due at Lease Signing \$2414*

2001 SAVANA CARGO VAN

VORTEC 5000 V-6 engine, air, 4 speed auto trans, side & rear cargo door glass and much more. **Stk. #13234**

SALE PRICE \$18,495* **GM SALE PRICE \$16,995***

PLUS 5.9% APR FINANCING!

2002 ENVOY

Vortec 4200 engine auto trans dual zone A/C power windows, locks mirrors & seat, tilt & cruise traction assist, keyless entry AM/FM CD player two-wheel drive & much more! **Stk. #22239**

SALE PRICE \$26,995* **GM SALE PRICE \$25,889***

35 Mo. Smart Lease \$395**
Due at Lease Signing \$2320*

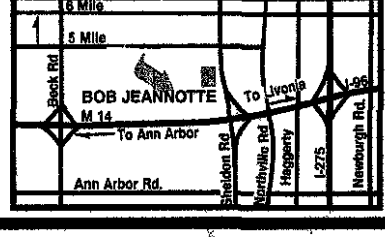
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