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Off to Lansing: Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Banks boarded a bus at Madonna University Tuesday to join other county commissioners on a trip to the capital to lobby against an airport authority plan. See story, Page A10.

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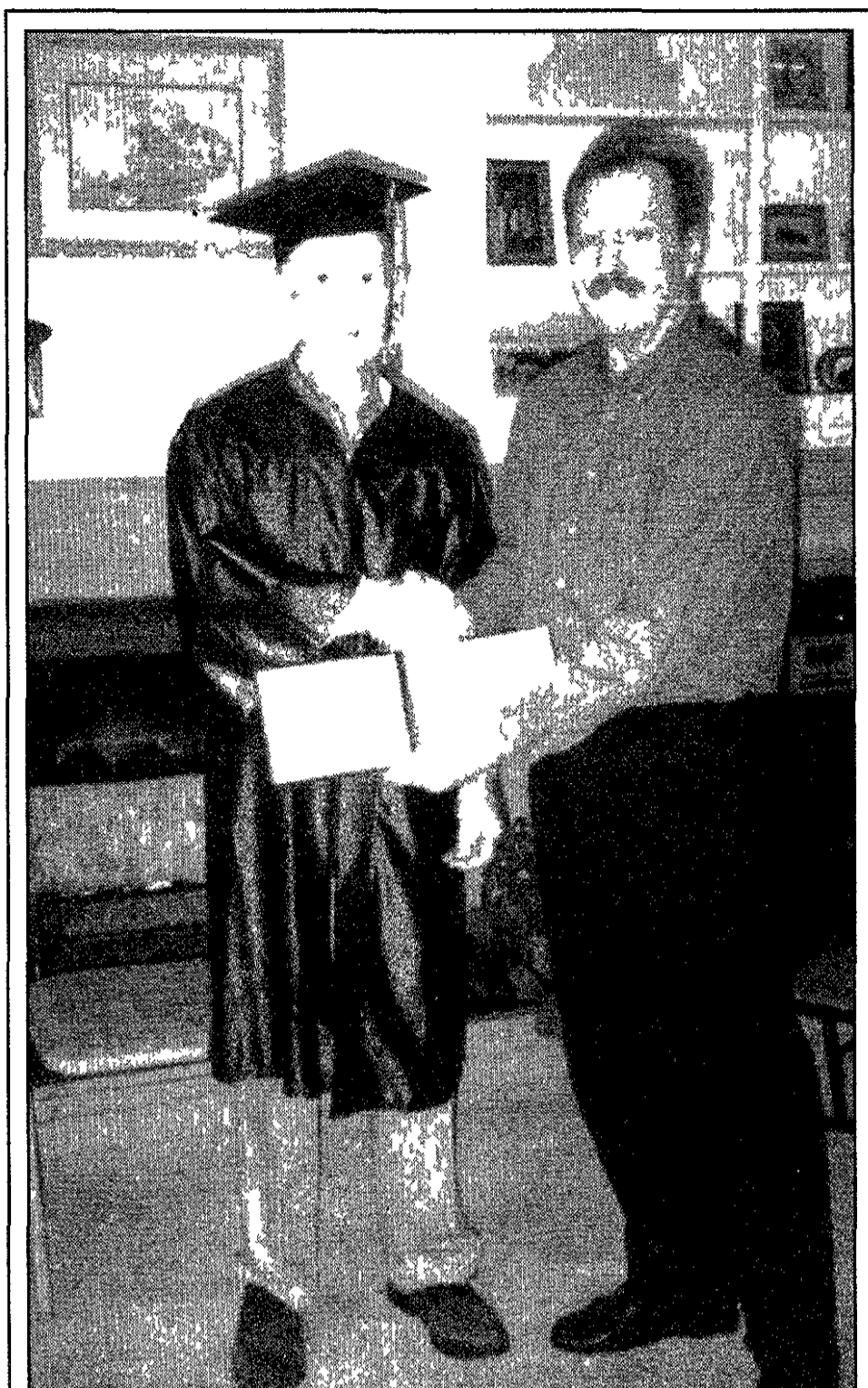
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So proud: Charles Phillips, left, of Garden City shows off his high school diploma he got with the help of his son, Ron of Livonia

School days

Former marine nabs high school diploma

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Two years ago, Charles Phillips of Garden City was celebrating his granddaughter's high school graduation when he put on her cap and tassel. "This is the closest I'll get to wearing these," he commented to family members. Phillips, 77, quit Plymouth High School in 1943, during his junior year, to join the Marine Corps. "Two of my friends and I went to see *The Shores of Tripoli* at the Penn Theatre and decided we would join

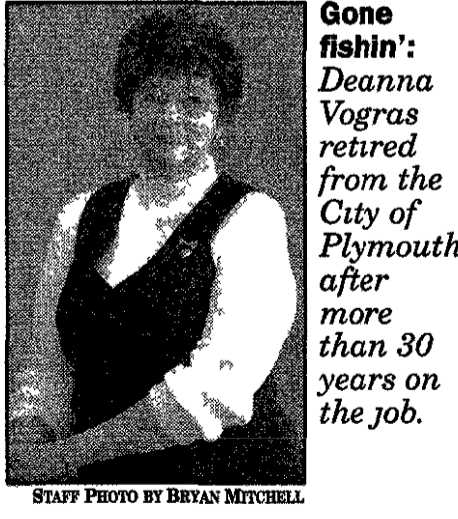
the next day," remembers Phillips. "It was the thing to do at the time." Phillips spent the next three years in the Marine Air Corps, transporting wounded soldiers and supplies throughout the South Pacific, flying to places like Iwo Jima and Okinawa. After his military stint, Phillips took a job at Ford Motor Company, before eventually spending 38 years at the old Burroughs company in Plymouth Township (now Unisys) as a quality engineering analyst. "I didn't really worry about not having a high school diploma when I got to Burroughs," said Phillips. "It

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Three decades later, worker hits the road

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It's not like Deanna Vogras was counting down the time. But Tuesday, after 30 years, 6 months and 3 days, Vogras retired from her job with the city of Plymouth. Vogras, 62, Building Department secretary, said she "never thought I would be working 30 years in one place. Time goes by so fast." However, after her husband Ken, former Plymouth director of public works who retired after 35 years, had a scare with cancer, Vogras decided it was time to do some traveling. And, she's not going to let the grass grow under her feet. First it will be five weeks in Florida, then on to Arizona, before a golf trip in the middle of the summer. "It's kind of scary to retire, knowing that I won't be working again," she said. "I'll miss not being with the people I enjoy." Vogras began her stint with the city working in the Department of Public Works (currently Municipal Services Department), before transferring to the recreation department, and then the



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treasurer's office before finishing the last nine years in the building department. "We get compliments on our building department for being so friendly," she said. "We help people get inspections done, and can accommodate them better than some bigger departments." Vogras was born in the former Ply-

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Arbitrator rules township must rehire fireman

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When Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann fired firefighter Rick Tefend in May, the 10-year veteran said he didn't deserve to be fired and vowed he'd get his job back. Last month, an arbitrator agreed with him. Tefend was reinstated by arbitrator Donald F. Sugerman, who in a 19-page ruling wrote the township did not have just cause for firing him, and said the department must reinstate Tefend "without prejudice to his seniority" and "make (Tefend) whole for any loss of earnings and benefits he may have sustained." Tefend started back to work Jan. 27. "I'm pleased with the decision," Tefend said. "I didn't do anything wrong. I was nothing less than upfront and honest with (the township) and the doctor. I did everything the township's doctor told me to do." Fire chief Larry Groth said he disagreed with the arbitrator's decision. "The arbitrator ruled, and we have to accept that ruling," Groth said. "I don't

necessarily agree... but we're going to abide by the ruling." The dispute erupted when township officials were shown videotape of Tefend working a second job while collecting worker's compensation for injuries suffered fighting a fire late in 2000. The video was collected by the company that provides the township's insurance, and shows Tefend doing various tasks, including moving equipment, at Tefend's Lake & Trail Power-sports, a store he owns in Erie, Michigan. Armed with the videotape, Mann said the decision to fire Tefend was easy. "A lot of the firefighters have second jobs. The problem here is he was working a second job and said he was hurt and couldn't work for us," Mann said in May. But Tefend contends, and the arbitrator ultimately agreed, that he was doing things doctors told him he could do. The doctors, both representing the township's interests, cleared Tefend to return to the fire department without restrictions. The videotape was taken

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Hearings set for Harvey motions as township files appeal

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Plymouth Township officials and Rosemary Harvey may know by March 8 whether they're going to trial in Harvey's lawsuit against the township and treasurer Ron Edwards. Then again, they may not. The two sides are scheduled to be before Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Susan Borman, who has indicated she will rule on a series of motions made by both sides regarding the scope of the evidence that could be presented if the case makes it to trial. However, Borman is reportedly still insisting the sides reach a settlement. At last count, the parties were still far apart on what they think such a settlement should be worth. "I can't comment on negotiations," said Marvin Stempien, the lawyer representing Harvey. "I don't think negotiations should be discussed in the press. Hopefully, we'll reach a resolution. If we don't, we'll start a trial." Harvey has dropped her demands from an original asking price of \$1.6 million down to \$165,000, plus lifetime health care for her and her children. The township last week upped their original \$65,000 offer to \$140,000, which is the amount a mediator suggested the case was worth to settle. Borman is scheduled to rule March 8

on Stempien's motion limiting the time period from which evidence can be offered to August 1996 to November 2000. "There are a lot of things (the township) wants to bring in that are irrelevant," Stempien said. "Trials are about evidence that is relevant." The township, on the other hand, wants to widen the time frame in order to introduce evidence they say shows problems in the township administration caused by Harvey. "The evidence we're trying to introduce is relevant," Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann said. "If it's not relevant the court is not going to allow it. The sole reason (Stempien) is trying to limit this evidence is it shows things about his client he does not want to be seen. It's that simple." Meanwhile, the township on Tuesday filed an emergency appeal on Borman's decision to let Harvey's Whistleblower claim stand. They'd also like Borman to delay further proceedings until the appeal is either denied or heard, but they aren't hopeful. On the appeal, though, Mann is holding onto his optimism. "Obviously we're hopeful," he said. "If we didn't think there was a chance it may be heard and granted, we wouldn't have filed it. However, chances of emergency appeals being heard before trial are somewhat slim, so we'll just

Grant could help DDA get started in 2003

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While the newly chosen Plymouth Township Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors is concentrating on producing the crucial development and tax-increment financing plans, decisions are being made about the first project the DDA will tackle. The township has applied for a grant through the Michigan Department of Transportation that could bring nearly \$1 million to help the DDA get started. The Transportation Enhancement Activity grant could be worth \$572,000, plus matching funds from both the township and MDOT, if approved. The township would use that money to do streetscapes, brick columns and

decorative fencing along Ann Arbor Road from Eckles to just west of Hagerly. "If it is approved, we may see some work next year," said Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann, who also chairs the DDA board. "That would be great, because we could piggy-back on improvements MDOT is planning for Ann Arbor Road." If the grant doesn't come through, Mann said, it might be awhile before township residents see any evidence of the DDA along the Ann Arbor Road corridor. The DDA board must get its development and TIF plans approved before tax equalization day in May. Assuming that happens on time, the township would collect its first money

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Arts council sets dinner, auction

Polish those cowboy boots, slip on some denim and come out and bid at the Plymouth Community Arts Council annual dinner and auction "Denim & Diamonds" beginning at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2 in St. John Conference Center, 4404 Five Mile Road. More than 250 items for a silent and live auction will be

sold to highest bidders at the event which features a sit-down Western-themed dinner. Auction items include vacation, golf and sports packages, jewelry, art, specialty dinners, furniture, a kayak and much more. Tickets are \$75, \$65 for PCAC members. Call (734) 416 4278.

"Each auction gets better and better each year," said Diane Harrison of Plymouth Township, now in her second year as chair of the event. The Raisin Pickers, a folk and bluegrass ensemble will perform. Proceeds from the event benefit arts council programming including summer concerts, art

exhibits and student events. "We pride ourselves on having a fun evening," said Stella Greene, development director for the PCAC. "We know how to throw a good party." Organizers say this year's event will be relaxed and interactive with music, fine food, auction items and express checkout.

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at the end of the year. But the capture from a single year won't be enough to do much, Mann pointed out.

"If we're not fortunate enough to get the grant, it might be a couple of years," he said. "We have to wait for money to accumulate before we can go forward."

Even without the grant, if the DDA has to wait a couple of years for the proper funding level, Mann said the Ann Arbor Road stretch between Eckles and Haggerty is a good place to start. He said the I-275 entry, which potentially can see thousands of visitors a day, makes the township's eastern most edge the right starting point.

"Even without the grant, my idea would be to start there," Mann said. "That's the entryway into the community. It also makes more sense than starting at the west end, because we've still got the unresolved issue of the city's involvement."

Mann is hoping city commissioners, thus far hesitant to get involved, will have a change of heart when they see concrete plans for the corridor.

"Maybe if we start on the east, they'll see the improvements and there will be a shift in attitude," Mann said.

Mann said preliminary figures put together by McKenna Associates show the DDA hopes to have captured nearly \$2.6 million in 2005, which would be used for

projects such as landscaping around the I-275 interchange, a viaduct project and preliminary engineering in preparation for burying utility lines. Three years later, an expected \$4.6 million capture could pay for projects such as streetscaping from Haggerty to Sheldon, improvements at Tonquish Creek and overhead utility burial from Lilley to Haggerty.

Whatever happens, Mann hopes to catch up to what's being done in Livonia. He notes, somewhat wistfully, that Plymouth was talking about a DDA long before the City of Livonia began improving their stretch of Plymouth Road.

It started in Plymouth 10 years ago, when the township and city won an award for their combined efforts in coming up with the ordinance governing development of both sides of Ann Arbor Road. It was the first time two communities had come together to develop an ordinance covering a road that serves as the border for both communities.

"The township board at the time should have continued with that momentum, instead of letting neighboring communities run past us," Mann said. "Livonia formed the DDA, accumulated funds and implemented several steps of their enhancement and moved forward, all while we've sat in the back row and watched."

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Clarification

A story in the Feb. 17 Plymouth Observer incorrectly spelled the name of Ray Berta, one of the people working to restore the Penney Farmhouse on Joy Road in Canton. The story also should have listed Terry Penney as the son of Avery and Madeline Penney.

School direction

Residents of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools will have an opportunity to give the Board of Education input on what makes successful schools. Trustees will listen to public comments on Saturday, March 9, from 9-11 a.m. at Discovery Middle School, located at 45083 Hanford in Canton. Board members will be listening to comments, but won't debate issues at this meeting.

Golf lessons

Oasis Golf Center in Plymouth is offering free "Learn to Golf" clinics on Friday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. through April 1. The clinics, led by golf professionals, focus on proper stance, swing, grip and set-up golf techniques for beginners. The clinics are open to the public.

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Oasis Golf Center is located at 39500 Five Mile. For more information, call (734) 420-GOLF, or visit www.oasisgolfcenter.com.

Celebrity reader

Community Federal Credit Union has announced that it will co-sponsor radio celebrity Jackie Puritan, of Puritan's People on WOMC (104.3 FM), for a weekly story time at area libraries during National Reading Month in March.

Puritan will read stories for children, ages kindergarten - 2nd grade, at 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday in March, at area libraries. The first two will be local visits. Puritan will read March 5 at the Canton Library, 1200 S. Canton Center, and March 12 at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main.

"We have maintained a strong commitment to education and literacy in the communities where our members live and work," credit union president Roger Ballard said. "We are proud to co-sponsor this event with WOMC to benefit children during National Reading Month."

With more than 34,000 members and total assets exceeding \$254 million, Community Federal Credit Union is headquartered in Plymouth. Its membership is open to anyone who lives or works in the communities of Plymouth, Canton, Northville and Novi, and in Otsego and Montmorency counties. For more information, call (734) 453-1200 or (877) 937-2328, toll free.



Jackie Puritan

Easter greens



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Getting ready: At Sparr's greenhouse on Joy Road, Jason Burke of Plymouth sets stakes in the hydrangea plants so when they bloom they won't fall over from the weight of the flowers. The flowers will be all ready for Easter and the other greenhouses are full of growing plants for spring.

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Former Pioneer principal enters no contest plea

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Former Pioneer Middle School principal Tom Owens pleaded no contest to a charge of indecent exposure in connection with an Aug. 15 incident in Hines Park.

Jury selection was expected to begin Tuesday in 16th District Court in Livonia. However, the no-contest plea was presented to and accepted by Judge Robert Brzezinski. Sentencing is scheduled for March 18.

The plea comes more than a month after the Plymouth Can-

ton Board of Trustees approved a settlement with Owens, who had been suspended with pay since the incident. Under terms of the Jan. 22 agreement, Owens will be a consultant to the district through June 30, working on several Educational Services Department special projects. At that time, Owens will accept the buyout package being offered to administrators in the district.

However, unlike the nine other administrators who are receiving a \$60,000 payout over eight years, district officials said Owens' deal will give him a net present value lump-sum pay-

ment of \$42,500.

Owens, principal at Pioneer for five years, was arrested in the Levan Knoll area of Hines Park in Livonia for allegedly exposing himself to an undercover Wayne County sheriff's deputy.

His attorney John Allen of Detroit, said earlier the financial settlement with the district was reached "because 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."

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was steady work, and the pay was pretty good. I gained a lot of experience from the college of hard knocks."

However, as time went on, Phillips thought more and more about that high school diploma.

"In the latter years, the people I was working with all had college degrees," he said. "Here, I didn't even have a high school education and I was telling them what to do. You feel like a second-class citizen."

One day, while listening to the radio, his son, Ron, of Livonia, heard about a program called Operation Recognition, in which veterans who left high school to serve their country could get a diploma.

"My dad tried to take some classes at Wayne State to get his diploma, but with working and a family it just didn't work out," he said. "This was something I really wanted for him."

Ron did secure a diploma from the program, out of Placer County, Calif. He went a step further.

He found out about a bill in the Michigan legislature that would honor veterans the same way Ron talked to several lawmakers, followed the bill as it worked its way through the House and Senate, and got his wish as it was finally signed by Gov. John Engler in December.

The next step was to get the diploma in time for his father's 77th birthday celebration scheduled for Feb. 24.

Ron Phillips convinced the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education to take up the issue at its Feb. 12 meeting. Trustees approved the policy to award diplomas to veterans, waived the second reading and adopted the resolution. The district, along with giving Phillips his diploma, tossed in the mortarboard and tassel.

The diploma was presented to the elder Phillips at his birthday celebration with his wife, three children, several of his 10 grandchildren, and his newborn great-grandchild on hand to watch.

"It took me a while to get it, 59 years," said Phillips. "I never thought I'd ever get one. It really was a surprise."

"Now that I have one, it gives me a little more pride and satisfaction," he said.

Norma, his wife of 53 years, couldn't believe what she had just witnessed.

"It brought tears to my eyes," she said. "It was really touching. It's never too late to get a diploma."

His daughter, Lori McGuire of Garden City, believes veterans deserve to get their diplomas for serving their country.

"Even though he didn't talk about it much, I knew how important it was to him," she said. "He has more knowledge and wisdom than many people with college degrees. He's a very intelligent man. He just lacked the diploma to say so."

Phillips, despite not having his diploma, has always known the importance of getting an education.

"I stressed to my kids that if you don't get a good education, you'll end up running a punch press or something," he said.

"I know how important education is for him because he stressed it to me all the time," said Ron Phillips, who has both an MBA and a degree in industrial engineering. "There was no doubt I was going to school to get a good job."

Next on the agenda for Charles Phillips: Getting his college degree.

"I'm deciding where to go," he said with tongue in cheek, "Notre Dame or Michigan."



Experience sells: Gerry Kitchen, left, Pat Grzywacz, Rose Ashlee, Ken West, Deanna Vogras, Ken Vogras and Judy Zirblis got together at Deanna Vogras' retirement party. Between them, these retirees have a combined 156 years of service to the city.

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mouth Hospital and is a graduate of Plymouth High School, now Central Middle School. She's seen plenty of other changes during her 30-plus years employed by the city, most of which she considers positive.

"The city never looked better. It's become very upscale," she said. "Things are going to change. They don't last forever."

Despite the financial problems and delays constructing the Mayflower Centre, Vogras was always certain it would be

completed. "We knew they were going to make it some day because we listened to the owners," she said. "It's hard to listen to people take shots at them. Even homeowners run into money problems. We just try to help them out."

Building Official Jim Penn said Vogras won't be easily replaced.

"You don't find someone who has the background Deanna has when a question or call comes in, she has the answers," said Penn. "There's going to be

a big void."

Penn, known for telling a joke or two, said Vogras deserves the accolades. But added:

"She's been an excellent secretary. She must be if she hasn't said anything bad about me."

As for leaving, Vogras puts her retirement into perspective.

"I have the most seniority, and am the oldest person who works here. So, it's time for me to move on."

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Foundation scholarship is tribute to Sept. 11 victim

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The Canton Community Foundation has added five new scholarship opportunities for local residents this year, including one set up by the family of Canton native Meredith Whalen, who was killed when the World Trade Center collapsed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The Meredith L. Whalen Memorial Scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to a female student from Canton or Plymouth majoring in business at any college or university.

"She was such an ambitious, success oriented person. We're hoping to attract someone similar" for the scholarship, said Joan Noricks, foundation president.

Whalen, 23, worked as a financial analyst for Fred Alger Management Co., on the 93rd Floor of Tower One in the trade center. She was believed to be at her desk when the first hijacked plane hit the building.

Noricks said the scholarship came about from a personal connection and the family's wish to make a positive statement in the

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Here is the list of Canton Community Education Grants available for 2002. For scholarship requirements and details, call the Canton Community Foundation, (734) 398-5000.

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- Canton Business and Professional Women - \$300 maximum up to two available.
- Canton Chamber of Commerce Grant - \$500, two available.
- Canton Historical Society/Robert Boyer Scholarship - \$500, one available.
- Yazaki North America, Inc. Grant - \$3,000 scholarship, renewable for four years, two available.

Canton and Plymouth Applicants:

- Boyer's Meat Processing, Inc. Scholarship - \$500, one available.
- Canton Community Foundation/Eastern Michigan University Grant - \$500, four available.
- Canton Community Foundation/Lawrence Technological University Grant - \$1,000, two available.
- Canton Community Foundation/Schoolcraft College Grant - \$500, two available.
- Canton Community Foundation/University of Michigan Dearborn Grant - \$500, two available.
- Denaki Family Scholarship - \$500, one available.
- Harold Rosin/Canton Community Foundation Grant - \$500, three available.
- Kiwanis Club of Plymouth Canton Breakfast Grant - \$500, one available.
- Penelope Hope Kiel Scholarship - \$500, one available.
- President's Student Service Scholarship - \$1,000, three available.
- Regal Construction, Inc. Scholarship - \$500, one available.
- Wade-Trim Scholarship - \$1,000, one available.
- Meredith L. Whalen Memorial Scholarship - \$500, one available.

wake of the tragedy.

In addition to the family's donation, one of Whalen's former employers contributed and Canton Township added money collected locally following the attacks. Enough was raised so that the scholarship is now an endowment.

"This scholarship will be here forever. That's the legacy of Meredith," Noricks said.

The four other new scholarships are from the Canton Historical Society, Boyer's Meat Processing, Regal Construction and Wade-Trim Associates.

All four highlight the scholarship program's philosophy of awarding grants to non-traditional students or those in specific fields of study.

For example, a \$500 scholarship from Regal Construction in

Canton is designed for students studying construction management, in a skilled trade apprenticeship or other trade-related fields. It is open to students enrolled at vocational/trade schools or other appropriate institutions.

The Canton Historical Society/Robert Boyer Scholarship is for students majoring in history related programs at Michigan

colleges and universities. Noricks said someone studying art history or planning to be a history teacher would qualify.

"The goal is to be true to the desire of the donor but make it wide enough to attract a good field of applicants," Noricks said.

All told, 17 different scholarships and grants totaling \$22,600 will be awarded this spring. The majority are available to students living in either Plymouth or Canton. Yazaki North America is continuing its \$3,000, four-year renewable grant for students attending a Michigan school. Grants are awarded each year to one male and one female high school senior.

The deadline to apply for the scholarships is April 12.

Applications are available from the foundation office, the Plymouth and Canton libraries, the Canton Chamber of Commerce office, guidance counselors' offices at Salem and Canton High Schools and from local parochial schools.

Noricks said plans were underway to make the application form available on Canton's Web site, www.canton-mi.us.

Tefend

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Feb. 5 and Feb. 8, and Tefend returned to work Feb. 14, 2001.

The arbitrator reviewed the videotapes and noted 16 separate incidents, most of them very brief and showing Tefend using both hands. Although calling the incidents "suspect," Sugerman ruled the incidents "neither individually nor as a whole are incompatible with his objective medical findings and improving condition."

According to Sugerman, Tefend didn't claim he couldn't work or resist working, but "reported on pain he experienced."

"The videotapes were taken at a time after a steroid injection and only days before (Tefend) returned to work," Sugerman wrote. "The brief episodes of physical exertion did not establish (Tefend) had misrepresented his condition to (the doctor)."

That was Tefend's point all along.

"There was nothing on the tape contrary to what the doctor said I should or should not do," Tefend said.

Mann disagreed then, and he still disagrees.

"We're disappointed," the supervisor said. "If the situation came up again, we'd take the same action. We're not going to pay salary and benefits for someone working a second job when they should be here serving the township."

Tefend is entitled to back pay and benefits, a package the parties are still discussing. Also, while Tefend was out of the department, he missed a chance to take the lieutenant's exam, a promotion the Plymouth Community Firefighters Association says the township should now hand to Tefend.

"Our position is he gets promoted," said new union president Chris Mack, who replaced Jim Haar Jan. 1. "Who's to say he wouldn't have earned the promotion?"

That issue is also being negotiated.

"None of that is settled yet," Groth said. "We're still hashing that over."

For his part, Tefend is still a little confused about why the township took such drastic action.

"I don't have an answer," Tefend said. "There's nothing in my employee file except commendations. I've never been disciplined, so I don't know. There's no paper trail to say I'm a bad employee."

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ROBERT JAMES BRADEN

Services for Robert Braden, 78, of Plymouth will be held March 1 at Plymouth First United Methodist Church with the Rev



Robert Braden

Township

Mr Braden was born June 17, 1923 in Bellefontaine, Ohio and died Feb 25 in Plymouth. He lived in Michigan since the age of 12, with the exception of 12 years spent in Long Beach, Calif. Mr Braden retired as a master barber in 1970 and embarked on a full-time career as a starting judge for harness races at several Michigan pari-mutual tracks, including Northville Downs, Hazel Park, Wolverine Raceways, Jackson and Saginaw and at county fairs in Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana. He retired in 1988 and was highly respected by drivers, stewards and management.

Mr Braden served in the Navy for four years during WWII in the Pacific Theater as a Pharmacist's Mate, Second Class. He was assigned largely to the island of Okinawa as part of a team attached to the Second Marine Division, special augmented Hospital Unit No. 8. He later attended The University of Notre Dame on the GI Bill where he earned a business degree.

Mr Braden was a member of the Plymouth First United Methodist Church, Plymouth Elks Lodge No. 1780 and the Backus Masonic Lodge 55. He was a member of the United States Trotting Association and a Life Member of the Michigan Harness Horsemen's Association. He and Nancy were married for 22 years.

Survivors include wife, Nancy J. of Plymouth, sons, Michael (Ellen) Braden of White Lake, James (Anita) Braden of Belton, Mo., and Guy (Debbie) Braden of Niles, step-children, David Keith of Plymouth, Susan (Richard) Cook of Tucson, Ariz., Patricia (Rick) Byler of Jackson, and Barbara (Edward) Underwood of Kailua, Oahu, Hawaii, 13 grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, and brother, Gene (Janice) Braden of Elkhart, Ind.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Plymouth First United Methodist Church or Hospice of Washtenaw.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. James Skimins officiating. Burial was at Acacia Park Cemetery in Beverly Hills. Mrs. Lee was born Feb. 26, 1915 in Harrisonville, Mo. and died Feb. 21 in Westland. She was an executive housekeeper for the Sheraton and Old Detroit hotels. She came to the Plymouth community in 1974 from Detroit. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth and the Three City Art Club of Plymouth. She enjoyed oil painting and when she was younger, she enjoyed horseback riding.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Eddie Lee.

Survivors include daughter, Mona Lee O'Connor of Westland, sisters, Bea Eavey, Marie Freed, and Henrietta Likens, and brother, Earl Kohlar.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Human Society of Michigan.

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LILLIAN M. SITTER

Services for Lillian Sitter, 87, of Brighton were held Feb. 23 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul Bisquette officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Mrs. Sitter was born March 7,

1914 in Detroit and died Feb. 21 in Howell. She loved her home and her career as a homemaker. She enjoyed sewing, baking and cooking.

She was a member of the Plymouth Elks No. 1480 for over 25 years. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star Ione Chapter that later merged with the Lincoln Park Chapter.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold J. in 1997.

Survivors include daughters, Janet I. (Russell) Hopper of Dewitt and Barbara (Leonard) Culbert of Brighton, grandson, Joshua Culbert of Brighton, and sister, Dorothy Chsholl of Marlette.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Elk's Major Projects, P.O. Box 620, Lawton, MI 49065-0620.

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WILLIAM P. KRAVEZ

Services for William Kravez, 55, of Canton, were held Feb. 26 at St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church with the Rev. C. Richard Kelly officiating.

Mr. Kravez was born May 15, 1946 in Detroit and died Feb. 23 in Canton. He was employed by Ford Motor Company. He was a veteran of the Vietnam war, serving in the U.S. Navy. He

was a member of St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Constantine Kravez.

Survivors include wife, Christine E. Kravez of Canton, daughter, Jill M. (Wade) Holton of South Lyon, daughter, Tracy J. (Phillip) Franklin of Westland, son, Bill Jr. Kravez of Canton, mother, Olga Kravez of Troy, and sister, Joanna (Gerald) Bayer of Troy.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospices of Henry Ford, Plymouth Office of Philanthropy, 1 Ford Place, Suite 5A, Detroit, MI 48202.

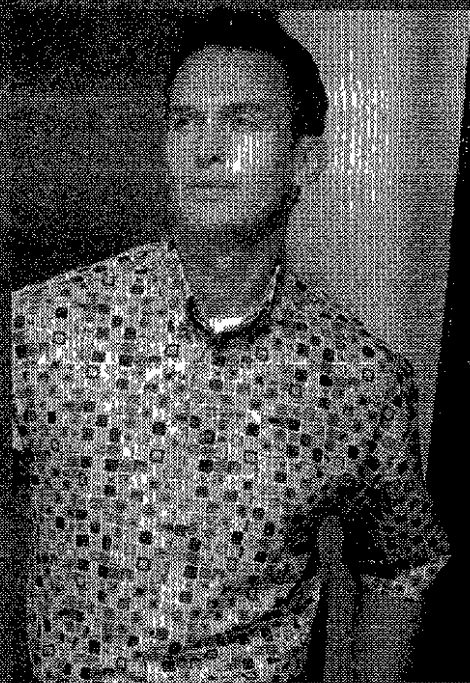
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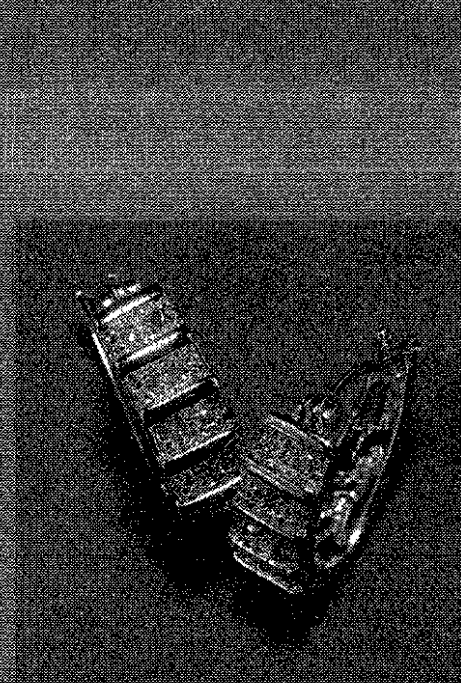
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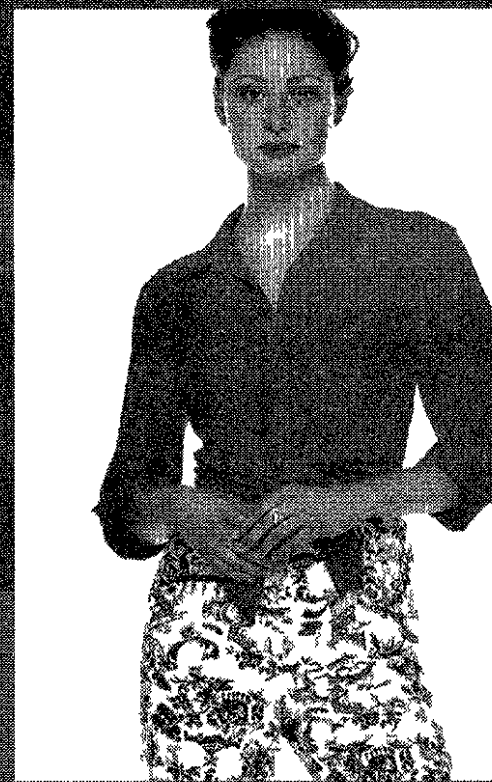
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Time for city to move on established goals

Incoming political figures generally get a grace period, a honeymoon of sorts that allows them to get settled before they accomplish anything.

For Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham, that period should be over.

Even though his vote counts for no more than those of the other six city commissioners, it's time for Graham to lead the Plymouth City Commission on the road toward accomplishing the goals they set forth last month.

At the Jan. 7 goal-setting session, commissioners, city workers and residents decided on six priorities for the newly elected city commission.

- Infrastructure improvements in the city's streets, water and sewer program
- A complete review of the city charter

- A public relations and image-building plan designed to communicate with citizens to improve interest in boards and committees, as well as improving the city's image locally and statewide

- Ordinance "fixes," including enforcement of city ordinances and a review of fees and late fees

- Building improvements

- Improving public spaces, including a review of the recreation master plan, improving public areas such as Kellogg Park and Veterans Park, new welcome signs on the outskirts of the city and improvements in the lighting along north and south Main Street.

Some of these seem like they'd be fairly easy to start, but so far not much has been done to advance them. This commission has a huge leg up on the last one. They didn't wait 18 months to have a goal session. Still, residents deserve to see more progress.

We recommend beginning with the easiest one, in terms of what needs to be

done to get started. A complete review of the city charter.

This has been a hot-button topic since former Commissioner Sean Fitzgerald brought it up more than two years ago. Former Mayor Dave McDonald barely paid lip service to it, agreeing to form a special committee to get it done, then doing nothing.

At the very least, Graham should restart the process of soliciting members to conduct the review, top to bottom, of the city's charter. Set solid deadlines and stick to them, and finish the charter review before the year is out.

The others will be a little tougher to flesh out. City officials are already going ahead with the task of evaluating the city's infrastructure, and perhaps details about that could be made more public during city meetings.

We don't necessarily think the city has a problem with its image, it certainly seems to attract visitors by the boatloads, and new businesses are coming to town all the time. But the lack of residents attending city commission meetings is an indication they haven't connected with the government they've elected.

That is, at least in part, the fault of the residents themselves, for not taking more of an interest. On the other hand, that's why they put these seven people up on the dais. Still, the city must do more to make its meetings more resident-friendly.

City officials did the right thing in getting more people involved in the goal-setting process. Department heads, city workers and residents were encouraged to attend and more importantly, to pitch in with ideas.

Now, it's time for city commissioners to put those ideas into motion.

Airport authority deal is the right direction

Wayne County commissioners are steamed. A deal has been worked out between Gov. John Engler and Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara to turn over control of the county's two airports - Detroit Metro and Willow Run - to an independent authority, pending legislative approval.

The state Senate Wednesday approved a bill to implement the authority. Now it goes to the House.

The commission wasn't consulted. They wouldn't have been happy if they were. Under the proposal the county executive will appoint four of the seven members of the authority, the governor two and the commission just one.

On Thursday, the commission voted 11-0 to oppose the new commission and some of their allies in the state Legislature have vowed to work on getting more board appointments for the commission.

In other words, it's politics as usual for the county airports. But in this case, politics has really made strange bedfellows. The state's top Republican and the state's most powerful Democrat have agreed on a package. A state Republican senator who has been leading the attack on McNamara for poor airport management is on board supporting the plan. Meanwhile, the predominantly Democrat commission has been left out in the cold.

We always have questions about government policies that develop behind closed doors. We understand the intended imbalance in county government that weighs power in the county executive's favor, but we worry when there is so little communication between an executive and the commission, especially when they belong to the same party.

The commissioners' complaints about the process are well taken. They also have strong arguments about the accountability of elected officials as opposed to appointed officials. And, they have a right to be angry at the county executive.

Still, the proposal has much to recommend it. As Sen. Glenn Steil (R-Grand Rapids), the official GOP airport hound, said last week, "This is exactly what I have been asking for."

The proposal answers many of the complaints about no bid contracts, cronyism and lack of appropriate oversight. The seven-member board would have a three-

member audit committee to review airport financial activities. The authority would be required to use competitive bidding and adopt policies on conflicts of interest. The authority would operate under the state's open meetings and sunshine laws. And, most importantly, the authority keeps power in the county and short circuits a state takeover of the airports.

In the face of criticism that they hadn't provided proper oversight on airport contracts, the county commission last year implemented new procedures on approving contracts. McNamara said this was his major motivation for agreeing to an authority. He said the commission's procedures are too restrictive and cumbersome. He said if they had been in effect when bids were let on the new midfield terminal, the terminal wouldn't be completed and construction would have been over budget.

From McNamara's view, the authority provides more flexibility than the county commission. Gov. Engler and Sen. Steil see the authority providing more reliable oversight while also giving the state some stake in the airports' operations. The airports will remain under Wayne County ownership.

If the proposal wins two-thirds approval in the Legislature it will go into effect immediately, giving lameducks Engler and McNamara an opportunity to leave their mark on the new authority. Some argue that perhaps it would be better for the bill to pass by a simple majority, in which case the authority would be appointed next year, after they leave office. This is what the county commission is lobbying the legislature to do.

While we have reservations about some aspects of the plan, such as giving the executive a majority of appointees, the problems at the airports need to be addressed now. We believe the public scrutiny that the airports have been under recently will be a strong incentive for Engler and McNamara to make qualified choices.

We regret the manner in which the authority plan was developed. But we believe that this effort by two strong-willed politicians to work out an honest compromise is the right direction to go.

We support an authority, the sooner the better.



LETTERS

A good experience

I'd like to recommend the Youth Leadership Canton program to all Plymouth-Canton seventh-graders who are going to be in the eighth grade next year. It is a very good experience for those who wish to be leaders in the future and also for those who wish to become more involved in their own community.

In this program I met new people from the different schools and had some great experiences, such as creating a mock board meeting in which we acted like the chairman and other board members making the decision on whether to build the water park or not. Of course, it was just a mock meeting and our decisions didn't count for anything but it was a good experience teaching me on how decisions are made around the community.

If there is anyone who would like to be part of this program there are flyers available, with instructions on how to sign up in every school's office or literature rack. All you have to do is fill them out, and turn them into your counselor.

*Beth Gutowski
Canton*

Station is great

I am writing to wish WSDP-88.1 FM-Plymouth congratulations as they celebrate their 30th anniversary. For a long time, the high school's radio station has been both a vital source of community for Plymouth, Canton and the neighboring towns but, more importantly, an exceptional educational tool for the students who choose the radio station as their extracurricular activity.

I am a WSDP alumni and am extremely grateful to WSDP for the experience and skills I acquired during my time at the station. Perhaps no other experience has been more valuable to me since graduating in 1993.

In the past three years I have had the honor and privilege of working with artists such as Sting, Paul Simon, Shawn Colvin, Chris Botti (who has a concert on Direct TV each weekend in February) and many others while working as an artist manager for a small music management company. None of this would have been possible without my experience at WSDP.

The greatest gift WSDP provided me was to show me how I could make my dreams come true. I always wanted to share the music I loved on the air and WSDP gave me 3-1/2 hours each Friday afternoon to design my own radio program.

I always dreamed of being a touring musician and WSDP provided the knowledge of how I could do that on an independent level for three years during college. I always dreamed of managing a record store and WSDP existing on my resume made that possible. I have always dreamed of ultimately becoming an artist manager. The skills I picked up at WSDP continue to be a good reason why my artists are willing to listen to what I have to say.

More than providing a microphone, WSDP provided a laboratory unlike any provided elsewhere. I have always known the business of music was where I wanted to spend my life and WSDP certainly had a library of music. But its opportunities to teach business (and more directly, the music business) make it truly invaluable.

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For 30 years WSDP has been providing hundreds of success stories for the parents of students of PCEP and I look forward to congratulating WSDP on another 30 years' worth.

Maybe by then the station will have a few more watts too.

*Paul Phelps
Plymouth*

Questions for district

As many of you have probably heard, it looks like Gov. John Engler has put together a budget that will keep the \$200 per-pupil increase for 2002-03. This is truly good news for our school district. While this news is good, there are still many things to be concerned about relative to the financing of our school district.

Here are some of the facts for the 2002-03 financial projections as presented by the Plymouth-Canton schools.

To help make the budget projections appear less negative, the most recent projections presented by the district removed any plans for employee raises during the next three years. It seems unlikely that we can "retain the best staff," as our long-range plan intends, if we cannot make any plans for employee raises.

When questioned about this at a recent board meeting, Superintendent Kathleen Boohar indicated that this lack of planning for employee raises would give them "more reason to get the RESA millage passed this August."

This brings in to focus yet another reason for concern, the RESA millage increase being voted on this August. This 1.5 mil increase is being voted on, countywide, to provide our county school district with increased funding. If this increase is passed, it will result in approximately \$6 million being raised in our district, with only about \$1.5 million being applied to our school district's budget.

Pay out \$6 million to get \$1.5 million. This seems to be a bad investment.

Why is Dr. Boohar encouraging our community to vote for such a blatantly bad deal?

She may need this money to offset the 40 percent increase in central office administrative spending in the school district or she may just feel that the county needs to increase its educational revenues by nearly 80 percent!

Whatever the reason, not very good investment advice from our educational leadership.

Another way that Dr. Boohar seems to be focused on raising revenue for our district is through schools of choice. Under this model, Plymouth-Canton opens its schools to students from outside of our district.

When students come to the district they bring per-pupil revenue with them, thereby increasing the revenue for the district.

One would expect that this would also result in some incremental additions to teaching staff. This is not the case under Dr. Boohar's model.

When asked about this, the administration indicated that there are many classrooms in the district that do not have 25 students and that these students from other districts could just be squeezed in with no increase in teaching staff.

Shouldn't we reduce all of our class sizes before taking on other students? Class size was the number one concern in recent district surveys. Why is Dr. Boohar paying such little attention to the community?

These three issues are merely the tip of the iceberg. They do however affect every student, parent, employee and community member.

Many of you may be afraid to speak out, stand up and once again become the public in public schools. Given what Dr. Boohar has attempted to do to those of us who speak out, this is understandable.

However, you must overcome the fear that has been created and get involved. You must contact school board members, speak out at board meetings, write letters to the papers, etc. You must not allow your school district to keep you in the dark.

I am certain that the employees and customers at Enron wish they had asked more questions and gotten more information before it was too late and their "leaders" had fled. Let's not go down the same path.

*Mark Horvath
Canton*

Editor's note: Mark Horvath is a former Plymouth Canton Community Schools trustee.

Candidate backed CCW

A recent article announced Mr. Bruce Patterson's intentions to run for a seat in the Michigan Senate. The article presented a list of Mr. Patterson's accomplishments while a state representative. An important bill that became law, the CCW (the right to carry a conceal weapon), was missing from that list.

Mr. Patterson was one of the non "lame duck" politicians who voted for that law and should, as a result, be acknowledged as a supporter of this legislation. Certainly this issue is an important indication of how the candidate intends to represent his constituency.

*Jim Wachlarz
Canton*

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Senate OKs airport authority; commissioners angry

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Kay Beard says she's as angry as a wet hen

Beard (D-Westland), vice chair of the Wayne County Commission, said she and the rest of the county commission were "blind-sided" by the deal brokered by Gov. John Engler and County Executive Ed McNamara to turn control of the county's airports over to an independent authority.

"It was a cozy deal between McNamara and Engler, two lameducks doing something like that with the hopes of having great influence when they're gone," Beard said Monday.

On Tuesday, Beard and her fellow commissioners, went as a united group to lobby state legislators. On Feb. 21, the commission voted 11-0 against the plan.

Despite the vociferous commission objections, the Michigan Senate approved 26-10 Senate Bill 690 to implement the airport authority. Today McNamara was expected to meet in caucus with Michigan House members. The House plans to hold hearings today and Tuesday and may vote as soon as March 7. A two-thirds vote in the House would make the authority effective immediately.

Senators voted Tuesday to advance the proposal, after making a series of amendments offered by Sen. Loren Bennett (R-Canton) to tighten up operating rules for the airport. An amendment to give a board appointment to the mayor of Detroit was defeated.

Key vote

According to Aaron Keesler, aide to Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow (R-Port Huron), the key vote on immediate effect will likely have to wait until the bill comes back from the House.

State lawmakers have been reviewing contracts and bidding procedures at the airport for the past 2-1/2 years. A series of reviews by the state Auditor General's office failed to find "a smoking gun" indicating wrongdoing in the letting of contracts, but senators say a number of questionable practices were



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United protest: County Commissioner Lyn Bankes (R-Livonia) coffee in hand joins Commissioner Willie D. Hall (D-Detroit), foreground, and other commissioners on the bus to Lansing to lobby against the airport authority.

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Commissioner Lyn Bankes (R-Livonia) said she had heard that McNamara and Engler met at the World Club at Northwest Airlines new McNamara Terminal on Feb. 15, "working out this deal that screws taxpayers."

"I was supportive of the idea, but I'm not supportive of the way this is being rammed through," Bankes said. "I was supportive of an airport authority, but I thought we'd have time to study it."

The deal would create a seven-member authority. Four members would be appointed by the county executive, two by the governor and one by the county commission. The airport would remain under Wayne County ownership, but all decisions on airport operations would be made by the authority. An audit committee within the authority would oversee contracts.

In statements made after the deal was announced Feb. 20, McNamara said he was frustrated by the commission's new procedures on contracts which he said were restrictive. New rules on contracts were implemented following a county audit and a state investigation into contracts made by McNamara and his appointees operating the airport.

McNamara said the new rules don't allow enough flexibility in

awarding a contract to a higher bidder who can provide a better service.

Local control

Commissioner John Sullivan (D-Canton) said he disagreed with McNamara's assessment. Sullivan has been on the county's airport committee for three years.

"We don't always go with the low bidder," he said. "But the new board doesn't have to answer to anyone. They could go with a higher bidder and not have to explain it. This really is the best deal for the people."

Sullivan said his main objection to the new authority is that it takes away local control, especially from the people who live near the airport. Sullivan's district includes the airport and its surrounding communities.

"I can't say whether an authority would run it better or not," he said. "But who would the people be able to go through to complain when there's more noise or more truck traffic, when they have no jurisdiction over it?"

Beard called McNamara's complaints about contracts "garbage" and said the procedures were implemented because "of things done by the administration with him at the top."

"We're charged with oversight. I've wanted auditors at the air-

port for years," she said.

The commissioners weren't optimistic about stopping legislation creating the authority. They said they will be primarily lobbying to prevent a two-thirds majority which would make the legislation effective immediately.

If the authority is approved by less than two-thirds, it wouldn't take effect until next April, which would keep Engler and McNamara from making the appointments.

Keesler said the main reason for giving the majority of appointees to the executive is that that's how the deal was set up. Significant changes could derail it, he said.

"Besides, the Wayne County commissioners have not shown much of an interest in the airport up until now," Keesler said. "One of the most questionable contracts was one let recently and the board went right ahead and approved it."

For most Democrats, the key is to retain control in Wayne County, regardless of whether it is with the county board or the executive.

"We bonded for it. We built it. We added the new terminal. We nurtured it, and now the state wants to take it over. No way," said Ken Brock, aide to Sen. Burton Leland (D-Detroit).

Mike Malott of the HomeTown News Service contributed to this story.

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ARTISTIC EXPRESSIONS



LINDA ANN CHOMIN

Cast kicks up their heels in 'Hello Dolly'

Jack Pierson is a busy man even though he retired from teaching music a few years ago. During the day he directs the Schoolcraft College Jazz Band, at night the music for *Hello Dolly*. Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church members and director Martha Kuykendall are presenting the all-time favorite musical about Jewish match-maker Dolly Levi March 1-3 in Livonia.

Pierson, a Plymouth resident, loves music in all its forms, especially *Hello Dolly*, the show stopper written by Jerry Herman for the musical which debuted on Broadway in 1964.

Hello Dolly
When: 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, March 12, and 4 p.m. Sunday, March 3
Where: Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago, between Farmington and Meriman roads, Livonia
Tickets: \$6, \$3 students through grade 12. Call (734) 422-0494

Pierson thinks the music and show deserves a live band so he asked members of the Schoolcraft College Jazz Band to accompany the cast. Pierson strives to offer students performing opportunities whenever possible. After *Hello Dolly* closes Sunday, the band plays a Community College Jazz Festival concert 7 p.m. Monday, March 4, in the Waterman Center on the Livonia campus. The program is free. For more information, call (734) 420-8984.

"It's a bubbly show with familiar tunes like *Hello Dolly*, a real show-stopper. It's the one everyone gets a kick out of," said Pierson. "The musical features a variety of things with chorus and with men singing which is unusual. There are nearly 50 cast members,

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Dancin' Dolly: Cindy Pierson and John Hirtzel (Horace Vandergelder) take a spin around the floor during a rehearsal for "Hello Dolly."



Michigan Fine Arts juror slices through the competition

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Viewers of this year's Michigan Fine Arts Competition probably will walk away shocked but that's exactly what juror Nick Cave had in mind when he selected work for the exhibition opening Friday, March 8, at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. Traditionally, shows of this type focus on two-dimensional media such as photographs, prints, and paintings — florals, landscape, portraits, genre scenes, and abstracts.

The 21st annual competition/exhibition spotlights art meant to prod the mind or, as Cave puts it in his juror statement, "send electrical charges to the fingertips." Installations and assemblage abound. There are works to hang over the sofa, but not as many as in past years.

Arts center executive director Janet Torno attributes the change to Cave, who earned a master of fine arts degree from Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills. In addition to teaching at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Cave creates visual and performance art. As in years past, Torno chose a juror for the competition in collaboration with a local gallery. Cave will be in town to open an exhibition of his art, *Objects of Desire/Party Favors*, at Sybaris Gallery in Royal Oak 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 9. But first he will perform in one of his "sound suits" Thursday, March 7, at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. Cave bases much of the work, a form of political and social commentary, on his feelings about being a black male in America.

"Nick Cave is a really unique artist," said Torno. "His sound suits are made from afghans attached with noisemakers and activated with movement."

Cave selected 70-pieces from 332 entries submitted for the annual competition which was originally coordinated by the Detroit Institute of Arts. Prizes totaling more than \$9,000 will be awarded after judging by Cave 6-30 p.m. Friday, March 8.

"The show is fantastic, very cutting edge," said Torno. "I read Nick Cave's remarks and he was looking for things to make your spine tingle. He had a vision in mind that he was looking for

There are lots of installation pieces, inspiration pieces. I like the flavor of the show.

"Many people ask is there Detroit art. I don't really see a Detroit aesthetic. It's a universal thing now. Because of electronic media, they see what's going on in the world and create from this broader view."

Inspired by loss

For Brian Nelson it was personal loss, the illness and death of his grandfather, which initially inspired his work of welded steel. Industrial in nature, the tables on wheels reference movement and evolved from an original work created after a walker used by his grandfather. Nelson places an inverted drum in the center of each as a way to symbolize the need for a breath



Tears for Cole: Brian Nelson created this welded stainless steel work after the birth of his son and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

of fresh air in society.

His newest work grew out of the birth of son his Cole 21 months ago and the terrorist attacks on America on Sept. 11. Nelson conveys his *Tears for Emily and Cole* in a work of stainless steel and carved salt. Emily refers to Emily Dickinson and a poem she wrote about death. The work was originally conceived for a February faculty exhibit in Ford Gallery at Eastern Michigan University where Nelson is director of the sculpture program.

"It grew out of the Sept. 11 attacks," said Nelson.



The observer: Helene Lubin painted this oil after observing an observer of a Paris street scene.

son. "That's where the tear aspects came from. I was trying to find some place to put the grief. They're dramatically large size tears. Our culture is grieving — changing. The attacks eliminated the simplicity of freedom that my son will have. Things are going to be much more difficult for him than for me."

Pop culture

Gail Rosenbloom Kaplan takes a lighter look at popular American culture. The Farmington Hills clay artist created a life-size leather coat for the Michigan Fine Arts Competition. From her Mosaic series, the work is like "a puzzle, carved out of a solid piece of clay, hollowed out and cut into pieces, fired separately then assembled and meant to be hung on the wall." Another work features a pair of hiking boots.

Rosenbloom Kaplan currently has work in a group show at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C. She earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from the University of Michigan. "Our clothes reflect our culture," said Rosenbloom Kaplan. "It was inspired by a long leather coat my daughter bought. I often look in my own

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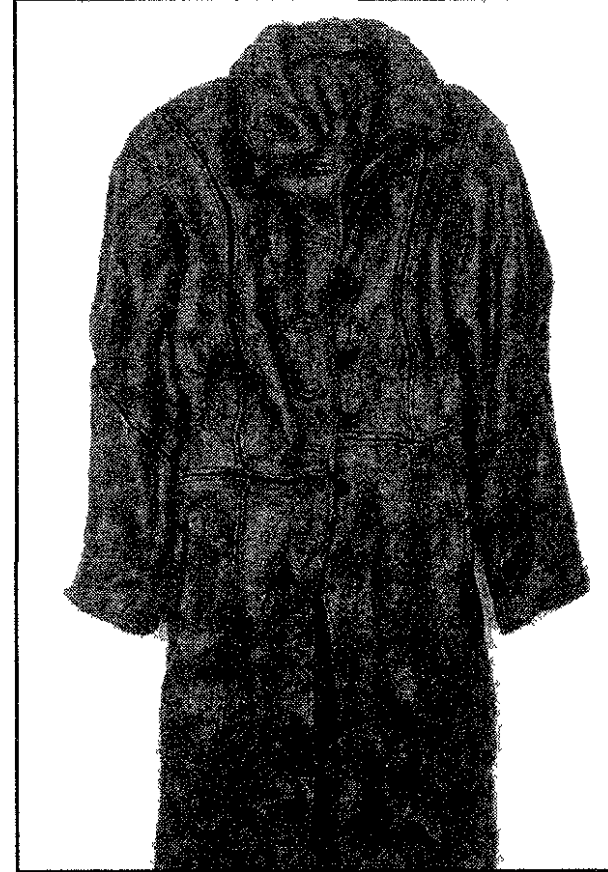
MICHIGAN FINE ARTS COMPETITION

What: An 70-piece exhibit featuring a variety of media by 53 artists.

When: Opens with a reception and awards presentation 6-30 p.m. Friday, March 8, lecture/performance by juror Nick Cave 7 p.m. Thursday, March 7, continues to Friday, March 29.

Where: Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, 1516 South Cranbrook Road, north of 14 Mile, Birmingham. Call (248) 644-0866.

■ Competition juror Nick Cave will open an exhibition of his art, *Objects of Desire/Party Favors*, 5-7 p.m. Saturday, March 9 at Sybaris Gallery in Royal Oak, 202 East Third, Royal Oak. The exhibit continues to Saturday, April 20. Call (248) 544-3388 for details.



Mosaic series: Gail Rosenbloom Kaplan sculpted this 24- by 41-inch leather coat from clay.

FAMILY FUN



Here they come to save the day: See Buzz, Woody and Andy panic when they learn Andy's mom is having a yard sale in *Disney On Ice Toy Story 2*.

2 ice shows glide into Michigan

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It's 8:45 a.m. in Los Angeles and two-time Swiss National figure skating champ Lucinda Ruh has already made a slew of phone calls and scheduled meetings to discuss her plans to set the Guinness Book of World Records for fast spins — more than 270 revolutions per minute.

While planning that, Ruh, known as the *Queen of Spin*, is on tour with other World and Olympic figure skating champs in *Target Stars on Ice*

The figure skating show is in its 16th year and coming to The Palace of Auburn Hills on Saturday, March 2. It's an ideal show for figure skating enthusiasts, Ruh said.

"It's not a typical ice show," Ruh said. "This is fully choreographed with detailed costumes and very colorful lighting. It's fun — we aren't in competition and we can just be ourselves."

Ruh is skating with a prestigious line-up that includes Katarina Witt, Anjelika Krylova, Oleg Ovsianikov, Tara Lipinski, Kristi Yamaguchi, Steven Cousins, Jenni Meno, Todd

Sand and Kurt Browning.

Toy Story

For kids too young to appreciate pure figure skating, there's a different show aimed just for them: *Disney On Ice Toy Story 2* at Joe Louis through Sunday, March 3.

Skating mania lingers in metro-Detroit as the Olympics end and both shows are expected to be complete or near sell-outs.

"The shows have been packed every

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Energetic: Olympic gold medalist Tara Lipinski will perform at *Target Stars on Ice* on Saturday, March 2, at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

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a lot of couples involved." That includes Pierson and his wife Cindy who plays Dolly. The two met 15 years ago while playing the lead in *Nine* at the Theater Guild of Livonia Redford.

Feel good show

"I've always loved the music," said Cindy who created her own costumes from "stuff" laying around the house. Catherine Elstone designed the rest of the 1890's era outfits. "It's from the 1960s when I was a teenager. It's a famous part played by Barbra Streisand and Carol Channing. Dolly loves to help people. She has a good heart."

"You walk out feeling good. The show's very patriotic. It's very funny."

John Hirtzel's character Horace Vandergelder adds plenty of humor as the shopkeeper wooing Dolly because "he needs someone

to keep the place clean." Hirtzel's acted in nearly as many Rosedale Gardens church productions as his wife Marilyn who's been in all 29 shows. Hirtzel first played a waiter in *Hello Dolly* in 1985.

"It's fun because Horace is a real character," said Hirtzel. "Like most of the roles I play he's kind of a dumb idiot and I've got that part down but I do end up with the girl. It's only the second time in my career."

"Thirty of those years, Marilyn and I have spent two months in the show annually."

"It's a wonderful way to write away January and February," said Marilyn who is in the chorus in addition to taking caring of tickets and overseeing all business aspects of the production.

John Niemisto agrees there's no better way to spend the first few months of the year than with family. He, wife Ellen and daughter

Katrina enjoy playing together. Niemisto plays Cornelius Hackl, Ellen paints sets, and Katrina sings in the chorus. The 16 year old is serious about theater and currently studying the subject in the Creative and Performing Arts program at Churchill High School in Livonia.

"The most difficult part for me is the dancing, at 6 feet 8 inches tall," said Niemisto. "Cornelius is a 33 year old chap who on a whim goes to New York in search of love. He's 33 years old and never been kissed."

"I'm enjoying it all, especially the people. I love the people we work with. It's so much fun."

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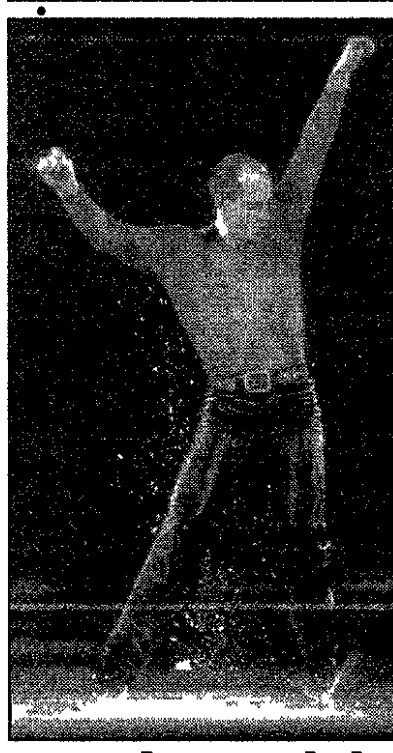


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Owning the ice: Four-time World champion Kurt Browning joins the team where portions of proceeds help provide housing for families whose children must undergo medical treatment at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis.

lighthearted and heartwarming, *Target Stars on Ice* is more formal with figure skating champs showing their best skills in choreographed routines.

"We've created our own niche," Olympic champ and co-producer Scott Hamilton said. "We've broken new ground. We're building something."

For Kristi Yamaguchi the show is a chance to bond with fellow skaters.

"As professionals we're expected to be on — no matter where the tour takes us. Having such incredible backup and support makes it easy to go out on the ice with a smile."

The nearly five minute Flapjacks scene wasn't included in the motion picture of *Toy Story 2*, it was created just for the show on ice.

"The Flapjacks try to show what can happen to your luggage at the airport," Ryan said. "It's acrobatic and funny."

Ryan, who was also in *Little Mermaid* on Ice and a chorus member of *Grease* on Ice, said the show reaches a wide range of audiences. The story, of course, is about the toys from Andy's room — Woody, Buzz, Hamm, Slinky, Rex and others who are sent into a panic when they learn Andy's mother is going to have a yard sale.

Target Stars on Ice

While the Disney show is

COMPARING THE SHOWS

DISNEY ON ICE/TOY STORY 2

Audience: Families of all ages including children as young as 3
Theme: A light hearted story reproduction of the animated film *Toy Story 2* and includes an extra scene by the Flapjacks comedy team.
When: Show continues through Sunday March 3
Where: Joe Louis Arena Detroit
Performances: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday Feb 28, 7:30 p.m. Friday March 1, noon, 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. Sunday March 3
Tickets: \$15 \$18 \$25 \$35, (248) 645-6666 at www.ticketmaster.com For show information visit www.disneyonice.com
Highlights: Disney fans will see popular characters like Buzz Lightyear, Woody, Wheezy the Penguin and Andy as they re-create *Toy Story 2* on ice.

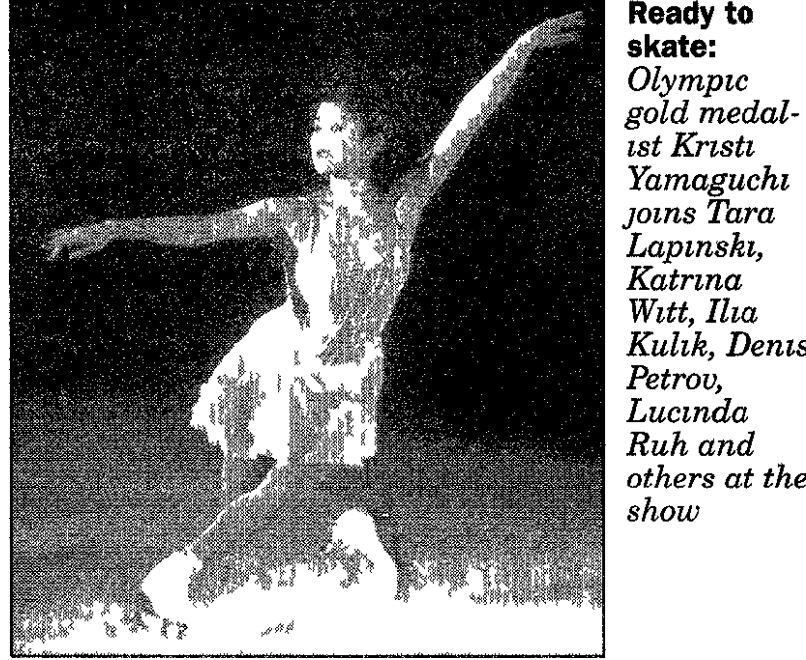
TARGET STARS ON ICE

Audience: Families. Anyone with an interest in professional figure skating.
Theme: A show where Olympic and World skating champs can display their skills. Professional skaters will skate solo and in teams.
When: 8 p.m. Saturday March 2
Where: Palace of Auburn Hills
Tickets: \$37 \$62
Highlights: The line up is packed with skating stars including Kristi Yamaguchi, Katarina Witt, Tara Lipinski, Kurt Browning and Denis Petrov who strut their skating stuff to music styles like tango and rock n roll.

Skating in *Target Stars* is very different from competition, Ruh added. While each performer skates solo, they also come together and skate as a team. Ruh, who grew up in Paris and Tokyo, has been skating since she was five and said the show is a career highlight. At age 8 she had a full scholarship to the Royal Ballet in London, but gave it up to pursue skating. She doesn't regret it.

"It's so much fun, the energy is fantastic. At the show, it's a time to invent new positions and try new things and the audience has as much fun as we do," Ruh said.

Ready to skate: Olympic gold medalist Kristi Yamaguchi joins Tara Lipinski, Katrina Witt, Ilya Kulik, Denis Petrov, Lucinda Ruh and others at the show.



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DSO honors African American contributions

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Thomas Wilkins applauds the Detroit Symphony Orchestra for having the foresight to recognize contributions of African Americans to classical music long before he came on board as resident conductor. He believes that for more than 20 years the Classical Roots concerts have not only introduced audiences to composers and musicians of African American descent, but also revered them as role models for the next generation.

On Saturday-Sunday, March 2-3, the tradition continues with a program featuring compositions ranging from Undine Smith Moore's *Scenes in the Life of a Martyr* to George Walker's *Lyric for Strings*. Guest soloist is 16-year-old violinist Melissa White, winner of the Junior Division of the 2001 Texaco-Sphinx Competition for young black and Latino string players. The finals take place at Orchestra Hall each February.

Wilkins didn't hear a lot of music by African American composers while growing up. Life will be different for his twin

daughters Nicole and Erica. Wilkins plays all styles of music for the 9 year-olds because he wants them "to understand the merits and characteristics of music in any genre, to know what makes good music."

"The Classical Roots concerts demonstrate to young African Americans that this is something we participate in as professionals," said Wilkins who is buying a home in West Bloomfield in March. Wilkins currently is in his eighth season as resident conductor of The Florida Orchestra where he now lives.

"It's not only an entertainment choice but a career option. There's something about people doing things who look like you. It goes a long way in the hearts and minds of young kids. Adults, it reminds them that what was deemed a Western European tradition belongs to all of us."

Spiritual oratorio

In addition to Saint-Saens *Violin Concert No. 3* with White, Wilkins is especially looking forward to conducting Moore's composition based on the life of assassinated Civil Rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The spiritual oratorio was written in

Classical Roots Concerts
What: Detroit Symphony Orchestra celebrates contributions of African Americans to classical music.
When: 8:30 p.m. Saturday, March 2, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 3.
Where: Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit.
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the late 1970s.

"It's a major work dedicated to Martin Luther King and calls for narrative, soprano, mezzo-soprano, tenor, bass, and chorus," said Wilkins. "The Brazeal Dennard Chorale will be joining us on stage."

It's fitting Dennard's chorus is on the program. Dennard is being honored at a gala celebration on Saturday for his dedica-

tion to the Classical Roots concerts he helped found. Moore will be honored with a lifetime achievement award. Daughter Mary Easter will receive the honor for the late composer.

The second annual gala celebration on Saturday will raise money for the DSO's African American educational and music programs. Last year's event helped fund the DSO's re-release of the *Black Composers Series* featuring the DSO, conducted by Paul Freeman, assistant conductor of the orchestra for many years. Originally recorded in 1974, the Sony CD features the music of Hale Smith, George Walker Adolphus Hailstork and Roque Curdero.

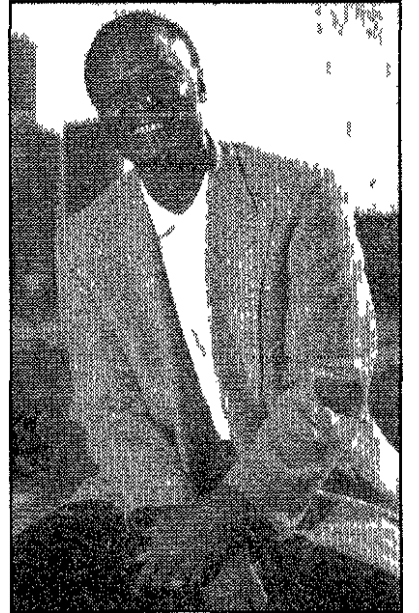
Goal

Newman hopes this year's gala will raise enough money to record works commissioned through the African American Composers Program founded by the DSO in 1989. The program assists African American composers financially and encour-

ages them to write with the goal of performance. Composing is a solitary endeavor. Oftentimes composers become discouraged not knowing if their work will ever be played.

"The music of African Americans has been neglected in the orchestral world," said Daisy Newman, DSO director of education. "The Detroit Symphony Orchestra stepped out on a national platform to highlight the music during a subscription season. It was a commitment made by our board of directors as well as African Americans in the city who have an interest and the wherewithal to research the music and offer it to the orchestra management. Rare pieces have found a hearing. Brazeal Dennard spearheaded the effort for researching the repertoire all through the years."

Along with commissioning and performing works by African Americans, the DSO offers a fellowship or internship for musicians. The recipient plays one to two years with the orchestra



Thomas Wilkins, conductor

while auditioning all over the country with the goal of landing a position with a major orchestra. Seven of the eight fellows have become members of orchestras around the U.S. Two are principals.

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Livonia For an application call the community resources department at (734) 466-2540 Exhibitors are also wanted for the display cases in the Livonia Civic Center Library Artists or collectors should contact Donna Eno at (734) 261-5870

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

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

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

VSA arts of Michigan: Looking for professional artists who are interested in sharing their creative processes in dance drama, literature, music poetry and the visual arts with students with disabilities Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabilities Qualified artists will be trained to work with students at an Artist in Residence Training Institute to take place at the R A MacMullan Conference Center at Higgins Lake in Roscommon June 15-18

Following training VSA arts of Michigan will provide work for artists in artist in residence programs in K-12 schools throughout the state Interested artists should send resumes to Artist in Residence Initiative VSA arts of Michigan 51 West Hancock Detroit, MI 48201 For more information call (313) 832-3303 or send e-mail to vsami@ic.net

The Bohemians Musicians Club of Greater Detroit: Fifth annual Solo Concerto Competition open for orchestral instruments Prizes for first second and third Place are \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$500 the first prize winner will perform with a local community orchestra Contestants must submit a performance tape by April 20 to be considered one of the finalists who will perform before a panel of judges High school and college students (between the ages of 16 and 22) throughout the state of Michigan are eligible The Bohemians Club, the oldest musicians club in Detroit is composed of present and retired Detroit Symphony Orchestra members music teachers and music lovers of all backgrounds For application form and further information e-mail Mr Herbert Couf President The Bohemians at Couflinks@aol.com or write Mr Herbert Couf at 37685 Russett Drive Farmington Hills MI 48331

ART CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

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

Art Gallery/Studio: Maggie Cooney and Kay Rowe teach watercolor in March and April in the studio at the Sheridan Shopping Center Garden City (734) 261-0379

Art of living studio: Drawing scarf dyeing and awakening your artistic vision classes book conversation and poetry nights 11 S Broadway Lake Orion (248) 693-3632

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Includes A Class for Parents Art Starts at Home Capitals of Culture Rome Florence and New York Drawing at the Museum Urban Foraging Basket Workshop, Grades 1-3 Designing Cars and Automotive Sculpting Workshop for grade 9 through adult 1516 South

Cranbrook Road, Birmingham (248) 644-0866

Creative Arts Center: Classes for children teens and adults in art music drama and dance 47 Williams Street Pontiac (248) 333-7849 Scholarships available for students with financial need

Outside the Lines Studio: Decorative painting classes learn faux finishes with glazes animals prints paper mosaics glass painting floorcloths furniture painting and more Berkley (248) 399-9304

Plymouth Reed and Cane: Basket weaving classes workshops and chair caning and seat replacement classes Beginning Decorative Painting Class fabric painting and other classes 1200 W Ann Arbor Road Plymouth (734) 455-2150

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

Visual Art Association of Livonia: Classes in various arts forms including oil watercolor pastel and drawing at the Jefferson Center Room 16 9501 Henry Ruff Livonia Mary Ann Adams (734) 455-9517

DANCE

Argentine Tango Club of Detroit: Tango group classes are offered weekly at various locations For information on workshops and classes call (313) 724-3262

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

Deborah Chase School of Dance: Accepting new students for a comprehensive program in dance art and musical theater 29820 Joy Livonia (734) 513-2004 or (734) 421-4212

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

Debbie Felton's Academy of Dance: Taking registrations for enrollment 16312 Middlebelt, Livonia (734) 524-0104

ART LECTURES

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: *Art Rage Us The Art and Outrage of Breast Cancer* Marijane Block will present a pictorial review and commentary on the exhibit of art by women who have faced breast cancer, 7:30 p.m. Friday March 1 (6:30 p.m. reception) Seating is limited To register call (248) 644-0866 Donations will be accepted at the door 1516 South Cranbrook Road Birmingham

Three Cities Art Club: Lecture and critique by Farmington Hills artist Jen Fellcock 7:30 p.m. Monday March 4, in the Plymouth Township Clerk s Building 42350 Ann Arbor Road at Lilley (248) 262-9711

Wayne State University: Lecture by Dan Ramirez as part of the Visiting Artist Program 7 p.m. Wednesday March 6 in the Helen DeRoy Auditorium on campus 5203 Cass, Detroit (313) 577-2423

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Michigan Fine Arts Competition opens with a reception and awards presentation 6:30 p.m. Friday March 8 lecture/performance by juror Nick Cave 7 p.m. Thursday March 7 continues to Friday March 29 1516 South Cranbrook Road Birmingham (248) 644-0866

CPOP Gallery: Ron Zarkin and The Pizz opens with a reception 6:11 p.m. Saturday March 2 continues to March 31 at the gallery 4160 Woodward (313) 833-9901

Ford Gallery. 2002 Michigan Drawing Biennial opens with a reception and awards ceremony 4-6 p.m. Tuesday March 5 continues to March 22 in the gallery on the campus of Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti (734) 487-0465

Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery: Paintings by Kay Rowe March 2-24, opening reception 2:30-4:30 p.m. Sunday March 3 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington Road (734) 466-2490

Lawrence St. Gallery: Sixth annual Exposures Photography 02 Show 7:10 p.m. Friday March 1 A \$100 best of show prize will be given and other merchandise awards 6 N Saginaw Pontiac The exhibit closes on Friday March 29 (248) 334-6716

Madonna University: Student exhibit opens with a reception 7:30 p.m. Friday March 1 continues to Thursday March 21 in the Exhibit Gallery on the second floor of the Library Wing on campus 36600 Schoolcraft Livonia (734) 432-5710

Museum Of New Art: KaBOOM! group show opens with a reception 6:10 p.m. Saturday, March 9 (\$5) continues to April 28 \$2 admission 1249 Washington Blvd., Book Building Suite 200 Detroit (313) 961-2845

Paint Creek Center for the Arts: Art Function and Design opens 6-8 p.m. Friday, March 1, 407 Pine St. Rochester Continues to April 6 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday (248) 651-4110, www.pccart.org

Pewabic Pottery: National Juried Exhibition The Vase showcases more than 50 vases by 46 artists opens with a reception 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 1, continues to Saturday April 13 10125 East Jefferson Detroit (313) 822-0954

Picasso Cafe: Billie Thompson exhibits colorful florals in water colors - watercolors, acrylics and monotypes to March 30 39915 Grand River, Farmington

Scarab Club: Silver medal Exhibition continues to March

30 opening reception Friday, March 1, in the second floor Lounge Gallery Bette Pruden Have Easel Will Travel continues to March 30 217 Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts 5200 Woodward (313) 831-1250

Elizabeth Stone Gallery: Children s book illustrator Robin Brickman opens an art exhibit with reception and book signing 4-5:30 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday March 5 continues to March 15 536 North Old Woodward Birmingham (248) 647-7040

Sybaris Gallery: Nick Cave exhibits "Objects of Desire/Party Favors" created from fabricated and found objects, opens with a reception for the artist 5:30 p.m. Saturday March 9 continues to April 20 202 East Third Royal Oak (248) 544-3388

Washington Street Gallery: Leslie Masters Southern Sun, land scapes from Italy and France through March 30 opening reception 7:30 p.m. Friday March 1 gallery talk 7 p.m. Friday March 15 215 East Washington Street Ann Arbor (734) 761-2287

Woods Gallery: Meet artist Sherry Adams Foster 7:30 p.m. Thursday Feb 28 lower level Huntington Woods Library, 26415 Scotia Huntington Woods, south of 11 Mile Road Exhibit runs through March 25 (248) 543-9720

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

Art of Living Gallery: Features paintings by Mykola Kirichenko through March 1 at the gallery Lake Orion

Bagley Housing Art Gallery: Facets & Figures by Detroit Artists Invitational Exhibition of National Conference of Artists continues to Feb 28 2715 Bagley Detroit (313) 964-5942

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Student show juried by Kevin Bown Kathy Dambach and Sylvia Nelson variety of media from watercolor to weaving continues to Friday March 1 1516 South Cranbrook Road Birmingham (248) 644-0866

Barbara Adelson Studios: Frank Lloyd Wright art glass windows and textile blocks by appointment West Bloomfield (248) 681-7227

Barnes and Noble: Marj Silk s photographs on display through Feb 28 at the Rochester Hills store located on Rochester Road north of Auburn (248) 853-9855

Cass Cafe: *Psychology and Image* an exhibition by College for Creative Studies graduating seniors Taurus Burns, Darcel Deneau Matt Lewis and Anthony Orlando through April 30 4620 Cass Detroit (313) 831-1400

College for Creative Studies: and Exhibit A present an exhibit of jewelry and metalwork by faculty and select students of Bowling Green State University, CCS Eastern Michigan University, University of Toledo Wayne State University, Cranbrook Academy of Art and University of Michigan continues to March 22 in the Walter B Ford II Building Atrium 201 East Kirby, Detroit (313) 664-7446

Community Arts Gallery: *Depopulated Landscapes*, recent paintings by Jim Nawara continues through March 1 Open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday Friday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 5400 Cullen Mall Wayne State University campus (313) 577-2423

Detroit Contemporary: Solo exhibits by Kamil Antos and Pavs, and site specific installations by Jeff Karolski Jeanne Pfordresher and Graeme Whyte continues to Sunday, March 24 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd Detroit (313) 898-4ART or visit the Web site at www.detroitcontemporary.com

Designhaus Gallery: Photography by Ken Marzorati continues to March 29 111 West Second Street Rochester (248) 601-4422

Farmington Art Corridor: Umoja Gallery presents work by African American artists through Friday March 15 hosted by cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills Farmington City Hall on Grand River, west of Farmington Road, and Farmington Hills City Hall, 11 Mile and Orchard Lake roads

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Let's Go!

Your Guide to Suburban Entertainment

Making contact: Please submit items for publication in Let's Go to Sharon Dargay, two weeks in advance of event Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax (734) 591-7279

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(248) 552 1070 or (248) 473 1856

Farmington Public Library: Watercolors by Barbara Eko Murphy through Feb 28 23500 Liberty west of Farmington south of Grand River

Focus: HOPE Gallery: Paints and Threads, mixed media paintings by African American artists Yvonne Lamar and Sabrina Nelson continue on exhibit to March 22 1400 Oakman Blvd Detroit

International Institute: The "Diversity Creates Beauty" quilt is now on exhibit through Feb 28 at the International Institute, 111 East Kirby Detroit (313) 871-8600

Janice Charach Epstein Gallery: Children of the World Illustrate the Bible continues to Feb 28, in the Jewish Community Center 6600 West Maple, West Bloomfield Five Artists Five Directions in Glass March 7 April 25 Demonstration of glass bead making and jewelry by Debbie Isaacs followed by dessert 7 30 p m Thursday March 21, tour of exhibit by artists followed by dessert and questions 7 30 p m Thursday April 11 (248) 432 5448

Elaine Jacob Gallery: Some Readings by Buzz Spector continue to March 15 Spector uses the Polaroid Corporation's 20-by-24-inch camera to shoot still life Wayne State University West Hancock and Second Detroit (313) 993 7813

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

Meadow Brook Art Gallery: Artisan Painters American Folk Portraits and Landscapes of the 18th and 19th Century March 1 April 10 Oakland University Rochester noon to 5 p m Tuesday Friday 1 30 p m Saturday Sunday (248) 370 3005

Picasso Cafe: Staci Miron exhibits son life paintings completed when pregnant with the firstborn son Paul Giovanni to Feb 28 39915 Grand River Farmington

Print Gallery: Collection of 62 fine art posters from the archives of the Vatican Library continue to March 24 29173 Northwestern Southfield (248) 356 5454

Revolution gallery: Amy Vogel's solo exhibition, a girl a monkey and a chicken, and Kirsten Mosher's paintings both through March 10 23257 Woodward Ferndale (248) 541 3444

Elizabeth Stone Gallery: Children's book illustration by Wendy Anderson Halperin continues to Feb 28 536 North Old Woodward Birmingham (248) 647 7040

Swords into Plowshares

Peace Center and Gallery: Afghanistan A Different Perspective photos by Afghan refugees in Pakistani camp continues to Feb 28 War and Peace exhibit by G Jesse Gledhill continues to April 13 33 East Adams Detroit (313) 963 7575

Southfield Centre for the Arts: Buffalo Soldiers Tuskegee Airmen, Cowgirls and Celebrities Before Christ painting exhibit by Ivan Stewart Jr continues through February 24350 Southfield Road, south of 10 Mile (248) 424-9022

Sybaris Gallery: Annual teapot exhibition featuring works from more than 20 artists continuing through March 2 202 East Third Royal Oak (248) 544-3388

Tangent Gallery: Gail mally mack retrospective Sticks and Stones, continues to March 2 715 East Milwaukee Detroit (313) 365 8864

University of Michigan: 17th annual Student Awards Exhibition continues to March 10 in the Jean Paul Slusser Gallery at the School of Art + Design 2000 Bonisteel Ann Arbor (734) 936 2082

University of Michigan Museum of Art: Women Who Ruled

Queens Goddesses Amazons 1500 1650 through May 5 Tickets \$8 per person person no charge for students/museum members 525 S State St Ann Arbor Open 10 a m to 5 p m Tuesday Saturday 10 a m to 9 p m Thursday, noon to 5 p m Sunday Closed Monday (734) 764-0395 www.umhlc.edu/~umma

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Century Theatre: Late Nite Catechism 2 p m Thursday, 8 p m Thursday Friday 6 p m and 9 p m Saturday 2 p m and 6 p m Sunday Detroit \$24 50 \$37 50 (313) 963 9800

Detroit Repertory Theatre: Jar the Floor continues to March 17 8 30 p m Thursday Saturday 3 p m Saturday 2 p m and 7 30 p m Sunday, Detroit \$15 (313) 868-1347, www.detroitreptheatre.com

Fisher Theatre: South Pacific continues to March 10 8 p m Tuesday Saturday 2 p m Saturday Sunday, and 7 30 p m Sunday Detroit \$35-\$70 (248) 645 6666, (313) 872 1000

Gem Theatre: Guys on Ice 2 p m Thursday 8 p m Thursday Friday, 6 p m and 9 p m Saturday 2 p m and 6 p m Sunday \$24 50-\$37 50 (313) 963-9800

Jewish Ensemble Theatre:

Present the Michigan premiere of the play about the brutal murder of Matthew Shepard a young gay college student The Laramie Project continues to Sunday March 24 Curtain 2 p m Sunday and Wednesday March 13, 7 30 p m Wednesday Thursday and Sunday, 8 p m Saturday no evening performance March 13 in the Aaron DeRoy Theatre lower level of the Jewish Community Center 6600 W Maple at Drake West Bloomfield \$16 \$28 with discounts available for seniors/students The Diary of Anne Frank by Francis Goodrich and Albert Hackett newly adapted by Wendy Kesselman 3 p m Sunday March 10 school performances 10 a m Monday Friday March 4 15 (\$5 students) at the Scottish Rite Cathedral Theatre in Masonic Temple 500 Temple Detroit (\$10 \$5 students) (248) 788 2900

Meadow Brook Theatre: Bee luther hatchee Michigan premiere of the mystery by Thomas Gibbons continues through March 10 Oakland University campus Rochester 8 p m Wednesday Thursday 6 30 p m Sunday 2 p m Wednesday Saturday Sunday \$26, 8 p m Friday, \$34 6 p m and 8 p m Saturday \$38 (248) 377 3300

Performance Network: Elizabeth Rex continues to March 3 8 p m Thursday Saturday and 2 p m Sunday at the theater Ann Arbor \$25, Friday Saturday \$20 Thursday and Sunday (734) 663-0681

Purple Rose Theatre: The roman tic comedy Months on End 8 p m Wednesday Saturday, and 3 p m Saturday, and 2 p m Sunday through March 16 at the theater 137 Park Street, Chelsea \$22 50 to \$32 50 (734) 433 7673

COMMUNITY THEATER

Avon Players: Don't Dress for Dinner 8 p m Friday Saturday and 2 p m Sunday March 13 8 10 and 15-16, at the playhouse 1185 Washington Road off Tienken Road east of Rochester Road, Rochester Hills \$13, \$11 seniors/students for Sunday performances (248) 608-9077

Bloomfield Players: The Sound of Music, 7 30 p m Friday Saturday March 8 9 March 15 16, 2 p m Sunday March 10 and 17 Andover High School Bloomfield Hills Tickets \$12 (248) 433 0885

Clarkston Village Players: Night Watch a thriller by Lucille Fletcher 7 30 p m Thursday 8 p m Friday Saturday March 1 to March 16 at the Clarkston Village Players \$12 Friday Saturday \$10 Thursday (248) 625-8811

Farmington Players: Present N Richard Nash's play about life and love in the drought stricken Midwest during the late 1930s The Rainmaker continues 8 p m Friday Saturday, March 1 2 at the theater inside Barnes & Noble 6800 Orchard Lake Road, south of Maple West Bloomfield \$13 (248) 219 0800

Plymouth Theatre Guild: Bring to life the Wizard of Oz L Frank Baum's classic tale about a young girl whose only wish is to go home to Kansas 8 p m Friday Saturday March 1 2 at the Water Tower Theatre on the campus of Northville Psychiatric Hospital 41001 Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty \$14 \$10 youth age 18 and under (248) 349 7110

Ridgedale Players: Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap opens 8 p m Friday March 1 and continues weekends to March 15 8 p m Friday Saturday 2 p m Sunday, at the playhouse 205 West Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks Troy \$12, \$11 students/seniors on



Classic mystery: Ridgedale Players cast members Nancy Cannava (Rochester Hills) and John Yono (Livonia) rehearse Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap." The production runs 8 p m Friday-Saturday and 2 p m Sunday March 1-3, 8-10 and 15-17, at the playhouse, 205 West Long Lake, between Livernois and Crooks, Troy. The thriller focuses on a handful of odd characters trapped in an isolated house during a major snowstorm. Tickets are \$12, \$11 for seniors and students on Sundays. Call (248) 988-7049.

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Sundays only: (248) 988-7049

SRO Productions: Picnic, William Inge's drama 8 p m Friday Saturday March 12 and 8-9 and 2 p m Sunday March 3 and 10 in the Historic Church on the corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road one block east of Telegraph Southfield \$10 \$8 seniors/students (248) 827 0710

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook: Picasso at the Lapin Agile 8 p m Friday Saturday March 15-16 and 22 23 and 2 p m Sunday March 17 in the theater at Cranbrook Bloomfield Hills \$12 \$10 students/seniors (248) 644-0527 Special dinner/theater package for March 15 includes dinner at the Ocean Grille and a ticket to the production for \$50 (248) 593 3093

Trinity House Theatre: The Queen of Bingo presented by Flanders Theatre Company and Trinity House Theatre continues to March 17 8 p m Friday Saturday March 12 8 9 and 15 16 and 3 p m Sunday, March 3, 10 and 17 at Trinity House Theatre 38840 West Six Mile Road, Livonia \$12 \$10 seniors/students (313) 538 5739

Mt. Zion Theatre Company: Three act drama Refuge of Lies 8 p m Friday Saturday March 1 2 March 8 9 \$8 advance \$7 students/seniors \$10 at the door Mt Zion Center for Performing Arts 4453 Clintonville Road Waterford (248) 391 6166

Players Guild of Dearborn: Murder by Misadventure opens 8 p m Friday March 1 and continues weekends through March 17 Curtain 8 p m Friday Saturday, 2 30 p m Sunday March 10 and 17, 21730 Madison, Dearborn \$11 (313) 561 TKTs

SPECIAL EVENTS

Detroit Zoo Travel Night: Slide presentation about the zoo's upcoming trip to Kenya (July 31 to Aug 12) and the opportunity to speak with tour leader Darryl McFadden the zoo's deputy director 6 p m Tuesday March 5 in the Wildlife Interpretive Gallery at the zoo 8450 West 10 Mile Royal Oak For reservations call (248) 541 5717 ext 1202

X-Trava Con: Comic book toy and non sport card show 10 a m 4 p m Sunday March 3 at the Knights of Columbus Hall 19801 Farmington Road between Seven and Eight Mile Livonia \$2 (248) 426 8059

Chili Cook-off: Hosted by Page's Food & Spirits to benefit the Farmington Hills Farmington Mayor's Youth Council and Miss Farmington Oakland Scholarship Program 1 4 p m Sunday, March 3 at Page's in downtown Farmington (248) 471 9042 or (248) 473 1805

Ann Arbor Film Festival: March 10 17 at the Michigan Theatre in downtown Ann Arbor Opening reception 5 30 p m Friday March 10 visit www.aafilmfest.org or call (734) 995-5356

Denim and Diamonds: A fund raiser for the Plymouth Community Arts Council annual dinner dance and auction 5 30 p m to midnight Saturday, March 2, at St. John's Golf and Conference Center Plymouth \$75, \$65 for members (734) 416-4278 All proceeds from the benefit support arts council programming

MASKORAIIDE for COTS: A gala benefit featuring mask auction dinner and dancing, 6 30 p m to midnight Saturday March 9, Detroit Yacht Club, 1 River Bank Road, Belle Isle \$125 Proceeds help feed and house the homeless at COTS (Coalition on Temporary Shelter) (313) 576 0219

Musical revue: Featuring Michael Noun and the national touring cast of South Pacific 7 30 p m Monday March 4 Temple Israel 5725 Walnut Lake Road West Bloomfield Afterglow and dessert reception after show Proceeds benefit Michigan Jewish AIDS Coalition and Broadway Cares - Equity Fights AIDS \$72 \$36 (248) 594-6522

Performance Network: Birthday Bash featuring strolling buffet live jazz and entertainment silent auction, 7 p m Friday, March 1 at the Courthouse Square Ballroom upstairs from Performance Network, 120 East Huron, Ann Arbor \$50 sponsor ship packages available (734) 663-0696

Wine & Memories: A fundraiser for the Emerald Sinfonietta 5 30 p m Sunday March 10, John Jonna of Merchant's Fine Wine will conduct a wine tasting entertainment by Bob Allison Alice Haidostian and Felix

Resnick at the Belian Art Center: 5980 Rochester Road Troy \$100 (313) 438 0780 or visit the Web site at www.emeralfonietta.org

COLLEGE THEATER

Bonstelle Theatre: The Adding Machine, 8 p m Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p m Sundays March 13 and 8-10 3424 Woodward Detroit \$8 10 (313) 577 2960

Hilberly Theatre: The Importance of Being Earnest plays in rotating repertory through April 4, William Shakespeare's The Tempest continues in rotating repertory to Thursday, March 28, 4743 Cass Ave Wayne State University campus Detroit \$12 \$20 (313) 577 2972

DINNER THEATER

Theatre Arts Productions: Present Murder Madness a mystery 6 30 p m Friday March 1 at the Historic Longacre House 24705 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills Tickets \$60, includes dinner (248) 477 8404

Jack's Waterfront Restaurant: Always Patsy Cline 8 p m Friday Saturday through March 8 \$17 show only come early for dinner 24212 Jefferson St Clair Shores (810) 445 8080

Resnick at the Belian Art Center 5980 Rochester Road Troy \$100 (313) 438 0780 or visit the Web site at www.emeralfonietta.org

DINING ADVENTURES

Schoolcraft College: Seventh annual Winterfest Beer Tasting 7 9 p m Thursday March 21 Patrons must be 21 or older Tickets \$35 include fine cuisine up to 50 tastings of assorted beer, door prizes and complimentary tasting class Tickets available at Merchant Fine Wine locations or call (734) 462-4422 All tickets are pre sale only

CLASSICAL

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings: 8 p m Friday, March 8 preconcert discussion with Timothy Kramer at 7 15 p m at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave north of Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills \$22 \$18 students seniors (248) 559 2095

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Celebrates the contributions of African Americans to classical music 8 30 p m Saturday, March 2 and 3 p m Sunday March 3 at Orchestra Hall 3711 Woodward Ave Detroit \$20 \$54 Call (313) 576-5111 Gala to raise funds for the DSO's African American education and musical programs begins 5 30 p m Saturday with a cocktail reception dinner and concert followed by afterglow Tickets \$175 Call (313) 576 5119

Sonnet Quartet: 7 p m Sunday, March 10 in Varner Recital Hall on the Oakland University campus Rochester \$12 \$10 seniors \$6 students (248) 370 3013

AUDITIONS/ OPPORTUNITIES

Avon Players: Auditions for Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat 6 p m Sunday March 3 (children singing only) and 7 p m Sunday Monday March 3 4 (adults) at the playhouse 1185 Washington Road off Tienken Road, east of Rochester Road Rochester Hills For performances April 26 28 May 3 5 10 12 and 16 18 (248) 652 6397

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

Clarkston Village Players: Auditions for six men and four women for Lucky Stiff a musical by Lyn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty 2 p m Sunday March 3 and 7 p m Monday March 4 at the Clarkston Village Players (248) 625-8811

Great Lakes Lyric Opera: And the Southfield Centre for the Arts are looking for high school students to compete March 17 Applicants must be a junior or senior in high school and a resident of Michigan or Ontario, Canada Auditions will take place at the Southfield Centre for the Arts Prizes will be awarded For information, call (248) 547 2027 or send e mail to GLLO@Mediaone.net

Ridgedale Players: Auditions for a summer production of Hamlet Saturday Sunday, March 2 3 (248) 682 2175 auditions for five women and five men (ages 20s to 60s) for Wake Up Darling, a comedy by Alex Gottlieb 7 30 p m Monday March 11 at the playhouse 205 West Long Lake Road between Livernois and Crooks Troy For performances May 3 19 (586) 573 6762

POPS/SWING/ CABARET

Al Jarreau: With the Detroit Symphony Orchestra under conductor Thomas Wilkins 8 p m Friday March 1 at Orchestra Hall 3711 Woodward \$25 \$65 (313) 576 1111

Bird of Paradise Orchestra: 9 p m Monday at the Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor (734) 662 8310 (big band swing pop)



On tour: The Saw Doctors perform rock music with Irish roots 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, at the Magic Bag, Ferndale Admission is \$15 Call the Magic Bag's hotline at (248) 544-3030 for more information.

DINING OUT

Kitschy restaurant showcases southern Italian cooking

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

Funky, wacky and kitschy You get this impression at the entrance. It only gets louder as you make your way down to this new basement restaurant in Birmingham's Palladium building.

That fits since "Joe's basement" is the translation of Buca di Beppo.

Buca is "basement" and beppo is slang for "buddy Joe." Who's Joe? Look for his photo. If you can't find it, a friendly waitperson will point it out.

Let me warn you "Small" on the menu, posted on the wall, means a large portion. A "large" order is gigantic. In the Southern Italian tradition, all Buca di Beppo menu offerings arrive on family platters, in portions meant to be shared.

There's full bar service, house wines and beer. Wine lovers should check the wine list on the table for wines by the bottle. Whites run \$27 to \$50 and reds \$22 to \$90 for a bottle of Bolla Amarone. Southern Italian wines are hot right now, but there aren't many of these on the list to accompany Buca's rustic Southern Italian dishes. Too bad, because these wines are not only good but terrific bargains.

Fun
Buca di Beppo is all about fun



At your service: Buca di Beppo server David Martin explains the menu items to customers (from left), Diane Albright, Beth North, and John North.

and reasonably-priced dishes created by Corporate Executive Chef Vittorio Renda, a native of the Calabria region of Southern Italy. Renda trains chefs at each of the 72 Buca di Beppo locations, including Livonia, in 22 states and the District of Columbia. They are owned by Buca, Inc., a public company

(Nasdaq: BUCA) headquartered in Minneapolis. "We cater to celebratory dining from baptisms, baby showers, bachelorette parties to retirement dinners. Yet, our Buca per Due (Buca for two) indicates we are conscious of couples and families with children," said operating partner and general manager

Tim Kenrick. "Our carry-out option of one plate with a whole meal is a simple solution for a family dinner at home." Kenrick's remarks are on target. Yet, eating at Buca is such a trip, you've got to do it, provided you're not bent on a quiet evening at a corner table. In addition to Joe and the base-

ment, humor reigns at Buca from the placemat that locates the city of Naples at the Swiss border to the Passion Pit seating six, and on to the Wine Room with its shrine to Frank Sinatra and vines and wines ceiling.

In another room there's the Pope's Table seating 16 with a Lazy Susan. The only way you can eat on the ground floor is to reserve the table for six to eight in the kitchen. If you like noise and action, you'll be in the thick of it there.

But you're hungry, and atmosphere is only one dimension. Consider Rigatoni Positano, rigatoni pasta tossed with marinara sauce, sauteed chicken, eggplant and fresh mozzarella. It's a breakaway hit. Veal Limone, delicate scaloppini served over sauteed escarole and cannellini beans, topped with a smooth, but assertive lemon sauce, scores well. Buca per Due at \$23, and designed for two to three people to share, has

caught on. It marries a baked specialty (manicotti, stuffed shells, baked ravioli or cannelloni) with one of four main courses: chicken with lemon, eggplant or chicken or veal parmigiana.

If you save room, there are also seven delicious, stretch pants friendly desserts, including Torta Doppia Cioccolato, the Southern Italian version of death by chocolate.

Buca has been recognized by Bon Appetit magazine as one of America's "Best New Restaurants." It won a host of additional awards, including "Hot Concepts!" from Nation's Restaurant News and "Tops for Fun" from *Gourmet* magazine.

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closet for things, shoes - everyone relates to them. Just like dogs, shoes reflect their owner."

Monument to labor
Chris Churchill's *Detroit Pants II* mirrors his view of Detroit. The Bloomfield Hills resident came up with the concept for the assemblage after driving through the inner city. Churchill originally hails from the West Coast. Pants soaked in tar, a broom burnt then preserved with bee's wax, the assemblage tells a story of Detroit's decimated labor force.

ing these burned out buildings and refuse and wondering what it must have been at one time," said Churchill, a student in the fiber program at Cranbrook Academy of Art. "It's a small humble monument to the male worker of a certain labor force."

Helene Lubin's work while much more traditional still has a message if ever so subtle. Painted in oil from a photograph she took last year in Paris, *The Red Umbrella* shows an outsider observing a scene, savoring a moment in time.

Lubin is currently working on paintings for a group show about

celebration at the Janice Charach Epstein Gallery in May. Since graduating with master degree in medical illustration from the University of Michigan, Lubin's worked for pharmaceutical companies and medical malpractice attorneys.

"What appealed to me is it's this dreary scene with this bright red umbrella and a woman taking it all in," said Lubin, a Bloomfield Hills resident. "I identified with her being an observer. I enjoy painting street scenes and people. I like to paint. It helps to get my feelings out. That's something you

can't do with medical illustration." Lizbeth Spink is looking forward to installing the work by the 53 artists. Not to be missed are Armin Mersmann's exquisitely executed pencil drawings, Curt LaCrosse's gripping stoneware portraits of elderly men, and Boyd Quinn's 60- by 70-inch mixed media work with black paint raining over rows of flag-dropped coffins. It will be up to viewers to decide

what Kim Maguire is trying to say with *No Racing*, a 6-foot sculpture of steel head-shaped forms, or Marie Wohaldo with her piece which strings so many fiber thumbs together.

"I'm looking forward to installing the show because of the various media and styles and sizes," said Spink, associate director of exhibitions. "Some of them are very large. It makes for a dynamic show."

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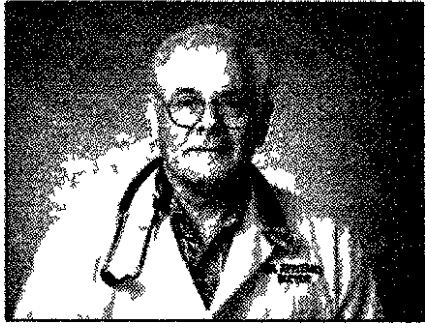
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APPLIANCE DOCTOR



JOE GAGNON

Honest companies respect code of ethics

This column is written for all the good appliance repair companies who have been around for years and can't stand the image created by a select few unethical outfits

If the honest guys had their way, they would have every service company in America working and swearing to a code of ethics that if broken would constitute a loss of business and legal punishment

I use as an example the code designed by the National Electronic Service Dealers Association

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7 I will offer clean, attractive and inviting facilities as well as courteous and competent personnel

8 Accurate statements or invoices will be rendered to the customers and a comprehensive record of all work will be kept. I will strive to assure that my prices are understood and easily available. All complaints will be promptly and courteously handled

9 The property of all customers will be carefully handled and adequate insurance will be carried to protect this property while in my custody

10 I will seek always to improve myself, to increase my efficiency, and to better my services

11 I will perform only such work as is needed and authorized by the customer, and all parts will be new and first quality unless otherwise specified

12 I will strive to continually improve the image and reputation of the industry by practicing good and enlightened public relations in the community, and to keep the community adequately informed of the functions and services of my firm and the industry

13 I will participate loyally in the industry's growth and progress through the activities and public interest efforts of the association

There you have it, folks, a fine ethics code that could be adopted by any company in any service business

There are some in the appliance repair industry who would laugh at such a code of ethics. In the weeks ahead we will all discover who can meet such a code and who can't

Stay tuned

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

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Woodworkers' guild members prepare for showcase

BY LANA MINI
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Bill Gayde of Royal Oak painted a gleeful smile on the face of his wooden rocking horse that delighted children. Intricate details carved on a museum replica by Dan Reahard of Plymouth awed the adults.

There's a wide variety of projects made by members of the Michigan Woodworkers Guild and once again woodworkers from the metro-Detroit area are busily preparing for their upcoming showcase to benefit ill children.

The guild is hosting Wood 2002 from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 10 at the Livonia Senior Center on Farmington Road in Livonia. Admission and parking are free. Nearly 400 local woodworkers will display their creations, plus a silent toy auction is being held to benefit Children's Hospital of Detroit. The woodworkers buy axes, paint, glue, wheels and more with the proceeds — then throughout the year they build toys for hospitalized children.

"Helping the kids is our main goal," woodworker John Sanchez, of Dearborn, said. "The guild donates toys to the hospital and last year we gave 600. This year, we're concentrating on fewer, but bigger toys."

Sanchez emphasizes that woodworkers won't sell their items at the show, but items can be held to purchase outside of it. Expect to see items like curio cabinets, hutches, grandfather clocks, and furniture from different woods, time periods and styles.

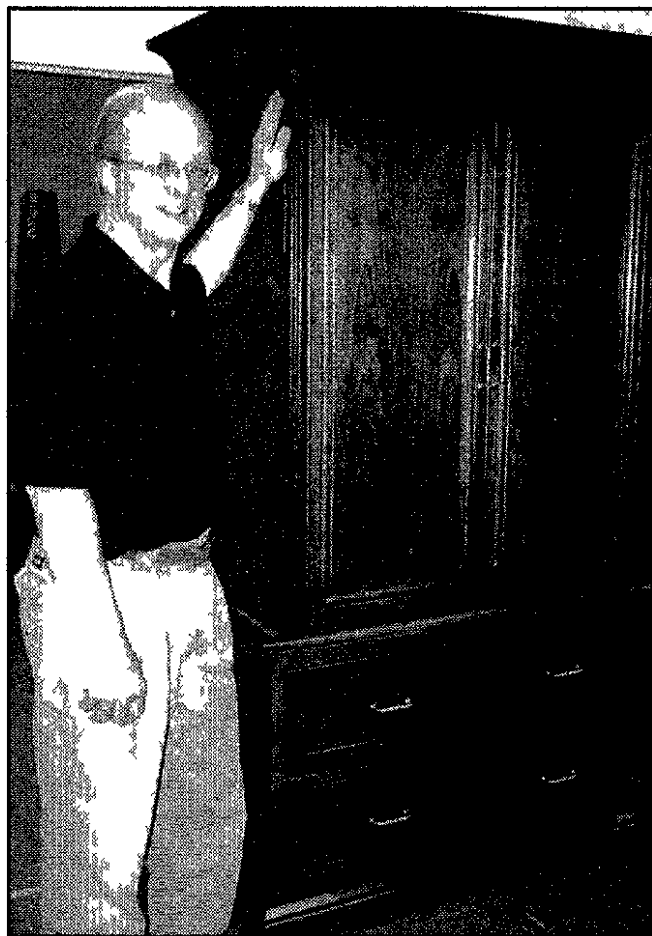
A sample of last year's showcase:

- Louis Grapp, of Walled Lake, displayed a baby crib
- Harry Worosz, of Livonia, displayed toy cars and trucks
- Bob Mills, of Beverly Hills, displayed an outdoor bench

■ Douglas Breed, of Plymouth, displayed a table. Bill Gayde of Royal Oak said he loves the show because he can view the talents of his fellow woodworkers who live throughout Michigan. Gayde, 68, has dabbled in woodwork since he was 8.

"My great-grandfather was a cooper and made wooden barrels. My grandfather and my father were interested in woodwork and the interest was passed down to me," Gayde said. "I make one of kind furniture and toys making the toys and giving them to the kids is the best part."

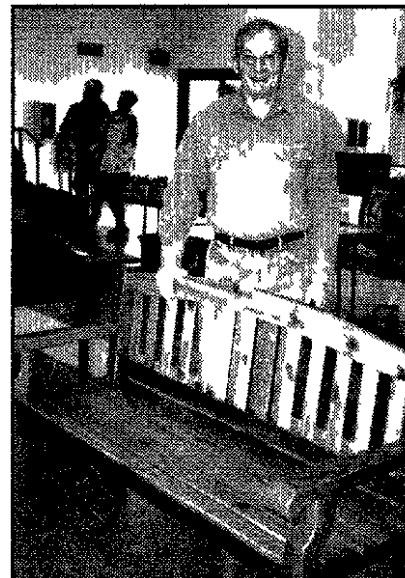
Many of the woodworkers are retirees who create items



Professional: Jim Robinson (left), of Rochester Hills, is the proud creator of this armoire. Furniture, toys and other type of woodwork will be on display at Wood 2002, at the Livonia Senior Center.



Replica: Dan Reahard, of Plymouth, creates replicas of museum pieces including this cabinet pictured here.



Ready for summer: This indoor/outdoor bench is ideal for a garden, patio or Florida room. Woodworker Bob Mills (right), of Beverly Hills, is the creator.

for their families, especially their grandchildren. Gayde recently sent a doll high chair to his granddaughter.

"It's better than sitting in front of the television," he said.

Whether the workers join the guild as a hobby or to hone professional skills, there's plenty of well-crafted items at the show, Sanchez said.

Sanchez creates three-dimensional woodcarvings like landscape views from Hawaii and Yellowstone Park. His project of a northern Michigan forest was carved with 15,000 branches and 5000 leaves. He'll display a 3-foot carving of the USS Constitution, still unfinished. He makes furniture, and recently created a black walnut curio cabinet.

"Members of the guild have a wide range of skills," Sanchez said. "From hobbyists to professionals."

Sanchez hopes the group will gain new wood enthusiasts at the show. New members are always encouraged and classes are taught for newcomers and already skilled carvers and builders.

"The majority of members are men but we're actively trying to increase the membership of women," he said. "Right now there's about 30 women and it's growing rapidly. We welcome everyone."

The guild has been making toys for kids at Children's Hospital since 1990. Toy cars, trucks, boats, buses, rocking horses, trains and more are delivered throughout the year.

WOOD SHOWCASE

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GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

Writers share practical, personal wisdom

The selection of books this month will teach us much about nature and gardening. Timber Press publishes the first two *Variegated Plants: The Encyclopedia of Patterned Foliage* and *Japanese Maples Third Edition*.

Variegated Plants, Susan Conder, photographs by Andrew Lawson (\$24.95, soft), covers the gamut of plants that have more than one color in the leaves whether they are small or large.

Conder introduces us to the various forms and colorings and points out the "painterly variegations." She also suggests ways to use the plants to take advantage of the remarkable foliage. She tells how variegations work, how to site these plants, how to buy and to grow the great variety that nature offers. Photos show ideal placement.

Japanese Maples, J.D. Vertrees, revised and expanded by Peter Gregory (\$49.95), is the only book in English solely devoted to these plants.

Vertrees was an entomologist, nurseryman and educator who collected rare and unusual cultivars of *Acer palmatum*. At one time he had the largest collection of Japanese maples in the United States at his nursery in Oregon.

We learn how plants are named, their history (long and interesting), the various forms and colors that are available and the special characteristics of Japanese maples. That's not all — propagation techniques and excellent cultural requirements are included.

The encyclopedic section contains descriptions of hundreds of plants and, where possible, the meanings of the Japanese names. Photos enhance this scholarly work. Written for gardeners at every level, the text flows flawlessly.

Sharing wisdom

The 12 Month Gardener: Simple Strategies for Extending Your Growing Season, Jeff Ashton (Lark Books, a division of Sterling, \$24.95), is basically about making your own cold frames, row covers, greenhouses, etc.

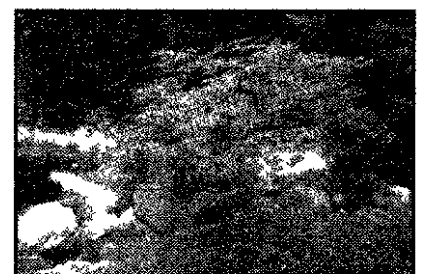
Ashton calls many of them contraptions. He shows that it's not always necessary to use new materials — recycled materials work perfectly well. He makes it all seem so simple, the photos and drawings are a great help. A list of vegetables for cold weather gardens is a bonus.

Jane Gifford has written *The Wisdom of Trees* (Sterling, \$17.95, paper). Using the Celtic alphabet as her base, she describes many familiar trees to share the magic of each one.

We learn about the traditional meaning, healing properties, flower remedies, culinary uses and folklore associated with each tree as well as the alternative names. The wonderful photographs are mystical and the stories about each tree are interesting.

For instance, ash, the world tree, tree of life, is the tree for this time of year, the Feb. 18 through March 17. Its buds are the most distinctive part, and begin to ooze sticky resin as the sap begins to rise in the spring. Flowers are petal-less with

Please see FIGLEY, C2



Magnificent maple: Japanese maples make attractive specimen plants.

Figley from page C1

purple stamens that appear in April

Graham Stuart Thomas' *Three Gardens: The Personal Odyssey of a Great Plantsman and Gardener*, Graham Stuart Thomas (Sagepress, \$29.95), is remarkable. It showcases his long career as a horticulturist and garden designer.

Thomas describes his gardens from the first shovelful of soil to the glory of the flowers, and along the way he "slips in" horticultural tidbits that he has found success-

ful

For 30 years Thomas was gardens adviser and supervised the restoration of many famous gardens in Great Britain when he worked for the National Trust. He spent several years working in nurseries and honing his skills.

His lively writing and his telling of stories and personal experiences are testament to the fact that he loved his work. A reference guide and plant index are thoughtfully included, as are his drawings.

Cutting remarks

Published by Brandy Lane Publishers Inc. in 2000, *Flowers are Almost Forever: The Care and Handling of Cut Flowers*, Libbey Oliver (\$12, soft), is the most comprehensive book on the subject I have seen.

The latest techniques are featured. Oliver teaches how to prepare the flowers, care and handle them and make long-lasting arrangements.

She also tells how to pick them from the garden and how to choose the florists' latest offerings. Tips to make the job easier with less stress on the arranger are innovative.

A long list of flowers contains specific information, i.e. those sensitive to ethylene, vase life, temperature and Oliver's personal comments.

GOODGARDEN TIPS

- Check your stored summer flowering bulbs and remove any that show signs of rotting.

- Bordine Nursery is hosting a Garden 101 seminar March 9 (10 a.m. in Rochester Hills, 1 p.m. in Brighton). Call (248) 651-9000 for details.

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

Tips can help organize kids' rooms

Q My children's rooms are a disaster area. The floor is piled, the closet is full, and the dresser drawers do not close. I would like order but I am not sure where to start.

A It is important to teach your children how to organize their room. You need order now and they need these skills for later on in life so they will be able to function efficiently in their own home and place of employment. Maintaining clutter control in your child's room does not have to be an impossible task if you create a workable system. Whether your children are preschool, school age, or teenagers, you can help them obtain and maintain order. Implement the following ideas and systems to achieve clutter control.

Containerize clothing, accessories, and toys by putting like items together. Use plastic or more decorative containers such as wicker, canvas, or wood. If every item has a specific place it

is more likely to return to its place. Use lidded containers so you can stack them on top of each other.

Store a few keepsakes in the bedroom and put the overflow in a container in a basement storage area. This would include items such as trophies, artwork, and knickknacks.

For younger children, rotate toys from the bedroom to another location or use the top of the closet. Children can be overwhelmed and bored if they have too many toys to choose from. As you periodically change the toys, it will feel like Christmas.

Exchange off season clothing to another location so closets and drawers close easily.

Limit the amount of 'little pieces' from toys and games. Use zip-lock bags and small lidded containers to store small items such as Lego's, Barbie accessories, building blocks, etc.

Make sure your child is able to make his bed by himself. Use a comforter because it is easy to make and you do not have to worry about wrinkles from the sheet or blanket. The bed should be away from the wall so the comforter can slide down the side with ease.

Use under-bed storage con-

tainers for toys, stuffed animals, clothing items, shoes, and craft items. Containers with rollers make it easier to access the contents.

Use a hanging sweater or shoe shelf in the closet to store shoes, clothing, games and toys. Younger children do not usually need as much hanging space.

A bookshelf is a good storage place for books, however, it will also hold games, puzzles, and toys. Use a small square basket on the shelf to hold small books, which tend to fall over on the shelf. You can also use a bookshelf as a back-up dresser. Place wicker or plastic baskets on the shelf to hold socks, pajamas, T-shirts, etc.

Use laundry baskets, large plastic containers, or a wooden toy box for stuffed toys, trucks and larger items.

Use another area other than the bedroom as a play area. When our children were young, we bought a small area rug for our unfinished basement so they had another play area other than the bedroom. This was a good place to roll cars and build with blocks.

Donate or sell outgrown clothing and toys to avoid crammed closets, shelves, and drawers.

Designate a basket or shelf in the closet for shoes. An alternative for shoe storage is to store shoes in a hall closet, laundry room, or garage. We use a shoe storage system in our garage to keep dirty shoes out of our bedrooms.

Some children need to share a room because of limited bedroom space. It is important that each child has his own space in the bedroom. Our boys shared a room for many years and we divided areas in half. Each son had one side of the closet and their own dresser drawers. They were each responsible for their own area.

It is important once you have helped your child organize his room, that you help him maintain order. You need to check the room daily to make sure everything has returned to its home.

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- Change your furnace filter regularly.

- Drain your water tank periodically to get rid of any sediment.

- Get a propane leak detector from your supplier. If you smell a leak, immediately evacuate the premises, and get to a nearby phone to call your supplier or the local fire department.

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six classes and complete 10 hours of volunteer gardening A parent or guardian must attend the classes with the child The classes will cover soil vegetables houseplants wildlife flowers trees shrubs and lawns The cost is \$20 per child and covers the Junior Master Gardener notebook classroom supplies a T shirt and newsletter Maximum class size will be 20 students Deadline for registration is Thursday Feb 21 Registration forms can be obtained at the Livonia Public Libraries For details call (734) 427 9658

Schoolcraft College: Nancy Lindley will teach the Schoolcraft College class Radiant Roses Anyone with at least six hours of sun a day in the summer can grow roses said Lindley You can work around problems like poor soil but not around the issue of sun light The five week

class meets 6 9 p m beginning Monday March 18 Lindley will help backyard gardeners recognize the main rose categories and teach them how to select fertilize prune train and winter protect the plants and produce glorious blooms in the spring and summer The class will culminate with a visit to a rose garden on April 14 The fee for the class is \$98 For more information or to register contact the Schoolcraft College Continuing Education Services department at (734) 462 4448 Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads just west of I 275 in Livonia

Photographing flowers Steven Nikkila a noted horticultural photographer of gardens and plants will present How to photograph our favorite flowers up close to show the details of each flower

7 30 p m Thursday, Feb 28 at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center 3500 Marais Royal Oak three blocks east of Crooks Road and three blocks north of 13 Mile Road Nikkila maintains a fully indexed slide library of over 90 000 color slides His photographs are used by Perennial Favorites American Nurseryman The Landscapist Country Journal Fine Gardening Michigan Gardener and other publications

Along with photography Steven is a horticultural instructor at the Michigan School of Gardening and co-owner of Perennia There is no charge and the lecture is open to the public

Spring Berry Garland Workshop: Jacquie Carney of Paterson Carney Florist will hold a workshop in her shop for creating a Spring Berry Garland that would be suitable for a doorway over a hutch on a

stair railing or down the middle of a dining table The workshop is 2 30 p m Tuesday, Feb 26 in the shop 239 Pierce Street in downtown Birmingham This workshop has been one of Paterson Carney's most popular ones Participants will be able to select from a number of vines berry garlands berry picks and ribbons to create a beautiful bright garland Cost of the workshop is \$20 plus materials Materials will cost \$40-\$60 Sample garlands are on display in the shop Pre registration for this workshop is required call (248) 647 7477

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New chargers, batteries, pack a bigger punch

(NAPSA) - During the last decade, power tool manufacturers redesigned their tools to be more versatile, powerful and user-friendly With the introduction of cordless power tools, professional and do-it-yourself jobs have been made easier and more comfortable When purchasing a cordless power tool, consider these battery pack and charger points to select the appropriate tool for your needs

'No Memory Effect'

Until recently, power tool battery chargers were not "smart" enough to recognize a battery's charge condition and, often times, overcharged batteries Overcharging causes the battery to overheat and degrades the battery's chemistry This degradation leads to what's known as a "memory effect," or a reduced battery capacity with each charge

Milwaukee Electronic Tool Corp., a leading power tool manufacturer, equips its entire line of Power Plus™ cordless power tools with 'no memory effect

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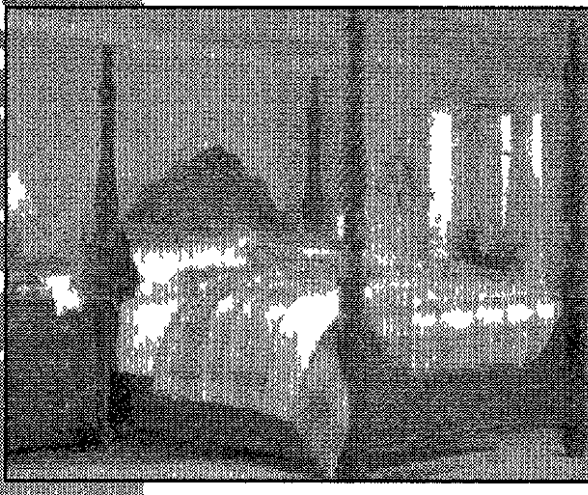
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Publication helps manage fertilizer runoff to protect water quality

The late spring and early summer ushers in flowers, gar dens, manicured lawns and, all too often, over-fertilization.

Nutrients from excess fertilizers run into storm drains that empty directly into the region's streams, rivers and lakes and degrade water quality.

SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, offers *Managing Fertilizer to Protect our Water Resources*, a publication to help local leaders wade through the regulatory confusion that often accompanies the topic and gives suggestions for solutions through education and regulation.

"Every stream in southeast Michigan empties to a major waterway," said Chuck Hersey, SEMCOG environmental programs manager.

"If I put too much fertilizer on my lawn in Northville, it can end up in the Rouge River and, ultimately, Lake Erie. In that way, every home in southeast Michigan is on waterfront property."

Upon reaching rivers and lakes nutrients from fertilizer cause excess weed growth, which depletes the oxygen supply for fish and aquatic insects and makes the water unusable for boating and swimming.

The publication is an outgrowth of the revised *Water Quality Management Plan for Southeast Michigan*, which places greater emphasis on reducing pollution from storm water runoff from streets, yards, farmlands, driveways and parking lots.

Water that was once absorbed into the ground — replenishing

groundwater and controlling flooding — now flows directly into rivers and streams, picking up dirt, oils and other contaminants along the way.

Both the *Water Quality Management Plan for Southeast Michigan* and *Managing Fertilizer to Protect our Water Resources* are available from SEMCOG Information Services and are in PDF on the SEMCOG Web site (www.semco.org/cgi-bin/products/pubs_all.cfm).

Many residents look to their local governments for guidelines to help them implement safe and healthy environmental practices.

"People look to their elected leaders to make sure that the health and safety of the food they eat, their medicine, and the products they buy meet safety standards," Hersey said.

Water meter can help in detecting a leak

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Q Colleen asks How can I find a leak in my house? My water bill keeps going up. Sometimes I can hear water dripping in the bathroom after the sink has been used, but then it stops.

A If you are on a public water system, chances are you have a water meter somewhere on or near your property. Besides telling you how much water you are using, it can help you detect leaks.

Water meters look a little like a speedometer. Subtract the first reading from the second to find out how many cubic feet of water you have used. A cubic foot contains 7.5 gallons of water. For example, if the first reading is 006300 and the second — a week later — is 006400, your use for one week was 100 cubic feet or 750 gallons (100 cubic feet x 7.5 gallons per cubic foot = 750 gallons). That's an average of slightly more than 107 gallons per day. In some communities all you need to do is read your water bill to discover this information.

To use your water meter to

detect a hidden leak, turn off every plumbing fixture in your house for a couple of hours. Don't forget the built-in ice-maker or the reverse-osmosis water filtration system. They turn themselves on automatically. Once everything is off, take a meter reading. If the reading changes, a leak exists.

If the leak is a plumbing pipe or fitting located in the attic or walls, chances are great that you would have seen water dripping from the ceiling or noticed damp spots on the walls or floor. If, on the other hand, the pipes are in the crawlspace or basement, it might require a bit of investigative work to find the leak.

It also is possible to have a leak between the water meter and the main shut-off valve where water enters your home. To determine if the pipe between these two points is leaking, shut off the main-water supply valve at the house, and check to see if the meter continues to show water is being used. If such is the case, it's time to call in a leak-detection company. Using state-of-the-art technol-

ogy, they will be able to pinpoint the leak for repair. They can also find an evasive leak in your home.

Q Tim asks We have a 3-inch schedule 40 PVC drain from a bathroom that runs about 8 feet down through the basement. When hot water is draining from the bath, there is a loud cracking sound generated in the drain-pipe. What can I do to the drain-pipe to reduce the noise?

A The cracking noise is the result of expansion and contraction of the PVC pipe as it heats up and cools down — when hot water is run through it. While there are many means to deal with this problem, we believe that the best solution is to replace the PVC pipe with a section of no-hub cast iron. Use no-hub couplings to connect the cast iron to the PVC. You not only will be rid of your cracking noise, you also will hardly be able to hear water running through the new pipe.

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BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gardening books are definitely a growth industry.

Takashi Sawano is one of the world's best-regarded designers of Japanese gardens — and he has concentrated on creating them outside of Japan. In *Creating Your Own Japanese Garden* (Shufunotomo/Japan Publications, via Kodansha America, \$32 hardcover) he offers help to Western gardeners who want them.

"If they are designed and created with care Japanese gardens can blend surprisingly well into Western settings," he writes. They may even provide solutions that Western gardens do not offer to problems such as lack of space, insufficient light, even poor soil.

And one hallmark of the

Japanese garden is privacy. Bamboo fences bring both seclusion and style to the garden area. Learn how in *Building Bamboo Fences* (Graphic-sha Publishing, via Kodansha America, \$19.95 paperback), by Isao Yoshikawa. The author covers both techniques and styles.

For inspiration in planning that garden, look at *A Japanese Touch for Your Garden* (Kodansha International, \$25 paperback), by Kiyoshi Seike, Masanobu Kudo, with David H Engel. You'll see how the Japanese use stones, carved lanterns and signposts, water works paths and other elements.

The improvements of rose types in recent years — hardier, more disease-resistant, repeating blooms — has made it possible to use them freely in landscaping. Jeff Cox explores the possibilities in *Landscape with Roses* (Taunton Books, \$27.95 paperback, with photographs by Jerry Pavia).

He shows how they can hold their own as borders, foundation plantings, massed as shrubs and

in other garden roles.

Gardening in Containers and *Accent Your Garden* (each \$17.95 paperback) are the newest titles in Taunton's Fine Gardening Design Guides series, which draws on the expertise of contributors to *Fine Gardening* magazine. The *Containers* title offers ideas for using urns, pots, baskets, window boxes, and even old housewares to grow things, inside and out. And the *Accent* book illustrates creative ideas for laying out your garden design with arbors, trellises, paving, fences, statuary and other objects.

A great advantage of growing your own herbs is that besides providing fresh ingredients for your cooking, the plants play a decorative part in your garden, either alone or in partnership with your flowers and shrubs. *Better Homes and Gardens Herbs* (Meredith Publishing, \$16.95 paperback) offers ideas to grow these versatile plants in the city, country, as knot gardens and landscapes, and even those little odd spaces.

CLARIFICATION

The Feb. 7 article about Diane Salm's garden should have said that castor beans are annuals, not perennials.

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LYNN WALDSMITH-PAWLIK

Readers say the darndest things

It's great to hear from people who are reading and apparently enjoying this column. Every once in awhile we publish some reader feedback, and I invite you to share your comments, insights, suggestions, about family life and living in these Observer communities.

Regarding a recent column describing the typical antics of two 5-year-old girls playing make-believe, Marcia Peterson of Plymouth writes "I was caught by the 'Let's pretend we're kids' article. I read it and laughed the whole way through thinking you could just as well be writing about my 5-year-old daughter! The constant litany of 'pretend this,' and 'pretend that' is the story of my life right now. I, too, have even been asked to pretend I'm her mom. When I remind her that I am her mom, she informs me that I'm supposed to pretend that I'm a mom cat to her, the baby kitty, or a mom wolf, or mom whale, or mom of whatever species she is currently assuming for herself."

A column that related my daughter's struggle to give up her beloved stuffed animal — a little worn-out gruffie named Jolie — generated a lot of interest. After we read the classic children's tale *The Velveteen Rabbit*, she mustered the courage to give Jolie to Santa so that he could become real.

Jan Sockolosky of Plymouth says she enjoyed the "Jolie" column and found it ironic that her church group was reading a book called *The Velveteen Woman* at the same time. Written by Brenda Waggoner, a therapist in Texas, the full name of the book is *Becoming Real Through God's Transforming Love* (Charot Victor Publishing). Sockolosky recommends it to everyone.

"It's a Christian book but it's not real 'heavy,'" she says. "It does parallel the children's *Velveteen Rabbit* book and it's easy to read."

The "Jolie" column also struck a chord with Rebecca Minch of Canton, who shared some affectionate tidbits about her son Cameron.

"The story reminded me of how Cameron has gone through about three Dobies, one Zip, and one Bizzard Beanie Babe because he likes to rub the tag between his fingers and hold it up to his nose," she writes. "Go figure. He too was a finger sucker, only it was his ring and middle fingers on his left hand. Leave it to Cameron to be different!"

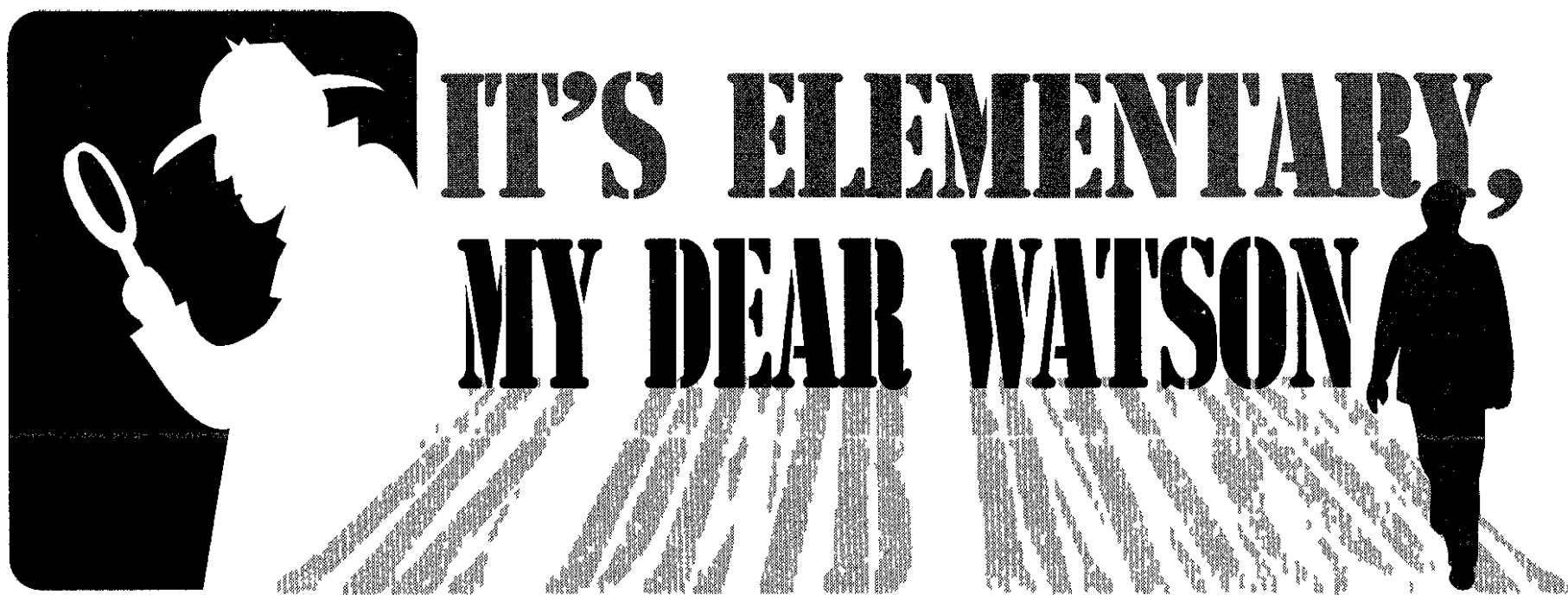
"I've started keeping a list of 'Cameronisms.' Like the time he said the pilgrims came over on the 'cauliflower.' Then, there was the time he learned a new song at school during the holidays last year. He kept singing 'Monica, Monica, eight days and seven nights.' It finally dawned on me to ask, 'Do you mean Hanukkah?' And then there was the time I asked him if he remembered what color his eyes were. He said 'Yeah, weasel!' Translation: hazel."

Art Linkletter was absolutely right. Kids really do say the darndest things. Here are a few more from my 5-year-old daughter. Upon asking her where Ken (the doll) was, she answered "Maybe he's stuck in a trash jam." Translation: traffic jam. During a walk through the neighborhood on a nice day "Mom, look at all those marshmallows on the grass!" Translation: mushrooms. Frosted flakes cereal is still referred to as "frosted flags," just as snowflakes are occasionally still called "snowflags."

And here's one that never ceases to make me smile. Once, upon noticing that her father's hairline is, indeed, receding, she remarked "Daddy needs some hair seeds."

Ah yes, if only it were that simple. Got some darndest kid sayings or stories you'd like to share? Please send them along. I'd love to hear from you.

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IT'S ELEMENTARY, MY DEAR WATSON



Welcome home: Ned Timmons (second from right) and L S S agents celebrate the quick rescue of U S Army Sgt Christopher Stone (center) at his homecoming parade in Capac, Mich., May 10, 1999. Stone, along with two other soldiers who were part of a NATO task force, was taken prisoner in Kosovo near the Macedonian border several days earlier.

Private investigators travel far and near

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

An average day for local private investigators ranges from sitting in front of someone's house watching nothing for 24 hours to being on a heart-pounding, edge-of-danger assignment that includes international espionage.

Images vary from the gumshoe with his feet up on a desk, smoking a cigar in a dreary office, to high tech spies. Add a touch of *Magnum P.I.* and *Rockford* and the picture is complete. The truth is most private investigators lead very different lives from one another depending on the type of work they accept.

Ned Timmons, who founded L S S Consulting, Inc. in Walled Lake, walks on a wider side than most private investigators. He deals with

Making plans: Ned Timmons (center), former FBI agent and founder of L L S Consulting, consults with MST3 Kevin Carroll (left) and Lt John P Roos of the U S Coast Guard about safeguarding the Ambassador Bridge as part of the Homeland Security River Watch program. The Bristol Bay, an ice-breaking ship, is in the background.

cases that inspire books complete with infrared imaging and other high technology gadgets. Currently he is working with Lt. Commander Brian P. Hall of the U S Coast Guard's Detroit Marine Safety Office in the ongoing protection of the Detroit riverfront and the Ambassador Bridge. Such efforts are part of the Homeland Security River Watch.

Some investigations take this former FBI agent to the remotest areas of the world trying to find the truth behind wrongful deaths. Other days he is delving into workplace violence or corporate embezzlement, including a current case involving more than \$750 million.

L S S employees include former FBI, Secret Service, U S Customs and U S, Marshals agents.

"We try to provide a corporate type

of FBI. All of our people are hand picked and we have counterparts all over the world with whom we net work who are the best that I know after spending more than 30 years in investigative fields," he said.

If there's a problem, all it takes is one call to L S S.

"We have an emergency response team responding to crisis all over the world — whatever you've got," Timmons said.

Caseload varies

Personal safety was one of the reasons Timmons decided to start his own business. "You can only stay bullet-proof for so long," he said. Knowledge and experience help lower the odds of getting hurt.

"I think when you've been around enough crisis you have a feeling for when things are reaching a danger point," Timmons said. "I think you have a feeling on how to handle it. In any of our high-intensity cases we incorporate with the law enforcement agencies and handle it as not to put the client or people at risk."

Caseload at L S S includes drug trafficking, overseeing executives from Fortune 500 companies during international travel, protecting stars like Barbra Streisand and Victoria Secret models, and providing crowd control at major events, like the International Freedom Festival, Thunder Fest and the Dream Cruise.

Kidnappings around the world also are investigated.

Right now Venezuela is high risk. There were six kidnappings over the weekend that were reported, and a lot go unreported, he said. "We've probably handled more workplace violence, like attempts to drop nerve gas on factories, all over the United States than anyone," he added.

He considers himself lucky to have been assigned to high profile drug cases, like the Noriega drug trafficking saga in South America, while working as an FBI agent. As owner of L S S he continues to work with worldwide law enforcement agencies. "Lots of times attorneys have high profile drug cases and they don't want to talk to the FBI, yet and they get us involved," he said. "We have clients who have an interest in not letting terrorists into the United States and these clients call us to say how these people are getting in and where they are. I have fugitives still call me who are out of the country."

Other assignments, like handling background checks, are less exciting, Timmons said. Yet, he sees those cases as having major implications for companies.

"One of the key avenues to success in cleansing your business is to have a background program that eliminates serious criminals or repeat

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Center helps grieving families find new life, hope

BY BRAD KADRICH
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When Sandy Prebenda's world came crashing down around her two years ago, there were times she wasn't sure how she'd cope.

Her husband, David, lost his two-year battle with cancer in March 2000. At 35, he left behind a young family — Sandy, 3-year-old daughter Morgan and 19-month-old son Ryan — with a lifetime to live and suddenly no husband or father with whom to live it.

"I was challenged in ways I never dreamed about," Sandy remembers now. "What really makes it overwhelming is you have two grieving children."

With her life crumbling and her children wondering what was happening, Prebenda, a Plymouth resident, looked for a shoulder to cry on — and found about 800 of them at the New Hope Center for Grief Support in Northville.

New Hope, founded in January 2000 by executive director Cathy Clough, is a Christian based outreach center designed to help those grieving after the death of loved ones. Unlike other support centers which focus on a variety of problems, New Hope is dedicated

to helping people emotionally through the loss of a loved one.

"We recognize there are all kinds of losses," said Clough, who conducted meetings in her Plymouth home for the first five months or so. "We focus on loss by death. It's quite different from other kinds of loss, not necessarily worse, just different. We want to focus on those differences."

It's a subject near and dear to Clough's heart. She lost her first husband 18 years ago and, two years later, began working closely with the terminally ill at a local hospice, developing the organization's first bereavement program.

Fifteen years of experience have taught Clough a thing or two about suffering and how to ease it. She makes sure to point out she's not a doctor, not a licensed therapist. She's just someone who knows something about loss and wants to help — straight through to the end.

"We realize you don't get through your grief in six to eight weeks," Clough said. "We try to get people through the whole period."

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Bonding time: Lisa Milewski of Livonia enjoyed a recent trip to Plymouth Orchards with her daughter, Haley, as part of New Hope Center for Grief Support's healing tools.

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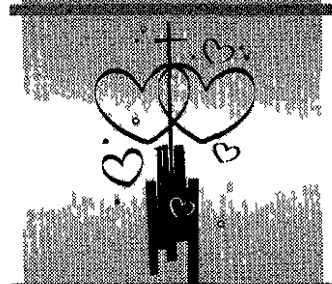
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Love One Another

In the Bible, chapter 13 of St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians is sometimes called the "Love Chapter." It says in part that, "love is very patient and kind, and never jealous or envious, never boastful or proud, never haughty or selfish or rude. Love does not demand its own way. It is not irritable or touchy. It does not hold grudges and will hardly even notice when others do it wrong." St Paul also tells us that if we do not have love, we are worth nothing at all. We often hear this reading at weddings because it is good advice for the bride and groom as well as the attending guests. It seems that we can never read or hear these words without thinking about some aspect of our lives that we can improve. Perfect love is something that everyone should strive for, and the Bible tells us that we should love God and our neighbor. "God is Love," and when we are striving for perfect love, we are nurturing a relationship with our Heavenly Father.

Dear Friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God.
 Good News Bible - 1 John 4:7



Investigate from page C5

felons,' Timmons said "If you have them in there they tend to repeat"

Somebody has to do it

While Timmons' work history is in law enforcement, Paul Harris, chief investigator of field operations at Shadow Investigation, Inc in Livonia, had 13 years in the military before becoming a private investigator. Most of his work involves fraudulent work man's compensation cases.

His day often begins early in the morning waiting for the person he's investigating to leave home. He hopes to catch him or her going to work or doing physical activity that disproves a disability. About 20 percent of Harris' workload is looking into domestic cases.

"We follow around a possible cheating husband or a wife and about 90 percent of the time we catch them," he said. "If the person thinks their husband or wife is cheating on them, most likely they're correct. We let our clients base their opinions from the video tapes afterwards. You have to have patience. We basically handle anything that comes across our way."

Harris said he avoids confrontations at all costs, but that doesn't mean the people he's investigating feel the same way.

"We've had people bust out our vehicle windows and try to steal the car tires while we were in there," he added.

Roger Kehrner, owner of Pathfinder in Plymouth since 1994, was a Special Agent for the Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Agency before he started his own business. The average rate for private investigators is about \$40 an hour, plus mileage, he said.

Most of Kehrner's clients are insurance companies wanting him to check claims, attorneys needing background information that involves interviewing neighbors, locating witnesses and serving subpoenas, and private citizens asking for a wide range of services, like investigating a spouse suspected of having an affair. Some of his most satisfying cases involved identifying bars that had pirated closed-circuit boxing fights.

A few times a year Kehrner provides a service called checkmate which involves doing an investigation on someone who is

interested in getting involved with a man or woman, but wants to know about the person's lifestyle first.

"It's not the most exciting work," Kehrner said. "It's not Magnum, P.I. Most of it is kind of stuck-to-it-iveness, boring work waiting for something to happen. Ninety percent of the time, what you're waiting to have happen doesn't occur. Sometimes it's just better to be plain lucky."

As far as danger goes, Kehrner relies on his instincts. "I'd like to think I'm street wise enough to recognize danger and not place myself in a position that I would get hurt," he said. "It hasn't happened yet, knock wood."

Richard Cray, owner of Cray Investigative Agency in Farmington Hills, handles a lot of fire investigations and corporate embezzlements. Fire investigations involve getting calls all hours of the day and night, and his satisfaction comes from giving victims peace of mind about the cause.

"I really don't have an average day, or a normal day," Cray said. "It drives my wife crazy."

Some of his most exciting moments have been proving that people were stealing from their employers.

Cray said he believes the average person has a glorified image of what a private investigator does that's filled with cloak-and-dagger intrigue. The truth is, much of his work is mundane. "They envision someone peering in windows. That's not the case," he said. "Most of the investigators I know conduct themselves very professionally and abide by all the laws of the state and if they don't the Michigan State Police will take their licenses, and once it's gone you don't get it back. Private investigators are professional people and they try to do the best they can for the client."

Many people have a skewed idea of private investigators, because they think television shows where someone gets a case and solves it in 60 minutes is portraying the real thing, Kehrner said.

"You can't force activity, he added. You can wait for something to happen and it's eight or 10 hours later."

Madonna University conducts Lenten retreat

Madonna University will hold a Lenten Retreat from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, March 2. This year's theme will be "From Ashes to Glory: Our Lenten Journey with Jesus to the New Jerusalem."

The day-long event for alumni, friends and students and their families will be held in the Residence Hall and Chapel on the Livonia campus, located at 14221 Levan.

Activities include

- Morning prayer, exposition of the blessed sacrament and benediction

- Three conferences: Prayer Guidance to Jerusalem, Fasting Power to Reach Jerusalem, and Almsgiving: Bringing Others to Jerusalem

- Time for individual confessions, stations of the cross led by students, and the rosary. The day will conclude with mass.

Fr. Alex Kratz, O.F.M., a Franciscan priest and associate pastor

of St. Michael Catholic Church in Southfield will lead the day's activities. He holds a bachelor of theology degree from the University of Notre Dame and a master of divinity degree with a concentration in Bible from the Catholic Theological Union.

After a visit to Palestine in 1997 to study biblical archaeology, he returned to the West Bank in August 2001 to study Arabic and serve at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Bir Zeit. He

currently is the Detroit Child Sponsorship coordinator for the Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation.

The cost of the retreat, which is open to the public, is \$15 and includes lunch and refreshments. Students, faculty and staff pay \$10. For reservations or additional information, contact Madonna University's Campus Ministry Office at (734) 432-5419 or by e-mail at frxavier@madonna.edu.

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They do it largely by getting people together who have suffered similar losses. There's the grief support workshop, an eight-week program designed to help people learn how to deal with their own grief. The center offers groups specifically for widows and widowers, designed to help them learn there really is life after the death of a loved one.

A peer-support group helps parents who have lost a child deal with this very specific grief, and there's a support group for grieving children and teens from ages 4 to 19, who have a particularly tough time dealing with the loss of a parent.

There are lots of things to do with children, such as a roller skating party, pumpkin carving at Halloween or a road trip to the Plymouth ice festival. Adults

get in on the action as well, with dinner parties, trips to restaurants and, sometimes, simply hanging out.

"Things really never get back to what normal used to be," said Clough. "We try to help people find a new normal."

That's what Prebenda is trying to do. She works at New Hope and is one of the 400 or so participants in support groups.

"When you're early in your grief, you're still so much in shock you don't even want to get out of bed," Prebenda said. "It's so overwhelming, it's so invasive when you're in that early grieving."

"There's nothing like sitting in a circle, talking about your grief, and you realize you have found people just like you."

The center's programs have also been a God-send for Preben-



Group support: Field trips like this one to a local pizza place are among the tools the New Hope Center for Grief Support uses to help young people who have lost a loved one.

Comedy night raises funds for New Hope Center

The New Hope Center for Grief Support turns to Plymouth for help in its latest fund-raising effort.

The center, located in Northville, hosts a night of comedy with comic Dan Wilson at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 17 at the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth.

The evening will include an auction, hors d'oeuvres and a chance to mingle. Local restaurants — including Jack Dunleavy's, E.G. Nicks, 336 Main and the Lower Town Grill — have agreed to provide the food.

New Hope officials want to raise \$5,000. "Obviously, if we can raise more, that would be better," said executive director Cathy Clough.

All proceeds will be used to provide free grief support services. Anyone wishing to help out with donations, or who wants more information, can call the center, (248) 348-0115.

da's young children, now 5 and 8.

"It's been tremendous for Morgan and Ryan to see other children their age who don't have a mom or dad," Prebenda said. "Children want to fit in. When they go to the support group, it's OK. They fit in."

There's no charge for New Hope's services. Many of the groups are peer-led, while others feature a trained facilitator arranged by Clough. Last year, about 400 people used the services, another 50 children took part.

New Hope is funded by indi-

vidual donations, sponsorships and fund-raising events. Frequently, local churches also contract with New Hope to provide grief support.

All that helps Clough and the others at New Hope do what they do best — help people through the painful loss of a loved one. It's why they focus so totally on death, to help survivors find a new life.

"You reach a place (in your grief) where you have to make that decision to go on," Clough said. "We want to do a really good job doing what we do. If you broaden it, you can't."

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MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER
Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers weekend experiences designed to help married couples improve communication and learn the value of intimacy, April 5-7 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth. Registration fee is \$50 (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524.

RELIGION CLASSES
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MARRIAGE SEMINAR
Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy, Canton Township, sponsors the Love & Respect Conference with Dr. Emerson and Sarah Eggerichs. They'll talk about the communication code in relationships at this two-day seminar, held from 7-9:45 p.m., Friday, March 1 and from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, March 2. Cost is \$20 per student, \$30 per single adult, \$60 per couple. (734) 455-0022.

RETREAT
Madonna University holds a Lenten retreat from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, March 2, in the residence hall chapel on campus, located at 14221 Levan, Livonia. Activities will include prayer, confessions, individual confessions, stations of the cross, the rosary and mass. Cost is \$15, which includes lunch and refreshments. Students, faculty and staff pay \$10. (734) 432-

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RETREAT FOR THE DIVORCED
A spiritual weekend retreat for men and women who are divorced or separated will be held March 22-24 at St. John Center in Plymouth. Presenters include the Rev. Ed Farrell and Bishop Keven Britt. Cost is \$100-\$115 and includes lodging and five meals. Register by March 15. (313) 886-7413 or (734) 453-0222.

holds Lenten services at 7:30 p.m., Wednesdays through March 20, at the church, 25350 Six Mile in Redford Township. The series, called Prayers of Passion, includes portrayal of people in the passion story. (313) 534-7730.

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The Plymouth Ministerial Association sponsors prayer and soup lunches every Wednesday through March 20. Prayer is scheduled for noon, followed by lunch at 12:30 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 701 Church, Plymouth. (734) 453-6464.

ON-GOING

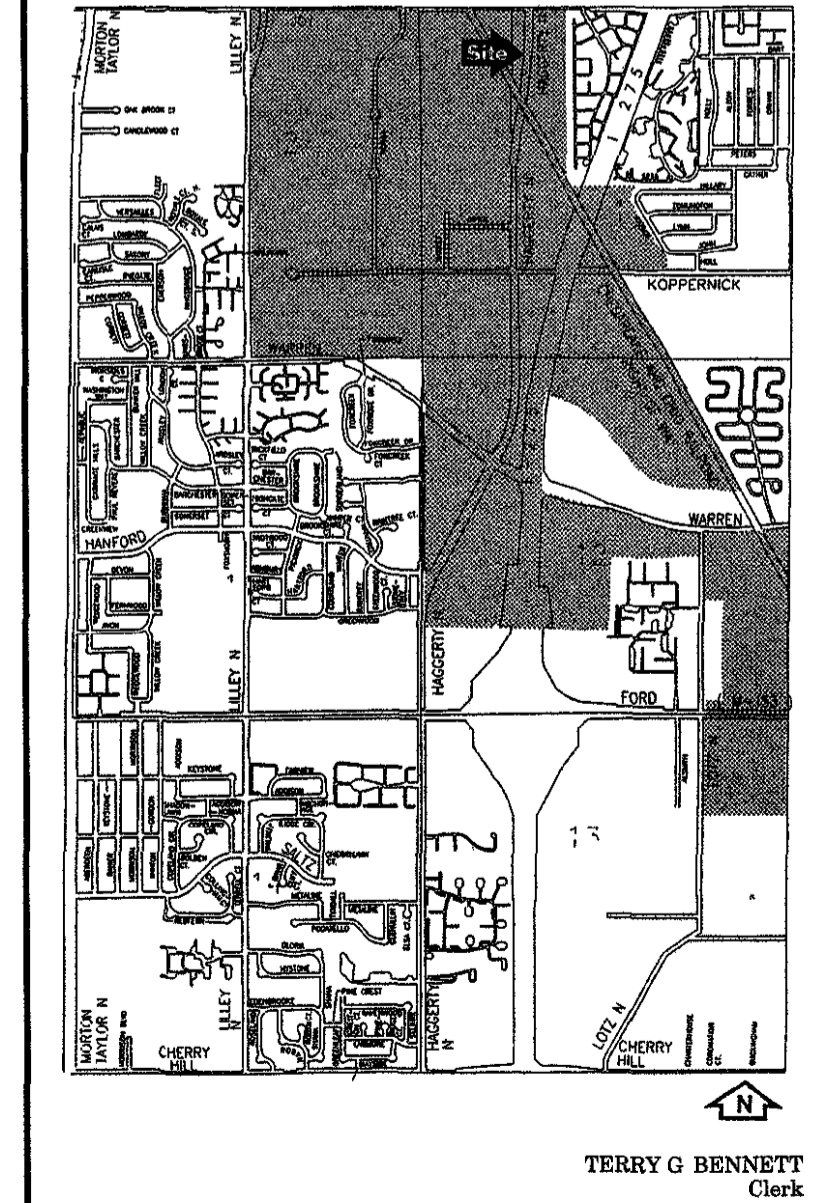
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St. James Presbyterian Church

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:
David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 397-5435
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 14th, 2002 for the following:
SPRING 2002 TREE PLANTING PROGRAM
Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.
TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID
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RENTAL OF TENTS, TABLES, AND CHAIRS
Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.
TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 12, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Charter Township Administration Building 1150 S. Canton Center Road, as a part of its regular meeting.
The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request by Precision Gate/Dearborn, LLC to transfer the existing Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #96 263 for real and personal property located at 8680 N Haggerty Road, Canton, Michigan from WCS Acquisition Corp/Westland Control Systems, Inc the legal description of which is as follows:
Part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 1, Town 2 south, Range 8 East, Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan, more particularly described as beginning at a point distant South 89 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East 1689 95 feet along the North line of said Section 1 and South 00 degrees 56 minutes 29 seconds West 400 05 feet and along a curve to the right, radius of 5789 58 feet, central angle 00 degrees 59 minutes 21 seconds an arc distance of 99 95 feet chord bearing South 01 degrees 26 minutes 10 seconds West 99 95 feet from the Northwest corner of Section 1, Town 1 South, Range 8 East, and proceeding thence South 89 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds East 311 43 feet, thence South 00 degrees 32 minutes 16 seconds West 540 00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 08 minutes 30 seconds West 349 86 feet, thence along the Easterly right-of-way line of rerouted Haggerty Road along a curve to the left radius 5789 58 feet, a central angle of 05 degrees 21 minutes 27 seconds an arc distance of 541 35 feet chord bearing North 04 degrees 36 minutes 37 seconds East 541 15 feet to the point of beginning 4 05 acres.



TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk
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Livonia couple shares their vision of Poland

Ed and Jane Wojtan of Livonia will share their vision of Poland, 2 4 p.m. Sunday, March 3, at Marygrove College in Detroit. The couple will present a slide show and talk about their trips to Poland in the Madame Cadillac Building, 8425 W McNichols Road, Detroit. For more information, directions to Marygrove and reservations, call (313) 927-1445 or visit mdumfon@marygrove.edu. Their adventures abroad began in 1981 on a trip to England. Since then they have visited Germany, Austria, Italy, Lithuania, Turkey, Ireland, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Poland. The first of their nine trips to Poland was in 1989, and they have hosted tours to Poland since 1993. Their interest in photography has yielded a large collection of photos and slides from their trips.

SHURGARD OF PLYMOUTH
Notice is hereby given that the entire contents of the following storage units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of open bid on MARCH 8, 2002, at approximately 9:00 a.m. at Shurgard Storage Centers located at 41889 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.
UNIT 329 ALEARDI Fishtank, bench grinder, air compressor, golf clubs, boxes
UNIT 371 GRAY 2 Tool kits, boxes
UNIT 211 HASKINS Dodge Truck stereo, boxes
UNIT 226 MADISON Chair, bed, boxes
Publish February 21 and 28 2002 B1065760

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID
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PORTABLE TOILETS RENTAL
Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.
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PHEASANT RUN GOLF COURSE CART STORAGE PAVING
Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton will accept qualifications at the following address: Charter Township of Canton, Michael V. Rorabacher, Fire Chief, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan 48188 by 1:00 p.m., April 1, 2002 for the following:
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY FIRE STATION FACILITY PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES
Specifications are available for pick up between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at Charter Township of Canton, Michael V. Rorabacher, Fire Chief, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan 48188, telephone number (734) 394-5454. All qualifications must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the request name, company name, address and telephone number. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.
TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk
Publish February 28 and March 3 2002 L 06670

CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE
A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, March 7, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Conference Room of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI, to consider the following items:
Z 02 02 827 W Ann Arbor Tr Interpretation of an Allowed Use and Use of Drive Up Window
Zoned B 2, Central Business Applicant Tr Mount Development
In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:
Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth MI 48170, (734) 453-1234, Ext 206
All interested persons are invited to attend.
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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for a TV Studio, Presentation Room, and Video Distribution System for the new Plymouth High School in Canton, Michigan. Specifications and Bid Packets are available by contacting Dwayne Henderson of Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc at (248) 477-8211 Ext 122 or at the mandatory pre proposal meeting which will be held on Monday, March 11, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the E J McClelland Educational Center, located at 454 South Harvey Plymouth, MI. Sealed proposals are due on or before 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 27, 2002. Interviews will be conducted during the morning of Thursday, March 28, 2002.
The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all proposals as they judge in the best interest of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools.
Board of Education
Plymouth Canton Community Schools
DARWIN WATTS, Secretary
Publish February 28 and March 7 2002 L109094

CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 02-02
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78, THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ZONING ORDINANCE IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF MODIFYING DENSITY FORMULAS FOR MULTI-FAMILY ZONING DISTRICTS (RM-1 AND RM-2)
Section 1. The City of Plymouth ordains:
Section 78 "Zoning" in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth is hereby amended by adding the following described text revisions:
Section 2. Modify Section 78 331 (add 4 story/48 ft height limitation - RM 2)

Schedule of Regulations

Zoning District	Minimum Size Lot Per Dwelling Unit	Maximum Height of Structures	Minimum Yard Setback (Per Lot in Feet)			Minimum in floor area per unit (sq ft)	Maximum % lot area covered by all buildings			
			Front	Sides	Rear					
B-1 One-Family Residential	7,200	60	2	25(b)	25(b)	6(a)	12	35	950	35
RT-1 Two-Family Residential	3,500	30	2	25(b)	25	10(a)	20	35	760	30
RM-1 Multi-Family Residential (c,r)		2	25(b)	(d,e)	(d,e)	(d,e)				
RM-2 Multi-Family Residential (c,r)		4	48	(d,e)	(d,e,f)	(d,c,l)				
O-1 Office		2	30	20(g)	(h)	(h)	(j)	(j)		
O-2 Office	15,000	75	3	45	50(g)	(h)	(h)	(j)	(j)	
B-1 Local Business		2	25	10(g)	(h)	(h)	10(k)	(m)		
B-2 Central Business	(s)		3	40(aa)	(b)	(b)	(m,p)	(m,p)		
B-3 General Business	(s)		2 1/2	30(aa)	(b)	(b)	30(q)	(m)		
B-3A General Business		2	25	15	(b)	(b)	10(r)	(m)		
ABC Ann Arbor Road Corridor		2	30	10(a)	(v,w,x)	20(w)				
ABC Ann Arbor Road Corridor (78-709(a) (b))			35	50	20(y)	40	20			
T-1 Light Industry			45	(g,k)	(l,q)	(l,q)	(l,q)			
T-2 Heavy Industry			80	(g,k)	(l,q)	(l,q)	(l,q)			

Section 3. Modify Footnotes to Schedule of Regulations
(a) The side yard abutting upon a street shall not be less than eight feet for R-1 districts or 12 feet for RT-1 districts when there is a common rear yard. In case of a rear yard abutting a side yard of an adjacent lot, the side abutting a street shall not be less than the required front yard of that district.
(b) The height of any main building or accessory buildings may exceed the maximum permitted height by one foot for each additional one foot by which the width of each yard exceeds the minimum yard requirement with a maximum height not to exceed five feet above the maximum height permitted.
(c) The total number of rooms in a multiple dwelling structure of two stories or less shall not be more than the area of the parcel, in square feet, divided by 1,000-1,300. The total number of rooms in a multiple dwelling of over two stories but not exceeding four stories shall not be more than the area of the parcel, in square feet, divided by 700-900. Not more than ten percent of the units on any given parcel may be of an efficiency apartment type. For the purpose of computing rooms, the following shall control:

Section 4. Rights and Duties.
Rights and Duties which have matured, penalties which have incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance.

Section 5. Validity.
Should any section, clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or part thereof, other than the part declared invalid.

Section 6. Ordinances Repealed.
All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

Section 7. Effective Date.
This ordinance shall become effective one day after publication.
Introduced January 22, 2002
Enacted February 19, 2002
Published February 28, 2002
Effective March 1, 2002

WILLIAM S. GRAHAM, Mayor LINDA LANGMESSER, Clerk
Publish February 28 2002 L1086414

SPORTS

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Thursday, February 28, 2002

OBSERVER SPORTS SCENE

National champs

The under-8 Canton Eagles proved to be the best around at last weekend's U.S. National Indoor Soccer Tournament in Columbus, Ohio.

The Eagles defeated the Carlisle (Mass.) Nitehawks 2-1 in the championship game. Earlier in the tournament, the Nitehawks had beaten the Eagles, 2-0.

The Canton team, believed to be the first soccer squad from Canton to win a national title, also beat the Avon Lake (Ohio) Blast 7-5 and the Dublin (Ohio) Warriors 2-1.

Team members are Marcus Collins, Bobby Budlong, Alexander Bir, Justin Newton, Austin Heinze, Rene Mejia, John DeLeon, Max Iafraite, Brandon Hope, Andrew Fulan, Andrew Zhong, Ian Smith, Jacob Alexander, Tyler Schultz and Kyle Herndon. The team is coached by Dave Collins and Tim Alexander.

All-Conference

Janell Twietmeyer, a junior at Alma College from Canton, was named to the all-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association women's basketball second team, making her an all-conference selection for three consecutive years.

Twietmeyer, a first-team pick last year and a second-team choice as a freshman, averaged 11.7 points a game, 11th best in the MIAA. She was fourth in free-throw shooting (70-of-85, 82.9 percent) and tied for second in three-pointers made (49). She finished the season third in three-point shooting (49-of-114, 43.0 percent).

Twietmeyer tied a school record for three-pointers made in a game with seven, a record she also tied last year.

Alma finished 4-10 in the MIAA, 11-15 overall.

Scholar-athlete

The Michigan High School Athletic Association has selected its nine honorees for the Scholar Athlete Award program for the 2002 winter sports season. Sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance, each of the winners will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship, presented during halftime of the Class C boys basketball final March 23 at Michigan State's Breslin Center in East Lansing.

A pair of Observerland boys basketball players, Farmington Harrison's Matt Elsey and Plymouth Salem's Ryan Williams, were among the seven finalists in their sport.

Students applying for the Scholar-Athlete Award must carry at least a 3.5 grade-point average (on a 4.0 scale) and have previously won a varsity letter in a sport in which the MHSAA sponsors a post-season tournament. Other requirements for applicants are showing an active participation in other school and community activities and producing an essay on the importance of sportsmanship in educational athletics.

Gymnastic standouts

Some local gymnasts were instrumental in the fourth-place finish of the Sports Club of Novi at the Paige Smith Winterfest Classic Jan. 26-27 in Denver.

Among those competing for the Sports Club at Level 8 were Alyssa Kelley, 12-years-old, from Plymouth and Jessica Oddi, 14, from Farmington Hills. Kelley, in the Junior Division, placed fifth in the vault (9.250) and had a 35.475 all-around score, Oddi, in the Senior Division, was sixth in the balance beam (9.075) and had a 35.125 all-around total.

In the Level 7 Senior Division, Marissa Karsz, 13, of Farmington finished eighth on beam (8.8) and posted an all-around score of 34.750.

Baseball tryouts

The WaCo Wolves USA 16-and-under travel baseball team will have tryouts at Eastern Michigan University's Bowen Fieldhouse on Sundays. The Wolves compete in the Little Caesars Amateur Baseball Federation.

For tryout times, call (734) 620-1050.

Anyone interested in submitting items to Sports Scene or Sports Roundup may send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or may FAX them to (734) 591-7279.

BY C.J. RISAK
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Talk about parity. The Western Lakes Activities Association basketball race was an ideal model of it this season. How else can one explain a conference with two six-team divisions that have five teams share one division title and three have a portion of the other?

If equality defines the WLAA in 2002, then the tournament championship game between Westland John Glenn and regular-season champ Plymouth Salem provided the perfect summary.

Just when it seemed the Rocks would take control, the pivotal force in the game — for both sides — surged once again. Defense. And Glenn had the best of it, forcing Salem into a 0-for-6 finish over the final 5:20 as the Rockets collected the conference tournament crown with a 50-43 victory at Northville HS.

Salem heads into state district play with a 13-7 mark. Glenn is 14-6.

"We pride ourselves on defense," said Glenn coach Joel Lloyd. "We gave up only 43 points to a good ballclub."

"If we play good defense and block out, we've got a good chance."

So how big a factor was each team's defense? The biggest lead either side had was the final score, and that came on a Darnell Wilson layup at the buzzer.

The Rockets' defensive objectives were evident from the start. Stop David Hoskins. The 6-foot-4 Salem junior tried to work inside early, but when a pass did reach him, three defenders collapsed on him. Hoskins still managed to score 16 points, 10 of those in the second quarter after going scoreless in the first.

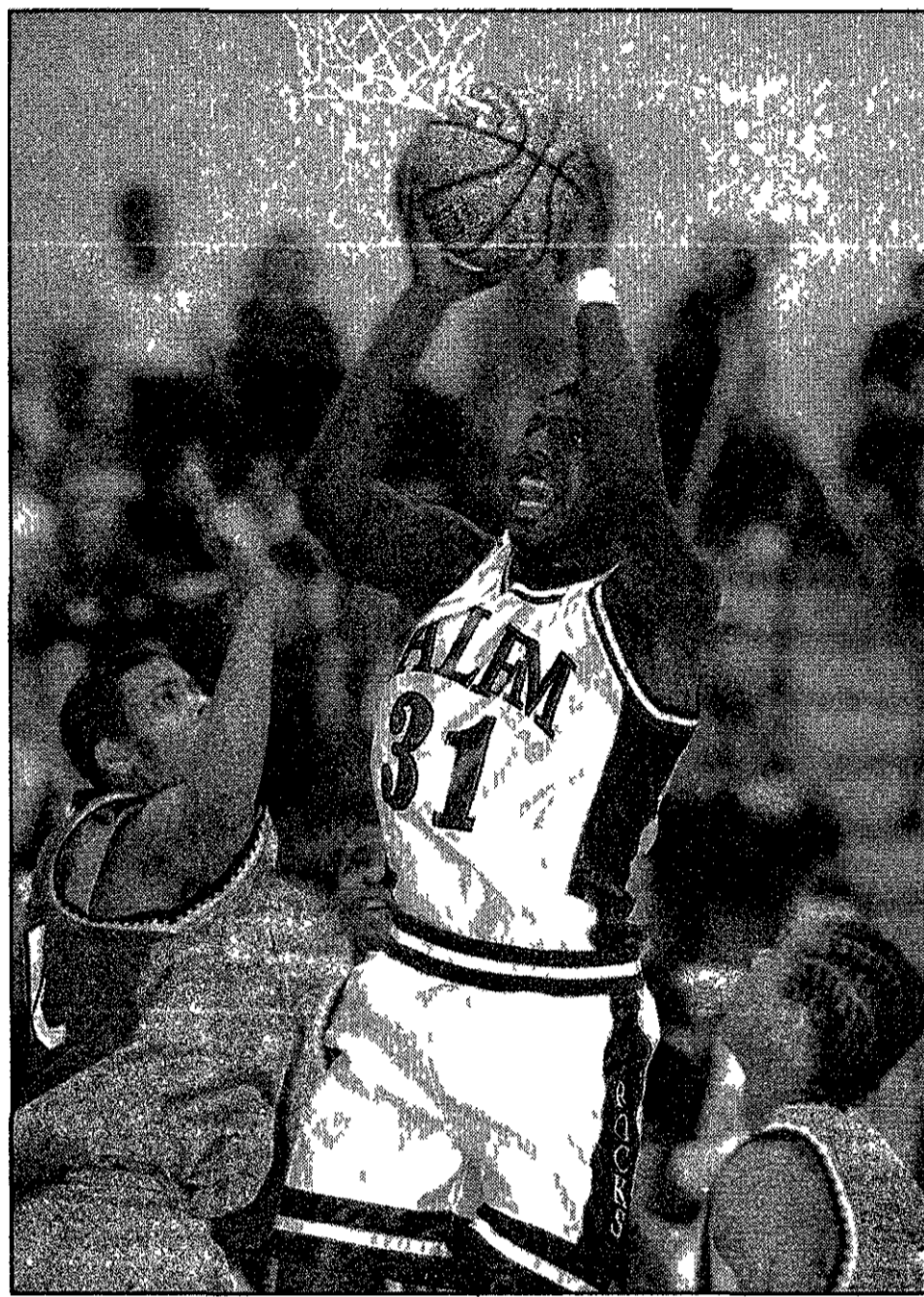
"The bulk of their points are from (Pat) Abraham and Hoskins," said Lloyd. "(Hoskins) is so good on put-backs. You can't shut him down, but if we contain him our chances are better."

If one player could be credited as the decisive element, it would be Glenn's Jerret Smith. The 6-2 freshman scored a game-high 17 points, and his last four came when it counted most.

A 6-2 Rocket run had given them a

Shot down

Rockets blast Salem to win WLAA tournament



STAFF PHOTO BY TOM HAWLEY

No room to roam: Glenn defenders Darnell Smith (left) and Jeff Brantley close in on Salem's David Hoskins, but can't stop him from scoring in Wednesday's WLAA title game.

42-38 lead entering the fourth quarter. But the Rocks answered, scoring five straight — the last of those on a Hoskins slam that put Salem ahead 43-42 with 5:21 left.

The Rocks' defense continued to harass Glenn, but they couldn't take advantage on the offensive end. A Smith basket with 3:53 to go put the Rockets back on top, but they made

only one of their first seven shots in the fourth Salem, however, would not score again after Hoskins' dunk — at one point watching two point-blank shots roll out.

Another Smith hoop put Glenn up 46-43. Three-point misses by Hoskins and Abraham, followed by two free throws by the Rockets' De'Anthony Granberry, sealed the outcome.

Abraham added 14 points for Salem. Wilson had 12 and Jeff Brantley 11 for Glenn.

"A couple of shots go down (late in the game) and we're all right," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We didn't finish as well as we should have."

"Our other game against them was as close as this (a 51-48 Salem win). I think Glenn played harder than they did the first time, but so did we. That's tenacious defense they played."

Limit a team to 18-of-50 shooting (36 percent) from the floor — which is what the Rockets did to Salem — and your chances are pretty good. Glenn made 23 of its 46 shots (50 percent).

Those last eight points down the stretch, though, counted the most.

Harrison 53, Stevenson 51: A mirror-image.

Or, as Farmington Harrison coach Dave Turnquist described it: "It's like we practice against them every day."

That's how his Hawks handled Livonia Stevenson Wednesday in the WLAA consolation game at Northville HS, building a seven-point lead in the fourth quarter and then holding on for a two-point win.

Harrison finishes its regular season at 11-9. Stevenson is 12-8.

"We match up well with them," said Turnquist. "We play similar styles: straight man-to-man (defense) and a lot of motion (offense)."

Harrison focused its defensive attention on the Spartans' Matt Bartnick and Landon Ivezaj, and it worked. Bartnick scored 12 points, seven in the fourth, and Ivezaj had three. Nicholas Ehlerich led Stevenson with 14.

Harrison got 12 points from Joe McElroy and 11 from Matt Elsey.

The Hawks led 33-25 at the half, but Stevenson halved that deficit by the end of three to 38-34.

BY BRAD EMONS
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Livonia Churchill's glee from winning Saturday's Western Lakes Activities Association girls volleyball tournament turned painfully sour on Tuesday when it was discovered the Chargers had used two ineligible players called up from the junior varsity squad.

Third-seeded Churchill had put on an impressive display in the finals at Walled Lake Central, reeling off the match's first 18 points en route to a convincing 15-0, 15-7 triumph over Plymouth Salem, the top seed.

But Churchill will have to forfeit five of its six WLAA playoff wins and its championship trophy to runner-up Salem after coach Mike Hughes self-reported himself when he discovered the rules violation.

He met with both his athletic director, Marc Hage, and principal, Rod Hosman, on Tuesday to report the infraction.

WLAA VOLLEYBALL

Michigan High School Athletic Association rules place a limit on 18 regular-season dates. Hughes discovered that late-season JV call-ups Jackie Gatt, who played in the final, and Stephanie Gorte, who appeared earlier in the day, had already used their allotment.

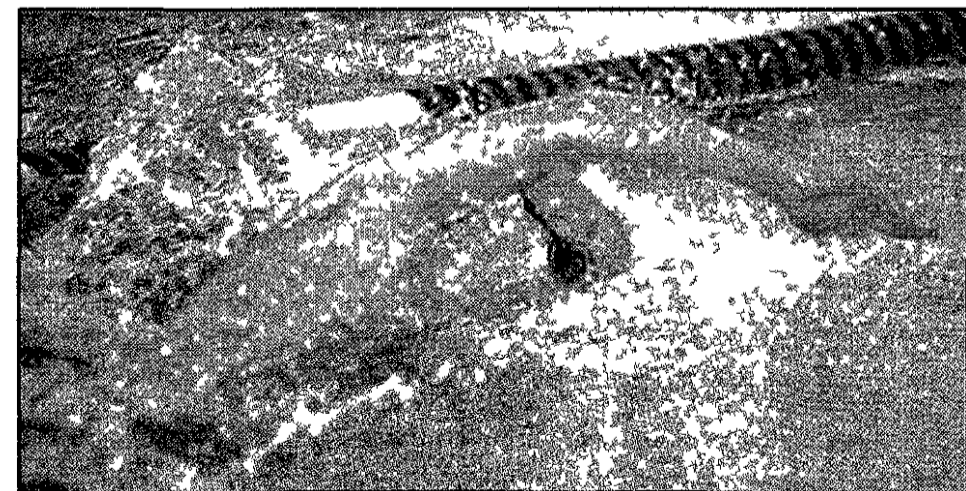
"Our varsity players were playing in their 18th (date), but our two JV kids were playing in their 19th," Hughes explained. "I was not cognizant of the situation. I just didn't think. It was not a question of being ignorant. I should have known, it was my mistake. It hit me like a ton of bricks when I realized it. There's no excuse."

Hughes, in his 27th year as Churchill varsity coach, just surpassed the 700 win mark this season.

Please see SALEM, D5

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT Feb. 23 at Walled Lake Central	
Championship final: Livonia Churchill defeated Plymouth Salem, 15-0, 15-7.	
Semifinals: Churchill def. Farmington, 15-5, 15-7; Salem def. Plymouth Central, 15-9.	
First round elimination: Churchill def. Walled Lake Central, 6-16, 15-9, 15-12; Canton def. North Farmington, 15-12, 15-10.	
POOL PLAY RECORDS (top 2 teams advance)	
(A): 1. Salem, 6-0 (games); 2. Canton, 4-2; 3. Northville, 2-4; Livonia Franklin, 0-6.	
(B): 1. Farmington, 6-0; 2. N. Farmington, 4-2; 3. (tie) Westland John Glenn and Walled Lake Western, 2-5 each.	
(C): 1. Churchill, 6-0; 2. W.L. Central, 3-3; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 2-4; 4. Farmington Hills Harrison, 1-5.	
Note: Churchill forfeits five of six wins, including championship, for using two ineligible players.	

Salem, Canton dominate championship



STAFF PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Dominant: At the WLAA Finals, Salem's Nick Dixon (right) finished first in the 200-yard individual medley and second in the 500 freestyle, while Canton's Ryan Ahern (above) was third in the 200 free and seventh in the 500 free.



BY C.J. RISAK
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Well, they had Plymouth Salem worried for a while, anyway.

Those Plymouth Canton Chiefs came out ready, willing, but not quite able to break Salem's stranglehold on the Western Lakes Activities Association's swim championship. With seven of the meet's 12 events over with, Canton was still clinging to the top position.

But by that time, coach Ed Weber had just about used up all of his top talents. And if there was one element separating the two cross-campus rivals, it wasn't quality of talent, but depth.

The Rocks simply had more state meet-type swimmers than the Chiefs. Which is why they gained their 10th consecutive WLAA championship (and 16th in the league's 20 years), rolling up 603 points to runner-up Canton's 517 Saturday at Salem.

Placing a distant third was North Farmington with 338, followed by Northville (266), Livonia Churchill (239), Walled Lake Central (230), Harrison/Farmington (228), Livonia Stevenson (191), Walled Lake Western (133), Westland John Glenn (107) and Livonia Franklin (98). See statistical summary.

Salem coach Chuck Olson didn't seem overly concerned that, with diving (the fifth of 12 events) completed, his team was trailing Canton by 17 points. "There's a long way to go yet," Olson said. "But (Canton's) swimming really well. They changed some things up and it worked for them."

After Thursday's preliminaries, Weber knew that — barring some sort of catastrophe — the Chiefs' lead wouldn't be enough down the stretch. "If we're within 50 points of them, that'd be great," he said prior to the 100-yard butterfly.

Canton did keep it close, with Yuhei Uno managing a second-place finish behind Salem's Ben Dzalio in the 100 fly (the sixth event), then getting a first from Matt Wisniewski, his second individual title of the meet, and a third from Joe Le in the 100 freestyle, with Salem's Mike Johnson sandwiched in between in second.

But after that, the Rocks began to pull away. Dzalio's second victory in a span of three events, in the 500 free, was bolstered by Nick Dixon's second indeed, Salem had five of the top 12 finishers in the 500, Canton had one.

The Chiefs did capture the 200 free relay, their second relay win. But Salem was second.

Please see CHAMPIONSHIP, D4

New rival for Whalers in OHL revision

BY C.J. RISAK
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There's a shake up ahead in the Ontario Hockey League

The reason The sale and subsequent move of the current North Bay Centennials to Saginaw by next season

The relocation gives the OHL three teams that are situated in the U.S., the Plymouth Whalers and the Erie (Pa) Otters being the others It also gives the Whalers a new foe just a couple hours up I 75

"It'll be a rivalry for us on the ice," said Whalers coach/general manager Mike Vellucci "Having a close rival, it'll be a good situation for us"

That rival will now be in the Whalers' West Division The Centennials currently are in the Central Division, their move next season to the West Division will cause a couple other teams to relocate

The Brampton Battalion shifts from

the Midwest Division to the Central Division, replacing North Bay To make room in the West Division for the new franchise, the London Knights go from the West Division to the Midwest, filling the spot previously held down by Brampton

"I think it was a good choice by the commissioner," said Vellucci, referring to OHL commissioner David Branch

The Centennials' demise was due to low attendance and the lack of a new — and better — lease for a place to play with the city The team's only income was generated by ticket sales, some of which was surrendered to the city, according to Vellucci, parking and concession revenues belonged to the city

"Other cities will hopefully take notice," said Vellucci

This is the second league realignment in four years In 1998-99, the OHL switched from a three-division format to four when it added new teams in Mississauga and Brampton

OHL HOCKEY

Whalers back on track

A three game losing streak — that'll get any team's attention

The Whalers, who had lost just eight times in the season's first half, suffered through just that last week So what did coach/GM Mike Vellucci do?

"I sent 'em home for four days," was his answer

It worked Last weekend, the Whalers swept past the Owen Sound Attack, 3-0, on Friday and the Ottawa 67s, 6-1, on Saturday Both OHL games were played at Plymouth's Compuware Arena

"We had been 32-8," noted Vellucci "We hadn't been outplayed at all We just went into a lapse there, a slump Now, hopefully, we've got that straightened out"

As Vellucci noted, the slide "wasn't

from a lack of effort We just weren't getting any timely bounces

"We needed to tighten up our defense But the thing is, those teams were all fighting for playoff spots They had more to fight for than us"

After their break last week, the rejuvenated Whalers played like they had something to fight for The marquis matchup of the week in the OHL was Saturday's Whalers-vs-67s game, pitting last year's two adversaries in the OHL Finals

It didn't turn out like much of a contest, however Stephen Weiss (from Damian Surma and George Nistas) and Kris Vernarsky (from Weiss and Labor Ustrnul) gave Plymouth a 2-0 lead after one period, after Miguel Delisle pulled the 67s to within one with a power-play goal early in the second period, Surma struck back for the Whalers, scoring twice in a span of 1:08 (assists from Cole Jarrett, Chad LaRose, Weiss and James Wisniewski)

Third-period scores from Greg Campbell (from Brad Yeo) and John Mitchell (from Jarrett and Karl Stewart) solidified the Whaler win Jason Bacashihua stopped 23 shots in goal for Plymouth, J F Perras and John Ceci divided time in goal for Ottawa

On Friday, the Whalers scored three times in the first period, getting goals from Campbell (from Surma and Nistas), Mitchell (from Jonas Fiedler and Stewart) and Nistas (from Campbell and Surma), and that was enough to subdue Owen Sound

That's because Bacashihua was in goal, making 31 saves to earn the shutout Derek Dolson had 25 stops for the Attack

The victories pushed Plymouth's record to 36-12-8-2 (82 points), still best in the OHL Ottawa, first in the East Division, was 31-18-10-1 (73 points) through the weekend, and Owen Sound was 22-25-9-3 (56 points), fourth in the Midwest

Salem subdues Howell in state regional opener, 5-1

The 20th win of the season was a big one for Plymouth Salem's hockey team Should the Rocks get their 21st, it'll be even

The Rocks won their state regional opener Tuesday, defeating Howell 5-1 at Trenton's

Kennedy Ice Arena to improve to 20-1-3 Howell bows out at 16-5-3

The win means Salem plays

HOCKEY

perennial state powerhouse Trenton, a 5-2 winner over Brighton Tuesday, in tonight's regional semifinal Game time is 8 p.m. at Kennedy Arena, the winner meets the Ann Arbor Huron-Dearborn winner in the regional final at 2 p.m. Saturday at Kennedy

Salem got on the board first against Howell with a first-period goal from Bryan Young The Highlanders knotted it early in the second period when Eric McKenzie scored, but the tie didn't last long

Just 1:12 later, Mike Barr scored the first of his two goals, giving the Rocks a 2-1 lead going into the third period Barr's goal 2:19 into the final stanza made it 3-1, Mark Nagel and Kevin

Wilson also scored in the final period to clinch the victory

Wilson also had two assists in the game, with Nagel and Young each getting one Scott Stukel was solid in goal for the Rocks, making 26 saves Joe Rayburn made 27 stops for Howell

On Monday, Plymouth Canton's season came to a close with a 5-3 loss to Huron in the opening round of the state regionals

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CC too much for Stevenson

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
SPECIAL WRITER

Redford Catholic Central is looking for another state hockey championship

CC began its drive for a fourth consecutive title Monday night with a 4-1 victory over Livonia Churchill in the second game of a Regional 4 doubleheader at Redford Ice Arena

In the first game, Livonia Stevenson scored four unanswered third-period goals to break open a tight contest and earn a 6-1 victory over Walled Lake Western

CC which defeated the Spartans earlier this month on the

same ice, plays Stevenson at 5:30 tonight The finals are at 7 p.m. Saturday

"We try to go into every single game as if we didn't know the other team," coach Gordie St John of CC (16-5-3) said "As soon as you think you know them, you run into something

a hot goaltender or a string of goals or something

"I think our kids understand that's what you've got to do"

The Shamrocks broke out to a 2-0 lead on the Chargers, completely dominating the first period

Sophomore Jeff Prough scored 5:06 into the game converting a nifty sliding goalmouth pass

from junior Bryan Genrich John Perkovich also assisted on the play

Junior Wilham Burns made it 2-0 with 5:21 left in the period, snapping a backhander off junior Chargers' goalkeeper Jake Archer's right shoulder and into the net

Archer played perhaps the game of his life in allowing just three CC goals (the fourth was an empty netter by Ryan O'Dea with 42 seconds to play)

He was sensational — shot after shot

The Shamrocks had multiple breakaways or one on Archer sit-

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Rocks, Chief qualify for state final

BY C.J. RISAK
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When the state's Individual Wrestling Finals take place March 9 at the Palace of Auburn Hills, both Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton will be represented.

True, both teams' coaches had hoped for something more. Salem's Greg Wochuk had felt all seven of his regional qualifiers had a good chance to advance, but only four managed it. Canton will have one of five qualifiers make it to state.

Still, it was a good showing for those wrestlers involved. Salem's Tony Kennard emerged as a regional champion in the 145-pound weight division, improving his overall match record to 44-4.

Kennard had an up-and-down type ride through his bracket, posting a major decision over Belleville's Charles Watson, 11-3, then edging Redford Catholic Central's Trevor Stewart 6-4 in

WRESTLING

overtime before subduing Dearborn's Robert Sulaver 11-6 to win the title.

Phil Rothwell was Canton's lone qualifier, finishing second at 215 after suffering his first match loss of the season in the regional final to Sam Bond of Monroe by a 13-5 score.

"Phil has become a versatile and talented wrestler," said Canton coach John Demisick. "(We're) not concerned by the loss Phil had in the finals. He was chasing the other wrestler the whole match."

"This will be good motivation for Phil to work hard over the next week and a half in preparation for the state meet. We feel Phil has a real chance at being the first Canton wrestler to take a first place at the state meet."

Rothwell, 43-1 for the season, advanced to the final with a 9-2 win over Lincoln Park's Neal

DeGolyer and a pin of Salem's Zack Jensen in 2:48. Jensen, who defeated Ann Arbor Huron's Austin Thompson 4-3 in the opening round, dropped into the consolation bracket and qualified for state with an 8-7 win over Jackson's Dave Winters. Jensen (31-14) placed fourth, losing to Redford Catholic Central's Blair Naysmith 3-2 in the consolation final.

Also placing second was Salem's Mike Goethe at 125. Goethe (43-3) beat a pair of Temperance Bedford wrestlers to reach the final, Nick Weiss by a 13-3 count and Chad Ditty by a 9-3 margin. In the final, Novi's Josh Churella (unbeaten in 42 matches) topped Goethe 9-2.

The Rocks' fourth qualifier was Adam Schaefer at 152. Schaefer (31-18) opened with a 10-4 win over Brett Streby of Pinckney, then lost to Wayne Memorial's Bryan Marsh, 10-2. In the consolation bracket, Schaefer beat Westland John Glenn's Brad Gregory 9-4 before

losing in the consolation final to Dearborn Edsel Ford's Eric Zimmnicki 10-5.

Among the Chiefs' other qualifiers, Shaheen Rajae at 189 lost his first match to Adam Justice of Woodhaven on a technical fall in 5:55, then beat Belleville's Chris Watson 5-2 in the consolation round. However, in his battle to get to the final four, Rajae lost to Jackson's Tim Clore 11-3.

Doy Demisick, wrestling at 130 despite having suffered a separated rib in January, was pinned by Woodhaven's Jay Nidiffer in 5:6 in his first match, but in the consolation round he beat Temperance Bedford's Kevin Zink 6-1. His season ended there, however, with a loss by fall to Belleville's James Erickson.

Neither of Canton's other two regional qualifiers, Rob Schnetler at 112 nor Chris Hosey at 140, were able to win a match.

The same held true for Salem's other three qualifiers, Craig Blair at 160, Pete Bobee at 119 and Nate Dillard at 135.

REGIONAL WRESTLING RESULTS

DIVISION I INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS
Feb 23 at South Lyon

103 pounds Denny Brighton (Temperance Bedford) decisioned Craig Hearn (Novi) 14-7. **3rd place** Nick Naber (Westland John Glenn) won by major decision over Dan McAuliffe (Livonia Stevenson) 9-1.

112 Wes Hartman (Dearborn Edsel Ford) pinned Dano Monnette (Bedford) 3:29. **3rd** Ravi Saran (Northville) decisioned Mitch Graves (Monroe) 7-0.

119 Corey Nowitzke (Monroe) won by injury default over Chris Anderson (Romulus). **3rd** Wissam Majed (Dearborn Fordson) pinned David Brighton (Bedford) 3-11.

125 Josh Churella (Novi) decisioned Mike Goethe (Plymouth Salem) 9-2. **3rd** Chad Ditty (Bedford) won by major decision over Brian Clement (Livonia Churchill) 11-1.

130 Carson Poupard (Monroe) decisioned J.R. Muldoon (Novi) 12-5. **3rd** Jay Nidiffer (Brownstown Woodhaven) decisioned James Erickson (Belleville) 12-10 (overtime).

135 Ahmad Joumaa (Fordson) pinned Marty Evrinn (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 4:48. **3rd** Jake Williamson (S. Lyon) decisioned Roger Chapman (Romulus) 7-4.

140 Nate Sturgis (Belleville) pinned Rodriguez (Redford Catholic Central) 3-54. **3rd** Tom Haskell (Pinckney) decisioned David Edwards (S. Lyon) 9-2.

145 Tony Kennard (Salem) decisioned Robert Sulaver (Dearborn) 11-6. **3rd** Nick Druyor (Romulus) won by injury default over Trevor Stewart (Redford Catholic Central).

152 Brian Zink (Bedford) pinned Bryan Marsh (Wayne) 5-23. **3rd** Eric Zimmnicki (Edsel Ford) decisioned Adam Schaefer (Salem) 10-5.

160 Brian Jones (Churchill) decisioned Hassen Bern (Dearborn) 8-6. **3rd** Aaron Yockey (Bedford) won by major decision over Troy Maxwell (Monroe) 22-6.

171 Chris Cracchiolo (Redford CC) decisioned Vince Stovan (Novi) 3-1. **3rd** Jay Abshire (Churchill) decisioned David Ulich (Lincoln Park) 7-4.

189 Clint Salisbury (Bedford) decisioned Ryan Rogowski (Redford CC) 6-3. **3rd** Adam Jus Zach Jensen (Woodhaven) decisioned Tim Clore (Jackson) 7-5.

215 Sam Bond (Monroe) won by major decision over Phil Rothwell (Plymouth Canton) 13-5. **3rd** Blaine Naysmith (Redford CC) decisioned Zach Jensen (Salem) 3-2.

275 Caleb Hatfield (Belleville) pinned Kyle Schuyler (Sallie) 0-27. **3rd** Rick Niemann (Bedford) pinned Tony Martinez (Livonia Franklin) 2-53.

STATE FINALS QUALIFIERS

FIRST ROUND OPPONENTS DIVISION I (March 7-9 at Palace)

Churchill Brian Clement Jr. (125) 39-8 vs Craig Zube Sr. Howell 42-12. Brian Jones Sr. (160) 36-7 vs John Calat Sr. Fraser 39-17. Jay Abshire Sr. (171) 16-1 vs Elijah Jackson Holland 38-5.

Franklin Tony Martinez Sr. (275) 32-6 vs Spencer Nadolsky Sr. Holland West Ottawa 40-2.

Stevenson Dan McAuliffe Sr. (103) 37-14 vs David Feeley Sr. Howell 44-7.

Wayne Bryan Marsh Sr. (152) 38-2 vs Mike Bitterman Sr. Utca Eisenhower Sr. 38-6.

John Glenn Nick Naber Jr. (103) 37-5 vs Roy Setsuda Jr. Walled Lake Central 35-6.

Redford CC Nate Rodriguez Jr. (140) 43-5 vs Keith Victory Sr. Roseville 40-10. Trevor Stewart Fr. (145) 44-2 vs Joe Zolnai Holt 20-7. Chris Cracchiolo Sr. (171) 40-7 vs Tom Dickson Charlotte 43-3. Ryan Rogowski Sr. (189) 29-2 vs Charleston Hughes Sr. Saginaw 29-7. Blaine Naysmith Sr. (215) 36-10 vs Shane Begoske Sr. Hartland 46-5.

DIVISION III

Livonia Clarenceville Nader Al Mooshi Jr. (119) 35-15 vs Paul Lyon Sr. Shepherd 48-3.

DIVISION IV

Lutheran Westland Dan Haller Sr. (160) 36-10 vs Jon Lindsey Jr. Bronson 42-10.

PCA shocks Lenawee; Canton collapses

It's been a roller-coaster type of season for Plymouth Christian Academy, which can be hard on anyone involved with the team — except when it's rising.

Like on Tuesday. Going against state-ranked Lenawee Christian, the Eagles — saddled with an 8-9 record entering the game — might have been big underdogs, but they didn't play like it, outscoring the Cougars 19-7 over the last eight minutes to pull off a 60-52 upset victory at PCA.

"We just played the game of our lives," said Eagles' coach Doug Taylor. "That's one of the best teams on our schedule."

"They came out in a match up zone, but we were patient, we took our time, and we shot the ball really well."

PCA led 32-28 at the half, but a 17-9 third-quarter run by Lenawee turned that around going into the final quarter. However, the Eagles made the key plays when they had to, in particular Clay Welton, who scored nine of his game-high 19 points in the fourth period.

Welton also had 10 rebounds and three assists. Ben Baloga was on target from long range, draining four three-pointers in scoring 17 points, and Aaron Ciborowski had six points, seven rebounds and four steals.

PCA also got some big games from players off the bench, notably Ben Pew with six points and six boards. "That was his best game of the year. He's a big reason we won," said Taylor.

Also, the Eagles' coach thought the strong play of sophomore point guard Dan Carty, filling in for the injured James Bauslaugh, was instrumental. "He played a fantastic game," he said.

The Cougars, now 16-4, were paced by Mike Folkert with 18 points and Scott Glaser with 15.

PCA concludes its regular season with home games tonight against Immaculate Conception and Friday against Ann Arbor

BASKETBALL

Green Hills

W.L. Western 79, Canton 73: Plymouth Canton coach Jeremy Rheault was exasperated.

For the third-straight time, his Chiefs had lost a close game, each time failing to hold a lead it had in the final two minutes. On Tuesday in a Western Lakes Activities Association consolation bracket game at Walled Lake Western, turnovers were costly. Rheault estimated Canton had 28 of them.

"This is the third game in a row we let go," he said. "We can't let any more games go. We can have no more of these give-aways."

"We've got to take control of the game, take over the game when we have the opportunity."

Canton (10-10 for the season) had that in the final quarter against the Warriors, who improved to 12-8. The Chiefs led 18-17 after one quarter, trailed 47-42 at the half, and were behind 64-59 entering the fourth.

"It was a fast-paced game," said Rheault. "We played at their speed."

It didn't help, particularly down the stretch. Canton had five players score nine or more points, led by Jason Priebe with 16 (including five three-pointers). Andrew Meagrow netted 15, Brandon Murphy scored 12 and Steve Thornton netted 11. Billy Gazsi totaled nine.

Chris Eagle and David Zeitlan scorched Canton for 25 points apiece.

Agape 59, Baptist Park 55: Canton Agape Christian built an eight-point cushion by halftime and managed to turn back Taylor Baptist Park's comeback attempts Tuesday at Garden City United Christian.

The Wolverines improved to 15-4 with the win. Baptist Park is 4-15.

Agape led 16-10 after one quarter and 33-25 at the half. The Wildcats narrowed that deficit to 44-39 after three periods, but could not overtake the Wolverines.

Josh Anthony led Agape with

14 points. Jordan Napier added 12 points and seven rebounds, and Charlie Henry and Jeremiah Belton scored nine points each.

Ron Nelson led Baptist Park with 20 points. Shawn Smith had 17

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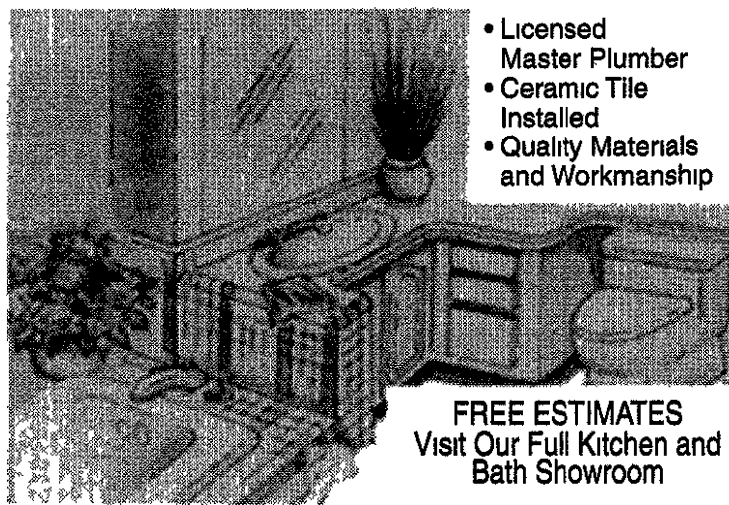
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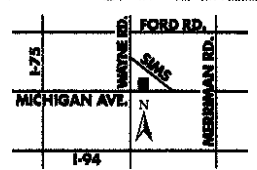


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It's over: Spring Arbor upsets Madonna, 81-76

One step at a time Easy to recite, not always easy to do Last Saturday, Madonna University's women's basketball team — the top seed in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference — might have done just that Couple that with a Spring Arbor team that was determined not to lose, and one has a deadly combination

At least for Madonna University it was The Lady Crusaders started their WHAC semifinal,

played at Madonna, shooting poorly while the Cougars were on fire The result was a 45-34 halftime deficit, something Madonna could never overcome in the second half in losing 81-76

The Crusaders conclude their best season in school history with a 21-9 record and as WHAC regular-season champs Spring Arbor took a 16-13 record into Tuesday's WHAC title game at Cornerstone

After converting just 9-of-32 first-half floor shots (28.1 percent), compared to Spring Arbor's 20-of-34 (58.8 percent), Madonna managed to close the gap (which reached 15 points midway through the second half) to three twice in the last 94 seconds

Each time, however, the Cougars' Portia Reilly had an answer After Nikki Blaszk's layup with 1:34 left made it 76-73, Reilly knocked down a three-

WOMEN'S HOOP

pointer 19 seconds later to make it a six-point game

With 48 remaining, Blaszk — who led all scorers with 26 points — hit 1-of-2 free throws, with Hayley Myers rebounding the miss and scoring to narrow the gap to 79-76 with 41 to go

They never got any closer, however Reilly's two free throws in the closing seconds sealed

Madonna's fate

Reilly finished with 21 points as Spring Arbor hit 35-of-61 shots (57.4 percent), she also had four assists Shanna DuBose added 17 points, Michelle Robson had 14 and Megan Vore scored 12

Joining Blaszk (who also had a team-high eight rebounds, six of them offensive) in double figures in scoring were Mahogany Fletcher with 18 points, four assists and four steals and

Kathy Panganis with 14 points However, Panganis and Fletcher combined to make just 9-of-34 floor shots (26.5 percent), the rest of the Crusaders weren't much better, converting 25-of-76 (32.9 percent)

Madonna managed to make a game of it by outrebounding Spring Arbor, 47-36, and making 19-of-25 free throws to the Cougars' 7-of-11 But it wasn't enough to overcome that poor first half

WLAA SWIM RESULTS

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Feb. 23 at Plymouth Salem

Team standings: 1 Plymouth Salem 603 points 2 Plymouth Canton 517 3 North Farmington 338 4 Northville 266 5 Livonia Churchill 239 6 Walled Lake Central 230 7 Harrison/Farmington 228 8 Livonia Stevenson 191 9 Walled Lake West 133 10 Westland John Glenn 107 11 Livonia Franklin 98

Event results

200-yard medley relay

Championship heat 1 Canton (Brad Nilson Dennis Speck Matt Wisniewski Joe Le) 1:41.54* 2 Salem 1:42.14* 3 North Farmington 1:42.94* 4 Churchill 1:45.90 5 Stevenson 1:47.41 6 W L Central 1:47.64
Consolation (7:11) 7 John Glenn 1:48.68 8 Harrison/Farmington 1:48.75 9 Northville 1:51.35 10 W L Western 1:51.61 11 Franklin 1:57.87

200-yard freestyle

Championship heat 1 Eric Lynn (PS) 1:46.19* 2 John Moors (N) 1:48.68* 3 Ryan Ahern (1:50.86) 4 Andy Grant (LC) 1:52.85 5 Joe Aumiller (PS) 1:54.94 6 Adam Sonnenstine (PS) 1:55.44

Consolation (7:12) 7 Jeff Mataya (NF) 1:54.58 8 Brendan Cummings (LS) 1:56.02 9 James Sattler (PC) 1:57.99 10 Steve Rife (PC) 1:59.56 11 Kevin Schopieray (PS) 2:00.50 12 George Shereda (LC) 2:01.26

Consolation (13:18) 13 Billy McIntosh (N) 1:58.18 14 Nick Wasmer (H/F) 2:00.10 15 Bennett Tyler (LS) 2:00.82 16 Dan Comiskey (WLC) 2:02.01 17 Garrette Stricker (LS) 2:06.10 18 Joe Hogan (N) 2:06.68

200-yard individual medley

Championship heat 1 Nick Dixon (PS) 2:05.20 2 Brad Nilson (PC) 2:06.89 3 Brad Baron (LC) 2:07.25 4 Yuhel Uno (PC) 2:07.54 5 Mohamad Bachrouche (NF) 2:07.62 6 Jason Bank (NF) 2:07.87
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50-yard freestyle

Championship heat 1 Matt Wisniewski (PC) 22.18* 2 Mike Johnson (PS) 22.25* 3 Joe Le (PC) 22.76 4 Sermet Alver (NF) 22.96 5 Charlie DeMattia (H/F) 23.55 6 Matt Vivian (PS) 23.58

Consolation (7:12) 7 Ben Maxim (N) 23.51 8 Brandon Truscott (LS) 23.69 9 Mark Benivegna (H/F) 23.94 10 Steve Helewski (WLC) 24.16 11 Dennis Speck (PC) 24.19 12 Kyle Grant (LC) 24.32

Consolation (13:18) 13 Ron Opdyke (PC) 24.04 14 Thomas Naughton (NF) 24.24 15 Reno Olvero (H/F) 24.35 16 Orien Dashi (JG) 24.40 17 Bill Clark (PS) 24.43 18 Justin Gold (JG) 25.15

Diving

1 Jason Albosta (N) 399.30 points 2 DanRais (LF) 335.35 3 Brian Chrzanowski (WLC) 314.35 4 Jeff Heidelberg (WLV) 311.90 5 Cody Stafford (LS) 295.25 6 John Campbell (N) 290.95 7 Mike Maynard (WLC) 274.20 8 Andrew Brissette (NC) 259.55 9 Mark Brissette (LS) 259.55 10 Brad Sokolowski (PS) 256.05 11 Ed Moore (LF) 248.70 12 Kevin Cafarelli (PC) 237.80 13 Steve Kiljanczyk (PC) 233.05 14 Nick Karr (LC) 230.30 15 Dan Talke (N) 228.95 16 Nic England (PS) 224.40 17 Adam Charles (WLC) 220.55 18 Corey Snyder (JG) 183.60

100-yard butterfly

Championship heat 1 Ben Dzialo (PS) 53.09* 2 Yuhel Uno (PC) 56.01 3 Brad Baron (LC) 56.07 4 Brandon Truscott (LS) 56.74 5 Justin Fenwick (WLC) 56.91 6 Justin Gold (JG) 57.37
Consolation (7:12) 7 Mike Horgan (PS)

57.74 8 Mohamad Bachrouche (NF) 58.05 9 Steve Helewski (WLV) 59.56 10 Ben Maxim (N) 59.76 11 Ben King (PC) 59.88 12 Brad Herbeck (PC) 1:00.81

Consolation (13:18) 13 Adam May (PS) 1:00.28 14 Garrett Baringhaus (LS) 1:00.39 15 Glenn Legacki (NF) 1:01.89 16 Mark Piskowski (H/F) 1:02.06 17 Sean Prientak (WLC) 1:03.31 18 Brian Mason (JG) 1:05.15

100-yard freestyle

Championship heat 1 Matt Wisniewski (PC) 48.55* 2 Mike Johnson (PS) 48.96* 3 Joe Le (PC) 49.30* 4 John Moors (N) 50.11 5 Sermet Alver (NF) 50.34 6 Mark Benivegna (H/F) 53.10

Consolation (7:12) 7 John Faraoni (PC) 52.70 8 George Shereda (LC) 53.29 9 Bill Clark (PS) 53.40 10 Matt Vivian (PS) 53.53 11 Matt Jurcak (PS) 54.07 12 Charlie DeMattia (H/F) disqualified

Consolation (13:18) 13 Jeff Ballard (JG) 54.43 14 DiGria Lucas (NF) 54.43 15 Stephen Pearce (NF) 55.65 16 Jason Savage (WLV) 55.79 17 Garrette Stricker (LS) 55.99 18 Brian Wolak (WLC) 56.64

500-yard freestyle

Championship heat 1 Ben Dzialo (PS) 4:54.26* 2 Nick Dixon (PS) 4:55.16* 3 Paul Harpaniemi (H/F) 4:58.74* 4 Andy Grant (LC) 5:03.98 5 Jeff Mataya (NF) 5:08.67 6 Joe Lunn (N) 5:12.73

Consolation (7:12) 7 Ryan Ahern (PC) 5:07.13 8 Mike Horgan (PS) 5:11.05 9 Jason Bank (NF) 5:11.55 10 Adam Sonnenstine (PS) 5:11.73 11 Joe Aumiller (PS) 5:12.01 12 Collin Hopper (H/F) 5:19.54

Consolation (13:18) 13 James Sattler (PC) 5:11.21 14 Brendan Cummings (LS) 5:17.14 15 Billy McIntosh (N) 5:19.68 16 Dan Comiskey (WLC) 5:27.17 17 Steve Rice (PC) 5:27.88 18 Same Manees (PC) 5:30.56

200-yard freestyle relay

Championship heat 1 Canton (Ryan Ahern Brad Nilson Joe Le Matt Wisniewski) 1:29.00* 2 Salem 1:29.73* 3 Northville

1:32.86 4 Churchill 1:34.37 5 Harrison/Farmington 1:34.49 6 W L Central 1:41.54

Consolation (7:10) 7 North Farmington 1:37.54 8 John Glenn 1:37.65 9 W L Western 1:41.61 10 Franklin 1:54.15

100-yard backstroke

Championship heat 1 Eric Lynn (PS) 53.23* 2 Brad Nilson (PC) 56.70* 3 Brian Clayson (NF) 56.95 4 Jeff Nevi (PS) 59.16 5 Paul Harpaniemi (H/F) 59.73 6 John Faraoni (PC) 59.94

Consolation (7:12) 7 Kyle Chamberlin (H/F) 1:00.01 8 Nick Yee (PS) 1:00.47 9 Ron Opdyke (PC) 1:00.54 10 Kevin Schopieray (PS) 1:01.67 11 Ben Mellis (PS) 1:01.67 12 Kyle Grant (LC) 1:03.28

Consolation (13:18) 13 Ken Belrose

(WLV) 1:02.57 14 Garrett Baringhaus (LS) 1:02.82 15 Thomas Naughton(NF) 1:02.95 16 Logan Bullock (LC) 1:03.33 17 Jason Savage (WLV) 1:03.41 18 Dan Lyman (WLC) 1:04.06

100-yard breaststroke

Championship heat 1 Matt Newman (NF) 1:03.74 2 Matt Showalter (PS) 1:04.48 3 Justin Fenwick (WLC) 1:04.77 4 Ryan Booms (WLC) 1:05.53 5 Casey Johnson (PS) 1:06.11 6 Dennis Speck (PC) 1:07.56

Consolation (7:12) 7 Kris Kinsvater (LS) 1:07.81 8 Jeremy Lim (LC) 1:08.10 9 Benjamin Iwrey (NF) 1:09.17 10 Shawn Bernard (PC) 1:09.72 11 Mike Yutzy (N) 1:09.73 12 Penn Chou (PS) 1:09.80

Consolation (13:18) 13 Emilio Diaz (WLV) 1:09.10 14 Stephen Sanney (LF)

1:09.29 15 Geoff Wrobel (WLC) 1:09.33 16 Steve Reasor (PC) 1:09.54 17 Kevin D Alessandro (LS) 1:11.17 18 Doug Anderson (NF) 1:12.14

400-yard freestyle relay

Championship heat 1 Salem (Nick Dixon Mike Johnson Eric Lynn Ben Dzialo) 3:20.17* 2 North Farmington 3:23.15* 3 Northville 3:24.70 4 Canton 3:26.92 5 Harrison/Farmington 3:34.75 6 Stevenson 3:36.77

Consolation (7:11) 7 W L Central 3:37.31 8 W L Western 3:40.26 9 Churchill 3:47.78 10 John Glenn 4:01.49 11 Franklin 4:03.34

* — state-qualifying time

Championship from page D1

The 100 backstroke, as much as any other event, illustrated how the WLAA championship had evolved into a two-team meet Of the top 12 finishers, Salem had five and Canton three Four of the top six were from Salem and Canton

The Rocks finished first in two of the last three events, placing second in the other Eric Lynn was another double-winner individually, getting wins in the 200 free and 100 back He was also part of their first-place 400 free relay team, together with Dixon, Dzialo and Johnson

Although confident, Salem was never too self-assured going into the meet, according to Lynn "Usually we're just too strong," the senior said of past WLAA finals "But we knew we had to watch out for Canton

"We knew what we had to do We just came out and swam our events"

Which was good enough, certainly enough to fortify Olson's

confidence "We were swimming good," he said "We had some really good swims today The whole team stepped up

"We're just a happy bunch of guys"

How dominating were Salem and Canton? In the 12 events, 10 firsts and nine seconds went to swimmers from one of the schools

"We're the strongest two teams," Olson admitted "It's just that we have more depth (than Canton)"

The Chiefs' relay victories pleased Weber "Winning two relays was our goal when we walked in today," the Canton coach said "We set it up that way We've never been close to those times before

"We had best times in nearly every event"

Olson, who piloted the Rocks to a third-place finish at last year's state meet by leading up his relays, figured Salem "had a shot to win all three We came

up short in two" — although the Rocks' medley relay went 1.5 seconds faster than their prelim time and still lost to Canton's Nilson, Dennis Speck, Wisniewski and Le

In the 200 free relay, the Chiefs' Ryan Ahern, Nilson, Le and Wisniewski were 4.26 seconds faster than their prelim time, enough to beat Salem by .73

Wisniewski's win in the 50 free was a bit of a surprise Olson had figured he'd swim the 200 free

The Rocks' Dixon, a freshman, added a first in the 200 individual medley to go with his second in the 500 free

The only wins to escape the Rocks and Chiefs were in the 100 breast, captured by North's Matt Newman, and in diving, won by Northville's Jason Albosta

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■ Registration for Summer T-ball will be April 1-19 at the Plymouth Cultural Center (525 Farmer) during office hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.). The league, for five and six year-olds, is non-competitive and designed to promote recreation and sportsmanship. The season runs from June 22-Aug. 10 (no games July 6). Practice is once a week, after work hours, as designated by the coach. Games will be on Saturdays. Cost is \$45 for city of Plymouth residents, \$65 for non-residents. A birth certificate is required for registration. Call the recreation office at (734) 455-6620.

Salem from page D1

He led the Chargers to the 1991 state Class A title.

He met with players and parents on Tuesday to explain the situation.

"I wanted them to hear it from me," Hughes said. "I explained the consequences of my action. Of course, they couldn't be pleased, but I think they understood."

On Tuesday, Hage notified MHSAA assistant director Gina Mazzolini of the violation.

"I feel real bad," Hage said. "Mike said he made a huge mistake. After talking with Gina, I told her we're going to give back the tournament trophy. It's the right thing to do and she said there won't be any further sanctions."

Salem was the prohibitive favorite going into the 12-team tourney after ripping off 11-straight wins without a loss in the WLAA, including a 15-13, 15-4 triumph over Churchill on Feb. 4.

But the Rocks had no answers in the WLAA championship match as 6-foot senior outside hitter Sheila Gillies led the way with five kills, two blocks and two ace serves.

The Chargers also received solid play from senior setter Susan Duncan, along with Heather Munn (four kills, one block), Beth Bushey, Charity Burbridge, Sarah Phillips, Gatt and Sallie Kuratko.

Duncan finished with 74 assist-to-kills and only one error in 148 attempts on the day. Gillies led a balanced offensive attack with 33 total kills, while Munn and Bushey added 17 and 16, respectively.

The Chargers had advanced to the finals with elimination-round victories over host Central (6-15, 15-9, 15-12) and Farmington (15-5, 15-7).

But following the five forfeits, Churchill's corrected overall record will be 34-11.

Salem, which now stands 42-5-2 overall, got four kills from MaryLou Liebau and two from Katie Good, but could muster little offensive production.

The team's top server, Kelly Jaskot, who had 30 kills and 13 ace serves on the day, only got through one service rotation.

For the day, Good had 44 kills and Liebau added 30, as the Rocks went undefeated in pool play. Salem then beat rival Plymouth Canton in the semifinals, 15-12, 15-9, but looked flat against the Chargers.

"Churchill played great, they played well," Salem coach Tom Teeters said. "Churchill served well and they were good in all facets. I can't think of a weakness they had in that match."

"They were on a roll and we couldn't pass or serve receive. We couldn't hit a ball above zero, especially the first game."

When Teeters learned Tuesday that Churchill would have to forfeit the trophy, he said, "I think it should be appealed to the state because his (Hughes) intention was to give JV players a chance. He was trying to do the right thing. The situation should be looked at differently."

Ironically, the two teams appear to be on another collision course. Looming is a potential second-round matchup in Friday's Class A district tourney at South Lyon.

Hockey boosters

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools Hockey Booster Club will be at 7 p.m. Monday, March 4 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Current members and anyone interested in the Salem and Canton HS hockey programs are encouraged to attend. Call Mary Maurer at (734) 254-9234.

To submit items to Sports Scene or Roundup, send them to sports editor C.J. Risak, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI, 48150.

Central from page D2

uations, yet were turned back time after time.

CC had a 36-17 edge in shots on goal, 28-12 after two periods. CC's 10-5 announced edge in the opening period prompted Archer to remark as he left the ice: "Ten shots? It felt like a lot more than that. Who's doing the counting?"

"Archer played well enough for us to win," said Churchill coach Pete Mazzoni, whose team bowed out at 13-7-4 overall. "There was one goal I'm sure

he'd like to have back, but other than that.

"That's a very strong skating team. They have more depth than we do. So fatigue was a factor on our side."

But where CC seemed to own the ice — and knew it — in the first period, Churchill seemed to adjust more to the contest's pace as time went on. The Chargers were trying to do everything too quickly early on — because the Shamrocks were faster and bigger.

The Shamrocks scored the second period's lone goal with just 1:54 left, O'Dea flicking a cross-mouth pass from Eric Reinhardt past Archer.

Churchill scored its lone goal 1:16 into the third period. John Maley broke in on left wing with Aaron Ziem to his right, took the pass and winged it past sophomore CC goalkeeper Jim Blanchard.

"I don't know if we were a little nervous at the start or not," Mazzoni said. "We adjusted to

the pace of the game and even though they outshot us at times, I thought we were somewhat aggressive.

"We weren't able to get anything off our forechecking, which is usually something we are able to do."

Summarized St. John: "It's the first game of the tournament. We were happy to get out of the rink with a win."

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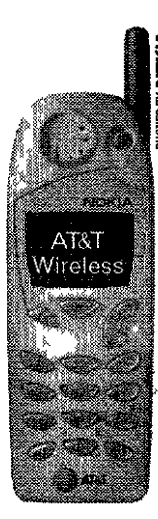
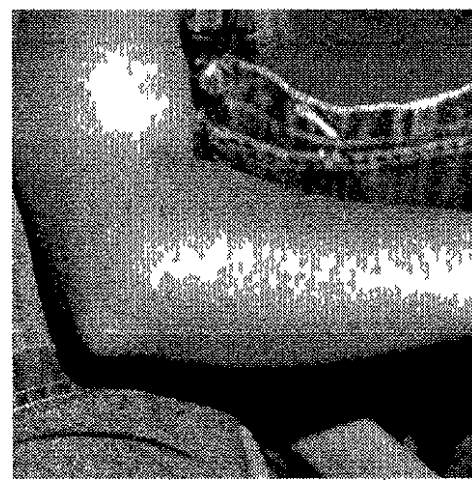
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Crusaders seek strong start to season

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
SPECIAL WRITER

It has a team, a schedule and a temporary place to play. Now all Madonna University's baseball team needs is a field to practice on and a permanent home field.

Cocher Greg Haeger starts his sixth season at the helm of the Crusaders' baseball team with plenty of hope that the two-year ball of red tape that has been wrapped around his planned new home baseball diamond will get untangled before it starts choking his program.

"We've met with the architects," Haeger said, "and the plans have been drawn up. Right now it's in the hands of the Felician Sisters, (Livonia) Ladywood and Madonna. We're fighting through the red tape."

Madonna will play its home games this season at Ford Field in Livonia, a suitable collegiate-level diamond and site of the summer Livonia Collegiate Baseball League. But the Crusaders can't practice at Ford Field and last fall were forced to use a softball diamond at Rotary Park.

"We still don't even have a field to practice on," Haeger said. "There are still a lot of questions to be answered."

"It's been difficult at times to keep the focus of the kids on playing ball. Not having a playing field and other things can't detract from what you're trying to do. That goes for the coaching staff, too."

"I know they're searching and trying. But they haven't come up with any solutions — and the season starts in just a few days."

Madonna's home field for the last few years, Madonna Park, was located at the Bentley Center in Livonia. The city would not renew the lease and the field was torn down to make room for a new community center.

Plans are to build the new diamond on property where Madonna University and Ladywood HS are sited. Construction must begin soon, however, for the field to be available for next season — and to show recruits.

The Crusaders traveled to Miami Wednesday for the spring portion of their schedule and conditioning, with the first game scheduled for Friday. Madonna doesn't begin home play until mid-April.

Haeger has 25 players on his roster. He had about that num-

ber last year, too — for about a week, a key reason his team struggled to a 19-28 record overall, 11-13 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference.

"We lost more man-years to injury last year than my previous four combined," he said. "My shortstop (Neil Wildfong, from Canton) broke his thumb. We lost four starters down south. And no one really came back."

"Then we came back from Florida and lost another player with a hamstring injury. We were forced to play players out of position, asking them to do things some of them had never done before, in the summer or in high school. So it was pretty difficult."

"It was almost like spring training again after all those injuries. It was very frustrating to everybody involved."

"Through all that, we still made it to our conference championship. That was the fifth year in a row, I think, we had at least been to the conference championship game."

The Crusaders have just four seniors this season, two position players and two pitchers, and Haeger looks to them for leadership.

Joe Pruchnik (from Lutheran Westland, 380 batting average, three home runs, 15 runs batted in) will anchor the batting order and play first base while Wildfong (Plymouth Canton) returns to stabilize the infield at shortstop. Wildfong was a key player for the Crusaders as a junior.

At second base Haeger is looking to Redford Catholic Central product Mario D'Hern (Livonia, 279, one homer, 15 RBI), a junior whom he feels is a solid defensive player.

Third base is a contest between incumbent Roy Rabe (Livonia Stevenson, 271, two homers, 20 RBI), a junior, and 6-foot-6, 245-pound junior Sterling Mintzer, a transfer from Indiana University where he played football.

"Whichever one hits best, plays," Haeger said.

The catcher will be sophomore Matt Rigley (Redford Union, 227, two homers, 13 RBI) with freshman Scott Wakefield, the brother of Wayne coach Tom Wakefield backing him up.

Redshirt freshman Brian Williams (Livonia, CC) returns to solidify the outfield from center field. Williams hit 167 in

seven games before seeing his season ended by injury.

"He played a few games, tore his hamstring and aggravated it when he tried to come back," Haeger said. "That was a monumental loss. After we lost him, we tried six, seven kids out there in center. It caused us a lot of problems."

In right the Crusaders will have Farmington junior Mark Cole (CC, 290, three homers, 14 RBI) while left field features another CC product from Livonia, junior Chris Woodruff (312, three homers, 20 RBI).

Junior Devin Cole (Garden City, 353, two homers, 21 RBI) will back up the outfielders and also see action as one of Madonna's designated hitters. Cole was 17-for-20 in stolen bases last season.

Another outfield candidate is sophomore Eric Lightle (Livonia Churchill), who missed last season with injury and still is fight-

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ing a shin problem.

"We've got a lot of very good baseball players," Haeger said. "We have 11 kids who I feel can play very well and 18 kids total who can swing the bat. The others are going to push the kids who are playing because they want playing time. It's going to be a very competitive season for the position players."

The two seniors Haeger is counting on for big seasons are lefty Eric Williamson (White Lake, 1-2 won-loss record, 6.21 earned run average) and Jeremy Stevens (Romulus, 1-3 record, 5.96 ERA).

"Both had very good years as sophomores but both struggled as juniors," Haeger said. "They pitched more than 100 innings as sophomores but last year worked about 40 each. They both have worked very hard to regain

their form of 2000. They've worked on their strength and throwing strikes."

Madonna's best pitcher again figures to be sophomore Joel Halliday (Redford Union, 4-4 record, 5.46 ERA). "He's got the best stuff of all our pitchers," Haeger said.

Farmington junior Mike Fisher (Lutheran Westland, 3.63 ERA in six games) "has developed much faster than we ever thought he was going to," Haeger said. "If he's healthy, he's going to be a key factor on the team."

"And Mike Hayes (Redford Union) and Corey Farnier (Taylor Kennedy) are going to be factors if either one can throw strikes on a consistent basis. Both throw hard and have good stuff."

Both of them sophomores, Hayes was 2-2 with a 5.40 ERA and two saves last season while Farnier was 1-3 with a 10.13 ERA.

Haeger also plans to see what

three of his position players can do on the mound. He hopes to get 30-50 innings from right-handers Devin Cole and Rabe plus southpaw Mark Cole.

If Madonna can get some stability and reliability on the mound, it could have an outstanding season. The Crusaders can definitely mash.

"A lot of people don't think we're going to be as good as we have been in years past," Haeger said. "I think we're going to surprise people. We've got 10 arms. We don't have that one great superstar, but not one is a really terrible pitcher. They've got pretty decent arms with good stuff."

"We're definitely going to score runs this year. We'll have a very potent offensive team."

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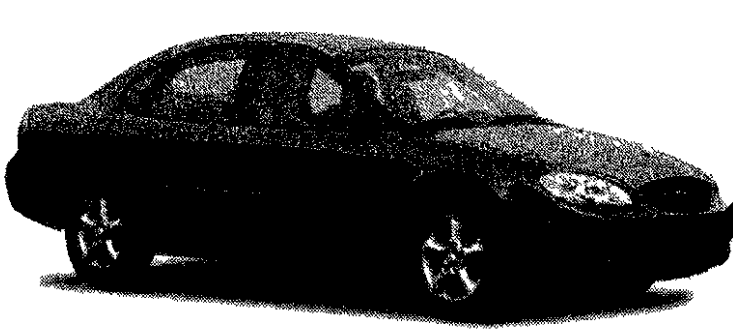
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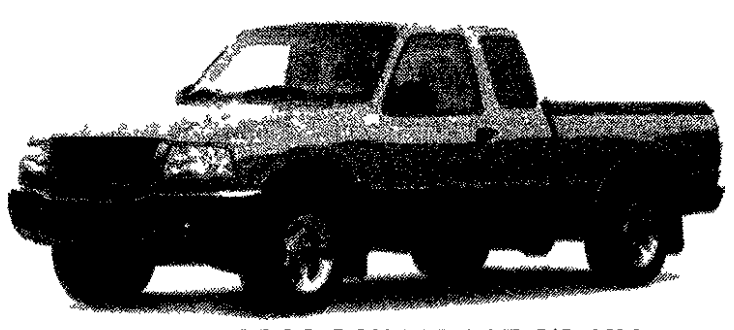
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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL

Thursday, Feb 28
Immac. Conception at PCA 7 p.m.
Friday, March 1
H.W. Notre Dame at Borgess 5 p.m.
A.A. Greenhills at PCA 7 p.m.
Thurston at Wyandotte 7 p.m.
Luth. N. West at Luth. W. Mid 7 p.m.
C. Ville at Cranbrook 7 p.m.
Southgate at Redford Union 7 p.m.
Wayne at Dearborn 7 p.m.
Annapolis at Garden City 7 p.m.

STATE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

REGIONAL PAIRINGS
DIVISION I
at REDFORD ICE ARENA
Thursday, Feb 28 Livonia Stevenson vs Redford Catholic Central 5:30 p.m. Redford Unified/Walled Lake Central winner vs Farmington Unified/Milford winner 8 p.m.
Saturday, March 2 Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarter finals Wednesday March 6 at Trenton vs Trenton regional champion.)

at TRENTON'S KENNEDY ARENA
Thursday, Feb 28 Dearborn Unified vs Ann Arbor Huron 5:30 p.m. Plymouth Salem vs Trenton 8 p.m.
Saturday, March 2 Championship final 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarter finals Wednesday March 6 at Trenton vs Redford Ice Arena regional champion.)

DIVISION II
at NOVI ICE ARENA
Friday, March 1 Championship final 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals Tuesday March 5 at the Summit in Lansing vs Okemos regional champion.)

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Feb 28
Huron Valley at Greater Life 6 p.m.
DISTRICT TOURNEY PAIRINGS
(Friday, March 1)

CLASS A
at LIVONIA STEVENSON
First round (A) Redford Union vs (B) Livonia Ladywood 5 p.m.
Semifinals A-B winner vs Livonia Stevenson 6 p.m. (Court No. 1) Livonia Franklin vs Detroit Redford 6 p.m. (Court No. 2)
Championship final 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Livonia Ladywood vs Ypsilanti Lincoln district champion.)

at SOUTH LYON
First round (A) Livonia Churchill vs (B) Northville 5 p.m.
Semifinals Plymouth Canton vs South Lyon 6:30 p.m. Plymouth Salem vs A-B winner 6:30 p.m.
Championship final 8 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Livonia Ladywood vs Ypsilanti Lincoln district champion.)

(Saturday, March 2)
CLASS A
at YPSILANTI LINCOLN
First round (A) Westland John Glenn vs (B) Romulus 10 a.m. (C) Ypsilanti Lincoln vs (D) Wayne Memorial 11:30 a.m.
Semifinals Belleville vs A-B winner 1 p.m. Garden City vs C-D winner 2:30 p.m.
Championship final 3:30 p.m. (Winner

advances to the regional semifinals at Livonia Ladywood vs Livonia Stevenson district champion.)

at NOVI
First round (A) Novi vs (B) Walled Lake Central 10 a.m.
Semifinals Farmington Hills Harrison vs (B) Walled Lake Western 11:30 a.m. North Farmington vs A-B winner 1 p.m.
Championship final 2:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Troy vs Berkley district champion.)

at BERKLEY
First round (A) Farmington vs Southfield-Lathrup 4 p.m.
Semifinals Southfield vs Farmington Hills Mercy 5 p.m. Berkley vs A-B winner 6 p.m.
Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Troy vs Bloomfield Hills Lahser district champion.)

CLASS B
at DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD
First round (A) Detroit Renaissance vs (B) Dearborn Divine Child 9:30 a.m.
Semifinals Dearborn Heights Robichaud vs Redford Thurston 11 a.m. Dearborn Heights Annapolis vs A-B winner 11 a.m.
Championship final Noon (Winner advances to the regional semifinal at Tecumseh vs Milan district champion.)

CLASS C
at ALLEN PARK CABRINI
Semifinals Allen Park Cabrini vs Lutheran Westland 3 p.m. Livonia Clarenceville vs Southfield Christian 4:30 p.m.
Championship final 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Burton Bentley vs Burton Bentley district champion.)

CLASS D
at NOVI FRANKLIN ROAD
First round (A) Plymouth Christian Academy vs (B) Novi Franklin Road Christian 9 a.m.

Semifinals Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs Ann Arbor Rudolph Steiner 10:30 a.m. Canton Agepe Christian vs A-B winner noon.
Championship final 1:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Livonia Ladywood vs Detroit Urban Lutheran district champion.)

at DETROIT HOLY REDEEMER
First round (A) Dearborn St. Alphonsus vs (B) Redford St. Agatha 9:30 a.m.
Semifinals Dearborn Heights World Out reach Christian vs Detroit Holy Redeemer 11 a.m. Dearborn Heights Academy for Business & Tech vs A-B winner 12:30 p.m.
Championship final 2 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals at Livonia Ladywood vs Taylor Baptist Park Christian district champion.)

BOYS SWIMMING
Saturday, March 2
Catholic League Meet TBA
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday, March 1
Whalers at Kingston 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 3
Whalers at Ottawa 2 p.m.
TBA — time to be announced

REAL ESTATE

Thursday, February 28, 2002

Flowers obscure boundary

I planted flowers along the fence bordering my neighbor's property and even built a cement slab. My neighbor now claims that the fence and slab are on her property. Do I have a claim to this property?

You may, under the doctrine of acquiescence in the boundary line or the doctrine of adverse possession

Under the doctrine of acquiescence, if both you and your neighbor have continuously treated the fence line or other improvements as marking the true property line, and if you each have used and maintained the property up to that line, you may now be the owner of the property up to that line

Under these circumstances, there need not have been a dispute as to the location of the true boundary line

On the other hand, if there was an actual dispute concerning the true boundary line, and you can establish that you had actual, hostile, visible, open, exclusive and uninterrupted use of the disputed property for more than the 15-year statutory period, you may have a claim to ownership of the property under the doctrine of adverse possession

A recent decision of the Michigan Court of Appeals, although unpublished, upheld the right to adverse possession on similar facts

You should consult with a knowledgeable real estate lawyer regarding your position, assuming that you can not settle it with your neighbor

Even if you do settle, make sure that the proper legal documentation is prepared to confirm that there are no further problems in the future should either one of you wish to sell your property

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer concentrates his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation. This column provides general information and shouldn't be construed as legal advice

HOME SEEKER'S CHECK LIST

- SELLER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(REQUIRED BY LAW)
- LEAD DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
(REQUIRED BY LAW)
- HOME SUMMARY FEATURE SHEET
(ROOM DIMENSIONS ETC)
- SCHOOL DISTRICT SERVING NEIGHBORHOOD (WHERE EXACTLY ARE BUILDINGS, BUS STOPS)
- AGE OF MAJOR MECHANICAL/STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FURNACE, WATER HEATER, SHINGLES, WINDOWS, ETC)
- APPLIANCES INCLUDED?
- PROPERTY TAXES (BASED ON SELLING PRICE, NOT CURRENT RECORDS)
- MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED (TRASH COLLECTION LEAF PICK UP, SNOW REMOVAL, LIBRARY)
- CONDITION OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES



When the going gets tough...

Here's how local real estate agents stay motivated, remain positive

BY NORMAN PRADY
SPECIAL WRITER

If you sell houses you may think of yourself as the circus performer walking the tightrope. If you don't take a carefully planned next step, you could fall.

So says 16 year sales veteran Judy Addis. She believes that getting "your time management under control" is the secret to staying out of the dark days that can come from a salesperson's periodic lapses in motivation.

Keith Becker, sales associate, Century 21 Row, Livonia, would agree that while "everything has peaks and valleys, you have to keep a positive attitude. Do not think that if things are bad, they always will be."

But to keep a positive attitude, you obviously have to have one. Or get one. How do you do that?

Addis, associate broker, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Clarkston, could do a seminar on the subject.

"In this profession, if you get into a slump, you can really spiral down," she said.

Her heading of time management means "you're spending a certain portion of your day working on current business, a certain portion working on getting new business and a certain portion keeping in touch with past clients and customers."

"First thing in the morning, check to see where your transactions are," she said. "Do you have mortgage approval? Has the title work been ordered?"

"I'm a checklist freak and an alphabetical color-code freak," Addis said. "I created a form to stay focused, a form for each transaction in the pipeline. Monday morning, I set up everything for the week."

If Addis' work form appeals to you, forget about getting it from her. She won't share it. "No, I got it from a course that cost \$3,500 and I modified it for my needs." But she urges others to develop their own.

"Be sure everything in the transac-

tion is in line - Insurance policies, change of address, all that," Addis said. "The focus on routine can get you out of the dumps. Otherwise, you're just flopping around."

"You need to get into the habit where every day you're calling at least five past customers. That's how you build business - working on referrals," she said.

But, meanwhile, government officials and economists might be telling you that current conditions aren't favorable. How do you close out the rest of the world and stay focused on your time management plan?

"I have a saying," Addis said. "I refuse to participate in a recession. I think the economy is as much a point of view as anything else. There always are people who need or want to sell and there are always people looking to buy."

"Every day you have to do something that will assure you of new business," she said. "That could be talking with past customers or even following up on any lead no matter how remote it seems."

"It could be someone who's thinking of putting a home on the market in time to come. It could be someone who called on another listing."

"Your business is about gathering information and using it," said Addis, adding that she continually builds a database in her laptop computer and urges others to build their own.

"Stop sitting there moping," Addis said. "Get yourself in motion and give yourself a pattern of behavior that will get you a positive result."

Lloyd E. Edwards probably couldn't agree more with Addis. He's an associate broker with Countryside GMAC, Troy, and during his 30 years in real estate has been a consultant, trainer and company owner.

To someone whose motivation has ebbed, he'd say, "Get back to the basics. Get back to what you did first when you came into the business."

"Understand that prospecting is the key to success," Edwards said. "Work

the warm contacts in your sphere of influence, a list of 100 people you know and who should know you're in the real estate business."

"If someone isn't motivated, it's because they don't have any business or haven't had any in a while. They must go back and get their listings out and start contacting those customers again."

"There are national association figures that 87 percent of home sellers don't list with the person who sold the house to them because they never heard from that person again," he said.

Edwards believes that some agents keep in touch for the first and possibly second year after the sale. "But the average move is seven years, so by the time the seventh year rolls around, they've lost contact."

Edwards also thinks that what might appear to be a lack of motivation actually could be that the person has chosen an inappropriate career that just isn't working.

"If they don't seem to have the right spirit, if it's that bad, I might counsel them out of the business. You hope to get to them before they reach that point."

"You have to go through the economic cycles," Edwards said. "Eventually they turn around. If mortgages are 18 percent instead of 6 percent, you just get more creative. The activities are always the same, and successful people manage their activities, not so much their production."

"Some people focus more on how much they make in dollars rather than how they got there," he said.

"It would be like a hockey player focusing on how many goals he made rather than focusing on staying in shape so he can make the shots. The more shots you can take, the better chance you have of scoring goals."

Along with positive focus and efficient time management, Edwards sees strong self-esteem value in working

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Be a savvy mortgage shopper

Many home shoppers consider a mortgage to be simply a part of their purchase. In fact, buying a home and acquiring a mortgage are two separate transactions. Ironically, most homebuyers spend most of their time on the less expensive of the two purchases - their home - without giving much thought to financing alternatives.

Typically, the cost of financing a home over 30 years is double to triple the actual price of the home. In other words, depending on the specifics of a homeowner's mortgage, a buyer may pay from \$200-\$300,000 over the loan's life to purchase a \$100,000 property.

Reduce costs

Savvy shoppers can significantly reduce overall costs by asking a mortgage professional to explain various financing options. Some may be more appropriate to their situation than a standard 30-year fixed-rate loan. Homebuyers can do this before they begin home shopping by querying dozens of banks and mortgage lenders or by talking to a mortgage broker who offers a variety of loan products from those same sources and more.

There's an old adage that says "If a man's only tool is a hammer, he tends to treat everything as a nail." If your loan originator does not have a full cache of loan products - ideally from a variety of different wholesale lenders - you may find your loan officer trying to fit you into a mortgage that suits him better than it suits you.

Getting the right type of mortgage should not be an accident. Your loan officer should be asking relevant questions about your family's financial plans. How long will you live in this home? Will your personal finances change within the next five years?

Do you plan to refinance for any reason in the next three years? Are low closing costs more important to you than low interest rates? Do you have estate planning concerns?

Service professionals like doctors and attorneys always seek to completely understand your situation before they begin working for you. Your mortgage loan officer should do the same for you.

For free e newsletters credit assessments or mortgage pre qualifications, go to www.vlender.com /p /philipshq or call (734) 797 5522 [24 hours]. Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer serving all of Michigan. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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ALPENA	99,980	1.9%

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MOVERS AND SHAKERS

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Jeff and Mary Jo Whitbey, a husband-and-wife team, were designated agents of the year at Century 21-Sakmar in Rochester for 2001 for sales and listing production. The couple, in the real estate



Mary Jo and Jeff Whitbey

1991, has achieved licensing as a registered architect. Clark acquired bachelor of science and bachelor of architecture degrees from Lawrence Technological University.

sales business together since 1996, recorded a volume of \$7.9 million. They live in Rochester Hills.



Terry B. Clark Jr.

Three new members join the board of directors of the Great Lakes Construction Alliance. John Marek, business manager of Boilermakers & Blacksmiths Local 169 represents labor, David Oz, vice president of SSOE, design professionals, and Aaron Watson,

city. He lives in West Bloomfield.

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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

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BUY HOME CLASS
Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100 in Novi, and her financial services team offer a free, no-obligation class for home sellers 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, at First Michigan Title, Six Mile at I-275, Livonia. To register, call (734) 420-9600.

PROPERTY INVESTORS
The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne County presents a program on collecting rent from tenants 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 5, at the Holiday Inn Heritage Center, 17201 Northline, east of I-75, Southgate. Fee for non-members, which can be applied to an annual membership, is \$20. A free newsletter is available. For information, call (313) 386-7228.

BUILDERS LICENSE
Oakland Builders Institute and Livonia Community Education present a 16-hour seminar on passing the state builders licensing exam 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, March 5-14, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia. The comprehensive class includes math and blueprint reading.

Cost, which includes textbook and sample questions, is \$221. To register, call (734) 523-9277.

BUY HOME CLASS II
Carol Parks of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Northville, and Ken Turkington of Pioneer Mortgage co-sponsor a class for home buyers 9:30-11:30 p.m. Saturday, March 9, at Pioneer Mortgage, 42400 Nine Mile, Novi. To register, call (248) 347-3050 Ext. 239.

BUY HOME CLASS III
Juhette Bauman, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Livonia, and Mark Bowers, of Colonial Mortgage, sponsor a free class for home buyers 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, at the Livonia Civic Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road. To register, call (734) 779-9977.

ARCHITECTURE LECTURE
Lawrence Technological University hosts a free lecture by James Biber, a designer, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 21, at the college's architecture and design auditorium, 21000 W 10 Mile, Southfield. For information, call Michelle Juras, at (248) 204-2880.

GARDE NOMINATIONS
The Great Lakes Construction Alliance will accept nominations until Friday, March 22, for its seventh annual Gender and Race Diversification Excellence Award. The purpose is to promote racial and gender diversity along with superior professional performance.

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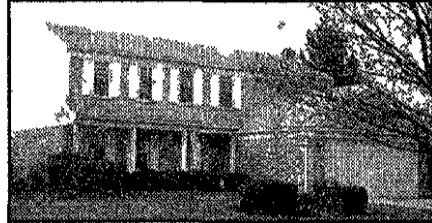
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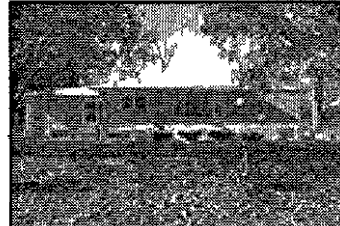
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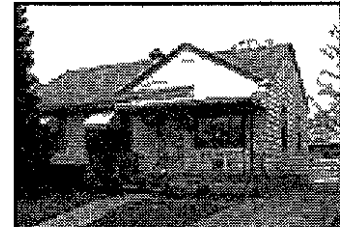
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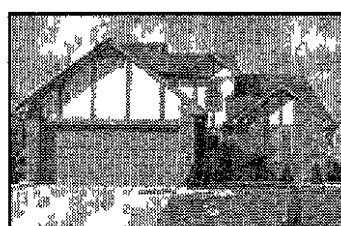
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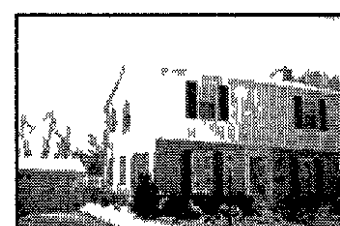
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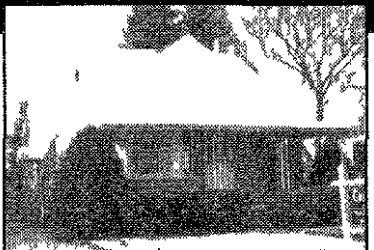
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REDFORD - Redford's finest! Beautiful brick Bungalow freshly painted throughout First floor carpet upper level hardwood floors Some newer windows updated furnace & water heater Dining room & master bedroom with built ins \$129 753 (61ROY) 734 455 5600



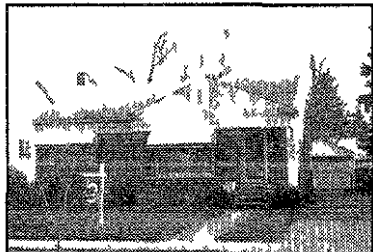
REDFORD - Affordable Redford Ranch Three bedroom home with large deck fenced yard fireplace in living room Partially finished basement with glass block windows Hardwood floors under carpet \$145 000 (52CRO) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE - Remarkable buy in Woodside Village Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial with white bay island kitchen with Jenn Aire appliances cathedral ceilings master with jetted tub & custom blinds This lovely traditional brick home backs to its own private pond \$414 900 (62WOO) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Absolutely exquisite 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath with view of a wooded nature preserve from the wrap around deck Huge gourmet kitchen with island & white cabinetry Spectacular living quarters in walk out lower level Northville schools \$569 900 (00BAR) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Livonia schools! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch with 2 car garage Updates newer windows hardwood floors new carpet in basement with half bath and covered porch out back! \$145 900 (28ARC) 734 455 5600



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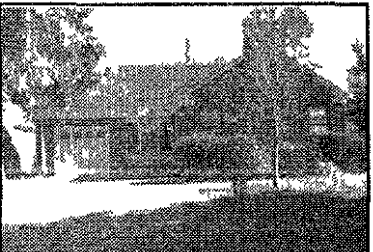
MILFORD - Step up & take a look! Three bedroom 2 bath newer raised Ranch home! Beautiful hardwood floors in entry great room hall & dining room Freshly painted & newer carpeting Appliances stay! Oak trim throughout & oversized 2 car garage \$214 900 (55MIL) 734 455 5600



GREEN OAK - Picturesque wooded lot Approximately 1 acre with 4 spacious bedrooms 3 1/2 baths & custom throughout Private deck off master suite Two story great room with fireplace Finished walk out basement Extensive landscaping with lighting \$529 900 (61SIL) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Great 2 bedroom starter home in established neighborhood with Livonia schools Freshly painted & neutral throughout Updates include newer vinyl carpet & vinyl siding furnace 1 1/2 car garage Plus attic storage Large fenced lot One year home warranty \$109 500 (77CAV) 248 349 5600



REDFORD - Brick Tudor 2 large bedrooms Updated kitchen and bath Carved wood fireplace attached garage air conditioning fenced yard basement lav newer roof furnace & windows \$129 900 (42SUM) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Hurry! This one won't last! Livonia Schools lovely neighborhood! Three bedroom 3 full bath ranch with finished basement with fireplace & pool table! Cherry wood kitchen & black appliances Oversized 2 car garage alarm system \$174 900 (35BAR) 734 455 5600



LIVONIA - Country in the city! Livonia schools! Three bedroom 2 bath Ranch on over a half acre Updates include new kitchen many new windows updated electrical & plumbing Master bedroom with private bath & walk in closet \$189 900 (52GRO) 734 455 5600

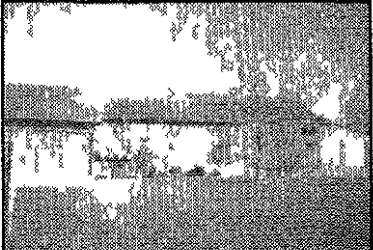


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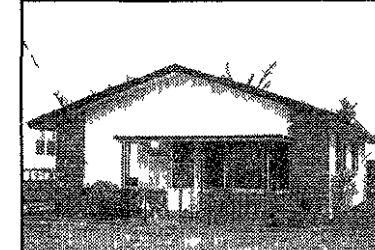
BRIGHTON - Prestigious Stonegate offers this 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath Colonial with 2 story foyer & all the extras Some are pedestal sink maple cabinets built in double ovens incredible family room with river rock fireplace upgraded carpet & lighting & much more \$469 500 (06STO) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Ranch Condo end unit with Florida room single car garage 2 full baths Pergo/wood like flooring and neutral decor Short walk to club house and beach area 55+ community \$100 000 (08SHE) 248 349 5600



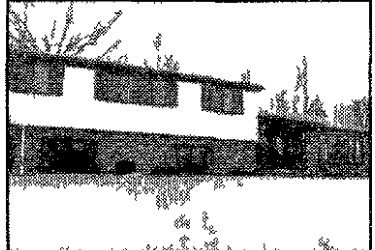
GARDEN CITY - Absolute perfection! Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch Quality updates inside and out! Custom kitchen & remodeled bath Neutral colors freshly painted & newer carpet throughout Finished basement and 2 car garage \$151 500 (32CAR) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Class of the comps! Super clean 3 bedroom Ranch on a park like setting! Circular drive & garage Sun room & updated kitchen Newer windows furnace central air central air stove refrigerator & carpet 2 car garage with storage Built in computer area \$104 900 (74HAN) 734 455 5600

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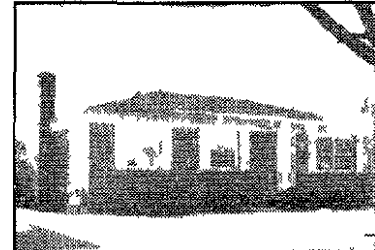
NORTHVILLE - Rural Northville Township Close to town with quaint shops & restaurants Beautiful equestrian area Four bedrooms & 3 1/2 baths Treed lot 2 fireplaces Huge side entry garage Hardwood floors & wet plaster \$349 900 (05SHA) 248 349 5600



FARMINGTON HILLS - Space & privacy awaits Don't miss this charming 3 bedroom Colonial with many updates Newer roof siding windows & carpet Fireplace in family room Finished basement lav newer roof furnace & windows \$129 900 (42SUM) 248 349 5600



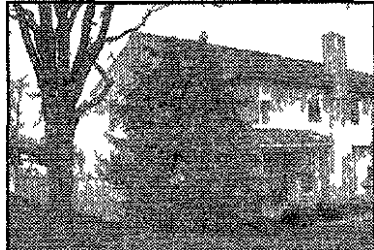
REDFORD - Bright Redford Bungalow! Many updates newer vinyl siding windows doors & furnace 11x7 deck partially finished basement & updated electric with breakers Carpeted throughout a lot of storage FHA & VA \$112 900 (07CEN) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Dearborn Heights delight! Three bedroom brick Ranch with 2 car 25 x 24 garage Updated kitchen & bath First floor laundry Newer windows gutters furnace central air stove refrigerator & carpet 2 car garage with storage Built in computer area \$161 900 (25HAS) 734 455 5600



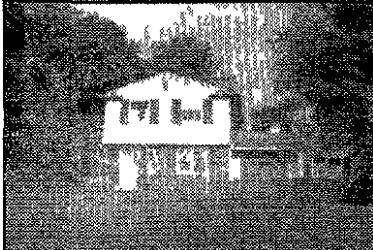
VAN BUREN - Premium lot! On a acre! Open foyer with hunter green ceramic tile Formal dining room or library Great room has natural fireplace trimmed in ceramic Spacious kitchen with bay Three car garage Waste suite \$219 900 (80SAD) 734 455 5600



NOVI - Charming end unit Condo with 2 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths & fireplace Newer windows neutral decor Master with walk in closet All appliances stay Patio formal dining room 1 car garage full basement central air Novi schools Pool club house & tennis 1 year home warranty \$149 900 (40GLE) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Condo sweet Condo Two bedroom 1 1/2 bath Condo with many updates windows roof landscaping painting sky lights flooring & tile back splash in kitchen sinks & faucets in baths \$156 000 (44CRO) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE - Terrific opportunity Three bedroom Tri level offers the chance to live in Northville Township/Northville school district Large lot offers recreation garden & more Hardwood floors in bedrooms fireplace in living room garage & shed for extra storage \$215 000 (95CLE) 248 349 5600



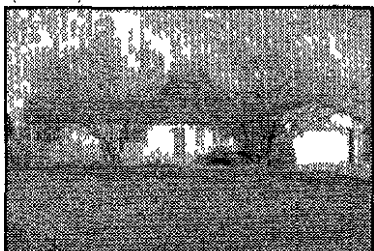
REDFORD - Adorable Ranch! Freshly painted inside & out 1 Beautiful finished hardwood floors Updated bath & kitchen Living room w/recessed lights Newer furnace windows C/A & brick paver side walk \$126 900 (76COL) 734 455 5600



SOUTHFIELD - Don't miss! Three bedroom 2 bath brick & wood exterior Ranch on a park like setting! Circular drive & garage Sun room & updated kitchen Newer windows central air furnace & carpet throughout \$149 900 (25LOU) 734 455 5600



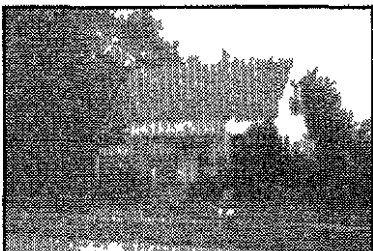
SUMPTER - A lot of land! Four bedroom 2 bath Colonial on a beautiful 2 1/8 acre lot! Newer furnace & central air spacious family room & laundry on the second floor Fruit trees berry bushes & surrounded by woods! \$164 900 (84SAV) 734 455 5600



LIVONIA - So nice to come home to N W Livonia Ranch with 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths living & family room Newer hardwood floors carpeting windows roof & driveway Country kitchen with oak cabinets Brick fireplace with raised hearth Andersen French door to multi level cedar deck \$224 100 (28SUS) 248 349 5600



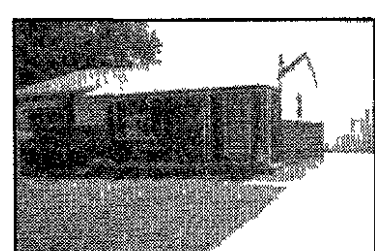
SOUTHFIELD - Expect to fall in love! If you are fussy this is the home for you Three bedroom updated Tri level plus spacious with plenty of room to roam Gorgeous wooded yard with oversized patio \$214 900 (45DOV) 248 349 5600



MADISON HEIGHTS - Charming Cape Cod Four bedroom 1 1/2 bath well cared for home with partially finished basement central air & hardwood floors Located on a double corner lot Many updates \$135 900 (51BRO) 248 349 5600



WAYNE - Great and clean starter home! Four bedroom spacious Bungalow minutes away from schools! Large updated kitchen with roll out cabinets Wood floors throughout \$139 000 (00EAS) 734 455 5600



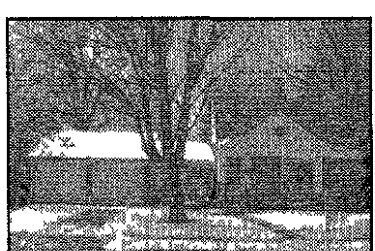
ROMULUS - Welcome home Completely updated! Everything including the bath tub within the last 5 years! Beautiful oak kitchen with dishwasher & micro Newer roof shingles & furnace with central air Oversized 2 car garage & finished basement \$124 900 (43LYN) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - You must see this home! Three bedroom brick Ranch with 2 car garage & part finished basement Newer furnace & central air updated electric & hot water heater Fresh paint Dining room & hardwood floors under carpet Dearborn schools! \$129 900 (48VIR) 734 455 5600



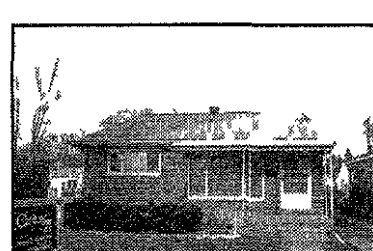
FARMINGTON HILLS - Beautiful 1998 built Ranch on approximately 1/2 acre lot! Great room with fireplace & vaulted ceiling Country kitchen with built ins 2 1/2 baths first floor laundry 2 car garage with work shop Huge master with walk in closet Part finished basement & work shop \$249 900 (04OME) 248 349 5600



PLYMOUTH - Great income property Currently being used as an income (2) family but could be changed to a 4 1/2 bedroom family home This is a must see to appreciate Hardwood floors double lot and newer roof \$269 900 (68HAR) 248 349 5600



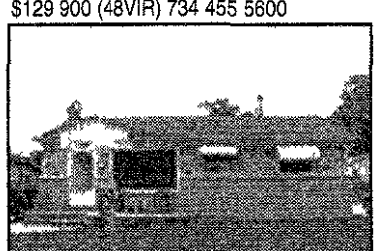
NORTHVILLE - One of Northville's finest historical homes available on approximately 2 acres with a pond This is a country setting in the city Four bedrooms with a possible fifth Two full & 2 1/2 baths Spacious kitchen first floor laundry for meal dining 3 fireplaces & so much more \$999 999 (40FAI) 248 349 5600



REDFORD - Wonderful starter on double lot! Large room sizes Updating has already been done just use your own decorating touches! Two big bedrooms spacious living room & finished basement \$127 900 (34FIV) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - Great value! Check the comps! A lot of living space in beautifully maintained neighborhood Hot water heater 01 dishwasher 02 carpet in family room 01 complete tear off house & garage 99 Cathedral ceilings & hardwood floors! \$132 000 (42RAH) 734 455 5600



TAYLOR - Beautiful broadfront Ranch! Three bedroom Ranch with updated oak kitchen dishwasher & loads of cabinet space! Drywall finished basement with glass block windows newer driveway hardwood floors & newer central air! \$119 900 (29WED) 734 455 5600



YPSILANTI - Charming home A lot of square footage for the money Three spacious bedrooms Newly remodeled ceramic bath Newer windows & roof All appliances included Fenced yard with shed Newer deck Hardwood floors Walk to schools \$147 000 (08SHA) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE - Stratford model 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath Condo kitchen with door wall off of breakfast room to deck Living room gas fireplace & cathedral ceiling Formal dining large master with 3 closets Full basement & 2 car attached garage \$310 000 (15SAI) 248 349 5600



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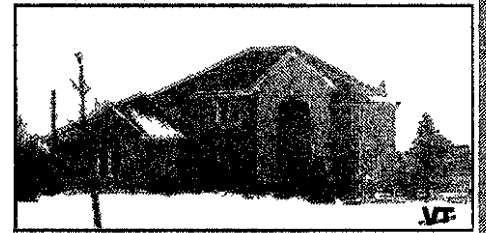
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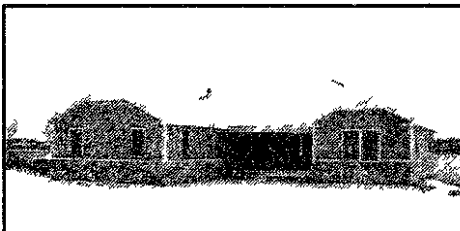
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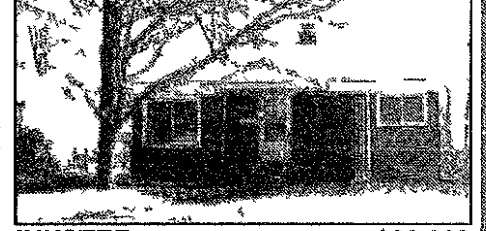
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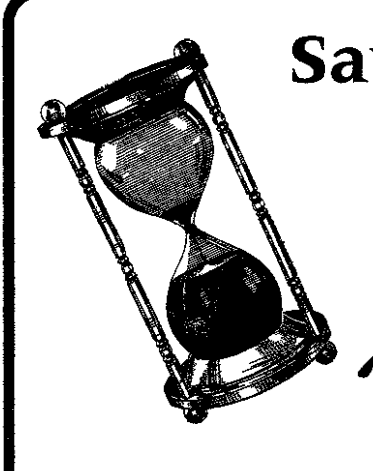
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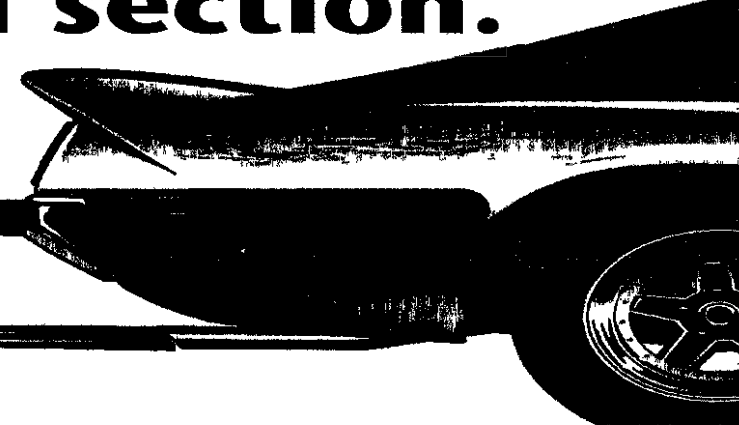
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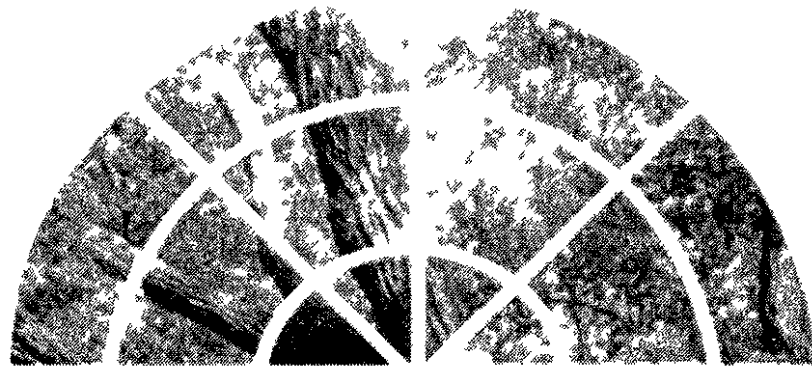


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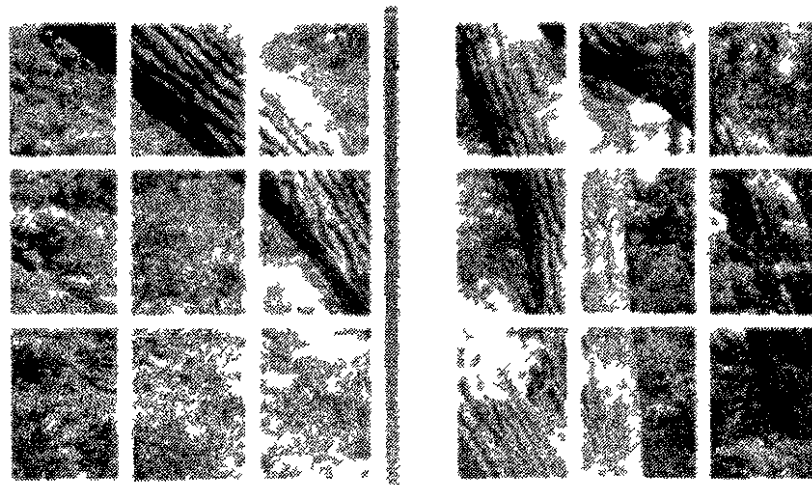
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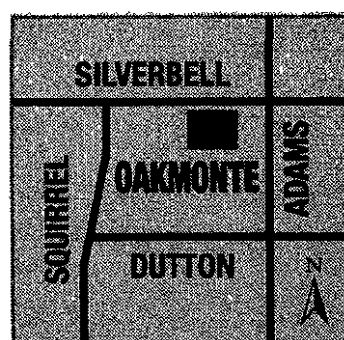
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