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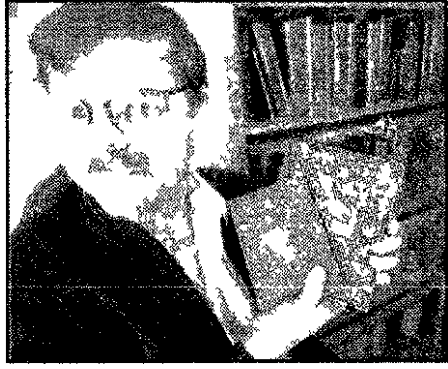
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Special performance: Nathan Gardner and fellow cast members of Plymouth Salem High School's production of Pippin may be a bit nervous, considering they'll perform for Stephen Schwartz, composer of the music and lyrics for Pippin, prior to a Broadway-style concert March 14 to benefit the theater program. /B1

AT HOME

In bloom: The plants will be blooming with color at the upcoming Michigan African Violet Society display at Matthaei Gardens and the Michigan Orchid Society show at Laurel Park Place. /C1

HOMETOWN LIFE



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Priceless: Bob Nelson claims to be just another guy juggling the obligations of work, family, church, and home. But he has found time to collect more than 100 priceless books, all first or extremely rare editions of works by the father of American literature, Mark Twain. /C5

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Welcome mat: Jennifer Tobin, left, and Stella Greene show off the house next to the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center that will be used for artist studios.

Donation gives PCAC room to grow

Exploring possibilities, Page B1

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Like any other home-buyer, the Plymouth Community Arts Council has been working hard to pay off its mortgage

Thanks to anonymous benefactors, the PCAC can now relax in the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts on Sheldon, now officially its home, sweet home

A donation, for which the donor wishes to remain anonymous, will allow the PCAC to pay off its mortgage and establish ArtsCo, an arts founda-

tion dedicated to maintaining and expanding the arts community in Plymouth

PCAC President David Williamson presented a check for the final mortgage payment to Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham at Saturday's annual

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Board settles Harvey lawsuit

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The fight is over
Plymouth Township officials, acting on the advice of lawyers for their insurance carrier, reached a settlement agreement this week with Rosemary Harvey over Harvey's Whistleblower lawsuit

Despite claims they had evidence to contradict everything Harvey's side was claiming, township officials agreed to the settlement after the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority told them they would drop out of the negotiations, leaving the township on its own financially

Although exact dollar figures were not available at press time, the sides were about \$25,000 apart, plus the cost of lifetime medical insurance for Harvey and her children. The township had reportedly come up to the mediation figure of \$140,000, while Harvey had been asking for \$165,000 plus the insurance

The settlement figure is reportedly somewhere in between, although township officials confirmed the lifetime medical insurance is no longer on the table. The settlement will be completely covered by insurance, and will not come from township funds

Neither Marvin Stempien, the lawyer representing Harvey, nor lawyers for the MMRMA returned phone calls about the case

The settlement reverses the position of the township, officials of which wanted the suit to go to trial

"The change in the township's position is a result of our insurance carrier's

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Federal judge kicks out Prose's lawsuit

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A federal district court judge has dismissed all claims by former Plymouth resident Tom Prose in his \$100 million civil rights lawsuit against the City of Plymouth and eight other defendants

In the lawsuit filed Sept. 18, 1999, Prose claimed his civil rights were violated when W. Edward Wendover, then publisher of the Community Crier newspaper, city officials and Plymouth police conspired to file charges of disorderly conduct against Prose during his legal battles with Wendover

However, in his ruling, U.S. District Court Judge John Corbett O'Meara denied Prose's motion for summary judgment. O'Meara, instead, granted all the

defendants summary judgment, which cleared them of any damages

"I never thought \$100 million was a reasonable figure in the first place," said Mayor Bill Graham after hearing the news. "I didn't see any merit to the lawsuit. I thought our police department acted appropriately. There was no violation of his civil rights."

Despite the ruling, made public Tuesday, a day before a court conference in a nearly identical state lawsuit in Wayne County Circuit Court, Prose said he will press on

"Given virtually an identical motion, the state judge ruled in our favor and we're going to trial," said Prose. "The federal judge ruled against us and we're going to appeal."

Prose must appeal within 30 days to the U.S. Sixth

Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. "No, I'm not surprised," said attorney Gus Morris of Cox, Hodgman & Garmarco in Troy, who is representing the city. "The federal judge correctly applied the law. I'm gratified the judge did the right thing."

Morris is hoping the federal ruling will lead to a similar judgment in Circuit Court before the trial begins

The state lawsuit is scheduled for trial in May in front of Wayne County Circuit Court Judge William Giovan. During Wednesday's settlement conference, Morris said Giovan said he'd accept a motion to dismiss the state case. Morris said he would do that within the next 14 days

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Portable skate park on its way to Plymouth

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Tyler Simescu, 13, of Plymouth, said he "thought it would be cool" to have a skate board park constructed in Plymouth

A skate park in Brighton allowed skateboards but not bicycles. Others in Dearborn and Roseville permitted both, but were fairly costly. Besides, all were just too far away

And, skateboarding in downtown Plymouth wasn't a feasible alternative. "We've been warned by police officers to stop, or it would cost us a \$70 fine," said Simescu

So, the West Middle School student put a plan into action. He researched the idea of building a skate park in the city, and set an appointment with City

Manager Paul Sincock

"I made a Power Point presentation, and showed him, along with a speech I prepared," Simescu said. "I just gave him the facts, telling about different kinds of skate parks, which are mostly either cement or wooden. He didn't promise me anything, but said it was a good idea."

Sincock said the teen's presentation was convincing

"Tyler did a lot of legwork and research," admitted Sincock. "He was very well prepared and had the answers to questions that any administrator would ask"

"We talked about several different ideas, brainstormed a bit, and came up with the idea of a portable skate park," added

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Powerful point: Thirteen-year-old Tyler Simescu worked with City Manager Paul Sincock on the portable skate park project

One night only

The Park Players host Grammy-, Tony- and Academy Award-winning composer Stephen Schwartz for a one-night-only concert, *Stephen Schwartz & Friends*, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14 in the Gloria Logan Auditorium for the Performing Arts at Salem High School.

Tickets are \$40 for reserved seating and are available by calling the school, (734) 416-7723. Credit card orders are being accepted by phone through the Plymouth Community Arts Council, (734) 416-4ART.

The concert features a performance by Schwartz, joined by Tony Award winner Debbie Gravitte and New York cabaret singer Scott Coulter. Schwartz is the composer-lyricist for Broadway hits such as *Godspell*, *Pippin*, *The Magic Show* and *Children of Eden*. He also provided lyrics to the Disney films *Pocahontas* and *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*.

DAR meets

The Sarah Ann Cochrane Plymouth-Northville Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution sponsor their annual meeting and sandwich luncheon at noon Monday, March 18 at the home of Susan Ganz on Plymouth Ridge Drive.

The guest speaker will be Liz Kerstens, whose program will be "Organize to Make Your Genealogical Filing System Work for You." The program is open to all DAR members. For more information, call Susan Ganz at (734) 254-0085.

Theater fund-raiser

The Educational Excellence Foundation serving Plymouth-Canton Community Schools sponsors a dinner theater fund-raiser at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 22.

The evening includes a special dinner in the Plymouth Rock Cafe prepared and served by

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Culinary Arts students, followed by a performance of *Pippin* from reserved seats in the Gloria Logan Theater. Tickets for the event are \$50 each, with only 100 tickets available.

Proceeds from this event will be used for much-needed repairs to the theater. Call 420 7010 Monday-Thursday mornings to reserve tickets. The Educational Excellence Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that funds curricular based projects that enhance teaching and learning in the Plymouth-Canton Schools. EEF is also a fiduciary advisor for scholarships benefiting Plymouth-Canton students.

Youth exchange

The Plymouth Rotary is looking for host families who would like to benefit from having a student from a foreign country at their home for three to six months of the 2003-2004 school year.

"The Youth Exchange program is one of the most important programs Rotary International is involved in," said George Davinich of the Plymouth Rotary. "Students from all over the world are given a chance to live in a foreign country for a year, paid for by Rotary International."

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For more information, call Jan Eisen, (734)

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Symphony concert

Beethoven's Ninth is coming to Plymouth! The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra invites the public to come out and celebrate freedom with a performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony featuring the Plymouth Oratorio Society, Eastern Michigan University Choir and the Plymouth Counsellors Chorale at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 16 at the Our Lady of Good Counsel Church (located on the northwest corner of Beck and North Territorial).

Guest composer Hilary Tann will visit for the performance of her work *The Open Field* in Memorial Tiananmen Square. The concert is also a special memorial tribute to PSO founder Carl F. Groschke.

The performance of Beethoven stars guest vocalists soprano Karin White, mezzo soprano M. Rachel Andrews, tenor Christopher D. Meerdink and bass baritone Donald Hartmann.

Audience members are encouraged to arrive at 7:15 p.m. to enjoy the on-stage pre-concert presentation with Tann and Music Director/Conductor Nan Washburn. Following the performance, ticket holders are welcome to mingle with the PSO stars at a reception in the Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Social Hall. These activities are sponsored by Johnson Controls, the Plymouth Symphony League, and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.

Concert tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12.50 for seniors and college students. School age children (K-12) are admitted free to all subscription concerts. This concert is an eligible Passport to the Arts & Culture and Service Club Challenge event. Groups of 10 or more receive a 10% discount.

For tickets or more information, please contact the Symphony Office at 734-451-2112 or at plymouthsymphony@aol.com

City meets budget crunch without dipping

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Two weeks after telling commissioners the city faced budget shortfalls totaling nearly \$700,000, Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincock said the problem has been mitigated, without dipping into the \$1.3 million in cash reserves that have been accumulated over the past four years.

Despite the good news, Commissioner Stella Greene had some harsh words for the State of Michigan, which contributed to the problem with cuts of \$225,000 in state revenue sharing funds, as well as \$34,000 in gas and weight taxes.

"This has a tremendous impact on what we do locally, on how we provide the kinds of services we pride ourselves on in this community," said Greene. "They (the state) can't continue to arbitrarily hit us so hard with these kinds of reductions without there being a serious impact on the local level."

"It's not going to be just this year, but in successive years, if we don't continue to let them know it's unacceptable," she said. "They talk about local control and doing our job at the local level. Well, we can't when they treat us like this."

The reduction of revenues from the state, as well as an increase of \$200,000 in health care costs and another \$200,000 in reserves for possible Michigan Tax Tribunal appeals by DTE Energy, Consumers Energy and AT&T Wireless forced the city to amend its budget.

"It was our goal administrative-ly, and the commission agreed, to

make every effort not to dip into the \$1.3 million in cash reserves," said Sincock. "To meet the challenge head on, we feel we've come up with some creativeness to meet the challenges without affecting last year's general fund, the prior year's surplus, or the \$550,000 budget stabilization fund."

Most of the savings came in the form of salaries from positions which had been budgeted for this year, but have yet to be filled. Those include an assistant city manager's position, the police commander slot, two police officers, and two Municipal Service Department positions. Sincock announced the two police officers and one of the DMS workers are expected to be hired by the end of the fiscal year.


Sincock said another area of savings came from reduced debt service costs from bond issues.

"Delayed bonding because some of our projects are late in the fiscal year, rather than early in the fiscal year," he said. "Mainly the expansion of the Cultural Center because of the delay in the state authorization of the contract. That results in some savings until the next fiscal year."

Mayor Bill Graham is concerned about the effect of this year's savings on next year's budget.

"The city administration has done a good job going back through the budget to pick away at areas," he said. "But, my greatest concerns are the deferrals, police officers not being in place, or bond debt not being currently required of us. I'm concerned about what the next budget will look like."

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Just a trim: Hair dresser Tiffane Barackman gets ready to cut Amanda Wroblewski's hair while speaking at Central Middle School's career day



Under the knife: Operating room nurse Kris Campbell, center, sets up a mock surgery with mock patient seventh-grader Allen Williams and other students during career day

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Career choices

Kids get bird's-eye view of professions

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Dr Harsh Dalal, clad with a green hospital gown, tan surgeon's hat and white rubber gloves, was ready to begin the operation

"Scalpel," Dalal requested of his assistant He made an incision and stopped, unsure of what to do next

"You've got to stop the bleeding," suggested Kris Campbell, an operating room nurse "Ask for the electro cautery to stop the bleeding before there's blood all over"

Dr Dalal, attempting to pronounce *kaw tuh ry*, received the common operating room tool and stopped the bleeding before resuming the operation

Dr Dalal, a 13 year-old Canton Township seventh grader, was finding out first hand what it's like to be in a real operating room as part of Central Middle School's 16th annual Career Day on Wednesday

"It was harder than I thought," commented Dalal about his operating room experience "You

have to really pay attention and worry about the patient"

Campbell, a nurse at St Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor put together an operating room setting in one of the classrooms to give a hands on experience to students

"I want them to be excited about health care professions said Campbell, of Plymouth Township "There's a huge nursing shortage, and these kids are young enough that I would love to see new nurses coming into the profession"

At one of the other 40 career sessions, Don Schneider had a roomful of students captivated while he was demonstrating glass blowing "One of the dangers is that it can get at least 800 degrees," he said

Schneider asked students what careers they were interested in, and two boys proclaimed they wanted to be professional athletes The glass blower from Plymouth had some sage advice

"I hope you go to school because you could get injured But if you have an education, you can still work in sports, but maybe just not as a professional athlete" Schneider said "If you keep your options open with lots of education, you'll

be able to do anything in life you decide to do"

Interior decorator Nicki Wilson told students the business world is a two-way street

"You need to help people get the most for their money, but at the same time make money for yourself," she said

Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, whose daughter attends Central, spoke of the importance of getting a good education

Math is important because I am responsible for a \$65 million budget Science is important because one of the 40 divisions in my office is the environmental division Social studies is important in everything I do because I'm in the government And, writing and reading is important for writing memos and briefs, and arguing in court" she said

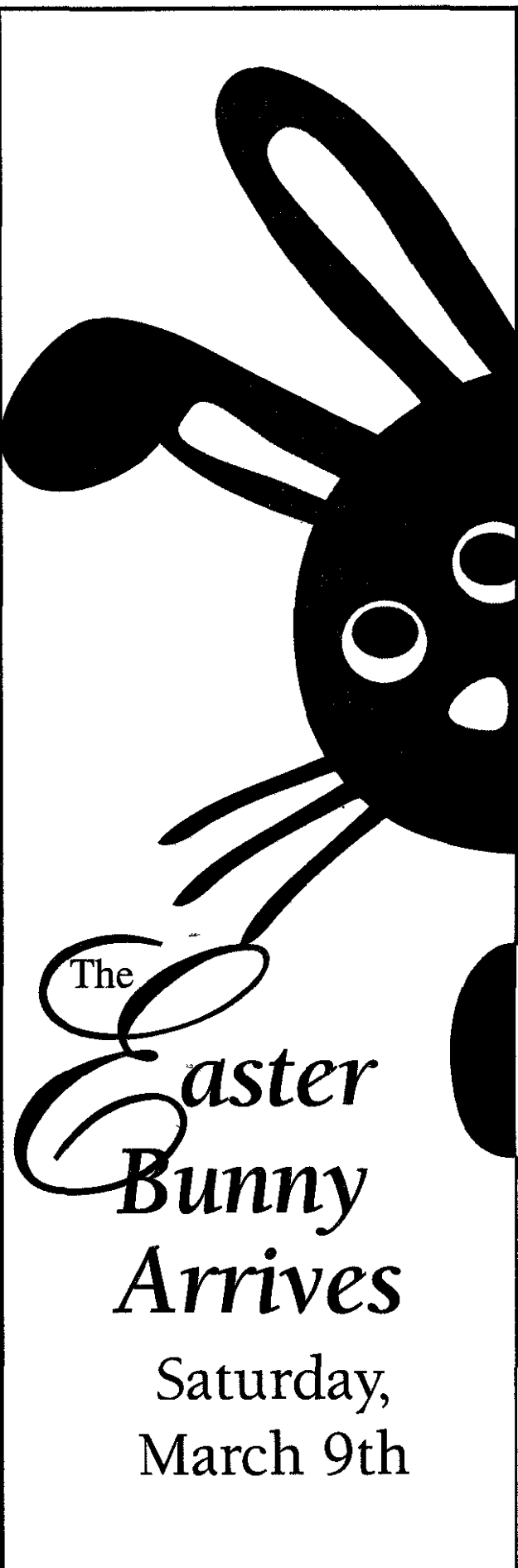
Kristina Joseph, 13, of Canton, chose to attend career sessions with an orthodontist, a nurse and the military for her three choices

"I learned you have to go to college," she said "In order to get a job you need to have a background about it and have information in order to do it"



Greetings: Michigan Attorney General Jennifer Granholm shakes hands and greets eighth-grader Summer Diehl during Central Middle School's Career day Wednesday.

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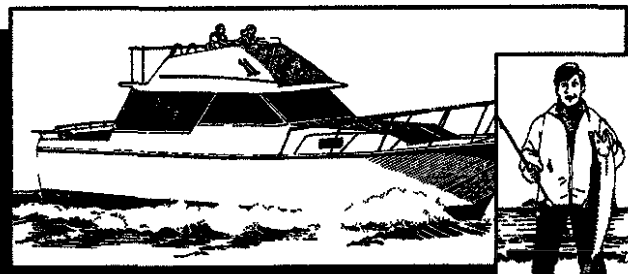
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Response good to Citizens Academy

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Tom Tiderington is discovering something he has believed since his arrival in town is true. There is a pocket of people who want to know more about how the Plymouth Township Police Department works.

Response to the department's Citizens Academy has been so positive it has spawned yet another idea for the new police chief: civilian volunteers.

More than 20 people have already returned applications to the Citizens Academy, which will give ordinary citizens a crash course on the kinds of things police officers have to deal with on a daily basis. Deadline for application is March 13, and Tiderington figures the class will have to be kept to about 25 people at a time.

Those students will spend a couple of hours every Wednesday from April 10 to June 5 at township hall, learning about, among other things, accident investigation, training requirements, patrol operations, the K-9 unit, the detective bureau and alcohol enforcement.

Students will also spend time in the firearms training simula-

tor. "Response to the academy has been tremendous," Tiderington said. "This is something we hope to do on an annual basis, so even if there are people who can't get into this one, they'll get their chance down the road."

Buoyed by the response to the academy, the chief and his staff have begun identifying tasks that could be accomplished by civilian volunteers, thereby releasing officers to be on the road "where they belong," the chief said.

"At this point, we're trying to identify tasks volunteers would be suited for," Tiderington said. "The academy is the first step."

Those tasks could include clerical duties such as typing and filing, and other duties that would free up time for the department's officers.

"I'm convinced there's a group of people who would like to spend time in the police department," Tiderington said. "And it would be beneficial for us to have them."

Anyone interested in taking part in the academy should call Officer Jamie Senkbeil, (734) 354 3243.

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Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth will accept sealed bids until 2:00 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, March 19, 2002, at 201 South Main Street, at which time all proposals received shall be publicly opened and read aloud for:

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

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er's increasing desire to settle the case," Supervisor Steve Mann said "The settlement is completely a business decision based on economics. Had we allowed the insurance carrier to withdraw for the settlement amount currently on the table, and the township continued to defend ourselves, it would have been at the cost of our tax dollars.

According to Mann, the township had satisfied its \$75,000 deductible some time ago, and has spent no further money on the case. Had the township decided not to settle, and had gone on without the backing of its insurance carrier, much more township money would have been at risk.

"This is a disappointing event given the principle of the case and the wealth of evidence exonerating the township," Mann said "However, it's a decision that had to be made, based on

economics and protection of our tax dollars. I am not willing to put those tax dollars at risk."

Township treasurer Ron Edwards was unhappy with the idea of settling, but understood the business aspect of it. The only individual targeted in Harvey's suit, Edwards has long expressed a desire to have his day in court.

"It's a business decision by the insurance carrier, (but) I'm not happy about it," said Edwards. "We have a wealth of evidence to show what (Harvey) was claiming were things she actually did in the past, and were things I've never done."



Hail to the chief: Traci Sincock of Plymouth is inaugurated as president of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association by past president Andy Lang.

Plymouth woman is president of MRPA

Traci Sincock of Plymouth, director of Northville Parks and Recreation since 1993, has been elected president of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association.

As president of the MRPA, of which she has been a member since 1978, Sincock will chair all meetings of the Board of Directors and executive committees, and serve as the Great Lakes Regional Council for the National Recreation and Park Association in Washington, D.C. The MRPA is a statewide asso-

ciation of parks and recreation professionals based in Lansing. Founded in 1935, the MRPA is a non profit association representing the public and private sectors of the recreation and park industry.

Membership includes a diverse group of professionals including tourism, recreation, parks, therapeutics, senior citizens, resorts, arts, athletics, education, and business people. The association serves the interests of leisure service professionals and citizen advocates throughout Michigan.

District hands out Extra Miler awards

Members of the Plymouth Canton Board of Education honored second quarter recipients of the Volunteers in Public Schools and Extra Miler Awards. A reception was held on Tuesday, Feb. 26, just prior to a regular Board of Education Meeting.

Community members were noted for providing leadership, organizational skills and efforts on numerous projects, benefiting the programs and students of Plymouth-Canton. The community members who received the Volunteers in Public Schools award were Kimberly Pierce from Farrand Elementary, Dorothy Wolcott from Bird Elementary and Kelly Warkoczeski who volunteers as the Clothing Bank Manager.

Plymouth-Canton employees who have shown outstanding leadership and dedication to the programs, classes and most importantly the students, received the Extra Miler Award for their efforts. Those receiving this award during the second quarter of the school year were Mary Ann Foss from Central Middle School, Michelle Sykora and Debbie Devlin from Bentley Elementary and Kim Delinski from Allen Elementary.

All of the recipients received a certificate of recognition, a pin of the Flag of Liberty and Learning, and a dinner gift certificate, presented by various members of the Board of Education.

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City promotes veteran

Steve Faiman, a 14-year veteran with the City of Plymouth, was promoted to foreman/crew leader for the city's Department of Municipal Services. Faiman is a city resident and he has held a number of positions within the Department of Municipal Services. The new position is effective immediately.

"Steve is extremely knowledgeable and dedicated to the city," City Manager Paul Smeck said. "He has always been dependable and willing to come in and work on an emergency situation at any time of the day or night and he has an excellent working relationship with the members of our crew. We are pleased that Steve

is continuing his career path with the city and as an employer we are pleased to be able to provide this type of professional advancement."

In his new role, Faiman will share responsibility for Municipal Services field crew supervision as well as assisting in coordinating the city's response to after-hour situations, including water main breaks as well as snow and ice storms. He will also share responsibilities at the City's Riverside Cemetery including the sale of lots and crypts.

Faiman joins the Department of Municipal Services Supervisory Team that includes Scott Baker and Bernie Olsen.

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Defendants in the lawsuits include Wendover, his wife Sally Repeck, the City of Plymouth, former police chief Bob Scoggins, Lt Ed Ochal, former Crier employee Mike Carne, former mayors Don Dismuke and Joe Koch and former city manager

Steve Walters. "We said all along it's logorrhea," said Wendover of the federal lawsuit. "He (Prose) should be made to pay for all the time and legal costs for us and the city on this and all the other lawsuits which he has lost."

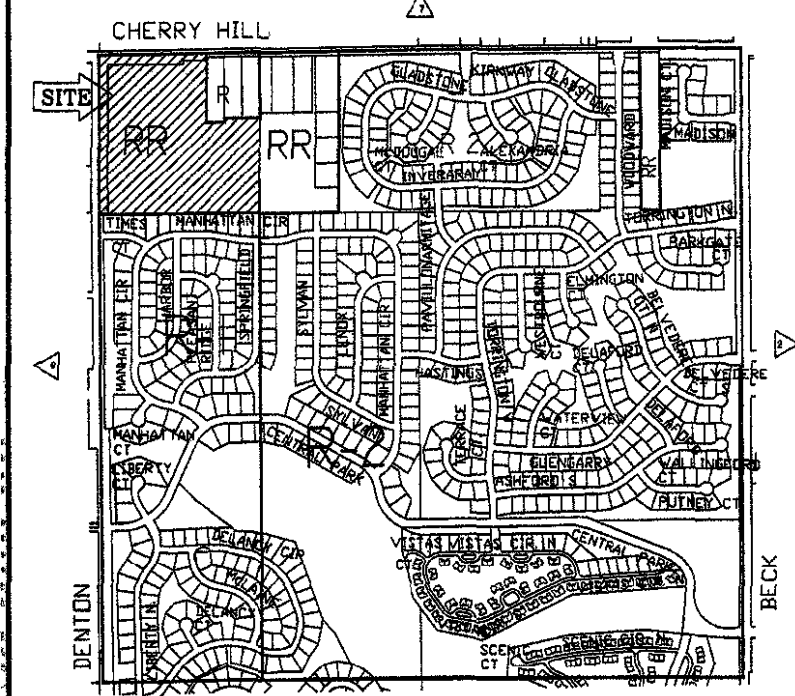
PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

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CHERRY HILL GARDENS PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - PRELIMINARY PLAN. CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS 078 99 0009 707. Property is located on the southeast corner of Cherry Hill and Beck Roads. (First Public Hearing)

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman
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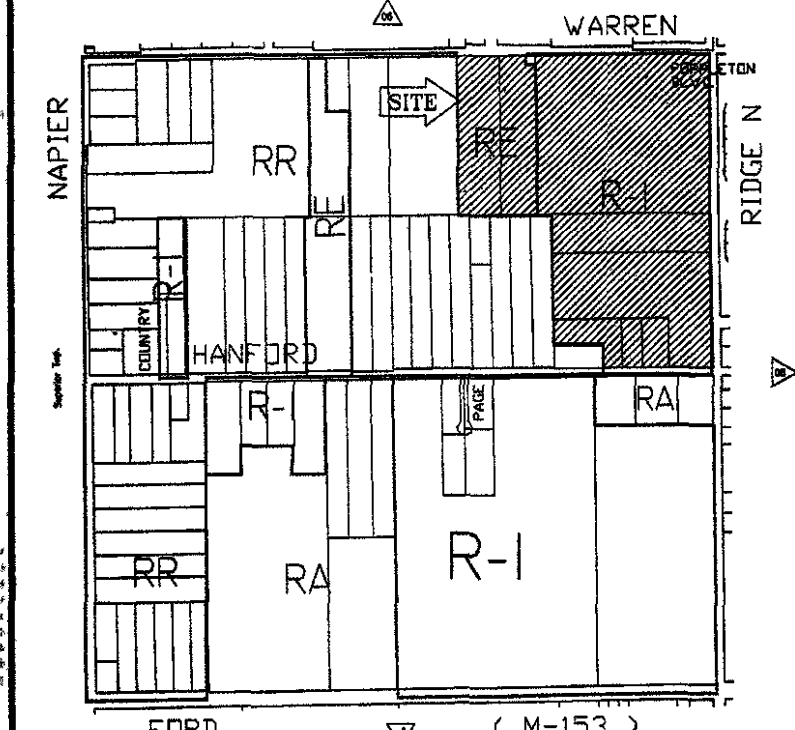
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WESTCHESTER VILLAGE-SINGH PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN. CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS 025 99 0001 002, 025 99 0001 004, 025 99 0001 005, 025 99 0001 007, 025 99 0001 008, 025 99 0001 009, 025 99 0001 710, AND 025 99 0001 711. Property is located west of Ridge Road between Warren and Hanford Roads. (Second Public Hearing)

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OBITUARIES

RICHARD J. GALLISON

Services for Richard Gallison, 46, of Canton were held March 5 at Trinity Presbyterian Church in Plymouth Township with the Rev. William C. Moore officiating. Mr. Gallison was born Jan. 11, 1956 in Detroit and died March 2 in Ann Arbor. He was a technician with General Motors at the Hamtramck plant. He moved to Canton in 1981 from Westland. He attended Trinity Presbyterian Church in Plymouth Township. He was an avid comic collector and coin collector. He loved watching old movies. He was a loving husband and father and loved his brother and sisters.

Mr. Gallison was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Lillian Gallison.

Survivors include his wife, Lorraine of Canton, brother Randy (Dorothy) Gallison of White Lake, sisters Lynne Gallison of Plymouth and Lee (Doug) McCrumb of Canton, and father- and mother-in-law, Len (Betty) Newton.

Memorial contributions may be made to Gift Of Life.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

RICHARD J. MOLYNEAUX
Services for Richard Molyneaux, 67, of Plymouth were held Feb. 28 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. Jack Quinlan officiating. Mr. Molyneaux was born May 19, 1934 in Chicago Heights, Ill. and died Feb. 24 in Plymouth. He was a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was employed in computer sales.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Dorothy Molyneaux.

Survivors include wife, Cecily A. Molyneaux of Plymouth, daughter, Leah A. (David) Price of Denver, N.C., son, John D. (Pamela) Molyneaux of Ponte Verda, Fla., and grandchildren, Derek and Bennett Molyneaux and Aidan and Brynn Price.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John Neumann Catholic Church.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

HAROLD JOSEPH SMITH
Services for Harold Smith, 82, of Canton, were held March 5 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Charney officiating. Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Mr. Smith was born Dec. 22,

1919 in Detroit and died March 2 in Canton Township. He was a veteran of World War II, having served honorably and earning several citations, among them the American Defense Service Ribbon, the American Theater Ribbon, two Bronze Battle Stars of the Asiatic-Pacific Theater, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Battle Star, six Overseas Service Bars and a Good Conduct Medal. He was a member of VFW Post #6695 in Plymouth and also the American Legion Post #0032 in Westland. He was a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church. He was employed as a truck driver.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Evelyn P. Smith, and brothers, Burrell (Norbert) Smith and Richard Smith.

Survivors include son, Richard (Patricia) Smith of Clinton Township, son, Gerard (Stephane) Smith of Canton, son, Bernard (Christin) Smith of Jackson, brother, Ronald Smith of Taylor, sister, Julianna Smith of Fitzgerald, Ga., and grandchildren, April, Dana, Jeremy, Jennifer, Julianne and Elisabeth.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Henry Ford, One Ford Place, Ste. 5A, Detroit, MI 48202.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

MARIAN MAE WALSH
Services for Marian Walsh, 73, of Livonia, were held March 7 at the First Baptist Church of Wayne with the Rev. Larry Rowland officiating. Mrs. Walsh was born Dec. 4, 1928 in Ann Arbor and died March 2 in Livonia. She was a retired secretary in the Plymouth-Canton community school system. She came to the Livonia community in 1959 from Plymouth. She loved going to garage sales and especially enjoyed her grandchildren.

Mrs. Walsh was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald.

Survivors include daughter, Leigh (Gill) Adams of Westland, daughter, Lori (Chuck) Mellas of

Westland, son, Jeffrey (Nanette) Walsh of Delray Beach, Fla., 16 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and brother, Jerry (Joyce) Bakewell of Adrian.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

FRANK DALE YAGIELA
Services for Frank Yagiela, 78, of Livonia, will be held March 15 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Mr. Yagiela was born Oct. 10, 1923 in Hamtramck and died March 2 in Livonia. He retired from General Motors after 36 years of service. He was a superintendent at the Hydramatic Plant. He came to the Livonia community in 1958. He was a self-taught engineer and was a member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers. He was named on several patents in gear checking and design. He was an avid gardener, loved to play chess and travel. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather.

Survivors include wife, Helen Yagiela of Livonia, sons Dale Yagiela of Northville and Randy Yagiela of Tecumseh, daughter, Nancy (Peter) Yagiela-Spring of Grand Rapids, four grandchildren, Heather, Andrew, Lauren, and Emily, and daughter-in-law, Elaine Yagiela.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

KENNETH E. WANGBICHLER
Services for Kenneth Wangbichler, 58, of Canton Township were held March 8 at L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Canton Chapel. Mr. Wangbichler was born Dec. 13, 1943 in Detroit and died March 4 at Henry Ford Hospital. He was a manager at an automotive company.

Survivors include wife, Sandra, daughter, Marg (Bob) Budlong, son, Ken (Angela), mother, Esther Paternel, brothers, Bob and Steve, sisters, Sally Witt and Patty Paternel, and three grandchildren.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Canton Township.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR USE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL CONDITIONS PLYMOUTH CHARTER TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

DATE OF HEARING: March 20, 2002
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission has received a request from Capital Design Associates to approve a use subject to special conditions, to allow outdoor storage pursuant to Zoning Ordinance 83. The subject property is located south of Five Mile, east of Beck and west of Keel App Number 1713/0202. A portion of Tax ID No. 010 99-0002 702. Questions may be directed to Community Development at (734) 453-8131 Ext. 37 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and written comments may be mailed to 46555 Port St., Plymouth MI 48170.

JOE BRIDGMAN, Secretary, Planning Commission

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township Meetings to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisors office 42350 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone Number (734) 354-3201. 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

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WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 2:30 P.M. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2002

Regular meeting called to order at 2:30 p.m.
Present: Thomas Yack, Steve Mann, Mark Abbo
Agenda - adopted as amended adding item #VII (c) EQ Basin Drain Flow Meter Replacement Purchase
Minutes of regular meeting of January 28, 2002 - approved
Schedule of operating expenses totaling \$613,982.20 - approved
Operations & Maintenance Report for January 2002 - received and filed
Director's Report for February 2002 - received and filed
First Quarter Revenue/Expenditure Report (FY 2001/2002) - received and filed
Election of Officers - Chairman Thomas Yack, Vice-Chairperson/Secretary, Mark Abbo, Treasurer, Steve Mann, Assistant Secretary Tom Faas
401 (a) Pension Plan & Trust Amendments - approved
EQ Basin Drain Flow Meter Replacement Purchase - approved
WTUA Committees Update - approved
MRPI Repairs - Phase 2, Award of Contract - approval to award a contract to Insituform Technologies USA, Inc. of Owosso, Michigan
YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed
The regular meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Chairman, THOMAS J. YACK

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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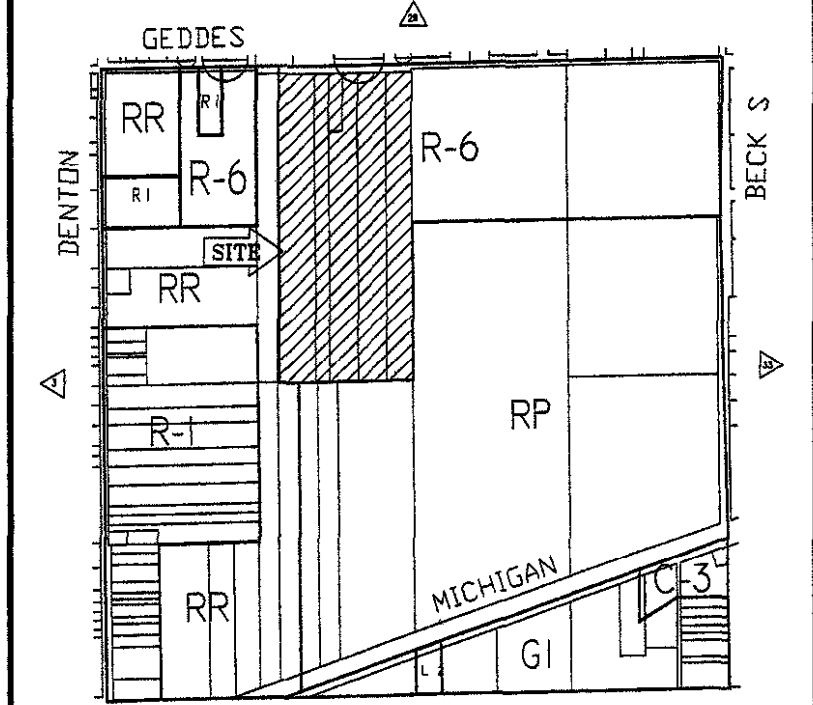
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WOODBRIDGE ESTATES PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - FINAL PLAN. CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NOS 126 99 0001 000, 126 99 0002 000, 126 99 0003 001, 126 99 0003 002, 126 99 0004 000, and 126 99 0005 000. Property is located on the south side of Geddes Road between Denton and Beck Roads. (Second Public Hearing)

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Wednesday, March 27, 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.



VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S Canton, Michigan will accept proposals at the Engineering Department on the 2nd Floor of the Charter Township of Canton Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton Michigan, up to 4:00 p.m. Thursday, March 21st, 2002 for the following:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY CANTON POLICE GUN RANGE WATER MAIN ENGINEERING SERVICES

Specifications are available for pick up between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm at Canton Township Engineering Department located on the 2nd Floor of the Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton MI 48188. Questions can be directed to Brad Sharp at (734) 394-5162. All proposals 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

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for a TV Studio, Presentation Room, and Video Distribution System for the new Plymouth High School in Canton, Michigan. Specifications and Bid Packets are available by contacting Dwayne Henderson of Fanning/Howe Associates, Inc. at (248) 477-8211 Ext. 122 or at the mandatory pre-proposal meeting which will be held on Monday, March 11, 2002 at 1:00 p.m. at the E.J. McClendon Educational Center, located at 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI. Sealed proposals are due on or before 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 27, 2002. Interviews will be conducted during the morning of Thursday, March 28, 2002.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept any or reject all proposals as they judge, in the best interest of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

Board of Education
Plymouth-Canton Community Schools
DARWIN WATTS Secretary

Publish February 28 and March 7 2002

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA MARCH 14, 2002

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2002 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the First Floor Meeting Room in the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. CANTON CENTER ROAD. The following Agenda will be discussed:

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

- Mark Drane (Rogvoey Architects PC 32500 Telegraph Ste 250 Bingham Farms, MI 48025) representing Arthur Sills (HSQ L L C 6960 Orchard Lake Rd # 300 West Bloomfield MI 48322) for 2 property parcels on the North side of Sheldon Between Ford and Westminster Way. They are not requesting a variance, but an interpretation of Zoning Ordinance Section 4.01 D (Layout and Construction of off street parking) the determination made regarding the application of that provision in Zoning Ordinance Parking spaces backing directly onto the Street being prohibited. Parcels # 040 99 0001 005 and 040 99 0001-007 (Planning)
- John Thomas of Sempner, Thomas & Boak 330 N Main St Plymouth MI 48170 representing Dick Scott Nissan for Location at SE Corner of Michigan & Lilley 2 variances are requested to the Zoning Ordinance # 1 Article 6.02 Section Q paragraph 4 regarding a 22 ft. Parking Setback from the public right of way for an outdoor Display of Vehicles, and # 2, Article 5.03 A.3 Modify the roadway buffer landscaping. Parcel # 137-99 0026 000 (Planning) (Dick Scott withdrew from the February ZBA meeting)
- Jason Lewiston of Lewiston Crescent Homes, Inc 5860 Canton Center Rd Suite 310 Canton MI 48187 is requesting a variance for 6 parcels in McIntyre Subdivision. The Zoning Ordinance being appealed is Article 4.01 Sec B.1 Location of off street parking. Parcel #'s 054 01 0030 000, 054-01 0031 000, 054 01 0032-000, 054 01 0033-000, 054-01 0034 000 and 054 01 0035 000 (Planning)

Approval of February 14, 2002 minutes)
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Retired judge named Lutheran Layman of Year

For years, retired Judge James Garber has served the Lutheran church

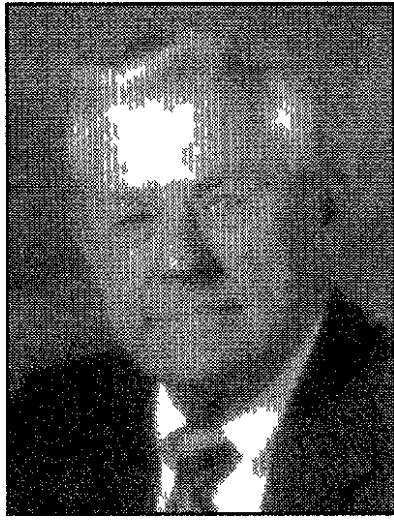
Earlier this month, the church rewarded him, when Garber was named Lutheran Layman of the Year by the Lutheran Luncheon Club of Metro Detroit

Garber and his wife of nearly 46 years, Marianne, are members of Historic Trinity in Detroit, where Garber has served on the vestry and the 150th anniversary committee. He serves on the Octoberfest committee, the history subcommittee and the board of directors

Garber will be recognized at the 48th annual Testimonial Banquet April 16 at the Ukranian Cultural Center in Warren

"Judge Garber is truly a faithful servant," said Luncheon Club President Ray Zavada. "His dedication and commitment to the Lord's work is an example for all of us. The club is honored to present this prestigious award to him as we celebrate his servanthood within the church and his community."

A former judge of the 35th District Court in Plymouth, Garber has served as chief of the criminal division of the Wayne Coun-



James Garber

ty Prosecutor's office and executive director of the Criminal Justice Institute. At the same time, he was active in the Plymouth community as president of the Jaycees, chairman of the board of the Plymouth YMCA, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and chairman of the board of both United Way and the Civil Service Commission

On top of all that, he found time to play trombone in the Community Band

"I am both honored and hum-

bled the club deemed me worthy of having my name included with those outstanding men who have previously received this award"

In addition to his parish activities, Garber has served the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod at the national level, and the English and Michigan districts. His service to the Michigan district includes being a delegate to the district's convention, as a resource on the 9-11 conflict intervention team and as a special assistant to the district president for two years

Garber has earned several distinctions. He got the Distinguished Faculty Award from the National College of District Attorneys, and has been Plymouth's Man of the Year and Citizen of the Year. He was inducted into the Plymouth Hall of Fame in 2001

He will also be presented with the "Christus Primus" award from the Board of Regents at Concordia University

"Judge Garber has been an outstanding worker for our Lord and is very deserving of this honor," said Larry Ainsworth, the chair of the Testimonial Banquet

Skate from page A1

Sincock "It offers us flexibility, and is better than a permanent site which could cost hundreds of thousands of dollars"

Sincock took the idea to the Northville recreation department, and together the communities received a \$5,000 grant from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association and the Michigan Department of Community Health as part of their "Get Michigan Youth Moving" program. The two municipalities will use the grant to

assist in the purchase of a portable skate park, which is currently out for bid. Each recreation department will come up with an additional \$13,000. Sincock said the city is looking for other grants, as well as help from various community foundations. The skate park is expected to include skateboard ramps, jumps, rails, and a trailer for transporting the equipment

"I'm confident we'll raise the money in time to have it this summer," said Sincock. "We expect to

put it in the parking lot at the Cultural Center, and take it to various neighborhood events"

Sincock said "Tyler was a driving force in getting the skate park. He wouldn't let me forget about it"

Smiescu said he's pleased there will soon be a place for area kids to skateboard, and is proud his efforts paid off

"I think it's cool that a kid had an idea and someone took action on it," he said. "I'm really looking forward to it"

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dinner/auction. The PCAC originally signed a commitment to purchase the property for \$244,000 in 1994

"The city wrote a grant for this center, so it had a lot to do with the initial renovation," said Jennifer Tobin, executive director of the PCAC. "They spent a lot of time and energy to do this, and that made it possible for us to get into a space that was appropriate"

Included in the donation is a house, located just south of the main center, which will allow the PCAC to focus on and expand its programming. Also, not having the mortgage payment will free up the PCAC's cash to aid its programming

"It was a challenge to pay the mortgage and fit everything we were doing into this space," Tobin said. "Now that we don't have the

facility obligation, we can focus on programming. When you've got both expenses to balance, it's a dual obligation and responsibility. Now we can focus on making sure we have quality programming"

The PCAC is planning a June meeting with the community on the future of the organization, founded in 1969 by Joanne Winkelman Hulse and a handful of arts lovers

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St. Pat's Fun Run & Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, March 16, 2001

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Emergence of skate park affirms power of lone voice

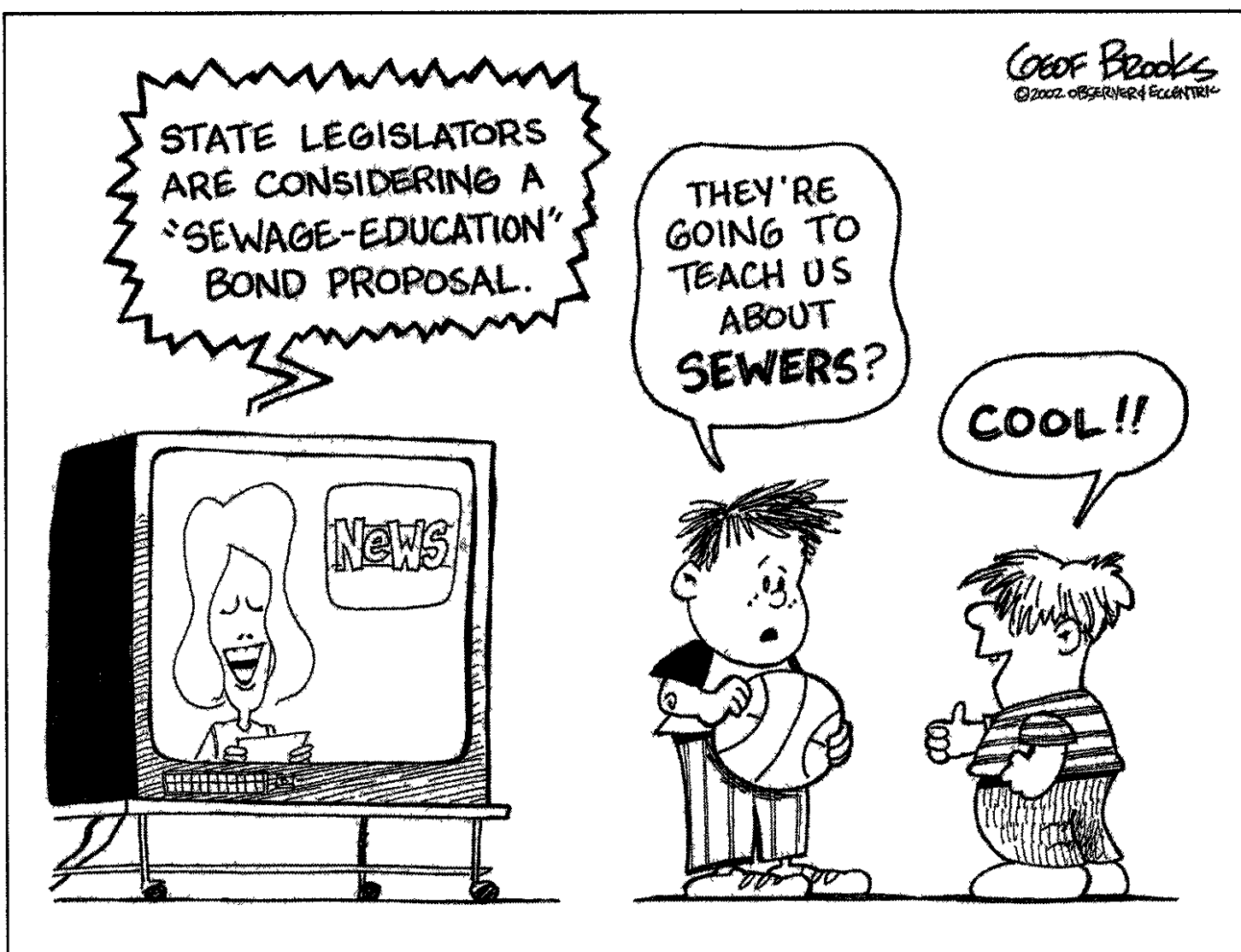
Think a lone voice can't be heard? Ask Tyler Simescu. The 13 year-old Plymouth lad felt strongly enough about the need for a skateboard park in Plymouth that he took the time and energy to research the options and prepare a Power Point presentation for city manager Paul Sincock. To his credit, Sincock, when approached by the West Middle School student, actually listened. It would have been easy to push the youngster's concerns to the back burner, put him off with some bureaucratic doubletalk about needing to study things further. Instead, Sincock listened patiently as Simescu explained his idea. The teen laid out his facts, made his speech and sat back and hoped Sincock took it from there. Sincock, in turn, took the idea to the Northville recreation department, and together the communities received a \$5,000 grant from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association and the Michigan Department of Community

Health as part of their "Get Michigan Youth Moving" program. The two municipalities will use the grant to assist in the purchase of a portable skate park, which is currently out for bid. Each recreation department will come up with an additional \$13,000. Sincock said the city is looking for other grants, as well as help from various community foundations. The skate park is expected to include skateboard ramps, jumps, rails, and a trailer for transporting the equipment. Sincock is confident the money will come in time for the skate park to be available this summer. It's a testament to what youth, solid research and plain, old-fashioned persistence can do for you. "Tyler was a driving force in getting the skate park," Sincock said. "He wouldn't let me forget about it." Said Simescu, "I think it's cool that a kid had an idea and someone took action on it." Cool. It's exactly the right word.

Legislature should take a new look at tech bill

It's funny how issues fall in and out of favor in Lansing. Take technology. Gov. John Engler has been making appearances across Michigan this winter pushing his MI HiSpeed Internet Plan. Engler is encouraging legislators to make the process for expanded broadband Internet availability easier through a uniform permit and fee system for rights-of-way. Although some questions remain about the proposal, it's apparently on the fast track to becoming law and part of Engler's legacy as he leaves office next January. Yet, another piece of consumer oriented, technology-centered legislation has languished in the state House for nearly three years. We refer to HB 4406, which were it not gathering dust in the Insurance and Financial Services Committee, could help pave the way for residents and small businesses to connect with their local government in much the same way they use Amazon.com. The bill, sponsored by Rep. Mickey Mortimer (R-Horton), would allow municipal governments to legally accept electronic signatures over the Internet for such things as dog licenses and building permits. It is similar to a law already on Michigan's books - The Uniform Electronic Transactions Act of 2000. That law gives legal standing to electronic signatures for a wide range of private transactions (wills and real estate deals are the two major exceptions) when all parties agree in advance. But it stops short of allowing the state or local governments the same privilege. The Observer believes the time is right to bring HB 4406 to the floor and make the virtual township or city hall a reality. In a series of stories Sunday, the Observer reported how municipal governments in western Wayne and Oakland counties have moved to a second generation of on-line presence. Official Web sites that once offered photos of elected officials and city mottos - but not much else - now provide a flood of useful information and interactivity for users. It's not uncommon to find zoning maps, events calendars, property tax data bases and calculators, dozens of printable forms or permit applications and e-mail contact with every municipal department - even updates of recreation league basketball standings on your city or township

Web site. We agree with local Web site administrators - many who have other municipal government experience. They say allowing residents and businesses to send in routine permits and applications online makes perfect sense, even though some may be slow to adapt to the new technology. For one thing, it would turn local government into a 24/7 operation on a limited basis. That's certainly a solid use of tax dollars and a convenience for people whose work schedules don't offer a lot of flexibility. It's not like the change will occur overnight. Many municipalities will have to purchase additional software or form business alliances in order to accept credit card payments for collecting fees from residents. Questions must also be resolved about how to handle the higher costs associated with credit card payments. And we suspect all municipalities will want to hang on to some form of traditional permit application process and availability for people uncomfortable with new technology, which makes total sense. The fact is, though, that similar legislation is on the agenda in states from New York to California. The New Jersey Secretary of State has accepted electronic signatures for drivers license renewals since 1999. In Nevada, most routine transactions between residents and their state and local governments allow electronic signatures. Michigan residents can renew car, boat and snowmobile registrations online with no signature required. We're not sure why the governor's broadband Internet proposal gets the royal treatment while HB 4406 remains in limbo. Perhaps it's because big business - telecommunications and cable companies - stand to benefit from the former but not necessarily the latter. The Observer has gone on record as supporting the plan as a way to better serve Michigan residents. But we also know that municipal Web sites are looked at as necessities to providing good, responsive government by local officials. These days, they're in the same category as public safety and trash collection. The Michigan Legislature and Gov. Engler need to heed that call as well.



LETTERS

■ District responds

On behalf of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, I am writing to clarify several points in Mark Horvath's letter to the editor (Observer, Feb. 28). First, Mr. Horvath states that salary raises are not in the current financial projection. That is a correct statement. And the reason the district removed the salary projection from the forecast was to be forthright and honest. The reality is that we are in the process of negotiating with several bargaining groups. And therefore, any negotiated increase will change the financial projection. If we merely fabricated a percentage increase now, and included it in the forecast, it would have been misleading. We explained this thoroughly in our finance update to the board at their regular meeting on Jan. 22. Mr. Horvath was in attendance. Next, Mr. Horvath calls the Aug. 6 countywide millage, "the RESA millage." The Act 18 Special Education millage is a countywide millage, not a Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency (WCRESA) millage. To imply that it is a WCRESA millage is to imply that the funds will go to WCRESA when, in fact, the funds will go to continue to provide the special education center programs that are housed like "magnet" programs at various school districts throughout the county. Here are the facts about Act 18 and Special Education funding. ■ The number of children served through the Act 18 millage has increased more than 10 percent in the last seven years. ■ If Plymouth-Canton was required to provide these mandated special education programs, currently operated in other districts, here in P-CCS, it would cost us in excess of \$5 million. ■ The Act 18 Millage benefits all students. Currently, the district's general fund is used to offset the additional costs. With the millage, P-CCS funds currently required to offset the costs of center-based programs would be used for P-CCS regular education programs.

■ Because of Michigan's failure to fund its own mandates, school districts throughout the state took the state to court. It took the districts 17 years to settle a lawsuit whereby the state agreed to pay 28 percent of special education costs. There is a third statewide court case concerning special education funding that is not yet settled.

We can't afford to wait another five years for the courts to settle the current lawsuit and give us the funds required to educate this special population.

We do not think the millage is a "blatantly bad deal" and we definitely do not think our kids are a "bad investment." It is the only mechanism the state allows to offset the costs for these mandated services. There has not been a 40 percent increase in "central office administrative spending," as Mr. Horvath claims. It seems he compared the "Central Services" line item from the 1999 Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' audited financial statement's schedule of expenditures to the same line item in the 2001 audited financial statement. The reality is that 25 percent of the increase transpired between June 30, 1999 and June 30, 2000 in a budget adopted before Superintendent Kathleen Booher came to Plymouth-Canton.

The next issue Mr. Horvath distorts

is the schools of choice issue. For the record, the financial forecast that included the "schools of choice model" as a partial finance option for the opening of the third high school was for the 1996-97 forecast.

Class size is a priority for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. We recognize lower class sizes have academic benefits and provide a competitive advantage. We would not be doing our jobs if we did not consider all the options when preparing for possible funding changes.

Dr. Booher is listening to the community. She called for community input for five Vision Priority Teams. More than 100 individuals answered the call and came forward to serve. She continues to ask administrators to survey elementary, middle school and high school parents. Further, a districtwide survey will be sent within the month asking a sample of the community to tell us what programs they value. She is preparing for the board a recommendation for a community-based stakeholder team to advise the board on facilities options.

We encourage our community to ask questions and obtain information. Board packets are available for the public at every board meeting. The meetings are taped and played on Comcast and Ameritech in each of the district's municipalities.

Information is available through Board Briefs, in the district quarterly newsletter, Newsline, on the district web site www.pccs.k12.mi.us and, of course, at board meetings the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

I also want to remind the community they can bring their ideas, questions and suggestions to the board at its Public Forum this Saturday, March 9, at 9 a.m. at Discovery Middle School. Everyone is welcome.

Judy Evola,
Director, Community Relations
Plymouth-Canton
Community Schools

■ Yes to 'Education Yes!'

Congratulations to the Michigan Department of Education and the State Board of Education for initiating "Education Yes!" the new accountability framework that focuses on teaching for excellence, not just on teaching to the MEAP test.

Arts education advocates throughout the state also applaud the inclusion of the arts as a core curriculum subject. This follows the dramatic revision of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Leave No Child Behind, signed by President Bush last month.

Recent academically accepted research has validated what educators have long suspected: arts education contributes significantly to a student's development.

This is not to suggest that arts education is a panacea; arts education is only successful when part of a strong curriculum that provides excellence in reading and language, mathematics and problem solving and social studies.

Research has also shown a correlation between arts education and improvements in other academic areas, such as higher SAT scores for high school students who have had arts experiences and improved reading and math scores for students in high-poverty schools that have implemented arts programs.

While arts education is important in its ability to stimulate creative think-

ing skills and exploring the human experience to enrich our lives, business leaders are increasingly finding that employees with arts education experiences are the company problem solvers. Because most often school venues are the only institutions able to provide access to the arts for the vast majority of students, Education Yes! that includes arts as core accountability standards for Michigan schools is more significant than ever!

Barbara Kratchman,
President, ArtServe Michigan

■ Bad policy

I am writing on behalf of all of the students that have or are attending the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. I am a junior, attending Plymouth-Salem High School, and for the past couple of years I have been furious on the attendance policy.

Before I tell you why, this is what the attendance policy is: If one has 10 or more excused or unexcused absences, then they do not receive any credit for the class unless told otherwise by the teacher.

Let me remind you, that high school is a time to prepare you for the rest of your life, and for many people, preparing them for some sort of education after high school. Last time I checked, when attending a university, you may skip the class, and there is no attendance policy. Your grade is based on what you earn, not on how many times you skip or for that matter are sick.

According to our attendance policy it is 10. So, in other words, if a student is holding a solid 85 percent in a class, and receives a 10th absence, they receive no credit for the class.

Furthermore, that same student, when reaching his ninth absence, one would think some sort of warning is issued.

According to the absence policy, when reaching their 10th absence, and not their ninth, they receive notification saying they receive no credit for the class, and are forced to sign a contract that states they will come to that class for the remainder of the semester but not get credit.

Now you tell me, why would one go to class and try, when they cannot get credit for trying?

In conclusion, something needs to be changed about the absence policy. It is, and has been, messing up students' lives after high school, and for that matter during high school.

Steven Williams

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GUEST OPINION

■ Proposal A works

Proposal A is working exactly as it was planned. It is education welfare. The proper anti-American way to redistribute wealth and increase per-pupil funding is to shave money from all "wealthier" districts and give the difference to poorer districts. If you apply the communist doctrine to public education, it fits exactly: "From each district according to their ability, to each district according to their need." Before Prop A, market conditions drove the level of public education dollars spent in a district. Each district purchased different levels of service, with their stake-

holders' dollars, based upon property values, ability and frugality. Prop A tries to reduce dependence on property value so that there is a common education pot. It took away local property tax inflation and provided more money to bunches of districts who could never generate the education dollars themselves. I urge public education officials to avoid taking from abler districts, not letting these districts grow, and shuffling their wealth to other districts whose own social choices have resulted in lower per-pupil spending.

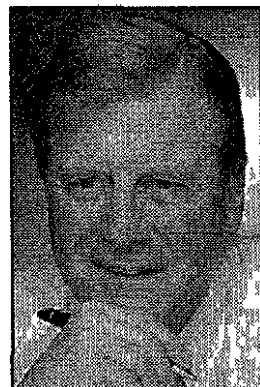
Glenn Kremer
Plymouth

OTHER OPINIONS

Thursday, March 7, 2002

House has chance to write airport management history

The stunning deal between Gov John Engler and Wayne County Chief Executive Ed McNamara to create an independent oversight authority for Wayne County's Metropolitan and Willow Run airports is hardly out of the woods. Under the proposal, oversight would be given to a seven-member body, with four appointments coming from the Wayne County exec, two by the governor and one by the Wayne County Commission.



Phil Power

Last week's 26-10 favorable vote in the state Senate moved the measure to the House, where business as usual politics could gum up the works.

Lots of folks with very dubious motives are awfully interested in sidelining what could be one of the most significant innovations in Michigan in many years. Others, realizing that the airport

is likely to be the biggest economic engine in the state, have a vested interest in getting some leverage over it.

One such group is the Wayne County Commission, historically a remarkably ineffective bunch of minor league politicians. (Quick now, win an all-expense tour of the Wayne County building by naming three members of the Commission! One member?) The Commission launched a PR effort in opposition last week featuring poorly attended public forums and guest columns in the big city papers.

The Commission is whining that the authority would "take control of the airport out of public hands." It's obvious that in the Commission's eyes, "public hands" really means the Commission's. Anybody who has followed the wheelings and dealings of the Commission over the years would be thrilled to pry its public hands off anything and everything possible. Examples of good things the Commission has opposed over the years include charter government, creation of a county executive and elimination of the notorious elected road commission and drain commissioner. "Nuff said."

Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick also wants an appointment. That idea got voted down in the Senate on the grounds that the airport is owned by Wayne County, not Detroit. But it's likely to come up again in the House.

And House Minority Leader Samuel "Buzz" Thomas is talking about giving Engler and McNamara some of the appointments to the oversight board, but also letting their respective successors name some appointees as well. Up to

now, both the governor and the chief executive have firmly said "no deal."

Therein lies the guts of the politics. Both Engler and McNamara are refusing to modify their proposal in any way because they're worried about the slippery slope problem, i.e. once you accept one change in your program, what's to prevent lots of changes that add up to gutting the idea?

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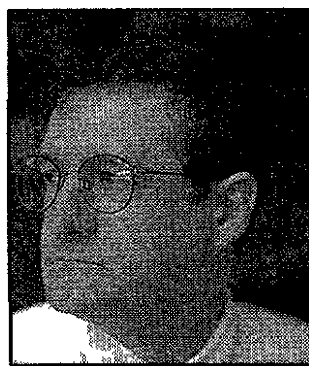
Holding the line will not be easy, especially in the House, where some Democratic votes will be necessary to get a two-thirds majority that will give the measure immediate effect. "Immediate effect" means that Engler and McNamara would do the appointing, rather than their (presently unknown) successors. Since both men are known quantities and both have staked their prestige on creating an independent oversight board for the airports, I'd prefer to have them doing the appointing, especially when I consider who might wind up becoming the new Wayne County chief executive.

Having the measure take immediate effect is also important because the airport is on the verge of selling \$900 million worth of bonds for renovation of old terminals, and having a proper oversight authority in place will make a big difference in the cost of the financing. House members, especially, are prone to be pulled here and there by interest groups with parochial if not self-serving motives. This is normal in a legislative setting, especially when serious issues like the state budget are still unsettled.

But the House has a real chance to undo a long history of scandal-ridden and sometimes inept management at the airport by creating a first-class oversight structure, complete with an audit committee and full public scrutiny. Putting both Wayne County Metro and Willow Run under the powerful, coherent, non-political oversight represents a vital first step in welding them together into what could be the most powerful economic development institution Michigan has ever seen.

I'd hate to be a House member who knowingly throws that opportunity away.

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Hugh Gallagher

Rothwell injects a welcome shot of optimism on economy

Doug Rothwell is a cup half full kind of guy.

The president and CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corp looks at the recent higher unemployment figures and sees positive news.

Sure unemployment in Michigan is running about 6 percent. But that puts the state about in the middle of national unemployment. In the past, with our over dependence on the auto industry, we'd be near the top in unemployment. Rothwell said that based on auto industry layoffs, Michigan unemployment would be closer to 11 percent.

That's the right attitude for someone whose job is to attract jobs. He sees Michigan building on its auto heritage to become a leader in other high-tech industries and maintaining its lead as the auto industry moves into brave new territory.

Rothwell shared his views with Hometown Communications Network editors Feb. 28.

Of course, he was there to tout the work of the MEDC, a public corporation that consolidates Michigan's economic development programs. He's competitive, "I want to be No. 1, who cares about being No. 5."

Recently, Site Selection magazine gave its top award, the Governor's Award, to Illinois. But as fast as a Canadian Olympic committee member, Rothwell jumped on the decision. He said they changed the rules at "the 11th hour" and if they hadn't Michigan would have won the award. As it is Michigan was named the No. 1 location for new and expanded business facilities (the really important award according to an MEDC release).

Rothwell's visit came at an opportune time. The opening of the new McNamara Terminal at Metro airport is an essential element in the growth of Southeast Michigan. Rothwell points to Amsterdam's Schiphol Airport as an airport that has generated economic development. The same opportunities exist for the Detroit area with its two close, complementary, Wayne County-owned airports - Metro and Willow Run.

When asked if developing a strong urban center around the airports would be another dagger aimed at the city of Detroit, Rothwell said Detroit will benefit from having a strong gateway to the region.

But obviously the problems faced by Detroit are a major concern for Rothwell. Even cup half full guys have to be a little hesitant in their enthusiasm when discussing the big city.

"Michigan will never be what it can be until Detroit is what it can be," Rothwell said. "But we can't let the city off the hook for its accountability."

As a free-market conservative and a John Engler appointee, Rothwell is a firm believer that tax dollars aren't the only solution to economic and social problems.

"It's not simply a matter of bringing up fine new programs," Rothwell said.

He said Detroit has to take control of its own structural problems. He said he is willing to work with the city's leaders but he's not about to "tell" them what to do, nor would they welcome that approach.

But, while Rothwell doesn't see government spending as a cure-all for urban problems or state development, he also parts company with the conservative Mackinac Center, which is critical of the MEDC as being an interference in the market equation.

"Our philosophy is to support winners, the companies that have a good business model," he said.

But he argued that for businesses to compete globally, the state can help by building on the models of those winning companies.

"We do economic development inexpensively. We, as a state, have to invest more if we want to play in the defining industries of the future," he said.

Those industries include life-sciences which includes biochemical research, medical centers, pharmaceutical companies and university research and development, information technology and broadband development, and, yes, the auto industry.

The big auto companies are investing back in the state and Rothwell argues we should do everything we can to encourage that notion. Ford in planning a new Rouge facility, GM has just opened a new facility near Lansing.

And just around the corner are new technological breakthroughs, such as the hydrogen fuel cell cars, introduced in January by GM and high on the list of all the auto companies. Rothwell believes it should be high on the list for the state as well.

Whether you agree with his economic philosophy or not, Rothwell brings a welcome shot of optimism for the economy of a state with an abundance of talent, natural resources and a solid track record as a business leader.

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Willow Run carves out its own niche in air service

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In 1957 Sean Brosnan's father emigrated from Ireland, touching down at Willow Run Airport

"So this was where he got off the boat, which is pretty neat for me, personally," Brosnan said "My first flight was out of here when I was 6 years old in 1968"

Today, Brosnan is the director of Willow Run, Wayne County's other county owned airport



Sean Brosnan

The opening of the Edward H. McNamara Terminal/Northwest Gateway and a plan for an airport authority have focused attention on Detroit Metro Airport, the big behemoth a few miles east of Willow Run along I-94. But Willow Run has established an important place for itself as a major cargo airport, private and corporate jet center and flight training site.

A report on Willow Run will be the first piece in a study being conducted by John Kasarda of the Kenan Institute at the University of North Carolina for Wayne County. He envisions an airport centered "aerotropolis"

"I'm looking at development and how the airport fits into the aerotropolis. I'm looking at the assets at Willow Run and the challenges it faces," Kasarda said last week.

Kasarda said he will complete a draft of the report on Willow Run in a couple weeks. It will be the first of three reports

that he will complete by May 17. The others will study development at the Pinnacle Aeropark project south of Metro and nearly 25,000 acres between the two airports.

Willow Run, which straddles Wayne and Washtenaw County just north of I-94, has logged more than 200,000 operations a year over the last three years, according to Brosnan, who became the airport's director in 1997. It is Michigan's third busiest airport after Metro and Pontiac-Oakland.

Corporate jets

The airport has carved out a niche as a cargo airport, especially for the auto industry and is developing as a homebase for private and corporate aircraft.

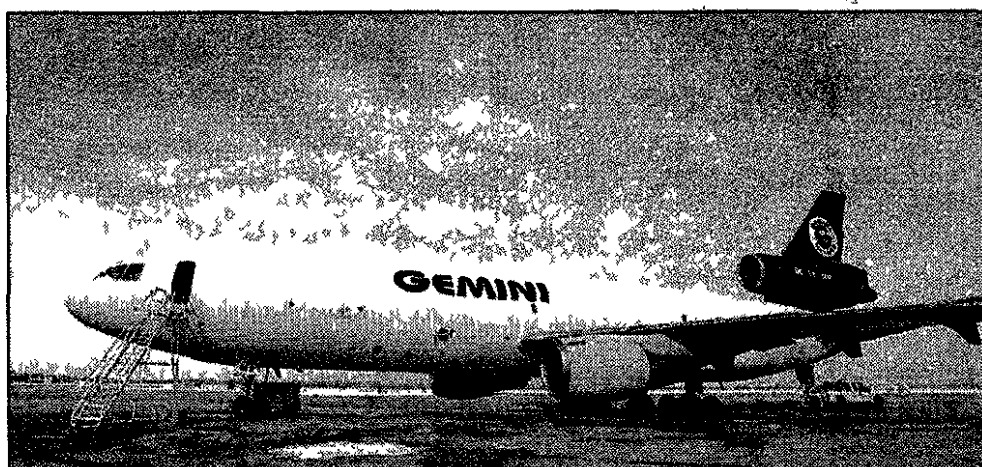
"A lot of companies in southeast Michigan either are buying corporate aircraft or fractioning. They buy a quarter share and don't have to set up their own jet or hangar or pay pilots," Brosnan said.

Three fixed based operators - Active Aero Services, Signature Flight Support and Willow Run JetCenter - provide maintenance and other support for craft at Willow Run. Brosnan said much of their profit comes from executive travel.

Several large companies are setting up their own operations and hangars at the airport.

Milwaukee based Johnson Controls has a gleaming building for its customized corporate jets.

"Now they are moving their automotive world headquarters to Superior Township," Brosnan said. "We've talked to their folks and one of the reasons for moving to Superior Township was its proximity to the airport. Visteon will in



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Big ship: This DC-10 is the largest cargo plane flying out of Willow Run Airport.

all likelihood build in Van Buren Township, right down the road on Ecorse. When the jobs commission asked them why did they choose this site over another site, they say it's close to Willow Run Airport."

Kasarda said the growth of executive air travel is one of the area's distinguishing features. Metro is too large for extensive private air travel.

Working together

"There definitely are synergies between the two airports," Kasarda said. "Also as an air cargo airport Willow Run can support on-demand charter service that they can't do efficiently at Metro. Metro is too busy."

Willow Run moves approximately 100 million pounds of cargo annually.

Preston Murray and his brother have

been operating two air services out of Willow Run since 1986, Murray Aviation for small planes and Murray Air for large planes. They primarily move auto parts, although occasionally handle FedEx and UPS packages.

Murray said he expects Kasarda's report to show how vital Willow Run is to the local economy, particularly the auto industry.

"Sean, when he came out here as director in effect turned things around," Murray said. "The physical plant was improved and the relationship between the management and the carriers is much better."

Brosnan, who lives in Livonia and is the husband of Livonia City Councilwoman Maureen Brosnan, started working for the county when Ed McNamara became county executive in 1986. In 1990

Brosnan became a noise officer and handled buyouts of residential property south of Metro that became the beginning for the Pinnacle project.

Brosnan has high praise for his mentors Ed McNamara and Dewey Henry, head of the county's economic development department. He said they have brought a vision to the development of the airports.

"We think we're pretty uniquely situated here," Brosnan said. "It is a system of airports. We'll be able to continue to effectively move the freight through and in that ring road or aerotropolis concept, companies can locate their headquarters either on the airport if they like or close to us so they can watch their freight and ultimately their product getting to market."

In addition to corporate jets, more than 200 personal planes are hangared at Willow Run. The airport has two airport hangar companies, Black Eagle and Bird Cage. "That's a way we lighten the load (at Metro). We're cheaper for aviation enthusiasts, also more efficient," Brosnan said. The airport is also home to three flight schools.

Though Willow Run once was Southeast Michigan's major passenger airport, Brosnan said they will compete with Metro for passenger service.

"One, it's not our niche. Two, we have a contract with Northwest," Brosnan said.

The deal with Northwest, which operates a hub at Metro's new midfield terminal, includes \$14 million for projects at Willow Run including new security, fencing, drainage and restoration of the historically significant Albert Kahn-designed administration buildings.

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Darlene Dreyer

11 People are using music to communicate where words don't suffice. This surge of performance activity is helping people connect, grieve, and heal. It is reviving America's vital signs. But reviving the American spirit through music is not about saving

the world - it's about moving hearts, lifting spirits, and bringing people together. This requires the energy of countless visionaries, leaders, musicians, and volunteers who are breathing life into music on local and regional stages.

In Southeast Michigan, where arts presenters abound, and there's an orchestra serving nearly every city from Ann Arbor to Detroit, resources for creating artistic collaborations are in great demand. As a result of the burgeoning need for resources both monetary and human, a team of arts advocates is coming together to build a professional network for leaders of orchestras and musical organizations in Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb counties.

The doors to this new era of collegial communication opened in the fall of 2000 when Gordon Stump, President of the American Federation of Musicians Detroit Local No. 5, invited orchestra managers and musicians to bring their perspectives to a good-faith bargaining session. Stump called the leaders together to fill the need for a collective agreement that covered union musicians playing in community based and regional orchestras so orchestras can continue to hire these musicians at an economically viable, fair pay level. Who could have imagined that a labor management negotiation session would open lines of communication? Through Stump's initiative, this experience has increased opportunities for communication between members of the orchestra family.

Shared challenges

After nearly six months of bargaining, consensus building, and sharing perspectives, Warren Symphony Conductor David Daniels concluded that the musical organizations might benefit from a little "commiseration" about the particular circumstances facing Southeast Michigan musical organizations. We are all concerned about seeing our orchestras thrive and we share some of the same challenges. Daniels polled a few of the participants to see who would be interested in seeing the organizations collaborate on an ad-hoc basis and decided to invite a few behind-the-scenes friends to lunch to see if they needed group therapy, too.

So, what do you get when you mix some music leaders, a little lunch, and a few words? AMMO - the Association of Michigan Musical Organizations. The original constituents of AMMO were orchestras, but the group has quickly expanded to include a chorale ensemble and 19th Century brass band. The consortium encour-

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We did it: Plymouth Community Arts Council executive director Jennifer Tobin and development director Stella Greene celebrate paying off the mortgage on the main facility after receiving a generous gift from anonymous donors. They're pictured in front of property that was part of the gift.

Endless Possibilities

GIFT ENABLES ARTS COUNCIL LEADERSHIP TO DREAM

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Stella Greene burst into tears as Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham accepted a check from Plymouth Community Arts Council president David Williamson for the final mortgage payment on the Joanne Winkleman Hulce Center for the Arts. Greene has been counting the days - 2,840 to be exact - since the nonprofit organization signed a commitment with the city to purchase the property for \$244,000 in 1994.

Thanks to anonymous benefactors the arts council realized the dream of one day owning the building. As development director, Greene works hard to secure funding through grants, and private and corporate donations. Now she and executive director Jennifer Tobin will have one less bill to worry about while planning the future. The gift of money and a split level house next door to the main facility will allow the arts council to expand programming.

They imagine the possibilities while inviting visitors to tour the new space. Existing programs already include a summer music series, monthly artists luncheon, lectures and mentoring meetings, children's theater, a performance series, art rental gallery, art exhibits, classes and workshops.

"With this kind of affirmation of what we do here we can refocus on what we do, expand the artistic opportunities in the community, mentor the artist in all of us," said Greene. "Local arts agencies are the best places for art to become real for people and focus on the artist in all of us."

Encouraging artistic inclinations is exactly what the arts council does. Over the years they've offered everything from Salsa dance classes to an ice carving workshop. With the gift of a three-bedroom house they'll be able to create even more opportunities for all.

"I'm excited about the house with three upstairs bedrooms," said Tobin. "We're turning them into artist studios. There's one artist in there already, Donna Vogelheim. The donors specified they wanted artists to have their own studio space, not only accomplished artists but aspiring ones too."

None of this would have been possible if not for the donors and city of Plymouth, said Williamson. A CPA, Williamson realizes that without public support, dreams could never become a reality for nonprofit organizations. Two phases of renovations were funded by a \$50,000 Michigan Equity Grant to the city. Another \$90,000 was raised through a Capital Campaign drive - all to turn the former Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall into a viable educational and performance arts facility.

"We wouldn't be here without the city's help," said Williamson. "The city was instrumental in acquiring the property and through a lease purchase agreement sold it to the council."

Viability

"But in the end it's all about long term viability. The arts council's



At work: Donna Vogelheim is the first artist to rent a studio in the split-level house recently donated to the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

board of directors couldn't focus attention on programming long-term and short term with the mortgage coming due in six or seven years. The gift of property enables us to expand programming."

Watercolorist Donna Vogelheim has plenty of ideas about offering more arts events and classes to the community. Vogelheim plans to spend every waking hour in her new studio next to the primary facility and would like to share the experience with others. A long time Farmington Hills resident now living in Walled Lake, Vogelheim will conduct a still life workshop at the arts council in April.

"It's an incredible opportunity," said Vogelheim who currently teaches at the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center. "The studio space

will be a community of artists when it's rented. We can give back to the arts community. We could have tours come through the studios, a career day where we have kids come through and show what an artist does."

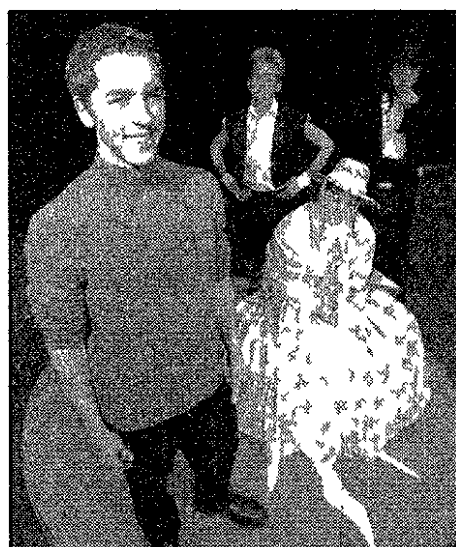
"It will be a common ground for artists to come together and talk about their craft. Creating art is a solitary endeavor. With that facility we'll now be able to pow wow, bounce ideas off each other and it will be a hotbed of ideas."

Mayor Graham praises the arts council for enriching the lives of residents over the years. He's looking forward to watching the arts council create more education programs like the ones his children

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THEATER

Timely tale: Nathan Gardner (*Pippin*) left, Joe Drake, (Lewis), Meg Phillips, (Bertha), and Ryan Patrick Welsh (Leading Player) tell the tongue-in-cheek story of *Pippin* who is on a quest to find his calling in life.



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'Pippin' cast struts their stuff for composer

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Nathan Gardner admits he's a little nervous about singing for Stephen Schwartz, composer of the music and lyrics for *Pippin*. Thursday, March 14 in Gloria Logan Auditorium at Plymouth Salem High School. The freshman plays the lead role in the educational park's musical Thursday Saturday, March 21-23.

Schwartz and Friends will be in town to perform at a fund raiser for the theater program on March 14. Gardner will perform with other members of cast at 7:30 p.m. a half hour before the Broadway-style concert. When the evening is over, students will have the opportunity to speak

with Schwartz and his friends, Debbie Gravitte, a Broadway actress/singer and Scott Coulter, a New York cabaret singer.

"It will be exciting," said Gardner whose character, fresh out of college, is trying to find his way in life.

"He can tell easy if you're screwing up some of the songs he wrote," added Ryan Patrick Welsh who was cast as the Leading Player. Welsh plans on making theater a career as does Gardner. "The people from Broadway I want to ask them about acting as a professional career, ask them how much time they have for family because there are other things that are important to me."

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Park Players

■ Host a fund-raiser featuring *Pippin* composer Stephen Schwartz and Friends in concert 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 14, in the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Plymouth Salem High School, 46181 Joy at Canton Center roads. Tickets \$40; proceeds go to the theater program at Plymouth Canton Educational Park. Call (734) 416-7723 or (734) 416-4278 to order by credit card.

■ Present the musical *Pippin* 8 p.m. Thursday Saturday, March 21-23, in the Gloria Logan Auditorium. Tickets \$7.

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'This is the 30th anniversary of Pippin and I thought I would be a nice tie-in to have the composer here performing at a fundraiser for the theater program.'

Geoffrey Kopp
—Park Players' director

Exposing students to theater professionals is exactly what Geoffrey Kopp had in mind when he invited Schwartz to perform at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Director of the high schools' theater program. Kopp believes students in the cast may never have an opportunity like this again. Schwartz's musical credits include writing music for *Godspell*, *Pocahontas*, *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*, and *The Prince of Egypt*. "It's a thrilling experience to perform for the composer to see that this is a real person. So often you do shows and the playwright has been dead 100-years. You get a much different understanding of your role as an actor, a member of the crew," said Kopp, a graduate of Stevenson High School in Livonia. He began theater studies at Schoolcraft College with professor James Hartman then went on to earn a

bachelor's degree from Western Michigan University. Kopp taught at North Branch and Mt. Clemens high schools before coming to Plymouth two years ago to direct the Park Players which combines students from Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton. "This is the 30th anniversary of Pippin and I thought it would be a nice tie-in to have the composer here performing at a fund-raiser for the theater program. With the proceeds we hope to upgrade the Logan Auditorium and Little Theater at Plymouth Canton. I'd eventually like to have a working theater at each high school, a drama teacher at each and work on a season of six productions to provide more performing opportunity, and expand offerings to include costume design and technical." Kopp seems to always be thinking about his students. In addition

to inviting the composer, Kopp originally selected *Pippin* as a way of relaying a message. "It's about this young prince on a quest to find meaning and significance in his life," said Kopp. "High school is all about finding out who you are, self-discovery. The message is don't give up even if life dishes out what you hadn't expected." "The music is kind of jazzy and pop, written in the 1970s so it has a 70s sound. On March 14 we want to do songs that involve the entire company and solos so as many students as possible have a chance to perform. There are 40 cast, 30 crew members, incredibly talented and energetic students. The music is difficult. It's hard to find actors singers and dancers all in one person." Kimberly Black, Nicole Melhan, Kristi Halewicz, and Jerry Reid

found that was especially true as they created the steps for the production. Having students choreograph a production is a first for Park Players as was assigning Welsh to design costumes. "I'm proud that it's not just my production, the whole cast is involved," said Kopp. "I'm a firm believer in students developing shows." Black thinks that's important but she's drawn so much more from the experience. After 15 years of dance studies, she knows what it takes to put on a production. She began performing in *The Nutcracker* with the Plymouth Canton Ballet Company when she was just 7 years old and studied theater as a member of the Whistle Stop Players at the Plymouth Community Arts Council. Black is currently passing on that knowledge as a teacher at Grosse Ile Academy of Dance. "A lot of us weren't even friends

before," said Black. "One Sunday we got together and put our ideas together. It's one of those things you just have to see. Polished and flashy are two words that spring to mind. It's very jazzy, parts are more musical theater." Lake Black, Nicole Melhan called on her experience as a student at Dancin' Feet and Dance Extreme, both in Canton, and performances with the Plymouth Theatre Guild and Village Players of Birmingham. "We watched *A Chorus Line* and *All That Jazz* and incorporated all types of styles - ballet movement, tap, soft shoe, ballroom." "It's entertaining, a lot of fun to watch and choreograph," added Kristi Halewicz, a student at Dancin' Feet for 12 years. "When we began had different perceptions for different dances. We were there seven hours that Sunday when it just clicked. It was good for us getting closer."

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Peer group

It is always nice to share successes and relate challenges with a peer group who understands the nuances of your field. There are groups of accountants, lawyers, engineers, and countless other professionals who gather in the same way. When one has reached the end of a long week, it is reassuring to know there are other people working against similar odds to bring musical pleasures to the people in our area. At a time when the slump in the economy is rearing an ugly face for commercial industries, non-profit service organizations of all types are finding it even more difficult to raise the funds necessary to fulfill their mission. It is hard enough to find that extra discretionary income in a good economy. Since ticket sales for most musical organizations typically

cover less than a third of the overhead expenses, the artistically vibrant organizations who see to it that music is accessible to everyone in Southeast Michigan (and all across the country) are struggling to survive.

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Darlene A. Dreyer is the Executive Director of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and Canton Chamber Orchestra, a graduate of Lehigh University and University of Michigan School of Music, and a member of the American Symphony Orchestra League. The next meeting of the Association of Michigan Musical Organizations (AMMO) will take place May 2, 2002. Contact Dreyer by e mail at PSEOExecDirect@aol.com

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ages involvement by conductors, executive directors, musicians, volunteers, board members, and staff. So far, the organizations expressing an interest in participating include the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra, Dearborn Symphony Orchestra, Dodworth Saxhorn Band, Fort Street Chorale, Grosse Pointe Symphony, Livonia Symphony Society, Pontiac-Oakland Symphony, and Warren Symphony Orchestra. Doors are open to musical organizations from Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, and Washtenaw counties. The first step in the information sharing is a statistical survey of basic organizational facts that will be compiled this spring and distributed to participants at the next meeting on May 2.

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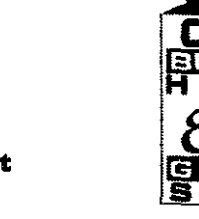


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Colorful creations

Festival of the Arts serves up a dazzling array of art

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Visitors might be tempted to eat some of the displays in the Festival of the Arts at Nativity Episcopal Church in Bloomfield Township, but organizers urge restraint. They intended the platters of edibles as art for exhibition purposes only.

Designed by Chef Steve Allen, owner of Steve and Rockies in Novi, and Chef Matt Bronski of Local Color Brewing Co. in Novi, the newest component of the 21st festival illustrates the talents of culinary artists Allen and Bronski, who earned a spot on the Michigan Culinary Olympic team.

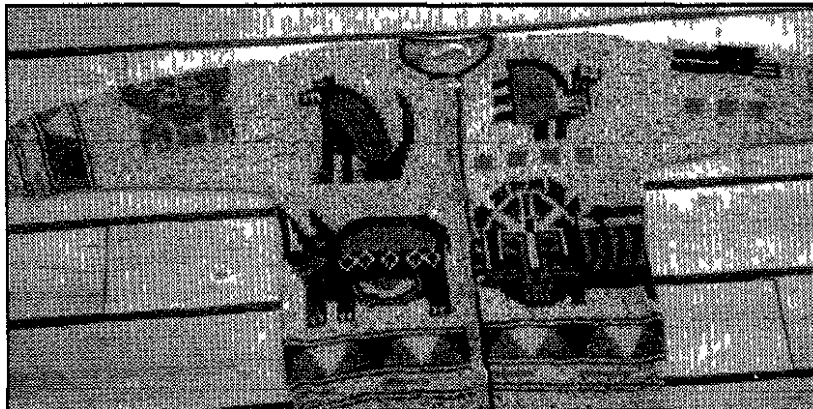
Visual art, music, food — festival chairperson Deborah Odette thinks the combination is what Pastor Tom Stahl and parishioners had in mind when they founded the festival. This year's arts extravaganza features 56 artists showing paintings, clay, wood sculpture, photography, jewelry, and fiber Friday-Sunday, March 8-10, at the church, 21220 West 14 Mile, between Lahser and Cranbrook. Festi-

ties begin 7-10 p.m. Friday with harpist Susan Parea performing at a reception to meet the artists and taste some of the edible art prepared by the church's cooking club under the direction of John Prepolec and the professional chefs. On Sunday, Al Jacquez and Friends will provide a little spiritual food for the soul with a program of gospel music during the 10:30 a.m. service.

"Twenty years ago members of this small parish wanted to celebrate the creative gifts of God with art, music and all manners of art," said Odette, a Troy attorney who previously worked as curator of an art collection in New York City.

"We always had local art talent. The festival fits in with the character of the parish. It's who we are, a small parish where everyone gets involved."

To ensure the quality of visual art, Mary Clark Gage juried the show that transforms the church, parish hall, hallways, and classrooms into a gallery. Gage has worked as a director/manager for several galleries including Sybaris in Royal Oak and Detroit Focus. An upper level room offers afford-



Fiber art: This sweater by Anastatia Stutcher is one of hundreds of works to be featured at Nativity Episcopal Church during a three-day arts extravaganza.

able art, \$50 and under, not juried by Gage.

Wonderful mix

"The art is excellent quality," said Odette. "It's a wonderful mix of new artists and people we've shown before."

Joanne Goldberg of West Bloomfield is bringing her beaded evening bags, whimsical dolls and silver jewelry to the festival. Goldberg uses tiny needles to recreate vintage Victorian handbags from the early 1900s.

"Six years ago my granddaughter wanted a necklace and I went to Bead Works in Franklin and saw the handbags and have been doing them ever since," said Goldberg. "The dolls, you can wear, sit on a chair or hang on the wall. I think they're funky and fun."

Husband and wife artists Al and Joanie Ugelow offer more traditional art. He paints watercolor florals and landscapes that focus on barns, a little French town and doorway in Tuscany.

She hand-builds functional and decorative clay bowls, platters and vases.

"The stoneware is free form with lots of decoration — a leaf motif or white pine needle imprints glazed with green," said Joanie, a Troy resident who retired as an English teacher for Warren Consolidated Schools a decade ago.

"Since retiring, clay has brought me a great deal of joy. It allows me to be creative and share my work with people. We're just delighted how they display the artists work in the festival. They coordinate clay with fabric and painting. It has a very professional appearance."

Al Ugelow, who returned from teaching psychology at Oakland Community College, agrees with his wife that the festival is well-

managed.

"The upstairs boutique offers the opportunity (for artists) to have things there that people can buy right away and not have to go to the bank," he said.

Making the arts attractive to the community is what Martha Cormie tried to do during her 15 years as chairperson of the festival, a major fund-raiser for the church. Twenty percent of the sales go to outreach programs which includes housing a group of homeless people at the church for a week.

"In the early years we only had 20 artists but always set it up as a gallery," said Cormie, of Beverly Hills. "I'm excited the reputation of the Nativity festival has reached a broader audience of artists and outgrown the church fair image."

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participated in while growing up.

"The arts council makes it a nicer place to live," said Mayor Graham. "One of the interesting things here for the city and township is we have a museum, an orchestra with excellent concerts and programming, and the arts council. How many other communities have what we have here? I think it's a tribute to the people involved here that all of these things exist in our community."

Marian Kehrl is one of the people responsible for making the arts council a jewel in the com-

munity. As treasurer of Artsco, the foundation established to oversee facility needs for the arts council, Kehrl helps ensure the existence of the nonprofit.

"I just love this place," said Kehrl who has colored pencil works currently on display at the arts council. "We're hoping to expand classes for children and adults."

"Now we have a future," said Tobin. "The future is bright with lots of possibilities."

"We're unlocking the door to endless possibilities," added Greene.

Ideas for using the house next

door seem immeasurable as well. Tobin thinks the heated garage with electrical outlets would make a great pottery studio. The arts council is planning a June meeting with the community on the future of the organization founded in 1969 by Joanne Winckleman Hulce and a handful of arts lovers.

"It's overwhelming," said Tobin. "We'd like to see increased parking for our events. We have to go back to the drawing board and look at future

plans but there's been a huge burden lifted by putting facility worries to rest so we can continue to do what we do."

Just seven years ago the arts council was housed above a Main Street storefront, now the future is filled with golden opportunities.

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ART LECTURES

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GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

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

CPO Gallery: Ron Zarkin and The Pizz continues to March 31, at the gallery 4160 Woodward (313) 833 9901

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

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

Farmington Art Corridor: Umoja Gallery presents work by African American artists through Friday, March 15 hosted by cities of Farmington and Farmington Hills Farmington City Hall on Grand River west of Farmington Road, and Farmington Hills City Hall, 11 Mile and Orchard Lake roads (248) 552 1070 or (248) 473-1856

Farmington Public Library: Sunflowers, Visual Art Association Livonia student art exhibit through March 28, 23500 Liberty, west of Farmington, south of Grand River

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

Ford Gallery: 2002 Michigan Drawing Biennial continues to March 22, in the gallery on the campus of Eastern Michigan University, Ypsilanti (734) 487-0465

Habitat Galleries: Two solo shows, featuring works by glass artists, Jose Chardiet and Antoine Leperlier, continue through March 30 at the gallery, 4400 Fernlee, Royal Oak (248) 554-0590

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

Lomborg Gallery: Group show continues to March 9, Billboard project by Stephen Deebis through March 10 23241 Woodward, Ferndale, (248) 591 6623

Livonia City Hall: Artifacts Art Club members exhibit photography, colored pencil, watercolor, pastels and computer art through March 27, 33000 Civic Center Drive 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday Friday For evening hours call (734) 421-2000

Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery: Paintings by Kay Rowe continues to March 24 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road (734) 466 2490

Lawrence St. Gallery: Sixth annual Exposures Photography 02 Show continues to Friday, March 29 6 N Saginaw, Pontiac (248) 334-6716

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Madonna University: Student exhibit continues to Thursday March 21 in the Exhibit Gallery on the second floor of the Library Wing on campus 36600 Schoolcraft Livonia (734) 432 5710

Meadow Brook Art Gallery: Artisan Painters American Folk Portraits and Landscapes of the 18th and 19th Century continues to April 10 Oakland University Rochester noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday Friday 1.5 30 p.m. Saturday Sunday (248) 370 3005

Paint Creek Center for the Arts: Art Function and Design furniture and functional art by Michigan artists in the Main Gallery Between Stones featuring works by Linda Ferguson in the First Floor Gallery continues to April 6 at the arts center 407 Pine Street Rochester (248) 651 4110

Pewabic Pottery: National Juried Exhibition The Vase showcases more than 50 vases by 46 artists continues to Saturday April 13 10125 East Jefferson Detroit (313) 822 0954

Picasso Cafe: Billie Thompson exhibits colorful florals in water colors - watercolors acrylics and monotypes to March 30 39915 Grand River, Farmington (248) 427 0600

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

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

Scarab Club: Silver Medal Exhibition continues to March 30 in the second floor Lounge Gallery Bette Pruden Have Ease! Will Travel continues to March 30 217 Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts 5200 Woodward (313) 831 1250

Elizabeth Stone Gallery: Exhibit by children's book illustrator Robin Brickman continues to March 15 536 North Old Woodward Birmingham (248) 647 7040

Swords into Plowshares Peace Center and Gallery: War and Peace exhibit by G. Jesse Gledhill continues to April 13 33 East Adams Detroit (313) 963 7575

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

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

Washington Street Gallery: Leslie Masters' Southern Sun landscapes from Italy and France through March 30 215 East Washington Street Ann Arbor (734) 761 2287

Woods Gallery: Exhibit by Sherry Adams Foster runs through March 25 in the lower level Huntington Woods Library 26415 Scotia Huntington Woods south of 11 Mile Road (248) 543 9720

WORKSHOPS

Actors Workshop: With Gordon Michaels acting coach for Dylan McDermott on The Practice television show 1.6 p.m. Saturday Sunday March 16 17 at Genetti's Northville The cost is \$250 To enroll call (310) 727 2383 or send e-mail to Gordonmichaels22@aol.com

Bravo TV: Now taking applications for a free two-day performance workshop for ages 10 17 April 12 13 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 774 North Sheldon at Junction Space limited to the first 100 kids (734) 416 4278

Young Authors: The Young Authors Program of The Detroit Writers Guild will conduct workshops through May for children grades 3-12 noon to 3 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month

at The Schoolhouse, 19363 Livernois Detroit The free workshops consist of poetry essay and short story writing (313) 272 7083

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Winter Break Art Camp 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday Friday April 15 tuition is \$180 for members \$200 nonmembers 1516 South Cranbrook Road north of 14 Mile Birmingham (248) 644-0866

Farmington Hills Cultural Arts Division: Presents Artfest for Kids a special series of art exploration and interesting crafts for ages 5-11. The cost is \$35 for each Heritage Park Day Camp Jurassic Park is the theme of the next day camp 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday April 27 The Cultural Arts Division offers a host of art classes and workshops from drawing for teens to jewelry making and parent and child water color painting Call (248) 473 1800

Jewish Community Center: Offering dance classes for preschool children at the Oak Park campus 15110 W Ten Mile Road (248) 967 4030

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

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

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

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

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

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

Fox Theatre: Cinderella Story through Sunday March 10 Shows at 7 30 p.m. Thursday Saturday 2 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. and 6 30 p.m. Sunday \$24-\$56 (248) 433-1515

Furniture Factory: Civil Sex Friday Sunday March 8 10 and Menopausal Gentleman Friday Sunday March 22 24 at the theater 4126 Third between Willis and Alexandrine Detroit Performances 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday 4 p.m. Sunday \$15 \$24 (313) 832 8890

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

Jewish Ensemble Theatre: Present the Michigan premiere of the play about the brutal murder of Matthew Shepard a young gay college student The Laramie Project, continues to Sunday



Cakewalk: Don Reasor shows this 36 in. by 48 in. oil painting along with a dozen others through Friday, March 15, in Marshall Field's Fine Art Gallery, 21500 Northwestern Highway, Southfield. For more information, call (248) 443-4383. The Southfield artist recently published a limited edition print of a painting titled "Paradise Valley," an area of Detroit once known for its night life. Reasor studied art at Bessemer Technical College in Alabama. He's been painting 40 years.

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

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

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

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

COMMUNITY THEATER

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

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

Ridgedale Players: Agatha Christie's The Mousetrap continues weekends to March 15 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday at the playhouse 205 West Long Lake between Livernois and Crooks Troy \$12 \$11 students/seniors on Sundays only (248) 988 7049

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

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

Trinity House Theatre: The Queen of Bingo presented by Flanders Theatre Company and Trinity House Theatre, continues to March 17 8 p.m. Friday Saturday, March 8-9 and 15 16, and 3 p.m. Sunday March 10 and 17, at Trinity House Theatre

38840 West Six Mile Road Livonia \$12, \$10 seniors/students (313) 538 5739

Players Guild of Dearborn: Murder by Misadventure continues week ends through March 17 Curtain 8 p.m. Friday Saturday 2 30 p.m. Sunday March 10 and 17 21730 Madison Dearborn \$11 (313) 561 TKTS

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

PuppetArt: Close the Window a puppet show based on Yiddish folklore 2 p.m. Saturday March 9 16 and 30 at Detroit Puppet theater 25 East Grand River (313) 961 7777

The Community House: With Sara Smith Productions presents Cinderella 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday March 9 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday March 10 380 S Bates St \$7 before the event \$9 at the door (248) 594-6415

Marquis Theatre: Jack and the Beanstalk opens 2 30 p.m. Saturday March 9 Continues through April 5 Shows 2 30 p.m. Saturday Sunday, and Monday Friday April 15, 135 E Main St Northville \$7 50, (248) 349 8110

Genitti's Hole-in-the-wall: Shirley Holmes Girl Detective 11 30 a.m. lunch with performance March 16 and 23 at the restaurant, 108 Main Northville \$11 95 children \$12 95 adults (248) 349-0522

COLLEGE THEATER

Bonstelle Theatre: The Adding Machine 8 p.m. Friday Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 8-10 3424 Woodward Detroit \$8 10 (313) 577 2960

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

DINNER THEATER

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

Genitti's Hole-in-the-wall Wild West Michigan: 7 p.m. March 8 9 and 16 and 6 p.m. March 9, at the restaurant 108 Main, Northville \$45 (248) 349 0522 for reservations

SPECIAL EVENTS

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

78th Annual Circus at the Fairgrounds: A combination of magic theatre and circus acts in a single ring through March 10 at the State Fair Grounds Woodward at Eight Mile, Detroit Performances 7 p.m. Thursday Friday, 10 30 a.m. 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Saturday and 1 30 p.m. and 5 30 p.m. Sunday \$11 \$26 (866) 244 8673

Tiny Tots Concert: Featuring the CutTime Players members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and Civic Jazz Orchestra 11 a.m. Saturday March 9, at the Seligman Family Performing Arts Center 22305 West 13 Mile Beverly Hills \$11 (313) 576-5111

BENEFITS

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

Wine & Memories: A fundraiser for the Emerald Sinfonietta 5 30 p.m. Sunday March 10 John Jonna of Merchant's Fine Wine will conduct a wine tasting entertainment by Bob Allison Alice Haidostian and Felix Resnick, at the Belian Art Center, 5980 Rochester Road, Troy \$100 (313) 438-0780 or visit the Web site at www.emeraldalsinfonietta.org

DINING ADVENTURES

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

CLASSICAL

Cranbrook Music Guild: Scott Holden pianist performs 8 p.m. Tuesday March 12, in the sanctuary of Christ Church Cranbrook \$25 \$15 for students (248) 644-6352

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

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Perlman and Protege - Itzhak Perlman conducts the orchestra 8 p.m. Thursday March 14 8 30 p.m. Saturday, March 16 and 3 p.m. Sunday March 17 at Orchestra Hall 3711 Woodward Ave Detroit \$20 \$54 Call (313) 576 5111

Redford Civic Symphony: Presents a cabaret concert 3 p.m. Sunday March 17, in the Thurston High School Cafeteria, 196 service drive (Schoolcraft) between Beech Daly and Inkster roads Selections include dances by Rameau and Woodhouse Irving Berlin's Symphonic Portrait Old Devil Moon and sketches from the opera, Martha Also a medley of favorite Irish tunes Featured soloist is orchestra member Lyman Perry who will play a harp monica adaptation of Violin Concerto #2 by Friedrich Seitz No charge For information call (313) 535 4119 or visit the Web site at www.redfordsymphony.com

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

CHORAL

Detroit Concert Choir: A Little Traveling Music features music from around the world 8 p.m. Saturday March 9 at St. Clare of Montefalco Church 1401 Whittier at Mack Grosse Pointe Park and 3 p.m. Sunday March 10 at Old St. Mary's Church in Greetkown 646 Monroe Detroit \$15 \$12 seniors/students (313) 882 0118



Mid by Midwest Festival: Chrome Flies is one of several bands playing the two-day festival, held this weekend at several venues throughout Detroit, including The Magic Stick, Lager House, Old Miami and Motor City Brewing Works. For details, check http://mxmw.com on the Internet

DINING

Hungry for fish? Head to the Plymouth Fish Market

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
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Happy Anniversary, Plymouth Fish Seafood Market, for 50 years of serving fish dinners good enough to ship to the Vatican

For the past five decades, this small, storefront restaurant located in 115-year-old building in Plymouth's historic Old Village has deep-fried, grilled, baked and sold enough fish to fill an ocean, especially during Lent

"Good Friday is our number one day. It's like our Christmas," said owner Vince Toia, who has owned the restaurant with his wife, Lori, for the past five years

Besides serving succulent fish entrées such as grilled salmon, catfish or swordfish, the Toias stock over 20 varieties of fresh fish, as well as crab legs, frog legs and lobster tails. The fish arrives three times a week from five distributors, including the Superior Fish Company in Royal Oak. If you don't see what you want, they'll order it.

If you're really hungry for fish and chips, show up on a Monday. That's when the popular menu item goes into its all-you-can-eat mode. Endless amounts of lightly battered cod fillets, potatoes and a roll are a bargain at \$7.69.

"The most pieces anyone ever ate was 21," said Lori.

"We never saw him again," said Vince.

Can't make it on Monday? Come on Tuesday. That's the day Lori puts together her Baja-Style Fish Tacos — two taco shells stuffed with refried beans, deep-fried cod, tomatoes, onions, olive oil and seasonings, and a special cream sauce that goes on top.

"It's just fabulous," said Lori. "We're the owners and we're always waiting for Tuesdays so we can eat them."

Customer Bob Hood of Jackson, who works in Livonia, stops by the Plymouth Fish Market at least twice a week. They know his

usual order by heart: Grilled catfish with redskin potatoes.

"This is Bob's catfish," said Lori on her way to deliver the dish to Bob. "And it's not just any catfish. It's farm-raised so it doesn't taste murky."

"I just love it," said Hood. "I don't know what makes it so good. It just melts in your mouth. I never had a bad one yet."

Perfect fish and chips

Turning out great fish and chips is a matter of proper cooking temperatures and good ingredients, said Vince. It took him six months to perfect his light and crispy batter.

"Now our customers just love it," he said.

If anybody should know about fish and chips it's the British, and Lori boasts that transplants from Great Britain have become regular customers.

"They get excited about our fish and chips because it's the closest to what they had at home, except we don't serve smashed peas."

The Toias are generous with their servings. When I brought home two orders of fish and chips (three pieces of cod!), my husband (a big guy) claimed there was enough for four meals. And when Vince stopped at my table to show off an entrée of salmon and red-

skin potatoes I just knew the customer would need a take home box.

Every order of fish comes with steak fries, redskins or rice plus coleslaw and a roll. Lori said the rice, which is bouillon based with carrots, celery and onion has become quite popular and is "a nice accompaniment to fish."

Even the homemade coleslaw, often the make it or break it touch when judging a great fish and chip dinner, has a unique taste — dill.

"We have people who don't like coleslaw say they like our coleslaw. That's a pretty good compliment," said Lori.

Lori and Vince make the Plymouth Fish Market a real family affair. They never dream of a bigger, grander place. A smaller restaurant allows them to have a "great clientele" and flexibility, said Vince.

"It's a casual place. We're not the dress up, high priced place. We like kids and families. There's nothing written in rock here. If a person wants something different we'll do it."

The Toias (he's of Sicilian decent and she's Italian) also have a catering business, All Seasons Catering, which specializes in Italian cuisine. Call (734) 421-3268.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Good eats: Tasty treats like fish and chips along with fried scallops at the Plymouth Fish Market in Old Village.

Cigar dinner is Rouge fundraiser

An elegant, five-course dinner featuring wild game and hand-folled cigars will be the highlight of a Tuesday, March 12, fundraising event to support the educational programs of Friends of the Rouge, the 15-year-old non-profit environmental organization that conducts the annual Rouge Rescue river clean-up.

The event will also include a silent auction. Tickets are \$125 each and can be bought by calling (313) 792-9900 or by going to the Friends of the Rouge Web site, www.therouge.org, and following the instructions at the "Current Events" icon.

The dinner will be at Merrywethers in Southfield, and will be prepared by the restaurant's executive chef, Matthew Barkach Meriwethers, a Chuck Muer restaurant, is at 25485 Telegraph, just north of 10 Mile Road. Cigars will be provided by Smokers Only of Allen Park and CAO Non-smoking rooms will be available. Cocktails (cash bar) begin at 6 p.m. and dinner is at 7 p.m.

The dinner and auction will help raise funds to support the organization's school-based and community-based environmental education programming, including the nationally acclaimed Rouge Education Project and the popular Frog & Toad survey.

Nearly 35,000 students in Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw counties have participated in the Rouge Education Project since it was established in 1987.

Students monitor the water quality in the Rouge River. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality uses some of the data they collect.

The Frog & Toad Survey is one of several volunteer projects offered by Friends of the Rouge. It asks volunteers to listen for the mating calls of frogs and toads. The data they collect helps to identify and protect dwindling wildlife habitat in the area. Friends of the Rouge was established in 1986 to promote restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River.

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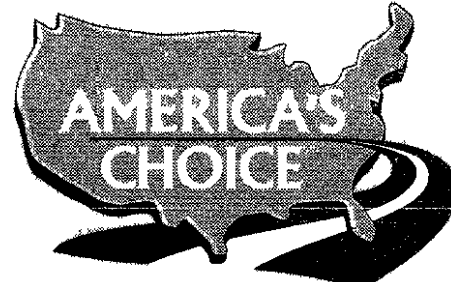
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At Home

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ASK DAD



HARRY JACHYM

Maintain grout for lovely tiles

For beauty, durability and ease of cleaning, it's tough to top tile. But it has a weakness: the grout lines.

The grout, a mixture of cement, sand and coloring agents, may crack or chip. Flexing the floor (or wall) supporting them is probably the major reason. Temperature changes, an object striking them or even poor installation also can cause problems.

It's important to repair the damaged grout as soon as possible. If left unchecked, moisture can escalate a small job into a full-blown tear out and replacement of the entire floor,

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Getting to it

Remove as much of the damaged grout as possible using a tool called a grout saw. (It may also be called a grout rake or simply a grout-removing tool.) These are inexpensive and available where tile is sold. Try to remove the grout down to the base material. Eye protection is a good idea for most any job but essential for this part. Vacuum the grout chips and dust.

If you are lucky, there will be a partial bag of dry grout left from the original application. If not, take a few larger pieces of the broken grout to help match the existing color with you when purchasing new grout. It may be necessary to mix two or more colors to obtain a good match. Mix a small sample and let it dry for several days for comparison.

Mix the dry grout with a latex additive rather than water. This additive increases the bond strength and makes the grout a bit more flexible.

Dampen the area and work the grout in the space between the tiles. As the grout begins to setup, (about ten minutes or so) match the shape with the surrounding area using your finger or a sponge. I suggest waterproof gloves if you have sensitive skin or the grout has deep color.

When to use caulk

If the broken grout occurred near dissimilar material such as a door threshold or shower base it will likely reoccur. This is caused by the different expansion and contraction rates of the materials. It's best to use a caulk instead of grout to repair these areas. Caulks are available in a wide range of colors that will closely resemble the grout.

Seal the grout after the drying time specified by the sealer manufacturer.

Broken tiles need to be replaced. Remove the grout around the tile (using the grout saw). Then, with an electric drill and a masonry bit, drill several holes in the tile. Avoid drilling through the tile into the base material. Use a hammer to break up the old tile. Hold a rag over the tile to prevent splatter and use care not to damage the base material. Scrape away as much of the old adhesive as possible. Glue the new tile in place and re-grout as above.

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, teaches construction trades to high school students and is the general contractor for Habitat for Humanity, Western Wayne County. Since we all seem to ask our fathers for repair or remodeling advice, Jachym writes "Ask Dad," a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident. Send any questions or comments to Harry at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Susan Steinnmueller, 805 East



Pretty purple: The African Violet Society is ready to host its upcoming show this month where the easy-to-grow plants will be for sale.

AFRICAN VIOLET CARE

African Violets are easy to grow. They need good, bright light and regular feedings and can bloom year-round.

■ Light

Insufficient light is one of the major reasons violets won't bloom. They must have 10 to 14 (no more than 16) hours of bright light per day, but not direct sun. If adequate natural light isn't available, use twin tube fluorescent lights. Make sure leaves are about 10 inches below the tubes. Because violets process nutrients in darkness, they need eight hours of dark per day.

■ Temperature

70 to 75 degrees Fahrenheit is ideal and 60 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit is tolerated for short periods of time.

■ Humidity

40 to 50 percent relative humidity is ideal. Wick watering is ideal because the plant sits on top of a reservoir of water.

■ Pots

Use plastic or ceramic pots. Terra cotta pots tend to collect salts, harmful chemicals, and pests. Don't use a pot that's too large. Don't transplant to a larger pot until the roots fill the present pot. Violets tend to bloom most when they are slightly root bound.

■ Fertilizer

Lack of fertilizer or too infrequent feeding are among the reasons for lack of blossoms. Peters 12-36-14 is a good source to add to soil. Mix 1/4 teaspoon per gallon of water and use this mixture each time you water. Quadruple the blooms with Nature's Miracle sprinkled over the top of the soil every 10 weeks.

■ Water

Never use water through a softener. Keep water room temperature. Keep the violet moist, not wet. Don't allow plant to become completely dry.

Wick watering is a good technique. Place a nylon wick on the bottom of the pot with the loose end extending out of the pot about 4 inches. Hang the loose end of the wick in a container of fertilizer/water mixture (see above). Never let the pot touch the water - only the wick should touch the water. This keeps the violet watered for two to four weeks depending on the size of the reservoir.

■ Soil

Violets need light, airy soil that won't pack hard and allows for easy root

Please see **VIOLET, C2**

IN bloom

Flower societies host violet and orchid shows

BY LANA MINI
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Twenty years ago Ingrid Bowman received a purple African Violet from her sister in law. For fun back then, she pinched off a few leaves and tried to sprout more plants. She succeeded.

Fast-forward to the year 2002. Bowman, of Waterford, is an active member of the Michigan African Violet Society and her house is filled throughout with the flowering plants in shades of purple, pink and white.

For Bowman's fulfilled lifestyle, violets are the perfect flower because they're grown indoors and are simple to care for by a busy person.

"I'm a big traveler, but I also love plants so these flowers are wonderful for me," Bowman said. "They can be wick watered and left for several weeks at a time."

Low maintenance flowers that bloom easily are the trend, but for some people time isn't an issue when it comes to growing their favorite blossom. The Michigan Orchid Society flower fans grow the easy and more difficult plants.

Both the African Violet and Orchid societies are hosting shows this month.

Bowman and 20 other violet fans will host the African Violet Spring Display and Sale 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, March 30, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 31, at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.

HOW TO CARE FOR ORCHIDS

■ Where to cut the flower spike when it's "dead"

When most orchids finish blooming the spike should be cut off with a sharp, sterile blade as close to the base of the spike as possible. Of all the more commonly available orchids, only phalaenopsis (the moth orchid) will re-bloom from its old spike. Phalaenopsis will generally re-bloom given a little extra care.

The spike should be cut between the scar left by the first flower and the last node (swollen, jointed area on the stem). One of the lower nodes will then initiate a new spike that will generally produce flowers within eight to 12 weeks. Younger or weaker plants may not re-bloom.

It is also a good idea to cut the spike off entirely by midsummer to allow the plant to grow strongly to produce next year's bloom.

■ How often should I water?

Once every four to seven days depending on the dryness of the home. Allow the plants to approach dryness and apply sufficient water so that it drains freely through the container. Never allow the potted plant to sit in its own water.

Flowering plants may require more frequent watering to make up for the greater burden of the flowers. Plants will require less water when not in active growth and more while growing.

Increased frequency of watering won't make up for a poor root system. If roots are not plump and alive, repotting may be

needed.

Lastly, plants with thinner, softer foliage require more water than those with harder, more succulent leaves. Plants with pseudobulbs (such as dendrobiums and cattleyas) generally need to dry out more between waterings than do those without (such as phalaenopsis).

■ Do orchids need to be fertilized while they are in flower? What fertilizer should I use?

Yes, if anything, flowering plants need extra fertilizer. Plants need to be fertilized with a product appropriate to the medium in which they are grown. Plants in a bark-based mix will need a fertilizer high in nitrogen (usually in a 3-1-1 ratio) while a balanced fertilizer will do for all others (usually a 1-1-1 ratio). If in doubt, fertilize with the same balanced fertilizer you use for your other container plants.

Orchids will do far better with too little fertilizer than with too much. The old adage "Feed weakly, weekly" is appropriate.

Fertilize every week with a dilute solution.

■ When to repot

When fresh rooting activity is expected (generally in the spring) or is very evident generally every one or two years. Fresh rooting activity is best shown by the succulent green root tips or plump white roots. Often the main flush of rooting comes from the base.

Source: http://www.alohaorchid.com/new_page_9.htm

Admission is free, but Bowman recommends attending the show on March 30 or early March 31 because plants always sell out.

A week earlier, the Michigan Orchid

Society will host its Palm Sunday Show 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 23, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 24, at Laurel Park Place Mall.

Please see **FLOWERS, C2**

GARDEN SPOT

Cast your eye toward the castor bean

My friend, Tina Dupke's, poem is the perfect introduction to March. She calls it *Winter's Vengeance*.

Winter with full knowledge that her allotted time is spent

With vengeance must have her final fling, before she will relent

She swirls her skirts of dark, cold winds and dances through the night,

And scatters branches on the ground, in fiendish child delight

She spills the rain across the sky then with her frigid glances,

In jealous rage at Spring the land, she icily enhances



MARTY FIGLEY

Then started by the morning's sun, she wears of the game

And wrapping herself in diamond robes, relinquishes her claim

A recent week personified this poem with all the snow we had - but wasn't it beautiful! Little by little the weather will become warmer and we'll be out in the garden doing our "thing" until cold weather once again forces us inside.

We can plan our gardens now. Two annuals with large, attractive foliage are Castor Bean and Elephant's Ear. Growing both will be an interesting experience.

While we wait for spring to really arrive, you might want

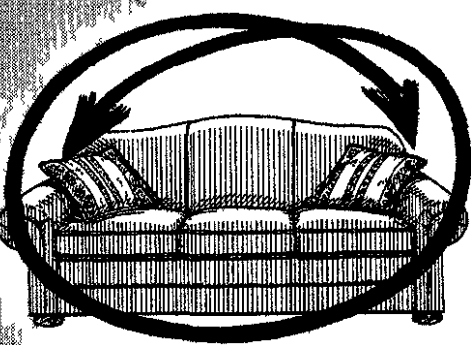


Interesting plant: The seeds of the easy-to-grow castor bean contain castor oil but the skin of the beans are toxic.

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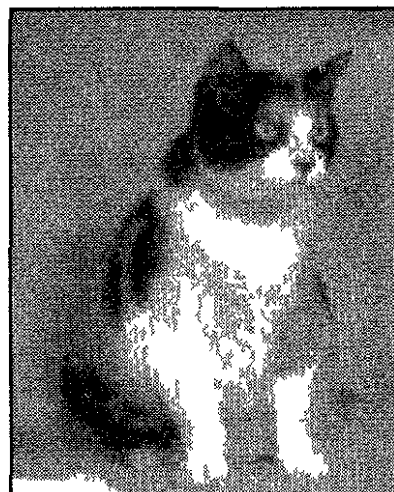
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PETS OF THE WEEK

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Cat of the Week: Sunrise is a 6-year-old Domestic Shorthair female with a terrific personality. This gentle cat has a fabulous white coat with black and tan calico markings. She loves to be held and cuddled. Sunrise needs a home with gentle owners as her life in the past hasn't been easy - she deserves a family who will give her lots of affection. Because she is already spayed, vaccinated, and litter box trained, she is able to go to a new home today! To bring Sunrise home, visit the Michigan Humane Society Rochester Hills Shelter, (248) 852-7420.



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Orchids are the largest plant family with 35,000 species and more than 60,000 hybrids. They're extremely diverse. Some can bloom in a teacup, others need larger containers and form vines several feet long. Some grow tiny flowers that require a microscope for viewing and others are as large as a plate.

Some are suitable for prom corsages and others resemble butterflies. Some last days while others last months. Orchid growing was once a hobby for the wealthy, but modern propagation methods have made the flowers affordable. From the tropics to the subarctic, they grow in trees, on rocks and even under the ground.

Violet from page C1

by removing one third of the old soil and replacing with new soil. ■ Grooming: Remove up to three leaves per month from the bottom row. Carefully bend the leaves to the side while gently pulling. The leaf stem will break away clean. This keeps all the leaves new and fresh and promotes a burst of new growth from the crown. Keep old blossoms picked off and remove the

old bloom stalk completely when all blooms are finished. If you find a white dust on the plants they might have mildew. Use a fungicide spray such as Captan. Measure 1 teaspoon to 1 gallon of water and spray the affected plants. Provide more air movement to avoid any future mildew problems.

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to start looking for seeds so you'll have them when it's time to plant them.

Take some time to read the package directions so your plants will grow beautifully. They have completely different horticultural requirements.

Castor Bean

Castor Bean (*Ricinus communis*) has large, shiny leaves with five to 11 toothed lobes and often measures more than 1 foot across.

There is one species in the genus. The common one has burgundy foliage and is easy to find in garden shops. Other varieties have leaf colors of yellow, red and gray, some have contrasting veins and deeply cleft leaves. These plants will draw lots of attention to your garden. For a real "wow," grow several different cultivars.

The Castor Bean or Castor-oil plant is a native of tropical Africa and was introduced to English horticulture in 1548. It wasn't grown much until glass houses were built and the seeds could be planted early in the houses.

The common name is derived from the similarity of the oil to castoreum, a strong smelling, oily substance obtained from the sexual glands of the beaver and formerly used in medicines and perfumes. It is also called *Palma Christi* (Palm of Christ) in South and Central America.

The seeds contain castor oil, regularly used as a laxative some years ago. The oil was used for lubricating machinery and in the production of linoleum, paint, soap and ink.

The plant is easy to grow. Just press the spiny, red seed an inch into the soil and watch it grow. It needs lots of sunshine and water.

Inconspicuous flowers are followed by the seedpods, the skin of the beans contains the deadly toxin ricin. Don't let your children play with them, remove the flower panicles before they bear fruit.

Elephant's Ear

Another candidate for the tall garden is Elephant's Ear, *Colocasia*, a tender bulb that likes high temperatures and humidity. There are six or seven species, one of which *C. esculenta* produces edible tubers. Poi is made from the root.

Plant the tubers 4 inches deep, 48 inches apart. The plant takes several months to reach maturity. It likes to be constantly covered by 3 to 5 inches of water.

No fertilizer is required unless the soil is very poor, then a good dressing with a balanced organic fertilizer should be worked into the soil at planting time.

At the end of the season, lift the tuber and keep it barely

moist and warm during the colder months. Replant when day temperatures are 65 to 70 degrees and night temperatures are in the 55 degree range.

The heart shaped leaves are often shades of green, sometimes interlarded with a deep brownish-purple color between the lateral veins. It would be outstanding and a show stopper in the right setting.

A container with a slurry of water would provide the proper moisture, just don't let the container dry out.

GOOD GARDEN TIP

Don't cover emerging spring bulbs - they tolerate subfreezing temperatures just fine.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham.

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Consumers want energy efficient appliances

I have written many articles and spoken many times about the shopping habits of Americans when it comes to major home appliances. It was only a year ago when you read about the projected cost of a new washing machine reaching \$800 plus it's beginning to happen, and with the new technology will come even higher prices.



JOE GAGNON

The \$289 washer will soon

become a thing of the past, and those who will benefit from this happening are the service technicians who repair them. At least for a while, many homeowners will opt to have their appliances fixed rather than shopping for a current, expensive model.

Paying the lowest possible price has always been the norm for the majority of consumers, but there's a story from Appliance Magazine that shows a new trend. Consumers now rank energy efficiency as the most important factor in shopping for new home appliances, according to a study by Madison, Wis.-based Primen, an energy market-intelligence company.

In its study *Attitudes and Behaviors of Residential Con-*

sumers about Energy Efficiency, Primen asked 500 households about factors affecting home appliance purchases and knowledge of energy issues. Consumers in four US geographic regions and California were asked to rank the impact of purchasing decisions on the following factors - fuel choice (natural gas/electricity), price, energy efficiency, brand name, product features, availability and appearance.

The key finding indicates energy efficiency has replaced price as the top appliance purchasing consideration in the US. A majority of US households now plan to make an extra effort to buy energy-efficient appliances in the future according to the study.

Three fourths of consumers said energy efficiency was a very important factor in purchasing appliances during the past year. About 84 percent said they anticipate that energy efficiency will be a very important consideration in making future purchasing decisions.

The survey also showed that consumer attitudes have been shaped by campaigns aimed at raising awareness of energy efficiency such as the US Energy Star labeling program.

Nearly 56 percent of consumers report they have seen efficiency related advertising. Roughly one quarter of the respondents said they would be willing to pay more (15 to 25 percent above the standard price) for

higher efficiency appliances. It is the opinion of this lonely voice that this new trend toward energy efficiency will equate to the original shopping habit of price being most important. I hope to see one day the trend move to the most important area that so many of us desire when buying an appliance and that is quality.

Ask any service technician what they think about the components and structure of modern appliances and the life span they command today and you are liable to get a response on how they should be made and how it used to be.

Here are some things to consider when shopping for home

appliances. ■ Call independent service companies that repair appliances and ask what they think is the best brand. Ask what brand has the least amount of repairs. ■ Simple is best. The less gadget gets you have the less there is to break down.

Joe Gagnon can be heard Saturday and Sunday on 760 WJR. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals.

Got a question for the Appliance Doctor? Call him at (313) 873-9789, or write to him in care of Keely Kaleski Wygonik, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

GARDENING CALENDAR

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GARDENING CLUBS

Redford Club: Meets 7 p.m. on the first Monday of the month at the Redford Community Center on Capital in the library. Share information with fellow gardeners attend workshops and programs offered through the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan which are provided for members. Call Sandy (313) 937-4465 for club and membership information.

African Violet Society: Is having its annual spring display and sale 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday March 30 and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday March 31 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens 1800 Dixboro Road Ann Arbor. No admission charge.

Community House Garden Club: At 7 p.m. on Monday March 11 the Community House Garden Club from Birmingham presents "Creative Container Gardening" given by George Papadellis owner of Telly's Greenhouse in Troy. Learn how to use both classic and new plants to create great container gardens. Includes annuals perennials tropicals grasses and even woody plants. Cost is \$5 for guests. For more information call Pat Jerzy at the Community House at (248) 644-5832.

The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society: The Michigan Cactus and Succulent Society will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday March 10 at Good Shepherd

Lutheran Church 814 North Campbell Royal Oak. The topic is "How to grow Astrophytum and Aloe Plants." Guests are welcome there is no charge. For more information call Kerry Krivoshein at (248)524-0227.

CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Schoolcraft College: Nancy Lindley will teach the Schoolcraft College class "Radiant Roses." Anyone with at least six hours of sun a day in the summer can grow roses, said Lindley. You can work around problems like poor soil but not around the issue of sun light. The five week class meets 6-9 p.m. beginning Monday March 18. Lindley will help backyard gardeners recognize the main rose categories and teach them how to select, fertilize, prune, train and winter protect the plants and produce glorious blooms in the spring and summer. The class will culminate with a visit to a rose garden on April 14. The fee for the class is \$98. For more information or to register contact the Schoolcraft College Continuing Education Services department at (734) 462-4448. Schoolcraft College is at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six and Seven Mile roads just west of I-275 in Livonia.

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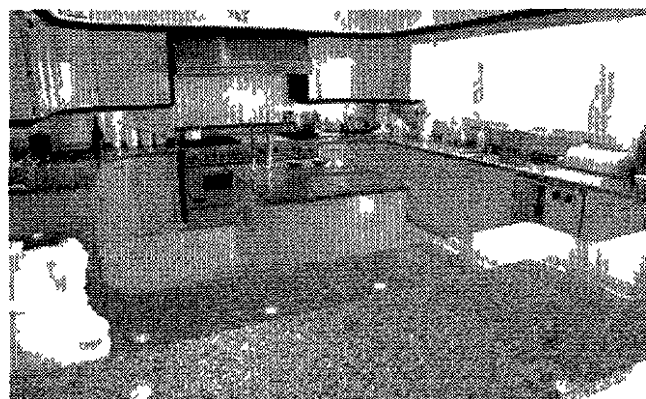
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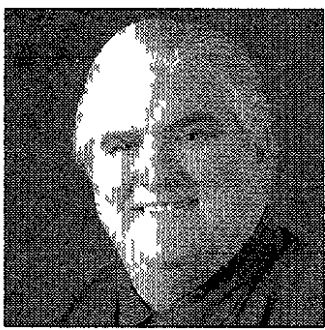
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How and when to choose a therapist

Many years ago a psychiatrist mentor of mine told me that there used to be a law requiring a psychiatrist to have a separate door for a patient to leave his office so they wouldn't have to go out through the waiting room area and possibly be seen by someone they knew.

We have come a long way since then in our field of mental health care. Stigmas about being "in therapy" have decreased, although not entirely eliminated. Myths still exist.

Generally, people seek the help of a mental health professional when they experience more distress in their lives than they want to continue to live with. This distress usually takes the form of anxiety and/or depression. The source of this distress can come from many places. Some are situational reactions to a life crisis or loss. Some stem from internal conflicts of an unbalanced emotional life. Some come from the stress of every day living which includes parenting, divorce, unemployment, and health problems such as traumatic brain injuries and cancer. Some come from mental illness such as schizophrenia and bipolar disorder (formally called manic depression).

When attempts to "pull yourself up by your boot straps" fail and talking to a trusted friend, family member, or clergy has not brought enough lasting relief from emotional distress, it is time to consider a mental health professional.

Types of therapists

Under the title of "mental health professional" or "psychotherapist," there are many different types of professionals in the field. They differ in educational background, certification and licensure and by title.

Psychologists - In Michigan one must be licensed to practice psychology. Some clinical psychologists have earned a doctorate degree and some have studied through graduate school and hold a master's degree.

Social workers - In Michigan, there is certification for social workers. Typically, a social worker-psychotherapist has attained a master's degree from a graduate school of social work and has had experience in the specialty practice of psychotherapy.

Counselors - This category is relatively new and includes people who have graduated from a school of rehabilitation counseling. They typically specialize in counseling for persons with disabilities such as traumatic brain injuries and occupational injuries.

Psychiatrists - They are medical physicians who have specialized in the treatment of mental illness.

Psychoanalysts - These have much advanced training in psychotherapy and psychoanalysis.

Certified counselors - They may specialize in substance abuse counseling, gambling counseling, grief counseling, and school counseling. In Michigan we now have certification in each of these disciplines.

Finally, there is Diplomate Status. A diplomate is a professional from any of the above fields who has been evaluated by an objective board of their peers and has attained significant distinction in training, education, professionalism and contribution to their field, as compared to the general population of practitioners.

Selecting a therapist

A good place to start is with your family doctor or clergy. When this is not available, a referral from a trusted friend who has had a good experience with a therapist is a way to go.

Keep in mind that it is not necessarily the academic background or the professional title that identifies a competent psychotherapist that will be a good match for you. I advise people to make an initial consultation appointment only (many therapists offer initial consultations at no charge).

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BY CINDI COOK
SPECIAL WRITER

Like many suburban fathers, Bob Nelson claims to be just another guy juggling the obligations of work, family, church, and home. He lives with his family in a colonial house in a subdivision like any other in southeast Michigan.

But what lies within his modest abode is anything but ordinary. Displayed proudly in a small bookcase in the living room are more than 100 priceless books, all first or extremely rare editions of works by the father of American literature, Mark Twain.

"I've always been an avid reader and developed a great love of Twain," says the Canton resident.

It started with his summer jobs at the Dawntreader Book Shop in Ann Arbor where he worked during his first years in graduate school at Cornell. A sale book, *The Tragedy of Pudd'nhead Wilson*, caught his eye.

"The title character, an eccentric man, gets involved in trying to solve a crime that is coming to trial in his town," Nelson said. "In the course of this, he makes use of fingerprint identification. The fingerprints prove that, decades before, a very light colored Negro servant had switched her baby with that of her mistress. In the end, the boy raised as the master is cast down in social status because he's now a Negro and the boy raised as the servant inherits considerable wealth and status because he's now White."

Nelson said that in addition to being a good read and a beautiful book, it is a powerful commentary on the artificial social division between blacks and whites.

The beautiful book also happens to be practically priceless. A few of the others in Nelson's collection follow suit, some being in Twain's personal possession at one time.

Nelson pulls them off the shelf with the pride of a father showing off his kid's sports trophies. He points out that typus in these early editions indicate that the books are indeed first editions, the printing presses of the day not affording one the luxury of a delete button.

Does he consider himself an expert? Although he has read multiple biogra-

Collecting Mark Twain books is his passion



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Collector: Robert Nelson of Canton holds Twain's first book *The Celebrated Jumping Frog* written in 1867 and *Tom Sawyer* written in 1876.

phies on the author and is an absolute font of information, he says no.

During his cybertravels, Nelson did land upon Jim Zwick, a scholar from the University of North Carolina. He contacted Zwick, one thing led to another, and eventually Nelson found his knowledge reaching a broader audience. Images of items in his collection were solicited for the companion book to the recent PBS documentary on Mark Twain produced by Ken Burns. It aired this past January.

Studying the life and work of this American author, it appears, is easy for a man who possesses his own huge love of knowledge. His undergraduate degree and graduate coursework were in mathematics, not literature. In fact, Nelson, a Michigan native, had completed everything but his dissertation when a unique business opportunity turned up. It led to the co-ownership of his company, Airflow Sciences, a business that studies and consults on the movement of air in any

and every capacity. Nelson says it is the best job he knows.

But it's literature that has enabled him to continue to travel far and wide — albeit in his mind's eye. A proposal to the Canton Public Library resulted in a public talk in November, as well as a display of a few of his books.

"It was a fifteen minute talk followed by 45 minutes of questions," Nelson said. "It was great."

Finding books

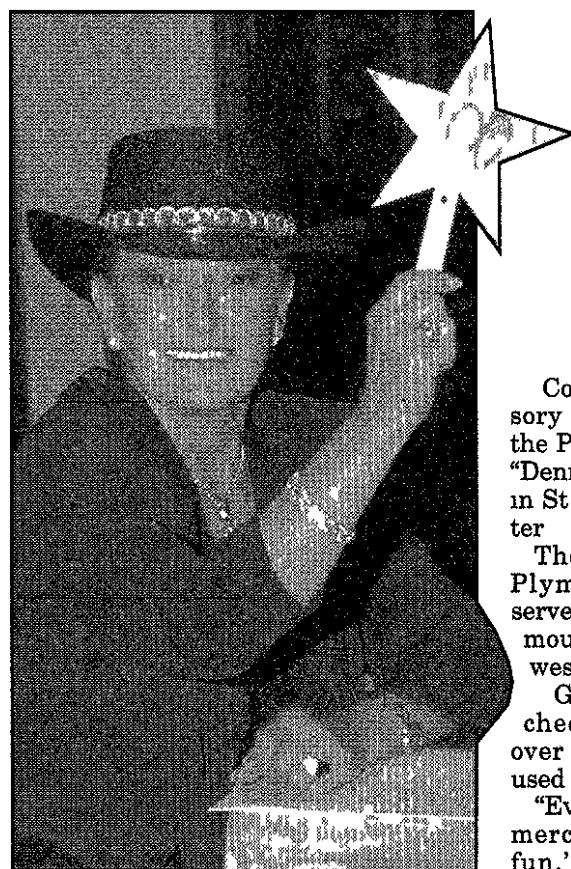
Nelson works with two dealers, one in Austin, Texas, and a Kevin McDonald from Heritage Bookshops in Los Angeles to obtain certain volumes.

Nelson hardly contains his enthusiasm, as, one by one, each book is brought forth with a comment or another fact of choice information.

Twain wrote his first book, *The*

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Going once, going twice: Joyce Costanza of Canton, left, co-owner of Station 885 and LaBistecca restaurants in Plymouth, makes a bid at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Auction Saturday at St. John's in Plymouth.

The event raised \$40,000 for the Plymouth-based arts group which served nearly 100,000 students in Plymouth-Canton schools and adults in western Wayne County in 2001.

Yippee! Western gala raises money, friends for Plymouth arts group

Cowboy hats were the fashion accessory of the evening last Saturday at the Plymouth Community Arts Council "Denim and Diamonds" dinner auction in St. John's Golf and Conference Center.

The event raised \$40,000 for the Plymouth-based arts group which served nearly 100,000 students in Plymouth-Canton schools and adults in western Wayne County in 2001.

Generous bidders opened their checkbooks and helped put PCAC over the top with funds that will be used to expand programming in 2002. "Everything checked — the music, the merchandise, the food — and it was fun," said Diane Harrison, auction chairwoman for the second consecutive year.

"It went smoothly because of all the people behind the scene — the staff, Close-Up students, Jennifer (Tobin), Stella (Greene) and just everyone," added Harrison.

Tobin is executive director of the PCAC and Greene is the director of development. Close-Up students from Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem high schools worked as volunteers at the event.

A 2002 Olympic hockey puck signed by Mike Eruzione, captain of the 1980 "Miracle on Ice" team was the single highest money-maker for the nonprofit arts group. The puck sold for \$1,325 to Joyce Costanza, a Canton Township resident and member of the arts council Board of Directors.

Donated by Jeff and Kathy Powers of Plymouth Township, the puck was ush-



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Olympic moneymakers: Plymouth Salem High School Principal Gerald Ostoin, center, wearing his Olympic torch bearer's jogging suit and holding an Olympic torch, shows off an 2002 Olympic hockey puck, signed by 1980 USA Captain Mike Eruzione, up for bid at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Auction. Stella Greene of the PCAC and Auctioneer Joe Carl, right, take bids on the item.

ered in for bidding by Salem High School Principal and a metro area Olympic torch carrier Gerald Ostoin.

Ostoin primed the crowd for bidding and it didn't disappoint. The Powers, who had several pucks signed, offered up a second puck at the same price to Paul Anderson of Plymouth.

Other hot items included a week's

stay in a South Haven beach home, a catered party for eight, a cherry picture frame curio cabinet, donated by the Village Shopkeeper of Plymouth, and a limited edition print of Frank Sinatra.

The MacKenzie family of Plymouth

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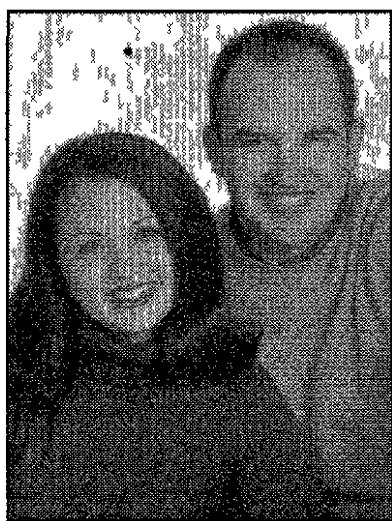
URSITI-BRICKEY

Charles and Patricia Ursitti of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen, to John Brickey, son of Jack and Gail Brickey of Plymouth

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, a 1998 graduate of Eastern Michigan University, where she currently attends graduate school. She plans to obtain an elementary teaching certification. She also student teaches in the Northville school district.

Her fiancée is a 1994 graduate of Allen Park High School and will graduate in April 2002 from Eastern Michigan University with an elementary teaching certification. He is currently student teaching in the South Lyon school district.

A June 22, 2002 wedding is planned at St. John's in Plymouth.



WREN-KOVACHEVICH

Frank and Jeanne Wren of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Renee Wren, to Kevin Jason Kovachevich, son of Susan Cline and Bill Kovachevich of Canton.

Danielle is a 1999 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in science. She also holds a master's degree in curriculum and teaching from MSU. She is employed as a teacher in the Plymouth school district.

Kevin is a 1999 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in finance. He is employed at Bernard Financial Group in Southfield.

A fall of 2002 wedding is planned at Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak.



BOL-JOHNSON

Kenneth Bol of New Boston and Sheryl Bol of Livonia, announce the engagement of their daughter, Martha Ellen, to Peter Johnson, son of Patricia and Mark Zellman of Detroit, and Duane Johnson of Evergreen Park, Ill.

Martha Bol is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School. She graduated from Western Michigan University in 1996 with a BBA, and is currently working as a promotion planner for Valassis in Livonia.

Peter Johnson graduated from Redford Union in 1989. He graduated from Wayne State University with a degree in criminal justice/pre law. He is currently for Back to The Past Comics & Collectibles in Livonia as a store manager. A wedding is planned for April 2002 in St. John's Episcopal Church, Royal Oak.



VELTRI-PALOSKI

Joe and Linda Veltri of Gregory announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon, to Brian Paloski, son of Dr. and Mrs. Paloski of Canfield, Ohio.

Sharon is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University. She is currently employed as a project manager at Duke University.

Brian is a 2001 graduate of Ohio State University with a PhD and MD degrees. He is currently employed as an orthopedic surgery resident at Duke University Hospital.

A November 2, 2002 wedding is planned at Duke University in Durham, N.C.



BARTALUCCI-STEFFEN

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

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, the University of Michigan and Wayne State University. She is a school psychologist in the Wayne Westland school district.

Her fiancée is a graduate of Birmingham Seaholm High School and the University of Michigan. He is a first vice president at Smith Barney in Detroit.

A June wedding is planned at Kirk in the Hills in West Bloomfield.



ORLOFF-SIMON

Dan and Linda Orloff of Oregon, Wis. announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Marie Orloff, to Timothy Allen Simon, son of Jerry and Veronica Simon of Canton Township.

The bride-to-be plans to graduate from Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids this year and become a science teacher.

Her fiancée is a 1998 graduate of Cedarville University in Cedarville, Ohio with a criminal justice degree. He is currently employed as a detective for the Grand Rapids Police Department.

A June 15, 2002 wedding is planned in Verona, Wis.



WREN-TWINN

Frank and Jeanne Wren of Canton Township announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Ann Wren, to Bryan Oneil Twinn, son of Sheryl Twinn of Ferndale.

A spring, 2002 wedding is planned.



HUGHES-VLCKO

Charles and Carol Hughes of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Renee, of Redford, to Daniel Paul Vlcko, son of John and Susan Vlcko of Livonia.

Michelle is a 1995 graduate of Thurston High School. She is currently employed by Murray's on Plymouth Road as a human resource manager.

Daniel is a 1995 graduate of Thurston High School and a 2001 graduate of Madonna University with a degree in teaching.

The couple plan to wed May 31, 2002 in Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church.



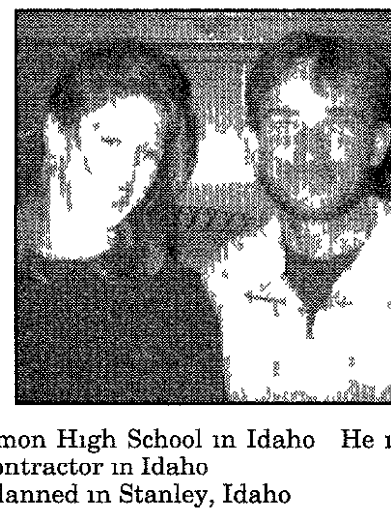
ANDERSEN-AUWEN

Dr. Marcia Andersen and Mr. and Mrs. John Andersen of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca M. Andersen of Idaho (formerly of Plymouth) to David E. Auwen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Auwen of Idaho.

Rebecca is a 1994 graduate from Plymouth-Salem High School and a Central Michigan University 1999 graduate with a bachelor's in fisheries and wildlife biology.

David is a 1992 graduate of Salmon High School in Idaho. He is currently employed as a building contractor in Idaho.

An August 24, 2002 wedding is planned in Stanley, Idaho.



Therapist

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Use this session as an opportunity to present your concern, ask about the therapist's experience with your type of problem, ask what treatment method he/she would consider.

Mental health is never complete. In reality it seems to be a relative experience that exists on a continuum. Before seeking a therapist, ask yourself what you want to accomplish. Discuss this in the exploratory consultation. Also, ask the therapist when you and he/she will know that you have accomplished your goals in working together. Usually the answer will lead you to know (and feel) that this is a good therapist for you to start with.

Resources

■ **The Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute** - in Farmington Hills maintains a referral list of very qualified mental health professionals (248) 851-3380

■ **The Michigan Association of Professional Psychologists** - is headquartered in Farmington Hills - and has a Web site at www.mipsychologist.org

■ **The Michigan Psychological Association** - also has a referral service with many of its members practicing in the Farmington/Farmington Hills and Livonia, (517) 347-1855

■ **Self help support groups** - are offered through Botsford Hospital. For a list of free of groups in our area call (877) 422-7900

Len McCulloch is a Diplomate of the American Psychotherapy Association and is Board Certified in Trauma. He holds additional National and Michigan certifications in brain injury, addictions and problem gambling. He is Director of Psychological Services at Broe Rehabilitation Services Inc. in Farmington Hills and can be reached at (248) 474-2763

Passion

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Jumping Frog of Calaveras County, in 1867 when he was 32 years old. One thousand copies were printed initially, a number that was considered ambitious in his day.

■ *A Tramp Abroad* is a work that stems from his time over seas.

Nelson considers *Huckleberry Finn* to be Twain's masterpiece, perhaps his finest, as well as his strongest commentary on race. It's Nelson's favorite book from a literary point of view.

In terms of the craft of the writing, his favorite is *Life on the Mississippi*. It expresses the beauty of Twain's profession and talks about his experiences as a pilot on the Mississippi River.

During his life, Twain tried a bit of everything. He was a riverboat pilot, a soldier in the Civil War, a newspaper writer, a businessman - as a printer and

publisher - and a lecturer.

All of this Nelson finds fascinating. He relates stories of Twain's wife Olivia, his many trips abroad (there is a tale that a letter mailed to him in Europe with only his picture on the front made it to him just fine), and his enjoyment of smoking cigars - especially the cheap ones.

"I love Twain, because he grabbed life in big armfuls," Nelson noted. He loves that Twain encompassed so much in his life, that his writing is so relevant, and has so much to say.

For the immediate future Nelson has no talks scheduled, but would welcome the opportunity. For now, he plans on staying involved in his church and choral group, the Plymouth Oratorio.

HIGLEY-MORRISON

Mr. and Mrs. Higley Jr. of Menominee, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, to Bryan Morrison, son of Bonnie Morrison of Livonia and Jay Morrison of Easley, S.C.

Sarah is a 1992 graduate of Menominee High School and a 1996 graduate of Alverno College. She received her Ed.M. degree in human development and psychology from Harvard University in 1997 and is currently completing a degree in clinical psychology at University of Hartford.

Bryan is a 1992 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of MSU. He received his master's degree in biomedical engineering from the University of Southern California in 2000 and is pursuing a doctorate degree in exercise science at Arizona State University.

The couple plan an August wedding in Paradise Valley, Ariz.



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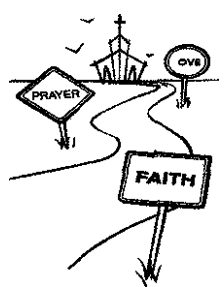
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Can You Read The Signs?

If we knew more about nature and the laws that govern it, we would be better at reading its signs. Weather forecasters are better at predicting the weather than they used to be because they have more information at their disposal and know more about how weather systems work. Likewise, if we knew more about psychology, we would be better at predicting people's behavior. There is a reason for everything that happens in the world, but with our finite intellects, we are often not aware of the reason. Occasionally, we will get glimpses of the unseen interconnectedness of things. For example, when we get the urge to call someone we have not thought about in a long time, we may wonder why this person all of a sudden came to mind. Sometimes it seems like God gives us reminders or hints by putting thoughts in our mind or by placing us in "providential" situations. We live in a world filled with signs, both natural and spiritual. The natural signs tell us what plants, animals and the weather will do, the spiritual signs tell us what God wants us to do. Therefore, we should always be receptive and attentive, especially to God's spiritual signs.

You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you cannot interpret the signs of the times
 RSV - Matthew 16:3



WEDDINGS

IZZO-LANE

Terry Izzo and Casey Lynn Lane were married Sept 15, 2001, in Covenant Community Church, Redford Township

The bride is the daughter of Glenn and Linda Armitage of Livonia. She is a 1996 graduate of Redford Union High School and is employed by Corrosion Fluid Products in Farmington Hills

The groom is the son of Eve Izzo of White Lake and the late Dominick Izzo. He is a 1991 graduate of Lakeland High School and is employed by LDMI, Detroit

Colleen Kennedy served as maid of honor. Lynn Burrill, Stephanie Burrill and Marie Izzo were bridesmaids

David Michaux was the best man. Attendants were Michael Izzo, James Izzo, Dominick Izzo and James Meldrum

The reception was held at the Italian American Banquet Facility in Livonia

The couple took a honeymoon cruise on the Majesty of the Sea to the Bahamas

They live in Waterford



ANDERSON-JARIETT

Mr and Mrs Marwood Jarrett of Jackson, announce the wedding of their daughter, Stacey Lynn Jarrett of Westland to Dennis Anderson of Westland. He is the son of Donald and Patricia Anderson of Livonia

The bride, Stacey Lynn, is a 1991 graduate of Redford Union High School. She is currently pursuing a teaching degree and is employed as a freelance publicist

The groom, Dennis, is a 1959 graduate of Livonia Franklin High School and a 1995 graduate of Schoolcraft College. He is currently employed as an account manager with Knight Enterprises in Novi

The couple were wed Sept 28, 2001, in Candlelight Chapel, Las Vegas, Nev., before the Rev. Darla Spain

The couple's friend, Heather Lewis, served as Maid of Honor. The groom's father, Donald Anderson, served as Best Man

A reception with family and friends was held, Saturday, Oct 20, at the Northville Eagles Hall

The couple plan to honeymoon to Central Lake, Mich. in April. They are residing in Westland



KAMMERAAD-MATTHEWS

Peter and Judith Kammeraad of Plymouth announce the marriage of their daughter, Kathryn Victoria to Carl Spencer Matthews, son of the late Frank Matthews and Dianne Matthews of Bloomfield Hills

The bride, Kathryn, is a 1997 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School, and a 2001 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's in English and Psychology. She is attending graduate school at UM for a teaching certificate in secondary English. She is employed as a research assistant for Women's Veteran Project, the nation's leading research group on the Gulf War Syndrome

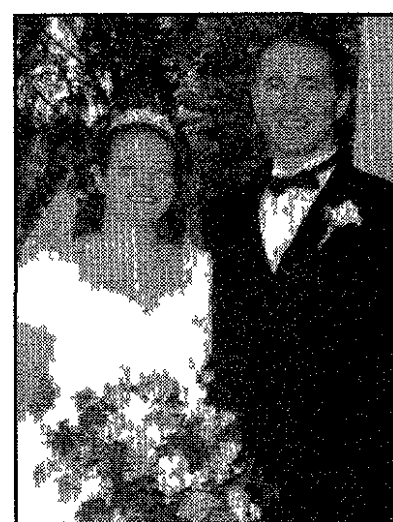
The groom, Carl, is a 1992 graduate of Groves High School in Birmingham, and a 1996 graduate of the University of Michigan with a bachelor's in archeology. He is employed as a custom design jeweler

The couple wed on Sept 29, 2001 at the First United Methodist Church in Plymouth

The bride was attended by Matron of Honor, Jennifer Kammeraad Malkiewicz, and bridesmaids Kymberly Strelecki and Kara Guminski, and bridal assistant, Adam Galea

Attendants for the groom were best man, Clayton Matthews, and groomsmen, William Matthews and Frank Matthews

A reception was held at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Novi. The newlyweds honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico



ANNIVERSARIES



LEE
Marilyn and Harlan Lee of Garden City recently celebrated their 50th anniversary

The couple wed Jan 12, 1952 at St. Gregory Church in Detroit. Harlan and Marilyn have lived in Garden City 47 years. They have five children, Arthur, Gary, (Lori), Terri (Bob), Harlan (Connie), and Julie, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild

Harlan worked for Ford Motor as a tool and die maker, retiring seven years ago. Marilyn is a homemaker. They enjoy their family cottage in Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Canada. Harlan has been an avid Harley Davidson rider since the 1940s. Marilyn enjoys her grandchildren

Their children gave them a surprise party on Jan 12 at Angelo Brothers Banquet Room. One hundred family and friends helped them celebrate the occasion

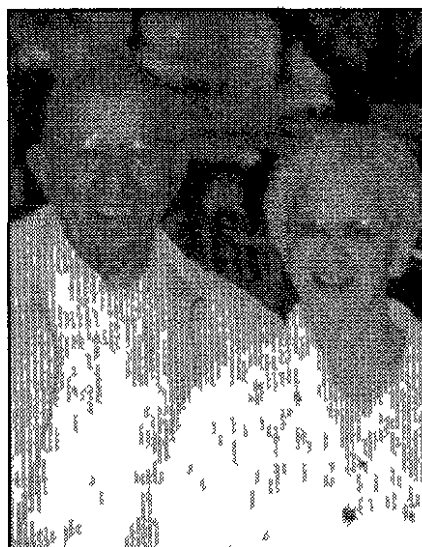
DUQUETTE

Robert and Jeanne Duquette of Livonia recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Bob and Jeanne were married Jan 26, 1952 in Dearborn. They lived in Detroit 35 years and Livonia 15 years

Bob is retired from Champion Spark Plug after 30 years of service and is now employed at St. John's Golf Course in Plymouth. Jeanne retired from Kowalski Sausage Co and CBS Fox and is now employed at Masano's Italian Restaurant in Novi

The couple have three children, Bob (Debbie) Duquette of Novi, Mark Duquette of O'Fallon, Mo. and Jeanne (Jim) Davis of Gaylord. The family also includes five grandsons, Jim, Chris, Bobby, Danny and Tommy

Bob and Jeanne enjoy visiting with their five grandsons



NEW VOICES

ANNA MICHELLE JANOWSKI

Gordon, Shari and Paige Janowski of Canton Township announce the birth of Anna Michelle Janowski on Jan 13 at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, weighing 9 pounds 10 ounces and measuring 22 inches long

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28 yr old divorced white female pretty looking for a man who is nice honest car good head on their shoulders who wants some time in life and someone to experience with I prefer a big husky man to be my teddy bear as a single white male BOX 13828

BIG BROWN EYES

am stunning classy smart fianca y secure 52 ea ly 40s slim and curvaceous non smoker upbeat honest Looking for mutual sporing I like tennis working out travel boat sunbath BOX 13445

TWO HEARTS AS ONE

African American female 57 135 lbs brown eyes and shoulder length black hair Seeking a single white male at least 61 who is intelligent respectful good morals and via uses good sense of humor BOX 12481

DEEPLY IN LOVE

Pette very spirtful mom 39 prett y with good sense of humor out going who enjoys dancing theater and nature Seeks 35-50 very outgoing tall active and positive gentleman who is successful respectful sensitive and with out pets to start a magical friendship p Oakland County BOX 13469

LET'S EAT LUNCH

Attractive white professional mom seeks professional divorced male 43 to 50 for casual relationship k reading h/kng golf music art fine dining travel Canton home owner BOX 13469

SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE

Pretty petite passionate divorced white female 40 seeks non smoker smoking single white male over 38 for dating and relating Lets create sparks and watch them fly! BOX 25332

FEMMININE GAL

53 yr old divorced white female 510 full figured smoke enjoys cats ba becomes reader of snng chld turn and yard sale empoyee Seeking single white male 40 to 60 to faller to sha e time with maybe a taller to sha BOX 13441

SINGLE AND LOOKING

41 yr old single white female 5'7 120 lbs brown eyes and shoulder length black hair Seeking a single white male 40 to 60 to faller to sha e time with maybe a taller to sha BOX 13441

MAKE TIME FOR ME

Single black female active shapey sensat onal smart confident non smoker social drinker 56 170 lbs no dependants Looking for a single black male 38 48 for fun friendship laughter BOX 13214

ARE YOU THE ONE?

Cassy attractive 50 sh 52 slim blond kind warm positive Likes travel fre side chats moves holdng hands Seeking single white male secure romantc honest gentleman BOX 13217

THAT PERFECT MATE

Lvon a Ch d en grown and gone I am 125 lbs brown blue emplyee Seeking single white male who's intelligent BOX 13263

WHY HESITATE?

65 yr old female 52 long dark hair non smoker non drinker likes non smokers drives dng out the Red Wings holding hands Looking for a quality white male monogamous reat onshp BOX 13303

ONLY LOVE CAN FILL

Single white female 43 a very a ge woman 58 400 lbs attractive dark hair and eyes tall skin and full lips I am warm friendly sweet fun Likes drives in my own car sation Looking for a man of any age or race with a good heart BOX 13343

I AM READY TO MEET

that specia guy who is looking for a spec a gal I am 55 135 lbs 50 s divo cd with female Seeking 6 plus white male 48 to 60 BOX 13354

ENHANCE MY LIFE

Single non 37 5'7 with short blond hair and green eyes Looking for a single white male 34 to 42 who's looking for a serious reat onshp Enjoys no se back iding nate a cuod nng working out cooking music and more BOX 27360

FIRST TIME AD

Single mother of one 28 125 lbs ntel gent enjoys outdoor activities Seeks non smoker honest respectful financially secure male with great sense of humor who loves children Chidren welcome BOX 96714

WAYNE COUNTY FEMALE

Sweet attractive 5'8 135 lbs slender never married 39 56 seeks a nice single white male 30 to 42 never married likes to laugh dine out dance and go for picnics BOX 12854

PARADISE WAITS

63 white widow female Auburn na 55 smoker soca orkna non drinker 40 63 with a good sense of humor coman onshp dng out travel Westland ea BOX 13003

2 EYES OF BLUE

Oh what I could do for you! Enjoy everythng n fe that's fun a man with a good sense of humor good teeth Blonde 58 ust call me Wayne County BOX 359 9

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN

Pette I'd love to see with the female seeks honest secure single white male 49-55 who likes to laugh and have fun for friendship possibl e onshp reat onshp Dea born area Wayne County BOX 35950

SEEKING HONEST MAN

29 educated single mother of two 510 seeking honest caring man 29-43 for friendship and possible onshp Wayne County BOX 35954

NEED A COMPANION

36 yr old single white mother 54 ave age 52e attractive friendly carng easy go nng compass onal consderate affect onate enjoys reading and watching tv Looking for a single white male 45 55 Down River ea with simla interests and attributes BOX 12882

SOMEONE LIKE YOU

49 yr o woman 55 a few ext a pounds seeks compan on and relationship ke fishing hot tubs bowling darts consdort es come set on BOX 13373

NEW BEGINNINGS

43 y o d divorced white otes s onal fema e 52 8 attractive seeks dvo cd ved we educated male dealy p to caly 10e al and nte nature musc books golf conversat on Canton area BOX 13164

POSSIBLE CONNECTION

An attractive bu nette 49 54 115 bs single white profess ona fema with great smile and good heart enjoys fam y and friends board Red Wings and you I height weight oportunate non smoker caring financially stable and emotionlly available Wayne County BOX 25214

BEAUTIFUL

Intell gent classy 45 50s evos travel boatng golf tennis walks on the beach and romantc d nners Search ng for male who is fun with simla interests BOX 13273

ROMANTIC FEMALE

Single beautiful black female 46 med buid enjoys dng out travel ng and moves Seeking male with a simlar interest race n important to dating and possibl e onshp Wayne County BOX 26981

CUTE AND CLASSY

40 s 54 slm degaed non smoking fun athletc adventu ous d divorced white p ofess onal female 50 m to med buid b g bua eyes Seeking Intell gent degreed slm non smoking gen tleman 42 to 52 for wate sports dng nng movies bike dng rollerblading travel ng and long term relationship Oak and county BOX 26995

NO GAMES

Single white female 27 in search of a single white male 29-39 franco ally emotionlly secure family or ented enjoys a wide variety of interests ke musc beng by the water reading for friend shp possibl e reat onshp Wayne County BOX 26997

IM YOUR LADY

Att active white dvo cd 45 52 138 lbs fema e brown blue enjoys walking swmmng mov es musc and dng out Seeking white male 50 m to med buid 56 non smoker occa onal drinker affectionate and sincere to a meanngful reat onshp n Garden Cty BOX 26999

COUNTRY GIRL

D divorced white lady non smoke non drinker likes no seaback rdng has own horses Enjoy camping walking boating fea markets old cars mov es Seeks gent man 57 to 65 with a simlar interest Monroe County BOX 27330

HEART OF GOLD

Pette white widow woman late 60s young in heart n mnd well groomed and well dressed Looking for a caring consderte gentleman for a long term fr and possibl e onshp benef cial to both of us BOX 32589

STILL ROMANTIC

Divorced white female 61 affect onate healthy active attractive and fun to be with seeks counter part to share the good life and possibl e long term relationship Macomb county BOX 35901

NO GAMES

D divorced white Christian cute female 55 brown hair and eyes the ghtive ght count onate enjoys a outdoor act vts dancing mov es dng Seeking carng consderte white male 45 55 with simlar interests Prefer non smoke Oakland County BOX 35936

THE HAPPIEST PLACE

On earth s the heart of ths fr endly white widowed fema e 63 seeks fr endshp n a ma e 50 to 70 non smoker Lets get together and see I we enjoy each othe s com pany Oakland County BOX 35991

A LADY OF CLASS

Vvaoos upbeat very attractive blonde fema e profess ona 57 115 lbs upoe 60s seeking sou mate count part 60s a profess onal for datng possibl e onshp reat onshp p Cal me and see what I fe has n sto e for us BOX 35996

FIRST TIME AD

Educated we traveled ovng profess onal single fema e 52 med buid non smoke En cyos consderte affect onate enjoy tmas and theater Seeking reafed gentleman 60 70 for fr endshp frst Oak and county BOX 35999

BEAUTIFUL

Beaut ful ntel gent classy lady 50s loves travel boating golf tennis walks on the beach omantc d nners Sea chng for male with simlar interests for ovng reat onshp Oakland County BOX 36027

IT'S A START

Do you enjoy sunsh ne golf t ave good food humor I overs com pan onshp? If you are active any age over 40 widowed single or divorced and looking for a stable onshp p I am the one Wdowed white fema e 55 non smoker ready to enjoy the age n BOX 36029

LET'S SEE A MOVIE

33 y o d single white fema e blonde hair blue eyes 58 non smoker who enjoys working out mov es and movies you single white male to spend time with Wayne county BOX 36099

LOVELY WIDOW

Lovely lady would ke to hear from a gentleman 67 to 70 white who ntes to go out to d nne shows dancing concerts or just likes to talk and get to know each other and much more BOX 2655

FIT THE BILLY

Slm att active slender at 55 ntel gent tall warm hearted and affe ct onate intelligent gentleman 55 to 69 and married n cozy d nng mov es you single white male to spend time with Oakland County BOX 27034

LOVELY BUT LONELY

Ta slender att active romantc lady seeks honest loyal omantc flexible gentleman that s 55 p us over 510 and fun to be with Lets start as friends frst Oakland County BOX 27034

PERKY CAT

Dvo cd white fema e 56 with a bit of extra luff working on oosng it enjoys walking by wate ho dng hands watch sunsets laugh ng together and respectng one another Seek a gent man 45 to 62 d cat your best make you day ev moves and more BOX 3129

SIMILAR INTERESTS?

41 y o d 57 white fema e enjoys go ng to the mov es or staying at home watchng tv and dng nng out Seeking a caring guy with sm la interests BOX 13216

SEEK REAL/CARING MAN

Attractive 44 y o d single white fema e 57 average buid very affect onate and easy go nng Enjoys the outdoo s dng out musc and more Seek single white male 45 to 60 who is mov es you single white male for a beautiful happily e ate reat onshp n games BOX 3236

LADY WITH PIZZAZ

Eccentc attractive s endly fun romantc cooks marriage minded and loves S Africand desires single Chrstan professional white male healthy degreed 510 plus 30 to 37 prefe ably s m Macomb County BOX 27028

LOVELY BUT LONELY

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MOTOWN GAL

Looking for a kind s noce a single or d divorced male 48 to 60 non smoker for long term monoga mous reat onshp I am a 49 yr old divorced fema e I love Motown musc and a case of cas I beve n romantc enjoy s rnc p tees ure Down River ea BOX 14771

SEEKS PERFECT MATE

Attractive 50+ w dow fun lovgng physcally t Seeks male des ng travel working out bicyclng golf and more Looking for a single white male 45 to 60 who is mov es you single white male for a beautiful happily e ate reat onshp n games BOX 3236

LET'S GET TOGETHER

You found the Ado able pette p ffe s gent man 46 60 full of life great sense of humor likes to have new expe ences you single white male to spend time with Oakland County BOX 25008

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR

Gvng lovgng compass onate curvy ote of fun g est consderte onal st 55 ookng for sincere successful Caucas an gentleman 45 late 70s to be my soul mate Frst Oakland County BOX 25322

QUALITY QUALITY

Seeking a sincere honest non games played non smoker g soca d nng single white male by a divorced white fema e 54 who kes to do almost everythng Looking for fr endshp compan onshp or somethng n West side Wayne County BOX 25333

PROFESSIONAL MOM

Single white Chrstan p affect onal fema e 46 124 bs attractive with a heart of gold great cook Enjoys quet time and movies Seeks well groomed white male 42 50 non smoker with Ch st an values Wayne County BOX 26532

CUTE AND CLASSY

ntell gent 45 50s brown eyed blonde passe onate about fe and laughng enjoys golf b kng the ator board and meat conversat ons nte ested in gael tall 50 to 58 franco ally emot onally stab e true gentleman with simlar interests Oakland county BOX 27010

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY

We taved educated lovgng white p ofess onal fema e Seeking a spoh st char est an man 62 to 72 who can also be down to earth interests are class cal musc art apprecat on world events and tave Comfortable on one and a social stoms Oakland County BOX 35911

GEMINI GIRL

Single white fema e 47 s endly blonde ha hazel eyes enjoys golf swimming boating people Looking for a single white male 42 to 58 franco ally emot onally stab e stable to datng possibl e long term reat onshp Wayne County BOX 35938

SEEKS SOULMATE

Dvo cd black fema e 39 brown hair and eyes Seeking a honest soulmate We are both honest head strong people who enjoy the same thngs such as bowling out door activities sports Jax and family oriented Wayne County BOX 35942

SONGS FROM THE HEART

Dvo cd white fema e 47 57 blonde vlv vvaos pass onate Chrstan church music an ntel gent who Chr stan male non smoker 510 o taller who s ntel gent artucate romantc and honest with a pass on for life Oakland County BOX 27014

JACQUELINE SMITH

I m to d often that I esemble her and Jack e Kennedy Bg hazel eyes Auburn hair great sm le very classy lookng 65 mother n g energy person Loves wate boatng fshng travelng Seeking non smoker gent emen 59 plus 48 to 58 with s m a interests Macomb County BOX 27021

NEW BEGINNINGS

Single white fema e 47 54 176 lbs never married 3 grown chl d an who enjoys carndng d n ners moves homebody seeking black male 49 to 52 for datng and possibl e reat onshp Wayne county BOX 27024

ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE

Outgo ng pette and ve n P smooth Looking for an attract ve non smoker single white male 48 to 58 who s trustworthy emotion ally franco ally secure with no dependants Someone with a jest to fe Wayne County BOX 27026

30 SOMETHING

Degaed single Chrstan black fema e 35 attractive with H spanc disccent cooks marriage minded and loves S Africand desires single Chrstan professional white male healthy degreed 510 plus 30 to 37 prefe ably s m Macomb County BOX 27028

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SEARCHING SOUL MATE

Single white fema e 38 250 lbs ookng for single white male 35 40 likes to read bookng and quiet evenings at home someone with the same interest Oakland County BOX 35944

SEEKING ITALIAN

Pette white fema e 51 128 lbs brown hair and eyes non smoker attractive talkative good things in life Looking for an attract ve well buid lady under 69 for possible permanent reat onshp Dearborn Wayne County BOX 35956

TIERED OF GAMES

Attractive divorced white fema e 51 54 ong red hair a smoker Seeking gentleman 40 to 65 with a sense of humor for dinner (home cooked) moves quality time and fun reat onshp Oakland County BOX 36013

A NEW BEGINNING

Divorced quality lady light hair blue eyes nice personality medi um buid very versatile enjoys all act vts conversat on travel consderte Seeking tall male 6 plus 60 plus for friendship compan onshp perhaps long term relat onshp Oakland County BOX 36017

FIRST TIME AD

Divorced white fema e 47 ookng for an honest trustworthy carng male 40 to 55 interests are playng cards cas nos famly dancing camping fshng and boating Possibl e reat onshp Oakland County BOX 36021

FOR CHUBBY CHASERS

Single black profess onal fema e full figured bright and active In search of a single male any race who s mature and affectionate for fr endshp Wayne County BOX 36023

ONE IN A MILLION

Nov very attractive white fema e 54 young looking 50 great shape seeks good looking 46 to 55 single white male with no dependants honest easygoing non smoker emotionlly/intellectually secure fr endshp/possibl e reat onshp BOX 36031

WILL CALL YOU BACK

Single white profess onal male 44 56 and 180 lbs honest fun lovgng and easy go nng Enjoy camping swimming long walks dng out mov es and more Seek a fema e age height and race unimportant casual to possibl e long term relationship BOX 13401

DOWN TO EARTH MAN

39 yr old 6 and 200 lb nce looking and down to earth male easy to get along with and loves animals a non smoker and a non drinker Seeks a special female with same qualities to enjoy life with BOX 13390

WILL CALL YOU BACK

SINGLES MINGLE

If you want to submit an item for the Singles Mingle calendar, fax it to our Farmington office (248) 477-9722 or Livonia office (734) 591-7279 or write Singles Mingle, Farmington Observer, 33411 Grand River, Farmington, MI 48335 The deadline an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Friday

SINGLE MINGLES

Single Mingle dances are held selected Fridays throughout the month For dates and locations, call the Metropolitan Single Professionals at (248) 851-9909

West Side Singles hold dances hold Friday night dances at Burton Manor in Livonia For dates and locations call (734) 981-0909

WEST SIDE DANCES

West Side Singles hold dances hold Friday night dances at Burton Manor in Livonia For dates and locations call (734) 981-0909

BOOK TALK

Borders Books in Farmington Hills hosts a book discussion group 7:30-8:30 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month Call (248) 851-9909

CARDS & DINNER

Join the Farmington Single Professionals for euchre, pinochle and dinner from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

every Monday at Crowley's Old Village Inn in downtown Farmington

AFTER WORK PARTIES

Metropolitan Single Professionals host "Fun and Fine Dining" 5:30-7:30 p.m. every Thursday at restaurants throughout the Detroit area To find out locations, call (248) 851-9909

SINGLES WALK

Singles from First Presbyterian Church in Northville walk through Heritage Park in Farmington Hills at 10 a.m. every Saturday

DIVORCE SUPPORT

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College sponsors a Divorce Support Group from 7-9 p.m. at the McDowell Center (room 225) Call (734) 462-4443 Group meets the second (discussion) and fourth (speaker) Tuesday of the month Upcoming schedule includes Group discussion, March 12, 26, April 9, April 23 New group for those divorced more than one year Meets from 7:30-9 p.m. across the hall from WRC, March 14, and April 11

WARD SINGLES

Single Point Ministries of Ward Presbyterian Church (30 years and older) meet at 11:30 a.m. every Sunday in Knox Hall, for fellowship and encouragement Ward is located at 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville Call (248) 374-5920 Other Ward Singles events Talk it over with Paul Clough, 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 8 Includes discussion and refreshments Lighthouse Cafe, 7-10 p.m. Friday, March 29 Cost is \$5 Hot dogs and other goodies available

Classic senior Singles Bible

Study meets 10 a.m. every Thursday Classic Senior Singles welcomes the Silver Strings Dulcimer Society from Garden City at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 12 LIGHTHOUSE CAFE Single Point Lighthouse Cafe (coffee house) will be held 7-10 p.m., the fourth Friday of every month at Knox Hall in Ward Presbyterian Church Free child care is available Call (248) 374-5920

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - FEBRUARY 26, 2002

The regularly scheduled closed session of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton for the purpose of employee negotiations was canceled A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, February 26, 2002, at 1150 South Canton Road Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Supervisor Yack recommended adding to the agenda under Consent Calendar No. 11 Consider Revised Sewer Ordinance 136A Second Reading and Consent Calendar No. 12 Board of Review Appointment

Motion by Bennett to approve the amended agenda seconded by LaJoy Motion carried by all members present

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the minutes of February 5, 2002 Motion carried by all members present

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the minutes of February 12, 2002 Motion carried by all members present

Motion by Kirchgatter supported by Burdzak to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried by all members present

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Table with 5 columns: Fund Name, Amount, Fund Name, Amount, Fund Name. Includes General Fund, Fire Fund, Police Fund, etc.

Supervisor Yack conducted the recognition of Reserve Officer Brien Witkowski for his service to the Canton community for 11 years and recognition of Reserve Officer Robert Ciborowski for his 7 years of service to the Canton community

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the resolutions recognizing Reserve Officer Brien Witkowski and Reserve Officer Robert Ciborowski Motion carried by all members present

Item 1. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to adopt a resolution in Recognition of Warriors of Westland Physically Disabled Sports Team Motion carried by all members present

Item 2. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to authorize the Treasurer's Department to enter into an agreement for collecting 2002 school taxes in July 2002 as follows 100% of Plymouth/Canton Van Buren and Wayne Westland at a charge of \$3.55 per tax bill Schoolcraft College is \$1.00 per tax bill Motion carried by all members present

Item 3. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to Motion carried by all members present

Item 4. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to appoint Laura Brewis Judith Glotfelty Doug Smith and Pam Swiderek for a one year term from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002 and to appoint Greg Greene Kelly Kelly Hans G. Neuroth, and Lynda Neuroth for a two year term from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2003 and to appoint Dennis Crimbohl Delphine Marshall and Glen Patton for a three year term from January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2004 Motion carried by all members present

Item 5. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to publish for second reading Canton Township Sewer Ordinance No. 135A Motion carried by all members present

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE - CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Municipal Sewer Use and Industrial Waste Pretreatment Ordinance for Users Discharging to Detroit Water and Sewer Department Sewage Treatment Plant

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 135A

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON 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 DEVICES 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 CANTON ORDAINS

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE.

111.400 ARTICLE I

111.401 Section 1. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

This section provides for the authority of the Detroit Water and Sewer Department to enforce provisions of this Ordinance.

111.402 Section 2. PURPOSE.

This section provides the purpose of the Ordinance

111.403 Section 3. AUTHORITY.

This section refers to the various federal and state sections codes and regulations supporting the authority of this Ordinance

111.404 Section 4. DEFINITIONS.

This section provides for the definitions of terms used in the Ordinance

111.405 Section 5. DISCHARGE PROHIBITIONS.

This section provides for limitations and prohibitions upon the discharge of pollutants, toxins, heavy metals and other effluents to the DWSD Treatment Plant

111.406 Section 6. FEES

This section provides for the establishment of fees

111.407 Section 7. WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITS.

This section provides for permits regulating the discharge of effluents to the treatment plant

111.408 Section 8. MONITORING FACILITIES.

This section provides for monitoring facilities

111.409 Section 9. INSPECTION, SAMPLING AND RECORD-KEEPING.

This section provides the inspection of the facilities of users of the system the sampling of effluents and record keeping of this activity

111.410 Section 10. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.

This section provides for the confidentiality of certain information obtained and used in the enforcement of the Ordinance and the operation of the system tributary to the treatment plant

111.411 Section 11. STATUTES, LAWS AND REGULATIONS

This section provides for and refers to the various statutes laws and regulations contained in the Ordinance

111.412 Section 12. ENFORCEMENT.

This section provides for the enforcement of the Ordinance

111.413 Section 13. RECONSIDERATION AND APPEAL.

This section provides for the appeal process in the enforcement of the Ordinance

SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

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 severed from the rest of the Ordinance

SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE

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

SECTION 6. PUBLICATION.

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

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office The Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton.mi.org

Item 6. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the following General Fund budget amendment for the purchase of two replacement computers for the Assessor's Office to run the Equalizer software This budget amendment increases the Assessor's Office budget from \$467,170 to \$475,170, and the General Fund budget from \$22,057,604 to \$22,065,604 Motion carried by all members present

Increase Revenues

Appropriation from Fund Balance #101 000 699 0000 \$8 000

Increase Appropriations

Capital Outlay-Equipment Assessor #101 209 977 0000 \$8 000

On order to run the Equalizer software the computers on the Assessor's Office public counter need to be upgraded/replaced Funds were not budgeted because the need had not been determined at the time the 2002 budget was prepared New computers with flat screen monitors will cost approximately \$2,000.00 each

Item 7. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to appoint Mr Greg Demopoulos to the Canton Planning Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2002 Motion carried by all members present

Item 8. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the following budget amendment in the Community Improvement Fund to appropriate funding for contractual architectural services for the Performing Arts Center Motion carried by all members present

Increase Revenues

Appropriations from Fund Balance \$246 000 699 0000 \$257 145

Increase Appropriations

Contracted Services Performed Arts Ctr \$246 760 818 0000 \$245 145

Item 9. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to endorse Senate Bill 397 which would recognize the mastodon as the State's Fossil The Board recognizes resident Dave Thomas who has been the motivation behind this effort and supported by Senator Thaddeus McCotter and Representative Bruce Patterson Motion carried by all members present

Item 10. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to authorize the submitted blanket purchase order list for Leisure Services Department for 2002 Motion carried by all members present

Item 11. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to publish for second reading Canton Township Sewer Ordinance No. 136A Motion carried by all members present

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE - CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Municipal Sewer Use and Industrial Waste Pretreatment Ordinance For Users Discharging to Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority System

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 136A

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON 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 DEVICES; 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 CANTON ORDAINS

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE.

111.710 - ARTICLE I - APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE This Article shall apply to all nondomestic users that discharge to the Ypsilanti Community Utilities Authority (YCUA) publicly owned treatment works

111.720 - ARTICLE II - DEFINITIONS This Article provides for definitions of the terms used in the Ordinance

111.730 - ARTICLE III - ABBREVIATIONS - This Article provides for abbreviations for terms used in the Ordinance

111.740 - ARTICLE IV (RESERVED) This Article is reserved for future use

111.750 - ARTICLE V (RESERVED) This Article is reserved for future use

111.760 - ARTICLE VI - PROTECTION FROM DAMAGE This Article provides for the protection of the publicly owned treatment works (POTW) from harmful effluent and excessive levels of pollutants, toxins, heavy metals and other regulated materials

111.770 - ARTICLE VII - ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT This Article provides for permits, information required the reporting requirements, the powers of the YCUA sampling and monitoring facilities the right to access of the facilities for inspection sampling records examination records copying or other duties the requirement of compliance with Article provisions the confidentiality of information enforcement by the Township records, powers and authority of inspectors surcharges and fees, process, penalty and funding

111.800 - ARTICLE VIII - BUILDING SEWERS AND CONNECTIONS This Article provides for the need for permits, application fees costs that are to be born by the owner requirements of separate sewers for separate buildings, construction specifications prohibited connections specifications inspections, supervision of connections and guards for excavations

111.820 - ARTICLE IX - USE OF PUBLIC SEWERS This Article provides for prohibited discharges, standards public concentrations of pollutants and mercury reduction, sampling measurements, tests and analysis, surcharges for discharges of unusual strength special agreement authorization dilution of discharge and accidental discharge determination of sewage flow disposal at the sewage treatment plant reports of violation and notification of authorities upon discharge of hazardous waste

111.840 - ARTICLE X - PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL This Article provides for private sewage disposal under certain conditions permits required inspections required, specifications connection with public sewers and sanitary maintenance requirements

SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. 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

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SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law

Roll Call Ayes Bennett Burdzak Kirchgatter, LaJoy Shefferly Yack Nays None Absent McLaughlin Dated February 26, 2002

Terry G Bennett Clerk

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Item 12. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to appoint Nick Kulka, Jr to the Canton Tax Board of Review for a term to expire March 1, 2004 Motion carried by all members present

General Calendar

Item 1. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request of the project sponsor, Mr Doug Smith to grant final approval of the Links at Fellows Creek Planned Development District and site plan, based upon recommendations made by staff and the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof Motion carried by all members present

Item 2. Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request of the petitioner Mr Khanh Pham, to approve the site plan for the proposed Wyndchase I Townhomes, Phase II subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof Motion carried by all members present

Item 3. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve a budget of \$15,000.00 for Marc Dutton Irrigation, Inc to provide irrigation system repairs and modifications for Victory Park infrastructure work The budget is to be taken from account No 246 750 970 0000 Motion carried by all members present

Item 4. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to support the request of Mr Richard Lewiston that the Wayne County Department of Public Services revise their Right of Way Master Plan to change the status of Proctor Road, between Ridge and Denton Roads, from throughfare (120 foot right of way) to collector status (86 foot right of way) Motion carried by all members present

Item 5. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the purchase of seven Eagle Dual Antenna Radar Units from Kustom Signals Inc through Michigan State Bid Number 680 7712 for a cost of \$9,023 Motion carried by all members present

Item 6. Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to finance the maintenance of (5) five fiber optic changeable message signage on Beck and Cherry Hill for Dodson School Motion carried by all members present

Item 7. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to waive the bid and award the lease of equipment for Pheasant Run Golf Club to W F Miller Co with expenses charged to Pheasant Run Golf Club account #211 756 983 0000 capital equipment and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the lease on behalf of the Township Motion carried by all members present

Item 8. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to award the 2002 GMC 4x4, Dual Rear Wheel 4 Door Crew Cab Pickup to Red Holman GMC/Pontiac through the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing program for \$28,897 and to waive the normal bidding procedures Motion carried by all members present

Item 9. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzak to authorize the purchase of the new Victory Park Electronic Entrance Sign to Huron Sign Company in the amount of \$46,499 with a 10% contingency in the amount of \$4,649 with the expense charged to account #246 750 970 0000 Motion carried by all members present

Item 10. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award a contract to Seiber, Keast & Associates, Inc for as built surveying and easement documentation preparation for Pheasant Run Golf Course 9 Hole Expansion golf cart construction The costs are not to exceed \$9,000 from account #469 900-971 2110 Motion carried by all members present

Item 11. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the bid of \$8,379 for point of sale and tee time software to Jenness Software & Technologies Inc With the funds being charged to Pheasant Run Golf Club account #211 756 977 0000 Motion carried by all members present

Item 12. Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve purchase of a 2002 GMC Savana passenger van that meets the specifications of the Canton Community Television Division utilizing the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement for a cost of \$16,465 Motion carried by all members present

Item 13. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the bid for printing the monthly Focus Newsletter with National Wholesale Printing Corp for an eleven month period, for \$16,500 with a ten percent contingency of \$1,650 for a total price of \$18,150, and further that pursuant to the bid specifications, the bid may be extended beyond the eleven month period upon mutual agreement of National Wholesale Printing Corp and the Township Motion carried by all members present

Item 14. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of the Xerox Document Centre 490 Digital System at a cost of \$37,155 and a 10 month maintenance contract at a cost of \$7,370 for a total cost of \$44,525 Motion carried by all members present

Item 15. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of the Ricoh Aficio 1027 copier with fax option at a cost of \$5,557 and further move to approve the following General Fund budget amendment to appropriate funds for this purchase Motion carried by all members present

Increase Revenues.

Appropriations from Fund Balance #101 000 699 0000 \$5 557

Increase Appropriations.

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Amount. Includes Maintenance & Repair Equipment, Capital Outlay Administrative Serv, etc.

Item 16. Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to award the bid for the Charter Township of Canton's legal publications to the Observer and Eccentric Newspaper at & 80 per column inch and classified advertisement will be \$39.43/ \$44.32 per column inch and designate the Canton Observer as the legal newspaper of The Charter Township of Canton The contract will run from March 1, 2002 to February 28, 2004 Motion carried by all members present

Additional Comments: Treasurer Kirchgatter reminded the taxpayers of Canton Township their assessment notices should be received by next week and stressed that it is very important to review that notice when it comes to make sure that all the information is accurate because that assessment determines the tax bill

Supervisor Yack noted that there will be a study session next Tuesday March 5, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. Attorney Tim Cronin will attend the study session to discuss two issues (1) The Electric Ordinance and (2) Brownfields Authority There may also be a few other items added by next week

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried by all members present

Publish March 7, 2002

Three easy ways to pay

I thought I had planned the perfect little get away

My husband and I, alone without children Grandma taking the reigns of the household for our lovely little weekend, just ourselves I found a darling little Bed and Breakfast in a scenic little town A town known for its sweet little shops, crafty little stores, a town to wander and relax, shopping with three easy methods of payment Cash, check or charge

There was a little winery just a car trip away, a darling little tea room to eat lunch, a romantic Italian restaurant within walking distance of the sweet little bed and breakfast I had done my homework

My husband, eager to have a moment to share a thought between the two of us, was being a good sport with it all The trip to the winery was lovely The Italian restaurant smelled of warm garlic and fresh tomato The service impeccable, we had a warm glow of couplehood and matrimonial bliss

I knew I was good to go for the next day's activity Shopping!

I dragged my husband out early, my three easy methods of payment tucked neatly in my purse My husband seemed in good spirits, it was another beautiful day The tiny little gift shops beckoned each one in a row, each more inviting than the other I glanced back he was chattering happily, his stride vigorous

The first gift shop was bright with tiny little lights, warm with the sweet smell of candles Filled

I am currently planning our next little get away. It will involve a sweet little bed and breakfast, a romantic little Japanese restaurant. And a cute little mall, somewhere in America.

with trinkets and treasures, I heaved a sigh

My heart was full Life could never be this good

My husband began to trail silently behind me His gait slowing, his eyes began to dull I paid him no mind as I filled my adorable little shopping basket full of cute little candles, tiny wooden houses, sweet little knickknacks A present here, a souvenir there

We traveled from store to store I didn't notice my husband beginning to pale, his lips turning blue His air began to travel slower, his eyes now dull

Disgusted, I turned to him "What could be your problem?"

I was having the time of my life

"It's poisoning!" He gasped

"Food poisoning?" I was making a mental checklist of all he had ingested from the day before

"No," he heaved "Paraffin poisoning I beg of you, no more little gift shops!"

I wandered through a couple more, just to prove my point He sighed, he wheezed, he whined When it was all done, when I had my fill of sweet little trinkets, and cute little treasures, we headed back to the darling little bed and breakfast As we walked, he breathing returned to normal, the color came back to his cheeks, his gait once again duckened

He just didn't know how to have a good time

When grandma came for the next parental get away, it was my husband's turn to plan

I was pleased with his choices A cute little bed and breakfast, a romantic little French restaurant, a day trip to a lovely little museum

He had done his homework My husband was good to go for the next day's activity

I chattered happily as we drove to our destination My eyes were bright and I was happy for the time we had alone

I could smell the brewery from miles away As we traveled closer, the sweet smell of hops and yeast and suds, the strange aroma of large horses began to choke me I crinkled up my nose and followed the tour silently

My husband, grinning from ear to ear, holding up progress, asking questions of the bubbly college aged beer drinking tour guide He was having the time of his life

But the warm sick smell was taking me over I felt woozy, dizzy and eager to find fresh air

Disgusted, my husband turned to me, "What could be your problem?"

"Hops poisoning," I gasped

My husband is a gentle kind man, but at that moment a look of pure evil passed over his face

Fresh air, Diet Pepsi and twenty-three pretzels helped revive me, as my husband sipped his free samples of beer with a euphoric grin pasted on his face It was his belief that I had learned my lesson

I am currently planning our next little get away It will involve a sweet little bed and breakfast, a romantic little Japanese restaurant

And a cute little mall, somewhere in America



Getting in the spirit: Donning their cowboy hats for Saturday's "Denim and Diamonds" party were Patrick and Mary Cotter of Plymouth, state Rep John Stewart of Plymouth and Joan Connor of Plymouth.



Auctioneers: Above, Moncia Keith of Bloomfield Hills, Chuck and Lynn Vanerian of Plymouth and Nancy Pilon of Plymouth were among some 350 guests at Saturday's Plymouth Community Arts Council auction and dinner in St. John's Golf and Conference Center Dolores Kawa, left, of Canton Township examines merchandise on the silent auction tables before placing a bid



Gala

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were the successful bidders on a Toronto vacation and theater package for four

A 50-50 raffle saw cash prizes of \$400 and \$200 awarded to Mike and Sandy Stephan of Plymouth and Tim Bruch of Canton, respectively The Stephans donated their winnings back to the art council Sandy Stephan served as co-chair of the event

Guests enjoyed hors d'oeuvres and beverages and the music of the Raisin Pickers as they placed bids on items for the silent auction

What's on tap for next year?

"Something exciting, innovative and surprising," promised Greene Stay tuned

Golfers needed to tee off at annual Angela Hospice outing

Check off Monday, May 13 on your calendar as the day to tee off at the Angela Hospice Golf Outing at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon

Proceeds from the 14th annual event will benefit programs at the hospice

"Spots for golfers are available Golfers may bring their own team or register to be placed on a team," said Jennifer Trussler, events specialist "We also appreciate those who support us

via hole sponsorships or by participating in the live auction and raffle"

A special feature of this year's golf outing will be the debut of the "Fortune \$5,000" raffle Only 200 tickets will be sold, each for \$100 and offering chances to win 10 cash prizes ranging from \$250-\$5,000

Prices for the outing will remain the same as last year, with Golfer Packages for \$200, Business Partner Packages for

\$600, and Corporate Packages for \$1,000

The day will swing into action with a noon shot-gun start Participants will enjoy free-range balls before golf, 18 holes of golf with cart, lunch, beverage stations on the course, a golfer gift pack, and dinner with open bar

For more information, raffle tickets, or to charge your registration, contact Jennifer Trussler at Angela Hospice at (734) 464-7810



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Get a wrestler with 100 varsity career victories and that's something special. Get four of them in one season and that is truly extraordinary.

The four senior captains for Plymouth Canton's wrestling team did just that. All four will complete their prep careers with more than 100 career wins at the varsity level.

One of them, 215-pounder Phil Rothwell, could still be adding to his total. Rothwell has posted a 43-1 match record this season, his only loss coming in the individual state regional final. He'll be wrestling this weekend at the state finals at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Rothwell has always sought an early exit to a match — in other words, to pin his opponent. That's why he holds nearly every school record for falls (sophomore total, junior total, senior total, overall total), he also holds the single-season win mark for seniors (43), and has 125 career victories. Rothwell is a two-time Observerland, state district state regional and Western Lakes Activities Association champion.

To say Doy Demisick has wrestling in his blood may be the best way to describe him. His father, John, is Canton's coach and his three brothers have all wrestled. Demisick holds most of Canton's individual wrestling records, including most career wins (132), most takedowns as a sophomore, junior and senior, and most wins in and out of the prep season (217). A two-time state district and state regional champ. Slowed as a senior by a separated rib injury, Demisick was unable to match last year's accomplishment, when he reached the state's Final Four.

Greg Musser posted 120 career wins before an elbow injury cut short his senior season. Match wins earlier this season at 145 over last year's state champ and fourth-place finisher boosted Musser's hopes for a good showing at state, but his injury kept him from realizing it. Musser holds the sophomore win record and shares the freshmen win record with Demisick, and he owns an Observerland and conference title.

A state regional qualifier at 140, Chris Hoseney started his career as a part-time wrestler as a freshman, eventually moving up to full-time. He totaled 105 career victories, finishing second on the team in wins this season with 35. Hoseney was also second this season in takedowns and third in falls.

Soccer signee

Cindy Bennett, a senior keeper for the Belleville HS girls soccer team from Canton, has signed a national letter of intent to play soccer and attend the University of Stony Brook, located in Stony Brook, N.Y.

In addition to being a standout keeper, Bennett is a 4.0 student and a member of the National Honor Society. She's been a member of the Michigan Olympic Development Team for three years and a Region II Olympic Development player the past two years. Her team captured the Region II title and will advance to the ODP National Championships, which start today in Dallas.

Gymnasts sparkle

Several local gymnasts helped the Splitz Gymnastics teams secure solid finishes at the Arnold Challenge in Columbus, Ohio.

Splitz, located in Canton, placed second in Level 5 with a 109.375 score. Kahl Pierce, an 8-year-old from Canton, finished first in vault (8.9), eighth on uneven parallel bars, first on balance beam (9.4), third on floor exercise and first all-around (35.575).

Megan Valentini, 9, from Canton, recovered from a sixth on vault to finish third on bars (9.1), first on balance beam (9.3), first on floor exercise (9.45) and first in the all-around (36.40).

Also in Level 5, Taylor Standish, 9, from Plymouth, was first on vault (9.2), sixth on bars, third on beam (9.15), seventh on floor and third all-around (35.95). And Lindsey Russell, 8, from Canton, was second on vault, fourth on bars, fifth on floor and fifth in the all-around.

In Level 6, Lindsay Bridges, 9, from Canton, was first on vault (8.95), second on bars (9.025), first on beam (9.275), first on floor (9.525) and first in the all-around (36.775). And in Level 7, Katerina Karotis, 11, from Canton, was third on bars (9.25), fourth on floor, ninth on beam and sixth all-around (36.325).

Ocelots advance to Region 12 final

Schoolcraft College is just two wins away from its second straight trip to the National Junior College Athletic Association Division I men's basketball tournament in Hutchinson, Kan.

On Wednesday, the Ocelots beat Lansing CC for the second time in four days with a 113-73 Region 12 semifinal victory at Cincinnati State as guard Javon Clark led the way with 22 points.

Schoolcraft, 30-0 overall and ranked No. 1, faces Vincennes (Ind.), 21-10 overall, at 7 tonight for the title in Cincinnati. The Ocelots beat Vincennes last year, 87-64.

"Vincennes has one of the top front lines in the country," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said. "They're very strong inside, very physical."

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Mike Williams contributed 17 points and 12 rebounds for the Ocelots, who led 66-27 at halftime. North Farmington's Emir Medunjanin added 15 points.

Lansing's Da'Valle Hoskins scored a game-high 23 points.

"Our kids came out really intense and really focused," Briggs said. "That got our offense going. We played well together."

On Saturday, Schoolcraft outscored the Stars 58-42 in the second half to earn its third Michigan Commu-

nity College Athletic Association championship in four years, 104-86 in Bartle Rhoades Gym in Muskegon.

"For us to win back-to-back championships with everyone gunning for us is something to be proud of," Briggs said.

Clark led the way with 30 points, including 7 of 14 from three-point range while making all seven free throws. Westland John Glenn's Yaku Moton-Spruill added 28 points on 13 of 17 shooting from the floor in just 23 minutes of action to go along with eight rebounds.

Williams nearly had a triple double with 22 points.

Please see **COLLEGE, D5**

Comeback falls short

Salem rallies, but late basket lifts Stevenson

BY C.J. RISAK
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Livonia Stevenson had just enough left in the tank, and that was about a drop more than Plymouth Salem.

In a state district semifinal Wednesday that had more momentum swings than the Dow Jones, Stevenson's Matt Bartnick rose to the occasion when needed most. The senior captain drained a pair of three pointers in a 20-second span of the fourth quarter to regain the lead for the host Spartans, then dribbled the length of the court in the closing seconds and dished the ball to Brandon Chitwood for the game-winning basket in a 52-50 Stevenson victory.

The Spartans, 14-8 overall, now meet Novi, which defeated Northville in Wednesday's first semifinal, for the district championship at 7 p.m. Friday at Stevenson. Salem finishes its season at 13-8.

Bartnick's final mad dash-and-pass to Chitwood for the game-winning bucket — Chitwood's only points of the game — started with nine seconds left and ended with 0.2 on the clock. After a few timeouts by both teams, Salem managed to inbound the ball to Dave Hoskins 25 feet from the basket, but his final shot missed.

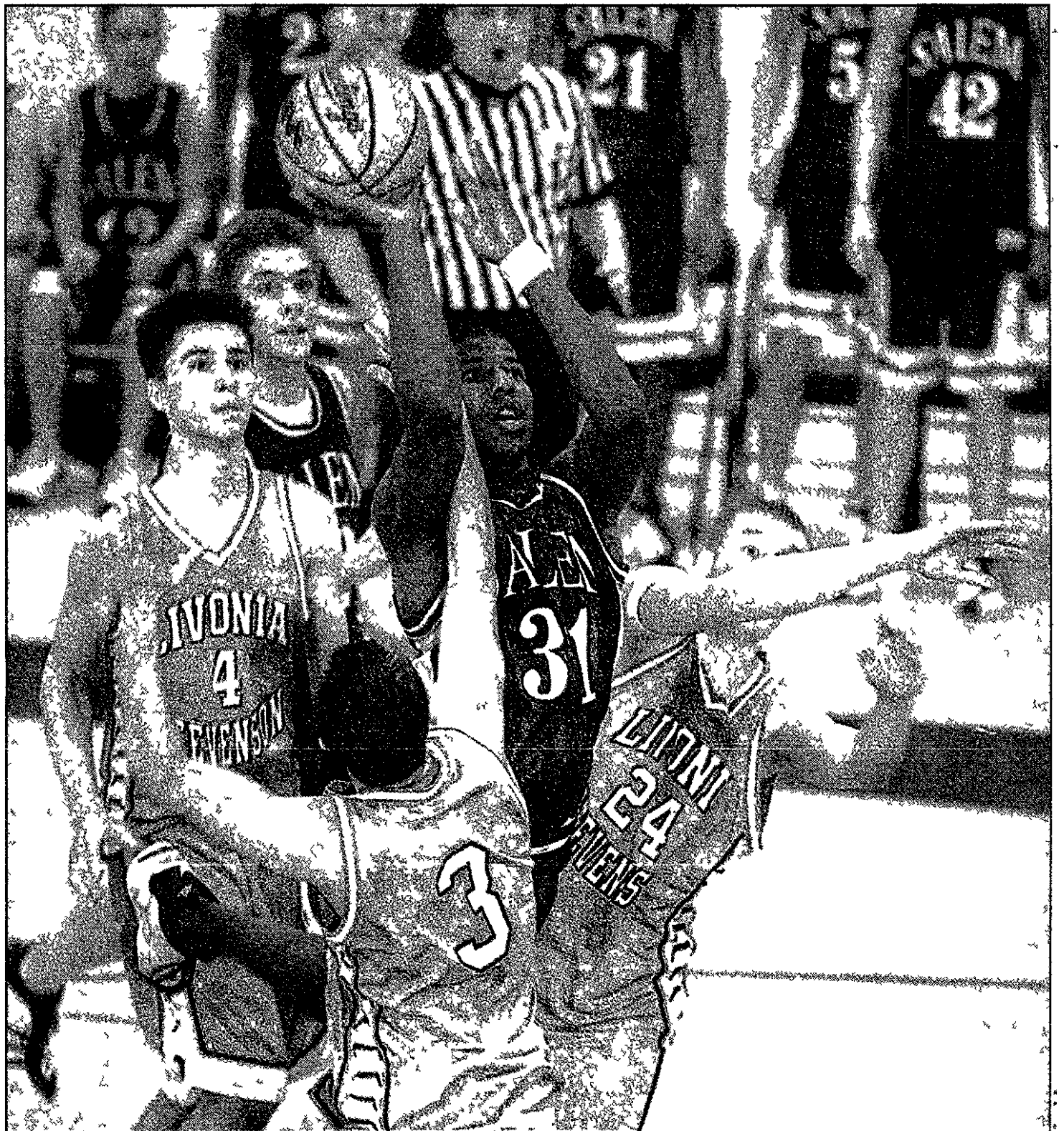
A few moments earlier, Hoskins had knotted the game with two clutch free throws with 0.9 left. Bartnick's court-length dribble and dish followed, something Salem coach Bob Brodie never wanted to see but could find little fault with his team's handling of it.

"That kid's tough to stop," the Salem coach said of Bartnick. "And we got to him, but he dished it off. It wasn't that, anyway, it was those two threes he made from NBA range."

Those came just when it seemed Salem had taken command — which, in itself, seemed completely improbable at halftime. The Rocks looked befuddled in the first half against a strong Stevenson defense that limited them to three baskets and 12 points. The Spartans had a 28-12 halftime advantage.

"That first half was as good a defensive effort as I've seen us play," said Stevenson coach Bill Dyer. "I thought that lead at the half might be enough to get us through, but (Salem's) too good."

Brodie wasn't especially pleased with his team at the break, letting them wait a few agonizing minutes before he "went after 'em. I told 'em, 'If you lose, that's one thing. If you lose and you don't play hard, that's something you'll



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Earning it: Salem's Dave Hoskins (31) found plenty of company when he ventured into the lane, his team trailing by two in the closing seconds. Hoskins was fouled, but he made both free throws to tie the game.

have to live with the rest of your lives. I challenged them and they met the challenge. I can't ask for more than that."

It was evident in the early moments of the second half it would be a much different Salem team on the floor. Consecutive steals led to consecutive bas-

kets by Pat Abraham, after that, Hoskins — held scoreless in the first

Please see **SALEM HOOP, D6**

3rd time is no charm: Spartans stop Canton

BY RICHARD L. SHOOK
SPECIAL WRITER

Bill Dyer and his Livonia Stevenson basketball players were determined their state basketball tournament district game with Plymouth Canton wasn't going to be like the two they had played earlier this season.

Although the Spartans had taken both, the outcome wasn't assured until the final 90 seconds.

"In both games," Dyer said, "we were up at halftime but they fought back in the second half. Neither was decided until the last minute and a half."

"We got a little bigger cushion this time." Stevenson (13-8) broke from a 14-12 lead with 5:40 left in the half to a 32-17 margin at the intermission Monday night and cruised to a 58-47 victory over Canton (10-11) in the first round of the Class A tournament on the Spartans' home court.

"They played an outstanding game," Canton coach Jeremy Rheault said. "They got the loose balls, they executed extremely well and they

DISTRICT HOOPS

■ **'We got a big lift out of Nick Ehlerdt. He played an outstanding game. When it was touch and go, he seemed to make a lot of big plays in a row.'**

Bill Dyer
Livonia Stevenson coach

finished at the basket. And they defended us really well."

Canton didn't show an inside game and when the Chiefs were able to get the ball inside they were denied by the Stevenson defense.

"We played a little better," Dyer said. "In practice, we stopped things and told everybody where we thought they should be on the floor at all times. You hold a team to 26 points over

Please see **CANTON, D2**

Whalers win 1, lose 2 on trip

Tough road trip, with three games in four days. It would have been much more tolerable for the Plymouth Whalers if they had come up with a couple of more goals.

OHL HOCKEY

That's what happens when all three games finish with 3-2 scores, and your team is on the short end of two of them.

Although goalie Jason Bacashihua — named Ontario Hockey League co-player of the week the week before — ended up with a 1-2 record, he faced 102 shots in the three games and stopped 94 of them.

In their losses at Peterborough and Ottawa, the Whalers allowed their opponents to take the early lead and hold on to it.

Last Thursday at Peterborough, the Petes' James Edgar and Adam Elzinga scored in the first period and the Whalers never caught up. Chad LaRose's second-period goal from Stephen Weiss and Kris Vernarsky narrowed the gap to 2-1, but the Petes responded with a goal by

Please see **WHALERS, D6**

WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL DISTRICT TOURNAMENT DRAWS

CLASS A
at LIVONIA STEVENSON
Friday, March 8 Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 5:30 p.m. Wednesday March 13 at Northville vs University of Detroit Jesuit district champion)

at ROMULUS
Friday March 8 Championship final 8 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 7 p.m. Wednesday March 13 at Ypsilanti Lincoln vs Temperance Bedford district champion)

at REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL
Friday March 8 Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 8 p.m. Wednesday March 13 at Dearborn vs Detroit Mackenzie district champion)

at WEST BLOOMFIELD
Friday March 8 Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 7 p.m. Tuesday March 12 at Northville vs Southfield Lathrup district champion)

CLASS B
at DEARBORN DIVI'E CHILD
Thursday March 7 Detroit Crockett vs EF winner 6 p.m. AB winner vs C-D winner 8 p.m.
Saturday, March 9 Championship final 6 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 7 p.m. Tuesday March 12 at Tecumseh vs Gibraltar Carlson district champion)

CLASS C
at LIVONIA CLARENCEVILLE
Friday March 8 Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 7 p.m. Wednesday March 13 at Macomb Dakota vs Memphis district champion)

at DUNDEE
Thursday, March 7 Romulus Summit Academy vs AB winner 7 p.m.
Saturday, March 9 Championship final 7 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semi-finals 7 p.m. Tuesday March 12 at Macomb Dakota vs Detroit Communication & Media Arts district champion)

CLASS D
at NOVI FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN
Thursday, March 7 Plymouth Christian Academy vs AB winner 5:30 p.m. Canton Agape Christian vs C-D winner 7 p.m.
Friday March 8 Championship final 7:30 p.m. (Winner advances to the regional semifinals 7 p.m. Tuesday March 12 at Riverview vs Allen Park Inter City Baptist district champion)

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL REGIONAL PAIRINGS

CLASS A
(Thursday, March 7) at TROY ATHENS
Semifinals Walled Lake Central vs Farmington Hills Mercy 5 p.m. Troy Athens vs Birmingham Marian 6:30 p.m.
Championship final 8 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals Tuesday March 12 at West Bloomfield vs Fraser regional champion)

(Saturday, March 9) at LIVONIA LADYWOOD
Semifinals Plymouth Salem vs Adrian 10 a.m. Livonia Ladywood vs Belleville 10 a.m.
Championship final Noon (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals Tuesday March 12 at Ann Arbor Huron vs Wyandotte Roosevelt regional champion)

CLASS D
(Saturday March 9) at LIVONIA LADYWOOD
Semifinals Detroit Urban Lutheran district champion vs Canton Agape Christian 3 p.m. Taylor Baptist Park district champion vs Dearborn St. Alphonsus 3 p.m.
Championship final 5 p.m. (Winner advances to the state quarterfinals Tuesday March 12 at Ann Arbor Huron vs Fulton Middleton regional champion)

MICHIGAN METRO GIRLS H S ICE HOCKEY LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYOFFS
at ARCTIC EDGE (Canton)
Friday, March 8 1-8 winner vs 4-5 winner 5:30 p.m. 3-6 winner vs 2-7 winner 7 p.m.
Saturday, March 9 Championship 7 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Thursday March 6
NJCAA Region 12 championship at Cincinnati St 7:30 p.m.
ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday, March 8
Whalers at Sarnia 7:30 p.m.
Saturday March 9
Whalers vs London
at Compuware Arena 7:30 p.m.
Sunday March 10
Whalers vs Sault Ste Marie at Compuware Arena 2 p.m.

Salem takes 2nd at regional

BY C.J. RISAK
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As expected, Northville/Novi — the defending state champion — emerged with the highest overall team score at last Saturday's state gymnastics regional, hosted by Plymouth Canton HS.

And Plymouth Salem came up a strong second, making its bid for a top-five finish at Friday's state team finals in Rockford.

Northville/Novi scored a 147.30 to finish comfortably ahead of Salem, which had a 144.475. In third and also qualifying for the state team finals was Livonia Unified with 140.375.

Ann Arbor Huron was fourth (138.65) and host Canton fifth (135.90). See statistical summary.

"We qualified four girls," said Canton coach John Cunningham, referring to Saturday's individual state finals at Rockford. "I thought this might be the year I didn't have any qualify."

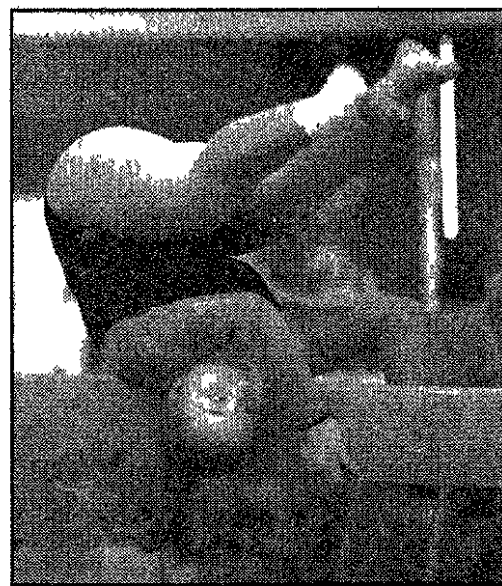
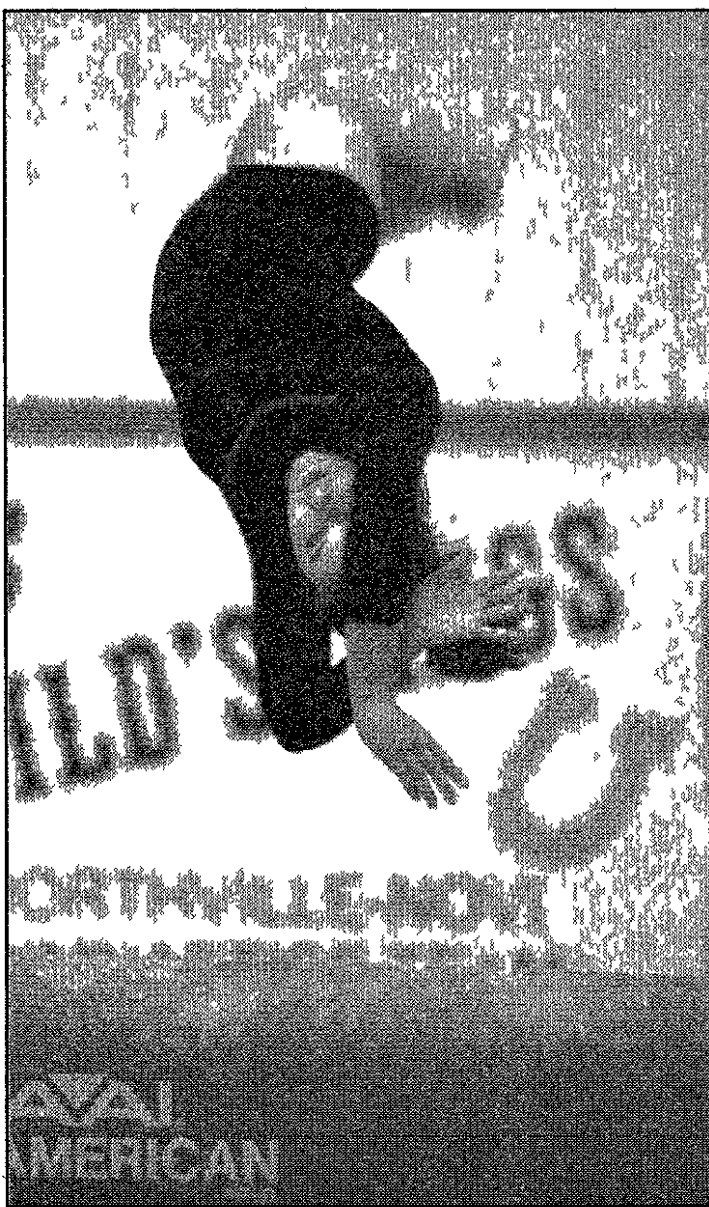
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John Cunningham
Canton coach

No fears there, for either Canton or Salem in Division I competition, Salem's Bethany Bartlett placed third in the all-around (37.3), just off the pace set by Northville/Novi's Jennifer Sturgis (37.8). Sturgis finished first in the vault (9.5), uneven parallel bars (9.55) and balance beam (9.65), Bartlett was the model of consistency, placing second in floor (9.4), third in vault (9.15) and bars (9.4), and fourth in beam (9.35).

Canton's Jessi Bates (34.1) and Brigid Fitzgerald (34.0) finished 11th and 12th in the Division I all-around respectively. Their best individual-event finishes came in the vault. Fitzgerald tied for fourth (9.05) and Bates was eighth (8.75).

In Division II, Salem's Melissa Drake was second (36.025), April Aquinto was fourth (35.90) and Ashley Aquinto placed seventh (35.00) in the all-around. Canton's Audra Ahern tied for 11th (34.25).



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A solid showing: Canton's Jessica Bates, above, was ninth in the Division I balance beam and eighth in the vault at Saturday's state regional Salem's April Aquinto, left, finished fourth in the Division II all-around, winning the floor exercise and placing second in the balance beam.

April Aquinto had to overcome a tie for 15th-place finish in the vault (8.55), and she did, winning the floor exercise (9.4), placing second in the beam (9.25) and finishing fourth in bars (8.7).

Drake produced a first-place finish in the bars (9.2), a second in floor (9.275) and a tie for fourth in vault (8.8). She, too, had a score to overcome, tying for 13th in beam (8.75).

Ashley Aquinto recorded top-10 finishes in three individual events: a tie for fifth in floor (9.15), a seventh in bars (8.6) and a tie for ninth in vault (8.65).

Canton's Ahern finished eighth in beam (8.85) and ninth in floor (9.05).

REGIONAL GYMNASTICS RESULTS

STATE REGION II GYMNASTICS RESULTS Saturday at Plymouth Canton HS

Top team finishes 1 Northville/Novi 147.30 2 Plymouth Salem 144.475 3 Livonia Unified 140.375 4 Ann Arbor Huron 138.65 5 Plymouth Canton 135.90

Division I results
Vault 1 Jennifer Sturgis (N/N) 9.5 2 Lindsey Carlson (N/N) 9.35 3 Bethany Bartlett (PS) 9.15 4 (tie) Martina Totkov (Saline) Sara Wilchowski (N/N) Brigid Fitzgerald (PC) 9.05 7 Adele Danie s (AAH) 8.9 8 Jessi Bates (PC) 8.75 9 (tie) Stephanie Nowak (Tecumseh) Katherine Brown (AAH) 8.7

Uneven parallel bars 1 Jennifer Sturgis (N/N) 9.55 2 Sara Wilchowski (N/N) 9.5 3 Bethany Bartlett (PS) 9.4 4 Mart na Totkov (Saline) 9.3 5 Lindsey Carlson (N/N) 9.1 6 Stephen e Nowak (Tecumseh) 8.9 7 (tie) Divya Ammanath (AAH) Katherine Brown (AAH) 8.6 9 Jessy Meyerhoff (A A Pioneer) 8.55 10 Melissa Wise man (AAH) 8.45

Balance beam 1 Jennifer Sturgis (N/N) 9.65 2 Martina Totkov (Saline) 9.45 3 Lindsey Carlson (N/N) 9.4 4 Bethany Bartlett (PS) 9.35 5 Sara Wilchowski (N/N) 9.25 6 Divya Ammanath (AAH) 9.15 7 Stephanie Nowak (Tecumseh) 8.95 8 Jessy Meyerhoff (A A Pioneer) 8.8 9 Jessi Bates (PC) 8.75 10 Brigid Fitzgerald (PC) 8.65

Floor exercise 1 Martina Totkov (Saline) 9.625 2 Bethany Bartlett (PS) 9.4 3 Lindsey Carlson (N/N) 9.3 4 Katherine Brown (AAH) 9.15 5 (tie) Jennifer Sturgis (N/N) Melissa Wiseman (AAH) 9.1 7 Kacy Risner (Liv) 9.0 8 Divya Ammanath (AAH) 8.8 9 (tie) Katherine Barth (Ypsilanti) Sara Wilchowski (N/N) 8.7

All-around 1 Jennifer Sturgis (N/N) 37.80 2 Martina Totkov (Saline) 37.425 3 Bethany Bartlett (PS) 37.30 4 Lindsey Carlson

(N/N) 37.150 5 Sara Wilchowski (N/N) 36.50 6 (tie) Divya Ammanath (AAH) Stephanie Nowak (Tecumseh) 35.150 8 Katherine Brown (AAH) 35.05 9 Jessy Meyerhoff (A A Pioneer) 34.40 10 Melissa Wiseman (AAH) 34.30

Division II results

Vault 1 Jennifer Garcia (Adrian) 9.4 2 Mary Moreau (Liv) 9.2 3 Andrea Ledbetter (N/N) 8.95 4 (tie) Melissa Drake (PS) Karina Donihue (Western) 8.8 6 Meaghan Jusick (Napolean) 8.75 7 (tie) Stac Schmedding (PS) Laura Hamilton (PC) 8.7 9 (tie) Ashley Aquinto (PS) Krsta Osikowicz (Liv) Camille Doan (Western) 8.65

Uneven parallel bars 1 Melissa Drake (PS) 9.2 2 Maggie Mills (N/N) 8.9 3 Meaghan Jusick (Napolean) 8.85 4 April Aquinto (PS) 8.7 5 (tie) Lisa Thompson (Liv) Maureen Warfield (Adrian) 8.65 7 Ashley Aquinto (PS) 8.6 8 Andrea Ledbetter (N/N) 8.55 9 Mary Moreau (Liv) 8.5 10 Terre Deacons (Napolean) 8.45

Balance beam 1 Katie Edwards (Liv) 9.5 2 April Aquinto (PS) 9.25 3 Jennifer Garcia (Adrian) 9.2 4 Mary Moreau (Liv) 9.175 5 Kelsey Cauley (A A Pioneer) 9.15 6 (tie) Lisa Thompson (Liv) Mag gie Mills (N/N) 8.9 8 Audra Ahern (PC) 8.85 9 (tie) Aubrey Calligan (Hillsdale) Amanda Swartz (Saline) Jennifer Gwin (Western) Suzanne Kingsley (Western) 8.8

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All-around 1 Jennifer Garcia (Adrian) 36.10 2 Melissa Drake (PS) 36.025 3 Mary Moreau (Liv) 36.025 4 April Aquinto (PS) 35.90 5 Meaghan Jusick (Napolean) 35.45; 6 Katie Edwards (Liv) 35.40 7 Ashley Aquinto (PS) 35.00 8 Lisa Thompson (Liv) 34.70 9 Maggie Mills (N/N) 34.45 10 Kelsey Cauley (A A Pioneer) 34.30

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three periods, and I'll take that every time.

"We got a big lift out of Nick Ehlerdt. He played an outstanding game. When it was touch and go, he seemed to make a lot of big plays in a row."

"And Scott Brodie had a big game."

The 6-5 Ehlerdt scored 11 points, finishing second on the team to guard Matt Bartnick and his 14.

Brendan Chitwood had eight, Lindon Ivezaj seven and both Matt McCowan and John Rehberg six each.

Guard Billy Gazsi scored 12 points to pace Canton with Kyle

Lasko scoring 11. Both Jason Priebe and Brendan Murphy scored seven.

Stevenson's 18-5 run to close the first half featured five points by Ehlerdt and eight by Bartnick.

The Chiefs made a run to start the second half, scoring the first seven, to cut the margin to 32-24.

But then they turned the ball over three straight possessions without getting a shot and turned the ball over on the next possession after missing four straight shots.

The Spartans had hiked the margin back to 36-24 by the time

the drought ended and the Chiefs, who trailed 40-26 after three quarters, were unable to get it under 10 points again.

"I thought our defense played good," Rheault said. "But we weren't knocking anything down. I wasn't disappointed with the shots we got."

"We started settling for the perimeter game and could get absolutely nothing inside. We're a decent shooting perimeter team, too."

"We were division co-champs. But I wish more for these kids. We dealt with a lot of adversity all season."

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RECREATION NEWS

Lane courtesy rules are tough to pin down

This action took place in a Sunday league recently. An argument started on lanes 7 and 8 and became rather loud.

The two bowlers almost looked like a hockey game was about to start as the shouting got louder and nastier. It stopped just short of the two guys slugging it out in the yard. It all eventually settled down, and play resumed.

What was it all about, you may ask? Simply a matter of lane courtesy.

There are many bowlers who either ignore the whole thing and just go up on the approach ahead of the next lane bowler

There are still some whose idea of proper lane courtesy is way off the mark.

First, let's look in the rulebook. The American Bowling Congress has no rule, although they did have one up until two years ago, according to rules counselor Laurie Smetek at ABC Headquarters in Greendale, Wis.

It had specified that "the bowler on the right shall have the right of way," she adds. "Look in the ABC booklet entitled, 'What is the Answer?' which says, 'There should be one lane open on each side of the bowler due up next'."

It is not actually a rule, only a guideline.

What this all means is that each league may adopt its own rule if they choose to do so.

Most of the bowlers in the Greater Detroit area usually use the common rule of two lanes clear on either side,

and be ready to bowl as soon as they are clear.

Also, bowlers on adjacent lanes shall stay completely off the approach until the other bowler has completed his or her delivery.

All of the lane courtesy is expected so that every bowler has a chance to deliver the ball without being distracted by another bowler.

Good sportsmanship is the key. The Michigan State High School Varsity finals will be March 15-16, 16, at South Lanes in Flint.

Singles competition starts Friday followed by team games on Saturday using the Baker System format.

Among the boys team qualifiers, according to seed 1 Taylor Kennedy High, 2 Utica Eisenhower, 3 Plymouth Canton, 4 Warren Mott, 5 Sterling Heights Stevenson, 6 Warren DeLaSalle.

The top girls seeds 1 Milford, 2 Ferndale, 3 Livonia Churchill, 4 Sterling Heights Stevenson, 5 L'Anse Creuse North, 6 Dearborn Heights Annapolis.

Individuals who also qualified for singles, but not team events include Jerry Haapala of Livonia Clarenceville and Kathleen Bishop from Livonia Franklin.

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Sheldon Road Men Sam Loicano 298
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Wednesday Night Sweepers Nick Wlissing 300*
Dave Myers 300 Nunzio Marino 298/830 Steven Sicilia 300 Charles Grulke 300 (Note record score for six game qualifying round.)

WAYNE BOWL
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Joe Rohruff 300 Wes Pummilil 300
Tuesday Junior Classic Dave Kivritz 300 Tracey Kannen 300
Don Haase 300 Thursday Morning Men Dave Parker

299 243 263/805 Inter City Mixed Mark Brezovsk 815

WOODLAND LANES (Livonia)
Ford LTP Dave Maran 298 Sean Severance 298
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289 252/818 Monday Night Men Mike Miller 300
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300

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Men JT Kiester 300 Thursday Guys & Dolls Nate
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AL HARRISON

Love nesting is not all for the birds

Valentine's Day was not only a time for people to think amorous thoughts, but other animals have the same thing in mind.

I was watching eastern bluebirds flying together as a pair, cardinals were singing their "cheer, cheer, cheer" song for the first time since last summer.

Meanwhile, tufted titmice were singing their plaintive "Peter, Peter, Peter," or "chiva, chiva, chiva" if you prefer.

Red-tailed hawks are frequently seen in pairs these days.

This is just the beginning of the amorous season, so now is the time to get down to the wood shop for some bird house building.

If you get to it quickly, you could have some bluebird boxes made and in place by the first part of March. Other box nesting species will be using them soon after.

Keep in mind that not all birds will build a nest in a man made box intended to resemble a natural cavity in a tree. Many birds

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build a nest in open conditions. Robins, for instance, will not enter a hole to build a nest. They will use a three sided platform with a roof. Grackles, cardinals, house finch and goldfinch do not nest in boxes or cavities.

Several backyard birds do use boxes though. Black-capped chickadees are cavity nesters. Tufted titmice, all the woodpeckers, white breasted nuthatch, and house wren all use a man made box very readily.

Placing bird boxes in your yard provides a very essential part of their needs. Cavities in urban

areas are often occupied by the aggressive starling.

If suitable natural cavities are not available, then cavity nesters will find other places.

Providing bird boxes keeps them in your yard where you can watch them bring nesting material to the box, protect it from threats, bring food to the young and watch the adults teach their young that your feeding station is just across the yard.

Bird houses should be built to the specifications for the intended bird. Building an effective bird house is more than just nailing six boards together, putting a hole in the front and calling it a bird house.

That hole, for instance, should be no bigger than 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Creating a hole larger than 1 1/2 inches in diameter just makes more housing for the abundant starling.

Be sure to make the floor size large enough for the intended bird, but not too large. Birds should not have to spend weeks filling the inside cavity so they can lay their eggs in it.

Our suburban neighborhoods are full of predators like raccoons, which will eat almost anything, especially young birds, or even

adults.

To avoid raccoons from reaching through the hole and grabbing a nestling, be sure the hole is far enough above the floor. If the hole is too close to the floor, the completed nest will be too high and close to the hole.

A raccoon could easily grab a young bird just by reaching straight in. A double thickness of wood at the entrance will help prevent predation, too.

Make the house out of one inch stock, which is milled down to three-quarters inch thick. Wood this thick will insulate the young birds from the heat and cold.

Do not stain or paint the inside of the box. Stain on the outside is all right. No need for a perch either. Perches only provide resting places for house sparrows. Their presence will deter the bird species you built the box for in the first place.

Different size birds will require different size boxes.

Visit the library and check out any of several books that will provide you with the appropriate dimensions for the bird you hope to attract.

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CC upset bid falls short

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That's why it's called March "Madness" — Redford Catholic Central's boys basketball team came a hair's breadth away from upsetting the No. 2-ranked team in the state, but fell just short, losing 51-48 to Detroit Redford on Monday's Class A district opener at CC High School. The Shamrocks ended the season with a 13-7 record, while the Huskies improved to 18-2 overall.

CC had Redford on the ropes most of the game thanks to accurate 3-point shooting and smart play at both ends of the court. But in the last 12 minutes of the game, the proverbial lid covered the basket CC was shooting at, and the Huskies were able to pull off the comeback victory.

"We missed some open shots towards the end of the game," said CC coach Rick Coratti. "We played hard the whole game and certainly had a chance to win it in the end. But they really turned up their defensive intensity on us in the second half."

A 3-pointer by CC senior Jeff Niemiec — his fifth of the game — gave the Shamrocks a 41-31 lead with 4:50 left in the third quarter. The student section was jumping, the players on the bench shouting, and a big upset appeared in the making.

Then, the CC shooters turned as cold as the outside weather. The team missed shots in just about every way, including a few agonizing roll-off-the-rim shot attempts. The team wouldn't record another field goal until senior center Ryan Clark converted an uncontested offensive rebound for a layup with 24.3 seconds left in the game.

By the time the drought ended, Redford had gone on a 20-5 run to pull ahead 51-46 with less than a minute left in the game. Clark's score made it a three-point game, and after a pair of missed free throws by Redford's Dion Harris, the Shamrocks had one possession to tie the game.

BASKETBALL

Senior guard Ryan Wroblewski threw up a wild 3-point attempt, and although he appeared to get hit on his shooting arm by a Redford defender, no call was made, and the Huskies sprinted down the court with the rebound, letting the clock, and CC's season expire.

CC started the game on fire from 3-point land, leading throughout the first half and building a lead as large as 10 points in the second half. Niemiec scored nine of his team's high 16 points in the first half, and helped the offense execute very well in the first half.

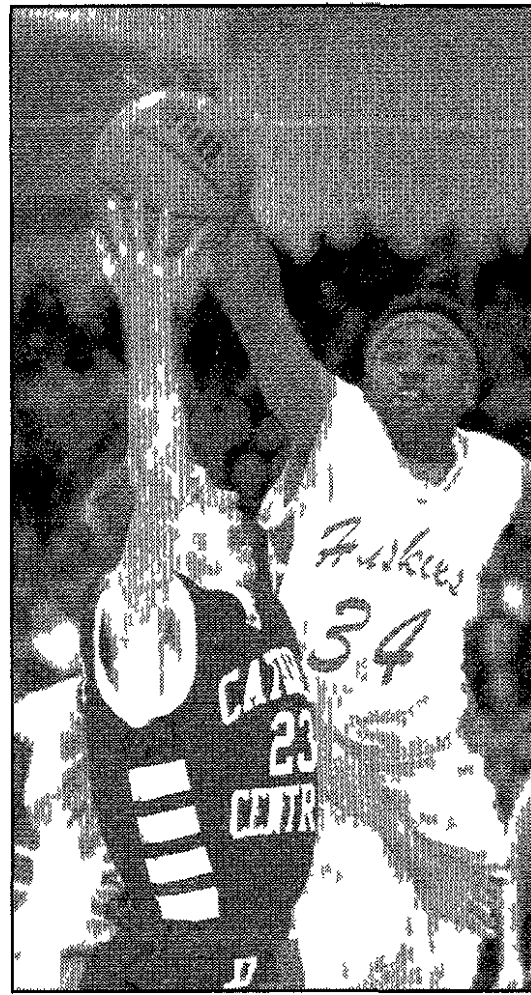
In addition to the crisp offense, CC's 2-3 zone defense gave the athletic Huskies fits through most of the game. The team played help-and-recover defense extremely well, limiting Redford's shot attempts from inside 15 feet. Coratti said he thought the zone defense would give his team its best chance to succeed.

"We knew they would be a tough matchup for us in a man-to-man, and that's how they wanted to play us," he said. "We know Harris will get his points, but we wanted to keep the others down if we could."

Harris was a one-man show in the first half for Redford, scoring 16 of his team's 26 points, including a pair of NBA-range 3-point baskets. He finished the game with 25 points, 10 rebounds and two steals, despite scoring just four points in the pivotal fourth quarter.

Redford's Chris Seay and Kendrick Moten combined for 10 points in the fourth quarter that saw the Huskies outscore the Shamrocks 15-4. Moten finished the game with nine points, eight rebounds, three steals and three assists.

CC's entire starting five played their final games Monday, and Coratti saluted them for their hard work over their careers.



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Rejected Redford's Jamal Lock (right) rises up to block a shot by CC's Steve Wasil during the third quarter of Monday's dramatic district contest, won by the Huskies.

"These guys have nothing to be ashamed of," he said. "They played very hard tonight and all through their time here."

Clark played a tough game under the boards, getting nine points and nine rebounds. Senior guard Tom Jakacki, an All-CHSL selection, collected seven points and six rebounds, and Wroblewski scored eight for the Shamrocks.

ALL-CATHOLIC LEAGUE BASKETBALL

Below is a list of the athletes named to the various All-Catholic Winter Teams for the 2001-02 season, as selected by the Catholic Coaches Association:

All-Catholic C/D East — Matt Finn (Cardinal Mooney), Sam Limb (St. Clement), Nathan Landozki (St. Clement), Kurtis Schneider (Cardinal Mooney), Brian Smith (St. Florian), Ryan Sulek (St. Clement).

C/D West — Dan Souther (St. Agatha), Jonathan Johnson (Loyola), Andre Lowe (Loyola), Ricardo Marquez (St. Alphonsus), Chris Mayers (St. Agatha), Joe Witz (Light and Life).

A East — Carl Bolifer (Shrine), Brandon Black (East Catholic), Andrew Bradford (East Catholic), Shea Marte (Ann Arbor), Gabriel Richard (Matt Long (Bishop Foley), Billy Salmonowicz (Bishop Foley).

A West — Nick Body (Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes), Jake Healey (Riverview), Gabriel Richard (Mike Peeples (Detroit), Antoine Smith (Holy Redeemer), Nick Soltes (Allen Park), Josh Visser (Riverview), Gabriel Richard).

AA — John Andrews (O.L.S. Mary's), Darren Bynum (Bishop Borgess), Brandon Cotton (Detroit DePorres), Matt Geyer (Notre Dame Prep), Jason Moore (Detroit DePorres), Tyrone Prentiss (O.L.S. Mary's).

Central — Brian Biggs (Notre Dame), Jeff Grauzer (Warren DeLaSalle), Tom Jakacki (Catholic Central), Anthony Lamerato (Warren DeLaSalle), Sean Rinke (Notre Dame), Joe Woods (U.D. Jesuit).

All-League
C/D East — Bobby David (Cardinal Mooney), Troy Jones (St. Florian), Steve Pulis (Immaculate Conception), Scott Steward (St. Clement), Tony White (Urban Lutharian), Stefan Wilson.

C/D West — Troy Brook (St. Alphonsus), Taurell Bush (Loyola), Jake Pawlak (Light and Life), Phil Schuck (Wyandotte Mt. Carmel), Kenny Smith (St. Agatha), Jamaal Thomas (Loyola).

A East — Jamie Caulk (Ann Arbor), Sean Charles (East Catholic), Ron Hildreth (Bishop Gallagher), Jon Komisar (Bishop Foley), Joe Mazzone (Bishop Foley), Mike Surochman (Royal Oak Shrine).

A West — Shawn Beavers (Benedictine), Todd Keimbach (Gabriel Richard), John

Korrey (Benedictine), Les Moinar (Allen Park), Paul Nuss (Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes), Jim Pappas (Gabriel Richard).

AA — Andre Ratliffe (Orchard Lake St. Mary's), Brendon Crawford (Detroit DePorres), Mark Garza (Notre Dame Prep), Collin Price (Dearborn Divine Child), Billy Swain (Detroit DePorres), Antonio Watkins (Orchard Lake St. Mary's).

Central — Ryan Clark (Catholic Central), John Hamond (U.D. Jesuit), John Pelek (Notre Dame), Eric Rouls (Warren DeLaSalle), Nick Shango (Birmingham Brother Rice), Ryan Wroblewski (Catholic Central).

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C/D East — Neil Cole (Immaculate Conception), Jamill Crooks (Urban Lutharian), Bobby David (Cardinal Mooney), Al Madree (St. Florian), Jonathan Popowich (Centerline St. Clement), Coach of the Year — David Feldman (Centerline St. Clement).

C/D West — Josh Cook (Light and Life), Michael Harrington (Loyola), Andrew Hynal (St. Alphonsus), Adam Kozek (St. Agatha), Joe Wencelaw (Wyandotte Mt. Carmel), Coach of the Year — Robert Brown (Loyola).

A East — Travis Coughlin (Bishop Foley), Andrew Davison (Ann Arbor), Gabriel Richard, Dan Noble (Royal Oak Shrine), Brian Seery (Gallagher), Coach of the Year — Gary Capaldi (Bishop Foley).

A West — Jeff Boutan (Gabriel Richard), Tony Lawrence (Benedictine), Mike Fallon (Allen Park), Lysses Simmons (Holy Redeemer), Mike Vogt (Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes), Coach of the Year — John Verdura (Gabriel Richard).

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Shamrocks rule region

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Admittedly, Redford Catholic Central hadn't played its best hockey game in the state play-offs. Yet, it was the Shamrocks who skated off the Redford Ice Arena surface with the hard-ware Saturday night.

CC used sustained pressure and timely goal scoring to win another Division I regional championship with a 4-2 win over the Farmington Unified Flyers in front of an overflow crowd. The Shamrocks faced longtime rival Trenton Wednesday in the state quarterfinals, while the Flyers' season ends with a 17-9-1 record.

In gaining its first three post-season wins, CC outscored its opposition by just six goals, including a double overtime thriller against Livonia Stevenson in the previous round. The regional final game was also evenly contested, especially through two periods, but in the third period, CC flexed enough muscle to get the win.

"The difference was the third period," said an emotional Farmington coach Mike Harris after the game. "They outshot us 16-2,

CC HOCKEY

and never really let us get anything going. We started out the period killing a penalty and that put us back on our heels right away. But give CC all the credit. They have a great program, and are a very talented team. I congratulate them."

CC coach Todd Johnson said the team's experience in tightly played games has shown through in the post-season.

"We're comfortable with the situation when it's a 2-2 game with five minutes left, because we've played games like that all year," he said. "We played a lot of games just like this one, but I think our ability to roll four lines over really helps."

The two teams played to a virtual draw through two periods, with the score 2-2 and shots on goal 15-13 in favor of CC. But the play was almost exclusively in the Farmington defensive zone all through the third period, and CC junior Brandon Naurato finally made the pressure pay off.

Naurato tapped in a rebound shot that had been dropped

while flying across the goal crease to put the Shamrocks ahead for good, 3-2, with 4:55 left in the game. He also scored the team's second goal of the game, providing key offense in a game when quality scoring chances were not abundant.

"Brandon's had a lot of injuries this year, and he's really finding his groove now," Johnson said. "He has a good knack for where to go offensively, and his linemates really work well with him. It's a solid three-man unit."

CC's Ryan O'Dea closed the door on the game with an empty-net goal in the final minute. Winning a regional championship would be cause for glove-tossing and wild celebrations for many hockey programs, and understandably so. But CC handles these types of things a little differently. Team captains John Perkovich and Jeff Davis accepted the regional championship trophy, and skated quietly off the ice, knowing more lies ahead for them.

"We aren't content with where we're at," Johnson said. "It would have been very disappointing if we had lost one of these last two games, or end up losing our next game, because we have such high expectations here. But our play needs to be better if we're to measure up to what we've done in the past."

Farmington hung tough with CC in the first 30 minutes of the game, bouncing back to tie the game twice. After CC's Sean O'Mally opened the scoring, Farmington junior center Keith Hay responded with a goal less than three minutes later to tie the score at 1-1. Hay jumped on a loose puck in front of the net and backhanded it in.

Naurato's first goal of the game gave the Shamrocks a momentary 2-1 lead, but Flyers senior Mike Colombo tied the game up once again less than three minutes later. He skated around the back of the net, and found a loose puck and some open space to tap in a rebound off a shot by Hay.

Farmington outshot CC 11-10 in the second period, but in the third, it was junior goaltender Aaron Allor who kept his team in the game, making several spectacular saves against CC's steady pressure.

CC junior Eric Giosa picked up two assists in the game, while junior Patrick Coldren, junior Eric Reinhardt, O'Dea and senior Stephen Nelson recorded single assists. Farmington senior Matt Lee assisted on his team's first goal.

CC sophomore goaltender Jim Blanchard made 13 saves in the winning effort, while Allor stopped 27 shots.

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Rec offerings

The city of Plymouth will offer a class in Basic Skills Ice Skating, with the seven-week class starting March 25. Classes will be Monday evenings, Thursday mornings and Saturdays. Each class is 25 minutes long, with an additional 25 minutes of practice time.

Cost is \$30 for city of Plymouth residents, \$50 for non-residents. General registration will be from 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 21.

College - D1

Lansing, led by Levi Rost's 29 points, hoisted up 40 three-point attempts. Charles Ford II and Hoskins each 13 and 12, respectively.

"At halftime we talked about guarding their three-point shooters and Emir (Medunjanin) good job guarding them all over the court," said Briggs, whose team led by only two at half, 46-44. "Our defensive intensity picked up and we were able to get some run-outs from that and score some easy baskets."

"We did it with defense."

SC women win state

It took a monster game from a key individual to survive the Michigan Community College Athletic Association State Championship contest, and Schoolcraft College got just that from Devin Francois.

The 5-foot-10 sophomore poured in a game-high 28 points and grabbed 23 rebounds as the Lady Ocelots held off Kalamazoo Valley CC 80-78 to win the state title Saturday at KVCC.

The win pushed SC's record to 24-4. KVCC is 27-2.

SC led 41-35 at the half and improved that to 58-43 with 13:00 to play when KVCC began its long road back. At the end, the host team had a three-point shot at the buzzer to win, but it rimmed out.

Francois converted 13-of-21 floor shots, grabbed 11 offensive rebounds, dished out four assists and had two steals for SC. Her 23 rebounds sparked the Ocelots on the boards — they outrebounded KVCC 47-32.

Kelly Grenan (from Redford Thurston) added 13 points, five boards and two steals, and Kera Hill, Keysa Hamilton and Pam Wingate each scored 11 points, Hill collecting five assists and five steals. Rachel Eley was limited to four points, but she dished out 12 assists and had three steals.

SC had a wide edge in shooting from the floor with 33 baskets (44.5 percent) to KVCC's 24 (45.3 percent). KVCC kept it close at the free-throw line, converting 25-of-32 (78.1 percent) compared to SC's 8-of-16 (50 percent).

at the Plymouth Cultural Center. For more information, call the recreation office at (734) 455-6620.

Registration for Summer T-ball will be April 1-19 at the Plymouth Cultural Center (525 Farmer) during office hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.). The league, for five and six-year olds, is non-competitive and designed to promote recreation and sportsmanship. The season runs from June 22-Aug. 10 (no games July 6). Practice is once a week, after work hours, as designated by the coach. Games will be on Saturdays.

Cost is \$45 for city of Plymouth residents, \$65 for non-residents. A birth certificate is required for registration. For further information, call the recreation office at (734) 455-6620.

For those interested in men's slow pitch and modified softball leagues this spring, registration for returning teams will be March 8-21. New teams may register March 22-29. Both registrations will be during business hours (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) at the recreation office in the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Cost is \$550 per team, which

includes game balls and non-resident fee deposit. Umpire fees are not included. Players must be 18 by May 6, 2002.

The men's slow pitch league begins play the week of May 6, with games on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings. Men's modified league play begins the week of May 15, with games on Wednesday evenings. Teams will play a minimum of nine games. All games will be at Don Massey Field.

For more information, call the recreation office at (734) 455-6620.

Group golf

Hilltop Golf Course is now booking group golf outings for 2002. Group rates are available for groups of 16 or more golfers, weekdays or weekends. Book your outing by March 31 and receive an 18-hole round of golf for two with power cart and a dozen Titleist Tour Balata or HP2 Tour golf balls.

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10 a.m.-noon, cost is \$30 per golfer. Other options are available.

For more information, call (734) 453-9800.

Baseball tryout

Little Caesars' 16-and-under summer travel baseball team is having tryouts every Sunday at Eastern Michigan. There are openings for a few solid players.

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Madonna splits season opener

Good pitching enabled Madonna University's baseball team to start its season with a split on its opening day last Friday in Homestead, Fla. The Crusaders lost to Florida Memorial 1-0 in the second game, after holding off the Northwood University Seahawks for a 6-4 victory in the first.

In the win over Northwood, Jeremy Stevens tossed a complete game six-hitter, allowing one earned run while striking out three and walking one to earn the victory.

Sterling Mintzer had three

BASEBALL

hits, including a triple, and drove in two runs and Neil Wildfong (from Plymouth Canton HS) had two hits, including a triple, and scored two runs. Devin Cole and Matt Ragley added two hits and an RBI each.

Friday's second game against Florida Memorial was a classic pitchers' duel, with Mike Hayes surrendering just four hits and no walks but giving up the game's only run in the fifth. He

struck out three.

The Crusaders had a chance to tie it in the seventh when Roy Rabe (from Livonia Stevenson) led off with a single. Pinch runner David Nester advanced to second on a bunt by Mark Hayes and to third on Joe Pruchnik's flyout. Chris Woodruff followed with a hard drive down the right-field line, but the Memorial first baseman speared it to end the game.

Madonna had five hits in the game, all singles by five different players.

Salem hoops from page D1

half — took over with two three-point plays and 10 points in the quarter.

In fact, what truly saved Stevenson was a Salem miss with 30 left in the quarter followed by a Spartan fastbreak. Scott Brodie scored the layup and was fouled by Kevin Savitskie. Upset by the turn of events, Salem's T.J. Winowiecki slammed the ball down, the official gave him a technical foul that led to three free throws and possession of the ball.

Brady Crosby's ensuing three-pointer meant the Spartans finished the third quarter with a seven-point possession, taking their lead from 32-30 to 39-30 entering the fourth.

And still it wasn't enough.

The Rocks scored 13 straight points to start the fourth, forcing four consecutive Stevenson turnovers. Hoskins' three-point-

er with 6:12 left gave Salem its first lead of the game, 41-39, he followed that with a steal and dunk, putting Salem up by four.

They maintained the lead, a Hoskins' free throw with 1:49 left pushing their advantage to 48-44. That's when Bartnick, who had just one basket in the first three quarters, took over. Both his triples came from the wing on the left side, well outside the arc.

"I was so mad at him, at one point I was going to sit him down for the rest of the game, but I couldn't do it," said Dyer. "Those two threes and that dump-down will go down in history around here."

Bartnick finished with 10 points — eight in the fourth quarter — tying Landon Ivezaj and Crosby for team-high scoring honors. Chris Severson added nine



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL
In a crowd: Salem's Brady Pastalanec is in a jam.

Salem wasn't as balanced. Hoskins finished with 23 points, Abraham added eight.

In the end, someone had to lose. And the way the game was played down the stretch, that's too bad — because neither team deserved it.

Whalers from page D1

Brad Self to take a 3-1 lead into the third.

George Nistas collected Plymouth's third goal with 7:23 left (from Nathan Tennant and Brad Yeo), but the Whalers could not get the equalizer.

It was similar at Ottawa Sunday, except the 67s got the game's first three goals, from Sean Scully in the first period, Miguel Delisle in the second and Adam Chapman in the third, before the Whalers retaliated.

James Wisniewski (from Canton) scored on the power play (from Greg Campbell and Weiss)

with 6:40 left, and Vernarsky made it 3-2 with 2:47 remaining (from Tennant and Nate Kiser), but again the equalizer eluded them.

On Saturday at Kingston, Plymouth got one to go its way, edging the Frontenacs 3-2. This time the Whalers had the early lead and never lost it, although Kingston did manage to tie it at 1-all in the first period.

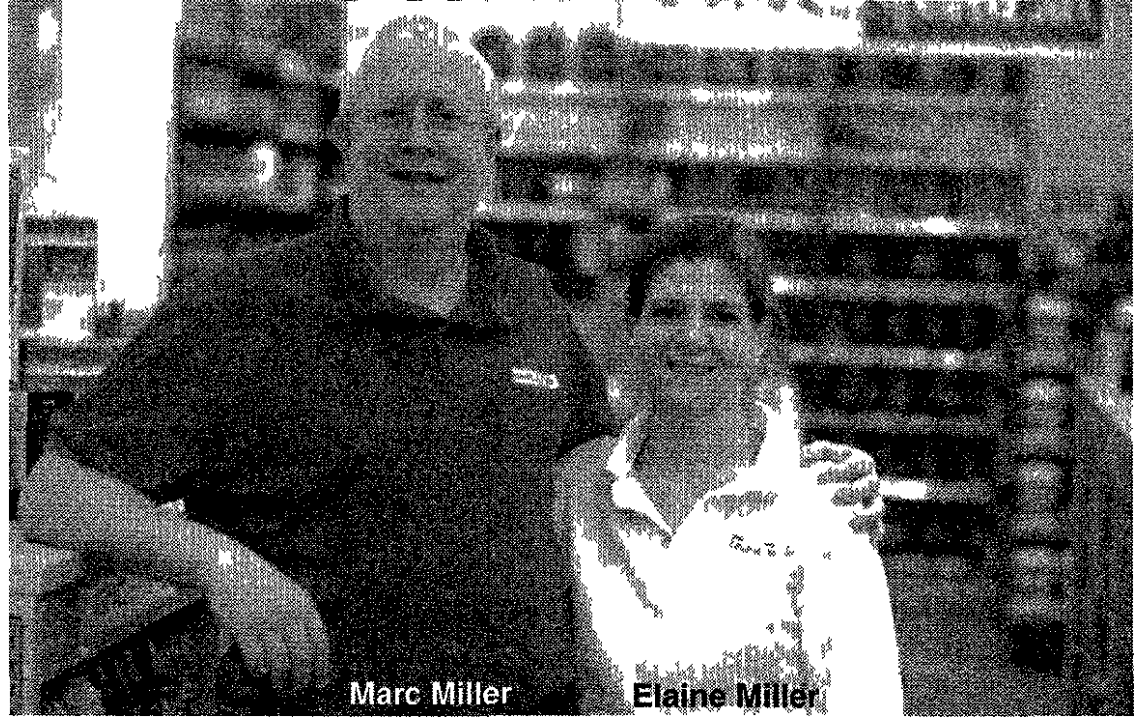
Damian Surma scored Plymouth's first and last goals, with Campbell assisting on both and Nistas on the first. Wisniewski scored the middle goal in the

second period, again on the power play, with Vernarsky and Weiss assisting. Brad Horan (first period) and Frank Burgio (third period) got goals for the Frontenacs.

The 1-2 weekend left the Whalers at 37-15-8-2 (84 points), first in the OHL's West Division and in the league overall. Ottawa remains first in the East Division at 33-19-10-1 (77 points), Peterborough is third in the East at 29-20-7-6 (71 points), and Kingston is last in the East at 17-33-9-4 (47).

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April 21-27

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REAL ESTATE

Thursday, March 7, 2002

Back-lot owners may get lake access

I understand there was a recent case addressing whether a lakefront property owner could provide an easement for a non-lakefront property owner to allow them, among other things, to maintain a dock on the lake. Do you have any information about that?

REAL ESTATE QUERIES



ROBERT M. MEISNER

In a recent published decision of significant note, the Michigan Court of Appeals ruled that while state law doesn't permit the severance and transference of riparian ownership or riparian rights normally enjoyed exclusively by owners of riparian land i.e., land directly on the water, it clearly allows a grantor to confer to non-riparian, back-lot owners an easement to enjoy such rights

The court further noted, however, that the court must determine the scope of the non-riparian owner's rights as a question of fact by examining the language of the easement and the surrounding circumstances at the time of the grant

The court also noted that in determining these rights, the court must consider whether the use would unreasonably interfere with the riparian lot owners' use and enjoyment of their property

This is an important decision for developers and owners of riparian lots but, of course, could be appealed to the Supreme Court

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer, concentrates his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation

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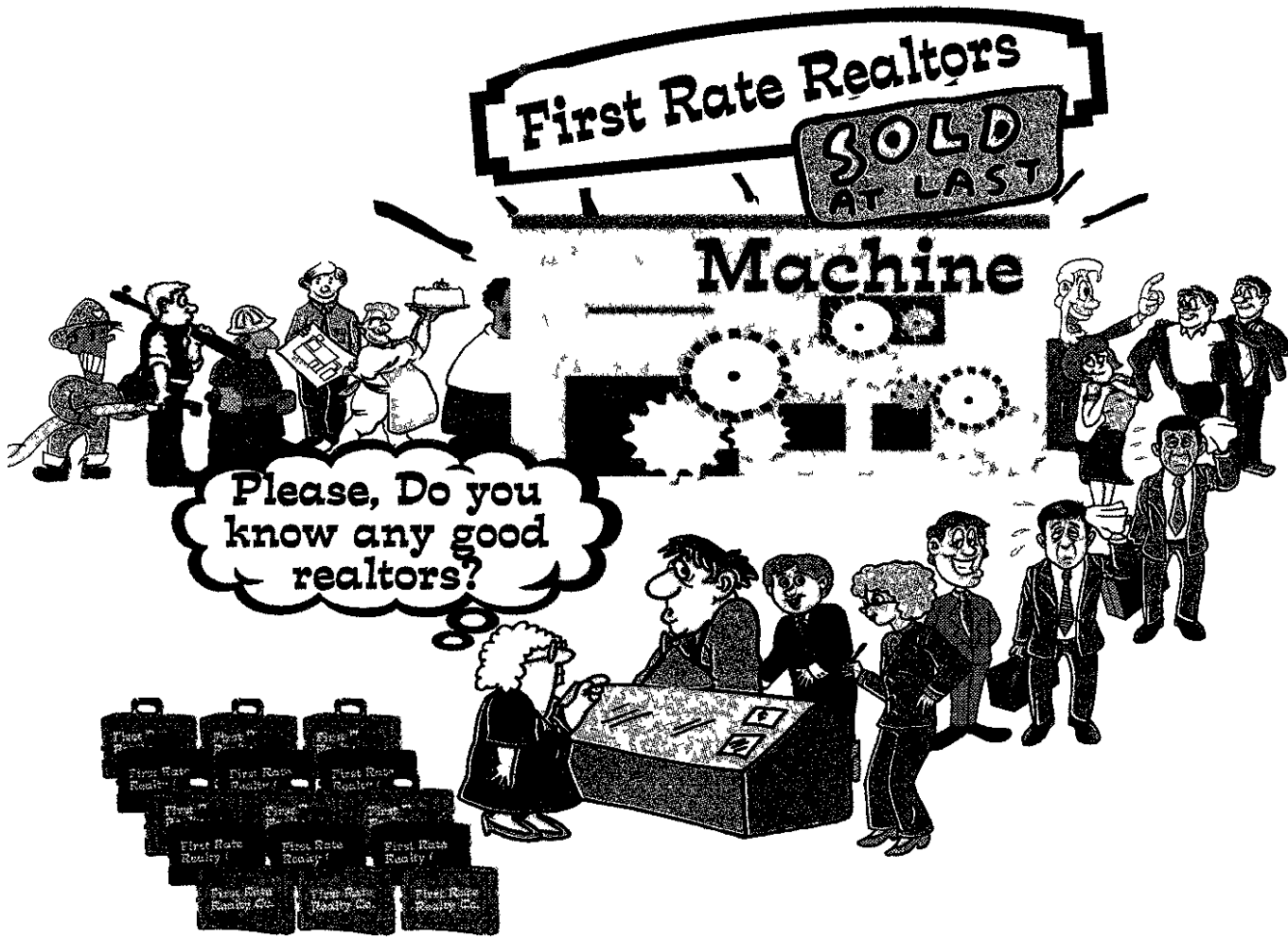
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Changing gears

BY DOUG FUNKE
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Darn few Realtors start their working careers helping people sell and buy houses

Some were teachers. Others earned a living as nurses, factory workers and police officers. Still others toiled in a different line of sales

Lifestyle changes, health concerns and a general yearning for something different, better, steered folks into real estate

For some, a family member, friend or acquaintance suggested or encouraged such a move. But not always. Others were self-motivated and directed

Nancy O Snelaff, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer in Bloomfield Hills, started helping people meet their housing needs a dozen years ago when she was 60

"My husband (Carl) wanted me to get back into the business world. I was ready. I had taken care of my mother, got my black belt in karate, my kids were gone"

So Carl brought secretarial work for Nancy to do at home from his business. Actually, Nancy worked as a chemist out of college, but women usually didn't hold down jobs outside the home after they married back then

GETTING INTO REAL ESTATE

You must be at least 18 years old to become a real estate agent in Michigan. You must take 40 hours of classroom training on such topics as real estate law, fair housing, financial responsibilities and ethical standards.

Major real estate franchises, private companies and community colleges offer the class throughout the year. Average fee ranges from \$175-\$200.

After the class, you must pass a state licensing exam, offered twice daily by computer in Lansing, Canton and Troy.

"They (real estate agents) are doing this because they have unlimited income potential and there's a flexible work schedule," said Pat Stokes, associate broker and office manager for Weir, Manuel, Snyder and Ranke in Plymouth.

"But you must be disciplined to have a business plan to be in control, you must be a good personal organizer.

"In real estate, you're an independent contractor, your own boss," Stokes added. "That means you organize your own business, pay your own taxes, health care and make (retirement) contributions to IRAs."

"I had a niece, Chris Leismer, in it," Snelaff said of her introduction to real estate. "She encouraged me. I went to her office."

"It's the only business I know of where you can set your own hours. I really enjoy being with younger people in the office and

people I meet. "My dad never retired and died at 85. He's my mentor in that regards. Why would I retire? I'm busy, active, physically fit"

Kevin Downey, a remodeler for 24 years, branched into real estate sales about four years ago and is affiliated with Century 21 Va-U-Way in Waterford

"My body started breaking down with age, and real estate was an area I felt I might take to," he said. "Both careers mix well"

"Physically, real estate is easier, mentally, harder. Your mind is always on the go. Get this signed, that signed, this done, that done," he said

"I love it. I like people, helping them get into what they want, a little piece of God's planet of their own," he said

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Manuela Martins, Please see CAREERS, E2

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Beef up credit to reduce risk

If you were to apply for a life insurance policy, the insurance company would probably put you through comprehensive health screening process. They would review your family history, analyze your eating and exercise habits, and seek to determine if you have any pre-existing conditions. In short, your insurance company will determine your "insurability." Your policy premiums would be a function of how many "layers" of risk they must manage

MORTGAGE BITS



TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

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Tips

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Treat open credit like gold. Make at least your minimum monthly payment on time all the time. It's the best way to improve your scores.

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IN THE AREA

Here's a sampling of average sales prices for existing homes last year (2001) reported by selected real estate boards closer to home



LOCATION	AVG PRICE	1 YEAR CHANGE
LIVINGSTON	\$245,480	+14.15%
BHAM/OAKLAND	249,490	9.04
DEARBORN	152,090	9.01
DETROIT	84,110	8.16
DOWNRIVER	138,050	7.46
NO OAKLAND	193,760	7.43
MACOMB	162,520	6.24
ANN ARBOR	237,450	3.99
W WAYNE/OAK	214,970	3.15
MONROE	155,890	1.5%

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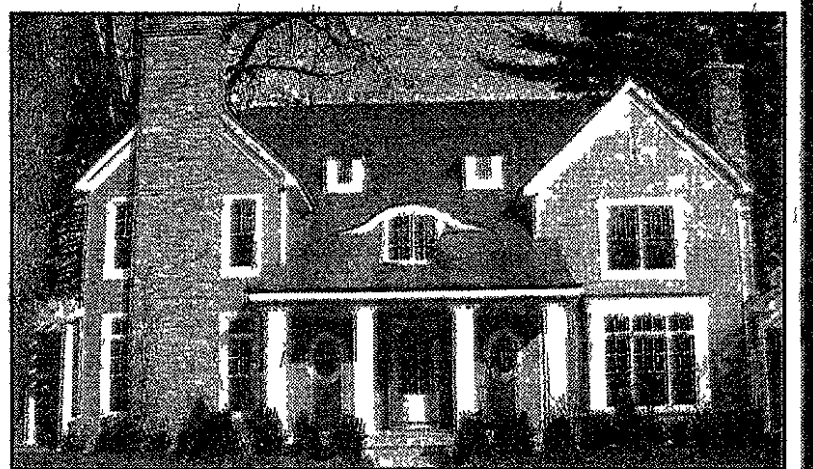
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SmithGroup, a Detroit-based architectural, engineering and planning firm, promotes two employees to principal **Joseph H. Trusk,**



Joseph Trusk

PE, a senior project electrical engineer, has worked for the firm 24 years. He has a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan

Z.Y. Liu, PE, a senior project structural engineer, has been affiliated with the firm 11 years. He received PhD and master's degrees in structural engineering from the University of Michigan and a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Tongji University, China

Ted Himmelpach joins Mentor Financial in Farmington as a senior mortgage officer. He lives in Wixom and brings 23 years financial management experience to the position



Ted Himmelpach

Officers and directors have been elected to serve the **Construction Association of Michigan** for 2002

Bruce M. Pregler, lawyer/partner with Facca, Richter & Pregler, is chairman. **Clyde Jones,** Center Line Electric, and **Frank Nehr,** Davis Iron Works, are vice chairmen. **Dale McAtamney,** Armor Glass & Metal, is treasurer. **Thomas Burke Jr.,** Burke Equipment, **Jeffrey Harrison,** Harrison Piping Supply and **Frank G. Nutt,** North Electric Supply, are new directors

William A. Bouscher, an associate broker, has accepted the position of sales manager of Prudential Chamberlain-Stehls Birmingham office

He will be responsible for day-to-day operations, management of sales staff, recruiting sales associates and training/mentoring. He brings 25 years of management experience to the job. Bouscher's community involvements include Clawson Rotary, Royal Oak Lions and South Oakland YMCA.

Three new directors join the board of directors of the Affiliated Building Services Contractors in Michigan

Darren Klein, founder of A Klein Company Custom Cleaning Services, is a member of the Cleaning Management Institute, the Michigan Chamber of Commerce and the National Federation of Independent Businesses.

Jay Ralston, founder and president of Services Unlimited, also is involved with the Northwestern YMCA Branch, the MS Society and the American Cancer Society

Barbara A. Wynder, co-owner of White Glove Professional Cleaning, holds a master's and a law degrees from the University of Detroit and bachelor's degree from Morgan State University

Her involvements include Plymouth United Church of Christ, the National Lawyers Guild and Michigan Coalition on Human Rights.

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affiliated with Real Estate One in Farmington Hills, was a magazine editor in Europe who came to the US in 1978 with her husband, an auto industry transferee

"I worked in a bank, I worked in taxes and decided to try real estate in 1985-86," Manuela said. "It was in the back of my mind"

"I like the flexible hours, although they're not as flexible as you think," she said. "I like not having a boss. We're

our own boss. "And of course, I like finding the right house for the right people. When everything goes well, it's a very good feeling," Martins said

■ **Mike Lawrence,** broker/owner of First Harvest Realty in Redford, first worked in an auto plant, then as lease payment collector

He switched careers again in 1979 at the advice of neighbors who owned a real estate company. But Lawrence con-

sidered other sales work — cemetery plots and cars — before settling on houses

What ultimately tipped the scales? "I wasn't stuck in one place. I liked getting out and about, freedom," he said

The third career choice apparently was the charm. "I can write my own paycheck depending on how hard I work. There's never a dull moment. No two deals are alike," Lawrence said

■ **Kim Downs,** an associate broke with RE/MAX Classic, Livonia, had a lot of jobs after serving in the Vietnam War and graduating college

"I worked as a bus driver and transit operations supervisor, then I was in construction for 10 years where I did a little bit of everything, then I drove an over-the-road 18 wheeler for a year," he said. And then? "I got a job offer in Palm Springs helping manage condominiums and a vacation resort,"

he recalled. "I decided to go into real estate when I saw all of those million-dollar homes and thought, 'What a nice check if I sold them'"

Downs worked there a year and has continued in real estate sales since moving back here, where he grew up, seven years ago

"I like meeting people and meeting peoples' needs, watch how excited they are, helping them with the major investment in their life," he said

"Paychecks are nice," Downs added. "You're actually in business for yourself. As hard as you work is what you earn"

■ **Kevin McNulty** enjoyed a general law practice until he soured on the system with the "not guilty" verdict in the O J Simpson murder trial

Now, he works as a lawyer for a title insurance company by day, and a Realtor affiliated with Jack Christenson Orion in Lake Orion weekends and nights

"As a lawyer, I was always meeting clients when it was too late," McNulty said of his former practice. "Real estate

is a happy time for everyone. "Sellers are happy to sell and move on, buyers are ready to move in"

"I think people need the benefit of representation in every situation," he added. "For me, I'm still helping people"

■ **Joanne Benedict,** a Realtor with Max Brock, a Real Estate One family company in Rochester, figures that she's made 25 different moves since her college days and being a military wife

"I've always had kind of an interest in houses," she said. "I've been the one in the family to have an impetus to move, the one to refinance"

Benedict was a stay-at-home-mom, then an office manager before realizing her dream and jumping into real estate five years ago

She likes everything about houses from their layout to decor. And her new career, too

"It gives me the ability to be with people, talk with people," Benedict said. "I'm my own boss. It gives me flexibility for other things in life"

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BUY HOME CLASS

Carol Parks of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Northville, and Ken Turkington of Pioneer Mortgage co-sponsor a class for home buyers 9 30-11 30 a m Saturday, March 9, at Pioneer Mortgage, 42400 Nine Mile, Novi
To register, call (248) 347-3050 Ext 239

SPECIALTY SELLING

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents a class on cross-cultural selling techniques, "Bow, Hug of Shake Hands" 9 a m to noon Wednesday, March 13, at the Troy Marriott, 200 West Big Beaver Road

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, is \$79 for BIA sales and marketing council members, \$99 for other BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$129 for non-members
To register, call (248) 862-1033

BUY HOME CLASS II

Terry White, a Realtor with Century 21 Towne Pride in Westland, hosts a free class for home buyers 7-8 p m Wednesday, March 13, at the Towne Pride office, 36450 Ford Road
To register, call (734) 326-2600

BUY HOME CLASS III

Deborah Johnson of RE/MAX Great Lakes hosts a free seminar for home buyers 6 30 p m Wednesday March 13, at the Great Lakes office, 33966 Eight Mile, Farmington Hills
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BUY HOME CLASS IV

Diane Adamick, senior mortgage advisor with Approved Mortgages, hosts a free class for home buyers 7-8 30 p m Wednesday, March 13, at Summit on the Park, Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill and Michigan Avenue, Canton
To register, call (734) 455-2219 Ext 217

BUY HOME CLASS V

Juliette Bauman, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Livonia, and Mark Bowers, of Colonial Mortgage, sponsor a free class for home buyers 6 30-8 30 p m Tuesday, March 19, at the Livonia Civic Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of

Farmington Road

To register, call (734) 779-9977

BUY HOME CLASS VI

Rosemary Firestone, a Realtor with RE/MAX 100, and her financial services team present a free class for home buyers 7-9 p m Tuesday, March 19, at Westminster Title, Eight Mile and Haggerty, Novi
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SURVIVAL COURSE

The Michigan Mortgage Brokers Association sponsors a basic survival continuing education course 8 a m to 1 30 p m Tuesday, March 19, at Hotel Baronette, 27790 Novi Road, Novi
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BOMA MEETING

The Building Owners & Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit hosts a breakfast and Detroit Zoo presentation/visit 8 a m Wednesday, March 20, at the zoo, 10 Mile at Woodward, Royal Oak Cost is \$35 for members, \$60 for non-members To register, call (248) 848-3714

ARCHITECTURE LECTURE

Lawrence Technological University hosts a free lecture by James Biber, a designer, 7 30 p m Thursday, March 21,

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GARDE NOMINATIONS

The Great Lakes Construction Alliance will accept nominations until Friday, March 22, for its seventh annual Gender and Race Diversification Excellence Award The purpose is to promote racial and gender diversity along with superior professional practices in the construction industry For information, call (313) 964-2662, or visit the Web at www.glcca cc

CAREER OPEN HOUSE

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BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail
Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737 4477 for details

Office vacancies result in rent cuts

Rising unemployment rates resulted in increased sublease space and slowed growth in metro Detroit's office market at year end 2001, according to Grubb & Ellis Research in Southfield That's bad news for owners, good news for tenants

Local unemployment numbers and sublease activity mirror the health of the economy and are considered accurate barometers of the commercial real estate industry Available subleases here increased to 1.6 million square feet in the fourth quarter versus 582,400 square feet in the fourth quarter of 2000, the report says

"Many companies have gone out of business, some have merged and others are downsizing and simply no longer need the same amount of office space," said Valerie Vindici, research service manager for Grubb and Ellis, a

commercial real estate specialist In Southfield, the report indicated, the fourth quarter office vacancy rate almost doubled to 12.2 percent from 6.9 percent last year

Holding its claim as the largest submarket in southeastern Michigan, Southfield's vacancy rate closely shadows Michigan's unemployment rate — both grew to double digits from single numbers in the last year, Grubb & Ellis reported

However, additional sublease space and increased vacancies in prime markets mean lower prices for those in the market for office space While there was no real rise in office vacancies, there were no real gains in rates Asking rents increased to \$27.55 from \$27.19 per square foot, but landlord incentives offset any rise in rates, Vindici said

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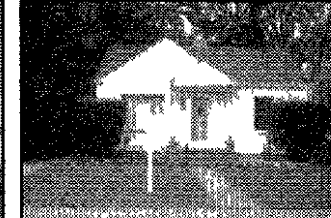





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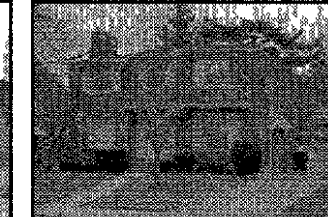
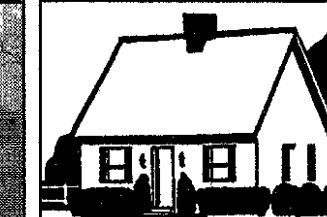












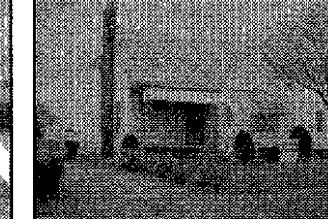
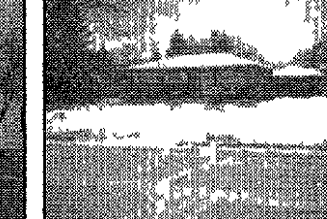

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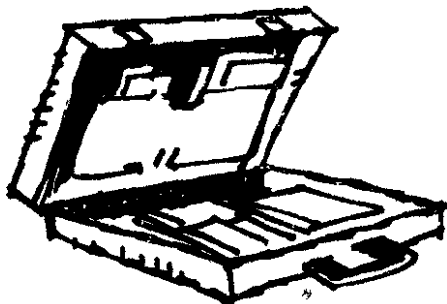
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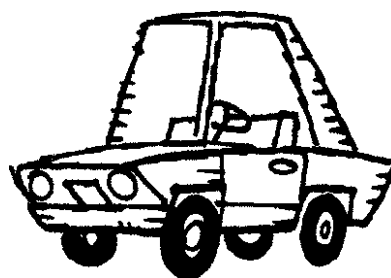
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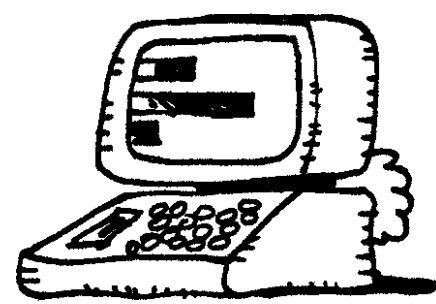
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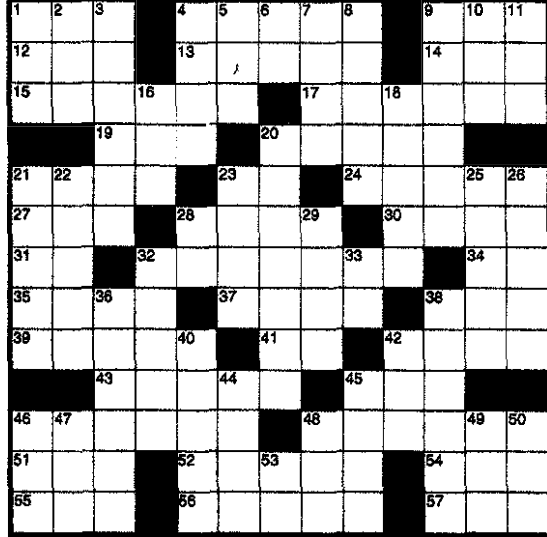
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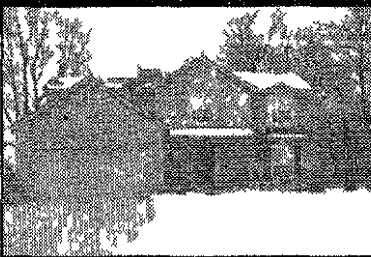
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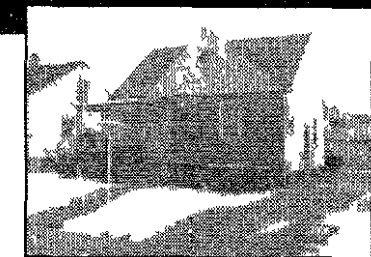
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Valley Park sub! Desirable sub in Dearborn Heights! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath brick Ranch with finished basement block windows and gas fireplace Neutral decor and carpet Cedar deck with Cal Spa 2 car garage Crestwood schools \$169 900 (31ROS) 734 455 5600



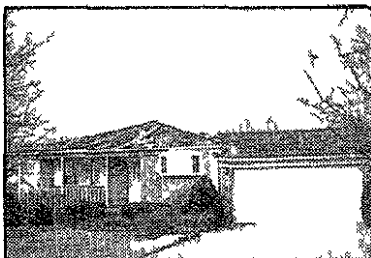
FARMINGTON - Private backs to woods! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial is located on a beautiful setting on end of street X model with library walk out basement first floor laundry gourmet kitchen with island and all appliances Family room with gas fireplace \$479 900 (50WOO) 248 349 5600



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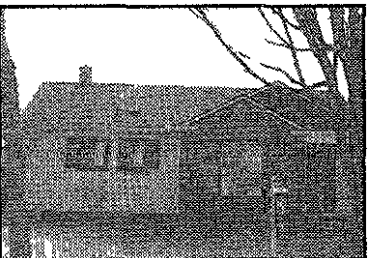
LINCOLN PARK - Great starter home! Three bedroom home with updates Large master bedroom hardwood floors in living room Pergo style floor in kitchen oak cabinets newer furnace central air water heater 2 1/2 car garage vinyl sided & fenced yard \$117 900 (53MON) 248 349 5600



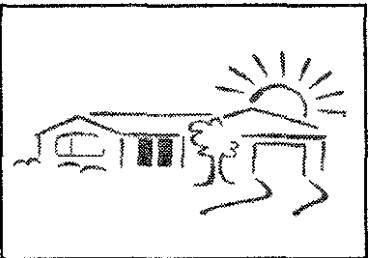
PLYMOUTH - Discover this! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch! Newer kitchen & roof Air conditioning & furnace 8 years finished basement with fieldstone fireplace Lower room with 3 closets Large drywalled garage Great deck Hardwood floors \$210 000 (31BAL) 734 455 5600



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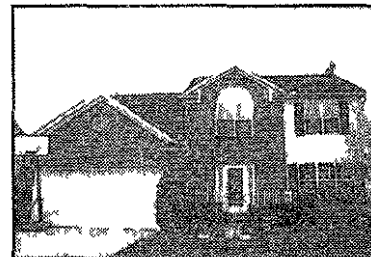
OAK PARK - Great price for this three bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch with hardwood Florida room & large rooms Needs some TLC and updating \$124 900 (20WES) 248 349 5600



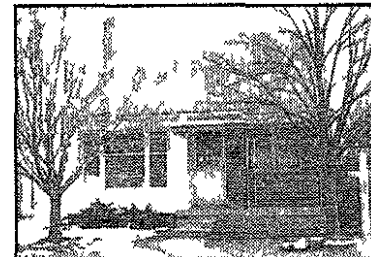
NORTHVILLE - Walk to downtown from this updated Colonial! Refinished hardwood floors with newer vinyl in foyer & kitchen Updated kitchen with newer appliances Family room with fireplace & Pergo flooring Newer hot water heater vinyl windows One year home warranty \$239 900 (12ELY) 248 349 5600



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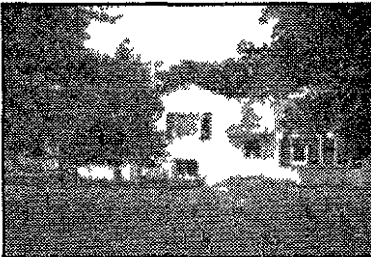
REDFORD - Best Bungalow! Sharp three bedroom brick newer vinyl windows aluminum trim & maintenance free exterior Wet plaster & coved ceilings in living room Updated kitchen with Pergo floors Finished rec room in basement \$121 900 (02LEN) 734 455 5600

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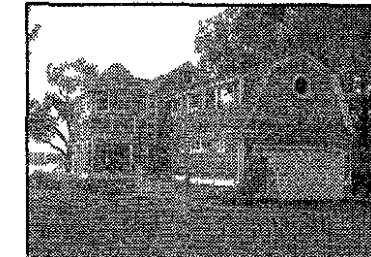
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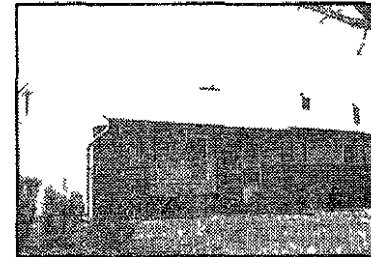
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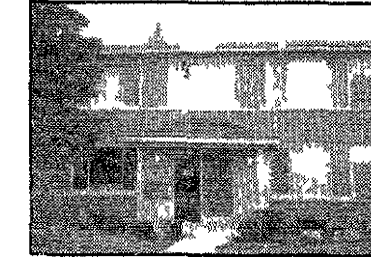
LIVONIA - Well maintained Ranch! Livonia with Livonia schools! Offers 3 bedrooms & living room with hardwood floors under carpeting Updated spacious kitchen Newer windows & furnace Central air & central vac Part finished basement \$159 900 (45CAR) 734 455 5600



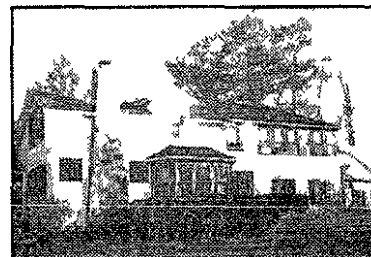
CANTON - Super sharp! Three bedroom Condo in popular sub! Private entry & maintenance free! Neutral colors Finished basement with work bench & ample storage Updates kitchen bath roof windows carpet floors & hot water heater \$129 900 (06NEW) 734 455 5600



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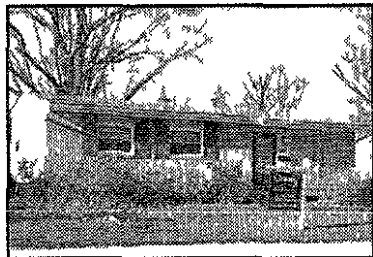
BIRMINGHAM - Exquisite upper unit Condo! Neutral bright & open with updated kitchen baths and hardwood floors Newer windows furnace hot water heater with extra insulation between walls Two bedrooms 1 1/2 baths with carpet & common basement \$149 900 (45DER) 248 349 5600



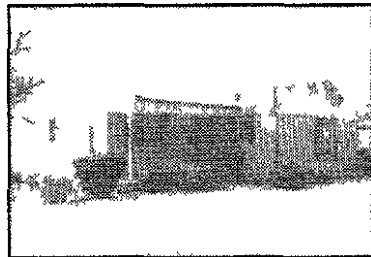
FARMINGTON HILLS - Sprngbrook farm house! Four spacious bedrooms 1 1/2 remodeled baths plaster walls hardwood floors a lot of windows Natural fireplace Two story building could be guest house Prime land with stream next door to park! \$270 000 (00DRA) 734 455 5600



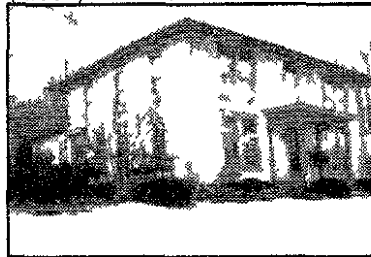
HOWELL - Better than new! Built in 2000 and backs to open park area! Hardwood foyer bay window in living room and formal dining room Kitchen with oak cabinets pantry and appliances Breakfast nook with deck to doorwall Family room with vaulted ceiling \$227 500 (19OAK) 734 455 5600



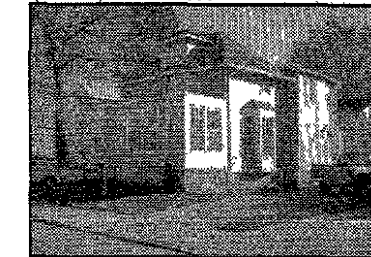
PLYMOUTH - Different floor plan! Three bedroom 2 bath brick Ranch with newer kitchen hardwood floors dining room Newer (99) 2 car garage Vinyl siding newer windows (all but the front) Finished basement Large living room \$164 900 (81SHE) 734 455 5600



LIVONIA - Unbeatable Ranch in Livonia Stevenson area This 1976 built home has 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths & finished basement Oversized fenced lot Immediate possession & a whole lot more Priced for immediate sale so hurry \$167 500 (75SUN) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE - Elegant 1870 Colonial! Change in our lives is inevitable and yet we strive to create things that last A comfortable and beautiful home that brings happiness and fulfillment 4 bedrooms 3 baths gourmet kitchen with Corian family room library and 3 car garage \$685 000 (35CEN) 248 349 5600



ROYAL OAK - Own a piece of history! 1916 totally updated Enclosed porch greets you and all the charm will keep you Newer windows electrical roof carpet and ceramic throughout Three bedrooms and 2 full baths \$175 900 (02CHA) 248 349 5600



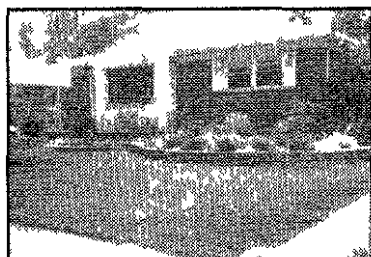
GARDEN CITY - Wonderful home! North Garden City Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath Ranch with newer windows roof & hot water heater Beautiful oak kitchen with hardwood floors under Roof stripped 01 & finished basement with wet bar \$158 900 (45GOL) 734 455 5600



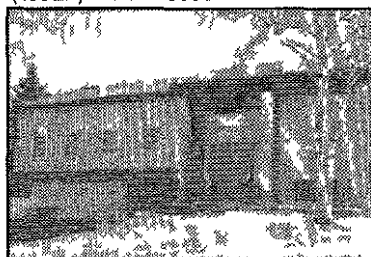
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Spacious Ranch! Two (3) bedroom Ranch 2 bath Newer kitchen with oak cabinets & island Newer carpet furnace siding gutters & copper plumbing Seller will consider converting back to 3 bedrooms \$159 999 (09PAR) 734 455 5600



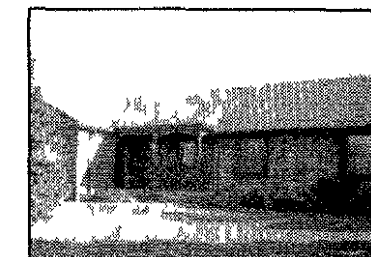
DEARBORN - Beautiful & Updated! Close to Ford Woods Park Spacious living room and formal dining room Newly carpeted throughout Newer vinyl windows and roof Ceramic bath completely redone Bright cherry kitchen with newer floor and appliances \$100 000 (30STE) 734 455 5600



OAK PARK - Sharp updated Ranch! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath well maintained home with sun porch & finished basement Newer roof & windows Hardwood under carpet Nicely landscaped \$149 900 (41MEA) 248 349 5600



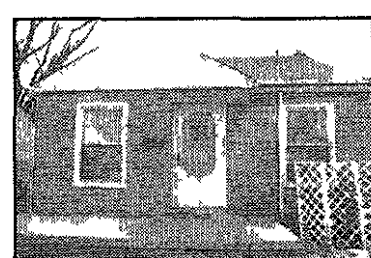
NOVI - Spacious Village Oaks 4 bedroom 2 bath B level with gorgeous oak floors throughout living dining room foyer & stairs Kitchen has oak cabinets large picture windows & ceramic floor All newer windows & doorwall Active neighborhood association with pool lake & park \$229 900 (12SHE) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Adult Condo on Crooked Lake! Ranch style with garage and 2 full baths Clean and neutral ready to move into and enjoy the easy life \$125 000 (52CAM) 248 349 5600



REDFORD - Look no further! Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath brick Bungalow Absolutely beautiful! Sparkling remodeled kitchen finished hardwood floors elegant dining room finished basement with rec room and half bath Newer furnace central air and much more! \$134 900 (84INK) 734 455 5600



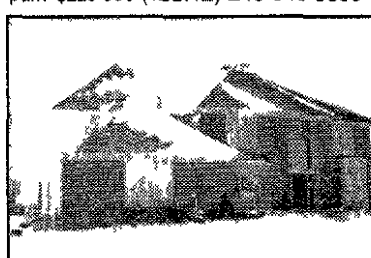
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Absolute doll house! Perfect starter home with many updates! Roof 97 windows 95 central air steel door & storms interior doors and bath Newer built 2 car garage with electric Finished basement Private fenced yard \$99 999 (17PEN) 734 455 5600



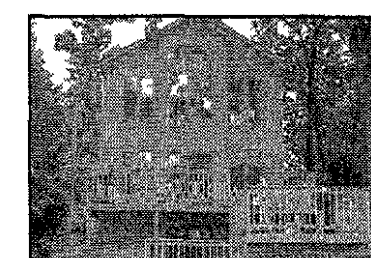
CANTON - Over 1900 square feet! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial with open floor plan of family room kitchen and dining combo enhanced with fireplace Formal living room 1989 built with decor of recent paint and carpet foyer tile floor and landscaped lot \$234 800 (62VAS) 734 455 5600



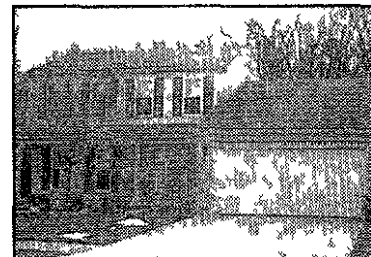
REDFORD - Excellent value! Three bedroom 2 bath Ranch with updated kitchen neutral decor and finished basement with stone fireplace and bar Patio and screened in porch Newer roof and windows \$145 900 (30TEC) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Rarely found quality! Every thing is top of the line! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath 3+ car garage Large open plan with 2 story great room 2 way fireplace Extensive hardwood first floor laundry finished basement with play room Custom upgrades Pro landscaped in private yard \$484 900 (49POP) 248 349 5600



HARTLAND - Lakefront home! Three bedroom 3 bath Lake Tyrone beauty with gorgeous view Too much to list Sky lights first floor laundry great finished walk out with family room 4 car garage with unfinished lot 2x6 construction \$349 900 (60BUL) 248 349 5600



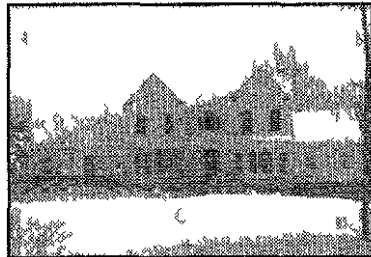
WESTLAND - Curb appeal plus! Premium lot backs to nature preserve! Newer entry doors formal dining with bay window updated kitchen with newer counters sink & m/cro! 16x12 sun room with sliding door to wrap around deck Livonia schools \$235 900 (71JER) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Private wooded lot! Enjoy your privacy! Numerous updates white kitchen updated baths vinyl windows roof (with n 1 year) & central air Open floor plan & fireplace! Neutral decor \$215 000 (32RAI) 734 455 5600



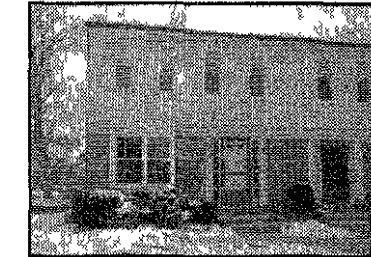
PLYMOUTH - Sharp 3 bedroom in Plymouth! Beautiful Colonial within walking distance of downtown Plymouth! Three bedroom 2 1/2 bath Updated kitchen newer roof most appliances stay Large family room with fireplace Large cul de sac lot! \$267 900 (03WAV) 734 455 5600



NOVI - Country living in city! Custom built Cape Cod features 5 bedrooms with a master on first floor den full daylight basement 3 car garage on over an acre size lot Covered porch Northville mailing & schools Home sits on 2 separate lots \$569 900 (14WYN) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Almost new 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath Colonial on premium lot that backs to nature preserve Finished basement with full bath White euro kitchen with extended counter & neutral decor \$285 000 (11OAK) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Award winning schools! Three bedroom 2 1/2 bath Condo with part finished basement living family & dining area Newer kitchen Updates windows central air furnace hot water heater & carpet End unit with patio Ample parking Pool & club house \$157 900 (47BAS) 248 349 5600

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LIKE NEW! Neutral decor gourmet kit cherry cab granite cnts 2 way FP in GR & brkfst nook 1st fl mstr lib w/cath clngs frml DR 3 BR plus loft 2.5 bths 3 car gar (H16725)

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UNWIND IN YOUR UPDATED 3 BR RANCH, enjoy cozy winter nights by the FP or warm summers nights by the pool! One showing and consider this one sold! (M19918)

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PLYMOUTH \$229,900
2 UNIT INCOME Rent one live in the other 3 BR in upper & 2 in lower unit Old World Charm has been preserved throughout Basement & garage Great investment! (N1051)

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CHARMING HOME! Located in Historic Milford Village! Lg foyer w/oak pillars opens to LR w/frpl oak flooring formal DR & many updates (35UN12)

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STERLING HEIGHTS \$202,000
DON'T MISS THIS ONE! Immaculate Brick Ranch w/open floor plan Neutral decor many updates secluded fenced yard with in ground pool backs to woods (18MAR2)

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VAN BUREN TWP \$199,900
FIND THE GOOD THINGS IN LIFE In this 3 bedroom 2 year old Colonial w/Fam Rm Living Rm formal Din Rm finished basement 1st floor laundry 2 car attd gar C/A paver patio with footings (G447)

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WAYNE \$195,607
MODELS OPEN 11-5 DAILY New construction with 4 ready to go! 5 lg BR FR GR den 2 full baths 2 car attd gar lg kit dining area Prices start at \$179 900 (V34460)

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CANTON \$189,500
SUPERB LOCATION! A strong sense of shelter in this all brick ranch home at the end of the street Many quality upgrades Plymouth/Canton schools (23R39614)

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LIVONIA \$179,900
SUPER CLEAN RANCH with FR & half bath off master BR Newly painted and new carpet open floor plan and great curb appeal (42WES2)

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PLYMOUTH \$179,900
THIS 1761 SQ FT CONDO offers 2 BR w/private baths a vaulted ceiling w/3 skylights beautiful fp white kitchen 1st flr laundry 2 car garage Make this home a good buy! (D49714)

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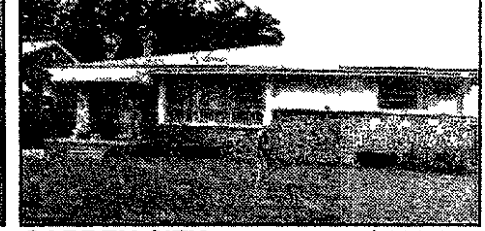
LIVONIA \$159,900
WELCOME HOME to this well maintained 3 BR 1.5 bath brick ranch! Loaded w/updates roof wndws hwh furn a/c & more! Not to mention the finished basement w/wet bar (S10050)

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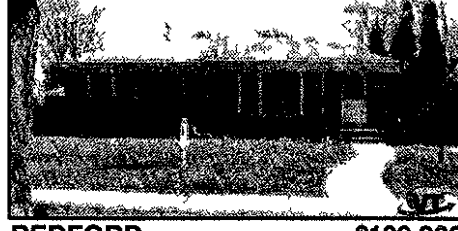
WAYNE \$142,900
BEAUTY, WARMTH, & VALUE 3 bedroom 2 baths (one is a master bath) open floor plan oak kitchen built in 1996 2 car attd garage decks off front and rear of home (A324)

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GARDEN CITY \$139,900
TOP OF YOUR LIST This lovely 3 bedroom Ranch should be Finished basement for entertaining Many new updates and improvements Great location and available to move right in (S673)

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REDFORD \$139,900
IN ONE OF REDFORD'S FINEST NEIGHBORHOODS What a price for 1325 sq ft! New furnace c/a & wndws great bsmt w/wet bar Walk to elemen schools Bring your decorating ideas & make this house your home! (T9136)

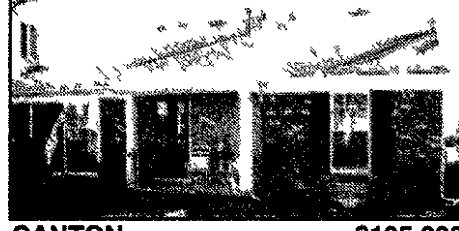
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LIVONIA \$139,900
JUST LISTED! Updated 1400 sq ft 3 BR ranch on oversized fenced lot Family rm w/FP lg kitchen w/adorable bayed nook & attached garage Move in condition (L18903)

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CANTON \$135,000
IMMACULATE CONDO! End unit brick ranch with updated kit Wallside windows tripic deck w/gas grill freshly painted and new carpeting A must see!! (23N41316)

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HARRISON \$129,900
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SOUTH LYON \$119,900
BRING YOUR BOAT & MOVE RIGHT IN! Lake access & dock facility on all sports Whitmore Lake Updated ranch w/open floor living rm w/FP 2 car garage & fenced yard (B9157)

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LIVONIA \$119,900
GREAT PRICE & LOCATION! Maintenance free 3 BR ranch front in Livonia Newer windows shingles elect & c/a 2 car garage shed enormous deck Nicely landscaped w/sprinklers (P14962)

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WESTLAND \$109,900
EXCELLENT VALUE IN GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD! 3 bedroom brick Ranch w/2 car garage Central air awesome deck in a great big back yard Close to shopping schools and churches Great starter home!! (345J)

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WESTLAND \$105,000
GREAT STARTER HOME! You can move right into this 2 bdrm ranch w/bsmt LR DR kit all appliances stay Enclosed front porch and deck in the back Enjoy the deep backyard! (23S2514)

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DETROIT \$105,000
WEST VILLAGE HOME Classic 3 story Colon al with basement natural fireplace formal dining room updated kitchen and bath 4 year old furnace and hot water heater (S180)

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INKSTER \$99,990
BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION 3 bdrm 2 walk in closets 2 baths open floor plan Oak raised panel cabinets w/lazy susan pull out shelves snack bar Vinyl windows 6 panel interior doors (H300)

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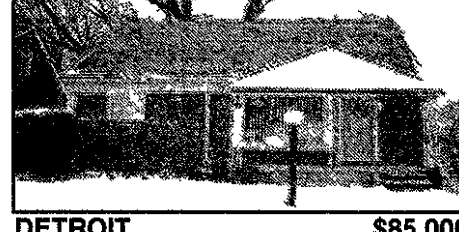
REDFORD \$94,900
3 BR RANCH IN REDFORD! New roof windows dishwasher and water heater Cove ceilings wet plaster walls full bsmt & detached garage (05BEE2)

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DETROIT \$87,500
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BIG BROWN EYES I am stunning classy smart financially secure 52 early 40s slim and curvaceous non smoker upbeat, honest. Looking for mutual respect I like tennis working out travel boating sunbath BOX 13446

TWO HEARTS AS ONE African Amer female 57 135 lbs brown eyes and shoulder length black hair Seeking a single white male at least 61 who is intelligent respectful good morals and values good sense of humor BOX 13468

DEEPLY IN LOVE Petite very spiritual mom 39 pet with good sense of humor out going who enjoys dancing theatre and nature. Seeking 35-50 very attractive, smart, honest, respectful, positive gentleman who is successful, respectful sensitive and with out pets to start a magical friendship Oakland County BOX 13463

LET'S EAT LUNCH Attractive w/ the professional male seeks professional old divorced male 43 to 50 for casual relationship I like reading hiking golf course home owner BOX 13469

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ACTIVE ITALIAN A divorced white female seeks a single white male who likes to laugh and is open to friendship. Single white male Wayne County BOX 3

KINK HONEST MAN 29 old single mother of two 5'10 135 lbs. Seeking a single white male 30 to 40 who is honest and financially stable. Wayne County BOX 35954

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FIRST TIME AD Educated well traveled loving professional single female 52 med build non smoker. Enjoys conversation music travel quiet times and theater. Seeking refined gentlemen 50-70 for friendship. Oakland County BOX 35999

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JACQUELINE SMITH m to d office that I resemble her and Jack Kennedy. Big blue eyes Auburn hair great smile very classy looking 56 mother high energy person. Loves water boating fishing traveling. Seeking non smoking gentleman 59 plus 48 to 58 with similar interests. Macomb County BOX 27021

NEW BEGINNINGS Single white female 47 54 176 lbs never married 3 grown children who enjoys candlelight dinners movies homebody seeking black male 49 to 52 for dating and possible relationship. Wayne County BOX 27024

ATTRACTIVE BRUNETTE Outgoing petite and ve in Plymouth. Looking for an attractive non smoker single white male 48 to 58 who is trustworthy emotionally intelligent a secure with no dependents. Someone with a job in the Wayne County BOX 27026

30 SOMETHING Degreed attractive single black female 36 st an back descent looks marriage minded and loves Seinfeld. Desires single Christian professional male who is healthy degreed 5'10 plus 30 to 37 preferably single in Macomb County. BOX 27028

LOVELY BUT LOVELY Tall slender attractive romantic lady seeks honest loyal romantic flexible gentleman that is 55 plus over 5'10 and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Oak and County BOX 27034

PERKY CAT Divorced white female 55 with a bit of extra fulling work on ccs. I enjoy walking by water boating handi work sunsets laughing together and respect for one another. Seeking a gentleman 50 or over 5'10 non smoker honest divorced or divorced to share a life. BOX 13219

SIMILAR INTERESTS? 41 yr old 57 white female enjoys going to the movies or staying at home watching movies. Seeking a single white male who is intelligent and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Oak and County BOX 13215

SEEK REAL/CARING MAN Attractive 44 yr old single white female 5'10 135 lbs. Seeking a single white male who is honest and financially stable. Wayne County BOX 26955

LADY WITH PIZZAZZ Elegant attractive slender fun romantic lady enjoys golf tennis boating dancing and more. Seeking special fun gentleman 59 or over 5'10 non smoker honest and loyal. BOX 36009

MOTOWN GAL Looking for a kind sincere single or divorced male 48 to 60 non smoker long term monogamous relationship. I am 51 divorced female. I love Motown disc and classic car. I believe in romance. Oakland County BOX 14471

SEEKS PERFECT MATE Attractive 50+ widow fun loving physiotherapy. Seeking male desiring a single white male who is a mountain hiking skiing swimming dancing dining out family cooking quiet evenings closeness. Seeking a single white male 50 or over 5'10 non smoker honest and loyal. BOX 36009

PRETTY ENTREPRENEUR Giving loving compassionate curly hair single white female 50s. Seeking a single white male who is honest and financially stable. Wayne County BOX 26955

TOP QUALITY ONLY European born 56 petite blonde hair and eyes. Seeking a single white male who is honest and financially stable. Wayne County BOX 26955

CUTE AND CLASSY Single black female 41 mid 50s enjoys jogging concerts and walks in the park. Seeking a gentleman over 50 with similar interests. Oakland County BOX 26955

BUBBLY & CLASSY Intelligent 65 56 brown eyed blonde passionate about life and laughing enjoys golf biking theater boating and great conversations. Interested in meeting tall 50 to 58 financially/emotionally stable gentleman with a similar interest. Oakland County BOX 27010

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY Well traveled educated loving professional female 62 seeking a sophisticated Christian man 62 to 72 who can also be down to earth. Interests are classical music art appreciation world events and travel. Comorltona. Oakland County BOX 35911

GEMINI GIRL Single white female 47 slender blonde hair hazel eyes enjoys golf swimming boating people. Seeking a single white male 42 to 50 who is genuine down to earth stable to dating possible long term relationship. Wayne County BOX 35933

SEEKS SOULMATE Divorced black female 39 brown complexion full figure. Seeking her soulmate. We are both honest head strong people who enjoy the same things such as bowling out door activities sports jazz and family oriented. Wayne County BOX 35942

SEARCHING SOUL MATE Single white female 38 250 lbs outgoing for a single white male 38 40 likes dining out bowling and quiet evenings at home someone with the same interests. Oakland County BOX 35944

SEEKING ITALIAN Petite white female 53 51 128 lbs brown hair and eyes non smoker attractive talkative good sense of humor. Seeking gentleman 60 to 66 non smoker sharing the things in life we both enjoy especially travel. BOX 36003

TIRED OF GAMES Attractive divorced white female 51 54 long reddish hair smoker. Seeking gentleman 45 to 65 with a sense of humor for dinner (home cooked) moves quickly time and fun relationship. Oakland County BOX 36013

A NEW BEGINNING Divorced quality lady light hair blue eyes. I am personally med build very versatile enjoys all activities conversational travel. Seeking tall male 6'5 plus 60 plus for friendship companion. Oakland County BOX 36017

FIRST TIME AD Divorced white female 47 looking for an honest trustworthy caring male 40 to 55 interests are paying for a car, family dancing camping fishing and boating. Possible relationship. Oakland County BOX 36021

FOR CHUBBY CHASERS Single black professional female full figured bright and active in search of single male any race who is mature and affectionate for friendship. Wayne County BOX 36023

ONE IN A MILLION Nov very attractive white female 54 young looking 50 great shape. Seeking good looking 46 to 55 single white male with no dependents. Honest easygoing non smoker. Emotionally intelligent. Oakland County BOX 27034

WILL CALL YOU BACK Single white professional male 44 58 and 180 lbs honest fun loving and easy going. Enjoy camping swimming long walks dining out movies and more. Seeking a female who is honest and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Oakland County BOX 13430

SWEET LITTLE NOTES Divorced white male 6 200 lbs blonde hair and hazel eyes. Seeking a single white female 38 to 45 who is down to earth and enjoys the simple things in life. For a possible relationship. Wayne County BOX 27006

GENTLEMANS TOUCH with a strong shoulder to lean on. Non smoking single white male 43 kind considerate romantic seeks suitable lady companion. BOX 32579

HONEST Tall divorced white male 64 good physical condition 56 non smoker self employed. Seeking a single white female who is honest and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Oakland County BOX 26954

CALL ME Divorced professional white male late 40s 5'10 195 lbs seeks a lady who likes music dancing driving. Non smoker or basic things who is compatible pleasant easy going. Thanks BOX 12949

LET'S HAVE DINNER! 6 and 190 lb male handsome friendly professional conversation professional who enjoys travel romantic dinners and more. Seeking a female for friendship possibly later. BOX 13229

CELEBRATE LIFE White male single 155 lbs 5'11 tall brown hair. I like ice skating music bicycling live music or movies. Seeking white female 35-65. BOX 13035

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ARE YOU LOOKING FOR Attractive honest big hearted white non abusive robust man. Active secure widowed and lone someone you're under 60 attractive slender and sexy call me. Wayne County BOX 33735

LONESOME MAN Im white widowed attractive light hearted well built enjoy all the good things in life. Looking for an attractive well built lady under 59 for possible permanent relationship. Dearborn Wayne County BOX 35956

HANDSOME IRON WORKER 5'11 male with mustache 180 lbs seeks female 40 to 50 slender to average build who is interested in travel dinners movies quiet times at home. Casual boating and more. Call interested. BOX 12370

CONSIDER THIS AD 66 yr old Greek male 59 a professional never married and no children enjoys listening to nice music swimming org work and travel. Seeking a single white female who is honest and open who can give me back the same thing. BOX 15388

ITS YOUR MOVE 38 yrs of age looking for a single white female 30-35. Like movies shooting pool playing chess. BOX 12937

DOWN TO EARTH MAN 39 yr old 6 and 200 lbs nice looking and down to earth male easy to get along with and loves animals. I am non smoker and a non drinker. Seeking a special female with same qualities to enjoy life with. BOX 13390

WARM AND SINCERE Heart of gold 5'6 160 lbs white male no children financially secure and easy going. Enjoys outdoor activities dining out movies romantic evenings. Seeking a single white female who is honest and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Wayne County BOX 33727

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THANKS FOR YOUR TIME 6 200 lbs black male easy going down to earth enjoy people dining out quality time sense of humor good conversation and great sense of humor. Seeking a single white female attractive and with a beautiful hair. BOX 12971

STILL ROCKIN White male 47 59 165 lbs. Seeking a single white female who is honest and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Wayne County BOX 12971

A GEEK REQUEST 55 yr old GEEK male a business man 59 never married and no children enjoys travel and listening to music. Hope to find a tall light skinned lady interested in living both countries for marriage and a family. BOX 13007

HOLY SMOKES White Christian male 32 easygoing honest professional divorced. Seeking a single white female who is honest and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. BOX 13010

IT TAKES TWO Single white male 49 54 135 lbs mustache. Wayne County. Easygoing sincere humorous like bowling golf dining out day trips. Seeking a woman with similar interests and qualities. BOX 13024

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I SEE THE HEART 42 5'6 165 lbs brown blue Canton area. Like swimming camping walks dining out etc. Seeking an easy going woman to get to know. Not hung up on looks. BOX 13402

I BELIEVE I CAN FLY Handsome successful professional 5'11 160 lbs. Seeking a single white female who is honest and fun to be with. Lets start as friends. Oakland County BOX 35928

TIRED OF BEING ALONE Im your man. Hard working divorced white male 49 58 175 lbs. Seeking easy going and intelligent single white female in her 40s for a possible long term relationship. Im willing to hear from you. Dearborn Area Wayne County BOX 36011

GRIT IT FROM THERE! Grit single male 47 165 lbs 59 brown hair seeking long term relationship with a lady in early 40s who is a hard worker and a live in mom. I like to have an area and will call you back. BOX 10746

ARE YOU OUT THERE? Single black male west side of Detroit own my home. Seeking down to earth lady attractive 30 to 45 for possible relationship. Enjoys music sports romance sharing and communication. Oakland County BOX 13092

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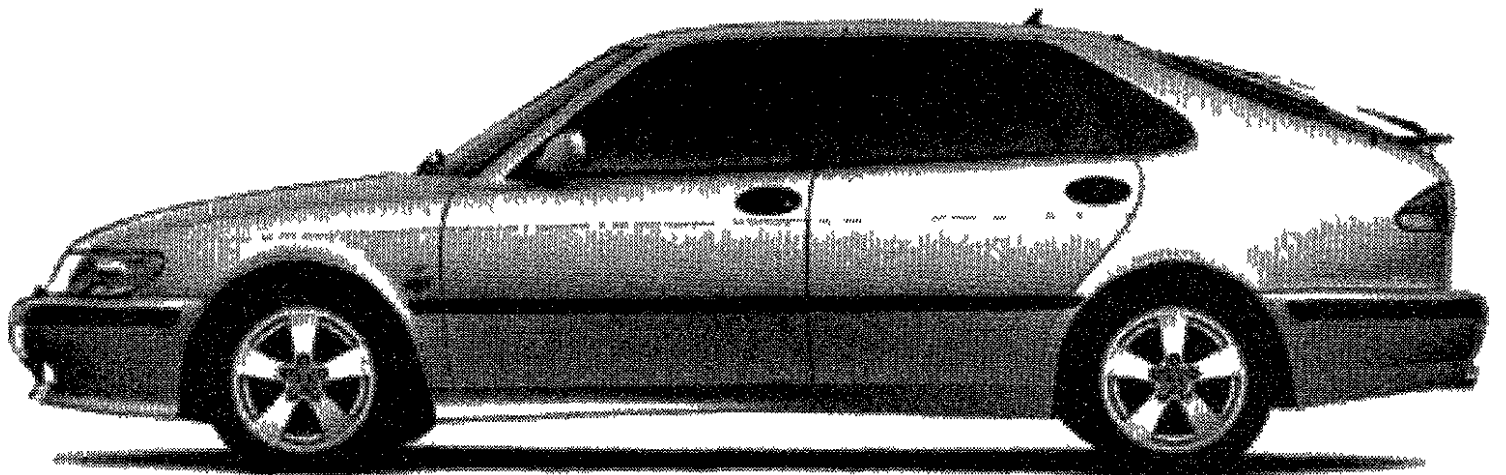
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