

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY

City meets: *The Plymouth City Commission meets in a regular session at 7 p.m. in the commission chambers at City Hall.*

TUESDAY

Estate planning: *A 1 p.m. seminar at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, stresses the importance of estate planning and outlines various alternatives available. Call (734) 451-6405 for further information.*

WEDNESDAY

Canton spikers: *The Canton High School varsity and junior varsity girls volleyball teams are in action against Westland John Glenn at the Canton gym. The junior varsity takes the court at 5:30 p.m. and the varsity game is at 7 p.m.*

FRIDAY

Whaler watching: *The Plymouth Whalers face off at 7:30 p.m. against Oshawa in an Ontario Hockey League game at Compuware Arena, on M-14 north of Beck Road.*

NEXT WEEKEND

We love Barbie: *Barbie and Friends Fashion Doll Show returns Sunday to the Plymouth VFW Hall at 1426 S. Mill. Show hours are 11 a.m.-3 p.m.*

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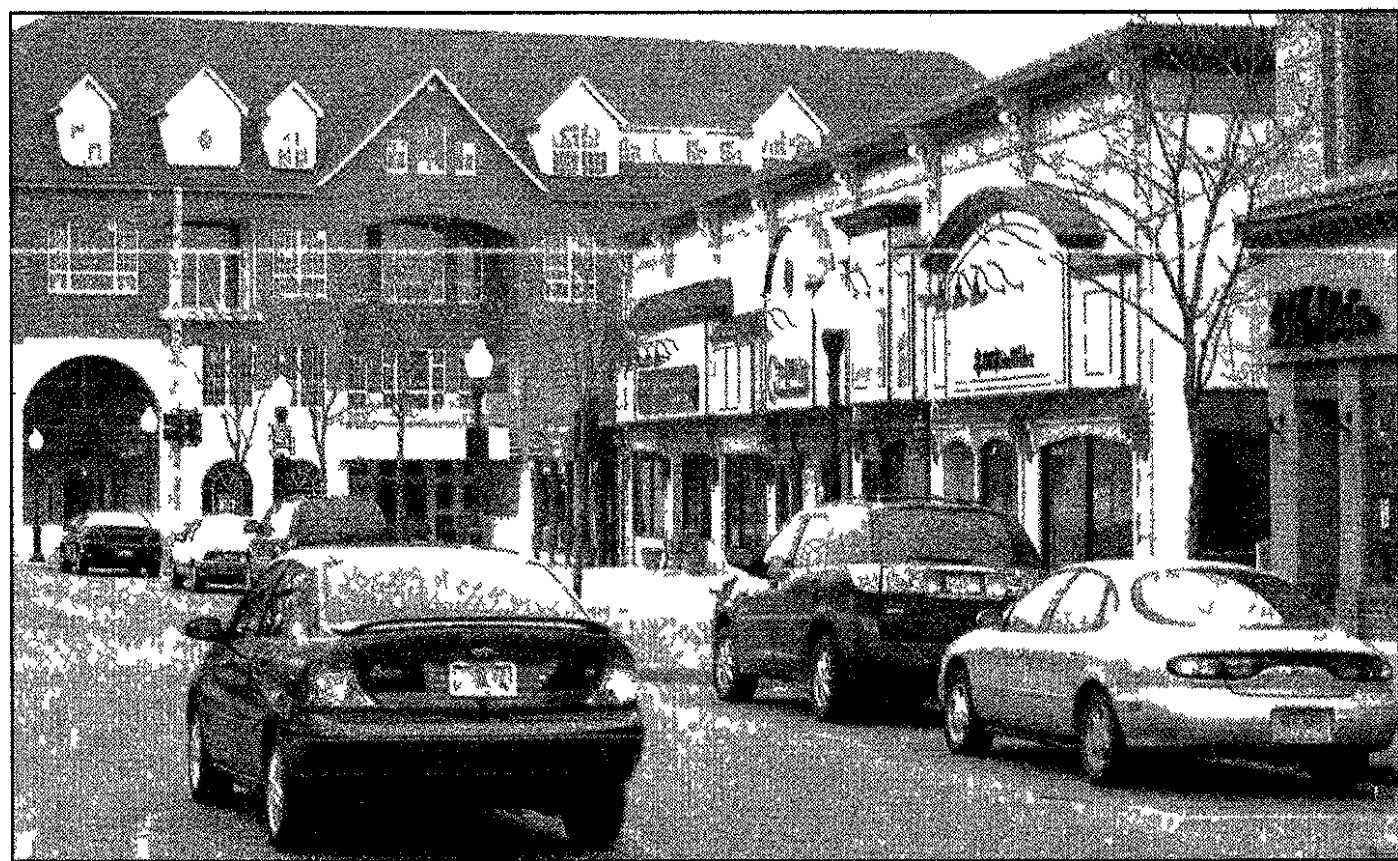
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Necessary means: *A good mix of residential and commercial development, like the Mayflower Center project in the background, helps keep the City of Plymouth a vibrant concern*

Going commercial

Development can affect taxes, improve lifestyles

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The next time you complain about commercial development encroaching on your residential lifestyle, ask yourself a few questions



How high would your property taxes skyrocket or how low would your municipal/public school services sink if not for retail, office or industrial tax contributions? How far would you have to go to shop, enjoy a restaurant or see a movie on the big screen? Where would you work to support body and soul, and where would your teen find that first job? It's human nature to gripe

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Development a reality, even in built-out Plymouth

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Residents who don't care much for commercial development might think they're getting a break because the Plymouth community is about built out. They'd be wrong. Despite a scarcity of property available in both the city and township, there's plenty of commercial development going on in both. "It's more re-development of existing property," city manager Paul Sincok said. "You're seeing that a lot along the Ann Arbor Road corridor, in the downtown area, Old Village Look at the Box Bar renovation, Compari's and E G Nicks coming in, the piano bar

Please see **PLYMOUTH, A5**

Former principal settles with P-C district

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Former Pioneer Middle School Principal Tom Owens, who has been suspended with pay since being charged with indecent exposure last August, will be back at work Monday. However, a settlement with the Board of Education will make Owens a consultant to the district until June 30, at which time he will be able to participate in the buyout package for administrators. Trustees approved the agreement with Owens at their Jan 22 meeting. However, the deal wasn't final until Thursday, as Owens had seven business days to reconsider it. "Tom will be back Monday as an educational consultant at the E J McClendon Educational Center to work on several Educational Services Department special projects through June 30," said Judy Evola, director of communications. "As of June 30, he will be able to participate in the administrator's buyout package and retire from the district." Unlike nine other administrators who are receiving a \$60,000 payout over eight years, Evola said Owens will receive what is termed a "net present value" lump sum payment of \$42,500 as part of the agreement. Owens, principal at Pioneer for five years, was arrested Aug 15 for reportedly exposing himself to an undercover Wayne County sheriff's deputy. According to a sheriff's spokeswoman,

Please see **OWENS, A3**



Out from under: Cheryl Johnson digs out in front of her home on Pacific Street in Plymouth Thursday. She said she had the wrong shovel for digging but her husband, Keith, had the snow shovel and had been out since midnight plowing snow

Ice, snow accompany season's 1st real storm

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Old Man Winter reared its ugly side this week, causing havoc for the Plymouth Community Fire Department, Plymouth's Municipal Services Department and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. "For the 24-hour shift which began 8 a.m. Thursday through Friday morning we had 60 runs, with about 50 of those because of electrical wires down as a result of the ice," said Fire Chief Larry Groth. "Every rig on the road was with a downed wire caused by a tree branch snapping it, or the wire itself collapsing under the weight of the ice. Fortunately, we didn't have any structure fires as a result of the



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Ice age: Ice was forming in the area because of the snow changing to rain

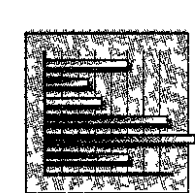
downed wires." To put the number of runs in perspective, Groth said during an average 24-hour period the fire department

responds to about a dozen calls. Off-duty firemen had to be called in to help the fire fighters on duty because of the ice storm. Power problems forced Plymouth-Canton schools to close two schools Friday. East Middle School sent students home shortly after 8 a.m. when a downed power line fell on a chain link fence. "It was a precarious situation, but as always, the safety of our students was the top priority," said Judy Evola, director of communications. "We were telling parents who drove their children to school to take them back home. Students already at the school were either picked up by a parent or trans-

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Purcell packs for new job in Flint

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Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority is looking for a new director. Melanie Purcell has announced she's leaving the City of Homes, with a population of 125,000

Her employment contract with the Plymouth DDA expires March 17, at which time she will officially step down. Purcell, who this week gave birth to her third child, will be working part-time through mid-March.

"I'm proud of the accomplishments of the DDA over my tenure," said Purcell in her resignation letter to DDA chairman Timothy McKehercher. "I am also pleased that, with the careful planning of the past six months, the DDA and the Downtown Business Association (DBA) are both poised to successfully undertake any direction they should choose."

Purcell was hired by the DDA three years ago at an annual salary of \$50,000. She leaves earning \$62,000. Purcell declined comment on how much she will make in Flint, other than to say "substantially more" than what she earns in Plymouth.

Purcell said when she took over as DDA director, she knew the organization needed a capital improvement plan to move downtown forward.

"There is a plan and a capital improvement fund, the DDA is setting goals and more businesses than ever before are involved," she said. "Plymouth's downtown is in better shape than many because of the commitment of the downtown businesses."

Jon Gary, vice-chair of the DDA, said

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Salem High School is site for cultural 'Respect' seminar

The Plymouth-Canton Community School District is hosting the "Respecting Others" New Hope Mentoring and Modeling Symposium, Thursday, Feb 7 at 3 p.m. and again at 4:15 p.m., at the Salem High School Cafeteria.

The purpose of this multi-cultural symposium is to help to identify racial and cultural actions and statements that my unintentionally hurt or offend others. High school students, Plymouth-Canton staff and community members are invited to this event to share insight.

According to Deputy Superintendent Jim Ryan, the symposium will assist in continuing the open dialogue that began with the district's Dr. Martin Luther King professional development day.

"We plan to give students, staff and community members the opportunity to share, listen to one another and to create opportunities to work together with an understanding of our ethnic and cultural differences," Ryan said.

Additional goals of the event include:

- Identify racial/cultural actions and statements that may unintentionally hurt or offend others
- Identify multi-cultural issues and topics that will become substance for MAM's five-part Seminar Series and People's Champion Chronicle
- Identify capacity and capability for "all inclusive" communities in our schools, churches and cities

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PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

New Morning open house

New Morning School in Plymouth hosts a student museum/open house from 2-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb 10. New family discussions will occur at 3:30 that day. Teachers and parents will be on hand to answer questions and share experiences.

New Morning is a state-licensed and certified parent cooperative school covering preschool through eighth grade. Interested people can call the school at (734) 420-3331 or e-mail to nmornschool224298MI@comcast.net. For more information, visit the school's Web site at www.newmorningschool.org.

Coffee with Rivers

U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers, (D-Ann Arbor), has scheduled coffee hours in Plymouth Saturday Feb 9. Rivers will meet constituents at the Plymouth Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman, from 1-2:30 p.m. For directions or further information, call Deborah Johnson at Rivers' district office in Ypsilanti, (734) 485-3741.

Tea party

The American Cancer Society Discovery Shops, including the one in Plymouth, host a Mad Hatter's Tea Party from Thursday, Feb 21 through Saturday, Feb 23. The party is an annual sales event featuring antique hats, tea sets, teapots and other tea party accessories donated by generous and supportive local residents interested in helping further the fight against cancer. Preparation for the annual event are under way, and donations are still needed. All donations are tax deductible and proceeds from this event help to fund cancer research and local programs and services of the American Cancer Society. The Discovery Shop in Plymouth is located at 975 W. Ann Arbor Trail. For details or to arrange for donations, call (734) 451-0745.

Arts dinner

The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents its "Denim and Diamonds" dinner, scheduled from 5:30 p.m. - midnight March 2 at St. John's Conference Center. The dinner features live and silent auctions, with music and dancing. Tickets cost \$65 per person for PCAC members, \$75 for others. Recommended dress ranges from western to formal wear, from rhinestones to diamonds. Tickets are available by calling (734) 416-4278.

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- BLACK HAWK DOWN (R) (SUN 10:40) 1:20 4:00 6:50 9:40
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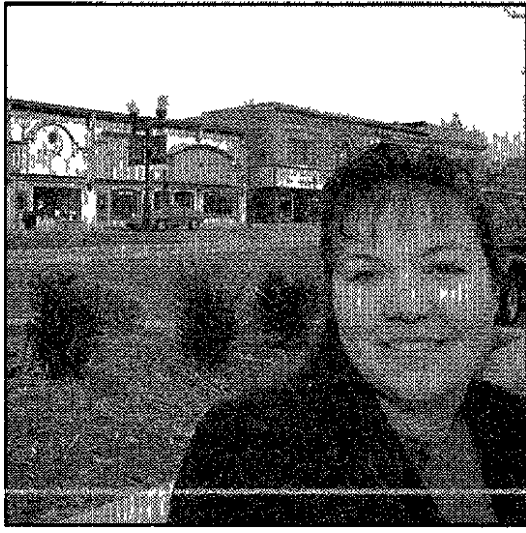
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Purcell *from page A1*

Purcell "brought a new direction to the DDA and organized us to consider long-term goals, of which our biggest is downtown parking. Melanie put together one, three and five-year plans for repairing the current parking deck, which have been presented to the city commission."



Fond farewell: Melanie Purcell is leaving as director of Plymouth's Downtown Development Authority after three years on the job.

According to Purcell, "The city commission, the DDA and the downtown business owners need to work together to decide what they want next for downtown, which is poised to go forward and be successful."

The future could include a transformation in job description for the position Purcell is vacating. There are some city commissioners who would like to see a change in the DDA director's duties.

"My personal preference is to make the position into an assistant city manager/DDA director position," said Commissioner Michele Potter. "The person in that position could help (City Manager) Paul Sincock with city functions and also use half the time to fulfill duties of the DDA director." "It would allow for the city

commission and DDA board to have a person involved in both arenas, which would help in the communication between both," said Potter.

Potter said the salary would then be divided between the DDA and the city.

Gary said that while the DDA is autonomous, he wants to work with the commission to do what's in the best interest of the city and downtown.

"We need to talk about how that would fit into our mission of maintaining a viable downtown district," said Gary. "I would like to see the DDA office remain visible in the downtown area."

Storm *from page A1*

ported home on a bus."

A power outage in the southwest portion of Plymouth also forced the closing of Smith Elementary Friday morning.

Meanwhile, a night after plowing more than six inches of snow, Department of Municipal Services crews were working Thursday night and Friday morning clearing roads, storm catch basins and trees.

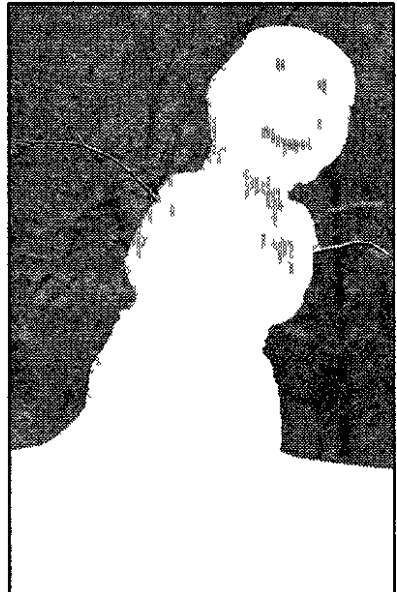
Crews reported trees or power lines blocking traffic on Simpson, west of Harvey, Penniman near Church, Auburn near Blanche, and Union, south of Penniman.

"We would definitely rather deal with the snow than the ice, which poses additional problems and hazards," said City Manager Paul Sincock.



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Busy, busy: City snowplows were out in full force on Thursday, trying to clear away the effects of the season's first heavy snowfall. Below, left. This snowman appeared to be bowing and smiling to motorists along Hines drive Thursday.



Owens *from page A1*

Owens was sitting on a picnic table in the Levan Knoll area of Hines Park in Livonia, flagged down the undercover deputy had a conversation with the officer and then walked into a wooded area and exposed himself.

Owens has never commented publicly on the incident.

His attorney, John Allen of Detroit, admitted Owens walked into the woods. However, he denied the principal went with the officer and exposed himself.

"It was Tom's hope to devote many more years to a career that he has loved and dedicated

himself to for nearly 25 years," said Allen. "Unfortunately, there were members of the Board of Education and Central Office Administration who did not want him to continue as an employee of the district. Without their support, it would have been impossible for him to function effectively in his former position. Tom has served the district with distinction. His departure is regrettable."

Owens said he received support from many throughout the Plymouth-Canton school district. "I thank my building-level col-

leagues and the many parents, teachers and students who have contacted me during the last few months with words of encouragement and support," said Owens.

"It meant a great deal to me. Their good wishes for me will be my memory of the Plymouth-Canton School District."

Philip Freeman will continue as acting principal at Pioneer. Jury selection in Owens' case is slated for Feb. 26 in front of Livonia 16th District Court Judge Kathleen McCann.

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Commercial from page A1

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Even in Birmingham, generally regarded as a great place to live with a quaint downtown, commercial accounted for 22 percent of the property tax base

Couple that with non-home-owners usually paying at a higher tax rate and commercial has quite an economic impact. One that eludes a lot of people, assessors say

"I think probably the average resident doesn't think about it," said Sherron Schultz, Livonia assessor. "They're not thinking in a store, 'If this store weren't here, my taxes would be higher'"

But it's true, said Barry Simon, Southfield assessor. "If

they (homeowners) want to maintain the same services, they would have to pay more taxes if commercial were less," he said

Nino Lucara, Troy assessor, is blunt about the impact of commercial in his city. "Non-residential is paying half the freight and generally not using half the services," he said

Jim Elrod, Westland assessor, succinctly outlines the nuts-and-bolts of the issue

"If you don't have a strong commercial or industrial base in the community, residents are basically carrying the load," he said. "It's a trade-off. People say they don't want it (commercial development) in their back yard. That's where proper zoning and planning come into play"

Specialty shopping and dining opportunities help establish a point-of-hometown pride for municipalities, especially those that try to build a local economy around special events

Places like the city of Plymouth, only 2.3 square miles with a population of about 10,000

Thousands of out-of-towners annually flock to the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, Fall Festival and Art in the Park

"We do about 130 special events a year here," said Paul Simcock, city manager and a lifelong Plymouth resident. "People aren't coming down just for the event. They're coming for restaurants, shops and the rest of the commercial sector"

It all ties into a quality of life issue, he added

The employment factor also can loom large when analyzing commercial development

Some 78,820 permanent jobs were reported in Farmington Hills, 29,460 in Rochester Hills and 26,880 in Canton during 2000, according to most recent figures provided by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, a planning and data tracking service

So how are commercial real estate markets doing here?

Several experts gave their regional spin during a recent trends and forecast seminar

sponsored by several real estate/property management firms

Nate Forbes, president, Forbes-Cohen Properties, on retail

"The holiday season was better than expected for most retailers. More people stayed home and did a lot of their buying, spending"

"I think the market is pretty healthy. I see fallout in the first quarter that will need absorption. New development will be very conservative the first half of this year"

"Location, creditworthiness of tenants and points of difference in product will be key to success in 2002"

Jim Ketai, vice president, Etkin Equities, on office

"Office has been hit pretty hard. Rents have flattened out and dropped. Incentives have increased. It's much more challenging to be a landlord now"

"Vacancies obviously have increased. Occupancy was gradually dropping during 2001. Sept 11 made it that much worse. The overall vacancy rate now is 12-13 percent. A healthy rate? Optimal, 5 percent. I'd say Farmington Hills - 12



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Services rendered: Ann Arbor Road, looking west from near Lilley, features many of the services residents expect in their home towns.

Mile - and the I-275 corridor are hit the hardest now. Troy is probably still strongest"

Roy Annett, senior vice president, DeMatia Group, on industrial

"Geographic expansion is slowing as tenants stay closer to home. Overall vacancy rate at year end was 10.5 percent, up 2 percentage points for the year," he said

Annett attributed the increase to more space coming on line and

tenants cutting back. The suburban Detroit industrial market consists of some 340 million square feet, he said

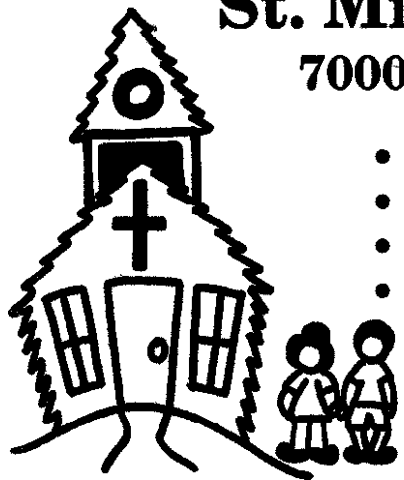
"Vacancy ranged from 3 percent in Auburn Hills to 20 percent in Romulus and VanBuren," Annett said

"Incentives are making their way back into negotiations," he added. Annett's general conclusion?

"Growing vacancies, but moving forward conservatively with limited speculative development"

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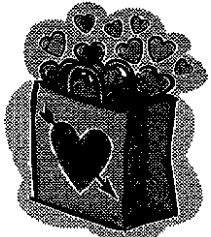
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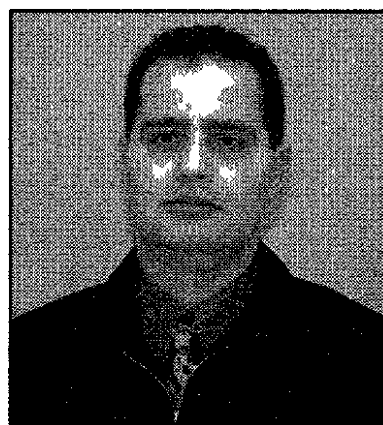
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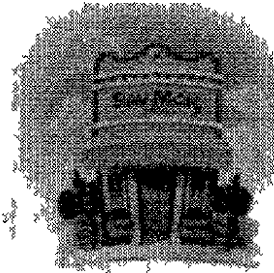
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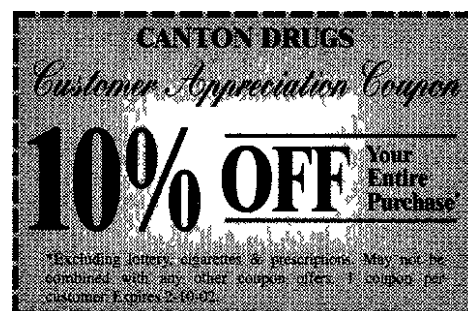
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*Paul Sincock
city manager*

It's like that all over Plymouth Township only has a couple of major developable parcels left — Don Massey owns one along Ann Arbor Road, and another is the former Detroit House of Corrections property in the northwest corner of the township — but there's plenty of re-development going on

For instance, the strip mall at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Road, anchored by CVS, is beginning to see life A tobacco store has moved in, and a nail salon is on the way Some of those properties have been vacant for up to three years, according to Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann

"We're seeing a light at the end of the tunnel there," Mann said "Some have been vacant a year or two some have been empty for three years Now they've got new tenants coming in"

The City of Detroit owns the former DeHoCo property in the township's northwest corner, and just sold it to one of the state's biggest industrial developers When the new owners develop that property, most likely as an industrial development of some sort, more commercial development is sure to follow

But it's also necessary, according to Mann

"I would suspect in that area they'll come up with some commercial requests as well, to service those areas, and the residents of our township and Northville," Mann said "Whether it's restaurants, groceries or gas stations, we're lacking those services in that far northwest corner anyway"

"As that area develops, there'll be more of a demand for those services in that area"

Though residents like to complain about commercial development — "It's something we all need, but don't want to live right next door to," Mann said — it's a necessary evil to a thriving com-

munity Commercial development helps lift the tax load from the taxpayer, and also helps add to the "hometown feeling" towns like Plymouth favor

With the right development, residents don't have to look elsewhere for services, entertainment, etc

"As a resident, I only live two blocks from downtown," said Sincock, who has worked for the city for more than 20 years "If there are things going on downtown, you don't have to go anywhere It's good to have a mix (of residential/commercial), because it provides a sense of community that's real important"

That mix is important to any community, according to Mann Residents expect certain services to be available — grocery shopping, gas stations, recreation — and they expect the township to provide certain services

If they don't find them in their own town, obviously, they have to look somewhere else

Mann's opinion

"The more your community has to offer, not only in commercial services but professional services, recreation and so forth, the more desirable your community is," Mann said "You have to provide a certain mix, or you risk your residents having to travel further, most likely into another community"

"Once they're traveling there, they might start looking at that community as a home community, and we certainly don't want that"

The city isn't likely to see any new development, other than the Mayflower project (to be completed later this year) and the Wilcox development But re-development — new businesses getting an opportunity in existing locations — could be prevalent

"We don't have the space (for

new development), and I don't see us expanding the commercial area," Sincock said "We might have some linkage, to Old Village or the Ann Arbor Road corridor, but you already have that in place You already have commercial development along Main Street from Old Village throughout downtown to Ann Arbor Road"

Metro West

Mann thinks there are still possibilities for commercial development in the township Noting that many businesses are maintaining their base and expanding Metro West is opening Phase 7, there's going to be a new industrial park on Plymouth Road near I-275, and the DeHoCo property will most likely be industrial

That solid industrial/commercial base helps keep taxes down in the township, the supervisor pointed out The commercial/industrial properties are generally at a much-higher taxable value than residential, so they're paying higher taxes, not to mention personal property taxes on equipment and stock in those buildings

"Obviously, from a residential standpoint, people don't pay taxes to the township for their furniture and so forth," Mann said "With commercial/industrial, they do, thus giving the tax base a boost and cutting down on the pressure on the taxpayers to foot the whole bill"

Still, Mann acknowledges township officials have to plan carefully to do it right

"We have to make sure we're careful, that we blend the land uses, and have a nice transition between the residential and the commercial," he said "If they're not planned carefully, they're not resident-friendly We need to make that transition as nice as we can"

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ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

■ This seminar stresses the importance of estate planning and outlines various alternatives available. This seminar will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb 5. Call (734) 451-6405 for further information.

FISH FRY/ALL YOU CAN EAT PASTA

■ Begins Feb 8 at Fox Hills Classic Clubhouse. Hours are 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. Price is \$8.75 per person. For additional information call (734) 453-7272.

ROLLER SKATING CLASSES

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TAI CHI CLASSES

■ New beginner Tai Chi classes starting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb 5 at 38121 Ann Arbor Rd., Livonia. Continuing classes in Bloomfield Hills. Day classes for seniors available at the Livonia location. Observers welcome. Visit our Web site at www.taist.org. For more information, call (248) 332-1281.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT

■ Being held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Social Hall, 47650

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FASHION DOLL SHOW

■ "We Love Barbie" Barbie and Friends Fashion Doll Show returns Sunday, Feb 10 to the Plymouth VFW Hall located at 1426 S Mill. Show hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is \$5. Kids under 10 admitted free. For information, call (734) 455-2110.

ART SPRING WORKSHOPS

■ The Ann Arbor Art Center will be offering week long spring break workshops for children aged 6-12 beginning Feb 25 to April 1. These will be held in week-long, half day sessions. Children can register for morning sessions from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., or afternoon sessions, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$85 for members and \$95 for non members. Call (734) 994-8004 x101 to register or for further information.

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DINNER DANCE/AUCTION

■ Denim and Diamonds is the theme of the PCAC annual dinner dance and auction to be held Saturday, March 2 at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth. Call the Arts Council

at (734) 416-4276 for further information.

RECREATION REGISTRATION

■ The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages. Classes include gymnastics, dance, core body exercise, tots jump-a-rama, taekwon-do, personal development, aerobics, clogging, senior trips and programs and much more. Call (734) 455-6620 for more information.

FALL ART EXHIBITION

■ The Ann Arbor Women Artists announce their Fall Exhibition at the University of Michigan Hospital Galleries, Taubman Medical Center at 1500 East Medical Center Drive in Ann Arbor. The exhibition runs through Feb 16. The exhibition was juried by Ted Ramsey, Professor of Art, U-of-M School of Art and Design.

ART CLASSES

■ D&M Studios, in cooperation with the city of Plymouth Recreation Department, will hold painting and drawing classes for senior citizens from 9 a.m. to noon Thursdays for the painting and 1 - 3 p.m. for drawing and open studio. Both classes will be at the D&M Studios in Canton, and the fee is \$2.

CLUBS

NORTHVILLE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

■ The meeting will be at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb 10 at the Northville District Library. Carolyn Griffin, author of four family history books, will speak on "Organizing Your Genealogical Records." For more information call (734) 878-0361.

NACW

■ The meeting of National Association of Career Women meets at 11:45 a.m. Feb 12 at Ernestos in Plymouth. Cost is \$18 for members/\$22 for non-members. The topic will be "Identify theft what you need to know." RSVP to Brenda Durling at (734) 462-4670.

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■ Plymouth Library offers a free monthly Family Astronomy Discussion Group from 7-8 p.m. for both individuals and families with children 6 years and older. Door prizes, slides, video and handouts. Call Mike Best at (734) 459-2378.

MOMS CLUB

■ Western Wayne County stay-at-home mothers may meet at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of each month. The group offers play groups, activities, outings and community service opportunities. Call Wendy Paulot, (734) 398-6957.

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COMMUNITY DEMOCRATS

■ The Community Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month at UAW Local 845 Hall. Business meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. The club serves Canton, Northville, Plymouth and the Livonia 13th District. For further information, call Becky Tavarozzi (734) 398-5845.

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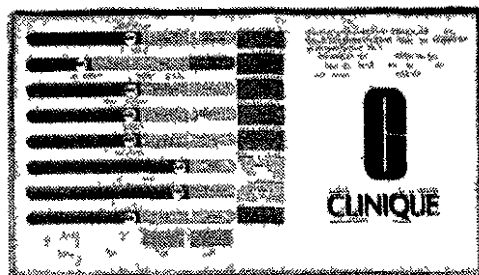
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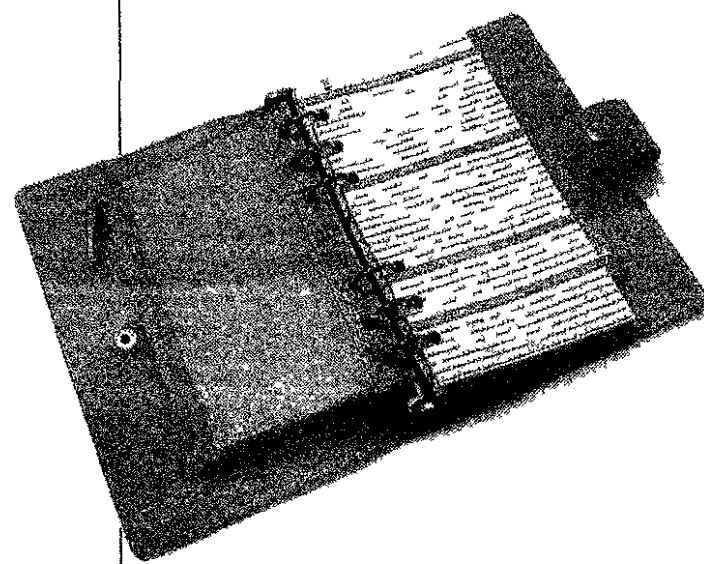
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Odds & ends: Check out the 'odd' bins

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Treasure-hunt items One or two bottles of some wine for which there is no longer shelf space This column is like that A few treasure ideas we'd like to share

Quite a Match!

Varying by region and like a play with many acts, Italian dishes represent a wealth of different styles In the north where cows can graze, dishes are made with butter Southern dishes use olive oil because it's too hot for cattle When you stop to think about it, Indian cuisine is similar

Quickly, now, what's Italy's best known wine? You said Chianti, didn't you? There's hardly an Italian dish that doesn't harmonize with Chianti

So, why wouldn't a Chianti offer similar pleasures with Indian cuisine? In fact, it does!

Actually, we hadn't considered Indian cuisine as a match with Chianti until Amit Makhecha, owner/partner of Rangoli Indian Cuisine on East Walton Blvd, Auburn Hills, suggested it Rangoli recently acquired a liquor license and has created a short but savvy wine list to match the restaurant's Indian dishes The favorite wine? Badia a Coltibuono Chianti Classico It's sensational with both vegetarian and lamb dishes Give it a try

Getting zapped

Each year at the end of January, there's a ZAP (Zinfandel Advocates and Producers) tasting in San Francisco Statistics over ten years indicate the rising popularity of zinfandel In 1992, only 22 wineries poured their zinfandels By 2001, the number jumped to 255 wineries Last weekend, 287 wineries poured their 2000 vintage barrel samples and current releases at the tasting Zin is in!

Shiraz popularity soars

According to *Wine Market Report*, a California-based trade publication, the percent share of Australian wine exports has soared in the 12 months ending December 2001 The U.S., importing 26 percent of total Australian wine production, trails only the United Kingdom at 43 percent This represents a 31-percent increase in volume imports for the U.S., and 22 percent for the U.K. Since 1996, Australian wine exports to other countries have experienced double digit percentage increases These are wines that English-speaking tongues (palates) really like! In addition to some delicious wines, the understandable labels and sensible pricing add to their popularity

Searching for Bordeaux

An article in the *Wall Street Journal* last August indicated that Costco devotes 25 percent of its merchandise to what it calls treasure-hunt items

As the largest buyer of Bordeaux wines in the U.S., Costco indicated that its wine buyer prides himself on finding up-and-coming premium wines before they hit the *Wine Spectator* magazine We can't vouch for that, but when it comes to Bordeaux

Please see **FOCUS, B2**

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Shared success: Marilyn Rice, left and Pam Salba, owners of Sunshine Treats in Farmington, specialize in muffins and currently are celebrating 13 years in business They make seven flavors of Hummies

Sweet 13

Owners of Sunshine Treats celebrate 'Bar Mitzvah'

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February is the month to devour sweets Sugary, jelly jammed Polish paczki dough nuts (pronounced poonch-keys) are eaten on the days before Lent, which begins Feb. 13 this year

And Jews indulge in buttery cookie-like Humantashens (also spelled Hamantaschen) — or Hummies — topped with fruit, including prune, and poppy seeds, in honor of Purim, a one-day celebration that begins this year on the evening of Feb. 25

Perhaps no one loves baking the Hummies more than two business-savvy, but fun, women who own Sunshine Treats bakery in Farmington Hills

"We're celebrating our Bar Mitzvah," co-owner Marilyn Rice said with a laugh

"Yep. Thirteen years in business together," founder and co-owner Pam Salba added "A perfect time to celebrate With Purim and Humantashens, it's a happy time of year"

You've probably had their Hummies, muffins or cakes and not even realized it Sunshine Bakery has a small retail storefront bakery that's open to the public, but most of its business is wholesale The popular desserts are sold at Hiller's market, Marshall Fields, Kroger, Farmer Jack, Westborn, and local independent coffeehouses

"Our recipes are family recipes," Salba said "I started out making my grandmother's muffins in a small space that I rented"

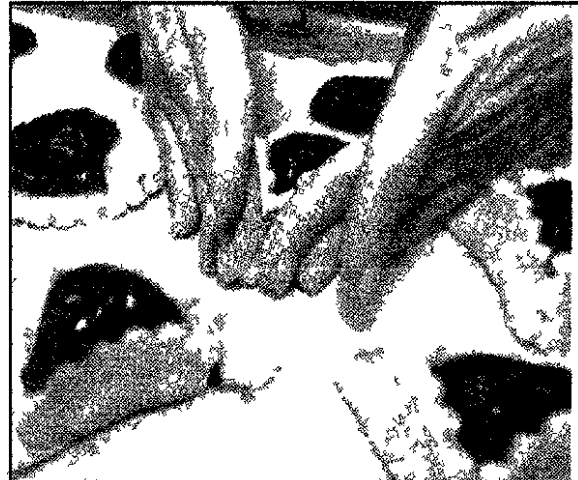
Co-owners Salba, of Farmington Hills, and Rice, of West Bloomfield, are also best friends whose friendship started 13 years ago too

But first, let's talk about Hummies

Sweets for happy times

At Sunshine Treats five Hummie flavors are sold year-round Apple, cherry, raspberry,

HUMANTASHEN (HUMMIES)
<i>Courtesy of Sunshine Treats (the taste and consistency is similar to a basic sugar cookie)</i>
1/2 pound butter
1 1/2 cup sugar
2 whole eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon lemon juice
2 teaspoons milk
2 1/2 cups flour
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
zest of orange or lemon (optional)
Preheat oven to 350 degrees Cream sugar and butter Add eggs one at a time, cream Add vanilla, salt, and baking powder Add flour and milk Bring dough together in a ball and refrigerate until chilled Roll on floured board If dough is too sticky, add more flour Roll to 1/8 inch thickness and use round cutter or glass to cut circles Fill with favorite filling or jam and fold Bake 9 minutes or until golden brown Cool and enjoy!



Available now: Humantashen, or Hummies, are handmade at Sunshine Treats The sweet cookie-like treat is filled with berry, lemon, poppy or prune and is especially popular during the Jewish celebration of Purim.

Jewish festivals, and the warm and light-hearted atmosphere of the bakery feels like an appropriate place to visit during the celebration

"One raspberry Hummie?" said Salba to a regular customer entering the bakery on his lunchbreak

"Per usual," he said "And I don't need a bag"

The attitude at Sunshine Treats is a happy one

The happy time during Purim celebrates a reversal of Jewish persecution in Persia, when punishment was bestowed on Prime Minister Haman for his plans to kill Jewish people The

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lemon and blueberry The prune and poppy flavors are made especially for the Purim celebration and are available now They're handmade, weighed individually, and baked in small batches

Cake-like Paczki contain yeast and are fried Hummies are yeast-free, kosher and are baked

Salba and Rice, both Jewish, adore the taste of their homemade Humantashen and also respect its orientation The treats are especially popular during Purim, the merriest of all

Meltingly good fondue is 'new' again

As with many things in food, drink and fashion, it would seem nothing goes away forever

My daughter would never be caught without her big flared bell-bottom pants Brasserie style Martin Bar Restaurants are the new hip-hop places to see and be seen, big steaks and chops are back, so why should we be surprised that fondue pots of the past are bubbling up in the most unexpected places?

I'm thinking fondue had its last heyday in the seventies I remember in my youth my mother having these "dip-pity-do" style parties when entertaining on her card night By the mid-eighties when I went through the ranks of culinary school I have no

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KELLI LEWTON

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recall of ever discussing the possibilities of fondue By the mid-nineties, calls started to trickle into our catering company about fondue theme parties, and present day fondue stations have grown into one of our more common food stations

Fondue, from its peasant roots of sharing a communal bowl, has flourished into a party favorite of present day and has evolved along the way

According to the *Food Lover's Companion*, second edition, fondue, from fondre, the French word for "melt," the term has many meanings Fondue au fromage is a classic dish of Swiss heritage consisting of cheese melted and combined with white wine, Kirsch and seasonings Bite-size chunks of French bread are dipped into the hot, savory mixture Fondue bourguignonne is a variation whereby cubes of raw beef are cooked in a pot of hot oil, then dipped into various savory sauces The third version is chocolate fondue, a combination of melted chocolate, cream and sometimes liqueur, into which fruit or cake may be dipped The fourth definition is a term from French

cooking in which the term "fondue" refers to finely chopped vegetables that have been reduced to a pulp by lengthy and slow cooking This mixture is often used as a garnish, usually with meats or fish

History of fondue

During the cold snowy Swiss winters, many regions became isolated and consequently, fresh food became scarce Towns people had to rely upon locally made foods Area cheese makers produced these in the summer months During winter, these cheeses became dry and unpalatable Out of necessity

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wines from very reputable chateaux and outstanding vintages such as 1998, Costco has had some fantastic deals in the last few months. You do not have to be a Costco club member to buy wine.

Burgundian heritage

Dijon in the Burgundy region of France is the mustard capital of the world. Authentic mustards are made by mixing one third black or brown mustard

seeds, grown in abundance in the Dijon area, with unripe grape juice. The mixture is then ground and finely sieved to produce the smooth, light yellow mustard.

The characteristic pungency of an authentic Dijon mustard is the result of the natural flavor development from the moment the grain's kernel comes into contact with the juice. If you've been misled to believe that a dressed greens salad does not

match with wine, perk up your next vinaigrette with a tablespoon or to taste with authentic Dijon mustard and a dash of red Burgundy wine. Voila! A great salad to match red wine, especially a mellow Burgundy.

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triangular shape of the cookie represents the hat Haman wore.

The cookie itself, originally known as *mohntaschen*, "mohn," meaning poppy seed, and "taschen" meaning pockets, was first written about in connection with Purim in an early 12th century medieval poem by Abraham ibn Ezra, according to the book *Jewish Family Celebrations, The Sabbath, Festivals and Ceremonies* by Arlene Rossen Cardozo.

Taste and friendship

The origin of Sunshine Treats is anything but typical. It all started when Salba placed a "Help Wanted" advertisement 13 years ago in *The Farmington Observer*, part of *The Observer & Eccentric* newspaper group. She needed help making muffin batter, which she mixed from her grandmother's recipes and sold wholesale. Her operation was small, but steady.

"I responded to the ad and after hearing the details I told (Salba) 'Keep the \$5 an hour. Would you like a partner?'" Rice said.

Rice has a marketing business and told Salba that within a year they'd have their own store. Equally motivated, Salba agreed. She knew her muffin recipes were great.

"When we both went home that night we told our husbands of our plans," Salba said. "Needless to say they thought we were crazy."

Today, the women said both their husbands and children are proud of their success. Their kosher bakery caters mostly to wholesalers. Massive amounts of cakes, Hummies and muffins are baked fresh by a small staff everyday.

The pair work hard, and aren't afraid to get covered in flour or other ingredients. But both said their dedication to the business doesn't supersede their love for their family. Bakery hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday. Evenings and weekends are family time.

How sweet it is

The success of the bakery can be credited to its fresh ingredi-



Sweet: Marilyn Rice, co-owner of Sunshine Treats in Farmington Hills, shows off a freshly baked tray of Humantashen treats.

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ents, interesting recipes and an eye on food trends, Rice said. When oat bran was the rage, they made oat bran muffins. When that trend ran its course new recipes were introduced, but the traditional family favorites remain strong.

The store's signature muffin is sour cream coffee cake and came from Salba's grandmother. Rice uses a chocolate cookie recipe from her sister.

"We don't sell anything we wouldn't eat ourselves," Salba said.

"And we don't use anything we wouldn't put on our own dining tables," Rice added.

Neither Salba nor Rice know how long they'll stay in business.

"We'll stop when we want to," they both said.

Until then they'll continue to expand the business and continue to laugh. As they put their arms around each other — Rice tall and Salba shorter — their jokes continue.

"I was once 6-foot-tall," Salba said.

"But I beat her down," added Rice.

Their strong friendship will outlast their successful business, they said. How sweet it is.

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Dip away your blues with fondues

See related 2 Unique column on Pastimes front. Recipes compliments of Kelli Lewton

DARK CHOCOLATE DESSERT FONDUE

7 tablespoons whipping cream
3 tablespoons honey
8 ounces semisweet chocolate chopped
2 ounces bitter dark chocolate, chopped
1 tablespoon Kirsch (clear cherry brandy)
1/4 teaspoon almond extract

For Dipping
• Fresh cut fruit such as banana peeled pear or apple wedges
• Fresh berries such as strawberries blackberries and raspberries
• Pound cake

Method
• Bring cream and honey to simmer in heavy medium saucepan
• Add chocolate, whisk until melted
• Remove from heat
• Whisk in Kirsch and extract
• Pour fondue into bowl, place on platter Surround with fruit Serve with skewers

WILD MUSHROOM GARLIC SCENTED CHEESE FONDUE

1/2 onion diced
3 large garlic cloves minced
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 cup assorted butter or wild mushrooms

steamed and sliced thin
1 pound Swiss cheese grated
3 tablespoons all purpose flour
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon ground white pepper
1 1/4 cup dry white wine

For Dipping
• 1 pound crusty French bread or sourdough bread, cut into 1-1/2 inch cubes

Method
• Saute onions and mushrooms in olive oil for 3-4 minutes
• Add minced garlic and continue to sauté for 2-3 minutes, deglaze with white wine and heat 2 minutes
• Combine cheeses, flour, nutmeg, and white pepper in large bowl, toss to coat
• Add cheese mixture to wine mixture by handfuls, whisking until melted and smooth after each addition Mix in more wine by tablespoonfuls to reach desired consistency
• Transfer to fondue pot Set fondue pot over candle or canned heat (sterno)

SUN-DRIED TOMATO PESTO PIZZA FONDUE

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
1 medium onion chopped
1/2 cup reconstituted finely chopped sun dried tomatoes
2 garlic cloves, minced
1 tablespoon prepared pesto
1/4 teaspoon crushed hot red pepper flakes

3/4 cup dry white wine
2 cups Mozzarella cheese shredded
1 1/2 cups Provolone cheese shredded
1/2 cup Parmigiano Reggiano cheese
1 tablespoon cornstarch

For Dipping
• Crusty French or Italian bread cut into bite size cubes with crust
• Salami cubes and Pepperoni wedges
• Baby artichoke hearts
• Raw veggies including pepper slices zucchini and mushrooms
• Breadsticks

Method
• In a medium, heavy bottomed saucepan, heat the olive oil over medium heat
• Add the onion and cook, stirring often, until translucent, about 4 minutes
• Add the sun dried tomatoes, garlic, pesto and hot pepper flakes
• Stir until the garlic is fragrant, about 1 minute
• Add the wine and bring to a simmer In a medium bowl, toss the cheeses with the cornstarch
• Stir in the cheeses, a handful at a time, into the saucepan, stirring until the first addition is melted before adding another
• Let the fondue come to a bare simmer, but do not boil
• Transfer cheese to a fondue pot and keep warm over a fondue burner
• Serve immediately with the dipping ingredients of your choice

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came a wonderful dish, the fondue The cheese was melted in an earthenware pot called a caquelon Local wines and seasonings were added and even the stale bread tasted delicious after it was swirled in the creamy cheese sauce Each person kept their corner of the pot, showing consideration and kinship, a Swiss custom still respected to this day

Fondue Tips

■ Do the two-step Cook the fondue in a double boiler on your stove, and then transfer it to the fondue pot for serving

■ Use the right pot Use a large ceramic pot for cheese and large batches of dessert fondue, a metal-lined pot for oil-based or fried fondues Small ceramic pots are perfect for smaller quantities of desserts The new generations of fondue pots are sturdier and more versatile

■ Acidic liquids help the proteins in the cheese melt smoothly Beer, stock, dry or semi-dry wine will help give your fondue balance

■ Don't stop with the bread! Try dipping bagel pieces into a fondue of cream cheese and

smoked salmon Tender pieces of cooked chicken or shrimp with a traditional Swiss fondue also work great

■ Be careful in your selection and combination of cheeses First, work within families of cheeses What would taste good together on a sandwich would most likely be good melted together

■ Reverse fondue is certainly the chic rage Try making interesting purées or warm tapanade spreads and dipping cheese cubes in for a snappy change of pace So, fondue is back in its tradi-

tional form as well as in a variety of new flavors It's a wonderful venue for getting all of your guests around the same table to share a communal pot, fun conversation, good company and great food!

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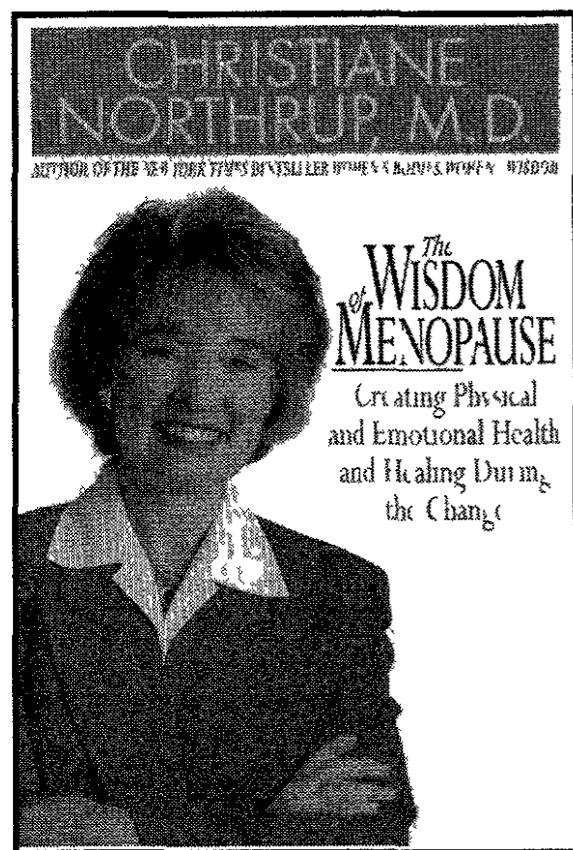
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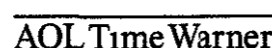
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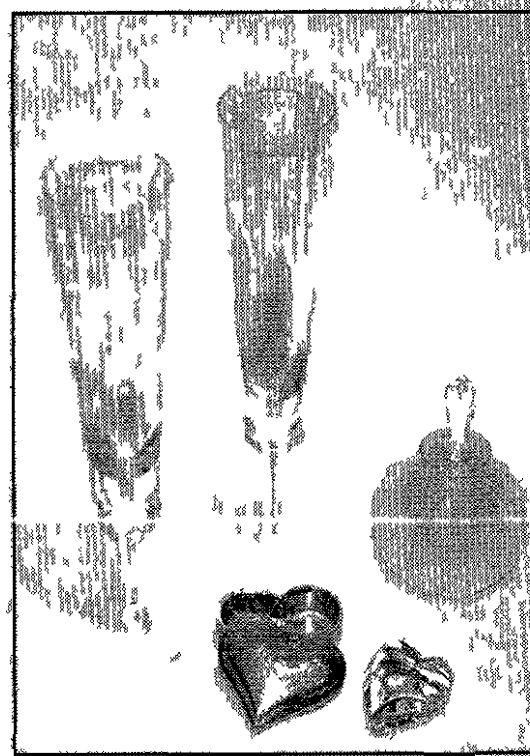
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The Feb. 10 event is by kids, for kids. Get in the Valentine's Day spirit with classic rock sounds of the '50s and '60s while the Earth Angels dazzle you with hoppin' routines and costumes

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- A business or carpenter to rebuild a baby crib for Regina?

- A business that can make a baby quilt?

- A store that sells a 1-1/16-inch narrow roll paper for an old cash register for Patty of Livonia?

- A store that sells a photograph album that holds 5-by-7-inch pictures for Marilyn of Southfield?

- A store that sells a wire mesh shopping cart for Edith?

- A store that sells parts for a Cuisinart whisk attachment for Richard?

- A store that sells Smart Start next generation for Joyce?

- A business in the Livonia area that can repair an old IBM Selectric typewriter for Joe of Livonia?

- A company that can repair an old home mangle for Richard?

- A store that sells a desk-spindle for 33-1/3 and 45 phonograph records (the spindle stacks the records, then drops them down) for Mary Lou of Bloomfield?

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- A store that sells the 1971 animated movie *The Point*, narrated by Ringo Starr, for Kathy of Birmingham?

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- A store that sells parfait glasses for Mrs. S?

- A store that sells Ivory shampoo for Mary of Livonia?

- A store that sells a tape recorder to tape old 78 and 33-1/3 records to a CD cassette for Alice of Bloomfield Township?

- A bakery in the Redford/Livonia area that sells 100 percent whole wheat bread for Elizabeth?

- A store that sells a 2002 linen calendar towel for Julie of Farmington Hills?

- A store that sells a pattern for clothing for a concrete outdoor goose for Geri?

- A store that sells a neck pillow to train you to sleep on your back for Marilyn?

- A store that sells Anne Klein II perfume for Marie?

- A store that sells white chocolate candy filled with raspberry for Teri?

- A store that sells fiberglass or plastic trays with a rim around the edges for Laura?

- A store that sells Clairol hot curlers (red bottom, clear on top, 18 curlers) for Nancy of Livonia?

- Someone who can take a picture and put it on the cover of a pretend magazine for Keith?

- Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

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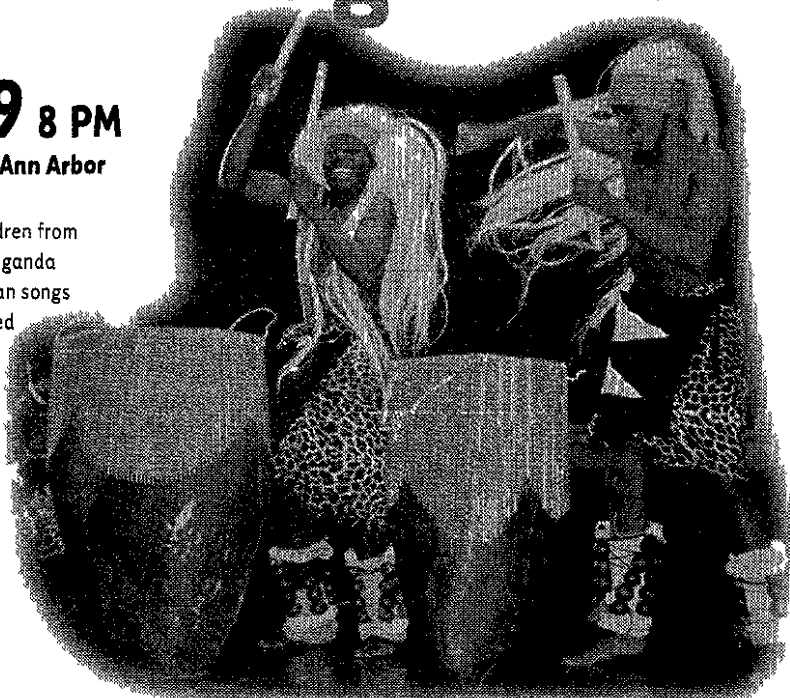
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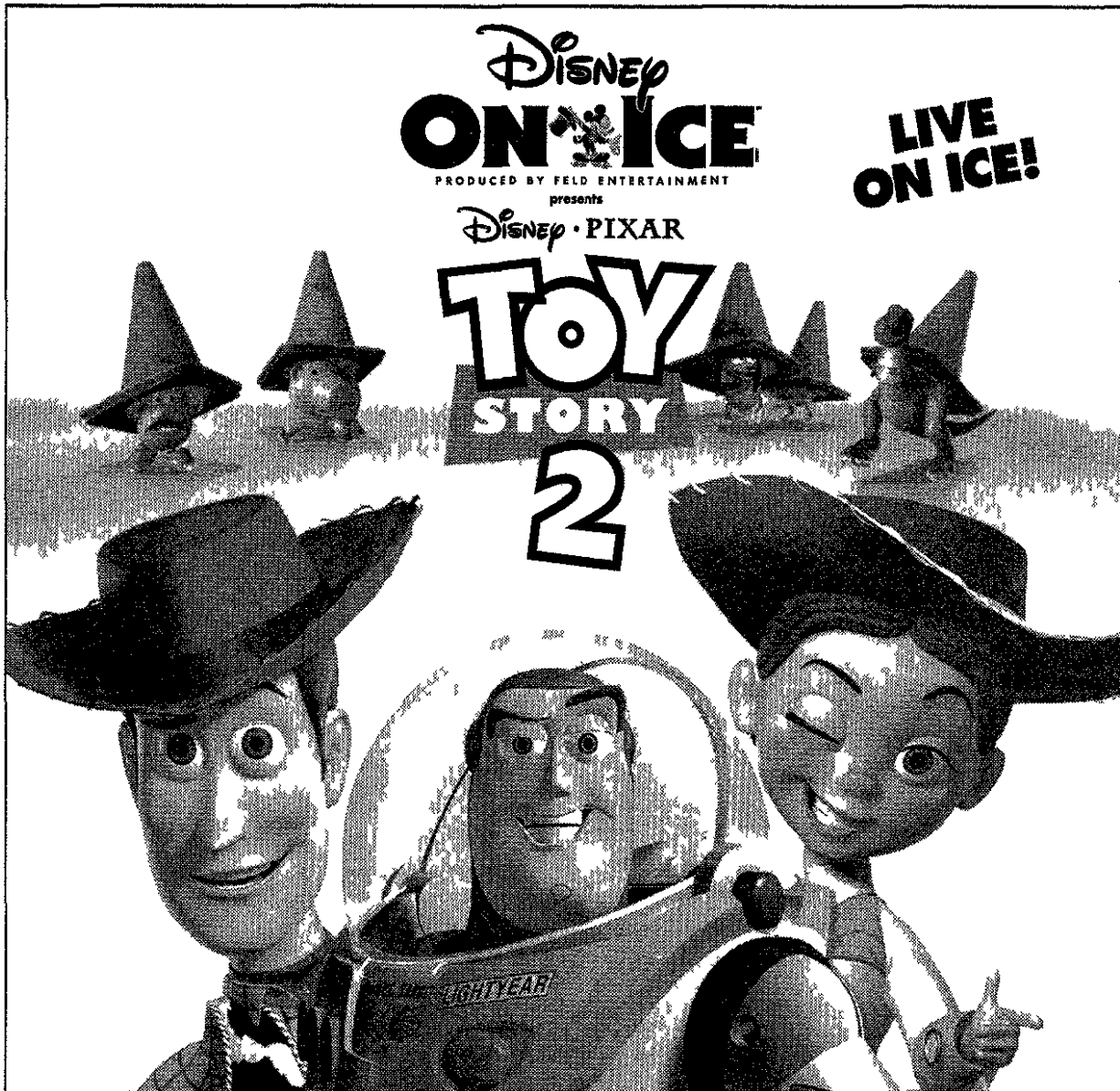
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Tiresome college comedy 'Slackers' falls flat

BY CHRISTY LEMIRE
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

So much is wrong with the moronic college comedy *Slackers*, it's hard to know where to begin. So let's just start with the title.

What the characters do is far from slacking — unlike the 1991 Richard Linklater movie *Slacker*, in which the characters really do slack.

Here, three friends lie, cheat and steal to avoid essays, tests and anything else that requires work. But their schemes — which include hacking into the school's power system and stealing blue

books from a delivery van — are so elaborate and labor-intensive, it probably would have been easier just to study.

It also would have been easier to care whether Dave (Devon Sawa), Sam (Jason Segel) and Jeff (Michael C. Maronna) pull off their latest scheme if they weren't so two-dimensional. They are singularly driven to undermine the system, which grows tiresome almost immediately.

But when geeky Ethan (Jason Schwartzman) catches them cheating during an exam and threatens to turn them in if they

don't help him snag his dream girl, Angela (James King), it merely leads to a stagnant series of gratuitously gross and painfully unfunny sexual jokes.

An agonizing scene involving '50s bombshell Mamie Van Doren baring her breasts in a hospital bed and demanding a sponge bath has such a kitschy weirdness and falls so flat, it feels like something John Waters would have concocted.

Nothing coheres

Dewey Nicks, a fashion photographer directing his first feature film, strings together a

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series of sketches with virtually no coherence or consistent tone. Nicks and screenwriter David H. Steinberg, who co-wrote *American Pie 2*, want us to laugh at jokes about sex toys and bodily functions, then feel warm and fuzzy about the blossoming romance between Angela and Dave.

The Ethan character, who's central to the movie's plot, is the weakest part of all. He's so psychotically obsessed with Angela,

it's impossible to muster any sympathy for him. The shrine in his dorm room — complete with Angela's underpants, which he wears on his head, and a doll he made from strands of her long, blond hair — is played for laughs.

But later, he rants about loving and hating her at the same time, and wanting to work out his emotions by locking himself in a room with her. That's not funny — it's violent and frightening.

It's also disappointing. *Slackers* is Schwartzman's first movie to appear in theaters since 1998's *Rushmore*, the Wes

Anderson cult favorite. Ethan is a sort of magnified version of Schwartzman's *Rushmore* character, Max Fisher, in his obsessive quest to get the girl, the only problem is, it's impossible to connect with him.

As the trio's leader, Sawa is sporadically charming in a smarmy kind of way.

But Maronna was funnier (and had better material) as red-haired office clerk Stuart in the TV commercials for Ameritrade. At least in those, he played a legitimate — and likable — slacker.

Antique show will include gourmet food

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Greasy fish and chips and cold ambrosia won't be available at this event. Instead, fresh crepes, hearty quiche and homemade soups will be part of the menu prepared by Chef Linda Pagel on Feb. 8 and 9.

No, Pagel isn't working at a five-star restaurant, rather she'll use her skills at the 38th Annual Antique show at St. John's Episcopal Church at the corner of Woodward and 11 Mile Road.

This year, more than 1,000 people are expected to visit the 28 dealers from the metro-Detroit and Ohio areas — and enjoy a gourmet lunch or dinner costing under \$7.

"I've been organizing this show for 16 years and it gets better and bigger each time," Linda Avery, a parishioner of St. John's said.

For antique collectors the show is a gem for furniture, glassware, china, jewelry and Asian rarities. Avery said some vendors sell more than antiques, such as pottery. The presence of specialized dealers also keeps customers returning. Wally Wilmot, of Wally's Antique Clocks in Royal Oak is

a welcome-regular vendor. "I've been selling my antique clocks at the show for many, many years," Wilmot said. "It's not only good exposure for my business, but the people (at St. John's) are wonderful, they make the dealers feel comfortable."

It's that comfort that keeps the antique show anticipated year after year.

"It's truly more than just a business. The dealers and people come back each year because there's a nice feeling at the church. So warm," Avery said.

The profits improve the church such as a children's nursery, a much-needed elevator and the remodeling of the library where brides wait on their wedding day. Open Hands, the parish food bank, also receives profits.

Admission to the show is \$4 for adults, kids 12 and under are free. Other food items for lunch are soups, baked potatoes and chili. Dinner items will vary. No dinner will be served on Saturday. The show will be open from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday.

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SHOWS

Wayne Civic League: Spring Craft Show 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 2, 1645 N Wayne Road (2 blocks south of Ford Road),

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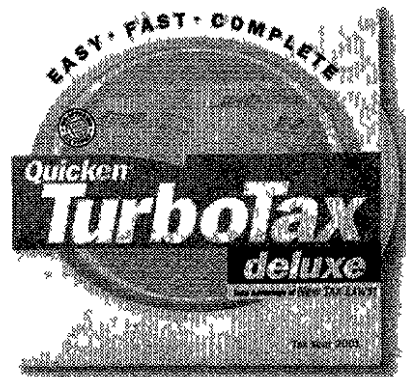
Take I-94 to Exit 159, follow the signs. Works offered for sale include jewelry, wood, fabric, ceramic, and glass works, handmade foods and soaps.

Admission \$2 adults, no charge children under 12.

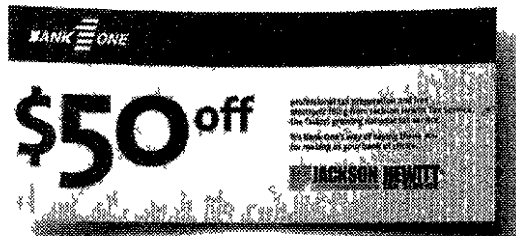
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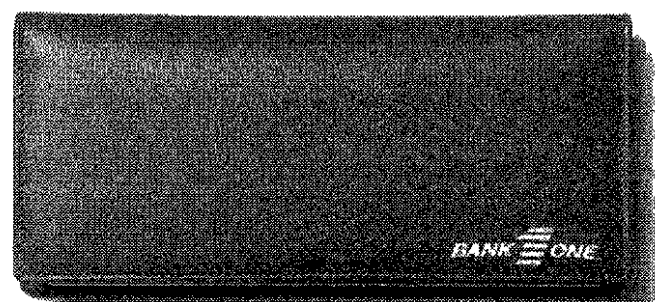
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TRAVEL

2 Wright homes are spectacular

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When you ask an artist to build you a house, you can probably expect a few quirks and a few arguments over which takes precedence, artistic vision or livability.

And when the artist was architect Frank Lloyd Wright, clients didn't win those arguments very often. If two Pennsylvania homes are any clue, clients might not have expected much of a kitchen, spacious bedrooms or convenient storage space. They could expect to pour a fortune into the materials, a few structural problems—and a home unlike anyplace else on earth.

In the countryside of western Pennsylvania, just seven miles apart, fans of the late (1867–1959) icon of American architecture can tour two homes created at very different times in Wright's long career. Fallingwater, located in Mill Run and completed during the Depression when Wright had little work, has been owned since 1963 by the Western Pennsylvania Land Conservancy. Kentuck Knob, completed in 1956 in Chalk Hill, has been owned since 1986 by Lord Peter Palumbo, an English businessman and art dealer.

Both houses are built into hill-sides back into the woods with spectacular views. Touring them invites the question: What must it have been like to live here? It's a pleasant question to consider.

Fallingwater was created as a weekend retreat for Pittsburgh department store magnate Edgar Kaufmann and his wife Liliane. Their son, Edgar Jr.,

If you go...

Getting there: Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob are about 15 hours southeast of Pittsburgh. Both are open to the public daily April through November and less frequently in winter. Reservations are strongly suggested (required in winter).

Information: Call Kentuck Knob at (724) 329-1901 or Fallingwater at (724) 329-8501 for reservations or more information or visit www.paconserv.org and kentuckknob.com.

donated it to the Conservancy after their deaths.

Fallingwater is considered the realization of Wright's dream of building a house where man would live entirely in harmony with his natural surroundings, rather than altering the surroundings to accommodate him. Edgar Kaufmann Sr. discovered the site while horseback-riding and asked Wright to build a house that would allow the family a view of the waterfall. Instead, Wright built the house over the waterfall, including a suspended staircase that descends to the water via a "hatch" window, as well as several cantilevered "ledges" that thrust you out into the trees.

Back story

The story goes that Wright visited the site, then designed the house—literally—to sit upon five huge boulders, left where they were found. The boulders provide the support that allows for a three-story glass corner wall and a house that still seems to hover above the stream. The house was flooded in 1956 but survived structurally intact.

It's an engineering marvel stacked over five levels that, though considered Wright's masterpiece, has been controversial right from the beginning. Wright and Kaufmann traded insults over the amount of reinforcing required for the cantilevered concrete "trays." The trays have been plagued with cracking and sagging, but latter-day critics

have said that Wright was just so far ahead of his time that the technology just wasn't there yet to accommodate his genius.

Even if you accept that it's technically flawed, Fallingwater is stunning. Wright himself said of it, "You listen to Fallingwater the way you listen to the quiet of the country."

Kentuck Knob was built nearly 20 years later, near the end of Wright's long career. It was built for Bernardine and Isaac Newton Hagen, who owned a dairy business in nearby Uniontown and were seeking a retreat from city life.

Hagen had business connections with Kaufmann and visited Fallingwater when it was still a private residence. Those visits led him and his wife to ask Wright to build them a house, but on a much more modest budget. Kaufmann initially contacted Wright for the Hagens, and Kentuck Knob is sometimes referred to as a child of Fallingwater.

Kentuck Knob's living spaces are all on one floor and of a much more human scale than Fallingwater, though it's constructed in a hexagonal rather than square form, creating many oddly shaped rooms. Wright considered the house the "deluxe" model of his budget-conscious Usonian homes, homes designed for middle-class Americans. It's small but jewel-like, with all the interiors in red cypress.

Here again there were structural disagreements. Wright was said to be furious when he was told by a workman on the site that he hadn't incorporated enough support for the asymmetrical roof. But he agreed to

the change.

Wright situated both houses so that you can begin to appreciate his work even before you set foot inside. Long, tree-lined, sloping approaches deliberately bring the visitor in slowly, the better to build the excitement and appreciation for the master.

"I went, I saw and I was conquered," Palumbo said of his first sight of Kentuck Knob.

Both homes also have in common their use of natural materials, quarried on site, and Wright's ability to bring the outdoors in through low sight lines and extensive windows. Both also employ narrow passageways and small kitchens and bedrooms. (At Kentuck Knob, beds had to be installed before the master bedroom was completed, it's that tight.)

Though he considered every detail, including furnishings, Wright concentrated the pizzazz into the common spaces, such as living rooms, and exteriors.

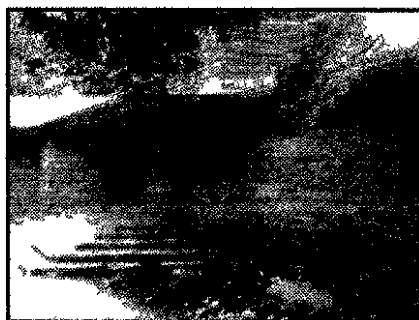
For lovers of great homes, visiting Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob is inspiring. You'll never look at your own surroundings the same way again.

Because of the number of levels it occupies, Fallingwater is not handicap accessible. It includes a lot of steps and visitors are advised to wear comfortable shoes. It's also a bit of a hike from the entrance to the house, and can be crowded. An on-site visitors center, including a lunch room and gift shop, provides a few amenities.



Falling water: Though five stories tall with an even taller central chimney, Fallingwater has a decidedly horizontal feel. This is the view from downstream.

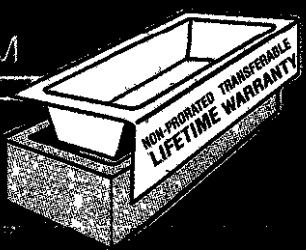
Entry: Kentuck Knob's entry is cocoon-like.



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Player of the Week

Ryan Blick, a freshman at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wis., and a Canton native, was named Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association player of the week for his performance in a weekend series against Marian College.

Blick had two goals and an assist as the Vikings nearly upset the top team in the conference. Blick scored a goal in a 10-2 loss at Marian Friday, then had a goal and an assist in a 5-3 home ice loss Saturday.

Blick, who played for the Ann Arbor Ice Dogs before Lawrence, was third among the Vikings in scoring going into the weekend with nine goals and 11 assists (20 points).

Top finishers

The Sports Club of Novi gymnastics team was first at the Level 8 Great Midwest Challenge in Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 26, with Alyssa Kelly of Plymouth taking top honors in the all-around competition in the 12-and-under division with a score of 36.375 points.

Kelly was first on the uneven parallel bars (9.525), second in floor exercise (9.5), sixth on balance beam (8.85) and ninth on vault (8.5).

Nicole Roach, an 11-year-old from Canton, competed for the Sports Club in Level 9 and finished second in both the vault (8.75) and beam (9.3). Roach took seventh on floor (9.325) and in the all-around (35.825).

Other local team members were Erica Schick, a 13-year-old from Livonia who placed second in the all-around in the 13-and-over age division (36.325), taking a second on the beam (9.375) and floor (9.4) and a third on the bars (9.45), and Jessica Oddi, a 14-year-old from Farmington Hills who was fourth in the all-around (35.95) with a third in the beam (9.15), a fourth on bars (9.4), a sixth on floor (8.95) and an eighth on vault (8.45).

The team is coached by Jennifer Quinlan and Brian Lewis.

Nation's best

Janell Twietmeyer, a 5-foot-10 junior forward at Alma College and an Plymouth Canton HS graduate, has leapt to the top of the NCAA Division III standings for three-point shooting accuracy. Twietmeyer, who tied the school record for threes in a game when she got seven of them against Aquinas College Dec. 1, has made 39-of-82 from beyond the arc (47.6 percent).

For the season, Twietmeyer is averaging 11.7 points per game, converting 73-of-147 shots (49.7 percent). Alma was 10-9 overall, 3-5 in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, going into the weekend.

Suspended

Three members of the DePaul University men's basketball team, including former Schoolcraft College and Redford Bishop Borgess standout Sam Hoskin, have been suspended indefinitely for "violating athletic department academic policy," according to a statement released Friday.

Also suspended were Lance Williams, the team's second-leading rebounder and third-leading scorer, and sophomore point guard Imari Sawyer. Williams was suspended for one game.

Hoskin was second among the Blue Demons in scoring (11.5 points a game) and third in rebounding (6.6). Sawyer led DePaul in assists (5.4).

The Demons have struggled this season, posting an 8-11 overall record and a 1-7 mark in the Conference USA.

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.

Chiefs chew up Mustangs, 66-50

BY C.J. RISAK
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This is what happens when things mesh for Plymouth Canton's basketball team.

Too bad for Northville which happened to be on the opposite side of the scoreboard from the Chiefs. The Mustangs couldn't match their three-point shooting, their defensive pressure or their free-throw shooting, which is why Canton cruised to a 66-50 victory Friday at Canton.

The Chiefs improve to 7-6 overall, 4-3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Northville fell to 7-6 overall, 3-4 in the WLAA.

BASKETBALL

"They played well," said Northville coach Darrel Schumacher. "We didn't. They played a real excellent pressure defense and they took away our post play."

"I thought we started the game real well, but when we started missing our free throws we got a little flustered. We needed to make our free throws in the first half."

The Mustangs' mediocre efforts at the stripe in the first half — they were 5-of-10 — certainly diminished their chances, but it wasn't the only factor working against them. They had a path towards victory open to them in the game's opening quarter, when they forced Canton into committing five turnovers in the first 3 1/2 minutes.

But the best Northville could do was a 6-3 lead. That was erased by a Brendan Murphy three-point play with 3:18 left in the first, when Andrew Meagrow drilled a three-pointer — one of Canton's seven in the game — with 2:38 left in the first, the Chiefs never again trailed.

"I thought we put it together pretty well tonight," said Canton coach Jeremy Rheault. "This is an unselfish group. They'll find the open man."

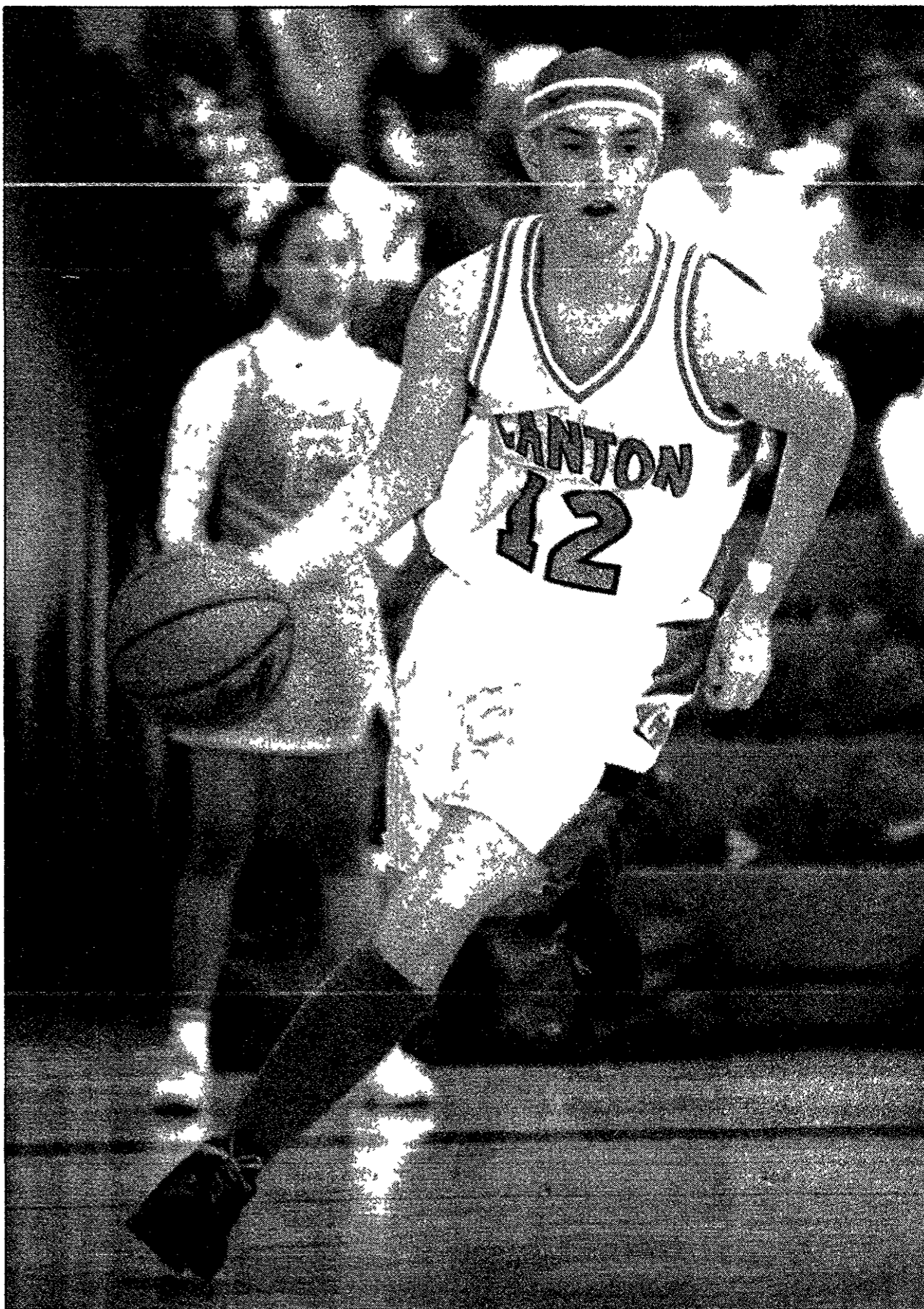
That the Chiefs did, particularly in the second quarter. Their 7-2 run to close out the first quarter gave them a 16-11 lead heading into the second, and they just kept powering past an offensively inept Northville squad. Canton scored the first 12 points of the second quarter, which — combined with their finish to the first — gave the Chiefs a 19-2 run and a 28-11 lead midway through the second quarter.

The Mustangs were never closer than nine after that.

What Canton had, and what Northville lacked, was offensive balance. The Chiefs hit 10-of-23 of their first-half floor shots (43.5 percent) and all six of their free throws, Northville was 7-of-20 from the floor (35 percent) and 5-of-10 from the stripe (50 percent).

Nothing much changed in the second half. The Mustangs were 9-of-24 (37.5 percent) from the floor and 10-of-14 at the line, Canton was 11-of-22 from the field.

Please see **CHIEFS, C4**



FILE PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Into the fray: Canton's Brendan Murphy did all the little things, like rebounding and playing defense, to help the Chiefs stop Northville Friday.

Lady Ocelots power past Kirtland, 80-53

No sense wasting time. Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team doubled-up on Kirtland CC in the opening half Friday, building a big enough cushion to coast to an 80-53 victory at SC.

The Lady Ocelots remain unbeaten in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference at 9-0, they are 17-4 overall. Kirtland slips to 2-6 in the conference, 9-13 overall.

Eleven players scored for SC, four of them reaching double figures. Pam Wingate led the onslaught with 22 points, she also grabbed nine rebounds. Devin Francois added 13 points, eight boards and five

WOMENS HOOP

assists.

The Ocelot backcourt again provided the spark. Rachel Eley fell one assist and one steal short of a triple-double, she had 12 points, six rebounds, nine assists and nine steals. Kelly Grenan (from Redford Thurston) contributed 10 points and four assists, and Keysha Hamilton finished with eight points.

Kirtland was led by Rebecca Miller with 18 points. Brandie Bates chipped in with 16.

The Ocelots led 44-22 by halftime, converting 19-of-32 first-half floor shots (59.3 percent). They finished the game with 32 baskets in 66 shots (48.4 percent).

Kirtland was limited to 20-of-68 shooting (29.4 percent). SC also forced 30 turnovers while committing 21.

SC 74, Delta 50: Delta College entered Wednesday's home game as one of Schoolcraft College's biggest rivals in the conference. The Pioneers were 6-1 in league play, 12-4 overall — marks that indicated

Please see **OCELOTS, C4**

Victory keeps Salem atop WLAA

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
SPECIAL WRITER

Plymouth Salem's volleyball team out-shone Farmington's even though both were missing a star.

The Rocks defeated the Falcons, 15-13, 15-7, Wednesday night in a Western Lakes Activities Association Lakes Division showdown.

Salem played without leading front-liner MaryLou Liebau, while Farmington was minus its top front-line player, junior Jessica Janowicz.

"She's our best outside hitter," Falcons' coach Alex Perrin said of his ill front-liner. "She's All City on the right side and we missed her. She's also our best blocker."

Liebau was on the bench — watching because she missed practice the previous day.

"Katie Good stepped up," Salem coach Tom Teeters said. "She really helped (on the attack). And (Kelly) Jaskot did a good job digging (Maggie) Tudor and Susan (Woodard) stepped up and Mandy Bradley had a great game."

Salem (27-3, 7-0) survived a scare in the first game but scored the first seven points of the second and 10 of the first 11.

Farmington (22-9-4, 4-2) overcame a five-point deficit in the first game on the strength of five straight points served by Julie Kummel.

The Falcons took a 7-5 lead before junior Tudor

VOLLEYBALL

served eight straight winners for the Rocks to put Salem on the brink.

But Kelsey Guisbert retaliated with six straight winners for Farmington, pulling the Falcons up to 14-13.

A timely timeout by Teeters steadied Salem before a long volley gave the Rocks a sideout. The teams traded serves before junior Nicole Genrich served an ace to close out the game.

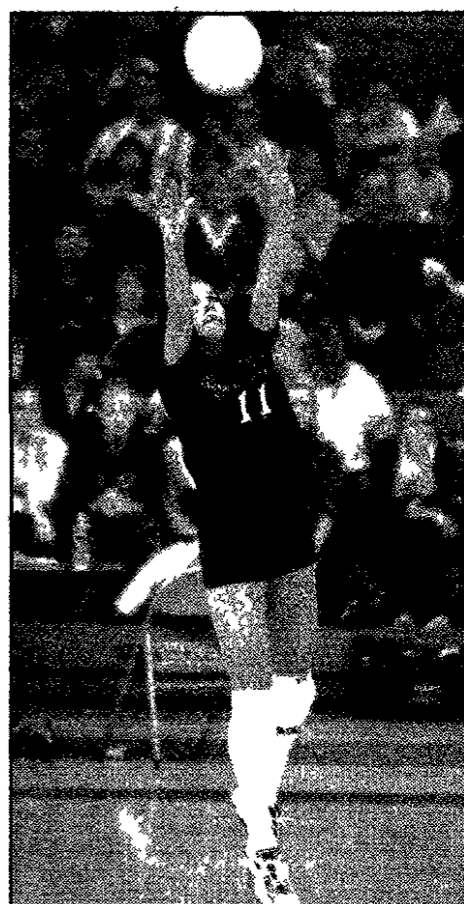
"They had a couple of servers who didn't do anything fancy, but they gave us trouble," Perrin said. "In that first game, their string of eight straight points hurt us."

"But that's their modus operandi, Salem always out-serves people."

Good had a really good game for the Rocks. She had 2 1/2 blocks plus a game-high 11 kills. She was especially active in the second game with seven hits for winners.

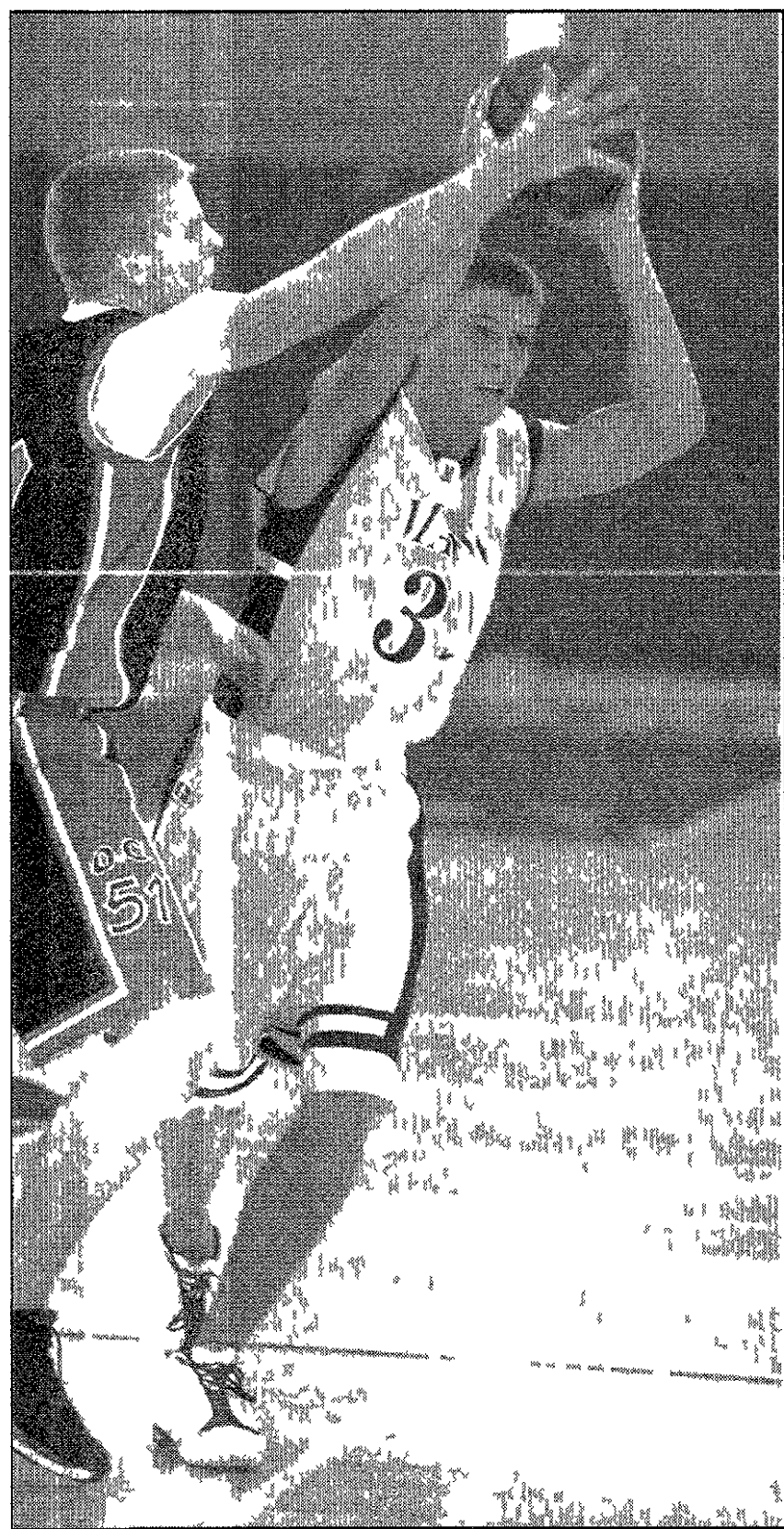
Bradley had four kills for Salem while Jaskot had a nice string of four in the second game. Jaskot also served two aces while Genrich served six winning points in the match.

Please see **SALEM, C2**



Steady setting: Salem's Jordan Falcusan provided the solid sets that enabled the Rocks to roll past Farmington Wednesday and remain in first place in the WLAA.

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Saints' Power trips Madonna

MEN'S HOOP

A few years ago, Tony Jancevski used to enjoy watching Andy Power drain those long-range three-pointers.

Back then, they were teammates at Plymouth Salem, Jancevski playing in the post and Power at the point for the Rocks. Now, however, the feelings aren't quite the same.

Power plays for Siena Heights, Jancevski is with Madonna University. Last Wednesday, those two teams clashed in Adrian, and it was Power who carried the Saints to a first-half lead they never surrendered in rolling to a 109-75 victory.

Siena Heights improved to 21-4 overall, 8-1 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. The Crusaders fell to 6-19 overall, 3-6 in the WHAC.

Madonna made it interesting for about 10 minutes. Two free throws by Jancevski had the Crusaders trailing by just one, 21-20, with 10:38 left in the half. But in the next four minutes, Power nailed three three-pointers to lead Siena Heights on an 11-3 run.

Power was nearly unstoppable. He finished the half (and the game) with 17 points on five triples, he was 5-of-7 from three-point range in the

game, with three assists and three steals.

His first-half surge enabled the Saints to take a 55-35 lead by halftime. Madonna never got within 20 points of them in the second half.

Five other players joined Power in reaching double figures in scoring for Siena Heights. Steve Biggs with 15 (and 10 rebounds), Matt Bennett with 13, Nate Bradford and Luke Baker with 11 apiece, and Sean Carlson with 10 (and five assists).

Jancevski was one of three Crusaders to score 16 points, he also had 10 rebounds and four assists. Noel Emenhiser had 16 points and six boards, and Aaron Cox contributed 16 points and two steals. John Bennett (from Livonia Churchill) added 12 points.

After converting 12-of-24 first-half floor shots (50 percent), Madonna made just 13-of-39 in the second half (33.3 percent). The Crusaders also made just 6-of-20 three-pointers (30 percent) compared to Siena Heights' 16-of-39 (41 percent). Madonna also had 25 turnovers to 14 for the Saints.

Top scorer: Noel Emenhiser was one of three Crusaders to score 16 points against Siena Heights Wednesday.

Rocks post great marks at Invite

GYMNASTICS

The score was fantastic — indeed, one of the best ever posted by a Plymouth Salem gymnastics team. It says a lot that as strong a mark as it was, there were four other teams that scored even better. And three of them are members of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Salem scored a 144.15 at last Saturday's (Jan. 26) Farmington Invitational. Rochester Adams, ranked No. 1 in the state, finished first overall with a 148.575, followed by Farmington (145.1), Brighton (144.7) and Northville/Novi (144.3).

"I'm pleased with our team score," said Salem coach Melissa Hopson. "It's our best yet. Our team score is consistent or going up, which is good."

Top scorer among the Rocks was Bethany Bartlett, who placed fourth in the Division I all-around with a 37.20 total. Bartlett was third on the uneven parallel bars (9.45), fourth on vault (9.2), fourth on floor exercise (9.5) and

sixth on balance beam (9.05).

In Division II, April Aquino placed third in the all-around with a 36.00 score. Aquino was first on floor (9.55), second on beam (9.15), eighth on bars (8.8) and 10th on vault (8.5). Melissa Drake took fourth in the D-II all-around (35.55), placing first on bars (9.3), fifth on vault (8.8) and sixth on floor (9.05).

Ashley Aquino was sixth in the D-II all-around (35.20), placing fifth in floor (9.1), sixth in bars (8.8) and seventh on vault (8.7).

Other noteworthy scores for the Rocks: Staci Schmedding, 8.6 in the beam and 8.15 on vault; Kara Dendrinos, 8.3 on the floor and 8.1 on the bars, and Brittin Pollack, 8.3 in the vault and 8.25 on the floor.

Salem competes at Westland John Glenn Monday, then hosts Northville/Novi Thursday. Both begin at 7 p.m.

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"We were almost missing Bradley," Teeters said. "She was in a minor car accident, and we had to get her mother's permission for her to play."

Teeters shuffled the lineup to cover for Liebau. Tudor covered in the back row while junior Bradley played up front. Junior Tiffani Erickson did some serving in place of Liebau.

"We scored more points on Salem than anyone else in the league has," Perrin said. "That's a silver lining sort of thing. We had them on the ropes in the first game."

"They couldn't stop (junior) Deanna Gauer. She had eight kills and hit 600 Plus, she was outstanding in blocking. Jocelyn Atkins was also on the list of good performers."

Kimmel had four kills for the Falcons and Meghan Young three. Gausbert served eight winners in the match, while Kimmel and sophomore Lisa Hallebyuck each had an ace. Randin Brown had 16 assists.

In the exhibition third game, Salem rolled to a 15-1 victory as Genrich served eight straight points and Maggie Jones seven.

The Falcons did a good job of preventing long point runs by the Rocks in the second game, but they were unable to follow their sideouts by scoring points.

Salem's longest string of points in the second game was three, but Farmington failed to score more than two in a row before giving up service.

Canton collects win

It wasn't an overpowering performance, but as Plymouth Canton volleyball coach Steve Anderson described it, "We played horribly, but we played horribly and won."

Which, as he was quick to counter, is better than playing horribly and losing. The Chiefs ran their Western Lakes Activi-

VOLLEYBALL

ties Association Western Division record to 3-1 with a 15-12, 15-12 triumph over Northville Wednesday at Canton.

The Chiefs are 11-12-4 overall, 4-3 in the WLA.

"We're not there yet, but we're getting there," said Anderson. "We played what I thought was one of our worst matches of the season. But we remembered enough to win. So it was kind of a good news, bad news type of thing."

Example: Canton had eight service aces in the match, which is good, but the Chiefs also missed 11 serves, which was bad.

With Colleen O'Brien sidelined with a broken thumb (she's expected to be out another month), Anderson has a pair of sophomores starting in his top two setting positions, and both are performing as well as can be expected.

Kristen Lillie is the primary setter against Northville, she had 20 set assists and nine digs.

Kelly Baker is filling O'Brien's position as opposite setter. She had five digs and five set assists against the Mustangs. "I'm extremely happy with her play," said Anderson.

Leading the attack was junior Cindy Rotramel with nine kills (with a 320 kill percentage).

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Michigan's slopes have turned up the excitement for skiers and snowboarders

After such good weather last winter with lots of snowfall and cold temperatures, many Michigan ski areas expanded and made improvements to accommodate ever increasing numbers of skiers and snowboarders. Steve Kershner, president of the Michigan Ski Industries Association and director of skiing at Shanty Creek in Bellaire, says that with last year's banner season and the coming of the Olympic Games, interest in winter sports is at an all-time high. Here's a rundown of what's new on Michigan's ski slopes this season:

- Alpine Valley of White Lake (248) 887-2180 purchased more snow guns in a continual effort to upgrade and increase snowmaking at the Southeast Michigan ski area.
- Apple Mountain of Freeland near Saginaw (989) 781-0170 began offering shaped skis in the rental department.
- The Upper Peninsula's Big Powderhorn Mountain in Bessemer 1-800-501-SNOW extended their NASTAR race course. NASTAR is a racing program that is open to the public and rates racers using a handicap method. The resort also expanded its snowmaking to cover 90 percent of the slopes and expanded its Powdergrip and Oxlow terrain parks. The rental department now offers high performance ski and snowboard equipment this season and as a skier's convenience, the resort installed an ATM (automatic teller machine) in the main lodge. For kids, Big Powderhorn's KinderSchool has moved to new facilities that include both a chairlift and handle tow for beginners. Chicago residents can take advantage of the Big Powderhorn Express. Starting at \$19 (per person double occupancy) or \$199 (per person triple/quadruple occupancy) skiers receive round trip motor coach transportation, 2 nights lodging and lift tickets.
- Bittersweet Ski Resort of Oshtemo on the Kalamazoo river (616) 694-2820 increased the length of its existing chairlift to serve their newly expanded terrain park. Last season Bittersweet introduced the Sweet Express, a new high speed quad chairlift, the first in Southwest Michigan.
- Blackjack of Bessemer (906) 299-6115 in the Upper Peninsula's Big Snow Country has expanded their Blizzard Wizard snowmaking system. On top of the 200+ inches of natural snow that normally falls at Blackjack each season, skiers and boarders can be assured of white slopes this winter. Blackjack has also upgraded its trail grooming equipment and day chalet facilities. A new half pipe is in the works.
- In Harbor Springs at Boyne Highland 1-800-GO BOYNE, new ski/snowboard condos are available for rent. Located at the base of North Peak Pass, the condos are called the Alpine Village. The resort is offering a new three-hour guided cross-country ski and snowshoe tour that includes an old-fashioned outdoor campfire lunch. The Highlands has also expanded snowmaking capabilities and expanded and improved the Nordic trails, terrain park and tubing park.
- Boyne Mountain of Boyne Falls 1-800-GO BOYNE has added nine new runs ranging from beginner to advanced levels. The resort added a triple chairlift near Discipline Ridge on the north side of the mountain. They have also expanded the terrain park and added a tubing park in the Top Notch area. Considerable work has been completed on Boyne Mountain's new base-of-the-slopes village called the Mountain Grand Lodge and Spa. The four-star condominium hotel and spa will be set in a village atmosphere with shopping, a cafe, ice skating and a fire ring. The \$250 million village is slated for occupancy in 2003. New also this year is a condominium development called The Village at Discipline's Ridge which is adjacent to the cross-country trails. Rustic, contemporary log home condos called the cabins also make their debut. You can view it all on Boyne's live streaming video at www.boyne.com.
- Caberfae Peaks Ski Resort of Cadillac (231) 862-3000 added eight portable snowmaking towers and 10 portable snowmaking guns. They also widened three novice trails. Millions are put into the resort every year and more renovations are planned for this year," says Kathy Chifford, Caberfae spokesperson.
- Cannonsburg Ski Area of Cannonsburg (616) 874-6711 purchased new snow making guns.
- Cross-country ski enthusiasts will be pleased to learn that Cross-Country Ski Headquarters of Roscommon (989) 321-6661 purchased 30 additional acres and created a new trail that passes through a huge stand of Norwegian pines. They also added a new double-tracked trail for the classical Nordic skier.
- Crystal Mountain of Thompsonville (231) 378-2000 broke ground this summer on the new Kinloch Lodge and Clubhouse, a project that begins a ten-year \$60 million expansion plan at the 46-year-old Northern Michigan resort. Plans include a pedestrian village, 19 more holes of traditional-style golf, a spa and ten to twelve additional ski slopes bringing Crystal's total slopes to approximately 45. The new Kinloch Lodge and Clubhouse will house all winter services, a year-round restaurant and bar, cross-country ski operations and on the building's upper two levels, 19 luxurious condominium units. For beginner skiers, Crystal is offering a new \$199 four-season program, a unique twist. When the four seasons are complete, Crystal gives each participant a season ski pass and free midweek rental equipment for the remainder of the season.

To be continued next week

Canton native part of winning tourney team



AL HARRISON

TEN PIN ALLEY
 Ronnie Sparks, Jr. of Wayne teamed up with Canton's Pat Barter to win the 12th annual Bob Klaczkiwicz Memorial Doubles tournament for the Michigan Junior Masters Association (MJMA), Jan 26-27, at Stardust Lanes in Saginaw

Pat Brown of Canton and Evan Relich of Garden City also made it to the match play finals only to fall to Ryan Redmond and Marcus Sabo 211-182. Sparks and Barter then came on to win, 219-205, setting up the final match, 212-191. The winning pair each picked up \$250 in scholarship money. Brown and Relich took \$125 each to further their educations. All of these fine youngsters from the O&E area had distinguished themselves with exceptional skills that earned them their own articles on the pages of Ten Pin Alley prior to the doubles competition. In MJMA bowling, there is a monthly scratch tournament featuring the finest youth bowlers from not only the greater Detroit area, but from other nearby states. The next tournament is scheduled for Feb 23-24 at AMF Airway Lanes in Kalamazoo. For more information on MJMA, call Executive Director

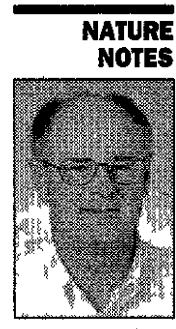
Dan Ottman at (248) 689-8696. Livonia's Bill Funke rolled his eighth career 300 game Jan 23 in the Mayflower Lanes Senior Men's Classic. Funke also purchased a hot new ball to use that day, but he was just so-so (170-180 range) during the first two games. He went back to the old ball for the third game, and it proved to be a wise decision as he fired 12 consecutive strikes for his perfect game. Mayflower Lanes in Redford is also the site of the seventh annual Senior/Youth Challenge which too late for this week's publication, read all about it in the next edition. Funke is bowling in this event and will be honored during the opening ceremonies for the perfect game. To update the many friends of Lou Ivanck, who was stricken last month. He is doing much better, and

is recovering now at this home. Lou is a fighter who will give it his all to make a comeback from the stroke. He really appreciated those many cards that were sent by his bowling friends when he was in the hospital. Behind the scenes of the Greater Detroit Old Timers committee, a lot of time and effort has been devoted in figuring out how to give away thousands of dollars in scholarship money. The funds are to be used for college tuition or a trade school. Some time this month, a letter and appropriate forms will go out to all youth bowling coaches in the area. It will explain eligibility, processing of entries, criteria and evaluation. Each coach will be able to submit the names of young men who are high school seniors, are exemplary in character, carry a good grade-point average, their best bowling accomplishments, along with submitting a 100 word essay from the entrant to

tell about his future aspirations. The entrants will be judged on merit by the committee and scholarships will be presented at the next Old Timers annual tournament in November at Thunderbowl Lanes. The funds are raised by donations of \$100 each from local interested parties and a 50-50 drawing at each Old Timers tournament in November. George Zanea of DB&T Graphics and Promotions is steering the effort in the right direction. Great work, George. When President George W. Bush gave his State of the Union address recently, he referred to our now national battle call "Let' Roll" was in reference to some of our true heroes of Sept 11. It can also be a clarion call to everybody to go bowling. Why not? Afterall, this is one of our

great American pastimes with over 50 million Americans now participating in the sport nationally. It is also rapidly growing in many other parts of the free world. Mark Doctoroff, a former resident of Birmingham, now residing in Russia, back here recently visiting his family. He said that the sport of bowling is gaining lots of enthusiasts in Moscow and other Russian cities. A few years ago there was only one bowling center in the whole country, located in a Moscow hotel. How long before we see names like Sergei, Igor and Vladimir making it to the PBA Tour? Gave them about 10 years and they might be good enough. Al Harrison, a Garden City resident, writes the Ten Pin Alley column for the Observer Newspaper. He reports on local bowling competitions in the Observerland area.

The smallest living creatures can also be the deadliest



TIM NOWICKI

NATURE NOTES
 The threat of Anthrax is real and potentially catastrophic. But it reminds me how such little things — Anthrax is a bacteria measured in thousandths of an inch — can cripple, debilitate and kill large organisms. Throughout human history the little things of the natural world have been extremely deadly. The respiratory phase of the Bubonic plague, caused by a bacteria entering the bloodstream via a flea bite, killed 100 million people in the Middle East, Europe and Asia during the sixth century. There are still outbreaks of bubonic plague in the US today. Fortunately the organism has mutated to a less virulent strain,

or humans have conferred a relative immunity to the condition, resulting in small local epidemics. Small organisms like parasites can also cause large organisms to change their behavior making them more vulnerable to predation. In Carl Zimmer's book Parasite Rex, he refers to many complex life cycles of parasites around the world. One parasite, which must enter a bird to continue its life cycle, has developed an amazing route to this destination. A fluke, looks like a flatworm, releases its eggs in droppings produced by a wading bird. The eggs are eaten by snails in which intermediate life cycle stages develop, and then leave the snail. These cercariae then enter the brain of a small killifish, which eventually affects their behavior. Affected killifish are 30 times more likely to be eaten by wading birds like herons. Inside the

bird this fluke develops and lays eggs, which are deposited in the water when the bird defecates. This fluke does not cause much of a problem for the heron, but it definitely increases the chances that the fish will be preyed upon. In Sept 2000 fisheries biologists for the state of Michigan investigated a die-off of largemouth bass in Lake George near the Michigan-Indiana border. They discovered the die-off was due to the presence of Largemouth Bass Virus. First identified in South Carolina in 1995, the virus was later identified in several other southern states, until its appearance in Lake George. Affected fish usually appear normal, but they are lethargic and less responsive to things

going on around them. This makes them more vulnerable to predation. Largemouth Bass Virus is only one of over 100 naturally occurring viruses affecting fish and is not the only thing affecting their behavior. Several states are dealing with a parasite that causes whirling disease. Affected fish swim in circular patterns and are much more vulnerable to predators. Whirling disease has been detected in Michigan, but it has not reached the severity found in some western states. Small organisms can collect in such huge numbers that together they can cause profound damage. During late summer of 2000

American beech trees in the Tahquamenon Falls State Park were identified with beech bark disease. The killing agent of this disease is a fungus, which finds entry into the tree via tiny holes created by a tiny scale insect. Unfortunately, this scale insect and the associated fungus were introduced into Nova Scotia in 1890. By the 1930s the associated organisms were found throughout the Maritime Provinces and in local areas of Maine. Now Michigan has to deal with this potentially devastating tiny organism that can kill 400-year-old trees, like those at Warren Woods south of Warren Dunes. Throughout the years minute Davids have taken down Goliaths of many different kinds. Chestnut blight and Dutch Elm Disease have practically eliminated American chestnut and American elm trees, once dominant and prolific trees from the

Eastern forests. A vigilant eye is necessary to keep minute murders from colossal carnage of all species. 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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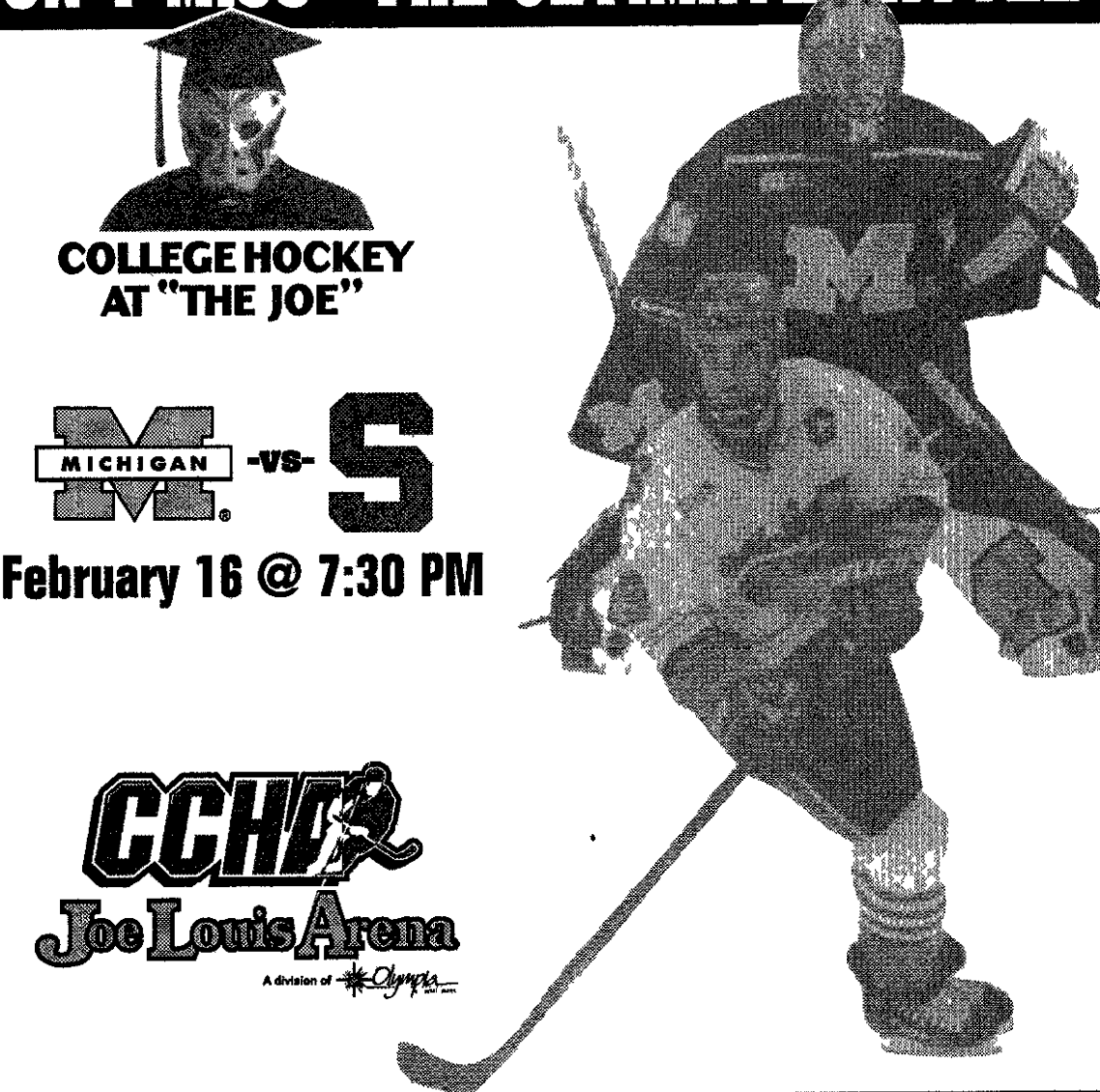
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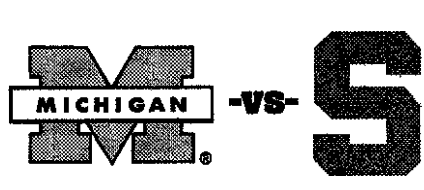
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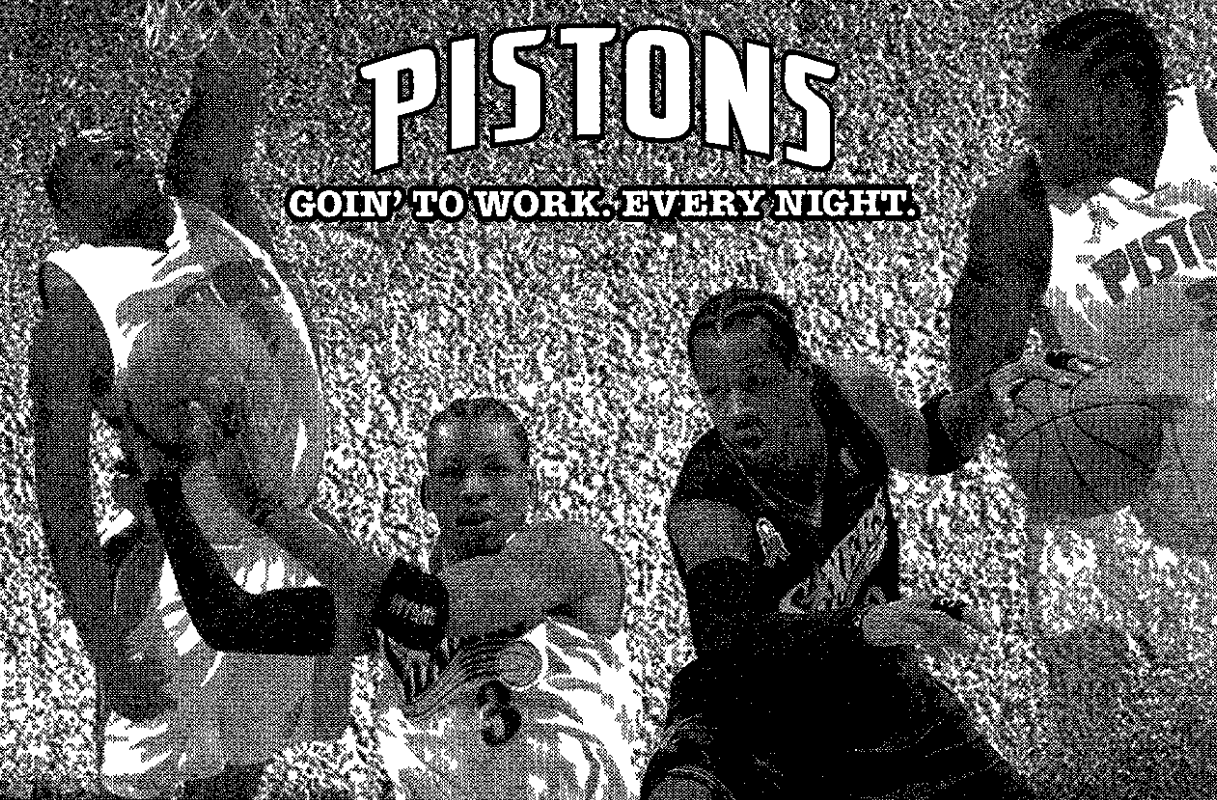


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(50 percent) and 11-of-15 from the stripe. In addition, the Chiefs forced 20 turnovers while committing 16.

Meagrow paced Canton's scorers with 16 points. Billy Gazsi had 14, Jason Priebe netted 13 and Kyle Lasko scored 10.

Northville was led by Adam Konst with 17 points. Tom Borda added 10.

"We're a man defensive team," said Rheault. "We didn't really do that much shifting. It's just that Gazsi and Lasko both did a great job. Gazsi on Konst and Lasko on (Roger) Garfield."

"They were our defensive studs tonight. And we did a good job pressuring the passer."

Canton's defensive quickness

was certainly a major factor in the victory. They limited Northville to 13 shots in the second and third quarters combined, while forcing 15 turnovers.

"They were just the better team tonight," admitted Schumacher.

Question now is, can the Chiefs build on this? This week will provide a true test. They play at Westland John Glenn Tuesday and at Farmington Harrison Friday. Each have two conference losses.

PCA 76, Roeper 46: Plymouth Christian Academy got on top in the first half and never allowed Bloomfield Hills Roesper to get back into it in a Michigan Inde-

pendent Athletic Conference game Friday at PCA.

The win evened the Eagles' MIAC record at 3-3, they are 7-5 overall. Roesper is 4-9 overall, 1-5 in the conference.

"It was a total team effort," said PCA coach Doug Taylor. "Ten guys played and scored at least five points each."

The Eagles led 12-7 after one quarter and 29-17 at halftime. A 25-10 scoring surge in the third quarter expanded their lead to 27 points entering the final period.

Ben Pew led PCA with 14 points. Aaron Ciborowski added 12 points and eight rebounds, and Clay Welton totaled seven points and 10 boards.

Salem simply proves too tough for Chelsea

It wasn't an overpowering display of talent, but Plymouth Salem once again played too well to be beaten in a non-league hockey game at Chelsea Wednesday.

Mark Nagel scored two goals and Andy Thackaberry added a goal and an assist to propel the Rocks to a 5-3 victory, stretching

their unbeaten streak to 17 games.

Chelsea took the early lead on a goal by Luke Callow just 27 seconds into the game. Salem battled back, however, scoring two unanswered goals in the second period to take a one-goal lead into the third. Brad Proodan and Nagel scored for the

PREP HOCKEY

Rocks, with David Gill and Aaron Cheesman assisting.

Third-period goals by Mike Barr (unassisted), Nagel (from Thackaberry) and Thackaberry (unassisted) clinched it for Salem.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL
Monday Feb 4
 Agape vs Whitmore Lake at Det World Outreach 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday Feb 5
 Churchill at N Farmington 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Salem 7 p.m.
 Harrison at Stevenson 7 p.m.
 Canton at John Glenn 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Farmington 7 p.m.
 River Rouge at Wayne 7 p.m.
 Gib Carlson at Thurston 7 p.m.
 Redford Union at Annapolis 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Trenton 7 p.m.
 PCA at Oak Christian 7 p.m.
 HVL at Macomb Christian 7 p.m.
 Cville at M.H. Madison 7 p.m.
 Luth N West at Luth Wslid 7 p.m.
 DeLaSalle at Borgess 7:30 p.m.
 Light & Life at St. Agatha 7:30 p.m.
Thursday Feb 7
 Huron Valley at Franklin Rd 6 p.m.
 Agape vs Ypsi Calvary at Det World Ou each 8:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb 8
 Churchill at W.L. Western 7 p.m.
 Northville at Franklin 7 p.m.
 Stevenson at Salem 7 p.m.
 W.L. Central at John Glenn 7 p.m.
 Canton at Harrison 7 p.m.
 Farmington at N Farm 7 p.m.
 Ypsilanti at Wayne 7 p.m.
 Thurston at Crestwood 7 p.m.
 Redford Union at Gib Carlson 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Woodhaven 7 p.m.
 Cville at Luth N West 7 p.m.
 Hamtramck at Luth Wslid 7 p.m.
 Baptist Pk at Ply Christian 7 p.m.
 Redford CC at Brother Rice 7:30 p.m.
 Borgess at O.L. St. Marys 7:30 p.m.
 St. Agatha at St. Alphonsus 7:30 p.m.
 Huron Valley at Bethesda 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Feb 9
 Farmington at W.L. Central 7 p.m.
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Monday Feb 4
 Churchill at Salem 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Franklin 7 p.m.
 Stevenson at Harrison 7 p.m.
 John Glenn at Northville 7 p.m.
 Canton at N Farmington 7 p.m.
 Farmington at W.L. Central 7 p.m.
 Wayne at Tay Kennedy 7 p.m.
 Redford Union at Thurston 7:30 p.m.
 Trenton at Garden City 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday Feb 5
 PCA at Oak Christian 6 p.m.
 Ligggett at Cville 6:30 p.m.
 St. Agatha at Det Urban 7 p.m.
 Benedictine at Borgess 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb 6
 Luth North at Luth Wslid 6:30 p.m.

W.L. Central at Churchhill 7 p.m.
 Franklin at Stevenson 7 p.m.
 John Glenn at Canton 7 p.m.
 Salem at W.L. Western 7 p.m.
 Northville at Farmington 7 p.m.
 Garden City at Thurston 7:30 p.m.
 Melvindale at Redford Union 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Feb 7
 HVL at Franklin Road 6 p.m.
 Hamtramck at Cville 6:30 p.m.
 Country Day at Luth Wslid 6:30 p.m.
 Inter City at Ply Christian 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb 9
 Bedford Invitational 8 a.m.
 UM Dearborn Invitational 9 a.m.
 Catholic League Playoffs TBA
 N.B. Huron Tourney TBA
PREP HOCKEY
Tuesday, Feb 5
 Salem vs Northville at Ply Cultural Ctr 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb 6
 Ladywood at Cranbrook 6 p.m.
 Stevenson vs W.L. Western Franklin vs Woodhaven at Edgar Arena 6 & 8 p.m.
 Canton vs A.A. Huron at Arctic Edge 7 p.m.
 Farm Unifed vs Country Day at Farm Hill Arena 7:30 p.m.
 Redford CC at Trenton 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, Feb 7
 Red Unifed vs Birm Unifed at Redford Ice Arena 7:45 p.m.
Friday Feb 8
 Churchill vs W.L. Central at Edgar Arena 6 p.m.
 Salem vs Gib Carlson at Ply Cultural Ctr 6 p.m.
 Canton vs Franklin at Arctic Edge 8 p.m.
Saturday, Feb 9
 Franklin vs Milford at Grand Oaks Arena 2:20 p.m.
 Red Unifed at Lincoln Pk 7 p.m.
 Redford CC vs Stevenson at Redford Ice Arena 8 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING
Wednesday Feb 6
 Clarkson RU at CC 5 p.m.
 Lutheran East Hamtramck at Clarenceville 5:30 p.m.
 Luth Wslid at Harper Wids 6 p.m.
Thursday, Feb 7
 Churchill at John Glenn 6:30 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Salem 6:30 p.m.
 Canton at W.L. Central 6:30 p.m.
 Northville at Stevenson 6:30 p.m.
 Franklin at Farmington 6:30 p.m.
 Harrison at N Farm 6:30 p.m.
 Wayne Annapolis at RU 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb 9
 Metro Conference Tourney

at Lutheran Westland 10 a.m.
 Catholic League Tourney at Dbn Divine Child 10 a.m.
BOYS SWIMMING
Tuesday, Feb 5
 Churchill at John Glenn 6 p.m.
 Redford CC at Lahser 6:30 p.m.
 Franklin at A.A. Huron 6:30 p.m.
 Wayne at Monroe 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb 6
 Redford CC vs Brother Rice at Lake Orion 7 p.m.
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 Woodhaven at Wayne 7 p.m.
GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Monday, Feb 4
 Llv Unifed vs Brighton at Dickinson Center 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb 6
 Wayne Westland vs Canton at John Glenn 7 p.m.
Saturday, Feb 9
 AA Pioneer Invitational noon
PREP SKIING
Thursday, Feb 7
 League meet at Mt. Brighton 9 a.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Monday Feb 4
 Madonna at Rochester 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Feb 6
 Cornerstone at Madonna 7 p.m.
 Schoolcraft at Oakland CC 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb 9
 Henry Ford at Schoolcraft 3 p.m.
 Madonna at Concordia 3 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
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Wednesday Feb 6
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Sunday Feb 3
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they could definitely give the Lady Ocelots all sorts of trouble.

Ooops. The only trouble Delta gave SC was in tracking down rebounds, because the way the Pioneers were shooting, there were plenty of them. Delta managed just 8-of-31 shooting in the first half (25.8 percent) as the Ocelots took a 32-22 halftime lead, it didn't get much better for the Pioneers in the second half, either shooting (10 of 31, 32.2 percent) or the end result.

Five Ocelots reached double figures in scoring, led by Pam Wingate and Kera Hill with 14 points apiece. Hill also had six assists and three steals, and Wingate grabbed 11 rebounds, seven of them offensive.

Devin Francois added 11 points, 13 rebounds and three steals, and Rachel Eley and Keysa Hamilton scored 10 points apiece, Eley adding five assists and six steals and Hamilton blocking four shots and making two steals.

Delta was paced by Crystal Weiss with 29 points and 15 boards. Kristina Porter added 11 points.

The Ocelots were hardly perfect, converting just 29-of-73 floor shots (39.7 percent) and committing 25 turnovers. But their numbers were far superior to Delta's 18-of-62 from the floor (29.0 percent) and 31 turnovers. The Pioneers were also 0-for-13 on three-point tries, SC was 4-of-11 (36.3 percent).

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MEDICAL BRIEFS

Booster blitz

Oakwood Healthcare System and the Canton Fire Department will sponsor a free "Car Seat Safety Check" 2-5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6, at the Canton Fire Department, 1105 Canton Center Road, Canton. A certified technician will check seats for size, installation and possible recall. Remember:

■ Children 40-80 pounds should ride in a booster seat, so that the adult seat belt fits them correctly.

■ Infants should ride in a rear-facing position until they are both 1 year old and weigh 20 pounds or more.

■ Never use a car seat that has been involved in a crash. It may be structurally damaged, even though it looks fine.

Oakwood Healthcare System will give a free booster seat to the first 50 persons who qualify. For more information, call

Child immunization clinic

Here's your chance to make sure little Susie and Johnny are up-to-date on all their immunizations.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia, will offer an Infant and Child Immunization Clinic from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, February 14, in West Addition A and B.

Pending availability of serum, St. Mary Mercy health care professionals will administer all routine childhood immunizations to children under age 18. Please bring all available immunization records to be updated. No registration is required. The fee is \$5 per child.

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is located 36475 Five Mile Road, at Levan Road, in Livonia. Please use the South Entrance from Levan Road. For directions or more information, call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650 (out-of-area callers only). Visit St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Web site www.stmarymercy.org.

Flu shots

Just because the weather is mild, flu is still a threat. Wayne County reminds residents that it's not too late to get your flu shot. This winter's mild temperatures should not lull people into ignoring the threat of flu, say Wayne County Department of Public Health officials.

"The good news is there is still time to get this year's vaccine," says Dr. Donald Lawrenchuk, medical director for the Wayne County Department of Public Health. "The typical influenza season runs through April each year."

The Health Department has flu vaccine to provide shots, and the pneumonia vaccine is still available for those individuals 65 years and older. A \$10 donation for the flu shot and \$16 for pneumonia vaccine are being requested, however, no one will be turned away due to inability to pay. These shots are also covered services under Medicare. County health workers will ask clients to present their Medicare cards so that these services may be billed to Medicare.

This year's influenza vaccine protects against the A/New Calendonia/20/99 (H1N1)-like, A/Moscow/10/99(H3N2)-like, and B/Sichuan/379/89-like strains.

Flu and pneumonia shots are being

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We want your health news

There are several ways you can reach the Observer Health & Fitness staff. The Sunday section provides numerous venues for you to offer newsworthy information including Medical Databook (upcoming calendar events), Medical Newsmakers (appointments/new hires in the medical field), and Medical Briefs (medical advances, short news items from hospitals, physicians, companies).

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Shovel snow at your own risk

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
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The winter storm that blew into Michigan this week came with a warning. Snow shoveling can clear a path straight to the hospital. A ferocious snow storm with out-of-shape adults — 55 percent of Michigan adults lack adequate physical activity, according to the American Heart Association — and you have a recipe for a heart attack. The combination of sudden physical exertion and the cold increase the heart's workload, requiring more oxygen.

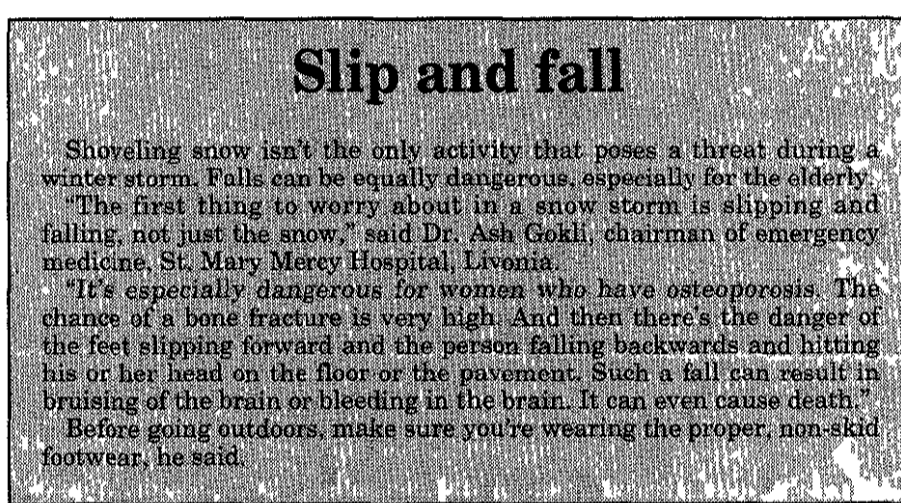
"In the last few days we have seen heart attacks from snow shoveling. Exertion in a cold climate puts significant stress on the heart," said Dr. Ash Gokli, chairman of emergency medicine at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia.

In a recent study, Beaumont Hospital researchers found that two minutes of shoveling heavy, wet snow can raise heart rate and blood pressure to levels equal to or exceeding the maximum aerobic workout — and it may lead to heart attack in inactive people at risk for heart disease.

Barry A. Franklin, Ph.D., Beaumont's director of cardiac rehabilitation and exercise rehabilitation and exercise, said "Based on our research, we believe those with a family or personal history of heart problems, or who have one or more major risk factors for heart disease, should think twice about shoveling snow, or not do it at all."

Major risk factors for heart disease include sedentary lifestyle, smoking, high blood pressure and elevated blood cholesterol.

Beaumont researchers monitored heart rate, blood pressure and oxy-



Slip and fall

Shoveling snow isn't the only activity that poses a threat during a winter storm. Falls can be equally dangerous, especially for the elderly.

"The first thing to worry about in a snow storm is slipping and falling, not just the snow," said Dr. Ash Gokli, chairman of emergency medicine, St. Mary Mercy Hospital, Livonia.

"It's especially dangerous for women who have osteoporosis. The chance of a bone fracture is very high. And then there's the danger of the feet slipping forward and the person falling backwards and hitting his or her head on the floor or the pavement. Such a fall can result in bruising of the brain or bleeding in the brain. It can even cause death."

Before going outdoors, make sure you're wearing the proper, non-skid footwear, he said.

gen consumption during snow removal in ten apparently healthy, sedentary men (average age 32 years). Each participant cleared two four-inch high tracts of heavy, wet snow using a shovel, then an electric snow thrower. The results were compared with the same measurements taken during maximum leg and arm fitness testing using a treadmill and an arm-cranking device.

The researchers found that peak heart rates during shoveling, arm cranking and treadmill testing were comparable, exceeding 170 beats-per-minute. After only two minutes of shoveling, heart rate exceeded the upper limit commonly prescribed for aerobic exercise training. Heart rate continued to increase throughout the 10-minute bout of shoveling, failing to reach a plateau. Study participants with the lowest level of aerobic fitness had the highest heart rates during shoveling.

The study also found that shoveling increased blood pressure to a much higher level than treadmill testing, arm testing or using an elec-

tric snow thrower.

The study detailed five factors that may contribute to the excessive demands of snow shoveling on the heart: upper body exercise, upright posture, isometric exertion, breath-holding, and the inhalation of cold air, which may further constrict the heart's blood vessels. In a person with the hidden or known heart disease, these factors may lead to myocardial ischemia (inadequate oxygen supply to the heart muscle, angina pectoris (chest pain) or potentially dangerous arrhythmias (irregular heart rhythms).

Safe shoveling tips

The American Heart Association wants you to clear your driveways and sidewalks in safety. They offer the following tips for shoveling snow safely.

■ Before picking up a shovel, bundle up properly. It's important to wear several layers of clothing instead of one heavy layer, so the layers can be removed as the body heats with exertion. Wear a hat

because most heat is lost through the top of the head.

■ Protect ears and hands in cold weather because they are susceptible to frostbite.

■ Start slow and take frequent rests. Avoid sudden, strenuous movements.

■ Push snow rather than lift and throw it. Use your arms and legs to lift the shovel when needed. Maintain good posture and bend at the knees, not at the back.

■ Don't drink alcoholic beverages before going outside or while out in the cold. Alcohol gives an initial feeling of warmth, caused by expanding blood vessels in the skin. Heat is then drawn away from the body's vital organs.

People with coronary heart disease often suffer attacks of chest pain called angina pectoris when they are outside in a snowstorm. Some studies suggest that cold weather itself may increase a person's risk of heart attack, especially during physical exertion.

Another danger of cold weather is hypothermia. Hypothermia is a drop in body temperature to a subnormal level. It occurs when a person's body cannot produce enough energy to keep the internal body temperature warm enough. Heart failure is often the cause of death in cases of hypothermia.

Besides cold temperature, high winds, snow and rain also can steal away body heat. Wind is especially significant because it removes the layer of air that body has heated. At 30 degrees Fahrenheit in a 20-mile-per-hour wind, the cooling effect is equal to calm air at four degrees. Similarly, dampness causes body heat to be lost more rapidly than it would be at the same ambient temperature.

First to offer

Oakwood Annapolis does laser prostate surgery

Oakwood Annapolis Hospital has announced it is the first hospital worldwide to begin using the revolutionary Niagara PVP laser photoselective vaporization procedure (PVP) for benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH).

The 20-minute procedure, performed under local anesthetic, reduces recovery time from weeks to days, is virtually bloodless, and is almost half the cost of traditional invasive surgery. The procedure yields immediate results with almost no complication or negative sexual side effects.

Dr. Mahmood Hai, Oakwood Annapolis Hospital urology specialist and clinical advisor of the system, said "This is the most effective and significant treatment I have ever used in my 25 years of treating BPH. This will become the 'gold standard' for treatment of BPH."

Oakwood Annapolis Hospital's breakthrough Niagara PVP system

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and KTP/532nm laser were developed by California-based Laserscope in consultation with Dr. Hai.

Oakwood Annapolis Hospital is the first and the only hospital in the world to perform the Niagara PVP procedure and own a KTP laser machine. Dr. Hai has performed over 50 procedures with the new laser since December 2000. He confirms its effectiveness in his training sessions.

"Niagara PVP allows a much less invasive, and, therefore, a much safer surgical experience for BPH patients. We expect the Niagara PVP procedure to completely replace existing PBH procedures in the next several years."

Because of its unprecedented high power, the KTP laser pulses, delivered through a fiber the thickness of a hair inserted in the urinary passage, completely vaporize obstructive prostate tissue. The laser seals the surrounding area, creating a virtually bloodless procedure. The procedure generally takes around 20 minutes and is generally done under local anesthetic. Recovery time is reduced from three weeks to two days. Patients can return to work the day after the operation.

More than 13 million men in the United States are diagnosed each year with BPH, and over 2 million seek treatment. Half of all men age 60 have

BPH, and the incidence of the disorder increases steadily with age so that by age 80, more than 80 percent of men have BPH.

Some symptoms of the condition include difficulty in urination, reduced flow rate, frequent urination, and incomplete urination, which can cause leaking, burning, or other discomfort while urinating.

Prior to the Niagara PVP procedure, drug and invasive surgical treatments resulted in negative side effects that included dizziness, urinary tract infections, incontinence, and even impotence.

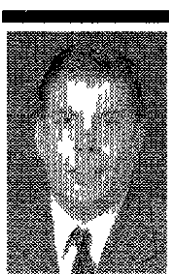
Oakwood Annapolis' procedure produces minimal side effects, and unlike previously used procedures for BPH, patients are not required to wear a catheter and can return to their normal lives within two days.

For more information, call (800) 543 WELL.

BUSINESS

Start planning for a future inheritance now

BY ERIC J. ZIMMERMAN
SPECIAL WRITER



ERIC ZIMMERMAN

Americans will inherit more assets over the next half-century than in any other 50-year period in our country's history, according to an October 1999 report by Boston College's Social Welfare Research Institute. The report estimates that U.S. citizens could leave their heirs as much as \$136 trillion in assets between 1998 and 2052.

What does this staggering estate statistic mean for you? First, you may be more likely to receive a more sizable inheritance than you think. Second, if you're a potential heir, you should start planning now to take full advantage of your eventual bequest. Here are a few points to consider:

Invest for your goals. For many people, a financial windfall can spark an urge to indulge in extravagances they wouldn't ordinarily consider. But if you

take the time to think about what you really want in life, you may realize that you'll be better off investing the money for important long-term goals.

Before doing anything with your inheritance, consider meeting with a trusted and knowledgeable financial advisor who can help you review your new financial situation. You may find that you can achieve your objectives such as college for the kids or early retirement for you sooner than you previously thought. Once you review your goals, you may want to invest your newly acquired assets appropriately.

Consider taxes. The tax relief act of 2001 may affect the size of your inheritance and the amount of estate taxes you'll have to pay.

In the past, large estates have been trimmed considerably by estate taxes before they passed to heirs (only \$675,000 was exempted from the Federal estate tax in 2001).

Thanks to the tax relief act, the amount exempted from the tax will rise to \$1 million in 2002 (and a top estate tax rate of 50 percent) up to \$3.5 million in 2009 (and a top rate of 45 percent). In 2010, the estate tax is scheduled for repeal altogether, but it will be reinstated the following year if Congress does not reauthorize the law.

The tax relief act will also eventually modify rules for calculating the stepped-up basis of inherited assets that have appreciated. Consult with your tax advisor or attorney regarding specific tax issues.

In addition, new rules for required minimum distributions from IRAs simplify the process and make it easier for beneficiaries to take distributions over

their own life expectancy. Such flexibility will help you leave assets in the IRA longer and continue to benefit from any tax-deferred growth.

Therefore, it is important to review your IRA beneficiary designations with a financial advisor to enable you to take advantage of the changes in the required minimum distribution rules. Withdrawals made prior to age 59 are subject to a 10 percent IRS penalty.

Work with your parents in planning. Probably the best way to plan for an intergenerational wealth transfer is to include both generations in the planning process. Talking with your parents about their estate goals in a sensitive, helpful manner may ensure that their affairs are handled as they wish and help you stay informed. There are many topics to discuss with your parents.

Financial and other assets. Encourage your parents to keep

an up-to-date inventory of insurance, bank, investment, real estate and other assets, so it will be easier for heirs to account for their estate. If your parents aren't comfortable sharing the information now, suggest that they at least let someone know where to find it.

Important documents. Ask your parents where their will and other legal papers can be found if they are incapacitated. These documents provide instructions on how their affairs are to be handled and can save you from having to guess at their intentions. Also suggest that your parents keep copies of such documents with their attorney or a family member, since access to their safe deposit box may be restricted at their death.

Names of professional advisors. Encourage your parents to introduce you and other family members to their financial advisor, accountant and attorney. These important contacts can

help you manage your parents' estate smoothly after their death.

An exceptional opportunity. While your share of the \$136 trillion transfer mentioned above may not be a fortune, it may offer an exceptional opportunity to move further and faster toward your financial goals. If you have received an inheritance, start planning now to help your family make the most of it.

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American Society for Quality offers scholarships

Again this year, the Ann Arbor Section of the American Society for Quality will award cash grants to local area college students who are preparing for careers in quality management.

An award of \$1,000 each will go to one Industrial Engineering undergraduate student at the University of Michigan and to one Quality Management graduate student at Eastern Michigan University.

We hope to motivate students to build careers in quality, says Dr. Bryan L. Dodson, Global Manager of Rehabil-

ity Engineering at Visteon, the \$20 billion global automotive supplier, and chairman of Ann Arbor's 750-person ASQ chapter. Why? Because using quality-related technologies intelligently powers American industry's competitive advantage.

Eligible engineering students can apply now for one of these awards by describing, in 500 words or less, how academic training and quality-related experience are preparing them for quality management careers. A typed self-nomination accompanied by an official

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transcript of academic work should be mailed no later than March 31 to Mr. G. Michael Smith, ASQ Section 1010 Education Chair, in care of Valeo Automotive Corp., 3000 University Drive, Auburn Hills, MI 48326.

Nominations will be reviewed by a committee of ASQ Ann Arbor Section quality practitioners. The cash awards will be presented in May.

The 120,000 member ASQ, headquartered in Milwaukee, Wis., promotes the

development and adoption of quality concepts, principles and techniques. Most of the quality methods now used throughout the world — including statistical process control, quality cost measurement and control, total quality management, and zero defects — were initiated by ASQ members. On a population percentage basis, the Ann Arbor Section is among the ASQ's most active components.

More information is available at www.asq.org

Nominees being sought for Women's leadership awards

Women professionals statewide can join the ranks of Dorothy Comstock Riley, Irma Elder and Margaret Byington, proven leaders and recipients of the Distinguished Service Award from the Michigan Business & Professional Association (MBPA).

The MBPA is seeking nominations now through Feb. 28, for

the sixth annual Women & Leadership in the Workplace awards in the categories of business, human service/philanthropic, media, civic affairs/government, education, professional, and small business achievement. Award criteria will consist of significant achievements in given professional fields, recognition by peers for out-

standing service, and contributions to the advancement of issues related to women in the business world.

"Michigan has a wealth of talented, dedicated women," said Jennifer Kluge, executive vice president of the MBPA. "We're committed to bringing these leaders to the forefront of our community by honoring their

achievements, and serving to encourage new generations of women leaders through their example."

Recipients will be honored by the MBPA at an awards ceremony held during the Women & Leadership in the Workplace VI conference on Thursday, April 18 at Burton Manor in Livonia.

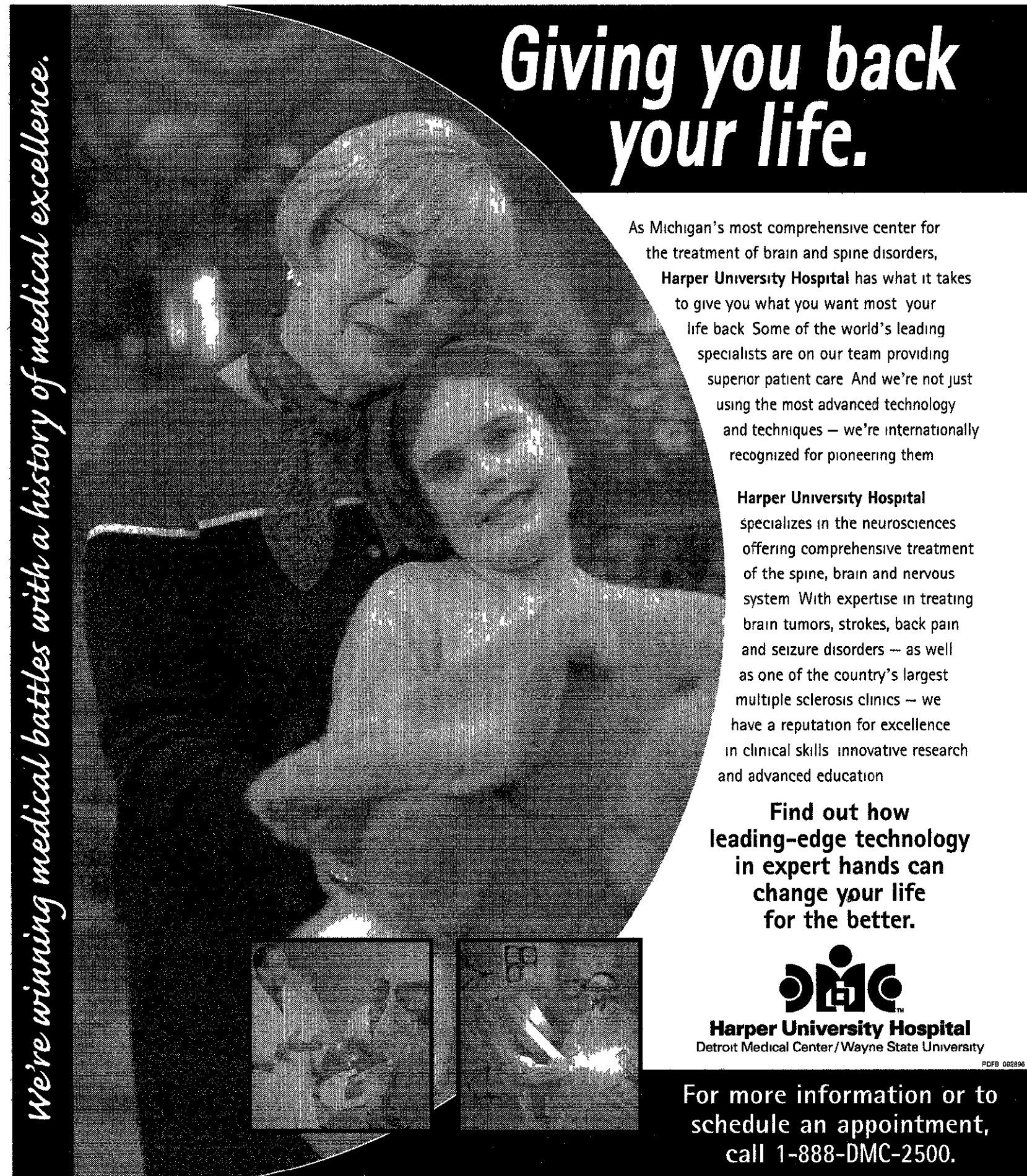
For more information, or to

receive nomination materials for an award candidate, call the MBPA at (888) 277-6464, or visit the Web site at www.michbusiness.org.

Based in Warren, the MBPA is an organization of small to medium-sized businesses that represents over 20,000 members who employ over 160,000 persons

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The other main nerve to the palm of the hand, the ulnar nerve, can become the victim of impingement, causing an ulnar nerve entrapment syndrome. The features of this condition are a numbness of the inner half of the fourth digit and all of the fifth finger digit. In addition, because the ulnar nerve controls the muscles of the hand, entrapment causes a weakness in the hands and in fine movement such as writing.

Carpal tunnel syndrome is worse at night when you are resting, but ulnar nerve entrapment causes numbness often more noticeable during the day. The reason for the difference is that compression at the wrist increases at night when your hand usually is down. Ulnar nerve entrapment occurs at the elbow, at a narrowing of the trail the ulnar nerve takes as it goes from the arm to the wrist and hand. During the day using the arm and forearm causes muscles about the elbow to enlarge and further narrows the space available for the ulnar nerve at the elbow.

Furthermore, circumstances can occur when both the median and the ulnar nerve are compressed. Hand surgeons refer to this situation as a double crush.


Treatment for carpal tunnel syndrome includes wrist splints, injection, or operation. In ulnar nerve entrapment, the only intervention that works is surgery to free up the ulnar where the nerve traverses the inside of the elbow.

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The Multiple Sclerosis Support Group meets 6 p.m. Fridays at the Livonia Family YMCA, 14255 Stark, Livonia. Call (734) 261-2161

OVEREATING

Overeaters Anonymous, a support group for compulsive eaters, meets 7-8:30 p.m. Sundays at St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, Pavilion A. Call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650

TOPS

Need help with holiday eating? Join a Take Off Pounds Sensibly support group. TOPS #29 meets 6 p.m. every Tuesday at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Call Marie at (734) 762-0386

WEIGHT CONTROL

Beaumont Hospital's Weight Control Center holds weekly seminars 1 p.m. Wednesdays for people who are mildly to severely overweight. There is no obligation or charge. The center is located at 390 Park, Suite 300, north of Maple west of Woodward, Birmingham. Call (248) 723-6300

SUPERVISED WEIGHT MANAGEMENT

St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia is offering a medically supervised weight management program sponsored by the hospital and Health Management Resources. Weekly classes. Participants are required to attend a free one-hour orientation session on any of the following dates before joining a class:
 ■ Wednesday, February 6, noon to 1 p.m.
 ■ Tuesday, February 12, 4-5 p.m.
 ■ Wednesday, February 20, 4-5 p.m.
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Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute presents Mindfulness Meditation 9:30-11 a.m. every Thursday at the Karmanos Cancer Institute Somerset Prevention Center Troy, Somerset Collection South "Community Room" lower level. Dr. Howard Schubmer, professor of medicine, pediatrics and psychiatry at Wayne State University, will be the presenter. Cost is \$50 per session, which may be billable to your health insurance. To register, call Ann Edwards at (313) 745-8266. Space is limited, pre-registration is required.

SUN, FEB. 3

CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

The Multiple Chemical Sensitivity Friends Support Group, a non-profit support group for the chemically injured, will meet 2-5 p.m. at the Good Food Co. West, 42615 Ford, Canton (1/2 mile west of I-275 at Ford and Lily). The chemically injured are those who have been made ill by exposure to such elements as pesticides, fragrances, cleaners, smoke, building materials, paint & chemical fumes, electromagnetic fields, war chemicals, industrial accidents etc. The public is welcome, but please come unscented. Call (248) 348-4972

WED, FEB. 6

MENOPAUSE

Join the Menopause Support Group St. Mary Hospital in Livonia, 7-9 p.m. and share concerns about menopause, mid-life issues and health-related matters. The group meets in West Addition B. Call (734) 655-1100 or 1-800-494-1615 (for out-of-town callers)

BUSINESS CALENDAR

WED, FEB. 6

SALES & MARKETING DINNER

Sales & Marketing Executives of Detroit will hold its monthly dinner meeting at the MSU Management Education Center, 811 West Square Lake Road, Troy (between Livernois and Crooks). Reception begins at 5 p.m. Richard T. Hahn, president and CEO of Salion, Inc., will discuss supplier challenges and opportunities in a down market. Tickets are \$45 for individual SME/D members, \$60 for non-members. Advanced registration required. Call (248) 643-6590 or visit www.smedetroit.org

THUR, FEB. 7

MARKETING SEMINAR

The Farmington/Farmington

Hills Chamber of Commerce will present a marketing seminar featuring Jay Conrad Levinson, known as the "guru of marketing," 8 a.m. to noon at the bps Corporate Training and Conference Center, 31301 Evergreen, Beverly Hills. Levinson is the author of the marketing series "Guerrilla Marketing" and writes a monthly column for *Entrepreneur Magazine*. Cost is \$75 for Chamber members and \$125 for non-members. Call (248) 474-3440, ext. 23 or visit www.fhchamber.com

MON, FEB. 11

ASQ MEETING

The American Society for Quality will meet 6-8:30 p.m. at the Southfield Marriott Hotel, 27033 Northwestern Highway Service Drive, Southfield

Joseph A. DeFeo, CEO and president, The Juran Institute, will discuss the history and future of quality management. The meeting is hosted by the Ann Arbor Section of the ASQ Section and the Great Lakes Chapter of the non-profit Project Management Institute (PMI). Dinner and program \$30. Discount for voicemail reservations placed by Feb. 7 with PMI at (248) 988-6802. For information, call Jim Armas, General Motors, (810) 899-5278

TUES, FEB. 12

CAREER WOMEN

The West Suburban Chapter of the National Association of Career Women will meet 11:45 a.m. at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth. Adam

Taub of Lyngklip & Taub Consumer Law Group will discuss identity theft. Cost is \$18 for members, \$22 for non-members. Call Brenda Durling at (734) 462-4670

WED, FEB. 13

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

Dr. Ella L. J. Edmondson Bell, an advocate for women's workplace issues, will present "Leadership Issues for Women" 7 p.m. at University of Detroit Mercy, UDM Ballroom, McNichols Campus, Detroit. Bell is the author of *Our Separate Ways: Black and White Women and the Struggle for Professional Identity*. For additional information, call Mary Ann Hazen at (313) 993-3356 or e-mail at hazenma@udmercy.edu

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Beacon Hill duplexes offer lots of privacy

The last piece of the puzzle at Beacon Hill - duplex condominiums - is now under construction at the golf course community in Commerce Township.

Eighty-eight residences are planned in the Villas phase off Carey Road about a mile north of Commerce Road.

Babcock Development and Multi Building, which have collaborated throughout the Beacon Hill project and in Canton and Northville before then, continue their partnership with the Villas.

They will construct common floor plans - a pair of two stories and a ranch - on an alternating basis. About a quarter of the building sites already have sold.

Lots of privacy

"They're duplexes, only two to a building, so you get a lot of privacy," said John Babcock of Babcock Development.

"I think Commerce is a nice location. It's close to Milford, which has a nice, quaint downtown and you can go southeast a little bit and head into the more developed West Bloomfield, Novi areas," he added.

Beacon Hill is nearly surrounded by Highland Lake State Recreation Area, Proud Lake State Recreation Area and Kensington Metropark.

Although the area still maintains a country atmosphere, the M-5 connector and M-59 give easy access to all compass points.

But there's more to recommend the Villas at Beacon Hill.

"I think the reputation of the builders and price was a big factor," Rebecca L. Banfield, sales manager, said of the number or deposits before the model was even completed.

"When people walk through (the model), they're surprised at the standard features and what they get for the money," she added. "The floor plans are very nice. It (model) flows very well and uses all the space."

Beacon Hills Golf Course, a public facility around which the entire residential community has been designed, is completed and a clubhouse with restaurant is under construction.

Play discounts will be available to residents, Babcock added.

Price plans

The ranch plan, 1,600 square feet with two bedrooms and 1-1/2 baths, carries a base price of \$239,900.

The two story of 2,025 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths, goes for \$249,900, a two story of 2,275 square feet with four bedrooms and 2-1/2 baths, \$259,900.

All three plans include at base price two-car garage, fireplace 12 by 12 wood deck, basement and landscaping.

Also standard are first floor laundry, separate tub and shower in the master, range and dishwasher in the kitchen, hardwood floor in foyer, hallway and half bath, and carpeting throughout.

Air conditioning (\$3,075) is extra.

The model, the three bedroom plan, contains a bed-



The Villas: Duplexes at Beacon Hill in Commerce are attached closet-to-closet and look like single-family homes.

room off the foyer which most purchasers probably will use as an office, great room and dining area canopied by a two-story cathedral ceiling, kitchen/nook with breakfast bar and a first-floor master with two-sink vanity and walk-in closet.

A third bedroom with a walk-in closet and bath with combination tub/shower is upstairs.

A tub/shower can be added to the downstairs half-bath for \$1,900 and a more open entry to the basement steps for \$1,250.

The model, with upgrades, carries a price of about \$290,000.

Brick, vinyl siding and dimensional shingles are primary exterior materials.

One unique aspect of the duplexes in the Villas is that they're connected only from closet-to-closet between units a length of eight to 10 feet.

The Villas will be serviced by Milford city water and sewers. They're within the Huron Valley school boundaries.

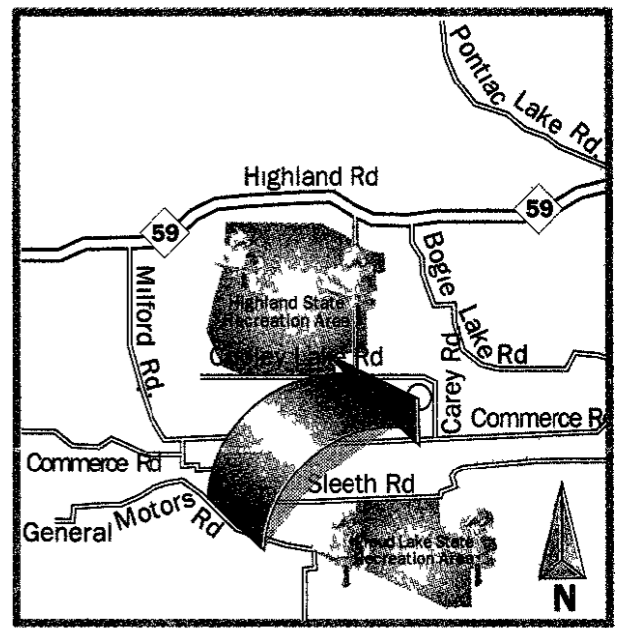
The property tax rate is \$26.71 per \$1,000 of state taxable value, half of sales price for new construction. That means the owners of a \$250,000 home there would pay about \$3,400 the first year.

The monthly association fee, which includes lawn service, snow removal and exterior maintenance, is \$125.

The sales office/model at the Villas at Beacon Hill, (248) 684-9190, is open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., closed Thursday and Friday.

BEACON HILL VILLAS

Off Carey Rd. north of Commerce Rd. in Commerce Township.



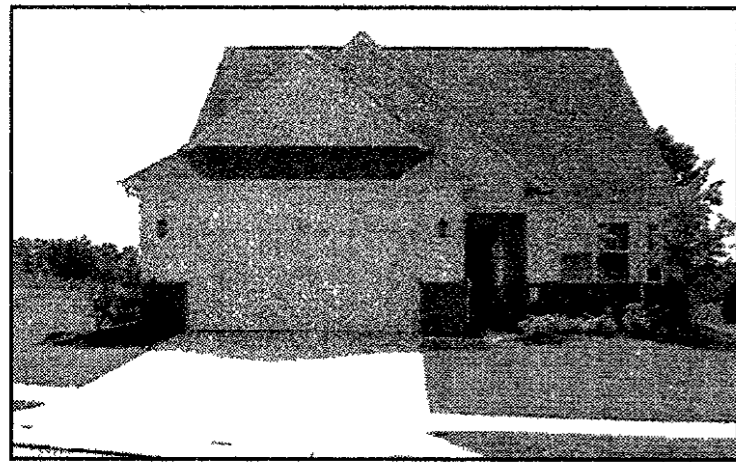
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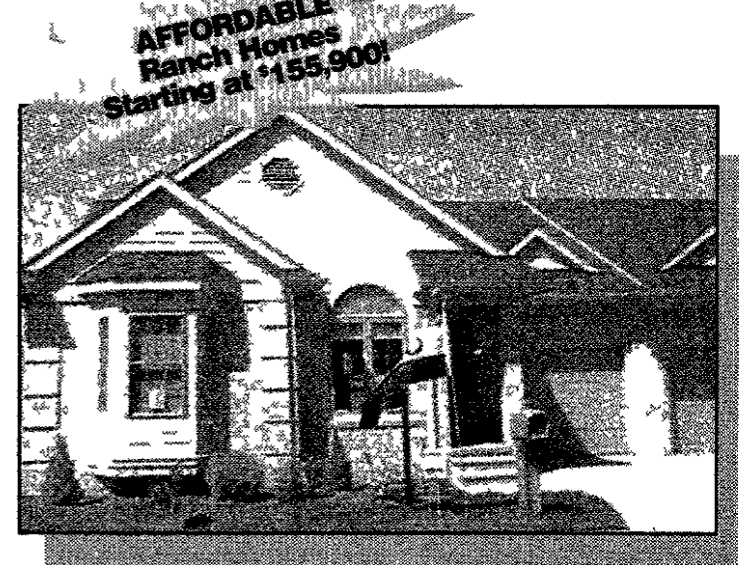
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Choosing a countertop can update the entire kitchen

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY
FOR AP NEWSFEATURES

In this age of high-priced construction countertops are getting as hard to choose as plumbing fixtures or light fixtures.

There are the solid surface materials such as Corian, Gbralter and Avonite. There are plastic laminates from Formica to Wilsonart. And don't forget ceramic tile, porcelain tile, slab and tile granite, concrete, slab and tile marble. And what about stone?

It's easy to become confused by all that's available.

In a kitchen, the countertop has as much to do with the overall appearance as the cabinets do.

In order of cost, we will class countertops into six basic categories, with the three in most common use listed first (laminates, tile and synthetic solid-surface products).

Plastic laminate

Plastic laminate has been around since the beginning of modern kitchens. We actually saw it made once. Several layers of resin coated paper are sandwiched together (and held under heat and pressure) to form what we think of as Formica.

Plastic laminate tops come in many colors and textures. The latest rage is having your plastic laminate custom-

designed to your own color, texture and style, but be prepared to spend a few bucks here.

With standard plastic laminate tops, the color is in the final layer. When it is applied at corners, you see the resin coated layers of paper as a black line.

With higher quality plastic laminate all layers of the material are colored — not just the final one. When this material is applied to a corner there is no black line.

An entire laminate counter can be installed for somewhere between \$600 and \$1,800 for most kitchens.

Ceramic, porcelain tile

There is no limit to what you can do with ceramic tile. Inlaid with real gold, burnished for texture and hand-painted finishes are just a few of the choices.

The problem here is grout lines. No one seems to want to deal with grout cleaning any more. Tile grout does require regular maintenance. Sealing the grout only means that cleaning will be easier to do.

So far we haven't heard any complaints about tile except that the surface begins to dull after about 40 years if abrasive cleaners are constantly used.

Porcelain is harder than a rock and far more durable than conventional ceramic tile. It also is more expensive. Fewer color choices are available in

porcelain. Ceramic tile and porcelain are more than twice the price of plastic laminates.

Solid-surface counters

New synthetic solid surface countertops are growing in popularity. The grout cleaning and maintenance problem disappears with solid-surface materials. We consider all of these products a good bet.

Each manufacturer has its own series of colors. Although Dupont's entry, Corian, can be sanded if burned or gouged, it remains a surface somewhat susceptible to scratching and similar damage.

Other brands are harder but cannot be repaired on the spot by a novice. Bottom line — if you decide on any of the solid-surface products, be sure to take it easy. You will be trading off grout cleaning for a surface that is less durable than tile.

Solid-surface countertop prices begin where tile prices leave off. Here the sky is the limit.

Marble, granite, stone

Marble, granite and stone tiles are for those who would prefer them in slab form. The neat thing about these tiles is that the grout line can be extremely thin. This reduces the need for extensive grout cleaning, but doesn't completely eliminate the chore.

Most marble is susceptible to damage from citric acid and alcohol. Vinegar is another mild acid that will quickly remove the shine from most polished marble surfaces. In a few seconds the surface can be devastated.

The same is true for many polished stone surfaces. Marble and granite tiles are about the same price as the solid surface products.

Tip: If you want to test stone to ensure that it won't fail as a countertop, lay a sample in the kitchen sink and pour vinegar onto the polished surface. If the shiny surface dulls, you know what will happen when it becomes a countertop.

Granite is the best of the stone tiles. It is the hardest and is impervious to just about anything. Unfortunately, because all of these products are natural, you are limited to what Mother Nature has to offer.

We think that granite tiles give ceramic tile a real run for the money when it comes to elegance.

Concrete slab (poured in place)

We don't see a lot of concrete being poured on kitchen counters (inside the home at least), but they are gaining in popularity. Concrete countertops are expensive, require a sealant and must be treated with care.

Prices for concrete tops are all over

the board. Expect to pay through the nose.

Slab marble or granite

Slab marble has the same problems as marble tiles. Alcohol and mild acids are bad medicine. Tile or slab must be handled with kid gloves. Many types of hair spray contain alcohol.

Granite, on the other hand, is extremely hard, incredibly durable and absolutely maintenance-free. Our experience is that slab granite is the single most maintenance-free surface.

You can expect to pay as much as \$200 per square foot for certain colors of slab granite. The good news is, that with its sudden popularity, granite is getting cheaper and easier to buy. Today the big box stores are offering granite installed for \$70 per square foot. Expensive, yes, but better than the \$100-plus we've been seeing.

We recently spoke with a fellow named Steve Neal, owner of Straight Line Importers in Martinez, Calif., who is part of a small new group of stone contractors selling pre-fabbed 8-foot long counters — ready to install — for \$30 to \$50 per square foot (depending upon the color).

That's less than the cost of most popular synthetic solid-surface materials. Neal says that colors are limited to five now, but 12 will be available soon.

In-home water filters and devices

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Last year, Americans spent more than \$700 million on in-home filters and devices designed to rid water of impurities. The larger the water supplier, the more likely that it is in compliance with EPA standards. Even so, there may be periods when the contaminant level rises

until corrective action is taken.

A clean bill of health at the treatment plant might not tell the whole story. Water can pick up contaminants as it travels from the utility, and can even become tainted while sitting in your pipes.

And if you're one of the 40 million people who get water from private wells, it's your job alone to monitor and control water quality.

Your water can be checked for the presence of lead, bacteria or other contaminants by your local health department or an independent, state certified testing lab as listed in the Yellow Pages.

Expect to pay from \$20 for a single test to more than \$100 for a full range of tests.

There are two places to treat water in your home — where the water enters your house and at

the tap. Some of the commonly used systems include sediment filters which remove particles and partially dissolved solids. They're often used in conjunction with a larger system to remove particles before they reach other filters.

Distillation units use a heating coil to turn water into vapor, leaving the impurities behind. A condensing coil returns the vapor to its liquid state. Disinfecting units use an ultraviolet light or chlorination or ozonation to kill bacteria.

Carbon filters are designed to screen out certain contaminants that may give the water an unpleasant odor or taste. But it takes solid block filters to remove heavy metals such as lead or mercury. Filters designed to reduce the level of fluoride may contain activated alumina.

Reverse osmosis systems use a

membrane to screen contaminants. A percentage of water is cleaned and collected in a storage tank. The remainder flushes away impurities.

Water softeners don't improve the quality of drinking water, but they reduce the hard water mineral film left on clothes and dishes, as well as scale deposits inside pipes. Water softeners work by exchanging the ions in minerals with sodium.

You might need more than one technique to take care of your own drinking water problem. It's common for all the treatment techniques to be accompanied by carbon filters.

But whether you're hiring a professional installer or doing the job yourself with a system bought from a hardware store or home center, be sure to check what each system is designed to do before buying.

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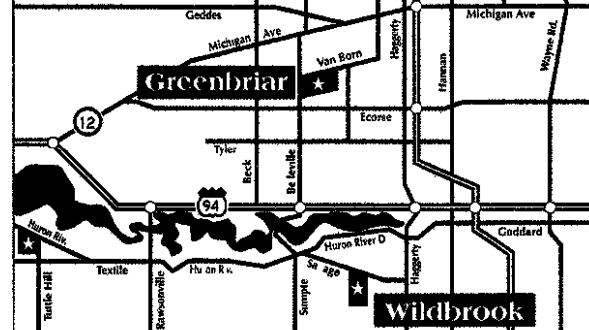
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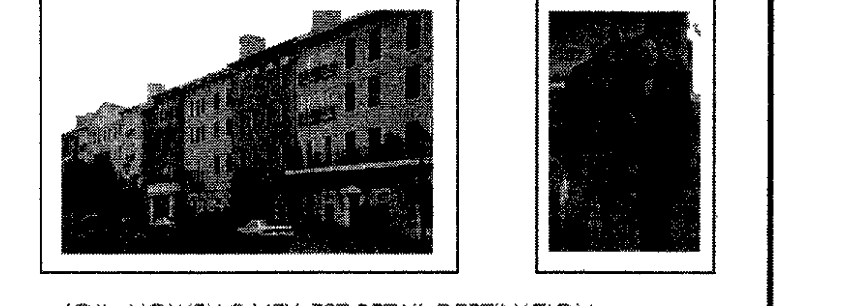
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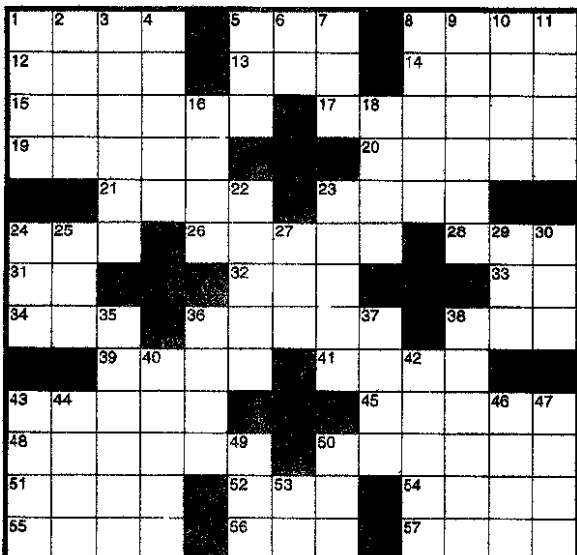
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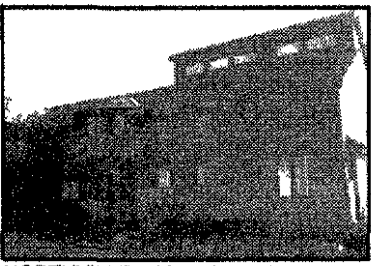
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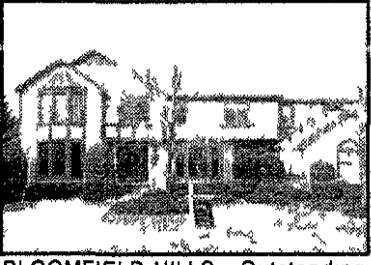
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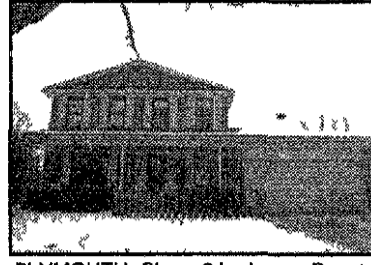
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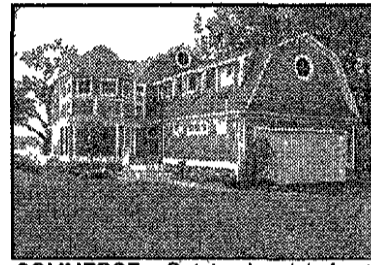
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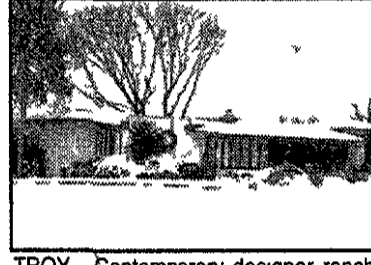
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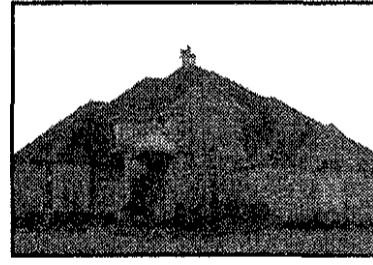
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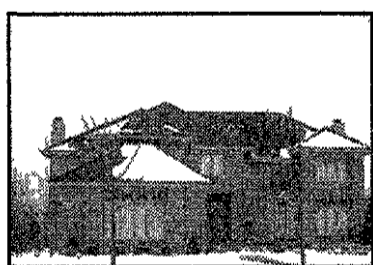
NOVI Shown with pride Custom colonial Northville schools Great family area 4 Bedroom 3 bath 3 car garage 2 years old Overlooks protected 1 story foyer 9 ceilings walk out lower level Large cedar deck All amenities needed for living & entertaining \$569 000 (80BAR) 248 349 5600



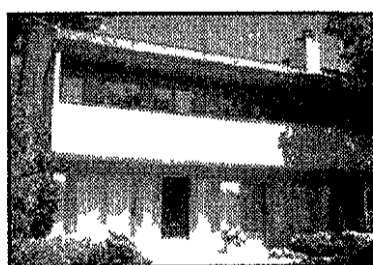
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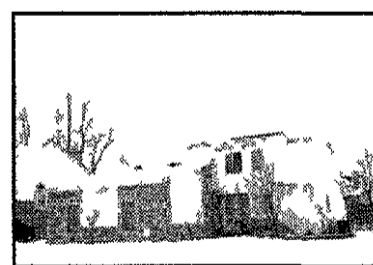
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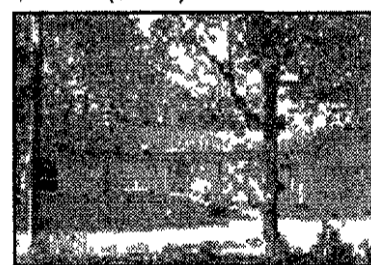
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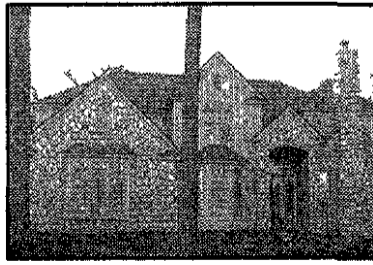
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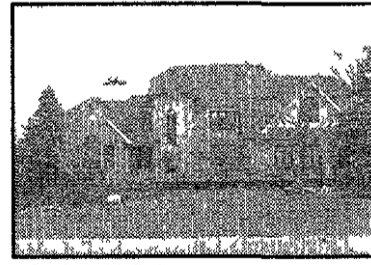
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