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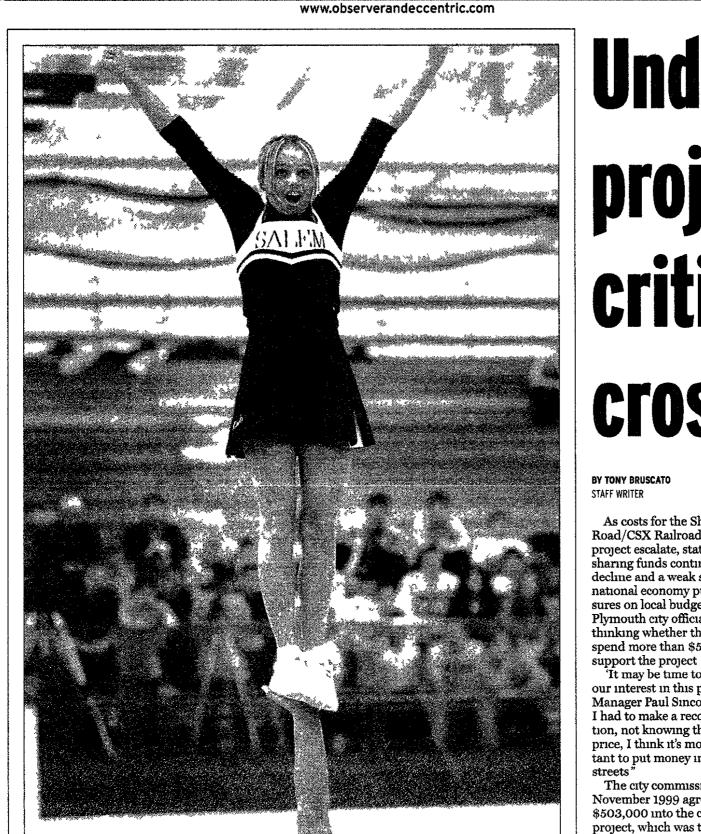
McCotter will share his first time experiences in Washington as well as com ment on the latest issues facing the business commu nity and the nation

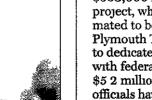
🕅 Youth program

Thanks to a grant from the Wilcox Foundation the Plymouth YMCA now offers a youth volunteer program linking young people with community agencies

The program creates service learning opportuni ties for kids said Gina Peterson director of branch operations for the YMCA Our goal is to help every participant understand and believe in the difference their service can make in their community the differ ence it can make within themselves

The program collaborates





Underpass project at critical crossing

As costs for the Sheldon Road/CSX Railroad underpass project escalate, state revenue sharing funds continue to decline and a weak state and national economy puts pressures on local budgets, Plymouth city officials are rethinking whether they want to spend more than \$500,000 to

'It may be time to re-evaluate our interest in this project," City Manager Paul Sincock said "If I had to make a recommendation, not knowing the end price, I think it's more important to put money into our local

The city commission in November 1999 agreed to put \$503,000 into the construction everybody was putting in the project, which was then estimated to be \$8 8 million Plymouth Township consented to dedicate just over \$1 million, with federal funding adding \$5 2 million Wayne County officials have also listed \$500,000 from CSX, which has yet to agree to pay that amount Since then, there have been several delays In November 2002, Wayne County's estimate for completion increased to at least \$9 million However,

Sincock said another \$85,000 for right-of-way acquisition has been added, plus undetermined costs associated with moving a 36-inch Detroit water main, which the city of Detroit claims is the responsibility of the county, city and township

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"Our attorney has given us four pages of concerns the project cost is open-ended," Sincock said "We need the county to give us the cost of the project, and if it's more, then it's a political decision if we should proceed"

Three members of the current city commission - Stella Greene, Ron Losselle and Colleen Pobur - were on the 1999 city commission that voted 7-0 to support the gra separation project

"If it was the same cost, and same amount of money, it would still be a viable project, Pobur said "It's a different decision now because of changing costs, a change in leadership in Wayne County and a change in our budget If we

with a variety of agencies including Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and the Plymouth Historical Museum for serv ice learning projects ranging from sorting fliers for deliv ery to schools to providing leadership and encourage ment to kids in youth sports classes

To volunteer enroll or for more information call the Plymouth YMCA (734) 453 2904

Scholarships

Friday Feb 21 is the dead line for submitting applica tions for Canton Community Foundation scholarships The 30 scholarships range from \$300 to \$2 000 About half are for \$500

Application forms are available at the Canton Public Library the Canton Chamber of Commerce the Plymouth District Library and all high school coun selors offices They can also be picked up at the founda tion s office on the southeast corner of Michigan Avenue and Sheldon Road

Detour ahead

The county will be closing Canton Center Road for sev eral months as it widens and improves the bridge over the Lower Rouge River south of Palmer (north of Geddes) The official detour will be Ford to Haggerty south to Michigan Avenue

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BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth Township man 15 free on \$50,000 bond after being arraigned on eight charges for attempting to have sex with a 13-yearold girl he met on the Internet The Wayne County Sheriff Department's

to 20 years in prison if Internet Crime Unit convicted of the charges Monday arrested 34-"He (Adlhoch) first iniyear-old William Adlhoch tiated conversation in a at a Taco Bell restaurant chat room on Jan 21," said Deputy Ray Johnson, in Southgate, where he was expecting to meet two 13-year-old teens for

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Heavy traffic among Daisy concerns

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Residents who live near the former Daisy BB Gun factory on Union Street gave a cautious thumbs-up to the 163-unit residential project proposed Monday night by developers for the 11-acre site

Representatives of Joseph Freed & Associates from Wheeling, Ill, claim that Union and Hamilton streets will allow for smooth traffic flow But residents who live there believe otherwise

"I like the preservation of the historical building, and I'm glad it's residential, but there's too much density and there's going to be too much traffic," said Kathy Clark, a Union

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New plans are in the works, including lofts and condos, at the former Daisy Air Rifle property in Plymouth

Street resident for 19 years 'There's really only one way out of this (project), and it's on Union "Hamilton Street is too narrow We're going to be captive in our driveways because there's too much traffic up and down our street" Developers like the idea their

project is within walking distance to downtown But, Michael Michaud, another Union street resident, said the increased traffic will mean trouble for pedestrians

"You're going to have a street with

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LOOKING AHEAD

On stage Find out what the Plymouth Canton AAUW will bring to the stage as its next production in Sunday's Observer







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have to cut something else to do this, then I would have to think about it"

Greene said she's still in favor of alleviating traffic problems caused by the railroad "If we

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Pairs supremacy

Salem's Tony Peters and Jena Hilderley took top honors during the pairs competition at last weekend's national cheerleading championships in Orlando, Fla Salem's cheer team finished fourth. For more on the story, see page A4 WILCOX ESSAY CONTEST

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a lot of traffic, a lot of people driving very fast, and that's not conducive to pedestrian traffic," Michaud said

Representatives from Freed promised to look at those concerns, as well as others presented by the joint session of the city commission and planning commission They include traffic, density, building aesthetics and environmental concerns from ground lead poisoning

'We are committed to remediate the entire site," said Alan Saposnik, vice president of development for Freed "We will begin in the spring of '03 and have it cleaned by the fall We've done a considerable amount of testing (and found) lead "

According to preliminary sketches, there will be approximately 50 condominiums in the former BB plant, averaging about 900 square feet They will sell for approximately \$200,000 each

Three-story row houses,

'A lot of developments are taking place in what used to be farmland, and you have to get into your car and drive somewhere to go to a local store or coffee shop.'

Alan Saposnik vice president of development

which will be 2,400 square feet, will sell for \$400,000, twostory townhouses, approximately 1,800 square feet, will go for \$275,000, and one-story flats, designed at 1,100 square feet, will sell for around \$200,000 All will be combination brick and siding

Developers predict nearly 300 new city residents, made up mostly of young couples and empty-nesters, increases in property tax revenue for the city, and more traffic for downtown and Old Village retailers and restaurants A lot of developments are taking place in what used to be farmland, and you have to get into your car and drive somewhere to go to a local store or coffee shop," Saposnik said "Here, you can walk somewhere It has a whole different feel than brand-new construction in the middle of a cornfield I think that's what will make this more attractive to people

The project impressed both elected and appointed officials who will be making the final decisions on the planned unit development

"It will be cleaned up environmentally, and bring tax dollars into the city," City Commissioner Phil Pursell said 'Redevelopment is the only game in town right now"

I think in concept there will be a lot of support for it, but I think we can expect to do quite a bit of work on the details, like the parking, the height and the density," said Tracy Hewitt, planning commissioner "It certainly is quite an improvement over what we have there"

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AROUND TOWN

The program — \$1,000 to each of 25 recipients — was established to mark the beginning of a year-long celebration of RE/MAX's 25th anniversary RE/MAX introduced the "American Dream" sponsorship program to recognize the interests and ongoing pursuits of local students

"We established the 'American Dream' scholarship in part to acknowledge that this is a special year for our company," said Jeannette Schneider, vice president and co-regional director of RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan "Of equal importance, we believe in the value of education as a means for today's youth to become tomorrow's community and business leaders "

To apply, students must provide a short essay on what the 'American Dream" means to them and the role that higher education plays in helping to achieve that dream

Essays and supporting materials will be judged on content, originality and creativity

For more information about the program, or to obtain an entry form, contact Jeanette Schneider, (248) 644-6420, check on-line at www manyhouses com or visit any local RE/MAX office

CHORUS SCHOLARSHIPS

The Plymouth Community Chorus, as part of its music education program, is offering three scholarships to students pursuing an education in the vocal field of performing arts One \$1,000 scholarship will

One \$1,000 scholarship we be awarded to a graduating high school senior, and two \$500 scholarships will be awarded to students in sixth through 11th grades

The scholarships will be awarded at the chorus' May 4 performance of *Broadway Legends*

The scholarships are intended to assist in the pursuit of studies in the field of vocal music, an applied vocational career in the field of vocal music, academic study of voice, or the study of voice for the purpose of organized recreational or community singing

Applications must be postmarked by April 3, and can be obtained by calling Sherrie Northway, (313) 533-4795 or by writing to Plymouth Community Chorus, PO Box 70017, Plymouth, MI 48170

RADIO AUCTION

The annual WSDP 88 1-FM radio auction, proceeds from which benefit the student-run radio station for Plymouth-Canton schools, takes place Saturday, May 10

Listeners will be able to bid on items donated by area businesses during the auction, which takes place from 9 a m -10 p m

New items will be available every half hour Money raised from the auction will be used for equipment upgrades and to fund three scholarships the station offers annually to graduates

Beginning in April, station supporters can keep track of new donated items by checking www 881theescape com, the station's Web site

Listeners from around the world will be able to listen to the auction via the World Wide Web

"We were excited to receive calls from Chicago, North Carolina and the Netherlands during last year's auction," said station manager Bill Keith "T'm hoping for even greater response from our alumni and out-of-town friends this year"

Station volunteers will be contacting businesses for donations through the end of April Businesses interested in donating items can call the station, (734) 416-7732

AAUW PLAY

The Plymouth-Canton Branch of the American Association of University Women presents its production of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs at 7 30 p m March 6-7 and at 10 a m, 1 p m and 3 p m Saturday, March 8

The play will be performed at O'Leary Auditorium in Garden City High School, 6500 Middlebelt in Garden City

Tickets will be on sale at all Plymouth-Canton Schools Feb 11-13, at all Garden City Schools Feb 18-20, and at Little Book Shoppe on the Park, 380 S Main in Plymouth, Feb 22-March 5 Admission is \$4

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Holocaust survivor tells students about concentration camp horror

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

As a Holocaust survivor, 72year-old Irene Butter of Ann Arbor believes it's her responsibility to tell real life stories of the atrocities of World War II in hopes that history doesn't repeat itself

⁷I feel it's my responsibility as a survivor to be a witness to the story, and remember the milhons in the Holocaust who didn't survive to tell their story," Butter told an assembly of seventh-graders at Discovery Middle School on Monday

Butter said her first six years of life were "quite comfortable My brother and I were spoiled by grandparents, parents, cousins, aunts and uncles I have only positive memories of my early childhood"

In the mid-1930s, as Adolf Hitler gained power in Germany, the conditions changed drastically for the Jewish people, many of whom



Holocaust survivor Irene Butter of Ann Arbor

lost their homes, businesses and were deported to concentration camps

Telling the Discovery students her family "saw the handwriting on the wall," they moved to Amsterdam in 1937.



Discovery Middle School seventh graders Mahela Ashraf from left Steven Marcus Jaclyn Cook John Shields and Jesse Forrester listen to Holocaust sur vivor Irene Butter during an assembly Monday

the same city where Anne Frank lived After a few "peaceful and harmonious' years, the Germans then invaded Holland and "we experienced what we had hoped to escape"

Butter described to students the "bombs crashing, marching soldiers, parachutes over the sky, soldiers smashing windows as the bombs fell The Germans occupied the Netherlands and they were in charge"

The auditorium was silent as Butter told students how every day activities, those taken for granted by them, were taken away from Jews

'We no longer were allowed to go to the movies, to go to parks, to go to swimming pools, to any kinds of public places," she said "We were not allowed to visit friends who were not Jewish, and non-Jewish friends were not allowed in our house

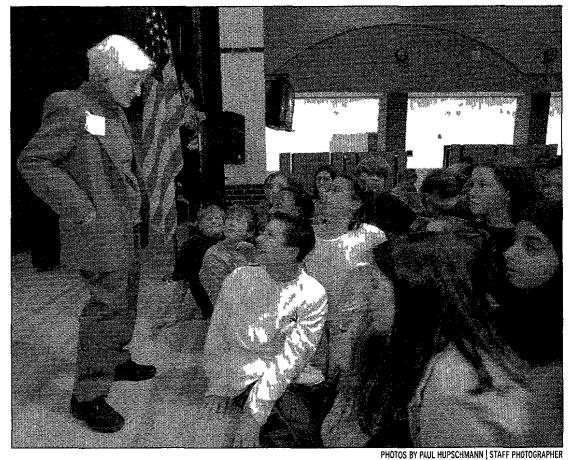
"At one point we all had to turn in our bicycles Jewish children were expelled from public schools there were also curfews and Jews were required to wear a yellow Star of David

"If you weren't wearing an identity star, you could be imprisoned. Butter added 'The star served the same purpose as different colored skin"

On a hot day in 1943, at age 12, it was Butter's turn to take the long train ride to Westerbork, a German concen-

tration camp "We were squeezed into them 40-60 people in each car, without water, without toilets, without fresh air," she said

Nearly eight months later, Butter and her family were sent to Bergen-Belsen "It wasn't an extermination camp it was called the slow death camp Every morning we woke and



Holocaust survivor Irene Butter of Ann Arbor talks with seventh grade students at Discovery Middle School Monday follow ing her lecture

looked around to see who was still alive' In what Butter described as

'incredible luck,' her family was part of a prisoner exchange and they were sent to Switzerland Her father died on the second day of the trip, her mother and brother were hospitalized, and she was sent to a displacement camp in northern Africa

Eventually, Butter and her family were reunited in the United States

"Life (in America) has had its ups and downs, but never as brutal as the days of World War II,' she said 'America, for us, was the land of freedom and opportunities"

Butter urged students to "fight for peace and justice Believe in your own humanity and what you believe in Interrupt the patterns of bigotry, prejudice and discrimination by defending what is fair and right

"My life is an illustration of the importance of holding onto hope in times of darkness and tragedy, and trusting that better times will come," she said Many Discovery students

walked away with a more vivid understanding of the Holocaust

"It was very sad," said Meghan Strahan, 13, of Canton "I couldn't think how bad it was as she was telling her story, and I've read a lot of books on the Holocaust It's inhumane"

"She taught us a lot of stuff about how bad the Holocaust was," added Alı Khalıl, 12, of Canton "She suffered through a lot and I hope no one has to ever go through that again"

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Plymouth Township board hears comment about Beacon Hill SAD

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

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The present and future of Beacon Hill Drive was the topic of discussion at a township board meeting Monday, where trustees approvéd taking another step toward repaying the street

People living near and along the residential street said the street has become a popular Trail and North Territorial

shortcut between Ann Arbor 'It has become a public road used by the large community,"

said township resident Andon von Will 'There is always traffic speeding through *

Trustee Chuck Curmi said Beacon Hill's thoroughfare use might become more pronounced when Sheldon Road closes for railroad underpass construction, tentatively sched uled to begin this spring

"When Sheldon Road closes, away we go," Curmi said 'This is the first special assessment district I've seen that I don't feel good about."

from residents about semi-truck traffic on Beacon Hill Any semitrucks using residential streets must meet weight requirements, and are only allowed if making deliveries

Under special assessments, property owners along streets slated for improvement are petitioned If 60 percent or more sign the petition, township trustees may vote to approve it, and the property owners all share the costs Typically, they have up to 10 years to pay for it

have the right to remove their names from the petition, and the township can remove property owners' names from the list James Bowling, who lives on

Ann Arbor Trail, said his name should be removed from the list "I'm not part of Beacon Hill at all," he said "The subdivision

and the road is alongside me I

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don't use it, I have no access to it and no reason to use it"

Rhett Gronevelt, spokesman McCliment, the paying company that will do the work if likely benefit from the street improvement. But because he

does not live on the street, he is only being assessed 25 percent of what other Beacon Hill property owners are being assessed Curmi disagreed

"I don't have any problem removing (Bowling) from the assessment," he said

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for Orchard, Hiltz & approved, said that Bowling was included because he will most

Clerk Marilyn Massengill said she has heard some complaints the project, property owners

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Salem team wins pairs title

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

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Salem High School's varsity cheerleading squad finished in fourth place last weekend in national competition

Anyone who missed the chance to see the squad perform last weekend in Orlando, Fla, or at a Salem varsity football or basketball game will be able to catch the show on ESPN The sports channel will air the competition, including Salem's performance, sometime in April

Two members of Salem's squad, Tony Peters and Jena Hilderley, finished first in pairs competition

Another Michigan cheerleading squad that did well was Utica's Eisenhower High School, which ranked fourth nationally in small-coed competition

Coach JoDee Dillon said much of the squad's "grunt work" was done during November, the off-season time



PAUL HURSCHMANN I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Salem High School cheerleaders perform Tuesday during half-time of the Rocks' basketball game against Canton The squad finished fourth in the national cheerleading championships in Orlando, Fla , last weekend.

between football and basketball season Squad members practiced nearly every day right up until heading down to Orlando

"They just worked so hard and were so focused,' Dillon said But the whole squad had a solid foundation, too, as Dillon noticed beginning last summer "When they were at cheer-

leading camp in Kentucky, their skill level was pretty high - and

continued to rise up," she said

Two other cheerleading pairs from Salem's varsity squad also competed in Orlando Seventhplace pairs honors went to Jason Kennison and Katie Morgan and ninth place went to Justin Groesbeck and Samie Stencel Choreographer Pat Bierne was at the helm in guiding the squad through the music, which was comprised of several different genres

Marılyn Morgan, mother of Salem cheerleader Katie Morgan, was on hand in Orlando to cheer on her daugh ter

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team," Morgan said "They wanted this They wanted to put the baskets Salem on the map'

Salem Varsity cheerleaders include Brendon Caryl, Lydia Dobson, Mike Elder, Justin Groesbeck, Jena Hilderley, Joe McGlinn, Katie Morgan, Brandy Wanniger, Nick Monaidis, Jason Kennison, Dylan Tobin, Kim Lindberg, Whitney Bennett, Kym Renski, Nicole Ret and Callie Kappler

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The organization is looking for the following

People to cook chili and bring it in for a tasting competition

Chili lovers willing to taste the entries and donate money, voting" with their cash contributions

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Major Jacque Hull explained that the local chapter must support Salvation Army World Services, missionaries who

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"Our share 1s about \$16,500 and I have vowed that we will raise that this year,' she said

Hull said they must work all year on making the money, and that the local unit must "do its fair share We don't have a choice'

The chili and basket auction is just one fund-raiser Another one - a grant garage sale at the Army's building - will be held this summer for the World Services mission

Anyone planning on having their chili judged should call the Salvation Army at (734) 453-5464 to reserve a space

The Army's signature Red Kettle Campaign raised about \$130,000 this year The agency serves clients in Plymouth, and Plymouth and Canton townships

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who pretended to be a 13-yearold girl from Southgate when approached on the Internet "We started a basic conversation and then he asked how old I was When I told him 13, he started talking sex and asking if I was starting to develop He wanted to meet on the day after our first chat

"The initial conversation lasted about two hours, and every time we talked it was about the same length," Johnson said "I talked with him on 11 different days before the arrest"

Johnson said most of the time Adlhoch would initiate the conversation, finding the "grfl" in a chat room Sometimes, Johnson would say "Hi" to see where the conversation would journey

"He chatted from his work computer, his home computer and on his cell phone, from which he had Internet access," Johnson added "One time he was apparently in the Southgate area because he wanted to meet in 10 minutes We got a crew out there, but he was already gone

"We didn t hear from him from four days, so I thought he spotted us," Johnson said "But, on Jan 27 we had another conversation and in the first six minutes he asked when we were going to meet"

Johnson said Adlhoch and the "girl" set up a date to meet, "but I blew him off He got upset, but I told him my mom came home

"On Feb 6, I told him I was planning to skip school with my best friend," Johnson said "He then asked if we could have a threesome So, we set up a meeting on Monday (Feb 10) at Taco Bell He was to meet us there, buy us lunch and go to my house afterwards

"He was late, so we wondered if he would really show up," Johnson said "He finally came in, looked around, and couldn't find two 13-year-old girls

UNDERPASS

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can find a way to make it happen, we need to do it," she said "But, we need a hard figure to see if we can fund our share"

Loiselle said he'd spend \$500,000, but "I'd have to take a serious look at it if they hike When he got on his cell phone to listen for messages, we approached him and asked him to step outside, where we cuffed him and placed him under arrest

"We searched his car and found a briefcase in the trunk. In it there was a sex toy and condoms," Johnson said

The Internet Crime Unit under former Sheriff Bob Ficano, now the Wayne County executive, had a 100 percent conviction rate with nearly 30 arrests since 1998, according to Johnson The unit headed by newly appointed Sheriff Warren Evans has caught four suspects in a five-week period

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the Internet Crime Unit,' Evans said "It's like patrolling a neighborhood, except it's on the Internet It has the same deterrent effect on crime Some criminals may stop for fear they might get caught '

Johnson said parents need to be aware of what their children are doing on the Internet to keep them away from predators

"Many children are naive about what's out there," Johnson said "If they education their children about what's right and wrong, they will let their parents know if they are approached, and we can stop this type of crime"

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Be on the lookout: chat concerns

The Wayne County Sheriff's Department offers the following dangers and risks for which parents should be on the lookout when their children are using Internet chat rooms

Offensive language and adult conversation

Because of its interactive nature, a chat room or chat group is the most likely activi-

ty online through which children will encounter people who want to harm them

■ Too much time on line limits a child's well-rounded development by taking the place of friends, schoolwork, sports and other activities Parenting Tips

Accompany your child into chat rooms, until he or she learns your safety rules Teach your child to never give out personal information such as his or her name or address, school name or address, or anything else that is personally identifying

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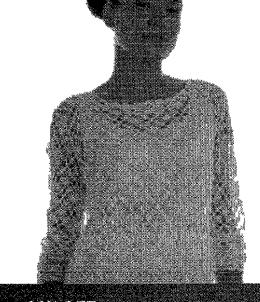
Set a rule that your child never arranges an in-person meeting

Limit your child to specific chat rooms or consider blocking out chat rooms entirely

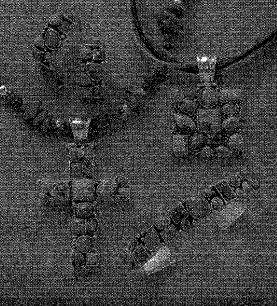
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the price" Commissioner Michele

Commissioner Michele Potter said the project has been postponed so many times, she just doesn't see it happening

"In these economic times, I think it's in the best financial interest to walk away from the project," she said

Meanwhile, Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann said the township remains committed to the underpass project

"The board has not considered pulling out of the underpass project, yet," Mann said "We made the commitment, and we'd like to stand by it if we can It's something that's been talked about for years, and it's never been this close to fruition"

Sincock said engineering designs have been completed for re-routing the city's water system when the 36-inch water main is moved However, it has yet to be tested to ensure sections of the city aren't left without water pressure

"They've come up with a design that seems to meet those requirements, but we need to build it and test it before we even consider taking the water main off the main supply line," Sincock said "Plus, the plans have not been approved, yet, by the state and city of Detroit"

Sincock indicated Detroit doesn't want the main line down during peak usage months, which are between May and September That's a good indication the project will be delayed until at least next fall

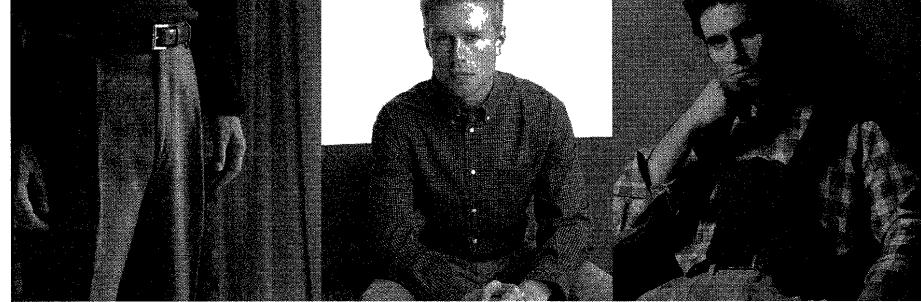
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Grandmother celebrates 103rd birthday Patterson bill would aid

BY SUE MASON STAFF WRITER

"Dıd you get my dımples?" asked Florence Neumann as her picture was being taken Dressed in her Sunday best, she was right where she wants to be - the center of attention

'She's the entertainment around here, said Melissa Fry, health care supervisor at the Grand Court on Joy Road in Westland

Neumann has a right to be the center of attention these days Her family recently gathered at the assisted living facility to help her celebrate her 103rd birthday

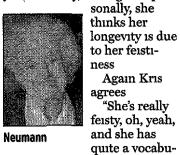
She may get her facts con fused, but is matter-of-fact about her birthday - Jan 27and that the secret of her longevity is praying

"That's the God's honest truth," she said 'I pray all the time

Her granddaughter, Kris Neumann of Plymouth, agrees

"Oh yes, she's a very devout Catholic," she said with a smile "Shes always saying her

prayers and doing the rosary She'll say, 'I'll say a prayer for you," said Fry, adding that per-



lary," she said

with a laugh Neumann was born Jan 27, 1900, and was the thirdyoungest of John and Monica Embach's 12 children She grew up in Corktown – "on Church Street," she says – and attended St Boniface Catholic School "We had seven, eight bed-

rooms," Neumann said about the home she grew up in "Seven up, one down" Kris shakes her head

"All I know 1s that 1t had a lot of bedrooms," she adds

She shakes her head again when her grandmother talks about the time she danced with

Fred Astaire at a Knights of Columbus Ball in Grosse Pointe when she was 16

"She danced with everyone and danced a lot at the Detroit Yacht Club, but I don't think she ever danced with Fred Astaire," she said "She did get to meet Coleman Young once' She also shakes her head as Neumann rattles off her full name - Florence Marie Leona Margaret Monica Embach Neumann The middle names are in a slightly different order, but that's OK, Kris said

After graduation from St Boniface, Neumann went to business school and, following graduation, took a job as a legal secretary with Union Trust, a Detroit title company

She married her late husband, George Neumann Jr, on Sept 25, 1927, and quit working to raise their three children - George and John, who flew in from Florida for the celebration, and MaryAnn, who is deceased

After World War II, she returned to work as a secretary for the Detroit Board of

Education and became a charter member of the Michigan Education Association before returing in the 1960s

'She's amazed she still gets a pension from the school board after all these years,' Fry said

The family lived in Detroit for 50 years before moving to Dearborn Heights in 1980 She moved to the Grand Court seven years ago after her husband died on Oct 14, 1996

Neuman has 11 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren who live in Farmington, Plymouth, Bloomfield and elsewhere in Wayne, Oakland and Livingston counties

Staffers say she sits in the lobby and talks with people, she doesn't want to be bothered with Bingo She loves jewelry and proudly shows off a small heart pendant that her son purchased and that, she says, was "blessed by the pope"

"She's a fashion queen," said Fry 'She does a lot for herself at 103 She's one of my favorites'

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seniors with drug costs

State Senator Bruce

Patterson, R, Canton, has introduced a bill allowing Michigan to create a multi-state consortium to purchase drugs at cost and then pass along the savings to seniors

"Prescription drug costs appear to be excessively high and are unaffordable for many of our seniors," Patterson said 'This piece of legislation will alleviate some of the burden our seniors continually face when purchasing their prescriptions"

The bill allows for states to band together to purchase drugs from pharmaceutical manufacturers or wholesale distributors at bulk prices in order to lower costs for seniors It calls for a system to be established to distribute products and services to qualifying seniors

Under the legislation, qualifying seniors must be 50 or older and have an income at or below the federal poverty line

"Semors have come to me with their concerns and I am

pleased to be able to offer this bill as a step in the right direction towards lowering the cost of prescription drugs In this difficult economy, we need to be creative to help our constituents," Patterson said

OUT-OF-STATE TRASH

He has also introduced a resolution today that would give Michigan the authority to ban out-of-state solid waste dumping as soon as Congress amends federal law

"Michigan has been forced to become one of the largest dumping grounds of imported solid waste in the country This is unacceptable," Patterson said "Being forced to accept unlimited volumes of garbage from outside our state is a serious long-term problem" Patterson said "It would seem that with the long-term effects placed on Michigan, we should have the ability to regulate what comes across state and international borders



Lucille V. Fisch

Services for Lucille Fisch, 89, of Plymouth were held Feb 8 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev F Richard Pickelhaupt officiating Burial was at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Detroit

Mrs Fisch was born May 6, 1913, in Portland, Ore, and died Feb 5, 2003, in Plymouth

She had lived in Plymouth for 16 years Mrs Fisch was a member of P1 Kappa S1gma (National Teacher's Sorority) at Wayne State University She has a elementary teaching degree from Wayne State She taught early elementary school in the Detroit Public Schools for six years She was also a member of the Pinochle Card Club, Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Detroit for 57 years Her hobbies included piano, cards, gardening, and cooking

Mrs Fisch was preceded in death by her husband, Edward J Fisch

Survivors include sons, Edward (Carol) Fisch, Jr of Sarasota, Fla and Richard (Karin) Fisch of Canton, grandsons, Tom (Jennifer) Fisch, Mike Fisch, Brad (Kristin) Fisch, and Jeff (Halle) Fisch, stepgranddaughter, Lea Langenburg, and great-grandson, Brayden Riley Fisch

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kidney Foundation of Michigan, 2350 S Huron Parkway, Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

Delmar W. Cockrum

Services for Delmar Cockrum, 83, of Plymouth, were held Feb 4 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev Doc Ortman officiating Burial was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield

Mr Cockrum was born Aug 4, 1919, in Kansas City, Mo, and died Feb 1, 2003, in Plymouth He was a farmer He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel, and a veteran of World War II

Survivors include wife, Lena Cockrum of Plymouth, daughters, Carmen (Brent) Cording of Livonia, Bernadine (Herb) Dean of South Lyon, and Mary (Tim) Moyer of Grass Lake, sons, Joseph Curmi of

Canton, George Curmi of Calif, Jean Curmi of Plymouth, and Michael Curmi of Rochester Hills, brother, John Cockrum, sister, Mary Grimes, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren Arrangements made by

Vermeulen Funeral Home

Elizabeth Jane Schomberger Services for Elizabeth

Schomberger, 78, of Plymouth were held Feb 10 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev Doc Ortman officiating Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth

Mrs Schomberger was born Dec 12, 1924, in Toledo, Ohio, and died Feb 6, 2003, in Superior Township She was a custodian at East Middle School and Central Middle School, returing after 20 years of service She came to the Plymouth community in 1945 from Dearborn She was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church in Plymouth since 1945 She enjoyed volunteering at church, casino gambling, traveling, and going to antique auctions She was a great cook, and was famous in the family for her apple pie

Mrs Schomberger was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, James Schomberger

Survivors include sons, James and Robert Schomberger of Plymouth, daughter, Christine (Randolph) Battersby of Northville, two grandchildren, and sisters, Eleanor Russ of Dearborn Hts and Esther Balcerzak of Temperance

Memorial contributions may be given to the Capuchins, 1740 Mt Elliott Avenue, Detroit, Mi 48207-3496

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Lehmon C. Clark

Services for Lehmon Clark, 85, of Plymouth, on Feb 4 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with Mr John Paton officiating Burial was at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth

Mr Clark was born March 29, 1917, in Geneva County, Ala, and died Feb 1, 2003, in Plymouth He was a machine operator in the steel industry He was a member of

NorthRidge Church and served in the US Navy

Mr Clark was preceded in death by his son, Bob Clark and daughter, Patricia Lynn Clark

OBITUARIES

Survivors include wife, Thelma L Clark of Plymouth, daughter, Carolyn (Douglas) Dent of South Lyon, son, Richard A (Diane) Clark of Atlanta, Ga, sisters, Pauline Froehlich, Irene Adkins, and Lucille Wood, brothers, Nelson Clark, Lloyd Clark and Wade Clark, granddaughter, Emily Davis, and grandson, Jonathan Davis

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburg Road, Livonia, Mi 48154-5010

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Phyllis June Olson

Services for Phyllis Olson, 78, of Plymouth, were held Feb 13 at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Roy Forsyth officiating Burial was at Acacia Park Cemetery in Birmingham

Mrs Olson was born April 15, 1924, in Detroit and died Feb 9, 2003, in Livonia She was a loving wife and mother as well as homemaker She came to the Plymouth community in 1974 from Detroit She was a member of Newburg United Methodist Church She enjoyed knitting, crocheting, china painting, ceramics, and gardening

Mrs Olson was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Earl Survivors include son, Mark (Denise) Olson of Canton

Memorial contributions may be made to the Terry B Gould Trust, 3550 Eight Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48335 (attention Myra Zolynski) This memorial is in sup port of organ donations Arrangements made by Schrader-

Howell Funeral Home

Robert L. Sockow

Services for Robert Sockow, 83, of Canton were held Feb 11 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev Drex Morton officiating Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth

Mr Sockow was born May 5, 1919, in Plymouth and died Feb 8,

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2003, in Westland He was a machine repairman at the Burroughs Corporation in Plymouth for 33 years He was a life-long Plymouth resident He served in the US Army Air Corp during World War II

He and his family built their home in Plymouth and enjoyed helping others with their home con struction He loved to travel In his later years, he enjoyed doing needlepoint He had a great sense of humor and will be missed by the family and friends that loved him Survivors include wife of 53 years,

Leslie Sockow of Westland, son, Paul (Pam) Sockow of Canton, five grandchildren, and two greatgrandchildren

Memorial contributions may be made to the Karmanos Cancer Institute, 485 S Main, Plymouth, Mich 48170

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home

Anna Mathews

Services for Anna Mathews, 87, of Plymouth will be held Friday, Feb 14, at 10 a m at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with interment at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth

Mrs Mathews was born Sept 30, 1915, in Wilkes-Barre, Pa, and died Feb 10, 2003

Mrs Mathews was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years. Thomas L. Mathews, Sr, brothers, Alex, Joseph and John Kopacz, and sisters, Mary Petro, Helen Levandoski, and Verna Becoskey

Survivors include daughter, Elaine A (Terry) Hoffman, daughter, Joan M Mathews son, Thomas L (June) Mathews, Jr, sisters, Julia (John) Wido, Gusta Petro, and Mildred Gomez, brother, James Kopacz, seven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association Michigan Chapter, 107 Aprill Drive, Ann Arbor, M1 48103 Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

Staley won't seek more time on school board

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools Trustee Marcy Staley will not be seeking re-election

Staley said she will use the time to care for her mother, who has been diagnosed with macular degeneration

'She already has lost about 90 percent vision in one eye, and in all likelihood will lose the same amount in the other eye,' said Staley, a Canton resident I want to be able to take care of her Family is always first and foremost

Staley was appointed to fill the seat vacated by Steve Guile in December 2001 She then ran in June 2002 for the one-year unexpired term, defeating Debia Madonna

I will miss being on the board," Staley said 'I ve enjoyed my tenure, as short as it might seem to some people If you add it on to the time I've spent on the housing committee and community council, it s been a long career

"I m not going to disappear, but I'm going to find something that will give me more flexibility in my schedule and allow me to take care of her," she said You only get one chance to take care of your parents, and I want to do that '

While budget issues have been difficult in the recent past for the Board of Education, Staley said her toughest moments are dealing with expulsions of students

Expulsion hearings are very, very difficult," she said 'When a kid is in that type of crisis situation, to see that type of failure close and personal

On the upside of that, my favorite thing is a readmittance hearing,' added Staley, "when somebody has made a mistake and found a way to turn themselves around

Staley said she believes the Plymouth-Canton school district is poised for greatness

Opening three schools in three years and being able to do it on time and under budget speaks volumes about what we're able to do here," she said I think we'll do really well"

There will be two, 4 year seats up for grabs in the June 9 election Mark Slavens, who is completing a four-year term, said he'll decide in a few weeks whether to seek re-election

Elections Clerk Elizabeth Adams said election information will be available at the school administration offices in early March

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our views Is underpass a need, or a want?

Having a nice, new underpass at the railroad crossing would be a nice luxury for city and township travelers, but there comes a point when it becomes a luxury, not a necessity

And we've reached that point

In case you missed it, the \$9 million project to alleviate traffic problems along Sheldon Road caused by lengthy trains still hasn't begun It has been slowed by engineering problems, by decisions on how to adequately provide water to the area once the project begins and, quite frankly, by the foot-dragging of CSX officials

Negotiations between Wayne County, which is managing the project, and the railroad have taken longer than expected, or is necessary CSX is on the hook for the smallest portion of the project, yet railroad officials still haven't signed the necessary agreements that would allow the project to move forward

Meanwhile, Plymouth Township has committed about \$1 million to the project, and the city of Plymouth has set aside more than \$500,000. Officials in both municipalities would like to see the project move forward, because it would be of great benefit to their residents

However, at some point both governments must reevaluate their positions on the project Gov Jennifer Granholm is going to make budget cuts soon, and all indications are that state revenue sharing is going to be hit hard

With a dwindling pot from which to yank cold, hard cash, officials in both the city and township are going to have to make cold, hard decisions on this project. It's already getting near the point where it will have to be delayed until at least the fall — Detroit Water officials say the 36-inch main that must be moved can't be touched between May and September, which it calls peak water season — if it gets off the ground at all this year

The county recently submitted another cost to the city, some \$85,000 for right-of-way acquisition. The city may also have to pay to move the water main (although it could sue Detroit Water for that cost post-project)

Does the city commission vote to continue this project, or does it want to pave local city streets? There's almost certainly not going to be enough money for both, and we believe the city must take care of its local needs before worrying about a luxury

The township doesn't have the same concern, because it doesn't pave local streets However, the township stands to lose a significant portion of its state revenue sharing funds, and may have to make a decision on the underpass in the not-too-distant future

It's time for CSX to stand up and do what's right for the project In any event, officials in both the city and township must weigh need against want before deciding whether this project is worth it after all

Good teachers needed

I am a senior at Salem High School, my fourth year at the school and at the park During these past four years, I have had many teachers, some wonderful, some good, and some, which I did not think, were so good or wonderful This physics teacher is one of the wonderful teachers

He has been a teacher at the park for many years, over these years, he has provided his students with an understanding of physics Physics is an obscure concept to many of us and he uses demonstrations to show how relevant the subject is to us in our daily lives These demonstrations make the class fun and exciting, his enthusiasm and energy for the subject is one reason so many students actually enjoy his classes

Perhaps he should have requested permission to use the BB gun for the demonstration, even though it had been allowed in previous years I am sure that he would never intentionally violate a school rule or protocol and his focus was on the preparation for the demonstration He is very conscious of our safety during these demonstrations and

LETTERS

longevity, influence and power?

With the threat of war with Iraq looming, sights like this are becoming more common, with gas prices jumping with every new speculation

Mr Engler is a brilliant factician, astute politician and a master manipulator of his supporters. No doubt many of his accomplishments were of decided benefit to the "state" as a whole Certainly a list of his credentials and credits should be readily available And certainly the phrase "you got game" is mappropriate for a man of his stature.

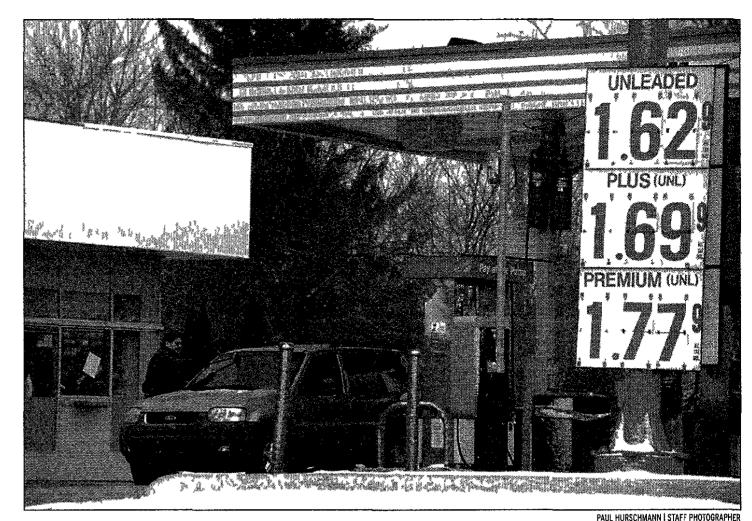
However, "how" the game is played and the consistency of the rules might well be examined Does expediency, "practicality" and expansion of power take precedence above helping those least able to protect themselves or eke out even the most meager existence? Compassionate use of power should not be confused with abuse of power

Many worthy politicians, if not all from time to time, utilize the "buily pulpit" advantageously No party preference is singled out or exempted in this context Persuasion, cajoling and the practice of trading support or exchange of votes on crucial issues is not new or evil The "correct" vote The final tally appears to be what really matters But who are the perennial losers in this process? What is haps in the evening hours and after renotifying school administrators of his intent

Does it sound as if I found no fault at all? It should, because I don't think that some of the shrill voices from either side of this argument should take center stage here We don't need to bash Mr Rea, the parent who made the wise call to the police, or the staff and police officers that responded We also need to credit our students and faculty at P-CEP for the way they conduct themselves on a daily basis

Sure, there are minor conduct problems at P-CEP, every school has them But, if you recall, in Columbine and other similar events, there existed a very real and pervasive "pecking order" or caste system pitting groups of students against one another To my knowledge, P-CEP doesn't have this dynamic

occurring in their student community Canton may be a "low-crime bedroom community," but the majority of communities that have experienced mass shootings at the workplace and at schools have been just that. Additionally, we need not make this a call for additional laws, controls, or "zero tolerance" nonsense from the "ban everything possibly dangerous" crowd I'm pleased to see that for once, law enforcement (prosecutors) are going to apply the "spirit" of the law instead of the "letter" of the law The bottom line is, no one was hurt and our police department delivered a quality response proving that recent expenditures in tactical training and facilities are not only prudent, but necessary in this day and age Public attacks and name-calling leveled against our police department are both immature and unnecessary. As both a parent of a student at P-CEP and one with experience in similar law enforcement tactics, I know the risks of having our officers clear a school full of children and support such measures being taken and feel relieved that we have such assets here in our community. I wouldn't want just anyone attempting to locate a firearm and endangering my child's life without the proper training Perhaps other communities can learn from Canton's response and the way we handled this event I hope they do so, by learning from cooler heads and not the shrill voices of editors with agendas or citizens that go overboard with melodramatic comments without any personal knowledge, education or training with which to back those accusations up



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Granholm offers a bipartisan challenge

Gov Jennifer Granholm made no attempt to sugar coat a bad situation

She has inherited a budget disaster This year's state budget will fall \$285 million short, including a constitutionally mandated cut of \$127 million in school aid She has asked the legislature to pass an executive order to cut \$158 million from the general fund

But things will only get worse The projected budget deficit for the 2004 budget which begins in October is \$17 billion.

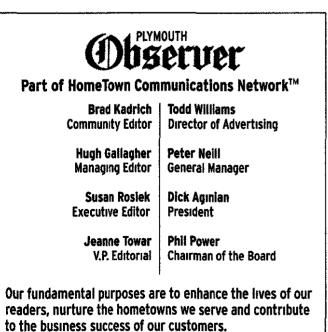
In her State of the State address, the governor told state lawmakers and citizens that as required by law she would present a balanced budget proposal March 1

"Though I did not cause this problem, I will see that we fix it," she said

The Democratic governor has to work her budget through a Republican-dominated legislature

Last week, she paid the legislators a compliment that was also a challenge. "Together, we will have to work hard We have to innovate, and we will have to act as one community – especially here in this building I applaud the Republican leadership of Sen. (Ken) Sikkema and Speaker (Rick) Johnson for their willingness to work with this Democrat and Michigan's Democrats, to move beyond partisanship, faction, friction and ego to achieve common ground We were elected as Democrats and Republicans, but we serve as Michiganians and Americans"

Her plans to blend private initiative with streamlined government programs should stimulate true bipartisan programs



would never put a student in harm's way

I also have great respect for the student's mother that called the police She wasn't just dropping off her child at the school, she was paying attention and helping to ensure all the students' safety at the park.

I am proud of the way the school and local law enforcement officers reacted, had the circumstances been different their actions would have prevented another disaster such as took place at other schools around the country in the past few years

I just hope that you maintain perspective when considering further reaction to this situation because we need teachers like him

Stephanie Kivell

Plymouth

Legacy debate

We can expect and, in some cases, require substantive discussion and debate regarding major issues or events Particularly noteworthy is the "changing of the guard" at the pinnacle of power in Lansing

This observer offers some additional comment, not new certainly, but perhaps more specific or pointed The background, current status, and departure of Mr Engler has been well-documented Such is particularly true in the local press However, when the terms legacy and legendary are bandied about (perhaps somewhat prematurely) one might pause and at least take a breath

Is it not true that one of the early accomplishments of the governor's tenure was, in effect, the release or removal of mentally disadvantaged from current housing to fend for themselves? Maybe a bit abruptly? Many with no satisfactory place to go?

Is it not also true Mr Engler was quite adept at demeaning and demonizing the public school teacher for inferred attitudes, motivations and actions? Substantiation of many of these allegations, and insimuations unworthy of the public, were few and slow in coming Nothing like having a public servant scapegoat

Is it not at least conceivable that the governor's debt to big business and its continued profiteering at the expense of the "little" man, i e, the lower middle and below income groups, are factors in his the human cost in the long haul? The most vulnerable in society, the defenseless, the have-nots who have no effective means to cry out or be heard

The governor's legacy is a work in progress and best left to the historians At this juncture, one might offer the "trite" comment Does the end justify any means? (statement modified to make a point) In the minds of the wealthy, privileged and powerful, perhaps Another thought might be related to a degree All is fair in love, war and politics Will the status quo ever change?

> Joe Henshaw Plymouth

Others could learn

A few of the letters and a column by Brad Kadrich concerning teacher Steve Rea bringing a BB gun to school deserve some comment

I would like to commend the anonymous parent who made the right decision to call police the morning the incident happened When firearms are involved, or the assumption that one is, prompt and decisive action needs to be taken I also believe, despite what one writer shared, that our police department's tactical response was appropriate

If you recall, during the Columbine incident, tactical officers were reluctant to do what they are trained to do, and that is to secure an area, and systematically search and clear that area room by room to allow for safe exit of students and staff as well as dealing with the perpetrator(s)

Our officers did just that, and did so as a result of lessons learned, training and cooperation with school officials and not from a desire to "play SWAT team" for any cameras or media coverage From what we have been told, the

From what we have been told, the school staff and local law enforcement officials responded admirably and quickly enough to resolve the situation As for teacher Steve Rea, I think that as another writer mentioned, he should be commended for his desire to use innovative ways to teach our children

I'm sure that if he had to do this all over again (bring the BB gun to school), he would do it again, but only differently, per-

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"I was looking around, asking other couples how to propose. I wanted to do something totally off the wall ... I'm not really the one always romantic. I just come up with things in spurts to keep things alive."

- Michael Simpson, Observer Lessons in Love winner

OTHER OPINIONS

Granholm's speech breaks the pattern

s I watched Gov Jennifer Granholm deliver her outwork me, outrun me or outhustle me when it A State of the State speech last week, I realized that over the years I've heard a fair number of SOS speeches given by various Michigan governors

G Mennen "Soapy" Williams' nasal twine disguised the bluest of blood mixed with an emerging citizen-participation Democratic Party that clashed repeatedly with a highly partisan, GOPdominated Legislature George Romney, who



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rode to office on a reform movement called "Citizens for Michigan," offered a less-partisan but higher-key salesmanship Republican Bill Milliken, facing a Democratic Legislature, was low-key and bipartisan, reaching out to suburban voters and "Milliken Democrats'

In more recent years, Jim Blanchard's State of the State Phil speeches often wound up as mind-numbing catalogs of ideas, programs and initiatives, some of us even referred to them as a list-

ing of "Jim's greatest hits" Of course, Blanchard faced a state budget crisis situation nearly as grievous as that confronting Granholm today His solution — hiking the state income tax rate — made perfectly good sense as public financial policy But it also was a political disaster that led to the recall of two Democratic senators The state Senate has been Republican ever since, and don't you think for a second that Gov Granholm has forgotten that episode

John Engler's SOS speeches tended to be pragmatic, detailed, remorselessly partisan, occasionally brutal He was a magnificently political politician, a master of the legislative process, a toughminded hardball player Mixed with tax-cutting rhetoric, Engler's speeches were full of specific legislative proposals and detailed programs

Neither Engler's nor Blanchard's speeches were particularly inspiring and, excepting Englers ceaseless emphasis on tax cutting, none were particularly focused And neither of them was particularly effective or emotional in their delivery

Granholm's speech was quite different It was capably written, warmly delivered and well-received - she was interrupted more than 50 times for applause Granholm's speech even reached for inspiration in setting out Michigan values of hard work and grit and in inclusively reaching out to the variety and creativity of Michigan citizens for their help in getting through a very, very difficult budget problem The stuff about using up every old pad of paper, even with "Gov John Engler" on it, was just great She was tightly focused

Jobs and economic development "No one will

comes to keeping or bringing good jobs to this state"

The environment Granholm's high-powered panel on land use (co-chaired by Milliken and former Attorney General Frank Kelley) will for the first time seriously address the long-festering problem of sprawl

Lastly, human capital, especially early childhood education "By the time a child arrives for kindergarten, 85 percent of the brain is developed," she said "If a brain is purposely stimulated and nurtured before a child is old enough to tie his or her shoes, that child's lifelong capacity to learn will be forever enhanced And, unfortunately, if it is not, an opportunity is lost forever"

Most political observers praised the speech, using terms ranging from "inspiring" to "wellintended" Republicans grumbled that the speech was short on specifics If I were facing a next year's deficit of nearly \$2 billion, I wouldn't be very specific either I seem to recall an old lawyer's advice that "if you've got the law on your side, argue the law, if you don't, go promptly to emotion

I also suspect there is a very interesting core of novel thinking lurking in the interstices of this budget crisis, one that Granholm hinted at in her speech

For years and years, virtually all state government budgetary activity has been incrementalist, i e, cut this by X percent, increase that by Y percent. Very rarely has either governor or Legislature shown the political will or the conceptual imagination to deviate from this routine But this budget crisis is so severe -the projected deficit for the next fiscal year is nearly 20 percent of the total state general fund - that the consequence of necessity may turn out to be a radical rethinking of what state government should or should not do and how to go about doing it

Granholm and her husband, Dan Mulhern, are both extraordinarily smart and imaginative It would be not beyond their capacity to have in the back of their minds creating an unusual platform for a Democratic politician, one that actually forces a fundamental and strategic rethinking of how government ought to work By so doing, they would escape the "tax and spend" tag with which big-government Democrats have been labeled for decades and at the same time advocate for a government that carries out its important functions in a focused and cost-efficient way

Hang on. The politics - not to mention the speeches of the next four years might turn out to be very different than anything we have seen in Michigan so far.

Phil Power is the chairman of the board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your reac tions to this column either at (734) 953 2047 or at ppower@homecomm net

Like old times in Ann Arbor as people gather to protest

t was almost like old times

Ann Arbor was alive again to the sounds of anti-war protesters Saturday They assembled in groups from different ends of the downtown and gathered in front of the Federal Building It was deja vu

Imaginative demonstrators carried a fabric bomb and another group carried a papiermache Mother Nature puppet The signs ranged from the mane, "Iraqus are people, too," to the crudely effective, "Bush, Cheney, Rumsfield, The Asses of Evil

Overhead, there was an air battle Two pro-

war planes proclaimed "Saddam, Step Down," and "Protesters Promote War --Period" and an anti-war plane encouraged those on the ground to join the movement

A car carrying a middleaged man on his way downtown offered another point of view On the left hand side, a bumper sticker read "A Vet for George W Bush" and on the right, a bumper sticker featured The New

York Times nameplate on one side and on the other the words "Left of Lenin" on a bold red background with a hammer and sickle

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The local newspaper put the number of demonstrators at 2,000 but that seems generous It was probably in the low hundreds It was not nearly as many as were gathered a mile away at Crisler to watch the basketball game

Still, they did have enough protesters to form a giant peace sign on the Diag It was a formation that would have satisfied the director of the U-M Marching Band in its precision

But, unlike the early demonstrations against the war in Vietnam, this was a mixed crowd Maybe a third were students There were also young parents with their children, giving them a taste of democracy in action There were older people, who probably marched against the war when they were students There were people from the Muslim community

As the marchers made their way down Liberty, a lone man stood with a large American flag in one hand and a sign in the other, proclaiming "I support the President' An older marcher stopped to discuss their difference of opinion He was joined by another marcher who also carried a flag, with the stars arranged as a peace sign, and a sign warning people not to wrap themselves in the flag in blind acceptance of US policy

Vietnam provided a template for protest. The first protests against that war came from the hard left - democratic socialists, communists, Trotskeyites - and the "new leftists," young people inspired by the civil rights movement, flirting with socialism as an antidote to grasping capitalism, and a few true pacifists Every social movement and innovation starts at the fringe

They were joined in time by thousands of young people who just didn't want to die in a war they didn't understand and by traditional liberals, usually the major champions of American defense, who questioned the legitimacy of the war's goals Finally, they were joined by fathers and mothers, disgruntled vets, retired people with time on their hands to lick envelopes

Many Americans learned that it was OK to protest government policies They learned that loving America and blindly following the current administration are not the same thing That notion has been under attack recently by the Bush administration and Attorney General John Ashcroft But there are more people than ever willing to put it to the test It's a lesson that will get a serious workout in the weeks and months ahead

For now, President Bush is seen as a strong leader He responded forcefully after the Sept 11 attacks His shift from hunting the terrorists to going after Saddam has met with resistance but has not seriously eroded his support

Polls show most Americans back President Bush but want him to act in cooperation with the United Nations Most Americans trust that Saddam Hussein is an evil, mentally unstable man, who either has or recently had weapons of mass destruction They might be wary of the motives of the President and Vice President, but they have a deep respect for the Secretary of State, who has until recently been a voice of moderation

But when saber rattling turns to bombs and American airmen and soldiers are killed in action, the mood will change If America becomes bogged down in a ground war, the poll numbers will plummet If it turns out that the threat of deadly weapons was a ruse to free up oil deposits, the consequences could be devastating

But for now, the American people are willing to wait, watch and trust In time, they may be willing to carry a sign and march

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The Michigan Humane Society Cruelty Investigation team, based at the Detroit shelter, appears on the Animal Planet series Animal Cops

'Animal Cops' receives 2003 Genesis Award

The Animal Planet series Animal Cops, featuring the Michigan Humane Society's Cruelty Investigators, has received the prestigious 2003 Genesis Award in the category of Outstanding Reality Programming

The 2003 Genesis Awards, sponsored by The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), acknowledge outstanding members of the major media and entertainment community who have helped raise public consciousness of animal issues

"As a 126-year-old organization, the Michigan Humane Society is grateful for this opportunity to reach the broad Animal Planet audience with our mes sages regarding the humane treatment of animals," says Cal Morgan, Executive Director of the Michigan Humane Society "This award is a testament to the critical efforts of the Michigan Humane Society Cruelty Investigators, certainly, but also to the vision of Animal Planet and producers Anglia Television in bringing this real life drama into people's homes in an enlightening way'

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Nominees for the 2003 Genesis Awards included works aired or released in 2002 and were chosen by the Genesis Awards Committee, a group of 17 activists and volunteers working within the humane movement Last summer, The Ark Trust, Inc., presenter of the Genesis

Awards for the past 16 years, joined forces with HSUS, which is not affiliated with Michigan Humane Society, changing its name to The HSUS Hollywood Office The Seventeenth Annual Genesis Awards celebration will be held on March 15, 2003 in Beverly Hills, California and will air nationwide on Animal Planet

on May 1 at 10 p m EST November 2002 began the first full season of 10 Animal Cops episodes Beginning February 24, catch the Michigan Humane Society Cruelty Investigators in the four remaining new episodes on Mondavs from 10-11 p m EST on Animal Planet.

For more information regarding the work of the Michigan Humane Society and the dedicated men and women of the Society's Cruelty Investigation team, visit the Michigan Humane Society web site at www.michiganhumane.org

Animal Cops is a production of Anglia Television - a division of United Film and Television for Animal Planet Animal Planet, available in more than 80 million homes nationwide, is the only television network dedicated exclusively to the connection between humans and animals Discovery Networks, US, a unit of Discovery Communications, Inc, operates and manages the Anımal Planet channel

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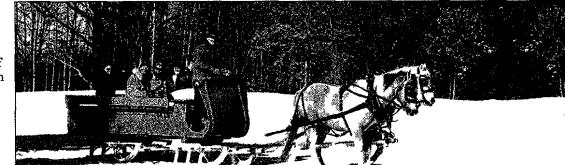
Dude ranch doubles as year-round camp

BY SHARON DARGAY STAFF WRITER

Make no mistake about it, the Double JJ ranch north of Muskegon 1s all resort - from its cozy cabins and upscale condominiums to its tubing hills, horseback riding trails and snowmobile course

But to owner Robert Lipsitz of Bloomfield Hills, the sprawling family playground - a 65-year-old former summer-only dude ranch - reminds him of camp

"We're a very groupies place Our dining rooms don't have tables for four They're all sixes and eights That's because it's a camp



Guests experience the romance of winter on an old-fashioned sleigh ride at the Double JJ Resort

LONG HISTORY

The couple bought the property in 1988 after Lipsitz left his directorship at Camp Tamarack He planned to turn the dude ranch, which opened in 1937, into a boot camp for troubled boys He contracted with the state to open a facility, but when it restricted funding, continued to operate as a recreational facility "We're the fourth family to own it in seven years It was an operating dude ranch - and had been since the '70s - for adults From troubled youth to troubled adults - there really was no difference The only difference was when you wanted to send them home, you didn't have to call their parents," he said, laughing "In the 1930s, it was called the Jack and Jill Ranch and

DOUBLE JJ RESORT

What: Year round resort in Rothbury north of Muskegon Winter fun. Includes snowmobiling, horse-drawn sleigh rides, horseback riding, dog sled rides and instruction snow tubing, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and a weekend dinner theater Barefoot in the Park runs through March 9 Summer fun: The summer ranch May-October offers a variety of events and activities - horseback riding, rodeo, water slides talent shows campfire sing-alongs dances, golf, archery rifle range, swimming hole canoes paddleboats rowboats shuffleboard Accommodations: RV park cabins (no TV or radios) loft hotel, condominiums and ranch bunkhouse Teepee and wagons for summer use only Winter specials: Dinner theater package includes overnight stay, dinner and theater for two at \$109 per night The Sweethearts Package starts at \$69 per night runs Wednesday through Sunday and includes a loft hotel room and prime rib dinner For \$139 per night a couple can buy one night's lodging dinner for two, a bottle of champagne and two commemorative glasses Reservations: PO Box 94 Rothbury, MI 49425.

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Contest opens doors for minority musicians

Aaron Dworkin is working toward a goal He's hoping to attract people of all colors to the classical music stage and audience It seems we share a dream

Although diversity in the classical music world has come a long way in the 12 1/2years that I've been covering arts for the Observer & Eccentric, it's rare for me to write about an event with an African-American or minority theme outside of February

Don't get me wrong I think it's great that more and more concerts are being scheduled during Black History Month I'd just like to see them occur regularly throughout the year

That's why Dworkin's Sphinx competition for young black and Latino string musicians is so important In the six years since Dworkin founded Sphinx, he's seen a 25 percent increase in applicants, several of whom have gone on to top music schools including Juilliard in Manhattan More qualified minority students means more qualified minority musicians performing with major orchestras

EARLY YEARS

Dworkin grew up learning to play violin in Manhattan He eventually moved to Hershey, Pa., and later to northern Michigan to attend Interlochen Arts Academy for

Christian rock

Pillar a two time Dove Award winning band per forms as part of the See Spot Rock Tour at 7 30 p m It's really a camp for adults," Lipsitz said

"It's just fun I went to Camp Tamarack (1n Ortonville) for years Then I became a dishwasher there and then I was a counselor there and a supervisor My parents for years said, 'When are you going to get a real job?' I graduated from Michigan State with a degree in recreation and natural resources I ended up here - a camp for adults

"I just never left camp" Lipsitz and his wife, Joan, drive three hours from their Bloomfield Hills home to the resort every weekend in winter and stay there full time during summer

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Related event: Honors concert, noon Thursday, Feb 13, Power Center, Ann Arbor No charge



(doors open at 6 30 pm) Friday Feb 14 at Northridge Church 49555 N Territorial Plymouth OC Supertones Relient K. Sanctus Real and John Reuben also will per form Tickets are \$1950 in advance and \$23 on show day (800) 585-3737 or (734) 414 7777

Wannabe detective is clueless in 'P.I. Blues'

BY LANA MINI STAFF WRITER

Imagine an independent film shot in metro Detroit that isn't dark or gritty Quite the contrary, PI Blues is a refreshing romantic comedy

The by-invitation-only premiere of the Michigan-made film is Tuesday, Feb 18 at the Emagine Theatre in Novi It opens to the public Friday, Feb 21, and is expected to run several weeks

John DeMerell, of Farmington Hills, plays the lead role of Lenny Fritz He says PI Blues

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It's a classic story of good vs evil but even the villains are likable characters in the locally-made comedy, P / Blues, that makes its debut in this month P / Blues is a fun story of a clumsy detective wannabe who gets involved with the wrong woman in a missing person case gone wrong



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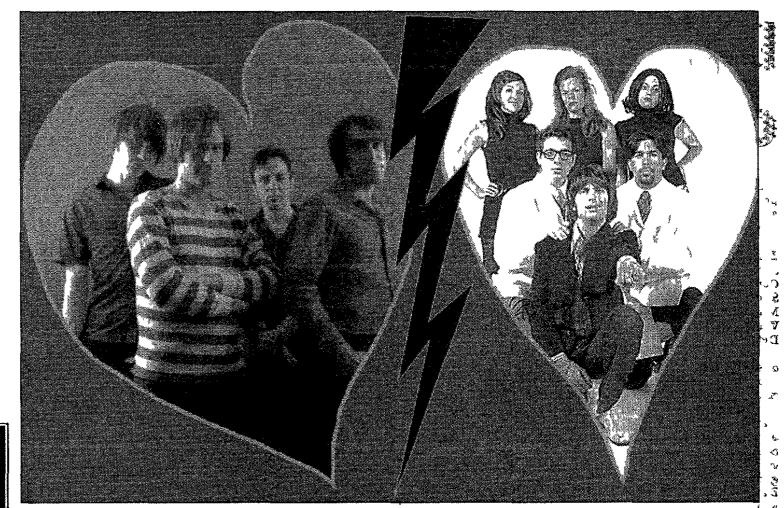
two years From there he went on to earn music degrees at the University of Michigan In every place Dworkin studied music, he was the only one, or among a handful of minorities

"I wondered why was that the case and how could I impact that, not only for musicians, but those in the audience,' said Dworkin. "Our goal is to build diversity The two largest, most under-represented groups, are blacks and Latinos Of the major orchestras only 11/2 percent are black, 11/2 percent Latino We want to build drversity in classical music, increase awareness in young children I tell them it's not a white European thing but

has a rich history Sphinx is more than a competition Programs, including visits to schools, are offered

year-round 'We've made strides It was basically unheard of six years ago for a black or Latino string musician to solo with an orchestra Now they've performed with at least 20 major orchestras," said Dworkin Ten years down the road, I hope to see diversity on stage, and in the audience, also music being written by black and Latino composers, and performed at concerts not just during Black History Month '

Know of an interesting story? Call Observer & Eccentric arts reporter Linda Ann Chomin at (734) 953 2145 or send e mail to Ichomin@ oe homecomm net



Share some rock candy this Valentine's Day as The Witches (left) and esQuire (right) perform at Detroit's Lager House



Spend Valentine's night with The Witches

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA STAFF WRITER

Detroit's Lager House might not be the most romantic destination when it comes to that heart candy-coated holiday, but it's the place to be this year

The Witches will host a second annual Valentine's Rock n Roll Eggstravaganza tomorrow night Yes, you read that right

The band – singer Troy Gregory, guitarist Johnny Nashinal, bassist Phil Skarich and drummer Eugene Strobe originated this love-fest last year and deemed it 'a show for the ladies'

Women will be admitted free, and receive a Valentine gift The Witches headline this rock event, supported by 'The boy who invented rap," better

known as esQuire, and DJ Larry Ray of Outrageous Cherry

Leave it to this spooky fourpiece to plan a bevy of activities for Feb 14, including the return of Santa's Kissing Chair

Skarich, who will also be celebrating his birthday on Valentine's Day, said the band "originally got the idea from Teddy Pendergrass He would have shows promoted as 'ladies only' where only women were allowed to attend' But Strobe and Gregory said

they came up with the concept - an excuse to give "teddy's" to the ladies around Valentine's Day, they said

The Witches formed in 1996 It's "open-door membership policy" encouraged a few lineup changes over the years But

Strobe assured "the band now consists of a solid lineup featured on the new record On Parade

"Each current Witch provides a unique talent and certain chemistry that makes the initial 'project' now operate as more of a band with four equal parts," he said

The Witches released On Parade, last fall as a follow-up to Universal Mall It reverberates with a signature mix of haunting, brooding rock and precocious melodies Songs like Laughter, Joy n' Lonehness and On the Haunted Side of the House echo in your mind without letting go

While it might seem a stretch to combine witches and valentines for this event, it won't be the first time The band has

unofficially "adopted" Santa Claus as a sort of mascot The jolly old elf has appeared on Witches flyers, and in song

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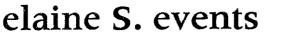
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"The Valentines rock show is a combination of all holidays and a celebration of existence," said Strobe "Every second of our awareness matters and 1s influenced by everything around us, near and far The primary focus is love succeeding in a clouded world and being brave enough to see through the smoke'

Don t miss The Witches esQuire and 1 Ini DJ Larry Ray 9 pm Friday Feb 14 at the smoky rock club the Lager House $\frac{1}{7}$ at 1254 Michigan Ave Detroit Call (313) 961 4668 For more on The Witches see witchesonparade.com

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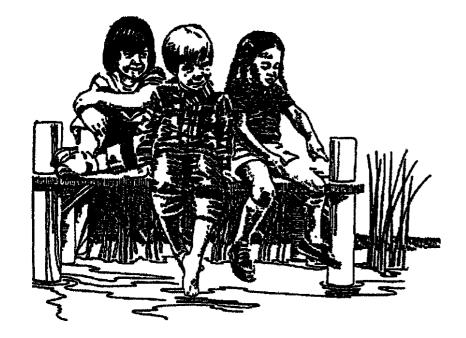
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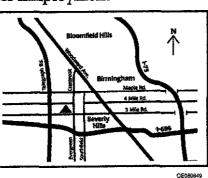
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DDC spotlights a collage of premieres

Detroit Dance Collective presents Collage, a concert of contemporary dances featuring choreography by company members, artistic director Barbara Selinger and guest artists Connie Moore and Corrine Imberski Saturday-Sunday, Feb 15-16, in the Maggie Allesee Dance Studio at Wayne State University, Detroit

Dances range from humorous to richly dramatic The program includes six premières and an excerpt from current repertory Detroit Dance Collective associate artistic director Kay Rediers presents "Oh Brother," a vibrant quartet offering a glimpse into family dynamics Dance company member Anh Nguyen premieres his "GamePieces," an inside look at the lives of four games pies The program also includes "Nuevo Tango," choreographed and performed by Connie Moore, former Detroit Dance Collective member and founder of MoreDances **Contemporary Dance** Company, and Selinger The duo has danced together many times in the past The innovative use of their costume/prop will tickle your spirit and bring to mind personal unforgettable dance experiences

Selinger, a Farmington Hills resident, premieres her "Times Two," a multi-layered dance/music/video work performed to music by Frederick Chopin and played live by Canton pianist Dimas Caraballo Imberski performs her work "Imminent," set to the music of Edvard Grieg

The dance company also showcases the work of emerging artists, Tressa Allard who choreographed "The Reason I Give, a senior at Wayne State University The piece is performed to the music of Led Zeppelin by WSU senior Chris Masters



Corinne Imberski performs "Imminent," a work she choreographed about the feelings generated by inescapable fate. She joins the Detroit Dance Collective for its annual Collage Concert at Wayne State University.

DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

What: Collage Concert that includes six premieres and an excerpt from current repertory

When: 8 pm Saturday Feb 15 and 3 pm Sunday Feb 16

Where: Maggie Allesee Dance Studio on the third floor of the Old Main Building Cass and Warren on the Wayne State University campus in Detroit

Tickets: \$12 \$10 students and seniors Call (313) 965-3544

COMING ATTRACTIONS

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SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, FEB. 14

THE GURU

A young Indian dance teacher with the best moves in Delhi embarks for New York City in pursuit of fame and fortune only to wind up working as a waiter in an Indian restaurant But good fortune can arise from strange places as our hero Ramu Gupta discovers when a catering gig at a ditzy birthday party catapults him into an extravagant ver sion of the American dream Mistaken for a spiritual healer Ramu becomes an overnight celebrity with the city's elite hanging onto his every word no mat ter how absurd The trouble is, he's also failing in love with the one woman who knows the real source of his seem ingly profound insights and Ramu must choose between his newfound notori ety and his love for a woman who accepts him as he is Stars Jimi Mistry Marisa Tomei Heather Graham Directed by Daisy von Scherler Mayer (Universal) Rated R LOCKDOWN

Avery has finally gotten his life back on track A competitive swimmer he had to drop out of college to support his girlfriend Krista and their son Jordan He's back on the swim meet cess When a college scout approaches him after winning his latest race he goes out to celebrate with his friends Cashmere and Dre In an instant Avery's luck is about to run out Stars Richard T Jones Gabriel Casseus Master P Bill Nunn De'Aundre Bonds Joe Torry Melissa De Sousa Clifton Powell Anna Maria Horsford Directed by John Luessenhop (Rainforest Films) Rated R **DAREDEVIL**

Marvel's legendary comic book hero known as the Man Without Fear comes to the big screen Attorney Matt Murdock is blind but his other four sens es function with superhuman sharpness. By day Murdock represents the downtrodden At night he is Daredevil a masked vigilante stalking the dark streets of the city a relentless avenger of justice. Featured players include Ben Affleck (The Sum of All Fears) Jennifer Garner (TV s Alias) Michael Clarke Duncan (The Scorpion Kind) Colin Farrell (The Minority Report) Joe Pantoliano (Memento) and Jon Favreau (Made) as the title characters best friend and legal partner Mark Steven Johnson directed marking his first since completing Simon Birch in 1998 (Twentieth Century Fox) Rate PG 13

THE JUNGLE BOOK 2

This sequel based on the Disney ani mated film *The Jungle Book* starts where the original ended Mowgli gets restless in his new village home and decides to return to the bare necessi ties of jungle life leaving behind his new girlfriend Shanti who's afraid of the dangerous wild animals Mowgli is used to romping around with As it turns out she's right to be Mowgli's old nemesis the tiger named Shere Khan is out for bloody revenge Can old friends Baloo and crew help Mowgli avoid Khan's lethal claws? (Walt Disney Pictures) Rated G

SCHEDULED TO OPEN FRIDAY, FEB. 21

GODS AND GENERALS

A sweeping epic charting the early years of the Civil War and how the campaigns unfolded from Manassas I to the Battle of Fredericksburg this prequel to the film Gettysburg explores the motivations of the com batants and examines the lives of those who waited at home Stars Jeff Daniels Stephen Lang Robert Duvall and Mira Sorvino Directed by Ron Maxwell (Warner Brothers) Rated PG-13 Running time 220 minutes





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CHILDREN'S THEATER

Genitti's Hole-In-The-Wall Lunch and show 11 30 a m Feb 15 at 108 East Main Northville \$12 95/kids \$14 95/adults Reservations (248) 349 0522 Motor City Youth Theatre Peter Pan7 pm Friday Feb 28 and March 7 2 pm Saturday Sunday March 12 and 8 9 Cathedral Theatre Masonic Temple 500 Temple Detroit. \$5 Secure parking in the fenced in north lot at rear entrance of building (313) 535 8962

COMMUNITY THEATER

Call Me Madam

The Iriving Berlin musical runs 8 pm Friday Saturday Feb 21 and March 1 and 4 p m Sunday March 2 Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church 9601 Hubbard at West Chicago Livonia \$7 \$3 students through 12th grade (734) 422 0494 **Clarkston Village Players** Love Letters 8 pm Friday Saturday Feb 14 15 Depot Theatre Clarkston \$12 (248) 625 8811 or www.clarkstonvil lageplayers org **Farmington Players** Present Laughter continues to Feb 22 \$13 seniors half price on Sunday 8 pm Friday Saturday

Feb 7 8 Feb 14 15 Feb 21 22 and Thursday Feb 13 and 20 and 2 p m Sunday Feb 9 and 16 32332 W 12 Mile Road west of Orchard Lake Road Farmington Hills Tickets for the gala are \$100 per person Call (248) 219 0800 or visit www.farmington players org

New Light Productions

Perform Cry Dignity an original play boldly confronting cultural myths and lies about people with psychiatric illnesses 8 p m Thursday Saturday Feb 20 22 based on true experiences at Trinity House Theatre 38840 West Six Mile on northwest cor ner of I 275 Livonia \$15 \$12 sen iors and students \$10 children \$3 consumers (248) 668 3410

SRO Productions

Radio TBS 8 pm Friday Saturday Feb 21 22 March 1 2 March 7 9 2 p m Sunday Feb 23 March 9 Burgh Historical Park corner of Civic Center Dr and Berg Road Southfield \$10 adults \$8 students/seniors (248) 827 0710

Saturday Feb 13 15 Oakland University campus Rochester Tickets \$5 \$10 seating limited reservations recommended call (248) 370 3013

\$24-\$38 Call (248) 377-3300

SPECIAL EVENTS

Oakland University Celebrates African American Celebration Month continuing to Feb 20 A Taste of Africa Gala featuring music art and food 4 8 pm Feb 14 Recreation and Athletics Center Drum and Dance Workshop and Crafts 11 30 a m to 1 p m Feb 17 Fireside Lounge Oakland Center All events at Oakland University in Rochester (248) 370 4345 Beach bash

Thursday Saturday Feb 20 22 12th annual Polar Beach Bash

Municipal Complex 26000 Evergreen Road Tickets \$5 with ad \$6 regular One paid admis sion good for all three days Children under 12 free (586) 465 9441

Southfield Sports Arena

Family Skate Party (ice) from 6.8 pm Saturday Feb 22 at 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive \$6/residents \$8/non residents Skate rental \$2 Registration required no tickets at the door (248) 354 9603

Wayne Chapter of Barbershop **Harmony Society**

And the Renaissance Chorus present A Sound Celebration 3 pm and 730 pm Saturday March 1 guest quartet is Fermata Nowhere two cabaret style performances at Sacred Heart Byzantine Catholic Church

Ave \$12 50 at door (248) 542 9426 Reception follows concert **Chamber Music Society of** Detroit

phobic Englishman stranded in a Georgia fishing lodge The show continues to Sunday March 9, in the theater on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Tickets

Presents the Guarneri String Quartet 8 p m Saturday Feb 15 Seligman Performing Art Center **Detroit Country Day School** 22305 W 13 Mile at Lahser Beverly Hills \$22 \$67 \$20 stu dents (248) 855 6070 Temple Beth El

Luminare classical trio noon Tuesday Feb 18 Temples Handleman Hall 7400 Telegraph Bloomfield Hills \$10/Beth Elders members \$12/guests For reser vations (prior to Thursday Feb 13) call (248) 352 5882 Schoolcraft College

Harpsicordist Edward Parmentier music professor University of Michigan noon

BENEFITS

Redford Theatre

Backstage Pass event includes Organ Overture by Lance Luce (& 30 p m) 8 p m movie (Trouble in Paradise) and 9 45 pm backstage tour of the the atre Friday Feb 21 presented by Detroit Area Art Deco Society prizes award for best vintage attire Redford Theatre 17360 Lahser north of Grand River \$10 proceeds go to the continuing restoration of the theater (248) 582 3326 or (313) 537 2560 Trinity House Theatre

Benefit concert featuring Jim Bizer Lucy Webster Jan Krist Stewart Francke Jim Roll and Raiston Bowles 8 p.m. (doors open at 7 30 p m) Saturday March 1 38840 West Six Mile

Road Livonia \$15 \$12 for the

ater members (734) 464 6302

Presented by Haven and

Brookfield Academy Greek

American vocalist Nadia

Seligman Music Hall

689 9565

'70s Bash

SOCIAL DANCING

Dance Elite Ballroom Studio Swing & Salsa dance instruction 8 p.m. Dance 9 p.m to midnight DJ open to the public Friday Maple at Haggerty (inside Bloomfield Avenue Shoppe II) West Bloomfield \$10 \$9 Michigan Swing Dance Association singles welcome \$10 per person (248) 926 8522 Moon-Dusters

Ballroom dancing to live bands featuring swing fox trot waltz cha cha and Latin 830 1130 p m Saturday Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile \$5 (248) 967 1428 **Rhythm 'N' Shoes**

Weekly ballroom/ Latin dance party with disc jockey 9-11 p m Thursday 2172 Franklin Road north of Square Lake Road east of Telegraph Bloomfield Hills \$7 \$6 members (248) 334 0299

COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club Darrell Joyce with John McDonnell Thursday Saturday 🔹 Feb 13 15 Sheila Kay with Mike 🖡 Payne Wednesday Saturday Feb. 19 22 every Tuesday night is open mic night at 8 p m also 💈 offering stand up comedy class es and the opportunity for your organization to raise money during Comedy for a Cause nights at the club 36071 Plymouth Road Livonia (734) 261 0555

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Reservations are required for all



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Meadow Brook Theatre

The Foreigner 8 p m Wednesday Friday Feb 13 14 and Feb 26 6 pm Saturday Feb 15 2 pm Saturday Feb 22 Wilson Hall Oakland University Rochester Hills \$19 \$38 (248) 377 3300

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Southfield Pavilion

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CLASSICAL

Keith Lepard and Sally Garrison rehearse

their roles for Hold Me a production by St.

Dunstan's Theatre Guild of Cranbrook The Jules Feiffer comedy runs 8 p m Thursday-

Saturday, Feb 13-15, and 2 p m Sunday, Feb

Bloomfield Hills Tickets are \$7, \$5 students

16, at the theater, 400 Lone Pine Road,

between Cranbrook and Lahser roads,

and seniors Call (248) 644-0527

Birmingham Unitarian Church Soprano Jennifer Larson 3 p.m. Sunday Feb 16 38651 Woodward

Wednesday Feb 19 No charge 186000 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile Roads Livonia (734) 462 4403 Notre Dame Handbell & Choir

Handbell and Celebration Choir concerts 8 p m Friday Feb 21 Antioch Lutheran Church 33360 13 Mile Road Farmington Hills 8 pm Saturday Feb 22 St Irenaeus Catholic Church 771 Old Perch Rochester Hills 10 45 a m Sunday Feb 23 Shrine of the Little Flower Woodward Avenue at 12 Mile (248) 541 4122 Freewill offering

Big Beaver United Methodist Church

The Zenith Brass Ensemble pres ents a Winter Concert at 8 p m Sunday Feb 23 3753 John R Road Troy No charge (248) 265 5522

Ambassador Quintet

An interactive concert for chil dren ages 4 7 at 11 a m Saturday March 8 at the Farmington **Players Barn Theater** Farmington Hills \$11 (248) 473 1857 or (248) 473 1800

FILM

Meadow Brook Hall Weekly Dinner and a Movie cele brates classic 1930 s romantic comedies The Awful Truth Wednesday Feb 19 and Platimum Blonde Feb 26 at Meadow Brook Hall Oakland University campus Rochester \$25 per person includes dinner cash bar available Reservations advised (248) 370 3140

MAKING CONTACT

Please submit items for publication in Going Places to Linda Chomin two weeks in advance of event Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150 or fax (734) 591 7279

Gallery 91 holds a Grand Opening Reception 5-9 p m Finday, Feb 14, in the new space at 91 West Long Lake Road, west of Woodward, Bloomfield Hills The works of Robert Dempster, Tom Weschler Jim Kaminski, Larry Halbert, Shannon Fink, and Jerry Amster are on display in the first show benefiting The Look for Success, a nonprofit helping women facing mental and physical challenges The contemporary arts gallery is designed as a venue for artists and charities to collaborate in helping the community. A portion of all art sales plus donations go to charity. For more information, call (248) 594-7446

Mama's Coffeehouse

Terry Gonda Dev Singh Jen Cass and Dennis Kingsbury form the songwriter's circle 715 p.m. (open mic) concert 8 p m Saturday Feb 15 Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651 N Woodward near northwest cor ner Lone Pine Road Bloomfield Hills \$10 \$8 seniors students 16 and younder (248) 569 0965 information (248) 626 4650 to reserve open mic slot

PROFESSIONAL DANCE

Varner Recital Hall Patterson Rhythm Pace Dance Company with Biakuye at 8 pm Saturday Feb 15 Oakland University campus Rochester \$15/general \$8/students For reservations (248) 370 3013

programs Call (313) 873 8100 to register Admission to museum is free

Meadow Brook Hall

Winter tour times are 130 p m Monday Sunday and 12 30 p m and 2 30 p m Saturday Sunday cost is \$12 50 \$8 50 seniors over age 62 \$6 children under 12 children under 2 free at Meadow Brook Hall on the campus of Oakland University Rochester For information visit the Web site at

www.meadowbrookhall.org **Plymouth Historical Museum** New permanent Abraham Lincoln exhibit images of Lincoln acquired from Michigan. collector Weldon Petz at the museum 155 S Main \$3 \$1 stu dents ages 5 17 \$7 a family Hours are 1.4 p.m. Wednesday Thursday and Saturday Sunday (734) 455 8940



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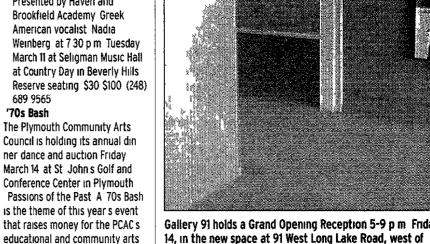
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JAZZ/BLUES



Renowned chamber ensemble 'rolling along'

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

There's a lot to be said for expemence. After 39 years of performing around the world with the Guarnen String Quartet, Michael Tree sounds comfortable in his role as violist But don't be fooled. His calm demeanor hides a passion for the music. It's one of the reasons he continues to tour three to six months a year The other is the bond he shares with violinists Arnold Steinhardt and John Dalley, and cellist Peter Wiley who joined the quartet after David Swoyer retired. When asked if he thought

they would ever remain together this long, Tree responded with a quick "no, not a chance"

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"The likelihood of a quartet staying together that long is practically unheard of," said Tree in a Feb 7, interview from his New York City home The quartet returned from a two-and-a-half week tour of Europe the night before. They're performing Saturday, Feb 15, at Seligman Performing Arts Center in Beverly Hills as part of the Chamber Music Society of Detroit series

"Three of the four us, except for David who was 11 years older, were all students at the Curtis Institute and that led to a close relationship musically and as friends, a close enough bond to last us a lifetime

"David retired because he got fed up with the travel He celebrated his 80th birthday this month and remains active It's mainly that travel is becoming increasingly difficult," said Tree

A familiar face is sliding into Swoyer's vacant chair Wiley was a former student of Swoyer's in the late 1960s when he attended the Curtis Institute at the age of 13 Later as a member of the Beaux Arts Trio, Wiley performed more than 1,000 concerts

"We're happily rolling along," said Tree "We've known Peter for many years We're currently learning and relearning repertorre with Peter"

A few of the works are from their latest CD (Surrounded by



The Guarneri String Quartet just returned from a European tour and will be performing Feb. 15 in Beverly Hills

'That's one of the benefits of being around this long. We only play works that are our favorites."

Michael Tree **Guarneri String Quartet**

Entertainment Records), which features quartets by Ravel, Debussy and Faure They're also rehearsing for their annual six concert series at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, and the Feb 15 program for the Chamber Music Society of Detroit - Haydn's String Quartet in C Major, Op 54, No 2, Bartok's Quartet No 6, and Beethoven's String Quartet

in C Major, Op 59, No 33

"That's one of the benefits of being around this long We only play works that are our favorites," said Tree who passes along all his experience to students at the Curtis Institute, The Juilliard School and Manhattan School of Music In addition to teaching, he and the rest of the quartet give master classes to aspiring young music students at the University of Maryland eight times a year

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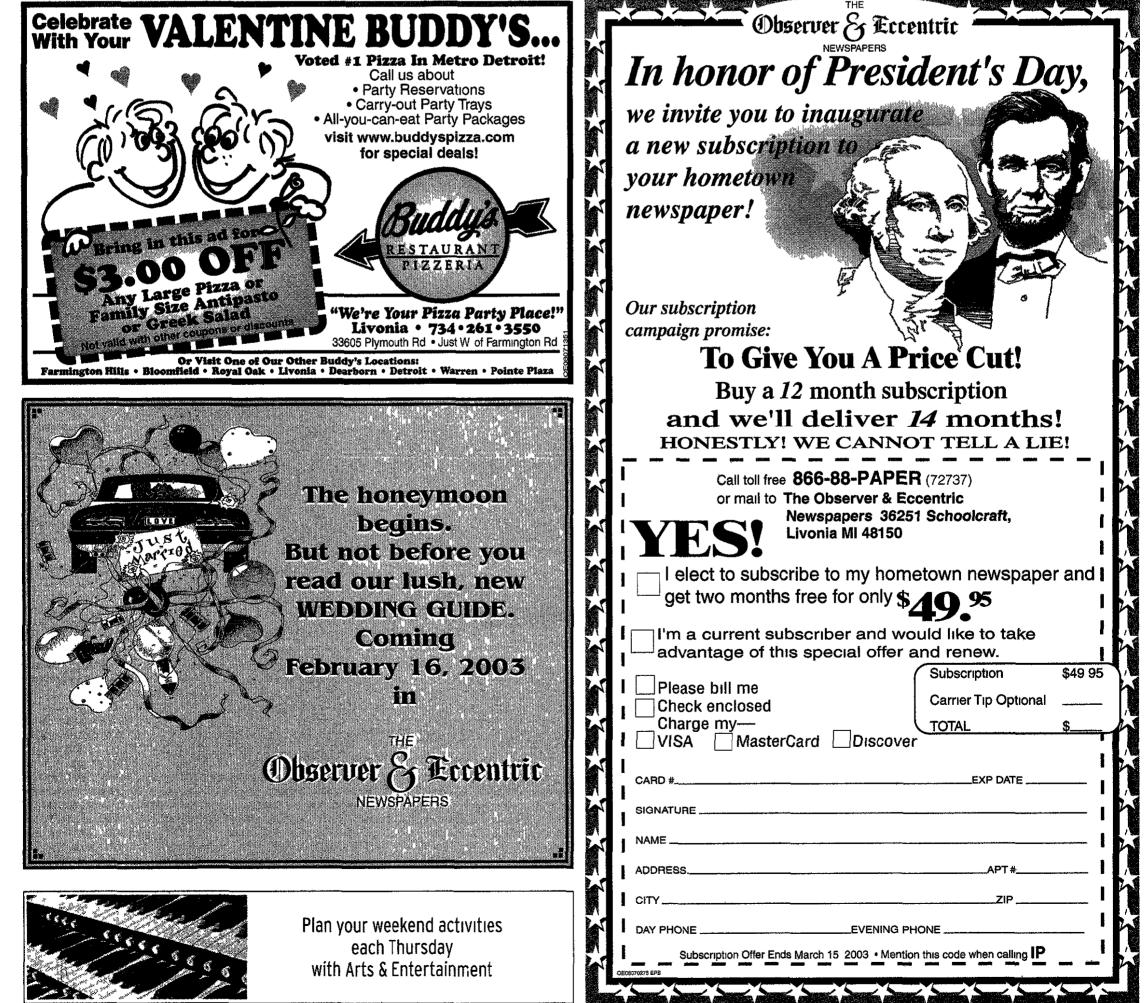
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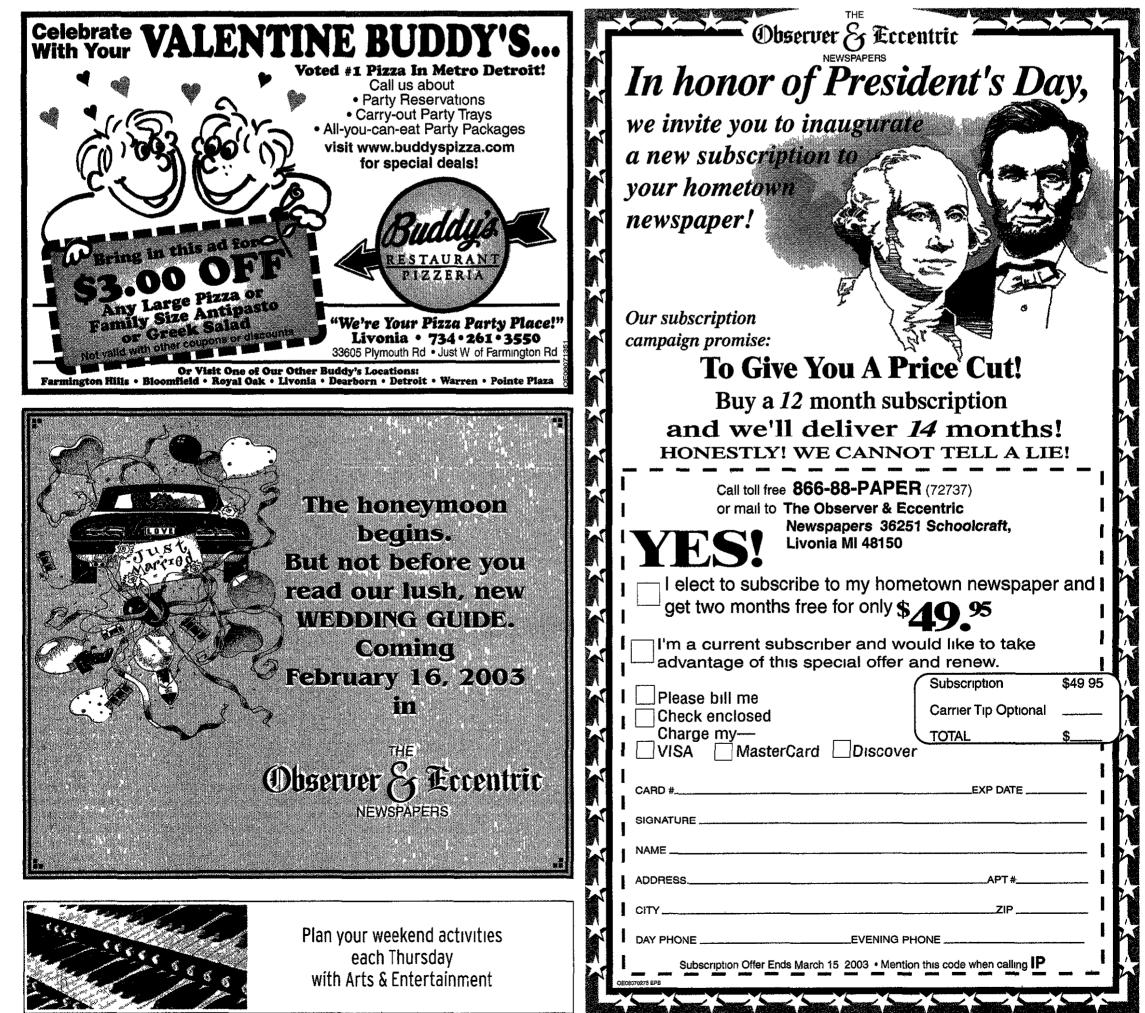
What: Chamber Music Society of Detroit presents the Guarneri String Quartet

When: 8 p m Saturday Feb 15

Where: Seligman Performing Art Center Detroit Country Day School 22305 W 13 Mile at Lahser, Beverly Hills

Tickets: \$22 \$67 \$20 students call (248) 855 6070





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P.I. BLUES

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is "a really fun film" that's reminiscent of studio movies from the 1940s, and "a joy to watch"

Fritz is a "wannabe" private detective who works in a pet store One day, his friend, a private detective, asks him to watch his reptile while he leaves town on a case Fritz agrees, but begins to pretend he's a private investigator The lovable, fumbling Fritz manages to get involved with a down-on-her-luck woman who needs a PI to find her brother Murder, intrigue, comedy, silly friends, and the Russian Mafia soon take over

Jim Dudek wrote, produced and directed the movie that took more than two years to complete

"It's a story driven by likable characters," Dudek said "I enjoy movies from the 1940s. movies without graphic violence that left something to the imagination In PI Blues even the bad guys are likable" "The production of P I Blues

has been a blast," Dudek said "I hope audiences have as much fun watching this film as we've had making it "We really liked shooting in

Michigan, there was great energy Shooting in LA is old hat there and people are inconvenienced by it, but here people are excited about it Everybody on the set took my ideas and made them better

Also starring in the film is Dolores C Reyes, Alex Safi, Peter M Brown, and Alan Madlane

Much of the movie's crew, including Dudek and DeMerell are hardly newcomers to the business

OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC

DeMerell, raised in White Lake, earned a bachelor of arts in theater from Western Michigan University He's toured with a national company of I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change, and the Little Shop of Horrors Entertainment is his lifelong passion

"When I was a child I walked on a stage at Frankenmuth and started entertaining they couldn't get me off the stage," DeMerell said

He also worked at Jeff Daniels' Purple Rose Theatre in Chelsea. Tow of his favorite roles were Valmont in Les Liaisons Dangereuses and the Cowardly Lion in The Wizard of Oz

"It's mome that I got my (paying) jobs here at home rather than when I lived in New York," DeMerell said

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A "musher" drives his dogs through the home stretch during a race at the Double JJ Resort in Rothbury.

Ready, dogs? Let's mush!

BY SHARON DARGAY STAFF WRITER

Ten barking, straining-atthe-leash husky dogs One wooden sled with nar-

row runners Ready to "mush?"

Hold on tight, lean into the curves and watch that first hill

"Isn't as easy as it looks, is it?" said Dave Alvarez, stopping his snowmobile after I tumbled, flying off a hill and ripping my snowsuit, on the sled dog trail at Double JJ Resort

near Muskegon Alvarez, head musher, was teaching me to drive a dog sled, pulling me around the resort's lake with a snowmobile in preparation for the real thing a pack of 10 dogs

"The dogs won't run as fast as the snowmobile," Alvarez said "If you can do it with the snowmobile, you'll be OK with the dogs'

He was right After failing off the snowmobile-towed sled four times, the dog sled drive was a cinch I didn't even have to use my new musher's vocabulary ("Gi" for right, "Ha" for left) to guide my pack The dogs knew the trail so well, they practically ran on automatic

"We have about 30 dogs Ours give rides," said Bob Lipsitz, resort owner

Adults pay \$30 (\$20 for children) to sit on the sled while a skilled musher, like Alvarez, takes the team on a 20-minute ride For another \$15, resort guests can learn to handle the reins themselves, as I did on a recent visit Get good enough and you might consider joining a dog sled organization, like the statewide MUSH club, which held its annual races at the Double JJ last month

'Our dogs aren't racing These guys would be going right past our dogs," Lipsitz said, watching MUSH teams race against the clock as they crossed the finish line

Several competitors traded sleds for skis and raced in a dog and ski sport called jurying The skier wears a leash with one or more dogs attached

"I trained her on my Roller Blades first," said Holland resident Austin Stauffer, who hooked his dad, Brian, to a leash pulled by their Springer Spaniel, Maddie

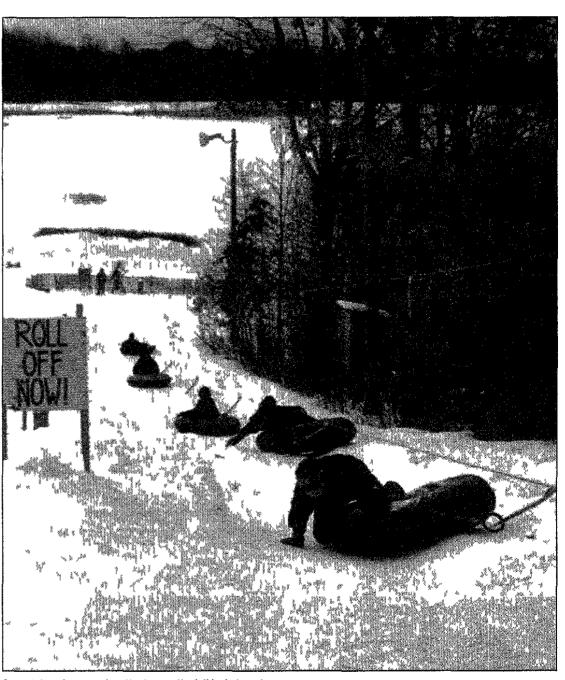
Lipsitz said dog and skier must "work together" to stay in control and on the move

"You'll see skiers with two and three dogs and then for sure you have no control," he said, laughing

Where can a cross-country skier learn to ski jury?

"Right here at the Double JJ," Lipsitz said

Thanks, but after those tumbles off the dog sled, I'd better save that class for the next trip



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Snow tubing is easy when the trip up the hill includes a tow rope

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Lipsitz operated the resort as a summer-only facility, adding a golf course in 1993 He built a winterized conference center and restaurant, hotel, condominiums and tubing hill in 1997 The "Back Forty," which includes water slides, a Western town, cabins, horse barn, snowmobile track and RV park, opened in 1999 The original summer-only ranch operates from May through October The rest 1s open year-round

WINTER FUN

Lipsitz said he draws the majority of his customers from the Detroit and Chicago area for tubing, sled dog rides, snowmobiling, horseback riding and cross country skiing during the winter

"Most places don't allow people to run horses, but we do," Lipsitz said Guided advanced rides take horse and equestrian over trails at a fast clip Beginning and intermediate riders walk or canter

He said the resort's quarter mile snowmobile track is its newest attraction

"It's got jumps and curves It's not a straight oval track The average snowmobiler can't go fast, but you can go around 12 miles per hour'

The resort can make snow for its tubing hill and snowmobile track, but Gail Zemmol, public

relations director, says there's plenty of natural white stuff to keep sleds and skis gliding

"We have a ton of snow," said Zemmol, a former Farmington Hills resident "There's about a foot and a half out there

A Plymouth-Canton Girl Scout troop spent a recent snowy weekend at the resort It's a favorite destination for Scouts and other groups

"The kids love it But the people who really love it are the troop leaders because housekeeping will come in and make the beds You don't have to bleach down the mattresses when you leave," she said "And it's not camp food. It's resort food

"We get a lot of letters from kids They count down the days until they come back. They say it's better than Disney"

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There's love and voodoo in 'A Bayou Legend'

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Patricia Willington is doing her part to bring about diversity on the opera stage by producing the Great Lakes Lync Opera's A Bayou Legend Thursday, Feb 13, and Saturday, Feb 15 Written by African-American composer William Grant Still in the 1930s, the story centers star around a love triangle and the practice of voodoo

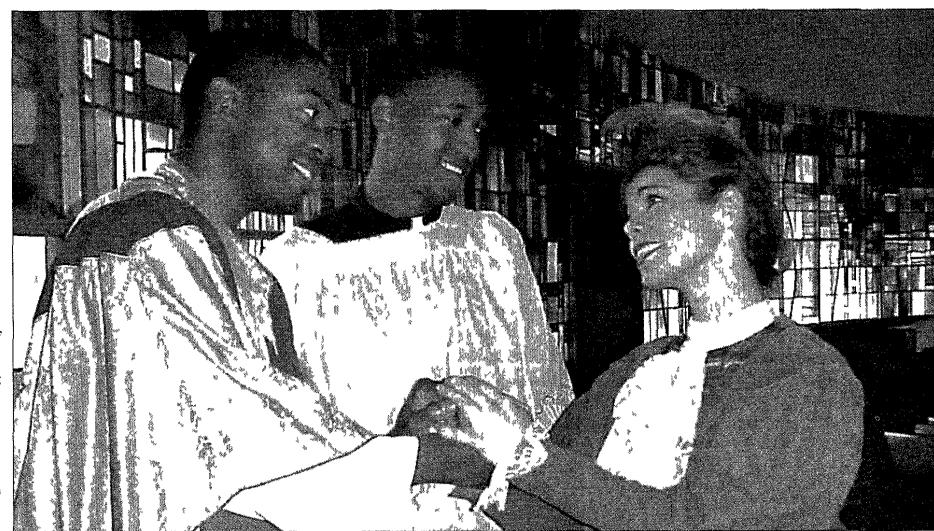
As a composer, Still (1895-1978) has many accomplishments to his credit including the first African American to have an opera performed by a major company in 1949 and the first to have an opera (A Bayou Legend) performed on national television in 1981

"I d heard of Still so several of us met at the Detroit Public Library a year ago to look at four of his operas After reading the score I wondered why isn't anybody doing this?" said Willington, a Southfield resident who grew up in Livonia Willington directs the choir at Birmingham's Seaholm High School, and the boy's choir at Academy of the Sacred Heart in Bloomfield Hills

After Willington and Great Lakes Lyric Opera members selected one of Stills opera the work began Assembling an 18piece orchestra came easy It was the African American cast that became a regional task. Willington's search for vocalists took her as far away as Interlochen Arts Academy and Ohio

"Still was a contemporary of Gershwin who wrote Porgy & Bess," said Willington "This is worthy music of any color that really deserves to be heard It has so much texture and color It's very lyrical for a contemporary piece and it's written in the English language

Celeste Headlee loves the music but admits to being biased about the composer Still took the place of her father who died when she was 9 months old Headlee grew up admiring her grandfather and eventually followed him into the world of classical music An arts reporter for WDET, she's appeared on stage many times as a soloist since earning a master's degree in vocal performance from the University of Michigan She's especially excited about playing the role of the minstrel narrator the first



Leslie Hill (left), Ivan Griffin and Celeste Headlee perform in A Bayou Legend composed by African American composer William Grant Still Headlee is the granddaughter of Still

'This is worthy music of any color that really deserves to be heard. It has so much texture and color.'

Patricia Willington Great Lakes Lyric Öpera

character to take the stage in A Bayou Legend

"It's a mystery why no one performs it," said Headlee "We as a society have to question why It's hard for me to say it's because of prejudice but it's hard to say it's not

Its melodic and in English Its the perfect kind of opera for those who think they don't like opera. Its tuneful with comic relief There are the Three Blades who are town drunks My grandfather had an incredible sense of humor You can bring the whole family and enjoy it."

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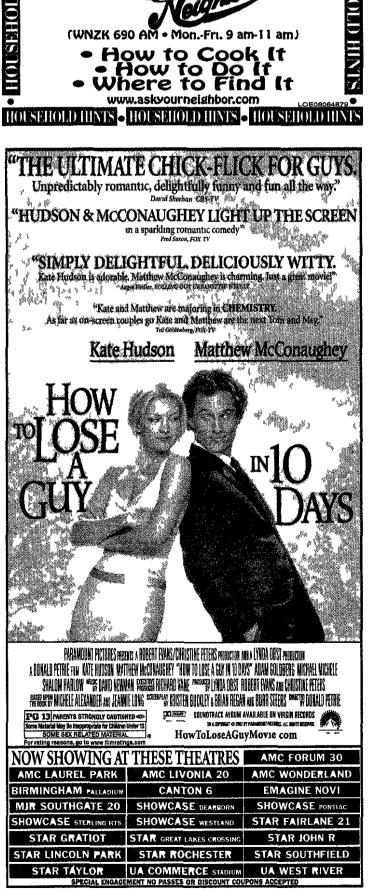


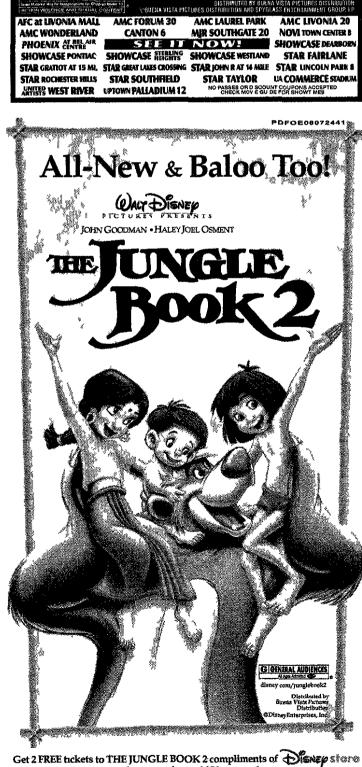
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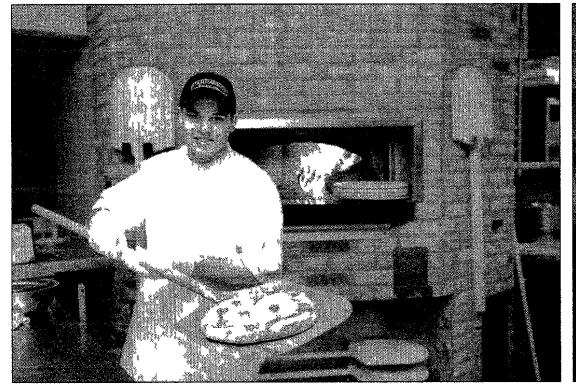
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Josh West shows off a Margarita pizza fresh out of the stone oven at Carrabba's

Members of the Carrier and Wingfield families of Canton enjoy a meal at Carrabba's in front of la Cucina (the kitchen)

Carrabba's emphasizes personal service and fresh foods

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI CORRESPONDENT

Walk in, feel the warmth of the wood-burning pizza oven and you'll be sure to make yourself at home at Carrabba's Italian Grill

"We still have people come in and tell us they didn't know we were here," said Gary Harchelroad, managing partner of the new Canton restaurant

The eatery, which opened late last year, has a great view of I-275, but patrons might have a tough time finding it with its proximity to the freeway Look for the huge Lifetime Fitness facility on the east side of Haggerty, south of Ford Road, and Carrabba's is between that and the Extended Stay America motel

This summer, you will surely recognize the eatery by its luscious rooftop garden, complete with evergreens and other indigenous vegetation

"We offer a Tuscan landscape even in Michigan," said Andi Jacobs, marketing vice president^a "We hired an architect who is known for including landscaping into the architec ture"

GOOD TASTES

The warm ambiance of

Mandola, members of one of Houston's largest culinary families, Carrabba's specialty is meat

"Johnny and Damian incorporated grilling as an essential part of the menu Grilling is very Italian The family is Sicilian Grilling is about that area of Italy," Jacobs said

If you think the Carrabba and Mandola names are familiar, you're right They host the Italian cooking show, "Cucina Amore" on PBS A cookbook, "Ciao Y'all," will be in bookstores this year

From the wood-burning grill come specialties such as filet fiorentina, chicken gratella – basted with olive oil and herbs – chicken or sirloin marsala, both which feature the florio marsala wine sauce Other grilled specialties are pollo rosa maria, a chicken breast stuffed with fortina cheese and prosciutto, and spiedino di mare, shrimp and sea scallops coated with Italian breadcrumbs

Grilled entrees range from \$12 49 to \$18 99 for the filet fiorentina, and \$15 99 for the fish of the day that is grilled and completed with a special sauce

A large, open kitchen allows patrons to watch the creation of their meals Large pots of pasta cook at the pasta bar The pizza bar – on the other side of the

DINNER'S SPECIAL

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Carrabba's 1s not open for lunch And there 1s a reason Everything 1s made fresh It

is too hard to do it for lunch It would take away from the quality of the product, Harchelroad said While a takeout venue may not set Carrabba's apart, the eatery, however, does one better with its car side service Call in your order, tell the staff member what type of car you re driving, and when you arrive at the restaurant, your order is brought to you

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Carrabba's wood and tile decor is sure to draw in patrons But it's the freshly made cuisine that is bound to develop repeat business for the casual, family restaurant

The 6,300-square-foot eatery offers seating for more than 200 patrons, and a staff of 80 Personal, family service is a Carrabba's theme, with staff serving sections with only twothree tables each

When you go to Carrabba's, keep this in mind Italian cuisine is not limited to spaghetti Developed by Johnny Carrabba and his uncle, Damian kitchen – also serves as entertainment

"Kıds lıke to sıt here and see them (chefs) make the pızzas," Harchelroad saıd

Pasta specialties range from pasta Carrabba, which is fettucini alfredo tossed with gnlled chicken, sauteed mushrooms and peas for \$11 99 to pasta weesie, shrimp sauteed in a garlic, lemon butter and wine sauce for \$13 99, and mezzaluna, which are delicate halfmoon- shaped ravioli filled with chicken, niccota and spinach in a tomato cream sauce for \$10 49



PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A filet with a side of zucchini and Fettucini Alfredo, Pescatore (mussels, shrimp and scallops with marinara over linguini) and a Margarita pizza are among the offerings at Carrabba's

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Romantic proposal a contest winner C5



Exhibit focuses on 19th-, 20thcentury pieces

There'll be plenty of antiques for the picking next week in Southfield

The Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition is scheduled Friday-Sunday, Feb 21-23, at the Southfield Municipal Complex, Evergreen at Civic Center Drive

In its 23rd year, the exposition offers hundreds of antiques, among them a selection of American, European, Oriental and African pieces, for purchase

"There is some 18th century, but there is more 19th and 20th century," said Michael Butler, co-owner of M & M Enterprises, the antiques show management and promotion company that holds the exposition

"The broad range of merchandise is what people like about the show," Butler said, estimating that 6,500 people annually attend

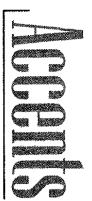
While the expositions popularity is partly due to timing - it's one of the first major local antiques shows of the year - merchandise prices have broad appeal, Butler said

"Prices run the full range with pieces geared toward beginner collectors just starting out and more advanced collectors, too Where we don't go is extremely top-end on prices"

One hundred twenty merchants are expected to display their antique wares this year About half are based outside Michigan

New exhibitors include Illinois-based Fermette Antiques-Belgium, which specializes in French pottery and copper pieces, and East Lansing's Global Imports Gallery, which is owned by a native of Tanzania and focuses on antique tribal art from east and west Africa.

By Staff writer Nicole Stafford



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Nesting box

Here is habitat tip No 2 in the series celebrating the National Wildlife Federations Backyard Wildlife Habitat™ program s 30th anniversary

Installing nesting boxes for birds is an easy way to help create habitat in your yard Here are some suggestions from the naturalists at the NWF Install your birdhouse before the nesting season begins (mid to late winter) Late February is best for most areas

Boxes built of untreated wood are best

Your box shouldn t have a perch Perches are unneces sary and allow predators access to eggs and nestlings

Hang your box from a pole with a predator guard Hanging boxes in trees allows predators easier access and can harm the tree

The box should have a drainage hole in the bottom ventilation holes toward the top (but not in the roof) and a hinged side to allow easy access for cleaning and mon itorina

Don't use insecticides in the yard Birds rely on insects to feed their young And the chemicals are harm ful to the birds themselves

Plans for building a nest ing box can be found in the Backyard Habitat Planning Guide available from the NWF for \$14 95 by calling (585) 461 3092

More information on creat ing habitats and how to have them officially certified by the NWF is available at www.nwf.org/backyard wildlifehabitat

💹 Grand opening

CoCo Interiors a new home furnishings store in Orchard



Certified Feng Shui practitioner Catherine Hilker, far left, offers suggestions for making bedrooms more romance-friendly at a seminar held Monday at Studio Jewell in Royal Oak

The right place for love

Feng Shui in the bedroom, for better romance

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Looking for love in all the wrong places? Then look no further than your own bedroom A few changes in the rooms layout and decor might improve your love life, according to Feng Shui, an ancient Chinese design philosophy

Enhancing romance was exactly what Lynne Affolder of Rochester Hills had in mind when she attended a seminar on Feng Shui for the bed-

going to be watching TV Make it go away or get rid of it It will be interesting to see what happens," Hilker said, leaving the rest to the imagination

Family photos, too, belong elsewhere, she said 'Its not good to have things that take you out of your relationship in your bedroom Replace them with photographs of you and your partner or symbols of love and romance like fresh flowers, heartshaped objects and red accents



Not sure how to decorate a bedside table? Create a love altar Feng Shui practitioner Catherine Hilker uses lit candles, incense, rose guartz and a scarlet scarf to encircle a photograph of she and her partner, but a love altar can be comprised of anything that's meaningful and soothing to the couple

"Yes, I would set one up," Hilker said

The love altar idea also intrigued 33-year-old Susan Handorf of West Bloomfield But, aside from an armoire, she and her husband don't have a place for it Simply set up a love altar inside the armoire, said

Feng Shui ways to love

Lake will have a grand open ing for the public 4 8 pm Thursday Feb 20

The store is in the Village Plaza shopping center at 4111 Orchard Lake Road Just south of Pontiac Trail

Owned by interior designer Dorian Hayes who grew up in Livonia CoCo Interiors offers elegant classic fur



nishings and hand painted pieces as well as high end home accents and gifts including Boehm porcelain and collectibles by Faberge In Michigan the Boehm line is exclusive to CoCo Interiors Each of the classic pieces in the shop was selected by Hayes during frequent buy ing trips to New York

During the grand opening celebration visitors can leisurely browse the shops wares while enjoying food and refreshments provided by Cucina Leone of Birmingham Patrons can also enter a drawing to win a limited edition Americana Rose porcelain by Boehm valued at \$300

CoCo interiors is open 10 am to 5 pm Tuesday Saturday and 10 a m to 7 p m Thursday Call (248) 855 6080

room, held Monday just a few days before Valentine's Day at Studio Jewell in Royal Oak

'I learned a lot," said Affolder, who is single but foresees a relationship and more romance ın her future "I dıdn't really think about it before, the idea of making the bedroom romance-friendly It seems like common

sense' Affolder's bedroom decorating plans following the seminar "Get rid of all my family pictures in the bedroom and cover up my television" Neither family photos

nor the television set belong in the bedroom, said Catherine Hilker, the certified Feng Shui practitioner who taught the two-hour seminar

"TVs are very distracting and very demanding If you have a TV in the bedroom, you're probably clutter in closets and drawers, also causes problems for couples in the bedroom It, like the television set, calls out for attention, beckoning clean-up and distracting occupants from the task at hand, whether it be sleep or something else, said Hilker.

Clutter, even hidden

Other bedroom no-no's include exercise equipment, computers and religious symbols, according to Hilker If spirituality is a bedroom essential - or you're a hopeless romantic - set up a love altar Hilker uses lit candles, incense, rose quartz and a scarlet scarf to encircle a photo of her and her partner on a bed-side table

If you're single, can you set up a love altar, asked Cathy Nall, 54, of Sterling Heights, hoping such an addition would help her find love

MARKET PLACE

Hılker At its core, Feng Shui is common sense, she said It asks homeowners to use their head when designing and decorating their home And a room that guarantees privacy. inspires intimacy, feels sensual, serene and safe sounds like a place conducive to love and romance

"The function of the bedroom is sleeping and lovemak-ing," Hilker said So, follow your instincts "If it feels good to you, that's good Feng Shui'

Catherine Hilker a practitioner of Essential Feng Shui teaches classes at Studio Jewell and other locations in metropolitan Detroit She can be reached at (248) 547 4965 For infor mation about design classes at Studio Jewell 501 South Washington in downtown Royal Oak call (248) 414 6114

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Decorate with symbols of love and romance Flowers, heart-shaped items, candles, couple photographs, accents in tones representing passion, as well as objects in pairs, are all good choices

Objects meaningful to a couple are excellent bedroom decor accents

In a larger bedroom or one with high ceilings, create a room within the room or add a bed canopy for a sense of intimacy

Make sure the bedroom feels private If it abuts a public area, create a transition space in between

Use matching night stands or tables of equal size The amount of space on either side of the bed should also be somewhat equal

Make a sumptuous, not a mundane, bed with linens in sensuous fabrics like silk and satin

Pay attention to safety in the bedroom Opt for furniture with rounded corners Avoid using objects and artwork that look dangerous or appear as if they might fall An overhead ceiling fan, for instance, can look threatening

Situate the bed away from the room's entrance pathway against a solid

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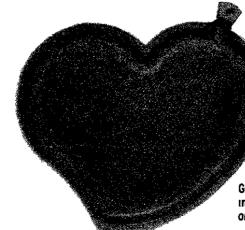
What: Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition When: 2-9 pm Friday Feb 21 noon to 8 pm Saturday, Feb 22. and noon to 5 p m Sunday, Feb 23 Where: Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive in Southfield Cost: Regular admission is \$6 Paid admission is good for all three show days Children age 12 and younger are admitted free Parking is free Shipping services and dining are available For more information, call (586) 469-1706 or e-mail mandminfo@aol com

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Do you have a special item you d like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home? We d like to feature it! Send a photo or slide of the piece along with information to Ken Abramczyk At Home editor **Observer & Eccentric** Newspapers 805 E Maple Birmingham 48009

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Love and marriage...



Warm heart

This hot water bottle is great for warm - or cold - applications to soothe your soul and warm your heart You can relax with that special someone and melt those cares away Vanilla scent makes this unusual hot water bottle deliciously romantic Available for \$24 95 at The Print Gallery, 29173 Northwestern Hwy in Southfield Call (248) 356-5454 or visit www.everythingart.com

Red-letter decor

Make a statement this Valentine's Day with the red Cupid's Chair and coordinating ottoman found at Gorman's Contemporary in Southfield Large enough to sit two people comfortably, this chair is perfect for cuddling with your special someone Available in a variety of colors, and made from micro-fiber (today's miracle fabric), the chair and ottoman retail for \$999 A matching sofa is also available for \$999 Gorman's has locations in Southfield, Troy, Novi and Lakeside For more information, call (248) 353-9880.

So the song goes. Weddings don't go together at all without a lot of intense planning. Look for our 2003 Wedding Guide on Sunday, February 16 and discover ideas, advice and interesting features to assist with your wedding.

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BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

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We brothers grew up in our grandmother's house, a turnof-the-century home with double-hung wood windows

Guess who was assigned the task of repairing and maintaining those contraptions? Even though Dad was the handiest guy in the neighborhood, we were the chosen ones

Every time a sash rope broke it was our responsibility to make the repair

If you have an older home with double-hung wood windows, you know that every so often the ropes that hold the counterweights rot and break, sending the counterweight into window oblivion

You also know that there is nothing harder to open than a double-hung window without the help of both counterweights In time, we got rather good at making this repair Here is how it's done

First, prepare the work area Put a drop cloth on the floor to protect the carpet If the floor is hardwood, cover it with a sheet of 1/4-inch wallboard This will prevent damage to the floor if a tool or window part drops

Next, remove the trim pieces from either side of the window opening that keep the lower window in place Nothing else prevents that window from

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failing out, so be careful

Use a sharp chisel to pry the trim away from the frame of the window First, break the paint connection by running a razor knife blade the full length of the trim Doing so will reduce paint chipping and, in many instances, will eliminate damage to the trim

(Note Use a wedge between the side of the window and the frame to hold the window in place while you remove the trim Once the trim is removed, the wedges are pulled out and the window and its frame will fall out of the opening)

The next step is to remove the lower window The weight ropes usually are held in place with a small nail or screw Remove the fastener from each side, being careful not to drop the window, and then pull the rope away Move the window to a safe location This would be an ideal time to repair the frame, reglaze the window and sand and paint the frame

REMOVING TRIM

With the bottom window safely out of the way, the center trim easily can be removed so that the top window also can be removed Even if there is nothing wrong with the weight ropes attached to the top window, it is wise to replace them as well

The three elements are

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Zeolite, a natural mineral that

Removing the trim is a big part of this job Once the trim is out, it is a mistake not to renew all the ropes at once When one rope goes, it indicates what soon will follow with the other ropes in that opening Make sure to slide the top window to the lower position and wedge it in place before beginning to remove the center trim

(Note The outer trim that holds the lower trim in place is mounted onto the inside face of the frame However, the center trim piece is usually recessed into a dado So, be careful to keep that in mind as you use your chisel to pry it loose In other words, the back of the trim is below frame surface)

After using a sharp razor knife to break the paint seal on both sides of the trim, slightly imbed the tip of a sharp chisel into the side of the trim

Tap lightly with your hammer so you don't split the trim

Next, place a wedge or small block between the chisel and the frame to act as a fulcrum Prying the trim out will be easier using this technique

Next, remove the upper window in the same way as the lower window was taken out Place the upper window away from the work area.

Remove the four weight chamber covers, these are

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usually held in place with screws If painted, they might require some tweaking

To loosen the paint connection between a screw and the surrounding area, insert a screwdriver into the slot and tap lightly with a hammer This will accomplish three things 1 It will clean the screw slot

2 It will break the paint seal 3 It will slightly loosen the bond between the screw and the wood that it is imbedded in, making the removal of the screw easier

With the covers removed, replace the ropes, making sure the new ropes match the old ones in length Put everything back together in reverse order One last note This is a good time to make sure that the weather-stripping is up to snuff For more home improve-

ment tips and information, visit our Web site at www.onthehouse.com

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the appliance world

he logo for Frigidaire products made back in the 1950s when it was owned by General Motors is making a

comeback You will see the name Frigidaire writ-

ten out in long, beautiful cursive appearing on products soon Today the company is owned by

Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

tries It is hoped the products will carry the same type of quality built into them some 50 years ago

Electrolux,

which is a \$14

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As a example of why apphance consumer complaints are ranked the second worst in a national survey, let me tell you what happened in Peoria, Ill

A customer had an icemaker installed, and the technician hooked up the water line to the copper line sticking out of the compressor This line is used to recharge the compressor with refrigerant should the need arise The copper water line for an icemaker should always be installed to the plumbing in the house A Superior Court judge in California has given Black & Decker a lesson in the difference of products made in the United States and Mexico to the tune of \$3 million

The fine was levied because 32 models of Kwikset locks were stamped as made in this country when they were made in Merical, Mexico

Misleading the public today is the quickest way to draw negative attention to a company brand This is a new era and the American consumer is smarter than ever

ICEMAKERS

A recent service repair tip sent to the appliance industry says that an icemaker produces hollow cubes that cause clumping or jamming of ice in all Maytag 1998-to-current side by sides with or without ice and

including illustrations, are supplied with the kits Standard . warranty terms apply

From the sound of this bulletin, it appears that a few million customers might be having this problem I wonder how many of them had to pay for repairs?

MOTORS

Since the invention of refrigerators, the fan motor inside the freezer has always been a fast speed motor, but recently energy standards demand variable speed motors

Whirlpool/Kitchenaid has sent a service memo that ice and frost balls appearing on the freezer front ceiling are a result of slow freezer evaporator motors The solution is a kit that includes a new electronic control board

The 25-cubic foot side by sides affected are models GC5SHGXK, GC5TGXK, GC5SHGXL, GC5THGXL, KSBS25FK, KSBS25FK and KŚCS25FK.

You may be saving energy with this model, and if you don't get the repair done under warranty, what will it cost after the warranty 1s up? We are talking about an electronic control board and it isn't cheap There is a clothes dryer vent booster motor that is very easy to install for those of you who have dryer vent lines that are too long This motor hooks into the vent line and can be a lifesaver in many homes across the country E-mail acmemiami com or call (800) 654-2154

GARAGE DOORS

The garage door tracks that the rollers ride in should be clean and free of any grease

I had a least a dozen calls from consumers during our cold spell who were going to call for service Their complaint was that the door would go up a little ways and then stop or come back down

I told them to get some denatured alcohol from the hardware store and clean those tracks, making sure not to cut themselves on the sharp edges of the tracks Each one of them

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National Garden Bureau names 2003 the year of the bean, poppy

f you're looking for a place to vacation this spring, you might consider going to Washington, DC

The National Garden Bureau is a sponsor of the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History spring

for Plants

exhibition, A Passion

Contemporary Art

hes are invited to a

Sunflower Fest 10

Saturday, May 17, at

National Museum of

the Smithsonian's

Natural History,

which is on the

National Mall

am to4pm

Sherwood Collection

Children and fami-

from the Shirley



Garden

Marty Figley

Spot

Many activities are being planned to involve children as well as adults For more information about this museum and its programs, call Michele Urie at (202)786-2950

The NGB has named 2003 the Year of the Bean and the Year of the Poppy

BEANS

There are many varieties of beans, plants that are easy to grow and are a healthy staple in the kitchen

Basically there are three types of beans snap, green shelling, and dry shell

Snap beans got their name from the sound they make when broken apart Green shelling beans, such as limas,

are green seeds inside the pods fresh (or frozen) Dry beans are left on the vine to dry before being harvested and then shelled

Beans are in the legume family (Leguminocae), as are peas and some flowers such as lupine, sweet pea, and baptisia They fix nitrogen in the soil, which makes that nutrient readily available to plants

Breeders are always looking for ways to improve beans, yet we still find some older kinds being offered Some people prefer to grow bush beans, others pole beans

Bush beans produce a lot of pods in a short time, but take up more garden space

While pole beans take up less space because they are grown on trellises or teepees, they produce later in the season, and because of their longer stay in the garden, they are more susceptible to pests and disease

Wait until the soil has warmed up and all danger of frost has passed before sowing, and soil and night temperatures remain at 55 degrees or higher Lima beans want warmer soil (about 65 degrees), so may not do well here You may wish to start them indoors

Light, well-drained soil is preferred, with a pH of 6 0 to 6 8 Dig to a depth of 6 to 8 inches and incorporate organic matter into the soil

When sowing the seed 1 to $1 \frac{1}{2}$ inches deep, you may want to sprinkle an inoculant in the row to help increase the nitrogen-fixing ability and help the growth Find inoculants

GARDEN CALENDAR

at garden centers and mail-order companies Follow package directions for best results

POPPIES

Beautiful poppies are popular in many gardens, and the profusion of colors will please most any gardener

The Iceland poppy produces flowers up to 7 inches across above attractive blue-green, segmented foliage The Shirley poppy bears single or double crepe paper-like blooms edged with white Field, or Flanders, pop pies sport single, crimson flowers that suit wildflower plantings perfectly

The NGB says that the poppy is probably the most popular wildflower 1n America

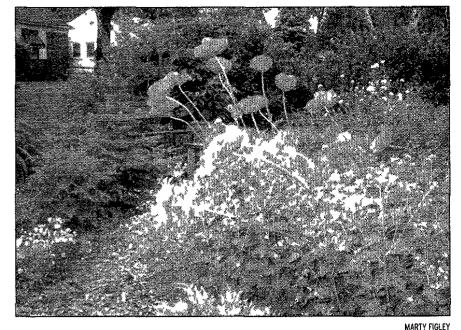
These versatile wonders fit many garden situations They combine well in the border garden with lamb's ears, cornflowers, larkspur, Shasta daisy, and veronica

In a meadow, plant them with lupine coreopsis, Indian blanket, black-eyed Susan and cornflower

Shorter Iceland poppies look lovely at the front edge of a boarder, in the middle or toward the rear of perenni

al beds, or in rock gardens Some poppies are annuals, others perennials

Annuals include corn poppy Paperver rhoeas, which grows 2 to 3 feet tall, blooms late spring through summer and comes in a variety of colors each having a distinctive dark blotch at the base of each petal



We look forward to summer when these poppies bloom in our back garden

The Shirley poppy, a selection from the species, grows to 4 feet tall, its pastel blooms lack the blotch but have a narrow white or tinted edge on each petal

Perennial poppies include Alpine poppy P alpinum, which grows 5 to 10 inches tall, and blooms late spring to summer with white, yellow, orange or red flowers

Iceland poppy, P nudicaule, grows 1 to 2 feet tall and blooms at the same time as the Alpine with many colors of blooms

Oriental poppy P orientale grows 2

to 4 feet tall and also blooms when the others do Usually the petals have a black

blotch at the base The foliage dies back after flowering but begins to regrow in the fall

All of the perennial poppies mentioned are hardy in our zone Follow seed package directions for best results

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

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes Register early Seating is limited Some classes have pre requisites For more information call (248) 4 GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com The schedule includes these classes which take place at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza Propagation Secrets for Making More Plants (\$92 50) Mondays Feb 17 to March 3 the seven session Landscape Design (\$212 50) beginning Tuesday Feb 18 and Trees and Shrubs for Small Spaces (\$3950) Thursday Feb 20

Bromeliad society

The SEM Bromeliad Society will pres ent Tim's Jungle Adventures 2 pm Saturday Feb 15 at Goldner Walsh Nursery 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac Nursery owner Tim Travis will talk informally about his trips to the

rain forest. The greenhouse provides a beautiful tropical setting with ample seating The society will have a display of bromeliads The event is free Reservations aren t necessary

Call (248) 380 7359 Roses

English Gardens presents free garden ing seminars 1 p.m. Saturdays at all five locations including stores in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851 7506) Royal Oak (phone (248) 280 9500) and Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278 4433) Roses The Tried The True and What's New will be the topic Feb 15 Start planning your rose garden now Preview new varieties of roses and get a healthy dose of growing advice to get you started For the nearest English Gardens call (800) 335 GROW or visit www.englishgardens.com Michigan Orchid Society

The Michigan Orchid Society will have a general meeting 2 30 p.m. Sunday

Feb 16 at First Baptist Church 300 Willits in Birmingham

Antique gardens

Landscape historian and preserva tionist Scott Kunst owner of Old House Gardens in Ann Arbor will talk on Antique Gardens American Home Landscapes 1800 1940 7 p m Wednesday Feb 19 at the Orion Township Public L brary 825 Josiyn Road Admission is free Sign up by calling (248) 693 3001 A fast paced presentation of colorful slides will be featured in the discus sion on historic landscapes garden restoration preservat on and uncov ering landscape relics The program will show how plants outdoor furnishings and the design of American yards changed dramatically through the years. It is an eye open ing primer on the landscape relics that survive all around us and will offer essential background for gar

deners wanting to restore a historic landscape or enliven any garden with a touch of the past Old House Gardens is the country's only mail order source devoted to heirloom flower buibs Kunst also teaches grad uate courses on historic landscapes in the Historic Preservation Program at Eastern Michigan University Winter botany

The University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens Adult Education Program offers a variety of classes Call (734) 998 7061 for registration and other information The schedule includes Northern Winter Botany Friday Sunday Feb 21 23 (\$195 \$175 50 for members) a weekend trip based at the UM **Biological Station near Pellston 18** miles south of the Mackinac Bridge



The Storytellers will visit with guests 2 4 pm Saturday Feb 15 at Art Van Furniture 29905 Seven Mile in Livonia to share stories about African American heritage and the celebration of Black History Month and demon strate ethnic musical instruments This enthusiastic duo performs lively presentations and encourages the par ticipation of the children attending **Home improvement**

The Palace Home Improvement Show will run Friday Sunday Feb 14 16 at The Palace of Auburn Hills The show will have more than 300 exhibitors who will display products and services for kitchens baths win dows doors spas remodeling interior design home offices furniture arts and crafts decorative accessories

HOME CALENDAR electronics heating cooling and appliances Hours are noon to 9 p m Friday 9 a m to 9 p m Saturday and 9 a m to 6 p m Sunday Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$6 for senior citizens Admission is free for under age 12 For more information call (248) 862

1019 or go to www builders org Auction

DuMouchelles 409 E Jefferson in Detroit will conduct an auction Friday Sunday Feb 14 16 Times are 6'30 pm Friday 11 a m Saturday and noon Sunday Exhibition hours are 930 a m to 530 p m Thursday Call (313) 963 6255 or visit www.dumouchelle's.com Among the featured items will be ster ling silver flatware Orientalia American art pottery large fountains furniture and art works

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AT HOME

Design center showcase to benefit DSO

The Volunteer Council of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, in cooperation with Michigan Design Center (MDC), will present a major fund-raiser, Orchestrations for the Home, Friday-Sunday, March 7-9

This inspiring design showcase, open 10 a m to 4 p m each day, will give the general public a special opportunity to enter the world of professional designers at MDC in Troy

MDC is at 1700 Stutz Drive, north off Maple Road, between Coolidge and Crooks

The open house will be preceded by a gala opening the evening of Thursday, March 6

Proceeds from both events will support concert and educational activities of the DSO Orchestrations for the Home

will offer an open house of 40plus showrooms at MDC, which is normally open to designers and their clients only

Inside, patrons will be able to view primary sources for designer furniture and fabrics for the home Local interior designers will create more than 50 different vignettes or special room settings for the occasion

Local interior designers, architects, landscape architects and garden and floral artists will be on hand each day to offer demonstrations and lead informal discussions on a wide variety of topics Showcase tickets are \$18 in advance, and \$20 at the door Advance tickets are on sale now at the Orchestra Hall box office, Suite 25 at MDC, the Somerset Collection Concierge, Big Beaver Road and Coolidge in Troy, Blossoms in Birmingham, Hagopian in Novi, all English Gardens locations, and the League Shop in

Grosse Pointe Farms Tickets can also be bought by calling (313) 576-5111 or visiting www.detroitsymphony.com

Groups of 15 or more are eligible for a pre-opening docentled tour, beginning at 9 30 a.m March 8 and 9 Space is limited Call (313) 576-5154 to

make arrangements Additionally, Orchestrations for the Home will present a series of design-related seminars featuring internationally renowned guest speakers, including Mariette Himes Gomez of her namesake firm, Carlton Varney of Dorothy Draper and Company, and Jeffrey Simpson of Architectural Design

Architectural Digest. Lecture tickets for Varney, Himes Gomez and Simpson are \$15 and are in addition to the general admission ticket

A special Sunday brunch, catered by Opus One, will take place March 9 with designer Alexa Hampton, president of the design firm founded by her father, Mark Hampton Tickets to the brunch are \$50 and include general admission

The gala opening will start at 6 30 p m March 6, offering patrons an advance look at this celebrated designer event

Opus One restaurant will cater the gala's cocktail reception and buffet supper, and chamber music performed by members of the DSO will be heard throughout the design center For gala tickets, call (313) 576-5154 Benefactor tickets are \$400 per person, patron tickets are \$250 per person and donor tickets are \$150 per person

A 24-hour design showcase information hotline is (313) 576-5155



aminate flooring is steadily gaining popularity in the marketplace

Many people recognize this material by one of its brand

ad names, Pergo There are, however, many other manufacturers Two major manufacturers beside Pergo are Wilsonart and Formica



and Formica Most people see the name Formica and think of coun-

tertops By and large, laminate flooring is the same material as Formica counter material

Laminate flooring is available in square or rectangular pieces made to look like stone or tile and in planks that simulate wood Both look pretty much like the real thing, with the tile and stone looking surprisingly so

TIPS

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wall but in an area where the door is visible from the bed Such a location is more empowering If possible, try to place the bed in a position where there is a pleasant view in the morning

■ Opt for a solid headboard, which tends to make occupants feel more grounded and safe

Rid the bedroom of electronics, especially television sets, exercise equipment, clutter and other items with the potential to distract from romance

Use serene colors in the bedroom to create an environment that s conducive both to sleep and romance

By Nicole Stafford

The laminate surface is bonded to a medium density fiberboard (often called Masonite) substrate The individual pieces have tongue and groove edges, which are glued together The result is a smooth, gap-free surface

Unlike conventional flooring, laminate isn't attached to the sub floor It "floats" on a thin layer of foam underlayment

A quarter-inch gap must be left at all edges of the floor to allow for expansion due to changes in temperature and humidity These gaps are easily covered with quarter-round molding or other trim, which would normally be used to finish flooring

Installation of the laminate flooring is easy and can be done with ordinary tools The instructions supplied by the manufacturers are generally simple to follow Do-it-yourselfers will be able to efficiently install laminate flooring and create a very professional look-

ıng job

Laminate can be applied over many existing surfaces including wood, vinyl and concrete, even some carpeting I personally wouldn't recommend the latter, however

Major manufacturers require vapor barrier when installing the flooring directly over concrete All offer their own brand of 6-mil poly but just about any 6-mil poly should work Check with the packaging, however, to verify whether using another brand of vapor barrier will cause warranty problems

Most manufacturers have both standard and premium grades of foam underlayment I highly recommend the premium grade because it has better sound deadening properties

My wrfe's parents have a Pergo floor with standard grade underlayment in their home When we visit them along with our two dogs, the noise the dogs' nails make clicking across the floor can be rather irritating

One criticism of laminate flooring I heard from Dan Murphy, owner of 4 Floors, a Livonia-based flooring installer, is that the warranty on scratching of laminate floors is fairly weak by some manufacturers

Laminate is quite hard, however My wife's folks have had theirs for many years with little signs of scratching or wear

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Dan for contributing labor and flooring materials on several of our Habitat for Humanity projects this year

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad a col umn on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident Send any ques tions or comments to Jachym at askdad@ comcast net or in care of Ken Abramczyk. Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E. Maple Birmingham 48009

Vinegar helps paint last longer on concrete

When you paint concrete,

you can keep the paint from

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY For AP WEEKLY FEATURES

If you ve just painted your garage floor and now the paint is peeling, here's a tip that will make paint on concrete stick the next time you paint peeling off by washing the floor first with warm water, then rinse, and let the floor dry thoroughly for a least a day Using a clean paint brush, apply a coat of white vinegar as a pre-paint primer Once it dries, it will increase the bond, and the paint you apply will hold and last much longer

This works on most things made of concrete, and benefits many other types of surfaces, too, such as metal, wood or plastic

Charlotte Ford to speak in area on etiquette

Charlotte Ford, the author of several books on manners and etiquette, will be the keynote speaker at the kickoff luncheon Thursday, Feb 20, for The Community House's 13th Annual Antiques Festival

She will discuss her book, 21st Century Etiquette, at The Community House, 380 S Bates, south of Maple between Southfield Road and Woodward in Birmingham

A patron reception will take place at 10 30 a.m. The

luncheon will begin at 11 30 a m Patron tickets for the reception and lunch are \$75 Lunch

tion and lunch are \$75 Lunch tickets are \$50 For tickets, call The Community House at (248) 594 6403, or e-mail info@communityhouse com

The festival will take place Friday-Sunday, March 14-16, at The Community House

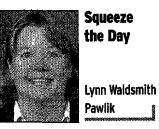
Ford's grandparents, Henry and Clara Ford, attended the grand opening of The Community Houses current site March 17, 1930



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Let me count the ways

ne Saturday afternoon my 6-year-old daughter walked into the bathroom where I was on my hands and knees scrubbing the toilet

She looked at me and said, "Ooooh, that's gross! When I grow up I'm going to marry a man who cleans the potties"

"Good luck," I said Now to be fair, my husband does clean the bathroom on occasion, but not nearly enough

Another time I noticed my daughter had a genuinely disappointed look on her face as she examined a potato chip I asked her what was wrong

"Mom? Is it true if you eat a potato chip with black on it, the chip will kill you?"

"No, of course not Who told you that?"

"A boy at school I didn't believe him I guess he's not very smart if he thinks a black spot on a potato chip will kill you, right?"

"I guess not"

"I guess I won't marry hım, then "

It's interesting to note the qualities our first-grader is already beginning to value in the opposite sex, and appreciating someone who is helpful and smart is certainly a good starting point

I realize now how we spend so many years of our lives discovering and searching for the qualities we value in a partner, yet once we're married it's easy to forget what attracted us to our spouse in the first place

So as Valentine's Day approaches, it's time for me to tell my husband some of the reasons why I love him

For your smile For making me laugh For trying to make me

laugh even when I don't For letting me sleep in on



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A candlelit stairway was a path to love for Andrea Paparelli-Simpson and her husband, Michael

Couple wins contest for most romantic wedding proposal

BY RENEE SKOGLUND STAFF WRITER

When Andrea Paparelli-Simpson returned from an errand to the home she shared with Michael on a hot August afternoon in 2001, she found a note pinned to the front door "Find me," it said

Andrea walked into a house aglow with candles that lit a path lined with Hershey Kisses The path led her upstairs where she found enticing clues to unexpected destinations Her final destination was the bathroom There, her soon-to-be fiance awaited her on bended knee in a pool of rose petals In his arms were

'He keeps quiet and then every once in awhile he

comes up with something like this."

Andrea Paparelli-Simpson

Lessons in Love contest winner

other girl I sent over a drink to say I m here She didnt know where it came from She may have thought I was just a nasty guy hitting on her"

"He caught my attention,' said Andrea 'He sent a drink over to my table, sort of one of those across-theroom things

the one (who's) always romantic I just come up with things in spurts to keep things alive," he said

Even the engagement ring's design was Michael's idea, said Andrea They previously had talked about getting engaged and had looked at a few rings, but it hadn't been a serious search Apparently, Michael was making notes

He smooched a couple of ideas together about the ring We were just talking I didn't think it would happen that year'

Married just three months, the couple is refinishing their kitchen Its been a few weeks since they found out they won, but Andrea 15 still amazed at her hus-

the weekends For all the projects you do around the house (but never

quite finish) For making me feel beauti-

ful For giving me beautiful

children For being understanding For encouraging me

For seeing and hving life with hope

For putting up with me when I greet you with a grunt instead of a smile

For putting up with me when I tell you what to do instead of ask you.

For loving me, even when I take you for granted. For saying "I love you,"

even though I don't say it nearly enough For always being there

when I need you And for never once telling

me that a black potato chip will kill me Happy Valentine's Day!

Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik and her family live in Plymouth You can e mail her at pawlwald@comcast net

How to submit an announcement

Local engagement, wedding anniversary and birth announcements run in the Thursday editions of the Observer There is no charge to submit an announcement Submit pertinent information along with a black and white or color photograph, or digital images (sent via e-mail and saved as JPEG's) All announcement photographs will be published in a vertical, 2by-3 format, with no exceptions We will not be responsible for lost or damaged pictures Send information to the Observer, attn Brad Kadrich, 794 S Main, Plymouth, MI, 48170 Or call (734) 459-2700

two dozen red roses and a diamond engagement ring

"Now that I have kissed the ground you walk on and showered you with roses, will you be my wife?" he said

And that's how Andrea Paparelli-Simpson and Michael Simpson, both 24, won the Observer Newspapers'"Lessons in Love" contest for the most romantic wedding proposal On Thursday, Feb 13, they'll head out for a night on the town that includes a Red Wings game, dinner at Little Italy's in Northville, transportation by J R. Tours of Novi, and a night at the Fraser Inn in Northville They'll also receive candy, roses and a \$250 gift coin from Orin Jewelers in Garden City

The couple, married since Nov 2, were surprised they won

"I was like oh, my gosh, are you serious?" said Andrea, after receiving a call from the Observer's promotions manager

"I was surprised I thought there was some better marriage proposal out there I was actually thrilled," said Michael

It all started two years ago in a club called Faces when Michael spotted Andrea sitting with her friends and was instantly smitten He sent over a drink

"Her looks struck me while I was sitting at the bar," said Michael "She looked unlike any

Angela then asked Michael to dance, and the rest, as they say, 18 history Now pan this picture to a day eight months later Andrea and Michael are sharing a home Michael is fidgety He asks Andrea if she has errands to do, maybe at the supermarket or the mall No, she says

She's cranky and wants to stay home and watch television Michael goes to the basement and calls Andreas father Your daughter is not leaving the house, he says Do something

Andrea's father, Paul Paparelli, who owns a Canton catering business, asks her to come over and pick up a bank deposit She's gone

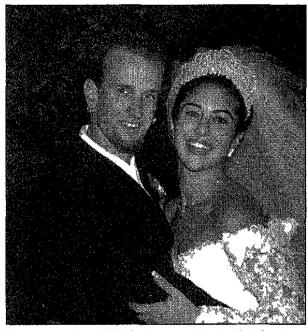
over an hour, enough time for Michael to strew the house with Hershey's Kisses and poise himself in the

bathroom Ah, romance Michael, who describes himself as "quiet and shy," doesn't know exactly where he got the idea of chocolate kisses and rose petals "I was looking around, asking other couples how to propose I wanted to do something totally off the wall I'm not really

band's creativity and romantic nature

"He keeps quiet and then every once in awhile he comes up with something like this," she said

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A romantic gesture led to this happy wedding day for Michael Simpson and Andrea Paparelli



Choosing a winner for the Observer Newspapers' second annual "Lessons in Love" contest once again proved difficult We received samples of so many unique, funny and heartwarming ways to propose marriage Here are a few

Garden City resident Nancy Murrays husband proposed to her on Valentine's Day He took her to a special restaurant In the parking lot, he started unbuttoning his shirt, saying his doctor was concerned about a particular area on his chest Finally, he flung open his shirt, displaying a chest that read "Nancy, will you marry me?" He had gone to a barbershop and had a heart shaved on his chest with those memorable words

Joyce Anspach of Livonia wrote "I don't recall

the words that my husband used to propose to me, but I do recall the yellow moose tag that he placed around my ankle for me to wear until he purchased my ring'

When Jessica Oliverios boyfriend, Ben, asked her to go for a car ride, the Livonia resident didn't realize he had arranged for her to go sky diving When they got to the airport, Ben told her he was not jumping with her She went up in the plane, jumped, and after she pulled her parachute she looked down at the airport She could read a huge sign that said, "Jessie Q, will you ?" She landed and Ben was waiting on bended knee

During his travels as a young adult, Gregory Yanık of Plymouth came across an ocean cliff overlooking the Golden Gate Bridge He thought it the perfect place to get engaged someday When he found his special woman, they flew to San Francisco and climbed along the cliffs

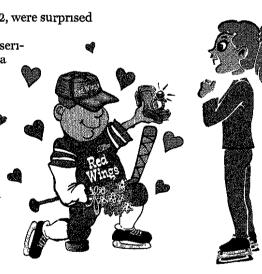
He brought nine silver and one pink balloon, the pink carrying the marriage proposal inside Soon the sun sank, the fog rolled it, and it began to rain His future wife, dripping wet, let go of the balloons He proposed in the car and has been happily married ever since

When Rob Feldman of Farmington Hills invited his girlfriend, Alisha, to the movies, she had no idea

she would be the featured event, wrote his mother, Joan Feldman Alısha was confused The movie appeared to star family and friends talking about her and Rob There were old college friends singing "Do wop, marry him" Next, Rob appeared on the screen and asked Alisha to marry him When the lights when on, co-conspirators held up signs reading "Say yes!"

She did Scott Tarach of Westland wrote Darius Rucker of Hootie & the Blowfish several times before one of the band's concerts asking him to propose to Scott's girlfriend, Jaime Darius complied During the concert, he spoke of Scott's love for Jaime and told her Scott wanted to marry her A spotlight was put on Scott and he bent down, pulled out the ring and proposed Jaime said yes, and "the crowd went nuts," wrote Scott

Canton resident Julie Baechler, whose husband is the head football coach at Canton High School, had her wedding proposal announced over the PA The principal came on and said he had an announcement She soon heard her future husband's voice saying, "Julie Tortora, will you marry me? If so, I'll meet you in the hallway If not, I'll see you in your room" Soon Julie heard screaming from all the surrounding classrooms and music blaring from the band room She accepted



AROUND TOWN

Plymouth Children's Nursery Co op

school year Openings for 3 4 year

olds various class times and days

Call Nola Wellman at (734) 453 0595

National Alliance for the Mentally III

holds its Public Education Meeting

7 30 9 30 p m Monday March 10 at St

Clare s Episcopal Church/Temple Beth

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Boating Skills and Seamanship Class

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Thursday evening for 11 weeks from 7

9 30 p m at the Plymouth Canton High

School Room 98 To register call (734)

This course is designed to teach basic

mousing skills to Plymouth residents

within the context of the Public Access

Catalog for Windows Being held at the

Plymouth Library Register by calling

Coast Guard Auxiliary beginning

Thursday Feb 20 and held each

is a free event and NAMI may be

reached at (734) 994 6611

Boating Safety

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Basic Computer

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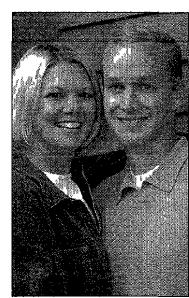
registration has begun for the 2003 04

Nursery Co-op Registration

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



VanderLaan-Greywall Plymouth are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah, to David Kenneth Greywall, son of Kenneth and

Joyce Greywall of Novi Sarah is a 1995 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School, a 2000 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in English and communications, and a 2001 graduate of Michigan State University with a master's degree in curriculum instruction She is currently employed teaching English at Hudsonville High School in Hudsonville, Mich

David is a 1992 graduate of Novi High School and a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in packaging engineering, and will complete his master's at Michigan State University in business administration this April He has accepted a position with Intel for later this year

A June 21, 2003,, wedding is planned at Trinity Evangelical Church in Plymouth

Foreman-Mallets Lon and Donna Foreman of Canton are proud to

announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Marie Foreman, to Jeffry Howard Mallets, son of Raymond Mallets of Fair Grove

Sarah 15 a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 2002 graduate of Central Michigan University with a degree in **Recreation and Parks** Leisure Services Administration

Jeffry 1s a 1994 graduate of Imlay City High School

and a 1999 graduate of Sagınaw Valley State University with a degree in Business Management

Ron and Cheryl VanderLaan of Methodist Church of Plymouth

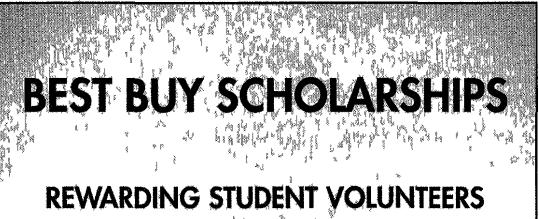
Norgren-Conway

Mrs Lynn Ray of Mooresville, N C (formerly of Canton) and Michael and Janue Norgren of Carleton are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Ann Norgren, to Christopher John Conway, son of Daniel and Patricia Conway of Kalamazoo Laura is a graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and Western Michigan University She is working as a family worker in the Community Action Agency HeadStart Program in Hastings

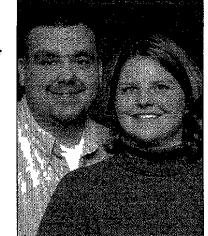
Christopher is a graduate of Hackett Catholic Central High School and Western Michigan University

Chris is working as a substitute teacher in the Kalamazoo public schools

A June 14, 2003, wedding is planned at St Valentine Parish in Redford



Best Buy Children's Foundation will award \$2,000,000 in higher education scholarships this year. Scholarship recipients will be selected. based on community service and academic achievement. Visit your local Best Buy store or www.bestbuy.csfa.org to obtain an application.



An Oct 18, 2003, wedding is planned at First United

Arthritis Self Help Course Do you have arthritis? Learn about arthritis how to help reduce pain pro tect your joints deal with stress work best with your physician and much more A three week course is being held at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in

March 5 12 and 19 The cost is \$20 which includes the 350 page Arthritis Helpbook Call (734) 655 8940 ooking for Artists

PleinAir Painters of Canton Township have an opportunity for a limited num ber of qualified artists to be sponsored at an outdoor summer event Artist profile required Deadline is Feb 14 For more info contact Sharon Dillenbeck of D&M Studios at (734) 453 3710

Open House

St Mary Catholic School hosts an open house from 9 a m to 2 p m Sunday Feb 23 for families interested in hav ing their children attend If you have any questions call (734) 721 1240 Art for the People

The PCAC is hosting the Arts League of Michigan exhibit Art of the People through March 3 For more informa tion call (734) 416 7278 Valentine's Day Auction

Ladies will receive a free Valentine's Day flower and will be treated to a complimentary pre-auction buffet at Blue Willow Auction on Lilley in Canton Call (734) 414 5890 to reserve your seat A portion of the proceeds go to **New Hope Center**

Teen Advisory Board

The Teen Advisory Board meetings Feb 8 and Feb 22 at the Plymouth Library

CALENDAR

(734) 453 7272 **Drug Workshop**

The Teens Using Drugs What To Know and What To Do workshop was devel oped to help people who are strug gling with teen substance abuse issues Part One What To Know will be presented from 7 30 9 p m Tuesday March 4 at the St Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Classroom EC4 Ypsilanti with presenter Ron Harrison SW Part Two What To Do will be presented from 7 30 9 p m March 11 Call (734) 973 7892 for further info

Grief Workshop

Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsor ing an eight week grief workshop From Grief to New Hope beginning Feb 10 This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Cathy Clough director of New Hope Center for Grief Support Meeting for eight consecutive Monday nights from 7 8 45 p m at Ward Presbyterian Church in Northville Call (248) 374 5966

Willow Creek Preschool

Now enrolling for 2002 2003 school year Three year olds meet Tuesday and Thursday Four year olds meet Monday Wednesday and Friday Licensed preschool with certified teachers For information call Sherry Haskell (734) 326 5735 Storytime

Peggy Price Heiney presents a special storvtime for children ages 57 Stories creative dramatics and book selection round out this monthly ses sion at the Plymouth Library Registration is required Call (734) 453 0750 for further information

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 To purchase tickets donate an auction item or help the planning committee call the Arts Council at (734) 416 4278 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 at (734) 453 3016

Free Blood Pressure Screening

Free blood pressure screenings will be taken at the Plymouth District Library 11 am to 2 pm on the third Wednesday of every month No appointment is necessary Call (734) 453 0750 for further information **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

Arbor Road Guests are welcome For more info and dinner reservations contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420 0320

SEPAC

Open to all residents of the Plymouth Canton community as well as school staff and administrators SEPAC (Special Education Parent Advisory Committee) meets every second Monday of the month from 7 9 p m at Discovery Middle School in Canton For additional information please contact Rich Ham Kucharski (734) 844 1714

Plymouth VFW

Fish fries continue every Friday from 5 pm to 7 30 pm The price is only \$7 at the Plymouth VFW 1426 S Mill Brunch will be from 11 a m to 2 p m the third Sunday of each month The cost is \$7

MOPS-Plymouth

The MOPS group is now enrolling for fall Relaxing fun time for moms while the kids ages 0.5 enjoy program of 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 0515 **Colonial Kiwanis of Plymouth**

The Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth meets at noon Thursdays at Ernestos 41661 Plymouth Road Plymouth Guests are welcome For information call Ernie Hughes membership chairman (734) 414 0400

MOPS-Westland

Westland MOPS meets at Westland Free Methodist Church Sept through May on the second and fourth Fridays of the month Free child care Contact Nikki Guenther at (313) 937 2479

La Leche League

Breastfeeding information and support group meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a m For more information and meeting locations please contact Michelle at (734) 397 0197

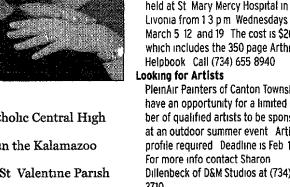
Canton Rotary Club

The Rotary meets at noon on Mondays at the Roman Forum in Canton on Ford Road All guests are invited to join us for lunch for more information on our community and international service projects For more information call Laura at (734) 207 8517 or e mail to ExecSec@rotary6400 org TOPS

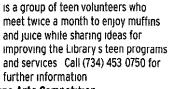
Are you unhappy with your weight? Why not join TOPS? We weigh in weekly and meet to share ideas about losing weight exercising etc. They meet at 6 30 pm on Thursdays at St Michaels Lutheran Church 7000 North Sheldon Road Canton For more information call Debbie at (734) 207 3626

Astronomy Discussion

Plymouth Library offers a free monthly Family Astronomy Discussion Group from 7.8 p m for both individuals and families with children 6 years and older Door prizes slides video and handouts. Call Mike Best at (734) 459 2378



If they're going places, Best Buy should be their first stop.



Fine Arts Competition The PCAC has announced a \$500 fine arts competition for high school sen iors in the P/C school district Applications are now available at the PCAC The deadline for receipt of materials is March 15 For further info call (734) 416 4278

Valentine Dinner

A Champagne Reception at 7 pm Feb 14 followed by a four course dinner at Fox Hills in Plymouth The cost is \$60/per person Call for reservations

CLUBS

BNI Plymouth II

The Plymouth Chapter II BNI Group meets Wednesdays at 7 a m at Denny s Restaurant located at I 275 and Ann Arbor Road We are actively looking for new members Please call (734) 459 5696 for further information West Suburban Stamp Club

Meetings are the first and third Fridays at 8 pm at The Plymouth Historical Society in Plymouth BPW

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6 30 pm at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann **MOMS Club** A local chapter of the MOMS Club well comes interested stay at home moth ers in the Canton/Westland area to meet the third Tuesday of each month MOMS Club offers weekly activities playgroups community service oppor tunities and a lot more! For more infor mation please contact Wendy at (734) 398 6957

Plymouth Canton Jaycees

Looking for people 21 39 interested in making friends helping with good caus es and having a good time. The Jaycees meet at 7 30 p m every second Wednesday of the month at the Plymouth Township Clerk's office Call (734) 453 8407 or show up at the aroup's monthly meeting

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The pasties are coming again! The

Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor

Trail Livonia will be baking up loads of

pasties as a fund raiser Orders will be

taken on March 2 and 9 with pick up on

chance to order Next pasty fund raiser

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile

will be at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia

730 a m to 115 p m Sunday March 9

Donors must be over 17 years of age

weigh at least 110 pounds and be in

Jack Bailey and Friends perform

inspirational songs by Bailey 7 p m

Sunday March 16 at Holy Trinity

Lutheran Church 39020 Five Mile

church at (734)464 0211

Lenten retreat

Livonia For more information call the

The Bethany Peer Support Group of the

Archdiocese of Detroit will host its

annual Lenten retreat April 4 6 at St

John's Center Plymouth Titled Sons

and Daughters Come Rest in Me | Call

Mass a reconciliation service and

2566 Loretta at (586) 264 0284

inspirational speakers Registration

Your Name! the retreat features daily

deadline is Monday March 24 Call Jane

at (248) 548 2765 Patrick at (248) 545

Christina at (313) 565 1457 or Angela at

reasonably good health Call (734) 422

March 13 and 14 This is your last

is in November Call (734) 422 0149

good folks at Newburg United

\$5 children 12 and under \$2 Call (734)

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591 7279 or write Religion Calendar Observer Newspaper 36251 Schoolcraft Road Livonia MI 48150 The deadline for an announcement to appear in the Thursday edition is noon Monday

EVENTS

Valentine card party

SS Simon & Jude Church 32500 Palmer Road Westland will hold a Valentine card party 6 30 10 pm Friday Feb 14 Door and table prizes 50 50 light meal and snacks Bring your friends and play cards and games of your choice Tickets \$7 Call (734) 728 2090 or (734) 729 2716

Casino night

Our Lady of Good Counsel will host Queen of Hearts Casino Night 7 pm to midnight Saturday Feb 15 at the church social hali 47650 N Territorial Road (at corner of Beck) Plymouth Must be 21 Black Jack Roulette Craps 50/50 raffles beverages and pizza Call Terry (734)453 5655 Janeen (734)453 1243 or Susan (734)416 1033

Women's retreat

St Mary's Retreat House in Oxford offers the following retreats for women Feb 14 16 Women of Faith with St. Ginny Silvestri, OSM, Feb. 21 23 Singles Retreat Feb 28 March 2 Its a Closer Walk with the Rev John Lehner OSFS The cost is \$100 per retreat St Mary's Retreat House is located 40 acres at 775 Drahner Road Oxford Call Zora at (586) 977 8993

St. Damian activities

St. Damian Catholic School. 29891 Joy Road (between Middlebelt and Merriman) Westland will host Bishop Earl Boyea at 9 a m Mass on Friday Feb 14 The school will hold a registra

tion and open house noon 2 p m Sunday March 2 for Pre K through 8th grade Call (734) 427 1680 The dedica tion of St. Damian's new church will take place at the 11 a m Mass Sunday March 23 Call the parish office at (734) 421 6130

Casino night

Our Lady of Good Counsel will hold a Queen of Hearts Casino Night 7 p m to midnight Saturday Feb 15 at the OLGC Social Hall 47650 N Territorial Road (at Beck) Plymouth Black Jack roulette craps 50/50 raffles bever ages and pizza Must be at 21 years old Call Terry at (734)452 5655 Janeen at (734)453 1243 or Susan (734 416 1033 Bible conference

The International Christian Education Association will present a Vacation Bible School/Summer Ministries Conference 8 a m to 4 p m Saturday Feb 15 at Ward Presbyterian Church 40000 Six Mile Road Northville Choose from 30 workshops covering storytelling scripture memorization techniques for working with children use of music recruiting workers retreats etc Cost is \$35 in advance \$45 at door Lunch included Call (248) 557 5526 or visit ICEA Web site at www.iceaOnline.org

Marriage encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter offers a weekend experience for married cou ples to improve their communication skills learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. The next weekends are scheduled Feb 14 16 March 14 16 and April 11 13 at the St John's Family Life Center 44011 Five Mile Road Plymouth \$50 registration fee Also scheduled March 14 16 at the Columbiere Center 9075 Bib Lake Road Clarkston For more information or to register call Bill and Carol at (248) 528 2512 or Dan and Debbie at

(810) 286 5524 or visit www.rc.net/detroit/wwme **Blood drive**

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive 2.8 p.m. Monday Feb 17 at Plymouth Church of Christ 9301 Sheldon Road Plymouth Walk ins are welcome Call (734) 453 7630 Hymm festival

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NEW VOICES

Michael and Christine Mass

of Livonia announce the birth of their son, Aaron James, on Dec 18, 2002, in Oakwood Hospital, Dearborn He weighed 8 pounds 5 ounces, and was 22 inches long Michael joins big brothers,

Nicholas, 5, and Jacob, 2 1/2 Grandparents are James and Virginia McCarty of Garden City, Ed Mass and Cheryl Barr of El Paso, Texas, and Darlene Sellers of St Petersburg, Fla Great grandmother is Mildred

Schreib of Columbia, Tenn Aaron's Godparents are Julie Spencer of Plymouth and Tim McCarty of Livonia

Steven Sawulski and Amy Schuller of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Brittany Marie Sawulski, on Dec 19, 2002, in Garden City Hospital She weighed 6 pounds 5 ounces, and was 20 inches long Brittany joins big brother and sisters, Stevie, 51/2, Melissa, 41/2, and Allyson, 3 Her grandparents are Richard and Gloria Suttle of Canton, and Karen Sawulski and Richard Sawulski of Redford

Dec 20, 2002, in Garden City Hospital He weighed 8 pounds, and was 21-1/2 inches long

Joel joins big sisters, Amanda, 11, and Allison, 6

Grandparents are Robert Burns and Elaine Harris of Redford, and Raymond and Marie Gilreath of Plymouth

Brian and Melanie Conn of Plymouth announce the birth of their son, Charles John, on Dec 21, 2002, in Garden City Hospital He weighed 8 pounds 2 ounces, and was 21 inches long

Charles's grandparents are John and Rosemary Dean of Westland, Madeline Labhur and Charles Conn

Gregory Gill and Lisa Dienes of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Kimberly Lynn Gill, on Dec 24, 2002, in Garden City Hospital She weighed 7 pounds 12 ounces, and was 21 inches long Kimberly's grandparents are Steve and Deneen Dienes of Westland, and Joe Gill and Jalene Anderson of Byron Center

Lynn Pool-Donahue, on Dec 22, 2002, in Garden City Hospital She weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces, and was 19-

1/2 inches long Her grandparents are Diane Pool and Timothy Donahue of Westland, and Carrie Johnson of Inkster

Daniel and Kimberly Nowak of Livonia announce the birth of their son, Joshua Michael, on Dec 24, 2002, in Garden City Hospital Joshua weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces, and was 19 inches long

He joins big sisters, Kayla, 3, and Katlynn, 1

His grandparents are Dale Walker Jr and Margue-Beth Cooper of Roseville, Walter Nowak Jr and Trudy Mindick of Detroit

Williams of White Lake

Frederick and Johnna Canty of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Breanna Kay, on Jan 6, 2003, in Garden City Hospital

Breanna weighed 7 pounds 14 ounces, and was 21 inches long

Kirk and Colleen Thompson of Westland announce the birth of their son, Caden Wade, on Jan 7, 2003, in Garden City Hospital Caden weighed 6 pounds 15 ounces, and was 20 inches long

He joins big brother, Kyle 3 Grandparents are Bert and Karen Edwards of Garden City, Sharon Wallen of Westland, and Curt Thompson of Deckerville

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St Priscilla 19120 Purlingbrook Livonia will hold an adult Bible study 9 30 11 a m Tuesday mornings For information call (734) 421 5240

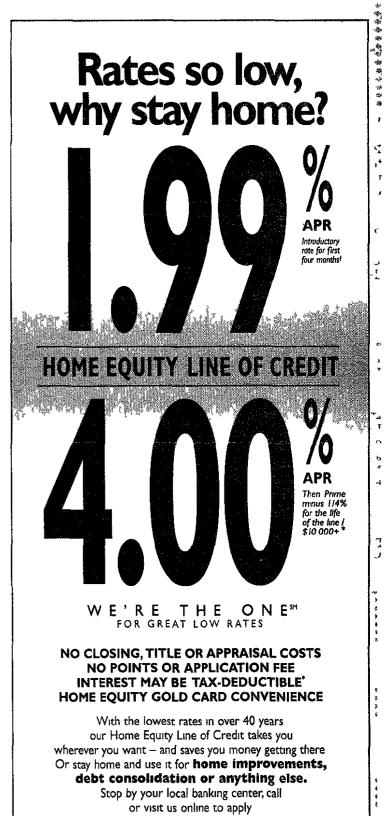
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Brian Johnson of Inkster and Fallon Pool-Donahue of Westland announce the birth of their daughter, Aviana Emajae

Scott and Dena Williams of Garden City announce the birth of their daughter, Madelyn Grace, on Jan 4, 2003, in Garden City Hospital She weighed 8 pounds 15 ounces, and was 21 inches long Madelyn joins big brother, Mathew, 3

Her grandparents are Paul and Marion Wint of Garden City, and Ed and Lynne

Rashad Johnson and Trista Gladden of Romulus announce the birth of their daughter, Makayla Veronika Johnson, on Jan 8, 2003, in Garden City Hospital She weighed 6 pounds 5 ounces, and was 20 inches long

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Throwing Stones....

The old saying that *people in glass houses shouldn t throw stones* is a picturesque way of saying that people shouldn t judge others for sins which they themselves are guilty of This is the proverbial *pot calling the kettle black* " It reminds us of Jesus advice to take the log out of your own eye before trying to remove the speck from your brother's eye (Matthew 7.4) We often seem to have a blind spot for our own sins though we usually are quite aware of these same sins in our neighbors Again and again Jesus tells us to *Judge not that you be not judged* (Matthew 7.1) Perhaps one of the most memorable examples of



 this in the Bible is when a crowd brings to Jesus a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery They put Jesus on the spot by saying that "in the law Moses commanded us to stone such What do you say about her? (John 8 5) Jesus response is simple and beautifully compassionate Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her (John 8 7) One by one they went away leaving no one to condemn her Ultimate judgment is reserved for God alone and while God was here on earth in the form of Jesus He reserved his harshest wisdom for those who were hypocritically judgmental

For with the judgment you pronounce you will be judged, and the measure you give with be the measure you get. R.S.V. Matthew 7:2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rohraff-Zgorzelski

Doug and Linda Rohraff of Westland announce the forth coming marriage of their daughter Vicki Rohraff, to Scott Zgorzelski of South Rockwood

Vicki is a 1992 graduate of Wayne Memorial High School She is employed with Dearborn Cardiology Associates

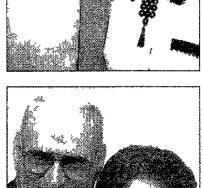
Her fiance Scott 1s the son of Bill Zgorselski of Temperance and Tina Lamb of Fishers, Ind He is a 1993 graduate of Bedford High School He is employed at Meyers Warehouse and is attending college The couple

are planning to wed in February at St Mary's in Wayne They will be making their new home in South Rockwood



Richard and Lois Chapin of Livonia are celebrating their 50th wedding anniver sary on Valtneines day Thev were married Feb 14 1953, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Chuich in Detroit They have been Livonia residents 47 years

Richard and Lois have four children Gary (Mona) Chapin Bruce (Jennie) Chapin, Kirk (Julie) Chapin and Sally (Doug) Free 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren A family celebration is planned in Cancun Mexico



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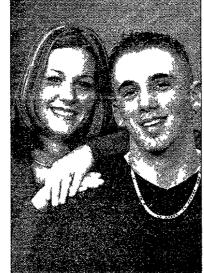
Samuel and Gloria Toye of Westland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary The couple was married Feb 7, 1953 They have lived in Westland 35 years

Samuel and Gloria have two children, John Toye and Linda Toye and two grand children

Samuel has been retired 10 years

The couple will celebrate their anniversary later this summer





Rivard-Fontaine

Robert and Debra Rivard of New Baltimore announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Rivard, to Rick Fontaine of Westland Lisa is a graduate of Michigan State University She is a teacher at Duncan

Elementary, Utica Schools Her fiance, Rick, is the son of Richard and Lauren Fontaine of Westland He is a graduate of Michigan State University He teaches at Dakota High School, Chippewa Valley Schools The couple are planning to

wed July 2003

McCuean-Carcone

Donald and Karen McCuean of Redford announce the engagement of their daughter, Shannon Christine McCuean to William Joseph Carcone of Redford

Shannon is a graduate of Redford Union High School and is pursuing a degree in dental hygiene from Oakland Community College She is employed by Dr Decapites as a dental assistant.

Her fiance, William, is the son of Steve and Linda Carcone of Redford He is a graduate of Redford Union High School He is employed by Reflections Building Co





Bol-Jastrzebski

Keri L Jastrzebski and David R. Bol were married Oct 19, 2002, at St Thomas a'Becket Church in Canton Parents of the bride and

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groom are Linda Jastrzebski of Canton, Sheryl Bol of Livonia and Kenneth Bol of New Boston

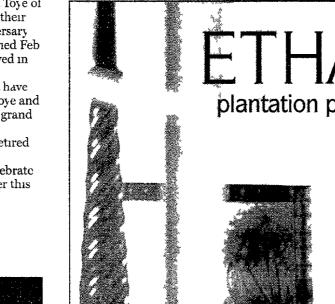
Attending the couple were Meredith Havenhill, Diana Jastrzebski, Julieann Jastrzebski, Lindsay Lamberty, Jason Gradinac, Brian Butchart, Michael Mautone and Nathan Hunt Keri and David are mak-

ing Kalamazoo their new home

Militello-Boedigheimer

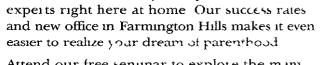
Len Mihtello III of Allen Park and Martı Boedigheimer of Livonia were married Jan 18, 2003, in The Little Wedding Chapel at Heritage Park

Len 1s a 1993 graduate of Allen Park High School and Martı a 1993 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School They met two years ago through best friends The couple is making their new home in Westland









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Salem rules

Salem s volleyball team had few problems subduing Northville Monday in a Western Lakes Activities Association

crossover match The Rocks rolled to a

153152 victory at Salem Amanda Bradley turned in an out standing performance col lecting eight service aces and seven kills Jordan Falcusan added two aces five digs and 10 set assists Other contribu tors were Ellen Canale with three kills Jill Niemi with six digs Macy Lepper with five

digs Maggie Tudor with three digs and Lauren Price with four kills The win gave the Rocks a 19 7 overall record 5 2 in the WLAA

📟 Coaches needed

Canton HS is looking for a boys soccer coach Longtime coach Don Smith has resigned as boys coach however he will continue as the girls varsity coach

Anyone interested should send a letter to athletic direc tor Sue Heinzman at 8415 **Canton Center Road Canton** MI 48187 or fax it to her at (734) 416 2923

Salem HS is searching for a girls junior varsity soft ball coach for the spring sea son Applicants must have previous experience in fast pitch softball either playing or coaching Interested appli cants should call Salem ath letic director Tom Willette at (734) 416 7775

Plymouth Christian cademy needs a varsity boys soccer coach for next fall Former coach Rick Ericson was forced to resign because he is taking a new job in Indiana

Canton gridders will continue playing in college

BY C.J RISAK STAFF WRITER

Football will help provide a future for a half-dozen Canton HS graduates Six members of the Chiefs' football team have accepted scholarship offers from NCAA Division II programs A couple of them, at least, could soon be

seen on national TV, if the future remains

as bright as the past for both them and their soon-to-be-team Defensive tackle Dan Farkas and offensive lineman Andv Ray will both attend Grand Valley State in the fall

The Lakers won the NCAA Division II national championship last November and have a strong D-II program in place Hopefully, Farkas and Ray will contribute to its longevity

"He's strong for a senior in high school," said Canton coach Tim Baechler of Farkas 'And he runs real well"

The question is where will Farkas play At Canton, the 6-foot-2, 247-pounder was a defensive tackle - and a good one at that, named to the all-Western Lakes Activities Association team and given a slot at the East-West Coaches' All-Star game this summer

Baechler won't predict when Farkas will play, either "As a junior or a senior, he could be really good," Baechler said, figuring it could take a couple of seasons to adjust to the college game 'He could have gone to Wayne State, but he wanted to play for a winner"

Ray has the potential bulk - he stands

PLEASE SEE GRIDDERS, D6



Salem star can't be contained Rocks' rally dooms Canton

BY C J RISAK STAFF WRITER

There's only so much a coach can do for a basketball team And Canton — despite its 4-12 overall record is not a bad basketball team.

True, injuries have taken their toll But every team has that to deal with that What the Chiefs don't have, the main difference between their opponent Tuesday - Salem - and themselves is a guy like Dave Hoskins

Of course, not too many high school teams have an NCAA Division I prospect on their roster In simple terms, Hoskins makes it a different kind of game, which is just what he did in the Rocks' 63-52 victory over Canton in a game played at Salem

"That's a good team," Chiefs coach Jeremy Rheault said of Salem "They have experience and they're deep

"And Hoskins is the only one who can make passes like that The way we defend, normally a player doesn't get 29 (points) on us What a factor he is '

He is a decisive factor, without question If he isn't scoring, he's finding an open man who will score. Or he's rebounding a missed shot

"He's definitely a good player," said Salem coach Bob Brodie, his team now 12-5 overall "Dave's one of the best we've had — maybe the best I hate to say Hoskins (was the difference), but he is such a factor'

Tuesday's game was dead even until the last two minutes of the first half Hoskins' three-point play with 1 04 left in the opening quarter gave the Rocks a 16-13 lead entering the second period Two free throws and a basket by the Chiefs' Steve Thornton, sandwiched around a Salem 3-pointer by Stevland Davis, left the game tied at 23-23 with 2 04 to play in the

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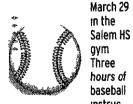
Anyone interested in the position should call PCA ath letic director Doug Taylor at (734) 459 3505 ext 138

PCA is also in need of a girls basketball coach for next fall Annie Malcolm last sea son's coach has resigned due to family considerations

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🗶 Baseball clinic

The annual Salem Baseball Clinic is dividing This spring there will be two separate sessions on consecutive Saturdays March 22 and



Instruc tion from Salem varsity play ers and coaches for those 7 15 years old is included. So is lunch Registration is \$20 To reserve a place or for more information call Ron Myers at (734) 459 4026

Hoop tourney

The Milford Police Department is sponsoring its 14th Annual 3 on 3 Junior Shootout basketball tourna ment March 14 16 for boys and girls in grades 4 12

The entry fee is \$60 per team (four players) and must be submitted by March 10 Call Rick Sharpe at (248) 584 1322

Rocks earn 3 top spots at WLAA

All things considered, the Western Lakes Activities Association Wrestling Tournament went about as well as can be expected as far as Salem HS 1s concerned

The Rocks finished fourth in the 10team tournament, hosted by Plymouth High School Westland

WRESTLING

John Glenn was first with 1815 points, followed by Walled Lake Western (161) and Northville (145 5)

Salem had 1375, finishing just ahead of Wayne Memorial (136) and Livonia Stevenson (134 5) Canton placed ninth with 53 points (see statistical summary)

A major factor in the Rocks' performance was the three first-place finishes

Ryan Stump took top honors in the 103-pound division, beating John Glenn's Saif Naber 10-0 in the title match And Mike Goethe was a winner at 135, edging the Rockets' Rece $\cos 3-2$ in the final

And at 275, Jeremy Walker defeated Stevenson's Paul Bargerstock 4-2 in overtime

The Rocks' problem was an overall

PLEASE SEE WRESTLING, D2

PLEASE SEE SALEM, D3

Penguins earn a victory over N'ville

Meghan Depp scored two goals and Olivia Pennebaker got a goal and two assists to lead the Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls hockey team to a 5-2 victory over Northville Tuesday at Canton's Arctic Edge Arena

Pennebaker got the Penguins started well, scoring in the first period with an assist from Depp Lisa Ely got an unassisted goal in the second period, so did Kara Marsh, giving PCS all it would

HOCKEY

need offensively

But the Pengums weren't through yet Depp made sure the victory would stand up with two third-period scores, Marsh and Pennebaker assisting on the first and Pennebaker and Amanda Rowley assisting on the second

Amy Cauzillo scored both Northville

goals

The win was the Penguins second this season over Northville They beat the Mustangs 4-2 Jan 29 at the Arctic Pond

How times change

The first time PCS went up against Port Huron, Dec. 3 at the Arctic Edge. the Penguins were pummeled 7-2 In the

PLEASE SEE HOCKEY, D6

Smith resigns as boys soccer coach

BY C J RISAK STAFF WRITER

What a run he's had

But after last season, which ended with a 7-8-5 record — one of the few losing seasons Canton soccer coach Don Smith endured — he decided it was time for him to leave He submitted his resignation after the Chiefs lost in the first round of the state district tournament to Ann Arbor Pioneer by a 2-1 margin

However, his decision has just been made public Smith, who has coached the Canton boys soccer program for the last 13 years, will leave, however, he will remain as the Canton girls soccer coach

"I just didn't want to coach the boys any more," Smith said 'I'm still going to coach the girls I just want some time to do some other things

Smith retired from teaching five years ago He now coaches and works parttime at a golf course

"The girls are a bit easier to coach," he

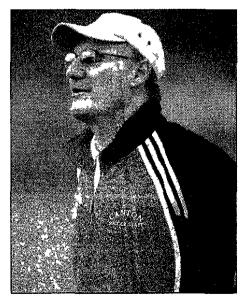
admitted, adding (partly in jest), "We had young groups the last couple of seasons and they wore me out"

Last falls boys squad wasn't easy to handle, to be sure - simply because it was nearly a complete rebuilding job The Chiefs had graduated 18 players from the previous season's team

There's no doubt Smith has guided Canton to lofty heights in both boys and girls soccer The Chiefs have three girls state titles to their credit under Smith, and in 1994 they captured the boys state championship, Graham Wilk scoring the game's only goal in overtime to give them a 1-0 win over defending champ Warren DeLaSalle

Their next best finish in the boys tournament came in 1998, when they lost to Brighton in the state semifinals

Asked what his fondest memories were in his 13 seasons as boys head coach, Smith replied, "That (champi-



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Don Smith had 13 strong seasons as Canton's boys soccer coach, compiling a 169-81-35 record PLEASE SEE SMITH, D6 that included a state championship in 1994.

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Whalers fall prey to league's also-rans, lose 2 of 3

It hasn't been a good week for the Plymouth Whalers

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They opened a stretch of three games in four days, all at Compuware Arena in Plymouth, with a 3-2 loss in overtime to the Saginaw Spirit last Wednesday (Feb 8)

They followed that with a 4-3 loss to the Owen Sound Attack on Friday Now losing is one thing, but losing to teams like Saginaw, which is last in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division at 11-32-3-7 (32 points), and Owen Sound, third in the OHL's Midwest Division at 21-25-4-3 (49 points) especially when your team is one of the league's best, is difficult to take

OHL HOCKEY

Plymouth remained atop the West Division with a 3-2 victory over the Oshawa Generals Saturday, which gave the Whalers three out of a possible six points for the weekend They remain first in the West Division at 32-11-8-2 (74 points), the third-best record in the OHL

Oshawa was 28-22-2-1 (59 points) through Sunday, fourth in the very-tough Eastern Division

Against Oshawa, Cole Jarrett, Ryan Ramsay, Karl Stewart and Chad LaRose accounted for all of the scoring Jarrett's power-

assisted by Ramsay and Stewart and gave Plymouth a 1-0 lead

The Whalers made it 2-0 2 25 later when Ramsay scored (assisted by LaRose) The Generals pulled to within one on a score by John Neal at 11 53 of the first, then tied it at 2-all on Nathan Horton's shorthanded goal 4 34 into the second period

The game-winner came from Stewart at 15 18 of the second (from Jarrett and LaRose) Goalie Paul Drew made that lead stand up, turning away 30 shots Chris Beckford-Tseu had 22 saves for Oshawa

The Owen Sound game last

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play goal in the first period was Friday wasn't so pleasant Six days earlier, Plymouth had beaten the Attack 3-1 in Owen Sound, they weren't so fortunate at Compuware

The Attack got two goals apiece from Patrick Jarrett and Matt Passfield, and two assists each from Juris Stals, Brad Richardson and Mike Angelidis, which gave them a 4-2 lead 1 39 into the third period

The Whalers had a 2-1 lead after one on goals by John Mitchell (from John Vigilante and James Wisniewski) and Jarrett (from LaRose and Ramsay) But after Owen Sound scored three-straight times, they could get no closer than 4-3, on LaRose's 50th goal of the season at 7 27 of the final period (from Stewart and Jarrett)

Drew had 25 stops in goal for Plymouth Dan LaCosta and John Ceci divided time in goal for the Attack, making 24 saves between them

Last Wednesday's game against Saginaw was marred by a fight-filled first period The Whalers' Jonas Fiedler and Chris Thorburn were given game misconducts in the opening period, so were Saginaw's Josh Tataryn and Steve Dix

Thorburn got a goal before being ousted, scoring at 9 36 of the first period (from Tum Sestuto and Ramsay) Sean

Thompson's unassisted goal at 15 44 of the first made it 2-0 in the Whalers' favor

The Spirit countered with a 45 goal with 10 left in the first period, scored by Alex MacDonnell, they tied it at 17 43 of the second period on a goal by James Edgar, then won it at 2 31 of overtime on a goal ъ'n by Geoff Platt

Jeff Weber had 30 stops in goal for the Whalers Tyson Kellerman had 29 saves for Saginaw

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Plymouth plays at Windsor tonight, then hosts Saginaw once again at 7 30 p m Friday and Mississauga at 7 30 p m Saturday at Compwuare

Chiefs keep battling; 'Cats get 2 dual wins

Despite the flu bug that has ravaged the Canton gymnastics team, the Chiefs still managed to put up a good show in losing to Northville-Novi 140 25-134 80 last Thursday at Northville

Canton's strongest event was the vault Brigid Fitzgerald placed first with an 8 85, Jessi Bates was third with an 8 65 and Kara Ahern was sixth with an 8 30

Four Chiefs competed in the all-around, while only one Northville-Novi gymnast did so Bates recorded the best allaround score at 34 50, she was also third in uneven parallel bars (8 8) and sixth in balance beam (8 25)

Ahern's 33 95 was the second-best all-around total Her best individual finish was a tie for third in the floor exercise (905), she was also fourth in the beam (84)

Fitzgerald was third in the all-around at 33 55, adding a fifth in floor (89) to her first in vault

Northville-Novi's Sara Wilchowski was first m both the bars (89) and beam (94), she finished second in vault (88), and did not compete in floor, which was won by team

GYMNASTICS

mate Sarah Ilkhani-Pour (92) "The girls and their routines

are coming together," said Canton coach John Cunningham 'Hopefully, three weeks is enough time to get everyone well and in peak form "

Canton competes at Westland John Glenn at 7 p m tonight

PLYMOUTH QUALIFIES

The Plymouth HS all-freshmen team qualified for state regional competition with its defeat of Ypsilanti Monday

The Wildcats scored 125 95, easily outdistancing the Braves On Jan 29, Plymouth posted

a 120 6-109 35 dual-meet victory over Trenton at Plymouth Alie Saker sparked the

Wildcats, finishing first in the all-around with a 33 85 total She scored an 8 5 in floor exercise, an 8 55 in beam, an 8 45 in bars and an 8 35 in vault

Amy Quiambao was third in the all-around with a 31 35 total, scoring 8 1 on vault, 745 on bars, 795 on beam and 78 on floor

Feb 8 at Plymouth High School TEAM STANDINGS 1 Westland John Glenn

WRESTLING

lack of quality depth They

placed six other wrestlers in

the top six, but none higher

Pete Bobee was pinned by

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than fourth

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INDIVIDUAL FINALS

103 pounds' Ryan Stump (S) won by major decision over Saif Naber (WJG) 10 0 3rd place Adam Blunk (N) dec Dan Rabe (LS) 5.3 5th place James Jones (LF) p Josh Preiss (WM) 3 55

112: Jason Crothers (WM) p Roy Setsuda (WLC) 500 3rd Mike Morffit (WLW) dec Mike Carter (N) 51 5th Justin Smith (LC) won by major dec over Mike Weck (WJG) 217

119 Charlie Rabaut (LS) dec Jared Seaman (WLW) 8 3 3rd Josh D Anna (N) dec Drew Conner (WJG) 11 3 5th Gent Abdullar (LC) dec Rav Stratos (LF) 81

125 Jeff Clare (WLW) dec Brian Clement (LC) 8 6 3rd: Rob Schnettler (C) p Pete Bobee (S) 2 21 5th. Darryl Rice (WJG) won by major

(WJG) 62 **3rd** Dan Bergsma (C) dec Chris Yesbick (WLW) 73 **5th** Kayle McCartt (LF) p Kris Felice (LC) 040

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Adam Lesner (WLW) 10 2 5th Rex Fugaban Bryan Longton (WM) 451 (WM) dec Jared McClellan (LS) 7 3 T71 Steve Wallace (WM

140 Enrique Garcia (WJG) dec Justin Nazaroff (WLW) 6 4 3rd Dan Leith (LS) p Dave Carroll (N) 0 54 5th Chris Ferrari (WLC) dec Randy Bearden (S) 42

145 Daron Cruickshank (WJG) p. Jason Fischer (LS) 5 56 3rd; Mike Siwicki (N) priority dec over Ben Adams (LC) 5th Tony Stott (S) won by major dec over A J Escobar (WLW) 18 10

152 Craig Aubry (WLC) p Jeff Koenig (WLW) 121 3rd Chris McGione (WM) dec Will Schultz (S) 97 5th Rick Riegner (N) won by default over Sean O Halloran (LS)

160 Mark Stewart (WLC) dec Dario Mainella (LS) 7.3 3rd Manuel Schubert (LC) dec Brad Allen (WJG) 11 2 5th. Jeff Goodman (WLW) p

171 Steve Wallace (WM) won by major dec over Eric Schambers (WJG) 10 0 3rd Robert Freeman (LC) dec Steve Minier (N) 218 5th Doug Fellows (LS) p David Mathis (WLC) 0 45

189 Casey White (WLC) dec Jake Fairchild (WJG) 81 3rd R J Ramsey (WM) p Steve Cam (N) 218 5th Hafeez Queshi (LC) dec Jordan Schaefer (S) 5 3

215. Lance Shunia (WLW) won by major dec " over Alex Murray (LC) 11 1 3rd: Dave Quick (N) won by major dec over Brad White (WLC) 18 4-5th. Jeremy Henderson (S) dec Nick Orr (WM) 2 11 20

275 Jeremy Walker (S) dec Paul 🛝 Bargerstock (LS) 42 (OT) 3rd Pat Draheim 🐡 (LC) dec Marc Mueller (N) 4 0 5th Ryan Pokryfky (LF) p Chad Strye (WIW) 2.05

Canton's Rob Schnettler in 2 21 in the consolation final at 125, and Will Schultz was beat-

en by Northville's Chris McGlone 9-7 in the consolation final at 152 The Chiefs' best performanc-

had third-place finishes in all three divisions

Joining Schnettler was Dan Bergsma at 130, he defeated Western's Chris Yesbick 7-3 in the consolation final to finish thırd

Webb got a major decision

And at 135, the Chiefs' Ryan

Lesner, 10-2, to place third Canton did not have another finisher in the top six

over the Warriors' Adam

The state team district tour-" nament will be today, with 34 Canton hosting a district The state individual tournament is slated for Saturday

Schoolcraft survives scare vs. Henry Ford

WRESTLING RESULTS

Schoolcraft College proved to be escape artists Saturday, outscoring host Henry Ford 16-6 in the final 4 17 to pull out an 85-75 win over the Hawks

Schoolcraft improved to 23-1 overall and 10-0 in the Eastern Conference of the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Henry Ford falls to 14-8 and 5-5

Canton's Kenny Nether, who led the Hawks with 23 points, illed a three-nounter from the

But the Ocelots pulled out the win thanks to key baskets down the stretch from Marcus Bennett (20 points), James Holmes (15), along with a huge steal and basket by Wayne Memorial's Gary

Johnson (17) Torvoris Baker added 15 points, while Andre Scott had 10 for the Ocelots, who were outscored from the field (30-28), but made 23-of-30 free throws

(Lavonia Franklin) had six points

They (Henry Ford) were prepared and Abe (Mashhour) had them prepared," Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said "They did a good job adjusting offensively and defensively in the second half They gave us problems They did a good job taking us out of our sets

"We were fortunate to get out with a win But it says a lot about your team when you' not playing well and come away with a win" MADONNA 87 SPRING ARBOR 79 Chad

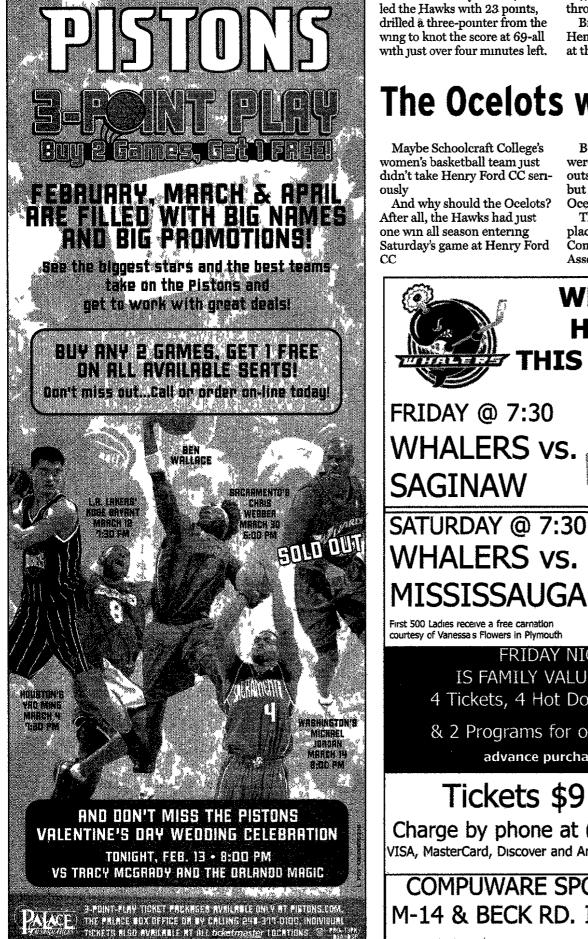
Nadolni tailied 20 points to lead six players in double figures Tuesday as host Madonna University (14 12 6 5) outlasted the Sprind Arbor University (14 15 4 7) in a Wolverine* Hoosier Athletic Conference game The 6 foot 7 2 junior from Novi also grabbed eight rebounds 🗸 🛀 in the victory Other scorers in double figures included WHAC Player of the Week Dan

Kurtinaitis (17) Noel Emenhiser (15) Joe Kofahl (2) Chris Behrns (11) and Aaron Cox (10) AQUINAS 80 MADONNA 63 After pulling off an upset Tuesday of first place Siena Heights

Nadonna University (13 12 5 5) came back down Nadonna University (13 12 5 5) come occur of to reality Saturday in Grand Rapids as six plays ers scored in double figures for host Aquinas College (15 11 5 5) in a WHAC triumph Aquinas

es came at 125 (with Schnettler), 130 and 135 They

dec over Ryan Hawkins (LF) 13 3 130 Tim Hammer (WM) dec Tim Mulroy



wing to knot the score at 69-all with just over four minutes left.

Bryon Cole contributed 15 for Henry Ford, which trailed 45-29 at the half Michael Klisz

led virtually from start to finish The Saints led 38 28 at halftime and maintained a double digit lead throughout the second half

The Ocelots work hard for victory over Hawks

Maybe Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team just dıdn't take Henry Ford CC seriously

And why should the Ocelots? After all, the Hawks had just one win all season entering Saturday's game at Henry Ford

But that didn't mean they weren't capable Henry Ford CC outshot and outrebounded SC, but couldn't quite outscore the Ocelots, losing 74-72

The win kept SC in second place in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern

WHALERS

HOCKEY

Conference at 8-2, the Ocelots are 16-7 overall Henry Ford CC 1s 1-9 in the conference, 1-21 overall

After converting just 14-of-41 first-half shots (34 1 percent), SC found itself trailing 37-34 The situation did not improve substantially for the Ocelots in the second half, they made just 15-of-40 (375 percent) The Hawks, by comparison, made 27-of-62 floor shots (43 5 percent), they also converted 10of-25 three-pointers (40 percent), compared to SC's 7-of-25 (28 percent), and 8-of-11 free throws (72 7 percent), the

20 (45 percent) at the line Couple those figures with a 51-44 Henry Ford rebounding * advantage, and it could easily have spelled defeat for SC But it didn't, mainly due to the 26 turnovers by the Hawks (SC had 11)

Crystal Pittman led the Ocelots with 22 points Mia Henderson added 13, with three blocks and three steals, and Pam Wingate had nine points and nine rebounds

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Henry Ford got 27 points from Katie Van Goethem, 14 points from Stacy Copeland and 12 points (and eight assists) from Dawn Allen



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Greg Phill Livonia Stevenson's girls

swim coach is compiling the boys

best times Updates for the Thursday

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reported by 2 p m Sunday Phill may

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BEST BOYS SWIM TIMES

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SWIM RESULTS

- **CANTON 125** SALINE 58 **Tuesday at Canton**
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Softball, baseball registration scheduled

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will have its spring registration from 6-9 p m Wednesday, Feb 19 in the Ballroom at the Summit in the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton Registration is open to boys

and girls ages 4-18 years who are residents of Plymouth, Canton or live in the Plymouth-Canton school district Those wishing to sign up must bring a proof of residency and a birth certificate with them at time of registration Fees range from \$75-\$110 for recreation

leagues, travel teams' fees are higher All fees are non-refundable Payments may be made in cash, money order or check (made payable to CCJBSA) Call (734) 394-5469 and leave a message For teeball or coachpitch league information, call Chris Angel at (734) 981-3007

SALEM

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half The Rocks scored eight unanswered points in that final stretch, a basket by Hoskins and 3-pointers by Davis and Brad Clark, to take a 31-23 lead into halftime It was a lead they would never surrender

"We tried to wear them down a bit." Brodie said "There's always some sort of pressure (by Canton defensively) We wanted to disrupt that and get them out of their offense

"Their big guys are a load, we didn't want them to get comfortable'

For the first five minutes of the third quarter, the Chiefs struggled Salem outscored them 16-9 in that stretch to build a 15-point advantage, 47-32

It would prove to be the Rocks' biggest lead of the game "We worked through a bad part of the third quarter and got back to within five," Rheault said "I really liked our effort'

Canton scored the final 10 points of the third, Thornton getting two baskets, including a buzzer shot to end the period and make it 47-42 entering the fourth

It was still a five-point game with six minutes remaining in the final quarter when Salem took command by scoring seven consecutive points, four of them by Hoskins

The closest the Chiefs could come after that was seven

Hoskins finished with 29 points, but he got help from Davis, whose three first-half 3-pointers led to 11 points Salem's biggest problem was its 6-for-15 (40 percent) freethrow shooting The Rocks made 26-of-46 floor shots (56 5 percent)

Canton was 22-of-51 (431 percent) from the field and 6-of-7 on free throws (857 percent)

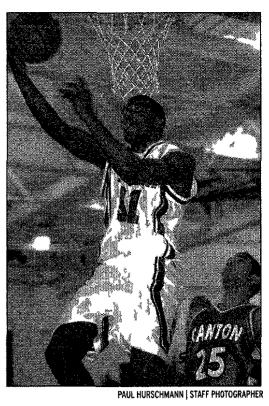
The Chiefs' leading scorer was Thornton with 21 points, he also grabbed 10 rebounds D J Bridges added 16 points and five boards, while Brad Waidmann scored eight points

"Our bench performance was real good tonight," Brodie said Asked if his players are beginning to understand the multiple offenses and defenses he employs, Brodie answered, "Now they are The kids didn't understand their roles before Now they do

That can't be good news for anyone the Rocks may run into come the state district tournament

Agape 60, Britton Macon 45 A strong first half was enough to carry Canton Agape Christian to a victory Tuesday over host Britton Macon

The Wolverines led 19-10 after one quarter and 39-21 by halftime A strong push in the final period enabled Britton Macon to narrow the gap to six with three minutes left in the game, but that's as close as it got



(CP) **D3**

Dave Hoskins was, once again, nearly unstoppable, scoring 29 points for the Rocks.

Jordan Napier and Charlie Henry each scored 18 points to pace Agape Matt Cross contributed eight points and 10 rebounds Britton Macon got 15 points from Justin

Preece Agape improved to 12-5 overall Britton

Macon 18 4-12

A.P. Inter-City 71, PCA 65: A furious secondhalf rally came up short for host Plymouth Christian Academy in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference game Tuesday

The Eagles trailed Allen Park Inter-City Baptist by seven at halftime (30-23) and by 10 after three quarters (48-38). But they poured in 27 points in the final period, 11 of them by Ben Pew, to trim the deficit to a point with 4 31 remaining

PCA was still within striking distance, trailing by three with 31 seconds to go, but could not get the tying 3-pointer to fall.

It was a game of contrasts, according to PCA coach Doug Taylor The Eagles had 18 turnovers in the first half, but just six in the final two periods They followed a 23-point first half with a 42-point second half

Pew paced PCA with 26 points, he also grabbed eight rebounds Clay Welton contributed 18 points, seven boards and three assists, while Dan Carty totaled 14 points and three assists

Inter-City Baptist got 26 points from Levi Wild and 11 from Trevor Daniel

The loss left PCA with a 6-9 overall record, 3-6 in the MIAC Inter-City is 9-7 overall, 6-3 in the conference

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500-yard freestyle

200 yard freestyle relay



THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BOYS BASKETBALL Friday Feb 14 Churchill at Frankfin 7 pm WL Central at Stevenson 7 pm John Glenn at Wayne 7 pm Catholic crossover at Clarenceville 7 pm Catholic crossover at Luth Westland 7 pm Huron Valley at Franklin Road 7'30 p m PREP HOCKEY Thursday Feb 13 Redford CC at PH Northern (McMorran) 6 pm Friday Feb 14 Stevenson vs. Farm Unified (Edgar) 6 p m Saturday Feb. 15 Churchill vs. A A Pioneer (Veterans) 2 pm Franklin vs. W1, Western (Lakeland) 2.20 pm Ladywood vs GP South (City Center) 5 p.m. Stevenson vs. Northvílie (Novi Arena) 610 p m Redford CC vs. Cranbrook (Redford Arena) 8 p.m PREP GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Thursday Feb. 13 Catholic League finals at Madonna 7 p m Luth Westiand at Clarenceville 7 p.m Huron Valley at Franklin Road 7 p m Saturday Feb 15 Wayne State Tournament 8.30 a m PREP WRESTLING Thursday Feb. 13 Division III district at M H Madison 5 p m Division 1 districts at Wayne Redford CC WL Western Garden City 5 30 p m Saturday Feb. 15 (Individual District Tourneys) Division 1 at South Lyon TBA Division III at Melvindale TBA Division IV at New Haven TBA

PREP BOYS SWIMMING Thursday Feb 13 Churchill at Stevenson 7 pm Franklin at Canton 7 p m John Glenn at Salem 7 p m Wayne at WL Central 7 p.m. Friday Feb 14 Redford CC at A A P oneer 7 p m Saturday Feb 15 MISCA meet at Eastern Mich Univ 130 pm PREP GIRLS GYMNASTICS Thursday Feb 13 Liv Unified at Walled Lake 7 pm Canton vs. Wayne Westland at Glenn 7 pm PREP SKIING Thursday Feb 13 Class A regional at Mt Brighton 9 a m COMPETIVIE CHEER Saturday Feb 15 Livonia Public Schools meet at Stevenson 8 am MEN S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday Feb 15 Cornerstone at Madonna 3 pm Macomb at Schoolcraft 3 p m WOMEN S COLLEGE BASKETBALL Saturday Feb 15 Cornerstone at Madonna 1 p m Macomb at Schoolcraft 1 p m **ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE** Thursday Feb. 13 Whaters at Windsor Spitfires 730 p m Friday Feb. 14 Whalers vs. Saginaw (Compuware) 730 p m Saturday Feb 15

Coaches needed for area teams

Mercy High School is currently looking for a varsity lacrosse coach Anyone interested in the

position should contact the ath-

letic department at (248) 476-2836

Bishop Borgess High

Whalers vs Mississauga (Compuware) 730 p m TBA - time to be announced School is looking for a varsity track coach for the spring sports season For more infor-

mation, please call at (313) 255-1100 or send a resume by fax at (313) 255-1102 or by mail at 11685 Appleton, Redford, MI 48239

SOFTBALL TRYOUTS

The TSI Thunderbirds, the TSI Silver Bullets and the TSI Krush are planning tryouts, registrations and informational meetings at 6-8 p m on Monday, Feb 17, Tuesday, Feb 18, and Monday, March 3 at the Doug Gillis Hitting and Pitching Academy in Wixom

There are girls teams in age brackets from 10-and-under to 18-and-under TSI is one of the largest girls fastpitch organizations in the area.

For more information, email TSI at

playfastpitch@hotmail com, or call the director of team development, Bruce Horste, at (734) 981-1796 Also, check out the organization's website at Thunderbirdsoftball tripod co m

RUGBY TRAINING

The search is on for high school boys (grades 9-12) interested in learning rugby football and participating in the Michigan Youth Rugby Association's spring season Rugby 1s a rugged contact sport enjoyed around the world The Michigan Youth

Rugby Association plays against clubs from Brighton, Berkley, Howell, Dearborn, Livonia and Northville

The team has a "no cuts" policy Everyone who practices will play No experience is necessary

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Winter (indoor) training will be 5 30-7 p m every Monday evening beginning Jan 27 at the University of Michigan Coliseum (located on the corner of Fifth & Hill streets), with the possibility of additional sessions being scheduled

For more information, call (734) 761-1988 or e-mail magnette@umich edu

NORTHVILLE RUN

The Galyan's Northville Solstice Run will be held Saturday, June 21 The event 15 designed to promote healthy lifestyles and fitness while providing amenities and entertainment within the Northville community

For more information, please call the Northville Parks and Recreation Department at (248) 449-9941 or race director Alan Whitehead at (248) 420-1376

PLAYERS WANTED

The Motor City Volleyball Club is seeking players to fill teams at 12-, 13- and 14-andunder levels for the upcoming spring season

All teams are pay to play For more information, call Larry or Amber Wyatt at (734) 522-1680 or e-mail MCVBC@aol com

SOFTBALL OPENINGS

The Thunderbirds Softball Incorporated (TSI) Girls Fast Pitch Softball has player openings for the 2003 season Parents with girls between

the ages of seven and 16 years are invited to contact either Mike Roberts (734) 397-1355, Tom Ciotti (734) 748-6081, Brian Starling (734) 718-3360 or Ray Barnes (734) 981-7281, or visit our web site at Thunderbirdsoftball tripod co

SOFTBALL/BASEBALL LESSONS

Road, Wixom, is helping kids

6-18 improve their game with private lessons starting at \$35 per half-hour, or five private lessons for \$160

Instruction will be led by Von Joshua, the Toronto Blue Jays hitting coach, the Oakland University softball coaching staff, Big Ten/MAC All-Conference softball/ baseball players and former professional players Individuals will receive instruction through a series of pitching, hitting and fielding drills

For more information, call (248) 668-0166

PITCHING PROGRAM

Total baseball is offering a seven-week training program for pitchers

Former USA Jr Olympic Team member and Montreal Expo Aaron Knieper will be teaching arm strengthening techniques, pitching mechanics and philosophy

The cost is \$325 per player Classes will be 4-5 30 p m Tuesdays and Thursdays

To register call Total Baseball at (248) 668-0166 or e-mail at totalbballwixom@aol com

HIGH VELOCITY CAMPS

A series of soccer camps for players of all ages are offered at the High Velocity Indoor Soccer facility, under the instruction of former pro player and college coach Andrew Crawford, a Livonia resident

Small Stars is for 3-4 yearolds, just starting out The class encourages parent participation and works on the basics dribbling, passing and receiving, and shooting

■ Kicks with Kids, for 4-5 and 6-7 year-olds, will teach the basics plus the proper techniques for turning with the ball and volleys

Skill Acceleration Camp is for 8-9, 10-11, and 12-15 yearolds This chinic focuses on oneon-one moves to beat an opponent, combination passing and volleys

Striker Camp participants will work on shooting drills, including volleys, side-volleys

Total Baseball, 30990 Wixom 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 concentrates 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 scrimmage Individual and team training is also available

To learn more about High Velocity Sports Instructional Soccer Clinics, visit www hvsports com or call (734) 487-7678

WINTER SENIOR BASKETBALL

Schoolcraft College 15 offering basketball for seniors 50and-over from 10 a m to noon each Tuesday and Thursday, now through the end of March Cost is \$35 for the entire

winter season

For more information, call (248) 478-4457, or just show up Tuesday and Thursday mornings

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SKATIN' STATION STUFF

A five-week learn-to-skate roller skating class, for children and adults, will be from 11 15 a m-noon Saturdays at Skatın' Station II in Canton

Inline roller hockey leagues for all ages are now forming

There's one game a week, which includes shirts for champion teams, a game jersey, referee fees and hockey statistics, rosters, schedules, with champion pictures posted on the web

For more information on all the events, call (734) 459-6401 or visit the web site at www.skatinstation2.com. Items for the Sports Roundup may be faxed to (734) 591-7279 or mailed to The Observer 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150

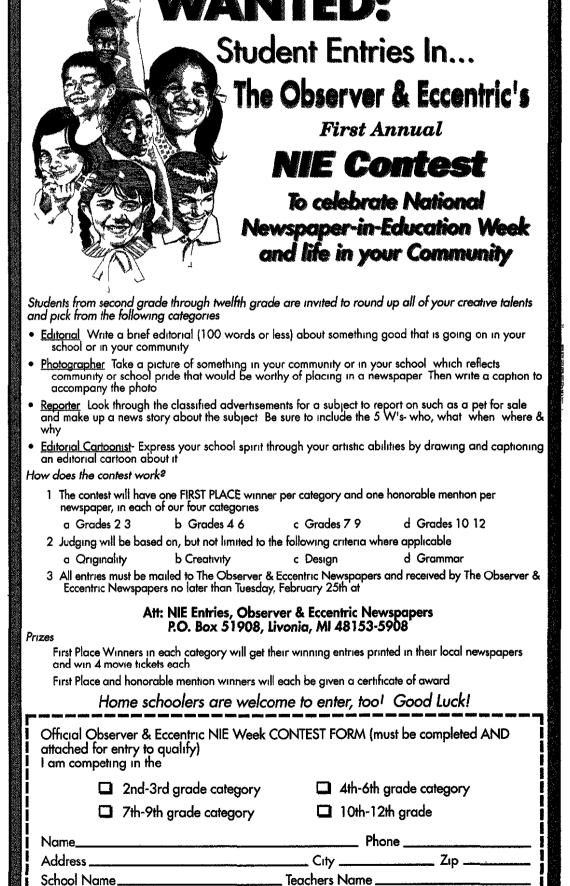


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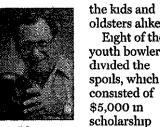
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Winners in Singles included 16-year-old Richard Cochran, who carried a 182 average His games of 231-233-235 totaled 794 with his 75-pin handicap

Cochran earned the top singles prize of \$1,000 in scholarship.

Second place went to Redford's Sydney Davis with an average of 183 He bowled games of 115-133-133/381 with a 342-pin handicap added, good for \$500 in scholarship money

Third place went to 11-year old Jake Potruski of Plymouth, who rolled games of 144-178-136 with a 264- pin handicap gave him a total of 722 and a \$500 scholarship award

Chris Ehrenberg, 16, sporting a 195 average broke the event open with an almost perfect game, a 297 actual, followed by a 192 and 167 for a total of 695 with his 39-pin handicap, earning another \$500 scholarship His 297 was the highest actual game of the event.

In doubles competition, Redford's Cameron Mitchell, 12, and senior bowler Bob Wilson took first with a total of 1,432, capturing a \$1,000 scholarship Second place money (\$500)

was won by Steve Cunningham, 13, of Redford, who was aided by senior bowler Ted Mack with a combined net of 1,432 pins

Kevin McClenic, 14, of Oak Park, teamed up with grandfa-

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ther Harper McClenic for a total of 1,349, good for third place and a \$500 scholarship Len Lightner of Redford was

It's cold, but pike-spearing season heats up

raised during warm weather for its smallmouth bass and muskie fisheries, the northern pike population in Lake St Clair is often overlooked Until the lake freezes over that

Outdoor **Insights**

Once a solid cover of ice forms, pike spearers can be found in force, particularly in Anchor Bay "Usually in

February we're getting to the tail end of the ice fishing season and fishing is really picking up," said Brian Ward, owner of Selfridge Sport and Tackle, on the lake's west shore "Pike are active at this time of year

For some reason people spearing seem to do better than people using tip-ups With the onset of

spring, and the pike spawning season, just around the corner, northerns are feeding ravenously in preparation for the rigors of spawning They're moving into the weedy flats and shallows of Anchor Bay

"Most of them are taken in shallow water, five feet or less," Ward said "The secret is to be patient and to be quiet They're pretty spooky when they're in shallow water like that"

Permanent shanties are nice, but a portable will allow you to move around and finds the fish

Most spearers cut a hole at least twofeet-square A decoy" live suckers in the 14- to 16-inch range are killer" is then lowered into the hole and the wait begins Spearers sit attentively above the ice and wait for a pike to approach "Northern pike are big predators and

they cruise through looking for a meal," Ward said "You have to stay ready, because you never know when they'll show up And they usually dart in, take the sucker, then they're gone If you're

not paying attention you can miss everything"

Spears range from five times to eight tines and weight is a variable

"Most guys like weighted spears, so they can get them down to the fish in a hurry," Ward said

The north end of Anchor Bay off Fair Haven features lots of heavy weed beds, which tend to hold plenty of fish The area north of the Selfridge Air Force Base, at Brandenberg Park, 1s another winter hot spot.

Access to Lake St Clair is available at several public launch facilities including Algonac, off Highway 43 at the mouth of the North Channel and m Fair haven, north of Selfridge, and at Brandenberg Park south of New Baltimore Spearing season runs through the end of February The season is open on inland waters, except designated trout lakes In addition, there is no spearing on Oakland County's Tipsico and Heron lakes For other lakes closed to spearing check the

2002 Michigan Fishing Guide

It should also be noted that there is no muskie spearing on Lake St Clair, the St Clair or Detroit rivers Don't make a mistake and inadvertently spear a muskie Pike are darker in color with light spots while muskies have a lighter background and dark spots Be sure of your target before you let the spear fly

The legal size limit for northern pike 18 24 inches on most lakes and there is a five fish daily limit (That limit includes walleyes, sauger, flathead catfish and northern pike in any combination) For updates on ice conditions, fishing updates and bart and tackle needs call Selfridge Sport and Tackle at (810) 949-2998

Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged Send informa tion to Bill Parker c/o Outdoors 805 E Maple Birmingham MI 48009

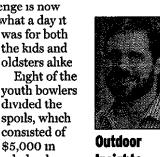
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paired with senior Mike Krywy The pair totaled 1,347 good for fourth place and another \$500 scholarship.

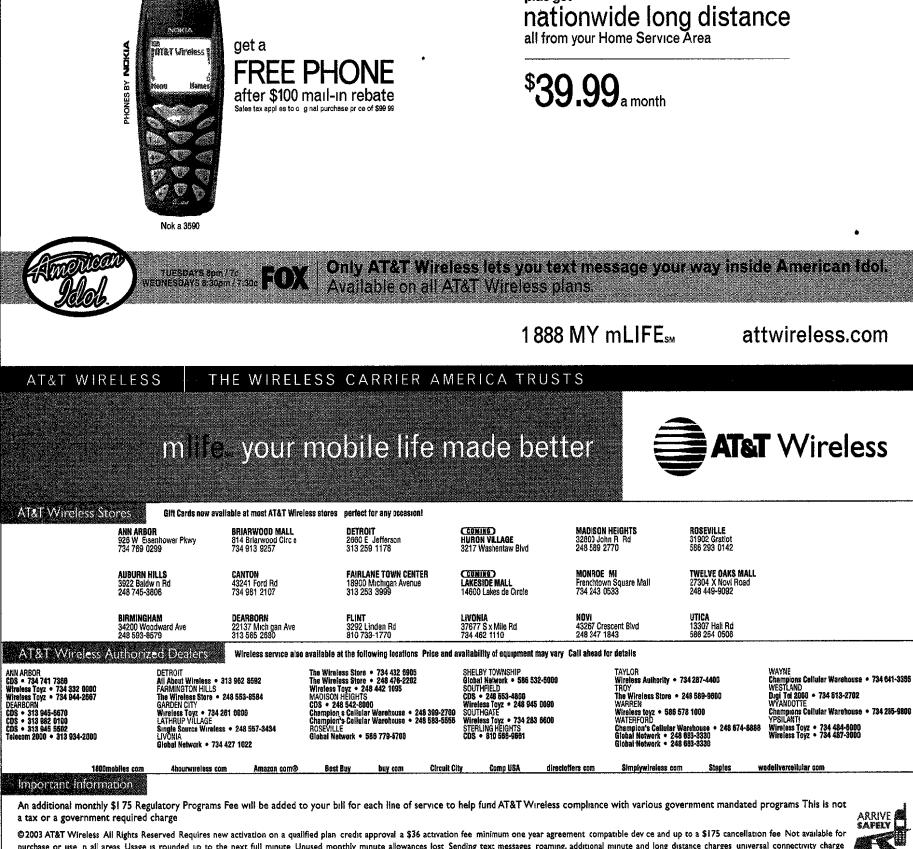
In addition to the scholarship awards, all players received a souvenir printed towel, pizza and pop, and over 140 door prizes, which meant that just about everyone who bowled came away with something of value

Among the door prize donors included Jiffy Lube, Zubor Buick, Dr Whalen, Storm Products, Arby's, Charter One Bank, Pro-Am Bowling Supply, DiLaura Bros, Looney Baker, Gala Hallmark, Steak & Shake, Eternal Tattoos, John Rogin Buick, Livonia Chrysler/Jeep, Adray Photo, Taylor Lanes, Digital Coach with Aleta Sill & Michelle Mullin, Strike Force Pro Shop at Oak Lanes, Bone Yard BBQ, Bally's Health & Fitness,

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Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a director with the Greater Detroit Bowling Association He can be reached at (248) 477 1839



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GRIDDERS

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6-4, 265 pounds - to make an unpact, but Baechler thinks "he has a lot of development to do He's got to get stronger, quicker" While both Farkas and Ray may have to wait and learn to earn their position, Brandon Wilcox is hoping he'll get a shot much quicker as a free safety at Wayne State

"They liked (tight end Chris) Smilo last year," said Baechler "He made their traveling squad



(as a freshman)" Wilcox, 5-11 and 195 pounds,

had enough speed to prevent opponents from getting behind him (4 6 in the 40-yard dash), and his agility in the Pro Shuttle drill impressed WSU scouts "They saw he was fast enough," Baechler said

One other thing Wilcox, a team captain and all-WLAA selection, returned two punts and a kickoff for touchdowns last season, which should increase his value

Zach Caswell, a 6-2, 210pound offensive tackle, and Mike Lafata, a 5-11, 190-pound strong safety, were both signed by St Joseph's College in Indiana, another NCAA Division II program Caswell, who was all-conference at offensive tackle, doesn't have the size for that position in college

"They want to move him to tight end," Baechler said "He's got good size and he runs real well He's a good athlete - he'll be able to make that change"

As for Lafata, "his football savvy and intelligence are exceptional," Baechler said. "He's working on his speed

"We've been telling him, his head will get him there, but his feet have to, too"

Both Caswell and Lafata could be instrumental in helping a program rebuild

The final Canton football signee is placekicker Ankit Kachhal Possessor of a strong leg, Kachhal converted 29-of-34 extra-point placements this season (including two that were blocked) and was 2-for-2 on field goals, making them from 39 and 27 yards

Division placekicker and punter, he averaged 36 O yards per punt. Kachhal will take his talents to

SMITH

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onship) team for sure And the team the season before (last fall) had the talent to go to the final Then there was that '98 team that lost in the semifinals'

In 2001, Canton had posted an 18-2-1 record going into the state district final against Ann Arbor Pioneer, a team the Chiefs had beaten earlier in the season But on a short Wayne Memorial field dominated by a cold, stiff wind, they were upset by the Pioneers 2-1

The '98 squad also had plen-

HOCKEY

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rematch Feb 1 in Port Huron, it was a different game, each team's offense in high gear as they battled to an 8-8 draw

Four first-period goals got PCS going, Depp scoring two of them (the first assisted by Marsh, the second by Rowley), Marsh got the Penguins' first goal (assisted by Sharla Gillespie), Rowley got the second (assisted by Pennebaker)

Pennebaker (unassisted) and Marsh (from Depp and Jessica Rzetelny) scored in the second period for PCS Marsh (unassisted) and Depp (from Rowley) completed their hattricks with third-period goals Amanda Watkins was in goal

for the Penguins

CC adds to win total

A night after playing one of their sloppiest games of the year, Catholic Central's hockey team bounced back with one of their best CC avenged a Friday loss to Gates Mills (Ohio) Gilmour Academy with a 5-1 win on Saturday

ty of potential, but the Chiefs

were ambushed by Brighton

Still, the recollections are,

for the most part, happy ones

And why not? Smith-coached

boys teams posted a 169-81-35

"It will be nearly impossible

to replace Don Smith," Canton

Heinzman said "He is a mas-

ter coach who brings so much

knowledge and character to

the program, he will truly be

Smith gives much of the

credit to the players he

overall record in his 13 sea-

sons Twice he was named

regional coach of the year

athletic director Sue

missed

games," said CC co-coach Todd Johnson "We had very little energy when we played on Friday, but Saturday we had high energy We moved the puck, we finished checks We did the things that we hope to

Pat Coldren opened the scor-Brandon Naurato and Andrew

Coldren scored in the second period on another power-play goal (from Monterrey and Reinhardt), while CC (16-3) added two more in the third period - one from Naurato (from Drew Kahle and Tommy Mullen) and the other from

coached - standouts like Jeff Fliss, Graham Wilk and George Tomasso, all of whom played on the state championship squad, T J Tomasso and Johnny Kaczmarek, who played on the team a couple of seasons ago, and Scott Wright, the speedy forward who was instrumental in the Chiefs' run to the state semifinals in '98 "The boys need someone

who can give them more time, can get them inside during the off-season lifting weights," Smith said "The girls are no problem They're actually dedicated to getting into shape"

Conditioning was always an

Travis Hamway (from Naurato

Gilmour (40-10-3) got its

scoring off Andrew Godoshian,

who played the last 10 minutes

in goal for CC The Shamrocks

outshot Gilmour, 39-18, with

Jimmy Blanchard making 15

Franklin 2, South Lyon 2:

tender Jeremy Peer for the extra

Livonia Franklin pulled goal-

attacker in the final 1 30 and

Dave McCall responded with

the game-tying goal with only

55 seconds to go as the Patriots

and host South Lyon settled for

Kozlowski assisted on McCall's

South Lyon goaltender Vinny

Falaher was outstanding, mak-

Sam Burrows started in goal

for the Patriots, making seven

a draw Monday at the

Kensington Ice House

overall

ing 33 saves

Adam Bierley and Joe

goal as the Patriots' season

record now stands at 12-6-3

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and Tim Buttery)

saves for CC

integral part of Smith's program While other soccer coaches would have rosters with 15 or 16 players, Smith would keep 25 or more - and use nearly all of them

Now Smith will hand over the reins to someone else Whoever does take over can be certain of one thing This program is on solid ground

Anyone interested in the Canton boys soccer coach s position should send a letter of interest to AD Sue Heinzman at 8415 Canton Center Road Canton MI 48187 or may fax it to her at (734) 416 2923

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saves in the first two periods Peer came on in the final period to hold the Lions scoreless, facing four shots South Lyon's Vinny Diroff scored just 18 seconds into the game, but Franklin's Keith Robert tied it at 13 05 of the first period from **Dennis Reetz**

Dearborn Unified 4. Churchill 1: Three unanswered goals in the final five minutes gave host Dearborn Unified (8-9-3) a non-league victory Saturday over visiting Livonia Churchill (8-9-4) at Adray Arena Dearborn took a 1-0 lead into the final period on Troy Brown's unassisted short-handed goal, but Churchill tied it with 9 25 remaining on Chris Barczuk's goal from Justin Toni and Josh Jones Dearborn's Ken Barbour scored what proved to be the game-winner with 4 17 remaining Jonathan Ottenbreit and Brown sealed the victory on goals with 3 07 and 1 35 remaining Brown's was an empty-netter

"It was one of our better maintain heading into the play-

offs' ing in the first period, making a goal four minutes into the game on assists from Mike Monterrev and Eric Reinhardt Two minutes later, Jason Lewarne scored a power-play goal from

Eggert

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

David Medley, ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton, MI 48188 (734) 394 5260

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Hearings are by appointment, please call $354\ 3267$ between 8 a m and 4 30 p m for an appointment

| Tuesday March 4 | 9am Noon 2pm 5pm | Organizational Meeting Hearings by Appointment |
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| Monday March 10 | 2pm 5pm 6pm - 9pm | Hearings by Appointment Hearings by Appointment |
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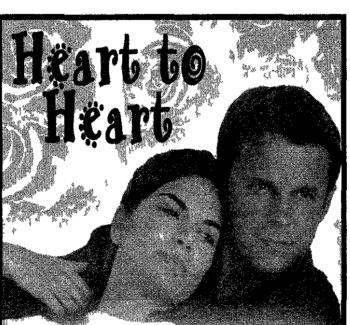
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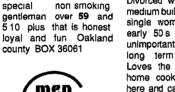
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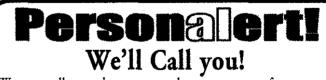
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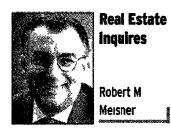
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State law supersedes on lot split

We are attempting to split our real estate and believe that we have complied with the requirements of the State Land **Division Act.**

However, our local municipality seems to be giving us a problem and has rejected our request for it because they claim it doesn't comply with the local ordinance. What recourse do you think we have?

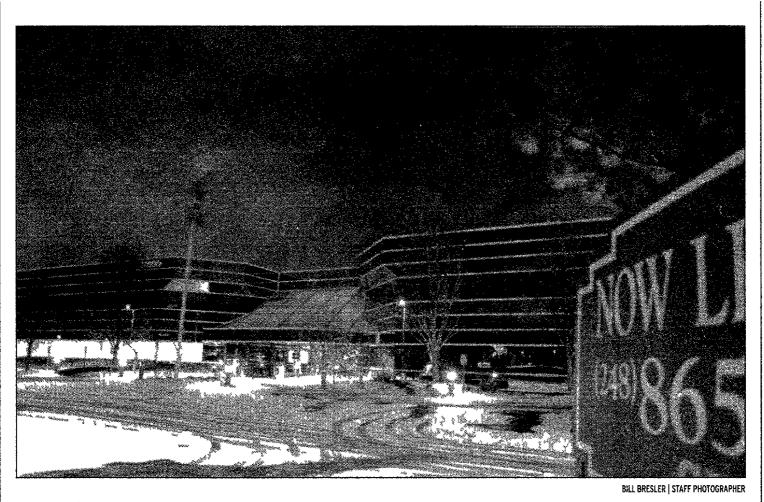
Based upon a recent case issued by the Michigan Court of Appeals, although unpublished, the court held that where a person's proposed land split complied with the State Land Division Control Act, the township couldn't exercise discretion under a local ordinance that denied the lot split on the ground that the proposed split was neither harmonious nor compatible with the character of the surrounding neighborhood The court indicated that the statute doesn't permit such a determination of harmoniousness and compatibility except as a factor for allowing a depth to width ratio different from that authorized from a local ordinance and mandates approval of any proposed land split that meets the requirements of the particular sections of the statutes cited in that decision

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There is a variety of commercial real estate available along Northwestern Highway in Oakland County

Commercial real estate impacts tax base, jobs and quality of life

BY DOUG FUNKE STAFF WRITER

Sometimes, the obvious escapes homeowners who don't realize just how much they depend on commercial real estate activity

It provides places to acquire necessary goods and services like groceries, clothing, supplies for home repairs and gasoline for cars in the course of day-to-day living

It provides employment hubs for breadwinners with all of their financial responsibilities, summer and part-time earning opportunities for college students, and spending cash for teens with entry-level jobs And, by extension, the actual prodicts that people buy

Hodges also touched on another issue "We've consistently been beating drums

carrying to the public at large the importance of a good, quality business district and intrinsic relationship to quality of life," she said

Commercial real estate activity here has been down for almost two years now, Realtors said at a recent forecast luncheon

But things appear to be on the upswing, they added

"All major economists have outlined the fundamentals of Michigan and the national economy as very strong - low inventories, low interest rates, no inflation and 6-7 percent unemployment which until cently was considered full employme

following office and residential activity into the city's central business district "Population comes first Retail comes

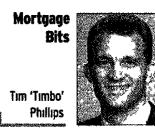
second," Bieri said

"In 2003, we'll get 5,000 new employees with Compuware and EDS, primarily young, high-tech employees," Bieri said GM with a Kresge grant, will remake the waterfront One hundred million dollars will be spent on new school buildings

"Kmart - it's a sad thing with lawsuits, employees getting laid off stores closed," he said "I believe they have pretty strong leadership Clearly, that's very important 'My personal experience is the stores

seem cleaner, brighter, easier to shop," he said "A lot of people are loyal

"They will have 1.500 stores and \$2



Credit scoring differences affect weight

Today's column is the third of four in a series

ost of us can become pretty territorial when faced with the possibility of losing something which is rightfully ours, especially if it is something that took a lot of time and effort to achieve Along these lines, if you have a strong history of paying your bills on time, you have the right to expect a credit score that would be representative of your efforts If you are denied that right, you should be angry, and you are allowed to demand recourse

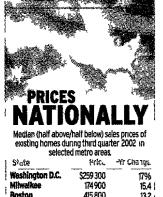
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it report has been posted voluntarily by your creditors The lack of standardızation in reporting practices introduces significant variances in credit scoring Not reporting good credit will necessarily prevent scores from reaching their proper levels Yet, it's totally legal not to report good credit

Credit scores may also vary greatly from one repository to another due solely to varying weights that they each put on different factors A recent late payment with one credit repository may weigh as much as an open collection with another One may hammer you for an unpaid medical bill while the other may give it little credence

The intellectual property ontained within the credit scoring modules has quickly gained the attention of consumer watchdog groups and lawmakers alike The big question now How can we be certain that these "black boxes" are not latently programmed to produce scores that discriminate according to age, race, religion or gender?

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It provides a substantial portion of the local tax base and municipal services police and fire protection, trash pick-up, plus funding for public school education

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"A lot of times, people don't want it in their back yard or don't like the looks, but commercial is a great contributor to the tax base," said Susan McGrann, Redford assessor "We need it Otherwise, taxes would be higher"

Or fewer municipal services provided, on the other side of that com

IT'S SIGNIFICANT

In Redford, generally considered a bedroom community, the commercial component comprised 23 percent of the township's total \$1 4 billion state equalized valuation last year

In Southfield, heavily developed commercially, nonresidential was 58 percent of the total tax base of \$3 9 billion

Birmingham's trendy, tony business district and other nonresidential properties accounted for just under 20 percent of that city's total property tax base of \$21 billion

Michele Hodges, president of the Troy Chamber of Commerce, 1s pretty direct about the commercial-job connection

"Without commercial activity, one doesn't have the ability to have a livelihood, no place to go to work," she said

said Steve Morris, principal at GVA Strategis Real Estate in Southfield

Office vacancies in metro Detroit hovered at 14 to 15 percent - "pretty evenly spread" throughout the region - said Mason L Capitani, a Troy-based commercial Realtor

"I think the overriding factor in 2002 was an abundance of sublease space with corporate downsizing," he said "I think the trend going forward is landlords will be aggressive with deals We've seen concessions"

Some buildings 90 percent occupied lose money, some 70 percent occupied make money, Capitani said later in an interview A 20-percent vacancy level may be considered a break-even point, he said

Fortunately, fewer office and industrial buildings are under construction now compared to the last major downturn in the early 1990s to better allow for absorption, several Realtors said

"There will be a recovery, I can't tell when," said Tyson McCarthy, a vice president with Redico in Southfield

"I recently searched the Internet and since 1818 there have been 11 downturns and 10 recoveries I acknowledge that sitting at the bottom of a cycle it's hard to see the top," he said

A recent trend in the industry is to renegotiate leases before they expire, Tyson added "They require more work and more communication to make a win/win situation," he said

HE'S ENCOURAGED

James C Bieri, a Detroit retail consultant, was upbeat about prospects for retail hon in financing when they come out of bankruptcy in March," Bieri said "I'm going to take the positive approach that when we come back next year, they will still be here"

Big-box stores like Wal-Mart and specialty stores like Casual Corners, Chicos and E B Games who know their niche will enjoy the most success this year, Bieri said

'Retailers now are very adept at finding who their customers are," he said

The news may not be so good for older, smaller shopping centers, Bieri later said in an interview

'There's a lot of de-malling going on," he said, citing a lack of prospective tenants unwilling or unable to compete in the "noman's land" of that kind of retail environment

Around the country, larger box-stores and mixed-use retail/residential have replaced floundering malls, Bieri added

Bradley A Olsen, a North Carolina consultant who specializes in overseas money sources, painted a more pessimistic picture of the economic landscape than did local speakers

"I don't think there will be significant improvement (in 2003)," he said "There will be conflicting signals and at the end, we'll say we're better off In 2004, we'll see meaningful growth and some strengthening of the real estate market and in 2005. things should look much better"

Olsen's advice to commercial Realtors here - consider refinancing from adjustable to fixed rate mortgages before rates increase (like homeowners) and look to Germany for capital funding sources

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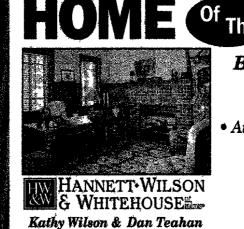
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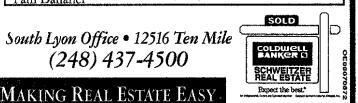
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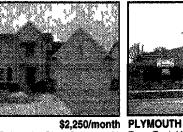
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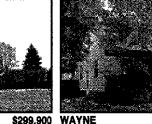
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BUY HOME CLASS Deborah Johnson of RE/MAX

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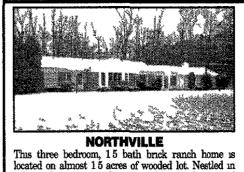
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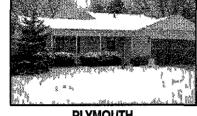


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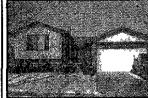
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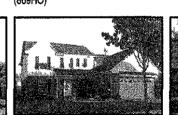
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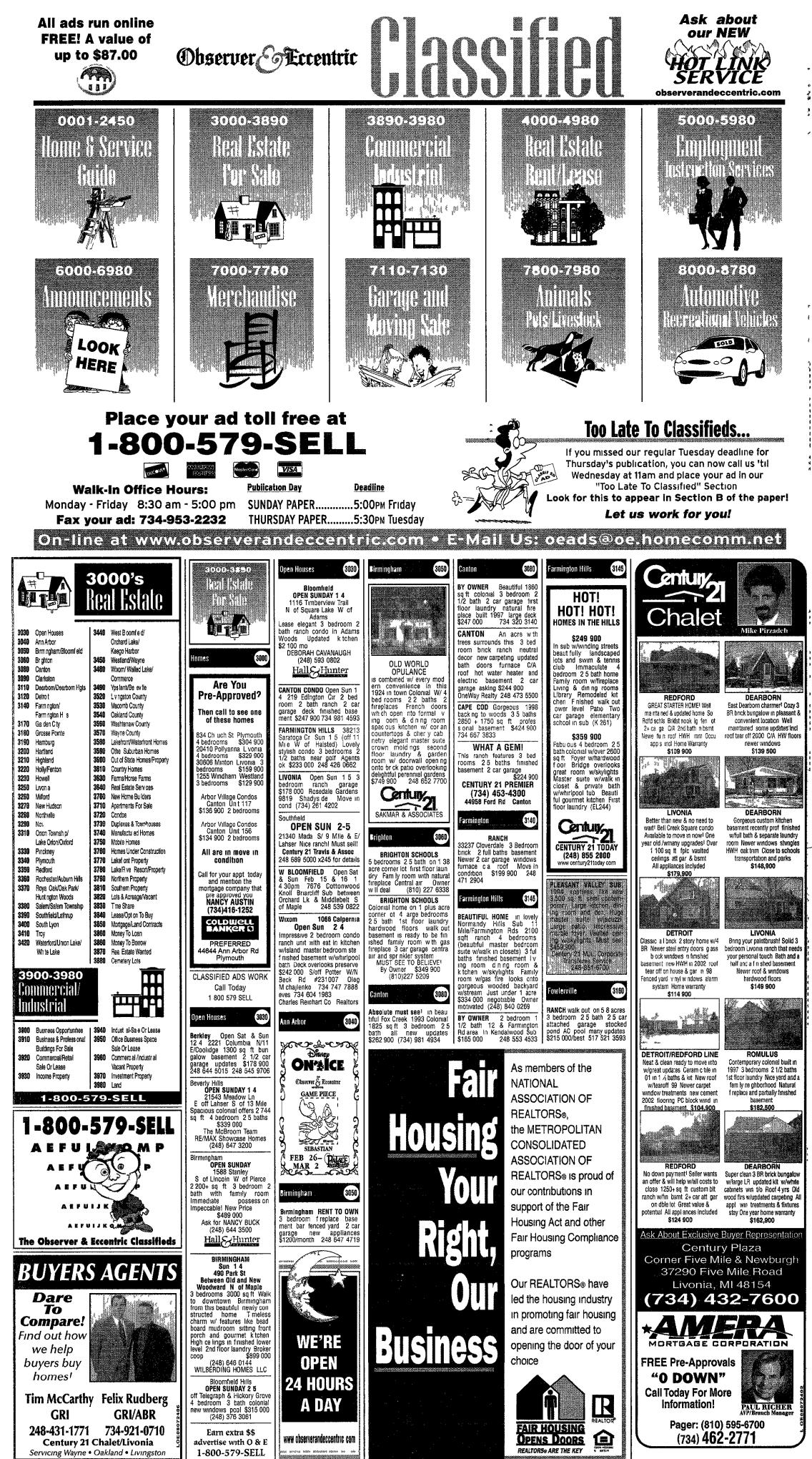
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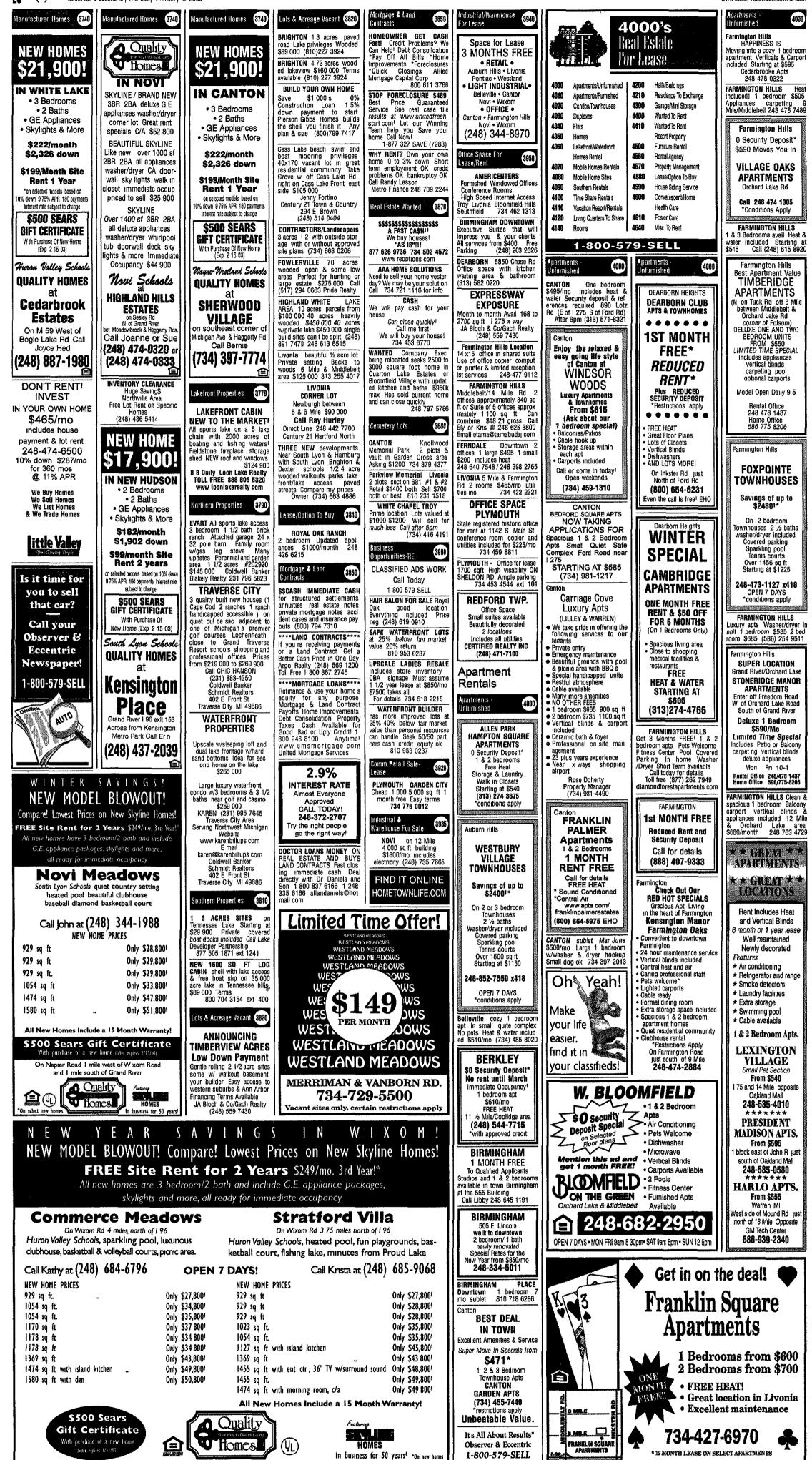
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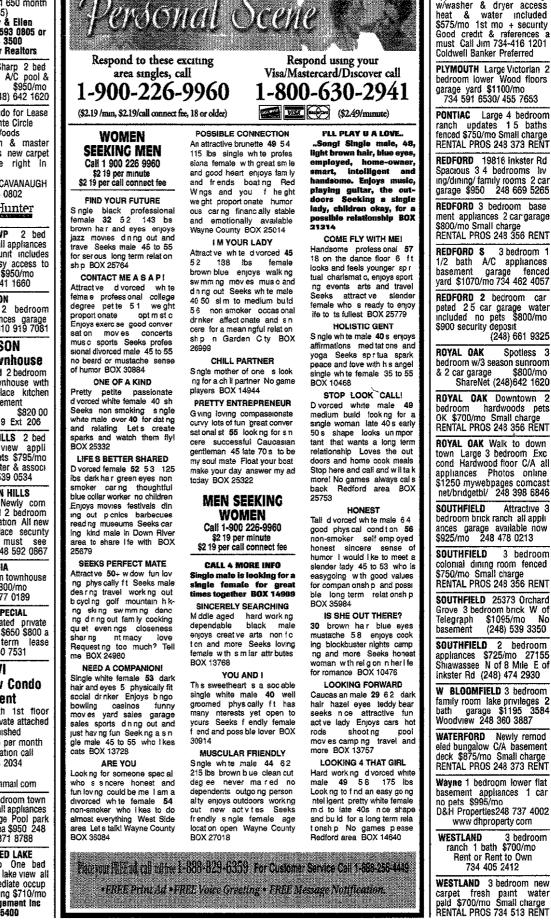


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LIVONIA - "Pristine" one of a kind 3 bed 1/2 bath Ranch that has been updated thru out Remodeled kitchen with solid oak cab inets newer vertical blinds and 5 month old 50 gallon hot water heater Newer flooring windows roof & furnace with electric air cleaner Newer wood deck Finished base ment \$174 900 (12MIN) 248-349-5600



views Lovely 2 bedroom 2 bath unit with large living room with balcony overlooking garden area Basement with private stor age area Master with bath & large dress ing area Close to shops & freeway \$137 900 (44MID) 248 349-5600



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AUBURN HILLS - Updated Ranch Park like setting completely updated home with hardwood floors ceramic bath kitchen with newer cabinets flooring & all appli ances + newer furnace hot water heater tear-off roof wood casement windows siding + 3+ car garage with heat electric & opener \$162 000 (63ALL) 734 455 5600



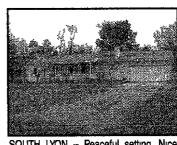
REDFORD - Great starter Affordable 3 bedroom Bungalow with newer carpet in living room & dining room full basement and 2 car garage with opener All appli ances stay Home warranty included Great potential Must see! \$97 900 (24KEE) 734 455 5600



DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Bnck Ranch 3 bedroom home offers central air newer windows hardwood floors partly finished basement with full bath & glass block win dows Appliances included 1½ car garage \$148 950 (55RIV) 734 455 5600



NORTHVILLE - Custom built Quality Cape Cod with 3 bedrooms 2/2 baths on a wooded setting with upgrades thru out Gourmet kitchen first floor laundry master & air conditioning Hearth room great room with 2 way fireplace Daylight base ment wet bar & custom woodwork thru out \$360 000 (18WAT) 248 349 5600



SOUTH LYON - Peaceful setting Nice home on just over 1/2 acre features newer vinyl windows & siding updated bath deck newer hot water heater 2 car attached garage basement & South Lyon schools \$179 900 (37RUS) 248 349 5600



CANTON - Immaculate 4 bedroom 1/2 bath Colonial is situated on a private cor ner lot with mature trees for privacy Many updated amenities including kitchen cabi nets counter tops flooring carpeting & many more Partially finished basement Home shows beautifully \$209 900



NORTHVILLE - Two bedroom 2 bath

upper Ranch Condo Soaring cathedral

ceiling in living dining & kitchen Kitchen

has almond cabinets floor & counter

Master bath & walk in closet Generous

closets thru out Enclosed balcony for 3-

Five bedroom 2 bath 2 lav kitchen with cherry cabinets & breakfast room with fire place Finished basement with glass block bar & /2 bath Three car attached garage leads to a great 2 bedroom 1 bath living room with fireplace & knotting pine added home \$299 900 (01NOR) 248 349-5600



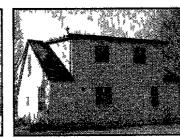
SOUTHFIELD - Brick Ranch on approxi mately 1 acre with 2 bedrooms 1% bath FR DR & large eat in kitchen Knotty pine interior Part fin basement with built in bar Master with walk in closet & built ins Newer roof furnace hot water heater central air & attached 2 car garage \$184 900 (14FOR) 248 349-5600



NORTHVILLE - A cut above Resort-style living with perfect waterfront views Two



DETROIT - Great home for investment Two bedroom 2 story brick home updated bath electrical carpet kitchen floor & counter tops + freshly painted Also base ment garage and 3 season room off the back \$79 900 (87EIG) 734-455 5600



BELLEVILLE - Country living Large 3 bedroom 2 bath Colonial sitting on 1 acre with large family room & master bedroom upstairs Newer furnace bath windows soof entry doors carpet in living room garage & driveway \$214 900 (50LEN) 734-455 5600



DEARBORN - Bright & beautiful¹ Two bedroom 2 bath Condo End Unit Mirrored baths kitchen with cherry cabinets third level with master suite second level with living dining bedroom bath & laundry Lower level with storage & entry to garage Three sided fireplace \$153 900 (26GEO) 734-455 5600



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CANTON - Beautiful and neutral 2 bed bath Condo with additional 2/2 room



LIVONIA - Classy Colonial Condo Dont miss this sharp well maintained 2 bed room 2 /2 bath end unit with 2 car attached garage Full basement walk in closets & oak cabinets in kitchen Very private deck Home warranty offered \$193 900 (27MER) 734-455 5600



REDFORD - Sharp brick Ranch! Great 3 bedroom 1/2 bath family room with fire place deck finished basement central air

newer cement windows carpeting hard

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS - Don't miss out on this! Great home Original owner



LIVONIA - In the heart of Livonia This large Ranch is sitting on an oversized lot



WEST BLOOMFIELD - Spacious Frankel

Colonial Four bedrooms 21/2 baths with large open foyer huge kitchen opening to family room Hardwood floors on upper level Balcony off master Very private with beautiful landscaping surrounding large in ground pool patio & deck Gas fireplace





WAYNE - Updated 2 bedroom Ranch on a double lot Kitchen oak tone cabinets stain less steel sink & newer counter tops

Updated bath newer roof vertical blinds

living/great room closet space & carpet

thru-out 2½ car garage fenced yard wood

deck & patio Vinyl siding & replacement

windows \$109 900 (08WIN) 248-349 5600

NOVI - Original owner beauty Folks this

house shines! Extremely sharp 4 bed

room 21/2 bath Colonial with newer win

dows roof & much much more Basement

and 2 /2 car attached garage Take one look

and you will love it Northville schools too

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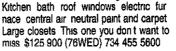
19x11 loft area Kitchen offers updated cabinets Newer carpet thru out recessed lighting custom wood blinds and gas fire place in living room \$199 900 (89HOR) 734 455 5600



PLYMOUTH - Downtown Plymouth charm! Beautiful home with enclosed porch refin ished hardwood floors spacious living room & dining room Gorgeous remodeled bath with marble floors & claw foot tub part finished basement newer driveway central air fenced yard and 2 car garage Must see! \$214 900 (09HAR) 734 455 5600



REDFORD - Great starter under 95K Updates updates & more Newer/updated roof shingles furnace windows hot water heater driveway walk paint carpet & more Just turn the key & move in \$94 900 (51NOR) 734 455 5600





CANTON - Great family home Beautiful Sunflower Colonial offers 3 bedrooms 2% haths finished basement 2 car attached garage fireplace in family room with door wall to deck Plus 1 year home warranty \$267 500 (64WOO) 734-455 5600

with 3 bedrooms 11/2 baths partially fin ished basement 2 fireplaces & more Living room family room & great room There's plenty of room for the family \$199 900 (30FLA) 248 349 5600



REDFORD - Wonderful family home Four bedrooms 2 full updated baths first floor laundry fireplace in living room Partially finished basement Heated garage large kitchen & breakfast room Tree lined neighborhood Newer windows appli ances & warranty included \$139 900 (35BRA) 248-349 5600

WHITE LAKE - All sports Cedar Island lake view near beach & boat launch Super home that is completely updated You must see the kitchen hot tub garden tub and shower stall in bath and three bedrooms Terrific home \$148 900 (01LAK) 248 349 5600



LIVONIA - Impeccable Livonia Condo This beautiful 1 bedroom Condo features newer carpet stove refrigerator washer dryer freshly painted thru out and a stun ning neutral decor Enjoy the bright sunny southern exposure open floor plan & sce nic view \$94 900 (32ANN) 248-349 5600



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NOVI - Broadmoor Park Colonial Four bedroom 31/2 bath living room family room library dining room and 3 car garage Finished lower level with sauna Jack and Jill bedrooms Two fireplaces \$539 000 (40NOR) 248 349-5600



WESTLAND - Beautiful Westland Ranch Everything has been done in this super clean home Updated kitchen & baths all with ceramic tiling Newer windows and vinyl siding finished basement with addi tional bedroom and full bath Home war ranty Livonia schools \$168 000 (40GLA) 248 349 5600



YPSILANTI - Stunning 2000-built home Four bedroom Colonial on premium lot backing to nature trail Master bedroom with vaulted ceiling and full master bath First floor laundry Kitchen with center island fireplace deck & neutral decor Basement plumbed for bath & more \$214,900 (74OAK) 248-349 5600



CANTON - Fantastic updated Ranch Open floor plan formal living room over sized family room with fireplace sky lights & doorwall overlooking scenic lot Three bedrooms 2 baths first floor laundry Updates Pergo floors carpet doors win dows baths furnace garage door & sprin klers \$219 900 (32HAN) 734-455-5600

room 2 bath home with 2 car attached

exterior brick paver patio central air

appliances 6 panel doors & beautiful

kitchen Great home for entertaining

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LIVONIA - Clean Livonia Ranch Brick 3 bedroom finished basement with glass block windows family room with gas fire place newer windows and 2 /2 car garage Neutral decor One year home warranty \$152 900 (01OXB) 734-455 5600



PLYMOUTH - Custom contemporary Exquisite thru out! Three story atrium foyer spiral oak staircase great room fireplace sun room newer granite kitchen counters formal dining with hardwood floor library or music room master fireplace letted tub & finished lower level walk out to in ground pool \$685 800 (77WES) 734 455 5600



REDFORD - Don't miss this one! Four bedroom 2/2 bath huge Ranch with 2 car attached garage with attic Wet plaster with garage full basement maintenance free coved ceilings gigantic country kitchen rec room with fireplace 1/2 acre lot newer windows & central air \$187 900 (68RYL) Better than building new \$203 900 734-455 5600



NORTHVILLE - Fantastic upper level Condol Three bedroom 22 bath with tran guility overlooking stream Neutral decor Kitchen updated in 2001 with cabinets floor & appliances Living room fireplace fin ished walk out with family room lav & Berber carpet Opens to patio Two car garage \$212,000 (66WAS) 734 455-5600

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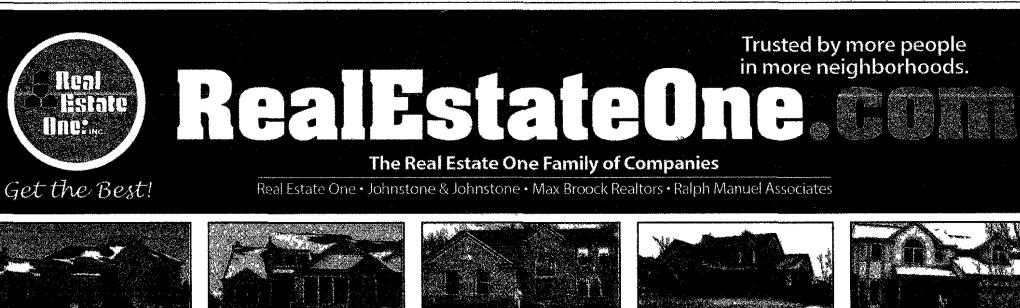


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BRUNETTE Outgoing petite and live in Plymouth Looking for an attractive non smok ing single white male 48 to 58 who is trustworthy emotionally/financially secure with no depend ents Someone with a lest for I fe Wayne County BOX 27026 GEM SEEKS TREASUR-

ER Divorced white profes

sional female 55 125 lbs brown/black hair and eyes dimples former model looks 40 s and sta ble Seeking a divorced white male 59 to 65 attractive 6 stable and a good sense of humor BOX 31913

ACTIVE SENIORS ONLY Well traveled educated loving white professiona female Seeking a sophis ticated Christian man 62 to 72 who can also be down to earth Interests are classical music art appreciation world events and travel Comfortable

one on one and in social situations Oakland County BOX 35911

ATTRACTIVE ITALIAN Petite divorced white female seeks honest and secure single white male 49 55 who likes to laugh and have fun for friend ship possible long term relationship Dearborn area Wayne County BOX 35950

SEEKING ITALIAN

Petite white female 63 51 128 lbs brown hair and eves non smoker attractive talkative good sense of humor Seeks gentleman 60 to 66 non smoker sharing the things in life we both enjoy espe travelling BOX cialiv 36003

ATTRACTIVE WOMAN Soft spoken non smoker activities sports white female 5.11 size

YOU AND I This sweetheart is a social ble single white male 40 well groomed physically fit has many interests yet open to yours Seeks friendly female friend and possible lover BOX 30914 MUSCULAR FRIENDLY Single white male 44 62" 215 lbs brown blue clean degree never mar ried no dependents out going personality enjoys outdoors working out new activities Seeks friendly single female age location open Wayne County BOX

27018 COME FLY WITH ME! Handsome professional 57 18 on the dance floor fit looks and feels 6 younger spiritual charis matic enjoys sporting events arts and travel Seeks attractive slender female who is ready to enjoy life to its fullest BOX

25779 HOLISTIC GENT BOX 10468

female BOX 21299 pt 7

Single white male 40 s enjoys affirmations medi tations and yoga Seeks spiritual spark peace and love with his angel single white female 35 to 55

GIVE AND TAKE 47 yr old white profession al male non smoker 58" 59 155 lbs fit Loves animals the ocean long walks with someone special Looking for someone special who is down to earth honest the simple things in life sincere good looking For a possible relationship inside and out height Wayne county BOX 27006 weight proportionate BOX 11282 Divorced white male 45

SUBURBAN GENT

brown hair eyes tall slim 49 yr old male keeps fit good healthy fun loving and healthy with nice easy going Searching for looks and good attitude a single white female 35 Seeks charming and to 50 who enjoys going to single white galleries camping cheerful female 40s to 50s for dining and more BOX sharing caring dating and 30979 relating BOX 13717 Divorced attractive fit JUST THE FACTS

36 yr old male looking for someone 36 to 39 to talk to and spend time with BOX 20694

LOVE ME TENDER ing relationship Troy area Sensual single white male Material status not impor

44 enjoys adult board tant BOX 30981 games massage oils **READY TO GAMBLE?** body paint etc Looking to 46 yrs old attractive share secret dreams and healthy single white male desires with creative seeks lady like single impulsive single white white female 40 s to 50 s BOX 14811

white male if I m one of vour choices vou il meet a FULL FIGURED LADY'S fine educated gent with Divorced white male 43 many talents and interests 165 lbs blondish Single white female 30 to brown hair green eves responses preferred! down to earth Seeking a BOX 15072 single or divorced white POLISH ITALIAN GUY female 38 to 45 who is down to earth and enjoys

GIVE ME A TRY

EX-MARINE

white easy going male

61 200 lbs 50 s ex

Marine engineer Seeks

attractive younger fit

shapely female for a last

50 attractive and healthy youthful and light hearted Enjoys doing fun things and going to interesting places Seeks lady to spend time with and get to know BOX 20745

GETTING IT RIGHT! Handsome teacher 50 6 210 lbs divorced likes hunting fishing movies playing the guitar cooking gardening dining out and being with that special per son Seeks single female same interests for a long relationship term HEAD GAMES! Children welcomed BOX 21155 PLEASANTLY PLUMP? Go ahead and call open minded single white male 39 easy to talk too romantic and adventurous Seeks single white female 24 42 for meaningful rela tionship Wayne county BOX 25010

DO YOU QUALIFY? for sharing of magic moments under the moon White male 48 muscular attractive financial and self secure Seeking selec classy attractive tive white or Asian female under 45 for long term Divorced white male 49 58 175 lbs Looking for a relationship Wayne coun ty BOX 25970

LET STAY 2GETHER For ever Single white male 45 honest faithful trustworthy caring loving up front smoker social drinker 6 165 lbs looking for a white female 35 50 on the slim side 100 140 lbs who has the same qualities as I do Looking for a very serious relation ship no head games Oakland County BOX 26014

WHY BE ALONE!

SEEKS LADY 2 BE

My wife! White male dark hair nice looking

non smoker non drinke

enjoys sports dancing and

more Looking for a single

woman 26 and up for a

long term loving relation

I'M LOOKING FOR YOU!

Single African American male 34 slim wears

glasses likes going to

oarks basketball football

playing video games

Looking for a single

adventurous female with

believes in God 26 to 35

sim casual dresser for a

meaningful relationship

JUST BE YOURSELF

might like you anyway

Realistic respectful single

white male 45 believes in

destiny and chemistry

ready to embrace female

sweetheart Age unimpor tant BOX 30879

PICK UP THE PHONE

50 yr old 54 135 lb sin

gle white male with mus

tache from Wayne County

area Likes golf bowling

dining in and out music

dancing art crafts week

end travel and much more

Seeks female with similar

IF U WANT 2 CALL

Please do! 20 yr old

male body builder 200

lbs 6 dark hair blonde

highlights Looking for a

single female for a possi

BOX

relationship

ble

interests BOX 30991

interests

similar

BOX 27341

ship BOX 27318

er BOX 26857

yr old divorced male 7 175 lbs fit retired sil 57 ver hair and mustache financially secure Loves golf movies biking travel and energetic Seeks an the beach dining out attractive friendly lady to Seeks female not too share it with Oakland thin to much baggage medium build non smok

EACH WEEK

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SUN & BEACHES

Caring affectionate lov

ing hard working divorced

white male 54 57 silver fox hair 176 lbs Loves

ocean beaches spending

quality time together Seeking friendship for

monogamous relationship

UNDER THE STARS

Intense special single

white male helpful and

romantic Seeks nice gai

30 to 50 an outdoor lover

light by candlelight etc

RING MY BELL

woman that wants a long

term relationship Shape

and looks important 11

return your call Wayne

JUST READ

I m white widowed attrac

tive light hearted well

built enjoy all the good

things in life Looking for

an attractive well built

lady under 59 for possible

permanent relationship

Dearborn Wayne County

YOUR SUMMER SUR-

PRISE

Just might be a most enjoyable white male

40 s good looks educated

BOX 35956

spoken

BOX 35983

35993

36011

Ingful

36015

who

County BOX 35922

35916

40 to 50 BOX 35913

and bold your ad new

s. Don't wait - place

Single white professional male 45 58" fit no Catholic dependents communicative introspective enjoys varieties of music movies reading thinking etc Seeking fit emotionally available sin gle white professional female Oakland County BOX 36037

CHANCE OF A LIFETIME Single white professional male 45 58 fit commu nicative humorist intro Enjoys bicycling spective concerts being outdoors Seeking fit emotionally available single white professional female 28 to 42 to share a happy healthy relationship Oakland County BOX 36049

MORE THAN FRIENDS Attractive single white male 40 s warm hearted and honest enjoys travel photography concerts and the outdoors Seeking a bold lady with a sense of humor Oakland county humor Oak BOX 36064

HERE S A SURPRISE

45 good shape nice looks Enjoys outdoors biking boating parks and beaches Seeks nice gal to Oakland County BOX share lelsure time activi ties with Oakland county BOX 36067

ADVENTUROUS

Passionate funny intelli gent tall handsome well built 63 205 lb single white male 36 looking for passionate Intelligent attractive fun female foi romance and possible long term relationship Oakland County BOX 36072

SAINT OR SINNER?

Tender tan terrific white male 44 with versatile flexible personality Seeking creative sweet smiling significant other For friendship and whatev er Macombe County BOX 36085

DREAMS/DISILLUSIONS Reality based single white male

kinda cute ener aetic cooperative willing



bowling casinos funny movies yard sales garage sales sports dining out and just having fun Seeking a single mate 45 to 55 who likes cats BOX

13728 ARE YOU

female with light brown eyes Likes having fun Looking for someone spe cial who is sincere hon and outdoors Searching est and fun loving could for a caring male 26 to 35 be me I am a divorced who likes having fun BOX white female 54 non 11904 smoker who likes to do almost everything West Side area Let's talk! Looking for a kind sin Wayne County BOX 36084 cere single or divorced

POSSIBLE CONNEC-TION

An attractive brunette 49 115 lbs single white professional female with great smile and good heart enjoys family and boating Red friends Wings and you if height weight proportionate humorous caring finan cially stable and emotion available Wayne allv County BOX 25014

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Seeking a husky honest 11 wishes to meet a white white guy 36 46 serious male 62 or taller 49 or relationship long term older no games no heavy Macombe County BOX drinkers WAITING AND HOPING

no drugs height/weight proportion ate Wayne County BOX 36053 I HAVE ELAN

Eclectic attractive sien playing pool video games der romantic quality lady enjoys most music danc ing golf tennis boating sports and theater Seeks special



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CALL 4 MORE INFO Single mate is looking for a single female for great times together. BOX 14909 emotionally fit male who

SINCERELY SEARCH-ING Middle aged hard work

ing dependable black male enjoys creative arts non fiction and more Seeks loving female with similar attributes BOX 13768 **PLL PLAY U A LOVE..**

...Songt Single male 48, light brown hair, blue eyes, employed home-owner, smart, intelligent and handsome. Enjoys music, playing guitar, the outdoors. Seeking a single iady, children okay, for a possible relationship. BOX 21314



STOP LOOK CALL! Divorced white male 49 non smoking medium build looking for a gentleman over 59 and 510 plus that is honest single woman late 40 s early 50 s shape looks loval and fun Oakland unimportant that wants a long term relationship Loves the outdoors and home cook meals Stop

here and call and will talk more! No games always calls back Redford area BOX 25753 HONEST Tall divorced white male

64" good physical condi tion 56 non smoker self employed honest sin cere sense of humor would like to meet a slen der lady 45 to 53 who is easygoing with good val ues for companionship and possible long term relationship BOX 35984

IS SHE OUT THERE? 30 brown hair blue eyes mustache 58 eniovs cooking nights camping and more Seeks honest woman with religion in her life for romance BOX 10476 LOOKING FORWARD

Caucasian male 29 62 dark hair hazel eves teddy bear seeks nice attractive fun active lady Enjoys cars hot rods shooting movies camping and more BOX 13757

tionship Redford area olease

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in Livonia Single white

QUALITY GUY

FALL RIGHT INTO

similar interests for friend ship first possibly leading

to a long term relationship

IS THIS YOUR NAME?

Divorced white male early

50s dark hair blue eves

Charlotte Chris Debble

looking for Carol

BOX 25306

DO U FIT THE BILL? Professional white male 52 511" brown hair blue eyes handsome good lis tener sense of humor col lege educated with multi ple degrees non smoke no dependents Enjoys physical fitness reading movies theater concerts golf Seeks pro fessional lady affection ate non smoker same interests BOX 15090 FATHER OF ONE

father of one 39 61 190 lbs handsome fit fun honest secure Enjoys reading running biking skiing family activities and much more Looking for a positive fit and loving female for great relation ship BOX 14942

cessful blockbuster flowers plays dancing concerts boating travel getaway weekends Seeks family oriented people per son with good sense of

humor BOX 14102 My arms! 39 yr old sin gle male 58" 210 lbs brown hair blue eyes physically fit Enjoys hunt loog trave ing fishing movies and going for walks Seeks a smart caring loving understanding lady with

LOOKING 4 THAT GIRL Hard working divorced white male 49 58 175 Ibs Looking to find an easy going intelligent pretty white female mid to late 40s nice shape and build for a long term rela tronship No games

BOX 14640

ALL AMERICAN TYPE Mature athletic type 50 plus blonde 63 205 lbs professional diverse interest active lifestyle Seeks outgoing fit attractive unencum bered single female. To create sparks through dat dining ing travel long term rela tionship Oakland county BOX 35995

ARE YOU OUT THERE? Single black male west side of Detroit own my home Seeks down to earth lady attractive 30 to 45 for friendship relation ship I enjoy music sports romance sharing and communicating BOX 10924

attractive

HERSHEY KISS!

32 yr old single male 180 lbs dark and lovely sweet Divorced white male 55 and gentle Seeks a single female for friendship pos 510 medium build sucsibly leading to more BOX businessman Enjoys candlelight dinners 14991

> SPIRITUAL CONNEC-TION Single white male 40 is

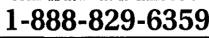
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County! BOX 35971 SENSIBLE MAN Single white male 55 soft

enjoys dancing theater movies etc Seeks friend

single white female 40 s to

50 s Oakland County

ABOVE AVERAGE GENT

Single white male mid

40 s gets into travel

music cars photography

sports home decorating

etc looking for an above

average lady to partner with Oakland county BOX

TIRED OF BEING

ALONE

working divorced white male 49 58" 175 lbs

seeking easy going and

intelligent pretty white female in her 40 s for a

possible long term rela

tionship I m waiting to

hear from you Redford

Area Wayne County BOX

SHOWS SOME CLASS

yet provocative single

white male promotes

understanding and mean

Looking for a pleasant

good natured single white

female 35 to 50 to inter

act with on a daily bases

Oakland County BOX

ATTRACTIVE SWM 33

Professional down to

earth and fun loving guy

who seeks an attractive

female who enjoys life and

likes to have fun! Oakland

County BOX 36054

communication

Hard

Im your man

relationship minded

down to earth

try something new Seeks an interesting lady 33 to 49 for a possible relationship BOX 36101

LOOKING FOR LOVE? How far are you willing to go? Single white male 44 less than a hour away and is looking for a sincere relationship with genuine warmth and affection If I am your Mr Right your search is over! BOX 36104 PLAYFUL AND PRETTY? Then rock my worldi Handsome smiley face with no attitude seeks friends and soul mate Single white female 33 to 49 comfortable with real life yet able to enjoy play ful escapism Of County/ BOX 36111 Òà



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