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**Office hours**

State Rep John Stewart R Plymouth Township holds office hours at noon Tuesday Sept 2 at Stewart's Plymouth law office 1142 S Main

Joining Stewart will be state Rep Mike Pumphrey R Newaygo chairman of the corrections committee that provides oversight on the budgets for prisons in Michigan

The pair will meet with Kenneth Burnley superintendent of Detroit schools at 2 p.m. then will join Reps Ken Daniels and Artina Tinsley Hardman to sing the national anthem before the Detroit Tigers game at Comerica Park

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**On Broadway**

David Burtka a 1993 graduate of Salem High School is currently starring as Tulsa (All I Need is the Girl) in the musical *Gypsy* on Broadway

Burtka was nominated for the annual Fred Astaire Award for his role. The production also stars Bernadette Peters as Mama Rose. Burtka is the son of Daniel and Debbie Burtka of Canton

He was recently visited by Canton junior Clare Selden with whom he reminisced about East Middle School chorus teacher Shelby Holcomb who introduced both to vocal music

Burtka got an early start playing John in *Peter Pan* at the Marquis Theatre in Northville while in grade school. Roles with the Peanut Butter Players followed and by seventh grade Burtka was cast in the Park Players production of *The King and I*. Former Players director Gloria Logan also directed Burtka in *West Side Story* and *Fiddler on the Roof* among others

After graduation Burtka went into the University of Michigan Musical Theater program. His roles have included regional theater national tours (*Beauty and the Beast*) commercials movies (Woody Allen's *Hollywood Ending*) and an appearance on NBC TV's *The West Wing*

**Holiday hours**

Municipal offices in both Plymouth and Plymouth Township will be closed Monday for the national Labor Day holiday

Offices in both communities will resume normal business hours Tuesday morning

Banks post offices and other government offices will also observe the holiday

The Plymouth District Library will not only be closed Sunday and Monday for the Labor Day holiday but will also be closed Saturday and Sunday Sept 6-7 for the Plymouth Fall Festival

Regular library hours can be obtained by calling (734) 453-0750 Ext 4

**First-day jitters common for kids**

**Mom, son survive first day of kindergarten together**

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Gregory Goodbred didn't want to miss a thing, even if it meant getting up unusually early Monday morning

The 5-year-old sat on the couch in his Canton Township home relaxed in his pajamas, watching *Rug Rats* on television, eating a blueberry doughnut and drinking milk just hours before his big day — his first as a kindergartner at Allen Elementary in Plymouth Township

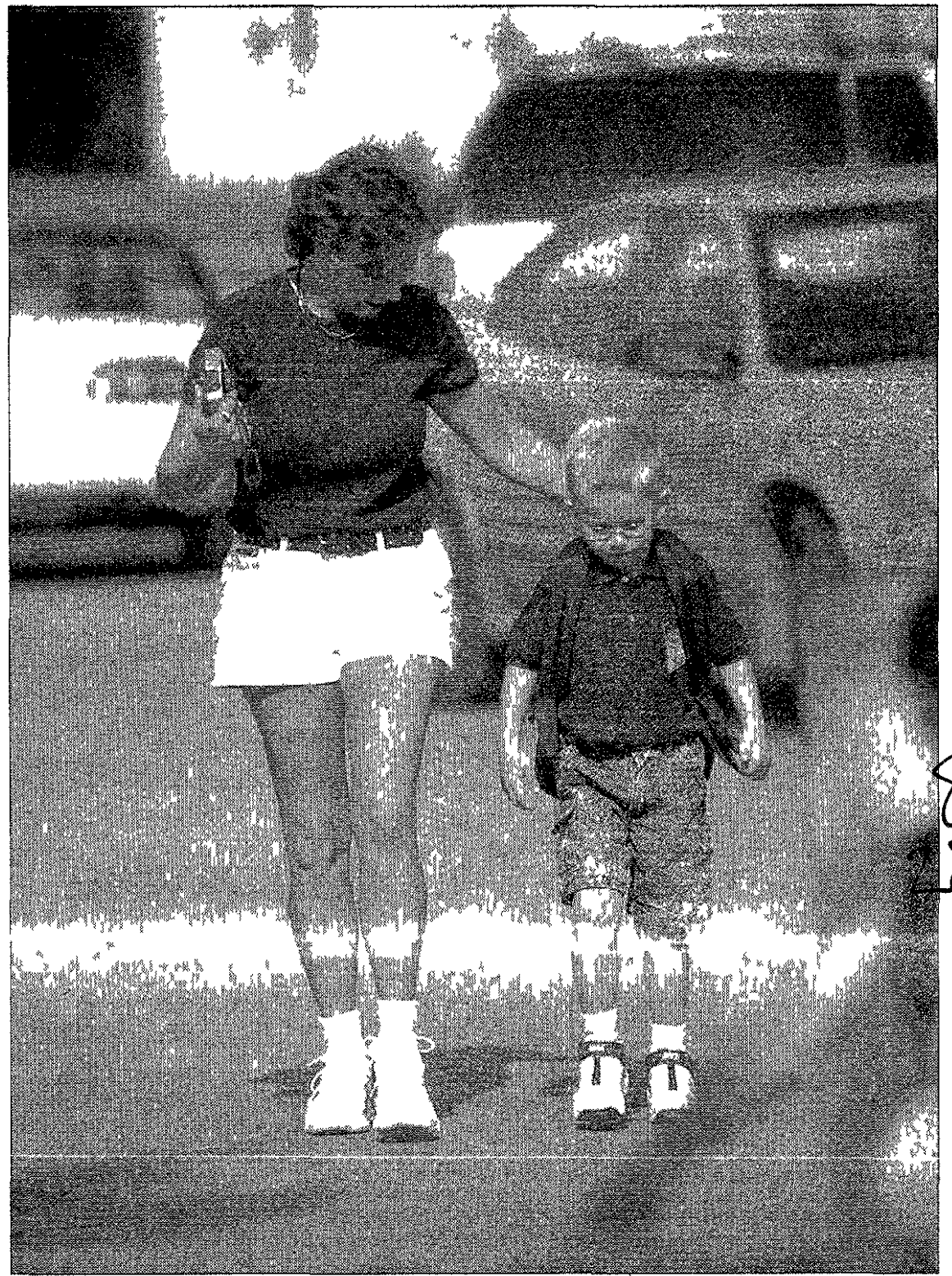
Gregory and his family visited his classroom during open house the previous week so he had an inkling of what to expect

I met my teacher Mrs. Pass

PLEASE SEE KINDERGARTEN, A6



Kindergarten teacher Barbara Pastalaniec rounds up her new class including Gregory so she can read them a story



PHOTOS BY BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Sherrri Goodbred walks her son Gregory toward Allen Elementary for his first day of kindergarten

**Buses only hitch in smooth first day**

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

From all perspectives, it appears the first day of school was a success, according to those in charge of making certain all goes well for the more than 17,000 Plymouth-Canton Schools students

"I think all in all it was a great start," said Superintendent Jim Ryan "Hopefully all the work we did to prepare was there, and we put it in the hands of a very capable staff. They make

magic happen."

Eas. Middle School Principal Marsha Hoff agreed with Ryan's assessment

The day was wonderful, said Hoff. "You always have a couple of kids who can't remember what bus they came to school on, but students seemed to enjoy themselves"

"The beginning of the year is always exciting," she said, "and the kids are excited to see their friends they haven't

PLEASE SEE FIRST DAY, A2

**Job search discouraging, despite signs of hope**



BY LAURA COLVIN AND KIM KOVELLE  
STAFF WRITERS

While most people's minds are set on leaving work at 4 p.m. on a Thursday afternoon, Detrah Moore and her son Stephen are heading out to the Schoolcraft College Career Planning and Placement Center

Since June 16, the pattern has been the same. Stop by to browse the center's latest computerized job postings, find three possibilities, submit resumes and cover letters. Then wait, possibly interview and repeat

I've been very discouraged, said Moore 39, a computer technician from Canton who has been laid off from two jobs since last year and lost a third due to minor troubles. There's no time limit to when you can get a job, but there is a time limit on rent

Using other agencies, newspapers and word-of-mouth, Moore sent out 24 resumes in July and interviewed five times. She's hoping for a full-time technician position

close to home, but as times wears on clerical and housekeeping jobs are becoming options

I haven't found anything in my field, said Moore, jotting down the information for a graphic designer position. This is a time when you start looking at things you don't want to do.

These days, Detrah is not alone

**NINE-YEAR HIGH**

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in July 44,000 more jobs were lost, 556,000 people stopped working or looking altogether and manufacturing employment — long a measuring stick in area — dropped as well

However, jobless rates actually dropped to 6.2 percent nationally and 7.4 percent in the state, men's, teenagers' and African

PLEASE SEE EMPLOYMENT, A10



L. Z. OROZCO | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Outside their apartment Detrah Moore and son Stephen laugh over how much each knows about computers. Moore has taught Stephen programs like Flash and 3D Studio but admits, "I think he knows more than I do."

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

**American Profile**  
As he's done for 18 years country singer Willie Nelson will take the Farm Aid stage Sept 7

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

At Allen Elementary School in Plymouth Township, Larry Sirgany videotapes his wife, Joy, helping daughter Chaya with her shoes. It was Chaya's first day of kindergarten.

## FIRST DAY

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seen for a while"

At Tonda Elementary, Principal George Belvitch called the day "awesome."

"You have new kindergartners and other children that move into the community, and we have new parents—all of it brings new ideas and energy to the school," said Belvitch.

"Opening a school year requires considerable preparation if you want it to go well, and much of that credit goes to secretarial staff and the many teachers who come in throughout the summer," he said. "By the time that first day rolls around, we're prepared. Parents and kids expect us to be ready, and they deserve our best shot."

The one glitch, according to Ryan, was a delay in getting

school buses to run on schedule.

"I think our drivers are being extra kind in allowing the kids get to buses," he said. "Sometimes we're running late, and parents get frustrated with us. But, when you run 125 buses and transport over 11,000 kids a day, you're going to have those kinds of problems."

Chuck Portell, president of the Plymouth-Canton Education Association, said the first few days of school for his membership went well.

"People are pleased to be back, and the in-service we had (last Friday) and the opening remarks by Jim (Ryan) were very appropriate," he said. "I think we're working well (with the administration), but there's always room for improvement."

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## HYDRANT PROGRAM

Plymouth Township officials will begin their fire hydrant winterization program Tuesday.

Residents may notice a temporary discoloration of their water, but township officials say the problem should only be for a short period of time.

Prolonged problems should be reported to the Department of Public Works. For more information, call DPW at (734) 453-8131, Ext. 21.

## BEARS ON STAGE

Plymouth/Canton youngsters Kymme Elliott and Alex Smider will be among the stars when Goldilocks and the Three Bears takes to the stage at the Marquis Theatre in Northville next week.

Performances are scheduled for Sept. 6-7 and Sept. 13-14. All performances begin at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50.

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

## OPEN HOUSE

National Wholesale Printing Corp., of Plymouth celebrates its 20th anniversary with an open house from 7-10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17.

The event features the first viewing of a panoramic mural created by Canton artist Bobbie Tallon, as well as a live demonstration of a new Heidelberg 5-color press, faculty tour, contests and a continental breakfast.

National Wholesale commemorates its anniversary with the sponsorship of a community art project in conjunction with the Plymouth Community Arts Council. The mural to be unveiled features scenes from Kellogg Park.

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through the seasons. It will be integrated with artwork from local children. Pictures from the 16 children who won the Youth Art Contest, sponsored by National Wholesale, will also be displayed.

National Wholesale Printing is located at 41290 Joy in Plymouth, just west of Haggerty. For more information, call (734) 416-8400, Ext. 1.

## SENIOR FEST

The Plymouth Community Council on Aging hosts the 18th annual Senior Fest from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, at Waterford Bend Park.

Tickets for the event, which cost \$3 for senior residents of the cities of Northville and Plymouth and the townships of Northville and Plymouth, must be purchased by Aug. 29.

Nonresident tickets are \$5. Tickets are available at the Council on Aging office, 201 S. Main, open 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Waterford Bend Park is located at Six Mile and Northville Road. The festival is co-hosted by the CCA, Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department and the Northville Senior Center.

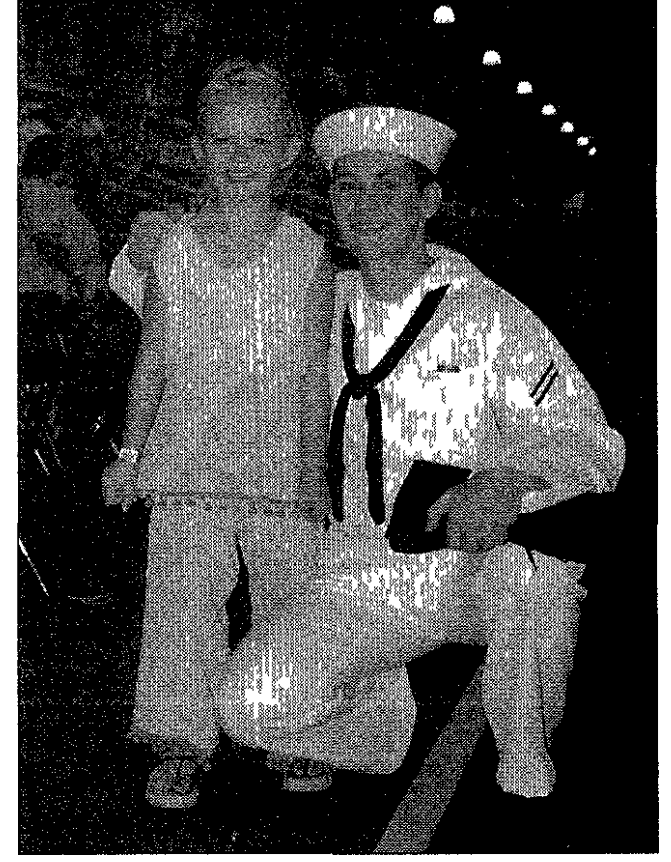
For more information, call (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236.

## BO RESCHEDULES

Former University of Michigan football coach Bo Schembechler's visit to downtown Plymouth has been put on hold.

Schembechler will be at Little Book Shoppe on the Park 7-9 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17 to sign copies of his new book, *Tradition: Bo Schembechler's Michigan Memories*. He had originally been scheduled for Friday.

The book retails for \$49. To



## Pearl bound

Sailor Ryan Haase of Plymouth has received orders and will now serve on the USS Paul Hamilton, based in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, upon completion of training at the Anti-Submarine Warfare Training Center in San Diego, Calif. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, the Paul Hamilton launched more than four dozen missiles more than any other unit. Haase was part of the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band in 2000. 2001 Haase 'is a soldier who keeps me safe,' younger sister Sophia, 6, tells people.

reserve or pre-purchase a copy to have autographed by Schembechler, call the store, (734) 455-5220.

## CUP-STACKING COMPETITION

The Plymouth A.M. Rotary Club will sponsor a booth during the Plymouth Fall Festival that will host a cup-stacking competition. Rotary officials call it the

"hottest and fastest-growing sport in America," involving the stacking and unstacking of specialized cups in a predetermined sequence at lightning speeds.

The A.M. Rotary booth will be located in front of Gabriel's on Main Street. The fastest stackers will compete for prizes, and all proceeds will benefit Rotary charities.

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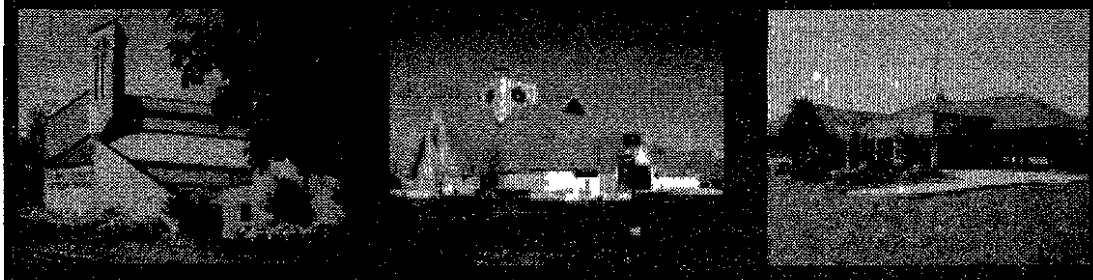
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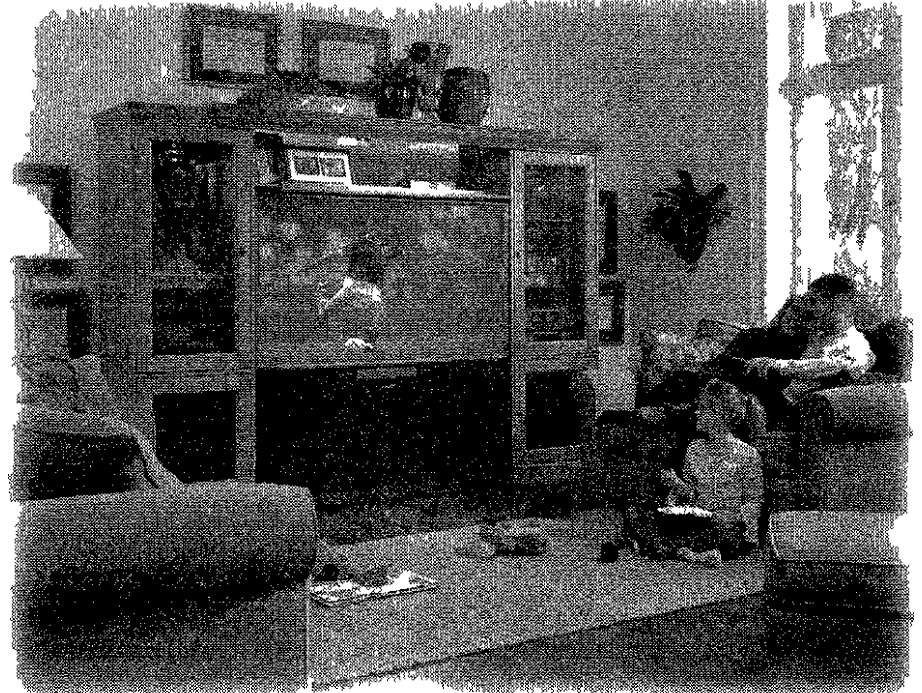


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# Concerts a hit with kids of all ages

## Series finale closes 19th season of Music in the Park series

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

During last week's Music in the Park finale, a raccoon took refuge high in a Kellogg Park tree overlooking the stage.

Local police told anxious onlookers the raccoon wouldn't come down because he was scared. Debra Madonna thinks there was a different reason.

I think he stayed there because he enjoyed the music and watching all the kids, said Madonna, who organizes the annual concert series for the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

It's tough to doubt Madonna's opinion, given the popularity of the series, started 19 years ago as an effort to bring music appreciation to youngsters from around the community. The series runs the first Wednesday after school ends until the Wednesday before kids go back.

This year's slate featured 10 concerts, including a pair of performances by Guy Lous and Chautauqua Express and one from popular Marc Thomas and Max the Moose. Zak Morgan closed the schedule last week.

New Liberty Bank just completed its second year of financial sponsorship, after six years of sponsorship by Sealant Equipment and Engineering.

It's an important connection between the community and the kids," said Laura Sawicki, marketing coordinator.

The concerts generally draw some 2,000 people, according to Madonna, including young children, parents and senior citizens.

From the beginning these free-to-the-public con-



Zak Morgan performs at the edge of the stage at the summer finale of Plymouth's Music in the Park series in Kellogg Park.

PHOTOS BY PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

certs have provided music and a place for families to gather, Madonna said. The seniors enjoy coming to the park because it gives them a chance to sit in a park, enjoy lunch, listen to a little music and watch little kids be little kids on a hot summer afternoon.

Concert goers won't be surprised by anything that happens, and Madonna said that predictability is a key to the success. The audiences always have moms, dads and their children, seniors, grandparents, and day care and summer camp groups.

There are always strollers everywhere, and (Madonna hopes) the sun always shines. The Gathering acts as the rain site, though it wasn't needed this year. And, of course, there are the trees, which she says make Kellogg Park so great for the concerts. The trees become giant sun umbrellas.



Jennifer Linart of Plymouth Township helps her 22-month-old son Luke, dance to the music of Zak Morgan at the summer finale of Plymouth's Music in the Park series in Kellogg Park.

It all works because we don't do too much and we keep it predictable, Madonna said. "We bring back several of the same performers and add a few new ones. We ask the audiences

who they like and whether they want to have someone return. We keep the focus on the music and not a lot of extra stuff." bkadrich@oe.hometownlife.com (734) 459-2700

# Commission flushes public potty plan

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Dan Dwyer said he's disappointed his fellow Plymouth city commissioners voted against spending nearly \$160,000 for a new downtown restroom.

However, he insisted the project isn't dead.

I think it's a good plan, I support it and I will keep working ahead, said Dwyer, who has been spearheading the project the last four years. "I need to get hold of some of the players in town and find out if there is a will among the people in the community to make this happen. If they say it's worth the effort, then we'll continue."

City commissioners voted 3-2 against spending the money for the restroom, to be located outside the downtown Gathering. The Aug. 18 vote came at a meeting from which Dwyer and Michele Potter were absent.

Mayor Bill Graham and Commissioner Phil Pursell voted to move ahead with the project by having the city pay for the bathroom with previously approved capital improvement bond money. But commissioners Stella Greene, Ron Loisele and Colleen Pobur had reservations about continuing with the plans in the face of city financial woes, which include a projected \$1 million budget deficit for the 2004-05 fiscal year.

"While I think it would be a nice project to have in the downtown, we're going to the voters to ask them for a Headlee override (tax increase). I believe we would be sending a wrong message to the voters, Loisele said. "If we don't spend the (bond) money on this, we have the option of spending it on other capital improvement projects, which I believe may be more needy than a bathroom."

Pobur agreed, noting the bathroom is a worthwhile project, but comes at a difficult financial juncture for the city.

"We've had practically all our capital improvement projects on

hold for a whole year, she said. The leapfrog of a \$160,000 project over all those capital improvement projects doesn't make sense to me.

Pursell said the city needs to make the financial commitment before others will come forward with monetary contributions.

I feel fairly confident we could have the money in a short period of time, but we have to put a shovel in the ground to show everyone else we're serious about this, he said. "Right now you force somebody to change a diaper out in the open, or in a porta john that doesn't smell too well."

Graham said, "I've talked to several people who are willing to commit to the tune of about \$10,000, and I haven't even tried hard. Raising money is a lot easier when the project is already funded."

One of those commitments is reportedly \$2,500 from Diane Quinn, who organizes Art in the Park every summer in downtown Plymouth.

The Gathering was constructed when the city borrowed money from the water fund and community groups and the Chamber of Commerce paid back the city over a 15-year period.

"If we had followed this logic, we probably wouldn't have The Gathering today," said Graham.

Greene said the city has to prioritize where it spends its money.

"The fact we've taken this project to this level should be proof enough to all the individuals and organizations who should be coming forward that we're committed to the project and want to see it happen, she said.

Meanwhile, Dwyer said he's not about to give up, though he admits the discussion about funding for a bathroom and asking residents to raise taxes appear to be at opposite ends of the spectrum.

"It couldn't have come at a worse time, Dwyer said.

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**Carl S. Polonyi**

A private ceremony was held in Nevada Aug. 15 for Carl Polonyi, 69 of Las Vegas (formerly of Livonia and Plymouth). Mr. Polonyi was born Jan. 22, 1934, in Detroit and died Aug. 9, 2003, in Las Vegas after a brief illness. Mr. Polonyi was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and followed his military service with a distinguished automotive career, working for GM, Ford and Rebman Products, primarily in the field of injection molding engineering and management. Mr. Polonyi was also owner-operator of the Press Box Tavern in Plymouth prior to his retirement. Survivors include loving wife, Connie of Las Vegas, mother, Anna Polonyi of Las Vegas, daughter, Ann (James) Firlit of Northville, son, Carl P. (Andrea) Polonyi of Las Vegas, grandchildren, Jarod and Jonhathan Pace of Las Vegas, and several cousins, nieces and

nephews. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice c/o Odyssey Healthy Care, 4011 McLeod Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89121.

**Marvel Elizabeth Daines**

Services for Marvel Daines, 90, of Plymouth, were held Aug. 24 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. J. Scott Miller and the Rev. David Marr officiating. Burial was at Roseland Park Cemetery in Berkley. Mrs. Daines was born Nov. 26, 1912, in Ladoga, Ind., and died Aug. 21 in Plymouth. She had served on the Board of Directors of the former Detroit Osteopathic Hospital in Highland Park. Mrs. Daines was preceded in death by her husband, Travilla G. Daines, and daughters, Marvel Gail Middleton and Bonnie Jill Daines. Survivors include daughter, Judy (Robert) Crabb of Canton, five grandchildren,

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seven great-grandchildren, and brother, John Winkler of Texas.

Memorial contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154. Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

**Stella Michno Zaydel**

Services for Stella Zaydel, 86, of Plymouth, were held Aug. 23 at St. Edith Catholic Church with the Rev. Timothy Murray officiating. Burial was at Holy Cross Cemetery in Detroit. Mrs. Zaydel was born April 4, 1917, in Detroit and died Aug. 19 in Plymouth. She was the owner of the J.Z. Hardware in Detroit. She came to the Plymouth community four years ago from Villa Marie in Livonia. She was a member of St. Edith Catholic Church in Livonia, the Polish Woman's Alliance, and she was a former member of the St. Edith

Church choir. She was an avid gardener and loved her family.

Mrs. Zaydel was preceded in death by her husband, John, son-in-law, Don Dailey, sister-in-law, Eleanor Michno, sister-in-law, Marie Michno, and brother, Frank Michno.

Survivors include children, Loretta (Hamilton) Robichaud of Grosse Pointe, Aurelia (Tom) Piotrowski of Plymouth, Theresa Zaydel of Detroit and Mary Ann Dailey of St. Paul, Minn., brothers, Walter Michno, Tony (Josephine) Michno and Ben Michno, 12 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews also survive.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

**Hendrix Gross**

Services for Hendrix Gross, 86, of White Lake Township (formerly of Plymouth) were held Aug. 28 at the Schrader-

Howell Funeral Home with burial in Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Gross was born Oct. 27, 1916, in Breathitt County, Ky., and died Aug. 25 in Clarkston. Mr. Gross was a machinist in the auto industry. He was a long-time Plymouth resident from 1941 to 1999. He was a member of the Plymouth First United Methodist Church and the Plymouth VFW and he loved to garden.

Survivors include wife, Ruth Gross of White Lake, son, Milton (Noreen) Gross of Milford, grandchildren, Jennifer Gross of Milford, David Gross of Milford, Scott and Heather Gorny of Illinois and Nels Uutinen of Commerce Township, and sister, Virginia (Ferrel) Cunnigan of Henderson, Nev.

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**YWCA seeks names for annual achievement awards program**

The YWCA of Western Wayne County is seeking nominations for its 12th-annual Women of Achievement Awards, to be presented in November.

"Our community is filled with talented women who have distinguished themselves in a variety of professional and service capacities," said Corinne Vincent, executive director of the YWCA of Western Wayne County. "We look forward to considering dozens of nominees in the coming weeks, and paying tribute to our six finalists at the awards luncheon on Nov. 14."

Qualified for nomination are women who reside or work in western Wayne County and have demonstrated qualities of outstanding leadership and excellence in both their professional and personal endeavors for the betterment of their

community.

The categories are:  
■ Arts/Communication A woman who has excelled in the arts, media or public relations. Such fields include visual, literary and performing arts, journalism, television/radio.

■ Business/Industry A woman who has exhibited outstanding abilities and accomplishments as an entrepreneur, or at the technical/professional, management or executive level.

■ Government/Law A woman who has provided exceptional leadership in government or the legal profession, either in an elected or career capacity.

■ Professions A woman who has demonstrated excellence and commitment as a professional in the field of education, health, human service, religion or research.

■ Volunteer Service A woman who has made significant contributions to her community through her volunteer efforts.

■ Young Woman A young woman of today (age 16-23) who has demonstrated leadership qualities, service to the community and a positive glimpse of tomorrow's woman.

The nomination deadline is 5 p.m., Sept. 12, 2003. Awards will be presented at the Women of Achievement Awards luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14 at the Fairlane Club in Dearborn. The keynote speaker will be U.S. Sen. Debbie Stabenow.

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**Alma College**  
Matthew Bryan, an Alma College sophomore from Plymouth Salem High School, played the parts of the Twelfth Baronet Sir Gilbert Murgatroyd and a member of the Bucks and Blades, Sir Despard Murgatroyd's followers, in the Alma College Music Department's May production of Gilbert and Sullivan's opera Ruddigore. He is the son of Michael Bryan of Plymouth Illinois State University.

**Sandy Michelle Donahue** of Canton has been placed on the Deans List at Illinois State University for the Spring 2003 semester.

**Schoolcraft College**  
The following Plymouth residents are 2003 graduates from Schoolcraft College: Ellen Marie Arble, Keith Lamar Arnold, Michele Mary Baldori, Christopher Thomas Bentley, Christine Ann Bethel, Melodee Black, Michelle N Brake, Timothy Dean Brazier, Renee Katherine Burek, Matthew John Buswinka, Evangeline Escarpe Cinader, Marissa Dequina Coloma Ryan Bruce Cook, Holland Moll Cunningham, Danica Dawn Dark, Kristina Nichole Davis, Andrea L Denkhaus Tammie Sue Denski, Jaclyn Joanne Dezell, Siobhan Elythe Dobson, Frances Alice Eckert, Audra Teresa-Ladora Ely Sarah E Essig, Leah T Filer, Jeffrey John Fisher, Lynne Ann Garcia, Nicole Elizabeth Garis, Jessica Leigh Geiser, Edwin D Good, Sarah Beth Gordon, Megan E Haas, Amber Joan Hancock, Amy Kristin Hankinson, Daniel Joseph Hankinson, Daniel M Heid, Lisa Nicole Hirst, Dawn Marie Holappa, Todd Michael Holappa, Theresa M Horka, Scott Warren Jones, Lindsay Dawn Kasmier, Pamela E Kozlowski, Kevin Mark Langdon, Genevieve Marie LeClair, Andrew Arnold Lehmann, Joseph Ligreci, Roxanne Lindquist, Charlotte

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**Western Michigan University**  
For the 12th consecutive year, WMU's precision flight team, the Sky Broncos, has placed in the top three in national competition, capturing third place at the National Intercollegiate Flying Association championship that concluded May 21 in Grand Forks, N D. Among those on the team is Robbie Beechuk, a 2001 graduate of Detroit Catholic Central High School in Redford and the son of Lorraine and Daniel Beechuk of Plymouth. He is a sophomore majoring in integrated supply matrix management.

Kim Panko is an April graduate of Western Michigan University who graduated with honors. She was a member of Phi Beta Phi Sorority. Kim is an Industrial Psychology Major and Spanish Minor. Kim also studied abroad for one year in Costa Rica and Spain where she decided to pursue her masters degree in Europe. She will be pursuing her master's degree in England. Kim is a graduate of Salem High School. She is the daughter of Dick and Margo

**University of Georgia**  
Christina Redd, daughter of Charles and Cynthia Redd of Canton, is the recipient of the Charter Scholarship from the University of Georgia for the 2003 school year. Christina Redd intends to major in exercise and sports science. She is a 2003 graduate of Canton High School.

**Spring Arbor University**  
The following students were placed on the Dean's List for the spring 2003 semester: Elizabeth Cox, daughter of William and Kathy Cox of Plymouth and a junior majoring in mathematics, Gaila Rajae of Canton, who is a senior majoring in sociology, and Hannah Ruddell, daughter of Mark and Cindy Ruddell of Canton. She is a sophomore majoring in communications.

**Syracuse University**  
Christopher Sauchak of Canton has been placed on the Deans List for the Spring 2003 semester.

**University of Detroit Mercy**  
The following local students from Canton have been placed on the Deans List for the Winter 2002-03 semester: Pauline H Cedillos, Melissa Marie Cobb, Anthony Frank Dimaria, Jeffery Arnold Dozier, Diane E Ewing, Justin D Fendelet, Nicole L Guevara, Elizabeth Alexis Leone, Robert Steven Parsons, Andrew J Pouget, Patricia A Spencer, and Jeffensen D Timacdog. The students from Plymouth are Barbara A Hayward and Fredrick A Klein.

**University of Michigan-Dearborn**  
The following local students have been placed on the Deans

List in the College of Arts, Sciences, and Letters for the Winter 2003 term. The students from Plymouth are Karen Figiel, junior majoring in English; Laura Henry, a sophomore, Camille Lynn, a senior majoring in communications, Katherine Porter, a junior majoring in psychology, Erika Zokas, a freshman, Nicole Zlonkevicz, a freshman majoring in communications, Tanya Haddad, a freshman.

The students from Canton are Jeanne Castillo, a senior majoring in marketing and communications, Erin Barnhouse, a sophomore majoring in communications, Nikki Corder, a sophomore, Michelle Darwish, a junior majoring in communications and hispanic studies, Roshani Jadia, a junior majoring in biological sciences, Stephanie McKee, a senior majoring in art history, Erica Pirronello, a sophomore majoring in hispanic studies and secondary certification, Erin Sargent, a senior majoring in biological sciences and psychology, Matthew Sarna, a freshman, Beth Seedott, a sophomore majoring in sociology, Angela Space, a junior majoring in communications and political

science, Jared Vidovic, a junior majoring in sociology, Emily Wilczak, a freshman, Emily Perpich, a freshman majoring in liberal studies, May Lou, a senior majoring in economics, Jessica Kavenas, a junior majoring in sociology, Theresa Babcock, a junior majoring in English, Diane Fazio, a freshman majoring in biological sciences, Elizabeth Wheatley, a freshman majoring in psychology, Kimberly Bronkhorst, a junior majoring in psychology, Patricia Butler, a senior majoring in communications, Christina Mallasch, a sophomore majoring in political science, Jessica Saskewitch, a senior majoring in psychology, Muhammad Shahid, a sophomore majoring in political science and secondary certification, and Angela Caton, a junior majoring in English and psychology.

The University of Michigan-Dearborn has placed the following students on the Dean's List in the College of Engineering and Computer Science for the Winter 2003 term. The students from Canton are Deric Cunningham, a junior majoring in CIS/computer science, Jacqueline Devore, a senior

majoring in CIS/computer science, Stephen Blossom, a senior majoring in CIS/computer science, Kristine Towne, a senior majoring in CIS/computer science, Matthew Schacht, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, Timothy Lyon, a junior majoring in computer engineering, Hyun-Jeong Seok, a junior majoring in CIS/computer science, Vinhtoan Duong, a freshman majoring in electrical engineering, Neil Fichtenberg, a senior majoring in electrical engineering, Rhita Boufelliga, a junior majoring in computer engineering, Kevin McCarthy, a sophomore majoring in electrical engineering, Sean Kerr, a junior majoring in mechanical engineering, Douglas Waneo, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering.

The students from Plymouth are Jamie Ueda, a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering, Kevin Sockolosky, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, Stefan Filipek, a sophomore majoring in computer engineering, Crystal VanMeveren, a sophomore majoring in mechanical engineering, and James Bowles, a freshman majoring in computer engineering.

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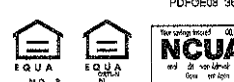
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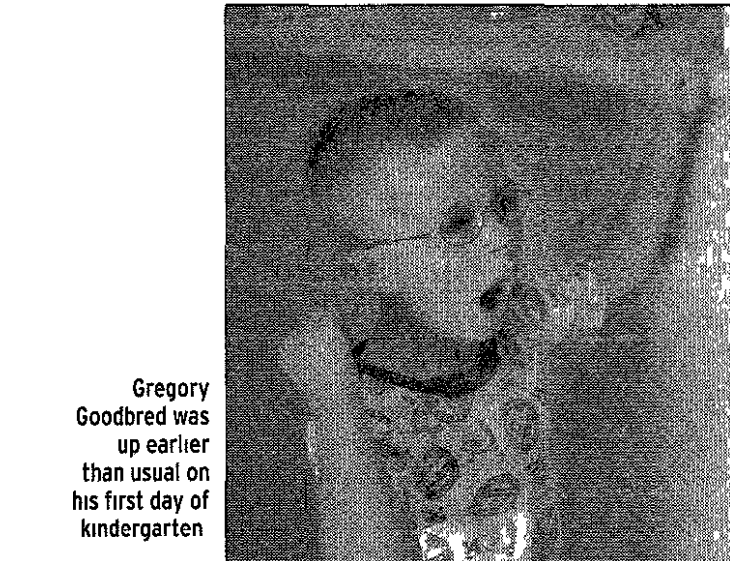
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Sherri Goodbred greets Gregory after playground time. It's time to go home after his first day of kindergarten at Allen Elementary.



Gregory Goodbred was up earlier than usual on his first day of kindergarten.

## KINDERGARTEN

FROM PAGE A1

tuh lon ic (Barbara Pastalamec) said Gregory not missing a beat on the pronunciation. "I liked the building stuff. That's what I'm going to do when I get there, first. And then after that, I don't know." Gregory wasn't taking the bus Monday as classes were only an hour long for kindergartners. But, he was prepared for the next day.

"When you drop papers, don't get off the bus or you could get run over," he said proudly. "No putting your hands out the window or it could get stuck — not the bus. There's more (rules) but I don't remember them. I'm just going to sit down."

His big sister, 9-year-old Jessica, said she'd make sure Gregory learned the ropes. "I'm going to help him get to the bus line every day," said Jessica. "I'll sit next to him. He needs to know people."

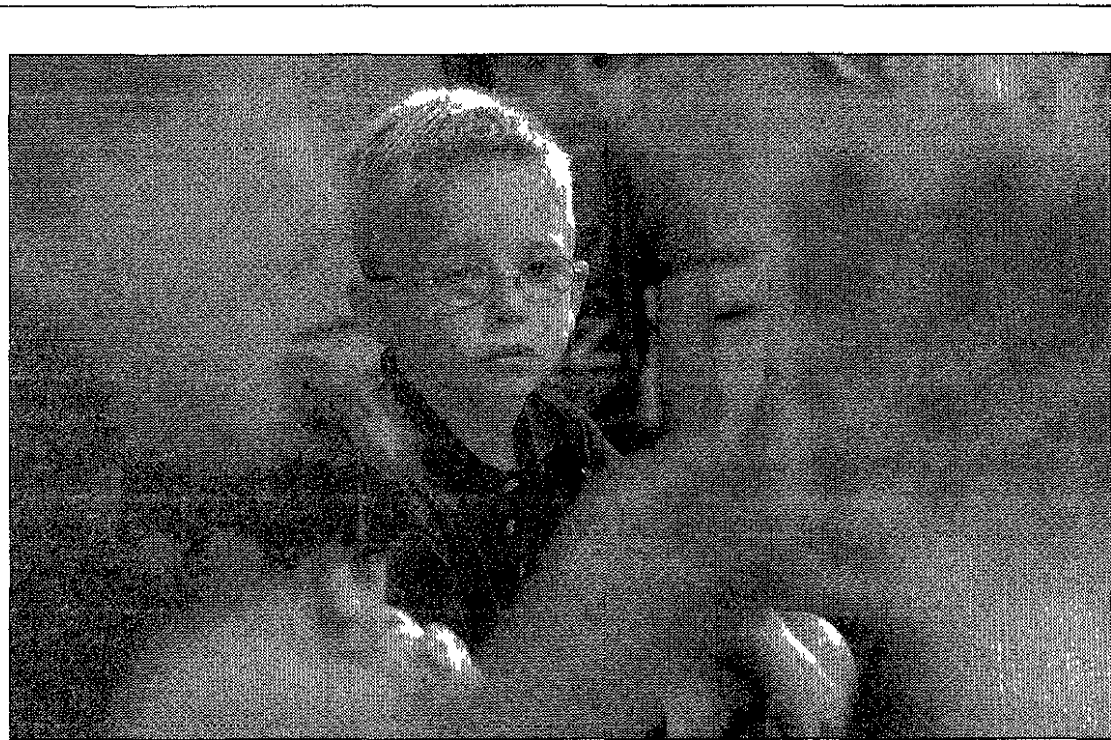
While Gregory showed off his new clothes and shoes — and talked of playing with the computers, the kitchen and blocks in his new classroom — the first-day-of-class butterflies seemed reserved for his mother, Sherrie.

"He's so excited, but I dread it," said Goodbred. "This is my last child, and you get that loss of him not being here."

"It's going to be tough. I don't know how I'm going to do it," she said, as tears welled up in her eyes.

"It wasn't any easier a couple of hours later, waiting outside the school."

After taking a picture of Gregory in front of the Allen



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Gregory Goodbred listens to Barbara Pastalamec read a Clifford book during his first day of kindergarten.

School sign. Sherrie gave Gregory a kiss before leading him into the building.

"You don't want that on you, do you?" she said while wiping lipstick from his cheek. "This is the kindergarten door. When the bus drops you off, go in there."

With his backpack on and a name tag — just in case — Gregory and his mom walked into Room K 2.

"Good morning, Gregory," said his new teacher. "Mom will help you find where your book bag goes, and then go over to the red rug."

It's at that point where students and parents are split, and the teacher takes over, introducing her self, singing songs with students and reading a book about Clifford, the big red

dog every youngster knows about. "It's then outside for the tots. Gregory took a few moments to appraise the situation before climbing the bars and playing in the sand."

For most kids, it gets easier, and they start getting along with friends, said Elizabeth Smith of Plymouth Township, who supervises the playground. "We've got the criers who don't want to be separated. But, by the end of the year, they don't want to leave."

"Can I go see my mom?" Gregory asked Cheryl Petersen of Canton, another playground supervisor.

"Your mom is inside, talking to the teacher," said Petersen, urging him to go play for a few more minutes. "No matter how long they're outside, it's always five minutes too long."

While the kids were playing, parents were getting information from Pastalamec about the curriculum and rules of the room.

"The only problem you might have, which is pretty common with kindergartners, is for them to complain they don't have any friends," said Pastalamec.

Usually, that means "I'm a little uncomfortable, I wish you were with me." All the assurances didn't stop

mom from sneaking peeks at Gregory on the playground, with a look of motherly concern on her face. Several minutes later, the kindergartners were reunited with their parents, and everyone appeared to have survived the first day — even if it was only an hour.

Gregory pointed out the play stations he was planning to participate in the next day. "I'm going to make things for you and daddy," he told his mom.

Principal Marsha Moore assured parents their children will make it through, and so will they.

"Especially those who are going through separation anxiety for the first time," she said. "The best thing you can do is to allow your child to walk into the building without you."

"It's probably harder on you than it is them, but it sends a subliminal message that says 'I'm bringing you here because it's safe,'" she said.


With that said, Sherrie Goodbred made up her mind — maybe "Tomorrow will be tougher, she admitted. "I'm just going to put him on the bus. But, I won't I will drive here to make sure everything is OK. But, I won't go in if I could just keep him at home."

### Physical Therapy UPDATE


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**BACK TO BASICS**

An exercise program for low back pain should include stretching and strengthening and low impact aerobic exercise. Those with chronic pain may find it takes weeks and months of stretching to mobilize the spine and soft tissues but the increase in motion does bring meaningful and sustained relief of low back pain. The hamstring muscles merit particular attention as patients with tight hamstrings tend to have low back pain and vice versa. It is not known which comes first but it is clear that hamstring tightness limits motion in the pelvis and can place it in a position that increases stress across the low back. Stretching the hamstrings typically helps decrease the intensity of low back pain and the frequency of recurrences. Back injury and pain can make you feel helpless and hopeless. But there is hope. A physical therapist can provide individualized treatment options right for your problem. Lifestyle and needs. AT HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY we are here for you when you need us. We are a certified rehabilitation agency offering treatment for neck and back trauma, pre and post lumbar back pain. Please call 455-8370 to set up an appointment to speak to a professional. We are located at 650 South Main Street in downtown Plymouth and we offer easy access and easy parking.


PS A hamstring stretching routine should include the application of pressure to lengthen the hamstring muscle for 40-45 seconds at a time one to two times a day. ©2003 323268



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2003 REQUEST FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION FOR VISTEON CORPORATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday September 9 2003 during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request from Visteon Corporation for an Industrial Facilities Exemption for new machinery and equipment to be used within the existing facility. The facility is located at 14425 Sheldon Road Plymouth Township Wayne County, Michigan.

The request of Visteon is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the date of the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

The public hearing commencing at 7:00 p.m. will be held in the Meeting Room at Plymouth Township Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth Michigan 48170, on Tuesday September 9 2003, during the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee Meeting. Telephone number 734 354 3224.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ADOPTION OF A BROWNFIELD PLAN FOR CH CANTON, LLC THEATER PROJECT PURSUANT TO AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACT 381 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN OF 1996, AS AMENDED

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT a Public Hearing shall be held before the Charter Township of Canton Board of Trustees at 7:00 PM on Tuesday September 23 2003 in the Summit on the Park Banquet Center located at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton Township Michigan 48188 on the adoption of a Brownfield Plan for The CH Canton LLC Theater Project within which the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority shall exercise its powers all pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Brownfield Redevelopment Financing Act, being Act 381 of the Public Acts of the State of Michigan of 1996 as amended. The description of the proposed Brownfield property is:

Land situated in the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan described as follows: The parcel of property having the address of 39535 Ford Road southeast of the intersection of Ford Road and Lotz Road, immediately east of Home Depot and south of Gardner White Furniture.

A legal description of the property along with maps and a copy of the Brownfield Plan are available for public inspection at the Township Clerk's office 1150 Canton Center S, Canton Michigan. Please note that all aspects of the Brownfield Plan are open for discussion at the public hearing.

Interested person(s) may also direct written comments concerning this issue to the Township Clerk's Office 1150 Canton Center S Canton MI 48188 1699 prior to the time listed above.

Terry Bennett Township Clerk

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH REQUEST TO TRANSFER INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE #2003-073 FROM TRAM, INC., TO TGR TECHNICAL CENTER, LLC TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2003

PLEASE TAKE NOTE that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday September 9 2003 during a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth to consider a request to transfer Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #2003 073 from TRAM Inc to TGR Technical Center LLC. This action is requested due to the formation of a joint venture between TRAM Inc and TG North America Corporation to provide testing and evaluation of automotive safety systems. The facility is located at 47050 Port Street Plymouth Corporate Park Plymouth Township Wayne County Michigan.

The request of TGR Technical Center LLC is on file in the Clerk's Office where it is available for public perusal from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Any Township resident or member of any taxing authority within the Township of Plymouth shall have the right to appear and be heard. Written comments directed to the Clerk and received prior to the date of the meeting will be considered. Following the public hearing the Board of Trustees may consider the request.

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# Village Theater at Cherry Hill: On time, within budget

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI  
STAFF WRITER

Imagine its opening night at the \$11.4 million Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Walk in, sink your feet into the lush, rich-colored carpeting and feel the sun glimmering through the glassed ceiling. Your attention will turn to the wall-sized murals that envelope the inside of the theater lobby.

It will be all skylights and we'll have huge chandeliers, said Jennifer Tobin, Canton performing arts coordinator. The fun is to see it now and how it will be.

The semi-circle lobby will also feature floor to ceiling glass with columns of limestone and brick. The entrance, which provides for picking and dropping off, faces the crossroad of Cherry Hill and Ridge. As you continue past the entrance lobby, you'll find curved halls that envelope the theater itself. There will be the center of art exhibits cast against a background of cherry wood walls.

Construction on the new 30,000 square foot performing arts center at Cherry Hill and Ridge roads began in late March. We're on schedule. We're actually a little bit ahead of schedule. And we're hoping to continue it, said Mike Firsch, superintendent with the George W. Auch Company, which is building the center.

We're at the stage where it changes on a daily basis, Firsch continued. Canton Supervisor Tom Yack says he's pleased the construction is 'on time, on budget. Everybody is just pleased not to dig into the contingency (fund).'

## RAISING DOLLARS

Fund-raising for the facility and its operations continues by the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities - a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. The partnership will rent the facility from the township, which is paying for construction.

Of the some \$8 million the township is spending to build the performing arts center, Bryan Amann, chair of the partnership organization, says about \$3.5 million will be returned when fund-raising is complete.

I want to have the place endowed and functioning, Amann said.

To date \$8.7 million has been raised for the theater. Another \$1.6 million is considered potential for donations, Yack said.

But the partnership also plans to apply for grants, such as through the Kresge Foundation, which offers a matching program. We want to make sure we have dotted all the i's, Amann said. The next step would be to offer the



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Jennifer Tobin, Canton performing arts coordinator and Michael Firsch, construction superintendent with the George W. Auch Company, which is building the new Village Theater at Cherry Hill, stand near what will be the entrance of the \$11.4 million facility.

public an opportunity to contribute such as with name recognition plates on theater seats.

Even after the building is complete, Amann said fund-raising will continue.

We want long-term development," he said. Once we put out a product, people's hearts will melt.

## INTIMATE SETTING

The theater itself will boast only 400 seats in a tiered, semi-circle, not too many to create an intimate setting for community groups who will use the performing arts center. Compare that to the Salem High School auditorium, which provides 1,000 seats.

The 400 seats are divided equally by an aisle to provide for accessibility. There is no balcony. "We don't need it," Tobin said.

The seating area will offer lifts - not elevators - for patrons with handicaps. It's just for a person. You can carry materials, Firsch said.

The movable - up and down - orchestra pit sits cozily before the stage. Seventy-six feet above the stage is a fly loft, which allows backdrop scenery to be raised and lowered. Beneath the stage is a trap room, much like a basement for storage. Outside the actual theater will be classrooms, dressing rooms, a rehearsal room that can function as a small performance room, scene shop, conference room, offices, concession areas, coat rooms and anything else that is needed for theatrical and musical productions.

The biggest part of the construction has been the steel beams at 12,000 pounds each in the stage area. The toughest part of the construction project was the land itself. Six feet of

fill was needed because of Canton's clay. The clay acted like a bath tub, Firsch said.

Next spring, construction will begin on two separate facilities, so called liner buildings, which will sit along the south and west faces of the performing arts center.

"They won't touch our building," Yack said, of the Uptown development by Biltmore and Beztak.

The liner buildings will boast some 14,000 square feet total - with 8,000 square feet of retail on the Cherry Hill side - including restaurants, on the first floor, with apartments on the second and third floors. The Ridge Road line will house more than 6,000 square feet of retail space on the first floor with residential on the upper floors.

In addition, apartments will be constructed behind the theater, all part of the Uptown development.

The first phase will have 300 apartments, Yack said.

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## OUR VIEWS

### Labor Day more than summer's end

This coming Monday, we will end another summer season with Labor Day. For most people this has become a last chance to spend some time in the sun, have a barbecue, shoot a round of golf and just generally savor the dwindling days of a Michigan summer.

Certainly an important part of this holiday is a chance to take a rest from our labors and restore our minds and bodies for the work ahead. But we are reminded of the real purpose of Labor Day.

The national holiday was enacted by Congress in 1894 following a decade of local and state Labor Day celebrations. Its purpose was to recognize the members of organized labor and the economic progress that had been made by the working men and women unions represented.

In recent years, as industrial jobs have been taken overseas, labor unions have lost some of their influence. Even many of those sympathetic to the labor movement complain that some unions are making unrealistic demands in a time of global competition and rising costs.

Still, as we move into a new round of talks between the Big Three and the United Auto Workers, it's important to understand the important role unions have played in the life of this metro area and the country.

The eight-hour day, overtime pay, vacations and holidays, health insurance, fair wages relative to company profits, safer working conditions, pension programs and much more are among the many benefits fought for and won by unions.

With a few notable exceptions, these benefits were never gladly given by kind employers or individually negotiated one-on-one with employees. They were won by united effort through the process of collective bargaining, each side coming to the table, each with their own interests to protect and each mindful of their common interest in the financial success of the company.

As we mark Labor Day 2003, it's time to enjoy the last days of summer and salute working men and women who have contributed to the nation's economic strength, prosperity and freedom.

### Land use report deserves support

When Gov. Jennifer Granholm appointed a bipartisan leadership council to explore land use issues and make recommendations to her administration, she said she expected a comprehensive study to be undertaken.

It appears the governor got that, and a whole lot more, when the 26-member council delivered its report last week. Included in the voluminous draft are more than 100 recommendations on issues ranging from curbing urban sprawl to designating high-density urban centers to preserving woodlands and wetlands.

The recommendations include everything from establishing formal statewide land use goals that all state agencies and local governments must abide by to expanding mass transit opportunities, protecting farmland and giving older cities tax incentives to strengthen businesses and neighborhoods.

There is a whole lot to like in the council's recommendations, and in the process used to formulate them. The council, which was co-chaired by former Gov. William Milliken and former Attorney General Frank Kelley, was made up of both Republican and Democratic lawmakers, as well as representatives from environmental and pro-development groups.

While some of the recommendations are fairly easy to implement, others are not. There is no easy fix to curbing urban sprawl, protecting farmland, redeveloping urban centers and preserving greenbelts.

The governor will need legislative support to implement many of the recommendations, so continued bipartisan support is critical. Likewise, some of the recommendations may sound great in theory but may not be realistic given the current economic climate.

And the state must be careful not to trample the rights of individual property owners and the right to local control in the name of land preservation. Council member and state Sen. Ruth Johnson, a Republican who lives in Oakland County's rural Groveland Township, is rightly concerned about a proposal that would designate entire urban counties like Oakland, Wayne and Macomb as high-density housing in an attempt to keep populations in tight rings around existing urban centers.

The council's report is a fine first effort to deal with these complex issues, and deserves the full attention and support of the legislature.



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Parent volunteer Dean Johnson closes the cover on the sign in front of Fiegel Elementary after completing placement of the information for the first half-day of school. School opened at Fiegel, and schools throughout the district, Monday, which means drivers have to get back in the habit of being aware of school buses and children.

## LETTERS

### Tonquish thanks

For fear of forgetting someone, I would like to thank all of the people of our great community for their aid and support to the staff and residents of Tonquish Creek Manor during the blackout.

An especially big 'thank you' goes to the city of Plymouth staff. As crisis leaders they acted immediately, decisively and effectively. They averted many problems and solved the remainder when needed.

What could have been a tragedy for one or more residents turned out to be only an inconvenience. We were constantly monitored by the police, fire and city personnel. I hesitate to think what we would have had to do without the delivery of water from municipal services. It is easy to put together a disaster preparedness plan but another thing to live through it.

Our building is home to 108 senior citizens. Many are on oxygen and/or insulin, several with walkers or wheelchairs and most are limited in their mobility on some level. We could have had many problems. The only problems we encountered were the same ones experienced by all of the other citizens of Plymouth.

Thank you to all of the citizens of our community from the staff and residents of Tonquish Creek Manor.

Sharon Lee Thomas, director  
Plymouth

### Blackout thanks

On behalf of the residents, staff, management and ownership of West Trail Nursing Center, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the outpouring of concern for our welfare during the recent Blackout of 2003.

The City of Plymouth, the Plymouth Police Department, the Plymouth Fire Department, the offices of the Wayne County District Ombudsman, Panera Bread, the anonymous donor of battery operated personal fans (batteries included), and all the callers who telephoned or visited to inquire if we needed help, food or supplies.

It is extremely comforting to know that our city and our neighbors do not hesitate to recognize the potential for need in such an extreme emergency.

Thank you to all we have to offer but it is echoed by the number of residents who live here and their families, the number of employees who work here and their families, the entire management staff and the ownership of the Medlodge Group, all of whom were comforted by your caring and generosity.

Barbara L. Post  
administrator

### Stewart voted district

Rep. John Stewart would not have knowingly voted on Aug. 13 for expansion of the state prisons located in Plymouth and Northville Townships were it not for some political chicanery which occurred behind the scene.

As state representative for the Plymouths and Northvilles, Stewart was well aware of the fact that both prisons in his district had been built on landfills. Any expansion of these two facilities would require a costly and massive environmental cleanup — something the fiscally conservative, environmentally friendly Stewart would never have imposed upon the communities he represents and serves.

Stewart had done his homework on

this bill and had voted his district, contrary to what Jonathon Grant, his losing opponent in 2002, stated in an Aug. 21 letter to the editor. Rep. Stewart had voiced a clear "no" when the bill called for the expansion of the Northville prison site.

The last reading/version of the bill slated the prison facility in Brighton for additional beds — not the one in Plymouth Township. Typically, once the supplementals have been agreed upon, no changes occur in the bills before they are brought to a full vote of the House.

But a conniving politician (who will go unnamed) from the Senate Chamber was able to convince the chairman of the House committee overseeing the prison legislation to change one word — take out "Brighton" and put in "Plymouth (Township)".

Dirty politics and unprofessional behavior on the part of some because Rep. Stewart is one of a handful of Republican moderates in the House. This was a deliberate attempt to sully Stewart's support in his communities.

Undoubtedly, nearly all of the 108 of the 110 representatives present never noticed the change in the supplementals from Brighton to "Plymouth" as they hastily tried to wrap up business on Aug. 13.

When Rep. Stewart realized what had occurred, he acted immediately to correct the situation. He hand-carried a veto request to Gov. Granholm's office and she vetoed the expansion.

The test of a caring and competent leader as well as the character of an individual are measured when the "chips are down" — not when things proceed smoothly.

Rep. John Stewart indicated a willingness to set things right and do what is in the best interests of the residents of the 20th District.

Martha A. Trafford  
Canton

### Turning his back

I had to chuckle when reading the letter posted by Jon Grant regarding the prison expansion in Plymouth Township. The same leadership of the state House who supported his losing campaign for state representative last year were the ones who, without notification to House members, blindsided the house by a last-minute inclusion of the prison expansion without even notifying the governor, or any of the state representatives of the western Wayne County power corridor.

Phil LaJoy, John Stewart or John Pastor. The state Senate voted in the morning on the prison expansion, check the records yourself. It was eight hours later that the house voted on the measure. At no time during that eight-hour period did the state senator referenced by Grant call Steve Mann, Ron Edwards, Marilyn Massengill, Phil LaJoy, John Stewart or John Pastor.

He made no attempt to warn the local community that he had failed to win over even one vote in the senate, his colleagues had turned their back on him. We have John Stewart to thank for working with the governor's office to insure a veto of the ill-timed, uninformed, ill-advised vote for prison expansion. One can only wonder about the timing of the vote, the inability of the state senator to notify the elected leadership of Plymouth Township, and the key question: How did a state representative not

even from the area know to suggest that the prison in Plymouth Township should be expanded when it was never on the table before the vote?

I might suggest that the entire episode was arranged for the sole purpose of embarrassing the state representatives from western Wayne County, Phil LaJoy, John Pastor and John Stewart. That is the issue that needs to be addressed and looked into.

Why did the state senator not communicate during that eight-hour window of opportunity? Not with local officials and not with his former colleagues in the House. If he knew the vote was coming that night he had an obligation to notify, mobilize and work to stop the inclusion and expansion. To have done otherwise is to have turned his back on the district.

R. William Joyner  
Livonia

### Thank you

We would like to thank the *Observer Newspapers* for the well-written articles about youth mentoring which appeared in the Aug. 3 2003 edition.

Doug Funke, who was a mentor with the Westland Youth Assistance Program for three years, was very excited about his column on mentoring because he was a firm believer in mentoring and he wanted to share with other prospective mentors what a rewarding experience mentoring could be.

He knew we had a new mentor training scheduled for September and he was anxious for the article to run in time for prospective mentors to take advantage of the training.

Doug's untimely death leaves a hole in our hearts, and it leaves a hole in our mentoring program that will be difficult to fill. Doug's dedication, concern for others and his willingness to give back to the community made him an excellent mentor.

It is interesting that on his application to be a mentor, he stated what he hoped to derive from the mentoring experience was "some satisfaction that this world was a little better because I passed through and made a difference," and we would like everyone to know he did make a difference to the youth he mentored.

We thank the *Observer* for the thoughtful memories of Doug, and we thank all who have generously made donations in Doug's memory to the Westland Youth Assistance Program.

Roneale Bowman, program director  
Paul Motz, deputy director  
Westland Youth Assistance

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# Diminishing clout of labor unions a sad sign of times

This coming Monday is Labor Day and, for the first time in many years, there will be no Labor Day parade marching down Woodward Avenue in Detroit.

Traditionally, the parade kicked off the political season, especially for Democrats. I watched a Labor Day parade way back, I think, in 1956 when Adlai Stevenson was running for president against Dwight Eisenhower. In my memory, it was a hot day, with Woodward Avenue jam-packed with sweating, flag-waving workers, marching labor leaders and Democratic candidates making "V" signs under the banners and grinning for the cameras.

No longer. There will be a parade — of sorts — later on, according to the Michigan State AFL-CIO, but it won't be anything like the old days. Which got me to musing about the state of organized labor in Michigan nearly 50 years after I first watched a Labor Day parade.

Certainly, organized labor is no longer the dominating force in the economy that it used to be. Other than public employees and teachers, the percentage of the labor force represented by unions has plummeted over the past decade.

Even here in Michigan, the UAW has lost membership as auto plants have closed and much of the parts supply chain has spun out of the Big Three. Public opinion polls reveal widespread skepticism about the mission and relevance of labor unions, even among union families.

It wasn't always thus. I remember sitting on a hard brown steel chair in a union hall, listening to Walter Reuther, then the United Auto Workers president. His red hair flaming even in the dim light cast by the gray-green fluorescent lamp, Reuther talked about social justice, railed against racial discrimination, urged a fair deal for the workingman. He was truly an inspiring figure.

Afterward, I watched G. Mennen Williams as he campaigned for governor at the plant gates at Ford's — it was always "Ford's," never "the Ford Motor Company." Williams was a big man, at least 6 feet, 3 inches tall, and he straddled over the stair railings shaking hands with both of his big paws as the tidal wave of workers surged down the Rouge Plant stairs.

He drew an enthusiastic response from the workers, and organized labor was a big part of the coalition that elected and re-elected Williams to the governor's office six times.

The UAW's agenda in those days was very broad and socially inclusive.

Last week, I had a conversation with a long-time friend, now retired after a career in UAW leadership. Our talk was mingled with nostalgia, regret and a sad, simmering anger at what had happened to a once-shining institution.

"We haven't changed with the times," my friend started out. "People used to know darn well why we had a union, what it was, what it did for us. But these days, when both parents are working, often on different shifts, they are so rushed in getting the kids from one soccer game to another they never talk about where the money comes from."

"What the kids get in school, from the newspapers, from the TV — it's all negative about labor unions. Even children from union families show a certain animosity toward organized labor. One guy I know brought home his SUB check (Supplemental Unemployment Benefit, which pays 95 percent of wages when a UAW member is laid off) and said, 'Look what GM gave me!' Can you imagine that?"

My friend was concerned about the negotiations now going on between the UAW and the Big Three, especially since labor costs for the domestic manufacturers are substantially higher than for the non-union transplant factories in the South. "The workers in those plants don't know the slightest thing what we're about. They look at us (the UAW) the way poor people look at rich people."

International trade and globalization may make it tough for American manufacturing, according to my friend, but realities have to be faced and adapted to instead of merely standing against change of any sort. "We're not even urging people to buy U.S.-made cars. In the old days, you had to worry about getting your tires slashed if you parked a Japanese-made car at Solidarity House. But even after 9/11, when we could have talked about America and how important it was to support it, we didn't."

What most troubled my friend was the slow, sad diminution of the UAW from a broad force for social and economic justice to just another economic interest group. "We should be talking, loud and clear, about the good things, the bad things, the hopes, the dreams. We don't seem to have any dreams any more." My friend paused, then burst out, "And it hurts my heart, what's going on?"

I venture to say my friend is not alone.

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

# We should consider nuclear energy as source of electricity generation

"Nuclear energy" is a phrase that evokes strong reactions in the minds of many Americans. Even when contemplated in terms of the production of electricity, the phrase nuclear energy strikes a negative chord.

However, in other countries, like France and Japan, the same phrase is considered in a far different fashion. It is their principal source of electricity generation. Why? How is this possible? Some will ask. One answer is necessity. These countries have few natural resources to burn and are therefore dependent on nuclear electric generation.

Chernobyl! Three Mile Island! These are the two most often recalled incidents related to nuclear power problems that cause Americans to react as they do. But, just below the surface of admitted consciousness there are the vivid images of Hiroshima and Nagasaki lurking and prodding concern, even outrage and suspicion.

Please consider the irony of Japan's reliance on nuclear-generated electricity as residents of these United States struggle to deal with their concerns, or simply choose to ignore them.

■ Did you know that approximately 25 percent of the electric energy currently generated in the United States is created using nuclear energy sources?

■ Did you know that Michigan has had nuclear energy plants functioning within its borders over the last 40 years?

■ Did you know that currently Michigan electric consumers, residential and commercial and industrial alike, draw down from the grid many thousands of megawatts annually that were generated using nuclear energy sources?

Please ask yourself when you last heard of a serious, life-threatening nuclear energy generation catastrophe. Please ponder the facts and statistics and determine when anyone's life was lost or even jeopardized in the United States from a nuclear energy mishap. For that matter, when did a nuclear energy generation system fail anywhere in the world?

Electricity is a unique power source. While it can be generated by burning fossil fuels (coal) and limited natural resources such as natural gas, it can also be created by erecting wind generators and solar collection panels and spinning hydro (water) turbines. But electricity is unique because it cannot be "stored" in a container for further use like a gallon of gasoline or a canister of propane.

Instead, electricity must be put on a grid that employs inter connectivity as a method of

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supplying sufficient quantities continuously to meet demand instantaneously. Moreover, because of governmental regulation it must do so while being environmentally sensitive, especially from an air quality perspective. So why not use more nuclear materials to create electricity? After all, it doesn't "burn" anything in order to generate electricity.

The answer to why we as a nation have refused to utilize nuclear technology in the generation of electricity can be related to fear factor and a limited level of understanding across our nation's population, resulting in a refusal to modernize and utilize what the experts acknowledge is a safe, reliable, environmentally sound, cost-effective and efficient source of electricity generation.

Why? Don't we need and depend on electricity? Without a doubt we do depend on electricity.

Electricity is used by millions every day. Electricity touches our lives continuously, powers our household appliances and allows us to access financial resources both at an ATM machine and at a credit/debit card terminal.

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In a word, electricity is magnificent! For life in the 21st century, electricity is essential.

With an ever-increasing level of demand for the generation, transmission and distribution of electricity, how are we to meet the daily need without disrupting the environment or "breaking the bank" of everyday consumers? We must consider NUCLEAR ENERGY as a source for the generation of our electricity demands.

Bruce Patterson is a Republican state senator from Canton Township. He can be reached at (866) 262 7307.

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# Budget crunch thinning ranks of municipal workers

BY KIM KOVELLE  
STAFF WRITER

Those seeking seasonal city jobs in the northern Wayne County area this summer have been largely out of luck.

Most cities and townships haven't increased their demand for part- and full-time positions, either. In fact, through out the past several months — or years, for some — layoffs and early retirements combined with hiring freezes have fostered employment lulls.

"This is the lowest point we've been in over 30 years," said David Kocsis, city manager for Garden City, where all part-time and seasonal staffing has been cut through the past year. "Obviously we're down. You can only do so much work with so many people."

Others including Livonia,

Plymouth, Redford and Westland have experienced similar cuts and tight times. In virtually every case, cuts in the Michigan state revenue sharing program were mentioned as the reason for stressed budgets.

"We're just seeing bare bones budgets, hiring freezes, general cuts," said Kelly Dunn, Michigan Municipal League legislative assistant. "If it would have been worse than this, it would have been devastating."

Proposed 2004 budget legislation calls for 3 percent, across-the-board cuts in revenue sharing, which comes from Michigan sales taxes and mandated payments. Coupled with former Gov. John Engler's cuts of 3.5 percent last year, the impact has been heavy.

In Plymouth, City Manager Paul Sincock said that hiring has been frozen or delayed in

areas such as the police department, while some positions simply haven't been filled. Two municipal services jobs were eliminated.

Within the last year and a half, Redford has seen cuts in approximately 30 full-time positions — all early or regular retirements — including seven in the police department, a fire marshal and maintenance workers. Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley added that when a part-time clerical job was posted, 150 people applied for the spot.

And in Livonia, although the new Recreation Center has created 150 jobs, a hiring freeze and \$2 million budget cut instituted about a year ago have hit many other areas. Included are the library's inability to fill 16 positions and voids in public works and safety.

"It has a random quality to

it," said Mayor Jack Kirksey, who hopes that a September public safety millage, which would exempt some related positions from the freeze, will pass. "It's going to last for the foreseeable future."

Westland has lost a comparable amount and, like Garden City, has eliminated part-time and seasonal positions. This has led to revamping the city's leaf pickup program and other basic services. In other areas, the pressure is simply greater.

"This has been the busiest that I have ever seen the building industry (because) interest rates are so low," said Sue Dodson, director of Westland's Building Department, which has lost four workers. "Under normal circumstances we would be bringing people in. Everybody definitely feels the crunch."

Even in areas where cut-back

numbers have been slightly lower, the waters are rising.

According to Farmington Hills City Manager Steve Brock, there has been a "reduction" of five police patrol positions, and vacancies are being looked at with "great scrutiny, though there have been no early retirements."

Farmington is looking at deficit reduction alternatives such as increasing building inspection fees, but has been otherwise holding steady. "We have not laid anybody off yet," said Vince Pastue, Farmington city manager, adding that more expenditures will soon be evaluated. "It's been a very well-managed organization. We're still able to get by."

On the flip side, rapidly-expanding Canton has had a number of job openings. The

next two years hold promise, since a new 70,000-square-foot office space will require a cleaning and general maintenance staff, and a 2005 park development will call for full-, part-time and seasonal staffing.

"We have been very judicious about adding positions (and) we have growth on our side," township Supervisor Tom Yack said.

However, he noted, though residential development has been strong, factors such as Proposal A's capping of real estate tax values may end up hurting.

"All the cookie jars that John Engler used to balance the budget are all gone, and there's no money to be had," Yack said. "The cupboard is bare. There's only so much you can take."

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## EMPLOYMENT

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Americans' unemployment fell, and the demand for temporary help rose.

All told, unemployment is holding steady at a nine-year high, and as summer draws to a close, the economic air is a mix of cautious optimism and uncertainty.

"If we get a national turnaround, then our analysis leads us to believe Wayne County will benefit and not be held back," said Don Grimes, senior research associate at the University of Michigan Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations. "Wayne County's structure has improved somewhat and will recover like the nation."

Grimes predicts local employers will begin hiring again by the end of this year or early in 2004. By the end of the decade, he said, the county could have more jobs than people to fill them, when a large wave of baby-boomers begins to retire.

"Right now if there is somebody out there who (an employer) wants to hire and they can take a little bit of a risk, they better hire them now," he said.

Restaurants and retail stores, Grimes said, will be the first place new jobs show up in the coming months.

### LOOKING UP

At Target in Westland, things are looking up after a hiring freeze last winter left job-seekers out in the cold.

"We're hiring, but we have a limited number of positions available," said Angie Bolian, team leader. "We're only bringing in about five people every couple of weeks."

At a Redford Farmer Jack store, jobs are available, but also limited.

"Business is pretty good," co-manager Stacy Bacon said. "We hire probably five or six people a month."

Historically an indicator of economic and employment trends in the metro Detroit area, industries are more complicated. Automotive manufacturers have been hit by sluggish sales, and now even secondary parts suppliers are starting to feel the pinch as well.

"Since 2001, we've actually been scaling back on a lot of positions," said John Colaianne, CFO for Davis Industries, Inc., an automotive supply company based in Plymouth. The hourly side we have cut back."

When Davis Tool & Engineering in Detroit closed June 30, 240 people lost their jobs. On the other hand, engineering jobs have held steady for the past three years and, Colaianne added, the Big Three's 2004 models should spur sales and growth.

### STRUGGLING

Akebono Corp., an automotive brake manufacturer, may



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Detrah Moore finds information about three jobs she picked out at Schoolcraft College's Career Service Department.



In her home, Detrah Moore calls about a job at Austin Vacations, a new travel agency. Moore was excited after the phone conversation, and said the job sounded promising.

also add new engineering/research and development jobs to the area. The company has received approval for a tax abatement to help fund an expansion this fall in Farmington Hills.

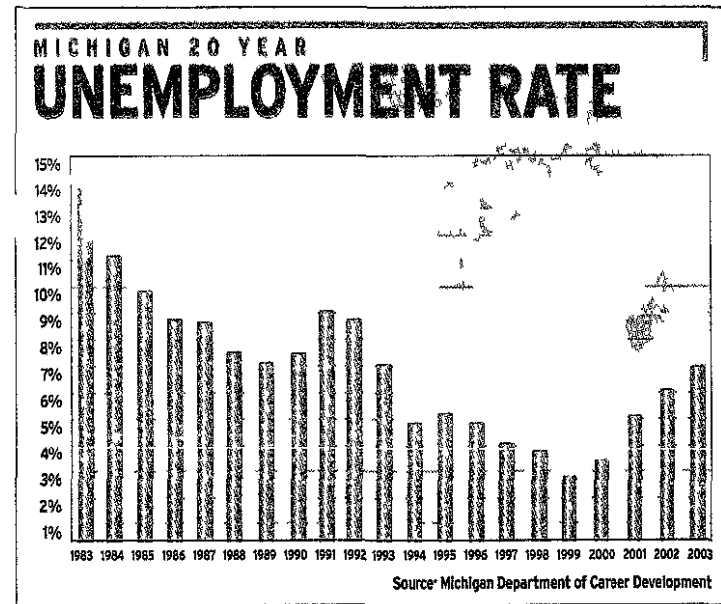
"Manufacturing is very cyclical and it's the (area) that's been struggling the most," said Jim Rhein, labor market analyst with the Michigan Department of Career Development, noting that such jobs have decreased by 23,000 in the past year. "Once the big OEMs (original equipment manufacturers) are hit, then they're going to cut back on their orders."

A hesitant economic turnaround is in progress. The Bureau of Economic Analysis put the gross domestic product (GDP), or the total production of goods and services in the U.S., at 2.4 percent, up from 1.4 percent at the beginning of the year.

"You may have real strength with the GDP, but you're still likely to see the labor market lag behind," Rhein said. "Employers are a little hesitant to start hiring until they see real evidence of an upturn."

Some economists are hopeful that consumers will spend tax cut dollars and further stimulate the local economy.

Fostering GDP growth is spending in federal defense, a



City/Township	2003	2002	2001	2000
Canton	3.2	2.7	2.2	1.4
Farmington	4.5	4.3	3.5	2.0
Farmington Hills	3.3	3.2	2.6	1.5
Garden City	3.9	3.3	2.7	1.8
Livonia	3.0	2.5	2.1	1.3
Plymouth	2.1	1.8	1.4	0.9
Plymouth Township	2.6	2.2	1.8	1.2
Redford	3.6	3.0	2.4	1.6
Westland	4.2	3.6	2.9	1.9

Source: Michigan Department of Career Development  
Labor Market Information (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)  
www.michlimi.org  
\* 2003 statistics are only for January through June.

sector where jobs have been generally safe. Production there is up 13.4 percent from April of last year.

"Beaver (Aerospace and Defense Inc.) has not experienced any recent layoffs," said Bob Phillips, vice president of marketing at Phillips Service Industries Inc. in Livonia. "We're anticipating bringing in maybe 10 new people over the next year."

Positions, he said, could include machine operators, skilled labor and quality control personnel.

Slowly, job opportunities seem to be sprouting. Count Detrah Moore among those

who hope the market improves very soon.

Earlier in the month, Moore interviewed for two "promising" positions with a senior care center and soon-to-open Austin Travels in Livonia. But if she is unable to land a job by month's end, she'll try to return to her pre-technician job involving work with the disabled — at least temporarily.

"The economy is horrible, that's a given," she said. "It's really hard. But I'm still looking."

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## College grads struggle in employment search

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Katie Brown started looking for a job about a month before graduation.

Commencement ceremonies came and went and still, she had no prospects.

"I'm the kind of person who can't sleep at night when things aren't said and done," said Brown, who graduated with honors from Madonna University in Livonia and searched several months for a job in public relations. "I was getting really worried."

She's not alone. Although the job market for college grads isn't exactly dismal, it's not great, either. Students are finding they have to look harder and longer to find employment, and when they do find work it may not be the job they dreamed about in college.

Brown recently landed a job at Franco Public Relations Group — as an administrative assistant. But she's been assured that her education and strong internship experiences will make her eligible for advance work when something opens up.

It's the same all over, and students are doing what they can just to get in the door.

"The job market seems to be picking up, in general, but there are still some students calling me saying they're getting laid off," said Ingrid Kroeger, assistant director of career services at Madonna University. They're still cutting people, still cutting jobs.

To increase chances of landing a job, she said, students have to expand on traditional job search techniques, and be willing to accept alternatives. "Students need to broaden their goals for a while and not expect, necessarily, to get their first choice," Kroeger said. "They have to open up their options."

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Job-seekers should also be open to the idea of a longer commute, she said, noting that Auburn Hills and Troy are home to some of the major employers in the Detroit area.

Relocating altogether may also become necessary. According to a March release issued by the

Employment Policy Foundation, a nonprofit, nonpartisan public policy research and educational foundation, the number of jobs available to college grads has increased in recent years. In a separate release, however, the EPF reported that Michigan may not be the best place to find those jobs.

"Recent college graduates would be well-served to look at cities such as Minneapolis, Houston and Dallas that are showing strong demand for young college graduates," EPF spokesman Mike Chittenden said.

Opportunities for college-educated young people to find entry-level positions grew 34.5 percent last year in Minneapolis-St. Paul, the EPF said.

The foundation ranked the 20 largest metropolitan areas according to analysis of labor market conditions for college grads. Detroit-Ann Arbor ranked 18th on the list, which helps explain why grads are having so much trouble locally.

At Schoolcraft College in Livonia, job orders were down 73 percent over the past five years. In 1998, employers posted 3,893 job openings at the college. Last year, only 1,428 jobs were available.

"This office is a direct reflection of the economy," said Judith Kaufman, a counselor at Schoolcraft College's career planning and placement center. Over the years, we'll see that when the economy is going down that our job orders are going down and the number of students coming back to school is going up."

### COMPETITION

And along with fewer jobs, of course, comes stiffer competition. When demand far exceeds supply, employers can choose from the most qualified of candidates.

"They're not going to train you anymore," Kaufman said. "They're looking for a specific skill package because there are so many workers out there that they can define that skill package pretty precisely."

Although many fields are currently experiencing difficulties and cutbacks, others continue to do well. Education and health-related fields are expected to fare well in the coming years, as are careers in financial activities.



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Angelique Carlin of Garden City and Tina Zamm of Farmington Hills look for jobs at Schoolcraft College's Career Service Department.

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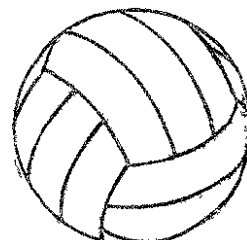
This two-part series on unemployment and job prospects was produced by the *Observer Newspapers'* summer college interns. Reporter Laura Colvin of Redford will graduate from

Madonna University in December with a degree in journalism and public relations. Reporter Kim Kovell of Livonia will graduate from the University of Michigan-Dearborn in spring 2004 with a

degree in journalism. Photographer Liz Orozco of Livonia will graduate from Central Michigan University in spring 2005 with a degree in journalism. They began their internship in May.







## Sidelines

### Mullet wins

The Mullet Hunters 14 and under inline hockey team won all eight of their games including four on the last day against national competition to win the AAU Junior Olympic National Championship.

The championship game matched the No. 1 seeded Mullet Hunters and the No. 2 seed Roller Rebels from Pittsburgh, PA. The Hunters took control early and never let up, displaying a very disciplined brand of hockey to win going away 7-2.

The Mullet Hunters won tough games in the round robin and the play-off round over teams from Colorado, Pennsylvania, Kalamazoo, Detroit and Springfield, Ohio. The Mullet Hunter scoring was powered by Kevin Tollison and Nick Pesant, who combined for 45 points including 27 goals. Scott Ozog was stellar in goal, posting a 150 goals-against average, earning tournament Most Valuable Player honors.

This was the Mullet Hunters' third consecutive national championship in the last three months (the others are TORHS America and NHL Rules). The AAU games were at U.S. Blades and at The In-Line Hockey Center in West Bloomfield and at the Novi Soccer Zone the week of August 4.

Mullet Hunter players include Mike Hargreaves (Hartland), Ryan Lammers (Rockwood), Kevin Etzel (Northville), Scott Ozog (Novi), Adam Beattie (Rochester) and Brandon Eggesfield, Jeff Loos, Nick Pesant and Kevin Tollison (all from Canton). The team is coached by Jav Pesant and Jerry Lammers.

### Soccer champs

For the second year in a row, the Canton Oaks U-14 premier boys soccer team won the Cherryland Invitational Soccer Tournament in Traverse City.



Members of the winning team are Kevin Krause, Trevor Floyd, Joe Thomas, Mike Korona, Tyler Floyd, Mike Hanchett, Alex Drake, Eric Prowator, Scott Dreaver, Brad Brennan, Mark Davis, Matt Epelman, Aaron Florin, Nick Plescia, and Chris Fry. The team is coached by Drew Crawford and Chuck Thomas.

### Oaks finish 1st

The Canton Oaks Premier 93 boys soccer team captured first place in the WSSL Select Division 1 last spring with a 7-0-2 record. The Oaks had an impressive 14-1-3 regular season record for Fall/Spring combined.

In addition, the boys finished the year 13-2-1 during the indoor season and 18-4-1 at tournament play.

Team members include Brett Leary, Tyler Sanders, Connor Smith, Nick Riley, Andrew Yoder, Travis Hall, Mitchell Vaughn, Brock Foster, Joey Klonowski, Tommy Halewicz, Ryan Sisteck, Sal Savage, and Brett Foster. The team is coached by Bill Joker and John Vaughn.



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Canton forward Matt Tomasso (11) steals the ball from Novi midfielder Tod Janer. The Chiefs controlled the play, but not the scoreboard.

## Canton falls in shootout

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

For Canton's soccer team, the weekend could have gone only slightly better. For Sailems, something should have been done before the weekend started.

The Chiefs started their season at the Balconi Invitational, co-hosted by Canton

and Salem, with impressive wins over Midland Dow and third-ranked Ann Arbor Pioneer.

That put them into the championship game opposite East Lansing, which they lost in a penalty-kick shootout.

All the games played in the eight-team tournament had 30-minute halves. If the score was tied at the end of regulation,

the game went immediately to a shootout — however, all games decided by shootout were to be officially recorded as draws.

Canton's record for the day, therefore, was 2-0-1. Of the eight teams participating, six were ranked in the pre-season top

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## Chiefs seeking to match last season's success

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Most coaches have relished that experience, putting a team on the floor that comes together so perfectly that at season's end you'd just like to put it in a bottle until the next year.

The Canton girls basketball team of 2002 was like that. The Chiefs lost twice in the first few weeks of the season, then ran off 22-straight victories before West Bloomfield managed to eliminate them in overtime in the state regional final.

Bob Blohm, Canton's coach, knows what he had in last season's 22-3 squad, a team

that was unbeaten in Western Lakes Activities Association play. And he knows the bulk of that team is gone.

"Last year was last year," Blohm said. "That team developed over three seasons. And it took some time to develop. I thought the seniors capped off their careers really well."

"This year's team will not be able to play like last year's team. They're going to have

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## Agape starts season against Clarenceville at The Palace

There were no early-season jitters Monday as Livonia Clarenceville opened its 2003 girls basketball season at the Palace of Auburn Hills with a 49-20 victory over Canton Agape Christian.

Clarenceville, playing a preliminary contest to the Detroit Shock-Washington Mystics WNBA game, jumped out to a 10-2 first-quarter lead and opened up a 27-6 advantage at halftime before cruising home for the victory. "We came out strong from the start, we got our fastbreak going and we got out quickly," said Clarenceville first-year coach Julie Patterson. "We also handled their press with a lot of poise."

Junior Katie Tuomi led the victorious Trojans with 16 points. Junior center Marissa Martin added 12 points and 11 rebounds. A.J. Creps scored five points for the

Wolverines, who were only 4-for-14 from the foul line. Clarenceville was 4-for-6.

**Ply. Christian 51, Urban Lutheran 17:** Plymouth Christian Academy overcame a slow start to overwhelm Detroit Urban Lutheran in the season opener for both teams Tuesday at PCA.

Leading 6-2 after one quarter, the Eagles outscored Urban Lutheran 27-6 in the second to take a 33-8 halftime lead.

April LaBenne led PCA with 10 points and seven rebounds. Amanda Saagman contributed eight points, all in the first half, and

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Ellen Canale (15, white jersey) played a lot of minutes for Salem as a sophomore last season, which should make her a more formidable player this year.

## Experienced Rocks should fare better this season

BY C.J. RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

Last year, Salem girls basketball coach Fred Thomann was faced with rebuilding his team around mostly underclassmen. It took some time, not everything went smoothly, but the Rocks finished

the season with a 13-9 record. This season, Thomann has much the same task at hand —

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# Can rebuilt Schoolcraft College repeat last year's success?

BY C J RISAK  
STAFF WRITER

A work in progress  
Using such terminology to describe a college volleyball team sounds suspiciously like tagging it with a "rebuilding" label. True, initial appearances indicate that's what Schoolcraft College's volleyball team will be doing following its 44-15 season which ended with a trip to the NJCAA Division II Finals.

Gone from that Ocelot team are Noelle Swartz, Kerstin Marshall, Desiree Betts, Meghan Mitchell, Carly Szajnecki, Sheila Gillies and Katie Drews.

That's seven top-notch players. Returning are Holly Soldenski, a 5-foot-9 outside hitter, Stephanie Koslowski, a 5-8 left-side hitter, Emily Sorensen, a 5-6 defensive specialist, and Katrina Napier, a 6-1 middle blocker.

Sure looks like a rebuilding project.

But don't think SC coach Tom Teeters is approaching it like that.

"We lost a good group of kids," he said. Asked if this team can be as good as last season's, Teeters replied, "It can be."

"It can be better, too."

There are a large number of promising newcomers to bolster those hopes.

It starts with redshirt freshman Kathleen Knutson, a 6-foot middle blocker and Westland John Glenn gradu-

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ate Knutson spent last year at Eastern Michigan, where she was red-shirted, before transferring to SC. She'll have two years of eligibility remaining.

"She can put the ball away pretty well," said Teeters.

Two other newcomers expected to have an impact include Liz Fredlund and Kelly Sines, both 5-9 hitters in high school who are being transformed into setters.

Fredlund is from Warren Tower, Sines from Clinton.

Then there's Meghan McAuliffe, a 5-10 left side outside hitter from Gibraltar. Gabriel Richard who is overcoming a knee injury suffered last winter, Mayssa Bazzi, a 5-5 defensive specialist/libero from Dearborn, Angie Wangler, a 5-11 right-side hitter from Warren Mott, Kate Carluccio, a 5-5 defensive specialist/left-side hitter from Sterling Heights, Caitlin O'Hara, a 5-4 defensive specialist from Monroe St. Mary's, the Class C state champs, Kari McLeod, a 5-9 outside hitter from South Glenn, Christina Southers, a 5-11 middle/right-side hitter from Dearborn Divine Child, Dara Jose, a 5-7 defensive specialist from Manchester, Shannah Jones, a 5-9 left-side hitter from Wayne Memorial who has improved her hitting consistency, and Sara Fensch,

a 5-8 defensive/serving specialist from Belleville.

"Liz and Kelly are further ahead in setting than we thought they'd be," said Teeters, adding, "Our serve reception and consistency are areas we can shore up the most."

"Our serving is strong. We have more jump servers this year than we had last year, and we had four of them last year."

Asked his team's strength, Teeters replied knowing what it would take for the Ocelots to turn the corner — and who would have to guide the team there.

"Our coaching staff," he said, naming Dale Hartzell, Debby Betts, Dennis Betts and Mary Barberio.

Asked who among the players was showing the most promise, Teeters said, "Knutson is offering a good, solid middle, and Katrina has improved in the middle."

"We're learning our strengths as we go along, but they are good students."

They'd better be quick learners when it comes to teams like St. Clair County CC, Delta College and Macomb CC, Henry Ford CC, Mott CC, Oakland CC, Alpena and Wayne County CC all figure to be poised for a move up.

What SC will try to avoid with a largely new team is a move down in the standings.

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# Long pass lifts Lions to win over Twisters

The kicking game was the difference Saturday as the Michigan Twisters lost for the first time this season, 13-6 to the Cleveland Lions, the American Football Association's AAA National Champions, at Willow Run Devlin Stadium.

The difference in the game was in the kicking game, with the Lions provided by Joe Lindway, who connected on 26-yard and 39-yard field goal attempts in the first half to give Cleveland a 6-0 lead.

After Twister defensive back Rich Peoples forced a Lions' fumble that was recovered by Michigan's Roy Williams at the Lions' 32, Twister quarterback Orlando Wright threw a 28-yard

## FOOTBALL

touchdown pass to Dontu Hamilton to knot it at 6-all. The extra-point kick was blocked, leaving the score knotted.

The winning margin came with 5:19 to play in the third quarter — a 94-yard Lions' touchdown pass to Rico Franklin and the extra-point kick.

Both teams' defenses dominated most of the way. Linebacker Aaron Brothers topped the Twisters with 10 tackles, linebacker William Wheeler had eight. Linebacker Kam Watson intercepted a pass and

returned it 68 yards, but the scoring opportunity slipped away under the weight of several penalties.

Jason Gibson had 47 yards rushing on 15 carries and Jaquan Wright had 46 yards on four tries. Hamilton had four receptions for 71 yards and a touchdown.

The Lions got 44 rushing yards on 17 attempts from Mark Patterson, and Franklin had two catches for 106 yards and a TD. The Twisters are idle until Sept. 6 when they travel to Kokomo, Ind., to play the Indiana Mustangs. They return home to play the unbeaten Detroit Seminoles (3-0) Sept. 13 at Eastern Michigan's Rynearson Stadium.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

### FESTIVAL RUN

The Plymouth Fall Festival is sponsoring a 5K run, hoping to add some fun and bring in some money to defray costs.

The run is set for Sunday, Sept. 7, with registration at 7:30 a.m. and the run at 8:45 a.m. The 5K walk will follow at 9 a.m. Awards and a raffle are set for 10 a.m. The run is divided into age divisions: 14-and-under, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59 and 60-and-over. The top two finishers in each age division, male and female, will receive awards. Also, the top overall male and female finishers will receive awards.

Race-day registration is \$20 for adults, \$15 for kids 10-and-under. Food and refreshments will be available for all participants.

### PCJBA REGISTRATION

The Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association will conduct registration for third through-eighth grade boys and girls from 6:30-8 p.m. on Aug. 28 and again on Sept. 8 at East Middle School. This will be first-come, first-served based on school gym space available.

Registration fees are: 3-6 grades, \$110; 5-6 grades, \$120; and 7-8 grades, \$125. All students in the Plymouth-Canton school district and in Canton Township are eligible. All players will play in each game, but no player will play an entire game. Tryouts will be conducted

prior to team selection in order to equalize teams. Players will play approximately 10 games and a tournament, and can keep their jersey.

Parents interested in coaching should register on the same dates.

### FALL SPORTS

High Velocity Sports in Canton will offer the following activities this fall.

**Adult indoor soccer:** The league will run from Sept. 8 through Oct. 26, with a total of eight games. Cost is \$65 for individuals, \$600 for teams.

**Soccer clinics:** Instructional soccer clinics are running now through Oct. 24, for those three-years old to adult. There are eight classes for each group, beginning with Small Stars (3-4 year olds with parents), Kicks with Kids (4-5 year olds and 6-7 year olds), Goalkeeper Clinic (9-12 year olds), Finishing School (9-12 year olds), Beginning Booters (8-11 year olds) and a Womens/Mens Clinic for adults.

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**Roller hockey:** This league will run from Oct. 2 through Dec. 23, teams playing 10 games plus the playoffs. Cost is \$135 for individuals (plus a \$20 jersey fee) and \$1,200 for teams.

**Lacrosse:** The various leagues, which start at under-10 and run to adult, begins Sept. 2

and goes to Oct. 26. It includes seven games plus the playoffs.

Cost is \$95 for adults and \$850 for teams.

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### BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts for the Pirates' and Cardinals' 11-year-old teams will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday Sept. 6 and conclude at 4 p.m. Sunday Sept. 7. Interested players must report for tryouts on Saturday.

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## MADONNA

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Suder finished with 18 digs, and Frost finished with 50 set assists, 11 digs and three blocks.

Madonna, which failed to win the opening game in all

but one match, was led by Bush in the win over Urbana, she had 20 kills (359) and five digs. Lesko totaled 18 kills (379), three aces and seven digs. Morrill got 11 kills (733), two aces and seven digs. Timina had 11 kills (345), two aces and five digs

and Frost had three kills, 41 set assists and two aces. Lesko and Suder were named to the all-tournament team.

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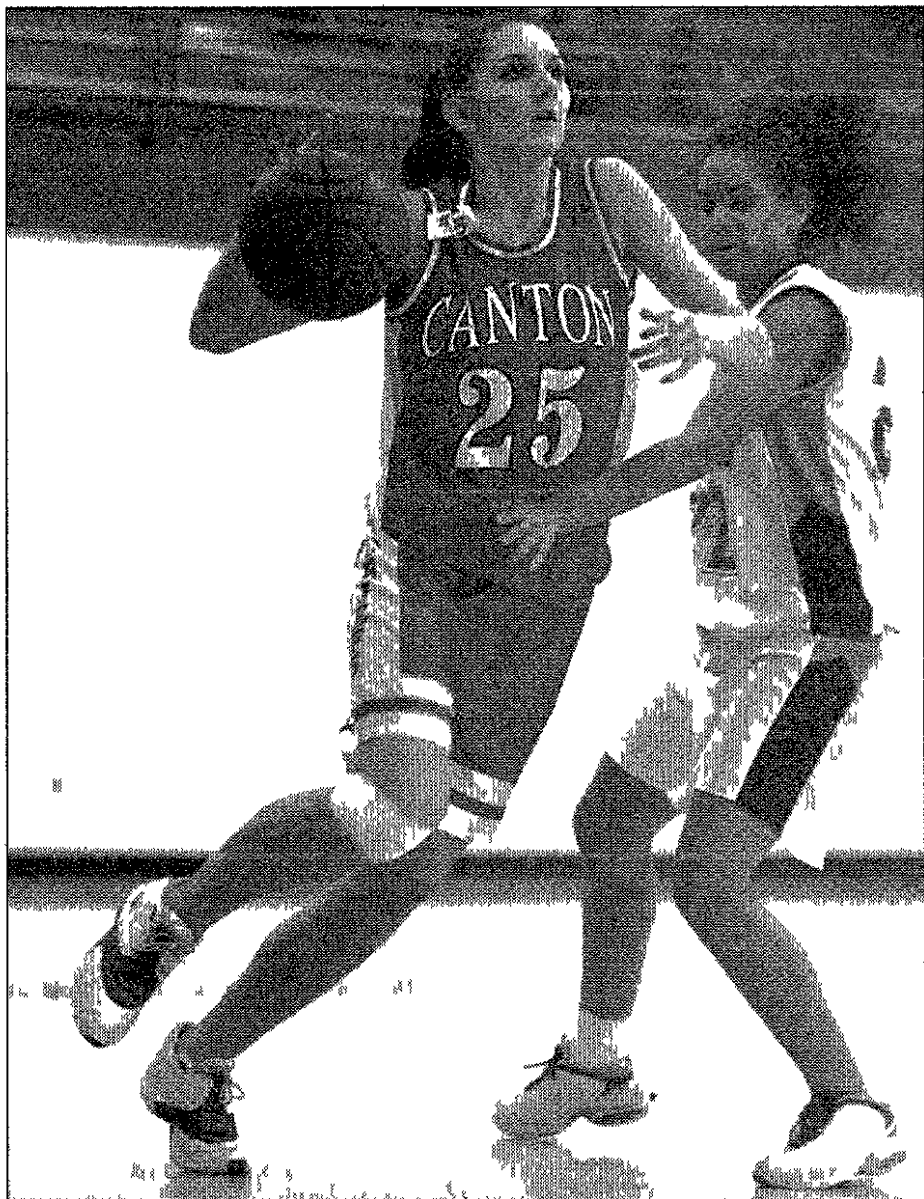
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**CHIEFS**

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to find their own identity

And so the search has begun for the identity of the 2003 Chiefs. There will be some carryover, but gone are six graduated seniors in Kristen Lake, Briana Wolcott, Jessica Johnson, Christina Redd, Alana Abdal and Colleen O'Brien. Three of them were starters.

There are two returnees, however, which give Canton hope for the upcoming campaign. Katie Cezat, a 5-foot-11 junior and the Chiefs' leading scorer (16.2 points a game) and rebounder (10.7) last season, is back — which is enough to bolster most team's aspirations.

But there's more. Also returning is starting point guard Rachele Guastella, a 5-5 senior.

Four other seniors who played on the varsity last season are back. Sarah Samulski, a 5-10 forward who missed the season with a torn anterior cruciate (knee) ligament, Jennifer Heldt, a 5-9 forward, Heather Richardson, a 5-5 guard, and Sarah DiMeglio, a 6-3 center whose injured ankle hampered her all last season. Off-season surgery

should have corrected the problem, but DiMeglio hasn't played much in the last year.

Four others who were on the junior varsity a season ago will battle for playing time, but a freshman who will play with the varsity and has been impressive thus far is Becci Houdek, a 5-5 point guard. 'She's a good player, and she's exceptionally good at seeing the court,' said Blohm.

The four former JV standouts are Molly Conlon, a 5-6 junior guard, Anna Quinn, a 5-4 junior guard, Molly Przybylski, a 5-6 junior forward, and Lisa Ealy, a 5-7 sophomore guard.

The Chiefs always seem to put a good, competitive product on the floor, capable of playing with anyone. With the return of Cezat and Guastella, this season doesn't figure to be any different.

Can it match last season's performance? That might be a stretch.

One plus is having two returning starters, one on the perimeter and one on the post,' said Blohm. 'What last season's team developed into was a real good rebounding team. They got something like 60 percent of the rebounds, which means we got a lot of second shots.'

'That's been our theme in the preseason — rebounding,

at both ends of the floor. Will we have the patience to get off a good shot, and can we get a second shot? And can we keep (the opposition) from getting a second shot?'

One factor Blohm always stresses is taking care of the ball and preventing turnovers.

If you're not that big, you have to be able to handle the ball, take care of the ball and get the shot you want, he explained. You can't turn the ball over more than 10, 12 times a game.

Experience is going to be a factor. It always counts for a lot. And the only place to get it is on the court.'

How good the Chiefs can be with a new cast surrounding Cezat and Guastella is problematic.

I think Guastella and Cezat will have good seasons,' said Blohm. We'll just get the other kids into the game and see how they respond, how they play.

Blohm picked Walled Lake Western, which returns all five starters, in the WLA's Western Division and Salem, which lost just two seniors, in the Lakes.

But if history has taught us anything, it's don't ever count a Bob Blohm coached Canton team out.

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**ROCKS**

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building his team with mostly underclassmen. Gone are two seniors, Stephanie Philips and Laura Baumgarten.

But this season will be different. Four starters are back, with a total of six players returning.

The core for a successful season is in place.

'We have the makings of a really good basketball team,' said Thomann. Because they're more experienced than last season's?

'Yes,' he answered, then added, 'Plus we're good. We've got some good athletes.'

It starts with the four returning starters. Two of them are seniors: 6-foot-2 post player Kathy

Hammerschmidt and 5-5 guard Carly Schwan.

They, however, are the Rocks only seniors. Not to suggest the team lacks experience. Ellen Canale, a 5-8 guard/wing player, and Alyssa Guern, a 5-9 wing, each started last season and played a ton of minutes. Both are juniors. 'They've really demonstrated they have great scoring abilities,' said Thomann.

Katherine Wheatley, a 5-8 wing, and Jamie Siedlaczak, a 5-7 guard, also return, they, too, are juniors and they also played on the varsity last season.

Among several promising newcomers to the team is a freshman who has impressed Thomann. Teresa Coppellie, a 5-11 post player. She's very good, he said, adding that Coppellie 'will start on Thursday when the Rocks open the season by hosting state ranked West

Bloomfield.

Others who are bound to make an impact are junior Justina

Youngblood, a 5-11 post player and a transfer from Dearborn Divine Child who has proven to be very durable, a solid player, and junior Gabrielle McIntosh, a 5-7 wing player who was on the junior varsity last season.

Two sophomores on the varsity are Lauren Price, a 5-10 post player, and Becky Ward, a 5-8 wing.

It's evident Salem will have plenty of size at its disposal this season. The question is, has the experience level risen enough? More directly, can the Rocks score points? Last season, putting the ball in the hoop was a problem. Philips was their leading scorer at nine points a game.

Our decision making last season wasn't what it needed to be, said Thomann. Our defense was good

but we ended up playing a lot of zone to cover up our weaknesses.

'This season we won't have to do that as much.'

Thomann is also banking on the defense creating some offensive opportunities, which should help put points on the board and open things up on that end of the court. Indeed, the Rocks overall development in shooting the basketball may be their most obvious improvement.

'A number of our players have shown they can knock down shots, the Salem coach said. They can score from the perimeter. Our perimeter play will be much better because everyone is back.

And they work really hard on defense.'

If the Rocks have improved as much as indicated, they could be moving up the Western Lakes Activities Association ladder. Walled

Lake Western, which returns all five starters from last season's solid team, is among the conference favorites, so is defending champ

Canton, at least in the Western Division. In the Lakes, Walled Lake Central 'had a good run last season' but must replace several players.

If Salem is to move up, several factors must come together, all centering on how quickly the team matures.

Maturity — confidence goes hand-in-hand with that, said Thomann. Every season has its ups and downs. We have to see if this team can fight through the downs.

Once they get a few games behind them, this team will shape its own destiny.

And it could be quite a promising one.

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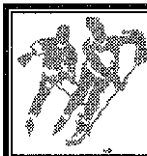
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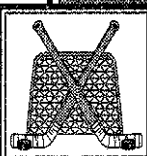
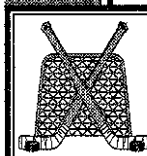


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**ACAPE**

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Holly Johnson had six points and seven steals  
**Stevenson 48, N. Farmington 43:** Freshman Rachel Desentz scored a game high 23 points Tuesday as Livonia Stevenson (1-0) held off host North Farmington (0-1)

Danielle Smith contributed 10 points while Kristen Truszkowski and Katie Armbruster added seven and six, respectively

Stevenson led 21-12 at halftime, but North closed in during the second half with five 3 pointers

They shot the lights out, it was a dogfight the last two quarters, Stevenson first-year coach Tim Newman said. I thought our guards, Lauren Trosell and Lauren Brodie, did an outstanding job getting the ball down the floor against their constant pressure and getting the ball to our shooters

Becca Weiss, who hit three triples led North with 15 points. Lindsay Lawley added 13 points and nine rebounds, while Jamie Hurlz had eight points

**Monroe 59, Wayne 24:** Center Ashley Schatzle scored a game high 15 points and Sarah Howe added 11 Tuesday as the Trojans (1-0) rolled past host Wayne Memorial (0-1) in the season opener for both schools

Monroe jumped out to a 32-10 halftime advantage

"Monroe is the real deal," Wayne coach Dan Kaminski said. They're the quickest team I've ever seen. They also have good size

Senior guard Renita Price, who played three quarters, led

Wayne with 12 points  
**Dearborn 57, Churchill 42:** Sophomore guard Yvonne Hamood poured in a game-high 20 points and junior guard Chris Falzon added 19 Tuesday as the host Pioneers (1-0) downed Livonia Churchill (0-1) in the season opener for both schools. Dearborn jumped out to a 17-3 lead at the outset and a 19-9 first-quarter advantage before the Chargers cut the lead to 27-21 at halftime

The Pioneers, getting 13 second-half points from Hamood, pulled away with a 17-9 third-quarter run. Junior guard Robyn Johnson tallied 14 points for Churchill, while senior guard Ashley Cecil and sophomore center Haley Weddle added eight each. Weddle also grabbed 12 rebounds

"We got outplayed tonight, Churchill coach Rod Windle said. They out-quicked us and forced 28 turnovers

**RU 49, Franklin 30:** A 19-3 fourth quarter run sparked by Martina Franklin carried host Redford Union (1-0) past Livonia Franklin (0-1) in Tuesday's season opener for both teams

Franklin, trailing by only three after three quarters, 30-27, had just three free throws and no field goals in the decisive final period

It didn't help the Patriots that RU's Franklin scored nine of her 22 points in the period. She also wound up with 15 rebounds, five steals and four blocks

Shantia Brown and Keke Young added eight points apiece for the Panthers. Brown also grabbed 10 rebounds

"We put them on the line too many times (14) in the fourth quarter," said Franklin coach

Mary Kay Whalen. "And their post player (Franklin) put shots away. That was the difference"

Carly Muncy led Franklin with 12 points, while Jessica Regner contributed six. Freshman Robyn Whalen pulled down 14 rebounds for the Patriots

**R.O. Shrine 36, Luth. Westland 24:** Junior center Maria Mazzocco scored 12 points as host Royal Oak Shrine (1-0) advanced to tonight's championship game of its own tournament at the expense Tuesday of Lutheran High Westland (0-1)

Junior guard Samantha Wiemer scored 12 for the Warriors, who trailed 19-4 after one quarter. Megan Bahr finished with five, while Elyse Gieschen had seven rebounds and four points

"We looked very, very tight," Lutheran Westland coach Ron Gentz said. "They outrebounded us two-to-one. They've got size and we didn't box out well. Too many second and third shot opportunities. The first half we rebounded poorly"

**Inter-City 53, Huron Valley 11:** Sophomore guard Anita Stamps sealed Westland Huron Valley Lutheran's fate in the season opener with a game-high 24 points to lead host Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (1-0) past the Hawks (0-1)

Inter-City led 20-3 at intermission

Emily Van Houten added nine for the victorious Chargers

Huron Valley, which committed 37 turnovers, got eight points from Becky Schultz

"We looked scared, it was a look of panic," Huron Valley coach Kris Ruth said. "You name it, I saw it."

**SHOOTOUT**

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10 in the state in their respective divisions

"We had a really good weekend," said Canton coach George Tomasso, particularly impressed with the two shutouts recorded by his keeper, Steven Mischung. We started off very well

"They actually responded and played higher than I expected. They keep adapting and reacting to everything I teach them"

In Canton's opener against Midland Dow, Dutch Morrell got Canton on the board with a penalty kick goal, Brad Marsh contributed an insurance score, assisted by Adam Stanko, to make the final 2-0

The Chiefs second match had more to offer them, in terms of competition and motivation. The Pioneers were not only ranked among the top five in the state, they were the team that eliminated Canton in the state district tournament last fall

It was our most competitive game," said Tomasso. "Pioneer didn't just eliminate them last year, they have to play them again Thursday (5:30 p.m. at Canton)"

Andy Cortellini provided the Chiefs with all the offense they would need, scoring off a corner kick in the opening half to make it 1-0 at the break and then adding a transition goal in the second half to boost Canton's lead to 2-0. Pioneer got one back, but could not get the equalizer, losing 2-1

The offensive outburst didn't carry over to the title match against East Lansing, a Division 2 state finalist in 2002. Regulation ended scoreless, the Trojans won the shootout

It all came down to finishing, said Tomasso. "We just

didn't finish our chances. But (Pioneer) had some good chances in the first half, too"

For Salem, it was another story. The Rocks played defending Division 1 champion Rochester, which beat them in last year's state final, in their opening match and lost in a shootout. Salem then defeated Bloomfield Hills Lahser (a Division 2 state finalist last season) 1-0 and state-ranked Troy Athens 4-3

"Yeah, we found our scoring touch," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy of his team's win over Athens

However, none of those scores will hold up unless the Michigan High School Athletic Association reverses the self-imposed penalty Salem put on itself. It seems one of the Rocks' players had been declared academically ineligible after last spring and had to take summer school classes to regain both his eligibility and class status — which he did

But he was not officially reinstated academically until Monday, making him ineligible to play last Saturday. Thinking the completion of his academic work meant immediate reinstatement, McCarthy used the player, which means Salem had to forfeit all three games

"Ultimately, it's my responsibility and the athletic department's responsibility to make sure he's eligible," said McCarthy. "He shouldn't have played"

Whether or not the statistics from the tournament can be counted is something else the Salem team must wait for a ruling on. The win against Lahser came on an own-goal, credited to Steve Gzicki, in the first half

In the win over Athens, Chris Conlisk, Thago Harris, Dave Hall and Brad Zonca each scored goals. Salem led 3-1 with six minutes left in the match, three goals in those final min-

utes (the Red Hawks never tied it) made the finish exciting

Unfortunately, it very likely won't count as a win on the Rocks' record

**DeLaSalle 0, Salem 0:** In a non-league match Monday at Warren DeLaSalle, the two long-time state powers battled to a scoreless draw. The tie left Salem with an 0-3-1 record officially

Tom Huls was in goal for the Rocks, making 15 saves, according to Salem coach Ed McCarthy

"He was the best player on the field," the Salem coach said of his keeper

Although the three matches played at the Balcon Tournament went down as losses for Salem, Huls did have two shutouts. If he is able to count those statistically, he'll have three in four matches thus far this season

**Novi 2, Canton 1:** This is the kind of game that drives a coach nuts

The Chiefs had the better of the play for almost all of the match. They scored first, with Ross Maltby putting one into the back of the net in the first minute of the second half to make it 1-0

But Novi, which managed only a couple trips into Canton's end of the field, got the equalizer on one of them and then converted a penalty kick with 5:03 left in the match for the game-winning margin

"I give Novi a lot of credit," said Canton coach George Tomasso. "They played hard, defended well and took advantage of their opportunities"

Steven Mischung was in goal and, again, played superbly. "He's playing some of the best goal I've seen in a long time," said Tomasso

The loss leaves Canton at 2-1-1

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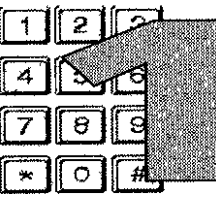


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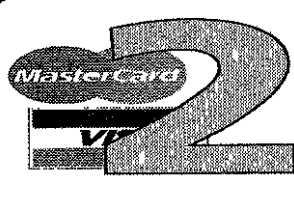
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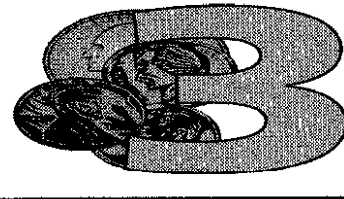
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# Every thing old is new again

BY BRAD EMONS  
STAFF WRITER

OK, enough of blackouts and Tigers baseball

Starting tonight, the lights go back on and the best bang for your buck is back

High school football, nothing like it

In trying to sort out this extended weekend's openers — while in the midst of doing 54 fall sports previews — it's evident that some things never change

Let's get something out of the way first

Redford Catholic Central, gunning for its third straight Division I state championship, is as good as advertised

Where everybody else in the area falls in line is anybody's guess

Best matchups this weekend — Ann Arbor Pioneer at Canton, Lutheran Westland at Livonia Clarenceville, Wayne at Livonia Stevenson, Redford Thurston at Southgate

As for the prognostication race, when you win the overall title, you get to write up the first installment of grid predictions

That means I'm the defending champion, going 86-14 during the regular season and 6-2 in the playoffs for an overall aggregate of 92-14

Redford-Garden City sports editor Paul Beaudry jumped into second place with a 7-1 playoff run after going 75-25 in the regular season

Bringing up the rear, as usual, was Plymouth Canton sports editor C J Risak who went 76-24 during the regular season and 4-4 in the playoffs

So the slate is wiped clean for 2003 and it's time to get moving once again

Here is a look at this weekend's games

**THURSDAY GAMES**  
(all at 7 p.m. unless noted)

**St. Katharine Drexel Bishop Borgess (17) at B H Cranbrook (6-4) 4 p.m.** Cranbrook a play off qualifier in Division V last year is expected to challenge for first in the Metro Conference

The Cranes return 17 seniors including eight starters both ways led by quarterback DB Ryan Karolak and lineman Ed Duke

**PICKS Cranbrook - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**DH Robichaud (0-8) vs Redford Union (4-4) at Hilbert Jr High (Kraft Field)** The Panthers are moving to the Gold Division and that should help Robichaud led by speedy wideouts Maurice Love and David Thomas

**PICKS Redford Union - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Wayne (1-8) at Liv Stevenson (7-3)** This is a game that could be high scoring

Wayne under new coach Craig Hnatuk is led by quarterback Brad Wilson tailback T J Dillard and Terrill Ford Stevenson also has plenty of skill paced by Dave King Keith Hearn and I nebacker deluxe Jeff Hollandsworth

**PICKS Stevenson - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Det Kettering (6-4) at Westland Glenn (8-2)** Kettering under new coach Bruce Wilson returns its entire backfield of Daumon Gurley Leonard Curry and Art Evans after losing in the first round of the Division 2 state playoffs to Lincoln Park 40-15

Glenn will rely on a new quarterback and a new tailback (Matt Smitherman)

**PICKS John Glenn - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**AA Pioneer (9-3) at Canton (9-2)** Two playoff teams from a year ago meet in an early season showdown

Both teams are hard hit by graduation losses but Pioneer lost 28 seniors Scott Martin a free safety and Sam Miller a two way lineman both return

Devin Thomas is the trump card for Canton

**PICKS**

**Canton - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Salem (2-7) at Pinckney (1-8)** Nowhere to go but up for these two teams

Pinckney is picked last in the Kensington Valley Conference while Salem expects to be improved in the Western Lakes

**PICKS Salem - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Lutheran Westland (4-5) at Liv Clarenceville (8-2) 7:30 p.m.** The Trojans are unbeaten in the Metro Conference

four straight years Backfield returns Jeff Fioretti who gained 1324 yards and Bruno Shkreli will be tough to stop

The Warriors are led by fullback linebacker Dan Haller

**PICKS Clarenceville - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**FRIDAY GAMES**  
**M H Bishop Foley (1-8) at Liv Churchill (4-5)** The Ventures with no starters returning and a new coach (Mike Sheda) are an adventure

picked last in the Catholic League's AA Division on Churchill is led by quarterback Justin Grohoski and a speedy backfield of Patrick McFalls Er k George and Jon Bunzeluk

**PICKS Churchill - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Liv Franklin (1-8) at Northville (2-7)** Franklin has a long history of frustration against the Mustangs

who return 10 starters led by quarterback Mark Sorenson

**Eric**

Pacific gets the call at 08 for the Patriots

**PICKS Northville - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Garden City (2-7) at Allen Park (11-2)** The host Jaguars are coming off a state semifinal run in Division I

Back Bryan Brighton committed to Michigan State scored 22 TDs last year and rushed for over 1300 yards

GC is moving from the Red Division to the White

**PICKS Allen Park - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**Red Thurston (8-2) at Southgate (5-4)** Both teams are predicted to win their divisions

Thurston in the Blue and the Titans in the White

Southgate returns eight holdovers on defense while Thurston is led by quarterback Corey Reid (committed to Colorado) and running back Chaz Bryant

**PICKS Southgate - Risak Beaudry Emons**  
**SATURDAY GAME**  
**Redford CC (13-1) vs Det Denby (4-5) 7 p.m. at Pontiac Silverdome**

There's a reason CC opens its season in Pontiac

The Shamrocks loaded once again and gunning for their third straight Division I state championship usually end up there

Denby which paid its dues in the Public School League's top division is led by wide receiver DJ James

Baley

**PICKS CC - Risak Beaudry Emons**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

**PREP FOOTBALL**  
**Thursday Aug 28**

St Katharine/Borgess at Cranbrook 4 p.m.  
Dearborn Heights Robichaud at Redford Union/Hilbert 7 p.m.  
Wayne at Stevenson 7 p.m.  
Det Kettering at John Glenn 7 p.m.  
A A Pioneer at Canton 7 p.m.  
Salem at Pinckney 7 p.m.  
Luth Westland at Clarenceville 7:30 p.m.

**Friday Aug 29**

Bishop Foley at Church II 7 p.m.  
Franklin at Northville 7 p.m.  
Garden City at Allen Park 7 p.m.  
Thurston at Southgate 7 p.m.

**Saturday Aug 30**

Redford CC vs Detroit Denby at Pontiac Silverdome 7 p.m.

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**  
**Thursday Aug 28**

Huron Valley at Rudolph Steiner 5:30 p.m.  
Nov at Canton 7 p.m.  
West Bloomfield at Salem 7 p.m.  
Woodhaven at Ladywood 7 p.m.

**(R.O. Shrine Tourney)**  
S ffd Christen vs Lutheran Westland 5:30 p.m.  
Shrine vs M H Lamphere 7:30 p.m.

**Friday Aug 29**

Franklin at Plymouth 7 p.m.

**BOYS SOCCER**  
**Thursday Aug 28**

Huron Valley at Clarenceville 4 p.m.  
Thurston at John Glenn 4 p.m.  
S feld Christian at Luth West and 4:30 p.m.  
A A Pioneer at Canton 5:30 p.m.

**Saturday Aug 30**

Salem at E Lansing Invitational 10 a.m.

**BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Thursday Aug 28**  
Canton at Athens Invitational 4:30 p.m.

**GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**  
**Thursday Aug 28**  
Canton at Athens Invitational 4:30 p.m.

**GIRLS TENNIS**  
**Thursday Aug 28**  
Ypsilanti at John Glenn 4 p.m.  
Garden City at Wayne 4 p.m.  
Ladywood at Mercy 4 p.m.

**Friday Aug 29**  
Crestwood at Thurston 10 a.m.  
Churchill at Berkeley 4 p.m.

**BOYS GOLF**  
**Thursday Aug 28**  
CC vs U D Jesuit (Cattaraugus) 4 p.m.

**GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY**  
**Thursday Aug 28**  
Ladywood at Mar an 5:30 p.m.

**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL**  
**Friday Saturday Aug 29-30**  
Schoolcraft at St. Clair's Tourney TBA  
Madonna at Fort Lewis (Colorado) TBA

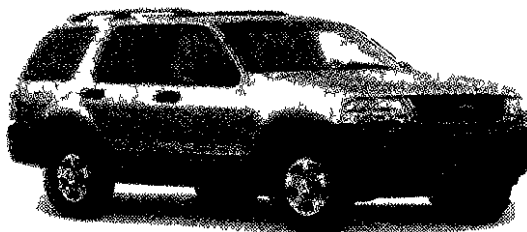
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER**  
**Thursday Sunday Aug 27-31**  
Schoolcraft at Missouri Tourney TBA  
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

**Saturday Aug 30 (CLC Invitational - Grayslake, Ill.)**  
Schoolcraft vs Iowa Central TBA

**Sunday Aug 31 (CLC Invitational - Grayslake, Ill.)**  
Schoolcraft vs Lake County TBA  
TBA time to be announced

### Get the vehicle you want

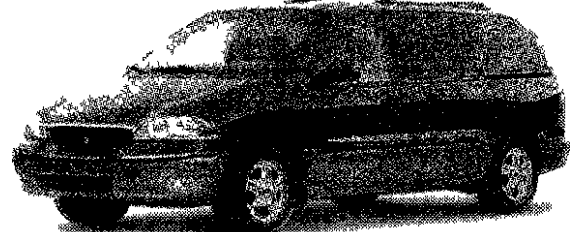
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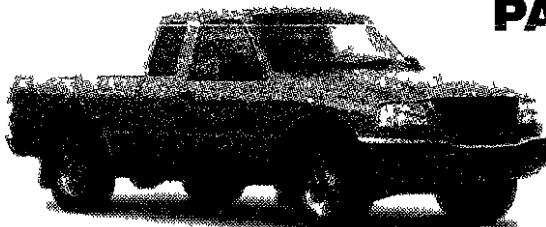


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Includes acquisition fee excludes tax title and license fee  
Customer cash due at signing is net of all rebates Payment includes \$2000 RCL cash



Current Ford Employee lessees can Re Lease a 2003 Taurus SE

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Includes acquisition fee excludes tax title and license fee  
Customer cash due at signing is net of all rebates Payment includes \$500 renewal cash plus \$3500 RCL cash



### IF YOU HAVEN'T LOOKED AT FORD LATELY... LOOK AGAIN.



(1)Some payments higher, some lower. Not all Lessees will qualify for lowest payment. For special lease terms and RCL Cash \$5000 RCL cash on 2003 Explorer 4dr \$5000 RCL cash on 2003 Windstar \$4000 RCL cash on 2003 F-150 L/D (excludes Lightning Harley Davidson & Supercrew) \$4000 RCL cash on 2003 Ranger \$3500 RCL cash on 2003 Taurus \$2000 RCL cash on 2003 Focus (excludes SVT/PZEV) Take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 9/30/2003 for Taurus Ranger and Focus Take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 9/2/2003 for F Series Windstar and Explorer RCL Cash may be taken in cash but is used towards down payment in examples shown Lease renewal cash of \$1000 on Explorer 4dr and F 150 LD plus \$1000 F 150 to F 150 renewal cash (excludes Lightning Super Crew Harley) \$500 on Windstar and Taurus only available to customers terminating their Ford Division Red Carpet Lease and re-lease a Ford Division Product for 36 months by selected end dates Leases terminated early qualify if terminated within program dates Supplies are limited not all dealers will have all featured models Residency restrictions apply See dealer for complete details All payment examples are for Current Ford Employees and eligible family member Lessees To be eligible for RCL payments or RCL incentives you must finance through Ford Credit

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## Accents

### Call for members

All members of the Cranbrook House and Gardens Auxiliary are invited to a New Members Wine and Cheese Party 5:30-7:30 p.m.



Tuesday Sept. 30 at the Holmes residence in Bloomfield Hills

The price of admission is at least one prospective member.

Only auxiliary members bringing prospective members will be eligible to attend and to win the door prize: an original painting by Mary Duncan.

Register your prospective member's name when you RSVP.

Call (248) 645-3149 by Friday Sept. 26.

### Master suite

Studies by Harvard's Joint Center for Housing Studies show that home improvement has become the national pastime.

In the first quarter of 2003 remodeling expenditures grew 6.1 percent.

The fastest growing area in remodeling is the master suite.

On average, one-third of your life is spent in your bedroom, said Karen Carter, author of *Move Your Stuff, Change Your Life: How to Use Feng Shui to Get Love, Money, Respect and Happiness*. Tips from Carter on proper Feng Shui for your bedroom include:

Buy a wooden bed if you have the choice. Metal beds can conduct electricity, which can be a health hazard.

Check the lighting level to see if it is not too harsh (yang) or dim (yin).

Listen for distracting sounds and try to alleviate or remove them.

Avoid large living plants in the bedroom. Create a headboard for the bed and place it against the most solid wall in the room.

If your bed is in line with a doorway, hang a crystal between the bed and that area.

### Fall violet sale

The Michigan State African Violet Society is having its annual fall display and sale from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday Oct. 4 and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday Oct. 5 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.

Admission is free. There will be standard African violets, minis, semiminis and trailers for sale.

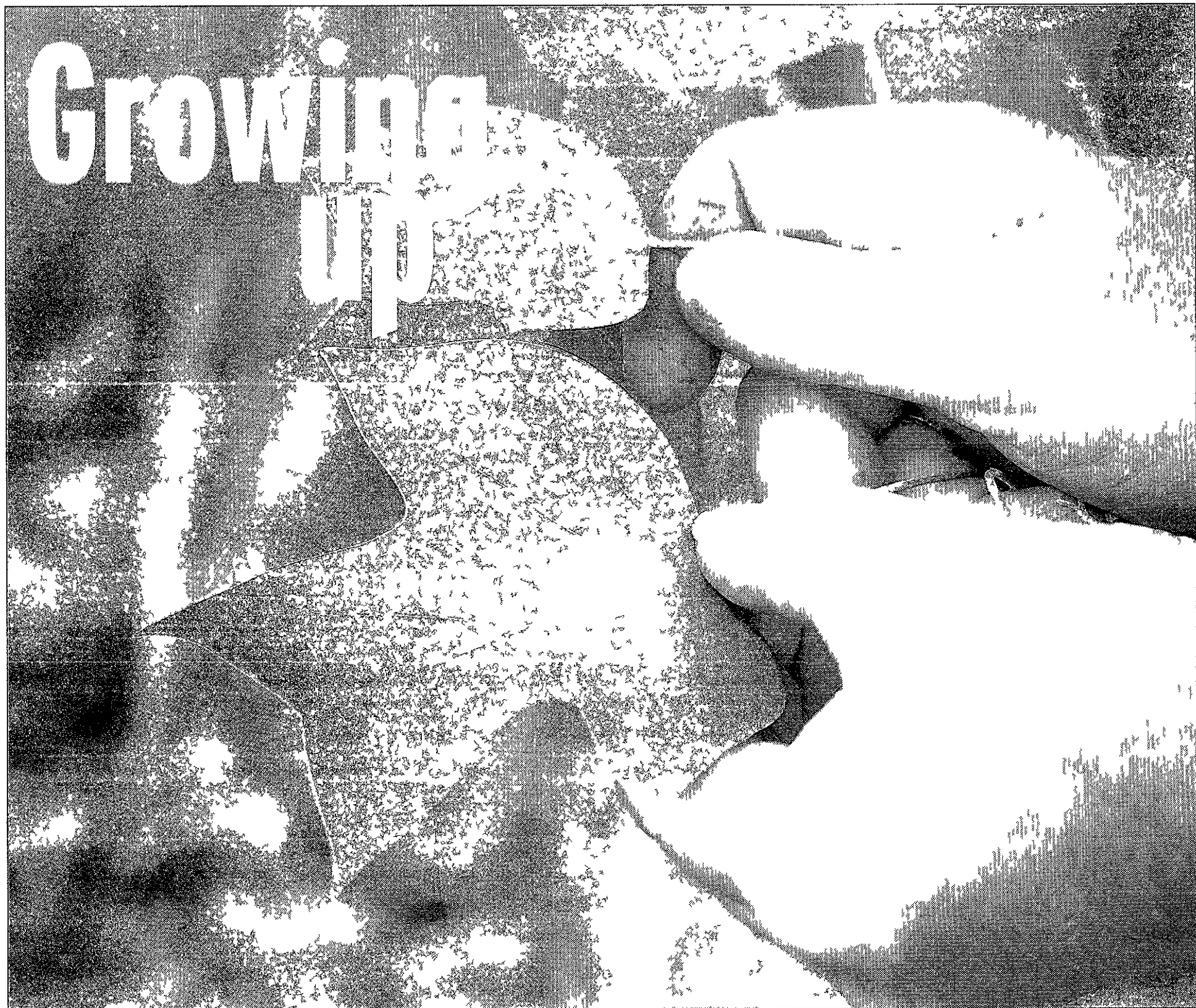
### Make home safe

Here are a few home safety tips you can work on this fall.

Install a peep hole in your door.

Light your yard or garden well so that prowlers won't have a place to hide.

If you happen to move this fall, change the locks on the front door immediately.



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Roy Prentice, farm manager at the MSU Tollgate Education Center, shows the distinctive leaves of a yellow poplar or tulip tree.

## Fall is ideal season for planting trees

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

It's the time of the season for planting.

The fall climate can be an excellent environment for trees

to take root and grow to provide shade and noise barriers for homeowners.

Homeowners who plant throughout September can take advantage of cooler temperatures, as the ground won't dry as quickly and retains moisture a little longer than in the blazing August sun.

Evergreens can be planted in the summer, as long as you take precautions in extra watering and proper preparation of the hole to house the root ball, according to Beth Liskiewicz, master gardener and co-owner of Steinkopf Nursery in Farmington Hills.

"But fall is obviously an excellent time to plant," she said.

Richard Zoner, owner of Farmer John's Greenhouse, said, "The later you plant, the

less time it has to root and to prepare for winter."

Roy Prentice, farm manager at Michigan State University's Tollgate Education Center in Novi, said homeowners should plant when the leaves aren't

growing to minimize the stress. "You can get a lot of good root growth when you don't have a lot of stress on the tree," Prentice said. "You want to plant early enough (before

November) to get good root growth.

Soil temperatures should be 45 F or above to promote root growth. Holes in which the tree will be planted should be two to three times as large as the root ball with compost or peat moss included with the soil. The mix should be 4-to-1 soil to compost ratio, Prentice said.

The surrounding clay should be mixed with the compost and soil mix, but planters should take care not to create a "bathtub" effect with the tree's root area. All ropes should be cut

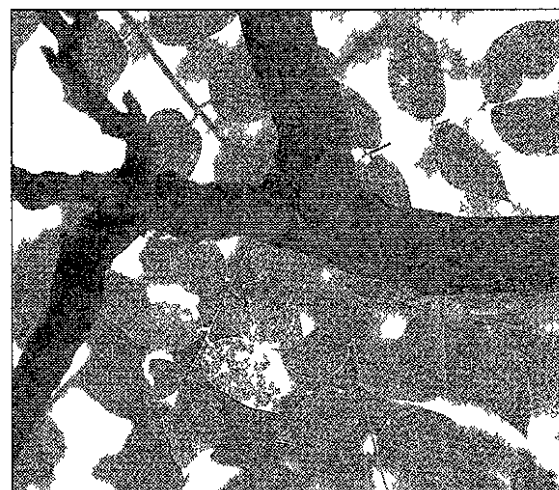
**'The later you plant, the less time it has to root and to prepare for winter.'**

Richard Zoner  
Farmer John's Greenhouse owner

PLEASE SEE PLANTING, C7



Prentice holds the leaves and reveals the distinctive pods of a catalpa tree, which bloom into large white flowers each spring.



Leaves from a Kentucky Coffee Tree at the MSU Tollgate Education Center. One of farm manager Roy Prentice's picks for trees to plant in your yard.

## Emerald ash borer devastates

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

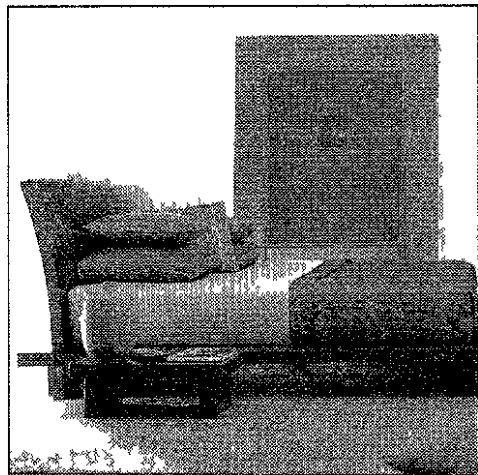
In the late 1970s, Dutch elms nearly were wiped out by a fungus that attacked the water-conducting system on the tree. Nearly 30 years later, the emerald ash

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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.



### Take note of In Concert

Gorman's Home Furnishings and Interior Design announces the addition of In Concert, one of two sophisticated and handsomely crafted new furniture collections by Henredon to the company's Novi, Southfield, Troy and Lakeside locations. The new lifestyle collections — In Concert and Courchevel — offer relaxed, contemporary and formal environments. Shown here are items from the 27-piece In Concert line. The king-sized, wood platform bed comes in two finishes — dark (opera) and light (aria) — and sits 12 1/2 inches from the ground. Complete with support for a mattress, the platform bed retails for \$4,999. The coordinating bedside table is available for \$569.

The deep chocolate finish has a very uptown, metropolitan feel; the more casual, natural finish that is champagne-colored adds depth and character to the furniture. Featuring chairs, tables, entertainment centers, beds, dressers and mirrors, these contemporary pieces have an Art Deco feel with clean and sleek silhouettes. Henredon's In Concert and Courchevel collections are now available at all Gorman's showrooms. For more information, visit [www.gormans.com](http://www.gormans.com) or call the stores in Novi (248) 344-0880, in Southfield (248) 353-9880, in Troy (248) 649-2070 or at Lakeside (586) 843-2000.



## Find inspiration for in garden, in home

The subjects of books for this month are quite varied, but I believe you'll find them most interesting and inspiring



Garden Spot

Marty Figley

Troy resident Helen Talvacchio has written just such a book

*Design - The Heart of a Garden* (self-published, \$25, call (248) 643-9664) takes the reader through her garden and shares her experiences with design and plants

Talvacchio uses parallels of creating a painting and creating a garden

"The paintings are not specific, they are different from paintings usually seen in garden books because the flowers aren't specific," she said

The detailed information about the many plants (mostly perennials) is excellent, as Talvacchio relates personal experiences and her thoughts throughout the seasons

A quick look at the index shows the scope of the book

Here is good, practical advice, eloquently expressed

### TREES AND SHRUBS

You won't want to miss the excellent information in *Tree & Shrub Gardening for Michigan*, Tim Wood and Alison Beck (Lone Pine Press, \$18.95)

This attractive book is user friendly, as Wood describes the features of 500 woody species, hybrids, varieties and cultivars that will perform well in our climate

### FOOD

*From the Garden to the Table: Growing, Cooking, and Eating Your Own Food*, Monty and Sarah Don (\$22.05, The Lyons Press) is divided into three sections

Section 1, The Garden, explains how and why the Dons garden

### PLANT PARTNERS

*Plant Partners*, Anna Pavord (\$20, DK Publishing), gives 'magical planting suggestions' to accompany herbaceous perennials that are the star performers in the garden

Two perfect partners are recommended for each of the 60 'stars' for each garden season

Pavord advises to look atimpatiens

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Gorgeous flower beds can result with good planning

picturesque There are also orchard and herb gardens

Monty gently and enthusiastically tells how this couple created the property and gardens

They use organic methods

In Section 2, The Kitchen, we find Sarah, who says, "The food I cook is heavily influenced by the season and is inspired by the garden"

Section 3 is devoted to personal insights about the weather, crops, feelings, etc

Recipes range from lavender shortbread to nettle soup, all are simple to make

The Dons' writing is very informative as they share all gardening chores from preparation, to seeds, greenhouse to tools

The photos by Simon Wheeler complement this inspiring book

What a privilege to meet this interesting family

explains how to really look at the flowers to see their uniqueness

This is an excellent book that takes the guesswork out of color combinations and opens another way to garden successfully

### HERBS

There is still much interest in herbs, used for cooking, potpourri, crafts, etc

The foliage (cilantro) of coriander has been used in cooking for hundreds of years, while the seeds have a nasty aroma until they ripen, then change to a pleasant one

So, in the Victorian language of flowers, the plant means hidden merit

Lavender is a favorite herb of many people and is still used for medicinal purposes, as well as crafts, cooking and perfumes

In the language of flowers, lavender symbolized mistrust

## Maintain an old refrigerator

The single greatest user of energy in most of our homes is the refrigerator

The "Blackout of 2003" showed us just how important this appliance is after a short time

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, refrigerators are the single biggest energy consumer in most households

Replacing a refrigerator bought in 1990 with a new ENERGY STAR qualified model would save enough energy to light the average household for over three months and over 300 pounds of pollution each year

ENERGY STAR is a program started by the Environmental Protection Agency in 1992, now partnered with the Department of Energy, to promote energy efficient products

Since the ENERGY STAR program started, refrigerators have become considerably more efficient

According to the EPA, refrigerators over ten years old can use twice as much electricity as new ENERGY STAR models

Of course replacing a working refrigerator is costly

I'm also concerned about the impact of many old refrigerators being placed into landfills

So, if you are like us and plan on using that old ice chest for a while, there are a few things you can do to make it run a little less costly

Most of these tips also apply to freezers

Keep the temperature in the fresh food box between 37 degrees and 40 degrees (0

degrees for freezers) Any cooler and you are using too much energy

Any warmer and you risk spoiled, dangerous food

In models with manual defrost, don't allow frost to build up more than one-quarter inch

Thick frost increases the running time on the motor

Close a dollar bill halfway in the door

If it is easily pulled out, the seals probably need replacing

Cover liquids and wrap foods

Moisture in the box makes the compressor work harder

Keep the condenser coils clean by vacuuming them a couple times a year

Try to keep the refrigerator away from heat sources and direct sunlight

Try to allow foods to cool before placing them in a refrigerator or freezer

Obviously warm foods will make the unit work harder

It should be noted however that many health professionals feel doing this can lead to food borne illnesses

Mark freezer items for easy identification

This helps minimize the time the door needs to be open

Chest type freezers hold the cold air inside when the door is open better than uprights

I found a wealth of energy saving tips and ideas dealing with appliances at

<http://www.energystar.gov/> for information on refrigerators at

[http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=refrig\\_pr\\_refrigerators](http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=refrig_pr_refrigerators)

Harry Jachym writes about home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects

He is a Plymouth resident

Send any questions or comments to Jachym at [askdad@comcast.net](mailto:askdad@comcast.net) or in care of Ken Abramczyk

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# 'Tradition' is full of football fun, memories A high-tech hunt for buried "treasure"

## "TRADITION"

By Bo Schembechler with Dan Ewald  
Huron River Press Hardcover \$49 suggested

BY PAUL BEAUDRY

Until now I thought that Jim Brandstatter's recent book, *Tales from Michigan Stadium* was the definitive book on the history of Michigan football. (And after knowing him for 15 years, I never thought I'd put Brandstatter and book in the same sentence without using the word coloring, but that's another story.)

And as he did many times as his coach, Bo Schembechler manages to knock Brandstatter off his perch - or at least gets him to move over and make room.

These two books together

merely dwarf all others - including Bo's own biography.

Where Brandstatter's book is an enjoyable read filled with the conspiratorial stories inside tales that only athletes can tell, Schembechler's *Tradition* with Dan Ewald, former public relations director for the Detroit Tigers, is a just shy-of-coffee table size, 221-page compilation of fun, anecdotes and memories.

There are tons of stories on the glory days and players of Michigan football, such as Tom Harmon, the Wistert Brothers, Bob Ufer, Bennie Oosterbaan, the 1950 Snow Bowl with Ohio State, Ron Kramer, and even two pages to Brandstatter.

There are sections on the building of Michigan Stadium, former U-M president Robben Fleming, the installation of the new Field Turf system at the stadium, and cheerleaders over the years.

There's even a section on equipment manager Jon Falk, the one man who knows where

all the bodies are buried because, odds are, he helped put them there.

And of course, there are remembrances by Schembechler - on his 1969 team on what college football become, his favorite players, the Michigan coaches since he left how he used to spend football weekends when he coached and what he does now, a large section on Woody Hayes and more.

But what strikes you most about the book are the photos. There are hundreds of them. Some, you've seen before - such as Tom Harmon's Life Magazine cover - or any one of number of Michigan football players, like Anthony Carter, John Kolesar, Stefan Humphries, Calvin Bell or Charles Woodson.

But there are some you haven't like Bo as a lefthanded high school pitcher, or my personal favorite - Michigan ball boy Jim Harbaugh, resplendent in checked pants, congratulating Rick Leach after a

U-M touchdown. There are copies of letters from Hayes and Fritz Crisler, a mock cover of Time for Fielding Yost and even a diagram from one of Bo's favorite plays - go figure, a draw play.

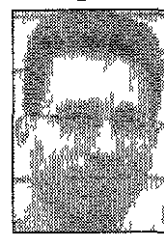
After more than 100 years of Michigan football, it's very hard to touch base on every aspect of the program's history. But between the anecdotes, asides, personal remembrances and the photos, Schembechler and Ewald have done a masterful job of weaving years worth of history and stories into the right package.

It's not a book that you'd bring on a plane or sit down with before going to bed - it just isn't the right size for it. But as an enjoyable memory album to show your friends or give to a diehard fan, *Tradition* is the perfect book.

And as Schembechler himself would say, "I flat out guarantee it."

Paul Beaudry is a sports editor for the Observer Newspapers.

Here's what I know about the treasure. It's hidden somewhere in the Robert H. Long Nature Park in Michigan. It's encased in



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

is a Garmin Geko 201 GPS. This is Geocaching, an engaging new pastime that turns GPS receivers into high-tech treasure maps. You're given a latitude and longitude - coordinates you zero in on with your GPS - and charged with finding the hidden booty - the 'cache.' It costs nothing to play (except for the GPS hardware, which you can buy for as little as \$100), and there's no shortage of caches - all of them created and hidden by other Geocaching enthusiasts.

The hotspot for all things Geocaching is Geocaching.com, where you'll find detailed instructions on getting started, a Geocache search engine, a message forum, and information on what kind of gear to buy (nearly any GPS will do).

The goal of Geocaching is neither riches nor thievery. A cache is usually a box, tin, or some other container filled with one or more bits of

treasure - a spool of thread, a tennis ball, a Smurf doll, and so on. You can claim something from the cache, but only if you leave a different item behind. Taking the whole cache just isn't done, as it kills the spirit of the game and leaves nothing for the next Geocacher.

So, just how hard is the sport of geeks? Your GPS should steer you to the exact spot, right? Wrong - GPS receivers are accurate only to within 10-30 feet, and by then you're usually standing in some dense woods. The cache won't be hiding in plain sight, either, so at some point you'll have to stow the GPS and start using your eyes. Getting there is half the fun, the other half is the search itself.

This is normally the point where I'd plug my new book, "How to Do Everything with GPS," which contains an entire chapter on Geocaching. However, it won't be available until December, so I'll have to plug it some other time. Until then, head to Geocaching.com and give the game a try. I think you'll be pleasantly surprised.

Mark your calendars. On Thursday, September 18, I'll be at the Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill in Birmingham, at 7:30 p.m. to discuss digital cameras - what to buy, how to organize and share photos, and more.

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Readers who have questions can email him at rick.broida@excite.com.

## WHERE CAN I FIND?

Through reader feedback, this interactive column is dedicated to helping readers locate retail merchandise that's difficult to find.

If you know where a product is sold or service is available, call (248) 901-2555 and leave a message with your name and phone number.

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you don't see information about your request, we couldn't find it. Requests are published twice.

### WHAT WE FOUND

Palmolive bar soap can be purchased at the Big Lots store in Westland.

### FIND AND SEARCH

A reader has empty prescription bottles and vitamin bottles

to donate.

What we're looking for: A store that sells Dippity Do styling gel for Mary.

A store/catalog that sells Pretty Feet for Babe.

A store that sells Walnetto candy for Sharon.

A store that sells the original Double Bubble gum for Gail.

A store that sells Arperge perfume for Eleanor.

A store that sell a cotton, quilted, two slice toaster cover for Marlene.


A store that sells Ecco (Echo) Bay women's clothes for Delores.

Sears used to sell them. A store that sells a half-gallon plastic milk handle (a holder) for a milk carton for Arlene.

The carton slides into the holder for easier pouring of the milk.

A store that sells alcohol free Listermint liquid mouthwash for Marilyn.

By Sandi Jarackas



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It happened to us just like it happened to just about everyone else. You probably won't forget either, where you were at that exact moment when the 2003 blackout hit. I had exited off I-96 and drove south on Novi Road. I noticed the traffic lights were off and no lights or signs in buildings along both sides of the road. The radio was on, but suddenly went dead, then it started again in seven seconds or so which is the time it takes for the huge generator to provide internal power to WWJ 950 AM. Figuring out that I was going through Novi and the station is in Southfield, I knew it was a massive power failure.

Upon entering the house my wife asked what we were going to do for dinner. I immediately

went downstairs to the main circuit breaker and tripped the main two top switches which stop all power from coming into the house. I did this because I was concerned about any power surges which could happen when the power came back on.

Even though I have a whole house surge protector installed at the main circuit breaker, I wasn't taking any chances. This is also a lot easier than unplugging appliances and other electrical gadgets which can be damaged from surges or brownouts.

After hearing the news on our little battery operated radio, we put out the candles for an evening of romantic dining. Five candles in a small circle on the kitchen table heated the food from a few different canned items. The hardest thing was opening the cans, we only have an electric can opener in the house. A hunting knife did the trick as it does when I am up on the Ivanhoe River in Canada. I slept very little that first night not knowing what to expect the

next day. Friday brought on a surge of telephone calls from television and radio stations asking my advice about food preservation, electric appliances and safety of water. I described what I did with the circuit breaker box and why I tripped all the individual breakers several times each while the man was shut off. In essence, each one of those needs to be tripped a few times a year to keep the contacts clean. I explained that a light bulb which comes on and shows a pale instead of a bright light is indicative of a brownout condition. Motors are made to run on 110 volts, but a brownout condition will run the motor.

When power is restored I would flip the main and flip each breaker individually starting with the light bulbs and go from there if conditions felt right.

The power was off for 26 hours in our house and the little chest freezer kept everything solid frozen especially in the bottom part of the freezer but the poultry, fish

and pork had started early stages of a thaw.

These foods are more apt to create problems so we cooked these the next day.

When the water warning was issued with the word bacteria my mind went into overdrive. I thought about the ice cubes in refrigerators and the water dispenser system that so many people have.

I made it clear not to use these accessories on a refrigerator because of the possible bacteria.

As store supplies of water were dwindling, I knew people would end up drinking melted ice cubes from their refrigerators. I asked listeners whether they knew how pure that ice was. I learned the same lessons you did and I pray another power failure of this magnitude never occurs again. Stay tuned. Here is a link for an appliance forum consumers can use: <http://thisgardenweb.com/forums/appl/nph-ind.cgi?n=30>

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ 950 and WXYT 1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455 7281.

## HOME CALENDAR

### How-to clinics

The Home Depot offers free weekly how to clinics for do-it-yourselfers. Experienced associates give step-by-step instructions during the clinics which last about 30 to 45 minutes each.

For more information contact your local Home Depot. Scheduled sessions are: You Can Install Door Locks 7 p.m. Thursday; You Can Lay Ceramic Tile 10 a.m. Saturday; You Can Install a Ceiling Fan 2 p.m. Saturday; and You Can Learn to Faux Paint 11 a.m. Saturday Aug. 30; Sunday Aug. 31 and Monday Sept. 1.

### Fall planting

Fall is a wonderful time to plant roses and work outdoors. Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, are celebrating fall with a series of fun and educational programs at their nursery.

Fall Rose Planting, a popular demonstration by the Lindleys in the large display garden, will take place 11 a.m. Friday Aug. 29. The program will be repeated 1 p.m. Sunday Aug. 31 and 11 a.m. Monday Sept. 1 (Labor Day).

The programs are free. Reservations aren't needed. Each presentation will last about an hour. Dress for the weather.

Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township, 7 miles south of Belleville. For information about the roses and nursery visit [www.GreatLakesRoses.com](http://www.GreatLakesRoses.com) or call (734) 461 1230 to request a flyer.

**Tropical plants**  
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**Farmington Garden Club**  
The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Tuesday Sept. 9 at the Longacre House on the west side of Farmington Road between 11 and 10 Mile.

In the program Nature Around Us, Joe Derek will educate on the type of wildlife in our area and give tips on keeping critters out of our gardens.

**Hardy Plant Society**  
The Hardy Plant Society will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday Sept. 2 at Congregational Church, Woodward and Cranbrook Road in Bloomfield Hills.

George Lee will speak on such current concerns as the Emerald Ash Borer and answer questions. Lee is president of the Michigan Forestry and Park Association, a member of the American Society of Consulting Arborists and owner of Branch Tree Service. Guest fee \$3. For information call (248) 589 2286 any time.

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Reflections are a subject popular to camera club members. This one Monte Nagler took near Kona, Hawaii.

find more willingness to share knowledge and help others than in a camera club. The camaraderie is inspiring.

Clubs have competitions, slide shows, guest speakers, modeling sessions, even field trips. Whether your interests are in color slides, black and white prints or color prints, you'll find creative outlets in camera clubs.

Camera clubs help you grow in your own photographic pursuits to whatever level you

wish to attain. Years ago, when I first developed an interest in photography, I joined a local camera club. And I'm sure glad I did! The knowledge I gained, the friends I made, and the encouragement I received all combined to help eventually make photography my career.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message at (734) 953-2047. His fax number is (248) 644-1314.

## GARDEN CALENDAR

**Metropolitan Rose Society**  
The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7:15 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center, 3500 Marais east of Crooks and north of 13 Mile. Speaker Thomas Kressbach will present a slide show of rose gardens he saw in Scotland and England this summer and distribute a brochure on Fall Cal of Roses. Admission is free. The public may attend. Call (248) 689-9529 for more information.

**Dahlia show**  
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how to grow dahlias will be on sale. For more information, call president Wilson Garner at (248) 373-6275 or show chairman Richard Arrington at (248) 478-2484.

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, At Home editor, Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150, or e-mail kabramczyk@homecomm.net.

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lesson several years ago, the hard way. Paul was working in pharmaceutical sales. On a particularly cold afternoon he called on one of the pharmacies he regularly visited. While he was talking to the pharmacist, he set his keys on the counter (a habit of his). During the course of their conversation the pharmacist mistakenly picked up Paul's keys and put them in his own pocket. Upon leaving the pharmacy Paul fished for his keys in his pants pocket but they were not there. He searched his coat pocket only

to come up empty handed. He looked on the ground and all around. He returned to the pharmacy and the pharmacist began helping him look. They could not find the keys anywhere. After a long search, Paul called a locksmith. The locksmith made a new set of keys and he was finally on his way, late of course for his next appointment. It wasn't until a week later that the pharmacist figured out to whom the strange keys in his pocket belonged. A jacket may be another frequently misplaced item. This is

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# These are a few of tree specialists and nursery owners favorite trees

BY KFN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Whether homeowners lose ash trees and choose to buy a different species or simply want to buy trees for their homes, they have a variety of species from which they can choose to plant. Tree specialists and nursery owners have their own favorites. Beth Liskiewicz likes Easter

truncatum (maple), which grows to a height of 20 to 25 feet and 15 to 20 feet wide and is heat- and drought-resistant. Others are ginkgo biloba, syringa reticulata (ivory silk) and red sunset maple. The Cleveland select pear reaches a height of 35 feet and a width of 12 feet. Tree purchasers should look for strong-growing, disease resistant species,

Liskiewicz said. "Some are valued for fall color," she said, while other trees with needles, like the dawn redwood, are valued for their "low maintenance," ideal for anyone who doesn't like raking leaves and disposing of them in the fall. "It's fast growing, and it's not a weak wood," Liskiewicz said of the dawn redwood. They grow to heights of 60 to 75 feet.

Roy Prentice has his preferred trees, including the katsura, which isn't a native plant, but tolerates varied conditions, red maple, which is able to adapt to a diverse environment, and redbud, which grows to 30 feet and is what he describes as "gorgeous in the spring." Prentice's other favorites, all of which adapt well to various Michigan weather conditions, are the American yellowwood,

which grows 35 to 40 feet tall, sweetgum, 45 to 50 feet tall, tulip (or yellow poplar), which hits 60 feet in height, and the swamp white oak with its nice shade, Prentice said. The sawtooth oak, named after the shape of its leaves, and the Kentucky coffee tree, with its coarse branches, provide interesting cover in winter. Richard Zoner likes the maple, a good slow grower, he says. October glory is one of

my favorites for color, but they're a little hard to find. Zoner said. A bicolor beech gets good size, similar to a maple, and is a good ornamental. Birch trees are fast growers. You might want to look at the birch tree to replace the ash, Zoner said. Fraser fir is his favorite of the evergreens. It is smoother, and softer with nicer characteristics," Zoner said.

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borer an Asian exotic beetle, may very well devastate the ash tree in a similar fashion. Roy Prentice, farm manager of the Michigan State University's Tollgate Center in Novi, believes the emerald ash borer epidemic is strikingly similar to Dutch elm disease. Research is continuing on injection methods and sprays that may help battle the borer. It's too early to tell, Prentice said of these methods. It's an amazing battle and it will be tough to control it. It's a sad situation. It's very unusual to have

this happen twice in 20 years," Beth Liskiewicz, master gardener and co-owner of Steinkopf Nursery in Farmington Hills, said of the demise of the two species. The emerald ash borer was first discovered in southeastern Michigan and identified in July 2002. Larvae feed in the outer sapwood and phloem, which is tissue in the tree's vascular system, producing galleries that eventually girdle and kill branches and entire trees. Adults, which are present into August, feed up to nearly a half-centimeter of foliage per day, leaving irregularly-shaped patches of leaf tissue with jagged edges. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest

Service, infestations can be difficult to detect until canopy dieback begins on the tree. Infested trees show D-shaped exit holes on branches and the trunk. The tree will show a vertical split in the bark in response to the larval feeding. Distinct larval tunnels etch the outer sapwood and phloem of the trunk and branches. Branches die when they are girdled by these tunnels. Many trees lose 30 to 50 percent of the canopy in one year. The tree is often killed after two or three years of infestation. It may be too early to tell whether the injection methods will work, but residents who are dealing with the borer may want to replace the dead or dying ash trees with another species.

## PLANTING

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around the root ball and around the trunk. Otherwise they can girdle the tree (cut into it). Prentice said. Residents planting trees should develop a good concave plan, but should not overplant, Liskiewicz said. "You have to look at how large a plant will get," Liskiewicz said. As an example, a homeowner may plant trees two to three feet apart and too close to the house. Trees should be at least 10 to 15 feet away from the house. Homeowners should look at the projected height of the tree and plan accordingly. Planting for the future is the most important thing, Liskiewicz said. Developing a sketch helps in

shopping for trees and discussing what types do well in your particular soil, Liskiewicz said. A vast majority of homes in Wayne and Oakland counties sit on clay soil, but occasionally a subdivision may be built in an area with sandy soil. Prentice said trees should be watered to an equivalent of one inch of rainfall a week. If Mother Nature doesn't provide it, use a soaker hose for a couple of hours, Prentice said. Two inches of mulch should be maintained around the roots, but not around the trunk. Zoner said fertilizer spikes can be used in the spring as they are less effective in the colder months. "They really don't work until (the tree) is ready to grow," Zoner said. Zoner said 95 percent of the deaths of shrubbery and trees are caused by either underwatering or overwatering. Leaves on dry trees

that are underwatered turn brown, while overwatered trees have leaves that turn black. New plants and trees need watering, even in the spring. Some homeowners have a false assumption that trees do not need much watering in the early spring after sitting under the snow all winter. "We had 14 days of no rain this spring and the plants really struggled," Liskiewicz said. If homeowners wait until late May or June to water regularly it jeopardizes the tree's survival. In clay, trees should not be planted too deep and oxygen is needed in the root area. The hole should be made larger than the root ball, and backfilled with a mixture of peat, humus and topsoil. Homeowners can research trees, their height and soil conditions and tree characteristics using the *Manual of Woody Landscaping Plants* by Michael Dirr, \$70 hardcover or \$40 softcover.



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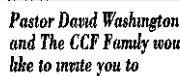
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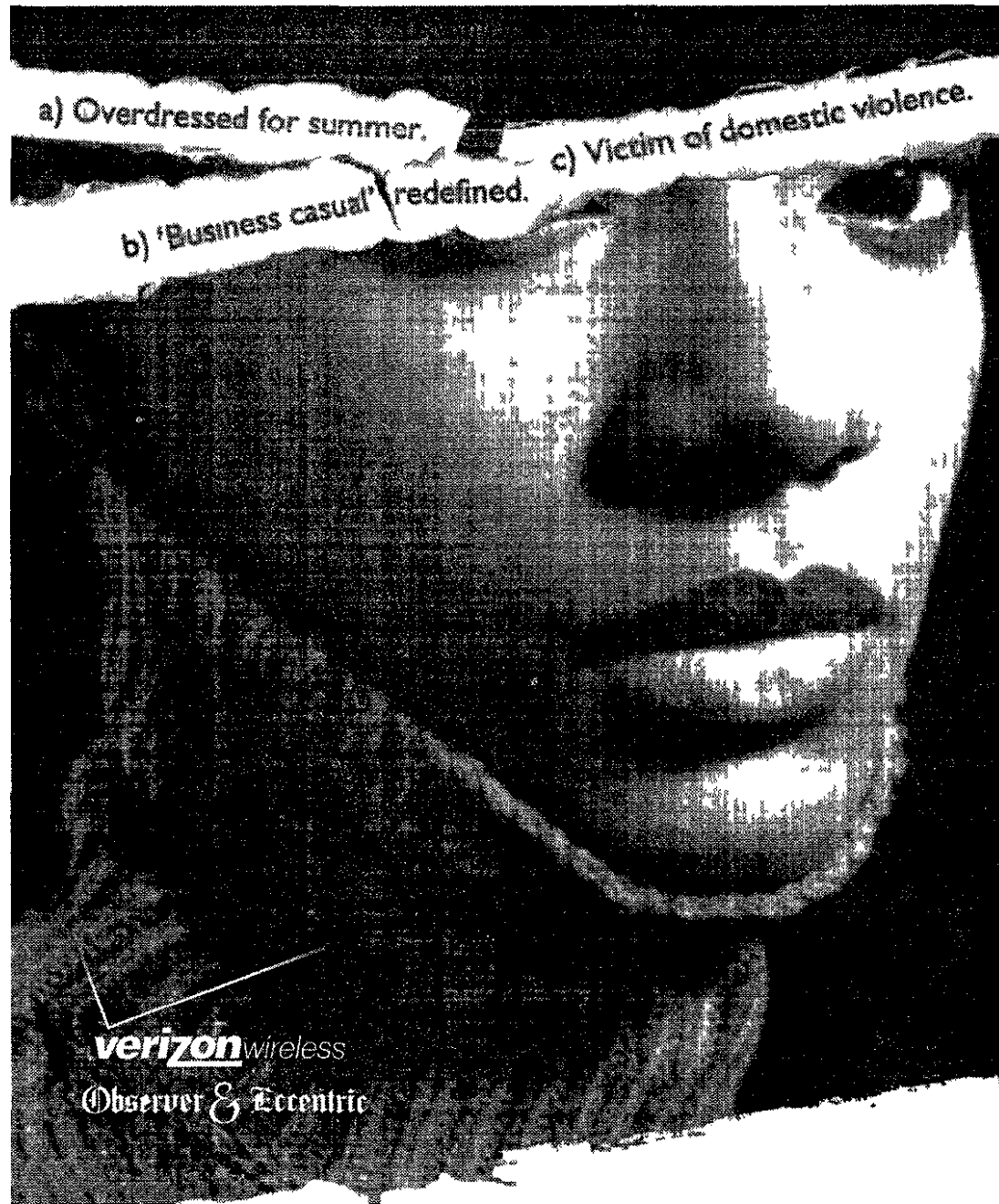
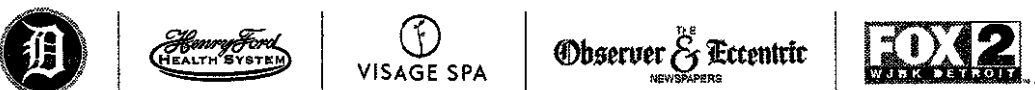
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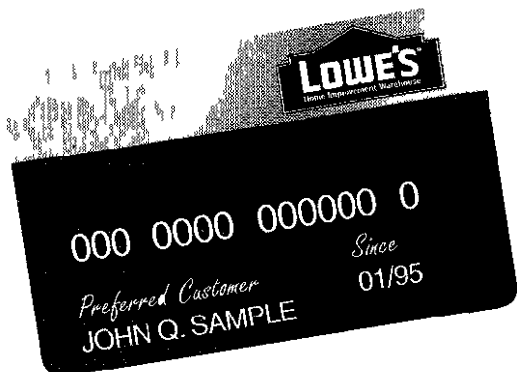




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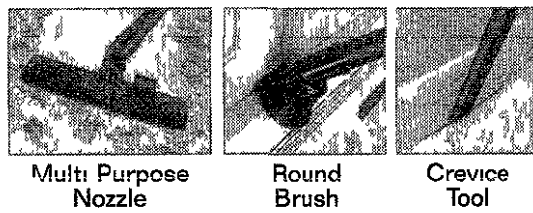
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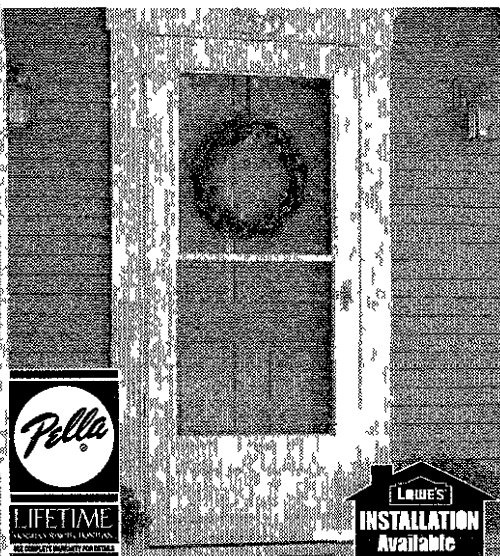
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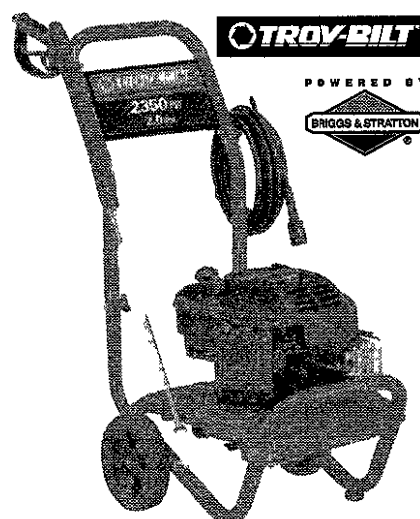


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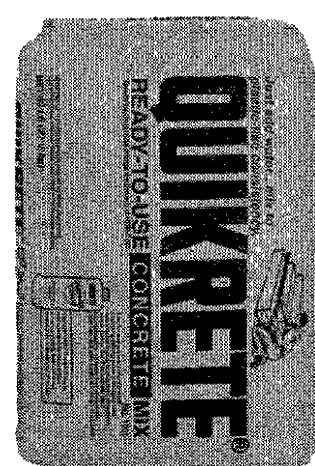
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## Side dish

### Walnut is back

Black Walnut Ice Cream is back. Edy's Grand Ice Cream has returned this old time flavor to grocery store aisles this month to tempt the taste buds of local ice cream aficionados.

Available for a limited time, Edy's Black Walnut Ice Cream blends creamy vanilla ice cream with crunchy black walnuts.

The ice cream is available through the end of 2003. For more information on Edy's ice cream, visit [www.Edys.com](http://www.Edys.com).

### Cheesy awards

The state of Wisconsin proved it is still the king of cheese. Cheesemakers from that state took home 34 awards including nine for first place at the American Cheese Society's Annual Cheese Competition in San Francisco in early August.

Wisconsin master cheese maker Sid Cook of Carr Valley Cheese in LaValle, Wis., led with six first place honors. He won for his virgin pine native blue, mobay 8 year cheddar, feta river bend cheese and gran canaria.

For more information on the competition, visit [www.cheesesociety.org](http://www.cheesesociety.org) or visit the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board at [www.WisDairy.com](http://www.WisDairy.com).

### Culinary event

The Schoolcraft College Foundation hosts Culinary Extravaganza, a food and wine event, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21, in the VistaTech Center.

Tickets are \$50 per person. More than 50 restaurants and beverage vendors from throughout Michigan will feature samplings.

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Jerry's Kids Krunch flavor is available exclusively at Ritter's Custard Shoppes and was created by Ritter's last year as a way to contribute to the Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon.

Jerry's Kids Krunch flavor combines Ritter's signature award-winning frozen vanilla custard with Oreo Cookie Pieces, M&M pieces and colorful rainbow sprinkles.

Jerry's Kids Krunch will be available for a limited time through Labor Day.

The Jerry Lewis MDA Telethon will be airing Sunday, Aug. 31 to Monday, Sept. 1.

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# Garlic

## This bulb adds aroma, vibrant flavor to any dish

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

It's a simple bulb, but it adds depth with its warm aura.

Once considered an exotic herb used primarily in a few European and Asian countries and thought to have originated in Siberia, of all places, garlic now has pushed its way onto plates around the world.

Gilroy, Calif., declared itself the Garlic Capital of the World.

Since 1979, the town has thrown the Gilroy Garlic Festival toward the end of July. What began as a

simple fund-raiser created by Dr. Rudy Malone to help charities has grown from 5,000 visitors to more than 125,000.

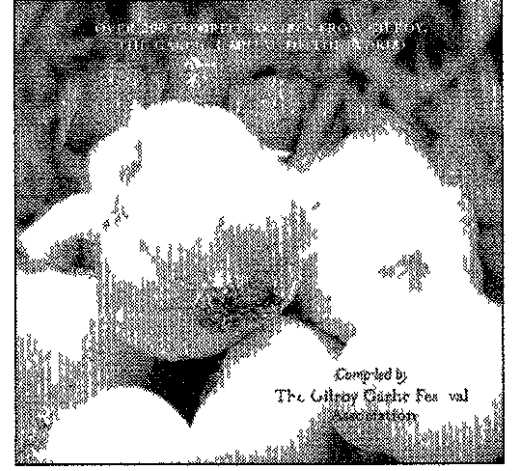
The Gilroy Garlic Festival Association has paid yet another tribute to this wonderful bulb with yet another cookbook, *The Garlic Lovers' Cookbook*, a tribute to these cloves spiked with flavor, adding zest and heart to pasta sauces, grilled meats, marinades, salad dressings, breads and appetizers. The book is now in its third printing, released in 2003 by Celestial Arts Publishing in Berkeley (\$14.95).

The book highlights what you already know and maybe informs you about things you didn't. The book is fun in its anecdotal and sometimes whimsical approach to the herb.

Of course, the book features the health claims, about rubbing garlic on one's feet for good health, curing infections and high blood pressure and preventing colds. Whether or not these claims are true matters little to the garlic lovers.

If you love garlic, you want a lot of it.

Soy sauce marinades just don't have the same punch without at least a clove or two of raw garlic. (A clove for each pound of meat is usually a good



ratio, depending of course on the size of the clove.)

Then there's pesto with pasta. A rack of lamb can be encased in Dijon mustard, herbs and garlic, while a rotisserie chicken can be cooked to a crispy succulence enclosed in garlic, rosemary and/or thyme. Pork gets a wonderful accent from the pungent little herb — even a rub of a single clove on a pork loin works a little magic.

Roasted garlic gives off a softer, nuttier flavor than when it is raw, and you can spread on Italian or French bread for a wonderful addition to most meals. It's so simple: Just place in one of those terra cotta garlic roasters a bulb split crosswise and topped with extra virgin olive oil and sprinkled with thyme. Cook at 300° F for an hour and it's ready.

Garlic should be plump and firm when purchased. Store in a cool, dry place that is well-ventilated. If garlic is to be kept for a long time, whole cloves should be peeled, then dropped into olive oil and refrigerated for no more than three months. Garlic loses its pungency when stored in open air, according to the book.

"For three cups barbecue, tomato or other sauce, use two or three cloves fresh garlic," the cookbook reads. And don't cook it in hot

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## Carmenere, the lost wine of Bordeaux region

In the 18th century, although it was difficult to grow, vintners in the Bordeaux region of France touted a red grape named carmenere (carmen-AIR) for its color and flavor. Apparently, it made an ideal blending varietal in the typical Bordeaux mix of cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc, malbec and petit verdot.



Focus on Wine

Ray and Eleanor Heald

A loss in Bordeaux became a gain in Chile when carmenere was introduced there along with other Bordeaux varieties, somewhere around the mid-19th century.

Since Chilean vineyards were never plagued by phylloxera, original plantings continued to flourish on their own roots but along the way began to be confused with merlot. Consequently, the two varieties were planted together in the same vineyards and carmenere appeared destined for extinction.

### REDISCOVERED

Viticulturists noticed fruit development and other differences vine to vine in the mixed merlot-carmenere vineyards. Carmenere leaves have denser formations than merlot and near harvest, they turn deep pink to red. Merlot does not. Carmenere has larger berries and ripens two to three weeks later than merlot.

Yet, it was not until 1994 that the French ampelographer Jean-Michel Boursiquot correctly distinguished carmenere from merlot. In 1996, the Chilean government recognized the variety carmenere and permitted the name

to appear on varietal wine labels beginning in 1998. As such, carmenere may be cited as a "new" varietal wine in the New World.

Because of Chile's longer growing season, carmenere does better in Chile than it did in Bordeaux. In Chile, it reaches maximum flavor development without the pressures of rain or frost near the end of harvest.

Today, carmenere stands on its own as a varietal bottling or because of its good color, complex characters and ample roundness, it enhances blends of other Bordeaux varieties such as cabernet sauvignon.

### CARMENERE ADVANCES

The vision of several California winery owners such as Robert Mondavi, Agustin Huneeus (Franciscan) and Jess Jackson (Kendall Jackson) advanced the cause of carmenere in Chile. From the beginning of the joint venture between Mondavi and Vima Errazuriz, it was

decided that carmenere would play a part in the wines of the partnership. The 2000 Sena (\$70), continues its heritage as the first ultra-premium wine blend from Chile made from cabernet, merlot and carmenere.

The flavorful 2000 Errazuriz Max Reserva Merlot \$25 is blended with 12 percent carmenere. Also under the joint venture Arboleda label, there's a carmenere, sourced from the partnership estates in two premium Chilean growing areas, Colchagua and Maipo. The 2001 Arboleda Carmenere is \$15.

The 2000 Veramonte Primus from the Chilean interests of Franciscan is a blend of 60 percent carmenere, 22 percent merlot and 18 percent cabernet sauvignon. Under the Calina label from Chile, founded by Jess Jackson, there's a carmenere. Look for it from producers such as Santa Rita, Carmen, Concha y Toro in its Terrunyo line (which may be difficult to find) and Montes, a blend of

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# Tuscan-style steak with arugula, parmesan

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Finding the best ingredients often can make or break a recipe. High-quality extra-virgin olive oil in particular can make a huge difference in the flavor of a dish, such as this simple steak recipe. Using the best extra-virgin olive oil and Parmesan cheese you can find makes this 30-minute recipe a succulent, attractive dish that is appropriate for a variety of occasions.

## TUSCAN-STYLE STEAK WITH ARUGULA AND PARMESAN

(Preparation time 30 minutes)  
5 tbsp extra virgin olive oil  
1 tbsp fresh squeezed lemon juice  
2 medium cloves garlic minced or pressed through a garlic press

(about 2 tsp)  
1 lbps chopped fresh parsley leaves  
1 tbsp chopped fresh oregano leaves  
Salt and coarsely ground black pepper  
1 tsp vegetable oil  
4 boneless strip steaks 1 to 1 1/4 inches thick (8 to 10 ounces each) trimmed of exterior gristle and patted dried with paper towels  
8 cups loosely packed arugula washed and dried  
3 oz Parmesan cheese cut into thin shavings

Whisk together the olive oil, lemon juice, garlic, parsley, oregano and a pinch each of salt and pepper in a small bowl until smooth.

Heat the vegetable oil in a large

heavy-bottomed skillet over medium-high heat until smoking. Meanwhile, season the steaks liberally with salt and pepper. Lay the steaks in the pan and cook, without moving, until a well browned crust forms, about five to six minutes. Using tongs, flip the steaks. Reduce the heat to medium. Cook three to four minutes more for rare (120 F on an instant read thermometer) or five to six minutes for medium-rare (125 F). Transfer the steaks to a cutting board, tent with aluminum foil, and let rest for five minutes.

Divide the arugula evenly among 4 individual plates. Cut each steak crosswise into thin strips and arrange the steak over the arugula. Drizzle any juices that collected from the meat over the greens. Rewhisk the dressing and drizzle it over the steak and greens. Sprinkle with the Parmesan and serve immediately.

Makes 4 servings

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

## BORDEAUX

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cabernet and carmenere

The French also have gotten into the act. The 2001 Baron Philippe de Rothschild Maipo Chile Carmenere Reserva (\$10) is a fun, inexpensive pour that adds an element of decadence to a gourmet pizza. That's the best thing about carmenere, as a varietal wine, it's not expensive. Most bottlings are \$20 or less.

The Healds are contributing editors for the Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine spirits food and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. To leave them a voice mail message dial (734) 953 2047 mailbox 1864#

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### OUT OF THE ORDINARY BARGAINS

2002 Marques de Caceras White \$7  
2002 Marques de Caceras Rose \$7 which bested a dozen roses we tasted  
All wines mentioned are available in the metro Detroit area. If a retailer does not stock a specific wine ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

# Garlic maintains folklore, legend through history

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK  
STAFF WRITER

Garlic has a long history, according to *The Garlic Lovers' Cookbook*.

Mentioned over 5,000 years ago in Sanskrit, the first written language, garlic was a staple in the Sumerian diet. Herodotus, the Greek historian, is credited with noting that the Egyptian workers who built the pyramid of Cheops refused to work without their daily portion of garlic.

Garlic was found in King Tutankhamun's tomb. Homer (the philosopher, not Simpson)

praised it for its health-giving properties.

### WHEN IN ROME ...

Romans considered it an aphrodisiac, which may explain why they ate so much of it.

*The Garlic Lovers' Cookbook* credits the Crusaders for introducing the garlic to northern Europe. Banquet guests there were requested to compose verses saluting it.

In Balkan countries, garlic was rubbed on doorknobs and window frames to discourage vampires.

"But the legend isn't all on the positive side," the authors write. "A Mohammedan folk-tale explains that when Satan was ejected from the Garden of Eden, garlic sprang up wherever he set down his feet, and in 1330, King Alfonso XI of Castile is said to have founded a knightly order based entirely on the hatred of garlic."

### TO GOOD HEALTH

Garlic also maintains its reputation for healing everything from high blood pressure to tuberculosis, and more folklore surrounds this food than per-

haps any other.

Greeks and Romans prescribed it for many ailments, and 16th century Parisians would supposedly benefit with good health all year round if they ate garlic with fresh butter during the month of May. A cut clove was thought to cure toothaches or earaches.

Even Chaucer wrote about it in *The Canterbury Tales*. "Well loved he garleek, onions and eek lekes," Bernardin de Saint-Pierre reported that garlic cured nervous maladies.

But even today, some cultures believe it is a sign of good fortune to dream about garlic.

## GARLIC

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oil, as it burns easily.

The new cookbook will cure you of kitchen boredom with the recipes ranging from Antipasto Aglio to Zesty Zucchini Sauté. Many of the recipes were taken from winners and entrants in the Garlic Festival's recipe contest.

Take the Garlicky Mushrooms Supreme, which can be served as a vegetable

side dish at your next dinner party, according to Carrie Cohen of Woodland Hills.

Sauté one pound of sliced mushrooms in four tablespoons olive oil, covered, about 15 minutes. Add seven cloves of sliced garlic, three tablespoons chopped parsley and salt and pepper to taste and leave uncovered. Simmer until liquid evaporates, but don't let garlic brown. (See related recipes.)

You can make aioli — the French garlic mayonnaise — with one cup mayonnaise and

add two or three fresh garlic cloves, finely chopped. Serve as a dip for vegetables or as a sauce for meats or fish.

The cookbook includes quotes about the festival from newspapers, like this gem from the *London Daily Mail*: "You could wash down the garlic sauce on garlic bread and garlic wine."

Linda Tarvin's recipe for Garlic Toothpaste for Yellow or Stained Teeth didn't make it to the finals, but she recipe provided a few laughs among the

judges as it called for 20 cloves of garlic, according to the *San Jose Mercury*. "Does not remove yellow or stains from teeth, but nobody will ever get close enough to notice," Tarvin said.

Garlic fanciers can participate in the annual Great Garlic Cook-off Recipe Contest, held during the Gilroy Garlic Festival each year. Contest details are available at the Festival's Web site ([www.gilroygarlicfestival.com](http://www.gilroygarlicfestival.com)) or by calling the office at (408) 842-1625.

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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.

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**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.

**NEWS STORY** Write a special news story about the world losing all of its written documents except for that day's newspaper. Include the who, what, where, when, and why and of course, what the results would be of such a catastrophe. Please limit this to 250 words or less.

**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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**How does the contest work?**

- The contest will have one first place winner per category and one honorable mention per newspaper in each of our 4 categories:
  - a Grades 2-3 b Grades 4-6 c Grades 7-9 d Grades 10-12
- Judging will be based on but not limited to the following criteria where applicable:
  - a Originality b Creativity c Design d Grammar e Spelling Accuracy
- All entries must be mailed to The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and received no later than **Tuesday, September 2nd** to:
  - Oasis Golf Center/O & E International Literacy Day Contest
  - PO Box 51908
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Winners names and contest entries will appear in the Thursday, September 11th issues of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers.

- There will be 4 movie tickets and Oasis Golf Center Mini-golf admission for 4 given to each of the winners in each of the 3 categories in each of grade groups for a total of 12 prizes. First Place and Honorable Mention winners will each be given a certificate of award. The best overall composition or cartoon will be awarded a \$100 Savings Bond in addition to their regular prize.

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Attached is my entry for the Oasis Golf Center/O&E International Literacy Day Student Contest. I am submitting:

Essay  News Story  Editorial Cartoon

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Was this part of a class project?  Yes  No

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# Blend herbs and vegetables to make this ratatouille

BY DANA JACOBI  
CORRESPONDENT

If stewing brings to mind chunks of meat simmering slowly in flavorful liquid, remember some of the best stews are meatless dishes like ratatouille as well as other European dishes

As with meat stews, moist cooking helps meld the flavors of the vegetables while they turn tender. While all stews fit the growing popularity of cook-on-their-own dishes, most meatless versions cook in far less time than those made with meat.

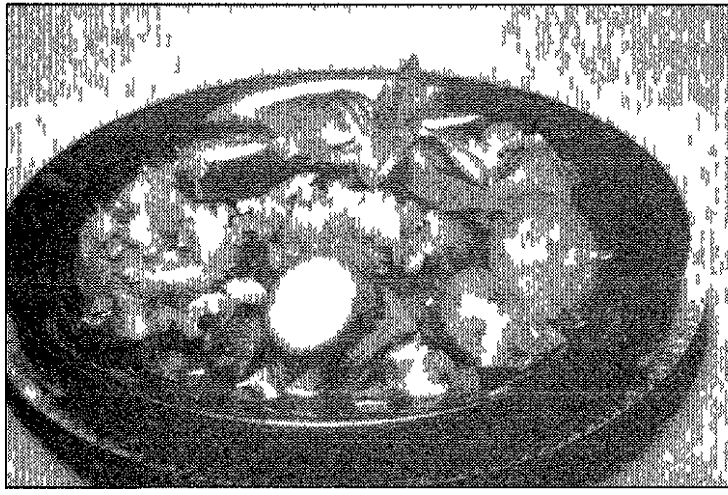
Success in making vegetable stews relies on putting together harmonious combinations, and cooking just until the vegetables are tender but still able to hold their shape.

Since vegetables can start to fall apart quickly once they are tender, when making ratatouille, I often undercook it slightly, then let it reach perfection as it reheats for the trip to the table.

Like other stews, meatless versions improve in flavor when allowed to sit, overnight if possible, before serving. They gain even more flavor each time they are reheated, as this concentrates their juices even more.

For a good vegetable stew, select ingredients that cook in about the same amount of time, taste good together and have eye-pleasing color. For example, I combine sliced sweet potatoes, chunky cauliflower florets and diced red bell pepper to make tagine, the Moroccan stew flavored with cinnamon, cumin and other spices. If you want to include quicker cooking vegetables, add them at a later point, so they are not done before those that take more time.

Once you find a vegetable



For a good vegetable stew, select ingredients that cook in about the same amount of time, taste good together and have eye-pleasing color.

stew combination you like and work out the cooking time and the amount of liquid to use, you can depend on "old reliable" without risking boredom by using a few different types of seasoning.

Instead of the usual basil or thyme for a French accent, I will use oregano and mint for a Greek touch, or a combination of cinnamon, ground ginger and paprika, to give it a North African flavor, as with this version of ratatouille.

### SPICED RATATOUILLE

- 2 teaspoons sweet paprika
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 2 medium zucchini 3/4 pound cut in 1/2 inch slices
- 1 small eggplant 3/4 pound cut in 1 inch cubes\*
- 1 large red bell pepper seeded and diced
- 1 large red onion diced
- 2-3 large garlic cloves minced
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons dried basil
- Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

In a deep, medium skillet over medium heat, toast paprika, cin-

namon, and ginger until fragrant, about 1 minute, stirring constantly with wooden spoon. Take care they do not burn. Add squash, eggplant, peppers, onions and garlic. Pour in 3/4 cup water. Add lemon juice. Cover, and bring liquid to boil.

Reduce heat and simmer until vegetables are tender, about 15 minutes.

Add basil. Season ratatouille to taste with salt and pepper. Cook until eggplant is very soft and stew is thick, about 10 to 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Cook partially covered if stew is swimming in liquid.

Serve at room temperature or slightly chilled. This vegetable stew keeps, tightly covered in refrigerator, four to five days.

\*Eggplant may be used with or without peel. I cut away and discard outermost parts that are nearly all peel, leaving about half the eggplant with peel on it. Makes 6 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: 46 calories, 0 g total fat (0 g saturated fat), 10 g carbohydrate, 3 g protein, 3 g dietary fiber, 5 mg sodium.

Dana Jacobi writes for the American Institute for Cancer Research.



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# Enjoy cherry clafouti, peach and cherry cobbler

Cherries are thought to have originated in Asia, but through the centuries they have been cultivated around the world.

Early settlers brought cherries to America in the 1600s, though modern-day cherry production didn't start until the mid-1800s, when the first sweet cherry orchard was established in western Oregon in 1847. It was in 1893 that the first commercial tart cherry orchards were established in Michigan. By the 1900s, the tart cherry industry was firmly established in the

United States. Since then, the United States has become recognized as the second largest leader in world cherry production, with Iran being the first and Turkey the third.

These three top producing countries account for one-third of the entire world production of cherries.

Aside from their versatility and good taste, cherries boast a high nutritional value.

They are a rich source of antioxidants, known to help prevent cancer and heart disease. Cherries also contain compounds that help relieve the pain associated with arthritis, gout and headaches. Below I have included some of my favorite and fun cherry recipes.

### SPARKLING CHERRY JUICE

This is a nice refreshing drink for those hot summer days.

1 pound sour cherries washed and pitted  
2 pounds sugar  
1/2 pint water  
Sparkling water

Place the cherries in a saucepan off the stove, pour the sugar over the top and let sit for 2 hours. Add the water and stir to mix the cherries, sugar and water until the sugar dissolves.

Bring the cherry mixture to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer for 15 minutes.

Strain the liquid into another

pan, pressing the cherries with a spoon to extract all the liquid, and discard the cherries. Simmer the liquid over low heat until it is syrupy and coats the back of a spoon.

Remove from the heat and let cool. Pour the syrup in a jar and store in the refrigerator.

To Serve: Place 1-2 tablespoons of syrup in each glass, fill glasses with chilled sparkling water and stir to mix.

### MICHIGAN CHERRY CLAFOUTI

4 eggs  
1 cup sugar  
1 fresh vanilla bean split  
1 tablespoon brandy  
1 cup flour  
1/2 cups milk  
1 pound stoned cherries

Preheat the oven to 350° F. Grease a 13-inch oval ovenproof dish.

In a mixing bowl, whisk together the eggs and half of the sugar. Scrape the vanilla bean and add the pulp to the egg mixture. Stir in the brandy and flour, then whisk in the milk to form a smooth batter. In another mixing bowl, toss the cherries and the remaining sugar.

Place the cherries in the ovenproof dish and pour the batter on top. Bake for 40-45 minutes or until the cake is sponge-like. Remove and let cool for about 5 minutes. Serve dusted with powdered sugar. Serves 6-8.

### TAPIOCA PUDDING WITH GRAND MARNIER CHERRIES

2 1/2 cups whole or 2 percent milk  
1/2 cup sugar  
3-4 tablespoons quick cooking tapioca  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
2 eggs beaten  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
Fresh cherries  
Grand Marnier  
Mint sprigs for garnish

In a bowl, pour enough Grand Marnier to cover the cherries and let sit for 30 minutes.

In a heavy saucepan, combine milk, sugar, tapioca and salt. Let stand for 10 minutes and then slowly bring to a simmer over medium heat, stirring constantly, for two minutes. Gradually whisk half the pudding into the beaten eggs.

Thoroughly stir this mixture into the remaining pudding. Cook over low heat, stirring

constantly, until you see the first sign of thickening. Remove from heat immediately and stir in the vanilla.

Let mixture cool in the saucepan for 30 minutes. It will thicken considerably.

To serve: May be served warm or chilled. Spoon cherries and pudding into champagne glasses and garnish with fresh mint sprigs. Serves 4-6.

### CHERRY AND PEACH COBBLER

Buttermilk Biscuit Crust  
3 cups self rising flour  
1 1/2 sticks unsalted butter  
1 cup buttermilk milk or heavy cream

Filling  
2 pounds fresh peaches rinsed, halved, pitted and sliced  
1 1/2 pounds fresh cherries sour if possible, rinsed and pitted

3/4 cup sugar  
3 tablespoons butter  
1/2 teaspoon almond extract  
Buttermilk and sugar for finishing

Preheat oven to 450° F. Set a rack at the middle level.

For the dough, place the flour in a bowl and rub in the butter until fine and mealy, but do not allow it to become pasty. Stir in the buttermilk, adding more if necessary.

Press dough together on a floured surface, wrap and allow to rest while preparing filling.

For filling, combine peaches and cherries in a bowl and toss with sugar. Pour into a large gratin dish or 6-8 individual dishes. Dot with butter and sprinkle evenly with the almond extract.

Press out the dough on a floured surface until it is roughly the size of the baking dish (or, if you are using individual dishes, divide the dough into equally sized pieces).

Lift the dough onto the filling using a thin flexible cookie sheet, and cut several vent holes in top. Brush with buttermilk and sprinkle with sugar.

Bake for about 20 minutes, until the crust is well colored and the filling is bubbling. Cool slightly on a rack and serve warm with whipped cream or vanilla ice cream. Serves 6-8.

**Chef Colin Brown** is Executive Chef of The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham. You can e-mail him at [chef@townsendhotel.com](mailto:chef@townsendhotel.com)

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One such finding was when asking women what would help them best balance work and personal life, 55 percent of those polled said flexible hours. A program that easily adapts to the challenges of today's world, Weight Watchers developed an advanced approach that targets this concept for our already proven weight-loss program.

What makes this program different is the 35 FlexPoints assigned to foods provide a buffer zone when life takes them off course with missed meals, eating on the go, dining out with children, sudden cravings and events.

Weight Watchers has integrated healthy nutrition and portion control, behavior and physical activity with simple, user-friendly guides.

FlexPoints provides the framework for healthy eating and then lets people decide what foods to eat.

Applying the principles of good nutrition, Weight Watchers provides an ongoing banking system for simple tracking of individual daily POINTS totals of food and exercise, and a handy booklet of visual aids to help identify appropriate serving sizes (essential given today's super sizing).

In a recent American Institute for Cancer Research study, 69 percent of American adults stated they finish their entrees regardless of size, encouraged overeating as much as 56 percent.

FlexPoints teaches ways around these ploys of the food industry. It also appealed to individual food preferences, providing a visual pie chart that shows three different ways to achieve the recommended mix of proteins, carbohydrates and fats.

Weight Watchers knows that healthy weight-loss isn't just about what we eat. How we think and behave regarding food and what we do in terms of physical activity also influence it.

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## Frozen fruit soufflés are an, elegant choice to end summer

BY THE CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA

Frozen soufflés — much like their steaming hot cousins — offer a dramatic finishing touch to any meal.

Although frozen soufflés resemble their baked counterparts, they are made in a dramatically different fashion. Frozen soufflés are not baked but are instead made on the stove and countertop. Both versions are aerated, however, and have a composition just stiff enough to hold their shapes.

Frozen soufflés are in a category that includes parfais and bombes (a layered frozen dessert of molded ice cream or sherbet). Frozen soufflés (soufflé glace, in French) contain whipped cream, meringue and a flavoring, such as chocolate, fruit puree or nut paste. The egg whites

are whipped to a meringue with sugar that has been cooked.

Frozen soufflés are traditionally served in ramekins (single-serve bowls), as are hot soufflés. To mimic the look and resulting effect of a baked soufflé, the ramekins used for frozen soufflés are prepared with a collar.

A collar is a piece of parchment paper attached to the outside of the ramekin that extends an inch or two above its top. The soufflé mixture is then piped or spooned in and leveled off with the top of the parchment paper. The parchment collar is removed before serving, creating the look of a hot soufflé. Because frozen soufflés need to be made ahead to allow for freezing time, they are best prepared at least one day in advance to

ensure outstanding results.

'There are many ingredients that can be added to flavor frozen soufflés, including summer berries now in season,' says Peter

Greweling, professor in baking and pastry arts at The Culinary Institute of America. 'These desserts are easy to make for summer entertaining because, unlike hot soufflés, they are made ahead of time, then unwrapped, garnished, and served in minutes.'

The following recipe for frozen fruit soufflé includes two delicious variations. This recipe, along with hundreds of other desserts, is explained and illustrated in "The Culinary Institute of America's Baking and Pastry, Mastering the Art and Craft" which will be available in January 2004.

### FROZEN FRUIT SOUFFLÉ

2 large egg whites  
1/4 teaspoon cream of tartar  
1/4 cup sugar  
1/4 tablespoon light corn syrup  
3 tablespoons of water  
1/2 cup fresh fruit (strawberries, raspberries etc.) pureed in blender  
10 ounces heavy cream, lightly whipped

Cut 10 11-by-2-inch strips of heavy duty aluminum foil or parchment paper. Wrap each strip around the outside of a 4-1/2 fluid-ounce ramekin and fasten with tape. Place the egg whites, cream of tartar and 1/4 cup of the sugar in an electric mixer fitted with the wire-whisk attachment. Combine the remaining sugar, the corn syrup and water in a saucepan and bring to a boil over high heat, stirring to dissolve the sugar. Cook, occasionally brushing down the sides of the pan with a damp pastry brush,

until the syrup reaches 260 F on a candy thermometer.

When the sugar syrup reaches 240 F, begin whipping the egg whites on high speed until soft peaks form. When the sugar syrup reaches 260 F, carefully pour the hot syrup in a steady stream into the egg whites, while continuing to whip. Then whip the mixture until it reaches room temperature.

Gently fold in the fruit puree. Fold in the heavy cream. Fill the prepared molds to the top and smooth the tops. Freeze for 8 hours, or until firm. Makes 10 servings (3 fluid ounces each).

Variations

**Frozen Chocolate Soufflé**  
Substitute 4 ounces (or 1/2 cup) melted dark chocolate for fruit puree.

**Frozen Pistachio, Almond or Peanut Butter Soufflé**  
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## Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

## Review, update deed restrictions

The deed restrictions for our subdivision are highly outdated. In fact, one restriction ensures discrimination against particular ethnic and religious groups. How do we proceed with voting for an amendment?

Those restrictions that are illegal may be invalid by operation of law and not enforceable. On the other hand, it depends upon the requirements of your restrictions to determine the necessary vote approval to obtain new documents. You are best advised to consult with a community association attorney to review your restrictions and give you a written opinion as to what the necessary requirements are to update them.

I live in a high-rise condominium where the association is attempting to restrict families with children to only several floors of the building. I am a prospective purchaser and am wondering whether or not I have a basis to make a claim.

In a recent case from the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals which covers, among others, the State of Michigan, the court dealt with the issue of what constitutes an injured person under the Fair Housing Act. The court indicated that an aggrieved person is one who claims to have been injured by discriminating housing practices about to occur.

The court indicated that an aggrieved person is one who claims to have been injured by discriminating housing practices about to occur. The court indicated that a person has to show only that he/she has suffered an actual injury that was caused by the defendant's conduct and that such injuries are likely to be redressed by a favorable court ruling. Therefore, you would have standing to pursue a violation of the Fair Housing Act although, it's not totally clear whether in fact restricting families with children to various floors in a building would constitute a violation of the Fair Housing Act as the case was remanded for further proceedings regarding that issue.

Robert M Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track* Second Edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information call (248) 644 4433 or visit [bmeisner@mich.com](mailto:bmeisner@mich.com). This column should not be construed as legal advice.



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Mary Bann, who sells houses for Prudential Chamberlain Steinhil in Troy, lifts a rug checking to make sure the room is broom clean for the new owners.

## Sweep up before turning over keys

BY NORMAN PRADY  
CORRESPONDENT

If you'd like to make Mary Bann laugh, just say, 'Broom clean.'

Oh, the things we see, said Bann, who sells houses for Prudential Chamberlain Steinhil, Troy.

Broom clean is the requirement stated in the purchase agreement for a house, calling on the seller to sweep it out.

Not everyone perceives it to mean the same thing, Bann said.

I've gone to do a final walk-through before closing the sale, and the house is supposed to be in broom-swept condition but no broom had visited that house in quite a while, she said.

On the other hand, Bann said, I've even had sellers who were willing to shampoo carpeting and the buyers weren't expecting that.

And then you have the reverse - buyers who expect everything to be in tiptop condition and sellers who just want to give things a quick once-over. Or sellers who just run out of time and the moving van is here and there's no time to go back in and do it.

When Bann stops laughing, ask her for a reasonable definition of broom clean, one that can work for almost everyone. She'll give you what she calls her personal golden rule that

she quotes to sellers: How would you want the house left for you?

Bann said her broom experiences include the nice and the bizarre.

### NICE GESTURE

Oh, this is so sweet, she said. I just had a closing in Waterford. The sellers not only had the carpets shampooed, but they left a bottle of champagne and two glasses in the refrigerator. And a gift basket on the kitchen counter for the newbies who bought the house. It had been the sellers' first house three years before.

Then there was the house sale Bann handled for a woman who was very recently divorced. Not only did the seller leave the house unswept, she refused to leave the house.

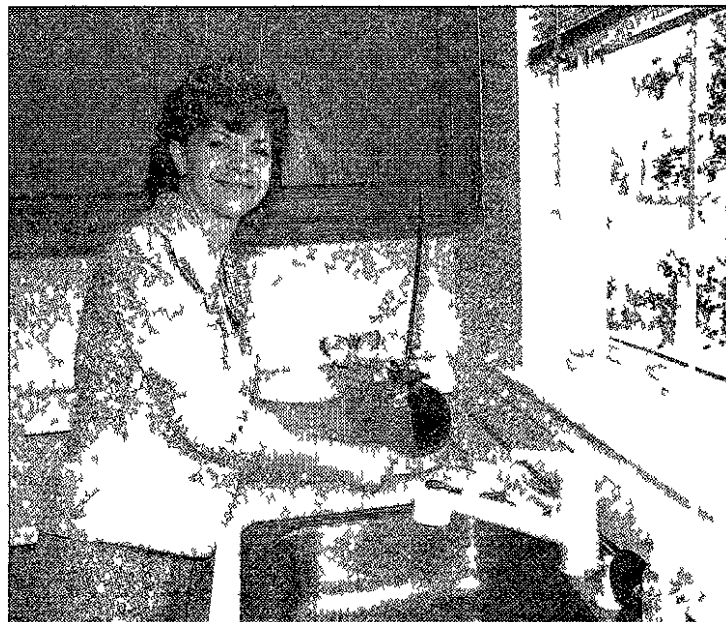
She was stressed. Said she wasn't moving out. Hadn't packed anything. Said she didn't have anyone to help her. I got a crew - my buyers, my 12-year-old daughter, myself - we packed her and got her moved.

Kay Betanzos agrees that there isn't universal accord on the meaning of 'broom clean.'

Betanzos, a sales agent with Cranbrook Associates, Birmingham, said, My understanding is that the home is to be swept out and things removed. Usually one person's idea of that isn't the same as another's. You might get an extremely good housekeeper who will scrub the floors so clean you could eat off them or someone else who barely vacuums.

But how do you measure clean? It just might come down, Betanzos said, to what your mother taught you. I take it quite literally. You get rid of all your cobwebs and debris when you move out.

The walk-through, usually about 24 hours before closing the sale, Betanzos said, is a chance to look things over, a time for the buyers to say they want that washing machine removed from the basement



Mary Bann removes an old plant in the kitchen before the new owners move in.

and that stuff removed from the garage.

Betanzos said that when she anticipates a problem she insists on withholding some of the money - \$300-\$500 - due to the seller at closing in case the house is not cleaned out and a cleaning service or hauling company has to be hired.

But the walk-through inspection doesn't help much, Mark Walski said, if the sellers will continue to occupy the house after the closing.

### WHAT'S LEFT

Walski, a sales agent with Century 21 Town & Country, Plymouth, said you can't know during the inspection what might be left when the sellers finally move out.

Sometimes, he said, "It's whatever they felt like leaving. Stuff in the basement. Old moldings from remodeling. Paint cans, lumber in the garage. An old pickup truck behind the garage."

"Broom clean means anything that would be caught by a broom should be out of there. A broom would have caught that truck," he said.

But if the house you buy isn't as clean as you'd like it to

**'Even if it looks clean, they want it sanitized.'**

Denise Bigelow  
Elbows & Derriers Inc.

be or if you want the house you're selling to be spotless, you might want to consider a professional house-cleaning company. One that real estate agents sometimes call on is Elbows & Derriers Inc., Franklin.

Even if it looks clean," said Denise Bigelow, area manager, "they want it sanitized." Her company, she said, routinely is summoned by agents, sellers, and buyers to make houses shine. For the seller, she said, it's important to clean grout, the space where carpeting meets the wall and dust and pet hair collect, and get fingerprints off of furniture, or people looking at your house won't think you're a tidy housekeeper.

And while 'broom clean' makes some people laugh, Bigelow just says, 'Broom clean is not a good cleaning

## Mortgage Bits

Tim Timbo Phillips



## Tips from the front line

I often review feedback from military members overseas through my network of fellow service academy graduates. The information is unclassified, of course, but is very enlightening and often entertaining. Most importantly, I glean tons of practical wisdom from the real-time successes and failures of those front-line heroes.

As with any career field, gaining relevant and legal insider information can certainly make your life much easier. I have done this type of 'front-line' reporting in the past, and such columns usually draw great reviews. I will start to do this more regularly. These 'real life' mortgage-related issues are certain to make your life much happier.

Homeowners insurance used to be a simple matter that homebuyers could handle a few days prior to closing. Not so anymore. I am seeing

**Do not bank on your home being worth as much as you might think, especially for mortgage refinances.**

more people - even in light of ample encouragement - jammed at the last minute because they did not secure a policy in a timely manner. Remember that you must normally bring a paid-in-full policy to closing for purchases.

Do not bank on your home being worth as much as you might think, especially for mortgage refinances. You may be adding an emotional value that an independent appraiser will not. I have very few clients during the past year who were surprised with higher home valuations.

Mortgage interest rates change daily, and we loan officers are not issued crystal balls. If you see a rate you can live with, ask your loan officer to lock it for you. If you wait until closer to closing, you may get a slightly better rate, but I recommend you save gambling for the casino.

During last month's refinancing frenzy, I closed a couple mortgages for purchases in three weeks, but it was not easy or fun. When possible, allow at least a month on your signed purchase agreement. To that end, your mortgage loan officer - not your Realtor - will tell you when a file is ready to close. If anybody but your loan officer sets your closing, they may be setting you up for disappointment, too.

Timothy J. Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. You may reach him toll-free at (866) 369 4516 or via [www.HomeQuartersBIZ.com](http://www.HomeQuartersBIZ.com). Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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<b>FARMINGTON</b> \$129,500 Prime location n Versalies Place w/deck overlooking trees & commons area Des gner decor t/o Bath w/limestone counter & floorng Kt w/ceramic flr grante counters stone & marble backsplash open flr plan w/formal DR (OEL57SHI) 888 870 9105	<b>FARMINGTON</b> \$142,900 Mint cond tion upper ranch n des rable Echo Valley Beaut ful kit w/newer maple cabinets counter sink & flooring Upgraded cabinets sink mirrors and fixtures in both baths Newer vinyl wndws & doorwall (OEL53ECH) 888 870 9105	<b>HOWELL</b> \$119,500 Beautiful ranch in lake community This home backs tc wooded 5 acres Vaulted ceilings walk out basement newer carpet & blinds 3 bds 2 baths 2 prvt beaches trails all sports lake Move in condition (BGSLY10SHO) 888 870 9131	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$269,900 Fabulous 3br Brick Ranch With loads of updates including kitchen baths windows roof Home also has huge 21x12 sun room and gorgeous hot tub room all on a half acre (BGN61PUR) 888 870 9123	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$229,700 Fabulous Bargain! On this 2 br 2.5 bath townhouse w/finished basement & 2 car attached garage Clean & move in condition Great room w/fireplace Eat n kitchen & formal dining room (BGN20LAU) 888 870 9123	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$209,900 3 BR 2 full bath Renaissance ranch in desirable Beatrice Gardens Beautiful open floor plan 18x18 Florida room Bedroom sizes larger than most ranches Full bsmt 2 car att gar Must see! (OEL27GOL) 888 870 9105	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$204,900 3 BR 2 full bath brick Renaissance ranch Lg foyer Open kit w/oven/range Pretty FR w/brick flpc & doorwall to double tier concrete patio Excellent fin bsmt w/possible 4th bedroom 2 car att garage (OEL22RAM) 888 870 9105
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<b>LIVONIA</b> \$194,900 2 BR 1.5 bath condo Living room w/fplc & wood mante Kt w oak cab nets & hwdw floor Forma dining area Fin shed basement w possible off a end or 3 d bedroom (OEL62FAR) 888 870 9105	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$197,900 Tasteful decor & loaded w updates Newer vinyl floor n kchen/breakfast nook Basement has finished room with coset 2 ca de attached garage w newer doo All app ances included (OEL96CR) 888 870 9105	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$189,900 Excellent clean & neat 3 bdrm 1.5 bath brick ranch Features living room w/natural flpc & bay window Kit w/eating space & stove Forma DR Large deck and landscaping (OEL26ARD) 888 870 9105	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$173,000 Going Gong GONE Liv ranch w/Liv Schoos formal dining living w/bay wndws totally updated kitchen that you have to see to ba eve Corner ot warge fenced ya dl Hurry (BGN32ROU) 888 870 9123	<b>LIVONIA</b> \$169,900 Classic Brick Ranch! 3br 1.5 ba 2 car garage full fin shed basement Updates include roof furnace & CA w ndows kchen carpet & paint Hdvd floor n bdrms (BGN36DEN) 888 870 9123	<b>MILFORD</b> \$410,000 Walk Out Ranch Gorgeous 1996 custom home on 1.2 acres offers 2847 ft & 1100 sq ft Fin bsmt 4BR 3BA Great Rm w/FP Master suite Huge 2 car gar Neutral decor F orda Room BGP 33Ann 888 870 9127	<b>MILFORD</b> \$220,000 Newer 3 Bedroom Colonial on Almost an Acre Open Floor plan neutral and ready to move into Great room with cathedral ceilings fireplace sprawling kitchen 2 car garage ful basement (BGSLY57OLD) 888 870 9131
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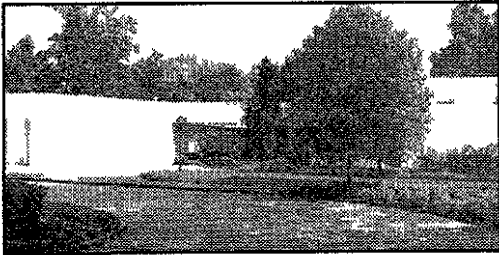
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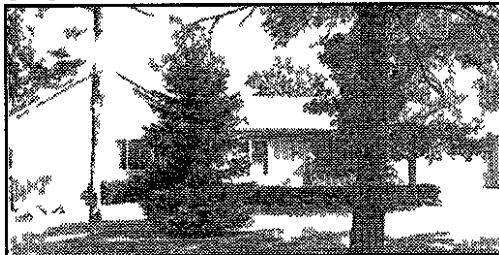


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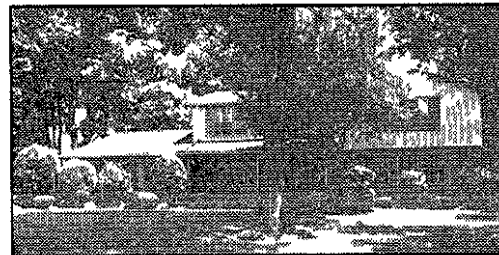
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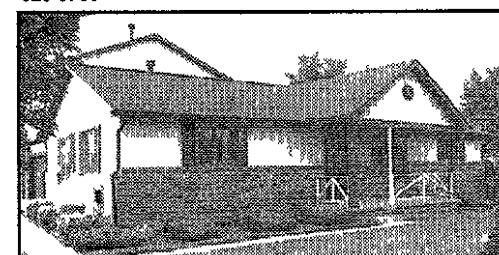
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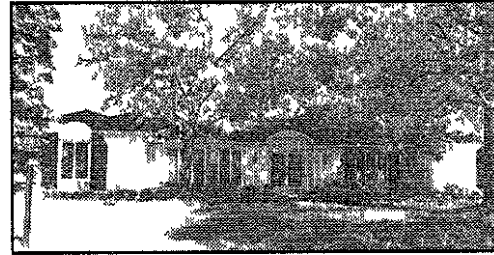
**FOX HILLS** Lovely quad-level home on a peaceful, elevated lot. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, Pella replacement windows throughout, bay windows in the LR, skylights and hardwood floors in DR & kitchen, family room w/FP. Bloomfield Hills schools. \$264,500 23075576SPI 248-626-8700



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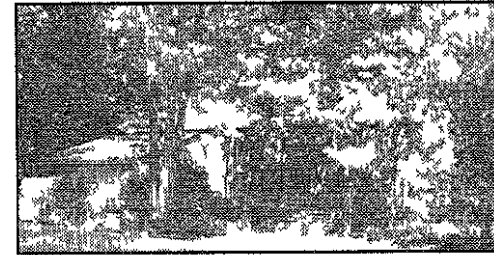
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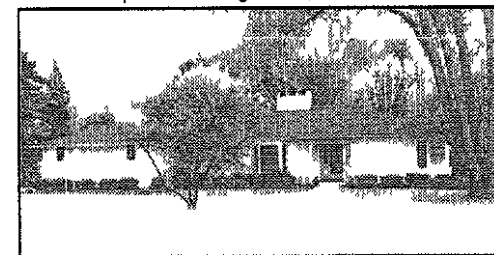
**ELEGANT RANCH ON COVENTRY LAKE** 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, huge master suite with remodeled bath, hardwood floors, family room with vaulted ceiling & fireplace, newer furnaces and roof. Wonderful floor plan. \$950,000 23072923SCO 248-626-8700



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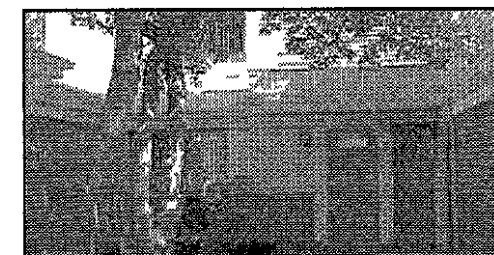
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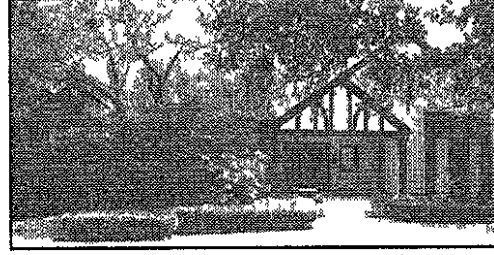
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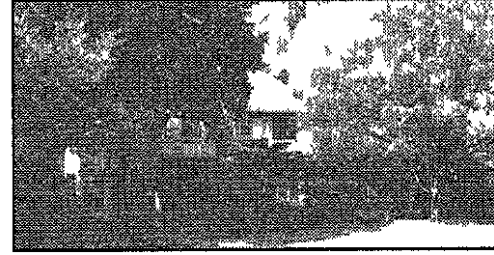
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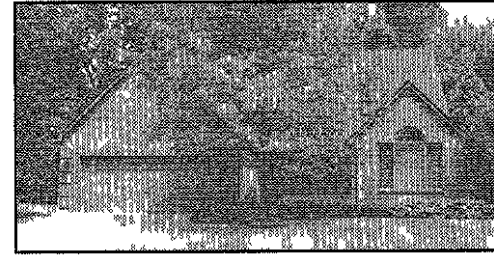
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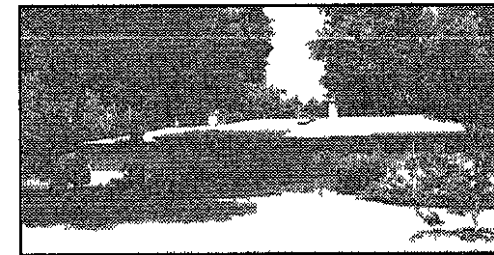
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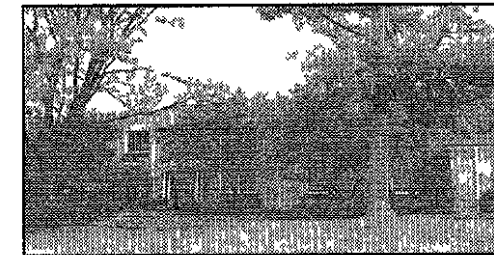
**FOXCROFT COLONIAL!** 4 bedrooms, cherry kitchen, granite counters, new AC. 02 new roof to boards. 03 Spacious great room, wet plaster, hardwood floors. Basement has finished room for office, play room, exercise room. 3 fireplaces. Home in move-in condition. \$419,000 WOO 647-0100



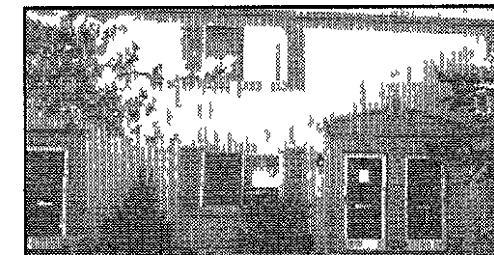
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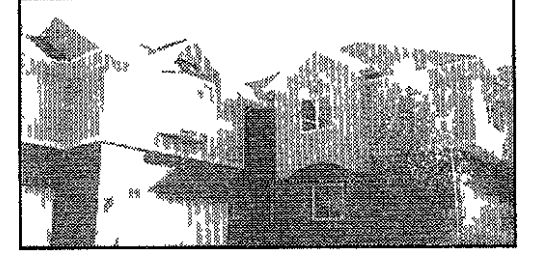
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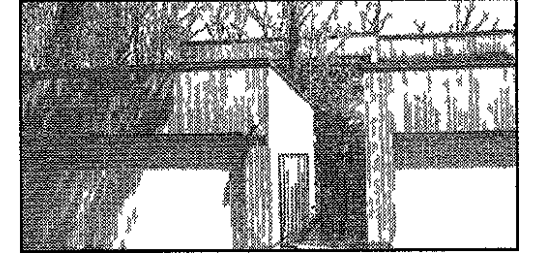
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**PINCKNEY** - Almost new 3 bedrooms 2.5 bath colonial built in 2001 offers bsmt 2 car att gar 2nd floor laundry oak kitchen new deck backing to woods for privacy \$199 500 (07CRI) 734 455 5600



**SOUTHGATE** - A perfect 10 4 bedroom cape cod w/2.5 baths 2 car attached garage basement w/glass books mistr bedrooms w/full bath & Jacuzzi tub GR w/fp c DR cedar deck brick paver walk way CA sprinklers Gorgeous gorgeous to \$262 500 (25MOR) 734 455 5600



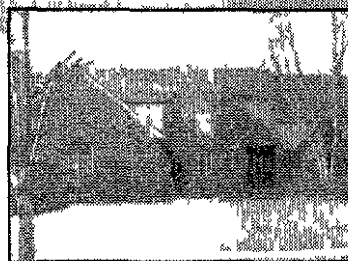
**REDFORD** - Move right n! Updated 3 bedroom bungalow w/newer roof furn A/C windows kitchen disposal counter top & newer appl Part in bsmt private yard w/patio & garage Great location \$133 899 (23ELM) 734 455 5600



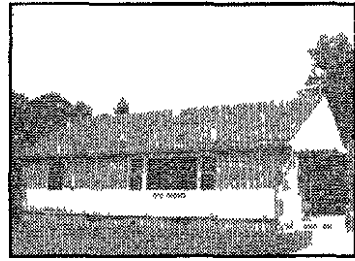
**WALLED LAKE** - Wow! Totally updated 2 BR 1.2 BA townhouse Newer Walls de windows & some hwdw firing Neutral carpeting & baths Finished lower level w/wet bar & additional half bath Can be home office or media room \$139 900 (25MAR) 248 349 5600



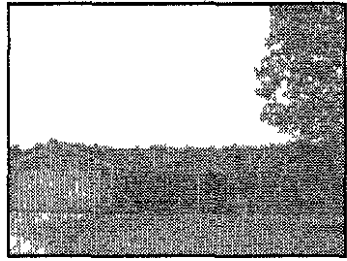
**LIVONIA** - Make the discovery Carefree living 2 BR 2 full BA Living room w/door wall to private balcony DR great kitchen unit laundry Too many updates to list Heated pool & carport Ready & waiting for your offer \$129 900 (68ANN) 248 349 5600



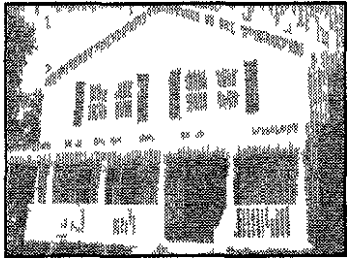
**LIVONIA** - Wonderful family colonial Close to all amenities and Stevenson High School Many custom features and extensive use of wood Wrought iron fence enclosed backyard 4 BR 2.5 BA w/2.5 side entry garage More appliances included \$359 900 (41ELL) 248 349 5600



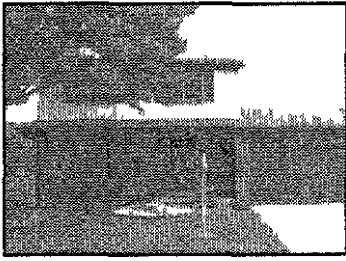
**DEARBORN HTS** - Need fast sale Ranch w/3 bedrooms 1.5 bath part in bsmt 2 car gar CA Updates furn roof windows HWH circuit breakers FR & Florida room All appl incl Hwdw flrs & lg lot Home warranty Bring all offers \$149 617 (75MAY) 734 455 5600



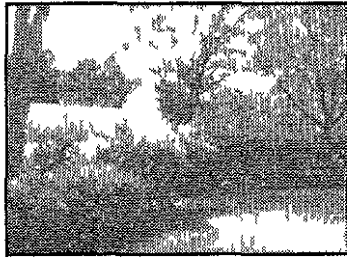
**VAN BUREN** - Feed the deer at home Approx 14.5 acres offering 3 bedrooms 2.5 baths ranch w/2.5 car attached garage poe barn lots of closet space beautiful tiled foyer Built in 2001 Custom kitchen & cabinets Walk to Belleville Lake Great location \$327 900 (65MAR) 734 455 5600



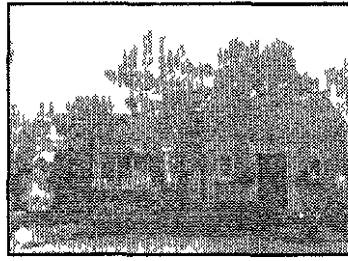
**PLYMOUTH** - Great curb appeal Professionally renovated 4 bedrooms 3.5 bath in bsmt w/bar GR DR master ste maple kitchen oak banister 2 car heated garage large covered porch appliances & home protect on plan \$284 999 (04JOY) 734 455 5600



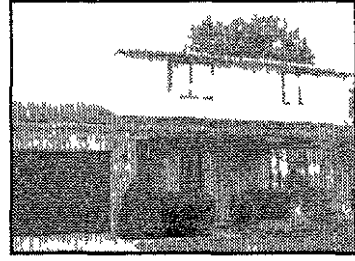
**CANTON** - Updated Colonial Clean and neutral 3 BR 1.5 bath with 2 car att garage Updates include newer roof w/n dows furnace & C/A 5.02 Great landscaping paver patio & beautiful newer pool & equipment 99 \$207 500 (26BER) 248 349 5600



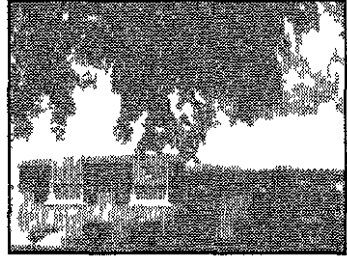
**FARMINGTON HILLS** - Incredible 5 BR 3 baths 2 lavs 2 story home Remodeled thruout and looks like a \$1 million + new construct on The approximately acre lot features a beautiful in ground pool with bar and entertaining area Trees & gardens Wow \$645 000 (21WEL) 248 349 5600



**DEARBORN** - Welcome home Dearborn's prestigious Go to view 3 story English tudor w/3.5 car garage Commercial design kitchen Hardwood floors newer windows great room formal dining and finished basement Old world charm would be hard to duplicate \$480 000 (35WIL) 248 349 5600



**CANTON** - What a beauty! 3 bedrooms 1.5 bath colonial w/large cozy family room w/fireplace doorwall to deck & pool partially finished basement 2 car attached garage \$216 900 (45MOR) 734 455 5600

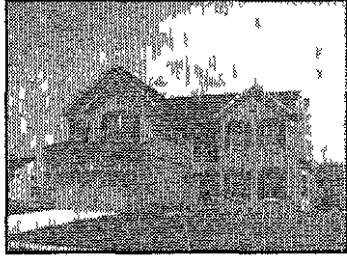


**DETROIT** - Charming updated 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch with 2 car garage basement and updated vinyl windows furnace and central air hot water heater glass block windows and steel doors (78BRA) \$136 000 734 455 5600

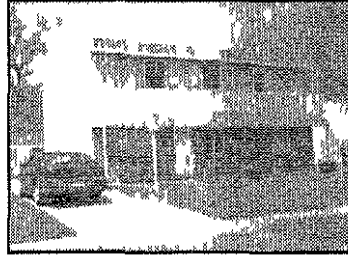


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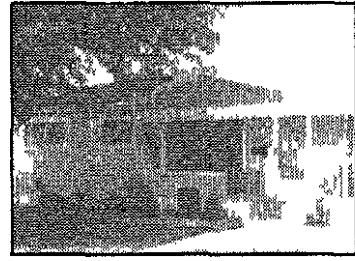
## Michigan's #1 Century 21 Firm!



**SOUTH LYON** - Quick occp 2 story foyer & family spacious grmt kt w/cherry wood cabs & granite counter tops Oversized eating space Extensive wood firing Lavish mstr ste w/ig tub shower & huge walk in closet 9 bsmt w/grdn wndw Loft overlook ing FR \$437 555 (56SHE) 248 349 5600



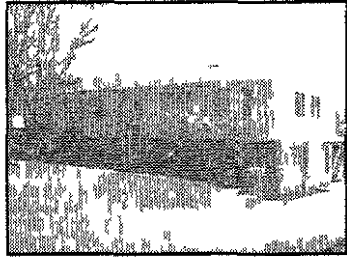
**WESTLAND** - Spacious colonial Well maintained 5 BR 2 BA home w/newer furnace CA hot water heater & carpet Huge master bedroom w/full bath & WIC One year home warranty included \$149 900 (14WAL) 248 349 5600



**WESTLAND** - A honey for the money 3 bedroom 2 bath fully finished basement w/bar updated oak kitchen w/Pergo floors Large 2 car garage & fenced yard \$144 000 (14HAZ) 734 455 5600



**CANTON** - Move right in! Sharp 3 bedroom 1.5 updated bathrooms w/Corian counters & tub/shower Hardwood floors thruout & most appliances \$132 000 (58HAR) 734 455 5600



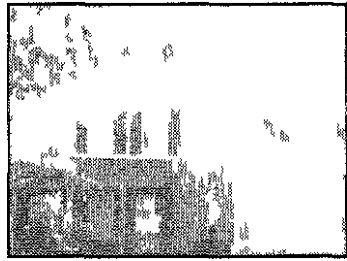
**BRIGHTON** - Lake privileges Beautiful 4 BR 3 BA home w/updated kt w/sland & doorwall to deck Mstr bedrooms w/full bath & French doors to deck FR w/gas fireplace and doorwall to patio 2 car garage and privileges on Lake of the Pines \$249 900 (11RED) 248 349 5600



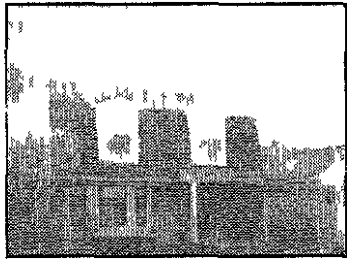
**MILFORD** - Downtown Milford home Late 1800's built beauty w/updates Tiled kitchen family room w/replace LR for mail DR 1.5 baths Cozy home in great cond on It even has a pocket fence Short walk to Downtown \$187 500 (20HIC) 248 349 5600



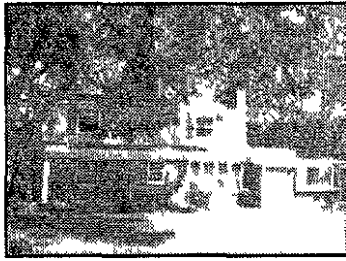
**REDFORD** - Move right in Very clean & well maintained home that's bright & airy offers 3 bedrooms partially finished basement w/workshop garage + newer roof furnace & CA \$119 000 (42NOR) 734 455 5600



**CANTON** - Located on premium lot Charming 2 story condo overlooking scenic pond Offers upgraded Pergo flr in kit all kt appl fplc in GR fr bsmt w/drywall recessed ghts & carpeting also ove y deck for entertaining \$179 900 (75HUN) 734 455 5600



**LIVONIA** - Sharp updated colonial Nestled in Windsoridge Village Sub Livonia Schools Remodeled kt w/bay windows formal dining room att 2 car garage finished ecoom doorwall to deck off family room 1st floor laundry Stone fireplace \$259 900 (90NOR) 734 455 5600



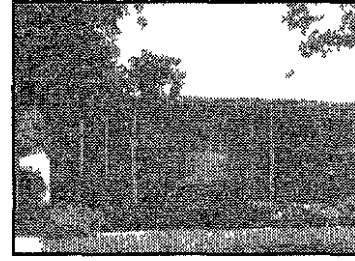
**FARMINGTON HILLS** - All this home needs is you Updated Br ar Hill colonial with 4 bedroom 2 bath Family room with fireplace All kitchen appliances stay separate breakfast room First floor laundry Large yard and walk to schools \$264 900 (06NOR) 248 349 5600



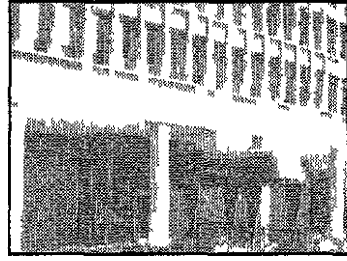
**GREEN OAK** - Picturesque wooded at Approximate y 1 acre with 4 spacious bedrooms 3.5 baths & custom thruout Private deck off master suite 2 story great room w/replace F n shed w/kout basement Extensive landscaping with lighting \$424 900 (61SIL) 248 349 5600



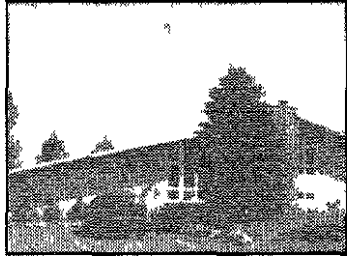
**PLYMOUTH** - Great price must sell! Nice maintained colonial in Arbor Village sub 3 bedrooms 1.5 baths 2 car att gar & bsmt FR w/nat feldstone floiskylight Newe windows some carpet & kitchen floor Large fenced yard Home warranty \$200 900 (57RUS) 248 349 5600



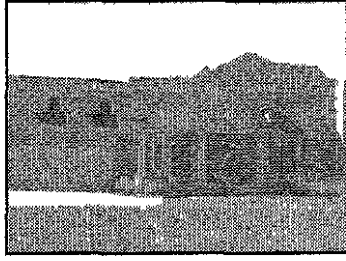
**REDFORD** - A winner 3 bedrooms 1.5 bath open flr plan ranch w/g rms hwdw flrs 2.5 car gar CA completely updated T/w/3 season Florida rm fr bsmt maint free ext extra deep lot w/sprinkler system lg shed 5 Redford schools on a dead end st w/park \$174 900 (60SAL) 734 455 5600



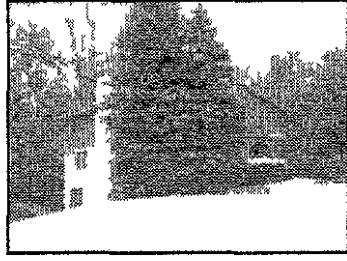
**DEARBORN** - Best location in Dearborn Close to everything private entry to this beautiful one bedroom condo with closet gatore \$95 000 (00GAP) 734 455 5600



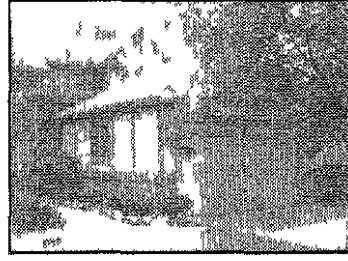
**SALEM TWP** - 13+ acres of rolling meadows Clean & updated 3 bedrooms 2 bath home w/FR GR DR 4 car heated garage in ground pool For the horse over 21 box stalls wash rack w/cement fir covered arena w/observ room lockers & tack room \$549 000 (80PON) 734 455 5600



**SOUTH LYON** - Shows like a model Prof decorated 3 BR 3.5 BA 1.5 story condo w/open flr plan 1st fr MBR Vaulted ceilings hwdw flr in LL offers 4th BR and ent room w/wet bar & exercise room Too many upgrades to list Immaculate home \$399 900 (39SAW) 248 349 5600



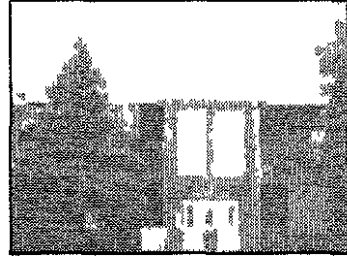
**MILFORD** - What a view Approximate y 5.79 acres of trees nature & privacy nestled into Kensington Metro Park 4 BR 2.5 BA colonial w/many updated amenities such as white island kit updated BAS hwdw stone firing & many more Finished walkout \$464 900 (00VAL) 248 349 5600



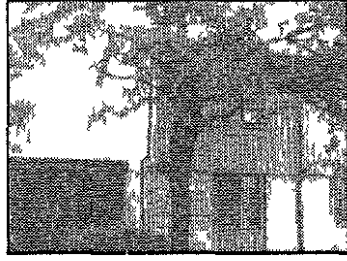
**CANTON** - Spacious condo Very neat & clean 3 BR 2.5 BA 2 story unit Neutral decor to DR has doorwall leading to your arge deck Part a y fr bsmt w/rec rm & addl rm for office o extra storage Large kitchen w/breakfast nook The list goes on & on \$209 900 (79SAR) 248 349 5600



**LIVONIA** - Location Location great Livonia ranch 3 bedroom 2 bath part in bsmt 2 car garage newer hickory kitchen cabinets Close to schools expressway & shopping Sub pool Bring the kids a picnic basket & bask in the sun \$229 900 (13KNO) 734 455 5600



**WESTLAND** - Move in cond on Great buy on this 2 bedroom condo offering vaulted ceilings n living room w/skyl ghts open floor plan & appliances stay + 1 year home warranty included \$107 500 (36SHO) 734 455 5600



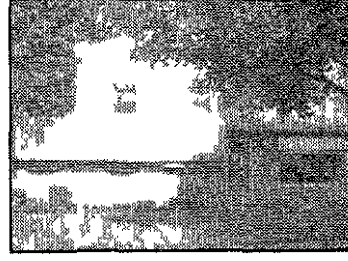
**CANTON** - 3 bedrooms townhouse Great location offering 3 bedroom 1.5 bath basement attached gar Newer windows H2O roof & sidng Kit appl spacious master ste w/a wail of closet Area pool & club house Great parking & quiet community \$147 700 (64BED) 734 455 5600



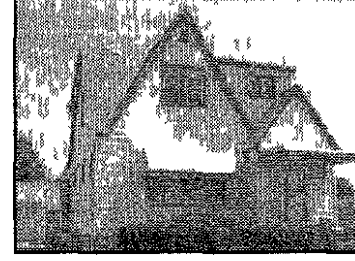
**WEST BLOOMFIELD** - Eastbury flr plan is one of Chelsea Park's most sought after 4 BR 3.2 BA 2 sta rcases FR s 2 story w/gorgeous view of the woods 2 story Fieldstone top c Finished w/o w/kitchen bathroom workout area payroom & TV area \$685 000 (48PEM) 248 349 5600



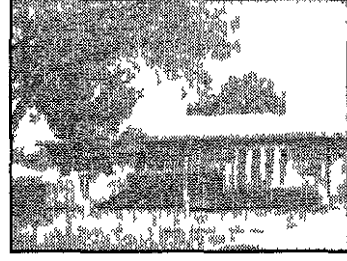
**LIVONIA** - Ultimate elegance describes this dramatic cape cod Gourmet kitchen features double oven ceramic back splash & upgraded cabs Sunny 2 story breakfast room with French door to deck Spacious dining room 2 story great room with custom mantle Custom lighting & upgraded carpet \$339 900 (48VIS) 248 349 5600



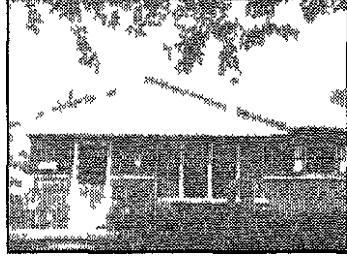
**LIVONIA** - Wonderful sub Fantastic 3 BR 1.5 BA brick home w/loads of updates Newer roof windows furnace & C/A Hardwood floors under carpet in bedrooms Oversized heated 2 car garage \$174 900 (44SUN) 248 349 5600



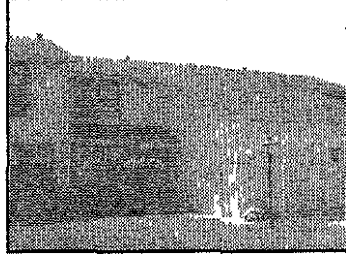
**DEARBORN** - Plenty of potential Home has plenty of sweat equity already has updated windows & vinyl siding Home being sold AS IS (109 900 (54COL) 734 455 5600



**WESTLAND** - Wonderful court setting Just move in & enjoy! Beautiful hwdw flrs updated kt w oak cabs newer windows roof furn C/A cement Part in bsmt w/tu bath 2 car garage Fenced yard This home is very clean & well cared for \$170 500 (45BAL) 734 455 5600



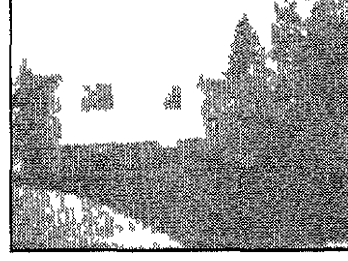
**WESTLAND** - Sold brick ranch 3 bedrooms 2 full baths in bsmt newer kit & foyer flrs kit appl freshly painted hwdw flrs newer windows steel entry doors H2O bsmt blk windows garage door vinyl garage 29x19 deck + 2.5 car garage \$134 700 (11HUB) 734 455 5600



**NOVI** - Wow Come see for yourself 2 BR 1.5 BA 2 story townhouse in Lakewood Park homes Full basement garage w/extra parking Neutral decor w/custom chandeliers Novi Schools \$149 500 (17ORA) 248 349 5600



**CANTON** - Fantastic colonia 4 BR 2.5 BA home w/lots of oak & w/coming coors Mstr BR has caihedra ceiling walk in closet & 2 person whirlpool tub Extra large deck in quiet surroundings 2 car attached garage & so much more to see \$240 000 (87PAR) 248 349 5600



**BRIGHTON** - Brighton Schools close by Lots of living space in this 4 BR 1.5 BA quad level Family room with fireplace Large backyard with arge deck Extra arge 2.5 car garage & shed Home warranty included \$219 900 (44HOL) 248 349 5600

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**NORTHVILLE \$1,890,000**  
BOUNDLESS AMENITIES, EXQUISITE ESTATE! Located in SW Oakland county on private wooded 10 plus acres w/6000+ SF 6 BR 6 baths 2 lavs w/o LL w/au pair ste exercise/spa room & indoor heated pool! (71HUN2)

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**PLYMOUTH \$489,000**  
VALUE IN THE LAND! Over one acre Best use commercial or office All utilities! Perfectly located! (95FIV8)

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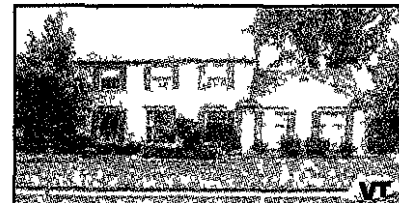
**WIXOM \$420,000**  
BEAUTIFUL HOME CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN MILFORD and Proud Lake Rec area Bilt in 2001 4 BRs 2 5 bth gourmet kit w/Corian & cherry cabinetry w/o LL 3 car gar & more! (83DEL2)

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**PLYMOUTH \$374,900**  
COLONIAL ON 1/2 ACRE! 5 bedrooms 4 baths 2nd attached 2 car garage Finished walk out basement Updated roof (02) carpet (03) Jenn Aire kitchen 1/2 acre (23S47023)

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**PLYMOUTH \$374,900**  
BEAUTIFUL RIDGEWOOD WEST COLONIAL 4 BR 2 5 BA imm poss 2451 SF mstr & FR has vaulted ceilings stained deck w/bt in hot tub and more Top notch schools great location don't miss out! (Q48921)

734-591 9200



**NORTHVILLE \$320,000**  
BEAUTIFUL CONDO IN COUNTRY CLUB VILLAGE Open spacious sunlit condo with view of pond 3 bedrooms 3 5 baths 2 frp aces study w/tn bay window island kitchen Perfect! (90COU2)

248-348 6430



**CANTON \$299,900**  
GORGEOUS CUSTOM 1994 BUILT 4 BR 2 5 BA colon a loaded w/upgrades in Plymouth Canton school dist 2 stry foyer w/recess lls mstr ste w/skyglt WIC sep shower & jetted tub gour met kit (5576)

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**NOVI \$290,000**  
BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL IN WHISPERING MEADOWS Spacious 4 BR home w/large master suite & bath Wooded yard and front sidewalk a real plus Newer roof furnace & windows Home warranty provided (06SUN2)

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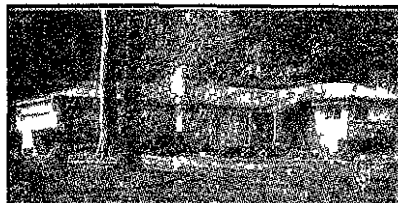
**CANTON \$286,900**  
COUNTRY FEELING ranch n Canton 1 38 fenced acres borders golf course 3 bdrm 2 full baths newly crtd Heated Florida rm mstr nutes from 275 3 5 car gar Immed occupancy (23H2344)

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**CANTON \$274,900**  
BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL IN MAPLE RIDGE SUB Great open floor plan Family room has cathedral ceilings and a skylight Spacious kitchen w/large nook area Dining room has a large bay window w/wooded view (M415)

734 326 2000



**LIVONIA \$269,900**  
SECLUDED AREA OF COVENTRY Hard to find 4 BR raised ranch w/newer kit w/merrit cup boards newer wndws newer carpet in frn bsmt w/g ass blk 3 full baths lg utl ty rm lg lot & more! (S16184)

734 591 9200



**DEARBORN \$257,500**  
GROWING FAMILY SPACE IS YOURS IN THIS 2 story brk colonial almost 2000 sq ft throughout w/3 full baths remodeled kitchen w/dw custom cabinetry & marble floor full fin basement w/office & more (D172)

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**CANTON \$254,900**  
HARD TO FIND RANCH! Plymouth Canton school 3 bedrooms 2 full baths eat n kitchen Huge family room & enclosed sun porch Beautifully landscaped (23C7627)

734 455 7000



**WESTLAND \$249,900**  
ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS HOME IN BEAUTIFUL SUB Aside from the lush landscape & beautifully maintained exterior this home is mint & ready for you to move right in! Large deck leads to submerged pool and more (S727)

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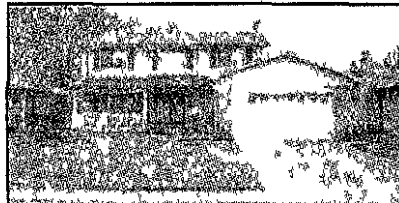
**CANTON \$234,900**  
PERFECT FOR ENTERTAINING is this 3 bedroom ranch on 1 38 acres in Canton Formal dining rm w/doorwall to beautiful lg deck & hot tub Remode ed kit & bath w/oak cabinetry & more! (D270)

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**NORTHVILLE \$234,900**  
GREAT LOCATION! WALK TO TOWN! 2 sto y home on g of 3 BR 3 baths newer roof Pe a windows Was ncome p opeerty but can be converted to a family home Never a better time to buy! (15NOV2)

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**CANTON \$229,900**  
HURRY! BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL WILL NOT LAST! New updates th u out no ud ng if a um num s dng ga age door & front & back decks Neutral carpet replaced n 2000 The house shows pr de of ownership (C6S62)

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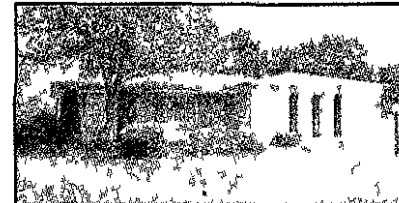
**FARMINGTON \$229,500**  
NOT A DRIVE BY! MUST SEE! Farm npton 4 BR 2 5 bath ranch FR w/frp fu l bsmt some hwd frs over 1 500 SF 20 foot covered pat o 2 car attached garage & gorgeous private backyard (02MAP2)

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**NORTHVILLE \$214,900**  
CAREFREE & RELAXED LIFESTYLE! 2 story contemporary condo 2 BR 2 5 bth FR w/lp ceiling fan & doorwa to deck Cozy kt lib sunroom 2 car att garage & peaceful sett ng (64BOU2)

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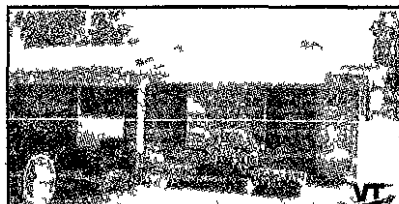
**FARMINGTON HILLS \$209,900**  
FARMINGTON HILLS! Spacious Camelot Courts ranch Beautiful lot 1 592 SF 3 BR 1 5 BA FP bsmt g yard & close to shopping & highways 1 yr home warranty (46HSY2)

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**CANTON \$209,900**  
CANTON BRICK RANCH! Lovely 3 bedroom 2 5 bath brick ranch on a private cul de sac with a beautiful wooded view from deck Spacious bright kitchen opens to family room (23R6556)

734 455-7000



**PLYMOUTH \$199,900**  
UPDATED PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP HOME! Walk to local elem school or walk to H nes Park either way this charming ranch has location all over 1 Full base 2 car det FR w/a FP & tons of updates (H11520)

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**LIVONIA \$197,500**  
HIGHLY DESIRED COVENTRY GARDENS! 1753 SF tr level with large lot A great opportunity at this price (C34037)

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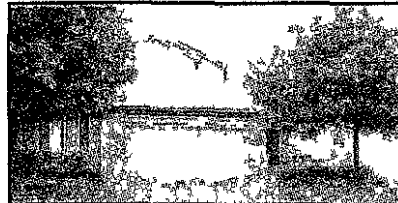
**LIVONIA \$194,600**  
OVER AN ACRE! Beautiful grounds brick ranch with 1 replace in living room garage & basement Lot is 165x299 Call to see! (P19127)

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**NOVI \$185,000**  
ALL THE WORK IS DONE SPARKLING NOVI RANCH! 3 BR 2 baths fresh paint & all new moldings Kitchen remodeled mstr bath updated windows HW/H & carpet n 2001 Lg yard & close to school/park (40WIL2)

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**WESTLAND \$179,900**  
SWARREN & WEST OFF WAYNE RD! Luxury 1300 SF 2 BR 2 5 BA condo w/frn bsmt & 2 car garage (54QUA2)

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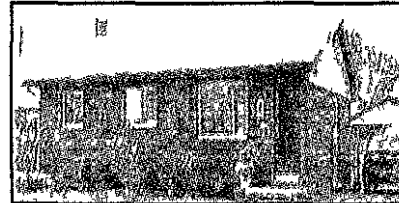
**WESTLAND \$169,900**  
ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS WELL MAINTAINED Tri level Anderson windows throughout 2 car att garage w/door to backyard Florida room off dining room overlooking backyard & wooded area A must see! (S400)

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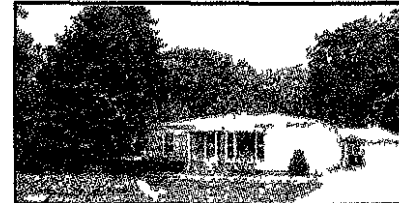
**LIVONIA \$169,900**  
A DOLL HOUSE A PLEASURE TO SEE Totally updated inside and out 3 BR 1 5 BA basement & garage Private deck Beautiful perennial gardens (S30545)

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**WESTLAND \$163,900**  
ABSOLUTELY ADORABLE! Well loved 3 bdrm 1 bath ranch in Westland Updates include large deck bathroom beautifully renovated refur bished hrdwd frs Bsmt living space w/storage (23S38304)

734-455 7000



**LIVONIA \$159,900**  
LOOKING FOR A HOME where you can move right in without doing any work? If so I have a beautiful 3 BR 1 5 BA 1400 SF ranch on a half acre lot! A definite must see! (P20055)

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**WESTLAND \$159,900**  
THIS IS IT! ALL THE SPACE YOU NEED! Family friendly 3 bdrm 2 full baths den/brary large eat n kit & large family room w/gas fireplace all on one main floor Whole house attic fan (P323)

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**WESTLAND \$154,900**  
BRIGHT & SPACIOUS 4 BR colonial 1 5 baths C A full basement 2 car att d gar Newer windows & entry door Nice & clean (H345)

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**LIVONIA \$153,500**  
YOU WANT IT ALL? 3 BR 2 bath ranch with huge garage Basement mostly finished It even has a Jacuzzi! Home is n good condition Come check it out (F18208)

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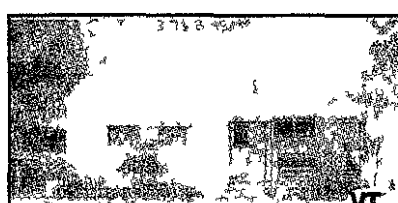
**DEARBORN \$148,900**  
THIS HOME IS CUTE, CUTE, CUTE! Over 1000 sq ft & shows extremely well! Close to park school tennis & swimming Nice garden patch behind 2 5 car gar Too many updates to list! (21UNI2)

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**REDFORD \$139,900**  
3 BEDROOM BRICK BUNGALOW New kitchen cabinets counter tops flooring updated electric plumbing glass block vinyl windows hardwood floors South Redford Schools (R11426)

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**REDFORD \$139,900**  
NOT A TYPICAL BUNGALOW Cathedral ceilings skylights 3 BR 2 bath fin bsmt gourmet kit vinyl wndws recessed lts 90+ eff furnace hrdwd frs 2 5 car garage (K15595)

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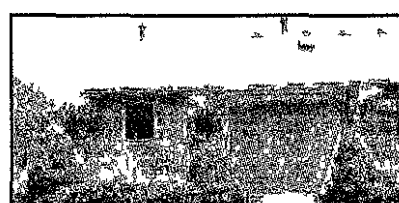
**GARDEN CITY \$137,000**  
WHAT A NEIGHBORHOOD! This 3 bdrm ranch makes a great start for some lucky buyer Hrdwd frs in bdrm & under carpet n LR Newer furnace & c/a Deck off back 2 5 car gar w/cpener (23R30955)

734 455-7000



**ROMULUS \$115,950**  
ROOM TO ROAMI LARGE LOT Ranch w/attached garage barnstyle shed w/lot Home has 2 or 3 bedrooms large family room w/woodburning stove newer windows and home warranty (G114)

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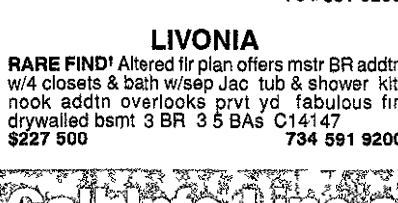
**SOUTH LYON \$112,900**  
SOUTH LYON RANCH CO OP! 55+ adult co op 2 bdrm 2 bath end unit w/extra wndws & part n bsmt Open floor plan w/vaulted ceilings Private courtyard entry Florida rm Move in ready (23P25389)

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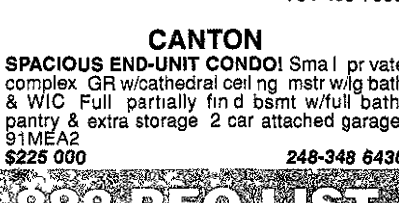
**INKSTER \$96,000**  
A BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR THE GROWING FAMILY A 4 bedroom Cape Cod waiting for you personal touches N ce backyard w/2 car garage Basement partially finished Home has some newer windows plus a new roof (3268)

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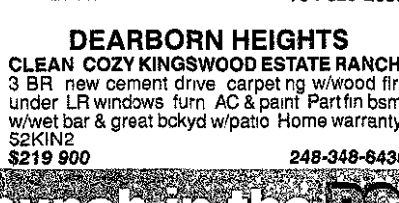
**LIVONIA \$227,500**  
RARE FIND! Altered flr plan offers mstr BR addtn w/4 closets & bath w/sep Jac tub & shower kit nook addtn overlooks privt yd fabulous fin drywalled bsmt 3 BR 3 5 BAs C14147

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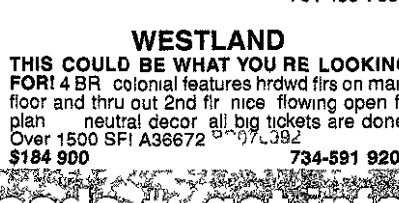
**CANTON \$225,000**  
SPACIOUS END-UNIT CONDO! Small private complex GR w/cathedral celng mstr w/g bath & WIC Full partially fin d bsmt w/full bath pantry & extra storage 2 car attached garage 91ME22

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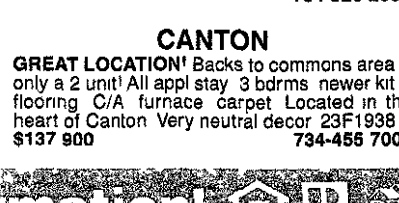
**DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$219,900**  
CLEAN COZY KINGSWOOD ESTATE RANCH! 3 BR new cement drive carpet ng w/wood frs under LR windows furn AC & paint Part fin bsmt w/wet bar & great bokyd w/patio Home warranty! S2KIN2

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**WESTLAND \$184,900**  
THIS COULD BE WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING FOR! 4 BR colonial features hrdwd frs on main floor and thru out 2nd fr nice flowing open flr plan neutral decor all big tickets are done Over 1500 SF! A36672 07-07-392

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**CANTON \$137,900**  
GREAT LOCATION! Backs to commons area & only a 2 unit! All appl stay 3 bdrms newer kit & flooring C/A furnace carpet Located in the heart of Canton Very neutral decor 23F1938

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Call Info Line at 888-REO-LIST, punch in the PC code #, get information!



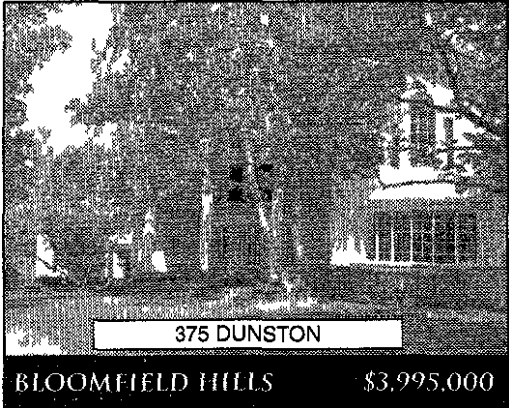
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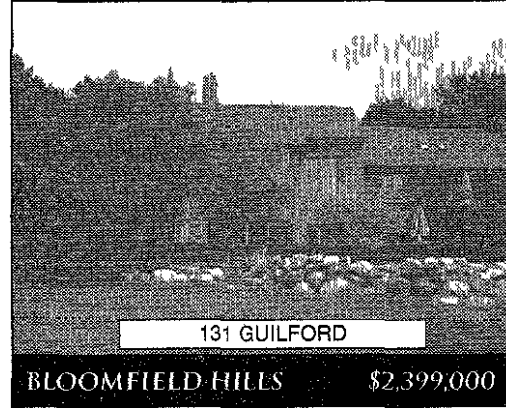
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$3,995,000

Custom designed home updated and totally renovated on premier street in City of Bloomfield Hills! Home has been architecturally changed to fit the lifestyle of those buyers wanting high end new amenities. Master suite w/his & her baths & walk in closets plus four bedroom suites. Marble foyer hardwood floors

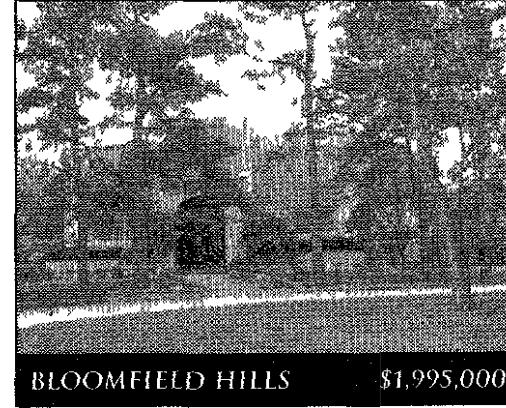
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131 GUILFORD  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$2,399,000

Fabulous private estate in Vaughan Road area. Soft contemporary Lub n des gn w/open floor plan for great entertaining. High ceilings wonderful views serene master suite w/sitting room. Great 4 5 bedroom walk out. Just reduced!!

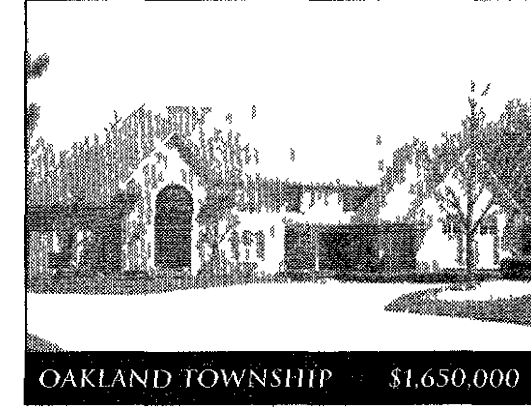
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BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$1,995,000

Wonderful David Lubin contemporary. Beautifully done in every way. Large spaces ideal for entertaining along with lovely grounds w/pool. Five bedrooms 5 full & 1 half bath gym off master bedroom

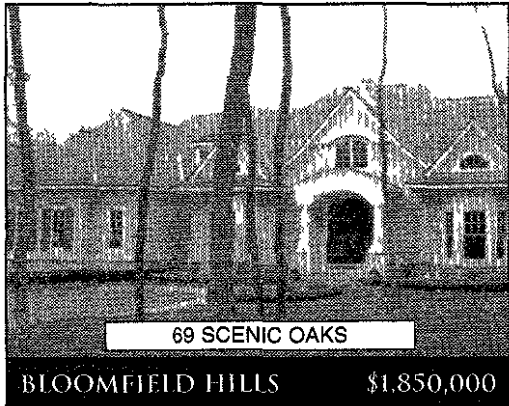
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OAKLAND TOWNSHIP \$1,650,000

Phenomenal executive home on a private lot. Gourmet kitchen w/cherry cabinets and top end appliances. Four bedrooms 4 full & 2 half baths library w/judge s paneling & bookcases. Lower level walk out w/kitchen

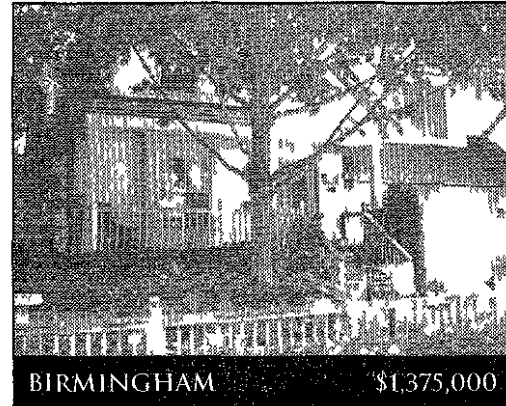
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69 SCENIC OAKS  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$1,850,000

Fabulous 4 000 sq ft ranch in a very private development. Three bedrooms 3 full & 1 half bath double story marble foyer. Gourmet kitchen w/bay windowed breakfast room and 1 replace. Serene master suite w/2 fitted closets & luxurious bath

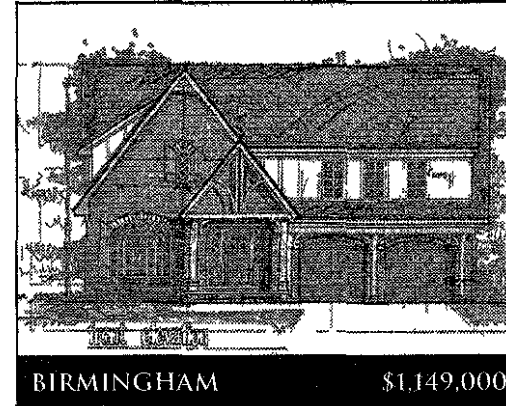
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BIRMINGHAM \$1,375,000

Complete well located n town renovation. Four bedrooms 4 5 baths wonderful yard with pool and patio. Dining room and library. This home has it all! \$1 375 000

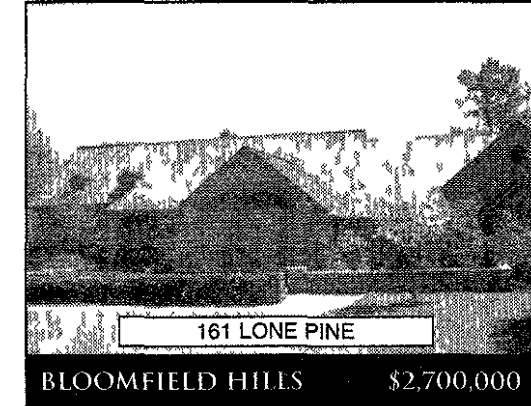
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BIRMINGHAM \$1,149,000

New construction in Poppleton Park area. Four bedroom colonial can be ready for late winter 03 occupancy. Beautiful kitchen w/granite countertops & custom cabinetry. Master bedroom w/fireplace

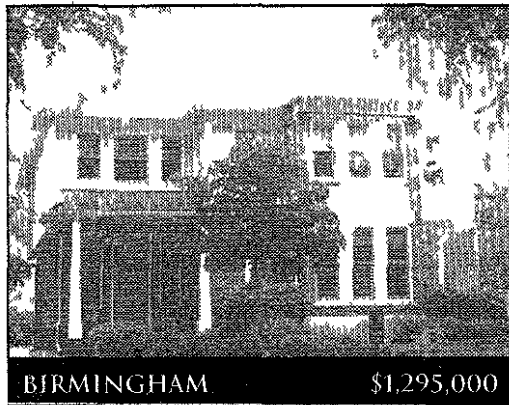
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161 LONE PINE  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$2,700,000

Spectacular setting on almost 3 acres in the City of Bloomfield Hills. Home was remodeled in 93. First floor guest suite master bedroom w/fireplace living room his & her baths 2 large walk in closets. Beautifully landscaped yard

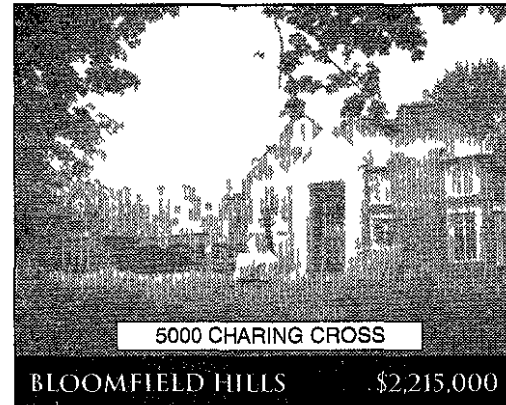
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BIRMINGHAM \$1,295,000

Large open floor plan better than new. Gorgeous kitchen w/hardwood floors built ins. Huge master suite w/tray ceiling his her closets & jetted tub. Professionally finished lower level w/home theater. Very private backyard

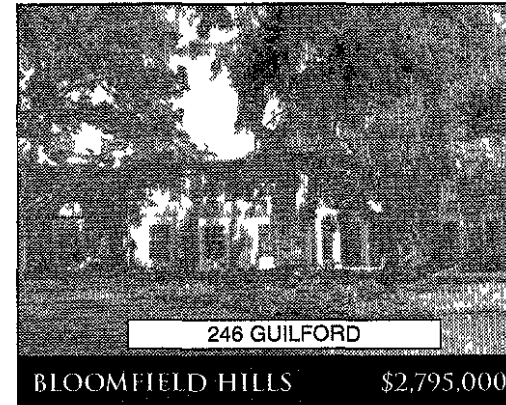
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5000 CHARING CROSS  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$2,215,000

Custom quality built home. Situated high on a beautiful wooded private 1 4 acres overlooking a tranquil pond

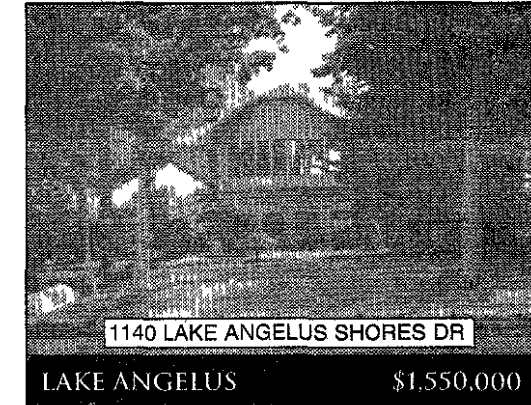
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248 GUILFORD  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$2,795,000

Gracious center entrance colonial with marble foyer. Totally renovated and remodeled estate on private acreage with pool and cabana. Cabana features changing room kitchen and two baths. Open floor plan with large rooms warm and charming w/many updates. Two garages

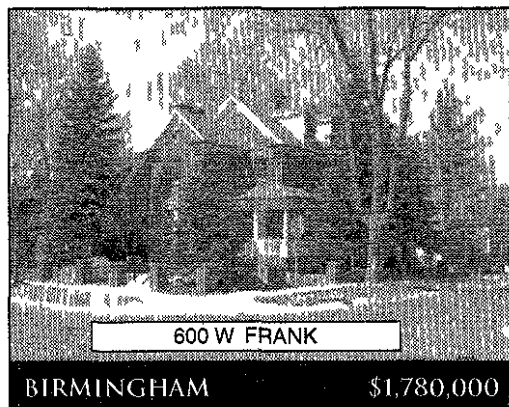
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LAKE ANGELUS \$1,550,000

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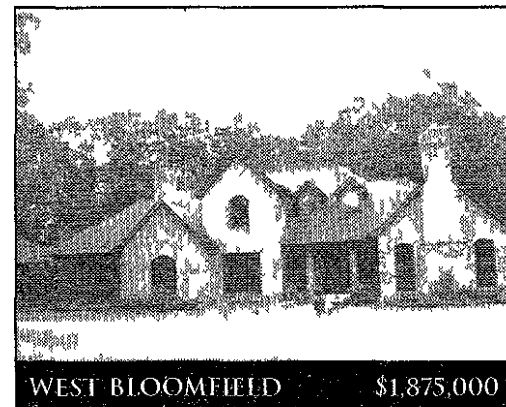
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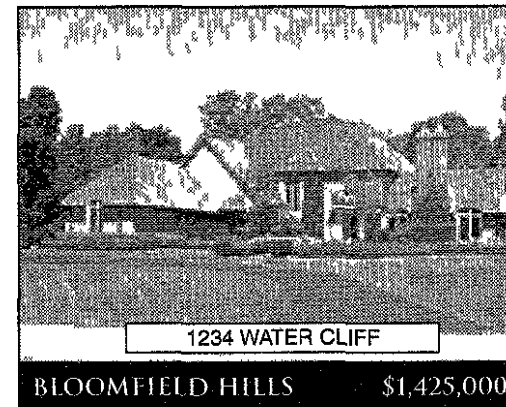
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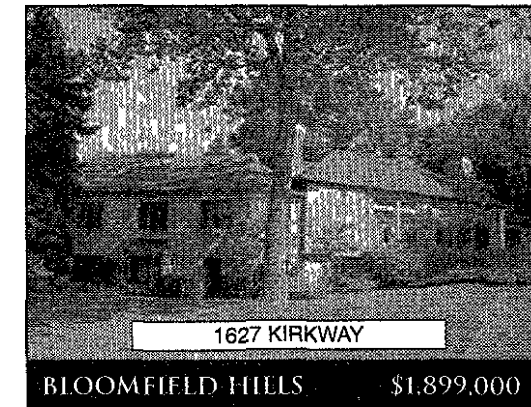
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1234 WATER CLIFF  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$1,425,000

Custom Tudor with the finest detailed craftsmanship and professional decor. Elegant master suite with fireplace marble master bath wood deck finished lower level 3 car garage

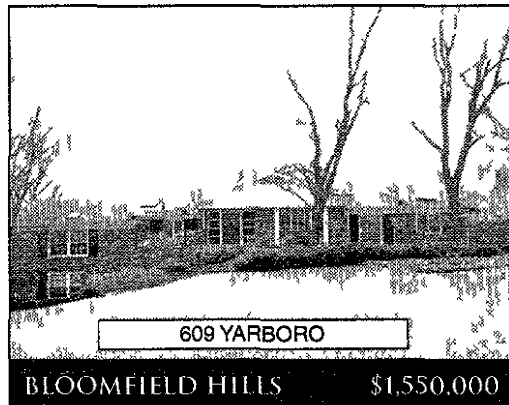
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1627 KIRKWAY  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$1,899,000

Panoramic views of sweeping lawn & Kirk In The Hills with Island Lake 1 9 acre frontage. Beautiful updated sophisticated ranch. Cherry and granite kitchen w/coffered ceiling. First floor master suite includes sitting room

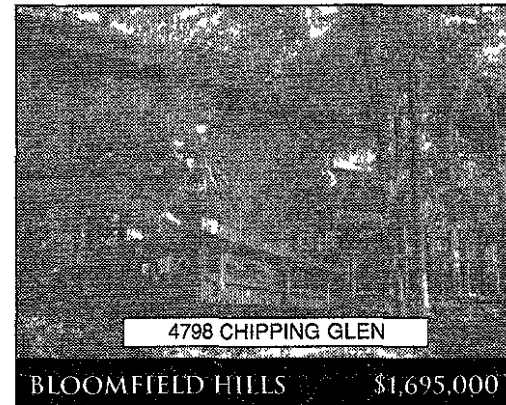
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609 YARBORO  
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$1,550,000

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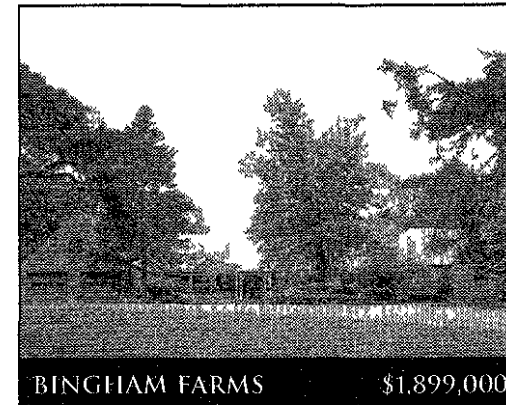
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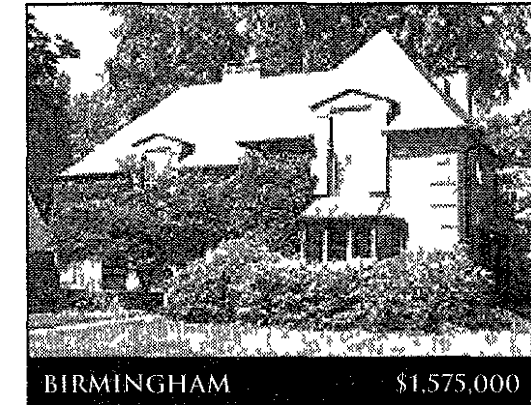
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BINGHAM FARMS \$1,899,000

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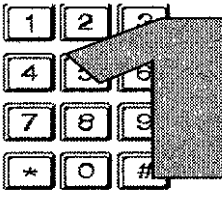


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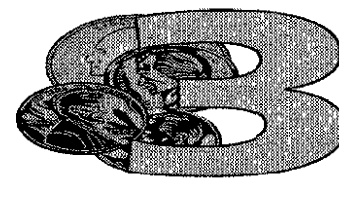
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A REAL GEM I am a 56 year old appearing WWWW 49 57 humo us homemaker aggressive Loves the outdoors gardening travel and sports Seeking a SM 39 70 compact size and nice looking Ad# 488338

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GOOD NATURED SWF 55 med um build college graduate non smoker Enjoys walking theater movies walking and more Seeking a SWM 63 plus 53 62 who is well groomed and professional for friends' first Ad# 470281

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LIFE IS TOO SHORT SWF 61 med um height with blue eyes and blonde hair Enjoys playing active and havng fun Looking for a N/S SWM 58 66 who does n't pay head games Ad# 420012

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A COMPANION SWF 46 p fess onal full figured Enjoys concerts time with family travel walking and more Seeking a SM who is open honest outgoing and reliable Ad# 473235

COMPANIONSHIP Classy blonde WWWW 65 53 120 lbs who enjoys dining out golf and travel Seeking for a SWM 50 60 who's honest and secure for friendship f st Ad# 473072

GOAL ORIENTED SWF 29 59 with bluish green eyes and a full figure interests are fishing camping swimming and much more In search of a SWM 28 37 for a friendsh p to start that can lead into a long term relationship Ad# 471980

SHY BUT OUTGOING SWF 42 petite with blonde hair and blue eyes Interests are the outdoors working out gardening etc Seeking for an active fit SWM 35 47 who has similar interests with good morals Ad# 418148

NEW TO THE ADS Loving a blonde SWF 21 52 160 lbs 28 arm complex on Enjoys basketball football and more Looking for a confident SWM who knows what he wants out of life Ad# 471886

ENJOY LIFE SWF 37 57 with blue eyes and brown hair Interests are time with friends and blue eyes Interests are going music and concerts Looking to a SWM 30 45 who is fun to be around Ad# 444855

ALWAYS SMILING SWF 44 57 with brown hair and hazel eyes interests a swim ming shopping NASCAR fishing and much more In search of a SWM 5 11 63 34 50 who's honest and trustworthy Ad# 488434

WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU? SWF 56 56 average bu d w th brown hair & eyes interested in gardenng dancing swim ming cooking & romantic evenings Looking for a honest faith ful SWM 51 60 w th great eyes who enjoys ch dren and nte gting out sat on Ad# 468 08

AWESOME COOK! Fun loving outgoing SWF 44 57 brown hair and green eyes loves to laugh My hobbies include tve el swimming boating and shopping m searching for an honest loving outgoing SWM 34 52 1 6 2 w th a husky bu d Ad# 489027

READ THIS! SWF 32 57 enjoys long walks oler blind rd king good conversation and motorcycles She's looking for a nice attractive financially secure SWM 28 37 no dgs and no games Ad# 469008

ONE DAY AT A TIME SWF 45 52 145 lbs with brown hair and hazel eyes Interests are NASCAR computers singing music playing the guitar and much more In search of a SWM 45 52 who wants to enjoy life Ad# 468132

CALL ME! Single blonde female 43 I am a nurse and love to have fun Looking for a single male 16 99 who's mature Ad# 468602

AN OPEN BOOK Funny caring outgoing SWF 24 56 190 lbs Enjoys drawing w th golf pro sports and long walks Looking for a nice attractive financially secure SWM 28 37 no dgs and no games Ad# 468722

A TRUE ROMANTIC SWF 49 53 auburn hair brown eyes vivacious outgoing and bubbly Enjoys playing bridge travel dining movies quiet times and more Seeking a SWM 35-45 who's tall well educated sincere and has a great sense of humor Ad# 468339

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CONVERSATIONALISTS SWF 48 57 attractive med um build and light brown hair Interests are walking hiking dining out movies the water and much more Looking for a tall SWM 42 57 who's easygoing with sim lar interests Ad# 465585

LEAVE ME A MESSAGE! SWF 45 57 brown hair and eyes 120 lbs N/S down to earth humorous and honest Seeking a SWM over 34 for a possible relationship Ad# 421180

ROMANTIC LADY SWF 30 58 sexy and attract ve interests are basketball football playing pool the beach and more Looking for a SWM 28-40 who is honest romantic funny and open minded Ad# 469758

HONEST & SINCERE SWF 49 55 brown hair and blue eyes Outgoing and shy My hobbies are outdoors antiques and cooking Looking for a SWM 49 57 honest and enjoys outdoor thly funny car ng and owning Ad# 468915

CONVERSATIONALIST SWF 53 54 114 lbs w th blonde hair Interests are theater antiques shopping reading plays and much more In search of a SWM over 42 who's honest and sincere for friendship f st Ad# 441146

PRETTY & PLAYFUL SWF 42 54 with short auburn hair and blue eyes Enjoys time with the child en blding walking and much more In search of a N/S SWM 40 48 who's fun loving good natured and enjoys kids Ad# 450939

EASYGOING & HUMOROUS SWF 55 sem ete d enjoys the outdoors Fo idas concerts walking reading etc n search of a SWCM unde 69 who has time for a relationship with a great sense of humor Ad# 450421

DO YOU LOOK LIKE KEN? Fun ful figure SWF 57 enjoy long te ks boating moto cycles dancing love kds in my family oriented and get a long with all types of people Looking for a SWM 45 55 who is out to dinner with and see where t goes from there Ad# 450091

50/60 SWF 48 attract ve intellige nt loving and dedicated Seeking a SWM 44 60 who is sincere and small gentle humo us N/S and honest for a long time devoted relationship Ad# 448774

ARE WE COMPATIBLE? SWF 32 mother of 2 who kng part time and going to school part time Enjoys eading wr ting poetry and more Seeking a SWM 40 60 who's kind and compassionate if you a e that special guy eva e a message Ad# 446605

2 IS BETTER SWF 49 5 6 blonde hair b o w n eyes organz ed intellige nt part p easant Enjoys theater travel music and more Seeking a SWCM ove 46 who is loyal down to earth and not into games Ad# 446995

SUNNY DAYS Pretty blond woman 37 divorced with woman employed w th two children Enjoys camping outdoors s and bow ng Looking for a man 32 45 with s m interests Ad# 429558

GOOD NATURED SWF 47 53 dark brown hair outgoing sincere and fun loving Enjoys shopping travel dining concerts the outdoors pncs and more Seeking a SWM 40 60 who's sincere outgoing fun loving family oriented and is a kid at heart Ad# 442747

WANT TO HAVE FUN Pat te very honest SWF 42 yrs o d 52 enjoys outgoing walks theater taveling jazz concerts Looking for a gving open SWM 39 55 yrs old who wants to enjoy each others company and have fun Ad# 442 80

NOTHING BETTER NOTHING GAINED SWF 62 yrs o d very active and likes to be on the move I enjoy my family and friends Looking for SWM o one to my age who is also active and wants to hook up and talk Ad# 442050

SPONTANEOUS & BUBBLY SWF 39 5 5 with blonde hair Enjoys theater the outdoors read ng and more n search of a SWM 32 59 who's spontaneous humorous adventurous and ov ng Ad# 442019

ENERGETIC MALE 56 white male 57 medium bu d ft brown hair hazel eyes neat beard teacher Likes outdoors fishing travel dining out music music pays art shows Seeks woman mid 40's to 50's attractive ft intel gent long term relationship Sw avassee Ad# 403918

IT'S NOW OR NEVER Nice looking SWM 44 51 190 lbs my enjoyments are NASCAR races eating out outdoor concerts am seeking SNCF 25 40 who enjoys the same Ad# 491514

NO EXTRA BAGGAGE SWM 48 who likes the outdoors fishing camping boating and animals Seeking SWF 38 48 for a soul mate to have some nice times together Ad# 480941

HELLO THERE! Nice looking SWM 65 looking for casual dating with attractive SF 30-45 enjoys organic walks in the park most sports holding hands board games plus more Ad# 497456

ALL AROUND GUY SWM 28 63 275 lbs pretty smile at eight teeth student with vehicle Seeking SF under 40 to spend time with Ad# 497132

HARLEY WILL TRAVEL Seeking adventurous woman under 55 for fun times with this SWM who has a Harley bike Ad# 496428

WANNA FALL IN LOVE? We're but 1 58 185 lbs 38 yrs old SWM who's looking for a woman to have fun and enjoys quiet times with that special woman Looking for an honest trustworthy SWF 25 45 for dining out movies and dancing Ad# 442480

WHY NOT? Divorced sm th female 59 61 enjoys outdoors gardening working in the home doing the water and much much more Sea chng for a slm w th female family oriented to friendship and possibly more Ad# 403951

MILK CHOCOLATE Charming outgoing SWM 26 160 lbs ght complex on interests include basketball friends and cut to a Seeking a SWF unde 32 with a great sense of humor Ad# 495724

A REAL MAN SWM young 53 ong b own hair 5 9 25 lbs sam e ad N/S Seeking a nice looking AF 2 35 who's a non mate a act and marriage minded Ad# 489577

GOOD CATCH Kind warm sensitive SWM 39 59 enjoys many interests Seeking a well sated balanced SWF who knows herself Ad# 495535

YOU AND ME SWM 35 51 75 lbs outgoing I like meeting new people n the a Seeking educated SF 25 45 who's a great sense of humor For dancing drinks and much more Ad# 485057

YOUR OPENING LINE Attractive easygoing SWM 33 6 med um build with brown hair and eyes Likes going places Desires to meet I keab e SF 18 36 open and no hang ups Ad# 484159

BIG HUGS SWF 54 511 enjoys dining shooting pool good movies and quiet times at home together Looking for an acceptng SF 18 plus Ad# 473348

WAITING FOR YOU Single white male 29 155 lbs blue eyes self employed outgoing nice looking intelligent Likes fishing seeking a nice female 24 35 career oriented Ad# 4817 1

GIVE ME A CALL Outgoing SWM 28 easy to get along with Looking for a passion a SWF for friendship first possy by more Ad# 500 09

EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL SWM 48 5 8 light brown hair blue eyes Looking for a passion date compass onate p fess onal SWF 28 45 Lv on a sea Ad# 449863

LIFE IS BETTER SHARED White male dentist 6 173 lbs 54 years successful and attractive Seeking a white female 38 to 53 5 4 plus s m non smoker very attractive and physically fit who enjoys fine dining travel reading and seeking a best friend Ad# 409550

COME FLY WITH ME Handsome successful p ofes onal young ook ng/act ng 57 6 11 ft sprta charismatic Enjoys sports dancing the arts travel and conversat on Seeks an active s m female who's ready to enjoy fe to ts fullest 31 m ngham Ad# 417057

WARM WELCOME H m Jim and I enjoy sports movies music going out having some good times SWM 36 srth c e I keablg y seek ng earthy c etree SWF under 40 to n on some fun Ad# 489177

MAN SEeks WOMAN Not scared to dream and try new things SWM 22 high splited good humored m essive young guy I'm seeking an active attractive woman under 30 maybe 35 m sch evous Ad# 488653

EASY TO TALK TO Single white male 45 6 2 209 lbs muscuar athletic b own hair eyes outgoing and degree never married no dependents outgoing personality I love to relax reading working out etc Seeks a friendly single female Wayne County Ad# 404066

SPECIAL TIMES AHEAD This quiet and easygoing SWM 45 is seeking an outgoing and humo us SWF 32 40 who shares a mila interests with such as sports traveling and dng moto cycles Ad# 481888

LOOKING FOR ME? am a SWM 28 5 9 with dark hair eyes outgoing and fun to be a round like playing guitar fishing and outdoor sports and am looking to meet an attrac ve SF 8 38 Ad# 481886

WHO ARE YOU INSIDE? WWWW 48 510 200 lbs w th brown hair eyes and a mustache I'm fun loving and enjoy traveling I'm concerned about the world am n search of a SWF unde 65 who's happy with herself and wants to share a time together Ad# 48 479

TO HAVE AND HOLD SWM 23 dark hair shy sensitive loves outdoors s ong walks shooting pool mean eyes Seeking SWF who enjoys skyline holding hands for companion onsh p possible relationship on Ad# 481 27

SEIZE THE DAY Energetic SWF 45 5 10 70 lbs blonde hair blue eyes w th varied interests Seeking talented fun SWF 30 40 who likes outdoors Ad# 481086

EMPTY HOUSE SWM 54 6 200 lbs Loves keeping the outdoors neat and cooking SF w th a male va us and oves life for a relationship on Ad# 490755

FIND OUT MORE SWM 55 socia d nke Enjoys theater fine dining music fest va s camping and more Seeking a SF under 63 who is gentle outgoing kind hearted compassionate and pleasant Ad# 490488

A NEW START SWM 22 5 10 dark hair green eyes 75 lbs outgoing and humo us Enjoys sports music more going out with friends and more Seeking a SWF unde 26 who's onesy outgoing kind hearted and fun loving Ad# 480407

AYE AYE CAPTAIN SWM 45 who enjoys golfing the outdoors and cooking Spends weekends on his boat fishing and enjoying nature Seeking SWF 40 50 w th sim lar interests to companion onsh p Ad# 479892

CHARISMATIC SWM 18 enjoys coe ga basket ball football and spending time with that special someone Seeking a nice outgoing SWF who's possible relationship on Ad# 478948

COMMITMENT MINDS Secure hardworking SWM 34 6 1 240 lbs b own hair hazel eyes nice looking for a SWF 22 34 who's looking for a long term relationship Ad# 475705

BEST OF BOTH WORLDS 70 year old who loves to d vides time between Michigan and Florida when not traveling Seeking an active single SWF age not important to share a quality time Reading in NW Oak and County Ad# 479415

SOFT SPOKEN SWM 18 5 11 230 lbs ght blue eyes self employed outgoing 18 25 to companion onsh p and a possible relationship Ad# 479378

I CAN ENHANCE YOUR LIFE Upbeat fun SWM 48 6 2 med um build brown hair blue eyes Enjoys biking sailing gardening and cooking out Looking for a sincere SWF 45 53 Ad# 479230

NATURE BOY SWM 33 dark hair hazel eyes 6 207 lbs Athletic build is easygoing He enjoys all outdoors and more Seeking SWF 23 39 who's kind motivated and has sim lar interests for companion onsh p Ad# 479163

BACK TO THE BASICS SWM 35 6 195 lbs who has a great sense of humor and s romantic Seeking SWF under 45 who's kind hearted knows what she wants and takes care of herself for companion onsh p Ad# 479149

LOOKING FOR MISS RIGHT SWM 25 6 1 looking for a single female 23 40 who has a good head on her shoulders Ad# 479038

A NEW START SWM 50 handsome 5 5 145 lbs Seeking a SF 30-40 who's attractive for a possible relationship on Ad# 478611

MR NICE GUY SWM 48 5 10 175 lbs N/S nice gent outgoing Enjoys outdoors dining out and quiet times Seeking long term relationship with SWF 45 53 who is outgoing to same Ad# 477843

LIKE ME FOR ME SWM 23 5 8 with brown blonde hair and blue eyes Interests are music dining time with friends and much more Looking for a SF 18 25 who's honest sweet caring and kind Ad# 482276

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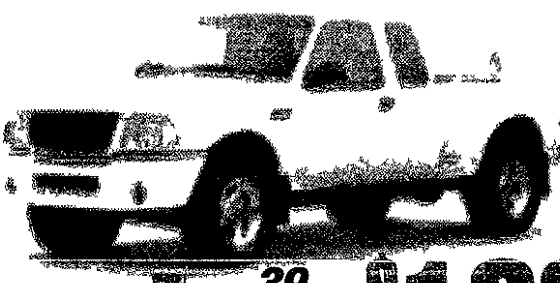
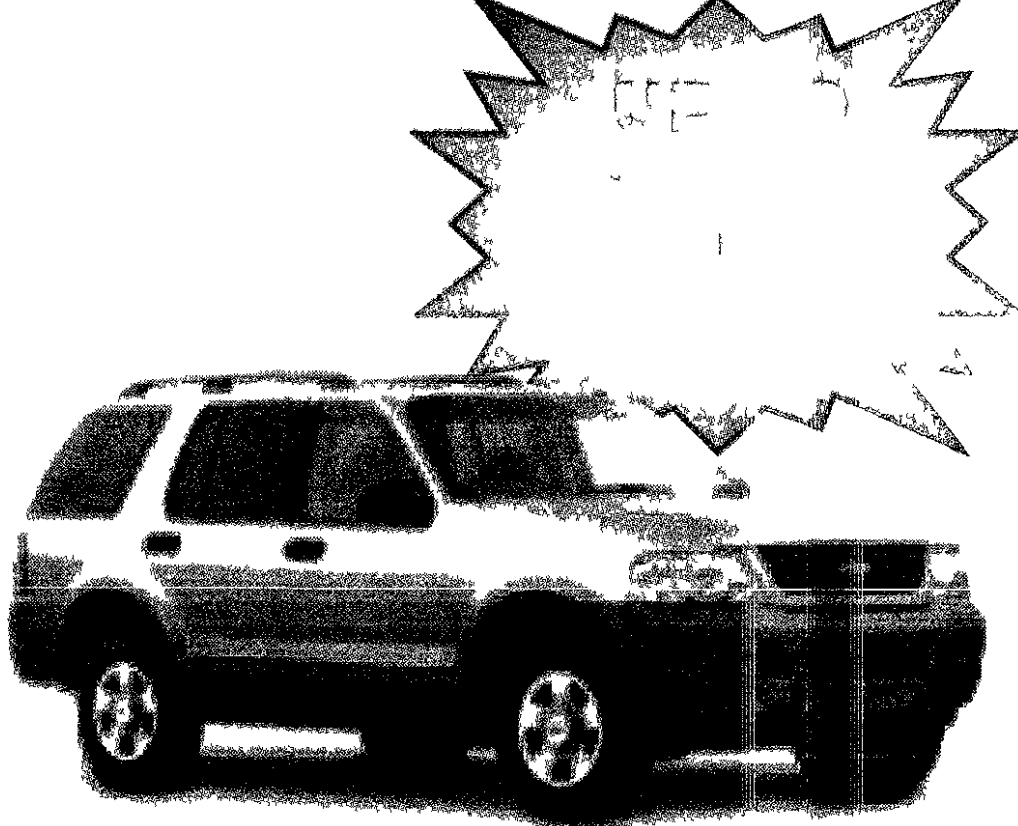
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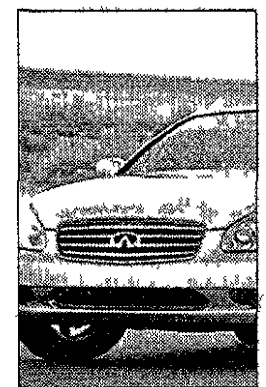
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BY DALE BUSS

With the XL-7, Suzuki apparently encountered something that was rather inevitable in the sport-utility-vehicle market, given how so many new players have jumped seriously into this segment in the last several years, a rather ordinary entry. The large, luxury-appointed 2003 Suzuki does nearly everything adequately but nothing extraordinary.

On paper and even in practice, there actually is much to recommend the XL-7. Its styling is restrained and rather boxy, making it a nice choice for consumer who want something different than the usual Explorers and Envoys but don't want to be marking themselves as too unconventional. Standard features include rear privacy glass, 16-inch aluminum wheels, heated driver- and passenger-side power mirrors and roof rails. The Limited version I drove also offers a rear spoiler, running boards in some versions and fog lights.

Performance is an example of where the vehicle's refinement comes into play. Suzuki, a General Motors affiliate, could find nothing larger than its 2.7-liter, V6, 24-valve dual-overhead cam engine to drop into the XL-7. So it provides only a maximum of 183 horsepower. That kind of power pulling a large SUV is alright at cruising speeds. But XL-7 definitely suffers from it in acceleration onto a highway or merging and even sometimes with just keeping up with fast-paced traffic. Even though XL-7 is listed as being able to tow up to 3,000 pounds, there's also a noticeable strain on the engine even when just carrying several adults in the passenger compartment. In a segment where XL-7 must compete with more-than-adequate powerplants provided by the domestic Big Three and Toyota and Honda, this is a major black mark against XL-7. On the flipside, however, XL-7 posts among the best fuel efficiency marks in its class, at 17 mpg around town and 20 mpg on the highway.

Moving inside XL-7 also demonstrates the pluses



The Suzuki XL-7 posts among the best fuel-efficiency marks in its class.

and minuses of middling execution in this segment. It builds on the basic virtues of its predecessor Grand Vitara model with a 12.6-inch longer wheelbase and an overall length that is 19.1 inches greater. Either trim level can include a third-row option that ups the total head count to seven passengers from five. But seven-passenger seating is almost a sine qua non in a serious luxury SUV these days, so its inclusion doesn't raise the XL-7 above the crowd of competitors. It's also worth noting that the third-row seat formerly was standard but now costs extra. And when the third row is in use, cargo capacity is very limited. Furthermore, the unlatching mechanism for dropping the third row seat into place isn't simple to operate, nor does the third row drop flush into place with the cargo floor, and that creates some crevices and other spaces into which items inconveniently can fall.

Similarly, in the quality of its ride, XL-7 performs well with minor bumps, and other imperfections in the road. But it doesn't handle large disturbances nearly as well as a vehicle of its class should. Handling is adequate at lower speeds, but it has difficulty handling higher cornering speeds. And cross-winds and bump seem to have a pronounced effect on XL-7's ability to hold its course.

Suzuki attempts to make up for some of this with a

load of interior amenities, which include on all editions such things as rear air conditioning, second-row split folding seats, power mirrors and door locks and remote keyless entry. On lusher versions, buyers can upgrade to alloy wheels, a nicely sized power tilt and slide sunroof, leather seating, a leather-wrapped steering wheel, two-speed intermittent wipers and a six-disk stereo system.

Safety and security are an arena where Suzuki does poke its head above the crowd. Safety features are competitive, including second-generation dual front air bags, daytime running lights, a child-seat latch system and optional ABS brakes. And with prices ranging up to \$26,000, XL-7 - like all Suzukis - is covered by what some believe to be the best warranty in the business, its new seven-year, 100,000-mile powertrain limited warranty. Unlike the 10-year, 100,000-mile warranties offered by Kia and Hyundai, Suzuki's is fully transferable to succeeding owners and free of deductibles for covered items.

Nevertheless, XL-7 overall doesn't provide enough compelling reasons to purchase it over the bevy of competitors.

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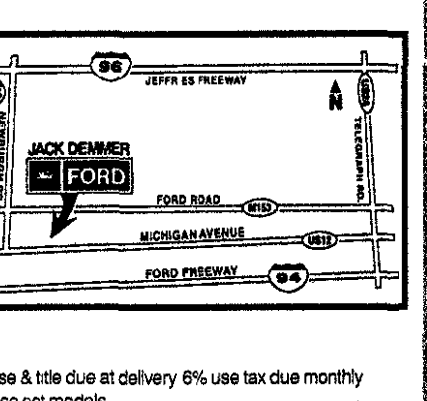
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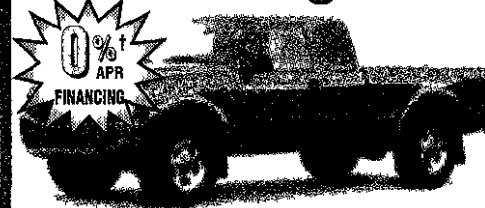
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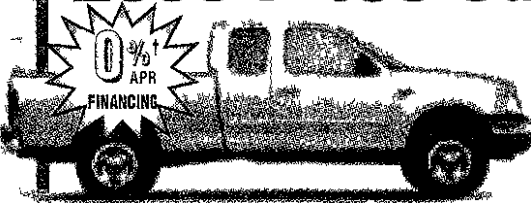
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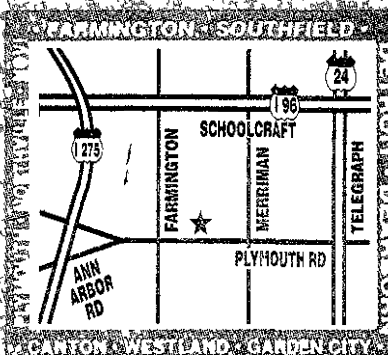
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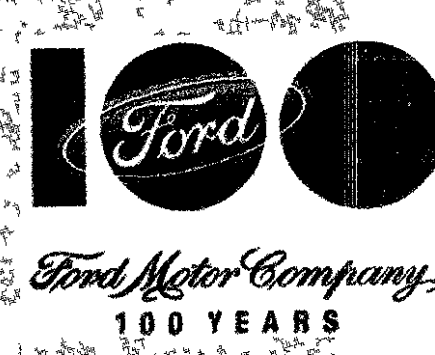
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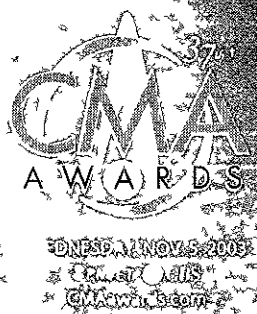
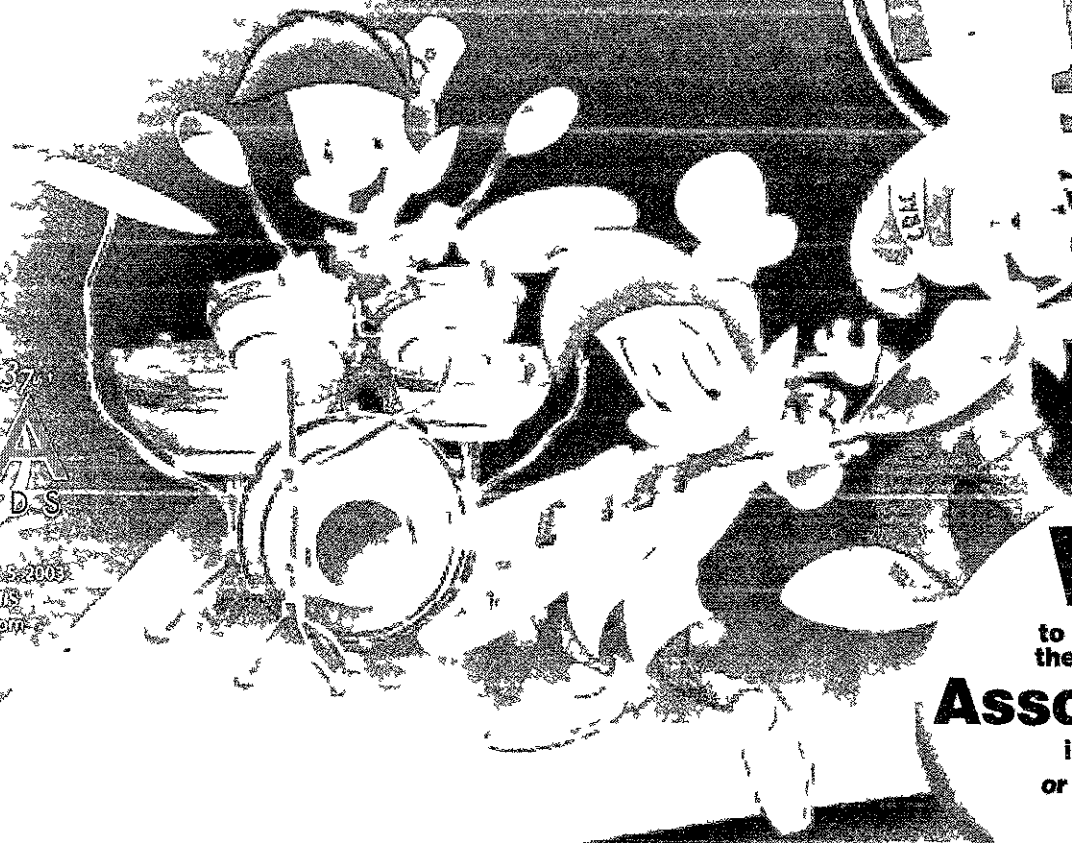
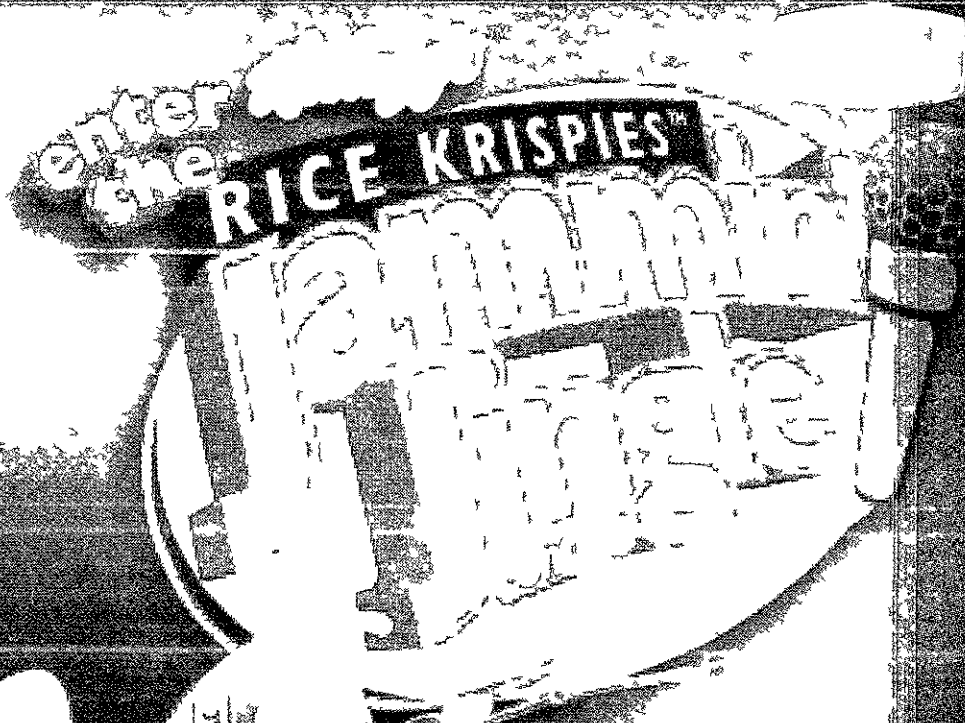
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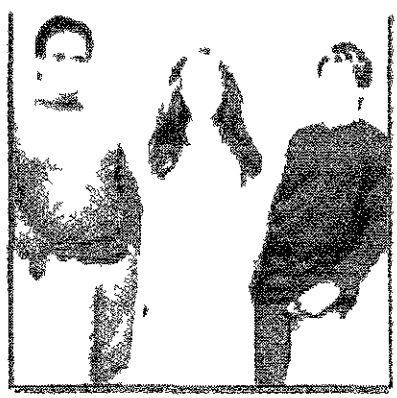
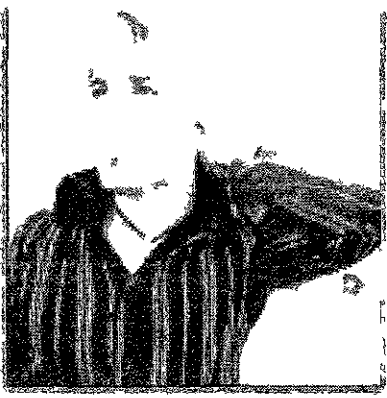
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# Hot Ticket

## 'Dally' is a big neighborhood party

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

Art made from garbage cans, an eclectic mix of live music, and good food – it's all part of Dally in the Alley on Saturday, Sept. 6.

Start with its hip, urban location: through the winding brick alleys of Detroit in the Cass Corridor area on Second and Third streets, between Forest and Hancock Avenue near Wayne State University.

Organizers call it a huge neighborhood block party and everyone's invited. Dally in the Alley originated in 1977 as an inner-city art fair organized by the North Cass Community Union, a nonprofit residential group aimed at preserving historic parts of the neighborhood and revitalizing neglected areas.

Today, Dally has grown into a multi-faceted festival with a 1960s rebellious yet positive energy. It's organized by a team of about 30 volunteers, even the entertainment donates their own time.

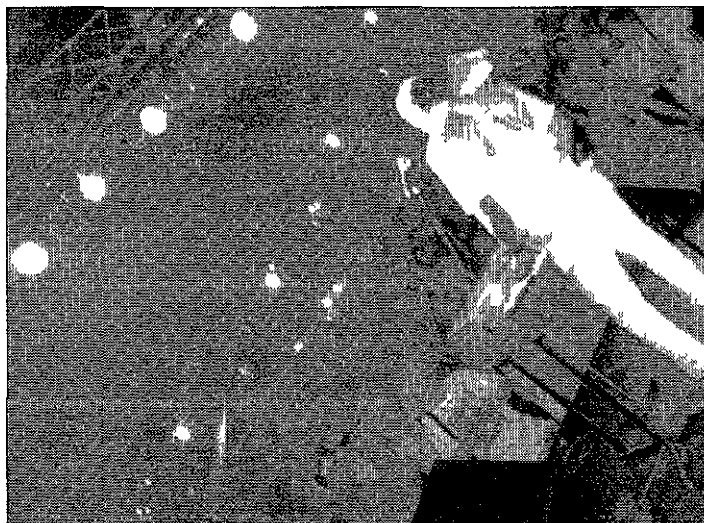
"It's completely a home-grown event," said Allen Schaerger, a co-founder of Dally decades ago. "It's not corporate-sponsored and you can feel that it's become a performing arts festival with very strong musical line-ups."

The volunteers have a pure goal: to improve the city and create a vivaciously cool event.

"We attract all kinds of people, being in Detroit. All races, all demographics come," said Connie Mangin, Dally's publicist. "It's situated in a good area to attract a diverse crowd. We're bordered by the museum district, Wayne State and the eclectic North Cass area."

Park on any side street and you might be invited to one of the many outdoor house parties hosted by students, professors or hipsters who live there. The event draws a mix of artists and art lovers, yuppies, students, political activists, music lovers and musicians, and families. About 30,000 people attended last year, more are expected this year.

If it's anything like last year, families will stroll the alleys during the day to view



The Electronic stage gets the crowd energized at last year's event.

### DALLY IN THE ALLEY

**What:** An art and music festival

**Where:** In brick alleys between Second and Third streets and between Forest and Hancock Avenue bordering Wayne State University and Detroit's Museum district

**When:** 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6

the edgy art while children play organized, creative games.

When the evening summer air cools, the environment changes as people move from stage to stage, dancing to the music. Throughout the day they sample foods like gourmet sandwiches, kabobs, rice dishes and more. There's also live entertainment throughout the day and night – everything from electronica to Flamenco, jazz, reggae, folk, rock, funk and punk. You name it, Dally has it.

It's a friendly, laid-back atmosphere. Join in intellectual conversations with strangers, socializing is embraced here.

You can bring lawn chairs, beverages and snacks for the long day, or visit one of the booths featuring food from local restaurants including Mario's, Carl's Chop House, Olympia Cafe, Mediterranean Cafe, Small World Cafe, Music Menu Cafe and Om Cafe. Motor City Brewing Works is supplying the beer, other beverages will also be

available for purchase.

Each stage focuses on different genres of music – folk and rock, electronica and world beats. Some bands worth checking out are Blackman & Arnold, Cass Avenue Ramblers, Twilight Babies, Bloom, Ara Topouzian ensemble, DJs Dan Immediately and Eugene Machine, plus many more.

This is our 26th year, Mangin said. "The Dally is actually a fund-raiser for the North Cass Community Union."

Event profits are used for many projects including building restoration, to support local soup kitchens, and provide music scholarships for neighborhood kids.

There are plans to reconstruct the historic Horace Dodge Garage, at 4753 Second St.

The garage was where the Dodge Brothers, John and Horace, first started designing automobiles.

It's all about rebuilding Detroit, and it seems to be working.

### Festival schedule

■ **Dally Gallery** 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Features the artwork of Mark Arminski, Tony Gomez, Rachel Reed, Gwen Joy, Justine Gira and John Spivey.

■ **Art Auction** 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. More than 40 garbage can lids were given to local artists to decorate as they please.

■ **Kids Fair** 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mural and face painting, sock puppets, kites and hats. Games include ring toss, the treasure chest game, board games. Prizes for all children.

■ **Fashion shows** noon. Detroit clothier Spiral Clothing displays hemp and organic cotton wearables on the Forest Stage. The Urban Electronica show will flaunt the styles of Liquid Silver.

### Music Schedule

Some of Detroit's best will play on Dally's four stages from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. The Forest Stage features Afro-Cuban funk, blues, world jazz, reggae, gospel and more. The Alley Stage has a rock n' roll flavor with hints of indie, punk and garage. The Garden Stage features mostly acoustic with soft rock, country, jazz and blues.

■ **Forest Stage** - 11:30 a.m. Pathe Jassi, 1 p.m. Ara Topouzian ensemble with Amara's Middle Eastern Dance Tribe, 2:30 p.m. West Side Quartet, 4 p.m. Czards, 5:30 p.m. Brazil and Beyond, 7 p.m. Layabouts, 8 p.m. Brett Lucas Band, 10 p.m. Black Bottom Collective.

■ **Alley Stage** - noon. The Riots, 1 p.m. The Ruiners, 2 p.m. Ultimate Lovers, 3:15 p.m. The Nice Device, 4:30 p.m. The Elevations, 5:15 p.m. The Thing Escapes starring DJs Danton Immediately and Eugene Machine, 5:45 p.m. Thunderbirds are Now!, 6:30 p.m. The Thing Escapes starring DJs Danton Immediately and Eugene Machine, 8:15 p.m. PAS/CAL, 9:15 p.m. Jawbone, 9:45 p.m. The Paybacks.

■ **Garden Stage** - 11 a.m. Gretchen Wolf, 11:30 a.m. Randy Changler, noon. Don't Look Now Jug Band, 12:45 p.m. Ernie Douglas, 1:15 p.m. Beta Rays, 2 p.m. Bloom, 2:45 p.m. Third Street Jazz Band, 3:30 p.m. Soul Rhythm, 4:30 p.m. Witch Doctors, 5:30 p.m. In Door Park, 6:30 p.m. Cass Avenue Ramblers, 7:30 p.m. Maruga, 8:30 p.m. Twilight Babies, 9:30 p.m. High Flyin' Bird.

■ **Urban Electronica Stage** - 11 a.m. Lumar & DJ Shortround, 11:30 a.m. Innerphonic, 1:15 p.m. Matthew Dear, 2 p.m. Miz Corona, 2:45 p.m. DJ Mink, 3:30 p.m. Twonz & Traxx.



# 'The Medallion' delivers what Jackie Chan fans expect

**THE MEDALLION**  
\*\* (out of four)

**T**he *Medallion* may be a bad movie, but it delivers the general sameness that Jackie Chan fans want. Therefore, fair warning: Jackie Chan fans stop reading now.

As with most Chan films, the flimsy, spotty story of *The Medallion* feels as if somebody is making it up as they go along (which apparently isn't the case — six different writers are credited with the screenplay). Inspector Eddie Yang (Chan) joins up with two Interpol police, Nicole

(Claire Forlan) and Watson (Lee Evans), to catch the evil Snakehead (Julian Sands).



**Extra Butter**

Daniel Kraus

Yang and crew must stop Snakehead from finding 'The Chosen One' — a young child born every 1,000 years capable of binding both halves of a sacred medallion. Once joined, the resulting amulet gives the possessor the power to regenerate life.

For example, if you are shot dead, another version of you walks in from the next room while the original version of you disintegrates into a cloud of supernatural vapor.

Few things make sense — for example, if the child is 'The Chosen One,' then why is he never under guard?

And steal him the bad guys do, over and over, all the while shouting "Find him!", "Shoot him!" and "Get the boy!" Meanwhile, Sands walks around in long robes, his lip quivering in demented anticipation.

Chan, for whatever it's worth, seems sleepier than usual. The only genuine fun of *The Medallion* occurs when Yang first returns from the dead to discover that he's impervious to injury. Fascinated, Watson

can't help but stab the freaked-out cop again and again, to Yang's increasing dismay.

Unfortunately, the downside to gaining superhuman strength is that it makes you, well, less human.

Chan has always been the working man's movie hero. He's not good-looking and is often unintelligible, but he still does most of his own stunts. When he glides up the side of a building like an insect, that's really Chan — he still has the ability to amaze.

But once bestowed with the powers of the Medallion, Chan enters the world of improbable, *Matrix*-style CGI animation. He flies, he floats, he rabbit-kicks somebody in mid-air for five minutes. People go to Chan movies to see his acrobatic physical talent.

My interest — and I'm guessing yours, too — pretty much evaporates when they start hooking up Chan to invisible wires.

Other disappointments in *The Medallion* include record-scratch sound effects whenever something unexpected happens. But if you're a Jackie Chan fan and this sounds acceptable — or even exciting — then ignore everything I just said. I'd hate to ruin your fun.

**Daniel Kraus** is a syndicated columnist and film maker. Info on his latest film *Ball of Wax* can be found at [www.ballofwaxmovie.com](http://www.ballofwaxmovie.com).

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## Small screen

# Watch 'Blade Runner' – then watch it again

BY DAVID MACGREGOR  
CORRESPONDENT

Much was expected of *Blade Runner* when it was released in 1982. Starring Harrison Ford, directed by Ridley Scott, and based on the work of acclaimed sci-fi writer Philip K. Dick, it seemed like the kind of film that couldn't miss.

And yet, miss it did, pulling in a paltry \$14 million at the box office (production costs had been nearly \$30 million). However, the past two decades have been extremely kind to the film. Books have been written about it, a Director's Cut was released in 1992, and it has become easily one of the most influential films made in the past 25 years.

The dark, trashed-out urban landscapes seen in the various *Batman* and *Terminator* films are straight out of *Blade Runner*, only they are not done nearly as well.

In large part, *Blade Runner's* popularity can be attributed to the miracle of videotape, laser discs and DVDs, because this is a film that reveals new facets at every viewing. Ridley Scott once remarked that a film should be like a thousand layer cake, and *Blade Runner* epitomizes this ideal.

### HEROES AND ANTIHEROES

Taking place in a futuristic Los Angeles, the story involves a group of androids who were created to serve as slave labor in distant galactic colonies but this particular group has returned to Earth to seek out their corporate maker and to extend their lifespans. It is the job of Rick Deckard (Harrison Ford) as the eponymous 'blade runner' to retire these androids by any means necessary.

While he begins his mission with little doubt that these androids are dangerous creations that need to be eliminated as quickly as possible, he gradually comes to realize that the androids are, in fact, not all that different from him.

Indeed, as the film draws to its conclusion, it's difficult to say whether Deckard or Roy Batty (the lead android played by Rutger Hauer) is the real hero of the movie.

**What makes this a film worth watching is not only its thought-provoking story line, but its stunning cinematography and a lyrical, elegiac soundtrack provided by Vangelis. It's one of those rare films in which each separate component comes together to merge seamlessly into a luminescent whole.**

This ambiguity troubled many preview audience members who found the story confusing, and for the original theatrical release producers tacked on a voice-over and a happy ending (with footage borrowed from Stanley Kubrick's *The Shining*) in a last ditch effort to help clarify the story.

The subsequent Director's Cut returned the film to its original form, eliminating the voice-over and new ending, and also inserting a dream sequence that hints at an entirely new layer of this particular cake.

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As noted, some preview audience members didn't care for this film that combines the best of sci-fi and film noir, but as one viewer wrote on his preview card, "I am glad I lived to see this movie." So, watch it once to get the story. And then watch it again to appreciate the beautiful way in which the story is told.

David MacGregor is a film instructor at Wayne State University and screenwriter who lives in Livonia.



Harrison Ford portrays Rick Deckard in 'Blade Runner', a 1982 release based on the work of sci-fi writer Philip K. Dick.

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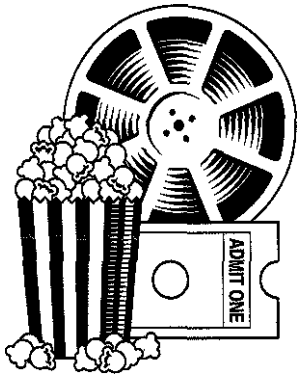
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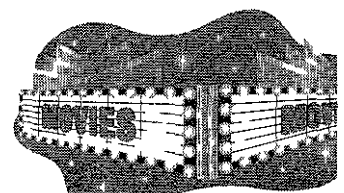
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## Small screen

# 'My Boss's Daughter' good for a few laughs

### MY BOSS'S DAUGHTER

\*\* (out of four)

In a movie that will do nothing to advance his career, in which he's asked to do little but transfer his goofy, good-natured persona from *That 70s Show* onto the big screen, Ashton Kutcher gives it his all and scores a few big laughs and plenty of chuckles.

Given that he's supposed to be playing straight man to a zany supporting cast with solid credentials in *My Boss's Daughter*, it's impressive to see him shoulder the burden of making the thing work.

This modest little movie - which wasn't screened for critics before opening day - is almost enough to make you forget about Kutcher the celebrity, who's so famously dating Demi Moore.

Instead, *My Boss's Daughter* presents Kutcher as the affable, too-pretty comic actor with a few solid, sitcom-honed skills. He falls down and breaks furniture, he gets caught with his pants down, and he provides about a dozen variations on the incredulous reaction shot - all funny.

Kutcher is Tom Stansfield, a frustrated employee of a huge publishing company lorded over by the imperious Jack Taylor (Terrence Stamp).

He's smitten by Jack's seemingly unapproachable daughter, Lisa (Tara Reid), and he's thrilled when she seems to be asking him out - but really she just wants him to house sit so she can go to a party.

Oh, and both Jack and Lisa think Tom is gay.

Let the hilarity begin - sort of.

Jack is more than a bit

uptight about his house, and he has an owl named O J that requires regimented feeding and medical care.

Of course, as soon as Tom is left alone there, people start showing up and wrecking things, including Lisa's drug-dealing brother (Andy Richter) and a goon (Michael Madsen) he's doing business with, Jack's unstable former secretary (Molly Shannon), to whose firing Tom unintentionally contributed, and, for no discernible reason, Carmen Electra.

Director David Zucker was part of the team that made two of the funniest movies of the 1980s, *Airplane!* and *The Naked Gun*, so you'd think he'd have things under control - or, better yet, let them descend into gleeful madness.

But his good-humored style doesn't jive with the barely-there script by Dave Dorfman (*Anger Management*), who seems influenced by the crueler comedy of the Farrelly brothers.

Jokes about race and the disabled fall flat, in part because they're poorly executed, in part because they seem out of place in what wants to be a madcap romp.

The spectacularly unfunny supporting cast - including Dave Foley, Jeffrey Tambor and David Koechner - doesn't help either. But luckily Kutcher is there to try to clean up the mess.

*My Boss's Daughter*, a Dimension Films release, is rated PG-13 for crude and sex-related humor, drug content and language. Running time: 85 minutes.

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

Here's a preview of new films, and tentative opening dates.

**Friday, Aug 29**

***Jeepers Creepers 2*** - The sequel to the 2001 film centers on a group of basketball players, coaches and cheerleaders who find themselves attacked by a winged, people-eating monster on their way home from the state championship.

Featured players include Jonathon Breck, Ray Wise, Nicki Lynn Aycox, and Mariah Delfino. Directed by Victor Salva. (MGM/UA) Rated R.

**Wednesday, Sept 3**

***Thirteen*** - Winner of the directing prize at the 2003 Sundance Film Festival, *Thirteen* tells of the sometimes harsh world of preteen L.A. girls who grow up much too quickly.

The story centers on 13-year-old Tracey (Evan Rachel Wood), who falls under the influence of popular bad girl Evie (Nikki Reed).

Tracey's quiet life begins to spin out of control, as she is radically transformed under Evie's Svengali-like spell. Featured players include Holly Hunter, Jeremy Sisto, and Deborah Unger.

Co-written by director Catherine Harwicke and 14-year-old Nikki Reed. (Fox Searchlight) Rated R.

**Friday, Sept 5**

***The Order*** - For centuries, a secret order has existed within the church. Following a series of unexplained murders, a renegade priest (Heath Ledger) begins an investigation that hurls him into a maelstrom of unimaginable evil and, ultimately, murder - and the knowledge that there is a fate worse than death.

Directed by Academy Award winner Brian Koppelman. Starring Shannyn Sossamon, Mark Addy, Benno Furmann, and Peter Weller. (Twentieth Century Fox) Rated R.

**Friday, Sept 12**

***Once Upon a Time in Mexico*** - Antonio Banderas stars in the third of a trilogy, which started with *El Mariachi* and *Desperado*.

The story centers on a drug lord (who's planning to assassinate the Mexican president and assume power) and the men who try to stop him. Other featured players include Mickey Rourke, Willem Dafoe, Salma Hayek, Johnny Depp and Cheech Marin. Directed by Robert Rodriguez. (Columbia) Rated R.

***Cold Creek Manor*** - An urban couple (Dennis Quaid, Sharon Stone) and their family move to a recently repossessed mansion in the country, but their idyllic family life is threatened when the original owner (Stephen Dorff), recently released from jail, will do anything to take it back. Directed by Mike Figgis. (Touchstone Pictures) Rated R.

**Friday, Sept 19**

***Anything Else*** - This is the story of an aging struggling artist (Woody Allen) who takes a younger artist (Jason Biggs) under his wing. That includes helping him sort out his messy romantic life. Also starring Christina Ricci, Danny Devito, Stockard Channing and Jimmy Fallon. Directed by Woody Allen. (DreamWorks SKG) Rated R.

***Lost in Translation*** - Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson star as two Americans in Tokyo who go on a



'American Splendor' chronicles the life of noted comic book writer Harvey Pekar, who is played by Paul Giamatti. The film, which opens Friday at the Main Art Theatre in Royal Oak, incorporates original film, footage and animation.

soul-searching journey together. Also starring Giovanni Ribisi and Anna Faris. Directed by Sofia Coppola. (Focus Features) Rated R.

***Secondhand Lions*** - Set in 1960s Texas, this is the story of a timid teenager, Walter (Haley Joel Osment), forced to spend the summer with his eccentric (and recently rich) great-uncles (Michael Caine and Robert Duvall) on their farm. Once there, he learns about their mysterious and dangerous pasts. Directed by Tim McCanlies. (New Line) Rated PG.

***Underworld*** - Described as 'Romeo and Juliet' among vampire and werewolf clans, this action/horror story stars Kate Beckinsale as a vampire warrior who falls in love with a werewolf (Scott Speedman). Directed by Len Wiseman. (Screen Gems) Rated R.

**Friday, Sept 26**

***The Clearing*** - A wealthy couple (Robert Redford, Helen Mirren) has their perfect existence shattered when the husband is kidnapped and held for ransom by a disgruntled employee (Willem Dafoe). (Fox Searchlight) Not yet rated.

***Under the Tuscan Sun*** - Diane Lane stars in this adaptation of the memoir by Frances Mayes, which details the author's decision to buy and restore a villa in Tuscany. Also starring Sandra Cho and Raoul Bova. (Touchstone Pictures) Rated PG-13.



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Your Guide to Entertainment

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## YOUTH THEATER

### Marquis Theatre

*Goldilocks and the Three Bears* 2:30 p.m. Saturday Sunday Sept 6 7 13 14 \$750 135 E Main St Northville not recommended for children under 3 (248) 349 8110

## THEATER

### Clarkston Village Players

*Grace and Glorie* by Tom Ziegler 7:30 p.m. Thursday 2 p.m. Sunday 8 p.m. Friday Saturday Sept 4 14 Clarkston Village Players Depot Theatre \$10 Thursday & Sunday \$12 Fr day Saturday (248) 625 8811 www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org

## THEATER AUDITIONS

### Schoolcraft College

Fall production of *Dracula* based on Bram Stoker's novel 7 p.m. Tuesday Wednesday Sept 2 3 Liberal Arts Building Theatre 18600 Haggerty Road Livonia

between Six and Seven Mile roads just east of I 275 Scripts are available in Bradner Library and actors are encouraged to read the script before their audition Auditions are open to all students and community members The play will be presented Oct 24 25 and Nov 7 and 15 in a dinner theater setting and Nov 8 and 14 as a theater performance only (734) 462 4400 Ext 4596

### Village Players

Stage Door comedy 7 p.m. register 7:30 p.m. audition Monday Tuesday Sept 29 30 21 women 7 men (some roles doubled) 34660 Woodward Ave Birmingham Performances weekends Nov 14 23 (248) 244 2666

### Marquis Theatre

*Halloween Patch* 6 p.m. Sunday Sept 7

children 8 16 must sing *Do Re Mi* from *Sound of Music* read poem no longer than 90 seconds 135 E Main St downtown Northville (248) 349 8110

## CHORAL

### Plymouth Community Chorus

Open auditions at 7 p.m. Tuesday Sept 2 Hillside Middle School 8 Mile Road at Center Street Northville by appointment only on Sept 9 16 and 23 Call (734) 455 4080

### The Livonia Youth Choir

Civic children's auditions for girls and boys (boys must have unchanged voices) in grades 3 8 (ages 8 13) 6:30 8 p.m.

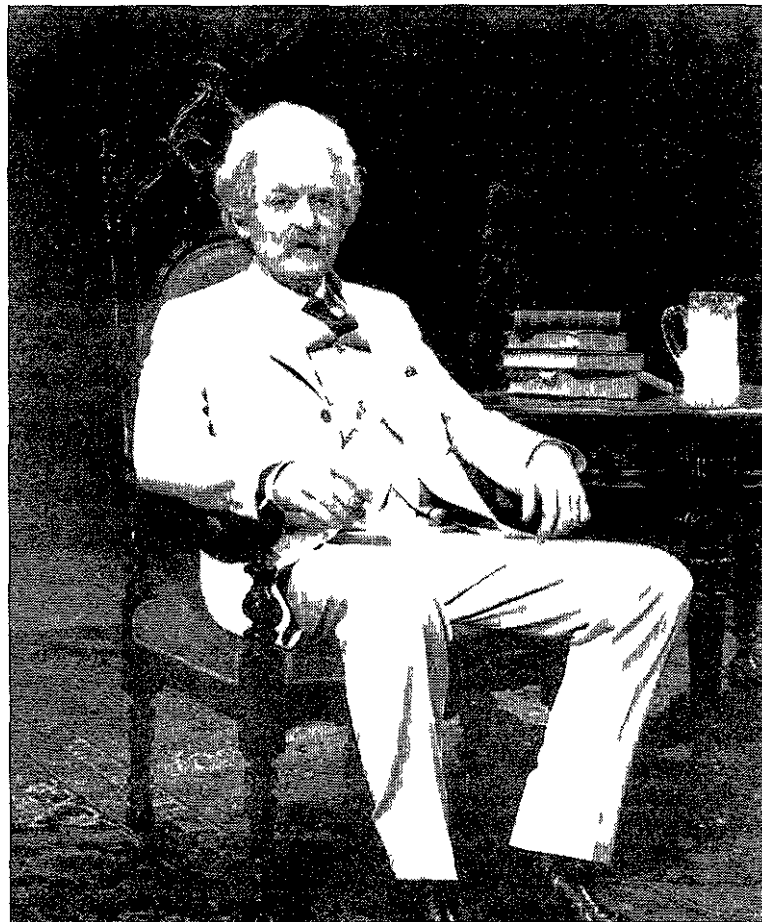
Wednesday Sept 3 Faith Lutheran Church 30000 Five Mile Road (west of Middlebelt) Livonia (734) 425 1749

### Ars Nova

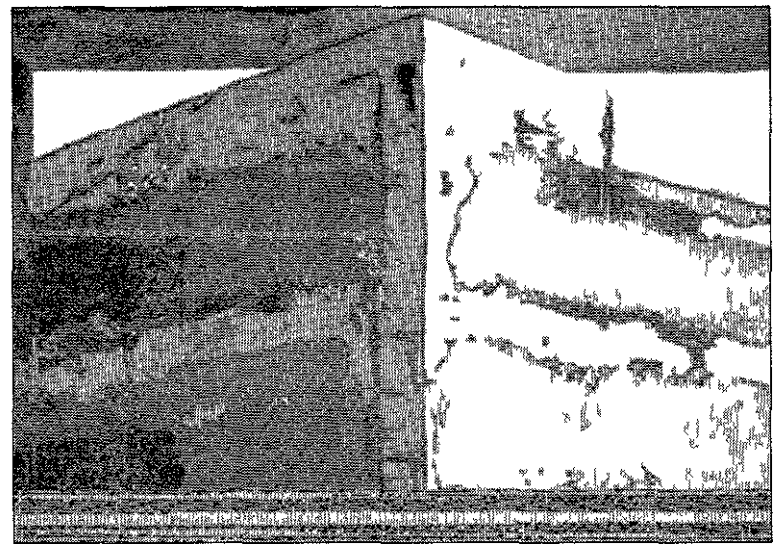
Auditions for singers for the 2003 2004 concert year Three concerts will be presented this year including a performance with the Macomb Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Oak Children's Choir and a cabaret concert in the spring Rehearse 7 9 p.m. Sunday at First United Methodist Church in Royal Oak Call (248) 414 7242 or www.arsnova.org

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Actor Hal Holbrook will bring his 'Mark Twain Tonight' show to Dearborn's Ford Community & Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept 20 Tickets cost \$43, \$39 and \$33 Call the center at (313) 943-2354 Proceeds will help support a Westland based community foundation called SPARK (Sports, Parks and Recreation for Kids)



Steven Blake Miller exhibits a new body of work in a show titled *Building Perspectives* Monday through Sept 30 at the Biddle Gallery, 2840 Biddle Ave in Wyandotte Meet the artist during Wyandotte's 3rd Friday 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept 19 For more information visit [www.biddlegallery.com](http://www.biddlegallery.com) or call (734) 281-4779

0118 to schedule an appointment Rehearsals begin Sept 8

## DANCE

### Michigan Classic Ballet Company

Auditions for company positions and the Nutcracker Ballet 12 p.m. Sunday Sept 7 dancers 7 10 2 15 3 30 p.m. dancers 11 and older 6 30 7 30 p.m. Thursday Sept 11 dancers 11 and older There will be a \$15 fee bring pointe shoes arrive 30 minutes prior to audition to register Scholarship Auditions 7 p.m. Monday Sept 22 No previous dance experience is necessary and the winner(s) will get a chance to perform on stage in The Nutcracker Ballet Dec 13 14 at Mercy Auditorium in Farmington Hills Dancers must be 12 years and older two letters of recommendation are required must bring their last report card The Geiger Classic Ballet Academy is in Bloomfield Hills at 782 Denison Court (248) 334 1300 or [www.geigerballet.com](http://www.geigerballet.com)

### Eisenhower Dance Ensemble

New dance program at the Jewish Community Center 6600 W Maple West Bloomfield starts in September classes in jazz tap ballet modern and ballroom for students of all ages preschool classes on Thursday afternoons (248) 852 5850

### Polish

Polish Roman Catholic Union of America Wieliczka Dancers registration through October children 4 16 dancing 6 30 p.m. Thursday Sept 4 Sgt Romanovski VFW 28945 Joy Road Livonia (734) 591 2079

### Moon-Dusters

Ballroom dancing to live bands featuring swing fox trot waltz cha cha and Latin 8 30 11 30 p.m. Saturday Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road at Five Mile Road \$5 (248) 968 5197

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Arts, Beats & Eats

Festival featuring art music food and more Friday Aug 29 through Monday Sept 1 4 11 p.m. Friday 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Saturday Sunday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday downtown Pontiac near Woodward and Saginaw streets [www.artsbeatseats.com](http://www.artsbeatseats.com)

### Michigan State Fair

Through Monday Sept 1 Hours are from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday Monday and 2 10 p.m. Tuesday Thursday Woodward Avenue at Eight Mile Road Detroit adults \$9 children age 2 11 \$2 children younger than 2 are free (313) 369 8250 or visit [www.michiganstatefair.com](http://www.michiganstatefair.com) Fairgrounds parking is \$5 David Lee Roth performs 7 p.m. Sunday Aug 31 *The Temptations Review* 7 p.m. Monday Sept 1

### Historic Fort Wayne

Closes for the season on Sunday Aug 31 The Fort's open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Sunday *Celebrate Americana* by wearing patriotic colors and enjoying special children's activities Picnic lunches and coolers are permitted on the Fort grounds which offer a nice view of the Detroit River the Ambassador Bridge and Canada 6325 W Jefferson Ave (at the foot of Livernois) Detroit (313) 833 1805 [www.detroithistorical.org](http://www.detroithistorical.org)

### Art & Apples Festival

Benefit for Paint Creek Center for the Arts Friday Sunday Sept 5 7 Rochester Municipal Park west of Rochester Road north of University More than 340 artists entertainment food children's activities and more 4 7 30 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. to 7 30 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday Suggested donation of \$5 per person Parking shuttle service is available for \$3/roundtrip at Rochester High School southwest corner of Livernois and University [www.artandapplesfestival.com](http://www.artandapplesfestival.com)

### Over the Rainbow

Colors of Music presented by the Farmington Musicale 1 p.m. Wednesday Sept 3 Hammell's Music 15630 Middlebelt between Five and Six Mile roads Livonia Classical opera popular and jazz selections by pianist Chris Rakoczy soprano Connie Randall pianist Elaine Vermiglio and mezzo



soprano Suan Nuckolls accompanied by pianist Jim Nuckolls Light refreshments \$3

#### Planet Ant

10 year anniversary party 8 p.m.  
Saturday Aug 30 Garage soundtrack CD release  
Park tour documentary DVD release 8 p.m.  
Sunday Aug 31 Garage DVD release  
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Hastings Street Ballroom 715 E. Milwaukee Detroit (313) 365 4948 www.planetant.com

### MUSIC FESTIVALS

#### Meadow Brook Music Festival

Rob Becker's *Defending the Caveman* 8 p.m.  
Wednesday Sunday Sept 10 14 (248) 377 0100 (248) 645 6666

#### DTE

Bryan Adams 7:30 p.m. Thursday Aug 28  
Travis Tritt with Montgomery Gentry 7:30 p.m.  
Friday Aug 29 Peter Frampton 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday Aug 30 Poison with Vince Neil and Skid Row 7 p.m.  
Sunday Aug 31 Dennis Miller 7 p.m.  
Monday Sept 1 Foreigner with Lou Gramm 7:30 p.m.  
Friday Sept 5 (248) 377 0100 (248) 645 6666

#### Freedom Hill

Beach Boys 7:30 p.m. Friday Aug 29  
Lone Star 7:30 p.m. Saturday Aug 30  
Aretha Franklin 7:30 p.m. Saturday Sept 6 (248) 645 6666 or www.freedomhill.net

#### Ford Field

Downtown Northville off Hutton St five teenage bands second Skruff Concert 5 10 p.m.  
Saturday Sept 6 \$5 rain date Sept 7 (248) 349 0203 Ext 1411 www.skruffmusic.url4life.com

### GALLERY RECEPTIONS

#### Birmingham-Bloomfield Art Center

Dr Sheldon D. Stern will be the featured artist of the month Tuesday Sept 2 through Sept 30 His work is currently represented at Quarters Gallery in Harbor Springs and the Crooked Tree Arts Council Gallery in Petoskey Reception to meet the artist 5 7 p.m.  
Thursday Sept 4 1516 S Cranbrook Birmingham (248) 644 8060

#### Washington Street Gallery

Alvey Jones *The Mystery of Flight* mixed media paintings assemblage Tuesday Sept 2 to Sunday Sept 28 opening reception 7 10 p.m.  
Friday Sept 5 120 E. Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 761 2287

### NIGHT SPOTS

#### Magic Bag

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Saturday Aug 30 \$7 22920 Woodward Ave Ferndale (248) 544 3030 www.themagicbag.com

#### Blue Martini

Soulstice Thursday Aug 28 Simon Vitale Friday Aug 29 Stacia Saturday Aug 30 Blackman & Arnold Sunday Aug 31 8 p.m. to midnight 201 Hamilton at Old Woodward Avenue Birmingham (248) 258 3005



**Comedian Norm Stulz, who has appeared on HBO Comedy Central, Nightshift, and Evening At The Improv, will be performing his one man show "Life it's all about Laughter" at the Farmington Players Barn 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday Sept 5-6. Tickets \$16, seniors, \$13, call (248) 553 2955. Farmington Players is at 32332 W 12 Mile Road in Farmington Hills between Orchard Lake and Farmington roads on the north side of 12 mile Road**

#### Edison's

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### JAZZ/BLUES

#### PJazz

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Thursday Aug 28 Thornetta Davis \$10 reserved seating \$15 (313) 965 2575

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Thursday Aug 28 100 S Main St Royal Oak featuring L J Porter and Kathi McDonald (248) 543 4300

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#### The Winard Harper Sextet

With Joshua Nelson vocals are performing in support of Wayne State University's Jazz students 7 p.m.  
Friday Sept 5 Charles H Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit Admission \$50 (313) 567 8367 or www.music.wayne.edu

#### Alexander Zonjic/Bob James

Orchard Lake Jazz on the Lake 2 p.m.  
(food and wine tasting) 4 p.m. concert  
Sunday Sept 7 Orchard Lake St Mary's Campus \$60 (248) 683 1750  
www.orchardlakeschools.com

### FREE SUMMER CONCERTS

#### Downtown Plymouth

The Ride Aug 29 Pamela Ransford & The Plymouth Guitar Band downtown Plymouth in Kellogg Park

#### Livonia

Michigan Opera Theatre 7 30 p.m.  
Thursday Aug 28 Livonia Community Center Five Mile at Farmington Road (734) 466 2540

#### Birmingham

Elmo Thumm A Capella Quintet 7 p.m.  
Thursday Aug 28 Steve King & the Dittiles 7 p.m.  
Thursday Sept 4 Shain Park downtown Birmingham

### COMEDY

#### Joey's Comedy Club - Livonia

JR Remick 8 p.m.  
Thursday Aug 28 8 p.m. and 10 30 p.m.  
Friday Saturday Aug 29 30 36071 Plymouth Road Livonia \$5 Thursday \$12 Friday Saturday Ty Barnett Sept 3 6 dinner/show package available (734) 261 0555 www.joey.comedyclub.com

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Improv Comedy Jamm Night 8 p.m.  
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Friday Saturday Sept 5 6 314 E Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 996 9080

### FILM

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#### Paradox Cafe

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# O.U.'s theater season opens with two 'Lovers'

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Oakland University's theater season is opening on a different note this year with a one act to raise funds for students

Faculty will join student performers in the show to raise money for the theater department

The performance a single act from the two act play *Lovers* by Brian Friel is slated Saturday Sept 6 and Sunday Sept 7

## LINEUP

■ Great Expectations  
Oct 9 19

■ Starting Here Starting Now  
Nov 6 16

■ Love Letters  
Jan 9 11 2004

■ The Miss Firecracker Contest  
Feb 5 15 2004

■ Into the Woods  
March 18 28 2004

"We've never done this before," said Karen Sheridan, head of the university's theater division and one of the faculty members appearing in *Lovers*. "But we thought, shouldn't we fund raise doing what we do?"

Proceeds partly benefit student participation in the American College Theatre Festival, a national competition held annually

At last year's festival, two university students

Catherine Lutz of Howell and Blair Mellow of Huntington Woods presented a scene from *Lovers* and made it to the final round

"Which is very unusual for a couple of sophomores," said Sheridan.

Appropriately, Lutz and Mellow are featured in the fund-raising production

*Lovers*, two acts are essentially two complementary plays

Each follows a different destiny for a pair of lovers. One act is entitled *Winners*, the other is *Losers*.

"It's a very sweet play," said Sheridan. "It's a comedy but also has a little sadness."

Friel is one of Ireland's most lauded contemporary playwrights. He wrote the original play *Dancing at Lughnasa*, which garnered three Tony Awards and became a movie.

## THE SEASON

The university's regular theater season commences Thursday, Oct 9, with a production of Charles Dickens' *Great Expectations*.



JEAN PARKER

Catherine Lutz of Howell and Blair Mellow of Huntington Woods perform in Brian Friel's *Lovers* to raise funds for Oakland University's theater department

The musical theater revue *Starting Here, Starting Now*, a story about young love, modern relationships and growing up, begins Nov 6.

Faculty and professional actors then present *Love Letters* by A. R. Gurney Jan 9-11.

The play, which is part of the university's Professional Artist Series, follows the lifelong correspondence between a staid lawyer and a lively artist.

*The Miss Firecracker Contest*, a comedy about a young woman who decides to enter a beauty contest, runs Feb 5-15 and is followed by the Stephen Sondheim musical, *Into the Woods*, starting March 18.

## TAKING THE STAGE

**What:** Oakland University opens its theater season with a fund-raising event featuring a selection from the play *Lovers* by Irish playwright Brian Friel.

**When:** 8 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, Sept. 6-7.

**Where:** Varner Studio Theatre, Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills.

**Admission:** Donations appreciated for future shows or information, call the Varner Hall Box Office at (248) 370-3013 or visit [www.oakland.edu/mtd](http://www.oakland.edu/mtd).

"We try to create variety with our program so our audience has reason to come back and not just see one show," Sheridan said, adding university productions have a

growing non-academic audience.

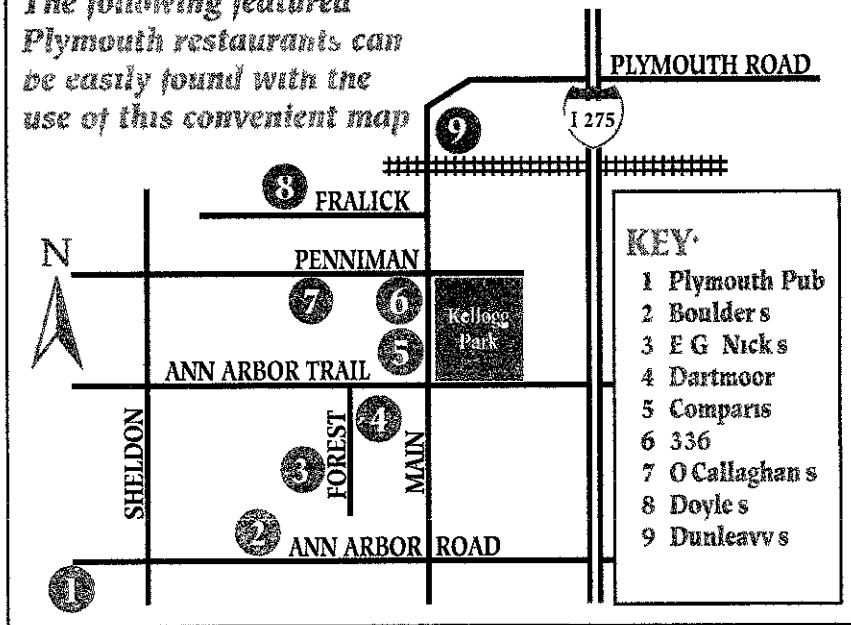
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## Cover story

# Three voices rising

### Headlining divas seek crossover audience for Detroit Jazz Fest

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

Their voices soar and take us places we can only feel

That's why we call them divas

Three of these goddesses of song - Natahe Cole, Roberta Flack and Chaka Khan - are coming to Detroit to perform at the 2003 Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival

Slated to run from Saturday through Monday at Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit, the annual event draws about a 500,000 people

This year's headlining performers - all of whom enjoy mainstream notoriety - mark a new direction for the event

'Jazz is facing some stiff challenges in terms of audience. We're reaching a niche audience, but we need to reach a broader based one,' said the festival's producer and director Frank Malfitano, who views jazz entertainment and jazz education as one in the same

So I deliberately selected three artists who are high-profile, crossover and radio-friendly, but also very conversant in the jazz idiom'

Natahe Cole is the daughter of the late Nat King Cole and sings pop, R & B and jazz. While many consider Roberta Flack an R & B artist, her work spills over into pop, soul and jazz. Chaka Khan began her career in the early 70s as the lead singer of Rufus, but has worked in virtually every musical genre, from disco to jazz to classical.

Malfitano hopes those who come only to see a headline act, stick around and tune into jazz.

There are three divas, but there's a whole lot more, he joked.

To be exact, 74 scheduled performances, 71 of which are pure jazz.

Performers include stars Branford Marsalis, Regina Carter, Pete Fountain and Joey DeFrancesco. Local artists and lesser-known jazz musicians from out-of-state round out the program.

In some cases, these acts may astound even seasoned jazz aficionados, said Malfitano.



Chaka Khan headlines the 2003 Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival

### GET THE VIBE

**What:** 2003 Ford Detroit International Jazz Festival

**When:** Noon to 11 p.m. Saturday-Sunday noon to 10 p.m. Monday

**Where:** Hart Plaza Jefferson at Woodward Avenue Detroit

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[www.detroitjazzfest.com](http://www.detroitjazzfest.com)

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### HEADLINE PERFORMANCES

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■ Roberta Flack 9:30 p.m. Sunday

■ Natalie Cole 8 p.m. Monday

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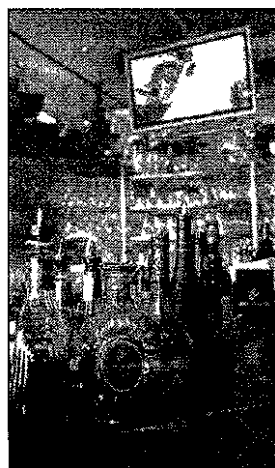
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## Table hopping

# Birmingham's Midtown

BY ELEANOR HEALD  
 CORRESPONDENT

Since the success rate of new restaurants is somewhere in the range of 10 to 20 per cent Midtown Cafe in Birmingham, which



The new improved bar has a large, flat screen TV, but it's still stocked with the best spirits

boasts more than a quarter century of operation, must be doing something right

Taking care to retain Midtown Cafe as a popular and exciting downtown eating out destination, owner Bruce Cameron recently gave Midtown a major \$250,000 facelift and Chef Edward Kim Houghton some state-of-the-art kitchen toys

A daily menu is among the elements

Cameron cites as reasons for Midtown Cafe's long and successful run. To it he added an upscale-yet-casual atmosphere, patio seating for 50 in warm months

and his own on-premise supervision

"Over the last 25 years, I've owned 12 restaurants in Oakland County," Cameron said.

"This is the only location that I've kept because I believe Birmingham is the only true downtown community in the metro area. It compares well to La Jolla, Calif., for example. I like being a restaurant owner because I enjoy the people part of the business."

**NEW COSMO FEEL**

Aleksis Lahti of Ann Arbor, who designed Midtown Cafe originally, was involved in the recent re-creation of a more modern, sleek and minimalist appearance with a cosmopolitan feel.

The new look stresses light and air with stainless steel, beechwood and Lahti's eclectic, energetic artwork.

Reached by way of an open staircase,

### NEW COSMO FEEL

The Midtown Cafe sits in the heart of downtown Birmingham

enclosed with glass panels and an artistically curved steel pole design, the open, second-floor dining area sports colorful backlit wall art.

Splashes of color in this now updated 150-seat eatery add just the right touch of eye candy without detracting from the main attraction—the food of Chef Ed.



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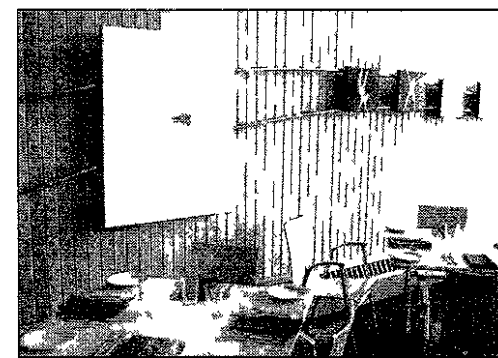
Jim Voorheis, general manager, with honey-glazed salmon and asparagus dish prepared by chef Edward Kim-Houghton.

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### CHEF'S STYLE

A Boston native and Auburn Hills resident, Chef Ed has worked for 15 years in the restaurant industry, three of them at Midtown Cafe. "I view my work as a creative



New art adorns the walls of the redecorated Midtown Cafe in Birmingham.



# Cafe goes cosmopolitan



Delicious honey-glazed salmon with asparagus served up by Midtown Chef Edward Kim Houghton on new masculine white marble tables completes the new look at the Midtown in Birmingham

outlet," he said "The daily dated menu allows me to order what's freshest from our purveyors and build dishes around these"

Although the menu changes daily, some items, such as Oysters Rockefeller with spinach Sambuka sauce, parmesan cheese and hollandaise are standard

Among other core starters are PEI Mussels Provençal with red pepper flakes, tomatoes, white wine, butter, marinara and crostinis and portobello mushrooms with hard salami, spinach, mozzarella and crostinis

Toppings for the popular thin crust pizzas change regularly but if you've had a particular one and it's not on the list, ask the server and it most likely can be made for you

The Just for Tonight section of the menu includes a fresh catch item But, I really like my cashew and parmesan crusted whitefish that's on the menu every day Chef Ed commented "It's a bland fish but the crust takes it to another level"

Meat lovers can choose the 10-ounce filet of Certified Angus beef tenderloin, and if you're in a casual mood at dinner, the 8 ounce Certified Angus beef burger with lettuce tomato, bacon, swiss and cheddar cheese goes down easy

## BAR SCENE AND WINES

A horseshoe-shaped full bar with 18 stools energizes the first floor eating area Wine selections are conveniently listed on the back of the daily-dated menu Nice because every person at the table can view

the list and comment A dozen whites and reds, ranging \$6 to \$9.50, are offered by the glass The brand-recognizable selections by the bottle push upwards from \$24

As it has been for 25 years, Midtown Cafe continues as a comfortable place to hang out Only now, it has cosmopolitan pizzazz, not over the top but hitting the all important comfort target right on

Eleanor Heald writes about restaurants food wine and spirits for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers To leave her a voice mail message dial (734) 953 2047 ma lbox 1864#

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# Drinkology

## Snap-frost grapes to vodka

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD  
CORRESPONDENTS

Villagers in wine-growing regions of Europe have, for centuries, distilled grape wine to produce fine spirits

Today, the tradition continues in a small hillside vineyard, outside the medieval village walls of Cordes-sur-Ciel in the Gallie region of southwest France. There, the grape varieties mauzac blanc, len de l'el and the popular sauvignon blanc are carefully selected for the production of Ciroc Vodka \$30, which rolled out in Michigan earlier this month.

In autumn, grapes are left on the vine for an extended period of ripening. When they are hit by frost in November, a berry-by-berry hand harvest of 'snap frost' grapes is picked, pressed and cold-fermented. Then five pot-still distillations create the delicate characters of Ciroc Vodka, a non-traditional and pedigreed vodka made from wine grapes.

Citrusy notes in the aroma and a fresh, crisp, smooth and clean finish make Ciroc a luxury vodka, destined for ultimate enjoyment on the rocks or shaken with ice and poured into a chilled martini glass



with a lime or lemon twist for an added touch of class

The Healds write about wine, spirits, food and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them at (734) 953-2047, mail box 1864#

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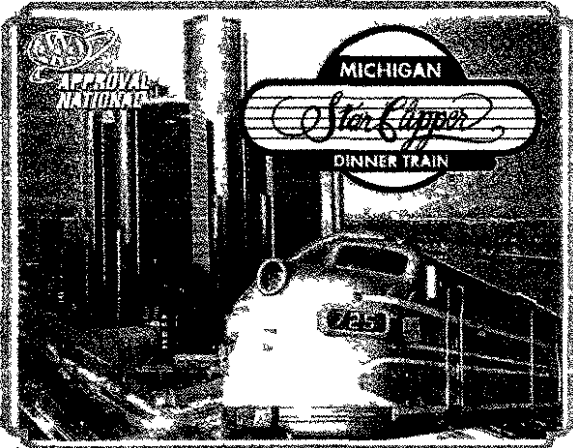
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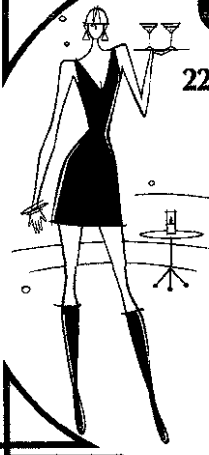
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## Night spots

# Fans are 'Grateful' that 'Dead' lives on

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

What a short, strange trip it's been. The Grateful Dead survived the end of flower power, the rise of disco, the Reagan presidency, 80s synth-pop and early '90s grunge.

Now, it appears that even leader Jerry Garcia's death on Aug. 9, 1995, isn't enough to kill them.

Enter Dark Star Orchestra, a Chicago-based Grateful Dead tribute band. Together just six years, the band's been declared "the hottest Grateful Dead tribute act going" by the Washington Post. It's also one of the most popular tribute acts in the country, playing 170 shows a year.

The band performs Friday at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

Drummer Rob Koritz agrees with the notion that music fans either get the Grateful Dead's music or they don't.

"I think most people who say they don't like it haven't given the music a chance. They just see the hippies and the enthusiastic following and decide that's not what they're into."

"My parents weren't into them, and after they actually heard the music they said, 'I had no idea, there's country, there's blues, there's jazz there.'"

John Kadlecik, a guitarist who sings like Jerry Garcia, and keyboardist Scott Larned formed the band. They did it one week for fun and 40 showed up. The next time 100 showed and the next week they sold out, Koritz said. "They realized they had something going."

Koritz is one of two band members from St. Louis. He played in a Dead tribute band called Schwag before joining Dark Star Orchestra.

### CHANNELING THE DEAD

**What:** Grateful Dead tribute band Dark Star Orchestra performing an authentic show from the Dead's history.

**When:** Doors open 8 p.m. Friday.

**Where:** The Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave. at Nine Mile Road, Ferndale.

**Tickets:** \$20, available in advance at the Magic Bag box office and all Ticketmaster locations. Call (248) 544-3030 or [www.themagicbag.com](http://www.themagicbag.com).

### GOING A STEP FURTHER

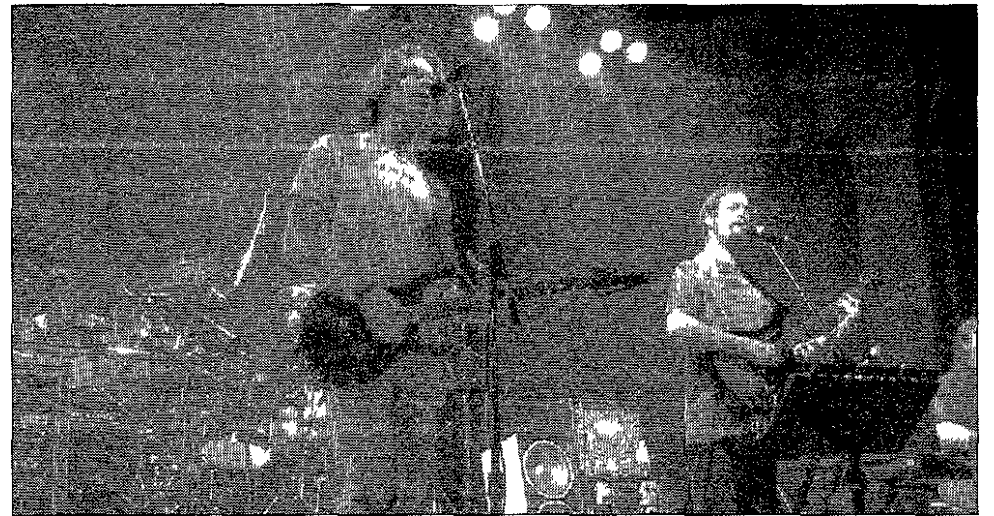
The band doesn't just recreate the Dead's music. They go one step further by recreating the actual set lists from historic Dead shows. Lisa Mackey, who recreates Donna Godchaux's part with the Grateful Dead in the 1970s, sits out simulated shows from the 60s, '80s and '90s.

The stage configuration also changes, depending on the era of the set to be performed. Dark Star has two drummers but sometimes uses just one, to recreate Dead shows when the band was down to one drummer.

Is this format confining for a creative musician?

"The beauty is that because the Grateful Dead's music is totally open to creative expression, we get to go out there and create, although we have to work within a vocabulary," Koritz said.

The band was thrilled when Grateful Dead members Bob Weir and Bill



Dark Star Orchestra is one of the most popular tribute acts in the country.

Kreutzmann actually performed with Dark Star Orchestra. After the show, Weir told Rolling Stone, "A couple of times when I had my back to John (Kadlecik) and he started to sing, I had this weird sense that it was Jerry. This is a great band, and I had a great time."

"It was surreal," Koritz recalled. "I was looking in front of me and seeing Bob Weir's body moving as he's playing and my bass drum is pounding him in the back."

With Weir, the band performed the Dead standards *Little Red Rooster*, *Tennessee Jed*, and *Let It Grow*.

### ONLINE

Through its Web site, [www.darkstarorchestra.net](http://www.darkstarorchestra.net), Dark Star Orchestra has recruited 150 fans around the country to put up fliers and publicize shows when the band comes to their respective hometowns.

A typical fan response after the show is to thank the band. "You hear, 'We were really hesitant to see you, but we're really glad we came to the show,'" Koritz said.

The band hopes to tour Canada and Japan. Between tours, they perform in side projects. "Everyone has gigs on the side, everyone needs to take a break," Koritz said.

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# Dixieland fans go 'marchin' in' to Shield's

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Tom Shipley, 79, of Birmingham, hates rap. But he has something in common with most Eminem fans.

His parents hated the music he and his friends loved when they were young.

Basically it was black music, he said.

The music was jazz. In the 1920s and '30s, the upbeat raucous rhythms and bold horn screechings were likely more jarring to adult Anglo-American ears than hip-hop is today.

As jazz has morphed over the years, the original jazz Shipley loved has become known as Dixieland or traditional jazz.

"I like the rhythm and I like the fact there is a melody there. It's very danceable music, my wife (Rickie) and I danced a lot during our lifetime," the semi-retired engineer said.

That's why he's a regular at twice-monthly Dixieland jazz sessions organized at Shields Restaurant in Southfield by The Windsor-Detroit Jazz Club.

You watch the audience as you play. Their seats start to move, their hands start to move, you see the smiles," said band leader and trombonist Chuck Moss of Rochester.

Up to 70-80 fans show for the 2-5 p.m. first and third monthly Saturday sessions. The tradition started at Lee's Imperial Tavern in Windsor in the '70s, then moved to a succession of Detroit restaurants after Lee sold his building. The sessions landed at Shields in June 2002.

Fans tend to be mature couples. Sometimes they sing along with favorites including *When the Saints Go Marching In*, and *Bill Bailey*. Some bring grandkids and family members to the sessions.

## FUN MUSIC

'Louie Armstrong is the king, he is



Musicians jam Dixieland style at a Windsor-Detroit Jazz Club gathering

responsible for a large part of the style – not to take anything from (Bix) Biederbecke," Moss said. "It's the kind of music I have the most fun with."

"It's the small group improvisational thing. It all depends on who's in the group. You're trying to be aware of the tune and what the other guys are doing. Sometimes you try to inject some humor, blue notes – volume comes into it, different tone productions, like growling. Sometimes I'll pick up a beer glass or coffee cup to use as a mute."

## MUSICIANS

The group is sometimes joined by singer/pianist Kerry Price of Royal Oak,

performing songs by Bessie Smith and others.

Moss has more than 50 musicians to choose from, but he tends to stay with a core group of six on bass, piano, clarinet, drums, trombone and trumpet. The players have ranged in age from 14 to older than 80.

"Sometimes I just have to make five calls. I'm waiting for three to call me back today. Sometimes I have to make 15 calls. I've never had a bad set of six," Moss said. "I'll spend a couple of hours choosing the tunes and getting the music ready so I'll have a copy of the melody and chord changes in case anybody needs them. Basically we're trying to remain faithful to the early jazz style."

"It's happy music, toe-tapping," said Bill Knowles, a retired lumber salesman from Farmington and club director. He has been attending the sessions since their Windsor origins.

"I think the two most important things are the piano and the clarinet. I really can't explain it. It's very vital, the subtleties of a clarinet."

"In Dixieland, the core of the band is the rhythm section. If you don't have a good rhythm section you don't have a good band, that's all there is to it."

"These guys are some of the best musicians I've seen in a local setting," Shipley said.

"When the group happens to be click-

## WINDSOR-DETROIT JAZZ CLUB

### DIXIELAND JAZZ SESSIONS

Where: Shields Restaurant Bar Pizzeria, 25101 Telegraph, on the northeast corner of 10 Mile Road, Southfield

When: 2-5 p.m., first and third Saturday of each month starting Sept. 6

Cost: \$8 cover

Food: Shields offers a full menu, for more information, call (248) 356-2720. The players: Chosen from a pool of 50 musicians including bandleaders Johnny Trudell and Jim Dapogny.

ing, you can tell – they all smile," Moss said. "When that happens, everyone is aware of it and they're savoring that moment."

Knowles praised Shields' owner Judy Valdez and son Jeff Valdez for supporting the series.

"People recognize good stuff when they hear it," Shipley said. "I love it."

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## Popular music

# The guys just wanna have fun

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

Guitarist Paul Corte stopped worrying about getting famous years ago

He played in well-known local bands like Jugglers & Thieves and spent years touring, recording and trying to sell records

He played with big guys like former Rolling Stone Mick Taylor, but as time passed, he grew tired of record deals and marketing talks

Music was all he wanted to make

Two years ago on Halloween, Corte and five friends – like minded musicians from various Detroit bands – created Blues Hammer a blues/rock band with three guitarists

Blues Hammer plays cover tunes at swanky clubs like Birmingham's Blue Martini,

but has the most fun at outdoor shows where they can relax onstage. They're playing Sunday in Northville and Sept. 4 in Livonia.

"I've played the Northville gazebo for years. People here come out to see us, they know the songs and they crave good music," said Corte.

"The whole band has the same passion – first it's for our wives and families and also for the music. We decided we weren't interested in rising above Detroit, we want to be part of Detroit."



The musicians in Blues Hammer have been friends for years and would rather play music instead of worrying about record sales

### BLUES HAMMER SHOWS

■ 8 p.m. Sunday - Northville Gazebo on Main Street downtown Northville

■ 7:30 p.m. Thursday Sept. 4 at Greenmead Historical Park 8 Mile Road at Newburgh, Livonia

More information  
[www.blueshammer.us](http://www.blueshammer.us)

Blues Hammer is known for its triple guitar dynamics with Corte, Tom T-Bone Backus and Matthew Sage

Pete Goodwin plays subtle harmonica riffs, Larry Black lays the foundation on drums and Donnie Hopps drives the bass groove. Sage is also the lead vocalist.

"Members of this band have had the honor of jamming with rock luminaries like Eric Burden of the Animals, Chicago, Buddy Guy, The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Harmonica Shaw and others," Corte said. "And as a band we're now interested in giving people what they want to hear – the best of the best."

Blues Hammer plays songs by Eric Clapton, B.B. King, Johnny Winter, Led Zeppelin, Robin Trower, Van Halen, Stevie Ray Vaughn, ZZ Top, Robert Johnson and Jimi Hendrix.

"If people yell out *Freebird* we might do it," Corte said. "But I'd rather play *Call Me the Breeze*."

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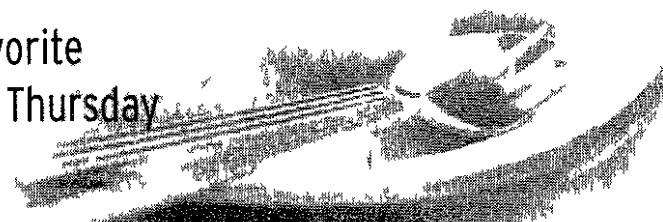


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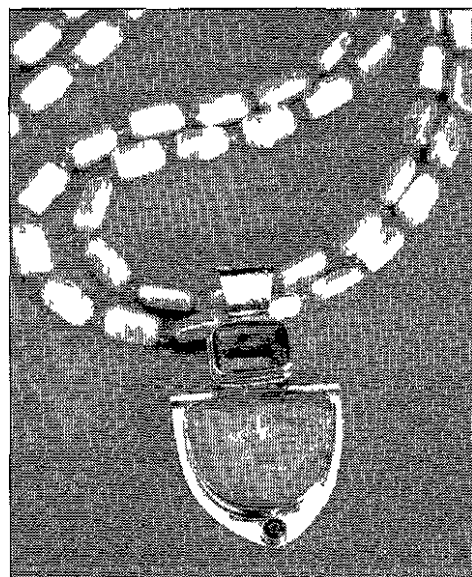
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# Get that small town feeling in Franklin



Look for jewelry designed by Mary Ann Archer at Art on the Green fine art show in Franklin

BY KEELY KALESKI  
STAFF WRITER

Sipping lemonade, watching a parade, rubbing elbows with artists, visiting a cider mill - these are old-fashioned pleasures that you can enjoy on Labor Day in Franklin Village

Lori Seltzer and her husband, Michael, are working with volunteers to present the 59th annual Franklin Labor Day Round Up

Meanwhile, Peggy Kerr and the Franklin Arts Council are getting ready for the 23rd annual Art on the Green held the same day Franklin Cider Mill opens on Saturday

Lori is vice president of the Franklin Community Association, which presents the Labor Day Round-Up. Michael is president of the organization

Everything is bigger than life, this



Mia Pearlman explains how a pottery wheel works at the Art on the Green fine art show in Franklin

brings you back to that small town feel, said Lori

Festivities include a parade at noon with floats, bagpipers, clowns, rescue dogs, classic car show, midway with games of chance, giant slide, Orbitron and other attractions

Eighty artists from Michigan and across the country including Florida, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia are participating in Art on the Green

They'll be exhibiting textiles, mixed-media, clay, wood, precious metals, watercolor, oils, photography and other original work

Art on the Green has developed a reputation as one of the best art fairs in metro Detroit due to our limited, intimate space, said Kerr, president of the Franklin Arts Council, which is presenting the show

It's easy to get around, very people-friendly, and there's something for everyone. The artists selected must be of the highest caliber

This year, The Franklin Arts Council is sponsoring featured works of Wylie E (Birmingham) Groves High School 2003 graduates from the ceramics department. Mia Pearlman, head of the Fine Arts Department for the Birmingham Public Schools, and a Groves High School art teacher, will be demonstrating on the pottery wheel

Local folk musicians Rennie Kaufmann, Blackman and Arnold will be performing, and kids can try their hand at art projects

The art fair is great, the food is good, and the Franklin Cider Mill will be open. It's just a really grand event, said Lori

## FRANKLIN LABOR DAY ROUND-UP

**What:** Art on the Green fine art show featuring more than 75 select artists from across the country exhibiting works and children's activities as part of Franklin's annual Labor Day Round up. Festivities include a parade at noon, classic car show, midway games and entertainment

**When:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday

**Where:** Downtown Franklin Village Green on Franklin Road, south of 14 Mile Road

**Admission:** No charge for information. Call the Franklin Arts Council (248) 594-3093

There will be a petting zoo and pony rides.

Quench your thirst at one of the lemonade stands. Feel like a kid again and buy yourself some cotton candy.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, kielbasa, veggie burgers, water and other beverages will also be offered for sale.

It's kind of a reunion, said Kerr. I see a lot of former classmates from Groves there. It's a lot of fun.

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## Festival

# Hamtramck Festival 2003 is not for the mellow

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

Ask anyone who's ever attended the Hamtramck Festival about its atmosphere and words like crazy, "diverse and festive" will probably come out.

This is the street festival where handmade pierogi plus rock and polka are the trademarks. It's the festival with a big parade on Labor Day.

Expect the interesting at Hamtramck Festival 2003 including a blend of the Polish families who have resided in the city for generations, the musicians who rent the flats and buildings for band practice, and the hipsters and artists who find affordable housing.

At the festival they mix with suburbanites who come for a taste of all.

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9 p.m. The Detroit Cobras  
9 p.m. Bootsey X & The Lovemasters

##### Monday

4 p.m. Gypsy Strings  
5 p.m. Kilebasa Kings  
7 p.m. Immigrant Suns  
7 p.m. Twistin' Tarantulas  
8 p.m. Black Bottom Collective

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Hamtramck has to offer, especially the scores of neighborhood pubs.

"It's the craziest festival in the area," said Mary Restrepo of the R&B rock band the Detroit Cobras.

It's such a weird mix of people, with wild music and driving the narrow streets of Hamtramck is part of the kookiness.

The Detroit Cobras are headlining the event Sunday night at 9 p.m.

The festival shows off Hamtramck's offerings: cultural diversity, clubs, ethnic foods, antique shops, clothing and jewelry stores and hard-to-find import items.

The Twistin' Tarantulas, the popular Detroit rockabilly swing band, is also sure to attract crowds of anyone who wants to dance. The band is playing at 7 p.m. Monday.

"This is a great festival, you get people dancing in the streets—senior citizens and the teenage punks together. They all can appreciate the music we play," said Twistin' Tarantula stand-up bass player Pistol Pete. "We play this festival a lot, it has a great energy."

The festival has been a Labor Day weekend tradition in Hamtramck for more than 20 years.



Polka Boosters entertain the crowd during the Polish Day Parade on Labor Day in Hamtramck.

A carnival with games and rides is offered for families. Music is offered on stages with rock, R&B, jazz, blues, polka, Detroit garage, and of course, polka. There's also a car show that includes many metro Detroit auto clubs and even live wrestling.

Topping it off on Labor Day is the

Polish Day Parade that begins at 1:30 p.m. Citizens and business owners and those who love Hamtramck take joy in crowding the streets for a magnificent, music-filled parade.

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## JAZZ

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Russel Gunn, for instance, combines jazz and hip-hop. In contrast, Ilona Knopler presents her renditions of songs by the Beatles and other non-jazz groups. "She's doing what I call the new standards," said Malfitano. She's bringing a new sound and style to the music and the art form.

The point is, jazz comes in many forms—you don't need to understand the schools and styles to appreciate it.

"I'm trying to lessen the intimidation factor," said Malfitano. "Jazz is not all academic or for a small segment of the audience. It's a lot of different great stuff."

### JAZZ FEST FUN RUN

**Who:** Standard Federal is sponsoring the inaugural Fun Run to kick off the 24th Annual Jazz Fest.

**When:** 8:30 a.m. Saturday

**Where:** Beginning at Hart Plaza and looping through Corktown.

**Info:** Entry forms are available at [www.detroitjazzfest.com](http://www.detroitjazzfest.com) or by calling the Music Hall (the Jazz Fest's nonprofit presenting organization) (313) 963-2366.

## Run kicks off Jazz Fest

Not since the Emily and Pooh Run has Detroit seen such a big summer party race.

Runners will kick off the 24th-annual Jazz Fest with a four-mile race beginning at 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

The event will begin at Hart Plaza and runners will follow the Riverfront Promenade, looping through Corktown, then back for a jazz-filled party at the Jazz Fest's main stage.

Run Director Doug Kurtis has designed the course and teamed up with Music Hall (the Jazz Fest's nonprofit pre-

senting organization) to produce this inaugural event.

Run sponsor Standard Federal is "banking on runners and volunteers to spread the word that this will be an event to remember—and one they'll want to mark on their calendars from year to year."

Jazz Fest 4 Miler entry forms are available at all the local running stores as well as online at [www.detroitjazzfest.com](http://www.detroitjazzfest.com). Click on <Enter Flash Site> to get to the Fun Run registration or call Music Hall (313) 963-2366.



# Tank of gas

# 'Land of delight' is just a five-hour drive away

BY THREEOLBAGS  
CORRESPONDENTS

Hold up your left hand to make Michigan's mitten. Now, extend your little finger just a tiny bit. The first joint on your little finger is where ThreeOlBags recently visited what seemed more like Hawaii than northwestern Michigan. More like Hawaii because of its miles and miles of beaches, turquoise-colored water, art, art and more art, fishing, hang-gliding, sailing, swimming, biking, shopping, and on and on.

About five hours from metro Detroit, we found fun, relaxation and inspiration. So much of it, we couldn't possibly fit it all into the one day we had scheduled, so we planned a return trip.

In particular we wanted to tour a little hideaway business that's a museum, store, nature area and an historical printing factory all in one - Gwen Frostic Prints/Presscraft Papers.

Frostic (1906-2001) founded the shop located on River Road between Frankfort and Benzonia. The business continues to print original block-print note paper, books, pictures, greeting cards and more.

Lots of little girls dream of being able to



The view of Crystal Lake from Trick Dog's Art Gallery & Café in Elberta is awesome.

talk to animals like Cinderella did, but some believe Frostic accomplished that dream. Don't laugh, you might too after you step through the walkway adorned with hanging vines.

Light filters into the shop from out back, where visitors enjoy nature walks. Inside colored glass blocks are placed here and there in the natural stone-walled cavern, catching glints of sunlight.

Antique printing presses, including two Gutenberg presses, still click and clatter out original Frostic prints. Frostic was as dedicated to Michigan's natural plant and wildlife as she was to expressing her passions through simple art renderings.

Another interesting stop was Beedazzled Candleworks in Benzonia, just down River Road from Frostic's. The cottage industry grows, harvests and produces handcrafted beeswax products, like soap, aromatherapy items and of course honey. Tours through their elaborate gardens are also conducted.

A little farther down River Road, then West on 22 a mile or so, we were pleased to find Trick Dog's Art Gallery & Café in Elberta. Here we peered at shelves of imaginative artwork, admiring the unique

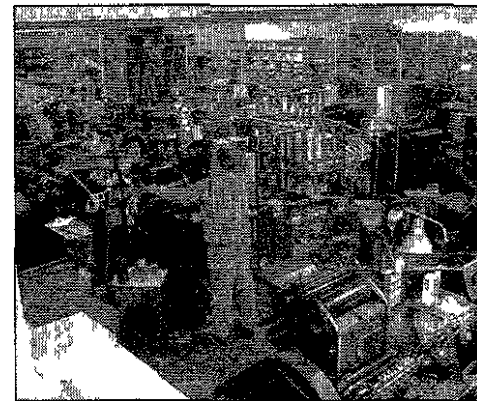
designs. We also enjoyed the grounds, where larger-than-life rustic lawn art made bold artistic statements, and fish-shaped patio blocks locked together to form an inviting area out front.

To top it off Trick Dog's gallery is on a hill overlooking one of the most breathtaking scenes of our trip. Just out front is over 15 square miles of deep turquoise-colored water, making up Crystal Lake.

The city of Elberta got its name from the Elberta peach, which originated there. Another historical tidbit is found at Elberta's harbor, where the *SS City of Milwaukee*, one of the old ships that hosted ferry service to Wisconsin, still sits.

Somewhere on the trip you'll need to eat, and Brookside Inn comes highly recommended. The fine dining restaurant is close by Trick Dog's at 115 N. Michigan in Beulah. Overnight accommodations are also offered here.

Historic Lighthouses dot the shoreline as you drive along Highway 22 into Leelanau County. One of the more famous lighthouses and one worth visiting is the Point Betsie Lighthouse, near Frankfort. Built in 1858, it's the oldest operating lighthouse in Michigan.

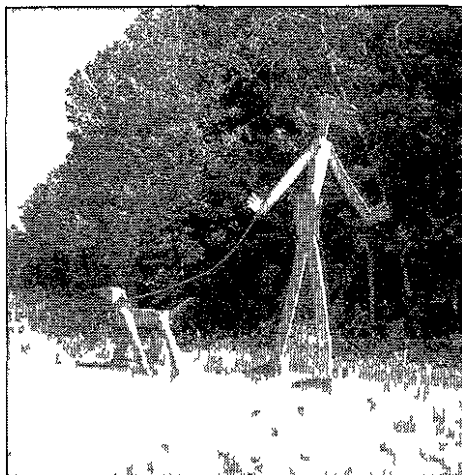


Antique printing presses produce original Gwen Frostic prints at the shop on River Road between Frankfort and Benzonia.

Ever wonder where the top of the world is? It's in Empire, at the end of Pierce Stocking Scenic Drive, on the top of the dune there. The view is unparalleled - in every direction. We hopped into a dune buggy with tour guide Jim for a thrilling ride at Mac Wood's Dune Rides in Mears, south on Highway 31, near Pentwater.

The whole trip left us wondering why we're just now discovering this part of Michigan, the part our forefathers rightly called the "land of delight."

Threeolbags are three creative 50-ish women from Garden City who collaborate on travel articles for the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers. You can find out more about them at [www.threeolbags.com](http://www.threeolbags.com).



Whimsical, larger-than-life rustic lawn art, decorates the grounds of Trick Dog's Art Gallery & Café.

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With so many great musical performances and free festivals this Labor Day weekend it's hard to figure out what to catch. Fill your ears and weekend with this special music edition of pure picks. Filtered just for you.

## Album

They say parenthood changes you and Clem Snide's frontman Eef Barzelay has transferred the joy of a wife and a new baby into the quietly creeping melodic love songs on the band's latest release **Soft Spot**.

The twangy alt country band has gone sentimental on fans creating quiet music that's perfect for swimming holes, summer country drives and a glass of lemonade.

But beneath the sentimental is a resonance of melancholy that allows Clem Snide to reach the delicate balance of writing love songs without falling back on tired clichés.

Available at local record stores.

For more information on the band check out <http://www.clemsnide.com>



PETER KAYAFUS

## Local music

The best place to catch a wide variety of Detroit rock sound this weekend is the **Hamtramck Labor Day Festival** taking place Friday through Monday.

Over 40 bands are scheduled to appear on the free festival's two stages including local artists Audra Kubat, The Elevations, The Roteers, Eric Weir and Tiny Steps. Saturday Looks Good to Me, Pas|Cal, The Fags, Jim Roll, Detroit Cobras and Twistin Tarantulas. The festival also features ethnic food and a carnival. The festival is located in downtown Hamtramck on Joseph Campau Avenue near the corner of Caniff.



The Detroit Cobras

## Lights on

When the lights went out, so did the sound on Detroit garage band **The Go's** record release show. The show has been rescheduled for Saturday at the Magic Stick in Detroit. The show is also your chance to pick up *Supercuts*, a vinyl only full length LP of unreleased tunes for \$5. The Witnesses will also perform. Doors open at 9 p.m. 18 and over. Cover is \$5. The Magic Stick is located at 4120 Woodward Ave in Detroit.

For more information check out <http://www.majes.ticdetroit.com> or call (313) 833-9700.

## Show

Meat meets metal music at the fourth annual **"Save the Vegetables"** slated for Saturday at the Detroit Contemporary. Local bands Downtown Brown, 45 Cents, The Amino Acids, The Jollies and many others are scheduled to perform.

The Detroit Contemporary is located at 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd in Detroit. Tickets are \$10, 18 and over. Doors open at 4 p.m.

## Festival

Your best band bet for this weekend's **Arts Eats and Beats**.

Oakland County's summer festival of music, art and food is **Sloan**.

The Canadian pop band, which is on the road to support its recently released album *Action Pact*, is slated to perform at the free festival at 10:30 p.m. Friday on the National Stage.

For more information on the festival click on <http://artsbeatseats.com> or call (248) 975-8850.

For more information Sloan check out <http://www.sloanmusic.com>



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Bluegrass legend J.D. Crowe headlines the Bluegrass Festival VII

# 'Oh Brother,' these are good days for roots music

BY KEVIN BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

These are good days for American roots music — bluegrass, folk and blues

Just last year, the roots-laden *Oh Brother Where Art Thou* film soundtrack won Best Album at the Grammy Awards, shocking many popular music devotees. The album also sold in buckets, and bluegrass music festivals saw a spike in attendance.

It probably jumped us double," said Bluegrass Festival VII promoter Tom Lang of Waterford, adding that enthusiasm remains strong.

The premiere local bluegrass festival returns Sept. 6 at Civic Center Park in Auburn Hills.

Bluegrass legend J.D. Crowe & The New South headline the show. Joining Crowe on the bill are multi-award winners IIIrd Tyme Out, The Special Consensus, The Chapmans and Groundspeed.

While traditional styles of American music have always drawn fans, the music is sometimes dismissed as unimportant or backward.

But during the '50s-60s, roots music was revered by intellectuals and college students. They embraced acoustic guitars, mandolins and banjos as vehicles of uncorrupted pure expression, free from the clutches of un-hip suit-wearing dudes who care more about money than music.

So lovers of bluegrass music — a main focus of *Oh Brother* — are still reveling in the continuing upsurge of interest in roots music.

That's called the Oh Brother phenomenon," notes bluegrass music promoter Tom Lang. Basically it introduced to younger generations, high school and college students, kind of a return to roots music.

Nearly 2,000 attended the festival last year. "We could easily do 3 or 4,000 if we needed to," he said.

"Every year they love the lineup, the talent that's here," said Brian Marzolf, Auburn Hills recreation director. "The setting is good and being free doesn't hurt."

"It's such a great variety," said Debra Berry of Waterford, a bluegrass fan who grew up loving Detroit rock. "There's the modern contemporary bands and some from back in the Opry days. It's just good old sentimental music, a beautiful campus. It's an easy thing to get to and an easy day to spend."

Bluegrass music is "folk music in overdrive," folklorist Alan Lomax wrote in the 1950s. The genre was founded in the

## BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL VII

**Who:** The performers are J.D. Crowe & The New South, IIIrd Tyme Out, Special Consensus, The Chapmans and Groundspeed.

**When:** Noon to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6

**Where:** Civic Center Park, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills

**Admission:** No charge

**Other:** Covered seating is available in case of rain. Lawn chairs are recommended. Free parking. Concessions are available. Please bring no alcohol or coolers. For more information call (248) 370-9353.

1940s by Bill Monroe and the Bluegrass Boys, which featured Lester Flatt on lead vocals and Earl Scruggs on rolling, three-finger banjo.

This first bluegrass band took old folk songs and string band music and started speeding them up, often pitching songs in higher keys.

Of the featured performers, J.D. Crowe is considered a pre-eminent bluegrass banjo player. His band over the years has been a training ground for future bluegrass stars, including Tony Rice and Ricky Skaggs. While Crowe represents tradition, IIIrd Tyme Out offers a younger take on bluegrass, sometimes covering Motown and other newer music.

Hosting the one-day festival is Special Consensus, a twice Grammy-nominated band from Chicago. Lang got the idea for the festival after booking the group for a summer concert series in Auburn Hills.

Greg Cahill from the group talked them into considering a one-day bluegrass festival, and he's been the host band every year.

Some of the top bluegrass talent booked in past years have included Rhonda Vincent and The Lonesome River Band.

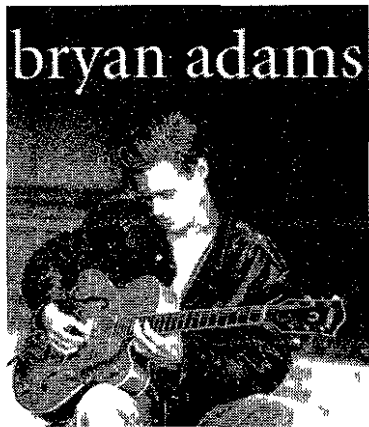
Each band rotates two 40-minute sets. There is free parking, and food and drink concessions. The festival is presented by The City of Auburn Hills and DaimlerChrysler.

In case of rain, there is a covered tent for festival-goers. The stage is also covered.



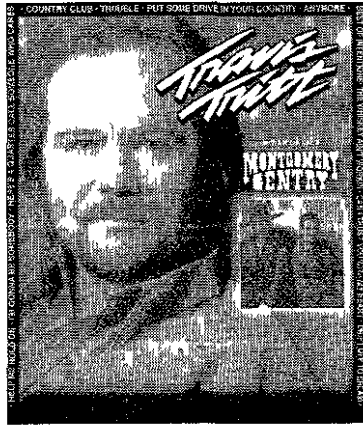


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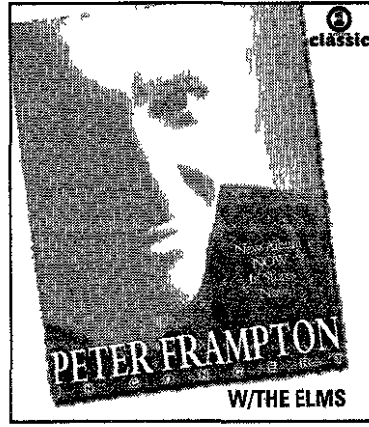


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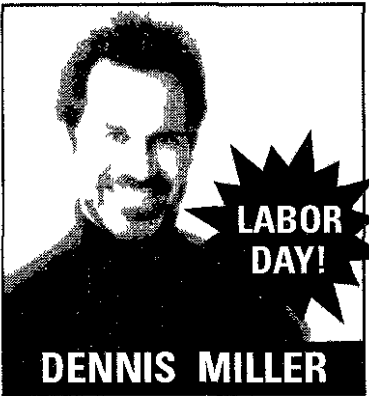
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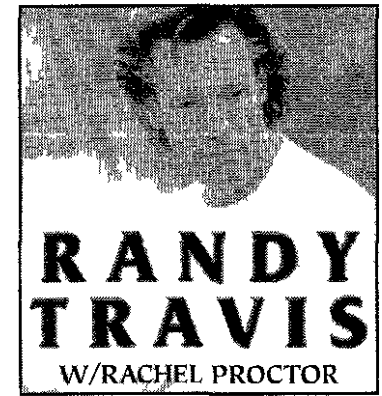
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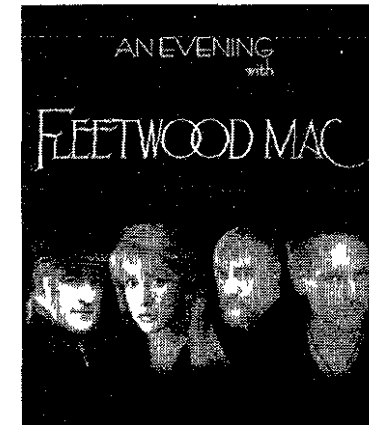
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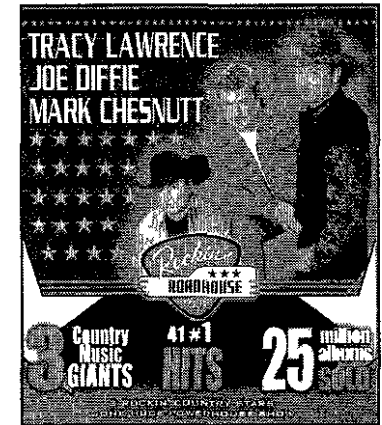
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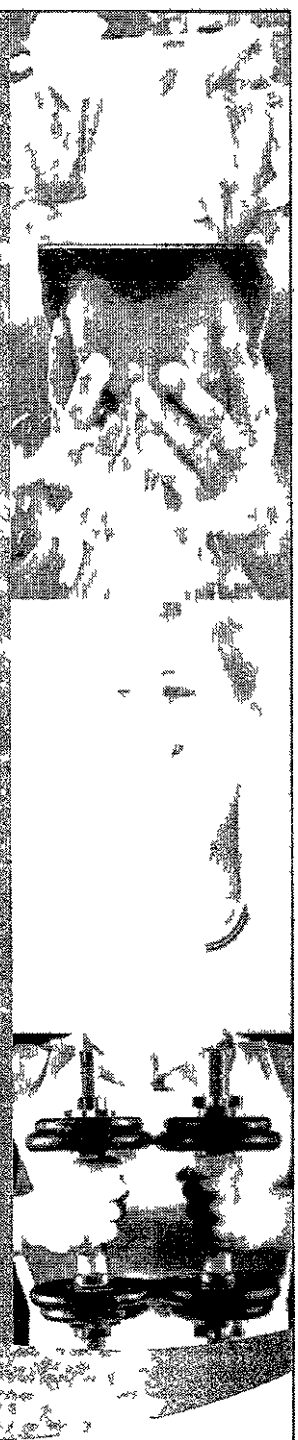
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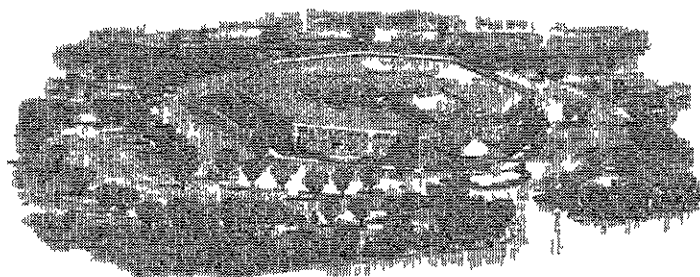
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