



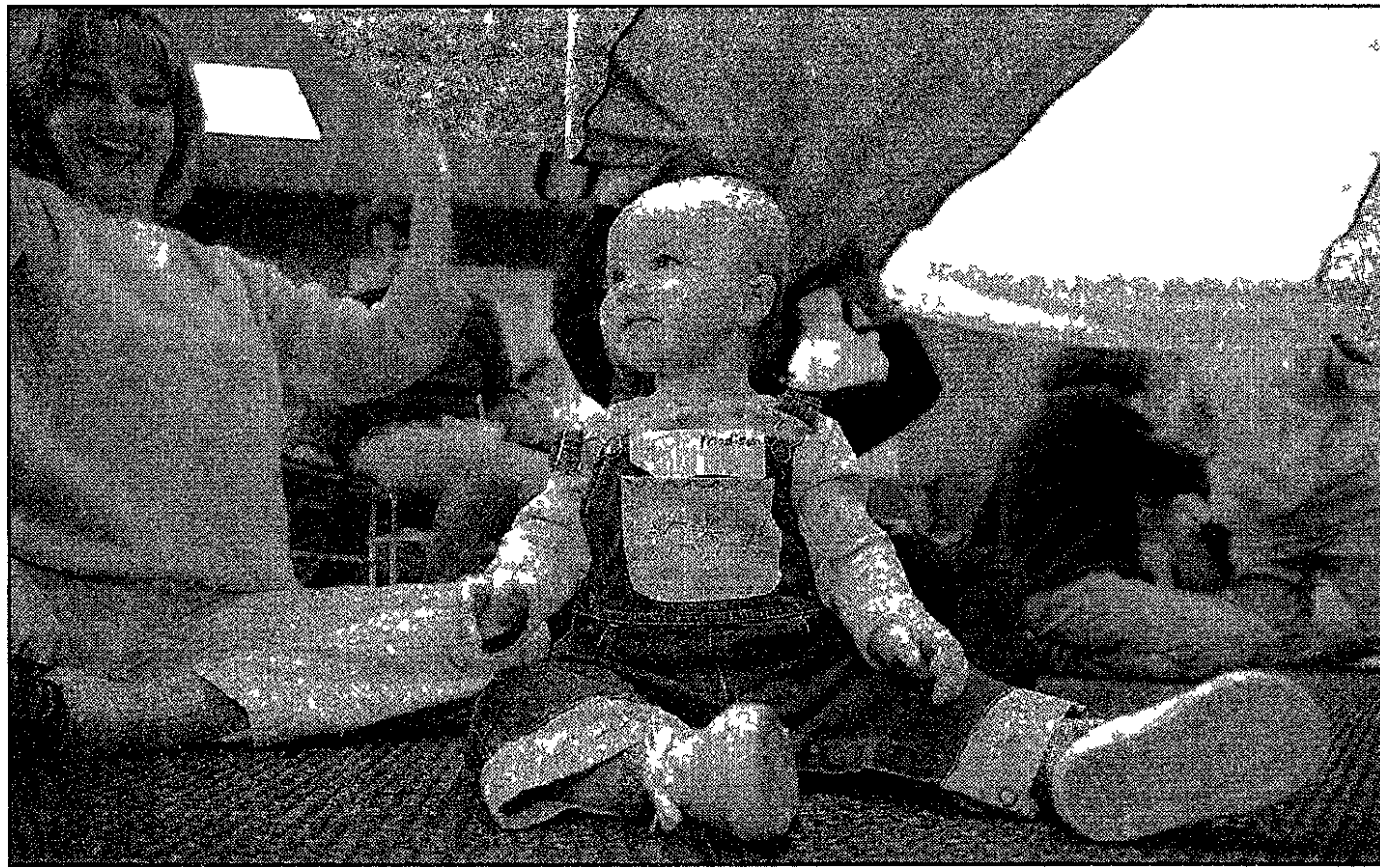
Praise Mom with a poem

Celebrate your mother with a poem and win a prize for her courtesy of the Observer Newspapers. We're inviting our young readers, 13 and under, to submit a poem in praise of their mother. The poem can take any form from haiku to sonnet to free verse. A panel of judges will select their favorite. Seven winning poets will win a gift for mom. The prizes include an 11 by 14 inch portrait for up to 14 people from Focal Point Photography in Farmington and Canton (sitting fee is included), \$100 gift certificate to Ernesto's Restaurant in Plymouth Township, \$100 gift certificate to Antonio's Italian Cucina in Farmington Hills, \$100 gift certificate to Sandtraps in Livonia and more.

We'll publish the winning entry and other entries on Mother's Day. Entries are due to The Observer by Monday, May 6.

Send entries to Mother's Day Contest, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or fax to (734)591-7279 or e-mail to hgallagher@oe.homecomm.net

Babies and books



STAFF PHOTOS BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Fundamental reading: Nine-month-old Madison Wiza of Plymouth (top) has fun with mom, Karen, and other little ones while playing with a parachute at the end of lap-sit story time at the Plymouth Library. The library offers the Born to Read program, which provides a free tote bag, several new books, a suggested reading list for babies and related information about the positive effect of reading for infants. Seven-month-old Matthew Cupp (bottom photo) of Plymouth dances with his mom, Kristen, during the lap-sit story time.



Seven-month-old Matthew Cupp (bottom photo) of Plymouth dances with his mom, Kristen, during the lap-sit story time.

Police nab teen suspect

Plymouth Township police put their \$25,000 computer system to work, and the result was an arrest in a series of property damage crimes in a local subdivision.

BY BRAD KADRICH
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Thanks to a particularly observant resident and a \$25,000 communications system, Plymouth Township Police believe they've nabbed juveniles responsible for doing hundreds of dollars worth of damage to property in the Westbriar Subdivision.

According to police, a tip from a resident led to a search warrant being executed early Tuesday morning by the township's Narcotics Interdiction Team in a Westbriar home, where they found a small amount of marijuana and several pieces of stolen property.

A 15-year-old youth was taken into custody and taken to the Wayne County Youth Home. He faces charges of home invasion, malicious destruction of property and possession of marijuana.

The charges stem from damage the youth allegedly did in the area over the course of several weeks. Car windows were smashed, car tires slashed and the area experienced several burglaries. A pair of subsequent search warrants resulted in the arrest of a second teen in connection with the recent crimes. Police officials believe they now have everyone suspected in these crimes in custody.

Police Chief Tom Tiderington credits the alert resident and the Community Watch Program, an automated telephone message system, with aiding in the arrests. The program allows police to forward recorded messages to residents in a particular area.

In this case, the Community Watch Program alerted residents in 142 homes to the rash of crimes in the area, a warning that resulted in several tips instrumental to the investigation.

"We're going to be using it more, and residents can expect more phone calls," Tiderington said. "We want to start using it in various ways."

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Commission sets up charter review committee

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The Plymouth city commission Monday night established a committee to review the city's charter and recommend any outdated and inconsistent changes back to the commission.

It's the first time in 11 years a committee has been set up to critique the charter, making certain the city's constitution conforms with any new federal and state laws.

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"There are a lot of antiquated sections in the charter that need to be revised or tossed out because they just don't apply anymore," said Mayor Pro-Tem Colleen Pobur. "It makes sense to re-evaluate the document every once in awhile."

In 1991, the city commission appointed a charter committee, which made several recommendations to the city commission which resulted in ballot questions being put forth to the voters.

The committee was disbanded after completing its work.

"It's the responsible thing to do, and we want to make sure that residents are aware they can put in their applications to be on the committee," added Commissioner Stella Greene. "We want a wide range of people involved in this process so we can get a broad perspective. It's important to have people that will devote the time, effort and energy necessary to take this very seriously."

Greene was a city commissioner when

the last charter review committee reported its findings.

"It's a very difficult process," she said. "There are a lot of issues. This is the guide book for what we do, and it's important that it reflects our community and its needs."

City residents who would like to be a member of the charter review committee can pick up a volunteer form at City Hall, or on the city's Web site at <http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us>

School board VP tosses hat into state House ring

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Plymouth-Canton Schools vice president Mark Slavens has announced his candidacy for the newly redistricted 21st State House race, which includes most of Canton Township, Van Buren Township and Belleville.

Slavens, 47, of Canton, is thus far the only Democrat to announce intentions to run for the seat which is being vacated by incumbent Bruce Patterson (R-Canton Township), who is running for an open Senate seat.

Two Republicans will meet in the Aug. 5 primary: Canton Township trustee Phil LaJoy and Herb Scott of Canton, president of the Habitat for Humanity Western Wayne County affiliate, located in Plymouth.

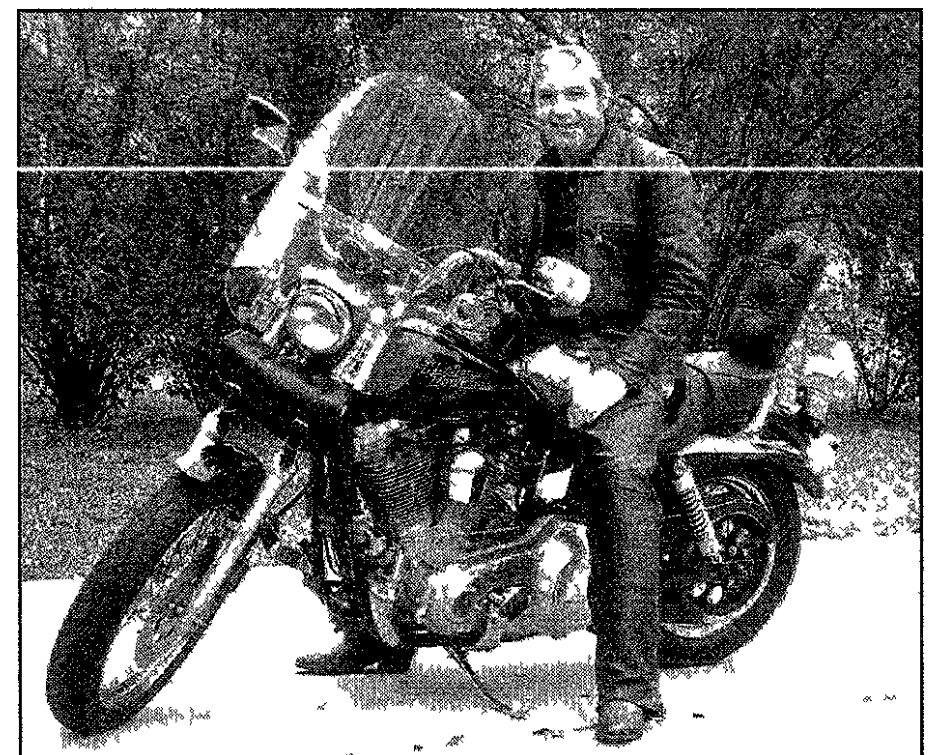
It's not surprising that Slavens, a school board member the past three years and chairperson of the school finance reform group Michigan Citizens for Fairness in Public School Funding, sees education as a top priority.

"I think it is very unfair that the state of Michigan mandates that certain districts receive \$11,700 per child, while some, like ours, receive only \$6,800 per child," Slavens said. "I'm seeing the problems that's creating for our district, and I realize that it's time for me to go to Lansing and see if I can help the children of the district."

Slavens said that while he was approached earlier this year by party leaders to throw his hat into the ring, it wasn't until after the school finance summit, held last month at Salem High School, that he made up his mind.

"We had 1,000 people show their interest in supporting public schools and changes in public school financing," said Slavens. "I didn't hear a whole lot from the legislators or the gubernatorial candidates about real solutions to this problem. We're going to have a change in the governor and a lot of new state representatives and senators. Now is the time, if you have people who are strongly committed to

Bike blessing



Harley dude: Dan Sarb of Plymouth poses on his Harley-Dyna-Superglide. Along with other area bikers, Sarb will be at St. Kenneth Catholic Church on Saturday, April 20, for the Blessing of the Bikes. See story in HomeTown Life.

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Literary scholarship

Ladies Literary Club, founded in 1896, will host their annual fund raiser to support a scholarship they award to one John Glenn and one Wayne Memorial High School female student every May

The group will host a "Jewels & Junque Sale" 10 a m to 4 p m Saturday, April 20 at the First Congregational Church in Wayne (2 Town Square)

The sale will feature new and almost-new household items, home decor accents and more

A representative from Knightsbridge Antiques of Northville will be appraising items from 1-4 p m Appraisal for two items will cost \$5

Bring in those antiques you're interested in having appraised from jewelry to glassware, furniture to collectibles

All proceeds benefit the Ladies Literary Scholarship Fund

Ladies Literary Club President Cheryl Hawley encourages the community to come out and support the fund that benefits young women in the area who are interested in furthering their education

"This is a long-standing tradition in our community We support young women from two local high schools who wish to pursue their education beyond high school The public's support is essential to the continued success of our scholarship program," said Hawley

"The event will feature a lot of great 'junque' and is sure to attract a number of shoppers We encourage people to take advantage of the expertise the appraiser is offering and find out how much their items and collectibles are really worth"

PLYMOUTH PIPELINE

Legion open house

Beasley-Zalesny American Legion Post 112 hosts a two day community open house to increase growth, community service and ability to assist veterans and their families in the Plymouth area

The event will be held at the Odd Fellow Hall, at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Elizabeth, from 10 a m 7 p m Friday, April 26, and from 10 a m 5 p m Saturday, April 27

It's open to honorably discharged wartime veterans and their families are welcome

A state Veterans Service Officer will be on hand to help with veterans benefits questions or claims American Legion membership is over 93,000 statewide

American Legion eligibility dates are Persian Gulf, Aug 2 1990-cessation of hostilities, Panama, Dec 20, 1989-Jan 31, 1990, Grenada/Lebanon, Aug 24, 1982-July 31, 1984, Vietnam, Feb 28, 1961-May 7, 1975, Korea, June 25-1950-Jan 31, 1955, World War II, Dec 7, 1941-Dec 31, 1946, World War I, April 6, 1917-Nov 11, 1918

Jazz concert

The Plymouth Canton Educational Park Jazz Ensembles I and II perform a free concert at the Penn Theatre in Plymouth at 7 30 p m Monday, May 6

The community is invited, and a free-will

donation will be accepted

The Jazz Ensembles, under the direction of Clayton Wachholz, are currently seeking club status at the park

The purpose of this free concert is to showcase the Jazz Program at PCEP and at the same time, invite the community to utilize the ensembles as entertainment for local events, according to Lorraine Paffenroth of the Plymouth Canton Music Boosters

"Ultimately, future concerts will bring in guest jazz artists," she said "We are grateful to Jim Courtney and John Mazzai of the Penn Theatre Group for allowing us to rent the theater for this event"

For more information contact Clayton Wachholz at 416-2909 or Lorraine Paffenroth at 455-8213

Showcase Plymouth

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, with major sponsorship from Hines Park Lincoln Mercury, presents Showcase Plymouth 2002, the annual mini-business expo, and Taste of Plymouth, featuring 15 of Plymouth's best eateries and pizzerias

Showcase Plymouth takes place from 5 7 p m May 1 at St John's Golf and Conference Center, 5 Mile and Sheldon

The event features more than 60 booths, and will see scholarships and the service club's Volunteer of the Year award handed out

Admission is \$4 For more information, call the chamber at (734) 453-1540, or visit the Web site, www.plymouthchamber.org

Township talks to college about move

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Ann Arbor Township board members didn't do Tom Monaghan any favors Monday night, but they may have done one for Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann

Ann Arbor Township officials rejected a request from Monaghan and Domino's Farms to rezone property in order to build a campus for Ave Maria College adjacent to the Farms, which is zoned for office space

In doing so they may have opened the door for Monaghan to bring the college to Plymouth Township, something Mann would love to see happen

"What better place than Plymouth for a Catholic college like that?" asked Mann "I think we have a great community to offer them We have a great base for them"

Toward that end, Mann and director of municipal services Jim Anulewicz sat down with Domino's Farms representatives Monday to discuss options Monaghan is also considering moving to Naples, Fla., as well as other options in Michigan and other parts of the country

Though no decisions were made both sides said it was a good meeting

"It was a very healthy discussion," said Ave Maria spokesman John Petz "We're exploring a lot of community options, Plymouth among them"

Mann was satisfied with the meeting, and hopes to meet again

"We told (Petz) what Plymouth has to offer, and they expressed an interest," Mann said "They have a couple of other locations they're interested in, but we're going to go back and discuss Plymouth Township's options"

Petz and Monaghan find themselves at a loss to explain the Ann Arbor Township board's decision especially since other educational facilities — a new Catholic high school and grade school — about the Domino's Farms property

Petz said a "fairly strong" anti-growth sentiment among board members and the perception that Domino's Farms is "a corner stone" of their master plan for office building were among the factors that contributed to the denial of the rezoning request

"We're a little baffled by that but it's their decision," Petz said "We thought it was going to be a very good match, and we're disappointed Mr Monaghan and the college are committed to the long term success, and we're focused at this point in finding the right home"

A former elementary school is the current home for the college and its 135 students

"We're looking for the best long term option for Ave Maria," Petz said "Wherever the best fully functional campus can be built that's where we'll build it"

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GOLF SWING INJURY
An estimated 10% of golf injuries involve the shoulder. The extreme end of both the backswing and the follow through of the swing can strain and tear the muscles that constitute the rotator cuff, which holds the end of the upper arm's humerus bone to the shoulder blade. This joint is inherently lax. If it is too lax it can predispose the golfer to injury. The golf swing is over the head motion at the top of the backswing and at the end of the follow through can tear and inflame the rotator cuff. Prevention of injury rests with a smooth swing and balanced muscle strength, particularly between the chest muscles, pectoralis major and the latissimus dorsi.
While a golf or tennis pro can improve your swing, correct injury has occurred your best bet is to work with a physical therapist to learn how to modify your activity and repair the damage. Often treatment consists of strengthening surrounding muscles to correct the imbalance caused by constant repetition of a specific motion. To learn more about today's top ask your physician for a referral to the HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY. You may also call our modern well equipped facilities located at 470 Forest Avenue Suite 20 in Plymouth at 455 major and the latissimus dorsi 8370.
PS The over-the-head motion of throwing a baseball and serving a tennis ball can also cause tears of inflammation of the rotator cuff's elaborate network of muscles and tendons.
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Music and money

Symphony concert helps double funds goal

BY BRAD KADRICH
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The nearly 500 people at Laurel Manor for Friday's annual Plymouth Symphony auction/concert weren't the only ones smiling.

Executive Director Darlene Dreyer was doing a little jig herself.

Dreyer had reason enough to be a little giddy, since the symphony raked in about twice the amount of money officials were hoping to get.

The dozens of items available in both the live and silent auctions drew about \$10,000, and sales of raffle tickets earned another \$7,000. When you add \$20,000 in admissions, the symphony pulled in \$37,000, nearly twice the goal for the evening.

"It was very exciting," Dreyer said. "We don't get to see all the

wonderful people who are so generous every day. That's my favorite part, seeing everyone. It's like my own little party."

The live auction, emceed by Fred Hill, featured 10 items ranging from a U.S. flag that had been flown over the Capitol in Washington, D.C. to a 14-carat yellow gold necklace with 60 points of diamonds, valued at \$1,899.

The silent auction featured 176 items, including music CDs, hand-made baskets, paintings, jewelry, and other goodies donated by various local businesses.

"Our thanks go out to the merchants and businesses who helped make the concert auction a success," said Jo Swerc, presi-

dent of the Plymouth Symphony League. "We are deeply appreciative of their continuing support for the musical tradition the symphony represents."

The concert featured the symphony playing music representing the night's theme "A Night at the Oscars." It featured Academy Award-winning music from movies like *Titanic*, *Vertigo* and *Schindler's List*, as well as *The Wizard of Oz*, *Casa Blanca* and *Star Wars*.

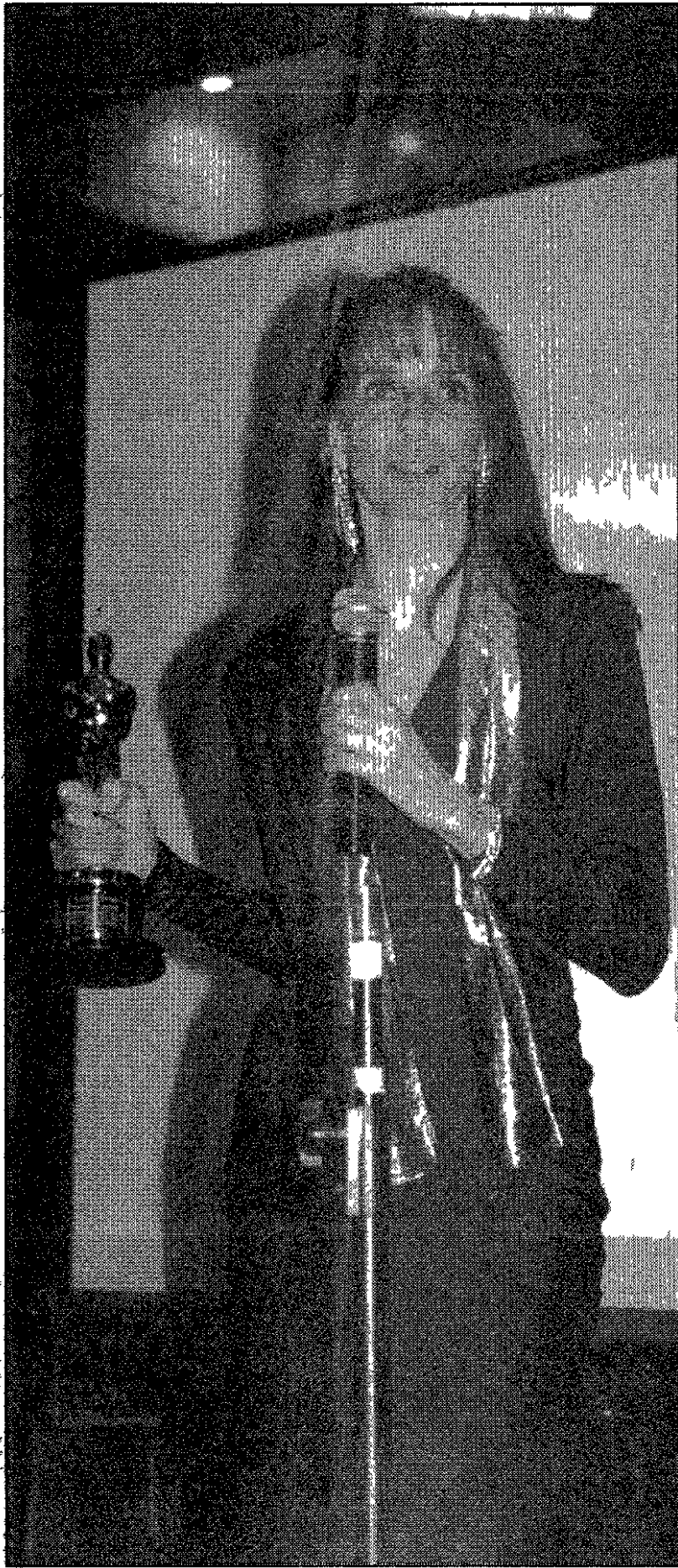
The evening was punctuated by an appearance from Plymouth's own Oscar winner, Pamela Conn. Conn won an Academy Award for her 1987 short documentary, *Young At Heart*, which featured the par-

ents of her co-producer, Sue Marx, and demonstrated that romance never dies.

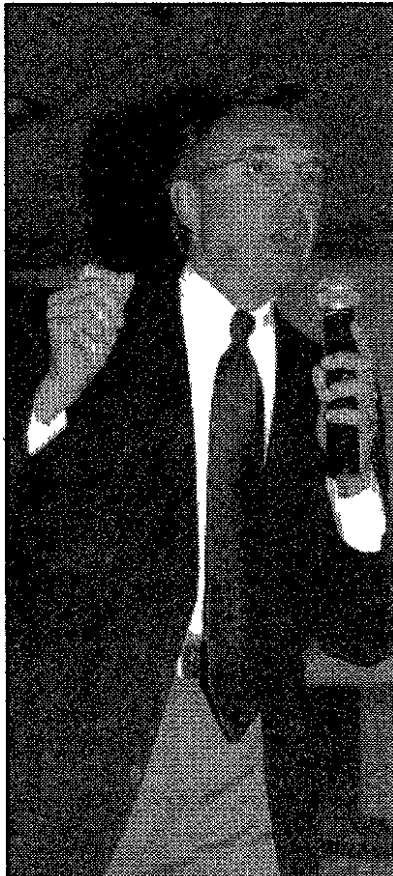
Since 1984 Conn has produced and directed films which have won awards in major film competitions and festivals. She is an author, composer and playwright with major projects in development.

Since she calls Plymouth home, Conn was ecstatic to be part of the evening's events.

"I had a marvelous time. I had some friends who came, and were just delighted with the evening," she said. "It was very entertaining. This was only my second time seeing the symphony, and it won't be my last. They really are very good."



PHOTOS BY LISA FEDOR
Award winner: Academy Award-winning filmmaker Pamela Conn was one of the featured guests at Friday's Plymouth Symphony Orchestra concert.



Auction action: Fred Hill of Briefcase Drill Team fame was the auctioneer for the event.



Strings attached: Violinists Marion Gross, left, and Veronica Healy focus on their craft during the annual POPS concert to benefit the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Friday at Laurel Manor. The symphony played an array of music from Academy Award-winning films.

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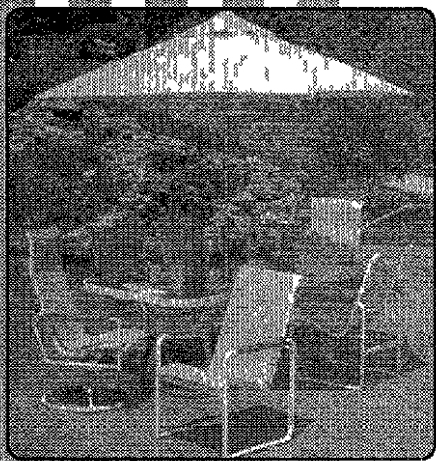
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change in the funding formula, to do it”
 Slavens was quick to point out that despite his passion for improving school funding, he is not a one-issue candidate
 “The way we treat our senior citizens in nursing homes is deplorable,” he said “I want to protect our seniors by setting higher standards in nursing homes hire more inspectors and have more random inspections,” he said “These are the people who have helped shape this nation, and it’s about time we give them the respect they deserve”
 Slavens said the state’s environment is high on his priority list, noting natural resources need to be protected, state parks

should not be sold, and Great Lakes water should not be siphoned to other states
 Meanwhile, last Saturday, the 13th District Republican Committee gave its endorsement to Scott, who has yet to declare his candidacy Scott said he will step forward after he resigns from Habitat for Humanity, which he said will be by the end of this month
 LaJoy, a Canton Township trustee for 13 years, stresses his background as a business owner, community activist and elected official as his qualifications for the State House Among his priorities, if elected, are the economy, unemployment, education, roads, health care and natural resources



Mark Slavens

Commissioners put up cash to help pay for skateboard park

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It’s not often politicians put their money where their mouths are
 And, it’s even more obscure when a 13-year-old is the one who makes them do it
 Three Plymouth city commissioners — Ron Loiselle, Colleen Pobur and Phil Pursell — announced at Monday’s meeting they each would donate \$500 toward the purchase of a portable skate park for city youth
 West Middle School student Tyler Simescu of Plymouth came up with the idea of a skateboard park, and presented the plan late last year to City Manager Paul Sincok
 “He said we needed more opportunities for youth to participate in skateboarding,” said Sincok He brought in a Power Point presentation, and we came up with the concept of a portable skate park”
 Sincok presented the idea to

Northville recreation officials, who agreed to share in the cost of the project The two communities received a \$5,000 grant from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association and the Michigan Department of Community Health as part of its “Get Michigan Youth Moving” program
 The remaining \$17,000 cost of the equipment and trailer will be split between the two recreation departments While Northville has come up with its share, the city still has grant applications pending to fund its portion
 The Plymouth Garden Club donated \$500 toward the city’s share Monday night And, while talking of turning to businesses, service clubs and individuals for tax-deductible contributions, the three commissioners added to the financial pot
 “Tyler’s creativity in coming up with a Power Point presentation, and his salesmanship I want to honor that in some fashion and match the Garden Club,” said Pobur
 “It’s great we’re reaching out

for these kinds of opportunities available for young people in our community, to give them something constructive to do during the summer,” added Commissioner Stella Greene
 Commissioners voted to authorize the remaining money from city coffers until grants and donations come in, so the skate park can be ready for this summer
 Tyler said he and his friends will be anxiously waiting for place to skate board
 “(My friends) want it quite bit because \$75 tickets (for skateboarding downtown) are too pleasant,” he said “From what I hear, it’s \$130 for bike (downtown)”
 “We’re very proud of him,” said his mother, Dorothy Simescu “He researched it, got his act together, and gave a nice presentation It taught him a lot about how government works”
 Sounds like Tyler is gearing up for a career in politics
 “I’m not quite sure,” he said “I might want to stay out of that”

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Parks and rec meeting

The Michigan Recreation and Parks Association board of directors meets at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 10 a.m. Friday, April 19.

Immediately following the board meeting, MRPA Executive Director Mike Maisner is scheduled to deliver a speech to the Rotary Club of Plymouth at their regular noon luncheon. Maisner is scheduled to discuss leisure service trends in Michigan and nationally. He is also expected to talk about upcoming statewide ballot issues as well as issues affecting the delivery of recreational services to local communities.

WalkAmerica arrives

Thousands of people are expected at Westland's Nankin Mills Interpretive Center Saturday, April 27 for March of Dimes WalkAmerica.

Proceeds raised by WalkAmerica help the March of Dimes fund programs of research, community service, advocacy and education. Celebrities on hand will include Wayne County Executive Ed McNamara, WJR's Steve Courtney and Allyson of WDVD 96.3 FM.

The event will also feature an appearance by the Plymouth Fife and Drum Corps.

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Big benefit: The latest benefactor for the Sagar memorial wall at the new Plymouth High School is a local connection. Coca Cola and the Canton Meyer teamed to donate \$2,500 for the project to honor Sandra Sagar and others who overcame adversity. Pictured are, from left, Dennis Jones, the architect and artist of the wall, Jerry Trumpka of the Plymouth A.M. Rotary, Al Crosby of Coca Cola, Pat Fuller of Meyer, and Mike Mackiewicz of Coca Cola.

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Township cops arrest man for purse theft

BY BRAD KADRICH
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A 24-year-old Canton man was arraigned in 35th District Court recently on charges of unarmed robbery stemming from a purse snatching at a Plymouth hotel.

Robert Lee Boone of Canton is being held in the Wayne County Jail on a \$50,000 cash bond.

Boone also faces possible charges in Romulus based on information obtained during the investigation into purse thefts in that city.

According to Detective Kal Lauria of the Plymouth Township Police Department, Boone is suspected in the theft of a purse at the Hilton Garden Inn on Sheldon in Plymouth Township. According to police reports, the woman arrived at the hotel, retrieved her handbag from the trunk and was waiting for an elevator inside the building. As the elevator arrived, the woman

was shoved into the elevator from behind. She turned to see a suspect she described as a black male wearing a knit cap and dark clothing. Security workers at the hotel saw the suspect leave the scene and climb into a cream-colored Lincoln.

The preliminary investigation — conducted by Sgt. Jeff Felts and Officers Marc Hoffman, Brian Schaefer, Scott Linton and Mike Lego — led to a search warrant for Boone's Canton Township home. Based on evidence collected, Lauria said, Boone was taken into custody. Lauria's subsequent investigation led him to three other victims robbed in Romulus. Romulus police were in the process of procuring three additional arrest warrants at press time.

"Through conversation with (Boone) it was discovered he was committing these crimes to pay for a gambling habit," Lauria said.

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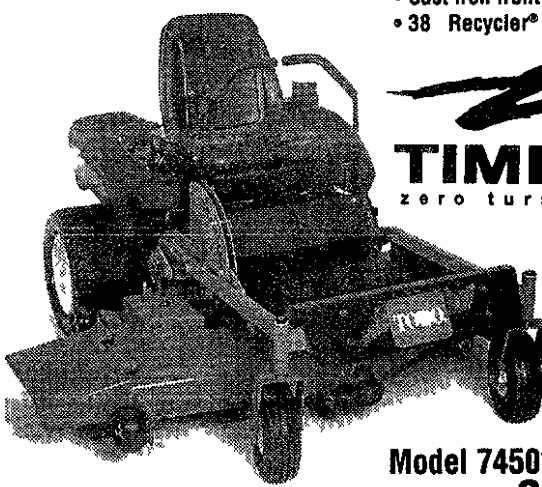
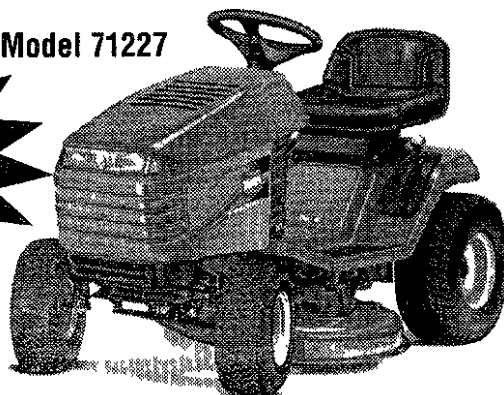
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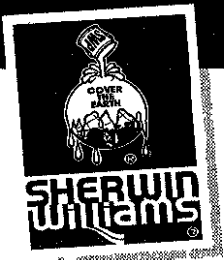
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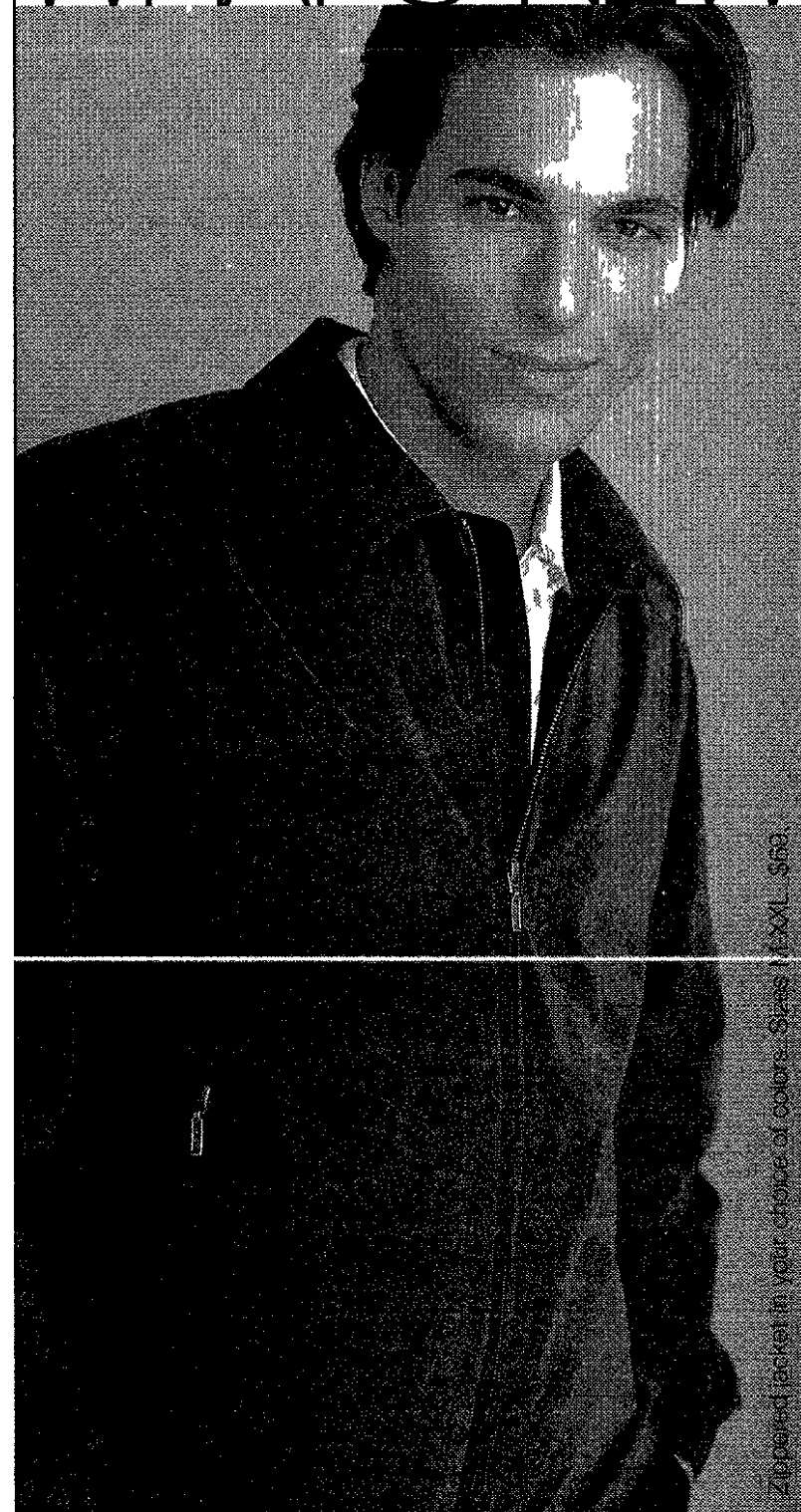
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City hires another cop, increases force to 17

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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For the first time since the mid-1980s, the Plymouth police department has boosted its force to 17 officers.

Brian Walker, 33, of Warren was sworn in as the city's newest recruit Tuesday morning, taking the oath from Clerk Linda Langmesser.

Before coming to Plymouth, Walker was a Pleasant Ridge police officer the past eight months.

"I have family living here, and it's a terrific place to continue my career," said Walker, who earned his associates degree from Macomb Community College. "I liked the idea of a smaller department because it's more like family, you're not just a number. I like the concept of community policing, working with people and answering their questions and concerns."

Chief Wayne Carroll said part of Walker's salary will be paid for by the federal Community Operation Policing Services, or COPS, grant during the next

four years. It will allow Carroll to begin putting liaison officers at the schools within the city limits.

"Ever since Columbine, there's been more emphasis on schools and we're improving our commitment to the schools," Carroll said. "A lot of juvenile crime can be identified through the schools. Behavioral modification can come about through police officer interaction and role modeling."

"We'll be involved in the TEAM program which will allow us to go into different grades with different messages," added Carroll. "For example, there are safety issues with the increased number of guns in the home, and with dual income families there are more latch-key kids."

Carroll said the TEAM concept which will allow officers to meet with children at all grade levels is much different than the DARE program, a fifth grade program designed to teach kids to stay away from drugs and tobacco. Carroll said he expects the TEAM program to be present in the schools during the next school year.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL
On duty: Brian Walker, Plymouth's newest police officer, takes the oath from city clerk Linda Langmesser. The addition of Walker brings the city's police force up to 17 officers.

Botsford Hospital offers free thermometers

Botsford General Hospital is exchanging mercury thermometers for safer digital thermometers. With a mission to serve its communities' health needs, Botsford offers the thermometer

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information on the dangers of mercury.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, people should stop using

mercury thermometers. Mercury is a toxic substance that can harm both humans and wildlife. Significant exposure, whether brief or extended, can produce major effects on the central nervous system, kidneys, skin and lungs. Botsford sites offering the thermometer exchange are:

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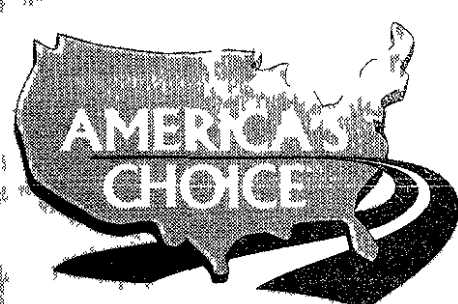
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THELMA D. BERLIN

Services for Thelma Berlin, 88, of Ann Arbor (formerly of Ypsilanti) were held April 13 at Faith Lutheran Church in Ypsilanti. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs Berlin was born June 24, 1913 in Huntington, Ind and died April 9 in Superior Township. She worked for the Willow Run bomber plant during World War II, and retired from Concordia College food service in 1974. She was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Ypsilanti.

Mrs Berlin was preceded in death by her husband, Harold R Berlin, brothers, Wavel, John, Kenneth, Pete, Robert, Ted and Floyd Snyder, and one sister, Lucille Graham.

Survivors include sons, Harold Dean (Phyllis) Berlin of Ypsilanti, Edwin L (Linda) Berlin of Canton, and Ron (Gail) Berlin of Dallas, Texas, daughters, Bonnie M (Jerry) Townsley of Ypsilanti, and Linda E (James) Baker of Frankenmuth, 13 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandson, brothers, Bud Snyder of St Johns, and Donald E Snyder of Farwell, sister, Pauline Smith of Winter Haven, Fla., and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements made by Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial Chapel, Ypsilanti.

STANLEY A. SZOTT

Services for Stanley Szott, 84, of Plymouth were held April 15 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Timothy J. Szott officiating.

Mr Szott was born Nov. 13, 1917 in Detroit and died April 12 in Southfield. He was a job setter/die setter at Ford Motor Company. He retired in 1983 after just short of 50 years of service. He came to the Plymouth community from Livonia. He lived in Livonia from 1972 to 2001. He was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II in Calif. and the Aleutian Islands. He loved woodworking.

Survivors include daughter, Marianne (Robert) Wiecezorek of Plymouth, sons Rev. Timothy J. Szott of Utica and Michael J. (Martha) Szott of Troy, grandchildren Amy (Clint) Soldan of Troy, Emily Wiecezorek of Ply-

mouth, Mark Szott of Troy, and Jennifer Szott of Troy, and sister, Helen Ronewicz of Westland.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Kenneth Catholic Church or Mass cards.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

MILDRED M. SCHILL

Services for Mildred Schill, 90, of Westland were held April 18 at St. Matthew Lutheran Church with burial at Glen Eden Memorial Park in Livonia.

Mrs Schill was born Feb. 22, 1912 in Detroit and died April 14 in Superior Township. She worked as a clerk in the government field.

Survivors include daughter, Arlene (Joseph) McGarry, daughter, Kathy (Ron) Livingston, nine grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the hospice of your choice or your favorite charity.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

RICHARD R. RINKE, JR.

Services for Richard Rinke, 76, of Canton were held April 17 at the Chapel of Flowers at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Mr Rinke was born June 3, 1925 in Detroit and died April 15 in Canton. He worked as a graphic artist for the Detroit Newspaper.

Survivors include wife, Sylvia, son, Richard R. (Marsha) Rinke III, and two grandchildren, Karl and Philip.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home.

GEORGE WITKOWSKI

A Memorial Mass for George Witkowski, 80, of Traverse City, will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth on April 19.

Mr Witkowski was born Aug. 30, 1921 in Detroit and died April 14 in Traverse City. Formerly of Plymouth, he had been a resident of Traverse City since 1989. He graduated from Wayne County Community College and served in the U.S. Navy as a medical corpsman. He owned and operated the Plymouth Dental Lab from 1946-1962. During this time, he also was an elected supervisor on the Wane County Board of Supervisors. Later he went on to be a cottage supervisor at the Wayne County Child

Development Center, where he worked with developmentally disabled children. George was a lifelong member of the Knights of Columbus, a former parishoner of Our Lady of Good Counsel of Plymouth, and was a parishoner of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Traverse City. He enjoyed woodworking, gardening, and dancing with his dear wife, Helen.

Mr Witkowski was preceded in death by his wife, Helen, brothers, Mitchell, Alfred "Hank", Edward, and Casimer.

Survivors include son, George Witkowski II of Traverse City, daughter-in-law, Roxanne Vanderveer of Traverse City, sister, Delores (Harold) Michael of Livonia and Virginia Peters of South Lyon, several nieces and nephews, and numerous close friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the George Witkowski Memorial Fund in care of his son, George II.

Arrangements made by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home in Traverse City.

ELEANOR JANE ANDREWS

Services for Eleanor Andrews, 85, of Livonia, were held April 18 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Lewis Towler, the Rev. Dana Runestad, the Rev. Robert Miller, and the Rev. Richard Iwick officiating. Burial was at Parkview Cemetery in Livonia.

Ms Andrews was born Feb. 4, 1917 in Detroit and died April 15 in Livonia. She was a retired secretary for Barnes-Gibson-Raymond in Plymouth. She came to the Livonia community in 1954 from Detroit. She was a long-time member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth. She was a loving aunt and friend. She was a member of the Altar Guild at St. John's. She also was president of St. John's League. She was extremely dedicated to her church.

Survivors include nephew, Dennis (Sharon) Baldwin of Clare, niece, Julia (David) Katke of Kansas City, Kan., and brother-in-law, Jerry (Livia) Baldwin of Texas.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. John's Episcopal Church or the Salvation Army. Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.



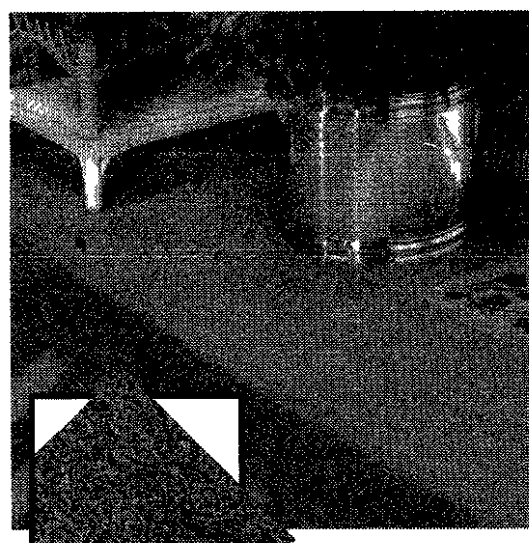
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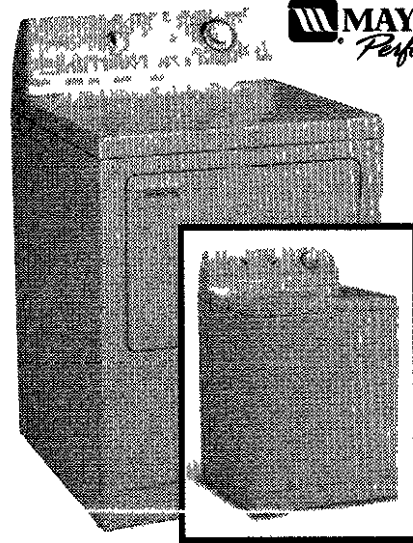
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Pressure mounting for action on trash imports

By MIKE MALOTT
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The U.S.-Canada treaty allowing for the importation of municipal trash into Michigan has not been followed since it was signed in 1986, a recent memorandum by the Congressional Research Service concluded.

And Michigan lawmakers are upset about it.

The treaty required notification of shipments of waste and allowed the Environmental Protection Agency 30 days to object.

"The two governments have not implemented the notice and con-

sent provisions of bilateral agreement for purposes of municipal solid waste shipments. Consequently, EPA has not received any notices for such shipments," the memo concludes.

Further, the U.S. has not objected to any shipments since 1992, nor has the EPA protested the lack of notification, the memo states.

"If we are not complying with the terms of the agreement, it is time to get rid of the treaty altogether," said Rep. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester).

"It is most disturbing to think that the protections provided in

the agreement between our nations are not working," Rep. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) said. "The people of this state have every right to know that all prudent measures are being enforced to protect our citizens and environment."

Bishop and Rep. Mike Kowall (R-White Lake) have introduced several bills in Lansing they say will bring regulation of international shipments in line with those regulations already placed on local haulers. They're also proposing increased inspections of trash shipments at the border.

In Washington, U.S. Reps. Mike

Rogers (R-Howell) and Joe Knollenberg (R-Bloomfield Hills) are pushing legislation that would allow states to restrict or ban international shipments of trash.

Bruce Parker, president of the Washington D.C. based National Solid Wastes Management Association, sees all that as an attack on free trade.

"The courts concluded trash is an article of commerce," he said. "They did distinguish between good articles of commerce and bad articles of commerce."

Parker's trade association represents 400 waste hauling and collection companies nationwide.

"The state of Alabama recently spent \$700 million to attract auto plants to that state," Parker continued. "What would happen if the state of Alabama decided to prohibit cars from crossing the border into the state in order to boost sales for its own auto plants?"

Parker noted that while Michigan accepts municipal trash from Toronto for disposal in landfills here, the state also sends out 55,000 tons of "hazardous waste" to Canada each year. Restrictions on the importation of waste to Michigan might result in Canada "retaliating" by blocking those shipments to its disposal facilities.

More comes into Michigan than goes out. Imports of trash to Michigan landfills, from eight other states and Canada are estimated at 3.116 million tons in 2001.

Canada is a specific concern because lawmakers estimate trash constitutes 17 percent of garbage going into state landfills, up from 11 percent just two years ago.

According to Kowall, the Tompkins city council has recently affirmed its decision to send all municipal waste to Michigan in the future, declining to expand its own landfills.

That could add 750,000 tons of garbage per year.

"Their main concern was about possible poisoning of groundwater," Kowall said. "I think we need to give them a geography lesson. All of the lakes surrounding Michigan flow into Lake Ontario. It gets right back to them eventually, it just takes a little longer."

Along with regulations intended to match those put on local Michigan haulers, Kowall wants legislation calling for inspections of all shipments.

"Terrorism is a paramount concern," he said. "If I wanted to smuggle something into the country, what better place than inside a bunch of smelly, nasty dirty diapers. They say it is compacted trash, but still people could put anything in there — weapons, bacterial agents, anything."

Chris Close, communications director for Knollenberg, said the congressman believes states should be able to determine whether to take international shipments of trash "because the people at the local level are in the best position to decide whether it is appropriate."

He said he believes the proposal pending in Washington would pass constitutional muster with the courts. Judges tossed out a Michigan law allowing counties to block shipment across their borders, but that "kicked it back to congress" for a decision, Close said.

Why should trash be treated differently than other items of cross-border commerce and free trade?

"I suppose it is because trash is viewed negatively," he said. "That's about all I can say about that."



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Farmington man's book offers tips to 'power up' job searches

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Everyone wants to get the magic job offer, ace the interview, find a million dollars worth of free advice and choose a job instead of letting it choose you.

A local man has some concrete advice about how to make those dreams come true. J.T. (Tom) Buck, a Farmington resident, co-wrote the 1997 book "101 Ways to Power Up Your Job Search" with William R. Matthews and Robert N. Leech, published by McGraw-Hill and available in local bookstores.

Buck works for Infinite Learning in Birmingham which organizes internal leadership academies for companies. In tough economic times, that includes helping people look at what the future holds.

"Normally, we offer several days of training every year," Buck said. "We do a lot of workshops to help people think through their next career move."

McGraw-Hill found out about the workshops and the 15 or 20 different exercises used during those sessions and encouraged the authors to come up with

more exercises for the book. It took almost a year to complete 101.

"We tried to make it fun and not too complicated," Buck said. "It comes at things from a lot of different angles."

People don't prepare themselves well enough for the right job, he added.

"The book looks at strengths and what people like to do," Buck said. "We said, 'Let's start by figuring yourself out.' People get so focused about winning a job that they don't focus on the job for them, a job they can be satisfied with for a long period of time. We want people to think about the type of company they are going to work for."

For instance, why not consider the financial condition of the company?

Buck suggests doing research at the library and looking at annual reports. "The information available today is incredible."

Informational interviews, which give an employer the chance to share perceptions and insights about the company, are invaluable, and job seekers should use their own personal networks.

"You either know somebody or know somebody who knows somebody," Buck said. "It's a warm call rather than a cold call. Find the hooks."

"Most people take that kind of request as a compliment," he said of the informational interview. "It's putting people on your team."

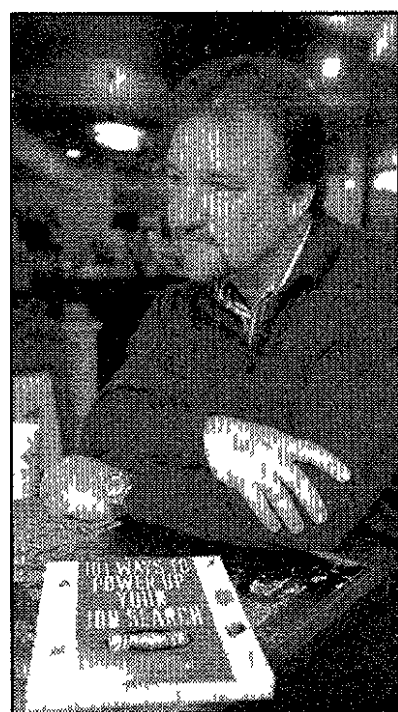
Talking to a couple of people in the company will also provide insights that can be shared during a job interview. An applicant can show more enthusiasm about working for the company and talk about specific things he or she likes about it.

Some of Buck's workshops show actual job interviews. He suggests people videotape themselves.

"Find a friend to do the interview," he said. "Exercises can be pulled from the book. Play the tape back. Did you make good eye contact, speak clearly, maintain good eye contact, answer questions directly?"

People get caught up with resumes, he said, "But are they really ready to perform during the job interview?"

Buck and his wife Karen have two sons, Andrew, who is work-



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J.T. (Tom) Buck

ing and attending Oakland Community College, and Jonathan, a Farmington High School sophomore. He also owns part of the Cook building, located on Grand River in downtown Farmington.

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Grads stage production to benefit scholarship fund

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Three Plymouth-Canton Schools graduates are coming back to the Gloria Logan Auditorium at Salem High School to help raise scholarship money for future thespians.

Phil Boileau and Randy Pistor, both from Canton and currently attending the University of Michigan, along with Kevin O'Callaghan of Plymouth, who attends Eastern Michigan University, will be performing in a three-man play entitled *The Compleat Works of Wilm Shkspr (abridged)* to raise money for the Gloria Logan Scholarship for the Performing Arts.

"Last year, scholarships were given out for the first time," said Boileau, a theater major at U-M and one of the three members of the Boipistohan Shakespeare Company. "We want to make sure there is enough money in the scholarship fund to continue it for deserving students."

"Performing arts gets overlooked

for many reasons, and we want to show our support for the kids, and tell them to follow their dreams," said Boileau. All three returning graduates were students of Logan, who retired two years ago.

The play is a lampooning of Shakespeare, which is intended to make his plays more accessible to modern audiences.

"It's a humorous look at Shakespeare and all of his plays, like *Romeo and Juliet* and *Hamlet*," Boileau said. "It's a very funny show."

The trio practiced Tuesday, after lifting and squeezing a Geo Metro through a stage door for the performance.

"We're fans of comedy, and like to make people laugh," Boileau said. "I guess we're just hams."

The trio will perform for students Friday. The public performance is Saturday, April 30, at 8 p.m. at Salem High School. Tickets are \$3 at the door, with all the proceeds going to the Gloria Logan Scholarship for the Performing Arts.

Last charter review brought some change

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The charter review committee of 1991 recommended three changes in the city charter, which were approved by the city commission and eventually put to residents for a vote.

The issues, presented on the November 1993 general election ballot, included:

- Increasing the remuneration of city commissioners from \$10

to \$50 per meeting, while increasing the mayor's stipend to \$60. The proposal failed 2,996-1,287.

- Requiring the city manager to adopt the budget for the next fiscal year no later than the second regular meeting in the month of June. The charter alteration was approved 3,194-985.

- Eliminating residency requirements for all department

heads. The residency requirement for the city manager, city commission and members of the boards would be retained. The charter amendment was rejected 2,604-1,654.

In later years, the city compensation commission increased commissioner's pay to \$40 per meeting. And, state lawmakers eventually overturned residency requirements for municipal employees.

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New police chief makes force resident-friendly

Plymouth Township's elected officials have been trying for the last several months to make the government more resident-friendly

That effort is now stretching into the Plymouth Township Police Department, where new chief Tom Tiderrington, on the job less than six months, has already instituted a couple of new programs designed to bring the department to the residents

First up was what could have been a risky project drug testing kits parents can use to test their children for drug use. The tests are free to parents who suspect such use, with practically no questions asked

Parents take the samples from their children and send it directly to a lab for testing. The results are then mailed back to the parents, with no police involvement, no matter the result

The program could have drawn howls from civil rights activists — and still might — but Tiderrington isn't concerned. He's got children of his own, and he thinks any potential invasion of privacy could also be construed as concerned parenting

So far, residents appear to agree with him. Nearly three dozen of the kits have been picked up

His most recent program is his most

industrious thus far. A citizens' police academy. More than two dozen "students" are taking weekly classes on the various facets of police work, from the department's history to weapons simulation to K-9 training

At the end of the nine-week course, students will presumably have a better understanding of how their police department works, and law enforcement officials will have a slate of ideas about what residents expect from them

Tiderrington is getting a healthy dose of help from others in the department — Lt. Robert Smith and Community Resource Officer Jamie Senkbeil, who has taken the lead on the academy

Tiderrington spent some 22 years on the Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., Police Department, working drug undercover operations, then managing a force much larger than Plymouth's. It would have been easy to come up here with big-city ideas, trying to turn the new job into the old job

Tiderrington doesn't seem, at least initially, to be trying to do that. He seems sincerely interested in providing a police department that caters to its residents' needs

If the response to his citizens' academy is any indication, the residents appreciate it

Commissioners put money where mouths, hearts are

All too often, we point at politicians and say, "They're doing such-and-such for political gain"

For instance, when newly elected state Rep. John Stewart announced he was giving his raise to, among others, the Plymouth Historical Society, he was criticized in some circles because his wife, Beth, is the director

At the Plymouth City Commission meeting Monday, three commissioners took a similar action. Colleen Pobur, Ron Loiselle and Phil Pursell agreed to donate \$500 apiece to help bring a portable skate park to the city

And it's not even an election year

The city is on the hook for about \$8,500 of the \$22,000 cost of the portable park and its trailer. They're partnering with the Northville Community Recreation Department. The first \$5,000 of the cost is being paid out of a grant

Pobur and Loiselle spoke up, offering to put \$500 of their own money behind the project. Pursell followed suit

In a community where commissioners draw fire for political decisions, it was a valiant example of putting their money where their mouth is

Libraries shine through when times get tough

It's really no surprise when you think about it. As the economy dips, library use rises

A study released Monday by the American Library Association shows the correlation between the current economic downturn and library circulation. The ALA-commissioned study — released in conjunction with this year's celebration of National Library Week April 14-20 — confirmed observations most local librarians have experienced first-hand

The study was conducted by the University of Illinois Library Research Center and looked at library use over the last five years at the 25 U.S. libraries serving populations of a million or more. It found that circulation has increased significantly since March 2001, the beginning of the current recession according to the National Bureau of Economic Research. The trend spiked after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks

Although the study didn't track smaller libraries, local library directors can point to similar numbers. The Canton Public Library, for example, will experience more than one million items passing through its check-out desk this year for the first time

The reasons libraries flourish in tough times are simple. "Libraries are America's great information equalizers — the only place people of all ages and backgrounds can find and freely use such a diversity of resources, along with the expert guidance of librarians," said ALA President John W. Berry. Whether it's researching employment opportunities on-line or borrowing brand new books that can cost a small fortune, libraries serve as a comfortable and trusted port for individuals and the community weathering the economic storm

A second ALA-commissioned study shows just how all-encompassing library use is in most communities. Among its

findings, the survey reported

■ Sixty-two percent of adult Americans say they have a library card. (The figure for parents is 73 percent)

■ On average, users visit the library 13 times a year. Of adults visiting libraries, those age 25-34 visit the most often — 24 times per year

■ The library is used most often for educational purposes (46 percent) followed by entertainment (41 percent)

Of course, public libraries and the economy have been connected since the beginning. The library as we know it today got its start when 19th century industrialist Andrew Carnegie set up endowments for a number of libraries providing municipalities and their taxpayers share the load. The wave of library building that began in major cities eventually spread to the suburbs after World War II

In some ways, the library has replaced the town square in our communities. Its bookshelves, periodical racks and computer stations are filled with information and ideas. Its meeting rooms are booked for events ranging from local crafters to political groups representing the entire spectrum

This year's Library Week theme is "© your library," a continuation of the idea the ALA has been pushing since 1997 that public libraries have expanded far beyond their book collections. (Which, by the way, those of us still in the printing business figure are reason enough to make the trip)

For residents who make the library a regular part of their routine, we say "Bravo" for not letting a treasured public asset go unused. For anyone who hasn't visited in a while, we say stop in and see what you're missing. It's worth the trip



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LETTERS

■ Myopic attack

On the issue of the Salvation Army, it's really difficult to even begin to try and picture one of the many volunteers who collect money at Christmas time

This is because we all want to forget about the cold weather as spring and summer approach. But, we need to remember one very important fact concerning the Salvation Army and how they wrongfully came under attack by local Gay and Lesbian activists groups this past Christmas

As you may recall, Gay rights groups, many here in Michigan to include the PFLAG group, engaged in an attack campaign against the Salvation Army. These groups solicited support from society who are mostly heterosexual to boycott giving any donations to the Salvation Army as "punishment" for their policy change regarding health benefits for same sex partners. PFLAG and other local activist groups even went as far as to disseminate phony five dollar bills for people to place in donation kettles. These fake bills were meant to harass the Salvation Army while at the same time, drying up the contributions that the Salvation Army receives from donors

Well, as the snow melts and the Christmas season makes way for Easter and eventually summer, people forget these things. However, the truth always comes out in the end as demonstrated with 2001 holiday fund-raising figures recently released by the Salvation Army and published in World Magazine

According to these figures, the Salvation Army received about \$373 million in total Christmas contributions, including \$91 million donors dropped into the group's famous red kettles. That eclipsed the previous year's total by more than \$11 million, and 1999 donations by more than \$30 million

So while the snow has melted, and the kettles have gone into storage, the facts are laid bare. PFLAG's hateful attempts to financially sabotage the Salvation Army withered and failed and probably created a serious public relations problem

Perhaps PFLAG and its sister organizations should realize that whether or not you are gay or straight, when you are hungry or cold and have no place to stay, the Salvation Army with the help of funds collected by a majority of married and single heterosexuals will feed, clothe and shelter you

Society is very fortunate that the Salvation Army exists, and that it isn't as myopic and cold-hearted as PFLAG and their counterparts

Frank Finch
Canton

■ Walking for a cause

I am writing to tell you of a personal challenge I have taken on. It's a challenge of physical endurance — a challenge of making a difference in the Canton community and of being thankful for the blessings I have received during my lifetime

In August, I will be traveling to Anchorage, Alaska to participate in a marathon. However, this will be no ordinary trip. I will be walking for the Arthritis Foundation as a member of the "Joints in Motion" training team. Our team of volunteers will be joining Arthritis Foundation teams from across the country to support arthritis research and community-based education programs for men, women and children affected by arthritis. My goal

is to raise \$5,000 in order to participate in this tremendous event and to finish my very first marathon at age 50!

The facts about arthritis are alarming — nearly 43 million Americans currently suffer from arthritis — that's one out of every six people. New projections predict arthritis to be the epidemic of the future. By the year 2020, the number of people with arthritis will almost double, affecting major life activities, such as working, going to school, enjoying leisure activities, or keeping house. Arthritis research can make a difference. The Arthritis Foundation devotes more than \$11 million annually to research (90 cents of every dollar) that is leading the way to more successful treatments. The Arthritis Foundation also makes a difference in the lives of those affected by arthritis by providing programs that help people with arthritis and their families better understand and cope with their disease

Supporting the Arthritis Foundation by participating in this Marathon is a very serious and important challenge that I am committed to. I hope you will help me in my quest to raise \$5,000 by making a tax-deductible donation to the Arthritis Foundation. A great way to increase community awareness of your commitment is through Corporate Sponsorship. Your support of the Arthritis Foundation will be rewarded. All checks are greatly appreciated and should be made payable to the Arthritis Foundation and mailed to me at 6970 Bunker Hill, Canton, MI 48187

Thank you in advance for your help. If you would like to learn more about the Joints in Motion marathon program, please contact the Arthritis Foundation

Denise Fedarko
Canton

■ Ban cloning

I am deeply concerned with the issue of human cloning. I feel it is dangerous and unethical to develop human beings whose sole purpose is to do research on. People are not livestock, only to have needless medical experiments done on them

I've found based on the cloning method called "somatic cell nuclear transfer," scientists foresee two possible outcomes for human cloning: the creation of human embryos for implantation in a womb with the goal of live birth, which is referred to as "reproductive" cloning, and the creation of human embryos for destructive embryonic stem cell research, which is called "therapeutic" cloning

In reality, all cloning is "reproductive" as it creates new human life. More accurate terms for these two types of human cloning would be "live-birth cloning" (with the goal of live birth) and "stem cell" cloning (with the goal of embryonic stem cell research)

There is nearly universal agreement to ban live-birth cloning. The debate centers on stem cell cloning. Stem cell cloning uses the patient's genetic material to create human embryos for the sole purpose of destroying them for their stem cells. Stem cell cloning is an unnecessary and unproven venture. Embryonic stem cells have never successfully treated one patient

On the contrary, adult stem cells are used in successful therapies every day. Adult stem cells are the subject of promising clinical trials right now, something that cannot be said of embryonic research. More information on the successes of Adult Stem Cell

research can be found at <http://www.family.org/cforum/research/papers/a0020288.html>

We were all embryos at one time. Embryos are living human beings and must be protected. I am asking you to please call our U.S. Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, and ask them to support The Human Cloning Prohibition Act, S. 1899, sponsored by Sens. Sam Brownback and Mary Landrau. This bill bans both live-birth and Embryonic stem cell cloning. It also allows for the more successful Adult Stem Cell research

Robert McNally
Westland

■ Not free speech

David Horowitz's recent appearance at the University of Michigan was received much like the visits of most Republicans and conservatives. For some 40 years, the civility and right of free speech has been awarded only to the liberal mentality

Attend Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth, Stanford, or the school in Ann Arbor and expect to be smothered with the leftist view of anything and everything liberal and socialist. Few graduates from the institution in Ann Arbor know very much about our heritage and culture, about the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. A recent poll of Yale and Harvard professors exposed an admitted ratio of more than 10-to-1, the preference for government planning and a group vote for Democrats in the last presidential election

I did have an occasion to attend a graduation ceremony at the University of Michigan some years ago, and many members in the audience, mostly students, were not only not attentive, but hooted, catcalled, and exhibited raucous behavior. The graduation exercise was a disgrace

Most of the graduation exercises I had attended during 46 years in the classroom were solemnly and respectfully observed

The disgraceful behavior exhibited at the University of Michigan graduation showing total disrespect for the mentors, administration personalities and guests, was one of a kind

It isn't "Go Blue" anymore for some of us. Michigan was once truly a leader in academics, accomplishing the highest of goals, and graduating the best of citizens, prepared for the world of work and ready to contribute to the good of mankind

Neil Goodbred
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OTHER OPINIONS

Thursday, April 18, 2002

Denver serves as example for area cultural support

My older son, Scott, is a second year resident in internal medicine in Denver. Kathy and I went to visit him about a month ago. We came away much impressed with the vibrant arts and cultural scene in the Mile High City.

Although the Denver Art Museum does not have half the collection of the Detroit Institute of Arts, it was absolutely filled with school kids and teachers and with senior citizens. The zoo is similarly well attended, as is the well regarded Natural History Museum.

Upon checking around, I discovered that the real reason the Denver area is doing so well for all its citizens is — dreaded idea! — regional cooperation. The six counties in the Denver area have banded together to fund their arts and cultural institutions with the proceeds from a sales tax. A little over half of the money goes to the Big Four institutions, but a bunch goes back to local arts and cultural groups in the participating counties.

It's a lot like the plan sponsored by the Southeast Michigan Cultural Coalition that would ask voters in Oakland and Wayne counties to consider a 0.5 property tax millage to raise around \$45 million a year. Two thirds of the money would go to 17 regional arts institutions — including the DIA, Detroit Zoo, Cranbrook Art Museum, Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, the Holocaust Memorial Center and Meadowbrook Hall — with the remainder going to local arts institutions. For a home with a taxable value of \$150,000, the increased tax amounts of \$37.50 per year.

A similar plan was narrowly defeated two years ago in November.

Sponsors of the plan initially hoped to get it on the August primary ballot for lots of good reasons. There's less clutter and cheaper TV advertising rates than in November, and the lively gubernatorial primary race is supposed to attract a big Democratic and female voter turnout — both groups are presumed to be more pro-culture than Republicans and males.

But last week the Oakland County General Government Committee voted to table the issue until its June 3 meeting, reasoning that adding arts and culture to the August primary ballot might jeopardize votes on other vital local services. To their credit, Oakland County officials are

meeting promptly after the May 28 cutoff date to put an item on the August primary ballot.

At their June meeting, they should vote definitively to put the initiative to a November vote, if only to give the proponents (and opponents, for that matter) time to raise money and educate the public about the pros and cons of the idea.

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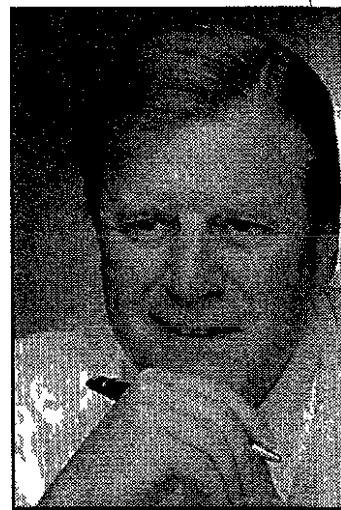
In my own view, this is one of those sensible measures that merits support, if only because the survival of our precious cultural institutions has over the years been threatened by withdrawal of state support from Lansing. After all, places like the DIA and the Zoo contribute enormously to the quality of life in this region. They help local businesses attract highly educated workers and they contribute to keeping skilled graduates in Michigan after they leave college.

Sure, any tax increase — \$37.50, more or less — is a hit to the budget. And certainly, some of the institutions that will benefit already charge admission. But the funds from this proposal will go to pay for price-discounted programs for kids, teachers, seniors. Without the additional support for arts institutions from the millage, families hoping to go to the Zoo for a Saturday outing, for example, will pay a lot more than they do now. And, for those of a parochial frame of mind, much of the money will go back to local arts and culture groups.

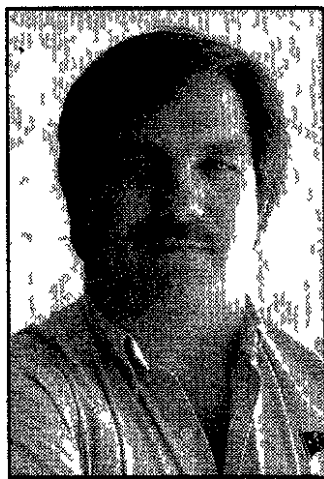
It's recently become fashionable to be tough minded about public expenditures to improve the quality of life for all. "Let the users pay for it" goes the beguiling line. Well, if the only people who are going to pay for the DIA or Henry Ford Museum are just the people who go there in any given year, over the years we're not likely to have a DIA or a Henry Ford Museum around for us to use.

At that point, the tough minded among us will no doubt be the first to ask loudly and crossly just who lost the DIA or Henry Ford Museum. I hope there will be people around who tell em to look in the mirror.

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Phil Power



Brad Kadrich

Township gets some work done, even with unusual pairings

The Plymouth Township board meeting droned along as usual — for awhile.

Then something unusual happened.

Unusual, at least, to the untrained eye. But to the few who regularly attend these meetings — whether it's because they're interested in what happens or because their managing editor thinks they should — the dynamic was a clear oddity.

The board of trustees was debating whether to spend more than \$250,000 on a sprayscape for the township park. The water-based children's entertainment — which would presumably provide a refreshing relief from summer heat for the kids playing in the park, or give them a chance to skate safely during the winter.

The vote went 4-3 in favor, and Supervisor Steve Mann and Treasurer Ron Edwards had their spray scape. But the interesting thing wasn't necessarily the vote, but the participants on each side of the debate.

Trustees Chuck Curmi and Abe Munfakh both voted against it, Curmi because it was too much money and Munfakh because he thought the project should be rebid. Anyone who watched these two during the 2000 campaign would have been stunned to see such "stop the presses" agreement on an issue.

On the other side were Edwards and trustee Ron Griffith, regular combatants on issues.

Now, lest anyone complain that we're picking on any of these folks, let us say this: such debate is a positive thing for the township. All four of these men make good points at nearly every meeting.

It's just odd to see them making them in harmony.

"Maybe they're developing their own identities," said one woman, whose name is being withheld because she didn't know I was going to quote her.

At the same meeting, a lady watched about 45 minutes worth of discussion on issues ranging from bills to the new Downtown Development Authority. She turned to me and said quietly, "Are you from the paper?"

After I confirmed it, she asked, "Is it always like this?"

"Certainly not," I told her, tongue firmly in cheek. "They're actually getting things done tonight."

I was kidding her, but it was true. The township board had one of its more productive meetings that night, getting its first official look at the tax increment financing plan for the DDA, agreeing to buy the sprayscape equipment, approving going out for bids to get its sewers cleaned and OKing a new lawn maintenance contract.

OK, so that last one barely registers on the government Richter scale, but still it was small-town democracy in action.

And it brought this note from Curmi, who appeared amused at the size of the lawn maintenance contract.

"This is what government has come to, I guess," said Curmi. "This is an eight-page contract to get our lawns mowed."

Personally, I'd have found a township teenager and given him \$50 and a new lawnmower.

State race

Expect the 20th District race between incumbent state Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township) and newcomer Jonathon Grant to heat up fairly quickly.

Grant has dogged Stewart's heels of late, showing up at public events and following his strategy of going "where Stewart has been, where he is and where he will be." It's an interesting strategy, and only time will tell if it will work.

Grant has picked up a couple of interesting endorsements, notably from Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham and Plymouth Township Trustee Ron Griffith, who will host a fund-raiser for Grant next Wednesday. (Unfortunately, I'm dancing at the Administrative Professionals luncheon that same afternoon, and I can only take so much excitement in one day.)

In the meantime, Grant's detractors have begun to campaign vigorously against him. Local attorney Carol Levitte has sent letters to Republican big-deal Betsy DeVos and 35th District Court magistrate Eric Colthurst, warning of the sexual content she says can be found on Grant's Web site, www.allplymouth.com.

In the same breath, she says he's against free speech because he edits the site, so it's difficult to know where she stands.

We understand why Levitte would write DeVos. Her reason for writing to Colthurst is a little cloudier, unless she was threatening to withhold her support of his candidacy for the third judgeship in the 35th District. Frankly, it probably didn't rattle him.

Of more interest to us, and perhaps more troublesome to Grant, is the voting record attached to the letter. Grant admits he has not voted in a public school election since moving to Plymouth in the early 1990s. Since he's making public education a big issue in his campaign, this could come back to haunt him.

In his defense, he's open about his voting record, and vows to correct it in the future. Whether voters decide that's simply a ploy to get elected could determine Grant's fate.

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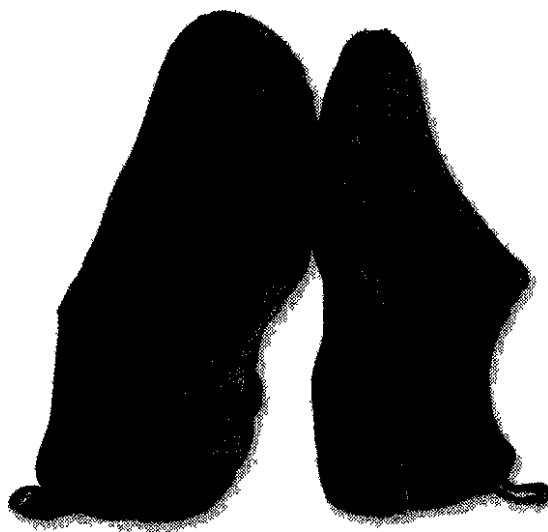
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LINDA CHOMIN

Fairs help support struggling Jewish artists

Natalie Lipnik never stops worrying about her sister and 96-first cousins living in Israel. Surrounded by tanks, the residents are caught in the continuing conflict between the Palestinian Authority and Israeli government. It's become a way of life to venture into the streets only when necessary.

Tourists avoid the area as well so some of the people suffering most are the merchants. The threat of Palestinian suicide bombers attacking shops has left a once thriving community of artists desperate to sell their wares.

Realizing the need, the Jewish community here has come up with a plan to help struggling Israeli artists survive by selling their jewelry, tapestries, paintings, papercuts, silver ritual objects, prayer shawls, and microcalligraphy this weekend and next at two art fairs in West Bloomfield.

Temple Israel will also feature embroidered pillows, challah and matzoh covers, and tallit bags for prayer shawls made by Jews living in Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia, during its show Sunday-Monday, April 21-22. The Ethiopian artists are trying to support their families while waiting for permission to leave for Israel to begin new lives. A special patron preview Saturday, April 20 will go to Sisterhood projects that help Jews here at home.

Judaic Art & Jewelry Fair

Lipnik chairs the third Judaic Art & Jewelry Fair Sunday, April 28, at the Bais Chabad Torah Center, a synagogue in West Bloomfield.

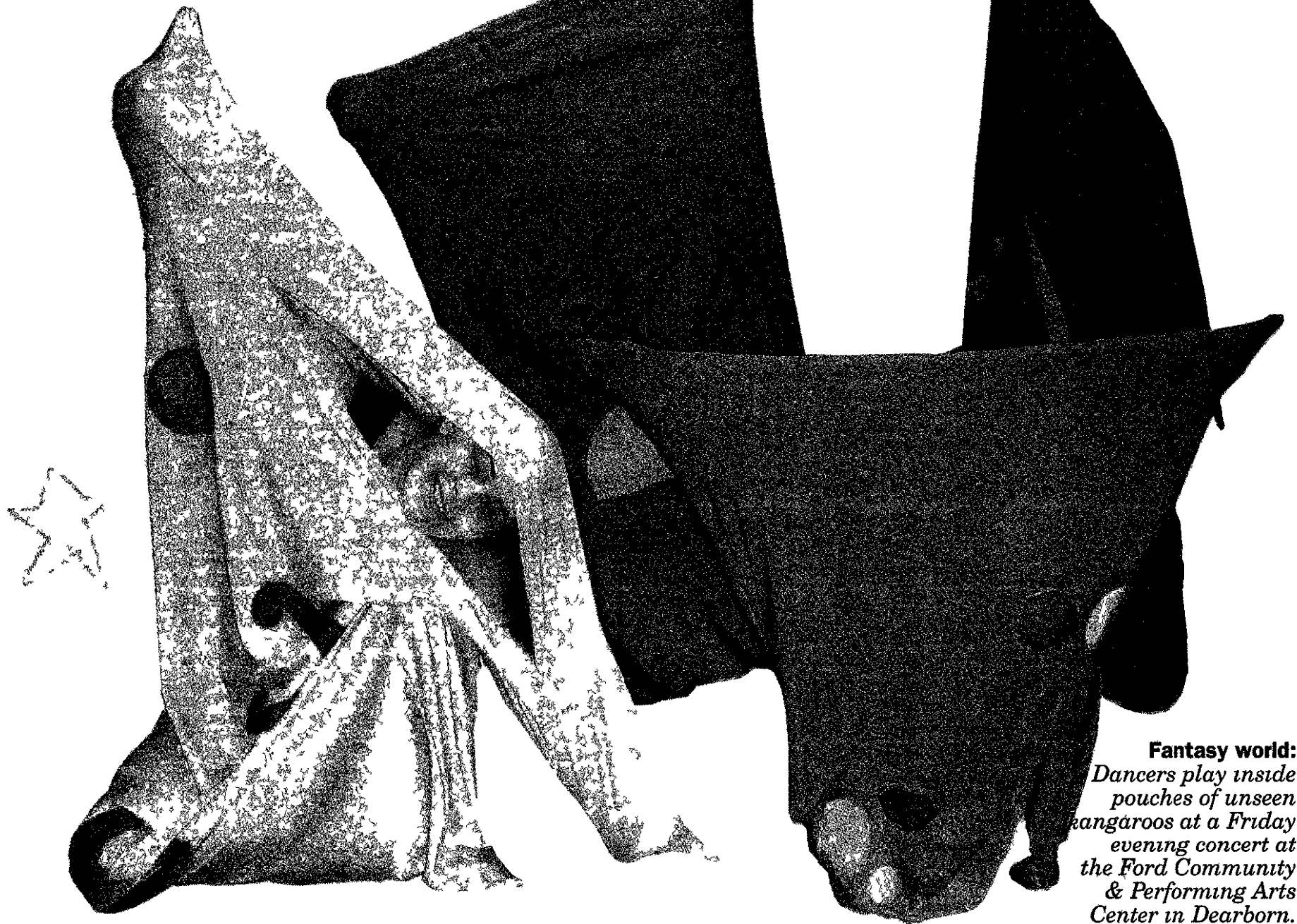
In addition to Israeli artists like David Shamay who will bring jewelry incorporating Roman glass found at excavations in the Holy Land and dated as far back as 2 B.C., the event also features jewelry, glass, ceramics, precious metals, wood, textiles, paper, photography, oils, and watercolors by American and Canadian artists. All of the works are Judaic in theme.

I'm very excited about helping Israeli artists," said Lipnik whose three children were born in Israel during the seven years she lived there.

Another world: Dr. Norman Weiss shows photographs of Ethiopian Jews at the Temple Israel Art Fair.

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Animal Antics



Fantasy world: Dancers play inside pouches of unseen kangaroos at a Friday evening concert at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn.

Detroit Dance Collective awakens the imagination

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Don't look for dancers to hop across the stage in kangaroo costumes for the Detroit Dance Collective premiere of *Carnival of the Animals* Friday, April 26, at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn.

Choreographer Barbara Selinger wants the audience to use their imagination as dancers imitate elephants, swans and turtles in a 40-minute piece set to Camille Saint Saens music and poetry based on it.

"We'll just have pouches, dancers in big stretch bags, on stage instead of the kangaroos," said Selinger, co-artistic director of Detroit Dance Collective and a Farmington Hills resident. "I'm trying not to be literal with the animals. For the elephants trunks dancers wear big long tubes on their arms with snouts at the end. Dancers use their arms as trunks. I'm taking an essence of what that creature is about."

Selinger first began thinking about choreographing the 14-section piece more than three years ago after a suggestion by Paula Kramer, the other half of DDC's artistic director team. She paints a picture of the production that springs to life on stage.

"I wanted to mount something theatrical, a work for children and families," said Selinger. "The ideas starting spinning to make this a fantasy in modern dance. I'm just trying to throw out as many images of the animals as possible and let individuals think 'yeah, that's what elephants do'."

Aquarium will be done behind a screen by dancers with props that look like a 9 foot high jellyfish. They will move so they'll be part of a projection. It's a very stimulating performance. The music is very imaginative. It's a joke. Saint Saens wrote this as a humorous piece. You can really hear the sounds of the animals he chose to represent. It starts out with *The March of the Lion*, five dancers in one huge cape. A swan section features plastic swans on derby hats that look surreal, like right out of a Magritte painting. They look like they're floating."

Selinger credits designer Bernadine Vida for creating the costumes and props with a whimsical touch. For more than 25 years, the Redford resident has sewed up clients ranging from the Detroit Repertory Theatre to *All Night Strut* at the Gem Theatre.



Detroit Dance Collective

What: 22nd annual spring dance concert features new pieces including *Carnival of the Animals* set to the music of Camille Saint Saens

When: 8 p.m. Friday, April 26

Where: Ford Community & Performing Arts Center 15801 Michigan Avenue at Greenfield Dearborn

Tickets: \$18, \$12 seniors/students Call (313) 943-2354

"Bernadine's work is always imaginative," said Selinger. "I like the use of colors. They're always vibrant with appliques. She's very versatile."

Selinger and Vida first discussed the costumes for *Carnival of the Animals* several months ago when the Redford resident was working as a costumer for Eminem's new movie *8 Mile*.

"They're all based on Elizabethan costumes from the 15th century," said Vida who will show the costumes and her photography at the Scarab Club in Detroit in

June. "I dyed all the fabric in bright primary colors and hot tropicals and used appliques of stars, swirls and diamonds for the circus motif."

"Initially I talk with Barbara about her ideas and sometimes we design our work to what each other is doing. I'm excited that it's going to entertain a lot of people."

Selinger thinks the dancers will have as much fun as the audience during the program which also includes *Synergy*, Kramer's mysterious unfinished piece inspired by David Barr's sculpture, the multi-media production features photographs Tom Kramer took of the contemporary work.

Besides members of her own company, Selinger's invited dancers from the Ford Center and Wayne State University to participate in Detroit Dance Collective's 22nd annual Spring Concert.

"Over the years we've used bags to define sculpture in space but for the first time in *Carnival of the Animals* there's an opening in the front for dancers to peek out," said Selinger who teaches choreography and modern dance technique at Wayne State. "We're also doing the first phase of Paula's *Synergy* which is funded by a Creative Artists grant from Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, and will be completed in September. It's based on design and shape of the sculpture and what it expresses."

"Another piece, *Karangan*, which means to create, premiered in December at Wayne State. Based on Balinese themes to music by Colin McPhee, it's multi-media with video that reflects the images you might see in that part of the world. I've animated fabric on computer so it moves like the dancers. It's quite a visual concert."

CONCERT

Big band salutes King of Swing

BY KEELY KALESKI WYGONIK
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Benny Goodman's Big Band music is timeless and still popular. On Sunday, April 28, The Windsor/Detroit Jazz Club will salute Goodman in a tribute concert featuring clarinetist Bill Wyse, Paul Keller and his 17-piece orchestra, and vocalist Susan Chastain.

"This event sold out last year in August at the Livonia Knights of Columbus Hall, so we had to move to a larger venue," said Bill Knowles of Farmington, president of The Windsor/Detroit Jazz Club. "Our capacity was

A Tribute to Benny Goodman
What: Paul Keller's 17 piece orchestra vocal ist Susan Chastain, and clarinetist Jim Wyse on clarinet

When: 3 p.m. Sunday, April 28
Where: Temple Beth El, 14 Mile Road at Telegraph, Bloomfield Hills

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400 people. We turned down 300. We sold out 10 days before the concert. It was so well

received that we decided to do it again. Temple Beth El has seating for close to 1,000 people."

Nostalgia is the reason Keller believes Goodman's music is so popular. "People recognize it, they remember it," he said. "People just go nuts over it — it's music with strong melodies."

Don't Be that Way, is one of the songs Goodman's known for. It and 27 other gems will be performed at the concert.

A bass player and band leader, Keller likes Goodman's arrangements because they pro-



Guest artists: Paul Keller (bass, center) and his orchestra.

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"Israel exists on tourism. Anytime we've been back it's almost like a ghost town. A lot of the artists are barely keeping their heads above water. Many artists who used to have their own studios are now working together in one studio and traveling to the states to sell their work. We would like to support them."

"Many have sons and daughters in the army. In Israel it's mandatory at age 19 for boys and girls to do a stint in the army before going to college. Listening to the news about all the Israeli soldiers killed brings it home."

Temple Israel Art Fair

Carol Cooper is as enthusiastic about helping Jewish artists as Lipnik. In addition to 20 artists from Israel and many more from Ethiopia, nearly 40 exhibitors will show a variety of media at the Temple Israel Art Fair, a mainstay in the community for more than 30 years. Birmingham artist Andrew Madvin displays large scale glass flower lawn sculptures, Marcy and Michael Feldman of Southfield, jewelry, Barbara Abel (West Bloomfield), photography, and Ron Pausner (Birmingham), relief sculpture. More than 35 bou-



Inspired: Israeli artist Bracha Lavie-Brym created this brightly-colored work in felt. Her art is inspired by the city of Jerusalem and biblical stories.

tiques will also feature merchants selling everything from antique purses to children's clothing and jewelry.

"We're all very excited," said Cooper, co chair of the art fair. "At the last minute we added the artists from Israel, two of who will

be at the show. People who make jewelry are starving. They've formed a guild (on line at www.jewelsforisrael.co.il) to try to sell it here to help themselves. It gives us an opportunity to help Israeli artists. That's what is so exciting this year that touches

everybody."

Not to be missed are Dr. Norman Weiss' 16 in by 20-in photographs of Ethiopian Jews embroidering biblical stories on pillows. The West Bloomfield dentist will lead a tour of the images capturing the desperation of the people as they await transport to Israel.

The North American Conference on Ethiopian Jewry developed the embroidery program as a way for people, who previously received welfare payments, to earn money to feed their families. About 40,000 stitches go into creating a vibrantly colored pillow. The sale of each supports an Ethiopian Jewish family for a month.

"The pillows are so incredibly beautiful and the story behind it is a tear jerker," said Cooper. "They're a part of Jewish people still continuing to struggle."

Weiss, who just returned from a trip to Israel, tells a sad story about those left behind in Ethiopia.

"This is a sect of Jews who've lived in Ethiopia since biblical times," said Weiss. "There were airlifts in the mid 1980s and 1990 by the Israeli government but about 20,000 didn't get out. A family of 10 will live in one room of a dirt-floored hut. I'm exhibiting my photos at synagogues around the country to get people interested in contributing to NACOEJ (North American Conference on Ethiopian Jewry). It takes one person working 25 to 30 days to complete one of these pillows and they only receive \$25. It's difficult to feed a family on so little."

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Talented team: Vocalist Susan Chastain and Paul Keller

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vide a framework for some good jazz solos. Most are only three and-a-half minutes long, the length of one side of an oldtime record. The concert will be like listening to Goodman's original records.

"Goodman played a melody like a song," said Keller. "Then he'd improvise afterward. In his day he was like Madonna or Prince, he was the popular music of that generation. That's what the kids were listening to, and having a singer was just one more way of pleasing the audience."

Susan Chastain, owner of the Firefly Jazz Club in Ann Arbor, will sing about seven songs accompanied by Keller's orchestra which plays at the club 8-11 p.m. every Monday.

"Personally, I like all kinds of

jazz," said Keller. "I'm a believer of swing, and Goodman with the King of Swing. There's a kind of excitement in all of it, a kind of power that's attractive to me musically. I'm a fan of harmony and trying to learn new songs and chords."

A lot of research went into this concert. "We put together a concert of 28 gems like this one. I feel like a millionaire," said Keller. "Without a spin on some of Goodman's obscure songs. There's a new excitement in the swing that, that's what makes people want to dance. Jim Wyse is the guy on the local scene, he's right up there with the best clarinets."

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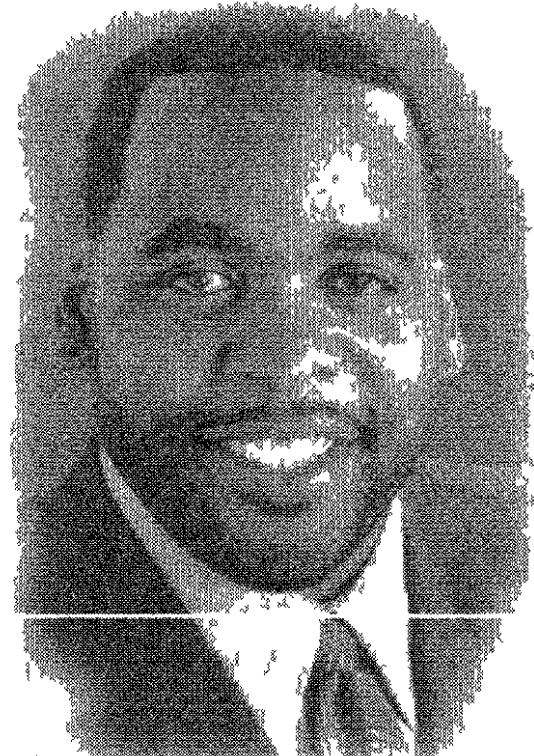
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Crystal Rose Ball

MOT brings 'Otello' to life

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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Mario Corradi spent hour upon hour preparing the chorus and principals for the Michigan Opera Theatre premiere of Giuseppe Verdi's tragic tale of *Otello*.

Staging a storm scene and exchanges between dueling swordsmen all in the first act takes talent and experience. Corradi learned from the best. For five years he assisted Jean-Pierre Ponnell before directing his first opera in 1982. Staging everything from *Don Giovanni* to *Falstaff* in Europe since then gave Corradi an appreciation for the MOT chorus with whom he worked on eight previous occasions.

Adapted from Shakespeare's play about the villainous Iago and his attempts to plant adulterous rumors about the innocent Desdemona in the mind of Otello, the opera offers an opportunity to present a theatrical spectacle with 70-chorus members. In the second week of rehearsals with 100 people on stage, Corradi finally felt Verdi's greatest lyric tragedy about the ill-fated Governor of Cyprus "coming together."

Otello opens Saturday, April 20 at the Detroit Opera House with baritone Mark Delavan as the scheming Iago. Russian tenor Vladimir Galouzine and soprano Guseppina Piunti alternate with Eduardo Villa and Isabella Sacco as the Moor of Venice and Desdemona. Steven Mercurio returns as conductor after numerous engagements with Michigan Opera Theatre.

Otello
What: Michigan Opera Theatre presents Verdi's masterpiece adapted from Shakespeare's tragedy *Otello*.
When: Saturday, April 20 to Sunday, April 28
Where: Detroit, Opera House, 1526 Broadway
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"I'm very pleased," said Corradi. "The biggest challenge is the first act. The chorus is on stage for at least 1/2 hour and there are three separate sections in the first 1/2 of the first act. There's a storm preceding Otello's victory over his enemies. It's very emotional. It looks like Otello's boat is about to be over come and lose the battle. He wins and the chorus rejoices. They light a fire and dance. They all start drinking and it turns into a terrible brawl."

"This house in Detroit has a really fantastic chorus. They do things I could not ask European choruses. They dance and sing. They're not just a physical presence on stage that produces a volume of sound. They're dramatic."

Dean Unick admires Corradi as much as the director does the chorus. The Farmington Hills bass plays a half-blind seaman, one of the characters joyous about triumphing over the enemy. Unick began singing with the Michigan Opera Theatre chorus in 1984.

"Mario wants more out of us than most directors," said Unick.



Dramatic fare: Michigan Opera Theatre borrows lavish sets and costumes from the Baltimore Opera Company for its premiere of Verdi's masterpiece.

He's very good at presenting his intention and arranging us for placement then he demands we finish fleshing out the parts of the chorus.

"Opera is like entertainment, staged. It's best when each creates his own character. I'm still establishing my character, using my nervousness and excitement during the first act. He's a terrible flirt in a barroom drinking and tries to tickle the girls."

Eugene Zweig shares Unick's enthusiasm about playing different characters in the opera that ends with the destruction of Desdemona and Otello. This is the West Bloomfield resident's 25th production with MOT since retiring as a Detroit Public Schools history teacher and counselor in 1991. Zweig first sang with an opera company in 1951 at age 18. For the last 10 years he's directed the choir at Shaarey Zedek in Southfield.

"It's going to be an exciting production," said Zweig. "The music and movement, we do a lot of running and falling down as

the storm rages over the area unlike European choruses who simply stand there and sing. In Act III I'm one of eight baritone ambassadors. I'm looking forward to seeing audience reaction and hearing thunderous applause."

Opera's enchanting quality is what inspired Corradi to become a director. Born in a small town without an opera house, Corradi never realized the effect it could have on audiences until seeing Maria Callas perform at La Scala. She made quite an impression on the 17-year-old Corradi, who went on to become a sought-after director with commitments to stage operas through 2004.

"All I remember is being in the second balcony standing room because it's all I could afford," said Corradi. "I did not know about opera and saw this woman with a white dress running on stage like a mad woman, this mesmerizing presence. I could not take my eyes off this woman."

Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival announces artists for ninth season

The Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival will present more than 20 concerts during its ninth season, scheduled this year from June 15-30.

A coalition of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish congregations sponsor the secular event, which is recognized for its dedication to excellence and intimate dialogue between artists and audience.

St. Hugo of the Hills, Kirk of the Hills and Temple Beth El join together with host ensemble, Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings, to bring the Festival's music to venues throughout metropolitan Detroit, Ann Arbor and East Lansing.

Pianist Ruth Laredo, and sisters Ani and Ida Kavafian, violinists, will join pianist James Tocco and conductor Philip Greenberg. Also returning to the Festival will be violinist Jeffrey Multer, cellist Paul Katz, soprano Linda Hohenfeld and members of the Detroit Chamber Wind & Strings Violinist Shmuel Ashkenasi, cellist Andres Diaz and pianist Sandra Rivers will perform at the festival for the first time this year. The contemporary music sextet eight blackbird will join the Festival performers this year. The group appeared in 1997 as part

of the Festival's Shouse Institute training program.

This year's composer-in-residence, John Harbison, is one of the country's most prominent composers. His opera, *The Great Gatsby*, commissioned by the Metropolitan Opera, premiered to worldwide acclaim in December 1999. The Lyric Opera of Chicago performed Harbison's opera in October 2001. It returns to the Met stage next month.

Harbison has been composer-in-residence with the Pittsburgh Symphony, the Los Angeles Philharmonic, the Tanglewood, Marlboro and Santa Fe Chamber Music Festivals and the American Academy in Rome.

The Festival's concerts have been featured on National Public Radio's Performance Today and the Festival has released two compact discs on the Gasparo label. A third disc, featuring the music of 1999's composer-in-residence, Ned Rorem, was released in 2000 on the Newport Classics label.

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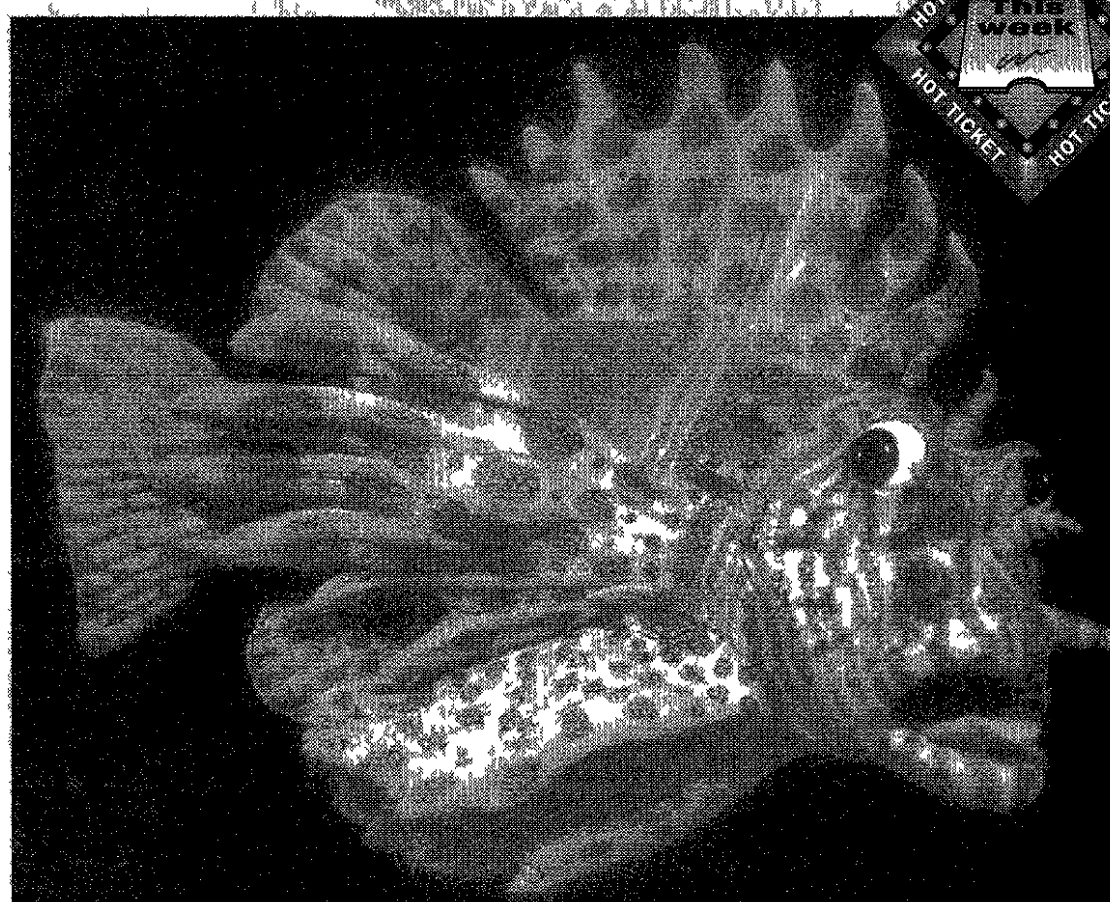
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Tony Pope's N'Orleans Six: 3-6 p m Saturday, April 20 and every other weekend through June 1 at Tom's Oyster Bar, Southfield \$6 (248) 476 2674

Tim Flaharty Trio 9 p m Friday April 27 Woodruff's Supper Club, Sixth east of Washington, Royal

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FOLK/ACOUSTIC

Michael Fracasso: At the Ark 316 S Main St Ann Arbor 7 30 p m Sunday April 21 \$25 www.a2ark.org or (734) 761 1800
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Experience Life with Tim & Tom 9 p m Tuesday April 23 Texas Smoke 543 N Main Street The music of Sound Pilots Friday April 19, Ragamuffin Saturday April 20 (248) 650-8170

WORLD MUSIC

OU Spring Concert: The Composers Forum and Contemporary and Improvisational Music Ensembles presents original compositions 8 p m Thursday April 18 Akwaba African Ensemble and Pan Jumbies Steel Drum Band 10 a m and 8 p m Friday April 19 in Varner Recital Hall at Oakland University Rochester For ticket information (248) 370-3013
Mama's Coffeehouse: Don Conoscenti, open mike 7 15 p m concert 8 p m Singer songwriter J D Lamb opens for Conoscenti at the Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 N Woodward, northwest corner of Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills \$10 \$8 seniors, students 16 and younger (248) 626-4650
Opus Cuatro: A vocal group from Argentina, performs popular music and music rooted in the folk traditions of Argentina and Latin America including spirituals jazz and musicals 8 p m Saturday April 20 Oakland Community College - Smith Theater Orchard Ridge campus 27055 Orchard Lake Road west of 12 Mile Road \$15 advance \$18 at the door (248) 855 4948 or (586) 731 3929
Pat McDunn 8 11 p m Friday at Duke Humphries Rochester Hills No cover (248) 601 1100 (Irish)
The Diggers: 8 30 p m Thursday April 25 at Sean O Callaghan's Irish Pub 821 Penniman Plymouth Live Irish music Tuesday Thursday and Sunday (734) 459 6666

CLASSIC/ MODERN DANCE

MoreDances Contemporary Dance Company: Presents Contemporary Creations 2 p m Sunday April 21 in the Maggie Allessee Studio Theatre in the Old Main Building on the campus of Wayne State University Cass and Warren Detroit \$15 \$10 students seniors and children under age 12 (248) 689-4084

SOCIAL DANCING

Moon-Dusters: Ballroom dancing to live bands featuring swing, fox trot waltz cha-cha and Latin 8 30-11 30 p m Saturday at the Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile Road \$5 (248) 967 1428
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U-M Ballroom Dance Club: Ballroom dance lessons and open dancing 4-10 p m Sunday at the Union Ballroom, Ann Arbor \$2 (734) 763 6984
Polka Boosters: Sunday Dance 1 30 p m doors open Sunday April 21 3-7 p m dancing music by Fred Ziwich Pvt John Lyskawa Hall 6828 Waverly Dearborn Heights \$12 (586) 751 2834 (313) 937 1316

POETRY/ SPOKEN WORD

Evening of Arts: Features visual poetic and musical responses to 9-11 8 p m Sunday April 21 Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 Woodward Ave Bloomfield Hills \$15 adults \$5 under \$18
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

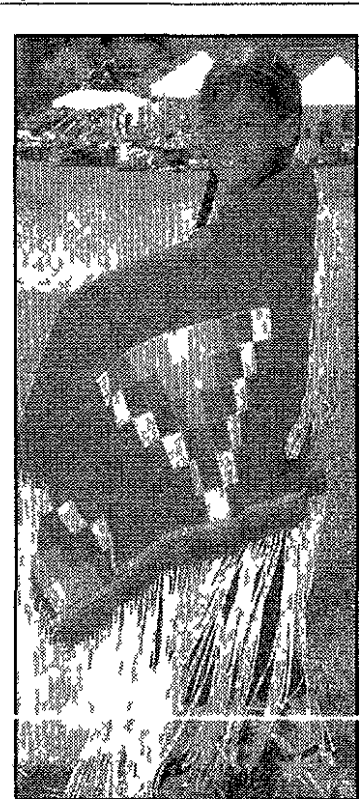
every third Wednesday through April in the Pittman Puckett Art Gallery at the community center (248) 398 7105

COMEDY

Mark Ridley's Comedy Club: John BNizzare and Chrissy Burns 8 p m Thursday Saturday April 19 21 additional shows 10 30 p m Friday Saturday at the club 269 East Fourth Royal Oak \$6 Thursday \$12 Friday \$14 Saturday (248) 542 9900
Second City New female revue Chickalicious joins Two for Tuesdays - Show and Osamalama Ding Dong at 8 p m Chickalicious featuring Lisa Maxine Melinn of West Bloomfield Ashley Ann Back of Bloomfield Hills and Cara Lee Burk of Rochester Hills runs 8 p m Tuesday through May 14 Tounng company presents The Best of Second City 8 p m Wednesday Jihad It Up to Here shows 8 & 10 30 p m Thursday Friday 8 p m Sunday Ticket prices and show times vary \$5 \$20 (313) 965 2222
Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase: Tim O'Rourke 8 p m Thursday Saturday April 25 27 additional shows 10 30 p m Friday Saturday 314 E Liberty (734) 996-9080

MUSEUMS AND TOURS

Detroit Institute of Arts: Continues its Friday night program ming at the museum 5200 Woodward Ave With admission \$4 \$1 children free for Founders Society members *Over The Line The Art and Life of Jacob Lawrence* a major retrospective 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 and Greenfield Village New museum hours are 9 a m 5 p m Monday Saturday and noon to 5 p m Sunday \$7 50-\$14 (313) 271 1620 For IMAX ticket prices and show times call (800) 747 IMAX (4629)
Meadow Brook Hall: Tours continue through June 1 30 p m Monday Sunday and 3 30 p m General admission \$8 \$6 seniors/children discounts for groups of 20 or more (248) 370 3140 or www.meadowbrookhall.org
University of Michigan Museum of Art: Women Who Ruled Queens Goddesses Amazons



Native American culture: Family Pettibone & Family perform 1 30-2 15 p m Saturday, April 20, at the Southfield Centre for the Arts, 24350 Southfield Tickets are \$4 Call (248) 424-9022 Pettibone, his wife Marka, and daughter Autumn have been presenting Native American dance and culture programs for more than 10 years Pettibone was raised on the Ho Chunk reservation in Black River Falls, Wis

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

ARTISTS

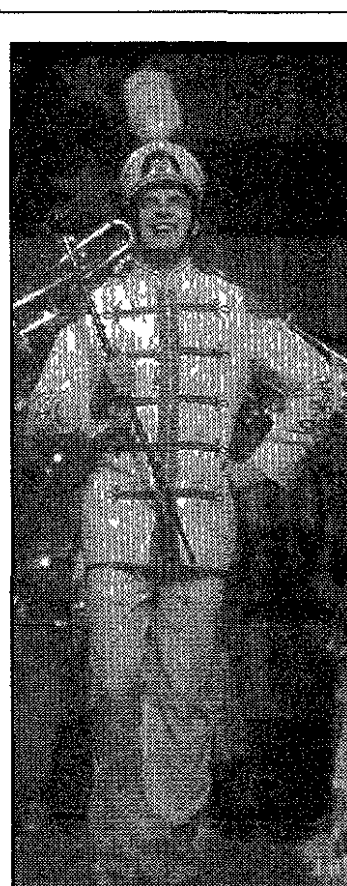
Art Dash: Looking for artists to donate work for a fund raising event for Arbor Hospice Thursday, May 30 at St John's Golf and Conference Center Plymouth (248) 348-4980
Art on the Green: The Franklin Arts Council is seeking artists in a variety of media for the 22nd annual Labor Day Fine Arts Show *Art on the Green* in Franklin Village 10 a m to 5 p m Monday Sept 2 For an application call (248) 594-3093
ArtServe Michigan: Applications are now available for the 2003 Creative Artist Grant program including creative writing music film video and inter/multidisciplinary categories Deadline for entry is Friday May 17 Application can be downloaded from the library at www.ArtServeMichigan.org Questions call Christine Scheffman at (248) 557-8288
Detroit Zoo: Looking for artists to create works of art on 6 foot polar bear fiberglass forms for Polar Palooza an Arctic celebration to take place this summer If interested call Lisa Wisniewski at ArtServe Michigan (248) 557 8288 Ext 12 The zoo is also looking for sponsors for the 100 fiberglass polar bears to be exhibited in Royal Oak For more information call (248) 398-0900 or visit the Web site at www.detroitzoo.org
Livonia Arts Commission Is looking for artists and crafters for its 26th annual Arts Festival Saturday Sunday June 8-9 in Greenmead Historical Park in Livonia For an application call the community resources department at (734) 466 2540 Exhibitors are also wanted for the display cases in the Livonia Civic Center Library Artists or collectors should contact Donna Eno at (734) 261 5870
VSA arts of Michigan: Looking for professional artists who are interested in sharing their creative processes in dance drama literature music poetry and the visual arts with students with disabilities Artists must be interested in learning how to accommodate students with a variety of disabilities Qualified artists will be trained at the R A 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 K 12 schools throughout the state Interested artists should send resumes to Artist in Residence Initiative VSA arts of Michigan 51 West Hancock Detroit MI 48201 For more information, call (313) 832 3303 or send e-mail to vsami@ic.net

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ART CLASSES/ WORKSHOPS

Ann Arbor Art Center: Adult and youth courses including ceramics jewelry making figure sculpting and drawing, Renaissance painting tilemaking mosaics glass blowing pottery puppetry wheel thrown clay and more 117 W Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 994-8004 Ext 101
Art Gallery/Studio: Margaret Cooney and Kay Rowe teach watercolor classes in April Carol Knotts teaches pastel in Sheridan Square Shopping Center Garden City (734) 261 0379
Art of Living Studio: Drawing scarf-dyeing and awakening your artistic vision classes book conversation and poetry nights 11 S Broadway Lake Orion (248) 693-3632
Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Art classes from preschool through adult 1516 South Cranbrook Road Birmingham (248) 644-0866
Creative Arts Center: Classes for



Strike up the band: "The Music Man" continues through Sunday, April 21, at the Fox theatre Detroit. Tickets \$24 to \$56 Call (248) 433-1515.

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: Taking registration for summer art camps This year's theme - Going Buggy For more information call (734) 453 3710
Outside the Lines Studio: Decorative painting classes, learn faux finishes with glazes animals prints paper mosaics glass painting floorcloths, furniture painting and more Berkley (248) 399-9304
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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
Visual Art Association of Livonia: Classes in various arts forms including oil watercolor pastel and drawing at the Jefferson Center Room 16 9501 Henry Ruff Livonia Mary Ann Adams, (734) 455 9517

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GALLERY EXHIBITS (ONGOING)

Au Courant Design Studio and Gallery: Michigan artist Lois Teicher will be featured in Small Scale April 27 to June 1 opening reception 5 7 p m Saturday April 27 23255 Woodward Ferndale (248) 548 3770
Lemberg Gallery: New Paintings and Works on Paper by Stephen Magsig April 27 June 1 opens with a reception 5-7 p m Saturday April 27 23241 Woodward Ferndale (248) 591 6623
GALLERY EXHIBITS (ONGOING)

Barbara Adelson Studios: Frank Lloyd Wright art glass, windows and textile blocks by appointment West Bloomfield (248) 681 7227
Ariana Gallery: Reactions Reflections and Refractions a group glass show continues to May 5 Royal Oak (248) 546-8810
Atrium Center Gallery: Features the glass work of Vic Leo through April 109 North Center Northville (248) 380-0470
Alfred Berkowitz Gallery: Selected works from the Richard and Louise Abrahams Glass Collection continues to April 26 at the gallery inside the Mardigian Library on the University of Michigan Dearborn campus 4901 Evergreen (313) 593-5058
Art Corridor Galleries: Together with the Farmington Area Arts Commission presents a collection of Scholastic Competition art entries by students from Farmington, North Farmington and Harrison high schools continues to April 25 at Farmington City Hall and Farmington Hills City Hall (248) 473-1856
Art du Renard Studio Galerie: Portraiture by James Fox down the stairs at 415 Walnut St Rochester (810) 914-0926
Art Leaders Gallery: Glass by more than 30 regional and international artists continues to April 30 33030 Northwestern Highway West Bloomfield (248) 539 0262
Au Courant Studio/Gallery: International Color Exposed a collection of photographs by David Burzynski continues to April 20 Ferndale
Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center: Art & artifacts from the collections of the Cranbrook Institute of science and contemporary interpretations by students from the College from Creative Studies and *The Italian Influence on Contemporary American Glass* continue to May 3 1516 South Cranbrook Birmingham (248) 644 0866
Janice Charach Epstein Gallery: Five Artists Five Directions in Glass through Thursday April 25 (248) 432 5448
CPOP Gallery The Circus Show features a group of artists through April 28 4160 Woodward Detroit (313) 833-9901
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
Designhaus Studio: Oil on canvas landscapes by Malo to May 16 111 West Second Street, Rochester (248) 601-4422
Detroit Contemporary: Features the work of Susan Aaron Taylor Mary Fortuna Robert Herrick Gilda Oliver and Cranbrook Academy Collective's variations on the chair through May 19 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd Detroit (313) 898-4ART
Farmington Hills City Gallery Michigan Weavers Guild displays tapestries felt sculptures baskets table runner and garments and other items through May 6 in the gallery at the Costick Center 28600 West 11 Mile east of Middlebelt (248) 473 1856
Fisher Building Lobby: Paintings by Niagara the Notorius True Crime Narrative continues to April 30 Use Second Avenue entrance 3011 W Grand Boulevard Detroit (313) 873 7873
Livonia Arts Commission: Presents the work of Livonia Public Schools students through April 29 in the Fine Arts Gallery and exhibition cases at the Livonia Civic Center Library 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington Road The Palette Guild exhibits through April 29 at Livonia City Hall 33000 Civic Center Drive east of Farmington Road (734) 466-2490
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
Native West: The Nature of Glass featuring Michael Storey and Sara Creekmore continues to April 30 863 West Ann Arbor Trail Plymouth (734) 455-8838
Orchard Lake Framing & Gallery: *A Glassy Occasion* focuses on original art by local artists in celebration of glass month 3477 Orchard Lake Road Keego Harbor (248) 681 7447
Park West Gallery: Daily exhibit continues to May 1 29469

Northwestern Southfield (248) 354-2343
Plymouth Community Arts Council: A Chinese Celebration including traditional and contemporary art exhibit, costumes, textile work, music, dance and religion continues to April 22 774 North Sheldon at Junction (734) 416-4278
Revolution Gallery: Recent sculpture and works on paper by Heather McGill continues to April 20 23257 Woodward, Ferndale (248) 541 3444
Scarab Club: Primal Expressions, a collection of charcoal rubbings and photographs by Lin Gillman in the Lounge Gallery, continues to April 30 217 Farnsworth behind the Detroit Institute of Arts
Sisson Gallery: Undergraduate art students show their work to April 24 In the MacKenzie Fine Arts Center at Henry Ford Community College 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn (313) 845-6485
York Street Glassworks: Don Schneider shows a variety of his works 875 York Street in Plymouth's Old Village (734) 459 6419
Zeitgeist Gallery & Performance Venue: Recent works by Jason Passeno in the Bar Gallery, and painter George Graveliner and Aaron Ibn Por Pitts in the Gallery Space continues to April 27 2661 Michigan Avenue, Detroit (313) 965-9192

CLASSES FOR CHILDREN

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

LIVE MUSIC

Creedence Clearwater Revived 8 p m Thursday April 18, The Palace of Auburn Hills \$14 general admission, \$29 reserved (248) 645-6666
Dave Matthews Band: 7 p m Tuesday, April 23 The Palace of Auburn Hills \$46 50 (248) 645-6666
David Mosher: With Dan Hall and Bob Genes 8 p m, April 13, at Depot Theatre 4561 Village Lane Road Clarkston \$15 (248) 625 8811
Gordon Lightfoot: 8 p m Saturday April 27, Michigan Theatre Ann Arbor \$37 50-\$42 50 (248) 645-6666 or (734) 763-TKTS
Jason Drennie 8 p m Saturday April 20, Trinity House Theatre Livonia \$10 \$8 for members (734) 464-6302
Larry Maxwell: 8-11 p m Thursday Saturday at Duke Humphries, Rochester Hills No cover (248) 601 1100
The Samples With Moon Boat Lover 8 p m Saturday, April 20 at Magic Bag Ferndale \$15 (standing room only) (248) 544-3030

Modern ballet company turns Cinderella into a sad, little doll

Fantasy world: Porcelain masked dancers delight audiences in the Lyon Opera Ballet production of "Cinderella"



By LINDA ANN CHOMIN
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A porcelain-masked dancer twirls around the stage then suddenly drops to the ground as if wounded. Yorgus Loukis admits *Cendrillon* (*Cinderella*) isn't a typical refresh of the classical ballet set to the music of Prokofiev. Provocative, maybe even bizarre, might spring to the minds of audiences as they watch the Lyon Opera Ballet production at the Power Center for the Performing Arts Friday-Sunday, April 19-21.

Loukis, artistic director of France's contemporary ballet company, calls it "sad." Choreographed by Maguy Marin, the fairy tale becomes a magical world where childhood jealousy and cruelty play leading roles

Cendrillon
What: Lyon Opera Ballet presents a magical version of the classic Cinderella tale.
When: 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday, April 19-20, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 21.
Where: Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street, Ann Arbor.
Tickets: \$18-\$36. Call (734) 764-2538.

Cinderella looks like a Kewpie doll from the outside but inside she's unhappy and deeply disturbed. The ill-treatment she receives from a mean stepmother and two stepsisters leads her to befriend a strange being surrounded by even stranger animals.

approach to a classical work but a contemporary work that we wanted to do through puppets," said Loukis during a telephone interview from a hotel in Canada. The company is on a seven-week tour of 14 cities. "On stage is a three-story doll house from the 19th century and the dancers inhabiting it become the story of our childhood."

"It's one of my favorites, a completely coherent styled work with costumes that make dancers look like dolls. Extremely choreographed, the dancers learned to move like dolls. They make you feel that these masks are alive. It works because it has tenderness, cruelty and humanity."

Children especially like the Lyon Opera Ballet's version of

Cinderella because it takes them to a world of make believe. When the production first debuted in New York's City Center in 1987, it was so well received by audiences that the company returned to New York that spring for two weeks. Since then Lyon Opera Ballet has made four cross-country tours of the U.S., most recently in 1999 when they performed *Carmen* as part of the University Musical Society series in Ann Arbor.

UMS is bringing the company back for three performances of *Cendrillon*.

"It works on different levels," said Loukis. "For children — they follow surprised. They believe. They're surprised when the dancers take off their masks. It's part of their world."



RIVA SAYEGH

The wait is over: Kevin Peyok (left to right), Dominic Romano, Jim Edmunds and Dean Fertita are Bobsled recording artists The Waxwings. Their new album is due out in June, but the celebration starts Friday.

The Waxwings return with *Shadows*

When garage rock duo The White Stripes earned the formidable title of "Best Live Band in the World" (*Mojo Magazine*) and recently sold out four phenomenal nights at New York's Bowery Ballroom, it became obvious that Detroit rock was finally getting the attention it deserves.

And though Detroit's Waxwings lean closer to the dreamy pop side of the spectrum, one can't help but hope some of that well-deserved national focus

might soon swing their way. The band — featuring Dean Fertita, Kevin Peyok, Dominic Romano and James Edmunds — has spent the year working hard on a follow-up to its 2000 debut on Bobsled Records, *Low to the Ground*.

Finally complete, The Waxwings celebrate with four CD release parties for *Shadows of the Waxwings*.

The first will be 9 p.m. Friday, April 19 at Detroit's Magic Stack. The Waxwings will be backed

solidly by Outrageous Cherry and Pas/Cal.

The band will also host CD release parties in Minnesota, because the album was recorded there, in Chicago, because the band's label is based in Illinois, and in Lawrence, Kansas because fans there have truly embraced them.

Cover for Friday's show is \$10. For more information, call (313) 833-9700.

— By S A Casola

Groups sponsor pet adoption day at Detroit Zoo

The Detroit Zoo is gearing up for annual spring and summer events — Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo and Sunset at the Zoo.

The Michigan Humane Society will team with the Detroit Zoo on May 4-5 for its annual Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo, animal adoption program.

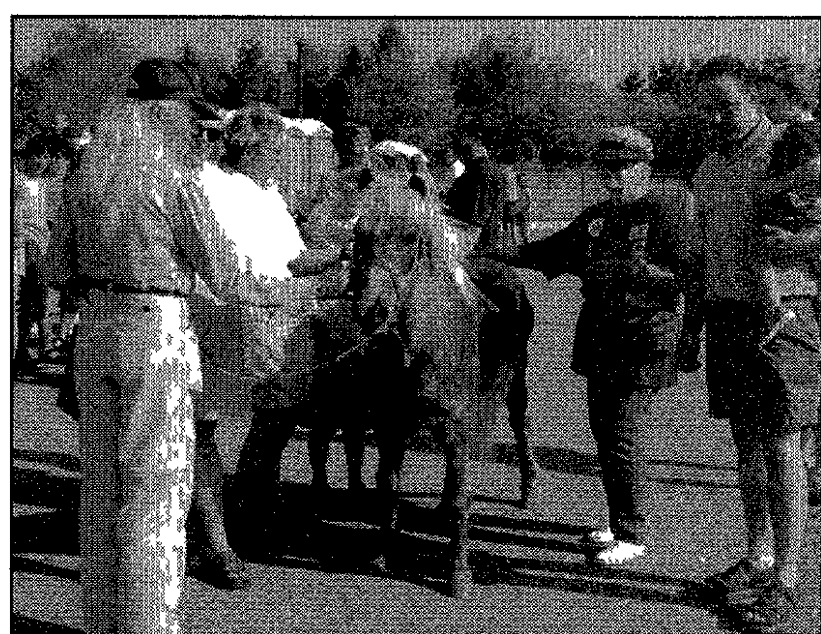
The Michigan Humane Society and 26 other humane organizations, rescue groups and animal control agencies, will bring dogs, cats, kittens, puppies, rabbits, Guinea pigs and other small animals to the zoo from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. both days. They'll also have rescued ponies on hand.

Visitors will get a chance to meet the animals and adopt them. Through the event last year, 789 animals found new homes.

Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo is held outdoors under huge tent. There is no admission charge for the event and for parking. For more information call the Michigan Humane Society at (313) 872-3400.

Tickets for Polar Blast Sunset at the Zoo are available now for the summer fund-raiser. They range from \$75-\$500 per person.

General Motors presents the party, which is scheduled rain or



Zoo day: Visitors check out a pony at the Michigan Humane Society's annual "Meet Your Friend at the Zoo Day", while other animals such as this cat (below) will be available for adoption.

shine from 7-11 p.m. Friday, June 21 at the zoo. Proceeds from the annual Detroit Zoological Society fund-raiser will benefit education and conservation programs related to the zoo's Arctic Rang of Life polar bear exhibit.

Ticket-holders will sample foods from fine restaurants, including P.F. Chang's, Big Rock Chop House, Mac and Rays, the Rattlesnake Club and the Whitney, during a strolling supper. They'll also enjoy live entertainment, dancing and a chance to visit zoo attractions in the evening.

Activities also include a raffle of such items as a Hummer H2, donated by Jennifer and David Fischer of The Suburban Collection, a Kenyan safari for two from Park East Tours, and an 18-karat gold polar bear pin from Jules R. Schubott Jewellers. Raffle tickets are \$100.

Reserve tickets for the Polar Blast Sunset at the Zoo by calling (248) 541-5757. The zoo is located at Woodward and the I-696 expressway service drive, in Royal Oak.

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You'll laugh at Scorpion King's fist-fest action

BY DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

There are two choices on *The Scorpion King*. You can laugh AT The Rock or laugh WITH him as he poses, flexes, glowers and pile drives his way through a string of violent dust ups in ancient Egypt.

The safe bet is you'll laugh with him. *The Scorpion King* an offshoot of *The Mummy* franchise is a brisk, amiably silly fist fest that establishes pro wrestler The Rock as her apparent to Arnold Schwarzenegger for favorite on screen bruiser.

With testosterone to spare this is a guy's flick among guy flicks, delivering bone crunching action, goofy humor, loads of nasty creepy-crawlers including cobras and ravenous fire ants and a solid skin factor courtesy of scantily clad co-star Kelly Hu.

The Scorpion King flies by quickly, nicely paced by director Chuck Russell, who keeps the swords arrows and punches flying in good old fashioned swashbuckling style.

And critical to the movie's success its violence is cartoonish and sanitized enough to draw a PG 13 rating so the film can pack in the early teen age boys.

Reprising his brief role in last year's *The Mummy Returns* The Rock stars as Mathayus, one of the last survivors of an ancient race of Akkadian assassins.

Mathayus is hired by ravaged tribes to kill the sorceress Cas

sandra (Kelly Hu) whose advice has helped the evil warlord Memnon (Steven Brand) drive his opponents to near extinction. Yet Cassandra proves strangely sympathetic to Mathayus, who after a series of daring escapes from Memnon's thugs kidnaps the sorceress and flees with her into the desert. They wind up as allies in the fight against Memnon, aided by the Nubian behemoth Balthazar (Michael Clarke Duncan) inventor Philo (Bernard Hill) and comic relief geek Arpid (Grant Heslov).

After a hard day of looting and pillaging there's no greater city than Gomorrah, Arpid proclaims as he and Mathayus approach the sinful city. Except maybe Sodom.

The main cast is rounded out by Peter Facinelli as Memnon's villainous ally, Prince Fakmet, and Olympic gold medalist Sherri Howard as Queen Isis.

Stephen Sommers writer/director of both mummy movies is a producer and co-wrote the screenplay for *The Scorpion King* which has the same campy spirit as its predecessors.

Scorpion King relies far less than *The Mummy* flicks on glitzy visual effects leaning instead on stunts sword play and bare knuckle combat. Watching the battle of the giants when The Rock and Duncan mix it up is almost worth the price of a ticket alone.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Scheduled to open Friday April 19

THE SCORPION KING

Set in early ancient Egypt this is the story of how a peasant who wreaks revenge on a marauding army who pillaged his village and how he eventually becomes the First Pharaoh of Egypt known as the Scorpion King. Stars Dwayne The Rock Johnson Michael Clarke Duncan Peter Facinelli Kelly Hu and Bernard Hill. Directed by Chuck Russell. (Universal Pictures) Rated PG 13.

Scheduled to open Friday April 26

JASON X

In the year 2455 long after humanity has abandoned Earth as a lifeless planet an expedition of archaeological students discovers a research facility where two people are cryogenically frozen. One a young woman the other a large male in a strange mask. The ice begins to thaw and so the students bring the bodies back to their spaceship having no idea what they just unleashed on the future and of course on themselves. Jason (New Line) Rated R.

LIFE OR SOMETHING LIKE IT

The film revolves around Lanie Kerrigan (Angelina Jolie) a feature reporter at a Seattle television station who seems to have it all. A baseball superstar boyfriend a gorgeous apartment and a shot at a big network assignment. In the midst of a fluff piece/interview a homeless local street seer named Prophet Jack tells Lanie that she leads a meaningless existence and will die the following week. When Prophet Jack's other predictions come true Lanie begins to re-examine her life and priorities which includes rekindling a relationship with a cameraman (Edward Burns) with whom she has long been at odds. Stephen Herek directs the drama. Other featured

players include Tony Shalhoub Christian Kane and Stockard Channing. (Twentieth Century Fox) Rated PG 13.

BIG BAD LOVE

This drama weaves together the stories of an alcoholic Vietnam vet Leon Barlow struggling to become a working writer and that of his ex-wife Marilyn who refuses to allow him to see their pre-adolescent son Alan and daughter Alisha who has an incurable illness. Stars Arliss Howard Debra Winger Olivia Kersey and Angie Dickinson. Directed by Arliss Howard. (IFC Films) Rated R.

Scheduled to open Friday May 3

HOLLYWOOD ENDING

Mum's the word on the plot except the fact that Woody Allen plays a Hollywood director who is hired to direct his ex-wife (Tea Leoni) in a movie. Featured players include filmmaker Mark Rydell as Allen's agent and Treat Williams as Leon's new boyfriend. The studio boss Lending femme support are Debra Messing (from TV's Will and Grace) and Tiffani Amber Thiesen. Allen directs the comedy marking his first feature since completing *Curse of the Jade Scorpion* in 2001. (DreamWorks) Rated PG 13.

THE TRIUMPH OF LOVE

Leonide (Mira Sorvino) Princess of Sparta resorts to deception and disguise to win the man she loves a young prince whose throne she along the way helps restore. The only problem is that her various disguises both male and female end up thrice engaged. (Paramount Classics) Rated PG 13.

SPIDER-MAN

Orphaned at an early age Peter Parker (Tobey Maguire) lived in Queens New York with his beloved Aunt May and Uncle Ben. Peter led the life of a normal student working as a photographer at

the Daily Bugle under the tutelage of publisher J. Jonah Jameson pining after the beautiful Mary Jane Watson and hanging out with buddy Harry Osborn. On a school trip during which Peter and his class mates are given a science demonstration on spiders Peter is bitten by a genetically altered spider. Soon after he discovers that he has unusual powers. He is endowed with the strength and agility of a spider along with a keen ESP like spider sense. Featured players include Kirstin Dunst as Mary Jane Watson James Franco (TV's Freaky and Geeks) and veteran actor Cliff Robertson as Peter's Uncle (Columbia Pictures) Rated PG 13.

DEUCES WILD

Set in the summer of 1958 the story tells of a Brooklyn street gang the Deuces as they learn that loyalty and midnight rumbles can no longer protect them from the turbulent times ahead. Gunfights and honor quickly become a thing of the past as a new breed of wiseguys threaten to take control of their neighborhood. Featured among the ensemble are Fairuzza Balk Matt Dillon Stephen Dorff Balthazar Getty and Brad Renfro. Scott Kalvert directs the drama. (MGM/UA) Rated R.

Scheduled to open Friday May 10

THE NEW GUY

After sealing his uncool reputation with an embarrassing ninth grade accident a high school student decides to switch alma maters his senior year for a final stab at popularity. All goes well until his primary nemesis follows him to the new school. Featured players include DJ Qualls as the uncool student who reinvents himself as a tough guy Lyle Lovett Eddie Griffin and Eliza Dushku. Edward Decker helms the comedy marking his feature directorial debut. (Columbia Pic

tures / Revolution Studios) Rated PG 13.

UNFAITHFUL

A middle-aged wife and mother has an unexpected and torrid affair with a handsome younger man. After her husband discovers her deceit he murders his wife's lover and the husband and wife must face the consequences of their actions. Based on the 1969 film *La Femme Infidèle* the film stars Richard Gere Diane Lane Olivier Martinez and Erik Per Sullivan. Adrian Lyne directs the drama marking his first since completing *LOLITA* in 1997. (Twentieth Century Fox) Rated R.

Scheduled to open Wednesday May 16

STAR WARS: EPISODE II - ATTACK OF THE CLONES

Ten years after the events of the Phantom Menace not only has the galaxy undergone significant change but so have Obi Wan Kenobi (Ewan McGregor) Padme Amidala and Anakin Skywalker as they are thrown together again for the first time since the Trade Federation invasion of Naboo. Anakin has grown into the accomplished Jedi apprentice of Obi Wan who himself has transitioned from student to teacher. The two Jedi are assigned to protect Padme whose life is threatened by a faction of political separatists. As relationships form and power forces collide these heroes face choices that will impact not only their own fates but the destiny of the Republic. Featured in the cast are Natalie Portman as Padme Jimmy Smits Samuel L. Jackson Frank Oz Ian McDiarmid Pernell La August Christopher Lee and Hayden Christensen as Anakin. Directed by George Lucas. (Twentieth Century Fox) This film is not yet rated.

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Share our Strength event fights hunger with great taste

BY ELEANOR HEALD
SPECIAL WRITER

From 6-10 p.m. on Sunday, April 28, the area's best restaurants and wine purveyors will gather at Somerset Collection South in Troy for the Share our Strength (SOS) Taste of the Nation strolling dinner.

A stellar event last year at the same Somerset venue it is again sponsored nationally by American Express and locally hosted by Mercedes Benz and other businesses. SOS is the nation's largest culinary benefit, in which the restaurant and wine community shares its strength in the fight against hunger and poverty.

Event co-chairs are Unique Restaurant Corporation's Corporate Executive Chef Jim Barnett and Wine Director, Master Sommelier Madeline Triffon. Proprietors Denny and Dan Walsh of Ye Olde Wine Shoppe in Rochester Hills are the wine co-chairpersons.

Each year, the dinner raises much needed money for the local anti-hunger and anti-poverty efforts of the Foodbank of Oakland County, Gleaners Community Foodbank and Forgotten Harvest. One hundred percent of the \$100 per person ticket sales and all proceeds of the event go directly to fight hunger.

Tickets can be obtained by phoning Foodbank of Oakland County (248) 332-1473 or at Ye Olde Wine Shoppe at (248) 852-

5533

If SOS is new to you, you need to know that it is one of the nation's leading anti-hunger, anti-poverty organizations that began in the basement of a row house on Capitol Hill in 1984. Today, it mobilizes thousands of culinary professionals to organize events such as Taste of the Nation, among its other creative partnerships with a range of industries.

Restaurant Who's Who

Participating restaurants in this year's SOS dinner read like the area's restaurant Who's Who list. Attendees are offered the rare opportunity to taste the varied food styles of many local restaurants all in one place.

Among headliners and naming only a few are Southfield's Beans & Cornbread with its unique spin on Southern cooking. At this table, try the Baby Sister Backyard Style Baby Back Ribs.

Chef Chris Brown from Brian Polcyn's of Five Lakes Grill in Milford will showcase this eatery's famous bistro style cuisine with Smoked Duck Breast with Wild Greens and Mustard Vinaigrette. Chef/proprietor Steve Allen of Steve & Rocky's in Novi, perennial supporter of charity events, always prepares some thing special.

With Asian flavors one of the hottest food trends, there's plenty to sample in this style from Southfield's Musashi, Troy's Mon

Jin Lau or P.F. Chang's where Executive Chef Ted Teeter will showcase his Chang's Chicken in Soothing Lettuce Wraps.

Seafood lovers can stroll to the tables of Northern Lakes Seafood Company, Charley's Crab, McCormick & Schmick's Seafood, Tom's Oyster Bar or No. VI Chop House & Lobster Bar where Chefs Eric Ward and Brian Perrone will offer Petite Lobster Tails with No. VI House Whipped Potatoes.

Observer & Eccentric food columnist and Southfield's Golden Mushroom Executive Chef Michael Trombley is on a seafood bent, offering Smoked Salmon with Crispy Potatoes and Boursin Cheese. The same can be said for Chef Matt Schellig of URC's Duet restaurant, at Orchestra Hall in Detroit, who will prepare Paper Wrapped Shrimp.

Two of Detroit's casinos will show off their restaurants. Grilled Portabellas will be highlighted by MGM Grand's Brown Derby while Master Chef Michael Russell of Motor City Casino's Irresistance will have you asking for seconds of his Pan Seared Foie Gras with Simmered Fennel and Cracked Black Pepper Caramel.

To tickle your sweet tooth, Chef Kelli Lewton, an Observer & Eccentric Taste section columnist and proprietor of Aunt Olive's Good Food 2 Go, will present Chocolate Fantasy Bark. Birmingham's Forte restaurant pastry chef Tanya Fallon will fill a table with her famous sweets. Rocky



Cheers: Denny and Dan Walsh (left to right) of Ye Olde Wine Shoppe with Master Sommelier Madeline Triffon.

Mountain Chocolate Factory will serve Caramel Apples and Fudge and Nut Brittle. Nothing fishy from Birmingham's Streetside Seafood, Chef Sharon Juergens will slice up Key Lime Pie.

Food and wine

What's great food without great wine? Like a day without sunshine! Here are just a few of the show stopper wines you may wish

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Culinary wizards: Matthew Prentice, President and CEO of Unique Restaurant Corp (left) with Jim Barnett, executive corporation chef.

TABLE HOPPING

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Too Chez Bistro - has made yet another change to reflect its casual bistro style atmosphere. The restaurant has pared down its extensive wine list to offer a one-page list of Bistro Wines, which range in price from \$15-\$35. The new list offers vintages from producers in France, Italy, California, New Zealand


and Australia, just to name a few.

"The purpose of Too Chez Bistro's recent transition was to become more casual and approachable," said John Baumgartner, general manager. "We want picking a bottle of wine to be fun and easy, it shouldn't be intimidating or seem like rocket science."

If the simplified list of vintages still seems overwhelming, guests can take advantage of Baumgartner's knowledge of wines, as he has received recognition as a Certified Sommelier by the Court of Master Sommeliers. Connoisseurs and patrons cele-

brating a special occasion can still view the more exclusive reserve list that features more rare vintages. Too Chez features a fresh and flavorful menu served in a casually warm, bistro-style atmosphere. Lunch and dinner are served Monday-Saturday, and brunch is served Sunday, with seating in the bi-level dining room, in the private chef's room, and in the screened patio during summer months.

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Arbor Day is Friday, April 26, a good time to choose and plant a tree to commemorate the occasion.

The Michigan Forestry and Park Association Inc Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture Inc gives the following advice about planting a tree correctly.

GARDEN SPOT



MARTY FIGLEY

■ Prepare the hole correctly. Dig it two to three times the width of the root ball, make the sides slant gradually outward. Don't dig deeper than root ball depth.

■ For bare root trees neatly cut away any broken or damaged roots. Soak them for a few hours prior to planting to allow them to absorb water.

■ Container grown trees should have the plastic or metal containers completely removed. Carefully cut through any circling roots. Remove the top half of pressed peat/paper containers.

Balled and burlapped trees should have all the ropes cut. Pull the burlap at least 1/3 of the way down, slit remaining burlap to encourage root growth. If a tree is in a wire basket, cut away the top of the basket.

■ Gently place the tree in the hole. Partially back fill with the soil from the hole. Water to settle the soil then finish back filling the hole. Stamp the soil gently, but don't step on the root ball.

■ Remove tags and labels.

■ Don't stake the tree unless it has a large crown or if the planting is on a site where wind or people may push it over. Stake for a maximum of one year.

■ Prune only damaged branches. Soak soil well making sure no air pockets form between roots. Be sure tree has plenty of water throughout the year. Wait until next year to fertilize.

■ Spread 2 to 3 inches of mulch over the planting area. Don't place it up against the trunk.

For additional information on planting and other tree care topics, contact the MFPA at (517) 482-5530. Or e-mail ahsbyann@acd.net, or visit the Web site at <http://forestry.msu.edu/mfpa/index.htm>.

Roses

Now that the tree is planted, you can zero in on another chore that should be done this month.

George Hartley (The Buckeye Roseman), the Great Lakes District director of the American Rose Society, shares the following advice about spring rose care.

With the fickle weather of April, Hartley advises it's best to be sure the roses won't suffer damage from a cold spell, so don't be in a hurry to remove the mulch and prune. Prune when you unhill the plants.

Start by going through your entire garden and cut out all the canes that show signs of winter damage or dieback. Also remove all twiggy growth smaller in diameter than a lead pencil. This will allow more space to get in around the bush for later chores.

"When leaf buds are about a quarter of an inch and temperatures don't go below 30 degrees is the time to go back and do your real pruning - note I didn't say 'final pruning' since pruning is done all through the growing season," Hartley said.

In your April pruning, always cut the canes back to a point where the center of the pith is a good, neat, white or light cream color. This healthy wood contains the carbohydrates of the bush, or the "building blocks" of the plants.

When pruning back to white healthy wood it might be necessary to cut back to a bud union or within a few inches.

After you've cut back to healthy wood, make a final slanting cut about 1/4 inch above the uppermost good healthy leaf bud or eye. Seal the open ends with orange shellac or Elmer's glue, which aids healing and keeps out the cane borer insects.

Apply your first application of fertilizer now and be sure to water the beds the day before fertilizing.

GOODGARDEN TIP

There are just a few more days to have your soil tested through Michigan State University, in cooperation with Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority and Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority.

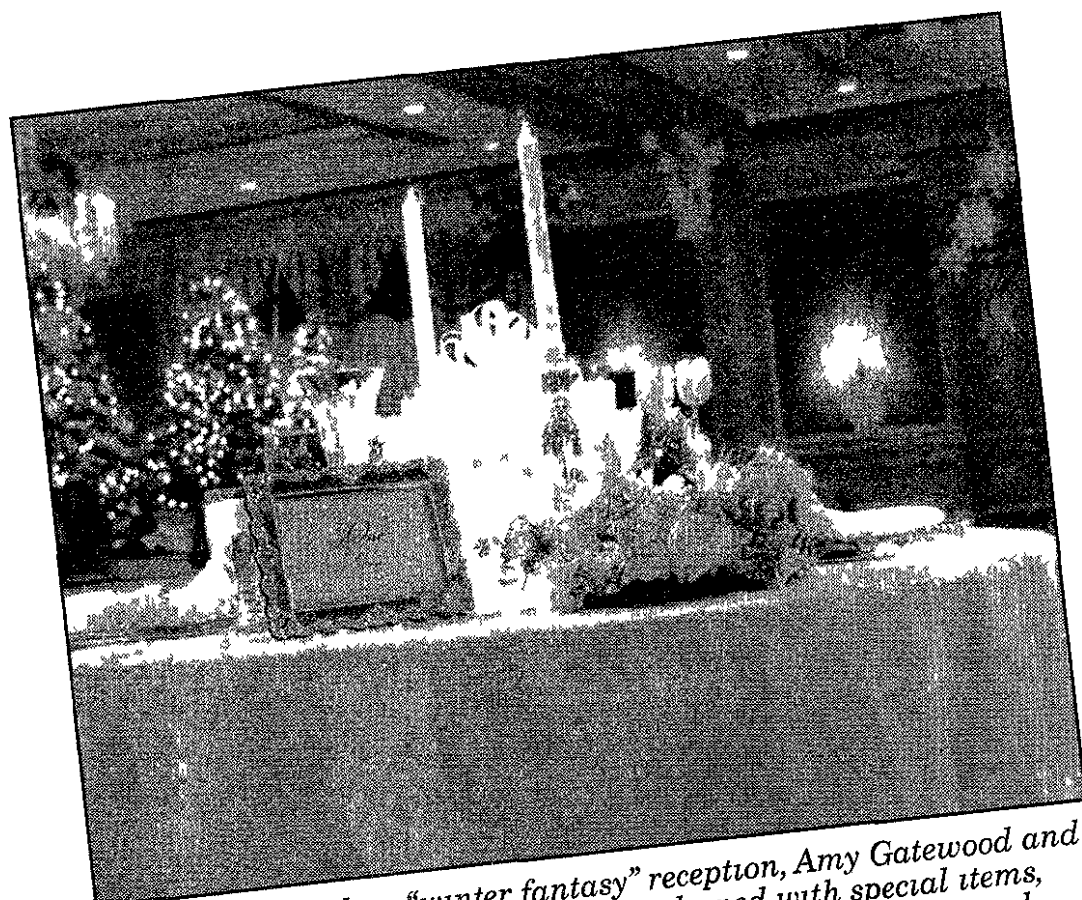
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A winter fantasy: The sparkling table settings were just part of this glittery, snowy winter fantasy reception at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn, planned by wedding planner Carolyn Hefner of Birmingham.

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Table decor adds sparkle, personal style to wedding receptions



Spectacular: At their "winter fantasy" reception, Amy Gatewood and Kyle Buckle sat at a two-person table adorned with special items, including two silver antique candlesticks from the bride's grandmother, and "table number one" displayed in an ornate silver frame.

By Sandie Parrott ♦ Special Writer

The wedding reception is the first and most important party the married couple will host and it is meant to impress and tell everyone who you are," states wedding planner Carolyn Hefner, of the China Closet in Birmingham. "Table settings are part of the 'wow' as guests enter the wedding reception, but they need to be more than just eye candy. Table settings should be beautiful, functional and help make guests feel very special. They are what I call tablescapes, or landscapes of color, flowers and decorations on a table."

According to Hefner the invitation sets the style whether formal or casual. The style can then be translated into a tablescape that complements the party.

A winter fantasy

A spectacular wedding Hefner recently planned at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn for Amy Gatewood and Kyle Buckle had the overall vision of a winter fantasy. She personally designed the invitations first, then searched for decorations, colors, flowers and lights that would convey the feeling of a glittery, snowy winter fantasy. Imagine faux snow and ivory rose petals on a dais with the bride and groom seated in the center of the room at a small two-person table with a snowy path leading to their place of honor. Dendrobium orchids dangled from the ceiling over the table.

like snowflakes poised in the air.

On the table was a duplicate of the top layer of their cake made to look like a present and two silver antique candlesticks from the bride's grandmother. The two taper candles were the only ones used in the room. There was also a butter mold in the shape of a Calla Lily and "table number one" was displayed in an ornate tiny silver frame.

Picture it

Karen Copus, a wedding and party planner, artist and antique dealer located in Lathrup Village suggests brides-to-be cut out pictures of settings, colors and ideas that they like. This helps her understand their style preferences. Even though the pictures may have dissimilar ideas, they convey a consistent tone of formal or casual, tradi-

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How to find, and work with a contractor

ASK DAD



HARRY JACYM

It would be nice if finding a contractor was as easy as opening the Yellow Pages. Unfortunately it isn't. I've found word of mouth is the usually the best way to find a contractor. Ask friends, family or coworkers to recommend contractors who've done work for them.

An important question to ask is - would you have them do work on your home again?

It's definitely best to get at least three quotes for any project. You'll find that there may be vast price differences between builders for the same job. Don't be afraid to ask for an explanation of these differences. The cheapest (or most expensive) contractors are not neces-

sarily the best choice. Don't forget to get and verify references.

Look at the license

Ask to see a copy of the copy of the contractor's license and their certificates of insurance before making your final selection. A home owner is responsible for payment to subcontractors or vendors who were not paid by the contractor. Licensed contractors in Michigan pay into the construction lien recovery fund. This money is used to compensate the homeowner who has a lien put on their property by an unpaid subcontractor or supplier. Further, you can be held responsible for an injured

employee or damage to a neighbor's property if the contractor doesn't have proper protection.

Be leery of contractors who solicit door to door, accept only cash payment, require all the money up front, asks you to get the permits, suggests you borrow money from a lender they know, pressures you for an immediate decision, has no permanent street address or phone number.

Most important, don't sign on with any one you are not entirely comfortable with. You have the right to get out of a contract within three business days, but money paid up front

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tonal or free spirited

The details are what counts. There are several elements to plan for table settings such as linens, flowers, favors, crystal, china, candles and functional items like table numbers and butter.

Hefner likes to use favors that are some form of monogrammed crystal. The crystal adds to the glitter of the place setting and presents a nice keepsake. Copus once used an antique lace bedspread as a tablecloth. Elements such as these turn a traditional wedding into a beautiful fantasy.

Most reception facilities will work with the couple to plan personalized table settings. At Laurel Manor in Livonia, a number of items are available with which to adorn tables, said Maria Davison, sales representative. Among them are hurricane lamps, votive candles, bud vases, fish bowls, and floating candles.

"It's pretty traditional," she said of what is available, adding the family owned business would "absolutely" work with couples in making their own fantasy tables for their big day.

The element of surprise that brings us back to our childhood imaginings is an important component in a successful event, says Hefner. Her goal at the Ritz wedding was to have guest faces shining with wonder as they gazed at the snowy path leading to the bride and groom's table prominently lit and displayed above the rest of the tables.

Table with a view

The view from the table can also be a fantasy. Infinity Yacht Charters of St. Clair Shores offers on board receptions that include a sightseeing tour. The 100-foot luxury yacht can handle

If you are planning a wedding:

Wedding and Event Planners

Carolyn Hefner, The China Closet, Birmingham at www.thechinacloset.com or (248)258-6480

Karen Copus, Lathrup Village and Oddfellows Antique Shop at (248)559-0087

Jackie Carden of Infinity Yacht Charters at (734)699-4100

Laurel Manor, Livonia at (734)462-0770

Photography

S. Kay Young, Photography in Madison Heights at (313)664-7657

D. and L. Photography at (248)624-9483

Florists

Tiffany Florist, Tim Robinson and Bob Kupfer in Birmingham at (248)646-0333

Jerry Litwin of State Flowers in Southfield at (248)559-5424

a party of up to 150 persons and lives up to its slogan "The possibilities are endless." The captain can also perform the marriage ceremony while the vessel is underway, according to event director Jackie Carden.

Imagine gently cruising downriver toward the Ambassador Bridge with your guests enjoying the entertainment, view and dining all in one fabulous place. Jackie said the decorations tend to be simple and elegant because the shiny teak surfaces and the view provide a wonderful setting.

Trends

A current trend is to have a separate bride and groom table

instead of traditional wedding party tables. This allows the wedding party to be seated with their family or friends.

Lighting has expanded to several levels including uplighting, twinkle lights, chandeliers, candle and floor accents. Candles are placed in glass holders, and votive cups. Mechanical candles are used to reduce the chance of fire or candle wax running. Linens and flower arrangements.

The glitter of silver is more popular right now than the heavier gold. Silver is also more available and usually less expensive.

Balloons are losing favor, especially for high end weddings.

according to Jerry Litwin, of State Flowers in Southfield. They are difficult to keep inflated and guests invariably like to "pop" them.

Purple hues are very popular along with traditional blue which remains a long time favorite. Litwin cautions there are very few true blue flowers except maybe hydrangeas. Colors close to blue like periwinkle can be used along with white and silver as an accent.

Colors also depend on the season, according to Copus. Jewel tones such as deeper purple, teal and wine are popular for the colder months with white, creams and pastels for summer. Jewel tones also complement a Moroccan or gypsy look that is becoming popular.

Carden said tropical colors and flowers are sought for the yacht charters as a bright contrast to the elegant surroundings.

Copus also believes that anything with a reflective quality - she favors antique cut glass containers, vintage silver, water, ice, candles, mirrors - add elegance to table arrangements. She claims there can never be too much sparkle for a wedding.

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The program ends Sunday, April 21. Cost is \$12 per sample. Locations are Damman Hardware, metropolitan locations, English Gardens, all metropolitan locations, Four Seasons Garden Center, Oak Park, Maskill True Value Hardware, Birmingham, Telly's Greenhouse and Garden Center, Troy, and Uncle Luke's

Feed Store, Troy. For more information, call (48) 855 8090, or call the store directly.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953 2040 on a touch tone phone. Her fax number is (248) 644 1314.

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could be difficult to recover. Be certain to get everything in writing and keep a copy.

Reserve final payment

Limit down payments. Don't make the final payment until you are completely satisfied, and reasonably certain the subcontractors and suppliers have been paid.

Your first step to resolve a problem is with the contractor and before final payment is made. Local building departments may be able to help settle workmanship or code questions.

Remember, a large project usually means there will be strangers in and out of your home, disrupting your life for some time. Do your best to be as cooperative with the workers as

you expect them to be to you. The more positive attitude you keep during this stressful time the better everyone's life will be.

Harry Jachym, a licensed builder, teaches construction trades to high school students and is the general contractor for Habitat for Humanity, Western Wayne County. Since we all seem to ask our fathers for repair or remodeling advice, Jachym writes "Ask Dad," a column on home issues ranging

from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident. Send any questions or comments to Harry at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Susan Stenmuller, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, 48009.

DESIGN CALENDAR

For the birds

A birdhouse contest and auction featuring ornithic estates designed and constructed by local students, individuals and businesses, is being featured at the 2002 Home and Garden Show at the Somerset Collection, 2800 West Big Beaver Road, Troy.

The birdhouse display starts April 20, and will run until May 12.

The fledgling event is co-sponsored by Somerset Collection and Dominick Tringali Architects in Bloomfield Hills.

The houses will be auctioned, with proceeds from contest entry fees and auction to be donated to the Detroit Zoological Society.

Floral Centerpiece

Create your own Spring Floral Centerpiece in a beautiful open wire watering can that is "stuffed" with moss and filled with fresh flowers and blooming branches. You will not only learn several basic floral design techniques but will also take home a lovely finished arrangement! This is a wonderful decoration for a shower or spring party. This workshop will be held 7:30-9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 25, at The Community House, 380 South Bates in Birmingham. The instructor is Jacqueline Carney of Paterson Jarney Florist. Bring scissors and pruners. Cost of the class is \$15. For questions or to register call The Community House at (248)644 5832.

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Perennials are non woody plants that live two or more years. Most perennials die back to ground level in late autumn. Perennials are the focus of a garden. When you plant perennials you can create a colorful succession of blooms throughout your yard. Perennials come in a wide range of colors, shapes, heights and textures.

Light and soil matter

Keep in mind what kind of light the plant requires, how big it will get, when it blooms and what color it is. Most perennials require a fertile loam soil that has good drainage. When you plant your perennials you should clear the planting site of all weeds. Adding some peat humus and composted cow manure is very beneficial.

Easy to maintain

Perennial gardens can be low maintenance. But keep in mind that the design of your garden will determine the amount of maintenance you have. Large perennial gardens need a lot more maintenance. Keep the beds narrow enough so you can reach all of the plants. When you are finished planting use mulch. Mulch will prevent weeds and keep plants moist. With a little planning your perennial garden can look like it just naturally happens.

Greenmead, Livonia's Historic Village, will present its 13th annual Garden Walk Saturday, June 29.

opened

Here are some easy care perennials - Purple cone flower, coreopsis yarrow, rudbeckia, lavender, shasta daisy, hollyhocks, lamb's ear, columbine, hosta, veronica, poppies, fox glove and astilbe.

Mark your calendar

The Friends for the Development of Greenmead, Livonia's Historic Village, will present its 13th annual Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 29.

Seven gardens and homes located throughout Livonia will be available for viewing. Tickets are \$9 per person in advance, \$10 per person on day of event. Tickets available at the Livonia Civic Center Library Gift Shop, Greenmead and the Department of Community Resources on the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall. Call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855 for information. Event proceeds benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village.

Julie Ann Leigebler is a Certified Master Gardener in Wayne County. She welcomes your gardening questions. Send mail to her attention to Keely Kaleski Wygonik, Assistant Managing Editor features Observer & Eccentric Newsletters 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150. Or e-mail hwuygonik@ehomecomm.net

Classes at gardening school range from weeds to seeds

There is still time to register for April classes at the Michigan School of Gardening. Classes are held in Detroit, Livonia, and Pontiac.

Class locations are Livonia 29429 Six Mile Road, just west of Middlebelt Road on the south side of Six Mile, across from Jimmy's Rustics in the Milo Shopping Plaza (248-4-GARDEN). Detroit The Historic Detroit Garden Center (Moross House) 1460 E. Jefferson Avenue, 1/2 mile east of the Renaissance Center (across from the Greening of Detroit park).

Pontiac Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road, just south of M 59, north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph Road.

To register for classes, complete a registration form and mail it in along with a check for the registration fee. Download a registration form and a copy of the class schedule at www.michigangardening.com, or call 248-4 GARDEN (442-7336) for a class schedule and registration form.

Upcoming classes and descriptions are:

FOCUS ON DESIGN

Instructor Janet Macunovich. An in-depth look at the elements of garden and landscape design - site analysis, making a base plan, texture, color, shape, line, focal point, harmony, contrast and repetition. How gardeners can use these elements to improve existing plantings and evaluate proposed designs. Pre-requisite: None. Registration fee: \$124. Pontiac nights 4 Thursdays 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. April 18 and 25 and May 2 and 9.

RENOVATING A GARDEN

Instructor Gail Dudzinski. Most gardeners inherit at least one previously planted area. This class teaches how to make changes there to express yourself while maintaining unity between new and old. What to keep, how to visualize changes, designing around



existing features, transplanting and soil improvement techniques, tips toward phasing in the changes, and suggested plants are all covered.

Pre-requisite: None. Registration fee: \$62. Pontiac, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday April 20 (bring your lunch and dress to garden).

CHOOSING & USING ANNUALS & PERENNIALS

Instructor Sue Grubba. Identification, use and culture of 50 annual and perennial species for residential landscapes. Practice identifying and researching additional species. Pre-requisite: Ins and Outs of Plants or equivalent experience. Registration fee: \$152. Pontiac 4 Tuesdays 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., April 23 and 30 and May 7, 14, and 1 Saturday 9 a.m. to noon May 11.

ORNAMENTAL GRASSES

Instructor Sue Grubba. Ornamental grasses are fast becoming favorite additions to the home garden. Not only are they easy to grow and maintain, but they are beautiful and versatile as well. Learn how to transform your landscape with ornamental grasses. 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday April 27.

APRIL CLASSES IN BIRMINGHAM

The Michigan School of Gardening also offers specialty and just for fun classes at The Community House 380 South Bates Street, in Birmingham. To register for these classes or for more information, please contact the Birmingham Community House at (248) 644-5832.

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ing is dedicated to providing high quality learning opportunities in gardening, design and horticulture for the adult learner.

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The classes range from the most basic to the very specialized and are useful to beginning gardeners, home gardeners, Master Gardeners and Advanced Master Gardeners, as well as professional gardeners and landscapers.

The School's highly regarded professional team serve as instructors for many of the courses and regional and national experts are invited to teach specialty classes and serve as guest experts.

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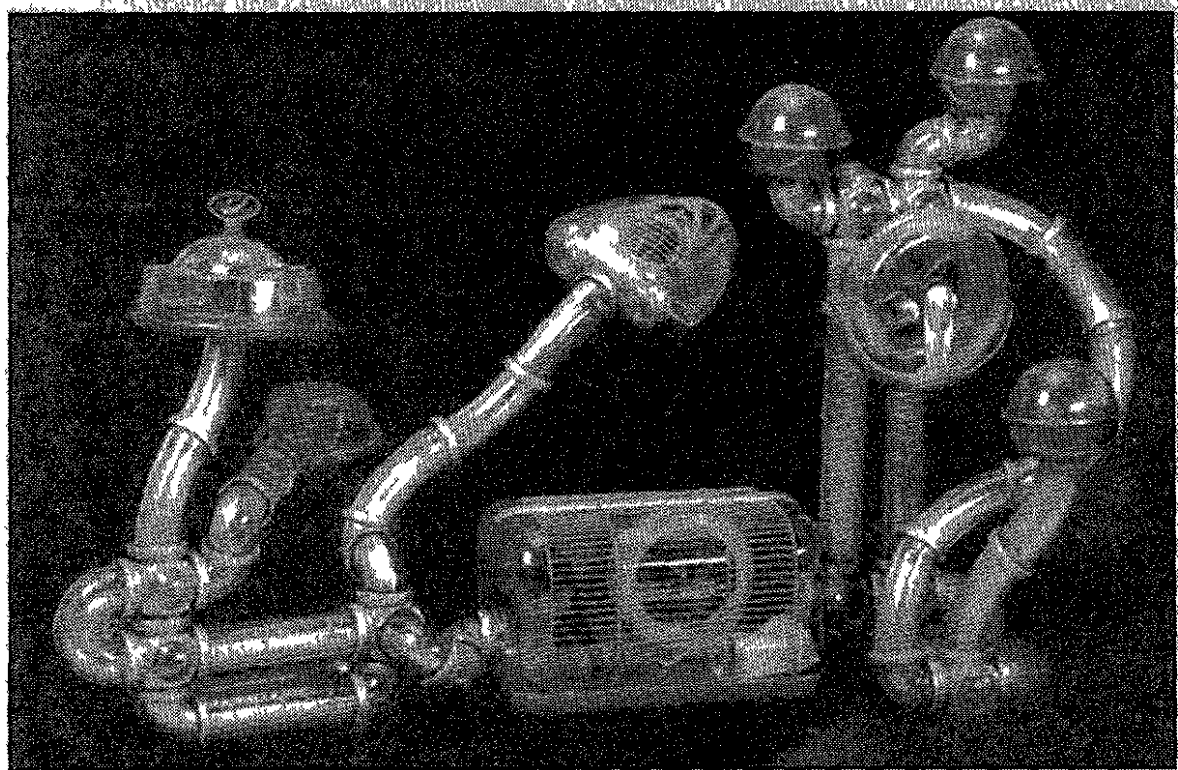
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Marketplace



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GARDEN CALENDAR

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IRIS CLUB OF MICHIGAN

The Iris Club of Michigan will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 18, at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais, Royal Oak, three blocks east of Crooks Road and three blocks north of 13 Mile Road. The topic: Gardening Hints and Ideas. Share your energy, money, and timesaving gardening ideas, hints, or products with fellow gardeners in this fun round robin of garden inspiration. Moderator is Lynn Husk. The meeting is free and open to public. For information call Ann at (248) 280-0848.

Other upcoming events: 12-20-4 p.m. Saturday, June 1: Iris show, Royal Oak Senior Community Center, June 29, all day bus tour, Ensata Gardens, Galesburg, and Japanese Iris Show, Kalamazoo. Reservations needed.

SUGUARO NURSERY AND GARDENS
Suguro Nursery and Gardens, 470 West Five Mile Road, Whitmore Lake, offers a series of free lectures and garden walks on Sunday afternoons at the nursery. They begin at 1 p.m., last about an hour, and include a 10 percent discount on any plant discussed in the lectures. Lectures are given by various garden experts, no reservations are necessary.

On April 21, Mike Appel, Native Plant Nursery, will discuss "Native Plants in the Home Landscape." On April 28, Richard Tuttle, Suguro Nursery & Gardens owner, takes a "Spring Ephemeral Wildflowers," garden walk.

MICHIGAN ORCHID SOCIETY
Meets 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 21, at the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, 300 Willits Road,

Birmingham. The meeting is free and open to the public. You'll be able to learn more about orchids. There will also be plants for raffle. At this meeting, the society presents Dana Harrison from Orchids by Hausermann out of Illinois, who will speak on "How to Have Orchids in Bloom Twelve Months a Year." He'll also have plants available for sale.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN WORKSHOP
Sponsored by the Hardy Plant Society, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 20 in Troy. Dr. Robert Schuttki, an associate professor at Michigan State University, will discuss plant selection and installation. To participate, make check for \$20, payable to the Hardy Plant Society, and send to 323 E. Lovell Drive, Troy, 48065. For more information e-mail hardyplantsociety@comcast.net or call (248) 879-2310.

CLARENCEVILLE COMMUNITY EDUCATION

"Fun in the Flower Garden" will be 7-10 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, in Room 106 at Clarenceville High School. Taught by Margot McCormack, advanced master gardener. \$15 tuition. Learn what and when to plant instant color annuals or long term effect perennials. Registration details, (248) 473-8933.

AFRICAN VIOLET SHOW
Michigan's only African Violet Club will hold its first Flower Display and Sale from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 27, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 28, at Oxford Public Library, 530 Pontiac Road, Oxford. Healthy African violets in bloom and other Gesneriad plants will be accepted for entry in a special guest class from 3-5 p.m. Friday, April 26, and 10-11 a.m. Saturday, April 27. For information, call Chris Leppard, (248) 693-2415.

Stamp enthusiasts to gather this Saturday in Plymouth

BY KEELY KALESKI WYGONIK
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Stamp collectors are generous people. If you give them something, they'll give you something back. At a recent West Suburban Stamp Club Meeting a young girl gave Charles Vomastek a

stamp with a dragon on it from China.

"What do I owe you for it?" he asked. "Nothing," the girl said. "I know you collect China."

She collects birds, and has a surprise coming from her friend. "People who collect stamps are good quality people," said Vomastek

who lives in Livonia and has been collecting stamps all his life.

He'll be one of the people participating in Michigan's largest stamp show, the 33rd annual APS-World Series of Philately, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, April 27 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday,

April 28, at Plymouth Central Middle School, Church Street at Main Street in downtown Plymouth. There is no admission charge.

The show, sponsored by the West Suburban Stamp Club, draws collectors from Canada

and nearby states, including Ohio, Illinois and New York. It also features 40 dealers from all over the United States and Canada. Collectors will compete for prizes and display their collections.

Every stamp has a story. "Peo

ple collect stamps on any topic you can imagine," said Vomastek whose interest in Chinese stamps began when he visited the country. "We'll have a table for kids too."

He remembers the day the bomb fell on Pearl Harbor. "I was at my grandmother's house soaking stamps off envelopes for my collection."

If you'd like to learn more about stamp collecting, plan to attend the West Suburban Stamp Club's next meeting, 7 p.m. Friday, April 19 at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main Street in downtown Plymouth. Wayne Sapulski of Livonia, author of *Lighthouses of Lake Michigan, Past and Present*, is the guest speaker.

The club has over 200 members, 40-50 come to each meeting. Members range in age from kids who are dropped off by their parents to longtime collectors like Vomastek. Meetings are held at the museum on the first and third Friday of the month. For more information visit the Web site <http://people.mw.mediaone.net/pnjstamps/wssc.htm>

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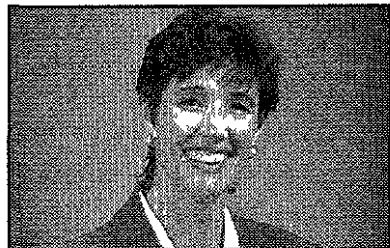
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Thursday, April 18, 2002

COMMON SENSE



JACQUE MARTIN-DOWNS

Supporting 'the gift of life' is easier with this organization

There is no doubt that the people of the United States have been jolted out of their complacency since 9-11. One of the "cool" outcomes has been resurgence in volunteerism. From the senior citizens who stuff envelopes, to the folks who volunteer their time as tutors, the outpouring of these free gifts has been heartwarming.

Recently I learned of another way a person could give something of themselves without ever having to put forth much effort. You have probably heard of it but thought little about how you could help. The opportunity comes from an organization called The Gift of Life. They serve as a clearing-house for those who would like to donate, upon their death, vital organs to a person who will die if they do not receive an organ or tissue.

There are more than 75 patients in Michigan who are currently on the waiting list for a new heart. Ron Hawkins of Canton remembers back to 1988 when he was on the heart transplant list. An athletic guy, who played basketball, tennis and golf, was one who worked hard and played hard. This father of two was terrified that his life was going to be cut short when he was struck down with a heart attack at 39. After a series of procedures which included a pace maker, Ron learned that there were no more options for him except to get a new heart.

Those who may say that they are too old to contribute an organ may be just the right candidates to provide a person in their age group with an organ.

He knew his age was in his favor. He remembers walking into the hospital while other patients were walking out in tears. They learned that because they were 62 years old, two years older than the cut off for heart transplants, they would not be eligible for the recipient list. Since that time, some of the hospitals have changed that policy by matching older organs to older people. Because of that change, those who may say that they are too old to contribute an organ may be just the right candidates to provide a person in their age group with an organ.

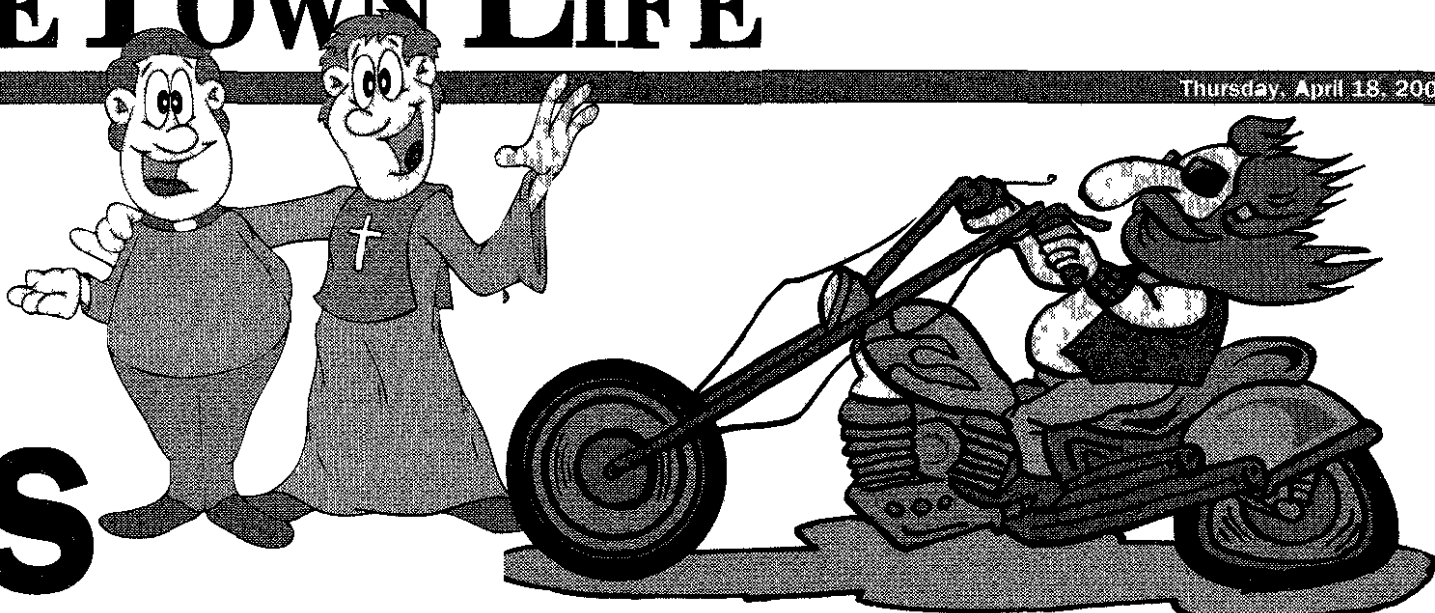
There are 436 liver, 1,789 kidney and 96 lung patients awaiting a new organ. During April, Hawkins and other transplants will be volunteering at each Secretary of State office in Michigan to remind license renewal patrons they merely need to sign their name on the bottom of their driver's license to become a potential donor, if they were to die. Otherwise, the contract is null and void. The family has the final right of refusal.

The Gift of Life motto goes like this: Give my sight to the man who has never seen a sunrise, a baby's face or love in the eyes of a woman. Give my heart to a person whose own heart has caused nothing but endless days of pain. Give my blood to the teen-ager who was pulled from the wreckage of his car, so that he may live to see his grandchildren play. Give my kidneys to one who depends on a machine to exist from week to week. Take my bones, every muscle, every fiber and nerve in my body and find a way to make a crippled child walk.

Yes, we are lucky to live in a country that provides so much. And we are fortunate, too, that there are people out there who give of themselves. You can be one of those people. Call (800) 482-4881 to learn more about becoming a donor. One person can potentially save the life of five people. Now that's a contribution!

Jacquie Martin Downs is a licensed therapist and director of the Family Resource Center in Wayne Westland. She writes about behavior issues for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

God bless the motorcycles!



BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
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Why go Hell when you can come to St. Kenneth's? In years past, motorcyclists who wanted their bikes blessed would have to ride to Hell, Mich., every May for the Harley-Davidson annual blessing of the bikes. Not any more, dude.

At 11 a.m. Saturday, April 20, the Rev. Joe Mallia of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth will conduct a "Blessing of the Bikes" ceremony in the church parking lot. The blessing is guaranteed for a one safe riding season — unless voided by a reckless rider.

"It gives me comfort knowing that my husband's bike has been blessed," said Annette McClellan, St. Kenneth's parish secretary. "It may be a Catholic thing, but we still have young kids, and I just feel better if he's been blessed."

McClellan's husband, Marty, got his Yamaha Virago four years ago when he turned 40. Admittedly, the bike may have been part of a mid-life crisis, but then there were those lingering memories of that '66 Norton he owned when he was 18.

"At that time it was a novel bike," he said of the Norton. "I had it three years. I wish I never sold it. It would be a collector's item."

Ready to ride

The idea for the Blessing of the Bikes at St. Kenneth came from two parishioners: Marty McClellan and Kerri Sarb, who sometimes rides behind her husband, Dan, on his Harley-Dyna-Super Glide.

Marty told Mallia, St. Kenneth's pastor, about the blessing in Hell. "At the time, it was the only bike blessing I knew about," he said. "I was interested in the whole concept of the blessing of the bikes. It wasn't that 'Hell' drove me to it. In fact, I was uncomfortable with the whole Hell theme."

Mallia told Marty it was his intention, not the destination, that mattered most in obtaining the blessing.

Kerri convinced Mallia that a St. Kenneth version of the bike blessing would be cool. Besides, Dan was always too busy working at their restaurant, Harvey's Old Village Deli in Plymouth, to go to Hell, she said. (Sorry readers, no pun intended.)

Mallia had a quick reply: "You organize it and I'll be there."

"We have a simple rule at St. Kenneth," said Mallia. "If people come up with an idea that's good, we'll respond to it in a way that is healthy. Every aspect of people's lives is important."



Biker family: Kerri Sarb often sits beside her husband, Dan, when they head out on their Harley. Their dog, Mattie, who has her own leather Harley cap, longs for a ride. Unfortunately her legs are too short for the pedals.

Celebrating that in the context of faith is important and if that includes riding bikes great.

Marty knows that bikers are a hungry bunch, so he's planning to sell doughnuts and coffee at Saturday's event with proceeds going to a local charity. After all, a blessing may have some spiritual calories, but it won't fill hungry stomachs. Next year he'll go big time and serve pancakes and sausage just like they do in Hell.

Meanwhile, he's busy making helmet stickers with a picture of a bike, St. Kenneth's name and the words "I've been blessed." Bikers like to mark special events and rides with official stickers, he said. Next year, who knows? Besides stickers, there may be T-shirts and water bottles.

No easy rider

Even though her husband's bike will be blessed, Annette McClellan

doesn't plan to ride into the wild blue yonder with him. She's no biker babe.

"Heck no, not me!" she said. "I've been on the bike twice. I just feel nervous. I feel like I'm standing in the street."

However, if she isn't going to ride, she and Kerri are determined that Mallia does. They've been kidding him for weeks about getting on the back seat of a big Harley driven by a beautiful blonde.

"But she has to be married or we won't let him do it," said Annette.

Mallia said he might hitch a short ride with Marty or Dan if asked, "depending on the weather. Fortunately — or unfortunately — the weather report predicts blue skies and balmy breezes for Saturday Vroom, vroom, Mallia."

"Whether he likes it or not, we're going to get a picture of him on a bike. I'm going to have it blown up and put in the church bulletin," said Kerri.

For more information on the Blessing of the Bikes, call St. Kenneth Catholic Church at (734) 420-0288.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Reving up: The Rev. Joe Mallia, pastor of St. Kenneth might take a ride on this Yamaha Virago, borrowed from a parishioner.

Seniors' paintings interpret the great masters

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
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They call themselves copiers, but the accurate term for the senior student artists in Carl Angevine's art class at the Redford Community Center is "interpreters." Their brushes give a personal spin to photographs, calendar and magazine pictures, even to masters like Vincent Van Gogh.

"It's kind of fun, the interpretations everybody does," said Kitty Flynn, who works in acrylics and is a fan of Van Gogh.

"I don't know why I like him. There's something about his colors and his lines. They're all curves and his paintings are vibrant and his skies are wild. I like the bright colors."

It wasn't difficult to miss Flynn's paintings at the "Senior Students of Mr. Carl Angevine" art exhibit at the Redford Township Library last weekend, the second year for the event. The shimmering blues and yellows in Flynn's landscapes were a compliment to Van Gogh. In fact, all the paintings on display for three days — a colorful collection of oils, acrylics and water colors — made the library's interior as vibrant as the outdoors.

Unlike many of his fellow students, Barney Marnon's paintings are original compositions. He paints from his own photographs. Two of the paintings he entered in the exhibit, which was judged by the viewing public, won awards.

Marnon's first-place harbor scene presents its

objects so large and up close the viewer could step right onto the dock. The painting took Marnon months to complete and the dock required several inches to get just the right sheer.

Marnon is still getting used to his new identity as an artist. He was surprised so many people at the exhibit wanted to talk to him about his paintings. Until he retired from General Motors eight years ago, he didn't even have time to paint.

"I always wanted to paint, but I had too many kids, five daughters and one son. Now I try to paint a little bit every day. If I'm watching television I keep a sketchbook handy."

As an artist, Shehrebanoo Moiz of Redford likes challenges. A week before the exhibition she was putting the finishing touches on a Japanese-style still life of a black vase with orchids and magnolias. Its background is a soft mottling of deep gray, green and black. She copied the painting from a calendar.

"I felt the background and object were so 'close.' I thought it would be a challenge if I could achieve that," she said.

Moiz, who has been painting almost six years, still ponders the gift of creativity.

"All the time I had the feeling, 'Could the hands paint what the eyes see?' God has given everyone the same brain, but everyone interprets differently what



STAFF PHOTO BY JIM JAGDFELD

Interpreting: Student Shehrebanoo Moiz of Redford accentuates a flower on her still life. Moiz, a student in Carl Angevine's art class at the Redford Community Center, interpreted her painting from a calendar.

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

WILSON-BECK

Gary and Julie Wilson of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Christina Nicole, to Eric Robert Beck, son of Robert Beck of Clinton Township and Karen Beck of Sterling Heights

Christina is a 1996 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 2000 graduate of Miami University with a degree in marketing. She is currently employed as an account manager at Chrysler Financial in Troy

Eric is a 1996 graduate of St Clair High School and a 2000 graduate of Central Michigan University with a degree in finance. He is currently employed as a grant manager at



Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. A June 15, 2002 wedding is planned at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth

MUNZENBERGER-GOLDMAN

Dr Paul and Phyllis Munzenberger of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Carolyn Marie, to Mark Howard Goldman, son of Louis and Faye Goldman of Southfield

Carolyn is a 1991 graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School, and 1995 graduate of Michigan State University. She is currently employed as a customer service representative for Enterprise in Farmington Hills

Mark is a graduate of Birmingham Groves High School and Eastern Michigan University. He currently is employed as a pharmaceutical representative for Schering

A May 11, 2002 wedding is planned at Hotel Baronette in Novi



MORELLI-FLEMING

Carissa Ann Fleming and Mario M Morelli were married Sept 28, 2001 at The Shrine Our Lady of Orchard Lake, Orchard Lake

The bride is the daughter of Chester and Karen Fleming of Celina, Ohio. The groom's parents are Frank and Adele Morelli of Plymouth

Carissa is a graduate of Celina Senior High School in Celina, Ohio, and Bowling Green State University in Bowling Green, Ohio with a degree in secondary education. She is currently employed as an Administrative Assistant at Etkin Equities in Southfield

Mario is a graduate of Crestwood High School in Dearborn Heights and Henry Ford Community College. He is currently employed as a supervisor at Integrated Communications Services in Farmington Hills

The couple were wed Sept 28, 2001 at The Shrine - Our Lady of Orchard Lake, Orchard Lake, MI

The bride was attended by Maid of Honor, Gina Fleming, and bridesmaids, Rose DiGennaro, Christina Thibodeau, Jennifer Gemmer, Brenda Stein, and flower girl, Nicolette Thibodeau. Attendants for the



groom were Best Man, Ed Morelli, and groomsmen Henry Morelli, Mike Thibodeau, Mitchell Fleming, Gabriele DiGennaro, and ringbearer, Enrico Morelli. A reception was held at Shenandoah Country Club in West Bloomfield. The newlyweds honeymooned at Kaanapali Beach in Maui, Hawaii

MACI-CASH

Sam and Valerie Maci of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Jessica Marie, of Dearborn Heights to Mark Ryan Cash, son of Ron and Marcie Cash of Brighton

Jessica is a 1994 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of Eastern Michigan University with her bachelor's degree. She is currently employed with Murray's Auto-Corporate offices in the Human Resources division

Mark is a 1994 graduate of Brighton High School and is currently employed with Ameritech. A June 1, 2002 wedding is



planned at St Thomas a'Becket in Canton

PRITCHARD-MACKENZIE

William and Marianne Pritchard of Big Rapids announce the engagement of their daughter, Amber Joy Pritchard, to Donald Morrison Mackenzie, son of Angus and Lois MacKenzie of Livonia

Amber is a graduate of Big Rapids High School. She completed her bachelors degree at Western Michigan University and her masters degree at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. She is the Director of Annual Giving at Western Michigan University

Donald is a graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School. He completed his bachelor's and master's degrees at Eastern Michigan University and is pursuing his doctorate in education leadership at Western



Michigan University. He is a development officer for the Haworth College of Business at Western Michigan University

The couple are planning a May wedding

DANIELL-CHILDERS

Lanne and Sheila Daniell of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Lana Renee Daniell, of Westland to Randall Lucas Childers, son of Steve and Sue Childers of Redford

Lana is employed in sales, and her fiancée, Randall, is a finished carpenter

The couple plans a May wedding in Parkview Baptist Church in Livonia



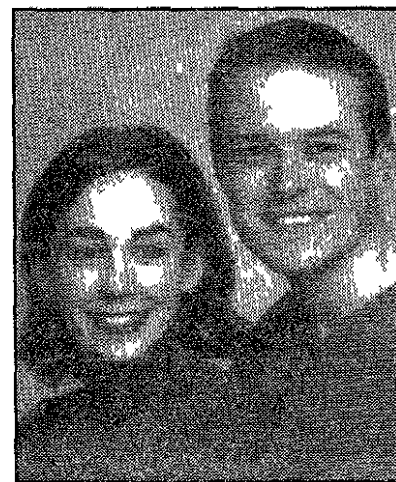
ANDRZEJEWski-WISELY

Dr David and Beverly Wisely of Northville announce the engagement of their daughter, Regan, to Michael Andrzejewski, son of Tim and Cheryl Andrzejewski of Canton

Regan is a 1993 graduate of Northville High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University. She is currently employed as a second grade teacher

Michael is a 1992 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University

He is currently employed in human resources at Blue Cross/Blue Shield



A June 2002 wedding is planned

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

50'S DANCE

Westside Singles will host a Fabulous 50's Dance 8 p m - 1 a m Friday, April 19, at Burton Manor in Livonia. Steve King & the Ditties will perform. Call (734) 981 0909

SINGLE MINGLES

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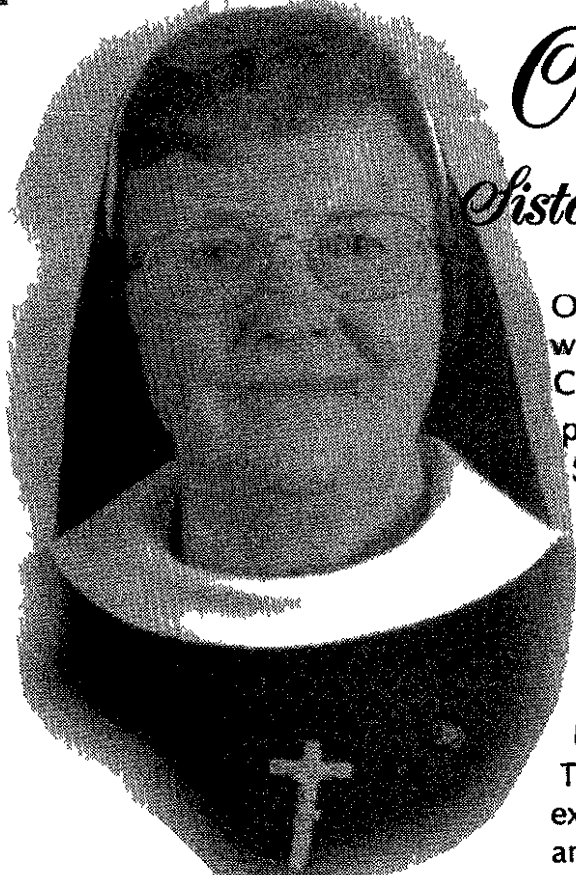
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**INAUGURAL DAY EVENTS
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MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers weekend experiences designed to help married couples improve communication and learn the value of intimacy, May 17-19 at the St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth. Registration fee is \$50 (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524

MUSIC AND TESTIMONY

Toby and Barb Waldowski will sing at 8:30 and 11 a.m. services Sunday, April 21, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 422-1470 for more information

ANNUAL BANQUET

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, a worldwide ministry to men in the Episcopal Church, will meet for a banquet, music by Albina Miller and a presentation by Ward Powers, author of *Voices in Verse*, 6 p.m. Friday, April 12, at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 16360 Hubbard, Livonia. Tickets are \$20 per person (734) 591-3067

RELIGION CLASSES

Faith Covenant Church in Farmington Hills hosts ALPHA, a series of classes that offer a practical introduction to the Christian faith. Classes run 6:30-9 p.m. Thursdays through May 2. Some of the topics to be discussed will be: Who is Jesus? Why did He die? Does God heal today? Dinner and child care will be provided. Call (248) 661-9191

CATHOLIC WOMEN

The Council of Catholic Women/Archdiocese of Detroit 2002 Annual Assembly runs from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Sunday, April 13, at Sacred Heart Seminary, Linwood and Chicago Boulevard, Detroit. Officers will be installed during mass, which starts at 9 a.m. Workshops are scheduled 10:30 a.m.-noon. Registration and luncheon is \$25 (313) 237-5896

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St. Paul's Presbyterian Church 27475 Five Mile, Livonia, holds weekly study sessions 1:30-2:30 p.m. Wednesdays for men and women over 65. The theme for April 17 is "Romans 10:1-17." (734) 422-1470

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Canton Christian Fellowship is a multi-ethnic church seeking individuals and families who are interested in helping a bible based, evangelical Christian church grow and meet the needs of the Canton community. We

Singles

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SINGLES WALK

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

WARD SINGLES

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

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LIGHTHOUSE CAFE

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currently have 11 families that make up our church and we can use more help! If you are interested in the adventures of a start up church in Canton, please call Pastor David Washington Jr at (734) 414-0856. Canton Christian Fellowship has been in existence for a year. The church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention of Michigan.

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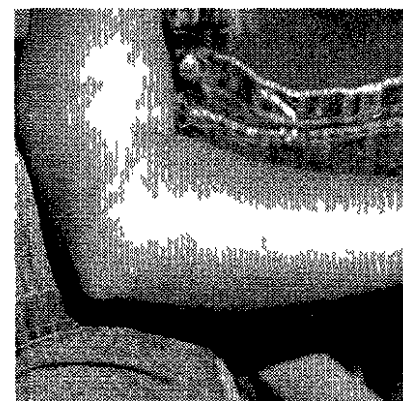
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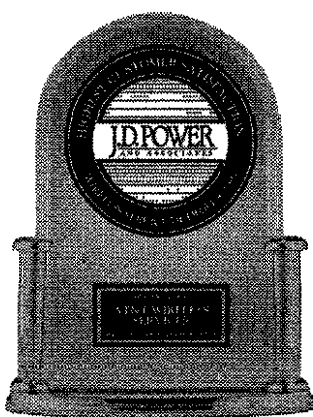
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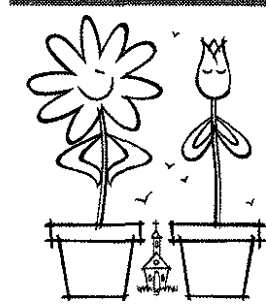
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The dictionary defines pride as proper and justified self respect and a proper sense of personal dignity and worth. Everyone should take pride in their work their family their country and heritage. It is also good to take pride in things such as our personal appearance. When we take pride in all of the good things that our Lord has given us we tend to take better care of them. However, we must be careful to have pride and self respect without arrogance or superiority. Children who are proud of their parents and respect them will try to be better children and do what is pleasing to their parents. As adults, we should always try to do what is pleasing in God's eyes. The Bible tells us that God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble (James 4:6). We should try to temper our pride with humility and not have an exaggerated opinion of our selves. The best way to be the best we can be. People who exalt themselves are usually esteemed less by others and those who humble themselves are often more admired.

...do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment
 N.I.V. Romans 12:13

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they see, hear and feel I feel very grateful that God has gifted me with this art"

Marc Wagner of Plymouth reserved a few hours of his Saturday afternoon to visit the exhibit with his girlfriend, Heather Milliken of Canton. Milliken's grandmother, Sophie Czarnik, had sev-

eral paintings in the exhibit. Voting for the best in-show was tough, he said.

"The landscapes are the ones that draw me the most," he said. "But I see a few impressionist ones I like."

Milliken was drawn to Marnon's harbor scene, but she loves her grandmother's paint-

ings. "I'm here to support my grandmother. I love art. I'm so proud of her," she said. "My grandmother has a whole room in her house filled with her paintings. She calls it her gallery. When I was little I'd always make her do my illustrations for book reports."

Teacher Carl Angevine has been teaching art for 21 years. At the Redford Community Center, he has as many as 25-30 students and as few as eight or nine.

"Sometimes they come in one time, and sometimes they come in and stay ages," he said.

Angevine has just one prerequisite for his class: "Desire."

"We don't care how well you paint, just that you want to try. Some students are more creative, while others are just happy copying a photo. Sometimes students paint from a family photograph. Sometimes they bring in a news paper from 25 years ago to copy. I never know what."

Many of Angevine's students are like Jean Byers of Plymouth, who started painting in 1963. She entered several paintings in the exhibit.

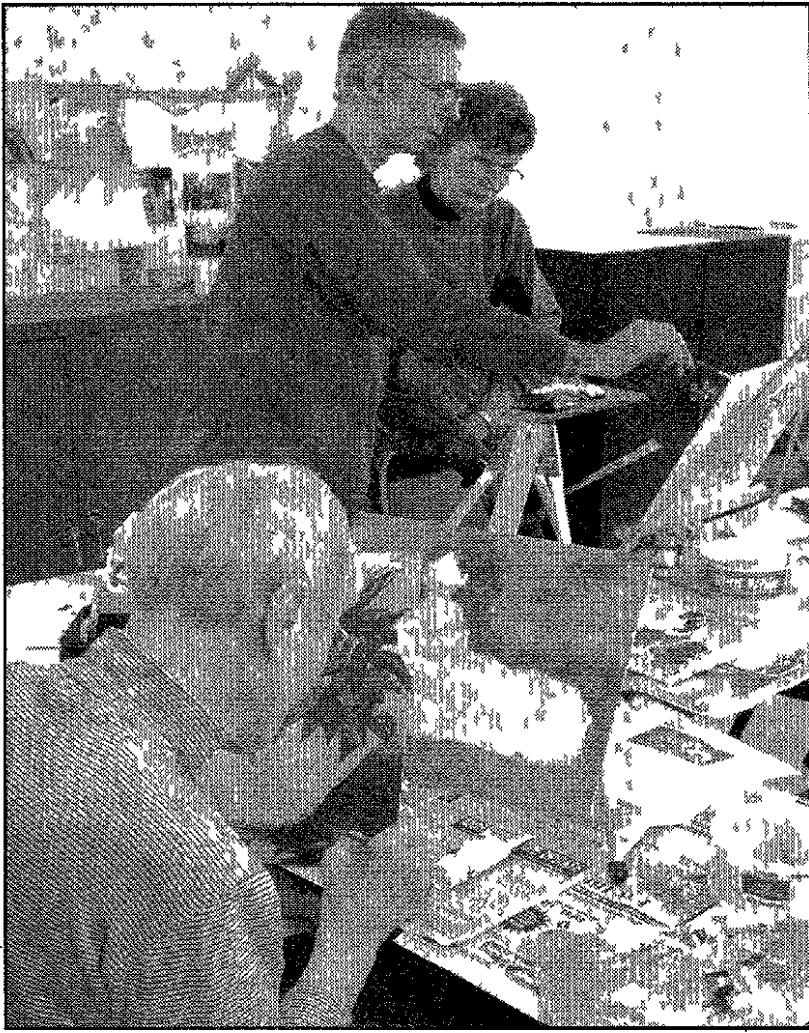
"I started at Thurston and found out I could do it. My cousin and I took a night course, and the pictures turned out," she said.

Marnon and Flynn chatted late Saturday afternoon as the last of the viewers trickled in to see the exhibit. As usual, they talked about Angevine's class.

"The class is so much fun," said Flynn. "Don't we have a good time?"

"Yes," said Marnon. "And there's no competition. No 'I'm better than you'."

"That's why we stay there," said Flynn.



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The right touch: June Janes signs a painting while in the background Joan Kazmierski gets some pointers from instructor Carl Angevine.



Artists: Members of Carl Angevine's art class gather around his painting, which was won by a Redford resident at the exhibit. Left to right: Shehrebanoo Moiz, Virginia Sherman, Kitty Flynn, Lucille Kaschefskey, Carl Angevine, June James, Jean Breyers, Sophie Czarnik, Tony Decesco, Joan Kazmierski, Barney Marnon, and Mary McKinley.

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For more information call
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 Ad placement: Entertainment Section

Summer camps are easy to find.

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CAMP CORNER

All deadlines for the Camp Corner will be on Friday before the Thursday Edition

Look for this corner to appear in the Sports Section every Thursday until July 18th!

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With a 1/4 million moms and dads reading the paper each week in Wayne and Oakland Counties, your business will have the opportunity to show them why they should trust you with their prize possession!

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 First Run Date: Sunday, May 12th
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What a great place to advertise your golf related business.

This special directory will allow you to reach 400,000 Observer & Eccentric customers. Look for this tab to be running throughout the spring, summer and fall on Thursdays.

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SAMPLE SIZES AND PRICES

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON - BOARD PROCEEDINGS - APRIL 9, 2002

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, April 9, 2002 at 1150 South Canton Road Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Members Present Bennett Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack
Members Absent None
Staff Present Director Conklin Director Durack, Director Machnik Director Minghine, Director Santomauro

Recommendation by Supervisor Yack to add a closed session at the end of the general calendar for purchase of property

Motion by Bennett, seconded by LaJoy to approve the agenda with the amendment to add a closed session at the end of the meeting for purpose of discussion of purchase of property Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the regular meeting minutes of March 26, 2002 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the special meeting minutes of March 27, 2002 Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Kirchgatter supported by McLaughlin to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried unanimously

April 9, 2002

Table with 4 columns: Item, Amount, Description, Total. Includes General Fund, Fire Fund, Police Fund, etc.

Consent Calendar

Item 1. Consider Second Reading for Cross Connection Ordinance for Public Water Supply

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to remove from table for publication and for second reading to adopt Ordinance No 154 Cross Connection Ordinance for Public Water Supply effective April 18, 2002 Motion carried unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE - CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE #154 - CROSS CONNECTIONS WITH PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH BY PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN PROHIBITIONS OF CROSS CONNECTIONS INTO THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN DEFINITIONS TO BE USED IN THIS ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN STATUTES ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND COUNTY HEALTH CODE RULES AS ENUMERATED ARE ADOPTED BY REFERENCE TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN INSPECTIONS TO PROVIDE FOR DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE TO A USER FOR PROPERTY WHICH IS SERVED BY A PROHIBITED CROSS CONNECTION TO PROVIDE FOR CORRECTIONS TO ELIMINATE CERTAIN PROHIBITED CROSS CONNECTIONS TO PROVIDE FOR LABELING OF ANY WATER OUTLET NOT SUPPLIED BY PUBLIC WATER OR APPROVED POTABLE SYSTEM AS "WATER UNSAFE FOR DRINKING", TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF FEES FOR INSPECTION REQUIRED BY THIS ORDINANCE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR THE REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCE, TO PROVIDE FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF THIS ORDINANCE AND THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING MATTERS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATED OF THIS ORDINANCE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS

SECTION 1 DEFINITIONS

This Section provides for sources of definitions of works contained in this Ordinance and defines "backflow", "safe air gap", "secondary water supply", "submerged inlet", "water utility" and "public water" or "public water supply"

SECTION 2 STATUTE AND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES ADOPTED BY REFERENCE

This Section provides that a connection with a public water supply system shall comply with the existing laws ordinances and rules as identified in Ordinance Section

SECTION 3 PROHIBITED CROSS CONNECTIONS

This Section prohibits certain identified cross connections with a public water supply

SECTION 4 INSPECTIONS

This Section provides for inspections to enforce this Ordinance requires cooperation of the owner lessee or occupant of property to provide information concerning the plumbing or piping systems in the property and provides as to the effect on the owner lessee or occupant for failure to provide entry on the property for inspection or failure to furnish information requested concerning the plumbing or piping system

SECTION 5 DISCONTINUATION OF SERVICE

This Section provides that the Charter Township of Canton Water and Sewer Department may discontinue water service to any customer, user or property served by or containing a prohibited cross connection Public water supply to such discontinued customer user or property shall not be restored until the authorized inspection agency shall certify a prohibited cross connection no longer exists and until all charges and fees of the public water supply and of the Authorized Inspection Agency have been fully paid

SECTION 6 CORRECTIONS

This Section provides for the procedures and requirements for a user of public water to follow in effecting a connection to satisfy the terms of this Ordinance

SECTION 7 UNSAFE WATER

This Section provides that any water outlet which could be used for potable water purposes and which is not supplied by public water or by an approved potable system shall be labeled in a conspicuous manner as "WATER UNSAFE FOR DRINKING" The owner, lessee or occupants of property upon which such a water outlet is located or any of them shall be individually responsible for creating and maintaining the presence of such label

SECTION 8 ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTARY TO OTHER CODES

This Section provides that this Ordinance does not supersede the State Plumbing Code and applicable Township Building Code and/or regulations but it supplementary to them

SECTION 9 FEES

This Section provides that the owner, lessee or occupant of property inspected for compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance or any of them shall pay to the Township a fee for such inspection in accordance with a Schedule of Fees as may from time to time be adopted by resolution of the Board of the Township

SECTION 10 PENALTY

This Section provides that any person, corporation partnership or any other legal entity who violates the provisions of the Ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned for not more than ninety (90) days or both at the discretion of the Court

SECTION 11 REPEAL

This Section provides that all Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of the Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict

SECTION 12 SEVERABILITY

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

SECTION 13 SAVINGS CLAUSE

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

SECTION 14 PUBLICATION

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

SECTION 15 EFFECTIVE DATE

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

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office The Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton, Michigan 48188 during regular business hours

Item 2. Resolution Honoring Canton and Salem High School Graduates.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the resolution in recognition for Plymouth Canton and Plymouth Salem High School Graduates Motion carried unanimously

Item 3. Approve Resolution in Recognition of Better Hearing and Speech Month - May 2002.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the resolution in recognition of Better Hearing and Speech Month, May 2002 Motion carried unanimously

Item 4. Request for blank Purchase Orders for 2002.

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to authorize purchase orders for Leisure Service Department for 2002 Motion carried unanimously

Villa De Roma \$84,000 Food and Beverage Pheasant Run 211 756 741 0000

ATD Sports Fields Specialists \$12,000 Products Services Equip for all parks 101 270 930 0000

Item 5 Budget Amendments - Carryover of FY 2001 Budget Items.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget amendment to reappropriate funds for Leisure Service Capital Budget Items carried over from 2001 to 2002 Motion carried unanimously

General Fund

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Total. Includes Increase Revenues, Appropriation from Fund Balance, etc.

This budget amendment increases the Parks Division budget from \$1,809,056 to \$1,811,556 the Softball Center division budget from \$689,072 to \$696,377, and the General Fund budget from \$22,704,918 to \$22,714,723

Community Improvement Fund

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Total. Includes Increase Revenues, Appropriation from Fund Balance, etc.

This budget amendment increases the Community Improvement Fund budget from \$3,912,432 to \$3,954,573

Item 6 Authorize Resolution for Lease Agreement With Ervin Leasing

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to sign the Resolution on behalf of the Township to lease equipment through Ervin Leasing Motion carried unanimously

Item 7. Second Reading - Amendment to Ordinance 30 - Water Rates, Industrial Waste Control and Industrial Surcharge Rates

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to remove from the table and approve to be effective upon publication the amendment to the Water and Sewer Supply Ordinance No 30(R) The proposed changes increase retail water service rates from \$1.95 per 1,000 gallons to \$2.00 per 1,000 gallons (2.5% increase) increase the retail sewage disposal rate from \$2.81 per 1,000 gallons to \$3.06 per 1,000 gallons (8.9% increase) effective May 1, 2002, and increase the City of Detroit Water & Sewerage Department Industrial Waste Control (IWC) service charge and Industrial Surcharge pass through for all commercial and industrial sewer users effective for billings after August 1, 2002 (July 2002 sanitary sewage usage) Motion carried unanimously

Charter Township of Canton Summary of Ordinance No. 30

Amendment to Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No. 30 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER SUPPLY AND SEWER SYSTEM ORDINANCE NO 30 SECTION 20, ENTITLED "RATES", PROVIDING FOR A NEW WATER CONSUMPTION RATE AT SUBSECTION 20(1)(A) THEREOF PROVIDING FOR A NEW SEWER TREATMENT RATE AT SUBSECTION 20(2)(A) THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR A NEW MINIMUM SEWAGE DISPOSAL BILL AT SUBSECTION 20(2)(B) THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL WASTE CHARGE (IWC) RATES AT SUBSECTION 20(2)(G) THEREOF PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL SURCHARGE RATES AT SUBSECTION 20(2)(H) THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF ORDINANCES PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY, PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE

SECTION 1 AMENDMENT TO SECTION 20, RATES, FEES, CHARGES.

Ordinance No 30(S) is hereby adopted to amend Section 20 of the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No 30, entitled Rates, Fees, Charges to read as follows

112 200 Section 20 RATES, FEES CHARGES

This section provides that Ordinance No 30(S) is adopted to amend Section 20 of the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance No 30, entitled "Rates, Fees Charges" to provide for new water Consumption Rates at Subsection 20(1)(A), new Sewer Treatment Rates at Subsection 20(2)(A) new Minimum Sewage Disposal Rate at Subsection 20(2)(B) new Industrial Waste Charge (IWC) rates at Subsection 20(2)(G) and to provide for new industrial surcharge rates at Subsection 20(2)(H)

SECTION 2 SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THE ORDINANCE.

This section provides that the balance of Ordinance No 30, except as herein amended shall remain in full force and effect. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing acquired or incurred at the time this amendatory Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law enforced when they are commenced This mandatory Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any right pending before the effective date of this amendatory Ordinance

SECTION 3 VIOLATION AND PENALTY

This section provides that any person corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any of the regulations adopted in pursuance thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof may be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or both in the discretion of the Court

SECTION 4 SEVERABILITY

This section provides that if any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof

SECTION 5 CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE

This section provides that this Ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed if possible, in such manner as to make such provisions compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing Ordinances of the Township and all amendments thereto

SECTION 6 REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS.

This section provides that portions of Ordinance No 30 are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect

SECTION 7 EFFECTIVE DATE

This section provides that this Ordinance becomes effective after publication

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the Clerk's office, The Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours

General Calendar

Item 1. Request for Proclamation in Recognition of Canton Senior Program 30th Anniversary.

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Resolution in Recognition of Canton Senior Program 30th Anniversary Motion carried unanimously

Item 2. Consider Site Plan For Carrabba's Italian Grill Restaurant.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the request of the Petitioner, David Hunter, to approve the site plan for the proposed Carrabba's Italian Grill subject to including an increase in total number of parking spaces to not more than 147, increasing the allowable mounting height of the parking lot lights to 22 feet to match the adjoining sites and the addition of some architectural details such as a garden wall along the west face of the building near the carry out entrance as summarized in the written analysis Supported by McLaughlin Motion carried unanimously

Item 3. Consider Request For Approval to Award Bid for Canton Sports Complex (Victory Park) Michigan Avenue - US 12 Deceleration Lane.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award the bid of \$76,114.25 to Best Asphalt, Inc plus a 10% contingency of \$7,611 for a total not to exceed the amount of \$83,725.25 for the Canton Sports Complex (Victory Park) Michigan Avenue US 12 Deceleration Lane Funds have been budgeted from account no 246 750 970 0000 Motion carried unanimously

Item 4. Consider Authorizing Wayne County to Install Illuminated Street Signs at Five (5) Intersections.

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter, to authorize the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to enter into an agreement with Wayne County to install the illuminated street signs at the five locations listed in the amount of \$30,000.00 plus ten percent contingency for a total fee not to exceed \$33,000, and I further move to approve the transfer of \$33,000 from the general fund to Capital Projects Road Paving Fund for this project with the following listed budget amendments

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Total. Includes General Fund, Increase Revenues, Appropriation from Fund Balance, etc.

This budget amendment increases the Transfers Out Department budget from \$1,567,567 to \$1,600,557 and the General Fund budget from \$22,704,918 to \$22,737,918

Capital Projects Road Paving Fund:

Table with 3 columns: Description, Amount, Total. Includes Increase Revenues, Contribution General Fund, Increase Appropriations, etc.

This budget amendment increases the Capital Projects Road Paving Fund budget from \$990,082 to \$1,023,082

Item 5. Extension of Fellows Creek Contract.

Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak, to authorize the Clerk and

Supervisor to sign an agreement to extend the lease with Fellows Creek dated April 4 1986 until June 30 2002 Motion carried unanimously

Item 6. Award Bid for Canton Leisure Services Rental of Tents, Tables and Chairs

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to award the Leisure Services Rental of Tents, Tables and Chairs bid to All Parties Concerned in an amount not to exceed \$9,312.00 Motion carried unanimously

Item 7. Approve the 2002 Weed Cutting Program Bid.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to accept the lowest bid submitted by M S T & L Inc in the amount of \$57.00 per lot and \$57.00 per acre for the 2002 Weed Cutting Program Motion carried unanimously

Item 8. Request to Purchase Additional Pro Shop Point of Sale/Tee Time Software for Pheasant Run Golf Club.

Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to increase the original purchase order to Jencess Software and Technologies in the amount of \$1,393 for upgrade of Tee Time Reservation System for a total purchase amount of \$9,772 with the expense charge to the Pheasant Run Golf Course account #211 756 977 000 Motion carried unanimously

Item 9. Create and Fill Continuing Part-Time Clerk (DDA).

Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly, for approval to create and fill continuing part time clerk position in the Supervisor's Office Motion carried unanimously

Item 10. Notice of Intent Resolution - 2002 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the attached resolution authorizing the Township Clerk to publish a notice of intent to issue 2002 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds not to exceed \$16,000,000 Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION OF - BOARD OF TRUSTEES - CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

NOTICE OF INTENT RESOLUTION - 2002 GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan (the "Township") held on the 9th day of April, 2002 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. Eastern Time

PRESENT Members Bennett Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin Shefferly Yack

ABSENT Members None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Trustee Bennett and supported by Trustee Kirchgatter

WHEREAS, the Township intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001, as amended, in an amount not to exceed Sixteen Million Dollars (\$16,000,000) for the purpose of paying part of the cost of acquiring and constructing certain capital improvement items related to the Township's Administration and Public Safety Buildings (the "Project") and

WHEREAS, a notice of intent to issue bonds must be published before the issuance of the aforesaid bonds in order to comply with the requirements of Section 517 of Act 34 Public Acts of Michigan, 2001 as amended, and

WHEREAS the Township intends at this time to state its intentions to be reimbursed from proceeds of the bonds for any expenditures undertaken by the Township for the Project prior to issuance of the bonds

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

1 The Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice of intent to issue bonds in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township

2 Said notice of intent shall be published as a one quarter (1/4) page display advertisement in substantially the following form

NOTICE TO ELECTORS - OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

OF INTENT TO ISSUE BONDS SECURED BY THE TAXING POWER OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE RIGHT OF REFERENDUM THEREON

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton Wayne County Michigan, intends to issue and sell general obligation capital improvement bonds pursuant to Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001, as amended in an amount not to exceed Sixteen Million Dollars (\$16,000,000) for the purpose of paying part of the cost of acquiring and constructing certain capital improvement items related to the acquisition of improvements to the Townships Administration and Public Safety Buildings, including furnishing and equipping said buildings together with site improvements therefore

Said bonds will mature in annual installments not to exceed twenty five (25) in number with interest rates to be determined at sale but in no event to exceed such rates as may be permitted by law on the unpaid balance from time to time remaining outstanding on said bonds. The bonds may be issued in one or more series as shall be determined by the Township Board

SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF BONDS

THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST OF THE BONDS shall be payable from the general funds of the Township lawfully available for such purposes including property taxes levied within applicable charter statutory and constitutional limitations

RIGET OF REFERENDUM

THE BONDS WILL BE ISSUED WITHOUT A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING SUCH A VOTE SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN FORTY FIVE (45) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IF SUCH PETITION IS FILED, THE BONDS MAY NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT AN APPROVING VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP VOTING THEREON

THIS NOTICE is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 517, Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001, as amended

Terry G Bennett Township Clerk

3 The Township Board does hereby determine that the foregoing form of Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds and the manner of publication directed is the method best calculated to give notice to the Township's taxpayers and electors of this Board's intent to issue the bonds, the purpose of the bonds, the security for the bonds and the right of referendum relating thereto and the newspaper named for publication is hereby determined to reach the largest number of persons to whom the notice is directed

4 The Township makes the following declarations for the purpose of complying with the reimbursement rules of Treas Reg § 1.150-2 pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended

(a) As of the date hereof, the Township reasonably expects to reimburse the Township for the expenditures described in (b) below with proceeds of debt to be incurred by the Township

(b) The expenditures described in this paragraph (b) are for the costs of acquiring and constructing the Project which were or will be paid subsequent to sixty (60) days prior to the date hereof

(c) The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for the Project, including issuance costs, is \$16,000,000

(d) A reimbursement allocation of the expenditures described in (b) above with the proceeds of the borrowing described herein will occur not later than 18 months after the later of (i) the date on which the expenditure is paid, or (ii) the date the Project is placed in service or abandoned but in no event more than three (3) years after the original expenditure is paid A reimbursement allocation is an allocation in writing that evidences the Township's use of the proceeds of the debt to be issued for the Project to reimburse the Township for a capital expenditure made pursuant to this resolution

(e) The expenditures described in (b) above are "capital expenditures" as defined in Treas Reg § 1.150-1(b), which are any costs of a type which are properly chargeable to a capital account (or would be so chargeable with a proper election or with the application of the definition of placed in service under Treas Reg § 1.150-2(c)) under general Federal income tax principles (as determined at the time the expenditure is paid)

(f) No proceeds of the borrowing paid to the Township in reimbursement pursuant to this resolution will be used in a manner described in Treas Reg § 1.150-2(h) with respect to abusive uses of such proceeds, including, but not limited to, using funds corresponding to the proceeds of the borrowing in a manner that results in the creation of replacement proceeds (within Treas Reg § 1.148-1) within one year of the reimbursement allocation described in (d) above

5 All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded

Terry G Bennett, Clerk

Item 11. Approval of Generic Upgrade

Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Generic Upgrade of Jessica Pietka from Programmer/Analyst III to Programmer/Analyst II effective and retroactive to March 25, 2002 Motion carried unanimously

Additional Comments:

Arts in Bloom will take place at the Summit in the Maple Room, this Sunday from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Also, the Hall of Fame and Community Achiever Supporter Program is this Sunday from 3:00 to 5:00 but is not open to the general public and is by invitation only to the recipients and their immediate families

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to move to closed session for the purpose of discussion of purchase of property at 7:54 p.m. Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, seconded by McLaughlin to return to open session and adjourn at 8:05 p.m

Motion carried unanimously

THOMAS J YACK, Supervisor

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

Publish April 18 2002

Church laws, but not the Bible, ban first-cousin marriages

BY RICHARD N. OSTLING
AP RELIGION WRITER

Must first cousins be forbidden to marry?

In the Bible, and in many parts of the world, the answer is no. But the answer is yes in much of church law and in half the 50 United States.

This issue became news when the April issue of the *Journal of Genetic Counseling* said risks have been exaggerated for serious birth defects, retardation or genetic diseases among children of first-cousin marriages.

Generally, an unrelated couple has a 3 percent to 4 percent risk of having a child with such problems, while marriages of close cousins add 17 percent to 28 percent to the risk. Genetic problems are considerably higher with the forms of close inbreeding that the Bible forbids and secular culture abhors as "incest."

First cousins cannot marry

Scholarly writers that prohibition of close kin marriages strengthened a healthy feeling of respect in the family circle and helped prevent sexual corruption of children by those living within households.

under the age-old laws of the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches, covering much of world Christendom. But in the Reformation, the Church of England followed Protestantism's "sola scripture" (Scripture alone) principle and returned to biblical law, which also binds traditional Jews.

Levitical law

Under Queen Elizabeth I, Anglicanism decreed that "no prohibition, God's law except, shall trouble or impeach any marriage outside Levitical law." Two dozen biblical prohibitions were listed in the "Table of Kin-

dred and Affinity" in the *Book of Common Prayer*.

This "Levitical law" is found in Leviticus 18 6-18, supplemented by Leviticus 20 17-21 and Deuteronomy 27 20-23. Among the forbidden couples are parent-child, sister-brother, grandparent grandchild, uncle-niece, aunt-nephew, and between half-siblings and certain close in-laws.

A noteworthy biblical exception was "levirate marriage." A man was forbidden to marry his brother's wife except when the brother died without leaving a child, in which case the surviv-

ing brother was urged to marry the widow although he had the option to refuse (Deuteronomy 25 5-10).

There were early examples in Genesis of couples that would later be forbidden under the Law of Leviticus, for instance Abraham's marriage to his half-sister Sarah.

The New Testament's single passage on incest (1 Corinthians 5.1-2) condemned a man "living with his father's wife," apparently meaning his stepmother, which came under the Leviticus bans and was penalized with excommunication.

Universal taboo

Why limit marriage partners? The Bible simply says marriage with a "near kinsman" or "near kinswoman" is wrong, expressing a near-universal aversion in human cultures.

St Augustine, in the early fifth century, and the later St

Thomas Aquinas developed a sociological explanation. The welfare of society requires the widest possible bonds of friendship and love, making marriage outside the family desirable. The resulting unification of tribes reduces warfare and fosters social peace.

These writers also said that prohibition of close kin marriages strengthened a healthy feeling of respect in the family circle and helped prevent sexual corruption of children by those living within households.

Later theologians added scientific arguments, saying natural law appeared to abhor close intermarriage due to the increased physical and mental defects that result from repeated inbreeding, as the new genetic study indicates.

The idea of moving beyond the Bible to ban first-cousin marriages started with the Roman state, was endorsed by

St Ambrose and St Augustine, and was promulgated as Catholic canon law by a church council in 1215. The Orthodox Church's prohibition dates from a council in 692.

Discussing cousins in *The City of God* (15 16), Augustine wrote that "in our own time the customary morality has prevented this from being frequent, though the law allows it."

It was not prohibited by divine law" (that is, the Bible) "nor as yet had human law prohibited it. Nevertheless, though legitimate, people shrank from it, because it lay so close to what was illegitimate," referring to the closer relationships forbidden by the Bible.

In Catholicism, the pope can grant a dispensation to allow a prohibited marriage.

That sometimes occurs with first cousins, though rarely, but never for marriages between relatives on the biblical list.

There's a new 'no-rule' rule for swimsuits

BY SAMANTHA CRITCHELL
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NEW YORK (AP) — The first thing to remember when shopping for a new bathing suit this year is to forget everything you already know.

Big, splashy, colorful prints are everywhere while only a handful of sleek black suits are in stores, two-piece tankinis — which made their first appearance at the pool only a few years ago — are now the norm, and skirted suits are hip.

Fashion influences are obvious in the bohemian styles and textured fabrics.

"Women don't want to be told you can or can't do anything. It's almost a problem that fashion has become so democratic," says Lesley Jane Seymour, editor in chief of Marie Claire magazine. "You have to learn what looks good on you. You can't just buy a bikini because bikinis are in and blame someone else if you don't look good."

The only way to find the most flattering suit is to try them all on. Seymour advises grabbing 20 suits (they're light) before heading into a store's dressing room — and be sure some are styles aren't the ones you always gravitate to.

Seymour says she gets the most compliments on a gunmetal gray, one-piece suit with an

"evening-gown top" that is a far cry from the bright-colored bikinis she used to reach for.

"You know a winner once you've put it on," she adds.

Among the choices out there for summer 2002 are a tie-top tankini in a safari print from Liz Claiborne Swimwear that features a looser silhouette and drawstring waist, a floral sarong sheath from Rose Marie Reid Swimwear which gets its name from the sarong-style fabric overlay that covers a woman's hips without looking dowdy, a white textured tankini top and "denim" bottom (made from Lycra, nylon and cotton) from Anne Cole, which when worn with its accompanying skirt looks more like a casual chic outfit, and funky tie-dye and geometric-print tank suits from Speedo that make the traditional swimming suit a little more fashionable.

"There's a lot more color. It's a print year," observes Steven Balit, vice president of merchandising for Maillot Baltex, which includes the Baltex, Body ID and Be Creative brands.

Black is a safe haven for women and there is a place for one black swimsuit in a woman's beach wardrobe, Balit says, but there should only be one.

"Beachwear is an expression of fun," he says.

Popular color palates for this

year include aqua, turquoise and jade, and red, coral and hot pink.

And the choices just keep coming. In a trend that began with the tankini, which is basically classic tank swimsuit cut in half, manufacturers are breaking up one pieces into various full-coverage two-pieces, and tops and bottoms are being offered as separates so shoppers can mix sizes and prints to accommodate individual shapes.

"Mix-and-match separates is the biggest growing segment of the swimwear business," Balit says. The Be Creative line, for instance, features everything from one-shoulder tankini tops in a busy swirl print to a gold-color swim skirt with a sexy slit.

Balit separates swimsuit shoppers into three categories that are defined more by style and attitude than age. The junior active woman has a "surfer girl" look, favoring boy shorts and string bikinis in beach-motif prints, the contemporary woman looks for full coverage with some bust support, either soft cups or a shelf bra, and tummy control in a sexy suit, a missy shopper wants molded soft cups for the bust, a tummy control panel and maybe a little extra fabric for a skirt or shirring.

And breakthroughs in lightweight fabrics that add support, and in some cases acting almost as a body slimmer, have

opened up a new world of styles to all shapes, Balit adds.

But even more than style or fabric, proper fit is what makes for a flattering swimsuit. Move around the dressing room to make sure things stay put, says Seymour.

Many of today's swimsuits are made for swimming, not just laying in the suit, she adds, so you can safely play in the waves and do laps in the pool without worry. "You don't have to swim only in a racerback."

Seymour points out that some of the sexiest suits might be show a lot of skin but they're usually solid and sturdy at the top and bottom.

And sexy and skin don't always have to go hand in hand, either. Mesh and cutouts create the optical illusion of bareness.

A swimsuit wearer is her own harshest critic, says Seymour. Women are particularly concerned about their rear end and the backs of the thighs. "We fear what we can't see," she says.

She suggests bringing a friend — or two — who will give an honest opinion and has a healthy attitude about the body.

But Seymour's top tip is putting self-tanner on the night before the shopping trip. "No matter your size, you won't like what you see if you're pasty."

CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES - SPECIAL MEETING PROCEEDINGS - MARCH 27, 2002

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Wednesday, March 27, 2002 at 1150 South Canton Center Road Canton Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board Members Present: Bennett, Burdzick, Shefferly, McLaughlin, Kirchgatter, Yack. Board Members Absent: LaJoy.

Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Machnik, Director Durack, Director Conklin, Debbie Jamec.

Others Present: TMP Associates Inc. Representatives Dave Larson, Berry, Nebhut, Rob Filary, George W. Auch Co. Representatives Dave Hamilton, Vince DeLeonardis.

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present.

Item 1. Discussion of the Administration/ Public Safety Expansion

A. Review of the process and program document by TMP - Mr. Larson presented a review of the process that led us to the documents presented today. He began with a review of the guiding principals for the expansion of the building. They include the following changes to the current building should be minimal, the lower level needs include a production room and a large flexible new space, storage space is important. The addition should meet the anticipated growth need for the next twenty years. The addition should look seamless, the entry should make a statement. The parking and entrance relationship is important. The addition should meet Canton's quality standard. The offices of Personnel Clerk, Treasurer plus the Board meeting room should all be located on the main floor, and Municipal Services should have their own access to the second floor. Mr. Larson indicated the principals were kept in mind as the building design was considered. The process began with an internal evaluation of the existing building. Spaces were measured and standards were set for square foot requirements of each type of work space in the building. Need assessments were considered. Originally the building was estimated to be a 59,000 square foot addition. The first conceptual drawing placed the building at around 76,000 square feet. Director Machnik was able to review the conceptual building and get that figure reduced to 66,000 square feet. That number is what is represented today. The financial reports today do not represent the additional square feet being considered for the Public Safety building.

The first conceptual addition to Public Safety consisted of adding a records department to the first floor. Upon reviewing the building options for treatment of the front facade of the building and needs assessment for Public Safety, it seemed to make sense to consider a two story addition to the front of the building. Discussion of that piece and cost will be held to a separate meeting when Director Santomuro is present.

Mr. Larson presented the conceptual drawings of the design of the building. There was discussion related to the treatment of the connection of the present building to the new building. It was suggested that materials / design of the west side facade would assist with the attempt to create a seamless flow of the building. This treatment would be carried around the back of the original building to the point at which the Public Safety building is connected to the original township building. The back of Public Safety would remain the same. Brick staining would be used to coordinate the three colors of brick that will exist on the completed building and create uniformity.

Director Minghine indicated that Funding options would come from several sources including, Public Safety, Water and Sewer Fund and General Fund Bonding from the General Fund would be required.

B. Financial Estimate - Director Machnik presented the financials related to the original expansion cost summary. Project costs were estimated at \$14,609,499 approximately one year ago. This estimate was for a 59,000 square foot building. The numbers estimated from Auch as presented today are based upon a 66,000 square foot addition. George W. Auch Co. cost estimators have presented a \$17,042,068 project. This number is based upon the information related to the design TMP has provided to Auch at this time. Costs included in this estimate include construction (core shell site) renovation, facade replacement (west elevation), CM costs, fees, contingency, soils and material testing, design and consultation fees, allowances for moving, security, telephone, etc., and furniture, fixtures and equipment. Specific additional costs related to adding fire protection to the existing building, replacement of the HVAC, VAV controls, ceiling replacement, related electrical work and light renovation as related to the above west facade replacement, utility and building permits and fees. Director Machnik indicated to the Board of Trustees that there are several cost saving options. These considerations are not finishing the lower level interior of the building at this time, reducing the size of the lower level construction, looking at an alternative entrance lobby glazing system and waiving utility and building permit fees. Also specific decisions as to the need for renovation of the present buildings air conditioning and heating system is an item for discussion (HVAC/VAV). Director Machnik strongly recommended to the board that we consider the renovation of the HVAC and VAV as the present building system precludes efficiency and age considerations will soon determine the need for this to occur regardless. Director Machnik indicated the estimate before the board is the best available based upon the numbers that are available today. Value engineering will occur throughout the process to refine future estimates and actual construction costs.

Director Minghine responded to Board of Trustees questions related to the ability of the community to finance the debt on this addition. He indicated that he would recommend a 20 year bond, believing that the building will be in tact for at least 50 years. A conservative evaluation of the finances of the community now and in the future indicate that the community can support the debt to the general fund. We are a financially secure community who continues to remain conservative on the issuance of community debt.

C. Options that impact the cost. - Supervisor Yack placed on the table for discussion the options presented by Director Machnik. Discussion brought about the following general conclusions: Fire prevention upgrades were not an option, HVAC and VAV would be done in the existing building. Lighting renovation would be further evaluated. West side facade would be included in the scope of work. The lower level would be completed for storage and public meeting spaces, and the community would waive the permit and building fees.

D. Presentation of changes to the Purchasing Policy that will allow for a Construction Manager. - Director Minghine presented copies of draft purchasing policy amendments as related to the Construction management and Capital Project budget's requirements for the Board of Trustees consideration. A draft policy for Change orders was also included. Director Minghine asked that the board review these items. Additional discussion would occur once the board had the opportunity to review the changes.

Other Items - Supervisor Yack informed the Board that no Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 2, 2002.

Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to adjourn at 4:18 p.m. Motion carried by all members present.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for *Electrical Improvements for Allen, Bird, Gallimore, Smith Elementary Schools, West Middle School, and Salem High School*. Specifications and bid forms are available on April 16, 2002 by phoning TMP Associates at (248) 338 4561. Sealed bids are due on or before 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 2, 2002 and should be addressed to Dan Phillips, RE Electrical Improvements Bid PCCS E J McClendon Building, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS PLYMOUTH CULTURAL CENTER DOOR REPLACEMENT GENERAL CONTRACT

Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Plymouth in the City Commission Chambers on the Second Floor of the City Hall Building, 201 South Main Street until 2:00 p.m. (local time), Thursday, May 2, 2002 for door replacement at the Plymouth Cultural Center located at 525 Farmer Bids will be opened at that time.

Contract Documents with proposal forms may be obtained at the office of Nordstrom Samson Associates, 39500 High Pointe Blvd., Suite 200, Novi, Michigan 48375, on or after 12:00 noon, Wednesday, April 17, 2002, for a refundable deposit of \$20.00 per set. Documents must be picked up. No mailing service is available.

The project consists generally of removal of main entry Vestibule glazed aluminum doors, sidelight, and transom systems (2 banks), removal of main Corridor to Ice Arena, glazed hollow metal doors and sidelight system, and replacement with equivalent arrangements, single door opening, bi-parting aluminum door systems.

A bid bond, certified check or cashier's check, in an amount equal to 10% of the bid submitted, must accompany each proposal as security to assure the bidders acceptance of the contract within (7) days from the date of award.

All Contracts to be entered into by the City of Plymouth, Michigan must comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

Bidder will note that this project is being undertaken using Federal funds and Contractor shall comply with Davis-Bacon Act, the United States Department of Labor Regulations and Standards, and the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Act. Attention is called to the fact that not less than minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project.

The City of Plymouth reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularities therein and to make the award in any number deemed to be in the best interest of the City.

LINDA LANGMESSER
City Clerk

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Correction

The all Observer volleyball team inadvertently left the name of Plymouth Canton outside hitter Cindy Rotramel off the listing of the third team.

Rotramel was an all-Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division selection.

Compuware advances

Four teams advanced in the North American Hockey League playoffs — including the regular season champion Compuware Ambassadors.

The Ambassadors advanced after winning two-straight against the Soo Kewadin Casino Indians last weekend at Compuware Arena, but neither win came easily. Compuware won the opener Friday 7-6, thanks to three goals by Mike Falk.

On Saturday, the Ambassadors clinched the best-of-three-games series with a 2-1 win over the Indians, with Chris Connor getting the game-winner on a breakaway late in the first period. Goalie Chris Davidson turned away 26 shots to assure the victory.

The Ambassadors now host the Springfield (Ill.) Spirit in a best-of-three series this weekend at Compuware. The Spirit advanced by eliminating the Danville Wings in two games last weekend.

The first game of the NAHL semifinal will be at 7:05 p.m. Friday, the second will be at 7:05 p.m. Saturday, with a third game (if necessary) at 3:05 p.m. Sunday.

In the other NAHL semifinal, the defending champion Texas Tornados will go against the Pittsburgh Forge this weekend in Texas.

Salem wins opener

The Plymouth Salem girls golf team opened its season with a 185-195 victory over Western Lakes Activities Association rival Livonia Stevenson Monday at St. John's.

Danielle March led Salem with a 45 followed by Jamie Siedlaczak and Danielle Powers, each with a 46. Kelly Tamme was next best with a 48.

Stevenson was led by Kristin Polanski, who earned medalist honors with a 38. Next best for the Spartans was Rebecca Rogozan with a 50.

The Rocks go against cross-campus rival Plymouth Canton today at St. John's.

Hole-in-one

What a way to open the season.

Neil Perry, of Royal Oak, aced the 15th hole at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton last Saturday. Perry, who's been golfing for seven years, got his first-ever hole-in-one using a seven-iron on the 143-yard hole. He finished the round with a 96.

Coaches wanted

The new Plymouth HS is looking for head coaches in boys and girls cross country for this fall.

Applicants must be high school graduates (or the equivalent), they must have high school-level coaching experience or must have participated at the college level in the sport in which they are applying, they must have a time schedule compatible with that of the high school, and they must have demonstrated an ability to work with parents and children.

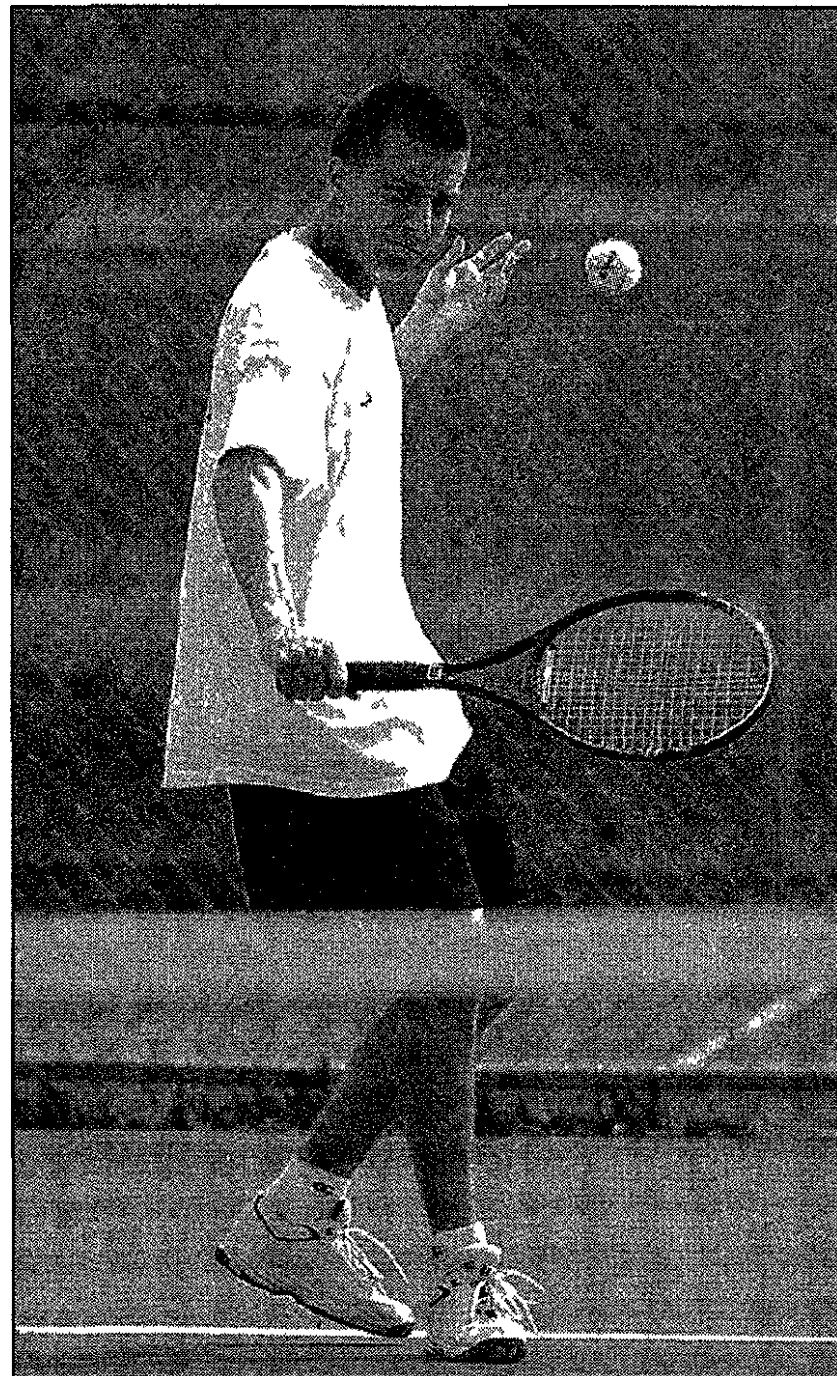
Those interested who are presently working within the Plymouth/Canton school district should address a letter of intent to Plymouth HS athletic director Terry Sawchuk. Interested persons outside the district must file a coaching application and include a letter of intent with the Plymouth HS athletic office.

Applications may be sent to Director of Athletics, 46181 Joy, Canton, MI, 48187. For more information, call (734) 416-7775.

Skating stuff

Roller skating classes for children and adults are being offered at Skatin Station II in Canton. The six-week classes start will be from 11:15 a.m. noon on Saturdays beginning May 18. Cost is \$30. For further information call (734) 459-6401 or visit the Skatin Station II website at www.skatinstation2.com.

Inline roller hockey leagues for all ages are forming at Skatin Station II in Canton. There will be one game a week with the fee covering shirts for the championship teams, a game jersey, referee fees and hockey stats roters, schedules and champion's pictures on the web. Call (734) 459-6401 for information.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Top dog: Evan Roller got Salem off to a good start by winning at No. 1 singles, beating Canton's Kyle Andrews.

Singles play helps Salem stop Canton

BY C.J. RISAK
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A lot can change in a week. But not quite enough changed for Plymouth Canton's tennis team in that span to allow it to overtake Plymouth Salem in their annual cross-campus showdown Wednesday.

Last week, Salem scrimmaged Canton and came away with a 6-2 victory. "We won all the singles," said Rocks' coach Bill Nelson.

That didn't happen Wednesday, when the two teams met in a meet that mattered. But Salem still had enough to hold off the Chiefs, winning three of the four singles flights and splitting the doubles to emerge with a 5-3 victory.

"It came down to the No. 3 doubles," said Nelson. "We had the tie (clinched), but we needed that to get the win."

The Rocks did just that, with their No. 3 doubles team of Dave Kwak and Chris Treadwell stopping Canton's Steve West and Jon Eric Corneliier 6-3, 6-2.

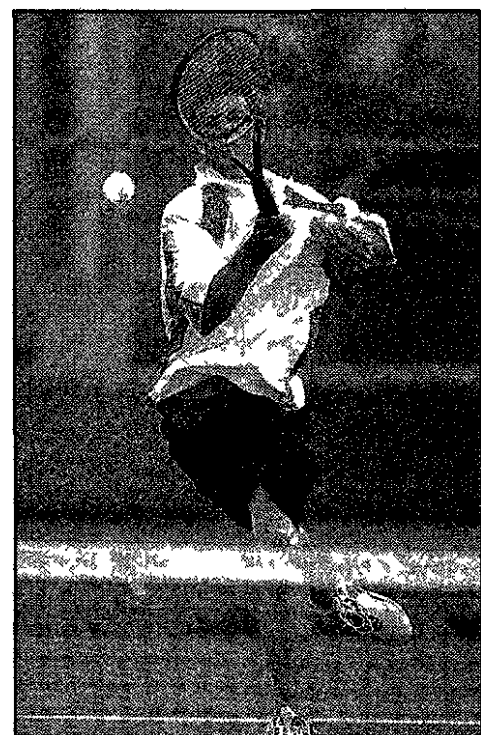
The victory boosted Salem's dual-meet record to 2-0. Canton is 1-1.

"I thought our No. 3 doubles should have been a lot closer," said Canton coach Barb Lehman. "And Salem did change its doubles team a bit."

The biggest of those changes was pairing Treadwell, a freshman, with Kwak, a senior who had been nursing a sore arm.

As expected, the Rocks dominated the singles play. "It's beginning to look like our singles and our lower-end doubles will be our strength," admitted Nelson.

Salem got singles wins at No. 1, with Evan Roller stopping Kyle Andrews 6-2, 6-3, at No. 3, with Dave Wallen beating Chris Slupek 6-1, 6-4, and at No. 4, with Dave Daigneau topping Sam Kaufman 6-0, 6-2.



STAFF PHOTO BY BRYAN MITCHELL

Three-set gem: Canton's Brian Keeseey battled through three grueling sets before emerging with a win.

The best singles match was at No. 2, with Canton's Brian Keeseey outlasting Mike Ware Jr., 7-6 (7-5 in the tiebreaker), 4-6, 6-4. "I was very pleased with the way Brian Keeseey played at No. 2, especially his being in this situation for the first time," said Lehman, referring to Keeseey's transferring.

Please see TENNIS, C4

Mustangs' corner kicks wreck Rocks

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Eliminate the mistakes — that's a sure-fire way to win a game. It's especially imperative when they opponent happens to be the second-ranked team in the state.

That's the situation Plymouth Salem's soccer team faced Wednesday when it traveled to Northville. Salem had certain things in its favor, for one, Northville is the team that ended the Rocks' season last spring, beating them 4-1 in the state district finals.

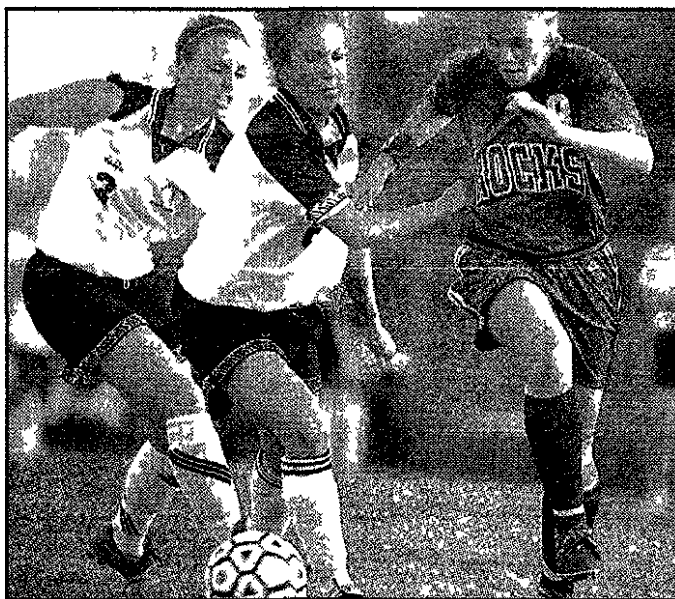
For another, star midfielder Marissa Sarkesian was returning to the lineup after having to sit out due to MHSAA sanctions regarding her participating in an Olympic Development Program during the season.

But none of it wasn't enough, which says something about the Mustangs.

After a scoreless first half, Northville scored twice off corner kicks, the second netted by Lindsay Dunnead to break a 1-1 tie and send the Mustangs to a 2-1 triumph.

Salem slipped to 1-1-2 overall, 1-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Northville is 5-0 overall, 2-0 in the WLAA.

There was a certain *deja vu* associated with this game. When the Mustangs beat Salem in the districts last year, three of their four goals came off restarts. That weakness was exposed again last night.



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In possession: Salem's Marissa Sarkesian (right) tries to gain possession of the ball from two Northville defenders. Sarkesian scored Salem's only goal.

"We're not playing smart in back," said Salem coach Joe Nora. "That's the same way they got us in districts. I thought they wanted the ball more tonight."

"And I don't think we attacked well all night. Instead of going over the top and playing the ball to the corners, we kept kicking it right down the middle."

"We're smarter than that."

Nora may have been a bit disappointed, but there were other factors to consider. For example, even with the return of Sarkesian, the Rocks entered the game with two strikes against them. Two key players, outside midfielders Jordan Falcusan and Sara Schupra, missed the game due to injuries.

That made the task ahead of them more difficult. It got even worse when forward Katie Boyde collapsed with 30 minutes remaining in the match after a breakaway ended with a shot wide of the Northville net. Gasping for air, it took Boyde a while to recover and return to play.

Northville dictated the action throughout the first half, getting several solid shots on goal, including one chance by Larisa Fill with 23 minutes left in the half that got over keeper Heather Jones but bounced off the crossbar and into Jones' hands.

Still, the Mustangs had nothing to show for their efforts at halftime, prompting coach Ron Meteyer to urge his girls to keep attacking, crossing the ball from the corners to try and take advantage of Salem's defense.

"We emphasized some things at halftime that we wanted to do in the second half and really, they didn't pan out," said Meteyer. But the pressure was

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Salem hoop stars find NCAA homes

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The perfect ending to a near-perfect season.

How else can one describe what has happened to the two best players on one of the best girls basketball teams ever at Plymouth Salem HS?

Last week, guard Kelly Jaskot and forward MaryLou Liebau committed to NCAA Division I teams, Jaskot signing with the University of Detroit Mercy and Liebau with Oakland University.

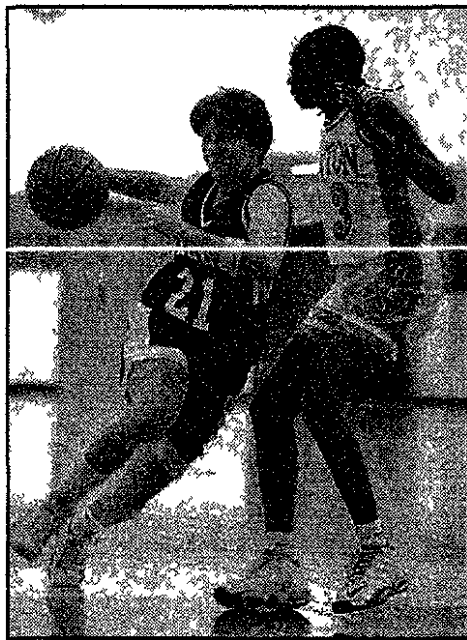
Both were integral parts of the first-ever Salem team to survive a regular season unbeaten. The Rocks finished 22-1, losing to Final Four-bound West Bloomfield in the regionals.

"It was a helluva accomplishment," said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "But if you don't have good players, you won't win a lot of games."

The Rocks had some good players, and the two best were Jaskot and Liebau. Jaskot, a 5-foot-7 guard, averaged 11.3 points, 4.1 assists, 4.3 rebounds and 2.6 steals a game. Liebau, a 5-10 forward, led Salem with 14 points and 10.5 rebounds a game, adding 2.3 steals per game.

They also possessed another quality that would make them valuable to any team. They knew how to win.

"The thing about Kelly," said Thomann, "the key for her is she



FILE PHOTO BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN

Court leader: Kelly Jaskot started for four seasons for Salem, leading the Rocks in assists this season while earning all-conference honors.

understands the game. She blends herself into the team. Her whole thing is, 'We're going to win and I'll do whatever it takes'."

"She can defend, she can make passes, she can get the ball to the right people at the right time. For Kelly, the thing she does best is she bonds everyone together."

Although Jaskot has started four-straight years for Thomann, even though she is a three-sport standout, she is not one to give into ego. She knows what she's good at, and she knows she's going to have to improve them to play at UDM.

"It's going to be tough, but I want that challenge," she said. "This has been my goal for as long as I can remember, since I first started playing at about six. I guess you could say it's my passion."

As well as she's developed in volleyball, as strong as she has been in softball, those are not part of her collegiate athletic plans. Basketball is, and doing whatever it will take to contribute.

"There's no guaranteed spot," she said. "I've got to earn it. I've got to work on my quickness — I mean, I'm quick, but I've got to get quicker. And I still could work on my shot, driving more to the basket."

"But you have to be faster to play at that level."

Certainly she knows what it takes, a good reason why she was twice named to the all-Western Lakes Activities Association team. "She's just a really, really good basketball player," said



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Top scorer: MaryLou Liebau paced Plymouth Salem's 22-win team by averaging more than 14 points and 10 rebounds a game.

Thomann. "And she's a tremendous help-side defender."

Despite her slim stature, Liebau has

Please see HOOPS, D5

Salem starts WLAA season with a win

A four-run fifth inning gave Plymouth Salem the lead for good Monday as the Rocks opened their Western Lakes Activities Association baseball season with an 8-3 win at Livonia Franklin.

The victory allowed Salem to improve its overall record to 3-2. Franklin is 0-3. A single by Tony Puzzuoli and a double by Steve Cox put runners at second and third to start the fifth, with Salem trailing 3-1. An error scored one run, a ground out scored another and Dylan Tobin's single delivered two more.

Cox finished with three hits, Puzzuoli had two and a run batted in, and Kowalik had a hit and two RBI.

Rickey Calleja got the victory with one inning of scoreless relief. Andy Boyer tossed three scoreless innings to close out the

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game and earn the save. David Wells took the loss for Franklin.

John Glenn 9, Canton 8: The hits were plentiful for Plymouth Canton Monday against visiting Westland John Glenn. And for the Rockets.

The decisive play, however, came from the Rockets' defense. With Jon Western on first (pinch running for Mike Tomasz, who had walked) and two out in the seventh, Matt Kay tripled, but Julian Fraser's relay to Craig Lewis got Western at the plate.

Glenn scored six runs in the first inning and three more in the fourth. Canton got a two-run homer from Chris Pirch in the fourth to highlight a three-run

inning (that also included an RBI double by Carl McDevitt), tying the game at 6-6.

Other offensive leaders for the Chiefs were Mark Hanson, who had three hits including a run-scoring double in the first, Joe Kondratak who also had three hits, Kay, who had a double and a triple, and Matt Staley, who doubled and had two RBI.

Staley started but lasted just three full innings, allowing eight earned runs on five hits, three walks and two hit batsmen. McDevitt relieved and pitched four scoreless innings.

Will Kennedy got the pitching win for Glenn, which improved to 3-2. Brian Ceckiewicz and Kyle Rutkowski each collected two hits and two RBI for the Rockets. Brandon Ajlouny also had two hits.

PCA 5, Lutheran Westland 1:

Clay Welton struck out 10 in going the distance to lead Plymouth Christian Academy (1-0) to the non-league victory over Lutheran High Westland (3-2) Monday at Lutheran Westland.

Welton allowed just three hits and three walks. He also helped his own cause by going 2-for-4, including a two-run homer in the opening inning. LaVaughn Stevenson added three hits and scored a pair of runs.

Losing pitcher Brent Habitz also went seven innings, allowing just two earned runs on 10 hits. He struck out six and walked two.

Matt Nollar had an RBI single for the Warriors.

Agape 8, Clarenceville 5: Senior Josh Anthony fanned 18 and pitched a five-hitter Monday as Canton Agape Christian downed host Livonia Clarenceville (0-3) in a non-lea-

Senior Rob Hough went 3-for-5 and knocked in three runs, while Mike Ossana and Paul Chrenko added two hits apiece, Ossana stealing five bases and Chrenko three. Each had an RBI.

Losing pitcher Adam Carpenier went all seven innings, fanning six. He also went 2-for-3.

Agape 29, Urban Lutheran 1: The game was called after 2 1/2 innings by the mercy rule Tuesday at Griffin Park as Canton Agape improved to 4-0. Detroit Urban Lutheran is 1-4.

Mike Ossana got the pitching win, allowing one unearned run on two hits and four walks, striking out five.

Rob Hough slugged a two-run homer in the first, Ossana had three hits, three RBI and four runs scored, Jeremiah Belton had two hits and five RBI and Mike Bommerito had a hit and three RBI.

CC tops state champs

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This Monday afternoon baseball matchup featured the 1999 and 2001 Division 1 state championship teams facing off. When the dust settled, pitching dominated, only one total run was scored, and the Shamrocks walked off the field smiling.

SHAMROCKS

CC's Todd Tindle scored the game's only run on an error, and added two hits as the Shamrocks edged the Grosse Pointe South Blue Devils 1-0 in a non-league road game. With the win, CC is off to a 7-0 start to the season.

Mike Monterey pitched a strong game, going 6 1/3 innings of shutout baseball, scattering four hits and striking out two. Senior Ryan Rogowski got the final two outs to record the save, stranding a runner on third in the process.

Coach John Salter said the pitching overall has exceeded his expectations, and it shows this team's ability to rise to the occasion.

"We've been showing more maturity," Salter said. "We have some kids who didn't pitch a whole lot last year who are coming in and doing well."

Rogowski entered the game with one out and a runner on second base in the bottom of the seventh, and was able to pitch out of the jam. He struck out the final batter of the game, sending the Shamrocks to their biggest win of the young season.

Monterey pitched an efficient game despite only striking out two batters. South hit into 10 groundballs out a different sign of Monterey's effectiveness on the mound.

"Mike keeps the ball down very well," Salter said. "We got a break on an error that scored our only run."

Tindle scored on an overthrow of third base to give CC its only run of the game. Monterey's sacrifice bunt got Tindle to second, leading up to the run.

"We play them every year, and it is usually a close game," Salter said. "It was a game the kids got up for. Winning a close game like that against a good team definitely does add to your confidence level."

Saturday the team has its first showdown of the season with rival Birmingham Brother Rice, who is also off to a strong start to the season. The Warriors are 4-0 in Catholic League play, and are considered the co-favorites in the league along with CC.

TENNIS RESULTS

PLYMOUTH SALEM 5
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No 1 singles: Ryan Kingsbury (LF) defeated Evan Roller 6-2, 6-4. **No 2:** Jafer Beydoun (LF) def. Mike Ware 6-0, 6-0. **No 3:** Dave Wallen (PS) def. Vira Shukla 6-3, 7-6. **No 4:** Corey Clearmah (LF) def. Dave Daigneau 2-6, 6-1, 6-4.

No 1 doubles: Kyle Jose Pat Shaw (PS) def. Steve Vert Dave Stempfen 6-0, 6-1. **No 2:** Jason Master Sean Williams (PS) def. Ryan Monarch Chris Muldoon 6-2, 6-2. **No 3:** Blake Heidenreich Donald Malik (PS) def. Mo Morris Dan Taylor 6-1, 6-4. **No 4:** Jerry Seiler Jason Lewis (PS) def. Matt Vicini Matt Williams 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

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Canton ready for solid softball season

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A lot has changed with Plymouth Canton's softball team. Four outfielders from last season's squad have graduated. So has pitcher Katie Conlon and shortstop Angie Neu. Replacing five starters, including your No. 1 pitcher — that sounds like trouble. But Canton coach Jim Arnold was hopeful, at least before the Chiefs' season-opener Monday at Westland John Glenn.

After a 9-1 victory, he was even more optimistic.

He had every reason to be. Pitcher Renee Ross, a junior who played sparingly on the varsity last season, tossed a one-hitter, striking out 10 and walking two.

Canton also totaled 14 hits in the game, with four players collecting more than one. That's something that rarely occurred last season.

Indeed, that was the Chiefs' biggest problem in 2001. They put together a 16-14 campaign, but had problems hitting the ball.

The hope is Monday's game was an indication things would be different. "We hope so," said Arnold. "We think with all the

Chiefs solid at Pioneer meet

A meet like this is as much a scouting mission as anything else — a look at what some other pretty good teams have and how your guys stack up against them.

At last Saturday's Ann Arbor Pioneer Quad Meet, a non-scoring affair that also featured Pioneer, Redford Catholic Central and Pinckney Plymouth Canton did pretty well.

The Chiefs came away with a couple of first-place finishes, quite a few seconds and a whole

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bunch of top fives. The firsts came in the high jump, from Brad Waidmann and Mike Lanus, who tied at 5-feet, 8-inches, and in the shuttle hurdles relay, from Dane Kobus, Pawel Paszkowski, Steve Kiljanczyk and Corey Stewart (1:04.5).

Indeed, if one Chief were to be singled out, Kobus would be the one. He also finished second in the long jump with a career-best 21-0, was second in the 110-meter high hurdles (15.7), and teamed with Corey Walser, Ken Page and Shardale Hearn for a second in the 400 relay (45.4).

Not that there weren't plenty of other standouts for Canton. In the long jump, Page finished third (20-7) and Dan Driscoll was fifth (19-1 3/4). Three Chiefs also scored in the pole vault. Jon Chapman was second (11-0), Driscoll was third (10-0) and Kiljanczyk was fifth (9-0).

Also scoring for Canton in the 110 hurdles were Paszkowski, fourth (16.1) and Kiljanczyk, fifth (16.5). Kiljanczyk and Stewart both scored in the 300 hurdles, Kiljanczyk placing third in a career-best 45.0, with Stewart finishing fourth (45.2).

Walser was second in the 200 (23.1) and fourth in the 100 (11.5), while Hearn took a fifth in the 100 (11.6). Aaron Lanning was fifth in the 800 (2:12.3) and Brian Soash ended up fifth in the 400 (54.2).

Soash, Matt Trevarthen, Jesse Williams and John Szlms took a second in the 1,600 relay (3:43.4), Lanning, Casey Maloney, Ray Eisbrenner and Brandon McClellan were third in the 3,200 relay (8:52.7), and Hearn, Driscoll, Szlms and Walser finished third in the 800 relay (1:36.2).

On Thursday, Canton hosts Walled Lake Western in a key Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division dual meet — and in this one, team scores will matter.

OUTLOOK

athletes we have, we should do better than last year."

A win like Monday's has a way of shrinking those holes that previously seemed so formidable. It helps, too, having a player like Jonelle Brown behind the plate. A starter at catcher since she was a freshman, Brown — a junior — is a team captain.

Other players with varsity

experience are first baseman Maggie O'Connell, a senior, second baseman Megan Coultas, a senior and another team captain, third baseman Pam Hudson, a senior, utility player/shortstop Megan Coultas, a senior and the third team captain, and outfielders Leslie Garleneau and Laura Ulmer, both seniors.

Some promising newcomers are Caitlin McNicholas, a junior who will see time at shortstop, and Colleen O'Brien, a junior who looks good in center field.

"She's coming on real strong," said Arnold of O'Brien. "She's a hard worker, extremely dedicated."

That type of description, in and of itself, is something Arnold hopes will spread throughout his team.

"I was very pleased with the togetherness of this team and the hard work," he said. "As far as weaknesses, after Monday's win he had little to offer. There's nothing concerning us with weaknesses," Arnold said.

"They work hard and the athletic ability is there."

Still, the experience level isn't as great. Arnold believes that can be handled, however. The versatility this team offers should help a great deal.

"We've got a number of ballplayers who can play multiple positions," he said. "A lot of players can play anywhere."

The Chiefs didn't have that capability previously. Having players able to fill in at different spots will give Arnold more

options. Versatility isn't their only strength. Defense should be solid, Arnold thought, and he's hoping the hitting has improved. "We've worked real hard on our hitting," he insisted.

Whether or not it will be enough to challenge Western Lakes Activities Association powers like Livonia Churchill, Walled Lake Central and North Farmington remains to be seen. But it would seem the Chiefs are off to a good start.

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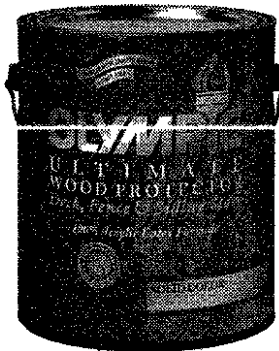
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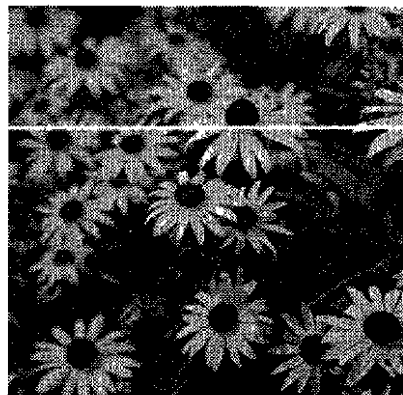
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Churchill coach steps down

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The search is on for a new boys basketball coach at Livonia Churchill following the resignation last week of Rick Austin.

Austin, 36, 89 in six seasons with the Chargers will remain as the school's varsity boys track coach.

Austin cited "family commitment" considerations for his resignation.

"I could foresee not being able to spend more time with my wife, my kids, and the kids on the basketball team, and it wouldn't be fair to either," Austin said. "That was my main motivation."

Churchill is coming off a 5-16 season in 2001-02. Austin's best year was 10-10 in 1999-2000.

"It wasn't losing that drove me out," Austin said. "I enjoyed the preparation that went into

the game day, the practices, and watching kids develop. I had a ball doing it. I had supportive parents and the kids I had were great. I loved every minute of it."

"I also felt fortunate that I was in a situation that we were competitive most nights. Basically that's what coaching is all about. And watching skill and character development made it great fun for me."

Austin's successor is anybody's guess.

Junior varsity coach Rod Wandle already coaches the Churchill varsity girls basketball team. Two potential candidates are assistants Matt Grodzicki, who coached the freshman squad, and Keith McDonald.

"We'll look immediately for a replacement," Churchill athletic director Marc Hage said. "Rick had a team meeting (Monday) with the kids and he told them what his intention was. And there's also summer

camp considerations that have to be addressed."

Austin had hinted during the past year that this could be his last varsity basketball season.

"It's tough running two varsity programs at the level he wants to be at," Hage said. "He felt he couldn't give the time commitment."

"I respect the job Rick did and I was very satisfied. I wish him well. He's a great colleague and a great friend. I have nothing but good to say about him. He's as good as any as far as molding kids into good citizens."

Austin, a Churchill graduate, was a standout high school hurdler who ran track at Central Michigan University. He took over the Churchill varsity job after Tom Lang stepped down following the 1995-96 season.

Austin formerly was an assistant coach at Dearborn High School.

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there, forcing the Rocks into mistakes

The first came just four minutes into the second half. A ball cleared by Salem over the end line gave Northville a corner kick. Whitney Guenther took it, arcing the ball into the box. Dunmead got a foot on it, but the ball was blocked and rebounded back to Stephanie Robbins. Her shot from 15 yards in front of the goal got over Jones and into the net, giving the Mustangs a 1-0 lead with 34:55 remaining.

Northville's play had picked up in the second half. "The girls were getting a jump on it," said Meteyer.

But the goal also awoke Salem. For one of the few times in the match, the Rocks mounted a consistent, threatening attack, and it paid dividends.

With less than 27 minutes left, the Rocks' pressure resulted in an indirect kick deep in the Northville end. The ball bounced inside the box, a Mustang defender's attempt to clear it failing. Sarkesian retrieved the ball and, from about 18 yards, popped a shot over keeper Tai Seelfo. Nikki Anderson assisted on the goal, which tied the score at 1-all with 26:17 left.

The inspiration supplied to Salem by the first Northville goal was reversed after the Rocks scored. The Mustangs started to step it up, another corner kick by Guenther bouncing free in front of the Rocks' goal, resulting in a shot that banged off the post before Jones smothered it.

They weren't so fortunate on Northville's next corner. This one was textbook. Guenther sent the ball into the box, 10 yards in

front of the goal, and Dunmead headed it past Jones for the eventual game-winner with 18:02 to play.

As big a match as it might have seemed, in terms of the WLAA it really meant very little, since Northville is in the Western Division and Salem's in the Lakes. Bigger games are ahead for both, the Mustangs face Plymouth Canton Wednesday at Canton, with the winner emerging as the favorite to play for the WLAA championship.

Their opponent in the title game will likely be the winner of the Livonia Stevenson-Salem match, which will be May 6.

"This is just something to tell you what's coming down the road," said Meteyer.

After last night's match, there's nothing certain where that road will lead.

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from a Wisconsin school

While the Rocks were tough in singles play, it was the Chiefs who had the edge in doubles. Or so it was thought.

Their best was at No. 1, where Mike Han and Brad Kreger defeated Salem's Kyle Jose and Pat Shaw 6-2, 6-3. "They have a real good No. 1 doubles," said Nelson. "It might take a (Ann Arbor) Pioneer or a North (Farmington) to beat them."

No. 2 doubles was no easy chore for the Chiefs. The Rocks' team of Jeff Sibbold and Sameer Dohadwala took Canton's Spike Wagner and Jeremy Romer the distance, but in the end Wagner and Romer came out on top, overcoming a 4-2 Salem lead in the final set to win by a 6-4, 3-6, 6-4 margin.

Lehman had said she needed to establish her No. 4 doubles, and against Salem the Chiefs could-

n't do it. The Rocks' Pat Tokarski and Jason Razzo bested Canton's Duke Kapelanski and Mike Curd 6-3, 6-3.

"We have to get more production out of our No. 1 and No. 2 doubles, that's all," said Nelson.

Lehman's attention was at the other end of the doubles' spectrum. "Our three and four teams did not play together until last week," she noted. "I've seen a lot of improvement since then."

"Our No. 1 doubles played great. They did a nice job, but we expect that of them. And I was very happy with our No. 2 doubles."

The Chiefs did close the gap on the Rocks — slightly. On Saturday, they'll get the chance again when they meet Salem, Novi and Brighton in Novi. "We'll see if we can pull that one out," said Lehman.

Progress — that's the key to success.

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proven herself to be a tough inside player. A capable perimeter shooter with three-point range makes her that much more dangerous offensively. "Lou is an inside-out player," said Thomann. "One of her strengths is getting the ball outside and finishing at the rim. She's got a nice outside shot, she's got good size, she rebounds well, and she has long arms. She'll have a nice chance to bloom in that program."

"That program" at OU earned an NCAA Tournament berth last season. The Lady Grizzlies finished the season 17-14, losing to Vanderbilt in the first round. As for Liebau, the situation looks promising. OU loses just two players to graduation, although one is leading scorer Sarah Judd (20.2 points, 8.2 rebounds).

Even that isn't all bad, as far as Liebau is concerned. Judd was a 5-11 forward, same

approximate size as Liebau. "Coach (Beckie Francis) indicated to me they needed an inside rebounder," said Liebau. "They always wanted someone to be more intense."

"I'm on the floor all the time going for loose balls and she liked that."

Diving for loose balls and rebounding weren't the only assets of Liebau's that attracted OU. Team coaches had watched Liebau and noted her ability to score inside, after seeing she had the ability to score from the perimeter, they were convinced. "She can score, she runs the court well, she defends and she rebounds," said Thomann.

What attracted Liebau to OU was the new campus and the team atmosphere. "Yeah, I'm really excited," she admitted. "One of my big goals was to play Division I."

"I had always thought about going out of state, but Oakland

was a lot like our team."

What Liebau thought was a key to Salem's success last season was that "the players were really close. Everyone got along." The Grizzlies have the same type of atmosphere. "Their team is a lot like Salem's," said Liebau.

Not just in chemistry. Liebau researched the team and found fundamentals were stressed.

She also knows she has elements of her own game to improve. "Personally, my goal is to get better on defense, to improve my footwork," Liebau said.

Success won't come easily to either Jaskot or Liebau.

"Both of them will have to adjust to the Division I level," Thomann said. "Those kids will have to work their butts off."

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Canton, Salem win WLAA openers

After a bit of a setback Saturday, Plymouth Canton's soccer team got on track Monday with a 4-0 win at Walled Lake Western in a Western Lakes Activities Association match.

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On Saturday, the Chiefs lost 2-0 at Troy. The split left Canton with a 1-1-1 record.

Four different players scored goals in the victory over the Warriors. Katie Raker had a goal and also assisted on a score by Rachel Perry. Other goals were netted by Andrea Johnson, the assist going to Stephanie Johnson, and Erica Aherns. Molly Priebe assisted on Raker's goal.

Salem 4, W.L. Central 1: Plymouth Salem opened up its WLAA campaign with a winning performance against Walled Lake Central Monday at Salem.

Nikki Anderson scored two goals to lead the Rocks. Katie Boyd and Sarah Schupra also had goals, with Janae Bucks assisting on both. Rachelle Marshall had an assist on Anderson's first goal as Salem built a 2-0 halftime lead.

"We carried the play most of the game," said Salem coach Joe Nora. "We played a really nice possession game. The girls are coming along. They took one more step toward where we want to be come tournament time."

Which is definitely one step further than they were last Saturday when the Rocks tied Saline, 1-1, in a non-league game. Schupra scored Salem's only goal, giving them a 1-0 lead at halftime. Anderson assisted.

"It was a hard fought game," said Nora. "We definitely didn't have our best effort. We struggled with the game, but we played hard while struggling, if that makes any sense."

"Saline was tough, they played us physical."

Ladywood 1, Notre Dame Prep 1: Sunni Grezlik's goal from Sandy Swish midway through the second half Tuesday enabled host Livonia Ladywood (1-0-2) to earn a Catholic League tie with Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (0-1-1).

Ross' 1-hitter lifts Chiefs in opener

Nice start
Plymouth Canton softball coach Jim Arnold admitted he entered Monday's season opener at Western Lakes Activities Association rival Westland John Glenn with reservations regarding his pitching. After all, he lost last year's ace, Katie Conlon, to graduation.

Any lingering doubts were eased substantially by junior Renee Ross' performance. Ross tossed a one-hitter, giving up two walks and striking out 10 as the Chiefs stopped Glenn 9-1.

It wasn't just Ross' pitching that buoyed Canton's hopes. The Chiefs had 14 hits in the game, with Lisa Sprankle and Kim Diedrich getting three apiece and Pam Hudson and Colleen O'Brien adding two each. O'Brien also had two runs batted in, while Diedrich had one.

Devon Ross had the only hit for John Glenn. The pitching loss went to Ruthann Kietlyka.

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Franklin 3, Salem 1: Livonia Franklin junior pitcher Nikki Zabkiewicz gave up five straight hits and a run to start the game, but was nearly flawless the rest of the way Monday as the Patriots (3-0) turned back visiting Plymouth Salem (0-1) in a WLAA crossover.

Zabkiewicz got out of the bases-loaded, no-out jam by surrendering only one earned run, singled in by Kelly Jaskot. She followed that by pitching six scoreless innings, striking out seven and allowing just one walk the rest of the way.

Franklin scored twice in the fourth inning on an RBI triple by sophomore right fielder Katie Meyer followed by Stephanie Smith's RBI single. Meyer also knocked in an insurance run in

the sixth with groundout Zabkiewicz, Smith and Beth Mosier each collected two hits for the Patriots. Jaskot had two hits and an RBI for Salem, while Maggie Tudor had a double.

Jill Posler worked the first 5 1/3 innings for the Rocks and took the loss.

"It's not exactly the way I wanted to start off the season," said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland. "It can only get better from here. There are things we have to work on, but for the first game it was disappointing."

Clarenceville 10, Agape 9: Freshman Autumn Belcher had two hits and three RBI Monday, including the game-winning RBI single in the bottom of the seventh to give host Livonia Clarenceville (1-1) the non-league victory over Canton Agape Christian.

The victorious Trojans collected a total of 20 hits to give coach Joe

DeCaire his first varsity coaching win.

Emily Collins, Whitney Kubera and Amy Nestor each had three hits for the Trojans. Collins scored three runs and knocked in two. Nestor also had two RBI.

Sara Bishop's RBI single in the seventh knotted the count at 9-all. She finished with two hits and two RBI.

Clarenceville hurler Nicole Martin, who went the distance, gave up 12 hits to pick up the win.

Amy Henry took the loss. She also went seven innings.

Henry, Lindsay Gant and Tarah Armbruster each collected two hits for Agape.

Ladywood 7-7, Divine Child 0-6: On Monday, Livonia Ladywood junior pitcher Shawn Fallon no-hit Dearborn Divine Child in the opener and the host Blazers (2-1) held on for dear life in the nightcap to earn the double-header

sweep. Fallon struck out eight and walked five.

The Falcons scored their two runs in the third on three walks and a Ladywood error.

Mindy Mitchell led the Ladywood offensive attack with two hits and three RBI. Dawn Rini and Patty Kolinski also chipped in with two hits apiece.

In the nightcap, Ladywood led 7-0 before Divine Child mounted a six-run rally with two outs.

Liz Malek came on for sophomore starter Cory Sandrowicz to pick up the save. Sandrowicz allowed eight hits, struck out eight and walked one in 6 2/3 innings.

Erin Hulett had two hits and two RBI for the Blazers. Kolinski also contributed two hits, while Jenny Walkuski had a 2-run single in the second inning for the Blazers.

Trip to Augusta was well worth cost

I got a good pair of running shoes trashed Saturday — caked with red clay — and I didn't care. That's because I was walking on muddy, yet hallowed ground — Augusta National Golf Club.

Been to the PGA, U.S. Senior Open and the U.S. Open — all at Oakland Hills. But this event has its own flavor, the stamp of Augusta National is written all over it.

I came away with several impressions. The field is obviously star-studded. Where can you find a threesome like Duval, Els and Norman, not to mention the best international players in the world?

Palmer strolling up No. 18 for his final appearance at Augusta made your hair stand up.

The fairways are not immaculate; they're perfect. Lots of rolling hills, too.

You can buy a real ham and cheese sandwich a bag of chips and a Sprite in a Masters plastic cup for \$3.75.

At the U.S. Open it would probably cost \$13.75.

When you enter the main spectator gate your badge is scanned and you immediately you walk into a mall featuring a museum, concession area, souvenir shop and beer stand. It's organized very well.

No placards or scorekeepers on the fairway, but you can follow the scoring on those giant leaderboards.

The spectators are very reverent. Saw John Elway in the gallery.

The best place to watch is at the No. 5 green, No. 6 par-3 tee box and No. 7 tee box. You can also see the back of the No. 15 green because it's all in the same location.

Logistically, Amen Corner is tough to get to.

The par 5s look like par-6s to me.

Davis Love III hit a vicious duck-hook second shot on No. 2 and scrambled back for a birdie.

Jesper Parnevik has a style all his own.

The only Masters souvenirs are sold at the course.

Despite the mobs around Tiger Woods, he seems to acknowledge his followers and enjoys walking in and through the galleries.

I've worked the NBA finals, run the New York City Marathon, been to the Olympics, Indy 500, Rose Bowl, the Masters, and interviewed Joe Paterno.

What's your next wish? Wimbledon.

Prep rumbings

Livonia Clarenceville is moving up from Class C to Class B, but the only sport it will really affect is boys and girls basketball.

There's a proposal on the table discussed recently by the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (MIAAA) about seeding teams in the districts for girls and boys basketball. It's been done without any problems and with great success for years in Ohio. My guess it will pass. The coaches will vote on the seeding. The motivation behind the move is to eliminate powerhouse teams from meeting in the first round.

Could they also seed teams in hockey, baseball, softball, volleyball?

Speaking of hockey, who is going to be the new coach at Stevenson? Our All Area girls gymnastics team will be running soon.

Looking forward to the 100-meter dash next month at the Observerland Relays.

This & That

I've been a voter for the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame for years and never been invited to the banquet. I must be making progress, however, because I was extended interview privileges prior to the cocktail hour.

Thanks a lot, Tim Shaw.

I never vote for professional athletes unless they grew up in this state or have become a Detroit sports icon like an Isiah Thomas, Barry Sanders, Steve Yzerman, etc.

As much as I like this year's inductees Gates Brown and Lance Parrish, I think there are more worthy born and bred Michiganders who deserve to be up on that wall at Cobo Hall. I hope guys like Terry Tyler and John Long, when they become eligible, get strong consideration. Those two guys played high school, collegiate and pro ball in this state.

Sorry, that's the way I feel. Read that Michigan and Michigan State came out of spring football unsure about the kicking game. I know a pretty good kicker-punter from Livonia Franklin that may be still be available.

I hate when they use term "city champs" when they don't include all Livonia high schools, including Clarenceville and Ladywood, in the competition.

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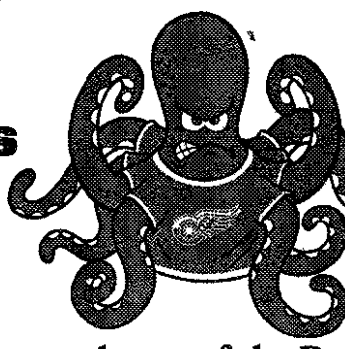
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I will be posting those winning teams in the next few editions, so be sure to identify all team members and list their hometowns

I had been wanting to visit the newest bowling center in our area, now open in Walled Lake

I had the extra time and was nearby, so I went to Langan's All-Star Lanes, located on Ladd Road between Maple Road and Pontiac Trail (formerly the site of L&L Grocery)

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The Langan family has been in the bowling business for a long time in this area

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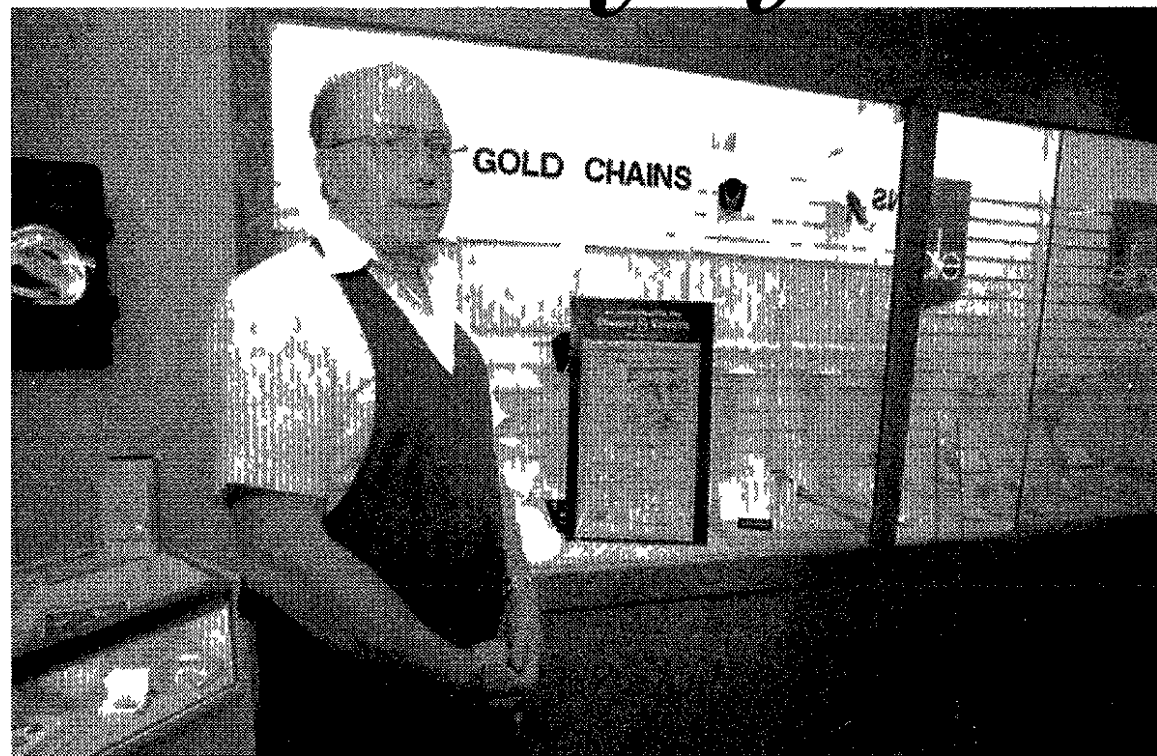
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It also helps to have an interest, even if its only a passing interest, in a variety of subjects. Naturalists typically are not interested in just one group of living organisms

Just by the very word "naturalist," it implies that the person is interested in nature. Nature includes so many subjects and topics it's hard to explore them all in one lifetime

I've found a well-rounded person has many interests and is seldom bored because no matter where they are and what they do, they find something of interest

By having a variety of interests in the natural world, no matter where you go you will likely find something of interest

But you have to be observant! On a recent trip to Florida, my family and I took a short, self-guided air-boat ride along a river

on the outskirts of Orlando

While waiting our turn in the parking lot, we enjoyed watching the Anolis lizards climbing up the trees and sometimes falling down from the trees

It was amazing to see how well camouflaged they were against the bark of the live oak trees, or the dead leaves on the ground

Our observations even extended into the men's room. A wheel bug was walking on the trash basket, so I brought it out on a sheet of paper for everyone to see

When we got our boat, and after I got the "hang" of pushing the steering rod forward to go right and back to go left, we proceeded, generally, forward

Our first big land mark was the overpass of a major road. Our goal was to see some wildlife but the area was not exactly wild

Since our time was limited to an hour I decided to ask the people in a returning boat if they had seen any wildlife. Their response was "no," which did not sound encouraging

But as we proceeded and became familiar with the surroundings, we began to see more than the returning boat

An adult white ibis was our first sighting and then we saw a half brown and half white juvenile. They must have been accustomed

to the air-boat because we were able to get quite close

One of the nice features of an air-boat is that it allows access to very shallow waters

Though the cove we explored had dense aquatic vegetation, we were still able to see the long, narrow body of the Florida gar. Some were 12-14 inches long, while a couple were close to 30 inches long

It did not take much effort or time for them to disappear in the vegetation with their spotted coloration

In addition to gar we saw large turtles, bass, carp and sunfish in the shallow water

All the time we were also catching glimpses of green from dragonflies called pondhawks and red from the roseate skimmers flying nearby

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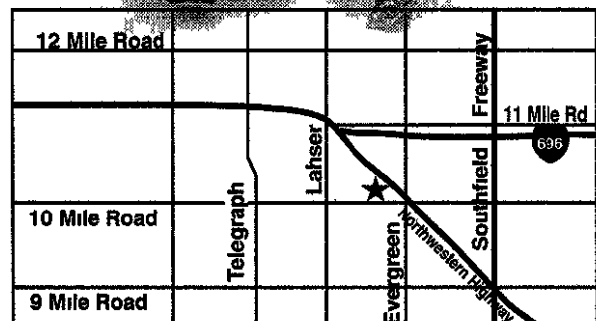
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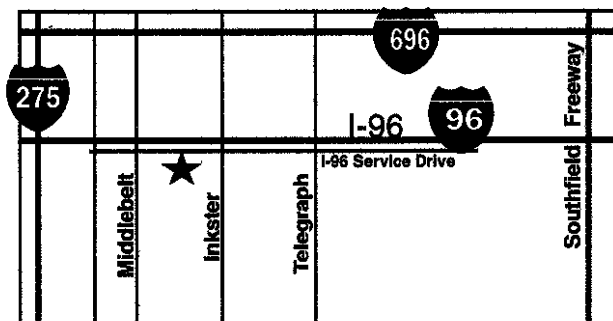
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SPORTS ROUNDUP

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Canton Cardinals 10-and-under travel baseball team, which will play 36 games in the Little Caesars League and various tournaments (including the state tournament), is having tryouts.

For tryout information, call Chris Tidwell at (734) 495-9767.

SCHOOLCRAFT VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

Schoolcraft College will offer a series of summer volleyball camps, directed by Ocelot women's coach Tom Teeters, for players ages 8 through adult.

There will be two sessions for all skills, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday, July 8-11 and July 15-18, spikers training, July 15-18, serving and defense training, July 8-11, setters training, July 15-18, and elite all skills, July 8-11.

The camps will be held at Schoolcraft's Physical Education Building, 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile roads.

The cost for beginners and intermediate players for each session is \$90 (\$85 for each additional family member or groups of 10 or more).

A \$30 non-refundable deposit is required upon registration with full payment due on or before the first day of each session.

The cost for elite camps is \$125 (\$115 if registered by June 14, or for each additional family member or groups of 10 or more).

There is a \$10 discount for any additional session for beginners, intermediate or elite camp sessions.

For more information, call (734) 462-4400, Ext 5564 or 5607.

SCHOOLCRAFT SOCCER SCHOOLS

Schoolcraft College will be offering a series of summer soccer schools for boys and girls ages 5-16, 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, July 15-20, 22-27, July 29-Aug 3, Aug 5-10.

The staff is headed by Dominic Scicluna, head men's soccer coach at Schoolcraft, along with Mario and Tino Scicluna.

The cost for beginner and intermediate players is \$110 per session (\$100 for each additional family member or groups of 10 or more).

The fee for advanced players is \$135 per session (\$125 if registered by June 15 or for groups of 10 or more).

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For more information, call (734) 462-4400, Ext 5249 or 5255.

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Schoolcraft College's Continuing Education Services is offering a seven-week yoga and Tai Chi class to improve your golf game beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, May 8.

The fee is \$60. The class examines the mechanics of your golf swing using components found in yoga,

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For more information, call (734) 462-4413.

Schoolcraft is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, located between Six and Seven Mile roads just west of I-275.

WOMEN'S SOCCER LEAGUE

The Great Lakes Women's Soccer League is seeking players for the outdoor season, Sunday evenings, June through August, for 18-and-up competitive, 30-and-up competitive and recreational.

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For more information, call (248) 624-7515 or fax (734) 207-1656, or visit www.GLWSL.com.

MEN'S BASEBALL LEAGUE

Players between the ages of 18 and 28 are needed for the new Men's Amateur Baseball League in southeast Michigan. Anyone interested in playing should contact Doug Zuba at 734-383-3402.

EMU YOUTH FOOTBALL CLINIC

The Eastern Michigan University football coaches will host a youth football clinic 1:30-4 p.m. Sunday, May 5, at Rynearson Stadium in Ypsilanti for kids ages 8 to 14.

Each participant will receive a T-shirt, two tickets to the home opener against Toledo on Sept. 7 and a tour of the team locker room and weight room.

The cost is \$10 before April 15 and \$15 after that date. All groups or teams of 10 or more will be charged \$10 a person.

The coaches, including head coach Jeff Woodruff, will teach basic skills and techniques to become an improved player. For more information call (734) 487-5642.

MS LONGEST DAY OF GOLF

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is sponsoring the MS Longest Day of Golf throughout the month of May to raise awareness and funds to benefit the Michigan Chapter of the NMSS.

Participants are asked to organize a foursome, call the National MS Society at 1-800-FIGHT MS or visit it online at www.nmssm.org, pick a course and a day in May, register, raise pledges and get ready to play golf all day.

The event will raise money for research, programs and services for people living with MS, a chronic, often disabling disease of the central nervous system. More information call Amber Ackley at (248) 350-0020, ext 215.

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

Home run barrage can't save MU

BASEBALL

Eric Lightle clubbed two home runs. Chris Woodruff had one, too. And Madonna University built a 9-4 lead through six innings Tuesday in its non-league baseball game against Bethel College at Livonia's Ford Field.

And then the Pilots trimmed the deficit to 9-6 after seven, then demolished it with a seven-run eighth inning as they eventually toppled Madonna, 16-11.

The loss left Madonna at 14-18 overall. Bethel is 17-11.

Lightle (from Livonia Churchill) finished with two homers, giving him four for the season, and four runs batted in. Woodruff (Livonia/Redford Catholic Central) had three hits, including his homer, and three

BASEBALL

RBI, Sterling Mintzer had three hits and an RBI, and Devin Cole (Garden City) had two hits and an RBI.

Bethel shredded eight Madonna pitchers for 20 hits, with Nick Treadway, Eric Stults and Jeremy Riffle getting four apiece. Treadway had four RBI and Stults three, while Brad Brunty finished with three hits and two RBI and Greg Kloosterman had two hits and two RBI.

Cole was the losing pitcher, allowing six runs (four earned) on five hits in just 1/3 of an inning. Marcel Guavara tossed three innings of scoreless relief to get the pitching win for the Pilots.

Aquinas 2-7, Madonna 3-1:

The Crusaders managed to get a split with Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference rival Aquinas College Saturday at Livonia's Ford Field.

In the opener, the Crusaders scored three times in the fifth inning, two coming home on a double by Chris Woodruff and another on a single. Eric Lightle, Corey Farner and Adam Kline (CC) combined to make those runs stand up.

Farner started and got the win, allowing two runs on just one hit and two walks over six innings, striking out two. Kline surrendered two hits but no runs in his one inning of relief to earn the save, his fifth of the season. Farner is 1-4. Brandon Bailey

took the loss for Aquinas. Woodruff, Matt Rigley (Redford Union) and Devin Cole each had two hits for Madonna.

The second game wasn't as close. Aquinas, which pushed its record to 21-7 overall (7-3 in the WHAC), scored the game's first seven runs as the Saints' Paul Gillett and Dustin Gless stopped Madonna on six hits. Rigley and Cole had two hits apiece, Cole knocking in the Crusaders only run.

Gillett got the pitching win, improving to 5-0. He allowed no runs on three hits and no walks, striking out five over six innings. Mark Cole (Farmington/CC) took the loss, he surrendered five earned runs on nine hits and three walks over 5 1/3 innings. Madonna is 7-8 in the WHAC.

Tourney trip ends in a split for Madonna

SOFTBALL

Well, Sunday was a bit better for Madonna University's softball team — but not much.

The Lady Crusaders had a rough start on Saturday at the University of St. Francis (Johet, Ill.) Tournament, losing two of three games.

McKendree University (Lebanon, Ill.) toppled the Lady Crusaders 7-1 in their first game, they rebounded to beat the host Saints 3-1 in their second.

In Madonna's third game Saturday, Grand View College (Des Moines, Iowa) pounded out a 9-5 victory.

On Sunday, the Crusaders started with a 9-6 loss to Iowa Wesleyan.

They followed that with a 1-0 victory over St. Francis College

SOFTBALL

(Fort Wayne, Ind.) The 2-3 tournament run left Madonna with a 14-18 overall record.

In Sunday's 1-0 win over the Cougars, Jenny Tenyer tossed a two-hitter, allowing no walks and striking out five to improve to 5-10.

Madonna's only run scored on Mary Warchuck's solo home run in the second inning. Emily Cunningham contributed two hits.

In their loss to Wesleyan Sunday, Madonna's defense let down, the Crusaders committed five errors, leading to five unearned runs.

Missy VanDoorn took the loss,

giving up four earned runs on 10 hits and three walks, striking out five. Her record is 9-8.

Jamie Bobrowski and Tara Turner led the offense against Wesleyan with two hits and two runs batted in apiece as the Crusaders overcame a 6-0 deficit to tie it at 6-all going into the bottom of the sixth.

However, Wesleyan scored three times in that inning to get the victory.

In Saturday's first game against McKendree, Madonna's only run was knocked in by Warchuck, who had three hits, including two doubles.

Autumn Batyik added two hits. Tenyer was the losing pitcher, allowing seven runs (five earned) on eight hits.

The Crusaders came back to

beat St. Francis (Ill.) with a three-run fifth inning.

Cunningham had three hits in the game and Arin Fowler contributed two with an RBI. Bobrowski also had a hit and an RBI.

VanDoorn got the pitching victory, giving up one run on six hits and a walk, fanning three.

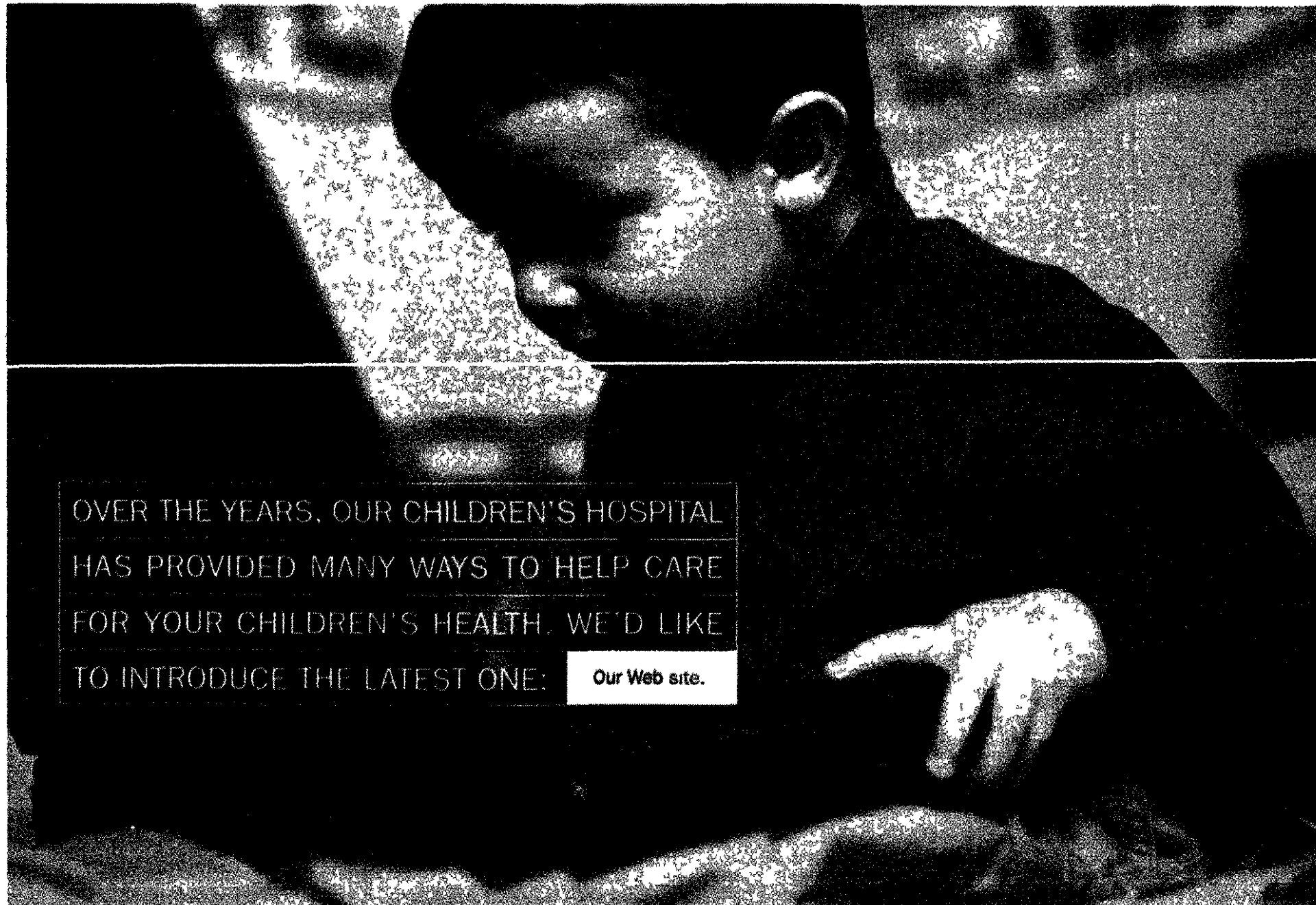
Grand View bunched eight runs in a three-inning span Saturday to down Madonna, which collected 13 hits in the game. Turner had three of them, with Warchuck, Fowler and Batyik getting two apiece.

Fowler and Batyik had one RBI each.

Tenyer was the losing pitcher. She gave up five runs (four earned) on eight hits and one walk in five innings.

THE WEEK AHEAD

<p>PREP BASEBALL Thursday April 18</p> <p>Redford CC at Stevenson 4 p.m. Franklin at Edsel Ford 4 p.m. Huron Valley at Tay Baptist 4:30 p.m. PCA at B.H. Roeper 7 p.m.</p> <p>Friday, April 19</p> <p>Churchill at Salem 4 p.m. Canton at W.L. Central 4 p.m. Garden City at Redford Union 4 p.m. Franklin at Farmington 4 p.m. Harrison at Stevenson 4 p.m. W.L. Western at John Glenn 4 p.m. Luth. West at Luth. East 4:30 p.m. A.A. Greenhills vs. Canton Agape 4:30 p.m. at Griffin Park 2</p> <p>Saturday April 20</p> <p>Wayne at Trav. City Tourney noon (all double-headers unless noted) Redford CC at Brother Rice 11 a.m. Thurston at Taylor Truman 11 a.m. Annapolis at Luth. West 11 a.m. Salem at S. Gate Anderson noon</p> <p>PREP GIRLS SOFTBALL Thursday April 18</p> <p>Clawson at Clarenceville 4:30 p.m. Redford Union at Dearborn 4 p.m. Luth. West at Luth. East 4:30 p.m. Huron Valley at Bethesda 4:30 p.m.</p> <p>Friday April 19</p> <p>Salem at Churchill 4 p.m.</p>	<p>W.L. Central at Canton 4 p.m. Farmington at Franklin 4 p.m. Stevenson at Harrison 4 p.m. John Glenn at W.L. Western 4 p.m. A.A. Greenhills vs. Canton Agape 4:30 p.m. at Griffin Park 2</p> <p>Saturday, April 20</p> <p>Salem at Taylor Tournament 9 a.m. (all double-headers unless noted) Annapolis at Luth. West 11 a.m. Thurston at Taylor Truman 11 a.m. West John Glenn at Garden City 11 a.m. Stevenson at Redford Union 11 a.m. Country Day at Churchill noon</p> <p>PREP BOYS TRACK Thursday April 18</p> <p>Northville at Churchill 3:30 p.m. Romulus at Garden City 4 p.m. Taylor Kennedy at Redford Union 4 p.m. Redford Thurston at Melvindale 4 p.m. Salem at W.L. Central 3:30 p.m. W.L. Western at Canton 3:30 p.m. Harrison at Franklin 3:30 p.m. Stevenson at John Glenn 3:30 p.m. Wayne at Edsel Ford 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday, April 20</p> <p>Dearborn Elks Relays 10 a.m. Crestwood Invitational 10 a.m.</p> <p>PREP GIRLS TRACK Thursday, April 18</p> <p>Churchill at Northville 3:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Romulus at Garden City 4 p.m. Taylor Kennedy at Redford Union 4 p.m. Redford Thurston at Melvindale 4 p.m. Canton at W.L. Western 3:30 p.m. W.L. Central at Salem 3:30 p.m. Franklin at Harrison 3:30 p.m. John Glenn at Stevenson 3:30 p.m.</p> <p>Friday April 19</p> <p>Lahser at Ladywood 4 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday April 20</p> <p>Crestwood Invitational 10 a.m. Chelsea Relays 10 a.m.</p> <p>PREP GIRLS SOCCER Thursday April 18</p> <p>Liggett at Luth. West 4:30 p.m. B.H. Roeper at PCA 4:30 p.m. Ladywood at Manan 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Friday April 19</p> <p>John Glenn at Belleville 4 p.m. Taylor Truman at Garden City 4 p.m. Dearborn at Churchill 7 p.m. Birm. Seaholm at Canton 7 p.m. Wayne at Tay Kennedy 7 p.m. Franklin at Grosse Ile TBA</p> <p>Saturday, April 20</p> <p>Troy Athens at Stevenson 1 p.m. Ladywood at Regina 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>at Schoolcraft College 4 p.m.</p> <p>Friday April 19</p> <p>Franklin at Stevenson 4 p.m. Belleville at Wayne 4 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday April 20</p> <p>Clarkston Invitational 8:30 a.m. Novi Invitational 9 a.m.</p> <p>PREP GIRLS GOLF</p> <p>Thursday April 18</p> <p>Dearborn Invitational 8:30 a.m. Canton vs. Salem at St. Johns 3:30 p.m. Ladywood vs. Manan at Stoney Croft G.C. 3 p.m.</p> <p>Friday, April 19</p> <p>Hartland Invitational 9 a.m. Wayne vs. Monroe at Carrington G.C. 2:30 p.m.</p> <p>MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL (all double-headers)</p> <p>Sunday April 21</p> <p>Madonna vs. Concordia at Ford Field 1 p.m.</p> <p>WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL (all double-headers)</p> <p>Friday, April 19</p> <p>Madonna vs. Cornerstone at Ladywood HS 4 p.m.</p> <p>Saturday April 20</p> <p>Madonna vs. Tri State (Ind.) at Ladywood HS 1 p.m. TBA — time to be announced</p>
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I have been told that if I'm the complainant in a civil rights action involving the Fair Housing Act that I can get punitive damages without necessarily showing that the potential defendant's conduct was bad. Do you have any information?

There is case authority in the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals to the effect that when there is a violation of the Fair Housing Act by refusing to sell property to people with disabilities, that the plaintiff can be entitled to punitive damages without showing that the defendant's conduct was particularly flagrant or malicious. The statute doesn't require a showing of that type of conduct independent of the defendant's state of mind. Simply stated, relief for discriminatory housing practices requires only that a seller be engaged in unlawful discrimination.

We have a resident in our condominium who has been alleged to have indecently exposed himself to his neighbors. Do we have any potential liability for this incident since we've been put on notice of it?

Probably not if you take reasonable measures to avoid this from occurring by calling the police and notifying potential neighbors of the offending co-owner's conduct.

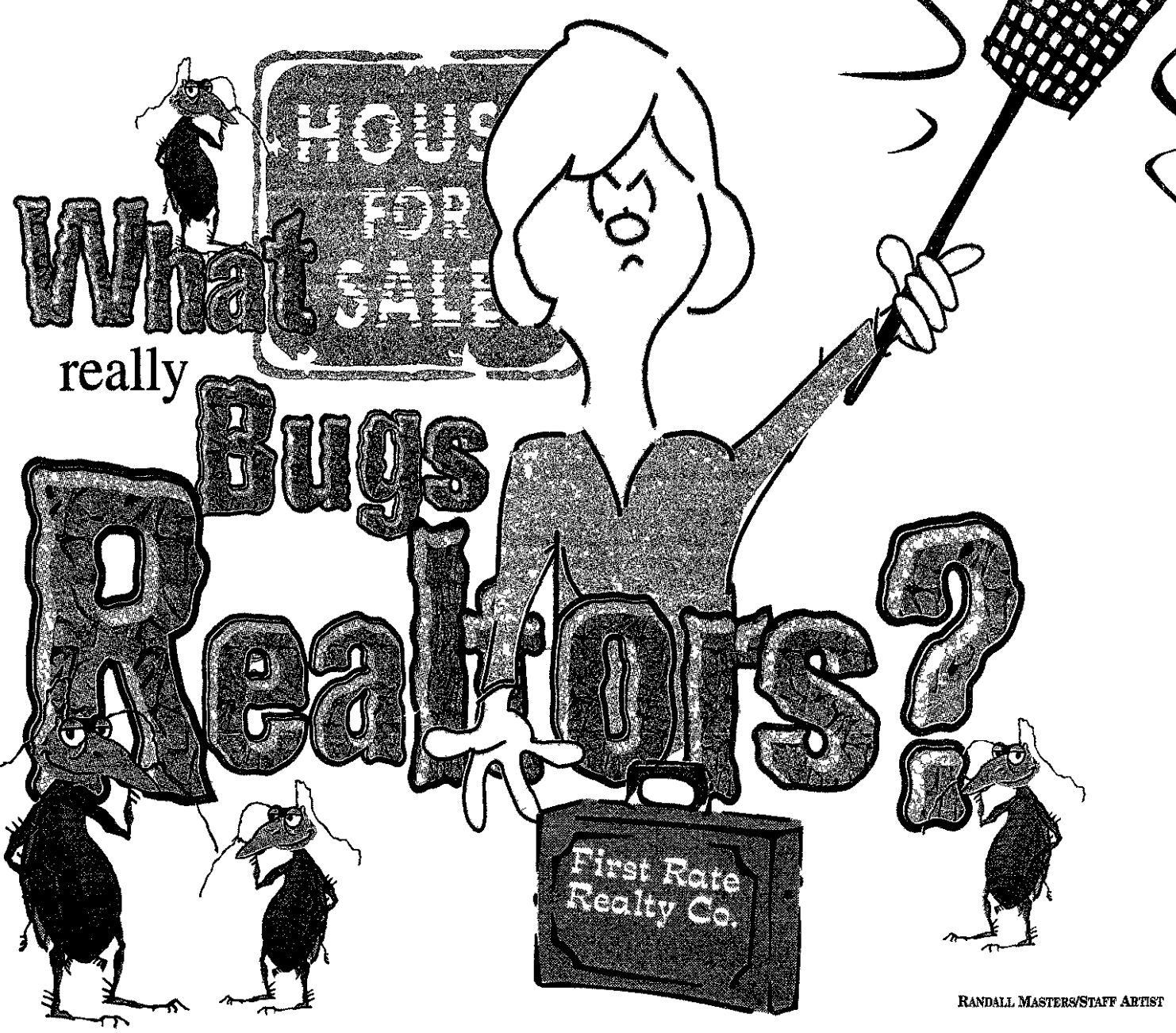
The association should write the offending co-owner to demand that he stop the offensive behavior and to request that any potential victim notify the police.

Other than that, I don't know that the association, based upon a recent California case, may have any additional liability. Consult your attorney concerning particular facts.

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer, concentrates his practice in the areas of condominiums, real estate, corporate law and litigation.

This column provides general information and shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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 - CONDITION OF NEIGHBORING PROPERTIES



BY DOUG FUNKE
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Realtors, for the most part, love what they do. They enjoy the ability to set their own hours, the income potential, the variety of the work and people contacts. But few jobs are perfect. All kinds of things, large and small, bother Realtors. Here are just a few examples presented on the theory that venting can soothe the psyche and we can learn from the experiences of others.

"Probably 80 percent of the lenders out there are awesome," said Shellie Stuetzer, Real Estate One, Clarkston. "But there's some that aren't. They say one thing to a customer and don't follow through. We'll go shopping, then there's a big mistake. They (prospective buyers) need X amount of dollars suddenly or the rates have gone up," Stuetzer said.

"Some not only change the rate, they qualify a customer when they can't be qualified. They want to make them happy. I can sell you a house. But if you don't have the money, you aren't going to get it." Stuetzer's solution is to refer to trustworthy lenders.

"I'll say to a customer, 'Why don't you check out these three? I've used them before and know they will be honest.'" Barb Tabaczka, a Realtor with Prudential Chamberlain Stuehl in Walled Lake, also bemoans the lack of control she and her colleagues have at the mortgage end.

"You kind of hold your breath and hope," she said. "Everyone has 30 days to get a (mortgage) commitment letter. You pull a house off the market and hope it goes through. I had one fall through two days before closing after making five telephone calls."

Shally Williams, a broker with Hannett, Wilson and Whitehouse in Birmingham, has seen a lot of changes over her 25-year career.

"The paperwork is just getting to be more and more and more. Legalties, things you have to do," Williams said.

"I have started using color file systems that help a lot. I use red for listings, blue for people I'm working with and when it becomes a deal, green."

Carol Morency, affiliated with RE/MAX Village Professionals, Rochester Hills, gets back to the people end of the business with her beef

'What bugs me about my work is those Realtors who don't know what they're doing. The drop-out rate is horrendous...I think there's a lot of new Realtors that aren't trained very well.'

Doug Mason
—Realtor, Coldwell Banker Preferred

"I think it's how the public doesn't recognize the value of a Realtor's time. The public expects us to work for them for nothing," Morency said.

"I get a lot of calls from people already working with another agent and they want me to do research work because their agent is busy on vacation or otherwise not available," she said.

"If they're currently working with another Realtor, it's a professional courtesy to refer them back to their Realtor," Morency said. "I don't like to give information to anyone working with another Realtor. I don't want to interfere with the client."

Calvin Pietila, a Realtor with Century 21 Hartford in Farmington, sings a similar tune on what troubles him.

"I guess the fact people don't understand the way we work," he said. "They don't want to commit to one Realtor."

"I try to be upfront to let them know that if they're willing to work with me, I'm willing to work with them. It's a commitment on both parts. If you address that upfront, you don't spin your wheels," Pietila said.

A lack of honesty and loyalty from clients also bugs Sue Abrahams, a Realtor with Cranbrook Associates in West Bloomfield.

"Without that, you can't perform for them," she said. "I don't get paid unless I perform."

Faye Rassey, affiliated with ERA Alliance, Livonia, gets steamed with people who think Realtors are overpaid.

"I explain to them that a Realtor who does the job puts the customer first who provides good service isn't overpaid," Rassey said.

Realtors involved in a transaction and their brokers usually split a negotiable commission, 5-1/2 to 7 percent here.

"Good service is being there for the client, going through all the steps of the process, doing all the explaining, working through the whole deal," Rassey said.

People who telephone for information, but aren't willing to accept help beyond

Home Equity Line of Credit might be for you

To do their job well, mortgage professionals must have a working knowledge of a wide assortment of specialty financial "tools." One such tool is the HELOC, or Home Equity Line of Credit.

Last week, I replaced a cracked coolant hose that ran through my car's firewall to the heater core. This relatively simple task nearly turned into a nightmare as I accidentally dropped the ring clamp down into a narrow crevice. Thankfully, I had the right tool—a long, flexible grabber thing—to help me out of this "tight" situation.

Save time
HELOCs are to borrowers as these grabber devices are to weekend mechanics in that they are both flexible specialty tools that save time and effort, and reduce headaches.

I use HELOCs in a variety of situations. In lieu of costly bridge loans, to help borrowers avoid Private Mortgage Insurance when they smaller down payments, and to give borrowers a tax savvy way to consolidate debt or make home improvements.

HELOCs are very valuable if you need financing, but you do not want to refinance for some reason. HELOCs vary from lender to lender, and they can be written before, during or after closing on a first mortgage. Some lenders will even approve HELOCs based on a borrower's assets, not his income. Many borrowers use HELOCs as they would a credit card to purchase furniture and fixtures for their new home.

Unlike credit cards, though, there's normally a great tax benefit to using HELOCs. Generally larger credit lines mean better interest rates. HELOC rates normally vary based on a margin above the prime rate. That's great news as historically the prime rate never goes crazy. During 2001, the prime rate fell from 9% to less than 5%, and it has not been above 10% since 1989.

Your mortgage broker or banker can help you pick the right HELOC for you. He will know how the monthly interest is calculated, if there is a non-usage or pre-payment penalty, and whether or not the loan has a balloon feature. Call him to see if one makes sense for you.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer in Plymouth. For a free e-newsletter, pre-qualifications or credit assessments, go to www.vlender.com/p1/philiphshq or call (734) 797-5522 [24 hours]. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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BUY HOME CLASS

David McCafferty, affiliated with Real Estate One in Troy, and Carol Jackson of Flagstar Bank present a free class for home buyers 7 p.m. Thursday April 18, at Birmingham Bloomfield Land Title 219 Elm, Birmingham

To register, call (248) 310-2998

BUILDING CHURCH

BRIVAR Construction offers a class on church construction and renovation, "Building with Faith and Understanding," 8 15 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 19, and repeated at the same time Saturday, April 20, at St John Golf & Conference Center, Five Mile and Sheldon, Plymouth

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, lunch and materials, is \$95 for the first person, and \$80 per additional attendee from the same church

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CONDO CLASS

Robert M. Meisner, a lawyer and O&E columnist, teaches a class, "Advanced Condominium Operation: The Essentials for Success," 7 p.m. Tuesdays, April 23-May 14, at Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph Road Suite 467, Bingham Farms

Cost is \$95 To register, call (248) 471 7729 or (248) 644 4433

MOLD CONCERNS

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan presents a program, "Avoiding Mold in New Construction," as part of a general membership meeting 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, at the Southfield Westin, 1500 Town Center

Cost, which includes lunch, is \$35 for members, \$50 for non-members To register, call (248) 862 1033

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Matt Kenkel, associate broker with ERA Alliance in Farmington Hills, and West Bloomfield Community Education, offer a class, "For Sale by Owner," 7-9 15 p.m. Wednesday, April 24, at Orchard Lake Middle School

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BIA presents a two-day class for new home sales personnel, "Lifestyle Merchandising, Advertising and Promotion Strategies," Wednesday-Thursday, April 24-25, at its headquarters, 30375 Northwestern, Suite 100, Farmington Hills

Cost, which includes breakfast and lunch, is \$349 for BIA sales and marketing council members, \$399 for regular BIA and Apartment Association of Michigan members and \$549 for non-members

To register, call (248) 862-1033

CAREER CLASS

Keller Williams Realty Livonia hosts a series of free classes on how to get into real estate 10 a.m. Friday, April 26, at its office, 31500 Schoolcraft

To register, call (734) 266-9000

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The Michigan Mortgage Lenders Association sponsors a free Homebuyer Education Event 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 27, at the University of Detroit Mercy Cahhan Hall, McNichols at Livonia, Detroit

Workshops, scheduled for 9 30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 12 30 p.m., will focus on ownership overview, repairing credit, financing, and saving for a down payment

For more information, contact MMLA at (248) 356-6857

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Oakland Home Builders and Bloomfield Hills Community Education offer a comprehensive 16-hour class, "How to Build Your Own Home," 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 30-May 9, at Andover High School

Topics include estimating costs, building codes/permits and construction basics

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BASEMENT REMODELING

Oakland Builders Institute and Livonia Community Education offer an eight-hour basement remodeling class 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, May 7 and 9, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia

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The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit is looking for nominees for its annual leadership awards People or firms employed or doing business in the housing industry - sales, rentals, condos, lending, insuring, appraising - are eligible

Nominating forms, available from the Fair Housing Center at

(313) 963-1274, are due June 1

CAREER CLASS II

Real Estate One presents a free class on how to get into residential real estate sales noon to 1 15 p.m. every Wednesday through June at its Farmington Hills office, 32961 Middlebelt at 14 Mile

To register, call Steve Leibhan at (248) 851-4100 Ext 405

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The Building Owners and Managers International has released a CD-ROM, "The Property Professional's Guide to Building Energy Performance"

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BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details

CONTAMINATION SITES

VISTAinfo, a publicly owned company based in San Diego, has a Web site that offers a free overview of environmental conditions - contaminated waste sites, hazardous waste locations and landfills - by ZIP code

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Fred Spencer joins Farmington Hills-based Etkin Skanska, a construction, architectural and engineering firm as a senior project manager

Spencer has a bachelor's degree in civil engineering from Bucknell University and brings 30 years experience to Etkin Skanska He previously worked for Barton Malow



Fred Spencer

a more memorable one Robert F. McCoole is chief executive officer, Paul Lemley, senior vice president and general manager

The new Midfield Terminal Parking Garage at Detroit Metro Airport is among the firm's recent projects

Spencer lives in Southfield

Alberici Constructors is the new name of the former JS Alberici Construction Co in Livonia

The new name reflects change within the company and a desire to shorten the moniker into

Wende Markey Borema and Carolyn Chaben, principals of Borema-Chaben Co in Farmington Hills, have been installed into membership in the Institute of Real Estate Marketing

The designation is bestowed for achievement in marketing new homes by the institute and the National Association of Home Builders

Borema holds a bachelor's degree and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Michigan She has 15 years experience in the field and has served as chairwoman of the sales and marketing council for the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan

Chaben holds a bachelor's degree in marketing from Northwood Institute She has 11 years experience and also has served as chairwoman of the sales and marketing council

SmithGroup, an architecture, engineering and planning firm in Detroit, has been selected as architect for the renovation and expansion of the current library and a classroom building at Michigan Technological University in Houghton

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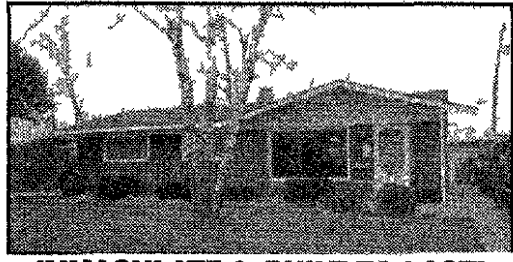
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Nonfamily households increase in metro suburbs

(AP) - Suburban life is at a crossroads. Not only are suburbs inching farther away from city hubs, they no longer are dominated by the married-with-children crowd.

Nonfamily households - homes headed by young, single professionals or elderly widows, for instance - now outnumber married couples with kids in the suburbs of the nation's largest metropolitan areas.

The days of *Ozzie and Harriet*-type families ruling the 'burbs are gone, said demographer William Frey. Just mom, dad and the kids lived under the same roof on that popular 1950s sitcom.

"This is a wave of the future," Frey said. "Suburbs are becoming much more diverse in terms

of lifestyle."

Take Leesburg, Va., a Washington suburb with a historic downtown district just a few miles from a giant, bustling shopping outlet. Nearby, new housing developments stand on what once was farmland.

"It's incredible how things have changed since I moved up here. The traffic has tripled. Everywhere we look there are a lot of town homes going up," said retiree Christine Reed, who moved to Leesburg nearly three years ago after her husband died.

The transition poses challenges for officials in many fast-growing counties struggling to balance the needs of their oldest residents against those of their newest.

"It's a tremendous drain on the available housing, because we have different kinds of demands," said Jacqueline Byers, research director for the National Association of Counties.

Overall, the 2000 census showed suburbs continuing to attract all types of families, especially in the older industrial urban centers of the Northeast and Midwest.

In the nation's 102 largest metropolitan areas, "nonfamilies" comprised 29 percent of households in 2000, up from 27 percent in 1990.

While the number of married-with-children homes grew, too, the share did not keep pace. It declined from 28 percent to 27 percent.

Married couples without chil-

dren at home live in another 29 percent of suburban households. The remaining 15 percent are households such as single-parent homes.

Some of the demographic change came about because of divorce, a rise in single-parent homes or the death of a spouse, said Frey, an author of a Brookings Institution report that analyzed the metropolitan area data.

Brookings is a Washington-based think tank.

Also, children of the giant baby boom generation have aged and most have left home, leaving empty-nest parents.

At the same time, young professionals have moved to escape high city rents or stay closer to jobs in sprawling suburban office parks.

Much of the change occurred over the last 15 years, with jobs at the heart of the transition, Byers said. In the Northeast and Midwest, single people and new families aren't moving into older suburbs that had been quickly populated by baby boom families in the 1950s.

Consequently, more longtime elderly residents who didn't move after their children grew up were left behind.

"First people left, then retail followed them. Then ultimately the businesses and bankers of downtown began moving to the newer suburbs," said Robert Lang, director of the Alexandria, Va.-based Institute for Metropolitan Research of Virginia Tech University.

The technology boom spurred

growth in the late 1980s and 1990s, as Internet start-ups and related firms sprouted in office parks outside commuter beltways.

That more youthful industry attracted fresh-from-school workers who favored suburban apartments and town houses over longer commutes from central cities, Byers said.

Chris Gonsalves says that's why his suburban Boston singles social groups gained popularity. Many members work in a high-tech corridor northwest of Boston where cost-of-living expenses may be just as high as in the city, he said.

"In general, when people opt to live in the suburbs of Boston, it's not a financial choice," Gonsalves said. "It's a decision on commutes to work."

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real-estate closings recorded the weeks of Dec. 24, 2001, - Jan. 4, 2002, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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Livonia	
31610 Delaware	\$100,000
16826 Farmington	\$218,000
36988 Kingsburn	\$405,000
31647 Perth	\$188,000
38545 Tuscany	\$250,000
Plymouth	
46730 Barrington	\$295,000
Redford	
26824 Glendale	\$137,000

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Decorative medallions give ceilings dressy look

By James and Morris Carey
For AP Weekly Features

If you regularly read our column you know that we are third-generation contractors.

You also might recall that we grew up in a home built by our grandfather at the turn of the 20th century. The home was Mediterranean-style construction, plaster in and out, with spacious rooms and high ceilings.

Not only were the ceilings high, in some rooms they were coved at the perimeter and had decorative cornice or picture mold.

Other rooms, such as the living room and dining room, had intricate plaster moldings that bordered the ceiling and ornate ceiling medallions used as foils for chandeliers.

Artisans have been affixing plaster decorations to walls and ceilings for centuries - mostly in imitation of Greek and Roman bas-relief. In modern times, the practice peaked in the early 19th century when Greek

Revival architecture reawakened an interest in classical ornamentation.

Today, plaster moldings again are popular - either to give authenticity to a restoration or just add interest to an otherwise flat wall or ceiling. The designs offered range from borders to ceiling medallions.

Although plaster ornamentation still can be had - during a recent trip to Europe we witnessed local artisans create it on site - wood and plastic alternatives now can be readily found at lumber yards, home centers and hardware stores.

We prefer the plastic material because it is lightweight and easy to work with. They are constructed of a foam or urethane core and vinyl-like finish that takes paint beautifully. When finished, the plastic medallion can't be distinguished from the real thing.

For dressing up a ceiling, decorative medallions are very popular. We believe this is because they are reasonably priced, easy to install and are so attractive.

Ceiling medallions come in

various shapes and sizes. They are round, square, oval, rectangular and triangular. You can have a hexagon, octagon or even a star.

And although a decorative ceiling medallion is often used as a "rosette" or foil for a chandelier, it is equally popular as a focal point of a room's ceiling.

In either case, you will be amazed at just how easy it is to install one.

When installing a ceiling medallion where a light fixture exists, the fixture must be removed and reinstalled after the medallion installation is completed.

Begin by turning off the power to the light fixture at the breaker panel or fuse box. Don't rely on the light switch since the power for light might originate at the fixture rather than the switch. We learned that lesson the hard way.

With the power off, carefully remove the light fixture - usually held into place with a couple of screws and/or a nut on a short length of threaded tubing. Lower the fixture canopy and

carefully disconnect the wires. Use the opportunity while the fixture is down to give it a good cleaning and polishing.

Place the ceiling medallion upside down and cut a hole in the center, using a drill or fine-tooth saw. The hole should be large enough to allow wiring and one or more threaded bolts to pass through, yet small enough to be completely covered by the fixture canopy.

Next, apply a minimum of a one-half-inch bead of adhesive along the outside edge of the underside of the ceiling medallion.

Place the medallion into position on the ceiling immediately after applying adhesive. Use four 1-5/8 inch paneling nails equally spaced on the medallion to hold it in place while the adhesive sets up.

Later, countersink the nails using a nail punch, and conceal the nail heads with spackle.

Instead of paneling nails, the medallion can be fastened to the ceiling using construction screws. As you would with paneling nails, countersink the con-

struction screws and conceal with a patching compound.

Apply a bead of caulk at the perimeter of the medallion and smooth, using your finger or a damp sponge.

Once the caulk has dried, the medallion is ready for paint. For best results, prime the medallion with an oil-base primer and finish with one or more coats of latex in the color of your choice.

Complete the job by reinstalling the light fixture.

Reverse the steps used to remove it. Due to the added ceiling thickness, longer screws and/or threaded tubing might be needed to properly anchor the light fixture.

Reconnect the wires using approved wire connectors, reinstall the canopy and turn on the power.

Step back, admire your work, and ponder what room you next will enhance with a ceiling medallion.

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BIG CITY ATMOSPHERE - Dearborn condo development offers newer townhouse w/2 bedrooms and 3 full baths. Open living room w/fireplace cozy family room w/balcony. Formal dining room and bright kitchen. Two upstairs bedrooms & 3 full baths offers roommates their own space. Main level laundry w/stackable washer/dryer \$224,900 (127VJ)



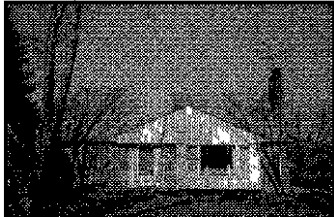
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ROOMY, RURAL, REDFORD - Very nice all brick home updates including windows roof & kitchen. Two entry level bedrooms w/full wall closets & built in storage. Large living room formal dining room enclosed sun porch. Finished upstairs w/2 bedrooms & room for a full bath. Hardwood flooring upstairs & under most carpeting \$189,900 (520ME)



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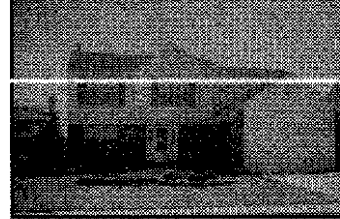
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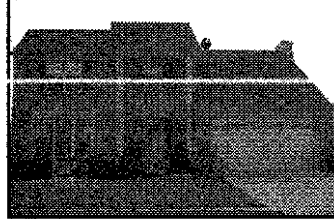
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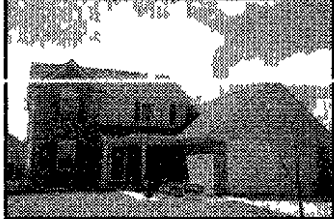
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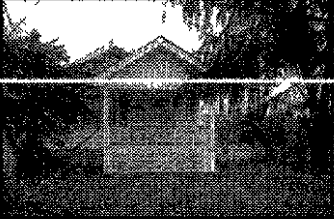
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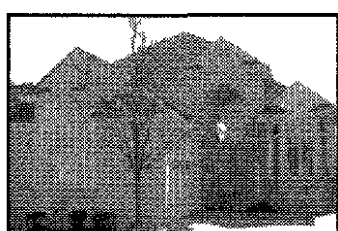
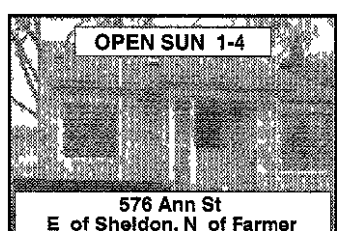
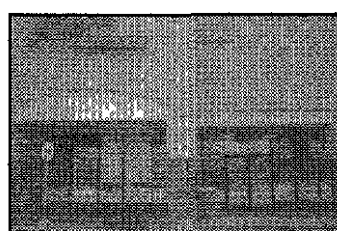




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524 Help Wanted Domestic
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532 Students
534 Jobs Wanted Female/Male
536 Childcare Services Licensed
537 Childcare/Babysitting Services
538 Childcare Needed
540 Elderly Care Services
550 Summer Camps
560 Education/Instruction
562 Business & Professional Services
564 Financial Services
566 Secretarial Services
570 Attorneys/Legal Counseling
572 Tax Services
574 Business Opportunities

1-800-579-SELL

500 Help Wanted General

AUTO DETAILER
Dealership needs experienced detailer for used cars. Must know how to wheel out scratches and do complete detail. Must pass drug screening and have excellent driving record. Full time position available with great benefits paid vacations and a clean working environment. \$10.00 per hour. Call Mary Yeever at (734) 453-2424 ext 246 or apply in person at Hines Park Lincoln Mercury 40601 Ann Arbor Rd in Plymouth

AUTO DETAILER/LOT ATTENDANT
Full time benefits available. Contact Mike Saturn of Farmington Hills (248) 473-7220

AUTO DETAIL/PORTERS
needed full time in the new and used car prep departments. Great pay and benefits. Clean driving record required.
Rick Burczyk Used Car Mgr
Alan Dea New Car Prep Mgr
Hines Park Ford
New Hudson MI
(248) 437-8700

500 Help Wanted General

AUTO TECH
Minimum 2 years Exp. certified & must have own tools. Livonia area. Ask for Joe
734-522-7333

AUTO TECHNICIAN
Needed for large GM dealer ship. Experience necessary. Must have a good driving record. We offer excellent pay & benefits. Apply in person. Ask for Nathan
DON MASSEY
40475 Ann Arbor Rd
Plymouth

AUTO TECHNICIAN
We are looking for an experienced Technician in diesel performance repair to join our staff of professionals. We offer top pay on Saturdays up to \$1,000 signing bonus. BC/BS dental vision. 401K and more! See Steve Clement
LOU LARICHE CHEVROLET
40875 Plymouth Rd
Plymouth MI 48170
(734) 453-4600

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CASHIER
Large hardware store in Wayne. Full or part time. Competitive wage.
734 721 7244

CHILD CARE PROFESSIONALS NEEDED
Learn While You Earn!
The Learning Tree offers employees an Education reimbursement program and on site training. Along with 401K Retirement Plan, Medical/Dental Benefits, Paid Vacation/Holidays and Personal Days. Raise reviews by yearly Bonus Program.
Call 734 525 5767 or apply in person

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734-425 7670

CUSTOMER SERVICE/Sales
Customer Service/Sales

500 Help Wanted General

POLICE SERVICE AIDE (PSA)
COMMUNICATIONS

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH is accepting applications for the position of Police Service Aide (PSA) in the Plymouth Community Communication Center (PCCC). Applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and be at least the minimum of eighteen (18) years of age with keyboarding experience. All candidates will be required to take a test. Names will be placed on hiring list. This position is represented by the FOAM union.

Essential functions for this position include but are not limited to the following: answering telephones requesting information or services (including emergency 911 calls for services) inputting information to and operating the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system filling requests for information from LEIN and other computer data received from department personnel; dispatching police fire and rescue to respective "runs" assisting citizens with requests for information or complaints; monitoring local and state radio frequencies operating emergency notification systems for community warning announcements and other various duties associated with prisoners and the lockup facility.

Applications and position specifications are available Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Township Clerk's Office 42350 Ann Arbor Road (at the corner of Lilley Rd.) Applications must be picked up and will be accepted until Monday, April 29, 2002 at 4:00 p.m.

The Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

500 Help Wanted General

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
Part time day evenings or weekends. Competitive wage. Great recreational environment. Must have good communication skills. Apply in person with resume.
Membership Desk JCC
6600 W. Maple
West Bloomfield

CUSTOMER SERVICE
Fortune 500 Company seeking a Customer Service Representative for its distribution center located in Plymouth. Michigan. Ideal candidates will be detail-oriented, have good communication skills, a friendly attitude and an outgoing personality. This is a full time position with benefits. Please send resumes to Owens & Minor Attn: POC 45755 Five Mile Road Plymouth MI 48170. No phone calls. EOE M/F/D/V. We are an Affirmative Action Employer. <http://www.owensminor.com>

DIETARY AIDES/COOKS
Full & part time positions available. Apply at Lutheran Heritage Village 33600 Luther Lane Livonia MI 48154 (734) 421-6564

CANTON Group Home needs afternoon staff for highly independent residents. Competitive wages/benefits. 734-397-6955

DIRECT CARE ASSISTANT
Provide services to developmentally disabled adults. Variety of shifts. Will train. \$7.90 good benefits. Call South Lyon area. 734-662-4685 or 663-5637

DIRECT CARE part time
Will train. Westland area. Call Launce 734-595-3293

DIRECT CARE Positions available working with people in their homes. Competitive pay and benefits. All shifts paid training available. Great people mean great work! 734-728-4382

DIRECT CARE STAFF
Will train qualified persons to work in the care giving field. \$7.70/hr. hourly wage. Excellent benefits. Call programs listed below.

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248-478-3856 248-474-6996

REDFORD
313-535-8605
313-255-7639

WESTLAND
734-467-5667
734-513-5347

ROMULUS
734-942-1959
For further information call 313-255-6295

DIRECT CARE STAFF
Needed in Westland. Please call Jean 734-595-7013

DIRECTOR
Downtown Development Authority
City of Plymouth Michigan Salary Range \$46,900 - \$55,160/year. DOE + fringe benefit package. Requires excellent oral & written communication skills and strong background in administration on budgeting, economic development, marketing and promotional and community relations. Degrees in applied arts is 5/15/02. Submit resume to Carol Stone 201 S Main Plymouth MI 48170 fax 734 455 1892. E-mail cstone@cplivmich.gov. Complete job description and application are available at the City Manager's Office and on City's website www.ci.plymouth.mi.us

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500 Help Wanted General

DRIVERS NORTH AMERICAN
Van Lines has openings in Household Goods Specialized Truckload and Flatbed Fleets. Minimum of 6 months of experience required. Tractor purchase/lease available. 800-348-2147 Dept MIS

DRIVERS WANTED
A leader in the apt supply industry in seeking individuals for the following positions:
Delivery Drivers Drivers are needed for local & cubbying areas. A chauffeurs license is required. Future employees must be able to lift 100 lbs. This is entry level. Applications accepted at 12098 Merriman Rd Livonia MI 48150

DRIVER/WAREHOUSE Help
Wanted. Chauffeurs license required (14 ft Stake truck). Romulus area roofing distributor. HI to exp helpful. Some heavy lifting \$8.10/hr. 8:30am-4:30pm. F. Exc. benefits. Send resume to Box #1463 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150

ELECTRICIAN w/ underground experience
Top pay good hours and benefits (313) 304-8844

EXPERIENCED TELEMARKETERS
Great 2nd job! Part time after noon shift. Mon Thurs in Livonia area. Ask for Keith (734) 432-5995

Fashion Show Participants
Female/male 18+ Paid training after free workshop. Start immediately. (248) 262-6601

FINANCE DEPT
Manufactured Home Retailer in Novi seeking full time individual for Finance Department. Must be a team worker/wgood organizational skills. Call for interview (248) 349-2500

FLOOR TECH/FLOATER
30-40 hrs Mon Fri evns \$10/hr. Must be responsible w/good driving record. Farmington area. 248-815-3554

FRONT DESK
Fairfield Inn Canton. Excellent day hours. Competitive pay & benefits. Call Dave (734) 981-2440

FULL TIME & PART TIME INSIDE ADVERTISING SALES REPRESENTATIVE
We are seeking enthusiastic result oriented individuals to join our sales team in our Livonia office. We are a nationally award winning community newspaper. Position responsibilities include: acquiring current customers, acquiring new customers and providing excellent customer service. 6 months to 1 year of telephone sales experience preferred. Ability to type 40 wpm with proficient computer spalling salary plus commission, great benefits & employee friendly time off policy. Send resume in confidence to:
Ebbik@oe.homecomm.net
Please include job code ISR. The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150 Fax (734) 953-2057

GAGE COMPANY IN NOVI
looking for Surface Grinder. Experience necessary. Air conditioned plant. Full time (248) 380-8515 ext. 3

GENERAL HELPER/PREP
Needed full time for Beverly Hills apartments. Must have own basic tools. Call 248-646-9880

GENERAL LABOR
Positions at \$11/hr. Established company looking for full time production employees. Ideal candidates will be dependable, flexible, self motivated individuals with production experience. Detail medical history, vaccinations, sick days and 401K. Must pass physical and drug screen. Apply in person at PDC Glass of Michigan 300 Dunn St Plymouth MI 48170 or Fax resume to 734-354-0310

GENERAL LABOR
Reliable responsible individual needed for general labor work. Heavy lifting required. Will train. Call 248-349-2500 to set up an appointment.

GENERAL/ PRODUCTION
MICHIGAN DAIRY has immediate full time evening shift shifts. Work is physical and fast paced. Competitive starting wages with increases up to \$14.00/hour. Excellent health/dental prescription vision and pension benefits. Applications will be accepted Friday, April 19, 2002 from 10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. Quality Inn 30375 Plymouth Rd in Livonia between Middlebelt and Merriman EOE

GLASS INSTALLER
Experienced only. Excellent pay. Call Birmingham Glass & Mirror (248) 554-0482

GRINDER HAND
Five years exp. Minimum \$24.00/hr. Call for details (248) 477-8040. Nov.

GRINDER PERSON
Full time for Westland apt. com. Must be able to lift 100 lbs. Training community grounds. I flowers mulching curb appeal. also some light maintenance required. Apply in person at Greenwood Villa 7600 Nankin Blvd Mon Fri 9am-4pm or call for info (734) 281-3200. EOE

GROUNDS PERSON
Full time Benefits Livonia area. Call (734) 261-4887

GROUNDS PERSON
Full time for Canton apartment community. Great opportunity for right person. Please call (734) 397-1080

GROUNDS PERSON
Needed for WayneWood Apartments. Summer work. No faxed resumes please. Apply in person 6737 N Wayne Rd Westland 734-326-6270

GROUNDS STAFF & POOL
Franklin Square Apartments in Livonia is seeking seasonal pool & grounds staff. Positions available immediately. Great working conditions & pay! Call Mon Fri (734) 427-6970. EOE

HAIRSTYLIST
Experienced 1 day per week. West Bloomfield area. Nursing home (800)762-7391

500 Help Wanted General

HAIR CARE
John Ryan Associates is looking for friendly outgoing stylists to service our growing clientele. Advanced training for all levels of stylists. Base + commission. Paid vacation insurance. 401K. Livonia Farmington Dearborn. Call 1 800 552 4870

HAIR STYLIST
Rent a chair \$150 a week. Hair Concepts in Livonia. Call Paul (734) 422-5730

HAIR STYLIST
Wanted with clientele. Good commission & paid vacation. Contact Diane 734-464-3300 or 248-486-1484

HANDYMAN (M/F)
MegaLux Theatre Seeking 2 individuals to maintain facility. Full & part time. Livonia area. 734-542-3191

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HOUSEKEEPING
Full time Village Square Puts 734-981-3888 EOE

HVAC COMMERCIAL TECH
Requires exp to 100 tons & strong electrical. Also Starting Helper position for motivated person. Call 9:10am 248-646-2160

HVAC
15 yrs minimum exp with residential/commercial & electrical. Lennox/Carter dealer. Westside. Call (734) 525-1930

HVAC PLUMBING & Refrigeration
Commercial & Industrial Services. Techs/Supervisors & Sales/Estimators. Full time BCBS Dental. 401K. Vacation. Holidays. Education & Vehicle. + \$1,000 new hire bonus. Call 313-535-4400. 8AM-2PM. \$18-\$32 PER HOUR +

IN HOME DAYCARE
is looking for a fun loving creative person who is wonderful with children. Full time/part time in Farmington Hills. Criminal background check is required. (313) 477-0188

INSIDE HELP
For commercial laundry. Part time. Good pay. Will train. Right person. Leave message. 734-729-4740

INSPECTOR PART-TIME
Progressive automotive supplier has openings for part time inspectors. Automotive experience and PC skills a plus. Can dates must have a valid drivers license. Dependable transportation and good oral and written communication skills. Please send resume to Attn: Inspector 33027 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150 Fax 734-266-7600

INTERNET/COMPUTER HELP WANTED
Willing to train. Local Mail order company needs full or part time help to further the development of internet sites. Some computer and internet background needed. We can do the training get you experience here. Turn your dead end job into an opportunity for the future. Moms students welcome. We can work around and schedule for the right person. Start \$10/hr. benefits, health insurance, vacation etc. Responses by E-mail to Resume@brittishonly.com

KID'S CORNER ASSISTANT
Canton Township is accepting applications for the position of Kid's Corner Assistant. Position involves the supervision of children in a child care setting at the Summit on the Park. Must be at least 16 yrs of age. Should be able to possess American Red Cross Babysitting Basic First Aid/CPR certifications. \$6.50 per hour. The character for 2 1/2 hrs. 1:30pm shift. Applications can be picked up at the Personnel Division 1150 S Canton Center Rd. An application form is also available on the Canton Township website at www.cantonmi.org. The character for 2 1/2 hrs. of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services. An Equal Opportunity Employer.

LABORERS
Wanted to perform and learn various trades for a building company. Call 734-930-6697. No phone calls. No break welcome.

EXPERIENCED LANDSCAPERS NEEDED
for brick paving retaining walls etc. Chris (734) 276-9379

LOOKING FOR RETIREE
to do landscaping maintenance at a Farmington Hills home 8-10 hrs/wk (248) 471-3336

LATHE HAND
Five years exp. Minimum Retirement plan & Benefits (248) 477-8040. Nov.

LAWN APPLICATOR
Experience preferred. Lawn and tree care. Salary health benefits paid vacation and year around work. Contact Mike (734) 699-0010

LAWN CARE
\$8 per hour to start (734) 595-7348

LAWN MAINTENANCE / LANDSCAPING
\$10-12/hr. Full time/40 hrs. Experienced. 196/Beck area. 248-667-4390

LAWN MAINTENANCE
Livonia area. Up to \$11/hour depending on exp. Leave mes sage. 734-451-2929

LAWN MAINTENANCE
Seeking hard working responsible person for full time position. Good wages (248) 626-6161

HELP WANTED

Employment/ Instruction Services

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500 Help Wanted General

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE
The Mirror Newspapers Inc is seeking an outside salesperson to join our successful Advertising Team to sell Real Estate & Automotive Display advertising. Successful applicants should be a self starter and possess the following:
• Outside sales experience
• Exceptional customer service
• Motivation and enthusiasm
Please send resume to Mirror Newspapers PO Box 430 Royal Oak MI

500 Help Wanted General

PLEASE CHECK YOUR AD
The Observer & Eccentric will issue credit for typographical or other errors only on the first insertion of an advertisement. If an error occurs the advertiser must notify the Customer Service Department in time to correct the error before the second insertion.

500 Help Wanted General

APARTMENT LEASING CONSULTANT
Full time position at River Bend Apartments in Westland. Opportunity to work with professional apartment management and marketing team. Experience preferred. Call for an appointment at (313) 585-9850 or fax resume (313) 585-5807

POLICY
All advertising published in The Observer & Eccentric is subject to the conditions stated in the applicable rate card copies of which are available from the Advertising Department. Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150 (734) 591-0900

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APARTMENT MANAGER (Couples/individuals)
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APPRENTICE TECH & DRIVEWAY HELP
2 positions. Livonia. Shift Start on Good pay. Call Jeff (734) 464-3322

ACCOUNT BOOKKEEPER
Full charge thru financial statements. multi location distributor. Successful candidate will have opportunity with a winning team and enjoy an excellent compensation and benefit package. Fax 313-368-9823. Email kjfrim@aol.com Mail Sending World 6450 E. Eight Mile Rd Detroit MI 48234. sidingsworld.com

ACCOUNTING MANAGER OR STAFF ACCOUNTANT
with 3 to 5 years of construction accounting experience needed for Real Estate/Development/Construction Company. Must have Peachtree and Quick Books knowledge. Responsibilities include all day to day accounting, construction draws and financial statements. Please fax all resumes to Attention Angela at (313) 831-2957

ASSISTANT CONTROLLER
National real estate management co needs assertive individual with accounting background to help oversee the marketing & development divisions. Competitive compensation package based on qualifications. Health insurance, 401K, vacation & holiday pay. Send resume to Box #1476 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150

ASSISTANT MANAGER TRAINEES
Heslop's
Qualified applicants will possess strong leadership abilities & retail background. \$24,000 to start. Fax resumes 248-344-4342 or mail to Heslop's 22790 Heshp Dr Novi MI 48375 Attn Personnel

ATTENTION START IMMEDIATELY
10 full/part positions need filled ASAP. NO EXP NECESSARY. Start up to \$550/wk. 734-525-8033

AUTO DETAILER
Exp cleaning interiors & exteriors. Excellent pay & room to grow. Plymouth. Jerry 734-776-5419

500 Help Wanted General

AUTO GLASS PROFESSIONALS
Guardian a worldwide leader in the glass industry has outstanding full time career opportunities at its Farmington Hills location. We are seeking experienced glass professional managers/technicians and customer service representatives. Guardian offers a competitive wage and an excellent benefit package. Please send resume to 24150 Haggerty Rd Farmington Hills MI 48331 or fax to 248-471-7247

500 Help Wanted General

BAKERY NEEDS HELP
Manufacturing baking counter delivering Part time will train. Farmington Hills area (248) 851-2920

DEARBORN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
Michigan's largest Credit Union wants you to join their team! Now hiring service oriented individuals for our Fairlane location. Contingent Member Service Agent 20 hours per week. Service delivery in an incoming call center of Wayne. Excellent opportunity preferred. Credit record good standing required. Applications accepted through Wed April 24, 2002. Apply in person at any DEARBORN FEDERAL CREDIT UNION BRANCH OFFICE. EOE

BANK TELLER
Part time 28.40 hrs/wk \$11/hr. 2 week full time training period. Benefits available. Apply in person 9am-5:30pm at Parkway Federal Credit Union 37451 Ecorse Rd Romulus

BEAUTICIAN
For retirement community in City of Wayne. Excellent opportunity. State license required. All equipment included. Please call for more info (734) 727-0440

BIRMINGHAM DAY Spa
now hiring for all positions. Trillium Ultimate Body Therapy (248) 594-1661

500 Help Wanted General

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• Full or part time
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• We train all majors
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Call now training starts soon!

CIRCULATION AREA MANAGER
Full time with benefits. Must have good organizational skills, some computer knowledge and be able to lift 30-40 lbs. Some Saturdays required. Good attendance flexibility. Customer service and logistics a must. Duties will include recruitment and supervision of carriers, subscriber account maintenance and clerical tasks. No phone calls. Resumes accepted to (248) 598-2353. Attn: Circulation Manager or mail to PO Box 430 Royal Oak MI 48068

CITY OF PLYMOUTH
The City of Plymouth is seeking qualified applicants for the following part time positions: Dead line for applications is 5-03-02. Complete job descriptions and applications are available at City Manager's Office 201 S Main Plymouth MI. Salary range for both positions is \$10.50/hr. to \$14.50/hr. DCQ. Apply in person or submit resume via fax 734-455-1892 or e-mail cstone@cplivmich.gov

VAN DRIVER
Drive 24 bus passenger van for senior citizen transportation program. Must have CDL. Will be required to pass DOT medical exam. Flexible schedule. Good benefits. Needs of program. Must possess excellent customer service skills.

CLERK SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM
Provides clerical support for senior citizen transportation program. Duties include calls for service, requires excellent computer and customer service skills.

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500 Help Wanted General

CONSTRUCTION
Residential construction help wanted to fill Superintendent position. Qualified candidates must be experienced in all aspects of construction. Out positions: Please fax resumes or qualifications to Mitch at (248) 642-1586

VICE PRESIDENT OF CONSTRUCTION
Directs and coordinates construction activities including developing organization policies and goals to obtain optimum efficiency and maximize profits. Responsible for division budget and delivering projects on time and within budget. Please fax all resumes to Attention Angela at (313) 831-4049

CONSTRUCTION/REMODELING
Homes & businesses. Pay depends on experience. Please call Peter at (734) 765-1468

500 Help Wanted General

CONTROLLER
Retail service organization seeking an experienced controller. Qualified candidates must be experienced in all aspects of accounting but getting payable management, internal controls and financial reporting. Must also possess strong verbal and written communication skills. Degree in accounting or regional. Full benefit package includes Medical, Dental, Life Insurance, Paid holidays, vacations & personal days 401K & ESOP. Send resume with salary requirements to:
Box #1491
Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150 EOE

500 Help Wanted General

COOKIE DECORATOR
Live/Work/Play. A training Cookies by Design in Livonia. Call Scott at (734) 422-0992

COPIER/FAX/PRINTER TECH
Copier experience required. Top pay good working conditions and benefits. 35 year old dealer ship in Plymouth. Fax resume to 734-414-9494 or call Mr. Rosen or Mr. Fuenstern 734-414-9900

COPY MACHINE
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK Part time for Birmingham multi family property Mgmt Co Pay able experience required Excellent starting rate for qualified candidate with references Fax resume to 248 646-0606

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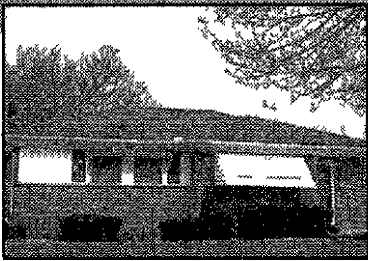
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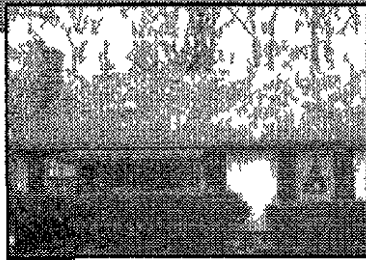
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GREAT FLOOR PLAN Open floor plan in a brick ranch. Newer furnace & C/A (2001). Neutral paint & carpet. Hardwood floors under carpet. Updated electrical & ceramic tile. Finished basement. \$128 900 (28APP) 734-455-5600



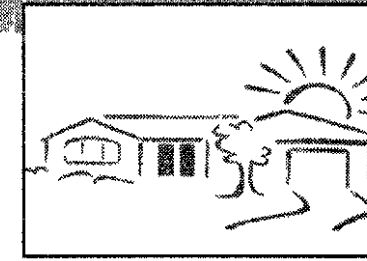
CHARM & CHARACTER! 4 BR 2 bath bungalow. Large living room w/beautiful fireplace. Cheerful sunny dining room full of windows. Full basement newer windows. Nature lovers paradise all 4 seasons. \$159 900 (46 GAY) 734-455-5600



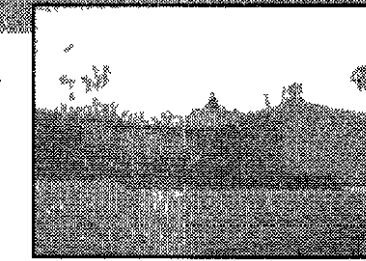
LOCATION In "Walnut Creek" 4 BR 2 5 BA rambling ranch w/spacious foyer w/hardwood floors. Updated kitchen w/appliances. Sunny breakfast room. Formal LR & DR. Updated furnace & C/A. 1st floor laundry. \$369 000 (65 POR) 734-455-5600



DOWNTOWN NORTHVILLE If location is what you're looking for this one is for you. This 4 BR 3 BA colonial is being sold as is. A premium location for a new home setting. Walk to downtown and enjoy all the cultural events. \$216 500 (74 WIN) 248-349-5600



BEAUTIFUL 3 BR brick ranch with central air, newer vinyl windows, furnace & C/A. Newer carpet, fixtures & plumbing in bath. Very well maintained & clean. Don't miss out, this home won't last long. \$144 900 (70 BAR) 248-349-5600



WONDERFUL BRICK RANCH This home has it all w/3 bedrooms, 2 5 baths, 2 car attached garage, FFL, FP in LFR, finished basement, newer furnace siding & Birmingham schools. \$214 900 (40RED) 248-349-5600



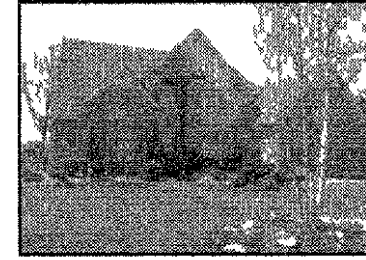
DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH Walk to downtown Plymouth from this appealing bungalow! Updated kitchen, bath & master bedroom. Coved ceilings. Neutral decor. Newer carpet, landscape and C/A. \$199 900 (2 AUB) 734-455-5600



UPDATED TRI 4 BR 2 BA beautiful tri-level with newer windows (01) kitchen (01) & bath (00). Updated furnace & C/A & roof. Garage is 2 5 ATT w/open & doorwall to patio & large yard. Formal DR. Freshly painted. \$167 000 (80 GLO) 734-455-5600



LOTS OF LAND 4 BR 2 BA colonial on a beautiful 2 8 acre lot! Newer furnace & C/A, spacious FR & laundry on the 2nd floor. Fruit trees, berry bushes & surrounded by woods. \$164 900 (84SAV) 734-455-5600



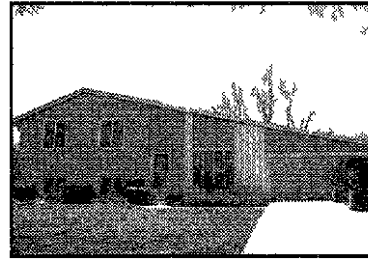
THIS COULD BE IT Spacious 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial on private setting. Built in 1996, hardwood floors, dual stair case. Large kitchen w/maple cabinets & WI pantry. There are many upgrades. Home warranty included. \$517 900 (21HIL) 248-349-5600



RANCH CONDO End unit w/Florida room, single car garage, two full baths, Pergo/wood like flooring and neutral decor. Short walk to club house & beach area. 55+ community. \$100 00 (08SHE) 248-349-5600



SHARP TUDOR IN FAMILY SUB 4 BR 2 5 BA 2 story w/great room, florida room & library. Master bedroom w/separate shower. Hardwood floor in foyer. Wrap around deck & finished rec room. \$339 900 (46PLU) 248-349-5600



ONE OF A KIND Quad level with many updates. Anderson windows, water heater, furnace, C/A, vinyl siding, KIT & carpet. MBR with doorwall to balcony overlooks deck and pool. Outdoor kitchen, FR w/fireplace & wet bar. \$224 900 (23BRO) 734-5600



EXECUTIVE COLLECTION! 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial on a 1 6 rolling acres! 3 FPS's, MSTR STE w/garden tub & FPL. Hardwood floors in foyer, DR & FR. Ceramic tile in KIT, NOOK & sun room. 1st floor laundry, 3+C garage. \$429 900 (25LER) 734-455-5600



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NORTHVILLE 175 Cady Centre 248-349-5600

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DOWNTOWN ROCHESTER Income opp in owning this duplex. Second floor laundry, Spacious bedrooms, 1 5 BA. Full finished basement w/5th BR or study. Gourmet kitchen w/granite tops. Heated garage. \$374 900 (19HAC) 248-349-5600



STATELY COLONIAL - Backs to woods on cul de-sac. High ceilings, columns, hardwood floor, grace this 4 BR 3 BA home. Finished daylight bsmt w/5th BR or study. Gourmet kitchen w/granite tops. Heated garage. \$475 000 (10ONA) 248-349-5600



CHARMING Delightful Dearborn bungalow w/coved ceiling, Hardwood floors, Upstairs MBR with 2 large closets. Attic storage & knotty pine. Updated vinyl windows, furnace, HWT, newer carpet & GL. BLK in basement. \$146 500 (45CRO) 734-455-5600



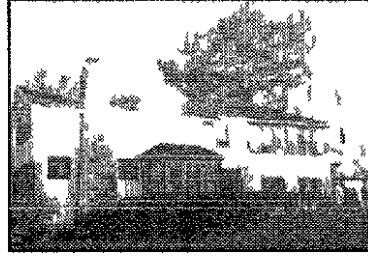
MINT CONDITION 3 BR 2 BA brick ranch. Furnace & C/A (00) roof, single layer (01). Steel side entry door (00). Main bath (00). Landscaping (01). Oversized mechanics dream garage w/220. Updated plumbing. \$164 900 (74MAR) 734-455-5600



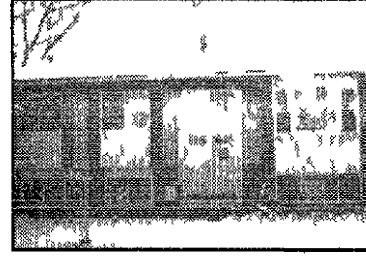
CONDO SPACIOUS OPEN Beautiful flowing floor plan w/disabled access. Heated underground security garage. Plenty of storage, powder room in the master bedroom suite. This one has it all. \$139 900 (30ARB) 248-349-5600



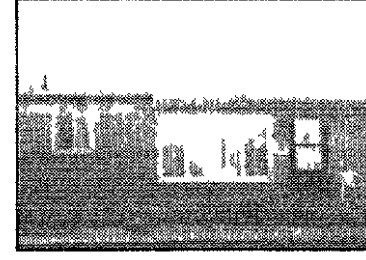
HONEYMOONERS DELIGHT - Like new contemporary on a large treed lot w/3 BRs & 2 BA. First floor master BR w/dressing area & WI closet. Balcony overlooking LR w/cozy fireplace. Upgrades T/O. Home warranty. \$229 900 (63NEE) 248-349-5600



SPRINGBROOK FARM HOUSE 4 spacious BRs, 1 5 remodeled bath, plaster walls, hardwood floors, lots of windows. Natural FPL. 2 ST BLDG could be guest house. Prime land w/stream next door to park. \$270 000 (00DRA) 734-455-5600



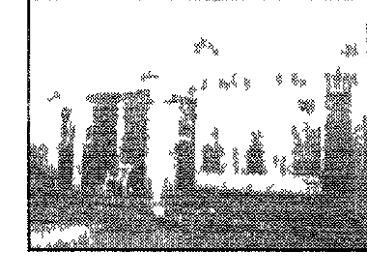
FORMER MODEL 3 BR 2 5 BA colonial (possible 4th BR). Very clean w/neutral decor. Livonia schools & great location! Upgraded windows & nice deck. Appliances included! Finished basement. \$225 000 (79MEG) 734-455-5600



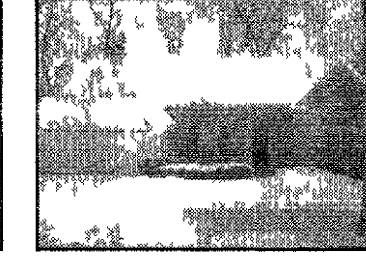
ALL THE EXTRAS 3 BR 1 5 BA Family room, huge updated kitchen, basement, 2C garage, newer windows, water heater & furnace! Beautiful Garden City ranch w/pool & deck for summer fun. \$164 900 (01SHE) 734-455-5600



OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS One of a Kind colonial offers a 3 car attached garage, 4 BR 2 5 BA & a FR w/2 sided fireplace (LIR/FR). Formal DR, LR, spacious MBR suite w/clo & BA. Newer decor T/O. \$379 500 (12DEV) 248-349-5600



GREAT BRICK RANCH in South Redford with 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. Partially finished basement, 1 5 car detached garage, newer roof and furnace. \$114 900 (08WOR) 248-349-5600



WEST BLOOMFIELD SCHOOLS 4 BR 3 5 BA colonial on beautiful wooded lot w/lake privileges. Sunroom & deck overlook trees. 2 pantries in island kitchen. Cathedral ceiling in masters suite. \$397 900 (79MIS) 248-349-5600



LIKE NEW 3 BR 2 bath Cape Cod. Just 8 years old. Light oak kitchen cabinets. All seasons family room. Hardwood entry foyer, ceiling fans & 2 car attached garage & floral gardens. \$189 900 (36ELM) 734-455-5600



STEP UP & TAKE A LOOK 3 BR 2 BA newer raised ranch home! Beautiful hardwood floors in entry, GR hall & DR. Freshly painted & newer carpeting. Appliances stay! Oak trim T/O & oversized 2C garage. \$209 900 (55 MIL) 734-455-9600



PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP! Dutch colonial in Windsor Park! Newer vinyl windows, C/A, entry & storm door. KIT updated w/light cabinets, newer counters, pantry & pull up breakfast bar, family room w/fireplace. FIN BSMNT. \$214 500 (60SUF) 734-455-5600



NORTHVILLE ESTATES Enjoy a country feeling, 3 BR ranch w/updated kit w/ceramic firing skylite, bay window & all appliances. Fireplace in LR. Landscaping w/paver walkway. \$259 900 (40DUN) 248-349-5600



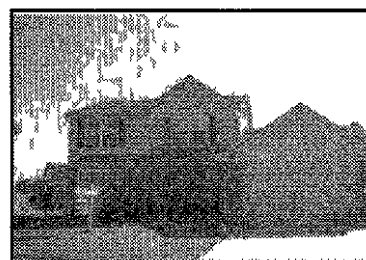
DO NOT MISS THIS ONE! Open floor plan in the 3 BR 2 5 BA condo. Northville schools. MBR has garden tub & WIC. Hardwood, newer carpet. Finished basement. Deck overlooks garden. Quiet cul de sac setting. \$289 900 (11WAL) 248-349-5600



COLONIAL HOME ON APPROX 4 ACRES Lovely colonial features 4 BR w/hardwood floors, 2 5 BA. Master offers french doors to private balcony overlooking wooded yard. Updated kitchen. \$264 900 (01MLCN) 248-349-5600



CLAIM THIS PRIZE Original owner took loving care of the 3 BR brick ranch. Roof shingles, 2 years Circuit breakers, hardwood floors, ceramic bath, 1 2x6 laundry room, knotty pine. Kitchen with appliances. \$155 000 (65 FAI) 734-455-5600



BETTER THAN NEW! Built in 2000, 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial w/neutral tones. FR w/vaulted ceilings & beautiful FPL. KIT w/oak cabinets, pantry & appliances. BRKFAST NOOK w/deck to door wall. FR w/vaulted ceiling. \$224 900 (19OAK) 734-455-5600



PRIDE IN OWNERSHIP! 3 BR 1 5 BA brick ranch. Maintenance free exterior, aluminum trim, updated windows & side entry door, glass block windows in finished basement, large enclosed patio, 2C garage. \$131 999 (55WIL) 734-455-5600



BEAUTIFUL BUNGALOW Updates galore. Bathroom, kitchen, hardwood in kit & dining area, roof, furnace, siding, windows, newer carpet in BRs, 2 car garage, above ground pool, w/newer deck. All appliances stay. \$119 900 (41JAM) 248-349-5600



CHARMING CAPE COD 3 BR 2 BA home w/partially finished basement. Many updates. Newer driveway, garage door & entrance doors, 1 car garage, close to downtown Farmington. \$165 000 (44VIC) 248-349-5600



CHARMING CAPE COD - Beautiful stone front, 3 BR 1 5 BA custom cape cod. Formal dining & large living room w/gorgeous natural fireplace. Central air, hardwood floors, appliances & full basement. \$159 900 (39MCK) 248-349-5600



LOOK NO FURTHER 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial on a gorgeous wooded lot. Oversees a natural ravine! Stately Master Suite w/all the amenities. Large bonus RM (unfinished) walk out partially finished. \$259 900 (21 FOR) 734-455-5600



RIDGEWOOD HILLS BEAUTY 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial w/neutral tones. FR w/vaulted ceilings & beautiful FPL. KIT w/eating area & formal DR. 1st flr laundry room (2001), deck & gazebo. Central Air. \$327 500 (05PIN) 734-455-5600



MOVE IN READY! 3 BR 1 5 BA colonial in Brookside Village! Updated furnace, roof, resingled copper plumbing & HWH. Hot tub & appliances stay! Partial finished basement & 2 garage. \$198 927 (88WOR) 734-455-5600



UPDATED NOVI QUAD Lots of house for the money, 3 BR 2 BA 4th BR or library, FR w/fireplace, Master BR w/WIC & 2nd closet & bath. Newer maple kitchen, updated hall bath, fin bsmt, 2 car attached garage. \$229 000 (50JCS) 248-349-5600



BEAUTIFICATION AWARD was presented from the city to the owners of this gorgeous home, 3 BR ranch w/attached garage. Gas FP in living room, natural FP in all year sun room. Loads of updates. Small pond in back. \$249 900 (04SUM) 248-349-5600



CHARMING 1840s Farmhouse located in the heart of Northville's downtown historical district. Updates include kitchen, furnace, C/A, roof, electrical, plumbing & windows. A great location. \$305 000 (11DUN) 248-349-5600

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NORTHVILLE \$1,300,000
MAGNIFICENT HOME on exceptional lot backing to nature preserve in Fox Hollow! Dramatic ceilings gourmet kit w/granite Magnificent mstr ste fin d w/o bsmt Numerous amenities! (54W002)

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NORTHVILLE \$899,000
SPECTACULAR 3 STORY VICTORIAN STYLE home on Mill Pond in city! 4 BR 3 1/2 baths cherry flrs custom cabinets granite & marble Extensive perennial gardens (70RAY2)

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MILFORD \$689,900
OUTSTANDING 1999, CUSTOM BUILT HOME on 2.41 acres! 3 1/2 baths library gourmet kitchen GR w/FP walk out bsmt 3 car garage upgrades galore & more! (44STO2)

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SOUTH LYON \$604,900
BEAUTIFUL, LIGHT, BRIGHT & AIRY home w/ wonderful views of the pond & pines. Gorgeous kitchen lovely LR cozy library warm inviting FR elegant DR 4 lg bdrms fin d rec room (62STA)

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NOVI \$579,900
UNLIKE ANY OTHER! Immaculate cstm bilt w/all the features. Fabulous flr plan w/volume clngs 2 way FR 4 BR 3 1/2 baths screened porch & deck overlooks prvt yd Over 3650 sq ft! (B22339)

734-591-9200



NORTHVILLE \$395,000
THIS HOME SAYS WELCOME from the inviting front porch to the cedar hot tub room! Hdwd flrs in foyer kitchen LR & DR Large expanded FR Many updates! (79FAR2)

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NORTHVILLE \$338,900
WONDERFUL HISTORIC NORTHVILLE home features 4 BR 3 full baths huge yard backing to the Rouge River More square footage than it seems! (16ROU2)

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NOVI \$337,900
BEAUTIFUL & BRIGHT, NEUTRALLY DECORATED Dunbarton Colonial! Kitchen w/ island & hardwood floors vaulted ceilings in master suite FR w/built ins Northville schools! (70WAY2)

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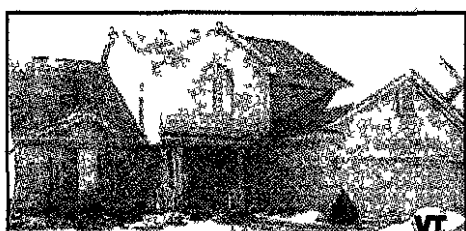
PLYMOUTH \$324,000
CHARMING! Turn of the century col. 3 bdrms w/ roomy closets A wonderful sunrm & good size FR off back of home Hrdwd in LR & DR Part fin bsmt Walk to downtown Plymouth (23A287)

734-455-7000



NORTHVILLE \$299,900
DO YOU HAVE A HANDY ANDY IN YOUR FAMILY! Because if you do this house is for you! Nestled on a private treed 3.82 ac lot Has 1 possible split and pole barn House has 726 sq ft in law apartment (N8660)

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CANTON \$284,900
POPULAR CANTON NEIGHBORHOOD with Plymouth/Canton schools Offers 4 BR 2 1/2 baths finished bsmt 2 car attd garage unique vaulted ceilings Family rm w/natural FP (D1353)

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CANTON \$281,500
DREAM MAKER! Backing to the pond! Ready to move in 4 bdrm 2 1/2 bath col FR DR fabulous kit w/oak cabinets island hrdwd floor 2 301 sq ft 2 car gar Nicely landscaped (23P4288)

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LIVONIA \$274,900
MINT ONE OWNER COLONIAL! 2 230 SF 4 BR 2 1/2 baths A must see home! South of Five Mile & East of Levan (26LYN2)

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CANTON \$249,900
THE PRICE IS RIGHT! For the buyer who will not compromise! 3 bdrms 2 1/2 baths 2 car garage Close to the Summit & Pheasant Run golf course Move in unpack! (23T1693)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$244,000
FABULOUSLY UPDATED COLONIAL includes vinyl windows new entrance door & oak kitchen hdwd flooring huge mstr ste fin d bsmt and oversized premium yard w/v ewl (20HEM2)

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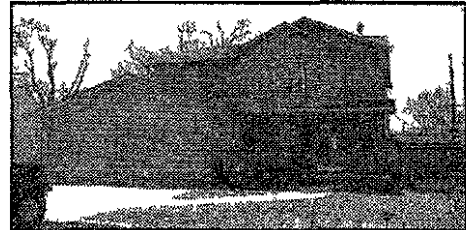
LIVONIA \$229,900
1ST ONE WINS! Prvt yd backs to ravine open fir pin new furn r/c/a wndws pergos updated bath Call for more too many to list! Sought after area walk to schools (P17525)

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PLYMOUTH \$214,900
DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH CHARMER! Remarkable curb appeal! Delightful ns de covered ceilings in LR original drs w/glass door knobs Updtd win siding gutters & bath Pergo flr in Retro kitchen (02ADA2)

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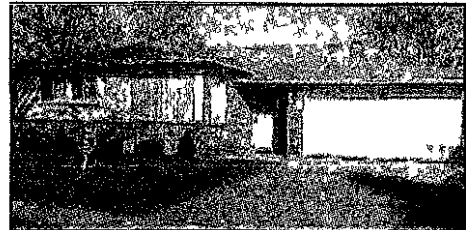
FARMINGTON HILLS \$211,900
ABSOLUTELY STUNNING 3 bdrm 1 1/2 bath Colonial offers finished basement living family and dining rooms C/A hardwood floors custom window treatments all appliances to stay (R215)

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WESTLAND \$205,900
ONCE A MODEL! 3 BR 2 1/2 bath colonial freshly painted FR w/vaulted cing & recessed lights 1st fl laundry mstr BR has attd wic & bath attd 2 car parking pad & 2 car gar (C36629)

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LIVONIA \$199,900
DESIRABLE 3 BR, 3 BATH BRICK RANCH in great sub! Newer kitchen with open FR swim club park and schools conveniently located in sub! (72STO2)

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CANTON \$199,000
ENJOY SPACIOUS LIVING in this 3 bdrm 1 1/2 bath col in popular Edenbrooke Estates FR w/ nat frplc lg kit & dining area Fin bsmt all appliances remain Don't miss this one! (23G42260)

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PLYMOUTH \$194,900
A CALL FROM THE PAST! Want to live in a quiet friendly neighborhood with an old fashioned enclosed front porch? You can w/this 3 bdrm 2 full bath updated ranch home Dream garage (23B11645)

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SOUTHFIELD \$189,900
PERSONALLY PERSONIFIED CAPE COD HOME with appeal sits back from the road Newer siding windows & gutters Large kitchen formal dining room fireplace in living room 10x10 Florida room with heat (184N)

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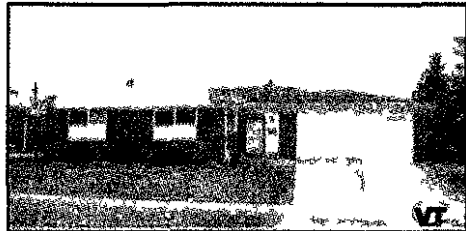
WAYNE \$179,900
A LOT OF HOUSE Models open 11-5 daily New construction with 4 ready to go! 5 lg BR FR GR den 2 full baths 2 car attd gar lg kit dining area Prices start at \$179 900 (V34460)

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WESTLAND \$169,900
WANTED BUYER WHO APPRECIATES VALUE for this 3 or 4 bedroom Colonial on large lot with family room fireplace 2 full baths newer roof and furnace and more (P359)

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WESTLAND \$169,900
POPULAR TONQUISH Beautiful 3 BR brick ranch offers family rm w/FP LR open fl plan doorwall in family rm leads to great deck 2 car attd garage finished bsmt & much more! (C33082)

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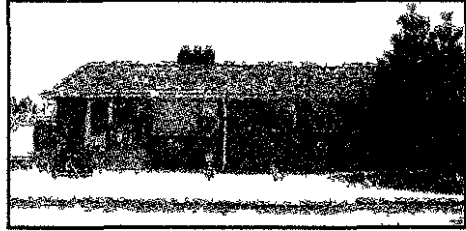
WESTLAND \$159,900
GREAT LOCATION, CLOSE TO EVERYTHING! 3 BR 1 1/2 bath colonial has been well cared for New 20x19 FR w/FP & hearth hrdwd in kit & dining area combo new wndws sprink syst over 1700 sq ft! (J34815)

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REDFORD \$141,000
EXCEPTIONAL REDFORD RANCH! Custom windows thruout professionally landscaped 3 BR part finished basement master BR has 11x4 WIC Must tour beautifully decorated home! (D26840)

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WESTLAND \$138,500
BRICK RANCH ON DOUBLE LOT In very nice subdivision of Westland 3 BR 2 baths over 1000 sq ft bsmt 2 car garage fenced yd etc (K7392)

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LIVONIA \$135,000
JUST LISTED! Updated 1400 sq ft 3 BR ranch on oversized fenced lot Family rm w/FP lg kitchen w/adorable bayed nook & attached garage Move in condition (L18903)

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LIVONIA \$134,900
HERE'S WHERE IT ALL STARTS! Located on a large lot offering updates including a newer furnace HWH & vinyl windows You'll be sure to appreciate the updated bath! (L20435)

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WESTLAND \$124,000
PUT ON YOUR WORK CLOTHES And fix this one up Lots of potential Large kitchen and 4 bedrooms with deck off master to above ground pool Buyer to bring up to code list in office (M385)

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DETROIT \$109,900
OVERLOOKS PARK 3/4 bdrm brick Ranch offers 1 1/2 car garage built in 1999 newer roof windows curb breakers sidewalk Hardwood floors part fin bsmt Storage galore (O141)

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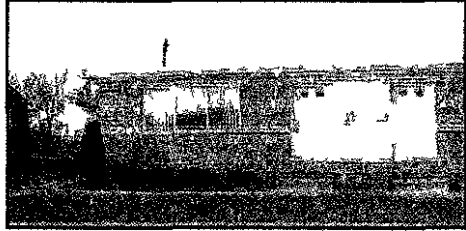
WAYNE \$103,900
CORNER LOT Sharp 3 bedroom Ranch Updates include maintenance free outside roof windows carpeting in bedrooms bath room Solar and hot water baseboard heating (C322)

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