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Powerful women: The newest exhibit at the University of Michigan Museum of Art - Women Who Ruled: Queens, Goddesses, Amazons 1500-1650 - documents the struggle of women to attain respect in areas normally reserved for men./**B1**

All together now: *Ply*mouth Symphony Orchestra joins the Plymouth Oratorio Society, Eastern Michigan University Choir and Plymouth Counsellors Chorale to present the Beethoven's Ninth Symphony March 16, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth./B1

ATHOME

Atmosphere: Step into Hal Brenner's immaculate condo and enter a world of Native American decor sprinkled with upscale Southwestern accents./C1

Going to the dogs: Cobo

Teacher talks set for early May

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe homecomm net

The Plymouth-Canton Education Association and Plymouth-Canton Schools will begin bargaining on a new contract the first week of May

"It will be an earlier start than normal, and that's encouraging," said Chuck Portelli, president of the 1,000member PCEA "I think both sides want to resolve things in a different fashion The last contract was a begin

ning, and this will be a continuation " Portelli was referring to interestbased bargaining Traditional contract discussions have each side sitting across the table from each other, exchanging proposals, then discussing strategy in separate rooms Interestbased bargaining allows for each side to bring issues to the bargaining table, where they are discussed openly and

resolved to mutual satisfaction Both bargaining teams attended a seminar earlier this year to learn the

intricacies of interest-based bargaining They'll receive more training March 25-27 at the Plymouth Hilton Inn with two facilitators, one representing labor and the other management, before contract bargaining begins

When we were learning at the first session, they told us most districts generally need more training But, they told us Plymouth-Canton was ready to go," said Ray Bihun, the district's executive director of human resources

"However, we'll get a bit more training, and include some of our other unions

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The PCEA and school administration set the tone for interest-based bargaining last year when they agreed to a one-year contract extension, which expires Aug 31

There were a lot of issues, last time, that we didn't bring to the table," said Portelli "We limited ourselves, but this time we'll look at a lot of different issues "

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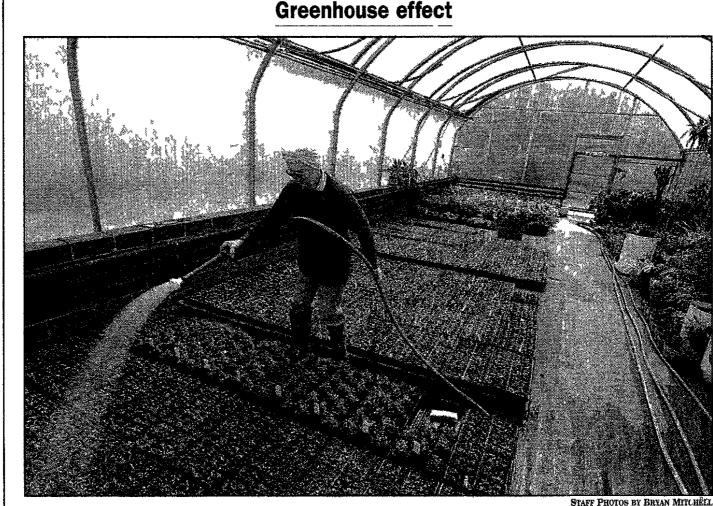
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The Plymouth Township Board of Trustees Tuesday approved spending \$12,000 to correct mistakes made in cashing out four former employees vested in the township's pension plan

All four were full-time employees at the time of their departure, and were paid based on their full-time employ ment However, it was discovered later the vesting for all four had been miscalculated, since previous part-time employment hadn't been taken into consideration The four left township employment between 1997 and 2000

According to the township's pension plan with Manufacturer's Life Insurance Company, employees are eligible for the employer's portion of the plan based on years of service



Growing up with plants: 86-yearold Sylvia Graye has worked at Grayes Greenhouse, which her father started at Joy and Lilley, all her life The greenhouse

Hall will be going to the dogs when the Detroit Kennel Club holds its annual benched dog show this weekend. /C5

La-la-la: The road trips were long and the paperwork was overwhelming, but Dorothy Davenport was glad to tackle the project, if it would let 100 women keep on singing./C5

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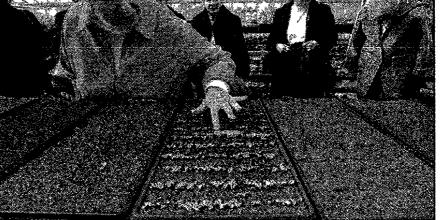
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played host to a "Walk Into Spring" event for the Plymouth Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Club Monday. The group toured the greenhouse with Alice Humphrey, who pointed out the shamrocks in bloom She also, gave gardening tips and advice (Left) Garden Club member Maureen Armstrong peeks at some plant seedlings that will grow into Festive Dance Coleus.



The vesting was miscalculated because their part-time service wasn't computed correctly," township personnel chief Joann Coobatis said

According to Coobatis, the glitch was caused during a time when former township supervisor Kathleen Keen McCarthy and finance director Rosemary Harvey administered the township's pension plan Manufacturer's Life's only participation was paying the claims as directed by the plan administrator, usually Harvey, according to Coobatis

In February 2001, the township

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City sets parameters for new DDA director pick

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

Plymouth's next Downtown Development Authority director will be responsible to both the city manager and the downtown merchant's group

That's the consensus after a meeting Tuesday between representatives of the DDA and a three-member city commission committee

"The DDA director will be an at-will employee of the city, under the management of the city manager, but directed by the board of directors of the DDA," said Commissioner Phil Pursell

"The person will be a liaison between the city and DDA, and will open a better line of communication between downtown and the city

Both the DDA and city commissioners are hoping that putting the DDA director under the general supervision of both entities will cut down on communication problems, especially during downtown city events

"We've got to have someone who is the liaison, or ombudsman, for the merchants to be part of our overall (event) planning process, which has been absent in the past," said City Manager Paul Sincock "Situations can be resolved if a merchant has direct contact with someone who is in contact with whoever is running that particular event

The new DDA director will attend city department head meetings and develop relationships with department heads, which will help expedite solutions to problems

"Going to department head meetings will facilitate getting things done with the Department of Municipal Services, police and fire during events like the Ice Spectacular and Art in the Park," Pursell said "If there are problems, the DDA director will be able to get

solutions to the problems right now, instead of sending a memo to (Sincock), and then another memo to the department head

The DDA began looking for a new director after Melanie Purcell announced in January she's leaving to become the budget director for the city of Flint Her employment contract with the Plymouth DDA expires Sunday Purcell was hired by the DDA three years ago at an annual salary of \$50,000 She leaves earning \$62,000 City officials said the starting salary for the new DDA director has yet to be determined

Sign of the times Township OKs money for entrances

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

Residents and visitors unclear about what municipality they're in are due a little help, courtesy the Plymouth Township Board

The board Tuesday night approved spending some \$50,000 on new entry signs welcoming people into the township Signs will be placed at approximately 15 points around the township The board approved the purchase of 11 of those signs Tuesday at a cost not to exceed \$4,859 apiece

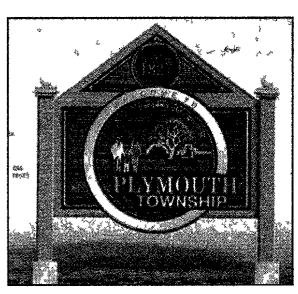
The sign was designed by Mt Clemens artist A J Bellomo

Much of the discussion centered around where the signs should be posted, and what kind of sign should be used at each location Three kinds of signs will eventually be ordered - two large ones to sit at the east and west entrances to the township along the Ann Arbor Road corridor, 11 large cedar signs and a couple of smaller metal signs

The two major signs were designed by township resident Jim Karell, a member of the planning commission Township engineer Mike Bailey is putting together the specifications and expects to go out for bid on them in the next couple of months

Those signs will be placed along Ann Arbor Road at I-275 and at Napier The cedar signs, which measure roughly 5 5 feet x 7 5 feet, will be placed around the township's bor-

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Welcome home: Plymouth Township officials will put up 11 of these signs around the townships borders

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3rd hopeful jumps into race for 35th District Court seat

By TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER tbruscato@oe.homecomm net

The field is starting to get crowded for the third judge seat in Plymouth's 35th District Court, which was approved by the state legislature and signed into law by Gov John Engler

Karen Woodside assistant Wayne County prosecutor and former Northville Township supervisor, has thrown her hat into the ring, declaring her can didacy for the August primary

Two other candidates have announced their intentions to run for the third judgeship Plymouth attorney Eric Colthurst, a part-time magistrate at 35th District Court, and Mike Gerou, a Plymouth attorney

The state House and Senate passed a version of House Bill 4788 Dec 13, adding a third judge to the court

The bill, introduced by Rep Bruce Patterson (R-Canton Township), was signed signed



Karen Woodside

into law by Engler Jan 9 For nearly a decade, 35th District Court judges have been seeking a third judge to help with the growing caseload

Figures released by the court show judges John MacDonald and Ron Lowe each handle an average of 22,389 cases a year

That compares to the statewide average of 12,763 per district court judge

To help alleviate the problem, 35th District Court has been using a visiting judge and parttime magistrate to handle cases

Candidates seeking the posi tion must submit between 600 and 1,000 petition signatures of registered voters within the dis trict, which includes the cities of Plymouth and Northville, as well as the townships of Plymouth, Canton and Northville

The signatures must be gathered between March 22 and April 30, the date petitions must be turned over to state elections officials, in order for a candidate's name to be put on the ballot

The primary election is Tues day, Aug 6, with the two candidates who receive the most votes facing off in the November general election

Spring sale

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce sponsors a two day "Spring into Plymouth" sale among Plymouth-area retailers March 22-23

The idea behind the sale is to promote local retailers and provide area shoppers with the opportunity for bargains at their favorite downtown merchants

"You'll be able to find everything you need to freshen up your home, inside and out," said Fran Toney the chamber s executive director

For information on participating stores and other details, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540

Glass exhibit

Native West of Plymouth sponsors, "The Nature of Glass," its second-annual April Glass Exhibit April 1-30

Native West will feature two artists Michael Storey uses a combination of bronze and blown glass for his creations, among them diving whales on a glass ocean wave, sea turtles moving along a glass current and a busy hummingbird on a glass flower Born in England in 1948, Storey moved to New Zealand and, after finishing school, settled in Australia He operates studio foundries in both Australia and in Eugene, Ore

The other artist is Sara Creekmore of Magladena, N M back for her second year Creekmore works with fused, blown and lampworked dichroic glass making paperweights, bowls, vases and jewelry, among other things

"The Nature of Glass" opening reception is set for noon 4 p m Saturday, March 30 Other Plymouth participants include Penniman Gallery, York Street Glass and Gabriala's

For more information, call (734) 455-8838

Symphony concert

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 pm Saturday, March 16 at the Our Lady of Good Counsel Church (located on the northwest corner of Beck and

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

North Territorial)

Guest composer Hilary Tann will visit for the performance of her work The Open Field In Memoriam Tianamen 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 pm 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

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

Theater fund-raiser

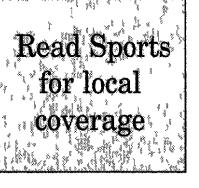
The Educational Excellence Foundation serving Plymouth-Canton Community Schools sponsors a dinner theater fund-raiser at 6 30 p m Friday, March 22

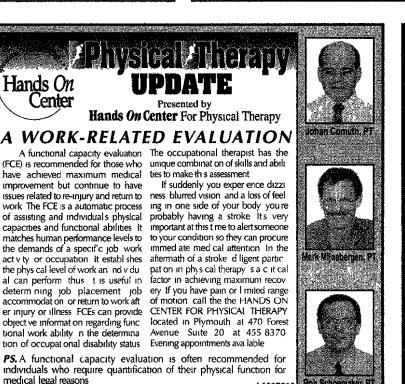
The evening includes a special dinner in the Plymouth Rock Cafe prepared and served by Culinary Arts students, followed by a performance of *Pippin* from reserved seats in the Gloria Logan Theater Tickets for the event are \$50 each, with only 100 tickets available

Proceeds from this event will be used for repairs to the theater Call 420-7010 Monday-Thursday mornings to reserve tickets

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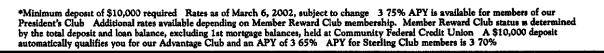
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Arts council, Bravo host 2-day theater seminar

The Bravo Television Network is teaming up with Comcast and the Plymouth Community Arts Council to provide youngsters in the Plymouth-Canton area a unique theater experience

Bravo and Comcast are hosting "Bravo On With the Show," a national theater-arts campaign for youngsters aged 10-17 The idea behind the campaign, according to network officials, is to "restore student productions in schools across the country and increase access to the theater for young people everywhere

The workshop takes place at Discovery Middle School April 12 13, and is free of charge Classes are held from 9 a m -5 pm April 12 and 9 am 7 pm April 13, and include singing, dancing, improvisation, physical comedy, mask work and more

Classes will be taught by Broadway professionals Lunches and snacks will be provided, along with surprise lunch-time guests from the theater communıty

"This is a really exciting theater experience," said Jennifer Tobin, executive director of the PCAC "We are very impressed with the schedule of classes and the teaching staff"

Potential participants must be able to attend both full sessions, and must fill out applications, which are available at the PCAC Experience in singing, acting or dancing is not necessary Applicants are accepted on a first-come basis Applications must be in by March 25

Interested parties can check out Bravo's Web site, www bravotv com/bravoonwiththeshow/index html

The PCAC is located at 774 N Sheldon For more information, call (734) 416 4278

Reading is fundamental



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Celebrity reader: WOMC's Jackie Purtan reads to children at the Plymouth Library on Tuesday afternoon as part of National reading month. Purtan was on one leg of a tour of local libraries promoting reading to youngsters About 15 children and their parents took part in the Plymouth event Youth services coordinator Carole Champagne led the group in singing before Purtan read four different stories to the children, who ranged in age from 18 months to 9 years old

Township gives 3.25 percent pay hike to non-union workers

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

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Several months ago, Plymouth Township's elected officials got large pay raises Pay hikes have also happened for most of the township's union employees

The township's non-represented workers got theirs Tuesday The Plymouth Township

Board approved a 3 25-percent, across-the-board wage increase for 13 non-represented officials The raises had actually been discussed at an earlier study session, but the resulting proposal contained a couple of surprises when it was suggested three employees get even larger raises Supervisor Steve Mann asked for a 45-percent hike for township computer whiz Robert Janks, and a 7-percent increase for Ann DeGhetto, whose salary he's trying to raise to a level he thinks is commensurate with the kind of work she does

And treasurer Ron Edwards wanted the salary of his deputy, Amy Hammye, raised 4 percent

But the rest of the board was n't buying it

"We discussed 3 25 across the board, and I think it's unfair to give some employees more than others," trustee Abe Munfakh said "All of these people do a great job

The higher raises for those three employees could come back to the board If their superiors provide data to support the larg er increases, they're likely to

'I have no problem with it if we can pull together data to support an equity adjustment,' trustee Ron Griffith said

Township firefighters earlier agreed to a contract that gives them a 3 5-percent wage hike effective in April Teamsters. police officers and dispatchers all got raises ranging from 3 0 to 25 that were effective Jan 1

Tuesday's vote also approved changes ■ To increase prescription

costs to \$10 for generic drugs, \$20 for name-brands It had been \$5/\$10 Raising the maximum cap

for dental coverage from \$600 to \$1,000 Hiking the cap for tuition reimbursement from \$1,500 to

\$3,000 per year

Teacher gets grant for science project

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

A Canton High School biology teacher has received one of a dozen grants from the Pfizer Science Education Task Force, which developed a pilot program designed to foster creativity while at the same time supplement science and math curriculums

Mark Griffith was awarded \$500 to study ecological succession in a deciduous forest and abandoned farming fields adjacent to the Plymouth-Canton **Educational Park**

"Succession is the orderly replacement of plants, going from grasses to pine forests to deciduous forests," said Griffith "Sometimes it's orderly, and sometimes it's not

"We have all these types of environments right here at The Park So, I'm able to make comparisons in soil temperature, relative humidity, soil pH and tree identification," he said

The Pfizer mini-grant will pro vide equipment to Griffith, including soil pH meters, a global positioning system, field sling

Signs from page A1

ders along Joy and 5 Mile where they intersect at Sheldon, Lilley and Haggerty There will also be a cedar sign at Ann Arbor Road and Eckles, which had originally been scheduled to get a smaller metal sign, after trustee Ron Griffith pointed out the town ship's border doesn't start at I-275 "The entrance to the township is not at I-275," Griffith said "It never has been, and it never will be The people in the eastern part of the township deserve to be recognized '

There will also be a cedar sign along Sheldon at the M-14 interchange, near the Visteon plant The original plan didn't include a sign there

"I would bet you get more traffic there than anywhere else in psychrometers and bimetallic dial thermometers

"I'm trying to support, with evidence, how the soil pH changes as different forests are around," Griffith said "We can show how a major deciduous forest, where trees are 75-80 feet tall, has changed the climate, and therefore has changed the animals It will be like having our own laboratory out there"

Part of the criteria for the grants is to have a project that wasn't possible under the school's normal budgetary parameters Griffith said the money will help him do a better job in teaching his biology class.

"Before, I would just take the kids out and explain to them my knowledge because it's difficult for schools to get reliable equip ment," he said "My class is about science, and is a lab class The more data we use the better, because that's what scientists do they take data and interpret

data Griffith and several of his stu-

dents will present the findings of their spring research project at the Pfizer Global Research and Development laboratories in Ann Arbor in May

the township," trustee Abe Mun fakh said "There definitely should be a sign there '

The design of the sign was also debated, and the board eventually went with one that includes a peak at the top of the sign, rather than a simpler, lessexpensive flat design Eventually, Griffith put the debate into perspective

"Pigeons can't sit on a peak as easily as they can on a flat one," Griffith said with a smile "That's all I have to say about that

The peaked signs were also favored by members of the new Downtown Development Authority, because the brick signs designed by Karell will be peaked



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Women's Club alters scholarship focus

Some 20 years after the said "Therefore, we do not first Scholarship Invitational Ball, the Plymouth Women's Club is having to change the focus of the annual scholarships it hands out

After awarding some 600 scholarships to high school seniors over the years, the Women's Club will now be giving them to women who wish to enroll in college courses to either advance their degree or start earning credits toward a degree or skill, according to KC Mueller, the scholarship awards chairman

The change is necessitated by an Internal Revenue Service ruling that says because scholarships make up more than 15 percent of the total budget, the club is no longer a 501(c)3 organization

"The government has chosen to consider us a social organization as opposed to a civic organization," Mueller

qualify "

Hence the change in focus According to Mueller, a limit ed number of scholarships will be awarded to women looking to advance their education

"Once again, we would be looking at the individual's involvement in the communi ty," she said

The application ask for information about education, reasons for applying for specific classes or courses of study, and a list of community involvement A short essay (500 words or less) is also required

Applications are due by April 15 and can be picked up at the Plymouth Observer office, 794 S Main, (734) 459-2700 Potential applicants can also call Mueller, (734) 455-0075

Talks from page A1

Portelli said two of the biggest II 'Money is always an are always money and school calendar

"Money is always an issue," said Portelli "If the district gets the additional \$200 (foundation grant increase) from the state, maybe it won't be But, this district is always in a financial situation I've been here 25 years and I haven't been in a year where we weren't

"But, there are other issues, too," added Portell1 "We're going to survey our membership before we go to the table "

Bihun admits money is always at the top of the list

"Compensation is always there," he said "We're looking at a tight budget We don' know

Pension from page A1

agreed to let Manufacturer's Life administer the pension plan Company officials found the \$12,000 error while auditing the township's records, Coobatis told the board

Paying the extra pension

issue.'

"We're putting proposals

together, just like they're putting

proposals together," he said "We're gathering information

Patricia Brand, executive

director of business services for

Plymouth-Canton Schools, said a

2 5 percent wage increase for

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Chuck Portelli president of the PCEA

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER JGLADDEN@OE HOMECOMM.NET

The Plymouth/Canton Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America will donate \$12,000 to provide assistance to the families of service members killed in Afghanıstan

Vietnam vets

to donate funds

for war victims

The money, to be divided among the various branches of the military, will be presented to military representatives at the group's April 8 meeting at the American Legion Post 32 on Newburgh south of Joy Road

Basilio "Buzz" Rivera of Westland, president of the chapter, said one of the members "just came up with an idea to donate money toward these families "

We donate as much as we can whenever we can to different projects," he said "We're involved in all kinds of different projects '

Some of the projects the groups helps with or donates to are the Wayne County Fishing Derby and the Y-Run

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"We're currently selling raffle tickets for a motorcycle and we conduct two annual car washes to raise money," Rivera said The car washes are held at the Lighthouse Car Wash in Canton and the Main Street Car Wash in Plymouth

"They donate the money for the day," he said

But the Vietnam vets also help out beyond the Plymouth and Canton boundaries

"We give a lot of money away to the community and different sources," said Bob Cohen of Plymouth, secretary of the group "And Vietnam vets do stuff for other vets beside those in the community"

He said he has been in contact with representatives of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps and hopes to get in contact with the Coast Guard

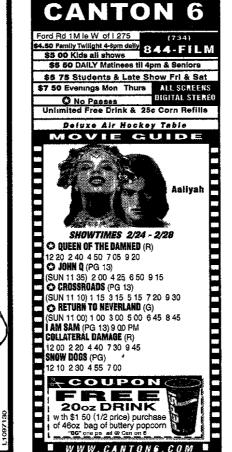
He said the money will be presented at the meeting and will be divided evenly among the var-10us branches

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Water main installation on the south side of Joy Road, starting at Beck Road. Improvements to include removing trees, installing 4.000 lineal feet of new 12-inch ductile iron water main, 215 lineal feet of bore and jack with 20" diameter casing pipe, installing fire hydrants and gate valves in wells, testing and restoration.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Dietrich, Bailey and Associates PC A non refundable fee of forty five dollars (\$4500) will be charged for the bid packet Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cashier's check certified check money order or a bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the proposal

Bid Documents are on file for review at Canton Township Public Works Construction Association of Michigan F W Dodge and Construction Market Data

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Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with music, dance and shamrocks

'm not Irish but my wolfhound is — I guess that s as good a reason as any to celebrate St Patrick's Day It seems on March 17 everyone tries to find a connection to the Emerald

Isle even if it is farfetched The lively music and dance cheer us during the last gray days of winter In years past however it was difficult for families to find events to experience a wee bit of the magic

This Sunday two venues offer tradi tional Irish music and step dancing that won't ruin your budget At the Southfield Centre for the Arts there s a family rate, at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland adults are \$10, kıds free

Irish Spectacular

Conductor Craig Strain and the Motor City Brass Band kick off the festivities in Southfield with a set that includes Phil Coulter's Farewell to Inishowen and a medley Strain based on When Irish Eyes are Smiling Fid dler Kelly Garver Nieto, Celtic Renais sance, and Tyler Duncan follow Dun can is the reigning bodhran (drum) champion and the first American to win the Irish National Championship playing the uilleann pipes two years in a row

'Being Irish myself, I think the music is so wonderful," said Strain, Motor City Brass Band music director and a Farmington Hills resident 'I'm excited that we have such talented guests We had Kelly and Tyler last year and they brought the house down

"The finale is Vive La Hoche which was the name of a ship coming over from France with Wolfe Tone, a

Images reflect women's struggle for recognition

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER ichomin@oe homecomm net

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he newest exhibit at the Univer sity of Michigan Museum of Art shows not much has changed since the 1500s in regard to artists manipulating the viewer Imagery controlled popular opinion about women back then as it does now

Women Who Ruled Queens, God desses Amazons 1500 1650 docu ments the struggle of women to attain

respect in areas normally reserved for men even though an unprecedented number of women ruled states and kingdoms in Europe during that time These powerful women chose to fight soci ety's stereotypes by promoting themselves as

strong leaders, equal to men Be forewarned several men lose their heads in the nearly 100 paint ings, prints, sculp ture and decora tive objects gath ered from 50 col lections around the globe Orga nized by Annette Dixon, the muse

them as conversations that took place between sitters and the artists about how they would be portrayed

Early on in the planning stage, Dixon realized the limitations of presenting an exhibition of this scope After looking through museum collec tions, catalogs and hundreds of books on representations of women, the final decision rested on what works were available and what went well thematically

"We knew we wouldn't be able to represent every

Women Who Ruled

What: 100 masterworks of queens, goddesses and heroines by artists from 1500 to 1650

When: Through Sunday, May 5 Hours are 10 a m to 5 p m Tuesday-Saturday, until 9 pm Thursday, and noon to 5 p m Sunday Where: University of Michi-

gan Museum of Art, 525 South State St . Ann Arbor

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female ruler in this era but we tried to represent all artists," said Dixon who began organizing the show three-and-a half years ago "Noticeably absent 1s Artemisia because

of exhibits planned to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of Queen Elizabeth I in 2003

"What we gath ered are not just paintings but



famous Irish patriot in the 1700s, and reinforcements to help the Irish fight England It's very up-tempo, happy music you would relate to Riverdance "

Irish Fest

Colleen Ross loves dancing to jigs and reels because the music is festive, and because she's good at it The nineyear old has already won more than 20 medals and her mother Ann couldn t be prouder She'll be in the audience at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Sun day watching her daughter dance

Colleen began studying step dancing four years ago at the O'Hare School of Irish Dance in Birmingham Last St Patrick's Day 90 children and teens

Please see CHOMIN, B7



Chulrua: Tim Britton (left), Paddy O'Brien and Pat Egan perform traditional Irish music on St Patrick's Day

um's curator of Western Art, Women Who Ruled tells the story of wealth, seduction and deception Judith with the head of

No charge

Assyrian General Holofernes appears more than once Dixon originally intended the show to focus on paintings about biblical characters Judith and Salome but found the scope too narrow As she began her research, Dixon discovered the period of Baroque and Renaissance paintings that depict women breaking gender barriers Porcelain skin and pearls abound especially during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I

Establishing power

"Women and artists at the time were creating and coming up with new ways to depict powerful women," said Dixon "Rulers would show themselves as semi divine, depicting themselves as goddesses or Olympians They were trying to establish their power

"I hope the viewer will come to see these old master works in a new way, as objects very similar in the way media represent women today, to see

raphers present work inspired works that show by Joan of Arc, Queen Elizabeth, how imagery perwomen warriors and other meated all specimages in the exhibit -8 pmtrums of the cul Saturday, March 16 and 5 pm ture We wanted Sunday, March 17, in the Apse to show many media, the entirety of visual cul-

> ture as it existed, what different views would have been seen The



PHOTO COURTESY DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS Wives and mothers: "Eleanora of Toledo and Her Son" is the first state portrait to show the duel role of women rulers

Regal pose: George Gower used the traditional symbols of male monarchs to paint this portrait of Queen Elizabeth I. Completed in 1588, the oil is from a private collection courtesy of Peter Nahum at the Leicester Galleries, London

exhibit attests to certain attitudes, how women were viewed at that time

"This was a period where there were more women ruling than before or since In the 1400s there was a literary controversy about women, for and against women in power and stepping out of domestic roles '

Wives and mothers

Divided into five sections, the first, Wives and Mothers, greets visitors with a familiar image, the portrait of Eleanora of Toledo and her son from the Detroit Institute of Arts The oil on panel pays homage to the wife of Cosimo I de' Medici of Florence as ruler and her role in the continuation of the dynasty The first state portrait to depict a mother with her son, Agnolo Bronzino's painting stressed the idea she offered so much more as a monarch

"These are women who excelled in traditional roles, to be chaste and faithful to your husband, and the chief role - to bear children as heirs."

said Dixon "The material, a creme brocade with cut black velvet, never existed The painter imagined how it would conform to her body It shows his power of imagination You see his fluidity with the brush '

The first two sections definitely provide a feast for the eye Paintings of women dressed in lush fabrics and dripping with jewels show the mastery of the artist portraying power, especially George Gower's oil portrait of Elizabeth I, Queen of England A lace ruff frames a mask-like face befitting a ruler of any gender

"Pearls were fashionable then They'd discovered pearl beds in the New World Pearls were a symbol of virginity and chasteness and wealth," said Dixon "The second section focuses on The Virgin – Queen Elizabeth I She never married because she knew she'd lose her power '

Elizabeth wasn't about to let that happen She came to the throne nei-

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CONCERNS

Musicians unite for Beethoven's Ninth

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER lchomin@oe homecomm net

Singing the Ode to Joy from Beethoven's Ninth Symphony still thrills Don Pratt even though the Can ton tenor performed the fourth move ment with the Plymouth Oratorio Soci ety in the early 1990s He's imagining a combined chorus of 250 plus singers on stage to perform the composer's final masterpiece two weekends in a row – first with the Plymouth Sympho ny Orchestra and then with the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra at

'It's a classic. It's strenuous. It's a glorious piece to sing."

Don Pratt Canton tenor

Orchestra Hall

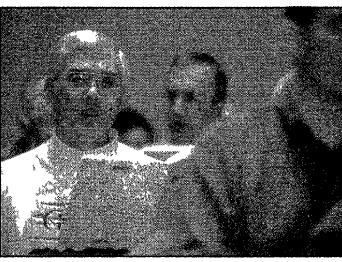
That all of these musical groups would come together to perform Beethoven's theme on the triumph of the spirit is fitting after the Sept 11 terrorist attacks according to Charles Burke, conductor of the Detroit Sym

phony Civic Orchestra

In addition to the Plymouth Oratorio Society, the Eastern Michigan University Choir, under conductor Len Riccinto, sings both performances

On March 16 the Plymouth Counsellors Chorale, under director Michele Johns, joins with soloists Karin White, soprano, M Rachel Andrews, mezzosoprano, Christopher Meerdink, tenor, and David Hartmann, bass-baritone, to perform Beethoven's tribute to brother hood





Hard at work: Plymouth Oratorio Society member Don Pratt rehearses for concerts with the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra and the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra Both groups will perform Beethoven's masterwork, the "Ninth Symphony," on consecutive

STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL weekends

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Olympia Dukakis brings one-woman show to Temple Israel

Rose

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Olympia Dukakıs

Dukakıs' agent on a lark last spring

Ellias, program director for Temple Israel, wanted to bring the Oscar-winning actress and her one woman show Rose, to the West Bloomfield synagogue

"I had seen her m New York I thought it would be perfect to bring here It had Jewish con tent It's a Jewish woman telling her life story," Ellias recalled "The agent said, 'she might do a few lines from it, but I'm sure she won't do the whole \mathbf{show}

"But 15 minutes later, the agent called back "

Dukakıs agreed to perform a 'concert" version of her two hour monologue, depending on

lan Ellias called Olympia the success of similar perfor mances in California and Idaho

"The playwright gave her per mission to cut the show She cut it to an hour and twenty min utes

The shortened version of Rose requires fewer props and set ting, although Temple Israel will hire a professional lighting technician to set up theater lights

"This is a way for us to bring theater here in a way we can handle it," Ellias said "We've done temple revues and musi cals We've brought in a lot of lecturers but never a show like this "

Dukakıs delivers her monologue from a bench, with a refrigerated lunch pack, water

bottle and glass at her side, as she "sits Shiva," a Jewish mourning practice

"She never moves," Ellias said "At first you see the star Then five minutes later you see the character Then she starts painting pictures as she talks She's incredible '

Ellias hopes the performance will prompt more theatrical performances at Temple Israel It's co-sponsoring Rose with Adat Shalom Synagogue and Hadas- sah

"This is a big undertaking Co-sponsoring makes it a community event and it broadens our audience '

Observer and Eccentric reporter, Susan Tauber, inter viewed Dukakis last week via email These are her questions and Dukakis' responses

O&E What attracted you to the production of Rose, a play in which it would be up to you and only you to make a success?

Dukakıs It ıs a brilliant play and challenging а part

O&E What message do you and playwright Martin Sherman try to project through Rose? Dukakıs The desire to live life fully, deeply and finding \mathbf{the}

courage to do that O&E This is

your fourth year with Rose How do you keep your performances fresh? AND HOW DO YOU SIT THAT LONG ON THE BENCH?

Dukakıs I love her world

■ O&E Are there any Roses ın your life?

Dukakıs Many' Aunts, my mother, friends — they are Roses by name and in spirit

■ O&E Will you tell us some thing about your personal life --



your marriage, children, grand children?

Dukakıs I have three grown children — a daughter and two sons My sons are married and one has given me my first granddaughter, Isabella, who is 3 I have my sec-

ond granddaughter due in July I am called Y1a Y1a (Greek for grandmother) and my husband 18 Papou I have been married for 40 years to actor Louis Zorich (Brooklyn Bridge, MadAbout You)

> 🖬 O&E Dıd you experience much bigotry due to your Greek name and her itage when you started out in the entertainment field 35 years ago?

Dukakıs Yes It was assumed I

must have an accent and could not play an American because of my name

■ O&E You ve done a range of work in the theater field, from directing to producing to acting to teaching What advice do you give your students who want to pursue a career in theater,

whether on or off the stage? Dukakis Do it only if it is your passion and not for any other reason

■ O&E Where do you see the world of entertainment in 20 years? Do you think people will continue to flock to live theater when the production will probably be on television or Bravo or another arts channel?

Dukakıs I think people will seek out to be with other people in a communal way for live theatre

O&E What do you see yourself doing in 10 years? 20

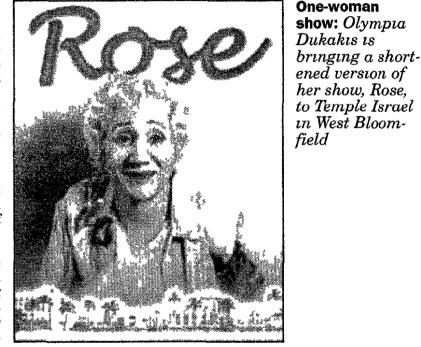
vears? Dukakis Working, enjoying my family as well as all the arts Working and loving is

> ■ O&E You are known as an activist What issues are you dedicated to now?

what life is, as Chekhov says

Dukakıs Issues which affect women, children and the environment

O&E When are you going to announce your candidacy for president of the United States? Dukakıs Politics are definite ly not in my future



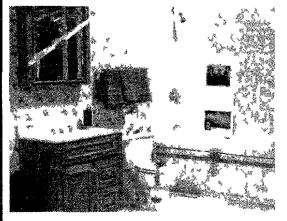
On stage: Olympia Dukakis delivers her monologue while seated on a bench during the onewoman show, Rose

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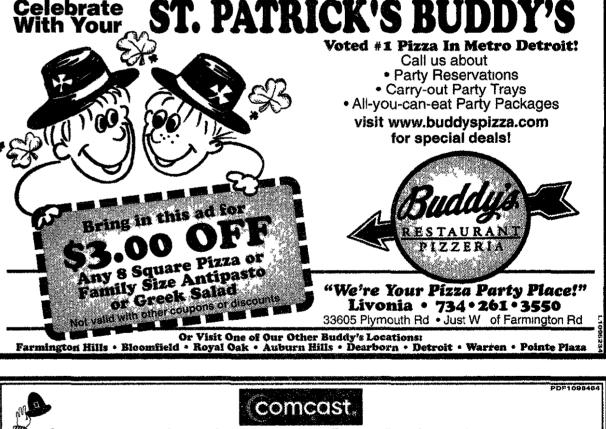
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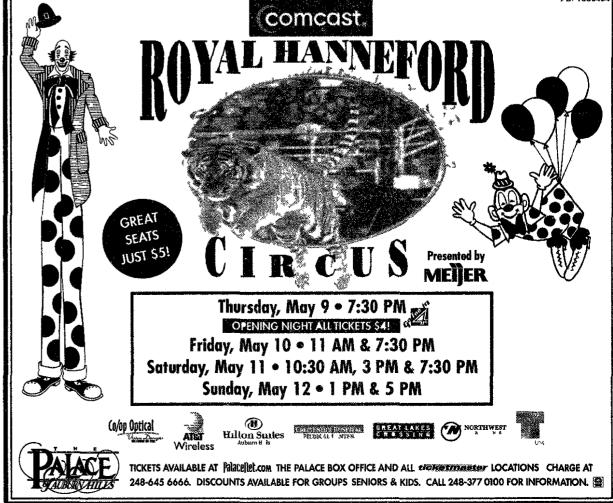
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COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open March 15

SHOWTIME

This spoof of buddy cop movies is about two very different police officers who are forced to work together as stars of a new reality based TV show a major city s police department hopes will boost their publicity morale and image in general Stars Robert De Niro Eddie Murphy Rene Russo Ellen Pompeo William Shatner Alex Borstein Ken Campbell John Cariani Maurice Compte TJ Cross Pedro Damian Drena De Niro Mos Def Frankie Faison Judah Friedlander Kadeem Hardison Rachael Harris Peter Jacobson Mel Rodriguez Merlin Santana Nestor Serrano Aisha Tyler Julio Dolce Vita Directed by Tom Dey (Warner Brds) Rated PG 13

ICE AGE

A hilarious and engaging new adven ture this digitally animated feature film is for the entire family Set against the onslaught of the Ice Age and a world filled with wonder and danger the story revolves around three unforgettable characters an acerbic woolly mam moth an irreverent unsocialized giant sloth and a scheming saber toothed tiger Together this group of dysfunc tional characters takes one unexpected passenger an abandoned human baby on the biggest commute of all time! Along the way they become allies on a perilous quest to bring the baby home Vocal talent of Ray Romano Denis Leary John Leguizamo Jane Krakowski Jack Black and Kristen Johnston Directed by Academy Award winning d rector Chris Wedge (Twentieth Cen tury Fox) Rated PG

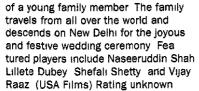
LAST ORDERS

A group of old friends get together fol lowing the death of London butcher Jack Dodds (Michael Caine) whose last wish was for them all to go on a road trip to deliver his ashes to the sea (Sony Pictures Classics) Rated R

MONSOON WEDDING

Returning to contemporary India for the first time since SALAAM BOMBAY! filmmaker Mira Nair explores a contem porary global India where the new dot com society co exists with tradi tional India The ensemble comedy cele brates the bringing together of mem bers of a Punjabi family for the wedding

talian Chophouse



RESIDENT EVIL

Based upon the popular video game the story centers on Alice and Rain who are leading a command team into the Hive a gene lab where a deadly virus has killed all the scientists. Alice has less than three hours to isolate the virus in the underground complex before it destroys the world Featured players include Milla Jovovich Michelle Rodriguez, Fric Mabius, and James, Purefoy Paul Andersondirects the action (Screen Gems) Rated R

Scheduled to open Wednesday March 20

KISSING JESSICA STEIN

Billed as a romantic comedy the story centers on Jessica who after a series of disastrous first dates with men answers a personal ad placed by anoth er woman Featured players include Jennifer Westfeldt and Heather Juer gensen Scott Cohen and Tovah Feld shuh The film directed by Charles Her man Wurmfeld won the Audience Award for Best Film at the 2001 Los Angeles Independent Film Festival (Fox Search light) Rated R

Scheduled to open Friday March 22

BLADE 2

Wesley Snipes returns as vampire Blade the son of a vampire and a mor tal woman in a quest to avenge his mother s death This time around the fanged hero forms an alliance with a group of vampires in order to fight an even bigger menace the Reapers Fea tured players include Leonor Valera Luke Goss and Kris Kristofferson (New Line) Rated R

E.T. THE EXTRA TERRESTRIAL (20TH ANNIVERSARY RE-RELEASE)

In celebration of the 20th anniversary of Steven Spielberg s classic Universal Pictures and Amblin Entertainment will re release the touching story of a lost little visitor from another planet who is befriended and protected by a young boy Together they find a way to return the young alien home. The film stars



Dee Wallace Stone Peter Coyote Robert Macnaughton Drew Barrymore and Henry Thomas as Elliot the young boy who helps his new friend phone home The new version includes as vet unseen footage computer generated enhancements and a digitally remixed soundtrack (Universal) Rated PG

FESTIVAL IN CANNES

The plot centers on the obsessed lives of the actors actresses writers directors producers agents managers and wannabes all of whom are drawn together for two weeks each May in this ultra romantic setting. United by their overwhelming ambition and a com monly held willingness to do almost anything to get what they want (a job a deal a part or simply love) these film people act out their extraordinary ritual every spring in this most glorlously beautiful setting on the French Riviera Featured among the ensemble are Anouk Aimee Ron Silver Greta Scacchi and Maximilian Schell (Paramount Classics) Rated PG 13

SORORITY BOYS

The plot centers on three rowdy college students who are kicked out of their frat house for being too rowdy They decide to dress up in drag and live in the DOG sorority house the sorority for girls who don t have the looks to make it into other sororities. Soon they learn how mean they ve been to girls through out their lives Featured among the ensemble are Greg Coolidge Heather Matarazzo Barry Watson and Harland Williams (Touchstone Pictures) Rated R

Scheduled to open March 29

CLOCKSTOPPERS

A scientist invents a mechanism that speeds up any target that it hits to 25 times their normal speed effectively making it seem to that person like time is standing still. The race is on to find a way to reverse the effects when his son

April 5

and a friend are zapped Stars Jesse Bradford Miko Hughes Michael Biehn French Stewart Julia Sweeney Paula Garces Robin Thomas Directed by Jonathan Frakes Rated PG

DEATH TO SMOOCHY

This dark comedy set in the dog eat dog world of children s television pro gramming is the tale of Smoochy a lov able big purple rhinoceros character The guy in the big rubber suit Sheldon Mopes who plays Smoochy finds him self targeted for assassination by Rain bow Randolph a former kids show star who got fired for taking a bribe and now pins his wrath on his successor Stars Edward Norton Robin Williams Hank Azaria Danny DeVito Harvey Fler stein Salma Hayek Catherine Keener Jon Stewart Glen Cross Pam Ferris Michael Rispoli Elvis Stojko Danny Woodburn Directed by Danny DeVito Rated R

PANIC ROOM

The story centers on Meg Altman (Jodie Foster) a woman who moves into a New York City brownstone with her daughter Sarah When three burglars invade their home in search of hidden money Meg and Sarah are forced to hide in a vault like room where the money is supposedly buried Also included in the cast are Dwight Yoakam Jared Leto Forest Whitaker and Kristin Stewart David Fincher directs the suspense (Columbia Pictures) Rated R

THE ROOKIE

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Dennis Quaid stars as Jim Morris in this true story about a teacher who had to drop out of minor league baseball because of an injury to his pitching arm Twelve years later inspired by the young men of the championship-winning high school team he coaches. Morris is convinced to fulfill his own dream and try out for a professional team Fea

JOILE RANCHER

tured among the ensemble are Rachel Griffiths and Jay Hernandez John Lee Hancock directs the action (Walt Dis nev Pictures) Rated G

SCRATCH

This documentary showcases the world and history (from the 1970 s to today) of the hip hop DJ specifically those that scratch (turntablists) while they mix vinyl records creating that now familiar sound (Palm Pictures) Rated R

Scheduled to open April 5

NATIONAL LAMPOON'S VAN WILDER

Van Wilder a college student in his sixth year and still just a senior learns that his father will not pay for another semester but Van is so in love with cushy college life that he will do any thing to stay He s also got to figure out how to pay for it all now Will Van Wilder be able to stick around for year seven or is it finally time he got that diploma? Stars Ryan Reynolds Tara Reid Tim Matheson Tom Everett Scott Alex Burns Daniel Cosgrove Teck Holmes Kal Penn Emily Rutherfurd Kim Smith Directed by Walt Becker Rated R

THE ACCIDENTAL SPY

From the director of Downtown comes an action adventure featuring Jackie Chan as Buck a salesman at a workout equipment store who harbors dreams of adventures It all starts when Buck fol lows his instincts to trail two suspi cious looking men into an alley. When he realizes that these men are robbing a jewelry store he jumps into action to foil their plans Soon after Buck meets Liu (Eric Tsang) a private Investigator who convinces him that he may be the

long lost son of a rich Korean businessman In no time Buck is on his way to fulfill his dreams of adventure and for tune traveling to Korea and Turkey As he is drawn deeper in to the game of cat and mouse the realizes he has become the key to locating a lung can cer virus With an assortment of charac ters fighting him along the way the question remains whether Buck will succeed in finding the virus himself (Miramax) Rated PG 13

BIG TROUBLE

Based on the novel by Pulitzer Prize winning newspaper columnist Dave Barry the story tells of how a mysteri ous suitcase brings together and changes the lives of a divorced dad an unhappy housewife two hitmen a pair of street thugs two lovestruck teens two FBI men and a psychedelic toad Featured among the ensemble are Rene Russo Stanley Tucci Tom Sizemore Johnny Knoxville Jason Lee and Tim Allen Barry Sonnenfeld directed the project (Touchstone Pictures) Rated PG 13

HIGH CRIMES

A happily married successful female lawyer (Ashley Judd) is shocked to learn that her husband has a hidden past as a classified military operative and is accused of committing a heinous war crime She must wrestle with her own doubts about his guilt as she defends him, with the help of a private investigator (Morgan Freeman) in a top secret military court where none of the rules she knows will apply. Also fea tured are Jim Caviezel Amanda Peet and Tom Bower Carl Franklin directs the drama (Twentieth Century Fox) Rated PG 13



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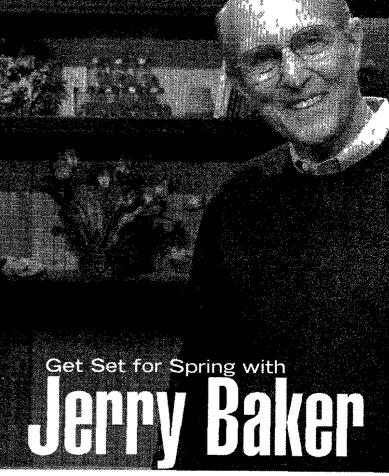
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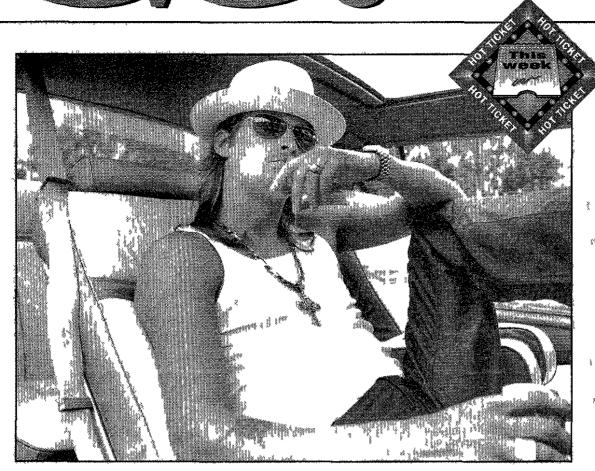
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Art Dash: Looking for artists to donate work for a fund raising event for Arbor Hospice Thursday May 30 at St John s Golf and Conference Center Plymouth (248) 348-4980 Livonia Arts Commission: is look ing for artists and crafters for its 26th annual Arts Festival Saturday Sunday June 89 in Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia For an application call the community resources depart ment at (734) 466 2540 Exhibitors are also wanted for the display cases in the Livonia Civic Center Library Artists or collectors should contact Donna Eno at (734) 261 5870 Michigan Water Color Society: Is looking for artists for its 55th annual exhibition to be held at Ella Sharp Museum in Jackson May 25 July 21 Artists must be a current or former resident of Michigan Open to all watermedia on paper including monotype Juror is Warren Taylor on the stu dio faculty of Midland College Texas for 22 years Slides must be postmarked no later than March 23 (248) 352 3973 VSA arts of Michigan: Looking for professional artists who are inter ested in sharing their creative processes in dance drama liter ature music poetry and the visu al arts with students with disabil ities Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabili ties Qualified artists will be trained at the RA MacMullan **Conference Center at Higgins** Lake in Roscommon Saturday Tuesday, June 15 18 Following training VSA arts of Michigan will provide work for artists in artist in residence programs in K12 schools throughout the state Interested artists should send resumes to Artist in Residence Initiative VSA arts of Michigan 51 West Hancock Detroit MI 48201 For more information call (313) 832 3303 or send e mail to vsami@ic net

ART CLASSES/ WORKSHOPS

Ann Arbor Art Center: Adult and youth courses including ceram ics jewelry making figure sculpting and drawing Renaissance painting tilemaking mosaics glass blowing pottery puppetry wheel thrown clay and more 117 W Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004 Ext 101 Art Gallery/Studio: Maggie Cooney and Kay Rowe teach watercolor classes in March and April, Sheridan Shopping Center Garden City (734) 261 0379 Art of Living Studio: Drawing scarf dyeing and awakening your artistic vision classes book con versation and poetry nights 11 S Broadway Lake Orion (248) 693 3632 **Birmingham Bloomfield Art** Center: Art classes from preschool through adult 1516 South Cranbrook Road Birmingham (248) 644-0866 Creative Arts Center: Classes for children teens and adults in art music drama and dance 47 Williams Street Pontiac (248) 333-7849 Scholarships available for students with financial need D & M Studios: Spring Break Workshops consist of all day paints cartooning and ceramic sessions Also taking registration for summer art camps This year s theme - Going Buggy For more information call (734) 453 3710



Hometown boy: Kid Rock performs 7.30 p m. March 17 at the Palace in Auburn Hills. For tickets, call (248) 377-0100

W Ann Arbor Road Plymouth (734) 455 2150 **Touch of Light:** The Studio and Gallerie of Handblown Glass offers classes in glass blowing Classes meet Wednesday Friday evenings and Saturday Sunday afternoons 23426 Woodward Ave Ferndale (248) 543 1868

ART LECTURES/ MEETINGS

Artifacts Art Club: Meeting fea tures Roland Franz explaining the process of computer imaging as an art form and what is involved from the first step to the final picture 7 30 p m Tuesday March 19 in Room A at the Livonia Civic Center Library 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington Road Visitors and guests well come (734) 522 9601 Michael Farrell: Talks about Georgia O Keeffe the American abstract painter best known for large paintings of desert flowers and scenery inspired by the land scape of New Mexico 7 30 p m Thursday March 14 in the Forum at Hillside Middle School Northville \$10 (248) 449 9950 Livonia Civic Center Library: Liz Elling presents a slide show and lecture on Beatrix Potter 7 30 pm Friday March 15 although the current publishers of the Peter Rabbit books are celebrat ing the 100th anniversary of the publication of Peter Rabbit this year little is known as Potter s efforts to save the countryside of the Lake District and to breed the indigenous Herdwick sheep Elling is coordinator Visiting Programs at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor in the audi torium 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington Road (734) 466 2450 Wayne State University: African American art lecture series fea tures Detroit artists and scholars Bamidele Damerson Valerie Mercer and Carole Harris and emerging New York artist Brett Cook Dizney 7 p m Wednesday March 20 27 April 3 and 10 series begins with Cook Dizney who describes himself as a maker of object, critical ethnog rapher observer of community life educator and storyteller he will discuss his innovative public art projects and address the artist s role in facilitating social change in the Helen DeRoy Auditorium 5203 Cass Detroit (313) 577 2980

making and jewelry by Debbie Isaacs followed by dessert 7 30 p m Thursday March 21 tour of exhibit by artists followed by dessert and questions 7 30 p m Thursday April 11 (248) 432 5448

Great Frame Up Gallery: *The Eclectic Collective* featuring Detroit area artists March 15 April 20 opening reception 7 9 p m Friday March 22 215 Peabody Birmingham (248) 540 2555

Lemberg Gallery: Wendy MacGaw sculpture and Howard Ben Tre works on papers opens with a reception 5 7 p m Saturday March 16 continues to April 20 23241 Woodward Ferndale (2478) 591 6623 **Revolution Gallery.** Recent sculp ture and works on paper by Heather McGill opens with a reception 5-7 p m Saturday March 16 continues to April 20 23257 Woodward Ferndale (248) 541 3444

Schoolcraft College: Exhibits computer graphics award winners for the SIGGRAPH competition and textile blocks by appoint ment West Bloomfield (248) 681 7227 Birmingham Bloomfield Art

Center: Michigan Fine Arts Competition continues to Friday March 29 1516 South Cranbrook Road Birmingham (248) 644-

0866 Cass Cafe: Psychology and Image an exhibition by College for Creative Studies graduating seniors Taurus Burns Darcel Deneau Matt Lewis and Anthony Orlando through April 30 4620 Cass Detroit (313) 831 1400 CPOP Gallery: Ron Zarkin and The Pizz continues to March 31 at the gallery 4160 Woodward Ave (313) 833 9901

Dei Gallery: Women of the World a retrospective collections of work by Barbara Terry Roy con tinues to March 31 28001 Southfield Road between 11 and 12 Mile Lathrup Village (248) 423 7270

Detroit Contemporary Solo exhibits by Kamil Antos and Pavs and site specific installa tions by Jeff Karolski Jeanne Prordresher and Graeme Whyte continues to Sunday March 24 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd Detroit (313) 898 4ART or visit the Web site at www.detroitcomtempo rarv 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 Thursday 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 Friday March 22 1400 Oakman Blvd Detroit Ford Gallery 2002 Michigan Drawing Biennial continues to Friday March 22 in the gallery on the campus of Eastern Michigan University Ypsilanti (734) 487 0465

Habitat Gallerles 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

Hill Gallery: Image and Mystery works by 24 contemporary artists continues through Sunday April 7 Hours are noon 6 p m Tuesday Saturday at the gallery 407 West Brown Birmingham (248) 540 9288

Elaine Jacob Gallery Some Readings by Buzz Spector contin ues to Friday March 15 Spector uses the Polaroid Corporation s 20 by 24 inch camera to shoot still life Wayne State University West Hancock and Second Detroit (313) 993 7813 Livonia City Hall Artifacts Art Club members exhibit photography colored pencil watercolor pastels and computer art through March 27 33000 Civic Center Drive 8 am to 5 pm Monday Friday For evening hours call (734) 421 2000 Livonia Civic Center Library Fine Arts Gallery: Paintings by Kay Rowe continues to Sunday March 24 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington Road (734) 466 2490

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

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

Museum Of New Art. KaBOOM! group show continues to Sunday April 28 \$2 admission 1249 Washington Blvd Book Building Suite 200 Detroit (313) 961 2845

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 Sunday March 24 29173 Northwestern Southfield (248) 356 5454

Scarab Club: Silver Medal Exhibition on the second floor **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 mak ing 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 The Community House Songs & Puppets with Rita Kirsch Parent and child music classes for ages three months to 4 years original and traditional songs creative movement and rhythm instru ments 380 South Bates Birmingham (248) 644 5832

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

Furniture Factory 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 pm and 9 pm Saturday 2 pm and 6 pm Sunday \$24 50 \$37 50 (313) 963 9800 **Jewish Ensemble Theatre** Present the Michigan premiere of the play about the brutal murder of Matthew Shepard a young gay

college student The Laramie Project continues to Sunday March 24 Curtain 2 p m Sunday 7 30 p m Wednesday Thursday and Sunday 8 p m Saturday 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 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

Outside the Lines Studio:

Decorative painting classes learn faux finishes with glazes, animals prints, paper mosaics glass painting floorcloths furni ture painting and more Berkley (248) 399 9304

Plymouth Community Arts Council: Winter classes include preschool art beginning drawing Sculpey sculptures group guitar lessons, actor s workshop clay and sessions for children and par ents adults classes/workshops in watercolor, mandala drawing chess figure drawing and paint ing solutions A Spring Mud Fling takes place 10 a m to noon Tuesday Thursday April 2 4 with members of the Village Potters Guild (hand building technique) (734) 416 4278

Plymouth Reed and Cane. Basket weaving classes workshops and chair caning and seat replace ment classes Beginning Decorative Painting Class fabric painting and other classes 1200

GALLERY EXHIBITS (OPENING)

A.C.T. (Artists' Cooperative, The): Presents for one night only the fifth annual Off the Wall exhibit 59 pm Friday April 5 members artists friends and special guests celebrate the cooperative spirit of the Detroit art scene by creating individual and collaborative work on the gallery walls Work will be sold by the square foot at a low price at the closing 35 East Grand River Detroit (313) 961 4336 Janice Charach Epstein Gallery. Five Artists Five Directions in Glass March 7 April 25 Demonstration of glass bead

through March 31 6 30 9 p m Friday March 22 a seminar will include a display of all winning posters and animation a CD ROM exhibit of student interactive edu cational projects and a slide show of student work selected by faculty SIGGRAPH is a special interest group established to sup port computer graphics educa tion and the use of computer graphics in education 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile roads Livonia (734) 462 4400 Ext 5219

Elizabeth Stone Gallery Meet children s book illustrator Jane Breskin Zalbe 1 4 p m Sunday March 16 continues to March 30 536 N Old Woodward Avenue Birmingham (248) 647 7040

Zeitgeist Gallery & Performance Venue Recent works by Jason Passeno in the Bar Gallery and painter George Graveldiner and Aaron Ibn Pori Pitts in the Gallery Space opens with a reception 7 p m to midnight Saturday March 16 continues to April 27 2661 Michigan Avenue

GALLERY EXHIBITS (ON-GOING)

Detroit (313) 965 9192

Barbara Adeison Studios: Frank Lloyd Wright art glass windows



Meet artist Mark Revers at a reception to open an exhibit of his watercolors 7-9 p m Friday, March 15, at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 North Sheldon at Junction The paintings continue on display through March 28 Revers graduated from Iowa State University as a graphic designs major For more information, call (734) 416-4278

Lounge Gallery and Bette Pruden Have Easel Will Travel continues to Saturday 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 Friday March 15 536 North Old Woodward Birmingham (248) 647 7040

University of Michigan Museum

of Art: Women Who Ruled Queens, Goddesses Amazons 1500-1650, through Sunday, May 5 Tickets \$8 per person no charge for students/museum mem bers 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.umihc.edu/~umma Washington Street Gallery: Leslie Masters Southern Sun, land scapes from Italy and France through Saturday March 30 215

East Washington St Ann Arbor (734) 761 2287 Woods Gallery. Exhibit by Sherry Adams Foster runs through Monday March 25 in the lower level Huntington Woods Library 26415 Scotia Huntington Woods, south of 11 Mile Road (248) 543 9720

WORKSHOPS

Actors Workshop. The dates have been changed for the workshop with Gordon Michaels acting coach for Dylan McDermott on The Practice television show to 16 p m Saturday Sunday April 1314 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 applica tions for a free two day perfor mance workshop for ages 10 17 Friday Saturday April 12 13 at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 774 North Sheldon at Junction Space limited to the first 100 kids (734) 416 4278

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

Farmington Hills Cultural Arts

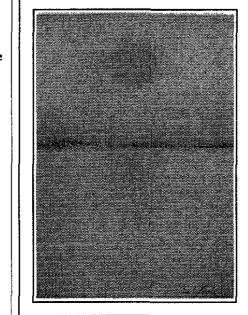
COMMUNITY THEATER

Bloomfield Players: The Sound of Music, 7 3Q p m Friday Saturday, March 15 16 and 2 p m Sunday March 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

Players Guild of Dearborn: Murder by Misadventure continues weekends through Sunday March 17 Curtain 8 p m Friday Saturday 2 30 p m Sunday March 17 21730 Madison Dearborn \$11 Enjoy an evening of romance fea turing a performance of A R Gurney s Love Letters 8 p m Friday Saturday March 22 23 Champagne and dessert reception follows Tickets \$20 benefits the theater (313) 561 TKTS 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 pm Sunday March 17 in the theater at Cranbrook Bloomfield Hills \$12 \$10 students/seniors (248) 644 0527 Special din ner/theater package for March 15 includes dinner at the Ocean Grille and a ticket to the produc tion for \$50 (248) 593 3093 Stagecrafters 2nd Stage: Art 8 p m Friday Saturday March 22 23 and 2 p m Sunday March 24, at the Baldwin Theatre 415 South Lafayette Royal Oak \$10 (248) 541 6430

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Continued from previous page Trinity House Theatre: The Queen of Bingo presented by Flanders Theater Company and Trinity House Theatre 8 p m Friday Saturday March 1516 and 3 p m Sunday March 17 at Trinity House Theatre 38840 West Six Mile Road Livonia \$12, \$10 seniors/students (313) 538-5739 Village Players of Birmingham: Present Neil Simon s Proposals 8

p m Friday Saturday March 15 16 22 23 and 29-30 and 2 p m Sunday March 17 and 24 at the playhouse 34660 Woodward Ave Birmingham \$14 (248) 644-2075

Ecumenical Institute: For Jewish Christian Studies and North Congregational Church of Farmington Hills present Pilate 6 30 p m Sunday March 17 North Congregational Church 36250 12 Mile Road Farmington Hills Free will offering (248) 557 4522

Dearborn Heights Civic Theatre: Steel Magnolias by Robert Harling 8 p m Friday Saturday March 15 16 and March 22 23 3 p m Sunday March 17 and March 24 Berwyn Center 26155 Richardson Dearborn Heights \$8 (313) 561 1275

YOUTH PRODUCTIONS

CAPA Jazz Dance Blow Out: 4 pm and 8 pm Saturday March 16 at Churchill High School 8900 Newburgh north of Joy Livonia (734) 523 8841 Genitti's Hole-in-the wall: Shirley Holmes Girl Detective 11 30 a m lunch with performance Saturday March 16 and March 23 at the restaurant 108 Main St Northville \$11 95 children \$12 95 adults (248) 349 0522 Stevenson High School: Kiss Me Kate 7 30 p m Thursday Saturday March 14 16 at the high school 33500 Six Mile Livonia \$4 \$3 seniors (734) 523-9400

COLLEGE THEATER

Oakland University: Lucky Stiff musical comedy with book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Stephen Flaherty 8 p m Thursday Saturday March 21 23 10 a m Tuesday Wednesday March 26 27, 2 p m Sunday March 24 and 30 and 7 p m Sunday March 24 Varner Studio Theatre Oakland University cam pus Rochester (248) 370 3013 (248) 645 6666

up to 50 tastings of assorted beer door prizes, and complimen tary tasting class Tickets avail able at Merchant Fine Wine loca tions or call (734) 462-4422 All tickets are presale only

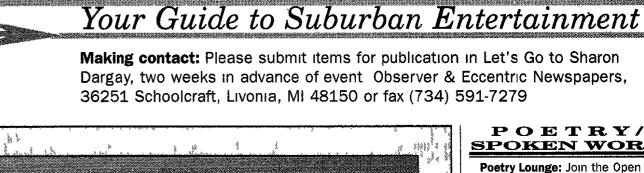
CLASSICAL

Detroit Symphony Orchestra: Perlman and Protege - Itzhak Periman conducts the orchestra 8 pm 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 (313) 576 5111 DS0 presents read ings of new orchestral composi tions by four African American composers 10 30 a m to 1 p m Saturday Sunday March 16 17 No charge For information about reading sessions call (313) 576-5167

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra: Joins the Plymouth Oratorio Society Eastern Michigan University Choir and Plymouth Counsellors Chorale to present the Beethoven's Ninth Symphony 8 pm Saturday March 16 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church 47650 N Territorial Road (corner of Beck Road) Plymouth \$15 seniors and col lege students \$12 50 No charge for children in grades K 12 (734) 451 2112 **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 har 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 8m net Ypsilanti Symphony Orchestra: 8 pm Saturday March 16 at Towsley Auditorium in the Morris Lawrence Building on the cam pus of Washtenaw Community College \$5 advance, \$8 at door (734) 480 4579

GOSPEL





Jazz and shamrocks: Chris Collins will debut his new CD, Jazz from the Shamrock Shore, during his performance at B'Jazz Vespers 6 p.m. Sunday, March 17, at the First Baptist Church, Willits and Bates, Birmingham B'Jazz Vespers, held in the church sanctuary, includes a non-sectarian, 20minute worship interlude between jazz sets. Collins is a professional jazz woodwind player who has toured internationally and played with the Detroit Symphony Pops Orchestra, Lou Rawls, Mel Torme and the Phil. Collins Big Band.

POPS/SWING/ CABARET

Performs 8 p m to midnight Monday at Mitch Housev's

tured (248) 657 2380 wwwmammascoffeehouse org

POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

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

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase: Willie Barcena 8 p m Thursday Saturday March 21 23, addition al show 10 30 p m Friday Saturday, 314 E Liberty (734) 996 9080

Fox Theatre: Jeff Foxworthy per forms stand up 8 p m Thursday, March 21 \$25 \$57 50 (248) 433-1515

Knock Knocks Comedy Club: 3 Scott Homan 8 30 p m Wednesday march 20 at Steve s Texas Smoke restaurant, Rochester (248) 650 8170 Mark Ridley's Comedy Club: Eddle Gossling, also Ross Amicucci Thursday Saturday March 17 19 at the club 269 East Fourth Royal Oak \$6 Thursday \$12 Friday \$14 Saturday (248) 542 9900 Joey's Comedy Club: Doug Stanhope Thursday Sunday March 21 24 8 30 p m Thursday $8\;15\;p\;m$ and 10 45pm Friday Saturday 7 pm Sunday Dinner/show package available Call (313) 584 8885

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

for details 5070 Schaefer Road

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Detroit Institute of Arts Continues its Friday night programming at the museum 5200 Woodward Ave Free with admis sion \$4 \$1 children free for Founders Society members Over The Line The Art and Life of Jacob Lawrence, a major retro spective featuring 160 of the African American artist s works, continues to Sunday May 19 \$8 \$5 age 17 and under Call (313) 833-8499 for exhibition information (313) 833 7900 for general information or visit the Web site at www dia org Henry Ford Museum: Parade of Puppets weekends during March Learn how to make hand puppets enjoy performances by members of the Detroit Puppeteers Guild 9 a m to 5 p m Saturday noon to 5 p m Sunday \$8 50-\$13 50 (313) 271 1570 New museum hours are 9 a m 5 p m Monday Saturday and noon to 5 p m Sunday When Greenfield Village reopens April 1 the same hours apply \$7 50-\$14 (313) 271 1620 For IMAX ticket prices and show times call (800) 747 IMAX

DINNER THEATER

Genitti's Hole-In-the-wall Wild Wild Western Michigan 7 pm Saturday March 16 at the restaurant 108 Main Northville \$45 (248) 349 0522 for reserva tions

SPECIAL EVENTS

Ann Arbor Film Festival:

Continues to Sunday March 17 at the Michigan Theatre in down town Ann Arbor Visit www.aafilmfest.org or call (734) 995-5356

Antiques Festival: 10 a m to 6 p m Friday Saturday March 15 16 and noon to 5 p m Sunday March 17, at The Community House 380 Bates Birmingham \$10 (248) 554-6586 West Side Singles: St Patrick s Day Dance 8 p m to 1 a m Friday March 15 at Burton Manor on Schoolcraft Road west of Inkster Road Livonia Ages 25 and older Dressy attire \$6

(734) 981 0909 Oscar Night America: Black tie Hollywood style event at the Roostertail in Detroit Presented by the Academy of Motion **Picture Arts and Sciences** Sunday March 24 Tickets \$135 per person call (313) 833 7967

DINING ADVENTURES

St. Patrick's Day Cooking Class: At Andiamo West 6676 Telegraph Bloomfield Hills 5 p m Sunday March 17 Features Jim Pirrami tickets \$45 in advance \$50 at the door includes dinner and show (248) 865 9300

Schoolcraft College: Seventh annual Winterfest Beer Tasting 79 pm Thursday March 21 Patrons must be 21 or older Tickets \$35 include fine cuisine,

Yolanda Adams: 8 p m Saturday, March 16 at the Detroit Opera Jpise 1526 Broadway (313) 237 SING

AUDITIONS/ **OPPORTUNITIES**

Jack-in-the-Box Productions:

Stage Combat 101 features real istic safe and practical tech niques 79 pm Monday March 18 (registration 6 45 p m) Audition Survival & Success 79 pm Tuesday March 19 (regis tration 6 45 pm) at the Livonia **Civic Center Library Auditorium** 32777 Five Mile Road east of Farmington Road \$30 each or \$45 for both For reservations call (734) 797 JACK by Friday March 15

Paint Creek Scholarship: Looking for talented high school seniors to apply for a \$2 000 scholarship to be used to further art studies Must reside in Oakland Wayne or Macomb counties Deadline is April 15 Applicants must submit 6 slides of their work, a brief description of work, and two let ters of recommendation from teachers or counselors Call (248) 651-4110

Livonia Youtheatre: Auditions for Cinderella 10 a m to 4 p m Saturday, March 16, and 48 p m Monday March 18 at the Sears Stage in Livonia Mall, Seven Mile and Middlebelt Registration is \$30 Rehearsals begin April 8 (810) 344-7774 Stagecrafters: Auditions for Singing in the Rain 11 a m Saturday March 16 (registration at 10 a m) and 2 p m Sunday March 17 (registration at 1 pm) at the Baldwin Theatre 415 South Lafayette Royal Oak (248) 541-8027

Village Players of Birmingham: Auditions for seven men two women a large mixed chorus and six children ages 8-15 for Annie Get Your Gun 7 30 p m Sunday and Tuesday March 24 and 26 Prepare short upbeat song at the playhouse, 34660 Woodward Birmingham For per formances weekends May 17 to June 1 (248) 554-1312

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

JAZZ/BLUES

B'Jazz Vespers: Featuring Chris Collins and jazz from the sham rock shore 7 p m Sunday March 17 at First Baptist Church Birmingham (248) 644 0550 A free will offering is taken for musicians Ron Brooks Trio: 9 p m Tuesday

and Thursday Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor \$5 cover (734) 662 8310

Ron Carter and Carla Cook: 8 p m Friday March 15, at Orchestra Hall \$18 \$49 (313) 576 5111

Los Gatos: 9 p m Wednesday Bird of Paradise Ann Arbor \$5 cover (734) 662 8310 Kris Lynn: 5 30-8 30 p m Friday, at Harlequin Jazz Cafe Indian Village Detroit No cover (313) 331 0922

Matt Michaels Trio: 8-11 30 p m Wednesday at Ron s Fireside Inn, 28937 Warren Road two blocks east of Middlebelt Road (734) 762 7756 Larry Nozero Jazz Quintet:



Food & Spirits Livonia (734) 425 5520 or visit www.larrynozero.com Tony Pope's N'Orleans Six: 3-6 p m Saturday began Jan 26 and continues every other week end through June 1 at Tom s Oyster Bar Southfield \$6 (248) 476 2674

FOLK/ACOUSTIC

Larry Arbour: 7 10 p m Thursday Friday at Flying Fish Tavern 17600 W 13 Mile east of Southfield Road (248) 647 7747 Ticklepenny Corner: 8 p m Friday April 5 Trinity House Theatre 38840 W Six Mile Road Livonia \$10 (734) 464-6302

Mustard's Retreat Performs at MAMA's Coffeehouse at the Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 N Woodward northwest corner of Long Lake Road Bloomfield Hills Saturday March 16 Open mic 7 15 p m concert 8 p m Admission \$10 seniors and students age 16 and younger \$8 Refreshments will be available Donations of nonper ishable food items will be accept ed for the Lighthouse Food Bank in Pontiac Singer songwriter Lucy Webster will also be fea

Food for thought:

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WORLD MUSIC

Pat McDunn 811 pm Friday, at Duke Humphries Rochester Hills No cover (248) 601 1100 (Irish)

Radomanie Polish Folk Dance Ensemble: 1 p m Sunday March 24 Stitt Post No 232 23850 Military Dearborn Heights Includes a Polish Easter lunch \$19 children 12 and under \$13 Reservation deadline is March 12 (734) 427 8640 Brendan McNulty, Mason and Smith. St Patrick s Day enter tainment beginning 7 30 p m Sunday March 17 Blarney Bay 27758 N Warren Westland Performing 2.7 p.m. Sunday March 17 at Major Tooley s 43333 Seven Mile Road Northville

CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE

Clarkston Village Players: Dance concert featuring Polynesian and Bharata Natyam 1 p m and 7 30 p m Saturday March 23 at the Clarkston Village Players \$15 (248) 625-8811

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble: 8 p m Friday March 22 at the Macomb Center for the Performing Arts on Hall Road between Hayes and Garfield on the campus of Macomb Community College \$22 \$18 seniors (248) 559 2095

SOCIAL DANCING

Moon-Dusters: Ballroom dancing to live bands featuring swing fox trot waitz cha-cha and Latin 8 30 11 30 pm Saturday at the Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile \$5 (248) 967 1428 Line dance classes: At the Italian American Cultural Center 28111 Imperial Dr south of 12 Mile Road Warren Beginner 78 pm Intermediate 8-9 pm Seven week session \$35 call Helen (810) 202 7558 or Diane (586) 573-0668

Wrlght Museum of African American History: In the Spirit of Martin The Living Legacy of Dr Martin Luther King Jr continues to July 28 at the museum, 315 E Warren Detroit (313) 494 5800

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LIVE MUSIC

Ani DiFranco 8 p m Saturday March 16 Hill Auditorium, Ann Arbor \$25 (734) 763 TKTS or (248) 645 6666 Enrique Iglesias: 7 30 p m Wednesday March 20 The Fox Theatre Detroit \$32 \$50 \$60 (248) 433 1515 Great Big Sea Saturday March 16 St Andrews Hall Detroit \$25 (248) 645 6666 Kid Rock: With Twisted Brown Trucker Band 7 30 p m Sunday, March 17, The Palace of Auburn Hills \$35 50 (248) 645-6666 Larry Maxwell: 811 p m Thursday Saturday at Duke Humphries Rochester Hills No cover (248) 601 1100 Project Object: Featuring Ike Willis 8 pm Thursday March 21 The Magic Bag Ferndale \$15 (248) 544 3030 SnoCore Icicle Ball: Featuring Karl Denson s Tiny Universe, Blackalicious, Nikka Costa and Saul Williams 6 30 p m Saturday March 16 State Theatre Detroit \$21 25 (248) 645-6666 Twiztid: 9 pm Friday March 15 The Royal Oak Theatre Royal Oak Tickets \$16 advance, \$17 day of show All ages (248) 645-

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ther by way of a husband or son, but as the daughter of Henry VIII Elizabeth used imagery to portray herself as the ruler of England A Royal Charter from 1571 bears Elizabeth 1conography in the upper left corner In a case to the left is a small agate cameo of Elizabeth from a ring or brooch Elizabeth frequently gave images of herself to her noblemen

"The Virgin Mary was a popular subject in paintings under the Catholic Church Under Protestant rule, Elizabeth became the Virgin

Dangerous women

Chastity is thrown out the window in section three -Seductresses and Other Dangerous Women Jan Gossaert

delivers a mixed or negative message about women in his drawing of Adam and Eve The Apocrypha story about Judith portrays women as good because she saved her people by killing Holofernes The New Testament's Salome 18 seen as evil because she used her feminine wiles to obtain the head of John the Baptist Lucretia is a herome involved in founding the Roman Republic She redeemed her honor by killing herself Her family was so distraught they ended up driving the Etruscans out of Rome

Works from the Uffizi Gallery, the British Museum, Bibliotheque Nationale and Musee du Louvre, Metropolitan Museum of Arts, Los Angeles County Museum of

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Simon Vouet keeps visitors guessing about who Venus is really looking at as she gazes into the mirror From a certain point, it appears as if she's looking at the viewer Not to be missed is the stunning painting of Joan of Arc attributed to Peter Paul Rubens

"It's a look back at an earlier era when women were breaking gender barriers," said Dixon Today women are distinguishing themselves in politics, business, the arts and sports but there's still a glass ceiling Women still have a long way to go "

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Check out the laughs at The Second City in Detroit

Need a few laughs?

The Second City opens its 22nd revue, Jihad It Up To Here, at 8 p m, today

The show, which incorporates local, social and political sketch comedy based on improvisation, runs at 8 pm Thursdays-Sundays, with additional shows at 10 30 pm Fridays and Saturdays

The Second City-Detroit alumnus Nancy Hayden directs the show Tickets are \$15 on Thursdays and Sundays and \$20 Fridays and Saturdays

At 8 pm on Tuesday nights through March 26, catch Show and Osamalama Ding Dong at The Second City's 2 for Tuesdays Topher Owen, PJ Jacokes, mainstage performance of The

Tommy Leroy and other improvisers perform in the multimedia sketch comedy revue, Show

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The Second City-Detroit mainstage actress, Lisa Melinn, will teach a one-day workshop, 1-4 p m Saturday, March 23 on creating characters through movement The workshop focuses on loosening up the body, trusting your gut, releasing emotion and creating compelling, diverse and risky characters

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's a classic," said Pratt "It's strenuous It's a ious piece to sing "

ymouth Symphony conductor Nan Washburn cially looks forward to presenting the symphoits entirety even though this will be the first she's tackled the piece So far it's been a chale meeting with choirs individually then with soloists in between trying to decide on where to all the musicians and singers on stage

addition, Washburn is working with Hilary n to open the program with the composer's natic salute to freedom in memory of the stus killed in Tiananmen Square

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e Mid-Michigan Cat championship and household for senior citizens and \$4 for youth, age 5-12 years The Novi Expo Center is locat-

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ensemble "It's a unique opportunity for students of all ages to work together on a treasure, to take different ethnicities and cultures and unite them with Beethoven's music and share that with the Detroit metropolitan area," said Burke, a Canton resident "It's appropriate to have 350 on stage, a 250voice chorus and the orchestra composed of musi cians from more than 80 high schools, colleges and $\frac{4}{6}$ middle schools, performing the text that encourages us to 'sing more cheerful songs more full of

joy' "It provides a wonderful opportunity for healıng

Clarinetist Joseph O'Kelly thinks it's "going to be great working with the singers and choirs "

Burke chose the Ninth so students in the orchestra would have the opportunity to play a massive work O'Kelly, who performed with the University of Michigan and Eastern Michigan University Honors bands, never played the Beethoven before

The enthusiasm that goes into it is incredible," said O'Kelly, a senior at North Farmington High School "It's probably the best experience I've had so far " Eric McBrien is just as enthusiastic about the Ninth Symphony, but also about where he's performıng – at Orchestra Hall A senior at Franklin High School in Livonia, McBrien studies with DSO bassist

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arke chose the Ninth Symphony because of its sage The Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra lights soloists George Shirley, tenor, Meagan r, soprano, Shirley Love, mezzo-soprano, and Macurdy, bass, along with the Brazeal Den-Chorale, the Plymouth Oratorio Society and

of Good Counsel Church, 47650 N. Territorial Road, (corner of Beck Road) Plymouth. Tickets \$15, seniors and college students, \$12.50. No charge for children in grades K-12. Call (734) 451-2112 Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra with Brazeal Dennard Chorale, EMU Choir and Plymouth Oratoric Society 7 p.m. Sunday, March 24, at Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Tickets \$6, box seats, \$10, call (313) 576-5111

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joins the Plymouth Oratorio Society,

Eastern Michigan University Choir and

Plymouth Counsellors Chorale to pre-

sent the composer's final masterpiece 8

Larry Hutchinson of Farmington Hills and will be playing in exactly the same place as Hutchinson does when he's on stage

"The Ninth is very hard, very energetic," said McBrien who shouldn't have any problems per forming the piece after working with Burke for weeks and attending a master rehearsal with DSO Principal Guest Conductor Itzhak Perlman

The Civic Orchestra regularly brings in visiting artists in addition to holding annual side-by-side rehearsals with DSO musicians conducted by music director Neeme Jarvi

"I'm nervous, but excited (about the master -rehearsal,)" said McBrien "Itzhak Perlman is " probably one of the greatest violinists and conductors in the world '



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Step dancers: Brigid Wilson (left), Jemma Flood and Colleen Ross kick up their heels at the Hellenic Cul tural Center on St Patrick's Dav



from O Hare dance schools in Birmingham and Westland per formed jugs and reels in colorful costumes at the Hellenic Cultural Center A couple of my co work ers and I sat on the edge of the dance floor just so we could watch them up close It amazed us how high they could kick

'I always like to watch the girls dance said Ann Ross of Bloomfield Hills Its a big holi day for us

According to Paddy O Brien leader of Chulrua one of the groups performing at the Irish fest in Westland there isn't a hoopla over St Patrick s Day in Ireland Chulrua named after the favorite wolfhound of Finn

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St Patrick's Day is low profile a Holy Day of obligation for Irish Catholics said OBrien who

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grew up in County Offally in the midlands of Ireland "You wear the shamrock In the olds days we had band pageantry, small festivals held in the fields with a pipe band and sporting event,

Irish Celebrations Motor City Brass Band with fiddler Kelly Garver-Nieto. piper Tyler Duncan, and Celtic Renaissance 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17 at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 26000 Evergreen \$10 \$8 seniors/students, \$25 family (248) 788-6618 or (248) 424-9022

Chulrua ballads by Eddhe McGhnchy and Mick Gavin, The McNeills play the music of Cape Broton, and dancers from O'Hare School of Dance 2 p m till ? Sunday, March 17, at the Hellenic Cultural Center, 36375 Joy, east of Newburgh, Westland \$10 kids free (313) 537-3489

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lots of horse racing, Irish danc ing, and a big parade in Dublin Now there are smaller parties throughout the country with floats, and bands on floats Here there's an emphasis on every thing being green There that would be nonsense There was a lot of poverty in Ireland

"I started playing button accor dion at age 11 harmonica at age 9 Uncle Mark played melodeon my mother and father were singers Other than that there was no music growing up in the 1950s Ireland was very poor There was no money to buy musi cal instruments "

Mick Gavin knew O'Brien before he moved to the US in 1969 in search of a better life It was in the old country O'Brien learned dance music and songs like *Foggy Dew* which can be found on Chulrua's first CD Bare foot on the Altar Their second Down the Back Lane is tentatively scheduled for release this sum mer

"Paddy plays the old style Paddy has 4,000 tunes in his head He's known for his recollection of tunes and their place of origin," said Gavin, a Redford fid dler who'll once again perform with his sons Sean (flute) and Michael (fiddle) Gavin founded the Irish Fest featuring dozens of pipers, dancers and musicians On St Patrick's Day he'll be pick ing up shamrocks before heading to church and then to the Hel lenic Cultural Center where Irish isn't the only music you'll hear The McNeills will be back in their kilts to play the music of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia where many Scots settled

"This will be the most music accomplished day said Gavin "We've never had four major groups and a local singer Eddie McGlinchy of Canton singing ballads I can guarantee the

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DINING OUT

-Local pubs go green this weekend with corned beef, Irish stew and beer

BY RUTH MOSSOK JOHNSTON SPECIAL WRITER

St Patrick's Day, Sunday, March 17, filled with whimsical curled toed little leprechauns, symbolic shamrocks, and Fighting Irish has not only gone mainstream (even Steve's Deli on Telegraph in Bloomfield Township is celebrating food-wise) - this year many dining spots are celebrating for a whole weekend Irish or not!

We've all seen green beer on St Patty's Day, pale-green milk shakes at fast food havens, and even green bagels at the local carb factories - but it's those local pubs to keep an eye on, they are planning some great green fun

Hop in the car and do a pub crawl to some local beer haunts (check for those pubs doing the whole weekend bit) and don't forget on Sunday, there will be no green beer until noon according to Michigan law

Here are some suggestions and have a great green one

Aubree's Saloon and Sticks Pool and Pub - 39 E Cross Street, Ypsilanti St Patrick's Day is filled with more than a weekend of festivities - their big do starts on Thursday A promotion with St Brendan's Irish Creme, specifically on that first day, Thursday, March 14, translates to reduced prices and manufacturer giveaways

Aubree's will offer regular menu plus cream of rueben soup (that has corned beef in it), Irish stew served in a bread bowl, and of course, corned beef and cabbage with a side of potatoes They're open 11 am to 2 am Monday Saturday, noon to 2 a m Sunday

■ Bailey's Pub & Grille -1777 Canton Center Road, (south of Ford Road, Canton Center Plaza), Canton Township, (734) 844-1137 The St Patty's Day brouhaha includes beer specials, party favors, and a Barbecue Smoke House Menu (with the addition of corned beef and cabbage, but of course!), 32 TVs and three rooms with music and sports stuff happening around the clock Restaurant hours are 11 a m to 2 a m Monday-Saturday, and noon to 2 a m Sunday

■ Blarney Stone Pub - 27253 Woodward Ave, Berkley, (248) 541-1881 Will offer live Irish

entertainment, including bag pipers all weekend This quaint pub will serve corned beef and cabbage with Irish potatoes, corned beef sandwiches, piping hot Irish stew in a bread bowl freshly baked soda bread, and their famous Susie Q fish n-chips

■ Cleary's Pub – 113 S Main St, Ann Arbor, (734) 475-1922 The Saturday-Sunday menu includes Irish stew, corned beef dinner with potatoes, carrots, and cabbage along with other Irish fare Live entertainment Friday and Saturday Irish background music on Sunday Regular hours are 11 a m to midnight Monday-Saturday Festive decorations along with an array of green and white lights to also help set the mood Open Sunday, 3-9 pm St Patrick's Day hours are noon to midnight

Conor O'Neill's Irish Pub -318 S Main St, Ann Arbor, (734) 665-2968 St Patrick's day at Conor O'Neill's is an experience, not an event Irish breakfast served 7 a m to noon Sunday March 17 along with their normal fabulous Irish menu for the rest of their long day (bar time)

This is a real live authentic Irish pub The bar, the interior decorations (representational of "Irish life"), the muraled walls, and even the chef, are all imports from the Emerald Isle Chef Mary Van Esbeck 1s from Dublin and was trained at the Ballymaloe Cookery School in Shanagarry County Cork, Ireland The food is a standout The fish and chips are flawless (and not greasy) That isn't found easily anywhere in the UK Don't miss the traditional Shepard's Pie and Boxty (stuffed potato pancakes) Regular hours are 11 30 a m to 2 a m Monday-Saturday, 11 am to 2 am Sundav

🕷 Cowley's Old Village Inn – 33338 Grand River Ave, on the north side of Grand River, just east of Farmington Road, Farmington, (248) 474 5941 Doors open at 11 a m Serving will start at noon Take note There is a \$10 cover charge Three live bands, green beer, and corned beef sandwiches (there will be some additional hand-held food and no tables and chairs) all stand up for a big bash Regulars know the drill — get there early and plan to party until 2 am Normally not open on Sunday Regular hours are 10 a m to 2 a m Monday Friday, noon to 2 a m Saturday

Danny's Irish Pub – 22824 Woodward Ave, Ferndale, (248) 546-8331 Open noon to 2 a m Sunday — bagpipes every hour on the hour (different groups coming in for a pint[†]) Menu special for St Patrick's Day is Corned Beef and Bangers and Mash Expect lots of locals with pints in hand, not exactly a replica of an Irish pub, but it's party time and you can expect those Buds clanking to the pipes!

-34505 Grand River Ave, Farmington, (248) 478 8866 This pub has a full schedule planned for St Patty's Day They'll be open noon to 2 a m on Sunday There will be entertainment until 11 pm that evening Hear the bagpipes 12 pm and Irish singer, Dean Rutledge 3-11 p m The St Patty's Day menu includes traditional fare, corned beef and cabbage and Irish beef stew Green beer will be flowing Open 11 am to 2 am Monday-Saturday On St Patrick's Day the pub will open at

■ Dunleavy's Pub and Grub



Dick O'Dow's – 160 Maple, Birmingham, (248) 642-1135 The weekend will be filled with Irish stuff, full menu and live music Open noon to 2 a m Sunday, and expected to be busy all day Serving a limited menu, definitely Irish fare, but few selections Live music all day Jeremy Kittel, a well known fiddler, will be playing in the afternoon (about 1 p m) The evening will bring out the Irish-roots band, Odd Enough Expect to see some Irish dancers They'll be the ones who know how to clog On St Patrick's Day expect to see bagpipers performing throughout the day The entire interior of this pub is filled with real Irish antiques — worth a peek anytime of the year not only on the big green day!

noon Normally open Sunday, 4 pm to 2 a m

Dunleavy's River Place – 267 Joseph Campau, Detroit, (313) 259-0909 Celebrating all weekend with Friday being the big day (the work crowd will be hanging out!) Limited special menu with corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew in a bread bowl, and some live enter tainment No green beer "I'd rather decorate in green than drink it" says a host representa tive They will reluctantly give you some food coloring if you really want it Irish themed pub Open St Patrick's Day 11 a m to whenever? Regular hours are 11 a m to 3 pm Monday, 11 a.m to 10 pm Tuesday Friday, 5-9 pm Satur day Not usually open on Sunday but will be open for the holiday

Foran's Irish Pub – 612 League sponsors and promotes Woodward Ave Detroit, (313) 961-3043 The St Patrick's Day leg endary party begins this year at noon on the 17th and will rage into the night (actually early morning, ending at 2 a m) Special Irish menu — the traditional stuff Bagpipes coming in throughout the day and other live music planned Don't forget to look up The 25-foot vaulted ceilings were built in 1912 This was an original ticket window for the train station Green beer will flow as well as thick stouts Regular hours don't include Sundays Open 11 a m to 10 pm Monday-Friday, noon to 2 a m Saturday Will be open noon to 2 a m on St Patrick's Day

Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center - 8768 N Territorial Road, Plymouth, (734) 453-7272 St Patrick's Day celebration beginning at noon Saturday, March 16 in the Log Cabin Food and drink specials all day Dancing beginning at 4 pm featuring D J All Around Sound, Party favors

Friendly Sons of St. Patrick - 8269 Eight Mile Road (on the north side of Eight MIle Road, 2 blocks east of Van Dyke) Warren, (810) 758 7602 The Friendly Sons of St Patrick is an Irish social club that was estab lished in 1940 This group promotes and develops Irish culture in the greater metro area Regular activities include darts, charitable events/fundraising, dance classes, an array of outings, and cama raderie with fellow descendants of the Emerald Isle Call for informa tion regarding their club meetings and membership Doors open Sun day at 10 30 a m for a St Patty's Day Brunch

Jack Dunleavy's Grill – 340 N Main St, Plymouth, (734) 455-3700 Saturday and Sunday will be filled with festivities The band is scheduled for Saturday night and throughout the day on Sun day, beginning at noon

Serving Irish fare as well as their normal daily menu, and green beer Open 11 a m to mid night, Monday-Saturday, (kitchen closes at 10 pm), 48 pm Sun day, except for this holiday when the restaurant will stay open until $2 \mathrm{am}$

■ Gaelic League – 2068 Michigan Ave, Detroit, (313) 963 8895 or (313) 964 8700 This established 1920 Corktown cultural events, programs and activities - all Irish (Ceili dancing, step dancing, and classes in Gaelic language) A great venue for local performers and internationally-known Irish entertainers Open 2-9 pm Monday Thursday, noon to 2 a m Friday-Saturday, noon to 9 p m Sunday

O'Grady's Irish Pub - 585 W Big Beaver Road, Troy, (248) 524-4770 A weekend of stuff is planned Friday, Saturday and Sunday The pub is usually closed on Sundays but will be open until 2 am on St Patrick's Day Live entertainment, of course They will serve corned beef and cabbage along with a breakfast buffet (starting at 9 a m) Guinness and other beers on tap - lots to choose from This is a familyowned and operated pub with a stone fireplace, and a bit of that Tartan look Regular hours are 11 a m to 2 a m Monday Saturday

🖩 Sean O'Callaghan's – 821 Penniman Ave, Plymouth, (734) 459-6666 All weekend deal (live music on Thursday for sure!) and taped Irish music on Friday and Saturday No reservations First come first served, but not before noon (open to 2 a m) on St Patrick's Day Various live Irish music all day, modified menu from noon to 6 p m with Corned beef melt, Pub Burger, Chips and Curry (hand cut fries and mild curry dip) After 6 pm cold sandwiches and bagged chips only Aside from their normal 16 taps at the bar there will be six other kegs situated throughout the pub for more beer service Regular hours are 10 30 a m to 2 a,m Monday-Saturday, 11 30 a m to 2 a m Sunday

■ The Old Shillelagh – 349 Monroe, Detroit, (313) 964-0007 Well known party from year to year with tented parking lot space with two tents Live music all day St Patrick's Day menu includes corned beef sandwiches and corned beef and cabbage entrees, Irish stew The bar is on Monroe (corner of Brush) right on the the edge of Detroit's Greektown Open noon to 2 a m Sunday, and weekdays

Woodland's of Van Buren -39670 Ecorse Road, Wayne, (734) 729-4477, St Patrick's Day Brunch 10 a m to 2 p m, adults \$17 25, children ages 5-10, \$5 95, no charge for children under 5

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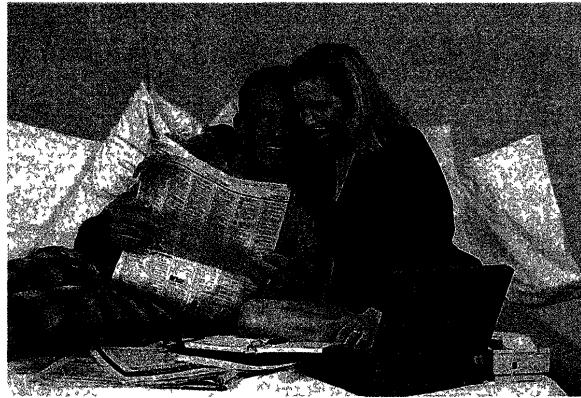
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Airport deal turns on authority appointments

BY MIKE MALOTT HOMETOWN NEWS SERVICE mmalott@homecomm net

Who gets to name the members of an authority to oversee Detroit Metropolitan Airport, under the agreement hammered out between John Engler and Ed McNamara, remains the key issue to legislative approval

Engler and McNamara aren't likely to accept any changes to the make up, according to their press secretaries And immediate effect, needed so that the sit ting governor and county executive can choose those appointees, "is critical"

The plan sped through the state Senate this week, winning approval in 26-10 vote The House will begin deliberating in earnest on the proposal in the week coming Engler's spokesperson Sue Shafer said the House is expected to wrap up work on the bill before leaving for Easter break at the end of the month

Currently, the plan is to give McNamara four appointees, Engler two and the Wayne County Board of Commissioners one

That make up has received the largest amount of discussion, including Wayne County commissioners who feel the board should have more representation Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick has also asked for a seat for Detroit on the authority, and a number of opponents have suggested the appointees should be made not by Engler and McNamara, but by whoever replaces them after the next election

House Minority Leader Samuel "Buzz" Thomas (D-Detroit) said he will be proposing a compromise that would allow Engler and McNamara to pick some of the appointees but would also let their respective successors name appointees as well

Otherwise, Thomas argued, with terms of 6 years and 8 years for authority board members, it is possible that the next governor - whoever wins the election this fall - and next Wayne executive might never be able to name an appointee to the panel

Engler's office, however, said he would not be receptive to that deal McNamara did not respond to the proposal, according to press secretary June West

McNamara did say he considerea immediate effect, so that he can name the four appointees from the county executive's office, to be very important because the next 10 months will be critical for the airport Bonds need to be issued for the renovation of the old terminals McNamara said he doubted the county board would be eager to take action knowing their say in the airport would be diminished Thomas also said he would

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like to get an appointee added to the authority to represent the city of Detroit That amendment was rejected in the Senate before passage there, but Thomas said he would push for it again

"If my mayor asks me, I'm going to try my best to get it," he said

James Koetje (R-Rep

review committee in the House, said he would definitely oppose a Detroit mayor's appointment "This is a county issue," he said "It has nothing to do with the city '

Other than that, however, Koetje said he doesn't know of any particular "poison pill" that would kill the bill He said he Grandville), chair of the airport would consider the concerns

raised by the Wayne County board

Board chairman Ricardo Solomon and Wayne County auditor Brendan Dunleavy spoke to the House airport review committee Thursday, objecting to the bill Solomon said that by giving the majority of appointments to the executive, it would take away Wayne residents' right to representation

Dunleavy argued that authority members would likely know little about airport operations, leaving the administration to run it unchecked Koetje said he agrees immediate effect is important, because the airport is on the verge of selling \$900 million worth of bonds for the renovation of terminals He also said he wants to be able to see the authority board in action before the current session ends, so that sitting lawmakers can determine whether it is operating as they intended or if it needs to be "tweaked a little '

Thomas indicated that overall he is happy with the deal outlined by McNamara and Engler Thomas said he hopes to increase protections in the bill for laborers at the airport and their unions, to assure contracts are honored under the new authority

He said he also wants to add wording that clarifies and shores up the auditing committee's ability to conduct audits The Senate passed the bill with just enough votes to get immediate effect. although the actual vote on immediate effect will come later

Getting the two-thirds majority needed in the House for immediately effect is the biggest obstacle for the plan The House is split 58-52 between Republicans and Democrats, and 74 votes are need for a two-thirds majority





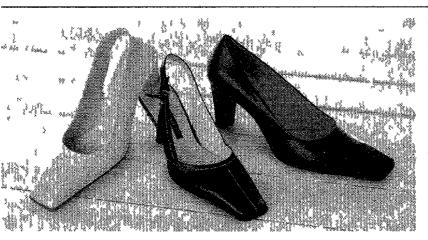
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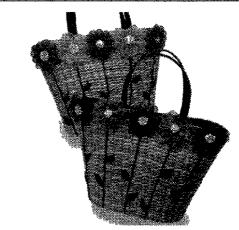
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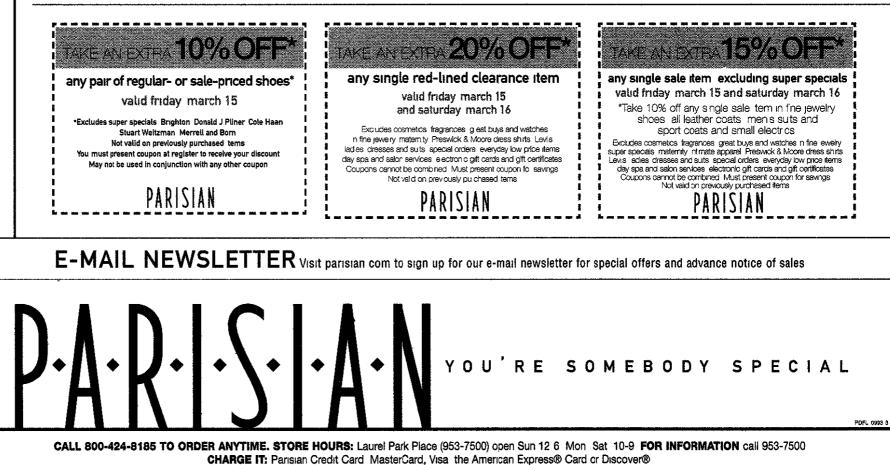


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VICTORIA E. MARSHALL

Services for Vickie Marshall, 90, of Plymouth were held March 8 at R G & G R Harris Funeral Home in Livonia with the Rev Gerald McEnhill of St Gerald

Catholic Church officiating Burial was at Cadillac Memorial West Cemetery Mrs Marshall was born Dec

8, 1911 in Canada and died March 5 in Northville She was a homemaker

Survivors include son, Albert (Janice) Marshall, grandchil dren, Jeffrey (Barbara) and Lesley (Jeffrey) Grund, and great grandson, Nicholas Marshall

Arrangements made by R G and G R Harris Funeral Home

LORRAINE RHEMA FARR

Services for Lorraine Farr, 82, of Plymouth were held March 7 at RG & GR Harris Funeral Home with the Rev John

Quigley of Ward Presbyterian Church officiating

Mrs Farr was born Feb 19. 1920 in Hillsdale and died March 3 in Ann Arbor She retired as an executive secretary for General Motors Overseas Division She was a member of Sigma Beta Sorority Mrs Farr loved to travel

Mrs Farr was preceded in death by her husband, Charles

Survivors include sister-inlaw, Ernest Steslick of Livonia, nieces, Gael Seamark and Jane Orto, and nephew Michael Stes lıck

Arrangements made by R G & G R Harris Funeral Home

LAWRENCE "LARRY" KING

Services for Larry King 63, of Canton were held March 13 at St Matthew Lutheran Church with the Rev Gary D Headapohl officiating Burial

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **REQUEST FOR BID**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3 00 pm Thursday March 28th 2002 for the following

HOUSING REHABILITATION # 2 ONE (1) SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED HOME

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394 5225 All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name company name address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race color national origin sex religion age or disability in employment or the provision of services

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TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC HEARING FY 2002 CDBG ACTION PLAN

Beginning March 14 2002 and for 30 days thereafter Canton Township will accept public comment on the FY 2002 CDBG Action Plan The Action Plan is funded at \$438 000 Comment will be accepted on the following project proposals, First Step \$50 000 Growth Works \$10 500 HelpSource Adult Day Care \$5 000, Mediation Services \$5 000 (approx) Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services, \$20 500 Volunteer Coordinator \$6 500 Leisure Services scholarships program \$2 500 Program Administration \$81 000, Human Service Center Construction \$275 000 (multi year) Housing Rehabilitation \$16 900 Note not all project proposals are necessarily listed not all projects listed will necessarily be approved for FY 2002 nor will all projects accepted for funding necessarily be funded for the requested amounts

The first public hearing for the plan is Wednesday March 27 2002 at 3 00 pm in the first floor conference room Township Administration Building 1150 S Canton Genter Road Canton Michigan The CDBG Advisory Council will conduct the public hearing The second public hearing will be held by the Board of Trustees at 700 pm April 23, 2002 in the Board meeting room at the address above The decisions by the Board of Trustees will be final Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin Development Specialist Resource Development Division 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 (734) 394 5194

TERRY BENNETT Clerk

was at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia

Mr King was born Dec 25, 1938 in Dearborn and died March 9 He had worked at Ford Motor Company for 30 years He was a big sports fan, and was a collector of sports memorabilia, especially from the University of Michigan and the Detroit Red Wings He was also a member of the U of-M Victors Club He did volunteer activity for the Special Olympics and the Shrine Circus. enjoyed golfing and travel He was a veteran of the US Navy and had been a member of St Matthew Lutheran Church for 24 years

Mr King was preceded in death by his parents, Ferdinand and Henrietta King, and son, Joshua Ostapowicz

Survivors include wife, Patricia V King of Canton, daughters, Lori E (Channing) Smith of Jackson, Teri E (John) Ivaniszyn of Canton and Teresa

J (Ken) Nelson of Arlington, Minn, son Ryan L King of Plymouth, daughter, sister, Mary Gregory of Bellaire, and seven grandchildren

Memorial contributions may be made to St Matthew Luther an Church Bldg Fund, 5886 Venoy, Westland, MI 48185 or Make-A Wish Foundation of Michigan, 1669 Hamilton Road, Suite 210, Okemos MI 48864-1809

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

JOHN R. HIBLER

Services for John Hibler, 89, of Plymouth were held March 8 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev Ehas Salomon officiating Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield

Mr Hibler was born Oct 9, 1912 in Rock Springs, Wyo and died March 4 in Plymouth He lived for 30 years in the Plymouth area after having lived in

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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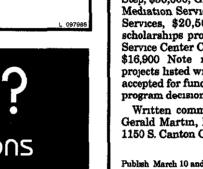
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ated from Brownsville High School in Pennsylvania at the age of 16 He attended the University of Detroit Engineering School for two years He was president of Towne Robinson Company, having worked there for 47 years He enjoyed golf and was a life member of Plum Hollow Golf Club He raised seven children and supported them to achieve their college degrees He faithfully attended seven children's sporting and scholastic events

Detroit for 31 years He gradu-

Survivors include wife, Esther L Hibler of Plymouth, son, John (Anita) Hibler of Dearborn, daughter, Connie Hibler of Golden, Colo, daughter, Jeanine (Bill) Rossbach of Anaheim, Calif, son, James (Cynthia) Hibler of Grand Rapids, son, Thomas (Elaine) Hibler of Birmingham, daughter, Betty (James Olney) Hibler of Clinton, Iowa, son, Joseph (Nanette) Hibler of

Marshall, 15 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren

Memorial contributions may be made to West Trail Care Givers Fund, c/o Vermeulen Funeral Home, or Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 North Territorial, Plymouth, MI 48170

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

SHIRLEY WALKER

Services for Shirley Walker, 37, of Dearborn were held March 6 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev David W Martin officiating

Ms Walker was born June 8, 1964 in Westland and died March 3 in Dearborn She was a member of Risen Christ Lutheran Church She was employed as a secretary

Survivors include mother, Martha Walker of Ocala, Fla, sister, Diana (Howard) Garvey of

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **PUBLIC HEARING** FY 2002 CDBG ACTION PLAN

On Wednesday, March 27, 2002, at 3 00 pm. in the first floor conference room, Township Administration Building, 1150 S Canton Center Road, the Canton Community Development Block Grant Advisory Council will conduct a public hearings on the FY 2002 Canton Township Block Grant (CDBG) Program Action Plan

FY 2002 CDBG Action Plan The program will be funded at \$438,000 Public comment will be accepted on the following project proposals, First Step, \$50,000, Growth Works, \$10,500, HelpSource Adult Day Care, \$5,000, Mediation Services, \$5,000 (approx), Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services, \$20,500, Volunteer Coordinator, \$6,500, Leisure Services scholarships program, \$2,500, Program Administration, \$81,000, Human Service Center Construction, \$275,000 (multi-year), Housing Rehabilitation, \$16,900 Note not all project proposals are necessarily listed, not all projects listed will necessarily be approved for FY 2002, nor will all projects accepted for funding necessarily be funded for the requested amounts Final program decisions are made by the Board of Trustees

Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin, Development Specialist, Resource Development Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, (734) 394-5190 TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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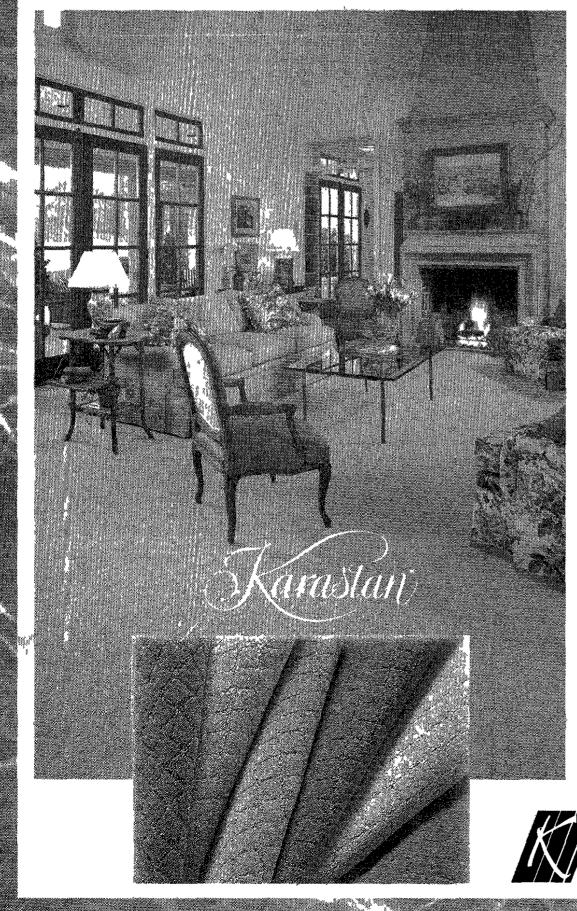
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Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association Michigan Affil-1ate, Inc, 30600 Telegraph Road, Suite 2255, Bingham Farms, MI 48025

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

ERIKA WITTNER

Services for Erika Wittner, 61, of Canton were held March 9 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev Melvin Leach officiat-

Ing Mrs Wittner was born April 10, 1940 in Yugoslavia and died March 7 in Canton She was a homemaker

Survivors include husband, Edward Wittner of Canton, son, Michael (Robin) Wittner of Clinton Township, son, Perry (Laura) Wittner of Seffler, Fla , son, Jeffrey Wittner of Garden City, son, Randall (Kristina) Wittner of Plymouth, parents, Frank (Elizabeth) Lehrer of St Clair Shores, sister, Wilma (Edward) Cutlip, sister, Monika (Charles) Orlando, sister, Brigette Peterson, brother, William (Cindy) Lehrer, brother, Klaus (Linda) Lehrer, sister, Betty (Charles) Wolf, sister, Linda Lehrer, grandsons, Daniel Wittner, Ryan Wittner and Blake Bartlett, and granddaughters, Sarah Wittner and Sarah Bartlett

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Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

OBITUARIES

STEVEN ALLGEYER

Services for Steven Allgeyer, 39, of Westland were held March 9 at St Richard Catholic Church with the Rev Terence Treppa officiating Burial was at Oakland Hills Memorial Park in Novi

Mr Allgeyer was born Aug 31, 1962 in Detroit and died March 6 in Westland He was selfemployed as an exercise physiologist

Survivors include wife, Margo Allgeyer of Dearborn, daughter, Alyssa Allgever of Dearborn. daughter, Joy Allgeyer of Dear born, parents, John (Patricia) Allgeyer of Westland, brother, Joseph (Marcie) Allgeyer of Canton, sister, Colleen (Mickey) Howell of Murfreesboro, Tenn, and sister, Deborah (Michael) Murray of Canton

Arrangements made by Ver meulen Funeral Home

GEORGE ZAK

Services for George Zak, 69, of Canton were held March 12 at L J Griffin Funeral Home Canton Chapel

Mr Zak was born Aug 10, 1932 in Detroit and died March 9 at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital He worked as a tool-and-die maker in the automotive field

Survivors include wife, Mary Ann, son, Stephen, daughter, Cynthia, daughter, Patricia (Robert) Bennett, son, Jeffrey, daughter, Mary, brother, Carl (Theresa), nephew. Douglas. niece, Kim (Jack) Rautbort, and three great-nieces

Arrangements made by L J **Griffin Funeral Home Canton** Chapel

ANDREW PRUNER

Services for Andrew Pruner, 90, of Westland were held March 11 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev George Charnley officiating Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

1911 in Boswell, Pa and died March 8 in Garden City He came to the Westland community in 1998 from Au Gres Mich Prior to Au Gres, he lived in Redford He retired from Ford Motor Company in Highland Park in 1974, having served as a supervisor in quality control He was married to Josephine for 68 years He was a scout leader As a hobby, he made bird houses

Mr Pruner was born June 2,

Survivors include wife, Josephine of Westland, daughter, Gloria Mog of Plymouth Township, son, Andrew Pruner of Fla, five grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and sister, Florence Demeter of Arizona Arrangements made by

Schrader-Howell Funeral Home

WANDA M. BOWERS

Services for Wanda Bowers, 81, of New Haven, Ind were held March 9 at Casterline Funeral Home in Northville, with the Rev John Shinn of Calvary Baptist Church officiating Burial was at Lapham Cemetery in Salem Township

Mrs Bowers was born July 24, 1920 in Marrow County, Ohio and died March 5 in Indiana She was a Plymouth resident for 64 years before moving to Indiana in 1993 Before retirement, he was an inspector for Burroughs Corp He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Canton until her move to Indiana

She was preceded in death by her husband, George, parents, Craven (Lununa) Squires, one brother, and one sister

Survivors include daughter, Sandra (Kenneth) Klinski of Monroeville, Ind , three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, two sisters, and a sister-inlaw

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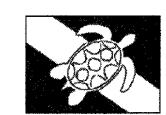
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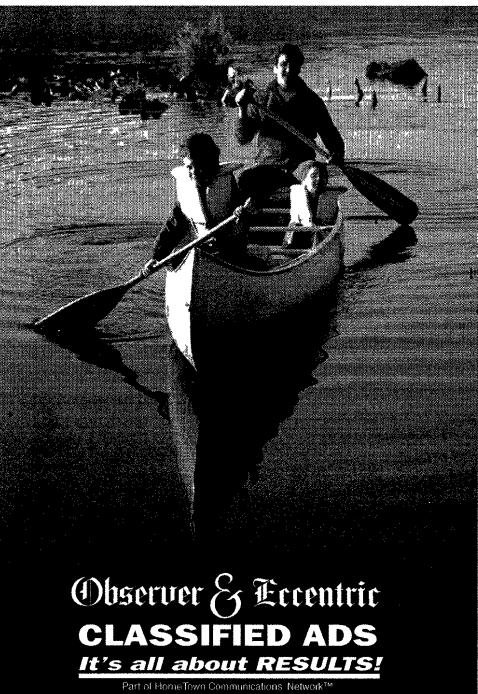


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Board hired Booher, who's doing her job

For what seems an eternity, ever since the "issue" of what may or may not be done with Central Middle School was created during the last city election, local critics have railed against the performance of Kathleen Booher

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But, like it or not, Booher is the superintendent of the district, and intends to con tinue with the direction she's crafting for the district, with the help of the sevenmember board that hired her While there are some concerns, she was hired to do a job and continues in the face of increasingly public criticism from a couple of vocal skeptics

No one — including Booher — questions the right of former board members Mark Horvath and Mike Maloney to challenge Booher's ideas, leadership and performance But in so doing, we hope the pair, and others who seek to criticize, are painting with an accurate brush

Maloney has been particularly vocal in his criticism of Booher, especially her handling of finances We find this odd, since the district is going to contribute \$1.7 million to the fund balance this budget year, and is projecting a \$1 2 million contribution next year

After that, it's going to fall off quite quickly as the constraints of Proposal A and a slowing of growth begin to pinch purse strings In a district where 85 percent of the expenses are set for contracted services, including teacher salaries and health benefits, there 1sn't much more to mismanage, and no evidence Booher is doing so

Is Booher restricting the public's access to the decision-making process? You tell us Horvath and Maloney have requested hundreds of documents under the Freedom of Information Act They get the same packet of information board members get before meetings

Booher created five different "vision"

targets for administration critics The claim has been made Booher's idea of mainstreaming the Talented and Gifted Program would run the program, despite the fact it would allow 50 percent more participation than the current magnet program, a fact generally ignored in published criticisms

Is mainstreaming TAG a done deal? Certainly not Is it a good idea? It's tough to argue with an idea that allows more participation, although it would make giving TAG kids the attention they need problem atic Still, we think judgment should be withheld until all the discussion is in

There are some causes for concern A policy change discussed last week would require board members to hold in confidence "privileged" information, without spelling out what that information might be But the Open Meetings Act already spells out what governmental entities are allowed to withhold, so this policy seems unnecessary The jury is still out on Booher's plans for TAG, and she's got some serious budget problems looming

We also take issue with a possible policy change that would require board members seeking information from the administration acquire a majority vote in order to have their requests answered While we agree too many cooks spoil the broth, individual board members should be able to get simple information without having to move heaven and earth

Members of the board of education hired her for her leadership and management style, which is much more forceful than may be palatable for some She should cer tainly be held accountable for her decisions, and she'd probably benefit by not complaining so much when members of the community — including vocal, harsh critics exercise their rights

If Mark Horvath and Mike Maloney real-



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Excellent idea

The proposed plan to build a skate park in Plymouth is an excellent idea A skateboard park is just what kids in the Plymouth-Canton area need with the fast growing number of skateboarders

PINION

Right now there is a fine of \$70 for skateboarding in the downtown area My friend and I each received a ticket last year for skateboarding and so did many other kids

The problem is that there's no good place to skateboard in Plymouth that isn't against the law The city has many sets of stairs, ledges and rails to skate, but none of these places are legal

The nearest good skate park 1s probably Meyer Park in Brighton, but not everyone wants to drive all the way out there to have fun

If Plymouth Township were to build a skate park in the area, it would be a great solution to the problem of kids skating downtown The city would make a good amount of money even if it charges a low price to use the park

ed" by this action

It seems to me that the only ones blind about what was about to happen were the commissioners themselves, what with their paltry performance thus far in administering to their duties relative to the new airport

When two opposing political giants see fit to bury their hatchets in order to achieve a more reliable alternative that pretty well says it all

The article pictured the commission ers on board a rather luxurious customized bus, drinks in hand, on their way to Lansing to lobby against the proposed new airport authority gee, wonder who paid for that ride!

Lyn Bankes, one of the commissioners, was quoted as saying that McNa mara and Engler were known to be

working out this deal that screws taxpayers - what an obnoxious and uncouth manner for a legislator (male or female) to express themselves, by using locker room terminology

Incidentally, in that same date publication is an article advertising that Ms Bankes will be hosting a forthcoming "Wayne County Women in Government Networking Breakfast" which is scheduled for March 6 I would hope that someone tutors her prior to said event, educating her on the more refined points of public speaking

One, Proposal A and two, their millages for special education services (the same deal Mark Horvath calls bad) are much higher then Wayne County's, even with the proposed increase

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What passing this millage will do is help offset the costs the district incurs for sending students to center-based programs in Wayne County

As the parents of autistic children attending a center-based program we can tell you that these programs cannot be duplicated in district

Plymouth-Canton does not have the financial resources or classroom space to even attempt to place these students let alone the trained personnel to educate severely disabled students

Some may believe in "inclusive" settings as a method to save money on special education programs but we would warn you that many of our classrooms already have at-risk students with behavior issues, let alone giving a teacher without proper training a student with a severe disability and behavior issues

teams, made up of about 100 people Joining one would have shown a willingness to be part of potential solutions, rather than just pointing out problems Horvath did that, Maloney did not

"Hot button" issues have been popular rately between now and then

ly want to do something about what they perceive as problems in the district, they get their chance, just like everyone else, in the June school board election They should raise their issues respectfully, and accu-

Words teach youngsters lessons TV can't approach

GUEST OPINION

March is reading month

Here at The Observer that's very important We do everything we can to encourage young readers, hoping that someday they'll become regular newspaper readers

But beyond those selfish motives, we understand how important it is to read

Words are magical They allow us to communicate lots of information in a relatively compact package They are a source of knowledge, entertainment and inspiration

Technical writers lead us through complex operations Historians explain where we've been Journalists tell us where we are Novelists take us on adventures Poets make music of words and transport us to new understanding

We know that many things vie for the attention of the young The television, computer games and socializing all compete for time But books have been holding their own in recent years Millions of young readers have actually turned away from

Parents, take control

are lacking respect and humanity This

A significant number of children today

isn't a statement made by an elderly person

I am 18 and I see the signs of my genera-

thinking only their generation was excep-

tion and future generations deteriorating

Many of my peers are going beyond the

timeless adolescent disrespect They are

now resorting to violence among other neg-

I fear that my children are going to be

In school, I hear the word hate all too

essary to either fit in or stand out Not

many are just happy being themselves

various derogatory words as he ordered

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At work the other day, a 9-year-old used

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the television to read a book The phenomenal success of the Harry Potter series is proof that young people will always respond to a well-told story In time, they'll also find that the words that entertain them can also teach them Once they master the words, the words will take them on many adventures, real and imagined

Adults need to show the way Read to your little ones From Dr Seuss to Captain Underpants, the world of children's literature is wide and varied Then encourage them to read themselves, whether it's serial mysteries or funny stories or the fantasies that have been absorbing so many Talk to them about what they read, ask questions and let them ask questions

Turn the TV off and pick up a book, magazine or newspaper The best way to encourage reading is to set a good example And your reward will be that you, too, will be transported to a world of adventure, knowledge and inspiration

And, the police would spend less time worrying about skateboarders during the summer and spend more time on important issues

Plymouth kids definitely need a skate park, and the sooner one is built, the better

Steve McGuigan Plymouth

Facts missing

In response to Mark Horvath's letter concerning the upcoming millage, I was disappointed he failed to mention Act 18 or special education

The August millage is to support Act 18 which funds center-based programs for special education within Wayne County Without Act 18, each district would have to financially support their own program

Act 18 is already in serious debt and if the millage doesn't pass, taxpayers will have to foot an even bigger bill in the future Most districts couldn't afford to do this In turn, this results in lesser quality special education programs or no programs

My daughter who is severely disabled attends Old Village School in Northville The quality of her educational future is relying on the passing of Proposal A

This proposal will benefit all the students in the county not just special education, but it is absurd to insinuate Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Superintendent Kathleen Booher would be utilizing these funds for her own agenda

I encourage all voters to vote "yes" next August for Proposal A

Stacey Laho Canton

Obnoxious talk

The Observer publication dated Feb 28 contained a rather extensive article detailing the "anger" voiced by several Wayne County Commissioners concerning the deal brokered by County Executive Ed McNamara and Gov John Engler to turn control of the county's airport over to an independent authority

The term used by one of the commissioners was that they were "blindsidP.E. Recker Livonia

Life predestined

In response to Keely Wygonik's review about Nancy Groves' book, "Faith and Illness, Reflections on God's Sustaining Love," where's the love?

If God just stands by and watches you suffer, or if he can't do anything to help you, or won't, what good is he and why should we worship Him?

We rationalize, when terrible things happen to us, so that we can go on living, we say things are out of our control, so we must suffer

Job suffered, but wound up renewed, rich and healthy Christ suffered but wound up in heaven But where do we fit in? No answer? Me neither, with all of my studying, praying and reading

If I could afford it, I'd publish my own book I've helped many non-paying patients get out of depression, etc I've had plenty of experience with people, and I've got ideas and tales to tell

But who will listen to me, since I am not a doctor, nor licensed

I believe we have no control over anything and our lives are predestined no matter what we say, try, do, or don't do

Maybe things will be different in heaven, if we ever get there

Leon I. Schoichit **Farmington Hills**

Look at all sides

Although we appreciate the energy Mark Horvath expends as a public watchdog, we thought it was a little deceiving to the public to call the Act 18 proposed millage a bad deal for our community

Plymouth and Canton residents expect and deserve quality education for all students

Many times people ask why Oakland and Washtenaw have better programs and more money

It would be unfair to the student with the disability, unfair to the teacher and unfair to the rest of the students

As a community, we need to remember to look at all sides of the issues using complete information before deciding what is a good or a bad deal

Today, you may not need or know of anyone who uses a center-based program but it should be a comfort to you to know that they exist for the benefit of those who need them

Center-based programs do not just care for students born with disabilities They also exist for students that suffer head injuries from bike accidents, become hearing impaired from illnesses, and other things that just happen in life

In the upcoming months, please consider these things when deciding what 1s a good or a "bad deal "

Larry and Cora Lee Dr. Derek and Christina Bair **Canton Township**

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As I was driving out of the parking lot, some 15-year-olds decided they didn't have to move out of the path of my car They were so special that I would just have to go around them Maybe this behavior was the effect of parents too afraid to discipline

some nachos and a freezie

them, or too busy trying to make a living they couldn't supervise the media choices their children were making

I fear going out into the real world as I leave high school But I also fear for the kids that will be taking my place behind the deformed desks What good comes from a world where kids are taught how to raise their test scores, but not how to uphold the Golden Rule

I think it's time people stop buying flags to support America and start instilling themselves into our future generations so there will still be an America to support

Amanda Pokorny Redford

THER **OPINIONS**

Time to tweak Proposal A, which has hurt area schools

"And, they lived happily ever after!" makes a perfect ending for fairy tales, but there have been very few "happily ever afters" for Metro Detroit school districts since Proposal A was drafted

The authors of the school funding legislation. the legislators who passed the measure at the 11th hour on Christmas Eve, 1993, and the voters who approved it on the Ides of March, 1994,



would be the definitive and final chapter on how to best fund public schools Yet just as the US and Michigan Constitutions have been amended several times, it is time to amend, tweak, revise or alter Proposal A

believed that Proposal A

The concerns that have been voiced and the questions which have been raised by those who have dealt with Proposal A for the past eight years have gone unheard and

Martha Trafford

unanswered Most elected state officials and their wanna-be counterparts are reluctant to reach out and touch the Holy Grail of Michigan school finance, especially in a pivotal election year

Determined to keep the legacy of the Engler years intact, the party-in-power in Lansing raves that Proposal A continues to be "an unparalleled success " Press releases continually tout the tax relief that the legislation delivered to property owners over the past eight years When the lowest funded school districts reached the per pupil funding level of \$6,500 this year, a spokesperson for the governor declared, "it's basically brought equity across the board "

The fact that property taxes in Michigan in 1993 were minth highest in the nation in what initially drove the Proposal A legislation Most likely property taxes would never have reached such a high level, if state government had adequately and responsibly funded public schools when it controlled the education purse strings in the past

Regarding the praise that is heaped on Proposal A for delivering funding equity, do parents and school officials in the Redford Union District believe there is "equity across the board" when their district receives less per pupil than the charter schools in Wayne County receive? Is it fair that Livonia Public Schools, faced with declining enrollment served as the state's model? Where is the equity for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, which must compete for quality employees - from bus drivers to administrators in the same job market with nearby districts which receive about \$1,000 more in per pupil grant?

Under Proposal A, property-poor districts (mostly outstate) were given yearly funding increases of up to 40 percent to close the equity gap, while nearly all metro Detroit districts received yearly increases of only 1-3 percent since 1994 As Proposal A "lifted some boats," it submerged many other districts in a sea of red ink

Two-thirds of the 83 districts in the tri-county area are facing deficits Metro Detroit districts

have swapped places with the "Kalkaskas" of yesterday (those districts that struggled with funding pre-Proposal A) Since the majority of Michigan's children attend school in the more populated Detroit area, it becomes clear that Proposal A is failing to provide for the educational needs of most of Michigan's children

No one advocates impulsively throwing out Proposal A in its entirety and starting over in the fashion in which the legislation was created We ought to be able to change the parts of Proposal A which don't work and don't adequately meet the needs of the majority of Michigan's children

For starters, state officials can close the loopholes which allows some builders to avoid paying the full amount of the real estate transfer tax which goes into the school-aid fund Here are some other "suggestions"

Grant districts at least a minimal cost-of-living increase each year

Return the responsibility for teacher retirement and Social Security costs back to the state

Allow districts an option to raise up to 4 mills locally, so education will be tailored to the unique needs of each district's students

To ignore what is happening to metro Detroit districts (and many others) under the terms of Proposal A, is foolhardy and irresponsible on the part of elected officials Like a pain reliever, the anticipated \$200 per pupil increase for 2002-03 school year will help in the short term, but will not halt the pervasive malady afflicting metro Detroit schools

Your attendance at the Third Statewide Summit on Public School Funding on March 25 will send the message that Proposal A needs tweaking, amending etc Sponsored by the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding and hosted by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, the Summit will take place at Plymouth-Salem High School, 7-9 p m

Dr David Plank, director of the Education Policy Center at Michigan State University will serve as the moderator Thomas Watkins, state superintendent of education, is the guest speaker Further information can be obtained at the Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding web sitw www mischoolfunding org

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Mike Malott

If we are going to devise an economic system in which lots of individuals are encouraged to sell their labor to companies for pay - and corporate America depends on the availability of a huge pool of workers — then we have to be ready to lend a hand when those employees occasionally wind up out of work

If we are going to expect individuals to scale the economic ladder for themselves, we have to have some system to catch them when they fall off, as some inevitably will

There is a societal benefit That safety net eliminates a lot of the mess the rest of us would just have to clean up one way or another

But it was interesting to sit down with Rich Studley, spokesman for the Michigan Chamber of Commerce, to get his take on unemployment compensation Studley's job is to serve as the voice of business in Lansing, giving the perspective of company owners to those who make the laws

Since I, like most, have never owned a business, it's a perspective I don't come by naturally My view, like most who draw a paycheck, comes from that vantage point

Nonetheless, as state legislators hammer out a bill intended to raise the maximum benefit for jobless workers, it is, I think, an important perspective for us to keep in mind

"It's the cheapest insurance policy you will ever have," Studley explains

Yea, an insurance policy, very much like the policies your boss takes on your behalf for medical coverage, or prescription drugs, or dental care An insurance policy like the ones you buy to protect your car and home

It's the cheapest because workers aren't expected to pay for it "It is 100 percent employer paid," Studley notes That is in contrast to medical, dental and drug coverage because employees are increasingly being asked to pick up premium copays and deductibles

Insurance typically isn't intended to cover from the first dollar lost And like other forms of insurance, there's a maximum benefit How big that is depends entirely on how much one is willing to pay in premiums

As legislators debate raising the maximum weekly jobless benefit from the current level of \$300, first set back in 1995, and whether it

Business offers a different perspective on unemployment comp

I don't think anyone disputes the idea of unemployment compensation as "social safety net" any more

should go to \$362 per week or \$415 per week, Studley says the Chamber 1s asking in return for the initiation of a "waiting week" Studley contends it is intended to offset to some degree the cost of those increased weekly benefits But he also argues it is justified because it should bethought of as the deductible in your unemploy-

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Unemployment insurance is already pretty pricey for companies, Studley argues The jobless comp system will pump between \$600 million and \$800 million from employers to laid-off workers each year, even in times of low unemployment When there is moderate unemployment, as there is now, the figure can reach as high as \$1 billion per year

He further argues that putting those benefits too high might even serve as a disincentive for. people to go out and find work It is supposed to . be insurance for the loss of a job, he contended, ¹ not paid vacation

When companies have had to trim their work-³ force and have asked for volunteers to get laid off - even at the current level of \$300 per week they have often found more volunteers than they' need

Studley also contends the compensation system". puts another tax on companies, essentially on the number of employees they can hire The higher unemployment benefits go, the higher payments from employers into the compensation system have to go, and the result is fewer jobs that those $^{\rm o}$ companies can provide

Said Studley, "What lawmakers do not always" get is that if you tax something, you get less of it "

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Bill lets schools review test 'irregularities'

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Rep Judith Scranton (R-Brighton) expects lawmakers to swiftly pass legislation that would give school districts a chance to review and respond to test "irregularities" before they are made public

The bill is a response to a controversy last "summer in which a list of 71 districts, that "had "irregularities" in the results of their Michigan Education Assessment Program tests, was released publicly before those districts had a chance to review the problems

The implication was that cheating may have occurred in those districts where "irreg ularities" were spotted

In the end, the State Treasurer Doug Roberts apologized for the release of the list He explained to lawmakers that the list has been leaked to the press, so the department simply made the list public while it notified school districts that they would appear on it Nonetheless, many districts were able to quickly explain the irregularities as something other than cheating

Scranton's bill requires that school district administrators get five days to review any

irregularities spotted in their MEAP fest results and have a chance to respond before the list is made public in the future

Scranton's proposal, House Bill 5049, won unanimous approval from the House Education Committee recently It is expected to come up for a vote in next week

Scranton said Roberts has already talked to her about the bill, saying his department has already adopted similar rules regarding the list of the MEAP irregularity list

Scranton said "I don't forget easily "

reporter

"Sorry 1sn't good enough in this case,"

Bill would ban blueprint possession by terrorists

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Although Michigan lawmakers are working to pass an anti-ter-From sackage, they're not sure "they are willing to outlaw "cas-"ing" a public building or other "vulnerable targets '

While state representatives were passing several pieces of their terrorism package last week, Senate Bill 939 - which makes it a felony to case a building "with intent to terrorize" ---fell short of the number of votes needed for passage The vote board was cleared without a tally being taken, allowing House leaders to bring the bill back another day

At least six Republicans split

from the caucus to oppose the bill, including Rep Pan Godchaux (R-Birmingham)

The bill would make it a 20 year felony to possess a blueprint, evacuation plan dia gram or conduct surveillance of a public structure if done with intent to commit an act of terror ısm

Rep Jennifer Faunce (R Warren), a proponent of the bill, argued that supporting evidence would be needed to show that there really was an intent to terrorize, and she contended there are already many laws on the books which rely on showing intent to get a conviction "It depends on what counts as

that supporting evidence Anoth er blueprint?" Godchaux said

She argued that some of the bills proposed in Lansing will do little to improve safety from terrorist attacks, but will only provide a false sense of security

Rep Bill McConico (D-Detroit) argued "the bill is so broad and so vague it will give police further reason to conduct racial profiling'

The bill currently protects only 'public structures," which are defined as government owned or operated buildings

Proponents hope to amend the bill to include other "vulnerable targets' such as nuclear power plants, natural gas storage yards and petroleum deposits Law makers voted to pass bills in the package increasing criminal penalties for acts of terrorism,

tightening down on issuance of drivers hcenses, and tightening admission to flight training schools

Godchaux argued that even if those rules had been in effect earlier they would not have kept the terrorists who perpetrated the Sept 11 attacks from signing up for flying lessons

One controversial piece of the anti-terrorism package did win approval Senate Bill 730 allows judges to suppress information about a search warrant or items seized in that search until formal charges have been filed against the suspect as a result of that search

The measure passed in a 75-29 vote

Seminar looks at good health

Laughter – good old-fashioned guffaws - can be as beneficial to good health as aerobic exercise, says Lila Lazarus, Channel 4's health

It raises the body temperature, lowers the blood pressure, boosts the immune system and gives inner organs a workout.

Lazarus will deliver this message and more as the keynote speaker at the Schoolcraft College annual seminar celebrating Secretary's Day Wednesday, April 24, at the Novi DoubleTree Hotel The seminar will focus on good health, stress management, and communication, with some beauty tips and free prizes added for balance and fun

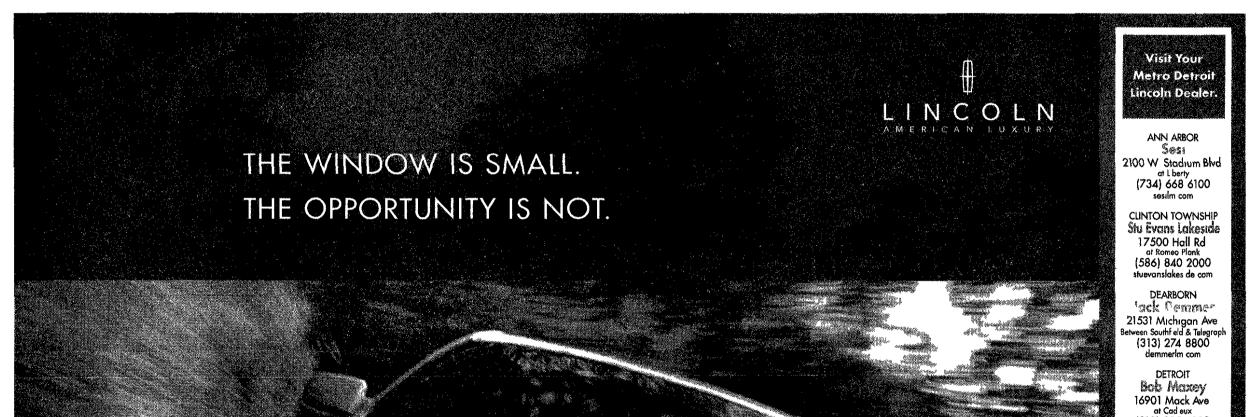
Following Lazarus' presentation, there will be sessions on Putting More Pleasure in Your Life A New Approach to Stress Management and Communicating Up, Down and Sideways

The \$99 fee includes lunch, exhibits on health and nutrition and door prizes that such as an overnight stay for two at the DoubleTree Hotel and a spa treatment from TRUTH Salon Participants must register before the seminar

For information or a registration form, call 734-462-4448



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Extinguish potential fire hazards

Editors note

This is the second part of a two part series on fires You might have two potential fire hazards in your kitchen drawer -- a candle and exten sion cord The candle says to the extension cord 'light my fire

tatistics provided by State Farm Insurance Company show deaths from candles have increased dramatically in the last 20 years

A majority of these casualties took the lives of children under the age of 15

Carelessness is the main cause of these fires Half of them started in a bedroom or in rooms where furniture and curtains ignited The most com mon area for placing lighted candles, the dining room, seldom catches fire because it is usually under observa tion

Candles are known to cause need less service calls and expense for consumers on major appliances They leave a residue on the inside walls of refrigerators, stoves and dishwash ers

This can be caused by a burning candle in the kitchen or nearby room

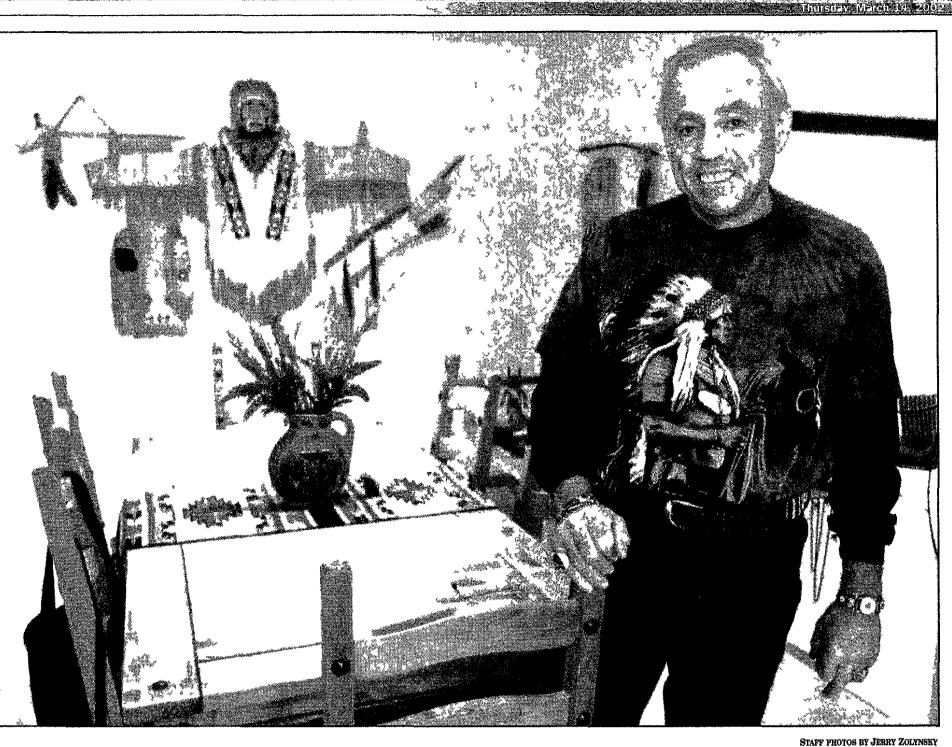
Extension cords

In the past six years about two mil lion extension cords were recalled because of the potential for fire shock or electrocution

These cords could not meet the demand of the appliances for which they were

'Imagine, over 50.000 house fires a year caused by

sion cords are responsible for about 40 000 house fires each



His style: Artist Hal Brenner, of West Bloomfield, collects Native American and Southwestern art His favorite shop is Native West in Plymouth He also visits Arizona for inspiration

Southwestern Native American art draws STV

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

immi@oe homecomm net Hi You ve reached the friendly Intricately beaded throws in the shape Arbor Trail in downtown of reptiles accent his bedroom and a Plymouth that carries

tributes to the Southwestern tone that and jewelry Brenner also finds rare

confed salt and pepper hair pulled back into a small pony tail He wears origiheavy raw wooden dining set con- Native American-made art, furniture nal Native American-made turquoise and silver rings A big silver belt buckie completes his outfit of black denim jeans and matching Native Americansilk screen T-shirt

candles and extension cords, unbelievable amounts of damage. injuries and deaths all because of something so obvious.'

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injuries and 120 deaths If you need to purchase an extension cord look for the UL or ETL certifica tion label on the product Buy an exten sion card with polarized

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risk of electrical shock

Never cover any part of the cord with rugs or other objects while its being used If a cord feels hot to the touch, it's not strong enough to carry the electrical current Throw the thing away

If you're working outside, use an extension cord that's designed for outside use I have seen many prod ucts new and old destroyed by the use of extension cords

A reduction in voltage occurs when you use a cord, and this can certainly cause a motor to fail It can also void the warranty on a new product leav ing you with the expense of repair

Unnecessary damage

Imagine, over 50,000 house fires a year caused by candles and extension cords, unbelievable amounts of dam age, injuries and deaths all because of something so obvious

The pilgrims who landed in this country were simple folks, but I believe they were smarter than many of us

Their lives were filled with a word we seldom use today That word is cognizant Stay tuned

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teepee of Hal Brenner if you would like a returned smoke signal please leave a message and I will contact you soon

Step into Hal Brenners immaculate West Bloomfield condo and enter a world of Native American decor sprin kled with upscale Southwestern accents

First however please leave your shoes at the door

Meander through his home and examine carefully placed art like the red framed watercolor painting of a Native American woman perched upon a burro A life size carved Native American statue sitting atop a saddle is the focal point of Brenner's den



Replica: A lizard sits atop a Southwestern patterned throw on Hal Brenner's living room coffee table An autographed photo of Elizabeth Taylor is set nearby

echoes throughout his whole condo No art on trips to Arizona corner is ignored A trash can made

Southwest pattern in another, and jars of pretty red fresh chili peppers are placed inten tionally on a kitchen counter Brenner notices

details His decor comes mainly from Native West, a shop on Ann

"I'm drawn to Scottsdale, the mounfrom a hollowed birch tree trunk is in tains of Sedona," Brenner said "I'm one corner a wrought iron chair with a Jewish, but I'm drawn to the Native

American and Southwestern art and the style A psychic once told me that I was Native American in a past life you just never know' Brenner 1s a

recently retired technical illustrator with well-

Pleasing himself

He decorates his home to please himself Brenner said he isn't interested in trends Brenner began his collection forty years ago, before Native American and Southwestern decor were even popular Of course, Native American and Southwestern style hit the mainstream in the 1980s and waned in the late 1990s, but recently there's been a resurgence, said Native

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Collection: These small Native American statues decorate the mantle in Hal Brenner's living room.

Antiques market offers accessories for home, garden

Personal touch: Hal Brenner

designed the mantel in his

living room

BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER mklemic@oe homecomm net

Savor the promise of spring and get away from winter by visiting Michi gan's Home and Garden Antiques Mar ket this weekend in Southfield

This years event the fifth annual will take place Friday Sunday March 15 17 at the Southfield Pavilion 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10 1/2 Mile Road)

It will feature around 50 antiques merchants who will show and sell antiques and accessories for the home and garden Pieces for personal adornment will also be offered

Among the selections will be jewelry, furniture, garden and architectural pieces birdbaths benches ornamental iron and garden gates, quilts, folk art, vintage clothing purses and perfumes The items will be displayed in an antique garden setting

It's a lot of fun, really nice for this time of year" said Karen Abel of Savoir Faire in Birmingham "It's bright and they have a lot of flowers It's a nice

break from the winter"

Savior Faire, which specializes in French antiques, will make its first appearance at the market this year Its pieces will include a pair of French iron and wood chairs that are antique train station chairs, a large vintage potting table and an antique French iron canopy bed

Wendy Berryman of Livonia will present garden accessories from the 1920s to 1940s, including cottage style, paint-

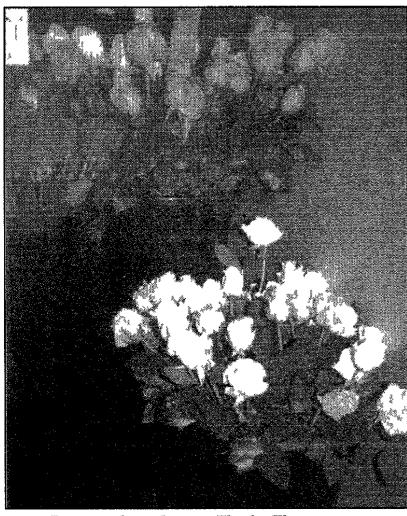
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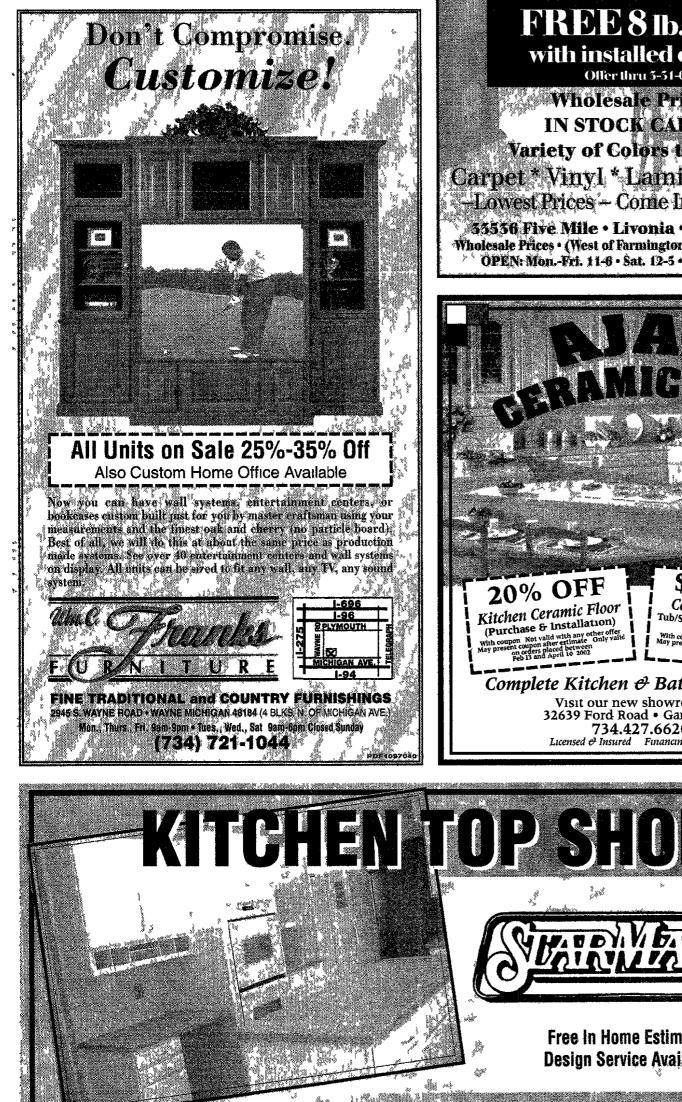
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Rosy: Roses such as these at Thrifty Florist require a little special care but reward with their beauty





Keep rosy outlook for your bouquets

As Ethel Merman sang, Everything's coming up roses,' and this is the Year of the Rose

Color trends for this year are lavender roses, "Anna," a creamy color with light pink edges, and the very popular white rose, "Eskimo" Two other trends for 2002 are to let the flowers shine in each arrangement by using less greenery, and "tighter" bowls of arrangements - rather Victori an in design

When a bouquet of roses (or any other flower) is delivered, take it immediately to the kitchen and cut about an inch off each stem, at an angle, under water

Use the floral preservative that is included with the bouquet of water to the head Lay these

as well as 1 tablespoon of bleach Use tepid water and change it daily Ask the florist for extra packets of the floral preserva tive

Keep the arrangement away from drafts and heat, 1 e the top of the television

Drain the water from the bowl carefully to keep the arrange ment intact If floral foam is used it will be necessary to drain it as much as possible before adding more water Keep the foam wet

Roses are sometimes afflicted with bent heads This is some times the result of mishandling at the farm, or an air bubble in the stem that impedes the flow roses in a sink in tepid water for two hours This may remedy the situation

Growers are using different fertilizers and pruning techniques to ensure longer shelf life

An innovation that keeps the flowers fresh is a special feature of refrigerator cases, such as those at Thrifty Florist, which does Tiffany's floral arrangements at the Somerset Collection This feature automatically measures and pumps a hydration solution into the buckets in which the flowers are set to allow them to continually take up water

Thrifty Florist vice president David Calcaterra gives a nod to the Dutch Flower Council "who number is (248) 644 1314

are always innovators for this type of thing to keep flowers in tiptop shape," and recognizes the California flower growers for their ideas

"Ecuadorian roses are bigger because they're growing closer to the equator and subsequently receive more sun," said Calcaterra, who lectures and gives demonstrations for garden clubs

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

Question: Is your castle really safe?

home is safe? Think again says a recent home safety survey

Feeling safe at home is on the decline, according to a poll of The State Of Home Safety In America, conducted by Lowe's Home Safety Council While more than 60 percent of families believe their home is very safe, that number is down from 72 percent in June 1998 This decline may be reflected in the growing problem of common home accidents and injuries Nearly 7 million people suffer from injuries in the home every year -one injury every 5 seconds

"It's concerning that while many people believe their home is safe, the number of home-

rise,' said David Oliver, executive director, Lowes Home Safe ty Council, a non profit organization dedicated to improving home safety The fact of the matter is that most home acci dents and injuries are preventable Families simply need to be aware of the dangers and

how to avoid them Among the 1,000 parents who were asked what home safety issues were important to them, the overwhelming majority (90 percent) mentioned fire safety specifically, preventing and escaping fires

The irony here is that the majority of households placed the greatest concern on fire safe

(NAPSI) - Do you think your related injuries continues to ty, however falls are the leading cause of injuries in the home, said Oliver

> The study indicated some good news

> ■ 36 percent of households stated they have a carbon monoxide alarm, a slight improvement from 30 percent in 1998

66 percent of households have a home fire evacuation plan, up from 58 percent in 1998 ■ 96 percent of families have a

smoke alarm in the home

Room for improvement

Only 29 percent of families test their smoke alarm once a month, as recommended by the Lowe's Home Safety Council and other national safety organizations That means the remaining 71 percent (70 million households) are at higher risk of being

caught in a home fire, if their smoke alarms are not operable

■ 34 percent of families don't have a home fire evacuation plan

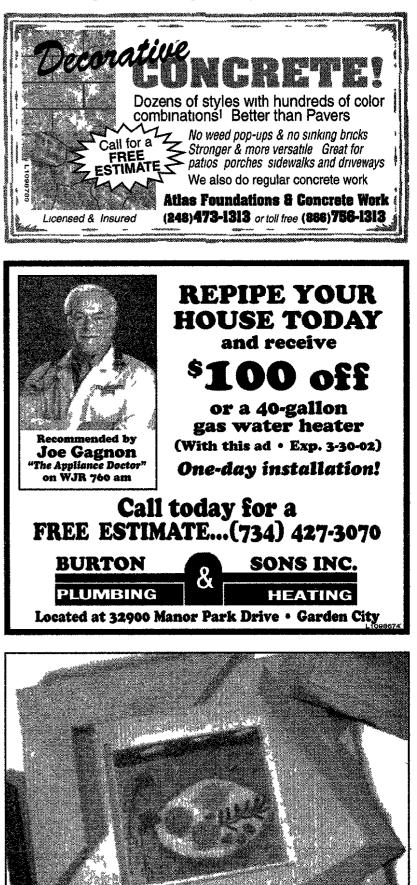
More than one million accidental poisonings occur every year among small children, yet 41 percent of families with children ages six and younger don't have cabinet latches

E Furthermore, 64 percent of families don't have safety handrails or grab bars installed in their homes, which can prevent falls - the leading cause of home accidents

"This study confirms what we already suspected," Oliver said "Although more than half of respondents think their home is safe, it's clear that a majority of American homes are not as safe as they could be



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Specialists tackle tough cases

A few years ago, I became ill and couldn't eat for three days My staff forced me to go to an emergency room, because they cared so deeply about me

OK, they were really just sick of hearing me whine

After the examination, the doctor stepped back, furrowed his brow and said "hmm" Patients perceive this to

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be the sound of the doctor wrapping his intellect around a solu tion to your problem What it really

means 18 "Yikes this is a hard one' He sent me to

a specialist, a gastro-enterologist, who diagnosed esophagi-

tis A few days of medicine and my car was again filled with fast food bags

In human medicine, specialists handle very individual types of problems, specializing as minutely as they can Im fairly certain there's a right earlobe specialist somewhere

I'm not criticizing It makes sense It allows the professional to focus

A heart expert seeing rashes every third patient would be absurd Few physicians become general practitioners anymore

Veterinarians, on the other hand, tend to be general practitioners In a day we may see a erinary Specialists started oper-

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gunshot wound, ear infections, a ations 11 years ago, has 22 doc heart work-up, eye problems, do three or four surgeries, and clean teeth The variation increases when you throw in exotic pets, and even large animals (Personally, I'm too lazy for either of those)

With the huge number of possible cases, eventually every vet will say "hmm " Where do vets send cases that are difficult, confusing, or require more advanced diagnostic testing?

To a veterinary specialist

Stand-outs

Our area boasts many specialists, but three locations stand out Michigan Veterinary Specialists in Southfield, Oakland Veterinary Referral Service in Bloomfield Hills, and Michigan State University's Teaching Hospital in East Lansing Still the king of Michigan's

referral medicine, Michigan State has all the bells and whistles even their own TV show on Animal Planet They deal with all species, and hold costs down pretty well (probably because of free labor from vet students, but I digress) MSU's care compares favorably with any institution

The problem is convenience Time rarely allows people to make the long drive to East Lansing once, much less a number of times Those who go to MSU usually come back satisfied, but the location can be impractical

Closer to home, Michigan Vet-

tors on staff, and sees 20,000 cases a year MVS trues to "extend the practice of the regu lar veterinarian," Dr Brent Calhoun, the hospital administra tor, said, and tries to form a "partnership with the veterinari an and the owner for the pet's health '

Having a Cat Scan on premises indicates the technological level of MVS Dr Daniel Degner, a surgeon at the facility, has a growing reputation for his microsurgery skills, Dr Calhoun said A recent surgery involved replac ing a damaged section of esophagus with a piece of healthy colon (If you are unsure what those two terms mean, you probably should be glad!)

North of MVS on Telegraph Road is Oakland Veterinary Referral Service, with seven specialists, and, like MVS, an emer gency service Although a friendly and homey place, OVRS also has advanced equipment, such as being the only private veteri nary clinic in Michigan to do laparascopic surgery, said Jim Thompson, OVRS Practice Manager

Veterinary medicine is chang ing people want more state of the-art (diagnostics and treatments)," Thompson said "The clinics in this area are unbeliev able There are about 35 veteri nary neurologists in the world, and two are in our area There are about 40 veterinary oncolo gists in the world, and two are in our area Were lucky Some states don't have one single specialist We have so many here

Seeing a specialist

How would you get Fluffy seen at one of these clinics? Usually you can just call and make an appointment, and your vet will forward the information to the referral clinic by fax Then your pet will see the ophthalmologist, or neurologist, or cardiologist, even dentist Ask your vet which facility might better suit your needs

Vets usually like seeing a patient go to a referral clinic, because the focused knowledge of the doctors and the higher level of technology help ensure their patients get the best care, and the best chance for diagnosis and cure It sure makes those hmm" cases easier to deal with!

Take Home Message When vour pet has a difficult, long term, or frustrating problem, consider a referral to a specialist center You might never need them, but it's good to know they re there

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MEADOW BROOK HALL GARDEN CLUB

Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will meet at 10 a m March 22, at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Kim Zelinski, facilities operations manager at the historic hall, will lecture and show slides on the gardens A rollout of the 2002 Garden Plan will be included \$5 non-member donation (248)370-3140

The club is celebrating its 10th year The main focus of the club is preserving, maintaining, and enhancing the gardens at the hall Special garden work days are held once a month, April through October Meetings with guests speakers are at 10 a m on the fourth Friday of each month in Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University Garden tours, plant exchanges and other special events are held throughout the year For more information call (248)652-4676

METRO DETROIT HOSTA SOCIETY

At the 7 p m March 25 meeting Jan Everson will present a slide presentation of the 2001 AHS Convention, which was held in Raleigh, NC Metro Detroit Hosta Society meetings are held at the Birmingham Congregational Church, Woodward and Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills Visitors \$3 For more information, contact Monica at (248)474-7484, or Jan at (248)642-1619

ORCHID SOCIETY

The Michigan Orchid Society's 50th anniversary show, "The Palm, Sunday Orchid Show," is Saturday and Sunday, March 23 and 24, at Laurel Park Place Mall, on the north side of West Six Mile. between I-275 and Newburgh Road

There will be orchid displays, as well as vendors selling orchids For more information, contact Kevin Griffin at (734)453 1261

MICHIGAN'S HOME AND GARDEN ANTIQUES MARKET

The fifth annual Michigan's Home and Garden Antiques Market will be this weekend, March 15-17, at The Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen Road, Southfield Times are 2 9 pm Friday, noon to 8 p m Saturday, and noon to 5 p m Sunday \$7 regular admission One paid admission good for all days of the show Children 12 and under are free

SOCRRA

The Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority presents Native Shrubs for Backyard Biodiversity, a slide presentation by landscape designer Rick Lazzell, from 7-8 30 p m Wednesday, March 27, at the Royal Oak Public Library, 222 East Eleven Mile Road, Royal Oak It emphasizes practical tips for planning and planting attractive native shrubs in the home landscape Free Telephone (248)288-5150 to register





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weather for a loop with roller coaster temperatures that make it difficult to plan outdoor weekend activities

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tion activities those you typi cally plan for late March or early April when the snow disappears but it's not quite spring - to help your family weather \mathbf{the} transition period

LISA HEALY Get a jump on spring Paint

flowers on your windows Purchase washable paints or glass crayons at a craft store Work as a family to sketch your window design on paper When everyone is happy with it, outline your 'indoor garden" on your win dows, then fill it in with cheerful colors

Inventory spring clothing, sporting goods and outdoor equipment Determine which clothes your children have outgrown

How many items will you have to purchase? Some stores are already having spring clothing sales

Start replacing a few items at a time now so you won't feel like you're spending a small fortune at one time later

Take your children with you to try things on now when the weather is questionable – they might not be in the mood to go

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Mother Nature has thrown the shopping when the weather warms

> Check out the condition of spring and summer sporting equipment and uniforms Make a list of what needs to be replaced, refurbished or added onto so you can make wise purchases the next time you fre quent the sporting goods store with your family

Are you planning on starting a family garden this spring? Ask family members what they think will be necessary to help your garden grow Sit down to plan it out

Visit a nearby garden shop to talk to experts about your family's wish list Make sure you're on the right track When plant ing weather arrives, your family will be prepared to plant the per fect garden

Cuddle up in the warmth of a craft haven Wander through the hobby shop in search of a new hobby or the continuation of an existing one Add onto an heirloom Lionel train set Get your gang interested in building a model airplane that will be ready to fly when the warm weather arrives

Reserve some time at your local paint-your-own pottery shop Paint special family plates to enhance your everyday dinnerware and create more enthu siasm for mealtime, or skip the plates and cups and choose to paint ceramic pots to hold spe cial spring plants and flowers

Do some homework in the kitchen Teach your kids to cook at home or away

Start with basics like making simple breakfast dishes (i e pancakes, French toast, scrambled eggs, fruit shakes), or pull out favorite family recipes and teach your gang how to prepare them Get your older children in the

cooking groove so they can pre-

pare meals on a weekly basis Even young children will enjoy stirring, measuring and taste testing

Go take a cooking class at a local specialty kitchen From Scratch in Farmington Hills and Nanny's Kitchen in Rochester are two locations that offer cook ing classes for both children and adults, as well as time you can reserve for a personalized cook ing party with other families, or a birthday party for your child Your family can learn and have fun doing it at the same time

When all else fails, head north If you're not ready to let go of winter pasttimes, check the tem peratures in the northern part of the lower peninsula

Weather permitting, plan a family weekend away at one of many northern Michigan ski resort areas

Bargain rates on lodging and lift tickets are available this time of year While there, open your minds to activities you've never tried, whether they include tubing, cross-country ski ing, snowboarding or snowshoeing These outdoor sports can turn your day into a great winter adventure

Take a half-day out of your vacation to go exploring the local towns nearby

For instance, if your family is staying near Boyne Mountain. Boyne Highlands or Nubs Nob, go exploring Harbor Springs, Petoskey and Charlevoix All of these towns offer quaint shops and restaurants with plenty of ambience and local flavor

Remember that sloppy, unpredictable weather doesn't mean your family has to be forced inside and turned into couch potatoes

There are plenty of great fami ly activities to take advantage of during seasonal transition time

Market from page C1

ed furniture drapes and tablecloths She has been in the show for two years

"This is my favorite show," said Berryman, whose business is called Endless AcScents "It's just gorgeous

Pretty displays

"I think it's the exhibitors (that make it special) The displays are really pretty Even if you don't buy anything you'll go home full of ideas

Wendy Lewis of Beverly Hills will return to the event, presenting romantic as well as fun items from her business, Connecticut Greenery Her unusual pieces will include a bench made from iron from France dating from the 1800s

Garden gates made from antique iron, and a work made from an old conveyor belt, will be among her other items

"People are in need for spring to come and they love gardening," said Mary Bagdol, Lewis' assistant

Sandy Vartoogian said her Four Seasons Antiques will feature "a little bit of everything, things for the home and garden," including "adorable" glasses from the 1950s The Livonia shop specializes in items from the 1930s through the 1950s

Vartoogian has attended the market for the last two years This will be the first time Four Seasons Antiques will be exhibiting at it

"The dealers have put a lot of effort into their

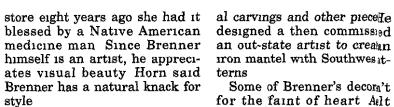
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West store owner Annette Horn Just last week Horn noticed Katle Couric wearing turquoise earrings during several episodes of Today The Native American pow-wow during the Winter Olympic Game openings also

helped "Most of our customers like Hal, aren't trend followers Their love of Native American and Southwestern styles are strong despite what's popular," Horn said

Still, Americans want Ameri can made items right now, she said Her business has increased since Sept 11 and people are feeling patriotic They want a piece of America's heritage

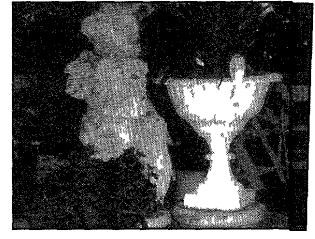
While Brenner is more focused on art and style rather than Native American culture, Horn explained she's connected to both When she purchased the



Sharing tales

Knowing the culture though, is part of the intrigue for many people Horn said nearly all the items in her store have a story behind them She and her employees love to share tales with their customers In fact, many items were discovered by Horn or her employees on their journeys west Of course, Native American-made pieces from Michigan and Canada are also available

Brenner personalizes the items he buys For example, he added turquoise stones to sever-



Think spring: Antiques merchants will show and sell items in an antique garkn setting at the Southfield Municipal Caplex.

displays," Vartoogian said "They make it irv springy It's like a breath of spring

Hours for Michigan's Home and Garden Antwes Market are 29 pm Friday, noon to 8 pm Surday, noon to 5 pm Sunday Admission is \$7 mlar, \$6 with any ads or listings of the evenno charge for children age 12 and under Onend admission is good for all days of the show

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Some of Brenner's decom't for the faint of heart Ailt taken from the body of a all bear, face included, is tacker a wall near the basement That and paw of a coyote's his draped over a piece of arhe philosophy of Native Amems is to use an animal's bodor survival needs like food, with or shelter Brenner uses anal skins for decoration For hut's all part of the decor

"I like the look of the lse, and when guests come overey love to look around it," he st And whether it's in vos or

not, Brenner will still be at Native West, at 863 Mnn Arbor Trail in Plymouth ipen Mon Thurs 10 6 pm, Fri0-8 pm, Sat 105 pm, and un noon to 4 pm Phone 73|55-

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Hockey champs

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When it was crunch time, the Plymouth Stingray Squirt A hockey team came up big — especially on defense

The Stingrays won the eight team Big Bear/William Jefferson Clinton Classic held Feb 15 17 in Melvindale, shutting out their last three opponents In the final, five players scored goals for the Stingrays in their 50 victory over the Chicago Hawks

Goalie Zack Cisek earned tournament MVP honors after posting four shutouts in five games He also won the goalie skills competition in the Squirt Division

Drew Carlson, Kyle Racer, Nick Pizzo, Jav Kastely and Ryan Renault scored goals in the championship game In the 80 win over the Holland Ice Dogs in the semifinal, Jason Avedesian, Racer, Renault, Connor Dresser, Pizzo and Trevor Eckler accounted for the goals

In their first meeting in the tournament, the Stingrays and Hawks played to a scoreless tie The Stingrays also blanked the Kalamazoo K Wings 4-0 with goals from Matthew Hull, Avedesian, Dresser and Racer, and beat the Novi Ice Cats 6-2, getting scores from Pizzo, Racer, Hull, Avedesian and Dresser

The team is coached by Joe Renault, Jeff Avedesian, David Carlson and Scott Dresser are assistants

Blue Quest are 1st

The Canton Blue Quest '93 undernine girls soccer team finished first in its division's first session at the High Velocity Sports Center in Canton

Team members are Kelsey Veurink, Sophia Flesch, Jennifer Learst, Lind-sey Winters, Victoria Kaye, Abigail Gorzalski, Melanie Pickert, Lauren Schendel, Kaylyn Brzys, Katle Moss, Marıssa Williams, Christy Balewski and Kendall Torp The team is coached by Rodrigo Gonzalez, Jason Kaye and Matt Brzys

Hockey leagues

The Retirees (over 50) "Drop-in" Hockey will continue its schedule through the spring and summer, starting at 9 a m Tuesdays and Fridays at Plymouth's Arctic Pond All senior players are welcome, no experi ence is necessary Cost is \$11 per game, with coffee, juice, muffins and doughnuts after each game For more information, call John Wilson at (248) 471 0658 or call the arena at (734) 207-7663 Men's and women's recreational hockey leagues for spring and summer are now forming Leagues are for over-21, over-30, over-40 and over-50, with play on various evenings from April 14 to July 25 at Plymouth and Canton arenas For more information and registration forms, call John Wilson at (248) 471-0658 or e-mail him at john@rspi net Also, visit the web site at www rspi net

In the chase 1st-place finish paces Salem's state-meet effort

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

The decisions aren't always easy Get an outstanding swimmer qualified for state meet in four or five events, then try to sort out where his best chance to score hes

Chuck Olson, the longtime Plymouth Salem coach, had several such deci sions to make going into last weekend's Class A final at the University of Michigan's Don Canham pool But he wouldn't make them without first discussing it with the swimmers involved "Everybody has to understand what

we're doing and why we're doing it,' Olson explained

Last year, the Salem coach and his best swimmers opted to load up on the relays, forgoing individual glory It worked, the Rocks were first in the 200-yard and 400-yard freestyle relays and fourth in the 200 medley relay, finishes that propelled them to a third in the team standings

This year, after Olson discussed it with his better swimmers - seniors Eric Lynn and Mike Johnson and junior Ben Dzialo – his decision was to load the 200 free and 200 medley relays and allow them to swim two individual events each

While the overall results might have been less gratifying, it was nonetheless a superior performance for the Rocks, who finished fifth, and for Lynn, who won a state championship in the 200 individual medley

And yet, the strategy Olson employed for Salem a year ago worked again, this time for Redford Catholic Central

'We did what they did last year,' said CC coach Jeff Baker, referring to his loading up his relays "I didn't

FILE PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

State champ: Salem's Eric Lynn completed his prep swim career by finishing first at the state meet in the 200-yard individual medley and second in the 100-yard backstroke

know if we'd have the individual strength

The Shamrocks finished one place and 3.5 points ahead of Salem CC's 400 free relay team placed second to Ann Arbor Pioneer — which won all three relays en route to running away with the state team title — and the Shamrocks were fifth in both the 200 medley and 200 free relays

Still, the greatest barometer in mea-

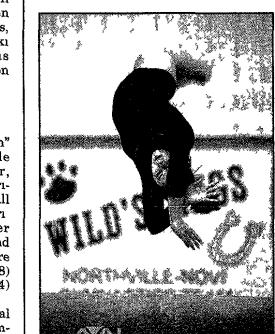
suring success at state meet is the clock, and by that standard CC, Salem and Plymouth Canton all had superb meets

Canton, behind senior Matt Wisniewski, finished 12th with 35 points Wisniewski was fifth in the 200 free (1 44 73) and sixth in the 100 free (47 82), and he was part of the Chiefs' seventh-place 400 free relay team, with Joe Le, Ryan Ahern and Brad Nilson

"We did exceptionally well," said Canton coach Ed Weber "I couldn't have asked for a better prelim on Friday They swam out of their minds

"Each person swam their best times " Both Baker and Olson said basically the same thing about their teams "From top to bottom, we exceeded our expectations," said Baker, in his third

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Salem vaults to 8th at state finals

BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cirisak@oe.homecomm net

There was nothing for Plymouth Salem coach Melissa Hopson to be

unhappy about "Eighth was a great finish," she said following the State Team Gymnastics Championships last weekend at Rockford HS "There's nothing negative I can say They gave their all, all they

and Livonia Unified (135 575) See sta tistical summary

It wasn't just the flooring that hurt Salem Bethany Bartlett, the Rocks only Division I gymnast, was struggling with a back injury The lack of a spring floor limited her to competing in the balance beam and uneven parallel bars

Salem's best overall finish was posted by senior April Aquinto, who was eighth in the Division II all-around

gymnast in the mid-'90s, added this would be her last season as coach She said she plans to remain in gymnastics, only next year as an official

Chiefs come close

It was a day of "almosts" for Plymouth Canton's gymnasts at Saturday's individual state final, also hosted by Rockford HS

Audra Ahern, a sophomore, finished

FILE PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL **Fantastic finish:** Salem's April Aquinto completed her prep gymnastics career with an eighth-place finish in the all-around.

nad to give The Rocks' score - 140 825 - was-

n't as strong as the scores they've been posting, but then again, none of the scores were as high, largely because Rockford lacks a spring floor

Rochester Adams emerged with the state title, scoring 147 20 The defending state champ, Northville-Novi, was second with 144 575, followed by Grand Ledge (144 550), Troy Athens (143 650), Tri-Farmington (143 350), Portage (143 325), Brighton (141 150), Salem, Forest Hills (140 150), Hartland (139 750), Rochester (138 775)

(35 075) She tied for sixth in the balance beam (90)

Other top-10 scorers for the Rocks were Ashley Aquinto and Melissa Drake, tying for fifth in the Division II floor exercise, each scoring 9 075

"I hate to pinpoint any one of them," said Hopson "April's all-around was obviously very good For Bethany, luckily she has another year left

"I couldn't be happier with the way things turned out We did the best we could with what we had "

Hopson, who starred as a Salem

one-tenth of a point out of the top 10 in the Division II balance beam, scoring 8 85 Brigid Fitzgerald, a freshmån, had a similar fate in the Division I vault, scoring 8 85 — 2 out of a top-10 finısh

Other solid scores for the Chiefs were posted by freshmen Laura Hamilton, 8 45 in Division II vault, and Jessi Bates, 8 55 in Division I vault

"All in all, Canton did its best and looks forward to next year," said coach John Cunningham

Baseball sign-up

A new Canton Community Junior Baseball Softball Association under-11 travel baseball team is looking for a few players Tryouts will be at 2 pm Saturday The team will play approximately 20-30 games in the WABA league

Interested players should call Ron Goble at (248) 417-0242 for tryout location and other pertinent information

Umpires needed

Anyone interested in umpiring in the Canton Community Junior Baseball Softball Association should contact Greg Angel at (734) 981-3007 or e mail him at wdivgreg4@aol com

Those interested must be at least 14 years old and have a basic knowledge of baseball Games begin the end of May Umpire scheduling may be worked around your game schedule if you are playing in the spring league

Visit the league's web site at www ccjbsa com for umpiring clinics and meetings

WaCo tryouts

The WaCo Wolves USA 16-andunder travel baseball team will have tryouts at Eastern Michigan University's Bowen Fieldhouse Sunday The team will travel to tournaments in Knoxville, Tenn , and Wheeling, W Va, plus play in three tournaments within the state

For tryout times, call (734) 620-1050



n't keep Redford Catholic Central's hockey team from making history

CC captured its fourth-straight Division 1 state hockey championship with a one-sided 5-1 win over the Marquette Redmen Monday night at the Flint IMA Sports Arena

The game was originally scheduled for Saturday, but the IMA lost power during the Division 3 finals Saturday afternoon, forcing the postponement of the game until Monday

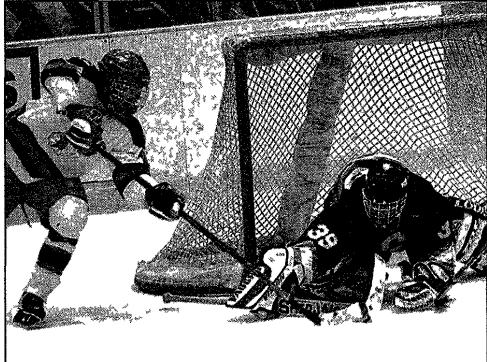
Only one other hockey team in state history has won four straight titles, and that was Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook, from 1985 88

No team had won four straight Class A or Division 1 championships, and CC's streak is the seventh-longest in the nation's high school hockey history

"We've had some very dedicated athletes who have worked hard since June to get to this point," said co-coach Gordie St John "Todd Johnson is a master coach at preparing our game plan, and the guys on this team have just done a phenomenal job

"This might be the most improved team from day one to the end of the season, that I've ever coached The way we kept improving was very special We knew we weren't as talented as some of the teams in the past, and we really felt the pressure But we got more confident as the season went along '

Nothing seemed to come easy for the Shamrocks this season, who finished



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Puck stopper: CC goalie James Blanchard makes one of his many saves in the state final Monday, this one on Marquette's Steve Dales

with a 21-5-3 record, but got off to a 6-5-1 start after 12 games

Starting with a 6-1 win over Cranbrook in January, CC went undefeated in its final 18 games, including the state championship game

Junior Eric Giosa scored on a quick slap shot from the point to give CC a short-lived 1-0 lead early in the first period But Marquette's Ryan Daust banged in a rebound through a goalmouth scramble to tie the game 1-1 late in the first period

Being tied in games was nothing new to the Shamrocks, and the experience of winning close games was very evident in this one

Just 1 41 after Daust's game-tying

goal, CC sophomore Jeff Prough scored the first of two goals on the night with a perfectly placed top-shelf goal from a tough angle to send the Shamrocks into the first intermission with a 2-1 lead,

Championship teams put contenders away no later than necessary, and the Shamrocks did exactly that in the second period, scoring twice in a 55-second period to remove all doubt

Junior Brandon Naurato continued his clutch postseason play by back* handing in a rebound to make it 3-1 CC just 3 56 into the second period, his fourth goal in five playoff games

Prough, who scored CC's first goal of the postseason, tallied his second of the game on a similar play to Naurato's goal, scoring off a rebound when the Shamrocks were on a 5-on-3 power play Giosa set up the goal with a hard shot from the point, and Prough tapped it in, untouched

Senior forward Ryan O'Dea added a power play goal with 1 16 left in the game, just a prelude to the wild celebration that would follow

After the game, senior captain Jeff Davis fought back tears as he reflected on the amazing accomplishment his team just achieved

"This is a dream come true, best time of my life," he said "I am so fortunate to play for a team like Catholic Central and with a bunch of guys who will not quit and have so much heart That's how we won, with a lot of heart "

Heart may have gotten CC to the state finals, but special teams played a big part in helping to get a victory in that game The Shamrocks rendered

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Local matmen sparkle at state finals

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Once a wrestler is qualified for the individual state finals, hopes always run high That can often lead to disappointment, but it didn't for the Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton qualifiers

"I was happy with all of them," said Salem coach Greg Woochuk As he should be All four of the Rocks who competed at state won at least one match, with Mike Goethe earning all-state status at 125 pounds

Also earning all state accolades was Canton's Phil Roth

well at 215

Goethe won his first match. beating Port Huron Northern's Paul Ososki 13-6, but lost in the quarterfinals to Utica's Brad Cusumano, 13-3 He followed that with a double-overtime 4-3 win over Howell's Craig Zube in his first consolation match, then defeated Holland West Ottawas Prescott Slee 7-3 in his second consolation match

In the consolation semifinals, Goethe topped Livonia Churchill's Brian Clement 3 2, before losing to Grandville's Cody Nicholson 6-4 to finish fourth overall For the season, he

WRESTLING

posted a 46-5 match record "Goethe I was happy with,"

said Woochuk "He wrestled well the whole tournament "

Canton's Rothwell won his first two matches, beating Macomb Dakota's Steve Burns 5-2 and Philip Thiel of Traverse City West 11 10 However, Jeremy Landstra of Jenison topped Rothwell in the semifinals, 9-2, and Rothwell lost both of his consolation round matches, getting pinned by Ben Tecmire of Howell

Matt McKay of Saginaw Heritage 13 4, to finish sixth His record for the season 45-4

One wrestler Woochuk had high hopes for was Tony Kennard at 145 However, Kennard had sprained his ankle at the individual regional tournament and was not fully recovered, indeed, he had hardly even worked out prior to the state tournament

Still, Kennard won his opener, 14-11 over Zeeland's Kyle Samuels But he could not sustain his success, getting pinned by Rochester Adams' Craig Fras-

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Friday Feb 15

Harrison at Churchill 7 p m

Franklin at Canton 7 p m

John Glenn at Stevenson 7 p m

Salem at Farmington 7 p m

N Farm at WL Central 7 pm

Wayne at Monroe 7 p m

Thurston at Annapolis 7 p.m.

Edsel Ford at Garden City 7 pm

Redford Union at Melvindale 7 p m

C ville at Taylor Light & Life 7 p m

Luth Wisld at Mt Carmel 7 pm

Huron Valley vs World Outreach TBA

Ply Christian at inter City 7 30 pm

Agape vs. Novi Franklin Road

at Garden C ty United 8 p m

(CHSL C D Division Playoffs)

St Florian at St Agatha 7 p m

Saturday Feb 16

W L Western at Harr son 7 pm

Sunday, Feb 17

(Central AA Division Playoffs

at U D Mercy s Califhan Hall)

Borgess vs DeLaSalle noon

St Marysvs Harper Wds ND 145 pm

DePorres vs UD Jesuit 3 30 pm

Redford CC vs N D Prep 5 pm

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Thursday, Feb 14

C ville at Luth N west 6 30 p m

Luth W sid at Hamtramck 6 30p m

PCA at S field Christian 7 p m

CHSL Finals at Madonna 5 30 & 7 p m

Friday Feb 15

in 1 39 and being outscored by er in 1 59 and losing to Dear born's Robert Sulaver 8 3 He ended with a 45-5 match record

"He'd gone 10 days without doing anything, said Woochuk "But he never made an excuse to anyone "

The Rocks had two other qual ifiers Adam Schaefer at 152 and Zack Jensen at 215 Schaefer was pinned by Davison's Jesse Reader in 1 49 in his first match. then defeated Walled Lake Cen tral's Mark Stewart 15-9 in his consolation opener He followed that with a 6-2 consolation round loss to Utica Eisenhower's Mike Bitterman, ending his sea

son with a 32-18 record

Jensen opened with a 9-1 loss to Howell's Tecmire, then lost to Adams' Jon Farley, 10 3, to fin 1sh the season with a 31-14 record

"Schaefer, he's what wrestling is all about," said Woochuk "You work hard and pay your dues It's the same with Tony (Ken nard)"

Sure, it might have been better But it wasn't too shabby for any of those involved, to be sure

at Walled Lake Western

Whalers unbeaten on road

It wasn't a perfect weekend, but there were no losses among the three Ontario Hockey League games the Plymouth Whalers played last weekend

The Whalers started well enough, beating Sarnia 5-2 Friday at Sarnia The Whalers trailed 1 0 after one period, with the Sting's Juris Stals scoring on a power play late in the first

Three second period goals put Plymouth in control Damian Surma got the first and Brad Yeo got the next two with James Wisniewski (from Canton) assisting on two of them Third-period scores by George Nistas and Kris Vernarsky pushed the Whalers' lead to 5 1 The Sting's Kris Newbury got a power play goal too late to change the outcome

Surma and Nistas each added an assist to their totals, and Stephen Weiss had two assists Jason Bacashihua made 32 saves in goal for Plymouth John Barrow had 30 stops for Sarma Although the victory was a

welcome one, the game couldn't match the drama of the Whalers' next two On Saturday and Sunday, in games played at Ply mouth's Compuware Arena, the Whalers came from behind in

the third period both times to earn ties On Saturday against London the Knights got second-period goals from Mike Stathopulos and Logan Hunter to take a 2-0 lead The Whalers battled back in the third, with Vernarsky scoring 3 14 into the period and Surma getting the tying, and final, goal with 2 13 remaining to make it 2 2 Weiss assisted on both

Bacashihua stopped 25 shots on goal, while London's Chris Houle had 30 saves

As dramatic as Saturday s game was, it couldn't match Sunday's 3-3 tie against Sault Ste Marie The two teams were tied

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at 1-all after one period, Brett Trudell scoring on a power play for the Greyhounds and Jonas Fiedler knotting it for Plymouth

Sault Ste Marie broke the tie with a second-period goal by Brent Kelly, then increased its lead to 3-1 with a goal by Rob Hisey with just 2 06 left in the final period

But the Whalers didn't give in Surma's goal 23 seconds after the Greyhounds had scored narrowed the gap to 3 2, and then 21 seconds later Surma scored again to knot it at 3.3 Vernarsky and Weiss assisted on both

Bacashihua and Sault Ste Marie's Ray Emery each made 33 stops in goal The tie certainly hurt the Greyhounds' division title chances Through the weekend, they were 37-18 10-0 with 84 points, trailing only Plymouth (38-15 10 2, 88 points) in the

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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Top-ranked SC is headed to NJCAAs

BY BRAD EMONS SPORTS WRITER bemons@oe homecomm.net

It took nearly 13 hours for the Schoolcraft College men's basketball team to travel Saturday to Wahpeton, N D

But the arduous journey turned out to be well worth the hassle Sunday as the Ocelots outdueled host North Dakota State College of Science before a packed house of 4,000 Wildcat fans, 96-84, to win the NJCAA District 12 championship

Five Ocelot players scored in double figure led by guard Javon Clark, who riddled the Wildcats for a game-high 25 points, including five 3-pointers Forward Mike Williams

(Detroit City) added 23 points and 15 rebounds, while point-

guard Rulon Harris had 20 points and nine assists

Two players with local ties, 6foot-6 Emir Medujanin (North Farmington) and 6-8 Yaku Moton-Spruill, each finished with 11 points

"Our defense once again pulled us through and we made shots down the stretch," said Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs "North Dakota was well coached, they had size and good shooters

"It was our 16 against their 4,000 and we played one of the best games we played this season

Schoolcraft will take a perfect 32-0 record and a No 1 ranking next week into Hutchinson, Kan for the 16-team NJCAA Division I tournament

The Ocelots, making their sec-

MEN'S HOOP

ond straight appearance in the nationals, start their quest for a national title at 8 30 pm Tuesday against 32-2 Alleghany (Md), last year's NJCAA runner-up to Wabash Valley (Ill)

Schoolcraft had little time to prepare for North Dakota Science, a team with a 32-1 record and a No 6 NJCAA ranking, following a 72-62 win Thursday night in Cincinnati over Vincennes (Ind) for the Region 12 title

After getting off the bus mid-Friday afternoon, the Ocelots had to take off again at 9 a m Saturday bound for Minneapolis, Mınn

Their plane, however, was diverted to Omaha, Neb because of bad weather And once they landed back in Minnesota, the Ocelots faced a three-hour ride by van into North Dakota, only to encounter high winds and temperatures below zero

But the worst was the 1cy interstate, which made driving conditions both slow and treacherous

"We got into Wahpeton around 930 pm and we left at 9 a m," Briggs said "We didn't practice for two days

"It would have been easy to go in the tank, but we showed toughness and accepted the challenge '

Schoolcraft led by only four at halftime, 49-45, as 6-10 center David Erbes kept the Wildcats in

close contact with 20 of his teamhigh 24 points

North Dakota Science had the game tied at 58-all with 13 minutes remaining and pulled within four with just under 4 minutes to go

But Clark scored on a short banker and followed by nailing a triple from the wing Harris followed with the dagger, hitting a big triple with the shot clock winding down with just under 2 minutes to play to put Schoolcraft ahead 87-75

Clark and Williams each converted on a pair of free throws in the final minute to seal the victo- \mathbf{rv}

For the game, Schoolcraft made 19 of 24 free throws (799 percent) and shot 34 of 60 from the field (56 7 percent) The

Ocelots also outrebounded North Dakota Science, 45-35

"We rebounded the ball better in the second half," Briggs said "And we shot the ball well When you do that that you have a chance to win '

Three other Wildcats scored in double figures including Patrick Miller (12), Jared Keaveny (11) and J R Patrick (10) Miller also had six assists, while Erbes grabbed eight rebounds

"I think our early schedule being on the road has helped us at the end," said Briggs, whose team won three games over Thanksgiving weekend in Southern Idaho "To get back to 'Hutch' you have to win on the road Our scheduling has paid off "

Crusaders rally after a bad start

with a 12-game losing streak, a

skid that the Crusaders never

No, it wasn't After taking a

day off, Madonna righted itself,

winning four-straight games to

finish its spring trip with a very

2 loss to Robert Morris (Ill)

March 2, followed with five more

defeats on March 3, 12-0 to

Winona State, 8-0 to St Mary-of-

the Woods, and 2-0 to St Francis

(Ill), and on March 4, 14-4 to

Assumption and 4-2 to Kentucky

In those six losses, Madonna

managed just 20 hits while sur-

rendering 48 But that day off

allowed the Crusaders to get back

On March 6, they blanked

Mount St Joseph 5-0 and out-

slugged Point Park 9-3, then

edged Northwestern (on March 7)

and Holy Family (on March 8) by

When all was said and done,

VanDoorn had compiled a pretty

good trip, posting a 4-3 record

after surrendering 17 runs (only

two of which were earned) on 36

identical 3-2 scores

The down trend began with a 4-

recovered from?

Wesleyan

on track

respectable 5-6 record

It was a promising start, one that was unexpected from a team with so very little collegiate playing experience Madonna University's softball team took the field against Siena Heights in its season-opener in Fort Myers, Fla, on March 2 with five freshmen and three sophomores playing with

senior pitcher Missy VanDoorn This team didn't even have the advantage of much of a fall schedule, having it cut from 10 games to three by inclement weather and the Sept 11 tragedy With so little experience, what could one expect?

The Lady Crusaders provided an opening-day surprise, beating Siena Heights 6-1 Madonna collected nine hits in the game, with sophomore Allison Luczak (from Livonia/Franklin Road Christian) and freshmen Mary Warchuck and Kathy Day (Livonia/Ladywood HS) each collecting two hits

Sophomore Jamie Bobrowski contributed a base hit and two runs batted in, while VanDoorn gave up one unearned run on five hits and five walks, striking out nıne

Yes, it was an optimistic start, but it didn't last long

The Crusaders played another game that day and five more over the next two, and they lost them all — by a combined score of 44-8 Uh-oh Was this the beginning

hits and 17 walks, with 35 strike-SOFTBALL outs in 43 innings Her earned of another tailspin like last year's, when Madonna followed a

run average 1s a sparkling 0 33 Jenny Tenyer went 1-3 on the mound with a 3 25 ERA, allowing promising spring trip to Florida

29 runs (13 earned) on 45 hits and just three walks, striking out 25 in 28 innings

Warchuck, playing in the outfield, had a solid start to her collegiate career, batting a teambest 281 with one double, two triples and an RBI Batyik batted 265 with three RBI and seven runs scored, Day batted 227 with sıx RBI, and Bobrowski batted 200 with team highs in runs scored (eight), home runs (two) and RBI (eight) Fowler returned with a 206 average and a double, a triple and three RBI

Defensively, there wasn't anything impressive Madonna committed 39 errors (compared to 18 by its opponents), an average of 35 per game The team fielding average was just 898, and of the 52 runs allowed on the trip, only 15 were earned

The team batting average of 219 (opponents batted 268) would lead one to believe Madonna cannot surrender too many runs on mistakes to succeed

The Crusaders return to action Tuesday when they travel to Siena Heights for their Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference opener

Last-second shot eliminates SC BY C.J. RISAK SPORTS EDITOR cjrisak@oe homecomm.net

It was one of those highlight film kind of plays, one you don't mind watching again and again — unless it was your team that was victimized

Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team suffered through just that at last Saturday's NJCAA Region 12 District H Final at Owens Tech in Toledo The Lady Ocelots went from hysteria to despair in a span of less than five seconds, the end result a 69-67 loss to Flint Mott CC

"It was a very disappointing ending," said SC coach Karen Lafata "But it was a very good ball game Mott played outstanding And so did we

With the game tied at 67-all in the final seconds, the Ocelots' Devin Francois forced a Mott turnover, but as she drove to the Bears' basket she was whistled for an offensive foul, giving possession of the ball back to Mott

"They had to go the full length of the court in 47 seconds," said Lafata "We put on a soft press with a player on the ball at the end line

"They threw a long pass and it was like Joe Montana to Jerry Rice It was just a perfect pass '

The Bears got the game-winning layup at the buzzer to upset SC, which had beaten Mott in their Michigan Community College Athletic Association meeting by 10 points The Ocelots bow out at 26-5, Mott improves to 20-10

WOMEN'S HOOP

There was nothing for Lafata to be unhappy about regarding her team's play SC converted 30-of-61 floor shots (49 2 percent), with Rachel Eley and Francois leading the offense Eley, named the Region 12 player of the year and the Eastern Conference MVP, collected 22 points (on 11-of-19 shooting), five assists and five steals, while Francois had 20 points (8-of-10 shooting, including 2-of-3 three-pointers), 10 rebounds and two steals

Kera Hill added nine points, eight assists and two steals

Mott, which trailed 32-29 at the half, got 24 points from Qudonya Muldrew, 17 from Alayniah Teverbaugh and 10 from Tiffany Nalls

"We had a great season," said Lafata "But that's tournament basketball Sometimes you need a break to win, and we didn't get one "

While SC struggled to a two-point win over host Owens Tech in its semifinal Friday, Mott had an easier time of it, beating Lakeland (Ohio) CC by six

Eley wasn't the only Ocelot singled out for recognition Francois was named to the alltournament team and was second-team all-conference, and Hill was third team all-conference

Ten Ocelots are sophomores, which means Lafata has a rebuilding job ahead of her "That was a great recruiting class, the best Schoolcraft has ever had," she said

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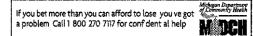
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4-game winning streak boosts Madonna's hopes

one for Madonna University's baseball team

After a rollercoaster, 3-4 start in the first four days of their spring trip to Homestead, Fla, the Fighting Crusaders rattled off four-straight wins before ending their stay down south with a 6-3 loss to Lewis University (Ill) last Friday

Madonna returns home with a 7-5 record and something to

The start has been a promising build on The Crusaders had a Muhlenberg (Pa) on March 3, respectable 4 38 team earned run average and a 287 team batting average

They started the trip with a 6 4 victory over Northwood (Fla) on March 1, followed by a 10 loss to Florida Memorial that same day After that came a 6 5 triumph over Kean (N J) and an 8-1 loss to Northwood, both on March 2, a 12-5 victory over Adelphi (NY) and a 3-1 loss to

and a 6 2 defeat against Indiana Wesleyan March 4

Madonna followed that with its run of four straight wins 16 13 over Adelph1 and 5-3 over Rochester on March 5, and 6-3 over Rochester and 6 5 over Weslevan on March 7

Three wins stood out for the Crusaders, starting with the come from behind triumph over Kean Madonna trailed 50 after

BASEBALL

four innings but scored three in the fifth — two of them on single by Roy Rabe (from Livonia Stevenson) — and got three more in the sixth on RBI singles Mark Cole (Farmington/Catholic Central). Dave Nester and Chris Woodruff (Livonia/CC)

In the Crusaders' 5-3 victory over Rochester, Eric Williamson pitched brilliantly, allowing three unearned runs on seven hits and a walk, with five strike outs, in 10 innings They scored the game winning runs in the top of the 10th after two were out, starting with singles by Brian Williams (Livonia/CC), Nester and Sterling Mintzer

After Mintzer's RBI hit, Nester stole home to cement the victory In the 6-5 win over Wesleyan, the Crusaders scored the game

winning run again with two out Woodruff started it with a single and moved up when Mintzer was walked Joe Pruchnik (Lutheran Westland) delivered the gamewinning, run-scoring single

Seven different pitchers got wins on the trip for Madonna, with Mıke Fisher (Farmington/Lutheran West land), Cole, Jeremey Stevens, Joel Hallıday (Redford Union)

and Devin Cole (Garden City) each going 10

Among the hitters, Woodruff led with a 400 batting average with three doubles, a triple, a home run and nine RBI Matt Rigley (Redford Union) paced the Crusaders with 14 hits on the trip, battling 378, with two dou bles, a home and seven RBI, while Mintzer batted 325 with a team best 12 RBI Pruchnik hit 314 with four doubles, a triple, a homer, eight RBI and a team best nine runs scored

Madonna returns to play Sun day with a Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference opening double-header at Indiana Tech

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Now is the time of year to gather sap to make syrup

🔷 ugar NATURE maple NOTES trees are already forcing sap from their roots up to the upper branches It s the only time when peo ple can collect maple sap to make syrup TIM In a short NOWICKI time the sap will have too

many hormones in it to make good syrup

Those upper branches can be a long way from the roots and are in the opposite direction of gravi ty Changes in internal pressure allows sap to rise to the buds on those branches Fluids pumped into the buds causes them to swell with developing flowers or leaves that formed to the embry onic state last summer

Last summer was also the time when the end branches formed

When sunlight and water were available, the terminal bud grew from the end of the previous seasons growth

Circling the twig is a scar indi cating where the previous terminal bud ended

By measuring the distance between scars botanists can determine how old a branch may be and how much it grew in any particular season

Before the leaves start to emerge from behind their bud scales, take a look at the end branches of some trees A few species of tree can be identified from a distance by those new branches

Sassafras 1s a good example The new growth of last year 1s a bright lime green This kind of tree likes sunlight

Small trees with branches at eye level will be found on the edge of a forest To verify that the green stemmed tree is in fact sassafras, scratch the green covering away and sniff the surface

If you detect a citrus fragrance, lemon to be more precise, the tree is a sassafras Roots of sassafras have the root beer flavor/fragrance

Along the edge of a creek, or small cluster of trees in the city, look for the silvery blue color of the box elder branches

Box elder is a member of the maple family In summer 1t has leaves that resemble poison ivy, but now it is easy to see the coat ing that gives it a smoky color

If you have box elder trees you probably have box elder bugs near by These red and black insects congregate in great num bers during late summer and fall They prefer female trees, but are not picky if the selection is limited By cutting down the female trees you will reduce the problem if there is a problem

Weeping willows are distinct in their shape and their twig coloration

As their name suggests the branches of weeping willow weep, or droop or hang down When the sun hits the branches they reflect a yellow golden color Some other willows reflect this coloration, too

So while your passing by a bridge going over a creek or river, scan the trees for branches that reflect gold or silver

Finding lime colored sassafras will be a little harder Better leave that identification to the passenger in the car

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Adult golf The Michigan Cup will operate

league fees The Taylor Meadows couples adult golf leagues this spring league will meet on Fridays for 16 weeks beginning April 26 Cost 1s \$325 which includes prizes, league administration and league fees The Pheasant Run men's league will meet on Tuesdays for 20 weeks beginning April 16 Cost is \$695 which includes cart, prizes, league administration

league administration and and league fees

Fox Hills women's league will meet on Tuesdays for 16 weeks beginning April 30 Cost is \$330

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and summer at Fox Hills in Ply mouth, Pheasant Run in Canton and Taylor Meadows in Taylor These leagues are for men and women

The Fox Hills men's league will meet on Thursdays for 20 weeks beginning April 11 Cost is \$425 which includes prizes,

which includes prizes, league administration and league fees

Leagues are open to individuals or two-person teams Entry deadline is 14 days prior to the start of league season A league reservation may be held with a

Please see ROUNDUP, D7



STATE **GYMNASTICS** RESULTS

MHSAA GYMNASTICS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS March 8-9 at Rockford High School

Team scores 1 Rochester Adams 147 200 2 Northville Novi 144 575 3 Grand Ledge 144 550 4 Troy Athens 143 650 5 Tri Farmington 143 350 6 Portage 143 325 7 Brighton 141 150 8 Plymouth Salem 140 825 9 Forest Hills 140 150 10 Hartland 139 750 11 Rochester 138 775 12 Livonia 135 575

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Shamrocks from page D1

Marquette's power play totally ineffective

The Redmen went 0-for-7 with the man advantage, and were unable to convert on a 5-on-3 power play at the beginning of the third period

"Special teams killed us," said Marquette coach Mike L'Huillier "CC is too talented and has too much skill to keep giving them chances like we did We dug ourselves a three-goal deficit, and it was just too much to try and come back from "

Although the Shamrocks did-

n't score on its three power-play chances in the first period, they were able to seize control of the flow of the game and prevent Marquette from generating any consistent pressure

Giosa's goal came four seconds after the team's first power play expired, opening the scoring

"There were so many penalties called in the game, it was a good thing our special teams were good," Johnson said

Naurato, junior Patrick Col dren, senior captain John Perkovich and Giosa picked up

assists in the game The balanced offense in this game was indicative of the way the team won this season, with no one or two players scoring most of the goals That kind of teamwork was key in this state champi-

onship according to Johnson "We won playoff games where three different lines of players were the heroes," Johnson said "In the past, we've had two scoring lines and two checking lines, but this team had three lines that could be either on any given

night, and that's a tough thing to

overcome "

CC outshot Marquette 25-20 in the game, but sophomore goaltender Jim Blanchard was rarely tested in the way he was earlier in the playoffs Credit for that can go to CC's defensive corps, the most underrated part of the team, Johnson said

"Our defensive zone coverage has been outstanding," he said "We went 10 games without giv ing up an even-strength defensive-zone goal Playing in the defensive zone is one of the toughest things to teach, and we

responded well as a five-man unit "

CC didn't play with the lead for extended minutes very often in the playoffs, but had to after two quick goals in the second Perkovich said the pressure was a key in preserving the lead

"We didn't stop pressuring them, even after we got the 4-1 lead Our penalty killing was phenomenal, and if they couldn't score on us when they had the power play, it was going to be tough on them "



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Whalers

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OHL's West Division Although they've faltered over the last few weeks the Whalers are still clinging to the OHL's best record

Sarnia and London are also in a playoff position battle Both have 63 points and were tied for fourth in the West Division through the weekend, Sarnia is 26-29-5-6, London is 23-25-10-7, London having played one fewer game

The Whalers, who played last night in Sault Ste Marie, finish their regular season at Kitchener Friday and at home against Windsor Saturday

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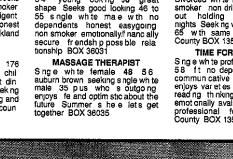
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Attractive single back male 62 185 bs like dining out shooting pool tave sports Interested in meeting somebody and being friends first BOX 13325 FIT THE PROFILE?

Non smoking non drinking divorced white male **47** Down River resident 1 am 510 brown har and green eyes a husky bu d work in the steel bus ness good work in the steel ousness good sense of humor Enjoys I ke mus c and play mus c Look ng for a white fema e 30 to 50 independent 1 I ke shapely women w th long ha r BOX 13419

TAKE A CHANCE ON ME

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parks staying ft etc. Seeks intelli gent attractive woman who I kes to

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Those interested in signing up

teams fall season may do so from 2-6 p m Saturday, March 23 on the stage at St Edith school

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year as CC's coach 'It was a fan tastic state meet We hit our taper and the kids all swam well

Did the performance surprise him? "Competitively, no,' Baker replied "But their times were surprising, even to me

The Shamrocks had two swim mers finish in the top seven in the 100 butterfly Bryant Steele was third (50 73) and Brett Meconis was seventh (51 01)

But it was their relays that earned them a fourth-place finish Kevin Ryan, Nick Markou, Steele and Meconis, second in the 400 free (3 10 53), Ryan, Rob Cyrek, Steele and Meconis, fifth in the 200 free (1 26 71), and Zach Fellrath, Mike Kruszewski, Steele and Meconis tied for fifth in the 200 medley relay $(1\ 36\ 81)$

As for Salem, Olson said, Not

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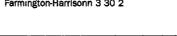
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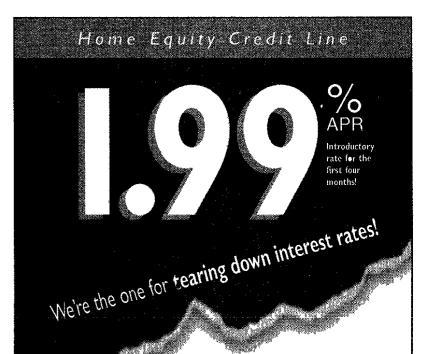
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much went wrong, but it's tough to go up there and have everything work out '

Lynn's performance, by far the best by an Observerland swimmer, was certainly outstanding Seeded second going into the 200 IM, Lynn beat Birmingham Brother Rice's Andrew Ciesielski, the top seed, winning in 15267

Lynn then splashed to a second place finish in the 100 back stroke (51 23) behind only Holland's Chris DeJong, considered one of the top backstrokers in the nation

"Realistically, four or five guys could have won the IM," said Olson "I was real pleased with hım

Lynn also anchored Salem's 200 free relay team of Johnson, Matt Vivian and Dzialo, which finished third (1 26 32) He swam that final just prior to the 100 back final

"He knew he'd have to anchor it," said Olson "That's the way we practiced it '

If there was a minor disappointment for the Rocks, it was their 200 medley relay team of Lynn, Dzialo Matt Showalter and Johnson, which placed seventh (1 37 89) and failed to qualify for the championship heat Olson had hoped for a top-three finish

"No, we weren't real happy with our (fifth-place) finish," he said "If our medley had done what it was supposed to do we could have been third

Still, there was no second guessing on how he approached the meet "We accepted that this was the way we went at it," said Olson

Other scorers for Salem included Johnson, a tie for fourth in the 50 free $(21\ 60)$ and a 10th in the 100 free (47 96), and Dzialo, a sixth in the 100 fly (51 40)and an 11th in the 200 free $(1\ 46\ 03)$

Others to score for CC were Nick Markou, seventh in the 500 free (4 45 56), and Fellrath, ninth in the 100 back (53 55) Canton also got points from Le, who placed 11th in the 100 free (4856)

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LYNN WALDSMITH PAWLIK

Eating out is a family adventure

henever we go out to eat as a family, I silently wish for two things Crayons and that we're seated by other people who have small children

Most family-friendly restaurants, if they're smart, have crayons - which helps keep the kids entertained for about five minutes anyway But more often than not, the hostess shows us to a table surrounded by senior citizens or people with no children In other words, people who are used to enjoying a quiet, relaxing dinner where they can actually enjoy their food in peace and have a real conversation

Our kids are actually well-behaved in restaurants It's not like they're kicking, screaming brats who throw food across the room But they're kids

Which means eating out is an adventure And when you're a kid, it's impossible to experience adventure while sitting still

Instead, what you have 1s constant squirming wiggling and exploring Within seconds of taking our place in a booth by a large window, Erin is already refusing to sit down, preferring to stand on the seat, hands and nose glued to the glass and peering outside After I physically force her to sit down in the booster seat, she turns her attention to the items, i e playthings, on the table

Within her grasp are pink and blue packets of sugar and Sweet and Lo, which she immediately makes into piles of various sizes This is followed by the creation of a choo-choo train with grape and strawberry jelly packets, then the careful stacking of the jelly packets into towers

All this piling and stacking activity

Going to the



Watch 'em pose, romp and retrieve at annual Detroit Kennel Club show

BY AMY HOOVER SPECIAL WRITER

When you think of highly trained athletes, images of Olympians, boxers and football players usually come to mind

But what about athletes with wellgroomed coifs chasing tennis balls? If you don't think this qualifies as an athlete, don't tell

the dog owners DETROIT KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW and breeders participating in the What: Dogs judged Detroit Kennel Club Dog Show in several categories; agility trials, demon-strations, and lec-No matter the breed, owners tures When: 9. a.m. 6 p.m., Saturday-Sun-day, March 16-17 Where: Cobo Cen-ter, downtown Detroit Tickets: Available and breeders spend endless hours training their four-legged stars And according to most of these devotees, it's well worth the



Dogs on display: An educational component of the dog show,

doesn't seem enthusiastic at first can become a flyball dog "

Whether you have a flyball dog or one competing for Best of Show, it takes patience — patience from the owner/breeder as well as patience from their families

"My husband thinks I spend too much time doing flyball, but he understands that we're in it for the fun," O'Neil admitted

"My brothers are very interested in the dogs and shows, but everyone else in my family thinks I'm crazy," Mayo said

The purse for the DKC Dog Shows is the largest cash prize of all U S pointed shows totaling more than \$11,000 for the weekend Best in Show each day will be awarded \$2.500

Two new class competitions have been added this year, Best Bred by Exhibitor on Saturday and Best Puppy on Sunday

wouldn't be so bad if it weren't for the fact that the towers teeter perilously close to the edge of the table Invariably the packets end up on the floor, except for the ones we manage to snatch before they head for the abyss below

As anyone who is brave enough to venture into a restaurant with small children knows, grabbing things before they spill or topple over is an essential parenting skill that must be practiced to near perfection

Whether we're eating or trying to read a menu, for example, both my husband and I have developed the innate ability to lunge across a table and grab dropping forks, spoons, cups, plates, condiments, crayons, etc

While we wait for our food, things continue to get knocked over, silverware clangs to the floor, the girls loudly blow bubbles in their chocolate milk, we slap our hands down on the table right and left as we try to grab the various falling objects, and Erin falls off her booster seat

Slightly mortified, I look around to see who's being forced to witness this physical comedy of errors Sure enough, an elderly couple is watching us from across the aisle Fortunately, however, they're smiling, apparently enjoying the free entertainment

After what seems like an eternity, our food arrives Two minutes later while I'm still cutting the kids' chicken into smaller pieces, our waitress reappears

"How is everything?" she chirps "Can I get you anything else?" "Extra napkins," we reply

By the time I manage to take my first bite, Eileen declares that she's done

'What's for dessert?"

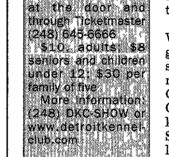
Erin, meanwhile, who is bored, decides to break out into song "Tinkle tınkle lıttle star

Whether it's prompted by the mispronounced lyrics or all that chocolate milk, Eileen at that point makes yet another announcement – just as I'm about to partake of my second bite

I have to go to the bathroom ' When we return from the restroom, Erin is walking in circles in front of the booth, singing, "I'm a little teapot, short and spout

We gulp down the rest of our food. then scan the room for the amable waitress, who has seemingly disap-

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time spent "I have thirteen Weinmaraners going down to the show including my American-Canadian UKC Grand Champion known as Bet She's an extremely smart and devoted compan-

ion If you have a good-natured dog, I think it's the dog who enjoys going to the shows more, said Karen Mayo, a Weinmaraner breeder from Livonia

The annual Detroit Kennel Club Dog (DKC) Show was first held in 1916 at the old Detroit Armory For the past several years, including this one, the DKC show has called Cobo Center home This year's show is from 9 a m -6 p m , Saturday-Sunday, March 16-17 The DKC 18 expecting 2,000 dogs and 35,000 to 40,000 spectators to attend each day

called "benching" enables consumers to learn about different breeds one-on-one These St Bernard's relax "on the bench" between show activities At top, Sister, an Alaskan Malamute, practices the tire jump in preparation for the AKC Agility Tri-

Erik Bergishagen, DKC president says there's a major driving force that brings in the spectators "Mainly, it's a love of animals that brings people down Also, they come to see different breeds they've never seen before

The shows are called 'benched shows' which offers visitors a chance to meet with owners and breeders of different dogs to learn about the animals and to ask questions When the dogs aren't in the judging rings, they are required to be displayed on a bench The DKC Dog Shows are one of only six benched shows left in the country

Jumping and racing

The DKC Show isn't just about

good looks There are also agility trials and flyball competitions

Agility trials have dogs go through obstacle courses and jumping over hurdles for ribbons

Flyball is a relay race with four dogs and a tennis ball to a team Some dogs are show dogs as well as competitors in these events

Kim O'Neil from Redford brings her laid-back Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier, Toby, to compete in flyball They're part of a team called Pawsitive Attitude that includes about twenty dogs and fifteen owners O'Neil offers this advice to dog owners newly bit by the flyball bug "Find a place where you can train them and be patient Not all dogs catch on easily Even a dog that

But there's more to these shows than ribbons

Spectators can view Retriever and Field Training, the Animal Planet Disaster Relief Vehicle, the Michigan State Police Canine Unit, the New Purina Dog Chow Incredible Dog Team and the American Red Cross demonstrating mouth-to-snout CPR

Leader Dogs for the Blind, the American Anti-Cruelty Society and Paws for a Cause also will be on hand

Bergishagen advises potential dog owners to take this opportunity to educate themselves about what breeds and breeders

"Spend a little time talking to breeders and do a little research to help find the puppy you want Everybody wants to do something meaningful in life

Owning a dog can help fill a void and get people involved and do something better with their life than what they see," he said

Grant helps Sweet Adelines keep singing

BY CAROL MARSHALL SPECIAL WRITER

The road trips were long and the paperwork was overwhelming, but Dorothy Davenport was glad to tackle the project, if it would let 100 women keep on singing

Davenport's efforts paid off big when she and her chorale group, the Spirit of Detroit Sweet Adelines, got the good news in December they had won a \$9,100 grant from the State of Michigan

"What this means to us is that we can sing more, and raise money less," said Davenport, a Plymouth Township resident and retired Livonia Public Schools teacher "And we can focus more on competing, which is very important now because we're going to compete in regionals in Grand Rapids at the end of April

The women in the chorus have always struggled with fund-raisers They use the money to bring coaches from around the country to assist them with their performances and with competition

The highly-skilled master directors don't come cheap In addition to travel expenses, they charge up to \$500 for their services The coaches assist the choir with stage presence, sound and expression, choreography and individual voice lessons

"In a really good fund-raiser we might make \$1,000, \$2,000 or maybe \$3,000 for a really good one," Davenport said

Davenport knew there had to be a better way to raise money and began investigating grants on the Internet When she heard about the Michigan Coun-



STAFF PROTO BY JIM JAGDFELD In rehearsal: Dorothy Davenport practices with the Sweet Adelines.

cil for Arts and Cultural Affairs grant, she thought it was worth a shot and attended an informational meeting at the Detroit Institute of Arts She attended meetings at the DIA and in Lansing

to gather more information and sought help from another barbershop singer with experience in grant writing

"People had warned me the paperwork was pretty intensive But even with that warning, I was overwhelmed," Davenport said of the 37-page application The application was also accompanied by supporting documents and an audio tape

Davenport made the trip to Lansing Dec 14 to hear the vote regarding the Sweet Adelines' grant request

"I had some reservations because I knew the state budget had to have some tweaking, and there would be cuts because of the economy," she said "I kept on hearing all these awards for \$1,000, or for \$4,000 I thought then if all we get is a couple of thousand dollars, I'd take it "

The news was better than that The application requested \$12,000, and Davenport was thrilled to receive more than 75 percent of that

The grant money will require some work The chorus must provide a 2-1 in cash and in-kind services, such as travel time, practice time and riser time, match to receive the money

In order to receive the payments from the state, the choir has raised \$6,000 and provided \$18,000 worth of in-kind hours

Davenport honored by the chorus when they voted to name her Sweet Adeline of the Year

While flattered by the honor and by the grant award, Davenport said with a grin it all comes down to the most important thing

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Preston-DeMore

Robert and JoAnn Preston of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter. Jennifer Lynn, to Duane Matthew DeMore son of David and Patricia DeMore of Livonia

Jennifer graduated from the University of Michigan and received a bachelor of science degree She currently attends the University of Michigan Medi cal School, where she will graduate in June

Duane graduated from the University of Michigan and received a masters of science in radiological health He currently is employed as a health physicist at Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant in Maryland

A May wedding is planned at

Pickett-Root

Charles and Anna Pickett of Livonia announce the forth coming marriage of their daughter, Julie Rose, of Taylorsville, Utah, to Andrew Gerald Root of Tay lorsville, UtahAndrew is the son of Patricia Thoma of San Diego, Calif

Julie is a 1991 graduate of Steven son High School, Livonia, and a 1995 graduate of Brigham

Young University where she earned her bachelors degree She is a 1996 graduate of Wayne State University where she earned a mas ter's degree in social work Julie is employed with Utah Division and Child Family Service

Andrew is a 1990 graduate of Mission Bay High in San Diego Calif He is employed with Industrial Paint Coating Co in Salt Lake City

The couple will wed on March 23 at The Ritz of Las Vegas

Fridman-Levine

Avıva Rebecca Levine and Moses Alexander Frid man were recently married at Temple Shir Shalom

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Faye Levine of Bloomfield Hills

The groom is the son of Alexander and Irina Fridman of Livonia

A reception was held at the Lark in West Bloomfield, after which the



St Matthew's United Methodist Church in Livonia

Post-Bowman

Mrs Russell Post of Kalamazoo announces the engagement of her daughter, Rachel Lynn, to David James Bowman, son of C William and Suzanne Bowman of Livo nia.

Rachel 1s a 1998 gradu ate of Kalamazoo Chris tian High School and is currently attending Calvin College of Grand Rapids

Davis is a 1996 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School He is currently employed as a quality assurance manag-

er at Standard Scale in Detroit A June 1 wedding is planned

Hammond-Stirling

Larry and Kathleen Hammond of Monroe announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Louise, to David William Stirling, son of Angus and Christine Stirling of Livonia

Jennifer is a graduate of Mon roe High School and will gradu ate in April from Western Michi gan University with a bachelor of arts in education degree She teaches special education in Kalamazoo Public Schools

David is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School and will graduate in April with an associ ates degree from Kalamazoo Val ley Community College He will attend Western Michigan University in the fall to complete a degree in criminal justice

A May 2002 wedding is

Blancke-Borden

Rudy and Karen Blancke IV of Ply mouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Kimberly Dawn, to Brian Ver non Borden, son of Bill and Diane Bor den of Burton

Kimberly is a graduate of Albion College She is employed as an Analyst for Ford Motor Credit Com-

pany Brian is a graduate of Albion College and has a masters degree in urban planning from Wayne State University He is



at Second Christian Reformed Church in Kalamazoo

planned in Monroe with a recep-

employed as a land use planner

A May 11, 2002 wedding is

planned in Rehoboth Beach, DE

Hughey-Jerman

James and Judy Hughey of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Renee, to Timothy James, son of Leon Herman of Northville and Kathleen Herman of Canton

Lisa earned a bachelor degree in social science and elementary education from Madonna University and master's degree in early childhood education from Eastern Michigan University She teaches second grade in Livonia Public Schools

Tim attends Eastern Michigan University and is majoring in history and

secondary education He is employed by Bill Brown Ford in Livonia

Barbre-Bowers

Randall and Rose Barbre of Tecumseh, announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah, to Keith D Bowers, son of Paul and Cheryl Bowers of Livonia

Deborah 1s a graduate of Northwood University in Mid land with a bachelors degree in marketing/management She is employed public broadcasting in Detroit

Keith attended Detroit College of Business and is employed as a journeyman carpenter in the construction industry

An April 27 wedding is planned at St Robert Bellarmine in Redford

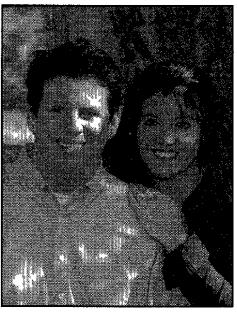
Adams-Biga

Jeffery and Joyce Adams of Livonia announce the engage ment of their daughter, Jill Elaine, to Michael Robert Biga, son of Robert and Joyce Biga of Livonia

Jill is a 1999 graduate of Madonna University and is currently employed as a kindergarten teacher for the Farmington Public Schools

Michael is a 1996 graduate of University of Michigan and is currently employed as an

engineer at Lamb Technicon



A July 19 wedding is planned at St John's Golf and Conference Center

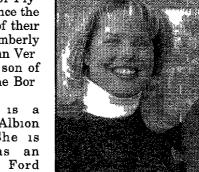


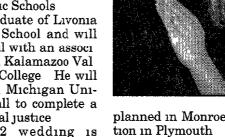


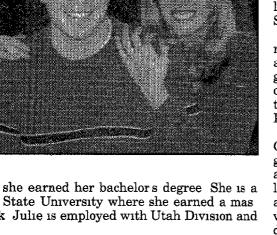
A July 13 wedding is planned at St Edith Parish



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BIRTHS

Keith and Angela Myers of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter, Tala Rose, born Nov 23, 2001, at St Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia

Tala joins Nantan Keith, 13 months

Grandparents are Alan and Susan Pohto of Canton Township, and Frank and Velma Myers of Barton City Greatgrandparents are Flora Love of Wixom, Al Preuss of Wixom and Dorthy Pohto of Livonia

Great-great-grandmother 1s Eva Winarski of Detroit

Dana Janes and Anthony Scheffer of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter. Joie Lauren Scheffer, on Jan 12 at Garden City Hospital

She joins her sisters, Kayla, 12, and Brittany, 9. at home

Her grandparents are Jim and Marilyn Frost of Westland

Stacy and Kevin Salisbury of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Abagail Paige Salisbury, on Jan 18 at Garden City Hospital

She joins siblings, Maranda, 7, Noah, 5¹/₂, and Ethan, 4, at home Grandparents are Ken and

Faye Goralski of Westland and Gary and Betty Salisbury of Dearborn Heights

George Condash of Plymouth and Mireya Condash of Ypsilanti announce the birth of their daughter, Siena Jolene Sanchez-Condash, on Jan 20 at Garden City Hospital

She joins her siblings, Jackie, 11, Jasmine, 8, and Jesse, 7, at home

Grandparents are Elvia Sanche of San Louis Potosi, Mex-1co and Sandy McDaniels of Plymouth and Lee McDaniels of South Lyon

Jennifer McLaughlin and Thomas Vendlands of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Mykenzie Anelse Vendlands, on Jan 23 at Garden City Hospital

Grandparents are Angle and ^{*} Butch Moskall of Wayne and Joseph Vendlands of Belleville

Olubusola and Althea Kuforiji of Garden City announce the birth of their child, Oluwatinuke Olubusayo Morenike Kuforiji on Jan 24 at Garden City Hospital

The siblings are Toyosi, 5, and

After 5 hosts Irish theme

Toju, 3

Grandparents are Oluyemisi and Abimbola Kuforiji of Lagos, Nigeria, and Clive and Joyce Reed of Detroit

Travis and Zakenka Bey of Inkster announce the birth of twins, Trinity and Treyvon Bey on Jan 28 at Garden City Hospital

They join brother, Travis, Jr, 1 at home

Grandparents are Gladys Bey of Inkster, Mary Holt of Westland and Bubba and Semon Holt of Detroit

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591 7279 or write Religion Calendar, Observer Newspaper, 36251 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, MI 48150 The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday

EASTER SERVICE

Covenant Community Church presents, Savior, a modern Oratorio about God's passion for his people, 11 a m , Sunday, March 24, at the church, 25800 Stu-

COUNTY NEWS

dent, Redford (313) 535-3100 **UNITY CHURCH**

Unity of Livonia will hold a World Healing Service and Forum from 7-9 p m Wednes-day, March 19. The church is located on Five Mile between Inkster and Middlebelt (734) 421-1760

ABOUT ISLAM

Imam Abdullah El Amin and Najah Bazzy, from the Islamic Center in Detroit, will discuss "Islamic Faith and Practice" and "Women in Islam" at 7 p m Thursday March 14, at Our Lady

of Good Counsel Church, North Territorial at Beck, Plymouth (734-) 455-1999

ANNUAL BANQUET

The Brotherhood of St Andrew, will meet for a banquet at 6 p m Friday, April 12, at St Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia Tickets are \$20 per person (734) 591-3067

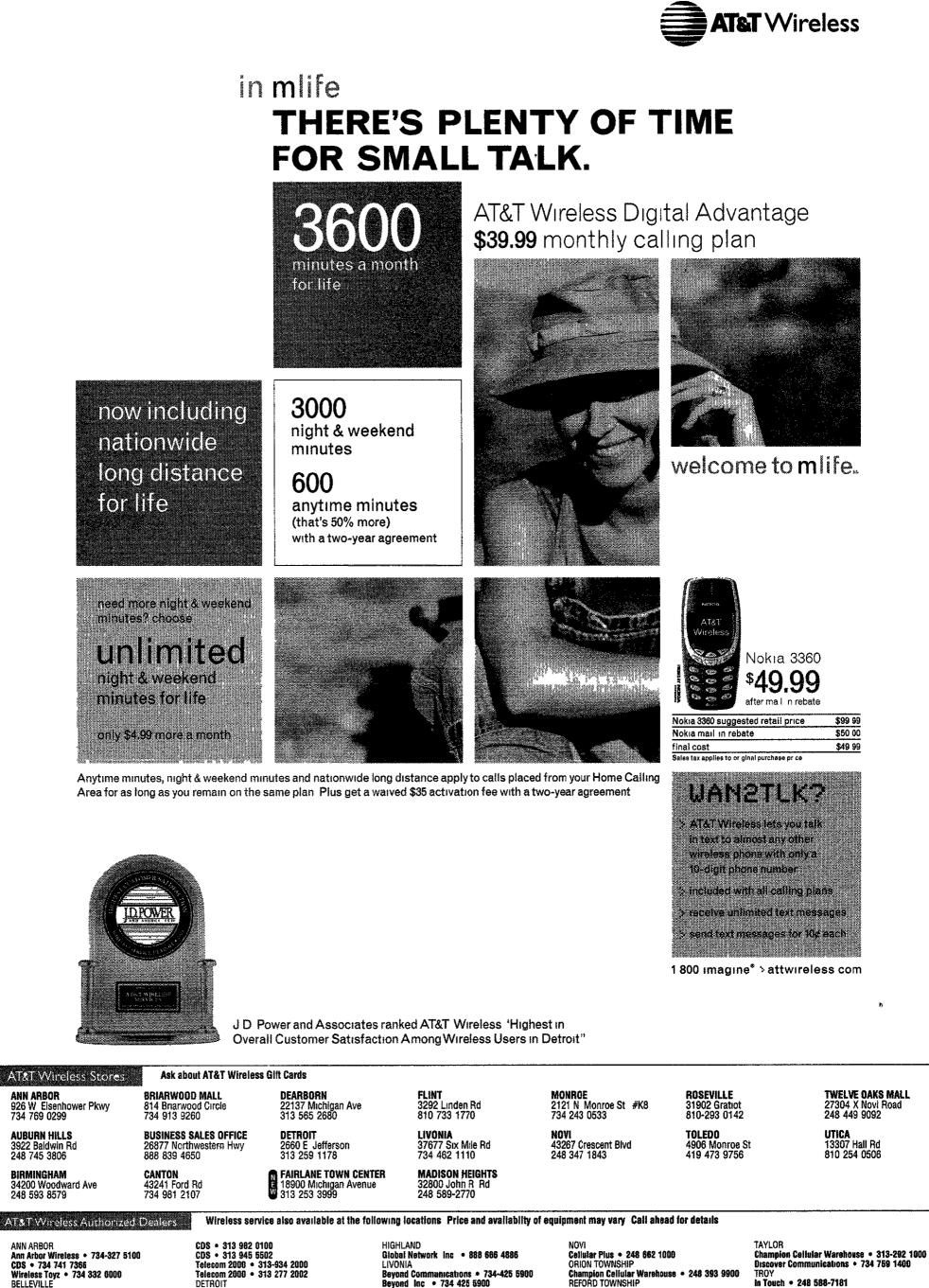
RETREAT FOR THE DIVORCED

A spiritual weekend retreat for men and women who are divorced or separated will be held March 22-24 at St John Center in Plymouth Cost is

\$100-\$115 and includes lodging and five meals Register by March 15 (313) 886-7413 or (734) 453-0222

WOMEN'S CLASS

Ward Presbyterian Church offers the ALPHA course on Christianity for women beginning Tuesday, March 19, in the church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville The 10-week class meets at 9 a m and includes a continental breakfast An evening class, at 6 p m starts on Thursday, March 21 It includes dınner Call (248) 374-5937



dinner party

Livonia Michigan "After 5' presents a dinner party, "Our Celebration of the Irish," 6 30-8 pm Tuesday, March 19 at the Holiday Inn at Laurel Park Place, I-275 at Six Mile Road in Livonia

Tickets are \$14 per person Call Nancy (248) 349-8333 or Lora (248) 932-3032, or e-mail LivoniaMiAfter5@hotmail.com for information Chicken stir-fry is the dinner entree

The event will feature a performance by students from Celtic Rhythm Academy, Windsor's School of Traditional Irish Dance Representatives from Celtic Shamrock, a shop for authentic Irish gifts in Farmington, will also be present

Guest speaker Lucille Benac shares a story about the journey of an underachiever bound by inferiority, anxiety, fear, failure and intimidation who became a blue ribbon winner



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peared Ten long minutes later, she finally greets us again

"H1 there,-W1ll there be anything else?"

"No," my husband says wearily "We've had enough '

I nod in agreement, adding, "I'm sorry about the mess," gesturing to the straws, paper and food scraps on the floor

"Oh, no problem," she says cheerily as she rips the bill from her pad and smacks it down on the table "Have a nice night'

We gather our things and leave her a good tip She deserves it, serving families like ours night after night After all, it's not just a job It's an adventure

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> You know how to interpret the appearance of the sky, but you cannot interpret the signs of the times RSV - Matthew 163

Here's a round up of church sponsored Lenten fish fries If your's isn't listed, send informa tion to the Observer Newspa pers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livo nia, MI 48150, atten Sharon Dargay To fax, call (734) 591 7279 or e-mail sdaray@oe homecomm net (Please send information as a Text file or copy and paste into e mail)

ST. AIDAN

17500 Farmington Road, Livonia (734) 425-5950 Serving 5 30-7 p m , excluding Good Friday Menu buffet style dinners include baked scrod, spaghetti, mostaccioli, vegetables, potatoes, coleslaw, dessert and beverages,

adults \$7 or \$8. children (6-11) \$3 50, under six years, free St Raphael - 31530 Beechwood, west of Merriman Road, two blocks north of Ford Road, Garden City, (734) 427-1533 Serving 4 30-7 p m except on Good Friday 3-7 p m Menu fish, shrimp and fish-shrimp combo dinners (\$7), fish sandwich plate (\$5 75), hot dog and fries (\$1 50), meals include choice of potato, coleslaw, roll and beverage

ST. KENNETH

14951 Haggerty Road, Plymouth Township, (734) 420-0288 Serving 530-730 pm Menu fish & chips (\$4 75), seafood platter (\$6), fried shrimp (\$6 75), children 6-12 years (\$2 50), five

FISH FRIES

years and under free Meals include salad, fries and beverage Vegetable lasagna and clam chowder soup available St Valentine - 25875 Hope, three blocks south of Five Mile, west of Beech Daly Road, Redford, (313) 532-4394 Fish dinners will be served on March 15. 22 and 29 Call for more information

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Booster Clubs host a fish fry dinner on Fridays during Lent 5 30-7 30 p m in the church social hall Menu includes fried and baked fish, fried shrimp or combo meals Dinners include cole slaw, potato and roll Cost is \$6 adults, \$5 for senior citizens

and \$3 50 for children Children's menu include fish, shrimp, chicken strips and macaroni and cheese Children's meals include potato chips and applesauce The church is on the northwest corner of Beck and North Territorial roads in Plymouth Township Call (734) 453-0326 Dine-in or carryout No fish fry on Good Friday

ST. AGATHA CHURCH

19750 Beech Daly Road (between Grand River and Eight Mile), Redford Township, offers fish and chips, baked cod, fried shrimp, macaroni and cheese dinner on all Fridays of Lent (including Good Friday) Dine-in or carryout Beverage and side

orders are available Senior citizens receive a \$1 discount on meals Meals are served 3-8 p m Patrons are asked to use the grade school entrance on Beech Daly Call (313) 532-6940

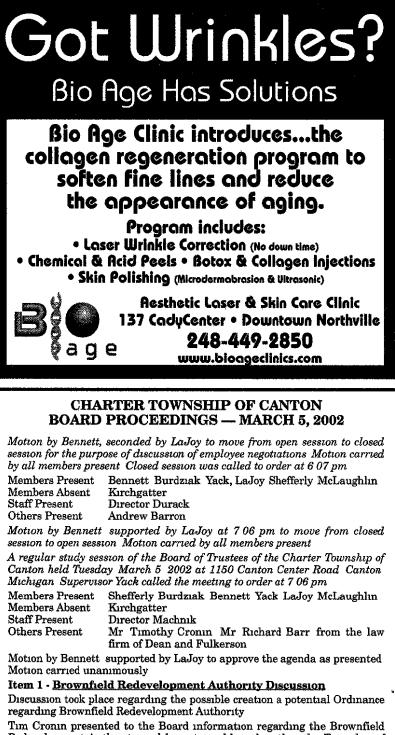
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

150 Fair, Plymouth, serves fish and chips, shrimp and chips, macaroni and cheese, 5-7 30 p m Fridays, March 22 and 29 Sta-

tions of the Cross on March 29, Call (734) 453-9833 for take out orders

ST. EDITH

15089 Newburgh, Livonia, (734) 464-1222 Serving 4 30-7 30 p m Menu all-you-can-eat fried cod with salad bar, fries or macaron1-and-cheese, and beverage $(\$6\ 95)$



Redevelopment Authority and how it would work within the Township of Canton

Mr Richard Barr, from the law firm of Dean and Fulkerson explained the history of the development of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and how it has been utilized within other communities

Item 2 - Electric Utility Franchise Ordinance Discussion

Discussion took place regarding the reconsideration of the Electric Utility Franchise Ordinance

Mr Cronin was present to inform the Board regarding some of the issues

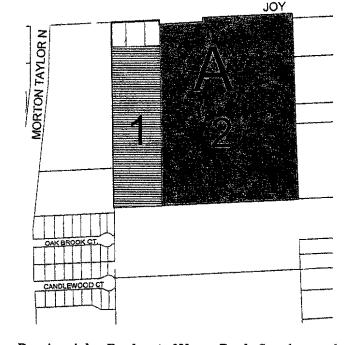
PLANNING COMMISSION **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE MISCELLANEOUS AREAS**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE POLICIES AND FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

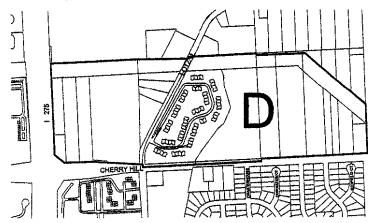
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Joy Road Between Morton Taylor and Lilley Roads (South <u>Area A</u> Side)

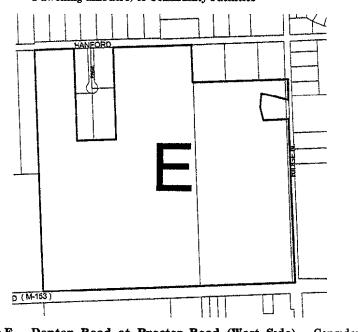
- 1) Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for part of parcel no 006 99 0009 000 from High Density Residential (up to 12 dwelling units/acre) to Community Facilities (Detroit Metro Water Dept)
- Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for 2) parcel nos 006 99 0005 000 and 006 99 0006 701 from High Density Residential (up to 12 dwelling units/acre) to Medium Density Residential (up to 4 dwelling units/acre)



99 0044 002 052 99 0046 000, 052 99 0048 000, and 052 99 0049 003 from Ford Lotz Corridor Area to Medium High Density Residential (up to 8 dwelling units/acre)



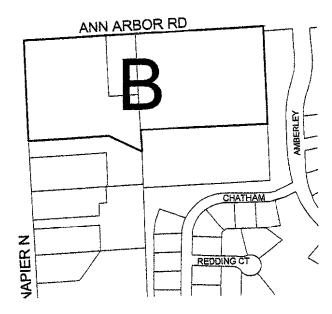
Area E Ford Road at Ridge Road (North Side) Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel nos 028 99 0001 001 and 028 99 0002 701 from Very Low Density Residential (up to 1 dwelling unit/acre) to Community Facilities



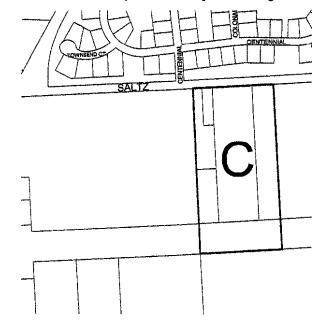
Denton Road at Proctor Road (West Side) Consider Area F amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel nos 076 99 0008 702 076 99 0009 000, and 117 99 0001 000 from

session to open session Motion carried by all members present

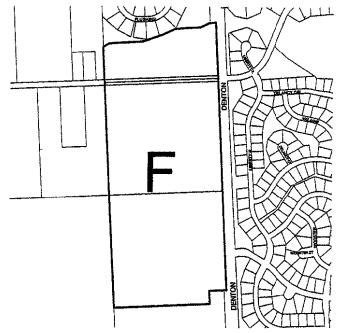
Area B Ann Arbor Road east of Napier Road Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel nos 022 99 0006 002 022 99 0006 003, and part of parcel no 022 99 0001 702 from Very Low Density Residential (up to 1 dwelling unit/acre) to Community Shopping



Saltz Road east of Ridge (South Side) Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel nos 067 99 0001 000, 067 99 0002 000 067 99 0003 000 067 99 0005 000, 067 99 Area C 0006 000 and part of parcel no 067 99 0004 701 from Cherry Hill Area to Low Density Residential (up to 2 dwelling units/acre

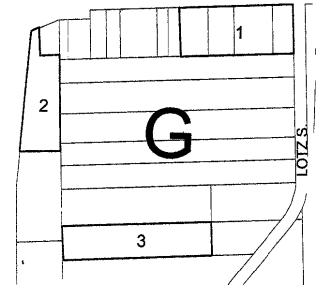


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Area G Palmer and Lotz Roads

- 1) Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel nos 098 99 0002 000, 098 99 0003 001, 098 99 0003 002 and 098 99 0003 003 from Medium Low Density Residential (up to 3 dwelling units/acre) to Medium High Density Residential (up to 8 dwelling units/acre)
- Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel no 098 99 0021 006 from Medium High Density Residential (up to 8 dwelling units/acre) to Community Faculties (Fellows Creek Golf Course)
- 3) Consider amending the Future Land Use Map designation for parcel no 098 99 0001 001 from Medium Low Density Residential (up to 3 dwelling units/acre) to Community Facilities (Fellows Creek Golf Course)



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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Adjourn

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy at 9 43 pm to adjourn Motion carried unanimously

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken a the regular/study board meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held on Tuesday March 5, 2002 The Full text of the approved minutes including comments will be available following the next regular board meeting held on March 12, 2002

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PLANNING COMMISSION **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON** NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

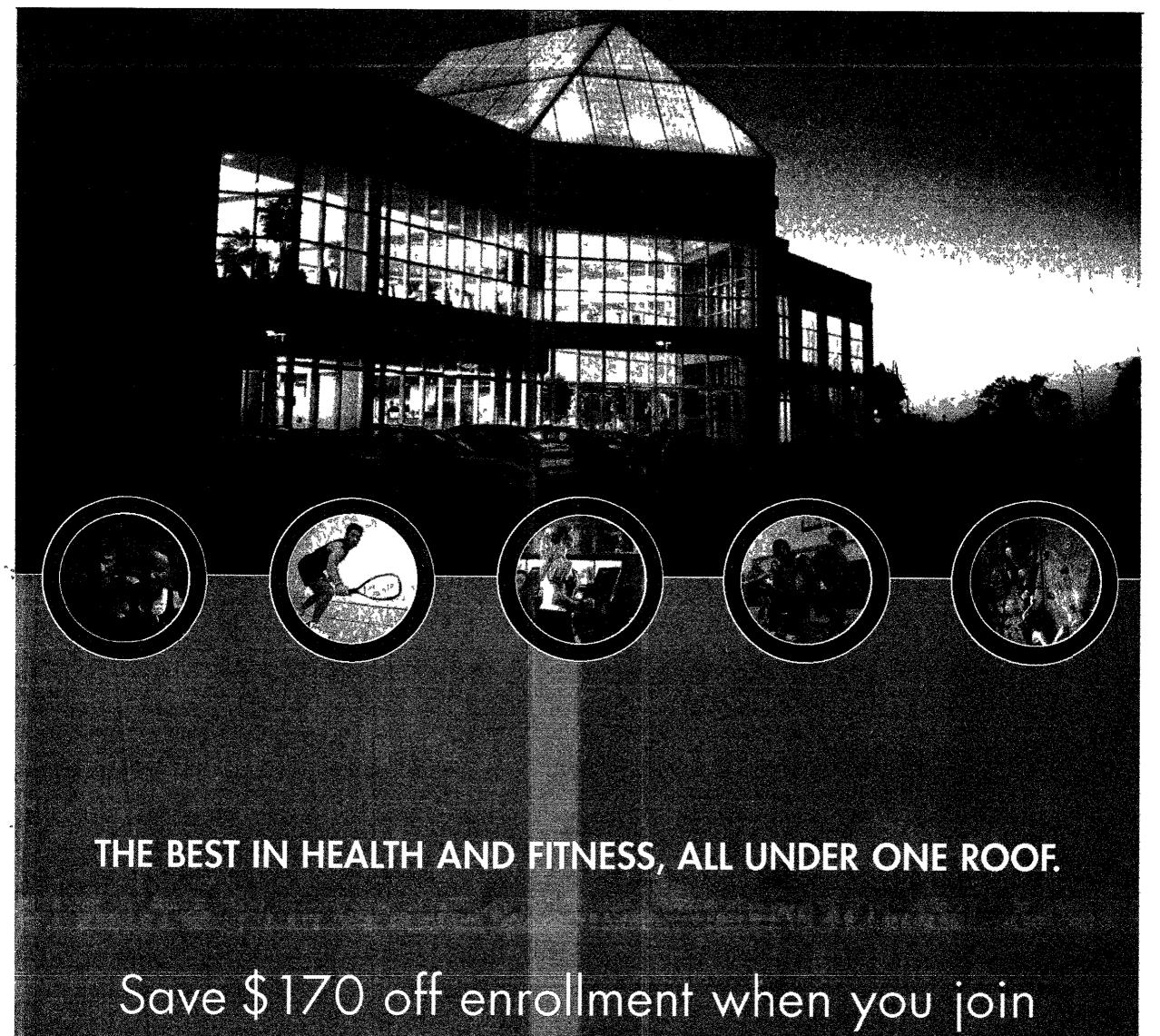
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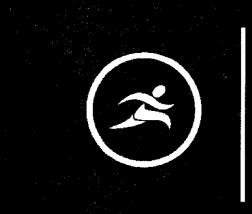
ZAHRAIE/CANTON TOWNSHIP FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (RESEARCH PARK RECOMMENDED) TO GENERAL COMMERCIAL FOR PARCEL NOS 131 99 0001 000 131 99 0002 000 131 99 0003 000 131 99 0004 000, 131 99 0005 000, 131 99 0006 000, 131 99 0007 000 131 99 0010 000, 131 99 0011 000, 131 99 0012 000, 131 99 0013 000 131 99 0014 000 and 131 99 0015 000 Property is located north of Michigan Avenue and east of Beck Road

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REAL ESTATE

Thursday, March 14, 2002

Condo bylaws may ban canines

I reside in a condominium where they don't allow dogs. Is there anything in the law that prohibits a condominium from banning dogs?



sial topic in many housing developments but especially in attached condominiums I presume that you

live in Michigan The Michigan Condominium Act allows a condominium association and/or a developer to impose reasonable restrictions, and these may include pet

This is a controver-

MEISNER restrictions If you are a dog lover, you may wish

to move to California, which recently passed a "pet bill" which permits every owner and tenant to keep at least one pet in a condominium unit Opponents to the new law suggest

that, as a result, neighbors will be subjected to smelly dogs, flea-infested common areas and poop in the corridors of hallways

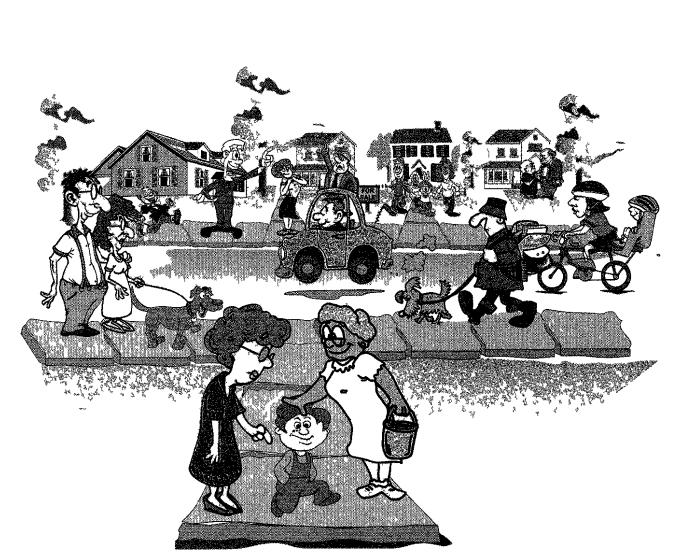
I am interested in buying a home in Naples, Fla., and I understand that the prices are still appreciating as much as 20 percent per year. Do you have information on that?

Having reviewed the Naples real estate market recently, it appears to me that prime properties are appreci-ating between 15-30 percent on an annual basis

Many homes of 5,000-6,000 square feet in the Port Royal District on the water are selling for \$6 million-\$8 million Many homes are being torn down, with re-builts following

Consult with a licensed real estate broker and consider procuring an independent appraiser

Robert M Meisner, a lawyer, concen trates his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law



Vibrant Neighborhoods:

How to find them, how they evolve

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER dfunke@oe homecomm net

It's people who make or break neighborhood A good neighbor is like sizzle on the steak, fragrance on the flower, colors with the sunset

Neighborhoods on the upswing aren't all that rare, but you have to know what you're looking for before you find them

"To me, a vibrant neighborhood would include young people, single people and elderly people " said Susan Tedesco, co-owner of RE/MAX Showcase Homes in Birmingham

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Susan Tedesco --- co-owner of RE / MAX Showcase Homes in Birmingham

"Our garbage pick-up, police and fire are top-notch," Campbell said "We've got great shopping and we're close in from the city of Detroit to go there for sporting events"

Campbell also calls for direct observation in scoping out potential places to live

"You have to see a neighborhood in all different times - nights, weekends, when kids are out playing," he said

"It doesn't hurt to walk up and down the street If you see someone doing something, talk with them Ask them what they like, don't like Ask them to tell you about the city are more than willing to talk " Crime prevention bureaus of local police departments may be able to provide specific information by neighborhood "depending on their computer system," said Jamie Senkbeil, community resource officer in Plymouth Township Active Neighborhood Watch programs can be a good sign, she added "One thing about crime prevention is you can't scale it," Senkbeil said "But at least it shows concern and an organization when you have Neighborhood Watch It shows they're paying attention ' Block parties and yard sales often follow from active associations and Neighborhood Watch, indicators of a vibrant neighborhood, Senkbeil said Don't despair if you're neighborhood isn't what if could be, activists say Get a few neighbors together and make it happen Organize a block party or neighborhood yard sale Collect for private snow removal service on your block 'People need to take time to say hello to each other, neighborly conversations," Campbell said "Send up a mailing, get up a newsletter," Tedesco added "People like to be involved, they like to be asked It's amazing how people will step up to the plate and hit a home run

Mortgage options help 'nonconformers'

In a perfect world, everyone would qualify for a mortgage with the lowest interest rate and the very best terms

If you discover that world, please let me know



MORTGAGE

In the real world – that's where we live most of the time there are things that can negatively affect a borrower's ability to qualify for a conven-tional, conforming mortgage

TIM 'TIMBO' PHILLIPS

Couples get divorced, people lose jobs, and borrowers sometimes overlook bills Credit blemishes and a shortage of

funds are two key reasons many people feel they are destined to a life of renting

A borrower with dreadful circumstances will probably have to resort to a "nonconforming" loan to gain home ownership This almost always means a slightly higher interest rate and usually a prepayment penalty, but it also means owning a home instead of renting one

Incentives

With so many lenders vying for nonconforming business, many now offer incentives to entice brokers to send them business One such lender has a prepayment penalty, but offsets it with a "timely rewards" program that allows borrowers to qualify for cash "rebates" if they make their monthly payments on time

Others let borrowers "buy out" of the prepayment penalty, or accept a higher interest rate to avoid it

While I almost always try to figure out a way to get my clients into a FHA loans (for better rates and no penalties) instead of a nonconforming mortgages, non-conforming products do have some advantages over the FHA

Nonconforming mortgages can sometimes have slightly lower closing costs, and they generally have a shorter approval period Unlike, FHA loans, non-conforming products often have "mortgage insurance" factored into the interest rate resulting in a beefier taxdeduction

Most people are eligible for a mortgage of some sort The question is whether these people can accept the terms of the loan for which they qualify My roommate in pilot training, an old Arkansas boy, used to say, "you can't buff a turd " While I am generally inclined to agree with him, in the mortgage world there are ways to make an ugly situation a bit prettier For free e newsletters, credit assessments or mortgage pre qualifications, go to www vlender com /p /phillipshq or call (734) 797 5522 [24 hours] Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation

and litigation This column provides general information and shouldn't be construed as legal advice

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APPLIANCES INCLUDED?

PROPERTY TAXES (BASED ON SELLING PRICE, NOT CURRENT RECORDS)

MUNICIPAL SERVICES PROVIDED (TRASH COLLECTION, LEAF PICK-UP, SNOW REMOVAL, LIBRARY)

CONDITION OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES

"I live in a neighborhood like that and love it," she said "I see people walking dogs The little school bus stops in front of my house We have a grocery store, shopping, nearby"

Louise Bisogni, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Clarkston, finds that schools are very important

"That's probably at the top of the list," she said "Next is when you see people out That makes a big difference Curb appeal is very important The entrance to the sub is important"

Nancy Mahlin, an associate broker with Cranbrook Associates Franklin. currently has a listing in Westwood Commons, Beverly Hills, which she described as an energized community

"They have created certain activities that bring it together to make it vibrant," she said

"They have a progressive dinner They're also part of the Franklin Garden Walk They have a ladies book club - not to exclude guys They also have a sleep over for kids and a picnic," Mahlin said

It all starts with a sense of community and a strong association, she said And that means people

But vibrancy goes beyond special events for Mahlın

"I like to see people out taking care of the house, gardening — that vitality of people being involved with homes," she said "It can be people of all ages It can be that older person raking the lawn, or kids and mom out and about "

Sharp Realtors will make a note of a neighborhood's vibrancy in their list-

Cranbrook

first-hand look

friends also work

"When I'm with clients and they ask about kids, I suggest people drive through an area after school is out or on a weekend and see for themselves," Mahlın saıd "You can pretty much tell if almost every other house has a playscape or (basketball) hoop'

ing tickets, Mahlin said Word-of-

mouth endorsements from family and

But nothing impresses more than a

Thriving neighborhoods flow from knowing directly what's happening and getting directly involved in charting a course, said Walter Gamble Jr. a Clarkston councilman and member of that city's lake board

"Become aware of what's going on so you have a voice in the community," he said

Robert Campbell 1s president of the Sheltering Pines Condominium Association in Westland and vice-president of the umbrella group Westland Condominium Directors Organization

"We pay our bills We maintain the property" he said of his association

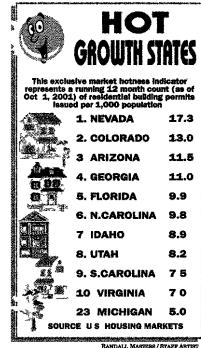
But a vibrant neighborhood goes beyond that, he added

"Reach out to people, try to help a little bit," Campbell said "It can't be one track — me, me, me or I, I, I A lot of people complain It's just as easy to get out there and do something, put back into the community'

Neighborhood Watch and Eyes and Ear patrol are good ways to get involved, he said Condominium associations always need volunteers to serve on committees like buildings and grounds and maintenance

Quality municipal services also add to the mix

"You'd be surprised at the difference a few people can make," Bisogni said



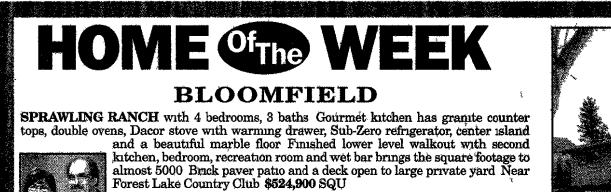
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Gregory R. McDuffee, director of real estate strategies and vice president of SmithGroup in Detroit, has been appointed chairman of Fannie Mae's HouseMichigan

Advisory Council The advisory council's mission is to address challenges and opportunities facing Michigan's affordable housing market

SmithGroup is an architectural, engineering and planning firm

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He's a member of the Michigan Society of Arch1tects, the American College of Health-

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tors Association, headquartered in Livonia. announces its officers and directors

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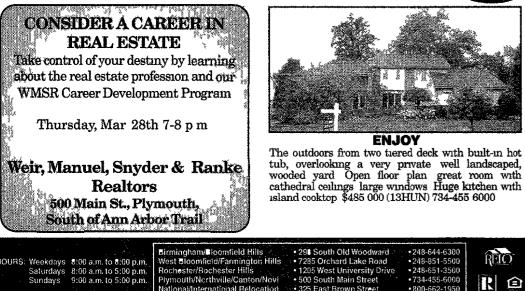
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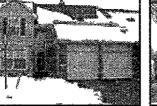
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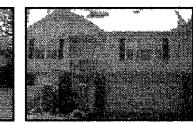
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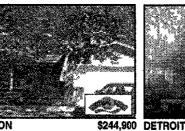
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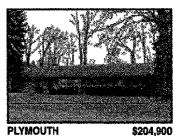
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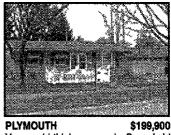


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Suspended ceilings look | Trees improve property good, easy to install

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

When you walk into a store or some other commercial building and look up at the ceiling and see something that looks akin to a tic-tac-toe board, chances are you're looking at a suspended ceiling

It gets its name from the way it is held in place Some refer to it as an acoustic ceiling, because it contain panels that "deaden sound '

Another term is a "T-bar ceiling" The channels that make up the grid that hold the panels in place are T-shaped

The suspended ceiling is one of the easiest and mexpensive ceilings to install especially when the task calls for a flat surface that can be used to hide an existing ceiling or unsightly building components at roof or ceiling level

Although suspended ceilings are typical ly used in commercial applications, you can take advantage of one in your home

They're appropriate if you're looking at a music studio, a hobby center, a computer room or office or for some other use where a lower ceiling is needed or to conceal mechanical devises, cables, piping, ducts and other overhead equipment and machinery

The neatest thing about a suspended ceiling is that it can be removed without major damage to the existing structure

Installing the ceiling is easy But first you will need the following tools A long level (a 3-footer will do, but the

longer the better) Hammer and nails or a screw gun and

- screws
- A measuring tape
- 📕 A razor knife
- A hacksaw

■ Wire cutters and a pair of pliers The suspended ceiling materials you will need include three kinds of track, runners, wall angles, crossties, bailing wire, and hooks or eyes and the panels of your

choice Before purchasing the track, you will need to select the panel style, color and the panel size

When it comes to suspended ceilings, size is really important. The bigger the panel, the fewer tracks are needed and the quicker the installation However, keep in mind that in small rooms, large ceiling panels can make the room seem smaller

There are two basic sizes that are readily

available, 2-by-2 foot and 2-by-4 foot As you might have already guessed, the smaller panels take twice as many crossties as the larger panels

Keep in mind that the most popular light fixtures for suspended ceilings are 2-by-4 Loudspeakers, smoke alarms, heat register supplies and returns all fit into any size

Wall angle pieces are attached to the wall, continuously, all the way around the room at the exact same height Professional installers use laser levels to establish a height (elevation), but you can get away with a regular level or a measuring tape

Once the perimeter is attached, then the runners are placed Placing runners is simple if you hang wires above each course first

Wires are attached to the existing ceiling by twisting each one around a screw eye Runners interlock with the perimeter track and each other end to end while the wires are threaded through the track to raise or lower them, maintaining a level plane

You can install all of your runners first and then the crossties But we like to complete the grid as we go installing light fixtures, ducting and other elements that will connect to the grid

The last step is to install the panels Sliding them into place is a bit tricky at first, but once you get the hang of it, the process goes quickly

Keep in mind that installing a suspended ceiling is like installing floor tiles Some measuring is appropriate so that perimeter panels will be reasonably uniform in width

Without this consideration, a course of full tiles could exist at one side of the room with just a narrow slit at the other side Planning is important here

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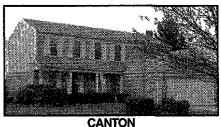
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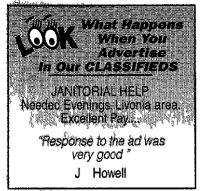
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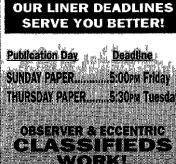
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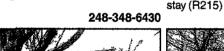
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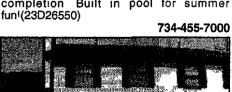
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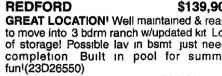


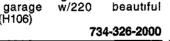
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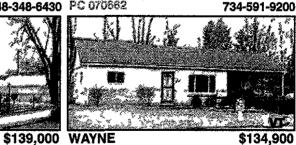
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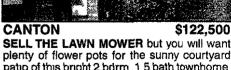
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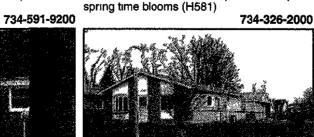
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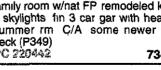
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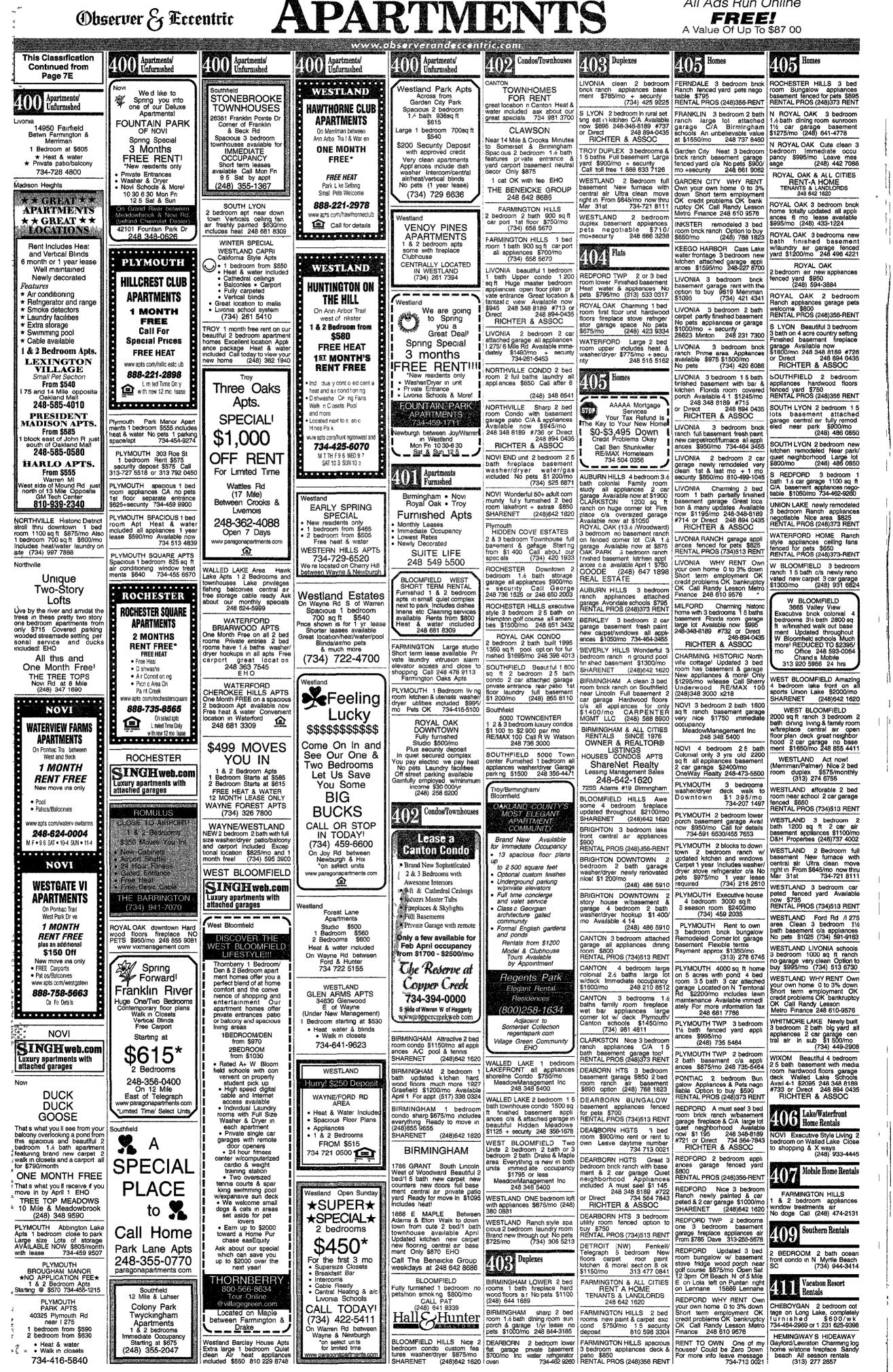


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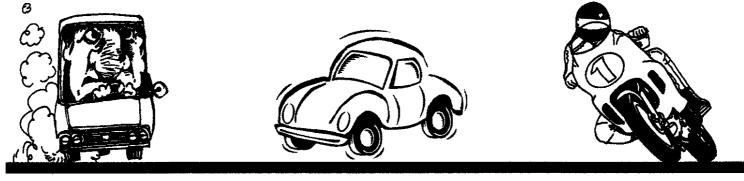
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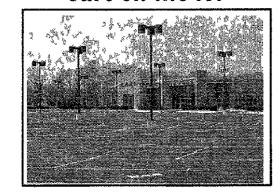
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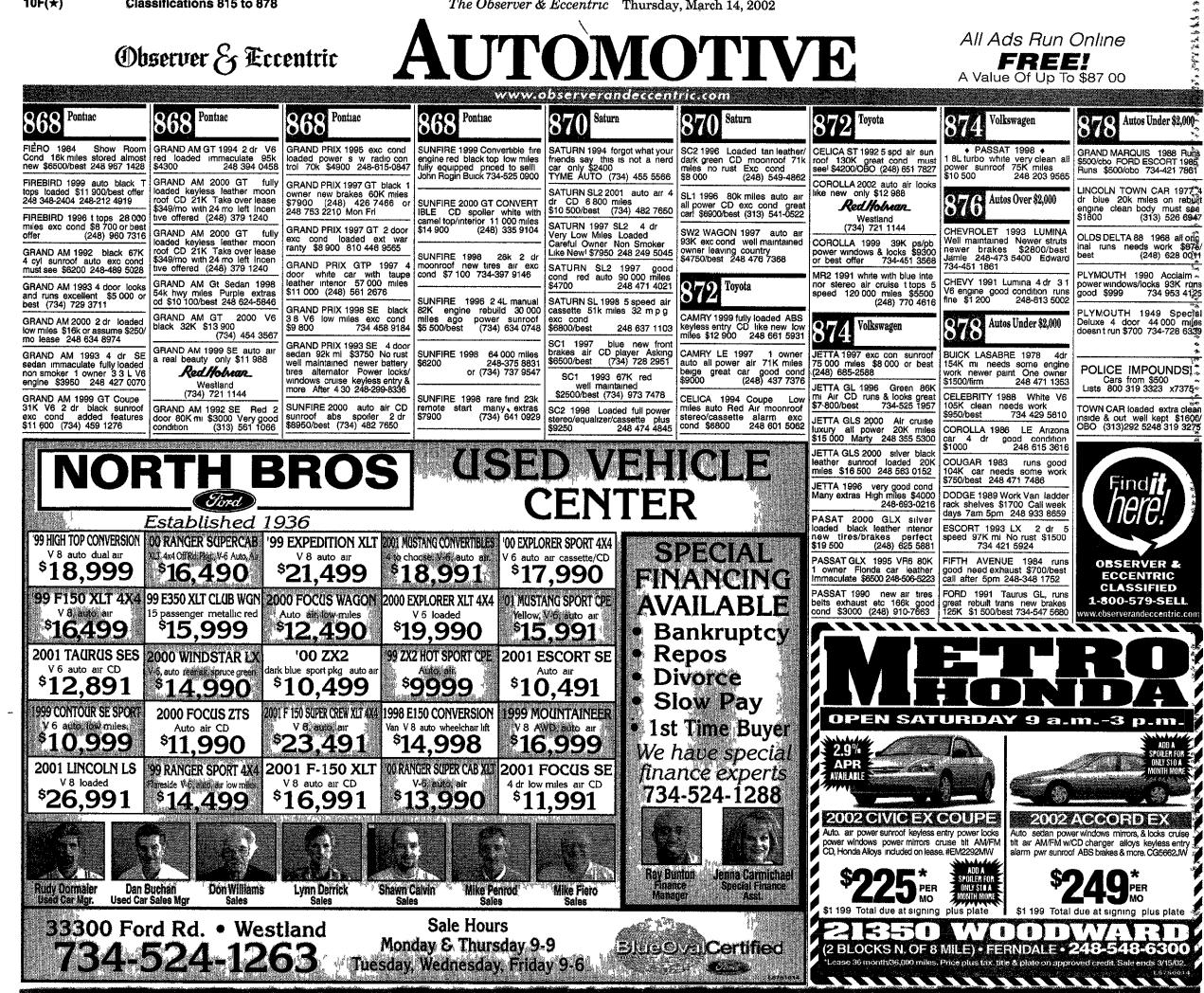
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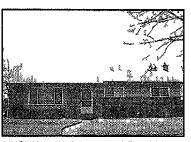
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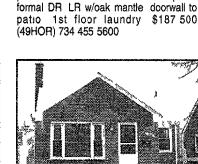
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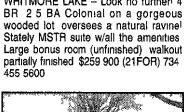
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