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### MONDAY

School board: The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meets in a study session at 7 p.m. at the E.J. McClendon center on Harvey.

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

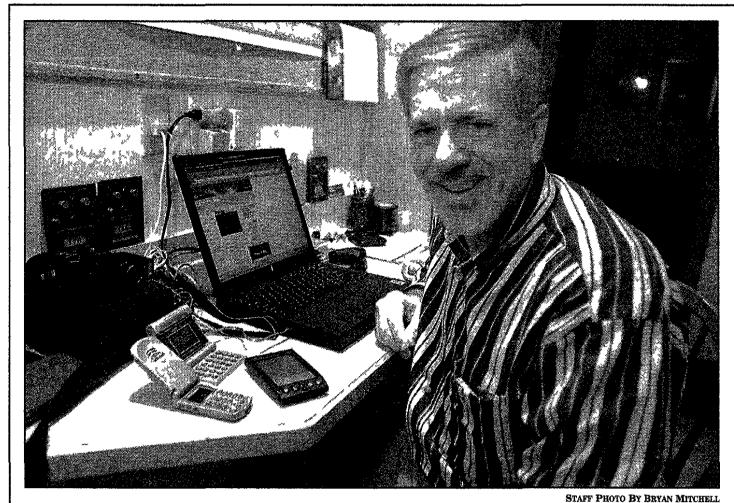
**Art critique:** Farmington Hills artist Jeri Fellwock will critique work submitted for her comments from 7-9 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Clerk's building on Ann Arbor Road and Lilley.

### TUESDAY

Kiwanıs meets: The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a.m. every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth. Guests are welcome. Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489.

#### **ERIDAY**

**Back in court:** *Plymouth* Township officials are back in Wayne County Circuit Court at 1:30 for a hearing on the Harvey lawsuit.



Always plugged in: At home or on the road, Canton resident Dave Givens stays on top of things with his cell phone, PDA, laptop computer and digital camera.

# **Gadget** guy Resident at forefront of technology revolution

Editor's note Canton resident Dave Givens, a self described technology hound, volunteered to keep a diary of his tech dependency during a business trip last week to the Philadel phia Biblical University and the Washington Bible College Student Missions Conference in Lanham, Md Givens, 53, is assistant to the US Director for Special Services at SEND International, an interdenominational Christian mission agency

He notes that he was dubbed "Inspector Gadget," after the popular cartoon character, by fellow travelers on a tour of Europe last spring

#### BY DAVE GIVENS SPECIAL WRITER

Day one - Thursday Feb. 21 -Good news, Bad news.

Awakened at 7 30 a m by the tune of Red River Valley from my new multi-function digital clock My watch also beeped I set both to be sure I'd wake up I had worked past midnight at the office to finish preparations for the business trip I'm leaving on later today

The "electronic secretary" on my PDA (personal digital assistant) sprang to life reminding me of a pastor's community prayer meeting I attend Thursday mornings at Geneva Presbyterian Church

is a major convenience for me Later during the prayer time, these same references become spiritual reminders of what God is doing in our lives

🔳 – I write several e-mail messages before taking a mid-day nap to make up for the late night I use a bi-level air pump for sleep apnea to maximize my oxygen intake for better rest Another technological wonder that the doctor ordered after a sleep test showed why I was always tired

The person giving us a ride to the airport is late He was distracted surfing the Internet and forgot what time it was

— My wife and I get to the airport

# Concern raised over voting system

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

A uniform voting system being bandied about in the Michigan legislature has at least one local community concerned with a law that could change the way voting is conducted

State Rep Bruce Patterson, (R-Canton Township), introduced a bill that would make it the responsibility of the secretary of state to select and direct the implementation of a uniform voting system

The price tag could be high, with estimates at up to \$38 7 million for total implementation throughout Michigan over several election cycles The money to convert statewide voting systems would depend on total funding from the federal government

Plymouth Township deputy clerk Sandy Groth, whose community uses the Unilect touch-screen voting system, expressed her displeasure to the potential change to both Patterson and State Rep John Stewart, (R-Plymouth Township)

"I don't think the uniform voting system is the answer," said Groth "Voters already feel disenfranchised We should be increasing their interest in voting and encouraging people to go to the polls I think it's a tremendous waste of money, and not the answer to the problem '

Groth 1s also concerned with rumors in Lansing the uniform system has already been chosen to be the Opti-Scan voting system, like the one used in the city of Plymouth, in which voters mark their paper ballot selections with a pencil The voting machine then either accepts the ballot, or kicks it out if there is a mistake Groth believes computerized touch screen machines, which don't allow mistakes during the course of voting, is the better system and doesn't want to give it up "I have a problem with having the latest in technology and then being told you can't use it," Groth said "Each clerk should be responsible to their community for the type of voting machines they want It shouldn't be up to the secretary of state to make the decision ' Patterson said his intent isn't to have just one voting system for the entire state "It's possible there may be more than one particular piece of equipment that meets the criteria," Patterson said "But, we're trying to make it uniform because we know we have a transient population ' After Groth expressed her concerns, Stewart took them to the legal division of the Legislative Services Bureau In a letter to Stewart dated Feb 28, legal counsel George Hare stated "Specifically, you inquired whether Ms Sandra J

**Fish fry:** *Baked fish and* pasta buffets are back at the Summit from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Feast on a menu that includes salad, pasta, baked cod, sides and beverages. Cost is \$8.50 per adult and \$5.50 for children 10 and under.

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Givens is the husband of Ply mouth-Canton school board member Liz Givens, who also works part-time for SEND International

Here are excerpts from his dıary

 $\blacksquare$  – During the sharing time with pastors, I opened my PalmPilot, which has the whole Bible loaded on it and the verse that happens to be in the center of the screen fits appropriately into the discussion Having an electronic version of the Bible at my fingertips with its automatic search feature

for a 5 25 flight Hoping the lines through the e-ticket machines will be faster, I try that line while she takes the traditional line Hers is moving faster, so we join forces and begin to prepare ourselves for the reality that we missed our flight With e-ticketing, I can even go online before going to the airport and issue myself a boarding

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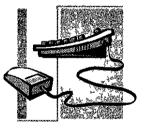
### **Connecting: Communities offer more Web choices**

# BY TEDD SCHNEIDER STAFF WRITER tschneider@oe.homecomm.net

The virtual city or township hall is slowly becoming reality as most local communities move to a second generation of on-line presence that offers everything from a peek at property tax bills to handgun permit applications Gone - almost - are the days when

municipal Web sites were nothing more than fluffy PR for elected officials and collections of sometimes outdated, or nearly useless information

Coming next in southeastern Michigan will be the ability to submit permit applications and other municipal documents over the Internet, although local Web site administrators said legal and security issues still cloud the timeline for that step



And some national experts, as well as local officials, worry that the economic downturn could hamper the evolution of municipal government Web sites as powerful tools for residents and the business community

If you haven't visited your community's Internet outpost lately, you might be surprised at what's available with just a few mouse clicks For example

Livonia residents can calculate - to the penny - how much the proposed road improvement millage on the Aug 6 primary ballot will add to their property tax bill

Plymouth residents can download and print the form requesting their home be placed on the Plymouth Police Department's vacation checklist

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# **Salvation Army facing** potential budget crunch

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.homecomm.net

The Plymouth Corps of the Salvation Army is facing a budget deficit reaching nearly \$120,000

As a result of the events of Sept 11, and the economic downturn, the local chapter finds itself in need of a financial infusion to keep from cutting staff and programs

We had a shortfall in our Christmas direct mail drive, and we attribute that to the events of 9-11," said Maj Stephen Hull, who runs the Plymouth Corps on Main Street "The mail campaign went out in the first week of November, which was in the same time frame as the anthrax scare We didn't know then, but that was a major impact "

Dan Herriman, finance committee chairman of the local advisory board, said last year's bell ringing campaign

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brought in \$120,000, which was \$5,000 more than budgeted

However, the mail campaign fell drastically short After raising \$270,000 in 2000, the Plymouth Corps raised its goal to \$325,000 for 2001 In reality, the pledges came in at just \$220,000

"Admittedly, we may have over-estimated our goals for this year," said Herriman "We also believe that support for 9-11 groups cut into the ability of people to contribute to our campaign "

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#### Bang the drum slowly



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Jammin' Jerry: Plymouth Salem High School Principal Jerry Ostoin took his turn on the drums during a recent Rocks prep basketball game Ostoin, part of a group called the "Bongo Boys," also played at Friday's Plymouth Rotary Club meeting

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# Detroit studies options as sale falls through

#### BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER bkadrich@oe.homecomm net

Officials in the city of Detroit thought they had their projected \$60 million budget deficit solved when they sold the former **Detroit House of Corrections** property for \$50 million back in January

Not so fast Shortly after the Detroit City Council accepted K/LB Funding LLC's bid, the developer balked asking the city to discuss lower ing the figure

New Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, never a big fan of the idea in the first place, declined

"The developer changed their mind about the price," said Kilpatrick spokesman Bob Berg "They were trying to negotiate

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> Bob Berg Spokesman for Mayor Kwame Kılpatrıck

were some problems and wanted to talk about lowering the price " Officials at K/LB Funding weren't available for comment

The parcel includes 417 acres in Plymouth Township and another 400 acres in Northville According to Berg, Detroit's mayor was "never comfortable" with the idea to begin with, and will now look at other ways to fight off the budget deficit

"The mayor is going to take a the price down They felt there look at it," Berg said "We're

having an independent appraisal done He indicated that, as far as the immediate budget situation is concerned, we'll find other ways to balance the budget He wasn't real comfortable with selling off a fixed asset to balance the budget anyway"

The deal was negotiated by the Archer administration, and Berg said Kilpatrick "reluctantly" agreed to it "Now that the deal has fallen through, though, we're going to take another look at it,"

Berg said The result could have an effect

on Plymouth Township officials, who had hoped to join with Northville Township to purchase at least a part of the land back from K/LB Funding Supervisor Steve Mann said the developer appeared to be environmentally friendly, something important to township officials

"Hopefully, whomever buys the property will feel just as strongly about the environment,' Mann said "We hope to meet with the Kilpatrick administration soon to talk to them about this "

Berg said the meeting should happen soon

"I know they've called, and we've returned their call," Berg said "We're going to try to get that set up "



# **PLYMOUTH PIPELINE**

#### Township photo contest

Anyone who has taken a photograph they think captures the "essence of Plymouth Township" can now submit it for use in next year's Plymouth Township calendar

All entrants whose photos appear will receive credit in the calendar To participate, submit a 4 x 6 glossy photograph, along with your name, address, telephone number and a brief description of the photo Photographers should make sure photos aren't too dark, or that people's heads aren't cropped out Township officials are reserving the right to crop photos

Deadline for entry is Sept 2 Send photos to Calendar Photos, Supervisor's Office, Charter Township of Plymouth, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170 For more information, call Ann DeGhetto, (734) 354-3203

#### Pippin on stage

The combined theatre program of Canton and Salem High Schools will stage the musical comedy Pippin March 21-23 in the Gloria Logan Auditorium for the Performing Arts at Salem High School

The curtain rises at 8 p m each night Tickets are \$7 for reserved seating and are available by calling the school at (734) 416-7723 Credit card orders are being accepted by phone through the Plymouth Community Arts Council, (734) 416-4ART

The Park Players production of Pippin features a cast of 40 students in all grade levels from Canton and Salem High Schools under the direction of Salem drama teacher Geoffrey Kopp Vocal director is Salem choir teacher Jennifer Neumann, and orchestra direction is by Canton orchestra teacher Catherine DePentu

Costumes are designed by student Ryan Patrick Welsh, while the student team of Kim Black, Kristi Halewicz, Nicole Mellian and Jerry Reid did the choreography

#### Theology on tap

An increasingly popular activity among adult Christians comes to the Box Bar four times this month

Theology on Tap gives single and married adults an opportunity to meet and share faith and spiritual experiences in a relaxed, social setting The program, sponsored by Canton's St John Neumann Catholic Church, will take place at 7 p m each Tuesday evening from March 5 to 26

"People can have a drink and engage in meaningful conversations about faith in a less formal and more comfortable atmosphere," said Tom West, coordinator of St John Neumann's Youth and Young Adult groups "We invite anyone who's interested to bring a friend with them '

Each week's discussions involve a theme "Living Life Simply" Dozens of adults participated in this program involving another topic last fall The Box Bar is located at 777 W Ann Arbor Trail in downtown Plymouth

Participants must be at least 18 years of age For more information or to reserve a spot, call St John Neumann at (734) 455-5910 or email West at tommyboy629@hotmail com



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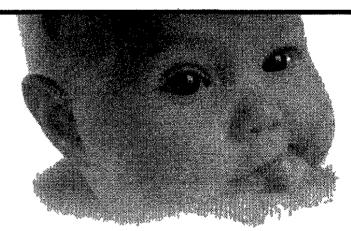
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# "Is It Time To Have a Baby?"

Planning to start a family or just found out you're pregnant? Join us for this fun and informative pregnancy planning seminar in Ann Arbor You'll get lots of practical information on the physical, emotional and financial aspects of having children

Saturday, March 16 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Ann Arbor



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- Pregnancy after 35 medical concerns
- Childbirth education and birthing options/trends
- Professionals Q&A Panel (including obstetricians a certified nurse midwife and obstetrics nurses)

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A resource manual covering the above topics and more

Light snacks and beverages

Optional tours of the Family Birth Center

#### Registration:

Fee is \$15 per couple Credit cards accepted To register or for more information please call 734-712-5400 or 800-231-2211

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# High tech takes 1 city right down the sewer

#### BY TEDD SCHNEIDER STAFF WRITER tschneider@oe.homecomm.net

A bigger, brighter Internet presence for their home town may be the one use residents notice on a regular basis But it's far from the only municipal technology application literally hitting local streets this winter

In Plymouth, for example, onboard computers allow salt truck drivers to regulate the flow and width of their discharge The technology has helped the city cut costs and is beneficial for the environment, according to City Manager Paul Sincock

Plymouth residents and businesses can also order "sewer cam " Municipal Services workers snake a mini camera down the storm drain looking for bro ken pipes and blockages Customers get an instant color photo printout showing the situ ation

"We can catch things before they become a critical problem,' Sincock said

The city picks up half the \$180 cost and bills the user for the balance

Farmington Hills and Livonia have gone from paper to paperless city council agendas and backup materials

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switch two years ago, supplying notebook computers to council members, who download their weekly packet the Friday before a meeting

"We used to have two people at the copy machine the entire day on Fridays," said Kathy Dornan,

Farmington Hills made the city clerk "Now those employees can do other, more productive things " While paper agendas and

> backup materials are still available on request, Dornan said the electronic agendas have made access more convenient for a greater number of people The

clerk's office routinely e-mails about 70 agendas each week to residents and others

"Before, you sometimes had a petitioner or two, or someone else with an interest But that was about it," Dornan said

There's no fee to receive the agenda via e-mail or conventional maıl

In Livonia, council members have been receiving electronic packets for six months, said Dan Putman, the city's information systems manager

Putman said it may take a while longer to assess the time or cost savings because the packets are typically far larger than those in Farmington Hills A recent Livonia packet contained the equivalent of 1,100 printed pages, he said

Of course in most local communities, the easiest way for residents to have a high-tech encounter is to run afoul of the law Area police departments arê early adapters when it comes to technology applications

There's radar guns, in-car video cameras, Automated Fingerprint Identification Systems (AFIS), DNA evidence and, when you finally get your day in court, it could be in a video arraignment

#### Connecting from page A1

In Farmington, where the city's Web site is aimed at attracting new business as well as providing services for residents, you can take a video tour of downtown

Those unlucky enough to be caught speeding in Redford Township can pay the fine online with a credit card through a link with the 17th District Court Web site And if you're still angry about the way the township handles traffic enforcement, you can look up township board minutes going back to 1969 to see if anyone has voiced similar concerns

#### Upgrades on the way

Nearly every municipal Web site offers e-mail to elected officials and department heads Most have links to the local library and school districts On the business side, several devote pages to current bidding opportunities and RFPs

Even in communities just beginning to upgrade their initial sites, enhancing constituent services through interactivity is the top priority "The eventual goal is for people not to have to call the city to get information," said Scott Veldhuis, Westland economic development director and staff administrator for the city's site

"We need to add more informa tion, make our site more userfriendly and more current "

Today, Westland residents can fill out about two dozen forms and permit applications, as well as view zoning maps The city can also post emergency alerts in

for e-mail and a limited amount of interactivity," Mann said

In Redford Township, residents and businesses should be able to pay their water bills online by spring, said Betsy McRae, the deputy township clerk who administers the Web site The project is being handled jointly by the township and a subcontractor, Officialpayments com

#### More interactivity

Canton Township and Livonia, which already offer a basic level of interactivity, are looking to expand their capabilities in the near future as well

Canton Township's site is "continually evolving," said township Web designer Mari Ellis, one of a handful of fulltime municipal employees across the Midwest whose sole responsibility is Web site administration Ellis said the township was looking at on-line document submission, although there's no timetable for adding it to the site

The most popular page on Canton's site is the property tax database which allows users to look up the tax bills and payment records for any parcel in the township "Real estate agents use it, people use it to see if their tax payments have been applied and, of course, peo ple use it to compare their tax bill with their neighbor's," she saıd

Canton 1s also one of a number of local communities that posts township job openings and applications online

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Canton Township	www.canton-mi.org				
Farmington	cı.farmıngton.mı.us				
Farmington Hills	www.ci.farmington-hills.mi.us				
Garden City	cityofgardencity.org•				
Livonia	ci.livonia mi.us				
Plymouth	ci.plymouth.mi.us				
Plymouth Township	plymouthtwp.org				
Redford Township	redfordmi.com				
Westland	cı.westland.mı.us				
Oakland County	www.co.oakland.mi.us				
Wayne County	waynecounty.com				
State of Michigan	www.state mi.us				
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manager

"I think until more people have cable modems and DSL (high-speed Internet connec tions), you're not going to see a huge amount of interest in that kind of thing," Putman said

But the idea of adding as much interactivity – in as many different formats - as possible is echoed in a report from Gartner Research, a Stamford, Conn based research and consulting firm used by local and state gov ernments throughout the US The November 2000 report lists four phases of e-government

contact for residents and businesses, according to the report Eventually, that could mean a series of custom-tailored Web sites for individual users or even voting over the Internet

#### **Roadblocks in Michigan**

There are major obstacles to even the third level of e-government, according to local Web site administrators A bill in the state legislature would allow electronic signatures on legal

documents, but it remains in the next couple of years," said committee

"In Michigan, the only legal signature is still the one that's handwritten on a printed piece of paper," said Tom Alexandris, Plymouth information systems manager

Web site administrators with other municipal government experience in several communities said they still believe many residents will be reluctant to give out credit card information online or just change the way they've always interacted with their local government A large number of residents still line up at the treasurer's window to pay property taxes in person, rather than trust the post office, they said

Meanwhile, declining state shared revenues and other budget cuts could eventually stall municipal Web site development, some officials said, even though most southeastern Michigan communities spend comparatively little keeping their sites up and running

Others disagreed, saying local government's presence on the Web had become too valuable to discard during an initial wave of belt-tightening

"I'm not sure I would call it a frill," Westland's Veldhuis said "You need to be able to make a long-term commitment to it though"

"We may not be able to do some of the larger projects over I've seen to accomplish that "

Livonia's Putman "But I think there's a cost savings to look at when you begin offering things online as well '

#### Minimal costs

Livonia spent \$8,000 to put up its site four years ago, using å start-up company that has since become a leader in the municipat Web site field. Putman said The cost to maintain and administer it is small enough that it isn't broken out as a separate line item in his department budget, he added

Redford paid less than \$5,000 last April to put its site up through IBS Solutions, a Dearborn-based Web site developer The township spends \$400 monthly to maintain the site and pays \$1,100 yearly in hosting fees

The site is updated weekly and much of the information comes from other township employees, McRae said

Most Web site administrators and elected officials said they now consider a municipal Web site a basic and necessary service, in the same category as public safety and trash collection

Said Plymouth Township's Mann "One of the goals I set out when I ran for supervisor was to make communication with constituents a top priority "

"The Web site is the best way

a prominent spot at the top of its home page

Plymouth Township's Web site will be completely redone this month, said Supervisor Steve Mann "We'll have an updated list of current events, assessing information, emergency notification for road repairs, a list-serve

Livonia has been experimenting with streaming video The phase allows users to conduct site recently posted some of the shows from the city's cable TV channel, as well as Mayor Jack Kirksey's State of the City Address Feedback was fairly limited, said Dan Putman, the city's information systems by providing a single point of

The "Transaction" (third) and complete entire tasks online, such as paying taxes or obtaining dog licenses

The end goal, or "Transformation Phase," is to "redefine the delivery of government services"



Saturday, March 9 10 30 am and 2 pm In Dresses Livonia

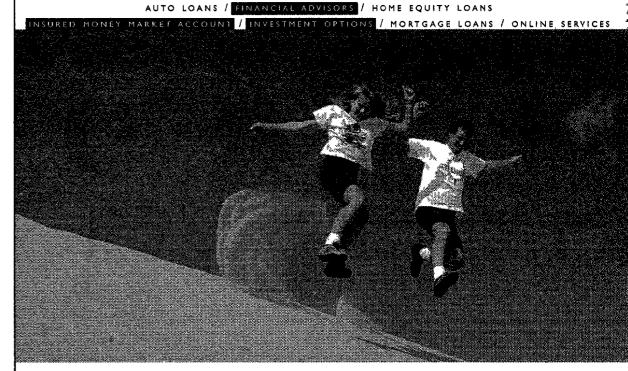
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# **Plymouth man running** for cancer research team

On April 15, Michael Licata of **II On April 15, Michael** Plymouth, Mich, will be pounding 26 2 miles of pavement as a participant in the 13th annual Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge The DFMC team will join the runners taking part in the running of the 106th Boston Marathon

Licata, along with DFMC teammates from 20 states, will run Massachusetts' historic marathon route from Hopkinton to Boston to raise \$3 million for cancer research

By raising a minimum of \$2,000 each to be a team member. DFMC runners are funding the Claudia Adams Barr Program in Innovative Basic Cancer **Research at Dana-Farber Cancer** Institute in Boston

Since the DFMC's inception in among the first charity organiza-

Licata of Plymouth, Mich., will be pounding 26.2 miles of pavement as a participant in the **13th annual Dana-Far**ber Marathon Challenge.

1989, the runners have raised more than \$13 million for the Barr Program, which was founded in 1987 by Dana-Farber trustees and Jacksonville Jaguars owners Wayne and Delores Weaver to honor Mrs Weaver's mother who lost her battle with cancer 30 years earlier

In 1990, Dana-Farber was

tions to be given official marathon numbers by the Boston Athletic Association (BAA) This year, 15 charities benefit from the BAA's charity program The Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge features training guidance from Jack Fultz, the 1976 Boston Marathon men's champion, plus team training runs, extensive fundraising support, and volunteer opportunities for non-runners

To contribute to Licata's marathon run, send a check, payable to "Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge" to the DFMC offices at 152A Trapelo Road, Lincoln, MA 01773 Please indicate that the contribution is for Licata For more information, call (781) 259-8881

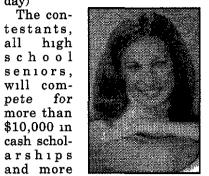


Katie Lorenz of Plymouth, the daughter of Scott and Yvonne Lorenz, will be among 26 young ladies competing in the Michigan Junior Miss pageant in Alpena beginning today (Sun-

**Junior Miss** 

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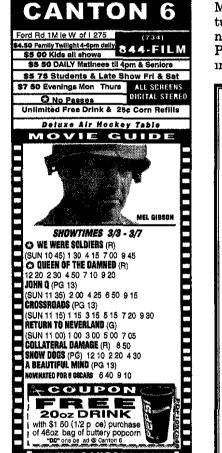


than \$12 Katie Lorenz million in

college tuition scholarships and a chance to represent Michigan at America's Junior Miss June  $\mathbf{27}$ 

The week-long stay in Alpena will include rehearsals, a career/job shadowing seminar, and several other learning seminars They'll visit Alpena's pubhc safety building and local elementary schools

The winner will be announced Saturday, March 9



### BRIEFLY.... **Easter brunch**

St John's Golf & Conference Center will, for the first time, host an Easter brunch open to the public March 31

The brunch menu will feature everything from traditional breakfast food to smoked seafood to entrees such as chef-carved New York strip loin, along with a dessert selection

Children will be entertained by the Easter Bunny, and there will be big-band entertainment from noon to 3 p m

Brunch will be served from 11 am-3pm Reservations are required and can be made by calling (734) 414-0600

#### Skating lessons

The City of Plymouth is once again accepting registrations for its basic skills ice skating lessons Classes start the week of March 25 and run seven weeks Classes will be offered on Monday evenings, Thursday mornings and afternoons, and Saturday mornings Each class runs 25 minutes with an additional 25 minutes of available practice time

General registration will be held from 6 30-8 pm Thursday, March 21 at the Plymouth Cultural Center The cost 1s \$50 for non-residents. \$30 for City of Plymouth residents For more information, please call the City

of Plymouth Recreation Office at (734) 455-6620

#### **Driver's education**

Registration for the summer driver's education program takes place beginning at 8 a m Saturday, March 23, in the Canton High School Cafeteria This will be the only registration day If a student/parent cannot register on this date, someone else may register for that person

Registration is scheduled for students who will be at least 14 years and 8 months old prior to the first day of class (a birth date before Nov 15, 1987) Only these students will be eligible for this summer's driver education program All of the pertinent information (registration times, session dates, attendance policy, etc ) is included on the registration form which must be completed and returned on Saturday, March 23

Registration forms were distributed to students March 1 Additional registration forms can be picked up in either the Canton or Salem High School general offices or in Salem's Office 1000 This year there is a charge of \$250 for this program, payable at registration This includes a workbook



**Home Improvement**  $\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{X} \cdot \mathbf{P}$ Saturday, March 9, 2002 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Summit on the Park

### **Display booths by:**

Action Concrete Services A R Kramer Flooring, Basic Electric, Canton Building Inspectors Canton Public Safety Cabinet Clinic Carlton Heating, Clink Landscaping & Nursery, Community Federal Credit Union, Crimboli Nursery, Decorating Den Interiors, First Choice Floor Covering Gingerbread Trim Handy Pro Handyman, Heat n Sweep, Henderson Glass, Home Depot KSI Kitchen Suppliers, Keller and Stein Florist La Z Boy, Master Lighting, Mathison Supply, Mechanical Energy, Michigan HEAT, Miles Bradley Building Inc , Murray Gula the Home Improvement Doctor NA Mans Building Ctr , National City Bank Outdoor Fun Store, Pete's Stump Removal, Plymouth Equipment Regal Construction Reliable Landscaping, S&M Heating, Spas Direct, Today's Fireplace/Spa, Tony V s Sunroom & Spas, Waiter's Home Appliances, and Weatherization Specialties

### Workshop/Product Demonstrations:

9 a.m. Kitchen Planning KSI Kitchen Suppliers

1 p.m. Building Law & Order Murray Gula, Home Improvement Doctor

10 a.m Ask the Inspector Canton Inspectors

2 p.m. The Future of Decking? NA Mans Building Ctr.

11 a.m Residential Remodeling 3 p.m. Decorating Ideas Regal Construction

12 p.m. Solar Energy Mechanical Energy Systems

- Decorating Den Interiors
- 4 p.m. Home Equity Loans Community Federal Credit Union



Enjoy refreshments throughout the day. Call 394-5200 for more information.



Hosted by Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division and the Canton Chamber of Commerce

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### NANCY LYNN SMITH

Services for Nancy Smith, 51, of Northville, were held Feb 19 at Northrop Sassaman Funeral Home with the Rev Eldon Beery officiating Burial was at Rural Hill Cemetery

Ms Smith was born Jan 21, 1951 in Wayne and died Feb 15 in Northville She was a gradu ate of Plymouth High School She held a beautician's license and worked as a waitress at Northville Downs for 22 years

Ms Smith was preceded in death by her father, Lawrence H  $\mathbf{Smith}$ 

Survivors include mother, Anne G Smith of Plymouth, sister, Janice Smith of Plymouth, broth ers, Lawrence H Smith of West land and Steve G Smith of Can ton, and many other relatives

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association

Arrangements made by Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home

#### **ELEANOR H. STEVENS**

Services for Eleanor Stevens, 75, of Plymouth, were held Feb 23 at Forsyth School in Ann Arbor with the Rev Randy De lessandro of United Church of God officiating

Mrs Stevens was born July 18, 1926 in Windsor, Ontario, and died Feb 11 in Plymouth She was a homemaker

Survivors include husband, Harold Stevens, daughter, Bar bara Ann Stevens, and grand daughter, Nicole Stevens

Memorial contributions may be made to the Visiting Nurse's Association of Southeast Michigan Hospice, 25900 Greenfield

Rd, Ste 100, Oak Park, MI 48237

Arrangements made by R G & **G R** Harris Funeral Home

#### JAMES (BUSTER) WALKER

Services for James Walker, 75, were held Feb 23 at Frenchtown Missionary Baptist Church in Monroe

Mr Walker died Feb 20 He was a proud deacon of French town Missionary Baptist Church

Survivors include wife of 54 vears, Lenore Walker, son, Garv (JoAnn) of Canton, son, Ron (Jill) Walker of St Louis, Mo, daughter, Sherry (Yale) Willoughby of Fort Meyers, Fla, and daughter, Robin of Kalamazoo, 14 grandchildren, and 13 great grandchil dren, brother, Clarence Walker of Monroe, brother, Mack of Maynardville, Tenn, sister, Reba Daniels of New Tazewell, Tenn, and sister, Hazel Kaiser of Maynardville, Tenn

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kidney Foundation Arrangements made by McCabe Funeral Home Canton Chapel

#### WILLIAM JAMES RORICK

Services for William James Rorick, 83, of Canton will be held March 1 at Good Hope Lutheran Church with the Rev Lisa Ray lene Barnes officiating Burial will be at Acacia Park Cemetery, Beverly Hills, Mich Mr Rorick was born Oct 25,

1918 in Akron, Ohio and died Feb 24 in Saline He was a retired milkman who

worked for the Borden Dairy and Wilson Dairy Co during his 25year career

Mr Rorick came to the West-

the Plymouth District Library.

223 S Main Her last two

appearances will be in Novi and

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

We have maintained a strong

Northville

land community from Detroit in 1957, later moving to Canton Township He was a member of Good Hope Lutheran Church for 40 years At the church, he was an usher, member of the Prime Timers seniors group, blood drive coordinator, church council member, lay reader and bus driver Mr Rorick served in the Navy

during World War II He was also an avid sports fan,

sometimes watching two events at the same time He was an umpire for sandlot baseball and at the high school level for 40 vears

He was preceded in death by his wife, Irene, in 1986

Survivors include two daugh ters, Barbara L (Robert) Washenko of Canton, and Kathy S (Glenn) Buss of Chelsea, and five grandchildren, David, Tim and Daniel Washenko, and Carrie and Jennifer Buss

Memorial contributions may be made to Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City, MI 48135

#### **GERALD EDGAR GARNER**

Services for Gerald Garner, 62, of Dearborn Heights, were held Feb 14 at Riverside Cemetery with the Rev John Ederar offici ating Burial was also at River side Cemetery in Vassar, Mich

Mr Garner was born Feb 10, 1939 in Detroit and died Jan 2 in Dearborn Heights He was selfemployed

He was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel (Gertrude) Garner

He is survived by his brother, James Garner of California Arrangements made by Ver meulen Funeral Home



Community Federal Credit the Canton Library, 1200 S Union has announced that it will co-sponsor radio celebrity Jackie Purtan, of Purtan's People on WOMC (104 3 FM), for a weekly story time at area libraries during National Reading Month in March

Purtan will read stories for children, ages kindergarten -2nd grade, each Tuesday afternoon in March, beginning at 5 30 pm at area libraries

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Month " Canton Center, and March 12 at

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, visit the credit union web site at www.cfcu org or call (734) 453-





LABEDA ST. PATTY'S

**DAY CUP** 

March 9-10

Entry Fee: \$400

- **High School** Adult Coed
- League starts. Mar 5 a Reg Deadline March 5 1 1
  - \$650/team

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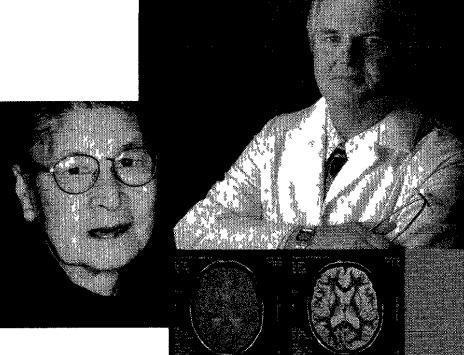
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#### PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### **AROUND TOWN**

#### **SPRING MUSICAL**

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This spring enjoy a musical adaptation of "Jack and the Beanstalk" at Northville's Marquis Theater, March 9 through April 21 Tickets to all public performances are \$7 50 For information, call (248) 349-8110

#### SOFTBALL LEAGUES

The city of Plymouth will once again be offering men's slowpitch and modified softball leagues this spring The registration fee per team is \$550, which includes game balls and the non-resident fee deposit Umpire fees are not included Call the Cultural Center at (734) 455-6620 for further information

#### SENIORS MUSICAL PROGRAM

The Plymouth Community Council On Aging hosts "Sounds of Canton," a senior singing group Come and listen to music that gladdens your heart Refreshments follow the meeting Being held at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 1 30 p m Monday, March 11 Call (734) 453-1234 for further information

#### **LENTEN RETREAT**

A spiritual weekend retreat for divorced and separated men and

women of all ages will be held on March 22-24 at St John Center in Plymouth The cost of \$100-150 includes lodging and five meals Presenters include Rev Ed Farrell and Bishop Kevin Britt You must register by March 15 Call George at (313) 886-7413, Mike at (248) 652-3860, or Barb at (734) 453-0222

#### **OPEN HOUSE**

Willow Creek Co-op Preschool is holding an open house from 6-8 p m Tuesday, March 12 Meet teachers and other co-op parents and register for the 2002-2003 school year Three-year-olds meet Tuesday and Thursday, four-year-olds meet Monday, Wednesday, and Friday For more information, call Maria at (734) 326-9101

#### **ARTWORK CRITIQUE**

Farmington Hills artist Jeri Fellwock will show some of her work then critique work submitted for her comments from 7-9 p m Monday, March 4 at the Plymouth Township Clerk's building on Ann Arbor Road and Lilley Her free advice will help you improve your technique and give you insights into new directions to take your art

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION** Little Lambs Christian

Preschool registration will be at 9 a m Saturday, March 16 located inside First Baptist Church The school offers hands-on learning in a theme-based kindergarten readiness program, monthly field trips, low student/degreed teacher ratio, student evaluations and parent conferences Students must be 3 or 4 years old by Aug 1 Call Shari for more information at (734) 414-7792

#### **FLEA MARKET**

The Ann Arbor Women's City Club flea market will be from 930 am to 130 pm Saturday, March 12 at the City Club, 1830 Washtenaw Avenue Public and welcome and free of charge Any additional information, call (734) 662-3279

#### EMERALD BALL

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, Patrick Ryan Division is hosting its annual ball, beginning with Mass at 4 30 at St Thomas a'Becket Church on Saturday, March 9 There will be an open bar and buffet, plus a full evening of Irish entertainment Tickets are \$75 per couple, \$40 per single Call (734) 453-5352 for further information

#### **HEALTHY HEART CLASSES**

St Mary Mercy Hospital offers

#### classes related to cardiovascular health from Feb 12 through March 26 to clarify the overabundance of heart health information available to consumers There is a \$10 fee per class and participants are asked to preregister by contacting the Community Outreach Department at (734) 655-8940

#### SWIM CLASSES

Canton Township Leisure Services has added several swim classes for parent and child, preschool, youth, teen and adult aquatic programs Classes begin the week of March 4 with registration ongoing for residents Call (734) 394-5460 for class availability

#### PCEP FUNDRAISER

Plymouth Salem Freshmen Student Council is selling America's ValuCards as their fundraiser The cards sell for \$10 and offer discounts from area businesses Unlike coupons, America's ValuCards can be used every day for an entire year Fifty percent of the profit will go to the school Call (734) 416-2800 for more information

#### **ROLLER SKATING CLASSES**

For children and adults Sixweek classes, \$30 each from 11 15 a m -noon, Saturdays

Classes starting Feb 16 and April 11 Call (734) 459-6401 **ART SPRING WORKSHOPS** 

The Ann Arbor Art Center will be offering week-long spring break workshops for children aged 6-12 beginning Feb 25 to April 1 These will be held in week-long, half-day sessions Children can register for morning sessions from 9 a m to 1 p m , or afternoon sessions, from 1 pm to 4 pm The cost 1s \$85 for members and \$95 for nonmembers Call (734) 994-8004 x 101 to register or for further information

#### **RECREATION REGISTRATION**

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

#### CLUBS **ASTRONOMY DISCUSSION**

Plymouth Library offers a free monthly Family Astronomy Discussion Group from 7-8 p m for both individuals and families

with children 6 years and older Door prizes, slides, video and handouts Call Mike Best at (734) 459-2378

#### WEST SUBURBAN STAMP CLUB

Meeting at 8 p m the first and third Fridays of the month at the Plymouth Historical Society, 155 S Main St, Plymouth

#### **PLYMOUTH CANTON JAYCEES**

Looking for people 21-39 interested in making friends, helping with good causes and having a good time The Jaycees meet at 7 30 p m every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office Call (734) 453-8407 or show up at the group's monthly meeting

#### **K OF C BREAKFAST**

The Knights of Columbus holds a breakfast buffet 8 30 a m to noon every Sunday at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 150 Fair St, Plymouth All-you-caneat buffet Newly remodeled breakfast room Call (734) 453-9833 for further information

#### **KIWANIS BREAKFAST CLUB**

The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanıs Breakfast Club meets 7 a m every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Plymouth Guests are welcome Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406-8489

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH** WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE

#### SUMMARY OR ORDINANCE NO. C-2002-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PROVIDING FOR WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS IN THE TOWNSHIP; PROVIDING FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS; PROVIDING FOR WATER BENEFIT CHARGES AND RATES, OTHER CHARGES, SEWER SYSTEM RATES, AND SEWER **BENEFIT CHARGES; PROVIDING FOR USE FACTOR** SCHEDULES, TRANSITION RULES, INDUSTRIAL WASTE CONTROL CHARGES, INDUSTRIAL WASTE SURCHARGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT; PROVIDING FOR DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS AND WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR MONITORING FACILITIES, INSPECTION, SAMPLING, AND RECORD KEEPING, ENFORCEMENT, PROVIDING FOR DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH NPDES PERMITS; PROVIDING FOR RATE APPEALS, WATER AND SEWER APPLICATIONS, BILLINGS, ENFORCEMENT, INTERIOR METERS, EXTERIOR METERS, CONNECTIONS TO THE SYSTEM, A SUMP PUMP COLLECTION SYSTEM, AND WATER CONSERVATION DEVISES, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF UNENFORCEABLE PROVISIONS, **PROVIDING FOR PRESERVATION OF EXISTING CHARGES,** RATES AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION(S); PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS-

#### SECTION 1. ORDINANCE.

#### ARTICLE I

This Article provides for the purpose of the Water and Sewer System Ordinance, definitions for terms used, water rates, sewer rates, a use factor schedule, transition rules for water and sewer benefit charge amendments as well as industrial waste controls and industrial surveillance permit fees

pass ■ -Since this diary is to be about my use of technology, I decide it would be best to take my notes using that technology But, later on the plane, disaster strikes This is the reality of my technological world

I was talking with a seatmate across the aisle of the plane I forgot I had my PDA in my lap and at one point it slipped off and fell to the floor When I opened it later upon our arrival at the Philadelphia airport, the screen was flashing the PalmPilot logo Later at the car rental place, when asked for my reservation code, I went for the PDA but was unable to retrieve any information

As I went to bed. I trued to get the PDA working again Finally, I dumped any hopes of recovering the data Fortunately, I had backed up the PDA on my laptop a day earlier Eventually,

Sometimes, I spend more

Day two - Friday, Feb. 22 -

night in Delaware about 7 45

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head outside where the weather was more like spring than February should have been I saw a picture and out came my digital camera A few minutes later, my cell phone vibrated on the belt It was a call about an RAM chip I returned to my computer company for replacement This started a series of calls until the problem was solved later in the day

After lunch, I dropped in on a staff office to talk about a possible trip together to visit Chi nese churches in Russia from Siberia to the Far East While there, another discussion leads to a question about a Chinese seminary in New Jersey This time, using his desktop computer we found all the information I

talked about a side trip we took to Italy and Switzerland They were interested in seeing pictures of the Italian Alps, the Dolomites So out with a digital data projector, hooked up to my laptop computer and we had an evening looking at huge images of snow-covered peaks projected on a large white wall

Day three - Saturday, Feb. 23 - Fear of breakdown, Part Π

I needed some time to polish my PowerPoint presentation for the messages I would be giving at church on Sunday morning Before breakfast, I opened my laptop only to find it was locked up and nothing was working I was beginning to think that keeping the technological diary was a jinx to my effective use of the tools

Finally, after breakfast, I tried it again I even prayed over the machine (not to the machine that would be idolatry)<sup>†</sup> IT WORKED' There are many times in my years of working with media and technology, that I'm convinced these things are made to test the spirit This was one of those times ■ At lunch we met some friends and wanted a group picture The digital camera handed to the waitress, allowed me to see if we had a good one or not I could easily download the image to my laptop, attach it to an email for our housing arrangements No response I began calling friends nearby, checking with my travel club and finally decided to make a motel reservation for the night Cell phone and laptop with MS Streets and trips were all part of locating a motel near the church for our speaking engagement on Sunday morning

In our room, I set up my portable printer and laptop Final details were worked out on the PowerPoint program To cover a possible repeat of the earlier lockup, I burned a CD back up of the program and a thumbnail print out of all the slides, so as not be left without "Plan B" should the technology fail tomorrow morning

Day four - Sunday, Feb. 24 - Everything worked

The Red River Valley tune woke us up for the deluxe continental breakfast offered at the motel It was then on to the church to set up for the messages I took a picture of the church with my digital camera on the way into the parking lot That was later resized on my laptop, PaintShop Pro software and inserted into the PowerPoint presentation The first presentation was at 8 30 a m Digital projector, laptop and PowerPoint all worked well I realized that there were too many slides, so between services, I altered the presentation somewhat and turned off a bunch of slides

# Gadget guy

I was able to restore the data

time making these technological devices work, then having them work for me

am I Arrived on campus at

Philadelphia Biblical University (PBU), set up my display, greeted a few people and headed to a 9 a m class to give a short PowerPoint presentation to a class on managing the non-profit com-

After awhile, I decided to

#### **ARTICLE II**

This Article provides for an industrial waste pretreatment program for discharges to the Detroit Water and Sewer Department, a delegation of authority to the DWSD definitions discharge prohibitions fees waste water discharge permits, monitoring facilities, inspection, sampling, record-keeping, confidentiality of certain information, statutes, laws, regulations, enforcement and appeal procedure

#### ARTICLE III

This Article provides for an industrial waste pretreatment program for users tributary to the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority

#### **DIVISION 1. GENERALLY**

This division provides for applicability definitions, abbreviations and protection from damage

#### **DIVISION 2 ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

This division provides for permits, information required prior to connection to the system reporting required after revisions to the standards, additional reporting requirements, powers of the Ypsilanti Community Authority, sampling and monitoring facilities right to access for inspection, sampling, records examination and record copying, confidentiality, enforcement by the township, records, accounts, audits, powers and authority of inspectors, an enforcement process, permit requirements for nondomestic users, an issuance process and penalties for violations

#### **DIVISION 3. USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS**

This division provides for unpolling discharge, prohibitions on discharges, promulgation of standards, prohibited concentrations of certain pollutants and a mercury reduction plan, sampling measurements, surcharges and special agreements, dilution of discharge, accidental discharge determinations of sewage flow, disposal at the sewage treatment plant, reports of violations and notification of authorities about discharge of hazardous waste

#### VIOLATION AND PENALTY. SECTION 2.

This section provides that any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500 00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court

#### SECTION 3. REPEAL

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

#### SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

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

#### SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE.

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

#### SECTION 6. PUBLICATION

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

#### SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law

#### **CERTIFICATION**

The forgoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth at its regular meeting called and held on the 26th day of February, 2002, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law

> MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk Plymouth Charter Township

> > L109731

Introduced February 12 2002 Adopted February 26, 2002 Effective upon Publication March 3, 2002 Publish March 3 2002

#### Success

■ After the frustration last night with the PDA, I was pleasantly surprised by the ease with which the data from my laptop was restored to the PDA It helped set a good attitude for the day I sent off an e-mail to confirm our housing for Saturday was looking for on the Internet

■ The Alumni office of PBU wanted a printed map of directions to our house for a Michigan chapter meeting in April Out came the portable printer and laptop

At dinner, the discussion of our tour last May came up We



#### 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

friends After a beautifully served dinner of lamb chops and trimmings, I kept checking the e-

mail and send a copy to our

#### **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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#### **CITY OF PLYMOUTH** NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan will accept sealed bids until 2 00 pm on Thursday March 21, 2002 for the following Portable Skate Ramp System Specifications and proposal forms can be obtained at the Office of the

Administrative Services Director during regular office hours

The City of Plymouth reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, in whole or in part and to waive any irregularities

CAROL A STONE Administrative Services Director

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#### PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for High School ADA Hardware and Installation. Specifications and bid forms will be available on March 11 2002 by phoning Laura Hagan of the PCCS Maintenance Department at (734) 416 2953 Sealed bids are due on or before 2 00 pm, Tuesday March 26, 2002 and should be addressed to Dan Phillips RE High School ADA Bid Plymouth Canton Community Schools, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170 The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district

> Board of Education Plymouth Canton Community Schools DARIN WATTS Secretary

**Bid Opening** Tuesday March 26 2002 @ 2 00 p m Resolution Due to Board Tuesday April 2 2002 Tuesday April 9 2002 Board Review Publish February 24 and March 3 2002

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#### PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE OF BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for Media Center Books, CD's, DVD's, Tapes, etc. for the new Plymouth High School in Canton, Michigan. Specifications and Bid Packets are available by contacting Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416 2746 Sealed proposals are due to the Plymouth Canton Community Schools, E J McClendon Building, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170, on or before 3 00 p m , Tuesday, March 25, 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

Tuesday March 25, 2002 @3 00 pm Bid Opening Board Review Tues Publish March 3 and 10 2002 Tuesday, April 9, 2002

Publish February 28 and March 3 2002

#### New wheels

Seniors ride: Plymouth and Plymouth Township *jointly purchased a* new van to transport seniors to doctor appointments, shopping trips and senior activities The \$58,000 vehicle replaces a van that was purchased 10 years ago The two municipalities have teamed with the Plymouth Community United Way to pay for senior transportation costs.



# Budget from page A1

Herriman said the Plymouth Corps' expansion into Belleville Van Buren Township and Sumpter Township has taken a toll on the \$848,000 annual budget But, he's confident the Salvation Army's Southfield head quarters will give Plymouth the \$40,000 collected in the Belleville area's mail campaign to offset costs

"We have also asked the (Ply mouth Community) United Way for a one-time infusion of \$20,000 and a \$10,000 increase in our annual allocation," said Herriman The United Way currently gives the local Salvation Army \$46,000 annually, accord ing to Herriman

(The \$60,000) would take care

of 50 percent of the shortfall, and the other half would be feasible for us to do by cutting back on such things as overtime, property maintenance and vehicle operating costs," added Herriman "The Plymouth Corps has cut operating expenses without adversely impacting services Cutting programs and services will be considered if we don't fix the problem, but it will be a last resort "

The Plymouth Corps has also held off on hiring replacements for a community center director and a business manager to save on salaries

Steve Walters, former Plymouth city manager who is currently Belleville city manager and a member of the Plymouth group's finance committee, saidthere's enough fund balance to absorb much of the shortfall

"But that doesn't solve the problem, and you certainly can't do it again," he said "The problem of operating expenditures higher than revenues would still exist "

Hull, as well as the finance committee, believes this is a onetime problem

"This is one of the most financially stable corps that I've worked with," said Hull "We'll work through this "

Got an idea for a story? E-mail us at bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

#### Concern from page A1

Groth is correct in her belief that the bill's enactment, coupled with the federal financing, would mandate the selection of a single voting system for use throughout the state I believe Ms Groth 1s correct'

Stewart, who voted in favor of the bill when first introduced in the House, said he will vote "no" when the changes in the Senate version come back

"When the bill comes back to the House, if it goes against Ply mouth Township, I will vote 'no," Stewart said

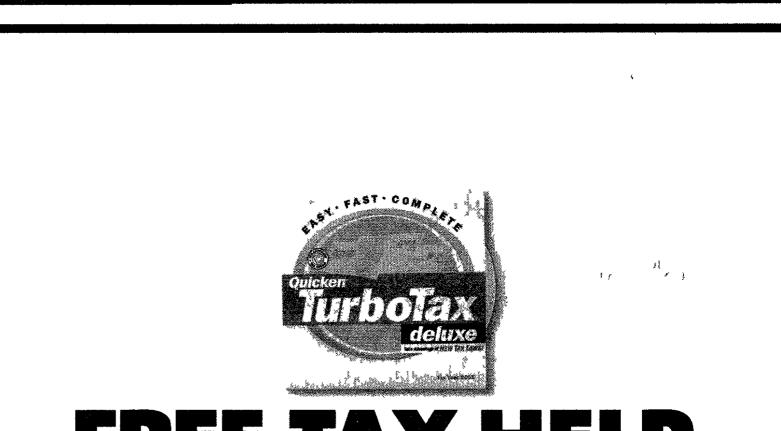
"It was originally represented to me that the bill did not specify a particular machine, but a

level of efficiency," he added "It was my belief the bill would require communities to have a state-of-the art machine that is efficient and reliable I don't want to over-react to the Florida voting problems Plus, I don t like the idea of surrendering all the control to the secretary of state

Stewart confirmed reports out of Lansing, including from Chris Thomas, director of elections, who told him the Opti-Scan machine is the one being considered

"Big Brother should not be mandating voting machines," said Stewart







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Doctors offer you heat and massage and advise rest occause the other remedies lack proof No logically developed study has shown that anything that you can buy in the marketplace does any better then heat massage and rest Nor is there any reason to believe that any other treatment could work

Aching muscles come form strain. At the basic level that injury translates into depletion of cell mitochondrial enzymes or disruption of actin and myosin filaments. No rubs can reach or repair these building blocks of muscle. No loading of carbohydrates or protein will allow repair any faster then what the body output batter protein the carbohydrates or protein will allow repair any faster then what the body s own natural rate permits

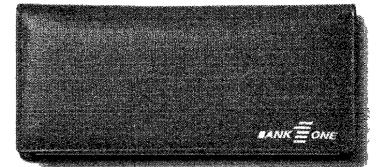
Heat and massage help because they bring in an additional blood supply Muscle rest is important because that allows the body to divert energy to the work repair

The American problem as doctors see it is our fasc nation with speed. We want a fast fix when the body calls for a slow return

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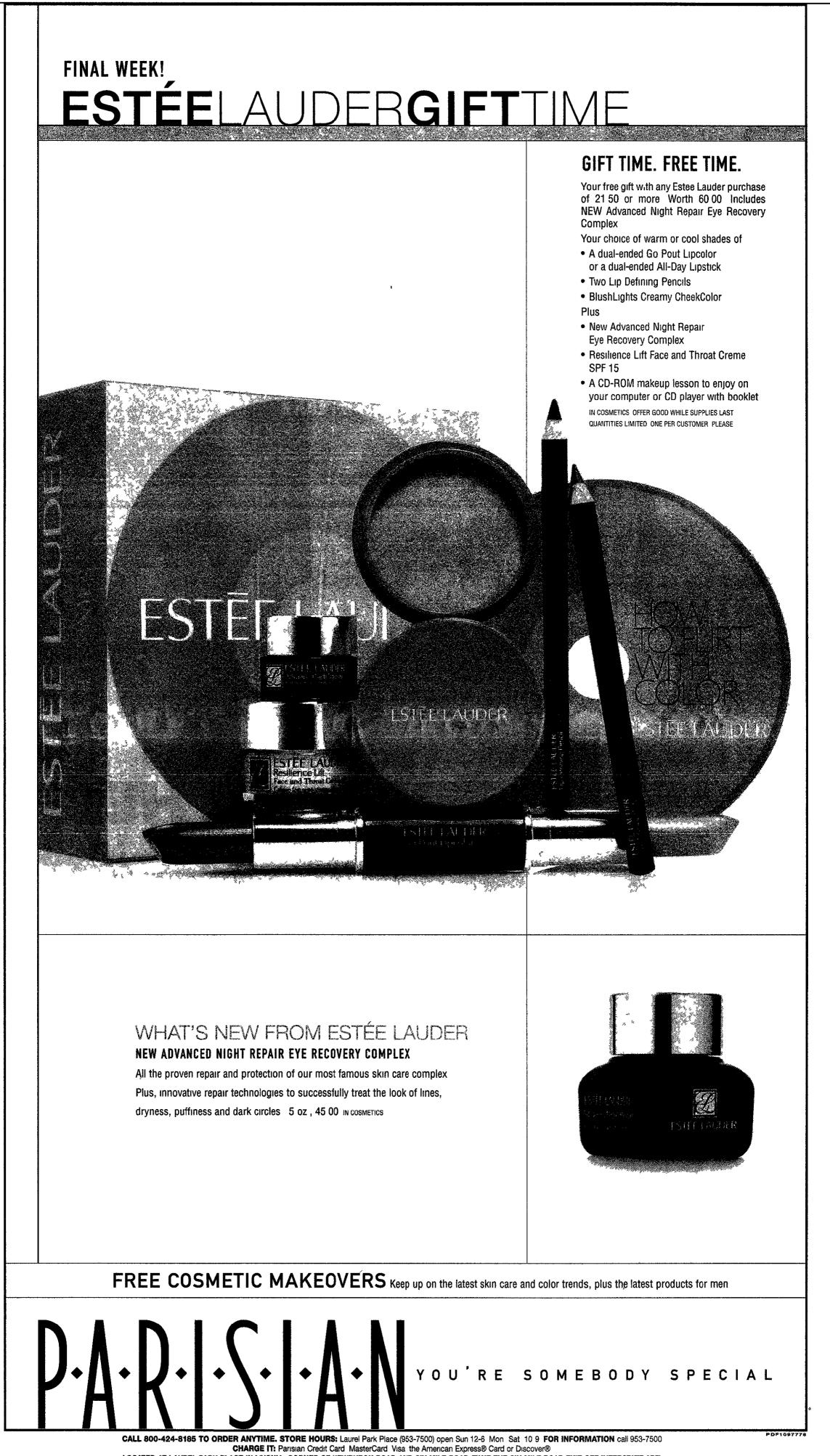


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# What's in a wine name?

n attempting to discover some new wines from Italy, you may have learned that they're not familiar names

You fondle a bottle in a wine shop and muse, "should I" or "shouldn't I" take a chance?

Dilemma solved Look on the back label for the name Marc de Grazia Selections If you find it then consid er, do you like wines of elegance rather than clout? If you answer "elegance," buy the wine

In 1980, the now 49-year-old, American-born Marco di Grazia, had earned a bachelor's degree in the classics, from the University of California Berkeley and returned to his home in Florence, Italy His university years in the U S taught him that in the late 1970s, there were few very good Italian wines available in the states

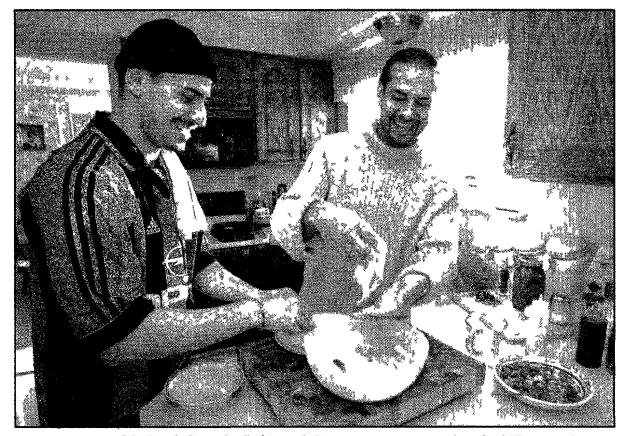
He recalled fondly that he made his first wine when he was 16 years old There was only one career course He began to work with, at that time relatively unknown, small wine estates in the Piedmont and Tuscany and to sell the wines in both Europe and the US

At the same time, di Grazia picked the brains of top Burgundy winemak ers to learn more about making flavorful wines with finesse and ele gance He shared what he learned with the producers with whom he worked

At first, di Grazia did not meet with a lot of success He hung in there In 1989 wine critics heralded the release of the 1985 Barolos from the Pied mont About the same time, fine Italian cuisine began to be recognized globally Americans began their love affair with pasta and other Italian dishes Top Italian restaurants clam ored for elegant wines to match menu selections It came together for di Grazia and it has only accelerated

Marco di Grazia conducted a world tour with many of his producers recently One stop was the Kingsley





**Comfort food:** Michael Gentile (left) and Giovanni mix up a bowl of "Pasta al Vento," slightly sweet pasta pasties that make for a quick breakfast or snack.

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER rskoglund@oe.homecomm.net

If ingredients were words, they would spell "amore" for the Gentile family of Livonia Walk into the Gentiles" bright, sunny kitchen and you feel love bubbling from a pot of Ovo Rutto L'Agua, Italian for "egg soup," or emanating from a pan of Scacciata, a Sicilian stuffed bread, baking in the oven

While love of good food started with Giuseppe and Nora Piruzza, Francesca Gentile's parents, who immigrated to Canada from Sicily decades ago, it continues through Francesca's two sons, Giovanni, 29, and Michael, 27

"I cook because I have to, but they do it because they love it, my husband, Fabio, and the boys," neighborhood off Erie Street in Windsor, where their grandparents still live They recalled the delicious soups, stews and sauces their grandmother made from the vegetables Giuseppe brought in from his garden

They wanted to transform her "pinches" and "palmfuls" into recipes that would become a family legacy And they wanted an excuse to spend more time with their aging grandparents

Soon they were spending every Saturday morning in Windsor "We'd start at 9 a m<sup>-</sup> with the prepping and

be ready for lunch We brought a camera and someone would describe what my grandma was doing I even wore a chef's jacket She'd show me what to do and I'd do Grandsons spend a year creating cookbook of grandmother's recipes

Sunday, March 3, 2002

Hotel in Bloomfield Hills where we were able to taste Marc di Grazia Selections All wines are available and our top recommendations can be found in the Wine Picks box If the wine shop you frequent does not have them, ask a salesperson to order them for you from the distributor Elite Brands

#### **Italy's Piedmont**

This region is renowned for its robust and complex red wines Listed in order of increasing body and rich ness, they include gattinara, barbaresco and barolo, made from the nebbiolo grape

Barbera, particularly that grown near the city of Alba is a fun, all-pur pose wine, meant to be enjoyed young Its slight tang is particularly intriguing

Although the most recent Piedmont releases of Elio Altare wines will not be available until later this year, they are worthy of notice Altare, the first Barolo producer to work with Marco di Grazia, recently won an out-ofcourt settlement, rumored at \$500,000, in his suit against a cork producer he charged with ruining his prized wines with poor quality corks

#### Please see FOCUS, B3

#### Wine Picks

From Marc di Grazia Selection Italian wines, we highly recommend

Barbera d'Alba: 1998 Cavallotto Bricco Boschis Cuculo \$19 and 1998 Paulo Scavino Carati \$37 (bigger and more intense)

Barbaresco: 1998 Moccagatta Bric Balin \$62

Barolo: 1997 Cavallotto Bricco Boschus \$44

Chianti Classico: 1999 Le Cinciole \$18 and 1998 II Palazzino Grosso Sanese \$36 (big and powerful, yet (inishing with finesse).

Carmignano: 1998 Ambra "Riserva le Vigne Alte" \$30

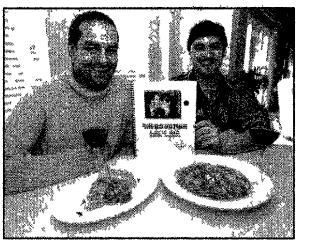
Vino Nobile de Montepulciano: 1998 De: \$22 and 1998 Della Seta \$20

Brunello di Montepulciano: 1996 Pertimali \$53

Super Tuscan: 1999 Clacci Piccolomini Ateo \$31

100 percent sanglovese: 1998 San Guisto Percarlo \$50 is a gutsy mouthful says Francesca

Last year, Giovanni and Michael decided to create a cookbook of their grandmother's recipes They remembered the summers of their childhood spent with their grandparents in the old Italian



**Team work:** Giovanni Gentile (left) and his brother, Michael, spent a year of Saturday mornings cooking with their grandmother The results recetta della casa d'amore, a testimony to love of family and cooking. the presentation," says Giovanni

The result was ricetta della casa d'amore, the recipes and traditions of giuseppe & nora piruzza It is a delightfully written and colorful cookbook, full of family pictures and anecdotes, Giuseppe's tips on gardening and wine-making, and, of course, lots of Nora's beloved recipes

#### Pasta competitions

While this reporter enjoys a glass of wine at the Gentiles' kitchen table, Giovanni adds vegetables to the Ovo Rutto L'Agua simmering on the stove, and Michael pats out the dough for his Scacciata Both recipes are surprisingly simple, and the aromas are wonderful

"Whatever we have in the fridge we invite into the pan," says Francesca from the sideline

Please see **GENTILE**, B2





**Love on the stove top:** A pot of Ovo Rutto l'Agua simmers away as Giovanni sautes a pan of pasta pasties. Drop an egg into the soup and you have a complete meal.

"PASTA AL VENTO (QUICK PASTA PATTIES)	Ŕ
1/2 pound vermicelli	-49.44
1 1/2 tablespoons salt	وعر
4 tablespoons oil	
2 eggs	
1 pound Ricotta cheese	
3-4 tablespoons sugar	
In a medium-sized pot bring 3-4 cups of water to a boil Break vermicelli in half and add to boiling water with 1 tablespoon oil and 1 1/2 tablespoons salt Cook until tender. In a separate bowl, beat 2 eggs for one minute Drain pasta and add to the eggs Nex	t,
add ricotta and sugar, making sure all ingredients are thorough mixed. Adjust seasoning to taste. Mixture should be slightly	y
sweet. Shape the mixture into 3-inch round pattles	

Heat 2-3 tablespoons oil in a medium-sized pan Fry patties on both sides until golden brown. Recipe yields approximately 32 patties

Recipe compliments of Nora Piruzza.

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# Gentile from page B1

Michael layers half the Scacciata with sliced potatoes, onion, black ohves and Italian sausage then folds over the dough and crimps it shut There are two things, that make the dough per-Warm hands and cake fect yeast

"If you don't have warm hands, run them under warm water before kneading your dough," he says As for the yeast "My grandmother uses the cake Those recipes come out a lot airier, and they don't have that yeasty flavor

Giovanni cracks an egg into the soup, then ladles some into a bowl when the yolk is still a bit soft It's delicious, redolent with vegetables and made hardy by the egg In other words, it's a perfect meal

"This is something you can leave on the stove If people come in and want an egg, you can just bring the soup back up to a boil and drop in the egg," he says

The Gentile brothers love to show off their culinary skills Michael, a professional soccer player for the Minnesota Thunder, especially enjoys cooking for company

"I love the joy of creating and replicating recipes I enjoy watching people eating them troversy There was a later cate



Family time: seated · Nora Piruzza (holding cookbook), Nori Bonura (granddaughter), Giuseppe Piruzza, standing Michael and Giovanni Gentile (grandsons), Jennifer Gentile, Peter Bonura (grandson). Michael and Cathy Bekic (granddaughter, holding great-grandson Michael).

and realizing how good I am," he says with a touch of bravado

It's tradition in the Gentile family to hold cooking competitions on Sundays to determine who makes the best pasta. lasagna, pizza or whatever dish is chosen for that day Giovanni won the recent pasta contest

"Michael and my dad tied," he says "But there was a little congory, pasta utilization. how well you use the pasta I made bowls out of the pasta Michael was mad because I had won the pizza competition the month before '

Michael laughs His time will come It's all a matter of being together as a family Giovanni, a part-time musician with his own band, said the family is so "tight," that, for him, there would be no choice between



attending a rock concert or a family cooking contest - "I'd do the contest"

#### Fresh, fresh, fresh

Giuseppe Piruzza, the son of a farmer, was forced to take a job in the auto industry to support his family after he immigrated to Canada However, his heart was in the soil, and soon the bounty from his small backvard garden became legendary Nora's canned tomatoes tasted of sunshine, even in the winter

Like their grandparents, the Gentile brothers, both of whom have worked in restaurants, use only the freshest of ingredients The tomatoes and even the olives they use are home-canned They also make their own lemon ice — a delightfully tart palate cleanser- with fresh lemon juice, sugar and lemon rind

Another food Giovanni and Michael like to serve in between courses is chilled fennel, which they slice and dress with olive oil, vinegar, salt and pepper It has a natural peppery taste calmed down by the olive oil I've never tasted fennel before, but I'm a convert

Surprisingly, Giovanni and Michael are less fussy when it comes to olive oil Ordinary or virgin olive oil is fine for sautéeing, they say However, their father is more particular

"My husband uses the extra virgin exclusively," says Francesca " In Sicily, we made our own My grandfather had his own presses

Giovanni and Michael gave their grandparents the cookbook this past Christmas

"She just cried," savs Francesca about her mother's reaction "Everyday they just rave about it My dad has home care, and everybody that comes over, he brings out that book "

Giovanni and Michael have put together enough cookbooks for family members It's been an expensive project, and they're looking for a publisher But for now, they're pleased they have preserved Giuseppe's and Nora Pıruzza's legacy for generations to come

As they say in the Piruzza and Gentile households, "Buon appetito"

# Cookbook offers comfort food, Sicilian style

#### **SCACCIATA** (SICILIAN STUFFED BREAD)

3 cups flour sifted Pinch of salt

- 3/4 oz cake yeast 1 cup warm water
- 1/2 egg beaten
- 1/8 cup vegetable oil
- (may use olive oil) 1 large potato peeled and
- sliced
- 1 large onion peeled and sliced
- 1/2 cup black olives halved (optional)
- 1/2 cup uncooked Italian sausage (optional) Grated Romano cheese Salt and pepper
- Vegetable oil (may use olive oil)

Mix yeast until dissolved into 1/2 cup warm water, and then add salt Sift flour into a large bowl Make well in center of flour and add oil and egg Beat egg and oil with fork within the well until combined Add yeast mixture Combine ingredients using a fork, then slowly incor porate the flour by using circu lar motions with the fork, moving outward until dough begins to forms Add 1/4 to 1/2 cup warm water to incorporate the rest of the flour Place dough on lightly floured board and knead about 4.5 minutes Cover and let rest about 10 minutes

Preheat over to 400 degrees Knead dough a second time, 3-4 minutes, and let rise again for about 10 minutes Stretch dough to desired width, let sit and stretch again (approxi mately 14 x 14 inches)Drizzle oil over half the dough and add the Italian sausage (removed from casing and chopped) Cover half the dough with pota toes, leaving about 1/4 inch at the edges Sprinkle with salt Add the olives, then the onions and again sprinkle with salt, pepper and Romano cheese Drizzle with oil Fold over the other half of dough and crimp

edges together, leaving corners open Flatten with hands and reseal Drizzle top with oil and sprinkle with salt and Romano cheese

Bake 20-25 minutes and enjoy Recipe can be divided into two small dough balls

Recipe compliments of Nora Piruzza

#### OVO RUTTO L'AGUA (EGG SOUP)

- 4 1/2 cups chicken stock
- 2 cloves garlic sliced fine
- 1/2 cup Italian flat pars
- lev 1 medium sized onion chopped
- 1/3 cup fresh jarred toma toes chopped
- 2 tablespoons olive oil 4 medium potatoes
- peeled and diced Eggs as many as desired Salt to taste

In a large pot bring 4 1/2cups of chicken stock to a boil Reduce heat to medium-low and continue to simmer

In a separate pot, heat olive oil 2-3 minutes Saute garlic, parsley and onion on medium heat 5 6 minutes or until onions begin to caramelize Add the tomatoes and continue to sauté another 5 minutes Add the chicken broth and bring to a boil Add the diced potatoes Cook an additional 8-10 minutes

The delectable soup is now ready for the main ingredient, eggs! Crack eggs directly into the soup (as many as desired) and cook them approximately 5 6 minutes (cook longer for a more hard boiled egg) Serve at once with some fresh Italian or French bread Buon Appetito' Serves 4

(Use 1 medium potato per person Use 1 cup chicken stock per person plus 1/2-1 cup extra as stock will reduce slightly when cooking )

Recipe compliments of Nora Pıruzza



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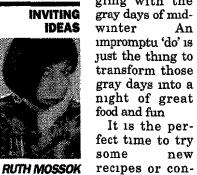


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# Bring light to gray days with an indoor picnic

BY RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON SPECIAL WRITER

No invitations needed - just call up some friends who are struggling with the



transform those gray days into a night of great food and fun It is the perfect time to try some new recipes or con-JOHNSON

centrate on pre-

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septation Pull out some interesting and unusual serving pieces Use baskets, tins, Auntie Violet's china and platters, or choose an ethnic theme Why not get really crazy and host an indoor picnic? It can be fanciful, luxurious or simple

My indoor picnic would be done in an Asian motif - clay teapots for all invited guests, interesting chopsticks laying in waiting on some crafted chopstick rests, porcelain rice bowls, and my dinning room table covered in Chinese red paper with bamboo mats Stacked Marinated Grilled Quail, a little plum wine, and a dramatic centerpiece tower of other Asian goodies - I feel better already

Here are some ideas

**DELI TOWERS** 

Create unusual centerpieces that are actually your whole meal Begin with a round or oval platter and cover it with assorted colored kale or mixed greens Place large scoops of chicken (or turkey) salad. ham salad, and shrimp salad, separating the different salads with leaves of your chosen greenery

Top that layer with sliced meats (rare roast beef, pastrami, ham, corned beef, and or turkey, again separating with greens Top that layer with spears of pickle (halfsours and dills), carrot sticks, celerv sticks and slices of crispy jicama - use picked veggies if desired Don't forget an assortment of olives Continue building your tower as high as you choose adding deli favorites Top with some decorative curly green onion flowers (check out any garnishing book) to look like a bouquet

#### SOUTH OF THE BORDER TOWERS

Use the same concept with Mex ican favorites - scoops of bean dip (or refried beans), guacamole, salsa, chive and jalapeno flavored sour cream, homemade or prepared tamales, corn chips and taco-flavored rice

#### **ASIAN TEMPLES**

You're getting the idea – use your favorite Asian goodies to create towers - be area specific or go Pacific Rim Try Vietnamese rice paper rolls, egg rolls, fried or steamed won tons, a dim sum assortment, variety of fried rice, mini egg foo young patties, Yakatori skewered meats, etc

If you're not a pork lover use any meat you are fond of, chicken or swordfish are also fabulous adjust cooking time accordingly Serve with some simple steamy white rice and a side of soy sauce

#### MARINATED GRILLED QUAIL

You need only 10 minutes of cooking time for these mini birds Remove quail from package (defrost if necessary) Once thawed, cut quail in half with kitchen shears, rinse and pat dry Place quail in a non-reactive container and pour Ponzu sauce (found at many Asian Markets or at Merchant Fine Wine in Dearborn) or citrus infused light soy sauce (add some citrus zest to your favorite soy) and grate some fresh peeled ginger root (I use about a 3 inch piece for 12 quail) and a splash of rice wine (optional)

Cover the container with plastic wrap and let marinate for one half hour at room temperature, place

in refrigerator for at least 4 hours

Grill over a prepared grill (sprayed with Pam) on medium high heat for about 5 or 6 minutes on each side (or longer if you want them more well done)

Serve with a side of homemade or prepared wontons and some steamed Edamame (soy beans)

Quail can be found at Capital poultry in Detroit at the Eastern Market (1466 Fisher Freeway) call to make sure they have them in stock before heading down there - (313) 567 8200

#### ASIAN MARINATED PORK **TENDERLOIN WITH RED ONIONS** AND FRESH PINEAPPLE

Yield 4 servings

- 1 1/2 pounds pork tenderloin cut into 16 equal pieces that are well trimmed 1 red onion cut into 16 equal
- pieces 16 pieces of fresh (not overly ripe) pineapple, trimmed 8 (8-inch) bamboo skewers
- soaked in water for 30 minutes or overnight 1/3 cup light olive oil 1/4 cup dry red table wine

3 tablespoons rice wine vinegar

3 tablespoons Thick and

- Sweet Soy Sauce (House of Tsang – if you cant find it use regular soy sauce, add molasses, bit of citrus zest and sugar to sweeten and thicken)
- 2 tablespoons garlic, peeled and minced
- 2 tablespoons fresh ginger root peeled and minced
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Thread two pieces of pork, two pieces of onion, and two pieces of pineapple alternately on each bamboo skewer Arrange kebabs in a low baking dish

In a bowl, whisk together all remaining ingredients, and pour

marinade over the kabobs Let marinate, covered with plastic wrap for 4 hours in the refrigerator

Remove the kebabs from the marinade Strain the marinade through a fine sieve, and place hquid into small saucepan Place the kebabs on a prepared grill or grill pan – set at medium high heat, while cooking, heat the marinade to boiling and brush over the kebabs as they are cooking (approximately 12 minutes or until pork is totally cooked through) Serve with cooked steamy white or sticky rice

Ruth Mossok Johnston lives in Franklin Village and writes about food and entertaining for the Observer & Eccentric News papers



# *Invite friends over for* a hearty lentil stew

AP - Food with honest flavor that's robust enough to thaw winter's chill, but still simple and not totaling up a huge fat count Take another look at some old favorites, and those desirable characteristics can emerge

Lentil stew with ham and greens is an example, in a version that has just over 8 grams of fat per serving, and can be cooked in one pot in less than 1 hour

The recipe is among several in Cooking Light magazine's January-February issue, in a feature offering "sustenance for the sea son " All these dishes require, Ken Haedrich writes, are "good ingre dients, a sharp knife, a solid pan Oh, and, if you're lucky, he adds, "the company of family and good friends

#### LENTIL STEW WITH HAM AND GREENS

3 cups chopped Swiss chard, collard greens or spinach 1 1/2 cups chopped baking

potato 1 cup chopped smoked ham 14 1/2 ounce can diced toma

toes drained 1 teaspoon dried basil 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme 1/2 teaspoon black pepper 3 tablespoons chopped fresh parslev

Heat oil in a Dutch oven over medium high heat Add onion and garlic, saute 5 minutes Add broth lentils, carrot and bay leaves, bring to a boil

Partially cover reduce heat, and simmer 20 minutes Add Swiss chard, potato and ham, bring to a boil Reduce heat, simmer 15 min utes or until potato is tender Stir in tomatoes, basil, thyme and pepper,



1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil 1 cup chopped onion 3 garlic cloves minced 5 cups fat free less sodium chicken broth 1 cup dried lentils 1/2 cup chopped carrot 2 bay leaves

simmer 10 minutes Discard bay leaves Sprinkle with parsley Makes 5 servings (serving size

about 1 1/2 cups) Nutrition information per

serving: 320 cal, 86 g total fat (2 g saturated fat), 20 4 g pro , 41 7 g carbo ,

12 mg chol, 943 mg sodium

# FOCUS from page B1

Paolo Scavino is another name to remember His stunning 1998 and 1999 Barolos will be available later this year In the meantime, enjoy his fun 2000 Rosso da Tavola \$14 with your next pizza

Italy's Tuscany region

Sangiovese grapes find multiple

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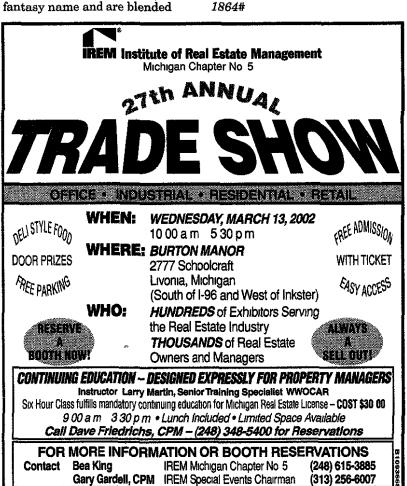
artistry extends to Brunello di

tepulciano and Carmignano

#### cabernet sauvignon Wines called Rosso di Montalcino or Rosso di Montepulciano are made from young vines They are fresh, lighter in style and very drinkable To get a handle on the "rosso" style, try 2000 Dei Rosso di Montepulciano \$12

with French varieties such as

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just snapshots FOCUS ON In short, you're PHOTOGRAPHY just not close enough

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between 85mm and 200mm will work just fine Not only will you fill the frame with a telephoto lens, but telephotos naturally reduce depthof-field so that backgrounds will most likely result in a pleasing blur

A zoom point and shoot camera will work, too Just be sure to use the full zoom mode

Don't attempt close portraits with a normal or wide angle lens You'll have to get uncomfortably too close to your subject and, because of the lens' short focal length, you'll get unflattering distortion in the resulting shots

Wandering through Lathisi, Greece, I chanced upon a Greek Orthodox priest very willing to have his portrait taken

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- Home Medics can no longer manufacture magnetic insoles for shoes For magnetic insoles, visit Nikken Wellness on the

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Internet at www NIKKEN com (go to products)

- Ghiradelli baking powder can be bought at the Plymouth Market Place, Ann Arbor and Lilley roads in Plymouth

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Someone to restring a wide pleated shade for Maxine of West Bloomfield?

- A store that sells an under

the-counter (space saver), fourslice toaster for Marie? - A store that sells fabric with

hummingbirds on the material? Someone who can dye furniture. or a store where the dye

may be bought, for Patricia? - A store that sells a Kermit the Frog stuffed animal for Sally

of Farmington? A store that sells a baseball cap form for caps in a washing

machine for Cary of Troy? - A store that sells a port-acrib mattress (24 by 38 inches)

for Betty of Plymouth? - A store that sells caffeine-

free diet Dr Pepper for Jan of Westland?

 A store that sells small glass wind chimes for Marilyn of Southfield?

- A store that sells a peanut and chocolate swirl cake mix for Rodney of Plymouth?

- A store that sells **nail polish** to stop nail biting for Kathy? - A store that sells a rack for

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a dry shampoo, for Beverly of Livonia?

- Compiled by Sandi Jarackas

#### SHOPPING BRIEFS

PROM PARTY WEEKEND Jacobson's Ms J Prom Party Weekend Saturday-Sunday, March 9-10, has everything a young woman needs to make her prom night special, from hair and makeup tips (including a deluxe beauty sample with a Clinique consultation) to a runway show featuring the latest prom styles

A fashion show will take place noon Saturday, March 9, at the Livonia store, 37500 Six Mile

Jacobson's Web site, www jacobsons com, features a printable prom planner and a preview of Ms J prom dresses so guests may print pictures of their favorite styles to take with them to Jacobson's

■ SUNBURST PAGEANTS

Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt, will host the Sun burst USA beauty and baby pageants March 21 Entry forms are now available at the mall Entries are being accepted through the pageant date

Winners will represent their counties at the state pageant

The baby pageant is for boys and girls The age groups are baby, newborn to 1 year, tiny, 1 year, and little, 2 to 3 years A

king and queen will be chosen in each age group and receive a crown, trophy and banner, and the \$200 entry fee paid to the state pageant Runners-up in each age group will receive a tro phy

The beauty pageant is for girls ages 4 to 27 years The age groups are pee wee, 4 to 6 years httle miss, 7 to 10 years pre teen, 11 to 13 years, teen, 14 to 17 years, and miss, 18 to 27 years A queen in each age group will receive a crown, trophy and banner, and the \$200 entry fee paid to the state pageant

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Entries will be displayed throughout the mall Winner« will be selected and notified March 30 Children 8 years of age and younger may enter Call (734) 522 4100 or visit www.woh derlandmall net

# Money Machine offers new way to give

The innovative, patent pend ing Money Machine cash dis penser from Michigan based Unique Novelties offers a new and novel way to give and receive money for graduations and other occasions

The Money Machine is a spe cially designed, slotted box perfect for inserting and dispensing any amount or combination of currency, coupons and gift cer tificates, linked together end to end using 3M's Scotch Brand Removable Tape, included with each purchase

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The Class of 2002 will receive 67 million graduation cards, with the typical high school and college graduate receiving between 75 and 17 cards, most with a monetary gift

Until now, the only way to give money has been to place it in an envelope, card or traditional money holder The Money Machine stands as a clever alternative

The Money Machine is available at Thrifty Florist, select Hallmark stores and better stationery stores and retails for \$4 95 Money-saving three-packs priced at \$9 95, which include three Money Machines and three

purchase on the Web at in the box Tape the pull tab to http //www themoneymachine bi z or by calling toll-free (800) 894-0384

The Money Machine is as much fun to give as it is to receive

"Pull the tab and watch the fun begin," said Dale Wells, Money Machine inventor "Just watch the recipient's eyes light up when you hand them a Money Machine and they proceed to pull out bill after bill<sup>†</sup>

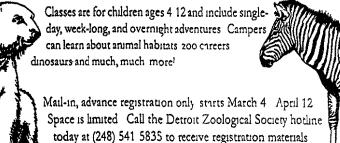
The Money Machine comes unassembled Simply fold the box together at the top and bottom Then tape the money together, end-to end Roll the

rolls of the tape, are available for bills up loosely and place them the first bill and thread it through the slot on the top

A successful real estate devel oper by trade, Wells formed Unique Novelties to satisfy the kid in him and help market his Money Machine

"Ten years ago or so when gift bags were introduced as an alternative to gift wrap, who would have thought they would become so widely used and accepted?" he said

"The Money Machine is no different My goal is to make the Money Machine the standard for giving money for all occasions!"



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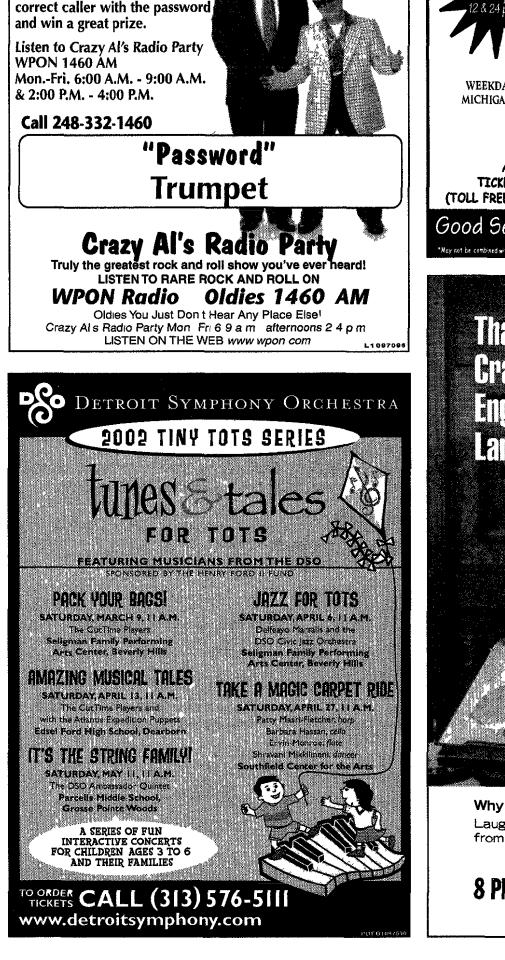
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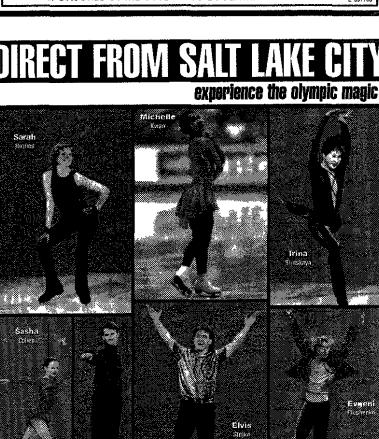
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#### TRAVEL

# You can be whatever you want in Venice, except boring<sup>\*</sup>

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER LMINI@OE.HOMECOMM NET

The bombardments of corporate-sponsored everything, trite advertising jingles and mainstream America, deadens my senses, but they're re-born whenever I visit Venice, California

There's a vibe in Venice Beach unlike any other city I've visited throughout the world I feel alive, and at home, when I walk the interesting streets there

Venice, of course is on the border of trendy Santa Monica just outside LA It's funky, racially and culturally diverse, brimming with creativity and not for the pristine The people who live here are affluent movie-makers and business owners, successful musicians, rich dot-commers and artists They blend house-by house with party store clerks, immigrant landscape workers, actor-wannabes, struggling musicians and surfers, aspiring artists and fashion designers, welfare recipients, college students and drug dealers

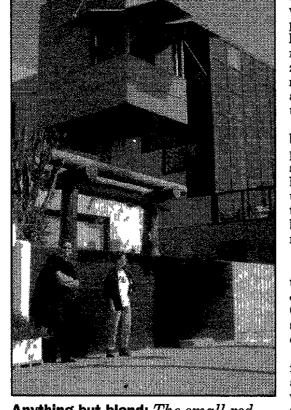
There are gritty and upscale elements of this tiny city – population less than 35,000 It's a city without pretense, where business-casual khaki Dockers, blue shirts and sensible shoes are refreshingly absent Residents here opt for creativity Casual doesn't mean without a tie, it means without pants Shorts or jogging suits are considered true casual clothes Here you can walk down the street any afternoon wearing a designer business suit, a tutu, wet suit, hot pants, evening dress or a sequined bathing suit

Here congruity isn't cool

Either creative people come to Venice or Venice breeds creativity – perhaps both Actor/ director John Cusak has an apartment and business studio in a pink stucco building at Sixth and Rose Avenue Nearby, Dennis Hopper lives in an unassuming gray house in an area known for gang activity Matt Groening of *The Simpsons* resides on the upscale Venice Canals Oliver Stone lives in a modest house No home in Venice is very big Singer/songwrit er/DJ/human rights activist Perry Farrell, frontman of Jane's Addiction, built an interest ingly small, blue house in a quieter area of the city

#### Great atmosphere

It's not cheap to own property in Venice A 1,000-square foot home averages \$350,000 with a backyard not even half the size Those who can't afford to own will rent small apartments or flats People come here and stay for the atmosphere and perfect weather The beach is always just minutes away LA's museums are just a 40 minute drive, and downtown Santa Monica is a mere 10-15 minutes from any point in the city – depending of course, on the time of



Anything but bland: The small red structure separated from the rest of this home, located on the beach of Venice, makes for a great artists' studio and is an example of the interesting ideas that seem to burst out of this city.

day Venice's main roads like Lincoln Avenue are horrible at rush hour, but not nearly as bad as LA freeways Despite the traffic, and high costs of homes, I'm allured by Venice's freeing vibe

Where else can you find fire jugglers on the beach, Spanish guitar players, painters, psychics and belly dancers? The city's wonderful unofficial mascot is Harry Perry who dresses in all white Eastern-style clothing, tucks his dreadlocks under a turban, travels on in-line skates and simultaneously serenades visitors as he plays an electric guitar

Where else can you find a street artist whose tool is the sun? He burns images with its rays on small pieces of wood

Another artist creates new work out of sand on the beach each morning

Plus, there's probably no other city bold enough to commission a huge outdoor mural of rocker Jim Morrison

#### **Everything is different**

In front of the multi-million dollar Venice homes are interesting landscapes that replace boring grass lawns that require too much watering and upkeep In the alleys of these posh homes is the sadder side of the city The homeless There's a high homeless population in Santa Monica and Venice and many organizations here try to help The soup kitchens, nestled right in the affluent community, are always packed Actor Martin Sheen often volunteers at the kitchen on Rose Avenue

What's amazing about Venice is the dynamic between the rich and poor When a homeless person makes a home on the side of an expensive house, the police aren't usually called The homeowner is more likely to use tolerance and understanding than the numbers 9-1-1 on a telephone to deal with a vagrant Sometimes a blanket or pillow is given This city has a communal feeling

Still Venice isn't innocent

There's gang violence, drugs and prostitution Crime on the beach at dusk still occurs Just weeks ago a teenager was shot near Cusak's office The crime rate varies from one street to the next Just be cautious like in any city

In the evenings, most people head indoors for fun restaurants like 5 Dudley which is popular among thirtysomethings Or locals and tourists visit one of the many corner authentic Mexican restaurants or the laid-back Fire House grill Or they drive up Santa Monica Blvd for the safe Santa Monica Promenade where tourists can walk outside late at night It's crowded with fashionable restaurants, lounges, coffeehouses and shops For more wilder nights, the club atmosphere of legendary Sunset Avenue is, of course, just a short drive away

Venice doesn't lie It has it's good and ugly side It's rich side and poor side

In the daytime, it's a walking community where every house is just minutes from the ocean and trendy boutiques. It's friendly My friends who live there say Venice is a place for people who want to check-out of mainstream America

It's a city where nothing is average or drab Homes are painted pastel colors Working out is preferred over watching television Boutiques are wild Clothing is either super casual or sophisticated with little styles in-between Pretension and closed-minds aren't welcome, but new ideas are embraced There's passion for the ocean Passion for the community, for unique homes, for quality healthy cuisine, good health, art, music, book, movies, conversation, dance and liberalism There's a burning pas sion for self-exploration

You can be whatever you want in Venice Just don't be a bore

#### If you're going to Southern Callfornia

Where to stay: Venice Beach Hostel close to the beach at 1515 Pacific Avenue Private rooms \$45 shared rooms \$10 call (310) 452 3052 For those not looking to rough it try the Holiday Inn Santa Monica located on the beach 120 Colorado \$150 per room call 1 (800) HOLIDAY

Expect the unexpected: Among the alleys of million dollar homes funky beaches and outside even the poshest boutiques and restaurants is Southern California's high home less population — from teenage runaways to senior citizens It's a problem that residents don t ignore compassion is prevalent here. Many soup kitchens and other organiza tions aimed at helping the home less are located in both Santa Moni ca and Venice Residents of both cities pride themselves on toler ance and volunteerism and they expect visitors to do the same Gang activity exists in Venice so be cautious during the evenings and use the same common sense that s needed in any big city. Avoid the beach at night

What to bring: An open mind relaxed attitude and appreciation for creativity Also bring sunscreen sunglasses and lots of single dollar bills if you re going to photograph the artists and street performers on the Venice Boardwalk do the right thing — leave a tip

What to leave behind: A preten tious attitude and business attire What to pack. Attire in Venice and Santa Monica is casual and beach wear is common Keep the corporate logo t shirts at home and opt for the unique — or go dressy because everything is accepted in Venice

Weather: It s almost always com fortable Early mornings are cloudy in the low 50s Mid 60s and sunny by late morning Mid 70s or 80s by afternoon Evenings near the beach get chillier with high 50s to low 60s in the evenings — always carry a casual jacket

Where to eat: Fig Tree on the beach at Ocean Bivd in Venice for breakfast lunch or dinner After a day of shopping at the Promenade In Santa Monica try Real Food Daily for interesting vegan California cui sine — but expect a wait at this trendy restaurant during dinner La Cabana on Rose at Lincoln in Venice is open late and serves authentic Mexican fare

Where to socialize: The Circle Bar in Venice is a casual watering hole where celebs are known to go for a laid back atmosphere located on Main in Santa Monica at the Venice border A little more posh is Framosa Cafe in Hollywood Rich in movie history Framosa has been a celebrity hang out since the 1950s \*

Best local Coffeehouse. Gourmet Coffeehouse on Rose Avenue is a refreshing break from the cookie cutter mega coffee chains An eclectic and creative clientele and atmosphere Carry out coffee only Try the tofu muffins The second GCW this one right off the beach is cafe style

Where to shop: Interesting inde pendent and designer boutiques like Betsey Johnson dot Main Street and Abott Kinney in Venice/Santa Monica For a full day of shopping Melrose Avenue about 30 minutes from Santa Monica is a must

Sightseeing: As far as architec ture Venice is more interesting than trendy Santa Monica In 1905 Abott \* Kinney built the Venice canals that are a must see During the day on the weekends the Venice Board walk turns into a surreal festival with street performers like fire jug glers singers and belly dancers Artists set up their paintings wood burnings and poetry for sale Politi cal vendors from feminists to pro marijuana to animal rights activists offer literature Poets read their writings aloud On weekends look for Venice s own beloved Harry Perry in line skating down the boardwalk with his electric guitar and dreadlocks tucked into his tur ban Harry will play a song for you and stop for a photo but remember to tip During the evening have fun at the amusement park at the Santa Monica Pier For more cultur al events visit the Los Angeles County Museum about 30 minutes from Venice/Santa Monica or the Getty Museum about 50 minutes away

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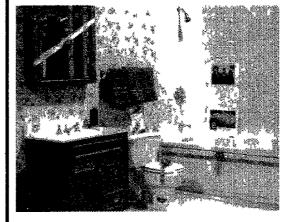
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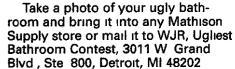
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# VideoHound's guide to Cult Flicks is a true hit.

#### BY GREG KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER gkowalski@oe homecomm net

"The equation is simple Fewer cult films = more death '

Those words of wisdom were expressed by cult movie star Bruce Campbell (who took a real beating in The Evil Dead, among others) in the introduction of the new edition of VideoHound's Cult Flicks & Trash Pics

Those who appreciate the artistry of weird and bad really bad - movies will delight in this bigger, better edition of what has become a staple reference for fans of the strange

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weird movies, VideoHound is a glorious and grotesque mix of reviews, snippets of dialogue and personal profiles of some of the strangest people who have ever sat on either side of a movie camera

VideoHound isn't quite as depraved as John McCarty's bloody guides to splatter movies Some of the films reviewed in VideoHound border on main stream, such as Tim Burton's wonderful profile Ed Wood and Robert Vaughn's shining moment in Teenage Caveman But it's really on the other side

of the line of sanity that Video-Hound sparkles You won't find Manos, the Hands of Fate in any of Leonard Maltin's video guides

Spanish word for hands So the title actually is Hands, the Hands of Fate Details Details) VideoHound praises it for "horrible acting, non-existent direction, dim lighting and laughable special effects "

High praise, indeed, in the world of bad movie making There are limits, of course Ants, Joan Collins' miserable outing with oversized insects, is so awful that even VideoHound draws the line "There's a limit to how many itsy-bitsy invaders movies we can watch," the Hound notes

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#### **All-WLAA hoop**

The Western Lakes Activities Association named its all-WLAA basketball team, and both Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton were represented

On the all-conference squad, Salem's David Hoskins, a 6-foot-4 junior forward, and Canton's Andrew Meagrow, a 6-6 senior forward, were selected Both players led their teams in scoring Also named to the all-conference squad were Dave Zeitlin, a senior from Walled Lake Western. Mike Leach, a senior from North Farmington, Darnell Wilson, a junior from Westland John Glenn, and Lindon Ivezaj, a senior from Livonia Stevenson

Selected to the all-Western Division team was Canton's Billy Gazsi, a 6-0 senior guard With him were Adam Konst, a junior from Northville. Thomas Knapp, a senior from Northville, Bryan Verdun and Chris Eagle, both seniors from Western, Matt Elsey and Joe McElroy, both seniors from Farmington Harrison, and Shaun Foster, a senior from Livonia Churchill

Named to the all-Lakes Division squad was 6-4 Salem forward Pat Abraham, a senior, together with Marcus McComb, a junior from North, Brandon Cassise, a sophomore from Walled Lake Central, Matt Bartnick, a senior from Stevenson, Darnell Smith, a junior from John Glenn, and Ryan Kosinski, a senior from Farmington

#### **Hockey boosters**

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools Hockey Booster Club will be at 7 pm Monday, March 4 at the Plymouth Cultural Center For more information, call Mary Maurer at (734) 254-9234

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

# **Rocks capture district title**

#### BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.homecomm net

The climax sometimes comes early It did at the Class A district volleyball tournament Friday at South Lyon Two teams that have taken turns beating each other up this season - Plymouth Salem and Livonia Churchill did run into each other, but not in the final

In the semifinal And in a three-set match that deserved a "classic" label, the Rocks prevailed, 15-13, 15-17, 15-5

It was an emotional win, considering how the Chargers stunned Salem in the Western Lakes Activities Association championship match the previous Saturday, 15-0, 15-7 Almost too emotional The Rocks still had a match to play to win the district, against the host Lions

After a quick start (a 15-2 openinggame win), the inevitable letdown came in the second game, with South Lyon taking an 8-1 lead before Salem recovered and eked out a 15-13 win

The district title gave the Rocks a 44-5-2 record and a berth in the regional hosted by Livonia Ladywood Saturday They'll go up against the winner of the Ypsilanti district in the regional semifinal at 10 a m

Churchill, which defeated Northville 15-3, 15-1 in its district opener Friday, concluded its season at 35-12 South Lyon, which bounced Plymouth Canton in the other district semifinal 15-7, 15-7, finished with a 21-20-5 record

Without doubt, the key match in the tournament was Churchill-vs -Salem It was the third time this season the two teams had clashed, Salem winning the first easily and Churchill returning the favor in the WLAA final Adjustments after each meeting, by both coaches, were constant

"We went to a two-setter system, a 4-2, which I guess is kind of old-fashioned," said Salem coach Tom Teeters "That could have been one of the keys (in the victory) But our serve receive was so much better '

Games are usually decided by runs In the first game Salem's longest run was five points, going from a 3-3 dead lock to an 8-3 cushion Churchill never regained the lead

In Game No 2, it was the Chargers

who got out of the gate fast, building a 7-1 advantage The outcome seemed certain when Heather Munn and Sarah Phillips combined to block a Salem kill attempt, giving Churchill a 14-8 lead

What happened next was the turning point in the match

Needing just one more point, the Chargers couldn't close it out With MaryLou Liebau serving, the Rocks scored five-straight points, Katie Good responsible for three of them with kills

It was 14-13 when Churchill regained the serve, but another Good kill prevented a victory Maggie Tudor followed by serving a pair of points for Salem and now it was the Rocks who were ahead, 15-14, and on the brink of clinching the match

It took two more services for the Chargers to regain some control and get a 17-15 win on a Salem hit out of bounds The games were even, the momentum was not

"You'd think we'd have the momentum after winning that game," said Churchill coach Mike Hughes "But sometimes those things happen, and you just don't know why

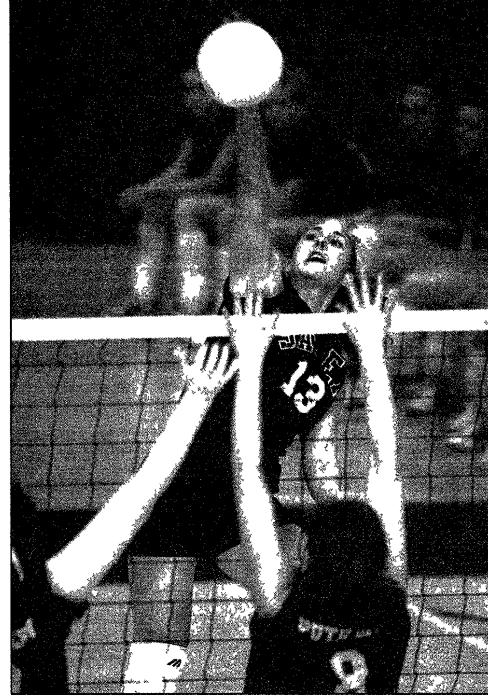
Substituting constantly, Hughes tried to stem the Salem tide, but couldn't It was the Rocks who benefitted from the closing rounds of Game 2, scoring the first 10 points of Game 3

"We just couldn't pass the ball well in that last game," said Hughes "And (Salem) did a really good job hitting the line against us We didn't expect that Usually they like to go cross-court (with their hits)

"That 13 (Good) hits everything all over the place "

In fact, it was apparent Teeters had streamlined his players' roles Good and Liebau did all the hitting, Liebau finishing with one of her best matches of the season 22 kills and a 429 kill percentage, as well as a team-best 14 digs and two blocks Good was nearly as effective, collecting 19 kills and eight digs

The rest of the team had five kills Kelly Jaskot, who shared the setting duties with Jordan Falcusan, had 17 set assists, 13 digs and four service aces, while Falcusan had 23 set assists and seven digs while excelling in a new role as well - on serve receive



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL What a smash! Katte Good was a pivotal force in Salem's district title run, totaling 31 kills in the two matches

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Churchill got 11 kills from Sheila the second game, and that really Beth Bushey

Gillies, 10 from Phillips and six from helped us out," said Teeters As for Liebau, he could only agree "That was

"I think we got the momentum from

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**Trenton eliminates Salem** 

#### BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe.homecomm.net

Whatever confidence was nurtured by a 21-win season seemed to dissipate when Plymouth Salem's hockey team was faced by a squad steeped in a tradition that included seven state championships

Three first-period goals by second-ranked Trenton had the Rocks reeling in Thursday's Division I state regional semifinal, played at Trenton's Kennedy Arena Their style of play, usually aggressive and quick, turned tentative By the time they adapted, it was too late - the Trojans had skated off with a 4 1 victory

Salem, its program in just its third season of existence, finishes with a 21-2-3 record Trenton (19-7) played Ann Arbor Huron Saturday for the regional title, the winner meets the Farmington Unified-Redford Catholic Central winner in a state quarterfinal Tuesday in Trenton

"We just couldn't get anything going," said Salem coach Fred Feiler "Even our power play was bad We got outmuscled Our defense was slow getting to the puck in our zone We didn't play very well in our own zone at all

"Yeah, I was hoping for a better result "

The strategy entering the ford's first goal

game was to try and take advantage of Trenton's sluggishness in clearing the puck from its own zone

"We wanted to press them in their own zone," explained Feiler "I thought we could play dump-and-chase But instead we kept trying to pass the puck and carry it in

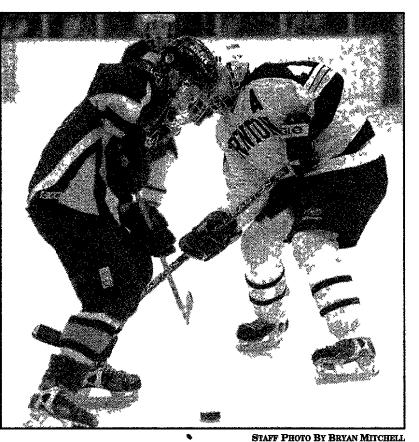
"They took the neutral zone away '

Which, in abbreviated form, is where Trenton won the game ---between the blue lines in the first period-and-a-half That and the Trojan defense in front of its own net was more than Salem could overcome

The outcome came quickly Trenton had been experiencing problems scoring goals "We've struggled to score goals this year," said Trojan coach Mike Turner "In the games we've lost, we gave up goals early and had trouble coming back

"We began the year as a young team (only four seniors) We graduated 11 players and lost 12 from last year's team "

When Trenton got on the board first - Derek Cranford scored it, just 1 55 into the game - momentum started to swing against Salem Cranford and linemates Chris Gutenschwager and Brandon Etlinger (all three are juniors) were the Rocks' undoing Both assisted on Cran-



Squaring off: Salem's Mark Nagel (left) tangles with Trenton's Brad LaTarte in a battle for puck control. Nagel set up the Rocks' only goal.

He got his second 8 21 later, in much the same fashion out of a scramble in front of the Rocks' net Indeed, goalie Scott Stukel was one of Salem's brightest

stars throughout the game, turning away three Trenton breakaways

"Our goalie really didn't have

Please see HOCKEY, C4

# Williams propels Ocelots into final

Mike Williams had 29 points and grabbed 16 rebounds Friday as the Schoolcraft College men's basketball earned its fourth consecutive trip to the Michigan Community College Athletic Association finals with a 98-86 win over Glen Oaks.

Schoolcraft (28-0) met Lansing CC (25-3) for the coveted title Saturday night in Muskegon The Ocelots and Lansing play again Wednesday in the Region 12 semifinals at Cincinnati State Both games will appear in Thursday's Observer

The defending state champion Ocelots also got 23 points from guard Javon Clark, who was 4 of 7 from three-point range Point-

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guard Rulon Harris added 11 points and seven assists, while Yaku Moton-Spruill (Westland John Glenn) had 10 points and eight rebounds

Tyrell Hightower led Glen Oaks (23-5) and all scorers with 30 points

#### Lady Ocelots in final

Kera Hill scored 20 points and dished out seven assists Friday as the Schoolcraft College women's basketball team won its

MCCAA semifinal matchup against Glen Oaks, 75-58, at Kalamazoo Valley

Rachel Eley and Devon Francois each added 11 points for the Eastern Conference champion Lady Ocelots, who led by only five, 47-42, with eight minutes to go before putting it away with an 11-0 run

Kelly Grenan (Redford Thurston) and Keysa Hamilton each contributed 10 points Francois and Eley combined for 17 rebounds Francois also had seven assists

Schoolcraft (23-4) met Western Conference champion Kalamazoo Valley (27-1) in Saturday's state final





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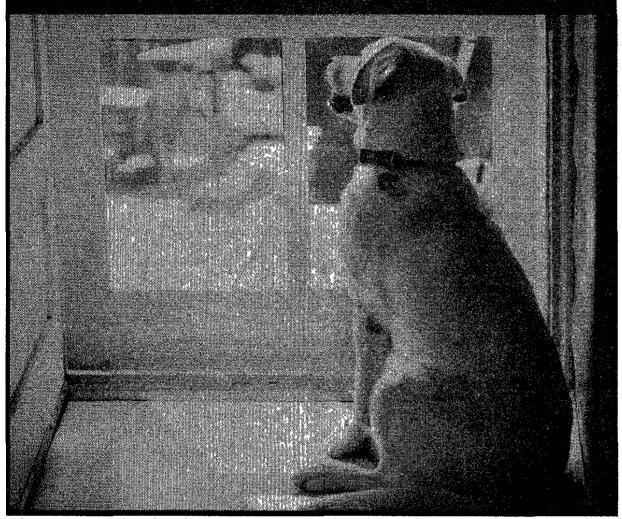
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# CC edges Spartans

BY BRAD MONASTIERE SPORTS WRITER bmonastiere@oe.homecomm.net

Redford Catholic Central's incredible run of consecutive postseason hockey victories came closer to ending Thursday night than ever before

However, it was nothing a little overtime couldn't settle

CC's junior forward Brandon Naurato tapped in a rebound with 20 8 seconds left in the second overtime to send the Shamrocks forward in the Division I playoffs with an incredible 6-5 win over Livonia Stevenson at the Redford Ice Arena

CC played in the regional finals Saturday night sporting a 17-5-3 record, while Stevenson's season ends with at 15-8-4 "That was one of the best state

"That was one of the best state tournament hockey games I've ever seen," said Spartans interim coach Jeff Hatley "I'm very proud of our guys and the coaching staff We came in halfway through the season, and to get to this level under tough circumstances, shows how well we really did "

Although the Shamrocks controlled most of the territorial play throughout the game, the Spartans did a terrific job at executing its game plan and cashing in on its opportunities

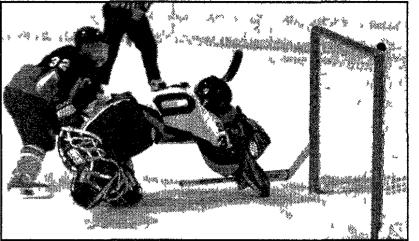
A goal by Stevenson's Adam Miller gave his team a stunning 4 1 lead with 2 01 left in the second period The Spartans tallied three unanswered goals in the period despite being outshot 12-7

CC came out in the third period looking like the three-time defending state champs, swarming Stevenson at every angle, burying four goals in a 2 16 span early in the third to take its first lead, 5-4

Junior Patrick Coldren and senior Ryan O'Dea started the rally with goals just 16 seconds apart

"After they got their fourth goal, we had a sense of calmness about us," said CC co-coach Todd Johnson "We were so far behind, our feeling of frustration turned into a feeling of desperation We have a system instilled in our kids, and we just hoped they went back to those good habits and didn't forget them

"But I feel bad for Livonia Stevenson They played such a



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

**Getting ahead:** Catholic Central captain John Perkovich scores the go-ahead goal in the third period of Thursday's regional thriller against Stevenson

terrific game, they stuck to their game plan, and their goaltender was just outstanding "

Although he was on the losing end of the stick, indeed, Stevenson junior goaltender Robert Thomas played a terrific game

He stopped 45 CC shots, including a number of sprawling saves in the third period and overtimes He made 21 consecutive saves after CC made it a 5-4 game, keeping his team in position to win

"He really held us in there," Hatley said of his goaltender

Stevenson's Tommy Zagata started the scoring 6 11 into the game with a quick one-timer off a perfect feed from Christopher Stevens to give the Spartans a surprising 1-0 lead

CC responded with a blast off the stick of sophomore David Kubert to knot the game 1-1

Senior forward Jonny O'Neill gave the Spartans their second lead of the game by scooping up a loose puck and flipping it past starting goaltender John Garza

With momentum going against them, the Shamrocks inserted regular starting goaltender Jim Blanchard, who according to his coach, could barely stand due to the flu

Stevenson junior forward Jared Gaudet cut across the ice to pick up a long pass and scored to put the Spartans up 3-1 less than five minutes into the second period

Although CC controlled the flow of the game from there, it would take awhile for it to show up on the scoreboard

"We tried to use their aggressiveness against them," Hatley said "We would fly a winger out and try to create some odd-man rushes, and we cashed in on a few of them "

CC sophomore Jeff Prough tied the game 4-4 with a gorgeous one-on-one move, giving the Shamrocks their third goal in less than a minute, at the 456 mark of the third period

Prough helped to set up the goahead goal when his shot was rebounded home by senior John Perkovich, sending the overflow ing CC crowd into a frenzy, and seeing its team with its first lead of the game

Thomas and Blanchard made huge saves at the end of regulation and in both overtime games

Thomas made two split-legged saves and stopped three pointblank chances by the Shamrocks in the second overtime, while Blanchaid stoned Stevenson's Brian Shekell on a breakaway chance midway through the second overtime

"Jim is our best player, and I felt like I would be doing our program a disservice by not having him in there," Johnson said, explaining the goaltender switch early in the game "He really gutted out Monday's win, and tonight, he asked for a chance to go in there and help us win "

Saturday's Redford Arena regional champ travels Wednesday to face host Trenton regional champion Division I quarterfinal matchup Face-off 1s at 7 30 p m

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Wednesday March 6 Northville vs AB winner 5 30 pm Plymouth Salem vs CD winner 7 p.m.

Friday, March 8 Championship final 7 pm (Winner advances to the regional semifi nals 7 p m Wednesday March 13 at Ypsilanti Lincoln vs Temperance Bedford district cham pion )

#### at ROMULUS

Monday, March 4 (A) Romulus vs (B) Belleville 6 p m (C) Westland John Glenn vs (D) Livonia Franklin 8 p.m.

Wedneeday March 6 Garden City vs A B winner 6 pm Wayne Memorial vs C D win ner 8 pm

Friday, March 8 Championship final 8 p m (Winner advances to the regional semifi nais 5 30 p m Wednesday March 13 at Northville vs. University of Detroit Jesuit district champion )

#### at REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL

Monday, March 4 (A) Redford Catholic Central vs (B) Detroit Redford 7 p m

Tuesday, March 5 Detroit Henry Ford vs Redford Union 7 p m

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Monday, March 4 (A) Farmington Hills Har rison vs (B) West Bloomfield 7 p m

Wednesday, March 6 Bloomfield Hills Lahser vs North Farmington 6 p.m. Farming ton vs AB winner 8 pm

Friday, March 8 Championship final 7 pm (Winner advances to the regional semifi nals 7 pm Wednesday March 13 at Northville vs Southfield-Lathrup district cham pion )

#### CLASS B

#### at DEARBORN DIVINE CHILD

Monday, March 4 (A) Dearborn Heights Annapolis vs (B) Redford Thurston 6 p m (C) Detroit Central vs (D) Detroit Chadsey 8 pm

Tuesday, March 5 (E) Dearborn Divine Child vs (F) Melvindale 7 p m

Thursday, March 7 Detroit Crocket vs EF winner 6 p.m. A B winner vs. C D winner 8 pm

Saturday March 9 Championship final 6 pm (Winner advances to the regional semifi nais 7 p m Tuesday March 12 at Tecumseh vs Gibraltar Carlson district champion ) CLASS C

#### at LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE

Monday, March 4 (A) Dearborn Henry Ford Academy vs (B) Southfield Christian 5 30 p.m. (C) Livonia Clarenceville vs. (D) Inkster 7 p m

Tuesday, March 5 (E) Detroit Benedictine vs. (E) Redford Bisboo Borgess, 5 30 p.m. Wednesday, March 6 A B winner vs C D

winner 5 30 p m Detroit Community vs E F winner 7 pm

Friday March 8 Championship final 7

Canton Agape Christian concluded its regular season with a 55-50 triumph over Taylor Light and Life Thursday in Taylor

The comeback win allowed Agape to finish at 16-4 overall Light and Life is 10-10

Victory did not come easily The Wolverines trailed 21 12 after one quarter, 32 26 at the half and 46-39 entering the last period It took a 16 4 closing quarter for Agape to come away with the win

### BASKETBALL

"We tightened the screws defensively," Wolverine coach Chuck Henry said, noting only one basket in the fourth quarter by the Crusaders

A three-pointer by the coach's son, Charlie, with two minutes left gave Agape the lead for good Charlie Henry finished with 22 points, Paul Chrenko added nine points and six rebounds Joe Sobocinsky's 15 points paced Light and Life

PCA 43, Greenhills 34: Plymouth Christian Academy closed out its regular season with three-straight wins, finishing the streak with a victory over Ann Arbor Greenhills Friday at PCA

"We had control the whole game," said PCA coach Doug Taylor "And we never really let it get away'

The win also assured the ton netted 10 and Aaron Eagles would have a winning record They improved to 11-9, the Gryphons are 9-9

Greenhills opened the game by scoring the first six points and led 11-9 after one quarter PCA recovered quickly, however, pounding the Gryphons with a 16-3 second-quarter run to take a 25 14 halftime lead

Xander Younce led the surge with six points, he finished with a game-high 15 points Clay WelCiborowski scored eight Bruce Svechota topped Greenhills with 15 points

PCA 61, Immaculate Conception 43: A strong second quarter was the key as Plymouth Christian Academy stopped Warren Immaculate Conception Thursday at PCA

The Eagles outpointed the Bengals 20-7 in the second to take a 27-16 halftime lead



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vs. (D) Lutheran High Westland, 7 n.m. Thursday March 7 Romulus Summit Academy vs A B winner 7 p m

Saturday, March 9 Championship final 7 pm (Winner advances to the regional semifi nais 7 p m Tuesday March 12 at Macomb Dakota vs Detroit Communication & Media Arts district champion )

#### CLASS D

at NOVI FRANLKIN ROAD CHRISTIAN

Tuesday March 5 (A) Redford St Agatha vs (B) Academy of Business & Technology 5 30 p m (C) Novi Franklin Road Christian vs (D) Westland Huron Valley Lutheran 7 p m

Thursday, March 7 Plymouth Christian Academy vs A B winner 5 30 p m Canton Agape Christian vs. C.D.winner, 7 p.m.

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# Young Crusaders are facing a rough road

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All right A lot of things went wrong for Madonna University's softball team last season After a 7 5 start on their Florida trip, the Lady Crusaders went on a 12-game losing streak - which meant a 1-7 start to the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference campaign

But that was then, right? This 1s now A new season A new beginning

One discussion with Madonna coach Al White might make last season seem inviting The Crusaders never did regroup in 2001, finishing 19-35 overall, 9-19 in the WHAC

Amends to make certain such a thing would not repeat were in motion White and his assistant coaches, Curt White, Terry Abraham and Rodney Schellenberger. 'worked our butts off recruiting," said White "There wasn't a day we weren't out there "

The result was a recruiting class that, by White's estimate, was "the best freshmen class

#### PREVIEW

we've had so far " Eight newcomers were scheduled to join the Crusader team this season

White planned to develop these freshmen, as any coach would And one, maybe two, would emerge to make an impact on the 2002 season

Well, things have changed Gone are five players White thought would be starters this season, for a variety of reasons, joining graduated standouts Kristy McDonald and Angela Litwin, the Crusaders' top two hitters from last season

Pam Konwinski transferred to Eastern Michigan University to take classes in special education, which Madonna didn't offer, Meghan Quinn suffered a fractured shoulder, Stacie Wilson was going to enlist in the Marines until the Sept 11 tragedy (she did not return to the team), Devon Fletcher wants to play, but her major in nursing requires her to spend time work-

ing at the hospital, leaving no room for softball

Perhaps the biggest loss was that of incoming freshman Jessica Brubaker, an all-state pitcher from Waterford Kettering "With (Jenny) Tenyer and (Missy) Van-Doorn, it would have made Brubaker such a commodity, with her change-up "

Alas, an elbow operation and academic problems took Brubaker out of school and magnified Madonna's pitching problems True, Tenyer and VanDoorn are both returnees from last season, but neither was truly exemplary Tenyer was 8-15 with a 2 42 earned run average, VanDoorn posted a 10-14 record with a 3 10 ERA

Part of the problem, to be sure, was the play behind them The Crusaders committed 135 errors in 54 games, an average of 2.5 per game As a team, they produced just three runs a game while allowing nearly five, batting 260 to their opponents' 289

With the heavy losses, White is faced with this stark reality a

starting lineup that features just two returnees, either Tenyer or VanDoorn at pitcher and sophomore catcher Arın Fowler (a 242 batting average, 12 runs batted in, nine errors in 52 games)

That's right Madonna will start seven new players And most of them will be freshmen Indeed, of the 14 players on

the roster, there's one senior and one junior - the pitchers, Van-Doorn (a senior) and Tenyer Those are a lot of troubles for

any team before the season's first pitch But there's more

If any team needed a pre-season slate of games, Madonna did And yet, the Crusaders' 10-game fall schedule was trimmed to three by the Sept 11 tragedy and poor weather

All  $\bar{l}$  of this has put White and his coaches into a bind and forced them to alter their focus for the season "We're trying to give them as much information possible, to try and get them ready as quickly as possible," White said "It's the (lack of) experience — that's the kicker

"There's nothing you can do

about it You just keep plugging along "

So As to the starting lineup At first base, freshman Krystle Shina (from Farmington Mercy) At second, freshman Tara Turner At third, freshman Kathy Day (Livonia Ladywood) The shortstop is expected to be Emily Cunningham, a sophomore who did not play last season

Now for the outfield Mary Warchuck, a freshman, will be in left Another freshman, Autumn Batyık, will start in center In right will be sophomore Allison Luczak (Livonia), a transfer from Indiana Tech

Returnee Jamie Bobrowski will provide aid in both the outfield and on the mound The rest --- well, who can tell?

Last season never went as expected, particularly after a somewhat promising start against tough competition in the opening Florida trip

We didn't score runs," said White "It's hard to win 1-0, 2-1 all the time unless you have that dominating pitcher" He had hoped Brubaker could

develop into that type of pitcher, but that wasn't meant to be So now, it's just a matter of re-setting goals and salvaging whatever 1s possible

"It's going to be an interesting season," said White "Our hope is to finish in the top half of the league so we can make the playoffs

That won't be easy, considering the competition True, defending WHAC champion Aquinas lost quite a bit, but Cornerstone returns one of the conference's best players in pitcher Tara Brown Concordia and Siena Heights could be quite strong as well

Attitude is at least in Madonna's favor "This team gets along so well," said White "They don't let anything bother them We've told them to take that onto the field and just have fun

"But if you lose 12 in a row, that's not fun '

At any rate, White and his staff has the proper perspective "It can only go up," he said "That's what we've been saying '

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a chance on them." Feiler said of the first two Trojan goals

Just 2 13 after Trenton had increased its lead to 2-0, they got another, this time Gutenschwager scoring it with assists from Cranford and Etlinger, gaining possession in front of Stukel unopposed and simply flicking the puck over his shoulder

A three-goal deficit was what Feiler had feared going into the game "We knew if we gave up three goals, we'd be in trouble, with their defense," he said "That's the best forechecking team we've seen all year '

Trenton outshot Salem 12-5 in the first period It didn't get any better in the second

The Trojans continued to exert their dominance in the second period, cushioning their lead to 4-0 just 38 in when Stukel couldn't grab a loose puck in his crease Trenton's Jason Dailing pounced on it, backtracked a sin

gle stride, pivoted and fired it first period, but saw Trojan into the net Dan Olgren and

Brandon Thomson assisted From that point on, the game's complexion changed — in large part due to penalties by Trenton "I don't think we've taken five penalties in a game this season," said Turner

The Trojans did in the second and third periods, while the Rocks were not assessed any While Salem never took advantage of its power plays, the penalties did take the momentum from Trenton

Salem's only goal came shortly after the conclusion of a Trojan penalty, with 12 09 left in the third period The Rocks' biggest offensive threats combined to score it, Mark Nagel gaining possession of the puck at his own blue line and eluding two defenders to lead a 3-on-1 break into the Trenton zone Nagel ---who led a similar foray in the goalie Ben Trosien break up his pass — this time put the puck on Kevin Wilson's stick just outside the crease, and Wilson put it in

If any comeback hopes flourished with the Salem goal, they were dashed Cranford took two more penalties before the game was concluded, but the Rocks could not mount an attack

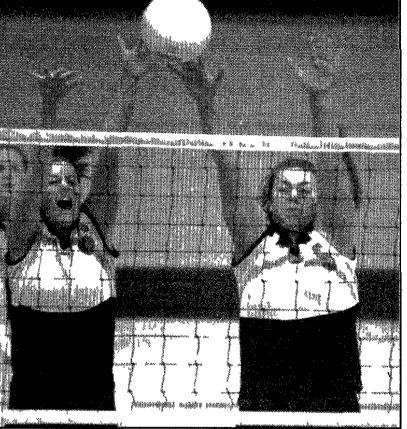
Despite the loss, Feiler was more than pleased with the season compiled by Salem "Absolutely," he insisted "That's what I told them They can walk away from this with their heads high '

It must be noted two significant players for the Rocks, John Schultz and Mike Crowley, were out of the lineup due to "disciplinary reasons," according to Feiler Neither played in the 5-1 win over Howell in the regional opener, either

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To no avail: Try as they might, Canton's Kristen Lillie (left) and Kristen Lake (right) could not prevent the Chiefs' district semifinal loss to South Lyon



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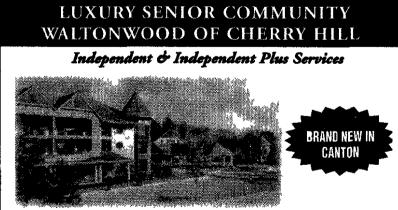
In the final against South Lyon, Liebau and Good again paved the way, Liebau collecting 13 kills (400 percentage) and Good 12 Jaskot had five aces and 14 set assists, Falcusan finished with 12 assists, and Nicole Genrich and Sue Woodard had three and two aces, respectively

Churchill's win over Northville was more lopsided Gillies was

dominant offensively with eight kills, while Phillips led defensively with seven blocks

As for Canton's match against South Lyon, coach Steve Anderson summarized briefly "It was a blowout It was the worst match we played all year, and it couldn't have come at a worse tıme

Salem, on the other hand, rose to the occasion, and it couldn't have come at a better time



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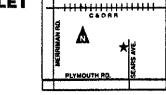


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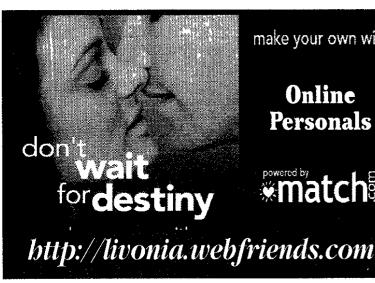
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# HEALTH & FITNESS

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### MEDICAL BRIEFS

#### **Arbor Hospice & Home Care**

Often, children exhibit no outward signs of grief after a loved one has died, yet, internally, they experience many thoughts, questions and fears too difficult to put into words

Northern Xpress Ways 1s a grief support group provided by Pathfinders of Arbor Hospice & Home Care for elementary- and middle school-age children who have experienced the death of a loved one The children learn to express their thoughts and emotions through art, poetry, journaling, collage, music, sculpting or memory books Groups are led by master's level therapists

Northern Xpress Ways meets 4 30-6 pm Mondays at the First United Methodist Church, 777 Eight Mile Road, Northville The cost is \$30 per session for one child and \$15 per session for each additional child within one family To register, call (734) 662-3742, ext 175 or (800) 783-5764

### Let it snow!

The good news about shoveling snow is that it doesn't have be a "pain" in the neck or back

"Shoveling snow can be good exercise if done properly and with safety in mind," says Tom Birk, associate professor of Physical Therapy at Wayne State University's Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences "The key is to start slow and use some safety sense

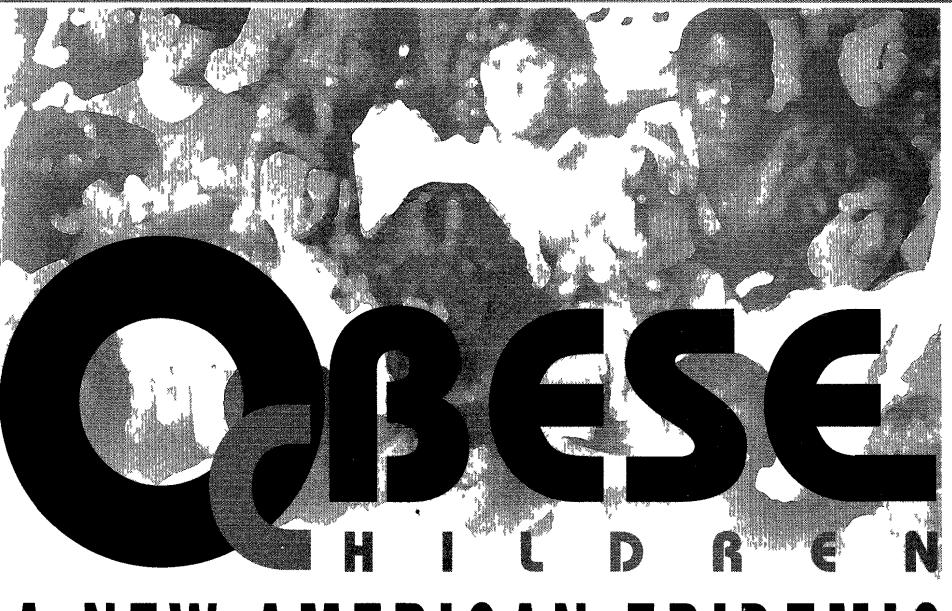
Here's a pile of snow shoveling tips ■ If you're inactive or have a history of health problems talk to your doc-

tor before taking on the task Warm up your muscles before shoveling by walking for a few minutes or marching in place Warm muscles work more efficiently and are less likely to be injured

Pick the right shovel for you A smaller blade requires you to lift less snow, putting less strain on your body

■ Stand with your feet about hip width for balance and keep the shovel close to your body Bend from the knees, not the back, and avoid twisting movements

Most importantly, listen to your



# A NEW AMERICAN EPIDEMIC

### BY CAROL MARSHALL SPECIAL WRITER

iet support groups are still active, and the gyms are still packed two months after serious resolution makers vowed to leave the American ranks of the fat and happy Too often, however, while adults are watching their diets and huffing on the treadmill, their children have become among the alarming number of obese youngsters

"It's become an epidemic," said Farmington Hills pediatrician Robert Roman "I have seen more and more children in my office who are overweight or obese It's one of the hardest problems we have The kids have become so accustomed to bad habits and it's setting them up for some real problems '

Obesity and overweight are clinical conditions determined by comparing a child's height and weight to average heights and weights for children their age, and by determining the child's Body Mass Index, or BMI, said Roman A BMI of more than more than 25 indicates overweight, while a BMI of more than 30 signals obesity

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> Robert Roman - Farmington Hills pediatrician

how it's affecting their growth as their bones and muscles are still growing?" said Roman So far we don't know exactly how it will affect them in the future, but it can't be good for them '

Societal changes play a part in the problem,

"Parents are in control, especially when their children are young Sometimes it comes down to taking your children out to play, and showing them its fun If you can do that when they're little, if you re lucky those good habits will stick with them Irving said

Family involvement is essential in treatment, Irving said Children often are not concerned with their weight problems, and parents need to direct them without pushing them too hard, and possibly creating other food and weight issues

We need to take it very slow with children We set one goal at a time and focus on that one thing - maybe just one change in snack foods, or setting an activity goal It can often take a child a whole month or more just to master one goal," she said



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#### Seal those teeth

One of the tools in the war against tooth decay is the dental sealant, a plastic material the dentist applies to the chewing surfaces of the back teeth - the premolars and molars The sealant forms a barrier that protects teeth from plaque, a sticky film of bacteria that constantly forms on the teeth

Thorough brushing and flossing help remove food particles and plaque from smooth surfaces of the teeth, however, pits and fissures are places that are extremely difficult to clean Most cavities form in pit and fissure areas, and permanent molars are extremely susceptible to this form of decav

Applying dental sealants takes only a few minutes for each tooth Sealants usually last several years before a reapplication is needed. As long as the sealant remains intact, the tooth surface 1s protected from decay

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Fatty foods, high-calorie drinks and a sedentary lifestyle have been named culprits in the sharp rise in adult obesity in the United States Children, once characterized by boundless energy as well as having a taste for sweets, are now increasingly addressing the same issues as their parents

#### **Cause and effects**

Children are growing heavier at younger ages The problem can begin as early as age 5, shortly after an age when most children lose their "baby fat," said Roman But he has seen a strong trend toward overweight in children aged 7 to 10

"I know the statistics, but I would say that between 40 and 50 percent of kids today have a weight problem or an obesity problem," said Sarah Irving, Beaumont Weight Control Center dietitian The trend is so alarming Beaumont Weight Control Center is currently developing special programs for young people

"I hope to one day see us have a program for kids as young as five years old," said Irving

The problem is that serious, she emphasized "We're seeing a big increase in children who are developing Type II diabetes, which we used to call adult onset diabetes, but now we have to change that terminology '

Other physical and emotional problems abound Ridicule from peers, self-esteem issues, future cardiovascular illnesses and stress on the body also are associated with pediatric obesity Irving said she has treated a growing number of children with high cholesterol and elevated triglycerides

"If children are carrying all that extra weight while their bodies are developing, can you imagine

according to Roman Sprawling subdivisions built far from activity centers and schools require par ents to load their children into cars and vans and drive them to activities, while children of past gen erations walked or rode bicycles Smaller family sizes mean less interaction and play with other children within neighborhoods, and more time that children spend alone Parents' hectic work sched ules often mean fewer nutritious foods, and more fast foods have became regular fare at the family dinner table

"We've become accustomed to driving our chil dren everywhere, and allowing them to eat high fat foods, and most importantly allowing them to watch hours of television and spend too much time at the computer or video games," said Roman "The problem usually stems from the family's habits, so we can't just treat the child We have to treat the problem as a family problem "

#### Not your mother's weight problem

Although the causes for pediatric obesity are similar to adult obesity, treating the overweight child is very different from treating an adult

"You never want to make it a dieting issue," Irv ing said "The big thing we ask is where we can get the child involved in some physical activity "

Focus on diet is only part of addressing a child's weight issue, Irving said "We can't really cut calo ries for kids, because they're growing and we don't want to stunt any of their growth We can look for healthier options if they're eating a lot of snack foods, sugared juices and drinks, and fast food, but we can't count calories with them "

The real goal is to establish long-term lifestyle changes, centered around healthy eating and active play Aerobic activities are essential, as is play Walking, swimming, riding bicycles, and ski ing are excellent activities for families, he added

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The following tips offer guidance to parents whose child has a weight problem:

Work with your pediatrician. Your child's doctor can determine if the child has a weight problem and can help determine how severe or mild the problem is by using height/weight growth charts and determining the child's Body Mass Index (BMI), said Farmington Hills pediatrician Robert Roman. Your pediatrician can help you develop a strategy for helping your child slim down.

Get moving. Children aren't likely to be fond of exercise if their parents are lounging happily on the sofa, according to Beaumont Weight Control Clinic dietitian Sarah Irving, Very often a family that plays together weighs together, so get out and play. It's good for the whole family

Shop wisely. Ultimately, it's up to the parents to determine what their children eat. "If you run your house like a restaurent, your kid is going to order whatever he wants," said Roman Stock your cupboards with healthy alternatives to junk foods. Watch, your child s juice intake, and switch to low-fat milk after your child celebrates his second birthday.

Banish soft drinks if possible. If you can't eliminate them, at least limit your child's consumption of them.

Relax Don't put too much pressure on an overweight child, said Roman. You could make the problem worse, create self-esteem issues, or particularly in girls, set them up for other eating disorders. Instead, focus on establish-ing a fun, active lifestyle. "The weight will take care of itself if you do that," Roman said.

# **Clinical studies test two treatments for** people with advanced Parkinson's disease

cans living with Parkinson's disease ---and for the significant number with advanced stages of the disease - activities of daily life are often complicated by the uncertainty of when or if their medication will take effect Two clinical research trials are now accepting participants at study sites across the United States and Canada to determine the safety and effectiveness of two investigational drugs for advanced Parkinson's disease

The PRESTO study will determine if

For the estimated 1 million Ameri- rasagiline mesylate may improve Parkinson's disease symptoms when added to levodopa, the current standard Parkinson's disease treatment The RAPID Study will see if etilevodopa/carbidopa also may provide relief of symptoms more quickly than levodopa Both the PRESTO and RAPID studies are now enrolling individuals with advanced Parkinson's disease who are currently taking levodopa and experiencing less-than optimal control of symptoms Researchers are seeking 250 and 100

people, respectively, to participate in ty of Pennsylvania and a member of the PRESTO and RAPID studies Both trials will last approximately six months and will involve between 40 and 60 universities and medical centers throughout North America

"Currently, many advanced Parkinson's disease patients, in spite of tak ing levodopa, experience difficulty as their disease progresses The PRESTO Study will assess the effect of adding rasagiline to levodopa on Parkinson's symptoms," said Dr Matthew B-Stern, professor of neurology at the Universi

the Parkinson Study Group "The RAPID Study will evaluate etilevodopa/carbidopa's ability to provide symptom relief sooner than existing levodopa therapies due to its unique formulation "

#### Studies

Parkinson's disease is a slowly progressive neurodegenerative disorder that occurs when neurons in the brain die or become impaired, halting the

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# **Botsford physician provides advanced** treatment of bladder control problem

frustrating and embarrassing bladder control problems They may have tried treatments such as diet changes, exercises, medications and biofeedback to no avail

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# **Parkinson's** from page C6

production and storage of dopamine Dopamine is the vital chemical responsible for transmitting signals to nerve cells that direct muscle activity Parkinson's disease is generally diagnosed after two of the follow ing symptoms are documented during a period of time Tremors while resting, slowness of move ment, rigidity of the limbs and trunk, and impaired balance

"There are many unmet needs in the Parkinson's community, Dr Stern said "The success of both the PRESTO and RAPID studies could play an important role in providing additional treatment options for people suffering from the disease

People with a confirmed diagblind, randomized, controlled nosis of advanced Parkinson's Phase III trial that will compare disease who are interested in etilevodopa/carbidopa tablets to participating in either the standard levodopa/carbidopa PRESTO or RAPID studies in therapy in patients with the Detroit area can obtain more advanced Parkinson's disease information by calling toll free who experience motor fluctua (888) 887-3774.

The PRESTO is a doubleblind, randomized, placebo-controlled Phase III trial that will examine the effectiveness, tolerability and safety of rasagiline mesylate in levodopa-treated Parkinson's disease patients Rasagiline blocks the action of the enzyme that breaks down dopamine in the brain

The RAPID Study is a double-

Angela Hospice in Livonia offers ongoing grief support groups every second and fourth Tuesday of the month Groups are free-ofcharge and open to the public Call Bereavement Coordinator Ruth Favor at (734) 464-7810

#### SUN, MARCH 3 CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY

MCS Friends, a support group for the chemically injured, will meet 2-5 p m at 620 Miller Road, Ann Arbor Call (734) 997-0499 for directions This will be pot luck and discussion Bring a dish to pass with all ingredients

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The Farmington Family YMCA will offer 8-week sessions of Fit ness Yoga 6 45 Mondays, start ing March 4, and 10 15 a m Fri days, starting March 8 Cost \$20 donation to the Partners with Youth Campaign Open to mem bers and non-members Call (248) 553-4020

response to their Parkinson's

medication They will be asked

to keep a home diary detailing

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The Parkinson Study Group

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Parkinson's disease

# Hospital offers teens babysitting skills

For many teenagers, baby-sitting is a great way to earn money for Friday nights at the movies or to save for that first car Baby sitting also carries with it a lot of responsibility

To help budding baby-sitters meet those challenges, Crittenton Hospital Medical Center offers the Safe Baby sitters program from 9 am to 1 pm on March 2 The 4 hour class covers the basic skills of baby-sitting infants to preteen children Students learn to help a choking child, diaper a baby, and basic first aid Through roleplay, they also learn to call 911 in an emergency, how to handle strangers, and how to handle a fire

"This is an important class for anyone who loves children and wants to be a baby-sitter." said Karen Pfeffer, Crittenton's maternal child coordinator "It gives them the skills they need and confidence in dealing with children "

Potential baby-sitters must be at least 11 years old to participate A certificate will be given to each student at the completion of the class Each four-hour session is \$25 We recommend taking a CPR class as well

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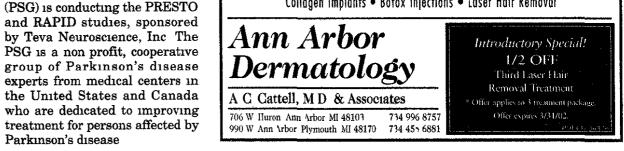
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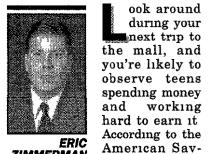
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Council's 1999 Youth and Money Survey, 94 percent of participating students worked full- or part-time jobs the previous summer

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That's the good news Unfortunately, the same survey also reports that only about half the teens interviewed think it's very important to save any of their hard-earned money

If your high school or collegeaged student shares this "live for today" attitude, here are a few ways to help turn your free spirit into a financially savvy adult

Instill fiscal responsibility Teens must learn that along with the privileges of adulthood come financial responsibilities By the time they are ready for college, young adults should be able to balance their own checkbook, pay bills in a timely manner and plan for their personal living expenses

While saving money at this stage in life is often challenging, the groundwork for responsible spending and saving habits should be laid during high school By requiring highschoolers with part-time jobs to plan and follow a budget, you can help make sure they are able to manage their money when it's time to leave the nest

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Teach by first hand experi ences Hands-on learning with money typically generates excitement with kids One way to teach investment basics is to purchase individual stocks or mutual funds together, to involving your teens in the selection process

They are likely to have strong opinions about the companies they perceive as the "best" choices based on what kind of soft drinks they prefer and what clothing labels they like to wear This isn't necessarily bad, as many financial advisors recommend investing in something you know

However, you should always research a stock before investing You can begin the process by presenting a few shares of stock as a gift, or you can guide your kids in making their first purchase Then you can agree on how the investment program will be funded going forward

For example, you might determine that a child will use 20 percent of each paycheck to buy more shares, while you match the investment Together you can track price changes in the financial section of the newspaper or on the Internet and monitor gains and losses

Warn against excessive debt and credit card abuse Unfortunately, many kids don't learn of the dangers of credit card abuse until they've experienced it firsthand In fact, the same survey cited above states that 28 per-

card carry revolving debt

The main way to create awareness of credit-related issues is to maintain an active dialogue on the subject with your kids Warn about the dangers of excessive debt and describe the benefits of keeping a good credit rating

Obtaining a copy of your own credit report and sharing the results with your teen can be a way to drive the point home that your credit rating good or bad stays with you for years

Assume a new role The transition to adulthood means changing roles for parents as well as kids Until this point in your children's lives, you've provided financial support and made the rules Now you may find that instead of being the "boss" you're becoming an "advisor" In that role, you can offer suggestions and provide guidance, but the bottom line is that your kids soon will be making many of their financial decisions independently

This transition is often more difficult for parents than it is for children particularly if you see departures from your own way of doing things

As you move through this important education process with the young adults in your home, don't be afraid to seek help The nonprofit National Center for Financial Education (www ncfe org) provides books for teenagers and other teaching tools for parents, while the American Savings Education Council (www asec org) offers information to educate Americans about saving money

A knowledgeable financial

#### **BUSINESS CALENDAR**

#### **TUES., MARCH 12** LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County will host a membership meeting 735-9 pm at the Livonia Civic Center Library, Five Mile just east of Farmington A panel discussion of brownfields will provide valuable information about an issue affecting many local communities

#### **CAREER WOMEN**

The West Suburban Chapter, National Association of Career

a presentation by historian Dr Tom Klug Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres catered by the Whitney The cost for ASE members 18 \$25, non-members are welcome Call (248) 223-8003

#### **SALES AND MARKETING**

The Sales & Marketing Executive of Detroit will hold its monthly dinner 6 p m at the **MSU Management Education** Center, 811 W Square Lake Road, between Livernois and Crooks, Trov Reception at 5 pm and presentation at 7 pm Tickets are \$45 for members, \$60 for non-members Thomas T Stallkamp, vice chairman and CEO of MSX International, presents "Outsourcing Isn't A Dirty Word " Call (248) 643-6590

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The American Society of Employers will present the workshop "Win-Win Communication Skills" 9 a m to 4 30 p m at their headquarters, 23815 Northwestern Highway, Southfield Cost \$199 members, \$269 non-members Fee includes all instruction, workbooks and handouts Lunch provided for full-day classes Call (248) 353-4500

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Women will hold their luncheon meeting 11 45 a m at Ernesto's, 41661 Plymouth Road, Plymouth Dr Mark Roby, an intuitive medicine practitioner from Henry Ford Hospital, will be the featured speaker Cost \$18 for members, \$22 for non-members Call Brenda Durling (734) 462-4670

#### WED., MARCH 13 **EMPLOYERS' CELEBRATION**

The American Society of Employers (ASE) will hold its Centennial Kickoff Celebration 5-8 pm at the Carail Museum, 17455 Grand River, Detroit The museum houses a private collection of more than 50 vintage automobiles, hundreds of Lionel toy trains and other automotive artifacts The event will include

#### **TUES., MARCH 19** NORTHVILLE BUSINESS

The Northville Chamber of Commerce will host the 13th annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase 5-8 p m at Northville High School, 45700 Six Mile Road, Northville The showcase will feature 90 exhibitors from retail, service and professional businesses in the Northville community Area top-rated restaurants and caterers will provide samples Free give-aways, raffles and promotional goodies Cost \$7, adults, \$6, seniors, \$3, children under 12 Call (248) 349-7640

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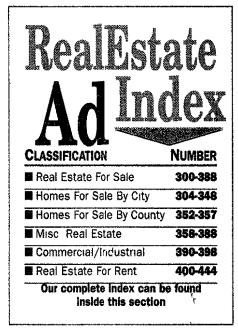


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# **Condos provide luxury living at lake setting**

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The Arbors phase, 126 attached condominiums, goes one step further with a no-worry, everything is taken-care-of exterior maintenance policy

The community is only about a mile south of the I-96/Wixom interchange, but you'd never know it with the rolling, wooded terrain and lake

We'll have a beach area at the north end of lake," said David Straub, assistant project manager at The Arbors "We'll have a gazebo and parking spaces for residents

"We'll also have a clubhouse with fitness at the south end of the lake, a beach, an Olympic-sized swimming pool and two tennis courts," he added

Those projects are expected to start this spring with a summer of 2003 completion date anticipated

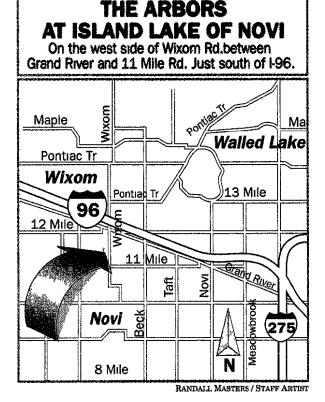
We're marketing this as a resort community within the city limits of Novi," Straub said "We're taking advantage of the natural environment here Miles of walking trails "

"The biggest marketing point is lifestyle," added Desiree Davis, marketing coordinator for Toll Brothers "It's very much like a vacation or resort style of living More or less, you have everything you want within your own community"

"People here in The Arbors are looking for mainte-pance free lives," Straub said "Whether dual work ing couples or empty-nesters, to free up their time '

"We like to think that we have a little something for everybody," said Reggie Carveth, project manager at The Arbors

"Not only do we have open floor plans, but the area is open There's anywhere from 60 to 100 feet between buildings," he said "You're surrounded by trees"





Luxury living: Condominiums at Island Lake of Novi start at about \$285,000 for nearly 2,000 square feet

The Toll Brothers building team also has tried to foster a meet-and great spirit among residents by establishing an interactive Web site and organizing special events like picnics and a road rally

What isn't in the community, itself, is easily accessible, too

"We're minutes away from the expressway, within 10 minutes of the popular Twelve Oaks shopping district," Straub said

Four floor plans, all two-story style, are available at The Arbors They range in price from \$284,975 for 1,987 square feet with three bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths to \$314,975 for 2,222 square feet with three bedrooms and 2-1/2baths

All include at base price two-car garage, deck, basement, fireplace, air conditioning, separate tub and shower in the master, and range and dishwash er in the kitchen

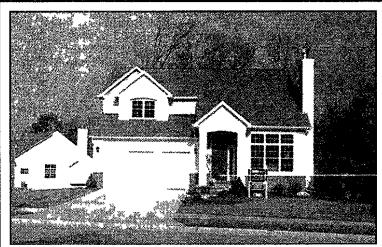
Wood flooring is in the foyer, kitchen/nook and half baths, ceramic in the main baths, vinyl in the laundry and carpeting throughout the rest of the home

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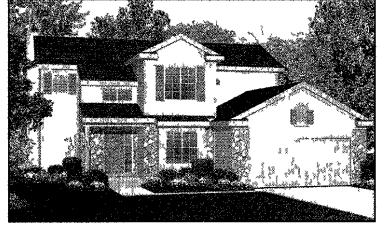
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This home, 2,044 square feet, has fantastic eye appeal and would work well on a lot in the city or in a lush, rural setting

The two-car garage, housing a large shop area, is disguised so that it appears as part of the living area The doors face the side and a beautiful window with a flower box faces the front

The open during room is on the right side of the entry foyer, the stairs to the second floor and the optional unfinished basement on the left

The dining room has a 9-foot ceiling

The Sagamore (G24 736) has a clas- and is framed by bay windows A built- floor, while the other two bedrooms in china cabinet and a wet bar flow to the kitchen behind a set of swinging doors

> The pantry 1s on the left across from an island containing the sink and dishwasher, as well as an eating bar The balance of the cabinets is down the opposite wall

> The breakfast nook is also in an arrangement of bay windows, overlooking the deck and back yard A door goes into the utility room, which also has a door into the garage

> Beyond the nook to the left is a large great room with a fireplace, surrounded by large windows that bathe the room in light from the sun terrace

and a computer room are upstairs

The master suite has a window seat facing the front, 9-foot ceilings and two large walk-in-closets The master bath contains a shower, spa tub, dual sinks and a linen closet

Bedrooms 2 and 3 share a common bathroom with a tub and two sinks Pocket doors close off the bathroom from each bedroom

The loft/hall is partially open to the computer room, making this area ideal for both the students of the family and for little ones to have a play area

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Housing Policy, Housing America's Working Families, indicates that more than three million working families in the US spend more than half their income on housing

This discrepancy between employment and housing is felt most by public employees and people who work in the service and retail industries

Demographic trends over the next two decades will continue to increase demand for housing

The US population will grow by some 37 million over the next 15 years That means we need to build 13 to 15 million homes each year to keep up with the demand for new housing

Because little can be done to control

A recent report from the Center for demand pressures, the growth debate should focus on the supply side of the market

That means developing a master growth and zoning plan that will provide for a good mix of housing in various price ranges and the timely construction of infrastructure improvements - roads and schools — that will accommodate the county or city's anticipated growth in an orderly manner

Advocates of no-growth policies offer unrealistic solutions to the housing crisis experienced by low- and moderate income families Instead, we should emphasize smart growth —smarter choices about where and how we grow our communities

In many areas, teachers police offi-

cers, firefighters and other public employees are commuting many miles to work each day because they can't find affordable housing to rent or buy close to their jobs

Zoning pushes people to outlying areas in search of homes that are affordable to middle-income families

If large sections of land are zoned for low density housing (such as one home per acre of land), not only is the number of homes limited, but prices for the remaining land are increased, as well Where a 100 acre parcel could be

zoned to hold only 100 homes, the same needs for security and shelter parcel of land could include 40 homes on one-acre lots plus 180 homes on 1/3-acre lots If part of the space is zoned for multi-family housing, the effective use of the land extends even more

Americans also need to consider the relationship between job growth and housing demand It's a simple equation More jobs equal more demand for hous

Job growth 1s important and policy makers have a responsibility to make sure that equal priority is given to housing at all income levels

Affordable housing offers families a chance to own something that will increase in value and provide tax advantages while also meeting our basic nies of Auburn Hills

This nation will continue to grow It's essential we acknowledge that growth is going to occur and plan accordingly With a forward-thinking attitude that focuses on smart growth, we can make a positive contribution that will yield tremendous benefits for future genera tions

Dominic J Moceri is a third genera tion builder/developer with 20 years experience in development and real estate

He is a vice president with the Build ing Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan and partner with brothers Mario and Frank in the Moceri Compa

# New home construction begins the new year in style

WASHINGTON (AP) - Construction of new homes and apartments rose 63 percent in January to the highest level in álmost two years

The increase offers fresh evidence that the housing market is thriving while much of the economy slumps



The Commerce Department reported last month that builders broke ground in January on a higger-than-expected 168 million units, at a seasonally adjusted annual rate

That was the highest level since Febru ary 2000 and followed a 2 3 percent decline in December

Low interest rates are a key reason that the housing and construction markets have remained stable even as the national economy has been suffer ing through a recession that began in March

While the stock market has been volatile during the slump, housing values have seen solid appreciation - another factor motivating new-home buyers, builders say

In January, construction of new singlefamily homes rose 35 percent to a rate of 135 million That followed a 44 percent advance in December

Apartments, condos and other multifamily housing starts in January increased by 83 percent from the previous month In December, construction of multi family housing had fallen by a sharp 20 4 percent

By region, new housing construction in January rose 14 4 percent to a rate of 800,000 units in the South and by 87 per-

cent in the Northeast to a rate of 162,000 But in the West, housing construction fell by 3.6 percent to rate of 377,000, in the Midwest, it dipped by 0.3 percent to a rate of 339,000

To prop up the economy, the Federal Reserve slashed interest rates 11 times last year, pushing the prime rate — a benchmark for consumer and business loans - down to its lowest level since November 1965

In January, the Fed opted to leave inter est rates unchanged and cited signs of an economic recovery as the basis for its deci sion

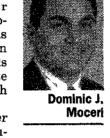
Some economists are hopeful that the

Fed's aggressive credit easing will pave the way for a solid economic recovery in the second half of this year

Even if that happens, many economists . expect that mortgage rates, now hovering ; below 7 percent, will stay in the 7-percent range in the months ahead, helping to : support the housing market this year

Consumer confidence, jolted by the Sept 11 terror attacks, has improved. recently, a sign that consumers, the lifeblood of the economy, won't retrench in the coming months

Consumer spending accounts for twothirds of all economic activity in the United States



#### ARBORS from page D1

half base, fancier crown molding and wainscoting in dining rooms

Two of the plans place the laundry on the first floor, two in a closet on the upper level near the bedrooms

Cement siding and cultured stone are primary exterior materials

Buyers can order all kinds of options including unique concrete steps to grade from basements (\$9,500), greenhouse option, extra space and a skylight in the kitchen/ nook (\$5,300), and a bonus room on a third level (\$15,900) We have hundreds of options to choose from," Straub said "We want

people to live their dream"

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All four of the plans have been constructed as models

The Lindenhurst, an exterior unit of 1,953 square feet, features a living room, dining room, family room and kitchen/ nook on the main level

Three bedrooms normally are up, but

the model showcases a grandmaster suite that substitutes a sitting area for the third bedroom

Base price of the Lindenhurst is \$309,975 The model has about \$80,000 in upgrades

The Eastport 1s an open plan of 2,222 square feet that also contains a living room, dining room, family room and kitchen/nook down, three bedrooms — all with volume ceilings — down and two baths up

Base price 1s \$294,975, with \$20,000-\$30,000 of upgrades in the model The Pentwater, 1,987 square feet, also is fairly open with a dining room, family room and kitchen/ nook on the main living/ entertaining

floor, three bedrooms up Base price is \$284,975, with the model showing \$40,000-\$50,000 in upgrades

The Eastport Elite is the same basic plan as the Eastport, except it's an end unit Base price is \$314,975

"They're all great floor plans for enter taining," said Lisa Markwardt, sales manager at The Arbors

Most units are clustered four to a § building The Arbors is serviced by city ; water, sewers and sidewalks It's within the Novi school boundaries

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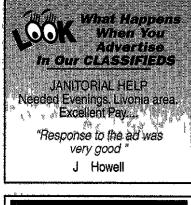
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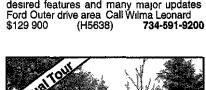
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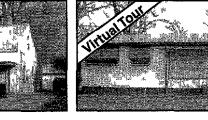


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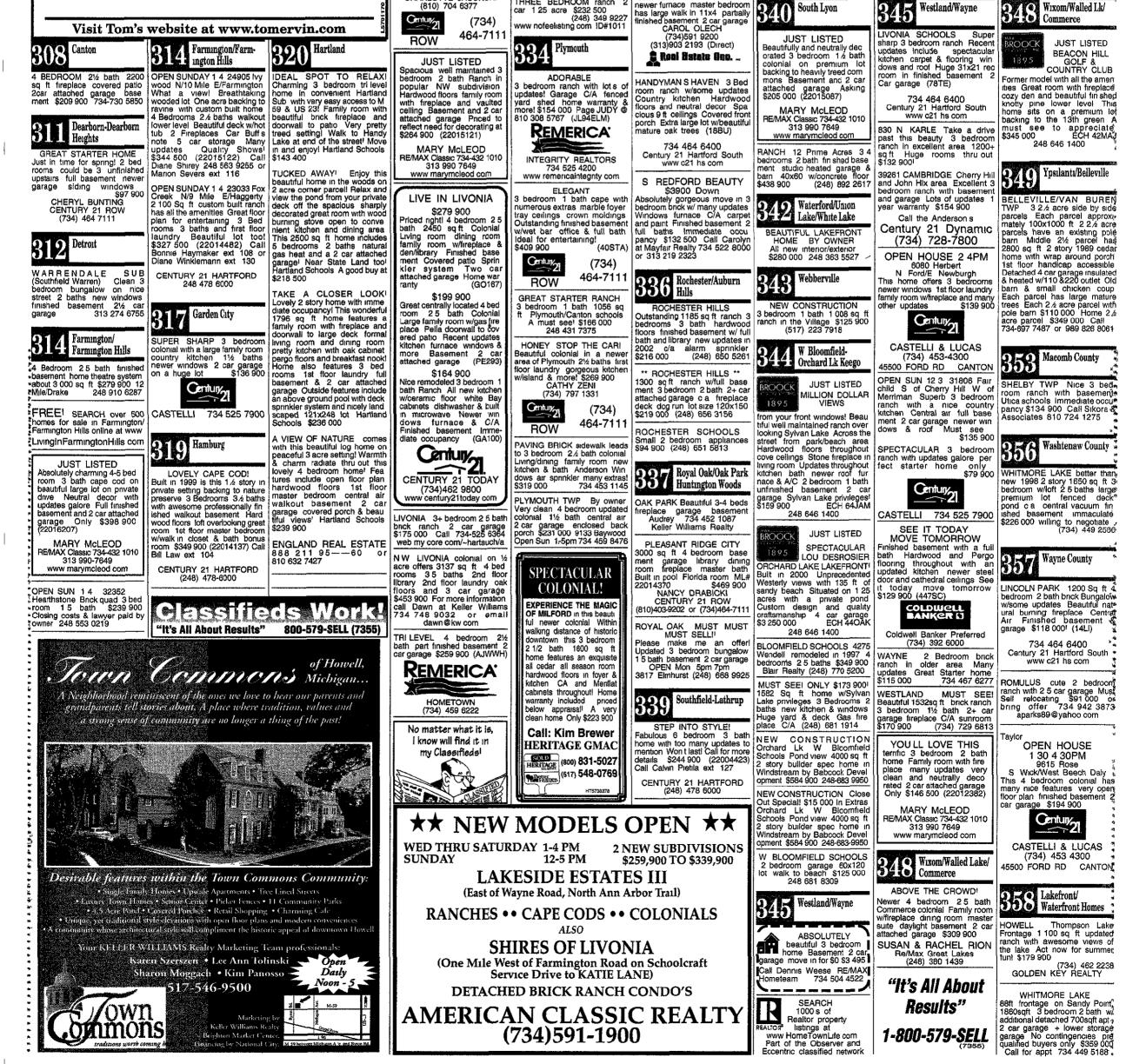
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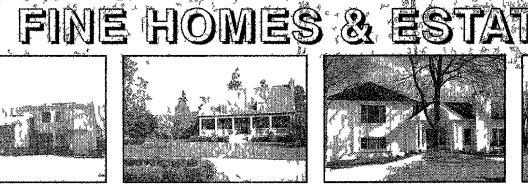
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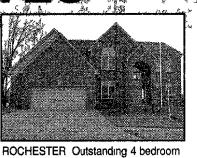
ONE OF A KIND! Immaculate home! Double door entry large open foyer Vaulted ceilings in GR DR LR Wide open floor plan 4 season sunroom with skylight Huge kitchen with island & plenty of counters & cabinets<sup>1</sup> \$318 000 (35NOW) 734 455 5600



ALL BRICK GEORGIAN COLONIAL Front and back Grand Hotel style porches Super large rooms with 2 fire places 2 full and 2 half baths 1st floor laundry A/C and 4th bedroom in lower level Extra walk in closets \$330 000 (07AYL) 248 349 5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD 2 story contem porary with 4 bedrooms and 3/2 baths dock and beach privileges on Pine Lake one house from lake All recently updated too much to mention must see to appreciate \$599 900 (41BIR) 248 642 8100



2/2 bath newer custom colonial on a treed cul de sac lot Second story bridge cherry cabinetry hardwood and ceramic tile flooring Great room dining room library Jacuzzi \$439 000 (72CHA) 248 524 1600



OAKLAND Beautiful White kitchen with granite and all appliances 4 bed rooms wood floors 2 staircases 9 ft ceilings two story foyer and family room with fireplace. Community pool tennis and sidewalks \$399 900 (33BOL) 248 652 8000





your shopping will be finished. You must experience walking through this house Count the reasons to live here Approx 3100 sq ft 4 large bedroom high ceilings quiet cul de sac location \$480 000 (10HID) 248 626 8800



WOW! THIS IS IT! Wonderful condo w/open floor plan! 1st floor master suite w/gas FP walk in closet & full bath Large LR w/soaring ceilings Eat in kitchen w/doorwall to deck Upstairs BR w/private bath Walk out basement & loft \$274 900 (20PRE) 734 455 5600



LUXURY EXECUTIVE HOME Priced below appraisal 4 BR s 3 full and 2 half baths On over // acre tucked away deep in the sub Large gourmet kitchen w/butler s pantry Master suite w/sitting room Jacuzzi & oversized shower 2 FPs 2 furnaces and a 3+ car garage \$679 900 (46HOL) 248 349 5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD 3 BR 2/2 BA condo open and airy floor plan with high ceilings Backs to woods private located in cul de sac Kitchen with cherry cabinets some HWD floors 3 bay windows many closets large loft area as add I office LL W/O w/2 door walls \$399 999 (38LAK) 248 642 8100



TROY Many special features in this beautiful spotless 4 bedroom 21/2 bath colonial Full finished basement with kitchen Island kitchen with two pantries Wonderful landscaping with two tier decking across back \$379 900 (57SEN) 248 524 1600



**ROCHESTER HILLS Immaculate** Redecorated 4 bedroom 2/2 bath home with two story foyer master bedroom with cathedral ceiling walk in closet Jacuzzi tub and separate shower Sec ond floor laundry and family room fire place \$315 900 (16THA) 248 652 8000



UNUSUAL HOME This is the one you ve been looking for! Nestled on a private drive on acreage features 6 bedrooms and 4 baths for the large family You II love the pond plus the in ground pool \$499 900 (62MAP) 248 ē26 8800

PORARY Stunning 4 bedroom 3/2

bath custom in every detail walls of

glass windows extensive use of fine

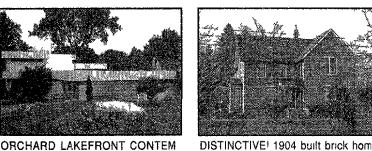
marble & granite magnificent 2nd floor

master bedroom with walk in closet &

awesome master bath Finished w/o LL \$2 200 000 (28ORC) 248 626 8800



Approx 100 year old home on 1.5 acres! 3 bedrooms 2 baths and room to roam! Newer viny! siding A/C and copper plumbing Fireplace in living room with parlor Mud room \$329 900 (00SEV) 734 455 5600



DISTINCTIVE! 1904 built brick home on over an acrel Great bed & breakfast potential Large circular drive 2 car garage and pole barn 5 bedrooms 2 baths approx 3200 sq ft Dining room with oak built ins. Upper level laundry \$348 500 (04SHE) 734 455 5600





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# FINE HOMES & ESTATES







TROY 4 bedroom 21/2 bath colonial on a park like lot with Troy schools Library living and dining rooms 1st floor laundry family room with cathe dral ceiling Newer roof and many win dows Immediate occupancy \$349 900 (16PAR) 248 524 1600





home with custom features throughout 4 BR 3/2 BA in law quarters full W/O LL to private wooded grounds Granite floors & counters cherry cabinets FP in LR & FR Zoned heating/cooling central vac security & sound system \$679.900 (31YAR) 248 363 1200



FLAWLESS ALMOST NEW 4 BED ROOM West Bloomfield home with many enticing upgrades 2 story foyer is just the beginning of the many splen did surprises Walled Lake Schools \$529 000 (48MIL) 248 363 1200



GORGEOUS COLONIAL 4 bedroom 2 bath in a newer subdivision with a 1st floor laundry library central air walk in closet master bedroom suite family room 2 skylights 3 car garage Moti vated seller \$415 000 (29STI) 248 626 8800

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UPDATED STATELY COLONIAL 4 bedroom 2 bath 2 lav custom kitchen 2 fireplaces 1st floor laundry HWD firs home office Recessed light ing private yard w/hot tub & brick paver patio Crown molding butler's pantry \$424 900 (51WAT) 248 626 8800





PICTURESQUE WOODED LOT Approx 1 acre 4 spacious bedrooms 31/2 baths and custom throughout Private deck off master suite 2 story great room with fireplace Finished walk out basement Extensive land scaping with lighting \$529 900 (01SIL) 248 349 5600



REMARKABLE BUY IN WOODSIDE

VILLAGE 4 bedroom 2/2 bath colonial

with white bay island kitchen with Jenn

Aire appliances cathedral ceilings

master with jetted tub and custom

BUILDER'S PERSONAL HOME! Cus tom touches and upgrades thruout! 1st floor master suite with luxury bath 2nd master upstairs tool Professionally fin ished walk out level with full kitchen 2 fireplaces and sun room with hot tub \$589 900 (01DEE) 734 455 5600



CONTEMPORARY CAPE COD 2 story entrance soaring ceilings & bridgel Open floor plan 1st floor master suite incl Jacuzzi & separate shower & door wall off deck Hardwood floors in great room dining room and library \$539 750 (21DRI) 734 455 5600



ABSOLUTELY SPECTACULAR Cus tom built colonial with 4 BR s 3 a baths 4 FPs 3 car attached garage finished basement On approx 1 acre lot that is county living in the city Veranda sur rounding 3 sides of this 1996 rebuilt home \$875 000 (05BID) 248 349 5600

NORTHVILLE Magnificent huge con temporary brick and cedar 2 acre + dream estate surrounded by woods and pond just a mile from downtown 6 BR 4 BA built in 90 with quality and every amenity possible LR FR GR library finished walk out LL and 3+ car garage \$1 850 000 (01MAI) 248 642 8100



BLOOMFIELD TWP Stunning estate on approx 82 acre lot with wrought iron fence Luxurious master suite with sitting room fireplace and French doors to decks. Gourmet kitchen with glass breakfast room overlooking pool and gazebo Featured in Style Magazine \$839 000 (09MAL) 248 642 8100



KEEGO HARBOR Extensively remod eled Sylvan canal front home 3 BR 3 BA colonial has beautifully updated kitchen 2 story LR with inside outside FP to deck with hot tub Private balcony off MBR 2 car garage newer roof fur nace and A/C West Bimfld schools \$650 000 (07RUS) 248 642 8100



WEST BLOOMFIELD Fabulous 6 BR 4 1 bath home with an unusually large amount of living space 1st floor master suite overlooking woods Euro kitchen with island & granite counters Finished W/O w/BR bath & gym 3 car garage \$618 000 (69OAK) 248 642 8100



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WEST BLOOMFIELD Serene and beautiful home on golf course Newer hardwood floors kitchen baths library cherry built ins master bedroom dress ing area with custom cabinetry and steam shower Jacuzzi in bath family room with fireplace and wet bar \$329 000 (42GRÉ) 248 642 8100



TROY This beauty is loaded with cus tom features 3 fireplaces custom moldings Karastan carpet Profession ally finished basement with wet bar Cedar floors in bedroom closets Fourth bedroom being used as a loft office Warranty \$417 900 (35AUG) 248 524



TROY Beautiful 3 bedroom 2/2 bath ranch on a corner lot Updated kitchen newer roof Finished walk out base ment Expansive deck with gazebo Professionally landscaped with mature trees All neutral throughout \$335 000 (84FAL) 248 524 1600



BLOOMFIELD New built Unique cus tom all brick home with partially finished walkout Must see custom steel stair way oak hardwood floors cherry wood cabinets granite counter tops in kitchen and Pella windows \$639 900 (58MAP) 248 652 8000

LAKE ORION Exceptional waterfront

On Lake Orion canal Spectacular

wooded walk out site with deck gar

dens and dock on all sports lake Great

flowing design with butler's pantry den

4 bedrooms great room with fireplace

and back staircase \$543 000 (59LAK)

**BLOOMFIELD** Chalmers Lake access

Wonderful home on 1.6 acres with

beautiful treed private lot Hardwood

floors updated kitchen large living

room and family room with fireplaces

library with built ins appliances includ

248 652 8000





PRESTWICK GOLF COMMUNITY Gorgeous 4 BR 3/2 BA home with stun ning 2 story foyer and GR Spacious kitchen with hearth room and 2 way FP Large master suite fully landscaped C/A 3 car garage Golf course & golf membership included \$469 000 (05NAI) 248 363 1200



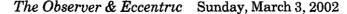
CUSTOM SOFT CONTEMPORARY Transfer forces sale of this exquisite 4 BR 3/2 BA builder s model situated off the 9th green at prestigious Prestwick Village 1st floor MBR with FP profes sionally decorated FP in GR wet bar Beautifully landscaped \$459 900 (39PRE) 248 363 1200

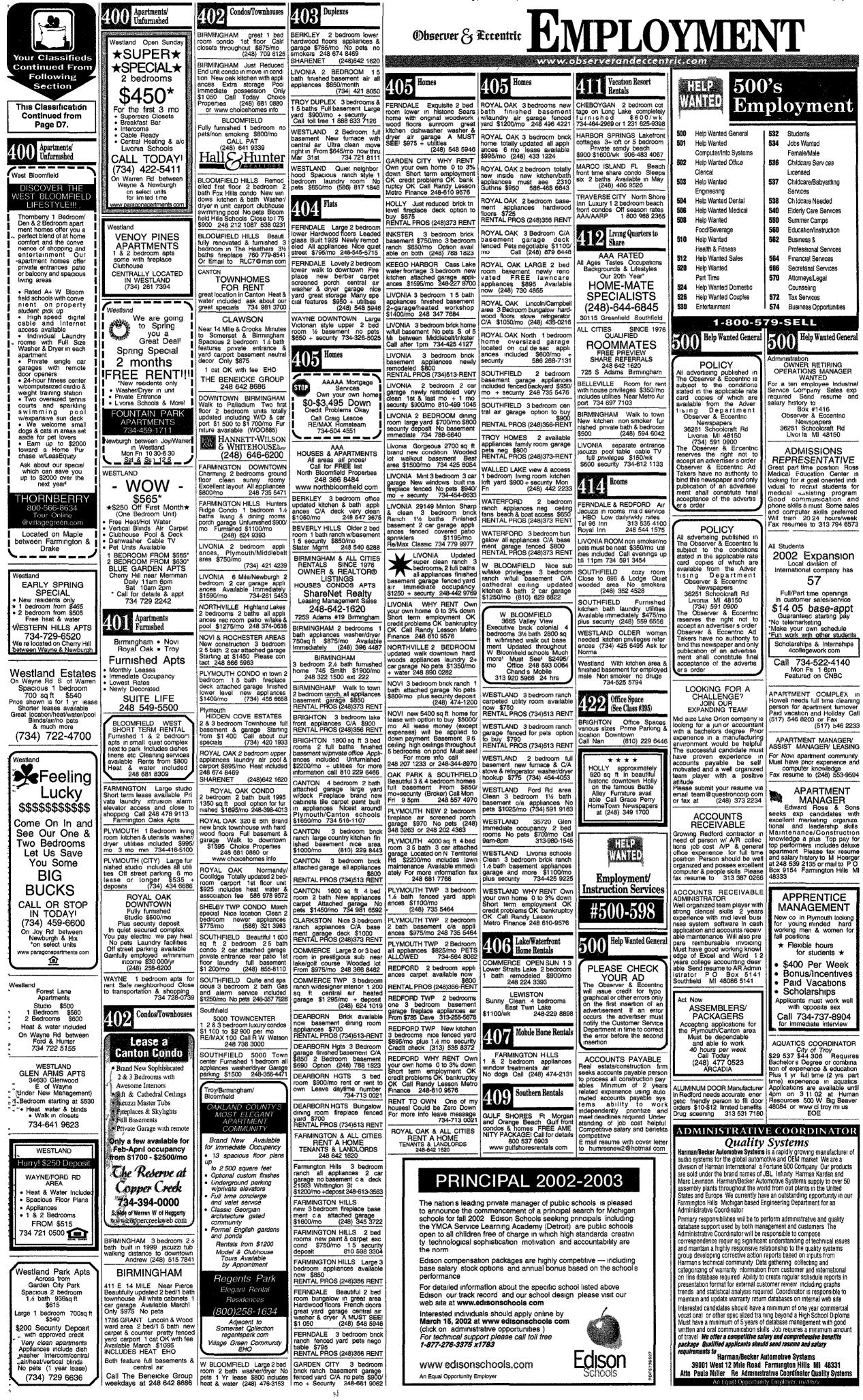


CEDAR ISLAND LAKEFRONT Gor geous frontage on Cedar Island Lake 3 bedroom 2 bath updated kitchen and windows Many more updates 2 fire places hot tub and gazebo all sports lake \$359 000 (88COL) 248 363 1200









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Singh Management Co, LLC professionally manages Class A apartment communities and Senior Housing Facilities built and owned by Singh Development Co. Ltd and are located in Oakland and Western Wayne Counties. Singh Management Co. LLC seeks to fill the following positions for its rapidly expanding portfolio of properties

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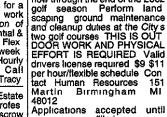
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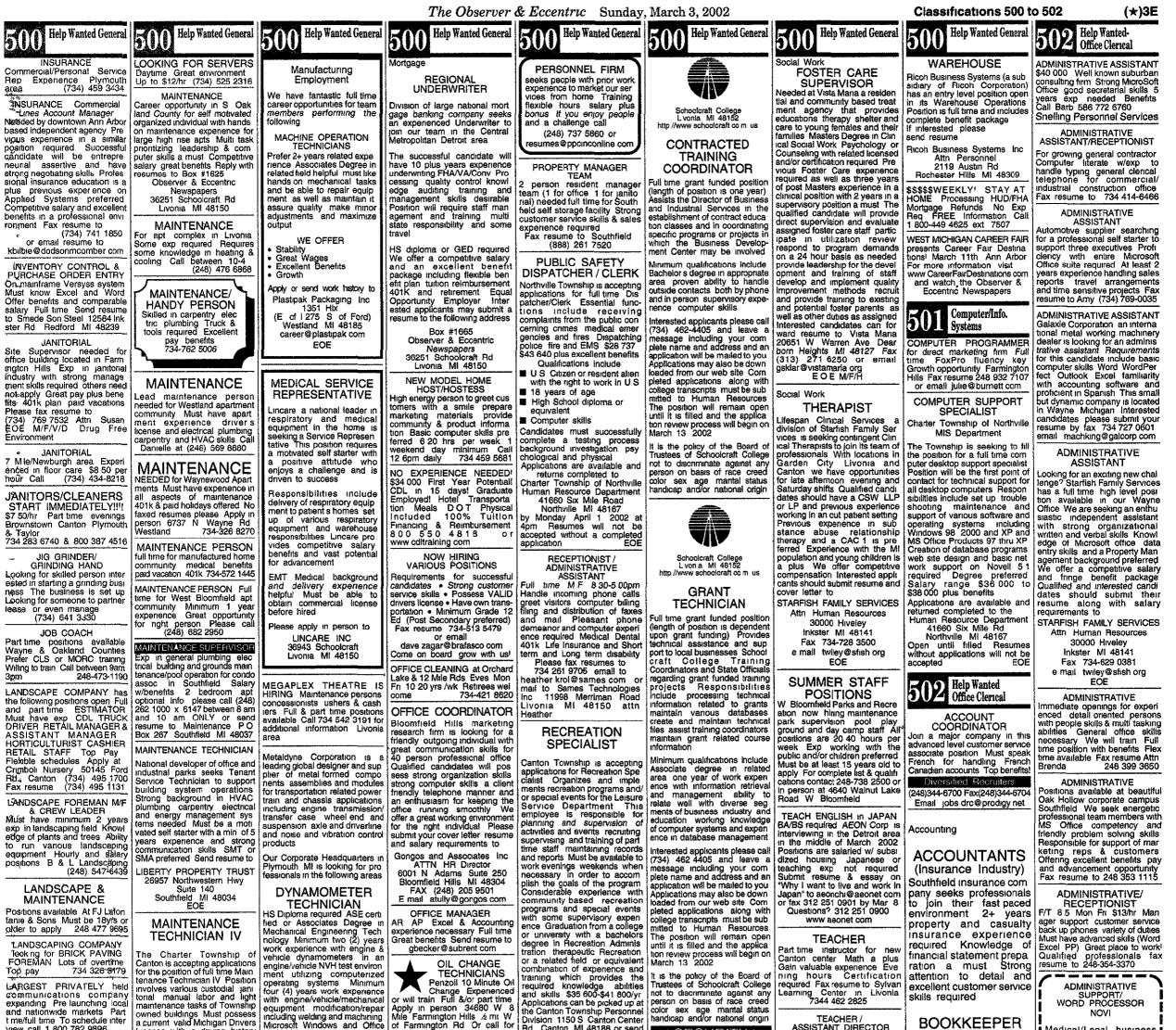
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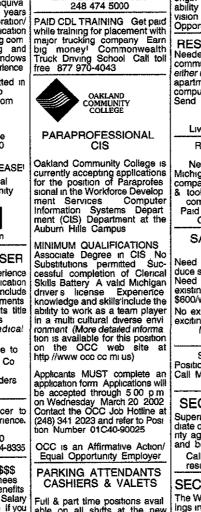
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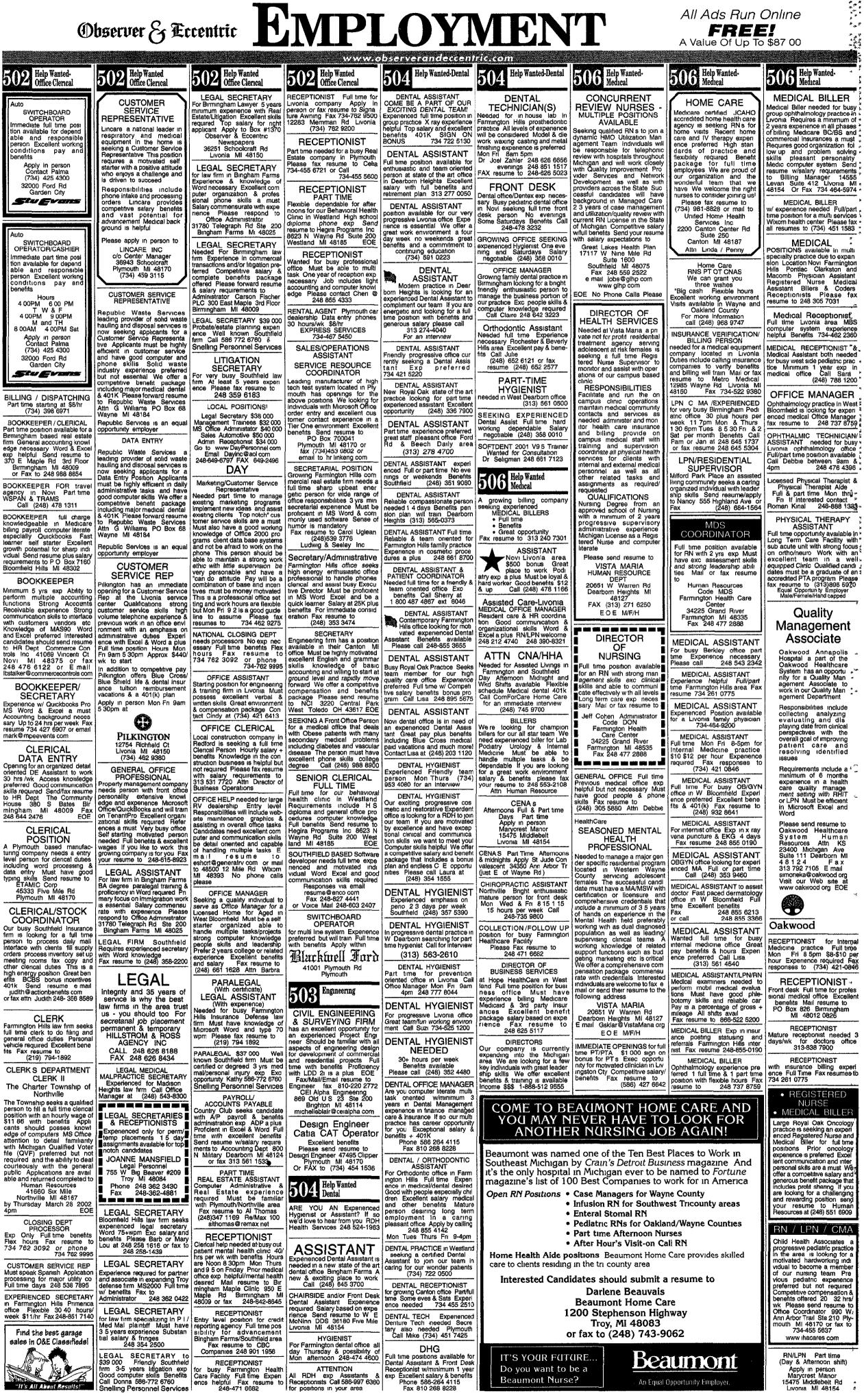
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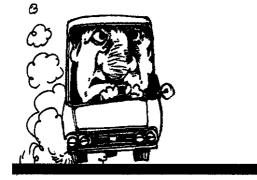


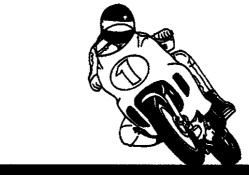


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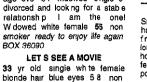
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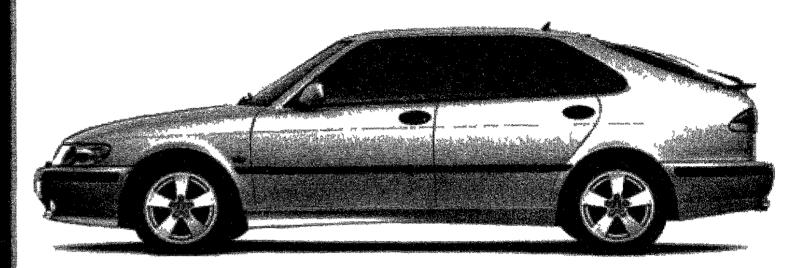
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