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**Pipeline**

**Sound grant**

Crews from the city's Department of Municipal Services began Monday installing a new sound system in Kellogg Park thanks to a grant from the Wilcox Foundation. The system is part of a \$20,000 upgrade to the park's event facilities and is expected to be up and running in four to six weeks.

The new system includes permanently mounted speakers as well as portable speakers that can be used in a variety of setups according to assistant director Scott Baker, who pointed out the city sets up events at virtually all locations in the park and the combination of mounted and portable speakers should assist in meeting the needs of user groups.

**Violence seminar**

Christine Driessen, a touring speaker on practical spirituality, will be the keynote speaker at a seminar that explores solutions to violence and abuse from a spiritual perspective.

The seminar to benefit First Step, the western Wayne County domestic violence shelter, takes place at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 19, at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

The workshop is recommended by First Step officials and is designed for people in an abusive relationship who know about abuse first hand or who have a great urge to help those touched by domestic violence or sexual abuse.

There is no admission fee for the seminar, although donations will be accepted for First Step. For more information about First Step or the seminar, visit www.fs1.org on the Web or call Brenda Krachenberg at (734) 453-9486.

**Kiwanis golf**

The 21st annual golf outing sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth is on track to exceed the fund-raising target of \$20,000 established by this organization earlier this year.

The generosity of the community's corporate sponsors along with the individual contributors and golfers will surpass our loftiest expectations, chairman Rob Noel said. The outing takes place today (Thursday) at Fox Hills Country Club.

Kiwanis supports Mott's Children's Hospital, Salvation Army, Plymouth YMCA, Kiwanis Park in Plymouth, Michigan Special Olympics and a host of local charities. Donations are gladly accepted; contact club president Lee Harrison at (734) 416-6055.



LIZ OROZCO | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

**Safety first**

Jonathan Weave of Plymouth helps daughter Anna, 2, stop at a stop sign at the Plymouth Road McDonald's Bike Rodeo Saturday afternoon.

**Festival revamps after cuts**

Extra hours, run event may cover city expenses

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Fall Festival is hoping a new 5K run and extended hours will keep the annual gathering from going financially into the red.

As a result of the city's budget crunch, city commissioners earlier this year cut back subsidies to many of the downtown events for police and municipal services. That means this year, the Fall Festival will pay the nearly \$16,000 for city services which had been absorbed by the city the past five years.

Mark Baldwin, president of the Fall Festival committee, said he got the idea of a run/walk from Northville and its Jingle Bell Run.

I figured if they could get 500 people to run on a mid-December morning and pay money to do it, the light bulb went on, he said.

Baldwin said the festival — scheduled for Sept. 5-7 — is hoping to raise \$5,000 by charging \$15 to participants in either the 5K run or a 1K walk, and soliciting corporate sponsorships. The event will begin and end at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

"We'll also be cutting back on some of the paid entertainment, and have only two stages," Baldwin said. That will save us another \$2,000 between the stage

PLEASE SEE FESTIVAL, A5

**City OKs manager pay hike**

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth city commissioners Monday approved two pay hikes for City Manager Paul Sincock.

Sincock received a 3-percent wage hike, retroactive to the 2002-03 fiscal year, and commissioners also passed a 3-percent increase for the current budget year, retroactive to July 1.

The net result is Sincock's annual salary went from \$82,400 to a total of \$87,418.

As for Sincock's pay increase for the previous fiscal year, Mayor Pro Tem Colleen Pobur said, "It was just an oversight."

PLEASE SEE PAY, A4

**Act forces change in township voting**

City already uses system Land wants state to use

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Township voters will be voting using the system chosen by Michigan Secretary

of State Terri Land to make voting uniform across the street.

But township Clerk Marilyn Massengill isn't too happy about it.

Land chose the optical scan system, according to Public Act 91 of 2002, which requires the use of a uniform voting system when money is made available and appropriated by the

state Legislature, which has been done through Public Act 39.

But Massengill says the touch-screen Patriot System being used now by Plymouth Township is a better system.

PLEASE SEE VOTING, A4

**Student contest focuses on literacy**

School will be back in session soon and to emphasize a commitment to reading and writing, the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* and Oasis Golf Center are sponsoring a contest to mark International Literacy Day.

Students have the opportunity to win four movie tickets and Oasis Golf Center mini-golf admission for four International Literacy Day

has been held each Sept. 8 since 1967 to focus on the need to promote worldwide literacy. It is estimated that 875 million of the world's adults do not know how to read or write and more than 110 million children lack access to education.

To help celebrate International Literacy Day, the *Observer & Eccentric*

PLEASE SEE CONTEST, A3



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**Earth Lore**

Kelly Reeves (left) of Tucson, Ariz. (formerly from Plymouth) and her niece Shelby Kania, 9, of Milford look at the various crystals at Earth Lore, which opened a few weeks ago in Plymouth. For more, please see page A3.

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**AROUND TOWN**

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

It's back to school time, and officials at the Plymouth Salvation Army want to help those who need it find enough supplies to get ready.

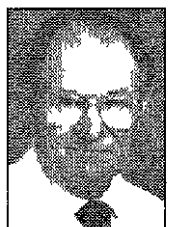
The Salvation Army is looking for donations of various school supplies for students in elementary, middle and high school. Needed supplies include crayons, markers, colored pencils, No. 2-lead pencils, pens (black ink preferred), notebook filler paper, spiral notebooks, vinyl pencil holders and rulers. The Plymouth Salvation Army is located on Main, just south of Ann Arbor Road. For more information or to arrange a donation, call Bill Moritz, (734) 453-5464.

**USED BOOK SALE**

Plymouth Independence Village sponsors a used-book sale to benefit the Plymouth District Library from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16. Donated books can be accepted until Tuesday, Aug. 12. Magazines won't be accepted. For more information, call Barb, (734) 453-4006.

**PHYSICIAN HONORED**

Dr. John Battle of Plymouth was recently honored for 50 years of service as a family practice physician by the Michigan Academy of Family Physicians. The announcement was made during the annual



Congress of Delegates meeting on Mackinac Island. Battle was selected by the academy as the 1994 Family Practice Educator of the Year. He was responsible for training dozens of family physicians who practice in the Detroit area, as well as throughout the state. His educational and professional influences are felt indi-

rectly by literally thousands of patients who benefit from the excellent care provided by these family physicians, MAFF officials said. He spent two decades as director of the Family Practice Residency Program at Oakwood Hospital.

**SUMMER ART CAMPS**

A visual arts camp is being offered at the Plymouth Community Arts Council 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the week of Aug. 11 for children ages 8-15. The cost is \$125 for PCAC members with all materials included.

A performing arts camp will be held Aug. 18-22 for young actors ages 5-15. The cost of this camp is \$100 for members.

Spaces are limited. For more information, visit the PCAC's Web site at www.plymoutharts.com or call (734) 416-4278.

**MEIJER GARDEN TRIP**

The Plymouth Community Arts Council sponsors a trip to the Frederik Meijer Gardens to view its special exhibit, Quiet Beauty: Fifty Centuries of Japanese Folk Ceramics.

The trip takes place Sept. 22, with a chartered bus leaving the PCAC at 9 a.m. for Grand Rapids, and returning by 4:30 p.m. The cost is \$38 per person or \$70 per couple. Lunch will be on your own at the Gardens. For more information or to make reservations, call (734) 416-4278 by Aug. 18.

**CAREER CONSULTANT**

Career management consultant William F. Gross will be the featured speaker at the Our Lady of Good Counsel Career Networking Group set for 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11, in OLCG's social hall.

Associated with Lee Hecht Harrison, an outplacement company, Gross bases his job counseling service on his

personal and professional life, having suffered a job loss himself and practicing outplacement counseling for 10 years.

Prior to joining Lee Hecht Harrison, Gross worked at GM for 15 years gaining experience in all facets of human resources management, including orchestrating a major restructuring and downsizing effort in GM's personnel administration.

Admission to the presentation is free. The public is invited. For information, call Ed Walton, (734) 634-2245 or the OLCG office, (734) 453-0326. OLCG is located at 47650 N. Territorial in Plymouth.

**GOLDBLOCKS AND THE BEARS**

The Marquis Theatre in Northville presents *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* at its newly renovated location Aug. 5-Sept. 14.

Show times are at 10:30 a.m. weekdays and 2:30 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Tickets to all public performances are \$7.50.

For ticket information or group rates, call the theatre, (248) 349-8110. The theatre is located at 135 E. Main in downtown Northville.

**WILD WEDNESDAYS**

The folks at Oasis Golf Center are trying to help local kids cure the summertime blues by offering entertainment one day a week.

For a cost of \$12, kids will be able to enjoy unlimited miniature golf and driving range privileges, pizza, pop and ice cream 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Wednesday.

"We hope to become a great alternative for parents to drop off their kids with us as opposed to the usual mall or movie theater," said Cara Gray, director of marketing.

Children 9 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Oasis Golf Center is located at 39500 Five Mile Road.



PHOTOS BY LIZ OROZCO | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth Police Officer Jennifer Dergis shows Adam Weaver, 4, of Plymouth how to make an arm gesture for turning left when he is riding his bike.

**Cops teach kids bike safety lessons**

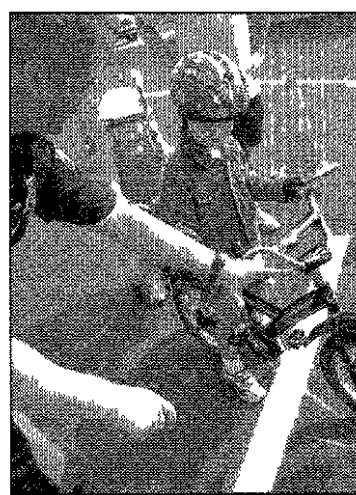
BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

After Saturday's Plymouth Bike Rodeo at the Ann Arbor Road McDonald's restaurant, some 20 children are better equipped to handle the safe riding of their bicycles.

For Plymouth Police Officer Jennifer Dergis, the city's school liaison officer, that's a good thing.

Dergis and fellow officers staged the safety seminar at the McDonald's for a couple of reasons. To teach youngsters about bicycle safety, and to raise a little money to help fund the city's bicycle unit. Toward the latter, McDonald's donated a portion of every McGriddle breakfast sandwich it sold during a two-hour period.

It would have been nice if we could have had more children participating, but the



Plymouth Police Officer Mike Fritz helps Adam Weaver, 4, of Plymouth understand which way is left, and which is right, by making the letter "L" with his left hand. Behind Weaver stands sister Anna, 2.

Officers checked helmets for fit, looked over bicycles, taught proper turn signals using the left hand and talked to kids about being out in traffic.

Each child was given a bicycle certificate of completion from McDonald's, and a bicycle safety award. One bicycle and two helmets were also given away. The helmets went to the brother-sister tandem of Hillary and Andrew O'Callaghan of Plymouth. McDonald's wouldn't release the name of the winner of the bicycle, because the girl's parents weren't present.

"We were hoping they would walk away from this with more understanding of safety," Dergis said. "We wanted them to realize what it's like to be on the sidewalk, or in the street if they have to, and how they can do so safely."

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# Plymouth offers sweet smell of success

## Local store opens second location for multicultural ambiance

BY KIM KOVELLE  
STAFF WRITER

A unique little shop that planted itself in Livonia six years ago has spread its branches to the downtown Plymouth area, bringing with it the gentle aromas of incense, multi-cultural gifts and a frisky baby kitten named Leo.

Nestled in the concrete-brick corner building at 895 Wing just west of Main, Earth Lore opened the doors of its second store a few weeks ago. Three times larger than the original, its stock and niche are new and meticulously selected.

"We were very conscientious not to step on toes," said owner Marilyn Higgins, seated behind a counter adorned with pendulum and earring displays and a green-gold Celtic throw. "We were really bursting at the seams. It was our dream to have a larger store."

The dream turned into reality earlier this year, when Higgins and her small staff decided upon The Magic Bus's former home at Wing and Forest. Prefacing expansion with much research, they were sensitive to other area businesses such as Journey Bodywork & Spa and Native West in the hand-selection of their wares.

For instance, a trademark variety of high-quality Japanese and Indian incenses

provide different karma, as does a rotating stock of 200 CDs featuring Indian, Oriental and even North American Cedar Flute sounds — all of which can be enjoyed in-store before purchase.

With 160 suppliers at hand, gemstones, minerals, candles, books, Zen alarm clocks, store-packaged natural herbs and resins, incense holders, a hammered-brass gong and even a sitar add to the mix.

"We cater to every culture we can, we cater to every religion we can," said Ben Karmann, a two-year Earth Lore worker and Plymouth native. "We're very careful about keeping negativity out."

At the center of it all is Leo, a playful 16-week-old black kitten who was rescued from a dumpster outside of Karmann's Plymouth apartment. Nursed back to health, Leo now considers the store — and long, tent-like skirts — his playground.

"It gives (customers) a little bit more of a comfort level," said Jennifer VanderWal, who has worked at Earth Lore off-and-on for three years. With Leo batting at her long pigtails, she explains that Angus, a Bombay tiger-striped cat and fixture at the Livonia locale, was also a found cat.

"You don't find them, they find you," added Higgins, who refused to purchase a feline

There's nothing like a kitten to loosen people up."

Customers were already arriving on opening day to purchase, play with Leo and peruse new wonders such as two large crystals.

Large is perhaps a delicate word. With light and dark amber hues, the Natural Smoky Quartz Sphere weighs in at 140 pounds while the Natural Quartz Crystal Cluster of pointed stalagmites is 204.6. They were delivered by brawny Brazilian men, and fetch \$15,000 and \$14,000, respectively.

"I needed something for the heart of the store," explained Higgins. "If it never sells that's OK. It'll be like a fixture in the store."

At first glance, Higgins appears the unlikely type to have fostered such a place. Wearing a loose-fitting button-down blouse and short gray hair around an earnest face, she admits she's not a business woman by nature and prefers to invest in products and services.

However, with the help of a talented, creative staff, Earth Lore has become a community fixture where people travel not only to shop but to de-stress.

"It started off as a hobby," said Higgins, who began selling beads and gemstones at the Gibraltar Trade Center. She temporarily moved to the Science Emporium on 5 Mile in Livonia, but as her stock grew, she and her son Grant established Earth Lore at 15076 Middlebelt in 1996.

It just kind of evolved and took us with it," she said. "Our best advocacy is word of mouth. People would just drift in. It's amazing to me — we've had people from Canada (come) all the way to here."

Although her full-time day job has helped support the shop's scrupulous selectivity, her passion and ability to exploit her employees' talents has led to thriving business. Karmann, for example, a certified EMT, also has skill in painting, plastering and sewing.

Already he's adorned the store with textured plaster work and a fishing-line spider web on which crystals hang in the west window, the lead line sun and moon in the front north windows are now receiving stained glass like touches.

"I fell in love with the atmosphere," said Karmann, who was first dragged into the store by his girlfriend. "I needed something spiritual. I haven't called in sick ever. For two years I never felt like staying home."

And VanderWal is a Reiki Master who offers energy-healing sessions by appointment on Sundays and has also mined crystals in Arkansas.

"Marilyn is a very meticulous person who has taught me a lot about life," said VanderWal as she demonstrated how patrons can let their gemstones find them. She keeps her prices very, very low.

Ultimately, Higgins just hopes to provide a place where



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Earth Lore manager Ben Karmann shows off a Natural Quartz Crystal Cluster (left) and a sitar guitar, which are among the many items in the store, which opened in Plymouth a few weeks ago.

people can feel better and isn't concerned about sales.

"I've always had an open mind. I've always been a seeker or I am just a shop keeper she maintained."

Being spiritual isn't limited to being a flower child or a hippie. "I think we bring out the spirituality in every day living."

Earth Lore is located at 895 Wing St. in Plymouth. Summer store hours are Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. The shop is closed on Sunday for Reiki classes by appointment only. For more information call (734) 354-1877.

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# Plymouth turns light on 3rd 'After Dark' chamber event

**'It gives our fantastic business owners some extra exposure, gets people in their shops and shows off Plymouth as the great town we all know it is.'**

Fran Toney  
Chamber of Commerce

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

There won't be a Yellow Brick Road, but the streets of downtown Plymouth will have a touch of Oz just the same Friday night.

Sandra Marulis decided to do something different this year, and is importing Karl Slover, a 4-foot-4 the shortest of the original Munchkins from the 1939 movie *The Wizard of Oz*, to help celebrate

Plymouth's third annual "Plymouth After Dark" event.

The event, sponsored by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, uses celebrity lookalikes in an effort to draw people into downtown businesses and have some fun all at the same time.

"It's one of our newer events, and it was one of our most successful first-time events," said Fran Toney, the chamber's executive director. "Everyone has a lot of fun with it."

Slover, 82, an original Munchkin, will be available for photos and autographs and to tell stories. Michigan Made is located at 830 W. Ann Arbor Trail. In addition to the Munchkin, celebrities scheduled to attend include, among others, Mae West, Bonnie and Clyde, Elvis, characters from the film *Saturday Night Fever*, Marilyn Monroe, Uncle Sam and Clark Gable.

The event will also feature music on street corners.

horse-drawn carriage rides, free limousine service and refreshments in the stores.

"It's a great event," Toney said. "It gives our fantastic business owners some extra exposure, gets people in their shops and shows off Plymouth as the great town we all know it is." Plymouth After Dark runs 8:30-11:30 p.m. For more information call the chamber at (734) 453-1140.



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## CONTEST

FROM PAGE A1

Newspapers in Education Program invites students in grades two-12 to write an essay, a news story or draw an editorial cartoon.

The essay (250-word limit) should discuss what reading and writing means to you — for school work, personal life or future.

Budding journalists can opt

to enter the news story category.

The news story (250 words or less) should focus on the world losing all of its written documents except for that day's newspaper.

Include the who, what, where, when, why and, of course, what the results would be of such a catastrophe.

Or draw an editorial cartoon featuring no words but conveying the message of what it means if one

can't read or write.

Look for an entry form inside today's paper or visit our Web site at www.hometownlife.com for contest details.

The contest will have one first-place winner per category and one honorable mention per newspaper in each category (essay, news story, editorial cartoon). In addition, the best overall essay, news story or cartoon will receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond.

Student divisions are grades two-three, grades four-six, grades seven-nine and grades 10-12. Judging will be based on, but not limited to, originality, creativity, design, grammar and spelling.

Entries should be mailed to Oasis Golf Center/O&E, P.O. Box 51908, Livonia, MI 48153-5908 and be received no later than Tuesday, Sept. 2.

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**PAY**

FROM PAGE A1

that the increase didn't get put in place for last year. There's absolutely no reflection on the city manager's performance at all."

In fact, Sincoc's first review since becoming city manager in March 2001 was recently completed.

He scored an 89 percent on performance objectives, and 85 percent on knowledge, skills and abilities.

In July, commissioners approved 3-percent wage hikes for nearly 30 non-union employees, including department heads.

City commissioners said the most recent pay hikes for municipal employees were reflected in the 2003-04 budget, so there was never any thought of eliminating raises, despite the budget projections which show the city in deficit spending the next five years, and a millage rate increase being proposed to voters in November.

"These are not huge pay raises by any stretch of the imagination," said Mayor Bill Graham. "These folks are entitled to a pay raise."

"If these were gratuitous pay

raises, you wouldn't find me voting for them, or supporting them," added Graham. "The raises are fair and reasonable."

Pobur acknowledged that according to a consultant's study conducted three years ago, Plymouth's city manager should be making in excess of \$95,000.

"Mr. Sincoc is still below that level, but he's a loyal soldier in this war and understands that these are difficult financial times," she said, "and that we can't do everything that we might like to do because we don't have a money tree in the courtyard at City Hall."

Commissioner Michele Potter, who has lobbied against asking voters to increase taxes, agreed Sincoc's raise was warranted in light of raises given other employees.

If we were to maintain his salary, it would provide the potential for one or more of his direct reports to be earning more than he does as the city manager, she said.

Commissioner Phil Pursell suggested that because of the future financial problems facing the city, it's probably the last time that people in administration might get raises. "Maybe not, if the economy turns around and state revenue sharing gets back to where it should be."

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**Donald M. Korte Jr.**

Services for Donald Korte Jr., 50, of Lansing will be held Aug. 9 at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, 900 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, and also at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 11 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 44800 Warren Road, Canton, with the Rev. Tony Richter officiating.

Mr. Korte was born July 24, 1953, in Detroit and died Aug. 2 in Lansing. He was employed for the past five years as a packaging engineer with Altacor, Inc. He loved fishing, sking, tennis and was an avid gardener. He also enjoyed cooking and playing basketball. Survivors include wife, Celeste of Lansing, daughter, Stirling Korte of Lansing, sons, Spencer

and Sinclair Korte of Lansing, parents, Donald and Marilyn Korte of Canton, sisters, Pamela Jo Herriman of Canton, Cathleen (Gary) Taylor of Westland, Christeen (Paul) Schmidt of Novi and Lori Ann (Hector) Gonzalez of Mesa, Ariz. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1755 Abbey Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.

**Lois Louise Davis**

Services for Lois Davis, 94, of Lenoir City, Tenn., (formerly of Plymouth for 50 years), were held Aug. 2 at Parkview Memorial Cemetery with Mr. Carson Coonce officiating. Burial was at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. Mrs. Davis was born June 1,

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1909, in Obion County, Tenn., and died July 28 at Parkwest Hospital. She was a housewife. Survivors include daughter, Sonja K. Sneddon of Lenoir City, Tenn., son, Thomas E. (Jean) Davis of Loudon, Tenn., brothers, Clarence Coleman, Kenneth Coleman and Bill Coleman, all of Obion County, Tenn., 11 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

**Steve John Hutnik**

Services for Steve Hutnik, 78, of Plymouth were held Aug. 2 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating. Mr. Hutnik was born March 19, 1925, in Martins Ferry, Ohio, and died July 29 in

Superior Township. He was a high pressure operator. Mr. Hutnik served in the U.S. Army. Mr. Hutnik was preceded in death by his brothers, John Hutnik and Mike Hutnik, and sister, Rose Mary Sugg. Survivors include wife, Frances H. Hutnik of Plymouth, sons, Steve P. (Lisa) Hutnik of Plymouth, Dennis D. Hutnik of Norco, Calif., and Kim (Ginger) Hutnik of Tulsa, Okla., daughter, Kirstie J. Leopold of Marquette, brother, Joseph Hutnik, and nine grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, Midwest Affiliate, Dept. 77-3968, Chicago, IL 60678-3968. Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

**VOTING**

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"We're going to be taking a step backwards, Massengill said. (State officials) are saying (touch-screens) don't have a paper trail, but that's not true. You can get an audit list that tells you how people voted. It doesn't tell you who voted, but how they voted. It's a little scrambled, but you can tell."

State Sen. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, wrote the act to make the state's

voting system uniform.

I am delighted to play such an integral role in Michigan's voting reform, Patterson said. Updating Michigan's voting technology with a uniformed voting system will prove to be efficient, effective and reliable for all voters and election workers.

The City of Plymouth currently uses an optical scan system in which voters connect the arrows. City Clerk Linda Langmesser doesn't think they'll have to change, even if Land chooses another optical scan method.

"I love this system," Langmesser said. "We decided to go with this when we were researching voting equipment. I'm a firm believer that you have to have some type of paper trail."

Langmesser is also hopeful the city will be able to get a grant from money parceled out by the Help American Vote Act to do updates.

This isn't going to cost us anything, and I'm hoping we can get some money to upgrade our system, she said.

Patterson's public act also required formation of an advisory committee to review various voting systems. The optical scan system chosen by Land was reviewed and considered by the committee, which included representatives of county, city, township and other relevant organizations.

The system is considered a good way to avoid or reduce the number of spoiled ballots. The new law requires electronic tabulating equipment to be at each polling place to detect spoiled ballots.

It is a precinct-based system that indicates to the people casting the ballot if they have over-voted the ballot. It allows them to correct their ballot prior to casting it," said Canton Township Clerk Terri Bennett.

Over-voting occurs when someone votes for two candidates for example when they may vote for only one. What the system does not do, however, is detect when someone does not vote a particular race on the ballot. That is called under-voting.

But then that is a voter's right, Bennett said.

Added Patterson "Detecting ballot spoilage is a crucial part of the uniformed voting system. It secures that democracy is protected. Every vote cast will count as the voter intended."

The optical scan system also allows workers at each precinct to tabulate the total votes for that precinct. Back at Township Hall, a piece of computer equipment allows the clerk and her staff to combine results from all precincts for a total vote, Bennett said.

Michigan now uses five different voting methods, some even within the same county. The systems include the optical scan, Direct Recording Electronic, which is a touch screen, punch cards, mechanical lever systems and paper ballots.

Plymouth-Canton Schools currently borrows equipment from Plymouth Township for its annual elections.

"It (the new law) is nothing that looks like it would affect us," said Frank Ruggirello, school district community relations director. "We use Plymouth Township's equipment, so if they have it, we'll have it."

On the other hand, efforts are afoot in the state Legislature to remove school elections from local school districts and have the local municipalities conduct the elections.

We may be out of the election business, Ruggirello said.

Staff writer Joanne Maliszewski contributed to this report.

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When the first steps of the morning produce excruciating heel pain, it is most likely due to an inflammation of the plantar fascia which connects the heel bone (calcaneus) and toes. The plantar fascia functions much like a shock absorbing bowstring supporting the arch of the foot. If the tension on the bowstring becomes too great, however, minute tears can occur along with inflammation. Calf muscles can be activity overloaded (improper shoes or abnormal biomechanics including flat feet and high arches). Plantar fasciitis can develop gradually in one foot or it can come on suddenly and severely. Treatment includes stretching exercises to increase the flexibility of the plantar fascia, the Achilles tendon and calf appointment.

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# Great Race Motor City Cider Run returns to town Sept. 25-28

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA  
STAFF WRITER

Last June, The Great Race kicked off in Livonia — and kick-started events for road rally fans everywhere.

Building on the momentum Livonia garnered as the official start city, The Great Race will now hold a regional rally in the area for the first time this fall.

The Great Race Motor City Cider Run will be held Sept. 25-28, beginning and ending in Livonia each day.

"The Great Race was a huge success and it had a significant impact on the community,

Mayor Jack Kirksey said.

He said racers and fans all along the route to Daytona Beach, Fla., promoted the city. "It brought a great deal of excitement that tends to be lasting," Kirksey said.

Susan Roush McClenaghan is counting on that. A race participant with her husband Dale, she knew the organization held regional rallies around the country. She wondered why the Wayne County area wasn't involved.

"The Detroit area is one of the major car towns in the country and we don't have a regional rally here," she said.

Working with Great Race organizers, McClenaghan helped plan the upcoming rally, which will become an annual event in the Livonia area.

But car buffs won't have to wait long to check out some official Great Race vehicles. Roush Racing Collection in Livonia will host a free open house 5:30-9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 13, in the museum at 11851 Market Street, which runs north off Plymouth Road west of Levan. Photographs, video and a slideshow of this summer's Great Race will be on display

during the event. Visitors can learn more about the upcoming Motor City Cider Run and register.

Featured stops during the September run will highlight Michigan destinations like Frankenmuth, Wiard's Orchard and Country Fair and an evening in downtown Plymouth. The awards banquet will be held Sept. 28 at the Roush Racing Collection in Livonia.

The event dates were chosen so other regional rallies would not conflict, and because "it's a really nice time to be in Michigan," McClenaghan said.

From the fall colors to fresh apple cider, it will separate the Michigan rally from regionals in Texas, Florida and Arizona.

She's hoping the rally will draw more than 40 participants, especially since it occurs shortly after the start city celebration.

Unlike The Great Race, the Motor City Cider Run will allow any make, model or year vehicle to enter in one of two divisions. McClenaghan said it doesn't matter if you drive a street rod or a rental car, all are welcome to participate.

"We're just very excited about having the regional

here," she said.

Rally headquarters will be the Livonia Marriott, 17100 N. Laurel Park Drive. The race involves two categories. Dash for Cash includes cash awards, while the Run for Fun does not. The entry fee for the Dash for Cash is \$600 for veterans and \$500 for rookies. For the Run for Fun, the cost is \$400 for veterans and \$300 for rookies. Register before Aug. 15 to receive a \$100 discount. For more information, call (800) 989-7223.

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## FESTIVAL

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rental and the engineering that goes with it.

"Some of the entertainment on Saturday afternoon was going on while people were doing other things, so we'll try to get some local bands during that period and give them some exposure," he added.

Thus far, the only entertainment scheduled for the weekend festival is a return of musician Alexander Zonjic, his third year performing at the Fall Festival.

Most of the remainder of the money lost could be made up from having carnival rides stay open an hour later, until 11 p.m. Last year, city commissioners wouldn't allow the festival to stay open past 10 p.m.

However, after taking away the subsidy, commissioners decided to let the activities remain open an hour later Friday and Saturday nights to raise more money.

The festival will continue to close at 6 p.m. Sunday.

"The carnival people tell us that's a crucial hour," Baldwin said. On Friday, the high school football game doesn't get out until about 9:30 p.m., and kids don't have a chance to get downtown for the rides and food booths.

The carnival generated \$22,500 for the Fall Festival committee, which is about one-third of the festival's revenues.

Baldwin said the festival committee is hoping to pump up the beer tent. Three years ago it brought in about \$5,000 but shipped to about \$2,500 last year because of bad weather and poor visibility.

"We'll try to get a big screen TV in there, and maybe get some of the restaurants to donate trays of food to get people more excited about going there," Baldwin said.

This year, community and nonprofit groups will pay a flat rate of \$350 to have a fundraising booth at the Fall Festival. In previous years, groups paid a fee plus 25 percent of their net proceeds to participate, sometimes costing them more money than this year's fee.

Last year, the Fall Festival committee reimbursed the groups a total of \$10,000 from the surplus.

Other events scheduled this year include a classic car show, Optimist Club pet show, the Kiwanis Club pancake breakfast and the Rotary Club barbecue chicken dinner.



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OUR VIEWS

## Pay-to-play not the only option

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan is caught between a rock and a very hard place as he continues to try to balance the school district's budget.

He's got to make up a \$5.6 million deficit this year, and stands on the precipice of an even deeper hole next year. He's cut from every line item imaginable, and now is forced to shave some \$250,000 from the district's athletic budget.

The first and, to some, most obvious thing to do is go to pay-to-participate for sports programs. To us, that seems like balancing the budget on the backs of students and families, some of whom can't afford it.

That's why we hope the pay-to-participate is a one-time, near-term Band-Aid as the district finds ways to either increase revenues or cut expenses.

The plan presented to school board members last week calls for athletes to pay a straight \$125 fee for the year, no matter how many sports they play. At first blush, the natural reaction is to say, "So what? This is an affluent district, and \$125 is not a lot of money."

That's probably true for a lot — maybe even the majority — of families in the area. But it's certainly not true for all of them. And what about families who have several athletes? At \$125 a crack, it can add up.

Of course, the athletic budget should be subject to cuts just as much as any other line item to which Ryan has taken the knife. No one is suggesting the district's athletic department should be immune to cuts.

But perhaps there are other cuts that can be made. For instance, does the district really need three athletic directors? Would one athletic director be able to handle the load? Perhaps one director with an assistant, who would, naturally, draw lower wages and benefits.

Is there other fat to be trimmed in the athletic budget? Is the district getting the best deals it can on equipment and supplies? Are there any kinds of corporate sponsorships available?

The music boosters are conducting a fund-raiser by marketing a CD with music from the various groups, seeking business sponsors to help fund uniforms and other expenses. The hockey boosters fund the hockey program in its entirety. Are there similar opportunities for the other sports?

Pay-to-participate, even on this limited basis, is a first step toward a slippery slope we hope the district can avoid. This year's \$125 price tag for the year could turn into next year's \$125 price tag for each sport.

Sports are an integral part of a school district's curriculum, teaching kids about life, about teamwork, about winning and losing, success and failure. Before we price them right out of range, we should make sure we've done all we can to make sure the chance to experience those benefits exists for all students.

## Connerly initiative poor choice for state

Several Republican legislators (including state Reps. John Garfield of Rochester and John Pastor of Livonia) have signed on to support a ballot initiative banning racial preferences in Michigan.

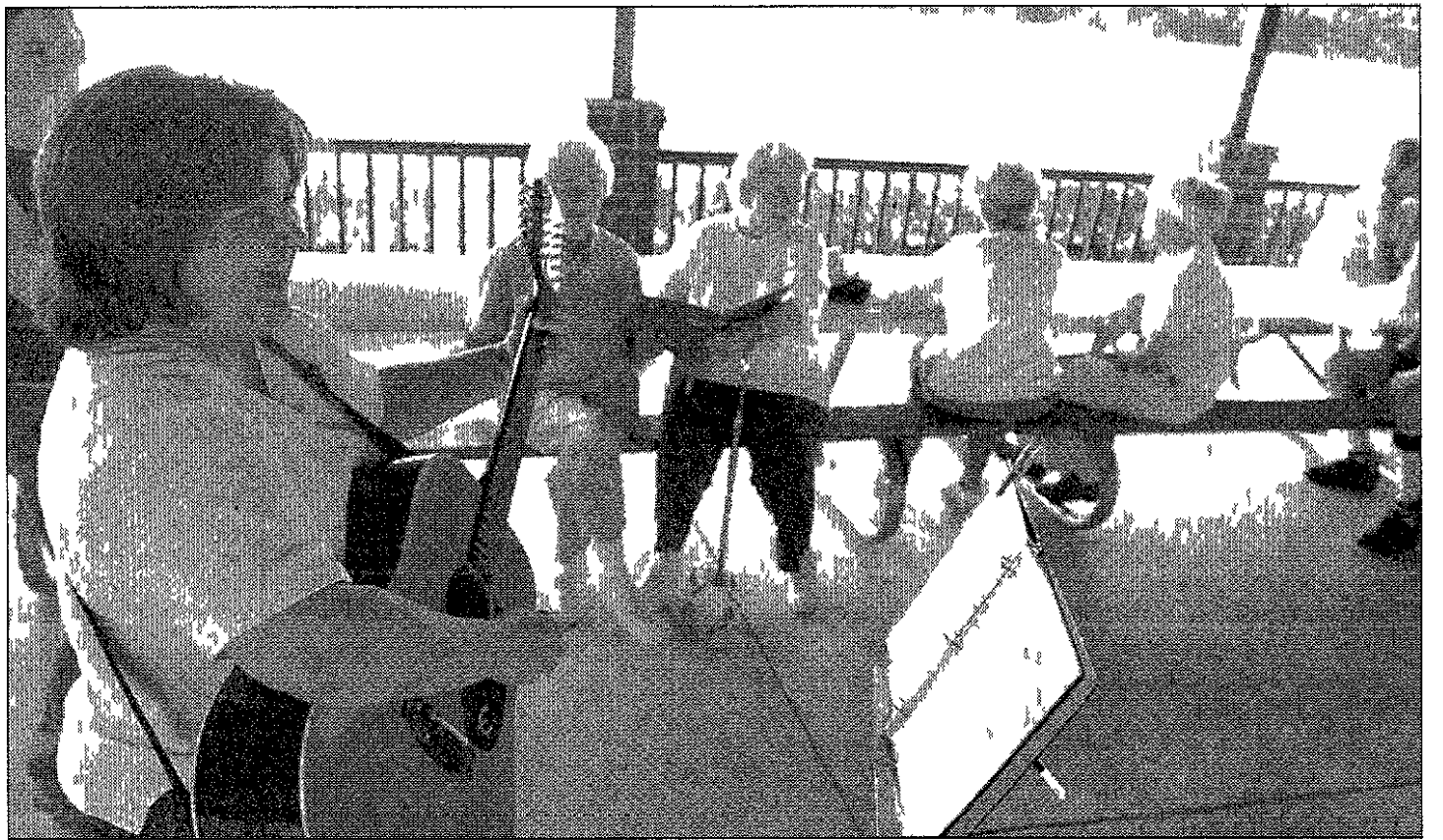
The leader of this campaign is Sacramento developer and University of California Regent Ward Connerly, a conservative African-American who successfully led a similar campaign in California several years ago.

Connerly's initiative is racially divisive and intellectually and ethically dishonest. The proposal is a backlash to the measured Supreme Court decision in two cases involving the University of Michigan, which upheld the principle of considering race in admission policies while rejecting a point system and quotas.

The issue has divided the state Republican Party. State GOP Chairwoman Betsy DeVos argues that such an initiative would be counterproductive and racially divisive. She says the best way to eliminate a need for affirmative action at the university level is to improve K-12 education for all students. We defend Connerly's right to make his argument, but we agree with DeVos that this is the wrong initiative at the wrong time for the wrong reasons.

DeVos is correct, more has to be done to improve the quality of schools in predominantly black, and economically distressed, school districts.

The U.S. Supreme Court's middle road ruling on race-based admissions doesn't need to be challenged on a Michigan ballot. Many of those who claim a holier-than-thou support for racial "colorblindness" were not likely to have been on that side when black people were regularly excluded from almost every aspect of American life.



Tammy Suzanne Williams entertains seniors at the Community Council on Aging's Ice Cream social, held recently at Plymouth Township Park.

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## LETTERS

### Baseball praise

My son, Mark, was the new guy on the Red Sox (youth baseball) team.

As his mother, I was very nervous about him getting on a team with kids who are also on the high school team. He hadn't played on a team since T-ball, but he loves baseball and he had the courage to try.

He wasn't the fastest runner and he didn't hit the ball the hardest, but his coach was great and gave him every chance for him to get time batting and fielding. Because he had the guts to give it a try, he not only got better each time he played, he ended up on the No. 1 team in the league.

But I'm not sending this just because the kids won. I was so impressed with the quality of play and the character of all the kids on all the teams this year, I just wanted to write about it. Mark's coach was a great role model and he provided a place for my son to spread his wings.

What I saw this season was what baseball should be and the best of kids at play.

Deb Madonna  
Plymouth

### Supporting Dean

Howard Dean, former governor of Vermont and candidate for president in 2004, is a licensed doctor. After graduating from Yale with a degree in political science, he went on to medical school, where he met his wife and then eventually settled in Vermont and opened his own practice.

This was a long time ago, before he started his political career, but the skills that made Dr. Dean a good physician will serve him well as candidate for this nation's highest elected office in the coming primary election.

Unlike the eight other Democrats who have tossed their hat into the 2004 race, Dr. Dean is cold and clinical when it comes to evaluating the country's current ailments. The symptoms? Fractured international relations, a sour economy and a soaring deficit. The diagnosis? Poor planning, no vision and shady State of the Union addresses. The prognosis? Balance the budget, invest in education and spend wisely (like health care, Social Security and hotel rooms for air marshals — and not stock market games in the Pentagon).

To Dean and his ever-growing number of supporters (mainly through word of mouth and the Internet), it's so obvious that even a Yale grad with a C average should be able to figure it out. But, hey, what's a doctor to do?

Robert Dean  
Plymouth member Students for Dean at the University of Michigan

### In defense of auto unions

Nothing I have read in the *Observer* made my blood boil more than Phil Power's column (*O&E*, July 24, 2003) regarding the current auto pact negotiations.

I am a Ford Motor Company retiree — retired after almost 36 years service — and always was proud to wear the big blue oval, and was equally as proud to have been represented by the UAW for all those years.

Mr. Power commented "of course the transplant plants are nonunion which helps in all kinds of ways." Does Mr. Power know that in almost all progressive countries where autos are built (Japan, Korea, France, Italy, Germany, etc.) the workforce is almost all unionized? They do not have that 100-year-old anti-union attitude that has taken over some of the thinking in this country.

When Ford employees are called to jury

duty, the company makes up the difference in lost pay. Think that might make a defendant feel more at ease, knowing that at least ONE member of the jury does not have to worry about money lost? When a military reservist is called to active duty, his lost wages are made up while he or she is defending our country. Think that helps that person's state of mind while they are overseas? When a family member passes away, we are entitled to a bereavement pay. Think that helps ease the mind of the employee?

When a Local 845 member wears his jacket or T-shirt while shopping in Plymouth or Canton, do you think the local merchants don't know that they have more disposable income than most? They can afford to buy cars, houses, etc. Think the local merchants have that attitude that says "Boy, I sure am glad these people are nonunion — that helps in all kinds of ways."

Mr. Power, you are better than that. Please come to one of our local union meetings at our office at Joy Road and Canton Center Road — fourth Sunday of the month. We may convince you that unions are indeed good for this country.

Dave Travis  
Livonia

Deanna Tachna  
Birmingham

### Grandparents are important

This week, the Michigan Supreme Court struck down Michigan's grandparenting time statute as unconstitutional. Michigan's grandparenting time statute says grandparents may get visitation rights when a custody matter is before the court or when one parent is dead. Under the statute, court-ordered visitation is appropriate where a judge finds it is in the "best interests" of the child.

In *DeRose vs. DeRose*, the court held that the statute is unconstitutional because it does not factor a parent's decisions in ordering such visitation.

In the majority opinion, Justice Clifford Taylor wrote, "There is no indication that the statute requires deference of any sort be paid by a trial court to the decisions fit parents make for their children." This is true, the statute only requires the child's "best interests" to be factored when ordering grandparenting time.

While I believe the Michigan Supreme Court made the right ruling in the matter, I believe that the statute should be amended by the legislature to factor the parent's wishes. The United States Supreme Court has held that the interest of parents in the care, custody, and control of their children is a fundamental right. The court, in a case called *Troxel vs. Granville*, held that such third-party visitation statutes must "accord deference to the decisions of fit parents regarding third-party visitation."

Nevertheless, in *Troxel*, the U.S. Supreme Court did not hold that all nonparental visitation statutes were facially unconstitutional. I have had a number of grandparents come into my office heartbroken because they are denied visitation with their grandchildren. I also feel that grandparents are an important influence in a child's life.

In an era of broken homes and blended families, it is paramount that the law provide a way for grandparents to be granted court-ordered visitation. For this reason, I would urge our legislature to waste no time in amending our state's grandparenting time statute so that it may pass constitutional muster by adding the decision of the parent as a factor in awarding grandparents court-ordered visitation.

Ryan J. Deel  
Troy

### The public's airwaves

I'm writing to express my support for a new idea to strengthen our democracy — increased air time for campaign discourse. The bill Congress passed last year to ban so-called soft money was an important step toward campaign finance reform. But it was only a first step.

Unless we do something to address the soaring costs of political campaigns, we'll be left with no real competition in our elections because so few people can afford to run. The best remedy on the demand side of the money and politics dilemma is to address the biggest source of the problem — broadcast television. In 2002, television stations sold more political ads than fast food ads.

Let's remember the airwaves belong to the public, not the television industry. We've given broadcasters free and exclusive licenses to operate our airwaves, but only on condition they serve the public interest. It's time Congress required they open up the airwaves so voters can make informed decisions. Maybe then we'll have a real choice on election day.

Dave Travis  
Livonia

Deanna Tachna  
Birmingham

### Wrong on race

I read with interest that four states are considering bringing back modified versions of their previously discredited race preference based practices for college admissions because of the recent split Supreme Court decision endorsing racial preferences as a way to achieve diversity.

By allowing racial preferences, we are pitting one race against another, which I believe is leading this country in the wrong direction. Article XIV of the U.S. Constitution, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and our Michigan Constitution are supposed to ensure equal treatment under the law regardless of race, sex or national origin. However, the Supreme Court decision has legitimized the use of racial preferences which undermine these laws.

Ward Connerly's campaign for a ballot initiative in Michigan is an appropriate and welcomed means to send a strong message to our judges and lawmakers that the citizens of Michigan know the true intent of the laws and are determined to put the principle of nondiscrimination into practice.

As a Black American, I look forward to the day when all Supreme Court justices will render decisions giving all citizens equal protection consistent with written laws.

Kirsten Galka  
Livonia

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— Larry Groth, Plymouth fire chief, on his retirement

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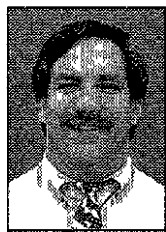


# Fire chief not aiming at politics, just at the fish

Larry Groth didn't even let the question get asked in full before he smiled and started shaking his head.

So, Chief, I hear you're quitting because "you want to run for office" Another smile, another head shake.

Groth, who last week announced he will retire in September, ending a 43-year career doing what he's always dreamed of doing - fighting fires - has heard the rumors that he wants to be Plymouth Township supervisor.



Brad Kadrich

He can't deny them fast enough. For the record, Groth, who has been Plymouth's fire chief since 1979, said he will not look for another job, certainly not one in politics.

"I've been in politics for 43 years, if you look at it that way," said Groth, who got his start as a volunteer with the City of Plymouth Fire Department in 1960. "I have no interest in that."

Not that people haven't approached him. There are people who have confused him with a politician-in-waiting, but there are also people who confuse an orangutan with a gorilla. Some people just don't know any better.

When you look at it, it's not an impossible notion. Groth is popular in town, a lifetime of involvement in his hometown and strong name recognition. There are people who don't like the job Steve Mann is doing and who would like to see him unseated.

Groth's popularity and name appeal would make him a logical target, right? Wrong. People who look at Groth and see him as a politician aren't looking closely enough for the grandfather in him.

"I'm not going to go out and get another job," Groth said. "I have four grandchildren, and a rather large family. I want to spend quality time with them."

There's also a longtime estrangement he wants to heal - with his fishing rod and hunting equipment. Groth used to be an avid hunter and fisherman, when he had the time. Mostly, since taking the chief's job, he hasn't had the time.

It's funny (ironic, not ha-ha) to him that his son, a 17-year veteran of the fire department at Metro Airport, gets to do more of that than he does.

"I get a little envious," Groth admits. "I taught him to do that."

So you can pardon Groth if he'd rather reel in a walleye than decide what kinds of trees to put in rights of way or how high the baseball fences should be at township park. Not that those aren't important issues, because they are.

They're just not *his* issues. His issues now are whether to bring his waders, or whether to stay on the beach or in a hotel.

"My wife and I want to do some traveling, which is something we haven't been able to do," Groth said.

If you want to talk politics as it relates to the Groth family, that's where you have to start. His wife, Sandy, is an announced candidate for township clerk. A former deputy clerk, she's been helping stir debate about how Mann plans to finance the new township hall he wants to build.

She quit as the township's deputy clerk earlier this year after getting into a dispute with Mann. She's been very vocal in her criticism of the administration. There is speculation that her bitter departure and public criticism sparked a chasm between Groth and Mann, which led to Groth's decision to retire.

Larry Groth shrugs all of that off. Whatever happened between his wife and the township administration is between them and, while he obviously supports his wife in her quest to get elected, he quickly debunks the notion it had anything to do with his decision.

"It had nothing to do with any of that," Groth said. "I have no political aspirations. I hope my wife gets elected, because that'll help put gas in my boat."

It's been a long career, spanning some 43 years, and it's simply time, in Groth's mind, to retire. His departure will open some promotional opportunities within the department, assuming the firefighters union doesn't bargain away the competitive testing within the department now required to be used to promote from within.

His departure also means no more budget crunches, no more union negotiations. Those are things he won't miss. Although he hasn't been popular with everyone - no boss is - he will miss the friendships he forged, inside the department and within the community, over that long career.

"I have no qualms," he said last week, in a moment of reflection. "I've had a long, rewarding career. This has been a great department, and I've had great relationships. I'm proud of my career."

He should be. Anyone who spends 43 years protecting the lives of the people whose community he shares has earned that right.

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# Minnesota's Spam Museum testament to traits on which country was built

There's really only one good reason to go to the Spam Museum in Austin, Minn.

Because it's there. Recently voted the No. 1 food museum in the country by the Food Network, the Spam Museum pays tribute not only to the most versatile mashed meat product in the world, but to the tenacity and entrepreneurial spirit of two men: George A. Hormel and his son, Jay. Together, they built an empire that now boasts 37 food brands and hundreds of products commonly found on local grocery store shelves.

OK, so one of those products is Garlic Spam. Is that really a bad thing?

I first became aware of the Spam Museum a year ago, while driving to see my daughter, who lives just north of Austin. Billboards proclaimed the glad tidings: The Spam Museum is finally open!

This news came as no small surprise. I've been away from Minnesota more than four years. Clearly, I needed to catch up.

En route to a family reunion last week (where the Soon-to-be-Mister was formally introduced), we stayed a night in Austin and with daughter in tow, trekked to this Eighth Wonder of the World.

As we pulled into the parking lot, a uniformed security guard informed us the museum wouldn't open for another 15 minutes. "But the gift shop is open. You can go in through that door and browse until the museum opens."

Well, of course. The gift shop there's just no way to describe this monument to marketability. We saw Spam magnets, T-shirts, pens, pencils, watches, clocks, baby clothing, basketballs and shot glasses. We bought a Spam Cam, because we'd left the digital behind and didn't want to miss any photo ops.

When the museum finally opened (about \$62 later), we began our self-guided tour with an eight-minute video called, "Spam: A Love Story." Footage of the Spam Jam 2000 showed a very Minnesota-looking young woman, Denise Sarafini, who declared herself Queen of the Spam Jam.

She even carried a magic Spam wand. A quartet called the "Spamettes" serenaded what looked like a crowd of thousands, with songs like *Mr. Spam-man*, *Spam-alot* and *The Outta Spam Blues*. People ate Spam tacos, Spam hot dogs, creamed Spam - there is

apparently no limit to the ways this pink brick of luncheon meat can be prepared.

Footage shot inside the plant introduced us to Jack, who explained the labeler he runs packages 320 cans per minute. In all, 13 employees produce 3,200 cans of Spam in 20 minutes, nearly 50,000 every day.

And they don't do it for looks or humor alone.

People all over the world consume about 50 MILLION cans of Spam every year. It's a staggering statistic, even more so when you consider the biggest Spam eaters in the country don't come from Minnesota.

No, sir. The U.S. citizens who eat the most Spam live in Hawaii, where it's often served with pineapple.

Go figure. Spam travels all over the world, from Nepal and Mt. Everest to the Great Wall of China. Now, lest you think this Spam business is all stuff and nonsense, keep in mind Hormel donates more than \$3 million every year to charitable causes, like local food shelves and the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. And Spam isn't Hormel's only product.

Our tour of the Spam museum included a bit of history as well. George Hormel founded his meat-packaging company in 1891 and later handed the reins to son, J.C., who originated Spam. (The name, incidentally, is the result of a contest. The winning entry combined the words "spiced" and "ham.")

Hormel's history also includes ugly labor disputes, the most notable of which was the Local P-9 strike of 1985-86. It followed several years of wage concessions and battles over safety conditions.

Not surprisingly, the Spam Museum doesn't have much information about that period of time. It does have a very cool interactive station, where you can tune yourself as you package a can of Spam and test yourself on knowledge of the meat-packaging process.

We closed our tour with Samples - yes, Samples - cubed and skewered with pretzels. STBM enjoyed the Turkey Spam. Daughter and I wrinkled our noses at everything but the pretzel.

Nevertheless, we found the entire experience enlightening, from the Spam-labeled parking spots to the history of Spam in the military.

Yes, all in all, the Spam Museum ranks right up there with the Paul Bunyan Camp, the World's Largest Dala Horse and Ole, the Alexandra Viking - yet another reason I'm proud to be from Minnesota.

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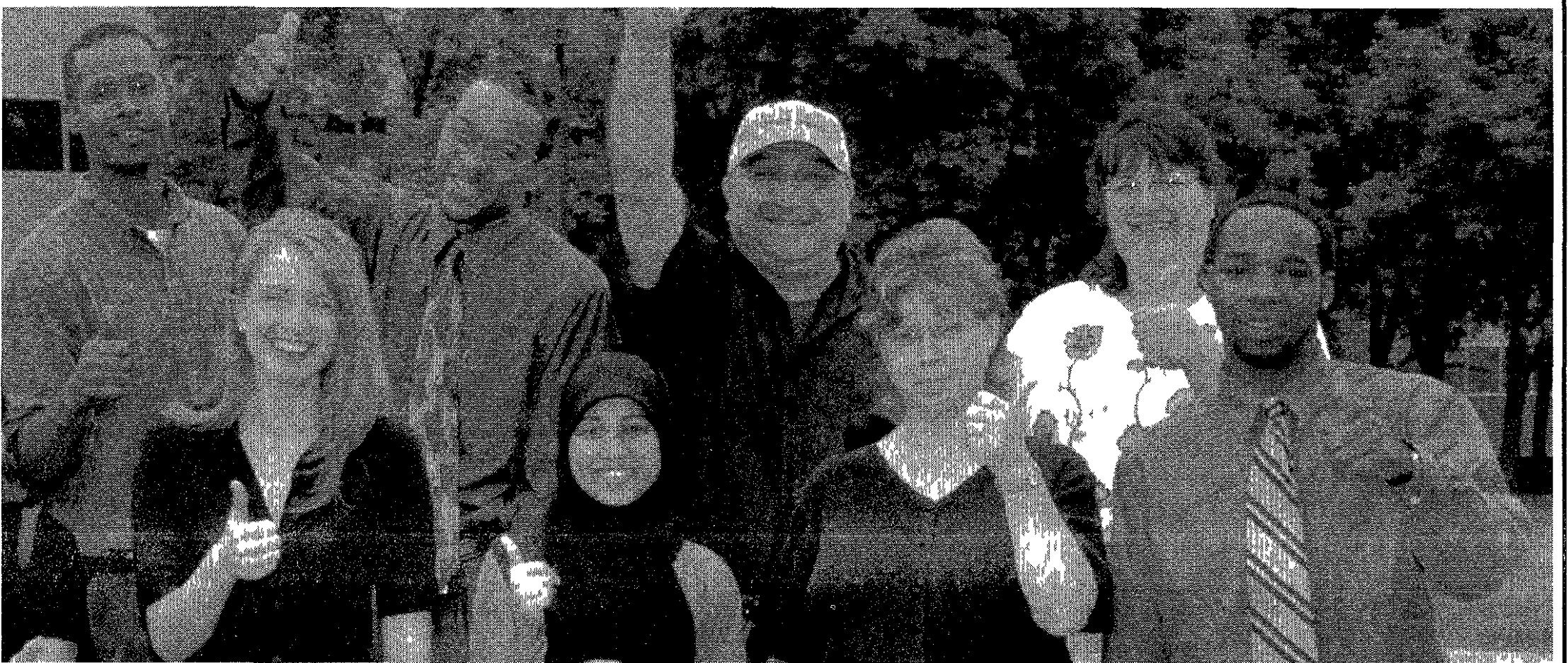




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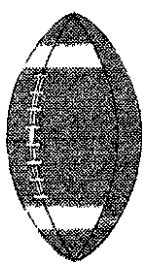
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## Sidelines

### ■ Soccer standouts

The Canton Conquest an U 17 girls premier soccer team opened its season with a first place showing in the U 18 Division at the Cherryland Invitational in Traverse City last weekend. The Conquest were 2 0 1 in the preliminary rounds then beat the Darien Daredevils (from Chicago) 3 1 in the finals.

Team members are Erica Arndt Maureen Bielski Kristen Boylan Brittany Cervi Christie Daniels Lisa Ealy Bailey Fagan Diana Fedrigo Taylor Foley Colette Gilman Amy Gizicki Bethany Lane Ali Lindow Megan McCarthy Stephanie Price and Molly Priebe. The team is coached by Drew Crawford And Dan Fagan. The team manger is Rich Priebe.

### ■ 1st-place champs

The Plymouth Canton Pirates a Little Caesars Baseball Federation team won all five of their games to finish first in the 10 and under division at the Millington Athletic Association Invitational Tournament July 18 20.

The Pirates won their first game by a 15 1 mercy score

over Frankenmuth Friday night then beat the Lansing Cubs with another mercy score Saturday morning before edging the Flushing Raiders 5 3 Saturday after noon. Two more wins on Sunday 6 0 over Otisville and 12 1 against NFWB clinched the top spot for the Pirates.

Johnathan Ford (from Canton) led the Pirates hitting attack with two triples and a home run while the pitching led by starters Devin Price and Scott Devine of Plymouth and Eric Olech and Jacob Morris of Canton plus the strong work of closer Danny Adsit of Plymouth allowed just eight runs all weekend.

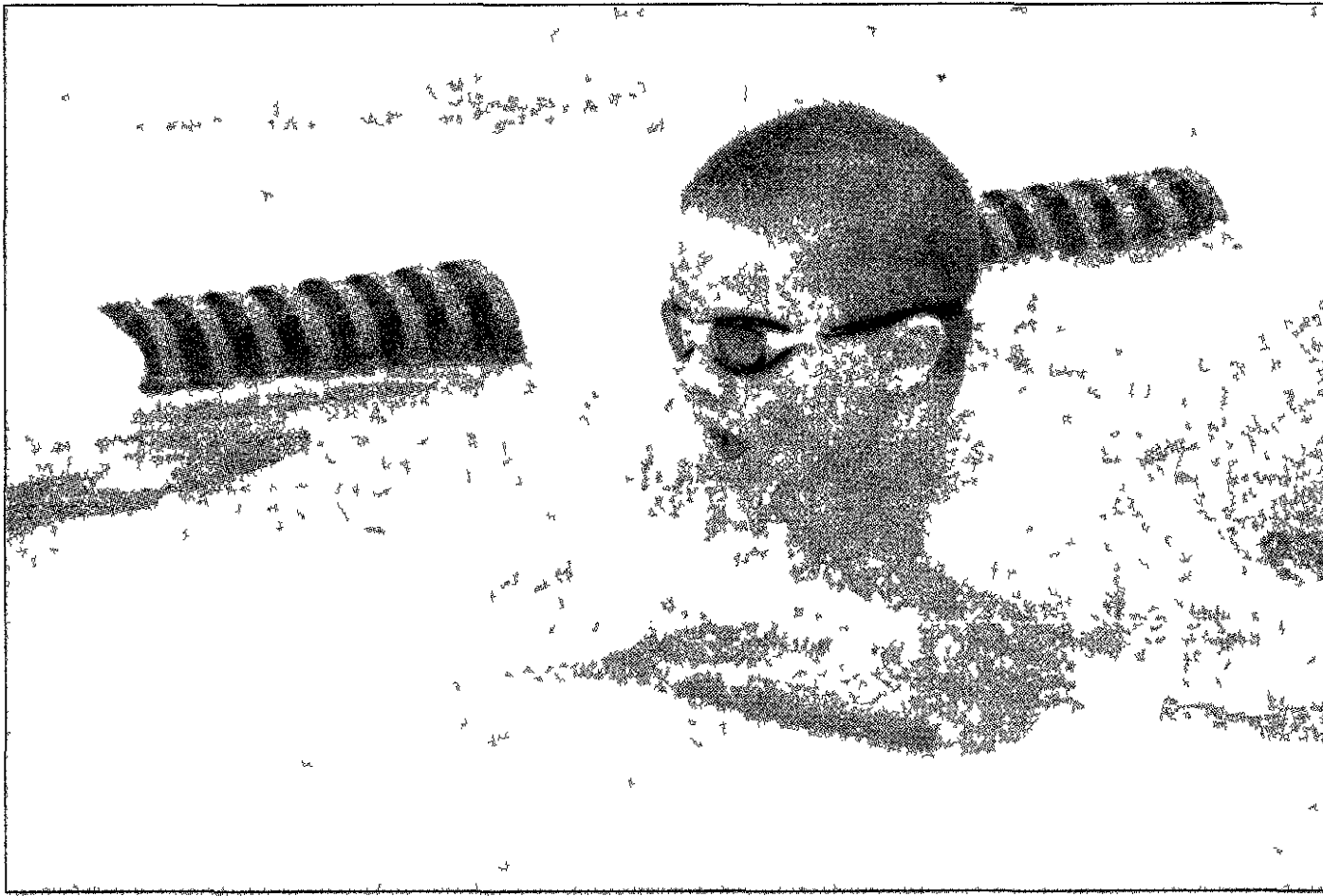
Other team members are Alex Bodner Jacob Bolz Alec Khouri Angelo Lanava and Johnathon Lopus from Plymouth and David Brish Phil Emminger and Clayton Middleton from Canton. The Pirates are coached by Bruce Price Denny Devine and Angelo Lanava of Plymouth.

### ■ Series champs

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association's 11 and under Indians baseball team collected their second straight World Series title using three pitchers in beating the Marlins 5 2 in the final.

Jake Burnstein Chris Kordick and Troy McParlane were on the mound for the Indians with Charlie Clark serving as the catcher. The Marlins did put two runners on base in the last inning with two out but the Indians held on for the victory.

Other team members are Michael Maciag Sean Knipp Mitchell Wolski Josh Johnston Luke Woodruff Doug Shepherd Troy McParlane Shane Anderson Sam Rector and Eric Lee. The team's coaches are Don Clark Chris Anderson Art Maciag and Kurt Johnston.



ERIC BRONSON | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Nine-year-old Maxwell Yoas competed in the 25 meter breaststroke for Colony Swim Club of Plymouth. Colony finished second in the league meet.

## Sharks the master at league meet

BY LAURA COLVIN  
STAFF WRITER

Hundreds of young swimmers converged on Fairway Farms Swim Club in Livonia last week to close out a summer of competition with an annual championship meet.

The Summer Independent Swim League Meet drew more than 500 competitors from across Livonia, Plymouth, Canton and Northville, with swimmers ranging in age from the under-eight group on up to 18.

"It was a smashing success," said Mel O'Dowd, president of Fairway Farms Swim Club, which hosted the meet this

year. "We had lots of spectators and the weather cooperated. We were very pleased with the way it went."

The five local swim clubs have been competing against one another since 1973.

This year, the Newburgh Sharks took home the league championship for the third time in four years.

"We've just been lucky the last few years," said Rich Bennetts, manager of the Newburgh Swim Club in Livonia. "We've had an influx of experienced kids who swim in other leagues all year."

The league meet, which took place July 26, is the culmination of summer-

long individual meets in which each team swims twice against the four others — once at the home pool and once away.

Newburgh closed out the season 8-0, and finished first in the league championship with 536 points. Second place Plymouth Colony Swim Club of Canton finished with 400 points.

The first half of the daylong event remained very close between the top two teams, according to information posted on Newburgh's Web site. Later in the day, Newburgh took first place in the 9-10 medley relay, the 9-10 free

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## SupHer! Demolition repeat!

BY CHRIS MAYER  
STAFF WRITER

The Detroit Demolition entered 2003 as the defending National Womens Football Association champions.

Detroit unveiled a new moniker — the franchise was known as the Danger during its inaugural 2002 season when the team defeated Massachusetts in the SupHer Bowl game — but the spotlight was clearly on head coach Tony Blankenship's squad. Could the Demolition make it two straight NWFA titles?

Simply put, yes. The Demolition wrapped up a brilliant second season last Saturday night, holding off the Pensacola (Fla.) Power in the NWFA championship game. Most Valuable Player Kim Grodus scored on a 1-yard quarterback sneak with 5:51 remaining to lead Detroit to a

### WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

28-21 victory before an announced crowd of 3,000 at Vanderbilt University's Dudley Field in Nashville, Tenn.

"It feels better and better every day," Blankenship said Monday. "It was a great game for the fans to watch. We made it that way at times, but you have to give Pensacola credit for playing hard and coming from behind."

Sometimes it's more difficult to defend a championship than win one. Blankenship would agree in Detroit's case, but the ability to line up opponents and knock them down has the Demolition on the threshold of a dynasty.

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## Locals lead in Junior Tour

Last Friday was a good day on the links for Cohn Fitzgerald and Stephen Pilzner — a bit better for Fitzgerald, however.

The Livonia native shot a 77 and finished first in the boys 15-and-over division in the Meijer Junior Players Tour event at Rackham Golf Course in Huntington Woods. The first-place finish on the 6,555-yard course earned Fitzgerald 75 tour points.

Pilzner, from Plymouth, also shot a 77 but lost in the tiebreaker, placing second and scoring 45 points. Dustin McGowan of Garden City also earned points with a 12th-place finish, firing an 82 that got him seven points.

Other Observer-area golfers were Rick Knuth of Livonia, with a 91, and Andrew Pellegrino of Farmington Hills, also with a 91.

In the girls 15-and-over division, Samantha Talbot of Plymouth won by four strokes, shooting an 85 on the 5,683-yard course to garner 75 tour points. Danielle Bickle of Canton was ninth, scoring 10 points, with a 108.

In the boys 13-14 division, Brandon Pilzner of Plymouth shot an 82 on the 6,002-yard

### JUNIOR GOLF

course to place fourth and score 35 points. Matt Talbot of Plymouth carded an 83, finishing seventh and scoring 20 points, and Jeffery Selasky of Plymouth had an 84 to place ninth and score 10 points.

Other Observer-area golfers were Drew Herron of Livonia, a 90, and Austin Stillmon of Livonia, a 94.

In the girls 13-14 division, Andrea Warzyniec of Livonia fired a 92 on the 5,413-yard course to take fourth place and score 35 tour points. Chrissy McHenry of Livonia had a 98, placing fifth and scoring 30 points.

And in the boys 10-12 division, which was called after 13 holes due to inclement weather, Nicholas Walker of Garden City shot got a second-place finish with a 60, scoring 45 points.

### Power-Bilt standouts

In the last Power-Bilt Junior Tour event of

PLEASE SEE TOUR, B5



Rick Wheeler of Plymouth was the winner in first flight at last year's O & E Golf Tournament.

## Defending champs of O & E tournament would like a repeat

BY PAUL BEAUDRY  
STAFF WRITER

Kevin Wallon is grumbling a little bit about his golf game.

His handicap is going in the wrong direction, and he's not shooting what he feels he's capable of. And he's not getting out as much as he'd like to.

But Canton's Wallon knows the target is squarely on his back this weekend. And, as the defending champion of the *Observer & Eccentric* Open Golf Tournament, he's ready.

"I'm looking forward to it," said Wallon, the Livonia Churchill grad

### GOLF PREVIEW

who carved out a four-stroke championship-flight win last year over his co-worker at SBC, Dan Donahue of Novi.

Last year was my first chance to play in the tourney, even though I grew up in Livonia and worked at Whispering Willows. Even though I don't live in Livonia anymore, I still think of it as my home course." Wallon bested the field with 145 and Donahue shooting 152.

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Eight-year-old Mandy McSween competes in the 25-meter backstroke for Colony Swim Club of Plymouth

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**SWIM RESULTS**

**INDEPENDENT SWIM LEAGUE MEET RESULTS**  
July 26 at Fairway Farms

**TEAM STANDINGS** 1 Newburgh Swim Club 536 2 Plymouth Colony SC 400 3 Burton Hollow SC 136 4 Northville SC 112 5 Fairway Farms SC 96

**BOYS EVENT WINNERS**  
**25 METER FREESTYLE**  
8 and under David Walborn (Colony) 19 06  
10 and under A J Aquino (Newburgh) 16 69

**50 FREESTYLE**  
8 and under David Walborn (Colony) 45 25  
10 and under Adam Seroka (Colony) 35 23  
12 and under Michael Cruce (Newburgh) 31 45  
15 and under Matt Jurcak (Colony) 26 7  
open Mike Handley (Northville) 27 91

**25 BACKSTROKE**  
8 and under Tom O'Brien (Newburgh) 26 27  
10 and under A J Aquino (Newburgh) 20 57

**50 BACKSTROKE**  
Open Jeff Nevi (Colony) 31 02  
15 and under Matt Jurcak (Colony) 31 83  
12 and under Kyle Hermann (Newburgh) 35 9

**25 BREASTSTROKE**  
10 and under Jake McNamara (Newburgh) 22 79

**50 BREASTSTROKE**  
12 and under Kyle Hermann (Newburgh) 39 33  
15 and under David Godzinski (Fairway Farms) 35 37

**100 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY**  
12 and under Michael Cruce (Newburgh) 121 64  
15 and under Travis Hatt (Newburgh) 107 24

**25 BUTTERFLY**  
10 and under Adam Seroka (Colony) 17 42

**50 BUTTERFLY**  
12 and under Robert Luke (Newburgh) 37 11  
15 and under Travis Hatt (Newburgh) 28 67

**GIRLS EVENT WINNERS**  
**25 FREESTYLE**  
8 and under Lauren Seroka (Colony) 16 29  
10 and under Carla McNamara (Newburgh) 17 57

**50 FREESTYLE**  
8 and under Lauren Seroka (Colony) 36 11  
10 and under Savannah Hatt (Newburgh) 36 09  
12 and under Mary Bender (Newburgh) 31 45  
15 and under Katharine Johnson (Newburgh) 30 42

**open** Andrea Giczewski (Burton Hollow) 29 15

**25 BACKSTROKE**  
8 and under Sara Dillon (Colony) 24 16  
10 and under Carla McNamara (Newburgh) 20 52

**50 BACKSTROKE**  
Open Andrea Giczewski (Burton Hollow) 33 27  
15 and under Katharine Johnson (Newburgh) 35 7  
12 and under Laura Timson (Newburgh) 35 2

**25 BREASTSTROKE**  
10 and under Kelly Bedro (Newburgh) 22 17

**50 BREASTSTROKE**  
12 and under Laura Timson (Newburgh) 37 02  
15 and under Lisa Koch (Newburgh) 36 72

**100 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY**  
12 and under Laura Timson (Newburgh) 113 97  
15 and under Marissa Gordon (Burton Hollow) 111 73

**25 BUTTERFLY**  
10 and under Meeghan Hughes (Colony) 18 08

**50 BUTTERFLY**  
12 and under Kelley Hodges (Colony) 33 49  
15 and under Anna Polkowski (Fairway Farms) 32 24

**MIXED RELAY WINNERS**  
**200 meter medley (open)** Colony (Lisa Gulikson John Napolitano Jeff Nevi Tim Storch) 2 11 51  
**200 freestyle (open)** Newburgh (Meredith Bajor Sarah Timson Garrett Baringhaus Nick Folas) 1 57 98  
**100 freestyle (8 and under)** Colony (Taylor Rieckhoff David Walborn Oliv a Samoray Lauren Seroka) 1 15 6  
**100 freestyle (10 and under)** Newburgh (Carla McNamara Daniel Abrahamson A J Aquino Brian Gotberg) 1 09 33  
**200 freestyle (12 and under)** Newburgh (Christina Bender Michael Cruce Kyle Hermann Eric Makinen) 2 07 57  
**200 freestyle (15 and under)** Burton Hollow (Marissa Gordon Sam Loria Steve Bruestle Matt Massman) 1 52 75  
**100 medley (10 and under)** Newburgh (Kelly Bedro Savannah Hatt Leah Williams Andy Jensen) 1 19 01  
**200 medley (12 and under)** Newburgh (Christina Bender Mary Bender Julie Gotberg Robert Luke) 2 28 55  
**200 medley (15 and under)** Burton Hollow (Marissa Gordon Addie Turlo Steve Bruestle Matt Massman) 2 11 01

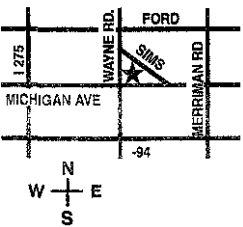
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relay, the 11-12 medley relay and the 11 12 free relay, four races that helped the Sharks earn the right to host the league's traveling trophy

The trophy has made it's home here quite a bit in the last few years, Bennetts said

"We made a spot for it right out front"

Newburgh also won the championship in 2000 and 2001 Before that the team

had no league victories in the 30 year history of the competition

"It all goes in cycles," Bennetts said "The main thing is that it's fun for the kids"

Burton Hollow Swim Club of Livonia placed third this year, with 136 points

"We did pretty good for our team," said Alex Roberge, head coach for Burton Hollow "Usually we place last, so I was very happy overall"

Some of Burton Hollow's swimmers earned bragging rights of their own this year

"My relay team broke a record," said Matt Massman, 15, a sophomore at Stevenson High School "I was very happy and proud"

Massman, who swam on the 13-15 200 meter freestyle relay team, has been swimming for Burton Hollow for 3 years, and also swims and plays football at Stevenson

Fourth place went to Northville Swim Club, with 112 points, and fifth place went to hosting Fairway Farms with 96

With only 85 kids compared to Newburgh's 140

Fairway Farms is the smallest team in the league

"The kids did an awesome job," said Megan Bruestle, swim coach at Fairway Farms "My goal was for them to learn something, have fun and make new friends They did all of those things"

For 7-year-old Aidan O'Dowd, a Fairway Farms swimmer, fun is the key element

"You get a lot of ribbons and meet a lot of friends," she said

You get really tired but it's a lot of fun"

**BASKETBALL TRYOUTS**

**SALEM BASKETBALL**

Girls interested in trying out for any of the Salem HS teams — freshmen, junior varsity or varsity — should report to the Salem gymnasium at 9 a m Monday Girls must have passed a physical exam and must bring a copy with you Monday morning In order for the physical to be valid, it must have been taken

after April 15, 2003  
Call Salem varsity coach Fred Thomann at (723) 484-7746

**CANTON BASKETBALL**

Canton HS will conduct team tryouts for its varsity, junior varsity and freshmen teams on Monday, Aug 11 at the Canton gymnasium The varsity tryout will be at 8 45 a.m., with the

junior varsity at 10 a m and the freshmen at 11 a.m. Those planning to try out must have their sport physical by the first practice (any physical taken on or after April 15, 2003 is good for the 2003-04 school year), they must have a practice jersey, and must be on time and ready to go Call head coach Bob Blohm at (734) 459-1763 (home) or at (313) 520-8700 (cell)

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# Concealed takes 3rd at Series

BY PAUL BEAUDRY  
STAFF WRITER

After going through district, regional and its first two games of the AABC Mickey Mantle World Series unbeaten, something had to give for Concealed Security eventually.

Still, finishing third in the nation was a pretty solid achievement for the team. "We did well to get there and did a nice job once we got there," Concealed manager Lou Pirronello said of his under-16 team. "This wasn't a buy-in tourney. There were over 3,000 teams trying to get there."

After taking its Thursday opener, Concealed won its semifinal game Friday, 11-10 over host McKinney, Texas, but

## BASEBALL

lost to Dallas, Texas, in the winners bracket final, 7-4. Saturday Concealed (38-12) was then eliminated in the losers bracket by Walnut, Calif., 7-2, to finish third overall. Dallas beat Walnut in the finals, 4-1.

Against McKinney, Concealed punted a 9-0 lead after three innings thanks to five errors, but allowed the Texans to come back once starting pitcher Steve Karchefski was pulled. McKinney fought back and tied the score at 9-9 by the seventh inning and it stayed that way until the 11th when Eric Vojtkofsky (Wayne/Redford

CC) hit his second two-run homer of the game for an 11-9 lead. McKinney got one back in the bottom of the 11th, but got no closer.

Karchefski, who had re-entered in the seventh inning, got the win and struck out eight with three hits and two runs. Vojtkofsky was 3-for-5 with a pair of two-run homers and three runs scored. Digger Towe was 3-for-5 with a triple and two runs scored. John Rochow (Farmington Hills) was 2-for-4 with two runs scored and Evan Sharpley was 2-for-5.

The magic ended in the next game as Dallas scored a pair of runs in three straight innings for the win. Dallas pitcher Gunner Glad didn't help Concealed, allowing just four

hits with nine strikeouts and two walks. Vojtkofsky had another two-run homer (his fourth of the series), while Scott Szpryka (West Bloomfield), Towe and Jeff Richard (West Bloomfield) had hits. Chris Rusin (Canton) took the loss, giving up eight hits and striking out two with six walks. Walnut ended the season for Concealed on Saturday, thanks to a five-run fourth inning and holding Concealed to just four hits.

Towe had a pair of the hits with a double and an RBI, while Vojtkofsky and Max Bell each singled. Richard took the loss, giving up just three hits and nine walks with three strikeouts. pbeaudry@oehomecomm.net | (734) 953 2106

## TOURNAMENT

FROM PAGE B1

Livonia's Alex McLuckie was at 154 and Redford's Steve Geandes at 155.

About 50 golfers from around the area are expected to take part in the 36-hole tourney, with 18 holes being played Saturday at Fox Creek and 18 more Sunday at Whispering Willows.

This year also features a women's division, playing 18 holes Sunday, and is expected to draw about a dozen golfers.

Participants are fairly local in both divisions, coming from Livonia, Birmingham, Plymouth, Canton, Redford, Northville, Royal Oak, Novi and Walled Lake. Plymouth's Rick Wheeler is the defending first-flight champ by virtue of his 158.

Wallon came out of Fox Creek last year with a 75 - one shot behind first-round leader Geandes. During Sunday's play,

he was down as many as four shots with 12 holes to play.

But I stuck to my game plan and things worked out for me," Wallon said. "I got in some trouble off the tee, but I never made worse than a bogey. I didn't do anything stupid to make a big number. I just played smart and got out of trouble."

This year, he hopes to stick with the game plan, although the execution might not be at the level he wants. His handicap is up to a 23 from a 17 and he's been getting out on Saturdays but not much more.

I've made sure that I've played Fox Creek and Whispering Willows in recent weeks, Wallon said. Both courses were in great shape and the fairways were fantastic. I haven't practiced a lot, but I don't have the time to put into it.

But I'll go out, manage the courses as best I can and try not to make anything worse than a bogey. We'll see what happens."

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## Twisters dominate Timberwolves

It figured to be a tight contest between a pair of Mid-Continent Football League unbeatens when the Michigan Twisters met the Southern Michigan Timberwolves Saturday at Navarre Stadium in Monroe.

But while the host Timberwolves showed sparks of life at the start of each half, the rest of the game was dominated by the Twisters who improved to 2-0 with a 34-14 triumph.

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The loss left the Timberwolves at 2-1.

After forcing the Twisters to punt on their opening possession of the game, the Timberwolves marched 78 yards in seven plays, the last 41 covered by a touchdown pass from Phil Peake to Jason Siller. Siller also had two other catches in the drive for 19 yards and the Twisters led 7-0.

A 55-yard kickoff return by Frank Stanford gave the Twisters good field position in their ensuing possession at the Timberwolves 37, and they took advantage with a 25-yard scoring pass from Orlando Wright to Matt Koski (from Garden City) on a screen play. The extra-point kick was missed leaving the Twisters down 7-6, but it didn't stay that way for long.

The Twisters fumbled away a completed pass later in the second quarter and Twister linebacker Brian Wright scooped up the bobble and took it the final 20 yards into the end zone, making it 13-7. A Wright-to-Stanford scoring pass covering 61 yards late in the second period increased the Twisters' lead to 20-7 by halftime, a lead they would not surrender.

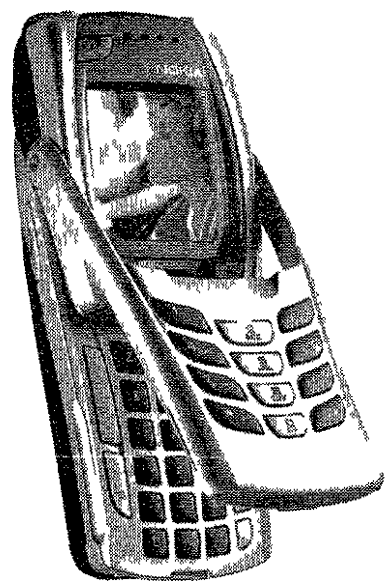
The Twisters seemed to be making a game of it to start the second half, scoring on their first possession to make it 20-14. That, however, was as close as they would come.

The Twisters forced four turnovers in the game and got two more TDs on a 17-yard Wright-to-Jason Milan screen pass and a 30-yard punt return by Stanford after the Twisters were forced to kick from deep in their own territory. Pat Gibson booted four extra-point kicks for the Twisters.

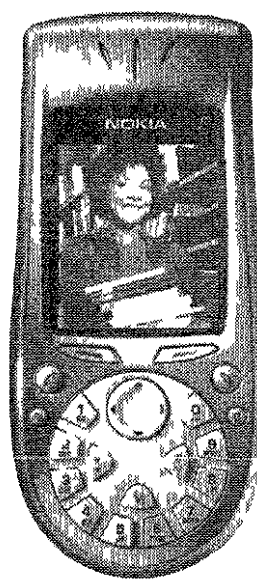
The Twisters host the Indiana Mustangs at 7 p.m. Saturday at Willow Run HS. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$2 for seniors and students 18-and-under. Kids six-and-under are admitted free when accompanied by an adult.

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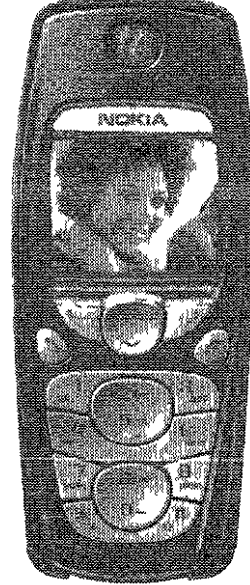
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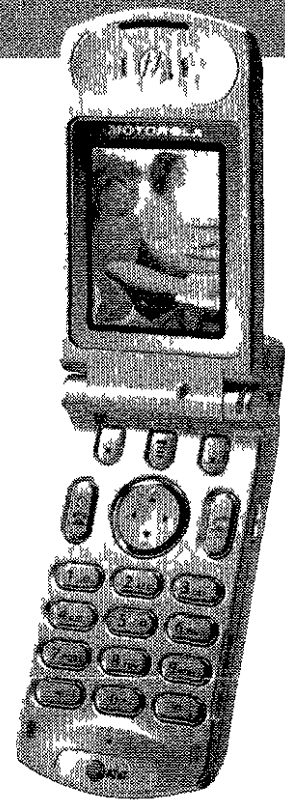
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# What are you planning to do to *your* house this fall?



We know it's early—the trees are still green and we're still mowing our lawns, but it won't be long before you'll want to begin those fall home improvement projects. There are probably a few floating around in the back of your mind as you read this.

Well, here's a "heads-up" on getting your fall home improvement done before the snow flies.

We will publish our annual fall home improvement guide, A NEW LEAF in early September. Look for it the week of September 7th and enjoy all the great ideas and advice we always collect for this super section.

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**SUPHER**

FROM PAGE B1

"It was so important for us to be mentally focused and keep our mental preparation at a high level, Blankenship said "We couldn't afford to become bored and complacent and get caught

"We know what to expect now, he added This was the first time that we were being chased Last year we weren't being chased because no one knew who we were, but we had to go through this season being chased and hunted And now we know how to defend ourselves"

Detroit, which has won five straight playoff games over the past two years, watched Southern Conference champ Pensacola (10-1) strike for a pair of quick touchdowns early in the fourth quarter and tie the game 21-21

Soma Kircharr tossed a 2-yard scoring pass to Karen Bray with 13:32 left and Emily Morgan kicked the extra point The Power then stunned the Demolition when Kircharr and Morgan connected on a 70-yard strike with 10:37 to go

But Detroit (11-0) took the ensuing kickoff and Grodus scored from 1 yard out to cap an eight-play, 53-yard drive Misty Findlay kicked her fourth extra point of the night to end the scoring

Grodus finished 12 of 19 passing for 157 yards and three touchdowns She was intercept-

ed once

"Kim did a great job for us this year," Blankenship said "When we needed to make something happen, she made it happen She struggled a little bit early in the season, but she never got rattled She never lost confidence and that was key"

Grodus threw first-half touchdown passes of 12 yards to Miaya Tolbert and 20 yards to Angela Griffin as Detroit built a 14-0 lead

Cassie Amato's 3-yard TD run and Morgan's PAT with 5:53 left before halftime helped the Power close within 14-7, but Detroit regained its two-touchdown advantage when Grodus found Tolbert for a 28-yard scoring play with 9:51 to go in the third quarter

The Demolition amassed 306 total yards and 17 first downs compared to 185 yards and 11 first downs for Pensacola Detroit held a 35-37-24-23 edge in time of possession, but was forced to overcome 12 penalties for 98 yards

Laure Aaron (12 carries, 65 yards) and Heather Alexander (10 carries, 64 yards) led Detroit's rushing attack Tolbert finished with four receptions for 64 yards and Anne Yoches had three catches for 48 yards

Kircharr passed 6-of-15 for 141 yards - Morgan made three catches for 124 yards - and Amato collected 52 yards on 11 carries

Demolition linebacker Kim Walters turned in a big defensive effort with nine tackles and two sacks Porcha Johnson added seven tackles

**BASEBALL & SOFTBALL TRYOUTS**

**BASEBALL TRYOUT**

The Canton Cobras under 13 travel baseball team is having a tryout at 10 a.m. this Saturday and again at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 23 at UAW No. 735, located on Michigan Avenue in Canton

The coaching staff has a combined 30 years of youth baseball experience, specializing in skills and drills The team is also well-sponsored for low player cost

For more information, call Jim Patterson at (734) 207-7793

**COUGAR TRYOUTS**

The Canton Cougars, a 14-year-old travel baseball team, will have tryouts for their 2004 season starting at 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, and Sunday,

Aug. 24 at Heritage Park in Canton

The Cougars will play around 40 games, including Little Caesar's League play and several tournaments Persons born on or after Aug. 1, 1989, are eligible to play

Those interested in trying out for the Cougars should be at Heritage Park by 3:30 p.m. on the above-listed days to sign in

For more information, call Marc Madias at 207-5424

**SOFTBALL TRYOUT**

The Canton/Plymouth Thunderbird Softball Incorporated girls fastpitch organization has scheduled a tryout for the 2004 season on Aug. 23 at Discovery Middle School in Canton

Age group times are 14-and-under, 10 a.m., 16-and-under, 11 a.m., 12-and-under, 11 a.m., 10-and-under, noon The rainout date is Aug. 24

For more information, visit the Web site at <http://www.members.tripod.com/thunderbirdsoftball> or call (734) 737-9968 for 16-and-under, (734) 844-2656 for 14-and-under, (734) 397-1355 for 12-and-under, and (734) 981-7280 for 18-and-under and 10-and-under

**FALL SOFTBALL**

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will sponsor men's slow-pitch and women's slow-pitch softball leagues this fall, with all games at Plymouth's Massey Field

Registration has begun with the season tentatively starting the week of Aug. 25

For more information, call the Plymouth Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302, or go to the Web site at [www.ci.plymouth.mi.us](http://www.ci.plymouth.mi.us)

**PLATINUM**

FROM PAGE B1

Presto! They had a team The question then was whether they could get them to play like one

Not at first Michigan Platinum, which included Kathy Hammerschmidt, Carly Schwan, Ellen Canale and Alyssa Guerin from Salem, lost three-straight games in pool play in the 28-team tournament (seven pools with four teams in each), then dropped its first game in the double-elimination tournament

"We didn't get a lot of practice time," said Thomann of his newly formed squad "By the time we got it together, it was the fifth game"

At least it wasn't too late The Platnums rolled off eight-straight wins after starting 0-4 and found themselves in the semifinals of the losers

bracket, going up against a Tennessee Elite squad that eventually did sideline them

The elite team from North Carolina won the tournament, beating Tennessee in the final Michigan Platinum finished fourth, earning a trophy and individual medals

Joining the Salem girls on the squad were Ashley Jones, Leshia Jones and Tamarah Riley from King and Ashley McDowell and Kiesha Mosley from DePorres

"The kids from King were outstanding," said Thomann, then added, "But to be honest our kids stepped up their game and played with them They earned it"

And, according to Thomann, the experience was well worth the effort "I think so, he said "They got to play against some of the great players in the country"

And they did extremely well

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**WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING SYNOPSIS 3:00 P.M. MONDAY, JULY 28, 2003**

Regular meeting called to order at 3:15 p.m.  
Present: Terry Bennett, Steve Mann, Richard Henningsen  
Agenda - adopted as amended adding item # VIII(b) Middle Rouge HVAC Unit Replacement  
Minutes of regular meeting of June 23, 2003 - approved  
Schedule of disbursements totaling \$899,564.66 - approved  
Operations & Maintenance Report for June 2003 - received and filed  
Director's Report for July 2003 - received and filed  
Grinder/Compactor Purchase Lower Rouge - approval to accept proposal from Duperon of Saginaw Michigan  
Middle Rouge HVAC Unit Replacement - approval to accept proposal from Fuller Heating & Cooling for the replacement of the main HVAC unit at Middle Rouge  
Bill's Outdoor Care Contract Renewal - approved  
Middle Rouge Enclosed Flight Screw Pump Painting Award of Contract - approval to award a contract to Dave Cole Decorators of Sparta, Michigan  
Infrastructure Management System Hardware Recommendation - approval to purchase a Dell workstation for the infrastructure management system at a cost not to exceed \$4,999  
YCUA Plant Expansion Update - received and filed  
The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Alternate TERRY BENNETT

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA AUGUST 14, 2003**

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, August 14, 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

- Robert Randall of Tony V's Sunrooms & Spa, 20330 Hall Road, Clinton Twp, MI 48038 representing Ronald and Ruth Kacic, 44687 Westminister Way, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 44687 Westminister Way, southwest side of Section 10. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Schedule of Regulations Article 26 00 Section 26 02 relative to rear yard setbacks in the R-1 district. Parcel #039 01 0764 000 (Building) (TABLED FROM JULY 10, 2003 MEETING)
- Todd and Patty Green, 1825 Delancy Circle, Canton, MI 48188. Property located at 1825 Delancy Circle, Canton, MI 48188, east side of Denton Road between Cherry Hill and Geddes Road. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Schedule of Regulations Article 26 00 Section 26 02 minimum rear setback, Zone R2, Class 401. Parcel #079 02 0463 000 (Building)
- Terry E. Ulch of Aver Sign Co., 359 Livernois Ferndale, MI 48220 representing T-Mobile, 1753 N. Canton Center, Canton, MI 48188. Property located at 1753 N. Canton Center, south side of Ford Road between Ford Road and Cherry Hill Road. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 9 9 1 sign square footage. Parcel #061 99 0003 703 (Building)
- Robert Breach, 1300 N. Beck Road, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 1300 N. Beck Road, east side of Beck Road between Ford Road and Saltz Road. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Nonconformities Article 3 00 Section 3 03 F expansion of existing porch in front yard setback, Zone R3. Parcel #062 99 0023 000 (Building)
- Dean Madsen and Mary Kratzer Madsen, 2030 Rector Ct, Canton, MI 48188 requesting a variance to Fence Ordinance 103 Section 8 D2 allow a fence to be located in back yard. Property located at same address, south side of Palmer Road between Rector Drive and corner of Rector Drive and Rector Court, Zone R5. Parcel #106 01 0117 000 (Building)
- Cherry Hill Investors LLC & Uptown Investors LLC of Cherry Hill Village Planned Development & Uptown Planned Development, 2025 West Long Lake Road, Suite 104, Troy, Michigan 48099. Property located at Ridge & Cherry Hill. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 6 6 2 4A regulates setbacks for signs. Parcel #067 99 0011 000 Parcel #072 99 0003 000 Parcel #072 99 0004 000 Parcel #072 99 0015 000 Parcel #072 99 0016 000 Parcel #072 99 0017 000 Parcel #072 99 0022 000 (Building)
- Kevin J. Kwiatkowski of Pulte Homes, 26622 Woodward Ave, Suite 204, Royal Oak, MI 48067 representing Ben Grosse of Pearl Sounds LTD, 2940 W. Burbank Blvd, Burbank, CA 91505. Property located at 47360 Ford Road, north side of Ford Road and east side of Beck Road. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 6 6 2 off premise temporary sign requirements, Zone R1. Parcel #062 99 0044 701 (Building)

(Approval of June 12, 2003 and July 10, 2003 Minutes)

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**TOUR**

FROM PAGE B1

the summer prior to the end-of-the-season tournament, Matt Malloure of Farmington Hills and Brian King of Livonia both shot 77s in the boys 11-15 division, played Monday on the 6,285-yard Timber Ridge course in Lansing

Malloure finished fifth to earn 30 points while King placed sixth and got 25 points. The only other Observer-area golfer in the division was Michael Gensch of Plymouth who shot a 96

In the girls 11-15 division, played on a Timber Ridge course measuring 5,275 yards, Shannon Warner of Livonia

shot an 87 to finish fourth, scoring 35 points

And in the boys 16-and-over division, played on a 6,585-yard course, Brad Fischer of Livonia shot an 86, Brad Schmitz of Livonia had an 87 and Andrew Byberg of Livonia scored an 89

Last Friday, the Power-Bit Tour visited Stonebridge Golf Course in Ann Arbor and Jimmy Burns of Plymouth was sixth with a 75, scoring 25 points on the 6,732-yard course. Patrick Shaw placed 14th with a 79 to earn five points

Other Observer area golfers included Brad Schmitz of Livonia with an 81, Adam Dwyer of Plymouth with an 84, Brad Fischer of Livonia with an 84, David Koch of

Farmington Hills with an 88, Andy Thackaberry of Canton with an 89 and Andrew Byberg of Livonia with a 92

In the boys 11-15 division, which only went five holes on the 5,481-yard course because of inclement weather, Patrick Alger of Livonia was third with a 21, scoring 40 points, and Michael Gensch of Plymouth was 11th, scoring eight points. Matt Malloure of Farmington Hills had a 26 and Anthony Mahzia of Farmington Hills shot a 27

The girls 11-15 division only made it through three holes on the 5,795-yard course. Ashley Smith of Plymouth was fourth with a 14, scoring 35 points

**Collegiate Series scorer**

Nikos Markellos of Redford put up rounds of 79 and 77 for a 156 total, earning him a tie for 17th place and one point in the mens division at the Fidora Midwest Collegiate Series Tournament played on the 7,011-yard Warren Golf Course at Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind.

Greg Laws of Wayne placed just out of the scoring with a 78-80/158, as did Jimmy Cappelli of Garden City with a 79-80/159. The only other Observer-area competitor was John Kluka of Farmington Hills with an 86-88/174

**STORAGE USA**

Notice is hereby given that on (August 18 2003) Tate & Co Auctioneers Executive Administrator for Storage USA will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process by public auction the following storage units. The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods. The terms of the sale will be cash only. Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. The sale will be at the following location: Storage USA 6729 CANTON CENTER RD CANTON, MI 48187 AT 12:30 PM

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The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the purchase of one Ford F 250 4x4 Styleside Pickup Truck. Specifications and bid forms are available by phoning Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416 2746. Sealed bids are due to the E. J. McClendon Building, 454 South Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48154 on or before 2:00 p.m., Monday, August 11th, 2003. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school.

Board of Education  
Plymouth Canton Community Schools  
THOMAS WYSOCKI Secretary

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**WESTERN TOWNSHIPS UTILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS STUDY SESSION SYNOPSIS 1:30 P.M. MONDAY, JULY 28, 2003**

The study session was called to order at 1:47 p.m.  
Present: Terry Bennett, Steve Mann, Richard Henningsen  
Agenda - adopted as presented  
The purpose of the study session was to review and discuss the proposed budget for the 2003/2004 fiscal year and the Capital Improvement Program  
Tim Faas and Cindy Cezat gave a presentation on the highlights of the proposed budget  
OMI and WTUA staff answered questions from the attendees  
Tim Faas reviewed the Capital Improvement Program with the attendees and answered questions  
The study session was adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Alternate TERRY BENNETT

This is a synopsis. A complete copy of the minutes may be reviewed at the WTUA offices located at 40905 Joy Road, Canton, MI 48187.

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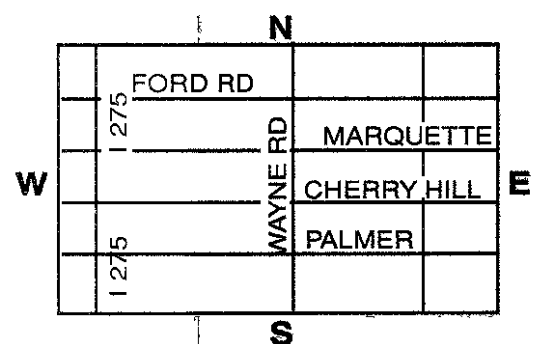
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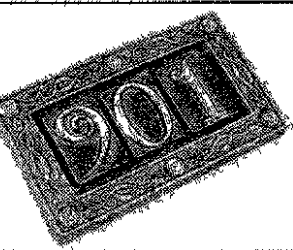
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## Accents

### Tiles available

Custom tile address plaques have been added to the lineup of new products released by the historic Pewabic Pottery as part of its continuing Centennial Celebration



Homeowners may choose from a color palette including black green and blue green and plaques which accommodate from three to five tile numerals

Costs range from \$125 for the smallest frame to \$150 for the largest excluding numeral tiles which are \$11.60 each

The tiles are produced at the Pottery using traditional arts and crafts techniques and sold through the Pewabic Pottery Museum Store 10125 East Jefferson (about 1 1/2 miles east of the Belle Isle Bridge)

To learn more about installing ceramic tiles homeowners can sign up for one of the Pottery's tile workshops or classes by contacting (313) 822 0954 Ext 114 For more information on Pewabic Pottery Centennial Products visit [www.pewabic.com](http://www.pewabic.com)

### Working at home

Plan on working at home? Better plan on setting up a serviceable home office

Here is a list of essentials

■ **Desk and chair** Get a chair that tilts and adjusts to the height of your desk and find a desk that lets you put your keyboard in a position that's ergonomically correct

■ **Computer** If you travel often and are short on space a laptop may be more suitable If you spend the majority of time in the home office then you may want a desktop model with a larger keyboard and monitor which are easier on the eyes than the compressed space of a laptop

■ **Printer** Ink jet printers are usually inexpensive but can be slower and tend to require more maintenance and ink refills than a laser printer

■ **Office phone line** Separate your personal life from your professional life with a separate line that rings in your office Make sure you have an answering machine or voice mail

### Summer fair

If you enjoy herbs and want to look at a large selection then take a drive to Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Fenton for the farm's 14th annual Herbal Summer Fair

Enjoy complimentary garden tours a lunch by Appetite in Milford a free children's activity center and talk with master gardeners You can take in the sounds of a harp and dulcimer browse the shoppe and visit the greenhouses and check out the wide variety of herbs Terri Slingerland will create an old man or faerie figure using a tree trunk with her chain saw You can bid on the figure Proceeds will go toward the purchase of a wheelchair swing Forty artisans also will be displaying crafts ranging from weaving fiber art and garden art to woodcraft and wildlife drawings For more information call Kathy Mathews at (810) 629 9208



# the buzz on Hummingbirds

## Minding little things can give big welcome to hummingbirds

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

Of our fine feathered friends, one of the most fascinating is the fairylike hummingbird

You might think that this tiny jeweled flier is an elusive, rare visitor to your neighborhood

But by following a few basic recommendations, you can make your garden or yard something a hummingbird would sing about

Hummingbirds are 'very popular,' said Gary Phillips of Backyard Birds, 627 S Main in Plymouth

'They're in everybody's neighborhoods,' he said 'The deal with the hummingbird is you can do 14 things right to one thing wrong and you lose The key is to keep that hummingbird feeder clean and keep the nectar fresh

Hummingbirds do require special care, says Pat Enderle of Wild Birds Unlimited, in the University Square Shopping Center at 3116 Walton in Rochester Hills

But the beauty of them and the joy that they bring is worth the effort,' she said

Hummingbirds help pollinate flowers, and eat spiders, aphids and gnats

### ATTRACTING

Dozens of plants, shrubs and vines draw hummingbirds Even apartment or condo residents can attract them with a particular flower or a window feeder

**'The deal with the hummingbird is you can do 14 things right to one thing wrong and you lose.'**

Gary Phillips  
Backyard Birds

'Butterfly-weed is very easy to grow, it's very, very drought tolerant,' said Beth Laskiewicz of Steinkopf Nursery, 20815 Farmington Road in

Farmington Hills 'Fuchsia is a big favorite of them' (See related article)

The color red attracts hummingbirds While they feed at many different colors of flowers, they learn that red tubular flowers often contain the most nectar

Water misters, or sprinklers

### PLANNING A GARDEN FOR HUMMINGBIRDS

Hummingbirds learn that red tubular flowers often contain the most nectar, but you wouldn't want only red tubular flowers in your garden

Hummingbirds like many types of flowers, and different flowers attract insects that hummingbirds eat

Among other plants that hummingbirds like are those in the bluebell (such as cardinal flower) and buttercup (columbine) families, clethra ("summersweet," weigela, daylilies, lupine, penstemon, hibiscus, ajuga, hollyhocks, bleeding heart, bee balm and honeysuckle

For a hummingbird-friendly garden, the Wild Birds Unlimited Web site suggests

■ Create both sun and shade areas The flowers need the sun and hummingbirds need the shade to perch in between feedings

■ Remember the importance of plants that provide nesting materials, such as willow and eucalyptus trees Hummingbirds use downy-like materials with bits of leaves, spider webs, moss and lichens

PLEASE SEE BIRDS, C4



COURTESY JOHN JORDAN

Light reflective address signs from Address America, Operation House ID, help paramedics and others responding to an emergency find the right house

## Reflective house signs help save time, lives

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

*Number, please* That phrase takes on special significance in an emergency, when time is precious An address that can be read quickly and easily from the street helps paramedics and others responding to an emergency find the right house sooner

John Jordan offers what could be a life-saver light-reflective address signs from a company called Address America, Operation House ID

As Address America area coordinator, he has had the signs installed at the fronts of residences in Lavonia, Oak Park, Ferndale and Berkley

'Getting a cold pizza is one thing Jordan said But when it's a life and death situation

As sophisticated as our emergency response system is, the breakdown is the individual who makes it difficult to find their house When it gets to be dusk or you're dealing with inclement weather, it can be very time consuming to locate an address'

The weather-resistant signs feature numerals made of the same reflective material as highway signs Most of the numerals are 3 or 4 inches tall

The address sign can be installed on a pole or frame so it is free standing in a yard, fastened on a streetside mailbox, hung on a yard lamppost, or mounted on a house or brick mailbox Installation is done for the customer

Styles feature a variety of patterns Made of powder-coated steel, coated aluminum and polypropylene, the signs resemble wrought-iron, but can be painted

Prices range from \$29 to \$54 These include \$29 for a house-mounted design, \$39 for the Oak pattern on a 30-inch pole, and \$49 for the Rose pattern on a 48-inch pole

The tallest sign is the Excalibur style, featuring 5-inch numerals and a 60-inch pole, cost is \$54 The vertical Windsor style, for a streetside mailbox, has 3-inch numerals on both sides, cost is \$29

Customized nameplates or personal greeting signs can be added for \$19 Among the greetings available are Home Sweet Home and Welcome

The signs also will help guests, delivery and repair people, and taxi drivers find the correct address

Jordan said he discovered Address America while he was on the Internet and thought the signs were a "much needed product"

Address America was founded in 1992, and the Operation House ID program introduced nationwide after several years of research The program's home office in Ridgeland, Miss, ships materials to local affiliates

For more information, call Jordan at (248) 682-0380, or visit [www.addressamerica.com/index.asp](http://www.addressamerica.com/index.asp) or [www.addressamerica.biz/store/sign.asp?username=jhordan](http://www.addressamerica.biz/store/sign.asp?username=jhordan)

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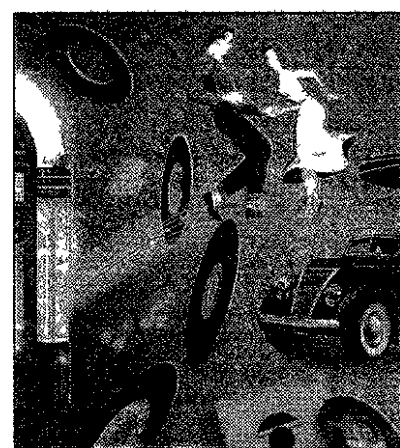
## MARKET PLACE

### Submissions

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

### Retro decor

Many homeowners are applying nostalgic attitudes in decorating these days Retro fashions are popping up on walls everywhere Brewster Wallcovering Company's Remember When line is filled with wall papers and borders that have retro themes from almost all of the major eras of the 1900s



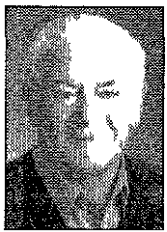
The line includes styles that are reminiscent of the 1930s American West and the rock-and-roll spirit of the 1950s Among features of other designs are muted tones and refined scenes from the early 1900s, images of vaudeville, musicians from the 1920s, and musical notes on a silvery background For more information, call (800) 366-1700 visit [www.brewsterwallcovering.com](http://www.brewsterwallcovering.com) or write Brewster Wallcovering Company, 67 Pacella Park Drive, Randolph MA 02368





# Manufacturers need to notify consumers about product defects

This column is directed to the state lawmakers I would like to see a new law requiring appliance retailers to register any purchase of major home appliances with registration cards sent directly to the manufacturer I would like manufacturers to be responsible for notifying each and every consumer of any changes (which includes correcting any errors in production which causes malfunctions or safety hazards) within the first five years of owner-



**Appliance Doctor**

Joe Gagnon

ship Don't stop reading now, it gets better! Appliances often are discovered to have a flaw several months after they were produced Only a select few appliance servicers receive information about the defect which is covered by extended warranties from the manufacturers Those remaining technicians don't have a clue about the design problem and every consumer who receives service from them later ends up paying for the repairs Many times it is repeated service for factory-created problems Say there's a certain manufacturer, where after eight months of production on a refrigerator, the company announces to a select few ser-

vicers that the defrost heater is likely to be defective in the second or third year of operation This repair will cost a homeowner more than \$150, but the manufacturer will cover it Who knows about this problem? Not the homeowner, because they were never sent any notice nor many service companies across the country After a few million of these refrigerators were sold and the defrost heater failed in the second or third year, who do you think paid for the repairs? Most repairs were paid by consumers and they didn't have to Without some form of necessary legal requirement placed on dealers and manufacturers, this old practice will continue to flourish Take a woman who has repairs done on her microwave oven to the tune of

over \$300 Because the microwave oven is beyond the first year of the warranty, she called an independent servicer who has been taking care of her products for years The product still didn't work correctly, so in desperation she called the manufacturer The company's service personnel informed her that they knew of a particular problem with her microwave, would fix it at no charge and indicated that there was an extended warranty on this particular component The fact that many consumers don't read their warranty information is as true today as it was years ago Even so, a simple law can help save millions of dollars in needless expense to consumers

In my reading of service pointers (factory information supplied to select repair companies) I learn of many different things which can correct different problems on appliances For example, the foam backing in the 'cold control' of the refrigerator was installed backwards and needs to be reversed or food will freeze Now, who in blazes is going to know this information unless they are told directly by the factory? (By the way, many of these service pointers exist, not just a few) In the 1970s a federal law mandated that manufacturers know who purchased a microwave oven At that time it was believed that this new product might cause health-related problems and studies were not yet

completed During that time I worked for a major manufacturer of appliances and we knew that we had the government looking over our shoulder We couldn't afford to make any kind of mistake in the production of our microwave oven Today, many years later, maybe we should use that analogy for all of appliances Many state lawmakers have had the past few years to learn the ropes They can call me to discuss this matter Stay tuned 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

## Touch the tropics with flowering plants

If you're looking for a great way to add color to your yard this summer, consider a tropical plant Shipments from Florida and California offer everything from bright hibiscus to fragrant jasmine They are perfect for patios because they grow well in containers Tropicals also provide screening to define areas Most varieties need full sun, with six to eight hours of direct light daily Fertilize every 10 days to two weeks, and you'll be rewarded with



**Landscaper's Cove**

Rick Vespa

beautiful blooms throughout summer Popular varieties include ■ Bougainvillea A profusion of vivid flowers on a vigorous, showy vine ■ Canna Large, exotic leaves with orange or yellow flowers ■ Citrus plants (lemon, lime, orange) Medium to tall shrubs or small trees with glossy, green foliage and flowers that produce fruits ■ Hibiscus A handsome, showy shrub excellent for screening or containers It has large flowers in many colors, from single to double blooms ■ Gardenia A glossy, green shrub with fragrant white blooms ■ Jasmine Highly fragrant cluster of button-like flowers on a vining plant

■ Mandevilla Vigorous evergreen vine with green, glossy oval leaves and enormous trumpet-shaped flowers in a profusion of colors ■ Passion Vine Evergreen, twining branches hold glossy green foliage and showy star-like flowers Flowering tropicals are considered annuals in Michigan, but many can be brought indoors during winter Place the plant near a window facing south or west to receive bright light Water the plant, but don't fertilize Bring it outside next year after the frost has passed and enjoy another season of beauty Rick Vespa is vice president of Landscape Design & Installation for English Gardens

## Find potential treasures at garage sales

For those looking to snag deals on items like toys, clothing or housewares, weekends are spent at local garage sales Besides the potential to find treasures at a discount, many find such sales alluring because of their variety You'll never know what kinds of things you'll find If you want to hit some sales, search newspapers to see which ones are located nearby Map the area so you have a game plan Start early Stop at the bank before you hit the sales Most garage sales sellers only accept cash and having some ones and fives on hand is good, especially if you plan to make small purchases You also might want to bring your own tote bag to stash your

**'It's okay to leave a sale emptyhanded: You aren't obligated to make a purchase at every yard sale.'**

wares in As in any store, items at garage sales can be overpriced or underpriced If you feel like you aren't getting a good deal, try bargaining with the seller As long as you are friendly and not intimidating, the person will likely be willing to negotiate the price with you If you see something you like that's too pricey and the seller won't budge on the price, give him your name and number Tell him that if it's not sold by the end of the day and he's willing to reduce the price, you'll take it And, if you don't see something you want on display, tell the seller what you'd like

Perhaps it is hidden inside Sometimes, you can profit off items you buy at a garage sale You can sell something to a thrift shop or pawn it off online But make your purchases carefully Ask yourself if you can use what you are buying, give it as a gift or resell it for profit Or maybe it has a potential use An old leather boot can be used as an outdoor can planter, or an old toy dump truck can make a flower planter It's okay to leave a sale emptyhanded You aren't obligated to make a purchase at every yard sale That way, you won't get something that will force you to hold your own garage sale

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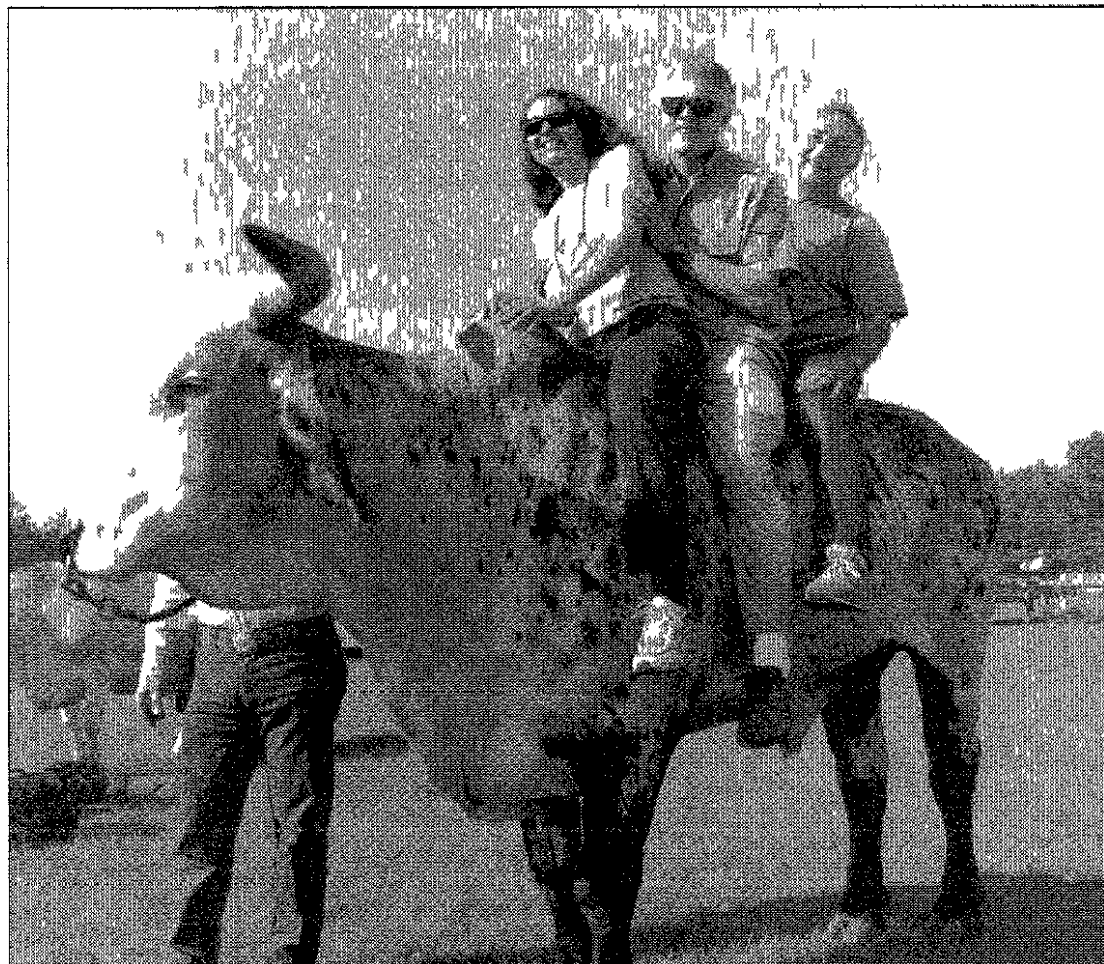
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Jill Enfield, Rick Sammon and Monte Nagler sit happily atop 2,200 pound Sir George as Jim Jurewicz documents this delightful moment on film.

## Put a little humor in your shots

We've all heard the expression 'lighten up' and don't take life so seriously as common phrases of how best to deal with life's day-to-day stresses. And we all know how important it is to have and maintain a good sense of humor to get through pressure-filled days.

Have you ever thought about "lightening up" on your photography by putting some humor in your shots? Doing so can be refreshing and will add variety to your photographic portfolio.

You can put humor in your photographs two ways. Intentionally planning or stumbling onto a funny situation.

**'Have you ever thought about 'lightening up' on your photography by putting some humor in your shots?'**

Planned humor can begin at home with your children and family pets. You can dress up your little girl in mom's high heels and makeup or pose your Labrador on the piano bench ready to play a Mozart concerto! Have a cat and goldfish? How about setting your feline alongside the goldfish bowl and then waiting for that hungry, lip-smacking look in his eyes? Or the next time grandma and grandpa come to visit think up some slapstick routine involving the family that you can capture on film.

The second type of humor photography requires more

spontaneity on your part because most often the action is in front of you almost before you know it. And unless you're ready, you may miss the shot. At the completion of a recent workshop I taught at Michigan's Double JJ Ranch with photographers Jill Enfield and Rick Sammon, the ranch owner thought it would be a great photo op if the three of us posed atop his prize bull, Sir George. This wasn't just any bull, but a 2,200-pounder with all the trimmings! We weren't up there very long but friend and photographer Jim Jurewicz was ready with his camera and captured this humorous and fun-filled picture.

Always try to be on the lookout for humor both with and without your camera. After all, lightening up is a real "snap"!

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave a message for him at (734) 953-2047.

## HOME AND GARDEN CALENDAR

**All about roses**  
Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses in Belleville, are conducting a series of Saturday programs that will enable gardeners to succeed with roses in their gardens this summer. Nancy Lindley will discuss rose propagation 1 p.m. on Aug. 9, 16 and 23. Participants will prepare and root roses from cuttings. Reservations requested. \$20 material fee collected at the door. Participants are asked to bring their own pruners. (This workshop won't be offered in the fall since summer is the ideal time to root roses.) Each presentation or workshop will last for about 1 1/2 hours. Attendees are asked to dress for the weather and to bring a hat if it's sunny. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow

Road between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township just south of Belleville. Its roses are available at the Northville Farmers Market.  
**Iris Plant Sale**  
The Iris Club of Southeastern Michigan will have its annual Iris Plant Sale 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Aug. 9 at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Narais, three blocks east of Crooks and three blocks north of 13 Mile. Many types of bearded irises will be for sale along with a selection of Japanese irises. Free admission. For more information, call Ann at (248) 280-0848.  
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## WHERE CAN I FIND?

A white cedar chest can be purchased through the Pottery Barn catalog for \$249. Call (800) 922-5507.

## WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

A store that sells alcohol-free Listerine spray mouth wash for Marilyn.  
A store that sells Palmolive bar soap for Brenda of Farmington Hills.  
A store that repairs vintage and costume jewelry for Jill.  
A store that sells the Subtract girdle for Ellen.  
A store that sells the replacement baking tin tray for a Black & Decker toaster oven/broiler for Judy of Birmingham.  
A store that sells clip-on

earrings button style (about the size of a quarter) in white or black for Halma.  
A store that sells brown socks to make the monkey puppets for Margaret of Livonia.  
A store that sells Pilot gel ink pens for Leo.  
A store that sells 8-inch candles for a wall sconce in the color Colonial blue for Ann of Garden City.  
A store that sells Ashley Taylor shoes (formerly sold at Kmart) for Karen of Redford Township.  
A store that sells Red Wing wrapping paper and a Red Wing hand stamp for Nancy.

By Sandra Jarackas

## WHAT WE FOUND

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PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE NEWSPAPER. Use the entry form below (or a facsimile) printed in this newspaper. Entries must be postmarked by Monday Aug. 25, 2003. Fill in all the blanks. Clearly print or type the information. Include area code with your telephone number and the best time of day to call if we wish to take photographs. Children should include their ages. Your comments about how you care for the plants can also be sent along with the entry. This information may be passed on to our readers when we announce the winners. There are two categories of winners in this High Hopes Sunflower Contest: The tallest sunflower and the one with the largest seed head (not including the rays of the flower), grown in the 2003 season through Aug. 25.

1. Sunflower measurement must be taken from soil level to the base of the head where the stem attaches to the flower.
2. Seed head measurement must be taken diagonally across the seed head (not including the rays of the flower).
3. Participants must send the official entry form (or a facsimile) to High Hopes Sunflower Contest, The Eccentric Newspapers, 805 East Maple, Birmingham, MI, 48009. To fax, call (248) 644-1314. Judges will notify contest finalists to verify height and size. One entry per household.
4. Winners will be announced in the newspaper in September.
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7. Entrants must live in Oakland or Wayne County to be eligible.
8. Gift certificates from English Gardens will be awarded to the winners - \$75 first place, \$50 second place and \$25 third place. Prizes will be awarded at English Gardens, 6370 Orchard Lake Rd., West Bloomfield, MI.

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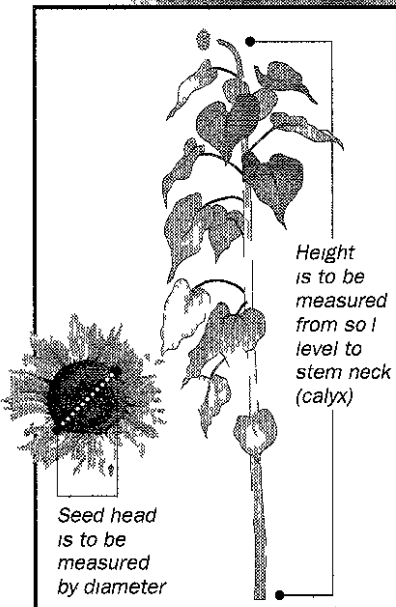
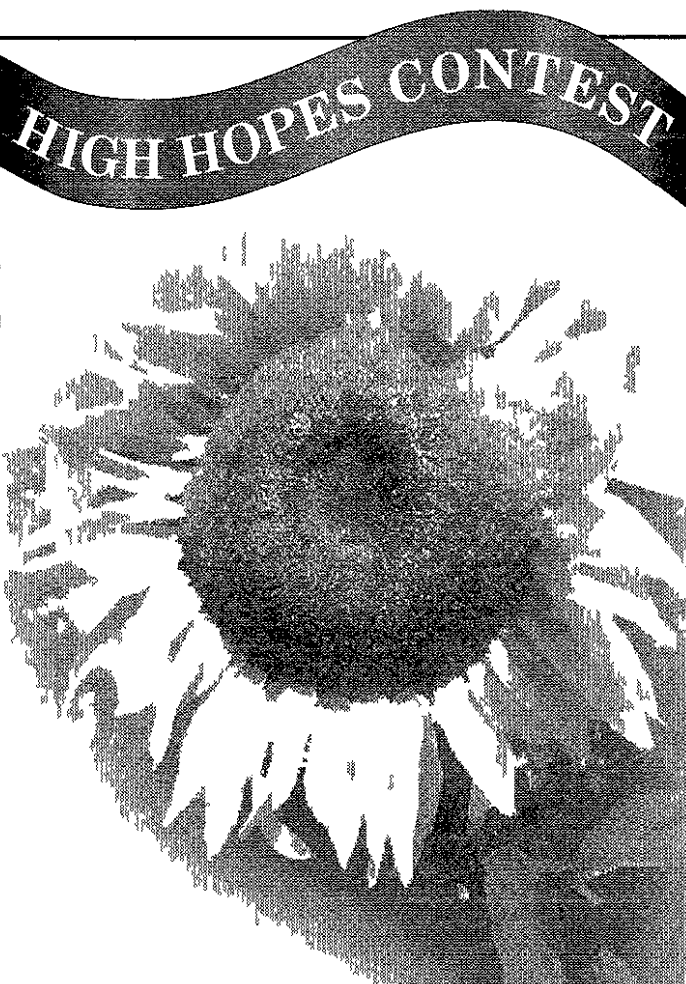
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**BIRDS**

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that give a gentle spray and are placed close to a bush, also appeal to them.

'They like flying through misters and that's how they take a shower,' Phillips said.

**FACTS**

The ruby-throated hummingbird is the only one that is seen in the eastern half of the United States. Its breeding period is from late March into August. It migrates northward from late February to mid-May, and southward from late July to late October.

A ruby-throated hummingbird weighs 3 grams (1/10 the weight of a first-class letter). An average hummingbird consumes half its weight in sugar each day. When it's hovering, its wings move in a figure eight pattern.

The hummingbird doesn't suck nectar. Rather, it uses a long, slender tongue with grooves along the sides to lap nectar like a dog laps water from a dish. (The hummingbird takes 13 licks per second.)

Hummingbirds don't always hover while they feed. They will sit on a perch, if one is available.

A perch, however, may attract orioles and other birds that will make the hole (in the feeder) bigger to get at the nectar and will crowd out the hummingbirds.

Most of the things to keep in mind about hummingbirds have to do with the feeder.

**FEEDERS**

Feeders come in assorted sizes, shapes and styles. You can select one that you hang, that stands on a stake or that attaches by a suction cup to a window. There are small feeders designed for children. Ant guards and bee guards are available.

Some feeders can turn a yard into a mini art gallery, with such features as blown glass in a variety of colors, or copper leaf accents. Some resemble flying saucers.

'You don't have to spend a lot of money,' Phillips said.

He said the feeder most popular with hummingbirds is around \$12.99. This plastic feeder has a slight hourglass shape, and a red top and base.

Enderle showed some new feeder items, including a feeder in a teeter-totter style with a perch on each side. Another feeder consists of several tubes, you can buy replacement tubes and put in tubes filled with fresh nectar when you remove others for cleaning.

Whatever type of feeder you get, be sure that it is easy to clean. It's important to clean the feeder every two or three days after the temperature gets up to 60 degrees (and about two or three times a week before). The feeder should be placed in the shade and out of the wind. And keep it away from feeders for other types of birds, as the birds mean competition.

'They're the smallest bird with the biggest attitude,' Phillips said of hummingbirds.

'The hummingbird is such a feisty bird he'll chase a hawk.'

**NECTAR**

The hummingbird's menu includes nectar, and insects for protein - no seeds.

You can buy nectar or make your own. Laskiewicz shared a recipe using 1 part sugar and 4 parts water. Boil the mixture (1 to 2 minutes) to sterilize and to dissolve the sugar, then let it cool. Store extra nectar in the refrigerator.

Don't add red dye, and don't use honey.

Honey causes a mold that can be fatal, Laskiewicz said.

Start putting the feeder out in mid to late April.

If you haven't seen a hummingbird at your feeder, the reason could be that the feeder is in direct competition with all of your flowers, Phillips said. He compared it to a traveler seeing signs for free food everywhere and being unable to decide where to eat. Other possible explanations include that there aren't many plants in your area that hummingbirds like, or that you left your feeder empty for too long and the hummingbirds are looking for food somewhere else. If the experience with a feeder at one location isn't good, try moving it to a different spot.

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# Organize your pantry at least once a month

Help! I have one of those kitchen pantries that is located above the steps to the basement. The space is deep and narrow. Inevitably, things end up in the back and I've completely forgotten about them. What's the best way to organize and maximize this space? Is it OK to store potatoes and onions in there with my dry goods?



**Domestic Planner**

Diana Koenig

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your shelf efficiently is to put similar items together. Put the cereal on one shelf, pasta on a shelf, and canned goods on another shelf.

Depending on the number and sized shelves you have, you may consider separating canned goods by categories. For example, vegetable and fruit on one shelf, peanut butter, jelly and condiments on another shelf.

It is important that each food item has a specific place. If each item has a place, other household members will know where to put that item after they use it.

Each time I put an item on a shelf, I do a quick check to make sure everything is in place. I do not wait until I have a disorganized mess before I fix it.

A good pantry maintenance system includes straightening the area once a month and each time you put groceries away.

Traditionally we keep our food in the pantry and our dishes in the cabinet. I suggest creating your own system if your pantry is not in a convenient location. Consider keeping food items in your kitchen cabinets and use the pantry for kitchen items you use occasionally.

The needs of my household determine what I store and where I put the items.

Put the cereal on a shelf your 8-year-old child can access easily. If the pantry is close to the stove use the pantry to store spices, oil and other seasonings.

Put food such as potatoes and onions in a plastic bin. Store them in a separate container so onion skins and potato dirt do not accumulate on your shelf.

Keep potatoes and onions separate from other food items. (Of course potatoes and onions will keep longer in the refrigerator.)

Be willing to change food items around in the pantry until you find a system that works best for you.

Today's Refrigerator Bulletin

Put similar items together in your pantry!

Send your questions and success stories to **Diana Koenig**, PO Box 1702, Manchester, MO 63011 or email [dianakoening@hotmail.com](mailto:dianakoening@hotmail.com)

Pantries are built in different shapes and sizes. Some are large and some are small. There is a limited amount of space in small pantries so it can be frustrating trying to fit food items on shelves.

I suggest if you have a small pantry that you build an additional shelf in your basement or garage to house canned goods and soda. (This would not be a good location for boxed or bagged food items. They need to be stored in a dry, temperature controlled environment.)

If you have a larger pantry, you have a different set of challenges. Larger areas hold more items but things get shoved to the back and forgotten, and they become disorganized because of the big open space.

Plastic baskets work well to divide items. It is more efficient to remove a basket from a shelf than to move items from the front of the pantry while searching for an item in the back.

Different sized baskets are efficient in pantries that have unusual shapes.

Using the baskets to store items maximizes use of space.

Discount stores sell dividers, racks and pull-out shelves that work well to organize space.

Here are some other common sense techniques that will help you to locate the item you want quickly.

Put items you use more frequently on shelves that are at eye level or lower. High and hard-to-reach shelves are a good place for extra food items and infrequently used dishes and pans.

Another way to organize

# Owning a pet should bring happiness Turn your great idea into an invention

Having a pet should be one of life's great joys. Thinking back about a childhood pet should elicit a smile. A 102-pound shepherd mix, my first dog, Daphne, was so severely overweight that we could have used a visit by Richard Simmons to our house.



**About Animals**

Dr. Brad Davis

while I pet her belly. She would run with me, at least to where Mom kept her two dozen boxes of dog treats.

Gone for over 20 years, Daphne still makes me smile. Having her in my life helped to shape what would become my career.

## DOG DIFFICULTIES

Too often I see dogs doing the opposite to their families, not making life better, but instead making life more difficult, even leading kids toward hating being around pets and probably leading to a lifelong fear or dislike of animals.

Why keep animals that put their family at risk? Sometimes it's a feeling of security, as with a vicious watchdog. Sometimes it's loyalty, as with an older dog becoming crankier with age. Sometimes it's being oblivious to the danger, either unknowingly or by choice.

I have had clients too scared of their dog to place a muzzle. Some stare wide-eyed with fear when I give them medications for their cat. They show me scars, souvenirs of previous medicating attempts.

One man could never get a muzzle on his mean 150 pound Rottweiler. I sent him home with the muzzle, and after a few days he got it on, and came right in. Like a NASCAR pit-stop, we quickly did the needed vaccines and I examined the animal.

As we neared completion the owner, lying atop the crit

'Gone for over 20 years, Daphne still makes me smile. Having her in my life helped to shape what would become my career.'

ter, inexplicably removed the muzzle. Suddenly this huge head reared up at the staff. I had them back away slowly, and they were fine, but the dog did get the back of my leg pretty badly, before the owner found the courage to try to pull him off. (To see the injury, go to the radio show web site listed below, and check out the older pictures.)

Most would say, it's a routine what do you expect? There's more to it. I've seen more naughty dogs lately than ever before, including more puppies with ill tempers, which bodes ill for the future.

If your young pup growls and bites at a level above play, you need to correct the problem with the help of a vet or reputable trainer before the pup problem becomes a dog problem.

## TOO LATE?

Correcting from a young pup can make for a better older dog, but what about when you enter the game far too late?

A few weeks ago, a woman called the show about a German shepherd she was trying to rehabilitate from being a crazy, unpredictable dog. She talked about all she had done to help the dog, and how her husband was at the end of his rope.

She talked about near misses where she was almost severely hurt, but she knew she could save this dog. She then spoke about how she made sure the dog and the kids were always kept apart. Her kids ranged from about 7 to toddler. She knew they'd stay away, because they feared the dog so much.

You hate telling someone with a heart of gold that they shouldn't be doing what they

are doing, but we did. Her kids ARE at risk. One mistake, one time, could be devastating. At the very least, these kids will grow up with a fear of animals. The woman may someday have a dog she can look at, pet, and play with, but never one she should ever trust with the kids.

I once had a client who over several months took a dog that had killed someone (in Portugal, where the owner had been living) and trained it wonderfully. The dog went from having to wear three muzzles to being very pet-able. It was a great story.

Until the dog took a chunk out of her son's face when he touched him on the hips.

Following a 10-day rabies watch, the dog was euthanized. The owner asked me to always tell people in her situation what had happened. She said to talk about the guilt she'd feel about the scars at her son's graduation and wedding.

You should own pets to help you always look back with wonder, not with regret, she said. Look back, and wonder if you could have helped the animal more, but don't regret that you didn't put your family at risk.

The lady with the shepherd couldn't believe it, and is still not giving up. I don't expect her to. I hope things will go well.

The lesson can be learned, which would be never put your family at risk with a dangerous animal. Scores of healthy, sweet puppies and kittens are put down every day, just because they have no homes. If you fear your pet, or worry about what your pet might do to family or friends, look at making pet ownership a joy again. Look back with wonder, not with regret.

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# Turn your great idea into an invention

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What's your great idea? If you're ready to turn your dream into a reality, here are some tips, courtesy of the United Inventors Association, to help get you started.

Search patents by contacting the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. You will be able to see nearly all the patents that have been issued in the United States. Just because you haven't seen an invention doesn't mean it hasn't been patented.

Never respond to an ad from a company that claims it will introduce your invention idea to the industry. It will likely do nothing for you and only wants your money. If you are unsure if the company is legitimate, ask for the names and phone numbers of inventors who have used the company. If employees say the list is confidential, it's time to go elsewhere.

Read extensively about new products. Visit stores, scan catalogs, hit the library or bookstore and read trade magazines to learn how to get a product on the market. You can also make sure your idea is not already available or that there's something out there that is better than your idea.

Build a prototype or a simple working model of your idea. It can help you prove the concept and perhaps enable you to improve upon it.

Join an inventors group to meet people just like you. Find such a group by contacting the United Inventors Association ([www.uiausa.org](http://www.uiausa.org)).

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# Retro pops up on walls

In 2003, heritage is as hot as these summer months.

It's hip to be nostalgic for days past and earlier, easier times. Retro clothing, cars and toys are just a few examples of how Americans are flaunting their nostalgia.

Many homeowners are applying these nostalgic attitudes in decorating.

Retro decorating is seen more and more in today's world. Brewster Wallcovering's Remember When line is full of wallpapers and borders that are reminiscent of vaudeville, the 1930s American West and the rock-n-roll spirit of the 1950s.

"Everything old eventually becomes new again," said Paula Berberian, creative services manager of Brewster. "Decorators and homeowners enjoy bringing previous eras into their homes and revitalizing them with a new spin. That's when the Remember When collection comes into play."

That collection has retro themes from almost all of the major eras from the 1900s. Picking which nostalgic wallpaper would look best in a home has to do mainly with either which era one grew up in or a time period that is fascinating to that person. One pattern may fit in a basement, family or play room in a new old-fashioned way. Featuring convertible T-Birds, an old-fashioned jukebox and ice cream sodas, the paper will brighten up a room. "This border is about good old-fashioned fun," said Berberian.

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## AUGUST

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Taught by the Couple to Couple League throughout the Archdiocese. The schedule is available at www.ccli.org. Engaged and married couples of all ages are invited. Babies are welcome at meetings. A complete set of materials is provided with the \$75 course fee. Call the teaching couple to register. Upcoming classes include St. Vincent Ferrer (Madison Heights) beginning 2:43 p.m. Sunday Aug. 10. Bill and Linda Hughes (586) 751-0428. St. Thomas a Becket (Canton) beginning 7:30 p.m. Friday Aug. 22. John and Claire Mueller (734) 729-5407. Our Lady of Refuge (Orchard Lake) beginning 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday Sept. 13. John and Jennifer Rabaey (586) 264-6819.

### Kids Fair

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### Smart Discipline seminar

Larry J. Koenig, Ph.D., author of the book Smart Discipline, gives a seminar on a variety of issues from getting kids to clean up rooms to stopping fighting and bickering. 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday Aug. 11 at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 N. Sheldon at Warren Canton. Cost is \$7. To pre-register call (734) 459-3333.

### Vacation Bible School

Special assignment to find and investigate clues leading you to discover how to live with Christian character. 6:30-9 p.m. Monday-Friday Aug. 11-15 at Merriman Road Baptist Church, 2055 Merriman Garden City, two blocks south of Ford Road. Everybody from children through adult can become a sleuth for the week. For the safety of preschoolers, a responsible adult must stay on site for them at all times. For more information or to pre-enroll call (734) 421-0472.

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Learn to speak confidently in public at a seminar with Carol Kent. 6:15-10 p.m. Thursday-Friday Aug. 14-15 and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Aug. 16 at Calvary Baptist Church, 43065 Joy Canton. And is open to all area churches and individuals.

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### Women's Event

Calvary Baptist Church of Canton (43065 Joy Road) will host popular Christian women's speaker Becky Tirabassi through their women's ministries program. The event, titled One Thing, will take place Oct. 25 at the Canton church. Tirabassi is the author of Let Prayer Change Your Life and several other books and has been heard on the radio and seen on television across the country. Doors open at 7:30 a.m. and there is a morning session at 8:30 a.m. then after lunch a session beginning at 1:45 p.m. Registration fee is \$20. Call (734) 480-4528.

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# Walk on wild side with flowers named after animals

August is the month when I often think of visiting the zoo. Many families choose this as a destination when they need a break from the usual busy summer activities.



**Garden Spot**  
Marty Figley

Today we'll wander down a garden path and visit flowers that have animal names. Let's begin with lion's ear (*Leonotis*), which is in the mint family, so the stem is

marked in contrasting colors. Always a favorite animal, bear's breeches (*Acanthus spinosus*) has spiny leaves and pretty bicolor purple and white flowers on tall spikes. Just like the real animal, it could hurt you if you get too close (because of the spikes).

The elephant's ear (*Colocasia*) is very large. These lumbering, yet graceful animals are not to be missed on a visit to the zoo. The plants spread by underground tubers, and many of them are attractive with huge

leaves and striking green or purple colors in the foliage and the stems. The flowers are striking additions to pond gardens.

Although this is the wrong time of the year to see fawns, a visit next year may be in order. Nevertheless, the fawn lily (*Erythronium americanum*) is an interesting plant. It is as skittish as a baby fawn in that it only appears for about a month before it returns to the earth.

The leaves on young plants are light green and mottled

with tan spots, and the chrome yellow flowers bend backward to expose six brown stamens.

Tiger lilies (*Lilium tigrinum*) grow 3 to 4 feet high and bloom with bright orange/red flowers with purplish black dots. Tigers at the zoo in a small way resemble the color, although in muted tones. They, too, will roar with delight when they see you.

They turn red in the winter. Rub a leaf between your fingers and it will squeal like a pig. Lambs ear (*Stachys byzantina*) has gray-green leaves that are soft and fuzzy like a lamb's ear. It's fun to make a bow with the leaves.

With hens and chicks (*Sempervivum Crassulaceae*), look for the little chicks around the larger mother.

Ridges of thatched roofs were planted with succulents with these plants to protect the house from lightning years ago. They're ideal for small gardens, and there are many types. The colors range from

shades of reds and greens. A visit to the zoo wouldn't be complete without some cotton candy and a balloon flower (*Platycodon grandiflorus*) to remind you of a happy day. The buds are balloon-shaped, thus the name. They open to reveal bell-shaped blue, white or pink flowers.

I hope you've enjoyed this summer outing. Perhaps you can share it with some children and see what other animal flowers you can find in the garden.

Another thought: Did you notice how the botanical name is similar to the "animal" one?

Goodgarden Tip: Dry heads of hydrangeas by hanging them in bunches of no more than three in a warm, dry, dark, well-ventilated place, for winter bouquets.

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.



This pot is blooming with animal named flowers at Longwood Gardens. You might want to plant the same thing sometime.

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## Side dish

### Organic sales rise

American shoppers spent nearly \$36.4 billion on natural and organic products in 2002, according to research published in the 22nd annual market overview in the June issue of *The Natural Foods Merchandiser*.

*The Natural Foods Merchandiser* (www.nfm.com) is a leading



trade magazine serving the

natural and organic products industry and is read by more than 15,000 retailers and industry leaders each month.

In a year of economic stagnation, natural products sales increased 6.6 percent across all sales channels, including supermarkets, mass marketers, direct marketers and the Internet.



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Cafe Cortina's sauces marry the flavors of herbs and tomatoes from the restaurant's garden.

# Simple and Fresh

STORY BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
CORRESPONDENT

Sales of organic products rose 17.3 percent in natural products stores in 2002.

Some of the healthiest gains were in organic produce up 33 percent, frozen and refrigerated foods up 18 percent, nutrition bars up 20 percent, organic beer and wine up 56 percent and nondairy beverages such as soy and rice milk up 13 percent.

Additional statistics and facts about one of the nation's fastest growing consumer segments may be found in *The Natural Foods Merchandiser's* market overview.

### Open for lunch

Bahama Breeze is now open for lunch.

Weekday lunch is now available at the Caribbean style restaurant at 19600 Haggerty in Livonia. Entree prices on the lunch menu range from \$6.99 to \$15.99 with most entrees around \$10.

### Refreshing drink

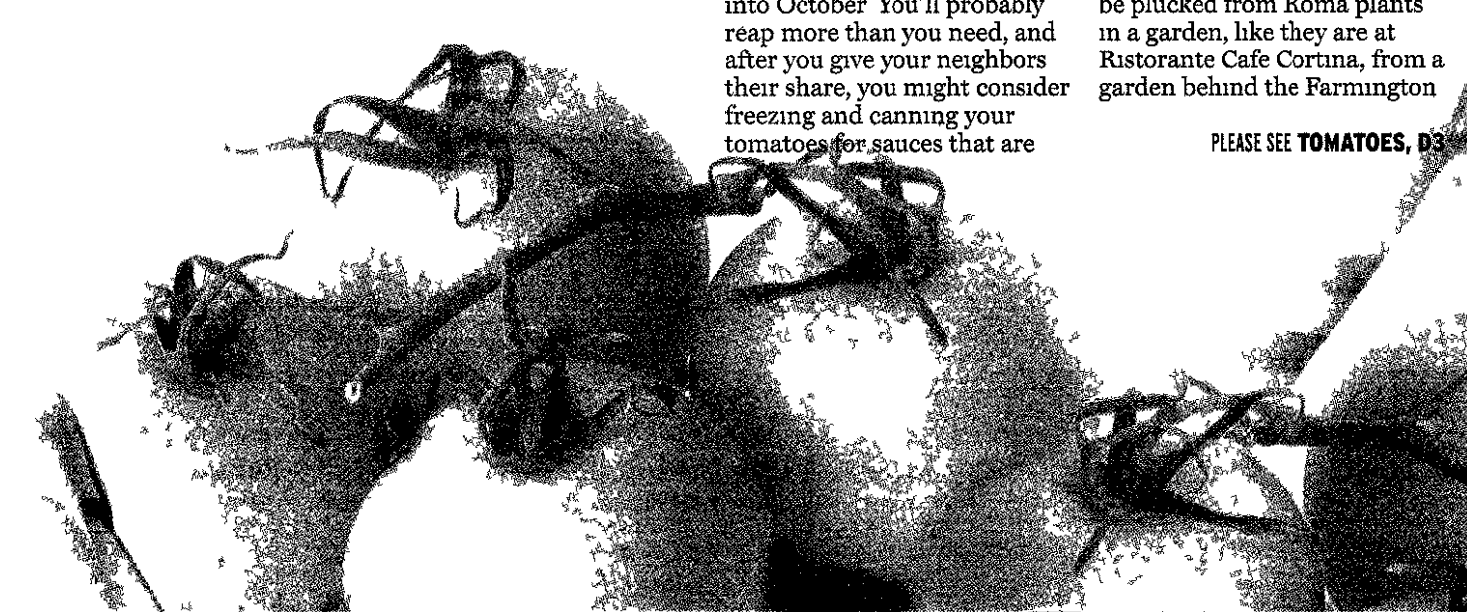
Canarino, a refreshing lemon drink that Italians have enjoyed for hundreds of years, is now being produced and sold in the United States with an eye toward diet- and health-conscious consumers. The all-natural drink has no caffeine, sugar, sodium or calories.

Canarino is a hot drink - it can be served cold just by adding ice made from the peels of lemons.

The Italians discovered long ago that there was a delicate, smooth flavor to be derived from the natural lemon oils and flavors in the lemon peel.

They used it for centuries to produce the liqueur called Limoncella, which has recently been marketed in this country and to produce a pleasing hot lemon drink now being sold as Canarino.

A box of 20 individual bags costs \$5.99. Canarino can be obtained at select specialty food stores throughout the United States and can also be purchased from the company's Web site: www.canarino.com.



PLEASE SEE TOMATOES, D3

## From croquettes to cashews, culinary teams shine

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Think you're pretty sharp when it comes to culinary knowledge?

Try a Knowledge Bowl quiz. Here are some questions for you: Which nut is a member of the poisonous family, and because of toxin resin on the hull, it is not available in the shell? Can you name the three parts of a wheat kernel? Which two leaveners act to help a croissant rise?

Those are a sample of the questions the members of Schoolcraft College's Knowledge Bowl team

faced in the American Culinary Federation national tournament on July 26 in Washington, D.C. (Sorry, but you'll have to read this entire article to get the answers.) And a few days after the Knowledge Bowl team won the 2003 national title, Chris Misiak, who coached the team, was still on cloud nine. Schoolcraft's Salon team also competed and won its second ACF title in three years. The two titles mark the first time one culinary school has won both in the same year, school officials said. "I was a nervous wreck,

but we did really well," Misiak said. "For our first year, it really is an incredible story."

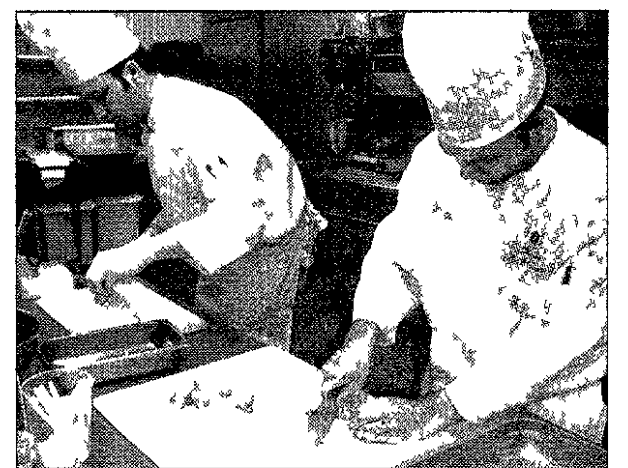
### THEY'RE KNOWLEDGEABLE

The Knowledge Bowl team was formed in December with the encouragement of Bruce Konowalow, director of culinary arts at Schoolcraft. The team faced state and regional competitions, winning and advancing to the national level. The Schoolcraft team not only defeated college teams, but hotel and ACF clubs as well.

Knowledge Bowl team members are Mark Butcher of Northville, Kathryn Cillick of Livonia, team captain Richard Weinkauff of Farmington, Pam Charney of Grosse Ile and Carolyn Atcheson of Flat Rock. Misiak of Livonia, who is also an instructor at Schoolcraft, coached the team.

The Salon team is captain Mark Donovan of Westland, Adam Klime of Charlevoix, Jeremiah Brown of Petoskey, Brandon Taylor of Livonia and David Koshizawa of

PLEASE SEE CHAMPS, D2



J. M. JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salon team member Jeremiah Brown of Petoskey prepares the trout, while team captain Mark Donovan of Westland cuts up the duck during a recent practice.

## Southern Italy boasts consistent wine quality

Italy, or what is often referred to as 'the boot,' is a peninsula extending 750 miles from the Alps to the Mediterranean and includes 21 different wine-growing



### Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

regions. Southern Italy is comprised of the six wine regions south of Rome — namely Campania, Apulia, Basilicata and Calabria — plus the islands of Sicily and Sardinia. Southern Italy produces 40 percent of Italy's wine and has less seasonal variation than regions to the north. This means more consistent quality from year to year, and because these regions are less famous than Tuscany and the Piedmont in the north, less expensive wines.

### SARDINIA

Sardinia, in the words of the English wine writer Hugh Johnson, is a strange, timeless island adrift in the center of things and yet remote. In fact, Sardinia is so detached from Italy's mainland that its dominant grape varieties are of Spanish origin.

At the south end of Sardinia is a winery known as Argiolas, which makes a very good white wine from the vermentino grape. The 2002 Costamolino (\$10) is 100 percent varietal vermentino with floral and pear aromas and bright, fresh flavors that suggest pairing with shellfish. Argiolas 2001 Costamolino (\$14) is a red wine made of 90 percent cannonau, a relative of the southern French grenache, showing aromas of red fruits and tannins that yield a dry finish. Try it with grilled lamb and spicy foods.

In recent years, quality producers like Tasca d'Almerita (better known as Regaleali) have raised the quality bar for the wines of Sicily. This family vineyard estate, since 1837, has also attracted Americans to Sicily because of its cooking school. The favorable weather as well as modern technology have given birth to balanced, dry wines with character. During the dog days of summer, there is nothing better than the dry, well-chilled 2002 Rose de Regaleali (\$12) to help you cool off at the end of the day.

If your menu includes grilled meats, try the 2000 Regaleali Cygnus (\$25), a red made from 75 percent nero d'Avola and 25 percent cabernet sauvignon. If the weather is hot, chill the wine for about 20 minutes before serving. With raspberry aromas and a big, fruit statement on the palate, this wine boasts good structure, a mellow finish and nice length.

### CALABRIA

Calabria is the toe of the Italian boot and its best growing region, known as Cirò, overlooks the Ionian Sea coast. The history of Cirò dates to the arrival of Greek

PLEASE SEE WINE, D4



# Treat the grill menu to a new twist or two

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's not likely that summer cooks will soon tire of the fun of firing up the grill.

It's not likely, either, that families will fail to identify their favorite foods to grill. However, every now and then the cook can ring the changes — putting together a menu that throws in a new flavor, a twist in seasonings, a different combination of ingredients.

It's easily done, using standard ingredients. Here are a couple of recipes to try, together or in other combinations.

The Honeyed Pork and Mango Kebabs are a tasty blend of savory, spicy and sweet. The pork is marinated in a mixture of honey, apple juice and hot pepper sauce, then grilled with mango chunks and onions. Spinach and Grapefruit Salad would hold its own well as an accompaniment to many robust grilled dishes, adding a refreshing tang. The familiar spinach bacon base gets a citrus lift from the juicy addition of grapefruit.

## HONEYED PORK AND MANGO KEBABS

- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/4 cup frozen apple juice concentrate thawed
- 3 tablespoons hot cayenne pepper sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 1 pound pork tenderloin cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 large (12 ounces) ripe mango peeled, pitted and cut into 1/2-inch cubes
- 1/2 cup frozen baby onions partially thawed

Combine honey, juice concentrate, hot sauce and allspice in small saucepan.

Bring to a boil over medium heat. Reduce heat to low, cook, stirring, 5 minutes. Strain in lemon peel.

Remove from heat. Pour 1/4 cup marinade into small bowl, reserve.

Place pork in large resealable plastic storage bag. Pour remaining marinade over pork. Seal

bag, refrigerate 1 hour. Prepare grill.

To prepare dipping sauce: Place 1/2 cup mango cubes in blender or food processor. Add reserved 1/4 cup marinade.

Cover, process until pureed. Transfer to serving bowl, set aside.

Alternately thread pork, remaining mango cubes and onions onto metal skewers. Place skewers on oiled grill. Grill over medium-low coals, 12 to 15 minutes or until pork is no longer pink. Serve kebabs with dipping sauce.

Makes 6 servings (3/4 cup dipping sauce)

Note: You may substitute 1/2 cups fresh or frozen peach cubes for fresh mango.

Recipe for AP from Frank's RedHot

## SPINACH AND GRAPEFRUIT SALAD

- 10 ounce bag spinach leaves washed, stemmed and torn
- 2 cups sliced mushrooms
- 1/2 red onion sliced into thin wedges
- 6 slices uncooked bacon cut into thin strips
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1/2 cup cider vinegar
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 3 tablespoons spicy mustard
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 2 pink grapefruits peeled and cut into sections

Place spinach in large salad bowl. Add mushrooms and onion, set aside. Cook bacon in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat until bacon is crisp. Drain, reserve 2 tablespoons drippings in pan.

Combine 1/2 cup water and cornstarch in 2-cup measuring cup until blended. Stir in vinegar, sugar, mustard and Worcestershire. Pour into skillet with bacon drippings. Bring to a boil, simmer 2 minutes or until thickened, stirring constantly. Cool slightly.

Top salad with bacon and grapefruit. Pour dressing over salad. Toss well to coat evenly. Serve immediately.

Makes 6 to 8 servings

Recipe for AP from French's Mustard and Worcestershire Sauce

## CHAMPS

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and David Koshizawa of Canton. The team was coached by Joe Decker and Kevin Gawronski, two certified master chefs and instructors.

Each of the students on both teams won \$500 scholarships. Misiak said he applied his experience with Knowledge Bowl competition from his high school days to assist the inaugural team for Schoolcraft.

Misiak said the team used the school's technology in the new VisT&Tech facility to help them set up question and answer formats to practice.

For example, learning the cuts of lamb was outlined in a taped lecture in a demonstration class, then used by the Knowledge Bowl team. The information we used is a lot like teaching a class, Misiak said. That (technology) is a big boost to the students at the college.

We used the computer system to develop games of our own, and now we have a database for future teams to use.

## WINNING AGAIN

Schoolcraft College's Salon team won its second title in three years. But it wasn't without a glitch. In the hot foods competition that Sunday, team members learned that they would be using electric instead of gas burners.

Obviously the team has experience using electricity, but Gawronski reminded the team the day before of the residual heat left in pans heated with electricity.

The team worked on plating the salad dish and creating goat cheese croquettes for that plate. They needed four plates of the salad, three which were going to the judges, so one of the croquettes was left in the pan. Gawronski said that pan was left on the burner, even though it was off, it over-browned the last croquette.

No problem. It was placed on the display dish, and turned upside down. Out of sight, out of mind and a winning plate.

The judges gave Schoolcraft the title in the hot foods competition, which consisted of knife skills on Saturday and the actual food competition on



Schoolcraft College's Salon team won its second American Culinary Federation's Hot Food national competition in three years. Pictured are Chef Joe Decker, coach (left), Mark Donovan, team captain, Adam Klina, David Koshizawa,

Sunday. Gawronski thought the team's practices prepared them well for the title. They gave up two weeks of their lives to be prepared, Gawronski said. They practiced sometimes twice a day. We got out there three days early and they practiced there and prepared for working in a different environment.

The practice session helped the night before, too. Two chefs who happened upon their practice critiqued their dishes. The ACF competition took place during the ACF's annual convention for new food products. One chef suggested a slight change in a trout filling for the first course, another thought a cookie needed to be moved from the sauce and peaches added.

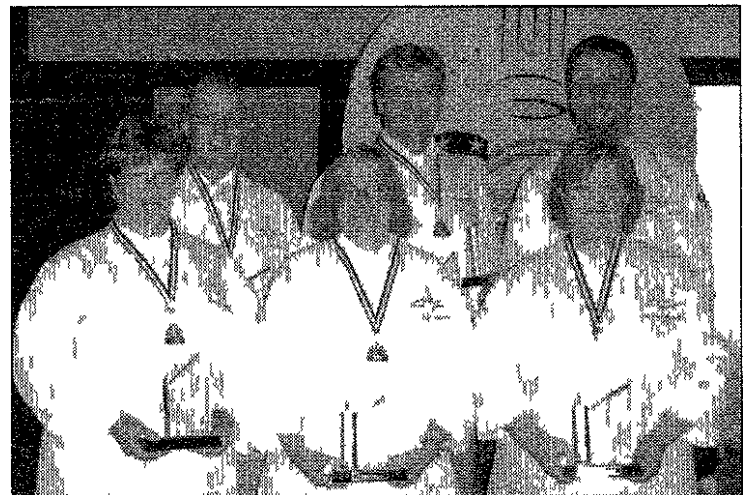
The teams devised changes that final evening. They added shallots, white wine and cut the egg white in the trout dish and added marinated peaches to the dessert, sliding it under the S shape of the cookie.

Gawronski said the team was the only one of the four teams practicing the night before. We always encourage (chefs) to critique it, Gawronski said. 'It may spark an idea.'

For two days before, they used a kitchen at the hotel. The actual demonstration kitchen they didn't see until the night before.

## TEAMWORK

On Saturday, the team competed in the knife skills competition. The team performed the following cuts on a potato: large dice, tournet (a football shape 1 1/2 inches long), fine brunoise (1/8-inch by 1/8-



Pictured are Schoolcraft College's ACF champion Knowledge Bowl team. Members are Pam Charney (left front row), Kathryn Cilick, Carolyn Atcheson, Mark Butcher (left second row), Rich Weinkauff, team captain, and chef Chris Misiak, team coach.

inch), julienne and batonet (1/4-inch by 1/4-inch). That was followed by a tomato concasse, which consisted of a 20-second boil, then shock of the tomato in ice water. It was then peeled, quartered, seeded and the outside flesh was diced, while the inside was cut up.

Parsley leaves were chopped as fine as you can get it to fill four tablespoons, said Gawronski. Two onions were diced, and one carrot was sliced and two mushrooms were fluted.

On Sunday, the team cooked last of the four teams. The produce was shipped in the day before along with the fresh duck and the fresh trout.

Mark Donovan of Westland, the captain of the Salon team who also works at Knollwood Country Club in West Bloomfield, said he and the team members knew what they had to do.

We had to make that adjustment from gas to

electric, but everything worked out in the end, Donovan said. The title speaks to the quality of the school's program, Gawronski said.

It speaks to the entire staff and the quality of the training and the educational objectives we apply here, Gawronski said. 'Everything we do we do as a team here.'

The input of the staff is critical, from Jeff (Gabriel), Dan (Hugeher) and Brian (Polcyn), Gawronski said.

They've always been there to help. (The title) continues to give us the credibility we deserve.

Oh, and here are those Knowledge Bowl answers. Cashews are a member of the poison ivy family.

The germ, endospore and bran are the three parts of a wheat kernel. And a croissant rises through the action of yeast and steam.

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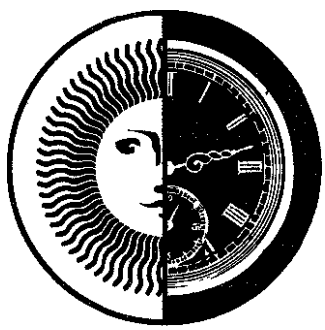


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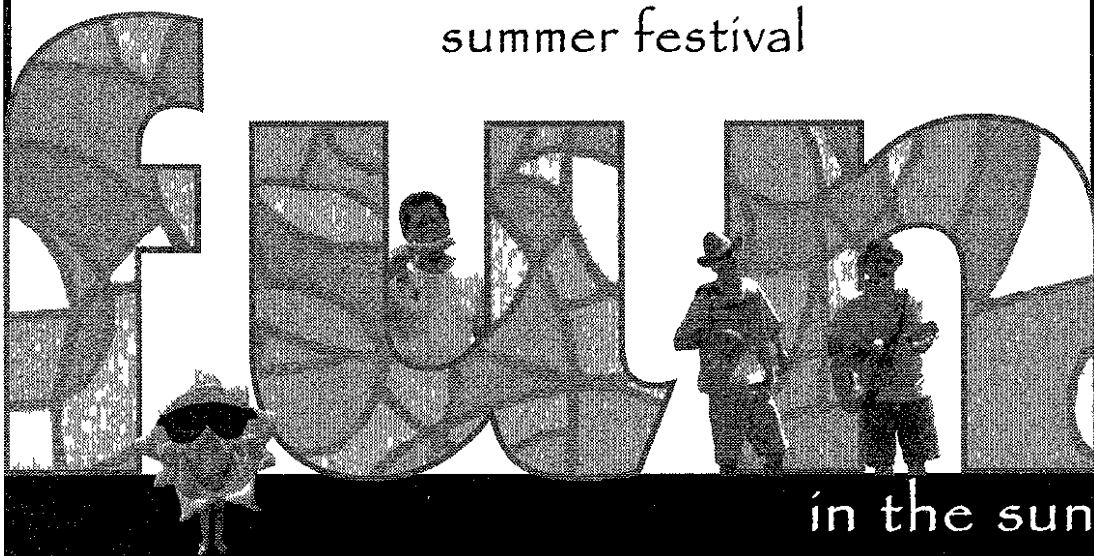
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# Enjoy a warm spinach salad

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Warm spinach salad with seared scallops and roasted pepper vinaigrette is a stylish but simple main-course salad that can be prepared in less than half an hour.

The recipe is from "The Quick Recipe" (Boston Common Press, 2003, \$29.95), a cookbook compiled by the editors of Cook's Illustrated magazine.

The collection consists of more than 300 "quick-from-scratch" such recipes - about which you can be sure that when the reliable Cook's Illustrated claims they are exhaustively tested they mean that batch after batch of cooks or chops were made, for careful comparison.

All the recipes can be made in less than 60 minutes, start to finish. Otherwise, dishes included span a wide range - from scrambled eggs to Thai beef salad to berry cobbler.

This salad calls for searing the shellfish in the pan in which you build the vinaigrette, a step that takes very little time and makes a satisfying one-dish meal.

## WARM SPINACH SALAD WITH SEARED SCALLOPS AND ROASTED PEPPER VINAIGRETTE

- 9 ounces baby spinach (about 8 cups lightly packed)
- ¾ cup sliced almonds
- 5 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 pound medium sea scallops (tendrils removed (see note))
- Salt
- 4 ounces jarred roasted red peppers drained and cut into thin strips (about ½ cup)
- 2 medium shallots sliced thin
- ¼ teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1½ tablespoons sherry vinegar

Place the spinach in a large bowl and set it aside.

Toast the almonds in a 12-inch skillet over medium heat shaking the pan occasionally to turn the nuts, until they are fragrant and lightly browned, about 3 minutes.

Transfer the almonds to the bowl with the spinach.

Add 2 tablespoons oil to the empty skillet, raise the heat to medium high, and heat until the oil begins to smoke. Add the scallops, flat-side down, and cook until well browned, 2½ to 3 minutes. Using tongs, turn the scallops over, one at a time. Cook

until medium-rare (the sides will have firmed up and all but the middle third of the scallop will be opaque), about 45 seconds longer.

Transfer the scallops to a plate, season with salt to taste, and set aside.

Lower the heat to medium and add the remaining 3 tablespoons oil to the empty skillet along with the red peppers, shallots, ¼ teaspoon salt, and pepper.

Cook until the shallots soften slightly, about 2 minutes. Remove the pan from the heat and swirl in the vinegar.

Pour the warm dressing over the spinach and gently toss to wilt. Divide the spinach salad among 4 plates and arrange the scallops on top. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 main-course servings.

Note: The small, rough-textured, crescent-shaped muscle that attaches the scallop to the shell toughens when cooked.

Use your fingers to peel the tendons away from the side of each scallop before cooking.

Recipe from "The Quick Recipe" by the editors of Cook's Illustrated, Boston Common Press, 2003, \$29.95.

## TASTE EVENTS

### KOREAN COOKING

Mi Jung Lee, a Korean cooking instructor, will hold a cooking class at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 8 at the Korean American Cultural Center, 24666 Northwestern Highway in Southfield. She will create a fusion style California roll, chop che (a pasta salad), ku jol pan (crepe wrap), mari nated beef dish, Ta rock juk (Korean style porridge) and vegetarian Jeon (dipped in batter and pan fried). Enjoy these creations. The class fee is \$10 to cover the ingredients and purchase a

gift for the instructor. Space is limited to the first 30 people. For information call (248) 945-9044.

### Good taste

The 10th annual Night of Good Taste benefit for the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Foundation will be held Thursday, Aug. 21 at the Radisson Kingsley Hotel in Bloomfield Hills. This year's event is "A Night of Good Taste Goes Fishin'" and features the culinary creations of Matt Prentice and the Unique Restaurant's Northern Lakes Seafood Company. Robbie

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If you have an item for the calendar, please submit it at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail k Abramczyk@oehomecomm.net.

## WINE

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colonists who discovered existing vineyards and called the land Enotria, the land of trained vines.

Cantina Librandi has a reputation as the best producer in Calabria.

Librandi's 2001 Ciro Rosso Classico (\$10) is produced from the antique vine gaghoppo, known for its high level of tannin and hints of tar.

The wine is tank fermented and not wood aged since toasty notes evolve from the grape, according to winery manager, Enzo Massei.

Librandi's dedication to tradition combined with innovation is illustrated in the 1999 Gravello (\$27), a wine with international appeal.

Gaghoppo is blended with 40 percent cabernet sauvignon that has been aged 12 to 14 months in one-third new French oak.

The blend is made after aging and produces a wine

with aromas of black cherry and black currant, chewy tannins and an exceptionally long finish.

### APULIA

If it were a country by itself, Apulia, at the heel of the boot, produces enough wine to be seventh largest in the world. The traditional wines of Apulia are inky reds made from negroamaro, primitivo and malvasia nera.

However, in recent years, this region has seen a trend toward white wines, like the 2002 Botromagno Gravina Bianco (\$10), a blend of 60 percent greco di tufo and 40 percent malvasia.

This wine has intriguing citrus and mineral elements that suggest serving with shellfish or Thai cuisine.

La Corte, another Apulian winery, founded in 1998, specializes in dry-farmed, old-vine zinfandel (primitivo) and negroamaro.

In 2001, La Corte hired the renowned Australian

winemaker, Chris Ringland, to craft the wines grown in Apulia's warm southern climate.

With vineyards cooled by the breezes from the Adriatic and Ionian seas, La Corte produces bold red wines with deep color.

The La Corte 2002 Anfora Zinfandel (\$14) is named so because zinfandel is related to the primitivo grape grown in Apulia.

This wine shows raspberry and blackberry fruits, a rich palate expression and velvety finish.

The 2002 La Corte Solyss (\$14) is an exciting red made of 100 percent negroamaro. A melange of red and black fruits greets the nose, followed by an explosion of rich, plump flavors on the palate.

Look for delicious and value-priced wines from the southern Italian producers we've mentioned.

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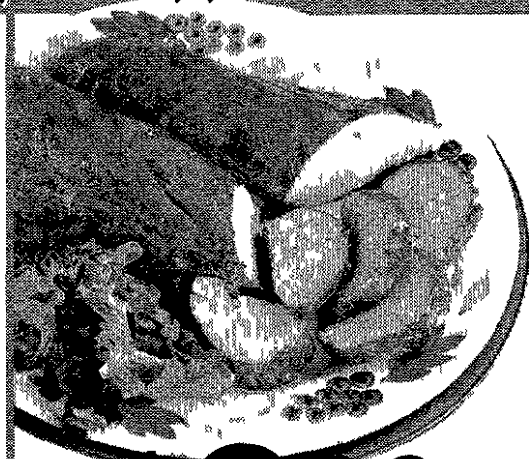


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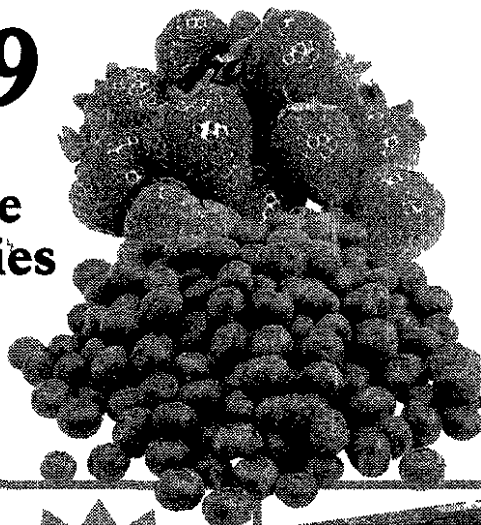
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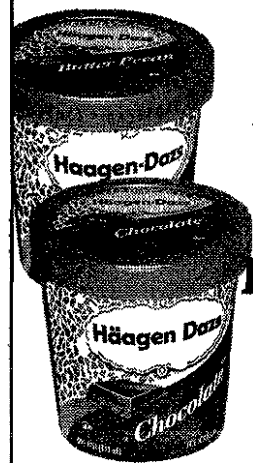


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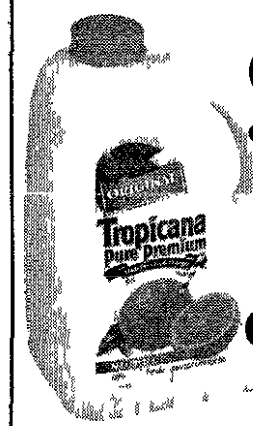
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Falafel are small, deep-fried balls made of spicy ground beans. Crunchy on the outside and moist and tender inside, they're usually tucked into pita bread and served with a yogurt-based sauce.

**Out of the frying pan, under the grill**

An ancient Middle Eastern snack food can be turned into a good, light American dinner.

Falafel are small, deep-fried balls made of spicy ground beans. Crunchy on the outside and moist and tender inside, they're usually tucked into pita bread and served with a yogurt-based sauce.

By taking falafel out of the frying pan and putting them under the grill, this side dish can be enjoyed with less fat but with full flavor.

Although falafel is considered the national food of Israel, it is thought to have its roots in ancient Egypt. Israelis make falafel with chickpeas, and Egyptians use fava beans.

Chickpeas are larger than green peas and have a firm texture and mild nutty flavor. Also called garbanzo beans and ceci, they are used extensively in dishes of the Middle East, Mediterranean and India.

They are rich in protein, fiber, vitamin B6, folate, iron, zinc and many other important minerals. They contain a group of phytochemicals, isoflavones, that may help prevent hormone-related cancers.

Chickpeas are available canned, dried and, in some places, fresh.

The following recipe for grilled falafel uses chickpeas because they are creamy, and

includes rice, which keeps the patties moist while binding them well.

Grilling the patties produces tasty, low-fat falafel that's crisp on the outside and moist inside. This method works equally well outdoors on the grill, or indoors in a skillet or under a broiler.

**GRILLED FALAFEL**

- 1 Tbsp extra virgin olive oil
- 1 small onion finely chopped
- 1 garlic clove minced
- 1 can (15 oz) chickpeas drained and rinsed
- 1 cup loosely packed cilantro leaves
- 1 cup loosely packed flat leaf parsley
- 1 cup cooked long grain brown rice
- 1 tsp curry powder
- 1/4 tsp cayenne pepper
- 1 Tbsp fresh lemon juice
- 3/4 cup bread crumbs
- 4 hamburger buns preferably whole wheat
- 4 leaves of dark leafy green lettuce
- 4 slices tomato

Heat the oil in a medium, non-stick skillet over medium-high heat. Saute onion and garlic until the onion is soft and the garlic golden, about 4 minutes. Let cool.

Place the sauteed onion in a blender or food processor. Add the chickpeas. Pulse to coarsely

chop the beans. Add cilantro, parsley, rice, curry and cayenne. Pulse until all ingredients are finely chopped and evenly distributed. Turn the mixture into a bowl.

Add the juice and 1/4 cup of the bread crumbs. Have the remaining bread crumbs ready in a shallow dish or bowl. With your hands, knead the chickpea mixture until it is like a moist dough. Scooping up 1/4 cup at a time, form the chickpea mixture into patties. Coat lightly with remaining bread crumbs. Repeat, making eight 3-inch patties.

Heat the grill, griddle, or cast iron skillet. Brush lightly with oil. Place the patties down an inch apart.

Cook 4 minutes, until brown in spots. Turn and cook another 4 minutes, to brown lightly on second side.

Or, heat the broiler and place the falafel in a shallow foil-lined pan. Broil 3 minutes, turn and cook on the other side for 3 minutes.

Serve immediately on whole-wheat buns with lettuce and sliced tomato.

Makes 4 servings

**Per serving:** 437 calories, 9 g total fat (1 g saturated fat), 77 g carbohydrate, 14 g protein, 9 g dietary fiber, 750 mg sodium

From the American Institute for Cancer Research

**Miniature pavlovas have grape filling**

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The meringue-based dessert known as the pavlova makes a charming summer sweet. In this version, made in individual servings, lightly glazed grapes flavored with a touch of lemon fill small meringue shells.

Picture them served with a dollop of lemon yogurt or whipped cream on top, perhaps garnished with a lemon twist, and imagine how decorative they'd look set out as part of a buffet.

How practical, too, for entertaining, in spite of the pavlovas' airily delicate appearance. The meringue shells may be made ahead and stored in an airtight container.

The recipe tester reports that she experimented with filling them with the prepared grape filling, held them for two hours at room temperature, then refrigerated them

overnight - and the meringues held up well, without getting soggy.

**GRAPE PAVLOVAS**

- 2 egg whites
- 1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar
- Salt
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 cup water
- 1 teaspoon butter
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 2 cups seedless grapes
- Optional garnish: lemon yogurt or whipped cream

Preheat oven to 250° F. Beat egg whites with cream of tartar and a dash of salt in small bowl until soft peaks form. Gradually add 1/2 cup sugar, beating at high speed until stiff peaks form and sugar dissolves. (Mixture should feel smooth when rubbed between thumb and forefinger.)

Line a large baking sheet with

parchment paper. If desired, draw 2-inch circles as guidelines for meringue shells. Spoon meringue in 2-inch circles on parchment paper, form indentation in centers of circles with back of spoon. Bake 1 hour at 250° F. Turn oven off without opening door and leave meringues in oven 1 hour. Remove meringue shells from oven and cool completely.

Combine 1/2 cup sugar and cornstarch, add water and mix well. Cook and stir until mixture comes to boil. Simmer and stir 1 minute. Add butter and stir until melted. Stir in lemon juice and peel. Add grapes to sauce, mix well. Cool. Just before serving, arrange glazed grapes in center of cooled meringue shells. Makes 10 servings.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 97 cal, 1 g pro, 1 g fat, 24 g carbo, 1 mg chol, 0 g fiber, 69 mg sodium

Recipe created for AP by the California Table Grape Commission

**Peanut noodles with chicken and pears is a quickly prepared meal**

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Some summer recipes are both special enough for entertaining and simple enough for a family dinner. What gives them added appeal for the cook is that they can be so quick and easy to make - part of the preparation can be done ahead if you wish, and no oven is needed.

This chicken noodle salad is a fine example, for a no-stress, enjoy-the-party-yourself occasion. It's included in a feature in Real Simple magazine's August issue, among suggested recipes by food editor Kay Chun for "the easiest dinner ever."

This is healthy eating, too. Peanuts and pears add texture

to the recipe, and you can give the seasoning a touch of chili if you wish. Serve the salad along with other salad choices, or just with fresh bread and fruit, according to the number of diners and your appetites.

**PEANUT NOODLES WITH CHICKEN AND PEARS**

- 1 pound spaghetti
- 1 cup smooth peanut butter
- 1 cup water at room temperature
- 1/4 cup white vinegar
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- 1/2 precooked roasted chicken shredded (2 cups)
- 1 Asian pear or Bosc pear peeled and thinly sliced
- 5 scallions trimmed and thinly sliced

- 1/4 cup roasted peanuts roughly chopped
- 3 small red serrano chilies thinly sliced (optional)

Cook the spaghetti al dente according to the package instructions. Drain, rinse with cold water, then drain again.

Combine the peanut butter, water, vinegar, oil and salt to make a smooth sauce. Toss the noodles with the peanut sauce.

Arrange on a platter and top with the chicken, pear, scallions, peanuts and chilies (if using).

To make ahead: Mix the sauce and cook the spaghetti up to 1 day beforehand. Refrigerate separately. Bring the sauce to room temperature before mixing with the pasta. Makes 8 servings.



**TOMATOES**

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Hills restaurant. Their sauces also include San Marzano tomatoes grown from volcanic rock in Italy.

During the right season the chefs harvest the vegetables and fresh herbs — including basil, sage, rosemary and lots of mint — that will be used for meals served that day, explained Adrian Tonon, who owns the restaurant with his mother, Rina Tonon.

Rina Tonon's family is from Isola di Ponza in southern Italy, and Adrian's father, Adriano, who is now deceased, lived 45 minutes from Venice in northern Italy.

Adrian and many of the staff at Ristorante Cafe Cortina study culinary techniques regularly in northern Italy. Those techniques help the staff to know and understand the sauce-making process.

"We don't want to overpower with basil," Adrian said. "You can always add more, but you can't take away. So, start with less."

Ristorante Cafe Cortina chefs Hoffa and Blunderm follow one rule: Keep it simple and fresh.

Simplicity is true Italian cooking, Anton said. "It's not what you put in your sauce, it's what you don't put in your sauce. Cooking is truly an art — it's a passion. We do what's done in Italy and on our tables at home."

Tomato sauces vary from region to region in Italy. Restaurants in northern Italy, for instance, tend to prepare sauces that are less spicy, and as you travel south, it seems, more and more is added to the pot.

Keep in mind, Tonon noted, that even tomatoes that have been left on the vine longer

**Freeze tomatoes for a bit of summer all year long**

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI  
SPECIAL WRITER

Freezing your tomatoes is one way to make sure you enjoy your harvest even on the coldest winter days — when chili is on the menu and your garden plot is frozen 2 inches deep.

Pulling out a bag of frozen tomatoes from your freezer for your sauce will be a welcome reminder of a new garden that will be planted on warmer days. You also have the comfort of knowing that the ingredients are pure.

A process for freezer-stewed tomatoes is outlined in a flier provided by Michigan State University Extension Bulletin

2657 in May 2001, according to Toni Grummett, MSU extension program assistant.

Begin by removing the stem and peeling the tomato. Quarter tomatoes before placing them in a sauce pan and cover. Cook until tender for about 10 to 20 minutes. Put the sauce pan in cold water and cool. Pour the mixture in freezer containers and fill to about half an inch from the top to allow the air to release.

Put the date on the container before you freeze it and remember, it will stay good eight to 12 months.

If you like, add herbs to the tomato mixture before you place it in the freezer, Grummett says.

"When you put seasoning in

beforehand, it gets into the sauce — the seasoning is more rich," she adds.

Discard the bag you used to freeze the tomato sauce.

There's nothing written, but once I use plastic containers I usually discard them, and I don't use them for anything else," Grummett says.

She also recommends washing the tomatoes in cold running water.

If tomatoes fall off the stems before they're ripe, put them in a bag at room temperature. Avoid placing them on a window sill, she says, and keep them away from flies and insects. Keep tomatoes refrigerated, she adds, and bring them to room temperature before they are served.

**HOT TOMATO PEPPER SAUCE**

- 5 pounds of tomatoes
- 2 pounds of chili pepper
- 1 pound onion, peeled and chopped
- 1 cup of vinegar (with at least five percent acidity)
- 3 teaspoons salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper

(Remember to wear rubber gloves to keep hot peppers off hands and wash hands thoroughly with water before touching your face.)

Wash tomatoes and dip in boiling water for 30-60 seconds until skin splits. Dip in cold water.

Place peppers in oven at 400° F. Allow peppers to cool for six

to eight minutes. Place in a pan and cover with a damp cloth. Peel peppers, discard seeds and chop.

Chop tomatoes and combine with chopped onions.

Combine peppers and remaining ingredients in a large sauce pan. Heat to a boil and let simmer for 10 minutes.

Put the sauce in clean, hot canning jars and leave 1/2 inch at top to remove air bubbles.

Wipe jar lids and place flat lip top and band on the jars.

Follow manufacturer guidelines that come with the jars. Process in a boiling water canner following directions. Makes six to eight pints.

Recipe courtesy of Michigan State University Extension Service

than you would have liked can be used for sauces, because there's more juice in a riper tomato.

**A LITTLE GARLIC**

A few miles away at Buca di Beppo in Livonia, chefs typically prepare 80 gallons of marinara sauce daily. (Buca di Beppo also has a location in Birmingham.) That sauce begins with crushed tomatoes.

Chefs there fire the stoves early in the day to let the sauce fully marry the olive oil, red onions, garlic, fresh basil and salt. You might consider adding red pepper at home, explains Blaine Skadsberg, Buca di Beppo guest service representative.

"The tomatoes are always slowly simmered," Skadsberg said. "We open, typically at 5 p.m., and we're up bright and early in the morning starting our sauces. Sauces depend on the amount of time you want to put in."

The food at Buca di Beppo, which translated means "Joe's basement," follows a southern Italian cuisine, and patrons will taste a stronger presence of garlic in many of the tomato sauces than might be found in northern Italy.

"We use garlic in almost everything," Skadsberg added. At home Skadsberg makes his own tomato sauce by starting by taking the tops off the tomatoes and cleaning the skin. (Remove the seeds if you dislike.)

He slices them in sections and tosses them in olive oil and coarse salt. Then he arranges them on a baking dish and leaves them in the oven about five hours at 200 to 203 degrees, checking them periodically to make sure they don't burn. The idea is for them to shrink in size.

Skadsberg purees them in a blender and slowly simmers the juice, adding fresh garlic, oregano and parsley. He said the olive oil is fresh and should

be used within one or two days from the container being opened. "Some people play around with sugar to balance it and change the intensity of the flavor," Skadsberg said. "I would do that really slowly to taste if you want to do that. You don't want to ruin what you've made."

**IT'S NOT JUST ITALIAN**

Tomato sauce is the key ingredients of entrees and side dishes from countries around the world.

It's also a staple in Greek cooking, explains Marion Gnipolis, whose husband, John, owns Gnipolis restaurants in Farmington Hills and Plymouth.

"We use tomato sauce for so many different things," Gnipolis said.

Her family regularly asks her to make Chicken Kapama, a dish rich with tomato sauce. She begins by drizzling olive oil in a frying pan and sprin-

gling salt, pepper, lemon and cinnamon over chicken pieces.

While the chicken is browning, she starts the sauce in a separate pan. She begins with a can of tomato paste and fills that can with water twice, then adds it to the paste. Gnipolis adds a quarter cup of red wine, a quarter cup of lemon, and sprinkles the mixture with cinnamon.

After brining the sauce to a boil, she pours it over the chicken and lets it cook.

Separately she cooks macaroni according to the box directions. After draining the pasta, Gnipolis pours the sauce from the chicken over the macaroni and sprinkles it with grated Kasser cheese and adds the chicken. Other cheeses can be used as substitutes.

Proving that tomato sauces come in all varieties, Gnipolis uses V-8 juice to prepare another favorite dish among her friends and family. She calls it G-B Vegetables,

named for its originator, her father, George Bokos, who owned Bokos Waffle Shop in northwest Detroit.

She slices zucchini, peeled raw potatoes, tomatoes and onions placed in layers in a baking dish. Gnipolis sprinkles the vegetables with a lot of dill and adds a second layer.

For the sauce, she pours on a large can of V-8 juice, and adds salt and pepper to taste, making it a nutrient-packed, spicy tomato sauce that's ready-made.

She said her cupboard wouldn't be complete without cans of tomato sauce, tomato paste and V-8 juice making her ready to prepare a wide variety of meals.

Gnipolis advised that if you're preparing anything with tomato sauce, be sure the mixture doesn't boil onto your stovetop. "Because it makes a mess that's hard to clean."

Diane Gale Andreassi is a freelance writer who lives in Livonia.

**Jumbo shrimp features pepper salsa**

**JUMBO SHRIMP WITH PEPPER SALSA**

- 32 raw jumbo shrimp, shelled but with tails left on
- 1 cantaloupe melon, seeded and cut into cubes
- For the marinade:
  - 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
  - 1 teaspoon chopped garlic
  - 1 teaspoon chopped ginger
- For the salsa:
  - 6 vine-ripened tomatoes, chopped
  - 1 small red onion, minced
  - 1 red bell pepper, seeded and

- chopped
  - 1 teaspoon chopped garlic
  - 1 fresh green chili, deveined, seeded and finely chopped
  - 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
  - 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
  - Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
  - Shredded scallions

Preheat the broiler to high. Soak 8 bamboo skewers in cold water (this will prevent them from burning under the broiler). Combine all the ingredients for the marinade in a shallow dish.

Add the shrimp and stir to coat with the marinade. Cover and chill while preparing the salsa.

Mix together all the salsa ingredients and season with salt and pepper to taste. Thread the cubes of melon onto 8 unsoaked wooden skewers and place on a serving dish, set aside.

Thread 4 shrimp onto each of the soaked skewers, piercing them through both ends (this will help keep them flat). Broil 4 inches from the heat until the shrimps are pink, turning them once 3 to 4 minutes. Do not

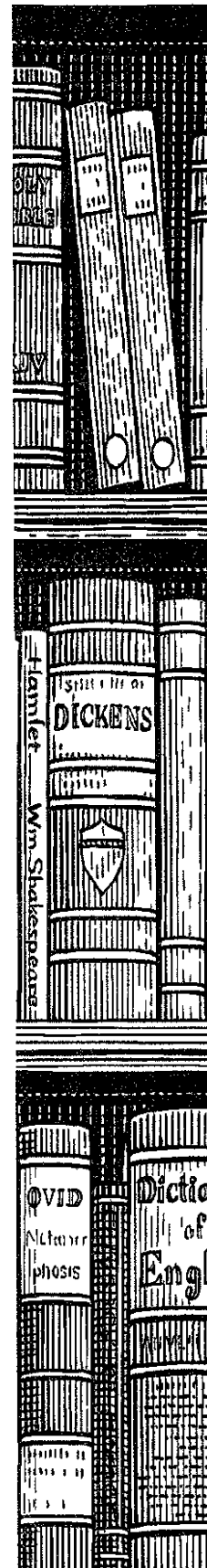
overcook or they will be tough.

Garnish the salsa with the shredded scallions. Place the shrimp kebabs on the serving dish with the melon. Serve with the salsa alongside.

Makes 4 servings.

Note: Cubes of fresh pineapple can be speared onto skewers to accompany the shrimp kebabs in place of melon.

**Nutritional information per serving:** 150 cal, 24 g pro, 15 g fat (0.5 g saturated fat), 11 g carbo, 3.5 g fiber



**Oasis Golf Center and the Observer & Eccentric's INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY STUDENT CONTEST**

Students—we know that returning to school consists of a few words that many of you wish you did not have in your vocabulary, but International Literacy Day reminds us that we should be thankful that we can read and write. International Literacy Day has been held annually on September 8th since 1967 to focus attention on the need to promote worldwide literacy. It is estimated that 875 million of the world's adults do not know how to read or write (nearly 2/3 of this number are women) and that more than 110 million children lack access to education. To participate in celebrating International Literacy Day, the Oasis Golf Center and the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers in Education Program are teaming up to invite you to write a story or submit an editorial cartoon per the subject matter and directions below.

- ESSAY** Write an essay about what reading and writing mean to you for your school work, personal life, future, etc. Please limit this to 250 words or less.
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- EDITORIAL CARTOON** Draw an editorial cartoon featuring no words but which conveys the message of what it means not to know how to read or write. Please use black ink only.

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2. Judging will be based on, but not limited to, the following criteria where applicable:
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Attached is my entry for the Oasis Golf Center/O&E International Literacy Day Student Contest. I am submitting:

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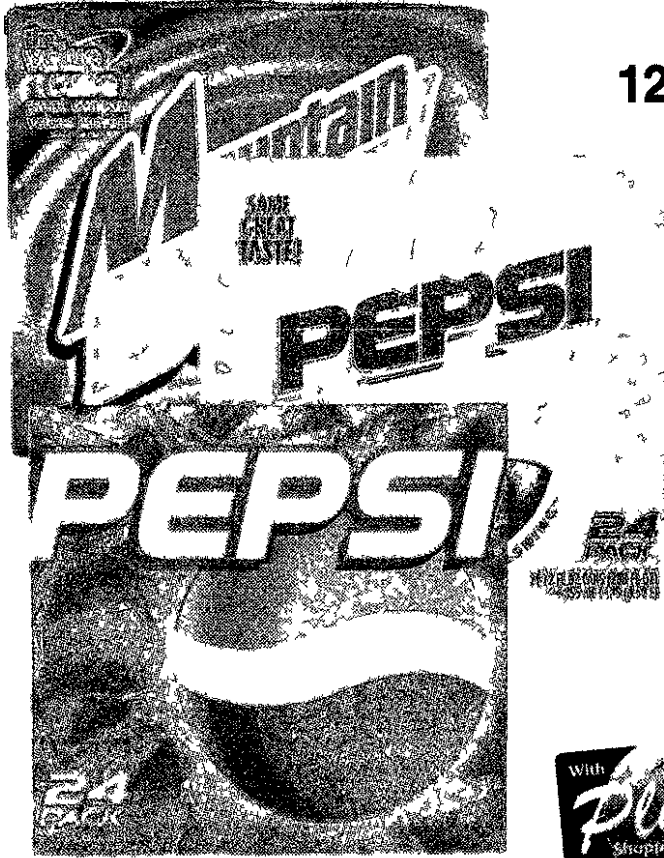




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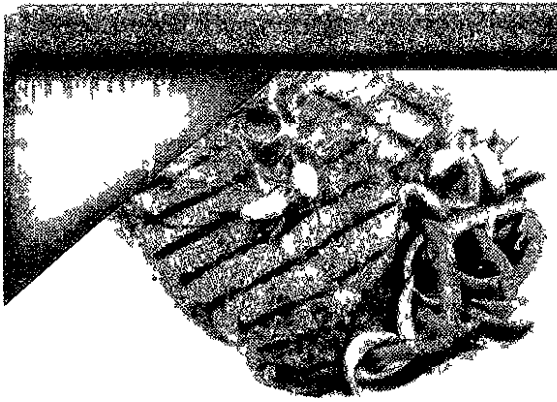
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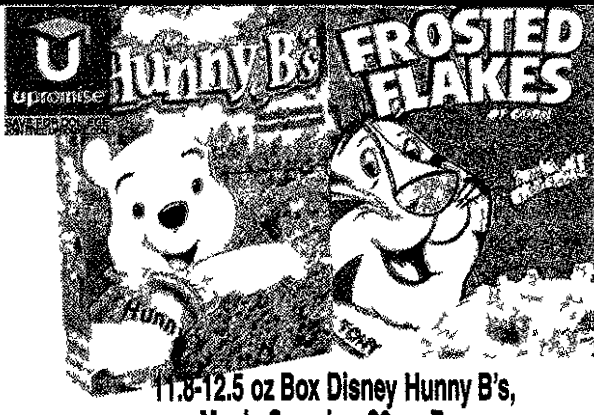
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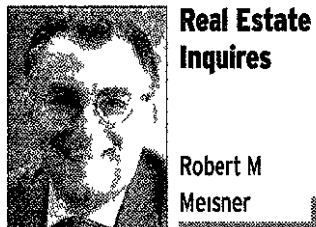
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## Questions to ask before hiring a CPA

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Ask the CPA about his/her experiences in Community Association accounting and tax. Ask him/her what professional organizations he belongs to and if they carry E & O insurance. Ask him/her how to determine whether to file a form 1120 vs form 1120H for federal tax purposes. Ask him/her if he knows about Revenue Ruling 70 604. Also try to get references from various managers, board members and your attorney. Finally ask him/her if there will be a problem meeting your deadline for the annual audit or review and/or tax return and if your staff required to prepare schedules or reconciliations beyond what would normally be done on a monthly basis.

**I am always wondering what the difference is when an accountant provides a compilation as opposed to a review or an audit. Do you have an answer?**

It is always best to ask your accountant these questions but generally, in a "compilation" the accountant presents the Association's financial statement and prepares year end adjustments and provides minimal analysis and no confirmation of balances. In a review, the CPA investigates record keeping and accounting practices and analyzes the statements preparing disclosures on abnormal activity or unexplained trends. Finally, in an audit, in the true sense of the word accountants perform the most comprehensive examination of an Association's financial statements. Activities may include confirming bank balances, making physical inspections and tracing transactions to invoices and evidence of payments.

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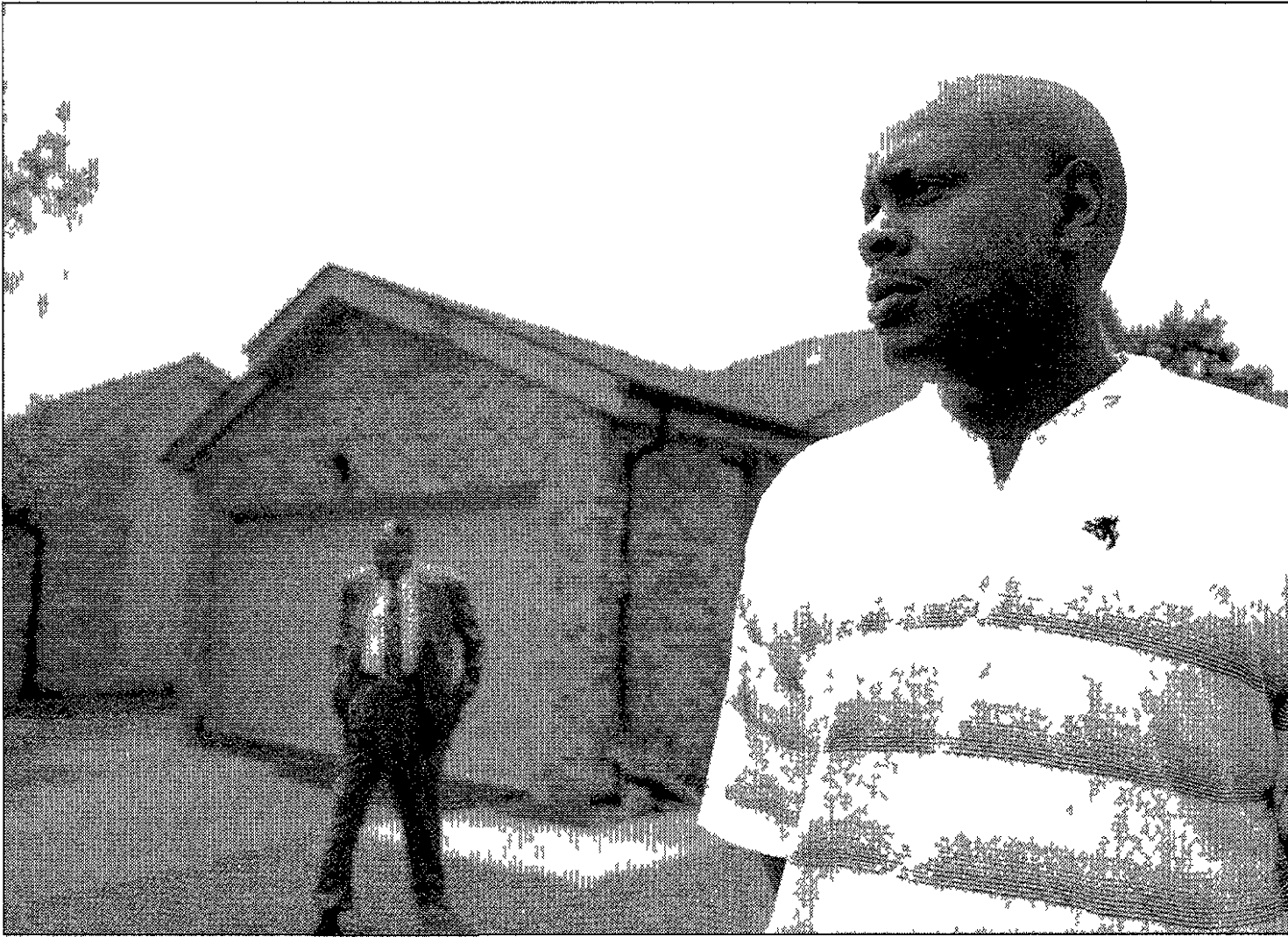
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Leonard McNab, vice president of Ambassador Realtors surveys a recently listed condo as President William H. Vaughn (background) inspects the grounds.

# Is condo life right for you?

BY NORMAN PRADY  
CORRESPONDENT

Is the grass really greener on the other side of the fence? And who's going to cut it?

Or ask yourself this: If you live in a house, are you ready for a condo? If you live in a condo, are you ready for a house? And is it possible you might change your mind after you get what you think you want?

I've found a lot of people who move to a condo thinking they'll have less maintenance and more free time, said Peggy Finnigan, sales associate with Real Estate One, Westland. Finnigan, who's been selling homes for 13 years, said she's seen it end up differently.

They have more restrictions and more rules to follow and they're not as happy as if they'd stayed in the house and just hired someone to take care of the outside.

And they end up going back to what they had.

Finnigan said she knew of some people who were attracted to a certain condo development because it looked so beautiful.

But it was hard to live with because of its multi-floor design. They got tired of carry-

ing groceries and babies up the stairs.

She knows, she said, of other salespersons who have had customers go from condo to house and even has heard of some going back again to condo.

Airline pilots for example, who are away a lot and want someone to take care of the place.

Or, as Leonard McNab put it: You know people change their mind with the drop of a dime.

McNab, sales manager Prudential Ambassador Realtors, Southfield, also said the greener grass syndrome is a major factor in home style choice.

Most people who go for the condo, he said, are looking at not doing any outside work. That's their main thing.

Abraham Ayoub also has a view about the color of grass. Moving, he said, is a big change and the grass isn't always greener.

A broker with Mayfair Realty, Livonia, Ayoub said, I knew a case where the people had moved but hung onto their previous home. They weren't happy in the new area and wanted to go back.

You could have great neigh-

bors at the old place and at the new place be next door to monsters.

My in-laws went from a house to a retirement place. Just couldn't make the transition. Sharing walls was new to them and they didn't like hearing the dog and the people next door.

Positives and negatives of house vs. condo were laid out by Janice Marshall, sales associate Remerica Hometown III Canton.

I can understand someone living in a single family home doesn't have just a wall separating from the people next door. Privacy. Go into a condo and feel confined and a loss of personal space.

But some people who go to a condo are busy and don't want to do the upkeep and will say, 'Hey, I'm willing to pay \$200 month to have the exterior taken care of.'

However, Marshall said as the family grows a condo might not be as appropriate. "Space is missing. Not enough play space for children. Not enough children around to play with in other yards."

Older generations might go from house to condo, but new-laws might start out in condo and go to house.

A woman Linda McDonnell knew ended up staying in the condo over a year before selling and going back to a house.

The reason was rules, said McDonnell, a sales associate with Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, Birmingham.

The people next door to her were telling her what she could do and couldn't do.

Turns out they were on the board of the condo association and if she put a plant on her front porch that wasn't legal they'd report it. She said, 'I have to get out of here. Condo life isn't for me.'

It was really a neighbor problem, McDonnell said, that could happen anywhere.

Sometimes, she said, condo owners think they want a house because they're sick of paying the maintenance fee. People don't know what they want. You're going to pay for it one way or another.

And those who don't switch back - condo to house, house to condo?

People," McDonnell said, notoriously don't want to admit they've made a wrong decision. You've already moved, you sold the dog, and you get there and you think, 'I really don't like it here, but...'

## HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of March 24 - 28 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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**Mortgage Bits**



Tim Timbo Phillips

## Honesty is essential

When your father said, 'Honesty is the best policy', and your mother added, 'When you lie you are mostly hurting yourself', they really meant it.

Though most borrowers are truthful most of the time, you should know what can happen if you decide to quibble on your mortgage application.

Granted, completing a four-page mortgage application with total accuracy is not easy. In fact, I have honestly never seen one that did not require some minor adjustments. However, I am not talking about writing a wrong credit card balance. That's an error. I am talking about lying.

At the Air Force Academy, we lived by a sworn Honor Code. We will not lie, cheat, steal, or tolerate any of these acts. During our ethics training we learned that lying actually consists of two parts. If a person wrote or said something false, and he intended to deceive somebody, he lied.

If you are very lucky, telling lies during your mortgage application process will simply result in a loan denial. Beyond that, the penalties for falsifying mortgage documents can result in thousands of dollars in fines, imprisonment, or both.

Even if you are successful in getting your home financed, a lender can still call your loan due immediately if a post-closing audit reveals foul play.

Failing to state relevant facts or withholding information can slow down the approval process and may get you in trouble, too.

Lenders now use a variety of high-tech methods to verify the information contained in loan application packages.

As a minimum, you can count on them verifying employment, rental or mortgage history, and the source of funds used to purchase the property.

If you have just recently retired, you should say so. If you are not going to live in the subject property, do not say that you will be. If you defaulted on a federal loan that does not appear on your credit report, tell your loan officer.

With the wide variety of niche mortgage products in today's market, you can usually get your mortgage approved even after fully disclosing the truth.

Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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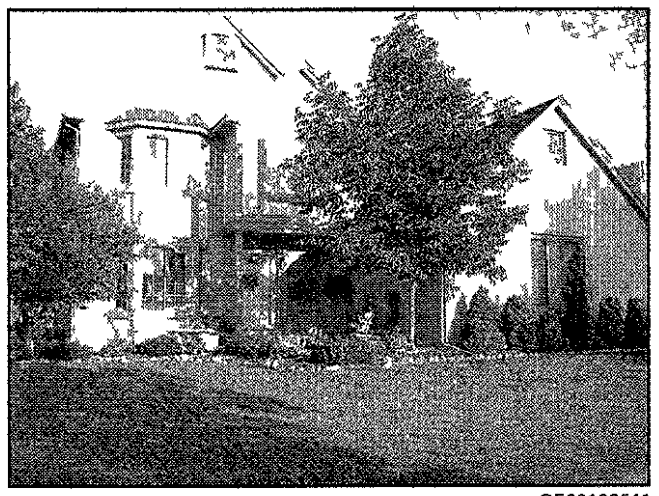
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# 30-year mortgage rates continue to climb Downtown Detroit luring more residents

BY JEANNINE AVERSA  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

Rates on benchmark 30-year mortgages this week broke through the 6 percent mark for the first time this year, rising to the highest level since early December.

Climbing mortgage rates are slowing refinancing activity and could turn off some prospective home buyers, economists say.

The average rate on 30-year fixed-rate mortgages for the week ending Aug. 1 was 6.14 percent, up sharply from last week's rate of 5.94 percent, mortgage giant Freddie Mac reported Thursday in its weekly nationwide survey.

This week's rate marked the highest since the week ending Dec. 6, 2002, when rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 6.19 percent.

The recent upward swing in mortgage rates marks a turnaround from the middle of June, when rates on 30-year mortgages slid to 5.21 percent, the lowest level seen in more than four decades.

Several factors have contributed to rising mortgage rates, economists said.

They include signs that the economy is gaining traction, concern about swelling federal budget deficits, and disappointment on Wall Street that the Federal Reserve didn't make a bolder cut to short-term rates on June 25.

Those factors have pushed bond rates up, causing long-term mortgage rates to rise. Although economists believe the economy

'A lot of potential home buyers on the side will jump in before the rates go up higher.'

Sung Won Sohn  
Wells Fargo chief economist

will pick up momentum in the second half of this year, there is concern that a dramatic and continued rise in long-term rates could threaten that.

For 15-year fixed-rate mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates jumped to 5.44 percent this week, up from 5.27 percent last week. This week's rate was the highest since the week ending Dec. 13, 2002, when 15-year mortgages averaged 5.46 percent.

Rates for one-year adjustable mortgages rose this week to 3.68 percent, up slightly from 3.67 percent last week.

"With the recent uptick in fixed-rate mortgage rates, we are starting to see short-term mortgage rate products like the one-year ARM gain in popularity," said Freddie Mac's chief economist, Frank Nothaft.

This week's mortgage rates do not include add-on fees known as points. Each

loan type carried an average fee of 0.5 point.

A year ago, rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 6.43 percent, 15-year mortgages were 5.84 percent and one-year adjustable mortgages stood at 4.45 percent.

The recent rise in mortgage rates is taking some steam out of a refinancing frenzy. Applications for new financing deals dropped by nearly 33 percent last week from the previous week, the Mortgage Bankers Association of America reported.

Refinancing applications have fallen to the lowest level seen this year and are down more than 50 percent from where they were just four weeks ago — not surprising given the sharp increase in (mortgage) rates since mid-June," said Jay Brinkmann, the association's vice president of research and economics.

Refinancing has been an important factor underpinning consumer spending, a main force keeping the economy going. Extra cash or savings coming from refinancing deals, along with rising home values, have helped offset the negative force of a sluggish job market.

Economists said rising mortgage rates probably will cool the red-hot housing market a bit, but they still expect sales to remain healthy.

"A lot of potential home buyers on the side will jump in before the rates go up higher," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo.

DETROIT (AP) — The city is making progress toward its goal of adding 2,000 new units of housing to its downtown before the 2006 Super Bowl comes to Ford Field.

This year, 460 residences are planned or have started, up from 71 one year earlier.

Darrell A. Rodgers recently returned to his hometown of Detroit and bought a loft downtown.

"I never anticipated returning, but as I made trips back to Detroit, I noticed things were improving," said Rodgers, 41, who bought a two-story condominium at The Lofts at Rivertown on East Jefferson.

He said he moved 17 years ago, in part, to escape Detroit's decay.

Developers and analysts say that the city must draw more stores to the area to make its goal a reality. But it is hard to get retailers without having the people first.

"Big-time retailers won't come downtown unless you

have more residents, but it can be difficult to attract residents without stores and restaurants," said Bernie Gheberman, president of Crosswinds Communities Inc. in Novi.

Crosswinds has completed 100 of 700 condominiums in Brush Park, just north of downtown.

Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick's downtown housing goal, announced last year, got a major boost last week when Slavik Murray Investment Co. LLC in Detroit announced plans to buy the Harbortown housing complex on East Jefferson.

The developer will build two apartment towers on the Detroit River with a total of 300 homes at an estimated cost of \$300 million.

That project and others announced so far could add 650 more apartments and condominiums to the downtown and riverfront in the next few years.

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Keller Williams Realty-Livonia offers a free class on how to get into real estate sales and what you can expect at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug 8, 6-30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug 13, and 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug 27, at its offices, 31500 Schoolcraft, just west of Merriman  
To register, call (734) 266-9000

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RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan presents its sixth annual Balloon Rally 4-10 p.m. Friday-Saturday, Aug 8-9,

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Cost is \$5 per car, the parks standard entry fee All activities are available on a donation basis, with proceeds to benefit the Childrens Miracle Network  
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Professional maintenance course sponsored by the Apartment Association of Michigan, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Aug 15, Building Industry Association of Michigan headquarters, 30375 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Farmington Hills  
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The Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors hosts a charity golf outing beginning 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept 10, at Pine Knob Golf Club in Clarkston  
Cost, which includes use of the driving range, luncheon buffet, golf and dinner, is \$130 Dinner only is \$40 For details,

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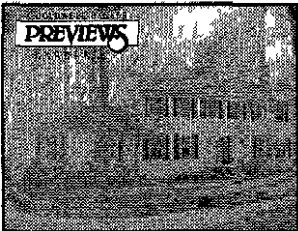
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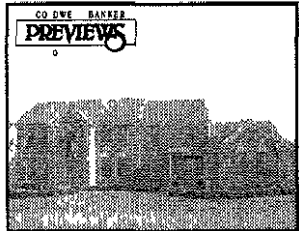
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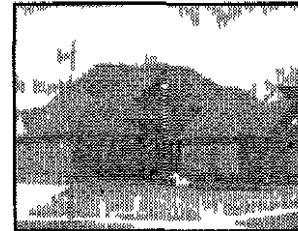
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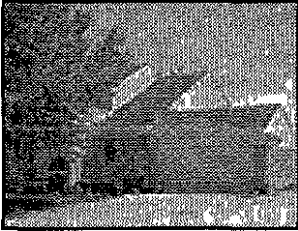
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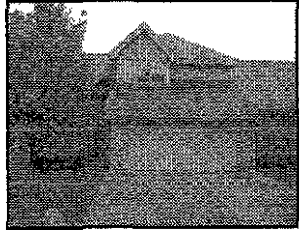
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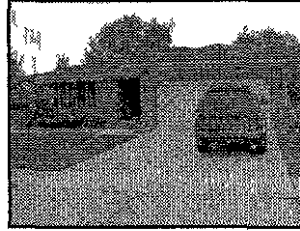
**CANTON \$385,900**  
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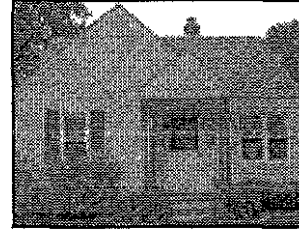
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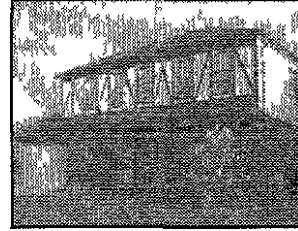
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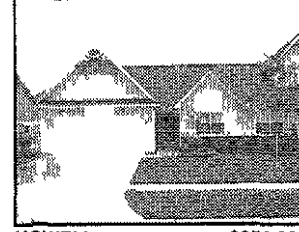
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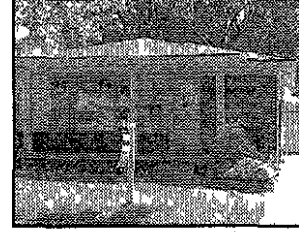
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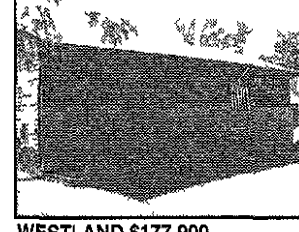
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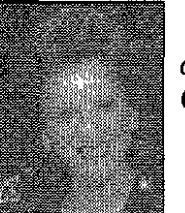
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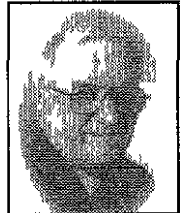


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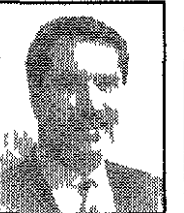


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**Canton-42079 Saratoga Circle**  
3 bdrm 2 1/2 ba. Built in 1994 approx. 1561 sqft finished basement, 2 car garage natural fireplace \$209 900

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**Canton-59611 Bellows Creek Ct**  
4 bedroom 4 1/2 ba Colonial 4 car gar, marble countertops in bath, cherry oak floors Crown crowners \$629,900

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**Canton-42244 Trotwood Court**  
Nearly 2 200 sqft quad level, 4 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths 1st flr laundry in ground pool w/spa \$239,900

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**Canton 8100 Sandpiper**  
3 bdrm 2 ba Colonial w/ c/cgar Huge FR w/ nat FP cathedral ceilings w/skylights \$237 900

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**Canton-42789 Vista Circle N**  
3 bdrm Cape Cod built in 2001 Spectacular finished basement, 2 200+ sqft 2 1/2 car gar \$324 900

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**Plymouth 500 Ford unit B-5**  
Popular 1 bdrm Willow Brook Condo w/new carpet, paint, updated kitchen, spa tub \$94,500

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**Inkster-30185 Hazelwood**  
3 bdrm brick ranch w/renovated oak kitchen, new roof, windows plumbing wtr htr \$84 000

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**Inkster 30121 Glenwood**  
Lovely 3 bdrm brick ranch w/new furnace & C/A carpet windows ceramic tile & more \$80 000

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**Ypsilanti-7921 Creekbend**  
Newer const 4 bdrm 2 1/2 ba, 2 408 sqft colonial Formal fr & dr mstr ste w/garden tub \$299 900

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**Wayne-4805 Williams**  
3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath ranch with fresh paint and new flooring 1 1/2 car garage basement \$119,900

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**Wayne-33976 Carrier**  
3 bedroom bungalow part finished bsmt w/ 1 1/2 bath, newer electric Great starter home! \$99 900

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**Wayne-34880 Winslow**  
Beautiful home in mint cond 2 1/2 car gar Double lot newer roof & C/A Basement \$117 900

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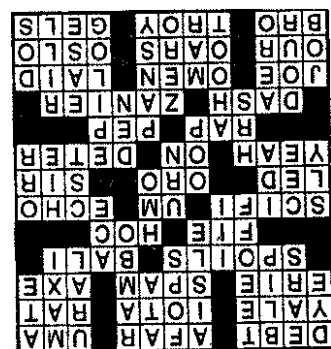
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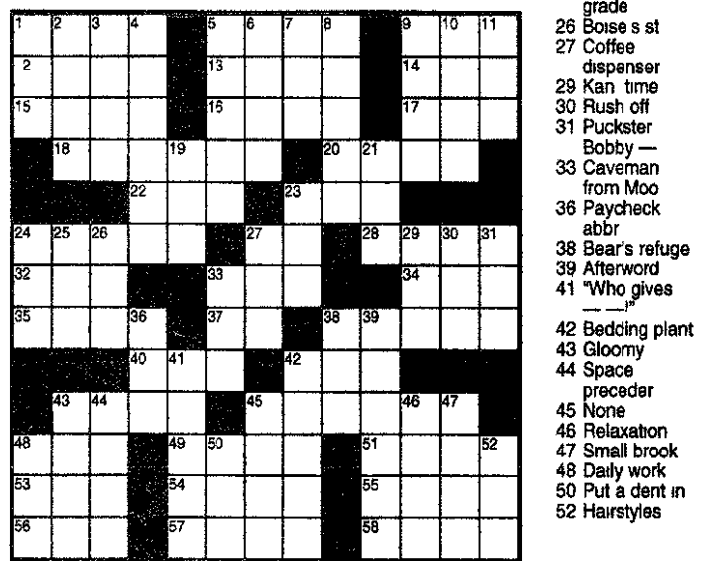
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**BRIGHTON/HOWELL** 1800 sq ft homes on 1/2 acre lots Great location paved streets sidewalks sewers golf & boating Builders closeout hurry only 6 lots left \$180 000 \$220 000 Liberty Homes 810 225 8944

**NEW 2335 sq ft CUSTOM 2 STORY HOME** 4 br 2 5 baths too many updates to list Landscaped ready to move n \$289 900 (248) 866 1422

**BEAUTIFUL** 3 bedroom Colonial Remodeled from top to bottom \$202 900 734 398 5404

**BY OWNER** Stunning 3+ bedroom 3 1/2 bath colonial finished basement built in 1994 Plymouth/Canton Schools Fox Meadows Sub 6510 Fox Hills Rd Canton Center S of Warren Priced to sell \$294 900 734 207 1868

**Canton** 1500 sq ft 3 bedroom colonial 1 5 baths Professionally painted New carpet many other updates A must see \$195 900 (734) 397 8015

**CENTRAL PARK SUB** Colonial 4 bedroom 3 5 bath many upgrades estate lot \$450 000 734 516 0411

**COLONIAL** 4 bedrooms 2 5 baths family room w/ fireplace finished basement updates throughout close to schools & shopping \$234 900 CALL MARIE LaGROW

**REMERICA HOMETOWN** (734) 459-6222

**FOR SALE BY OWNER IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY** 2019 Bellingham S of Palmer E of Sheldon 3 bedroom 1 5 bath finished basement large fenced backyard Plymouth/Canton schools Elementary Discovery Middle School one year home warranty just reduced to \$199 900 (Realtors Welcome) Call Bill at (734) 604 0772

**BLENGARRY VILLAGE** 3 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial former model 2 story foyer with hardwood floor Large bright kitchen with bay window & new floor Newer carpet throughout side entry garage Professionally landscaped \$339 900 (734) 844 7237

**LYNDON VILLAGE** 2900 sq ft 4 bed rooms 2 1/2 baths vinyl dining family rooms & den Too many extras to list \$390 000 734 455 1690 734 455 3515

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**Clarkston 1998 Custom Built** Premium lot located on golf course (under construction) Approximately 6000 sq ft of living area 1st floor master bedroom plan w/finished lower level w/wet bar & built in entertainment center many upgrades granite Corian solid wood stained doors & staircase A must see \$750 000 5652 06 Points Dr Call 248 393 0460 for appt

**DETROIT 3120**  
**MUST SELL!** 3 bedroom Cape Cod w/lots of potential \$61 000 Century 21 Towne Pride (734) 326-2600

**WARRENDALE AREA** 2 clean homes w/ 100% down payment assistance NO down no payments until Oct 1 2003 Jeff (734) 564 8402 agent

**Farmington 3140**  
**BRICK RANCH** Walk to town from this beautifully decorated 3 bedroom home 1 5 baths large living room with hardwood floors dining area remodeled kitchen fireplace in family room finished basement 2 car garage \$184 500

**FIRST OFFERING** A great starter or retiree 2 bedroom ranch country kitchen large living room with natural fireplace partially finished basement nice yard \$124 900 Century 21Nada, Inc 248 477 9800

**FOR SALE BY OWNER** 3165 Cloverdale 3 bedroom 2 bath ranch Walk to town \$165 000 (248) 478 9301

**Super Sharp** 3 bedroom home w/ many newer updates full basement 2 car garage on a large lot ready to move into \$137 900

**PERFECT FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS** Clean 3 bedroom ranch remodeled kitchen & bath newer windows doors and roof shingles on a large lot \$116 900

**CASTELLI** (734) 528 7900 Servng the area for 28 yrs

**LAND CONTRACT AVAILABLE** 3 bedroom brick Ranch on 2 acres Many updates! Brighton Schools 7715 Hamburg Rd \$239 900 (313) 220 3555

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**5 MILE & LEVAN** Immaculate 4 bedroom 2 bath quad huge lot Completely updated \$224 900 (734) 464 7486

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**HOMES IN THE HILLS**  
\$295 000  
**COLONIAL W/POOL** Beautiful 4 BR 2 5 bath home has living & dining rooms Family room w/fireplace & doorwalk to deck Kitchen w/appliances 1st floor BR could be office Wooded back yard w/in ground pool patio & play area 2 car garage (BY311)

**\$229 900 IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY** Charming brick ranch on 75 x 160 lot w/mature trees shrubs & perennial gardens Open floor plan & neutral decor 23 x 15 living room w/fireplace & Pergo floor Studio w/private bath Glass enclosed porch Patio 2 car atached garage (AL334)

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**Lovely Home** 4 BR 2 5 bath colonial has full bsmt side entry garage & is located in gorgeous neighborhood fireplace living room & formal dining room plus storage galore Call for details \$304 900

**KAREN BROWN** 248 348 3000 ext 212 RE/MAX 100

**SHARP COLONIAL** A beautiful colonial prime area of Farmington Hills Kitchen has ceramic tile & island kitchen huge Florida room family room with brick fireplace living room library 1st floor laundry room very low price \$899,000

**A REAL BEAUTY!** 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath ranch 2 fireplaces each located in living room and family room walk in closet in master bedroom all overlooks huge wooded lot Great kitchen with island \$294,500

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**3 BEDROOM 2 bath ranch** on deep lot Newer shingles windows siding furnace kitchen 2 5+ car garage & more Family room library/computer room lots of storage \$214 900 (03HEN) CENTURY 21 ROW (734) 464-7111

**A MUST SEE!** This ranch offers 3 bedrooms 2 baths finished bsmt w/ rec room 2 car garage \$219 900 CENTURY 21 PREMIER (734) 453 4300 44959 Ford Rd Canton

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**PLYMOUTH** Drastically reduced on buildable extra lot 3 bedroom 1 bath garage many updates large deck Best buy in Plymouth \$199 900

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**COMPLETELY UPDATED** 1900 sq ft All appliances \$251 300 www.hno.com ID#16845 313 363 0277

**CUSTOM BUILT** 3200 sq ft brick ranch back ing to nature reserve 4 bedroom 2 5 bath master with jacuzzi stunning finished walkout basement 2 car attached garage deck patio asking \$395 000 OneWay Realty 734 473 5500

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**NOTTINGHAM WEST SUB** Totally updated 4 br 2 1/2 bath colonial 2450 sq ft heated in ground pool Must see! \$354 900 734 591 3961

**OPEN 8/10 20330 Louise 4** br 1 5 bath brick air fireplace appliances Bright open plan Reduced must sell! \$194 500 Bring all offers! 248 471 2363

**OPEN SUN 1 4** 19759 Inkster Road 3 bedroom 1 bath ranch freshly painted new carpet utility room fenced yard \$114 500 By Owne 248 626 9093

**SO SPECIAL!** 14737 Arden This charming 3 bedroom 2 bath brick home offers lots of updates plus a lovely family room with fireplace huge fenced yard & a 1 1/2 car garage! \$168 900 Joan Dawkins RE/MAX on the trail (734) 459 1234

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**CAPE COD** 3 bedroom 2 bath 1300 sq ft Newer air w ndows furnace 2 car garage \$125 000 Adjoining lot \$25 000 or both \$145 000 (313) 794 0244

**Lovely 4 Bedroom** plus 3 bath brick home on quiet tree lined street Mint and just reduced Finished basement & garage RE/MAX 100 (248) 348 3000 THE FIRESTONE TEAM

**PRICE JUST REDUCED** Redford-17689 Norborne 1/6 W/Beech Daily 3 bedroom brick bungalow finished basement \$1000 carpet allowance to purchaser immediate occupancy Seller very motivated SHARON ZYNDA 586 741 8200 586 597 4417 Realty Executives East

**REDFORD \$114 500** MOVE IN CONDITION Spotless 3 BR ranch on huge lot Living room dining room Florida room w/bow window Neutral decor thru out C/A Newer carpet Garage 1 year Home warranty (KN158)

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**REDFORD** 15863 Wormer Must see this beauty! 2 bedroom completely updated new cabinets berber ceramic tile in kitchen bathroom Freshly painted very clean This week only seller will pay closing costs \$89 900 Call Susanna 313 215 8418

**Total move in cost \$2500** Seller pays all closing costs Bruised credit okay Payments approx \$700/mo Updated 2 bedroom w/fenced yard No basement/garage 20410 MacArthur Call A Thomas 248 348 3000 Re/Max 100

**Royal Oak 3370**  
**Clawson** Open Sun 12 4pm 185 W BAKE N 14 Mile on westside of Livorno s 3 bedroom ranch completely updated \$184 900 www.infatube.net ID 046417 (586) 803 0036

**COLONIAL** 4 Bedroom 2100 sq ft new roof kitchen & windows Hardwood floors walk to downtown 2 5 car garage \$249 900 (248) 739 4197

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**ROYAL OAK** Beautiful brk ranch 3 bedrooms 2 baths sauna fireplace \$209 000 248 399 3736 www.geocites.com/southwison

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**CHARMING HUGE LOT!** Located home on 2 5 acre fenced lot 2 bedroom 2 bath fireplace in family room 1st floor laundry room w/lots of cabinets Home warranty \$265,900 Century 21 MLL Corporate Transfers Service 248-851-8700

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**READY AND WAITING** Here's a fine 3 bedroom brick ranch long time owner has taken great care Finished basement 2 5 garage and lots of updates Newer and spacious kitchen updated shingles furnace air windows and more A must see at \$139 900 Call The Anderson's Century 21 Dynamic (734) 728-7800

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**CEDAR ISLAND** Lake views from all rooms Tempting 3 bedroom 3 5 bath ranch Summer kitchen in finished walk out basement attached garage and almost an acre \$464 900 (248) 887 6900 FIRST AMERICAN

**CONTEMPORARY CAPE COD** 3000 sq ft 120 lake frontage lots extra Metamora \$435 000 810 441 9451

**ELIZABETH LAKEFRONT** \$399K or 1650 sq ft 1974 brick ranch dock Web page info call 248 674 4494

**LAKE ORION** Just reduced! Spectacular 2 story lakefront home with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths Deck access from living room and master bedroom Exterior has walk out to sea wall and beautiful landscaping (80P)

**GREEN OAKS** Serene sunsets a sandy beach and crystal clear water can be yours! Lake home in need of TLC sits on 2 prime lots Perched a tear down to make room for your dream home! 3rd lot available for package price! (11N0) Century 21 Hartford South 734 464 6400 www.cent21.biz

**MILFORD BY OWNER** Year round cottage on beautiful heavily treed lot Deck 10 min walk to Downtown Milford \$149 900 248 620 8872

**WEST BLOOMFIELD** Luxury river w/abundant views of Pine Lake 3 bedrooms 3 full baths & 2 half baths Huge Master Suite w/fireplace and his/her baths Library & Formal Dining room High ceilings expansive windows freshly decorated Finished walk out lower level w/private brick patio Boat dock incl Lowest price in West Bay! \$649 900 Thompson Brown Realtors (248) 539 8700

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**BELLEVILLE** New condo lower level 2 br 2 bath open floor plan appliances \$118 900 Andy 248 318 9668

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**CANTON CONDO NEW** 2 bedroom 2 full baths 1 327 sq ft 1 car attached garage upper level balcony community pool large living area vaulted ceilings large bedrooms never lived in New appliances included \$160 000 (734) 576 3999

**CANTON** Price reduced! Pheasant Run 1 5 story 3 bedroom 2 5 baths 2 fireplaces 2 car garage 1st floor laundry & master suite Jacuzzi \$284 900 734 495 9050

**LIVONIA** Absolutely No Bank Qualifying! \$4900 moves you in! Owner financing Lovely 1/1 condo w/dining room 740 sq ft pool 734 332 9137

**LIVONIA TOWNHOUSE STYLE** End unit 2 br 1 bath semi finished basement Exec move in cond \$99 500 (734) 425 6318



**Condos For Sale 3720**

**NORTHVILLE** Highland Lakes condo Open Sun 11 5 3 bedroom 1 1/2 baths 41276 Lehigh Ct 810 231 1116

**NORTHVILLE CONDO** Rent to Own Large 1 bedroom 1 bath quiet setting newly refurbished new appliances \$107 000 Owner will help 734 981 3857

**NOVI** 2 Bedroom townhouse Garage private entrance Immediate occupancy \$129 900 (248) 553 40292

**JUST LISTED** 2 Story townhouse Vaulted ceilings fireplace finished basement all appliances deck Home Warranty \$159 900 (62PON)

**JUST LISTED** 2 Bedroom free standing ranch w/ basement & 2 car attached garage Great floor laundry island kitchen w/ Jenn air built ins \$318 000 (21EDG) CENTURY 21 ROW (734) 464-7111

**PLYMOUTH** Beacon Hollow condo New interior carpet hardwood floors paint fixtures \$252 900 734 456 3282

**PLYMOUTH TWP (CONDO)** Open house Sat & Sun 1 5 p.m. At prestigious Colony Farms A Beauty 3 5 bath 2 1/2 bedrooms depending on use New hardwood floors in kitchen approx 1850 sq ft Must see views of small lake & island from all 3 levels Asking \$334 000 48053 Cedar Farms Circle Phone (734) 455 9088 Visit www.byowneronly.com

**PLYMOUTH** Beacon Hollow Condos Ranch 2 bedroom 2 bath 1256 Pinecrest Dr 1/2 Mile W of Sheldon off Ann Arbor Trail \$225 000 By appt 248 207 0167

**Rochester Hills KINGS COVE CONDO** 2 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths large closets w/custom organizers Many updates including white kitchen w/Corian counters hardwood floors finished lower level possible 3rd bedroom Move in condition 248 651 1318

**ROCHESTER HILLS** On Paint Creek 1400 sq ft Beautiful view Finished basement fireplace jacuzzi updated \$167 500 586 850 5652

**SHELBY TWP** 2 Bedroom 2 bath attached garage Victorian fireplace w/updates including Low maintenance landscaping \$158 000 For appt (586) 786 0722

**Southfield 5000 TOWNCENTER** 2 & 3 bedroom condos starting at \$159 000 RE/MAX 100 R W Watson 248 736 9000

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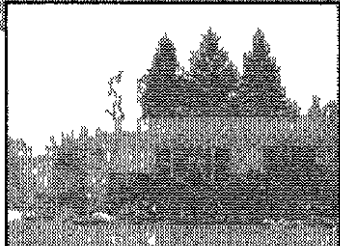
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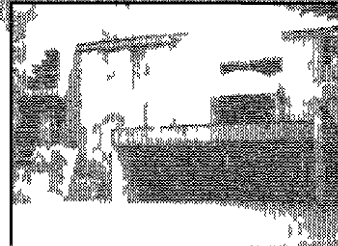
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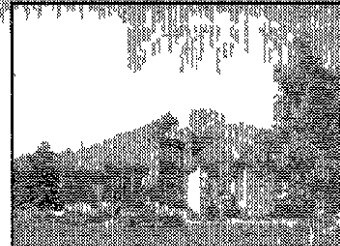
**PLYMOUTH** - Park like setting in private backyard 3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch. Open floor plan w/cath ceiling finished hwdwd frs. Newer kitchen w/ceramic pull up bar seating. Kraftmaid cabinets. Includes sunny dining area w/ceramic floor case ment wndws w/view of yard. Bsmt & gar \$217,500 (31-LAK) 734 455 5600



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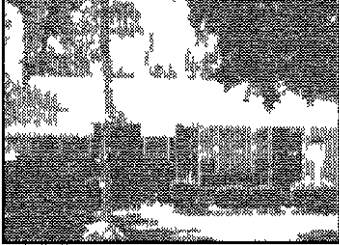
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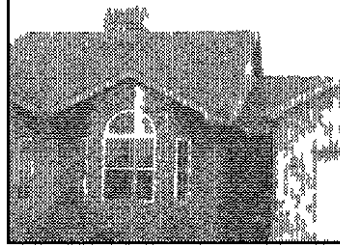
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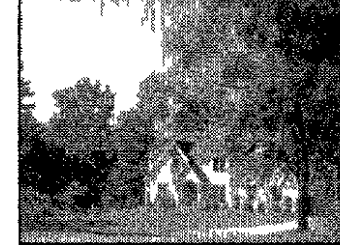
**CANTON** - New construction condo. 2 bedroom 2 bath ranch w/2 car attached garage w/garden windows. CA cathedral ceiling w/2 skylights. 1st floor laundry & deck overlooking pond. \$217,000 (08AV) 734 455 5600



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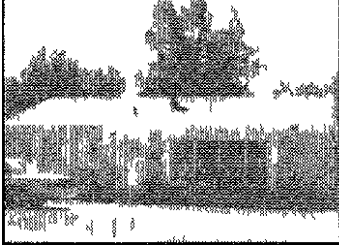
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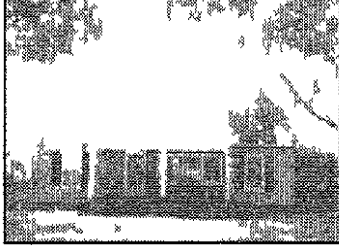
**INKSTER** - Don't miss this one. Fantastic starter home offers garage 2 bedrooms newer roof on house & garage newer steel effc. Doors & much more. \$45,500 (43LEH) 734 455 5600



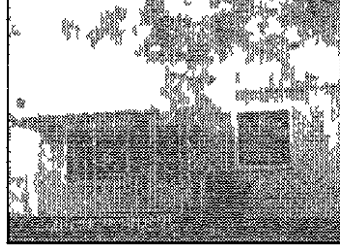
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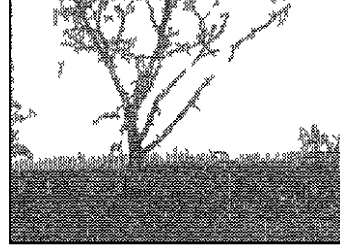
**SOUTH LYON** - Welcome Home. Beautiful 3 bedroom 2.5 bath Amish brick colonial offers spacious master bedroom w/walkers bath. Great room has natural fireplace cathedral ceiling & 9 doorwall to deck. Open kitchen w/oak cabinets. Walk out LL. Professional landscaped. Incredible wooded private lot. \$369,900 (32PLU) 248 349 5600



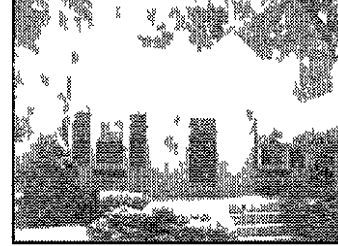
**WESTLAND** - Large home on large lot. Room to roam. Hardwood floors & beautiful oak trim throughout. Updated kitchen offers large bedroom & room for room. Breezeway to attached garage. \$159,900 (09PAL) 734 455 5600



**REDFORD** - Motivated Sellers. Large updated w/ght oak cabinets large master bedroom has walk in closet w/built ins. Updated bath. Wood floors in the other 2 bedrooms. 2.5 car garage. All appliances included. \$112,900 (24MID) 734 455 5600



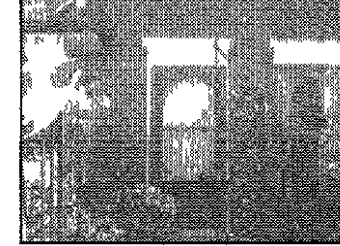
**NORTHVILLE** - Maybury State Park. 4 bedroom ranch that backs to state park. Walk out basement 2 car attached garage. Large on/ntr kitchen heat thru v landscaped w/mature trees all sitting on a very serene 3 acre lot. \$599,000 (25WES) 734 455 5600



**ROYAL OAK** - Charm & Character. 3 bedroom 1.5 bath home on double lot w/2 backyards. Large master suite w/WC. French doors lead to all year sunroom deck & privacy surround. Amenities include HW floors frplc fantastic finished LL w separate office space. A pleasure to see. \$214,900 (10ALE) 248 349 5600



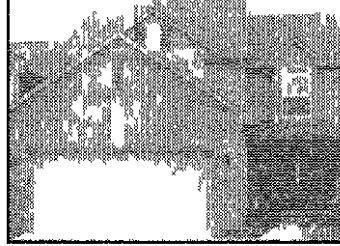
**DEARBORN HGTS** - Location location on roof. This is a superb end of quiet street. Overlook Edward Hines brand new roof house & garage. 7/03. Seve all more updates including vinyl windows make this 3 bedroom ranch most desirable. \$149,900 (67MCM) 248 349 5600



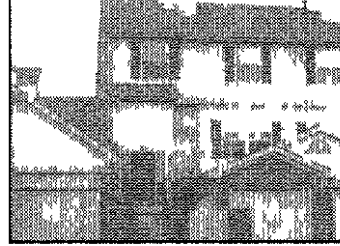
**CANTON** - Beautiful Townhouse. Tastefully decorated & wise upgrade choices in fireplace skylighting & cathedral ceiling. Kitchen w/oak cabinets. Bay windows built in appliances & finished basement. Master bedroom w/WIC & cathedral ceiling. Private patio & walk to pool & club house. \$133,900 (17SOU) 248 349 5600



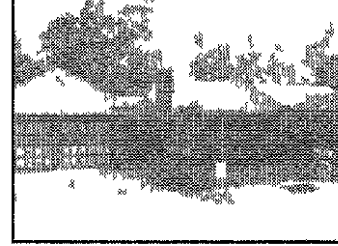
**REDFORD** - Pride of ownership. Loaded with updates in this 3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch offering finished basement 2 car garage & great landscaping w/large fenced back yard. \$149,900 (79MAR) 734 455 5600



**CANTON** - The condo of your dreams. Beautiful 3 bedroom 2 bath cape cod presents 2 car garage basement great room w/replace & wood mantle. Loft w/recessed lighting formal dining room library & much more in this 3 year old beauty. \$289,900 (61CHE) 734 455 5600



**PLYMOUTH** - Ready for you to move into. Spacious 2 bedroom 2.5 bath townhouse w/finished basement 2 car attached garage. Ceramic tile foyer master bedroom w/walk in closet dressing area & bath. 2nd bedroom has full bath vinyl flooring w/replace. \$169,000 (15POL) 734 455 5600



**SOUTHFIELD** - Ranch plus bonus bldg. Outstanding 3 bedroom 2.5 bath home on large private yard. FR w/bay window. Newer roof. Wood deck & pool. 2 car attached garage has pu down storage. Plus huge bonus building that has numerous possibilities. \$179,900 (21WES) 248 349 5600



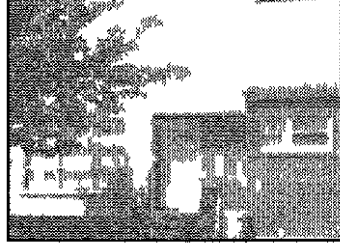
**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Best condo value in town. This beautiful 3 bedroom 2 bath unit features a great floor plan spacious rooms a huge in unit laundry & storage area. Master bedroom suite w/WIC & glamour bath. Neutral decor throughout. Garage and carport. Near complex pool. \$179,000 (52BRE) 248 349 5600



**WAYNE** - A growing family's dream. 3 bedroom 2 bath home on a large lot. Newer furnace C/A tear off carpet updated kitchen & family room addition. Large basement. Spacious master bedroom. Mechanics will enjoy this 2.5 car room garage. Large fenced back yard w/deck. \$124,900 (50NIA) 248 349 5600



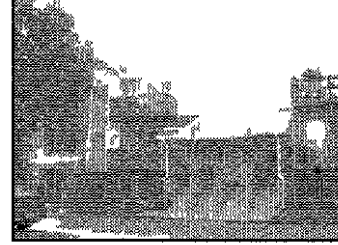
**REDFORD** - Looking for a dream house? Spacious & bright 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch fireplace in living room & family room. Partly finished basement 2 car garage & sunroom with skylights & carpet. \$189,900 (58LOU) 734 455 5600



**REDFORD** - Cute & Cozy 3 bedroom bungalow w/updated oak kitchen roof some windows vinyl siding & much more. 2 car garage w/newer door & basement. \$136,900 (95DEN) 734 455 5600



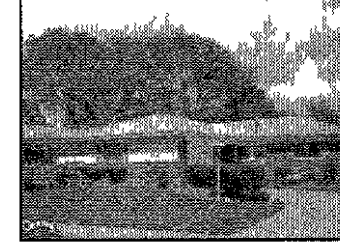
**DETROIT** - Lovely starter home. 2 bedroom 1 bath updated vinyl sided ranch w/fin basement fireplace in living room. CA Florida room w/door to patio & large freed lot + garage. \$112,000 (10RIV) 734 455 5600



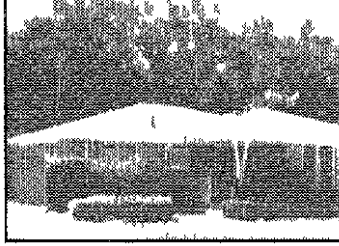
**PLYMOUTH** - Walk to downtown. Desirable 2 bedroom condo for under 140K. Balcony carport oak kitchen cabinets are some of the high ghts. Andersen windows throughout plus bay window in 2nd bedroom. All appliances included. Move in condition. \$137,900 (54PIN) 248 349 5600



**CANTON** - Private park like yard. 3 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial. Family room w/fireplace FF laundry. Cathedral ceiling in kitchen breakfast room. Bay window in living room. Some custom window treatments. Neutral decor. Large deck for outdoor entertaining. Lovely lot on cul-de-sac. 1 year home warranty. \$224,900 (31JAM) 248 349 5600



**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Updated 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch bright total kitchen plan & numerous updates. Walk in refrigerator cabinets flooring sink & dishwasher. Full & 1/2 bath updated. Lighting updated to complete front yard recently resodded & landscaped. \$159,500 (36GLE) 248 349 5600



**REDFORD** - Gorgeous from top to bottom. Charming 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch with finished basement 2 car garage updated kitchen & baths newer windows doors electric plumbing hot water heater. Maintenance free exterior sprinklers & more. \$184,900 (10MAR) 734 455 5600



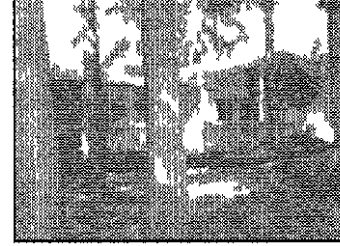
**SOUTHGATE** - Cute clean & updated. Perfect starter home newer windows roof siding furnace CA carpet & Pergo floor vinyl updated bath 2 car garage. Move in condition. All appliances stay. \$94,900 (78IRE) 734 455 5600



**NEW BOSTON** - Better Homes and Garden Home. Absolute beauty! 4 bedroom cape cod sitting on 3/4 acre lot w/1st floor master suite w/WIC & Jacuzzi tub. 2.5 baths LR w/gas frplc DR to country kitchen w/oak cabinets in foyer. In oak trim. 2.5 car attached garage. 90% eff furn & CA Home Warr. \$338,900 (09BRY) 734 455 5600



**WIXOM** - Totally updated and awesome. All new kitchen counters cabinets island and floor in 00 roof furnace CA siding & carpeting in 02 windows in 99 & a 2 car garage in 01. Master bath & WIC in master bedroom. Beautiful landscaping and access to Looer Lake. \$159,900 (92EVO) 248 349 5600



**WHITMORE LAKE** - A home for all seasons. Pristine inside & out. Surround yourself with trees water beach & lake or view. Relax on your decks. Furnace & AC 01. Security system Pergo floor in kitchen. \$235,000 (15MAR) 248 349 5600



**LYON TOWNSHIP** - Lyon Township Cape Cod. Charming 1990 cape cod on approximately 1/2 acre fenced lot. 3 bedrooms 3.5 baths great room w/hardstone fireplace formal dining area beautiful oak kitchen. 1st floor master bedroom FF laundry partially finished rec room 2 car garage & neutral decor. Very sharp. \$229,900 (51MAR) 248 349 5600

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**NORTHVILLE \$1,890,000**  
**BOUNDLESS AMENITIES EXQUISITE ESTATE!** Located n SW Oakland county on private wooded 10 plus acres w/6000+ SF 6 BR 8 baths 2 lavs w/o LL w/au pair ste exercise/spa room & indoor heated pool! (71HUN2)

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**NORTHVILLE \$1,650,000**  
**MAGNIFICENT NEW CONSTRUCTION!** Country French home nestled on private 1 acre site 5 BRS 5 1/2 ba Marble & hwdw flrs Granite & marble cntrs Full f n au pair res w/private entrance Quality T/O! (70VAL2)

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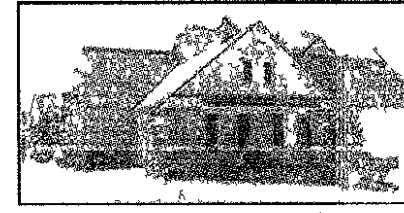
**NORTHVILLE \$1,350,000**  
**MAGNIFICENT EXECUTIVE RETREAT!** Luxurious living! Dramatic entry! Gourmet kitchen indoor pool fantastic fin bsmt w/sauna bar & exercise rm Gorgeous lot Northville schools! A show place! (95OAK2)

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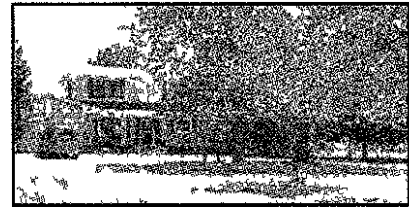
**PLYMOUTH \$469,900**  
**THIS IS THE ONE!** Immaculate Rossi built home Attention to detail beautiful oak kt neutral decor Professional landscaping on a 3/4 acre lot awesome jacuzzi room off deck (23W49651)

734-455-7000



**NORTHVILLE \$467,500**  
**STUNNING NEUTRAL CONDO** on the best dressed 1st 2 BRS 2 1/2 baths Numerous up grades incl granite light ng carpet & cabinets Extra Crown midg Luxury mstr bath (80LYO2)

248-348 6430



**CANTON \$438,900**  
**4 1/2 ACRES!** Great family home 6 bdrms 3 baths 50x300 stocked pond Pole barn & pool New roof furnace & A/C New hrdwd flrs in kit & fam rm Kit appliances & home warranty (23N3632)

734 455 7000



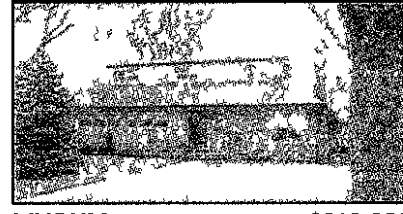
**FARMINGTON HILLS \$429,900**  
**FABULOUS IMMACULATE HOME ON WOODED LOT** Elegance surrounds you! 3 BR 2 1/2 Bath Cape Cod Neut T/O with every amenity Gourmet kt w/granite mstr ste w/luxury bath lib w/french drs & blt in bkcses (36WES2)

248-348 6430



**LIVONIA \$369,900**  
**IMPECCABLY MAINTAINED!** Transere perfect! Move right n 4 BR 3 1/2 BA colonial. Beautiful kit w/accnt tile & sl Lg FR w/FP & cathedral cell mstr BR w/his/her closets/spacious BA (10MAN2)

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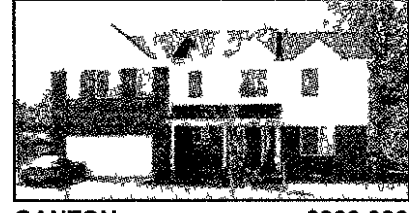
**LIVONIA \$319,900**  
**IMMACULATE!** 4 BR 2 1/2 bath Coventry Garden Cape Cod! Updtd kitchen f n d bsmt on 41 acre lot (43COV2)

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**WESTLAND \$314,900**  
**PULTE BUILT IN 1997** 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths volume ceiling in great room hard to find dual staircase master bedroom with full bath and walk in closet professionally fin basement (S8146)

734-591 9200



**CANTON \$309,900**  
**BEAUTIFUL!** Large 4 bdrn 2 1/2 bath col Very spacious LR w/gas frplc 9 ceilings t/c 1st flr Open kit w/wh te cbnts 2nd flr laundry Mstr ste w/dual WIC & whir pool tub (23P41625)

734 455 7000



**DEARBORN \$299,900**  
**4 BR 3 1/2 BA 2100+ SF HOME!** All natural birch & oak woodwork bright kit lg pantry some hrdwd flrs immediate occupancy Finished basement 2 car garage Neat clean & well cared for (C321)

734 591 9200



**CANTON \$259,900**  
**PRIME N CANTON LOCATION!** Beautifully maintained & updated 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial on a quiet treed corner lot Family room updated kitchen deck & much more! (23W6156)

734 455 7000



**BELLEVILLE \$244,900**  
**LARGE BRICK COLONIAL** Two story 4 bdrn 2 1/2 ba mstr bdrn w/wic 2 1/2 car garage full bsmt gas fp in LR Over 2200 sq ft of great living (B14917)

734-591-9200



**CANTON \$239,900**  
**HURRY! BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL WILL NOT LAST!** New updates thru out including aluminum sid ng garage door & front & back decks Neutral carpet replaced in 2000 This house shows pride of ownership p (C6562)

734-591 9200



**NORTHVILLE \$239,000**  
**CUTE AS A BUTTON** Lots of possibilities in exclusive cabbage town Beautiful stone fireplace n family room Unique wood floor ng in entrance Nice size yard Home warranty (25NOV6)

248-349 6200



**CANTON \$225,000**  
**SPACIOUS END UNIT CONDO!** Small private comp ex GR w/cathedral ceiling mstr w/g bath & WIC Full part ally f n d bsmt w/full bath pantry & extra storage 2 car attached garage (91MEA2)

248 348-6430



**BELLEVILLE \$224,900**  
**BETTER THAN NEW CONSTRUCTION!** 1998 b t Cape Cod located deep in sub on a cul de sac is so well maintained you'll think you're walking thru a spec home! 3BR 2 1/2 BA over 1600 SF and more! (M42646)

734-591-9200



**SOUTH LYON \$219,900**  
**RANCH ON 1 ACRE JUST MINUTES TO THE CITY** Beautiful home n peaceful country setting 3 BR 2 BA 1368 SF w/numerous updates 32x24 Polebarn could be used as gar Full bsmt New kit w/appl (9EIG2)

248-348 6430



**WESTLAND \$214,999**  
**CUSTOM DESIGNED KITCHEN WALL THE PERKS!** 3 bdrn walk out fin shed LL included n sq ft You won't believe how awesome this home is unless you see it for yourself 2 1/2 custom deck and more! (L221)

734-326 2000



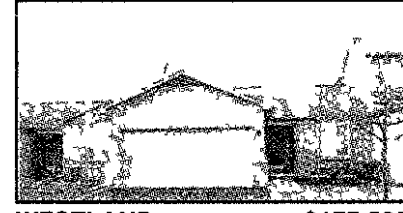
**PLYMOUTH \$204,900**  
**UPDATED PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP HOME!** Walk to local elem school or walk to Hi nes Park either way this charming ranch has locat on a 1 over t Full base 2 car det FR w/a FP & tons of updates (H11520)

734 591 9200



**WESTLAND \$194,900**  
**YOU WON'T WANT TO LEAVE** lovely 3 Bdr 2 bath ranch w/newer carpet & paint roof shingles privacy fence landscaping gorgeous sun rm sprinklers plant box window 2 car gar & more (R368)

734 326 2000



**WESTLAND \$177,500**  
**DESIRABLE DEERHURST RANCH UNIT** Sharp fin shed basement neutral door six panel doors window treatments cathedral ceiling pantry ma n floor laundry 2 1/2 baths and much more (D365)

734-326-2000



**REDFORD \$174,900**  
**COUNTRY IN THE CITY!** This brk ranch sits on a half acre lot New windows in family rm w/FP and separate heat and air Roof 3 yrs furnace/13 yrs part fin bsmt all appliances (M17394)

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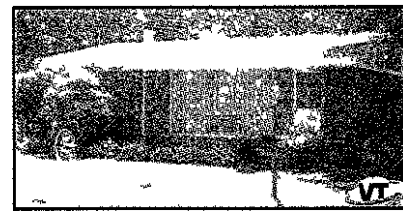
**PLYMOUTH \$173,900**  
**CHARMING RANCH!** 3 bedroom 1 bath nestled in heart of Plymouth! This home has updates galore! You will not be disappointed! Not a drive by (23P420)

734 455 7000



**WESTLAND \$169,900**  
**BRICK RANCH ON A NICE ROAD!** New tear off roof HWH newer eat n kit With some work & TLC this can become a great home 3 bdrn partly fnshd bsmt w/bar 2 1/2 car att gar Livonia schools (23G8466)

734-455-7000



**LIVONIA \$168,900**  
**JUST LISTED!** 1 026 Sq Ft 3 BR 1 1/2 bath br ck ranch with hard to find cathedral ceilings Offers open floor plan neutral colors knotty pine f n bsmt & much more!! (D17518)

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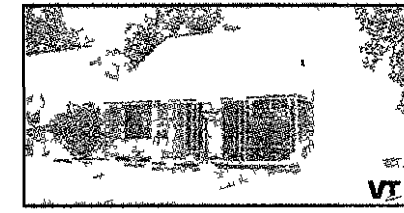
**REDFORD \$165,000**  
**TONS OF CHARM & CURB APPEAL** Over 1 500 square feet Formal dining room updated kitchen fireplace walk out basement 2 car garage & more (S143)

734 326-2000



**REDFORD \$154,900**  
**GOOD AS NEW** This 3 BR 2 bath ranch is all updated & move n condition! White formica kit new baths hrdwd flrs new carpet FLA rm fin bsmt and 2 car garage (96MAC2)

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**REDFORD \$144,900**  
**1200 PLUS SQUARE FEET!** 3 bedroom 1 bath brick bungalow 15k kitchen w/maple cabinet y updated bath piush carpets in neutral colors and more! (D9360)

734-591 9200



**REDFORD \$142,900**  
**WILL YOU BE THE LUCKY NEW OWNERS?** Full brick ranch loaded w/expans w/updates 3 BR 2 car garage full bsmt beautifully landscaped walk to schools and parks Hurry this one is nice (G15553)

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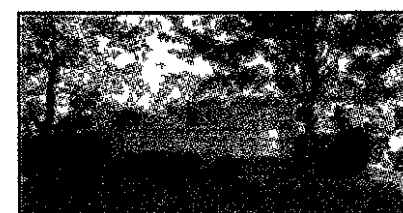
**REDFORD \$139,900**  
**3 BEDROOM BRICK BUNGALOW** New kitchen cabinets counter tops flooring updated electric plumbing floor plan neutral colors knotty pine f n bsmt & much more!! (R11426)

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**WAYNE \$138,900**  
**2200+ SQ FT 14-5 BEDROOMS!** Ranch family rm w/fireplace 1st floor laundry 1 1/2 bathrooms enclosed heated Florida rm maintenance free exterior ots of room for possible home business (G348)

734 326-2000



**WESTLAND \$134,500**  
**UPDATES GALORE IN THIS 3 BR** brk & v nyl 1978 built Westland ranch Full basement newer furnace central air vinyl windows steel entry doors & roof shingles (H171)

734 326 2000



**WESTLAND \$133,900**  
**CHARMING RANCH!** Great 3 BR home located on large traffic dead end street Enjoy re ax ng on a large deck with extra large fenced yard Nice curb appeal (26FAR2)

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**CANTON \$123,900**  
**HOME SWEET HOME!** Cozy raised ranch n great locat on of complex! Open floor plan cathedral ceilings balcony overlooks courtyard (23L42775)

734 455 7000



**REDFORD \$121,900**  
**SWEET SWEET SWEET** 3 BR bungalow loaded w/updates A pleasure to see Very clean and well maintained Maintenance free exterior Lovely landscaping Call to see (K20470)

734 591 9200



**WESTLAND \$105,900**  
**DESIRABLE 2 BEDROOM WILLOW CREEK CONDO** Immaculate w/newer windows carpet kt cabinets Freshly painted throughout walk in closet MSTR BDRM Direct access to garage Pool & clubhouse Super sharp (S381)

734 326 2000



**LIVONIA \$82,500**  
**DESIRABLE GROUND FLOOR END UNIT** w/ the added bonus of an unit stacked washer/dryer New c/a New Berber carpet t/o Custom mirrors n din ng area Master has walk in closet (B294)

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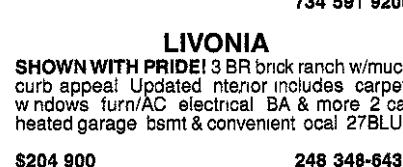
**WESTLAND \$77,900**  
**WHY RENT?** Very affordable 2 BR brick condo with full basement door wall new furnace & central air Lots of updates! Call for spec fcs (S262)

734-326 2000



**LIVONIA \$257,900**  
**LARGE PRIME TREED LOT!** Great location Well maintained 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial 2-car attached garage large fenced yard Conan & oak kitchen/baths br ck entry Must see!! 23G36733

734-455-7000



**LIVONIA \$204,900**  
**SHOWN WITH PRIDE!** 3 BR brick ranch w/much curb appeal Updated interior includes carpet w ndows furn/AC electrical BA & more 2 car heated garage bsmt & convenient ocal 27BLU2

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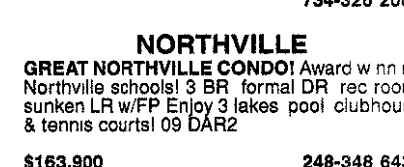
**WESTLAND \$189,900**  
**3 BR 2 BA RANCH** Lots of room new roof furnace carpet appliances All furniture negotiable Great family home close to schools shopping recreation S34736

734-591 9200



**LIVONIA \$174,900**  
**A DOLL HOUSE** A pleasure to see Totally up dated inside and out 3 BR 1 1/2 BA basement & garage Private deck Beautiful perennial gar dens S30545

734 591 9200



**NORTHVILLE \$163,900**  
**GREAT NORTHVILLE CONDO!** Award winning Northville schools! 3 BR formal DR rec room sunken LR w/FP Enjoy 3 lakes pool clubhouse & tennis courts! 09 DAR2

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ESTATE SALE Binghamton One day only Sat Aug 9th 9 5 604 Hanna corner of Watks n (Lincoln & South field) Misc furniture queen size bed room set w/ new mattress

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FARMINGTON HILLS 50's 70's Designer Danish modern N Miller Rosenthal Mikasa Lenox Lladro piano rattan rocks/shells & metal sculptures Fri Sat 11 14 plus 25865 Castlereigh 248 478 2929 www.apapp.com

POP CULTURE! 60's 80's clothes LP's books etc Fri Sun 10 5 5069 Talbot Detroit N/Caniff E/Conant

PRESTIGE ESTATE SALES Fri & Sat Aug 8 & 9 10-4 384 Puritan Birmingham N off Maple between Southfield & Chesterfield Contemporary art & pottery chairs spool cabinets 4 poster beds Lennox set linens books records more 586 662 7373

THURS SUN BY APPLY ONLY Chippendale dining set Mahogany bar Fine furniture Exquisite new 248 535 0089

W BLOOMFIELD Fri Sun 10 5 Moving & must sell everything that won't fit in our new condo Over 32 yrs of collecting Herman Miller Knoll Lane Heywood Wakefield Hoffman Deco Modern Memphis & other furniture Large amount of Thrup & Prison art Large quantity of vintage bags (beaded leather designer compacts) oak set retainer iron bed rugs design 9r clothes mens & womens furs & leather coats purses & shoes Prada Mugler Gucci & others Wedgewood dishes crystal silver serving pcs art glass candle sticks pottery & much more (Crazy Log Cabin Postage Stamp) 6780 Post Oak Dr 1 bks S of Maple W off Middlebelt

WESTLAND ESTATE SALE 8571 Terri Dr W of Merriman S of Joy Lots of furniture kitchen & garage Thur Sat 9 7

248 217 7101 248 628 6326 Appraiser & Liquidator for 40 Yrs in Metro Area

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ESTATE SALE

Friday Aug 8th Saturday Aug 9th Open at 8am Each Day 48814 Hoffer Blvd Wixom MI

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Berkley 2361 Edgewood Blvd (12 & Coolidge) Fri & Sat 9 4 High quality items for children home & Xmas

Beverly Hills Aug 7 9 4 Collectibles & household goods 22190 Camelot Ct W off Lahser betwn 13 & 14 Mile

Beverly Hills 6 family! Thurs Sat 9 5 31085 Alden Beverly Rd betwn Southfield & Evergreen

Beverly Hills Thurs Fri 9 4 31448 Sunset N/13 Mile E of Evergreen S of Beverly Household items books toys

Bingham Farms Friday Only 9 5 23703 Old Orchard Trail 1 bks E of Telegraph N of 13 Mile off Bingham Rd

Bingham Farms Misc household items including children's toys & clothes Fri & Sat 9 4 23736 Old Orchard Tr off Bingham Rd 1/2 way betwn 13 & 14 Mile

Birmingham 2585 Winde mer N/Maple W/Coolidge (Multi family) Aug 8 & 9 9 am Camping equipment antiques household items baby clothes/toys & furniture

Birmingham Blowout Garage Sale Aug 8th 9 4 1569 Emmons E off Woodward Great prices collectibles etc

Birmingham Fri Sun 9 4 Furniture toys clothes & much more 815 Ridgesside E of Woodward N of Maple

Birmingham 1819 & 1840 Fairview (Maple/Chesterfield area) Sat Aug 9th 8 3 Toys & lots more

Birmingham Multi family TV furniture jewelry type writer appliances stamps coins dog crate crafts door items & much more Aug 7 9 9am 1pm 580 W Lnc n (14 1 2 Mile Rd between Woodward & Southfield)

Bloomfield Hills 420 Waddington Fri & Sat 8am 4pm Toys sporting goods clothes furniture more

Bloomfield TWP Sat Aug 9 9 3 Garden & shop tools hardware bikes wski wetsets xmas file cab toys 3540 Franklin N of Long Lake

Garage Sales

FARMINGTON HILLS Big Sale Prced go 29844 Ravenscroft (13 and Drake) Thurs & Fri 9 4 Sat 9 2

FARMINGTON HILLS 21451 Lundy S of Folsom btwn Farmington & Orchard Lake Aug 7 9 9am 5pm

Farmington Hills Fri Sat Aug 8 9 9 30 5 Canterbury Commons 29852 Millard Rd of Orchard Lake Rd N of 13 Mile Rd Moving Housewares collectibles glassware tools yard & sports equipment & more!

Farmington Hills THE BEST BACK! Sat Sun 9 3 30927 Perrys Crossing S14 W/off Farmington Lots of old lots of new lots of everything! Quality Queen size clothing

Farmington Hills huge sale 33722 N/11 Mile off Farmington Rd N of 11 Mile Aug 14 16 10 4

Farmington Hills HUGE SALE Refrigerator clothes bikes misc 35372 Spring Hill off Drake betwn 13 & 14 Mile Thurs Sat Aug 7 9 9 5pm

Farmington Hills 2 family Aug 7 9 9 5 New ceramics misc items 36511 W Lyman off Drake 1 bks N of 11 Mile

Farmington Hills 3 Family Sale 8/7 & 8 9 4 Exc kid/adult clothes toys/bikes household 31202 & 31226 Westwood S/14 E off Drake

Farmington Hills Aug 14 & 15 9 5pm 30024 Woodbrook (Holly Hill Farms Sub) W off Middlebelt Bet 12 & 13 Mile Furniture house wares misc follow signs

Farmington Hills ONLY 3 houses on Laestock between Inker & Middlebelt S off 11 Mile Furniture art clothing 1 mens jewelry housewares camping stuff NO JUNK! Don't miss it! Follow signs

Farmington Hills Aug 8 & 9 10 3 Exercise equipment toys kitchen table & more! 30785 Huntsman W off Drake N of 13 Mile

Farmington Hills Everything (almost) must go! Furniture tools books soft wares & more Sat & Sun 10am 4pm 21861 Leyte 9 Mile (between Middlebelt & Leister) Tridwell S to Doreen E to Leyte

Farmington Hills Huge Sale! 36120 Pineview 2 bks W of Drake S of 13 Old new records fishing antiques clothes art much more Fri Sat Aug 8 9 9 5

Farmington Hills HUGE SALE! Thurs only 9 6 37765 Bradley Dr 9 Mile Halsted Farmington Square Sub furniture household tools small appliances kitchen items compute equipment Everything n need to sel!

Farmington Hills A Little Bit of Everything! Sat Aug 9 9 30 22073 Red Clover Btwn 12 & 13 Mile Rd & Farmington/Orchard Lake

Farmington Hills Aug 8 9 21208 Prestwick Applebrooke Sub E/Halsted 5/9 Toys clothes furniture

Farmington Thurs Sat 9 30 6 32420 Cloverdale 1 bks W/Powers & S/Grand River Lots of everything!!

Garage Sales

LIVONIA Thurs Sat 9 5pm 14415 Houghton off Newburgh between 5 Mile & Lyndon Household & misc items

LIVONIA Aug 7 9 9 6PM 9850 Laurel S/Plymouth between Wayne & Stark Baby equipment baby & kids toys clothes stuffed animals etc

LIVONIA Aug 8 & 9 9 3pm Baby clothes trailer hitch country items kitchen etc 37162 Fairfax N/7 Mile E/Newburgh

LIVONIA Garage & furniture sale Sat 8/9 9 5 Sun 8/10 10 5 35344 Barbury S of 7 E of Wayne

LIVONIA GIANT YARD SALE To benefit missions Many families lots of stuff! School materials Aug 8 & 9 9-4pm 14768 Bamberidge S/5 Mile

LIVONIA Huge Sale! Furniture office/business household pet supplies 100's of knitting patterns Christmas & much more 16552 Gacy Lane N of 7 Mile W of Gail Wed Sat 6th 9th 9 4 Cash & carry

LIVONIA MULTI FAMILY Aug 8th & 9th 9 5 16060 Golfway Southside of 5 Mile E of Levan Trampoline scrubbook supplies kid clothes and much more!

Livonia Thurs Sat 10 6 14105 Alexander E/Middlebelt N/Schoolcraft 3 pc twin bedroom set golf clubs luggage sofa table clothes etc

LIVONIA Thurs Aug 7 Sun Aug 10 9am 8942 Laurel SE corner of Ann Arbor Trail & Wayne Huge SALE! Lots of new items clothes baby toys tools & yard items

LIVONIA Aug 7 10 9am 6pm Huge multi family sale is back! 15648 Farmington Rd (N/5 Mile) Lots of misc

LIVONIA Huge garage sale 35501 Parkdale off Levan Aug 8 9th 8 4 Lots of misc

LIVONIA 4 Families Aug 8 10 9 6 Children furniture landscaping retaining wall blocks books household items 35523 Richland cross road Wayne & Plymouth

LIVONIA Aug 7 9th 9 4 37846 Pickford 7 mile & Newburgh Variety of quality items

LIVONIA Furniture appli ancse etc Must see 9290 Hilda Thurs 9 2

NOVI 21 FAMILY COS YOUTH BENEFIT Fri Aug 8 9 5 Sat Aug 9 9 3 48768 Delmont Dr N (N/10 Mile E/Wixom) Don't miss!

NOVI MOVING Sat 8/9 9 4 24491 Old Orchard off of 10 & Haggerty (249)477 2786

OAK PARK Garage/Estate Sale Furniture silverware lamps marble & leather topped tables 1950's mahogany bedroom set including triple dresser full size bed & highboy assorted small appliances stereo equip & more No baby stuff Very few tools Sat Aug 9 10 3 24430 Roanoke W of Woodward S of I696 Service Dr (By the Detroit Zoo) Everything n must go No reasonable offers refused

Garage Sales

REDFORD Household items tools lawn turn misc Thurs Sat 9am 2pm 10007 Crosley S/Plymouth E/Beach

REDFORD Huge sale 8/7 & 8/8 9am 5pm Nice crib & dresser nice baby clothes & toys 9159 Hemingway

REDFORD Moving sale Fri Sun 9 6pm 12040 San Jose E of Inkster N of Plymouth All depths and antiques

REDFORD MULTI FAMILY books records cds clothing lots of stuff Friday & Saturday Aug 8th & 9th 9 3 15034 Fox S of 5 Mile E of Inkster

ROCHESTER 301 Thalia Fri & Sat 9am 5pm Clocks antiques Hummels gold jewelry Closemme railroad lights Navajo rugs western more unique things

ROCHESTER Aug 9th & 10th and Aug 14th 16th & 16th 10am 5pm 4795 Cider Hill W of Orion N of Dutton off Gallagher Rd Clothing vintage antiques jewelry furniture misc

ROCHESTER Hills Fri Sat 9 2 Teen clothes electronics furniture misc 954 Hadley Royal & Rochester Rds

ROYAL OAK 2 Family 4325 West 14 Mile 3 houses W of Woodward Aug 8th 10th 10 5 Toddler/adult clothes toys lots of misc

ROYAL OAK Multi family sale Aug 7 9 9am 3pm 4603 Mandalay 14 & Coolidge

SHELBY TWP Sat Aug 9th 9am 1pm 1 DAY ONLY! 56985 Mt Vernon between 26 Mile & Dequindre 10 Xmas tree computer kitchen sink household a/c and much more!

SOUTHFIELD Moving Sale! Sat Sun 13 9am 4pm 36601 Ford Rd 100 species 734 722 7620

SOUTHFIELD Thurs Sat 9 4 Baby child adult & plus size clothes toys books exercise equip & much more 28777 San Carlos E of Lahser S of 12 Mile off of Murray Crescent

SOUTHFIELD Aug 9th Sat 9th 8am 8pm 2113 Midway S of 9 Mile W of Evergreen Large items etc

SOUTHFIELD Huge sale Aug 8 10 9 4 17336 Avilla Blvd S of 12 Mile E of Southfield Rd Take Red Leaf Lane

SOUTHFIELD 25317 Ravine Rd Aug 8 9 Fri & Sat 9 6pm Boys teens toys & misc household

SOUTHFIELD Multi family Clothes toys furniture tools lawn equip tractor 28475 Ranchwood Dr Off 12 Mile W of Evergreen Fri & Sat 9 5

STERLING HEIGHTS Cake Baker Garage Sale Ret red Past y Chef Wedd ng & Cake pans cake decorat ng & wed ding supp s 2399 Westmount Cr Fri Sat 9 4

Garage Sales

TROY/ BIRMINGHAM Multi family Sat Aug 8th 9 6pm Furniture childrens clothing toys decorative accessories 890 Norwich N of 15 off Adams take Derby to Norw ch

TROY Sat Aug 9 10 5 Nordictrack futon stroller golf clubs etc 2370 Topaz S of Square Lake E of John R

W BLOOMFIELD Thurs Sun 10 5 Glider rocker futr nature baby items crb youth bed reing Nordic Track exer cycle 4930 Bantry N of Maple W off Farmington

W Bloomfield Aug 7 8 9 4 1936 Bloomfield Oaks Dr off Hiller & Greer Oaks Dr kids items misc household items

W BLOOMFIELD Fr Sat Aug 8 9 9 30 5pm 7371 Woodlure Parkridge Sub N off Pontac Trail between Green Lake Rd & Haggerty

W BLOOMFIELD Multi fam ily sale Tools furnt ure misc Aug 7 9 9 5 5332 Pleasant View Ct Walnut Lake & Naisted

W BLOOMFIELD Thurs Sat 10 4 Household goods kids & adult clothes toys games 5617 Powder Horn Dr SW corner M d debel/Walnut Lake

W Bloomfield G gantic Sale Dishes clothes antiques & much mo e Thurs Fri & Sun 4836 Fair Court Dr 1 bks S of Walnut Lake N of Farmington

Wayne Multi family Sat Sun Aug 9 10 9 5 35708 Main St bet Michigan Ave (& W bound) off Elizabeth

WESTLAND Yard & Estate Sale 229 N Parent Aug 9 10 Cherry Hill & Wayne Rd area

WESTLAND COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE Sat Sun 13 9am 4pm 36601 Ford Rd 100 species 734 722 7620

WESTLAND 20 YEARS OF STUFF & THE kitchen sink Thurs Aug 7th Sun Aug 10th 9am 3pm 31793 McKenzie Dr 1 block S of Joy W of Merriman

WESTLAND Aug 8 & 9 9am 4pm Misc items 644 N Brandon off Newburgh betwn Cherry Hill & Marquette

WESTLAND Big Yard Sale 36203 Mania Palmer & Wayne Power tools radial arm saw golf clubs guns large fans lawn tools lots & lots items Thurs & Fri 9am 6pm Sat 9am 9 30

WESTLAND Huge Condo Sale Maple Village E of Hix btwn Ford & Cherry H I Aug 8 & 9 8am 3pm

WESTLAND LADIES AUXILIARY VFW 9885 ANNUAL SALE Sat Aug 9th 8 4 6440 H X Rd Betwn Ford & Warren

WESTLAND Moving sale Fri & Sat Aug 8 & 9 8am 5pm 6980 N Fa m n gton Rd n on Wa en & Fo 1

Moving Sales

BLOOMFIELD HILLS Sale Furniture des oner clothing girls clothing girls bedroom set k ng pillowtop mattress/ box rattan din ng set & much more 797 Tennyson Downs Ct btwn 16 & Watties off Adams Fri & Sat 10 4

EVERYTHING MUST GO! Ping pong table step ladders some furniture Games puzzle zels & much more Fri Aug 8 & Sat Aug 9 9am 4 30pm 36730 Rayburn W of Levan N of 5 Mile

LAKE ORION DARK OAK DINING TABLE with 6 tilt cloth armchairs \$575/best Small hvde a bed sofa \$100/best End tables (3 light 2 dark) \$100 Kitchen aid washer/dryer tan Exec \$350 248 814 0695

Livonia Thurs Sun 9am 5 Multi fam ily 15836 Edington 2 bks NW 5 Mile & Farmington Contemporary furniture glass end tables shelf octagon glass dining set wing back chairs enter tainment center household

NOVI MUST SELL BY AUG 15TH! Amer can Drew bedroom set \$500 Coffee table 2 end tables whitewashed \$550 Desk char 1/2 lamps pic tures accessories (248) 344 8941

NOVI Moving Thur Thur Sat 9 5 24015 Glen Ridge S of 0 E of Meadowbrook Desks patio kitchen & much more!

OAKLAND TWP Huge Moving Sale 777 Brantford Rd N off Orion 2 mi W of Rochester Thurs Sat 9am 3pm

PALMER WOODS Aug 9 9am 4pm 19495 Atton N of 7 Mi W of Woodward

PLYMOUTH Aug 7 9th 9 4 9200 Mayflower W of Sheldon S Ann Arbor rd Appliances futon/bunk bed sofa bed piano and much more 734 459 6344

REDFORD You name it we got it! 8/7 8/10 & 8/14 8/17 10 6 9004 Rockland between Beech & Inkster Everything must go!

ROCHESTER HILLS Vintage Moving Sale china antiques entertainment center boys bedroom freezer Walk Wheel couches and jewelry 9 5pm Fri & Sat 152 Bowdoin Hill

ROCHESTER Aug 14 16th 9 6 1082 Pointe Place Court near Rochester Rd Off Parkdale Sports gardening computer motorcycle lots of household stuff

SOUTHFIELD Fri Aug 8 Sun 10th 9am 4pm 29522 Rock Creek Rd between Southfield & Evergreen Swingset toys b wheels furniture kitchen ware lots of misc

SOUTHFIELD Aug 8 9th 9 5 21670 Rougewood btwn 8&9 W of Beechda y furniture tools fo fu clothes and much more

TROY Furniture de apery new eather bags shoes s k dresses (248) 287 9525

TROY Garage/Moving Sale Aug 8 9 4 Moto cycle Nordictrack office suppl s exercise equip skis toys drafting table & much more 1650 Lexington

WESTLAND 7323 Cavell Warren & Inkster 6 antily sale Fri Sat & Sun 9 5pm Computer linens & more

Beautiful 5 piece Thomasville bedroom set \$475 and other items 248 999 9825

BIRMINGHAM Moving sale 8 8 & 9 8 4 2 days only everything must go Furniture exercise equipment artwork dishes and so on So much to see you want want to miss it! 1355 Shipman 14 Mile & Southfield area

Household Goods

4 Poster Rice beds (mahogany) Bedroom dressers chests & night stands Baker Co mahogany china cabinets & server/chests Mahogany dining room tables (some with banded edge) Large & small drop leaf dining room chairs (Chippendale Duncan Phyfe more!) Oil paintings camelback sofas loveseats lamps queen size sleigh bed conference table Queen Anne & Chippendale desks sofa table Too much to list!

Mahogany Interiors 505 South Washington Royal Oak (248) 546 4110

ABSOLUTE LOWEST PRICE Brand Name Mattress Sets in plastic w/warranty All sizes available 734 231 6622

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BEAUTIFUL MAHOGANY Chippendale carved table and 6 chairs \$3950 60 Ft Bubble glass china cabinet King four poster carved mahogany bed \$1450 00 King sleigh 5 pc bedroom set French carved armore Hand painted fru & flowers country french round table 4 chairs Conselle Tables Bombay Chest Tiffany style lamps Windows and lots more AR Interiors 607 S Washington Ave Downtown Royal Oak Open 7 days 248 582 9646

BEDROOM (blonde) SET King size bed & frame dresser large mirror 2 night stands \$250 Twn bed oak headboard and frame \$50 Queen bed walnut headboard & frame \$75 (734) 785 7809

Bedroom Set 5 pc light ash wood queen brass bed \$900 248 642 5422

BEDROOM SET twin white laminate Couch 2 wingback chairs 734 397 2948

BEDROOM SET Girls light almond sleigh twin bed with 5 drawer armore w/mirror and mattresses chest w/ hutch & chair \$400 (248) 788 4196

BEDROOM A cherry 9 pc sleigh set all hardwood/dove tailed & felt line drawers New in box Cost \$6500 must sell \$1950 248 939 0013

Brown Natuzzi microb fer sectional w/cha se 2 yrs like new \$2000 (248) 855 5116

CHAIRS 2 green velvet swivel rockers w/ottomans \$750both 734 981 3220

CHILD CRAFT solid oak cr b w th mattress Exc cond \$175 248 761 3477

COUCHES ful s ze Tradtional Queen Annes legs Exc cond \$550 ea 734 394 1718

DINETTE SET 48 round wal nut form ca table w lazy Susan & 4 chairs good cond \$200 (248)349 6016

DINING ROOM cherry solid wood double pedestal table w/leaves lighted hutch &



# Automotive

## Household Goods (7160)

**DINING TABLE** oak w/ 6 chairs (oak w/cream/beige fabric) \$700/best 248 669 2824

**ENTERTAINMENT CENTER** Timberlake solid cherry 24 x 38 x 66 \$500 248 318 0823

**Entertainment Center** 4 pc traditional 2 cabinets 80 tall 34 wide 14 deep 2 curved end pc 80 tall 14 wide 14 deep lighted upper shelves drawer & doors on lower half New \$2500 Like new must sell \$500 (248) 646 9038

## FURNITURE HOUSEWARES QUALITY CLOTHING (248) 473 8561

**GORGEOUS Henderson** 89 sofa & 2 barrel chairs classic cal style white/wal check clean \$400 + lovely french impressionist oil painting horse paddock \$450 New (248) 305 8031

**HIDE A BED** slept on twice very good cond \$350 or best offer (248) 370 9189

## Living room tapestry sofa 2 chairs accessories antique dresser kitchen cabinets appliances 734 454 0380

## MATTRESS & BOX SET Queen pillow top New in plastic Only \$145 Can deliver 248 470 3350

## MATTRESS & BOX SET Queen pillow top New w/warranty Only \$160 Can deliver 248 470 3350

## MATTRESS & BOX SET Full pillow top Brand new in plastic Only \$125 Can deliver 248 470 3350

## MATTRESS & BOX SET King pillow top New w/warranty Only \$225 Can deliver 248 470 3350

## MOVING Must Sell! All furniture new/like new Solid oak dining table w/6 chairs con putter cabinet black granite round table & 4 chairs Bernhard mahogany end table glass tables Refrigerators \$600 & \$250 248 334 2860

## Roll top desk traditional paid \$1165 asking \$375 Enter tainment center traditional paid \$675 asking \$175 248 477 9011

## SOFA 7 contemporary rose & cream stripes like new \$275 After 4pm (734) 459 9611

## SOLID OAK Dining table 6 high back chairs \$800 Couch 2 chairs coffee table \$400 All exc cond 248 887 5301

## WASHER/DRYER \$440 Leather sofa chair ottoman \$2500 Bookcase & desk \$240 Misc furn 248 476 8998 www.klxnks.com/cgi.so

## Appliances (7160)

**Air Conditioner window** 10 000 BTU Very good condition \$75 248 548 8351

**HOTPOINT REFRIGERATOR** 17 cu ft White \$100 248 489 2358

## KENMORE SIDE by side fridge \$500 (black) GE smooth top range with microwave hood \$550 (black) Kenmore washer & dryer \$400 (almond) (734) 641 6902

## KITCHEN AID DISHWASHER GE stove electric 27 both n exc cond (emerald green) Both \$1500/best 248 474 9059

## Appliances (7160)

**REFRIGERATOR/Freezer** 2 yrs blk Maytag \$1000 Washer & electric dryer white Maytag 3 yrs old \$500 (734) 451 1509

**STAINLESS STEEL GE** refrig \$750 GE electric smooth top range \$925 \$1 500/both Like new 734 451 1556

**STOVE REFRIGERATOR & MICROWAVE** \$300/all (734) 425 7928

**Three Air Conditioners** sizes range from 4 000 23 000 BTU 1 casement sliding window \$50 \$150 (313) 561 7488

## Pools Spas & Hot Tubs (7190)

**HOT TUB** Brand new 7 per son 44 jets dual 5 hp pump warranty cover retail \$7500 Sell \$4350 313 384 3179

## RAINBOW ABOVE GROUND 12 X 24 6 Walk around deck \$7000 (734) 422 7439

## Fitness/Exercise Equipment (7215)

**Bally Health Club** Premiere Plus Membership Nationwide \$1500 248 855 5116

**NORDIC TRACK** Cross Country Ski Exerciser Pro Model \$125/Best 248 666 4301

## PRO FORM 685QF TREAD MILL Fold up platform Electronic displays Like new \$450 (248) 655 5116

## Building Materials (7220)

**Windows** interior vinyl sided slider (3 sizes) bathroom sink soaker hoses & misc 734 595 0822

## Business & Office Equipment (7240)

**BEAUTY SALON EQUIP** Fully equipped 6 Stations every thing must go 248 471 6100 or 734 261 4361

## Cameras & Supplies (7280)

**D Link 2 4 GHZ wireless internet Camera DCS 1000W** New in box 2 at \$200/ea (248) 338 3877

## Commercial/Industrial Machinery For Sale (7310)

**ALLIANT MILL 1985** readouts and power feed Recent updates Very good cond \$4 500/firm (734) 469 2447 Ask for Mark

## SMALL FAB SHOP LIQUIDATING Press brake (Nagara) Mts ubush Hi Low Miller Welders additional accessories and equipment (313) 535 4176

## Electronics Audio & Video (7340)

**BIG SCREEN TV 42** Mitsubishi (1984) Oak cabi net with casters good cond Cal 248 626 4433

## A word to the w/se when looking for a grea de check the Observer & Eccentric Classifieds!

## U-Picks (7410)

**HOME GROWN SWEET CORN U PICK BEANS** Rowe s Produce 10570 Martz Ypsanti (734)482 8538 Call for p ck ng cordit ons

## Hospital/Medical Equipment (7480)

**HOSPITAL BED** Good cond \$300 Wheel chair like new \$150 313 563 6478

## Jewelry (7470)

**Engagement/Wedding** Band ring set 1 5k + Marqu s dia mond/platinum New (papers) Cost \$8000+ Fiance cancer Make offer 734 516 3333

## Lawn Garden & Snow Equipment (7480)

**BILLYGOAT 2001 24 BUSH CUTTER** 8 HP B & S like new \$1375 (586) 752 4152

## CRAFTSMAN LAWN TRACTOR 15.5 HP automatic 42 inch blade Lightly used \$80 734 420 4031

## RIDING LAWN TRACTOR MTD 14.5 hp brand new 42 in mulcher moving deck runs great \$325 248 723 8836

## TRAILER all new electric tres bearings reinforced tongue like new treated wood \$350 (784) 421 7872

## TROYBILT 36 lawn tractor 12 hp lawn sweeper trailer plow \$780 SOLD

## Misc. For Sale (7500)

**LADDERS FOR SALE** (2) 40 ft (2) 4 piece sectionals (1) 12ft step \$13 937 9036

## Oak Table w/4 chairs \$150 Sony 5 disc CD changer \$90 Ryan Weed Wacker \$80 Snowblower \$10 Push lawn mower \$25 248 625 5092

## PARK VIEW MEMORIAL 2 Plots resurrection garden section 672 \$1000/both 734 454 9541

## PLYMOUTH HUGE TOOL SALE Aug 7 9th 9 6 6435 Napier Rd Power tools hand too s electric cal plumbing carpentry and etc

## PORTABLE CLOSETS (2) for movng or storage Used 1x \$6 each (248) 473 9803

## UMBRELLA TABLE & 6 chairs Ornate aluminum vdrule \$950 248 647 6546

## UTILITY Trailer 4 x8 tint bed good tres good cond on \$450 248 625 7640

## WOOD SWING SET Ft st \$200 takes 248 782 3572

## BALDWIN PIANO Spinnet wa nut exc cond great tone \$1200 248 879 6812

## Grand Piano 5 7 hand made Sohmer walnut exc on \$5000/best 734 553 0874

## PEARL DRUM SET cym bails stands & cases nclud ed Like new \$650 o best offer (734) 459 4579

## Musical Instruments (7610)

**PIANO BLACK BABY GRAND** See Everyth ng Goes ad sec tion 710 todays paper

**PIANO** Story & Clark console w/bench 25 yrs old exc cond \$1500/best 313 565 8460

## STEINWAY GRAND piano model L ebony f n sh excel lent cond \$24 000 (313) 835 2540

## VIOLA PACKAGE includes 15 1/2 inch Meisel Viola Bow and Case \$2400 734 420 4031

## Sporting Goods (7520)

**OLYMPIC WEIGHT SET** Includes adjustable Olympic bench with leg extension & rack \$150 734 844 1874

## POOL TABLES All Slate ant que ultra modern brn size Buy direct from factory 248 399 7255E 248 547 3980

## RECURBMENT Lightn ng P 38 low miles loaded Must Sell! \$2400 734 591 9218

## Tools (7525)

**SHOP CLOSING** Must sell! 16 in jointer \$400 18 in planer Powermatic w/sharpening system & dust collector \$4500 8 hp 60 gal stand up air compressor \$350 Whole shop cyclone dust collector \$400 Hazardous ocaton exhaust fan 16 in diameter blade \$250 248 891 4824

## Cats (7830)

**KITTENS** Sweet short haired black tabbys 11 wks old first shots \$20 734 762 5099

## There is something for everyone in our Classifieds!

## Dogs (7840)

**ABANDONED** Healthy young female dog Mixed American Staffordshire Terrier & Shar Pei Loves people & dogs No cats Had shots & heart worm medicine 734 421 5895

## BEAGLE PUPS AKC 3 males 8 wks shots wormed \$250 (734) 422 4031

## BORDER COLLIE PUPS Red & White smooth and rough coated AKC & ABC reg \$400 734 697 7382

## CHIHUAHUAS PUPS CKC reg istered 1st shots & worming Carla 734 587 7201

## COLLIE PUPPIES AKC Registered sable/white 2 males \$350 2 females \$400 (616) 292 1537 or (734) 844 8472

## GERMAN SHEPHERD PUPS AKC Black/Silver Adnan ML Guaranteed (517) 265 2453

## JACK RUSSELL pups \$225 \$300 Adults \$100 200 Shots wormed tails (517)423 3151

## MALTESE PUPPIES 10 weeks old (248) 437 8505

## MIXED BREED 1 1/2 Years old female Great family dog Crate trained and loves chil dren Housebroken To a good home (734) 320 2132

## SHELTIE PUPS Beautiful sable/white 4 males 2 females Vet checked AKC Ready for new homes 734 644 9356

## SIBERIAN HUSKY beautiful petite friendly 7 yr old female (spayed) Needs fenced yard Outside dog 248 888 0604

## WHEATON TERRIER 5 Yrs old Does not shed great family dog Crate trained and housebroken To a good home (734) 320 2132

## YORKIE PUPPIES 10 weeks old (248) 437 8805

## Household Pets-Other (7880)

**FERRETS** (1 male 1 female) Had shots \$100 w/cage & accessories (734) 462 6030

## Lost & Found-Pets (7930)

**FOUND DOG** German Shepherd ML neutered male gray/black/tan Approx 100 lbs height approx 30 at shoulder Very friendly & obe dient Near Island Lake State Park Off Silver Lake Rd btwn Dixboro & Kent Lake Rds in Lyon Twp 248 446 5020

## FOUND IN FARMINGTON Black/white neutered male cat extremely friendly If owner not found needs home 248 478 5400

## 1000-\$750 Automotive Personal Vehicles

## Boats & Motors (8020)

**BAJA 1988 17 150 hp merc outboard eagle trailer exc cond \$5500 734 349 9537**

## RAYLINER 1987 16 FT Bowrider 2 3 Capri engine with 4 cyl eng trailer included \$3000 or best 734 591 6292

## CATALINA 27 Sailboat roller board gas engine perfect \$10 000 (313) 861 8743

## CHRYSLER 15ft Mtnreer sailboat w/trailer good cond \$500 (248)349 3444

## CHRYSLER 1975 14 ft Tn Haul 55 hp w/trailer \$1400/best Ask for Dan T (734) 422 7540

## DONZI 1977 Ski Sporter 350 Chevy E Z loader trailer gared \$8000 248 553 4597

## FOUR WINNS 1997 Horizon RX 18 1/0 V6 190 hp like new low hrs Trailer + extras \$10 900 248 363 2915

## FOUR WINNS 325 EXP 1992 7/350 V dr ves full electron cs \$52 900 734 397 5080

## FOURWINNS 1990 HORIZON 180 bow rider w/trailer 5 0LV8 OMC Cobra new am/fm cover tres good cond \$5400 248 433 9990

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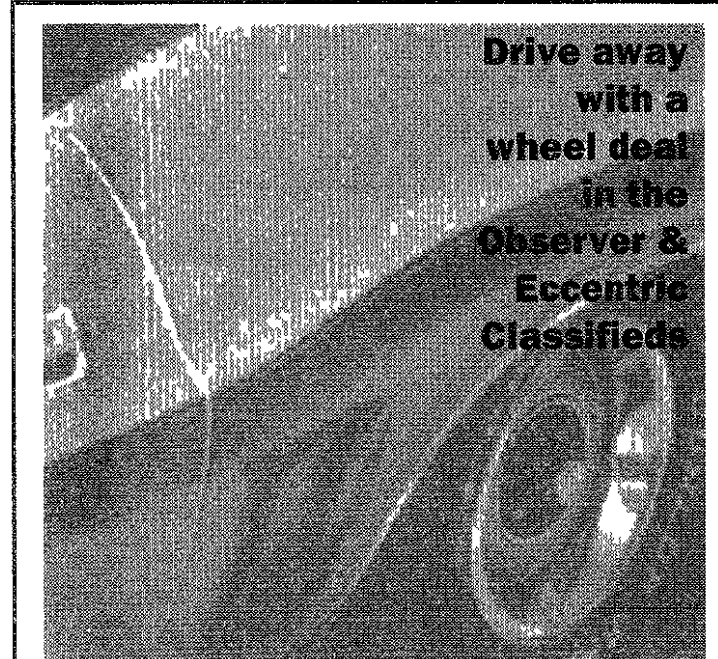
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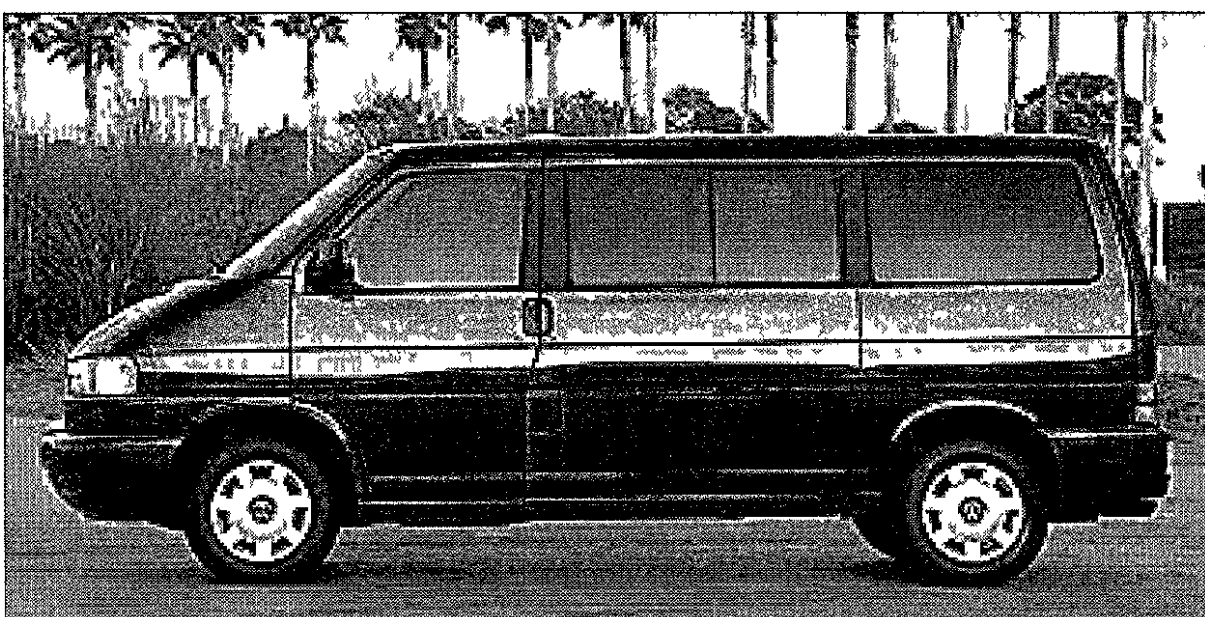
BY DALE BUSS

The Volkswagen EuroVan MV is tall and spacious, offers tremendous views out the front window and - with features such as a fold-down table, a sliding side window and a truck-like configuration - seems refreshingly quirky to North American consumers who have grown used to the cookie-cutter formula that first was popularized two decades ago by Chrysler's minivans.

But there's a reason that formula is so widespread, and by violating it, the 2003 EuroVan simply goes too far afield from what a minivan needs to be. Many aspects of this vehicle, especially interior features, run so counter to the segment mainstream that you wonder how Volkswagen could have believed it was competing in the same market. And in some other ways, the EuroVan's basic functionality simply misses the mark. It's a vehicle that you really want to love but doesn't offer enough in return for the affection.

Let's start with the good stuff. With 200 cubic feet of passenger space, in large part because of its unusually tall roof, EuroVan excels in providing interior room for cargo-hauling or passenger transportation. Moreover, its resolute boxiness enhances the utility of all of that interior space. In fact, everything about this vehicle seems maximized for regarding it as a small bus or delivery van (the purpose for which it was originally designed for the European market). That includes the fact that the non-adjustable steering wheel is positioned very vertically, as it might be in a bus, and that with a transversely mounted engine, the driver and front passenger have almost no consciousness of there being a front end on the EuroVan.

Functionally, a number of things work very well on the EuroVan. There is adequate power for mid-



EuroVan excels in providing interior room for cargo-hauling or passenger transportation.

range needs, such as changing lanes, in the 201-horsepower, V6 engine, and the vehicle is reasonably quiet. At 17 mpg in the city and 20 mpg on the highway, EuroVan's gas mileage is competitive with other minivans. Some aspects of the design illustrate the deftness of German engineering, such as the easily sliding side passenger door, the sliding windows that easily open wide on each side of the vehicle and the pop-out keys that VW has designed into its fobs.

EuroVan also sports a number of unique features that make it stand out in any crowd. In the MV version that I drove, for example, the second row of two bucket seats faces backward, essentially creating a conversation pit as with the third-row bench seat across from them. This can be very handy, especially when rear passengers want to utilize the handy table that folds down from the driver's-side wall. MV also offers a sturdy luggage shelf in the far rear. After tinkering with some of these amenities, I found myself thinking that the best way to fully enjoy EuroVan would be to turn it into more of a camper by adding the extra equipment that is optional for the MV version - a fold-down bed for two and a pup-up roof. Or, you actually can order an extended-length camper conversion that brings in a stove, sink, furnace and refrigerator.

For as an everyday vehicle, it's hard to ignore the

many frustrating aspects of EuroVan. It doesn't offer great acceleration, and you feel wary of cornering too fast because of the vehicle's high profile and body lean. It handles tiny bumps well, but larger ones bounce you around. There's only one sliding side door. And while the truck-like step-ups into the passenger compartment can be helpful, it's awkward to use them efficiently and still avoid bumping your head on the tops of the doors.

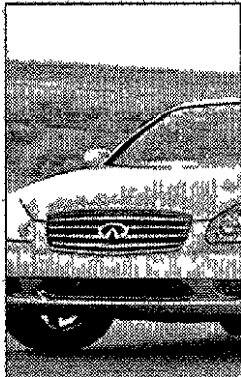
The steering wheel is fixed, making it seem too far to reach. The radio and climate controls are too far to reach, confusingly designed and labeled with tiny print. There's no intermittent-wiper setting that I could find. The low-mounted shift lever is awkward to use and inadequately labeled easily enough. Even the nifty idea of rear-facing the second row of seats has its downside. When all of the second- and third-row seats are in actual use, there can be an unseemly battle for leg room in the center space.

All of this may be reasons enough that Volkswagen has decided to stop offering the EuroVan after this model year. The company is taking a break from the van market in North America and reportedly coming back with a brand-new van offering in 2005. May it far exceed the legacy of the EuroVan.

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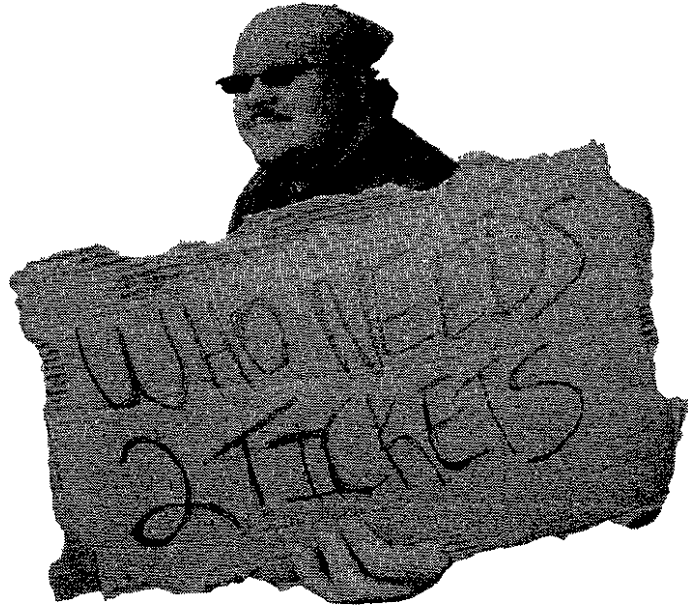
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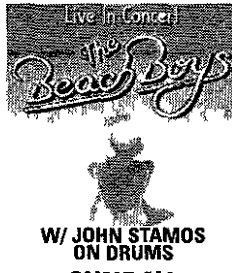


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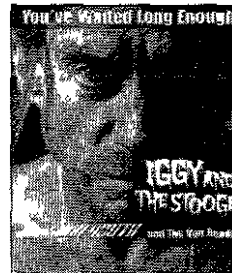
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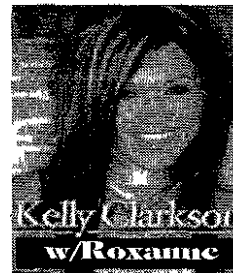
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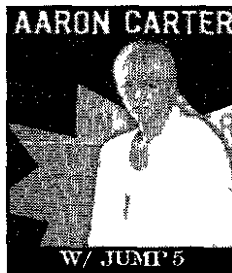
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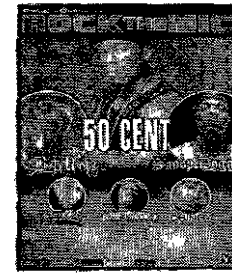
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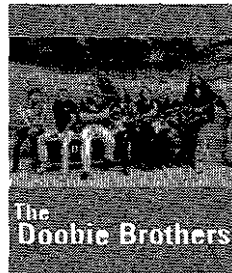
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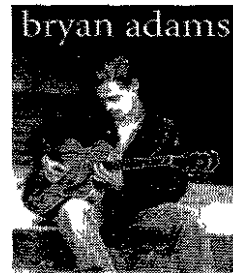
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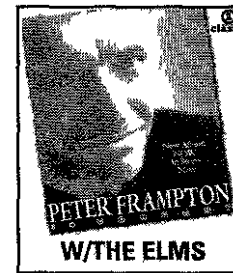
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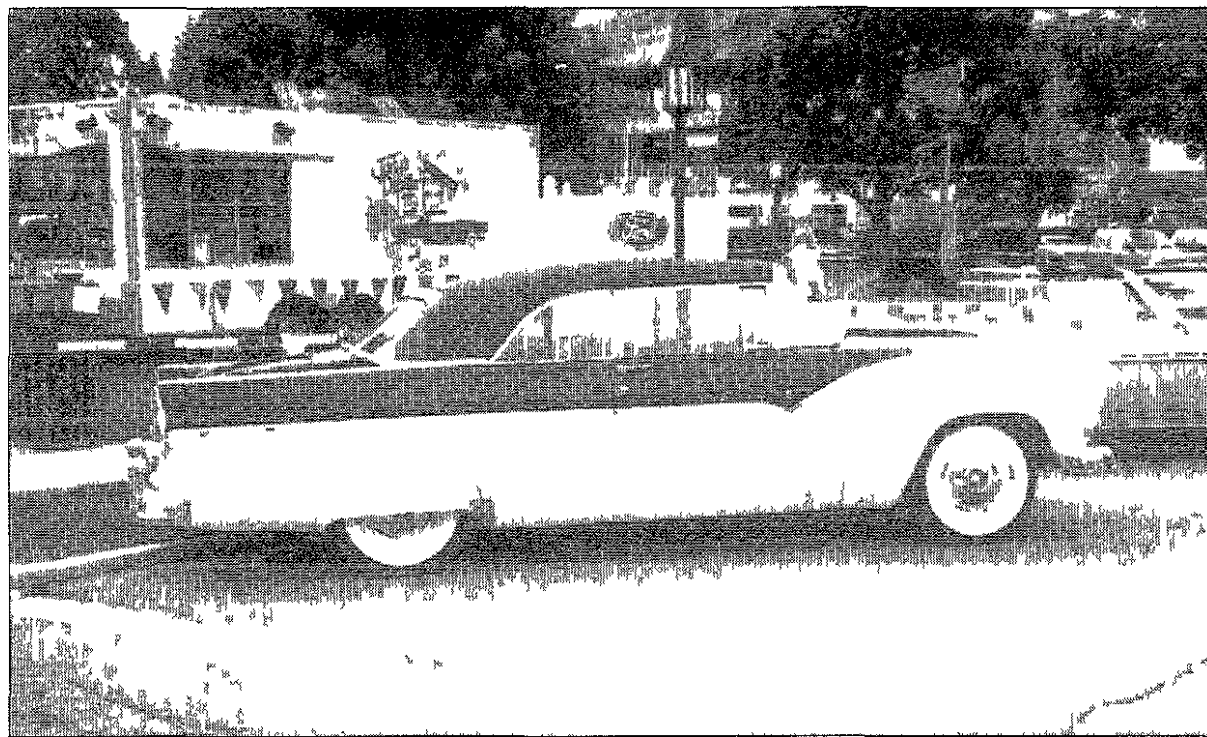


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A 1955 Ford Sunliner will be among the classic automobiles on display at Revvin' with Ford in downtown Birmingham

# Revvin' with Ford takes you back in history

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Don't just spin your wheels at the Woodward Dream Cruise, take a longer journey back into automotive history

That's what Ford Motor Company, which is currently celebrating its 100th anniversary, wants Cruise visitors to do this year

Their annual Revvin' with Ford event - an extravaganza of live entertainment, activities and car displays set up in a six-block area of downtown Birmingham - is taking automotive nostalgia back to the '20s

"Our theme is generations of sensations," said Theresa Junkunc, Revvin' event manager

Revvin' begins with a ticketed preview party and dinner to raise money for charity at 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15

On Saturday, the day of the Dream Cruise, all Revvin' venues are open to the public and are free of charge

The day begins in the morning with a pancake breakfast and culminates with an evening musical performance by Davy Jones of the Monkees. Similar performances, displays and activities for children run throughout the day

"There will be constant entertainment," said Junkunc. "It's really just a fun street festival that's very family-oriented."

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# 'American Wedding' is silly but surprising

## AMERICAN WEDDING

\*\*1/2 (out of four)

It's difficult to make a case for a film like *American Wedding*. You either enjoy gags where the main character is caught apparently having sex with his in-laws' dog, or you don't.

Until this week, I sided with the latter

camp. Therefore, no one was more surprised than I when I discovered that, in fact, I DO like sex-with-dogs jokes. I DO like gags in which a character is forced to eat poop. I like them, damn it, I like them! This revelation is not pleasant but here goes anyway. *American Wedding* made me laugh. This is particularly surprising, for I found the first installment, 1999's surprise

smash *American Pie*, underwhelming, dull and not nearly offensive enough to earn my begrudging respect.

It featured a gang of stupid characters doing stupid things like making sweet love to apple pies. Funny? No, just stupid. *American Wedding* details the marriage of neurotic Jim (Jason Biggs) to girlfriend Michelle (Alyson Hannigan), also known to fans as "The Band Camp Girl." I didn't see *American Pie 2*, so I missed the part when Michelle leaped from bit player to major character, but that's okay.

In fact, it's kind of refreshing. In the film's only poignant scene, the somewhat geeky Michelle explains her desire for a big wedding. "I've never walked in a room before and had everyone say 'ooh' and 'ahh'."

Her dreams of a Martha Stewart nirvana are obliterated when borderline psycho Stifler (Seann William Scott) demands to be invited so he can hit on Michelle's sister.

As I mentioned earlier, somebody eats poop in this movie, and I don't think I'm running anything by telling you that *American Pie* movies are always disgusting. In fact, you're probably nodding your head right now saying, "But of COURSE somebody eats poop."

But here's the shocker: the poop-eating is really, really funny.

Most of the gags hinge upon gung-ho Stifler, who has developed into something resembling a comedy icon. Falling somewhere between John Belushi and Homer



Extra Butter

Daniel Kraus

Simpson, Stifler is a surprisingly complex character who manages to display (don't laugh) depth while never giving up his most essential traits — cruelty and vulgarity.

One sequence has Stifler inadvertently walking into a gay bar. Pretty predictable stuff, right? Right. But just when you think the scene's kaput, Stifler gets his feelings hurt by being rejected by a gay guy. The emotion is not clearly expressed, but you can see it in Stifler's sparkly, malicious eyes. He retaliates by engaging the man in a dance-off, from which each comes to respect the other. It's funny and unexpected.

None of this erases the fact that *American Wedding* is a disconnected series of vignettes, each one created only to arrive at a lewd, irrelevant punchline (see the sex-with-dogs bit).

The incoherent and inconsequential plot is full of unwarranted hairpin turns and several of the characters are given nothing — and I mean NOTHING — to do or say, including the lovely bride herself.

Thankfully, we are only asked to watch *American Wedding* as we might watch an actual wedding, quietly observing people we don't know doing things we don't understand.

As with a real wedding, to have fun you must simply gloss over the confusion and hang on the hilarious highlights. Remember when the groom dropped the ring? Remember when the bride stuttered her vows? Remember when the best man ate the poop?

Ah, memories.

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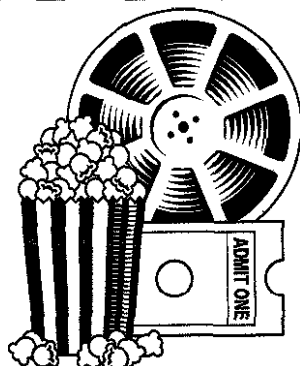
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# Big screen

## J.Lo and Ben can't help inconsistent, awful 'Gigli'

\* (One star out of four)

BY CHRISTY LEMIRE  
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*Gigli* — which spawned the phenomenon the gossip pages and celebrity magazines so lovingly refer to as *Bennifer* — is every bit as unwatchable as the deafening negative chatter would suggest.

The dialogue from writer-director Martin Brest is clunky, the film has serious tonal inconsistencies and at over two hours, it drags on way longer than it should.

Even making a little game of it, and trying to pinpoint the exact moment when Ben Affleck and Jennifer Lopez fell in love, stops being fun after a while.

But as pop star vehicles go, *Gigli* isn't as insufferable as, say, last year's Madonna-Guy Ritchie debacle, *Swept Away*. It's more on par with Mariah Carey's *Glitter* and Britney Spears' *Crossroads*.

If this were a movie starring two B-list actors, or two complete unknowns, it probably would have gone straight to video. After curious masochists and J Lo fans check it out the first weekend, *Gigli* probably will have a drop-off in audience that rivals *The Hulk* — 70 percent — then go to video. And with the release next spring of Kevin Smith's *Jersey Girl*, in which they also co-star, we can have this

little conversation all over again.

For now, we have Affleck starring as incompetent mob thug Larry Gigli.

(That's pronounced JEE-lee, which rhymes with really, a running joke that isn't particularly funny the first time.)

Gigli is asked to kidnap Brian (Justin Bartha), the mentally disabled younger brother of a federal prosecutor who's going after a New York mobster (Al Pacino).

His boss, however, thinks he's incapable of handling the assignment alone and sends in Ricki (Lopez), another contractor, to help him. Gigli is an anti-social lout. Ricki is beautiful, grounded, enlightened. She quotes Sun Tzu — who could blame Gigli for falling for her? (And whether you like her or not, Lopez does have an undeniable presence.)

But Ricki is also a lesbian — so it makes absolutely no sense when she falls for him, too, although they have all the obligatory banter and alleged sexual tension required of a romantic comedy.

Apparently, the only force that binds them is the fact that they both feel squeamish about cutting off Brian's thumb and mailing it to his prosecutor brother. Instead, they break into a morgue and saw the thumb off a corpse using a plastic knife, while Brian — who has an unexplained penchant for old-school rap — sings Sir Mix-a-Lot's *Baby Got Back*.

It's also incredibly misinformed to sug-

gest that Ricki can be "converted" to heterosexuality — that a man's love is all she really needed to allay any confusion about all that silly lesbian stuff.

So what you have here is *Rain Man* meets *Chasing Amy* — which is apropos, since the latter is a 1997 Kevin Smith movie in which Affleck also starred as a guy who falls for a lesbian.

Cameos from Pacino, Christopher Walken as a detective and Laima Kazan as Gigli's mother don't help, either.

Did they owe someone a favor? What are they doing here?

Pacino won his one and only Oscar with Brest for 1992's *Scent of a Woman*, but couldn't he have just thanked the director instead?

## CARS

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gives people the ability to escape and create chases, he notes. In movies, you get to watch someone drive a car the way you would like to but can't. No one gets hurt — you can do anything you want.

Oleksi recommends the Australian film, *The Cars That Eat Paris*, as well as *Death Race 2000* starring Sylvester Stallone.

*Death Race 2000* isn't a great movie for kids, but it's a lot of fun, he says. The old and the new *Italian Job* has great chases in them. They made the Mini Cooper famous then and now.

Gary Kfiazek, who also works at Thomas Video, says the first *Back to the Future* is a must-see for its use of the DeLorean, the car that allowed Michael J. Fox's character to travel back in time.

Kfiazek also loves the original 1974 *Gone in 60 Seconds* for its non-stop carnage and authentic crashes.

This version is grittier than the new one, he says. It's more realistic and deals with classic cars like Corvettes and GTOs. There's also a 40-minute chase scene

where they smash up around 90 cars and for 15-20 years they had the most car crashes than any movie.

One of his all-time favorites, he says, is *American Graffiti*.

It's definitely one of the top ones because they have drag racing in there. Harrison Ford is the main actor in it, and at the end he almost loses to a Volkswagen Beetle that's all souped up.

Kfiazek says every year when the Dream Cruise hits, car films begin flying off the shelves. He says people request everything from the new car movies like *Fast and Furious* to the classics like the Mel Gibson post-apocalyptic film *Mad Max*.

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## YOUTH THEATER

### Marquis Theatre

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*The Music Man* 7 p m Thursday Saturday Aug 7 9 4 p m Sunday Aug 10 \$5 Livonia Mall Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt use the G entrance (586) 344 7774

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### Ridgedale Players

Fourth annual summer Shakespeare Festival featuring *The Tempest* 8 p m Friday Saturday Aug 8 9 2 p m Sunday Aug 10 \$12 seniors \$11 on Sunday 205 W Long Lake Road between Crooks and Livernois Troy (248) 988 7049

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### Meadow Brook Music Festival

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7 30 p m Friday Aug 8 Bobby Lewis & The Crackerjack Band Children s concerts noon Wednesday Aug 13 elmo Thumm downtown Plymouth in Kellogg Park

### Farmington Hills

7 30 p m Thursday Aug 7 PRime vocal Jazz Farmington Community Chorus Aug 14 Heritage Park on Farmington

Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads Livonia 7 30 p m Thursday Aug 7 Brazil & Beyond assorted oldies & the Beatles Greenmead Historical Park Eight Mile Road at Newburgh (734) 466 2540

### Oakland Community College

The Fragment Band 7 30 p m Tuesday Aug 12 OCC Auburn Hills Campus 2900 Featherstone Road

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Motor City Brass Band 7 8 30 p m Wednesday Aug 14 Rich Eddy s Rockin s Oldies Band Aug 20 Burgh Historical Park Gazebo northeast corner of Civic Center Drive and Berg Road (248) 796 4600

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## FESTIVALS/FAIRS/EVENTS

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Aug 8 10 Friday preview 6 9 30 p m  
Saturday 10 a m to 7 p m Sunday 11 a m  
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except preview which is priced \$25 call  
(866) 468 3401 or visit  
www.ticketweb com For more informa  
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### Cpop Gallery

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Exhibition to Sept 28 at the museum  
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Sunday (734) 455 8940



# There's a lot of drama in pretty Niagara-on-the-Lake

BY HUGH GALLAGHER  
STAFF WRITER

Niagara on-the-Lake was a fashionable resort town long before the Shaw Festival took up residence. But the Shaw gives an extra reason for visiting what some travel writers have proclaimed as the prettiest town in Canada.

Niagara on-the-Lake sits at the tip of a peninsula on the south shore of Lake Ontario, where it meets with the Niagara River. The famous falls are just 20 minutes away by a winding parkway (which also has a beautiful biking/hiking path that runs from the lake to Fort Erie).

The town has a tourist-friendly downtown of restaurants, quality clothes and gift shops in a late 19th-century architecture. The homes date back to the 1700s. You can walk in beautiful neighborhoods, along the lake or along the wide and active river or visit the 18th-century Fort George, where Tories held off American forces. Fort Niagara is across the river on the American side.

This is also prime wine country. You can visit several vineyards or join a bike tour of the vineyards (sample carefully,



Kelli Fox as Olga, Tara Rosling as Masha and Caroline Cave as Irina in 'Three Sisters' now playing at the Shaw Festival

you'll be driving.) Accommodations are steep, especially at the Prince of Wales, Pillar and Post and Queen's Landing, all owned by the

same company. The centrally located Moffat's Inn is a charming place at less than half the price. The new Carriage Inn is also well-situated. Bed-and-breakfast lovers will find numerous options, some in posh mansions.

But the plays are the thing, and Shaw's mandate takes in a wide range of drama from the mid 19th century until the mid 20th century. Here's a sampling:

## MISALLIANCE

George Bernard Shaw's plays were often more polemic than drama. This year, director Neil Munro has decided to dispense with the notion that *Misalliance* is a drama and instead presents it as a lively, often quite funny debate.

There is a story of sorts — about a wealthy, and eccentric, manufacturer's family with a restless daughter, a couple of pilots who crash into the greenhouse and a socialistic young gunman. But this is all an excuse for discussions about relationships — men and women, parents and children, the social classes.

The set is a library decorated with Shaw text. There are even podiums with scripts that the actors "check" every once in awhile to emphasize that this is really about words — funny, insightful words. And it works.

The cast is uniformly top notch but especially notable are Lorne Kennedy as the philosophical father, Jane Perry as his rebellious daughter, Michael Shara as the rugged son, Johnny, David Leyshon as the effete suitor Bentley and Pete Treadwell as the gunman.

## SHAW FESTIVAL SCHEDULE

Season Continues to Sunday Nov 30  
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- Festival Theatre
  - Misalliance
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  - The Plough and the Stars
  - Afterplay
- Royal George Theatre
  - On the Twentieth Century
  - Blood Relations
  - Happy End

Forget the plot and listen to the word-play.

## THREE SISTERS

Anton Chekhov's *Three Sisters* can seem a little emotionally overwrought in our modern times. But the great Russian playwright was a sympathetic observer of complex human interactions. His plays are nuanced, his characters multidimensional and even his excess of emotion is never misplaced.

Director Jackie Maxwell gives into the emotional flow in her production of this play set in a regimental outpost far from the supposed glitter of Moscow. The sisters all long for the place their parents left when they were young and fail to fully appreciate the life around them.

The play is set across a three-year period when the sisters, regimental officers and the educated teachers of the community form their own little sub community. The talk is about the future when things will be better than they are.

Caroline Cave is a beautiful and emotionally fragile Irina, the youngest and most yearning of the sisters. Other fine performances are by Kevin Bundy as Vershinin, Jeff Meadows as the Baron, Ben Carlson as the sisters' brother, Andrei, and Fiona Byrne as his conniving wife.

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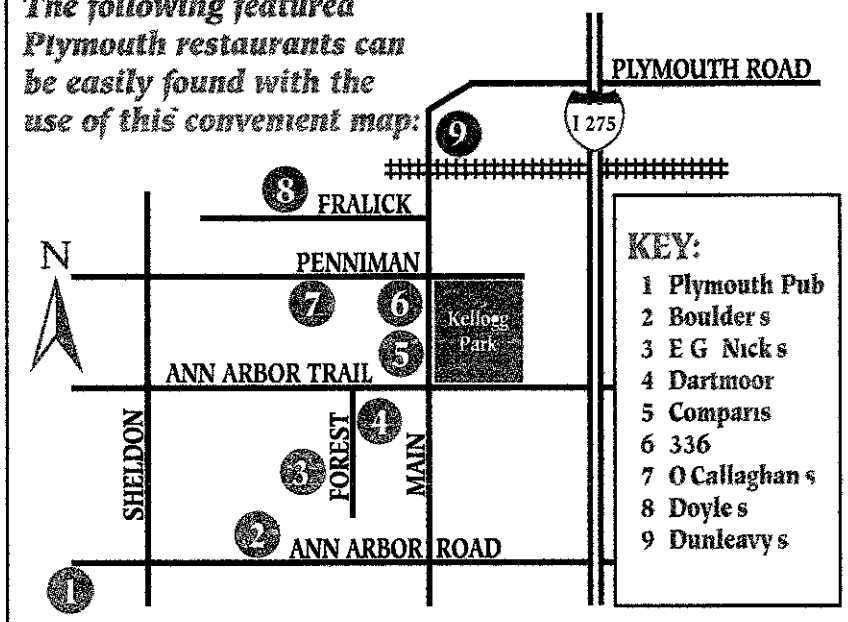


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## Cover story



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Spectators take in the sights of the Woodward Dream Cruise from curbside lawn chairs

# Car crazy

## Dream Cruise evolving, but still cruisin'

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

If somebody told you thousands of people would gather to watch a bunch of machines travel back and forth on a 16-mile strip of concrete, would you have believed him?

Probably not.

Then again, the Woodward Dream Cruise transcends tangible description.

The machines are something we're crazy about: automobiles. And the strip of concrete, not only runs through nine cities, but was the road cruised by thousands of young people in the '50s and '60s.

The particulars make a difference. The Dream Cruise, which is set for Saturday, Aug. 16, celebrates those particulars.

It goes back to the legend of Woodward Avenue," said Karen Hall, executive director, Woodward Dream Cruise, Inc., which coordinates participating city services and acts as a clear-

### DOING THE CRUISE

**What:** Ninth-annual Woodward Dream Cruise 16-mile cruise of classic cars

**When:** 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 16

**Where:** Woodward Avenue between Pontiac and Ferndale (through nine cities)

**Parking:** Municipal and private lots in nine host cities; rates vary, Michigan State Fairgrounds all day for \$5

**Transportation:** Free SMART shuttle buses, 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., along Woodward between the state fairgrounds (8 Mile) and downtown Pontiac

**Information:** For information call (888) 4WDC-196 or visit [www.woodwarddreamcruise.com](http://www.woodwarddreamcruise.com)

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Two months ago we were in Spain. We ate out each evening and shared a delicious bottle of wine with a three-course meal. Even tacking on a shared dessert sometimes, the total including service was about \$70.

Try to get that locally. Nearly impossible. Especially with a bottle of very good wine.



Eleanor Heald

Wine mark-ups in area restaurants need to be lowered.

We agree with wine writer Robert Parker, who wrote "Most restaurants treat wine as a luxury item, marking it up an exorbitant 200 to 500 percent, thereby effectively discouraging the consumption of wine. This practice of offering wines at huge mark-ups also serves to reinforce the mistaken notion that wine is only for

the elite and the super rich.

And here's another issue. As a wine drinker, you may very well be subsidizing food costs of other restaurant-goers who do not drink wine. If you like to drink wine when you eat out, you probably also buy wine in a retail outlet. You know what wine costs. We wonder, don't restaurateurs know that you know this?

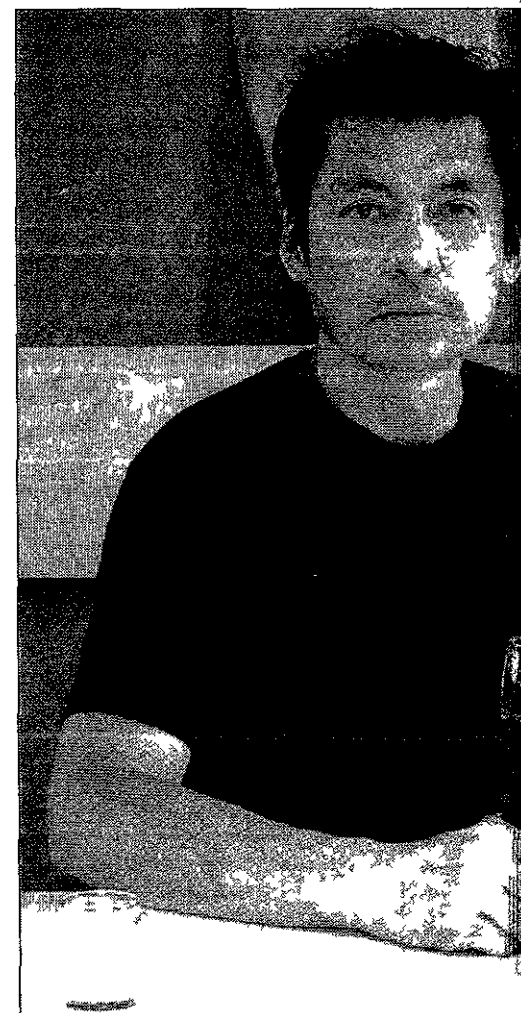
### OBJECTIONABLE PRICING

Wines by the glass offer the opportunity to taste a different wine with each course. Locally and nationally, a pricing norm for a 6-ounce-by-the-glass pour is the restaurateur's bottle cost. If the restaurant pays \$8 for the bottle, that's the cost of one glass of that wine. Three more glasses can be poured from the bottle. \$24 gravy.



LAWRENCE MCKEE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Mon Jin Lau, translated as 'House of 10,000 Jewels,' offers globally influenced Asian dishes in an elegant setting.



Marshall Chin presents highly sought after bottles of Valle Maya cabernet sauvignon (right)

### OUTRAGEOUS AND UNCONSCIONABLE PROFIT

The same bottle that the restaurant paid \$8 for would cost you \$12 max at retail. Shouldn't you object to paying \$8 for one glass? Sure, the surroundings are nice and service professional, but compare the cost of the wine to a nice frosty, cold glass of beer. Many people do that and opt for beer instead of wine.

Here's the restaurant retort: They don't know that they can sell the whole bottle once it's opened for a single glass. They need to ensure return of investment on the first pour. We say the restaurant's job is to select wine for the list, marked at prices that will sell and have informed personnel to sell it.

### WHAT'S REASONABLE?

At Mon Jin Lau (translated as House of 10,000 Jewels), owners



# Restaurant wine pricing?



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Wine including Henschke Shiraz (center), and Dalla

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on the list to \$19. Our pricing concept brings the cost to \$18. How far can you drive on \$1?

But Marshall's method makes expensive wines more reasonable. A \$20 cost becomes \$37 on the Mon Jin Lau list. Under doubling plus two, it would be \$42. It gets better for a \$40 bottle. With the Mon Jin Lau aggressive pricing, that bottle is \$67, not \$82.

Volume sales is the answer to it all," Marshall contended.

If diners make Mon Jin Lau a destination restaurant because of reasonable wine pricing, they fill our restaurant and eat our food. I run a streamlined program and I'm not regulated by corporate mentality. I'm a frequent diner at other restaurants, and if truth be told, I've drunk beer because I won't pay for wine that's outrageously overpriced.

## BEST DEALS

If a slow economy has taught us anything it's how to look for the best deal. When you choose a restaurant based on a feature you've read in Filter and are confronted with wine-list sticker shock, what should you do? Voice your objection to management.

**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#.

Marshall and Marco Chin don't have 10,000 wines on their list. Yet, especially when price is factored in, the 20 whites and reds available by the glass, 13 different half bottles and 120 everyday, and rare and reserve wines are jewels.

"Wine is actively promoted at Mon Jin Lau," Marshall said. "Over the years through much tasting, I've become a better judge of wines and have come to understand how wine pairs with food. I've gained more confidence and now our list has a greater and broader selection of wines. By the glass wines, which are about 65 percent of sales, are priced more aggressively to offset the higher cost of more expensive wines."

Marshall's pricing method betters what we believe is reasonable, which is twice the bottle cost plus \$2 for glassware and service.

As an example, if Marshall's cost is \$8, he multiplies by 1.5 and adds a numerical factor (generally seven) to bring the bottle cost

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# Clubs

## Sports, steaks, cigars

### The Press Box in Royal Oak is guy heaven

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

The Press Box, the latest addition to downtown Royal Oak's bar circuit, looks like a strong contender, at least as far as the guys are concerned.

There's a cigar humidor, a plentiful selection of high-end scotch, cuts of beef galore and 60 beer choices.

And, every chair and bar stool in the joint offers a view of at least one of the 20 or so HDTV sets.

Hooked up to a bevy of satellite sports stations and offering interactive games like NTN trivia, The Press Box looks poised to become sports fans' destination of choice on the Royal Oak scene.

'There's nothing like it in Royal Oak,' said Rick Fracassa, co-owner of The Press Box, which opened in mid-June at



JOHN STURDY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Walt Polleiner, Jay Collins and Chris Davis enjoy scotch and cigars while watching the game at The Press Box.

the corner of Fourth and Lafayette, replacing Justin & Jordyn Chophouse. 'This is for those hard-core sports fans out there.'

Come fall, Fracassa foresees throwing

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# PRESS BOX

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tailgate parties on Saturdays to reel in college football revelers

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This is when The Press Box — where owners say they want to attract families, couples and eventually the lunch crowd — starts changing on you

"We're labeled as a sports bar, but we're really a chameleon," said Matt Dean, general manager

During the off-season, movie nights



JOHN STURDY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A bartender does a behind the bar trick

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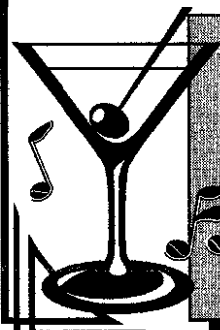
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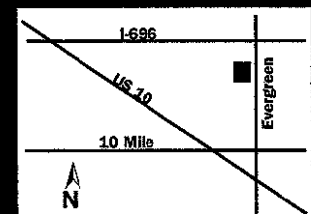


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# Music

## On the rise: Inohs Sivad and her soul-alternative music

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

Every few years there's a rumble in Detroit's music scene about an artist who's so unusual and talented that big things are expected to happen fast.

Right now that positive energy is all around singer/songwriter/guitarist Inohs Sivad.

Some compare Sivad to Tracy Chapman, a compliment indeed, but the sound is all her own. Sivad is a strong voice who sings songs of independence, inner and outer peace, love and strength to face life's challenges.

Her musical style is called SoulAlternative — a fusion of rock, pop, folk, jazz and electronica.

"Each style conveys a different mood," Sivad said. "I don't limit myself to writing or playing one style of music."

Music has helped the soulful singer heal. She picked up the guitar, almost on a whim, and playing it helped guide her through depression.

Sivad is as honest in her conversations as in her lyrics. In the song, *hmmmm*, about national tragedy, Sivad sings sadly about



Soul Alternative singer and songwriter Inohs Sivad is attracting a lot of attention recently since the release of her first CD titled 'Is'

her sorrow for today's children inheriting a violent world. Other songs are more positive, one song is about a woman who has the courage to embrace the world. Yet another is about the cruelty of a love that cannot be.

Her angelic voice is smooth and beautiful, and her singing comes from her heart.

Recently, Sivad spent time at RKS Studios in Pontiac where she recorded music and held jam sessions along with

other Detroit artists like spoken word musician Mathias Sivad's demeanor is proud and eloquent.

She sat quietly at the studio while her new CD, *IS*, played on a stereo. Dressed in earthy khaki tones, sporting short dreadlocks and stylish wire-rimmed glasses, Sivad said she writes because she has something to say.

"I sing a song in my heart with notes that rise and fall. And shine like the lilt of your voice in laughter. The chords and harmonies are rich and brown in depth — like your skin."

Those words are from Sivad's song titled *Inohs Song of You*.

"I write about things in my life, whether good or bad," Sivad said.

Her jazz-meets-funk-meets-world beats is mixed with a feel of Detroit Motown, but interest in her music should span past the city borders.

"It's her vocal quality, the engineering quality and the quality of the music that attracted us," said George Case, president of the Record Exchange stores. "She's able to form a unique relationship with the listener, her audience, so that listening to her becomes a personal experience. Her music

### INOHS SIVAD

**When:** 9 p.m. Friday Aug. 8

**Where:** Club Tiffany's, 440 Clinton St. downtown Detroit

**Admission:** \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Call (313) 962-4894.

**To buy the Inohs Sivad CD titled, 'IS', visit:** [www.inohssivad.com](http://www.inohssivad.com) or at any Record Exchange store - 1203 S University, Ann Arbor, 149 W Nine Mile Road, Ferndale, 26045 Greenfield Road, Southfield.

is very warm and fulfilling, not sappy."

Artist Mathias opens *IS* with a strong spoken word performance and describes Sivad in a refreshing light. She is a woman who is not self-loathing, and is actually smart enough to like herself. Her spiritual beliefs and genuine love for life itself mixed with her wide-range, strong voice makes for a smart and addicting CD.

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# The Boss' sister steps out into the spotlight at Cranbrook

STORIES BY NICOLE STAFFORD | STAFF WRITER

Can't make the Boss' upcoming Detroit concert?

Consider making a date with the rock 'n roll icon's sister at Cranbrook Art Museum. Pamela Springsteen, a professional photographer, plans to visit the Bloomfield Hills museum to talk about images she shot to promote her brother's album, *The Ghost of Tom Joad*.

The lecture, a ticketed event with limited seating, is slated for Tuesday, Aug. 12.

Springsteen's photography is prominently featured in Cranbrook's *Springsteen - Troubadour of the Highway*, a multimedia exhibit about the Boss' use of road and car images. The exhibit continues through Sunday, Aug. 31.

Pamela Springsteen has taken photographs for *Creem*, *Spin* and *Musician* magazines and currently resides in Los Angeles.

## PAMELA SPRINGSTEEN

**What:** Lecture by Bruce Springsteen's sister, Pamela Springsteen, whose photography is featured in the exhibit *Springsteen - Troubadour of the Highway*.

**When:** 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12  
Where: Cranbrook Art Museum, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills.

**Tickets:** Advance only \$35, seating is limited. Call (877) GO CRANBROOK or (877) 462-7262 or visit [www.cranbrookart.edu](http://www.cranbrookart.edu).



PHOTO BY PAMELA SPRINGSTEEN

Photographer Pam Springsteen shot this image to promote her brother Bruce Springsteen's album 'The Ghost of Tom Joad.'

## Singer's songs and lyrics are the inspiration for 'Tom Joad' photos

Pamela Springsteen spoke exclusively with *Filter* about her 'Ghost of Tom Joad' work, the photo exhibit, her career and growing up with the Boss.

**Filter:** What was the story you wanted to tell with your photography for *The Ghost of Tom Joad*?

**Springsteen:** I wanted to do justice to the song and the lyrics. There wasn't a particular message that I wanted to get across. I really listened to the lyrics over and over again and allowed whatever images that came to me to come into my mind. I did do a lot of prep, especially in old photography books, to try to find images that I thought fit well with the music.

**F:** How important is imagery to music?

**S:** It's maybe why MTV took off.

**F:** Could you describe the process you and your brother went through to get *The Ghost of Tom Joad* photographs?

**S:** He called me up and said he had a new album out and wanted to take some pictures. So we got in the car and drove out. That was really fun because normally I have a whole bunch of people with me on a shoot. With Bruce, it's just me and him.

We drove out into the desert. We shot about 10 rolls. We were probably out there for about an hour before we lost the light.

**F:** What do you think cars and roadways symbolize?

**S:** They symbolize freedom. We were raised — I mean my father loved to drive. He loved putting everybody in the car and driving. My father always did have a romantic thing about cars. He was a big dreamer.

**F:** How did you become a photographer?

**S:** I was in my early 20s when I became interested. I was dating a photographer and thought, 'Wow, that looks fun,' so I bought a camera and it really clicked with me. I looked for a job as an assistant, I got hired and I had great training. And from there, I poured everything into photography. I was just obsessed with it.

**F:** How did your brother respond to you becoming a photographer?

**S:** I think he loved it. He liked my pictures. He's also interested in photography, and he's quite excellent at it. It's really given us something that we can share, and that's nice.

**F:** What's it like being Bruce Springsteen's sister?

**S:** He's an amazing brother, so I feel fortunate. As far as the celebrity factor goes, it's inspirational to see someone in your family live out their dream. I'm really proud of him.

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# Family fun Flame-throwing shows and carnivals ... what more does a Dream Cruise kid need?

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

A child's patience won't last forever while he or she watches cars slowly pass during the Woodward Dream Cruise.

So what's a bored kid to do?

The 16-mile Dream Cruise stretch is all about fun, and the kids haven't been left out. The choices span from sock hops to soda shoppes to a mingle with The Ghoul.

OK, The Ghoul is probably more for parents, but mom and dad can share stories of his popularity with little ones.

All events are on Saturday unless noted otherwise.

## BIRMINGHAM

9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Ford fun activities under the tent next to Sham Park, just west of Woodward and south of Maple Road off Pierce Street. It begins with a children's charity pancake breakfast. Throughout the day, Ford presents classic car displays, celebrity appearances and live entertainment.

## BERKLEY

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Kids' Inflatable Games. All-day sidewalk sales throughout the Berkley business district on 12 Mile Road, west of Woodward in downtown Berkley.

## FERNDALE

Friday 7:30-9 p.m. Tri-Community Coalition Street Dance. Kids can watch or participate.

Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to midnight. Mid-American Carnival.

Saturday, 7 p.m. K-9 demo on East Nine Mile near the police station.

Saturday, 8 p.m. Flame Throwing Contest on East Nine Mile near the police station.

## HUNTINGTON WOODS

Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The city celebrates the birth of the Huntington Woods on Woodward Avenue. See the cars grandpa drove when Woodward was a dirt road.

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## SHAW

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## ON THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

This is a musical version of the 1930s Hecht-MacArthur play and movie (that starred John Barrymore and Carole Lombard).

The story is a theatrical version of *The Front Page*. In this version, an egotistical, grandiose Broadway producer tries to lure his former stage star (and lover) from the silver screen. He has just 16 hours to do it as the great train The 20th Century rolls from Chicago to New York.

The Betty Comden/Adolph Green book and lyrics are supported by a Cy Coleman score.

The songs are serviceable, some of the melodies are beautiful, but nothing is memorable outside of the context of the play. The play is fun but thin, in an art deco setting.

The leads, Gary Krawford as Oscar Jaffee and Patty Jamison as Lily Garland, are fine, but the real treats here are in the smaller roles, especially Oscar's two henchmen, Patrick R. Brown as Owen O'Malley and William Vickers as wise guy Oliver Webb.

## BLOOD RELATIONS

The story of Lizzie Borden has been told many times in many media. Though acquitted of killing her stepmother and father with an axe, she is forever immortalized in childish doggerel: Lizzie Borden took an axe/Gave her mother 40 whacks/When the job was nicely done/She gave her father 41.

Sharon Pollock's *Blood Relations* is a disturbing, insightful exploration of the story from an odd perspective. The play begins 10 years after the acquittal. Lizzie is involved in a lesbian relationship with an actress, who prods her to tell the story and answer the questions — did she, could she?

Lizzie has the actress re-enact the events leading to the murder and play her part, while Lizzie plays the sympathetic Irish maid. We get to see the story through a prism and get a sense of the oppression many intelligent young women felt in the late 1890s.

The acting is excellent. Laurie Paton plays the actress playing Lizzie as a woman on the verge of a breakdown. Jane Perry plays Lizzie as a woman removed from her emotions — wistful, sad and keenly aware. Perry is an exceptional young actress.

Director Eda Holmes keeps this tension between the two Lizzies taut and the emotions convincing.

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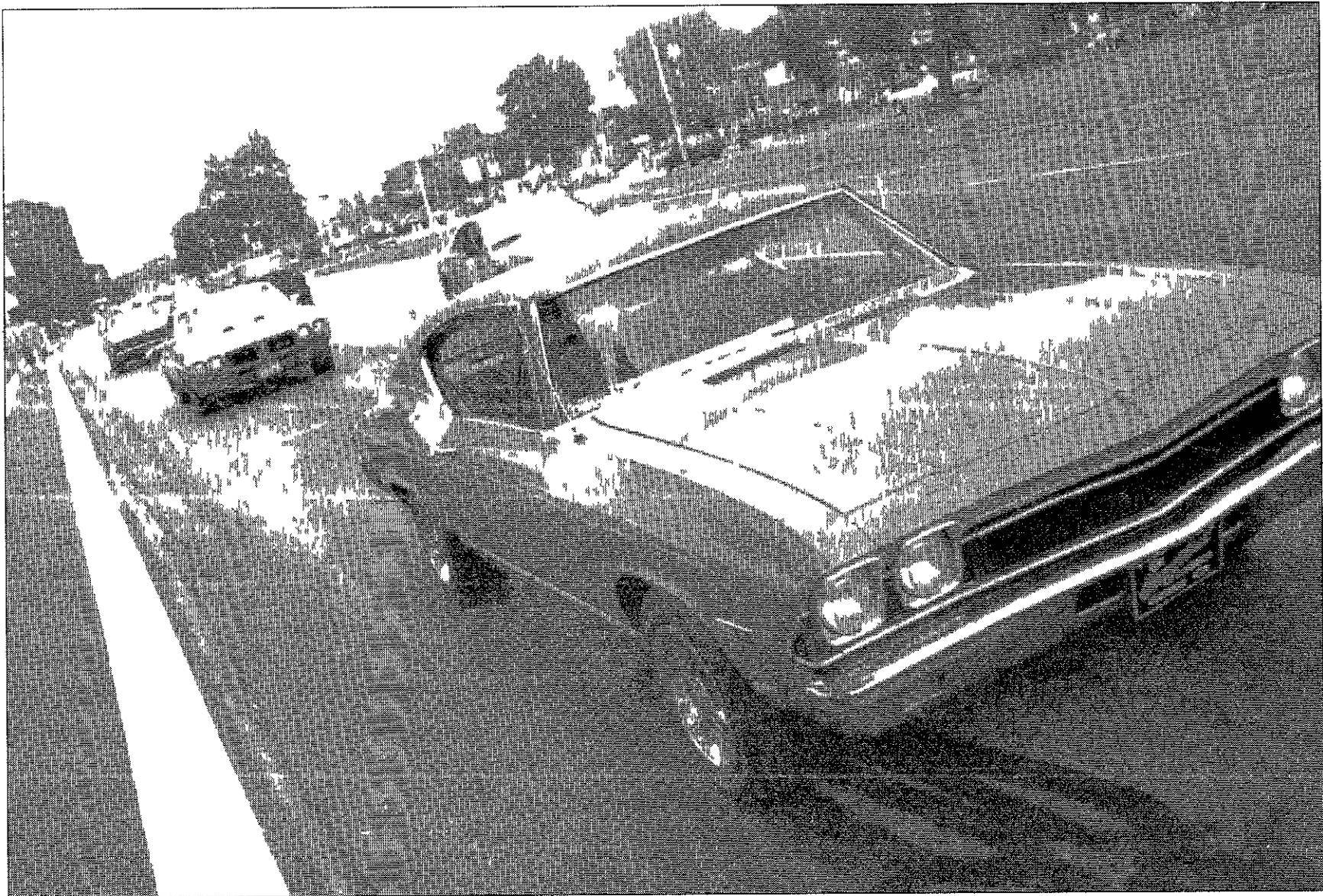
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## DREAM CRUISE

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ing house for event information

It's no wonder the event now in its

ninth year has had such phenomenal attendance growth

It grows every year and we expect it to grow again this year added Hall

In 1995 the Cruises first year an estimated 250,000 people attended. In 2002

attendance grew from 1.5 million to 1.7 million

The cruise part of the event remains largely unregulated and contributes to the nostalgia in the air

Participation either from the road or

the sidelines, is free, too

And while motorists who are not driving classic cars are strongly discouraged from traveling on the strip, the Cruise remains open to all vehicles

Woodward Dream Cruise, Inc's official

theme is "These Lanes are Made for Cruisin'." In other words, the goal is to keep the show on the road

Please help us this one day give spectators from Detroit and around the country the opportunity to see the classics as they drive down

Woodward Avenue, said Hall

Bear in mind the context of the Cruise has changed

While the first Cruise emerged out of efforts to raise funds by organizers in

Ferndale, today's event involves 70 official business sponsors, including Eaton Automotive, DaimlerChrysler Corporation, Pet Supplies Plus and Battle Creek-based cereal-maker Kellogg

This year, longtime sponsor MBNA American Bank is launching a VISA card bearing classic car designs, and representatives will be taking applications during the Cruise

Woodward Avenue will soon undergo the branding process as well. Come Aug. 27, the Woodward Avenue Action Association plans to reveal the brand image, which is tied to the thoroughfare's designation as a National Scenic Byway in 2002

Woodward changed the world. Woodward put the world on wheels, said Heather Carmona, executive director, Woodward Avenue Action Association. And, the Dream Cruise is an asset to Woodward and a story that needs to be told

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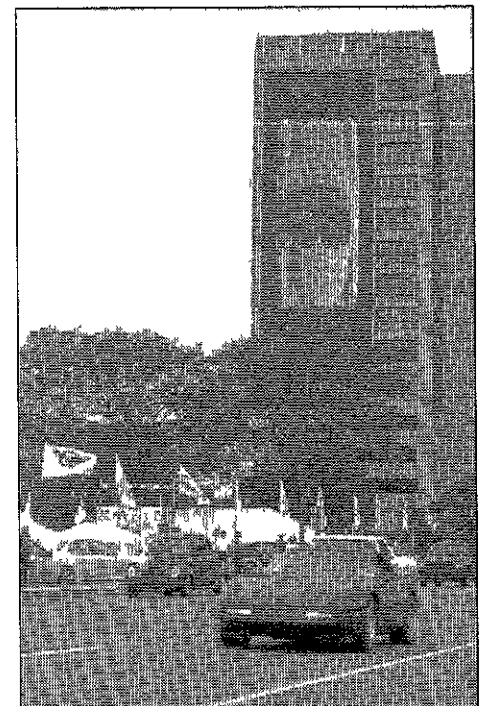
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## It's a short trip to Lake Erie island paradise

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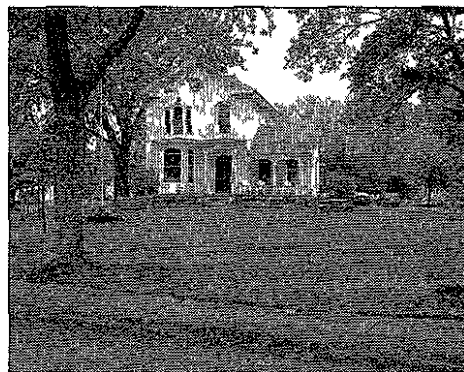
About 2 1/2 hours from Detroit's city center there is a place where folks drive golf carts, ride bikes, and walk to get around. A place where chicken barbecuers from the VFW, celebrities, European travelers, 6-year-olds, newlyweds, artists and monarch butterflies all come together in an eight-mile radius.

Kelleys Island, 37 miles off the shores of Marblehead, Ohio, is a great place to escape the hectic pace of everyday life and just enjoy.

Established in 1840 by brothers Datus and Irad Kelley, the island has grown over the years from an area used as a resource for wood and mining to a getaway destination that keeps travelers coming back for more.

Visitors can still see limestone being mined on the island, but the main attractions are the new and historic bed and breakfasts, picture-perfect snapshots of wildlife, and breathtaking views from front-porch cottages on Lake Erie.

For treasure-seekers, pick up a map from the Chamber of Commerce that will lead you to Kelleys Island's Seven Island



Redford native Lori Hayes and her husband, Pat own The Inn on Kelleys Island, a bed and breakfast that Lori's ancestors called home in 1876.

**Treasures** These seven treasures are the island's most beautiful, historic sites Preserves, hiking trails, one of the most spectacular examples of glacial grooves left in the entire world, and five other treasures keep visitors busy for days.

### ISLAND CENTER

Downtown is the center of most island activity. Shops, restaurants, historic museums, golf cart and bike rentals, horse and carriage rides, and people-watching make up the mix. Docked boats

are always filled with people sunning, jet skis are taking off, and eager fishers-of-the-sea are reinforcing their lines and inquiring about the "hot spots" in this "Walleye Capital of the World."

To people who visit, Kelleys is a break from life. To people who live and own businesses on the island - Kelleys is a way of life.

The island museums reveal tales from an era long ago, but closer to the history of the island are the many bed and breakfast owners who have made Kelleys history their future.

Redford native Lori Hayes and her husband, Pat, are owners of The Inn on Kelleys Island, a bed and breakfast that Lori's ancestors called home in 1876. Pat and Lori met in college and decided to renovate the Inn that was a flagship for friendship many years ago.

Inside the beautiful Victorian inn, stories of days gone by are marked by antique furniture, pictures of ancestors who roamed the halls in past times, and books that bring to light the joys and perils of the sea and the beauty of bird-watching.

Outside the Inn, a private deck on the beach is just across the road, and fossil collectors have discovered many a natural wonder of their own. A spacious yard with vegetables, beautiful blooms, and birdhouses give guests an insight to the couple's love of the welcoming and preservation of nature.

The couple are active members of the island's Audubon Society. Pat is president and Lori writes a column in the Hoot Owl newsletter, and is also events coordinator. The two subscribe to a simple life - rich in tradition, history, and the love of life's natural wonders.

### B&B DELIGHTS

Down the road, Elizabeth and Tim Hermes are at work making everything fit for the scrapbook when it comes to their guests. Water's Edge Retreat, an eight-year-old sprawling bed and breakfast with a wrap-around porch, filled with lush carpets, and shiny extravagant furniture provide history in the making for travelers.

The couple along with their son, Captain Brother Reverend John, all hold captain's licenses and provide sailing excursions for guests, as well as wedding ceremonies at sea. For weary travelers, a masseuse is on call daily.

A few things guests won't find at Water's Edge are TVs, CD players and clocks. Elizabeth says that the no clocks keep it a little bit simple. As far as waking up - you know that it's time to wake up when you smell breakfast.

And you don't want to miss breakfast. Milene and Antoinette who came to work

### GETTING THERE IS HALF THE FUN!

By car - I-75 South to 280 West to Route 2 take 269 north and exit on Route 163 east. Kelleys Island Ferry is a 510 Marblehead.

**Kelleys Island Ferry** - Runs every half hour in the summer. Cost \$10 roundtrip adults, \$5 children ages 5 and up. No charge for kids under 5. \$20 to take your car. \$3 to take your bike. Secured parking is available if you leave your car at Marblehead. For more information: [www.kelleysislandchamber.com](http://www.kelleysislandchamber.com), [www.kelleysislandnature.com](http://www.kelleysislandnature.com)

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at the bed and breakfast from Normandy, France, help to prepare the most delicious breakfasts which include homemade strudels, baked French toast with apples and strawberries, smoked bacon and lemon poppyseed cake. Tim whips up huevos rancheros to add to the buffet, and guests wash it all down with glasses of fresh-squeezed juice rimmed with raspberry sugar.

Elizabeth says the experience at Water's Edge is like 'going to your aunt's house without the guilt.'

By the way, this aunt's house happened to receive the No. 1 rating out of 50 B&Bs in *Travel and Leisure* magazine.

### OTHER PLACES TO STAY

If bed and breakfast accommodations aren't your thing, Kelleys has private cottages and campsites in the Ohio State Park System to rent, as well as RVs, tepees and yurts equipped with the essentials.

Children visiting the island will take delight in the beaches, enjoy miniature golf, wear their sandals out on the hiking trails and tool around in golf carts and bicycles.

The Butterfly Farm draws children and adults alike. Enter the butterfly greenhouse and you're surrounded by some of nature's most beautiful creations. The gift store there has many unique items to take home.

The Caddyshack, in the downtown area, has some of the most entertaining karaoke you'll ever hear. The best part is the worse you sing, the more applause you receive. You'll hear everything from *My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean* to *Bohemian Rhapsody* to *I'm a Little Tea Cup*.

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# Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda we present our top picks for the week Filtered just for you

## Album

One half of the Moldy Peaches **Adam Green** has always favored shocking lyrics A combination Leonard Cohen and bathroom humor Green's solo disc "**Friends of Mine**" (Rough Trade) is no different In fact the lyrics are so perverse they can hardly be repeated here (the faint of heart will want to burn their ears off if



they ever hear No Legs )

Friends of Mine is the perfect album for people who find off color jokes hilarious It's not all disgusting though In a sweet ode to pop star Jessica Simpson Jessica he sings Jessica Simpson/Where has your love gone?/It's not in your music It's this balance of cutesy folk songs that makes Friends of Mine sure to lift your spirits and make you pee your pants

Available at local record stores Visit Green online at <http://www.adamgreen.net/>



Midnight movies at Main Art Theatre presents the anime film "**Spirited Away**," on Friday Directed by Hayao Miyazaki ( Princess Mononoke ) the film tells the story of a young girl who discovers a world full of ghosts and strange creatures Rated PG For more info call (248) 263 2111



## Art

The **Detroit Girlie Collective** presents "**Copy Cats**" through Aug 10 at the C POP Gallery in Detroit

Each artist in the show picked five deceased female artists to re interpret in their own style Featured artists are Eva Hesse Remedios Varos Ana Mendiata Georgia O'Keefe Sonia Delaunay and many more

Catch a mid viewing show from 5-9 p.m. Thursday Aug 7 at the Whitney Garden Party which will feature food a cash bar and live music \$8

For more information visit the collective online at <http://gdcollective.com> and the C Pop at <http://www.cpop.com>

## Local band

The best of the Detroit sound comes in white skirts Formed in 1996 the first girls of Detroit music the **Gore Gore Girls** balance girl group pop and garage rock that equals one danceable rock show that will remind you why rock chicks are so hot

They play Saturday at the Magic Stick Local glam rockers Murder City Wrecks and punks Clone Defects as well as Peelander Z and The Valentinos are also on the bill Doors open at 9 p.m. \$8 bucks will get you in 18 and up

The girls also will play a free in store at 7:30 p.m. Thursday Aug 21 at Tower Records in Birmingham

## Concert

The audience will probably be full of grrls and frat boys when the cornflake girl meets the boy who rocks the suburbs **Tori Amos** and **Ben Folds** will present their summer tour "**Lottapianos**," at 7 p.m. Friday Aug 15 at the Meadowbrook Music Festival Rochester Hills Fans of Amos can visit her site ([www.toriamos.com](http://www.toriamos.com)) and vote on songs she should play on the tour This is your chance to make a Folds Amos Blood Roses duet possible

Tickets are \$29.50 for lawn and \$39.50 pavilion Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster at (248) 645 6666

Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy Have something you want considered? To submit information on local entertainment or other ideas to be featured in this space e-mail her at [stardy@oe.homecomm.net](mailto:stardy@oe.homecomm.net)

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**7 - 10 p.m. Bring your dancin' shoes** and enjoy Kevin Tee and the Firebirds as they perform classic rock favorites

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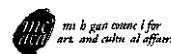
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Art

## Avenue Gallery hosts Simon Bull's work

British commercial artist Simon Bull will be appearing with his award-winning art, at the Avenue Gallery in Birmingham on Aug 7 and 9

Bull's visit is part of a weekend celebration as the Avenue Gallery sponsors In the Park Concerts at Sham Park in Birmingham 7 p m Thursday, Aug 7, featuring the band, Air Margaritaville As part of the evening's theme, the Avenue Gallery will host an open house 3-7 p m Saturday, Aug 9, featuring complimentary margaritas to celebrate Bull's visit and exhibit of works

Bull received a major national award in 2000 by becoming the Fine Art Trade Guild's UK Best Selling Original Print Artist Bull, who became the first artist ever to be short-listed for the two top awards in the commercial art business, won outright the Artist's Print award for best-selling artist of hand-made prints and was short-listed to the top four in the Published Artist of the Year award

This award is the art industry's equivalent of the Oscars Bull launched his first series of highly colored etchings in 1995 and his works have since become Great Britain's best selling

Bull first developed his unique method of printmaking after traditional etching techniques failed to give the purity of color and freedom of expression that he sought He began experimenting with monotypes, enriching their surfaces with acrylic inks, pastels and gold leaf His work is in many collections worldwide, including that of the British Royal Family

For more information on the biography of Simon Bull and his award-winning art, visit www Bullart com The Avenue Gallery is located at 167 N Old Woodward Avenue, just north of Maple, across from the Palladium Theater

Other Avenue Gallery locations include Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi and Main Street in Rochester For more information, contact the Avenue Gallery at (248) 594-7600 or visit www avenuegallery com

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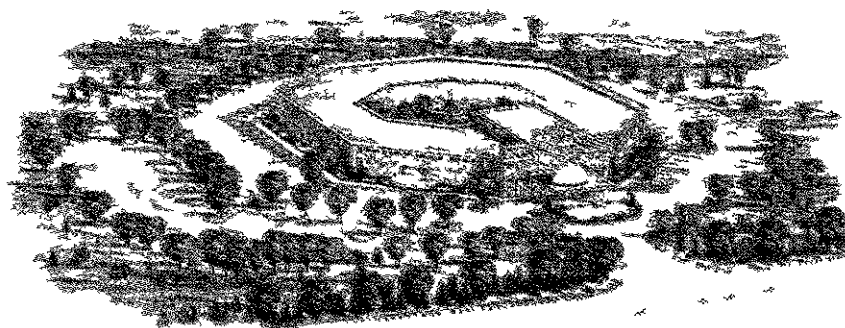


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