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Holiday hours

Are you a Plymouth Township resident worried about paying your taxes on New Year's Eve? You needn't

Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards will have his office open from 8 am 4pm as he does every year to accept tax payments from township residents. The rest of the township offices will observe holiday hours They will be closed Dec 24 25 and again Dec 31 (except for Edwards) and Jan 1

City of Plymouth offices will be closed beginning Dec 24 and will resume normal hours Jan 2 The city treasurer's office will be open Dec 30 Call (734) 453 1234 for more details on city hours

Cheer donations

Salvation Army Mai Steve Hull left Ed Moyer and Joe Krogman stopped by the Observer office in Plymouth Tuesday to load up the donat ed gifts and food items from



the Observer's Cheer Club Among the folks who donat ed were Horton Plumbing Sharpe Family Baxter and Coach Cummings Nicholas and Lindsey Case Emmett and BooBoo Pearson Tafelski fami ly Terry and Susan Groneau Gordon and Barbara Bardeleben Rosita Smith Mike and Nancy Riemenschneider Kurt Denzer family Chuck and Cindy Martin Emerson and Diane Coates Ellen Jones the Honiss families Zane Vaughn & Bryn Birchler George Michele Megan Patrick & Jackson Lytle Max and Ally Sexton Dominic Bonell Spencer Hicks Jake Burnstein Kevin Birou Grant Heidenreich Chris Ensor Lucas Carpenter Derek O Flynn Austin Sartorius Brian Albaugh Matt Walsh Evan Rinke Rachel Buzenburg Eileen Pawlik Melissa Karbon Kacy Robinson Ella Savalox Rachel Peterson Rachel O Neill Audrey Redding Karin Viola Rich Ochmanski Emma and Dylan Dwyer Bill and Mary Stout Cords Family Peggy & Mike Beecroft Bill & Lorraine McLin Chelsie Zylka of South Lyon Nancy & Mike Murphy of Northville Bea Gray Baranski family Alex Allison & Emily Arble Ann Confer and family Elise Jeff and Countney Simpson Samantha and David McGrath Tom Sovine Len and Kathryn Sweet Mrs Haar s first grade class at Tonda Elementary and Cathy & Brian Mowers



TOM HAWLEY I OBSERVER

Ten month old twins Rachel (left) and Hailey (right) Mullen of Plymouth weren't quite sure about the guy in the red suit but the people at PS Imaging and Events were able to snap a digital picture of the twins at Westland Shopping Center

Kids let Santa know wishes

The Plymouth Observer asked local youngsters to send us their letters to Santa this year, and offered to be the conduit between the kids and the Jolly Ol' Elf Heres what they wrote



Paige Grace

Dear Santa, My name is Paige and Im 5 years old I would like a new broom & dustpan because mines too short, so I can sweep better Idlike some baby dolls for my baby sister so she stops bugging me for my dolls I

need some new toys too cause some of my old ones don't work anymore Please wait til sissy & I are sleeping to come over And don't forget that we moved around the block to a different house since last Christmas Hope you're warm at the North Pole

> Paige Renee Grace Plymouth

Dear Santa, For Christmas I would like a lot of toys I would like a Spiderman toy, hat, and whole Spiderman world playset I want a Batman video and a surprise



Bailey Riegal

present Also, I want a picture with Spiderwoman on it I'd lıke a Green Goblın bobble head, Pac-Man II, and Harry Potter Chamber of Secrets X-Box game and that's all I want I love you Santa because you re so nice

> From, Bailey Riegal, 5 yrs. Plymouth

PLEASE SEE SANTA, A7

Bathey hearing could force eviction

STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's 35th District Court will be the scene for an eviction hearing which could finally put an end to a 20year battle with a company that owes the city of Plymouth more than \$3 million in back taxes, interest and penal-

The final chapter in a lawsuit by the city against A&E Holdings could be written in a hearing scheduled for Jan

Wendell Flynn, the owner of A&E Holdings, had until Nov 27 to decide if he would appeal an October ruling by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Edward Thomas, who ruled the city owns the property

In December 1999, former city manager Dave Rich paid \$300 to the state to secure the deed Since then, the two sides have been in court as the city has tried to keep the deed from reverting back to Flynn, while at the same time collect the back taxes

"We have no information that they've appealed," said attorney Keith Schofner of Plunkett & Cooney, who is representing the city When asked if the deed to the property now belongs to the city, Schofner said, "It should be"

Schofner said he's hopeful the district court hearing will produce a "write." of restitution, which would allow us to move ahead with the eviction process

City officials have said all along they would rather have the \$3 million However, in lieu of the money the city would seize the property and then most likely, sell it to a developer

PLEASE SEE BATHEY, A4

Gerou sworn in as new judge

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Calling the moment a "dream come true," Mike Gerou was sworn in as the newly elected third judge for Plymouth's 35th District Court by Chief Judge John MacDonald

Gerou, 47, defeated Karen Woodside of Northville Township in the Nov 5 general election The Plymouth Township resident has closed his private law practice on Main Street in Plymouth, and said he's ready for a new chapter in his life

"I'm very excited about it, and I'm working very hard to get up to speed," said Gerou, standing in his new chambers at 35th District Court "It's certainly a different role As an attorney you're an advocate, but that's not the case as a judge"

Gerou said he hasn't "taken a day off since the election," and has job shadowed with 35th District Court judges MacDonald and Ron Lowe, as well as judges in other jurisdictions, to study styles and procedures

PLEASE SEE JUDGE, A4



City cop cars to get cameras

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The next time you're driving through town and are stopped by a Plymouth police cruiser, you may want to smile Early next year, Plymouth patrol cars will

be equipped with in-car video cameras to record traffic stops and arrests "In today's litigious society, we need to be able to protect the city from hability from unfounded claims against the police department, said City Manager Paul Sincock. "The

cameras act as an impartial witness, which

can help in criminal cases and in protecting

The city commission approved spending

\$20,000 to equip five patrol vehicles with the cameras from Metro Vision in Walled Lake The department probably will take delivery next month

our officers from unfounded claims"

It's pretty much standard technology in the industry," said Police Chief Wayne Carroll, who noted the installation of cameras in the cars has been a top priority "There's a camera and color monitor that is mounted above the rearview mirror The officers can see what's going on by watching the monitor, and the

PLEASE SEE CAMERAS, A4

Donations help pay for K-9's bulletproof vest

Hogan, the Plymouth Township Police Department's K-9, and is handler. Officer Steve

Cheston, right, poses with Hogan's new bulletproof vest. At left is Romeo Hesana, coowner of the Pilgrim Party Shoppe, one of three businesspeople whose donations helped

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

Thanks to the generosity of some local business people, Plymouth Township's only K-9 police officer now has the same protection his handler enjoys

Officer Steve Cheston's charge,

Hogan, now sports a new bulletproof vest, a piece of equipment the township's police department couldn't afford and one that will help keep the dog safe when he's going about

The \$1,600 tab for the vest was

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LOOKING AHEAD

In Thursday's At Home section Values like well being and com fort are likely to influence home owners decisions in renovations





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PARENT MEETING

Meetings of the Special **Education Parent Advisory** Committee are open to all residents of the Plymouth-Canton Community, as well as school staff and administra-

SEPAC meets every second Monday of the month from 7-9 pm at Discovery Middle School in Canton The topic for the Jan 13 meeting will be "F.A T (Frustration, Anxiety, Tension)," presented by Lori Parks, Plymouth-Canton Teacher Consultant for Inclusion

For additional information, please contact Rich Ham-Kucharski (734) 844-1714

KIWANIS FOR KIDS

On Dec 12, 25 eighth graders from the Youth Leadership Plymouth program descended on the Canton Target store to Christmas shop for others

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth provided \$670 for the eighth graders to spend purchasing toys for

needy kids Kiwanis Club members reached into their pockets when the envelope was passed at a recent meeting to contribute the funds

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Seven shopping carts full of toys and sports equipment were then delivered to the Plymouth Salvation Army to be distributed to identified families experiencing rough times Kiwanis member Michael Merlo also arranged for a like amount of toys to be sent to the Salvation Army from Poof Products, Inc, of Plymouth

The Kiwanis Youth Services committee decided three years ago that kids have the best sense of what other kids would appreciate getting for Christmas The Youth Leadership program was contacted and eighth graders from across the school district, paired with Kiwanis volunteers, now spend the Kıwanıs donations wisely on appreciated Christmas items

Toy shopping is just one of several community service projects in which the 38 students in this year's Youth Leadership program are par-

AROUND TOWN

ticipating this holiday season

YOUTH ARTIST COMPETITION

Application deadline for this year's Plymouth Symphony Treasures Beyond Measure Youth Artist Competition" is Friday, Jan 24 The competition itself is scheduled for Sunday, Feb 9 at Evola Music ın Canton

Through money from the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs and other sponsors, the symphony recognizes young orchestral talent from the Plymouth-Canton and surrounding communities through this competition and has offered music scholarships to area youth since 1978

The competition is composed of three divisions Senior Instrumental (grades 10-12), Senior Piano (grades 10-12) and Junior Division (combined instrumental and piano, grades 7-9) Applicants must be piano, band or orchestra students in the school districts of Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth-Canton, Van Buren or Wayne-Westland or be students at Evola Music

First-prize winner in each senior division receives \$500, and the junior division winner gets \$250 If applicable, honorable mentions will also be acknowledged

Applications are available through the symphony, and

are due by Jan 24 Past partic- WORLD SABBATH mants are encouraged to apply, however, musicians are eligible to win only one first prize in each division. For an application or further information, contact Ellen Elliott via e-mail at plymouthsymphony@aol com or by phone, (734) 451-2112

PCAC TICKETS

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is offering special Christmas prices on its annual dinner-dance-auction, set for Friday, March 14 at St John's Golf and Conference Center

PCAC members can save \$10 per person (\$15 per person for a table of 10) by purchasing tickets before Jan 1 Non-members save \$10 per person for a table of 10 After Jan 1, all tickets are \$75 each Another advantage to buying early, according to PCAC officials, is the ability - new this year - to select table location

"Passions of the Past A 70's Bash" is the theme of the 2003 benefit which supports PCAC educational and community arts programming The group promises a psychedelic evening of fun with dancing to classics by the Rolling Stones, Elton John, Jimmy Buffet, Pink Floyd and others

To purchase tickets, donate an auction item or help the planning committee, call the PCAC, (734) 416-4278

The fourth-annual World Sabbath of Religious Reconciliation, the interfaith day of making peace among the world's religions, takes place at 7 p m Saturday, Jan 25, at Christ Church Cranbrook on Lone Pine Road (between Telegraph and Woodward) in Bloomfield Hılls

The World Sabbath was established four years ago "in response to religious persecution and war in distant parts of the world

"Today, we celebrate the World Sabbath to build religious tolerance, interfaith understanding and peace within our own land and across the globe," said Rev Rod Reinhart, an event organ-

During the World Sabbath, people of all faiths gather at Christ Church Cranbrook to pray for justice and peace Leaders of the Christian, Jewish and Muslim faiths will tell of God's healing power to give us the strength and courage we need to to change the world," Reinhart said

Naja Bazzi, a leading young Muslim woman from Michigan featured on a recent PBS special on contemporary Islam, will be one of the featured speakers at the World Sabbath

For more information, visit

the Web site at www.worldsabbath com or call Reinhart, (734) 459-7319 or Rev Ed Mullins, (248) 644-5210

TOWNSHIP OPENINGS

Officials in Plymouth Township are looking for people to serve on a number of boards and commissions

Openings occur periodically on such boards, and are filled through appointment by the supervisor, with the approval of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees Township officials are currently trying to develop a pool of interested candidates for such future openings

Active boards and commissions include the planning commission, Downtown Development Authority, compensation commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Tax Board of Review, Civil Service Commission and the Board of Canvassers

Term lengths and time commitments vary

More information can be found on the township's Web

www.plymouthtwp.org/government/boardsandcommissions htm Interested persons, should submit a letter of interest/application to Supervisor Steve Mann, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170

For more information, call

(734) 354-3201

Detroit chamber chief touts area partnership

BY TONY BRUSCATO

When Dick Blouse told folks he was starting a new job in Detroit, his friends and colleagues congratulated him on a great opportunity, but said it was too bad the job was in

Blouse, president and CEO of the Detroit Regional Chamber of Commerce, told the Colonial Kiwanis Club of Plymouth Thursday that since then he sworked hard to change Detroits image

I know you re in Plymouth, but I can tell you that if I have a business prospect and I bring him to Plymouth they re going

to call it Detroit And, if they don't want to come to Detroit, they don't want to come to Plymouth, either," he said

Blouse told Kıwanıs members the Detroit Regional Economic Partnership has "worked tirelessly to promote the region as a great place to do business, and is responsible for bringing in \$300 million in new investment that resulted in the creation of 1,400 new

Most, said Blouse, ended up an 'this area and up into Oakland County

The chamber is completely dependent on the regions image and the ability of all of us collectively to foster and

maintain a supportive business climate," he said

Blouse said improving area transportation, by fixing crumbling roads, developing a public transportation authority and building another border crossing, are keys to the region's suc-

Quality of life issues, including education, the arts and recreation, are also at the top of the list Blouse said western Wayne

County draws a lot of interest from businesses We see a lot of interest in

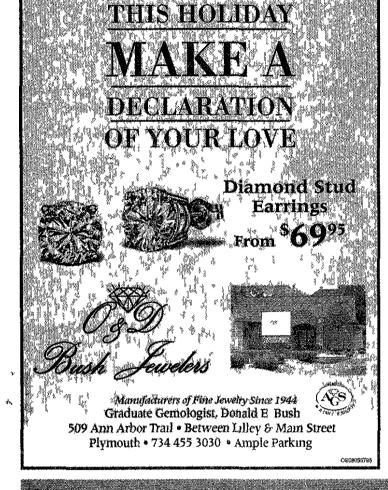
the Plymouth, Canton, Northville Novi and Livonia regions" said Blouse A lot of people settle here because of

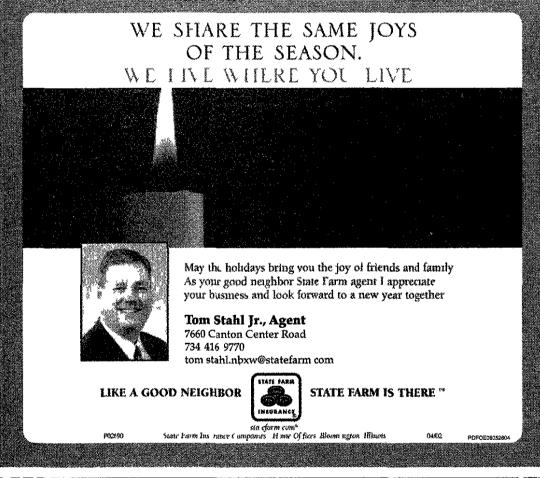
the downtowns in Plymouth and Northville They are neat downtowns that you can live near and walk to It's a qualityof-life issue"

Plymouth businessman Jim Jabara agrees with the assessment by Blouse the region has to work together

"I don't think there's any question that we have to have mutual cooperation in the area," said Jabara "It's the same relationship between us and the City of Detroit, as it is between Plymouth and Plymouth Township We need to work together

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Local charities optimistic about Christmas giving

CORRESPONDENT

As the days wind down to Christmas, metro Detroit-area charities are making a final push to make the holiday season a little brighter for children and their families

For some charitable organizations, it has been a struggle to keep up with the pace set in 2001, when the tragedy of 9/11 resulted in a flood of monetary donations to the victims of the terrorist attacks, and brought a heightened awareness of the need for charitable donations

While some charitable organızatıons report a slower pace of donations, the number of families and children in need have ıncreased

That fact has put a strain on budgets and increased the need for people to reach further into their pockets in 2002

"I need people to dig deep this year," said Capt Charles Yockey of the Wayne/Westland branch of the Salvation Army "We are about halfway to where we need to be (as of Dec. 16) We are a little over \$65,000 in cash donations and we need \$125,000 by Christmas to make our operating budget for the next twelve months The kettles seem to be doing well but we got a late start because Thanksgrving was late and we

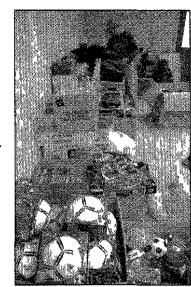
lost five days there "The donations of toys and canned goods have been better than ever I thank God for the people who have adopted these families and have brought in food"

Yockey said that there are about 500 families that benefit from the food and toy donations in the Wayne-Westland area, up

from 265 families last year Yockey said that he doesn't like to compare with past donations because he "loses focus I prefer to look forward"

OUTLOOK OPTIMISTIC

Toys for Tots is annually sponsored by local branches of the United States Marine Corps Tracey Toppa works at the



Brian Bourdage sorts through an area of toys for older kids

Redford/Livonia branch She has an optimistic assessment of the 2002 donation drive

"I haven't noticed any decline in the amount of people who are donating," she added "We are still getting a lot of money and toys from companies I've looked at our roomful of toys and it doesn't look like the amounts are dropping"

Toppa said that she has more families on the list for donations this year but the number of volunteers has increased each year since she began working at the branch in 1995 "I think it is just because we are more visible this year I had 125 drop boxes donated to me this year, and I ran out of boxes I have more drop-off spots than I have boxes

Toppa said that 33 different Girl Scout troops volunteered to decorate the drop-off boxes and distribute them this year

The Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross is sponsoring its 14th annual Blanket Days program, which runs until the end of December

"We collect blankets for homeless shelters and disaster victims," said Brian Peckinpaugh, director of Blanket Days 'In November we distributed 9,300 blankets to shelters and we have 600 additional blankets reserved for dis-



PHOTOS BY JIM JAGDFELD | OBSERVER

Barb Bosley, Dawn Kilyanek and Betty Bjarnesen help sort toys for the Livonia Goodfellows' holiday collection at a Livonia DPW site



Outside the toy sorting area are boxes of canned goods, waiting for distribution Wednesday Many goods were stored during the year at Pastor & Sons Construction near the DPW yard, while Residential Grocery Delivery Service Inc. from the Value Center store on Inkster handled delivery Wednesday

aster victims

It looks like we are doing much better than last year We are almost on a par with our record year in 2000 We have about 175 locations that are accepting blankets in the Detroit area.

Peckinpaugh added that cash donations are accepted any time at one of the five Detroit-area Service Centers Being able to

fund the local disaster relief program is a big part of the Red Cross mission, since there are an average of four disasters each day in the tri-county area

Jan Shimshock is the Chief Development Officer of the Southeastern Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross Shimshock said that the Chapter is running about 25 percent (\$60,000) behind in

donations through its direct mail promotion, compared with pre-2001 donations

"We are predicting that we will come in 25-30 percent below (pre 9/11) donations That is anywhere between \$300,000 to \$400,000"

Shimshock added that there are other ongoing programs to help with donation drives, such as the "Rhapsody in Red" annual black tie fund-raiser as well as grants from local businesses

GOODFELLOWS DOING WELL

The Livoma Goodfellows have a motto 'No Child Without a Christmas 'Dan Rapp, president of the organization said that the drive to provide food and toys for local famılıes has been going very well this holiday season

"Last year we serviced 149 families with 386 children," he said

"This year the figure will be over 400 children from 152-154 families'

He said that this year, besides toys for the children, each of the families will receive four cases of canned food, which amounts

Charity check list

Salvation Army (www salationarmyusa org) Wayne/Westland 2300 Venoy Westland, MI 48186-1100 Phone (734) 722-3660 Fax (734) 722-5115

Dearborn Heights 26700 W Warren Ave Dearborn Heights, MI 8127-1910 Phone (313) 563-4457 Fax (313) 563-1951

Toys for Tots (www toysfortots org) (313) 363-9478

American Red Cross (www.redcross.org) (313) 494-2744 Livonia Drop-off 36650 Five Mile (West of Levan)

Livonia Goodfellows (www livoniagoodfellows org) PO Box 51982 Livonia, MI 48151 (734) 480-3990

to an average of 275 cans Children are also given vouchers for up to \$150 which can be redeemed for clothing purchases at area K-Mart or Meyer stores

Families are given a complete food basket for a Christmas meal, too

"It's been a pretty good year for receiving toys and other donations," he added "Because of the 9/11 tragedy last year, we haven't seen as many cash donations this year compared to then But the year is not over

There are 35-40 drop-off locations in the Livonia area We are looking for brand new, unwrapped toys,' Rapp said

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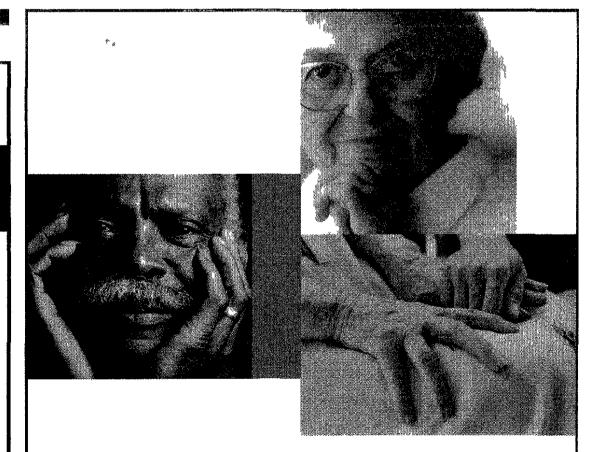
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JUDGE

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"It's a big adjustment from practicing law to this side of the bench,' said MacDonald "I think Mike is well prepared for

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The first full week of January, Gerou will be in Lansing at "judges school' to learn more about his role And, I have a stack of reading like this,' he said, holding his hands nearly two feet apart 'I'm pecking away at it'

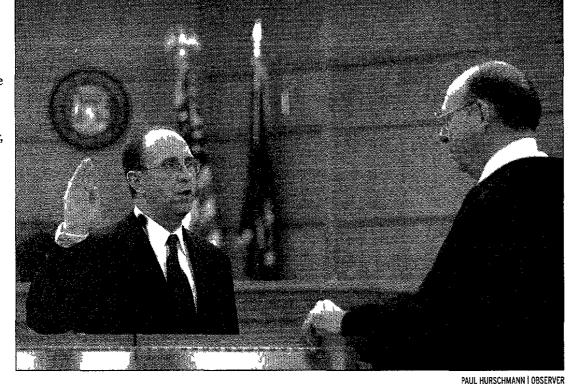
As for developing his own style, Gerou said respect is at the top of the list

"I think you have to treat everyone who comes into your court with respect," he said "We apply the laws impartially, we're not here to determine who are good people and who are bad people And, if you have to hold someone accountable for bad choices, so be it

Gerou will need to learn quickly The second full week of January he'll begin receiving a full docket

"We really worked hard not to find the worst 10 cases on each of our dockets to give to Mike,' Lowe said with a chuckle "It will be a few months before everyone will be sharing the work on an equal load

For several years, MacDonald and Lowe had been attempting to secure a third judge for one



PAUL HURSCHMANN | OBSERVER

The 35th District Court's newest judge, Mike Gerou, left, takes the oath of office from Chief Judge John MacDonald Friday at the courthouse

of the fastest growing courts in the state The state legislature approved the new judgeship earlier this year, and 10 attorneys challenged for the position in the August primary

'The greatest advantage of having a third judge is the luxury of time on our regular dockets that we've not had the entire time I ve been on the bench," said Lowe 'I d like to say that

we might become a kinder and gentler court Sometimes the volume of cases meant that we had to move things faster than the people who were parties to them appreciated"

Currently, MacDonald and Lowe hold jury trials an average of twice a month With the addition of Gerou, that could translate to one every three weeks, according to Lowe

front of the bench "I've already been forewarned they're going to test me," said

Gerou said it will be much

different holding court for col-

leagues he once dueled with in

Gerou with a smile "I'm certainly going to make mistakes, but they will be honest mis-

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FROM PAGE AT

camera can zoom in on a license plate or other object if they're on surveillance

"The system comes with a belt microphone, which can also be worn on the pocket Officers can activate the system from outside the vehicle, without having to go back to the car"

As Sincock indicated, the cameras will help prove or dispel allegations of wrongdoing

"If there are allegations of misconduct or unnecessary force, hopefully we'll be able to refute it Or, if it actually happened, it will give us evidence to that effect," said Carroll "Without the technology, there probably would always be some doubt in an allegation"

Plymouth Township patrol cars already have in-car video

cameras, and Chief Tom Tiderington said it's a great tool for his department

"We don't get a lot of complaints, but we follow up each case in which an officer is accused of doing something wrong" Tiderington noted that most of the time his officers are vindicated after the tape is reviewed "Generally, yes Once they (the accuser) find out there's a videotape, their story changes somewhat"

The tapes are also helpful as evidence in other types of cases, Tiderington said

"If a person is driving erratically, such as in a drunk driving case, the tape could become part of the evidence On several occasions where there has been a pursuit and capture, we've been able to show on tape how the suspect evaded arrest"

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"We've already had some calls about the property," admitted City Manager Paul Sincock, who noted he remains optimistic the 20-year court battle might soon be coming to an end Mark Christiansen, the city's finance director, said A&E Holdings failed to pay property taxes in all

but two years between 1979 and 2000 The total tax bill is approximately \$1 2 million, however, interest and penalties push the remuneration past \$3 million

The city of Plymouth is expecting to keep almost \$850,000 Plymouth-Canton Schools, Wayne County and other taxing authorities would divide the remainder tbruscato@oe homecomm net (734) 459-2700

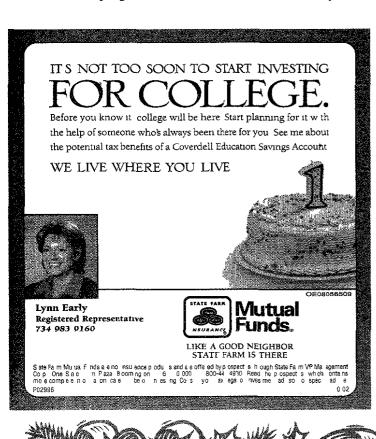
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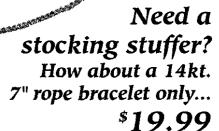
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William J. Morway

Services for William Morway, 69, of Beverly Hills, Fla (formerly of Plymouth) were held Mr Morway was born in St Michael, Pa and died Dec 18 in Beverly Hills, Fla

Mr Morway retired from AT&T in Plymouth after 30 years as a methods analyst After returing from AT&T he was the security administrator at Black Diamond for 12 years He was a member of St Scholastica Roman Catholic Church in Lecanto, Fla He was a veteran of the Korean conflict, serving in the US Navy He was honored with the National Defense Service Medal, the China Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal and three Korean Service Medals

Mr Morway was preceded in death by son, Brian Morway in 1998, and brothers James Morway in 1994 and John Morway in 1999

Survivors include wife of 22 years, Judith E Morway of Beverly Hills, Fla, son, William Mark Morway of Lake Villa, Ill, daughter, Mary Alison Hayden of Romulus, brothers, Joseph Morway of Windber, Pa., Peter Paul Morway of Solon, Ohio, sister, Lillian Shaffer of Craig, Colo, six granddaughters, one grandson, and several nephews and nieces Arrangements made by Fero Funeral Home

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LIBRARY PICKS

Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their list of "Best Sellers' based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons The books are available by placing a request with the library, 453-0750

FICTION

- 1 "Prey," Michael Crichton
- 2 "Four Blind Mice," James Patterson
- 3 "The Lovely Bones,' Alice Sebold
- 4 "The Reversible Errors, Scott Turow
- 5 "Chesapeake Blue, Nora Roberts

NONFICTION

- 1 Bush at War Bob Woodward
- 2 "Portrait of a Killer," Patricia Cornwell
- 3 "Leadership," Rudolph Giuhani
- 4 "Journals," Kurt Cobain 5 "A Long Way From Home,

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79, of Howell (formerly of Plymouth) were held Dec 20 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev James Skimins officiating

Mrs Mosley was born Jan 10, 1923 in Grand Rapids and died Dec 17 She was born and raised in Grand Rapids, moving to Plymouth in 1949 She lived in Howell for 15 years She worked for Whitman & Barnes in Plymouth and also Lofy's Arbor Lil Restaurant in Plymouth From her love of cooking, she owned several restaurants including Caravel in Howell and Caravel On The Lake in Howell She also owned a bar and restaurant on Bois Blanc Island, across from Cheboygan

Mrs Mosley was preceded in death by her daughter, Judy Tyrrell Survivors include husband, Robert Mosley of Honor, Mich, son, Michael (Sharon) Kelley of Plymouth, daughters, Sherry (Jim) Reilly of Clarkston and "Sue Kelly (Dennis) O Malley of Birmingham, nine grandchildren, four greatgrandchildren, and brothers, Edward and Larry Cain

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home

Madolyn D. Hartford

Services for Madolyn
Hartford, 84, of Plymouth were
held Dec 21 at the SchraderHowell Funeral Home with the
Rev James Skimins officiating
Burial was at Riverside

Cemetery in Plymouth
Mrs Hartford was born Sept
26, 1918 in Mt Etna, Ind , and
died Dec 17 in Garden City She

was a retired bookkeeper for

Cloverdale Dairy in Plymouth S
he came to the Plymouth community in 1940 from Indiana
She attended the First
Presbyterian Church of
Plymouth She was a member of
the VFW Auxiliary in Plymouth
and the Plymouth Elks Lodge
No 1780 She loved to work in
her yard, jazz music and travel
She loved to listen to books on
tape She was known for her
excellent martinis Mrs
Hartford was preceded in death
by her husband, Gordon

Survivors include sons, Dennis (Jackie) Hartford of Dearborn, and Daniel (Lori Miller) Hartford of Alabama

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Library Service for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, the Angela Hospice, or Meals on Wheels

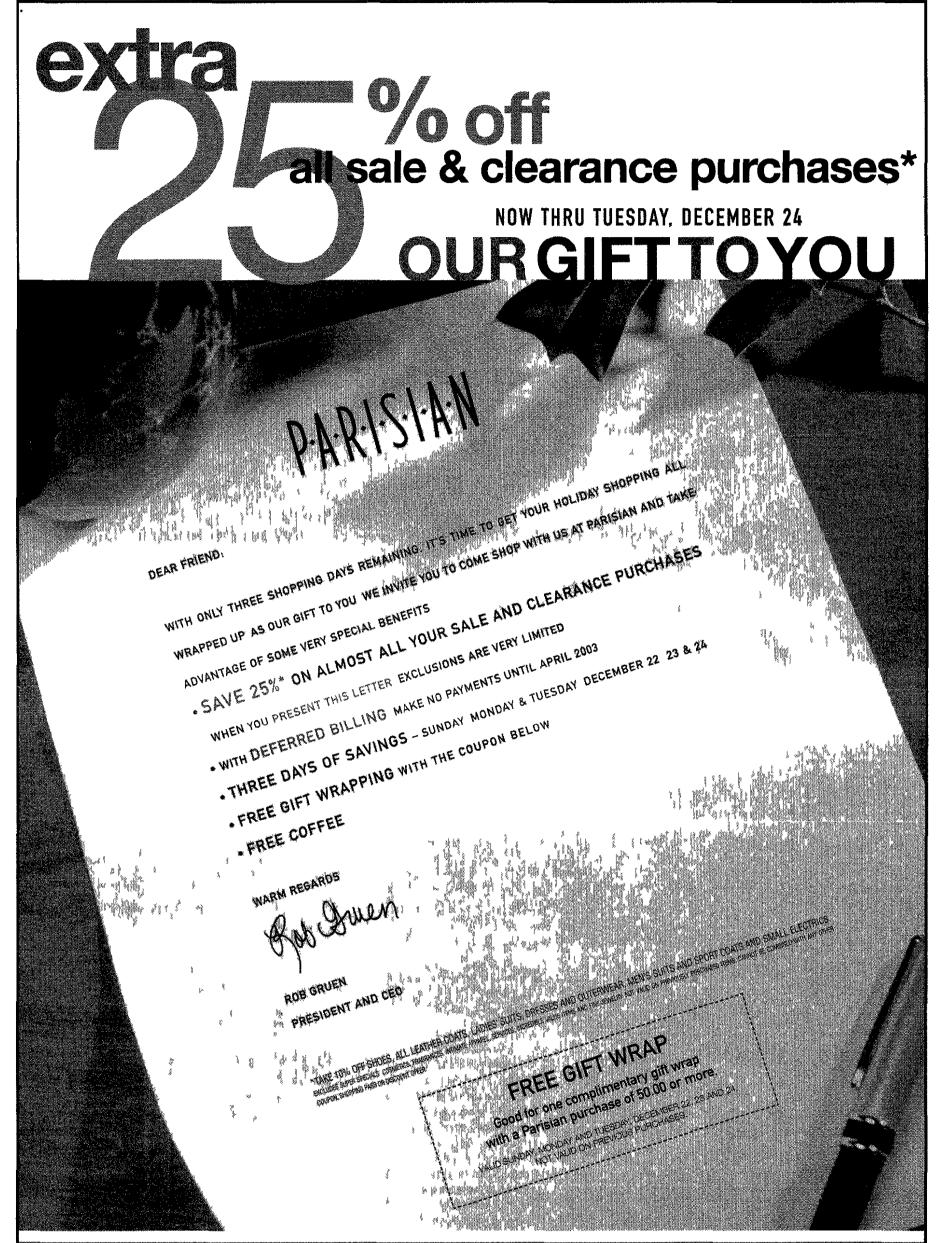
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James C. Anderson

Services for James Anderson, 52, of Plymouth were held Dec 22 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Drex Morton officiating

Mr Anderson was born Dec 16, 1950 in Yankton, S D and died Dec 18 in Plymouth He was a heavy equipment operator for R C Grading Company in

Gregory He came to the Plymouth community in 1970 from South Dakota He was an avid golfer and a loving husband, father, son, brother and son-in-law Survivors include wife, Jean Anderson of Plymouth, son, Nick Anderson of Plymouth, mother, Esther Anderson of Yankton, S D, sisters and brothers, Bill (Patsy) Anderson of Rapid City, S D, Deyanne (Rick) Harding of Louviers, Colo, Nina (Jim) Terhaar of Inver Grove, Minn, Alan (Pat) Anderson of Jericho. Vt, and Bob (Deb) Anderson of Tampa, Fla , uncle, Walter Anderson of Yankton, S D, and mother-in-law, Pearl Terrill of Livonia Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home



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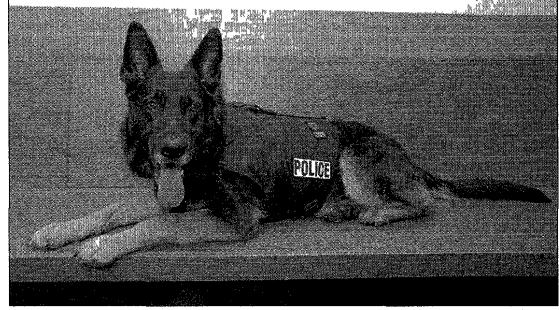
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picked up by donations from three prominent business people. Diane Daskalakis, owner of Solid Gold Jewelers, Bob Jeanotte Jr of Jeanotte Pontiac, and Romeo Hesano, one of the owners of the Pılgrım Party

Daskalakıs has 'always been supportive" of the K-9 program in the Plymouth Township Police Department, Cheston said This time, though, it was Hesano who saw a television program about dogs wearing vests and brought the idea of sponsoring one for Hogan to Cheston

"I thought it was cool, said Hesano, who has known Cheston for years "I've been in Plymouth for 17 years, and the police department has always been very good to us I felt it was something needed to bring the department up to par with other departments, and it was a way to give something back"

The three benefactors split the cost of the vest three ways,



PAUL HURSCHMANN | OBSERVER

Hogan poses in his bulletproof vest

Observer & Eccentric | Sunday December 22 2002

and Cheston ordered it from the Canadian company that makes the vest The company sent him a template to follow, and Cheston measured Hogan for the vest The company then custom-fit the vest to the dog

While Hogan had no comment, Cheston said the vest is working out fine with the dog "We train with it weekly It

covers all the bases, gives the dog the same protection as the vest I wear gives me"

The vest protects Hogan from various weapons, including pistols and shotguns, Cheston said It also includes a harness that allows for Hogan's tracking device, and a rappelling hook in case the dog has to be lowered into an environ-

ment

"Hogan is up and running with it." said Cheston, who has handled Hogan, the department's first and only K-9, for three years "Hopefully, it's a piece of equipment we never have to use

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LaJoy outspent in race

BY JACK GLADDEN STAFF WRITER

Though Phil LaJoy heads for Lansing as the representativeelect from the 21st District, postcampaign finance reports show his opponent, Democrat Mark Slavens, outspent him by almost

According to documents filed with the Secretary of State, Slavens raised \$78,155 during the campaign and spent \$69,646 Republican LaJoy raised \$52,353 and spent \$44,696

While both candidates received several contributions from political action committees, Slavens garnered considerably more dollars than did LaJoy

His two biggest contributors were the Michigan Education Association PAC and the UAW Michigan v-PAC, each of which contributed \$5,000, the maximum allowed by law in any given campaign He also received \$5,000 from the Byrum Leadership Fund

LaJoy's largest PAC contributions came from the Michigan Restaurant Association, \$2,000,

and the UPS PAC, \$1,000 Other major contributors to

Slavens' campaign were Lead Michigan PAC, \$1,500, Generations PAC, \$1,000, AFSCME Employees Organization, two \$1,000 contributions, Tenth Congressional District, \$1,000, HFCC Federation of Teachers PAC, \$500, and Michigan Professional Firefighters, \$750

LaJoy received contributions from Michigan Doctors PAC, \$500, Vet PAC, \$500, NFIB-Michigan Safe Trust, \$300, Builders PAC, \$250, Biasm PAC, \$250, Michigan Chiropractic PAC, \$250, SBC AmeritechMichigan PAC, \$250, AGC PAC, \$200, Cape Health Plan PAC, \$150, and Kroger PAC, \$100 He also received a \$296 in-kind contribution from Right to Life

Both candidates conducted extensive door-to-door campaigns and mailings

The biggest expenses listed by LaJoy were for stamps, mailings and brochures, while Slavens' biggest single expense was \$9.826 to the House Democratic Fund for co-automated phone

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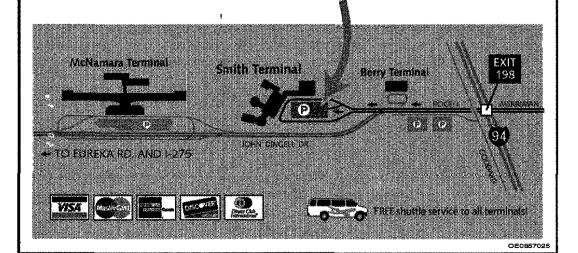
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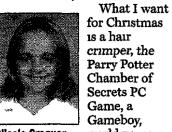
Jacob Riegal

From,

Jacob Riegal, 2 yrs.

Plymouth

Dear Santa,



Nicole Crequer

Gameboy, world peace, for everybody to be happy

Dear Santa,



Maxwell MacDonald

I think I've been a good boy this year I always try to hang my coat on the hook and not on the floor I pick up my toys but mostly when mom tells me to I've visited you at the mall and shown you

Nicole Creguer, 9 yrs.

Plymouth

put it in words for you too just ın case you forget I know you have so many lists to remem-I'd like a new cowboy and army gun Not a real one but one that makes noise Both of mine no longer work Dad

my picture list but I wanted to

taped them but they don't make noise anymore I'd also like a small calendar of Spiderman with Spiderman on every page, a microscope, the mighty medieval fortress and a Spiderman glove that shoots real webs and the Spiderman bank and clock Just in case you can't give me all the Spiderman things my mom and dad are having a Spiderman birthday party for me in March So maybe I ll get one of those Spiderman things then

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you We are

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I would like

Barbie, Rolling

bookbag, Ice

Maker, trucks,

Pogo Stick, and

Love

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Courtney

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Lify Jones

Plymouth

man and I love

I've already been to one Christmas party this year and I wanted to thank you for the great racetrack you brought me It was just what I wanted My brother Samuel and I are looking forward to seeing what else you put under our tree on Chyristmas morning

Santa, we love you and we like you Please tell all your elves that we like them too as well as Mrs Claus Have a safe flight on Christmas Eve We'll have cookies and milk waiting for you and carrots for your reindeer

> Maxwell MacDonald, age 4 yrs. Plymouth

> > Christmas I

want micro

Dear Santa Claus, For



pets monsters I also want Hamtaro play stuff My mom said to pick three things Lee Samuels And my last thing I want is

a game for Gameboy called Super Marco Advance 3

Lee Samueis Plymouth

Dear Santa,



Alia Jones

I'll bet you've been working hard, making toys for little boys and girls all over the world That is so nice I'm excited for Christmas to come This

year, I would like a Josefina doll I will leave you some very good cookies on the table, with some milk Thank you, Santa. Alia Jones

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Dear Santa, I hope you will bring me some Sleeping Beauty pajamas

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Dear Santa,



Courtney

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Dear Santa



with your career

Stephanie Petersen

Canton I would like a toy cat, kit, Molly, Barbie Rolling Bookbag and some toys for

Love, Stephanie Petersen, 6 yrs.

the poor



Dear Santa, Iv had ben very good this year I would like to have close, snowpants, the playstation game of life, a jump rope, mittens, a carkbord, a pant set, hair claps, tennishous, crayons, color pencils, game boy advance, pencils

> From. **Jaclyn Mancos** Canton

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Princess

Thanks

Katelyn

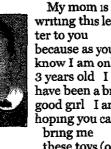
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Verla, age 5

Dear Santa,



Dear Santa,



Samantha Laurette

writing this letbecause as you know I am only 3 years old I have been a big good girl I am hoping you can these toys (or

I will cry)

Derek Kline

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Talking Grill

Dora & Boots

ise to be a good girl

Dear Santa,

"Blue" Star Baby

Throw Me a Bone

Thank you Santa and I prom-

Samantha Laurette, age 3 yrs.

I know you

can't get every-

thing I want

because you

have to go

Spyro

Dragonfly

Zoids

Gundam Wing

world

around the

Harry Potter games Gameboy Advance

> Derek Kline, age 8 yrs. Canton

Dear Santa Claus, I want you to have a nice Christmas I'll have one too

Santa Claus can you get me what I want for Christmas? Do you think one thing is enough or two is enough Santa Claus? I am almost 5 years old I



would like a pink Game Boy Advance and a Beauty and the **Beast Castle** Could you also bring something for my dog Copper? He likes chew toys Could you

put something in his stocking? Santa Claus I hope you eat my cookies and milk I hope you and Mrs Claus have a nice Christmas

> Karti Robbins, age 4 Canton

PS Could you please bring something for my brothers, Bryan and Zachary They have been good too Don't forget mommy and daddy's stockings

Dear Santa,



Courtney

I have been good this year! What is it like in the North Pole? My Christmas wish for you this year is to stay safe flying with your remdeer

Farmer

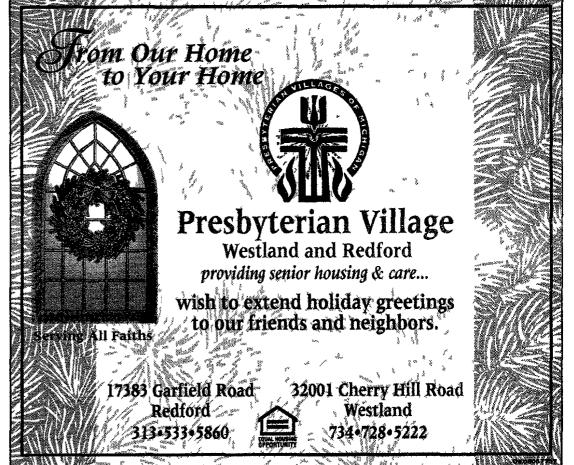
I really don't mind what I get for Christmas, you can decide! I love you and have a

Merry Christmas Courtney Taylor Farmer, age 8 Canton

Dear Santa, I have been good Has it been cold at the North Pole? Does your reindeer like carrots and cookies? Can I have the

movie Lilo and Stitch? Can I

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Christmas I would like Tech

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Christmas

Dinner-dance, auction returns to festival slate

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

The 2003 Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular gets a little taste of salsa when the board of directors hosts the second Ice Spectacular Dinner Dance Friday, Jan 17

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"Ice Odyssey 2003," the festival's annual dinner-dance and auction, takes place from 7-11 p m at Northville Hills Golf Course, with music by Latin Jazz artists Saoco

The dinner-dance makes its return after a one-year absence The board decided not to have the dance during the 2002 festival, in the wake of the Sept 11, 2001 terrorist attacks

"Because of 9/11 and how general fund-raising was going, we didn't want the extra burden of that," said Mike Watts of Watts-Up, Inc, the company organizing the festival "It didn't seem it was the right thing to do, even though it was months after'

This year, though, the danceauction is back, but with a twist Rather than being the usual sit-down meal, dinner will be served from various stations, between which diners must roam to get their meals

"It's not your typical meal setup," Watts said "We wanted to make sure people got the chance to mingle

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The Latin jazz group Soaco will provide the entertainment for the dinner-dance and auction during the upcoming Plymouth International ice Sculpture Spectacular

swing, R&B and rock-and-roll This year's music comes from the Latin jazz band "Saoco," whose repertoire consists of original compositions and the band's own arrangements of popular Salsa, Cuban and other Caribbean dance tunes

The band says its style "enhances a compelling (but not complicated) rhythm section with sophisticated vocal arrangements and acrobatic brass licks"

The 10-member band features Jason Loiselle, the son of board president Ron Loiselle, on the congas

The band was a 2002 nominee for 'Best World Music

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They've got a great reputation," said Ron Edwards, one of the chairs of the dinner-dance "I haven't heard them, but from what I've heard from other people, they're great"

Fighters Relief fund

The board of directors is hoping the dinner-dance can help the festival make some money After breaking even in 2001, officials are hoping the dance will net at least \$7,000, which would be about 5 percent of the festival's budget, according to Edwards

The menu will include four stations

■ Carving station —

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■ Chicken entrees station — Chicken picante, a California vegetables medley, garlic mashed potatoes and salmon and shrimp

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Black tie is optional for the dinner, for which tickets cost

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have the game Monopoly Junior? I have been helping my family and working hard at school Nicholas

Farmer, age 6

I hope you

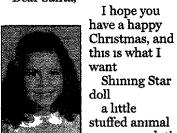
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Nicholas Farmer

Dear Santa,



unicorn and it's Carra Peerbolte horn is a flash-

light a panda a magnet polar bear a sleeping bag that is pink

and has pandas on it a Jessie the Cowgirl doll in a Santa suit

Aurora (Sleeping Beauty) clothes

a baby Jesus doll in a manger I am 5 years old in kindergarten I am a good girl I've been helping my mommy wrap presents I really like the toys you bring us, thanks

I really am excited to see you

May I please have any kind of

panda, big pencils, and Baby

Born clothes I would like to

have triplet dolls, Gak Splat,

and Dot candy I am 8 years

it is great that you give pres-

old and I try to be good I think

Carra Peerbolte, age 5 Canton

New Year

Mrs Claus too)

Alaina Peerbolte

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, I've been a very good girl this year I'm doing good in school and I am getting good grades. If you could this year I would really like a microscope and game for my gameboy advance Merry Christmas and happy New Year to you and your helpers at the north pole (and

> **Kirstie Liakos** Canton

PS how's Rudolph doing?



Minimum Maximum !



CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. 02-8

Dear Santa,

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78, THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ZONING ORDIANCE IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING NEW REGULATIONS REGARDING BUILDING HEIGHTS FOR THE ARC ANN ARBOR ROAD CORRIDOR ZONING DISTRICT

Section 1. The City of Plymouth ordains

Section 78 Zoning in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plymouth is hereby amended by adding the following described text revisions Section 2 Modify Building Heights for the ARC-Ann Arbor Road Corridor Zoning District.

ARTICLE XIV, SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS Section 78-331 Limit height, bulk, density, and area by zoning district.

Maximum Minimum Size Lot Minimum Yard Setback (Per Lot in Feet) floor area lot area per anit Per Dwelling Unit Height of (sq. ft.) all buildings Structures Sides Zoning District Width in Total Least Front Rear sq ft storie one R 1 One Family 950 35 12 35 Residential 7,200 60 25(b) 25(t)6(a)RT 1 Two Family 780 30 Residential 3 500 25(b) 25 10(a) 20 35 35 RM 1 Multi-Family 25(b) 25 10 20 Residential (d,e) (d e) (d e) (d,e) RM 2 Multi Family 20 35 (c,r)25 10 (d.e) Residential (d.e) (d,e,f)(d,e,f)O 1 Office 2 30 20(g) (h) (h) (j,m)O 2 Office 15 000 75 3 50(g) (h) (h) j,m) B 1 Local Business 25 (h) (h) 10(j m) 2 10(g) B 2 Central Business 40(aa) (h,p) (m,p)(g) (m,p) 2(z) 30(aa) (h) (h) 10(j,m) B 3 General Business (s)(h) _ B 3A General Business 25 15 (h) 10(j,m) 10 ARC Ann Arbor Road 10(u) 20(w)Corridor (bb) (v,w x) ARC Ann Arbor Road Corridor [78-703(a), (b)] 35 20(y) 50 [78 702(24)b] 25 10 20 10 I 1 Light Industry (g,k)(1,q)(l,q) (l,q) 20 40 20 50 I 2 Heavy Industry (g k) (1,q)(l,q)

Section 78-332 Notes to Schedule of Regulations.

- Per the overlay district map for the central business district, building heights are limited to 3 or 4 stories for specified areas of the
- (aa) Per the overlay district map for the central business district, building heights are limited to 40 or 50 feet for specified areas of the
- (bb) The Planning Commission shall have the authority to approve an increase in building height up to a maximum of thirty eight (38) feet, provided that the building does not exceed two (2) stories and comforms with one of the following criteria.
 - 1) The additional height is necessary to achieve two (2) stories due to the particular nature and functions of the approved use.
 - The additional height is necessary to accommodate architectural features that enhance the character of the building and the
- Section 4. Rights and Duties

Rights and Duties which have matured penalties which have incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance

Should any section clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not

affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or part thereof, other than the part declared invalid Section 6 Ordinances Repealed.

All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed

Section 7. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall become effective one day after publication December 2 2002

Enacted December 16 2002 December 23 2002

Publish December 22 2002

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date

> TERRY G BENNETT Clerk

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AROUND TOWN

Road Rally

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thunderbirdsoftball tripod com Toy and Hobby Expo

Being held at the Novi Expo Center located in Novi Dec 27 29 The Expo features operating train displays ven dors selling toys trains die case mod els comics dolls bears racing 7 sports collectibles Wrestling fans meet WWE wrestler Virgil Call (734) 455-2110 for more information

Tai Chi Classes

The Taoist Tai Chi Society is forming new beginner Tai Chi classes starting Monday Jan 6 at 7 pm in Livonia and 7 30 p m in Bloomfield Hills. Afternoon classes available in Livonia mornings in Farmington Observers welcome For more info call (248) 332 1281

All Night Skate

On Tuesday Dec 31 from 8 p m to 7 a m at Skatin Station II Price is \$30 which includes admission. Hungry Howies Pizza beverage and New Years hat horn and lei Lots of prizes includ ing six cash balloon drops. All ages are welcome

Ice Carving Class

The Plymouth Ice Festival is coming soon To provide ice time for those inspired the PCAC is hosting an ice carving workshop on Saturday Jan 25 2003 Instructors from Henry Ford Community College will be on hand to lead participants through this three hour introduction to creating ice sculptures Call the Arts Council at (734) 416 4278 early to reserve your spot and for further information

Open Skate The City of Plymouth offers Skate with Santa from 4 5 50 pm Sunday Dec 22 at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena Event includes pizza pop and open skate with Santa Tickets are \$5 in advance \$6 at the

door PCAC 70s Bash Tickets

Special Christmas pricing on tickets for the PCAC's annual dinner dance and auction to be held Friday March 14 2003 at St John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth By purchasing tickets before Jan 1 PCAC members will save \$10 per person or \$15 per person for a table of 10 Non members save \$10 per person on a table of 10 To purchase tickets donate an auction item or help the planning committee call the Arts Council at (734) 416 4278

hotline at 1-888-281-7630.



COURTESY PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Toy collectionStudents at East Middle School collected more than 50 toys and more than \$300 in cash for the Toys for Tots program Pictured are, top row, Toys Tots elf Jingles and Santa, bottom row from left Marsha Hoff principal, East Middle School, Linda Gayer, teacher and Student Council advisor, East Middle School eighth-graders Lulu Zhang of Canton, Eric Thornton of Canton, Chelsea Selden of Plymouth and Jocelin Chang of Canton, and Jan Coratti, teacher and Student Council advisor

Spring Youth Soccer Registration

The entire month of January at the Recreation Office of the City of Plymouth during business hours 8 a m to 430 p m Monday through Friday All registrations require a birth certificate Call (734) 455 6620 for fur ther information

Model Railroad Display

A fantastic display of model railroad ing will be coming to the Novi Expo Center for the Toy & Hobby Expo 2002 Dec 27 29 featuring three collector shows in one location Call (734) 455 2110 for hours

Nursery Registration

Plymouth Children's Nursery Co op has openings for 3 4 year olds. One to three days per week School located on Sheldon road in Canton Call (734) 455 6250 or (734) 453 0595 for more information

Plymouth Symphony

Plymouth Symphony League is launch ing the 2003 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale The cost is \$30 Place your order at the Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas

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Recreation Registration

The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages Classes include gymnastics dance core body exercise tots jump a rama tae kwon do personal development aerobics clogging senior trips and programs and much more Call (734) 455 6620 for more information

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Plymouth VFW

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pm to 730 pm. The price is only \$7 at the Plymouth VFW 1426 S Mill **MOPS-Plymouth**

The MOPS group is now enrolling for fall Relaxing fun time for moms while games stories singing and play Meets first and third Fridays of the month from 9 a m to 11 a m at Lake Pointe Bible Chapel 42150 Schoolcraft Rd Plymouth Call for info (734) 420

Colonial Kiwanis

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meets at noon Thursdays at Ernesto's 41661 Plymouth Road Plymouth Guests are welcome For information call Ernie Hughes membership chair man (734) 414 0400

MOPS-Westland

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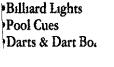
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Kiwanis Breakfast Club

The Plymouth Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club meets 7 a m every Tuesday at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer Plymouth Guests are welcome Call Charr Briggs at (810) 406 8489

The Canton II Chapter of Business Network International (BNI) meets 7 8 30 a m every Wednesday at Atlantis Restaurant 39500 Ann Arbor Rd Plymouth The Laurel Park Chapter meets 7 8 30 a m at Archie's Family Restaurant on Plymouth Road east of Merriman Livonia The Plymouth Chapter meets every Thursday at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer Plymouth

The Livonia Chapter meets 7 8 30 a m at Senate Coney Island on Plymouth at Stark Livonia Call the BNI regional office at (810) 323 3800

MOPS

The Plymouth Baptist Church holds the Mothers Of Preschoolers meetings 9 11 30 a m on the first and third Tuesdays of each month These meet ings provide a time for moms to devel op new friendships with other moms Child care is provided. The church is at 42021 Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth between Lilley and Haggerty Call (734) 453 5534

Mothers of Multiples

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Cool freeze

TG1 Friday's most popular holiday drink is colorful cold and minty and can be made at home for the holidays with or without alcohol

Here are both versions KID'S CANDY CANE

5 6 drops peppermint extract 1/2 cup milk 1 cup vanilla ice cream Grenadine

Whipped cream (1/2 cup or more from an aerosol can) 1 candy cane

Combine all ingredients except Grenadine in a blender Blend until smooth

Swirl glass with Grenadine from bottom to top and quickly pour in the drink Top with whipped cream and a large peppermint candy

T.G.I. FRIDAY'S CANDY CANE

2 tablespoons white



creme de cacao 2 tablespoons pepper mint schnapps 2 tablespoons half &

1/2 cup vanilla ice cream 1/4 cup crushed ice

Grenadine Whipped cream (about one half cup from an aerosol can) Candy cane

Follow same directions as the Kid's Candy Cane

Rush Hour

The Rush Hour Cook www.rushourcook.com_is new series by Champion Press Ltd aimed at busy moms with little cooking experience

Author Brook Noel promises that all ingredients in her book can be pro nounced accurately through the phonetic use of the English language (meaning you won t find exotic spices here)

She also claims that each ingredient can be found in regular supermarkets and that none of the ingredient lists is longer than the instructions

The book includes dishes like Presto Pasta and Must Have Meatloaf

It also includes trivia about our busy lifestyle such as Americans consume 100 acres of pizza each

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FERRERO ROCHER CHOCOLATES

A sweet train with macaroni wheels, on a licorice track, surrounds gifts topped with Ferrero Rocher Chocolates

Delicious decor

Try some whimsical holiday accents that you can eat

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Theres not much time left to decorate the house and bake desserts for Christmas so why not complete both tasks at the same time?

Make holiday desserts table decor Top a regular frosted cake with baby snowmen created by stacking two frosted white cup cakes on top of each other Use pretzel sticks for the arms suggests Caitlin Hafner of U Take the Cake in Piymouth Iownship

Or you can pick up a three dimensional snow man cake mold by Wilton Industries at Michaels and lage out of graham cracker pretty enough to be used as Bed Bath & Beyond stores to create your own Frosty dessert cake

Spruce up your



WILTON INDUSTRIES

Little cookie people and trees can help transform a gingerbread house into a village. Use licorice to make smiley faces, fruit roll-ups for belts and pants, and gum drops to make noses

Christmas tree with a little candy filled train The train cars are made out of empty juice boxes the wheels are macaroni and the track is liconice. It's Easy to make and the kids can help

Or create a medieval vil

or gingerbread houses Tint shiedded coconut with green food coloring for grass and use brown sugar to cre ate a dirt path leading to the village Or, surprise holiday guests with an edible wreath created by topping a chocolate bundt cake or shortcake ring with scoops of Edy's M&M S Mint Ice

Cream And if you're too busy to make your own treats, local bakeries can help

At most bakeries, like U Take the Cake, Monday is the cut-off date to preorder holiday items Hefner said a few others might be available on Christmas Eve There will also be "emergency cakes" available that day which are pretty, but not as detailed as pre-ordered cakes



EDY'S ICE CREAM

Edy's Mam Mint ice Cream is used as a "topper" for this choco late shortbread wreath

'People love desserts that are also used to dress up the table," said cake expert Wendy Davidow, of From Scratch Cooking School

and Bakery in Southfield Davidow's specialty is highly decorated cakes A three-dimensional tree cake is one of her top sellers this time of year "They really are different, people just love them"

Davidow said Margo Moravcık, coproprietor of Home Bakery in Rochester, says desserts topped with red and green fruits, like strawberries and kiwi, are nice ways to decorate with holiday flair Foods

don't necessarily need heavy icing and candies to look festive

'People really go wild for our Christmas yule logs that are decorated with fresh fruit and greenery like holly," she saıd

U Take the Cake, The Whistle Stop Bakery in Birmingham and Home Bakery all offer yule log shaped cakes At The Whistle Stop, the logs are created with yellow cake batter that's rolled in chocolate cream, and topped with holiday colors and holly

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Cut off top of one small nuice box Cut off backs of remaining seven juice boxes Thoroughly wash and dry boxes, saving straws Wrap each box with tissue paper as if wrapping a gift Cut juice straws in half and slip two pasta wheels onto the ends of each piece (Pinching ends of the straws may be required to slide them into center of pasta wheels Straws will hold secure once they are in) These are the wheels and axles Two sets of wheels and axles are needed for each car

Wrap can with tissue paper and lay on its side Using tape, attach one end of can to small upright box (this will be the engine) Sit engine on a pair of wheels and tape a nut or fruit of choice to the front

Lay licorice tracks on the table Arrange wheels so one set fits beneath each car, and lay cars on top of them, applying a little glue if desired Fill cars with extra tissue and dried fruits and

Yield One Eight Car Snack Train

MINT HOLIDAY WREATH

3/4 cup butter softened 3/4 cup powdered sugar 1/2 teaspoon vanilla 11/4 cups all purpose flour Edv s M&M s Mint ice Cream (half gallon) (you can use strawber ry ice cream also) Green gum drops (1/4 pound or less) id cinnamon candii

M&M s

1/2 cup cocoa powder

Grease a 9-inch round cake pan with butter and dust with cocoa powder Set aside Preheat oven to 325°F Beat butter, powdered sugar and vanilla with an electric mixer until light and creamy Mix flour and cocoa with butter mixture until just combined Dough will be stiff Pat into prepared pan, pressing evenly

Bake 25 minutes or until edges are dry and top is firm Cool in pan Run a knife around edge of shortbread and turn out onto a plate that fits in the freezer Place large scoops of ice cream around the top edge

PLEASE SEE **RECIPES, B2**

Pacific Echo bubbles to heady success

🔊 alıfornıa's Anderson Valley in Mendocino County might be the best place in the US to grow chardonnay and pinot noir for sparkling wine

Cool breezes from the Pacific Ocean nearby, coupled with northern California sunshine, create ideal conditions in the Anderson Valley, near Philo, Calif, home to Pacific Echo Cellars and its sparkling wines

"It is the coolest growing region in California," Pacific Echos winemaker Tex Sawyer said "This allows our grapes to hang on the vine longer to become fully mature before har-



Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

vest The average annual temperature is 56 degrees Fahrenheit, which is comparable to the Champagne region of France However, Anderson Valley is at a lower latitude than Champagne, so it gets more sun that assures fully ripened fruit

each vintage"

Founded in 1981 by John Scharffenberger, who now makes the renowned Scharffen Berger Chocolates, the winery (then called Scharffenberger Cellars) was the first sparkling wine producer to use Anderson Valley grapes in its cuvee (blend) By 1989, the sparklers grabbed the attention of French champagne producers As a result, Scharffenberger sold his project to Champagne Pommery, a division of the French luxury brand leader LVMH The name of the sparkling wine was changed to

Pacific Echo in 1999 and continues to be owned by LVMH today

QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE

Even though the sparklers have been made in a state-ofthe-art winery since 1991, nobody is resting on laurels at Pacific Echo The quest for the best is ongoing with expansion of estate vineyards to 100-plus * acres, planted to chardonnay and pinot noir Long-term contracts with four Anderson Valley the wines" grape growers provides flexibility in blending, 'a key,' Sawyer

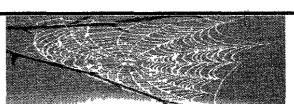
said, "to the Pacific Echo style "Although relatively rare in California for sparkling wines, all Pacific Echo base wines undergo 100 percent malolactic fermentation, as do top-quality French champagnes This ensures rich, complex flavors and a round, creamy finish with

"With improved vineyard sources, the Pacific Echo style has evolved As is the aim of all world-class producers, each vintage is a constant refinement of

great length

PLEASE SEE HEALDS, B4

Are there cobwebs on your cultural calendar?



Turn to today's ARTS section. Get inspired with ideas for some worthwhile things to do. Observer & Eccentric | Sunday December 22 2002

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16 wrapped Ferrero Rocher chocolates 1 foam ball 4 inch diameter Non toxic craft glue Toothpicks 1 gift box 10 feet ribbon 11/2 inches wide divided Serrated knife Wrapping paper (optional)

Note Its essential to the design to keep the chocolates in their gold wrappers and brown cups

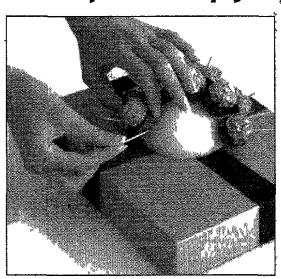
Wrap box with decorative paper if desired Then, cut two pieces of ribbon long enough to wrap around box to form a four-square grid Cut the ribbon so the ends of each piece just meet on top of box Tape ends to box

Cut foam ball in half with serrated knife and glue flat side of one half on the spot where ribbon ends

One at a time, apply small amount of glue to bottom of each Rocher brown cup and affix it to foam ball To support chocolate while glue dries, insert two toothpicks beneath it into foam ball

Continue with the rest of the chocolates, covering foam ball completely, but leaving a little space between each chocolate

Cut six to eight pieces of ribbon measuring 6 inches each Fold one in half, apply a small amount of glue to the ends and insert it into an empty space between chocolates so it adheres to foam Repeat with remaining pieces



A Styrofoam ball, toothpicks, ribbon and Ferrero Rocher chocolates make a sweet "bow" topper for any gift

Cut a "v" in the ends of two to four additional ribbon pieces (these pieces should be about 10 to 12 inches long) Apply glue to end of one ribbon and attach it at the base of the chocolates (where foam meets box)

Repeat with remaining pieces as desired Fluff and adjust ribbons accordingly

Special Note Actual length and width of ribbon will vary depending on box size and personal taste

Yield. One Rocher Gift Box Ribbon

RECIPES

FROM PAGE B1

of cookie to form a wreath Cut green gum drops into thin slices and arrange three slices each to make "holly leaves" and use the red candy for the bernes To serve cut into wedges with sharp

Optional Although its the ice cream scoops placed around the cake that gives the appearance of the wreath, you can also cut a round circle in the center of the cooked dough to make the wreath appearance Decorate the center with a candle or other

Source Edy's Ice Cream

CINNAMON SPICE BUTTER COOKIES

1 cup butter softened 1 cup sugar 1 egg 2 tablespoons orange juice 1 tablespoon vanilla 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 2 1/2 cups all purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking powder

GLAZE INGREDIENTS:

2 1/2 cups powdered sugar 2 tablespoons water 1 tablespoon butter softened 1 tablespoon light corn syrup 1/2 teaspoon vanilla or almond extract Red or green food color if

desired Decorator candies sugars etc if destred

Combine one cup butter, sugar and egg in large mixer bowl Beat at medium speed, until creamy (one to two minutes) Add orange juice and one tablespoon vanilla Continue beating, scraping bowl often, until well mixed (one to two minutes) Reduce speed to

low Add flour, baking powder and cinnamon, beat, scraping bowl often, until well mixed (one to two minutes)

Divide dough in thirds Shape each third into a ball on plastic food wrap Wrap in plastic food wrap, flatten to 1/2 inch Refrigerate until firm (two to three hours)

Heat oven to 400°F Roll out dough on lightly floured surface, one-third at a time (keeping remaining dough refrigerated), to 1/8 to 1/4 inch thickness Cut with cookie cutters Place one inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets Bake for six to 10 minutes or until edges are lightly browned Cool completely

To make glaze Combine powdered sugar, water, one tablespoon butter, corn syrup and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla in small mixer bowl, mix until powdered sugar is moistened Beat at medium speed until smooth, adding addi tional water if necessary, to reach desired glazing consistency

Tint with food color if desired Glaze cooled cookies Add decorator candies if desired Let stand until hardened (6 hours or overnight)

QUICK MINIATURE GINGERBREAD House

7 graham crackers Frosting for glue (recipe below) Assorted small candies for deco ratıng Ribbon

FROSTING FOR THE HOUSE

1/2 pound confectioner's sugar 3 tablespoons butter/margarine 1/2 teaspoon vanilla

11/2 2 tablespoons milk

Mix all the ingredients together until smooth and spreadable, not thin Add more sugar if too

thin If you have a pastry bag, place frosting in bag and use a small tip

If not you can use a zip lock bag cutting a small whole in the corner Place one graham cracker flat on the table, squeeze a little frosting around all edges Know you may need an extra pair of hands

Place one cracker on each side standing up, now looks like a box with no top Carefully squeeze more frosting on all outside corner top to bottom and around the bottom of the box

Let stand for a short while to let frosting harden a little

This will make working with the roof a little easier Now squeeze frosting on two of the top edges of the box and place the last two graham crackers in a "V" shape on as the roof It looks like a triangle on a box now from the side May over hang if you can get the frosting to hold for you

Squeeze frosting along the top of the roof where crackers join Let stand again until frosting hardens a little Now comes the fun part - with left over frosting cover the roof to look like snow (Two sides are left open) Then squeezing small amounts on candy place candy on the house to decorate

You can use the frosting to add things like doors and windows After project is totally dry, string ribbon through to open side of the roof and hang on Christmas tree If you want to do this project with young children, you might want to make the base house ahead of time, gluing the corners from the inside - and let ıt harden

Special Note This craft is safe to eat, but if you would like to save your treasure for years to come you can use a spray varnish ın a well ventilated area (2 - 3 coats of varnish)

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Vegan spanakopita becomes a tradition

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CONCORD, N H (AP) _ For my family, no holiday meal is complete without a platter of Mom s vegan spanakopita

We re not sure how the tradition began Our Jewish-French Canadian-Russian-American Indian roots just don't seem to call out for the rich Greek dish of feta cheese and spinach

wrapped in flaky phyllo dough Yet for as long as we can remember spanakopita has been an integral part of our Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners

Of course, our version of the dish didn't start out dairy-free Back in our not-so-vegan and not-so-slender days we loaded on layers of butter and cheese, turning out a hefty lasagnastyle spanakopita we called ʻpıta."

The transformation was slow and, we think, subtle First the cheese and butter were dumped Though I'm not a fan of substituting tofu, this is one case where it worked

Next went the spinach We decided we preferred the more substantial taste and texture of kale, which stands up better during the roughly one hour spanakopita spends in the oven

The cheese substitution was easier (and tastier) than it sounds, thanks in part to a couple of wonderful recipes by the prolific vegetarian writer Joanne Stepaniak

In her book, The Uncheese Cookbook' (Book Publishing Co, \$12 95), she offers dozens of recipes for marinating and seasoning tofu into tasting like various cheeses

For a dish such as spanakopita, where it isn't necessary for the cheese to melt pizza-style, these tofu cheeses are perfect We use her recipes (only slight ly modified) for the feta and ricotta (or cottage) cheese

called for in our original recipe Our tinkering with this recipe had an additional bene fit Minus the cheese this dish contains little fat other than the slight bit of olive oil used to

moisten the sheets of phyllo The difficult part about pita is knowing when to eat it Our tradition is to serve it warm at dinner But within just a few hours, we usually are raiding the refrigerator for cold left-

overs It is fantastic both ways The recipe may seem a bit intricate (while making it recently with Mom, she muttered, 'It's not fun to make"), but it really does speed along and the result is well worth the effort

While working with phyllo dough, it is important to keep the unused portions covered with a damp towel Otherwise the sheets will dry out and become too brittle to work with Since phyllo typically is purchased frozen, let it thaw in the refrigerator overnight before using it Letting it thaw at room temperature can make it mushy Also, prepare the "cheeses" the night before to speed up this recipe

SPANAKOPITA

(Preparation 90 minutes not counting marinating time for the cheese)

Cottage Cheese substitute 1 pound extra firm tofu drained and mashed

3/4 cup tofu mayonnaise 3 teaspoons finely chopped onion

2 cloves garlic finely minced 1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon ground dill seed

Feta Cheese substitute 1 pound extra firm tofu drained and cut into 1/4 inch cubes

2 cups water 3 tablespoons nutritional yeast flakes (found at health food

1 teaspoon salt 2 teaspoons finely minced onion 1 clove garlic finely minced 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme 1/4 teaspoon dried marjoram 1/4 teaspoon ground dill seed

Feta Cheese Marinade 1/4 cup red wine vinegar 1/4 cup water 2 tablespoons tahını 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice 1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon dried basil

1 teaspoon dried oregano

1 clove garlic finely minced

One I pound package frozen phyl lo dough

2 bunches (roughly 1/2 pound) kale or spinach leaves 1 large onion diced 2 to 3 tablespoons olive oil

Start by making the cottage cheese substitute Place all ingredients in a large bowl and mix thoroughly with your hands or a wooden spoon Dont use a food processor, as you want the cheese to be lumpy, not pureed Can be used immediately or stored in the refrigerator for up to a week.

To make the feta cheese, combine cheese ingredients in a sauce pan Bring the mixture to a boil over a medium-high flame, then reduce to a simmer for 20 minutes Stir occasionally Drain the tofu and set aside in a bowl

To make the marinade for the feta cheese, whisk all ingredients together in a bowl, then pour over the feta cheese tofu and toss to coat Cover and chill several hours stirring occasionally Once marinated the tofu feta can be stored in the refrigerator for up to one week To make the spanakopita preheat the oven to

Remove the phyllo dough from its package and cover with a damp cloth Wash

any thick stems Finely chop the leaves

In a medium saute pan cook the onion in 1 tablespoon olive oil until translucent, about three minutes Set aside

Drain the feta cheese and crumble into a large bowl Add the cottage cheese and mix well Add the onions and kale, then use your hands to mix everything until very well combined

Use a pastry brush to lightly brush the bottom of a lasagna pan with olive oil Place a layer of phyllo dough (2 or 3 sheets) over the bottom of the pan, curling the excess up the sides

Lightly brush the phyllo with olive oil and spread a 1/4- to 1/2inch layer of kale and tofu filling on it Cover the mixture with another layer of phyllo dough, again layering any excess dough up the sides of the pan Brush the phyllo with more olive oil and repeat the process until all the kale and tofu mixture has been used, or top of the pan is reached Cap the pita with a final layer of phyllo dough and brush with oil

Bake for 45 minutes, or until the top of the phyllo begins to brown lightly Allow to cool 10 minutes before serving

Makes 12 servings

Welcome chestnuts to your winter table

Chestnuts roasting on an open fire are not the only way to enjoy these holiday and winter favorites An extremely versatile food, chestnuts are used in soups and desserts, stuffed into turkeys, eaten whole as a snack and mixed with vegetables as a side dish

Unlike other nuts, chestnuts are virtually fat-free They also are a good source of complex carbohydrates, minerals and a number of vitamins, particularly B6, B12 and C Because their nutritional content compares to brown rice, chestnuts have been called 'the grain that grows on a tree'

Most fresh chestnuts sold in America are imported from Europe, where many varieties of trees are common American chestnut trees were virtually wiped out by a lethal fungus in the last century, but efforts are ongoing to develop a blightresistant American chestnut

The culmary challenge, of course, is that fresh chestnuts need to be cooked and peeled of their hard outer shells and bit-

ter inside skin But now, already-cooked chestnuts are available, vacuum packed in cans or frozen in plastic bags This convenience makes preparing dishes with chestnuts a snap Still, nothing beats the flavor and ritual of roasting and peeling fresh chestnuts to eat out of hand Choose fresh ones that are plump, firm and unblemished Store them in a cool, dry place and use them as soon as possible, before they lose their moisture

Chestnuts with Brussels sprouts is a classic American holiday dish But it's a good choice for any winter meal The crunch and taste of the Brussels sprouts are a good match with the creamy flavor of chestnuts And research shows that cruciferous vegetables like Brussels sprouts contain compounds that help fight off cancer

CHESTNUTS AND BRUSSELS SPROUTS

1 pound fresh Brussels sprouts the smallest available

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Chestnuts with Brussels sprouts is a classic American holiday dish. But it's a good choice for any winter meal. The crunch and taste of the Brussels sprouts are a good match with the creamy flavor of chestnuts

1 pound fresh or frozen (cooked) chestnuts quartered* 1 teaspoon extra virgin olive oil

or olive oil spray 1 medium red onion sliced thin as possible

Sprinkle of fresh crumbled thyme Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Trım the stem ends of the Brussels sprouts Cut them in half if large Bring a saucepan of salted water to a boil, add Brussels sprouts and cook until just tender, about 8 to 10 minutes Transfer with slotted spoon into a bowl of cold water to stop cooking Drain thoroughly

Heat oil in a large non-stick pan over medium high heat until AICR's Web address is www.aicr.org

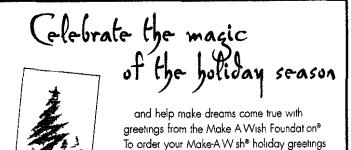
hot (If using oil spray, generously coat pan before heating until hot)

Add Brussels sprouts, chestnuts, onions and thyme Reduce heat to low-medium and heat until vegetables are completely heated through, stirring occasionally Add salt and pepper to taste and serve

*Bottled (unsweetened) or canned chestnuts can also be used Makes 10 servings

Per 1/2-cup serving 123 calories, 2 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 25 g carbohydrate, 3 g protein, 6 g dietary fiber, 13 mg sodium





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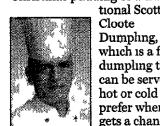
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Memories of Scotland inspire desserts

hristmas time brings back fond memories of my mother baking at home, making such delights as a good Christmas pudding or a traditional Scottish



Michigan's Best

Colin Brown

which is a fruit dumpling that can be served hot or cold I prefer when it gets a chance to cool and then is sliced and fried with a sprinkling of salt It's enough to make my mouth water just thinking

about it Back home we also serve it as a breakfast item Christmas pudding is very rich but wonderful with brandy but-

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2 cups dried fruits chopped 2 cups fresh white bread crumbs 1/2 cup dates roughly chopped 1 cup vellow raisins 1 cup raisins

1 cup Brazil nuts chopped (option

1 orange grated rind only 3 eggs beaten 1 teaspoon cinnamon 1 teaspoon nutmeg (fresh) Powdered sugar for dusting

Grease Pyrex Pudding Dish with butter Must be oven proof Line base of dish with a disk of parchment paper

Mix all ingredients together and spoon into bowl and level

Cover with pleated, double thickness of Parchment paper Top with aluminum foil pleated also to prevent any leaks in or out plain flour during steaming It's important to have a good seal

Using a large pan, place a plate upside down in the bottom of the pan, place the pudding in a bowl

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or Pyrex Pudding Dish with enough water to come 1/2 way up the bowl Cover with a tight fitting lid and proceed to cook on a soft simmer for 2 to 2 1/2 hours to steam. Remember to keep the water level at half way or your pudding could burn dry

A SCOTTISH CHRISTMAS CLOOTE DUMPLING

1 cup sugar 1 cup fresh bread crumbs 4 ounces melted margarine 1 cup raisins 1 teaspoon baking soda 1 pound all purpose flour 1/2 cup currants

1 teaspoon cinnamon 1 whole grated apple Whole milk to mix ingredients (Slightly wet consistency)

Combine ingredients

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Turn the mixture into the cloth and leave room for expansion Tie the top into a ball shape and secure by wrapping string around the top and the off

Place an upside down plate at the bottom of a pot large enough to hold the dumpling Place the dumpling in pot and cover with warm water until it comes half way up Do not let the water level fall below half way and continue to cook at a slow simmer for 3-4 hours You will test when ready by placing a large needle or pin into the dumpling until the center comes out dry When cooked and cooled a little remove from the cloth and place on baking sheet and continue to dry a httle in a warm oven for about 20 minutes Enjoy!

Chef Colin Brown is Executive Chef of The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham He studied culinary arts at the Glasgow College of Food Technology and has won an impressive array of awards including the Scottish Chef of the Year and was a member of the Scottish Culinary Olympic team which won seven gold medals six silver medals and four bronze medals in Frankfurt Married and the father of four children Brown and his family reside in Auburn Hills Look for his col umn in Taste You can e mail him at www.chef@townsendhotel.com

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Gather family around festive holiday buffet

enjoy serving holiday dinners buffet style because once the platters are presented, we all dine, drink and share together When you're planning your buffet, consider serving pieces For example, you wouldn't want to serve a delicate piece of poached salmon on a heavy

Kellı Lewton

with large bouquets of dill with interesting accompaniments and sauces Perhaps your tenderloin plat-

pewter platter

beautiful white

or glass vessel

but rather a

ter will be sharing space with other foods that make sense such as sticky caramel roasted garlıc cloves, smoky balsamic onions and roasted peppers finished with a bow of rosemary Of course food is first and

foremost but it doesn't hurt to have a dazzling table to host the beautiful holiday food It is not as difficult as one

might think and you do not have to spend a fortune

It is always nice to have a base cloth on your buffet table It is kind of like the frosting on a cake, and now it is time to decorate

Gather some old hat boxes, phone books, or even pots turned upside down and scatter them about

Cover these risers with decorative linen or remnants I have often used color sheets for accent linen when entertaining Think about how you will place serving pieces - put some on top of risers and others on the table surface

In between these vessels you might place sprigs of festive pine, cinnamon sticks, or pine

Keep your theme in mind, natural, golds and silvers or traditional cranberry and hunter green, and work from there Remember, decorating sets the stage, but foods are your true actors so don t over do it

Our holiday celebrations are jammed packed with food, family, friends, more food and libations I find a little planning can make vou a star as well as a guest at your holiday gathering Peace and a healthful, Happy

New Year SPINACH ARTICHOKE FILLING OR

SPREAD 1 cup artichoke hearts sliced thin

1/2 red pepper diced fine 3 tablespoons good quality Parmesan cheese 1 teaspoon freshly minced garlic

1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice 1/2 cup chopped spinach 2 tablespoons olive oil Salt and pepper and onion powder to taste

Mix all ingredients and season with salt and pepper and onion powder to taste Serve in bowl with pita chips, crackers or baguette slices

To make Stuffed Spinach Mushrooms

Steam and clean 24 large stuffing size button mushrooms Toss with olive oil and salt and pepper

Heat large sauté pan with ohve oil and sauté mushrooms until browned Filled mushroom caps . with artichoke dip and bake at 350ºF for 8-10 minutes

PEAR CRUSTED PORKLOIN MEDALLIONS WITH PEARS &

FENNEL

1 whole porkloin - trimmed 1/2 cup coarse Dijon mustard 1/2 cup prepared Dijon mustard 1/4 cup honey 1/4 cup white wine I whole egg 3 tablespoons mixed herbs of

your choice Salt and pepper 3/4 cup flour with your choice of

seasonings 11/2 cups bread crumbs 1 cup toasted pecans medium/coarsely ground

2 large fennel bulbs 4 pears

Salt & pepper to taste Olive oil 2 tablespoons butter 3 tablespoons brown sugar 1/2 cup Maytag Blue Cheese optional

Slice trimmed porkloin into 1/2-inch medallions Season meat with salt and pepper

Mix mustard, honey, wine, herbs and salt and pepper to taste in bowl Mix bread crumbs and pecans Dredge pork medallions in

flour then dip in mustard mixture and pat firmly into bread crumb mixture until coated Heat saute pan coated with a

fair amount of olive oil and sear meat on both sides Finish in 350ºF oven for 10-15 minutes To prepare fennel

Clean fennel slice and toss with olive oil and salt and pepper Half pears, clean and slice into 1/2 inch slices Roast fennel in 400°F oven for

5 minutes, add pears and toss

Continue to roast 5 minutes oat with melted butter and brown sugar and roast an addıtional 5-8 minutes

Sprinkle mixture with blue cheese if desired and melt

To serve - Arrange porkloin on platter with pear/fennel gar-

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(\$24) pleases with toasty bread aromas, vanilla, lemon custard and ripe peach flavors Pair it with scallops, prawns, fillet of sole or a mixed greens salad with citrus or mirin-based vinaigrette ■ 1995 Brut Private Reserve

(\$31) sports aromas portending richness A solid fruit flavor core offers integrity between the aromas and finish Match it with the same foods recommended with the NV Brut

I 1997 Brut Rose (\$24) highlights raspberry-like fruit with delightful notes of toasted almonds It will pair with any foods that complement pinot noir, such as lamb, pork, beef, venison or other game meats, turkey, tuna or red snapper

■ NV Cremant (\$19) is a great bubbly to serve if you're not sure of the preferences in a mixed group of guests Tropical fruit salad aromas and pear-apple flavors make a natural with southeast Asian and Pacific Rim fusion cuisines, as well as Cajun

The natural fruit sweetness pairs it to any spicy dish

NEW WORLD BUBBLES

Manother California sparkler that has impressed us is the new Chandon Riche (\$15), a versatile bubbly that enhances rich and spicy foods and well as fruit-based desserts

We remain fans of Pacific Echo's neighbor Roederer Estate in Anderson Valley and recommend the Brut (\$22), Brut Rose (\$26) and, at the top of the line, the exceptionally well-balanced and complex 1997 L'Ermitage (\$46)

The 2000 Seaview Brut from Australia is this year's bargain bubbly at \$9 It's fruity with a fresh, soft and delightful finish

All wines mentioned are available in the metro Detroit area If a retailer does not stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor

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Make those sugarplums that dance in your head, the chestnuts, too

eporters in the newsroom talk with me a lot since I sit near the coffee machine. When it's brewing, they need something to do It's good for me because I get good information on a lot of subjects, and some office gossip too.



Lana Mini

Recently an editor waiting for his coffee leaned against my desk, empty cup dangling from his thumb, and asked for a sugardum recent

asked for a sugarplum recipe Hmmmm A unique food

"Sugarplums you know he said "The children were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of sugarplums danced in their heads?"

I knew what they were He
just wanted to recite the tale
"I'll find it," I said "And how
about a figgy pudding recipe,
too?"

Surprisingly, he had a figgy pudding recipe and delivered it the following day while halfsinging-and-half-talking the song lyrics "Oh bring us a figgy pudding, oh bring us figgy pudding and bring it right here"

And there an idea was formed We realized the fun and warm delight we could share by serving holiday guests foods from traditional Christmas songs and tales I would write an article about it, I decided

The idea seemed brilliant, and for days we talked about it while waiting for coffee We decided we also needed a recipe for "chestnuts roasting on an open fire"

The sugarplum recipe was the hardest to find Interestingly, the word plum is actually an 1800s English term for any dried fruit – meaning "sugar plum" is any candied

dried fruit
I'm going to make the recipes
for Christmas Eve If you'd like
to do the same, try one or all
three of the recipes below

And have yourself a Merry little Christmas

SUGAR PLUMS DANCING IN YOUR

HEADS

1 cup raisins 1 cup bite size pitted prunes 1 cup dates 1 cup currants

1 cup candied cherries dried cherries or dried cranberries 1 cup walnuts

1/2 to 3/4 cup confectioners sugar 3/4 cup granulated sugar

Using a food processor, grind the fruits and nuts and mix well Work into the mixture as much confectioners' sugar as it takes to form one-inch balls Roll in granulated sugar, then place on a rack to dry for 24 hours

Source www.recipecottage.com

Bring us a Figgy Pudding

1/2 cup snipped dried figs 1/4 cup orange flavored liqueur such as Triple Sec or Grand Marner

1/2 cup butter softened
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup all purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
1/8 teaspoon black pepper
1/2 cup finely dry bread crumbs
2 eggs slightly beaten
1/2 cup milk
1/4 cup chopped dates

almonds 1/4 cup walnut pieces 1/4 cup brandy (optional) 1 recipe Hard Sauce (see below)

1/4 cup coarsely chopped

1/4 cup raisins

Soak figs in orange liqueur overnight. In a bowl beat butter and brown sugar with a mixer on medium speed until combined. Add flour, baking soda, salt, all-spice and pepper, beat on medium speed until combined. Stir in undrained figs, bread crumbs, eggs, milk, dates, raisins, almonds and walnuts until com-

Butter or coat with nonstick cooking spray a one-quart heat-proof pudding mold, bowl or casserole dish Spoon batter into the pudding mold and cover the top with a double layer of tin foil Press foil firmly around the edges

of mold to seal Place pudding mold on a rack in a deep kettle Add boiling water to a depth of about one inch Cover the kettle Bring to a gentle boil and steam for 60 to 75 minutes or until a long wooden pick or skewer inserted into center comes out clean Add more boiling water to kettle if needed Remove mold Cool pudding for 10 minutes, remove pudding from mold If desired, before serving, in a small saucepan, heat brandy until it almost summers Carefully ignite brandy with a long match Pour over pudding Serve immediately with hard sauce

(To make it ahead) Cool for 10 minutes, unmold Let stand 30 to 40 minutes on a wire rack to cool slightly Wrap tightly in plastic and store up to two days To reheat, return pudding to same bowl

Cover and steam 40 minutes or until warm (an instead-read thermometer inserted near center registers 120-130°F) Cool about 10 minutes and unmold, serve warm Serves 8

CHESTNUTS ROASTING ON AN OPEN FIRE (OR CONVENTIONAL OVEN)

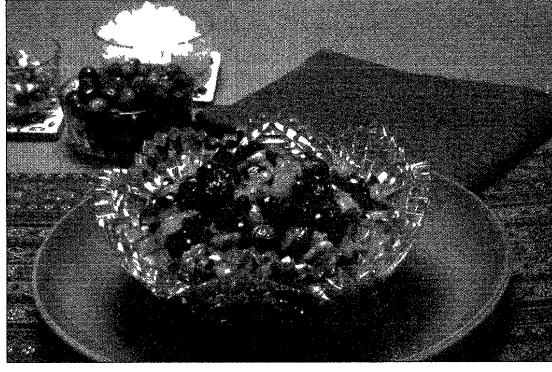
1 pound chestnuts (Red wine optional)

Preheat oven to 400°F Cut two slashes in the flat side of each chestnut (to prevent them from exploding) Arrange nuts in a single layer on a baking sheet and bake for 4 or 5 minutes, turning once Peel with the help of a small knife, and eat warm Watch fingers, they're hot

Addition for fire roasting Buy a cheap, thin steel skillet (non-stick surfaces are not necessary) and punch a dozen holes into the bottom with a strong nail Put the chestnuts into the roaster, sprinkle lightly with water, and cook over brisk heat for 10-20 minutes.

Shake frequently to prevent burning When they're done, the skins will have pulled back from the nuts, and the nutmeats will be firm but fork-tender Sprinkle with a few drops of red wine (if you want), wrap them in an old cloth, squeeze them until they crackle and let them sit in a warm place for five minutes

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Source www.italianfood.about.com



These dishes all have a creative touch that gets you labeled a great hostess. Only another smart cook will guess they are speedy improvisations

Quick party dishes sure to please guests

BY DANA JACOBI CORRESPONDENT

What can you do when company arrives and important parts of your holiday dinner are not yet made? Here are nine ways to beat the clock, using simple ingredients you can buy ahead to have on hand, just in case This supply will also come in handy should the crowd suddenly grow larger than expected, or unexpected guests come calling

These dishes all have a creative touch that gets you labeled a great hostess Only another smart cook will guess they are speedy improvisations Most are sneakily low-fat and healthy, as well

For appetizers, mash boneless sardines with Dijon mustard Spread this on crustless triangles of whole-grain bread, and top with a slice of jalapeno pepper

Or spread hummus on crostini, or toasted Italian bread, and garnish with minced parsley and a sprinkle of paprika for an instant hors doeuvre

To start the meal, pass an old-fashioned relish tray of celery and carrot sticks, red radish roses, store-bought sweet corn relish and low-fat cottage cheese

For instant puréed yams, roast the garnet or jewel variety at 400°F until soft Peel and mash them with Chinese fivespice powder and brown sugar They taste so rich you can skip the usual butter

For a quick accompaniment, make Pineapple Cranberry Relish All it requires is simmering the fruit with sugar, allspice and mixing in walnuts

In place of stuffing, make a dressing that's baked in a separate dish, using wild rice and mashed potatoes as the base instead of commercial bread stuffing, and season with commercially- prepared "stuffing seasoning" and sauteed shallots

Easier than making bread stuffing from scratch, this version helps you avoid the high sodium content of seasoned stuffing mixes

To be really hip, serve chai, iced or hot, instead of eggnog Aromatically spiced, this Indian black tea drink is sold honey-sweetened and ready-to-pour Just add milk and 'cheers'

CRANBERRY PINEAPPLE RELISH

2 cans (7 oz each) crushed pineapple in juice

1 bag (12 oz) cranberries fresh or

1/2 cup light brown sugar Pinch of ground allspice 1/3 cup chopped walnuts

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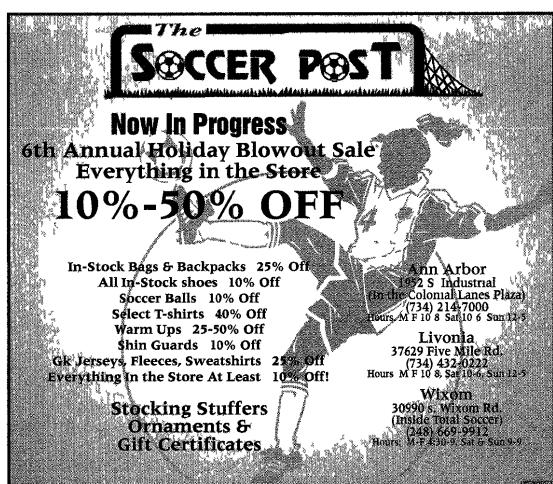
Drain pineapple, reserving its

spice and the reserved liquid in a deep saucepan Bring to a boil, reduce heat

Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer until berries pop and are very soft, about 15 minutes Remove from heat and mix in pineapple and walnuts Turn relish into a serving

dish Cool to room temperature and serve Or, cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate up to five days Makes 2 cups or 8 servings Per serving 131 calories, 3 g total fat (less than 1g saturated fat), 26 g carbohydrate, 1 g protein, 2 g dietary fiber, 10 mg sodium

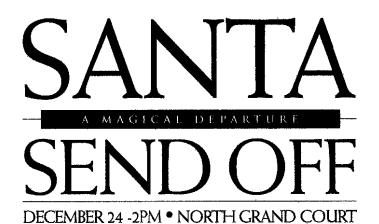
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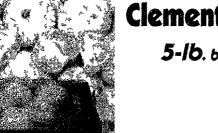
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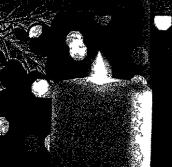


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Salem no match

Hot shot

Tiffany Grubaugh a sopho more at Northern Michigan University and a Salem HS graduate scored 30 points but it couldn't save the Wildcats basketball team in their Florida trip opener which it lost to Rollins College 79 70 Grubaugh also had three rebounds and two assists NMU followed that with a 71 61 victory over Florida Tech and a 77 69 tri umph over Eckerd College Against Tech Grubaugh had 11 points seven boards and four assists and against Eckerd she collected 17 points five assists and four rebounds

Hockey champs

The Canton Crush Squirt AA hockey team (10 years old) emerged as the champions at the Sylvania (OH) Face Off Tournament in Sylvania OH in November Members of the Crush are Steven Manser Zach Vojcek Travis Hall Michael Payne Sean Gaffney Timothy Schafer Patrick Sheahan Nick Riley A J White Riley Groenewoud Joshua Lee Matthew Hull Garret Ross ZJ Doyle and Jordan Smith The team is coached by Ken Gaffney Vince Doyle is an assistant coach Darrell Hall and Mike White are associate coaches Carol Schafer and Tim Schafer are managers

Splitz finish 3rd

The Level 5 team from Splitz Gymnastics located in Canton finished third with 111 80 points at the Region 5 Cup Dec 13 15 in Cincinnati the first major meet of the season Forty clubs from five states competed in this meet

8-and-unders: Alex Romano first in vault (9175) first in beam (9 525) third in floor exercise (915) and third in all around (37 05) Erin Frier sec ond in beam (9 425) and floor (940) and fourth in all around

(36225)9-years-old Lindsey Russell third in bars (93) and fifth in all around (3700) and Kalı Pierce second in floor (9 475) and second in the all

around (37 375) "There were a few standouts if Level 6 as well

i0-years-old Taylor Standish second in vault (9275) second in bars (91) second in beam (8 95) and first in all around (35 75) Megan Valentini third in beam (8 8) and first in bars (925) and McKenzie Skaggs first in beam (9 05) and sec ond in floor (905) and fifth in the all around (34 975) -Lindsay Bridges and Cheryl

Conlins competed for the first time at Level Seven and did quite well Bridges in the 710 age division was first in vault (9 225) first in bars (9 45) first in floor (95) and second in beam (9 425) for a first in the all around (376) Conlin in the 13 year old division was first in vault (94) first in bars (9 575) third in beam (9 15) third in floor (92) and first in all around (37 325)

In Level Eight 14 year old division Kristie Savage was first in bars (9 225) first in beam (9025) second in floor (91) and first in all around (35575)

And at the Level Nine 13 year old division Kari Pearce was first in floor (9 275) and third in the all around (34925)



PAUL HURSCHMANN | OBSERVER

for Wayne's sharpshooting

STAFF WRITER

This game was decided democratically Salem had some good athletes Wayne Memorial had some good athletes The difference was this When it came to counting who had the most athletes, Wayne won hands down

From the 3 24 mark of the first period, the Zebras never trailed - although Salem didn't allow them to get too far out in front The Rocks kept pace most of the game, but couldn't overtake Wayne

A final spurt in the last two minutes allowed the Zebras to post a 62-54 triumph in a game played at Wayne It was their first-ever boys basketball game played as a member of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Welcome to the conference, Wayne Make yourselves at home — which the Zebras did, knocking off the Rocks in their first-ever conference game

"I knew they would be just like that," said Salem coach Bob Brodie of the Wayne team, which he had not seen previously this season "They're aggressive, We had a lot of mental breakdowns in athletic the first half, made a lot of mental mistakes And we had free throw opportunities we didn't make'

Trying to define this game was like trying to define a rollercoaster ride You never knew what was coming next. Wayne finished the third quarter with a 13-5 run, increasing its lead from 33-29 to 46-34

Salem countered with a 9-3 run to start the fourth quarter that narrowed the gap to 49-43 A basket by Stevland Davis with 2 42 remaining allowed the Rocks to narrow the deficit to 53-49, the outcome was still very much in doubt

But in the next 90 seconds, Salem's fate was sealed Dave Hoskins missed a jumper, then could not put in his follow-up try, either, with 2 15 to go A Zebra shot missed and Brad Clark rebounded for the Rocks, but his outlet pass to Davis sailed out of bounds, giving Wayne possession once again with 1.56 left With 1 40 to go, Nick Prentice intercepted a Zebra pass, only to throw it right back to the Zebras

Finally, with 1 06 remaining, Gene Nix put in a putback to push Wayne's lead to 55-49 A Hoskins' three-pointer with 48 to play halved the deficit, but Jonathon Raspberry scored four points down the stretch and TJ McClain added three more to secure the victory

The win left Wayne with a 3 1 record Salem is 2-2 Four players scored in double figures for the

PLEASE SEE SALEM, C2

Dear Santa: Now this is what I want

BY PAUL BEAUDRY AND C.J. RISAK STAFF WRITERS

Pity Melissa Blouin OK, don't pity her, but you are entitled to feel a wee bit sorry for

You see, we asked area athletes and coaches what they wanted for Christmas (and what their New Year's resolutions were too, but that's for another time) And we got the usual answers, like CD's, clothes, computers, money and, of course, cars

We asked Blouin, a senior softball and volleyball player at Redford St Agatha, what she wanted and got "a new car"

But when pressed, there was a little more behind the stock

"I just got a car and it was great," said Blouin "I just got it two weeks ago And the water pump died! So now I don't have a car"

So if anyone wants to help Blouin - without mobility in her life or a working pump in her car - with her sudden financial dilemma, they can feel free

She wasn't the only one of our Observerland group to share what they wanted for Christmas, but she had the most fun in sharing it Here's what some of the others asked for

Leah Woloszyk, Garden City volleyball, basketball and softball:

PLEASE SEE CHRISTMAS, C2

Canton bounces back, tops Brighton

For every attack, Canton had a response Tuesday when the Chiefs traveled to Brighton for a non-league basketball contest

Salem's Dave Hoskins goes up for two of his game-high 30 points against Wayne Memorial Thursday

After a less-than-encouraging performance Tuesday in a loss at Ann Arbor Huron, the Chiefs bounced back with a solid effort at Brighton, bouncing the Bulldogs 76-71 — thanks to their best offensive showing of

the season "We put it together," said Canton coach Jeremy Rheault, his team now 2-3 "It's nice

going into the holidays after a

BASKETBALL

game like this "I said that with Tuesday's game we had taken two steps back. We took three forward tonight'

Five players scored in double figures for Canton, led by Jason Waidmann with 16 He also had 10 rebounds TJ Bridges contributed 13 points and nine boards, Travis McKinney added 12 points (with 8-of-10 free throws), Steve Thornton chipped in with 11 points and a team-best 11 rebounds, and Julian Smith scored 10 Andy Cortellini finished with 4-for-4

free throws and seven assists Brighton, now 2-2 for the season, got 19 points from Jayme Evans, 17 from Kyle Green and

nine from Eric Giusow The Chiefs led 20-15 after one quarter and 35-27 at the half Their advantage slipped by a point through three quarters

(49-42), but a 27-point fourth quarter (Brighton scored 29) allowed them to maintain the lead Bridges scored seven points in the fourth, Thornton had six.

"I know we gave up 71 points," said Rheault, "but that's a good team we faced We did the best we could defensively

"I thought we really worked well as a team Heck, we got five guys scoring in double figures"

PLEASE SEE CANTON, C3

Rocks get a big victory over Stevenson

BY CHAD MACK STAFF WRITER

The Salem boys hockey team made the most of its opportunities in a 4-2 win against Livonia Stevenson Wednesday at Eddie Edgars Arena

Salem has yet to lose a game at 8-0, while Stevenson evens its record at 4-4 They've got a talented team,' Stevenson coach Mike Humitz said

"When you make mistakes against a talented team, they make you pay' The Rocks scored the games first goal in the first minute of play

Salem captain Mark Nagel put the puck past Spartan goaltender Robert Thomas after taking the feed from Adam Gilkin Nagel didn't get good wood on the

puck, but somehow it managed to trickle through Thomas' pads and into the goal "He's got to be the most determined player in the league," Salem coach Fred

Feiler said "Every player should have a

heart like Nagel"

The Rocks controlled the play for most of the first period, while the Spartans couldn't manage to break the neutralzone-trap like formation that Salem kept throwing at them

"Stevenson is a good skating club, so we tried to take the center ice away from them," Feiler said "(The defense) is being responsible in all three zones. When they want to work, there's not too many out there that can out-work them

"I'm happy with the way our defense is coming around"

Salem made Stevenson pay for another turnover in the neutral zone with 7 46 left in the first period John Schultz and Nagel broke into Stevenson's zone on a two-on-one break Nagel passed the puck to Schultz, and he waited for Thomas to go down, then roofed the puck for a 2-0

PLEASE SEE ROCKS, C2



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Salem's Mark Nagel (14) got the first goal of the game, then assisted on the next two as the Rocks topped Stevenson.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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PREP BOYS BASKETBALL Monday Dec. 23 Livon a City Tourney at Churchill 5 & 7 p m Thursday Dec. 26

(River Rouge Tournament) John Glenn vs. Redford CC 6 p m River Rouge vs. Det. Western 8 n m (Allen Park Christmas Tourney) Salem vs Crestwood 7 p m Friday Dec 27

Wayne at Motor City Classic (Cobo) 3 30 p m Allen Park Chr stmas Tourney TBD River Rouge Tournament 6 & 8 p.m. Fordson at Stevenson 7 p m Academy of Ferndale at Bishop Borgess 7 pm

(Trenton Tournament) Thurston vs Riverview 5 30 p m Gibraltar Carlson vs. Trenton 7 30 p.m.

Monday Dec. 30 Trenton Tournament 5 30 & 7 30 p m Friday Jan. 3

Churchill at W.L. Western 7 p.m. Franklin at Redford Union 7 p m John Glenn at Stevenson 7 pm PREP WRESTLING

Saturday Dec. 28 Salem Invitational 9 a m Trenton Dual Tourney 9 am Forest Hills Central Northville JV Alumni at Redford CC 10 a m

Saturday Jan 4 Redford CC at Toledo St. John 10 a m Fordson Invitational 10 a m South Lyon Invitational 10 a m Ply Christian Tourney 10 am Wyandotte Invitational 10 30 a m PREP GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Friday Dec. 27 West Bloomfield Invitational 9 a m

Monday Dec. 30 Bedford Tournament 8 30 a m UM Dearborn Invitational 9 a m Saturday Jan. 4 Michigan Kickoff Classic 9 a m Flushing Invitational 9 a m

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> PREP GIRLS GYMNASTICS Saturday Jan 4 Salem Inv tat onal 940 a m MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

at Medley Center (Ont) 730 p m

Saturday Dec 28 (Schoolcraft Christmas Tournament) Lakeland (Ohlo) vs. George Brown (Ont.) 5 p.m. Schoolcraft vs. Georgian (Ont.) 7 p.m. Sunday Dec 29

Schoolcraft Chr stmas Tourney 1 & 3 p m Monday Dec. 30 Madonna at Bluffton (Oh o) Tourney TBA

Madonna at Bluffton (Ohio) Tourney TBA Saturday Jan 4 Concordia at Madonna 3 p m Schoolcraft at Oakland CC 3 p m

Tuesday Dec. 31

WOMEN S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday Dec. 28 Madonna at Indiana Wesleyan 3 p m Sunday Dec 29

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ROCKS

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With a minute gone in the second period, Stevenson found itself in the uncomfortable position of facing the Rocks' power play unit

Salem increased its lead to 3-0 when Jeff Harris was left all alone on the left side of the goal and let loose a wrist shot that found the twine Nagel managed to slip the puck to Harris despite all the commotion in front of the net

Salem's power play struck again with two minutes left in the second Brandon Wilcox was patient and found the net after taking a pass from Andy Thackaberry

The Spartans were facing a

4-0 deficit with only one period left to do something about it

When you dig yourself a hole, like we did," Humitz said, "its too late in the third period to dig yourself out "Salem's goaltender was playing pretty well all night"

Stevenson finally got to Salem goaltender Ray Kraft with 10 minutes left to play They needed a boost from special teams and that's where they found a spark.

With one minute left on the power play, and the Spartans applying the pressure, they overcame the Rocks' defense and muscled the puck past Kraft

"(Kraft) does a good job," Feiler said "He sets up the defense with quick passes and enables us to have a split-sec-

ond longer to control the puck" Senior forward Thomas

Zagata swept in the rebound from senior forward Justin Dunn and junior defensemen Patrick Norton to cut the lead

Stevenson's final goal came with one minute left to play and the goaltender on the bench

Humitz called time out with two minutes left and instructed Thomas to come to the bench once they gained possession

Then with the extra attacker, the Spartans scored with 1 12 left to play

Senior forward Michael McCray broke in on Kraft and made a great fake to beat him on the short side Senior forward Jared Gaudet and junior forward James Nawrocki each got assists on the play

"We controlled the puck the whole third period," Humitz said "If I could do it all over again, I would have vanked him with five minutes left in the game"

Salem almost got the goal right back 30 seconds later, but Stevenson got a save from an unlikely candidate

With two Salem players ready to knock in the emptynet goal, senior forward Brian Shekell stood in the goal crease and challenged the Salem shooters

Shekell made a brilliant glove save with his left hand and denied the Rocks another goal

"That's why he's one of our captains," Humitz said "He does things that don't always show up on the score sheet"

CHRISTMAS

FROM PAGE CI

Friends Season 2 on DVD and a DVD player to watch them I guess I need a TV because I don't have one in my room And clothes

Dan Waterstradt, Catholic Central basketball: A point guard and a bunch of CD's

Samantha Brand, Thurston swimming coach: I really don't need anything I have my friends, I have a boyfriend and I have my family On the other hand, a day at the spa would be nice

Brett Steele, Redford Union athletic director and basketball coach: A safe and prosperous holiday season for everyone involved with the athletic department

Marco DiMichele, Garden City football, basketball and baseball: A new car I'm going to college and I need a new car to get me there and come home And new clothes, a new glove - a Greg Maddox 2001 and some spending money

Shawn Meyers, Redford Union basketball and baseball: Three wins for our varsity basketball team (Translation He wanted the Panthers to beat Thurston on Friday night

John Mulroy, Catholic Central football and basketball: I'm getting a state championship ring (from football) for Christmas Is that alright?

Carlos Alfaro, Garden City golf and basketball: Playstation 2 and a lot of money to spend on Spring Break in Panama City Beach, Fla I guess I'd be happy to have the Playstation

Adam Krozek, St. Agatha basketball and baseball: I got the car, so I don't have to worry about that Just money

Robert Ficano Jr., Catholic Central track and cross country: I'd like all "A's" on the finals I just took. I hope I get it, but I wouldn't mind my 1993 Lumina turning into a Mustang Since it won't happen, I'll settle for Tom Petty memorabilia

Bryan Rizzo, Madonna University athletic director: A national championship We've been so close, we've gotten to the NAIA semifinals twice

Al White, Madonna University softball coach: A pitcher I'm hoping she'll be coming through that door (outside the Madonna gym) in about 10 minutes

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FROM PAGE C1

Zebras, led by Raspberry with 19 points Genois Safford netted 13, McClain finished with 12 and Darre Johnson scored

For Salem, Hoskins led all scorers with 30 points Davis had 10 and Dominique Washington netted eight

"Generally, we've used that to our advantage this year," said Wayne coach Wayne Woodard of his team's balanced attack "We don't have a lot of superstars But tonight, in the first half I thought we were a little selfish We talked that over at halftime

'Hopefully, we learned from

The reason wasn't necessarily what team opposing Wayne on the floor, but who was in the stands Central Michigan coach Jay Smith, there to see Hoskins (they talked after the game) That distraction apparently caused a few of the Zebras to lose their focus

They relocated it in the second half, using some full-court pressure to wreak havoc with Salem The Rocks committed a whopping 28 turnovers in the game, Wayne had 18

"We haven't used the press that much this year," said Woodard "I just figured, let's try and turn it up here and see if we can force some turnovers"

The other significant factor was free-throw shooting. The Zebras converted 15-of-18 tries (83 3 percent), Salem was 7-of-17 (41 2 percent)

"Give the credit to Wayne," Brodie said "Every possession is so critical in a game like this Taking care of the ball (is so important) They beat us fundamentally And they outhustled us"

Then Brodie added, "We could have folded any time, when we kept falling behind in a hostile gym, but we battled right to the end"

Without saying it, the impression was Brodie knew his team was capable of a much better performance However, take note WLAA teams especially those unfamiliar with the Zebras

"We dıdn't play our best," Woodard said "Hopefully, we can play better down the road I figure (the Rocks) feel they can play better, too"

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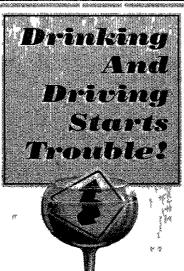
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Marmion has what many would consider the perfect Not just

because he spends more time than most on the golf course although that would certainly describe a perfect job for some – but because his schedule at

Fieldstone affords Marmion the opportunity to pursue his other passions hunting and fishing

Marmion was born with golf in his blood, but hunting and fishing have also been life-long passions His father, Al. ran the Redford Golf Course back in the 1960s and is presently the golf pro at San Marino in Farmington Hills

The younger Marmion earned his PGA card in 1991 after graduating from the professional golf management program at Ferris State University While he thoroughly enjoys the game of golf, Marmion is equally pleased his job duties don't interfere with his ability to hunt white-tailed deer and wild turkeys and fish for river-run steelhead

"Hunting and fishing have been life-long passions, Marmion said "My grandfather, Harry, used to hunt and fish a ton, and my dad did a little, too I learned it from them"

An avid hunter until his death, Harry Marmion died at

BASEBALL TRYOUTS

age 75 while field dressing a deer on opening day "He died doing what he loved to do," Marmion said "That's not all bad'

Marmion went on his first hunting trip to Indian River when he was 16 and still

remembers the trip vividly "I missed an 8-point," he said "They gave me an old German gun and I clicked the safety the wrong way He was only about three feet away, but I couldn't

Marmion has made up for that miscue some 20 times over the years, including this past season when he tagged an 8point and a 5-point from his blind in the Thumb

"Deer hunting, by far, is my favorite I enjoy that more than anything and it works out almost perfectly for me (At Fieldstone) we're starting to wind down in the fall after workıng 70-hour weeks all summer I'm able to take a couple weeks off in October and November, so it works out great."

But that vacation time off is starting to wear a little thin Marmion picked up on spring turkey hunting four years ago, and started river steelhead fishing two years ago

"I'm really just getting started (steelheading)," he said "I've hooked a lot of fish, but they're hard to land in a river

With winter here and the golfing season completed, Marmion stays busy at Fieldstone making plans and preparations for the 2003 golfing season But if he turns up absent some Friday or Monday, you might want to check the Pere Marquette River

"I like to steelhead all winter," said Marmion, who also

admitted that he's in the market for a riverboat "When April comes around we start getting busy at Fieldstone, so I don't have as much time to fish,

And the turkeys start gobbling in April, too

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

It is interesting to note that your two solutions to the CC "problem" involve restricting the private schools Is it just possible that the solution is to open access to public schools?

Open up public schools

Yes, my son went to CC no, he didn't play sports We determined that CC was the best environment for him to prosper and grow in, and I suspect that the athletes who attend CC have the

same motivation I firmly believe that all schools should compete for students based on the results of their programs, and on what they can offer the student just as colleges do We need a totally new way of funding education so that all parents can "spend" their school tax dollars where they want, and not be forced into choices over which they have no con-

but it is one worth tackling If Plymouth-Canton and other "public" schools could draw from anywhere, no school like CC would dominate forever eventually a degree of parity would be reached

trol I'm not saying that this is a simple challenge,

Larry Phipps Plymouth

CC: Traveling show

I agree with your (and Coach Baechler's) views others formed to educate people on CC football Actually, CC has admitted as much about their sports program with their having to go outside the area (actually the state) to find competition for their hockey team. I bet if it wasn't so expensive to travel, the football team would compete outside the area as well

> **Peter Dale** Livonia

Leave out Herrington

You had a chance to really strike a blow here Why did you bring Coach Herrington into it? You gave people another chance to accuse him of recruiting because you lumped him into this fray

I've have coached side-by-side with John for over 20 years His integrity is only overshadowed by his humility JOHN HERRINGTON DOESN T

RECRUIT AND NEVER HAS!

Why do some people, when given a choice, buy a Cadıllac? Because of the quality! People have moved into the Harrison attendance district because of football, because of math/science, because of diversity, because of band, or because of a combination of many things

You owe him some "grubber" work. Why don't you ask Mill Coleman about how he came to Harrison, or Drew Stanton, or Dave Conden: The Condenis presently have three daughters playing basketball and volleyball at Harrison You could put an end to that nasty rumor with some good, old-fashioned journalism. This is the way John needs to head toward the end of the most marvelous coaching career in high school sports in

By the way, you forgot solution C to the inequity of private schools — they have their own "class" in the state tournament! The private school inequity really strikes the 'minor" sports (read any girls, wrestling, hockey, etc) than they do the major sports How about DePorres posing as Class C, or VI, or D, etc., with Class A (or I) material?

Be the guy that finally settles the John Herrington legacy and put the final decoration on his statue

> Mike Teachman Farmington Harrison

It's not about athletics

I just read C J Risak's article about Redford CC and other private schools having the playing field tilted in their favor because they can recruit. If this were truly the case, wouldn't all private schools have dominant athletic programs? Wouldn't my son's school, little (Westland) Huron Valley Lutheran High School, have won every basketball game they played last season, even though they don't even have a gym on campus (they lost every game last year, by the way)?

Private schools, especially parochial schools, recruit students, not athletes Parents that send their kids to these schools are motivated by many reasons, the least of which are athletic programs It's time for everyone to understand that

Eric Dorow

CANTON

FROM PAGE C1

Canton also shot well at the free throw line, something that the Chiefs have not been doing Against Brighton, they hit 24-of 30 (80 percent), the Bulldogs were 13-of-20 (65 percent)

Canton will be idle through the holidays, its next game not until Friday, Jan 3, when it opens its Western Lakes Activities Association season at Northville

Canton Agape 66 Ypsilanti Calvary 62 Charlie Henry sco ed 38 points 18 in the third qualter to lead host Canton Agape Christian to v ctory over Yps lant Calvary Chr stian Academy

Thursday

The Wolverines run their record to 31 while Calvary drops to 5 2

Agape trailed after the first quarter 15 14 and at the half 27 25 Then in the third quarter the Woiverines lit up Calvary for 24 points. Henry was 6 of 9 from the field in the quarter

He was in a zone Agape coach Chuck Henry said. It seemed like everything he shot just

Calvary had the size advantage but the Wolverines made each shot count. They hit eight three pointers six by Henry

Calvary was led by Matt Young and Nathan Penley with 19 and 17 points respectively

We got hurt by the risize. Henry said. They got a lot of offensive rebounds Agape's third quarter offensive blitz gave it a

t was a cose game the whole way. Henry said. It was a fun game to be in and a fun game.

49 47 lead with one quarter to go

These are the kinds of games you're looking

for as a coach. They help your team grow. We had some kids come off the bench and play bet ter under the pressure The fourth quarter came down to one crucial

play made by Charlie Henry With Agape up by two points with 30 seconds left to play. Henry stole the ball at mid court and

took it to the hoop to seal the victory You go with the kids that can handle the pressure his father and coach said

Light and Life 58 PCA 46 At halftime of Friday's game at Plymouth Christian Academy the Eagles led Taylor Light and Life 30 26 in the second half PCA managed just 16 points Light and Life scored 32

PCA fell to 0.2 The Crusaders improved to 4

Ben Pew led the Eagles with 13 points 12 coming in the first half Clay Welton netted 12 (10 in the first haif) and Dan Cality scored 10

Light and Life got 17 points from Wendel Claxton 14 from Nate Ryan and 10 from Kyle

SPORTS ROUNDUP

non-residents, for under-9 and

older divisions, the cost is \$55 The Michigan Indians 10year-old travel baseball team is conducting tryouts the first two

weeks of January Players must be born after July 31, 1992 to be eligible There is no residency require-

The team will play in the Little Caesar's Baseball League (considered the best in the The league schedule will be

approximately 20-25 games The team will also play in several weekend tournaments For specific tryout times and locations, contact Gegatic

Williams at (313) 690-1104 or Dan Trublowski at (734) 459-

YOUTH SOCCER SIGN-UP

The city of Plymouth's Recreation Division will accept spring youth soccer registrations from 8 a.m to 4 30 pm Monday-Friday, throughout the month of January at the recreation office, which is in the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer St, Plymouth

All registrations require a birth certificate The fee for under-6 through under-8 years divisions is \$50 for city of Plymouth residents and \$70 for and 6-7 year-olds, will teach the

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■ Kicks with Kids, for 4-5

basics plus the proper techniques for turning with the ball and volleys Skill Acceleration Camp is

for 8 9 10 11 and 12 15 year olds This clinic focuses on one on-one moves to beat an oppo nent, combination passing and vollevs ■ Striker Camp participants

will work on shooting drills, including volleys, side-volleys and creating space with and without the ball Striker camp is available for 9-12 year olds **■** Goalkeeper Camp teaches

advanced goalkeeping techniques to 9-12 year olds and includes shot-stopping and ball distribution and is intended to increase skills and develop technical awareness ■ The Women's Clinic con-

centrates on the basic skills of

soccer, building a strong foundation of dribbling, passing and

receiving, and shooting This

program is designed for the beginning to intermediate play-All the above clinics begin with instruction and end with a

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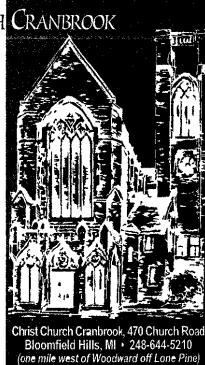
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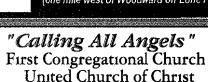
CHRIST CHURCH CRANBROOK CHRISTMAS WORSHIP

Tuesday, December 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE** 8 and 11 p m

Musical preludes with carillon, the choir, brass, flute, and organ begin at 7.30 & 10 30 p m. Nursery care provided

Wednesday, December 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY** 10 a m





1315 North Pine Street, Rochester, MI **CHRISTMAS EVE** Lessons and Carols with Reverend Dr David Wheeler Tuesday December 24

5 p m Candlelight Service with Children's Choirs 7 p m Candlelight Service with Youth Choirs 11 pm Candlelight Service with Adult Choirs F rst Congrega onal practices open ommun on and s vince that raccess ble Ch d care s prov ded for all serv ces For further information call church office 248 651 6225 or www.fccrochester.org



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10 00 a m Lessons and Carols with communion



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December 24

December 25

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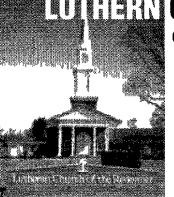
December 31 11:30 pm January 1 9 am & 11 am

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Special Christmas Message by Dr William C Moore



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Christmas Liturgy Dec 24 - 4 00, 6 00, 9 00pm

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Wednesday, Dec 25

9 00 am Mass New Year's Eve - The 12 00 am

Tuesday, Dec 31

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10 30 am Confessions Wednesday 11 00 am Mass



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4:30 p.m. Mass (Church) and 10 00 p m CHRISTMAS DAY - Wednesday - Dec 25th - 10 30 a m Mass

SATURDAY - Dec. 28th - 430 pm Mass

SUNDAY - Dec. 29th - 8.30 and 10 30 a m Mass NEW YEAR'S DAY - Wednesday - Jan. 1st - 10.30 a m Mass

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New Year s Mass 10 00 am



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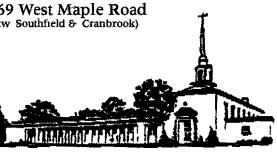
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Evangelical Presbyterian Church 40000 6 Mile Road, Northville 248-374-7400

CHRISTMAS EVE

CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

December 24, 2002 4:00, 5:30, 7:00 and 11:00 p.m.

Regular Sunday Services

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Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church

9601 Hubbard at West Chicago Ave. Livonia, MI 48150

Pastors: Rev. Richard Peters and Rev. Kelly Bohlman

CHRISTMAS SUNDAY SERVICES

Sunday Worship Services - December 22 Contemporary Service 9 00 AM Traditional Service 10 30 AM Featuring selections from THE MESSIAH Handel

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Children's Christmas Concert - 4 40 PM Family Service - 5 00 PM elight Communion Service - 10 00 PM

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December 22

First Presbyterian Church ~ Plymouth Church & Main Streets - 734 453 6464 Regular Sunday Worship Services

8 30, 9 30 and 11 00 a m Christmas Cantata Dec 15th, all services

Christmas Eve Services

3 00 p m Puppet's Service (childcare available) 5 00 p m Children's Christmas Pageant (childcare available) 8 00 & 11 00 p m Candlelight Service of Lessons & Carols December 29th Sunday Service 10 00 a m only



Garden City Presbyterian Church

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Christmas Eve Candlelight Services 8:00 and 10:00 PM

Sunday Services at 10:00 AM Communion will be served at the 10:00 service

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Christmas Sunday - December 22 8.15. 9:30 and 11:00 a m. Sunday Night Alive - 5.00 p m.

Dr William A Ritter preaching Christmas Eve Services

4.00 p m. for Families with Young Children 5 30 p m for Families with Elementary Children

7 00, 9.00 and 11 00 p.m Christmas Lessons and Carols Holy Communion at 7 00 and 11 00 Nursery Care at 7 00

Dr William A Ritter preaching



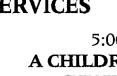
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CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHTING SERVICES, December 24

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9 00 p m - Worship Service of Lessons & Carols

11 00 p m - Worship Service of Lessons, Carols and Holy Communion

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930 am 11 00 a m

700 pm

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<u>Christmas Eve</u> December 24 2002 5 00 p m

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11 00 p m The Choral Eucharist

Christmas Day December 25 2002 10 00 a m Holy Eucharist

Sunday after Christmas December 29 2002

8 00 a m Holy Eucharist 10 00 a m Service of Lessons & Carols

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5 PM Sunday School Pageant and Dinner 7 00 PM Organ Recital and Carols 7 30 PM Holy Commun on Eab's ng Pro ded 10 30 PM Special Music and Carols 11 00 PM Vidn ght Mass

Christmas Day Wednesday, December 25 10 A M Holy Communion

December 29 7 45 A M Service of Christmas Lessons and Carols 10 00 A M Service of Lessons and Carol

(N of G nd R ver W of Far n n iton Rd) Farmington MI 48335 (248) 474 6880 Christmas Eve 8 pm

Candlelight with Communion

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Farmington First United Methodist Church 33112 Grand River (E. of Farmington Rd) • 474-6573

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Experience God in a New Way this Christmas Eve Join us this Christmas Eve to Celebrate the Birth of Christ

> Family Service - 4 30 PM Candlelight 8 PM & 10 PM



Dr Klump s Sermon title for Sunday December 29th "When the Angels Have Gone"



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Health

Gift of health

Give yourself the gift of health this Christmas - a flu shot Getting the flu shot now protects you from get ting the flu later and spread ing it to your loved ones

'The flu is no laughing mat ter It can lead to pneumonia hospitalization and death When you get the flu you put everyone near you in danger of getting sick especially the elderly said Marie Beisel proj ect manager for the Michigan Peer Review Organization

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) complica tions from the flu kill more than 20 000 Americans each year and cause more than 100 000 people to be hospi talized The licensed flu vac cine used in the United States is made from inactivated or killed influenza viruses it cannot cause influenza infec tion or influenza illness according to the CDC

Anyone who would like to protect themselves from the flu should get the vaccination - especially people 65 years or older and those who have health problems such as heart disease kidney disease diabetes asthma or other lung disease said Beisel

Talk to your physician today about getting the flu shot and staying healthy for the holidays

Medicare help

Senior citizens with Medicare questions and con cerns can get assistance through Beaumont Hospital's Department of Older Adult Services The department's staff of trained retired volun teers can provide individual counseling on Medicare supplemental policies and long term insurance

Call Beaumont's toll free Senior Resource Line at (800) 328 2241 8 30 a m to 4 om Monday through Friday for an appointment with a Medicare counselor

Angioplasty

More physician experience and technological advances have produced a 10 fold drop in emergency bypass sur gery following angioplasty researchers reported in the Oct 14 rapid access issue of Circulation Journal of the **American Heart Association**

It is routine to have a sur gical team on standby in case complications arise during an angioplasty proce dure which involves the insertion of a balloon tipped catheter into a narrowed artery then inflating the bal loon to reopen the vessel

'Emergency coronary artery bypass surgery is associated with a significant risk of in hospital complica tions and death said study author Patrick L Whitlow director of intervention cardi ology at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland

In a survey of medical records of 18 593 Cleveland Clinic patients who had angio plasty procedures from 1992 2000 Whitlow found a signif icant decline in the prevalence of emergency bypass surgery from 1.5 percent in 1992 to 014 percent in 2000 more than a 10 fold decline

Researchers also found that patients who need emergency bypass were more likely to be female have complex artery blockage or be undergoing angioplasty because of a heart attack Patients who had prior bypass operation received stents or were given anti clotting drugs called platelet glycoprotein inhibitors were less likely to require emergency bypass surgery

PEDIATRIC MYOCARDIIS FALLOUT FROM INFECTION

'Parents should draw from past experiences of illness in their child and should seek help if a particular illness is not following the 'usual course' according to what they have seen in their child during previous bouts with illness. It is important to remember that most cases of myocarditis are thought to be subclinical, that is without symptoms, and without permanent damage."

Dr Robert Gajarski University of Michigan pediatric cardiologist

BY CATHY O'DONAHUE CORRESPONDENT

hen 17-month-old Ian Mills (not his real name) arrived at Ann Arbor's University of

Michigan Hospital emergency room, he was gray in color, had trouble breathing and such difficulty catching his breath he couldn't speak. Before their child's

trip to the ER, Ian's parents recalled he had briefly experienced a cough and runny nose, but instead of getting better, the child's health worsened As Ian labored to breathe, couldn't eat and grew pale in color, his parents realized he had something more than the common cold

Ians condition quickly deteriorated. and through several tests and a physical examination by U-M ediatric cardiologist Dr Robert Gajarski, the

toddler was diagnosed with myocarditis An inflammation of the heart muscle or myocardium, myocarditis can result from many underlying causes including viral, bacterial or fungal infection, and inflammatory disease of the body such as rheumatoid arthritis, lupus, rheumatic fever and others

DIFFICULT TO DIAGNOSE

Because it can be caused by so many

things and mimic other diseases, myocarditis is difficult to diagnose, yet a common cause is viral infection. There are degrees of seventy to the illness that depend on the exact cause, but it is thought that myocardi-

tis often manifests in such a subtle way the patient may not even notice it, a state termed "subclinical" Other times, symptoms can be remarkable as illustrated by Ian's case, and may also include fever, rash, diarrhea, pain in the chest and dizziness or feeling faint. "Ian's heart looked very bıg," saıd Gajarskı, also director of U-M's Pediatric Heart Transplant Program, and the chambers of his heart (which pump

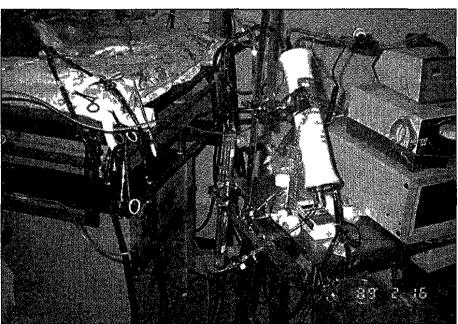
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blood throughout the

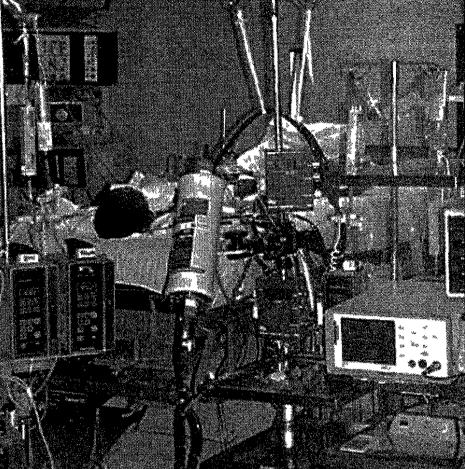
ach bug, and the child seemed to be better then got worse agam, you can sur mise you're dealing with myocarditis"

EXTENSIVE TESTING

To diagnose myocarditis, one can expect tests including a chest X-ray, EKG, and echocardiogram, which is an ultrasound of the heart, as well as blood work to help identify certain viruses It's helpful in terms of treatment to know the possible underlying cause Gajarski said there are newer techniques such as "PCR" (polymerase chain reaction) tests



The machine offers temporary life support to this infant patient



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A child is helped with the mechanical heart ECMO equipment

that help identify particular viruses related to myocarditis In some cases, if a child shows absolutely no improvement, cardiac catheterization to biopsy heart tissue may be necessary

Usually there is some sort of heart failure There will be fatigue and respiratory distress, all depending on how severe it is Typically, pulmonary (lung and breathing) issues lead to the discovery of myocarditis," said pediatric ologist Dr Tom Forbes, of Detroit Children's Hospital

Myocarditis may also show up after a gastro-intestinal "bug" In approximately 50 percent of the cases, patients will report a past upper respiratory infection

Another symptom of some cases of myocarditis, according to Forbes, is arrhythmia, or irregular heart beat While the patient may have good heart function overall, an arrhythmia may manifest while doing strenuous exercise that stresses the heart Some types of arrhythmias may be relatively benign while others can lead to death

AFFECTS ALL AGES

No particular age groups are at greater risk for myocarditis, said Forbes. In terms of prognosis, he added "It can be looked at in 'thirds' One-third get better, one-third stay the same, with mild to moderate heart failure and are managed medically, and one-third get worse In a very severely ill patient, myocarditis can quickly proceed to death"

Gajarski added that a small percentage of patients, perhaps 20-30 percent depending on the cause of the infection, "will remain ill, get sick, end up on ECMO or have to be transplanted because their heart simply doesn't recover The ones we transplant are the ones that either do not get better in the hospital, and it's clear that's their only hope of survival Or, they get transiently better

PLEASE SEE MYOCARDITIS, C8

ECMO

ECMO which stands for Extra Corporeal (outside the body) Membrane Oxygenation (synonymous with ECLS Extracorporeal Life Support) is a mechanical support system for the heart. It is sometimes referred to as a heart-lung machine From Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

ECMO helps do the work of the heart and lungs in order to provide the patient time to heal. The ECMO machine is composed of a pump an artificial lung, a blood warmer and an arterial filter. The ECMO machine takes the blue blood (without oxygen) out of the right side of the heart and pumps it through the artificial lung (oxygenator) The blood is now red blood (with oxygen) This blood is warmed and filtered before returning to the child

- For an interactive Web site that describes in detail ECMO, visit http://www.choa.org/library/ecmo/im ages/ecmo htm#
- For U-M's "Family Guide to Neonatal ECMO" visit http://www.med.umich.edu/ecmo/neo _fam_guide html
- For pediatric transplant information, visit http://www.uchospitals edu/pedstransplant/resources html

Hormone replacement therapy is a personal choice

hen it comes to hormone replacement therapy, the answer is always one of personal choice The key to making the appropriate decision is based on both the knowledge of what menopause represents in terms of its potential impact on health, quality of life and sexuality and an understanding how hormone replacement options differ in their potential benefits and risks

Without this knowledge, a woman cannot effectively participate in her own health care decisions She becomes the passive recipient of her doctor's store of knowledge and individual bias

Acquiring the necessary information may be difficult, as the physician is the source a woman usually turns to for



Dr Jerry Nosanchuk

information Doctors may have scant knowledge of the menopausal process, its global nature, or the extent of its potential impact on health and quality of life In addition, most physicians are not aware of what constitutes an optimum hormone replacement regimen

MENOPAUSE 101

A "natural menopause" is characterized by cessation of the monthly menstrual cycle and occurs because of an expected



age-related failure of the ovaries to continue to produce estradiol, the biologically active form of estrogen Most often, this will occur between the ages of 48-52 It is the rise in the estradiol level at puberty that is responsible for the physical and mental metamorphosis from a young girl to an adult female This includes all the changes that that we

characterize as "secondary sexual characteristics"

An early or "premature menopause" is one that occurs prior to age 40 and can be the result of genetic factors or autoimmune processes An "induced menopause" can be due to surgical removal of the ovaries with or without a hysterectomy, by chemotherapy or radia-

After menopause, estradiol concentrations in the blood fall to their prepubertal level The hormonally dependent tissues that have relied on estradiol for their support begin to regress and their ability to function optimally is compromised

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JANUARY

Diabetic Self Management Series A four part program that provides dia

betics with all the information needed to manage diabetes is scheduled from 79 pm Jan 6 13 20 and 27 Cost is \$50 per person

On the first Thursday of every month from 7 9 pm is the Support group for Diabetics Cost is free Upcoming sub jects are New Year - New Start! Are Your Numbers Where They Should Be? On Jan 2 Eye Disease and The Diabetic Feb 6 and The Latest Information on Diabetes Care and Research March 6 Both programs are through Crittenton

Hospital Call (248) 652 5269 Baby-sitting crash course

For many teen agers baby sitting is a way to earn extra money Of course it also comes with much responsibility Crittenton Hospital Medical Center offers the Safe Baby Sitters program from 9 a m to 1 p m on Jan 4 Feb 1 and March 1

The four hour class covers the basic skills of baby sitting children from infancy up to pre teen years Students learn how to help a choking child dia per a baby and basic first aid. Through role play they learn to call 911 how to handle strangers and how to handle a

Cost is \$25 Baby sitters must be at least 11 years old. A certificate will be given to each who student who completes the class Call (248) 652 5269 to register

Mother's Daughters

To help bridge the generation gap Crittenton Hospital Medical Center offers Mothers and Daughters Exploring Changes 630830 pm Thursday Jan 9 or Jan 16 The pro gram allows families to explore the physical and emotional changes that occur with puberty and is designed for girls ages 9 12 and their moth ers The cost of the program is \$7 per family To register call (248)

SUPPORT GROUPS

Anorexia/Bulimia

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Beaumont Hospital Royal Oak tenth floor classrooms A and B 7 8 30 p m Monday Dec 23 and 30 (248) 551 9790

Parkinson Disease

Meets at St. John Macomb Hospital 2 30 4 p m Thursday Jan 2 (586) 573

Ostomy Support Group

For ostomates and their family mem bers 2 pm Sunday Jan 5 St John Macomb Hospital (586) 779 2306

ONGOING

Prevent Falls

One third of adults over the age of 65 fall each year They are the most fre quent cause of injury related death for seniors Beaumont Hospital's Fall Prevention Program is offered at the Beaumont Health Center 4949 Coolidge Highway - north of 14 Mile Road in Royal Oak It helps people identify environmental and health fac

tors involved in falls and then creates a personalized plan to help individuals reduce these factors

It incorporates physical and occupa tional therapists and some of the goals in the program include dealing with low vision imbalance difficulty walking and overall safety around the home and community

A physical description is required to schedule a preliminary evaluation and for treatment It benefits people who already experienced a fall or have symptoms of staggering dizziness or imbalance that causes them to feel unsafe

For more information call (248)655

Individualized Nutrition Counseling Provided by a registered dietitian

Crittenton Hospital in Rochester coun seling is offered by appointment for needs such as low cholesterol dia betes food allergies basic nutrition vegetarian nutrition special dietary restrictions and much more Fee \$75 for counseling sessions \$20 for fol low up call (248) 652 5630

Self-help groups

Anyone seeking information on a vari ety of self help groups may call the Michigan Self help Clearing House at (877) 777 5556

Together to Share a grief support

group meets 10 a m the first Monday

Bereavement

of each month at American House on Middlebelt Road in Livonia The group meets 3 pm the third Thursday of the month at Dorvin Nursing Center on

Middlebelt Road in Livonia Both groups are facilitated by a bereave ment coordinator from Heartland Hospice in Southfield Call (800) 770

Blood Pressure Checks

Crittenton Hospital offers blood pres sure checks 9 II a m on the first Friday of each month in the front lobby 1101 W University Drive in Rochester no charge

Overeaters Anonymous

Support group for overeaters meets 7 pm every Friday at Providence Park Novi 47601 Grand River Avenue Novi HelpLine (313) 438 HELP or (248) 474

Schizophrenics Anonymous

A self help support group for persons with schizophrenia or related disor ders meets 13 pm every Friday at St John's Episcopal Church 26998 Woodward Ave Royal Oak For more information call Laura (248) 737 1956 or Nora (248) 548 4402

Tremor Disorder Support

Shari Finsilver of Orchard Lake leads a local support group for those who suf fer from Essential Tremor a debilitat ing and incurable movement disorder The group meets 7 8 30 pm on the second Thursday of the month at Temple Israel 5725 Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield and draws up to 40 participants ranging in age from 10 to 80 at each meeting. For more informa tion contact Finsilver at (248) 683 4138 or Finsilver@ earthlink net or visit www.tremorsupport.com To learn more about the International Tremor

Foundation visit www essential tremor org or call (888) 387 3667 **Prostate Cancer Support Group** Facilitated by Drs Wery Birch Greski

and Kumar 7 8 p m on the second Tuesday of each month at Crittenton Hospital in Rochester no charge **Emotions Anonymous**

A 12 step program for emotional well ness and learning to live with unsolved problems For more information call (248) 652 5269 Meets 7 8 pm every Tuesday at Crittenton Hospital no charge

Albuterol Products Available

The In Home Rx program makes avail able breathing medications and Nebulizers to patients who have Asthma Emphysema or COPD at no cost if they qualify Albuterol products are provided to those who are trou bled with severe breathing conditions and meet additional guidelines of the program If you are an oxygen user at home or have severe problems with breathing call (800) 344 5764 or visit www.inhomerx.com for more informa tion The Home Rx programs main pur pose is to develop public awareness that there are assistance options that allow those troubled by severe breath ing problems to remain independent in their own homes

Spanish speaking seniors

The Foster Grandparent Program of Oakland County is seeking Spanish speaking people 60 and older to help troubled and needy Hispanic children Foster grandparents are asked to commit 20 hours a week. They serve teen

parents children who have been neg lected and/or abused children with developmental disabilities physically and/or mentally impaired children and children who are academically disadvantaged Benefits include a small stipend supplemental accident and liability insurance and mileage reimbursement if you're interested call Gladys at (248) 559-1147 Ext 3707

Amputees are Amazing Meets 2 3 pm on the fourth Tuesday

of the month at Providence Hospital Southfield (248) 849-5802

Cancer Support Group A general cancer support group for adult cancer patients and significant others 11 am to 12 30 pm on the second and fourth Wednesday of every month Providence Hospital Southfield (248) 849 5543

Caregiver Support Provides information on a variety of topics concerning caregivers and care receivers as well as mutual support Meets 1 p m on the second Thursday of the month 7 p m on the third Monday of the month 24400 Civic Center Drive Southfield Registration required call toll free (877) 345 5500

The Michigan/Indiana Lupus Foundation Support group meets 6 30 p m second Thursday of every month Southfield DePaul Center Cafeteria Room A For specific information contact the MI/IN Lupus Foundation at (800) 705 6677 or visit www.milupus.org

Lupus

MYOCARDITIS

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then worse again, and their symptoms cannot be controlled with medical therapy Then

there is no other option" Treatment for myocarditis is aimed at supporting the child while the body takes care of the infection, and bed rest has been shown to be effective in halting the growth of viruses Treatment varies according to severity In mild cases, rest may be all that is needed, while in more severe cases, anti-inflammatory drugs such as aspirin or steroids may be used Intravenous medications are also employed to improve the heart's pumping efficiency and support kidney function In a severely compromised patient, hospitalization with use of a ven tilator may be necessary and ECMO (see related story) or a heart transplant may be needed

PARENTS CAUTIONED

Gajarski cautions parents not to become overly concerned or worned about the prospect of myocarditis following colds or flu and explained that even when a child gets one of these illnesses, it doesn't mean he or she is automatically at risk for getting myocarditis

While a physician in Texas, Gajarski studied records of emergency room admissions over a 20-year period involving just children with a cardiac diagnosis The incidence of myocarditis that required admission and therapy was very low

Myocarditis is a fairly rare problem,' he said The cases that get medical attention are much less than 1 percent'

At what point during a child's illness should a parent suspect something further? Gajarski said parents should note when the child who has been sick then gets better starts feeling worse again

'When this child finds it hard to breathe, is coughing, looking worse, and not active, something may be going on," said Gajarski

Parents should draw from past experiences of illness in their child and should seek help if a particular illness is not following the "usual course' according to what they have seen in their child during previous bouts with illness It is important to remember that most cases of myocarditis are thought to be subclinical, that is without symptoms, and without permanent damage

Ian Mills, Gajarski s patient described at the beginning of this story, began to worsen and required ECMO treatment Yet, a happy ending for Ian and his family occurred three weeks after he was listed on the heart transplant list when he received a heart You can hear the hap piness in Gajarski s voice when he states his little patient is doing well now

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Virtually every organ system is affected, including the vagina, bladder, brain, skin, skeleton and cardiovascular

HORMONE DEFICIENT

Many women think in terms of "going through menopause" What they usually mean is that they have stopped having symptoms such as hot flashes, sweats and insomnia However, unless a menopausal woman chooses to use hormone replacement she will spend the remainder of her life in a hormone-deficient state The central issue for most menopausal women is whether to use hormone replacement

Menopause assuming it is a natural menopause - 1s nor mal There is no right choice

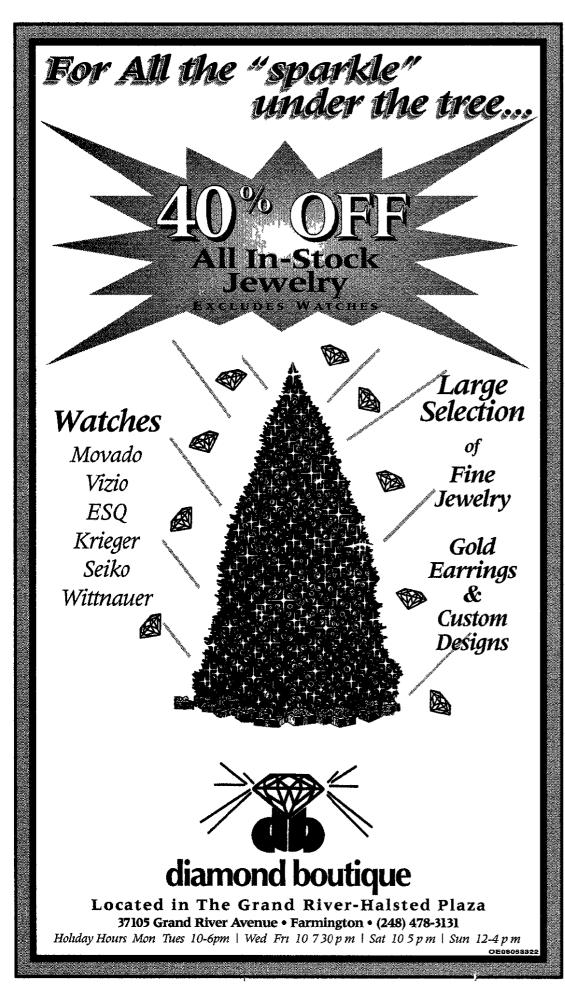
for everyone Whether a woman chooses to live in a hormone- deficient state or use hormone replacement is a personal decision In most cases, menopausal symptoms such as hot flashes, sweats and insomnia will disappear within two years However, long-term consequences of estrogen deficiency cannot be predicted on an individual basis, but many women on the surface do not seem to be affected

If a woman has experienced a premature or induced menopause, the effects are magnified Those who have had their ovaries removed are at greatest risk of osteoporosis, cardiovascular disease and atrophic changes of the vagina, urinary system and skin especially when this occurs prior to an expected natural menopause

Women who choose to use hormone replacement have a better quality of life, according

to a recent poll conducted by The Gallup Organization. This is not meant to imply that postmenopausal women who are not on hormone replacement are incapable of a fulfilling life and sexual experience They are capable of both We have all heard about "Aunt Sadie" who never touched a hormone, or any other medication for that matter, yet lived to age 94, remained "sharp as a tack," had a sexually satisfied boyfriend 30 years younger, drove a car every day and mowed her own lawn However, the point is that it is unlikely that anyone, regardless of gender, can function optimally in a hormonally deficient state

This is the second article in a threepart series on HRT and menopause by Dr Jerry Nosanchuk a physician who specializes in the care and treatment of menopausal women. His practice is located in Bingham Farms. Contact him at (248) 644 7200





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Beaumont physical therapist urges tummy time for babies

Beaumont Hospital's Physical Therapy department has taken a campaign to put babies to sleep on their backs one step further Their motto is "back to sleep and front to

That's because putting a baby on his back to sleep is important to prevent sudden infant death syndrome. But if a baby

is on his back all the time, his head tends to roll to one side and torticollis and plagiocephaly can develop, says Doreen Hand, pediatric physical therapist

Torticollis is a tightness of the neck muscles on one side Plagiocephaly refers to an abnormal head shape due to

early, these conditions can be corrected through physical therapy

Hand explains that babies need to be on their tummies while awake in order to develop neck and back muscle strength, not only to prevent tight neck muscles and flattened head Strong muscles are flattening on one side If caught needed for the baby to roll

over, sit up and crawl Hand says shes seen a surge or torticollis in babies over the past several years

Speculation is that this may be due to parents thinking their babies need to be on their backs all the time, not only for sleep but also for play Another theory is that improved prenatal care has led to larger babies

that are crowded in the mother's womb

Whatever the reason, help is available from physical therapists at the Beaumont Health Center, 4949 Coolidge Highway (north of 14 Mile Road) in Royal Oak Call (248) 655-5660 for more information or

an appointment A physical therapist usually

baby and his works with a parent or caregiver one or two times a week for 45-60 minutes The therapist provides the parent of caregiver with exercise instructions to develop the baby's neck muscles as well as tips such as putting rolled up towels on either side of the baby in his car seat to prevent head rolling

Debtors Anonymous provides hope, recovery

Debting is more than sensationalized shopping It can cripple and ruin someone's life But there is hope for people who debt, overspend or underearn - or whose problem has caused suffering in their lives or the lives of other

Anonymity, dignity and solvency are the watchwords of Debtors Anonymous (D A), a fellowship of men and women who share their experiences, strengths and hopes with each other to solve their common problem and help others to recover from what D.A. calls "compulsive debting"

"Debt is like alcohol for the alcoholic, food for the compulsive eater and gambling for the compulsive gambler," says member Michael B "Some members come to their first DA meeting thousands of dollars in debt to credit cards, student loans or family members, feeling that life is unmanageable

Member Diane L comments "Other members are not necessarily in debt, but have no control over their spending Still others are capable of earning, but find themselves in underpaying situations that cause financial difficulties

According to D.A., some compulsive debtors have fallen into unhealthy patterns of spending Compulsive spenders shower themselves with things they neither need nor want at times when they feel needy or lacking They spend impulsively, incur debt, feel guilty, promise never to do it again, and only repeat the same cycle the next time the feeling of "not enough" arose

"I overspent, had nothing to show for it

and wondered where all the money went," said member Marianne B

DESTRUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP

Basically, those who find themselves in D.A have a destructive relationship with money that they want to change They do this by attending D.A meetings, reading DA literature, seeking the advice of program sponsors and following the 12 steps and tools of the program

Working this program takes willingness and honesty, key words to recover,' says Michael B 'Many D A s get out of debt, stay out of debt, and live prosperous and happy lives, all because they 'work the program It works when you work it, one day at a time"

Some people in Debtors Anonymous believe D.A is the 'best kept secret' The organization was established in 1976 when a few people got together to discuss their money issued in a New York City church Today there are more than 400 DA meetings in 12 countries and on six continents, including several specialized Business Owners Debtors Anonymous meetings, which address the needs of business owners and the self-employed

Contact Debtors Anonymous for meeting locations and literature at the DA General Service Office, PO Box 920888, Needham, MA 02492-0009 For Michigan meetings, call (734) 489 0252 or visit www debtorsanonymous org

Simple activities during pregnancy may prevent urinary incontinence

U-M researchers are looking at the effectiveness of simple, free activities during pregnancy and childbirth to prevent mid-life urinary inconti-

The study, which is recruiting participants, eventually will include 400 women in their first pregnancy, working with them throughout pregnancy and following them for at least one year after birth

Research has shown that giving birth vaginally can increase a woman's risk of suffering from unwanted urine loss About 10 million women 25 and older suffer from urinary incontinence, according to the American Urological Association It's an embarrassing condition that can lead to social isolation and depression, said Carolyn Sampselle, associate dean for research at

the U-M School of Nursing Sampselle helped launch the Promoting Effective Recovery from Labor (PERL) project in 1995 to look at the risk factors in pregnancy that lead to incontinence

Based on that earlier work PERL recently began studying the benefits of spontaneous pushing, following the woman's contractions instead of directions from health professionals, and daily massage of the perineum starting the 34th week of pregnancy to

'The standard expectation is that a woman will have to be told how to push her baby through the birth canal. Why should a woman have to be told how to do this when the process is as natural as a cough or a sneeze?'

Carolyn Sampselle

associate dean for research. University of Michigan School of Nursing

increase the elasticity of tissues surrounding the opening of the vagina In addition, all participants were taught and encouraged to do pelvic muscle exercises

Sampselle hopes the activities will prevent damage to the pelvic floor, a group of muscles that form a sling across the opening of the pelvis and that, among other things, help restrict urine flow out of the bladder The pelvic floor can be stretched or damaged in childbirth, giving women less muscle control to hold back urine

KEGEL EXERCISES

Treatment for incontinence can range from Kegel exercises for the pelvic muscles to surgery but Sampselle hopes prevention will prove easy and successful enough that treat ment isn't necessary as often Women can be reluctant to discuss incontinence with

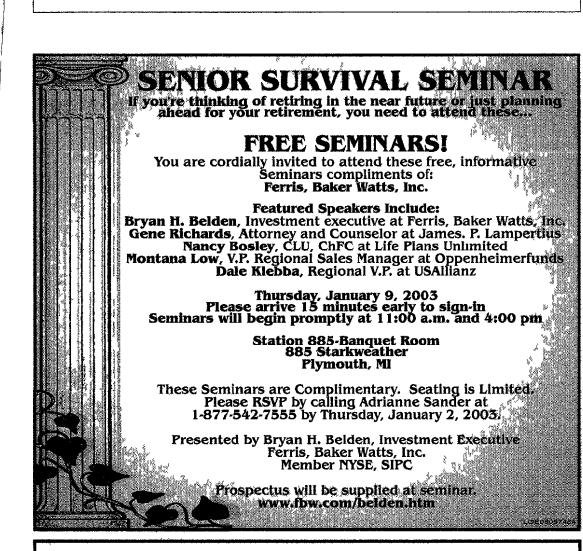
their health care providers, leaving them undiagnosed and untreated

Sampselle, who describes herself as having a feminist understanding of birth, says giving women tools to have a baby in a way that's best for their bodies is empowering

'There's not a lot of confidence that women can do this," she said. 'The standard expectation is that a woman will have to be told how to push her baby through the buth canal Why should a woman have to be told how to do this when the process is as natural as a cough or a sneeze?"

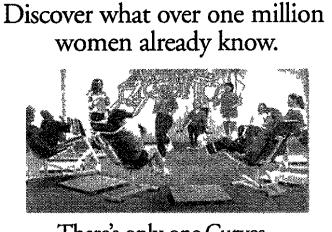
National Institutes of Health is providing \$2 million for the research, to run through 2004

For information about volunteering for the PERL study visit www.nursing umich edu/faculty/sampselle_perl ht mi Volunteers must be planning to give birth at the U M Health System or St Joseph Mercy Hospital





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Eat healthy while doing last-minute shopping

Just because the crunch is on to finish your holiday shopping, don't forget to plan time to eat While walking around a mall is a great way to get some physical activity, there are many tempting restaurants and eateries that can sabotage a healthful eatıng plan

The American Dietetic Association offers the following tips for the busy shopper

- Eat breakfast or a snack before you head out Include plenty of carbohydrate, some protein and a little fat
- Share your food with a friend If you stop for lunch or a snack, cut calories by splitting the food with a
- Don't deprive yourself of your favorites If you crave something sweet, don't worry Walking the mall, carrying packages and parking farther away from entrances will help burn those extra calories
- Make sure to stay hydrated Carry a water bottle with you and drink from it often Try to consume one cup of water every hour
- Get some extra physical activity The average person can burn approximately 200-300 calories per hour during a brisk walk Some shopping centers have designated walking programs and are open to the public before store hours Contact your local mall so you can get in some extra walking before you shop

Weigh these options for a successful diet

If you're hoping to shed some quick fix or long-term pounds in the New Year, but are confused by all the claims of to be true, it probably is various diet books, pills, and programs, you're not alone

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"There are a lot of programs to choose from, but be wary because some can actually cause more harm than good," says registered dietitian Beth Thayer, health promotion coordinator for the Heart Smart program, at the Henry Ford Heart & Vascular Institute

"All you may have to show in the end is a slimmer pocketbook," she says

Thayer suggests considering these questions when selecting a diet program

■ Does the program offer a ity and lifestyle? Or is it so

results? If it sounds too good

- Does it include a wellbalanced diet? Weight loss comes from cutting calories, not cutting entire food groups like some diets, such as Atkins, suggest Limiting or eliminating foods or food groups may lead to nutritional deficiencies
- Does the program have long-term data to support that it works? Ask for real numbers, not just testimoni-
- Does it fit your personal-

restrictive that it will affect your day-to-day interaction with friends and family?

- Does it incorporate physical activity? Diet alone will not yield long-term results
- Is there a maintenance plan included in the price?

"When selecting a diet plan, we can all learn something from the losers - successful weight losers, that is," says Thayer

People who were most successful implemented these weight-loss strategies

■ Realistic goals and incre mental changes Making too many changes all at once or

setting unrealistic goals typically leads to failure If you currently consume 2,500 calories a day, a mere 200 daily calorie cut can theoretically result in a 20-pound weight loss in the course of a year Eliminating 200 calories isn't a huge sacrifice a 20-ounce of soda pop, 20 potato chips or a glazed donut

■ Monitoring system "Successful losers" use a monitoring system, whether it was a weekly trip to the bathroom scale, a daily food journal, or an exercise log People tend to be more committed to their healthy living plan when they have a least one tracking system in place

Exercise National Weight Control Registry members have made physical activity part of their daily life Maintaining a healthy weight means maintaining a healthy lifestyle An exercise program that keeps you moving and a sensible, realistic eating plan are key ingredients in the recipe for a healthier life

"Always consult your doctor or a registered dietitian before embarking on a weight-loss program," says Thayer "This is especially important to anyone being treated for a chronic health condition such as diabetes, heart disease or renal failure

Families adopt med students for in-home education plan

The U-M Medical School is drafting hundreds of experts from a surprising source to teach students next fall - families. Under the auspices of a newly revised curriculum, medical educators are inviting Ann Arbor area families to play an active role in helping first- and second-year medical students learn more about personal and family dynamics and their

effects on health and illness Starting in fall 2003, pairs of first-year medical students will be matched to volunteer families for this innovative two-year program, called the "Family Centered Experience" The families will open their homes and their lives to the students, whose academic assignments will include relationship building, communications skills, and medical and genetic history-

Participating families will serve as an important resource for students to understand how health changes, chronic conditions, and serious illnesses affect patients and those close to them Students will explore important connections between health care and issues such as culture, health beliefs, age, gender, and support systems They will learn about rapport between patients and their physicians

SCIENCE, COMMUNICATION

U-M medical school faculty conceived the program as one of several modules that will help students understand and achieve a competent and comfortable balance among the scientific knowledge, clinical acumen and communication skills that are so vital to high-quality health care First- and secondyear medical students - who will not provide health services in the program - can forge personal relationships with famihes who may be coping with their own illness and other health-related adversities

"As we improve the curriculum to stay out in front of the latest scientific and medical developments, this family-centered experience is a structured way to re-affirm for our medical students the relevance of genetics and environment, and the values of compassion and respect," says Dr Joseph Fantone, associate dean for medical education and professor, Pathology Department

Students and families will get together several times a month As trust is established, the students will observe and ask questions to compile medical and genetic histories of family members Among the learning outcomes for students will be the understanding that many medical conditions - for example, diabetes - aren't cured in a hospital or physician's office Rather, the patient and family learn to cope and adapt around that condition, largely through family dynamics and activities of daily living

During the two-year assignment, students will be encouraged to accompany family members to medical appointments and to shadow patients through the complex maze of diagnostics and therapies (and how these services are paid for) that make up the current American health care delivery

CURRICULUM CHANGES

Meeting patients and famihes in the first weeks of medical school isn't the only change U-M medical students will experi-

ence next fall The curriculum is undergoing other major improvements throughout the entire four-year program

"U-M medical school faculty have for years articulated goals for medical student education that include proficiencies such as independent and critical thinking, reflective judgment, peer and self-assessment skills. and a strong commitment to excellence and lifelong learning," says Fantone

In planning the 2003 curriculum improvements, faculty agreed to design a robust and multi-faceted program that not only embraces these goals, but also provides structured learning opportunities to help students achieve high-level skills and competencies

For example, over the last several years faculty have increased their awareness about how effective learning occurs and the best educational models to support effective learning As a result, the new curriculum continues to emphasize scientific principles. but now medical students will learn these principles through practical application - patient cases - rather than by rote in

the classroom

"These learning modules will be designed to challenge students to synthesize their knowledge and skills and to reflect on what they are learning and how to apply this knowledge to real life, like in making decisions in difficult situations, or delivering difficult news to patients and their families," says Casey White, assistant dean for Medical Education

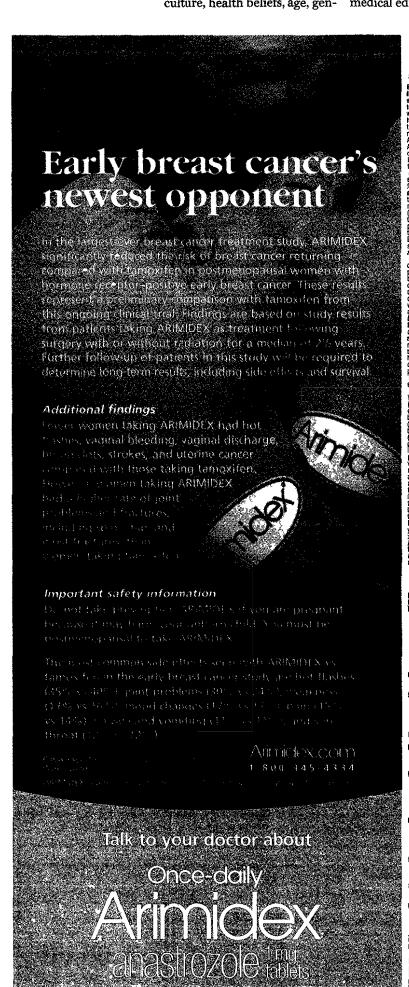
Other changes the faculty are integrating into the new curriculum include expectations that students will take more responsibility for their own learning, and peer teaching in order to foster lifelong learning, which is so vital to physicians working in a discipline where knowledge grows continuously and exponentially

The medical school's new changes in learning contexts, teaching methods, and expectations are designed to maintain the strengths of the U-M's curriculum for the M D degree, and to enhance learning with the ultimate goal of graduating not only well trained, but compassionate physician leaders," says Fantone

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Singers compete for chance to perform commercial jingle

BY CHRISTINE HUGHES CORRESPONDENT

Motown might have moved west long ago, but it didn't take all of metro Detroit's talent

Indeed, something sensational will come out of the Motor City in January, premiering at the Detroit Auto Show Charity Preview and selected from nearly 1,000 entrants in the Mercury Talent Search It will be yet another voice for the Crazy about a Mercury jingle, part of an ad campaign that rolled out in early October featuring commercials currently sung by Aretha Franklin,

Dwight Yokum and Macy Gray In the next round, the voice will belong to Vanessa Johnson of Detroit, who was selected last Wednesday night in Motown's famed Studio A at the Motown Historical Museum — Hitsville, US.A

It wasn't an easy journey, but many made it Dan Carter from Canton and Najette Jasey from Livonia, Crystal Wish Webster from Auburn Hills and Gary Mitchell from Southfield They were among the 25 selected from the hundreds of audio tapes that started coming in when the competition began in mid-November On Dec 16, in the south rotunda of the Somerset Collection, the hopefuls belted out their favorite songs for family, friends, an audience of passing Christmas shoppers and, of course, the judges

"I am satisfied already,' said Gary Mitchell, a retired Detroit fire marshall who says he sings "around the house and in the choir' but never professionally "My wife encouraged me to do this, it's all her doing"

"I'm always saying I'm going to put you in a contest,' his wife Deborah said

So she did and when it was his turn, at the tender age of 50, Mitchell soulfully rendered Pure Imagination with his wife in the front row and lots of fans alongside her Landing the jingle job, which he conceded would be a great gig, was not nearly as exciting to Mitchell as the possibility of actually being

in the Motown studios "That would be the coolest thing!" he said, "To record in the studios of all the Motown idols"

If fame wasn't first and foremost for Mitchell, it certainly was a partial motivator for some of the younger entrants who were hoping to get a foot in a door, or at least their voice on the airwaves

Twenty-one-year old Webster, the owner of a beautiful operatic voice and a student at Oakland University, was looking for a shot - just a shot - at showing what talent she (and her mom and proud grandma) knows she has

"I need to get my voice out there," she said Hers was distinctly different, a fact that made her more hopeful, less apprehensive "If everyone sounded like me I would be nervous," she said Instead, she calmly took her turn at the mike and quieted a talking crowd with Someone to Watch Over Me

Equally enchanting was the work of Meg Murphy, another Oakland University student, whose You Take Advantage of Me could have been a replay from a radio show long ago



Dan Carter of Canton placed in the top 10 on Monday night

Coincidentally, the Mercury jingle also dates back to the '40s with its adaptation of the classic K D Douglas song Mercury Blues

"I just really, really enjoy singing," Murphy said "I do lot of community theatre, Stagecrafters, Avon Players" The old songs are her favorites, thus it's what she picked and certainly did well for the live competition

Sheila Taylor Stubbs changed her song three times before she finally got up to sing Open My Heart Other contestants that went before her sang the song she had planned, she said, so she changed hers at the last

minute I probably shouldn't have done that,' she said, but her cheering family — including husband Patrick Reginald, two daughters and infant son thought she did 'great" Even an uncle got in the act by encouraging her to enter, he called and "told me to send my

Stubbs has acquired a repertoire by performing with the group Phase III, but most of the time she's at work at the Southfield's Secretary of State office

Chris Hlvaty works at TI Automotive in Auburn Hills, but has made a name for herself singing at Mount Zion Church in Clarkston At age 39, she wasn t really planning on starting out a new career but her friends from church on hand for the finals and waving signs of support encouraged her to give it a try

She sang a song she wrote and with it, made her way into the top 10

I'm shocked,' she said, pointing to her friends They told me I had to do this"

Selecting the top 10 and ultimately, the winner, was a team of judges that included Jim Stano, a senior Vice President at Y&R, the agency that came up with the talent search idea, Tom Bowman of WVMV, Larry Garcia, founder and Web master of Detroit County Music Com, Karen Newman and Tom Force, both of WOMC, and Harold Kuhn, vice chairman of the Lincoln



Oakland University student Meg Murphy was selected as an alternate



and president of Park Motors in Detroit As the guy representing and

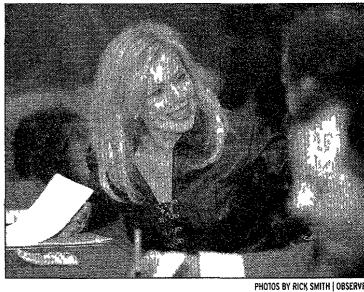
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looking out for the brand, Kuhn was delighted with the quality of the contestants and the possibility of Mercury presenting a new star to the world It is totally right that the search should tap into the talent of metro Detroit and take place in Motown, he said 'Everyone was excellent'

Vanessa Johnson just happened to be the most excellent



Najette Jasey of Livonia did not make the top 10 finalists



Karen Newman was among the judges during the Mercury Talent Search held at Somerset South Monday night

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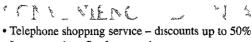
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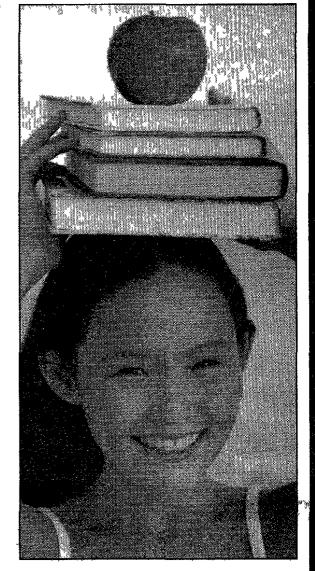
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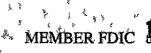


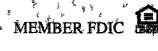


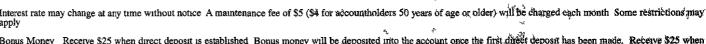
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Paula Clark performs in the Somerset South Rotunda on Monday night as part of the Mercury Talent Search She lives in Southfield, and unfortunately did not make the top 10 finalists

Put these Michigan books on your gift-giving list

If you're still searching for a perfect Christmas gift for the young reader in your life, consider three new books from Michigan authors and illustra-

■ Jam & Jelly by Holly & Nellie, written by poet and National Book Award winner, Gloria Whelan, and illustrated by Gysbert van Frankenhuyzen Both author and illustrator live ın Mıchıgan Published by Sleeping Bear Press, \$1795

Beyond the lyrical title page, you'll find a sweet story about an ingenious mother and daughter, along with lavish illustrations painted in warm summer golds and lush forest greens

Holly and her family live in northern Michigan where "the winter wind lays hold of you and the snow falls until everything is like a sheet of white paper" She plans to start school in the fall, but needs a new winter coat that her parents can't afford to buy

Without it she'll stay home and her education will suffer "bıg holes"

Nellie devises a plan Mother

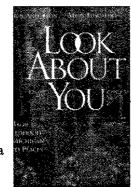
and daughter will scour field and woods for strawberries, juneberries, raspberries, blackberries and blueberries and turn the juicy fruits into profitable jam During the summer, the pair mix play — dangling feet in the river, imitating bird calls — with berry-picking By fall, Papa has built a roadside stand. and mother and daughter are in business

"All winter my coat keeps out the wind," Holly muses, while waiting for the school Peninsula, you may recbus as snow swirls around her "What keeps me warmest of all is remembering the smell of the strawberries, the busy river, the raspber-

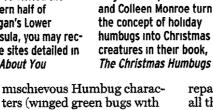
ry pie Berry conserve and jam recipes decorate the book's inside back and front covers

■ The Christmas Humbugs, written by Colleen Monroe and illustrated by her husband, Michael Glenn Monroe Published by Sleeping Bear Press, \$1795 The couple live in Brighton

Michael Monroe created his

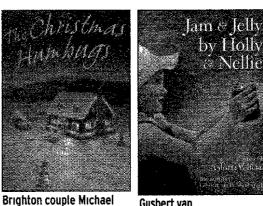


If you've visited the northern half of Michigan's Lower ognize sites detailed in Look About You



ters (winged green bugs with striped socks, big Rudolf-red noses and bells at the end of antenna) while in high school more than 20 years ago

Colleen's poetry describes their penchant for tripping up Christmas celebrations The pesky bugs switch name tags on presents, eat cookies meant for Santa and send glass tree bulbs flying — but in the end discover nasty, in fact the opposite is that true Christmas spirit has



Giisbert van Frankenhuvzen's warm-colored paintings illustrate Gloria Whelan's Jam & Jelly by Holly & Nellie van Frankenhuyzen lives in Bath

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all the damage done "The Humbugs know true spirit isn't bothered by their tricks, the tiny pranks they play take just a little time to fix," the author explains

The cartoonish Humbugs look funny and indulge in pranks, but do nothing truly destructive

"They aren't trying to be true, they're testing Christmas

Spirit and how strong it is in you'

The poetry makes The Christmas Humbugs a good read-out-loud book to beginning and non-readers

Look About You, A Magical Childhood in Michigan's Wild Places by author Erin Anderson and artist Mary Fuscaldo, a Leelanau Peninsula resident Published by Rimwalk Press, \$29 95

Anderson's collection of essays describe enchanting places and magical moments of her childhood in Northern Michigan Read it aloud to a beginning reader or give it to yourself and spark memories of your own favorite places

Anyone who has spent time ın northern Mıchıgan will recognize locations such as Sleeping Bear Dunes, South Manitou Island and Lake Leelanau Anderson finds magic in the sight and sounds of nature as she treks each site with her father

"That is the world mid-breath - resting - waiting for the moment to wake," her father

describes a frozen valley in a chapter called Snowy River Upper Peninsula.

"Here and there ice had broken, the snow-covered surface parted to reveal water blueblack as ink It seemed to stand silent, the current arrested midflow,' Anderson sets the scene At Old Mission Vineyard, the air seems to hold "all summer in its gauzy hand, taut and full to bursting with a season's growth

Fuscaldo's soft pastel paintıngs ıllustrate each site Drawings of fanciful sprites and fairies decorate several pages

Rimwalk Press also donates a portion of sale proceeds from the book to The Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy, The Leelanau Conservancy and The Little Traverse Conservancy

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- Staff writer Sharon Dargay

Former Michigan author's memoir makes you cry, laugh Dalhart, Texas (for anyone who front yard lilacs to life again,

OFF TO THE SIDE

by Jim Harrison (Atlantic Monthly Press \$25 00)

ad news Jım Harrıson no longer resides in his native state of Michigan The prolific writer

has left for a new home in Montana part of the year, and Arizona for the remainder His reasons are varied, but mostly involve a wish to live closer to his children and grandchildren, and a need to escape Michigan

Off to the Side, a memoir, is the last book he wrote before departing Lively, sometimes rough and raw, often thoughtprovoking, it's quintessential Jim Harrison, and makes for an excellent, extended exit-

> Though it's appeal is certainly not limited to regional read-

Off to the Side will nevertheless offer special appeal for Michiganians, particularly those who have spent much time in the rough, beautiful reaches "up north," where Harrison made his home for 60-plus years

Not surprisingly, he begins the memoir with vignettes from his childhood, spent among his Swedish ancestors on farmland near Big Rapids, and later in a little house in Hastings, where his father worked as a govern mental agriculturist

As anyone even remotely familiar with Harrison's work knows the outdoor world beginning here — would have a deep and basic impact on his

On these pages, he brings

along with the mint growing in a ditch beside the road We can see the old tire swing, hear the rooster crow

> in the stilldark hours of the morning, hear "a sow's untroubled grunt, the muffled squeal of a piglet, the neighbors dog a cow lowing, a

horse stomping a sleepy

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foot " 'There were no alarm clocks in the house," he writes " body's clock sufficed

Not all is a pleasantly revisited scene, however There was the gush of blood at pig butchering," for instance

'You could hear it' Harrison adds bringing home the whole gory event with a few well chosen juicy syllables

Mid-book, Harrison expounds on his 'Seven Obsessions" Alcohol, France

BOOK REVIEW

strip dancing (watching, not performing), hunting, fishing, and dogs, his "private religion' travel (and not to just anywhere), plus the natural world Some of this may make read-

ers wonder if they should laugh or cry, like his account of the first time he drank too much 'My mother made me get in a hot bathtub where I vomited out my thirteen-year-old heart, he recalls "This experience drove me to religion and athleticism

For aficianados of such

things, his favorite strip club is not in New York or LA, but in Lincoln, Nebraska And his favorite travel destinations may seem a dash surprising, too Ajo, Arizona Bluff, Utah, Duluth, Minnesota, littleknown spots in Montana Mexicos Seri Coast, Floridas Panhandle Oxford Mississippi Valentine, Nebraska, Rodeo, New Mexico, LaCrosse, Wisconsin,

has ever visited Dalhart, this may seem the biggest surprise of all) In the memoir's conclusion,

Harrison provides readers a literary hodgepodge on such matters as graduate school, his various jobs, his long-lasting marriage, his family, Hollywood, fine wines, writing, and his personal bouts with depression and "tenuous sanı-

"I call this book Off to the Side because that is a designated and comfortable position for a writer," Harrison informs

Perhaps Jim Harrison has not been a writer to seek the spotlight

In the past, he's even been accused - rightly or wrongly of a certain reclusiveness

As to life itself, though, these pages show he s almost never been off to the side — but always right there, in the thick

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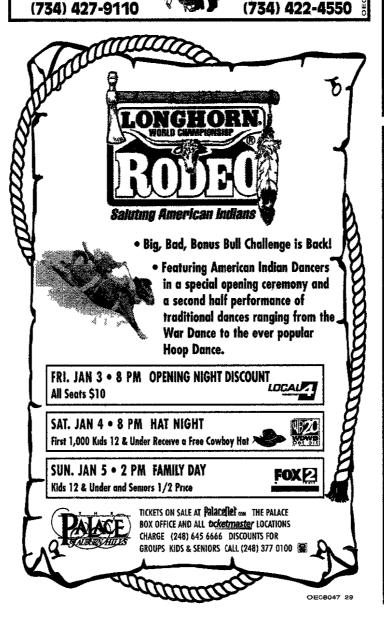
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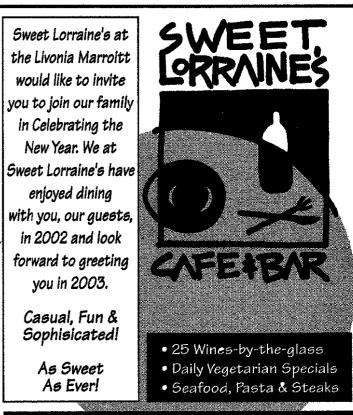
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Wild Thornberrys are a blast of frolicsome energy

BY BEN NUCKOLS ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

The Wild Thornberrys Movie, a rollicking animated adventure with a plucky, cando spirit, nearly bubbles over with incident and exotic locales

It's a breeze and a blast, snappily paced and full of frolicsome energy

The creators of the popular Nickelodeon series offer a clinic on how to expand a TV show ınto a feature After a quick prologue to bring the unfamil-1ar up to date, they jump into the story with such vigor that the material feels brand new

They also give kids a hero they cannot only empathize with but learn something from Like Harry Potter, Eliza Thornberry (voiced by Lacey Chabert of Party of Five fame) is a bespectacled misfit on the cusp of adolescence whose special powers allow her to lead a secret life The ability to talk to animals is what sets Eliza apart - and gets her in trouble

But unlike Harry, Eliza s adventures spring from her own careless mistake Spurned on by guilt and an awareness of her limitations, she sets out to right a wrong

Eliza, whose parents produce a nature show, is part of a charming family on permanent safarı Patrıarch Nıgel (voice of Tim Curry), a khakiclad dandy with a handlebar mustache, is a throwback to the British colonial adventurer, bumbling his way through the wilderness with a joyous naiveté

Nigel's American wife, Marianne (Jodi Carlyle), represents the practical half of the pairing She drives the motorcycle while he sits in the side-

Eliza's older sister Debbie (Danielle Harris) has developed all the attitudes and mannerisms of a suburban

Though the supporting cast of Africans gets a respectful treatment ... it's a bit frustrating that a movie set on a continent so underrepresented on film would be primarily concerned with a white family.

teenager despite being raised in the jungle The youngest Thornberry is adopted son Donnie (brought to life by Flea, the bassist of the Red Hot Chili Peppers) who appears to have been raised by apes and whose favorite activity is the "wedgie dance" The family also has a pet chimpanzee, Darwin (Tom Kane). who's Eliza's best friend

The movie joins them in Africa, where they re chasing a rumor that thousands of elephants will gather in the open during a solar eclipse Meanwhile, Eliza makes friends with some young cheetah cubs, but when she blithely leads one out of his mother's territory, he s snapped up by a poacher

Eliza is devastated, and at the same time her paternal grandmother (Lynn Redgrave) decides the girl needs some traditional schooling if she's going to grow up civilized So it s off to boarding school in London, where Eliza suffers the torments of her supercilious classmates She immediately begins scheming to return to Africa and get that young cheetah back to his mother

Directors Cathy Malkasian

and Jeff McGrath embrace their fast moving travelogue of a story Using a wider format than is typical for animated films, they find room for the sweeping vistas of the Serengeti Plain, the stately halls of Eliza's boarding school and even the bustling streets of Nairobi

Though hardly anyone involved with the project has any experience with feature films, it seems the

Thornberrys have belonged on the big screen all along They ve brought no shortage of luminaries with them Rupert Everett, Marisa Tomei and Alfre Woodard round out the voice cast, and Peter Gabriel and Paul Simon are in good form contributing songs to the soundtrack

Though the supporting cast of Africans gets a respectful treatment - Debbie develops a touching friendship with a young tribesman - it's a bit frustrating that a movie set on

a continent so underrepresented on film would be primarily concerned with a white family

There s also little acknowledgment of the damage wrought by poachers, the stock villains in such nature-friendly fare as this In this movie, Africas bounty is endless, and the poachers aren't motivated by economic circumstances They re just rogue baddies who hate animals

While the Thornberrys don't illuminate the plight of endangered species with the grimness the subject may deserve, Eliza learns to balance her curiosity about wildlife with a respect for its precariousness She emerges richer from her adventures, as will kids - and parents - who see The Wild Thornberrys Movie

The Wild Thornberrys Movie a Paramount Pictures release is rated PG for some adventure peril Running time 78 minutes Three stars (out of

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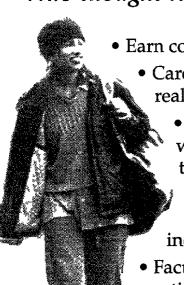
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Richard Paul Evans novels reflect powers of faith, hope, love

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New York Times best-selling author Richard Paul Evans does not write to make people cry, contrary to what his wife says, he writes to make people think

And his latest novel, The Last Promise, another New York Times best-seller, is no exception in a tale of true love and all the joy and heartache accompanving it

The story opens with Ellen, a talented young artist, who moves to Italy with her husband and eventually gives birth to a son Unfortunately, Ellen realizes her husband isn't the same man she married To make matters worse, she meets Ross, a fellow American in Italy, and now finds herself torn became the first self-published between the two men

"I try to make every book better than the previous one That's my goal," said Evans, 40. who with his wife, Keri, and their five children, Jenna, Allyson, Abıgaıl, McKenna, and Michael, have homes in Salt Lake City, Utah and Italy

According to Chris Brady, a manager at Borders Books and Music at the Oakland Mall in Troy, Evans' books - old and new - always sell well during the holidays In fact, because of their content, she said his novels always have a sales resurgence during the holiday season

"They're not only holidaythemed, but spiritually-themed as well People are looking for that, especially this year and after last year," said Brady, referring to the tragic events of Sept 11, 2001

He's really popular," Brady said "(The Last Promise) is a nice book if you're looking for a gift All his books are They're not racy, they're very familyoriented and filled with hope"

BECOMING A WRITER

Evans confessed that he never intended to become an internationally renowned author

It was his older brother Mark, a linguist for the US Army, who had a major influence on his becoming a writer 'He convinced me as a

teenager Shakespeare is cool, Evans said "That got me to read From there, he fed me books

from Hemingway to Steinbeck He said I should write for a living I just laughed' A graduate of the University

of Utah, where he majored in speech and minored in Mandarın Chinese, Evans was

an advertising executive in Salt Lake City, Utah when he penned his first novel, The Christmas Box, in 1992 It was an expression of his undying love for his two daughters. In 1993, Evans made 20 copies of his story and gave it to family and friends as Christmas presents The story was received so well by his family and friends, they passed it around more than 160 times, spreading the word about his soft-spoken story of parental love and the true meaning of Christmas Booksellers began calling him, wanting to order The Christmas Box for their cus-

"I was such an industry enig-ma," Evans said "I had agents calling me day and night

Evans made history when he author whose first novel reached No 1 in both the hardcover and paperback categories simultaneously on The New York Times Best Sellers List In 1995, Richard Thomas (TV's The Waltons) and Maureen O'Hara (Big Jake) starred in the Emmy Award winning movie adaptation of The Christmas Box on CBS, which was also the network's No 1 television movie that year

ON A FAST TRACK

It didn't stop there for Evans His second novel, Timepiece, another New York Times Best Seller and the second book in The Christmas Box Collection, was also made into a television movie, starring James Earl Jones (Clear and Present Danger) and Academy Award winner Ellen Burstyn (Alice Doesn't Live Here Anymore) Evans' third novel, The Letter, the final installment of The Christmas Box Collection, was a New York Times Best Seller for 16 weeks in 1997 Today, there are more than 10 million copies of his books in print, and they have been translated into 16 differ ent languages It was surreal Evans

described his newfound fame It was certainly something I didn't expect By the time I hit No 1, everyday was a new adventure So many strange things were happening in my life I was opened to a whole new reality that nothing surprised me anymore Looking back now I wish I had more of the perspective I do now because I think I would have enjoyed it more" The author was told by a

friend to savor being on The Today Show because it would never be the same again He

said his friend was right "The first time was magical," Evans said, fondly remembering the experience "I have been back on The Today Show and it wasn't the same It was like 'been there, done that' to some degree, as wonderful as that show is"

He has also appeared on Entertainment Tonight, and has been featured in Time, Newsweek, People Magazine, USA Today, TV Guide, Reader's Digest, Family Circle, and Good Housekeeping A sought-after motivational speaker, he has shared the podium with President George W Bush, former President George Bush, Elizabeth Dole, and Hollywood director Ron Howard (How The Grinch Stole Christmas)

GIVING TO CHARITY

Evans has used his media presence to the fullest The proceeds of his children's books, The Christmas Candle, The Dance, and Spyglass, have gone to founding The Christmas Box House International, an organization dedicated to building shelters for abused and neglected children, where he serves as the director

In addition to his children's books, he has also penned The Locket, The Looking Glass, and The Carousel novels This hohday season, CBS (Channel 62 in Detroit) will air an adaptation of The Locket, starring Brock Peters (To Kill A Mockingbird) and Mary McDonnell (Dances with Wolves)

Unlike most authors, Evans does not have a set writing routine

"It's almost like I'm a binge writer I would lock myself away and just write intensely And then I'll just back off and write between the cracks, late at night, during the day, whenever I have ideas, and then I'll go back and do it again, he said Writing is an ironic profession Its extremely lonely When you're writing, you have to be lonely and it comes out in your books When you re on the road and you're away from your family, you deal with hundreds of people and when they're gone, you're

The author said the best part of his job is hearing from his readers, who have told him how much they enjoy his work and how it has enriched their

"It's very powerful to reach out to someone else "Evans said "That's the magic of writ-

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home Whether it's a family gathering at holiday time or a ball game in the back yard, candid shots will provide you with natural looking, lasting memories On vacations, too, don't overlook that joyful expression just as the fish is hooked or junior's glow or accomplishment. as he completes his sand castle af. the beach. To help you get these : shots, try to have your exposure predetermined so that you can trip the shutter without having to fuss with camera's controls

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Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer* based in Farmington Hills. You can leave" a message for him at (734) 953 2047

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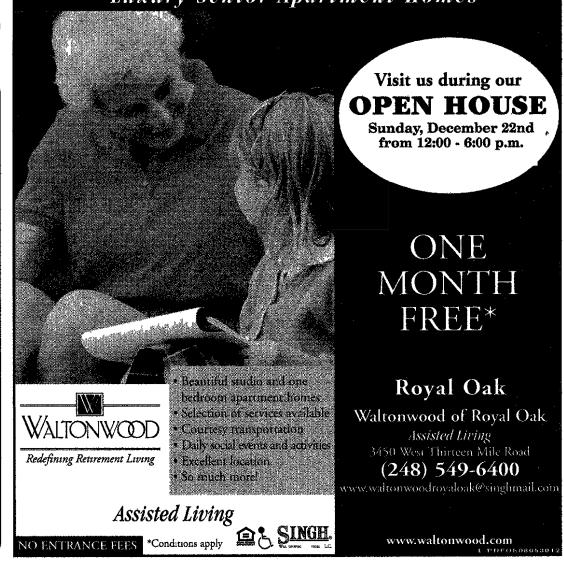
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Some folks visit Sonoma County with the sole purpose of savoring the homegrown wine Its a fabulous excuse

Decorated with more than 200 wineries that run the gamut from the Kendall-Jackson Wine Estates with its sensory gardens to the cozy underground cellar at the Field Stone Winery & Vineyard, this California county situated 35 miles north of San Francisco furnishes a wine-lover's nir-

Yet, there are more than vineyards to see in this four seasons region And winter provides an ideal backdrop to discover her treasures

"We have very mild winters This is the time when we look a lot like England and Ireland because of the beautiful green hills," said Nina Laramore, public relations manager of the Sonoma County Tourism Program

Here's a glimpse at some of the county's highlights Fairmont Sonoma Mission

Inn & Spa Proper attire? At the Fairmont Sonoma Mission Inn & Spa in Sonoma, robes and

slippers qualify 'Guests are encouraged to feel comfortable," said Tannia Summers, publicist for the resort Many guests walk

around in their robes Some linger in the "living room,' a k a lobby, to chat with others or relax near the woodburning fireplace

One of the unique qualities of the resort is that it has its own source of natural thermal mineral water that flows 1,100 feet directly beneath the Inn

Revered by Native American Indians for its curative powers and mystical rejuvenation, the 135-degree water is cooled and then piped into the hot tubs,

steam room and the pools Massages, herbal wraps and facials are popular at the Spa

A relaxing and some say spiritual experience is Watsu This treatment combines Zen Shiatsu a form of massage that emphasizes stretching to increase energy flow, with the relaxation of floating in warm

Leave everything at the door, Summers said, referring to work and/or personal irri-

A robe and a pair of slippers will be waiting

Charles M Schulz Museum and Research Center

Don't leave town without visiting Snoopy and his pals You'll find them at the Charles M Schulz Museum and Research Center in Santa Rosa - a delightful, fun and happy place

The museum opened in August 2002 It is dedicated to preserving the art and legacy of the popular cartoon artist and sharing his story

On the south wall of the first floor's Great Hall, a tile mural measuring a little more than 17 feet by 22 feet, features Lucy holding the football for Charlie

Step up close This awesome mural comprises more than 3,500 Peanuts comic strip images printed on 2-inch by 8inch ceramic tiles

The Great Hall also showcases a massive wood sculpture of a morphing Snoopy The 7,000plus pounds of art is composed of layers that are cut away to reveal the evolving personas of the world-famous beagle

Yoshiteru Otani, a Japanese artist and friend of Schulz, designed these two major art pieces

Check out the upstairs galleries

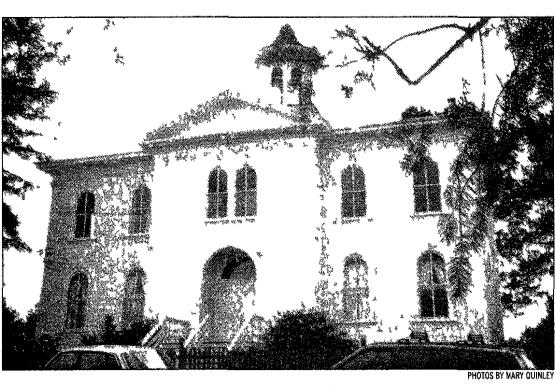
IF YOU GO

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Other area contacts:

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- Getaway Adventures (800) 499-2453, (707) 763-3040 or www.getawayadventures.com



The old Potter Schoolhouse, now a private residence, is the only original building from the Alfred Hitchcock film, The Birds, that still stands in Bodega, Calif

An entire wall from Schulz's Colorado home, with a mural he painted for his daughter's nursery, a re-creation of his studio, and, a potpourri of materials describing Snoopy's adventures in space can be viewed

Across the street from the museum is the Ice Arena (Snoopy's Home Ice) And, not far from the museum is Schulz's Studio These were the two places that Sparky, Schulz's nickname, spent most of his time during the last 30 years of

Adventure

Harbor seals frolicking in the Russian River usually ignore kayaks and canoes Paddlers react just the opposite They slow down, lower their voices and gaze at the sleek mammals with the spotted coats

"The mouth of the Russian River near (the town of) Jenner offers a nature-style paddle,' said Randy Johnson, president of Getaway Adventures in Petaluma His tours provide some rare opportunities to view seals, snowy egrets, blue herons, and, on occasion, salmon running

Johnson offers a combination of sightseeing excursions via biking, walking and/or paddling

Often, wine is a big part of the experience

People are trying to get away from crowds said Johnson And one method to achieve this is to travel at the speed of a bike, stopping along the wayside to converse with the

Johnson and crew are happy to plan custom-made itineraries

■ Bodega Bay In the coastal towns of Bodega and Bodega Bay, residents that were "extras" in Alfred Hitchcock's movie The Birds are delighted to chat with visitors

Hitchcock was extremely fond of filming in this area, said Laramore

Almost 40 years ago, he chose the two locations to serve as the setting for his first horror/fantasy film Remember The Tides

restaurant, near the scene of the gas station explosion, and the dock?

The Tides remains, an expanded and remodeled com-

plex And the dock is still there The old Potter schoolhouse, also featured in the film, is now a private residence

Tours are available by

appointment Movie trivia accounts for only a slice of the charm Travelers to the small community will discover eclectic art galleries, interesting antiques shops, beachfront restaurants and an array of unique and comfy accommodations to satisfy all tastes and budgets

Mary Quinley is a Livonia resident and writes about food and travel for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers You can reach her at MQinfo@aol com



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Apartments entice with luxury features

They look like upscale condominiums. but they're actually luxury apartments Brandywine - developed, built and managed by Singh - consists of 120 residences off Haggerty between 14

Mile Road and Maple in West Bloomfield Monthly rent starts at \$1,995 for a two-level apartment of 1,794 square feet

with three bedrooms and three bath-At the upper end, an apartment of 2,262 square feet with three beds and $2\frac{1}{2}$ baths, also with two levels of living space,

goes for \$2,295 per month It's not only the spaciousness of the residences that attract tenants, but what's

ıncluded All of the luxury apartment homes contain an attached two- or three-car garage, air conditioning, range, refrigerator, microwave, dishwasher and trash compactor, plus ceramic tile and carpeting throughout

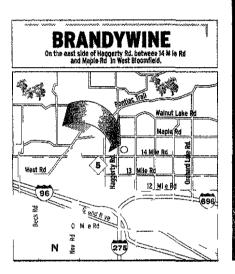
Apartments in the middle of buildings contain fireplaces Many residences have volume ceilings

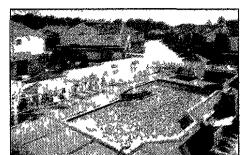
All apartments have private entrances, a washer and dryer in individual laundries, intrusion alarms and window blinds

Other standards include patio/deck or both, Corian counters, crown molding, ceiling fans and

pedestal sınks Brick, vinyl siding and dimensional shingles are exterior materials

Tenants also will have access to a clubhouse with spa, fitness center and kitchen/sitting area Brandywine also showcases an outdoor swimming pool





Residents at Brandywine have access to an outdoor swimming pool in summer, a clubhouse with spa year-around

and nicely landscaped grounds

"We wanted to construct a community that's comparable to none other," said Jim Davis, property manager "Our goal was to be at the top of the market Our goal was to make residences functional with high-quality things"

Visitors' reactions? 'They say, 'Wow! This is an apartment?" said C J Gildersleeve, manager "What you see is what you get, except for wallpaper There's no bait-and-switch with us

"We have concierge service," she added The owners – they're accessible You always have one around somewhere'

"Location is a big draw," Davis added 'It's convenient to freeways'

"We're so diverse, it's incredible," Gildersleeve said "We have families with children We have professional people People coming into the country for three years on a job want to live in a fabulous

place We get them" "The staff is very good," Davis said "We take service to residents very seriously" Eight different floor plans are available and the community is about half rented

out Two models were shown during a recent visit

The Malvern, 2,227 square feet, features a living room, dining area, kitchen/nook, half-bath and master suite with two-sink vanity, walk-in closet and shower at entry level

A finished lower-level with walk-out

includes a family room, bedroom and full bath

Monthly rent is \$2,395

The Kimberton, 1,979 square feet, is a walk-up with all rooms on one level

The apartment showcases a kitchen/nook with peninsula counter and balcony, great room and dining room with volume ceilings, master with two closets, dual-sink vanity and shower, two secondary bedrooms that can be used for other purposes, and a full bath

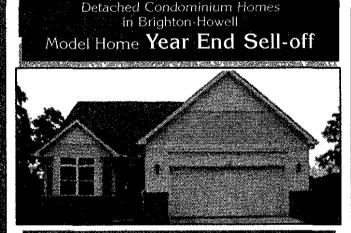
Monthly rent also is \$2,395 Brandywine is served by city water and sewers All utilities are individually metered The community is within the Walled Lake school boundaries Pets are allowed for an addi-

An application fee of \$50 is required, as is a security deposit of \$750

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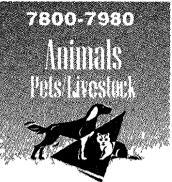


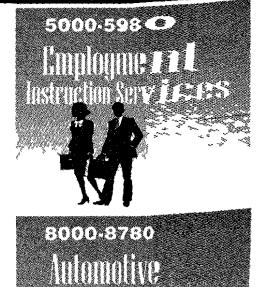
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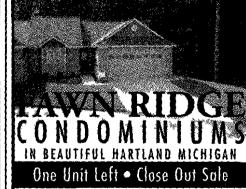
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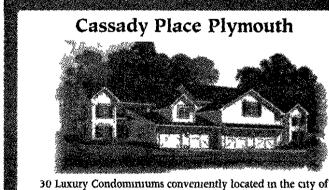


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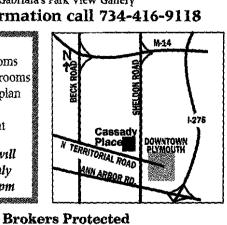


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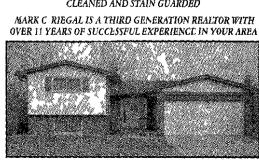
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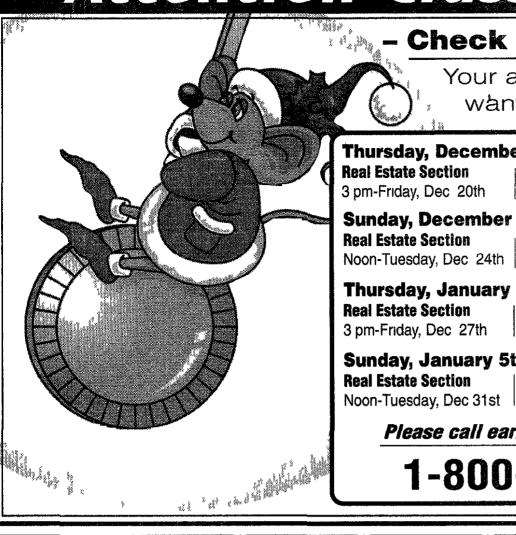
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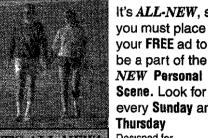
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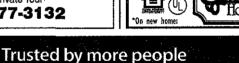
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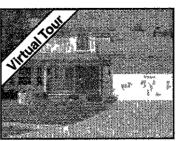
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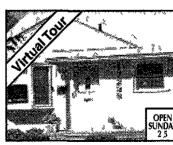
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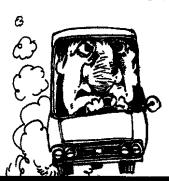
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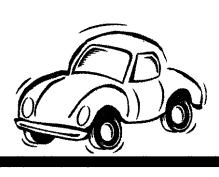
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LOVELY BUT LONELY Tall slende attractive roman to fun lady seeks honest loyal romantic flexible gentle man that's 55 plus over 5 10 and fun to be with Let's start as ir ends first Oakland County BOX 27034

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LADY WITH PIZZAZ Ec ect c attractive s ender fun romant c lady enjoys golf tenn's boating dancing and more Seeking special fun gentieman 59 plus ove 510 non smoker honest and loyal BOX 36009 ALL AMERICAN GUY

Single white female 40 55

non-smoker brown hair med um to husky loving caring likes a variety of activities sports Seeking a husky hon est white guy 36 46 serious long term relat onsh p Macombe County BOX 36039 **CLASSY COSMO CUTIE** Creativity and chemistry a must. White female compas is onate curvy looking for someone to have fun with white professional 46 to 56 non smoke no drugs ove ani mais wate boating exercise cooking spiritual Oakland County BOX 36051

ATTRACTIVE WOMAN

female 511 s ze 11 w shes to meet a white male 62 or

taller 49 or older no games no

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SEEKS BETTER HALF

Down to earth single attractive

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friends leading to long terminelationship Oakland County BOX 35057

TOUCH OF CLASS

For sale attract ve classy out going divorced white female 55 130 lbs dark hair pretty

eyes Seeks top notch tail white male 50 plus to share

together Your cost one phone

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Eclect c attract ve siender romant c quality lady enjoys most music dancing golf ten

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Pretty 40 s 57 119 lbs sprt ed happy and deg eed loves

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world are a plus Oakland County BOX 36076

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP

Attractive slender tall lady of

55 warm hearted cerebral somewhat a quiet home body

a smoker Seeking a gentle-man 55 to 69 nteligent tail

polte truthful a smoker who enjoys dining and conversa tion Oakland County BOX

ARE YOU LONELY?

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one with a great personality non-smoker non-drinker a per

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55 to 65 Oakland County BOX

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and special moments

Seeks attractive white 510 plus health con

Wayne County BOX 36053

Single black sophisticated mature female medium height slender build enjoys dining out flea markets movies and more Seeks male with similar nterests race not mportant Wayne County BOX 36126

SMART FUNNY HUGGARLE 40 yr old divorced white female 57 with 2 children likes moves walks zoos ntell gent conversation. Seeking an edu cated down to earth non smoking white male 40 49 who is family or ented enjoys laughing hugging and open commun cation Western Wayne county BOX 36128

NEW BEGINNINGS Single white female 47 54 178 lbs enjoys movies candle Ight dinners long rides cud ding au et even nas at home Seeks single black male 47 53 with similar interests for friend ship possible relationship Wayne County BOX 36142

A TOUCH OF CLASS Attractive tall mature lady he ght/we ght p oport onate non-smoker social drinker enjoys music concerts fine dining dancing conversation Seeks sma qualtes in a mae to f endship compan onship and possibly more BOX 36146

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same interests for a long term relationship. NO HEAD

LUCKY IN LOVE

41 yrs old, 6'2", 210 lbs male, smoker, non-drinker,

likes movies, dining out, travel Seeks slim female

FATHER OF ONE

in Livonia Single white father of one 39 6 1 190 lbs fit fun

of one 39 61 190 ibs it run honest secure brown har green eyes Enjoys reading running biking skiling family activities Looking for a posi

great relationsh p BOX 14942

YOU WON'T BE SORRY

Single black Christian male 5.5 155 ibs handsome out

going Loves bowling sports jazz clubs Looking for a spe c al single female any race 26

to 38 who has a great sense of humor very outgoing college educated professional non

smoker Christian BOX 26839

LIFE HAS JUST BEGUN!

175 lbs fit retired siver har

secure Loves golf movies

biking travel the beach dining

out Seeks female not too

much baggage thin to medium build non smoker BOX 26857

and mustache

tve fit and loving female

over 5'5" BOX 21163

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Socks single female

dependable.

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THIS NEW YEAR'S EVE,

HUGGABLE TEDDY BEAR 37 yr old male Italian/Poish active in search of some She should be early 20s to mid 40s long hair nice eyes for long term friendship BOX

YOU AND I This sweetheart is a sociable single white male 40 well groomed physically fit has many nterests yet open to yours Seeks frendly female friend and possible lover BOX

WISH YOU WERE HERE Single white male 30 510 180 lbs short brown hair green eyes goatee carpenter hon est ca ng Enjoys moves oa ng Enjoys moves music dancing trave horse back riding Seeks honest car-ng sincere affectionate single white female 21 or older chil dren okay BOX 30938

TOTAL PACKAGE 6 197 lbs professional black entrepreneur intelligent bald well groomed educated Enjoys working out fishing travel sailing movies dining out plays Seeks mature woman who enjoys being spoted and pampered BOX

READY TO GAMBLE? 46 yrs od attractive healthy single white male seeks ady ke angle white female 40 s

SOMEONE TO LOVE White male blue eyes auburn har enjoys camp ng working n the garden games travel and quet times at home with someone to love Social drinker hooked on peps and try ng to qu't smok ng Seeki sameone under 60 BC

Hard working divorced white male 49 58 175 lbs Looking to find an easy going intelli-gent pretty white female in di-to late 40s in ce shape and build for a long term relation ship No games please Redford area BOX 14640

40 yr old 67 tall dark 245 lbs well build Latino young good looking emptoyed easy going Enjoys music movies and working out Looking for triendship leading to long term relationship with a special lady BOX 14910

Art culate cultured nice lock ng un que black male 50 5 7 150 lbs Wishes to meet a white or foreign born female for a long term mutually com mitted relationship BOX 21089

Single white male 56 510 ive plays dring out Rec Wings hockey Seeks religious woman average build for long term relationship BOX 21111 READY TO SETTLE DOWN

nale 20 to 35 slender build for long term relationship and possibie mar age JBOX 26665 **MUSCULAR & ATHLETIC**

Single white male 44 62 215 ibs brown blue clean cut degree never marred no dependents outgoing person a tylen cys outdoors working out new activities Seeks f endly single female age ocation open Wayne County BOX 27018

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TALL & HANDSOME 5 maew musache 80 bs seeks emae 40 o 55 sende o a e age bu d who s n e es ed ave dane s mov es que mes a home cas nos boating and mole Cal f nterested BOX 12370 ARE VOIL COMPATIBLE?

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Live near 194 in Telegraph 63 yrs old 59 170 lbs youthful light hearted gentle Enjoys camping walking flea markets lady BOX 10478

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GETTING TO KNOW YOU 26 yr old male 195 lbs 511 goatee shaved head bus ness owner Down River area Looking for an attractive female Intelligent funny loyal who likes to have fun for good times. Nothing serious at first BOX 30911

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LET'S HAVE SOME FUN Hispanic male imedium build kes to have fun. Seeks female for dating BOX 20672

POLISH ITALIAN GUY 50 attractive and health Enjoys doing fun things and going to interesting places Seeks lady to spend time with and get to know BOX 20745 WHY HESITATE?

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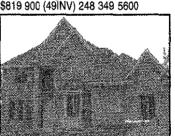
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BLOOMFIELD Contemporary! 3 bedroom 2 bath Construction Custom 4 bedroom colo ranch on beautiful 14 acre lot Great nial on beautiful wooded lot w/private room w/wood vaulted ceiling natural bath & walk in closets 2 story entry fireplace slate entry updated kitchen greets you & custom features keep you 42 cabs ceramic flooring & hadwoods custom lighting master suite w/Pergo newer windows roof CA & furnace Still time to pick carpet colors \$529 900



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WEST BLOOMFIELD - Beautiful cus tom 4 bedroom brick home w/3 5 BA 2 way frpic huge master w/bath & large closets Dual staircases high ceilings gourmet kit w/double ovens 3 car garage beautiful subdivision w/jogging trail great lot w/mature trees \$607 900 (55WYN) 248-642 8100



BLOOMFIELD - Gorgeous w/o condo 1st floor master bedroom suite w/glam our bath & WICs & access to elevated deck Library w/built ins 2 story living room w/doorwalls to deck white formica kitchen and lots of hardwood & marble LL has 3 BRs 3 BAs & FR 2 car att gar \$549 900 (54ALE) 248 642 8100



TROY - Brick 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colo niai w/Trov schools Neutral decor hard wood floors t/o including kitchen & all bedrooms Beautiful finished basement marble gas fireplace in family room & first floor laundry private wooded lot w/southern exposure & large cedar deck \$449 900 (37BRA) 248 642 8100



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BIRMINGHAM - New built 2002 Transitional home w/3 BRs 25 BAs 2 story LR w/irplc gourmet kitchen w/light maple cabinets island and all appli ances included Kohler fixtures and granite t/o Master w/bath hardwood floors CA basement and 2 car garage \$399 900 (39WEB) 248 642 8100



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kitchen 3 way fireplace 3 bedrooms

35 baths 3 car side entry garage gar

den walk out lake access! Nature pre

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super sized bedrooms Formal

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features & construction 1st floor laun

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2003 Suzuki Aerio SX Makes the grade.

Advertising Feature





Anne Fracassa

It sure looked awfully small, sitting there in the parking lot After getting out of the Hummer, this should be one uncomfortable week in the brand new Suzuki Aerio

I secretly bet that you probably could fit three Suzuki Aerios in the Hummer

But shpping inside was a pleasant surprise. It was surprisingly roomy, comfortable and had enough headroom, hiproom and legroom for just about anybody This won't be so bad after all, I thought

And the Aerio delivered everything and anything you could ever imagine for a vehicle that costs just under \$14,000, you'll be surprised, too

It comes with an amazing all-wheel-drive system vea, I did say all-wheel-drive Its called Suzuki QuadGripchannel and is available on all models of the Aerio The Aerio has the unique distinction of being the most affordable all-wheel-drive vehicle gracing our American roads

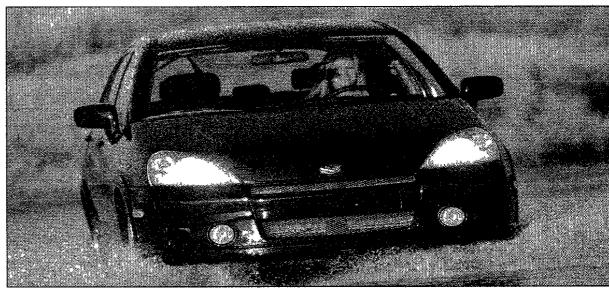
Let's get to the heart of this Suzuki It has one of the most powerful engines in its class - a 2-liter dual overhead cam in-line four cylinder all-aluminum engine that delivers 145 horsepower That's more than enough for me for a vehicle of this size

Never had a problem with acceleration, merging on the freeway or coming away from a light It seemed to be

None of the competition on the road today offers that kind of horsepower strong and an engine like this By the way, it's related to the 1 8-liter you'll find on the Esteem

The Aerio is offered in a standard four-door sedan or a five-door crossover model The sedans are in an S or GS trim and have optional all-wheel-drive the SX model, which was driven this week, is the crossover and has a unique and noticeable rear tailgate and comes in an upscale trim level and is offered in front- or all-wheel drive

Also the sedan can seat five and has split-folding rear seats The trunk will hold 14 6 cubic feet of your worldly possessions The SX model, however, with the rear seats down will hold 63 7 cubic feet of your stuff that you can



2003 Suzuki Aerio Vehicle class: Compact car. Power' 2 O-liter DOCH in-line 4-cylinder engine Mileage 26 city, 31 highway Where built Kosai, Japan Price as tested \$16,574

load from the rear hatch or the side rear doors

The exterior of the Aerio was designed in Turin, Italy It's got a truly unique design -- from its wide doors and tall roofline to its cool cockpit, it screams excitement and

And that's delivered

Ride and handling characteristics are truly superb. It really doesn't act or feel like a small compact car It feels much bigger But looking at the exterior is sooooo deceptive It's amazing

So amazing that my children didn't complain being in it all week Usually, they spot a small car and say, "Awwwww" They favor the big stuff I like to drive so much But never did I hear that 'Awwww' Deceived them

The interior is very roomy Anticipating to be shoulder-to-shoulder with a passenger was a mistake There's plenty of room in there I probably could put a cowboy hat on and not rub the headliner

The simplicity of the cockpit and instrumentation was so refreshing as well No teeny, tiny knobs and buttons to worry about Everything was logically placed, as if it's where is should be

Now remember, this car/crossover costs under \$14,000 before you add any options Wanna hear the standard equipment list?

Let's start with air conditioning and then add power windows and mirrors six-disc in-dash CD player with six speakers placed strategically throughout the cabin tilt steering wheel intermittent windshield wipers rear win dow defroster split folding rear seatbacks multiple cup

holders, all-digital instrumentation, outside temperature display and clock. The only available option on the S model is automatic transmission

Now choose the GS or the SX crossover and you'll get all that plus what's behind door number three 15-inch aluminum alloy wheels, power door locks, six-disc indash CD changer, cruise control, keyless entry, fog lamps, rear spoiler, height-adjustable driver's seat and front map lights

The options on the SX I drove were a 4-speed automatic transmission, anti-lock braking system and floor_ mats The bottom-line price \$16,574 What a value Safety issues are something that concerns me, especially when you look up at a Yukon sitting next to you and see the top of the tires Suzuki Aerio has a unibody shell reinforced with cross- and side-members designed to control impact energy

There are front and rear energy-absorbing zones and side-impact door beams that prevent intrusion into the interior High-tensile steel outer body panels continue to reinforce the interior

On the inside of the Aerio, you'll find dual second-generation front airbags, a height-adjustable front seat shoulder harness with pre-tensioners and force limiters help in a crash The rear seats, of course have LATCH systems and all five seating positions have headrests and three point seatbelts

Sounds like is was a good week in the Suzuki Aerio It was fun to drive and impressive in its performance And the price - you can t beat it Go check one out

Write Anne Fracassa at avanti1054@aol com

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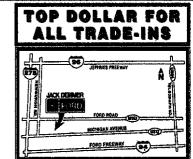
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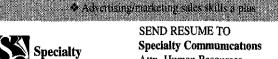
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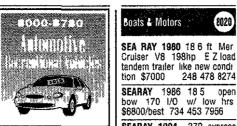
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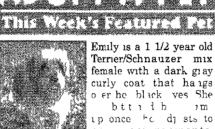
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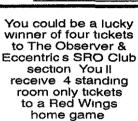


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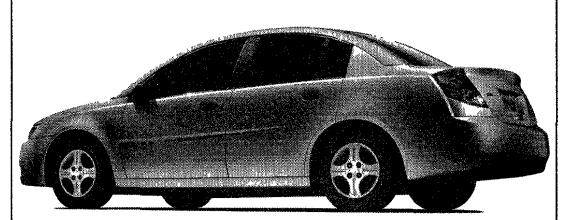
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