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## Layoffs part of budget balancing

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton school board laid off 23 of the district's least-senior teachers Tuesday night to ease a projected \$5.6 million budget deficit.

However, there are indications that most, if not all, could be rehired before the end of the school year.

As required by state law, teachers must be notified at least 60 days before the end of the school year if they will not be offered a position the following

school year. As the school board searches for ways to balance the budget for the 2003-04 school year, the layoff notices were issued as a preliminary cut to save the district more than \$600,000.

However, Ray Bihun, executive director of human resources, said thus far there have been 20 teachers who have announced early retirement plans, making them eligible for a \$10,000 incentive payout. The district is hoping to

PLEASE SEE LAYOFFS, A8

## Pay cuts among suggestions

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Some Plymouth-Canton school board members want the administration to dig deeper, including possible pay cuts, to erase the \$5.6 million budget deficit projected for the 2003-04 school year.

Superintendent Jim Ryan has already given the board more than \$3.6 million

in budget cuts, to go along with a suggestion to use \$2 million in fund equity, to balance the 2003-04 budget. The cutbacks include a combination of staff reductions, budget cuts, cost savings and fee increases.

However, to board member Carol

PLEASE SEE SUGGESTIONS, A8

If you could give your Mom a bouquet of flowers for Mother's Day, what would you write to her on the note? The Plymouth Observer is giving away a gift of flowers courtesy of Wesley Berry Florist to a lucky reader who submits the best note to Mom as selected by Brad Kadrich. Remember this note goes on a tiny florist card, so try to keep it around 25 words or less. Entries must be posted by midnight Monday, May 5. The winner will be announced on Mother's Day, May 11. Please submit your note to Mom to Plymouth Observer, Brad Kadrich, 794 S. Main, Plymouth, MI 48170.



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Students from Our Lady of Good Counsel cavort as they participate in a fund-raising walk for multiple sclerosis research Tuesday at Central Middle School in Plymouth.

## OLGC walk benefits MS cause

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

David Cords joined some 600 of his schoolmates from Our Lady of Good Counsel School in a mini-walk Tuesday to benefit multiple sclerosis research, in honor of former OLGC receptionist Kathy Hayes.

But Cords, 13, of Plymouth, a seventh-grader at OLGC, had even more personal reasons for being out there with his friends. His mom was diagnosed with the disease three years ago.

So there was David, along with friends Adam Sampson, Jake Delosh, Brad Smith and Sandro Sgambati, taking part in the all-school OLGC

PLEASE SEE OLGC, A5

### Bottle drive

The Plymouth Community Youth Advisory Commission has scheduled another bottle drive this time May 3-4 in Plymouth Township. They plan to work from Territorial to Ann Arbor Road and from Sheldon to Beck over those two days. Residents in this area can place their returnables out on their porches for the members to retrieve or have a member knock on their door to get the bottles and learn more about the PCYAC.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Relay for Life event scheduled for the weekend of May 17 to raise awareness of and help fight cancer.

### Symphony tryouts

The Plymouth Symphony conducts spring open auditions for orchestral musicians from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at Evola Music in Canton.

Posted positions for per service wage include concertmaster, oboe principal



and assistant principal viola, principal trumpet, clarinet, resident pianist and string section players. Substitute musicians are needed for all instruments.

Audition selections will be taken from standard orchestra repertoire; non-standard selections will be supplied. For more information, call personnel manager Faith Kurtz (734) 968-9909 or the symphony office (734) 451-2112.

## City plans local road fixes with underpass money

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

City residents, particularly those in the Hough Park area, aren't going to have to wonder for long what the city will do with the \$500,000 commissioners decided not to spend on the Sheldon Road underpass.

City commissioners, after voting unanimously to pull out of the underpass project because the rising costs made it financially untenable, have directed the city administration to start

looking at local streets needing repairs.

The money was approved as part of a \$12 million bond issue in 1996 and must be used "for the purpose of paying the costs of improving, repairing, constructing and paving public streets and roads."

According to Mayor Bill Graham, the Hough Park area is next on the list.

"There's an awful lot of breakdown in the asphalt," Graham said. "Those are older asphalt-paved streets with no concrete base."

City Manager Paul Sincock said the streets being considered include Elm,

Evergreen, Woodland Place and McKanley, among other possibilities. The work would consist mainly of repaving, with little or no water and sewer work necessary.

That should help the city avoid the inconveniences that arose when Penniman was repaired last year.

"We can do so much work up there because the paving project, unlike Penniman, would include no water or sewer repair," Graham pointed out. "It's basically milling the street down and repaving it. You can get an awful lot of

street work done for a relatively low cost. You get quite a bang for your buck with a program like that."

Graham said he'd also like the city to tackle the area around Ross and Byron streets, but he doesn't know if the money or the time will be available.

"I don't know if we'll be able to do that," the mayor said. "I don't know whether there's water and sewer to be replaced there. If there is, it becomes a more extensive project."

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## Candidates face off in school forum

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Voters in the Plymouth-Canton school district get a chance to see the candidates in the June 9 school board election up close and personal at a forum sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Western Wayne County.

The forum, co-sponsored by the Observer Newspapers, takes place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at the Plymouth District Library.

All four candidates were invited to attend the forum. Incumbent Mark Slavens seeks re-election. Joining him in the race for two four-year seats are former board member Roland Thomas, Richard Ham-Kucharski, who has run twice in the past, and

newcomer Roy McCutcheon.

The seat occupied by incumbent Marcy Staley is also up for grabs. Staley decided not to seek re-election, citing family reasons.

Candidates will each be given a one-minute opening statement. League representatives will collect written questions from audience participants before and during the forum. Candidates will each get a one-minute response to each question.

Candidates then will close the forum with a two-minute summation.

The Plymouth District Library is located at 223 Main in downtown Plymouth. For more information on the forum, call (734) 459-2700.

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### For the cause

John Campbell of the Plymouth Lions Club works the west-bound lanes of Ann Arbor Road Saturday during the club's annual White Cane Sale.

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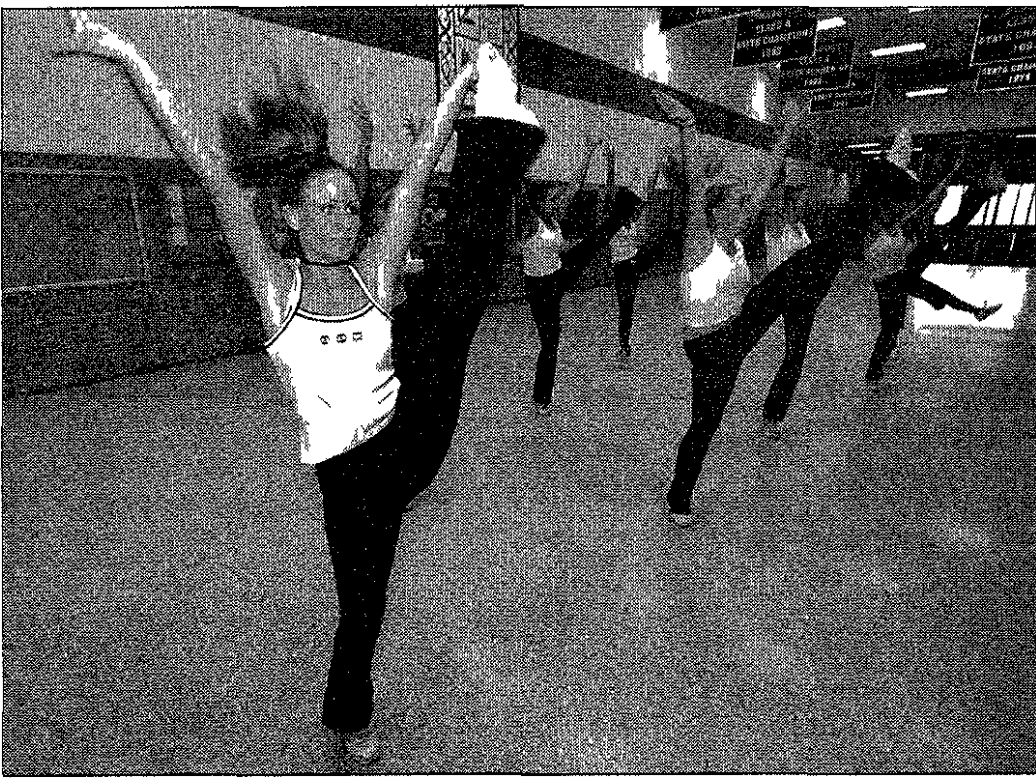
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### Rockin' Rockettes

Courtney Friske of Canton 17 works out with her junior classmate members of the Rockettes Monday in preparation for the pompon squad's annual variety show Friday and Saturday. This year's Rockette Varsity Variety Show, titled "We Gonna Party," will feature the varsity and JV squads, bands, singers, parents of the Rockettes and the young stars who participated in the fall pompon clinics. Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$6 at the door. Call (734) 765-3765 for more information.

### AROUND TOWN

#### DOG JOG

Downtown Plymouth goes to the dogs once again around noon on Saturday, May 10, when the annual Plymouth Dog Job takes place.

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth and the Kiwanis Club of Plymouth-Canton Breakfast Club present the annual jog, which starts at 1 p.m. All proceeds go directly to benefit the Michigan Humane Society and the Kiwanis clubs. The route begins and ends in Kellogg Park.

Prizes will be awarded in three age groups for males, three age groups for females, the best costume, longest tail and best look-alike.

Registration starts at noon, the fee is \$27 the day of the race.

For more information, call (734) 459-7000, or (734) 981-5116.

#### CULTURAL GRANTS

State Rep. John Stewart today announced almost \$1,000 in grants for cultural and educational projects in Plymouth and Northville.

Stewart announced Farrand Elementary School in Plymouth will receive \$332, the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority will receive \$380 and the Parent Teacher Organization of Our Lady of Victory School in Northville will receive \$250.

"Securing funding for the arts and humanities is a priority of mine," said Stewart, R-Plymouth. "These grants will help students learn geography and explore diversity in the case of Farrand Elementary and focus on the importance of respect for others, self-esteem, integrity and character building for Our Lady of Victory. The general public will also benefit from this grant program with a folk presentation emphasizing regional history during the Plymouth downtown concert in the park."

The grants are part of Michigan's Arts and Humanities Touring Program sponsored by the Michigan Humanities Council. The

council awarded nearly \$77,000 in grants statewide in support of 371 live artistic and cultural presentations throughout the spring and summer.

#### GOLF OUTING

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce is set to hold its annual golf outing in July at Northville Hills Golf Course, and chamber officials are still looking for some sponsors.

Sponsorships ranging from \$200 to \$750 for things such as tickets, longest drive prize, tee box sponsors, tee signs, golf carts, driving range/pro shop, candid photos and the skins game are still available.

Anyone interested in helping sponsor the annual outing can call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

#### WINE TASTING

Plymouth Marketplace hosts a wine-tasting extravaganza from 7-9 p.m. Saturday, May 3 at the VFW Hall, Post 6695 on Mill.

Advance tickets are \$25 per person, tickets will be \$30 at the door. The event features more than 80 different wines and beer, along with hors d'oeuvres and deli items prepared by Plymouth Marketplace Deli.

Proceeds will benefit CYO programs. Call (734) 453-2535 for reservations and tickets.

#### SENIOR PARTY

The Senior party committee is accepting donations, either monetary or door prize gifts, for the seniors from any source. Anyone wishing to donate can call Sue Pomiatowski, (734) 453-2570, or Lisa Hajduk, (734) 397-3432.

Parent volunteers are needed for decorating and chaperoning. Decorating volunteers should call Dottie Kelly, (734) 397-1423, chaperone volunteers can call Mary Ann McKinnon, (734) 459-0133, or Barb Martin, (734) 453-7161.

Tickets for the party can be purchased for \$35 at school on Thursdays in May during the

lunch hour at Plymouth or Canton cafeterias. In addition, ticket sales will take place during lunch hours May 28-30 and June 2-4.

Tickets can also be purchased through the mail by sending a check, along with self-addressed, stamped envelope to Bob Boyko (734-451-1893), 49308 Harvest, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Any students who purchase tickets during registration at the beginning of the school year and have NOT received their tickets please submit a self-addressed stamped envelope to Bob Boyko.

#### MARQUIS PERFORMANCE

Patrons will be able to relive vaudeville and Broadway while enjoying memories and melodies at the newly renovated Marquis Theatre in Northville, when the theatre presents "Broadway and Vaudeville Tonight."

Performances take place at 7 p.m. May 2-3 and May 10, at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, May 11. Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$10 for seniors and students. For ticket information, call the theater, (248) 349-8110.

#### NURSING REFRESHER

Madonna University's College of Nursing and Health in conjunction with the College of Continuing and Professional Studies, will offer a nursing refresher course this spring.

Designed for registered nurses who want to return to active practice in a health care setting, the four-week course will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 14, 21 and 28; Thursday, May 8, 15, 22 and 29; and Friday, May 9, 16, 23 and 30 in room 118 in the DiPonio Building on campus, 36200 Schoolcraft, Livonia.

Nursing contact hours are available. Registered nurses are asked to bring their license to the first class.

For registration information, call the College of Continuing and Professional Studies at (734) 432-5731 or fax (734) 432-5364.

### FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period from April 23-29.

■ **Tuesday, April 29** — Residential rescue runs on Elizabeth, Jener, and Starkweather, vehicle accident rescue run on Lilley and Joy with special wash down, and on Ann Arbor Road, rescue run to a public building on Ann Arbor Road and S. Main, and grass/brush fire on southbound I-275 at Ann Arbor Trail.

■ **Monday, April 28** — Residential rescue runs on N. Harvey, Ann Arbor Trail and Jefferson, commercial rescue run on Beck, vehicle accident rescue run on Ann Arbor Road and Massey with special wash down.

■ **Sunday, April 27** — Two residential rescue runs on Northville Road, two commercial rescue runs on Haggerty, vehicle accident rescue run on Sheldon, north of Ann Arbor Road with special wash down.

■ **Saturday, April 26** — Residential rescue

runs on Greenbriar, Haggerty and Amhurst, and rescue run at a public building on Ann Arbor Road.

■ **Friday, April 25** — Residential rescue runs on Pleasant View, Gilbert, Russell and Spring, grass/brush fire run on Oak, and multiple-family fire rescue run on Spring.

■ **Thursday, April 24** — Residential rescue runs on Haggerty, Sutherland and on Northville Road, commercial rescue run at Ann Arbor Road and N. Main, vehicle accident rescue run at Ann Arbor Road and Beck with special wash down, vehicle accident rescue run on eastbound M-14, east of Beck.

■ **Wednesday, April 23** — Residential rescue runs on Beech, Sheridan, Haggerty and Partridge, vehicle accident rescue run on Haggerty and Greenbriar, and Ridge north of Powell with special wash down, and hazardous material mutual aid received on Inkster.

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Plymouth Wellness Center chiropractor Elizabeth Sisk created a Web page for her clients and the community, <http://www.plymouthhealth.org>

## Doctor using virtual reality

### Chiropractor uses Internet to teach wellness

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM  
STAFF WRITER

When chiropractic Dr. Elizabeth Sisk decided to launch an online health magazine, she wanted to do more than expand the boundaries of her Plymouth office in a virtual setting.

"I wanted to teach the community and have a link for the community to go to get health information," said Sisk, a chiropractor with 18 years of experience.

The site's URL is [www.plymouthhealth.org](http://www.plymouthhealth.org). Visitors will find health information about various chiropractic and wellness topics. Visitors also can look at a community calendar, link to health-conscious local businesses and e-mail chiropractic and other health professionals.

The online magazine, she said, is not intended to be a substitute for an office visit, but is intended to be a tool.

"I have a huge commitment to teaching people proactive lifestyles," Sisk said. "That's why (the Web site) is a service to the community."

She and her husband, Glenn, are both chiropractors. He runs a similar practice in Belleville, which they have owned for 18 years.

Sisk opened Plymouth Chiropractic Wellness Center, 908 Penniman at Harvey in 2002. Her business took over in the same space previously occupied by another chiropractor, who retired after 37 years.

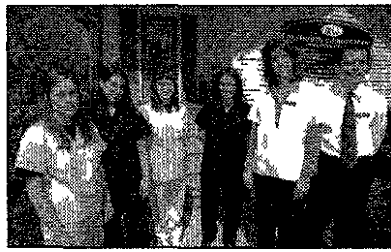
With the 'wellness center' format, patients with a variety of complaints, ranging from back pain, arthritis, colds, allergies and even Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder can find relief through chiropractic care and nutritional supplements, Sisk said.

"It's not just about pain control, but about restoring nerve function," Sisk said.

Merely giving a patient pain pills doesn't solve the problem, she pointed out. But teaching patients about proper diets, exercise regimens, nutritional supplements and lifestyle changes, Sisk said, can bring pain-free results.

By the time many of Sisk's patients set foot in her office, they're at their wits' end. "Many of my patients have nearly given up on understanding how their bodies work," she said.

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The staff of the Plymouth Chiropractic Wellness Center poses for a photo recently. (From left) Marie Perlongo, Katie Koch, Cassie Galonis, Heather Kaczor, Dr. Elizabeth Sisk and Dr. Bill Abbott.

## Pool tops wish list for items in Central school partnership

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

A walking/jogging path, upgrades of athletic fields, a new swimming pool and a pooch park were all suggestions proposed by nearly 60 people who expressed opinions as to the recreation improvements they would like to see at Central Middle School in downtown Plymouth.

Several forums were held Tuesday as part of a process to gather ideas as to the types of recreational amenities residents prefer, if funding were to become available, to upgrade the acreage which is actually owned by Plymouth-Canton Schools.

The city and school district have formed a partnership to secure a plan for the property, and then move forward to find funding sources to pay for the project, considering both entities are currently suffering from budget deficits.

"I talked with several neighbors and a pool is at the top of the list," said Paulette Longe, who represented her Forest Street neighborhood. "We believe a pool can be used by all age groups, young and old, and it's not just focusing on one group."

"Maybe the Plymouth 'Y' could join forces in developing the pool," she said. "It could be kept open a bit later at night, and a dome built for

use in the winter."

For Susan Clark, a better groomed baseball field for her son to play on would fit just right into her plans. "It's a horrible field to play on," said Clark. "I'd like to see a pool, and maybe some basketball courts added to the area."

The Canton Lions football team, comprised of 8-14-year-olds, uses Central Middle School as its home field. Board member Dan Trubowski of Canton Township said the field isn't in too bad a shape, but it's the worst in the league. "It needs some work, no doubt," said Trubowski. "We've tried to keep it in decent shape by seeding and fertilizing. The field could be upgraded, the irrigation system could be improved, and it would be nice to have a restroom facility constructed nearby."

The wish list was compiled by a planner from Langworthy Strader Leblanc & Associates, Inc., of Royal Oak and a landscaping architect from Russell Design in Northville, who will use the ideas to develop a concept plan. The initial phase cost \$5,000, which will be paid with city block grant-funds.

No cost estimate has been established to develop the improvements, though City Manager Paul Sincock has ballparked it at \$15 million. "We'll use the plan as a basis

for grant applications," said Sincock. "Clearly, the city and schools don't have money, so the project will be grant driven."

That didn't stop Old Village resident Nancy Petrucci from offering Sincock a check for \$2,000. "I had the check out, but they weren't ready for it," said Petrucci, who though despite the fact she doesn't have a dog, would like to see a pooch park somewhere on the site. "You see people all over walking their dogs. It would be a great place to let them run around."

If money does become a problem, David Heinrich, who has lived across from the recreational fields for 10 years on Adams Street, said he wouldn't mind chipping in a few dollars.

"I'd rather see them get money through grants, if possible," said Heinrich. "Then, if enough money isn't generated, I would be willing to see it go on the ballot to let the citizens decide for themselves."

"To be honest with you, I think most residents in this city would vote for it," added Heinrich.

"We don't have facilities like the ones they're projecting we could have, and it would be something all generations could use."

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He was then assigned to the Third Armed Cavalry Regiment at Fort Carson in Colorado as a Quartermaster.

Pfc Kinnelly is currently serving in the Iraq Freedom theatre. His parents, Rich and Kathy Kinnelly, brothers and sister, are very proud of him and all of the brothers serving in the armed forces whether they are overseas or not.



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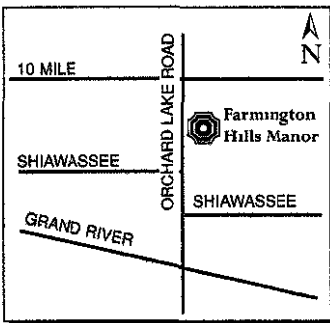
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# Police looking into relationship

## Investigation aimed at finding what linked Smith, Copperstone

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM  
STAFF WRITER

To police, this much is certain: the people believed to be responsible for the deaths of Jessica Smith, 23, April Copperstone, 17 and Thomas Copperstone, 47 are dead.

Smith was found dead of multiple gunshot wounds April 20 in a Canton motel room, Copperstone apparently committed suicide in Washtenaw County's Lima Township April 21 and his daughter, April Copperstone, 17 is believed to have died Nov. 12, 2001 of gunshot wounds at her father's Belleville residence.

### CASE STILL OPEN

In Canton, the case is far from closed, as police continue to focus on the relationship between Smith, a University of Michigan computer studies student and 1997 Canton High School graduate and Copperstone, 47, of Belleville.

Canton police Sgt. Todd Mutchler said there is little doubt who killed Smith, who died of gunshot wounds fired by two different firearms.

"We believe Thomas Copperstone was (solely) responsible for (Smith's) death. But there are many unanswered questions - and many of them will remain forever unanswered."

Mutchler said police believe Smith and Copperstone met while she was working as a topless dancer at Leggs Lounge in Van Buren Township in 2001. But Smith had not worked at the bar for at least a year and most recently worked for Mail Boxes Etc.

Copperstone quit his job with the Gale Group in December, 2002.

Another mystery is who killed Copperstone's daughter, April, whose remains were believed to have been discovered by Belleville Police last week buried in a fruit cellar at her father's residence.

Mutchler said that one theory is that Copperstone, not Smith, killed his daughter and falsely blamed Smith in his confessional letter, recovered from a storage unit by Copperstone's brother.

"We are open to any and all possibilities," Mutchler said.

Here is a roundup of what Canton police are doing:

- scanning computer hard drives that belonged to Smith and Copperstone to determine a possible e-mail relationship between the two,

- talking to friends and family to help determine the extent of Smith and Copperstone's relationship - which was apparently kept secret from Smith's family,

- awaiting ballistics test results to determine which gun was used to kill Copperstone's daughter, April, 17,

- analyzing a letter Copperstone apparently

had written to his brother, outlining details of his 17-year-old daughter April's death. In that letter, Copperstone blamed Smith for his daughter's murder, stating that she had accidentally killed her with a .22 caliber handgun.

### A WAITING GAME

In Belleville, Police Chief Paul Davis said they are awaiting autopsy results from the Wayne County Medical Examiner's office to determine the identity of the mummified remains.

Meanwhile, a missing persons report on April Copperstone was still in force Tuesday afternoon. Once the body is positively identified as Copperstone's, the case will likely be closed in Belleville, Davis said.

"Any person we think may have knowledge about how she died is dead. Basically, this is the most absurd homicide case I've ever been involved in."

Lake Canton police, Belleville police are trying to sort fact from hearsay. After conducting extensive interviews with neighbors, friends and family, Belleville police learned that Thomas Copperstone had sole custody of his daughter since she was 5 and that he had a rocky relationship with his ex-wife.

Belleville police also learned that April Copperstone, who was developmentally disabled and had multiple sclerosis, was pulled from public schooling in 1999 for being disruptive.

Van Buren Public Schools Superintendent Larry Tabor confirmed that Copperstone had been a Van Buren student until she was a middle schooler in 1999 and that she had not been expelled.

"There are so many unanswered questions in this case that it's unbelievable," Davis said.

# Suspects try for metal, wheel rims

A truck driver tried to help Plymouth Township police stop a theft from an auto dealer's storage property earlier this week.

The witness used his semi to block the path of a car parked at the storage lot when he saw two unidentified white males trying to make off with scrap metal and wheel rims shortly after midnight Saturday.

### POLICE BLOTTER

Police responded and tracked the two suspects to the Shadywood Apartments, but the trail ended there. Police then impounded the vehicle, which they later learned from Canton police had been stolen during a Canton home invasion. The suspects were trying to make off with some \$600 worth of metal and rims. The case was assigned to Plymouth Township's detectives bureau.

### LARCENY

Three different guests at Plymouth's Hilton Garden Inn reported having their cars either damaged or broken into earlier this month.

One guest reported that sometime between 11 p.m. April 22 and 7 a.m. April 23, someone stole a pair of prescription eyeglasses from his rental car.

At about the same time, another guest reported, someone broke the driver's side rear window and damaged a door on his car, also parked in the Hilton Garden Inn lot.

Later on April 23, the third victim came to the township police station to report a laptop computer, the carrying case and various office supplies had been stolen from his car, which had also been parked at the Hilton Garden Inn.

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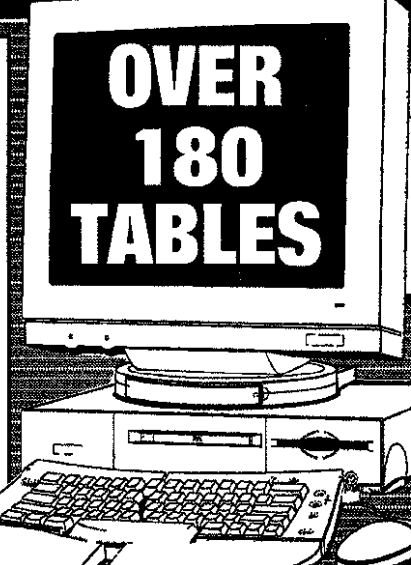
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**OLGC**

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for MS, a fund-raiser which organizers hope will top the \$12,000 that was raised last year

"Three years ago, we found out my mom had MS it was like a huge shock," Cords said

We've gotten a lot of support from people who have really helped us through the tough times We try to get as much money as we could, because this is a good cause"

The walk was originally begun in honor of Hayes, who for 17 years served as the secretary at OLGC Students walked the track at Central Middle School, one class at a time, having raised money from pledges they got from family members, friends, total strangers

Students walked varying distances, with the younger kids making one lap around the track and other students circling the track as many as five or six times

Hayes' granddaughter, 8-year-old McKenzie Hayes, raised \$700 on her own

Hayes is amazed by the outpouring of support the walk brings, particularly from the youngsters

It makes me feel hopeful, to see that children this age realize there are people less fortunate," Hayes said "They also understand that people in a wheelchair aren't necessarily

totally dependent on them, because they've seen how much I can do"

Hayes said she didn't even realize the school was doing the walk at first

"Some of my teacher friends decided they wanted to do it, Hayes said. "The first year, I didn't even know they were doing it It's special for them to be doing this"

The money collected from Tuesday's walk will be added to money raised for the main MS walk taking place in Dearborn this weekend Some of them are motivated by Hayes' struggle, along with those of others they've known

afflicted with MS

"I'm doing it not only for Kathy, but for other people I've known who have come down with this disease," seventh grade teacher Mary Thompson said I think we walk as a solidarity kind of goal"

No matter the reason, the result is an uplifting one, especially for Hayes

"It makes me feel happy and cared about, she said "It's fun for them, and it's fun for me to watch them It's a good feeling

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Former OLGC secretary Kathy Hayes diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1994 visits with students as they walked to benefit MS research Tuesday

**Hospice sets golf outing**

Angela Hospice's annual golf outing is taking place at Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon

The outing begins with a shotgun start at noon Monday, May 12

Now in its 15th year, the outing features many ways for golfers and nongolfers alike to participate

Golfers can register in foursomes or as individuals, for \$200 a person

Golfer packages include free range balls before golf, 18 holes of golf with cart (scramble format), barbecue lunch before golf, dinner reception with open bar following golf, open beverage stations on the course, prizes for Closest-to-the-Pin and Longest Drive, a golfer's gift pack, and locker room service

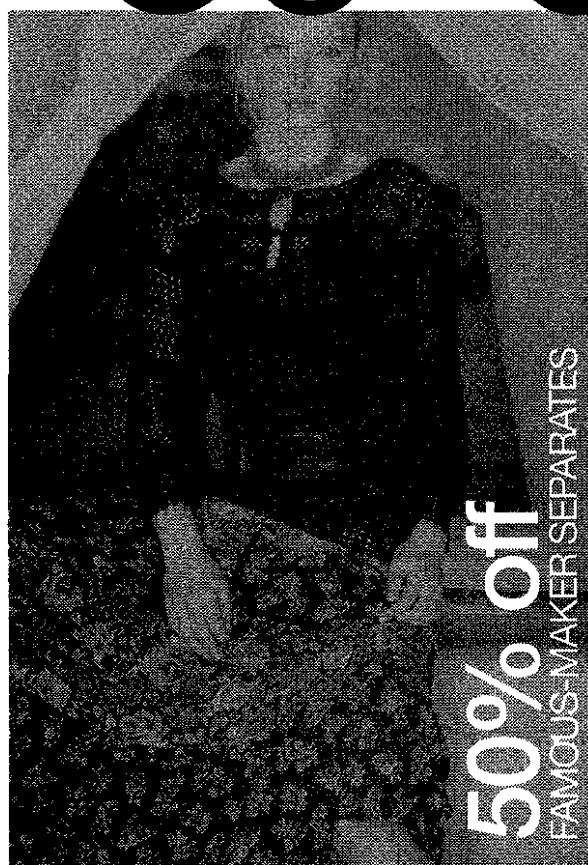
Business Partner Packages are also available for \$650, and Corporate Packages for \$1,500

For more information on the event, to register, or to purchase a hole sponsorship or raffle ticket, call Alice Barringer at Angela Hospice (734) 953-6018, or visit www.angelahospice.org

The proceeds from this event will benefit the many caring programs of Angela Hospice including home and inpatient hospice care, pediatric and prenatal hospice, and bereavement services

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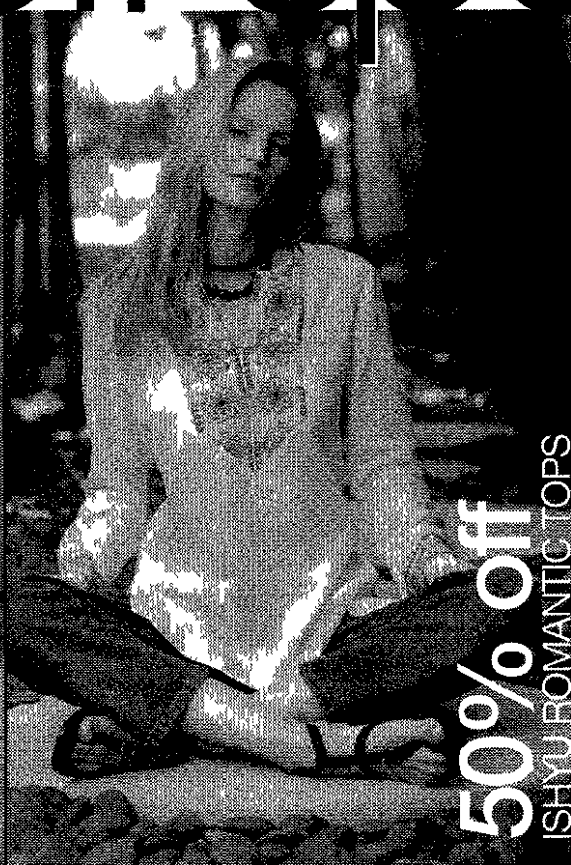
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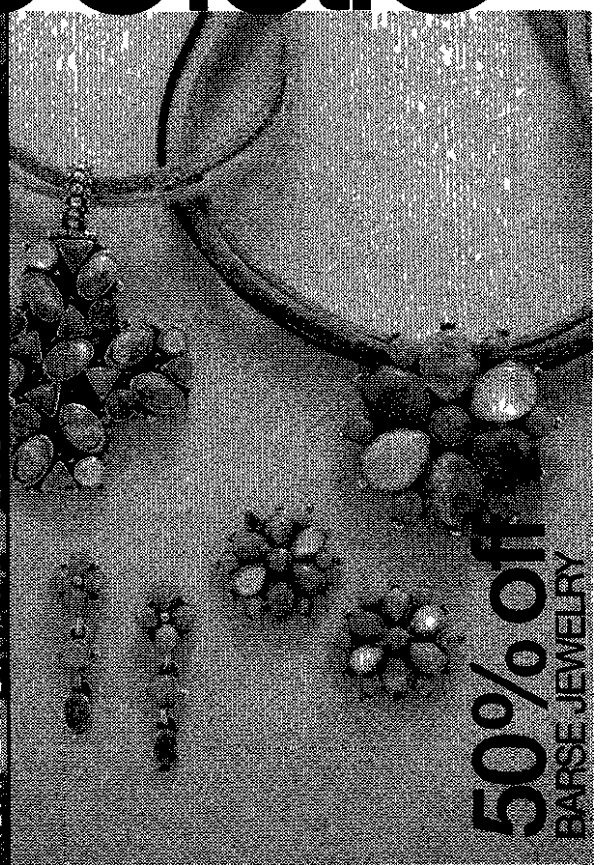
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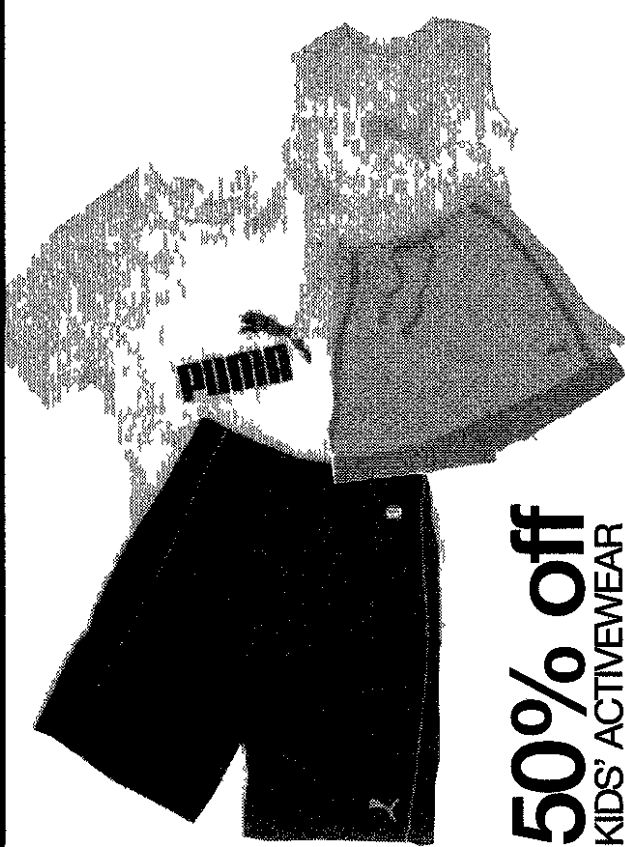
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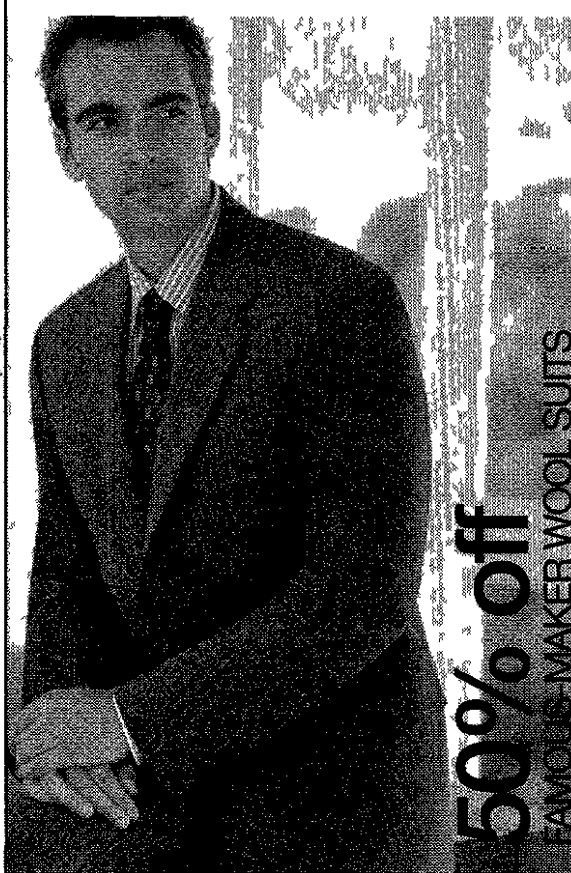
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# Scouts collect items for soldiers overseas



Scouts organize the packages filled with items they collected during a 10-day drive at Tonda Elementary and Pioneer Middle Schools, before delivering them to the Canton post office

Scouts in the local area wanted to help members of the armed forces serving overseas, and did so in a big way

Cadette Troop 1451 and Junior Troop 1203 arranged for bins to be placed in Tonda Elementary School in Canton and Pioneer Middle School in Plymouth. Donations were then accepted for some 10 days in April, to be mailed in care packages to service members serving overseas.

The girls collected baby wipes, candies, individually wrapped cookies, books, personal toiletries and other items. The girls then sorted and filled 21 boxes to be shipped. The boxes were sent to four different Marines and an Army first sergeant from the 4th Aviation Battalion out of Fort Hood, Texas.

The girls took the boxes to the Canton Post Office, filled out the customs forms and each signed for at least one box.

The donations resulted from

the effort of some 27 Girl Scouts representing Pioneer Middle School, West Middle School, Tonda Elementary School and Hulsing Middle School.

Cadettes who participated included Rhianon Hall, Katie Lebioda, Krysten Atwell, Lauren Patterson, Maggie Burr, Mehssa Miller, and Sarah Mirsky, all students at Pioneer and Ria Barker and Lisa Foster students at West Middle School in Plymouth.

Juniors who took part include Cynthia Bradford, Mariah Hall, Marissa Williams, Lindsey Kubacki, Kartlyn Stabile, Sarah Landbauer, and Samantha Maksimovic, students at Tonda Elementary, and Jessica Bondy and Ishani Shah from Hulsing Elementary in Canton. Other scouts included Christine Benjamin, Catlyn Elliott, Katie Davis, Celeste Alexander, Haley Baby, Rebecca Davenport, Katie Meagher, Anne Marie Shumbo, and Jane Stanton.

## CALENDAR

### AROUND TOWN

#### Boat Classes

Dearborn Power Squadron is offering two Boat Smart courses this spring. Each course is eight hours. On May 3 and May 10 four hours each Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Alfred Noble Library in Livonia. Call Joe at (313) 278-2734 for more information.

#### Pre-School Programs

Head Start programs are available for 3 and 4 year olds offered by Starfish Family Services a learning environment preparing children for kindergarten. Michigan School Readiness Program for 4 year olds is also available. For either call (313) 541-4340 or (734) 326-6271.

#### Fine Arts Concert

Pianist Paul Sullivan graces the stage at First Presbyterian Church of Northville for a concert in the sanctuary at 7 p.m. Sunday May 4. Contact Dr. Darlene Kuperus at (248) 349-0911 for more information.

#### Ann Arbor Youth Chorale Auditions

The spring auditions are being held May 13 in the choir room of Huron High School in Ann Arbor. Contact Erin Clafin at (734) 996-4404 for more information.

#### School Registration

Music matters at the School for the Performing Arts in Ann Arbor and registration for summer camps, classes and lessons has begun. For further information call (734) 995-4625 or log on to the school's Web site at www.spa.aao.org.

#### Caregivers Conference

A free caregivers conference is being offered for seniors and anyone meeting the needs of older senior adults. The conference will be held 6-8:45 p.m. Wednesday May 7 at the Summit on the Park. Everyone is welcome. To register call (313) 937-8291.

### Crafters

Crafters are needed for the 16th annual juried show on Saturday Oct. 18. The show will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at West Middle School. Call Jan at (734) 844-1707 or e-mail theways@comcast.net.

### Preschool Registration

Willow Creek Co-op Preschool is accepting registrations for the 2003-04 classes for 3 and 4 year olds. Call Sherry Haskell at (734) 326-5735 for more information.

### Inline Roller Hockey Leagues

Skatin Station II in Canton is accepting registration for the spring season. One game a week. Call (734) 459-6401 for more information.

### Crafters Wanted

St. Thomas a Becket Church in Canton is accepting applications for the Christmas Craft Show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Dec. 6. Interested crafters should contact Gloria at (734) 981-0279.

### Volunteer Training

First Step the Western Wayne County Project on Domestic and Sexual Violence is looking for volunteers. Call (734) 416-1111 Ext. 202 for more information.

### Plymouth Community Chorus

The annual spring concert entitled *Broadway Legends* will be presented at 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday May 3-4 at the new Northville High School. Call (734) 455-4080 for information on ticket purchase or go to www.plycommunitychorus.org.

### Preschool Registration

The Plymouth Salvation Army is opening registration for its preschool programs for fall 2003. The 3 year old program is on Tuesday and Thursday and the 4 year old program runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For more information call Peggy at (734) 459-1358 or (734) 453-5464 Ext. 25.

## Read Taste Sunday

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

#### PUBLIC HEARING

#### REPROGRAMMING OF CDBG FUNDS AND PROGRAM AMENDMENT

On Tuesday May 13 2003 at 7 p.m. in the Board meeting room 46000 Summit Parkway Canton Michigan the Board of Trustees will conduct a public hearing to consider the reprogramming of funds and the amendment of the FY 2002 CDBG final statement. The purpose is to reprogram funds from canceled and completed CDBG projects and to create a new project (Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing) requiring amendment of the CDBG program. The following activities are to be canceled and the funds reprogrammed: FY 1991 Canterbury Mews Recreation \$9,064.00; FY 1993 ADA Improvements \$2,020.00; FY 1993 Harrison Drain \$13,213.00; FY 1994 Nankin Transit \$5,000.00; FY 1995 Nankin Transit \$1,000.00; FY 1995 Family Service \$6,000.00; FY 1996 Contingency \$667.00; FY 1996 Nankin Transit \$960.00; FY 1997 Contingency \$745.00; FY 1998 Salvation Army \$13,000.00; FY 1998 Harrison Drain \$31,474.57; FY 1999 Canterbury Mews Barrier free Assessment \$3,000.00; FY 1999 HelpSource \$950.00; FY 1999 Salvation Army \$9,100.00. All funds to be reprogrammed to FY 2002 Human Services Center Construction (\$25,456), and FY 2002 Affordable Housing Lots Purchase (\$70,737.57) (new project). Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin Development Specialist Community Services Division 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 (734) 394-5194.

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

#### COMMENT PERIOD

#### REPROGRAMMING OF CDBG FUNDS AND PROGRAM AMENDMENT

Beginning on May 1, 2003, and for 30 days thereafter, the Charter Township of Canton will accept public comment on the reprogramming of funds and amendment to the FY 2002 Community Development Block Grant final statement. The purpose is to reprogram funds from canceled and completed CDBG projects and to reprogram funds to a new activity: FY 2002 Affordable Housing Contingency (for Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing or Housing Rehabilitation). The following activities are to be canceled and the funds reprogrammed: FY 2000 Radesource \$7,000; FY 2000 Adult Day Care \$3,000; FY 2000 Mediation Service \$2,000; FY 2000 Growth Works \$1,055; FY 2001 Michigan Avenue Playground \$3,300; FY 2001 Mediation Service \$2,500; FY 2001 Growth Works \$10,500. Total to be reprogrammed \$29,355. Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin Development Specialist Resource Development Division, 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 (734) 394-5194 Extension 5194.

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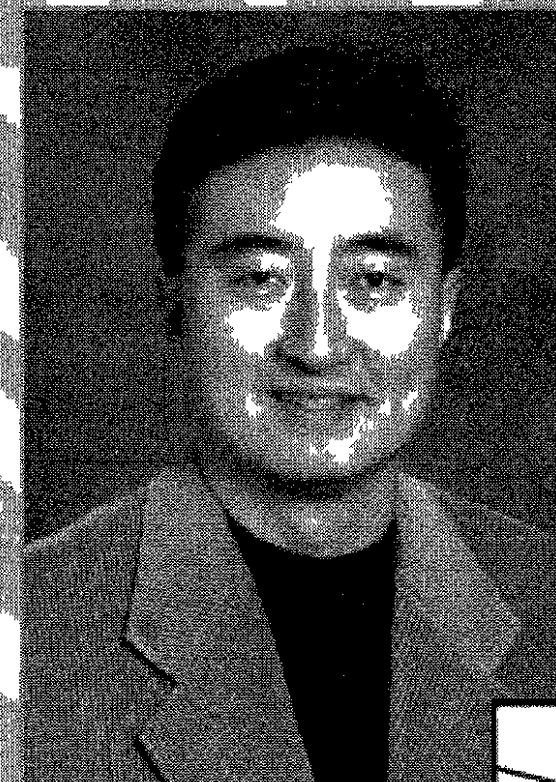
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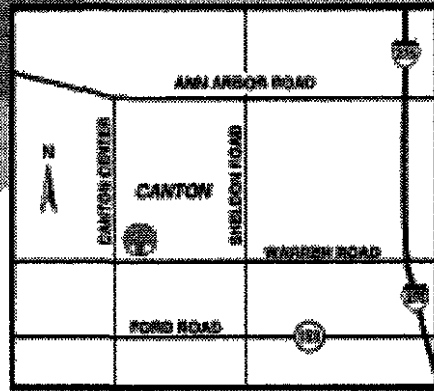
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**LAYOFFS**

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encourage at least 25 prospective retirees to announce early, thereby saving jobs

Superintendent Jim Ryan said the incentive period expires Friday, but there is a seven-day period in which a teacher can rescind retirement plans

"Starting on the (May) 9th, at the end of the day, (Bihun) will be working and we'll be recalling

teachers immediately, once we have an accurate number on who has retired," Ryan told the board "We want to get that 23 down to single digits as quickly as we can I just can't promise the board that we'll get all 23 back before the school year ends

"Besides the teachers laid off, there will be teachers who are displaced," said Ryan "We'll be working with human resources and try to identify what teachers next year will be teaching in a different area"

School board Trustee Carol

Saunders is a former teacher and administrator who has been pink-slipped during both tenures but had them rescinded

"I know the process, I know the legalities," said Saunders "We will do everything in our power to make sure that these people are back at work without missing any time, whatsoever"

Board Treasurer Judy Mardigian said she has concerns about the lack of teachers in some key areas, including high school math "We should look at as many non-instructional areas as we can to improve this situation"

School board President Elizabeth Givens said the reality of the situation is that there aren't too many areas left for the district to cut "We were in this position last year, and every one of the teachers who was laid off was recalled"

Last year, the board laid off 18 teachers All were called back and the district hired nearly a dozen additional teachers

Chuck Portelli, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, said he's not overly concerned at the announcement

"I think it's just procedural right now," said Portelli "I think they believe there's going to be a student increase, and that's going to help negate some of this, as well as the 20 people we currently have taking the severance offer, and we might have a few more I think it's going to take care of itself"

**SUGGESTIONS**

FROM PAGE A1

Saunders, digging deeper means every Plymouth-Canton Schools employee reaching into his or her own pockets to help bail out the district

"We need to take a look at how we're doing business, because the way we've been doing business isn't working," Saunders told fellow board members "We cannot go into deficit spending We have to possibly look at something with more ramifications than cutting just a few people

"I am thinking of examining possible cuts across the board for all employees, from the top on down and asking them to take percentage (pay) cuts," said Saunders "Hopefully, that will mitigate some of the pain that any one person, or any small group of people, will have to endure"

Saunders' comments were echoed by board President Elizabeth Givens

"If anyone is cut, then everyone should be cut, in terms of pay reduction," she said "It's only fair that it go from the top to the bottom"

The district's unions have varied responses to the call by Saunders and Givens The Plymouth-Canton

Custodial Maintenance Association begins bargaining a new contract in June

We're open to just about anything to keep our jobs," said Debra Brankovich-Neal, vice-president of the custodial union

We have to look at everything It's going to be rough this time

Meanwhile, Sandy Priskorn, president of the 98-member Plymouth-Canton Association for Education Office Personnel Local 6172, urged the board to think not only of dollars saved, but services lost, as trustees consider cutting four secretaries

In a letter to the board dated March 31, Priskorn stated the secretarial staff is over-utilized at every level, each person's workload has been maximized to its limit, and our duties are 'core functions, not elective' ones

Saunders said the district may also look to reorganization in an effort to save money

I'm also asking administration to look at our organization, with the idea that possibly we need to organize our entire hierarchy of administration," she said, "and the way we have things set up at our park and other buildings, and see if there is another way we can ensure that we are going to be able to offer the excellent educational opportunities for our children

Trustee Joanne Lamar agreed the district needs to move in a different direction to achieve future goals, considering the looming budget deficit

We are cutting all the time, I hope we can work on enhancements, Lamar said "Anything we can generate

from budget enhancements and projects that generate income"

That discussion has been set for Saturday, May 17, when board members will discuss their alternatives, and possibly make some decisions Next year's budget is required to be adopted by June 30

I think we need to dig deeper in non-instructional areas at technology and purchase services," said Trustee Judy Mardigian "It's not going to be easy, and it's not going to be painless, but it's very painful for a student in a classroom to lose a teacher and have a larger class size

Mardigian also wants to look at the 14.6 percent increase in transportation costs and a possible cutback in the district's 2,000 telephones

"We're buying 50 new buses I expect to see that budget save money significantly," she said "Maybe we need to turn off some of the phones"

Board member Tom Wysocki said it may be time to look at paying to participate in co-curricular activities

"I don't think we want to cut them out, but maybe we want to look at more equitable funding of those by the users of those activities," he said

Ryan indicated his staff is currently conducting appraisals on property owned by the district, and Trustee Marcy Staley indicated selling some of it may be a way to gain some much needed cash flow

"We have talked before about selling our undeveloped property," she said "Now is the time we can utilize our assets"

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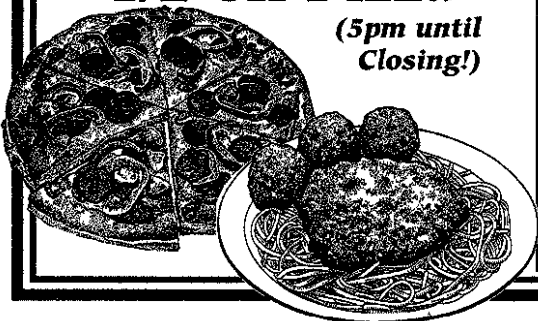
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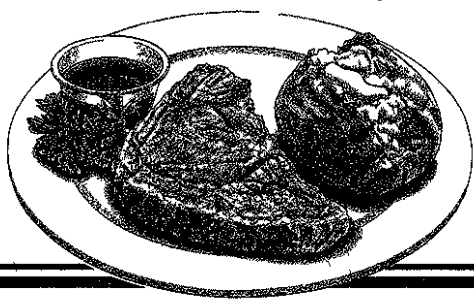
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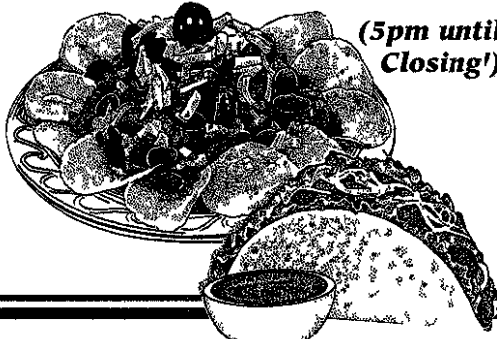
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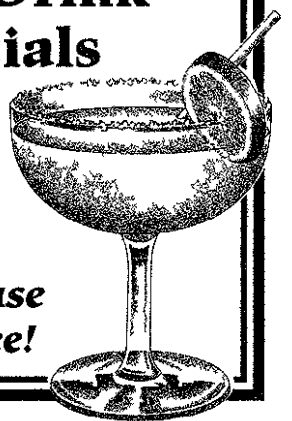
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Robert Widmaier

Private services for Robert Widmaier, 80, of Plymouth will be held at a later date... Mr Widmaier was born March 29, 1923, in Grosse Pointe and died April 23 in Plymouth...

Harold E. Hickey

Services for Harold Hickey, 77, of South Carolina were held April 28 at Forest Hills Cemetery with the Rev Shelton Sanford officiating... Mr Hickey was born in Coldwater and died April 26 in South Carolina...

Patricia Ann Woznick

A memorial service for Patricia Woznick, 73, of Plymouth will be held at 9 a m Friday, May 2, at St John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev George Charnley officiating...

Betty J. Wallace

Services for Betty Wallace, 72, of Westland were held April 29 at the Vermeulen Funeral Home with Paul D Hoppersberger officiating...

Mrs Wallace was born June 12, 1930, in Walbridge, Ohio, and died April 25 at Oakwood Hospital... Survivors include daughter Jill A Wallace of Canton, son Mark E Wallace, son Scott Wallace, and granddaughters Laura and Lynda...

Serge B. Dioso

Services for Serge Dioso, 17, of Plymouth were held May 1 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev Elhas Salomon officiating... Mr Dioso was born Oct 22, 1986, in Detroit and died April 26 in Superior Township...

Howard William Waldrop

Services for Howard Waldrop, 91, of Plymouth were held April 30 at Our Lady of Sorrows Church in Farmington... Mr Waldrop was born April 3, 1912, in Rome, Ga. and died April 27 in Livonia... Survivors include daughter Libby (Joseph) Panetta of Farmington, son, Howard (Karen) Waldrop of Ann Arbor...

Cleatus V. Schnegg

Services for Cleatus Schnegg 87 of Plymouth, were held May 1 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home...

Mrs Schnegg was preceded in death by her husband, Paul, brother Denzel Adams, and sister, Oneida Redd... Survivors include daughter, Gail (Fred) Walters of Tecumseh, grandchildren, Nathan (Alana) Walters of St Clair Shores, Julha Walters of Chicago, Jacob and Caleb Walters, both of Tecumseh, and great granddaughter, Cayla...

Mrs Barnes was born July 13 1924 in Detroit and died April 28 at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital... Survivors include husband, James son Michael (Cheri) Barnes daughters, Jane (Arthur) O'Donohue and Dusty (Marc) Kozloff, brothers and sisters, Ruth Wagner, Marion Lyman and Dons Brejeck, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren...

Jean G. Barnes

Services for Jean Barnes, 78, of Canton will be held May 2 at St John Neumann Catholic Church... Mrs Barnes was born July 13 1924 in Detroit and died April 28 at Huron Valley Sinai Hospital... Survivors include husband, James son Michael (Cheri) Barnes daughters, Jane (Arthur) O'Donohue and Dusty (Marc) Kozloff, brothers and sisters, Ruth Wagner, Marion Lyman and Dons Brejeck, three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren...

Daniel W. Jury

Services for Daniel Jury, 51, of Canton were held April 28 at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church with the Rev Michael Matsko officiating... Mr Jury was born Nov 5, 1951, in Detroit and died April 22 in Grand River Hospital... Survivors include father, Daniel Jury of Plymouth, son Jonathan Jury of Grand Rapids, brother, Robert P (Laura) Jury of Rochester, brother, Gregory (Fara) Jury of Oakland Township, nephews, Steven and Charlie, and nieces...

Elena and Tanya

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W Seven Mile, Livonia MI 48160... Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home

Iva Lee Burcham

Services for Iva Lee Burcham, 86, of Plymouth were held April 26 at Schrader Howell Funeral Home in Plymouth... Mrs Burcham was born Dec 4, 1916, in Huntington, W Va, and died April 23 in Plymouth... She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star in Martin, Ky...

Mrs Burcham was preceded in death by her husband, Zolie, son, Roger and daughter, Alice Marlene... Survivors include children, Betty VanKeuren of Cheboygan, Jim (Gloria) Burcham of Plymouth, and Florence Burcham of Gautier, Miss, seven grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren... Memorial contributions may be made to the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan or the Michigan Humane Society... Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home

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## OUR VIEWS

### City correct to scuttle underpass

The Plymouth City Commission was forced last week to make a choice between a "want" - the Sheldon Road underpass project - and its "need" - to find the money with which to balance its budget.

The city decided on the need and pulled out of the underpass project, rather than have to dig up the additional \$200,000 it would have had to add to the \$500,000 in bond money it had already budgeted.

Despite the \$700,000 gap that leaves in funding for the project, we think the city made the right choice, considering the financial circumstances in which commissioners find themselves.

The city had budgeted some \$500,000 for the project as its share of the local purse. Plymouth Township agreed to pick up around \$1 million, and the rest was coming from CSX, Wayne County and \$5 million in federal money.

However, CSX has dragged its feet, to the point where necessary water main work has been put off and the project has seen delay after delay. With each delay comes new costs, adding more than \$200,000 to the city's tab.

The City Commission supported the project when it was first proposed in 1999, however, it's a new commission now, and commissioners have wavered more and more as the costs have risen. Last week, Mayor Bill Graham, who wasn't on the original commission that approved the expenditure, admitted he'd never been comfortable with the numbers.

It's tough to argue with him, especially when the city is talking about the unpleasant possibilities of a Headlee override to raise taxes, and laying off current employees, to battle its current budget crisis.

The underpass project was conceived and approved in better fiscal times. Plymouth Township officials are still supportive of the project, though neither Supervisor Steve Mann nor any of the township board members seem likely to spend part of their \$5.5 million fund balance picking up the city's share.

Canton Township Supervisor Tom Yack likewise isn't interested in helping save the project, even though Canton residents would obviously benefit.

We don't think either of those municipalities should necessarily pick up the tab, although those are obviously individual decisions that should be based on what's best for their residents. We're not sure making them pay for what appears to be a doomed project would be in their best interests.

We like what the city is doing, concentrating instead on local streets, primarily in the Hough Park area of the city. Township Treasurer Ron Edwards has said he wouldn't mind seeing similar expenditures in Plymouth Township. Wayne County could probably likewise find other things of which to spend that money.

That means a \$5 million grant would go back to the feds, which is a shame, but it probably can't be helped, optimism from county officials aside.

The city is trying to scratch its way out of a pretty deep financial hole, the creation of which is fodder for another day. We think commissioners are doing the right thing not making it worse by purchasing a project the city can no longer afford.

### Time to clean up state's waste laws

We all create waste. The more we consume, the more waste we create.

Area residents have been outraged to discover that Toronto is sending all its trash to a Michigan landfill in Sumpter Township.

Attempts to ban importation of trash from Ontario and neighboring states have met with a constitutional roadblock. Federal courts have ruled that trash is an interstate commodity and interstate trade is constitutionally under the jurisdiction of the federal government. In addition, the North American Free Trade Agreement allows for the importation of trash from Canada.

Federal and state legislators and Gov. Jennifer Granholm have proposed several initiatives to deal with this problem.

We agree with the governor that the Department of Environmental Quality should increase its inspections of landfills to be sure that the landfills do not accept items prohibited by Michigan law such as motor oil and car batteries.

We also support a proposal to expand the state's bottle and can deposit law to include more categories.

The fight for a clean environment begins with us.



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Richard Mitchell of Wixom (left) and Dale Brown of Plymouth look over the wares at Janis Cross' garage sale in Old Village. Several area businesses and residents held garage sales throughout the community.

## LETTERS

### Jaycee thanks

The Plymouth Jaycees would like to thank everyone who attended their annual Easter Egg Hunt this year.

Plymouth Parks and Recreation said we had more people this year than in the past three years combined! It surely had to do with the great weather. We would like to congratulate Sarah Blue for winning the scooter, Lynn Dessum for winning the Beauty Basket, and Pamela Blue for winning the Bob's of Canton gift certificate.

The Plymouth Jaycees would like to thank our sponsors: Lou LaRiche Chevrolet, Bob's of Canton, American Sign Shops, Beaute Craft, Meyer, McDonald's on Ford Road, Burger King on Ford Road, Comprehensive and Modern Dentistry, Dr. George Atsalis, Dr. Hall of Plymouth Dental Associates, Tonya Micallef of Secretz, and GSONMP Jr. Troop 984 for helping us to stuff all of those eggs.

Debbie Baudino  
Plymouth Jaycees

### Equally offended

The question of a pay freeze for PCEA members was thrown around so quickly and so carelessly that Chuck Portelli could do nothing other than respond with the same brashness in which the question was asked.

A pay freeze is not like throwing a \$5 into the kitty. Pay freezes have career-long effects and cannot be taken as lightly as they were suggested.

I believe in quality for all and, for this issue, Robin Wilson does, too. We are now all equally offended. Ms. Wilson is offended by Chuck Portelli's comments and PCEA members are offended by Ms. Wilson's comments. Congratulations to Ms. Wilson on proving that point.

What I don't get is why she is offended in the first place. What is her stake in all this? Does she really understand if and how her children would be impacted by this budget crisis? With nothing finalized, I doubt it.

Ms. Wilson indicated she is "perfectly aware of the role of the PCEA in our schools." Could she have been referring to her dissatisfaction with the PCEA defending certain teachers and their desire to educate through the use of showcase displays? I am curious about her agenda. She has already spread misinformation about half-days and teachers having "little or no regard for our children's education and future."

Ms. Wilson said, "I don't agree with MEAP testing" after previously passing judgment on PCCS teachers with those scores. That would be the ignorant welding I have referred to. If she doesn't agree with MEAP testing, I wholeheartedly encourage opting her children out of the MEAP. But, as my understanding has it, her "opt out" will cause a MEAP score of zero to be figured into the school's AYP. Thus, that "benchmark by which our schools are measured" and the benchmark in which she passes judgment on PCCS teachers becomes skewed.

I would love to "enlighten" the masses about the MEAP. I doubt this newspaper will let me do that here, but I encourage everyone to refer to the *Observer* &

*Eccentric* article by Bloomfield Hills Superintendent Gary Doyle dated March 25, 2001. It's quite good and hits most points I would address.

Bob Mackleby  
Plymouth

### Supports decision

I would like to congratulate and support the Plymouth City Commission for their recent unanimous decision to rescind the economic backing for the Sheldon Road underpass project.

This is a somewhat sad letter for me to write because, like at least one member of the commission, my wife and I needed to cross the tracks on Sheldon to get to work. This was four decades ago. We lived in Lake Pointe and the railroad hassle became intolerable, so because of this and for various other reasons, we moved into downtown Plymouth. We were happy to hear that this problem was going to be resolved for other people still caught up in the traffic jam.

However, because of the incredible arrogance of the railroad companies, especially after their congressional supporters totally destroyed any legitimate effort made by our local officials to follow the "law" and fine the railroads for lengthy and illegal delays on the various street crossings in the city and township, they have still not been forthcoming with any acknowledgment of their share of economic commitment to this project.

This, added to engineering uncertainties regarding the moving of the three-foot major water main to the city, plus the unwillingness (i.e., incompetence) of Wayne County to pin down a final amount they would contribute, or how much that the entire project would cost, could only lead to the logical decision made by the commission members.

Had they continued to support this major "pork" project (defined as such only because of the open-ended cost, unresolved problems, etc.) they would have ill-served the residents of the city of Plymouth, because the money saved from our portion of this project could certainly be well-utilized with the city for internal streets, etc.

The fascinating thing about all of this to me is that this is not a recent problem. Some 50-plus years ago, a member(s?) of the city commission was recalled because of a major conflict involving the railroad, Daisy, underpasses on Main and Umon, who was to pay, implications for jobs and future employment, etc. The various members ran again and were re-elected.

Maybe someone older than I can flesh this out further and make corrections if needed. The main point is that we still need to have these underpasses in various parts of the city, for emergency vehicles, if nothing else. Good luck to us all.

Frederick J. Libbing  
Plymouth

### Release baseless

The release of Ted Behn must be baseless because the pastor was less than informative to both the parish community in attendance at the most recent parish council meeting and has not responded to requests by Ted Behn personally for the background to his decision.

Pastor Sullivan has not been a supporter of the school for several reasons. The

present church is positioned on the property in such a way as to preclude the development of a football field along with a school, proposals to develop athletic facilities on the site at no cost to the church in the past have been refused by pastor Sullivan, and pastor Sullivan has not been involved in school activities beyond those requiring his participation. He does not "listen to the children" as he stated in the most recent meeting because to listen, he must be in the close presence of the children on a regular basis, which he is not.

After gaining information from a parish finance committee meeting some time ago, it was apparent by the information presented that construction of the present church could not be afforded inasmuch as then-current collections would not cover the amortized cost of the archdiocese loan, let alone any interest.

Donations have been withheld from the church as a result of Ted Behn's abrupt termination, leading pastor Sullivan to state that the church would be unable to help subsidize school expenses because of the loss of revenue. While weekly contributions have always been published, this has ceased in recent weeks, and direct requests by individuals for the amounts have been flatly refused by church staff.

Added together and regardless of the school's stellar record, it has appeared to me for some time that the school is destined for closing - probably within five years. Pastor Sullivan is helping the process along with the decapitation of a strong leader who is capable and trusted to make way for a waning in school performance, continued pressure to meet the minimum teacher pay rates as outlined by the archdiocese and a continued dramatic increase in tuition (significant over the past three-four years).

You need only increase expenses a little bit and decrease enrollment a bit to put the school in the "red." In this way, pastor Sullivan will ultimately gain access to the school property with the grim acceptance by the archdiocese that there is no choice other than to sell the highly marketable property for a seven-figure amount to developers and pave the way for a far more realistic refinancing program, in turn providing an appropriate "swan song" for a retiring pastor.

Paul W. Bortell  
Plymouth

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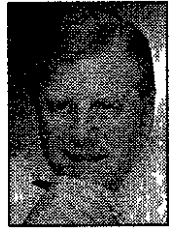
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## We won't see Griffiths' equal any time soon

When I founded the company that owns this newspaper back in 1966, Martha Griffiths had already served six terms in the United States House of Representatives

I had worked with her before then and had wondered at her remarkable career. How she and her husband, Hicks, had been friends with G Mennen "Soapy" and Nancy Williams and how they had created the modern Michigan Democratic Party and elected Soapy governor in 1948. It was in that same election that Martha



Phil Power

had won a seat in the Michigan House, becoming one of only two women state representatives from 1949 to 1952. And how Williams had appointed her to the Detroit Recorder's Court bench.

In 1964, I had been asked by a newly elected Congressman from Kalamazoo, Paul H. Todd Jr., to be his administrative assistant in Washington. Paul was interested in a seat on the Agriculture Committee, and he assigned me the task of figuring

out how to get it for him. It was easy. "Go see Martha Griffiths. She's on Ways and Means, which is the 'Committee on Committees,'" everybody told me. "If she likes Paul, he'll be on that committee in no time."

We did. And she did. And neither Paul nor I ever forgot those sharp eyes, the fierce concentration, the tough questions. And, finally, the big smile written all over her face. "We'll do it," she said, and then immediately set to working out how best to maneuver Paul's candidacy adroitly through the political thickets.

Martha's district at the time included Livonia, Redford Township, Westland and Garden City — communities served by my first few newspapers — together with neighborhoods in northwest Detroit. So in a very real sense, she was the first representative in Congress of my publishing career.

And she was a terrific one! She'd drop by my office from time to time when she was in the district to talk — my, how she could talk! — about the Congress, the president, the country, the issues, the gossip.

One day, the big news was how Wilbur Mills, the then-chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, had got caught cavorting in a Washington fountain with Fannie Foxe, a woman of dubious reputation. Of course, he had made a fool of himself, and everybody expected he would soon lose his very powerful chairmanship. "Don't you laugh at Wilbur Mills!" she snorted.

"He may have done something very silly, but there is no human being alive who understands the tax code of the United States as well as he does." It was perfect Martha.

Of course, Martha was famous for wedging women's rights into the landmark 1964 Civil Rights Act and for forcing the Equal Rights Amendment out of a House committee, where it had languished since 1923. But her other accomplishments, less well-noted, were certainly enormous. She went after the ways Social Security gave the short stick to women and children, worked to better regulate pension funds and close tax loopholes. She thought the insurance industry was profoundly and unfairly stacked against women, and her study of how the welfare system actually treated women and children was a landmark.

In 1982, then-Congressman James Blanchard recruited Martha Griffiths to be his running mate for lieutenant governor. Most observers felt this pick guaranteed Blanchard's election as governor. Martha served for two terms. By the time Blanchard was gearing up to run for a third term in 1990, Martha was 78 and had lost several steps to ill health. Worse, she had lost her sparkle and good humor and had become suspicious and crabby.

Probably egged on by her husband, Hicks, Martha announced to the astonishment of all that she was "available" for a third term. Blanchard did the hard thing but the right thing, picking Libby Maynard to be his running mate against John Engler. Blanchard lost narrowly, and some still think that the ill will that came out of the Martha situation contributed to the losing margin.

I remember going out to Martha's old, white farmhouse in Armada in the mid-1980s. She was going to sign her will, leaving her papers to the University of Michigan. We had a couple of drinks, told a few stories. Then she said, "Well, let's get at it." And she abruptly sat down and signed the papers. Typical Martha.

Martha — in my mind, it has always been "Martha," not "Mrs. Griffiths" or "Congresswoman Griffiths" — was just like that: direct, forthright, funny, generous, passionate for the right, concerned about history and her place in it, and certainly deserving of it. We are not likely to see her equal soon again.

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

## International Workers' Day has its roots in U.S. history

Today is May Day, the International Workers' Holiday.

Well, it is pretty much everywhere else in the world, but not in the United States. Here some people celebrate Law Day, which is laudable as such a day might be really a slap at the origins of the day.

Of course May Day goes back centuries to pagan celebrations of the spring. Once many years ago, children danced around a May pole and wore flowers in their hair.

But the modern May Day begins with

American unionism and the push for the eight-hour day. According to a May Day Web site, May 1, 1886, was the target day set by the Federation of Organized Trades and Labor Unions for making the eight-hour day a legal day's work.

This was a particularly brutal period in American labor history. Pay was low, working conditions were dangerous and political and legal power were in the

hands of the owners.

On May 3, 1886, police fired into a crowd of strikers at the McCormick Reaper Works Factory, killing four and wounding many others. The next day, anarchists held a meeting in Chicago's Haymarket Square. When police moved in to disperse the crowd after a peaceful assembly, someone tossed a bomb at the police, killing one and injuring 70. Police responded by firing back, killing one and wounding others. The person who actually threw the bomb was never identified.

Eventually eight Chicago anarchists were arrested in connection with the bombing. One committed suicide and on Nov. 11, 1887, four were hanged. The remaining three were finally pardoned in 1893.

It is highly questionable whether the law was fairly applied in this incident. Many believe that the anarchists were convenient scapegoats.

In time, the labor movement would win its eight-hour day, a fairer share of the profits of business, health care, safer and cleaner working conditions and a prohibition against child labor. In addition, the labor movement would take a leadership position in extending the rights of women and minorities, instituting Social Security and Medicare and promoting other socially progressive causes. Also, the benefits they won for themselves would become the standard for those who did not join.

But the modern May Day begins with American unionism and the push for the eight-hour day.

Our September Labor Day was started in 1882 by the Knights of Labor, marked sporadically but later adopted by the more conservative and established trade unions as preferable to May Day.

May Day continued to be labor day for the more radical elements in the labor movement and was taken up by the international socialist movement. In the heyday of the Soviet Union, it was second only to November's celebration of the revolution. But the day has spread to most countries of the world and its roots are really in the ongoing American struggle for freedom and justice, concepts alien to the former Soviet Union and other Communist countries.

Those freedoms were not handed to us from on high. They were attained through struggle. Sometimes that struggle was violent. It was often contentious.

Law Day was established in 1958 by President Dwight Eisenhower to celebrate our legal heritage. Many communities hold special programs to inform the public about our legal and court system. It's a day for speeches about the glory of the law.

But as it falls on the International Workers' Day, it seems to imply a criticism of labor union activities. The Haymarket incident is just one of many trials and court decisions that used the power of law against those who fought for their economic and political rights. The law is not always fair, not always even-handed, not always impartial. In the late 1800s and early 1900s, the law was rarely on the side of unionized workers (or suffragists or activists for African American rights or any progressive movement).

Law Day is a commendable idea. Without the law, we have no structure, no chance to make a case.

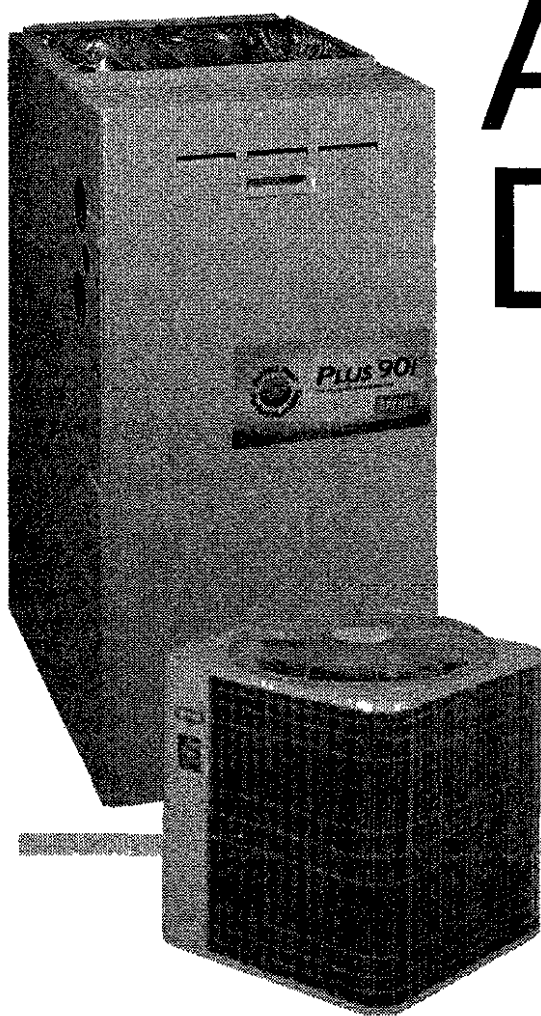
But we need to remember that May Day is also an American holiday and a celebration of the struggle to make the law meaningful for everyone.

Anybody have a May pole?

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# River Day puts emphasis on Rouge River's ecology

BY KURT KUBAN  
STAFF WRITER

Although it is still a month away, many communities are already gearing up for Rouge Rescue, which is scheduled for June 7.

The focus of the annual event, which is now called River Day, has evolved in its 17 years of existence. In the early years, many communities spent the day removing logjams and trash from the river.

The persistence has largely paid off, and much of the trash that used to characterize the river, has been removed from many sections. But the logjams continue to plague the river. Or do they?

Friends of the Rouge, a non-profit group that helps organize River Day activities, is trying to get the message out that logjams are a natural process and actually beneficial to the river.

According to Carolyn Foster-McCaughey, the group's managing director, logjams create habitat for wildlife, including aquatic insects and fish. They also help oxygenate the water and stabilize the river banks.

She said many communities are now getting away from logjam removal, and are instead concentrating on other kinds of activities, such as the planting of native vegetation, streambank stabilization projects, and even nature walks.

"Over the years, we've learned it's not healthy for the river when you rip out logjams. We want people to know we are no longer promoting it. We really want to get people involved with other environmentally friendly activities for River Day," Foster-McCaughey said. "Logjams may look unsightly in many cases, but it's the natural process of the river."

The Rouge River watershed drains 438 square miles, and encompasses

48 communities in three counties before dumping into the Detroit River. Roughly 1.5 million people live in the watershed, making the Rouge one of the most urban rivers in the state.

## ECOLOGY WALK

Still, Foster-McCaughey and many others involved with River Day feel many people don't realize what an asset the Rouge is.

Tracy Slintak, who is coordinating River Day for Farmington Hills, has scheduled a number of different activities, including planting native vegetation at Heritage Park. She is also arranging an "ecology walk" in the park to educate volunteers about the Rouge watershed.

"All of these activities are designed to make people realize the Rouge is something more than just what people

used to pull trash from," said Slintak, the city's environmental coordinator.

Other Rouge communities are planning similar activities. Southfield is planning to remove garlic mustard, an invasive species, from its Valley Woods Trail. Troy is scheduled to plant native plant buffers along the Rouge in either Firefighters Park or the Crescent Ridge Detention Basin. Beverly Hills will conduct a nature walk at the Douglas Evans Nature Preserve.

Foster-McCaughey is hoping all the new activities will help draw more volunteers to this year's River Day. Last year, only about 1,000 people participated at the 20 sites along the Rouge. That is down considerably from the event's peak of about 3,000 volunteers in years past. Her goal for this year is to attract between 1,500 and 2,000 volunteers.

Friends of the Rouge representatives recently met with site coordina-

tors. There are currently 24 sites scheduled to host River Day activities.

Foster-McCaughey said the group tried to encourage the site coordinators to conduct nature walks, which she hopes will make more people realize the health of the Rouge has dramatically improved in recent years.

Nature walks are kind of interesting. People don't really know what's in their backyard. The Rouge offers a lot of beautiful natural areas, but a lot of people just don't recognize that. If you take them out on a nature walk, they'll get an appreciation, and therefore spread the word that we need to restore and protect this resource," she said.

Individuals interested in hosting a River Day site or to volunteer for the event can contact Friends of the Rouge at (313) 792-9627.

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## Madonna to graduate 900 Saturday

Madonna University's 56th commencement will take place at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 3, in Calihan Hall at the University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit, where more than 900 graduates will join the Madonna University alumni ranks.

Honorary doctorate degrees will be bestowed upon Sister Mary Launana Gruszczynski, who has served at Madonna University for 45 years, beginning as a faculty member, moving on to academic dean and then as the vice president for University advancement, U.S. Rep. Joseph K. Knollenberg, R-Bloomfield, Rev. Monsignor Stanley Edward Milewski, recently retired chancellor of the Orchard Lake Schools, and Robert Thompson of Plymouth, founder of the Thompson-McCully Foundation.

Madonna University will confer the degree of doctor of education upon Sister Mary Laurana, a Felician Sister for 64 years.

Rep. Knollenberg will receive the honorary degree of

doctor of humanities.

Receiving the honorary degree of doctor of theology will be Monsignor Milewski. Milewski served the Orchard Lake Schools for 43 years.

Successful business entrepreneur, Robert Thompson who amassed his fortune by developing a road building firm in Belleville, Michigan will receive an honorary doctor of business administration degree.

Presiding over the commencement ceremonies will be Madonna University Vice President for Academic Administration Ernest I. Nolan. The invocation will be given by Sister Nancy Marie Jamroz, vice president for student services. Mace bearer will be Stuart Arends, Ph.D., dean, School of Business.

All graduates and their families are invited to attend Baccalaureate Mass 7 p.m. Thursday, May 1, in the Presentation Chapel located at the Felician Sisters Motherhouse (36800 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia).

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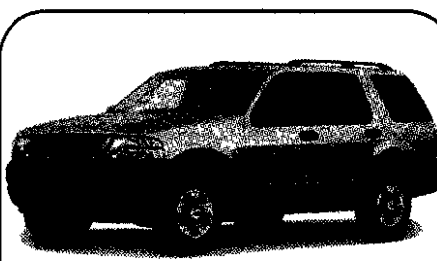
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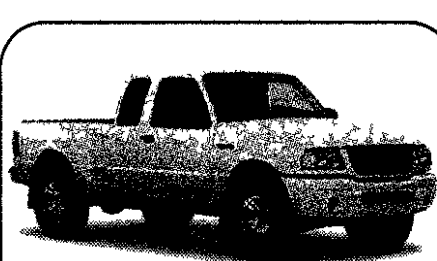



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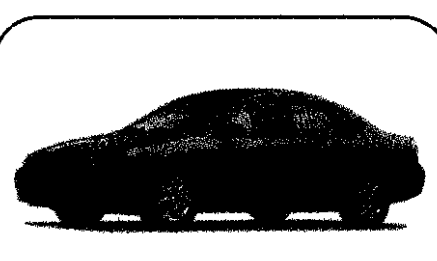


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### Law Day

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### Hustle

Let Shirley Mitchell teach you how to do the Hustle 7 9 p.m. Friday May 9 during a two hour inter generational dance class at Unity of Livonia 28660 Five Mile Road (between Inkster and Middlebelt) in Livonia Suggested donation is \$8 Call (734) 421 1760 or visit www.unityoflivonia.org

### Treat Mom

All aboard for Mother's Day Dinner on the Michigan Star Clipper Dinner Train Pontiac Trail north of Maple Road in Walled Lake Mom will enjoy a three hour train excursion and five course gourmet dinner with live entertainment on Sunday May 11 Train leaves at 5 p.m. Cost is \$72.50 per person all mothers receive \$10 off Reservations required call (248) 960 9440 www.michiganstarclipper.com

### Write on

Four days of poetry fiction and non fiction workshops readings by faculty and students and panel discussions on publishing and creative writing programs are highlights of the Far Field Retreat for Writers Thursday Sunday May 15 18 at Oakland University in Rochester Hills Featured writers include Maureen Dunphy Thomas Lynch and Gerry LaFemina For more information visit www.2oakland.edu/english/farfield

### Cranks

At long last Cranks 59th Street Pub 38123 W 10 Mile Road inside the Holiday Inn in Farmington Hills opened

# Fire and Blood

## Auto industry murals inspire composer

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Diego Rivera predicted one day a composer would turn his Detroit Industry murals into music

It took 70 years but Detroit Symphony Orchestra composer-in-residence Michael Daugherty has captured the spirit of the Detroit Institute of Arts frescoes in *Fire and Blood* for Violin and Orchestra. The work makes its World Premiere with the DSO and conductor Neeme Jarvi Thursday-Sunday, May 1-4, at Orchestra Hall in Detroit.

Internationally known violinist Ida Kavafian is featured soloist, assuming the role of the worker in Daugherty's salute to the men and women whose blood, sweat and tears helped build the automobile industry.

Just as the machinery and workers of Ford's Rouge plant inspired the Mexican modernist artist to paint the magnificent murals depicting the dance of the assembly line, Daugherty was moved to create a musical fresco for violin and orchestra.

### 'INCREDIBLE'

"I first saw the murals 10 years ago," said Daugherty. "The minute I walked in the room I thought these were incredible. I thought about how Diego after visiting the plant heard music in his head and said some day a composer would set the sound for the murals to music."

"I had to think a lot about it and spent a year writing the music. There's so much in the mural. I had to focus on a few of the elements and bring the personality of Diego Rivera in, and Frida Kahlo, a painter in her own right. She was also an important component. They hadn't been married long before they came to Detroit. They talked every day about the murals."



The Detroit Symphony Orchestra performs the world premiere of Michael Daugherty's *Fire and Blood*, a violin concerto inspired by the Diego Rivera murals at the Detroit Institute of Arts.

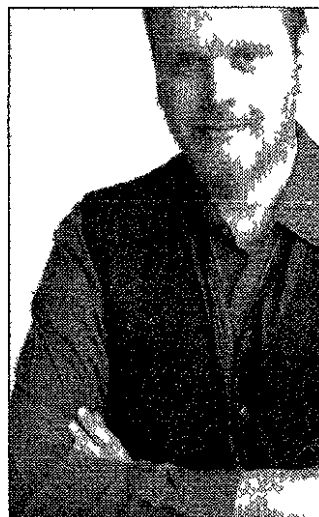
Listening to Daugherty talk about Rivera it's obvious he admires the Mexican muralist. After all, they're kindred spirits creating work about life in their own times. Daugherty composes music about American popular culture. Rivera captured the life of the Mexican peasant and the Communist Party. An ardent member, Rivera believed in the power of the worker.

### DISCUSSIONS

Daugherty discusses the frescoes and Rivera at pre-concert talks that include slides of the murals. Sunday's concert is part of the DSO's Introduction to the Classics series and features an in-depth discussion. Commissioned by Edsel Ford for the Detroit Institute of Arts, Rivera worked on the *Detroit Industry* murals from July 1932 to March

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### FIRE AND BLOOD



Michael Daugherty intensely researched Diego Rivera murals and life before sitting down to compose the music for *Fire and Blood*.

What: Detroit Symphony Orchestra World Premiere of Michael Daugherty's work celebrating Detroit Industry murals at the Detroit Institute of Arts

When: 8 p.m. Thursday Friday May 1-2, 8:30 p.m. Saturday, May 3 3 p.m. Sunday May 4. The Sunday concert is part of the Introduction to the Classics Series and opens with the composer talking about what inspired him to write the violin concerto.

Where: Orchestra Hall, 3711 Woodward Ave. Detroit

Tickets: \$15-\$56. Limited number of box seats available for \$48-\$80. Tickets for Introduction to Classics Series are \$28-\$40. Box seats. Call (313) 576 5111 or visit www.detroitssymphony.com

## Spring's here: Enjoy eating in the great outdoors

BY ELEANOR HEALD  
CORRESPONDENT

### EATING OUT

Winter was long in southeast Michigan. In early spring, Mother Nature threw many curve balls, and not the standard kind in Detroit's Comerica Park.

Now, we're all itching for sunshine, warm days and the potential to eat in the great outdoors. Consider this your metro guide to interesting spots.

### UMBRELLAS AND MORE

Signature red umbrellas opened on the expansive Stone Terrace at **Big Rock Chop & Brew House** in Birmingham on the spring tease of April Fools Day. Umbrellas came down during the ice storm and snow that followed. But they're up now for the warm months to come.

Although the menu is the same for indoor and outdoor eating, the crowd under the umbrellas at lunch favors Chop House barbecue chicken salad or Cobb salad. Executive Chef Nina Scott's gazpacho is a warm weather treat. An appetizer tray dubbed Whirly Birds is a favorite with early evening regulars, then as it gets later, fish or grilled steaks get the call.

Most ordered brews are Big Blonde

Light and Norm's Raggedy Ass, which Brewmaster Dean Jones has 'hopped up' to an India Pale Ale-style. New on the summer drinks menu are pineapple martini and an Absolut Appletini, made with Granny Smith apples marinated on premise.

Various jazz groups entertain on Tuesday evening, every Wednesday, it's jazz by The Warren Commission.

In warm weather, rain or shine, the cafe doors in the expanded dining room at **Forte** open to create a streetside cafe which can also be reserved for private parties up to 54 people. The main dining room menu at lunch and dinner — which also includes daily specials from Executive Chef Tim Voss — is the same for the cafe.

Beginning in late May, Sand Bar (street level of Ocean Grille) in Birmingham offers the acclaimed seafood-oriented menu of the Ocean Grille. Seating accommodates 32 people.

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its doors to the public after months of remodeling. It's an old English pub concept with a touch of American flair, said Brian Sanders, general manager. The menu offers hearty, old-fashioned English recipes such as shepherd's pie and fish and chips. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Call (248) 477 5621 for information.

### Family adventures

Tell us about the adventures you've planned for your children this summer to win tickets to Dora the Explorer Live! Search for the City of Lost Toys May 7 11 at the Fox Theatre in Detroit. Family four packs of tickets will be awarded for the Wednesday May 7 and Thursday May 8 performances and two family four packs for the Friday May 9 performance. Send entries, along with your address and daytime telephone number to Keely Kaleski, Assistant Managing Editor, Features, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax (248) 644 1314 or e-mail kkaleski@oe.homecomm.net. Entries must be received by Friday, May 2.



# Composer reawakens classical side in world premiere

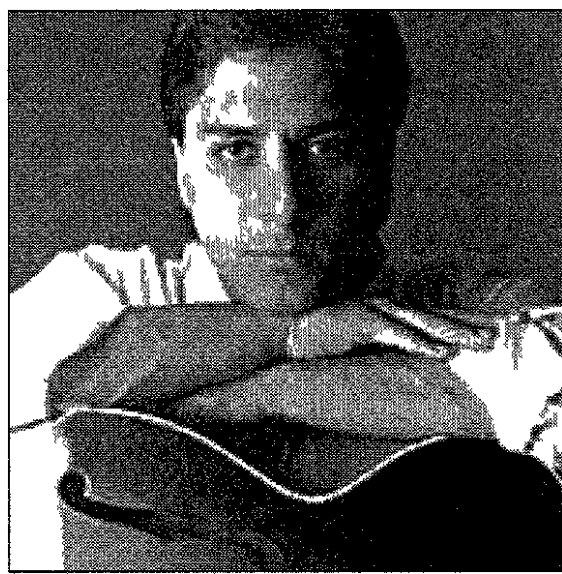
BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Joseph LoDuca is stretching his musical wings with his latest composition for Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings *Impromptu*, a work for oboe, percussion and guitar reawakens the Bloomfield Hills composer's classical side.

LoDuca wrote classical music during his studies at Wayne State University but that was years before he became an Emmy Award winning film composer. LoDuca's had a long and varied career. Many will remember him as a 15-year-old guitarist warming up crowds for acts like Bob Seger, Jeff Beck and Ted Nugent.

played classical guitar and jazz in clubs. Before long he was performing in jazz festivals in Europe and exploring music from around the world. But LoDuca never lost his love for composing. A director friend suggested he try scoring films. LoDuca began composing music for films such as *Evil Dead I and II* and the television series *Xena Warrior Princess* and *Hercules: The Incredible Journeys*. The industry took note of his writing awarding him a Primetime Emmy, 13 regional Emmys, several ASCAP awards and named him horror film composer of the year. Now LoDuca is switching musical styles once more.

Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings and oboist Donald Baker present the world premiere of his *Impromptu* Sunday, May 4, at Birmingham Unitarian Church. "It's an ensemble and a way of doing things I haven't done



## DETROIT CHAMBER WINDS & STRINGS

**What:** Perform the world premiere of Joseph LoDuca's *Impromptu* a work for oboe, strings and percussion featuring oboist Donald Baker

**When:** 7 p.m. Sunday May 4  
Pre-concert talk by LoDuca at 6:15 p.m.

**Where:** Birmingham Unitarian Church, 651 N. Woodward Ave. at Lone Pine Road

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before. It was written in an improvisational spirit. It's the same approach I use for film. I ask what's the setting and who are the characters," said LoDuca. "I'm not necessarily a classical composer. I bring

other elements into play. I use color the way film composers use color. I wanted to bring some of that into this with unlikely pairings - non standard instrument combinations. The first movement the per-

ussionist is playing on a clay pot. Later it's on a Darabuka, a Middle Eastern and North African drum."

As much as LoDuca enjoyed writing *Impromptu* he isn't ready to trade film

scoring for classic music just yet. Before the concert he will play film clips without music so the audience can see the blank canvas with which a composer works. Then he'll talk about the process of scoring films.

LoDuca developed an appreciation for literature and stories while a student at University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. It was exactly the background he needed to become a film composer.

"When you're writing for film you have to respond quickly to a deadline but it gets heard quickly," said LoDuca who's currently composing music for *Peacemakers*, a mystery solving series set in 1870s Colorado with Tom Berenger for USA TV. "It's one of the great advantages of film composition. That and being able to make a living and remain in Michigan. It's nice to be part of the community."

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## DSO

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1933 using the fresco process of painting on damp plaster with water-based pigments. Fresco is one of the most durable mediums. Once the pigments dry the paintings become part of the wall.

Daugherty tells the story of the murals in three movements he refers to as dances - "Volcano," "River Rouge" and "Assembly Line" - using dramatic devices like dissonance and consonance to illustrate the many different moods in the murals.

"I responds to visual images," said Daugherty. "It's a feast for the eye. It gave me a lot of ideas. The murals' prominent motif is steel mills. The fire in *Fire and Blood* comes from the fire of machinery and the blast furnace, and the fire of Diego Rivera's personality. He painted the volcano in the murals because he lived in Mexico City where he was surrounded by volcanoes. The *Blood* is for the humans who operate the machinery.

"Diego Rivera felt that machine and man would work together to create a harmonious

collaboration to bring freedom to the worker. The violinist is like the worker and is surrounded by a mechanical orchestra of percussion instruments. There are industrial sounds coming from a brake drum, ratchet and whip. It's rhythmical, precise and mechanical with lots of repetition."

Like the rest of his work, Daugherty intensely researches a subject before sitting down to compose the music. For *MotorCity Triptych*, a work which made its World Premiere with the DSO in 2001, Daugherty spent hours riding up and down the streets and boulevards of Detroit, and listening to Motown music. He not only tries to reflect an environment in his own writing but tries to pass that philosophy on to his composition students at University of Michigan School of Music in Ann Arbor.

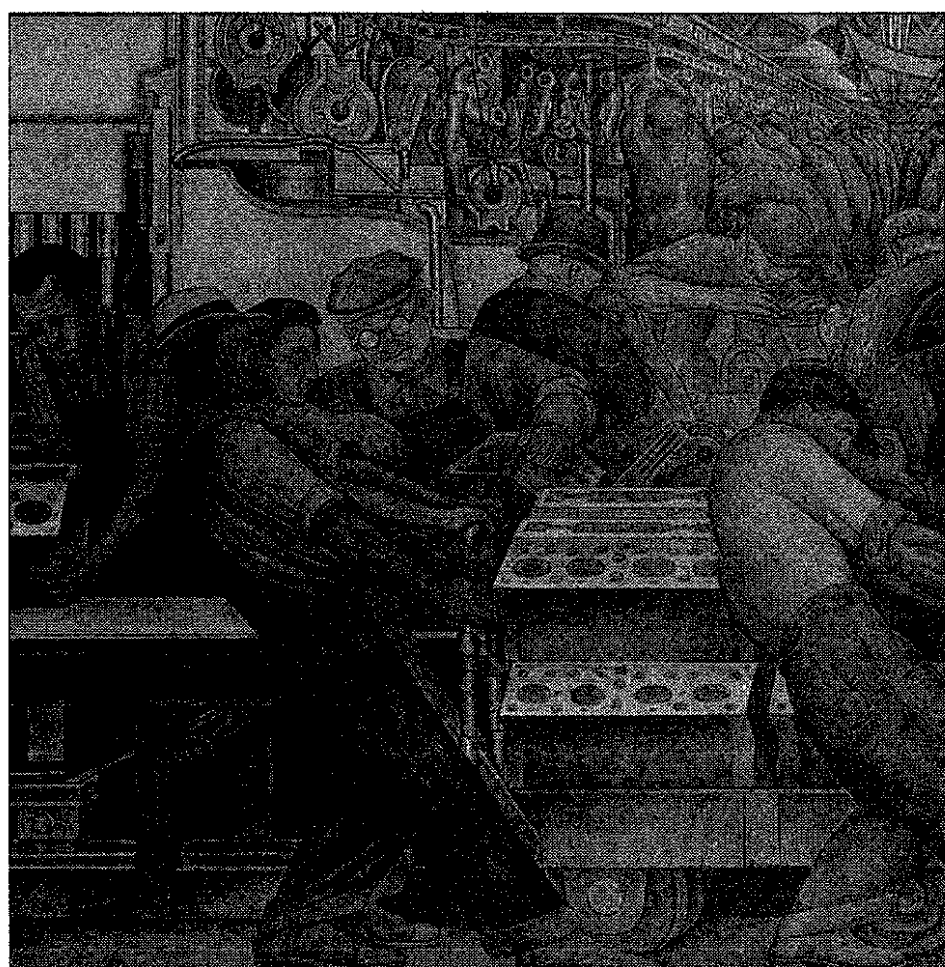
### CAPTURING DRAMA

"I tried to capture the drama. It's over the top, very operatic almost," said Daugherty who's currently composing *Raise the Roof*, a work for tympani to celebrate the opening of the DSO's Max M. Fisher Center in fall.

"It's been called one of Diego Rivera's best works because of



An ardent member of the Mexican Communist Party, Diego Rivera believed in the power of the worker.



Composer Michael Daugherty captures the rhythm of assembly line workers and the power of the towering blast furnaces just as Rivera predicted 70 years ago.

the ambiguity. There's no Lenin like in his Rockefeller Center murals (that were eventually removed). There's revolutionary ideology in the murals but subtle. I think what made it one of his best works was the color and use of icons. The images have double meanings. And it's the use of irony. He paints himself in the mural standing with the workers doing one of the most undesirable jobs.

Everyone has a frown on their face. He painted Dick Tracy and Charlie Chan, the cars and early planes in the murals. You can tell the time it comes from Frida Kahlo's suffering influenced the murals as well. At 18, she was seriously injured in a bus accident. The pain affected her throughout the rest of her life.

In Detroit, Kahlo was homesick for her beloved Mexico. Yet

it was here she created some of her most important work after a miscarriage. "Henry Ford Hospital" and "My Birth" are very bloody depictions. Rivera, in the murals, paints a child in vitro as a loving tribute to Frida.

Daugherty weaves together two violin themes to symbolize her spirit in River Rouge. One is dissonant and flowing like a river of blood. The other

is haunting. Through the orchestration Daugherty brings in the colorful Mexican dress for which Kahlo was noted.

"It's very intimate," said Daugherty. "The violinist and orchestra play chamber music together. It's very lyrical. While the music is haunting, there is an echo of hope."

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# Marathon presents four plays an hour

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

David MacGregor says Heartland Theatre Company's Play by Play marathon is suited to our remote control mentality. If you don't like one of the 23 short plays coming to Oakland University's Studio Theatre Saturday, May 3 - wait 10 minutes. There's sure to be something you'll enjoy seeing whether it's a play focusing on an Eskimo myth to a story about two dogs and a cat.

MacGregor, a Livonia playwright, follows two men around an 18 hole golf course as they talk. This is his fifth time in the festival. MacGregor began writing plays seven years ago. In the last six months he's had two of his screen plays optioned by studios.

"It's an attractive venue for emerging and established playwrights," said MacGregor. "I'm interested to hear people's comments afterward. I'm trying something different. There's no story, no plot, no resolution of conflict just 18 separate conversational fragments. It ends with a phone call from one of the golfer's wives. She asks what did you talk about and he says nothing. Women think men only talk about sex and cars but the audience will have to find out for themselves what they really talk about."

MacGregor's unusual approach is what Jan Radcliff looks for when she and co-founder Mary Rychlewski and an informal committee select 23 plays for the marathon each year. Now in their seventh year, the two receive 150 to 350 scripts annually.

Radcliff premieres her *Play Therapy* about a husband and



Tom Aston directs actors Rick Carver (left), Adam Barnowski (in the tree) and Michelle Walker in 'Up a Tree,' a short play by Marianne Poulin. The work is one of 23 in Heartland Theatre Company's Play by Play marathon.

wife who've reached a crisis point in their marriage. She began writing plays six years ago. Before that she worked in theater as an actor and producer. She still performs in equity productions at

Performance Network in Ann Arbor.

A Birmingham resident, Radcliff takes pride in selecting mainly Michigan playwrights for Play by Play. The marathon is the annual fund-

## PLAY BY PLAY

**What:** A marathon of 23 short plays by local, regional and international authors.

**When:** Noon to midnight Saturday, May 3.

**Where:** Studio Theatre in Varner Hall, Oakland University, Rochester.

**Tickets:** \$5 per hour, \$40 all day pass, available at the door.

For more information, visit [www.heartlandtheatre.com](http://www.heartlandtheatre.com) or call (248) 642-4838.

raising event for Heartland Theatre Company, an organization founded to promote emerging as well as established local writers.

For guidelines and deadlines for submissions, visit the Web site at [www.heartlandtheatre.com](http://www.heartlandtheatre.com).

## PROMOTING NEW WORKS

"It's non-traditional theater as far as we have no season," said Radcliff. "We're here to promote new works for stage. In addition to the marathon we're holding a play writing retreat May 30 at Oakland University in Rochester. We want to nurture and promote local playwrights. 13 of 23 plays are by Michigan writers. There are four plays an hour except for one hour that's shorter to allow for a (5:30 p.m.) pot luck reception at which everyone's welcome. Each play is done twice. Come at noon and see all the plays, or come at 6:30 p.m. You can buy tickets by the hour or a full day pass for \$40.

"There are dramas, comedies, satires, realistic, more theatrical and device driven. There are short plays, some more like skits. It's a great showcase for writers, actors, directors. We encourage people to come. We don't generally recommend the day for children because there are some adult themes."

Tom Aston's directing a play as well as watching from the wings as a scene from a play he's writing is performed. Marianne Poulin's *Up a Tree* features a cast of dogs and a cat trying to help Terry the Terrier gain a little self-confidence.

"We're having way too much fun with *Up a Tree*," said Aston, of Pontiac resident and coordinator of the music, theater and dance department at Oakland University. "The play is extremely physical. I'm working with actors I worked with before in Ensemble Theatre Company, a troupe I founded and had for 20 years."

"*Long Morning Since* is the first scene of a play that's part of a trilogy in progress," said Aston who's been writing plays for 30 years. The is the first time he submitted a play for the marathon. His works have been performed at the Kennedy Center for the

performing arts in Washington, D.C., and at Ford Auditorium with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra. "It explores the nature of integrity in a family and is about a photojournalist who leaves home without making peace with her past and returns when her mom becomes seriously ill. I started writing the play and the women wouldn't stop talking. I'm really committed to what Heartland Theatre is doing for writers in the state of Michigan. It's the only consistent support for writers. We're all contributing our services for the fund-raiser so they can continue their work. We're fortunate to have them in Michigan."

Matt Stadak couldn't agree more. The Rochester Hills resident began writing plays after taking a class with Birmingham playwright Kitty Dubin at Oakland University. One of her plays is also featured in the marathon. Dubin's plays have been performed at Jewish Ensemble Theatre. Three of her one acts are currently featured in *Could This Be Love?* continuing through Sunday, May 11, at Trinity House Theatre in Livonia. Stadak's *Honey Sweet X's and O's* is a comedy about a woman who can't get her boyfriend to say "I love you."

"I'm so grateful something like this is going on. It recharges your artistic energy," said Stadak who graduated from Oakland University with bachelor's degree in performing arts. "As an actor you can sense when people are laughing but as a playwright it's tough."

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# BBSO salutes the month of May with concert, fund-raiser

Show your support for the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra this month. Attend their concert on Sunday - or May 9 fund-raiser - or both.

Sunday's concert begins 6:30 p.m. with a pre-concert lecture by Linette Popoff-Parks, chairwoman of the Madonna University music department.

You'll be lifted out of your seat with excitement by this program of virtuosic musical fireworks. The BBSO titled this concert *A Salute to the Musicians of the BBSO* because many of its members will perform solos throughout the program. Hai Xi Wu, BBSO concert-

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master, will perform Tchaikovsky's *Violin Concerto in D Major*. Also on the program is Shostakovich's *Festive Overture*, Tchaikovsky's *Violin*

*Concerto*, and the Berlioz "Symphonie Fantastique." The BBSO's fund-raiser, Friday, May 9, at the Townsend Hotel in Birmingham, features a gourmet dinner, entertain-

ment by Alexander Zonjic and Friends, and silent and live auctions.

After dinner, Zonjic and Rich Tropea, BBSO's board chairman, will auction off

some of the more valuable items donated to benefit the symphony. Items range from \$10 to \$1,500 and include golf packages, gift baskets of beauty, resort packages, and din-

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# Festival shows arts for everybody to experience

It's true what they say about getting back more than you give. Just ask Laurie Herman, a music therapist teaching students with disabilities at Oakland Technical Center-Southeast in Royal Oak.

For the last eight months she's worked to prepare the singers for a performance at the VSA Arts Festival 12:40 p.m. Friday, May 2, at Livonia Mall.

On Friday and Saturday, May 2-3, the Southeast Region Committee of VSA arts of Michigan showcase 200 performers and exhibit works by Michigan artists with mental and physical disabilities.

As a festival volunteer for the last eight years I can speak from the heart. In addition to giving children and adults with disabilities the opportunity to perform, the annual event allows children of all abilities to draw or make projects in



## Artistic Expressions

Linda Chomin

time for Mother's Day.

The festival is also a good time to find out what VSA arts is all about. Founded by Jean Kennedy Smith in conjunction with the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C., VSA sponsors art, music and dance therapy sessions throughout the year in schools ranging from Pontiac to Birmingham, Livonia and Detroit.

Weekly art sessions help children and adults with disabilities express themselves — and have fun. But without the festival students wouldn't be given the opportunity to sing,

dance or play chimes in front of an audience.

This year I'll be there helping with art activities and selling T-shirts sporting a violin drawn by Tom Willis, an adult artist from The Art Experience studio in Pontiac. In between all of the volunteers will be clapping and moving to the music of performers such as Herman's students. They're looking forward to presenting *I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing*.

## AWESOME JOB

Herman says she has an awesome job which incorporates her love of music. Giving works both ways. In return for helping students express themselves, Herman has the chance to sing, dance and watch her students grow through the arts. You can't ask for more than that from a job.

"These kids can be overlooked," said Herman who has brought students to the festival for the last three years. "They have natural talents and abilities as well as any other student. They love performing. Music gives them greater freedom of expression."

"They're excited about the festival. They've been practicing and learning to take bows. At the end they smile because they know they've done a good job."

Those smiles are what keep myself and the rest of our committee — dance therapist Cindy Babcock of Royal Oak, music therapist Margaret Hull, Birmingham, art therapist Ronda Music, West Bloomfield, Connie Lott, Northville, and our president Jody Stark, Detroit — coming back year after year. Of course we couldn't put on the festival without the Livonia Mall. They've made us feel welcome

and helped in every way they could for the past three years.

Marketing director Bobbi Gelman and her staff are enthusiastic supporters of the arts. The VSA festival kicks off the mall's fourth annual Celebrate the Arts (May 4-17) spotlighting local talent.

Throughout the year the mall sponsors a variety of performances including plays by Livonia Youth Theatre. In the past they've showcased the work of local artists in the Grassroots Gallery which Gelman hopes to reopen in the near future.

"VSA is an integral part of what we believe — the arts all inclusive," said Gelman. "They're for everybody."

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

## VSA ARTS FESTIVAL

**What:** Southeast Region Committee of VSA arts of Michigan presents its annual festival featuring 200 singers, dancers and performers with disabilities, an art exhibit, and hands on activities for children. The festival kicks off Livonia Mall's Celebration of the Arts May 4-17.

**When:** 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, May 2, noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 3. See sidebar for May 4-17 performances.

**Where:** Livonia Mall, Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt. Call (248) 476-1160 for information.

## Celebrate National Music Week

Here's what's happening on the Sears Stage at Livonia Mall, Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt during the Community Celebration of National Music Week. For more information, call (248) 476-1160.

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3:30 p.m. Charlene Berry, dulcimer

**Monday, May 5**  
1:30 p.m. Senior Gospel Choir from Joseph Walker-William Recreation Center in Detroit.  
2:30 p.m. The Strutters Senior Dance Group from the rec center

**Tuesday, May 6**  
12:30 p.m. Gary Cooper, saxophone  
5 p.m. Marjorie Van Hoy, composer and pianist

**Wednesday, May 7**  
11:30 a.m. The Three Shades of Gold, jazz trio  
5 p.m. Vocals, flute and piano by Susie, Annemarie and Peter Hensoldt  
7 p.m. Silver Strings, dulcimer ensemble

**Thursday, May 8**  
2 p.m. Ala Mode, barbershop quartet

**Friday, May 9**  
Noon C.J. Nodus, medley of Broadway favorites

**Saturday, May 10**  
4 p.m. Arbor Opera Theatre  
6 p.m. Mike Dunn, banjo

**Sunday, May 11**  
Mother's Day — no performances

**Monday, May 12**  
2 p.m. C.J. Nodus, medley of Broadway favorites

**Tuesday, May 13**  
12:30 p.m. Gary Cooper, saxophone  
5 p.m. Marjorie Van Hoy, composer and pianist

**Wednesday, May 14**  
11:30 a.m. Ladywood High School Orchestra  
2 p.m. C.J. Nodus, medley of Broadway favorites  
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**Thursday, May 15**  
11 a.m. Birmingham Musicale String Ensemble  
11:45 a.m. Ladywood High School Chorus  
2 p.m. Clarenceville Middle School Show Choir  
7 p.m. Renaissance Barbershop Quartet

**Friday, May 16**  
11:30 a.m. The Three Shades of Gold  
1 p.m. Clarenceville High School Choralists  
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# 'X2' opens; 'Speed' continues at IMAX

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

All the current big-screen hype is about X2, the X-Men sequel opening Friday. X2 reunites the principal cast members, which include Hugh Jackman, Halle Berry, Ian McKellen and Rebecca Romijn-Stamos, continuing the original conflict between humans and mutants.

X-Men was a tremendous box office hit and kicked off the current wave of comic film adaptations. Released by Twentieth Century Fox, X2 is rated PG-13.

If you want a high-tech flick, but prefer a known quantity, The Matrix shows at midnight May 9-10 at Royal Oak's Main Art Theatre, kicking off the return of the venue's Midnight Movies series. For

details and future midnight shows, call (248) 542-0180.

The best high-tech flick in town is probably Top Speed, which continues through the month of May at The Detroit Science Center's IMAX Dome Theatre.

The film explores the science of speed and brings the experience alive via world-class athletes and racing professionals. Look for Olympic medalist Marion Jones, Le Mans champion race car driver Lucas Luhr and downhill mountain bike racer Marla Streb. Comedian and Detroit-area native Tim Allen is the film's on-screen host and narrator. For tickets and additional information, call (313) 577-8400.

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The 'X2' action comes to theaters May 2

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### FILM BEAT

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**MAIN ART THEATRE** 118 North Main at 11 Mile in downtown Royal Oak (248) 542 0180. Adult evening admission is \$8.50. Matinees before 6 p.m. and admission for seniors and children is always \$6.

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# Silly 'Identity' movie suffers from overkill

BY VICTORIA DIAZ  
CORRESPONDENT

In this weird, sopping wet movie, 10 assorted types find themselves thrown together at a seedy little roadside motel on a dark and stormy night. Soon, the motley crew begins, in various and sundry ways, to turn up dead, one-by-bloody-one.

A couple of them are run down by cars, some others are shot, one body is found tumbling in a clothes dryer, and another meets his maker via the old baseball-bat-shoved-down-the-gullet trick. As their ranks thin, those who remain become really unnerved by it all, and everybody begins to suspect everybody else. This wouldn't bring to mind Agatha Christie's *Ten Little Indians*, would it?

As moviegoers, we're supposed to get caught up in the mayhem, too, of course, and play the desperate game along with the hapless hotel guests. And, at first, we do. But after

awhile, everything turns so silly and nonsensical that our natural inclination is to laugh - in all the wrong places.

Talk about your overkill. Directed by James Mangold (*Girl, Interrupted*), and written by Michael Cooney (*Jack Frost*), *Identity* stars John Cusack as a guy who's driving a movie star (Rebecca De Mornay) around the washed-out countryside, and Ray Liotta as a guy who's doing the same for a dangerous criminal (Jake Busey). Only don't be too sure, because (heads up!) so many things in *Identity* are not really what they seem.

Most struggle mightily to rescue this film, but much of the time, it just keeps springing leaks, mainly because *Identity* contains enough clichés to sink a small ship.

The same goes for the rest of the cast, which includes Amanda Peet as a prostitute (with something like a heart of gold, of course), Alfred Molina

as a kindly doctor, and Pruitt Taylor Vince as his patient, who either may or may not be insane.

Anyway, it just keeps raining and raining and raining, and then there's another clap of thunder, and then another flash of lightning, and then yet another dead body, until we all feel rather oversaturated and half-drowned with blood and gore and water.

Then, finally, the sun shines, and we find ourselves in a nice orange grove, and things are supposedly cleared up. But they aren't really. There's one last matter to attend to, rain or shine. We must dig a little deeper (please observe, somebody really is digging in the dirt as the scene opens).

Then  
Oh, stop laughing.

Victoria Diaz is a Livonia resident and writes about movies, books and theater for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

# 'Dead Man Walking' author to speak

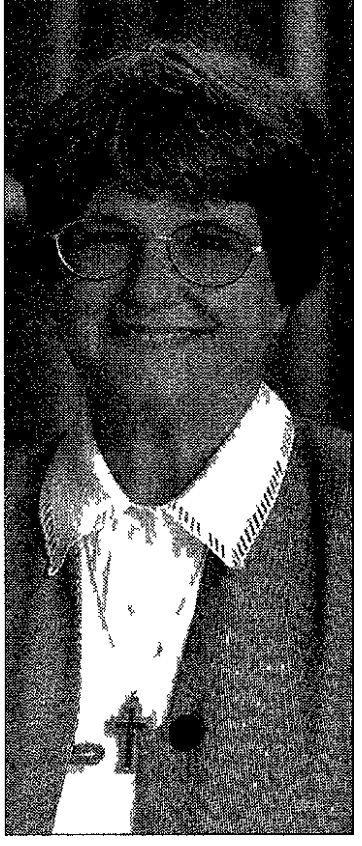
Sister Helen Prejean, author of the best-selling novel *Dead Man Walking: An Eye Witness Account of the Death Penalty in the U.S.*, will give a one-hour talk followed by a question and answer session and book signing 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at the Detroit Opera House.

Michigan Opera Theatre presents *Dead Man Walking*, the thought-provoking opera based on the novel by composer Jake Heggie and librettist Terrance McNally. June 7-15. Sister Prejean will talk about the opera, film and book (Random House, 1993, Vintage 1994) that was on the New York Times best-selling list 31 weeks and nominated for a Pulitzer Prize.

Sister Prejean began counseling death row inmates at the Louisiana State Penitentiary in 1981. Since then she has accompanied five men to their death by execution. Sister Prejean also works with the murder victims' families.

The book was made into a film written and directed by Tim Robbins. Susan Sarandon received best actress at the

**DEAD MAN WALKING**  
What: Sister Helen Prejean talks about her book and the opera coming to Michigan Opera Theatre in June  
When: 7 p.m. Tuesday May 6  
Where: Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway For complimentary tickets to the event, call (313) 237-3254



Best-selling author Sister Helen Prejean talks about her book and the opera, 'Dead Man Walking,' coming to the Detroit Opera House.

Academy Awards in 1996 for her portrayal of Sister Prejean in the film. The opera premiered in 2000 at the San Francisco Opera Company.

Sister Prejean is working on another book, *Impossible Burden*, for Random House on two possibly innocent men on death row.

For more information on the *Dead Man Walking* performance in June, call (313) 237-3254 or visit the Web site at www.MichiganOpera.org





### Performers

The Canadian trumpet-organ duo of Stuart Laughton and William O'Meara perform the final concert of the 2002-2003 Music Series at Nardin Park United Methodist Church 3 p.m. Sunday May 4. Trumpeter Laughton was one of the founding members of Canadian Brass. No charge for concert, light reception 2:15 p.m., open to the public. The church is at 29887 W 11 Mile Road, west of Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860.

# Protecting state's natural beauty at heart of North Country Opera sequel

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Ann Arbor playwright, poet and musician Jay Stielstra integrates the husband-and-wife relationship with the politics of land conservation in his sequel to *North Country Opera*.

On stage Saturday-Monday, May 3-5 at The Ark in Ann Arbor, the folk musical, aptly titled *North Country Opera Continued*, takes up with Stielstra's original story, but 20 years later - just in time for the first *North Country* production's 20th anniversary.

Politics "is a little more overt," in the sequel, said Stielstra, a longtime Ann Arbor resident who grew up in Ludington and wrote the dialogue and songs for both *North Country* musicals.

Stielstra, now 69, said he wanted politics to impact a fictional marriage because he believes our private lives cannot be separated from public issues.

In *North Country Opera Continued*, the story's original lead characters Michael and Sari, now married and the owners of the Buckhorn Bar in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, meet moral and marital conflicts after the arrival of two land developers intent on turning the pristine region into a tourist attraction.

Dissatisfaction with urban life and the rewards of rural living are themes in *North Country Opera*, whereas land conservation is firmly pitted against land development - and a marriage - in the sequel.

"Sari has never been out of the town and is in her mid-40s. She thinks maybe she should make some money," explained Stielstra. "Michael has thrown off his commercial interests long ago to come and be with her."

*North Country Opera Continued* is a two-act musical and contains about 13 songs performed live on acoustic guitar, electric bass, fiddle, banjo, mandolin and dobro, which sounds a bit like an Hawaiian guitar.

"The sound of my music has more of a country sound than pop. There's country folk and pop folk. Mine is more on the country side - with a little blue grass influence," said Stielstra.

A regular performer at several Michigan venues and a songwriter with works recorded by other artists, Stielstra is often referred to as Ann Arbor's "poet laureate."

Dave Siglin, program director at The Ark, goes farther. Stielstra "should be the poet laureate of the State of Michigan," he said. "His songs can be compared with those of any songwriter in the country as far as I'm concerned."

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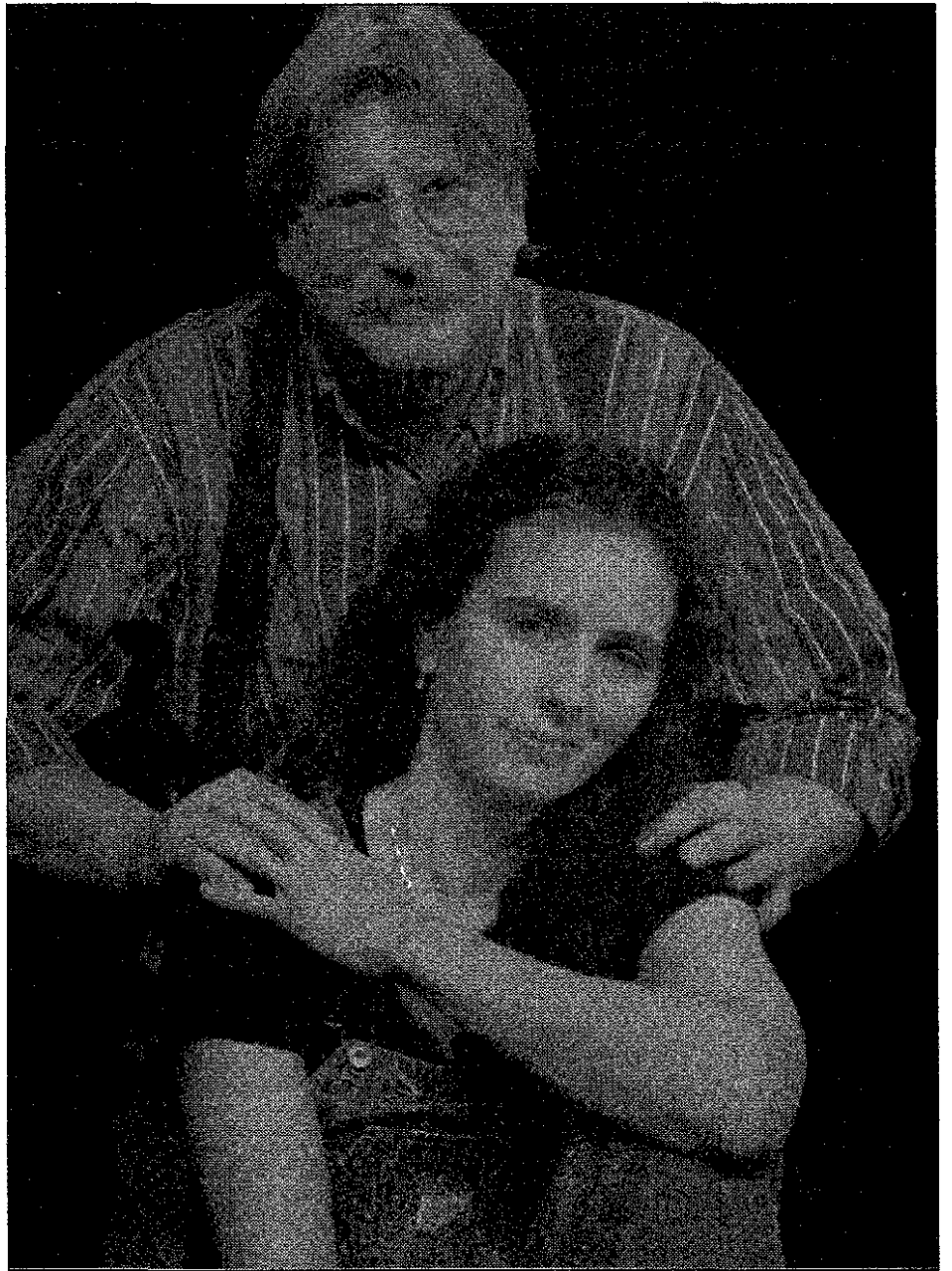


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'North Country Opera Continued' stars Michael Smith, a guitar player and singer with the Cadillac Cowboys, and Tracy Komarmy, chair of Washtenaw Community College's Performing Arts Department.

### FOLK MUSICAL

**What:** North Country Opera Continued a folk musical sequel by Ann Arbor playwright, musician and poet Jay Stielstra.

**When:** 8 p.m. Saturday May 3 and Monday May 5 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday May 4.

**Where:** The Ark 316 South Main in Ann Arbor.

**Tickets:** General admission \$20 students and individuals with a union card or fishing license \$15 call (734) 763 TKTS or TicketMaster at (248) 645-6666.

# Merling Trio spotlights new jazz work

The Merling Trio returns to the Vivace Series 8 p.m. Saturday, May 3, at Birmingham Temple in Farmington Hills.

They'll perform an eclectic program that includes Joseph Haydn's *Piano Trio in C minor*, Argentinean composer Astor Piazzolla's *De Las Cuatro Estaciones Portenas*, and a newly commissioned jazz work by American composer Frank Proto.

The trio is composed of Bruce Uchimura, cello, Susan Uchimura, piano, and Renata Knific, violin. Jazz bassist Tom Knific joins them for the Proto work.

Formed in 1988, the Merling Trio have performed throughout the U.S., Canada, Great Britain, and Asia. The trio members are in residence at Western Michigan University, and are on the faculty at Encore School for Strings and the Lancut Festival in Poland.



The Merling Trio is composed of Bruce Uchimura, cello, Susan Uchimura, piano, and Renata Knific, violin.

The concert will be followed by an afterglow with an opportunity to meet the performers.

### VIVACE SERIES

**What:** Presents the Merling Trio in the final concert of the season.

**When:** 8 p.m. Saturday May 3.

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## OUTSIDE DINING

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tastes better outdoors, then several spots have appeal. Seating about 60 people, the cigar-friendly Biergarten deck at **Copper Canyon Brewery** in Southfield features the same menu outdoors as it does in. Popular selections include sandwiches, salads, ribs, pizza and white fish.

**Rochester Mills Beer Co.** in Rochester seats 50 people outdoors. Here, too, the indoor menu is served outdoors, away from Main Street traffic, auto and truck noise and gas fumes. Wheat beers and lighter styles such as *Lazy Days* are ordered most as are Michigan Cherry Salad, Turkey Reubens and the Cajun Salmon sandwich.

Sister operation of Rochester Mills is **Royal Oak Brewery** in Royal Oak. Although the menu is similar, and it too is away from Main Street, Royal Oak crowds and traffic, the arbor with ceiling fans and live plants in mid-summer gives it a Euro-style feel. An outdoor bar, TV and six patio heaters for chilly evenings treat a fortunate 50 people at this popular watering hole.

Belgian Wit and Northern Lights are the frequently

ordered brews. Favorite eats with the patio crowd are Cheboygan chicken salad and Cobb salad, Hangover burger and the boneless rib sandwich with its barbecue appeal.

**Doyle's Tavern** in Plymouth is not a brewery, but the 38-seat patio, surrounded by a white picket fence, gets most calls for Corona, Killian's Irish Red and Labatt's Blue Light to accompany menu items in warm weather.

### ITALIAN SOJOURN

Eating Italian outdoors is popular at two Plymouth eateries. Summer flower planters and tan and green umbrellas mark **Compani's** 30-seat patio.

The *Compani* salad, romaine tossed with pine nuts, crumbled blue cheese, tomatoes, bacon and a sweet and sour dressing is made for the great outdoors. A popular sandwich is grilled melanzani, eggplant with tomatoes and freshly grated parmesan on grilled Italian bread.

In the evening, *Compani's* regulars like their cocktails and wine on the patio. They get so comfortable, it's not unusual for them to order one of the many pastas and more wine for a true evening out.

After Memorial Day, **Ernesto's** strings its patio lights, arranges

the planters and heaters for chilly evenings. White tablecloths give an upscale feel to the 30-seat patio. Chicken and seafood dishes are popular. Try the *pollo Divinci*, chicken with pasta primavera. *Carafes* of wine, homemade sangria and draft *Bass Ale* by the pitcher are popular beverages.

In addition to regular menu items both Farmington Hills and Northville locations of **Tiramisu**, offer an *assaggi* (tasting) menu from 3:30-4:30 p.m. daily on the 20-seat patio. Small plates range \$4-\$7.

Reservations for the 60 seats on the outdoor covered patio at Southfield's **Il Posto** are a must. The notable menu, served with the Milanese flare that has made *Il Posto* so popular year-round, is available for dining pleasure outdoors.

If there's not a private event scheduled, you can reserve, weather permitting, on the 35-seat patio at the award-winning **Cafe Cortina** in Farmington Hills. Owner Adrian Tonon assures the same superior service and Italian specialties that are served indoors.

### UNIQUE SETTINGS

In its second season, the 30-seat East Patio at **Sweet Georgia Brown** in Detroit will again

sport flower planters, royal blue umbrellas and dishes by Executive Chef Jerry Nottage. It's a popular spot for Sunday brunch, summer salads at lunch and grilled sea bass at dinner.

Bartender Timothy Shulte is famous for his original warm weather martinis such as peach, "bluesberry" and caramel apple.

Year-round, the Up North feel of **Paint Creek Cider Mill & Restaurant** in Rochester makes it inviting — even more so in warm-weather months when the creek is gurgling. If you can't get away for a weekend in Michigan's beautiful northern reaches, head north in Oakland County and claim a few of the 60 deck seats.

Hiking shorts and biking outfits are welcomed attire for those using the 10-mile-long Paint Creek Trailway that runs alongside the property. Settle in and order such items as pan-seared ahi tuna or grilled salmon salad, signature items by Chef James Primeau. If you like barbecued ribs, you can eat them unmolested by mosquitoes, since electric mosquito magnets have been installed.

If you can't sleep and you live near **Garden City**, the patio at **Garden City Cafe** is open 24/7. By Memorial Day, new items including flavored coffees, cappuccino, espresso, ice cream and desserts will be added to the patio menu.

### NEW THIS SEASON

When it opens sometime around May 9 in Novi's Fountain Walk, the 60-seat patio at the new **Bamboo Club** is sure to be a hit with Pacific Rim food lovers.

**Assaggi Mediterranean Bistro** has a sidewalk patio accommodating 24 but designs are on the drawing board for a large one in the back to be completed by mid- to late summer for appetizers and cocktails only. Weather permitting now, the small patio is open for Sunday brunch, a new feature at this popular Ferndale eatery.


**Eleanor Heald** is a nationally published writer and Troy resident who writes about restaurants, food, wine and spirits for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. To leave her a voice mail message dial (734) 953-2047 on a touch tone phone mailbox 1864#.



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## Dining

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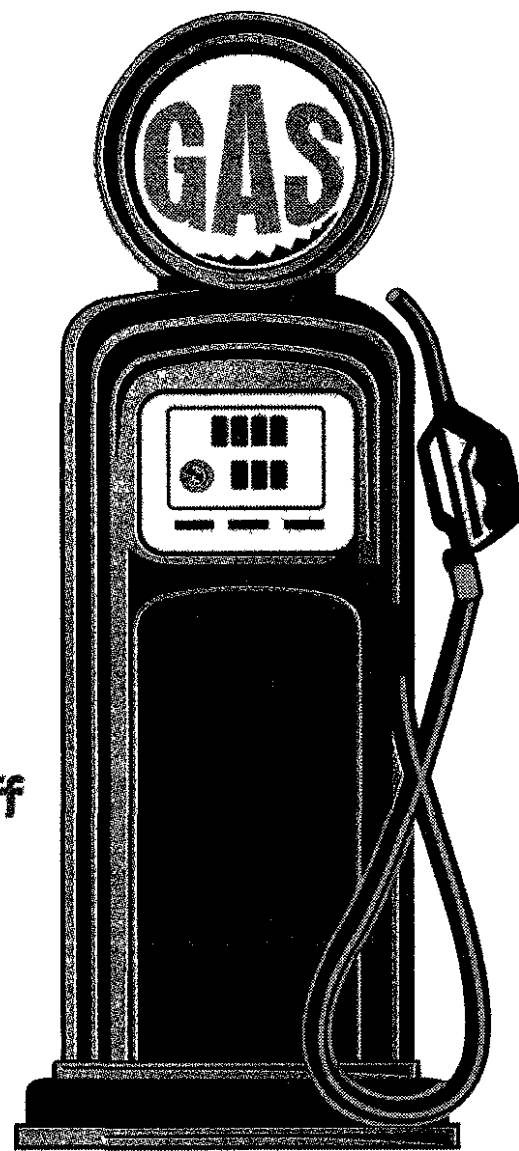
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### Plant sales

Several garden clubs and organizations are planning spring plant sales over the next few weeks

The city of Farmington Hills Spring Plant Swap is set for 8 30 11 a m Saturday May 17 in the city hall parking lot at 11 Mile and Orchard Lake



roads All gardeners are invited to bring perennials and seeds to swap

The Evening Primrose Garden Club of Troy will hold its annual plant auction 7 9 p m Tuesday May 20 at the Troy Community Center 3179 Livernois (north of Big Beaver Road) All gardeners can bring extra perennials all potted and labeled Slightly used garden tools fertilizer and garden books can be donated to Habitat of Humanity For more information call (248) 528 1919

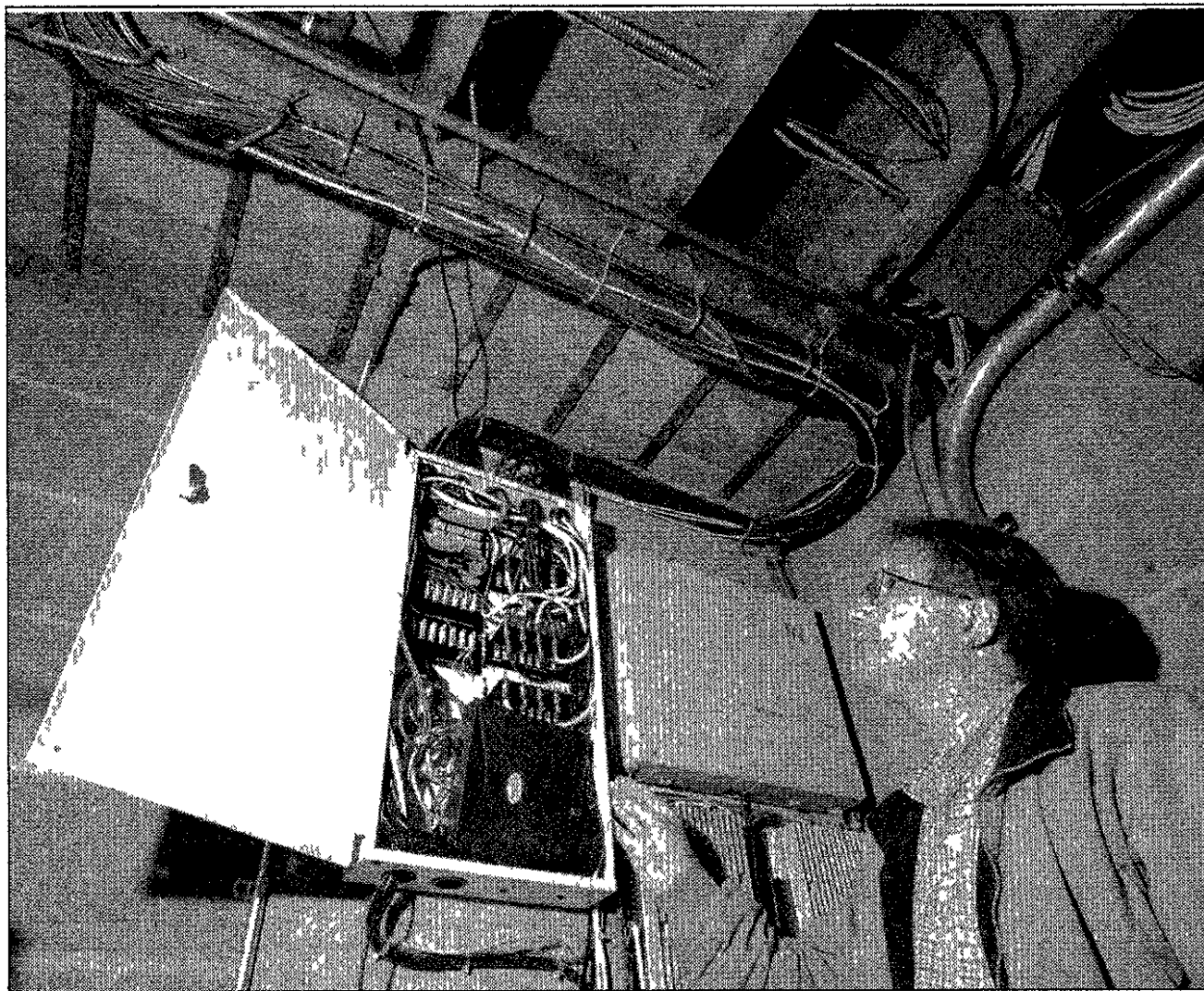
Cranbrook House and Gardens Auxiliary of Bloomfield Hills will host a spring plant sale noon 8 p m Tuesday May 13 and 9 a m 3 p m Wednesday May 14

### Step in gas grills

Weber Stephen Products Co has introduced new line of gas grills for spring 2003

The new Summit Silver and Gold models feature stainless steel burners expanded cooking surfaces Flavorizer bars (which replace the lava rock or ceramic briquettes) stainless steel cooking grates, infrared rotisserie burners and side burners Prices range from \$999 \$1 899 The new Summit Silver gas grills feature four stainless steel burners and 700 total square inches of cooking space The Summit Gold gas grills feature six stainless steel burners and 902 square inches of cooking space

For more information on Weber products recipes and tips on grilling visit [www.weber.com](http://www.weber.com) or call Weber Grill Line which operates from April 1 through Labor Day at (800) GRILL OUT



Jim Struble of RCI Electric retrofitted his home in Farmington Hills with wiring for the digital age

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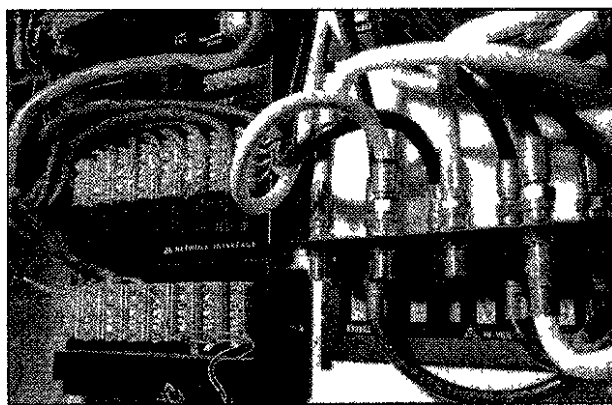
# Wired for (SOUND)

## Structured wiring adds versatility to homes

BY DOUG FUNKE  
STAFF WRITER

Imagine that you can easily get a printout from any of several computers in the house with only one printer on the premises

Imagine that you can



The panel features room for expansion and rerouting wiring

click a remote and call up a DVD from any TV in the house even though you have only one DVD player

Imagine setting up a telephone intercom system with a single line into the home

Imagine that you can monitor the baby's room in your home from work

Actually, no need to imagine With structured wiring systems all those capabilities - and more - are now available to folks building a new home or retrofitting an existing house

"Structured wiring is pre-wiring a house for flexibility," said Jim Struble, owner of RCI Electric in Farmington Hills

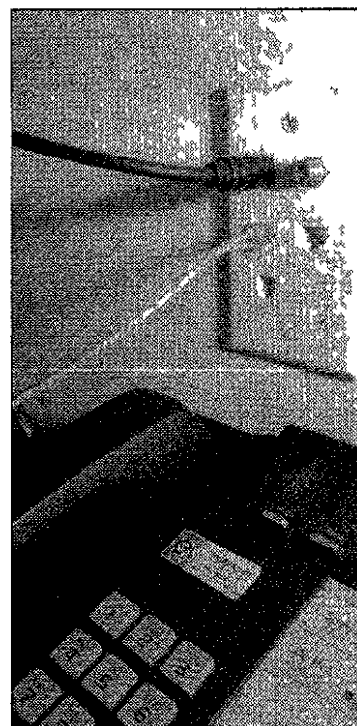
### FLEXIBILITY COUNTS

"The primary benefit is flexibility of having a house pre-wired for services we all use, or will use, where you don't know what room you will put things in or you change the layout of the house or use of a particular room," he added

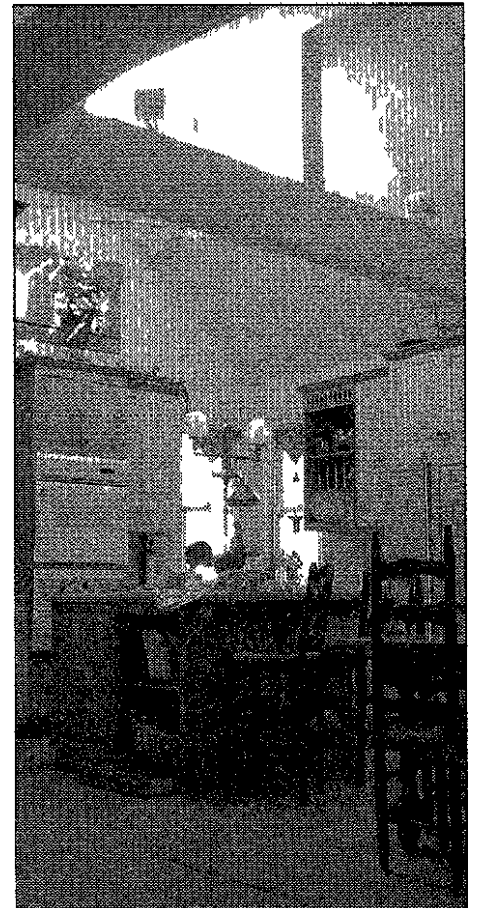
For instance, a bedroom today might become an office or media room tomorrow

The key components of a structured wiring system include a hub distribution center - similar in appearance to a traditional circuit breaker box - usually

PLEASE SEE SOUND, C4



A data port in the kitchen handles cable, broadband and phone lines



This kitchen, once featured in the *Better Homes & Gardens Kitchen and Bath Ideas* magazine in spring 1995, will be on the Northville/Plymouth kitchen tour

## Check out seven kitchens on this tour

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Kitchens often are the center of remodeling projects in homes

Kathryn Peltier, a kitchen designer, thought those projects deserve to be seen by visitors so she decided to organize a kitchen tour

The first-annual Northville/Plymouth Kitchen Tour to benefit O U R. Camp, a local nonprofit summer camp for special-needs children, is scheduled from 10 a m to 4 p m Tuesday, May 6

Visitors will stop at seven homes and tour the kitchens of homes in Northville - with tables decorated and designed by local businesses in Plymouth The tour includes a luncheon at Genetti's Hole-in-the-Wall in Northville

"I saw a couple of other kitchen tours in other communities, but we've never had one on this side of town," Peltier said about the idea of a kitchen tour

"There's just so much attention spent on remodeling the kitchen"

The seven homes vary in styles, Peltier said One is a Victorian style, another is a 1920s Dutch colonial and another is a 1960s tri-level

"They are all very different kitchens," Peltier said "They are all ideas that are realistic, ideas that others can use in the home"

Two of the homes are new, and one of those is a log home, Peltier said

The kitchen styles vary from Country French to Arts and Crafts

One kitchen has six skylights and there are more than eight types of light fixtures in the room Etched-glass back-splashes were installed around the food preparation area

The cooking area was bumped out 4 feet toward the back of the home Cabinets were custom built and finished with milk-paint and glaze An upside-down chandelier is mounted on the island

In another home on the tour, a kitchen was bumped out 12 feet, a dramatic center window frames a beautiful view of the woods, and behind the cooking area is an additional entertainment space that includes a bar sink, ice maker and additional bar seating

Participating businesses include Designer's Choice, Blissful Bedding, Southern Living Home (Nance Sutherland) and Awesome Room Makeovers (Sandra Anselm), all of Plymouth Preferences, Kitchen Witch, Gardenviews, Paper and Paint and Center Street Design Group (Andrea Proctor) of Northville also will be decorating the kitchens

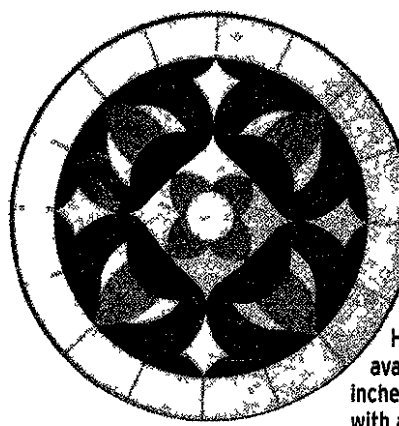
Tickets are \$25 and are available in Northville at Genetti's, 108 E Main, The Kitchen Witch, 134 E Main, and the Chamber of Commerce, 195 S Main In Plymouth, tickets can be purchased at the Coffee Bean, 884 Penniman (at Harvey Street) or by calling Kathy Peltier at (248) 348-7026

## MARKET PLACE

### Submissions

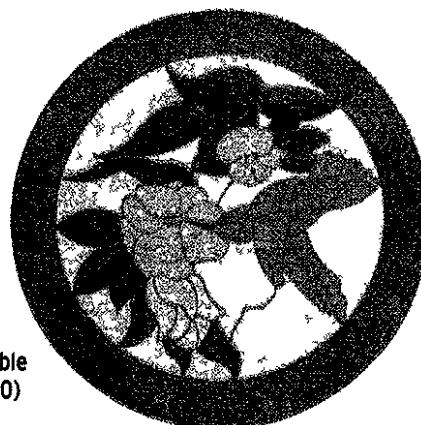
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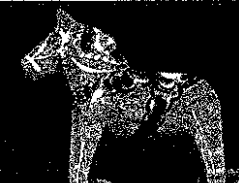


### Tabletop designs

Enjoy the popular designs of the Southwest or Old World in these tables from Patio Furniture Outlets, 1707 West Road in Trenton The Magnolia Design (left) and Hummingbird Design are each available in 24-, 30-, 38- and 40-inch round The magnolia is available with a 2-inch umbrella hole Call (800) 310-5094 for more information



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# Here's more on the Appliance Repair Act

The following is the second part of a review of the Michigan Appliance Repair Act. Last week's column dealt with written estimates, the final bill and warranties.



**Appliance Doctor**

Joe Gagnon

In most circumstances service dealers must return all parts removed from the appliance unless the customer declines, in writing, to receive the removed part. The service dealer may retain any part for an exchange and it is needed to be returned to the manufacturer as required by the manufacturer's warranty or it contains hazardous material. That part may be retained by the service dealer if the dealer provides to the customer, at the completion of the repair, service, or maintenance, a written statement on the final bill describing the reason for the retention of the part.

Remedy: A service dealer who persuades, or induces a customer to authorize work through false statements, or who fails to comply with disclosure requirements violates the law.

That dealer is liable for damages or \$250, whichever is greater, and attorney fees. A court could award up to twice that amount for willful intent.

It took 17 years to get this law passed in our state and trust me when I tell you that it wasn't fun.

It was educational though and I learned a great deal on how our government operates. Slow to the point of much frustration on my part but yet sure of what they were doing by the many hours of research on their part.

I once wrote in this column that I would get this law passed before I died and sometimes I thought our government was taking me to task. It is passed now and I think they tagged my name onto it as a measure of apology for my 17 years of involvement.

The reason it passed is that the state realizes that most appliance repair companies are good and worthy of consumer confidence and that only a few are the out and out ripoffs.

The state has overseen or used some form of regulation for almost all service industries except for the appliance repair industry.

Those few unethical businesses took advantage of this fact for many years and tainted the image of the good guys to a great degree.

The good guys have been doing what is prescribed in the Appliance Repair Act for many years and they didn't need a law to tell them to do so.

I recently learned that the Attorney General's office is still receiving complaints about

improper service being performed by certain companies.

I scratched and clawed for 17 years to get this law passed, not for me but for you. I don't want these types of companies in my industry and I don't want them to rip you off and if they persist, I want them to be criminally charged.

If you think you've been taken to the cleaners by an appliance repair company, then give me a call.

If the service technician takes a part out of your appliance without a reasonable explanation and doesn't leave it with you, ask yourself why he or she is doing that. Remember that you can never prove the part wasn't defective if you don't have it in your possession.

You need to know that the crooks in the business are still out there and you have to be sure that the company coming into your home is a good one. Stay tuned.

Questions about the Joe Gagnon Appliance Repair Act or complaints may be directed to Attorney General's Office, Consumer Protection Division, PO Box 30213, Lansing MI 48909 or call 1-517-373-1140 or 1-877-765-8388 (1-877-SOLVE-88).

Joe Gagnon is host of Ask The Handyman on Infinity Radio AM 1270 8 a.m. noon Saturdays and Sundays. You can hear his tips on WWJ 950 on weekdays. You can call him on his show at (248) 356 1270.

## HOME CALENDAR

### School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening presents classes on a wide range of topics.

The schedule includes these classes which meet at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza: the four session Healthy Soil and Wise Fertilizing (\$124) beginning Thursday May 1 or Friday May 2 and Mixed Borders (\$39.50) Tuesday May 6. Register early. Seating is limited. For more information call (248) 4 GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com

### Special sale

Gorman's Furniture 23231 Industrial Park Drive in Farmington Hills will be hosting a special warehouse sale 10 a.m. 6 p.m. Saturday May 3 and noon 5 p.m. Sunday May 4. All floor samples and overstocked items will be available at discounted prices. Gorman's associates and design consultants will be on hand to assist customers with their selections. For more information call (248) 473 9131.

### Farmington Garden Club

Beth Poole a member of the Farmington Garden Club will use slides and demonstrate the art of container gardening putting a large pot together in time for spring planting at the next club meeting at noon Monday May 5 at the Longacre House on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads.

### Livonia Garden Club

The May meeting of the Livonia Garden Club will feature Roger Sutherland professor emeritus from Schoolcraft College will discuss Michigan Spring Beauties is all about Michigan wildflowers at the Livonia Garden Club's next meeting at

7:30 p.m. Tuesday May 6 at the Livonia Senior Center at Farmington and Five Mile.

### Herb study group

The Evening Herb Study Group will meet 7:30 p.m. Monday May 5 in Room 125 of the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens Building 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor. Guests are welcome. Master gardener Sherry Stephens a member will speak on basil - its history and growing and using this herb. A plant and seed exchange will take place after the program. Bring any seeds or plants you may have to exchange with other members. Nominations for the 2003-04 board will be made. They will be voted on in June. The group meets the first Monday of the month February through November at the Matthaei Botanical Gardens Building. The purpose of the group is to share experiences with herbs to increase knowledge of growing and using herb plants and other fun activities. For more information call H. Leland at (734) 459 8454. For information on the Matthaei Botanical Gardens call (734) 998 7061.

### Metropolitan Rose Society

The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7:15 p.m. Friday May 2 at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center 3500 Marais east of Crooks and north of 13 Mile. Amy Cothron will speak on Making Flower Arrangements Easy. Admission is free. The public may attend. Call (248) 689 9529 for information.

### Planting roses

Roger and Nancy Lindley owners of Great Lakes Roses are celebrating spring with a series of free public pro-

grams Sundays and Mondays at Great Lakes Roses 49875 Willow Road between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) roads in Sumpter Township. How to Plant Roses a slide lecture and hands on garden demonstration will take place rain or shine 1 p.m. Sunday May 4 or 11 a.m. Monday May 5.

Great Lakes Roses offers more than 500 varieties of roses and stocks the complete line of Felco pruners books about roses fertilizers soil amendments and pesticides. Visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461-1230 to request a flyer.

### Matthaei Botanical Gardens

The adult education program at the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens includes these classes: Natural Landscaping (fee \$40 \$36 for members) Tuesdays May 6-13 the two-session Spring Flora (\$60 \$54 for members) beginning Tuesday May 6 and the three session Michigan Birds (\$90 \$81 for members), beginning Thursday May 8. Call (734) 998 7061 for information.

### Annual Flower Sale

Northville will host its 16th Annual Flower Sale 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday May 23 and 9 a.m. 5 p.m. Saturday May 24 on Main Street between Hutton and Center streets. Over 50 greenhouses will sell annuals perennials shrubs roses and exotic plants. For information call (248) 348-0488.

If you have an item for the garden calendar please submit at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, At Home editor, Observer Newspapers 36215 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oehomecomm.net

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# Stay safe when using your barbecue grill

These are few simple tips that can help you enjoy your food cooked on your barbecue grill, while you stay safe.

**Keep your grill clean**  
Accumulated grease can usually be removed using spray degreasers such (409, Fantastic and others) and scraping with a putty knife.

**Grease fires** are very hot and difficult to put out. One Christmas Eve we attempted to cook a goose on our gas grill.

Did you know that goose fat burns hot enough to melt cast aluminum? We do now. The Christmas pizza wasn't too bad. The use of grills on wooden decks is of course popular. Be aware of leaves, dry grass and other combustibles that may gather near the grill or under the deck boards.

It's a good idea to have a multipurpose fire extinguisher handy. Keep children a safe distance from the hot grill and never leave the grill unattended (refer back to the goose).

## GAS GRILL SAFETY

Mix some dish soap with water and paint it on all gas connections.

Bubbles will form if there is a leak. Any leak must be repaired (either tighten the connection or replace the part) before lighting your grill.

At the same time, check the burners for rust and other damage.

Check the venturi tube (see your owners manual) for insect nests or other blockage. A blocked venturi will at the least make your grill burn improperly and hard to light, at worst will cause the gas to spill away

from the burner.

Long nozzle lighters are safest for lighting gas grills after the built-in electric igniter won't spark (usually within the first year). Never light a gas grill with the lid closed - gas can accumulate causing flashback.

Always turn off the gas at the tank. Control valves are notorious for not sealing tight.

## TRADITIONAL FUEL GRILLS

Never, ever, don't even think about using gasoline as a starter fluid for a charcoal grill. Gasoline is absolutely too volatile for anything other than use in engines. In fact, only use charcoal lighter fluid for this purpose.

Stack the coals in a cone shaped pile squirting a little fluid on the layers as you build the pile. Let it set for a few moments and light the pile in several places near the bottom.

A better, and much easier way to light coals is by using an electric coal starter. Not only are these safer than starter fluid but the sometimes-residual petroleum smell and taste is not transferred to the grilled food. I prefer using a chimney style lighter. These are metal tubes with a wooden handle and vent holes near the bottom.

Set the tube in the firebox. Wadded newspaper is placed in the bottom of the tube and charcoal is placed above the paper.

Light the paper. The coals light as the hot gasses vent up the chimney.

Have a safe and tasty outdoor cooking season.

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

Happy May Day! Be kind to yourself, family and friends, and make this a special day to remember.

Soon we'll see many beautiful and versatile geraniums in flower beds, and containers such as window boxes and hanging baskets. You folks always surprise me with the way you 'dress' your gardens with these plants.

Most species of geraniums originated in South Africa, and although their popularity had ups and downs, on the most part they have been quite popular for many years. Before going any further, here's the scoop about



**Garden Spot**

**Marty Figley**

geraniums/pelargoniums. The Geraniaceae family of plants includes five genera, of which Pelargonium and Geranium are the best known. The differences are in the flowers and the fact that geraniums have 10 fertile stamens, while pelargoniums have no more than seven fertile stamens out of 10. (Wow! Now you can sleep easily tonight!)

Most people call these plants geraniums, including nurseries, so that is the term we will use.

We'll concentrate on some of the most familiar ones, the zonals for bedding and window boxes, the ivy-leaved types for hanging baskets, and the scented for their versatile uses.

Now breeders offer geraniums with unusual forms, miniatures and those with scented leaves.

## TYPES

Zonal geraniums are distinguished by the dark ring, or zone, that's often found on the leaves.

These plants bloom in an extraordinary array of colors

same to everyone, but that is part of the fun of growing them. The leaves can be used in potpourri, cooking and beverages, and to flavor sugars. The sugars can be used to flavor fruit salads, cakes, icings and iced teas.

Here's how to make rose geranium sugar. Use extra-fine white sugar, and rose-scented geranium leaves, washed and dried. Place a 1-inch layer of sugar in an airtight storage jar. Gently bruise a few leaves, to release their fragrance, and place them on top of the sugar. Repeat until all the sugar and leaves are used. Cover, label and let set for at least 24 hours before using.

## CARE

Geraniums don't require a lot of care. Wait until all danger of frost is past before setting them in the garden. They do like full sun to light shade and rich, well-drained soil (neutral to slightly alkaline pH).

Pinch plants to encourage branching and deadhead regularly. Newly potted plants have enough nutrients for about six weeks in peat-based composts, so wait a while before fertilizing.

Water container-grown plants regularly, generally, the more you water the more you should feed. Set directly in the ground. They can withstand some drought. Fertilize with an all-purpose product, follow label directions.

I grow my geraniums in a small rectangular container. When it's time to bring them indoors, I simply carry the box of flowers to the basement, set them in an east window and prune them back.

I water them about twice during the winter months (the basement is warm) and cut them back a time or two. I begin fertilizing them and give them more water as spring approaches.

I change the soil completely or incorporate fresh into the existing soil before I set them back out on the deck.

Geraniums can also be started from 4-inch cuttings.

## GOOD GARDEN TIP

Tim Travis and Juha Janiak of Goldner Walsh Nursery, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, will present An Asia Travelogue and Private Pottery Preview 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8. They recently returned from Southeast Asia - where they visited Thailand, Malaysia, Vietnam and Singapore - and will share their adventure and show how the pottery is made there. Three truckloads of new pottery will be available for purchase. A special discount of 15 percent will be offered that night only for attending guests.

You are invited to this free slide presentation. Call (248) 332-6430, Ext. 233, for your required reservation.

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.



MARTY FIGLEY

Geraniums are very popular plants and add beauty to the garden.

The red, white and pink varieties are now joined by those with vibrant scarlet, crimson and magenta, or cream apricot or pale lavender. Bicolors are either edged, speckled or softly tinged with a contrasting color. These are also known as garden geraniums, for obvious reasons. Ivy geraniums have fleshy, lobed, ivy-like leaves and trailing stems that can reach 3 to 4 feet. The single- or double-flower clusters of flowers in shades of pink, mauve, lilac and white are ideal for hanging baskets. They are also attractive when they're positioned to hang over the edge of a container.

Geraniums with scented leaves are becoming more popular each year as people discover them. Their forms and leaves are varied, usually the flowers are insignificant.

The scents are as varied as the leaves themselves. They include rose, mint, lemon, ginger, lime, apple, orange, coconut, nutmeg and spicy. They don't always smell the

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**SOUND**

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placed in the basement  
Ports - similar in size and appearance to a traditional electrical box with wiring for telephone, cable TV and computer Internet services - are placed in individual rooms and carry wire behind walls to the hub distribution center

Main cable TV, telephone lines and Internet connections coming into the home attach to the hub  
Consumers can design a plan that carries various capabilities per room via ports, wiring and the hub that suit their purposes Cable connections at the hub allow for different rooms to come "on line"

Several different companies provide various cable, telephone and Internet activated services, said Walter H Denike, master electrician with RCI

"Everybody made products that didn't interface," he said "Now, all manufacturers see structured wiring as the way to go to make options network."

"It's like enhancing the nervous system in the body," Denike added "As long as you can send a signal through the house, you can do anything as long as you have the right equipment at each end"

Other electrical contractors install structured wiring systems  
Struble pegged the price at about \$125 per wall port outlet to retrofit an existing home, plus \$1,000 for the hub

**NEW IS BETTER**

"It's much easier, much more economical (to install) new," he said "I have complete flexibility with never having to go back into the walls again"

"Clients at the higher end a lot of times have a pretty good idea what they want to do," Struble said "Some want full automation, the highest level of control Others

want to keep it simple  
"It's an investment in flexibility and interconnecting of a house," he said

The future is now with structured wiring, said Marc Cohen, president of Wired for Sound in West Bloomfield

This is not *Lost in Space, Close Encounters* This is reality," Cohen said "We tell what's available and design to a customer's needs make it work for a customer It keeps them in touch with technology"

"I think the big advantage is once the wiring's in place, it's a pretty universal system," Cohen said "It grows with the industry Once in place, it doesn't have to be redone in 10 years It's a very clean, very organized approach to saying in touch with what might come about"

Cohen pegs installation costs at 50 cents to \$3 per wire foot depending on exactly what a customer wants

Stonebrooke Development offers structured wiring systems as a standard feature at The Orchards of Lyon in Lyon Township Prices of new homes there average \$250,000

"People just love it," said Pamela Robinson, sales manager "Most people know what it's about - new technology, fast speed"

Cohen meets with purchasers to custom design specific systems, she added

Buyers will demand structured wiring systems of builders as they become aware of technology's potential in the home, Struble predicted Buyers of older existing houses will want it, too, he added

"I think it's a feature that will add value to a house Just think - any room they can plug in a telephone, cable TV, computer," Struble said "Realtors can advertise it as a house technologically up to date"

Denike agrees "This is going to become the standard of the industry," he said

**Get your house literally in order**

**I enjoy entertaining but I find it very difficult to get ready for guests. The day guests are due to arrive I feel stressed and make unreasonable demands on my family and myself All the preparations are very overwhelming.**



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Getting your house ready for guests may feel like an impossible task Keep in mind your guests are coming for a visit, not to judge your housekeeping skills You are not conducting a tour through your entire house Guests may only visit a few rooms

You do not need to worry about establishing order in the garage, laundry room,

basement storage areas, bedrooms, closets, drawers, and cabinets (if you have overnight guests you may need to organize a bedroom and closet) Do not allow your lack of organization skills to keep you from extending hospitality I have listed some tips to help you get ready for guests

**Helpful Tips**  
Keep it simple Shut doors to areas that are messy Walk through your house with a laundry basket and pick-up clutter Carry the filled basket around your house putting individual items back where they belong Using the laundry basket will save you time by eliminating back and forth trips to get things

Straighten stacks of papers, books and magazines Messy stacks look cluttered Use the "hide and seek" system for loose unorganized papers Put these items in a basket or drawer to deal with later

Dust the most obvious areas You can do a thorough dusting at a later time

Use an air freshener or scented candle to give a 'welcome' aroma

Shake throw rugs by doors Vacuum areas where guests will be sitting Spot mop kitchen and bathroom floors

Clean bathroom sinks, toilets, and mirrors Hang clean hand towels and light a scented candle

The kitchen is a gathering place, therefore your guests will probably spend a large amount of time in this area. Make it shine Wipe down appliances and counter tops Clear counters of clutter and add a vase of fresh flowers

Use a small paintbrush to touch up areas that have chipped paint Do this in areas your guests will be congregating

Prepare simple meals and snacks Baked potatoes, steamed broccoli, and

chicken with a slice of cheese and mushroom soup are simple and delicious Popcorn and ice cream sundaes are easy and popular snacks You are more likely to entertain if you do not spend all day in the kitchen.

Pay your children a small fee to help you get ready Money motivates unmotivated people Relax, smile, and tell your guests to help themselves to anything they need Your warm hospitality will be remembered, not your dust bunnies

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**Four tips help in choosing right handyman**

Look under H for Home Repair How many handymen do you find? Plenty

For many homeowners, it's a guessing game to see which handymen will do the best job and who will give a fair price

Dan Sannar, owner of House Doctors, a home repair and handyman services company in the Livonia area, offers six tips to selecting the right handyman for your home repairs

**1. Check repair coverage first.** If your repairs are dam-

ages paid through insurance, review your coverage with your insurance company first It will save you time and money before signing on the handyman's dotted line

**2. Obtain three estimates or bids.** Investing the time to obtain extra bids will bring potential savings, and peace of mind

When comparing estimates, look for how much detail each company proposes for the work Also, note that prices may vary depending on quality of supplies

and tools they'll use

Above all, follow your instincts and beware of unusually low estimates

**3. Call the handyman's local references** As the boss, the homeowner can see how the handyman fared with previous customers Ask for references and see if the homeowner was satisfied with the completed work, the level of service and timeliness of the job

Ask about change orders Were there any changes required with the work, and

did the handyman willingly make the corrections?

**4. Make sure the handyman has workers' compensation and liability insurance.** Ask any lawyer If an uninsured worker injures himself or herself on your property, then you're liable to pay for medical expenses

Make sure they have their papers in order Otherwise, your homeowner's insurance policy may become your handyman's liability coverage

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## Squeeze the Day



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## So many projects, so little time

School is winding down, and so, for awhile hopefully, will the number of projects the kids bring home. Don't get me wrong. I love all of their handmade creations, especially my 3-year-old's most recent drawing of me. I look like a fetching alien with a gigantic head, big eyes and tiny stick arms and legs. My refrigerator is plastered with renderings of mermaids, animals, flowers and other original artwork from my two Picassos.

But to tell the truth, I need a break from all the projects. Every month, my first-grader brings home a new "family project." It's simple enough, really. We are asked to decorate one side of a shape made out of construction paper with items like beads, fabric, stickers, cereal, etc. (Let me say right now that whoever invented glitter should pay, and I mean pay.)

We are also instructed to include all family members in the monthly project. This involvement usually consists of big sister telling little sister not to touch anything, at which point little sister starts whining and crying that she wants to help. So big sister tells little sister she can help only if she does what she says. Dad's role usually consists of giving one tiny sequin on the nearly finished project, or walking by and remarking how nice it looks. My duties typically include locating all materials, laying down newspaper in preparation for the inevitable spills and mess to come, giving suggestions and encouragement, and, of course, cleaning everything up.

Our first successful attempt at family creativity involved transforming a blank paper doll into a Hawaiian hula dancer, complete with a skirt made from leftover plastic green grass from the previous year's Easter baskets. Since then, we've tackled the artistic challenge of decorating a pumpkin, a turkey, a Christmas tree, a snowman, a heart, a shamrock, and a rain-drop. Now, we have to do a flower.

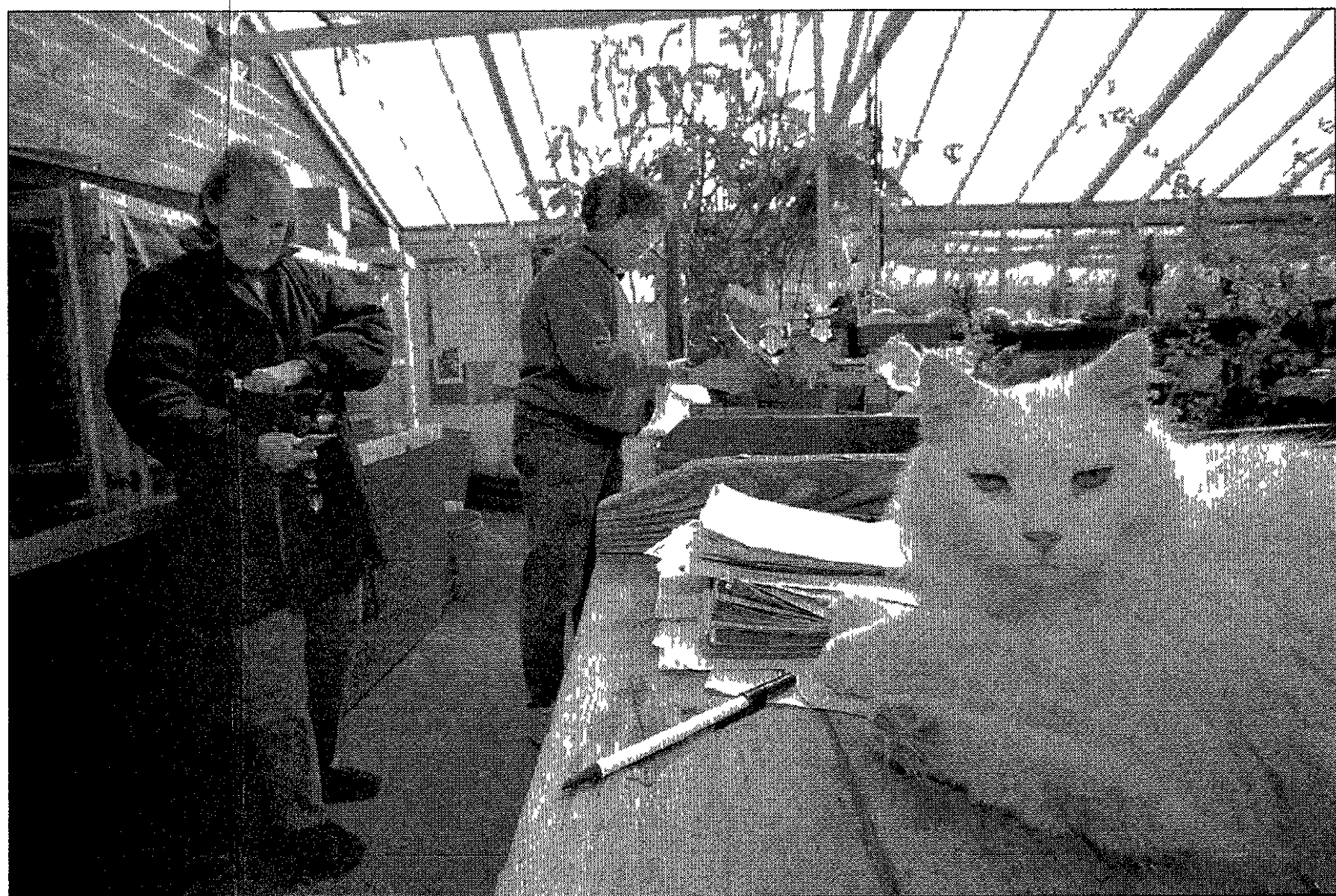
But that's just for starters. There are many more projects. In March, for example, my daughter brought home instructions for three required school projects in one week. In addition to decorating a shamrock for the monthly project, she had to decorate a Mardi Gras mask and make a "leprechaun trap" to bring to school on St. Patrick's Day.

"I looked at my husband. 'You do the leprechaun trap with her,' I told him point blank. 'I may be creative, but I draw the line when projects become mechanical in nature. Even if they only require first-grade mechanical skills.'

Then I can't forget the biggest project of the school year. It was the "100 Day" project. Students had to make something, anything they wanted, out of 100 things and bring it on the 100th day of school. I had saved some Popsicle sticks and helped fifteen count them out. Then she spent days painting them vibrant colors before my husband helped her glue them together in the shape of flowers.

I have to admit, seeing the proud look of accomplishment on her face made it all worthwhile. (And it even made me almost forget my mad dash to Michael's in a desperate search for a green Styrofoam base.)

PLEASE SEE PROJECTS, C9



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Customer Marge Najarian of Plymouth digs in her purse as Alyce rings up the sale. The white cat, who has no name, watches over the greenhouse from a countertop.

## Sights & Smells

## Local greenhouse and horticulturist's heaven offers both

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY  
CORRESPONDENT

If your eyes were closed, you might not know where you were. There's the smell of apple, orange, lemon, lime, apricot, ginger, cinnamon and hazelnut. A bakery? A candle shop?

Open your eyes and you'll discover that you're in a greenhouse. These scents and more, including the sweet smell of an

abundance of flowers and plants (there are almost a thousand different varieties), are found at Graye's Greenhouse in Plymouth Township.

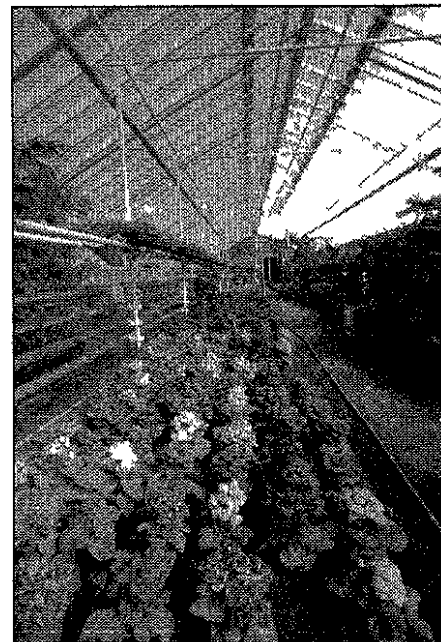
With matriarch Sylvia Graye, age 87, at the helm and her daughter, Alyce Humphrey, serving as second-in-command, the greenhouse has provided customers with basic flower and vegetable stock, as well as exotic and rare plants for more than 40 years.

### RICH HISTORY

Graye's father bought 20 acres of farmland at the corner of Joy and Lilley roads in 1928 to grow vegetable stock to sell to truck farmers. His then 10-year-old daughter so enjoyed working on the land that it became her lifelong work and passion.

The diminutive Graye, who has been a widow for 20 years, continues to work every day, seven days a week, in the greenhouse along with her daughter, a former fourth-grade teacher, and other family members, including her son and daughter-in-law, Joe (an engineer who keeps the greenhouse operating) and Connie Graye. There's also Alyce's husband, Richard Humphrey, who joined the team four years ago when he retired after 31 years as a science and horticulture teacher, the last 16 years at Belleville High School (Graye's other daughter, Mary Ann, and her husband have two farms in Dundee and raise cut flowers).

"I've watched this area grow over the years. As a child, my two brothers, three sisters and I would sit outside on Sundays and write down the license plate numbers of the cars that came down our dirt road," said Graye with a twinkle in her eyes and a smile on her face. "We were lucky if there were six cars all day. Now the roads are no longer dirt, there are hundreds of cars



Rows upon rows of flower varieties are available at Graye's

and they go by so fast, you can't read the numbers."

### ON THE GO

Graye doesn't have time these days to watch the traffic. Her tasks include potting the seedlings (she can plant 100 small pots in an hour), taking care of customers, and going up and down the long rows and watering the plants. She hits the clay pots with the head of the hose to determine if a plant needs water.

"If it thunks (makes a dull sound when the pot is hit), it has drunk, if it thunks, it needs a drink" is how she determines which plants need water.

Knowing just how much water is needed is an art, especially since the greenhouse offers so many kinds of plants with different requirements.

"My mother is amazing," said Humphrey. "Over the years, she has

PLEASE SEE GREENHOUSE, C6



Alyce Graye prunes flowers in the greenhouse.

## Children's International Summer Village promotes peace

BY SUSAN STEINMUELLER  
STAFF WRITER

When Andrew Counihan was 11, he spent a month in Luxembourg making friends and having fun with others his age from 14 different countries.

But he can't remember any differences between them. "Everybody was friends with everybody. We used to go on scavenger hunts and play soccer all the time," said Andrew, 15, of Bloomfield Township and a student at the International Academy in Bloomfield Township.

That's what Children's International Summer Villages Inc. founder Dr. Doris Allen of Cincinnati had in mind when she started the program in 1951, said Andrew's mom, Mary. CISV

began with a four-week international "village" in which "delegations" of four 11-year-olds from different countries spent two weeks together becoming friends and getting to know one another's cultures.

Doris believed that most travel experiences for children start too late after many prejudices are already formed," said Mary. "For some reason, she felt that 11 was the perfect age."

CISV is based on the premise that peace is possible if individuals and groups can learn to live together as friends.

### 'HIDDEN SECRET'

Over the years, the nonprofit non-political, and volunteer-run CISV has grown and branched out into several different programs, in which 58 nations are



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

"This is something really special," says Andrew Counihan (right), with brother Michael, about Children's International Summer Villages.

regular participants. They include a summer camp for 15-year-olds. Andrew also attended, this time in Denmark.

Andrew's brother, Michael, a

University of Michigan student, last summer worked in a CISV refugee camp in Bergen, Norway, helping Norwegian and refugee children to be friends.

before they attended school together in the fall.

This summer, Michael will lead a U.S. delegation going to a CISV village for 11-year-olds in Sweden. Leaders go through extensive local and national training. His delegation will include Tae Su Yi of Bloomfield Hills, Kendal Snow of Lavonia, and Chrsta Hooper and Kayla Marantette, both of Rochester.

CISV is a great organization that not enough people know about, said Mary.

"It's really popular in some countries, such as Scandinavia. Here, it's kind of a hidden secret."

The program is run by volunteers, so costs are low, she said. A four-week program overseas is about \$2,000, which includes

PLEASE SEE VILLAGE, C11



# With a capital 'C' Mother of the year cites sons' courage in battles with muscular dystrophy

BY JONI HUBRED  
STAFF WRITER

Dorothy Cencer's eyes still well up a little when she talks about her boys. But the mother of seven, who buried five of her sons more than 20 years ago, is just as quick to laugh about their antics and express pride in their accomplishments. They were, after all, typical boys who rooted for Detroit sports teams and kept a menagerie of pets over the years - including a pair of goldfish named "Fish" and "Chips."

Only one thing made five of the seven Cencer boys different from other children. They were diagnosed with muscular dystrophy, a disease that slowly robbed them of their mobility and eventually took their lives. "Had we known, we probably would have seen the symptoms sooner," said Dorothy, who has been named Michigan Right to Life-Lifespans Mother of the Year. "But maybe it's good we didn't, because there was nothing to be done for it anyway."

## SYMPTOMS

Dorothy and her husband, Tom, have been married 51 years, 30 of which were spent in Livonia. Their first child, Richard, was born in 1953.

David was born in 1954, Steven in 1955, Thomas in 1956, Timothy in 1958, Ronald in 1960.

By the time Kenneth came along in 1963, they had gotten the news that would transform their lives.

"In our case, they said it was incompatible genes," Dorothy recalled. "We didn't notice anything for the first few years. And when they said muscular dystrophy 'wow'."

Steve, who now works security for Saint Joseph Mercy Health Systems, and Tom, a dentist in Rochester, were spared the disease.

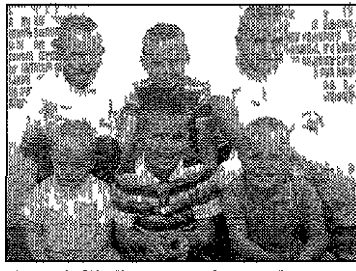
Of the others, Rick, who lived the longest, was diagnosed first. David was the first to die.

The earliest indications came when they were babies. The boys wouldn't crawl like healthy children, but dragged themselves along "commando" style. Over time, muscle weakness spread from their feet and legs upward, until they had trouble breathing and swallowing.

By the time each of the five turned 9, they were in wheelchairs. Dorothy recalled having to carry her sons, get them dressed in the morning and into their wheelchairs.

Because accommodations for people with disabilities weren't as common in the 1950s and 1960s, Dorothy would go to school with the boys and carry them up and down stairs or bring a urinal to school for them.

A small, thin woman, she found strength in the three



(From left) The seven Cencer boys (back row) Dave, Steve, Rick (holding Kenny), (front) Ron, Tom and Tim

things she says got her family through very trying times: faith, family togetherness and a sense of humor.

Tim, for instance, was the "lost child." Twice, the family accidentally left him behind. "And you know it's three strikes and you're out," Dorothy said with a laugh.

When the Detroit Tigers won the World Series in 1968, the boys weren't able to attend the game, so the Livonia Kiwanis brought them caps and balloons and everyone watched the game at the Cencer house.

Afterward, I loaded up the boys in the van and we drove around the neighborhood to celebrate," Dorothy said.

## THE ESSAY

Some kids would shy away, unsure how to relate to children with disabilities. Steve Kowalski, who lived two doors down, remembers playing with Kenny years ago. Now 38 and a reporter for the *Oxford Eccentric*, Kowalski still feels the impact on his life of growing up around such an extraor-

inary family.

"Though Kenny couldn't run faster or jump higher than the rest of the boys on the block, just making these movements made him feel part of the gang," Kowalski recently wrote. "Even climbing basement stairs with Kenny was fun. Kenny's leg muscles started deteriorating and weren't strong enough to walk up so he'd crawl on all fours. I would imitate him - anything to turn stair climbing into an adventure."

As Kenny's leg muscles weakened, however, he wasn't able to keep up with his playmate. Kowalski admits he did what other 5-year-olds would probably do when a playmate couldn't keep up: He found other playmates.

"Well, while I was abandoning Kenny as a friend, his mother, Dorothy Cencer, never left his side," Kowalski wrote. "We live in an era in which women choose to abort babies who are considered an 'inconvenience.' The Cencers were open to life even though chances were their next offspring may not be perfect in man's eyes. They always trusted, however, that all babies are perfect in God's eyes."

His essay is the reason Dorothy will be honored at the May 6 Right to Life-Lifespans Mother's Day Award Dinner.

## COURAGE

While she's looking forward to being reunited with the Kowalskis and other family and friends, Dorothy remains a very

shy, modest person. While others might look upon her as a "super Mom," she sees her sons as the true heroes.

"They had courage with a capital 'C,'" she said proudly. "It was not one big tragedy. It was just part of it."

Rick, for instance, remained committed to attending college, even though he was gravely ill. He received his diploma from Franklin High School while a patient at St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

When David died, Rick asked his mother to bring one of his high school graduation photos, which he left in his brother's casket. The note he inscribed read: "Think of me often, Dave. Help me to go as far as I can."

Eight months later, just days after reminding his mother to make sure he was enrolled at Schoolcraft College, Rick followed his brother. Dorothy believes her boys took some comfort knowing they had family members waiting for them in heaven, including their grandfather, who passed away in 1969.

The boys didn't bicker among themselves, and no one ever expressed resentment toward the two healthy children. While facing the prospect of death, their minds were sharp and their spirits remained high.

The toughest days happened just before each boy had to go from walking under his own power to wheelchairs. They'd adjust quickly, though, getting a new wheelchair got to be like getting a new car.

Dorothy has high praise for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. "Muscular Dystrophy was great to us. The only thing they didn't come up with was a cure, and they were working on that."

A mother who believes firmly that every child deserves a natural birth and a natural death, Dorothy was grateful her sons didn't have to endure the trauma of feeding tubes, each was able to feed himself until the last.

"I think the Lord was good to our sons," she said. "We thank God for allowing us to be their parents. I consider it a compliment we got to take care of them."

After Kenny passed away, Dorothy started caring for her ailing mother-in-law. The Cencers moved to North Carolina for nine years, where Tom enjoyed golfing and Dorothy racked up 6,900 volunteer hours and earned the North Carolina Governor's Award. The couple moved back to Michigan, settling in Farmington Hills to be closer to their six grandchildren.

In no way, shape or form does Dorothy take on the demeanor of someone who feels sorry about a past filled with challenges, loss and no small measure of sadness. On the contrary, she considers herself a full seven times blessed by children who filled her life and heart with love.

"It was great," she said, smiling broadly. "It just didn't last long enough."

## GREENHOUSE

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learned just by doing and knows what every plant needs. This can often be a trial-by-error thing because we're always getting new and different plants. We try to add to our stock, including novelty plants, to give our customers what they want.

This desire to please customers has resulted in a greenhouse filled with eight different shamrock varieties,

especially for collectors, five different basil plants, and hundreds of cactuses and succulent plants, just to name a few of the stock items. It also has one of the largest assortments of scented geraniums available in the area. (This is why the greenhouse has all those fruit and spice scents.)

Scented geraniums - the leaves carry the scent - have been around for hundreds of years, according to Richard Humphrey. In Victorian times women put pots of these plants on the floor around their homes. If the rooms began to smell stale, they would sweep

their long skirts over the plants to release the scents," he said. "These served as natural air fresheners."

These geraniums, most of which have a small pink flower, and an assortment of other age-old plants is the reason that Greenfield Village horticulturists and others interested in replicating history are regular Graye Greenhouse customers.

But we don't just cater to the needs of these customers. We sell to everyone and offer stock plants and seasonal items, such as spring flowers for Easter, said Alyce Humphrey.

## OFFERING THE UNUSUAL

Also available for customers is the opportunity to see a large and rare plant that long ago became imbedded in the greenhouse's floor. It's a night-blooming cereus, also known as The Queen of the Night, which blooms usually only one night a year during the summer season.

It produces a large cream-colored blossom that begins to open after dark and then is done blooming before the sun comes up the next morning, said Humphrey. "The blossom is so rare that

we have a list of customers who want to be called to watch the flower bloom."

This special attention is why Graye's continues to thrive.

"We consider our customers our family and we want to do our best for them. Also, we want everyone to feel at home when they come through our greenhouse doors," she added.

Graye's Greenhouse, located on the northeast corner of Lley and Joy roads, is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. For information call (734) 453-1220.

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You can tell by her enthusiasm that she really likes to teach. Every day she comes into the classroom smiling.

She is extremely nice to everybody in her classes. She helps everybody with their questions. When she talks to me I feel like I can trust her."

Daniel wrapped up his nomination with another example of what a super teacher and caring person Ann Cole is at Derby: "A boy in my class usually wears contacts. One day he wore glasses and Mrs. Cole said how much she like them. The next day she came in wearing her own glasses and said to him, 'You inspired me!'"

Congratulations Ann Cole of Derby Middle School in Birmingham Public Schools and an *Observer & Eccentric* Feature Teacher for April.

*Mary Griffard*

Mary Griffard, seventh and eighth grade social studies teacher at West Middle School in the Plymouth Canton School District was nominated for Feature Teacher in April by "all her fans." Both present and past students took the time to honor Mary Griffard for her dedication to students. "She deserves a blue ribbon, a trophy or medal," wrote Natasha Seppala. The *Observer & Eccentric* is pleased to honor Mary Griffard as Teacher of the month for April. Griffard has logged some 30 years in the teaching profession and her nominators say she's "the very best."

"I've never had a teacher so involved and so dedicated to the class, it's her life. Her teaching is state of the art," wrote Natasha Seppala.

"She has a great passion for the work and she shared that with us. All of us couldn't wait to get into that class. She trained us to think, to actually turn on the light bulb. Soon our discussions became rich with intellect, thought and ideas. Everyone was involved, everyone has something to say," wrote Natasha.

"She has high expectations for us. We had to do good work and we did. We have thanked her a dozen times for being a great teacher but she deserves an award. She has been doing this for kids for 30 years - molding us to love the world, respect people, do our best and have sudden urges to read history books."

"Her methods work," added Natasha.

The *Observer & Eccentric* Newspapers congratulates Mary Griffard for her dedication to students and her commitment to quality public education. Congratulation Mary Griffard of West Middle School, an O&E Featured Teacher for the Month of April.



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BE MY SWEETHEART 20y old attractive single white female faze eyes ong hair 5'4 145 lbs loves reading bow ng fshng moves an mals and dining out Seek ng sng wht male 20 to 25 non smoke non dinke fo a ong term eationship Oakland County Ad# 403985

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READY TO SETTLE DOWN 29 yr old single white mother of one full figured 5'9 auburn hair brown eyes Enjoys camping country music playing cards NASCAR quiet evenings at home Seeks family man 30 to 45 over 5'9 non smoker who is ready to settle down and enjoy family life Ad# 403930

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IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE White Christian female attractive enjoys playing board games writing gospel music singing dining out movies sports classic cars dressing up like a lady Seeks down to earth Christian gentleman 35 to 53 non smoker non drinker no head games Ad# 403917

LOOKING FOR YOU 22 yr old single African American female mother of one non smoker Enjoys shopping movies long walks in the park Seeks non smoker ng male children ok Ad# 403924

JUST WHAT YOU NEED Single female brown skin 136 lbs 5'4 works out looks good s honest Loves music walks antiques and having fun Seeks honest man who is not afraid to share himself Ad# 403972

LOOKING FOR YOU 21 yr old black female brown skin smoker likes musc reading movies Seeks intelligent honest loyal good looking carng male 25 to 35 prefers smoker Ad# 403919

MOTIVATED WOMAN 27 yrs old DWF 27 looking for a quality guy Interests include my kids playing cards going for a walk and dancing I like to go out but also just stay home and talk I am caring and a good listener I feel honest open communication s the key to a good relationship Ad# 395097

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I'LL MAKE YOUR DAY 45 yr old female non smoker 5'8 medium build fit romantic Enjoys working out outdoors Looking for non smoking male who's health conscious enjoys working out For long term relationship Ad# 403891

DON'T BE SHY 37 yr old white female employed plus size 5'2 enjoys moves outings sporting events family get together Seeks employed tall male 27 to 47 who can make her laugh non drinker preferred Ad# 403878

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WAITING TO MEET YOU 5'9 blue eyed SWM 44 who is active but sometimes shy Hs hobbies are rollerblading biking working out etc Seeking a SWF 18 50 who is physically fit and out doorsy Ad# 415904

TRUSTWORTHY SBM 26 64 muscular outgoing and lovng Enjoys sports travel movies and more Seeking a SAF under 41 who is goal oriented honest fun loving and dedicated Ad# 415847

DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH Attractive DWM 39 6 220lbs reddish blonde hair blue eyes interests include dining boating concerts Mich gang football and movies Seeking an attractive SWF size 10 20 who has a great sense of humor 30 45 let's share the summer together Ad# 402353

READY? SBM 33 63 200lbs is a smoker and a S/D Enjoys a wide variety of interests Seeking a SWF 30 39 who is intelligent goal oriented and honest Ad# 415694

MUST BE HONEST SBM 41 tall attractive warm and friendly Enjoys sports reading walking the outdoors and more Seeking a SBF 25 46 who is honest healthy and goal oriented Ad# 415539

COULD IT BE U? SBM 41 tall and has 3 years of schooling Seeking a SBF 28 45 who is fun loving enjoys dining walking and more Ad# 415534

DOWN TO EARTH SWM 45 180lbs 6 blond hair blue eyes healthy fit and humorous Enjoys time with my sons musc biking sports animals dining and more Seeking a SWF 40 48 who is a Christian humorous fit warm hearted and loving Ad# 415445

LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU SWM 36 who is hoping to meet a foreign female 18 44 He is 6'2 with a great sense of humor and very friendly Likes traveling and dining out Ad# 415384

GIVE HIM A CALL SWM 30 who is looking for a SWF 18 40 to spend quality time with and to enjoy life with Ad# 415154

PROFESSIONAL SWM 53 N/S S/D 5'11 brown hair blue eyes honest and humorous Enjoys working out the outdoors boating sunsets cooking dining and more Seeking a SWF 40 50 who is a professional attractive humorous and enjoys similar interests Ad# 415056

FUN LOVING SNAM 27 5'10 210lbs brown hair blue eyes shy at first and friendly Enjoys cars sports going out with friends and more Seeking a SNAF 22 27 for a friendship first Ad# 415003

DEDICATED SBM 40 6 195lbs S/D outgoing and friendly He enjoys sports the outdoors and more Seeking a SWF 31 45 who is honest employed and likes children Ad# 414996

CHEMISTRY SWM 42 5'10 190lbs fit brown hair fun loving laid back and humorous Enjoys animals music working out biking boating concerts dining and more Seeking a SWF 35 50 who is fit kind hearted fun loving and enjoys the same interests Ad# 414977

JUST BELIEVE SBM 23 6 dark complexion and h's personality is considered friendly Seeking a SBF under 30 who goes to Church is mature and ready for a long lasting relationship Ad# 414950

HONEST & CARING SWM 48 5'2 135lbs friendly and kind Enjoys working out dining movies sports and more Seeking a SWF 35 51 who is caring goal oriented health conscious and enjoys the same Ad# 414924

IS IT YOU? SWM 37 6'1 205lbs blond hair with blue eyes is fit and active Seeking a SF 25 45 who is fit and attractive Ad# 414915

POSITIVE ATTITUDE SWM 40 father of 2 secure fit N/S 5'9 180lbs Enjoys travel biking sports and dancing Seeking a SWF 30 44 who is honest sincere and down to earth Ad# 414882

DEPENDABLE Would you like to meet this happy SWM 46 5'2? He enjoys the outdoors and animals and is seeking a caring happy and honest SWF 35 50 Ad# 414826

GENUINE Honest energetic loyal warm hearted and passionate SWM young looking people say I look 31 but I'm really 51 I enjoy reading gardening and sports I can offer honest and compassion to a intelligent SWF over 18 who is beautiful inside/out Ad# 414613

LET'S SEE SWM 37 seeking an attractive SF 22 45 to start as friends and see where it goes Ad# 414601

FUTURE FRIEND Hello I am a financially secure fit SWM 70 Now that I am retired from GM I have more time for fine dining traveling casino trips and more I'd like to meet an attractive non smoking SWF 55 65 for a long term relationship Ad# 414493

BODY BUILDER Humorous SWM 36 6'2 well built seeking a muscular fit SF over 25 Ad# 407684

TIME IS NOW Attractive SWM 36 enjoys sports concerts movies and traveling seeking a SF under 45 5'7 + Ad# 407686

NO GAMES HERE Meet this fun good hearted SBM 32 who likes kids movies and going out Seeking a full figured brown or red haired SWF under 50 Ad# 414113

FOR REAL Down to earth SBM 54 who enjoys chess working out and sports Looking for a attractive fit SF 23 55 who is open and independent Ad# 414084

LOVE TO MEET YOU Independent fit SWM 37 who loves the outdoors s seeking a SWF 30 40 with similar interests to share the simple things in life Ad# 414029

YOUR WISH IS MY COM MAND SWM 48 6'1 220lbs blond hair enjoys movies dancing concerts wll try any adventure once Looking for a SWF height/weight proportionate 35 47 for dating or possibly more Ad# 413955

HONEST AND FUN 24 yrs old I'm 24 years old looking for someone to hang out with at first and take things easy I enjoy the outdoors movies physical activity being with friends Looking for an 18 40 yr old female with similar interest with or without kids Ad# 408854

HI Outgoing fun to be around SBM 45 6'2 198lbs who enjoys sports reading travel and cuddling at home Seeking a fun loving SWF 36 41 who wants to be treated like a lady Ad# 413919

NOT YOUR AVERAGE Financially secure SWM 70 6 who is seeking an attractive SWF 55 65 non smoker for a long term relationship Ad# 413859

ALL MY HEART Honest caring SBM 26 6'1 who enjoys basketball movies and much more Seeking a caring sincere SF over 18 Ad# 413815

ONE ON ONE Good looking non smoker/drinker SWM 31 seeking a loving respectful full figured SWF over 31 who is looking for a SERIOUS loving relationship Ad# 413641

SPONTANEOUS SWM 48 who is seeking a SWF 40 50 He enjoys the outdoors cars kids the water and more Ad# 411496

LOYALTY SBM 34 5'7 brown eyes black hair heavy build fun loving and easygoing Enjoys sports movies quiet evenings at home dining and more Seeking a SF 21 50 who is fun loving honest pretty kind hearted and open minded Ad# 412856

SEARCHING SBM 42 has 3 years of schooling Seeking a SF over 25 who is down to earth and outgoing Ad# 412374

FUN LOVING SWM 44 social drinker has 5 years of schooling Seeking a SWF 35 50 who enjoys good times the beach dining movies and more Ad# 411615

STOP LOOK & CALL! DWM 49 medium build Enjoys the outdoors home cooking and more Seeking a SWF 45 52 who is seeking a long term relationship Serious replies only no games please Ad# 411537

HELLO SBM 30 5'7 185lbs Enjoys sports cars reading movies music and more Seeking a SBF under 45 who is easygoing open honest and loving Ad# 411134

RELIABLE SWM 51 blue eyes brown hair easygoing and pleasant Enjoys bowling horse races casinos and more Seeking a SWM 46 56 who is well adjusted old fashioned and kind hearted to share life with Ad# 410114

NO DEPENDENTS SWM 52 N/S S/D 5'11 brown hair blue eyes 198lbs Enjoys the outdoors fitness dining movies theater and more Seeking a SWF under 52 who is a professional affectionate and humorous Ad# 406684

BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN Born again SWM 30 6 240lbs with brown hair/eyes enjoys walking working out and swimming seeking a godly SWF 24-42 Ad# 406576

TIRED OF BEING ALONE SWM 49 hard working 5'8 175lbs Seeking a SWF 45 48 who is easygoing intelligent and fit Ad# 406401

COMMITTED SNAM 55 5'11 210lbs brown hair blue eyes Seeking a SWF under 55 who is petite slim loyal honest and true who enjoys motorcycles music the outdoors and more Ad# 406233

SEARCHING SWM 35 5'11 158lbs fit Enjoys skating sports boat ing concerts and more Seeking a SWF 28 37 who has similar interests Ad# 406204

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ARE YOU OUT THERE? 41 yrs old I am an active single guy I am looking for that athletic woman that would like to be involved in scuba flying camping boating and any other activity that can provide fun Ad# 382789

MR RIGHT 30 yrs old E mail me to find a new discovery!! Ad# 404851

FUN & FRIENDLY SWM 44 brown hair blue eyes fun interesting and assertive Enjoys playing guitar riding my motorcycle concerts movies and more Seeking a SWF 34 45 who is fun humorous out spoken warm caring generous and has a nice smile Ad# 409214

EASY TO TALK TO! Single white male 45 6'2 209lbs muscular athletic brown hair blue eyes clean cut degree never married no dependents outgoing personality enjoys rollerblading working out etc Seeks a friendly single female acquaintance open Wayne County Ad# 404066

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DEDICATED SWF 34 5'4 reddish brown hair hazel eyes funny interesting and humorous Enjoys camping karaoke bowling walking and more Seeking a SWM 26 44 who is strong humorous respectful true and romantic Ad# 415569

DELIGHTFUL SWF 60 5'6 blonde hair 135lbs N/S En



**PROJECT**

FROM PAGE C5

Even little Erin brings projects home from preschool. I had to help her make a "Me and my family" poster by assembling a collage of photos. We also had to look through magazines and cut out pictures for the "What do people wear" project and the "What do people eat" project. Besides gluing the pictures, she gave the projects finishing decorative touches with markers and glitter glue. (If there's one thing I've learned when it comes to projects, it's that kids like "sparkly" things.)

Now, all these projects are good for kids, I know. Nothing can replace hands-on work for promoting their creativity and self-esteem. And I know these

projects are also meant to promote bonding between parents and their children. And they have. It's just that when you add homework and all the rigors of daily life into the equation, tackling project after project can be a bit tiresome at times. Not only that, but we have our own never-ending home maintenance and home improvement projects to deal with. Sometimes it's just overwhelming to think of all the projects we have to do around here and all the school projects we'll be doing with the kids for years to come.

I guess when you come right down to it, life is one big project. We, ourselves, are all works in progress, so to speak. But it sure would be nice just to do nothing for awhile.

Lynn Waldsmith Pawlik can be reached at pawwald@comcast.net

**Former Plymouth teen librarian wins state honor**

Ann Arbor District Library Youth Department Manager Eva Davis has received the Francis Pletz Teen Librarian of the Year award from the Michigan Library Association. The award was presented at the MLAs Teen Services Division's annual conference last week in Novi, Michigan. The award honors a librarian for outstanding service to teens.

Davis is the former teen services librarian for the Plymouth District Library.

She is this year's award recipient for her outstanding work with state and local professional associations in Michigan to

advocate for and promote teen services in public libraries, as well as for her work on the job in her role as teen and youth librarian," MLA officials said.

The Frances H. Pletz Award was established by the Teen Services Division of the Michigan Library Association in 1978.

It is an annual award given to an individual who has made a significant contribution in the field of library service to teens.

The award is named after Frances H. Pletz, a former executive director of the Michigan Library Association,

because of her staunch support of teen services in Michigan. Those who know Fran personally associate her name with excellence.

As teen services librarian in Plymouth she introduced teen magazines, comics/graphic novels and teen non-fiction collections to the library, insti-

tuted regular teen programming, including craft programs, afternoon movies, book discussions and summer reading for middle and high school students, improved the library's relationships with local public and private schools, and started a teen advisory board.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
FY 2003 CDBG ACTION PLAN/  
CONSOLIDATED PLAN  
30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
PUBLIC HEARING**

Beginning May 1, 2003 and for 30 days thereafter public comment will be accepted on the FY 2003 Canton Charter Township Action Plan/Consolidated Plan. The Action Plan is part of the Consolidated Plan (mandated in 24 CFR Parts 91.92, 570.574, 578 and 968 (August 5, 1994/Proposed Rules) which replaces the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS). The Action Plan will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the Community Services Division office, 44237 Michigan Avenue, Canton, Michigan 48188. Comments received during the review period will be answered in writing and appended to the Consolidated Plan. The Action Plan must be submitted to the Department of HUD no later than May 15, 2003. The FY 2003 Action Plan and the Consolidated Plan stipulate that the expansion of the Human Services Center is the primary Plan priority. The Plan is otherwise consistent with previous community consolidated plans. A new Action Plan/Consolidated Plan option is to support affordable housing creation through the purchase of lots which can be developed for affordable single family homes. Canton Township when appropriate and after diligent review will support applications by outside agencies to the Department of HUD for non public housing funds to alleviate the housing/support needs of low and moderate income residents and others who meet relevant federal criteria for housing need. There are no homeless in Canton Township supported by census data and the problem will not develop during the Plan period. Canton Township certifies that it will affirmatively further fair housing and that it is in compliance with a residential anti displacement and relocation assistance plan as required and provided under Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

One May 13, 2003 the Board of Trustees at its regularly scheduled meeting at 7 p.m., 46000 Summit Parkway will hold a public hearing to approve the FY 2003 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programming recommendations of the Canton CDBG Advisory Council, adopted at the Council public hearing of March 19, 2003. First Step \$36,900. Growth Works \$8,800. Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services \$10,000. HelpSource, \$1,500. Volunteer Coordinator \$6,500. Summit Scholarship Program, \$1,500. Human Services Center Construction \$275,000 (multi year). Purchase of Lots for Affordable Housing \$8,600. Program Administration \$87,200. Total \$436,000.

Questions or comments may be directed to the Community Services Division at the above address or (734) 394-5194.

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TERRY BENNETT Clerk

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON  
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA  
MAY 8, 2003**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held in the Chestnut Room at the Summit on the Park located at 46000 SUMMIT PARKWAY, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag

Roll Call: Randy Blaylock, Jim Cisek, Cathy Johnson, Phyllis Redfern and Steven Johnson

Acceptance of Agenda

1. Richard Hartigan of Schonsheck Inc. 51331 W Pontiac Trail, Wixom, MI 48393 representing U S Storage Depot 51331 W Pontiac Trail, Wixom 48393. Property located on south side of Michigan Avenue between Beck Rd and Denton.

a. Requesting variance to Section 6.02 (M) subparagraph 5 of the Zoning Code to eliminate the requirement for a resident manager for a mini warehouse facility.

b. Requesting variance to Section 8 (A) of the Fence Ordinance to allow a fence to be located in the front yard area to enclose the mini warehouse facility.

Parcel # 128 99 0005 701 (Planning)

2. Tracey Huff of Graphic Visions Inc. 16857 Northville Road, Northville, MI 48167 representing Scott Salzeider of Singh Homes, Tottenham Subdivision, 7125 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield, MI 48325 is requesting a variance for property between Michigan Avenue and Palmer Road on Lilley. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 6.2 off premise temporary sign requirements.

Parcel # 102 04 0000 000 (Building) RESCHEDULED FROM APRIL 10, 2003 MEETING

3. Michael K. Darling of RunTime Computer Corporation 42040 Koppernick Suite 405, Canton, MI 48187 representing Michael K. Darling of RunTime Computer Corporation 42040 Koppernick Suite 405, Canton, MI 48187. Property located on east side of Lilley Road between Joy and Warren. The ordinance being applied is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 9.9.1 wall sign location.

Parcel # 008 990001 709 (Building)

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR THE  
LOTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE  
IMPROVEMENTS  
(MICHIGAN AVENUE, SOUTH TO  
APPROXIMATELY 1,660 LINEAL FEET)  
LOTZ ROAD PAVING AND DRAINAGE  
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT 2003-2  
Charter Township of Canton  
County of Wayne, State of Michigan**

TO THE OWNERS OF ALL LOTS AND PARCELS OF PROPERTY ABUTTING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY Lotz Road from Michigan Avenue South approximately 1,660 lineal feet)

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WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of Act 188 of the Public Act of 1954, this Board has initiated proceedings relating to paving and drainage improvements to benefit the areas described in herein and to accomplish this improvement and secure funds therefore by creating said premises into a special assessment district against which there shall be levied special assessments, and

WHEREAS this Board having tentatively declared its intention to make such improvements and tentatively designated the above described premises as a special assessment district against which the cost of said improvement is to be assessed and

WHEREAS the Township Board has caused to be prepared plans showing the public improvements, the location thereof and an estimate of the cost thereof which have been filed with the Township Clerk, Canton Township, Michigan for public examination

Take further notice that the property owners included in the special assessment district have the right to appeal the special assessment levy to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. In order to protest the levy an appearance by the property owner by mail, or by an agent of the property owner must be made at the public hearing where the roll is confirmed.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet on Tuesday the 13th day of May, 2003 at 7 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Chestnut Room, Canton, Michigan to hear objections to the public improvements and to the special assessment district thereof.

ACT 188, PUBLIC ACTS OF MICHIGAN, 1954, AS AMENDED, PROVIDES THAT SAID PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS SHALL NOT BE MADE WITHOUT PETITION IF THE RECORD OWNERS OF LAND CONSTITUTING MORE THAN TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF THE TOTAL LAND AREA IN THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FILE THEIR WRITTEN OBLIGATIONS THERETO WITH THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AT OR BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY THE 13th DAY OF MAY 2003.

TERRY G. BENNETT Township Clerk

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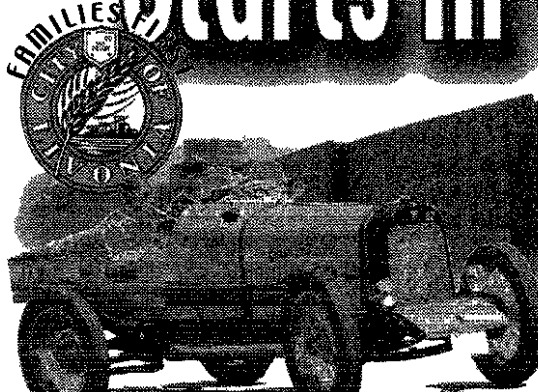


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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - APRIL 22, 2003

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday April 22, 2003 at 46000 Summit Parkway Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

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

Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as submitted Motion carried unanimously

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Regular Board Minutes of April 8, 2003 Motion carried with 1 abstention by Shefferly Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Joint Study Session of the Board of Trustees and the Planning Commission Minutes of April 15, 2003 Motion carried unanimously

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

Table with 3 columns: Fund Name, Amount, Total. Rows include General Fund, Fire Fund, Police Fund, etc.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C1. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak, to approve the filling of the vacancy in the Alternate Member category representing the Royal Holiday Senior Club, with Eileen McCallum for a term to expire December 31, 2003

Item C2. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak, to remove from the table and adopt Ordinance 100(C) Repeal of the Massage Ordinance This Ordinance will be published in the Canton Observer on May 1, 2003

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Ordinance 100(c) Repeal of Massage Establishment/Message Technician Licensing Ordinance

(effective May 1, 1980, amend eff December 22, 1994 amend eff February 23, 1995, repealed eff May 1, 2003)

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON MESSAGE ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO 100(B), PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO 100(B), PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS

72.101 SECTION 1. REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 100. This section provides that Ordinance No 100 the Charter Township of Canton Massage Ordinance, be and is hereby repealed

72.102 SECTION 2. REPEAL. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect

72.103 SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. Should any provision or section of this ordinance be held invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining provision or sections

72.104 SECTION 4. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law

72.105 SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. The Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as required

Item C3. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak, to remove from the table and adopt the new Massage Ordinance No 155 This Ordinance will become effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on May 1, 2003

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Massage Ordinance No. 155

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PROVIDING FOR THE DEFINITION OF TERMS, PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MESSAGE PERMIT REQUIREMENT, PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTIONS, PROVIDING FOR REGULATION OF THE BUSINESS OF MESSAGE, PROVIDING FOR AN APPLICATION AND LICENSE PROCESS, PROVIDING FOR A MESSAGE PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF LICENSES AND PERMITS, PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL/DENIAL OF AN APPLICATION, PROVIDING FOR POSTING OF LICENSES, RECORDS OF EMPLOYEES REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF LICENSES, RENEWAL OF LICENSES, REVOCATION OF MESSAGE PERMITS, PROVIDING FOR FACILITIES NECESSARY AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS OF A MESSAGE ESTABLISHMENT, PROHIBITING PERSONS OF AGE EIGHTEEN OR UNDER AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, PROVIDING FOR THE HOURS OF OPERATION, INSPECTIONS, PROHIBITING UNLAWFUL ACTS, TRANSFERS OF LICENSES, CHANGE OF LOCATION OR NAME OF LICENSEE, PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES, REPEAL, OR SEVERABILITY, PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE, PROVIDING FOR THE APPLICABILITY OF THE REGULATION TO EXISTING PERMITS, LICENSES, PERSONS OR BUSINESSES AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCES MAKING UP THE PRIOR CHAPTER 14 MESSAGE REGULATION OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE OF ORDINANCES

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS

73.001 SECTION 1. Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "MESSAGE ORDINANCE"

73.002 SECTION 2. Definitions. For the purpose of the provisions of this Chapter, the following words and phrases shall be construed to have the meanings herein set forth, unless it is apparent from the context that a different meaning is intended

- (a) Employee - Any person other than a massagist, who renders any service in connection with the operation of a massage business and receives compensation from the operator of the business or patrons including a leased employee or subcontractor
(b) Licensee The person to whom a license has been issued to own or operate a massage establishment as defined herein
(c) Massage - The treating of external parts of the body for remedial or hygienic purposes, consisting of stroking, kneading, rubbing, tapping, pounding, vibrating, or stimulating with the hands or with the aid of any mechanical or electrical apparatus or appliances, with or without such supplementary aids as rubbing alcohol, liniments, antiseptics, oils powder, creams lotions ointment or other such similar preparations commonly used in the practice of massage, under such circumstances that it is reasonably expected that the person to whom the treatment is provided shall pay any consideration whatsoever therefor
(d) Massage Establishment/Message Parlor Any establishment which engages in the practice of massage as defined in sub-section (c) and which has a fixed place of business where any person, firm, association or corporation carries on any of the activities as defined in sub-section (c) Massage Establishment/Message Parlor also includes a Turkish bath parlor, steam bath, sauna, magnetic healing institute, health club, health spa, or physical fitness club or business that offers massages on occasion or incidental to its principal operation Massage Establishment/Message Parlor does not include a licensed school of massage
(e) Massagist/Masseur/Masseuse Any person who engages in the practice of massage as defined in Subsection (c)
(f) Outcall Massage Any massage given by a person that does not take place in a licensed Massage Establishment under such circumstances that it is reasonably expected that such person shall receive consideration therefor
(g) Patron Any person who receives a massage under such circumstances that it is reasonably expected that he or she shall give consideration therefor
(h) Permittee The person to whom a permit has been issued to act in the capacity of a massagist (masseur or masseuse) as herein defined
(i) Person Any individual, partnership, firm association joint stock company, corporation or combination of individuals of whatever form or character

(j) Sexual or Genital Area Genitals, pubic area, buttocks, anus, or perineum of any person, or the vulva or breasts of a female

(k) Student Any person who, under the guidance of an instructor in a Massage School is being trained or instructed in the theory, method or practice of massage

73.003 SECTION 3. License/Permit Required. (a) No person shall engage in or carry out the business of massage unless he or she has a valid massage business license issued by the Township pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance for each and every separate office or place of business conducted by such person

(b) No person shall practice massage as a massagist, employee or otherwise, unless he or she has a valid and subsisting massagist s permit issued to him or her by the Township pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance

(c) It shall be the responsibility of an owner, operator, manager or licensee hereunder to insure that each person employed or engaged by him in said business as a massagist shall have a valid massagist permit pursuant to this ordinance

(d) Existing massage establishments shall submit applications for licenses within sixty (60) days of enactment of this ordinance

73.004 SECTION 4. Exemptions. This ordinance shall not apply to the following individuals while engaged in the personal performance of the duties of their respective professions

(a) Physicians, surgeons, chiropractors, osteopaths, physical therapists or occupational therapists who are fully licensed to practice their respective professions in the State of Michigan including massage therapists working under the supervision of and in conjunction to the professional practice of such physicians, surgeons, chiropractors, osteopaths, physical therapists or occupational therapists

(b) Nurses who are registered and licensed under the laws of the State of Michigan

(c) Barbers and cosmetologists who are duly licensed under the laws of the State of Michigan and who are performing services allowed by the State of Michigan within the scope of their license

(d) In any prosecution for violation of this ordinance, the foregoing exemptions shall constitute affirmative defenses and it shall be incumbent upon the defendant to show that he/she or the place involved are not subject to the provisions of this ordinance Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to shift the burden of proof of the violation to the defendant

73.005 SECTION 5. Application for Massage Establishment License. Every applicant for a license to maintain, operate or conduct a massage establishment shall file an application under oath with the Township Clerk's office upon a form provided by the Township and pay a nonrefundable application investigation fee Such fee shall be set by Township Board resolution The application shall contain the following information

- (a) A definition of service to be provided
(b) The location, mailing address and all telephone numbers for the massage establishment(s)
(c) The name and permanent residence address of the applicant

(1) If the applicant is a corporation, the names and permanent residence addresses of each of the officers and directors of said corporation and of each stockholder owning more than ten percent (10%) of the stock of the corporation, the address of the corporation itself, if different from the address of the massage establishment, and the name and address of a resident agent in Wayne County, Michigan

(2) If the applicant is a partnership, the names and permanent residence addresses of each of the partners and of the partnership itself, if different from the address of the massage establishment, and the name and address of a resident agent in Wayne County, Michigan

(d) The applicant's two (2) immediately preceding addresses

(e) Proof that the applicant is at least eighteen (18) years of age

(f) Individual or partnership applicant's height, weight, color of eyes and hair, and gender

(g) Copy of identification such as driver's license and social security card

(h) One front face current portrait photograph of the applicant at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches and a complete set of applicant's fingerprints which shall be taken by the Director of the Public Safety Department or his agent If the applicant is a corporation, one front face current portrait photograph at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches of all officers and managing agents of said corporation and a complete set of the same officers and agents fingerprints which shall be taken by the Director of the Public Safety Department or his agent If the applicant is a partnership, one front face current portrait photograph at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches in size of each partner, including a limited partner in said partnership, and a complete set of each partner or limited partner's fingerprints which shall be taken by the Director of the Public Safety Department or his agents

(i) Business, occupation, or employment of the applicant for the three (3) years immediately preceding the date of application

(j) The massage or similar business history of the applicant, whether such person, in previously operating in this or another Municipality or State has had a business license, revoked or suspended, the reason therefor, and the business activity or occupation subsequent to such action of suspension or revocation

(k) All criminal convictions, other than misdemeanor traffic violations not involving a controlled substance or alcohol, including the dates of conviction(s), nature of the crime(s) and court or tribunal The application must include a copy of the applicant's Computerized Criminal History (CCH) The applicant may obtain his or her CCH by sending a written request together with his or her fingerprints and \$30.00 to Michigan State Police, CJIC, 7150 Harris Drive, Lansing MI 48913

(Note the \$30.00 fee is set by the Department of State Police and subject to change)

(l) The name and address of each massagist who is or will be employed in said establishment

(m) Applicant must furnish a diploma or certificate of graduation from a licensed school of massage, provided, however, that if the applicant will not himself or herself engage in the practice of massage, he or she need not furnish such a diploma or certificate of graduation

(n) The name and address of any massage business or other establishment owned or operated by any person whose name is required to be given in subsection (c) wherein the business or profession of massage is carried on

(o) A description of any other business or businesses to be operated on the same premises or on adjoining premises owned or controlled by the applicant

(p) Authorization for the Township, its agents and employees to seek information and conduct an investigation into the truth of the statements set forth in the application and the qualifications of the applicant for the permit

(q) Such other identification and information necessary to discover the truth of the matters herein before specified as required to be set forth in the application

(r) Evidence of current valid premises liability, workers compensation and general liability insurance each in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$250,000.00) Dollars

(s) All information required by this section shall be provided at the applicant's expense

Upon the completion of the above provided form and the furnishing of all foregoing information, the Township shall accept the application for the necessary investigations The holder of a massage establishment license shall notify the Township of each change in any of the data required to be furnished by this Section within ten (10) days after such change occurs

73.006 SECTION 6. Application for Massagist's Permit. Every applicant for a permit as a massagist, masseur or masseuse shall file an application under oath with the Township Clerk's office upon a form provided by the Township and pay a non refundable application investigation fee to be set by Township board resolution

The application shall contain the following information

(a) The business address and all telephone numbers where the massage or massage related activity is to be practiced

(b) Name and permanent residence address, and all names, nicknames and aliases by which the applicant has been known, including the previous addresses immediately prior to the present address of the applicant for the last three (3) years

(c) Social security number, driver's license number, if any, and date of birth

(d) Applicant's weight height color of hair and eyes, and gender

(e) Written evidence that the applicant is at least eighteen (18) years of age

(f) A complete statement of all convictions of the applicant for any

felony or misdemeanor or violation of a local ordinance, except misdemeanor traffic violations not involving a controlled substance or alcohol The application must include a copy of the applicant's Computerized Criminal History (CCH) The applicant may obtain his or her CCH by sending a written request together with his or her fingerprints and \$30.00 to Michigan State Police CJIC, 7150 Harris Drive Lansing, MI 48913

(Note the \$30.00 fee is set by the Department of State Police and subject to change)

(g) Fingerprints of the applicant taken by the police department

(h) Two front face current portrait photographs taken within thirty (30) days of the date of application and at least two (2) inches by two (2) inches in size

(i) Evidence of the applicant's certification by the National Certification Board for Therapeutic Massage and Bodywork (NCBTMB) This subsection shall not apply to persons having a non expired Massage Technician license under prior ordinance No 100

(j) The massage or similar business history and experience ten (10) years prior to the date of application including but not limited to whether or not such person has previously operated in this or another Municipality or State under a massage license or permit and has had such license or permit denied, revoked, or suspended and the reasons therefore, and the business activities or occupations subsequent to such action of denial, suspension or revocation

(k) A medical certificate signed by a physician licensed to practice in the state of Michigan dated within ten (10) days of the date of the application The certificate shall state that the applicant is free of the following conditions and evidence of the following communicable diseases (1) Illegal drug use, (2) Tuberculosis (3) HIV (4) Herpes, (5) Cholera, (6) Typhoid (7) Diphtheria, (8) Measles, (9) Mumps, (10) Hepatitis, (11) Chlamydia, (12) Impetigo, (13) Ringworm, (14) Scabies, (15) any other illnesses or medical conditions which could be communicated by close physical contact

(l) Such other information, identification and physical examination of the person deemed necessary by the Director of the Public Safety Department in order to discover the truth of the matters heretofore required to be set forth in the application

(m) Authorization for the Township, its agents and employees to seek information and conduct an investigation into the truth of the statements set forth in the application and the qualifications of the applicant for the permit

(n) Written declaration by the applicant, under penalty or perjury, that the foregoing information contained in the application is true and correct said declaration being duly dated and signed in the Township

(o) All information required by this section shall be provided at the applicant's expense

(p) Evidence of the applicant's current valid general liability insurance in the amount of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00) Dollars

73.007 SECTION 7. License or Permit Procedures. (a) Any applicant for a license or permit pursuant to this Ordinance shall present to the Township Clerk's office the application containing the aforementioned and described information The application shall be referred to the Director of the Public Safety Department who shall have thirty (30) days in which to investigate the application and the background of the applicant Based on such investigation, the Director of the Public Safety Department or his representative shall render a recommendation as to the approval or denial of the permit to the Township Clerk

(b) The Director of the Public Safety Department shall recommend denial or approval of an application for license or permit In making his determination hereunder the Director of the Public Safety Department shall consider

(1) Criminal or penal history. All of the applicant's criminal convictions, or civil judgments, the reasons therefore, and the demeanor of the applicant subsequent to his or her conviction or judgment,

(2) License and permit history. The license and permit history of the applicant, whether such person has previously operated in this Township or State or in another state under a license or permit has had such license or permit revoked or suspended, the reasons therefore, and the demeanor of the applicant subsequent to such action

(c) The divisions of inspection, including but not limited to, the Building Official Electrical Inspector(s) Plumbing Inspector(s), the Police and Fire Divisions of the Public Safety Department, and Ordinance Inspector(s) shall inspect the premises proposed to be devoted to the massage parlor or similar business and shall make within thirty (30) days inspection recommendations to the Township Clerk concerning compliance with the requirements of this article, and all other applicable Township ordinances and regulations

73.008 SECTION 8. Issuance of License or Permit for a Massage Establishment. The Township Clerk shall issue a license for a massage establishment or a permit for a massagist, masseur or masseuse if all requirements for a massage establishment or massagist permit described in this Ordinance are met unless he or she finds

(a) The correct permit or license fee has not been tendered to the Township and in the case of a check, or bank draft, honored with payment upon presentation

(b) The operation, as proposed by the applicant, if permitted, would not comply with all applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Township's building, zoning and health regulations

(c) The applicant, if an individual, or any of the stockholders holding more than ten percent (10%) of the stock of the corporation, or any of the officers or directors if the applicant is a corporation, or any of the partners, including limited partners if the applicant is a partnership, or the holder of any lien of any nature, upon the business and the manager or other person principally in charge of the operation of the business, have (has) been convicted of any of the following offenses within or without the State of Michigan

(1) An offense involving the use of force and violence upon the person of another that amounts to a felony

(2) An offense related to criminal sexual conduct, a sexual act committed in conjunction with a felony a sexual act with a mentally incapable or mentally disabled person a sexual act with a physically helpless person gross indecency, indecent conduct, indecent exposure sodomy, pandering, prostitution, solicitation of prostitution pandering, or accepting the earnings of a prostitute

(3) An offense involving narcotics, dangerous drugs or dangerous weapons that amounts to a felony

The Township Clerk may issue a license or permit to any person convicted of any crimes described in subsections (c)(1), (c)(2) or (c)(3) above of this section if he or she finds that such conviction occurred at least five (5) years prior to the date of the application and the applicant has had no subsequent felony convictions of any nature and no subsequent misdemeanor convictions for crimes mentioned in (c)(1), (c)(2) or (c)(3) above

(d) The applicant has knowingly made any false or fraudulent statement of fact in the permit application or in any document required by the Township in conjunction therewith

(e) The applicant has had a massage business, massagist, or other similar permit or license denied, revoked, or suspended by the Township or any other similar permit or license denied, revoked, or suspended by the Township or any other State or local agency within five (5) years prior to the date of the application

(f) The applicant if an individual, or any of the officers and directors, if the applicant is a corporation or any of the partners, including limited partners if the applicant is a partnership, and the manager or other person principally in charge of the operation of the business, is not over the age of eighteen (18) years

73.009 SECTION 9. Approval or Denial of Application. The Township Clerk shall act to approve or deny an application for a license or permit under this Ordinance within a reasonable period of time and in no event shall he or she act to approve or deny said license or permit later than ninety (90) days from the date that said application was accepted by the Township Clerk's office

Every license or permit issued pursuant to this Ordinance shall be valid for one (1) year and must be renewed as required by this Ordinance The Clerk's office shall issue a photographic identification card to successful permit applicants

An applicant denied a license pursuant to these provisions, may appeal to the Township board in writing, stating reasons why the license should be granted Such appeal proceedings shall be held in an open meeting before the Township Board The Township Board may, by a majority of a quorum panel, grant or deny a license or permit after an appeal hearing

73.010 SECTION 10. Posting of License/Permit. (a) Every massagist shall post the permit required by this Ordinance in his/her work area

(b) Every individual, corporation partnership or association licensed under this Ordinance shall display such license in a prominent place



## VILLAGE

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## airfare and housing

Participants stay in places such as old convents. A delegation in Detroit this summer will stay in De La Salle High School

## A LOVE OF TRAVEL

Mary found out about the organization five years ago from her Bloomfield Township dentist, Jim LoPrete of Troy. He

had a spot open on the delegation for the CISV Luxembourg trip his daughter, Loren, was going on.

The Counihans have been involved since. In fact, on May 9, Mary is chairing the 22nd annual CISV Greater Detroit Chapter fund-raiser in Plymouth Township.

"I think the reason it has so much appeal is we really love to travel," she said. "When I was 21, I got to go to Guadalajara and teach. That was such a wonderful experience, it gave me the desire to travel my

whole life. Travel is a value in our home. Even my great-grandma valued experiences and meeting people, those were more important than things."

But what of politics? Especially now, after the U.S.-led war in Iraq, to which many in the world were opposed?

"The kids are so nice," said Andrew. "When there's discussion, it's not against you, it's political."

"In our training, they tell us, just try to avoid this topic of conversation," said Michael. "If things get edgy, just try to stay

away from it."

"Peace is really the idea behind CISV," said Mary. "The idea is that if children make friendships around the world, they won't want to have wars. CISV teaches children and adults to accept and appreciate others without prejudice or stereotypes."

Andrew said one of the program's awareness-raising exercises involved building a beautiful house out of cardboard. Afterward, they were told to destroy someone else's cardboard house. He won't forget

how it felt to have his destroyed and to destroy someone else's.

Participants learn about one another's countries through activities such as National Night. And they exchange items like t-shirts. For the interview, Andrew wore a T-shirt given to him by a Czech Republic participant. Often, delegation members keep in touch afterward, as well.

"I've been to other camps, and you go water-skiing and have fun, but this is something really special," said Andrew.

"It's a tremendous amount of

work," said Mary. "But seeing those kids going away and kids from other countries coming here, I feel like I'm really contributing something. For me, it's probably the nicest volunteer work I've ever done."

The fund raiser will include hors d'oeuvres and desserts, a reverse raffle, food and fun. Tickets are \$10. It's 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the St. John's Golf & Conference Center, 44045 Five Mile, Plymouth Township. For tickets, call Mary Counihan at (248) 338-7381. Find out more about CISV on the Web at [www.cisvusa.org/detroit/](http://www.cisvusa.org/detroit/).

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, May 15th, 2003 for the following:

#### EPOXY FLOOR COVERING FOR FIRE STATION # 1

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

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC HEARING FY 2003 CDBG ACTION PLAN

On Tuesday, May 13, at 7 p.m. in the Board meeting room located at the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan 48188, the Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of the FY 2003 Community Development Block Grant action plan. Comment will be held on the following project proposals: First Step, \$36,900; Growth Works, \$8,800; Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services, \$10,000; HelpSource, \$1,500; Volunteer Coordinator, \$6,500; Summit Scholarship, \$1,500; Human Services Center Construction, \$275,000; Program Administration, \$87,200; Purchase of lots for affordable housing, \$8,600. Allocation total \$436,000. Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin, Community Services Division, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, (734) 394-5194.

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - APRIL 22, 2003

**73.011 SECTION 11. Records of Employees.** The licensee or the person designated by the licensee of a massage establishment shall maintain a register of all persons employed or engaged as massage therapists. Included in the register will be a copy of each massage therapist permit. Such register shall be available at the massage establishment to representatives of the Township during regular business hours.

**73.012 SECTION 12. Revocation or Suspension of License.** Any license issued for a massage establishment by the Township may be revoked or suspended after notice and a hearing for good cause or in any case where any of the provisions of this Ordinance are violated or where any employee of the licensee, including a massage therapist, is engaged in any conduct which violates any of the State or local laws or ordinances at licensee's place of business in the conduct of licensee's business. Such permit may also be revoked or suspended, after notice and hearing upon the recommendations of the health inspector, that such business is being managed, conducted or maintained without regard to proper sanitation and hygiene. For exigent circumstances or conditions that immediately pose a threat to the public health, safety and welfare of the community patrons, employees or others, an Ordinance Inspector or a police officer with the approval of the Township Supervisor or his or her designee is hereby granted the authority to suspend on an interim basis any license granted hereunder provided however that such interim suspension shall only be effective for seventy-two (72) hours from the time and date of suspension. The licensee shall be given a written notice of interim suspension containing the date and time of such interim suspension.

**73.013 SECTION 13. Revocation of Massage Therapist Permit.** A massage therapist or masseuse permit issued by the Township may be revoked or suspended after notice and hearing where it appears that the massage therapist, masseur or masseuse has been convicted of any offense which would be cause for denial of a permit upon an original application, has made a false statement on an application for a permit or has committed an act in violation of this Ordinance.

**73.014 SECTION 14. Renewal of Massage Establishment License or Massage Therapist Permit.** Application to renew a license to operate a massage establishment or similar business or a massage therapist permit shall be filed at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of expiration. Such renewal shall be annual and shall be accompanied by the application fee.

(a) The applicant shall present the following information to the Township Clerk's office:

- (1) A sworn affidavit by the applicant stating that the matters contained in the original application have not changed, or if they have changed, specifically stating the changes that have occurred.
- (2) For massage therapists, a medical certificate as required for original applicants above.

(b) The application shall be referred to the Director of the Public Safety Department who shall investigate the criminal history of the applicant and any employees holding permits as massage therapists since the grant of the original license.

**73.015 SECTION 15. Facilities Necessary.** No license to conduct a massage establishment shall be issued unless inspectors of the Township reveal that the establishment complies with each of the following minimum requirements:

- (a) All provisions of the Township building, plumbing, fire electrical and health codes have been fulfilled.
- (b) Minimum ventilation shall be provided in accordance with the state construction code.
- (c) Adequate washing, dressing, locker, and toilet facilities shall be provided for patrons.
- (d) Construction of rooms used for toilets, steam baths and showers shall be made waterproof with approved waterproofed materials and shall be installed in accordance with the Township building code. Plumbing fixtures shall be installed in accordance with the Township plumbing code.
  - (1) Steam rooms and shower compartments shall have waterproof floors, walls and ceilings.
  - (2) Floors of wet and dry heat rooms shall be adequately pitched to one or more floor drains properly connected to the sewer.
  - (3) A source of hot water must be available within the immediate vicinity of dry and wet heat rooms to facilitate cleaning.
  - (4) Wet and dry heat rooms, steam or vapor rooms or steam and vapor cabinets, shower compartments and toilet rooms shall be thoroughly cleaned each day the business is in operation.
- (e) The premises shall have adequate equipment for disinfecting and sterilizing non-disposable instruments and materials used in administering massages. Such non-disposable instruments and materials shall be disinfected after use on each patron.
- (f) Closed cabinets shall be provided and used for the storage of clean linen, towels and other materials used in connection with administering massages. All soiled linens, towels and other materials shall be kept separate from the clean storage areas. No common use of towels or linens shall be permitted.
- (g) A minimum of one separate washbasin shall be provided in each massage parlor for the use of employees of any such establishment. The basin shall provide soap or detergent and hot and cold water at all times, and shall be located within or as close as practicable to the area devoted to the performing of massage services. The location of this washbasin shall be separate from the location of the bathing, dressing, locker and toilet facilities provided for patrons. In addition, there shall be provided at each washbasin sanitary towels placed in permanently installed dispensers.

#### 73.016 SECTION 16. Operating Requirements.

- (a) Every portion of the massage establishment including appliances and apparatus shall be kept clean and operated in a sanitary condition.
- (b) Price rates for all services shall be prominently posted in the reception area in a location available to all prospective customers.
- (c) The premises shall not be made available for accommodating any

person as sleeping quarters. No beds, water mattresses, cots, or equipment designed for sleeping shall be permitted on the premises.

(d) All employees, including massage therapists and other employees attending patrons, shall be clean and wear clean clothing covering the torso. Such clothing shall be non-transparent and of washable or disposable material and shall be kept in a clean condition. Such clothing shall cover the person's pubic area, perineum, buttocks, natal cleft and the entire chest to four (4) inches below the collarbone.

(e) All employees of a massage establishment shall wear slacks and a blouse or shirt or a one-piece pants suit or overall. Skirts or dresses shall not be permitted. The uniform shall include the Township issued photographic identification card which shall be worn whenever the employee is working.

(f) All massage establishments shall be supplied with and provide clean laundered sheets and towels in sufficient quantity and which sheets and towels shall be laundered after each use thereof and stored in a sanitary manner.

(g) No massage establishment granted a license under the provisions of this Ordinance shall place, publish or distribute or cause to be placed, published or distributed any advertisement, picture or statement which is known or through the exercise of reasonable care should be known to be false, deceptive or misleading in order to induce any person to purchase or utilize any professional massage services.

**73.017 SECTION 17. Persons Under Age 18 Prohibited on Premises.** No person shall permit any person under the age of eighteen (18) years to come or remain on the premises of any massage business establishment as a massage therapist, employee, or patron unless such person is on the premises on lawful business and/or the person under the age of eighteen (18) years has in his or her possession a signed parental or guardian consent form consenting to his or her being on the premises for purposes of receiving a massage.

**73.018 SECTION 18. Alcoholic Beverages Prohibited.** No person shall sell, give, dispense, provide or keep, or cause to be sold, given, dispensed, provided or kept any alcoholic beverage on the premises of any massage business. No alcoholic beverages shall be brought into or upon the premises.

**73.019 SECTION 19. Hours.** No massage business shall be kept open for any purposes between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

**73.020 SECTION 20. Employment of Massage Therapist.** No person shall employ as a massage therapist any person unless said employee has obtained and has in effect a permit issued pursuant to this Ordinance.

**73.021 SECTION 21. Inspection Required.** The Director of the Public Safety Department, Ordinance Inspector(s), or other authorized inspectors from the Township shall from time to time make inspection of each massage business establishment for the purposes of determining that the provisions of this Ordinance are fully complied with. It shall be unlawful for any licensee to fail to allow such inspection officer access to the premises or hinder such officer in any manner.

**73.022 SECTION 22. Unlawful Acts.** (a) It shall be unlawful for any person in a massage establishment to place his or her hand or hands upon or touch with any part of his or her body, to fondle in any manner or to massage, a sexual or genital area of any other person. Sexual or genital areas shall include the genitals, pubic area, buttocks (excluding the gluteals, perineum and quadrates insertion points), anus, or perineum of any person, or the vulva or breasts of a female.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, in a massage establishment, to expose his or her sexual or genital areas, or any portion thereof, to any other person. It shall also be unlawful for any person, in a massage establishment, to expose any sexual or genital areas, or any portions thereof, of any other person.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person, while in the presence of any other person in a massage establishment, to fail to conceal with a fully opaque covering, the sexual or genital areas of his or her body.

(d) It shall be unlawful for any person owning, operating or managing a massage establishment, any agent, employee, or any other person under his control or supervision to perform such acts prohibited in subsections (a), (b) or (c) of this Section.

(e) Outcall Massages shall be permitted in private residences or business places outside the massage establishment under any of the following circumstances:

- (1) Based upon a doctor's prescription or licensed health care professional's recommendation for medical treatment purposes.
- (2) For individuals suffering poor health or the elderly where transportation to the massage establishment is a problem.
- (3) At the written request of the person to receive the massage, provided the consumption of alcohol or a massage to underage individuals is not involved.
- (4) It shall be unlawful for any person to perform an outcall massage in a vehicle except as part of a promotional, civic, governmental or community event.

**73.023 SECTION 23. Sale, Transfer or Change of Location.** Upon sale, transfer or relocation of a massage establishment, the licensee therefore shall be null and void unless approved as provided by this Ordinance. It shall be the duty of all owners or licensees having knowledge of the sale, transfer or relocation of a massage establishment to immediately report such sale, transfer or relocation to the Township Clerk's office. The failure to do so shall result in an immediate suspension of all business.

**73.024 SECTION 24. Name and Place.** No person granted a license pursuant to this Ordinance shall operate the massage establishment under a name not specified in their license, nor shall they conduct business under any designation or location not specified in their license.

**73.025 SECTION 25. Transfer of License or Permit.** No license or permit shall be transferable except with the consent of the Township Clerk or Township Supervisor and ratified by the Township Board. An application for such transfer shall be in writing and shall be accompanied by fees provided by Township Board resolution. The written application for such transfer shall contain the same information as requested herein for initial application for the license or permit.

**73.026 SECTION 26. Violation and Penalty.** Any person, except those who are specifically exempted by this Ordinance, whether acting as an individual, owner, employee of the owner, operator or employee of

the operator, or whether acting as a mere agent or independent contractor for the owner, employee or operator, or acting as a participant or worker in any way directly or indirectly who gives massages or operates a massage establishment or any service defined in this Ordinance without first obtaining a license or permit and paying a fee to do so from the Township or shall violate any provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor upon conviction and shall be punished by imposition of a fine not to exceed five hundred (\$500.00) dollars, and/or by imprisonment for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days within the discretion of the Court. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

**73.027 SECTION 27. Applicability of Regulations to Existing Business.** The provisions of this article shall be applicable to all persons and businesses described herein, whether the herein described activities were established before or after the effective date of this article, and including person or persons whose application is presently under consideration or investigation by the Township. However, those businesses operating prior to the date of adoption of this article will have a sixty (60) day grace period from the date of adoption within which to comply with all the conditions and requirements of this article as set forth herein.

**73.028 SECTION 28. Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, except as herein provided, are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. The Massage Establishment and Massage Technician Licensing Ordinance, Ordinance 100, is hereby repealed.

**73.029 SECTION 29. Severability.** If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.

**73.030 SECTION 30. Savings Clause.** The repeal or amendment herein shall not abrogate or affect any offense or act committed or done, or any penalty or forfeiture incurred, or any pending litigation or prosecution of any right established or occurring prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, as amended.

**73.031 SECTION 31. Publication.** The Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**73.032 SECTION 32. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take full force and effect upon publication.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site [www.canton.mi.org](http://www.canton.mi.org).

**Item C4.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzaik, to approve the transfer funds in the amount not-to-exceed \$7,700 from Purchase Order 36116 and open a new purchase order to pay planting material and installation services performed by WH Canon, Inc for the Napier Road Water Main Project.

**GENERAL CALENDAR Item G1.** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the resolution approving the site plan for the proposed TCF National Bank subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached to the resolution.

**Item G2.** Motion by Burdzaik, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the request of the Project Sponsors, Bill and Michelle Mullins, to conduct the special use for the proposed expansion of Begunner's Inn Day Care Center, subject to compliance with any conditions contained in this Resolution and all other regulations of the Township.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin, to approve the request of the Project Sponsors, Bill and Michelle Mullins, to approve the site plan for the proposed expansion of Begunner's Inn Day Care Center, subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached to the resolution.

**Item G3.** Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the request of the Petitioner, Mr Bryan Amann, to approve the preliminary site plan for the proposed Canford Park Site Condominiums subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached to the resolution.

**Item G4.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to approve the purchase of two (2) 2003 GMC 4x4 2500 Services Pickups at \$20,378.00 each from Red Holman GMC, under the Oakland County Cooperative Purchasing Agreement.

**Item G5.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzaik, to award the design, staking, construction administration, and construction follow-up for the 2003 Water Main Improvement & Replacement to Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc, for a cost of \$70,141.08 plus a 10% contingency in the amount of \$7,014.10 for a total of \$77,155.19. Inspection services will also be provided at a rate of \$425 per 8-hour day for each project and a separate purchase will be provided based on the number of days the contractor estimates at the time the contract is awarded.

**Item G6.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to accept the bid submitted by M S T & L Inc in the amount of \$57.00 per lot and \$57.00 per acre for the 2003 Weed Cutting Program.

**Item G7.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to approve the purchase of QREP Application Software and annual maintenance from HTE, Inc for a cost not to exceed \$7,800.

**Item G8.** Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzaik, to approve the upgrade of hardware and software for the City (Community) Watch System from Avtex, Inc for a cost of \$5,400.

**OTHER:** No study session Tuesday, April 29th. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Bennett, Supported by Burdzaik to adjourn at 7:38 pm.

THOMAS J YACK, Supervisor

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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**Ravida-Dusseau**

Jacqueline and John Ravida of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Rosina Maria Ravida, to Chad Robert Dusseau of Plymouth. Rosina received her bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University. She is currently employed as a marketing director for the Ann Arbor Art Center. Her fiancé, Chad, is the son of Steve and Cindy Dusseau of Plymouth and Ron and Bobbi Martin of Houghton Lake. He received his bachelor's degree from Schoolcraft Community College. He is a sales representative for AV Detroit. The couple is planning a May wedding in St. Edith Church, Livonia.



**Bennett**

Charles and Jean Bennett of Garden City celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary April 25.

They were married April 25, 1953, in Holy Redeemer Church, Detroit.

An anniversary celebration will be held at Roma's of Garden City.

Charles and Jean have lived in Garden City 46 years. Charles has been retired from Darling Co. 13 years.

After his retirement he began working part time for Penske Truck Leasing.

The couple have five children, Mark, Maureen, Dennis, Denise and Kathleen.



**Thompson-Christensen**

Beckie Christensen of Northville and Jay Thompson of Livonia were married Sept. 6, 2002, in Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, Livonia. A reception followed at Lovett Hall, on the grounds of Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village.

The couple spent their honeymoon in London, England, and are making their new home in Livonia.

Beckie is the daughter of Ray Christensen of Garden City and Susan Christensen of Port Huron.

She is a 1996 graduate of Eastern Michigan University.

Her husband, Jay, is the son of JR and Glenda Thompson of Garden City.

He is a 1995 graduate of Western Michigan University. He is an account manager for Rochester Sales in Auburn Hills.

Attending the bride were maid of honor, Wendie Christensen, and bridesmaids, Amy Thompson Boyk, Emily Miotke, Jennifer Deshong and Nicole Cranford.

Attending the groom were best man, Lon Williams, and groomsmen, James Boyk, Andy Riess, Rick Morton and Tony Boon. Ushers were David Buck, Dale Deshong and Chris Bush.

Flower girls and ringbearers were Lauren Zigman, Piper Hutchinson, Jimmy Miotke and Gino Deshong.



**Leach-Gano**

Lawrence and Diane Leach of Redford announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Felicia May, to Eric Stephen Gano.

Felicia is a 1996 graduate of Thurston High School and a 2000 graduate of Finlandia University with an associate's degree in education.

Her fiancé Eric is the son of Carl and Harriet Gano of Rochester Hills. He is a 1996 graduate of Rochester Adams High School and is a 2000 graduate from Michigan Tech University with a bachelor's degree in soil science. He works for the USDA/NRCS in Ontonagon, Mich.

The couple is planning a May wedding at Rochester Community Park in Rochester Hills.



**Morden-Grayson**

Mr. and Mrs. James Pomroy of Birmingham and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Morden of Troy announce the engagement of their daughter, Elzabeth Randall Morden, to Brad Louis Grayson of Livonia.

Elzabeth is a graduate of Seaholm High School and Madonna University.

Brad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Grayson of Livonia, and the late Sandra Goralski Grayson. He is a graduate of Livonia Churchill High School.

The couple are planning an August wedding at the Congregational Church of Birmingham in Bloomfield Hills.

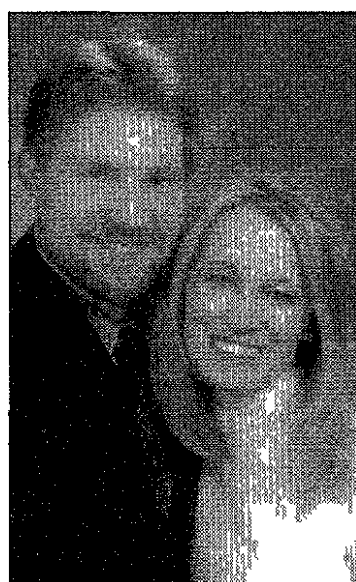
**Young-Jones**

Douglas and Linda Young of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Lynne, to Kenneth Charles Jones of Berkley.

Jennifer is a 1993 graduate of Livonia Stevenson High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor of arts degree in accounting. She is employed as a CPA at Follmer Rudzewicz PLC.

Her fiancé Kenneth is the son of Kenneth and Marcella Jones of Gladwin. He is a 1991 graduate of Bishop Foley Catholic High School and a 1996 graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelors of arts degree in accounting. He is employed as a CPA at Swad & Company, CPAs.

The couple is planning a June wedding in Guardian Angels Catholic Church.



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## Sidelines

### A new look

Since Madonna University has fielded sports teams the school's nickname has been Crusaders (or a variation thereof). But in all that time the school has never had an official sports logo. Until now. Madonna has unveiled its first official sports logo that of a knight wielding a shield positioned over the school's name. We've always been the



Crusaders said athletic director Bryan Rizzo. I tried to change the logo when I first got here. We never had an athletic logo, we just used Madonna U with a flame next to it.

Political correctness had something to do with the logo's design. A savage warrior swinging a sword was out of the question (too brutal) in fact the Fighting part of the team's nickname (they were the Fighting Crusaders) was dropped earlier this year.

I always wanted something we could put on letterheads, on sweatshirts, on business cards — something we could market, said Rizzo.

Madonna sports information director Matt Fancett took the challenge. He contacted Team Works of Art, a design firm out of Columbus, Ohio, and they came up with the Crusaders logo — something that will be seen a lot of at Madonna athletic events.

I'm excited, said Rizzo. No doubt for him it means a new wardrobe. Anyone wishing to view the new logo need only look for the Madonna AD, who is always donning some sort of school paraphernalia.

### Father and son

John Demisick, an elementary school teacher in the Plymouth Canton district, and his son Richard both placed at the Northern Classic Bodybuilding competition last week.

John, now 50, placed third in the Grand Masters Division. Richard, 17, finished first in the Teen Division and was third in the Novice Division, competing against many 21 to 24 year olds in the latter.

### Hole-in-one

Sure there's a first time for almost anything, but Dan Christensen probably didn't foresee it happening when he stepped up to the par three 121 yard 12th hole at Pheasant Run.

Not when he was playing into a strong 10 to 20 mph headwind. And yet, he got what all golfers seek — an ace. Christensen used an eight iron on his hole in one, his first in 50 years of golf.

## Madonna sights are fixed on WHAC championship

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Now it begins, what Madonna University's softball team first sighted and aimed for when leaving for its spring trip in Florida two months ago. The Crusaders go into today's four-team Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament at Bailey Park in Battle Creek as the top seed. Aquinas

### COLLEGE SOFTBALL

College won the WHAC title with a 21-7 record (34-16 overall), earning a bye into next week's NAIA Region VIII Tournament.

Madonna placed second to Aquinas at 17-10-1 (30-13-1 overall), followed by Cornerstone University at 16-10 (24-16 overall), Tri-State University at 16-12

(28-15) and Spring Arbor at 16-12 (31-20). The Crusaders play fourth-seeded Spring Arbor at 10 a.m. Thursday, with second-seeded Cornerstone going against third-seeded Tri-State, also at 10 a.m.

The winners play at noon in the double-elimination tournament, with the losers playing each other as well. The unbeaten survivor advances to Friday's title round, with whoever makes it through Thursday's games with just one

loss also advancing. Friday's first game is at 10 a.m., should a second game be needed, it will be at noon.

As for the Crusaders' chances, coach Al White was hopeful. "We're coming back to the team we were at mid-season," he said. "The girls are more relaxed and they're hitting."

There was a stretch during the WHAC

PLEASE SEE SOFTBALL, D2



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Despite his efforts, Plymouth goalie Paul Drew gets beat by Kitchener's Petr Kanko (9), who scored three goals in Game Six Saturday.

## Whalers ousted

### Rangers win, 3-1

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

A game, a series, a season — all decided in the span of 16 seconds.

That's what it came down to for the Plymouth Whalers. On Monday at Kitchener, the Rangers got a fortunate bounce and it resulted in the go-ahead goal in the third period.

Sixteen seconds later, Greg Campbell — who started his career in the Ontario Hockey League playing for the Whalers — added an insurance goal to give the Rangers the OHL's Western Conference title with a 3-1 victory in Game Seven of their best-of-seven series.

Kitchener, the conference's best team during the regular season, will meet the

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, D3

## Canton hammers Churchill

## Observerland Relays title up for grabs

BY GEORGE STEPHENS  
STAFF WRITER

If the 2003 Observerland Relays are anything like ones of the past, track fans will be in for a real treat.

Last year's event went down to the wire, as Canton pulled out a one-point victory over host Livonia Churchill, 60-59, with Farmington Harrison five points behind Churchill and one untimely disqualifica-

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tion away from tying for the title.

This year, the 33rd-annual meet shifts to Farmington High School for the first time with field events beginning at 3:30 p.m. and track events at 6:30 p.m.

Canton coach Bob Richardson hopes the change of venue doesn't prevent it from trying to pull off the unprecedented, as the

Chiefs look to be the only team in the history of the event to win it four years in a row.

"Our team is excited about the possibility of winning this for the fourth-straight year," Richardson said. "No team has ever done that and that has been in the back of our minds."

Richardson will be looking to a couple of

PLEASE SEE RELAYS, D4

Matt Kay slugged a three-run home run in the bottom of the fifth inning, capping a five-run Canton rally and bringing to a close the Chiefs' game against Western Lakes Activities Association foe Livonia Churchill by a 12-0 margin Monday at Canton.

The win evened the Chiefs' overall baseball record at 6-6, they are 2-2 in the WLAA. Churchill is 5-4 overall, 1-2 in the conference.

Carl McDevitt got his third-straight pitching win, evening his record at 3-3. He pitched five shutout innings, giving up three hits and no walks while striking out three. Xander Younce allowed seven runs in three innings for the Chargers, taking the loss.

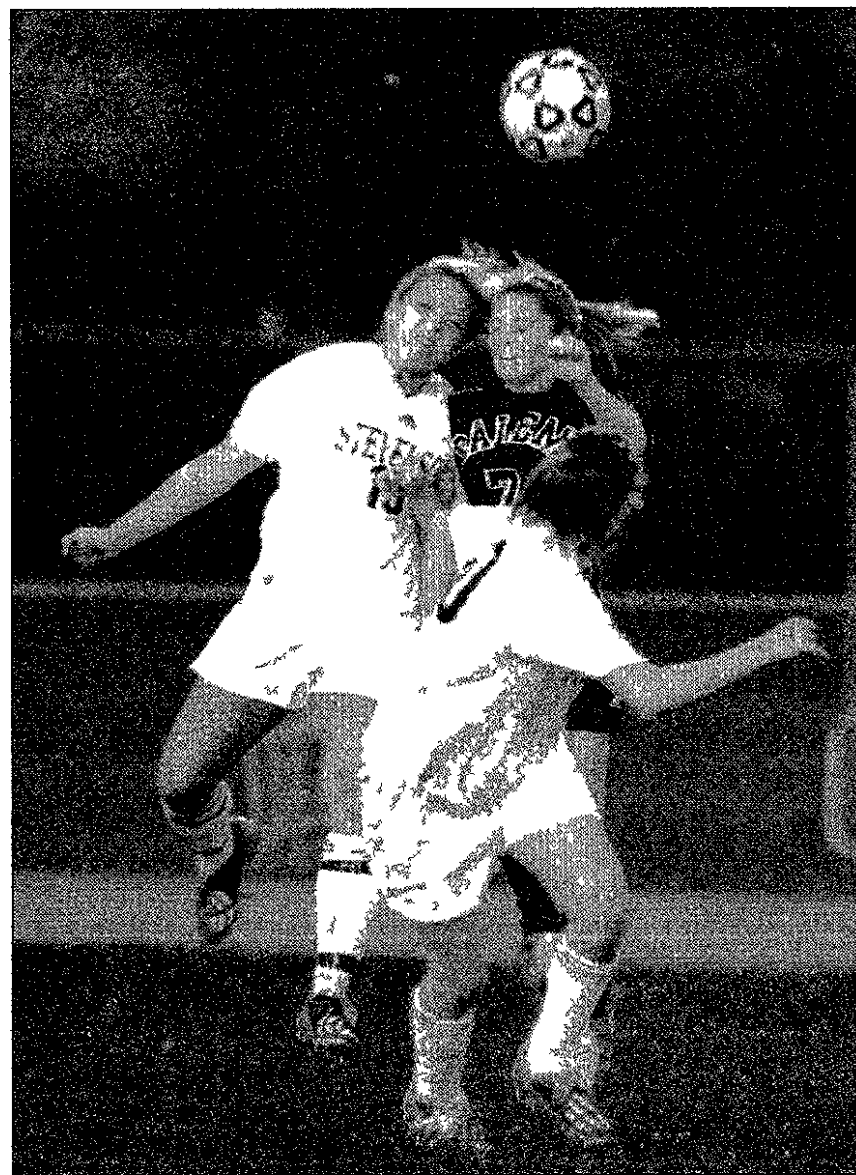
Andy Howald, Dave Mintz and Dave Nicoloff each had two hits and an RBI for the Chiefs, while Shawn Little had a hit and three RBI.

**W.L. Central 9, Salem 6:** The Rocks had a 6-2 lead going into the seventh inning in this WLAA Lakes Division contest Monday, but they allowed seven unearned runs in suffering their first conference loss.

Salem is 7-6 overall, 3-1 in the WLAA and 1-1 in the Lakes.

Lost in the defeat was Ryan Leach's three-run home run in the Rocks' four-run second inning. Also lost were solid pitching performances by starter Brandon Mancini and relievers Dave Pawlukiewicz and Nate Krumwiede. Krumwiede was

PLEASE SEE BASEBALL, D8



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Stevenson's Bethany Dobbyn (left) and Salem's Kristen March collide as they both attempt a header on the ball.

## Rocks' rally ties Spartans

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

For one half, things couldn't have gone better for Livonia Stevenson's soccer team.

Same could be said for Salem. The end result — a 2-2 draw Monday at Stevenson in what is annually the most important match of the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division regular season. Stevenson is 4-0-1 overall, 3-0-1 in the WLAA, Salem is 5-0-2 overall, 2-0-1 in the conference. Unless something unexpected happens and either Stevenson or Salem loses or ties a match against someone else in the Lakes, it will require a tiebreaker to decide who plays the Western Division champ for the WLAA title.

"Every year I ask if we can change it," said Salem coach Joe Nora when asked why the two top teams in the Lakes meet after a 10-day intermission without playing.

Spartans' coach Chris Pinta agreed. "This is the worst time for us to play, right after the break," he said. While Stevenson got it going quickly Monday, Salem had trouble to start with. It wasn't until the last 35 minutes that the Rocks found their game, and even then it took some late heroics to muster a draw against the defending WLAA champion.

"It took us about five minutes into the second half to get our game back," said Nora. "We wanted to wait about 10 minutes into the second half, then move Jordan (Falcusan) into the back and attack from there. We also moved Megan McCarthy up to take advantage of her speed."

"We have more firepower this season, let's take advantage of it."

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**SOFTBALL**

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season when Madonna lost games it had won, against teams it should beat. A sweep of Siena Heights Sunday after a split with Aquinas Saturday helped get the Crusaders back on track.

"It's good we had (that bad stretch) a couple of weeks ago," said White. The Madonna coach still believes this team could advance to the NAIA World Series. But there are certain things the Crusaders must do to survive the conference tourney.

"Just play good defense," he said. "Our pitching will hold us in the game, and I know we can hit."

Jennifer Tenyer and Sarah Golob were Madonna's one-two pitching punch. Tenyer was 16-7 with a 2.12 earned-run average this season, Golob was 13-6 with a 2.63 ERA. Tenyer walked just nine batters, striking out 104, in 143 2/3 innings, Golob walked 40 and struck out 102 in 130 innings.

The Crusaders hit 308 as a team, while their opponents hit just 226. Krystle Shina (from Farmington Hills Mercy) led Madonna with a .388 batting average, with eight doubles, two triples, two home runs and 30 runs batted in.

Six Crusaders hit better than 300. Golob (who hit .307) led the team with 35 RBI, Jamie



JIM JAGOFELD | FILE PHOTO

Pitcher Jennifer Tenyer is one good reason for Madonna to be optimistic. Tenyer is 16-7 for the season.

Bobrowski topped the Crusaders with six homers (she also had eight doubles and a triple), batting .288 with 20 RBI.

All of which means nothing now, particularly in a WHAC season in which no team clearly ruled. "Look at the standings, it definitely says that," White said. "There's no one dominating pitcher on any team."

If the Crusaders are to capture the tournament championship, the hits will have to come. "We need Bobrowski or (Emily) Cunningham to start hitting," he said. "This is a nice time to get hot."

Particularly for Bobrowski, who has slumped in the last couple of weeks. "She's got the potential to hit the ball out of the park anytime," White noted.

Spring Arbor is the only other WHAC team with that kind of offensive power, White said. Still, to make it to the NAIA Regional, the Crusaders must remember to do all the little things necessary to win.

**Madonna 6-3, Siena Heights 3-1:** Madonna struck for five runs in the second inning in the first game, Jenny Tenyer driving in three with a home run, and Sarah Golob tossed a five-hitter in the second game to complete the sweep Sunday at Siena Heights.

Tenyer was the winning pitcher in the first game, allowing three earned-runs on eight hits and no walks, striking out five. The loss went to Kari Angevine.

Emily Cunningham and Arin Fowler each had

two hits for Madonna, Fowler driving in a run. Golob gave up one run on five hits and one walk, fanning six in the second game. The loss went to Amber Biniker.

Kathy Day (Livonia Ladywood) and Mary Warchuck each had two hits for the Crusaders. Siena Heights fell to 26-19-1 overall, 12-15-1 in the WHAC.

**Madonna 6-0, Aquinas 0-1:** Sarah Golob knocked in three runs with a pair of singles to lead the Crusaders to a five-inning mercy of Aquinas College in Saturday's opener at Livonia Ladywood.

But in the nightcap, Cassi Gragg blanked Madonna on just six hits and a walk to earn a split. Gragg also had three of the Saints' seven hits and scored the game's only run.

Golob took the pitching loss, surrendering seven hits and a walk with three strikeouts in seven innings. Emily Cunningham and Krystle Shina each had two hits for the Crusaders.

In the first-game victory, Mary Warchuck had two hits and scored two runs and Stacey Sexsmith collected two hits and an RBI. Jennifer Tenyer, who tossed a three-hitter over five innings with no walks to get the pitching win, contributed a triple and an RBI at the plate and Shina had a double and an RBI.

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# Crusaders keep tumbling; Cougars sweep

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

Chris Woodruff slugged a dramatic pinch-hit, two-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning to allow Madonna University's baseball team to draw even with Spring Arbor, but an error in the eighth led to the game-winning run as the Cougars completed a sweep of the Crusaders, 8-2 and 5-4 Tuesday at Ford Field in Livonia.

The two losses left Madonna at 20-30 overall, 4-18 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Spring Arbor clinched the top spot in the WHAC at 19-5, the Cougars are 37-9 overall.

In the second game, Spring Arbor led 3-2 going into the seventh inning thanks to the strong pitching of Nate Doorlag. Zach DeFram's second triple of the game, with two out, produced another run, DeFram scored on Scott Edwards' base hit.

With one out in the bottom of the seventh, Mark Cole (from Farmington Hills/Catholic Central) got a pinch-hit single, sending Woodruff (Livonia/CC) to the

plate. He pounded Doorlag's pitch deep over the left-field fence to tie the game at 4-4. Scott Miller (Farmington Hills/St. Mary's HS) then reached base on an error and went to second on another Cougar error, but couldn't score.

The game-winning run scored when a throw from first baseman Eric Lightle (Livonia Churchill) to pitcher Sterling Mintzer, who was covering first base, was wild. Mintzer took the loss, allowing five runs (three earned) on seven hits and four walks, striking out four in eight innings. Doorlag got the win, giving up three earned runs on five hits and two walks, with six strikeouts in eight innings.

In the first game, Justin Hahaj limited Madonna to three hits, two of them singles by Dave Nester. Devin Cole (Garden City) doubled in both Crusader runs in the third inning. Hahaj walked one and fanned six.

Mark Cole started and took the loss for Madonna, giving

up seven runs (six earned) on six hits and five walks in five innings. Doorlag, who had two hits, and Edwards each had home runs for the Cougars, and Jordan Gruppen and Tim Corser had two hits apiece.

## Crusaders split twinbills

In a non-conference, four-game set at St. Francis University last weekend in Joliet, Ill., Madonna managed to get a pair of splits. On Saturday, the Crusaders opened with a 5-4 victory, thanks in great part to Mark Cole's four RBI, but they lost the second game 5-2.

On Sunday, the Saints won the opener 3-1 but Madonna bounced back to win the nightcap 11-6. St. Francis was 24-24 through Sunday.

In Saturday's opener, Cole had two hits (including a double). Chris Woodruff had three hits and scored twice, and both Matt Rigley (Redford Union) and Sterling Mintzer had two hits. Dan Duffey (Farmington Hills/CC) started and got the pitching win, he allowed two runs on seven hits and three

walks, with four strikeouts, in five innings.

In Saturday's second game, Madonna managed just three singles. Joe Greene absorbed the pitching loss, surrendering five runs (four earned) on 10 hits and two walks, with six strikeouts, in six innings.

Sunday's first game was similar to Saturday's second. The Crusaders got just five hits, Woodruff's RBI double their only extra-base hit. Chris Behrns started and took the loss, giving up three runs on five hits and two walks in five innings.

Sunday's second game was another story. Greene had three hits, including a double, and drove in three runs, and Mark Cole and Mario D'Hern (Livonia/CC) each had two hits (with a double) and two RBI. Greene doubled in three runs and Cole and D'Hern doubled in two apiece in Madonna's nine-run third inning.

Joel Halliday (Redford Union) was the winning pitcher. He allowed six runs (four earned) on nine hits and a walk, striking out five in seven innings.

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**WHALERS**

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Ottawa 67s for the OHL championship in a best-of-seven series starting Friday in Kitchener

"It was a great series," said Whalers coach Mike Vellucci a day after the loss. "It came down to Game Seven — what more can you ask?"

The Whalers never led in the final, with Campbell — traded to the Rangers, who are now coached by former Plymouth coach Pete DeBoer, for Ryan Ramsay — opening the scoring with a goal with 5:24 left in the second period. Derek Roy and David Clarkson assisted.

The Whalers tied it 2-2 in the third period when Karl Stewart knocked a shot past Ranger goalie Scott Dickie. Chris Thorburn assisted.

And that's the way it stayed until those 16 seconds of destiny that started with a soft shot from the point. After a deflection, the puck ended up behind Whaler goalie Paul Drew and Kitchener had its game-winning margin with 6:18 remaining.

Mike Richards got credit for the goal, with assists from Rafal Martynowski and Nathan O'Nabigon. Following the ensuing face-off, Campbell scored again, his 13th goal of the playoffs, with assists from Andre Benoit and Roy, to cement the victory.

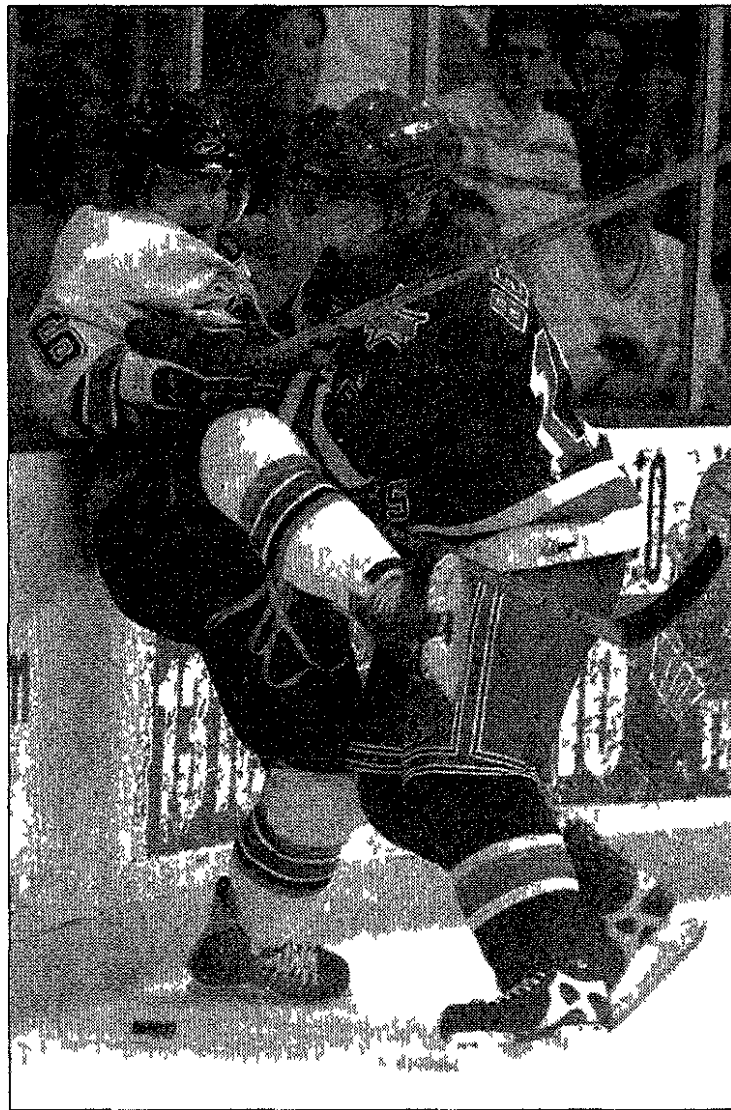
The Rangers had 35 shots to Plymouth's 34, with Dickie making 33 saves for Kitchener and Drew 32 for the Whalers.

"It was great hockey," said Vellucci. Asked if there was anything he might have done differently, something that could have changed the outcome of the series, he replied, "If you'd asked me that question last year, I would have said yes."

"But this year, no. Give our guys credit, they fought all season long, and they proved a lot of people wrong. We had to make a lot of changes and fill a lot of holes."

For a team that experienced a major turnover in personnel during the off-season, the Whalers did well to reach the conference finals. Indeed, they had a 3-2 lead in games going into last Saturday's contest at Compuware, but a four-goal second period doomed them. "Our guys were too nervous," said Vellucci. "They were too up, just too wound up."

Playing in front of an overflow crowd of more than 4,000 was certainly daunting, but the Rangers adapted. In the end, the defense that carried the Rangers to the conference finals got them through it, too. They surrendered five goals in the last two games while scor-



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Karl Stewart (6) here getting checked into the boards by Kitchener's Andre Benoit on Saturday accounted for the Whalers' only goal in Monday's game.

ing 10.

And now DeBoer, who guided the Whalers to the OHL Finals twice before leaving for Kitchener, is going back while Plymouth prepares for Saturday's OHL Entry Draft. Eliminate those 16 seconds and the outcome might have been different.

**Kitchener 7, Plymouth 4:** Until the Western Conference Finals, Kitchener had been the best defensive team in the OHL playoffs.

With the Whalers scoring four goals in Saturday's Game Six, one might think that would have been good enough to put Plymouth into the championship series. But seven goals by the Rangers ensured there would be a Game Seven.

Thanks to a hat trick from forward Petr Kanko, Kitchener defeated the Whalers in front of a sellout crowd of 4,057 at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

Kanko has been a thorn in the Whalers' side all series, between his playmaking ability and his abrasive play in the corners. His goals were timely in this game. His first tied the game 1-1 less than two minutes after Plymouth's Ryan Ramsey gave the home team the early advantage.

His second tally gave the Rangers a 3-2 lead as part of

their four-goal second-period outburst. His third goal proved to be a backbreaker for the Whalers, putting Kitchener ahead 6-3 with 7:59 left in the contest.

With 4:48 remaining, Plymouth coach Mike Vellucci rolled the dice and pulled goaltender Paul Drew to give his team an extra attacker. This tactic is rarely used with so much time left in the game, but Plymouth had held the momentum throughout the third period.

The gamble paid off to some extent when center Chris Thorburn scored on a quick shot on the short side with 2:27 left to cut the lead to 6-4. Although the Whalers generated more than 20 shots on goal in the third period, it wasn't enough, especially after Kitchener's Mike Richards sealed the win with an empty net goal with 8:11 seconds left.

Cole Jarrett and John Mitchell also scored for Plymouth, with Jonas Fiedler picking up two assists. Kitchener's Greg Campbell had a goal and two assists, while Derek Roy scored once and set up another goal.

Staff writer Brad Monastiere contributed to this story.

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**Shamrocks back on track**

Redford Catholic Central got back to work from its week off in fine style — taking fourth at the 23rd annual Jackson Invitational on Friday and rolling over Dearborn Divine Child in a Monday dual meet, 100-28.

"We did very well in both," said CC coach Tony Magni. "Jackson was very good for us and we had excellent times. Our kids responded very well. I felt we could have been third, but it didn't go our way in the end."

In Jackson, CC had 68 points overall in the nine-team meet, trailing East Lansing (85), Portage Northern (83) and Flint Central (75).

CC took no firsts, but had several other solid showings. Bill Makela was second in the 300 hurdles (41.3), Brian Doot and Kevin Mason were 2-3 in the 1,600 run in 4:34.2 and 4:36.4, and Dave Lucas, Max

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Working and Dan Horgan were 2-3-4 in the 3,200 run at 9:55.5, 9:55.9 and 10:02.2.

Makela was also third in the 110 hurdles (15.5), Nick Barrett was second in the discus (136-10), while Pat Clark was fifth (130-2) and Ryan Danescu was sixth (128-5). Clark (46-5 1/2), John Mulroy (45-5 3/4) and Jon Smart (44-8 1/2) were 4-5-6 in the shot put and the team of Mason, Brian Doot, Phil Synder and Lucas were fourth in the 3,200 relay.

"Our times are coming down," said Magni. "Our distance kids responded well and our throwers are our strong points. The sprinters are still young and need work, but they'll get stronger."

On Monday, CC took 10 firsts en route to the win

over the Falcons.

Zach Zrull won the long jump (18-9), Nick Barrett won the discus (130-1), Mulroy won the shot put (46-7 1/2), Lucas won the 1,600 run (4:40). Steve Mason took the 400 dash (54.7), Kevin Mason won the 800 run (2:07.0), Mike Palombo took the 200 dash (24.2) and Doot won the 3,200 run (10:31).

CC also took all four relays. The 3,200 (Kevin Mason, Phil Synder, Working, Doot, 8:34.9), the 800 relay (Makela, Palombo, Steve Mason, Rob Lawrance, 1:36.8), the 400 relay (Ed Moore, Dan Moore, Palombo, Lawrance, 46.9) and the 1,600 relay (Makela, Steve Mason, Lawrance, Kevin Salata, 3:46.0).

Brian Kisabeth took all four of CC's firsts — the 110 hurdles, 100 dash, the 300 hurdles and high jump.

**Ocelots finishing with a flourish**

With the end-of-the-season tournaments upcoming, the best way to prepare is to play to your potential.

Which is what Schoolcraft College's men's golf team has done, winning its last two tournaments as it readied for this week's Michigan Community College Athletic Association's Eastern Conference Tournament and next week's MCCA State Championship Tournament.

At Monday's Henry Ford CC Invitational at Dearborn Country Club, the Ocelots shot a 305 to easily better runner-up Henry Ford's 317. St. Clair County CC was third (330), followed by Oakland CC (334), Kirtland CC (352) and Wayne County CC (364).

All four SC golfers shot in the 70s at Dearborn, led by a 73 from Jay Smith (from Salem HS). Nikos Markellos (Redford

**COLLEGE GOLF**

Thurston) was next best with a 76, followed by Kevin Kasten (Livonia Churchill) at 77 and Jeremy Fendelet (Westland John Glenn) and Gene Harney (Woodhaven), both at 79 (low four scores count).

Last Thursday and Friday at the Oakland CC/Schoolcraft College Invitational, at Pontiac Country Club and Gateway Country Club, the Ocelots again emerged with the victory with a two-round total of 306-308/614.

Mott CC was second with a 308-310/618, followed by Muskegon CC at 315-307/622, St. Clair County CC with a 326-309/635, Henry Ford CC at 329-322/651, Oakland CC at 327-334/661, Alpena CC with 337-332/669, Wayne County CC at 351-336/687,

and Kirtland CC at 345-348/693.

Markellos ended up as low scorer among the Ocelots with rounds of 78 and 73 for a 151 total. Smith and Fendelet were next, Smith with a 74 and an 80 and Fendelet with two 77s for two-round scores of 154. Matt Darnell (John Glenn) contributed a 77 and a 78 for a 155, and Kasten had a 78 and an 82 for a 160. Harney shot an 80 and an 83 (163).

This week's conference tournament will begin at noon today, the second round is scheduled to start at 9 a.m. Friday. The two-round tournament is co-hosted by Kirtland CC and Alpena CC.

Next week's state championships will be May 7-8 at both Crystal Mountain Resort and Mountain Ridge Golf Course in Thompsonville.

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# Strong triathlon field doesn't faze Taormina

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

Livonia's Sheila Taormina is off to a fast start among some fast company on the women's pro triathlon circuit

On Saturday, Taormina finished runner-up to American Laura Reback in the International Triathlon Union St. Anthony's World Cup event in St. Petersburg, Fla. Reback, of North Palm Beach, Fla. ran shoulder-to-shoulder with Taormina in the 10-kilometer (6.2 mile) run, the final stage of the event, which also featured a 1.5K swim and 40K bike

St. Anthony's attracted four of the top six placers from the 2000 Summer Olympics

Reback's overall time was 1 hour, 54 minutes and 29 seconds Taormina, the two-time Olympian, finished in 1:54:37

Reback, who pulled away from Taormina during the final stages of the 10K run, clocked a 36:25 Taormina, the 1996 Olympic gold medalist in swimming (women's 4 x 200-meter freestyle relay), was timed in 36:39

Laura has always been talented, and when she's injury-free, she's tough to beat," said Taormina, who was runner-up at St. Anthony's last year to 14th-place finisher Michelle Jones, the defending champion from Australia

Germans Anja Dittmer and Joelle Franzmann took third and fourth, respectively, in 1:54:42 and 1:54:55

American Barb Lindquist, ranked No. 1 in the world, placed fifth in 1:55:02, while Australian Loretta Harrop took sixth in 1:55:24, followed by U.S. Olympian Joanna Zeiger (Baltimore, Md.) in seventh (1:55:42)

"It's probably one of the toughest fields you'll see of the year," said Taormina, who went 18:28 in the 0.9-mile swim and 58:16 in the 24.8-mile bike "The conditions were ideal We were able to go hard the entire race"

Despite a noon start, the weather for St. Petersburg was ideal with an air temperature of 21 degrees (Celsius) and a water temperature of 24 degrees The air was fresh following after a heavy rain and thunderstorms struck the Tampa Bay area overnight

Taormina, who placed sixth in the inaugural women's triathlon at the Sydney Olympic Games, has been training the past four months in central Florida at the USA Triathlon National Training Center in Clermont

She opened her 2003 season in March with a victory in Honduras

"It was a small field, but a good race to get under my belt and it was on a great course," Taormina said

The Stevenson High graduate and former All-America swimmer from the University of Georgia has gotten acclimated to the heat while training in Florida

But she still receives bike and run workouts from her coach in Ann Arbor, Lew Kidder, along with swim workouts from Greg Phill, her longtime coach at the Clarenceville Swim Club

"Everything here is convenient, but I get the same great coaching," Taormina said "I'm able to get out of the cold, but I still have good support services back home"

"I'm encouraged because I'm injury free and that's the key to consistent training My run training has gone well And I have access to physical therapy, which they can take care of the nagging injuries every day"

The next big race for Taormina is an ITU points event this weekend in Clermont Pan American Games spots are up for grabs

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THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL

Stafford Relays at W.L. Western 10 a.m.  
Rem Relays at Flat Rock TBA

Thursday May 1

Stevenson at Redford CC 4 p.m.  
Luth Westland at Clarenceville 4:30 p.m.  
Ply Christian at Roper 7 p.m.

Friday May 2

Canton at Franklin 4 p.m.  
Salem at John Glenn 4 p.m.  
Wayne at W.L. Central 4 p.m.

Saturday May 3

(all double-headers)  
Canton at Big 11 Tourn. (Farm HS) TBA  
Huron Valley at Taylor Baptist 10 a.m.  
Fordson at Franklin 11 a.m.  
Taylor Kennedy at Stevenson 11 a.m.  
Wayne at Garden City 11 a.m.  
Canton Agape at Bethesda 1 p.m.  
Salem at Novi 2 p.m.  
Redford CC at U.D. Jesuit 2 p.m.

PREP GIRLS SOFTBALL

Thursday May 1

John Glenn at A.A. Huron (2) 4 p.m.  
H.W. Regina at Ladywood (2) 4 p.m.  
Canton Agape at A.A. Greenhills 4:30 p.m.  
Luth Westland at Clarenceville 4:30 p.m.  
Huron Valley at Bethesda 4:30 p.m.

Friday May 2

Franklin at Canton 4 p.m.  
John Glenn at Salem 4 p.m.  
Wayne at W.L. Central 4 p.m.

Saturday May 3

(all double-headers unless noted)  
Brandon Invitational 9 a.m.  
Huron Valley at Taylor Baptist 10 a.m.  
Salem Invitational 10 a.m.  
Canton Agape at Bethesda 1 p.m.

PREP BOYS TRACK

Thursday May 1

Northville vs. Salem (Ply HS) 3:30 p.m.  
Canton at W.L. Western 3:30 p.m.  
Franklin at Churchill 3:30 p.m.  
W.L. Central at Stevenson 3:30 p.m.  
Wayne at John Glenn 3:30 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Luth Westland 4:30 p.m.

Friday May 2

Ply Christian at Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart, 1 p.m.

Saturday May 3

Observerland Relays at Farmington High  
3:30 p.m. field events 6:30 p.m. running events

PREP GIRLS TRACK

Thursday May 1

Salem at Northville 3:30 p.m.  
W.L. Western vs. Canton (Ply HS) 3:30 p.m.  
Churchill at Franklin 3:30 p.m.  
Stevenson at W.L. Central 3:30 p.m.  
John Glenn at Wayne 3:30 p.m.  
Clarenceville at Luth Westland 4:30 p.m.

Saturday May 3

Stevenson Invitational 10 a.m.

PREP GIRLS SOCCER

Thursday May 1

Luth Westland at Hamtramck 4:30 p.m.  
Ladywood at Notre Dame Prep 7 p.m.

Friday May 2

Franklin at Wayne 7 p.m.  
Troy at Stevenson 7 p.m.

Saturday May 3

Salem at Canton noon

PREP BOYS TENNIS

Friday May 2

Salem at W.L. Central 4 p.m.  
Redford CC at PH Northern 4 p.m.  
Churchill at W.L. Western 4 p.m.  
Franklin at Canton 4 p.m.  
Stevenson at Northville 4 p.m.  
John Glenn at Wayne 4 p.m.

Saturday May 3

CC at Grand Blanc Inv. 8:30 a.m.  
Franklin Monroe Inv. TBA

PREP GIRLS GOLF

Thursday May 1

Ladywood vs. Regina (Gowanie GC) 3 p.m.

Friday May 2

Kensington Invitational 11 a.m.  
Churchill at W.L. Western 2:45 p.m.  
Salem vs. W.L. Central (Bog e Lake) 3 p.m.  
Franklin vs. Canton (Hilltop) 3 p.m.  
Glenn vs. Wayne (Fellows Creek) 3 p.m.  
Stevenson at Traverse City TBA

Saturday May 3

Stevenson at Traverse City TBA

PREP LACROSSE

Thursday May 1

Forest Hills at Redford CC 5 p.m.

Saturday May 3

Novi at Redford CC 1 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL

(all double-headers unless noted)

Thursday May 1

Madonna vs. Rochester (Ford Field) 1 p.m.

Saturday May 3

Madonna vs. Siena Hts (Ford Field) 1 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Thursday-Friday May 1-2

WHAC Tournament at Battle Creek

Thursday May 1

Madonna vs. Spring Arbor 10 a.m.  
Tri State vs. Cornerstone 10 a.m.

TBA - time to be announced

SOCCER

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It seemed everything Nora tried worked in the second half. After Stevenson's Ashley Aja put a shot from 20 yards out off the crossbar 4:30 into the second half, the Spartans did not get another good scoring chance.

Salem got plenty of them. Melissa Sarkesian and Falcusan each put shots off the crossbar before the second half was half over, making Stevenson keeper Mindy Magoulck look unbeatable and the Spartans 2-0 lead seem uncatchable.

That changed with 20:23 left. Halle Burton earned the ball down the left wing for the Rocks, then crossed it into the box where Jane Dewitt gained possession, beating a Stevenson defender and Magoulck to give the Rocks their first goal.

The score fueled Salem's comeback. The pressure continued to mount, with the Rocks controlling the ball and keeping it in the Stevenson zone most of the time.

Which hardly surprised Pinta. "There was no question they'd come out strong (in the

second half)," he said. "There was never a point in the first half that I was too worried. But (Salem's) a great team. I knew they'd put up a fight."

It didn't help that one of the state's best players, junior forward Melissa Dobbyn, has been lost for the season to a knee injury and Aja, perhaps the Spartans' next best player, was still plagued by a case of bronchitis.

The tie would not come easily, however. They are a physical, come-at-you kind of team," Nora noted. "They've always got talent here."

When McCarthy's looping shot from the left wing following a restart rebounded off the far upper corner of the goal, it seemed fate might not be with the Rocks on this night. But with 5:15 left, Kelly Lepper — like Burton attacking from the right side — crossed the ball into the box, where Sarkesian outpositioned the Spartan defenders to get her head on the ball and send it past Magoulck, knotting it at 2-all.

While Salem had pressured in the first half, Stevenson played flawlessly, taking advantage of the chances it was afforded. The Spartans opened the scoring six minutes into the

match, Kate Howe taking a shot from outside the box that was deflected just as Salem keeper Heather Jones came out to pursue the ball. Lia Williamson got to it and knocked it in, putting Stevenson on the board.

The Rocks continued to have problems with the Spartans and with their own play, which cost them with 6:46 remaining in the half. Williamson simply carried the ball through the Salem defense on the left wing and crossed it to the right side for an easy finish by Lauren Brodie, making it 2-0.

"That was textbook," said Pinta. "I was impressed with the play of our forwards in the first half. But if you want to win, you have to play 80 minutes, not 40."

That would be something both teams should remember.

**Canton 3, Northville 0:** The Chiefs played well against W.L.A.A. Western Division rival Northville in the first half of Monday's match at Canton.

But in the second half, they played even better.

Canton scored all three of its goals after the intermission to take a commanding position in the race for a berth in the

W.L.A.A. title game. Kara Marsh scored two of them, with Erica Aherns getting a goal and an assist and Rachel Perry two assists.

"The girls really stepped up the tempo in the second half," said Canton coach Don Smith, his team now 5-2 overall, 3-0 in the W.L.A.A. and 1-0 in the division. "They're starting to create more opportunities."

"We played a very good second half."

But it was the defense, backstopped by keeper Briana Wolcott, that made certain the Chiefs were in the game with a strong first half. Smith credited defenders Andrea Johnson, Katie Esper, Alyssa Lindow and Katie Raker with strong play. Wolcott now has four shutouts to her credit.

"Our defense played a very tough ball game," said Smith. Marsh opened the scoring two minutes into the second half, with an assist from Perry. Aherns made it 2-0 five minutes later, Perry again assisting. Marsh's second goal came with 1:14 to play, Aherns assisting.

Both teams had 17 shots on goal.

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Hady Rahman (Stevenson)	53 2 5
Paul Stradner (Garden City)	49
10 25	
A. J. Simmons (Wayne)	48 2
Pat Clark (Redford CC)	47 3
John Mulroy (Redford CC)	46 7 5
Jason Leduc (Redford Union)	46 0
Dan Haller (Luth Westland)	45 11
Chris Snyder (Canton)	45 0 5
Bryan Frawley (Canton)	44 9
Patrick Higgins (Luth Westland)	44 8 5
Jon Smart (Redford CC)	44 8 5
<b>Discus</b>	
Chuck Cannon (Churchill) 150 6	
Paul Stradner (Garden City)	147 0
Marcus Gowdy (Thurston) 145 10	
Hady Rahman (Stevenson)	141 1
Nick Barrett (Redford CC) 136 10	
Pat Clark (Redford CC)	134 6
Ryan Danescu (Redford CC)	131 4
Mike Ghannam (Churchill)	131 4
Brad Wardmann (Canton)	131 1
Jason LeDuc (Redford Union)	128 9
<b>Long Jump</b>	
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	20 1 5
John Mitchell (Stevenson)	20 3
Dan Driscoll (Canton)	19 9
Doug Persondek (Garden City)	19 7 5
Rodney Preston (Canton) 19 6	
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	19 5
Andy Lynett (Franklin)	19 1
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	19 1
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn)	18 10
Derris Rolle (Redford Union)	18 9
Zack Zrull (Redford CC)	18 9
<b>High Jump</b>	
Joë Mielke (Franklin)	6 4
Brad Wardmann (Canton)	6 2
Glenn Garratt (Clarenceville)	6 2
Brian Graham (Franklin)	6 0
Matt Graham (Franklin)	6 0
Dave King (Franklin)	6 0
Dafre Johnson (Wayne)	6 0
Andy Rossow (Canton)	5 10
Josh Silvernail (Clarenceville)	5 10
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	5 10
<b>Pole Vault</b>	
Mike Bebow (Franklin)	12 0
Daf Driscoll (Canton)	11 6
Ryan Santa (Churchill)	11 6
Joh Chapman (Canton)	11 0
Michael Zahara (Churchill)	11 0
Rich Hensel (Canton)	10 6
Steve Kiljanczyk (Canton)	10 6
Daf Baseley (Luth Westland)	10 6

Joe Jackson (Wayne)	10 6
Aaron Reamy (Churchill)	10 6
<b>110-meter hurdles</b>	
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	15 4
Steve Kiljanczyk (Canton)	15 4
Bill Makela (Redford CC)	15 5
Chris Thomason (Salem)	15 7
Nick Karr (Churchill)	15 8
T. J. Winowiecki (Salem)	15 9
Brad Wardmann (Canton)	16 2
Enrique Garcia (John Glenn)	16 3
Ross Farquhar (Church II) 16 4	
Brian Graham (Franklin)	16 5
<b>300-meter hurdles</b>	
Bill Makela (Redford CC)	41 3
Steve Kiljanczyk (Canton)	41 9
Brad Zygmuntowicz (Redford CC)	43 1
Nick Karr (Churchill)	43 1
Joe Mielke (Franklin)	43 3
Dan Dinardi (Stevenson)	43 3
Curtis Crowl (Garden City)	43 31
Chris Thomason (Salem)	43 4
Jon Zerebiny (John Glenn)	43 4
Brian Soash (Canton)	43 6
<b>100 meter dash</b>	
T. J. Dillard (Wayne)	10 8
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	11 0
Corey Welsler (Canton)	11 1
Erik George (Churchill)	11 1
Andy Lynett (Franklin)	11 2
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn)	11 3
Robbie Mills (Franklin)	11 3
Derris Rolle (Redford Union)	11 3
Brandon Reeves (Canton) 11 3	
Kevin Bartos (Luth Westland)	11 5
<b>200-meter dash</b>	
T. J. Dillard (Wayne)	22 3
Devin Thomas (Canton)	22 4
Erik George (Churchill)	22 8
Eddie Brown (Thurston)	23 18
Derris Rolle (Redford Union)	23 2
Robbie Mills (Franklin)	23 2
Allen Lenz (John Glenn)	23 2
Francisco Beltran (Churchill)	23 5
Mike Wilson (Salem)	23 6
Brian Chandler (Stevenson)	23 7
<b>400-meter dash</b>	
Brian Soash (Canton)	51 1
Jesse Williams (Canton)	52 7
Brett Gerken (Stevenson)	53 2
Shane Azizi (Canton)	53 5
Trevor Hearns (Stevenson)	53 6
Tommy Thomas (Franklin)	53 9
Kevin Forgette (Churchill) 54 1	
Justin Hajduk (Salem)	54 3
Colin Hall (Stevenson)	53 5
Ben Moldenhauer (Luth Westland)	54 6

<b>800 meter run</b>	
Justin Brevick (Churchill) 2 02 1	
Keith Hearns (Stevenson) 2 04 0	
Nick Zink (Luth Westland)	2 04 13
Doug Novack (Stevenson) 2 05 0	
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	2 06 6
Joe Horka (Churchill)	2 06 8
Trevor Hearns (Stevenson)	2 06 9
Sam Anderson (Redford Union)	2 07 0
Kevin Mason (Redford CC)	2 07 0
Patrick Brown (Thurston) 2 07 4	
<b>1,600 meter run</b>	
James Gale (Churchill)	4 29 2
Brian Doot (Redford CC)	4 34 2
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	4 34 9
Justin Hajduk (Salem)	4 36 0
Kevin Mason (Redford CC)	4 36 4
Kevin Kane (Churchill)	4 40 0
David Lucas (Redford CC) 4 40 0	
Max Working (Redford CC)	4 41 3
Matt Gillespie (Stevenson)	4 42 9
Phil Snyder (Redford CC)	4 43 0
<b>3 200-meter run</b>	
Matt Gillespie (Stevenson)	9 52 2
David Lucas (Redford CC) 9 55 5	
Max Working (Redford CC)	9 55 9
Dan Horgan (Redford CC)	10 02 2
Aaron Lanning (Canton)	10 12 3
Trevor Step (Redford CC)	10 15 2
Justin Hajduk (Salem)	10 21 6
Brian Doot (Redford CC)	10 31 0
Kevin Kane (Churchill)	10 32 6
Sean O'Halloran (Stevenson)	10 38 2
<b>400 relay</b>	
Canton	44 7
John Glenn	44 9
Wayne	45 1
Church II	45 6
Franklin	45 7
<b>800 relay</b>	
Canton	1 33 3
John Glenn	1 33 9
Franklin	1 35 2
Stevenson	1 35 2
Redford CC	1 36 4
<b>1,600 relay</b>	
Stevenson	3 33 3
Churchill	3 35 0
Canton	3 37 5
Redford CC	3 42 6
Thurston	3 42 8 7
<b>3 200 relay</b>	
Stevenson	8 12 3
Churchill	8 12 4
Redford CC	8 28 4
Redford Union	9 00 0
Salem	9 09 0

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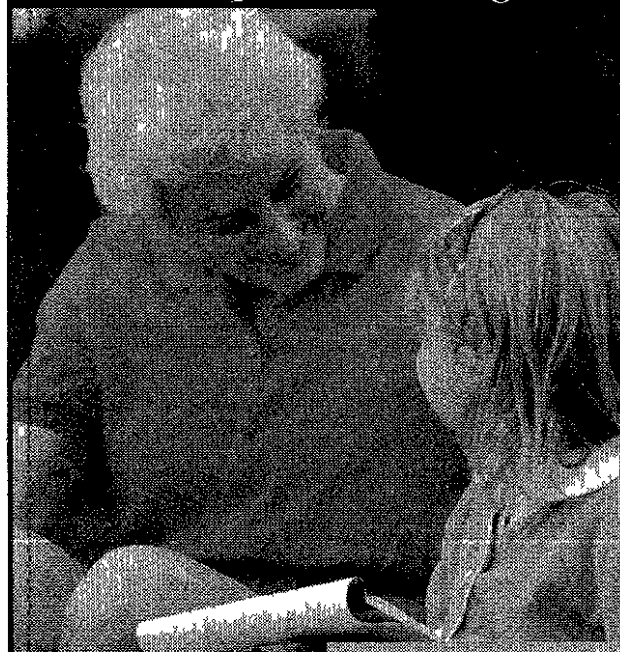
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<b>Shot put</b>	
Nia Henderson (Churchill)	40 7 7 5
Jessica Johnson (Canton)	35 6 2 5
Lauren Kmet (Franklin)	34 8
Jennifer Early (Salem)	30 9 5
Stephanie Waskiewicz (Churchill)	30 9
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	30 5
Jenna Hudy (Franklin)	30 0
Christin Jury (Ladywood) 30 0	
Sarah James (Franklin)	29 5
Jessica Jaskot (Churchill)	29 2
Katie Howard (Stevenson)	29 2
<b>Discus</b>	
Nia Henderson (Churchill)	123 6
Jennifer Early (Salem)	109 10
Lauren Kmet (Franklin)	109 1
Andrea Hurn (Stevenson) 104 0	
Alicia Krueger (Luth Westland)	98 1
Jessica Jaskot (Churchill)	94 3
Christin Jury (Ladywood) 93 6	
Erin Lovell (Franklin)	88 11
Sarah James (Franklin)	88 9
Rachel Cooper (Garden City)	87 9
<b>Long Jump</b>	
Mary Maloney (Canton)	16 5
Elizabeth Easter (John Glenn)	16 0
Andrea Nyberg (Canton)	15 6 2 5
Jennifer Anderson (Wayne)	15 6
Kathy Carey (Ladywood)	15 1
Jenny Timm (Luth Westland)	14 11 5
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	14 11
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	14 7
Natalie Wasio (Thurston)	14 6
To inia White (John Glenn)	14 6
<b>High Jump</b>	
Megan Kmet (Franklin)	5 1
Ashley McCall (Franklin)	5 0
Bethany Bartlett (Salem)	5 0
Megan Liewienski (Stevenson)	4 11
Khelli Wade (Wayne)	4 10
Connelia Simmons (Wayne)	4 10
Alyssa Supplee (Franklin) 4 10	
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	4 10
Lache Wilkins (Churchill)	4 9
Izabela Paszkowska (Canton)	4 9
<b>Pole vault</b>	
Jennifer Perkins (Stevenson)	8 6
Ashley Aquino (Salem)	8 0
Cassie Burnett (Garden City)	8 0
Amanda Bowmer (Franklin)	8 0
Kaitlyn Dugan (Churchill)	8 0
J. Q. Williams (Canton)	8 0
Pam Reasor (Canton)	7 9
Kara Karalis (Churchill)	7 6
Remy Brim (Churchill)	7 6
Jackie Demers (Churchill)	7 6

<b>100-meter hurdles</b>	
Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson)	16 0
Jenelle Miller (Stevenson)	17 4
Alisha June (Garden City) 17 47	
Amanda Tatro (Franklin)	17 7
Lindsay Kariniemi (Canton)	17 8
Lindsay Conklin (Churchill)	17 9
Chrystal Roza (Franklin)	17 9
Jenna Pratt (Stevenson)	18 2
Melissa Kneppshield (Churchill)	18 3
Dominique Gray (Wayne)	18 4
<b>300 meter hurdles</b>	
Rebecca Fedrigo (Churchill)	50 3
Kaitlin Armstrong (Stevenson)	50 6
Alisha June (Garden City) 50 91	
Lindsay Conklin (Churchill)	52 2
Amanda Richardson (Stevenson)	53 2
Lindsay Kariniemi (Canton)	53 4
Katie Cezat (Canton)	53 7
Jenelle Miller (Stevenson)	54 0
Gretta Melvin (Thurston)	54 14
Emily Seiter (Churchill)	54 2
<b>100-meter dash</b>	
To inia White (John Glenn)	12 6
Alyse White (Churchill)	12 6
Christina Redd (Canton)	12 7
Pamela Bryant (Franklin) 12 7	
Lache Wilkins (Churchill)	13 0
Mary Maloney (Canton)	13 1
Kathy Carey (Ladywood)	13 2
Jocelyn Flowers (Thurston)	13 24
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	13 29
Elizabeth Sturdy (Stevenson)	13 3
Alyssa Supplee (Franklin) 13 3	
Megan Kmet (Franklin)	13 3
Allison Collins (Stevenson)	13 3
<b>200-meter dash</b>	
Alyse White (Churchill)	26 4
Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	26 4
Christina Redd (Canton)	26 5
Tiffany James (Wayne)	26 6
Andrea Nyberg (Canton)	27 2
Kristy Sobran (Stevenson)	27 2
Lache Wilkins (Churchill)	27 4
Deana Felix (Thurston)	27 5
Mary Maloney (Canton)	27 6
Alex Dooley (Thurston)	27 9 3
<b>400-meter dash</b>	
Linda Montgomery (Stevenson)	58 9
Alyse White (Churchill)	59 7
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	1 02 6
Lache Wilkins (Churchill)	1 03 0
Sarah Stobbe (Canton)	1 03 8
Amanda Sculthorpe (Stevenson)	1 03 9
Maura Mulcahy (Ladywood)	1 04 7
Michelle Lager (Canton)	1 04 9
Kate Tuomi (Clarenceville)	1 05 4
Chantal Moore (John Glenn)	1 05 6

<b>800-meter run</b>	
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	2 25 6
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson)	2 29 8
Laura Friedman (Salem)	2 31 5
Kelly Gibbons (Stevenson)	2 31 4
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	2 31 5
Andrea Giczewski (Stevenson)	2 32 4
Meghan Wafer (Thurston) 2 34 0	
Kylan Cieslak (Churchill)	2 36 7
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	2 37 0
Pam Nagalski (Franklin)	2 38 7
<b>1,600-meter run</b>	
Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson)	5 27 5
Heather Sirko (Stevenson)	5 27 5
Meghan Wafer (Thurston) 5 33 0	
Kylan Cieslak (Churchill)	5 33 7
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	5 33 8
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	5 34 0
Michelle Phillips (Churchill)	5 34 2
Nicole Schmidt (Churchill)	5 37 1
Rachel Wodyka (Churchill)	5 40 6
Becky McCormack (Canton)	5 58 0
<b>3,200-meter run</b>	
Heather Sirko (Stevenson)	11 54 0
Nicole Schmidt (Churchill)	12 09 2
Nicole Renaud (Churchill) 12 09 9	
Sarah Westrick (Churchill)	12 18 0
Sara Pilon (Stevenson)	12 26 0
Kylan Cieslak (Churchill)	12 26 4
Sarah McCormack (Canton)	12 45 0
Kristyn Green (Stevenson)	12 48 6
Kirstian Tyler (Franklin)	12 57 8
Becky Barrett (John Glenn)	13 09 0
<b>400 relay</b>	
Canton	52 6
Stevenson	53 9
John Glenn	54 0
Garden City	54 07
Franklin	54 3
<b>800 relay</b>	
Stevenson	1 49 4
Canton	1 51 7
John Glenn	1 51 8
Franklin	1 56 7
Garden City	1 56 84
<b>1,600 relay</b>	
Churchill	4 22 2
Stevenson	4 22 7
Canton	4 27
Thurston	4 32
John Glenn	4 34 6
<b>3,200 relay</b>	
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Stevenson	10 05 9
Canton	10 21 4
Ladywood	10 56
John Glenn	11 02 1

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**RELAYS**

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seniors to help lead the way for the Chiefs

"Steve Kijanczyk (hurdles) has put his time in," he said "Last year, he ran really well and this year he has really come into his own

"Aaron Lanning has been leading our distance crew and has been performing really well this year"

Look for Canton's strengths to be in the field and sprint events In the field, Chris Snyder and Bryan Frawley will anchor the shot, while Brad Waidmann will do the same in discus and high jump Dan Driscoll and Rodney Preston will be asked to contribute in the high jump

In sprints, Corey Walser, Devin Thomas, Brian Soash and Jesse Williams will pace the Chiefs

As for the Chargers, they still have a bitter taste in their mouths from last year, and they hope to get rid of it Saturday

"I know our team is pumped up, we lost by one point last year," said head coach Rick Austin of the Livonia City champs "I know our seniors want to come out and show that they can compete for the title"

Mid-distance and throwing are Churchill's strong suits going into Observerland

"Our mid-distance crew has some speed with James Gale, Justin Brevick and Kevin

Forgette," said Austin, "We have some strong throwers in Adam Bogenschultz, Chuck Cannon, Anthony Morelli and Michael Ghannam"

The Chargers will be led by Erik George in the sprints and Kevin Kane in distances

"Observerland is dear to me," said Austin "I ran in it in the '70s and our team won three times while I was a runner It's one of the state's premier relay events, we always have awesome teams competing"

One of those other "awesome" teams is on the other side of the city, Livonia Stevenson The Spartans hope to rebound from spring break and injuries to take the Observerland title

"We just came off of spring break and that may of hurt us a little bit," said interim head coach Scott Shaw "A lot of our kids left for break We also have a couple of injuries and I hope they will be OK by Saturday, but I don't want to rush them back"

One area where Stevenson should excel is in the throwing events where senior Hady Rahman has thrown an area best 53 feet, 2 5 inches in the shot put

"Our shot and disc throwers are doing a good job," Shaw said "We probably have one of the best shot putters in the league in Rahman"

The middle distance and distance runners should be strong, with Brett Gerken, Keith and Trevor Hearn, Doug Novack and Matt Gillespie leading the charge

In sprints look for Brian Chandler and Dave King to set the pace for Stevenson

Redford Catholic Central is coming into the event with the idea of turning a few heads Although not as strong as they have been in the past or as strong as some of the other teams coming in, the Shamrocks hope to have a few tricks in store

"Going into Saturday's meet, I think our distance kids and throwers will respond well," said head coach Tony Magni "If our young sprinters do well, and I think they will, we will surprise some people"

Leading the pack for the Shamrocks will be Brian Doot, Kevin Mason, David Lucas and Max Working in the distances

"Our distance boys can run two events and do really well," said Magni "I think they are four of the better runners around

In the field look for throwers Pat Clark, John Mulroy, Nick Barrett and Ryan Danescu to pull off some points for CC

"They have done really well at the Elks and at Jackson, so they are really used to the competition," said Magni

All in all, the Shamrocks are a well-rounded team and should show up and make some noise

"This is one of the events the kids look forward to because of the local atmosphere Everyone knows each other," said Magni "A lot of our kids live in the area and know others from the local schools With their friends

there, it will give them more incentive to do well"

The last team looking to stake their claim on the title is Farmington Hills Harrison The Hawks have moved into a new league this season, but are still familiar with the local teams

Harrison, the two-time defending Division II state champion, should be strongest in the sprints with Marcus Woods leading the pack At the Farmington Public School meet, the tailback headed for Missouri ran a 10 9 in the 100-meter dash

Woods will get a severe challenge from Wayne Memorial junior T J Dillard, who has gone 10 8 in the 100

Also contributing in the sprints for Harrison will be Charles Stewart, Charles Pickett, Rob McCall and Mike Bartley

The Hawks could get some points from their vaulters Brett Laird and Remy Sulaman

Other schools vying for the team title include the host Falcons, North Farmington, Salem, Northville, Wayne, Lutheran Westland, Westland John Glenn, Garden City, Redford Thurston, Redford Union, Northville, Livonia Franklin, Livonia Clarenceville, Southfield-Lathrup and Redford Bishop Borgess

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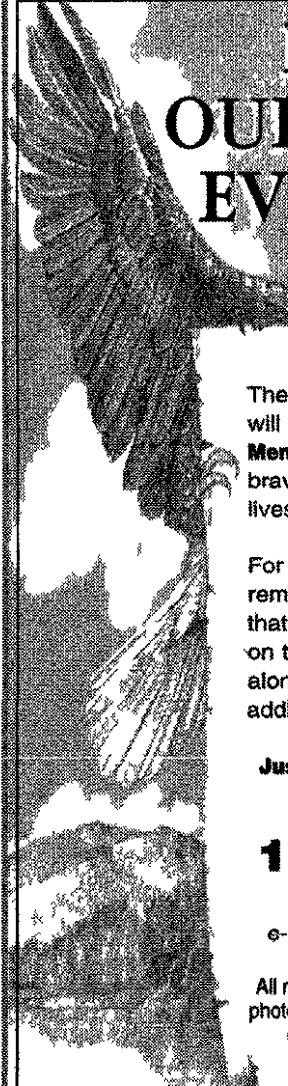


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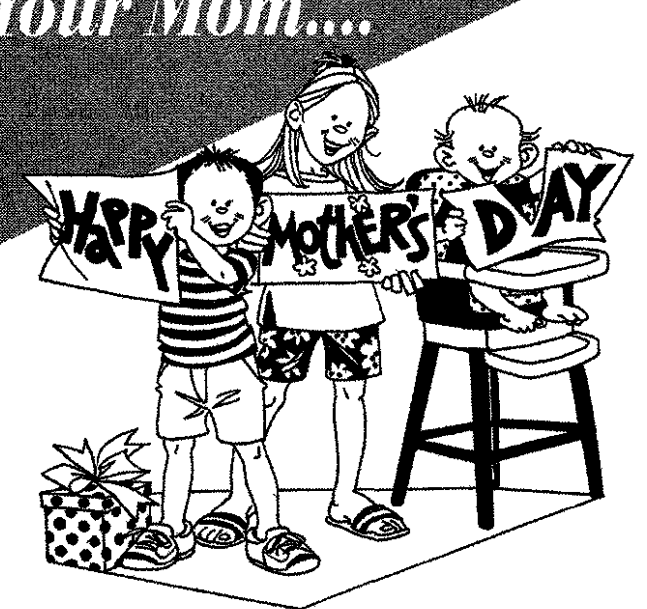
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**BASEBALL**

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the losing pitcher Salem committed five errors in the game Last Saturday in Cincinnati, the Rocks split their two games, losing 9-5 to Princeton (Ohio) but beating Western Hills (Ohio) 14-8 In the loss to Princeton, Dylan Tobin suffered the pitching loss Salem outthit Princeton 11-9 but stranded nine baserunners as Princeton broke a 2-2 tie after three innings with a five-run fourth Drew Parling paced the Rocks attack with three hits, Andy Thackaberry and Steve Cox contributed two hits apiece Against Western Hills, Salem scored six runs in the fifth inning to break a 7-7 deadlock Dave Pawlukewicz pitched 3 2/3 innings of strong relief to pick up his first varsity win and assure the Rocks a 2-2 split on their spring trip Thackaberry and Stevland Davis each had three hits for Salem, Davis scoring three runs

**Catholic Central 15, Light and Life 0:** Redford Catholic Central (11-2) posted a mercy-rule win in four innings Monday over host Taylor Light and Life CC pitcher Bob Henderson, making his first start on the mound, allowed just one hit, a lead-off single to Bill Cline in the second inning Henderson had three walks and six strikeouts Kyle Crepeau lifted CC at the plate with three RBI, two runs scored and a pair of first-inning doubles Ryan Gallagher was 2-for-3 with three RBI and a run scored, Todd Tindall, 2-for-2 with an RBI, Mike Monterey and Jeff Schulz both doubled

**Catholic Central 4-11-9, Notre Dame 2-0-0:** The Shamrocks swept a double-header from Harper Woods Notre Dame on Saturday, 4-2 and 11-0, as well as winning a suspended game from the Fighting Irish before the twinnbill, 9-0 The Shamrocks improved to 8-2 in the Central Division with the three wins over Notre Dame Leading 5-0 in the second inning of the game suspended from April 2, the Shamrocks scored four more runs, while shutting down the Irish on two hits Marrone (2-0) got the win in relief of original starter Drew Amble and struck out nine with a walk Steve Schmuck pitched in relief of Mike Valente and walked four and allowed four hits Jason Gingell led CC with a double In the scheduled double-header, a first-inning error led to both Fighting Irish runs - which scored on a double by Paul Natschke Monterey went 3-for-4 with an RBI and Eric Vojtkofsky had an RBI Schulz (2-1) struck out 10, walked six and allowed four hits in getting the win, while Pat Simon fanned 10, gave up seven hits and had eight walks in taking the loss CC hit well in the second game, using 13 hits for the 11-0 win Monterey was 2-for-5 with a double and two RBI, Crepeau, 2-for-3 with three runs scored and two walks, Schulz, a pair of hits, a sacrifice fly and three runs scored, and Henderson, two singles Monterey (4-0) also earned the win on the mound, yielding three hits, a walk and nine strikeouts Steve Gallus took the loss for Notre Dame

# Chiefs' rally too much for Panthers

Redford Union has only won two softball games this season, but the Panthers put a scare into Canton on Tuesday, staying even with the Chiefs until the sixth inning before falling, 5-0 at RU "We played our best game of the year, said Panthers' coach Brian Sloma "They got a couple of solid hits in the sixth inning, we made a couple of mistakes to complicate it and they wound up with five runs They only had three hits in the inning" Renee Ross led Canton (9-3 overall) with a pair of triples and a run batted in in the non-conference victory Kim Diedrich was 2-for-3 with a run scored and Serena Gorney was 1-for-3 with a run scored and an RBI Katie Pelc and Courtney Rosen topped RU (2-8 overall), each going 2-for-3 Michelle Roelofs got the win for the Chiefs, giving up three walks and striking out five in six innings Molly Conlon fanned two in the seventh inning Amy Corbin (1-5) suffered the loss for RU, allowing seven hits, three walks and five runs (four earned) in seven innings with three strikeouts "We played six innings today, next time we need one more

solid inning and to be able to hit the ball," said Sloma "We played a much better game than we have been (playing)" On Saturday at the Chelsea Invitational, the Chiefs posted a 1-2 record, losing 8-1 to Okemos and 3-1 to Chelsea and beating Holt 12-0 In the loss to Okemos, Jonelle Brown had three of Canton's five hits Conlon was the losing pitcher Against Chelsea, Brown had two hits and a run batted in as Conlon again suffered the loss, giving up three runs on eight hits and no walks, striking out eight Against Holt, Ross was the winning pitcher in the five-inning mercy She allowed five hits but did not walk a batter Carlin McNicholas led the attack with three hits and three RBI, Brown added two hits and three RBI, and Amber Pilot had two hits and two RBI

**Salem 3, W.L. Central 2:** Talk about wild finishes Salem, playing its first game in 12 days and against one of its top rivals in the WLAA's Lakes Division, scored three runs in the seventh inning Monday at Walled Lake Central to edge the Vikings "We had a great time in



Canton third baseman Sarina Gorney comes up firing after fielding a bunt Tuesday against Redford Union

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Mandy Bradley started Salem's three-run, seventh-inning rally with a single Ashley Bilkie went in to run for Bradley and, when they tried to get Bilkie at second on Brook Posler's grounder, Bilkie beat the throw Alycia Murawski's shot up the middle loaded the bases for Alison Proodan, who hit a grounder on which the Vikings tried to get Bilkie at home but missed, tying the score at 1-all with no one out Emily Maletic was retired on a grounder to third, but not before the go-ahead run scored Susan Woodard reached base on an error by the shortstop, scoring Proodan with Salem's third run Central managed to get one run back in the bottom of the seventh, but Kelli Szczepanski held the Vikings off after that to pick up the victory Szczepanski pitched all seven innings, surrendering two runs on four hits and one walk while striking out five The win gave Salem a 7-3 overall record, 2-0 in the Lakes Division and 2-1 in the WLAA Central is 4-5 overall, 1-1 in the Lakes Maggie Tudor paced the Rocks' attack with two hits

St Pete (ersburg, Fla.); said Rocks' coach Bonnie Southerland, referring to the team's spring break. "Obviously, all the hard work paid off We came back with a big Victory against Walled

Lake Central "The girls knew if they want to win the division Central is going to be the team to beat My seniors really stepped up and made the big plays at the time we needed them most"

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<b>FREE</b> canceled check return	YES	NO	NO	NO
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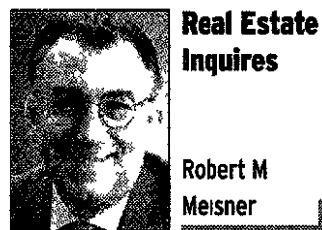


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Competitive pricing information was obtained directly from banks through deposit offers the week of April 14, 2003. For illustrative purposes accounts were assumed to average monthly checks per month, checks returned with statements, seven entire bills paid per month, low foreign ATM transactions per month, two check orders per year and one money order per month. All savings figures are approximate.  
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**Real Estate Inquires**

Robert M Meisner

## Questioning inspection, workshop

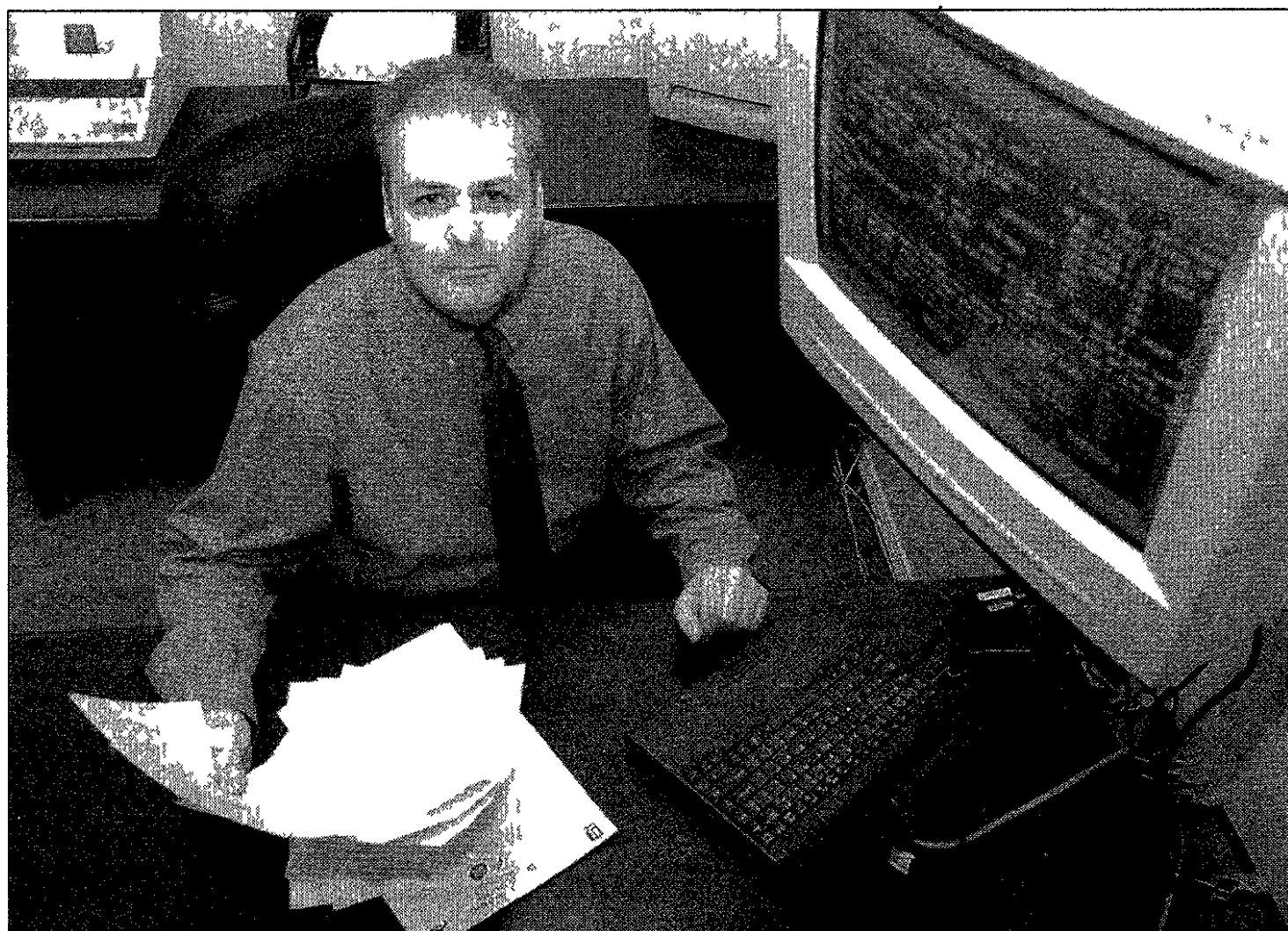
We had a problem with our home inspector and believe I have legal recourse against him for negligence and breach of contract. He has put in a one-year Statute of Limitation which he has thrown in my face as being enforceable. Do you have a comment on that since it has been a year and a half since he performed his services?

Contractual Statute of Limitations are always subject to contest if they are shorter than the applicable statutory Statute of Limitations. In this case, I can only point to a California case. A provision in a home inspection contract limiting all contract and tort claims to one year from the date of inspection was deemed unreasonably short and would not be enforced by the California Court of Appeals. I believe that may be a good precedent for similar situations in other states although you must contact an attorney to advise you of your particular rights.

We have a resident who has built a workshop next to his house on a lot where there is a restriction "for single family residential purposes only." Do you think we can keep him from doing so?

In a similar case out of Louisiana, the court indicated that a building used for residential purposes is one in which people reside or dwell, or in which they make their homes, as distinguished from buildings from which people conduct business or commerce. Since the court in that case found the workshop was not used for a commercial purpose, but rather it was to be used by the owner to restore his car, the court considered that consistent with residential use.

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TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Curb appeal can help a house stand out from the competition, says Bill Grisamer, a Realtor with RE/MAX Hometeam

## When housing supply increases, buyers can afford to be choosy

BY DOUG FUNKE  
STAFF WRITER

Picky buyers have hot buttons which transform them from lookers to purchasers. Push the right buttons, make a sale.

Nowadays, it's even more important – and difficult, apparently – to appeal to more selective purchasers, judging from figures reported by Realcomp II, a multi-listing sales and tracking service in south-eastern Michigan.

Active residential listings – 22,615 – as of the end of March increased 22 percent compared to 2002, while sales – 7,409 – during the first quarter decreased 6 percent.

"The thing I think slowing down the market now is consumer confidence," said Bill Clark, sales manager with Coldwell Banker Schwitzer in Clarkston. "People are a little indecisive. The war has distracted a lot of people, the economy and weather. We expect the market to open up at the end of April, early May."

And when it does? "It's no different than at any time in my 35 years in the business," Clark said. "The house has to be cute, clean and priced right. It doesn't matter whether it's an \$80,000 starter home or a million dollar property."

"It has to have curb appeal, well-maintained or priced for condition. It's got to look good, smell good," he said.

### PRICE IT RIGHT

Effective pricing wins sales, said Michelle Michael, associate broker with RE/MAX Classic in Farmington Hills and a 17-year veteran.

"The more competition there is, the more aggressive a seller has to be in pricing," she said. "I don't recommend that people start at a higher price and figure they can come down. The longer they wait, the more houses come on the market for sale."

Buyers today will negotiate within a 1-3 percent range from what they're willing to pay and won't even waste time looking at a home that's much higher than comparables, Michael said.

"Offer incentives – assist with closing costs, offer terms like FHA financing," she added.

Sellers who have experienced tremendous appreciation in value over the years may even want to consider offering a bargain and listing a tad lower than the competition – especially if they're in a hurry to move, Michael said.

Buyers love deals. "You have to look at the bigger picture here to be much more flexible," Michael said.

### EDUCATED BUYERS

Nadine Henderson, Realtor with Quality GMAC, Livonia, agrees that buyers push the pricing envelope now.

"They want the best deal they can find," she said. "There's a tendency, many times, for a home to be overpriced. It used to be that someone fell in love with a house. It was all emotion."

"Buyers aren't that way so much any more," Henderson said. "They're more intelligent, more educated making offers. They know how much it costs to make corrections to things that need to be done. If sellers need to sell, many times they may have to negotiate at the buyer's level."

Henderson believes that buyer agency – where an agent works solely for a purchaser – has helped buyers become more aggressive.

Tracey Toppa, a Realtor with Century 21 John Cole in Redford, has seen the market cycle in favor of purchasers. "Buyers out there who are serious can be picky. They can go with the best deal," she said.

And what's a deal? "All updates are done – newer cabinets in the kitchen, newer windows," Toppa said. "Big ticket items are newer so they don't have to walk in and put in a roof, furnace or central air in the next few years. They want that done before they buy that house."

"The home has to be maintained well – not new, but kept up," Toppa said.

Bill Grisamer, a Realtor with RE/MAX Hometeam in Westland, specializes in representing buyers.

"Definitely, the first thing they like is curb appeal," he said. "If people like the

outside, they definitely want to see the inside. If it doesn't look good, they assume the inside is the same."

### ATTENTION TO DETAIL

Curb appeal specifically means grass mowed, bushes trimmed, flower beds weeded, cracks in sidewalks and driveways filled, curb swept, windows clean, screens in good repair, door painted.

"Financing now definitely is a hot button," Grisamer added. "For a point there, they (rates) were at a 40-year low. They've been creeping up a little bit, but they're substantially lower than three or four years ago."

Good Realtors impress purchasers with their assistance, said Beverly Grove, associate broker with Max Broock in Birmingham.

"They all check the Internet before they come to me, but they still want an agent to sort things out for them," she said. "In the end, they have to see the house."

"Location is still very important," Grove added. "Not next to railroad tracks or commercial property. People do like a nice neighborhood, established, with trees, good school district. Even empty nesters with no kids want that for resale value."

Glenda Byers, affiliated with Real Estate One in Rochester, picks up on that theme.

### IN SUMMARY

"A lot like to have some privacy in their back yards, not the standard, open subdivision lot," she said. "Some trees in back, maybe backing to a wetlands area or a park."

"When people walk into a house, they want that uncluttered feeling, a good smell cheery and fresh," Byers added. "That creates a real positive image in their mind."

Updated kitchens and baths with fresh countertops and stainless steel appliances also impress, she added.

"And the house has to be priced right," Byers concluded. "Some high-end houses have seen some correction."

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### Mortgage Bits

Tim 'Timbo' Phillips



## Financially healthy get best loans

"Do you exercise regularly? Do you smoke and drink? Are you overweight?" While these questions have nothing to do with your ability to get a mortgage, they have everything to do with helping you understand how to get yourself a good one.

Before an insurance agent grants a person a health or life policy, he completes an analysis of the individual. The person's ability to get insurance coverage is based on things like his family history, any pre-existing conditions, and his daily lifestyle.

Some people are barely insurable while others present virtually no risk to the insurance company. The insurance company adds up, or "layers," the different risk factors to determine if the person is insurable and, if so, the amount of their premiums.

The mortgage lending business is very similar to the insurance industry in that lenders must make a similar determination about a borrower's financial health. Rather than asking about your physical strength and endurance, lenders ask about your income and debts. Instead of reviewing your family history, they look at your credit history. Lenders seek to determine one thing: Will you repay your home loan?

As mortgage lenders perform their risk analyses, they give the best interest rates and loan terms to "healthy" borrowers. Others pay higher interest rates and bigger down payments.

How can you be a strong borrower? Lenders want to see you pay your small bills on time before they give you a big bill to pay. Thus, your credit scores usually have the heaviest impact. It also gives them security to know they are lending money to somebody who does not spend every dime he or she earns. Savings and investments show financial solvency. A solid work history in the same career field and a substantial down payment can strengthen your borrowing position even more.

Just as people with "pre-existing conditions" can become insured, mortgage borrowers with recent bankruptcies and previous collections can get home loans. It should be no surprise, however, that the costs these mortgage borrowers incur may be very different from their "healthy" contemporaries.

Timothy J Phillips is a mortgage specialist and newspaper columnist. You may reach him at (734) 451-8267 or via www.HomeQuartersBiz.com. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

MORTGAGE OVERVIEW		
Rate	Location	Percent
Here are	Atlanta	5.78%
average	Los Angeles	5.80
rates for 30-	Dallas	5.83
year fixed	Philadelphia	5.83
mortgages	Washington, DC	5.85
with 20% or	Boston	5.90
down in the	New York	5.93
largest	San Francisco	5.95
metro areas	Houston	5.97
as of April 2,	Chicago	6.10
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Source: Bankrate.com and Associated Press

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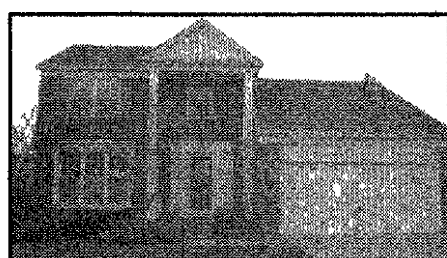
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These are the Observer & Eccentric-area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of Dec 16 20 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office Listed below are cities addresses and sales prices

Canton	Price	Garden City	Price	Redford	Price
42100 Addison	\$188 000	5866 Belton	\$116 000	25301 Five Mile	\$48 000
8328 Alton	\$170 000	6416 Elizabeth	\$145 000	9139 Appleton	\$130 000
47081 Ashley	\$367 000	31545 John Hawk	\$126 000	8980 Arnold	\$156 000
42444 Barchester	\$140 000	28741 Maplewood	\$112 000	9581 Beech Daly	\$120 000
1920 Brookline	\$210 000	32649 Marcella	\$167 000	12159 Berwyn	\$110 000
48991 Brooklyn	\$113 000	32893 Six Mile	\$213 000	14155 Brady	\$140 000
49026 Brooklyn	\$100 000	38190 Ann Arbor Trail	\$90 000	18720 Dalby	\$123 000
3638 Brooklyn	\$277 000	29644 Bentley	\$195 000	15512 Denby	\$146 000
3758 Brooklyn	\$225 000	14255 Brentwood	\$173 000	17373 Denby	\$75 000
6829 Brookshire	\$270 000	16004 Brentwood	\$170 000	26019 Dover	\$134 000
7190 Camelot	\$235 000	20146 Brentwood	\$138 000	14226 Fenton	\$160 000
590 Cherry Grove	\$278 000	36244 Curtis	\$231 000	18497 Indian	\$121 000
610 Cherry Grove	\$237 000	17121 Dolores	\$167 000	14778 Inkster	\$134 000
649 Cherry Grove	\$239 000	15467 Ellen	\$170 000	19344 Inkster	\$31 000
42790 Colling	\$205 000	15544 Fitzgerald	\$198 000	18427 Lennane	\$97 000
423 Concord	\$238 000	19437 Fitzgerald	\$293 000	18834 Lexington	\$108 000
433 Concord	\$209 000	38710 Five Mile	\$239 000	9062 Lucerne	\$114 000
266 Constitution	\$202 000	15681 Foch	\$164 000	12095 Lucerne	\$105 000
1767 Crestview	\$271 000	11241 Garden	\$170 000	15835 Negaunee	\$145 000
44249 Darthmouth	\$247 000	30870 Greenland	\$220 000	15440 Norborne	\$145 000
1376 Delancy	\$110 000	8905 Harvey	\$170 000	17729 Olympie	\$122 000
1464 Delancy	\$130 000	30409 Hathaway	\$175 000	9189 Riverdale	\$120 000
1465 Delancy	\$100 000	9182 Houghton	\$176 000	9027 Riverview	\$120 000
1480 Delancy	\$135 000	14180 Ingram	\$170 000	10034 Royal Grand	\$103 000
1495 Delancy	\$100 000	19162 Levan	\$455 000	14392 Salem	\$162 000
1510 Delancy	\$185 000	17827 Levan	\$224 000	26419 W Seven Mile	\$49 000
1210 Dundee	\$294 000	27800 Long	\$138 000	16942 Wakerden	\$144 000
6488 Edgewood	\$286 000	15224 Middlebelt	\$55 000	15036 Winston	\$165 000
383 Elmington	\$408 000	38883 Minfon	\$163 000		
43139 Fernwood	\$175 000	19991 Osmus	\$163 000		
49105 Fifth Avenue	\$111 000	29649 Ravine	\$209 000		
49155 Fifth Avenue	\$230 000	39089 Reo	\$250 000		
45882 Fountain View	\$407 000	17550 Rexwood	\$178 000		
48240 Gladstone	\$452 000	31326 Roycroft	\$179 000		
7391 Green Meadow	\$210 000	19639 Saint Francis	\$150 000		
2019 Hendrie	\$367 000	20113 Saint Francis	\$120 000		
8282 Holly	\$190 000	31775 Scone	\$166 000		
3988 Hunters Cir	\$155 000	19359 Shadyside	\$164 000		
48117 Inveraray	\$421 000	18592 Shrewsbury	\$278 000		
48190 Inveraray	\$430 000	8937 Sunbury	\$143 000		
427 Lenox	\$455 000	28404 Terrence	\$95 000		
1340 Liberty St	\$103 000	17959 University Park	\$171 000		
42483 Lilley Po nte	\$133 000	18353 University Park	\$137 000		
2129 Lone Wolf	\$205 000	9269 Virginia	\$175 000		
7252 Memorial	\$245 000	15367 W Blue Skies	\$269 000		
970 N Beck	\$351 000	31715 W Chicago	\$215 000		
6807 N Beck	\$246 000	32610 W Chicago	\$192 000		
44416 Newburyport	\$126 000	16500 Westbrook	\$200 000		
7167 Oakleaf	\$335 000	28984 Westfield	\$172 000		
1994 Oakview	\$208 000				
1688 Orchard	\$179 000				
1766 Orchard	\$82 000				
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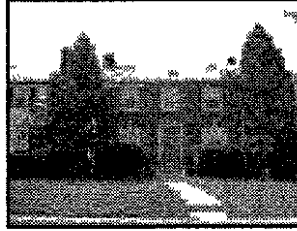
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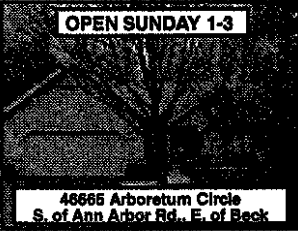
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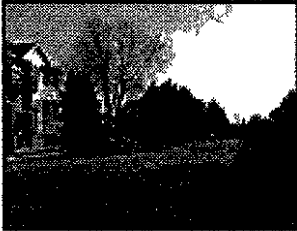
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**John Toye**, broker/owner of

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**BRIEFS**

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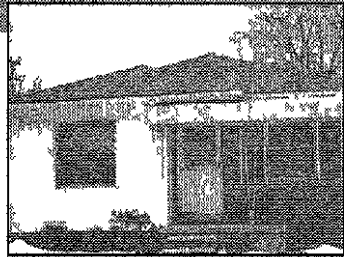
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**CANTON** - Just Like new 1999 Townhouse 3 bedroom 2.5 bath! Great room w/natural fireplace has marble surround Formal dining room w/doorwall to deck Kitchen has upgraded 42 oak cabinets Ceramic baths & 1st fl laundry 2 car attached garage w/drywall Clean & ready to move in! (38SAR) 734 455 5600



**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Forest Creek Condo Gorgeous 2 bedroom 3.5 bath 2 story condo with open floor plan & sky lights 2 way fireplace in great room 1st floor MBR w/double shower in BA Fantastic finished LL w/kitchen & media center Many extras \$499 900 (11CHE) 248 349 5600



**BRIGHTON** - Lake Privileges Beautiful 4 bedroom 3 bath home w/updated kitchen w/island and doorwall to deck Master bedroom w/full bath and French doors to deck Family room w/gas fireplace and doorwall to patio 2 car garage and privileges on Lake of the Pines \$265 000 (11RED) 248 349 5600



**DEARBORN** - Cape Cod 3 bedroom 1 bath brick home Freshly painted refinished hardwood floors Spacious family room updated kitchen basement 2 car garage and the list goes on \$184 900 (01NIG) 248 349 5600



**GARDEN CITY** - Just Like New 2 bed rooms 2 car garage Newer roof furnace copper plumbing windows CA H20 tank cement circuit breakers Berber carpet (12x10) Florida room steel entry doors deep lot Immediate occupancy Turn key & move in \$129 893 (71BAL) 734 455 5600



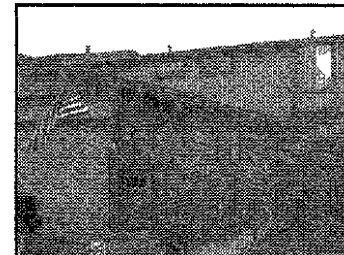
**WESTLAND** - Elbow Room at a Modest price Large 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch w/newer roof windows siding & remodeled kitchen & bath Family room w/fireplace basement & large 2 car garage All this in most desirable sub \$164 900 (39LAW) 734 455 5600



**PLYMOUTH** - Beautifully Maintained Private unit w/3 bedrooms 2 full baths walk in closet ceramic tile foyer & baths Gas fireplace in living room wood paneling off deck Neutral colors thru out Newer furnace & hot water heater open snack bar basement for storage & oak cabs in kitchen \$159 900 (25SYC) 734 455 5600



**LOVELOY UPDATED CONDO** Upper 2 bedroom unit w/open floor plan Large master bedroom w/WIC Attached garage Neutral decor t/o Cathedral ceilings in living room Newly remodeled bath Doorwall in living room to balcony Close to park \$127 900 (10HID) 248 349 5600



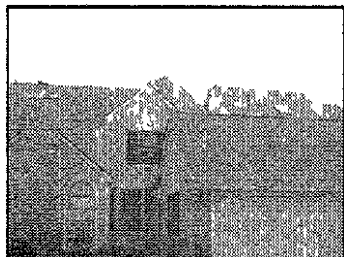
**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Incredible Home Highly desirable area offers this awesome condo Nice kitchen w/newer dishwasher Sunny breakfast nook Formal dining area Open floor plan Spacious master w/WIC Ceramic entry basement Garage door wall to patio & grill \$169 900 (19TWE) 248 349 5600



**WESTLAND** - Private & Secluded This 2 bedroom 1.5 bath condo backs to wooded area w/private front porch & doorwall to deck Newer carpeting & 6 panel door Large master bedroom w/access to full bath Full basement & great floor plan \$149 900 (41KIN) 248 349 5600



**GARDEN CITY** - Unique Colonial Rare to own a unique home with open layout w/spiral staircase to upper level Many updates neutral decor Large deck overlooking beautiful yard \$134 950 (08CAM) 734 455 5600

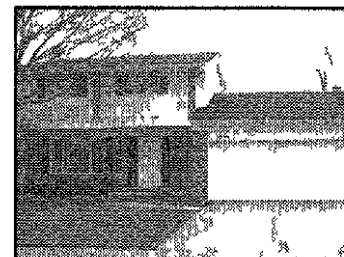


**NORTHVILLE** - Links of Northville 2 bedroom 2.5 bath condo w/2 car attached garage basement family room w/door wall cathedral ceiling fireplace & newer carpet 1st fl laundry master bedroom w/master bath w/whirlpool tub & skylight Better than new \$318 000 (18LOC) 734 455 5600



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**CANTON** - Terrific 3 BR 1.5 BA colonial on private court w/large fenced yard Sunroom off FR Andersen windows & newer floor covgrs since 98 Main bath w/master access Newer light fixtures crown molding and remodeled 1/2 bath \$225 500 (49HAN) 248 349 5600



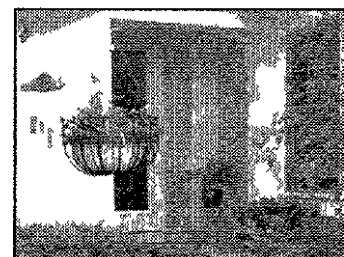
**FERNDALE** - Tax Advantage Why rent when you can own for the same amount & take your tax deductions? Move in ready 2 bedroom ranch near downtown Fun city park & x ways Updated bath & kitchen Fenced yard garage All appliances & home warranty included \$95 000 (21HAR) 248 349 5600



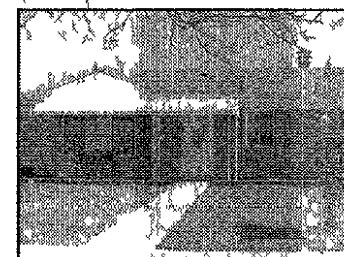
**TAYLOR** - Wonderful 2 Story Home! Large 5 bedroom 2 full bath brick home w/newer roof furnace & CA Partially finished basement Close to schools & shopping \$169 900 (55CRY) 734 455 5600



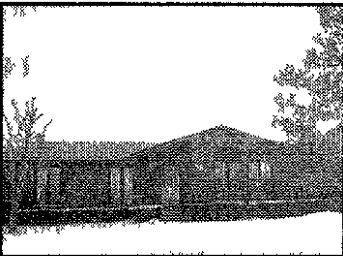
**DETROIT** - A Must See 5 bedroom 1.5 bath colonial w/large living room & dining room eat in kitchen + home warranty \$75 000 (92MOR) 734 455 5600



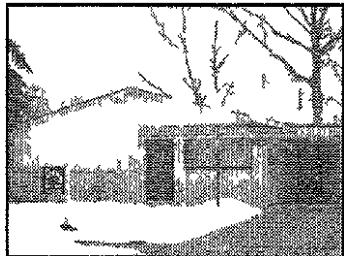
**WEST BLOOMFIELD** - Outstanding Value Custom quality features galore This 2 BR 3.5 BA unit was built for the builder's daughter Offers a gourmet kitchen living room/formal dining room w/2 way fireplace FR huge MBR suite FFL finished LL & more Truly top of the line everything \$309 000 (02DAN) 248 349 5600



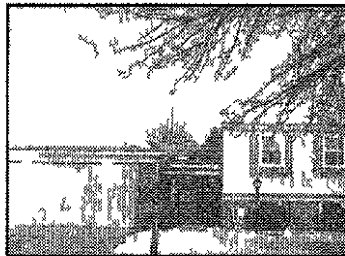
**WESTLAND** - All Brick Ranch 3 bedroom home completely redone in 2001 Newer bright kit bath interior & front doors CA wndws gar roof door & siding Privacy fence Indscped drive & walkways Newer carpeting & paint in neutral Newer appls stay Lots of stor & FFL Livonia schls \$143 887 (64FLA) 248 349 5600



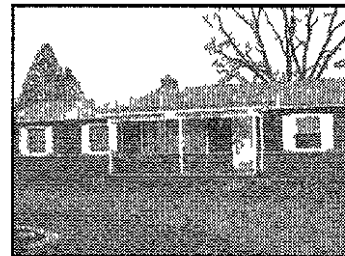
**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Regal Rural Ranch Lovely 3 bedroom 3 bath brick ranch w/oversized 2 car attached garage sitting on almost 5 acre + basement new roof in 2000 Built by master carpenter country kitchen w/dark oak cabinets & loads of counter space \$274 900 (13EDG) 734 455 5600



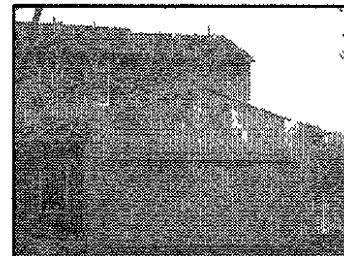
**PLYMOUTH** - Move In Condition Affordable updated 3 bedroom ranch w/open floor plan vaulted ceilings on a large lot Updates include furnace w/n downs doorwall interior doors bath w/ceramic tile & newer carpet \$154 900 (25PAR) 734 455 5600



**CANTON** - Impressive & Spacious Tri level w/3 bedrooms 1.5 baths 2 car attached garage complete newer kitchen roof wndows & CA Located on a court yard w/great curb appeal Fenced yard w/deck & playscape Family room w/fire place formal living room & dining room all appls \$198 900 (24TER) 734 455 5600



**LIVONIA** - Wonderful Ranch on Approx 1 Acre Immaculate 3 bedroom home is loaded with charm and is fully updated Formal dining room with fireplace Finished basement circular drive and much more \$239 900 (33MER) 248 349 5600



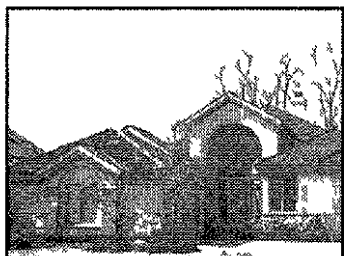
**WATERFORD** - Maintenance Free Living Well maintained end unit condo w/2 MBRS 2 full baths Large kit w/plenty of storage Great room with doorwall to deck that overlooks pond with fountain to enjoy summer nights Basement 2 car attached garage All this & 1 year home warranty \$143 000 (36LOC) 248 349 5600



**GARDEN CITY** - Move Right In This spacious N Garden City ranch has 3 bedrooms 1 + 2 half baths family room w/fire place basement dining room & more All appliances are included Come take a look \$149 900 (11BRI) 248 349 5600



**CANTON** - Gorgeous Updated Ranch Brick ranch w/3 bedrooms 2.5 baths open kitchen overlooking family room w/cathedral ceiling fireplace & skylight profess fin basement w/wet bar kitchen bedroom bath living area Inground pool 2.5 car attached garage backs to park like setting \$226 000 (56FER) 734-455-4500



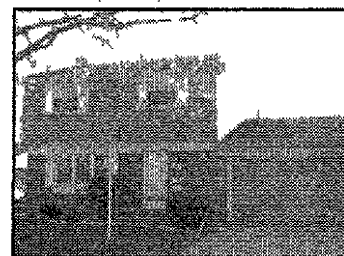
**DEARBORN** - Gorgeous Executive Condo 3350 sq ft ranch presents 2 bedrooms 3.5 baths finished basement 2 car attached garage in gated community at the TPC golf course overlooking fairway Master suite w/jetted tub & separate shower spacious white kitchen w/granite counter \$899 900 (5PRES) 734 455 5600



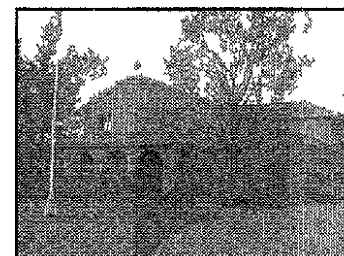
**PLYMOUTH** - Classic Custom Brick Ranch in Plymouth Brick courtyard entrance! 4+ bedrooms 3.5 baths cathedral ceiling hdwd fir newer carpet in GR volume ceiling t/o! French doors to lib Bay wndws in DR & brkfst room spacious MS w/jetted tub & WIC finished LL walk out to patio \$589 900 (15WES) 734 455 5600



**ROCHESTER HILLS** - Spectacular Georgian Colonial w/all the updates Newer carpet updated BAs & large rooms The level of care and updating in this solid well built home will amaze you Near golf shops & x ways \$369 900 (77CHE) 248 349 5600



**PLYMOUTH** - Nicely Maintained Colonial Real nice home in Arbor Village sub 3 BRs 1.5 BAs 2 car attached garage & bsmt Large spacious rooms Family room w/natural Fieldstone fireplace/skylight Newer wndows some carpet & kitchen floor Large fenced yard 1 year home warranty \$218 900 (57RUS) 248 349 5600



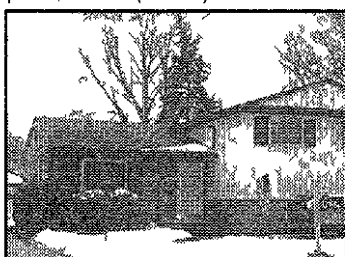
**MILFORD** - What A View! Approximately 5.79 acres of trees nature & privacy nestled into Kensington Metro Park 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial w/many updated amenities such as white island kitchen updated baths hardwood stone flooring & many more Finished walk out \$474 900 (00VAL) 248 349 5600



**WESTLAND** - Fabulous Find 3 bedroom cape cod style home w/many updates Must see to appreciate it truly 2 full baths Beautiful landscaping \$169 999 (26GLE) 734-455-5600



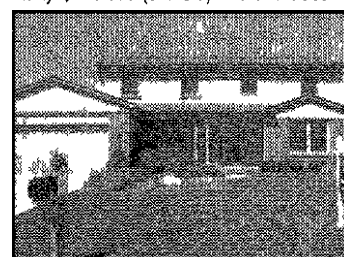
**DEARBORN HGTS** - Charming Brick Bungalow Cute 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick bungalow w/2 car garage basement w/5 bath Large master bedroom CA kitchen appliances & 1 year home warranty (28ROC) 586 778 8100



**LIVONIA** - Great Location Walk to park & school from this 3 bedroom 2 bath tri level w/2 car garage updated windows & door wall furnace CA driveway + updated bath w/ceramic tile & vanity Also home warranty \$184 900 (81WIS) 734 455 5600



**LIVONIA** - Hard to find 3 bedroom 2.5 bath newer ranch The ceramic foyer well comes you into the open great room w/fireplace The double doors invite you into the master BR w/tray ceiling Open kitchen full basement & large fenced yard \$294 900 (76TAY) 248 349 5600



**NORTHVILLE** - Fresh and Beautiful Ready for the most demanding buyer 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial Neutral newer carpets Large deck and porch Northville Schools Good x way access Home warranty included \$334 900 (77WEA) 248 349 5600



**GREEN OAK** - Picturesque Wooded Lot Approx 1 acre w/4 spacious bedrooms 3.5 baths & custom throughout Private deck off master suite 2 story great room w/fireplace finished walk out basement Extensive landscaping w/lighting \$449 900 (01SIL) 248 349 5600



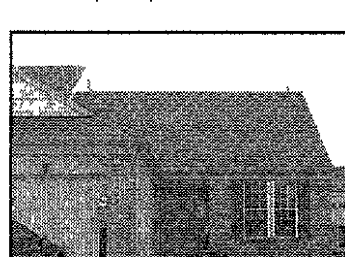
**PLYMOUTH** - Plymouth In Town Just blocks from all the downtown activities 2 bedroom bath & half condo w/extra storage space Florida room adds bonus living space All appliances included Home Warranty & immediate occupancy \$135 900 (28KEL) 734-455-5600



**PLYMOUTH** - Classic Plymouth Colonial Favorite neighborhood! Walk to park & downtown curb appeal + wider lot! Most hardwood floors formal dining room w/cherry wainscoting crown molding library has mahogany wood accents built in desk & French doors to family room \$320,000 (08ROC) 734 455 5600



**DEARBORN** - Colonial Charming Beautiful brick 4 bedroom colonial in desirable location Many updates & finished basement attached garage & hardwood floors \$239 900 (00YOR) 734 455 5600



**CANTON** - Beautiful Condo Charming and cozy one and one half story condo with fresh paint Pergo floors ceramic bath & spacious kitchen Shows like a model \$172 500 (33HUN) 248 349 5600



**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Charming country atmosphere yet close to freeway & shopping One owner custom built ranch offers 3 bedrooms 1.5 baths plus full basement & 2 car garage attached by breezeway Hardwood floors & wet plaster walls Built ahead of its time \$229 900 (53POW) 248 349 5600



**BRIGHTON** - Welcome To Your Dream Home Custom built colonial on a wooded lot 3 spacious bedrooms 2.5 baths walk out LL & FFL 3 car side entry garage Gourmet kitchen w/French doors leading to cedar sunroom w/hot tub Brighton Schools \$399 900 (83SIL) 248-349-5600

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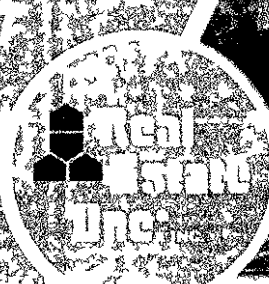




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**PLYMOUTH** \$309,900  
**LIGHT & BRIGHT OPEN FLOOR PLAN!** Wonderful 3 BR 2 5 bath home with unbelievable price! Neutral tasteful decor 1st floor mstr 2 story GR w/gas FP & lg deck perfect for entertaining (74WEN2)

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**FAMILY FRIENDLY HOME!** 4 bdrm 2 5 bath col Fin bsmt w/home office Patio off nook FR w/ trpic kit w/island Hrdwd flrs in foyer extra storage in gar neut decor Wooden playscape (23C41483)

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**PLYMOUTH** \$295,000  
**IMMACULATE CONDO IN SMALL COMPLEX!** Close to downtown Plymouth open floor plan w/ fin d LL Bright kitchen with island Main floor mstr w/WIC & spa tub 3 BR & 2 5 baths (14STO2)

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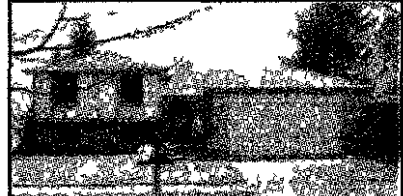
**CANTON** \$249,900  
**COZY 3 BR 2 5 BATH COLONIAL** featuring kitchen w/island/snack bar FR w/tpsl & vaulted ceiling fin d lower level new exterior paint & lights Formal LR & DR Move in ready! (17RIV2)

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**PLYMOUTH** \$249,900  
**A HARVEST OF FEATURES!** Tree lined st 3 bdrm 1 5 bath ranch LR dining area Hrdwd flrs in newer kit Newer roof & wndws FR in bsmt w/frpic screened prch 2 car gar Walk to town (23B1314)

734-455-7000



**CANTON** \$242,500  
**PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP!** Sharp 4 BR 2 bath home with over 2000 SF Lg kitchen w/frms of storage freshly painted interior deck & sprinkler system (58ADM2)

248-348-6430



**FARMINGTON HILLS** \$234,100  
**THE HOME YOU'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR!** 3 BR 2 5 BA Marble FP fin bsmt w/full BA & rec rm neutral fresh paint updates incl fr wndws gar DR kit carpets & more Best price in sub Warranty (B34675)

734-591-9200



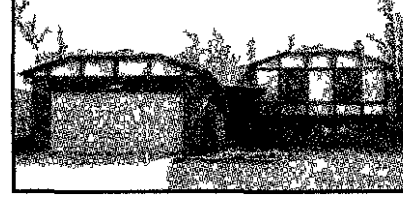
**LIVONIA** \$226,500  
**BEAUTIFUL NEWER RANCH ON 1/2 ACRE SITE** Neutral decor pride of ownership thru out nice finished bmt w/rec rm lg deck overlooks wooded lot w/park like setting 3 BR 2 BA open fr pin all appl (M20490)

734-591-9200



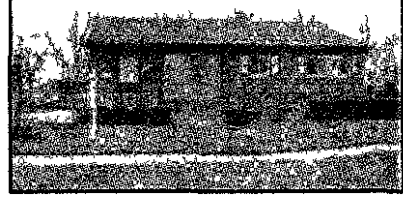
**LIVONIA** \$220,000  
**QUALITY UPDATED RANCH IN TIFFANY PARK!** Charming home w/3 BR 2 bath 1188 SF new roof kitchen windows & more! Fin d bsmt w/natural FP & 4th BR or office! Professionally landscaped! (82HIX2)

248 348-6430



**CANTON** \$214,900  
**SPACIOUS CANTON QUAD!** Warm neutral 4 bedrooms 2 baths Family room with fireplace Bright kitchen with oak cabinets Great backyard with mature trees (23S727)

734-455-7000



**LIVONIA** \$196,900  
**MOVE RIGHT IN!** Roomy 3 bedroom brck ranch with loads of updates & upgrades Family room with fireplace 2 5 baths finished basement 2 5 car garage (W30711)

734-591-9200



**WESTLAND** \$194,500  
**MOTIVATED SELLER!** 3 bdrm 2 bath ranch Lots of room New roof furnace carpet appliances All furniture negotiable Nice big yard Close to shopping & recreational facilities (23S34736)

734-455-7000



**WESTLAND** \$189,900  
**BEAUTIFUL BROWNSTONE CONDO** Comfortable living on all 3 floors Bay windows on 1st & 2nd floors fireplace hardwood floors near shopping & restaurants Must see to appreciate! (C877)

734-326-2000



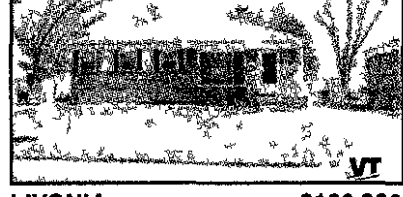
**REDFORD** \$189,900  
**LOCATION, QUALITY, VALUE & CHARM** This 1500 SF 3 BR brk ranch has it all New fr furn w/car fin bsmt living rm w/FP 10x14 sun rm 2 car gar Located in a Western Golf Club subdivision (D26336)

734-591-9200



**WESTLAND** \$169,900  
**POPULAR FAMILY SUB** 3 BR home with 2 full baths finished lower level with wood burner & den or 4th BR C/A 2 1/2 car remod kit & baths Plus more! (V370)

734-326-2000



**LIVONIA** \$166,900  
**UPDATES GALORE!** 3 BR 1 5 BA updated kit w/pergo newer carpet & neutral paint Indoscp vinyl wndws r/copper plumb furn & c/a fin bsmt w/bar ingrd pool w/prvcy fnc (C11340)

734-591 9200



**CANTON** \$164,900  
**SPRING SPECIAL!** Move right in! Charming Canton 3 bdrm ranch LR w/natural fireplace Wonderful large kitchen w/pantry Finished bsmt Deck Fenced lot You'll love this one! (23E1398)

734-455-7000



**NORTHVILLE** \$163,900  
**3 BR, NORTHVILLE CONDO!** Enjoy the 3 lakes pool clubhouse & tennis courts! Nearly 1 400 SF & rec room in LL! Brick patio sunken LR w/gas FP & more! (09DAR2)

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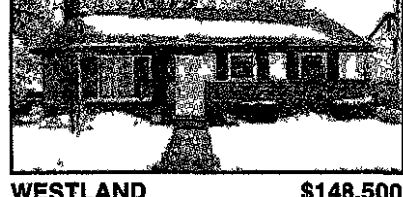
**LIVONIA** \$156,900  
**YOU LL WANT TO CALL THIS HOUSE YOUR HOME** xtra SF w/4 season heated Florida rm Newer fr wndws furn elec Hwh Nice open fr plan lots of counter space in kit fin bsmt Great Livonia area & schools (C28085)

734-591-9200



**REDFORD** \$149,500  
**BEAUTIFUL MANICURED BRK RANCH** in private area of Redford Hardwood flrs under car pet updated elec copper plumb fr furn air natural FP in LR finished bsmt knotty pine added FR (D15016)

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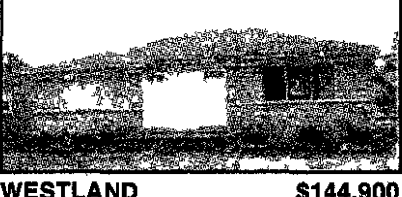
**WESTLAND** \$148,500  
**WESTLAND W/LIVONIA SCHOOLS!** 3 BR 1 5 baths 1 566 SF CA & newer furnace (approx 5 yrs old) Detached 2 car garage & home warranty included (93DON2)

248-348-6430



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** \$145,999  
**OPEN NEW BIG BRIGHT KITCHEN** all updated and freshly painted Updated throughout entire home ceramic bath hardwood floors good size living room and family room Two driveways! (K596)

734-326-2000



**WESTLAND** \$144,900  
**GREAT INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY!** Rent 1 live in 1 Rent both! Each has 2 bedrooms basement appliances reconditioned approx 2 yrs ago new furnaces and C/A Hurry!! Priced to sell (S246)

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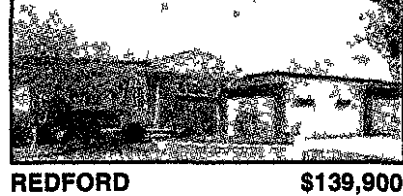
**DEARBORN** \$139,900  
**BARGAIN OF THE BLOCK!** 1186 SF 3 BR 1 5 bath Bungalow Part fin d bsmt garage Upts include roof windows copper plumbing c/a security system furnace & hwh (50CHO2)

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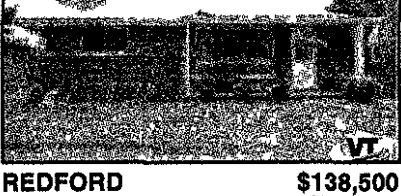
**REDFORD** \$139,900  
**RARE FIND DESIGNED WITH OPEN FLOOR PLAN** Charming home offers natural light with important amenities eat in kit large living room remodeled bath fin bsmt new carpet fresh paint windows & more! (W26651)

734-591-9200



**REDFORD** \$139,900  
**AFFORDABILITY SAYS IT ALL** Well maintained 3 BDRM 2 full baths brck ranch w/2 car attached garage Home features C/A fresh paint & best of all it's clean and ready to move in! (S249)

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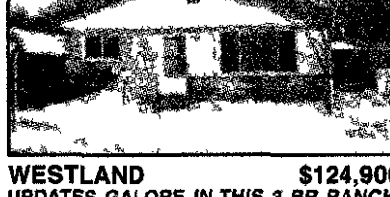
**REDFORD** \$138,500  
**QUALITY 3 BR, 1 5 BA BRICK RANCH** with finished basement 2 car garage fenced & landscaped yd newer furn & c/a new roof & carpet Location value & charm! (S14148)

734-591-9200



**REDFORD** \$126,900  
**WONDERFUL RANCH ON NEARLY 1/2 ACRE!** Beautifully decorated clean & neutral LR has cozy FP DR totally updated kit newer fr new carpet crown moldings 2 car attd gar 3 BR nearly 1400 SF (G20045)

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**WESTLAND** \$124,900  
**UPDATES GALORE IN THIS 3 BR RANCH!** Oversized 2 car garage newer kitchen bath windows doors a/c 2002 Come see for your self! (K33732)

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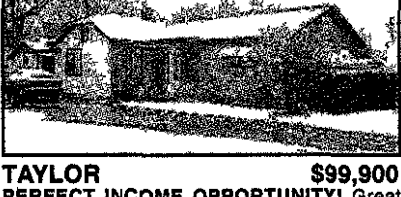
**REDFORD** \$124,900  
**STYLISH & CHARMING HOME** has been art fully decorated with many updates including both baths kit vinyl siding newer fr You won't believe how cute this is inside & out (S20091)

734 591-9200



**ROMULUS** \$119,900  
**ROOM TO ROAM! LARGE LOT** Ranch w/ attached garage barnstyle shed w/loft Home has 2 or 3 bedrooms large family room w/woodburning stove newer windows and home warranty (G114)

734-326-2000



**TAYLOR** \$99,900  
**PERFECT INCOME OPPORTUNITY!** Great investment! Cute 3 BR Ranch & one BR apartment above a 2 car garage! Nice quiet residential setting with a lg yard Live in one & rent out the other! (G2MAY2)

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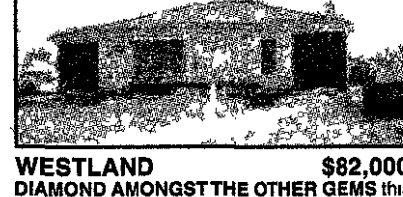
**INKSTER** \$99,900  
**BEST CURB APPEAL ON THE BLOCK** 3 bedroom brck bungalow with newer roof newer cement newer windows inground sprinklers & much more! Newer light fixtures 2 window air conditioners (W263)

734-326-2000



**WESTLAND** \$86,500  
**BEAUTIFUL UPPER LEVEL CONDO W/POND VIEW** from patio Close to shopping center and restaurants New carpet Livonia Schools Enjoy the clubhouse pool and tennis court All appliances included (W749)

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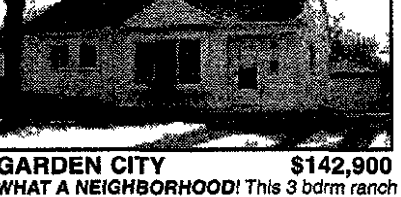
**WESTLAND** \$82,000  
**DIAMOND AMONGST THE OTHER GEMS** this adorable condo has a professionally finished basement Newer furnace & AC Bathroom has been newly remodeled Located on the curve of a private cul de sac (S252)

734-326-2000



**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** \$164,900  
**LARGE BRICK RANCH ON A CORNER LOT,** 2 car attached garage large family rm w/fireplace kit has built ins C/A lg basement w/an additional fireplace and much more! (T401)

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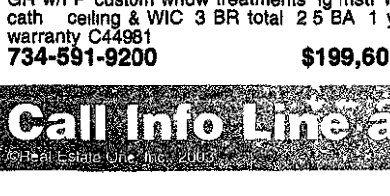
**GARDEN CITY** \$142,900  
**WHAT A NEIGHBORHOOD!** This 3 bdrm ranch makes a great start for some lucky buyer Hrdwd flrs in bdrm & under carpet in LR Newer furnace & C/A Deck off back 2 5 car gar w/opener (23R30955)

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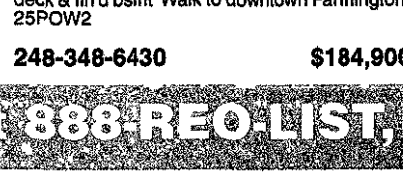


**PLYMOUTH** \$289,900  
**WELCOME SPRING** in your new home! Walk to downtown Plymouth Hardwood floors through out both levels many updates Beautiful tree lined street Don't miss this one!(23A608)

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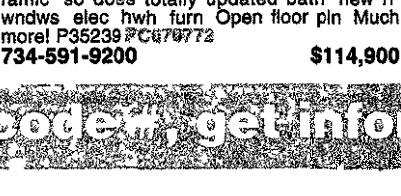
**CANTON**  
**BEAUTIFUL CONDO** neutrally decorated Gen erous use of ceramic thru out soaring ceiling in GR w/FP custom wndw treatments lg mstr w/cath ceiling & WIC 3 BR total 2 5 BA 1 yr warranty C44981  
734-591-9200 \$199,600



**FARMINGTON**  
**CLEAN & COZY 3 BR 2 BATH BRICK RANCH!** Updates include kitchen windows roof c/a deck & fin d bsmt Walk to downtown Farmington! 25POW2  
248-348-6430 \$184,900



**WESTLAND**  
**MINT CONDITION WESTLAND CONDO!** 2 BR 1 5 bath Condo has oak kitchen new carpet vinyl flooring & freshly painted vinyl windows ceramic foyer & huge mstr w/walk in closet 92CAR2  
248-348-6430 \$124,900



**WESTLAND**  
**PREPARE TO BE DAZZLED!** Everything is new Dream kit has new cupboards cntrs sink & ceramic so does totally updated bath new fr wndws elec hwh furn Open floor plan Much more! P35239 #C476772  
734-591-9200 \$114,900



**LIVONIA**  
**WARM & WONDERFUL BRK RANCH** 3BR 2 full bath attd heated gar w/wrkshp newer hickory kit cabs & Bruce hrdwd flrs sauna hot tub on gazebo brk paver w/fire pit lg mstr ste w/prvt BA  
734-591-9200 \$224,900

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1st mo rent ONLY \$300  
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**BIRMINGHAM** 2 bedroom townhouse hardwood floors newer kitchen \$850/month (248) 797 2629

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**BIRMINGHAM** 1 bedroom near town sharp \$725/mo includes carport heat water air appliances 248 855 9655 or ShareNet (248) 642 1620

**CANTON** Large 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath townhouse ideal location Completely remodeled \$1050 734 320 1846

**CANTON** 3 bedroom condo excellent location Very clean new upgrades No pets non smoking \$925 734 459 7289

**CANTON CONDO** 1200 sq ft 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath C/A all appliances full basement 1 car garage large wood deck \$1195/mo + deposit (734) 223 4273

**FARMINGTON - DOWNTOWN** 1 bedroom condo heat included reserved parking \$700/mo (248) 661 4638

**Farmington Hills** All new lower 2 bedroom 2 bath gas fireplace air carport \$1100 D&H Properties 248 737 4002 www.dhproperty.com

**LIVONIA** 1080 sq ft 2 bed room 2 bath A/C carport cathedral ceilings washer dryer water included \$1050/mo 313 363 5400

**SOUTHFIELD** Beautiful 1 600 sq ft 2 bedroom 2 1/2 bath condo 2 car attached garage private entrance rear patio 1st floor laundry full basement \$1250/mo 248 855-8110

**ST CLAIR SHORES** Golf course luxury ranch condo for lease 1 bedroom furnished 586-294 2668

**TROY** 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath townhouse updated base ment Wattle Creek Condos 3654 Old Creek Rd No pets/smoking 248 641 8920

**WALLED LAKE** Shoreline Condo 1 1/2 bedroom lake front all appliances immediate occupancy 1 car garage \$750/mo Meadow Management Inc 248-348-5400

**WEST BLOOMFIELD** Deluxe ranch 2 bedroom 2 bath 1 car garage basement available March 15th \$1295/mo (Chimney Hill) Meadow Management Inc 248 348 5400

**WESTLAND CONDO** 2 bed room 1 bath Washer/dryer dishwasher Available now \$800/mo Dave 734 672 9522 email davejstl@yahoo.com

**Duplexes 4030**

**Berkley** 1 bedroom w/satellite TV/radio 1 car garage phone line hooked up \$550/mo + utilities 248 586-1092 ext 4

**CANTON** 2 Bedroom 1 1/2 bath Appliances No pets \$815/mo Call Diane weekdays 313-843 5900

**LIVONIA** Clean 2 bedroom appliances \$725/mo plus security (248) 377 1596

**LIVONIA CLEAN** 2 bedroom ranch appliances basement \$800/month + security (734) 425 9225

**NOVAYNE** 2 & 3 bedroom Updated kitchen & bath utility room carpet newly painted From \$639 313 278 0282

**PLYMOUTH** Walk to downtown 1 bedroom newly decorated full basement No pets \$675/mo 734-455 8599

**ROCHESTER** 2 bedroom w/ finished basement C/A fire place garage \$1195/mo ShareNet (248)942 1620

**TROY** 3 Bedroom 2 1/2 bath 1 car garage no pets \$975/mo plus utilities plus security (248) 642-9448

**Walled Lake 736 Woods Ct** 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath town house basement 1 car garage all appliances immediate occupancy \$995/mo Meadow Management Inc 248-348-5400

**WAYNE** 2 bedroom full base ment \$675 You pay utilities No appliances incl No pets \$1797/move in 734 427 7545

**Westland** 34819 Pardo E of Wayne S of Ford Lane 2 bedroom Open 2pm Sat & Sun \$695/mo 248 437 6741

**Flats 4040**

**BERKLEY** 1 bedroom upper Cheerful Completely remodeled \$525/mo includes heat & water 248 644 8993

**BIRMINGHAM** Spots 2 bedroom upper c/a hard woods First month free \$875+security 248 643 0427

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**BIRMINGHAM** 3 bedroom C/A basement pets OK \$1050/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 373 RENT

**BIRMINGHAM** 3 bedroom C/A 2 bath 2 1/2 car garage \$1100/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 373 RENT

**BIRMINGHAM** 740 Emmons West off Woodward South of Lincoln 3 bedroom 1 bath ranch style home Updated kitchen central air 2 car detached garage Walking distance to parks and shopping 1 pet ok with fee \$1195 Available in May EHO Call 248 642 8686

**BIRMINGHAM** Centrally located 3 bedroom ranch c/a finished basement 1 1/2 bath \$1500 734 516 1000 248 433 7262

**BIRMINGHAM** 2 bedroom freshly painted new kitchen & carpentry garage \$900/mo ShareNet (248) 642 1620

**BIRMINGHAM SHARP** 2 bedroom bungalow w/ new car pet windows & roof \$1000/mo (248) 626 7446 ShareNet (248) 642 1620

**BIRMINGHAM FURNISHED** 3 bedrooms 2 baths very clean Bright kitchen Pics on the Web \$1400 248 644 8092

**BIRMINGHAM** 3 bedrooms appliances a/c garage base ment fenced yard \$1250/mo + security ROYAL OAK 3 bedroom appliances a/c basement \$950/mo + security 248 626 8650

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** 3 bed room brick fireplace fenced for pets \$950/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 373 RENT

**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial Freshly painted new ceramic flooring & counter tops Vacant \$2350 (248) 641 1887

**BRANDON TWP** 3 Bedroom lower level walkout family room with fireplace Country setting No pets \$995/mo (248) 922 9755

**CANTON 4 1/2 BEDROOMS** 2600 sq ft colonial 2 1/2 baths 2 car garage \$2100/mo 734 847 2694

**CANTON** newer 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath 2814 sq ft library golf community \$2500/mo D&H Properties 248 737 4002 www.dhproperty.com

**CLARKSTON** Fireplace deck rustic setting water view! \$875/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 373 RENT

**COMMERCIAL** Clean 3 bedroom 2 car garage lake view \$1050/mo Call Todd Smith Re/Max Classic 248 449-6263

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 3 bedroom bungalow 1 bath \$700/mo Rent or Rent to Own 734 713 0021

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** Nice 3 bedroom 2 car garage Available Now! \$900/mo (734) 479 0596

**DEARBORN HTS** 3 bedroom brick fenced for pets \$750/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 734 513 RENT

**DEARBORN** Ranch garage air appliances dining room fenced \$725/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 734 513 RENT

**DETROIT** Near Southfield/Warren 3 bedroom base ment garage option \$650 248 788 1823

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 2 bedroom ranch appliances pets neg \$750/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 356 RENT

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 4 bedroom basement family room 2 car garage Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 356 RENT

**FARMINGTON HILLS** 9 & Middlebelt 3 bedroom 1 bath Garage C/A appliances \$1050 (602) 300 5077

**FARMINGTON HILLS** Spacious 2 & 3 bed room 1 1/2 bath townhouse Basement garage deck No pets \$995 \$1075 Call 248-447 4189

**GARDEN CITY** 3 1/2 bedroom 1200 sq ft 2 1/2 bath finished basement 2 1/2 car heated garage fenced air large deck \$1195/mo (734) 397 8074

**GARDEN CITY** Near 3 bedroom brick ranch on quiet street freshly painted fenced yard garage \$1100/mo 734 761 9111 734 741 8810

**GARDEN CITY** Charming 1 bedroom garden house 900 sq ft newly remodeled 1 person \$740 2/3/80 734 425 9049

**INKSTER** Remodeled 3 bedroom basement garage Immediate occupancy Option \$550 248 788 1823

**LIVONIA** 3 bedroom 2 full baths 2 car garage Livonia schools \$1200/mo + security (248) 442 9769

**LIVONIA** - Available now spacious fenced by option \$700/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 734 513 RENT

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**ORION TWP** 2 bedroom ranch w/garage clean & ready \$625/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 373 RENT

**PLYMOUTH** clean 3 bedroom ranch 1 1/2 bath appliances c/a 2 1/2 car garage \$1100+ security 734 454 1932

**PLYMOUTH** Basement garage C/A appliances fenced \$725/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 734 513 RENT

**PLYMOUTH DOWNTOWN** 3 bedroom 3 baths hot tub pets negotiable \$1700 June (734) 453 9733

**PLYMOUTH** Large quiet 2 bedroom upper in town air big deck basement \$875/mo 734 591 6530/455 7653

**Plymouth** 3 bedroom library family room 3 1/2 bath 2200 sq ft appliances 2 car \$1900 D&H Properties 248 737 4002 www.dhproperty.com

**REDFORD** 3 bedroom ranch 1 bath \$700/mo Rent or Rent to Own 734 713 0021

**REDFORD** lease/purchase 3 bedrooms extra large fenced yard \$975/mo plus security (810) 632 4520

**REDFORD 18635 Wakenden** Totally updated 3 bedroom ranch garage fenced yard C/A \$975/mo + sec CAROLYN SCOPONE 734 522 8000 x225 MAYFAIR REALTY

**REDFORD** 4 bedroom base ment 2 car garage pets well come \$995/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 356 RENT

**REDFORD** Cozy 2 bedroom C/A newly redecorated 1 car garage fenced lot \$725/mo+ \$725/security No pets (734) 432 5976

**REDFORD** 3 bedroom base ment fenced 2 car garage \$800/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 356 RENT

**ROCHESTER HILLS** Newly remodeled C/A basement \$725/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 373 RENT

**ROYAL OAK** 2 bedroom washer/dryer central air fenced yard garage \$925 Available May 1 248 594 3684

**ROYAL OAK** 326 Oakland 4 bedroom recently updated 1 bldk from downtown \$1350/mo (248) 545 7447

**ROYAL OAK** 3 bedroom Cape Cod w/finished wood floors & new A/C includes washer dryer & lawn maintenance \$1100 No pets 248 693 6006

**ROYAL OAK/CLAWSON** 3 bedroom brick 1 1/2 story near 14 & 175 Wood floors great cond Basement garage appliances no pets \$1100/mo 248 642 4334

**SOUTHFIELD** 2 bedroom fenced garage Birmingham schools \$695/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 248 356 RENT

**STERLING HEIGHTS** 3 Bedroom ranch Troy area Living & family room 2 car c/a \$1200 248 855 2261

**W BLOOMFIELD** Birmingham schools 3 bed room 2 bath 2169 sq ft Walnut Lk access \$1950/mo Open Sun 1 5 2115 Lawndale 248 478 2311

**W BLOOMFIELD** 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath 2900 sq ft colonial w/ finished basement \$3000/mo 248 706 1777

**W BLOOMFIELD** Walnut Lake privileges 2 bedroom 2 car garage full basement appliances a/c fenced yard Birmingham schools Pets okay \$1250/mo 1 mo security (248) 851 6246

**WALLED LAKE** Clean 3 bedroom 2 car garage lake view \$1100/mo Call Todd Smith Re/Max Classic 248 449 6263

**WAYNE** 3 bedroom ranch 1 bath \$700/mo Rent or Rent to Own 734 405 2413

**WESTLAND** 3 bedroom ranch garage basement buy option \$750/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 734 513 RENT

**WESTLAND** 3 bedroom new carpet fenced for dog buy option \$725/mo Small charge RENTAL PROS 734 513 RENT

**WESTLAND** Act now! Merriman/Palmer 3 bedroom duplex Carpet clean \$650/mo 313 418 9905

**WESTLAND** Available now! Venoy/Palmer Nice 2 bedroom ranch Carpet Fenced \$725 monthly 313 274 6755

**Westland/Livonia Schools** Updated 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath finished basement 2 car garage \$1150 248 471 0015

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## HONORING OUR MILITARY EVERYWHERE

On Sunday, May 25th, The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers will be running a Special Veterans' Memorial Day Page to remember those brave men and women who gave their lives in the service of their country

For \$2 per line you can place a special remembrance message for the veteran that you would like to be remembered on this page. You can include a picture along with your message for an additional \$10

Just call, fax or e-mail your message by Monday, May 19th, to:

**1-800-579-7355**  
Fax: 734 953-2232

e-mail: cwilson@oe.homecomm.net

All messages must be prepaid and if sending a photo please include a stamped self addressed envelope so we can return your picture

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2 different weeks 3 Gen  
erations of old fine &  
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May 8 9 10 rest of the Estate

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9 5 Lots of furniture yarn  
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clean sale!

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**LIVONIA ESTATE SALE May 8 thru 10** Waterford stemware quality furniture tools house hold items some antiques furniture & collectibles Watch next weeks paper for direc tions & more details

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# THE ALL NEW 2003 INFINITI Q45

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## Thursday Drive Time



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Sometimes, the statement made by an individual car model says even more about its maker than about the vehicle itself. That's certainly the case with the Infiniti Q45 sedan. It is the flagship of Infiniti, the luxury brand of the resurgent Nissan Motor Co., which has been successfully overhauling itself over the last several years in one of the most spectacular remakings in auto-industry history.

As an expression of the company's continuing ambitions in the crowded upscale market - ambitions that in themselves are a statement about Nissan's renaissance - the Q45 is eminently worthy. The Luxury version of the 2003 Q45, which I drove, comprises about as much automobile as anyone could want for a list price of \$52,000. It's got satisfying exterior styling, ample interior coddling, rampant power under the hood, ultra-responsive handling and most of the miscellaneous extras that even a very demanding buyer could want.

Even more alluring is that the 2003 version represents an improvement over the 2002 Q45 model, which didn't sell as well as Infiniti had hoped. For this year, Infiniti has made the car's 340-horsepower V-8 engine even faster, changed the gear ratio for quicker acceleration, slapped more chrome onto the grille and headlamps and made heated seats and a full-size spare tire standard equipment. That was just fine by me.

Another enhancement for this model year is three new colors - Emerald Mist, Brilliant Silver and Golden Sand - making for a total of eight available colors. But I really appreciated the color of the model I drove, a deep navy blue that Infiniti calls Twilight Blue. That's because it seemed to fit the Q45's unique blend of edgy-but-refined styling, classic comfort and deep-reservoired performance.

The large grille, especially with the extra chrome, and prominent Infiniti badge set an appropriate tone



The Infiniti Q45 has a unique blend of edgy-but-refined styling, classic comfort & deep-reservoired performance.

of luxury for the front. Yet the huge xenon-fired headlights also make it clear that this is a sedan with something a little bold to say, stylistically. Perhaps even more important, the headlights function in a way that lives up to their profile, pouring lumens across the nocturnal roadscape with an intensity that Infiniti says is among the highest of any production vehicle. In fact, Infiniti claims the Q45's headlights are twice as bright as those on the \$73,000 Mercedes-Benz S-Class.

In any event, the conviction that I could be well seen while driving at night, and that I could most easily view what I needed to see, was a very reassuring aspect of the Q45. And among other things, it made me wonder why headlight intensity doesn't seem to be a higher priority for auto makers at all price points.

The rest of the exterior is quietly satisfying as well, including a slightly raised rear end and spectacular six-spoke, 17-inch aluminum-alloy wheels.

I couldn't have been happier with how well the Q45 performed. Acceleration was immediate and steady, providing palpable payoff from Infiniti's tinkering with the gear ratio. The 4.5-liter engine, Infiniti claims, now can race from zero to 60 in 5.9 seconds, and I'm not sure why anyone would need to do it more quickly. Cornering was superb, without any hint of the sloppiness that afflicts plenty of high priced vehicles when

you're accelerating out of a turn. An electromechanically variable suspension gives the driver a choice between a smooth ride and a tighter, sporty mode. And the sustained power of the engine was so effortless and reassuring that I couldn't imagine being behind a more capable wheel for a long trip.

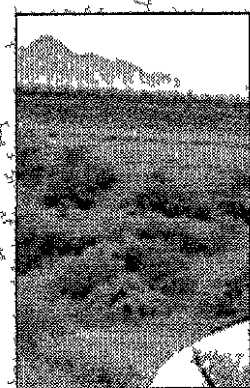
Inside, the plush interior is covered in Italian leather and maple burl wood. A sunroof is standard. The seats are ample, with 10-way power adjustments including lumbar supports. There are plenty of cup holders up front, and even back-seat passengers get push armrests with cup holders. Side-curtain airbags that deploy from the roof protect both rear and front-seat passengers. The climate controls and navigation system are logically designed and perform well.

The only thing that is really missing in the interior, my wife mused, is some convenient spot to park a mobile phone in or on top of the center console. That seems like an elemental oversight for such a fully equipped vehicle, yet Q45 isn't alone among luxury automobiles in making the mistake. All in all, however, it's a peccadillo that any owner could live with in the Q45.

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