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Skate dates

City of Plymouth officials recently released more dates for the mobile skatepark in the city



The skate park will be at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer Friday and again Wednesday Aug 21 at Rotary Park on Herald between Wing and Maple Aug 19 and at Cannon Park on Farmer between Mill and Starkweather on Friday Aug 23 In addition city officials are looking at working with neighborhood groups to make the park available for block parties and some special events according to Neighborhood Services Coordinator Scott Cabauatan

So far we've had a great turnout he said The kids absolutely love it It's especially nice now that we're getting out into the community parks

Questions should be directed to Cabauatan at (734) 453 7737

Blood drive

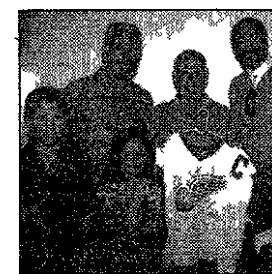
People willing to donate blood to help the American Red Cross obliterate its short age are going to get their chance next month

The ARC will sponsor a blood drive at the Plymouth District Library from 17 p.m. Tuesday Sept 3 Donors can sign up in person on the main floor of the library during normal business hours until Sept 3 Walk ins will also be welcome For more information call the library (734) 453 0733

Successful outing

More than 200 golfers hit the Links of Novi late last month and the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan was the major benefactor of their largesse

The sixth annual John F. Aho Memorial Golf Outing July 20 raised nearly \$40,000 to benefit the CLF A Detroit Red Wings jersey signed by all members of the 2002 Stanley Cup champions fetched



\$6,500 from Roy Aho of Plymouth

The outing was organized by George Aho of Plymouth in memory of his brother John who died of acute myelogenous leukemia in 1997

When John became ill and was hospitalized he was very concerned about the children on the ward with him George Aho said

Stewart claims easy primary win



John Stewart goes over early primary results with campaign volunteers Donna Keough (left), Michelle Vanston (sitting) and his wife, Beth late Tuesday evening

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township) woke up Wednesday morning knowing this time he wouldn't have to face a recount

Stewart, who calls himself a moderately conservative Republican, beat challenger Jonathon Grant of Plymouth, capturing 56 percent of the vote in Tuesday's 20th House District Republican primary Stewart won 3,566 to 2,822, capturing Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Northville, Northville Township and Canton Township Stewart lost by only a handful of votes to Grant in Wayne

Two years ago, Stewart went to bed thinking he had won, but woke up to hear his challenger, Teresa Folino, claimed victory After a recount, Stewart won by 81 votes

"I have the reaffirmation of the voters for the job I did, the hard work I put in," said Stewart "My constituents know I'll do whatever I can for them I'm thankful for this opportunity to serve again"

In reality, Stewart needs to jump one more hurdle to officially be re-elected He'll face off against Democrat Mark Blackwell of Wayne in the Nov. 5 general election However, despite redistricting which added Democratic Wayne as part of the district, the 20th remains mostly Republican, with the Republican primary winner generally the victor in November

Stewart said he's always lived by his mother's golden rule Always be kind and patient, and you will be a winner The first-term legislator said he needed to remind himself during a campaign that, at times, became negative

"Over \$50,000 was spent by millionaire Betsy DeVos and the Great Lakes Education Project to get me," he said "The Carl Berrys of the world who've been throwing innuendo and false stories about me The barrage of criticisms and falsehoods perpetuated and promulgated by (Plymouth) Mayor Bill Graham, who ought to be ashamed of himself"

PHOTO BY DONALD J. ALLEY

PLEASE SEE STEWART, A4

Gerou, Woodside earn spots in November race for judicial seat

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Mike Gerou woke up Wednesday morning with an ear infection, a pretty good sunburn, blisters on his feet — and an easy first-place finish in the race for the new 35th District Court judgeship

Gerou, a Plymouth attorney who also ran for the bench in 1994, captured 6,073 votes to outdistance Karen Woodside of Northville, who gathered 3,757 The top two vote-getters will now face off in the November general election

"It turned out great," an elated Gerou said Wednesday, just hours after getting the final tally "We had a campaign plan that included best-case and worst-case scenarios, and

obviously this is a best-case scenario"

Eric Colthurst of Northville, who currently serves as a magistrate at the 35th District Court, finished a close third, just 73 votes behind Woodside The 35th District Court serves the cities of Plymouth and Northville and Northville and Canton townships



Gerou

Gerou carried both Plymouths and Canton Township, while Woodside, a former Northville Township supervisor, predictably carried Northville and Northville Township But it was

Gerou's performance in Canton Township, where he more than doubled Woodside, that made the difference Gerou got 2,985 votes to Woodside's 1,332 in Canton

While Gerou's status as the front-runner was never really in question, the race for the second spot on the November ballot was extremely close all night

Woodside took the Northvilles by a combined 1,496-876, but Colthurst bounced back in the Plymouths to beat her 1,762-929 Colthurst, who has been a magistrate in the court for 16 years, thought his vote total in Canton would be better, but Woodside outperformed him there, beating him nearly 300 votes to earn the decisive 73 votes

PLEASE SEE JUDGE, A4

ELECTION		PRIMARY RESULTS	
Editor's note: Following are unofficial Plymouth and Plymouth Township only vote totals from selected races in Tuesday's primary election. Overall winners are identified in bold type.			
PLYMOUTH	Republican Party	County Executive	
State Governor (R)	Dick Posthumus 2,889	Benny Napoleon	413
	John Joe Schwarz 878	Ricardo Solomon	77
		Joe Young	50
		Bernard J. Youngblood	130
		Robert A. Ficano	4,315
		Non-Partisan	
		35th District New	
		Judgeship	
		<i>Term ending 1-1-2011</i>	
		Thomas Doetsch	283
		David J. Esper	796
		Michael Fifer	162
		Michael J. Gerou	2,385
		James F. Malinowski	425
		Timothy M. O'Connor	747
		Karen Woodside	929
		Eric Colthurst	1762
		Sheila Walsh Crowley	371
		C. Meghan Mathews Dodson	159

Tree replacements proposed

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When Wayne County officials start removing dead or dying ash trees from county right-of-ways in Plymouth Township later this year, residents may find help replacing lost trees from an expected source — the Plymouth Township general fund budget

Township Supervisor Steve Mann plans to present a plan at Tuesday's board of trustees

meeting that would set aside \$100,000 in the next budget year to pay for replacement of what is expected to be scores of ash trees the county marks for removal County officials are currently marking such trees — those at least 50 percent dead and at least six inches in diameter — for removal later this year The trees exist in what is county property in the right-of-way throughout the township

PLEASE SEE TREES, A7

Neighborhood residents want tree trucks off local streets

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

After years of getting nowhere with the city administration, nearly a dozen residents in the Hough Park neighborhood confronted the Plymouth city commission Monday night with complaints about a neighbor they say is running a tree service business out of his home in violation of city ordinances

"We request the enforcement of the city laws regarding running a commercial business creating a huge nuisance in the neighborhood," said Karen Valenti, who has lived on S Evergreen for 19 years "We also worry about the safety of our children At seven in the morning, trucks are lined up and down the street and in front of the stop sign"

Oddly enough, the commission meeting was

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HAPPENINGS

LID ON IT

Roy Hart is going to have find a new pet project

Hart, one of the most consistent observers of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees, has been asking the board for years to get lids for the townships recycling bins

Finally, the township listened

Lids are available for \$4 apiece at the townships Division of Public Services, 46555 Port St., Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Though the lids are now available, their use is not required

"We always have wind, and trash pickup always seems to be on the worst day," said Hart, who started asking for the lids about two years ago. "I am continually picking up plastic bottles, paper, what have you from neighbors upwind. It's a total mess

"These things are not that expensive, and we could beautify everyone's neighborhoods," Hart added. "We don't need to be dodging this stuff"

Questions can be directed to the township's solid waste department at (734) 453-8131, Ext. 33

AGE REVERSAL

During Monday's city commission meeting, one woman noticed a trend in the way city commissioners were voting about whether to grant the Fall Festival an extra hour the first two nights of this year's festival

The committee was making its second bid for permission to keep carnival rides open until 11 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6 and Saturday, Sept. 7. Local prep football teams play games both days, and chairman Mark Baldwin wanted to keep the rides open to allow fans of the teams to still be able to take part in Fall Festival. Baldwin also argued the extra revenue would help make Fall Festival self-sustaining

However, city ordinances close Kellogg Park at 10 p.m., and a majority of commissioners weren't in favor of extending it, primarily citing noise annoyances for nearby residents

The vote was 4-3 against granting the extension, but it was the way commissioners voted that intrigued the woman in the audience. Mayor Bill Graham and commissioners Stella Greene and Ron Loiselle were in favor of the

extra hour, Mayor Pro-Tem Colleen Pobur and commissioners Michele Potter, Dan Dwyer and Phil Pursell were not

Which prompted this response from the woman: "It seems like the 'old fogies' (on the commission) are in favor of it, and the young kids are not"

CHORUS FUNDS

The Plymouth Community Chorus is looking for help raising money to fund their musical scholarships and charitable activities, and are turning to the 2003 Entertainment Book for assistance

Chorus members will be selling the book, featuring up to 50-percent savings at restaurants, movies, sporting events, hotels and golf

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WRITER'S SEMINAR

Writers looking for tips or encouragement getting started get their chance at a writing seminar at the Plymouth Coffee Bean Aug.

13-14

The seminar will be taught by local writer Cheryl Vatcher, who teaches at Schoolcraft College and Davenport University. She won a creative writer-in-residency position in 2001 with ArtServe Michigan, and holds a master's degree from the University of Michigan's Rackham School of Education

The seminar, which runs from 1-2:30 p.m., is designed for writers 16 and older. Cost is \$30. Registration at the door will be accepted. For more information, call (734) 414-8680

A CHOW DOWN

The Plymouth Community United Way will be the beneficiary of the Chow Down for Charity, which will be held Tuesday, Aug. 13

Four restaurants — Compari's on the Park, Sean O'Callaghan's, Dunleavy's Grill and Atlantis — will donate part of the day's sales to the United Way

It's a good excuse to eat out lunch and dinner, experience some of Plymouth's best restaurants, and support a number of charities in the Plymouth community

Drug thief robs Plymouth Kmart

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

A man walked into the Ann Arbor Road Kmart Tuesday, armed with a gun and a desire for drugs, and held up the pharmacy for a bottle of generic vicodin

The robbery took place around 6 p.m., when the unidentified man walked into the pharmacy, forced one pharmacist to the floor and grabbed another by the arm, according to Plymouth Township police reports

The man demanded to know where the drug was kept. When the female pharmacist pointed it out, the man grabbed a bottle of the generic drug hydrocodone, "stuffed it down his pants," and left the store, witnesses told police

The suspect left the store, but no one saw what direction he traveled or what mode of transportation he used. Police have no suspects at this time

However, a store surveillance tape has been sent to the Michigan State Police, Plymouth Township Police Officer Jamie Senkbeil said. "We hope the tape can help identify the suspect," Senkbeil said

Witnesses couldn't provide a detailed description. The suspect is described as being about 5-foot-11, 160 pounds, wearing a green shirt, baseball cap and sunglasses

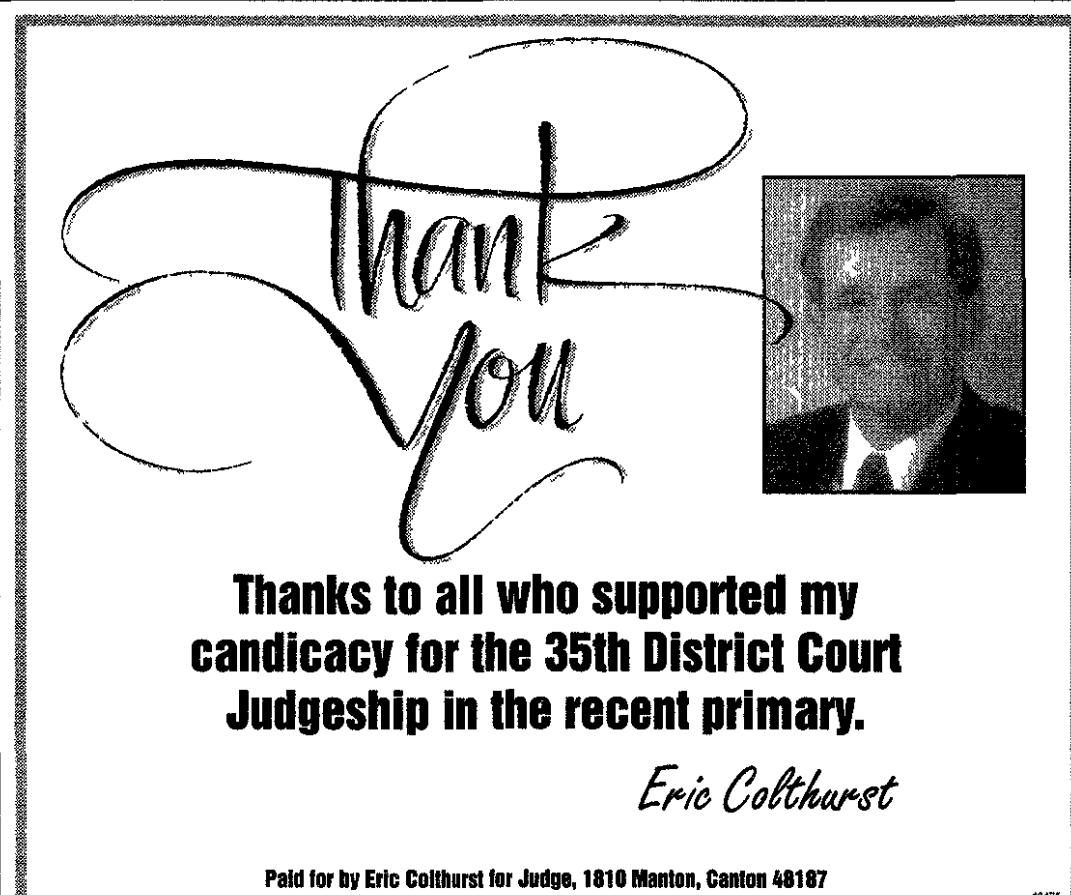
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Ficano wins handily in executive race

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

Though he waited until the early hours to savor the moment, Wayne County Sheriff Robert Ficano wrung out his bid for the Democratic candidacy for Wayne County Executive a little further by telling campaigners and well-wishers at Cobo's Rvreview Ballroom that he'd wait until Wednesday morning before claiming absolute victory.

Which was entirely redundant as Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick congratulated him on his crushing victory over the other Democratic hopefuls three hours earlier Tuesday night.

According to unofficial election results, with 94.4 percent of the precincts counted, Ficano garnered 157,169 votes to take 52 percent of the electorate. His nearest Democratic competitor, former Detroit Police Chief Benny Napoleon, brought in 66,001 votes to win 22 percent.

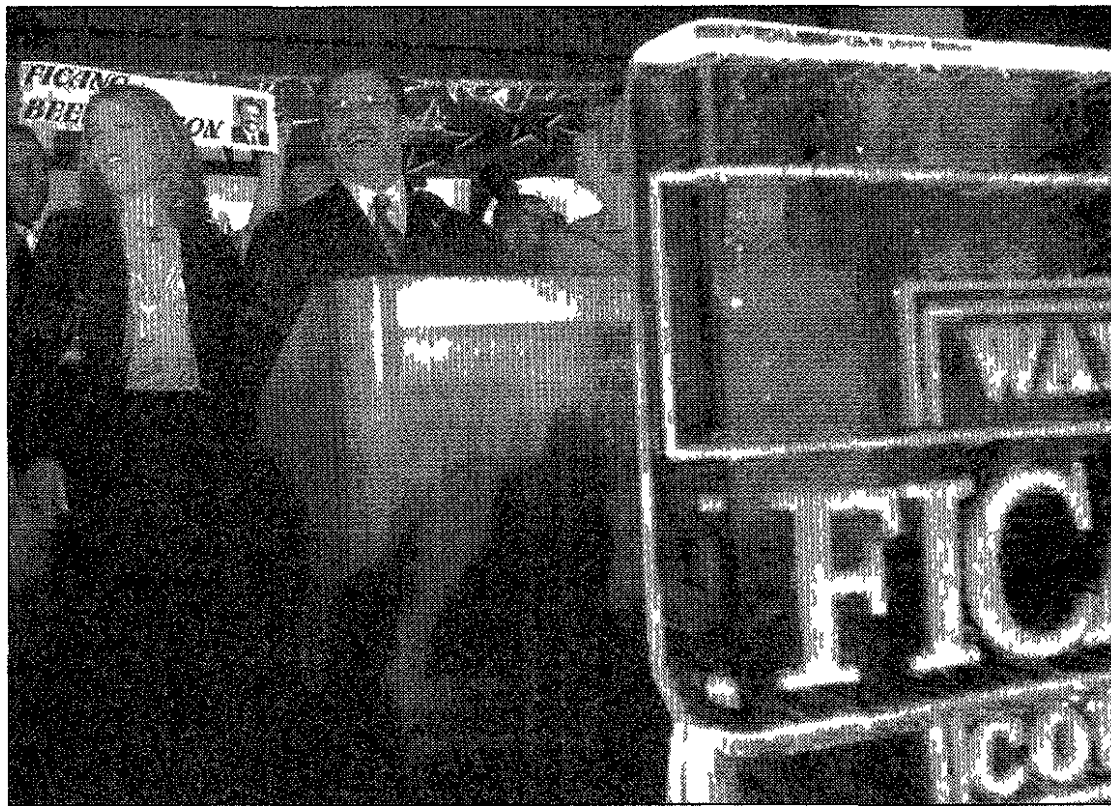
Ficano will face off in November against the Republican frontrunner Metro Airport Policeman Richard Frederick who got 13,468 votes — 4.5 percent of the total turnout.

Ficano turned to the chanting faithful and thanked them for a hard job well done.

"I want to thank God," Ficano said. "There are so many people to thank, the volunteers, the supporters and the campaign staff who worked every night and weekend, they put in a tremendous effort."

While he wouldn't claim outright victory in the primary, he told the enthusiastic crowd that tomorrow will be a new day in Wayne County.

Ficano promised the assembled crowd the type of county where their grandchildren would want to



Robert Ficano and his family including daughter, Sabrina, left ended the evening by thanking everyone who helped them along the way.

raise their families headed by a government that works for its residents — not for itself.

The sheriff credited a strong campaign that stressed his slogan of "strong, honest and fair" as one that resonated with voters across the county. He said that, if elected to the executive post in November, he'd meet with the current administration to look at the books and programs for economic development and community mental health.

"Everything seems stable," Ficano said. "I just want to make sure they are before we can move ahead."

Mayor Kilpatrick, who congratulated Ficano on

his victory at 9:30 that evening, said that the win was a good thing for the city of Detroit.

"I'm proud," he said. "He worked hard and won it. He said he looked forward to working with Ficano, particularly because his 'Kids, Cops and Clean' initiative necessitates considerable partnership with county government."

Freeways, parks, snow removal and transportation are handled by the county, so we'll have to coordinate with them," Kilpatrick said.

He said the city will work with the county and the state as well to put together packages to bring federal dollars to the entire region.

KATY BATDORFF | OBSERVER

Local turnout tops state averages

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

It still wasn't what local clerks would like to see, but at least voter turnout in Plymouth and Plymouth Township exceeded expectations.

In the days leading up to Tuesday's primary elections, experts were predicting a turnout of around 22 percent statewide. While most returns say that's about what the average was, local turnout was considerably higher.

In Plymouth Township, for instance, nearly 37 percent of the township's 20,153 registered voters hit the polls, including absentee voters.

Precinct 15, located at First United Methodist Church on N. Territorial, was the township's busiest with 450 ballots cast. Precinct 11 at First Baptist Church, also on N. Territorial, had 416 voters.

"That's a pretty good turnout," township clerk Marilyn Massengill said. "You'd like to see better than that, but we did better than they predicted across the state."

Meanwhile, in the city, turnout was nearly 33 percent. Precinct 3, located at Central Middle School, was the city's busiest, getting casting 739 votes, including 236 absentee ballots. Precinct 4, located at the Plymouth Cultural Center, had 597 total voters, including 253 absentee ballots.

City clerk Linda Langmesser said she thought the governor's race and the race for the new judgeship in the 35th District Court helped bring out the vote. Some voters tended to agree, while others had their own reasons.

Plymouth Township resident Mark Goodwin said the Wayne County special education millage was worth a visit to the polls.

"I believe in the increase in the millage for what it wanted," said Goodwin, who voted for Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus in the governor's race because he's in favor of leaving Proposal A, the school funding formula alone. "Otherwise, I would have voted for (Jennifer) Granholm."

The special education millage, dubbed Special K, also brought Plymouth resident Jennifer Potter to the polls at Isbister Elementary.

"I have a special education child and I wanted to make sure my vote got in for that," said Potter, who pointed out she'd like to see more funding for special education.

Staff Writer Christine Broda contributed to this report.

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Special education millage passes

BY GREG MIGLIORIS
STAFF WRITER

Detroit voters' strong support for Proposal K, which increases the funding for special education programs in Wayne County, was enough to overcome suburban opposition Tuesday.

With 94.4 percent of precincts reporting Wednesday afternoon, the proposal to add 1.5 mills in property taxes had passed with 54 percent (160,721/338,305).

The measure passed overwhelmingly in Detroit with 67 percent but lost in suburban communities with only 46 percent support.

County school superintendents and the Regional Education Service Agency

The increase, which will start in December, was sought to pay for the increase in special education enrollments.

(RESA) sponsored the proposal.

It's a win-win for all kids," said Jay Young of Livonia Public Schools.

The increase, which will start in December, was sought to pay for the increase in special education enrollments, which is more than 44,000 county students — or one in eight. About 8,000 students have severe impairments.

"We have a family friend who's a spe-

cial ed student and they're underfunded," said Joe Sattler, who voted for the proposal.

State and federal governments have mandated increases in special education services without providing funding, forcing school districts to use more general education money.

"We will not have to raid our general education fund," Young said.

Government funding is supposed to

be 40 percent, but has not gone above 12 percent, according to RESA. The millage increase will cost the owner of a \$52,000 house, which is the median in the county, about \$35 a year. It will raise about \$59 million in the first year.

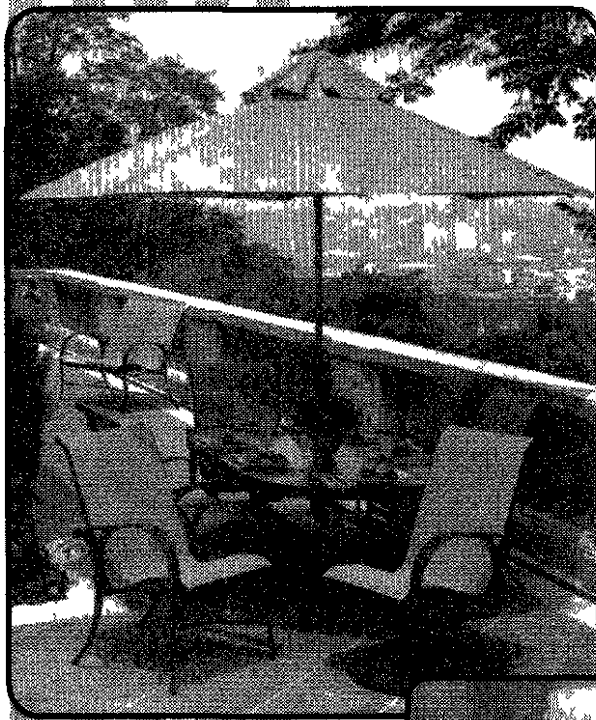
The services will help students with physical and mental impairments. There are also programs for young children with special needs.

It really provides quality needed services for the severely impaired kids," Young said.

The original millage was passed in 1974 at 1 mill. It was increased a mill by voters in 1988 and has been rolled back to 1.8679.

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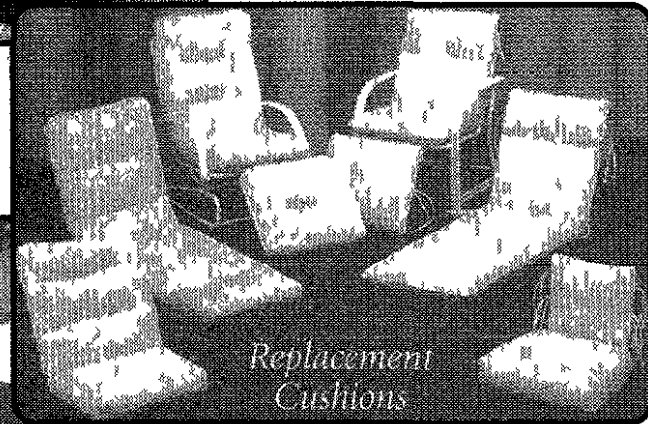


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Eric Colthurst looks over election results for his run for 35th District Court with Teresa Folino at their election party at E G Nicks on Tuesday

JUDGE

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Others may have been surprised by her showing in Canton, but Woodside wasn't. 'I've been involved in Canton a lot,' said Woodside, who has served as vice-chair of the Western Township Utilities Authority. The three townships (Northville, Plymouth and Canton) work together a lot, so the people there know me and know my work.'

Colthurst was disappointed that he couldn't put up better numbers, but said he won't seek a recount despite the narrow loss.

'We trust the voting procedure,' Colthurst said. 'We just did not distinguish ourselves from the other candidates. That's what it came down to.'

Eyes now turn toward November, when Gerou and Woodside face off in the general election. Woodside thinks she can eclipse Gerou's wide margin of victory by then.

'We're going to work very hard,' Woodside said. 'I'm supported by 17 judges, and I expect that number to grow. I'm going to be out there meeting every voter and working very hard to let folks know who we are.'

Gerou drew a baseball analogy for the general election.

'It's like a whole new game, where the score is 0-0,' he said. 'You can't get complacent. You have to look at it as a whole new campaign. We're going to start over and go from there.'

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Jonathon Grant and wife Julie anxiously listen to primary returns Tuesday evening at E G Nicks

STEWART

FROM PAGE A1

I've been put through the wringer, added Stewart. 'I think, unnecessarily, I've been tested. I have every reason to believe they're going to come back with somebody else for me in the next two years, and I will be ready for them.'

The day after being defeated, Grant said he will be that person. 'I will be back,' said Grant when asked if he would run again in 2004.

'The most compelling fact is that within seven months I've convinced 43 percent of the voters that I'm right, Grant said. 'I'm just going to keep pounding away.'

This was never a race between Betsy DeVos and GLEP against John Stewart. This was a race with an incumbent who has voted over

and over to raise taxes.

Grant said he won't stand in the way of Stewart becoming re-elected in November, however he won't help Stewart, either.

'It's absolutely critical the Republicans retain this seat,' said Grant. 'I will do nothing to prevent that from happening.'

'However, I won't offer any amount of support.' Stewart said it's time to start thinking about the issues for the next two years.

'It's the budget, the economy, trying to help business provide jobs in this area,' Stewart said. 'I have no intent to touch Proposal A, but we have to stabilize the foundation grant, and maybe increase the per pupil amount. One third of our budget is education, and that's a prime issue with me.'

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TIMOTHY M. O'CONNOR

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I would like to thank all my family and friends for your tireless efforts and unwavering support. This experience has taught me a great deal about friendship.

Special thanks to Mike MacIntosh and his family without your help this campaign would not have been possible. I also want to thank my wife Sue and daughters Kelly & Erin. I am a very lucky man.

As I walked from door to door over the past few months I was touched by the countless displays of patriotism. I also truly enjoyed meeting you, my neighbors, and spending time on your front porch.

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McCotter rolls past Hagerty for 11th District nomination

BY GREG MIGLIORE
STAFF WRITER

State Sen Thaddeus McCotter said he viewed the Republican primary as the first bridge to cross in his race for the 11th District seat in Congress. And he crossed it easily. In the unofficial vote count Wednesday, McCotter had 68.5 percent of the votes and Canton businessman David Hagerty had 31.5 percent.

"This is the first bridge we had to cross," McCotter said. "There remains a bigger bridge to cross in November. We're not losing focus of that."

McCotter, fortified by strong sup-

port in Livonia, won with 74.7 percent (17,348-5,871) in Wayne County. He got 57.7 percent (7,751-5,677) in Oakland County.

"We gave it our best shot with the resources we had," Hagerty said. He also said he was glad he was able to participate in the race.

"The most rewarding part was meeting the people," Hagerty said. "The people were phenomenal. I wouldn't have passed this up for anything."

Redford Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley, a Democrat, ran unopposed in the primary. He got 43,665 votes in Wayne and

12,168 in Oakland.

"I think it's going to be a challenge," Kelley said. "We're going to do everything we can to win. I'm very excited about my prospects in the fall."

McCotter said the differences in party philosophies will be showcased and that taxes will be a key issue.

He's pretty much a standard-line Democrat and I'm pretty much a standard-line Republican," McCotter said.

The newly re-drawn 11th District includes parts of western Wayne and Oakland counties.

It stretches from Highland and White Lake in the northwest to Belleville in the south. It includes

Redford and parts of Dearborn Heights in the east; Livonia, Garden City, Westland, Plymouth, Canton and Northville are also among the communities in the district.

McCotter, of Livonia, represents the 9th District in the state senate, which includes Livonia, Northville, Redford, Plymouth and the northern part of Canton.

He chairs the Local, Urban and State Affairs Committee and the Government Operations Committee. He has been in office since 1998. He was on the Wayne County Commission from 1992-1998.

Kelley has been supervisor since 1996. He also was deputy supervisor for five years and served on the Wayne County Commission. He is the son of former Detroit councilmen Jack Kelley.

McCotter and Kelley both graduated from Redford Catholic Central.

Hagerty said he will continue to run his Dearborn-based business, Globaltec Industries.

It specializes in crisis and emergency management consulting. He also said he will remain very active in politics.

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Special ed millage passes

BY GREG MIGLIORE
STAFF WRITER

Detroit voters' strong support for Proposal K, which increases the funding for special education programs in Wayne County, was enough to overcome suburban opposition Tuesday.

With 94.4 percent of precincts reporting Wednesday afternoon, the proposal to add 1.5 mills in property taxes had passed with 54 percent (160,721-138,305).

The measure passed overwhelmingly in Detroit with 67 percent but lost in suburban communities with only 46 percent support.

County school superintendents and the Regional Education Service Agency (RESA) sponsored the proposal.

"It's a win-win for all kids," said Jay Young of Livonia Public Schools.

The increase, which will start in December, was sought to pay for the increase in special education enrollments, which is more than 44,000 county students - or one in eight. About 8,000 students have severe impairments.

"We have a family friend who's a special ed student and they're underfunded," said Joe Sattler, who voted for the proposal.

State and federal governments have mandated increases in special education services without providing funding, forcing school districts to use more general education money.

"We will not have to raid our general education fund," Young said.

Government funding is supposed to be 40 percent, but has not gone above 12 percent, according to RESA.

The millage increase will cost the owner of a \$52,000 house, which is the median in the county, about \$35 a year. It will raise about \$59 million in the first year.

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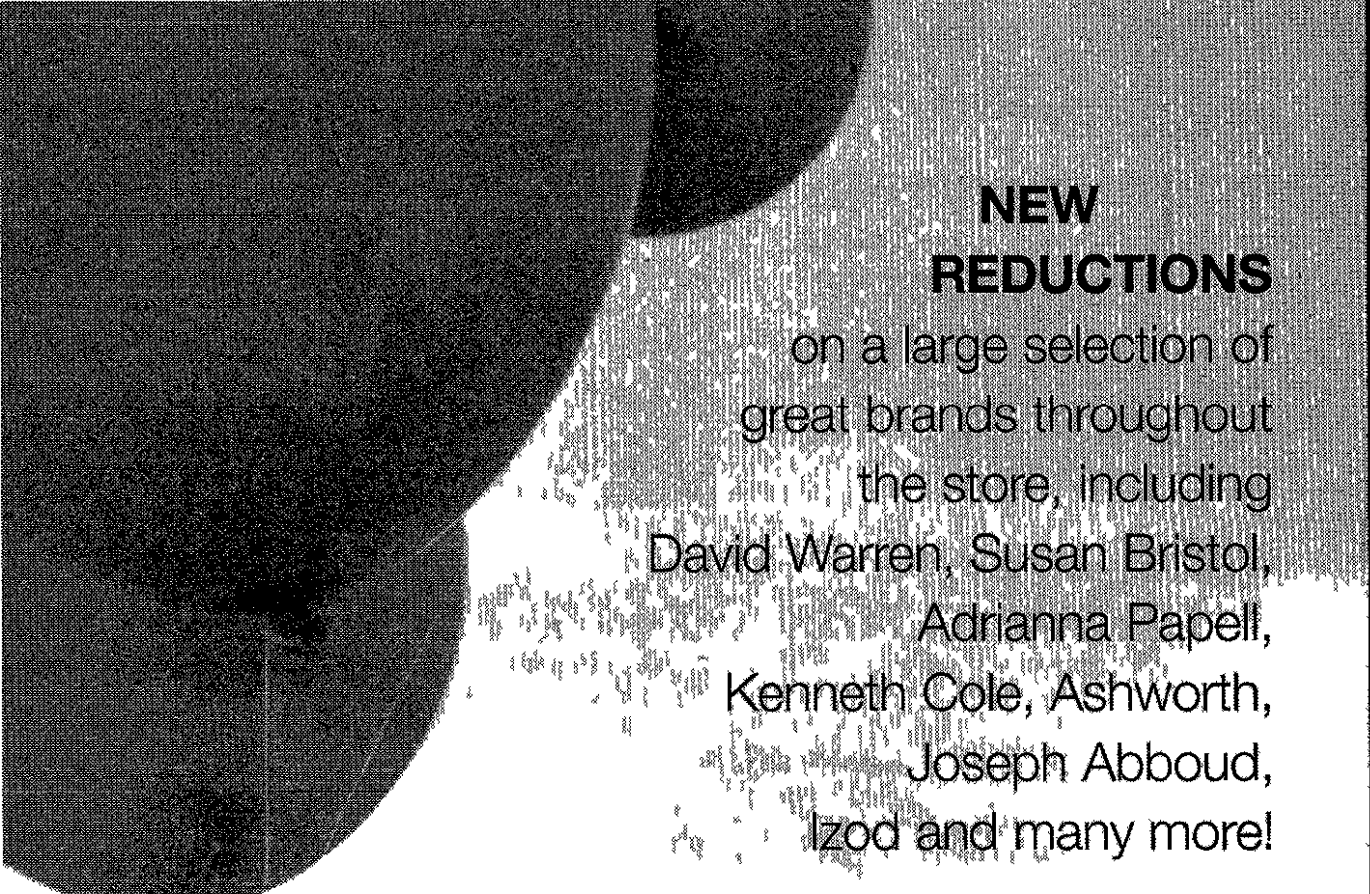
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Bernice Elizabeth Hubbell

Services for Bernice Hubbell, 98, of Commerce Township, were held July 31 at MacDonald's Funeral Home in Howell with burial at Lakeview Cemetery in Howell

Mrs Hubbell was born May 16, 1904 in Freeland, Mich and died July 27 in Commerce Township She is a retired Chief Bookkeeper at National Bank of Detroit in the Plymouth branch She was a life member of the Howell Chapter 372 of the Order of Eastern Star She was a graduate of Ferris State College

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rodney Lewis Hubbell in 1972, and sisters, Sadie Graves and Mary Slosser Survivors include son, Geoffrey (Karen) Hubbell of Howell, daughter, Suzanne Haas of Commerce Township, five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and sister, Virginia King of Midland Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Integrated Health Services Arrangements made by MacDonalds Funeral Home

Dorothy Zdan

Services for Dorothy Zdan, 61, of Canton were held July 31 at the Neely-Turovski Funeral Home with Mr Dan Weideman officiating

Mrs. Zdan was born June 18, 1941 in Detroit and died July 27 at Arbor Hospice She was a secretary

Survivors include husband, William, daughters, Jeanni (Shawn) Munday, and Andrea (Ryan) Nowak, brother, William (Kat), granddaughter, Alson, brother, Robert (Ruth) Bollinger, and sister, Robin (Alan) Smith

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association Arrangements made by Neely-Turovski Funeral Home

Laura Elizabeth Weir

Services for Laura Weir, 28, of Canton were held July 29 at St John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev Andrew Webster officiating Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield

Laura was born May 29, 1976 in Ypsilanti and died July 25 at Angela Hospice She lived in Canton for 26 years She was an elementary school teacher at

St Mary School in Wayne, All Saints School in Canton, Tonda Elementary in Canton, plus numerous substitute positions in Plymouth-Canton and Livonia School districts She held a bachelor of arts degree and Michigan teaching certificate from Grand Valley State University She was a member of the Girl Scouts, Huron Valley Council troop leader, camp counselor, member of St John Neumann Praise Choir and St John Neumann Young Adult Group She was awarded Outstanding Leader in 2001-G S HVC She enjoyed reading, dance (ballet), and collecting doll house miniatures

Survivors include parents, Robert (Barbara) Weir of Canton, sisters, Jennifer (Kenneth) Meyers of Lake Orion and Kelly Weir of Canton, brothers, Rob Weir of Canton and Kevin Weir of Canton, grandmother, Elizabeth G Weir of Redford, grandfather, James Owen Fagan of Redford, and several cousins, aunts and uncles Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

Sandra Lee Scharmen

Services for Sandra Scharmen, 55, of Plymouth were held July 27 at St Paul's Presbyterian Church with the Rev Kenneth F Gruebel officiating

Mrs Scharmen was born Oct 21, 1946 in Detroit and died July 23 at University Hospital She was employed as a collection manager She was a member of St Paul's Presbyterian Church

Sandra was preceded in death by her mother, Jean Paxton

Survivors include husband, Charles F Scharmen of Plymouth, father, John S Paxton of South Lyon, son, Michael A Scharmen of Belleville, daughters, Tracy L (Roland) Fera of Redford and Amy M Scharmen of Plymouth, brothers, Randolph Paxton of Highlands, N C and John Paxton of Alpharetta, Ga, and granddaughter, Alexis Fera

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Pamela A. Forrestall

Services for Pamela Forrestall, 52, of Canton were held July 25 at St Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church with the Rev Gerald V Bechard officiating

Mrs Forrestall was born Nov 8, 1949 in Detroit and died July 22 in Southfield She was an information operator with AT&T She was a member of St Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church

Survivors include husband, Michael Forrestall of Canton, daughter, Felecia Forrestall of Canton, brother, Richard (Beth) Harvey of Grand Junction, Colo, brother, Kenneth (Barbara Jo) Harvey of Davsburg, and brother, Robert (Jessie) Harvey of Weedsport, NY

Memorial contributions may be made to Nash Syndrome or American Liver Research Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

Raymond H. Watkins, Jr.

Services for Raymond Watkins, 74, of Riverview will be held Aug 2 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Drex Morton officiating Burial will be at St Hedwig Cemetery in Dearborn Heights

Mr Watkins was born Dec 30, 1927 in Plymouth and died July 29 in Riverview He was a superintendent at Whitehead-Kales Steel Co in River Rouge He retired after 27 years of service He also was a courier for Southview Florist for over nine years He came to the Riverview community in 1995 from River Rouge He was a member of the United Steel Workers Union No 29 and was a veteran of World War II He enjoyed photography and was an avid trivia buff He also enjoyed antiques and antique shopping

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Pamela Watkins Survivors include sons, Robert Watkins of Roseville and Joe (Joann) Watkins of S C, daughter, Patricia Watkins of Phoenix, granddaughter, Robin Palmer of Taylor, great-granddaughter, Andrianna Lford of Taylor, sister, Betty Dane of Va, and many nieces and nephews Arrangements made by Schrader Howell Funeral Home

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TREES

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Wayne County will not pay to replace the trees, however. If residents want them replaced, under current guidelines, the residents would have to pay for the replacement.

That's where Mann's plan comes in.

He'll propose a 50-50 plan, where the township would bear half the cost of replacing the trees. Residents would bear the other half.

"The county is not going to pay

to replace them, and losing them would have a significant impact on the quality of life in our neighborhoods," Mann said. "The impact would be disastrous in terms of aesthetics and appearance."

Mann will propose a multi-year program for the replacement of the trees at Tuesday's meeting. For the \$100,000 he proposes the township set aside next year, he estimates about 400 trees could be replaced. Residents would be able to choose from a variety of trees, although the township would retain the right to over-ride the

residents' selection if factors warrant.

Mann may have trouble getting support from the board. When he first suggested the idea in June, it was met with lukewarm response.

"Plymouth Township isn't paying to cut the trees down," trustee Chuck Curm said. "Either the residents pay, or the county pays."

The board of trustees meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Plymouth Township Hall, located at Ann Arbor and Lilley.

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TRUCKS

FROM PAGE A1

held at Optimist Park, next to 546 S. Evergreen, where neighbors say Jeff Doyle is running MLS Tree Service. "It started with a couple of trucks. Now, they keep increasing the number of trucks, they keep getting bigger, it's noisy and the problems is intensifying. There are chippers, cherry pickers, big diesel trucks," said Valenti.

Jeff Doyle, owner of MLS Tree Service, which has a Westland address, said he parks his trucks at night in a lot at Starkweather and Mill. When asked if the trucks and crews converge on S. Evergreen in the mornings and afternoons, Doyle said, "We do a lot of work in the neighborhood and city of Plymouth. Maybe they are misconstruing things."

Doyle declined to comment further "until I see the minutes of the commission meeting."

Richard Newton, who lives next door to Doyle, doesn't believe that he, nor his friends

and neighbors, are misconstruing the facts.

"I see a lot of his trucks parked in front of my house, and he's not doing any work for me," said Newton.

Mayor Bill Graham met with some of the residents at a meeting more than a year ago about the problem. While Graham acknowledged Monday night he's never seen any trucks parked in the area, he told those in attendance, "I've just instructed the city manager to pursue this with our enforcement officer and chief building official. We will pursue it. You can count on that."

However, Wilma Newton wasn't buying it.

"I'm very hesitant as to what you say will be done," she said. "We never heard back from you at all. So, if you have somebody on your payroll who supposedly will put teeth into the ordinances, then I think you ought to do something about enforcing these things."

While Doyle said no one from the city has ever contacted him, Building Official Jim Penn said he's talked with Doyle several times over the

past several months. "Chuck Altman (code enforcement official) is working on it," said Penn. "We've been working on a strategy to get him to court."

"It's one of the most upscale neighborhoods in the city, and people don't deserve to have a neighbor that's running a business out of his home," said Penn.

Penn said the ordinance doesn't allow for homeowners to have a business in a residence that has outside employees working at the home. In this case, the workers may be meeting at Doyle's home for assignments, but they aren't working there.

And, despite driving by Doyle's home on numerous occasions, city officials admit they have yet to see what neighbors claim, making it difficult to take action the residents want.

If Doyle is eventually ticketed, Penn said a civil infraction violation is \$100 for the first violation, \$250 for the second, and \$500 for the third and subsequent violations.

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OUR VIEWS

Challenges await DDA chief

Robert Anderson agreed last week to a hand-shake deal with city manager Paul Sincock to become Plymouth's new Downtown Development Authority director. Considering the challenges the new guy in town will face when he starts his new gig in September, maybe both hands should have been shaking.

We kid, somewhat, because Plymouth is a dynamite city with a unique blend of folksy, Mom-and-Pop businesses, upscale restaurants and other retail outlets that help give the city its down-home yet upwardly mobile feel.

A lot has happened in the last couple of years. The opening of Starbucks and Panera Bread in the new Mayflower Centre show that Plymouth can also be home to major brand names. The emergence of restaurants such as Atlantis, Compari's, 336 Main, Bistro 550 and E G Nicks along with the rock-steady performance of established eateries such as the Box Bar, Station 885, Jack Dunleavy's, Lower Town Grill and Grecian Cafe has showcased Plymouth's attraction as a social venue.

And it only gets better when you realize there are still retail spots in the Mayflower to fill, not to mention the upscale residential spots at the top of that development. You've also got the Wilcox project going up across the street, a new drug store at the corner of Ann Arbor Road and Main and new retail spots going in next to Walker-Buzenberg on Main at the railroad tracks.

That's enough to have any new DDA chief champing at the bit. And Anderson, who has both municipal and private business experience, appears smart enough to know it. "Downtown Plymouth is an extraordinary gem," Anderson said. "It's unusual for a city to have a unique identity, and I'm lucky to have a role to help preserve such a special place."

Obviously, it doesn't come without challenges. The explosion of restaurants has left a city already strapped for parking spaces in a tight bind. One of the criticisms of former DDA chief Melanie Purcell, whom Anderson replaces, is that she didn't do enough to help the city solve its parking problem. Although that's technically the city commissions responsibility, the DDA director can — and should — have a heavy hand in any planning of that nature.

He's also got to find ways to continually fill the empty storefronts popping up around the downtown area. Providing a fine retail blend is a fabric someone with Anderson's background should be able to weave.

Sincock did a good job sifting through the hundred or so applications, and the city commission should be applauded for getting their man, and getting him quickly.

Now Anderson will have to prove they got the right guy — and this unique city with its special set of challenges should provide him plenty of opportunity to do just that.

Don't give up your right to vote

The primary is over, on to the general election. Once again the majority of adult citizens chose not to exercise their right to vote.

All the elements were right for a large voter turnout. The weather Tuesday was perfect. On the Democratic side, there was a hotly contested race for the gubernatorial nomination and for the county executive's seat. On the Republican side, there were a couple contested legislative seats and a gubernatorial contest. There were three tax proposals.

We are coming to the end of a difficult year in the history of this country. In four weeks, we'll mark the anniversary of the horrible terrorist attacks on New York and Washington. In the wake of those attacks, everyone was quick to proclaim their patriotism, wave their flags and hoot about what a great, free, democratic nation we are.

Yet when we are called on to do the most basic of our obligations as a free people, we shrug our shoulders and go golfing.

We encourage our readers to stay informed and active in the political process. In the November general election you will have much to decide.

Do you want to continue the conservative policies of the John Engler administration under the new leadership of Dick Posthumus or do you want to change to the leadership of Jennifer Granholm, a moderate Democrat? Do you want to continue with Democrat Carl Levin as your United States senator or do you prefer state Rep. Andrew Raczkowski? For Congress you have a clear choice between state Sen. Thaddeus McCotter and Redford Supervisor Kevin Kelley.

Gov. Engler has spoken out against three proposals that are expected to be on the November ballot. He calls them budget busters. Do you agree?

The choice is yours. The choice on all these candidates and issues is yours. All you have to do is register and vote. It's what America is all about!



LISA FEDOR

The folks in Old Village and at Habitat for Humanity teamed up with the real stars of the Old Village Classic Car Show to put on a quality first-year event, and raise hopes for an even better turnout next year.

LETTERS

No more charters

I was very glad to finish my degree at Starkweather School, which is part of the Plymouth-Canton Public School system. I am surprised that several facts about "charter schools" have not been discussed in your newspaper.

In Michigan over 90 percent of all students are educated in the public school system. Michigan has the third most charter schools.

Over 70 percent of all charter schools in Michigan are run by private management companies for profit. No elected school boards for charter schools means no accountability. There is no requirement by law to disclose finances. Nepotism is unchecked.

Turnover of teachers is almost 100 percent within three years. Charter schools are a place where teachers go to look for another job.

The State Auditor General's report, a 93-page study dated June 10, severely criticized the complete lack of oversight of charter schools. Test scores show charter schools are academically inferior. I am not paying for vouchers for more charter schools. I do not want my taxes raised in order to pay for vouchers or more charter schools.

Ivan Mich
Plymouth resident

Protect our forests

Senators Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.) and John Warner (R-Va.) recently introduced the National Forest Roadless Area Conservation Act. This bi-partisan legislation would codify the immensely popular roadless rule to protect 58.5 million acres of our last wild forests. I commend U.S. Rep. Lynn Rivers (D-Ann Arbor) for co-sponsoring this bill and representing the public interest.

The National Forest Roadless Area Conservation Act was introduced June 5 in the Senate and I hope that Michigan Senators Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin will also sign on as co-sponsors.

Although the Bush administration promised to uphold the rule more than a year ago, they have failed to keep that promise. Instead, they have issued one harmful policy directive after another that would include opening pristine areas to the possibility of logging and road-building. Our national forests are national treasures that deserve national protection rather than the destructive alternatives promoted by the timber industry and the Bush administration in recent months.

I urge the president to follow Congress lead in respecting the wishes of the more than 2.2 million Americans who have commented in support of protecting our wild forests.

Brooke Jordan
Canton

Summer bite ideas

I have read, "If you're bothered by mosquitoes in the summer, vitamin B1 supplement taken orally is an effective insect repellent." Vitamin B1 is thiamine that is in enriched breads, whole grains, cereals and potatoes. I do consume a lot of whole grain breads and cereals and occasionally a multi-vitamin tablet. During the past two years, I have rarely had a mosquito bite and rarely heard the sound of a mosquito. This could be due to the vitamin B1 working and due to the mosquito population being down because of the dry weather that has occurred.

Probably some of us are still going to experience being bit by mosquitoes, and when the bite begins to heal is when we experience the itching. One way to stop the itching is by

applying Old Spice after-shave lotion to the itchy mosquito bite. You just pull out the plastic stopper, put your finger over the hole and invert the bottle and turn it upright again. On your finger (that you were blocking the hole with) will be a small amount of Old Spice after-shave lotion. Touch that finger to the itchy mosquito bite to apply the after-shave lotion to it. And the itching will stop.

The Old Spice after-shave lotion has another use. So the portion that you don't use on your mosquito bites this summer, you will not have to put away and then dig up next summer for use in order to get your money's worth. Been there, done that.

William Ferkovich
Livonia

Go Green

I am writing in response to the Sunday Aug. 4, issue where the endorsement of Thaddeus McCotter was made.

There is another candidate running for the 11th District U.S. House of Representatives seat who should have been endorsed but was not even mentioned. He is William Boyd of the Green Party. The official nomination of William Boyd was made by the Green Party at the State Convention held on Aug. 3.

Boyd is a resident of Canton, and teaches civics and economics at Salem High School. If elected, Boyd promises to save and improve public education, attack corporate greed, streamline veterans' benefits, and defend the environment.

McCotter is a "politics as usual" Republican. He has been known in the state Senate to not stand up for what he believes but to vote only along party lines.

Last year, Gov. John Engler picked a commission that recommended a 40 percent raise for our state legislators. The House voted and rejected the raise while the Senate prepared to vote. The bill went to a committee chaired by McCotter and while in committee he pigeonholed the bill, which denied the senators the right to vote and automatically gave legislators the raise.

If elected, there is no doubt McCotter will be a Republican puppet in the House of Representatives and will not stand up for what is in the best interest of our district.

Katie Smith
Canton

Efforts not in vain

As a World War II veteran, I am always aware of the sense of duty to serve and the sacrifice for the common good that many teenaged women and men performed at that time. They did this service in order to protect and preserve the liberty and freedoms of our great nation. We were a generation hardened by the trials and tribulations of the Great Depression who knew from experience that unity of purpose of our combined efforts would mean with God's help we could prevail in the worldwide conflict confronting us.

Sadly in the past few years the malaise, drift and lack of direction of our elected leadership has made one wonder if the fruits of the hard won victory of World War II were being squandered and lost. The recent examples of corporate greed along with employee and shareholder exploitation seemed to reinforce the belief that our country had lost its way and sense of direction.

When the national catastrophe of 9/11 occurred the United States and its people were again put to the test of determination and will. I was happy to see that what emerged from that national emergency was the example of our New York City Firemen

and Policemen showing the same purpose and resolve that the American population displayed during World War II. Again we were shown in times of national crisis, people will rise to fulfill the need and obligation to serve their fellow man. We saw it further in those deeds of the heroic individuals who worked in a combined effort to crash the Airliner in Pennsylvania. Most recently the all out effort of many individuals to work together in saving the nine miners trapped in a flooded mine shaft in Somerset, Pa., showed how diverse people can rise to meet the occasion.

What this tells the men and women veterans who served in World War II, the Korean War, Vietnam War and the Gulf War is that our efforts were not in vain. Within this country there still remains that reservoir of sense of duty, patriotism and devotion to our fellow man that was our guiding light in past conflicts. This, is why I say today, God Bless America and our great nation.

Hiary McLeod
Livonia

Pay up, MDOT

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) plans to spend \$72 million on a freeway exit for I-375 in downtown Detroit. Michigan taxpayers want MDOT to support our existing mass transit systems such as SMART that provide reliable bus service to downtown Detroit and not a \$72 million freeway interchange, needed for new casino parking lots. Both transit officials and MDOT know I-375 is a waste and a drain on precious mass transit tax dollars.

Connecting the city and suburbs in a downtown Detroit bus terminal is the best, most cost effective solution of supporting mass transit in metro Detroit. The streetcars in the early 1900s provided good public transportation.

Technology has changed dramatically since the streetcars and it's now possible to make buses do everything the street cars did and more. Imagine SMART buses taking thousands of people to the Red Wings or Tiger games. Southeast Michigan's transit supportive taxpayers want 24-hour bus service to downtown and the airport.

The public needs to vote on I-375 and choose new casino parking lots or better bus service. The \$72 million I-375 is a gamble southeast Michigan cannot afford.

It's time for MDOT to restore proper funding to SMART before Aug. 6. The supporters of SMART and Proposal S deserve nothing less than this.

Harold Leese
Livonia

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Unidentified woman at city commission meeting

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Research Council making life better in Michigan

With the dust still settling on Tuesday's primary election results, now is a good time to take a look at one of the largely unknown factors that drove much of the political discussion in Michigan over the past year.

It's called the Citizens Research Council. It's very small — offices in Livonia and Lansing and only eight highly qualified staff members. But it's very highly respected in Michigan and nationally.

And over the years, CRC has influenced the evolution of public policy in Michigan far out of proportion to its size. For example, if there was any real substance in the debates between candidates in the gubernatorial primary election, it had to do with Michigan's budget crisis. Guess what provoked the whole discussion?

In June, 2001, CRC issued a report — Michigan's Precarious Budget Situation — that concluded that the budget crisis was real and that there is a "structural deficit" approaching \$1 billion in the state's budget that will last for years unless something dramatic is done.

Before the CRC study was released, if you listened hard you could hear soft mutterings from Lansing that the state was facing budget trouble.

But there was nothing specific, and certainly nothing suggesting that the budget crisis was as severe or as long lasting as it now seems. By itself, publication of the CRC study provoked news stories and editorials from newspapers all over Michigan.

And once the press got onto the story, it wasn't long before politicians were getting asked all kinds of difficult questions. And the Michigan budget crisis is now receiving the attention it deserves.

That's a perfect example of the CRC's mission. "In a world filled with all kinds of special interest groups, it can be difficult to sort out the facts required for sound decision making in government. The Citizens Research Council was founded in 1916 to answer a need — the need for independent, nonpartisan public policy research. Other organizations conduct public policy research but often have political agendas or clients that may compromise their objectivity or independence. The Citizens Research Council stands alone — always impartial and independent."

And the record of achievement is impressive. Work done by the CRC paved the way for

charter government for Wayne County in 1981, for improving school financing, for legislation providing for revenue sharing between state and local governments, for updated highway administration and finance, for funding community health organizations.

In fact, there are few big topics in Michigan public policy that have not been addressed in the Council's publications, CRC Reports, CRC Memoranda and CRC Notes.

Of course, trying to provide research that makes complex material accessible to the general public yet meets the most stringent academic standards is not easy.

As CRC President Earl Ryan told me, "We know a lot of stuff, but often policy makers don't know or don't care or prefer not to pay much attention to our research."

But CRC remains firm in its belief that some information is better than none. As legendary University of Michigan Business Professor Paul McCracken says, "CRC is the only organization in Michigan with the competency, tenacity and credibility to get the job right."

The Council has undergone considerable evolution since its foundation in 1916, when the Progressive movement introduced the then-revolutionary idea that public policy formation should be based on facts and empirical, independent research.

In the 1950s, according to Ryan, CRC was "determinedly boring, its publications and research nearly indigestible."

But the organization moved out of downtown Detroit to a bright, modern office overlooking I-275 in Livonia and spiffed up the writing and design of its publications.

With an annual budget of around \$700,000, the Council is supported mainly by contributions from the business community around the state.

In order to further safeguard its independence, CRC is now trying to raise \$10 million as an endowment. And it's just put up a web site — <http://www.crcmich.org> — that is now getting something like 60,000 hits a month.

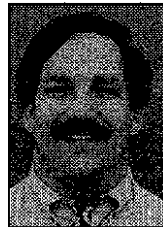
The point here is that the Citizens Research Council is hardly the subject of daily conversation in Michigan.

But it is one of those quiet organizations that are uniquely valuable and filled with integrity that make life so much better for all of us.

Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2206 or at ppower@homecomm.net.



Phil Power



Brad Kadrich

Festival deserves an extra hour, but beer tent should stay put

I don't mean to quarrel with the city commission about their decision not to allow the Fall Festival committee to keep carnival rides open an hour later during two nights of the annual festival, set for Sept 6-8 in downtown Plymouth.

But I think they got it wrong again Monday night. Committee members reappeared before the commission at Monday's meeting, asking them to reconsider their earlier decision. The committee wants to keep the rides open until 11 p.m., one hour later than is allowed by city ordinance, to take advantage of one of the festival's most popular attractions.

The committee, led by chairman Mark Baldwin, argued (reasonably, I think) that youngsters attending home football games that weekend are being deprived of an opportunity to also support their local community. An extra hour, Baldwin argues, would allow the kids a chance to still take part in the festival, and would bring in much-needed cash that would allow the festival to become a thriving, self-sufficient concern.

Once again, commissioners turned a slightly deaf ear, listening respectfully to Baldwin's arguments before zapping him with the "no" buzzer. They're concerned about the tranquility and peace being shattered for downtown residents who live in or near the noisy zone created by the rides. I think that's a fairly valid argument, except that I don't think it would matter to people to have an extra hour of noise two nights a year.

The other argument — if they do it for Fall Festival they have to do it for everyone — simply doesn't hold water. There are few other events that scream "Plymouth!" the way Fall Festival does. The international ice spectacular comes closest, but are commissioners really worried someone will want to stay out until 11 p.m. in the dead of winter?

The vote was interesting, going 4-3 against allowing the extra time. Mayor Bill Graham and commissioners Stella Greene and Ron Loisel were in favor of granting the additional hour, prompting one observer to note wryly, "The 'old fogies' (on the commission) are in favor of letting them stay later, and the young kids are the ones against it."

Here's where I DO agree with the commissioners: the beer tent issue.

One of the featured attractions of the festival is going to be the appearance of Grinder, the band fronted by popular Detroit Red Wing Darren McCarty. Grinder will play on the stage near Atomic Printing, located at Main and Wing.

The festival committee wants to put the 3-year-old beer tent on the property at Saxton's, at Ann Arbor Trail and Harding, the first night, then move it to Atomic Printing to take advantage of Grinder's performance the second night. They would then move the tent back to Saxton's Sunday.

At Monday's meeting, Graham strongly urged the committee to set the beer tent up at Saxton's — and leave it there.

"I'll be damned disappointed if I see a beer tent on Wing Street," said Graham, who said the mere thought of it "put me back in the position to want no beer tent at all."

He's right. The beer tent needs to stay put. You could argue that having it across the street from most of the festivities isn't the best place, but that's a decision for the Fall Festival committee to make. According to city manager Paul Sincock, the committee needs to have police Chief Wayne Carroll sign off on the permit, including the location(s).

What is the likelihood that Carroll would sign off on a request that goes against the mayor's wishes? Sincock chuckled. "You have to remember who we work for," he said with a slight laugh.

Moving the tent around doesn't seem to be a good idea, logistically or realistically. Devout beer drinkers will no doubt find it wherever the committee puts it. Moving it up the street to accommodate hockey/concert fans listening to Grinder seems ill-advised.

I'm certainly no politician, but you'd think after years of covering them, I'd understand them a little better. I simply don't get these complaints about who's giving money to whom.

Politician A complains that his opponent, Politician B, is being supported by a certain kind of money contributed by someone's political action committee. Yet, when Politician A's own finances are scrutinized, you see all kinds of PAC money there, too.

Now, you can certainly make the case that the type of PAC supporting a candidate tells you where that candidate stands on the PAC's agenda. For instance, the fact that the Grand Rapids-based Great Lakes Education Project was supporting Jonathon Grant shouldn't surprise anyone, since Grant is avidly in favor of Proposal A and lifting the cap on charter schools.

John Stewart, on the other hand, is a lawyer who has brought 21 small-business grants into his constituency, and therefore is supported by the Small Business Association and the Michigan Lawyers PAC. Again, no surprise.

But why is taking one kind of PAC money any different than taking another kind? If you want to define a candidate's position by the money he takes, that's fine.

But candidates' characters shouldn't be defined that way.

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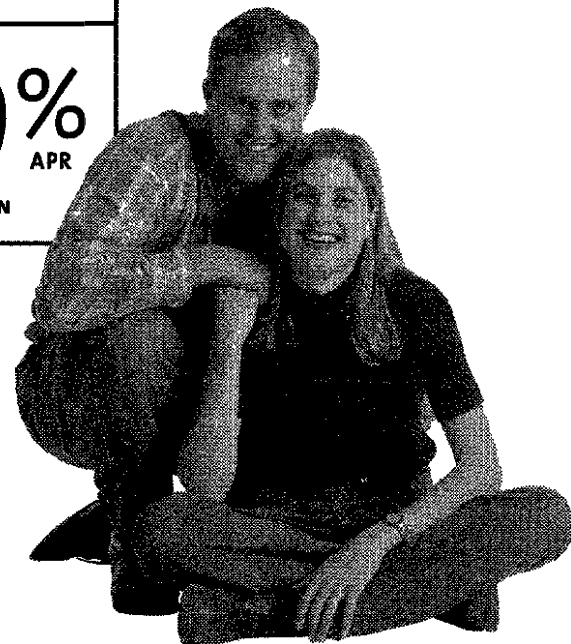
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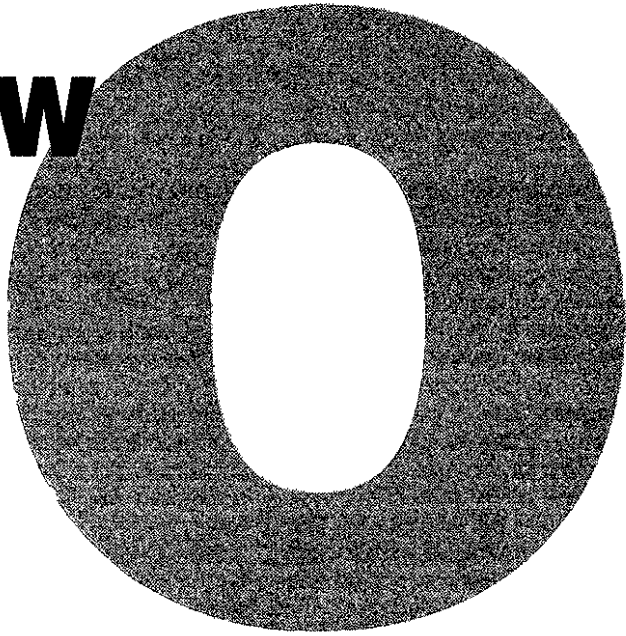
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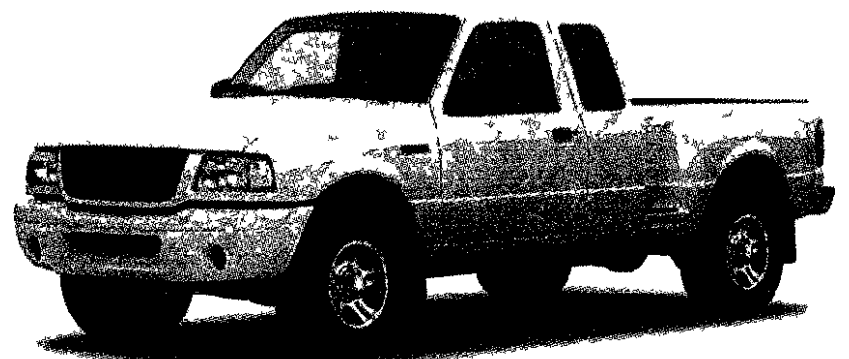
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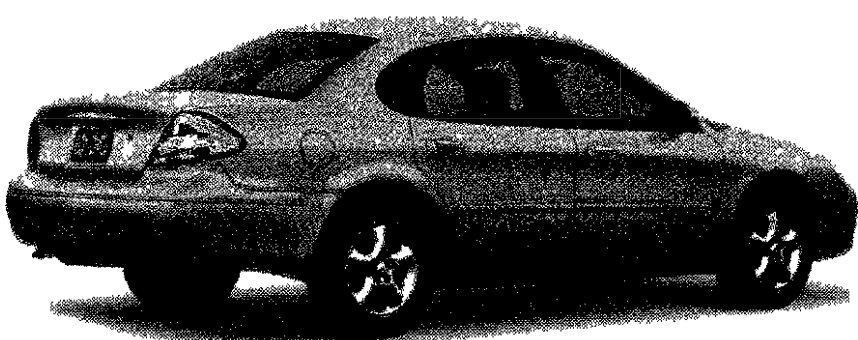
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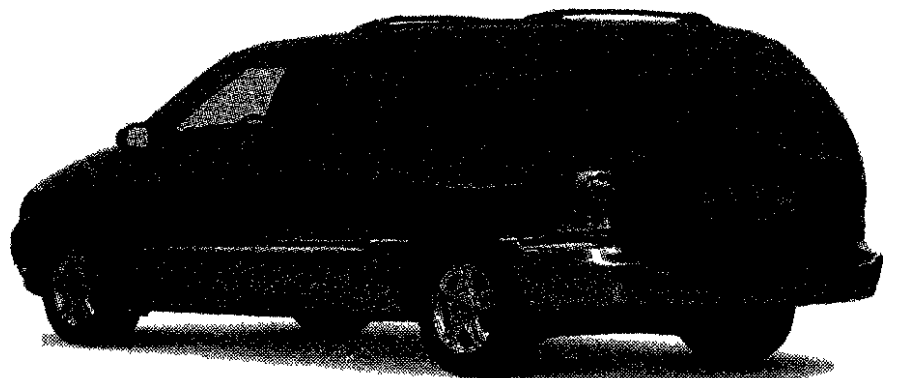
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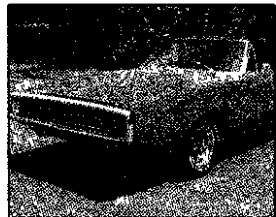
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More than 300 classic cars will be on the auction block from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Saturday Aug 10 and 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sunday Aug 11. A preview will be held from 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. Friday Aug 9.

Weekend passes are \$10 available at the door. The Novi Expo Center is located at 43700 Expo Center Dr. Take I-96 to exit 162, go south on Novi Road to Expo Center Drive.

For more information call RM Classic Cars at (734) 547-2400.

Hey Mon

The Caribbean International Festival kicks off Friday Aug 9 and runs through Sunday Aug 11 at Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit.

A parade with music, costumes, floats and Miss Jamaica starts at 11 a.m. Saturday Aug 10 at Mack and Woodward.

It proceeds to Hart Plaza on Jefferson. Festival hours are noon to 11:30 p.m. each day.

Taste authentic Caribbean foods and see entertainment - including the Jankonoo dancers from the Bahamas - browse the ethnic gallery and get involved in family activities.

For more information call the Caribbean Cultural & Carnival Organization at (313) 255-2226.

DFT movie

Catch *Code Unknown*, a French film directed by Michael Haneke at 7:30 p.m. Friday Aug 12 at the Detroit Institute of Arts Detroit Film Theatre.

The 2000 film tells the story of an actress played by Juliette Binoche who is on the brink of success. She finds her self at the

center of a startling incident which links the lives of five different people and forces viewers to re-examine their own preconceived notions of the rules of urban life.

Haneke directed *The Piano Teacher*. Tickets are \$6 and available at the theater box office which opens an hour before the show.

Senior citizens and students with ID cards pay \$5. Tickets reserved by phone at (313) 833-3237 are held at the box office until 10 minutes before the show.



Cool time for kids

Children can have a blast at Woodward Dream Cruise

BY SHARON DARGAY
STAFF WRITER

The annual Woodward Dream Cruise is as much about kids and families this year as it is cruising in cars.

From its south end in Ferndale, where organizers say the children's events "get bigger" every year, to its north end in Pontiac, with its four-day carnival, children and teens won't have to look far for fun.

"I think Saturday is the day families want to be with their children and why not open it to the entire family?" said Diane Martin, executive co-director of Revvin' with Ford and Kids Revvin' with Ford in Birmingham. "Why segregate adults from children?"

Revvin' not only entertains families, but raises money for children's charities through a \$175 per person preview party on Dream Cruise eve. A pancake breakfast on Dream Cruise morning

also benefits Children's Charities Coalition which consists of four nonprofit organizations: The Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Oakland County, The Community House Children's Programs, Orchards Children's Services and Variety - The Children's Charity.

Three years ago we would kick off Revvin' by having the children who benefit from the money raised come to Ford Production Development Center. They'd have games and clowns, music and all kinds of fun activities," Martin said. "This year, for the first time, we're bringing the kids to the Dream Cruise. The children will be at the pancake breakfast and after that, they can go into the community house for games and prizes."

Throughout the day we've targeted family with clowns and (child ID) fingerprinting and face painting, all kinds of games music and

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DREAM CRUISE CHILDREN'S HIGHLIGHTS

- Birmingham - Saturday Aug 17
Pancake breakfast from 8-10 a.m.
Clowns, street performers, children's entertainment including an appearance by Blue of *Blue's Clues* 8 a.m.-11 a.m., with Blue appearance from 9 a.m.-noon (Casey Lee Van above got his chance to pose with Blue last year)
Face painting, 11 a.m.
- Berkley
Inflatable fun 7-9 p.m. Friday Aug 16
Games, inflatables day-long on Saturday Aug 17
- Ferndale - Saturday Aug 17
Kids Korner with rides, games, entertainment 10 a.m.-9 p.m.
- Huntington Woods - Saturday Aug 17
Inflatables, fire engines, race cars, games, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Pleasant Ridge - Saturday, Aug 17
Games, activities, all day
- Pontiac
Carnival 4-11 p.m. Thursday 10 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday 8 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday
- Royal Oak
Petting farm, inflatables, children's fun, all day in Memorial Park at 13 Mile and Woodward

Detroit Film Theatre opens up 'whole' new world



JUSTINE SHAPIRO

Moishe and two of his friends talk about their lives in *Promises*, a documentary about seven Israeli and Arab children. The film will be shown Monday, Aug 26, at the Detroit Film Theatre in the Detroit Institute of Arts.

Now more than ever Elliot Wilhelm believes film can teach us to live with one another in peace. As curator of the Detroit Film Theatre, he has the opportunity to show foreign films focusing on the customs and values of cultures of which we have little understanding. In turn, that allows us to reflect on the human condition and how struggles in a distant land pertain right here at home.

For the fall season he's selected a stellar lineup of contemporary and classic love stories, mysteries, a documentary about Arab and Israeli children, and a series of movies by Japanese director Akira Kurosawa from the 1940s, 50s and 60s that range from *Throne of Blood*, an adaptation of *Macbeth* to *Seven Samurai*, a 16th century story about a village of farmers raided annually by



Column Fronts

Linda Chomin

bandits. A complete schedule is available by visiting the Web site at www.dia.org/dft.

That's one of the things movies can give us that we can see the world through the eyes of other people," said Wilhelm. "After last September, there are a lot of people questioning how other people see things. It's the honesty of voices that speak in *Promises*, a documentary about seven Israeli and Arab children. These young people talk about things in their lives on a human level. It's a great story, a great tragedy. A great film is about the human experience and emotions. Humanity is humanity,

regardless of customs and culture, the things we have in common. It's the universal language."

Wilhelm is always looking for great films to show at the series that originally opened in January of 1974 at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Count on movies to excite, educate and entertain right from the start with *Read My Lips*, a French thriller made in 2002 (Friday-Sunday, Aug 9-11). One of his personal favorites is *I'm Going Home*, the inspiring story of an aging French stage actor whose wife, daughter and son-in-law are killed in a automobile accident (Nov 22-24). But there's laughter too in the series - and love *The Producers*, starring Gene Wilder and Zero Mostel is one of the greatest comedies ever filmed (Sept 13-15), the 1947 French film *Beauty and the Beast* (Friday-Sunday, Dec 13-15)

one of the most romantic "Escapism isn't a nasty word," as far as Wilhelm's concerned. In fact it's one of the things he'll be looking for in the next few months while attending film festivals in Colorado, New York and Toronto where they screen 300 movies in two weeks.

Films run from 8:30 a.m. until midnight. For every movie on the Detroit Film Theatre schedule Wilhelm must sit through 8 to 10 others that don't make it. Through them all, he looks for an independent visionary.

"You can't base it on genre. I want to be transported to another world. That's what makes a good movie. I'm not jaded. I believe it's still possible to make good films. I expect them to deliver. I like to be surprised and for them to assume that I'm intelligent."

"Contemporary films like

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A cruiser passes out souvenirs to the crowd during the 2001 Woodward Dream Cruise

CRUISE

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prizes," Martin said "It will be a great day for families with food, games, fun and activities for all"

Kids Revvin and Ford Revvin sprawls from the Birmingham Community House to Sham Park, through a parking lot, to The Townsend Hotel ballroom — all a few blocks west of the actual car cruise on Woodward

Organizers in Ferndale move its children's entertainment off Woodward, too

Youngsters can ride ponies, bumper boats, jump inside an inflatable structure and play midway games behind the city's library on Nine Mile a block east of the Woodward action

FUN IN FERDALE

Ferndale combines carnival fun with old-fashioned games, such as hula hoop and pie-eating contests A fenced toddler town gives preschoolers a chance to play in a sandbox and with toys, away from older children

"The kids area is always

packed," noted a parks and recreation department spokeswoman

Jugglers, singers, magicians and karaoke will keep families busy when they aren't browsing the police car show and Mustang Alley along Nine Mile or watching the cruise

"I've been involved with Dream Cruise for five years and I think the reason why people attend is to look at cars," said Ken Miller, executive director of the Ferndale Car Show "But when they come to Ferndale, they find we're a family entertainment center — all the way from main stage acts to look alike contests"

Cruise organizers in Pontiac combined its annual "kid-dieland" with other activities, creating one big carnival that runs from Thursday, Aug 15 to Sunday, Aug 18

Face painting, clowns, balloons, contests, carnival rides, midway games, karaoke and entertainment fill downtown Pontiac's four-day cruise schedule

"We have a positive group that sings to teens called QTMC And an outdoor movie in parking lot #9 at dusk," said Dernda Shaw, an assistant to the Rev Douglas Jones of

Greater Pontiac Community Coalition, event organizer

"The Woodward Dream Cruise in Pontiac is family oriented and geared to no drugs and non-violence We try to make it a family atmosphere"

Dream cruise viewers will begin setting up chairs and picnic blankets along Woodward, from Ferndale to Pontiac, at the crack of dawn on Saturday, Aug 17 Some families prefer to spend the day watching cars cruise by, rather than participating in organized activities How to keep the kids happy?

■ Bring snacks and a picnic lunch

■ Don't forget games, toys, coloring books An inexpensive camera might encourage youngsters to record their own memories of the event

■ Keep umbrellas or other shelter on hand to protect tender skin from the sun Slather on lots of sunscreen

■ Bring a wagon or stroller for negotiating sidewalks along Woodward

■ Move around Take a stroll away from the crowds, along a neighboring street, when the kids get antsy

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CHOMIN

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Pearl Harbor have kind of a passionless quality about the film as if it were a group decision to make it I want them to tell a story and tell it well so that I find I'm turning myself over to the screen for a couple of hours"

That's exactly what audiences will do this season at Detroit Film Theatre

"I'm excited about Akira Kurosawa," said Wilhelm "He's consistently the most popular and critically acclaimed film maker who ever lived and his movies have been unavailable in 35mm for years This retrospective opened last Wednesday in New York The next stop is the DIA beginning Labor Day weekend As a personal fan, it provides me with an excitement because Kurosawa begins with a good script He knows how to tell a good story"

In October (25-27), Alloy Orchestra makes its sixth appearance at the DIA They know how to make these things live again with their new music for silent films They're exposing younger audiences to silent films as they were meant to be seen The DIA theater went up in 1927, the year the first talkie was released (Al Jolson in *The Jazz Singer*) and the music varied from theater to theater from silent movies which had a specific orchestral score to smaller cities where the films were accompanied by an organist or pianist Alloy tries to recreate the experience by doing live orchestral scores They're only three guys but can sound like a symphony orchestra with synthesizers For contemporary audiences they bridge the gap between the two eras and make movies more accessible You get a response from the audience you never could"

Besides this season's lineup, Elliot is just happy to be celebrating 28 years of offering films at Detroit Film Theatre Even though the DIAs been showing films since 1927, Elliot originally came to the museum in 1973 to organize a series of

DETROIT FILM THEATRE

What: Opens its fall season Friday Aug 9 and continues to Monday Dec 16 Films are recommended for adults Children under age 5 not admitted

Where: In the theater at the Detroit Institute of Arts, 5200 Woodward Ave

Tickets: \$6 \$5 for seniors full-time students with valid ID, and DIA members Discount coupons available in books of 5 for \$25 Call (313) 833-3237 For a complete schedule visit the Web site at www.dia.org/dft

films after the museum received a \$10,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts which was concerned about all of the art theaters closing Multiplexes were opening and the foreign language film market was drying up

"I kept my \$4 an hour radio announcing options open That's what I was doing before I took the job," said Wilhelm "The series paid for itself and I decided to stay another year Now it's 2002 There's so much good film out there"

"I consider all of the films shown during the season to be like children The trend over

the last several years is to encounter more classics you can watch at home now on video As a result distributors of everything from *Casablanca* to silent movies were not making them available There's a turn around with DVD There's a hunger to see older films

And there's nothing like watching them on the big, silver screen

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Beauty (Josette Day) and The Beast (Jean Marais) survey his magic castle in the 1947 French film

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Street Scene

Stephanie Casola

From Detroit's Chene Park to Pontiac's Clutch Cargo, that stripped-down sound will draw quite an audience. Though the pairing seems like common sense, I was curious to know how it came about. So Strokes drummer Fabrizio Moretti filled me in.

"They saw us play a long time ago in Brighton, England," said Moretti. "And we sort of befriended each other."

The Strokes returned the favor last spring when The White Stripes performed a short residency - four nights - at New York's Bowery Ballroom.

"We went to see them a bunch of times," Moretti said. "We were talking about how we should play some shows together." From our perspective, they're a really good band.

So they devised a plan - two shows here in The White Stripes hometown and two New York City shows, all before heading to Britain for festival stages. The bands will switch off headlining slots.

The Strokes didn't set out to conquer the rock world as we know it. They didn't even have a plan of attack. According to Moretti, "it wasn't like anything set. We'd just been friends for a long time. We learned our instruments together, ever

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since we were young. We wrote a lot of stuff we threw away."

Singer Julian Casablancas, guitarists Nick Valensi and Albert Hammond Jr., bassist Nikolai Fraiture and drummer Fab Moretti have since graced the cover of countless music magazines. Now that garage rock has emerged as the official next-big-thing in music - with punk-influenced bands like The Hives, Mooney Suzuki, The Von Bondies earning international attention - Moretti contemplates the fate of The Strokes.

As far as he can see, the band came out at a rather stale time in pop music.

His best analogy goes something like this: "You're in this ocean of weird music and you get certain things floating around - you just categorize them together because they're not dissolving in the water."

In essence, it's what any musician strives for - to find something new, something that stands out in a virtual sea of popular music - and make it your own.

Fans grasped tightly to *Last Nite*, the first single from The Strokes' RCA debut *Is This It*. That mix of straight, fast rhythm and catchy melody that seemed a throwback to the very core of rock n' roll was ushered onto radio by listeners who grew too weary of bands like Creed and its angry clones.

Moretti was as surprised as anyone to hear The Strokes on the air. "We were all tired and ready to go home and *Last Nite*

came on the radio," he recalled, with what sounds like an audible smile. "It still is strange - when you're watching MTV and you see yourself on television."

The band hasn't started working on a new record just yet - what with the non-stop touring, constant interviews and mega-stardom.

"We've gone to work in the studio on new songs," said Moretti. "It's not so easy to get all five boys in the same room these days. When we do get in the studio, it's just like old times."

It's not like they've become jaded or anything like that. When we first started we were like, "Oh God, I hope people give a s*** about this." Now people have sort of picked up the album and liked it. It would be bad if we started being concerned about our place. We don't let that get to our heads. We're still just as we've always been. We just hope it doesn't become stale.

The White Stripes and The Strokes perform 7 p.m. Thursday Aug. 8 at Clutch Cargo, 65 E. Huron in Pontiac. Call (248) 333-2362 for the latest ticket information. Lucky ticket holders can see The White Stripes and The Strokes 7:30 p.m. Friday Aug. 9 at Chene Park, 2600 Atwater Street, downtown Detroit. The show is sold out.

Stephanie Angelyn Casola writes a popular music column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. She can be reached at scasola@ehomecomm.net.



The Strokes - Julian Casablancas (left to right), Nikolai Fraiture, Albert Hammond Jr., Fab Moretti (sitting) and Nick Valensi - make a triumphant return to the Detroit area tonight, supporting The White Stripes.

See Classic Robert Evans movies with Woodward Film Society

The Woodward Film Society is sponsoring the Robert Evans Classic Film Festival this month at the Uptown Birmingham 8 film theater.

The festival honors Evans for his latest film, *The Kid Stays in the Picture*, which traces the meteoric rise, fall and raise again of the legendary Hollywood producer.

As chief of Paramount Pictures, Evans was responsible for bringing some of the greatest films of the era to the screen, including these movies showing at the Uptown Birmingham 8:

- Harold & Maude, Friday, Aug. 9-Thursday, Aug. 15
- Rosemary's Baby, Friday-Sunday, Aug. 16-18
- The Godfather, Friday-Thursday, Aug. 23-29

The Kid Stays in the Picture, which was adapted from Evans' tell-all autobiography, also will be shown on Aug. 23.

Film festival movies generally run at midnight. Admission is \$8.50.

Call the theater at (248) 644-FILM or visit www.uptownbirmingham8.com for updates on viewing times.

The Woodward Film Society is an organization dedicated to the appreciation and celebration of the art of film.

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Christopher Titus brings his stand-up comedy to town 8 p m and 10 30 p m Friday-Saturday, Aug 9-10, at the Comedy Castle, 269 East Fourth, Royal Oak Tickets are \$20 For more information, call (248) 542-9900 Titus is best known as the star, executive producer and co-creator of Fox Television's sitcom *Titus*

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CLASSICAL

Detroit Symphony Orchestra
Meadow Brook Music Festival continues to Aug 11 Guest artist on the Tchaikovsky Spectacular program is violinist Philip Quint 8 p m Friday Saturday Aug 9 10 Vocalist Sandi Patty joins the orchestra 7 30 p m Sunday Aug 11 Advance sale tickets \$14 \$56 at the door \$16 \$59 call (313) 576 5111 or purchase online at www.detroitssymphony.com Discounts available for groups of 20 or more by calling (313) 576 5130

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Gazebo Concerts
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AUDITIONS/OPPORTUNITIES

Farmington Community Chorus
New member auditions for the 85 voice mixed chorus 7 30 p m Tuesday Sept 3 and 10 at the William Costick Activities Center on 11 Mile east of Middlebelt Farmington Hills The chorus rehearses Tuesday evenings September to December to prepare for their annual holiday concerts Dec 20 21 at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills For audition information call Kathy Hall at (248) 471 4516

Franklin Village Band
Adult musicians from southeastern Michigan are invited to join the Franklin Village Band All instruments welcome but there is a special need for flutes and clarinets The band rehearses Monday evenings in the Franklin Community Church social hall on Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile roads For more details call Bill Prisk (248) 474 8869 or Bob Zimmerman (313) 535 4119

Livonia Youth Choir
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Straight Ahead plays jazz 7 30 p m Thursday Aug 15, in Livonia Civic Center Park, Five Mile and Farmington Road In case of rain, the concert will take place in the Civic Center Senior Center in the same complex For more information about the concert one of eight in the Music Under the Stars Series co-sponsored by the Livonia Arts Commission and Livonia Parks and Recreation, call (734) 466-2540 Straight Ahead, an all female group has performed in jazz festivals from New Orleans to Switzerland

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY,
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BLOOD WORK

Retired FBI director Terry McCaleb who has recently had a heart transplant is hired by Graciela Rivers to investigate the death of her sister Glona who happens to have given McCaleb his heart. On the case he soon deduces that the killer who staged the murder to look like a random robbery may actually be a serial killer Terry was trailing for years in the FBI. Stars Clint Eastwood, Jeff Daniels, Wanda De Jesus, Anjelica Huston, Tina Lifford, Paul Rodriguez, Dylan Walsh. Directed by Clint Eastwood (Warner Bros.)

JACKASS: THE MOVIE

Based upon the popular and controversial "reality TV" and/or "daredevil stunt show" series that ran for two seasons (2000-2001) on MTV. Stars Johnny Knoxville, Ryan Dunn, Bam Margera, Steve O. Directed by Jeff Tremaine (Paramount.) Rated R

XXX

Vin Diesel stars as an extreme sports athlete called Triple X hired by a government agency who turns him into a secret agent or a covert mission. He must use his extreme skills to destroy a dangerous terrorist cell. Featured players include Samuel L. Jackson as a government agent, rapper Eve as the athlete's business partner, and Marton Csokas as the leader of the terrorist organization. Rob Cohen directs the action, making his first since completing *The Fast and the Furious* in 2001. (Columbia Pictures/Revolution Studios.) Rated PG-13

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY,
AUG. 16

BLUE CRUSH

This is the story of two young women working as hotel maids in a remote Maui community have nothing else to do with their time so they surf and become very good at it eventually entering a traditionally all male surf competition. Stars Michelle Rodriguez, Kate Bosworth, Mika Boorem, Matthew Davis, Sanoe Lake, Faizon Love. Directed by John Stockwell. (Universal Pictures.) Rating TBD

THE ADVENTURES OF PLUTO NASH

Pluto Nash, the owner of a nightclub on the Moon in 2087, finds himself in hot water when he refuses to sell his club to the local mob. Stars Eddie Murphy, Randy Quaid, Rosario Dawson, Peter Boyle, Ileana Douglas, Pam Grier, Jay Mohr, Joe Pantoliano, James Rebhorn, Victor Yarnado. Directed by Ron Underwood. (Warner Bros.)

THE GOOD GIRL

The story centers on Justine (Jennifer Aniston) who longs to have a child with her husband Phil (John C. Reilly) but has so far been unable to conceive. She wonders if all the pot he smokes with his best friend Bubba (Tim Blake Nelson) might be the reason why. Justine finds a soul mate in Holden (Jake Gyllenhaal), a passionate man who represents a chance for her to escape into a new world of emotional and sexual awakening. But when the affair moves from liberation to poisonous obsession, Justine finds herself ensnared in a chaotic web of blackmail, larceny and love. Miguel Arteta (*STAR MAPS*) directs the comedy, marking his first since completing *CHUCK AND BUCK* in 2000. (Fox Searchlight.) Rated R

THE KID SAYS IN THE PICTURE

Traces the meteoric rise, fall, and rise again of legendary Hollywood producer Robert Evans. As chief of production at Paramount Pictures, Evans was responsible for bringing some of the greatest films of the era to the screen, including *The Godfather*, *Rosemary's Baby*, *Love Story*, *The Odd Couple*, *The Conformist*, *Harold and Maude*, and *Chinatown*. Adapted from Mr. Evans' tell-all autobiography, the movie takes the audience on an intimate journey into the mind of this Hollywood legend. (FOCUS Features.) Rated R

POSSESSION

Maud Bailey (Gwyneth Paltrow), a brilliant English academic given to doing things by the book, is researching the life and work of poet Christabel LeMotte (Jennifer Ehle). Roland Mitchell (Aaron Eckhart) is an upstart American scholar in London on a fellowship to study the great Randolph Henry Ash (Jeremy Northam), now best known for a collection of rapturous late-life poems dedicated to his wife. When Maud and Roland discover a cache of love letters that appear to be from Ash to LeMotte, they follow a trail of clues across England to the Continent, echoing the journey of the impassioned couple a century earlier. (USA Films.) Rated PG-13

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY,
AUG. 23

SERVING SARA

This is the story of a process server who is convinced by a New York wife, Sara (Hurley), to serve her husband in Texas with divorce papers. So the two embark on a road trip. Stars Elizabeth Hurley, Matthew Perry, Bruce Campbell, Cedric the Entertainer, Vincent Pastore, Amy Adams. Directed by Reginald Hudlin. (Paramount Pictures.)

THE RISING BY BRUCE
SPRINGSTEEN

Bruce Springsteen doesn't pretend to understand what happened last Sept. 11.

What he does know is that music can sometimes help make sense of the senseless, or at least offer a balm. That's his contribution through *The Rising*, a surprisingly sunny pop disc at its core.

By staying away from populist revenge songs or manipulative weepers, Springsteen sidesteps clichés to make the first essential music about the aftermath of the attacks.

He inhabits relatable characters — the spouse of a rescue worker who climbed the World Trade Center stairs to death, another newly widowed who stares at the "empty impression in the bed where you used to be."

Even songs he wrote before Sept. 11 can be viewed in a new context: the Asbury Park of *My City of Ruins* could be New York, the narrator of *Nothing Man* could be a cop suffering from survivor's guilt.

The stark song *Paradise* speaks in the voices of a suicide bomber and the suicidal lover of a Pentagon victim who longs for the peace of drowning. At the end, the person chooses life.

And so does Springsteen. His tonics are the old-fashioned values: faith, hope and love. *The Rising* centers on personal connections lost and sought among the survivors, it's no coincidence that the word "kiss" appears in eight of this disc's 15 songs.

It's Springsteen's first full album with his E Street Band in 18 years, easily the most aggressively accessible since *Born in the USA*. He wants this music heard, talked about, danced to. He wants to uplift.

Waitin' on a Sunny Day, *Countin' on a Miracle* and *Let's Be Friends (Skin to Skin)* are bouncy pop songs on the order of *Hungry Heart*. The new *Mary's Place* is a raver about chasing the blues away with a party.

Both the title cut and *My City of Ruins* offer gospel-like redemption, their placement at the disc's end meant to leave a distinct impression.

AUDIO REVIEWS

The E Street Band sounds tougher, though less nuanced. New producer Brendan O'Brien brings new ideas: Drum loops, cellos and even Pakistani vocalists. The album's chief weakness is its 75-minute length, editing out *Further on (Up the Road)* and *The Fuse* would have made a more succinct statement.

The Rising offers an outward-looking Springsteen infused with a sense of purpose. He seems to realize he has a job to do for his country and the New York area he calls home. He's made an album for needy music fans, not for himself.

— David Bauder, AP Writer

ROSES BY KATHY MATTEA

Kathy Mattea is taking a chance with a new label — and the label's willing to take a chance with her eclectic mix of country, folk and Celtic on *Roses*. Somehow, it works.

Her lyrical voice hits delightfully with story songs such as *That's All the Lumber You Sent* and *Who We Are*, rocks a little with Celtic overtones on *Guns of Love*, and works beautifully on the poignant *Ashes in the Wind*, written by her husband, Jon Veener, about a love lost too soon and a lover taken too early. A subtle undercurrent of spirituality seasons all four.

The largely acoustic album uses an occasional string section with an otherwise economical background that tosses in a concertina, Celtic whistles and a harmonium along with the more traditional fiddle, mandolin, guitar and drums to make things interesting.

Two instrumental tunes — an Irish air and jig — add to the menu of an album that makes Mattea's chance-taking appetizing.

— Tom Gardner, AP Writer

FACES & NAMES BY DAVE
PIRNER

Soul Asylum frontman Dave Pirner has ventured into the realm of solo projects with less-than-stellar results.

Many of the songs on his new CD, *Faces & Names*, have the

right elements — decent hooks, easy rhythms, guitar solos, even the occasional horn. Yet when compiled, the elements just sound formulaic and repetitive.

The album does have a few high points. The melancholy *Teach Me to Breathe* has a solid groove and a catchy chorus. The piano-tinged soothing melody of *Start Treating People Right* couples well with Pirner's husky vocals.

Overall, *Faces & Names* lacks a definitive sound to set it apart from the hordes of roots rock albums that have come before it. Fans of Soul Asylum might appreciate the new material, but those hoping to be blown away by a unique offering from the band's frontman will probably be disappointed.

— Angela Watercutter, AP Writer

X BY DEF LEPPARD

This collection of power ballads from Def Leppard is allegedly all new material, but it seems to have been transmit-

ted directly from somewhere deep in the mid-1980s.

Of course, that's when the British arena-rock group had its greatest success with 1987's *Hysteria*, featuring such air-guitar enthusiast anthems as *Pour Some Sugar on Me* and *Love Bites*.

X, so-named because it's their 10th studio album, is a pale echo of their sexually charged rock 'n' roll past, and its songs could be lesser B-sides to their more popular singles.

The music is standard guitar and drum dirges with lyrics straight out of adolescent angst poetry: "I can't sleep at night/ The darkness enslaves me/ I turn out the light/ And no one can save me begins." *Gravity*, the album's eighth track.

Virtually every song is a hopeless collage of clichés, whining for love or warning about the power of love. X has little to offer that countless glam-rock albums of the past haven't already expressed.

— Anthony Breznican, AP Writer

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A toothy alien, Stitch stars in video game

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There's something to be said for a game where your finger is almost constantly on the trigger

Unfortunately, when you can't see what you're shooting at, some of the air comes hussing out of the balloon

That's the problem with *Stitch Experiment 626*, from High Voltage Software and Sony Interactive for the PlayStation 2

The game is a sort of prequel to *Lilo & Stitch*, the popular Disney animated film now in theaters. In the movie, a multi-armed, shark-toothed creature named *Stitch* lands on Earth and moves in with a family whose tolerance for exotic pets is a lot greater than mine

In the game, however, *Stitch* is fresh from the genetic stew brewed up by an eccentric scientist named *Jumba* (apparently he had eccentric parents, too)

Jumba sends *Stitch* off on a mission to collect DNA for the scientist's unconventional experiments

To do this, *Stitch* must wade through endless cartoon monsters, collecting guns (one for each of his four hands), special weapons like the *Freeze Ray* and the aptly named *Big Gun*, along with DNA and scores of secrets

Stitch is a classic platform game, and he's good at it. Perspective throughout the game is excellent, so you rarely misjudge a jump because it's farther or closer than it looks

That is, of course, when you can see it at all

In common with what seems like every other game on the market, the camera work in *Stitch* is frequently atrocious. First, there's a serious lag between the time our hero turns in a certain direction and when the camera shifts to see what he sees

Second, the camera sometimes just jams up and nothing you do can get *Stitch* to look where you want him to

It's simply inexcusable to take a game designed for children and then drive the little tykes crazy. Don't the developers play these games after they design them?

Making up for the messy camera work are the excellent graphics, and the variety of levels. You'll love the *Grapple Gun*, a sort of tractor beam which lets *Stitch* swing like *Tarzan* as he soars above acid pits or pools of bubbling lava. Or the *Jet Pack*, which powers *Stitch* high above the fray

Graphics get an "A." They are crisp and clean, with dazzling explosions, a great palette of colors and nicely detailed environments

Sound gets a "C." Sound effects are decent, the music is blah. Crank up the effects and turn on your stereo

Control gets a "C." While *Stitch* goes where you point him well enough, the infernal camera often makes that moot. The control scheme is easy for even tiny minds to grasp

Stitch Experiment 626 gets a "C." This is a solid title for children, doomed by its evil camera design

Stitch Experiment 626 is rated "E," for ages 6 and up

'Lovely Bones' catches readers in its trap

The *Lovely Bones* (Little Brown, 328 pages, \$21.95) by Alice Sebold

BY DONNA LIQUORI
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The first chapter of *The Lovely Bones* is a trap. Once you're in it, there's no escape

It's both horrifying and mesmerizing, the kind of writing that has you still reading while you're leaving the bookstore

Alice Sebold's first novel is more than a suspenseful page-turner. It's an innovative and tricky narrative risk that *Stitch* pulls off with aplomb

"My name was *Salmon*, like the fish, first name, *Susie*. I was fourteen when I was murdered," the book begins

Susie narrates from heaven, her heaven

"When I first entered heaven I thought everyone saw what I saw. That in everyone's heaven there were soccer goalposts in the distance and lumbering women throwing shot put and javelin. That all the buildings were like suburban northeast high schools built in the 1960s"

The landscape of heaven that Sebold creates is entrancing in a lonely sort of way, a place where something has only to be desired and it will appear

Only life remains elusive. "Often I found myself desiring simple things and I would get them. Riches in furry packages. Dogs.

"Every day in my heaven tiny dogs and big dogs, dogs of every kind, ran through the park outside my room"

And in the evening, Sebold creates for *Susie* a safe place of women and music and dancing dogs

Through the narration, *Susie* is portrayed as a likable girl just starting to become whom she would have been when she was killed.

how he has unsuccessfully fought the urge to kill

Sebold has license here, and she uses it, imaginatively unfolding an unpredictable plot

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She was a thoughtful girl who wanted to become a nature photographer. Her home life was mostly happy and her relationship with her father was particularly moving

She held bottles for him as he built tiny ships inside them. *Susie*, we learn, was a steady force in the household. And the "lovely bones" are not *Susie's* remains, but the connections that grew around her absence to mend a family

Mrs. *Bethel Utemeyer*, the oldest resident of my heaven, would bring out her violin. *Holly* tread lightly on her horn. They would do a duet. One woman old and silent, one woman not past girl yet. Back and forth, a crazy schizoid solace they'd create"

Susie watches as her family deals with her disappearance and the growing realization that something horrible has happened to her

The description of how her sister deals with the death is particularly moving as she navigates adolescence and loss

"I could see it happen. *Lindsey's* body began to knot. She was working hard keeping everyone out, everyone, but she found *Samuel Heckler* cute. Her heart, like an ingredient in a recipe, was reduced, and regardless of my death she was thirteen, he was cute, and he had visited her on Christmas Day"

Susie's father is also thrown into turmoil, embarking on a mission to catch his daughter's killer that threatens his own life

Her mother's way of dealing is probably the most disturbing and verges on implausible, but Sebold manages it effectively in the end

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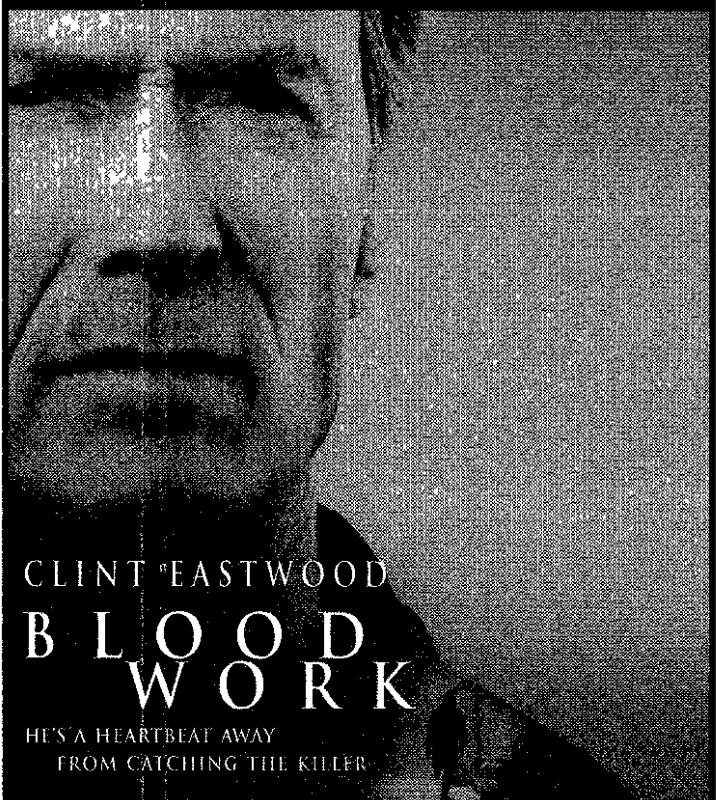
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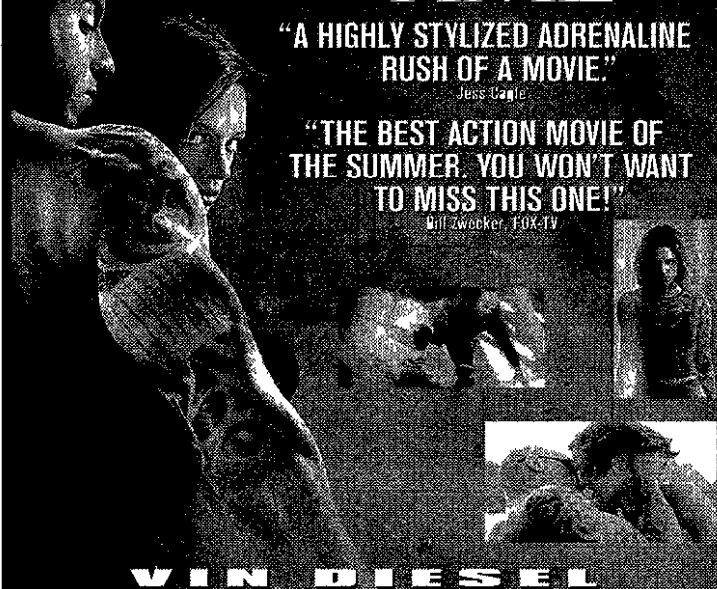
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Bistro 550 serves made-from-scratch fare

BY CHRISTINE BRODA
STAFF WRITER

After more than 30 years of working as a chef for country clubs and resorts all over Michigan, Chris Byrd wanted to do something in the culinary arts field that was a little more personal and close to home.

That's why the Plymouth resident of 15 years opened Bistro 550 in downtown Plymouth last March.

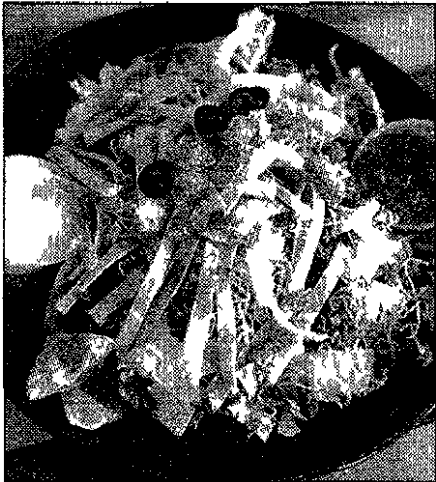
Located at 550 Forest inside Westchester Square Mall, Bistro 550 replaces Uncle Frank's Chicagos and Coneys, a long-time favorite restaurant of local citizens.

"I wanted to do something on my own for awhile," said Byrd, who most recently served as manager of the Southfield Manor Club. "This restaurant (Uncle Frank's) had a good reputation in the neighborhood — I wanted to expand on that and add my own touches."

Indeed, former patrons of Uncle Frank's will find many of their favorites still on the Bistro menu, including the classic Chicago-style and Coney Island hot dogs.

"All the really good things we kept," he said, adding that he considers input from diners when designing the menu, which changes seasonally.

Byrd also kept the tradition of the hot dog cart alive at Bistro 550. A trademark favorite of Uncle Frank's, the hot dog cart is available to rent for personal parties and activities. Byrd peddles his fresh all-beef Vienna hot dogs at local events, such as Plymouth's Music in the Air, a



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The Bistro 550's famous taco salad

summer concert series that takes place every Friday in Kellogg Park.

Byrd draws on his extensive culinary experience to create dishes that satisfy customers who long for both the unique as well as the familiar.

"Our food is pretty eclectic," he said. From the summer menu patrons can choose between a variety of lighter fare, including sandwiches, salads and burgers.

According to Byrd, the most popular item is the chicken salad sandwich, made with chicken, grapes, walnuts and sage mayonnaise on white or multi-grain bread.

Of the number of international sandwiches offered at Bistro 550, Byrd said

his personal favorite is the muffuletta, a New Orleans-style sub topped with olive salad on a roll. To create this unique taste, Byrd uses three kinds of olives mixed into a relish and tossed in a dressing made with fresh herbs and spices.

The pan bagnat (pronounced "pon-bonya") is another tasty pick with an international flair. A vegetarian favorite along the Riviera, Byrd creates his own version of the sandwich using chopped tomato and marinated vegetables on a roll.

Another unique item on the menu is the salmon burger, made from boneless, skinless ground salmon and topped with a light lemon dill mayonnaise. And if it's the salmon that entices your taste buds, Byrd recommends the fresh salmon cake salad, a homemade specialty served on greens with lemon dill mayonnaise and a roll.

Byrd said most items at Bistro 550 were once specials that became so popular he decided to include them on the menu on a regular basis.

The search for new and exciting dishes to serve at his restaurant has taken Byrd all across the country, from Philadelphia to New Orleans.

"When I travel I usually pick up items I like and try to incorporate them into my menu," he said.

But no matter what one orders at Bistro 550, customers can be assured they are getting a fresh, homemade dish prepared by Byrd himself.

"There are no mixes or 'prefab' stuff," he said, explaining that all items are made from scratch, right down to the

BISTRO 550

Where: 550 Forest Plymouth inside the Westchester Square Mall, (734) 455-4141

Hours: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday Tuesday Wednesday and Friday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday

Menu: Known for the famous all-beef Vienna hot dogs, Bistro 550 also offers a wide selection of soups, salads, sandwiches, burgers and vegetarian meals as well as specialty items like quiche and quesadillas.

Cost: Hot dog prices are \$2.50 to \$3.25 (two for \$5), sandwiches run \$3.25 to \$5.50, salads are \$5.25 to \$6.95 and burgers cost \$5.50 to \$6.95.

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dressings and fillings. Besides the main entrees, other homemade specials include a variety of desserts such as fresh-baked cookies and brownies, as well as a wide selection of soups like gazpacho and tomato bisque.

"It's what bistros are about — making everything on premise," Byrd said. "I try to keep with that theme."

Another theme of Bistro 550 is the friendly, family-oriented atmosphere. Byrd has created between the red walls and wood-planked floors of his dining establishment.

Many of Byrd's customers are regulars who appreciate the cozy environment.

"About 30 percent of the people we know on a first name basis," he said.

Friendliness and familiarity are not hard to come by at Bistro 550, consider-

ing Byrd has made owning and operating the restaurant a family affair. He explained that his wife, Karen, does most of the shopping and menu printing, while his mother-in-law takes care of the accounting and his father-in-law contributes much of the artwork on the walls.

Plymouth resident Peter McKolay said the restaurant remains a favorite of his since he started dining there seven years ago when it was Uncle Frank's.

"What keeps him coming back for more?"

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Among the hottest looks for the kitchen are matte sheer voile fabrics that blend well with both traditional and contemporary decors according to Dan Goss, senior merchant for window treatments for The Great Indoors. Toile patterns are also making their way into the kitchen.



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Taking shape

Bromeliads take many different enchanting forms

BY BRENDA DOMINICK
STAFF WRITER

Just beyond a long, windy, feathery grass pathway are various shapes, sizes and species of bromeliad flowers, nicely blooming and nestled in a Farmington Hills shade garden.

Paul Wingert, former president of the Bromeliad Society, has been growing bromeliads for about 25 years, and still admires the enchanting allure of these species.

"There is about 3,000 different species (of bromeliads) and countless hybrids in here," he said.

Wingert will feature some of his bromeliads in the Southeastern Michigan Bromeliad Society Show Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 17-18 (see accompanying story).

Bromeliads are members of the plant family Bromeliaceae (bro-meh-lee-AH-say-eye), containing approximately 56 genera.

Though some bromeliad fanciers like

Wingert keep their plants outdoors, some use them as houseplants because of their exotic form and color, and adaptability to the temperature and humidity of the typical home. Bromeliads are relatively cheap, and don't get easily bothered by pests and other things, such as fungus.

The most recognized bromeliad is the pineapple, but many resemble aloes and yuccas and some resemble green, leafy grasses.

Bromeliads are as functional as they are aesthetic. Pineapple stems are a source of the protein-digesting enzyme bromelain, used as a meat tenderizer. Spanish Moss (*Tillandsia usneoides*) contains a tough, wiry core, once used as a material for stuffing upholstery.

Wingert says these plants can develop in many areas of vegetation.

"A lot of bromeliads are known as apathetic plants," he said. "They'll grow in rain forests, in tree branches. They use the tree or whatever to get closer to the sun."

It's not like mistletoe, which actually is feeding off its host. These are more like taking advantage of pockets of decomposed leaves or bugs.

Recurved spines (*Spines antrorse*), on very few varieties of bromeliads, are developed to act as some source of protection for the plant.

"You certainly don't want to reach down the center," Wingert said, laughing. "The spines will curve back the other way. You'll pull your hand out and it'll take the skin right off it."

The Neoregeha has a rosette form, has open, flaring, narrow or tubular shapes, and can grow from a few inches to more than 3 feet in diameter. Around the center mini grass-like sepals are usually blue or purple petal blooms.

"The most eye-catching thing about Neoregeha is called the flower bracts," Wingert said. "That is the appeal to the plant."

One example of a bract is t



Paul Wingert holds *Aechmea Fasciata* and *Vriesea* "Eva" hybrid, members of the bromeliad family.

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Shown here is a close-up of an earth star bromeliad. The thorn-rimmed leaves surround the sepals of the vase cup.

Bromeliad advice

From Paul Wingert, Mary Lore and Kandy Corona.

Wingert's Wisdom:

■ If the red part or reddish cast of a leaf gets too much nitrogen from fertilizers, more green will appear.

"A lot of the red-leaf types don't want too much nitrogen."

■ There's a lot that you can control just by the culture you give them. "Some will do well in North exposure, but a lot more will be happier in South exposure in the winter."

■ Use a synthetic, fairly sun-proof shade cloth screen cover to protect most bromeliads.

"It gives some protection from the intense rays of the sun in the middle of the day and it pretty much protects from getting burn spots."

Korona's Keys:

■ Amount and degree of light is also important. "They need medium, indirect light through a sheer curtain."

Lore's "List of Tips":

■ Take note. Indoor bromeliads require special attention to water consumption.

"With a bromeliad, if you have the plant indoors you would water the plant and let it dry before you water it again."

"What you are trying to do is keep the soil on the dry side and then keep water in the foliage-formed cup at all times."

■ Light? Shade? Depends on location.

"If you have the bromeliads indoors, then it would prefer a bright light location."

"When you have it outdoors, it's not going to enjoy a bright light location. The heat of the sun is so intense."

Classes offered by the Michigan School of Gardening include two about bromeliads. Class locations are in Birmingham, Detroit and Pontiac. Garden enthusiasts can also visit the school's Web site www.michigangardening.com and participate in a discussion forum on gardening. For information, call (248) 4 GARDEN (442 7336).

Charming, gracious elements of house reflect its residents

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

The graciousness Nick and Ros Scheele extend to visitors is reflected in their Birmingham residence.

The house, built in 1995 by an architect for himself, has a stately feel and the Scheeles have added charming elements in the year they have lived there.

Nick Scheele is president and chief operating officer of Ford Motor Company, and on the board of directors. He is responsible for the global automotive business. Previously he was Ford North America group vice president and Ford of Europe chairman.

Scheele is active in many charity, business and community support projects. He was voted a lifetime member of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children after charring fund-raising for a new child care center in Coventry, England. He is a past president of BEN, the British motor industry benevolent fund.

Scheele, who was knighted by Queen Elizabeth last year, is chairman of the fourth annual Revvin' with Ford, part of the Woodward Dream Cruise weekend (see

accompanying story). The Scheeles have lived in Germany and England.

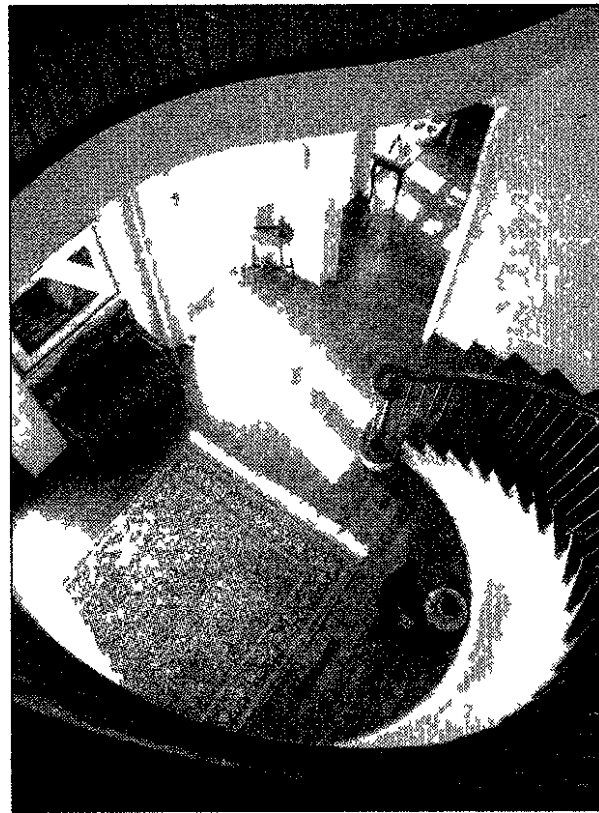
The Scheeles removed the 7-foot yew hedge that was in front of the house in Birmingham, and put in new landscaping in the front and back. They painted the house a lighter color.

Many rooms have high ceilings, and maple flooring is throughout the residence. A large round window on the second floor is among the distinctive features; it was an ideal place to hang a Christmas wreath.

The foyer features a curving stairway, lined with a wrought-iron railing. Prints of cricket players are arranged along the wall. A chandelier from Spain in similar wrought-iron crowns the area. It replaced a chandelier that was in a Chinese lantern style.

Ros refers to a corner of the hallway as the "Eric Gill corner." Here a sculpture by the artist and a book about him are displayed on a little table.

The living room contains groupings of slender windows. Lladro figures stand on the mantel above the tile fireplace.



ROSH SILLARS

The foyer features a curving staircase, and a corner where a sculpture by Eric Gill is displayed.

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One example of a bract is the red leaf-like form on the poinsettia.

"Sometimes the flowers only last for a couple of days, but some of the bracts can last up to several months," Wingert said.

One of Wingert's spotty plants, a red-spotted Neoregelia Olens, provides a polka-dot look and is quite an attention getter for his garden.

In order to get the most out of your bromeliad, gardeners suggest special care tips for these special plants.

Mary Lore, an avid gardener for the past 20 years, and co-founder of the Michigan School of Gardening in Livonia, says because they are tropical plants, bromeliads require a different attention to the soil.

You don't want the soil to be wet, because it's susceptible to crown rot," she said. "Once a plant gets that, it's not going to survive."

Crown rot is when the crown (the cup 2 inches above the soil surface) of the plant, begins to rot away.

ABOUT THE EVENT

■ **What:** The Southeastern Michigan Bromeliad Society Show and Sale and Bromeliad Culture demonstrations Saturday-Sunday Aug 17-18

On display will be more than 200 beautiful species and hybrids. On sale will be plants (all sizes) books and supplies.

■ **Times:** Show and sale - 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Demonstrations - Bromeliad Culture 12:30 p.m. and Mounting Air Plants 1 p.m.

■ **Where:** University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens 1800 N. Dixboro Road, Ann Arbor (phone (734) 998-7061)

■ **Cost:** Admission is free.

■ **For more information:** Call (248) 380-7359

On the other hand, Lore also advises, "You keep the cup watered all the time."

Kandy Korona, assistant manager of one of the Frank's Nursery and Crafts Livonia stores, says because bromeliads have offspring, the baby plant will spring up from the parent, keeping the plant thriving.

"When the flower dies, don't give up on the plant. A new plant will come up on the side eventually with a new flower."

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Tillandsia Tectorum is an "air plant" that needs no soil to flourish.

HOUSE

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On one wall is a drawing of London from the Royal Academy, the scene includes the apartment where the Scheeles lived.

The Scheeles had the coffee table in the room made. It features a glass top and shelf each 1/2-inch thick in a wooden frame.

The spacious kitchen is dressed in yellow and includes a wide tile counter between the sink and a window.

Brass hardware adds to the sunny ambiance of the room, as does a sampler by Ros on a wall (Her needlepoint and quilts adorn various rooms). The island features a small white sink. The white cabinets have glass fronts.

An elegant partners desk and leaded glass are in the cozy library. Model cars are "parked" by books on the built-in mahogany bookshelves.

Walls in the dining room hold maps of Warwickshire and Gloucestershire counties in England (where Nick and Ros were born). By Speed, a renowned 17th century map-maker.

Also in the room are a pen drawing of Nick Scheele's great-grandmother and a print of Goethe's house in Germany. The basement contains a

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movie theater and a wine cellar.

The Scheeles added a small patio in back. The garage has the same shape and round architectural accents as the house.

Here is where the Scheeles park their 2002 Thunderbird, which is in a shade Nick calls "Grace Kelly turquoise."

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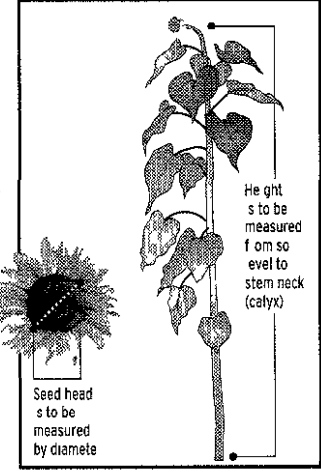
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Clothes washers are now turning into front page news

I started writing this column years ago and the radio show way before then, and the subject of a clothes washer was hardly ever seen anywhere else. Nowadays a clothes washer can be the subject of a front page story.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

They say that for every second of every day, 1,100 consumers are turning on a washing machine. I personally never hear a complaint from consumers where they think the clothes aren't clean enough after they've been through a wash load.

I recently read an article that said Americans don't know how to wash clothes and Europeans do it the correct way. One manufacturer of detergent published data that said 10 percent of the American washed clothing consists of white socks. With this figure I would think that

every businessperson in the country is wearing white socks with a dark business suit.

It seems that a lot of what I read about clothes washers lately has a direction that sends the average mind to the way it's done overseas. Would you like to know why I think this is so? Why are we being told that Europe does it right and we don't know how?

When you come right down to it, the answer is very simple. The whole appliance industry is playing copycat with European washers.

The energy department recently passed mandates on energy consumption and the dear manufacturers of products in this country had a counted vote on this subject. They are designing washers to be front loaded, and look at the prices of these new products. The high cost of a washer is keeping production of these new machines at a slow pace, and how can they create bigger volumes? That is to have you believe it is a necessity.

No wonder that washing machines make front page news, and I will never be able to figure out how this has happened. You won't see this guy

try to tell Ms. Homemaker how to wash a load of clothes.

I might suggest that she fill the machine with water and detergent and let it agitate for a few minutes before she puts in the clothes. I might even tell her that a proven study tells us that bleach should never be added to the wash load until the last four minutes of the cycle.

There is no way that I'm going to tell you how to wash your clothes, and quite frankly, my dear, I don't give a darn. Such a statement would be an insult to your mother who taught you how, and your grandmother who gave your mother lessons.

Now folks, in this country we wash items after they are worn only once. Let the other countries do it their way and stop trying to make me believe it's better. I'll stick to the good old-fashioned American way and I know you will, too. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ 950 and WXYT 1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455 7281.

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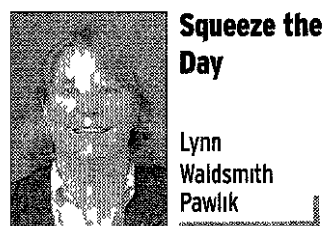
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Squeeze the Day

Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik

Faith, trust and pixie dust

For a long time, my 2-1/2 year old has been saying that she wants to be an astronaut. Of course, I was extremely pleased to hear her name such an admirable occupation at such an early age, especially one that's traditionally been dominated by men. Visions of her excelling at math, engineering and aerospace danced in my head. Could she, I wondered, in some small way be gravitating toward those things already?

But then I discovered her goal is based on a far simpler premise than any lofty ambitions I might have for her in that role. The real reason she wants to be an astronaut?

So she can go to Neverland.

I am not kidding. Neverland, in case you don't know it, is the second star to the right and straight on till morning, according to the Disney fable. Both of my girls are preoccupied with Peter Pan, Tinkerbell and the whole Neverland fantasy. On a clear night they look into the heavens and search for the star they think is Neverland. They talk about how Peter Pan is likely to come take them to that distant playland one evening especially since it's summer time and they have a suitable roof he can land on directly beneath their bedroom window.

Eileen actually worries about things like whether she should wear socks to bed because her feet might get cold when she flies, and Jane wore socks and a coat when she went to Neverland in the Peter Pan sequel, 'Return to Neverland.'

Eileen actually worries about things like whether she should wear socks to bed because her feet might get cold when she flies, and Jane wore socks and a coat when she went to Neverland in the Peter Pan sequel, 'Return to Neverland.' Erin imitates the Lost Boys spitting in their hands over and over again because she finds it so funny. They even talk about what they would do if Peter Pan's nemesis, Captain Hook, were to come take them instead of Peter Pan. (Plans range from kicking him in the behind to telling him that a crocodile is behind him, which would promptly scare him away.)

My older daughter is actually growing impatient. "Why hasn't he come?" Eileen asked. He should have been here by now. I believe in him, so why hasn't he come here yet? Do you think Peter Pan is real, Mom?

I was at a loss for words, but I did the best I could. "Well, yes, I do. He is real if you believe in him. Maybe he comes when you sleep but you just don't remember it. Maybe he comes in your dreams."

She thought about that explanation, somewhat satisfied, at least for awhile. Then

PLEASE SEE PIXIE DUST, C8

Like family

Staffers, campers find lots to like at MDA Summer Camp

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Summer camp can be fun for everyone. And a humbling experience for some.

William Wood, 19, of Canton, was one of hundreds of volunteers nationwide staffing a Muscular Dystrophy Association Summer Camp. Wood worked with area residents at Camp Cavell in Lexington, Mich. during two, week-long sessions in June.

Wood was paired up with Mike Lehmann, 15, of Monroe.

"Everybody is like a family there," Wood said. "Everyone knows each other."

In addition to the close-knit atmosphere, he said, watching campers have a blast while confined to a wheelchair helps put things into perspective.

"You learn not to sweat the small stuff," Wood said.

Motivational skills are a must for camp volunteers like Wood.

"You have to keep them involved," he said. "Don't let them get the mindset that they can't do something because they have a disability."

Wood, a 2001 graduate of Canton High and currently attending Schoolcraft College, said that pranks — a

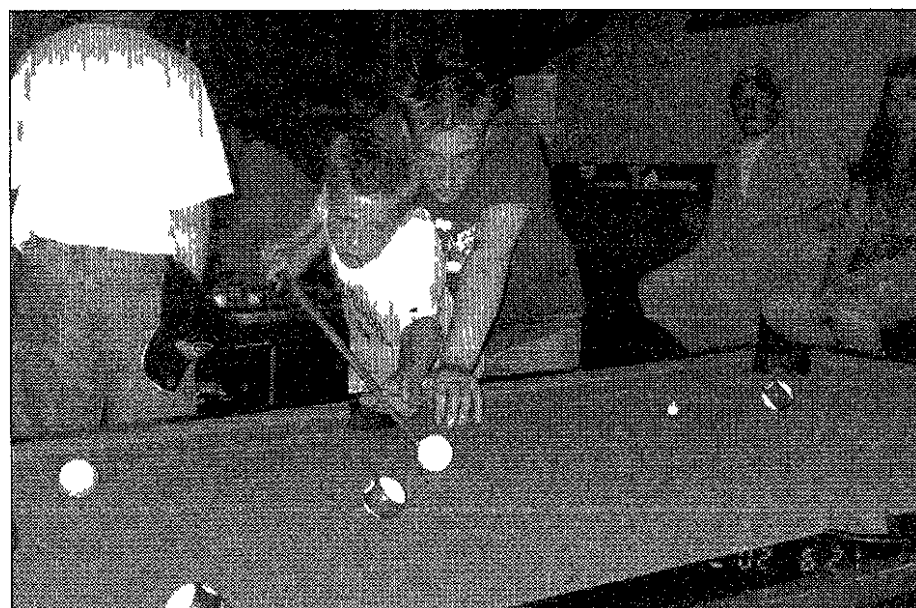
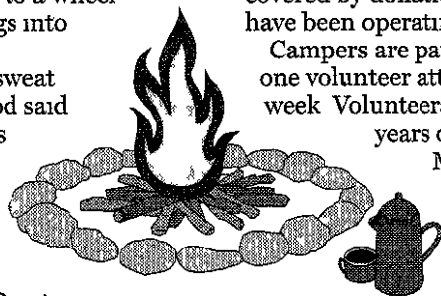
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Alan Omilian
Plymouth Township camper

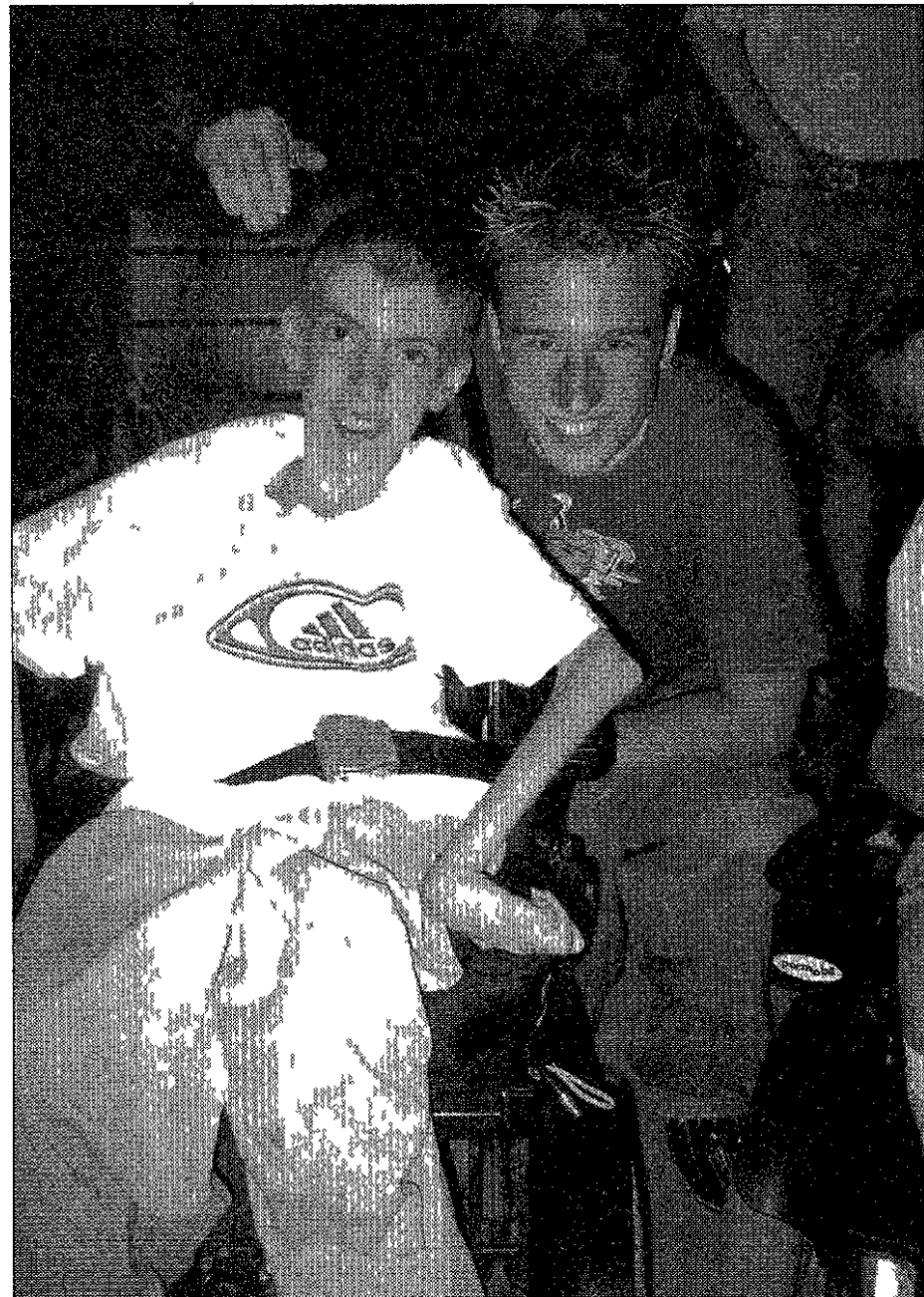
mainstay of summer camp — were fun. "My bed got put on the roof," he said. The MDA camps are designed for children ages 6 through adults age 21. The \$525 cost of camping is completely covered by donations, and the camps have been operating since 1955.

Campers are paired up with at least one volunteer attendant for the entire week. Volunteers must be at least 16 years old, be interviewed by MDA staff and are subject to background checks.

Muscular dystrophy, a neuromuscular disease, affects people in a variety of ways. Some may require wheelchairs, some have partial mobility and others may have full mobility, but take medication to stymie the disease's potentially crippling effects.



MDA volunteer Will Wood helps camper Mike Lehmann try to put the '4' ball in the side pocket during camp activities.



Muscular Dystrophy Association camp volunteer Will Wood with MDA camper Alan Omilian.

Volunteer counselors work one-on-one with campers around the clock, providing care, close supervision and attention. Counselors push wheelchairs, lift and carry the campers and even "bunk down" near the campers.

Plymouth Township camper Alan Omilian, 14, has been to the camp six times.

"It's a great camp," he said. "I keep going to it every year because it gives me a chance to talk and socialize with other kids who are going through the same things I do."

While at camp, a couple of his favorite activities were wheelchair hockey — where he mended the net — and playing video games.

One of the best things, too, was having a chance to be independent.

"I really liked being away from home and being able to be with a couple of my friends," Omilian said.

Omilian's father, Bob, praised the volunteers, like Wood.

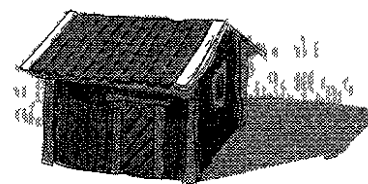
They look beyond the physical prob-

lems and really accept the kids, he said. "You can see it in their eyes."

Alan has had similarly pleasant experiences at Catholic Central High School, where he will be a sophomore.

Since Omilian, who is taking some advanced placement classes, uses a wheelchair and cannot write, it poses a challenge for him and others around him.

But the school has been up to the challenge.



All of Alan's classes were moved to the ground floor. When he takes tests and writes essays, he gives

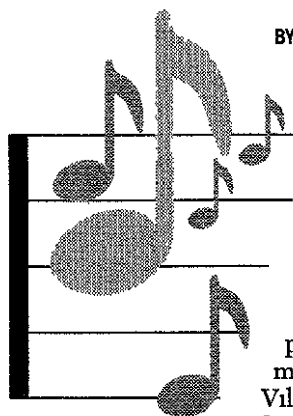
dictation and doesn't have time limits on tests. The school also installed an automatic door.

"They've done more for me than I could've gotten anywhere else," he said. "They've really leveled the playing field, both physically and mentally."

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Dulcimer brings music to artist's life

BY CHERYL VATCHER
CORRESPONDENT



The peaceful notes from the dulcimer filled the air as Charlene Helen Berry played an impromptu piece in the backdrop of Harvey's Old Village Deli. After this solo music performance, Charlene moved to her office in Village Music to continue playing her music and tutoring a fairly new student with whom

she's been working the past few months. Berry is glad to have office space here.

"I was teaching at Village Music for a couple of years. Last May I was able to get this office, which is behind the music room," she said.

Her office is a music room, complete with tutorials and music books designed for students who are just learning music and more advanced students.

As a musician, Berry has always looked for opportunities to teach and play the dulcimer. She had become affiliated with Village Music through an ad a few years ago that was placed through the Chamber of Commerce.

Berry, who has a musical background, started out tinkering with the instrument and its heavenly music. She's been interested since she saw it played in 1985 at the Livonia Mall by the Silver Strings Dulcimer Society. She joined the society and served on its board for five years.

"I became busy as a soloist, and as a member of our band, The Downriver Dulcimers. The band was formed in 1987 and played through 1990. After making our first recording as a band in 1989, and my first recording as a soloist the same year, I was busy," she said.

In 1994 she came out with her first CD. One of her recent releases is a solo performance called "Joy, Peace and Healing."

I combine the poetry of music, the ethereal sounds and resources of the hammer dulcimer and

the ageless healing arts, Berry said. "The side called Renewed Life is a suite of improvisations on the healing tones that relate to the bodily organs and energy centers. It's music for meditation, therapy and spiritual development."

Improvisations are an important part of Berry's repertoire.

A lot of individuals like the music for healing and special music occasions, she said. "An individual can give me a few notes and I'll create music

for them. If they ask to hear it again, I'll try to approximate it a second time."

Berry likes to educate people on the dulcimer, a stringed musical instrument with open strings stretched over a sound board. It is played with two small sticks called hammers or beaters. Its origins are in the Biblical psalter, she said.

"From classical antiquity to the present, the dulcimer has been played as a solo instrument and in consort with other instruments and singers," Berry said.

When Berry began her quest to perfect playing the dulcimer, she wanted to learn everything about it. Her research included the history of the instrument, as well as other performers who have played it.

Scholars she researched included Schuckhaus and Kettlewell.

Josef Pressler, a Munich publisher, has published works edited by Karl Schuckhaus, but getting the manuscripts is not easy, she said. "The well-known professional dulcimerists, whom I met at the ODPF annual festival, told me, 'It's great you are doing research, let us know what you find out.'"

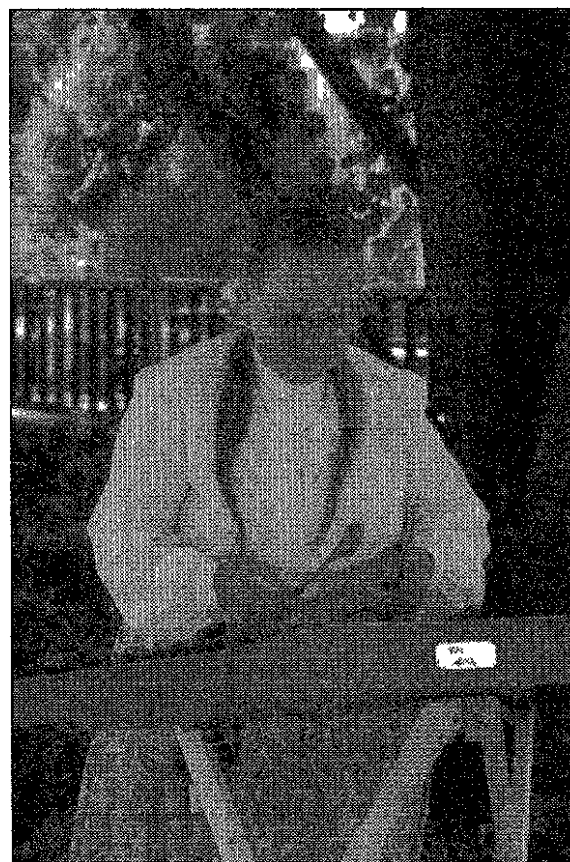
"I've interloaned materials from libraries all over the United States. One problem in researching an early music is obscurity," Berry explained. "To cover the trail of pirated editions, publishers would cross the name of the intended instrument and write in the name of another with the same tessitura."

Berry's music background is varied and extensive. She studied music at Wayne State University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in 1968 and master's degrees in 1970 and 1974.

One of the advantages of playing the dulcimer is that it enables Berry to become a better musician on other instruments that she plays as well, especially the flute. She said her combined dulcimer background and fluency in music makes it easier for her to play other instruments.

Berry's research has provided her with some background on when this musical instrument evolved.

"This research included the history of it, as well



CHERYL VATCHER

The dulcimer has held the interest of Charlene Helen Berry since she first heard it played back in 1985.

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Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Northville invites you to participate in the Mackinaw Bridge Walk Aug 30 to Sept 2. Buses leave 12:30 p.m. Friday. Cost is \$325 per person with two in a room. \$215 with four to a room. Cost includes Friday box lunch, three break fasts, hotel, Friday night dinner and ferry ride to the island. Call the SPM office at (248) 374 5920.

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Historic church dedication
Old St. Mary's 646 Monroe Ave (Greektown) Detroit will dedicate its new Parish Center Sunday Aug 11 after the noon Mass. Bishop Moses Anderson will officiate. Guests are invited to tour the church built in 1855 and its newly renovated gardens. The church and center also will be open 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday Aug 12. Call (313) 961 8711.

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CHURCH SERVICES

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Antioch Lutheran Church
Summer Sunday service 9:30 a.m. through Labor Day weekend. Contemporary Praise service 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays through Aug 28. Preceded by 6:30 p.m. Bible study. The church is at 33360 W 13 Mile Road corner of Farmington Road Farmington Hills (248) 626 7906.

Clarenceville United Methodist
Clarenceville United Methodist Church has made the following schedule change for summer. Traditional Worship Service 8:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 10 a.m. Casual Service for

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widow/widower support
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DULCIMER

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as other performers who have played it since biblical time. In an age where virtually everything has been researched to death, the lack of information regarding the dulcimer came as a shock," she said.

Berry has worked hard to learn as much as she can about this instrument so that she can pass it on to her musical students. When she is not teaching a class, or performing, she tutors many students at her office inside Village Music.

"I teach people of all ages. I have students that are children and those that are senior citizens," she said. "It's mostly women who take lessons. Throughout its history there are more women than men who have played. I give my

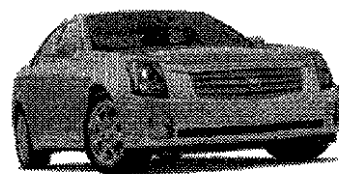


CHERYL VATCHER

Charlene Helen Berry left works with student Maureen Skelley who is learning to play Berry's favorite instrument the hammer dulcimer.

students as much information as I can about the instrument. One of her students, Maureen Skelley, was looking forward to her next lesson with Charlene. I've been taking lessons since April, once a week. I give myself a challenge once a year," said Skelley, a Plymouth resident who then turned to Berry and said, "I want to play like you do right now. You are someone to aspire to."

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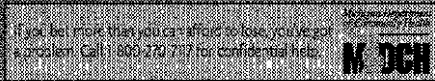
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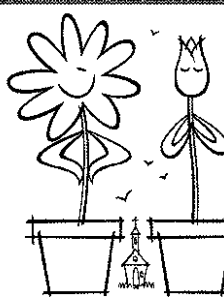
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Pride and Humility

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 ourselves. 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



Integrity and a trust in God breeds security

What do WorldCom, Arthur Anderson, and Enron have to do with us? Just this: the constant demand to make ethical choices day by day. While many workers in giant corporations maintain integrity, the corrupt acts of some have resulted in the closing of businesses and the loss of jobs, retirement savings, and confidence in the investment markets.

Perhaps this hardship is not in vain and some greater good for society will come out of it.

Improper ways of doing business have been going on for ages. Possibly the reason it's coming to the forefront now is because of the increased search for and practice of spirituality by individuals. It's like pouring pure water into a glass of muddy water. If one keeps pouring in pure water the mud will eventually come to the surface and be washed away, leaving only the pure. Similarly, if we pour spirituality and morality into a business muddled with dishonesty and corruption, the bad will rise to the surface of public thought to be healed and washed away - leaving the purer practices of ethics to form the foundation.

While in college, I tried to hide the truth about something from a friend, but the truth came out anyway. This friend told me that lying or deception only wastes time and that the truth ALWAYS comes out, so I might as well be honest up front. He was right, and the Bible confirmed this. It says, "there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed, neither hid, that shall not be known" (Luke 12:2).

I never did that again. Later, as a college graduate with an accounting degree, I accepted the position of senior accountant for a new company. After a few months the owner asked me to keep two sets of financial records. The request was presented to me in a way that tried to make it sound okay. I refused to do it. The

decision might cost me my job. This was a job I desperately needed, since I was soon to be married and would be the breadwinner while my husband finished college.

Mary Baker Eddy, a highly acclaimed spiritual thinker and author, always insisted on the highest moral and ethical standards. She wrote of divine love, or the Supreme Being. "Love unfolds marvelous good and uncovers hidden evil." Also "He risks nothing who obeys the law of God." Her primary work, Science and Health, assures us that "honesty is spiritual power, dishonesty is human weakness, which forfeits divine help."

As I pondered these ideas, several things occurred to me. First, I realized to hide the truth of the company's poor financial condition from our creditors would be a "hidden evil" that sooner or later would be uncovered. Being honest with our creditors would be loving and, therefore, would unfold good.

By maintaining my integrity, I would not risk anything good because this is obeying God's law, which always brings blessings. My obedience to God in expressing honesty would align me with the spiritual power that provides my abundance and security. Conversely, expressing dishonesty would separate me from this help.

I did lose my job, but I continued to trust God, knowing that I had done the right thing. My husband's and my needs were met in other ways, even though I didn't find another full time job right away. The company went bankrupt, and the owner got into trouble with the law, losing his home and much more. Losing my job actually protected me from being caught up in all this.

Whether we're directly involved in shady business practices or watching from afar, now is the time to discover or renew our conviction of the great reward for living a life that expresses God's qualities. We can also help others gain the courage to trust the divine goodness.

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Practical Spirituality

Nancy Sebring

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EVENTS

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Alzheimer's
St John Neumann Catholic Church's Alzheimer's Support Group meets 7:30 p.m. Thursday Aug 15 at the church 44800 Warren Road Canton. Facilitator Rosemarie Shim, a social worker and parishioner has 14 experience working with Alzheimer patients and their families. Call (734) the church office at (734) 455-5910.

Arts & Culture
Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Northville offers a 4 1/2 hour tour Saturday Aug 17 of Detroit's historic

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Summer Music
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Healing service
Madonna University Prayer Group will hold an evening of prayer 6 p.m. Sunday Aug 18 at Madonna University Center 14421 Levan Road Room 1 (ground floor) Livonia. Deacon Bruce Simpson a world traveling Catholic evangelist with a healing ministry based in Orlando Fla will officiate. All are welcome. Call John at (734) 422-5611 or Marilyn at (734) 525-0154.

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Widow/Widower
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Maximum APR on both products is 18%. Lines of Credit are not to be owner occupied (1-4 family principal residences and are subject to our underwriting standards. Property insurance required. Flood insurance may be required. Prepayment fee equal to 1% of highest outstanding loan balance owed since inception of the agreement or \$350 whichever is greater will apply if line of credit agreement is canceled within one year. Monthly payments of least will result in balloon payment at maturity. Offers are good on new line of credit relationships only and are subject to change without notice.
Consult a tax advisor regarding deductibility of interest after 8/1/2002.

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ENGAGEMENTS

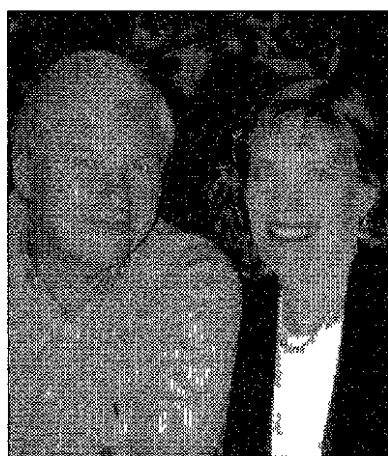
Snider-Jorgensen

Alma J Snider of Wayne is proud to announce the engagement of her daughter, Cindy Lee Snider of San Antonio Texas, formerly of Plymouth, to Kirk R Jorgensen, son of Richard and Irene Jorgensen of Omaha, Neb

Cindy is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and of Anderson University She has her master's degree from the University of Texas in San Antonio She is currently employed as a CFO at Southwest Business Corporation in San Antonio

Kirk is a graduate of the University of Nebraska-Omaha with a degree in communications He is a retired U.S. Army warrant officer and is currently employed as an air traffic control manager with the FAA at the San Antonio International Airport

An October wedding is planned at Luther Memorial Lutheran Church of Omaha with the reception at the Joslyn Art Museum

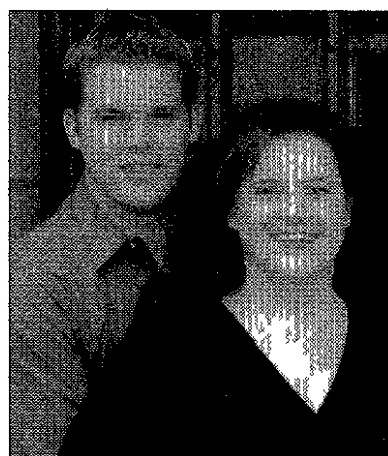


Dziedzic-Fisher

Tim and Diane Dziedzic of Canton announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jennifer, to Alan Fisher, son of Mike and Rogene Fischer from Manistee

Jennifer attended Divine Child High School in Dearborn She received a bachelor of science degree in nursing from Michigan State University and a master's degree in nursing from the University of Michigan She is currently employed as a nurse practitioner at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn Alan graduated from Manistee Catholic Central High School He attended Michigan State University and Grand Valley State University, where he graduated with a degree in special education He is presently employed as a teacher of autistic children at Derby Middle School in Birmingham

An August wedding is planned at St. John's Chapel in Plymouth



Kasperek-Dely

Norbert and Theresa Kasperek of Comstock Park, Mich., announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Kasperek of Dearborn Heights, to Steven Dely of Dearborn Heights, the son of John and Sharon Bartus and Michael Dely of Canton

Susan is a graduate of Western Michigan University with a bachelor's degree and has her master's degree from the University of Detroit Mercy

Steven is a graduate of Churchill High School

A January wedding is planned at St. Christopher's Church in Detroit



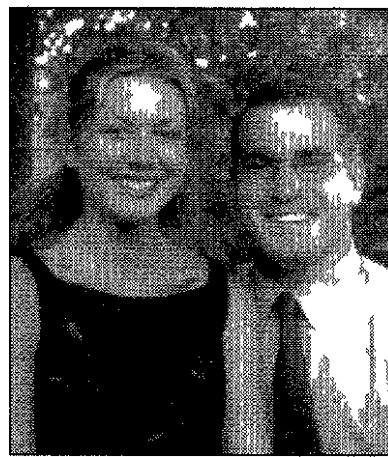
Alkidas-Tebben

Mr and Mrs Alex Alkidas of Troy announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Marina, to Christopher Tebben, son of Sally Tebben of Plymouth and John Tebben of Plymouth

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of Notre Dame and is employed by Ameritech

Her fiancé is a graduate of Michigan State University and University of Michigan He is employed by Kraft Foods

An August wedding is planned



SINGLES MINGLE

Send items for consideration in singles calendar to Hometown Life Observer Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150 fax (734) 591 7278

Farmington Hills Borders will offer a 20 percent discount on all titles chosen for discussion

Volleyball in The Park
In need of summertime exercise? Join us for several casual games of volleyball. Nets will be designated Social Intermediate and Competitive. Everyone is welcome to come and play or just socialize. We play at two locations: Every Tuesday at Heritage Park (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile). Afterwards we socialize at Shots Tavern on Ten Mile just east of Orchard Lake or on Thursdays at Harding Park (just South of I 696 Exit 17). Afterwards we socialize at Warrilows 2140 Hilton just south of Woodward Heights. The cost is \$2 and we play through September.

Golf Co-ed
Monday through Friday we have nine social golf leagues so pick your best night a course and join us for a great season of golf. All levels of players are welcome. Call for locations at (248) 960 8294.

Softball Co-ed
Now forming six weeks of doubleheaders starting Aug 25. Softball practices and sign up at 5 p.m. at Founders Sports Park located in Farmington Hills on 8 Mile between Farmington Road and Halsted. No refunds will be given two weeks prior to the start of the league. You must be paid to be placed on a team. After practices we socialize at Dunleavy's Pub on Grand River and Drake at 7 p.m. You may also sign up at this time.

Dude Ranch Weekend
Join MSP on Aug 16 17 and 18 at Western Michigan's only summer camp for big kids. Our weekend at the Double JJ Resort is truly a fun time. All inclusive price is for accommodations all meals and activities. RSVP Today. A \$65 non refundable deposit will hold your reservation.

Selective Singles Social and Travel Club
For people 35 years old and up. Activities include dinners dances cards camping theatre sports travel. To learn more about the club call (248) 435 5320 or go to www.sstc.org

EVENTS

Single Point Ministries

Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church invites you to join over 500 single adults every Sunday at 11:30 a.m. in Knob Hall for fellowship and encouragement. The Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help equip you to maximize your singleness and relationship with God. Coffee donuts conversation and Christ are always present. SPM has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. Give us a try. For more information or to have a newsletter sent call the SPM office at (248) 374 5920.

Walking Club

Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers a walking club. We meet in the hospitality area in the Grand Mall on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6 p.m. and walk outside rain or shine. Open to all fitness levels.

Metropolitan Single Professionals Dining Parties

Our goal is to provide our members and friends with a sampling of some of the best and most interesting dining places in the metro Detroit area. Join us Thursday Aug 8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Copper Creek Country Club on Twelve Mile east of Haggerty in Farmington. Call (248) 489 9400 for further information.

Single Mingle Dances

Come meet new friends dance and socialize 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday Aug 9 at the Double Tree Guest Suites Novi on Novi Road at I 96. There will be a Top 40 D.J. cash bar hors d'oeuvres and door prizes. Admission is \$10. Attire is dressy casual unless otherwise noted. Everyone is welcome.

Book Discussion Group

MSP's book discussion group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Borders Books in

PIXIE DUST

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I pushed their questions aside until recently, when something happened that brought me a little closer to understanding their fascination with Peter Pan.

I was standing outside one evening admiring the flowers when suddenly I heard something loudly smack our front porch window. At first I thought it was a baseball, but then I saw it. A small bird had flown full force into the glass and appeared to be dead. I inched closer and could see it laying on its back, unable to fly. But his chest was moving up and down rapidly. He was alive, after all. But he was stunned from the impact and with nightfall approaching, the cold cement could kill him.

My husband cupped the bird in his hands and placed him in a small pile of mulch in a bucket

of flowers we keep on the porch. We left him there, not sure whether he would die or hopefully be able to fly away after resting overnight in the makeshift nest. The next morning, the girls told me the good news. The bird was gone.

"The bird flew away, Mama," Erin said excitedly. "Just like Peter Pan!"

There it was again, that lingering affinity for the boy who never grows up. But I eventually realized how it makes perfect sense from a child's point of view. If a nearly-dead bird could fly again, it's only natural for kids to believe that one day they might be able to take flight also.

As they say in the story, all it takes is a little faith, trust and pixie dust. Or in this case, a little mulch.

Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik is a regular contributor to the Observer. She and her family live in Plymouth. You can e-mail her at pawlwald@comcast.net.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3 00 p.m. Thursday August 22nd 2002 for the following

ON-AIR PLAYBACK SERVER WITH AUTOMATION

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

TERRY G BENNETT Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road
Canton MI 48188
(734) 397 5435

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INSTALLATION OF EXTERIOR DOORS AND FOYER RENOVATION FOR THE CANTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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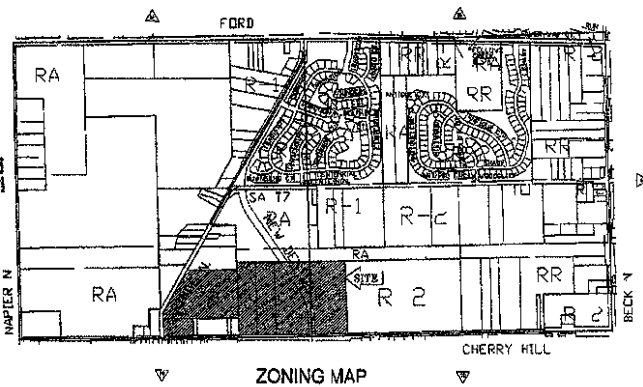
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday August 26 2002 in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7 00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

UPTOWN PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) - AMENDMENT #1 CONSIDER REQUEST TO MODIFY THE DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PARCEL KNOWN AS THE 'EAST PARCEL' OR AS THE FUTURE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE. Property is located on the north side of Cherry Hill and east of Ridge Road.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the above address prior to Thursday August 22 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT (02-2)

Consider Canton Township-initiated amendment to the following articles:

Amend Section 6.02 C
Site Development standards for Automobile Filing Stations Automobile Service Stations, and Automobile Repair Garages

Amend Section 16.02B
Removing Automobile Filing Stations as a Special Land Use in C 2 Community Commercial District

Amend Section 17.02B
Removing Automobile Filing Stations as a Special Land Use in C 3 Regional Commercial District

Amend Section 22.02
Removing Automobile Filing Stations as a Special Land Use in LI 2 Light Industrial 2 District

Section 26.03
Amending footnote b of the Schedule of Regulations relative to setbacks in the O 1 Office District

Section 27.03
Amending the standards for Granting Special Land Use approval

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS JULY 30, 2002

A study session of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, July 30 2002. Supervisor Yack at 6 05 p.m. called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, Shefferly, McLaughlin, LaJoy. Yack. Absent: None.

Staff Present: Dave Horstman, Ann Conklin, Russ Heatwole, Tom Leh, Debra Bilbrey, Honsowetz.

Also Present: Ted Schneider of The Observer & Eccentric.

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, seconded LaJoy to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Trustees was given a tour of the Summit, Golf Course, Independence Park and Victory Park. The Board was shown the recent improvements of the area and informed of future plans to take place.

Adjourn Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy at 8 15 p.m. to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The above is a synopsis of the actions taken at the regular board meeting held Tuesday July 30, 2002. The full text of the approved minutes will be available following the next regular meeting of August 13 2002.

THOMAS J YACK, Supervisor

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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As space permits the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print without charge announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia 48150. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact person and a telephone number.

Bentley High School

Class of 1962
A 40 year class reunion will be held 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Sept 7 at the Livonia Marriott. Call Joy Rouse at (248) 668 9883 for further information.
Class of 1967
A 35th class reunion will be held Saturday Oct 12. For more information click on www.classmates.com GailRyd@aol.com or call Gail Morell (313) 336 3329.
Class of 1958
A 44th reunion golf outing and picnic is being held Saturday Aug 10. For more information contact Ellen (Baumgartner) Dorman at (734) 261 6984.

Carl Brablec High School

Class of 1972
A 30th class reunion on Friday Sept 20 2002 contact Andres (Rusch) Snyder at (586) 949 4264 or e mail at ars510@yahoo.com

Catholic Central

Class of 1961
For information about the Girls Catholic Central of Detroit 40th reunion call Jan Seefeld (248) 398 7777 or Nancy Nowak Kush (313) 291 1165.

Chadsey

Class of 1952
A golden anniversary reunion is in the early planning stages. Alumni are being asked to call and share their interest in attending a reunion. Call Florence A. Azzopardi (313) 937 1246.

Clarenceville High School

Class of 1977
A 25 year class reunion is being held Oct 4 2002. For more information please contact Malinda Jaber Merritt at (313) 531 5326 (e mail Malinmerr@aol.com) and/or Diane Dickey Paparelli at (248) 352 1290 or click on classmates.com. Picnic and bonfire are also being planned for Oct 5 2002.

Denby High

Class of June 1962
Reunion planned for Nov 30 at the Lochmoor Country Club in Grosse Pointe. Call Joe at (248) 656 9616 or e mail your address to Pam at Nursepam@starband.net

Detroit-Cass Technical High School

Class of 1952
Our 50th reunion will be on Sept 28 2002 at the Northfield Hilton in Troy. Contact Jan MacVlor at jmjake@javbs.com or Carolyn Churchill at 800 444 56333.

Detroit Central High

Class of 1953
50th reunion Sept 13 2003. Call Bernice Betman (248) 737 5773.

Detroit Chadsey High School

Classes of 1934 1954
A class reunion is being held at Parkland Park in Dearborn Heights east of Outer Drive on Tuesday Aug 13

at 11:30 a.m. Call Harry at (313) 582 2372 for further information.

Detroit Redford

Classes of January June 1962
A 40 year reunion is planned Friday Sept 27. Call Lee Leddy at (734) 425 7860.

Detroit Southeastern High School

Class of 1941 1942 and 1943
A reunion will take place Sept 27 at Barrister Gardens in St. Clair Shores. All alums and guests welcome. Call Doris (May) Brewer at (734) 675 9757. Bert West at (586) 779 8794 or Paul Andrews at (313) 882 3974.

Detroit Southwestern High School

Class of June 1942
A reunion will take place on Sept 15 at Park Place in Dearborn. All alums and guests welcome. Call June Lesniak at (313) 928 2318 or Joe Yeglic at (734) 283 1478.

Fordson High

Class of 1952
Fifty year reunion Saturday Oct 5 at the Hellenic Cultural Center in Westland. For more information January grads contact (313) 388 1582 or orloff@aol.com and June grads call (313) 565 1641 or contact jan marv@juno.com

Garden City High School

Class of 1962
A 40th reunion dinner dance being held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday Oct 12 at Immaculate Conception Knights of Columbus Hall in Garden City. Contact Peggy (Sinclair) Burklow at (734) 425 9826. Reservation deadline is Aug 30 2002.

Garden City East

Class of 1977
25th class reunion Oct 19. E mail GCEAST1977@aol.com or call Kim Gallinat Orsette at (734) 762 6357 or Julie Stapleton Edgar at (734) 762 6373.
Class of 1982
20th reunion Nov 9. Call Traci at (517) 552 1955 or Denine at (734) 421 5584.

Garden City West High

Class of 1971
Reunion scheduled for Aug 10 2002 at the Marriott in Romulus. Register at www.classreunionsplus.com and visit the class Web site at www.homestead.com/gardencitywest71/index.html

Holy Redeemer

Class of 1962
Classmates call Frank S. Barkovich regarding the class reunion in 2002. Call (734) 397 8777.
Class of 1953
A 50 year reunion is planned for Oct 11 2003 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Contact Ellen McCarthy Wright at ellen.inredford@yahoo.com

Howell High School

Class of 1977
A 25th reunion beginning at 6 p.m. Aug 17 at the Chemung Hills Country Club on Golf Club Road in Howell. Current addresses are still needed. For more information contact Brian Tyler at (517) 546 9278 or (810) 227 6572 or btyler@ism.net

Immaculata High School

Class of 1952

A 50th reunion being held on Sept 21 2002. Contact Carol at (586) 939 4848 or Shirley at shirlicro@aol.com

Livonia Stevenson

Class of 1972
A 30 year reunion is planned for Friday Aug 9 at The Italian American Club of Livonia. Contact Kathy (Guilbault) Harris (734) 462 1772 or kthar53@aol.com or Paul St. Henry (734) 591 6081 or psth@aol.com

Lowrey High School

Class of 1954
Reunion planned for 2004. In the works are various classmate committee meetings. Call Fay (Bolton) Reeves at (248) 349 2094 or send an e mail to her at fayree@aol.com or call Yvonne (Bird) Chavis at (313) 277 1175 or e mail her at bhavis@aol.com

Madonna University

All Alumni
Come join in sharing fun food and friendship at the Alumni Reunion 2002 scheduled for Saturday Oct 5 in the University Center on campus. For more information call Elyse Penzato at (734) 432 5740.

Marian High School

Class of 1996
Contact Jennifer Latimer (248) 646 9060 or Tina Malloy (248) 433 1795

McFarland Junior High

Class of 1966
Classmates are being sought for a 35th reunion. Call Karen (810) 573 7145. Vickie (517) 548 5133 or e mail mss27@aol.com

Murray-Wright High School

Classes of 1973 1974 1975 & 1976
Looking for alumni call to get your name on the list to Naomi (313) 567 8217.

New Boston Huron High

Class of 1976 80
Reunion Saturday Oct 19. Contact 1977 Lynn Doyle/Curl (734) 782 5356 or e mail tcur14@comcast.net. 1978 Linda Novak/Perry (734) 697 0868 or e mail jwpf4x4@people.pc.com. 1979 Sharon Lilly/Bokar (734) 941 3890 or e mail usps481@aol.com or Monica Pachy/Tomlinson (734) 420 3411 or e mail m2tomlin@aol.com. Contacts for 1976 and 1980 undetermined at this time.

Oak Park High School

Class of 1962
A reunion is planned for Oct 11 (Friday Night Canteen) and dinner Oct 12 at the Excalibur in Southfield. For information contact ophs62reunion@aol.com via e mail

Pershing High School

Class of 1962
A reunion is being planned. Class of

1961 summer school grads also welcome. Call Carol Kraus (734) 878 6943 or e mail camgrz@ism.net or Chaine Corso (517) 546 8145 or e mail chcorso@ism.net

Pioneer Ann Arbor

Class of 1991
The committee is updating addresses/phone numbers of class members. Call (800) 677 7800 visit www.taylorreunions.com or e mail info@taylorreunions.com (313) 291 6359

Pontiac Central High School

Class of 1977
A 25 year reunion is planned for Saturday Oct 12 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Troy. Cost \$50 per person cash bar. Contact Marsha Easley Bell (248) 745 5780 or e mail mebell@aol.com. Terri Wright Covington e mail tlcc004@aol.com or Barry Z. Roberts (586) 986 9267 (work) e mail zurell13@yahoo.com

Rochester High School

Class of 1952
Fifty year class reunion Saturday Sept 14. Contact Mary Louise (Miller) Sherby 522 Renshaw Rochester 48307 (248) 651 1014

Roeper School

Class of 1958 1964
Reunion weekend planned for Sept 27 29. A dinner/dance will be the evening of the 28th. The cost is \$60 per person in advance (no ticket sales at door). Mail checks to WHMS Reunion c/o Judy Ramsay Oleson 32345 Hawthorn

Warren MI 48092

St. Cecilia High (Detroit)

Class of 1952
50th reunion Sept 6 7. All classmates 9th through 12th grade welcome. Contact Mary Ann Badash (734) 427 9971

St. Frederick's High School (Pontiac)

All classes
The annual reunion will take place Sunday Sept 8. Mass at 11:30 a.m. at St. Vincent De Paul Church Pontiac Luncheon at Santra Hall on Cass Lake Keego Harbor. Tickets available at the Madonna Shop in Pontiac (248) 681 3964. Contact Jim Russell at (248) 363 4209 or e mail st_freds_alumni@yahoo.com

St. Gemma Grade School

All classes from 1950 2001
Reunion for all alumni/attendees/teachers on Friday Sept 6 at 7 p.m. at Laurel Manor in Livonia. Tickets are \$50 each advance purchase only. Seeking all past students. Call St. Gemma Reunion Hotline at (734) 420 3333 for more information.

St. Mary's of Redford

Class of 1947
A 55 year reunion will take place Saturday Sept 14 at Sandtraps Idylwyld Five Mile Road Livonia \$40 plus cash bar. Call Mary Jane (Govan) Korczyk at (248) 596 1849

St. Mary's of Wayne

Class of 1952
A 50 year reunion is planned 7 p.m. Saturday Sept 14 at St. Mary's

Activities Center. Call Marcia Lawson (Keyes) at (734) 421 8477. e mail soomich123@aol.com or Carol Yazey (Kubiak) at (734) 728 3032

St. Theresa

Class of 1952
A 50 year reunion is planned on Aug 31. Please contact Jack Glaser at (248) 651 5495 for further information.

Southfield-Lathrup High School

Class of 1972
30th reunion 6:30 p.m. Saturday Oct 12 at the Skyline Club 2000 Town Center Southfield. A Sunday brunch and possible tour of the high school is planned for Oct 13. Contact Dan at (248) 788 2261 or register at SLSHS.COM

Waterford Township and Kettering

Class of 1962 reunion at the Waterford Elks on Aug 24. Call (248) 698 2541 for further information.

Westland John Glenn

Class 1972
A 30 year reunion will be held Saturday Oct 5 at Hawthorne Valley. Call Debbie Pack at (734) 326 4107

Western High School

Class of 1955 and 1956
Reunion Saturday Nov 2. Contact Miriam (Keppen) Winkler mwinkler@att.com (313) 383 3444 or Pat (Baratone) Levay (313) 381 2361. Class of 1952

A reunion being held Sept 29 at the Hellenic Center in Westland. Call Doris at (734) 340 3584 or Dianne at (734) 464 0183 for further information.

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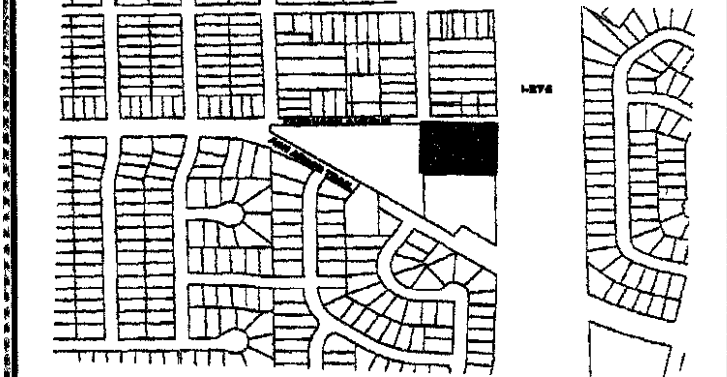
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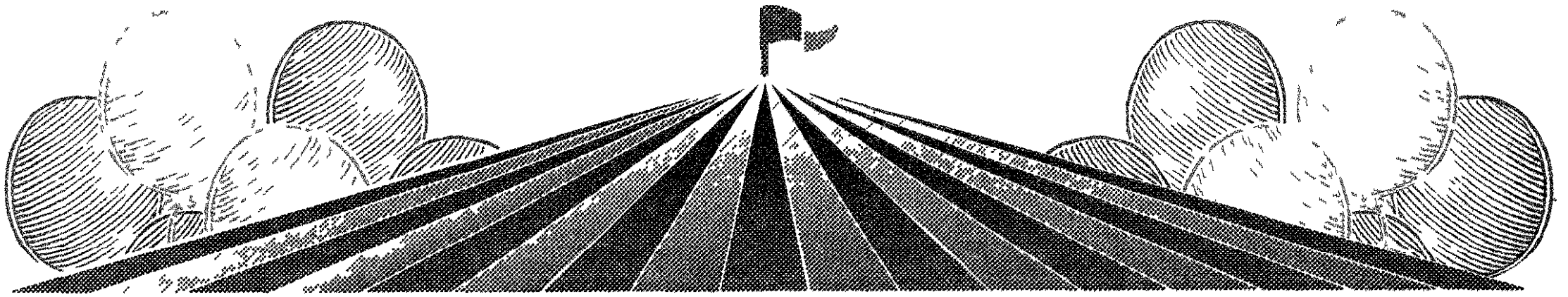
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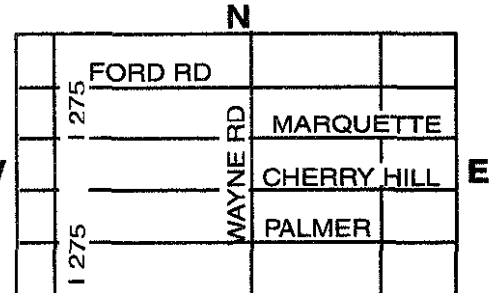


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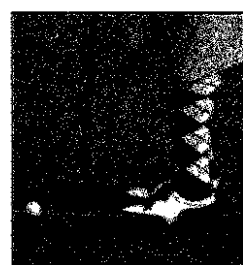
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Tomey an All-star

Eastern Michigan University right-handed pitcher Anthony Tomey (Redford Catholic Central) was named to the Central Illinois Collegiate League All-Star team as a member of the Springfield (Ill.) Rifles, which finished 29-22 and reached the semifinals of the league playoffs. Tomey, who earned honorable mention honors for CICL Pitcher of the Year, pitched 80.1 innings and was second in the CICL in strikeouts with 71. He led his team with a 5.3 record, including four complete games and a 2.03 earned run average.

Coaches hired

New Westland athletic director Ron Targosz announced the hiring of three new varsity coaches for the fall season, including Ron Ruppel (boys soccer), John Retzer (boys golf) and Randy Ferguson (girls swimming). Ruppel, longtime JV boys soccer coach, takes over for Jerry Poniatowski, who finished with a 29-85-12 record in seven seasons. Ruppel also coaches the varsity girls volleyball team at Glenn. Ferguson, a varsity assistant at Glenn, will be replacing Ron Staples, who recently stepped down. Ferguson has coached previously at Wayne Memorial and Livonia Ladywood. Retzer becomes the new boys golf coach, replacing Dan Burtka, who was named Observerland Coach of the Year in 2000. Retzer also served his first season last spring as the Glenn girls golf coach.

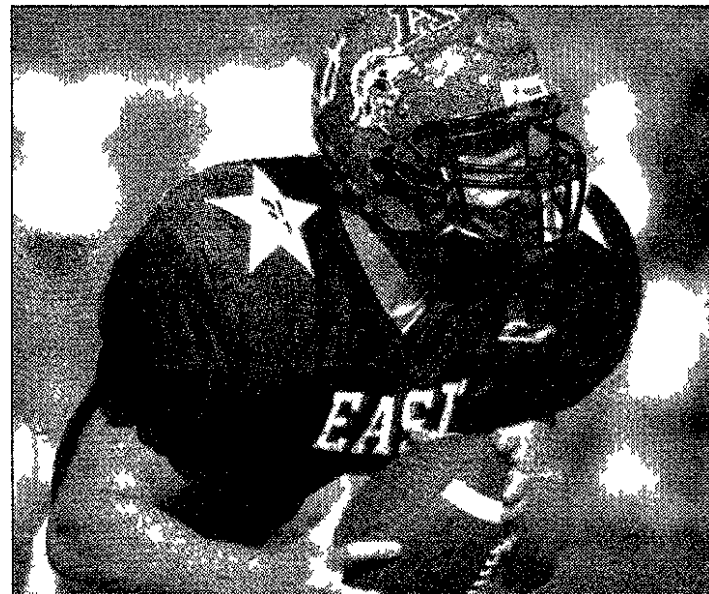
Shaw scores TD in 28-7 East win

BY DAN O'MEARA
STAFF WRITER

Ten football players from Observer & Eccentric communities went out as winners Saturday when their prep careers officially ended on a balmy August evening in Ann Arbor. All contributed in some way to the East's 28-7 victory over the West in the 22nd Annual Michigan High School All-Star Football Game at Michigan Stadium. Three of the more visible East all-stars were Farmington Harrison quarterback Drew Stanton, Livonia Clarenceville tailback Tim Shaw and Birmingham Brother Rice kicker Ross Ryan. Stanton, who started the game but shared time with Utica Eisenhower's Joe DiGiorgio, was

6-of-14 passing for 79 yards and one touchdown, and he also rushed four times for 12 yards. Those numbers, combined with his leadership and overall performance, were worthy of a possible MVP award, but such post-game honors weren't part of the deal. Wide receiver Charles Searcy (Romulus) would have been a good choice, according to Stanton. Searcy, who caught a 6-yard TD pass from Stanton, had three receptions for 43 yards and two carries for 14 yards. After a missed field goal by the West, the East opened with Stanton throwing the bomb to Searcy on the first play, although it went incomplete. A Stanton-to-Searcy TD pass was nullified by a penalty later on the same drive before they eventually connected for the first points of the game with 2:54

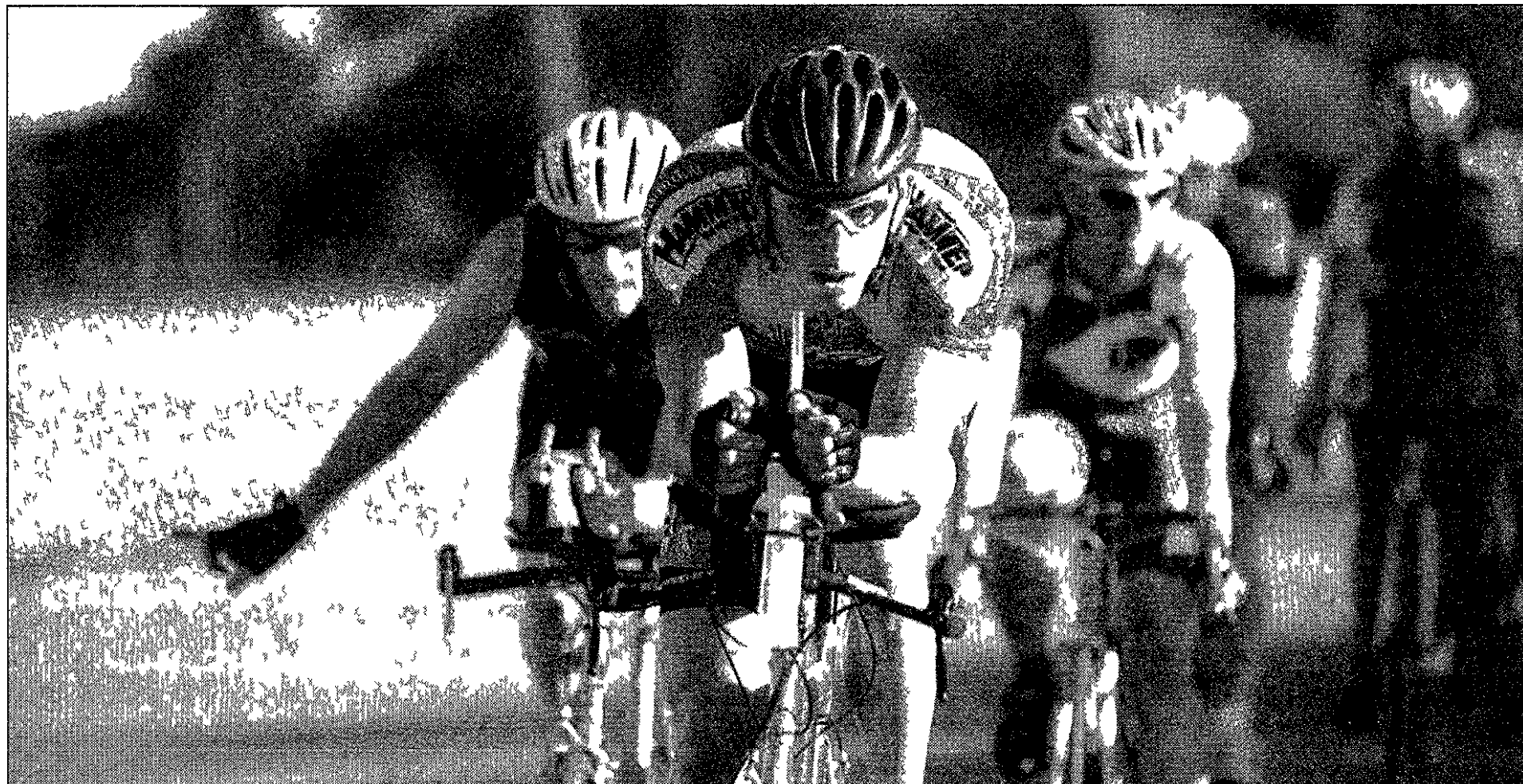
remaining in the first quarter. "On that first play, we were trying to go for it all," Stanton said. "That's a play we run at Harrison. We didn't get it, but it was a fun drive. It took up a lot of time, and it was a great start for us." Stanton's completion percentage was around 80 percent early in the game, but several passes slipped through the fingers of his receivers and the final number suffered. But the East coaches, headed by Dearborn Fordson's Jeff Stergalas, employed a wide-open attack and gave Stanton a chance to show what he could do. "I love to stand up in the shotgun and throw it," Stanton said. "The coaches allowed me to do that, and we had good enough players to be able to do it."



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Tim Shaw of Livonia Clarenceville scored a touchdown for the East and had 35 yards rushing in a 28-7 win Saturday over the West at Michigan Stadium.

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Mark Walls of Walled Lake leads the group of riders around a turn at speeds around 30 MPH. Below, Livonia Franklin grad Andre Champoux, a Ford engineer now residing in Farmington, shows the strain of a recent training ride with the EQ road racing team.



Time Trial putting cyclists on clock

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Feel the need for speed? It's not quite the Tour de France, but it may be the next best thing as area cyclists will compete this Sunday in the Hines Park Time Trial, a 20-kilometer (12-mile) race designed on out-and-back course featuring rolling terrain with mostly new pavement. The event, sanctioned by the U.S. Cycling Federation, is being

put on by Team EQ and Cycling Saddlemen of Dearborn. The Time Trial is sponsored by BikeSport of Dearborn and Red Bull Energy Drink. The Time Trial start will be at Hines Drive Parkway at the Helms Haven picnic shelter, which is located just west of Outer Drive. The route goes out to Farmington Road and back. "It's a sprint, but you also need some endurance," said Andre Champoux, a member of the

Wayne-based Team EQ, which wear the distinctive green jerseys. "This is our first year and we need about 100 participants to cover our expenses." The first rider will go off in the individual time trial at 8 a.m. Successive riders will follow at 60-second intervals. Pre-registered riders will follow day of the event. Race-day registration is from 7-8 a.m. The cost is \$25 for

PLEASE SEE CYCLE, D7

Westland golfer Zylstra takes state Publinx crown

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The Battle Creek Enquirer called it "a tainted victory." But for Westland's Bill Zylstra, he'll take the 2002 Michigan Public Links championship flight title "any way you want to slice it." Zylstra captured six straight in match-play last week at Bedford Valley Golf Course in Battle Creek. But his title run on Saturday was cut short when opponent Paul Kolton walked off and defaulted after three holes. "He (Kolton) was the best man in a wedding and he had to leave," Zylstra said. "He just got hot that week and had no idea he'd get to the finals." "It made a lot of people mad, but I understood his dilemma." The 50-year-old Zylstra, a greens crew member at Redford's Glenhurst Golf

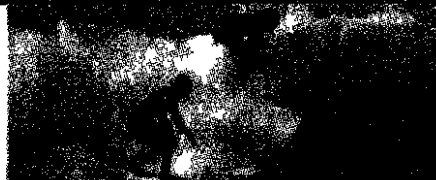
Course, had been to the Michigan Publinx semifinals four of the past five years, while being runner-up in two finals. So he wasn't apologizing for taking home the crown despite it being classified as "tainted" (Westland's Claud Johnston won the first flight). "Any time you win, it feels great," said Zylstra, who earned his greatest thrill in golf when he qualified last June for the 2002 U.S. Senior Open held in Caves Valley Golf Club in Baltimore, Md. "At my age I just tried to hit the fairways and greens and hope it's good enough. I was fortunate because I won a lot of matches 1-up. The key was being steady and I got a lot of luck." During the state Publinx, Zylstra was able to ride a cart. "That helps because if I had to walk it," Zylstra said. "I was also familiar with the course being from the west side of the

state (Grand Rapids). It's a great golf course (Bedford Valley). The back nine is as any I've played, including Caves Valley." The key match for Zylstra was when he rallied for a semifinal win. "In the semifinal my opponent was 2-up with three holes to go and I won the last three holes," he said. "He's a good, young player, but sometimes he's up and down. The first 13 or 14 holes he hit it straight, then he got a little wild. I guess you could say he threw me a bone." Zylstra has played in two U.S. Amateurs, a pair of U.S. Juniors and three U.S. Public Links, the latest in 1994. He plans to go to Senior PGA Qualifying School later this year in Orlando, Fla. He also plans to try and qualify for the U.S. Mid-Amateur later this month. But the highlight of his 2002 season

(so far) was playing in the U.S. Senior (won by Don Pooley in a dramatic five-hole playoff over Tom Watson). Zylstra shot rounds of 74 and 78 for a 152 total and missed the cut. But he walked away thankful and in awe at the opportunity to compete in the same tournament with Nicklaus, Irwin, Palmer, Floyd, Player and Trevino. "Caves Valley is a very hilly course, it was very hot, around 95 degrees," Zylstra said. "But it was unbelievable, the best tourney of any I've played in because it was first class all the way." "Everybody got a courtesy car and everything was on the house. And there's 30,000 people that come in one day to watch." "Nothing will beat that whole atmosphere because it's the seniors' most attended and watched event."

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Misiak hurls Compuware to top 10 finish

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill's Meghan Misiak proved last spring she was among the best high school girls softball pitchers in state. This summer, Misiak raised her game another notch as the ace of the Compuware 18-and-under squad, which earned a ninth-place finish among 128 teams following last week's ASA National Championships held in Rockford, Ill.

Compuware completed its summer schedule 48-10 overall with Misiak winning 42 of those games, according to manager Al Land.

"Meghan was as good as any of the pitchers we played," said Land, who is also Clarkston High's coach. "She was our workhorse and she did an outstanding job. She not only keeps teams off balance, but when she gets in a jam she can throw the ball by people."

Misiak pitched in all nine games as Compuware finished 6-3 in ASA tournament play.

She posted a 5-2 record with five complete games.

"She can throw four or five different pitches and she has an outstanding riseball," Land said. "She's a player a lot of Division I schools would want to recruit. Wayne State (Division II) is getting an excellent recruit."

Compuware split four games with powerhouse teams from California. Compuware also went 7-3 last month in the Colorado Fireworks Tournament held in Denver, which featured many of the same teams that competed in the ASA.

"I like the summer because it's real competitive," said Misiak, who was 24-3 with an 0.15 earned run average her senior year at Churchill.

"There are a lot of strong hitters, Teams are also very aggressive on the basepaths, but you don't pitch them any differently."

Misiak's catcher was Lindsey Calme, a senior-to-be this fall at Waterford Our Lady of the

Lakes.

Landsey did an outstanding job throughout the whole process," Land said. "She's a strong kid with a good arm."

The team's leading hitter was shortstop Jessica Merchant, who clubbed eight homers on the year. The Wayland native started at this season as a freshman at Michigan, which reached the College World Series.

"Jessica played for us last year and it was great thing for us when she came back because she hits with power," Land said.

Compuware also features two players from Walled Lake Western — second baseman Kristen Burgess and third baseman Laura Bell.

The pair helped the Warriors reach the final four of the Division I state girls softball tournament.

Misiak also got pitching help from Jessica Brubaker (Waterford Kettering), Kristi Marszalec (Walled Lake Central) and Beth Bush. Also on the roster was outfielder

Heather Sinawi of Farmington Hills Harrison, who did not make the trip to the ASA Nationals.

"We don't play in a league," Land said. "We play strictly all tournaments. We do a lot of traveling."

The season is now over for Compuware and Misiak. However, Misiak and Churchill teammate Sallie Kuratko, a shortstop, also participated last month in the Michigan High School Softball Coaches Association All-Star Game held at Ranney Park in Lansing.

Misiak pitched three innings and allowed one run for the East, which battled to a 1-1 draw (called after eight innings) against the West.

"I told her (Misiak) to go home and rest until school starts," said Land, whose assistant was North Farmington coach Dave Brubaker. "She's thrown a lot of innings this year. She's earned it."

Trade show's right up distributor's alley

Di Laura Brothers Bowling Supply is the largest distributor of 10-pin bowling equipment in our area. They are the principal supplier of balls, shoes, accessories and related items to most of the pro shops in the greater Detroit area.

John and Paul Di Laura are the co-owners of the company and every year they have put on a trade show for the pro shops with factory people in town to show many different product lines.

This past week was unusual. Instead of renting a couple of banquet rooms at the Holiday Inn, they outdid themselves, having set up the facility in the arena at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

This show was bigger and better than ever, as most of those involved in this industry feel that is on the upswing after a score of years showing a decline.

Lineage is up, while more and more people are taking up the sport and everyone's on a positive note.

The bowling ball reps each held a morning seminar to explain the virtues of their products and the rest of the day was spent with factory reps and others showing off all of their products.

Aleta Sill and Michelle Mullin were on hand to talk Ebonite.

Brunswick was out in full force with their new weapons including one with the Detroit Red Wings logo and another with the Stanley Cup Champs 2002 in their Vis-a-ball series.

They have two newer performance balls, the Monster Smasher and Swamp Monster.

Representatives from Hammer were on hand after the company was taken over by Ebonite. It is producing its new line including the hot new Vicious, which lives up to its name with a greater angle of entry.

Columbia 300 has its new leader, the Icon, which they say is versatile enough to excel in most lane conditions.

Meanwhile, Storm has had a lot of success with its Trauma series. Storm now brings out the Shock Trauma, again designed to perform well on a variety of lane conditions.

This company now has all kinds of accessories including watches, wrist supports, shirts and jackets with their logo imprinted.

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tions.

Another fine new ball is the Silver Streak by Roto Grip, a new top-flight product that fits in the mid-priced market.

It has the proven rotary core that was used in the Blue Retro, creating low RG and medium differential for late mid-lane read and smooth backend.

In the shoe department, Dexter and Lind were both displaying its sometimes expensive lines.

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Lovely Chris Wissinger was on hand with her Turbo 2-N-1 Power Grips, a product made in this area and used by a host of bowlers.

Vulcan Bowling Pin Co has a whole new lineup of bowling pins with glow-in-the-dark features or happy birthday clowns for those parties to give away as prizes and other novel ideas.

Mo Pinell was ever-present with his MoRich line of high performance balls including the highly successful Colossus and the brand new Pioneer, a ball with advanced technology without a premium price tag.

The Pioneer has a wedge core inside with a Gripper PR coverstock.

"The technology is so advanced, it's scary," Pinell said.

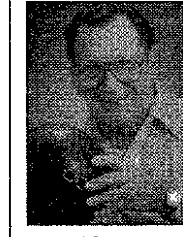
One of the highlights of the days was the appearance by Dr. Donald Fareded of Santa Barbara, Calif., who was exhibiting the Band-it and Kneed-it products, which he invented and patented and now produces for bowlers. His assortment of products helps athletes who suffer from elbow tendinitis, knee pain, sore wrist or shoulder.

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Rain denies Indians in softball final, 1-0

Mother Nature intervened in the 18-and-under softball championship game of the Waterford Annual Summer Spectacular Sunday as the Canton Indians fell to the Troy Rockets, 1-0.

Losing pitcher Stephanie Duncan struck out five in the rain-shortened game for the Indians, made up of 16-and-under players from Plymouth Canton High School.

Outfielders Erica Perkovich and Heather Spillane, along with designated hitter Melissa Cienuch, collected hits for the Indians.

But clutch defense by the Rockets, including a tag at the plate on an attempted steal from third base by Indians third sacker Sarna Gorney, helped keep the Canton team off the board.

"We have a joke on the team about not allowing Mother Nature to play our game," Indians coach Bob Smith said,

"but she messes things up for us. Well, it was no joke today."

"The coaching staff felt that we were playing well enough to come from behind and win that game."

The Indians entered Waterford Spectacular coming off a 13-5 season in the Girls Incredible Fastpitch Softball League. After losing their first five league games, the Indians captured 13 straight.

In first-round pool play, the Indians got a pair of triples from Renee Ross in a 7-2 win over Birmingham-Bloomfield United, an 18-and-under All-Star squad. Catcher Heather Richardson and shortstop Cathin McNicholas each scored two runs in the win.

The Indians followed with a 4-3 victory over the Wildstangs as first baseman Kelly Baker started a 3-run rally in the sixth inning to break a 1-1 deadlock by reaching first on error by the catcher.

In the third round, the Oakland Sidewinders from the Wixom-Commerce Lakes area came away with a 2-0 victory in a game dominated by pitching and defense. Indians second baseman Annie Rosale made all three putouts in three of the seven innings, but the Sidewinders would capitalize on a walk, single and two timely sacrifices to score two runs.

After going 2-1 in pool play, the Indians advanced to the single-elimination round on Sunday, earning a 1-0 victory as Jacqueline Perno was the hero.

The center fielder led off the seventh by getting the Indians' first hit of the game. She took second base on a sacrifice, advanced to third on a throwing error and scored the game-winning run on a fielder's choice.

Molly Conlon started on the mound for the Indians, but came out of the game after landing wrong at first base

while trying to beat out a throw from third base.

The team's other ace, Duncan, was hampered by a calf muscle injury. (Both Conlon and Duncan had pitched no-hitters the previous weekend in the USSSA state tourney.) So Ross was summoned to pitch the final five innings, holding the Wildstangs scoreless to earn the victory.

"I'm so proud of these girls, they never quit," said Smith, who coached along with Gretchen and Aaron Hudson.

"Each and every one of them played hard all summer long."

"We just kept getting better and better with each game. It doesn't matter what the final score was. As far as we were concerned, this team went out on top."

Other members of the Indians included Colleen O'Brien, Jeanette Kunze and Jamie Owens.

Strawser holds on at GAM Tournament

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Johnny Strawser burned the golf course on Monday, shooting 65 in the first round, then 68 in the second in the Golf Association of Michigan Championship at Oakhurst Golf & Country Club in Clarkston.

Tuesday was a different story for the golfer from Flushing.

The winds picked up a bit, the shots didn't fall quite so easily and his seven-stroke lead suddenly disappeared. After the third round was completed, Colby Beckstrom of Muskegon led with 212 or 4-under par, and held a one stroke lead over Andy Ruthkoski, also of Muskegon, and Russ Cunningham of Dewitt.

Strawser fell to 215 with a score of 82 on Tuesday. "The course was little bit tougher today with the wind and the greens also

firmed up a bit," Strawser said. "I pretty much played the same game as yesterday."

Eric Jorgensen of Grandville, Rob Tighe of Traverse City, Tim Katanski of Monroe and Brian Stuard of Jackson all finished at 216. Adam Walicki of Jackson and Gary Kraus of Livonia finished at 217.

Walicki, who played at the University of Detroit Mercy and Redford Catholic Central High, said he "didn't play badly," but ran into trouble on the 15th, 16th and 17th holes. "I hit two in the hazard and had a six on the 15th, then I had a double on 16 and bogeyed 17," Walicki said. "That's four over on those three holes."

Michael Cairns of Orion Township made the cut of the top 30 of 78 golfers Monday with a score of 147. On Tuesday, he shot a 77 to put him at 224.

"I just didn't hit the ball solidly," Cairns said. "I'm a little disappointed. I fell from 17th to 23rd, so I'm teeing off early tomorrow (Wednesday)."

Cairns said the winds didn't affect his game much. "It sneaks around a little bit on the fifth and sixth holes, but it didn't make any shots move any differently. Actually, my putting was much better (Tuesday) and it saved my round."

Walicki believes he needed to shoot 5-under par to even have a shot at winning. "The top players can all shoot under par, so I'll probably have to shoot that," Walicki said.

"The wind picked up here today. The pins were equally as tough, and I tended to play conservatively for a while, but my mistakes were stupid swing mistakes."

Strawser hoped for a comeback. "If I hit the ball like I can, I'll be fine," Strawser said. "I just didn't get the breaks like I did yesterday."

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Limited spots remain available for the Friends of Livonia Stevenson High School golf outing, Sunday, Aug. 25, at St. John's Golf Club. Included in the \$100 cost is dinner. For more information, call Barb Swiech at (248) 478-2395.

RUN THRU HELL

The Run Thru Hell 4.8- and 10-mile foot race, sponsored by the Pinckney Running Club, will start at 8 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, at the Hell Creek Ranch, located on Cedar Lake and Patterson Lake roads, in Pinckney. Late registration cost is \$20. Camping is also available. Trophies will go to the first six places in each male and female age group. For more information, call (734) 878-6640.

STEVENSON ALUMNI SOCCER

Livonia Stevenson invites all former boys players to participate in an alumni soccer game 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7, at the high school field. The game will start immediately after the Stevenson-Troy varsity game, which starts at 1 p.m. For more information, call Stevenson coach Lars Richters at (248) 478-6692 or Aaron Brown at (734) 422-8407.

HOLE-IN-ONE CLUB

Dave Starr of Canton used a 5-iron to ace the 164-yard, No. 23 hole Aug. 2 at Pheasant Run in Canton. Starr shot a 39 for nine holes.

John Maley of Livonia used a 9-iron to ace the 143-yard, No. 1 hole July 20 at Treetops Resort. He shot a 28 on the Threetops course.

SALEM GIRLS HOOP TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Plymouth Salem High girls basketball program will be at 9 a.m. (varsity and junior varsity) and 11 a.m. (freshman), Monday Tuesday, Aug. 12-13, at the Salem gym. Girls must have a physical in order to try out.

For more information, call the Salem athletic office at (734) 416-7774 or varsity coach Fred Thomann at (734) 484-7746.

YOUTH BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts will be held throughout the month of August for a local travel baseball club's 8-and-under and 14-and-under teams.

Coaches with experience are also wanted.

For more information, call (734) 516-3723.

Tryouts for next year's 14-year-old Livonia Travel Bulldogs will be held throughout the month of August.

For more information, call Scott Rozek at (734) 591-6935 or Gary Niemczak at (734) 464-8709.

The Michigan Wolves will be staging 11-and-under travel baseball tryouts for the 2003 season, Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 10-11, along with more dates later in August and September.

For more information, call Tim Broughton at (734) 953-0786 or Brian Bolton at (734) 464-4616.

The Michigan Indians will stage 2003 tryouts for their 10-and-under, 11-and-under and 16-and-under at Don Massey Field, located at Plymouth and Haggerty roads.

For more information, call (734) 459-0695.

Tryouts for the 2003 Waco Wolves Baseball Club will conduct tryouts for its eight-and-under and 14-and-under teams throughout the month of August. The 14-and-under squad will play a 60/70 games, including one out-of-state World Series.

The 14-and-under team is also looking for two serious coaches for its staff.

For more information, call Bill Hardin at (734) 516-3723.

The Canton Mustangs under-11 boys travel baseball team will have tryouts for the 2003 season from 10 a.m. - noon Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 25, at McClumpha Park in Canton.

For more information, call Jeff Gatt at (248) 752-7376 or email him at jgatt45@comcast.net.

The Dearborn Heights Knights travel baseball team is scheduling fall tryouts for the 2003 season. Players must be 10 or under as of Aug. 1, 2003.

To schedule a tryout call Richard Grucz at 800-949-9834.

The Livonia Lookouts members of the Little Caesars Travel League will be holding open tryouts for their 12 and under team at 3 p.m. Sunday Aug. 25, at Bicentennial Park (Diamond No. 8). Players cannot turn 13 prior to Aug. 1, 2003.

For more information, call Chip Wyer at (734) 425-1808.

ARCHERY COMPETITION

Archery enthusiasts ages 6-and-over are invited to partici-

pate in the fourth annual Shoot to Score competition, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday Aug. 24, hosted by the City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation.

The cost is \$6 per person. Pre-registration is required and class size is limited (Bring your own lunch).

The competition features a variety of targets at unmarked distances including balloons, sporting clays and the ping pong ball shot.

Prizes will be awarded to the top finalists for youth, teen and adult age groups.

For more information, call (734) 266-2410.

LEARN TO SKATE

Livonia Parks and Recreation, a member of the Ice Skating Institute, is offering a learn to skate program for various levels of instruction, including private lessons, teams and competition opportunities.

Registration for residents is from 5-7 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. for non-residents, Wednesday, Sept. 4, at the Parks and Recreation office, 33300 Civic Center Drive at City Hall.

The cost is \$48 for residents and \$64 for non-residents.

Classes are offered for eight weeks and are held for 25 minutes per session.

Classes offered include youth (ages 4 and up), 4:40-6:45 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, boys hockey skills, 6:20 p.m. Mondays, tots (age 3), 4:10 p.m. Thursdays, adults, 6:20 p.m. Thursdays.

For more information, call (734) 466-2410.

KENSINGTON CHALLENGE

The Ann Arbor Track Club will host the John Rogucki Memorial Kensington Challenge, Saturday, Sept. 14, at Kensington Metropark.

Events include the 5-kilometer run, 15K run and mile run-walk (where everyone receives a ribbon).

Five-year age-group divisions include open and clydesdale categories. If registered by Friday Sept. 6, participants will receive a T-shirt. There will also be a post-run drawing.

To register online or print out a race application visit www.aatrackclub.org.

STEVENSON FALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Livonia Stevenson High girls tennis squad will be from 8-11 a.m., Monday through Wednesday, at the school's courts. For more information, call coach Frank Dotson at (734) 523-9411 (school).

There will also be a meeting for the girls swim team from 8 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, Aug. 13, in the school's cafeteria.

Practice begins Wednesday, Aug. 14, at the school's pool. For more information, contact coach Greg Phill via email at gphill5269@aol.com.

Tryouts for boys soccer will be from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2-4 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, Aug. 12-14, at the Bicentennial Park (back field), located at Seven Mile and Wayne roads. Conditioning workouts will be 10 a.m. - noon Aug. 19, at Bicentennial. For more information, call coach Lars Richters at (248) 478-6697.

Football conditioning kicks off Wednesday, Aug. 7, at the Stevenson field. Official practice begins Monday, Aug. 12. For more information, call coach Tim Gabel at (734) 523-9436.

Practice for girls cross country will be from 8:30-10 a.m. at the Stevenson track and 4-6 p.m. at Waterford Bend (Six Mile and Northville roads), starting Monday, Aug. 12. For more information, call coach Paul Holmberg at (734) 420-2721.

Boys cross country will be from 9-11 a.m. starting Monday, Aug. 12, at the Stevenson track. For more information, call coach John Gores at (734) 523-9432 (school).

Boys golf tryouts for all incoming ninth- through 12-graders will start at 7 a.m. Thursday-Friday, Aug. 8-9 and Monday-Tuesday, Aug. 12-13, at Fox Creek, located at Seven Mile and Wayne roads. Junior rates will apply for 18 holes. For more information, call coach John Wagner at (734) 464-2990 (home) or Fox Creek at (734) 462-1811.

Freshman girls basketball tryouts will be from 8-10 a.m., Monday through Thursday, Aug. 12-15, at the new fieldhouse JV and varsity tryouts for incoming grades 10-12 will be from 10 a.m. to noon (JV) and 9-11 a.m. (varsity) at the fieldhouse. For more information, call coach Amy Rozman at (734) 523-9400 (school) or (734) 432-3177 (home).

All participants must have a physical exam dated after April 15, 2002.

HITTING CAMP

Total Baseball of Wixom will run a hitting camp (ages 7-17) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday

through Wednesday, Aug. 12-14, at 30990 Wixom Road.

Total Baseball's instructional staff included Lee Bjerke, a member of the Michigan High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

The cost is \$115 per player (\$10 discount for each additional family member).

For more information, call (248) 668-0166 or visit www.eteamz.com/totalbaseball.

FALL BASEBALL LEAGUE

Total Baseball, located at 30990 Wixom Road, Wixom, will be running its fall baseball camp starting Aug. 17-18. The league consists of a 12-game season plus playoffs for qualifying teams.

Age divisions include 7-8, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, high school (Saturday) and wood bat high school (Sunday).

The cost is \$215 per person or \$1,399 per team.

For more information, call (248) 668-0166.

WESTLAND HOCKEY NEWS

The Westland Hockey Association is hosting drop-in hockey for boys every Saturday through Aug. 24 at the Westland Sports Arena, located at 6210 Wildwood in Westland.

There will be open sessions for Adams and Mini-Mites players from 9-10 a.m., for Mites BB and Squirts from 10-11 a.m., for Pee Wees and Bantams from 11 a.m. - noon, and for Midgets from noon-1 p.m. Cost is \$10 per session and full gear is required.

Also, the WHA is hosting a Swap-and-Sell of used hockey equipment from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Aug. 17 at the Westland Sports Arena.

And finally, boys and girls interested in playing this fall are needed. Openings are available for girls in the 10-and-under, 15-and-under and 19-and-under, for boys in Mini-Mites, Mites, Squirts and Pee Wee.

For more information on any of the above, please call WHA vice president Karen Sheppard at (734) 427-2345.

CHURCHILL POM PON CLINIC

Livonia Churchill's varsity pom pon team will sponsor a pom pon workshop for girls 8

13 years old from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 24 at Churchill High School.

Participants will be taught basic moves and have the opportunity to perform the routine at halftime of Churchill's varsity soccer match on Wednesday, Sept. 4.

Cost for the workshop is \$40 and includes T-shirt, pizza, juice, water bottles, snack and pom pons. Girls are asked to wear shorts, T-shirt and tennis shoes.

For more information, call Julie McDonald at (734) 427-1198.

COACH'S CORNER OUTING

Coach's Corner will stage its first annual golf outing, a four-man scramble, Saturday, Aug. 24, at the Links of Novi.

The event will begin with a modified shotgun start at 12:20 p.m. (holes Nos. 1 and 10).

The cost is \$100 per person (includes 18 holes of golf, cart, food at the turn, prizes, steak dinner and refreshments to follow following the golf at Coach's Corner, located at Seven Mile and Farmington roads).

Reservations must be made by Friday, Aug. 16 with full payment due by Aug. 24. For more information, call (248) 615-1330.

CANTON FOOTBALL MEETING

The Canton Chiefs Booster Club will have their monthly meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14 at the Canton Public Library.

For more information, call Marie Farkas at (734) 453-6327.

SOFTBALL MINI-LEAGUES

The city of Plymouth Recreation Division will be running men's and women's fall softball Mini-Leagues.

Registration is underway for returning teams. New teams may begin registration Aug. 5. All registration will end Aug. 9 or when full.

The season starts the week of Aug. 26. Men will play on Mondays and Wednesdays, women must play on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

For more information, call (734) 455-6620 or check the web at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.



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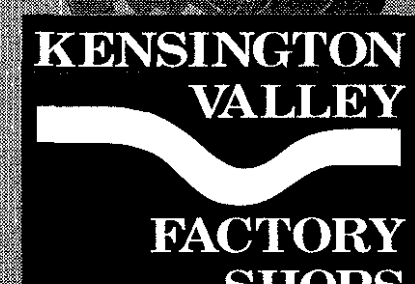
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Twisters roll up Spurrier-like 78-0 Lakeshore grid triumph

Former University of Florida Gator coach Steve Spurrier, now with the Washington Redskins, would have been proud.

Four of their 14 first-quarter plays went for touchdowns Saturday as the Michigan Twisters rolled to a 78-0 Lakeshore Football League victory over the cross-state rival Michigan Storm at Willow Run High School's Devlin Stadium.

The Twisters (4-0) led by 50 points at halftime.

Quarterback Orlando Wright was only six of 17 passing for 98 yards, but three completions went for touchdowns including a 3-yarder to Donti Hamilton, a 42-yarder to Charles Fountain (Westland) and a 13-yard strike to Jason Gibson.

Twister running backs rushed for a total of 198 yards in 23 attempts and five touchdowns. Gibson also had a 2-yard TD run.

Jaquan Wright scored two TDs, rushing four times for 46 yards. Matt Koskie rushed for 54 yards on five carries and a TD, while Surni Powell (Livonia) had 46 yards in four

rushes and one TD.

The Twisters luck return teams amassed 163 yards in five attempts led by Hamilton (two for 52), Shaun Blackmon (one for 42), DaVaughn Smith (one for 30) and Fountain (one for 39).

Defensively, the Twisters recorded four sacks and five interceptions, two returned for TDs. The Storm ran 52 plays and were held to 73 yards total offense.

Linebacker Brian Wright (Canton) had two pickoffs in the first quarter, including a 19-yard TD return. Outside linebacker Aaron Brothers (Canton) intercepted a pass in the third period and returned it 43 yards for a TD.

Other interceptions went to Blackmon, defensive end Kevin Smith and Craig Curry (Garden City).

Linebacker Kam Watson scooped up a Storm fumble and returned it 18 yards for a TD.

Koskie finished with three tackles and recovered a fumble.

Rookie Patrick Gibbons bootled all 10 extra point attempts and kept the Storm held at bay

with 12 deep kickoffs. The Storm averaged just 9 yards per return.

Special teams player John Irvine (Livonia) finished with one solo tackle and five assists for the Twisters.

The Twisters also received strong play from rookie defensive lineman Richardson Lacy (Livonia) and center Otis Smith, filling in for injured starters Percy Wright and Earl Sutton.

The Twisters travel Saturday to face the undefeated Southwest Michigan Rage. Kickoff is 7 p.m. at Battle Creek Central High School.

The following weekend the Twisters return to Devlin to take on the reigning Lakeshore champion Central Ohio Lions, which captured the 2001 title with a last-second 22-19 win over the Twisters.

"Both Percy and Earl are extremely important elements to our team's future," Twisters general manager Glenn Brothers said. "If they happen to miss the next two games against the Lions, our desire to go undefeated could be threatened."

Finesse 14-and-under softball pulls off FAST title in Florida

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
STAFF WRITER

The Finesse 14-and-under girls softball team won it all at the recent FAST Sports National Softball Championships in Ocoee, Fla.

The team, with several players from Observerland, went 6-0 in bracket play to win the national championship, outscoring its opponents 43-7 in the process.

Finesse defeated Thunder Teal (Ill.) 6-3 in the finals to capture the title. The win followed victories over the defending national champs Long Island Bandits (2-0), Miami Wildcats (10-1), Mid-Valley (Calif.) Magic (2-1), and the Thunder Teal 6-1 in the semifinals.

In the title game, Finesse jumped out to a 6-1 lead before holding on to pick up the win. Kari Seddon had three hits in the game and finished the national tournament with an amazing .750 (18-for-24) batting average. Stacey Kraatz (Howell) added two hits, while belted two hits. Lauren Delapaz (Plymouth) scored two runs to help the team win the title.

Devin Ross (Westland John Glenn) and Jessica Rayburn (Garden City) were key contributors earlier in the tournament in Finesse's tough 2-1 win over the Magic. Rayburn scored the game-winning run off a hit by Kadie Ondrus. Kraatz won four games in the tournament on the mound for Finesse, and was a key player offensively and defensively the entire way.

Coach Don Dreher said the team rode good momentum into the tournament and kept it up all the way through.

"We just got hot at the right time," he said. "The highlight of the tournament was watching the girls getting fitted for their national championship rings during the closing ceremonies. It was really neat to be a part of."

Rayburn, who will be a sophomore at Garden City in the 2003 softball season, was one of the best defensive players on the team according to Dreher. Rayburn played for the Cougars primarily as a catcher, but was a

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defensive standout all over the field for Finesse.

"Defensively, she's just awesome," Dreher said. "We played her at third base a lot, and she took away other teams' short games. We knew that California team would try to punt a lot against us, and she took it away from them." Rayburn batted .350 in the tournament with six hits in 17 plate appearances.

Ross, who will also be a sophomore next season for the Rockets, played second base and outfield in the tournament, and robbed a number of batters of extra-base hits throughout the tournament according to Dreher.

"She stole two or three big hits, which were important to our wins," he said. "She's been part of our program for a few years and has worked her way up to be a key player for us."

Tryouts for the 14-and-under 2003 team will take place on Sept. 7-8 and 14-15 at the Wayne-Ford Civic Field in Westland. There will also be tryouts for the 16-and-under and 18-and-under teams those days. Anyone interested in trying out for the team should contact Barry Patterson at (734) 487-3964.

toll, and Finesse lost in the championship game to the Bloomingdale (Ill.) Blast.

Four of the team's seven straight wins in the tourney came by 2-1 scores over teams from Illinois, Kansas, Ohio and Colorado. The closest game of the four came against the Hays (Kan.) Strikers, when the score after seven innings was 0-0. In the bottom of the eighth, Samantha Kowalczyk (Garden City, Dearborn Drive Child) tied the game 1-1 with a two-out run-scoring hit. Abby Lincoln (Birmingham Groves) pitched a gritty game for the victory, striking out 14 batters in the marathon.

After the extra-innings win, Finesse recorded wins over the Kansas Peppers (6-0), NWO Lady Irish (6-3) and the Richmond (Va.) Avalanche, 7-3 before losing in the finals.

Garden City's Lindsay Rutz was another key contributor to the tournament run for Finesse, playing strong defensive softball at third base. Lincoln won five games for Finesse in the tournament.

Rutz, Lauren Talbot (Walled Lake Western), Stephanie Sabo (Allen Park Cabrim) and Kowalczyk were named to the All-World Team after the tournament. Talbot was tabbed the outstanding defensive player at the tourney, and coach Bill Martin nabbed Coach of the Year honors.

Leigh Ann Hopkins (Lake Orion) and Alex Perrino (Clarkston, Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes) were also consistent contributors for Finesse in the tournament.

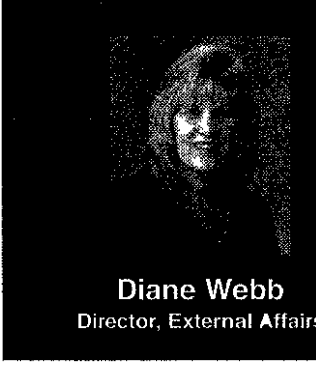
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U.S. Amateur field faces both courses at Oakland Hills C.C.

BY MARTY BUDNER
STAFF WRITER

Big Brother is rough and ready. So is Little Brother. Big Brother has the monstrous reputation, Little Brother has a pretty fearsome bite of its own.

Big Brother is poised to grab the attention, Little Brother is capable of stealing the thunder.

Big Brother and Little Brother

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On the other side of Maple Road, the unheralded North Course is 370-yards shorter, but none-the-less challenging.

Also a par-70, the Little Brother is home to the championship's longest (616-yard, par-5 fifth) and shortest (164-yard, par-3 13th) holes.

Don't take either course for granted cautions Oakland Hills Country Club's head professional Pat Crosswell.

"You have the Big Brother that's the All-American. You can be a great player, but obviously we have the All-American here with six Opens and two PGAs," says Crosswell, who earlier this week celebrated his 15th year as the club's head professional.

"Donald Ross Trent Jones Ben Hogan winning in '51. When you have all that history, it's hard to have something across the street that gets a lot of press. The South Course is

the deal.

But I always think the North Course is an awesome golf course," he says. "The North Course is rated as one of the top 20 in Michigan through the Golf Digest ratings panel maybe five, six years ago. So you have a great golf course."

USGA officials insist they will spend equal time preparing each course for championship action.

"Some of the players who will be here will have played the South Course at one time or another because it certainly has received more notoriety than the North," says Tom Meeks, USGA senior rules official in charge of prepping the courses for championship play.

Initially, the players will have to focus in on both golf courses because they have to play both of them for their total 36-hole scores, he says.

Oakland Hills club members love playing the North Course and agree it is an unknown commodity.

Renovated by Trent Jones in the late 60s, the North Course has played host to just one major tournament - the 1992 Michigan Amateur Championship won by Randy Lewis.

Other than that, the North Course is most known as a volunteer/press parking lot during Oakland Hills-hosted majors.

"In all honesty, it's the first time we're going to have (the

North Course) in what you would call USGA championship condition," explains Crosswell.

"The rough has started to grow, bordering on four-inch length right now. The greens (on the North Course) are a little more subtle, but maybe a little more difficult because you're possibly going to have a little more green speed."

"For the guys coming here it is going to be a great test. If you drive it in the fairway, you're set. There are shorter holes that are birdie holes," he says. "I think we're going to have some fun over there. It's a wonderful golf course."

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Mudcats capture July tourney

The Plymouth-Canton Mudcats, an under-13 travel baseball team, captured the Hartland Area baseball tournament, July 13-14, by winning four of five games.

Members of the Mudcats include Mike Marek, Mike Cimino, Kevin Weingrot, Alex Lumley, Brett Windecker, Mack Johnson, Jason Sharrow, Matt Saagman, Brad Way, Michael Myers, Willy Noetzel, Parker Laabs and Jeremy Henderson.

The Mudcats are coached by Paul Lumley, Keith Saagman and Ron Myers.

WHITE SOX REPEAT

The under-11 White Sox swept through the playoffs winning each game by a mercy rule to repeat as Canton Community Junior Baseball-Softball Association World Series champions.

Members of the White Sox include Dominic Ciantar, Andrew Hammerstein, James Hoover, Tyson Layman, Steve Carraallah, Chris Suppelsa, Zach DeLoy, Brandon Williams, Evan Porter, Kevin Enna, Dom Bonnell, Daniel Stoney and Craig Czajkowski.

The White Sox are coached by Matt Stoney, Jeff Williams, Jim Bonnell and Joe Czajkowski.

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Senior/Master riders and \$20 for Juniors

Senior men and women will be classified into categories 1-5 Junior age groups include 19-22, 17-18, 15-16, 13-14, 10-12, while Masters (men only) features 35-45, 45-55 and 55-and-up

The event also offers two-person team trial, which will start a half-hour following the conclusion of the race event Categories included men, women and mixed

All USCF rules apply and a USCF license is required (for an additional \$5) The race also includes mandatory wearing of helmets

Headphones are not allowed and there is no drafting (except

with a team member) Computerized timing will be used

Prizes of \$20 (first place), \$15 (second) and \$10 (third) will be awarded in the Senior/Masters men's and women's classes

Juniors will receive medals Many of the Team EQ members will be either competing or working during the time trial

The group meets for a 25-mile training ride each Wednesday at Ford Field in Dearborn

"It's a training ride, and out-and-back configuration," Champoux said

"Everybody is usually out for themselves We go down Outer Drive, down Southfield past the Ford Buildings and through Rouge Park. We hit a few traffic lights, but it's a smooth route"

ALL-STAR

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"It was fun just getting out and playing It was a nice end to my high school career and now, hopefully, it will continue in college"

Stanton said he wished Harrison teammate Agim Shabaj, an all-state wide receiver and fellow Michigan State recruit, could have played in the all-star game, too

The Michigan High School Football Coaches Association allows only one player per school to participate, however

"It would have been a lot more fun," Stanton said "We read each other perfectly We would've done what we did the last two years at Harrison"

Ryan was listed on the roster as a punter, but he had a larger role than that He did all of the kicking for the East and was on the field as much or more than many position players

Warren Cousino's Bill Koenig was supposed to do the kicking, but he wanted to play outside linebacker and conceded all the kicking duties to Ryan

"I almost kicked my leg out," Ryan said "We were doing two-a-days during the week, and I was icing my leg I was doing more kicking than I've done in my life But I guess it paid off"

Ryan had an outstanding performance, averaging 43.5 yards on six punts and 60.5 yards on four kickoffs His

longest punt traveled 56 yards and longest kickoff, some of which reached the end zone, 68 He also kicked two extra points and attempted a field goal

"My leg was bothering me a lot this week," Ryan said "I went easy (Friday), got a good night's rest last night and was on today"

Ryan, who also started at outside linebacker for the Warriors last year, would have liked to play defense, too, but was content to do all the kicking

"I didn't want to get injured either (and hurt his chances of kicking in college)," he said "It's better to be safe than sorry"

Ryan hopes his all-star performance foreshadows more good things at the U-M He reports this week to Michigan as a preferred walk-on and might be doing the same for the Wolverines in a few years

"I know there were a few coaches up in the stands, and I'm just glad I was on my game today," he said

Ryan has a good football pedigree, too His father is K C Ryan, an all-state linebacker on the great Rice teams of 1974 and '75 who later played at Notre Dame

Shaw, who was the game's leading rusher with 35 yards on 11 carries, scored the East's final TD for a 28-0 led following a Ryan PAT with 7:32 left in the fourth quarter

Shaw carried the ball on six

of the seven plays during the 27-yard drive, which followed an interception by South Lyon's Jamie Gasparella

The East coaches seemed determined to have Shaw, who scored on a fourth-and-inches play, get in the end zone

To that point, Shaw, the all-time leading rusher in state history, was a little disappointed in the degree of his contribution "You know I was," he said "It's an all-star game, and you have to take what they give you"

I think I had four carries through the third quarter I thought, 'If I get another one, I have to make the most of it,' and then I ended up getting the ball a lot more"

Shaw said it wasn't the TD, but having his number called more that gave him a greater sense of fulfillment

However, the champion sprinter with 10.8-second speed in the 100-meter dash didn't get a chance to demonstrate that ability by breaking a long run

"Everyone here can showcase something, I just didn't get the chance," Shaw said "If you don't get the chance to do it, people still know you're here for a reason People still know you can do it Some got the chance and some didn't"

Shaw, a 48-minute player for the Trojans, wasn't accustomed to playing just offense and sharing time at that

"It was strange for me, sitting out," he said "In high school, I

played offense and defense It was just different, but it was fun and we won"

DiGiorgio, who was 0-for-6 passing, scrambled for a 19-yard TD and a 13-0 halftime lead Late in the third quarter, Darnell Hood (Harper Woods Bishop Gallagher) ran 4 yards for another TD and, behind the blocking of Redford Catholic Central fullback Mike Banaszak, a two-point conversion that made it 21-0

West quarterback Joshua Brehm (Ithaca) scored on a 1-yard sneak with 2:30 remaining, and Bobby Belmonte (Grand Rapids Catholic Central) kicked the extra point

Banaszak, who often was in the same backfield with Stanton and Shaw, Plymouth Canton's Dan Kobus and Redford Bishop Borgess' Jason Smith had one carry apiece for 2 yards each

Jason Robert (Troy Athens) played the entire game at left offensive tackle Tackles Dominic Moran (Rochester Adams) and Gabriel Watson (Southfield) and Orchard Lake St. Mary's linebacker Steve Balone were part of a tough defense that limited the West to a net rushing total of 64 yards, forcing Brehm and Jared Ford (Byron Center) to combine for 161 passing yards

The East has won the last two all-star games and holds a 12-10 series edge Neither side has ever won more than two years in a row

Hall of Fame heeds call to late coach Bill Foley

The late William Foley, a former basketball coach at Redford Catholic Central and Redford Union high schools, will be among those being enshrined into the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame

The Class of 2002, including Foley, will be inducted into the hall on Sunday, Sept. 22 in the Terrace Room of the Central Michigan University Student Services Building

There will be a social hour at 12:30 p.m., followed by the banquet and awards ceremony

In addition, the MHSCA will present the Distinguished Service Award to Jerry Cvengros, former principal, coach and athletic director at Escanaba High School and assistant director of the Michigan High School Athletic Association

The Class of 2002 includes the following coaches, listed alphabetically: Edward Bellas, Allen Park High School, Donald Brown, Cranbrook High School, Jim Conley, Royal Oak Public Schools, David Hutton, Grandville High School, Mike Jolly, Warren DeLaSalle Collegiate, Rolly Krause, Lakewood High School, Wayne Melchior, Ironwood High School, Craig Morris, Sterling Heights Stevenson High School, Ron Mott, Okemos High School, Robert Rankin, Birmingham Groves, Jann Stahr, Flat Rock

High School, Frank Stucher, Berkley High School, Carl Treutler, Grand Haven High School, Pete Woods, Port Huron Northern High School

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High school football season has a unique appeal all its own

Within a week, the unofficial start of a new school year will be upon us. No, classes won't be starting this soon, but football players will report to their respective practice fields Monday morning to begin preparations for the 2002 season.



Brad Monastiere

The beginning of football season serves a breath of fresh air, not just for sports fans at all levels, but ushers in the promise and excitement of a new school year, at least on the high school and college levels.

No sport has quite the following football does. Not to say other sports aren't wonderful to watch and their participants brimming with athleticism. But what is that special something that sets football apart from all the rest? Is it the atmosphere of the games? Is it the character of the athletes? The passion of the coaches? The cheerleaders?

Although that last suggestion was made somewhat in jest, football does indeed possess something that appeals to such a broad spectrum of people. Let's take a look at the qualities football has that makes it so different from its cousins on the athletic playing field.

Teamwork. In basketball, one player can dominate a game and bring victory for his team. In baseball, the game often boils down to one batter against one hitter. In football, the running back can't go anywhere without good protection

from the offensive line. In football, the quarterback will not gain a single yard of passing unless the wide receiver catches his passes. A linebacker cannot make a sack without a hole opening up through the work of the defensive line. If a holder can't get the ball down, a kicker likely won't be able to send one through the uprights.

The point here is football's foundation is in teamwork. Eleven players, doing different but complementary jobs, all to one end. It's a sport that can humble you and make a star out of you in less time than it takes to watch an episode of "Friends."

The teamwork nature of the sport filters down to those who actually play it. More than any other sport I've covered, football players are the first to give credit to anyone and everyone else before taking it on themselves. There's an intricate code of honor with football, and one of those rules states you don't take glory for yourself, you spread it to those around you. How many stories do you hear about pro running backs buying Rolex watches for their offensive linemen after a productive season. Or quarterbacks doing the same? Yet, who is the first one to hoist a heroic running back on its shoulders after a great win? Yep, that same beefy offensive lineman.

Character builder. Anyone who's watched a practice session in the oppressive summer heat can testify to the fact that these guys work. And I mean work hard. Exercises like up-downs, Oklahoma and four corners test not just physical endurance and strength, but mental toughness. In those

drills, the ground looks so inviting to just collapse upon after a couple rounds of these. But players have no option than to complete their tasks. And do them with more energy at the end than the beginning. In order to do this, mental preparation is almost as important as physical. When you see you can finish drills like this, you get the mental belief that you can do anything on the football field. That often translates into confidence, which leads to better physical results.

All-Weather. No other sport demands the physical and mental sacrifices football does, and asks them to do it in 85-degree heat in Week 1 and snowy conditions in the first round of the playoffs.

Cross country runners come the closest, having to run unpredictable and uneven courses in all sorts of conditions. While the miles they run and endurance they possess is impressive by any standard, they don't get knocked on their

tails by a 230-pound safety running at full speed.

I have covered games where the sweat would be pouring off your body, and where you were so cold, your pen would freeze up trying to write. This was all within the same season. Anything I felt, I know the players had to be feeling it tenfold. Playing in these extreme conditions is a test to anyone's character, and these guys pass the test year after year.

Sense of Community. No other high school or college sport draws the sheer numbers of fans to games than football. We all know about the 110,000-plus that turn out to Michigan Stadium for home games and most Division I college stadiums filled with at least 50,000 every Saturday.

But high school football is the same thing, obviously on a smaller scale. When I covered the Grand Blanc at Clarkston district final in 1999, most estimates had the crowd at 10,000 people. The Plymouth Canton

at Clarkston playoff game a year later equaled that amount. That's astounding to me, to have that many people attend a high school event. Games like that bring entire towns together. Why else would signs be hung on the township hall buildings saying "Go Chiefs!"

Parents stand tense, watching their boys play. Dads remember their days of gridiron glory, and moms hope they don't get hurt. Younger brothers and sisters play their own little game in a field just beyond the fence, perhaps foreshadowing their own futures on the playing field. Older brothers and alumni gather to reminisce about days not too long gone by. Friends watch their friends compete in the ultimate competition, and talk about the various gatherings after the game.

Football brings all these things to the places in our society it touches. It's a simple game — get the ball across the other team's goal line — yet has

complexities and texture life-long coaches haven't yet fully decoded.

Football is a builder of boys and maker of men. It is a life lesson teacher, showing that like a pebble compared to a stone, alone one player can make a ripple, but together they can make a splash.

Football is about doing whatever is necessary for the greater good. On high school teams, sometimes there are as many as a dozen players who won't see one down of significant action during the season. But you won't find anyone celebrating a touchdown harder than them. That's what the essence of football is all about. It's about teammates, togetherness and many hands working towards one sculpture — a win. Let the fun begin.

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Harrison's Herrington earns national award

BY DAN O'NEARA
STAFF WRITER

John Herrington received the National Coach of the Year Award July 20 at the National Federation of State High School Associations convention in Montgomery, Ala.

Herrington begins his 41st year of coaching this month, the last 33 as varsity coach at Farmington Harrison. He has a career record of 299-58-1 and 12 state championships with the Hawks.

Herrington was chosen by the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association to be considered for the national award, and he was nominated by the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

He was first named Central Region Coach of the Year. The region includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan.

The NFSHA selected a Coach of the Year in every sport. Eight regional winners attended the national convention. Kathy McGee of Flint Powers also won the national award in girls basketball.

It's a tremendous honor when you think of all the great coaches in it, Herrington said. The honor is given for record and also longevity. It's meant to honor your career in coaching. It's not really a coach of the year thing.

"I'm extremely proud to win it and very happy about it. It's a reflection on the whole program and the coaching staff. We're all a part of it."

Herrington was named National Coach of the Year in 2000 by Students Sports magazine. He is a member of the Michigan Sports Hall of Fame and the Michigan High School Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

Herrington also was a guest of the National Football League last weekend in Canton, Ohio. He was one of 200 prep and little league coaches from across the country who were invited to participate in the NFL for Youth Football program as part of the NFL Hall of Fame ceremonies.

Harrison enters the 2002 season as a three-time defending Division III state champion with a 36-game winning streak.

The Hawks are ranked No. 9 in the Midwest (the only Michigan school in the top 15) and No. 47 nationally in the pre-season by Student Sports.

"It's nice to be ranked that high, but we have a lot of work to do," Herrington said, adding the Hawks have just one starter back on offense and two on defense.

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People looking for an apartment now may be able to find rent specials as vacancies have increased

Apartment bargains available

BY NORMAN PRADY
CORRESPONDENT

It looks as though you're blessed with an apartment-renters market these days. Unless, of course, you don't want to rent an apartment.

In times past, your choice may have been between this or that apartment complex. But today's low mortgage interest rates have added buying to the mix.

Seeing that many potential renters are buying, apartment owners are doing what they can to change minds and fill vacancies. Special offers of one kind or another are being made to induce folks to sign the lease.

"Generally, the overall apartment market is experiencing more vacancies than we've seen in a while, probably the last eight years or so," said George Nyman, president of the Apartment Association of Michigan.

The primary reason for the occupancy drop, Nyman said, "is that people are stretching to buy a house and own real estate."

"The secondary reason, I think, is that not as many people are moving into the metropolitan area, not many corporations moving people into the area any longer. We used to see more transfers. So a little downturn is hurting the market," he said.

In his own company, Professional Property Management, Nyman said he now gets fewer applications from out-of-state than times past.

"I don't find the vacancy situation really bad, but it's above where it's been for the past number of years," Nyman said.

"I've been in the apartment rental business for 29 years, and years ago you used to attribute 5 to 10 percent vacancy as pretty average. We happened to get a little spoiled over the past few years with vacancies down to one percent," he said.

At Northridge of Rochester Hills, a recent offer was two-months free rent on a 13-month lease or the same dollar savings applied over the life of the lease, effectively reducing the monthly payment.

Focus search for rental unit

If apartment life is your choice, said Connie Cook, manager of Orchards of Newburgh, Westland, be realistic about what you're seeing as you explore one complex and another.

Truly understand what your daily living needs are, Cook said, and don't be drawn in by an attractive feature you don't really need or won't use.

Ask yourself about things that might be important to you, such as laundry facilities, playground for the kids, pool, parking, landscaping and traffic.

Also, look at privacy, nearness to schools, shopping, work, the public library and other services you require.

Northridge's 530 units include one- and two-bedroom apartments, some with fireplaces.

"It's gotten very competitive in this area," said Grace Lucavoli, Northridge leasing consultant. "Offers around here are one, or two, or 2-1/2 months free rent. The market is in the renter's favor."

At Village Oaks Apartments, Farmington Hills, leasing manager Maureen Wolske said, "Right now, with the economy so soft, all complexes have some special going on for incentive."

A recent Village Oaks incentive was waiver of the security deposit on a \$590 one-bedroom or a \$685 two-bedroom in the 56-unit complex.

Connie Cook, manager at Orchards of Newburgh, Westland, said their recent special offer was based on a 13-month lease with on-time payments the first of each month at the 160-unit complex. Renters there were offered the first

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Mary Jane Berg
manager Canterbury Park Apartments

month free and \$50 off each of the next six months. "It helps cut their costs," Cook said. "We didn't have specials in the past. We were full until almost a year ago."

Franklin River, Southfield, set "memorable specials" on selected units among their 328.

Leasing consultant Karen Myers said \$775 apartments were offered at \$200 per month less for the first four months of a lease.

"Things are bad all over," said Mary Jane Berg, manager at Canterbury Park Apartments, Livonia. "Everybody's buying houses. Or moving out of state because they can't find employment here. We've never had so many vacancies. I don't like it."

Trying to turn things around, Berg's 200-unit complex offered the third month free on a 13-month lease starting at \$715 per month. "But response, she said, has been 'not good'."

During July, Eton Square, Birmingham, offered free rent for the balance of the month, said Rhonda Fazio, manager of the 158-unit complex of apartments and townhomes.

"It could be some other offer next month," Fazio said. "Business is soft, but we are getting some traffic. A lot of our residents are moving to purchase homes because interest rates are so low."

At the 153-unit Paint Creek Village, Lake Orion, manager Phyllis Thomas said a recent special offer was \$100 off the first month's rent.

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Tim 'Timbo' Phillips

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I have been inundated lately with questions and complaints from baffled borrowers searching for the mortgage world's Golden Calf.

Thousands of advertising dollars touting home loans beginning below 2 percent have paralyzed many borrowers with confusion. Some of the more curious have called these lenders about their advertised low interest rates only to find that these novelty loans come with insane multi-thousand dollar price tags attached.

I have received calls from many such wary borrowers who feel they may be getting lured into a fiscal trap. Some have even forwarded me documents from these lenders, and asked for less expensive alternatives.

The fact that so many borrowers are confused is a true tribute to their innate intelligence. When something seems too good to be true, there is usually some false to it.

Ordinarily, borrowers who qualify for conforming loans shouldn't need to pay points unless those points help "buy down" their interest rate.

Even then, these discount points are normally only a sound strategy in the long-term (or if a seller is going to pay for them) because the "break even" point on the up-front money used to discount the loan's interest rate is usually several years.

Meanwhile, adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) offer borrowers discounted interest rates in the short-term without added fees. They are discounted because they pose less of a long-term risk to the lender. After their initial discounted introductory periods, ARMs begin to vary based on a pre-determined economic index.

Most borrowers use ARMs to get great interest rates in the short-term. With few exceptions, paying down ARM interest rates further with discount points is contradictory, and rarely results in a true cost benefit to the consumer.

Keep your mortgage shopping simple and sensible.

If you are planning to be in your mortgage for a very long time, you should be thinking about a fixed-rate loan, and possibly discounting it. If you will be in your new loan for only a few years, get yourself a very nice ARM, and keep the rest of your would-be discount money for yourself.

Tim Phillips is a mortgage loan officer serving all of Michigan. You may reach him at (734) 797-5522 or via e-mail at PhillipsHQ@comcast.net. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

For the Best Home Buys in your Hometown, Check the Sunday and Thursday Real Estate Section.

HOME of The WEEK

DESIRABLE RUDGATE
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This beautiful custom built Rudgate Home is truly one of a kind. An entertainer's dream with attention to every detail. Professionally decorated in neutral tones. Beautiful crown moldings and hardwood floors throughout the first floor. Every bedroom is a suite for easy family living. An open floor plan overlooks a lovely park-like setting. This perfectly maintained home has huge storage areas as well as a three car heated garage. The location is an easy walk to Cranbrook. Make an appointment today to see this wonderful home. **\$1,750,000**

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Low rates keep housing market stable

(AP) - Mortgage rates moved higher this week, according to a nationwide survey released Thursday, after rates on 30-year mortgages dipped last week to the lowest level in 31 years of record keeping.

Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported that the average interest rate on a 30-

year fixed-rate mortgage climbed to 6.43 percent this week, up from 6.34 percent the previous week.

Last week's rate marked the lowest level on 30-year mortgages since Freddie Mac began conducting its nationwide survey in 1971. The previous low was 6.45 percent, a level

reached in early November.

A year ago this time, 30-year mortgages averaged 7 percent.

Even with this week's increases, mortgage rates are low, something that is keeping the housing market stable and leading to brisk mortgage refinancing activity, economists say.

The average interest rate on

15-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rose to 5.84 percent this week. That compared with last week's rate of 5.76 percent, which was the lowest level since Freddie Mac began tracking these rates in 1991. A year ago, 15-year mortgages averaged 6.54 percent.

On one-year adjustable-rate

mortgages, lenders were asking an average initial rate of 4.45 percent, down from 4.31 percent the previous week. Last year this time, one-year ARMs averaged 5.77 percent.

These rates do not include add-on fees known as points. Each loan type carried an average 0.6 point this week.

'As the stock market rallied this week, investors pulled some money out of Treasuries, pushing up bond yields. This resulted in slightly higher interest rates,' said Frank Nothhaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist. Market volatility, however, is making it difficult to predict where mortgage rates will head, he said.

Buy a second home for love, not money

BY DENISE L. CARINGER
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Consumers smitten with dreamy visions of lakes, mountains, oceans, rivers or rolling countryside are creating a second-home sales boom that shows no signs of waning. One study in early 2000 (by Acxiom/DataQuick for USA Today) showed that 13 percent of all home sales in 1999 were second home purchases.

Are you ready for a little R&R of your own? Here are some tips for those who haven't yet bought their own great getaway.

■ **Try out locations first.** If possible, visit a potential getaway for two or more years in a row. Camp out on that mountain site you're thinking of buying. Take home-swap vacations to check out different locales.

■ **Test your vision.** When you

and your partner close your eyes and daydream, are you seeing the same thing? Talk about your daydreams.

■ **If you are real-estate shopping in a rural area,** check out nearby towns. How far is the nearest grocery store, pharmacy, hardware store, doctor's office and gas station? Are there antiques shops, flea and farmers markets, local festivals or a library for rainy-day reading? How is the restaurant fare? The educational and cultural offerings of a nearby college or university also can be a plus if you plan to retire to your second home eventually.

■ **Evaluate the immediate neighborhood.** Research the area to be sure that your potential retreat's view, access or tranquility is secure. Ask would-be neighbors, as well as city- or county-planning offices,

about possible development or zoning changes. Ask state highway planners if any new roads might cut into the area. Look closely to see if nearby homes are well kept or not. Visit on weekends and weekdays to check out the "feel" of the place. When you're shopping, get out of the car, walk around, listen for noise pollution, and ask the neighbors what they like or don't like about the area.

■ **Buy for love, not money.** Although a second home can be a good investment, the market can be fickle, and such properties don't necessarily appreciate at the same rate as primary homes.

■ **Don't despair.** Don't assume that you're already priced out of the picture. Second homes may be obscenely pricey in the hottest mountain- or oceanside settings. The growing move toward buying

close-to-home getaways offers two major advantages - generally lower price tags and the promise of mini-vacations several times a month instead of only a few times a year.

The close-to-home cottage trend is flying more by the desire to save time than money. People no longer want to fly across the country or spend 12 hours driving to get there. Many want to be able to reach their retreat by car in three hours or less.

As you shop, be realistic about the kind of weekend retreat you are willing to make. A second home may bring no pleasure at all if you begin to dread a long drive every Friday and Sunday evening.

For more information see *Better Homes and Gardens Second Home Finding Your Place in the Fun*, (Meredith Books \$34.95).

MOVERS & SHAKERS

This column highlights promotions, transfers, hirings, awards won and other news within the real estate construction, architecture and mortgage communities. Send a brief summary, including town of residency and black and white photo to: Real Estate Movers and Shakers, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150. Our fax number is (734) 591-7279.

Two real estate professionals with local connections - **Joseph Banyai**, Signature Associates/ONCOR International, Southfield, and **Matthew Kopmeyer**, Bingham Farms - have joined the state's Commercial Board of Realtors.

Dana Tapper, a Realtor with Century 21 Town Pride in Westland, has acquired the

company's designation of **Mature/Moves Specialist**. The designation denotes experience assisting home sellers and buyers approximately 60 to 70 years of age with their next relocation.

Colliers International, a commercial real estate firm in Bingham Farms, recently helped expedite two large leas-

es for warehouse space in Livonia's Plymouth Road Technical Center. CLM Pallet Recycling leased just over 77,000 square feet, PSA Quality Systems, 58,500 square feet. Collier's **Gary Glotzhofer**, **Ralph Steinbrink** and **Larry Kelly** represented landlord Ashley Capital in the transactions.

SUPERIOR TWP | Country living & only 1.5 mi. W of New Cherry Hill Village. Updates abound in this exceptional colonial w/3,000 sq. ft., 2 1/2 baths, spacious updated kitchen, oak cabinets, 1st flr MBR, main bath w/jet tub, 1st flr laundry, poss in-law qtrs, three car garage, 92 acres. Many updates. \$309,875.

DEARBORN HGTS | Rambling ranch w/W/O LL overlooking Ed Hines Park on estate-size lot. Approximately 2,800 sq. ft. of living area. Total new kitchen (01), three bedrooms, two baths, formal living & dining room, library, family room w/fireplace & wet bar. Many other updates. \$284,900.

PLYMOUTH | Updates abound in this 1,500 sq. ft. home. Four bedrooms, two full baths, recently renovated & restored to original charm & character. Living room w/new fireplace, hardwood floors, new carpeting. Three season finished porch. \$259,400.

WESTLAND | 1,350 sq. ft. ranch w/professionally done oversized 1st floor addition & new kitchen in '00. Three bedrooms, two baths, jet tub, newer carpeting, hardwood floors, newer furnace, air conditioning. Windows, full basement, two car garage. \$172,800.

WESTLAND | 1997 Colonial. Approximately 2,100 sq. ft., four bedrooms, 2 1/2 full baths, master suite w/bath, formal living & dining rooms, family room, 1st floor laundry, carpeting & paint (07/02). Full basement, two car attached garage. Move-in condition. \$239,800.

LIVONIA | Cape Cod on large lot, 1,600 sq. ft., four bedrooms, two baths, master bedroom w/bath, family room w/fireplace, first floor laundry, two car garage, deck, newer windows, entry doors, roof & vinyl. \$184,900.

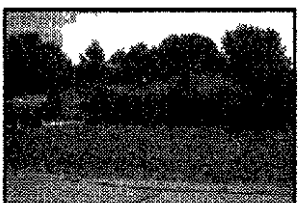
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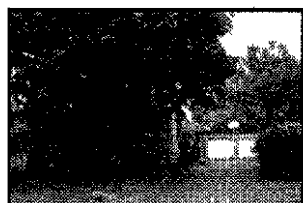
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BEAUTIFUL WESTLAND CONDO - In much sought after Castlewood features an open floor plan w/vaulted ceilings and neutral decor. Two large bedrooms, each w/its own bath. Huge walk in closet in master. Oak cabinets in kitchen. Low association fees, clubhouse, pool and garage. Built in 1943. \$134,900 (775CA)



LIVONIA RANCH ON 2/3 ACRE - Large attractive ranch on 2/3 acre lot. Incredible yard for kids, pets or entertaining. Updated kitchen, newer windows. Quiet tree lined street, super neighborhood. See it today! \$197,000 (894FO)



HUGE COUNTRY LOT - A must see designer home with 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car garage & finished basement w/full kitchen. Tons of updates. Anderson windows, totally remodeled kitchen & bath & so much more!! \$168,900 (615HE)



PREMIER NEIGHBORHOOD FEATURING RELAXATION - De stress here w/maintenance free ranch condo w/2 BDRs, 2 BAs & spectacular location. Enjoy soaring ceiling, GR w/gas fl & 1st floor den. Kit w/sun filled brkfst nook, oak cabinets & all appl. 1st flr laundry, MSTR w/fashion BA, jetted tub and WIC. Wood deck. \$319,900 (711VI)



PRIME REDFORD - Beautiful 3 bedroom brick ranch, almost 1,200 sq. ft. charming fireplace in cozy living room w/bow windows, huge lot, remodeled kitchen, finished basement, 2 car garage, fast occupancy. \$159,900 (153NO)



LOOKING FOR UPDATES? - This home has them. Updates include Kimberly Sub, this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, colonial offers family room w/fireplace, 25x13 sunroom, 1st floor laundry, master suite w/WIC and a 2 car attached garage. Great potential! \$254,900 (371WI)



WOODED LOT - Located in This home has them. Updates include Kimberly Sub, this 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, colonial offers family room w/fireplace, 25x13 sunroom, 1st floor laundry, master suite w/WIC and a 2 car attached garage. Great potential! \$254,900 (371WI)



PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP - Nice 3 bedroom colonial on large lot. Newer windows, oak cabinets in kitchen, Elementary school in sub and walking distance to Miller Park. \$215,000 (133CH)



CANTON COLONIAL - Stonegate sub, 1,600 sq. ft., 3 bedroom colonial. Spacious living room w/natural fireplace & doorway to fenced yard w/large above ground pool. Carpet allowance \$1,000. C/A vinyl windows, wet bar & all appliances. \$199,900 (364GL)



LIVONIA RANCH CONDO - Super clean 2 bedroom, 2 full bath features include open floor plan, great room w/fireplace & skylights, private deck, full basement, pass through kitchen & 2 car garage. \$189,900 (192ME)



SPECTACULAR SETTING - For this 4 bedroom ranch on a private court. Home has a remodeled kitchen w/all appliances, new carpet in most rooms, freshly painted, great family room, living room, formal dining room & magnificent year round heated cedar pool room w/in ground gran pool, bath, spa & 3-car garage. \$475,000 (455CO)



CHARMING CAPE COD - Located in quaint City of South Lyon, this home offers many updates, beautiful new kitchen, updated bath, new roof & gutters, updated electrical, glass block windows in basement and much more! \$189,900 (118RE)



GREAT OPPORTUNITY - Great 5 bedroom, 2 bath home on wooded lot. Zoned off used as residence or business or both. Updated second story. New windows, Home warranty too. Great location. \$120,000 (127 Syracuse)



GREAT OPPORTUNITY - Care free living in maintenance free bungalow. Three bedrooms, patio, fenced backyard, updates include vinyl siding & windows, roof, entry doors, updated electrical and more. Central air. \$115,000 (453WI)



UPDATED BRICK RANCH - Very well maintained 3 bedroom, 2 full bath brick ranch boasting super sized living room w/natural fireplace, wet plaster walls & newer carpet. Open kitchen w/room for dining. Finished basement w/full bath, rec room & newer Berber carpeting. Updates landscaping, fenced yard, roof, furnace & C/A. \$164,900 (349FE)



WOW! UPDATED PLYMOUTH TRI-LEVEL - This tastefully decorated & updated home is worth seeing. Updates include kitchen, baths, family room, windows, flooring & more. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths. Florida room, large fenced yard, 1 1/2 car garage. Excellent location & 1 year home warranty. \$195,500 (935HA)



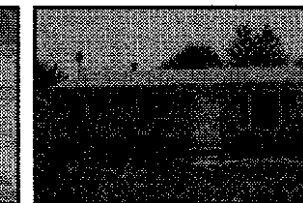
BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED - Bay windows in entry & loft area. Oak kitchen includes appliances, spacious master suite w/walk in closet and bath. 2nd bedroom has its own bath, great deck, full basement and 1st floor laundry. \$183,000 (482ME)



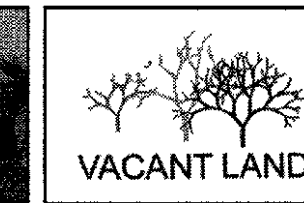
CLASSIC ELEGANCE - This beautiful detached condo in Plymouth Twp. Has a wonderful traditional floor plan with formal living & dining room, family room w/fireplace, spacious master w/tray ceilings, kitchen w/upgraded cabinets & island and a finished basement for added living space. Love at first sight! \$399,900 (040SA)



PERFECT LOCATION - Charming 2 story condo in a great location! Backs up to wooded nature preserve area. Kitchen has open views to woods, oak cabinets & plenty of counter space. Prestigious Livonia schools. Close to shopping center. \$158,900 (854RI)



JOY OF OWNERSHIP - Darling 3 bedroom ranch offers newer flooring, neutral decor, oak kitchen with eating area, newer siding, gutters & roof shingles, partially finished basement and 2 car garage. Call today. \$123,000 (440WA)



10+ ACRES SUPERIOR TWP. - Country setting with paved road access & room for horses or build that pole barn to store your antique & classic cars. Executive homes close to Ann Arbor with great freeway access. Well septic & gas. Many recreational, cultural, private schools nearby. Call today for details. \$195,000 (033HU)



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Consider storage options before building your home

BY HOMESTORE PLANS AND PUBLICATIONS FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

As families grow so do their possessions. One of the main concerns of all new-home builders - especially 'move-up' builders - is storage options.

Even the largest homes can sometimes fall short in the places-to-put-stuff category. Typical closets can hold only so many board games and coats.

To ensure you'll have plenty of storage space for decades, start at the beginning - before your home is built. Carefully examine blueprints for opportunities and inspiration. Search out nooks and crannies - voids that can be used to your advantage and that will maximize

square footage. Small storage spaces can be created beneath stairways or try a built-in desk, a pantry or a mail center.

Odd rooflines and the framing around dormer windows can be used for drawers, closets or bookshelves. Use the wasted spots. Finish your attic to create a splendid spot for suitcases, camping gear and holiday decorations. Tuck drawers into window seats. Place shelving where you might least expect it - under a window, alongside a rise of stairs-to display your most treasured belongings.

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CREW MEETING

The Detroit Chapter of Commercial Real Estate Women will tour the new home of the Detroit Lions, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14. Ford Field is at 2000 Brush St., just south of I-75, three block east of Woodward Avenue, behind Comerica Park.

The cost which includes light hors d'oeuvres and beverages, is \$35 for members, \$45 for non-members. To register, call Temile Caprez at (785) 832-1808.

BUY HOME CLASS

Flagstar Bank and RE/MAX present a free, no-obligation class on how to buy a house 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, at Westminster Title, 39000 High Pointe Blvd. (off Haggerty between Eight and Nine Mile Roads), Suite 140, Novi. To register, call Vicki at (248) 348-3000, Ext. 253.

MINI BUILDER EXPO

The Women's Council of Realtors offers a mini builder expo noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15, at the Western Wayne Oakland County Association of Realtors office, 24125 Drake,

Farmington

Realtors are invited to bring new construction clients to check out inventory.

The cost, which includes lunch, is \$15. To register, call Lucille Schirmer at (734) 455-5600 or fax at (734), 455-6721.

FACILITY MANAGERS

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the International Facilities Management Association hosts a tour of the new Ford Motor Conference and Events Center across from the Henry Ford Museum in Dearborn 5:15 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 15.

Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served throughout the program.

Cost is \$25 for members, \$35 for non-members. To register, call (248) 988-0606.

GOLF OUTING

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan sponsors its West Oakland/Wayne County golf outing starting at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 21, at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N. Territorial, Plymouth.

Cost, which includes golf cart, lunch, refreshments and dinner, is \$135. To register, call (248) 862-1033.

RIVER CRUISE

The Apartment Association of Michigan's property management council offers a Detroit River cruise 6:15-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22. Board at Stroh's River Place dock, 100 River Place Drive, Detroit.

The cost, which includes appetizers, is \$35 for members, \$40 for non-members. To register, call (248) 862-1004.

BUY HOME CLASS II

Juliette Bauman, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Livonia, and Colonial Mortgage will present a free class for home buyers 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 22, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile Road, east of Farmington Road, Livonia. To register, call Bauman at (734) 779-9977.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The western Wayne affiliate of Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers to help with building homes, office duties and fundraising. No experience needed. Training will be provided. For details, call (734) 459-7744.

FAIR HOUSING CENTER

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit, a non-profit monitoring, testing, and information organization, always needs supporters. Basic annual individual membership is \$15, basic family membership \$25 and basic organizational membership \$50. For information, call the center, (313) 963-1274.

ENERGY CD-ROM

The Building Owners and Managers International has released a CD-ROM, "The Property Professional's Guide to Building Energy Performance."

Cost is \$15 for BOMA members, \$25 for nonmembers. To purchase or obtain more information, call (800) 426-6292, or visit the Web at www.boma.org/pubs/energy_cd.htm

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.

PLAYGROUND SAFETY

A book available from the Community Associations Institute can help community association managers and board members ensure that their playgrounds and tot lots are as safe as possible. Detailed information is provided on safety inspections and implementing an effective maintenance plan. "Playgrounds for Young Children" is available for \$40 by calling (703) 548-8600 or ordering through www.caonline.org.

SALES WEB SITE

Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood? Steve Wiese of Southeastern Appraisal Corp. in Farmington Hills has updated maps on a community-by-community basis with that information on the Internet. And it's free. Just dial up www.homeval-uemap.com.



LIVONIA This home has been completely painted in & out! Four bedroom 2 1/2 bath Colonial has new carpet in living dining stairs & upper hall. New foyer hall 1/2 bath & laundry room. The 40 Gunite pool is open. Vaulted ceilings in family room den could be first floor bedroom & the 9 s a screened Florida room. Home warranty included. \$229,900 (D7450U)



REDFORD One of the few newer homes in North Redford built in 98. Three bedroom Bungalow with great curb appeal. Ceramic kitchen & baths. 2 full baths include master 2 walk in closets in master gas fireplace in living room. Barber carpet throughout. door wall of entrance to back yard. Finished basement. Appliances stay. \$149,900 (D82DEW)



LIVONIA Clean 3 bedroom Ranch painted refinished hardwood floors throughout. Updated bathroom with new tub & wall liner. nice sized living room & new large picture window. Kitchen has new floor & painted cupboards. Laundry room & den. Extra & updates heating electrical & plumbing. 2 car garage fenced yard new windows window AC new storm doors on front & back. \$128,900 (L49ANT)



PLYMOUTH This statey 4 bedroom 3/2 bath home offers wood floors in kitchen foyer hall & powder room. A lot of crown molding enhances your decor. Upgraded maple cabinets granite counters. GE double oven microwave dishwasher & cook top. Master suite with whirlpool tub & spacious walk in closets. First floor library offers French doors with transom. \$469,900 (L91WIL)



LIVONIA This 4 bedroom 2 story home makes amazing use of the space available. flowing rooms & a lot of perks. Family room boasts a fireplace. A lot of hardwood throughout. newer windows carpet Carrier furnace 93% efficient Maytag dishwasher kitchen floor tiles Lennox AC roof & gutters. \$245,900 (L40FIV)



CANTON Over 1500 square feet in this brick 6 year old Colonial home featuring 3 bedrooms & 2 1/2 baths. Located at the end of street in quiet neighborhood. Nestled away near Sheldon & Ford. Large eat in kitchen. first floor laundry. generous storage throughout & clean basement ready for you to enjoy! Double lot perennial landscaping. \$218,000 (L20BRO)



REDFORD Charming clean & cute as can be! Wonderful 2 bedroom Bungalow on double lot. Country setting is waiting for you. Lot is perfect for expanding or possible split. Deck is prepped for hot tub. All mechanicals newer. Remodeled kitchen with ceramic. Remodeled bath. master holds CA king size bed. 14x12 FR. basement for laundry & storage. \$114,000 (L84POI)

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Don't overload electrical circuits


BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

If every time you turn on the bedroom lamp and the air conditioner at the same time

you fry a fuse or pop a breaker, your house is trying to tell you something. And that is "don't overload circuits over and over and over again. Doing so - slowly, but

surely - will fatigue the wire inside the wall. You might eventually end up with a dangerous condition. Find out how many watts each of your circuits will hold and don't exceed the limit. Following this simple rule will add longevity to your electrical system and create safer conditions for you and yours.

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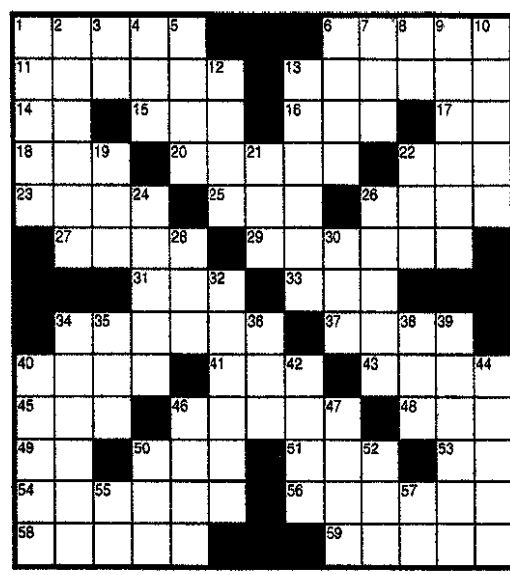
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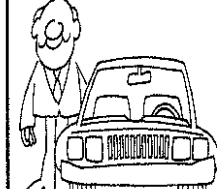
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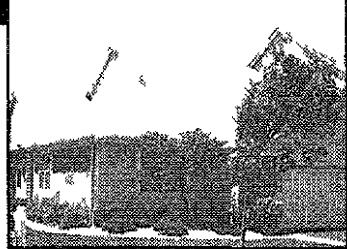
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SUPERIOR - Attractive Colonial! 3 bed room 1.5 bath You must see to appreciate this home in quiet Oakbrook Sub Close to schools & parks finished basement 2 car garage many updates & fresh paint \$174 500 (04MAN) 734 455 5600



CANTON - On the 11th Fa rway! 2 bed room 2 bath end unit w/a view of the woods Ceramic in foyer & hall! Open kitchen w/appliances fireplace in living room master suite w/cathedral ceiling jet tub & separate shower extra deep basement \$279 900 (22TH) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND Super Updated Colonial 3 bedroom 1.5 bath home with newer kitchen windows doors & baths Finished basement with glass block windows \$169 900 (61WIL) 248 349 5600



GREEN OAK Picturesque Wooded Lot Approx 1 acre w/4 spacious BRs 3.5 BA's & custom T/O Private deck off master ste 2 story GR with frpic Finished W/O basement Extensive landscaping with lighting \$499 900 (61SIL) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE Northville Retreat Set high on hill w/large wooded lot this custom cape cod has 3 BR 2 BA w/crown moulding wainscoting hardwood 1st floor master 4 season sunroom break fast bar & brick patio overlooking garden setting 2.5 car garage \$424 900 (15FON) 248 349 5600



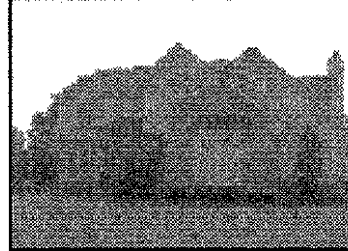
DEARBORN HGTS - Immaculate Super Clean! 3 BR bungalow C/A 2 car garage updated kitchen beautiful hwdw flrs large mstr BR newer Berber carpet freshly painted sliding doorwall off back Pergo floor in kitchen \$129 900 (73AND) 734 455 5600



LIVONIA - Kimberly Oaks Sub! 3 bed room 2 bath Tr Level Well maintained family room w/fireplace hardwood floors in bedrooms 2 car attached garage w/breezeway Livonia Schools! \$219 634 (03MID) 734 455 5600



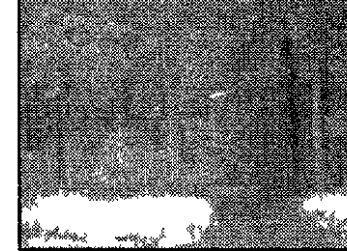
CANTON - Woods Pond & Peaceful! 3 bedrooms 2 baths Don't miss this updated and exquisite ranch! Newer roof C/A siding & water heater All of this on a 1.3 acre lot overlooking pond stream & woods! \$284 900 (34THO) 734 455 5600



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WIXOM Picture Perfect all brick ranch located on a corner lot Cherry island kitchen hardwood flooring newer appliances all stay Three huge bedrooms & family room w/gas fireplace \$209 900 (35SHE) 248 349 5600



FARMINGTON HILLS Custom Built Super 4 BR 3 BA contemporary styled home on gorgeous wooded lot Northville mailing Updated kit & baths Unbelievable storage Wood floors DR & FR Fieldstone frpic and a view from every window \$314 900 (51NOR) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Rosedale Gardens Ranch! 3 BR bsmt garage newer windows thru out! Glass block basement windows furnace C/A in 99 copper plumbing hardwood floors wet plaster walls well maintained appliances included! \$159 900 (26BRC) 734 455 5600



MILFORD - Step Up & Take A Look! 3 bedroom 2 bath newer raised ranch home! Beautiful hardwood floors in entry great room hall & dining room Freshly painted & newer carpeting appliances stay! Oak trim throughout & oversized 2 car garage! \$199 900 (55MIL) 734-455 5600



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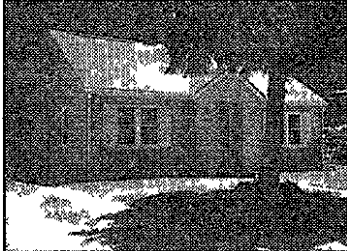
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SOUTH LYON Newer Custom Home Tanglewood Golf Community Boasts 4 BR 3 full BA & 2 half BA cape cod Many upgrades include arched door ways & architectural windows Full walk out basement 3 car side entry garage Wooded \$599 900 (84POI) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON Spectacular Custom Home Builders own home 4 spacious bedrooms 4 baths & 2 staircases Custom T/O w/cherry wood marble & granite Golf course frontage w/beautiful views Bonus room w/closet completely finished \$776 900 (58STA) 248 349 5600



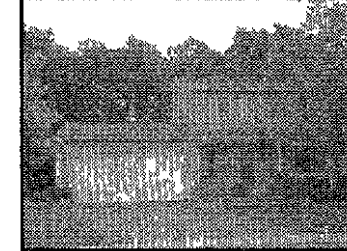
LIVONIA - Great Home! Great Price! 3 BR 1.5 BA Just look at all the updates! Siding roof gutters kitchen doorwall carpet windows & freshly painted in 2002! Appraised at \$115 000 prior to updates Great Buy! \$109 900 (60DEE) 734 455 5600



CANTON Immaculate Canton Ranch! 3 bedroom 2 bath Ranch w/inground pool Updates include windows kitchen & bathrooms Neutral decor fireplace central air & finished basement Plymouth Canton Schools \$172 500 (00OLD) 734 455 5600



NOVI Novi Schools Colonial 4 bed room 3 bath with large neutral rooms T/O LR DR FR w/frpic Den w/bath Bow window 2 pantries in kitchen Wood floors neutral carpet FFL Fully landscaped with sprinklers Deck C/A & 3 car side entry garage \$458 000 (56KIM) 248 349 5600



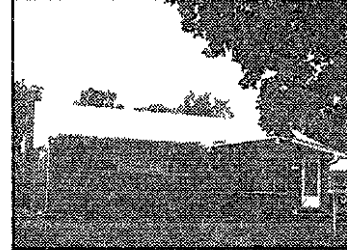
SOUTH LYON Turn Key Beautifully appointed 3 BR colonial in a cul de sac setting Newer carpeting & kitchen floor Enjoy the privacy of your wooded backyard in a 6 person hot tub alongside a brick paver patio Newly finished basement \$220 000 (80EAG) 248 349 5600



PLYMOUTH - Begs to Entertain! 2 bed room 2.5 bath Condo w/large living room kitchen & dining room fit for the entertaining type! Lower level family room w/outside entrance to garage \$182 900 (65DRA) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Fantastic! 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch w/rec room & Florida room! Country kitchen private & wooded backyard 2 car detached garage walk to private & pub schools \$134 900 (19PAR) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - Lots to offer! 3 bedroom 2.5 brick ranch on tree lined street Updates include roof furnace C/A water heater vinyl windows bath & large eat in kitchen w/oak cabinets finished basement w/full bath 2.5 car garage \$149 999 (31VAN) 734 455 5600



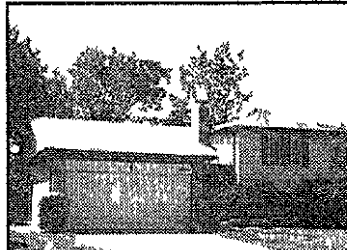
NOVI Lyon Commons Built in 1995 Well maintained 3 BR 2.5 BA colonial w/GR w/frpic Formal DR & large eat in kit Partially finished basement 2 car attached garage Large lot backs to woods Move in condition \$244 900 (63APP) 248 349-5600



COMMERCE Beautiful Access to Private Beach 3 BR ranch w/2 full baths Large FR w/cathedral ceiling open to kitchen w/snack bar & built in desk Living room basement & 2 car attached garage Roof and well new too Lake & privileges \$174 900 (35ELL) 248 349 5600



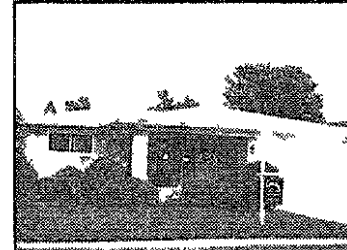
NOVI Immaculate & Sharp open con temporary floor plan w/columns arches Poatium windows & soaring ceilings in LR MB suite w/bay window deck & sitting area Large deck w/screened room plus approx 1.6 acres Daylite basement Framed & ready to finish \$535 000 (30THO) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Quiet Park like Setting! 3 bedroom 2 bath Quad beautifully updated 2 rear doorwalls face private wooded lot Open flowing floor plan w/formal dining room partially finished rec room fireplace in 19x17 family room 2 car attached garage \$219 900 (60HAR) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - Fantastic Upper Level Condo! 2 bedroom 2 bath Open & flowing floor plan Vaulted ceilings 2 skylights doorwall off living room faces woods neutral carpet appliances Andersen windows One dog or cat allowed! \$114 900 (96SHO) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Ultra Clean! 3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch w/living room family room w/replace large kitchen w/fire place large kitchen w/oak cabinets newer windows newer roof newer gutters deck & patio Partially finished basement 1st floor laundry 2 car garage \$229 000 (82WED) 734 455 5600



CANTON Super Colonial Bright & clean 3 BR home w/newer carpet T/O Freshly painted Very private fenced yard that backs to Commons First floor laundry Oak floor in kitchen Patio All appliances stay \$229 900 (10SAN) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE Best of Both Worlds Historic home w/all the updates 4 spacious BRs & lots of closet space Lovely wooded lot w/oak kitchen & 2.5 baths Quant study finished W/O LL offers FR w/natural fireplace Enjoy the walk to town \$269 900 (38CEN) 248 349 5600



FARMINGTON HILLS A Lot of Room to Roam Beautifully maintained 3 BR brick ranch on a large lot Above ground pool 2+ att gar newer roof updated Oak cabinets wet plaster formal DR Large patio extra parking pad For rec vehicles fenced yard Original owners \$159 900 (13WHI) 248 349-5600



DEARBORN - Beautifully Updated Home! 3 bedroom 1.5 bath bright & cherry updated kitchen plush neutral carpet new roof furnace C/A & copper plumbing finished basement w/kitchen area & half bath 2 car garage \$124 900 (50HEL) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Canton Gem! On a quiet street Just Turn the Key! Beautifully maintained home Newer hot water heater Heil furnace electric air filter & humidifier Newer custom countertops newer carpet \$178 900 (40STA) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Many Updates! 3 bed rooms 1.5 baths Newer hardwood foyer Berber carpet in living room stairs & bedroom Newer roof siding C/A & windows Kitchen w/updated cabinets counters family room w/fireplace w/brick hearth deck \$205 000 (16WIN) 734 455 5600



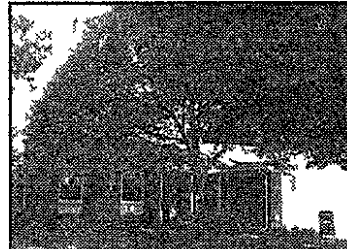
CANTON Condo Living Open floor plan offers spacious LR Open kitchen & dining room 3 BR 1.5 BA w/partially finished basement Great location w/Plymouth Canton schools Private entry \$134 900 (16NEW) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON RANCH CONDO Fresh paint carpet & more in end unit w/attached garage & Florida room Enjoy clubhouse and beach on Crooked Lake 55+ community \$94 900 (44ARL) 248 349 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS 3 bedroom brick ranch on a corner lot 2 car garage Hardwood floors in living room and bedrooms Newer furnace 02 Finished basement \$139 900 (08BRO) 248 349 5600



PLYMOUTH - Meticulous! 3 bedroom 1.5 bath Ranch Private treed lot w/deck & perennial gardens kitchens kitchen updated w/cabs & counter family room w/fireplace hardwood Pergo floor designer bath w/ceramic tile lighting & fixtures \$239 800 (31LAK) 734 455 5600



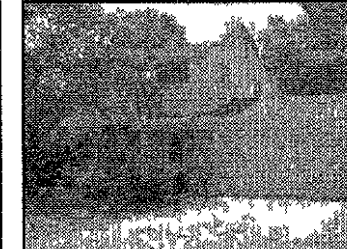
LIVONIA - Don't Miss The One! 4 bed room 2 bath brick cape cod located on a large lot in Livonia w/Livonia Schools! Family room w/fireplace library & loft Oversized laundry room newer baths windows electrical siding & roof! \$184 900 (97SUN) 734 455 5600



REDFORD - White Picket Fence! Updated bungalow in great neighborhood Custom decorating touches thru out make this home truly unique Updates windows copper plumbing tear off roof glass block windows \$122 250 (24WOD) 734 455 5600



NOVI Country Living in City Custom built cape cod 5 BRs w/a master BR on FF end full daylight bsmt 3.5 car gar on over an acre size lot Enjoy covered porch in summer Northville mailing and schools Home sets on 2 separate lots \$539 900 (14WYN) 248 349 5600



FARMINGTON HILLS Nice Corner Lot for this 3 BR 1.5 BA colonial Newer roof furnace & A/O Updated electrical 99 Roof top solar collectors help w/winter heating bills 2 car attached garage w/newer opener \$169 900 (37WHE) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE Outstanding House & Lot 4 BR 2+ 2 BA home located on a prime approx 87 acre treed lot across from Meadowbrook Country Club MBR/BA w/WIC FR w/frpic & W/O to patio Newer neu decor T/O 3.5 car gar \$379 900 (41FAI) 248 349 5600

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NORTHVILLE \$1,250,000
MAGNIFICENT CUSTOM HOME IN FOX HOLLOW! 4 BR 3 1/2 baths cherry hwd flrs & granite counters 12 x 12 entertainment/bar area off GR Main fir BR w/private bth perfect for guest/in-laws & 2 staircases (01FOX2)

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NORTHVILLE \$849,900
NORTHVILLE HILLS GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY! Absolutely gorgeous home w/custom upgrades t/o! Dual staircase pillared GR fabulous gourmet kitchen nearly 4 200 SF of luxury! Quiet court location! (87MER2)

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NORTHVILLE \$629,900
GORGEOUS NEW HOME On the prestigious Arnold Palmer golf course First floor mstr suite w/cozy frpl Designer kit w/granite counter tops Deep walk out bsmt w/extra windows (23B15444)

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CANTON \$368,900
NEO - CLASSIC COLONIAL All the space you need and it's where you need it! 2,805 sq ft of wonderful almost new home (1999 Hrdwds & all the best!) (23I45409)

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HIGHLAND \$365,000
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PLYMOUTH \$298,900
SHOP & COMPARE! Look what we offer Newer brick Colonial 4 BR 2 1/2 baths 1st flr laundry bsmt 3 car garage and oversized private lot Great house!(07PLY2)

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LIVONIA \$274,900
GREAT FAMILY HOME in Idyle Hills Estates! 5 BR 3 baths FR w/FP beautiful yard w/heated pool deck gazebo bbq grill patio/flower gardens Original owners gave this home TLC!(47ELL2)

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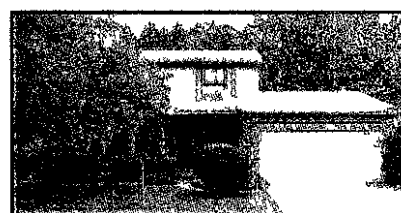
ROMULUS \$259,900
BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF THE 12TH GREEN Premium lot brand new 3 bedroom Cape Cod basement garage 2 1/2 bath one with Jacuzzi tub extras to numerous to list Call for details Hurry!(C326)

734-326-2000



CANTON \$234,900
YOUR SEARCH IS OVER! This custom colonial offers hardwood flrs throughout 1st flr laundry light bright kit updates throughout & more! Fin bsmt warranty & appliances!(D44300)

734-591-9200



CANTON \$232,900
VERY NICE CANTON COLONIAL! Lovely FR w/frpl newer oak floors in kitchen foyer & lav Three bay windows newer roof & carpeting A must see!(10KIN2)

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WHITMORE LAKE \$219,900
TRULY BEAUTIFUL CAPE COD! 4 yrs old Home is elegantly decorated thru out 3 BR 2 1/2 BA lg lot(could be 4th BR) lg mstr on 1st flr w/wic fin bsmt lg deck w/ko pond & more!(P9004)

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PLYMOUTH \$203,900
GREAT PLYMOUTH LOCATION! Quiet dead end street backing to Hines park & walking distance to town Open flr plan w/4 BRs bsmt 2 car garage & updates thru out (L41600)

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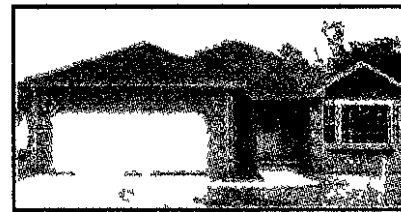
NORTHVILLE \$199,900
HIGHLAND LAKES CONDO 1400 sq ft 3 BR 2 1/2 baths lakefront garage fin bsmt Call for extensive list of updates custom features and complex amenities (S42257)

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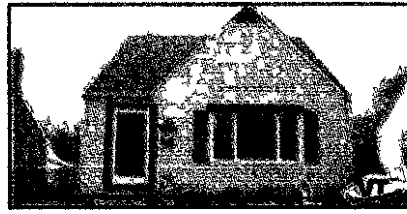
WESTLAND \$199,900
HARD TO FIND RANCH HOME on popular private road Almost an acre lot with trees & privacy Tons & tons of updates wndws entry drs vinyl siding & gutters deck & much more! Come see!(C35775)

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INKSTER \$175,000
WANT A BRAND NEW HOME? Look no more at this beautiful 3 bedroom open floor plan Ranch There is nothing else to compare you will be sold once you come n (S285

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DEARBORN \$169,900
MATCHLESS, METICULOUS, MEMORABLE Best describe this 4 BR Cape Cod 2 baths Fin base C/A remodeled kit & baths formal dining rm 2 car garage and prof landscaped yard backyard arbor (G222)

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REDFORD \$159,900
WELCOME TO THIS GREAT LOCATION! Views of a treed valley This ranch has 3 br 2 1/2 ba bsmt 2 car attd gar and 1418 sq ft Also includes updates wndws rf siding kit & more!(L16742)

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NORTHVILLE \$154,900
SHARP HIGHLAND LAKES CONDO W/ LAKEVIEW! Peaceful setting 3 BR 1 1/2 baths lg FR w/frpl updated baths newer windows neutral carpet t/o & fin'd bsmt (16OLD2)

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LIVONIA \$154,900
Charming 3/4 acre colonial in a nice location - updated kitchen - bath 3 Furnaces over 1500 sq ft 24x26 insulated garage - backs to elementary school with gate access (B19610)

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LIVONIA \$154,900
Shows beautifully! Newer kit main bath carpet in mstr new a/c fresh paint covered ceilings bay wndw in DR newer wndws & more! Pride of ownership thru out!(C9602)

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LIVONIA \$149,900
VERY SHARP LIVONIA RANCH! Newer 3 BR 2 full baths lovely GR w/cathedral ceiling c/a oak kitchen full bsmt cedar privacy fence, very open floor plan!(21LON2)

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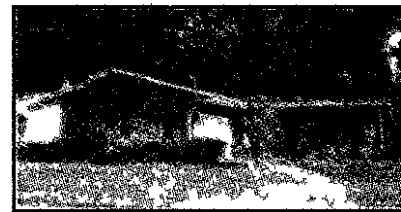
DEARBORN \$149,900
DEARBORN BUNGALOW! Brick 980 SF 3 BR many updates including windows roof electric & AC Professionally landscaped garage bsmt fenced yard & immediate occupancy (00MAD2)

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REDFORD \$144,900
A SUPER SHARP BRK RANCH W/MANY UPDATES- Updated kit & elec wndws 1 yr furnace 2 yr rf 6 yr c/a 1 yr 3 ceiling fans power attic fan fnshd bsmt South Redford schools (S9532)

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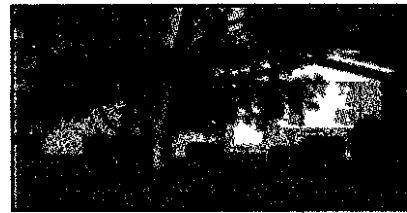
GARDEN CITY \$142,900
BEAUTIFUL CAPE COD ON DOUBLE CORNER LOT features side turned garage beautiful hardwood floors & stairway Solid wood cabinets in kitchen w/cozy nook area Front enclosed porch (B317)

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LIQUIDATION SALE Thu-Sat Aug 8 10 10 4 30507 Woodward Ave Royal Oak W side of Woodward S of 13 Mile

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CANTON Aug 8 & 9 9 5pm Sat ? On Warren Rd between Hicks & Haggerty

CANTON part of sub side sale Aug 10 11 4779 Grove Ct

CANTON garage sale Baby/kids clothes and toys Misc household items

CLARKSTON Aug 9 10 7am 2pm Super sale the usual stuff + more Reese Rd N of Holcomb

CLARKSTON Large garage sale Furniture toys artwork tools Fri Sat 8 3pm 5487 Parview Dr (M15 & Dixie Hwy)

CLARKSTON Thurs Fri & Sat 9 3pm 5864 Misty Hill (Dixie to Maybee to Chestnut Hill) Furniture toys & house hold goods

Commerce Beacon Hill Golf Sub Commerce & Cary Aug 8 9 10 9-4 Huge sale 40+ hours Large variety!

Davisburg - Huge Good Stuff Sale! Furniture golf sets household lawn add clothes loads of misc 13660 French Lane off Ormond Rd bet Parker & Big Lake Fri Aug 9th Sat Aug 10 Sun Aug 11 10am 5pm

Dearborn Antiques col lectibles precision tools Something special for every one Don't miss this gigantic sale 1007 S Highland (Cherry Hill & Telegraph) Thur Fri Sat 9 5

FARMINGTON Aug 9 10 11 21308 St Francis N/8 Mile W/Inkster Washers dry ers furniture DVD S CD S PC VCR DVD player Cheap

FARMINGTON Aug 9 10 10 6 pm Baby & kid's clothes Little Me Osh Kosh Gap Gymboree etc) Toys action series maternity clothes housewares holiday decor books 23101 Lakeway corner of Lake way/Shiawassee

FARMINGTON HILLS 23063 Luck N of Shiawassee E of Orchard Lk Lots for kids toys bike ride on strollers clothes mens ladies boys 18mo 3T Thurs Fri & Sat 9 5

FARMINGTON HILLS Huge garage sale! Fri Sun Multiple families 18 Mile & Grand River 2 bks W of Botsford hospital on Collingham)

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FARMINGTON HILLS huge 2 family sale! Household items clothing back to school toys etc Thurs Aug 8th and Fri Aug 9th 8am-4pm 29632 Harrow Dr off 13 Mile between Drake and Halstead
- FARMINGTON HILLS** Aug 9th & 10th art children's household collectibles 31152 Carriage Hill Ct S of 11 Mile of Farm Rd
- FARMINGTON HILLS** Thurs Fri 9-4 Table & chairs Back to school items misc 28889 E King William Dunbar Oaks Sub 13 Mile & Drake
- FARMINGTON HILLS** Sat & Sun 9-4 28317 New Castle Rd 12 Mile/Farmington Art work stereo crystal misc
- FARMINGTON** Moms to Moms garage sale Great baby used baby gear & clothes kids toys Longaberger baskets 24143 Elizabeth Ct 2nd st E/Farmington off 10 Mile Fri Sat & Sun 9-5
- FRANKLIN** Wonderful finds hurry up while they last antiques toys household items and more! Friday & Saturday from 8-3 Sunday 1-4 30450 Helmandale Dr off of 13 Mile and Telegraph
- GARDEN CITY** Aug 8-11 Thurs Sat 11-6 Sun 11-2 We are moving quality furniture household & yard items wheel chair & more 31425 Donnelly S of W of Merriman
- LIVONIA** Aug 8th 8th 9-5 9:40m Women's clothing slacks tops skirts & blouses in very good cond women's jewelry household goods & more 28827 W Chicago Between Middlebelt & Inkster
- LIVONIA** Block Sale Aug 8 11 9am-5pm on Sunset Street 2 blocks E of Merriman S of 7 Mile
- LIVONIA** Multi family Aug 3 10-9 4 Audio equipment a conditioner clothes household & more 33553 Kentucky Joy & Farmington
- LIVONIA** Garage sale Aug 8 9-10 9:30-3pm 18582 Glastonbury (7 Mile & Newburgh) Baby & kids stuff
- LIVONIA** Fri Sat 9-6 19284 Laurel (Seven Mile & Gill) Kitchen items misc household etc
- LIVONIA** 37555 Myrna (N of 5 Mile W of Newburgh) Sat Aug 10 9-3pm Baby goods excellent cond & more
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- LIVONIA GARAGE & ESTATE SALE** 30511 Puritan Thurs Fri & Sat 9-4pm
- LIVONIA** Fri & Sat 9:40-4:30 W of Merriman N of 7 Mile to Osmus to 19566 Hardy Bedding household ladies suits clothes lots of misc
- LIVONIA** 2 family garage sale Clothes & toys 36981 Dardane W 3/7 Mile N/E Newburgh Thurs & Fri 9-5
- NORTHVILLE HUGO** sale 18550 Brookline Blvd Aug 8 to Aug 11 10-4 to 4pm Southeast corner of Six & Sheldon Girls clothes toys baby stuff furniture and more
- OAKLAND TWP** Aug 10 9am-5pm Antiques furniture collectible pottery kitchen ware glassware dinnerware & 50's Also tools toys & kids stuff Absolutely no pre sales 234 Stoney Creek Rd 1/4 mile W of Rochester Rd
- ORCHARD LAKE** Fabulous Sale! Furniture electronic kitchen household clothes 4250 W Newland S off Long Lake 3 streets W of Middlebelt Thurs Sat 9-4
- PLYMOUTH** 2 mom to mom sales Infant 3 yrs boys & girls clothes toys supplies equipment etc maternity clothes 970 Virginia (N of Ann Arbor Rd W of Lilley) Aug 9-10 9-5
- PLYMOUTH** Fri Sat 9-6 40328 Ivywood 2 bks from Haggerty & 5 Mile Arts & crafts (crochet misc) etc
- PLYMOUTH** Aug 9-10 9-6 Craftsman snow blower 57 Ford tractor w/disk front end loader & plow 14 Staircraft boat 30's stove dining set Singer sewing machine glass ware lots & lots of household items! 10443 N Territorial 3 miles W of Plymouth between Napier & Gottfredson
- PLYMOUTH BIG SALE!** Fri & Sat 9-5pm 9283 Rucker St off Main between Joy & Ann Arbor Rd Furniture clothing dishes something for everyone
- PLYMOUTH 3 FAMILY** garage sale Thursday Friday from 9-5 and Saturday from 9-1 1751 Hopkin Dr Near Ridge of Powell
- PLYMOUTH 467** Arthur S of Farmer E of Sheldon Thursdays 9-3 Home and office furniture lawn mower snow blower electron toys software and more
- PLYMOUTH SAT** 9-4 11352 Parkview Dr Ann Arbor Trail/Eckles Misc & lots of baby stuff like new
- REDFORD** Garage sale Antiques hats vintage clothing 15824 Woodworth (Beach & 5) Saturday only 8-4
- REDFORD** 18659 Danby Furniture/33 1/3 records small kitchen appliances 7 Mile/Inkster Fri Sat 9-5 No preview
- REDFORD** 9956 Lucerne (off Plymouth between Beech Daly & Inkster) Fri Aug 9 10-4 & Sat Aug 10 10-2 Collectibles antiques ball collectibles household items & tools
- REDFORD** Hugs multi family sale 18316 Lexington btwn 7 Mile & Curtis Thurs Fri Sat Aug 8th 10th 9-4
- ROCHESTER** Demolition Sale 741 Wilcox Aug 9-10 Cabinets light fixtures fans + much more Cash only
- ROCHESTER** Moving Sale Thurs Fri & Sat 9-5 333 Wynette Dequandre & 24 Mile Furniture boys clothing household appliances toys
- ROCHESTER HILLS** Hugs Garage Sale Aug 8-11 8am-4pm 745 Kirkton Ct off Avon btwn John R & Rochester
- ROCHESTER HILLS** Hugs Sale Thurs Sat 2656 Dearborn N off Auburn btwn Livernols/Crooks Collectibles clothes furniture misc
- ROYAL OAK** Aug 10 11 7am-3pm 1221 Cherokee bet Main & Campbell off Lincoln Everything on sale from A-Z Definitely some unique items
- ROYAL OAK** garage sale Aug 9 & 10 from 8am-4pm 4424 Cooper Ave 2 blocks south of 14 Mile 1 block east of Woodward Housewares small furniture including desk and daybed Much more
- ROYAL OAK** Thurs Aug 8 9-5 Fri Aug 9 9-noon Furniture lamps household & more 514 S Edison
- ROYAL OAK** Fri & Sat 9-4pm Lots of Teachers materials Futon furniture & frames 904 N Ramezand Off Gardena between Main & Campbell 248 582 1999
- Southfield** Aug 10 11 8am-8pm 24880 Larges between Telegraph & Lahser off 10 Mile Lots of clothes & misc
- SOUTHFIELD** Game Boy Play Station 1 books toys computer & video games toy box Sat 10-3 17146 Wiltshire 12 Mi off Stuart
- SOUTHFIELD** Aug 8 9-10 9pm 25891 Rouge Ct N of 8 W of Beech huge sale vacuums household antique dining room set & more
- SOUTHFIELD** estate sale everything goes 60yrs col lectible indoor & outdoor furniture appliances tools lawn equipment kitchenware jew elry knock knacks Hammond organ 21438 Hiawatha Fri Sat 8-5 Sun 8-2 Off 10 Mi btw Lahser & Evergreen turn on Tamarack Trail to H awatha
- SOUTHFIELD** 25575 Mulberry Dr E of Telegraph N of 10 Garage Sale Galore! Furniture appliance car's clothes something for everyone! Fri Aug Mon Aug 12th 10am-4pm
- SOUTHFIELD** Big 3 family garage sale 30721 Northgate Off 13 Mile Rd btwn Northfield & Evergreen Turn on Rock Creek left on Northgate Aug 8 9 & 10 9-5
- SOUTHFIELD** Sat & Sun 9-6pm Garage overstocked Furniture clothing books 20200 Forestwood W of Evergreen between 12 & 13
- SOUTHFIELD** Aug 8-10 8-5pm 16021 Meadowood 1 blk S of 11 1 blk W of Greenfield HUGO! NEW MISC childrens clothes 0-4 backpack purses craft supplies + much regular misc (2 new trailer tires 700x15)
- Southfield Garage sale** 25462 Friar (10 Mile & Lahser) household items toys kids clothes misc Aug 8-10 9-5
- SOUTHFIELD** Sub Garage sale! Evergreen Trail Sub between 11 1/2 Mile & Evergreen Berkshire Aug 10 & 11 9am-5pm
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- TROY** Multi family 3534 Paddington (S of Wattles E of Adams) Fri Sat Aug 9 10 9-3 Household goods dorm needs
- Troy** 2457 and 2445 Valleyview north east of Beach Rd & Long Lake Fri Sat Aug 9 10 9-5 both days Dining room set bedroom set office furniture house hold appliances dishes etc
- TROY TONS OF NEW** items Books dishes music gifts blankets purses ladies shoes (10/11 W) clothes (1 3X) pottery USED Teek shift units tools kitchen supplies & more Aug 9th 11th 9-4pm CASH 2483 Avery E of John R S of Long Lake
- TROY** Aug 9 10 9am-5pm 5 Family Toys games Beanie Babies trading cards clothes household more 2091 W Wattles W of Coolidge
- W BLOOMFIELD** Brand new toys (unopened packaging) very cheap 6764 Edwood Green Lake to Fieldview 1st street is Edwood Fri Sat & Sun 9-5pm
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- WESTLAND** Thurs Sat 9-6 2530 Second E/Wayne S/Palmer Large quantity of tools new/used hardware misc
- WESTLAND** Thurs 9am-3pm Fri & Sat 9am-12pm 8435 Shan Drive Joy & Merriman Pots & pans housewares computer aquarium stand & mantle etc
- Westland** Fri Aug 9-4 33920 Millwood Ct (off Cowan) Wood swingset Skidoo mini V kids clothes toys household
- WESTLAND** - 31474 Alcona Ct N of Michigan W of Merriman Aug 8 & 9 9am-7 Laptop clothes tires more
- WESTLAND THURS SAT** 8-5pm 29811 Lonnie St (W of Middlebelt/ N of Ann Arbor Tr) Clothes toys household items & furniture
- WESTLAND HUGE SALE** at Oakwest Subdivision Aug 8 9 10 & 11 9-5pm On Hix Rd between Joy & Warren Rds Baby/ Kids clothes toys, bikes men's/women's clothes furniture & much more!
- WESTLAND OAK** bedroom set brass headboard house wares Lane reclining living room set Phillips 3 cd unit Sat & Sun 10-4 36247 Schley (734) 728 2679
- WESTLAND** 2110 Lost Tree Way Off Square Lake between Squirrel and East Ways Thurs 9-5pm
- BLOOMFIELD HILLS** 2110 Lost Tree Way Off Square Lake between Squirrel and East Ways Thurs 9-5pm
- BLOOMFIELD HILLS** Sat Sun 10-4 6889 Woodbank Dr S/Maple 1st blk W/Telegraph Entire home contents
- BLOOMFIELD TWP** Executive Estate/Moving Sale Everything goes! South Wakeek home Antiques & decorator items Mahogany dining set brass bed piano refrigerator/freezer 4405 Ramsgate S of Long Lake E aUG 9 11 10-4
- FARMINGTON HILLS** 21560 Beaufort Ct Baldwin Spinnet Piano furniture tools house hold ladders etc Signs at 8 Mile & Newburgh/Halstead Fri Sat 9-4
- FARMINGTON HILLS** Antiques furniture & acces sories Saturday Aug 10th 9-5 35300 Northmont Dr between 12 & 13 Mile E of Drake (248) 553 2049
- FARMINGTON HILLS** 21560 Beaufort Ct Baldwin Spinnet Piano furniture tools house hold ladders etc Signs at 8 Mile & Newburgh/Halstead Fri Sat 9-4
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- LIVONIA** Moving Sale 11434 Loveland Farmington & Plymouth Rds Sat/10 8-4 Sun 8/11 10-4 Furniture clothing home decor & more

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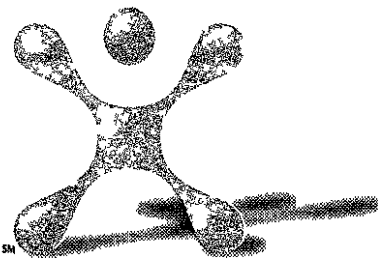
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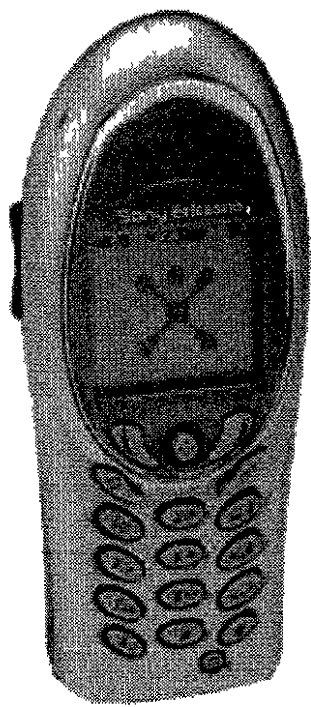
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