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Pipeline

■ Pie eaters

Young pie eaters who pride themselves on how fast they can scarf it down are going to get a chance to show off their style at the Plymouth Fall Festival



The Plymouth Observer will once again sponsor its pie eating contest at 2 p.m. Saturday Sept. 7 in Kellogg Park as part of the annual festivities. There will be contests in each of three different age categories with prizes (including movie tickets, gift cards and more) to be handed out to the top three finishers in each age group.

Contests will be held for children ages 8-10, 11-13, 14-16. Celebrity judges will judge the contests. Entry is free and open to the first 12 people who sign up the day of the contest. For information call the Plymouth Observer office (734) 459-2700.

■ Blood drive

The American Red Cross holds a blood drive at the Plymouth District Library from 1-7 p.m. Tuesday Sept. 3.



Donors should register in person on the main floor of the library between now and Sept. 3. Walk-ins are also welcome. For information call (734) 453-0750. Ex. 217.

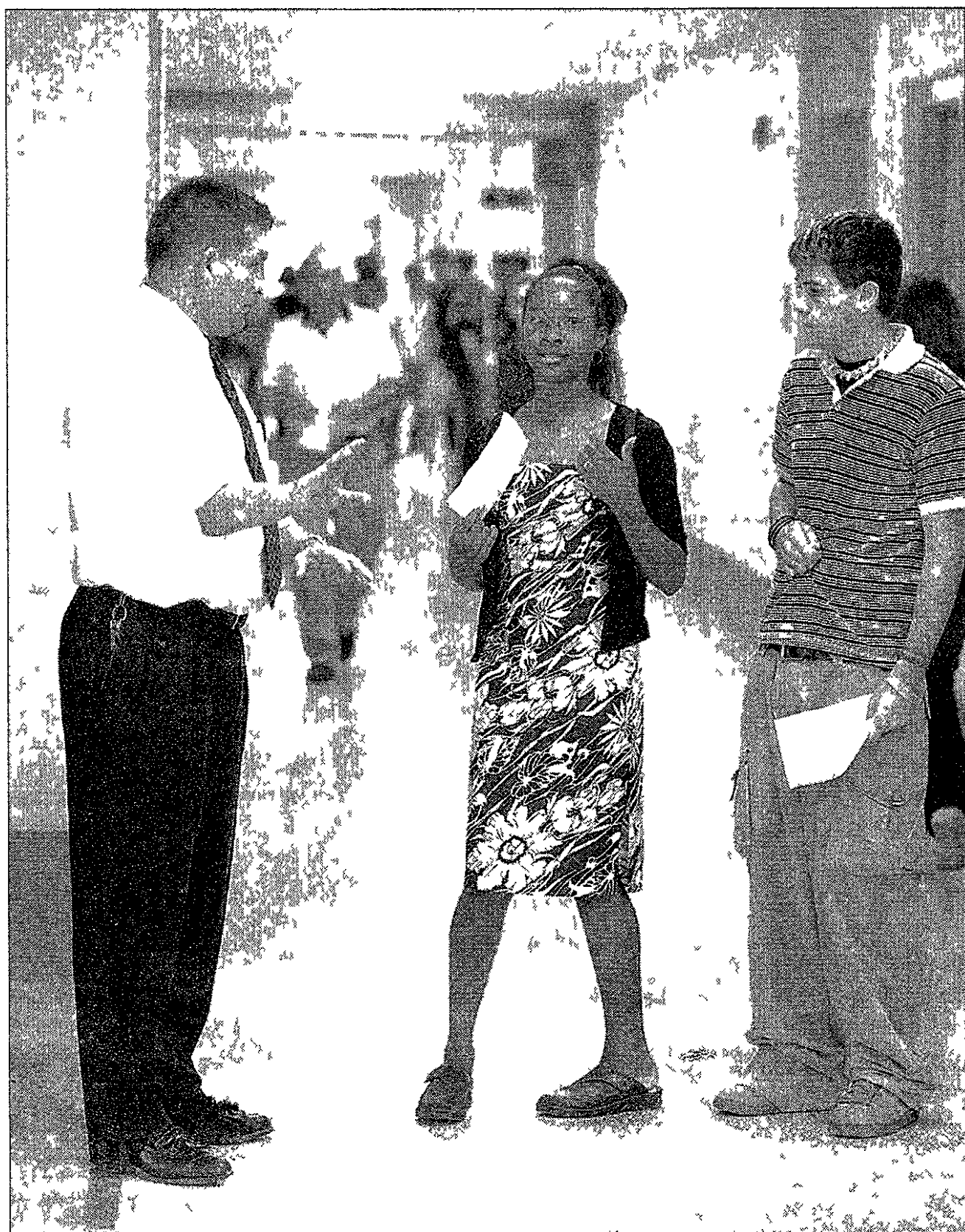
■ Life's laughs

Theatergoers have a chance to eat, drink and be merry and benefit a good cause at the same time. The Star Fairlane Theater in Dearborn is hosting Laughs for Life II to benefit First Step, the western Wayne County and downriver project on domestic and sexual violence. The benefit takes place at 6 p.m. Friday Sept. 20 at the Dearborn theater.

Guests will be greeted with champagne, cheeses and a wide variety of desserts. First Step supporters will then have their funny bones tickled with a live performance by the comedic troupe Totally Unrehearsed Theatre. They'll also have a chance to bid on a variety of items during a silent auction. A private movie screening complete with popcorn and pop brings the evening to a close.

Last year's inaugural event raised nearly \$38,000. The money raised from this year's event will go toward support of the charity's services and programs. First Step's mission is to reduce the incidence of domestic and sexual violence and to provide services to individuals affected by these crimes.

Tickets for Laughs for Life II at the Star Fairlane in Dearborn are \$35 and are available by calling Meghan Kennedy Rordan at 734-762-7260.



Amber Lee of Canton 15 center gets some directions from Plymouth High School Principal Michael Bee on the first day of school Monday

School arrives in P-C style

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

For nearly two years, staffers at the new Plymouth High School have been preparing for opening day, almost like an army and its wartime maneuvers.

On Monday, the games stopped. "We're not 'playing' school anymore," said Barb Zdrodowski, secretary to Plymouth High School Principal Michael Bee. "Today, it's the real thing." And if Bee, hired two years ago to get the building open, were to give the first day of school at the new high school a report card, he'd probably grade it out at an A-minus.

Except for a couple of technological glitches, Bee found the day to be a rousing success. "It went wonderfully, as well as I could possibly have imagined," Bee said. "The kids were all upbeat, they knew where they were going, the staff was helpful. You expect to have a couple of potential nightmares, especially with kids coming

PLEASE SEE SCHOOL, A3



Mathematics teacher Michelle Thews fires up her students in third hour at Plymouth High School on the first day of school Monday

Salem still mulling over JCI switch

BY ANNA TROPPELS
STAFF WRITER

The 1s will be dotted and the 2s crossed.

Adjourning by their 10:30 p.m. target on Tuesday, Salem Township Board members decided to continue their review of a proposed rezoning for Johnson Controls at a Sept. 24 special meeting.

The third of a series of three meetings to date will begin at 7:30 p.m. at the Salem Township Hall, 9600 Six Mile Road in Salem's hamlet. Tuesday's meeting was a continuation of the board's July 30 gathering, also dedicated mainly to the board's review of the proposed rezoning to research applications.

Johnson Controls proposes to relocate its Automotive Systems Group corporate headquarters from Plymouth Township to 366 acres in Salem bordered by Gotfredson, Joy

PLEASE SEE JCI, A5

Crowded pool schedule draws throng

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Just when you thought there was room to go back in the water, the swimming situation in the Plymouth-Canton school district has suddenly gotten crowded.

Swimmers and their supporters filled the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education meeting Tuesday night, all

there to urge the board to find a solution to problems created with the opening of Plymouth High School.

The problem? The addition of swim teams at PHS have already caused scheduling problems in the district's three pools, located at Canton and Salem high schools and Central Middle School. Pool time was already precariously balanced because the pools are also used by the

Plymouth-Canton Cruisers, a club team that swims year-round and helps feed the district's prep squads.

With the new Wildcats now needing practice and meet time, the Cruisers were on the verge of being the odd man out before temporary solutions were found.

"Because of these crises, the Cruisers

PLEASE SEE POOL, A6

Sprayscape may still hit the heat

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Township residents who thought they were going to have the chance to frolic in a new sprayscape at township park may still get their chance.

The \$300,000 project is finally nearing completion at the park, located at Ann Arbor Trail and McClumpha. Township officials are hoping to have the water feature operating by mid-September. Township supervisor Steve

Mann had hoped to get the sprayscape open by July, when the weather was still hot, but he said it simply couldn't be done.

"We'd like to have opened it as early as we could," Mann said. "But given the conditions out there, it's something we had to wait for."

The problem, according to Mann, is the saturated nature of the ground in the area, particularly during the spring. Once the project was bid out,

PLEASE SEE SPRAYSCAPE, A6



TOM HAWLEY | OBSERVER

Medal winner

Gerry Gawura of Canton holds up one of five gold medals she won at the 23rd Annual Michigan Senior Olympics, held in Midland Aug. 4-8. She is a member of the Michigan Mavericks, a softball team for women over 70. See Observer Life, page C5.

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American Profile

LOOKING AHEAD

Healthy start
Children and adults should begin the day with a meal. Read why in the Sunday edition of American Profile Magazine inside your Plymouth Observer.



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Celebs to flip at Fall Festival

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Breakfast goes at the annual Kiwanis Club pancake breakfast during Plymouth's Fall Festival shouldn't have a tough time recognizing the folks doing the flipping. Apparently, anyone who's elected to be someone is going to be on hand for the event. Kiwanians have rounded up a veritable Who's Who of celebrity pancake flippers. Among those scheduled to take half-hour turns at the griddle are both gubernatorial candidates, Jennifer Granholm for the Democrats and Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus for the Republicans. Granholm gets the first shot, and Posthumus will follow right behind her. To lend some authenticity to



Stewart

Granholm

the proceedings, the folks at Cafe Bon Homme will supply the chefs hats and jackets. "I think it's going to be a hoot," said Kiwanian Fred Hill. It'll be great, especially if everyone gets into the spirit of it. Because all three of Plymouth's Kiwanis clubs are getting involved, Hill said the club expects to feed some 3,000 people, more than half again the 1,800 or so they served a year ago. Other celebrities scheduled

include Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham, State Rep. John Stewart, (R-Plymouth Township), and State Rep. Bruce Patterson, (R-Canton). The tentative schedule is as follows: 8-8 30 a.m. — Graham; 8 30-9 a.m. — Patterson; 9-9 30 a.m. — Granholm; 9 30-10 a.m. — Posthumus; 10-10 30 a.m. — State Sen. Thaddeus McCotter, (R-Livonia), a U.S. congressional candidate; 10 30-11 a.m. — Stewart. At press time, Hill was still trying to get a Plymouth Township representative, perhaps Police Chief Tom Tiderington, to stand in for the vacationing supervisor, Steve Mann.

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AROUND TOWN

HOMETOWN HEROES

Reflections on the events of Sept. 11, 2001 get an early start as Solid Rock Bible Church of Plymouth kicks off with a service at 11 a.m. Sunday in Kellogg Park. The service, which will last about 1 1/2 hours, is designed to honor all service people, according to associate pastor Brad Cannon. Honorees include members of the military, emergency medical workers, those in other areas of the medical field, as well as fire fighters and police officers. The idea is to honor those people not only from Plymouth, but from the surrounding area, as well. "We've invited everyone out," Cannon said. "Our goal is to honor these people." Church officials will have fire engines, squad cars, police motorcycles and other technology on hand. The day will feature the Pledge of Allegiance as well as patriotic songs led by Solid Rock's band. Dr. Tim Lee, a double amputee and Purple Heart recipient as a Vietnam veteran, will be the featured speaker. For more information, call Solid Rock at (734) 455-7711.

Nicholas Robbins (the only two-time weekly winner) and Diana Merlino. Jocelin Chang won the grand prize, a gift certificate to Twelve Oaks Mall.

VETERANS HISTORY

The Plymouth Historical Society Museum and the Plymouth Community Council on Aging announce the Veteran's History Project. Dan Packer will head up the project by interviewing and videotaping American veterans and civilians who supported the war efforts in the last century. Three copies of each interview will be made to preserve this important oral history. One copy will be sent to the Library of Congress, one will remain at the Plymouth Historical Society Museum and the third will be located at the office of the Plymouth Community Council on Aging. The tapings will begin in September. To register for this effort, call Dan Packer at (734) 455-8940, or (734) 420-4439. For more information, call the Plymouth Community Council on Aging, (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236, or the museum, (734) 455-8940.

at Hillside Middle School, located on the southeast corner of 8 Mile and Center in Northville. Additional auditions, by appointment only, will be held at the same location on the following three Tuesdays — Sept. 17 and 24, and Oct. 1. For information or to schedule an audition, call (734) 455-4080.

MUSICAL SHOT

The Spotlight Players, formerly the Plymouth Theatre Guild, are holding auditions for their production of "Cinderella" at 7 p.m. Sept. 9-10 at the Watertown Theater, located on the campus of the Northville Psychiatric Hospital, 41001 W. Seven Mile in Northville. The group is looking to fill six women's roles (ages 15 and older), four men's roles (ages 18 and older), 10-15 adult chorus members and 10-12 children's chorus members. Auditioners should bring sheet music for whatever you sing best, and cold readings will be taken from script cuts. The Spotlight Players' production of "Cinderella" takes to the stage Nov. 15-16, Nov. 22-24 and Nov. 29-30. For more information, call C.J. Nodus, (248) 888-7685.

CHARITY DAYS

The Plymouth Symphony League and the Dixboro General Store are teaming up for "Dixboro Charity Days: A Fund-Raising Event for the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra." The Dixboro General Store will donate 15 percent of all sales generated by Plymouth Symphony League patrons who present the fund-raising coupon Sept. 13-15. Coupons can be requested through the PSO office by calling (734) 451-2112, or stopping by the symphony office, 18 Forest Place in downtown Plymouth. The Dixboro General Store is located at 5206 Plymouth Road, east of US-23 in Ann Arbor. The store is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

TEEN READING

Nearly 170 Plymouth teens recently took part in "Fantasy Quest," the Plymouth District Library's teen summer reading program. Participants checked in each week with names of books or magazines they'd read or Web sites they'd visited, music or audiobooks to which they'd listened, or movies they'd viewed. Names were then drawn each week for a variety of prizes, including gift certificates and merchandise from local businesses, including Einstein Brothers, Max & Erma's, McDonald's, Meyer, Oasis Pottery Studio, Pizza Hut, Plymouth Coffee Bean, the Plymouth Whalers and the Friends of the Library. Prize winners included Derek Vance, Colleen Harder, Daniel Simpson, Kevin Smith, Samira Patel, Nikita Patel, Neal Shah, Andrew Simpson, Ellen Gwozdek, Brett Huppenbauer,

ARTS AUCTION

As far as the folks at the Plymouth Community Arts Council are concerned, it's never too early to start planning. The PCAC's annual dinner auction isn't scheduled until March 14, but organizers are already looking for items to be auctioned off. The event takes place at St. John's Golf and Conference Center, with tickets going on sale Nov. 1. Tickets will cost \$65 for members, \$70 for non-members before Dec. 31. Beginning Jan. 1, all tickets will be \$75. To donate an item or for information on tickets, call the PCAC, (734) 416-4278.

CHORUS CALL

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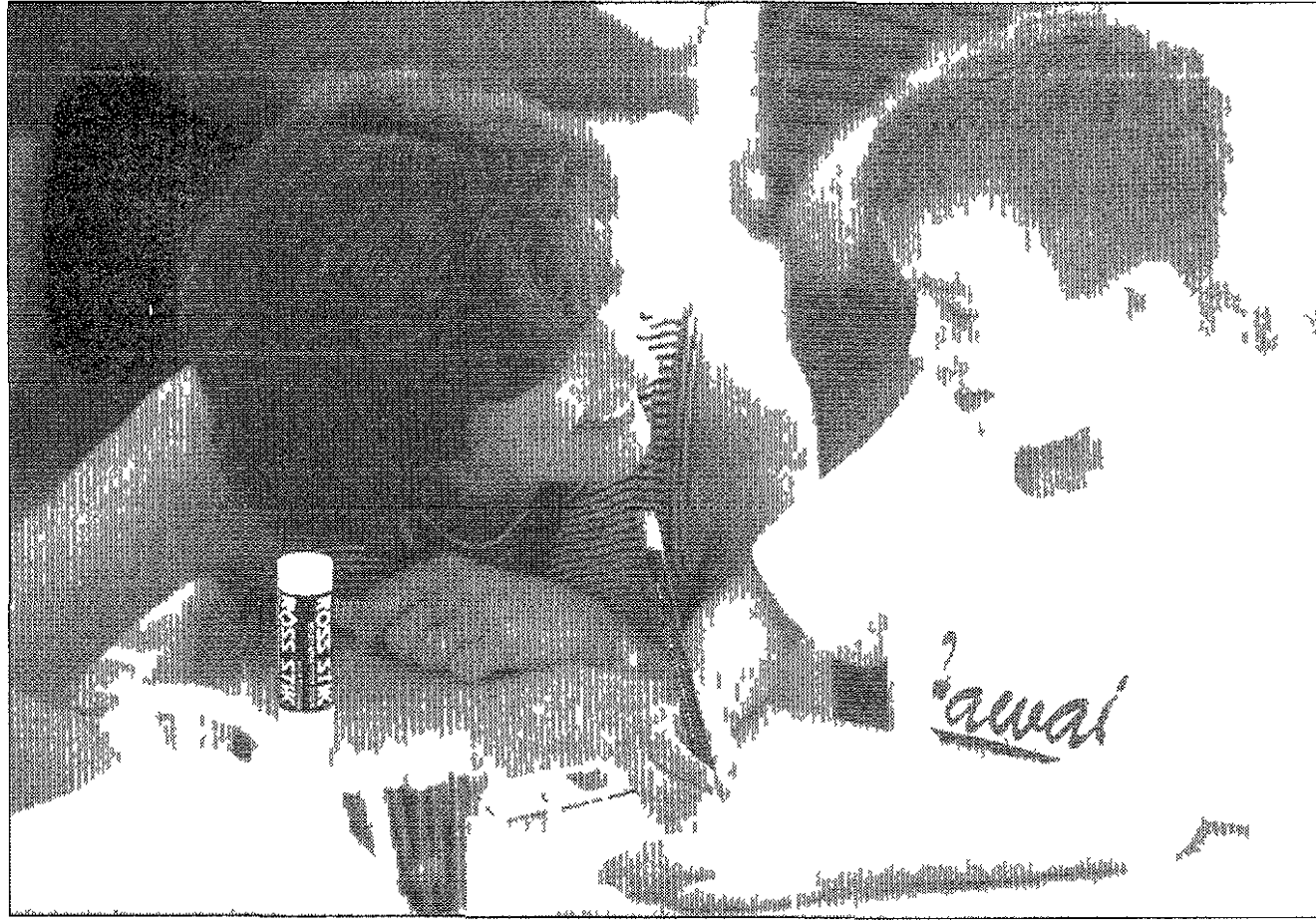
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Kindergarten teacher Maureen Visser works with Jacob Ignagni, 5, on the first day of school at Smith Elementary in Plymouth Monday.



Plymouth High School Assistant Principal Julie Kaminski helps incoming students with directions to their classes on the first day of school Monday.



Senior Melanie Slank of Plymouth 17 gets some help from general office worker Jan Wilbur at Plymouth High School.

SCHOOL

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from the other two buildings, but everything functioned well.

The school's buzzer system wasn't ready early, and there were a couple of blips with the new computer software. Other than that, Bee said, the day went swimmingly.

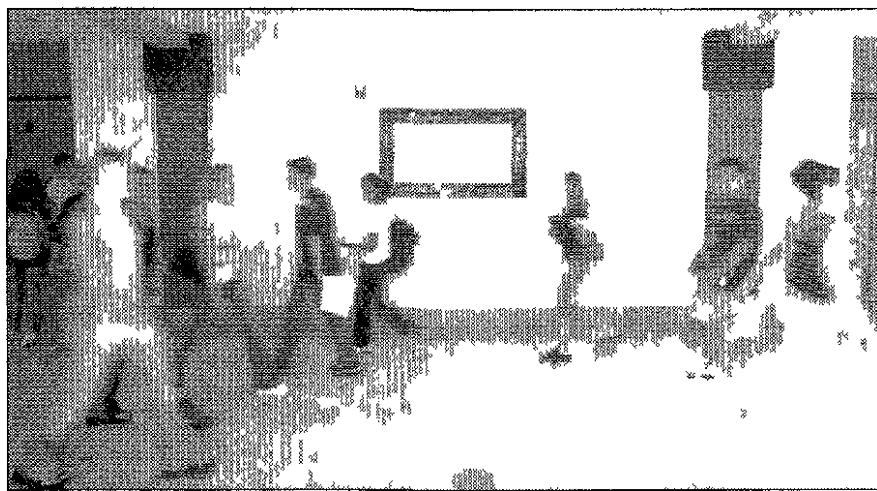
If that's all you have to go wrong (on the first day), it's going to be a great year, he said. And we're going to have a great year.

One potential snag still looms. The time it takes for students to make it from other parts of the educational park to classes at Plymouth High School. The passing time (10 minutes) could wind up being particularly tough for students going from the far reaches of Canton High School to parts of the new building.

That was one of the few first-day problems for seniors Greg Broda and Danielle Shepard.

It's kind of a long walk, said Broda, a 17-year-old Plymouth resident. I barely made it. It's pretty close.

Shepard agreed. The 10-minute passing period is pretty hard, said Shepard, 17 of Plymouth. They set up a new tardy



Students walk past the main student entrance and a sign welcoming students, teachers, friends, support staff and community at Plymouth High School Monday.

PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHEMANN/OBSERVER

rule (at the new school) so they might have to do something about it.

Bee said staffers made the walk before school opened, and did it in 9:40. He agreed it was something that might need attention, particularly when inclement weather arrives this winter.

We walked it in 9:40, so that tells you it's going to be tight with no time to socialize, Bee said. But it's doable. When the weather gets

worse, it may become an issue. Teachers know where the kids are coming from, and they'll work with them if there are issues there.

Things went equally smoothly around the district, with just a few minor problems reported at various locations. That was good news to the district's new interim superintendent, Jim Ryan.

It's the first day of the year, Ryan said, of opening day. This is what it's all about. Everybody's

worked all summer to get buildings ready for the kids to return. This is the celebration point when it all goes well.

In a district with 17,000 kids and 1,000 teachers and staff, Ryan said, there would always be glitches. He pointed out the positives outweigh the negatives.

Once you find the glitches, you fix them, and the culture of superintendent Jim Ryan is to get it right. It's the first day of the year, Ryan said, of opening day. This is what it's all about. Everybody's

we got them solved and moved on." The one thing veteran school district observers noticed was the drop in traffic in hallways. The opening of the new high school was designed to ease the overcrowding, and it appears, at least from the first day, that it did just that.

It seems to have done the job, Ryan agreed. The veterans noticed the traffic was a lot easier. Everyone was working hard to get the kids where they needed to be.

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Many more riders needed for SMART's new bus fleet

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Aggressively look for more riders Buy and put into service 287 brand new 'low floor' buses

That's SMART's mission now that they have successfully passed a millage renewal and a small millage increase

Earlier this month, the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation got voters in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties to approve 0.6 mills to keep SMART buses running, of that, 0.22 was new tax

SMART serves Garden City, Westland, Redford, Livonia, Farmington and Farmington Hills Bus routes include stops at Schoolcraft College and Madonna University in Livonia and the Orchard Ridge campus of Oakland Community College, and along Grand River in Farmington and Farmington Hills Routes also go to such places as Westland Shopping Center and to park-and-ride lots at Westland City Hall or Ford Field in Livonia

CHALLENGE

'Now we must aggressively try to get more riders,' said Dan Dirks, general manager of SMART 'We have geared our service to entry level workers We noticed in February (2001)

SMART QUICK FACTS

■ Phone (313) 962-5515 for help with routes 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday

■ A new 800 (free) number will come online in a few months

■ The SMART Web site is smartbus.org and includes maps and brief discussions of routes

■ Wayne County's representatives on the SMART board of trustees are Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and county Deputy Executive Mary Zuckerman, also of Livonia

that as the economy changed, we hurt that's when we really noticed

'Getting workers to where the jobs are - that's our No. 1 mission,' Dirks said Ridership has picked up in the Farmington area especially, Dirks said

Many jobs - as many as seven out of 10 - are more than 10 miles away from the central part of Detroit 'We have one of the most dispersed job markets

in the world,' he said

More riders means more fares, something SMART badly needs, Dirks admits Of the \$90 million annual budget, 38 percent comes from the state The millage should generate most of the balance - about \$40 million Fares bring in the rest

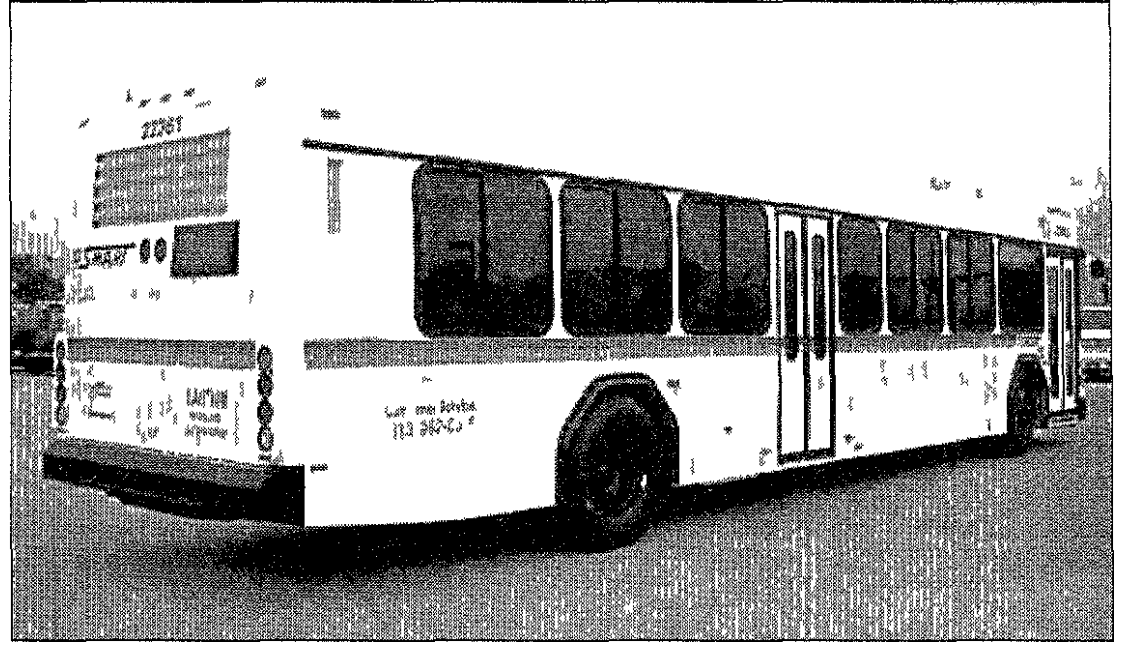
Dirks hopes to buy the new easy-to-board Gillig transit buses during the next three years, admittedly, some of the current buses are in bad shape Gillig, based in California, started out as a carriage and buggy maker in 1890 and now is one of the leading builders of the 'low floor' buses

The millage vote did especially well in affluent Oakland County, in part because of support from L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland county executive Winning margin percentages were 66-33 in Oakland, 55-45 in Wayne and 57-43 in Macomb

PATTERSON IS BACKER

'Patterson and Ed McNamara (outgoing Wayne County executive) helped us a lot,' Dirks said

The second biggest customer base for SMART is the elderly and the disabled, Dirks said 'We have one of the highest percentages of small buses and vans of any mass transit system'



New buses are one thing SMART hopes will attract more riders to routes in the suburbs it serves

Dirks does not fear the future and discussions in southeast Michigan and in the state legislature about regional transportation and such agencies as Detroit Area Regional Transportation Authority (DARTA)

We will complement any service expansion in the area We are the 'background service' No matter what they do (regionally), all municipal systems must have a bus feeder system' SMART ridership is about 200,000 passengers per week

However, at least one city, Livonia, wants more from SMART Mayor Jack Kirksey says diplomatically 'I hope to help them take a different look

'I think the millage gives SMART an opportunity to continue services but also an opportunity to evaluate those services and try to make them more viable than they are'

Kirksey believes ridership is very low in Livonia and that the millions collected in Livonia's taxes could be spent a different way Excess lines could be eliminated, he said

A group both he and Dirks are part of will discuss that next week The Wayne County Transit Authority meets at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 5, in Livonia's city hall

He hopes to get approval for a study of transportation in Livonia

I know not everything stops at our borders,' Kirksey said Livonia's requirements include small vans for seniors or the disabled to fit our needs more closely'

Doug Johnson at (734) 953-2104

International Trade seminar series offered at Schoolcraft College

Remaining local in a global marketplace can be risky for businesses, but how do you know if international trade is right for your company?

The Schoolcraft College Export Resource Center offers a series of seminars leading to an international trade certificate that examines various aspects of overseas trade

The series begins Tuesday, Sept. 24 Each session meets from 6 to 9 p.m. and each study area

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Instructors are global trade experts who provide real-world training and applications The first three topics are

Sept. 24 and Sept. 26 - *International Marketing*, where participants learn to assess their product and company readiness for exporting, conduct international market research and devise strategies for entering a market Oct. 1 and Oct. 3 -

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International Logistics, where participants learn about risk management, export procedures and documentation, electronic data interchange and freight handling Other business-oriented offerings

Entrepreneurs may have a great product or service, but without the right marketing, no one will know about it *Marketing Basics for Your Business*, a seminar Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Schoolcraft College, gives busy entrepreneurs a chance to evaluate their marketing efforts and learn new strategies

Marketing specialist Eric A. Schmidt of Dynamix will share his knowledge and ideas and suggest resources

Participants can network with other businesses involved in different levels of marketing initiatives

The two-hour seminar begins at 8:30 a.m. and costs \$15 per person

Businesses interested in Asian markets, particularly China and Japan, can learn about export opportunities at a seminar Monday, Sept. 23 from 1 to 5 p.m. Fee is \$10 Michigan trade specialists stationed in both China and

Japan will be on hand to talk to local companies about markets and available resources The trade specialists also will meet individually with interested companies

For information or to register, contact the Schoolcraft College Business Development Center at (734) 462-4438

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JCI

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and Napier Roads. The Johnson Controls property in Salem is located in the township's Urban Services District, an area near M-14 that previous Salem officials set aside to contain major developments.

During its special meeting on Tuesday, the board examined the issues of Johnson Controls' primary interior roadway access to the proposed Wellness Center on the campus, obtaining municipal water and sewer services for the property, traffic, road improvements and environmental concerns.

In addition, board members reviewed the willingness of Johnson Controls representatives to participate in any future special assessment districts to bring services to the Urban Services District and work with the township on planning for issues such as environmental and fire safety.

Near the end of the meeting, Johnson Controls attorney Todd Fink said a few issues still need addressing, including medical services and buffering the site from neighbors. He asked the board to authorize its committee to discuss these issues so Johnson Controls' representatives could continue to make progress on them.

The firm wants to occupy its campus in Salem by the end of 2003. Treasurer Linda Hamilton said the board already has a procedure set up allowing the committee to discuss only issues already addressed in public by the board. Committee meetings take place during the day while some people are at work, she said.

Trustee Brien Witkowski said the audience deserves the full board's attention. The board

Paper looking for residents' 9-11 observations

The Plymouth Observer is inviting readers to participate in a story commemorating the anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001.

Anyone interested in taking part should answer the following questions:

■ What are your feelings on the upcoming Sept. 11 anniversary?

■ What is your take on homeland security measures this country has taken (airport security, border security etc.)?

■ How has your life been changed? Did you drive or fly for vacation this year? Did you visit a national monument? Are you planning any kind of acknowledgement of the anniversary?

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Comments will be published in the Plymouth Observer Sept. 8 and should be received by Sunday, Sept. 1.

members decided to set the Sept. 24 special meeting so the entire board can continue to review the proposed rezoning.

TRAFFIC AND ROADS

Martin Parker, a traffic consultant for Johnson Controls, said the company has plans to accommodate traffic after the population at its proposed Salem campus reaches 2,700, or until the year 2008. The firm will re-examine traffic issues at that point.

Fink said Salem will benefit from \$4.5 million in road improvements because of the project at no cost to the township or Washtenaw County. Johnson Controls plans to use

state grant money for the work, with the firm paying the local contribution that is required.

Board members stressed the importance of planning ahead and being proactive so today's road improvements don't make tomorrow's construction difficult and expensive.

A considerable amount of people think grant money is put on trees by fairies, but in reality it comes out of every taxpayer's pockets," Hamilton said.

Trustee Pam Sebert asked whether Johnson Controls is willing to participate in any future special assessment districts for road improvements. The Urban Services District will need, Fink said. Johnson Controls representatives are

willing to discuss the firm's participation in these.

The board recognized Napier Road residents' concerns about possible dangers increased traffic could pose to school children waiting for buses. They reviewed the circular roadway Johnson Controls plans to build in the interior of its campus and possible traffic backups on Napier Road if there is Napier Road access to the proposed Wellness Center, which would include a daycare facility for employees' children. Dean Boik, director of facilities for Johnson Controls, said that is an issue that Johnson Controls representatives can discuss further. JCI officials believe it is appropriate to have three entrances into the

campus - one on Joy Road, one on Napier Road and the other on Gotfredson Road.

The firm does not know how many of its employees would use the Wellness Center, since it is a new benefit, Boik said. Johnson Controls representatives will survey employees at the Plymouth Township location to find out the scope of interest in the Wellness Center, which would also include health and fitness facilities.

FUTURE ACTIONS

Supervisor Fred Roperti said there will be a development agreement between Johnson Controls and the township, outlining the responsibilities of

each. Roperti will try to schedule a combined meeting of the Planning Commission and Township Board, along with the Washtenaw County Road Commission. The meeting will focus on road improvements the Urban Services District will need.

The Urban Services Committee plans to meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 3, when it will draft a recommendation for providing water and sewer services to the Johnson Controls site. The committee will then spend some time reviewing its draft and will present its recommendations to the board at the Oct. 10 meeting.

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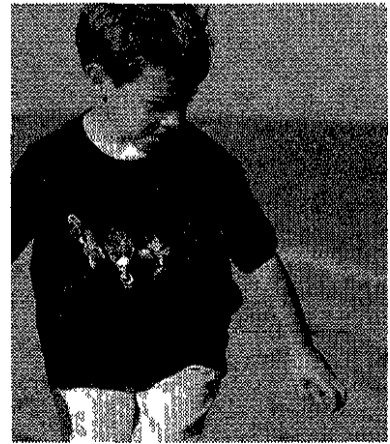
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Fireman hurt during rescue run

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Scott Gross was trying to do his job, helping extricate a woman from a serious car accident Saturday

Instead, Gross wound up going to the hospital
Gross, a Plymouth Community Fire Department firefighter since 1995, was taken by members of his department to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital after a mishap with the department's extrication device, the "Jaws of Life"
The department had been called to the accident at Ann Arbor Trail and Sheldon around 3 p.m. A convertible Chevrolet Corvette had been "T-boned" by a truck
According to fire chief Larry Groth, firefighters including Gross were trying to extricate

the woman when one arm of the "jaws" snapped off and hit him in the left leg

At first, officials were worried about a possible fracture in Gross' knee. While X-rays showed no such fracture, doctors are worried about possible tendon/ligament damage in the knee. Gross was scheduled to see a specialist Thursday morning.

He remains on crutches, and off duty, Groth said.

"He'll be off duty for awhile," the chief said. He's a very good paramedic and a very good fire fighter.

The passenger from the Corvette was treated and released, also at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ypsilanti, hospital officials said.

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POOL

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are in a possible position to be shut down," said Gail Lafayette, whose daughter swims for Plymouth High School and also swam at Discovery Middle School, neither of which has a pool of its own. "This problem should never have happened."

Plymouth High School opened Monday without a pool because in 1997, when the bond issue to build the high school passed, the provision for a pool and auditorium were left out. According to school board president Liz Givens, the consensus back then was that the \$80 million bond wouldn't have passed had it swelled to a predicted \$100 million or more with the addition of the pool and auditorium.

Many of the parents who spoke to the board Tuesday urged the board to find a permanent solution to the problem, and the one most often suggested was another bond issue to build a pool. Givens said a bond issue was likely, but consideration would have to be given to what that bond would include.

"We're going to have to do a bond issue because of (building) Cherry Hill Elementary," Givens said. "What else gets rolled in there, your guess is as good as mine. Everyone thinks (a pool) is a great idea, but it's also an expensive luxury. The community has to decide if

we can afford it.

Another solution that was talked about involved allowing the Plymouth High School swimmers to compete with either Canton or Salem, yet still earn points toward a PHS varsity letter. However, district officials didn't set it up that way, and they feel it's too late in the game to change things this year.

"I think we're committed to having this situation this year," said interim superintendent Jim Ryan. "I do believe we need to sit down with our athletic people and see what they think about letting (PHS) swim with the two teams next year. We'll look at a lot of options next year to avoid this."

Meanwhile, the Cruisers are relegated to fitting in where they can, which means practicing as late as 10 p.m. It puts a lot of pressure on a team that's been around, feeding the high schools, since 1975. The Cruisers feature some 160 swimmers from more than 100 families, with another 100 or so on a waiting list.

The practice time is crucial to the swimmers, Cruisers representative Bryce Dixon told the board Tuesday. "Swimming is a year-round sport, he said. "If you go months without practice, you can't keep up. A schedule has been put together that should get us through the year, (but) if another pool isn't built, the Cruisers could fold."

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SPRAYSCAPE

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contractors discovered ground too wet to do much with, the supervisor said.

"The water table is pretty high there," Mann said. "You don't have to dig too deep to hit water. That would have been a problem at this time of year no matter what year we did the project."

One Plymouth mother, who asked that her name not be used, said she uses the park at least once a week, and she would have liked to have seen the sprayscape get in earlier.

"I was hoping it would," she said. "I would have liked it for the summer, when it was hot."

Others said they'll like the feature once it's installed.

"It's something I would definitely use," said Anne Degener of Canton.

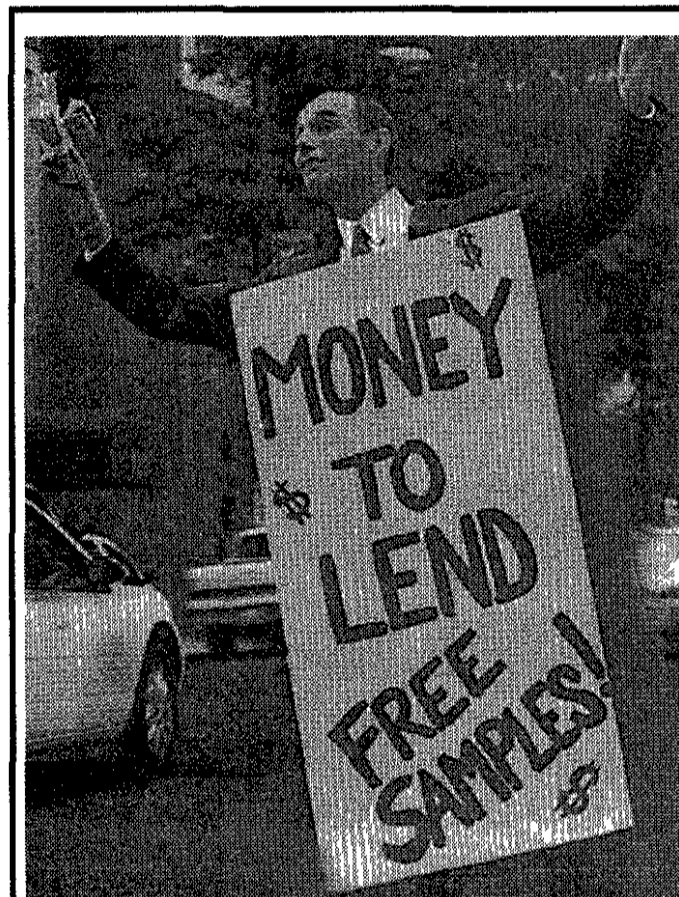
The project is nearly complete, with the fixtures in place and the posts for the wrought-iron fence up. Mann said the fence likely would be completed by next week. He said he hopes to turn the sprayscape on around Sept. 13, if possible.

The sprayscape will be user-operated, and available for use during park hours (8 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. during August, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. in September). It most likely will be turned off by the end of September, Mann said.

The park will also have an ice skating rink, which will be filled in the winter by a hydrant. These are investments in quality of life issues that will carry the community forward for years," Mann said.

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A memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 31 at Northville Christian Assembly, 41355 Six Mile Road, Northville at 11 a.m. with burial at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia for Erma Pilch, 76, of Canton who died Aug. 22 at Angela Hospice in Livonia.

Mrs. Pilch, one of the original residents of Canton Place-Senior Citizens housing complex, was an avid doll collector. She was born Nov. 17, 1925 in Calumet. She was a long-time homemaker in Detroit.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Stephen Pilch.

Survivors include daughter, Marlene Salinas of Canton, son, Robert Pilch of Lansing, granddaughters, Stefanie and Melanie Pilch of Lansing, grandson, Joseph Salinas of Canton, sisters, Regina Rangus of Livonia, Dorothy Knudsen of Mio and Gertrude Ravi of Livonia, and brother, Herbert Hantke of White Lake.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mrs. Pilch's name to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154-5010.

her grandchildren

Mrs. Aluia was preceded in death by her husband, William and son, William.

Survivors include daughter, Linda Boston of DeWitt, son, David (Claudia) Aluia of Houghton Lake, grandchildren, Dena, Matthew, Derek, Nathan and Kelly, great-grandchildren Christian, Aiden, and Mia, and brother, Al (Mary) Gruett of St. Louis, Mich.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

William Arthur Robinson

Services for William Robinson, 97, of Plymouth were held Aug. 16 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Carr officiating. Burial was at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia.

Mr. Robinson was born July 11, 1905 in Brantford, Ontario, Canada and died Aug. 14 in Plymouth. He was an accountant for the Burroughs Corporation for 35 years and then he was an accountant for the City of Livonia for 10 years.

He came to the Plymouth community in 1980 from Livonia.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Marguerite and brother, Norton Robinson.

Survivors include sons, William (Mary Jane) Robinson of Plymouth, and John (Maureen) Robinson of Oklahoma City Okla., grandchildren, Georgia Sanders, Jacquelin O'Connor, Victoria Smith, William Robinson, Elizabeth Richardson, Molly Buxler, James Robinson, Marguerite Pietrowski, John Keough, Pat English and Laurie Gumerson, and 27 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice in Livonia.

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Joan E. Strautz

Services for Joan Strautz, 72, of Henderson, Nev. (formerly of Plymouth) were held Aug. 16 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Mr. Sanford Burr officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Strautz was born Feb. 9,

1930 in Detroit and died Aug. 8 in Nevada. She was married in Plymouth and during the 43 years she lived in Plymouth, Joan created a loving home environment for her family where she raised six wonderful children. In 1996 she and her husband retired to Nevada, and built a new home.

Survivors include husband, Bill, son, Mark (Brooke) Strautz of Austin Texas, daughter, Randa (Tom) Williams of Plymouth, son, William Strautz Jr. of Chicago, daughter, Penny Leroue of Littleton, Colo., son, Pery (Debbie) Strautz of Livonia, and daughter, Kelly Strautz of Beverly Hills, Mich., and grandchildren Shelly and Ryan Williams of Plymouth, Matthew and Kenneth Leroue of Littleton, Colo., and Joshua, Brandon and Allie Strautz of Livonia.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart

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Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Kenneth E. Fisher

Services for Kenneth Fisher, 82, of Canton were held Aug. 13 at the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Deborah Leach and Dr. Robert Selberg officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Fisher was born Aug. 29, 1919 in Plymouth and died Aug. 11 in Dearborn. He was the former police chief and fire chief of Plymouth. He also was a former city manager. He was Director of Public Safety and a life-long Plymouth resident. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth (50 years), Past Commander of the Mayflower-Lt. Gamble Post 6695, a World War II veteran, president of the Michigan Police Chiefs, member of the Plymouth

Rotary Club, the Plymouth Optimist Club and the Plymouth Rock Masonic Lodge. He enjoyed fishing, grouse hunting, golfing, gardening and bowling. He enjoyed being with his grandchildren.

Survivors include wife, Alice Fisher of Canton, daughter, Susan (Michael Petrylka) Fisher of Plymouth, son, James C. (Donna) Fisher of Alanson, Mich., grandchildren, Jason Edward Fisher of Alanson, Ryan Paul Fisher of Harbor Springs, and Alysyn J.F. Petrylka of Plymouth, great-granddaughter, Alanna Ross of Alanson, two nieces and their children also survive.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Plymouth or the American Heart Association.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Darrell D. Allen

Services for Darrell Allen, 82, of Superior Township were held Aug. 17 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. Doc Ortman officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Allen was born April 5, 1920 in Goodland, Kan. and died Aug. 14 at Arbor Hospice. He was in sales.

Survivors include wife, Mary K. Allen of Superior Township, daughter Carleen (John) Lenders of Plymouth, daughter, Karen (Charles) Gulotta of San Diego, Calif., son, David (Cindy) Allen of Plymouth, daughter, Judy (Bruce) Edwards of Pennsylvania, son, Garry M. Allen of Canton, nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48103.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

James Michael Cleveland

Services for James Cleveland, 64, were held Aug. 20 at St. Thomas a Becket Church with burial at Parkview Cemetery.

Mr. Cleveland was born in 1938 in Detroit and died Aug. 17. He was a hi-lo driver.

Survivors include wife, Lillian, daughter, Nancy (Lou) Jaber and sons James (Patricia) Cleveland and Kurt Cleveland.

Arrangements made by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton Chapel.

Richard William Hall

Services for Richard Hall, 74, of Plymouth were held Aug. 19 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Roy G. Forsyth officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Hall was born Aug. 5, 1928 in Detroit and died Aug. 16 in Superior Township. He was a retired foreman for General Motors Corporation. He worked at the Powertrain Plant in Romulus. He came to the Plymouth community in 1966 from Dearborn Heights. He liked to golf, hunt and travel to Las Vegas. He was a loving father and grandfather.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Wanda Hall.

Survivors include son, Richard (Kim) Hall II of Plymouth, daughter, Pamela (Frank) Grzelak of Milan, grandchildren, Brandon and Jennifer Grzelak and Isabell and Liam Hall.

Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice. Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Lila Lucille Aluia

Services for Lila Aluia, 75, of South Lyon (formerly of Plymouth) were held Aug. 19 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with Mr. Sanford Burr officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mrs. Aluia was born Dec. 22, 1926 in Dearborn and died Aug. 15 in Ann Arbor. She worked at Michigan Bell Telephone Company as a telephone operator until her marriage to William in 1947. She was raised in Plymouth and graduated from Plymouth High School in 1944. She enjoyed reading, baking and cooking. She also was the caregiver for her husband when he was ill. She enjoyed writing stories and poems for

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OUR VIEWS

Elected officials put money where their hearts are

The sense of doom must have settled in on Darlene Dreyer almost from the beginning of the Aug. 19 Plymouth City Commission meeting.

Dreyer was there to ask the city for \$1,000 to help sponsor a special concert commemorating the anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

But the city commission has kept a pretty tight hand on the purse strings lately in the wake of Gov. Engler's since-over-ridden veto of the state budget, including the revenue sharing portion. In fact, a large part of the Aug. 19 meeting was spent deciding what *not* to spend money on.

And here was Dreyer, the executive director of the Plymouth Symphony, standing up to ask for \$1,000 for a concert that isn't even going to be held in the city (it's set for 7:30 p.m. Sept. 11 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church). It didn't look good.

"From the start of the meeting, funding was an issue, so I got pretty nervous," Dreyer recalled. "I thought there would be some controversy at even discussing it. I was a little anxious."

Here was the problem: Dreyer was asking the city to match grants already approved by Plymouth Township and Canton Township trustees, who had already stepped up to the plate to back the project. However, both grants came with the proviso that the city match. No city, no concert.

But with the city taking the position that no money should be spent lest the specter of revenue sharing cuts again be raised, the grant seemed, at best, unlikely. "It's an honorable event (but) I don't think it's fair to take taxpayer dollars and spend them on one community event while telling the city administration to put things on hold for the taxpayers," commissioner Michele Potter said.

That didn't mean there wasn't support for the project, in fact, the commission immediately proved they absolutely supported it by putting their own money where their mouths were. While murmuring in the audience and on the dais continued, commissioner Ron Louselle polled commissioners and city staffers, and came up with the money from personal donations.

City commissioners frequently draw criticism for the way they handle taxpayer money, and it's possible they would have gotten some flak had they approved this request out of city funds. Instead, they found a way to exercise their fiduciary responsibility to the city and still make sure a worthwhile cause got the support it deserved.

Elected officials are supposed to keep the best interests of their residents in mind. In Plymouth and Canton townships, and in the City of Plymouth, this vote showed they're doing just that.

Set rules for police recording interviews

Requiring police to videotape interrogations of suspects and subsequent confessions may not be the easiest way for police to do their work. However, it does seem time to consider establishing a standard procedure to ensure fairness and justice for everyone.

The case of a Lavonia double homicide at the Logan's restaurant spurred talk of the issue in this paper. In that case, the suspect had confessed to the murder, but in court the defense attorney wanted to know why the confession wasn't taped. The judge also wished it had been taped (while agreeing with the prosecution that the statement wasn't coerced).

The issue of taping was cited in other media this week with the story of a mentally ill Detroit man whose confession and conviction in the rape and murder of a teenager was overturned based on DNA evidence — but not until he'd spent 17 years in prison. The confession was reportedly on paper and some audio tape.

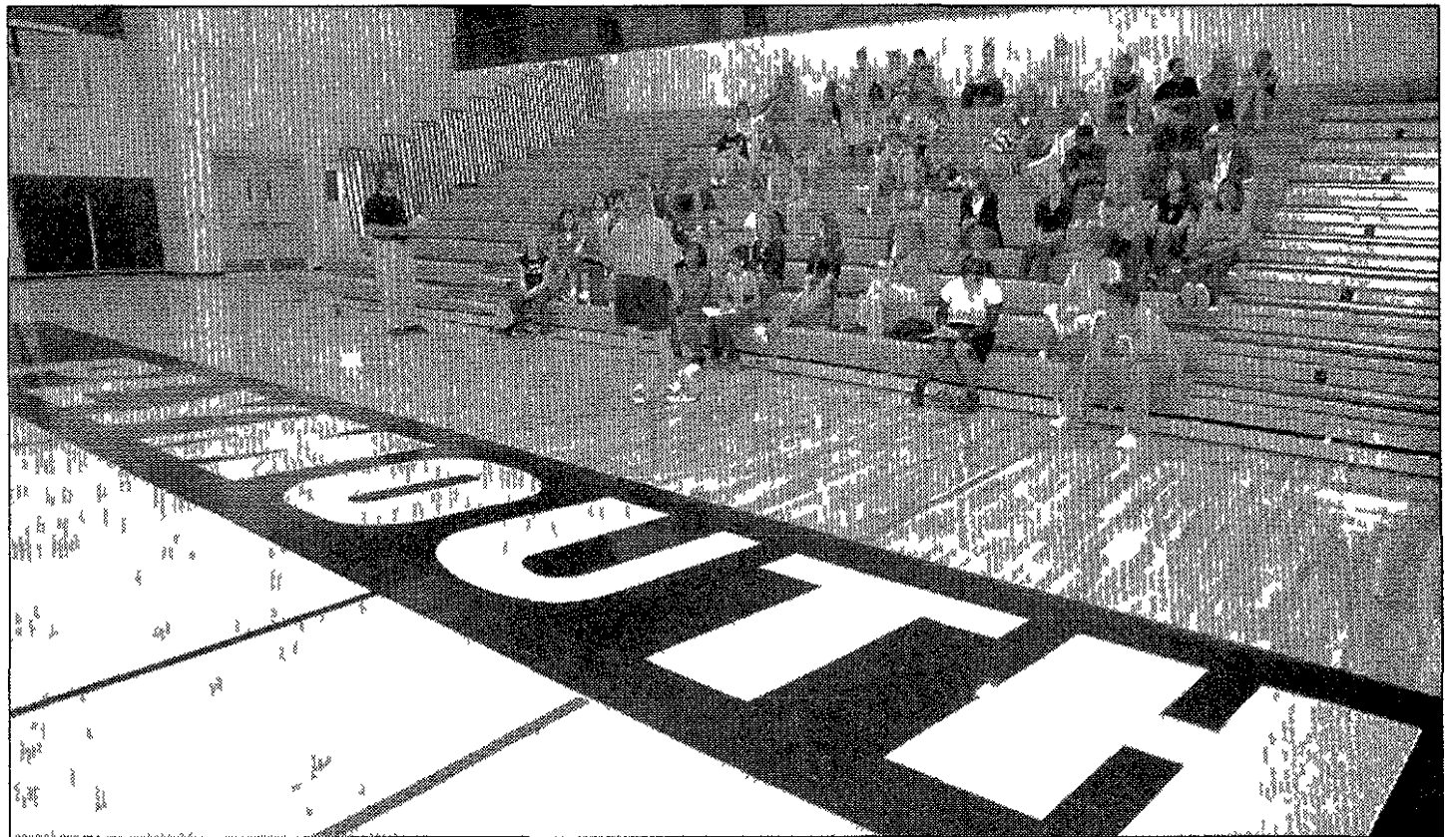
Local police have their reasons for not taping. Operating the recorder breaks up the flow or rapport of an interview/confession, recording equipment could fail or there could be claims of editing in the tape, and if you tape in one case, you'd have to tape in all cases. In addition, experts say the camera angle can be used to make a person look guilty or coerced.

All valid points. However, many would be overcome if there were a state or national standard. Videotaping, in capital cases especially, could be set up so that such recordings become second nature. Police interrogation rooms could be automatically set up to record. And angles could also be standardized.

If everything is recorded in these interviews, nothing can be subject to question. It's much like the in-car cameras which are now quite standard for police and which most often help protect police from charges of brutality or coercion.

While the issue certainly isn't as black-and-white as it might appear — after all the FBI doesn't use videotape — there are good reasons to come up with a national or state standard for local police to follow in capital cases.

As Redford Township's deputy chief John Buck said: "It provides you with a medium to present to the jury so they can see that there was no trickery and everything was done correctly."



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Physical Education teachers Tom Garrett and Val Canfield take attendance in the gym during second hour at Plymouth High School on the first day of school Monday.

LETTERS

Inappropriate manner

As a parishioner of Our Lady of Good Counsel, I must say that after reading the Observer's account of the protesting ordeal at the church, I felt compelled to write. These people do have a right to protest, but the manner in which they are doing so is highly inappropriate.

I spent four years on campus at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, where being openly pro-life is not exactly easy. But I stuck with my beliefs and became a member of the Students For Life. I also made my un-liberal presence known by responding to many left-wing editorials by the authors of the Michigan Daily in those four years.

In my senior year, SFL put on the Genocide Awareness Project, in which I participated. Our display area was the Diag, one of the busiest places on campus. The photos we displayed there were more graphic and gruesome than the ones these protesters are showing and much, much bigger. However, there is one huge difference.

The Genocide Awareness Project took place on a college campus, where the audience was 18 years of age and older. We also displayed signs at entrances to the Diag which warned people there were disturbing "GENOCIDE PHOTOS AHEAD."

These protesters are in front of our church, a place for people of all ages. They are getting in drivers' faces with their posters, and children in those cars are getting scared. Should little kids be subjected to such awful pictures? I didn't even know what abortion was until I was in the 10th grade! Now, these children are associating pictures of dismembered, aborted babies with coming to church. One little 4-year-old boy I know went home after Mass one week, and the first thing he said was, "The babies were dead, Mommy."

Would Jesus want this? I don't think so. To borrow from the popular acronym, What Would Jesus Do? Certainly not what these protesters are doing to young children, nor would He sue the Plymouth police. These people have made the assumption that all parishioners of OLG are pro-choice, which is simply not true. Whatever happened to "judge not lest ye be judged?"

Also, please make sure you get your facts straight. Father Doc Ortman never said he supported a particular candidate, in this case Granholm. He was simply trying to explain how people who call themselves "pro-choice" have taken this term to represent their group and beliefs. We are all free to choose things in life — God did give us a free will — but pro-choicers have taken the name in political correctness so they are not referred to by the more harsh term, "pro-abortion." It may be the woman's body, but there is another life inside of her, a baby who deserves the gift of life.

Oh, and Mr. Stephens, we pray for the salvation of all of us sinners, only God is without sin.

Amy K. Olszewski
Plymouth

Thanks to Meijer

On behalf of the students, staff, and community at Plymouth High School, I am writing to express our gratitude for Meijer's offer to sponsor Plymouth High School through its school partnership program.

Last Tuesday we welcomed our incoming freshmen and families to tour their new facility and meet faculty, support staff,

coaches and administrative personnel. Meijer's generous donation of cheese, crackers, veggie, chicken wings and cookies fed over 1,000 visitors! Many thanks to Patricia and staff for their exemplary efforts in delivering refreshments to our cafeteria including chilled bottled water. You thought of everything!

We are very pleased that Meijer has expressed interest in our new school family at Plymouth High School and we look forward to a strong working relationship. Your program is a wonderful example of the success that can be achieved when area businesses and the community pool their efforts to support education.

Your generosity contributed to the success of a very special evening for our new school family. Again, many thanks for the collaborative efforts of the wonderful staff at Meijer's.

Michael T. Bee, Principal
Plymouth High School

Not both ways

I am writing in response to the coverage in your newspaper about the protest at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Plymouth.

I have joined the protesters for the past several weeks because I am so upset by the deafening silence by members of the clergy to the public statements made by Jennifer Granholm that she is BOTH Catholic AND pro-abortion.

This is an absolute impossibility! You CANNOT be both. Choose (remember "choice") one or the other, Ms. Granholm. You must choose to follow the church's teachings on life or leave the church and remain pro-abortion.

Until the shepherds of this parish, or absent that, the shepherd of this diocese make this fact clear to their sheep, we will remain in public protest educating and praying.

Diane Stamp
Plymouth

Choose life

Thank you for the coverage calling attention to the so-called "pro-choice" position of Jennifer Granholm. Because of her views on abortion, Granholm has received the endorsement of the special interest group "Emily's List" — a totally pro-abortion group that supports women political candidates who fully agree with its agenda. That agenda includes support for partial-birth abortions and public funding of abortions. This means it wants abortion on demand and to force taxpayers who are truly pro-life into the killing fields of abortion clinics.

I respectfully disagree with Father Doc Ortman of Our Lady of Good Counsel who was quoted as saying that, "The concern (regarding Granholm's position on life) has come from a mistaken notion that being pro-choice is equal to being pro-abortion." Sorry, Father, but being pro-choice is being pro-abortion! In accepting the language of the pro-abortionist camp, Father has become a victim of its propaganda that tries to hide the reality of abortion.

Granholm should come clean and not hide her pro-abortion stance behind the euphemism of being "pro-choice." Choose life!

Margaret Spas
Canton

Protecting rights

I read with interest and approval your

editorial ("Protesters have right to opinion," Aug. 22) concerning the protesters at OLG. I was very appreciative of the fact you supported their First Amendment rights.

We live in a society that for the most part believes in post-1960s values. It is unfortunate that many of these values are therapy-based instead of reality-based. These values have been pushed upon us by institutions of higher education and those who believe their level of education makes them superior or even elitist. In some cases we have become convinced that to think or speak contrary to the social norm is somehow wrong. In other words, being politically correct is all that is important.

The very institutions that were founded upon open discussion and expression of ideas now ridicule anyone who is not politically correct or disagrees with their views. The protesters at OLG are not politically correct concerning their views on the abortion issue. That does not mean they are wrong, nor does it mean their rights are any less important than those who favor abortion.

The Bill of Rights spells out the basic civil liberties of American citizens which the government cannot violate. The First Amendment may have been listed first because it defines the most important, the most basic liberties of Americans. The First Amendment is why America exists. This constitutional amendment that protects the protesters' right to protest and display what is considered by some to be disturbing images of aborted fetuses also protects the rights of those who support other opinions on this issue.

Sometimes it is not easy to be an American. It is not always easy to remember that the First Amendment protects the rights of those that believe in therapy-based behaviors, blind tolerance and relativism, as well as those who believe in individual responsibility, objectivity, patriotism, and self-control. The First Amendment protects "adult" books, movies and magazines as well as the Bible, preachers and priests.

Show me someone who would spend their entire life shouting at the top of their lungs in disagreement with another and yet defend the other's right to speak, and I will show you a true American. Instead of calling the police because you disagree with the protesters at OLG, thank them for exercising their liberty and rights as Americans. If we do not exercise our rights they will become weak and useless.

Chris Hadley
Plymouth

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Start your engines! The governor's race is on

As a result of their conventions over the weekend, Republicans and Democrats now have their tickets set for the November general election. We can look forward to one of the most interesting and consequential elections in recent Michigan history, with the governorship vacant for the first time in more than a decade and both houses of the legislature potentially up for grabs.



Phil Power

At their party conventions over the weekend, GOP gubernatorial nominee Lt Gov Dick Posthumus picked State Sen Loren Bennett to be his running mate while his Democratic opponent Attorney General Jennifer Granholm tabbed State Sen John Cherry. Both selections highlight insights about the structure and dynamics of our major political parties.

Bennett, 51, is completing his second term in the state Senate. Before his election in 1994, he served six years as Canton Township Clerk. He was first elected to the township board in 1980, winning the part-time seat at age 29. He became interested in public office after attending a township meeting in the late 1970s when he was a member of the Jaycees.

By all accounts, Bennett is reasonably effective although not particularly inspiring lawmaker from Canton Township, the most rapidly growing community in vote-rich western Wayne County. A suburbanite who won in a slightly Republican district, Bennett offers some geographic balance to Posthumus, whose roots are deep in rural western Michigan. Whether he'll be a good attack dog against Granholm remains to be seen.

Most experts I talked with over the weekend called the nomination safe but uninspired. One pointed out that Posthumus is the underdog in this race, and playing safe is hardly the way to jump-start a campaign that's already well behind.

An alternative, he said, would have been to select a moderate like State Sen John "Joe" Schwarz — who differs with Posthumus on abortion and gun control but who appeals to suburban women and moderates — and have a big fight at the GOP convention.

"That way, win or lose," said my source, "Posthumus would have demonstrated his willingness to reach beyond the traditional Republican base."

Win or lose? Lose badly, I suspect. The Republican state party apparatus — staunchly Right to Life and pro-gun — is firmly in control of any GOP convention vote. Schwarz, who could have been an asset to the ticket in the November election, is anathema to the GOP establishment. And history suggests that even

Gov John Engler was not always able to control his own convention against the establishment, witness the 1998 selection of John Smetanka over Scott Romney for Attorney General — a convention choice that opened the way for Granholm's election and subsequent rapid rise.

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Looking at the Democratic selection is equally illuminating. Sen Cherry, 51, of Clio (near Flint), has a wealth of legislative experience. He served two terms in the state House and four terms in the state Senate, where he was widely respected on both sides of the aisle.

Direct, sometimes to the point of gruffness, Cherry offers voters a contrast to Granholm. He's close to organized labor (Granholm was backed in the primary by only the teachers and the teamsters), has a mixed voting record on abortion (Granholm says she's solidly pro-choice) and is largely pro-gun (Granholm helped organize a ballot drive against the law that eased the barriers to getting a concealed weapon permit).

For Granholm, who clearly understands that a major Republican attack will be on her lack of Lansing experience (she's only served four years in the capital city), Cherry offers reassuring legislative seniority. Moreover, Granholm realizes that if elected governor in November, she will likely be facing at least one house of the legislature controlled by the opposing party. She will have to govern out of the center and to do so she will need somebody who knows the ins and outs of the legislative process. Cherry helps.

And at a Democratic convention, where a majority of the voting delegates are members of organized labor, picking a union ally helps solidify the party after what could have been a bruising primary election.

Lady and gentleman, start your engines! The race is on.

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.

The possibility of having a topless bar in Old Village is nothing more than a contrived issue for critics

Got an interesting anonymous note the other day, wondering why we haven't bashed the city commission for opening the city up to the possibility of a topless bar, while covering the controversy over Jennifer Granholm's pro-choice stance.

The two aren't remotely connected, but that doesn't really matter. It's an easy question to answer.



Brad Kadrich

We covered the protesters at Our Lady of Good Counsel because they're making a public statement, with overt public acts that are affecting the operations of a Plymouth Township church. We wrote a story that presented both sides of the argument, and an editorial standing up for the rights of the protesters. As Plymouth Township treasurer Ron Edwards correctly noted during one of our regular talks, "If a newspaper doesn't stand up for free speech, who's going to?"

That doesn't mean we necessarily agree with what they're saying, we simply defend to the death their right to say it. Personally, I think what they're doing constitutes preaching to the choir. Their tactics aren't going to change the minds of any pro-choice (anti-abortion, if you prefer) advocates, in fact, using those disgusting pictures is more likely to deepen their convictions. And, of course, the pro-life segment of society already agrees with them, although many of those people also disagree with the tactics demonstrators are using.

I like what Ned McGrath, the spokesman for the Catholic archdiocese, said. McGrath felt like the people demonstrating outside OLCG might be better off helping candidates who agree with them, rather than attacking candidates who don't.

As for the topless bar, it simply isn't going to happen. It's a created issue, just like the fate of Central Middle School was during the last city election. It's another way for critics of the city commission to twist actions to make commissioners look bad.

City commissioners care too much about their town, have too much respect for their neighborhoods, to let something like that set up shop. That might trigger those frail city newsletter criticisms that have been leveled at us from down the street (which is silly, since we've taken more than our share of opportunities to criticize the city), but I'll make this wager: If a topless bar ever opens its doors anywhere in the city of Plymouth, I'll let the editor

of the city's only newsmagazine shave my head on the steps of City Hall.

It's a shame the school district couldn't find anyone with any enthusiasm to take over for the departed Kathleen Booher as the superintendent, isn't it (note the tongue-in-cheek tone)?

Jim Ryan, the interim superintendent (at least until the school board reviews his performance in December), was in his element Monday as the first year of his tenure began with a bang. He got a new building (Plymouth High School) open, and he got the 17,000-student district started in style.

It's the greatest day of the year, the 54-year-old Ryan said. "This is what it's all about. Everybody's worked all summer to get buildings ready for the kids to return. This is the celebration point, when it all goes well."

Everything's a celebration for Ryan, who lost both of his parents to smoking by the age of 50. Ryan has surpassed that age, and wakes up every morning thankful for the chance to live another day.

"I know it sounds (cliche), the likable Ryan said. "But I really am thankful every morning I'm 54 years old, and every day I'm alive is a great day."

Ryan, chosen almost as a symbol of stability in the wake of Booher's now-you-see-me, now-you-don't-act last year, was extremely pleased with how the first day went, right down to the scheduling of a half-day beginning.

"We came up with the half-day for the opener, and I think that's good," Ryan said. "Kids have trouble sleeping the night before. I know I did. Everybody's excited. I saw a lot of parents picking up kids, going to lunch together, kids riding their bikes. Now everyone comes back (Tuesday) for the first full day."

It's tough to find anyone in the district who isn't encouraged by Ryan's presence. The guy is honest, forthright and forthcoming. By most accounts, his style is 180 degrees from the wrought-iron fist with which Booher ruled the district, which must come as a deep breath of fresh air to district staffers.

Here's a piece of advice for school board president Liz Givens and her cohorts: Let's remove the interim tag from this guy's label now, rather than waiting for any December review. He's shown his loyalty to the district, and he's earned the right to do the job free of any labels.

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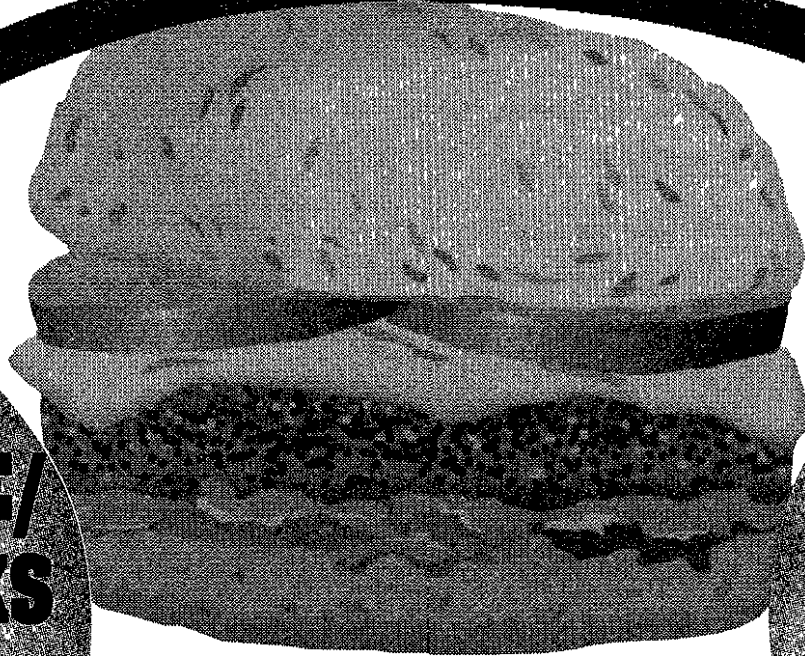
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Couch potato

Here's a chance to hold your own *Dark Shadows* marathon at home. *Dark Shadows DVD Collection Two* (\$59.98) with 40 episodes of the popular 1960s-70s spooky soap opera was released on DVD this week.

The four disc set tells the bewitching story of immortal vampire Barnabas Collins and the people of fictional Collinsport.

The set includes show episodes 251-290 as well as bonus interviews with series creator Dan Curtis and actors *Dark Shadows* inspired two movies two novels and currently airs on the Sci-Fi Channel.

Everybody polka!

Can't polka? You'll also find rock bands like the Howling Diablos at this year's Hamtramck Labor Day Festival Saturday Aug 30 Monday Sept 2.

The Howling Diablos perform at 7 p.m. Monday Sept 2 on the festival's north stage.

The Polish Muslims Squeeze Doctors Brothers Groove The Witches Waxwings and many other local groups will entertain during the three-day event.



Howling Diablos

Visitors also will find ethnic food booths a petting zoo puppet shows story tellers a classic car cruise a parade (1 p.m. Monday Sept 2) and polka bands.

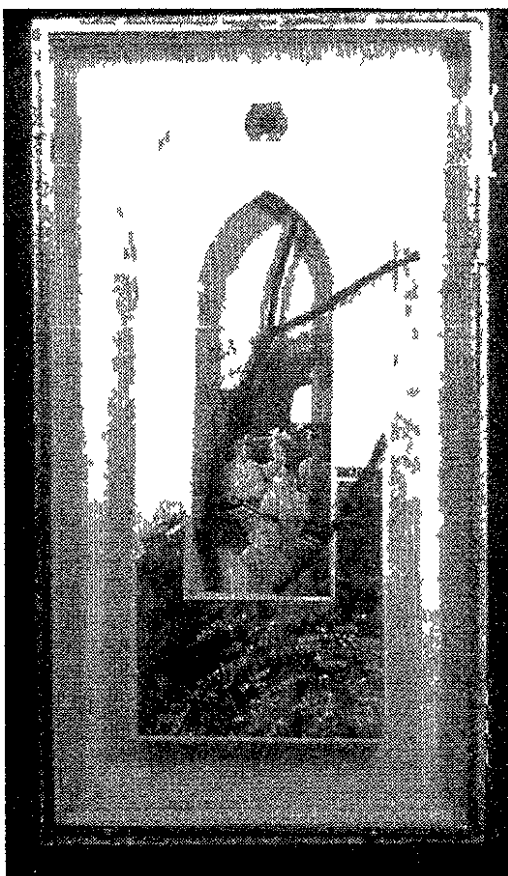
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Four-day festival bigger and better than ever



Michele Riddell Bagnasco shows her 3-D mixed media work along with more than 180 artists at Chrysler Arts, Beats & Eats

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Arts, Beats & Eats and the band 38 Special have something in common — a history of pleasing crowds. Granted the four-day festival's only been around five years compared to the rock groups' 27, but both continue to develop and mature.

From Aug. 30 to Sept. 2, the extravaganza of visual art, music and food fills the streets of downtown Pontiac with 185 exhibitors, 43 restaurants and nearly 140 local acts plus headliners 38 Special, Clarence Clemons Temple of Soul, Isley Brothers, Sawyer Brown, Alexander Zonjic and his Smooth Jazz All Stars, Stewart Francke, and Grunder with Red Wings star Darren McCarty. Last year's event drew 1.3 million people.

"The event is growing in size to fit our large crowds," said producer Jon Witz of Troy. "We've

increased the amount of activities for kids.

It costs almost a \$1 million dollars to put on, \$225,000 for music and \$50,000 for power alone. There's lots of great stuff for families. New is the Detroit Pistons interactive basketball shooting contest with opportunities to win prizes. We have pedal cars, nine kiddie rides, an arts and crafts center, entertainment for kids. There will be everything from Italian to Mexican, seafood, Indian, and Greek food. New is the restaurant Sweet Georgia Brown and Detroit Lion Herman Moore's Braideaux Pizza.

"We've given almost \$800,000 to charities like the Rainbow Connection, Haven and Fanclub Foundation for the Arts in the last four years, \$237,000 to charity last year just from food sales. There are 15 food themes, 17 different music styles. Something for everyone has always been our

motto and people will definitely not be disappointed this year and the admission is free.

Michele Riddell Bagnasco likes the energy of the festival. It's one of the reasons the Plymouth artist decided to show her 3-dimensional mixed

PLEASE SEE FESTIVAL, B2



Kalamazoo artist Lewis Tardy is sure to stop crowds with his large-scale sculptures made from automobile parts and welded steel.

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What: The festival features 185 artists, 43 restaurants, nearly 140 local acts plus headliners 38 Special, Clarence Clemons, Temple of Soul, Isley Brothers and Sawyer Brown on 5-stages, children's entertainment on the Farmer Jack stage, activities for all ages.

When: 4-11 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, Aug. 31-Sept. 1; 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2.

Where: Downtown Pontiac. Parking available at Phoenix Center, Woodward and Water Street (\$8) or take a shuttle from the Pontiac Silverdome, Opdyke Road and M-59 (\$5 per vehicle). For more information, call (248) 975-8850 or visit the Web site at artsbeatsands.com.

Hart Plaza hosts legendary and local jazz artists at festival

Put on Pete Fountain's *Swingin' Blues* CD and see if you can keep from dancing. The legendary clarinetist swings Dixieland like no one else can. That's because the 72-year-old Fountain was born and raised in New Orleans, the birthplace of the only true American art form — jazz.

By age nine he'd already taken up clarinet after a doctor told his mother he had weak lungs and suggested they either move to the country or Pete take up a wind instrument. He chose clarinet and by 14 had formed a band to play New Orleans clubs on the weekends. At 17 he was earning a



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Linda Chomin

reputation for his musical skills in the strip clubs on Bourbon Street.

His fame soon spread as a mainstay on the Lawrence Welk Show in the late 1950s. Families across America tuned in just to see Fountain play New Orleans jazz. Shortly after he opened a jazz club in the French Quarter

where he still plays three nights a week.

On Monday, Sept. 2, Fountain will have the crowd on their feet in Hart Plaza for the final concert of the 23rd annual Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival which opens Friday, Aug. 30. Like a piper, he'll lead them *Up a Lazy River* then rattle their bones with *Muskrat Ramble*. He's played Detroit a dozen times over the years.

"I always loved jazz and growing up where all the jazz musicians played," said Fountain. "Now I'm only out on the road twice a month. I lived in a bus for many years for one-nighters pay-

ing my dues. I got rid of the bus and we fly now."

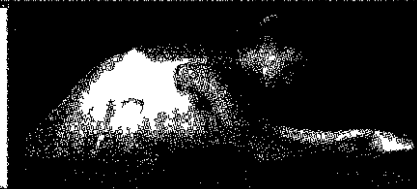
Louis Armstrong, Harry James, Al Hirt are just a few of the legends Fountain's played with over the years. In between he found time to record 90 albums, perform for four U.S. presidents, and appear on the Ed Sullivan and Johnny Carson shows. In fact, he was on Carson's *Tonight Show* a total of 59 times. Fountain's never lost his quick wit. He jokes that age hasn't changed him much but he used to be 6-foot, 5-inches and now he's 5-foot, 6.



Legendary clarinetist Pete Fountain performs 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2, at the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival.

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Ballet Shoes or Wing Tips?



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FESTIVAL

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media Earlier this summer her work intrigued crowds in Greektown and at the Ann Arbor State Street Art Fair

Like Arts, Beats & Eats organizers, Bagnasco sees herself as evolving

"My work is collage using vintage photos and found objects and are based on stories or quotes They have messages about core values

that people believe in and that people can live by," said Bagnasco, who earned a bachelor of fine arts degree from the University of Michigan in 1987 then went on to work in design and illustration before turning to

fine art two years ago "I use old shutters for frames, old keys, pieces of wood and trim from flea markets, salvage yards and antique stores It's kind of like improvisation with the found objects It gives you inspiration It gives a surreal feel

"I like Arts, Beats & Eats because it's an upbeat, urban setting with the music and different foods It has a lot of energy"

Bagnasco's art is typical of works shown in the festival Art director Lisa Konikow looks for creativity and overall quality of craftsmanship The Bloomfield Township resident knows art She used to manage the former Xochipilli gallery in Birmingham

"We had over 900 artists apply from across the U S and Canada," said Konikow "It's a juried fine arts show featuring ceramics, painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, digital art, fabric/fiber, glass, wood, graphics, printmaking, jewelry (precious and non-precious metal), and mixed media (2-D and 3-D)

The \$10,000 in awards drew some of the best local artists as well including Stan Megdall (glass), Barbara and Ernest Abel (photography) and Susan Cobb (fabric/fiber) of West Bloomfield, Donna Beaubien (mixed media) Troy, Adam Shirley (jewelry) Birmingham, and William Thayer (photography)

Redford Kalamazoo artist

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"When I'm excited I'm thrilled," said Konikow "I've been here since the inception We've streamlined what we do We have package pickup for patrons We started with 100 artists and in a few short years have earned a reputation as the 23rd best fine art show in the nation by Sunshine Artist magazine"

Lori Witz is just as determined to earn a reputation for the music portion of the festival She weeded through 300 submissions and CDs looking for a professional sound and different styles of music "She found up and coming artists like Southfield jazz flutist Althea Rene (see related story)

"We have six stages including the Farmer Jack stage for kids," said Lori Witz, music coordinator "We try to keep it separate The Flagstar Bank stage is rock, jazz and country, Pepsi is all types of rock, Miller Lite is blues, r & b with some jazz, Anti-Defamation League is all acoustic music, Dodge is Latin to country"

Donnie Van Zant and 38 Special bring new music as well as old favorites like Hold on Loosely and Caught Up in You to the Flagstar Bank stage 8 30 p m Saturday, Aug 31 They've been on a whirlwind tour since February crisscrossing the nation

Van Zant took a few minutes from a stop in Alaska to talk about the new CD 38 Special is recording in their Atlanta, Ga studio

"We have 8-tracks together already," said Van Zant "It's a rock n' roll record We wanted something that was up in your face We wanted to get back to it

"It's been a very busy year We released A Wild Eyed Christmas Night with traditional music and four originals at the end of 2001, did a Warner Bros tribute CD for Hank Williams, and recorded a sound track to Super Troopers, a movie about troopers with an attitude"

Not bad for a band celebrating its 27th anniversary While others have come and gone, 38 Special keeps rolling on After it finishes this tour in October, it records and then it's back on the road in February Van Zant said he draws his energy from the crowd especially on nights like this one in Alaska After spending 7 1/2 hours on the plane and another two in the car, the group hits the stage ready to rock

"We're some busy old guys," said Van Zant "We'll keep playing as long as we keep having fun

"We invite everyone to come out I guarantee they'll leave with a smile on their face"

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Chow down at Arts, Beats & Eat

Kirk Swanson's customers love his nutty noodles

And after tasting the vegetarian dish at last year's Arts, Beats & Eats, downtown Pontiac's Labor Day weekend festival, patrons kept asking for more

"Nutty Noodle is a cold salad It's easy to eat," said Swanson, general manager at Str Crazy in Auburn Hills "I had a lot of requests for it"

Unfortunately for noodle lovers, Swanson doesn't keep the dish on Str Crazy's regular menu But he will bring it back to Arts, Beats & Eats this weekend

The restaurant's regular menu includes create-your-own stir-fry dishes, steaks, rice, salads Asian noodles, appetizers, fish and homemade desserts Swanson serves a handful of entrees at Arts, Beats & Eats

"What I try to do is not necessarily represent my menu there, but make what's

easy to eat I serve Sesame Chicken on a stick The flavor is ours but it's served differently," he explained

Str Crazy staff will serve two other chicken entrees, including a sweet and spicy dish, at the festival this year

Arts, Beats & Eats runs 4 p m-11 p m Friday, Aug 30, 11 a m-11 p m Saturday-Sunday, Aug 31-Sept 1 and 11 a m-8 p m, Monday, Sept 2

Str Crazy is one of approximately 40 restaurants and food vendors representing the "eats" part of the festival

Bennigans, for example, will serve Southwestern egg roles and pineapple salsa, quesadillas, bamboo chicken and shrimp

The Heathers Club of Bloomfield Hills will prepare chocolate crepes, fruit crepes, brownies, cream puffs and cheesecake for its fifth year at Arts, Beats & Eats

"Everything we are serving at the festival, we serve here,

in the club," said Donna Carr, banquet manager

She selects desserts that patrons and servers can handle easily in a festival setting

"It's a great festival and it serves us well," she added Swanson said Str Crazy receives great exposure through the four-day event

The staff will hand out temporary tattoos this year in addition to selling food

A sampling of Arts, Beats & Eats vendors Sweet Georgia Brown, Picanos, Rainforest Cafe, Rangoli Indian Cuisine, Baja Fresh Mexican Grill, Mesquite Creek Steakhouse, Benihana, Heat (formerly Crazy Moe's), Duggan's Irish Pub, Kerby's Koney Island, Rosie O Grady's Pub, Olympian Cafe, Larry's Soul Pub, Bangkok Cuisine Express, Pike Street Restaurant, The Sheik and BD's Mongolian Barbecue

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Jazz flutist proud of aggressive style

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

There's no doubt Althea Rene loves her flute. The Southfield musician in turn goes from caressing beautiful sound out of the instrument to aggressively playing jazz as if her life depended on it. According to Rene, sometimes it does.

But hear for yourself when Rene debuts cuts from her new CD *Chocolate Rush* 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 1, on the Miller Lite Stage at Chrysler Arts, Beats & Eats.

"Flute adds a sassy element," said Rene. "There's a lot of mystique around it. People don't look for women to play aggressively. That comes from years of sitting in with male musicians. They play really loud to cover me up but they're not going to shut me out. That's where my aggressive style came from."

Determined to be heard, Rene switched from performing with male musicians to the all-female jazz group Straight Ahead in 1997. The band, which remains together, plays the Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 30, on the Amphitheatre Stage in Hart Plaza.

According to Rene, each of the members want to be able to express themselves individually as well as collectively. She's been taking her group Althea Rene & Friends to different venues around town like the Ann Arbor Arts Fairs for the last few years. She recorded her first CD *Flute Talk* in 1998.

Rene started performing professionally after studying classical flute at Howard University on a scholarship. After picking up her sister's instrument at age 4, Rene found she couldn't put it down and went on to seriously study the instrument with Clement Brown, then principal flutist with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Over the years Rene did studio work in nine countries recording everything from



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Southfield flutist

folk music to children's lullabies.

Her father trumpeter Dezie McCullers was with the Motown Revue so music always played a large part in her life. In fact, her two brothers Dezie Jr. (saxophone) and Franklin (trumpet) perform on her new CD.

Chocolate Rush officially makes it debut Sept. 20 at Baker's in Detroit. Rene labels the recording of nearly all originals as "urban contemporary jazz." Rene plays at Baker's the third Friday of every month.

"I started playing jazz after Howard," said Rene. "Classical requires a high level of concentration. I was practicing six hours a day. You're told when to breathe. Jazz gives you freedom to play the way you feel it."

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Friday
Eightfold Path rock 5 p.m.
Howling Diablos rock 6 p.m.
Michelle Branch rock 7:30 p.m.
Grinder rock 8:45 p.m.
Live alternative rock 10 p.m.

Saturday
Jonathan Butler jazz 4 p.m.
Alexander Zojnic's Detroit Smooth Jazz All Stars with Dave McMurray Rayse Biggs and Tim Bowman 6:30 p.m.
38 Special rock 8:30 p.m.
Clarence Clemons Temple of Soul rock 10 p.m.

Sunday
Quincy Stewart Quartet jazz 4 p.m.
Stewart Francke rock 5 p.m.
Ground Level jazz/R&B 6:30 p.m.
Back in the Day funk 7:45 p.m.
The Isley Brothers R&B 9:30 p.m.

Monday
That Damn Band country rock 1 p.m.
The Drive By Truckers country rock 2:30 p.m.
Cindy Thompson country 4 p.m.
Sawyer Brown country 6 p.m.

PEPSI STAGE

Friday
Timecube instrumental rock 5 p.m.
South Normal pop rock 6 p.m.
Radiocraft rock 7 p.m.
Elephant Gerald rock 8 p.m.
Calling Marvin rock 9 p.m.

Saturday
Silverweed rock noon
Tongue & Groove funk rock 1 p.m.
Electric Magi rock 2 p.m.
Tripper rock 3 p.m.
Slewfoot original pop rock 4 p.m.
Step 13 rock 5 p.m.
Automatic modern rock 6 p.m.
Dusty Lubido rock 7 p.m.
Brothers From Another Planet funk/rock 8 p.m.
Rooster rock 9 p.m.

Sunday
Some Assembly Required alternative rock noon
Rudderhead Lounge modern rock 1 p.m.
Annamity alternative rock 2 p.m.
Lucie Jones power pop rock 3 p.m.
Fanboy ska punk rock 4 p.m.
Gold Cash Gold soulful rock 5 p.m.
Gods Made Love classic rock nouveau 6 p.m.
Bella Red modern rock 7 p.m.
Chrome Files rock 8 p.m.
50 Cent Headrush rock 9 p.m.

Monday
Olupus pop rock noon
Masquerade rock 1 p.m.
Nashville classic rock 2 p.m.
Michael King Band pop rock 3 p.m.
Michelle Penn acoustic rock 4 p.m.
Radio roots rock 5 p.m.
Jill Jack rock 6 p.m.

ARTS, BEATS & EATS MUSIC

MILLER LITE STAGE

Friday
Buster's Blues Band blues 5 p.m.
Chef Chris & The Nairobi Trio R&B/Motown 6 p.m.
Jeremy Kittle! Celtic and jazz fiddling 7 p.m.
Bobby Jackson Blues Band high energy rockin blues 7 p.m.
Mudpuppy featuring Paul Randolph R&B and New Orleans style blues 8 p.m.
Mark Arshak Band blues 9 p.m.

Saturday
The Witch Doctors blues noon
Daniel Carthane jazz 1 p.m.
Lisa Cunningham & 7th Heaven R&B 2 p.m.
Michael Katon blues 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Reverb Rockers rockin blues 4 p.m.
Curtis Sumter blues 5 p.m.
Rev Marc Falconberry blues 6 p.m.
Charles Anthony & Friends R&B 7 p.m.
The Brothers Groove R&B/jazz 9 p.m.

Sunday
Shirley Franklin & Delta Drive Texas style rock and blues noon
Complete Breakfast funk improv 1 p.m.
Warren Commission jazz 2 p.m.
Jibilian progressive fusion 3 p.m.
Greg Fingers Taylor blues 4 p.m.
Stewin Bone Rock n jazz edged R&B 5 p.m.
Chunky Funk Band R&B/jazz 6 p.m.
Amanda Waggener hard drivin blues 7 p.m.
Yancy jazz 8 p.m.
Althea Rene jazz 9 p.m.

Monday
Woody Washington R&B noon
David Myles & The Mylestones jazz 1 p.m.
Sharrie Williams & The WiseGuys blues 2 p.m.
Deb Alane & The David Lee Trio R&B 3 p.m.
Brett Lucas Band rockin blues 4 p.m.
Gwen & Charles Scales R&B 5 p.m.
Kimmie Horne R&B/jazz 6 p.m.

ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE STAGE

Friday
John D Lamb acoustic folk rock 5 p.m.
Wyatt Gregory pop 6 p.m.
David Mosher folk roots 7 p.m.
Sista Otis funky folk 8 p.m.

Saturday
Tamara Bedricky pop rock noon
Tom Galasso acoustic blues 1 p.m.
Pete Big Dog Fetters acoustic blues 2 p.m.
Delivery Boys folk roots 3 p.m.
Jo Serrapere & Willie Dunns 4 p.m.
Wally Pleasant acoustic comedy folk rock 5 p.m.
Julie Kryk pop 6 p.m.
Jan Krst acoustic folk rock 7 p.m.

Sunday
Jeff Crawford of Twin Pigs acoustic rock noon
Rufus Harris acoustic gospel 1 p.m.
Kolo folk rock 2 p.m.
Lisa Hunter folk rock 3 p.m.

Ethan Daniel Davidson socially conscious folk 4 p.m.
Annie Capps acoustic rock 5 p.m.
Audra Kubat urban folk 6 p.m.
Jeremy Kittle! Celtic and jazz fiddling 7 p.m.
Monday
Mark Reitenga & Steve Adams rock noon
Danny Cox rock 1 p.m.
Jess Doman pop 2 p.m.
Terry Gonda pop/folk rock 3 p.m.
Stephen Grant Wood 4 p.m.
Lori Amey folk pop 5 p.m.

DODGE AMERICANA STAGE

Friday
Replica Junkies pop 5 p.m.
Blue J's folksy roots 6 p.m.
Tangerine Trousers folk rockoustic 7 p.m.
Saoco Latin jazz 8 p.m.
Uprizin steel drums 9 p.m.

Saturday
Hidden Agenda R&B/pop noon
47 Uma world beat 1 p.m.
Ridge Runners country 3 p.m.
Fonnmhor Celtic 4 p.m.
Forbes Brothers country 5 p.m.
Benny Cruz Y Buena Vida Latin 6 p.m.
Superdot ska a billy 7 p.m.

Mr Moody rock 8 p.m.
Twistin' Tarantuals sing a billy 9 p.m.
Sunday
The Troubadours Latin gypsy noon
Lazy Crazies rockabilly 1 p.m.
Central Cruz Latin/soul rock 2 p.m.
Company of Strangers folk Celtic rock 3 p.m.
Judy Harrison & High Impact country 4 p.m.
Jelly's Pierced Tatto roots acoustic world beat 5 p.m.
Barbara Payton pop/rock 6 p.m.
Tony Phillips country 7 p.m.
Immunity reggae 8 p.m.
Impact 7 Motown funk 9 p.m.

Monday
The Steve Gilbert Band roots pop/country rock noon
The Wrenfields country edged rock 1 p.m.
Dangerville rockabilly with attitude 2 p.m.
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COMING ATTRACTIONS

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, AUG. 30

FEARDOTCOM

A series of deaths arouse the suspicion of a police detective (Dorff) and a health examiner (McElhone) who suspect it may all have to do with the victims' shared visits to a web site called Feardotcom run by a black widow woman who may be playing a deadly game. Stars Stephen Dorff, Udo Kier, Natascha McElhone, Stephen Rea, Jeffrey Combs, Gesine Cukrowski. Directed by William Malone. (Warner Bros.) Rated R. Running time: 98 minutes.

to get lucky only to discover that they accidentally booked an all gay cruise instead. Wacky hijinks soon ensue. Stars Cuba Gooding Jr., Horatio Sanz, Will Ferrell, Vivica A. Fox, Artie Lange, Roger Moore (Lloyd), Richard Roundtree, Roselyn Sanchez (Britt), Lin Shaye, Victor Sivstvedt. Directed by Mort Nathan. (Artisan Ent.)

CITY BY THE SEA

Vincent LaMarca is a NYPD police detective whose father was executed at Sing Sing Prison in the 1950s for kidnapping and murdering a child. Now while investigating the murder

of a surfer on Long Beach (aka The City by the Sea) he has discovered that his own son, Joey, is the primary suspect. Even as he's grappling with the news, he also has to deal with the media, which quickly swoops in on the case. Stars Robert De Niro, James Franco, Eliza Dushku, William Forsythe, Patti LuPone, Frances McDormand, George Dzundza. Directed by Michael Catton Jones. (Warner Bros.) Rated R. Running time: 98 minutes.

PAID IN FULL

From behind the counter of the dry cleaner where he works, Ace longingly

covets the expensive cars and flashy clothes of his friends, Mitch and Calvin. But with a chance encounter, Ace's world is about to dramatically change. On a routine laundry drop-off, Ace meets Lulu, whose apartment and elaborate jewelry hint at a life of luxury. Ace is quickly lured into the world of drug dealing, where easy money affords him a position in the illicit underworld. But as his friends and family become pawns and victims, Ace realizes that he must pay a high price for his growing success. Stars Wood Harris, Regina Hall, Kevin Carroll, Esa Morales, Elise Neal, Cameron Chi McBride, and Mekhi Phifer. Directed by Charles Stone III. (Miramax)

SWIMFAN

The life of a championship swimmer and his romance with his high school sweetheart are shattered with the arrival of a seductive new girl in town, who quickly sets her sights on the impressionable young man. She becomes his biggest fan and most unexpected nightmare as her

obsessions quickly spiral out of control into betrayal, madness, and ultimately murder. Featured players include Jesse Bradford (*Bring It On*), Shiri Appleby (*TV's Roswell*) as Amy, and Erika Christensen (*Traffic*) as Madison, the new girl with the fatal attraction. Kate Burton and Dan Hedaya. Directed by John Polson. (Twentieth Century Fox) PG-13

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

BARBERSHOP

Ice Cube (*Ghosts of Mars*) stars as Calvin, the owner of a barbershop in the South Side of Chicago. The comedy, which takes place during the course of one day, features Cedric The Entertainer (*Kingdom Come*) as Eddie, the old barber in the shop who everyone tries to avoid; Anthony (Two Can Play That Game) Anderson as a thief and rap artist; Eve as Terri, a shop worker whose boyfriend is cheating on her. Tim Story directed the comedy, marking his first since completing *Superstar* in 1999. (Sony Pictures) Rated PG-13

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LES DESTINEES

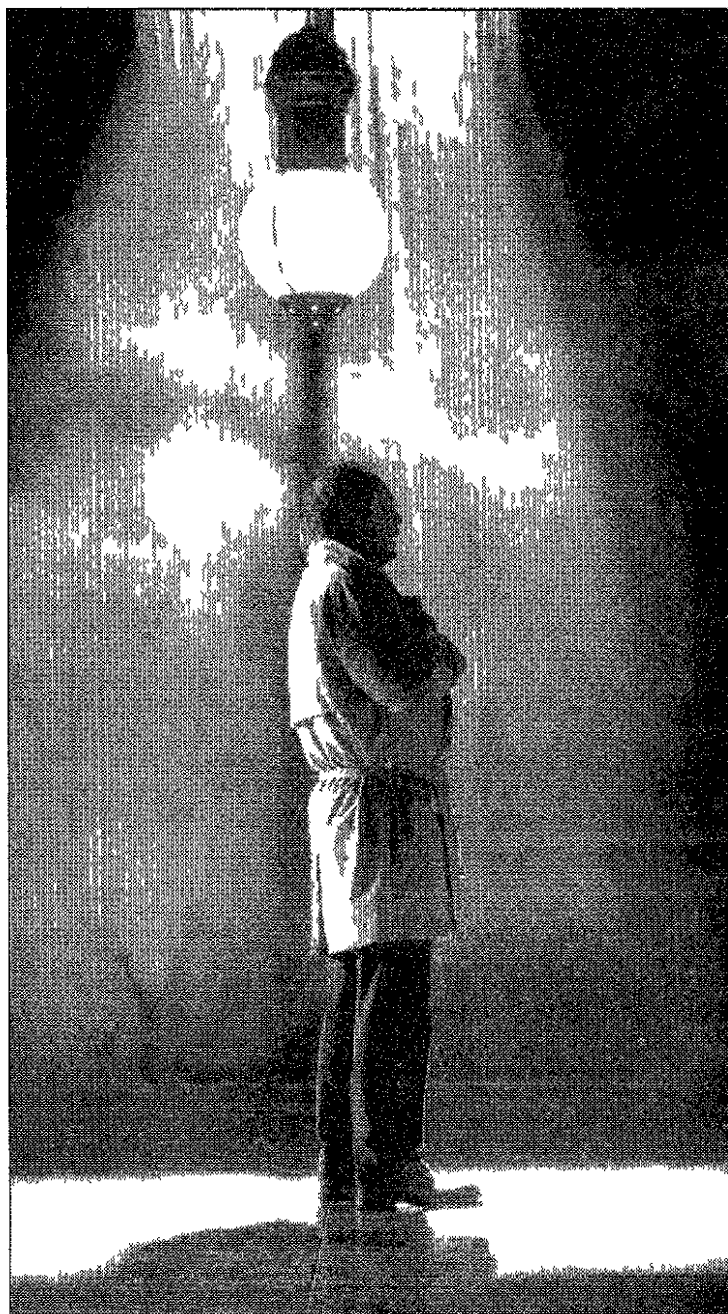
Set over 30 years from 1900 to 1930 through hard economic times and the Great War, this is the epic story of one French man's (Charles Berling) evolution from being a Presbyterian minister to running the family's porcelain factory, framed by his romance and marriage to Pauline (Emanuelle Beart) for whom he left the church and France. (Wellspring Media) Rating: Unknown

STEALING HARVARD

Jason (Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back) Lee stars as John Plummer, a guy who turns to a life of crime to finance his niece's college tuition. Featured players include Leslie (Orange County) Mann as John's girlfriend, Tom (Freddy Got Fingered) Green as his best friend, Megan Mullally (from *TV's Will and Grace*) and Dennis (Big Trouble) Farina. Bruce McCulloch directed the comedy, marking his first since completing *Superstar* in 1999. (Sony Pictures) Rated PG-13

MOSTLY MARTHA

In a charming European city, a head chef for a chic restaurant, Martha (Martina Gedeck), relies on her culinary skill as her primary means of communication. She lives for her work and presides with obsessive care over a spotless, precise kitchen. When a fateful accident leaves Lina, her eight-year-old headstrong niece in her care, Martha's orderly life begins to come undone. When the owner is forced to bring in help, Martha and the new flamboyant, fun-loving Italian sous-chef (Sergio Castellitto) are instantly at odds. Yet as time goes by with her whole world turned upside down and her personal space more crowded than she could ever imagine, Martha begins to find a new recipe for life. (Paramount Classics) Rated PG-13



Udo Kier stars in *Feardotcom*, a mystery about the investigation of several Web site-related deaths. The movie, also starring Stephen Dorff and Natascha McElhone, opens in local theaters this weekend.

ONE HOUR PHOTO

The story tells of Sy Parrish (Robin Williams), a lonely photo technician at a local SavMart one-hour photo counter who develops an unsettling obsession with the Yorkins, long-time customers with whom he invents a familial connection. Featured players include Connie Nielsen, Eric La Salle, and Michael Vartan. Mark Romanek directed the thriller. (Fox Searchlight) Rated R

SLAP HER, SHE'S FRENCH

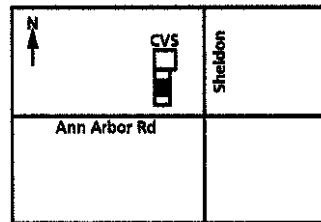
A French foreign exchange student (Piper Perabo) in a small Texas town's high school upsets the balance by trying to usurp the position of the most popular girl. (Premiere Marketing and Distribution Group) Rated PG-13

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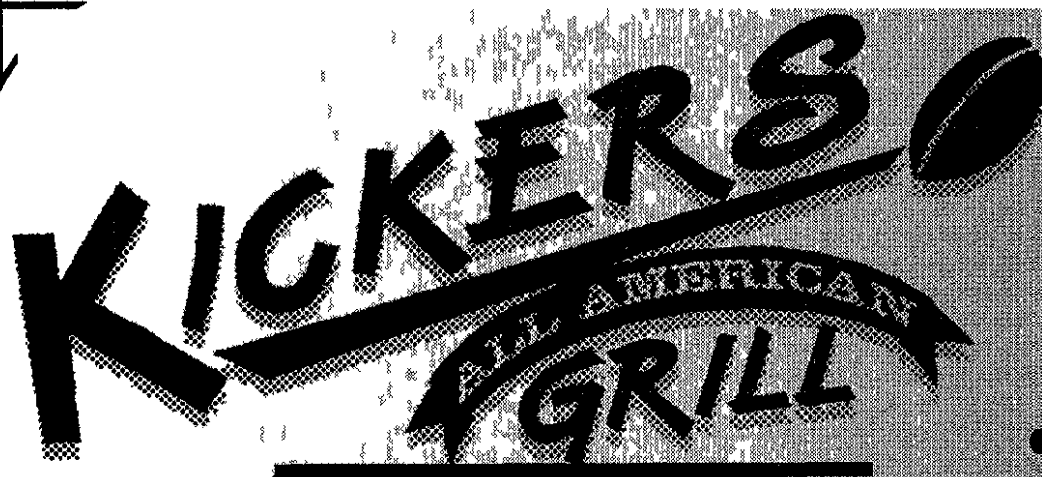
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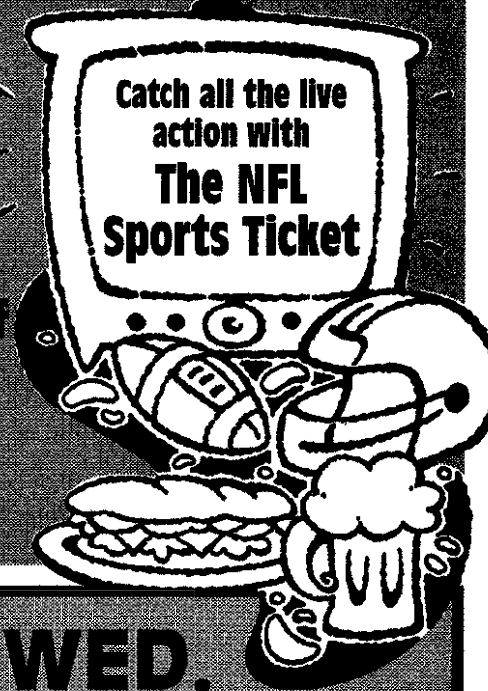


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Art fair puts on the dog for a 22nd year

BY LINDA CHOMIN
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ART ON THE GREEN

What: Franklin Council for Visual and Performing Arts presents its 22nd annual fine art fair featuring 75 exhibitors
When: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 2
Where: Village Green on Franklin Road south of 14 Mile Franklin Call (248) 594-3093

Ginger DeLater finds beauty in playful pups and frozen flowers — not your average subject matter for a fine art photographer. But then there's nothing ordinary about DeLater. When she decided to go to the Rocky Mountain School of Photography in Montana for two years, the Birmingham photographer took Nikolai, her American Eskimo dog with her. DeLater doesn't let much stop her from combining her two loves — Nikolai and photography. She likes taking him to shows or wherever she goes. In fact, she's currently working on *Dog Gone West*, a book of photos from a trip they took together out west. In the meantime, visitors to Art on the Green can smile at some of the images on Labor Day Monday, Sept. 2, in Franklin. DeLater is one of 75 artists showing everything from painting to jewelry and print-making.

"When I went to New York I visited the art museums but also the dog parks and in California, the dog beaches. I was inspired to do dogs at a dog club in Royal Oak where people take their dogs to play," said DeLater. "I don't pose them. It's a lot more natural. Dogs would come right up to the camera. When I'm down there printing dogs in my darkroom, I'm never depressed because they show you who they are. Their personalities come

right out."

DeLater does portrait studies of dogs in the home, at the park or wherever they feel comfortable — the same with children or brides and grooms. She'll travel nearly anywhere to capture the essence of a subject. Her images of flowers are another matter. DeLater shoots for a painterly quality to portray their softness. "I thought, how can I photograph flowers differently? So I placed a rose in a container filled with water and then froze it. I try to use natural light with all my work and have even used mint in my garden for a diffused green background. My biggest compliment is when people see this, is to say that it looks like a painting."

DeLater likes giving compliments as well as receiving them. Her praise for Art on the Green

shouldn't be taken lightly. DeLater will do eight art fairs this season, some as far away as Chicago. It was there she won Best 2-D Art in the Ella Fine Arts Show in June. This is her second year showing in the Franklin fair.

"It's the atmosphere," said DeLater. "It's nice because it's big and open with lots of shade and it feels like fall. I grew up in Oxford on 15 acres and it's very refreshing."

Peggy Kerr grew up in Franklin so it's no surprise she loves the community as well. As president of the Franklin Council of Visual and Performing Arts, she takes special pride in the intimate show on the Village Green.

"People love the setting. They bring their kids in strollers. It's a family friendly event," said Kerr, who volunteers any time away from her position as special programs director at The Community House in Birmingham to the Franklin arts council. "In the early years, the first couple shows were in

October with 45 artists. We're now at the maximum. We want to keep it small so it's not overwhelming. People can park and walk. For someone for whom it's hard to get around it's doable, and the Franklin Cider Mill's right there."

In addition to being a great way to start fall, visitors will go home feeling good about being able to help others. The nonprofit arts council donates profits from booth and jurying fees to The Community House scholarship for summer art camp, Haven Child Abuse & Neglect Council, VSA arts of Michigan, and others.

"We do believe in giving back, said Kerr, and we don't take a commission from artists. We have a family of artists who are with us every year. People who leave and come back, new people coming from out of state. Having people come from out of state for a one-day show is a compliment."

Maybe it's the festivities of the 58th annual Labor Day parade beginning at noon at Evelyn Court and Franklin Road just

south of the Franklin Cider Mill that adds to the fun. Or the art fair entertainment. One-man band Rennie Kaufmann plays show tunes while Blackman and Arnold take the energy level a notch lower with folk and acoustic music. Kids can make bookmarks, bracelets, collage or try their hand at painting a T-shirt designed by VSA arts of Michigan student Katie Wise. VSA provides art and music therapy programming for children and adults with disabilities.

"We'll have pottery demonstrations by Mia Periman, a Groves High School art teacher, and for a third year a booth with 2002 Groves graduates Jeff Pulker and Cass Higden. We want them to have that experience as artists — to say here's your opportunity to sell your work."

It seems the Franklin arts council is always trying to brighten someone's day. In addition to hosting art projects for children during the annual Holly Day in Franklin, this summer they produced the first Music on the Green concert series in July.

"I grew up in Franklin. They used to have the Strawberry Social," said Kerr. "Now there's this new life being breathed into the city. 'We're (the arts council) small and we don't have an office but we hope to expand the music series next year.'"

But don't wait until then to enjoy the fruit of the arts council's efforts. In addition to DeLater, fair goers are sure to enjoy the whimsical animal sculptures of G. Todd Vaughan, printmaking by Michael McCullough (Farmington Hills), glass by Andrew Madvin (West Bloomfield), and raku by Birmingham Groves graduate Ed Rusak, to name a few.

"It's fine art that you might not typically see at a craft fair," said Kerr. "Sometimes people come looking for a gift. We're looking for a range of prices so everyone can feel they can walk away with something. Most of the people who come, come to buy. They don't have another day to think about it."

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George & Harry's serves spicy cuisine, cool music

BY TAMARA WARREN
CORRESPONDENT

For those suffering from a bit of the down home blues, George & Harry's has a menu and the sultry spirits to liven up the evening

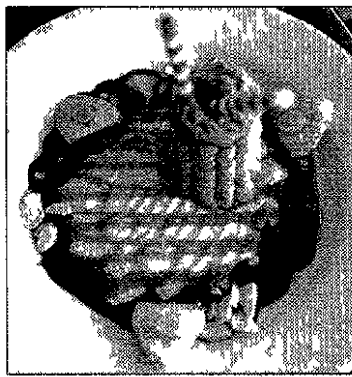
The dining room may be dimly lit in blues tradition, but the decor and the atmosphere are fresh-faced and warm. The food is equally impressive with a spicy American cuisine balancing out heartier selections

"We're known for steaks, filets, Beef Mignon's Oscar — filet tips with Crab Ravioli and Bernaise sauce and Jambalaya" says Nico Dimopoulos, son of owner George Dimopoulos

George & Harry's is the vision of namesakes Dimopoulos and Harry Sisko, both who staked their claim in restaurant business in the mid-70s

Dimopoulos first tested the Dearborn market with Senate Coney Island. Sisko closed his Taylor blues bar, Sisko's on the Avenue, last fall. Before coming to Dearborn and meeting each other, each had made their mark in the restaurant business downriver

"They both owned businesses in Taylor, neighbor businesses. They knew of each other," Dimopoulos says. "The two formerly met a few years ago. They said, let's do a fine venue dining establishment"



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The chocolate mousse tower

George and Harry chose Dearborn and opened their doors in February

"They teamed up to build a restaurant and blues club. They're friends," Dimopoulos says

What is distinctive about George & Harry's from typical blues venues is the finite attention to detail including several hand-painted murals, ample lounging and seating areas and a mean Caesar salad served in an asiago cheese shell

The blues is cranked through the sound system, but the music is live on stage Wednesday through Saturday night. Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, Guitar Shorty and Steve Gornell have graced the stage at George and Harry's

Joce'lyn B & The Detroit Street Players perform the last

Friday of the month and resident Johnnie Bassett performs every Thursday. September's lineup includes Michael Hill's Blues Mob, the Kinsey Report and Bill Perry

There is a standard \$5 dollar cover after 9 p.m. on blues nights, with performances starting at 9:30 p.m. during the week and 10:30 p.m. on the weekends. While the music is a draw Wednesday through Sunday, lunch prices draw the daily customers with pastas for \$5.95 and salads in the \$7 range

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The attention to detail at George and Harry's extends to the outside world with a thorough Web site listing entertain-

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Tamara Warren is a Detroit resident. She can be contacted at Tamarawarren@hotmail.com

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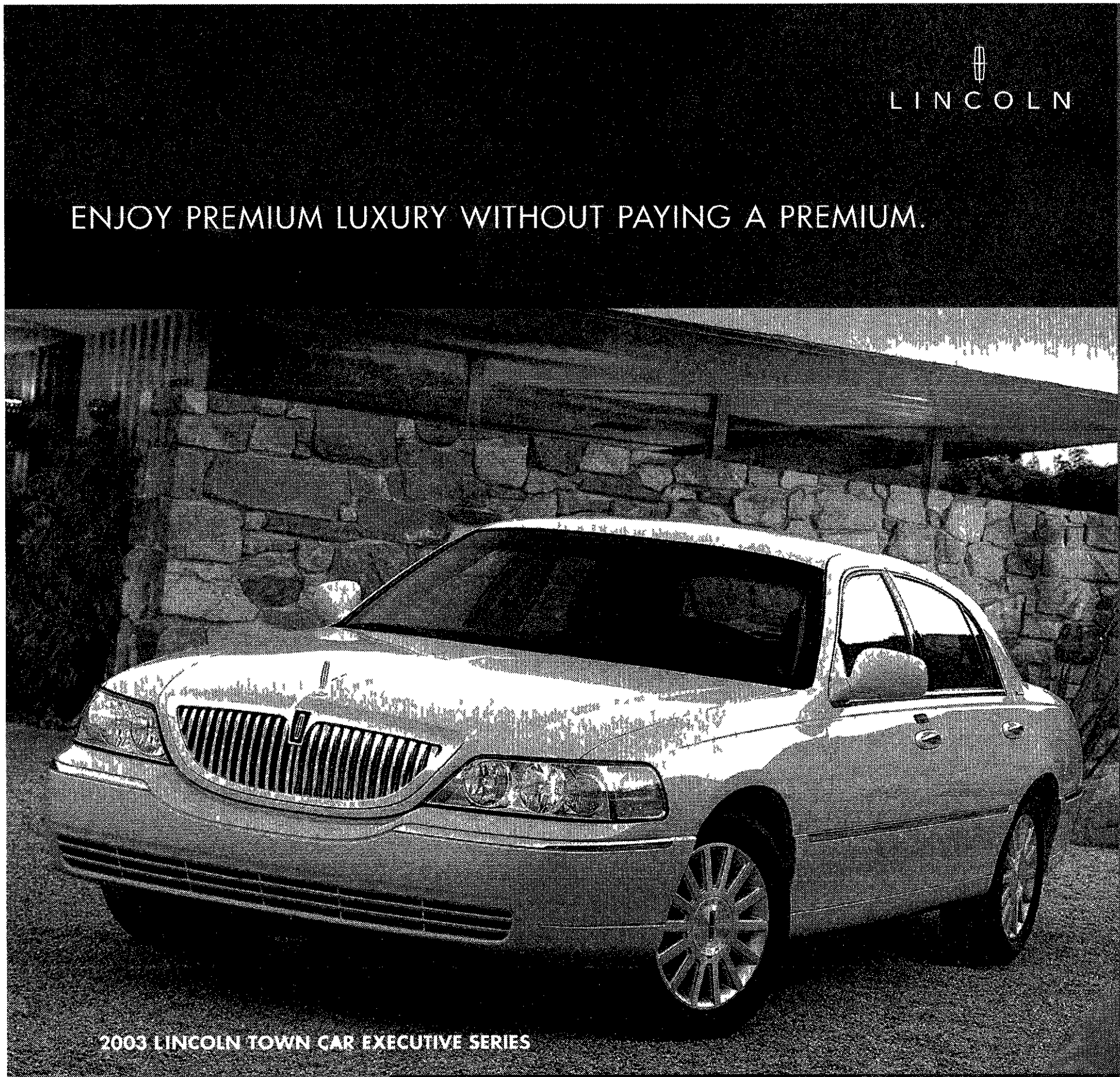
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Tickets are \$15 the day of the tour \$13 in advance free for under age 12 (one ticket good for both days) Tickets may be bought by calling the Marshall Chamber of Commerce at (800) 877 5163

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Civic pride blossoms

BY MARTY FIGLEY
CORRESPONDENT

We all enjoy the colorful flowers that add beauty in many communities

I visited several in the area and found that sometimes the community takes care of all plantings, sometimes the responsibilities are divided, with the city doing large projects while volunteers do smaller ones, sometimes cities rely on volunteers

Nevertheless, all of the flowers, shrubs and trees are welcome sights and remind us that people care about where they live

For instance volunteers enhance Canton Township's welcome signs with flower beds around them After this year, the signs will be different

"I hope they'll leave a little land for volunteers to plant annuals and maintain them, since now the city will contract with professional landscapers," said Pam Swiderek, who has been a member of the

beautification projects for 17 years

She is also on the new committee that has many of the same goals Other Canton residents on the original committee include Gen Wojcik, Tilley Schultz and Margaret DeKoninck All of Swiderek's family has been involved

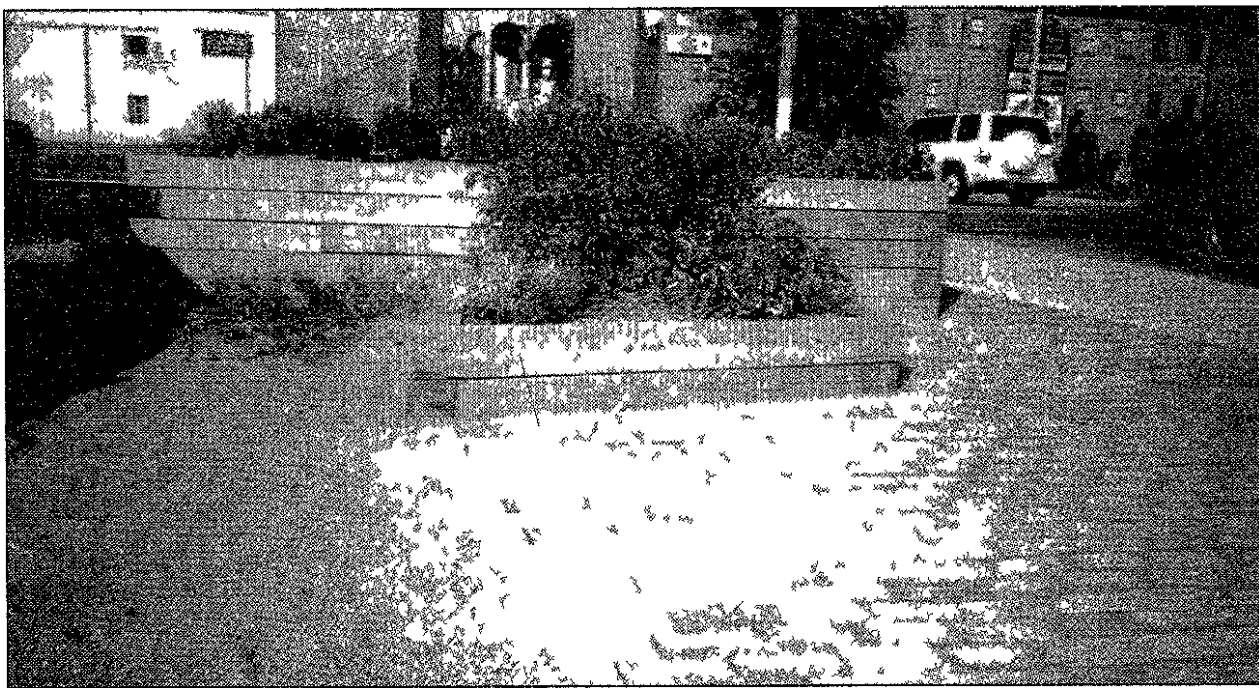
Among other volunteers are the Girl Scouts from Hulsing School, who for three years took care of some areas under the leadership of Diane Dexter For their efforts, the troop received a Keep Michigan Beautiful certificate of merit

The kids love to see their corner of beauty," Swiderek said

Also, the Canton Garden Club planted and landscaped flowers in front of the library "Read" sign

Funds to help maintain the gardens come from the township Scout troops and the generosity of the workers

In Garden City, The city hires contractors to



PHOTOS BY MARTY FIGLEY

One of the four corners at the railroad track at Main Street in Plymouth

care for designated areas to make sure that Garden City is kept attractive for visitors as well as residents, said Bruce Boland of the Downtown Development Authority

Annuals and perennials beautify the commons area at Ford and Middlebelt, which many people use

Plymouth's beautification committee consists of volunteers appointed by the city and chooses an area that could benefit from its efforts, according to Carol Stone, city liaison on the committee

This year, the commit-

PLEASE SEE FLOWERS, C4



Shelly (left) and her parents Pam and Bill Swiderek, stand at a Canton Township welcome sign amid flowers that include purple iris, orange tiger lilies, yellow potentilla, deep pink begonias and conifers

Program reaps caring, sharing harvest

BY MARTY FIGLEY
CORRESPONDENT

The backyard harvest has begun and soon your tomatoes and other vegetables may be ripening faster than you can use them Beware! The neighbors may not answer their door when they just "know" you have another bag of zucchini for them Don't despair There is an easy way to share the surplus

The Plant a Row for the Hungry (PAR) campaign was begun by The Garden Writers Association and is sponsored by HGTV The program has been a whopping success across the nation

Community gardens participating in the area include Southfield Senior Citizens, First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham, the Western Wayne Correctional Facility and Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church of Berkley

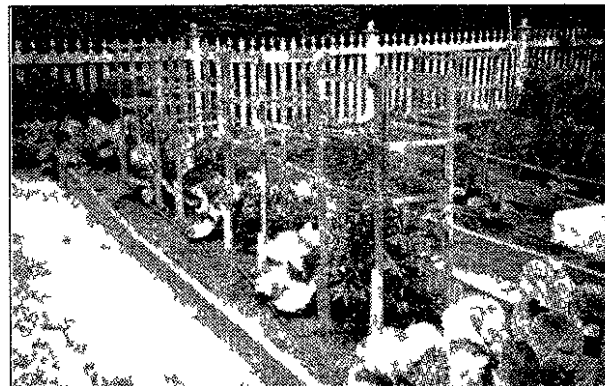
Now the Southfield-based food rescue agency Forgotten Harvest has teamed with PAR to encourage gardeners to plant an extra row of a food crop and share it with soup kitchens, emergency food providers,



PHOTOS BY MARTY FIGLEY

Martha Ferguson, master gardener coordinator of Oakland County (above), helped youngsters plant at a Plant a Row for the Hungry media event

A variety of foods can be grown with style



food pantries and other social service agencies that feed the hungry

The need for food is great and this is a way to help Recipients may be

homeless, may be unexpectedly without a job, or may need their income to care for an ill family member

Forgotten Harvest col-

lects surplus food (food that would otherwise go to waste) from airlines, bakeries, caterers, restaurants, wholesale food distributors and other sources approved by the health department The donated food is delivered to emergency food providers in Wayne Oakland and Macomb counties

Now that these two groups have joined, the opportunity to feed more people has no bounds Already this year, thousands of pounds of produce have been collected and distributed

People can help by sharing extra produce, getting the neighbors



A PAR sign indicates that hungry people are being fed

involved in planting a PAR garden, and encouraging Scout troops, churches, garden clubs, school children, youth groups, seniors and others to participate

Excess produce can be delivered to any English Gardens store, where a Forgotten Harvest truck will pick up the food Forgotten Harvest will then deliver the food to its final destination

English Gardens carries PAR kits that include row markers and seeds

In the meantime, you can visit a PAR garden and offer to help this year

For more information on how to start a PAR garden, and to learn about drop-off times, call Ree Taylor, community

development director for Forgotten Harvest, at (248) 350-3663

For Plant a Row for the Hungry information, call (877) 492-2727, or visit www.gwaa.org



A mulch will suppress weeds and keep soil moist



Look for the Forgotten Harvest truck in your area

READY FOR FALL?



How's your siding? Do those curtains look a bit faded? What needs to happen to get your yard and garden through the winter? Don't miss "Spotlight on Fall Home Improvement." COMING SOON

Author Armitage to speak in area

Goldner Walsh Nursery in Pontiac will present An Evening with Allan Armitage 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6.

Armitage, the popular speaker and prolific author, will share excerpts of his latest book, *Legends in the Garden*, co-authored with Linda L. Copeland (Wings Publishers, \$24.95). His book will be available for purchase. Refreshments will be served.

Reservations are required. Tickets are \$12.50 and must be ordered before Thursday, Sept. 5. Call (248) 332-6430. Goldner Walsh Nursery is at 559 Orchard Lake Road, 1 mile east of Telegraph.

The book contains stories of the many people for whom plants have been named. For instance, most of us grow hostas and more than likely *Hosta sieboldiana*. "Frances Williams" This lady received a degree in landscape horticulture in 1904, was a plant collector and discovered

her namesake hosta by accident. She was quite active with her children's activities and in her community and received much recognition for her work.

Wherever she lived, Loie Benedict was an inspiration to many Pulmonaria. "Benediction" was discovered in Loie's garden when its dark blue-green lanceolate leaves, marked with distinctive silver spots, caught the attention of a friend, who named it "Benediction."

Almost single-handedly she developed a garden of great beauty, often working six to 10 hours a day.

When Loie found she couldn't keep abreast of the upkeep, she returned her garden to Mother Nature.

These are just two of the 46 stories you will enjoy from this delightful book.

NOW IN PAPERBACK

Two popular books are now available in paperback.

The first, *The Evening Garden: Flowers and Fragrance from Dusk Till Dawn*, Peter Loewer (Timber Press, \$17.95, soft), is written for people who want to extend their time in the garden after the sun has set.

Here is just the book to

guide you to successfully plan and plant an evening paradise. Loewer describes each plant, from tropicals, annuals, perennials, vines, bulbs and those that "look like they should bloom at night" and alerts us to the night creatures. His line drawings exquisitely illustrate the book.

Wonderful reading even if you don't garden.

The second, *Tussie-Mussies: The Language of Flowers*, Geraldine Adamich Laufer (Workman, \$15.95), explains the meaning of many flowers and demonstrates how they can be made into lovely little bouquets.

By using specific flowers and sharing their meaning, you can present a tussie-mussie to almost anyone. The language of flowers "talks" without saying a word although the meaning is clear.

Laufer describes the steps to achieve many arrangements, the color illustrations will make you want to give such a thoughtful gift for any occasion.

Welcome a baby, declare love, say "Happy birthday" or "Happy anniversary," honor a friend, send condolences, etc. The glossaries help to quickly find the meaning of each flower.

FOR THE BIRDS

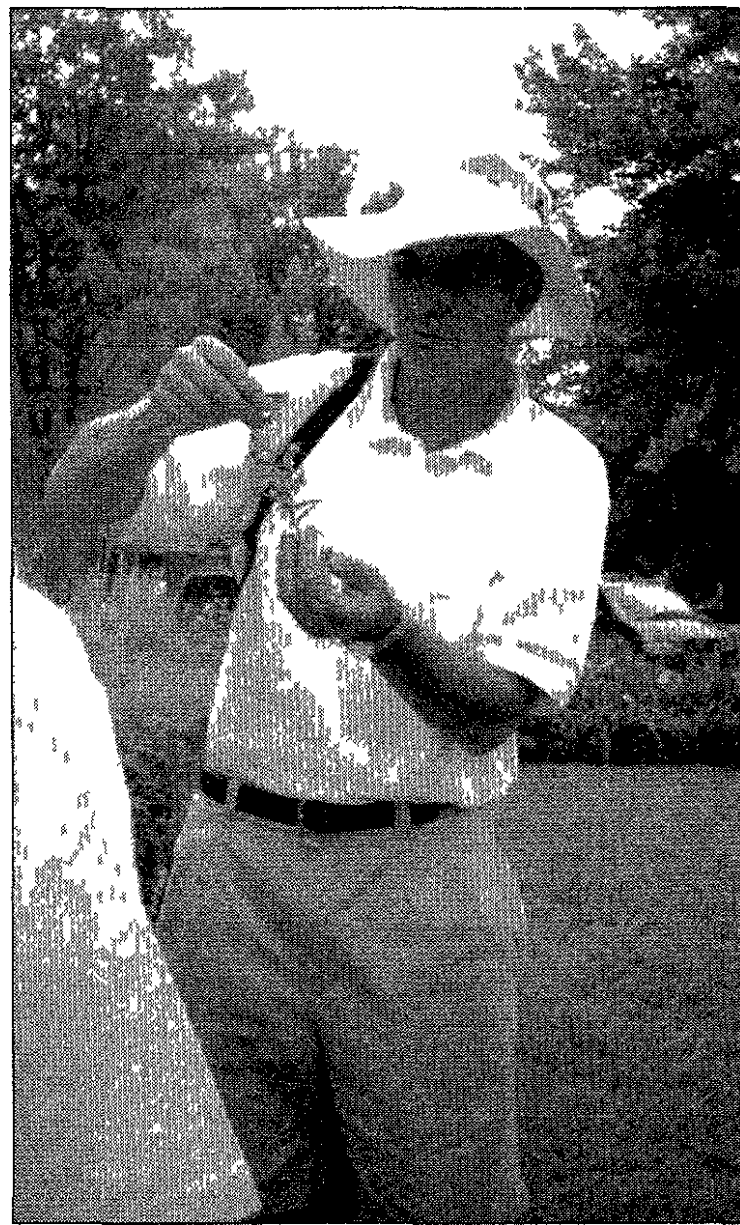
Birding Across North America: A Naturalist's Observations, Philip E. Keenan (Timber Press, \$29.95), is a fascinating account of the author's many years of birding.

He writes, "I attempt to explore certain historical, ecological and personal aspects of a life with birds, with special admiration and respect for perhaps the most miraculous - certainly the most compelling and unbelievable - drama in all the animal world."

"Birds live their lives under the most impossible of conditions, many of them weighing but an ounce or two, twice each year they travel thousands of miles, sometimes nonstop across immense stretches of water, to and from their breeding grounds. For this and many other reasons, I find birds to be truly astonishing."

In addition to all this, Keenan shares tips for making your back yard as hospitable as possible for your favorite bird species.

Marty Figley is an advanced master gardener based in Birmingham. You can leave her a message by dialing (734) 953-2047 on a touch tone phone. Her fax number is (248) 644-1314.



Linda Armitage of West Bloomfield was awarded best of show for this photo in the Cranbrook Gardens Auxiliary Amateur Photography Contest last year.



Garden Spot

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found in the eastern and central United States.

Well-known trees are included - oaks, maples, spruces and pines. Also, species such as horsechestnut and mockernut hickory, sassafras and shadbush, persimmon and pawpaw and pagodatree and pecan.

Dozens of drawings illustrate the trees' leaves or needles and their acorns, berries, seed pods, cones and other identifying features. What Tree Is That? is organized to make it easy to identify trees in a simple, step-by-step fashion.

To obtain your tree ID guide, send your name and address and \$3 to What Tree Is That?, The National Arbor Day Foundation, Nebraska City, NE 68410.

"Helping people enjoy and appreciate trees is central to the educational mission of the Arbor Day Foundation," said John Rosenow, the foundation's president.

"Being able to identify trees is important in knowing how to care for them and how to plant the right tree in the right place."

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Research shows that violent juvenile crime doubles in the hour after school lets out. With parents still at work, too many kids are unsupervised, unchallenged—even unsafe. And this is true both in the inner city and in the suburbs.

But studies also show that grades, attendance and attitudes all improve when the right after-school activities are available—the kind provided by the YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit.

The Y offers kids supervised after-school programs, including youth sports, clubs, classes and community service opportunities. The growth they experience can improve their schoolwork—and their self-esteem. And financial assistance is available to ensure that these programs are always accessible to all kids.

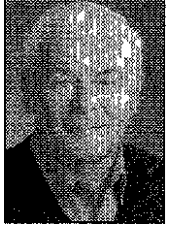
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Long-time appliance repairman earns respect

On a recent radio show I had a very senior citizen join me as a co-host of the program and spend a few hours answering consumer questions on major appliances



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

He did a commendable job, and my son Andrew informed me that he had tears in his eyes while listening to this fine old gentleman on the show that day

Andrew asked if I could

write about Mr Kanack in my column because he could be the only service man in America who is a few days shy of his 80th birthday and still repairing major appliances

I explained to Andrew that this column isn't used to entice anyone to spend advertising money with the media that I am involved with and that this fact is important to honest journalism, which is sometimes forgotten by certain media folks

As once explained to me by the editors of this great news paper Don't show your favoritism, instead, concentrate on the content of what you are writing and let that be informative and serving the public

This type of column today is

necessary because Doug Kanack is still tipping over washing machines by himself so he can change a belt, pulling out old dishwashers and installing brand new ones and doing a lot more of the backbreaking work that goes along with being an appliance repair technician

He is also healthy, which he attributes to drinking very little coffee and good, clean living He's still married to Geraldine, who for the past 47 years has stayed home raised five children and answered the telephone lines for the many thousands of customers who would call no one else for service except Mr Kanack

Now, I'm not going to tell you where his business is because I don't think the man

needs any more work He probably has enough to last him until he is 90 years old

I first met Mr Kanack in the 1970s I used to listen to his perspectives and I respected his opinions on the need for ethics in the service industry which he agreed were eroding and needed a shot in the arm It took all these years to finally get the Appliance Repair Act passed into law - it was never needed for people like Mr Kanack

I've always believed that this man, who has been repairing appliances since 1951 is the most honest example of pure integrity that goes without question and I know can be attested to by his many customers

In the conversation on the

radio show I asked him what products he likes to work on the most and he replied Dishwashers

I worked on the old Apex dishwashers, Joe, he said, and they were built like a tank Appliances of today are not made as well as yesteryear and they don't last as long"

Most people reading this column today have never seen an Apex dishwasher or other brand names such as a Blackstone clothes washer

This man has been a member for years in the Lions Club of his community and other groups as well He continues to give of himself to worthwhile groups that are known to do good deeds for area citizens

There will come a day when

Doug Kanack will no longer be able to tip over a 170-pound washer or get down on his knees and change a belt I know that you join me in wishing that day to be many years ahead and that this soft-spoken, gentle person who has been so good to all of his customers has a soft leather chair waiting for him

He doesn't know that I am writing about him today If you would like to make him feel good, give him a call All of his customers who read this paper know how to reach him

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

Concrete is not hard to understand

Volunteers built the driveway for the Habitat for Humanity home in Romulus recently, and asked many questions about concrete

I think it may have been because many had never worked with concrete before Or it could have been because we've lately had the opportunity to see so much of it being used - mostly while in our cars, dodging orange barrels in very slow-moving traffic



Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

I thought I would share part of our discussion about where this hard, strong, durable,

man-made rock comes from Cement isn't a new product The Romans used a material very similar to the cement we

use today to construct their buildings, roads and aqueducts

HOW IT'S MADE

Today's cement is made by heating limestone, silica, alumina and iron until melted together When the resulting mass cools to a solid (called a clinker), it's pulverized into a fine powder that is called Portland cement Cement is the glue that holds concrete together

Concrete, not cement (though the words are often used synonymously) is, in simple terms, made from four materials Portland cement, fine aggregate (more commonly called sand) coarse aggregate (or gravel) and water

Concrete begins when the cement, aggregates and water are mixed together The proportion of each is determined by how the concrete will be used The water added to the mix begins the chemical process known as hydration Concrete hardens by hydra-

tion rather than by evaporation Since hydration is a chemical process, cement will harden even under water

The aggregates are largely used as fillers in the mix Since sand and gravel are much less expensive than cement using as much as possible without compromising strength is desirable

Concrete is blended to a bag mix This refers to how many 94-pound bags of cement are mixed into a cubic yard of concrete Typically sidewalks and driveways are 5 to 6 bag mix where roads may be 9 bag mix

ADMIXTURES

Along with all this mixing and proportioning, there may be various admixtures put in the concrete mix

Admixtures are chemicals that change the behaviors and properties of concrete There are some that make the concrete flow better without adding more water Some will make the concrete set up faster while there are others that

slow down the set-up time

The most common admixtures in this area are chloride, which helps the concrete set up faster and helps prevent wet concrete from freezing in the winter and air entraining agents that create microscopic bubbles in the concrete Air entraining helps concrete withstand our seasonal freeze and thaw cycles

For small projects (1 cubic yard or less) it's usually best to buy bagged premixed concrete (Quikrete) For larger jobs have the entire mixture shipped by a transit-mix company like National Ready-Mix in Westland

AMOUNT

This is how to figure the amount of concrete needed for a project

The amount of concrete needed for a particular job is computed in cubic yards A cubic yard is of course an object that is 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet

To figure how much concrete

you will need multiply the length by the width by the thickness (in feet) of your project and divide the answer by 27 (Keep in mind that 4 inches is 0.33 feet 6 inches is 0.5 feet and 8 inches is 0.66 feet)

An easier way - if you are figuring for a 4-inch thick slab (the common thickness of side walks, driveways etc) - is to multiply the length by the width and divide by 80

Eighty square feet at 4 inches thick is about 1 cubic yard of concrete

Harry Jachym a licensed builder teaches construction trades to high school students and is the general contractor for Habitat for Humanity Western Wayne County Since we all seem to ask our fathers for repair or remodeling advice Jachym writes Ask Dad a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects He is a Plymouth resident Send questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Mary Klem c Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E Maple Birmingham 48009

Test tells best paint to use inside home

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

You're getting ready to paint your house and you aren't certain what type of paint to buy

If the old paint is latex, another coat of the same is in order If the old paint is oil-base, however, an oil primer is an absolute necessity, followed by a finish coat in oil or latex

The important question is which type of paint currently covers your home Here's an easy way to find out First, scrub a small sample area with a strong solution of common household detergent Rinse the area with plenty of fresh water and towel-dry it Then, rub a cotton ball soaked in alcohol over the cleaned area If the paint comes off, it's latex, and if it doesn't, it's oil-base

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You can help cat with chronic renal failure feel better

Dear Doctors,
My 12-year-old Siamese cat has been losing weight, drinking a lot of water, urinating a lot of pale urine, sleeping most of the time and picking at her food. She has also been throwing up every other day. My veterinarian did a lot of tests and said she is suffering from chronic kidney failure. Is there anything I can do to make her more comfortable and help her live longer?

We are sorry to hear that your cat has chronic renal (kidney) failure (CRF). Unfortunately many other cat owners share your experience. Chronic renal failure is most often found in geriatric cats, but cats of any age can be affected.

We suspect that much of your cat's discomfort arises because her kidneys cannot function effectively.

The kidneys help remove waste products, such as creatinine and urea, from the body. If the kidneys don't work well, these waste products build up in the bloodstream.

Very high creatinine and urea levels may make your cat feel nauseous and weak, and cause her to lose interest in eating. When kidney blood values are elevated and your cat shows signs that she doesn't feel well, she is considered to have uremia.

Yes, there are things you can do to help your cat feel better and, it is hoped, live longer. However, you should keep in mind that chronic renal failure is considered irreversible and is usually progressive. Your veterinarian should discuss treatment options with you.

If your cat feels very ill and has high levels of waste products (creatinine and urea) in her blood, your veterinarian may suggest that your cat be hospitalized and placed on intravenous fluids. Fluid administration helps reverse dehydration and lower the levels of the blood toxins.

You can also supplement your cat's fluid level by injecting fluid under her skin (subcutaneously) at home. When subcutaneous fluids are administered on a regular basis they help prevent the creatinine and urea from building up in the bloodstream. Your veterinarian can demonstrate the procedure involved.

FOOD

Cats with renal failure often don't feel well and therefore have little interest in food.

Since your cat has a poor appetite, warm the food to make it smell more appealing. You can also make the food more appetizing if you mix it with low-sodium meat or fish



Ask the Vets

Drs. Michael and Tracy Jaffe

broth or some meat baby food.

If all else fails, you can try a prescription oral medication, cyproheptadine, to help stimulate her appetite.

We recommend that animals with chronic renal failure be offered a special diet.

Prescription diets for animals with kidney failure are available from your veterinarian. These diets are lower in sodium, protein and phosphorus and may not be as palatable as regular cat food. If your cat doesn't like the prescription diet, offer her a different food.

The rule with animals with renal failure is get them to eat whatever you can. It is important that she eat enough calories to keep her from losing additional weight. It is also crucial that your cat drinks plenty of water so she doesn't

become dehydrated.

LEVELS

Sometimes animals with kidney failure have excessively high blood phosphorus levels. Your veterinarian may recommend your cat be given intravenous fluids until the levels return to normal.

If your cat's phosphorus levels are only slightly to moderately above normal, your veterinarian may simply want you to give her a medication with her meals, such as aluminum hydroxide, to bind the phosphorus.

The phosphorus binder helps keep her phosphorus level from climbing too high. Phosphorus-binding medications are available in liquid and tablet form, sold over the counter, and only effective if your cat is eating.

Cats with kidney disease may have subnormal levels of potassium and this may cause weakness. Potassium can be supplemented orally with a tablet, gel or powder. If your cat receives intravenous or subcutaneous fluids, extra potassium can be added to the fluids.

Many cats with renal failure have high blood pressure. Diets high in sodium may raise your cat's blood pressure. Prescription kidney diets are lower in sodium to help keep the blood pressure normal. If your cat's blood pressure is very high, she may need oral

medication to lower her blood pressure.

ANEMIA

If your cat has less energy than usual, she may be anemic. Anemia, which is when your cat has a subnormal number of red blood cells, is relatively common in animals with chronic renal failure.

Your veterinarian should monitor your cat's red blood cell count. If the anemia is getting significantly worse, your cat may be given a series of injections of erythropoietin to help her body produce more red blood cells.

If your cat is severely anemic, a blood transfusion may be required.

You mention that your cat throws up frequently. This may be because her blood urea and creatinine levels are too high and her kidneys can't help rid her body of excess acid. This causes her to feel queasy and may result in the formation of stomach ulcers. You may relieve her upset

stomach if you give her a very dilute liquid suspension of baking soda or an antihistamine such as famotidine. Most cats don't like the taste of the baking soda solution so we don't recommend it very often. You should discuss any medications with your veterinarian before you administer them to your pet.

A small percentage of cats with kidney failure are candidates for hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, or kidney transplantation.

These treatments are available at only a few specialty hospitals and are often cost-prohibitive.

Good luck caring for your kitty. We hope that we've given you suggestions on topics to discuss with your veterinarian regarding the treatment of chronic renal failure.

Send questions to be addressed in this column by mail in care of Mary Kleim, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Or e-mail askthevets@juno.com.

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tee chose the railroad crossing on Main Street. Trains play a significant part of the city's history and many people wait for a long time at the railroad crossing so the challenge was met.

In cooperation with CSX Railroad, which awarded a grant to fund a portion of the project, planter boxes were constructed on the four corners

of the crossing. Various plants such as deep pink petunias, orange tiger lilies, hostas, asparagus fern, spirea and other shrubs add color and interest.

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Mom to sons: 'Why are you doing that?'

I grew up as the older sister to three brothers. Because of that experience I felt that as a parent, I really had a handle on what boys do, on what makes them tick. I was wrong. I guess I forgot I spent most of my school-age life locked in my room.

When my brother Rex and his friend raced through the house carrying the corpse of a dead rat, the boys antics threw me completely off guard. As Rex leeringly tried to stick the dead creature in my face, I raced through the house, screaming like a banshee for him to get away. That incident alone should have prepared me for life 20 years later. In that one moment in time I should have stopped the screaming long enough to ask:

Why are you doing that? But I didn't ask. Instead I tattled to my mother and father. They disinfected my brother, and grounded him for years. The next afternoon he was let off for good behavior. As I was tattling I saw my brother plotting his revenge. I'm still waiting for the retribution to be handed down and part of me hopes he doesn't read this.

When my beautiful baby boys were born I knew I was properly prepared to raise my little guys. So sweet and innocent, charming and delightful. My blonde baby in his ducky sneakers, his loving little brother in his Dodgers cap. My sweet darling boys, life would be so serene.

Then a strange thing began happening. My little boys' clothes started to get dirty. The boys looked for baseball bats, and soccer balls, and dead birds in the backyard. They no longer watched Sesame Street. That gave way to ESPN, and the boys would stand in the front yard arguing for hours about the rules of a pick-up baseball game.

And I would wonder: Why are they doing that? So I would take the boys and put on crisp clean Gap jeans, I would roll the soccer ball to them ever so nicely, I would warn them the dead birds were very dirty. I would change the ESPN station back to Sesame Street or Mr. Rogers, and I would help the boys by trying to simplify the rules of the pick up game.

As I did all of this they would look at me, they would look at each other, and they would think to themselves, "Why is she doing that?"

As their Mom I couldn't help myself.

I would comb their hair they would mess it up. I would wash their faces, nag them to brush their teeth, holler at them not to spit as they raced onto the soccer field. They would look back and smile at me, wave and consecrate the soccer field with a custom-made stream of spittle spewing through the gaps in their unbrushed teeth.

Why were they doing that?

When my oldest boy spray-painted the chimney and driveway of our home with a luminescent orange paint, he spent the afternoon scrubbing the brick clean. When my youngest boy escaped from his bedroom window in the infamous toilet-paper incident, he came home to find a squad of police officers combing the backyard with night vision binoculars.

He spent the most agoniz-

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THE GIRLS OF SUMMER

Michigan Mavericks loads the bases with senior women



Above: Sarah Kahaian, 76, of Garden City seldom misses a practice session with the Michigan Mavericks, a softball team for women over 70. Even though she works two jobs, she always has energy to play. Top right: Kay Oswalt, 77, of Garden City, team manager, takes aim before hitting the ball to her teammates during practice.

BY RENÉE SKOGLUND
STAFF WRITER

They pull their caps low over their foreheads as they trot across the field to take their positions. They swing their arms and shift their feet to loosen muscles, and they punch their gloves until the leather feels just right. Soon their bats will send balls arching across the dusty diamond of Moeller Field in Garden City on this cloudless, sunny Tuesday morning.

It's practice time for the Michigan Mavericks, a softball team for women over 70. These girls of summer – and that's what they are, tan and trim – play for the camaraderie, the exercise and an everlasting love of the game.

Kay Oswalt, 77, of Garden City is the team manager. Actually, there is no team. There simply aren't enough women over 70 who can still play baseball to make up teams, she said. Instead, the Michigan Mavericks play in tournaments, and they travel statewide for the Michigan Senior Olympics and all over the country for the National Senior Games.

To put us in with 30-year-olds would be slaugh-



Joan Fitzpatrick, 72, of Farmington is the team pitcher most of the time.

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ter, says Oswalt, who acquired a bum knee seven years ago when she slid into third base while playing in a mixed league.

She talks about that incident with a survivor's sense of pride. "A 24-year-old guy came down on me, she recalled. "When he came off my knee, he came down on my shoulder with the other foot."

So far, neither a bum knee nor weekly chemotherapy sessions has benched Oswalt. As Tom Hanks' character told his female players in the movie *A League of Their Own*: "There's no crying in baseball!"

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

"Hi, I'm the 83-year-old," says Jerry Gawura of Canton just before she heads out to third base.

I play wherever they need me. I pitch quite a bit. I've played third base, and I've played the outfield. I'm having a bit of a knee problem, but I still have a pretty good arm, but not as good as I'd like.

Oswalt starts hitting balls to her teammates with dead-on accuracy. She alerts Gawura that the ball is coming her way and tells her not to throw to first base.

Jerry, do not throw to first because of your knee. If you have to pivot, don't throw," she says. Her voice could tame a bunch of Marines.

Gawura catches the ball and pivots any way the ball sails to first.

"You're not listening, kid," says Oswalt.

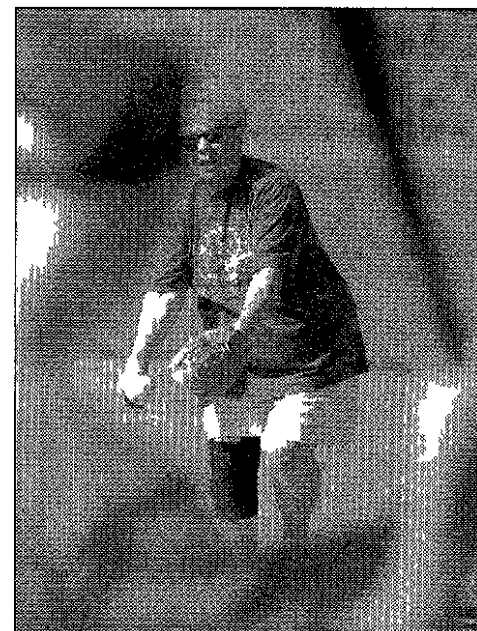
She's not going to listen to you," yells pitcher Joan Fitzpatrick, 72, of Farmington. "She's older than you."

Oswalt rotates her players, and Gawura comes to bat. CRACK! It's obvious Gawura is a serious ballplayer. CRACK! No wonder she took a gold medal in javelin throwing at the Michigan Senior Olympics in Midland in early August. CRACK! No wonder Oswalt doesn't want her to pivot. Two bum knees are not better than one.

I need her in May for the National Senior Olympics," says Oswalt.

SIZE DOESN'T MATTER

Petite, red-haired Sarah Kahaian, 76, of Garden City has played softball with Oswalt since 1956, sometimes on opposing teams. They're buddies. Like Oswalt, Kahaian has more energy than two women half her age. She came home from her second job at Meijer at 5 a.m. and showed up for practice at 9:30 a.m.



Jerry Gawura, 83, of Canton winds up for a pitch to Joan 'Fitz' Fitzpatrick.

"Why do I love it?" she says about playing with the Mavericks. "It's the energy you get playing, the competition. I'm a winner. I don't like to lose."

Kahaian cracks out her 10th hit before Oswalt calls for another rotation.

Fitzpatrick comes to bat, and Gawura pitches. Oswalt admonishes Gawura for pitching too fast, too low. "Jerry, take your time," she says. "You're releasing too fast. If you don't get an arch on it,

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Jerry Gawura heads home after morning practice. She traveled with the team to the National Senior Games in St. Louis.

Support meant a great deal

Parents never expect to outlive their children, and there's no loss that's more tragic or more difficult to understand

That was the case on Aug. 8 when Sharon and I discovered our oldest son, Matthew, dead at the young age of 22. There are no words that can describe the range of feelings and emotions that did, and still, eat at our hearts. Our lives were changed forever as Matthew took a piece of us with him.

Many of you reading this already know how we feel because you were there to comfort our family during our time of sorrow. Others sent flowers, mailed a sympathy card, dropped an e-mail, called on

the telephone or just quietly said a prayer for Matt and our family.

The response from the Plymouth and Canton communities to our tragedy was overwhelming. While I knew you would care, I underestimated how much, and it's been a humbling experience. I discovered how many good friends I have as you continue to ask how we are coping, and offer anything, even if it's just to lend an ear while we question, "Why?"

I want to take a moment to thank everyone for your love, support and prayers. I am grateful to live and work in a place where people care so much for their friends and neighbors.

May God bless you and your family.

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STANDISH

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ing 10 minutes of his life getting a lecture from one of the officers, who asked, in essence "Why are you doing that?"

But boys will be boys, and Moms will be Moms.

My little boys are nearly grown up now, and they continue to baffle me. Chipping golf

balls from the top of the stairs refusing a badly needed hair cut. No longer my little boys with ducky sneakers and a tiny Dodgers cap. Soon my boys will be men living lives of their own. And so I ask you:

"Why are they doing that?"

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MAVERICKS

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they'll hit a line drive." Garuwa lets another ball fly and Fitzpatrick hits the first of a series of line drives.

Emma Bov, 71, of Ferndale arrives late for practice. She's small, scrappy and you know she's trouble. She recently had a knee replacement.

"Watch her, says Oswald. She's all over the field.

As shortstop, Bov is in perpetual motion. She patrols her space between third and second base like a panther. Several balls sail just over her reach but she runs, swoops, swivels and sends them back to the pitcher. Then she's right back guarding her territory, hands on knees, glove ready — like a spider.

Winnie Koester, 77, travels from Davidson, Mich., for practices. She steps up to the plate and misses several pitches saying repeatedly, "The ball was right there." Finally she connects and sends the ball through Gawura's legs at third base.

Bov is right there to retrieve it.

BASEBALL FOREVER

Oswald is about to call for a break, but not before Eleanore McKerson, 75, of Mulliken, Mich., gets a chance to bat. McKerson is what you'd call a long drink of water, except she's not that tall, just lean as a chicken bone. She looks like she could whup some well balls.

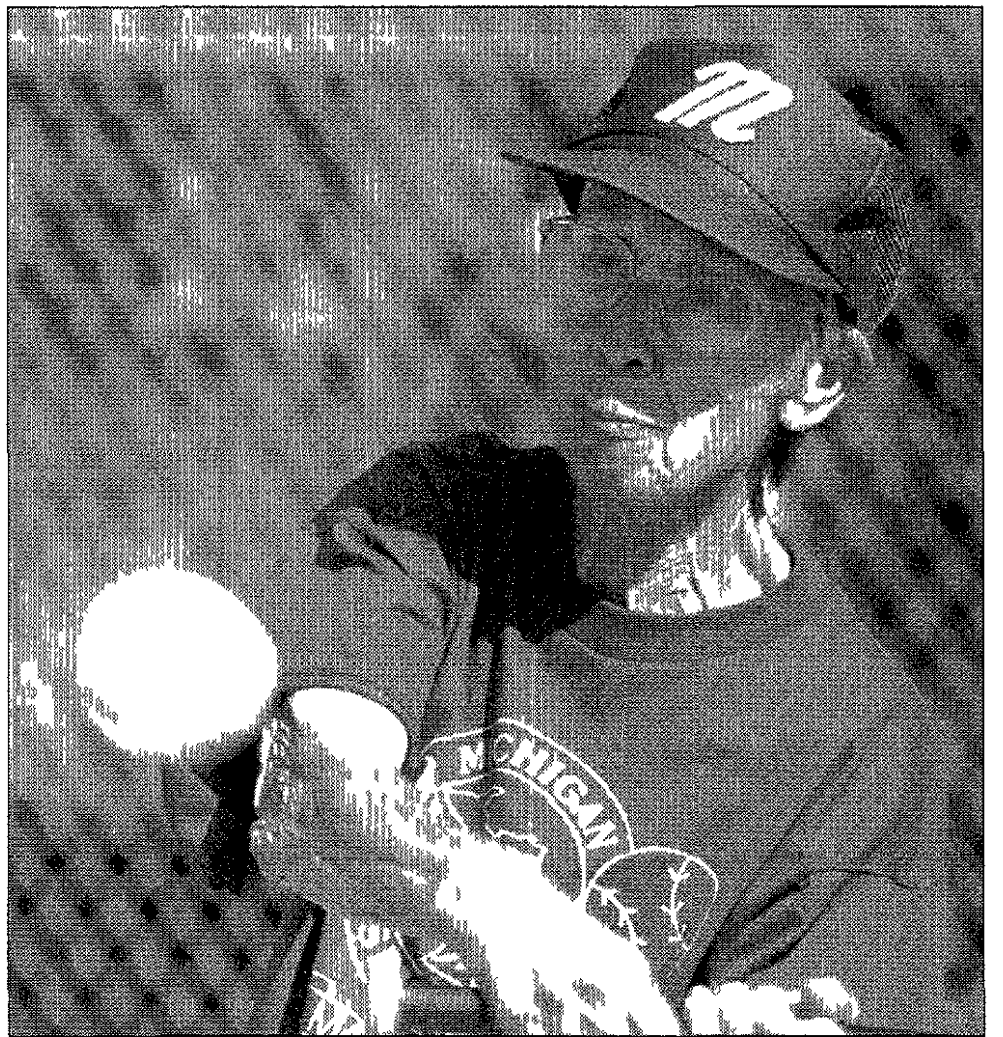
She does. I grew up on a farm. There were 14 kids. I used to fight with my brothers, she says as an explanation for her batting ability.

Joan McEvoy, 74, of Milford is the last to bat. "CRACK! CRACK! CRACK!"

The women head for the benches and a slug of cold water. Got any beer over there? quips Fitzpatrick.

Forget the cancer, forget the diabetes, forget the aches and pains of old age, says Fitzpatrick, who also plays volleyball, basketball and golf.

"Don't be afraid to come out (and join



Lean as a chicken bone Eleanore McKerson, 75, of Mulliken, Mich., sends the ball flying.

the Mavericks), she said. "Women should get more exposure in sports. I play cards with all these old women, and some of them could come out."

After the break, some of the women leave for jobs and other commitments. Most stay. They always need the practice. Oswald is itching to pitch, but her chemotherapy treatments have left her fingers numb. She recalls a game not too long ago during which she struck out 17 batters and shut the team out in three or four innings.

She'll pitch again, she says. "When I'm done with chemo, I'll be back on the mound."

The Michigan Mavericks will head to Gallatin, Tenn. for a Senior Women USA Slow Pitch Softball tournament Sept. 13-15. You can watch them practice at Moeller on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. However, if you want to see the girls of summer in action, it's best to call Kay Oswald at (734) 421-0936 for a schedule.

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SINGLES MINGLE

Send items for consideration in singles calendar to Hometown Life, Observer Newspapers, 794 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170, fax (734) 459-4224.

EVENTS

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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.

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Single Point Ministries of Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church offers a walk-n-golf 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.

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MSP's book discussion group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Borders Books in 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, intermedate 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) socialize afterward at Shots Tavern on Ter Mile just east of Orchard Lake or on Thursdays at Hardng Park (just South of I-696 Exit 17). Afterward we socialize at Warrilows 2140 Hilton just south of Woodward Heights. The cost is \$2 and we play through September.

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For people 35 years old and up. Activities include dinners, dances, cards, camping, theater, sports, travel. To learn more about the club, call (248) 435-5320 or go to www.ssstc.org.

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schedule change for summer Traditional Worship Service 8:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages 10 a.m. Casual Service for Late Risers 11:15 a.m.

First Presbyterian
First Presbyterian Church of Farmington began a summer schedule of one worship service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school will be offered during worship for beginners and kindergartners only. Lectionary lesson during the sermon will continue for grades 1-4. Call (248) 474 6170 for information

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Divorce Recovery
Single Place Ministry of First Presbyterian Church of Northville offers a Divorce Recovery Workshop through Sept. 26 at the church. 200

East Main Street Northville Topics include networking helping children legal aspects church and divorce and relationships Call the Rev. Jim Russell at (248) 349 0911

Family night
Cornerstone Family Worship Center 36924 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia will sponsor an Evening Outing for Families 5:30 p.m. Sunday Aug 25 Free hot dogs music and drama Everyone welcome Call (734) 464 3850

Women's Conference
Detroit World Outreach will hold a free conference for women Women in Praise 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday Aug 24 The church is at 23800 W Chicago (one block east of Telegraph one block south of 1960 Redford Call (313) 255 2222

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Roll up your sleeve for a community blood drive 2:30 p.m. Tuesday Aug 27 at CrossWalk Community Church of the Nazarene 38600 Palmer Road (at Hix)

Westland For an appointment call the church office at (734) 721 5545

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Picnic
Join members of Nardin Park United Methodist Church in Farmington Hills for a Picnic in the Park 5:30 p.m. Sunday Aug 25 at 29887 West 11 Mile Road just west of Middlebelt All are welcome rain or shine Entertainment includes high school bands jazz steel drums moonwalks clowns and crafts tent Lots of food available for a small fee Call (248) 470 8860

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St. Mel's Catholic Church 7506 Inkster Road Dearborn Heights will hold a rummage sale 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept 18 Coffee and refreshments Call Virginia Bien at (734) 421 3713 or the parish office at (313) 274 0684

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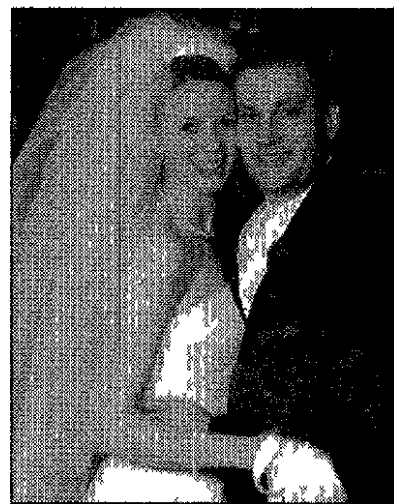
Jerry and Kathleen Lee of Canton announce the Jan 26, 2002 marriage of their daughter, Amy Catherine Lee of Dusseldorf, Germany to Brian Thomas Bastien, son of George and Patricia Bastien of Sterling Heights

Amy is a 1993 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, and a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in accounting. She is currently employed with Delphi Automotive Systems in Germany as a finance and technical accounting consultant

Brian is a 1988 graduate of Sterling Heights High School, and a 1993 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in accounting and a masters degree in business administration. He is a senior manager in the audit practice of Ernst & Young LLP in Dusseldorf, Germany

The bride was attended by maid of honor, Angela Zacles, and bridesmaids Nicole Wilson, Julie Brogan, Lynn Mahnowski, and Beth Glaspie. The groom was attended by best man, Tom Eisbrenner, and groomsmen, Andrew Dunn, Vahan Badalow, Jason Lee, and Todd Lee

They were married in Plymouth with a reception at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth. They enjoyed their honeymoon in Europe and plan to reside in Dusseldorf, Germany

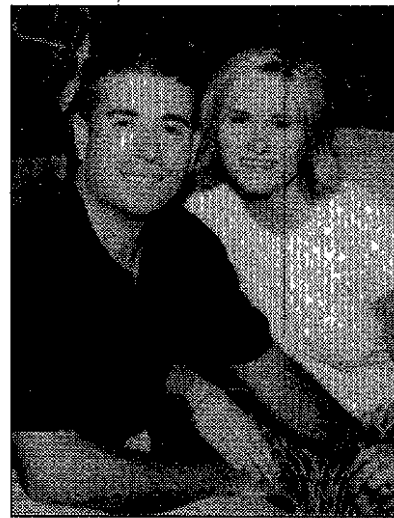


Kornegay-Lombardo

Dot and Gene Kornegay of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Elizabeth Kornegay, to Mark Anthony Lombardo, son of Shari and Tony Lombardo of Waterford

Susan is a 1998 graduate of Michigan State University and a 2002 graduate of Madonna University with her teacher certification. She is currently employed as a kindergarten teacher in the West Bloomfield schools

Mark is a 2000 graduate of Central Michigan University and is currently employed as an engineer at General Motors. A December 2002 wedding is planned in Plymouth



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Trip is outgrowth of 'desperation' French class

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

It started as a class - *Desperation French for Travelers* - and ended up as a memorable trip to Provence, the romantic and picturesque south of France.

Those on the trip included Luan Brownlee, who works at the Plymouth Historical Museum and lives in Livonia, as well as Richard and Romy Kirchoff of Plymouth, Allen Odell of Plymouth, and Genevieve Townsend of Farmington Hills and Robert and Monica Koenig of Farmington.

The trip, food and scenery apparently caused Brownlee to become poetic.

Our flock of wild geese soared across France from sunup to sundown viewing sights colored golden and azure, Mediterranean blue, orange and shimmering red. Come evening, we dipped down to dine on the best of French cuisine in chateaus, farmhouses, Moroccan medinas, smelled yellow broom and lavender, sage and saffron.

That was part of a memory booklet Brownlee put together to remember the trip.

David Groen, a retired Livonia foreign language teacher, took the group to France earlier this summer.



Richard Kirchoff of Plymouth, tour guide David Groen, Patricia Howe (Royal Oak) and Genevieve Townsend (Farmington Hills) enjoy a French meal in sun-dappled shade.

'The trip was just great. David (Groen) takes you to such interesting places. He designs the trips so they are quite different than those run by a travel agent.'

Genevieve Townsend
Farmington Hills resident

The trip included Nice, St Paul-De Vence (a medieval walled city), Renoir's home and gardens in Les Colettes, Aix-en-Provence, an antique

fair on the Sorgue River, a tour of Arles whose locale inspired Gauguin and Van Gogh, more of Nice and then the cliff village of Eze



Gallery browsing in Lourmarin (France were, at left, Joette Bickel (of Howell) and Joan Hauber (Brighton) and Luan Brownlee (Livonia) and Rainy Kirchoff (Plymouth).

This group was as sunny as Provence. They were always so upbeat they were gallery-goers, museum-goers, shop-goers, and they enjoyed having their eyes opened. Some had never been overseas. And they were delighted with the

reception they got from the French people, Groen said.

The trip was just great. David (Groen) takes you to such interesting places. He designs the trips so they are quite different than those run by a travel agent, Genevieve

Townsend said "It was a nice group of people."

Groen taught the class at Frameworks in Plymouth, and his class led the group to plan a trip to France. Frameworks has offices in Plymouth, Canton and Livonia.

Thyroid help group meets Sept. 9

The Michigan Thyroid Support Group will meet 6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 9, at the Plymouth Library, 223 S. Main Street, Plymouth.

Dr. David Brownstein (http://drbrownstein.com/) from The Center for Holistic Medicine in West Bloomfield,

will be the guest speaker.

He is the author of *Overcoming Thyroid Disorders*, *Overcoming Arthritis*, and *The Miracle of Natural Hormones*. Call Tracy Green at 734-453-7945, e-mail mthyroid@comcast.net, or visit http://mhome-town.com/oe/thyroid.

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The non-credit fee is \$270 for each course. Students can earn 3.0 continuing education units. Students may register by mail, fax and in person. For more information, call (734) 432-5731 or fax (734) 432-5364.

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Canton finishes 7th, Salem 19th at invitational

It figured to be one of the toughest early prep golf tournaments in the state — and it was. A total of 24 teams competed at the Brighton Invitational Monday at Oak Pointe, with Grosse Ile emerging with the team title after shooting a 302. Ann Arbor Pioneer's A team was next best with a 304, followed by Brightons A team with a 308.

GOLF
Redford Catholic Central — led by freshman sensation Adam Hogue (from Plymouth), whose 72 garnered him individual medalist honors — earned a fifth place finish with a 312. Canton was seventh with a 317, Livonia Churchill was 11th with a 323 and Salem placed 19th with a

335. I was very pleased, said Canton coach Tom Alles, whose team struggled last week but at Brighton had three sub 80 rounds. Two kids made the all tournament team. I was happy, getting those three guys to break 80 on a pretty tough course. Other scorers for CC were Tristan Lester (also from Plymouth) with a 77, Jimmy

Burns with a 77, Andy Soley with an 86 and Jared Henderson with an 87. Canton was paced by Ryan McKendry, who tied for fourth with a 75, and Bryan Wioncek, who medalled with a 76 (scores 76 and less medalled). Scott Oliver added a 78, with John Palmer and Mike Yates each carding 88s. Churchill had two sub-80 rounds. Gary Bubar at 78 and

Steve Robinson at 79. After that the Chargers had Scott Cendrowski and Matt Kryczinski, each at 83, and Kyle Hardey at 86. For Salem, low scorer was Andy Thackaberry at 80. Joe Pomorski, Aaron Cheesman and Pat Shaw were next best among the Rocks, each with an 85, David Pawlukiewicz followed with an 87. The Chiefs are now idle

until Sept. 4 when they take on CC at Hilltop in a non-league meet. On Sept. 5, Canton will open play in the Western Lakes Activities Association with a rescheduled match against Walled Lake Western at Bay Pointe. Salem is idle until Sept. 9, when it takes on Farmington Harrison in a non-league match at San Marino.

Canton comeback secures a 1-1 draw

BY C. J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

SOCCER

Early-season soccer matches between highly-regarded teams are supposed to be like this. First one side surges, then the other. Back and forth, usually with little impact on the scoreboard. When Canton hosted Novi Tuesday, that's exactly the scenario that materialized. Both teams exhibited moments of offensive brilliance, but for the most part the defenses reigned supreme. It took a comeback effort from the Chiefs, with a goal in the final 10 minutes of play, to earn a 1-1 draw. "We were getting manhandled," was how Canton coach Don Smith described it. "But we came back and tied it up. We didn't win and we didn't lose." The tie left the Chiefs with a 1-2-1 record. The game was scoreless until nine minutes into the second

half. The Wildcats dominated play for those first few minutes of the half and, with 31:30 left in the game, they finally capitalized when Mike Allie fielded a pass from Jeff Dodds and hooked a shot past Canton keeper Steve Mischung. The ball hit the goalpost and deflected in to give Novi a 1-0 lead. It stayed that way until, with less than 10 minutes remaining, the Chiefs pushed the ball into the corner to the right of the Wildcat net. Pat Zemanski got possession there and centered a pass in front of the Novi net, where Brad Westlund reached it. Westlund's header with 8:45 left got into the net, knotting it at 1-1. It wasn't the best performance of the young season for the Chiefs, according to Smith. "No, we played the ball better on Saturday, he said. But (Novi) marked us better

Kris Holowicki started in goal for Canton. Mischung took over and played the second half. PCA 2 Lutheran Westland 0. Tim Maes and Lou Tripp each scored goals for Plymouth Christian Academy which improved its overall record to 3-0 with a win over Lutheran Westland Tuesday at PCA. Jeff Crandall was in goal for the shutout for the Eagles. Canton, Salem 1-2 at Belmont. Three 30-minute matches and all Canton and Salem had to show for it Saturday was one win and two losses apiece. The Chiefs beat Midland Dow in a shootout then lost to Rochester Adams in a shootout. They played East Lansing last and gave up a couple of early goals eventually losing 3-1. The same fate awaited Salem. The Rocks opened with an impressive 1-0 triumph over defending state champ on University of Detroit Jesuit but after that they lost in shootouts to East Lansing and Troy Athens. Both games ended with the scores knotted at 1-1. Salem scored second half goals in all three games, said Rocks coach Ed McCarthy. Kevin Savitskie scored Salem's goal against Athens. Steve Shull got the Rocks score against East Lansing with Brian Popeney scoring against U-D.

DELASALLE
FROM PAGE D1
"It was a rocket," said DeLaSalle coach Thayer Mukhtar of Stoffel's shot. "No goalie in the state could have stopped that one." That's what we talked about at halftime. I said don't keep going to the corner every

time. Cut in towards goal. He did and that's what happened. Even with the victory, Mukhtar didn't sound convinced his team was the better side. I thought we matched up pretty well with them, he said. The key was we contained (Brian) Popeney. Kevin (Savitskie) gave us some prob

lems. They're a very difficult team to defend. "But we've got a good group of guys — the no-name seniors. They play with a lot of heart. Sure, DeLaSalle has a lot of heart, and it's amplified by an abundance of talent." c. sak@oehomecomm.net | (734) 953-2108

ADULT HOCKEY LEAGUES

Registration is on for adult recreational hockey leagues for over-21, -30, -40, -50 and a new novice league on Sunday evenings, September through March at the Plymouth Cultural Center, Arctic Pond in Plymouth Township and Arctic

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING PROPERTY TAXES AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON OBJECTIONS TO FIRE AND POLICE PROTECTION SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVY

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to Public Acts 33 and 181 of 1951, as amended, for the purpose of hearing objections to defraying the expenses of the Fire and Police Protection Districts by a Special Assessment levy to be spread on the tax rolls effective December 1, 2002.

DATE: Tuesday, September 10, 2002
TIME: 7:00 PM
PLACE: Summit on the Park Community Center, Chestnut Room, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188

On May 18, 1976, a Fire Protection Special Assessment Levy was approved by the voters, and at the June 22, 1976 Public Hearing, the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Canton unanimously approved the creation of a Fire Protection Special Assessment District for the entire Township.

On August 27, 1977, a Police Protection Special Assessment Levy was approved by the voters, and at the September 13, 1977 Public Hearing, the Board of Trustees for the Charter Township of Canton approved the creation of a Police Protection Special Assessment District for the entire Township.

The 2003 estimated Fire and Police budgets submitted by the Public Safety Director and the Administration are as follows:

FIRE DEPARTMENT		POLICE DEPARTMENT	
Salaries & O/T	\$3,728,225	Salaries & O/T	\$6,079,417
Fringe Benefits	1,671,900	Fringe Benefits	3,047,174
Capital Outlay	2,267,539	Capital Outlay	476,790
Operations	996,629	Operations	2,160,356
Bond Debt Service	202,848	Bond Debt Service	67,653
Total	\$8,867,141	Total	\$11,831,390

The proposed millage rates are as follows:

	2001	Limit	2002	Increase (Decrease) over 2001
Fire Millage	2.9400	N/A	2.7400	(0.2000)
Police Millage	4.4000	N/A	4.4000	0.0000
Charter Millage	1.5100	1.4466	1.7100	0.2000
Total	8.8500		8.8500	0.0000

The Charter Millage is more than what the Township could levy under P.A. 5, 1982 (Truth in Taxation). The property tax Charter Millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed 2003 General Fund budget will be a subject of this hearing.

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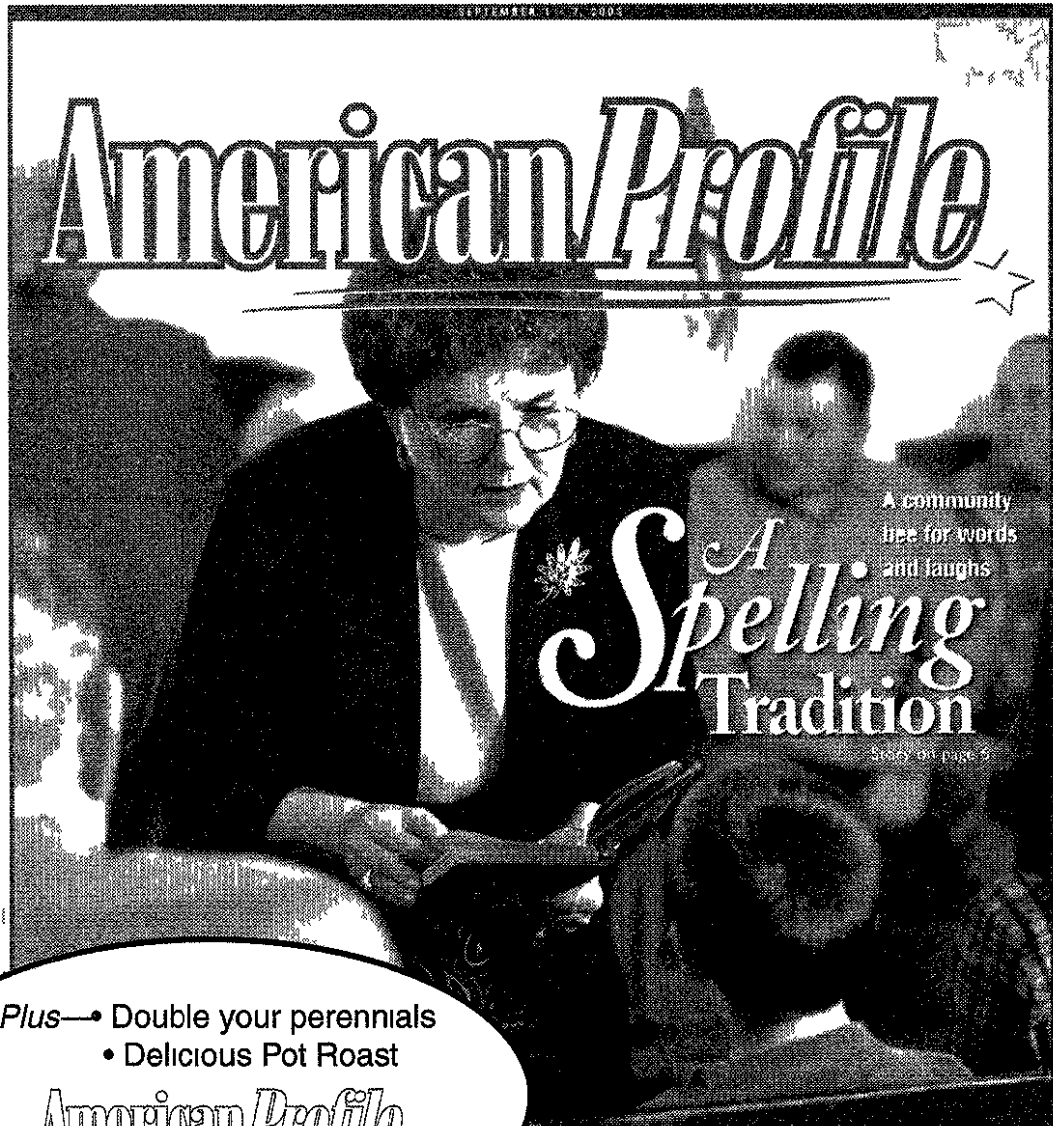
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<p>PREP FOOTBALL Thursday Aug 29 Hamtramck at Luth Westland 4 p m Clarenceville at Lutheran North 4:30 p m Stevenson at Wayne 7 p m Friday Aug 30 Canton at A A Pioneer 7 p m Salem at South Lyon 7:30 p m John Glenn at Det Kettering 3:30 p m Churchill at M H Bishop Foley 7 p m Northville at Franklin 7:30 p m Saturday Aug 31 Redford CC vs Det Crockett at Pontiac Silverdome 7 p m</p>	<p>Clarenceville at Huron Valley 4:30 p m Luth Westland at S field Christian 4:30 p m Franklin vs CC (Greenmead) 5:30 p m Churchill at Saline 7 p m</p> <p>PREP BOYS CROSS COUNTRY Thursday Aug 29 Canton at Troy Athens Invite 4 p m</p> <p>PREP GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY Thursday Aug 29 Canton at Troy Athens Invite 4 p m</p> <p>PREP GIRLS SWIMMING Thursday Aug 29 Wayne at Trenton Quad 5:30 p m Ladywood at Edsel Ford 7 p m</p> <p>PREP BOYS GOLF Thursday Aug 29 Redford CC at UD Jesuit 4 p m</p> <p>PREP GIRLS TENNIS Thursday Aug 29 Clarenceville at Franklin 4 p m Dearborn at Churchill 4 p m John Glenn at Ypsilanti 4 p m Annapolis at Wayne 4 p m</p>	<p>MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Saturday Aug 31 S craft at Lake County (III) Tourney TBA Sunday Sept 1 S craft at Lake County (III) Tourney TBA</p> <p>WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER Friday Aug 30 Madonna at St Francis (Ind) 8 p m Saturday Aug 31 S craft vs Johnson County at Lake County (III) Tourney 1:30 p m Madonna at Indiana Wesleyan 8 p m Sunday Sept 1 S craft vs Iowa Central at Lake County (III) Tourney 11 a m</p> <p>WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL Friday Aug 30 Schoolcraft at St Clair Tourney 6 p m Madonna at Point Loma Nazarene Seaside (Calif) Invitational Tourney TBA Saturday Aug 31 Schoolcraft at St Clair Tourney 9 a m Madonna at Point Loma Nazarene Seaside (Calif) Invitational Tourney TBA TBA - time to be announced</p>
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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■ The Northville Broncos, an 11-and under travel boys baseball team, needs players for next season. Tryouts are from 2-5 p.m. Sept. 7, 8, 14 and 15 at Northville Community Park, located on Beck between Six and Seven Mile roads. Players with birth dates on or after Aug. 1, 1991 are eligible.

For more information, call Coach Mills at (248) 449-7425.

■ The Canton Cubs, a 12 U travel baseball team, is looking to add a few players to its 2003 roster. Tryout sessions will be held from 10 a.m. noon Aug. 31

and Sept. 7 on Field No. 4 at the Plymouth Township Park. Call Steve Estes at (734) 844-1233, or Larry Ott at (734) 981-4280.

■ The Canton Cardinals, a 14-and-under travel baseball team, will have tryouts for the 2003 season at noon and at 6 p.m. on Sept. 7 at Flodin Park in Canton, located on Saltz and Morton Taylor roads.

For more information about the team and residency requirements, call Dave Glove at (734) 981-3427 or on his cell at (734) 516-3383.

■ The Canton Cougars, an under-13 travel baseball team, will have tryouts for the 2003 season at 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 7 and at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 8 at McClumpha Park in Plymouth Township. The Cougars will play a 50-60 game schedule that includes Little Caesars Amateur Baseball Federation games as well as tournaments.

Players must be residents of Plymouth or Canton to tryout.

Call Marc Madias at (734) 207-5424.

PCJBA HOOP SIGNUP

Registration for the 2002-03 Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association for boys and girls in grades 3-8 will be from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 3 at East Middle School.

Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The cost is \$100 for grades 3-6 and \$110 for grades 7-8.

To be eligible, students must reside in the Plymouth-Canton school district or Canton Township. Tryouts will be conducted before teams are organized for the purpose of equalizing competition. The season consists of 10 games and a tournament. Jerseys will be provided.

Parents interested in coaching should register on the same dates.

CANTON T-BALL, COACH-PITCH

A few openings remain in the Canton Community Junior Baseball-Softball Association for T-ball (ages 4-6) and coach-pitch (ages 7-8) programs.

Teams are being formed now. Games will be each Saturday starting in September. Practice starts the end of August.

Boys and girls must be residents of the Plymouth-Canton school district, Canton Township, Plymouth Township or the City of Plymouth. Proof of age is required.

The fee for T-ball is \$70, \$80 for coach-pitch. Fees are non-refundable. Call Chris Angel at (734) 981-3007.

FALL ROLLER HOCKEY

Michigan Dekhockey, located on Michigan Avenue, just west of I-275, is holding open registra-

tion for all ages and skills levels for its fall season leagues from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday throughout the month of August.

The season will start the week of Sept. 9 and run through the end of November.

The season consists of 12 games, playoffs, youth league all-star games, minimum of three practices, game jersey (for all youth teams), trophies for champions and medals for all finalists.

The cost is \$140 per person (Team fees are also available). Call (734) 397-8900 or visit www.michigandekhockey.com.

nis shoes. The season starts the week of Sept. 9 and runs through the end of November.

Registration will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday throughout the month of August. You can sign up as an individual or adults can form their own teams.

The season includes 10 games, playoffs, minimum of two practices, trophies to the champions and medals to the finalist. The cost is \$80 per person (Team fees are also available).

Call (734) 397-8900 or visit www.michigandekhockey.com.

SOCCER PLAYERS WANTED

The Plymouth Cobras, an under-11 co-ed soccer team, needs additional players. Spots are limited on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Those interested should call the Plymouth YMCA at (734) 453-2904.

DEKHOCKEY/STREET HOCKEY

Michigan Dekhockey, located on Michigan Avenue, two miles west of I-275, is forming its street hockey fall season leagues (ages 4 through adult).

Street hockey is played in ten-

**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 September 19th 2002 for the following:

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AND SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES FOR THE CANTON DDA STREETScape

*Please note that the contracts may be bid separately. Details are described in the bid specifications.

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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**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
(734) 453-1234**

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday September 5 2002 at 7:00 PM in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall 201 S Main Street Plymouth MI to consider the following items:

- Z 02 15 593 Deer Non Use Variance Requested
- Rear Yard Setback and Parking Reduction
- Zoned RM 1 Multiple Family Residential
- Applicant Plymouth Opportunity House

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following:

Carol Stone ADA Coordinator
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Plymouth MI 48170 (734) 453-1234 Ext. 206

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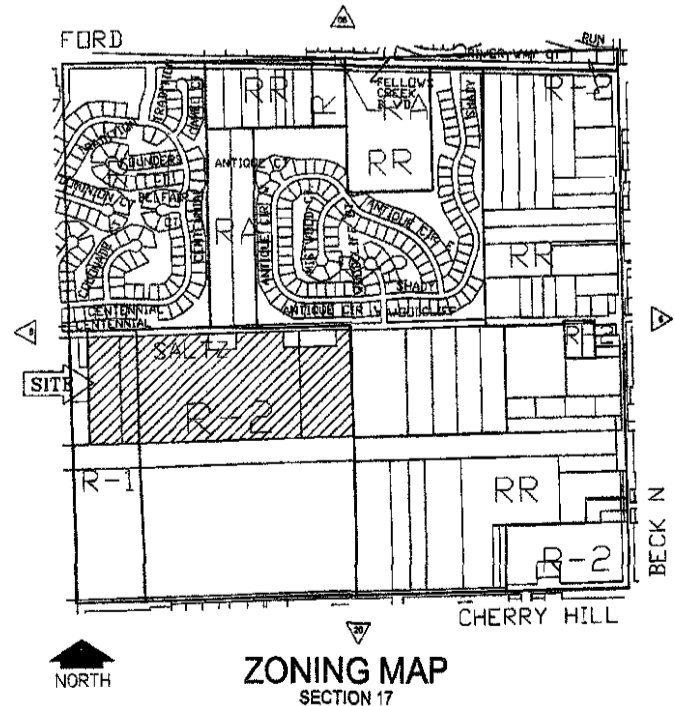
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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

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, September 23 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:

FOUNDERS WOODS PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) AMENDMENT #1 (RUSTIC RIDGE COMPONENT) CONSIDER REQUEST TO AMEND THE PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27.04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S) 067 99 0005 000 067 99 0006 000 067 99 0008 000 and 067 99 0010 000. Property is located south of Saltz between Ridge and Beck Roads. (First Public Hearing.)



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday September 19 2002 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

VIC GUSTAFSON
Chairman

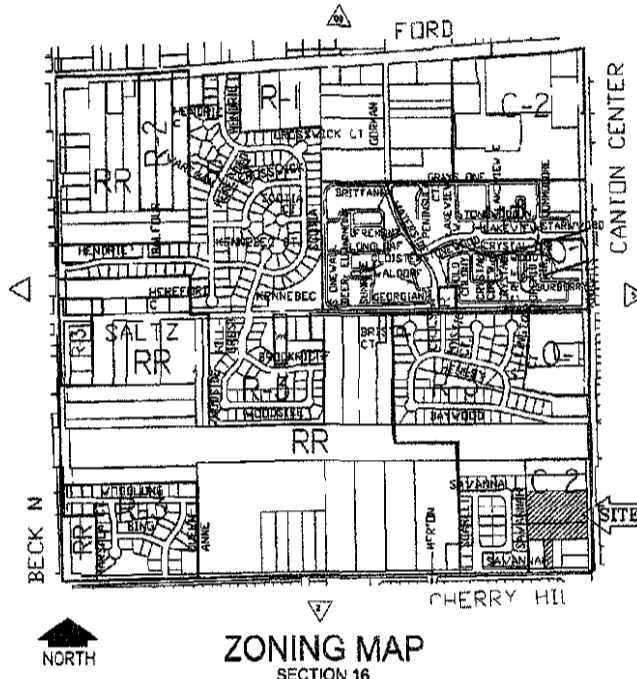
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday September 9 2002 in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance:

CANTON ONE STOP SHOPPING CENTER SPECIAL LAND USE CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR PLANNED SHOPPING CENTER AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B.9 FOR PARCEL NOS 064 99 0014 701 064 99 0013 703 AND 064 99 0016 000. Property is located west of Canton Center and north of Cherry Hill Road.



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VIC GUSTAFSON Chairman

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QUALITY CARE FORD SERVICE CENTER SPECIAL LAND USE CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR AUTOMOBILE SERVICE STATION AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 16.02B.8 FOR PARCEL NO 036 99 0004 702. Property is located west of Canton Center Road between Hanford and Ford Road.



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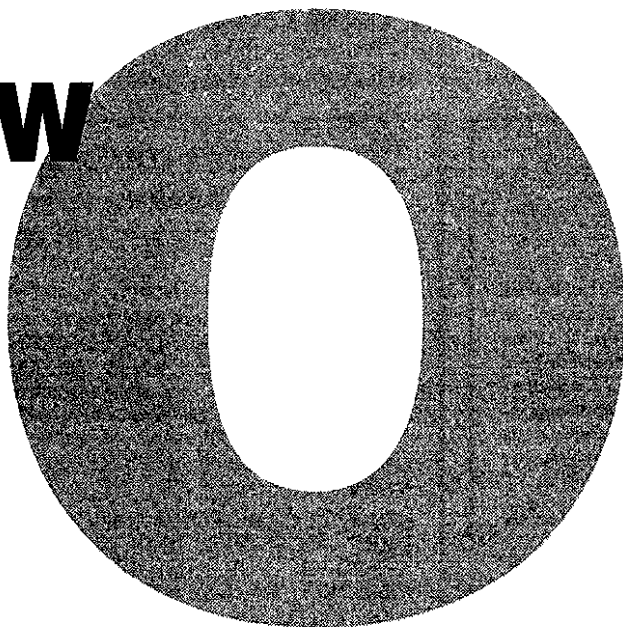
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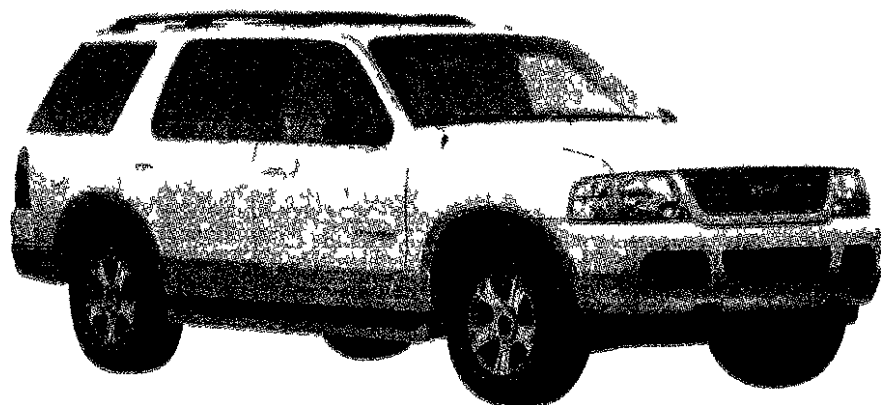
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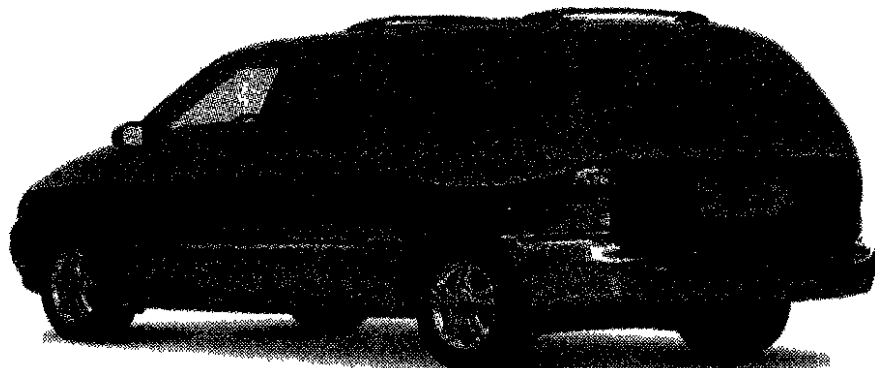
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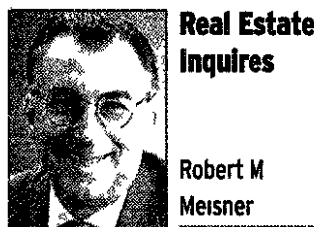
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Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

On audits, setting easements

Is there a requirement for associations to be audited annually by a Certified Public Accountant?

No The Condominium Act requires that the books and records of the association be reviewed annually by an independent accountant, although that doesn't necessarily mean that to be a CPA

You may well be advised, however, to have a CPA review and audit your books to ensure that they're in proper order and kept in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles

I have a deed that states that the boundary of my recreational easement begins at the water's edge, but my neighbor is contesting saying that's too ambiguous. What do you say?

The problem with setting the boundary of a recreational easement at the water's edge is that fluctuating water levels may change the basis by which your easement begins

Accordingly, if you have a surveyor's line as the beginning of the easement, you are much better off to prevail with respect to the situation

Of course, there's also the possibility you may have a prescriptive easement, depending on how long you have maintained the easement in question

Robert M. Meisner a lawyer concentrates his practice in the areas of condominiums real estate corporate law and litigation He can be reached at bmeisner@mich.com This column provides general information and shouldn't be construed as legal advice



Photograph that pretty garden now to impress would-be winter buyers

BY DOUG FUNKE
STAFF WRITER

If you think you might offer your home for sale in late fall or early spring, get the camera out now Especially if your dazzling landscape will lie fallow or covered with snow when the property hits multi-listing services

Prospective buyers like to visually measure a home's interior to see how their belongings might fit in when visiting

But the outside is somewhat different It can be overlooked, especially when the weather gets dicey

So if you have a beautiful pond surrounded by rocks out back, or a collection of flowering perennials like black-eyed Susans, daisies and mums, or a ground cover that includes myrtle and hily of the valley, show 'em through photos in the off season

A good first impression can include pictures And several great photos set out on a table as prospects walk in the door will impress more than a lengthy explanation on a listing feature sheet

"It's a great marketing tool," said Bill Hampton, associate broker with RE/MAX Village Professionals in Clarkston "What is it they say - 'A great picture is worth a thousand bucks'"

'How can you show the house (landscaping) off if there's six inches of snow on the ground and everything is dormant?'

Tony Konja
Artistic Outdoor Services

Hampton said pictures of perennial gardens at a house he bought in Clarkston and later sold drew him and subsequent buyers to the property

"It really contributed to the listing," he said "You never really know what's going to cinch the deal whatever triggers a little cell in the brain

"A lot of agents don't have the foresight to make a suggestion like that," Hampton said of landscaping pictures

He isn't alone in his recommendation to shoot away

"How can you show the house (landscaping) off if there's six inches of snow on the ground and everything is dormant?" said Tony Konja, owner of Artistic Outdoor Services in Farmington Hills

"I don't think people think ahead They don't think what if the house goes on the market in January, February, March or even April when the house will be very bleak looking

"Now is the time to take those pictures We're in our

peak blooming season," Konja said

"It makes real good sense to me," added Donna Folland, executive director of the Oakland Land Conservancy in Rochester "It's a wonderful idea. You can't always see what's there

"I remember when we bought our house in Romeo where people are very interested in the historical component," she said

"People we bought from left out some old pictures It had been on the home tour a couple of times and they had brochures That's like the same idea in a different way

"It made me more interested, a deeper feeling," Folland said "It made the house more valuable"

"I would say it's a great idea," said Beth Singer, a Franklin-based professional photographer who specializes in the design/build industry "It's nice if they can show over three seasons if they plan ahead or have something special"

Singer offers one big piece of advice to amateur photographers trying to capture landscape images

"Don't do it in harsh light Do it when it's more overcast or soft light Dusk or dawn is a nice time," she said

Also, consider hiring a professional if the landscaping is a major component of the property, Singer added

Nancy Austin, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker Preferred in Plymouth, said she's never experienced buyers who specifically said they purchased on the basis of pictures

"When people see a house with things in bloom it does influence them," Austin said "A well-landscaped house gives a clue to a buyer how well the house is taken care of"

That's why sellers should always take the time to trim, manicure and otherwise clean up at the end of the growing season, she said Mild winters can still showcase landscaping

"It makes sense to sellers and I'm not saying people won't look at the pictures," Austin added

"In winter, I suggest a colorful plant on the dining room table or a tall, green plant in the foyer You need something to make people feel welcome"

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Mortgage Bits



Tim 'Timbo' Phillips

Loan lessons from youth

On Sept. 1, my oldest daughter's birthday, I will reach a milestone in my life as my combined years of fatherhood will match my age (Of course, that's not too difficult with four children) I have given my children some pretty decent pointers throughout the years, and I laugh about the life lessons they have taught me

Most notably, my family has taught me to keep things simple and enjoyable My three-year-old gives me continuous training in this area every time she walks into my office donning her Tweety Bird slippers and sunglasses while showing off her freshly-colored Blues Clues pages

I allow these liberating lessons to affect my mortgage business, too Sure, securing money for your home is serious business We mortgage loan officers are like emergency room surgeons in that we deal with life issues daily, and there is usually a time pressure attached

However, getting a mortgage can also be a wonderfully fulfilling part of your life if you keep it in perspective I usually tell my first time buyers, "This should be an exciting time in you Enjoy it I will tell you if you need to worry"

Here are a few "kid things" you can do to make the loan process more enjoyable

Keep good company Pick a trustworthy, knowledgeable, and amicable loan officer If yours is devious, stupid or cranky, you are certain to be stressed

Don't talk to strangers Make sure your lender comes highly referred by a trusted source Having a loan officer promise you "the moon" means nothing if he fails to get your money to the closing table as promised Hint a TV advertisement is not a referral from a trusted source Save your money Mortgage brokers can often cut deals because they usually have access loan products from more than just one lender This also enables them to "change gears" behind the scenes if they hit a glitch

Do your homework Educate yourself on the mortgage process Ask your loan officer questions that you can't figure out by yourself

Have fun along the way It's the number one kid thing to do

Tim "Timbo" Phillips is a mortgage loan officer serving all of Michigan You may contact him anytime at (734) 797 5522 or via e mail at PhillipsHQ@comcast.net Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation

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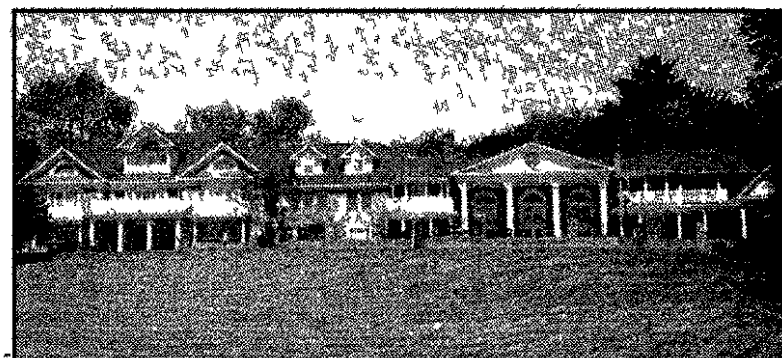


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BUY HOME CLASS

Flagstar Bank and RE/MAX present a free class for home buyers 7-8 30 p.m. Thursday, Aug 29, at Westminster Title, 39500 High Pointe Blvd., Suite 140 (off Haggerty between

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EFFECTIVE PLANNING

Michigan State University Extension sponsors a series of nine classes on effective community planning 6-8 30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept 4-Oct 30, at the Wayne RESA Building, 5454 Venoy, Wayne

Topics include retaining tax base and community character, environmental issues with storm water management, developing brownfields, and eliminating nuisances

Classes may be taken individu-

ally for \$35, or the entire nine-week sequence for \$315

For information, contact Kristine L. Hahn at (313) 833-3417

LIEN LAW CLASS

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan offers an update on the Michigan Construction Lien Law 8 30 a.m. to noon Thursday, Sept 5, at BIA headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills

Cost, which includes continental breakfast, is \$50 for members, \$75 for non-members To register, call (248) 862-1017

BUY HOME CLASS II

Standard Federal Bank conducts a free seminar on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 7, at Peoples Community Church, 29745 Annapolis, Westland

Participants may apply for a Standard Federal program designed to make home ownership more affordable for people with moderate to low incomes To register, call (734) 722-1280

BUILD HOME CLASS

Livonia Community Education and Oakland Builders Institute offer a 16-hour seminar, "How to Build Your Own Home," Tuesdays and Thursdays, Sept 17-26, at Riley Middle School, 15555 Henry Ruff, Livonia.

Topics include estimating costs, building codes/permits, and construction basics Cost is \$207, plus \$25 for two textbooks To register, call (734) 523-9277

BUY HOME CLASS III

Juliette Bauman, a Realtor with RE/MAX Classic in Livonia, and Colonial Mortgage present a free class for home buyers 6 30-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept 18, at the Livonia Civic Center Library, 32777 Five Mile, east of Farmington Road, Livonia

To register, call Bauman at (734) 779-9977

HOMEARAMA

The BIA presents Homearama Macomb, 13 new houses for public view, Sept 19-Oct 6 at Cornerstone Village Subdivision, off Card Road just south of 22 Mile Road, Macomb Township

Hours are 2-9 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays Cost is \$7, with children under 12 free

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LICENSE CLASS

Schoolcraft College offers a 40-hour class required to obtain a real estate license 5 30-10 30 p.m. Thursdays, Sept 19-Nov 7, on campus, 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia

Cost is \$269, \$215 for senior citizens To register, call (734) 462-4448

CORNET MEETING

CoreNet Michigan Chapter, a group of commercial/international Realtors, hosts a lunch and tour of the new Ford Field noon Thursday, Sept 19, at the

stadium, 2000 Brush, Detroit

Cost is \$35 for members, \$50 for non-members To register, fax or e-mail Kelly Taylor at (734) 722-5304 or Kelly.J.Taylor@Comcast.net

CHAINSAW SAFETY

The Michigan Recreation and Park Association conducts a chainsaw safety and maintenance workshop 8 a.m. to 2 30 p.m. Thursday, Oct 3, at the Waterford Oaks Activity Center in that community

Cost, which includes lunch, is \$30 for members and \$40 for non-members To register, call (517) 485-9888

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

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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 at (313) 963-1274

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The Building Owners and Managers International has released a CD-ROM, "The Property Professional's Guide to Building Energy

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BIA UPDATES

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan now provides weekly updates of news and information affecting the construction industry to members via e-mail

Contact Rosalie Lamb at the association, (248) 737-4477 for details

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

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"Playgrounds for Young Children" is available for \$40 by calling (703) 548-8600, or ordering through www.caonline.org

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He has a bachelor's degree in accounting from Valparaiso (Ind.) University and lives in Royal Oak.

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She brings five years experience to the position

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Birmingham	576 Bloomfield \$307,000	552 Brookside \$800,000	823 Coolidge \$153,000	2807 Dorchester \$243,000	1177 Henrietta St \$380,000	413 N Eton # 208 \$147,000	2602 Pembroke \$230,000	1788 Sheffield \$200,000	1878 anley \$348,000
Bloomfield Hills/Township	1777 Alexander \$575,000	2291 E Hammond Lake \$250,000	1302 Forestglen \$210,000	434 Fox Hills \$97,000	5647 Raven \$365,000	3855 Shallow Brook \$320,000	1234 Timberview \$225,000	501 Weybridge \$269,000	4899 Wye Oak \$275,000
Clarkston	8680 Crosby Lk \$188,000	6408 Heron Park \$252,000	9751 Kingston Pt \$100,000	6609 Loch Moor \$286,000	5578 Northcrest \$250,000	9779 Ortonville \$150,000	9855 Ortonville \$600,000	10295 Rama \$373,000	10270 Reese \$277,000
Commerce Township	229 Arabelle \$134,000	4975 Birkdale \$412,000	5139 Birkdale \$385,000	2030 Canal \$238,000	2050 Canal \$205,000	5495 Clearwood \$140,000	5034 Greenview \$299,000	1869 J Anthony Pte \$345,000	4971 Knollcrest \$450,000
Farmington	33940 Alta Loma \$205,000	22814 Brookdale \$178,000	13120 Country Way \$56,000	24255 El Marco \$235,000	21347 Flanders \$200,000	22225 Gill \$195,000	28419 Golf Pte \$424,000	24820 Ivywood \$298,000	24905 Ivywood \$346,000
Farmington Hills	37549 Avon \$350,000	29580 Balfast \$220,000	29185 Chateau \$90,000	28419 Golf Pte \$424,000	24820 Ivywood \$298,000	24905 Ivywood \$346,000	21649 Mayfield \$245,000	29629 Middlebelt \$234,000	28611 Millbrook \$415,000
Keego Harbor	2215 Maddy \$163,000	1823 Warwick \$145,000	Lake Orion	364 Franklin Wright \$277,000	2746 Gemini \$228,000	2805 Glenwood \$101,000	2576 Holmes \$232,000	1015 Ind anpipe \$348,000	2988 Lessiter \$232,000
Lathrup Village	17630 Coral Gables \$219,000	18151 Santa Ann \$245,000	Oakland Township	3924 Ellamae \$249,000	3890 Mt Laurel \$650,000	Oxford	1486 Chestnut \$125,000	1672 Chieftan \$813,000	1004 Island Lake \$69,000
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Southfield	20410 Alhambra \$182,000	27925 Arlington \$252,000	21224 Berg \$109,000	27245 Bradford \$240,000	24159 Evergreen \$123,000	18609 Geo Wash ton \$300,000	19690 Goldwin \$132,000	23221 He en \$169,000	22218 Ivanhoe \$245,000
Troy	2970 Athena \$190,000	1149 Boyd \$141,000	5250 Breeze Hill \$158,000	1534 Brentwood \$194,000	1883 Oxford \$183,000	5078 Buckingham \$167,000	1125 Chop n \$145,000	6203 Herbmoor \$265,000	139 Kenyon \$148,000
West Bloomfield	7364 Barrington \$210,000	4165 Breckenridge \$245,000	6367 Buxton \$263,000	5429 Clandage \$297,000	5198 Coldspring \$254,000	7222 Creeks Bend \$150,000	7037 Dandison \$395,000	7037 Dandison \$462,000	2547 Empire \$108,000
Westland	1438 Crinson \$50,000	1891 Dogwood \$305,000	1433 Dover \$129,000	2067 Hidden Mdw \$140,000	2120 Matthew \$230,000	2120 Matthew \$268,000	1943 Meadow Rdg \$199,000	1146 N Edd e \$140,000	619 Ridge \$233,000
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Garages extend living space

(NAPS) - The latest cool area of the house that's driving homeowners to the "extreme" just may be the garage. According to the Chamberlain Group, a manufacturer of garage door openers and accessories, garages are the next frontier for enthusiastic home improvement buffs not content with a huge closet for cars, bicycles, ladders and lawn tools. People who buy sales models of new homes where the garage is partially finished and used as an office may want to listen up, too. "I love to take any space and make it over," said Dawn Nichols, a homeowner whose three-car garage boasts a pool table, bar, TV, refrigerator, microwave, central air and heat. With larger, multi-car garages on the rise, devices necessary to open and close the doors can be a real handful. In addition to luxury, convenience and quiet operation, safety and security also are important. Consider this checklist: ■ A garage door monitor can tell you whether the garage door is open or closed from any room in the house. ■ A motion detecting panel can automatically turn garage door opener lights on when you enter a

dark garage from inside the home. ■ A keyless entry outside the garage can allow access with a private security code. ■ A remote control can even turn house lights on and off. On some systems, control panels mount inside the garage and operate up to three doors from one central location, eliminating the clutter and confusion of multiple controls. "Super-quiet belt drives have been a big hit with consumers," said Sally Anderson, a vice president with Chamberlain. Particularly where the garage is below a bedroom or home office,

hardly missed because of the bar's attractive cultured stone peeking out from underneath.

Eating bar serves several functions

FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES As every parent knows, an eating bar is a handy place to serve kids breakfast, lunch, after-school snacks and, well, dinner. In short, it's a really good place to serve the kids any food at all. Sometimes mom and dad even join in. When guests come to visit, clear the barstools and use the bar as a serving counter for appetizers during a big game or a buffet-style brunch. This versatile kitchen fixture has replaced the pass-through in many designs, giving the kitchen a more open feel and the cook a better chance to participate in the action in the next room. Snack bars, serving bars and breakfast bars vary in shapes and sizes. Some are angled, some are straight. Many are quite wide, but their petite counterparts are still useful as beverage counters and as a holding space for hot dishes that are about to be whisked to the table. The only real requirement is that the structure include a section that extends from the kitchen into the adjoining space - often, the dining room, eating nook and/or great room - and have an overhang of some depth. An angled bar can provide an overhang deep enough to sit under and wide enough to

accommodate several chairs. When the chairs are cleared away for a buffet spread, they're

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Fluorescent lighting provides many advantages

Lighting may not be the first thing that comes to mind when you start thinking about the features you desire in your new home.

Many homeowners have learned that correct fixtures in the right locations before the drywall is installed can save them from having to make do with poor lighting situations or invest in costly renovations once a home is completed.

New advances in lighting technology can also provide considerable cost savings for homeowners.

Determining the best lighting in a home isn't always easy. Many factors need to be considered. Those include what type of activities are done in

the room, what type of atmosphere the homeowner wishes to create in each room and how the lighting in rooms with multiple uses can be configured for different tasks.

Builders suggest home buyers work with professional lighting designers who can analyze their home's blueprints, as well as lifestyle, and provide advice on the best lighting for the particular situation.

Professional lighting designers are also knowledgeable about energy efficient lighting fixtures. Because of recent energy shortages on the West Coast, for instance, lighting specialists have worked with many homeowners seeking to install more efficient lighting in their homes.

Once conclusion is that common fluorescent lamps may not be receiving the attention they deserve.

Fluorescent lighting is clearly superior to common incandescent lighting, which can be characterized as "a flame in a bottle." Only 10 percent of the energy that goes into an incandescent bulb comes out as light. The rest is heat. So 90 percent of the energy is wasted.

Fluorescent lights suffer from a somewhat tarnished reputation because people don't like their tendency to flicker and buzz. These problems are eliminated when fluorescent lights are fitted with an electronic ballast instead of a traditional magnetic ballast.

Large fluorescent lamps come in three sizes. Lighting specialists recommend using the T-8 size (with a one-inch diameter) over the T-12s (with a 1 1/2 inch diameter) because they can provide more light at a lower wattage and better color quality.

Anywhere in a home where an old-fashioned incandescent light bulb is providing adequate light, homeowners should consider using compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs).

Made of two smaller tubes with a single end, CFLs are similar in size, shape, light distribution and light quality to incandescent lamps. However, CFLs are considerably more energy efficient.

A 17-watt, screw-in CFL provides about as much light as a 60-watt incandescent bulb, but can last for 10,000 hours compared to 1,000 hours for an incandescent.

At a rate of five cents per kilowatt hour (the rate is higher in many parts of the country), the CFL has a life cycle cost of \$18.50 compared to \$35 for an incandescent bulb.

While there are big cost savings down the road, purchasing a CFL is more expensive. The cost of a CFL is in the \$10 range compared to about 50 cents for a 120-volt, frosted light bulb.

No matter how strong the advantages of fluorescent lighting, it isn't suitable for every

application in the home. And it's hardly the final innovation in residential lighting. With even the best light sources being only 25-percent efficient, there's ample room for more progress in good lighting design.

By working with your builder and a professional lighting designer, the lighting in your home can be as energy efficient as possible and functional, too.

James P. Babcock is vice president/secretary of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan headquartered in Farmington Hills. He's been a master builder for 28 years and is president of Tara Building Co. and Eagle Pointe Homes, both in St. Clair Shores.

Mortgage refinancings soar; 30-year rates up slightly

(AP) - Rates for 30-year mortgages rose slightly last week after hitting a 32-year low just one week earlier, according to a nationwide survey.

Freddie Mac, the mortgage company, reported that the average interest rate on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage edged up to 6.27 percent, compared to 6.22 percent last week, which was the lowest rate in 32 years of record keeping.

Low mortgage rates are feeding a boom in mortgage refinancing. The Mortgage Bankers Association reported that mortgage applications hit a record level two weeks ago, according to a survey the organization does tracking mortgage applications for home purchases and refi-

ncings. "The current low rate environment should continue late into the year, predicted Doug Duncan, chief economist at the mortgage group.

Frank Nothaft, chief economist at Freddie Mac, said that even with the lowest mortgage rates in three decades, it appeared that home sales may be starting to slow.

"The housing industry may finally be slowing to a still healthy, more normal pace," he said, noting that sales of existing homes in June and housing starts for July had moderated a bit.

"When figures for new and existing home sales for July are released, we will have a better picture of whether or not the housing

market is actually easing a bit as summer comes to a close, Nothaft said.

According to the MBA survey, home refinancing accounted for 70.8 percent of activity two weeks ago, the first time that share has been above 70 percent since November.

The Freddie Mac mortgage survey showed that rates for 15-year fixed-rate mortgages also edged up slightly this week, climbing to 5.71 percent compared to 5.63 percent last week.

However, rates on one-year adjustable mortgages continued to decline, dropping to 4.34 percent this week, compared to 4.39 percent last week.

By comparison, rates on all three mortgage categories were higher this time a year ago. Rates

for 30-year mortgages averaged 6.91 percent a year ago, while rates on 15-year mortgages were 6.47 percent and one-year adjustable rate mortgages were 5.68 percent.

These rates don't include add-on fees known as points. Thirty-year mortgages, 15-year mortgages and one-year ARMs all carried an average 0.7 point fee this week, according to the Freddie Mac survey.

Mortgage rates have been falling in recent weeks as economists have slashed their expectations for economic growth in the second half of this year because of concerns that the turmoil on Wall Street will trigger a new wave of job layoffs and cutbacks in consumer spending.

Consider options before purchasing leaf blower

(NAPS) - The season is called fall for a reason. All of those colorful leaves eventually will end up on the ground, and you'll have to clean them up.

A handheld or backpack leaf blower can be a powerful tool in removing the remnants of the autumn season. Plus, it's a convenient alternative to arm-tiring, back-wrenching raking.

Leaf blowers provide more efficiency in the clean-up process," said Mark Michaels, unit manager at Husqvarna, a leaf-blowing manufacturer. "Compared to manual tools, a blower will allow you to cover more ground with less fatigue."

Michaels offers these tips for selecting a blower.

■ The true test of a power in a leaf blower isn't the size of the engine or rated horsepower but the amount of air it puts out in a given moment of time.

■ Air volume is measured by cubic feet per minute (CFM). If you're buying a handheld blower, look for one greater than 350 CFM. For backpack models, anything above 575 CFM will provide high efficiency.

■ Consider the nozzle shape. A narrow outlet will provide higher air speed, good for moving wet, heavy material. A

wider nozzle provides lower air speed but creates a wider path, allowing you to move large amounts of dry material.

■ If you have a large area to tackle, consider a backpack blower. It reduces stress on the shoulders and back, especially if equipped with a hip pad and used properly.

■ A backpack blower with the throttle handle mounted on the tube allows for the most maneuverability and least fatigue. Look for a throttle that allows you to lock the speed at a constant rate.

■ When considering a handheld blower, look for one with an in-line handle. If the handle is offset from the tube, your wrist will be forced to rotate in an unnatural position. Also, many handheld blowers come with a vacuum attachment for mulching.

■ Visit an outdoor power equipment dealer for additional tips or to try out a blower. Get advice from someone who's been around power equipment long enough to help you make a smart buying decision.

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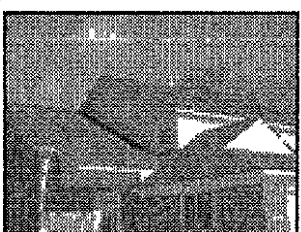
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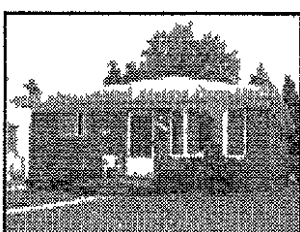
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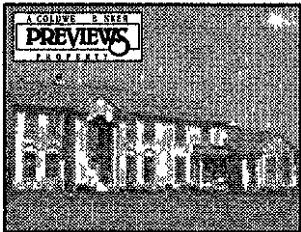
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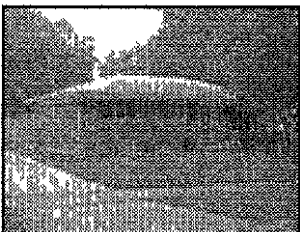
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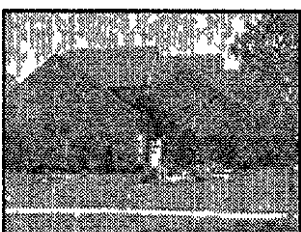
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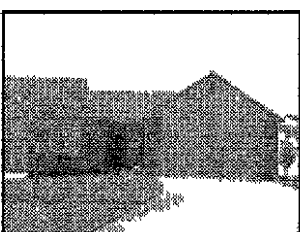
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Brick cape cod on a gigantic 65 setting 4BR 2 1/2 BA Spac kit & nook Lux 1st fr master ste 1st fr study Hdwd flrs in kit nook powder rm & hallway Brand new inground pool (BGP 05Cyp) 888 223 6691



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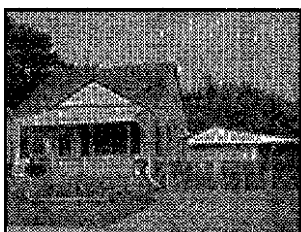
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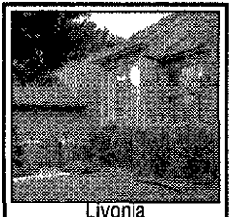
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Weight Watchers Farmington Hills Headquarters has an exciting opportunity for a general accounting clerk. Candidate must have a minimum of 3 years experience in the following areas: bank reconciliations, financial statements, sales tax computations, account reconciliation and receivables. Position requires an excellent math aptitude with 10 key and computer proficiency. BA in Accounting or equivalent degree is necessary. We offer competitive wages and a comprehensive benefit package. If qualified forward your resume with salary requirements to Dept ACN The WW Group Inc P.O. Box 9072 or fax to 248-324 1502 EOE

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AIMCO the nation's largest property management company has an opening for a Leasing Consultant at its Farmington Hills location. Independence Green Apartment Homes is a 981 unit premier community located in Farmington Hills MI. The successful candidate must have proven previous leasing experience and be customer service oriented and have a dynamic personality. If you feel you are the right person for this job then fax a resume to Brenda Norts Community Manager at 248 476 0860 or email 041514@aimco.com

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Needed for Westland and Novi apartment communities. Must have an outgoing personality and excellent closing skills. Full time with benefits including 401(k). Please fax resume to Danielle at (248) 569 1508

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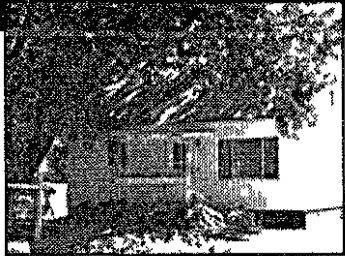
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• Brady from Schoolcraft to Glendale
R-125
• Schoolcraft from Dixie to Brady
• Sarasota from Schoolcraft to Glendale
• Salem from Schoolcraft to Glendale
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• Balmoral from Nottingham to Briarcrest
• Nottingham from Friar Ct to Balmoral
• Briarcrest from Friar Ct to 1 1/2 Mile Rd
• Lochmoor from Briarcrest to Middlebelt
F-45
• Hawthorne from Shiawassee to Fink
• Cora from Shiawassee to Fink
• Shiawassee from Hawthorne to Cora
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F-196
• Mayfair from 13 Mile to High Valley
• Northwick from Mayfair to Ravenscroft
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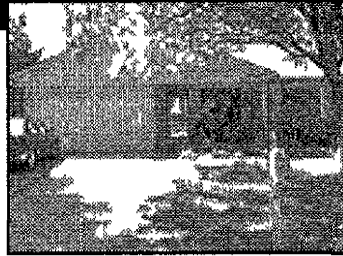
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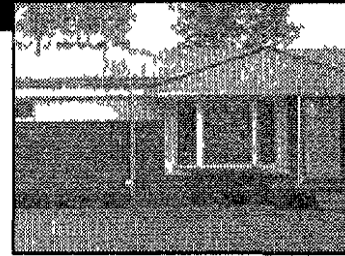
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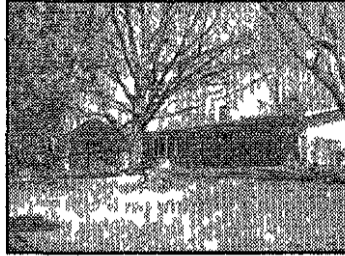
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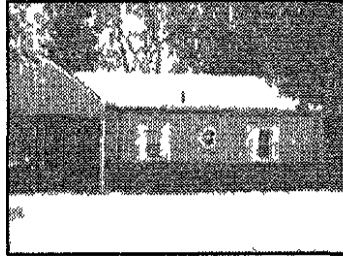
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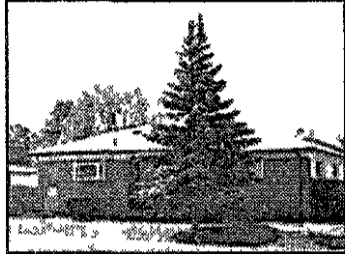
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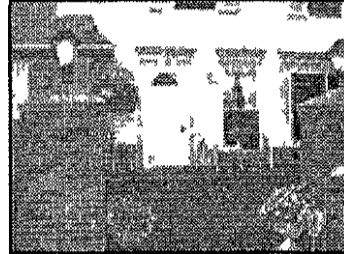
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SOUTH LYON - Lake Angela Co Op A \$200 monthly fee includes taxes insurance heat water and all maintenance Newer kitchen Great view Private Basement Move in condition \$65 000 (94SAN) 248 349 5600



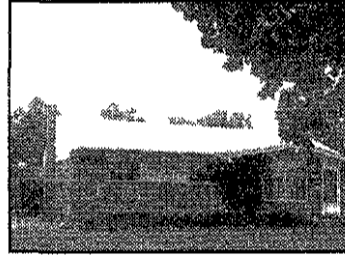
NORTHVILLE - Unique 1947 built farm house with addition built in 1974 all situated on an approx 59 acres right in Northville Loads of storage sprawling sq ftg fin LL w/frplc Large GR w/addnl frplc newer windows updated kit w/all appliances \$279 900 (75BEC) 248 349 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Fabulous! 2BR 2.5 BA Ranch on Nearly an Acre! Upgraded Custom Kit w/appis & cer fir form dr fpl in LR & Woodstove in FR Jacuzzi Tub in BA & Sky lights 8 car garage! \$359 900 (17EVA) 734 455 5600



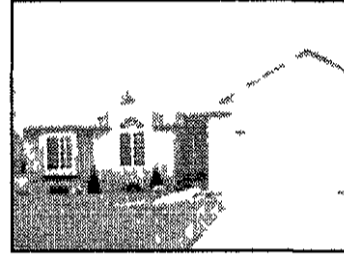
DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Fantastic! 3 BR 1.5 BA Brick Ranch w/Rec Room & Florida Room! Country Kitchen Private & Wooded Backyard 2 car Detached Garage Walk to Private & Public Schools \$134 900 (19PAR) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - Lots to offer! 3 BR 2.5 BA Brick Ranch on a Tree Lined Street Updates incl Roof Furnace C/A Water Heater Vinyl Windows Bth & Large Eat In Kit w/Oak Cabs FIN BSMNT /Full BA 2.5 C Gar \$149 999 (31 VAN) 734 455 5600



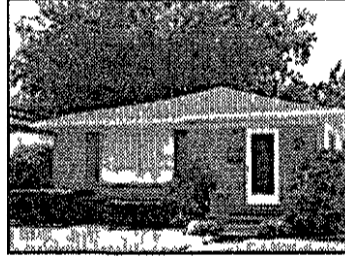
W BLOOMFIELD - Pride of Ownership Original owners have taken loving care of this 4 BR colonial w/country kitchen & many updates Lovely landscaping with walking paths to parks Large tiled mud room & foyer Painted inside & out Extra windows added \$319 900 (72 GRE) 248 349 5600



W BLOOMFIELD - 4 Year New Ranch Open airy 3 BR 2 BA GR w/gas frplc/skylights vaulted ceiling in GR & MBR Jetted tub & tile shower in master bath Full basement ceiling fans neutral T/O fresh paint & newer C/A \$239 900 (85WES) 248 349 5600



NORTHVILLE - Spac home on approx 2 acres Loads of extras custom built home incl eat in kit butler pantry wet bar skylights ceramic floor 1st fl MBR w/hot tub 4 lg BR 3 full & 2-1/2 BA Fin w/o bsmt Finally w/o FR to private gazebo in the woods \$674 000 (94VAL) 248 349-5600



REDFORD - Move In Condition! 3 BR 2 BA Brick Front Ranch w/Finished Basement includes Bath & Fireplace Large Country Kitchen hardwood floor 2 car garage Many Improvements! \$139 900 (27GAY) 734 455 5600



NORTHVILLE - Northville Twin Farmhouse Approx 100 year old home on 1.5 acres! 3 BR 2 BA & Room to Room! Newer Vinyl Siding A/C & Copper Plumbing FPL in LR w/Parlor Mud Rm \$329 900 (00 SEV) 734-455 5600



SOUTH LYON - Many Updates! Don't Miss this Beauty w/Many Updates Vinyl Win in 88 Lanscaped in 96 Updated KIT & ELECT w/Breakers in 99 BSMNT w/GLS BLK WIN & Ready to Be Finished! 2 C Garage \$172 873 (15 VAS) 734 455 5600



COMMERCE - Ranch with Lake Privileges 3 BR 1 BA w/full basement & 2.5 car attached garage Very large fenced lot Doorwall to pleasant deck Beautifully landscaped C/A beach & boat association Walled Lake Schools Lovely setting \$176 000 (16 HAV) 248 349 5600



PLYMOUTH - Historic Old Village Charmer with all the updates 3 BR 2 BA colonial w/beautiful maintenance free exterior w/newer siding & shutters Large first floor laundry & tons of storage An easy walk to downtown Plymouth & fishing in Hines park \$179 900 (51STA) 248 349 5600



TAYLOR - Updated 3 BR 1 BA ranch Full 1.5 car detached garage w/220 service & workshop Roof 00 & copper plumbing/circuit breakers All appliances Low maintenance & low utility bills \$89 500 (48ELM) 248 349-5600



LIVONIA - Attractive & Updated! 4 BR 2 BA Well Maintained Home in Desirable W Livonia 2 C Att GAR Remodeled Oak Kit hrdwd flrs Fam Rm w/fpl Roof Vinyl Siding & Walking Distance to Schools \$227 000 (40LAD) 734 455 5600



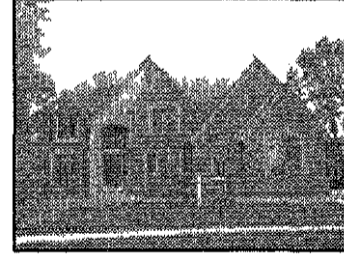
PLYMOUTH - Home Tour Candidate! 4 BR 2 BA 1910 Bth & Recently Renovated & Restored w/Original Charm & Character! LR w/new Cozy Fpl & 3 Season FIN Porch for Added Square Footage This is a MUST SEE! \$259 400 (81 STA) 734 455 5600



CANTON - Many Updates! 3 BR 1.5 BA Newer HRDWD Foyer Berber Carpet in LR Stairs & BDRM Newer Roof Siding C/A & Windows KIT w/Updated CABs Counters FR w/FPL w/Brick Hearth Deck \$205 000 (16 WIN) 734 455 5600



PLYMOUTH - Classic Plymouth Walk to & enjoy downtown from this 3 BR 1.5 BA colonial w/hrdwd floors 9.5 ceilings wood moldings Beveled glass entry library overlooking garden & 2 car garage \$299 900 (32BLU) 248 349 5600



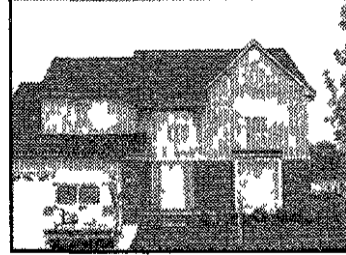
SOUTH LYON - Custom Tanglewood Home Gold community Private lot with walk out basement 4 BR 3 BA 2 1/2 baths 3 car garage 2 story great room & foyer Bonus room off master bath best of the best Unsurpassed level of quality \$850 000 (27POI) 248 349 5600



WHITMORE LAKE - Enjoy sunsets over Whitmore Lake from the balcony of this 3 BR 1.5 BA unit is very nice Full basement attached garage & more Newer carpet hardwood floor paint & deck Walk to the clubhouse w/pool and tennis courts You will not find a nicer home \$154 900 (16 ROC) 248 349 5600



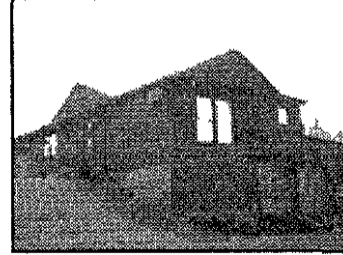
WESTLAND - Beautiful Living Spaces! 3 BR 1.5 BA Gorgeous Newer Kitchen FR w/Stone FPL & Skylights Lovely Spacious LR w/Dinning Area Pretty & Private Rear Yard w/Arbored Deck Livonia Schools \$174 900 (34 LON) 734 455 5600



WESTLAND - WOW! 4 BR 2.5 BA Colonial w/Over 2000sf in Cherry Oak Estates LR FR & Formal DR w/Soaring Ceilings & FPL MSTR S w/WIC & Full Bath w/Garden Tub & Sep Shower FFL BSMNT \$239 800 (24 STE) 734 455 5600



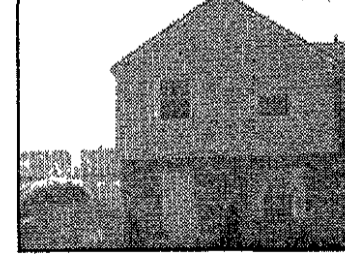
REDFORD - White Picket Fence! Updated Bungalow in Great Neighborhood Custom Decorating Touches thru out make this Hog Truly Unique Updates Windows Copper Plumbing Tear Off Roof GL BLK Win \$122 250 (24 WOO) 734 455 5600



SOUTH LYON - Walk Out Ranch 55+ community Great location & view 2 BR 2 ceramic baths C/A & fan Large FR and Florida room Enjoy Summer & winter on Crooked Lake \$142 000 (15 SHE) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Sweet Townhouse Condo All re done condo in Canton w/private entrance Updates include carpet kitchen bath appliances and HWH to name a few Nicely decorated w/patio & flowers Close to Freeways Plymouth Canton schools \$120 415 (60ORC) 248 349 5600



NOVI - Sharp End Unit Stop your search This 3 BR 1.5 BA unit is very nice Full basement attached garage & more Newer carpet hardwood floor paint & deck Walk to the clubhouse w/pool and tennis courts You will not find a nicer home \$154 900 (16 ROC) 248 349 5600

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NORTHVILLE \$829,900
PRESTIGIOUS GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY! Spectacular home w/nearly 4 200 SF! GR w/soaring ceiling gourmet kitchen w/granite counters dual staircase butler's pantry & custom upgrades t/o (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)

734-455-7000



SOUTH LYON \$449,900
GOLFER'S DREAM HOME backs to 1st fairway of Tanglewood! LR w/vaulted ceiling library lovely FR 4 BR 2 5 baths dramatic mstr ste w/glamour bath & more! (06SPY2)

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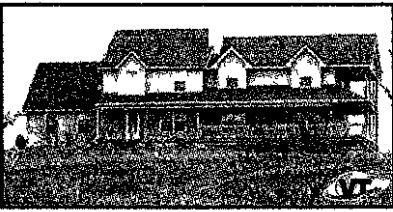
NORTHVILLE \$449,900
TURN KEY CONDITION! IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY! Lg home on lg lot with circular driveway 4 BR 2 5 baths brand new furnace & hwh. Built in microwave & over. Near downtown Northville! (00NOR2)

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CANTON \$399,900
LUXURY LIVING! Spacious col in a golf community 4 bdrms 2 5 baths 2 story foyer w/hrdwd Light filled kit w/island Formal LR/DR FR w/frplc Brick paver patio 3 car gar (23M46491)

734-455-7000



HAMBURG \$368,000
CUSTOM BUILT COLONIAL on 2/plus acres! 4 BR 2 5 baths fin d walk out bsmt many extras incl pole barn storage shed above ground pool & more! (15PIE2)

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NORTHVILLE \$339,900
SUPER 5 BR NORTHVILLE COLONY HOME! Updts incl win roof furn AC/siding Prof fin bsmt 2 phone lines beautiful yard brick paver patio close to shopping/x way Highly rated Nthville schls! (41POR2)

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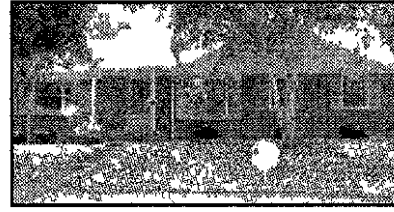
CANTON \$289,975
APPLE PIE CONDITION/CANTON! Only 6 yrs young! 4 bdrm colonial that has all your dream amenities 2 5 baths 2 car att gar 1st flr laundry brick paver patio backs to small park (23D1675)

734-455-7000



LIVONIA \$284,900
GREAT COLONIAL IN COVENTRY GARDENS WEST! 4 BR 3 full baths beautiful updt kit w/oak cabinets overlooking FR w/full brck FP & doorwall to patio Nicely decorated t/o new windows roof & flooring (67ASH2)

248-348-6430



LIVONIA \$239,900
COVENTRY GARDENS! Private court setting on a huge lot Park in site distance Large FR w/fieldstone hearth Awesome fin bsmt w/full bath Great kit w/oak cabs and much more! (033469)

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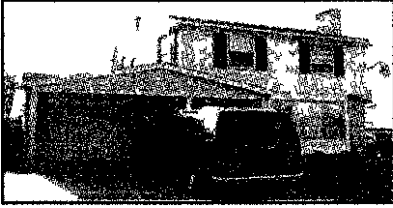
CANTON \$229,900
YOUR SEARCH IS OVER! This custom colonial offers hardwood flrs throughout 1st flr laundry light bright kit updates throughout & more! Fin bsmt warranty & appliances! (D44300)

734-591-9200



CANTON \$224,900
OUTSTANDING LOCATION! Great neighborhood & curb appeal! 4 BR 2 5 baths 1 814 SF & updated oak kitchen Newer furnace roof a/c & hwd floor in foyer (26CAR2)

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WESTLAND \$204,900
HARD TO FIND 4 BR 2 5 BA home in Westland w/Livonia schools! Appreciate the open well lit kit & dining area LR w/natural FP & bay wndw spacious fenced yd fin bsmt (H7836)

734-591-9200



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! (035775)

734-591-9200



WESTLAND \$189,900
GRACIOUSLY COMFORTABLE COLONIAL is this Westland 3 BR 1 1/2 bath with full BSMT & att d 2 1/2 car gar Deck air & built 1996 (S471)

734-326-2000



LIVONIA \$176,900
CHARACTER & STYLE! Home offers kit w/honey hickory cbs vaulted ceilings thru out sunken FR dominated by handsome FP fin bsmt and loads of updates You'll call it home! (09930)

734-591-9200



GARDEN CITY \$174,900
WHEN ONLY THE BEST WILL DO! This lovely traditional ranch sits on a large Country lot featuring 3 bedrooms 2 full baths dining room library breakfast nook and full basement (V153)

734-326-2000



GARDEN CITY \$169,900
COMPLETELY REMODELED & UPDATED New shingles vinyl siding & windows Updated electrical panel & new forced air furnace 2 brand new baths New kitchen w/ceramic floor (B286)

734-326-2000



WESTLAND \$163,500
LIVONIA SCHOOLS! Updated 3 BR brick ranch fin bsmt w/wet bar 2 5 car garage & 1 5 baths Move right in! (F7661)

734-591-9200



REDFORD \$159,900
WELCOME TO THIS GREAT LOCATION! Views of a treed valley This ranch has 3 br 2 5 ba bsmt 2 car att'd gar nd 1418 sq ft Also includes updates wndws rf siding kit & more! (L16742)

734-591-9200



WESTLAND \$155,000
WANTED BUYER WHO APPRECIATES VALUE for this 3 or 4 bedroom Colonial on large lot with family room fireplace 2 full baths newer roof and furnace and more (P359)

734-326-2000



WESTLAND \$154,900
GOODBYE TENSION! Come home with nothing to do but relax! You can in this dramatic 2 br 1 5 ba condo Built with quality and cared for with pride 1335 sq ft of gracious living! (P35577)

734-591-9200



REDFORD \$153,900
3 BR, BRICK BUNGALOW, PRICED TO SELL! Come ready to roll up your sleeves & discover the charm of this solid brick home New roof & gutters in 2000 Lg fenced yard w/deck (94BEE2)

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WESTLAND \$149,900
BEAUTIFUL ALL BRICK RANCH w/3 bed 2 bath Full finished basement w/workout office 2 car gar Lovely landscaped covered patio & gardener's shed Updated kitchen w/custom cabinets (B343)

734-326-2000



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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LIVONIA \$142,900
PAINT BRUSH SPECIAL! Price under market this 1700 sq ft ranch on a huge lot has an updated kitchen huge family rm 4 BR Do some cosmetics and watch your equity grow! (P19614)

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GARDEN CITY \$139,900
GET READY TO MOVE! Into this 3 bedroom 2 bath brck ranch Part finished basement 2 car garage Home also offers a 16x20 and a 12x12 deck and a 15x30 above ground pool (L284)

734-326-2000



DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$139,900
HOME SHOWS PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP! Immaculate 3 BR 2 bth brck Ranch Full bsmt 2 car garage upds incl roof CA hwh plumb sprinklers security sys E of Telegraph S off Joy (51VIR2)

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WAYNE \$137,900
27 X 14 FAMILY ROOM! Almost totally updated this home has lots to offer 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths new carpet flooring and windows refurbished hardwood floors FL basement & more! (C345)

734-326-2000



GARDEN CITY \$134,900
GORGEOUS GARDEN CITY BUNGALOW 3 bed 2 bath Fabulous professionally finished basement new windows new furn/AC new roof and super sharp refinished hardwood floors (E294)

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REDFORD \$131,500
LOOK NO FURTHER! Updated! Wallside windows furnace & c/a 01 Roof 99 glass block windows 02 hrdwd flrs 3 bdrm ranch lg lr dr full bsmt & 2 car gar (23R10000)

734-455-7000



CANTON \$128,800
MUCH DESIRED! Ground floor end unit Open floor plan featuring 2 bdrms 2 full ceramic baths Kitchen appliances are staying Excellent condition! (23L42578)

734-455-7000



WAYNE \$124,900
OLD WORLD CHARM ON A DEAD END STREET Tons of updates Newer roof PVC privacy fence shed furnace water heater A/C and service panel Clean and ready to move in (B348)

734-326-2000



LIVONIA \$124,900
NO TIME TO WAIT! This cute 1276 sq ft 3 BR ranch is located on a lg lot Offering updates including a new furnace hwh vinyl wndws bath & more! (L20435)

734-591-9200



REDFORD \$122,900
SPOTLESS RANCH! Cozy 3 BR home w/ lots of updates Fresh paint updated bath newer roof furnace hwd floors & security system Beautiful yard! (81BEE2)

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REDFORD \$114,900
ACT QUICKLY ON THIS CUTE RANCH! Nice neighborhood & quiet street close to elementary school Clean well maintained has newer neutral carpet paint & linoleum c/a basement w/glass block (K20114)

734-591-9200



FARMINGTON HILLS \$111,900
A RARE FIND! 2 br 2 ba one story ranch condo Freshly painted all appliances stay a private entrance & end unit quick possession (M24060)

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BRIGHTON ENJOY PRIVACY YET SPACIOUS WOODED country lot! Room to add on 4 BR 2 5 baths updated kitchen/bath new furnace & AC in 99 Easy x way access Great package! V(70SPE2) **\$229,000** 248-348-6430

NOVI FABULOUS UPDATED FARMHOUSE IN NOVI! Novi schools 3 BR 1st fl mstr 1 5 bths hwd flrs Country kit gas FP in LR 1st fl laun bsmt 2 car gar lg porches on front & side of home Lg lot! (15OLD2) **\$184,500** 248-348-6430

REDFORD GREAT VALUE ON THIS full brick bungalow in South Redford! Full bsmt some newer wndws 2 5 car garage c/a upstairs BR w/adjacent 9x6 study area was finished 2 yrs ago Much more! (N11416) **\$129,900** 734-591-9200

REDFORD LOVELY 3 BR 1 5 BA REDFORD BUNGALOW Hrdwd floors new pergo floor in DR & kit neutral carpet fresh paint - new pic wind poss 4th BR in part fin bsmt - 2 car garage a must see! Warranty (F18507) **\$119,900** PC 070042 734-591-9200

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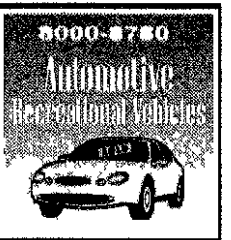
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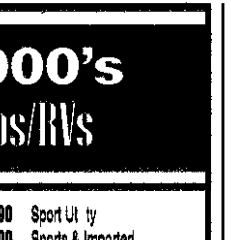
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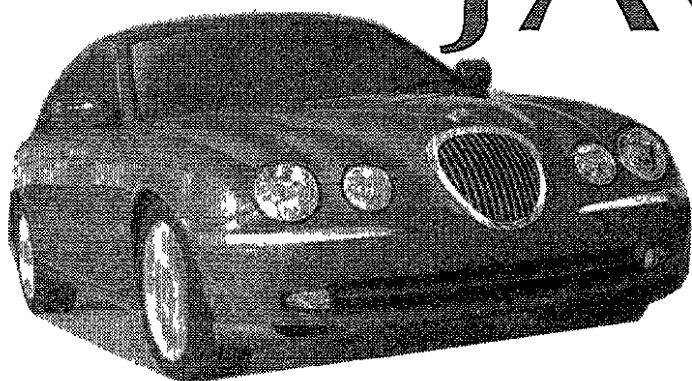
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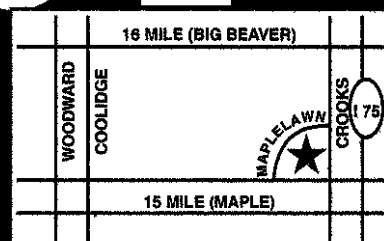
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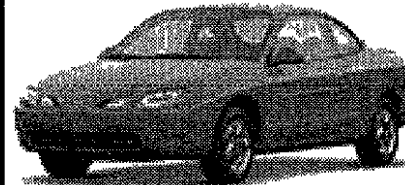
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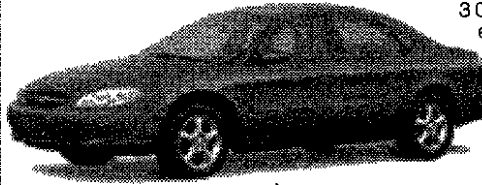


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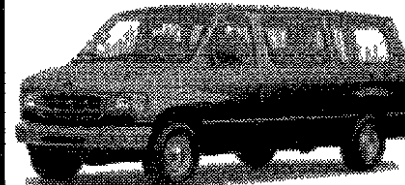


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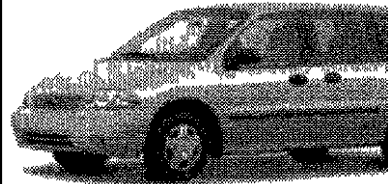


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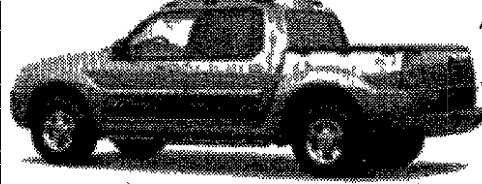


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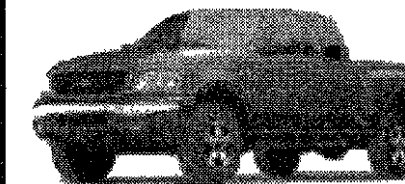


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