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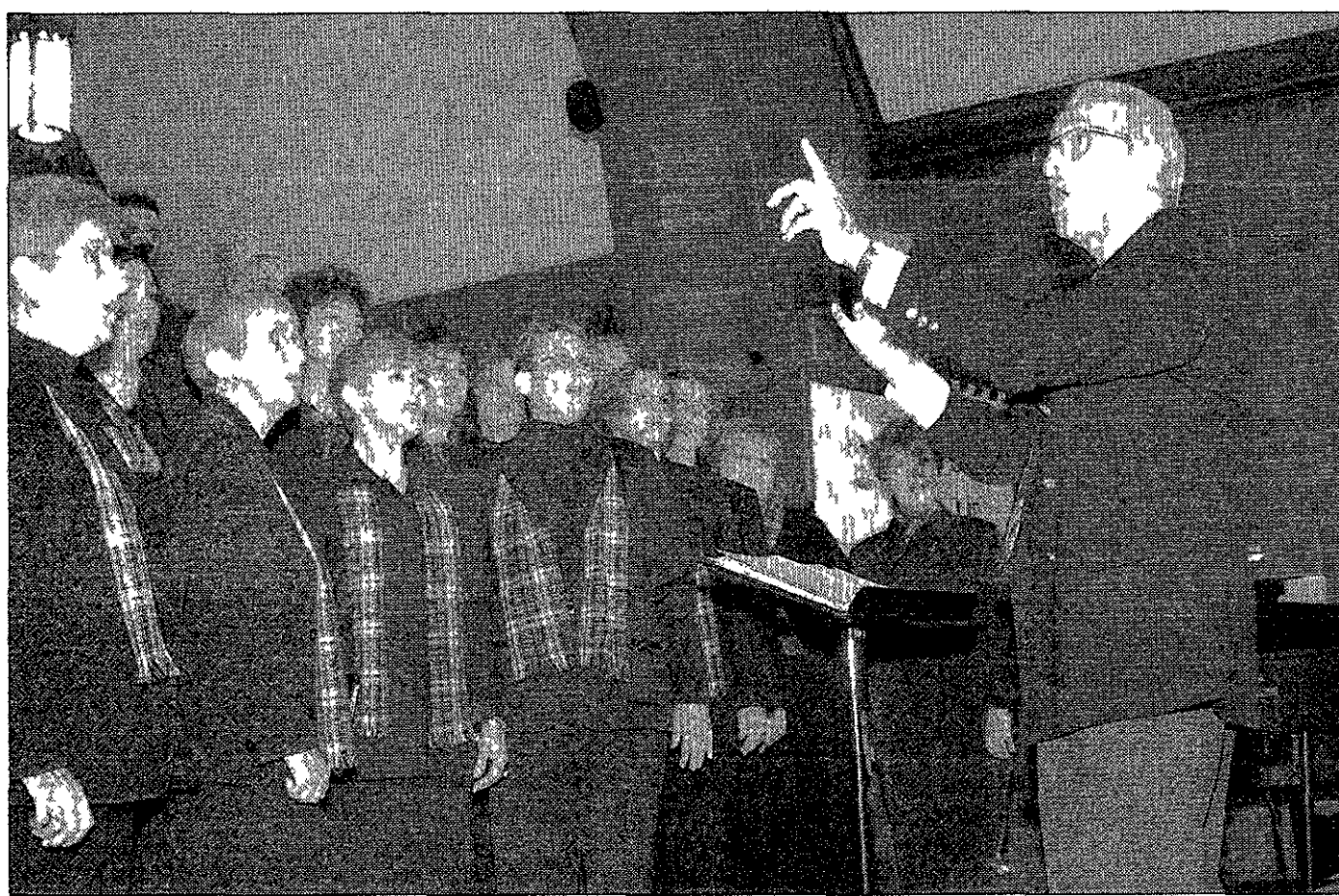
Weekend adventures at camp, botany hikes, fishing and evening star gazing are just some of the outdoor activities planned for Girl Scouts and their families through a grant awarded to the Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council by the Community Foundation for Southeastern Michigan (CFSEM).

The award is part of The Great Outdoors, a \$2.2 million grant CFSEM established to fund programs to improve learning, health and general well-being of local children.

Girl Scouts of the Huron Valley Council will use the \$130,000 award to fund Second Nature, Making the Out of Doors a Healthy Habit for Girls and Families.

Second Nature will introduce girls ages 6-12 and their families to lifelong activities that can be shared to the benefit of our community.

According to Huron Valley Council CEO Gail Scott, the grant will also be used to provide outdoor programs for families at First Step (Western Wayne County's domestic and sexual violence shelter), Green Baxter Court and Hikone Community Center (both low-income housing communities).



Jerry Smith (right) of Livonia is the musical director for the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. Here they warm up between services on Sunday.

Group's trip to Scotland has a mission

Presbyterian choir sings abroad to benefit disadvantaged children

BY KIMBERLY MORTSON
STAFF WRITER

Going to Scotland would be reward enough for most people, but for more than two dozen members of the First Presbyterian Church of Plymouth, the bonus arose

out of the mission work they fulfilled while abroad to benefit disadvantaged children. Under the leadership of First Presbyterian Church Choir Director Jerry Smith, 20 choir members from the Plymouth church coupled with 15 performers from the

William Tyndale College Artists Ensemble to put on five concerts in Edinburgh, Troon, Naarn and Dunkeld, Scotland.

It was a blessing we were able to go and perform the kinds of programs we did, said Smith, former director of the Bentley High School choir for 30 years.

BRAINSTORM

The original idea stemmed from the local and long distance connection First Presbyterian Church Rev. Jim Skimins has with

Glasgow and the link the Rev. Douglas Campbell, executive director of the Scottish Bible Society has with Plymouth.

Ironically Skimins, who is pastor of Plymouth First Presbyterian Church, is a native of Glasgow after having relocated from Scotland to Pennsylvania before being assigned to the Plymouth church. One of Skimins' parishioners, Douglas Campbell, who was born and raised in Plymouth, was named executive director of

PLEASE SEE CHOR, A5

Bomb claims Salem grad

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

He was the nicest man anyone could ever meet. I never heard anyone say anything bad about Trevor. That was the way Plymouth Salem



Blumberg

teacher Byron Richardson remembered Sgt. Trevor Blumberg, who was killed in Iraq on Sunday when a roadside bomb hit a convoy and destroyed the Humvee occupied by Blumberg and three other soldiers.

The 1999 Salem graduate was a member of the 1st Battalion of the 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment. They had been deployed to Iraq just three days earlier.

Blumberg, 22, was the son of Terry and Janet Blumberg of Carlton. 'He was the kind of student that

PLEASE SEE GRAD, A5

Meetings designed to get resident input on tax hike

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

An educational campaign on Plymouth's financial plight and projected future begins Tuesday, designed to give the

pros and cons of passing Proposal One, which will be decided by voters in the Nov. 4 general election. If passed by city voters, Proposal One — otherwise known as the Headlee override

— will allow the city to raise taxes from its current 11 mills to a maximum 15 mills, for each of the next three years.

What we're basically going to

PLEASE SEE TAXES, A2

Projectors good find for museum

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

It's nowhere near close to today's DVD technology. However, two decades-old, cast iron movie projectors discovered recently in the basement of the Mayflower Meeting House in Plymouth are an even better find for the Plymouth Historical Museum.

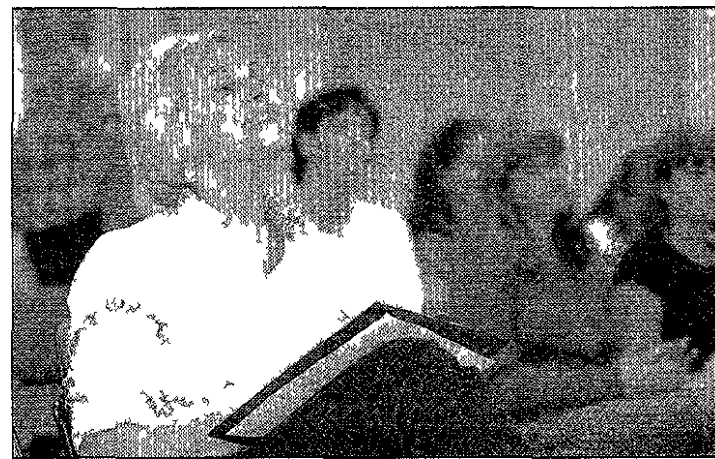
(Owner) Randy Lorenz told me, I have some movie cameras from the old P&A Theatre, from when it burned down, said Beth Stewart, director of the museum. 'They ended up being stored in the basement since then.'

That's been since January 1968. The theater — located on Penman across from the current downtown post office —

caught fire when a spark from a welding machine destroyed the adjacent Pennman Building, which housed Minerva's Dress Shop, Bode's Restaurant and the draft board.

They probably weigh about 600 pounds apiece," said Stewart, who was able to get a local moving company to

PLEASE SEE MUSEUM, A6



PAUL HURSCHMANN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

New Uptown Players director Sharon Belobraidich watches auditions at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Monday evening.

PCAC gets new director for youth drama program

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When officials at the Plymouth Community Arts Council went looking for a new director for their youth

drama troupe, they asked retired elementary school teacher Sharon Belobraidich to sit in on the interviews. Little did they know they

PLEASE SEE DIRECTOR, A4

CD release

Brazil and Beyond a CD devoted exclusively to Beatles music will be released at a free concert at 7 p.m. Thursday Oct. 2 at Evola Music in Canton.

The CD is done by Brazil and Beyond which bills itself as south east Michigan's best known group playing Brazilian music.

The CD will feature a dozen Beatles songs.

This is our celebration of Beatles music set against a backdrop of the exotic sounds, styles and instruments of Brazil, group leader Rich Kowalewski said.

He said the CD was a response to numerous requests he's been fielding for years.

Evola Music is located at 7170 Haggerty in Canton. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the concert starting at 7 p.m.

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Dance fever

Friends Shannon Burke (left) and Nora Akcasu dance to music by Mass Transit as Nora's mom, Romona Benkert watches. Mass Transit played at the final concert in the Downtown Development Authority's Music in the Air series in Kellogg Park. The concert had originally been scheduled for Aug. 15 but was cancelled because of the Great Blackout of 2003.

TAXES

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present is if there is a 'yes' vote, this is what will happen, taxes will go up, and these are the kinds of things that will continue, or be enhanced, if we get the money, said Mayor Pro-Tem Colleen Pobur, part of a three-member education committee that will outline consequences to voters. "If the override is not voted in, taxes will go down as the Headlee rollback continues, and these kinds of services may be reduced. 'We want to be clear about

what we're talking about, but next year's commission will make the final decisions,' she added. The town hall-style meetings will be held Tuesday and Wednesday next week, with sessions at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. There will also be two additional sessions Wednesday, Oct. 1. All will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center. A separate session is being planned for seniors at Tonquish Manor, however, no date has yet been established. The city administration has sent out 300 notices of the sessions to a cross-section of residents, however, anyone is invited to attend any or all of

the meetings. The city is facing budget deficits ranging from \$1.16 million in fiscal year 2004-05, to an estimated \$2.4 million in 2008-09, unless additional revenue is found or drastic budget cuts are made. Commissioners have been discussing cuts, though a list reportedly circulating among commissioners has not been made public. Items on the list, according to several sources who asked not to be identified, include cutting city personnel by 20 percent, reductions in the police department, discontinuing fire services with Plymouth Township and developing a paid-on-call department, and a change in police dispatch services. People's jobs are involved, contracts in which we're involved currently, like dispatch and fire, and potentially getting out of those contracts,' Pobur said. 'In my opinion, there's nothing that's not under consideration. The goal was to get citizen input so they can tell us how they want us to run the city,' she added. It will be an ongoing issue for several years to come.

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AROUND TOWN

AUTHOR APPEARS

Stevo Julus, author of *Neither Red Nor Dead: Coming of Age in Former Yugoslavia during and after World War II*, appears at the Plymouth District Library at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30. Julus will sign books and recount events during the tumultuous times in his homeland. Raised in a non-practicing Jewish family, Julus was 12 when the Germans occupied former Yugoslavia. His family hid in a small village and eventually joined Tito's guerillas. His story is one of two brothers who, facing the same difficulties, grew up as very different adults. Stevo Julus became a renowned professor of medical research in heart disease at the University of Michigan and resides in Ann Arbor. Register for the program by calling (734) 453-0750, press 4, or on the library's Web site, plymouthlibrary.org.

POETRY WORKSHOP

Performance poet Jeff Kass will conduct "Hard Work," a performance poetry workshop at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1. Kass is founder of the Ann Arbor Youth Poetry Slam and is a former Ann Arbor Poetry Slam champion. He will help participants build skills in writing and performing in a setting that values diversity of voices and experiences. Pizza and pop will be served.

This event is in preparation for the Plymouth Library Poetry Slam, which will be held during national Teen Read Week, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23. Register by calling (734) 453-0570, Ext. 4.

HEATING UP

Plymouth is gearing up for the annual Great Lakes Regional Chili Cook-Off, scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 12. The main event of the day is the eighth-annual cook-off, which features cooks from all over the country, with some 60 'chili-heads' vying for the top spot. Cash prizes and trophies are awarded and the top chili and salsa competition winners advancing to the world

competition, set for Reno, Nev. The day also includes a "Restaurant Chili Challenge," with local restaurants serving up their own versions of chili, and a ride-in Motorcycle Bike Show sponsored by Motor City Harley Davidson of Farmington Hills. The event features some 3,000 bikes, and visitors get a chance to pick the winner. Proceeds from the event support local children's charities. For more information, call event chairperson Annette Horn, (734) 455-8838.

FLU SHOTS

The Wayne County Department of Public Health provides flu and pneumonia shots to the public from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Nov. 10 at the Plymouth Cultural Center. Cost of the flu shot is \$10, the pneumonia shot costs \$16. Medicare covers the cost of both vaccines. Wayne County will staff the site with five nurses, with each nurse able to vaccinate some 15 people per hour.

Appointments are required and can be made by calling the City of Plymouth Recreation Department, (734) 455-6620, or in person at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

JAYCEES GOLF

The Plymouth Jaycees are sponsoring a golf outing Sunday, Sept. 28 to benefit the Lupus Alliance of Michigan. The event starts with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The cost is \$125, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart and dinner. Dinner-only tickets are available for \$35. Door prizes will be given away. To register or for more information, e-mail plymouth-jaycees2003@yahoo.com or call (734) 453-8407.

PREVIEW PARTY

Hidden Falls, the new spa located on Schoolcraft in Plymouth Township, is throwing a preview party from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27. Refreshments, snacks and "sneak peek" tours of the inte-

rior gardens, rock grotto pool and other environs will be featured. Hidden Falls is a 36,000-square-foot facility that features, among other things, a full-scale spa, state-of-the-art exercise club, fitness and relaxation classes, men's and women's lockers and a health bar. For more information, call (734) 464-7777.

GALLERY'S 20TH

Penniman Gallery is celebrating 20 years in downtown Plymouth, and as part of the celebration will feature Washington D.C. artist Sharon Roslund, who will present her sculpture masterpieces from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13. Roslund is most known for her art sculptures, jewelry, masks and porcelain ornaments.

Penniman Gallery is located at 927 Penniman in downtown Plymouth. For more information, call owner Scott Smith, (734) 455-5531.

AUTHOR SPEAKS

Author and New York Daily News columnist Juan Gonzalez is the featured speaker at Madonna University's Office of Multicultural Affairs at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30 in Kresge Hall on campus. Current president and founder of the National Association of Hispanic Journalists, Gonzalez was the winner of the 1998 George Polk journalism award and was named one of the nation's 100 most influential Hispanics by Hispanic Business. His previous books include *Roll Down Your Window*, *Stories of a Forgotten America* and *Harvest of Empire: A History of Latinos in America*. He is also one of few journalists to investigate the environmental impact of the World Trade Center collapse in New York City. A book signing is planned following his presentation. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Office of Multicultural Affairs at (734) 432-5541. Madonna University is located at I-96 and Levan Road in Livonia.

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Marchers marvelous at Novi opener United Way sets goal

P-CEP band sweeps Flight I trophies with newest routine

BY DIANE HANSON
CORRESPONDENT

It was a picture-perfect ending to a picture-perfect day. On a day that could only be described as spectacular, the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Marching Band made a grand sweep of Flight I trophies, capturing the top trophy for first place along with all three caption awards for Best Marching, Best Music and Best General Effect at the Novi Fanfare band competition at Novi High School on Sept. 13.

"They did a fantastic job," said P-CEP Band Director Marc Whitlock. "My number-one challenge for them was to come off that field knowing they did the best job possible as individuals. They lived up to that challenge, they worked very hard out there, they had a lot of fun, and they did exactly what I asked them to do. That is a huge test because now I know when they have to put it on the line, they have the ability to do so."

And that ability paid off with the highest score among the 10 competing bands. With only



PHOTOS BY DIANE HANSON

Color guardist Kristen Benages weaves her way through saxophonists (from left) Any Vink, Joe Girard and Amy Reissenweber during the Plymouth-Canton Marching Band's performance at the season opener in Novi.

two-thirds of their show completed, the hometown marchers netted a 70.85 for their dynamic performance of Souls of the Gypsy Caravan. The fluid movements of P-CEP color guard and band members along with the haunting and lively sounds of Middle Eastern, Hungarian and Romanian strains captivated the audience as well as the judges. "I like this show a lot," said Canton junior color guard member Lauren Berryman. "I think this year is a lot more about the emotion behind it. In the past years I think it has been more mechanical and now it is freer and you can have a lot more fun with it."

That emotion is exactly what Whitlock wants to see — and hear. "Every band in the United States will come off the field being physically tired," he said. "My challenge to them was to be emotionally drained and they surely did that. You have to take ownership of your music and your marching. That embodies the definition of performance. If you are just playing notes on a piece of paper or doing choreography based on beats, it is only two-dimensional. To make it three-dimensional, you must have emotional

content, you have to be confident in what you are doing, and you have to have a good time. That was no problem for flutist Jennie Jansen, a Canton junior. "This is probably one of the more energetic and fun programs we have done," she said. "It's really cool."

The next step is beginning practice on the extremely fast-paced closer, a Turkish piece called Turceasca, which deals with parties, festivals and revelry. While it's not likely to be ready for the Michigan Invitational at EMU Sept. 20, plans are to have a good portion prepared by the Bands of America Regional competition Sept. 27.

"We could have the whole show on the field right now," said Whitlock, "but we would be the Jack of all trades and the master of nothing at all. We're just trying to give them a chance to be successful. That's part of the P-CEP band's philosophy of gradually putting things together."

Certainly no one can question that philosophy with the kind of track record the P-CEP band has accumulated over the years, including 14 Flight I state championships and placing in the top nine bands in the nation at the Bands of America Grand National Championships since 1988, taking the top spot in 1990, '91 and '99.

"It was excellent," said Salem senior Ashley Spohn of

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community United Way has begun its 2003-04 campaign in an effort to raise \$1.2 million for 21 local organizations that serve residents in the Plymouth, Canton and Northville communities.

The goal is the same as last year's effort, according to Rick DeBruyne, this year's campaign chairman from Johnson Controls.

"We know it's tough, and we know some are giving more than they can give," said DeBruyne. "It's tough for industry because they have a responsibility to the community, but they still have to show profits to owners and shareholders."

"But, we know there are cutbacks in government funding for many of the groups we support, and we try to show how the United Way supports them," said DeBruyne. "It's truly a great community spirit that exists here."

Some of the human service

programs which receive funding from the Plymouth Community United Way include First Step, Growth Works, Community Opportunity Center, Angela Hospice, Plymouth Council on Aging and the Salvation Army.

Marie Morrow, president of the Plymouth Community United Way, said it was decided now wasn't the time to increase the PCUW goal.

"The board and the campaign chairman took everything into consideration, and because of the economics of the community decided we would maintain our goal," said Morrow. "We reached it last year, and we think we can do it again this year."

Despite a slow economy, the PCUW surpassed its goal last year by collecting pledges totaling more than \$1.3 million.

Donations to the Plymouth Community United Way can be made by calling the Plymouth office at 734/453-6879, or on the newly revamped Web site, which is www.plymouthunitedway.org.

Alumni association forming

A P-CMB alumni association is in the process of formation for band members as well as band boosters. There will be an alumni hospitality tent at the Great Lakes Invitational held at the P-CEP home field on Oct. 4. For more information call Lorraine at 734-455-8213 or log on to the Web site www.pcmb.net and click the link to the alumni Web site.

Saturday's performance. "And it can only get better from here. We've got a band of hard workers." She should know. This is her third year as drum major.

I'm looking forward to throwing down really good performances every week because that's the best, she said, just throwing down every Saturday night going home and feeling good on Sunday then coming back ready to work hard on Monday.

Schools use meetings to query stakeholders

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton school board members will conduct community meetings Monday night in an effort to acquire information from stakeholders about the future of the district.

According to board vice president Mark Slavens, there are several issues Board of Education trustees want to discuss with those who live in the school district.

"I want to find out what they think is important to them in measuring success for our school district," said Slavens. "Do they measure success by MEAP scores, graduation rates, dropout rates, athletics, band? What does this community value, and how do we measure success?"

Once we establish how we measure success then the board needs to establish goals and improve on those, he said.

Slavens said the Monday town hall-style sessions will also help the Board of Education determine budget cuts, which appear inevitable for the 2004-05 school year.

"We're looking at another round of \$6-\$7 million in budget cuts next year, and I want to know what people are willing to cut, what they can live without," Slavens said. "This is going to be a pivotal year."

All four sessions will begin at 7 p.m. They include:

- Field Elementary School, 1000 S. Haggerty Rd., Canton
- Thomas Wysocki and Supt. Jim Ryan
- Dodson Elementary School, 205 N. Beck Rd., Canton
- Judy Mardigian and Richard Ham Kucharski
- East Middle School, 1042 S. Mill Street, Plymouth
- Carol Saunders and Elizabeth Givens
- Discovery Middle School, 45083 Hanford Road, Canton
- Mark Slavens and Joanne Lamar



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Joe Girard plays a masterful saxophone solo at the end of the first movement during the marching band's performance in Novi.

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Kelley Donnelly of Canton 8 interacts with her mom Mary Beth during auditions at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Monday evening

DIRECTOR

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were inviting their next director to the table. After several candidates failed to spark any interest in PCAC officials, they decided they had their gal all along, and asked Belobraidich to take the job. The 40-year teaching veteran first agreed to take the summer camp, then finally said yes to the full-time gig as the director of the Uptown Players, formerly the Whistle Stop players.

"I'm a firm believer in the arts," said Belobraidich, who taught first- and second-graders in Plymouth Canton schools for 38 years before retiring after last year. "They're so important to children. If you take away the arts, you take away humanity."

Belobraidich's devotion to youngsters is what drew the PCAC to her. A graduate of Troy High School and Michigan State University, Belobraidich started out teaching in Lansing, then moved to Plymouth Canton.

She taught at Bird Elementary School for 23 years, then spent 15 years at Hoben Elementary before retiring in 2002. Her classroom work with her students included drama, and she produced a play every year for her kids. That's actually how she got started in the drama business. She was the teacher to the children of the owners of Curtam Call Dance and Drama in Canton. When Curtam Call decided to put together a drama program for kids in 1979, they called on Belobraidich to lead it.

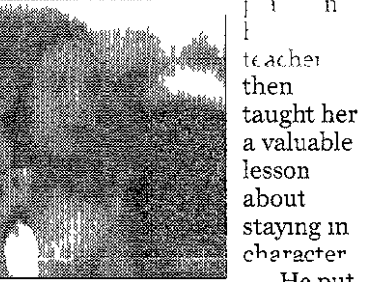
"I told them I wasn't qualified," she recalled. "They said, 'We've watched how you work with young kids. That's the important part.'"

She took the job, and kept it until 1987, when her husband, Frank, died of complications from diabetes. After taking the



Nicole Fuerstnau 7 and Elena Ybarra 8 both from Canton watch the auditions at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Monday evening

summer to grieve Belobraidich returned to the classroom that fall. She has long been associated with the American Association of University Women, directing their annual play, but her interest in drama extends back into her high school days. Belobraidich is a Troy native, graduating from Troy High School in 1978. She did a couple of high school



Emily Sniedeman of Canton, 8 and her twin sister Maggie watch the auditions at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Monday evening

to drink, Belobraidich remembered, laughing. "We spit it out across the stage, and here he came down out of the bleachers, ragging on us about holding character, no matter what happens on the stage."

She moved on to MSU where she majored in elementary education but minored in speech and drama. She'd also taken some 14 years worth of piano lessons, but didn't use either in college.

"I guess I didn't think I was good enough," Belobraidich said. "I always wanted to play Carnegie Hall, but as I matured I realized I didn't have the talent for that."

Besides, teaching and starting a family were higher on her

list than a Hollywood career. She did both, marrying Frank Belobraidich in 1962 and raising daughters Caryn and Ellyn, and starting her teaching career.

"I loved teaching," Belobraidich said. "Six- and 7-year olds are the most wonderful people. They love everything, and the world is just opening up to them. It's such a couple of years of learning. I found my calling."

It's her adherence to that calling that attracted her to PCAC officials Stella Greene, the PCAC's new executive director, has known Belobraidich for years, and said she has always been impressed with Belobraidich's grasp of what's appealing to youngsters. So the decision to ask her to sit in on interviews seemed natural. But as they wore on, Greene started wondering if she didn't have her candidate right under her nose.

"She has an innate ability to connect with children," Greene said. "It was the natural way to go. Her enthusiasm is contagious. Belobraidich is conducting auditions for the Uptown Players' first production, a musical *Tom Sawyer*. Beyond that, she hasn't committed, but she sounds like she's having the time of her life."

"I love doing drama for young kids," Belobraidich said. "At one performance, a kid was sitting in front of the director, and when the curtain opened, the kid said to his mom, 'We need a TV this big. It's so much fun to that that with kids, to have them realize, 'Wow, this is a live person'."

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CHOIR

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the Scottish Bible Society of Scotland in 2001

Through the two men's love of their homeland and their lifelong pursuit to serve God, they collaborated on the missionary trip to bring the Michigan Gospel Singers to the people of Scotland

Skumms and his wife Irene regularly take groups of people to Scotland on tour, so making arrangements for the Michigan singing entourage was second nature

After more than a year of planning, Smith and his 35-member choir began practicing every other Sunday from January to June until they left for Scotland earlier this summer

'We put our heart and soul into the performances,' said Smith who selected contemporary, gospel and spiritual music for the overseas tour 'We performed the kind of music the Europeans love American music'

Smith, who has taken the choir from eight members to more than 45 since he took over the position 30 months ago, included some tunes native to Michigan, including *Michigan Morn* by H. Owen Reed

The choir recorded a CD of its musical selections before the trip to sell at the programs as another way of raising money for the Scottish Bible Society Due to the popularity of the four-city tour, they sold out almost immediately and had to order more discs to be sent back to Scotland at a later date



PHOTO BY DONALD J. ALLEY

Milanne Richards of Plymouth and Lynda Park of Farmington Hills sing for the service on Sunday

GIVING BACK

The idea appealed to me from day one,' Plymouth resident and Presbyterian Church member Milanne Richards said 'It was my way of contributing something to the church

Richards, who had been to Scotland three years prior, said singing in the choir for the people of Scotland was immensely rewarding 'It was an uplifting experience for everyone,' Richards added, 'and very fulfilling to go there and make so many people happy

Over the two-week tour, the Michigan Gospel Singers raised more than \$7,000 to

benefit Bibleworld, a media center in Edinburgh that revolves around the life and adventures of St. Paul Smith likens the high tech facility to Disneyland 'but about the Bible

Visitors find themselves on a Maltese beach facing the missionary's wrecked vessel, in a Roman forum or a prison cell, all the while discovering through computer and other media why Christians through the ages have valued the Bible so much, and the relevance of the Scriptures to the modern world

According to Smith, the money the choir raised will offset the cost of admission to Bibleworld for more than 700 disadvantaged children

Following the trip, Smith and other members of the choir have received positive feedback and correspondence from other churches and concert goers alike about their mission work

For the time being, the Plymouth choir director said he'll focus on maintaining and expanding the musical offers at the Plymouth church

'I'm thankful our choir is growing and am satisfied with the experience we had in Scotland. Everyone benefits from a trip of that nature and I'm glad I was able to be a part of it,' Smith said

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GRAD

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made me enjoy coming to work, Richardson said 'Trevor and I would talk a lot. He'd talk about his dad. He always respected what his dad did

Richardson recalled that Blumberg worked with his father in the sprinkling business

'One time I was having trouble with the pressure in my system,' he said 'Trevor said I'll come out to your house and check it. He was just like that'

As a student of Richardson's marketing classes, Blumberg ended up managing the Salem school store

'He was a hard working kid,' Richardson said 'He worked hard for what he had. He helped us get the account for Carhart, which is a line of work clothes. He went to their world headquarters in Dearborn and got the contract for us to sell them in the school store. We're the only high school that sells their product in the U.S.'

In addition to his work in the store, Blumberg was an offensive and defensive lineman for the varsity football team

Blumberg had been in the Army for about three or four years, Richardson said

He just got his sergeant's stripes on the way over (to

'Trevor was raised in the church and confirmed with us. We were all proud of his willingness to serve. Many people loved him and knew him. It's a great loss.'

Rev. Jerry Yarnell
St. Michael Lutheran

Iraq), he said 'His dad was real proud of him

Richardson said he heard about Blumberg's death on the six o'clock news

I just had to stop in my tracks and sit down for awhile,' he said

Canton Supervisor Tom Yack also learned about the incident on a Sunday evening news broadcast

Both Yack and the Blumbergs attend St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton

'In church on Sunday, we prayed for his safety,' Yack said 'Then my wife heard on the news that night that he had been killed

Yack said he knew the family casually from church. But on Saturday before Blumberg was killed, Yack said he was talking with some staff from the church and for some reason Trevor's name came up

He had told his parents just before he shipped out 'You know, not everyone's coming back

Yack ordered township flags lowered to half-staff in Blumberg's honor

And township accountant John Spencer, a Vietnam veteran, said a brick with Blumberg's name on it will be added to the Veterans Memorial in Heritage Park

'He's the first Canton soldier killed in action since Vietnam,' Spencer said

The Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran said the Blumbergs are longtime members of the church

Trevor was raised in the church and confirmed with us, he said 'We were all proud of his willingness to serve. Many people loved him and knew him. It's a great loss

Yarnell said Terry Blumberg was an Army veteran who had served in Vietnam

The family referred all calls to an Army spokeswoman

The Army has a liaison officer who's been extremely helpful, Yarnell said

The family's faith in the Lord and trusting their son to God's care is helping them get through this

In addition to his parents Blumberg is survived by a sister, Amanda, of Dearborn Heights

Yarnell said Amanda and Brian Marshall were married in the church in August

As of Wednesday afternoon arrangements for Blumberg were still pending

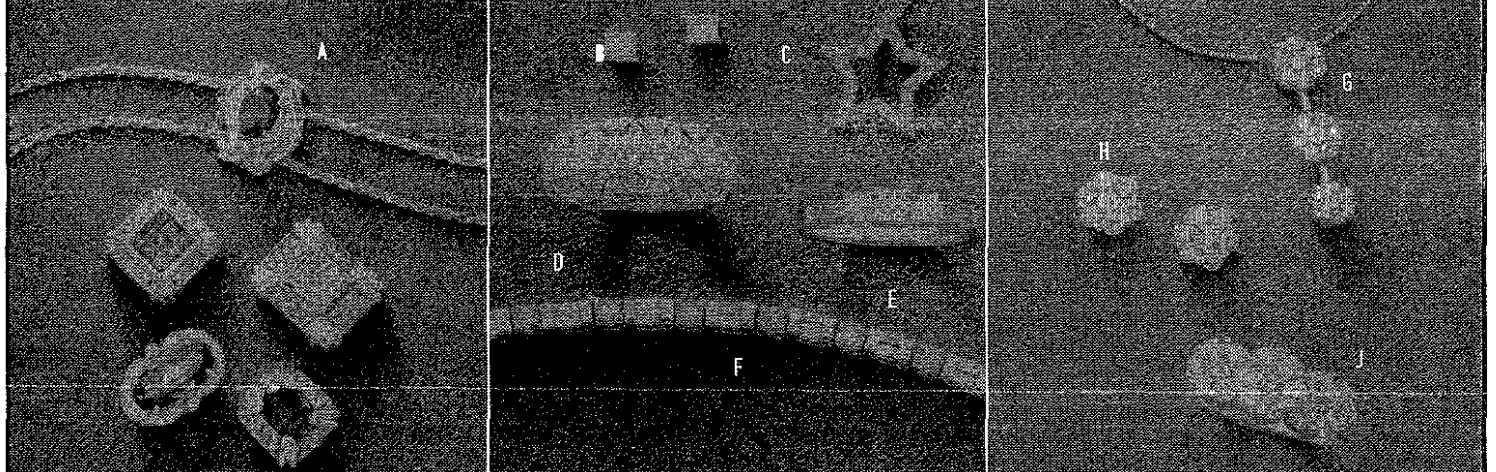
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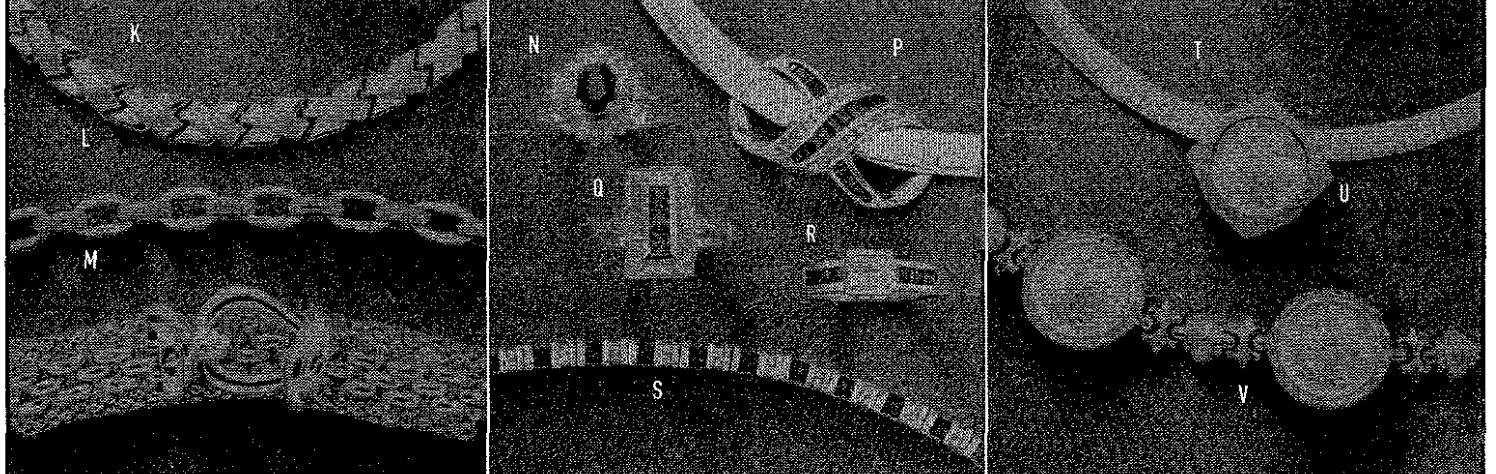
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Health Lecture

Half an Hour to Health is the topic of a lecture Tuesday Sept 23 at 6:15 p.m. and Tuesday Oct 7 at 6:15 p.m. at 8524 Canton Center Road in Canton. The guest lecturer will be Dr. Michael Brackney D.C. To sign up or for more information call (734) 455 4693

Foster Care

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Crafters Wanted

Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Dearborn Heights is looking for crafters for the 15th annual Arts and Crafts Show. The show is being held Saturday Nov 22. For information call (734) 522 9653 or (248) 474 2297

Fashion Show Boutique

The Redford Suburban League is looking for crafters for its 30th annual

fashion show boutique scheduled for Wednesday Oct 22 at Burton Manor in Livonia. Crafters can reserve space by calling (734) 591 9167

Craft and Home Show

Delta Kappa Gamma's 17th annual craft and home show will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Oct 18 at West Middle School. Call (734) 844 1707 for more information

Learn to Skate

Arctic Edge Ice Arena in Canton is offering a fall Learn to Skate program for various levels of instruction. Call (734) 487 7777 for more information

Senior Golf Special

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Entertainment books

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Divorce Recovery Workshop

To help people thinking of divorce in the process of divorcing, divorced or separated to heal and grow. Being held 7:30 p.m. Thursdays through Sept 25. A different topic will be discussed each week. Held at Forum Room of First Presbyterian Church of

Northville

Chorus Auditions

Plymouth Community Chorus will be starting its 30th year this fall at Hillside Middle School in Northville. Will continue by appointment only on Sept 16 and 23. For more information call (734) 455 4080

Caregivers Conference

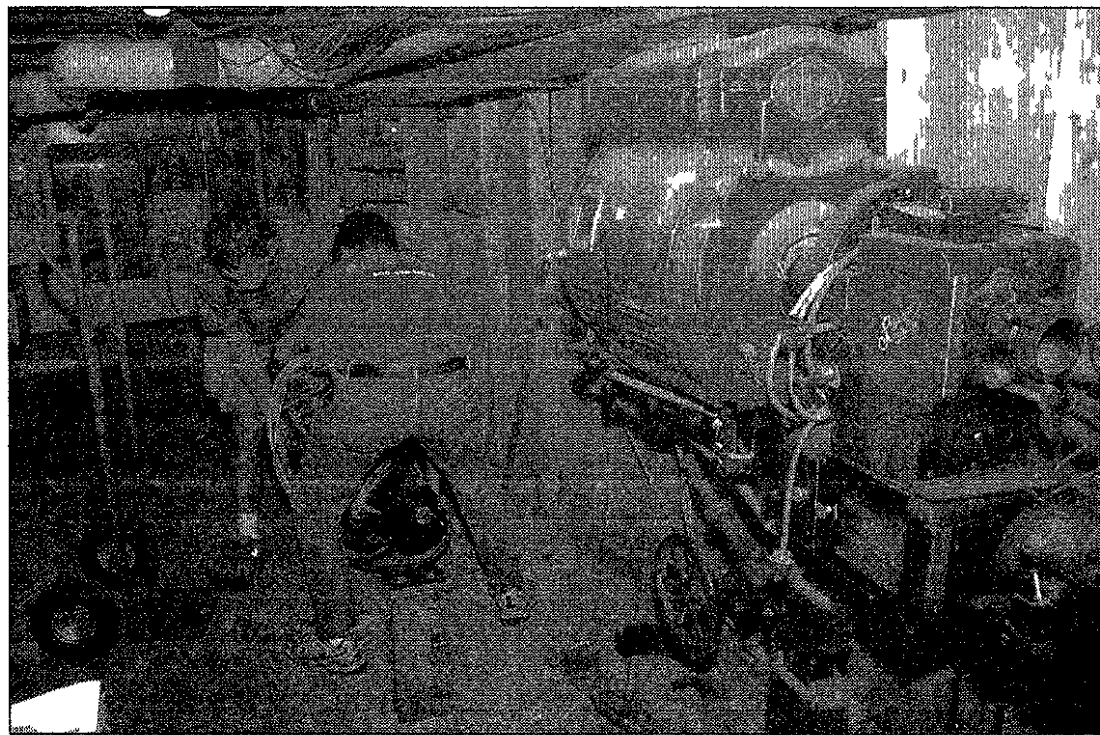
For seniors or anyone meeting the needs of older adults. Qualified professionals will speak, answer questions, provide helpful materials and advice. Taking place at the Plymouth District Library 6:30-8:45 p.m. Thursday Sept 25. Call (734) 453 1234 Ext 236 to pre-register

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The heavy projectors weighed hundreds of pounds and had to be moved up basement stairs in the Mayflower Meeting House

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MUSEUM

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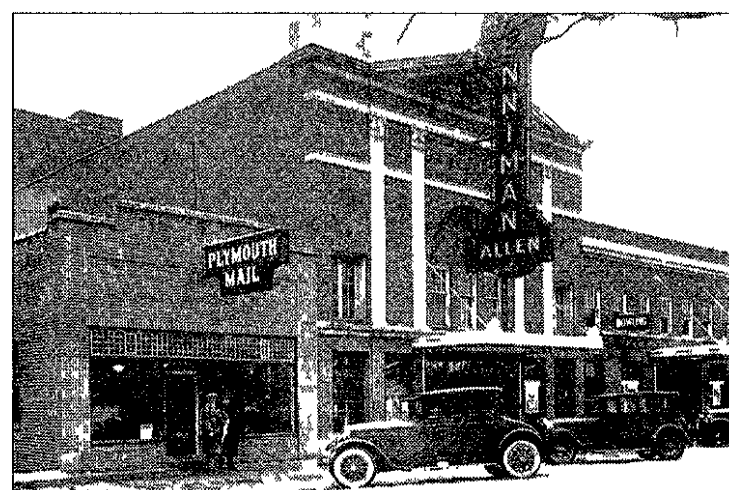
handle the transfer to the museum. They used to have two projectors so when the first movie reel ran out, they would continue the movie on the second.

'We took one of the two projectors, and will exhibit it as part of our time line in the lower level of the museum,' Stewart said. 'We've got a couple of theater seats with the P&A logo on the side. I've got somebody looking to find movie reels for us.'

The Penniman-Allen Theatre, commonly known as the P&A, opened its doors in November 1918. Kate Penniman-Allen named Plymouth's first modern theater in honor of her husband, Will Allen, and her father, E.J. Penniman.

The P&A was really a precursor to today's entertainment centers. It not only included a 606-seat theater, but was also outfitted with an assembly hall, downstairs bowling alley, billiard parlor and dining room. Next door was an adjoining dance hall with a balcony for the orchestra.

This was the beginning of the golden age of movies



The old P&A Theater was destroyed by fire in 1968

Stewart said, 'and you could go there and spend the whole day.'

Kate Penniman-Allen made news in 1922 when she decided to show movies on Sundays, upsetting church-goers who thought young people would be tempted to flock to the movie house instead of church. It split the community right down the middle,' Stewart said.

Plymouth actually had to have a vote to allow it to happen.

The controversy was eventually settled March 13, 1922 when Plymouth residents voted 746-507 to allow the theater to show movies on Sunday.

The P&A could also be described as Plymouth's Titanic. In an old *Plymouth Mail* article, the theater was described as one of the city's first concrete buildings, 'entirely free from fire peril. That theory was dispelled 50 years later, when it was destroyed by fire.'

For 27 years Plymouth was the hotbed of entertainment in the Detroit area.

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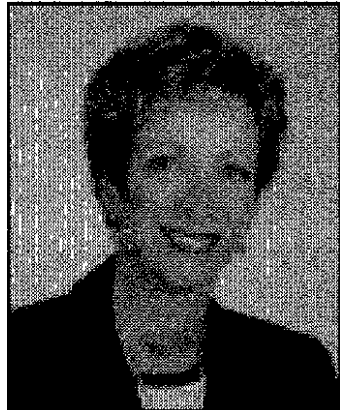
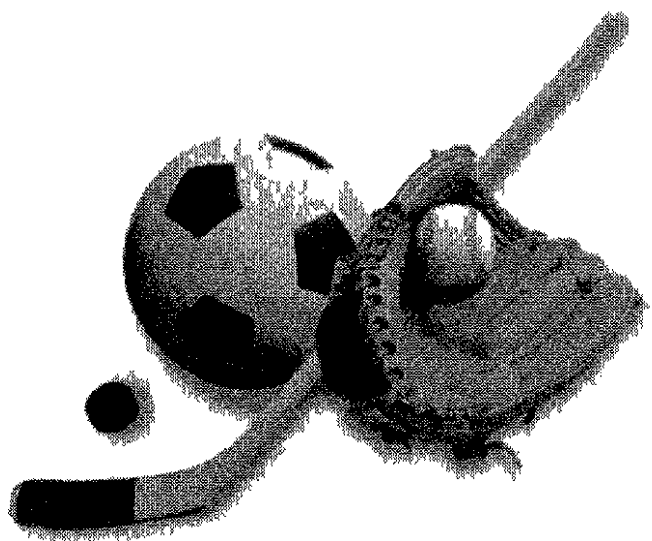
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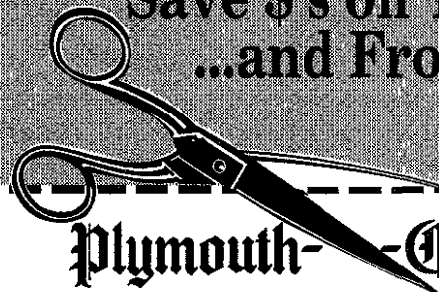
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Learn more about Islam at open house

BY PAUL R PACE
STAFF WRITER

The Muslim communities of Farmington Farmington Hills West Bloomfield, Southfield, Redford, Livonia, Novi and Northville will be holding their third annual open house from 11 a m to 4 p m Saturday, Sept 20, at the Tawheed Center in Farmington Hills

The theme for this year's open house is 'Learn about Islam — Islam, a path of peace and harmony'

Tawheed Center member Sohail Khan said the religion is a culmination and fulfillment of the same basic truths God revealed through His prophets to every person

In other words, he said, it is a way of life symbolized by peace — peace with God, peace within oneself and peace with the creations of God through daily submission to God and a dedication to His guidance

Khan said previous open houses have proven successful

In the past few years we have gotten positive feedback Khan said (Attendees) always say keep doing it It channels communication'

Khan said visitors will have the opportunity to walk through the mosque and be presented with certain teachings of Islam They will also see different arts and crafts, he said 'We will also have the reading of Koran, and it will be translated into English

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Bottle of wine

Twice the Fun a painting by Thomas Arvid will be offered for auction at the Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza on Sunday Sept 21 at the new VistaTech Center at the college 18600 Haggerty (between Six and Seven Mile roads, Ray Friedrich and Chr s Peppo (seated) co owners of Sterling Services in Canton Township donated the painting to the college fund raiser Arvid has achieved national acclaim with his still life compositions of wine and the rituals surrounding its consumption The painting valued at more than \$3 500 will be featured at the live auction which is scheduled to start at approximately 3 30 p m Organizers say the painting is the perfect compliment to the event which features food and wine from nearly 60 eateries and beverage vendors throughout southeast Michigan Tickets are \$50 per person To purchase tickets call the Schoolcraft Development Office at (734) 462 4670

Nephew, uncle in 'wrong place' during Westland robbery

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

Canton resident Kenneth Sherman Littlefield was nicknamed Hondo by his friends and co workers because of his sheer size His stature and tenacity in life couldn't help when he and his nephew Keith Gaddis apparently were in the wrong place at the wrong time at a Westland party store when a robbery gone bad resulted in their shooting deaths last week

As family members and friends face heart wrenching funeral services this week for Littlefield, Gaddis and two other victims killed at the store, they also have to prepare themselves for a Sept 25 court hearing that will replay the worst mass killings in the city's history

Wayne County prosecutors have indicated they will show in court a security camera video that captured much of the Sept 11 horror at Neil's Party Store, on Newburgh north of Ford

The video, described as chillingly brutal by authorities, will be shown by prosecutors to support 12 felony charges including first-degree murder against surviving defendant Leslie Gordon 24, of Detroit said police Sgt David Heater

Trigger man Michael Lamont Schofield 30 also of Detroit shot himself to death following the attack at 11:15 a.m. The robbery was a 10-minute chase starting in Plymouth Township and ending at the Southfield Freeway and Six Mile Road in Detroit where the suspects car crashed Killed during the botched 8 p.m. robbery were James Kuebler 35 of Westland Peras Yousef 29 of Oak Park Littlefield 63 and Gaddis 44, both of Canton

Police described Yousif as a store employee and the other three murder victims as customers who, as Westland Police Chief Daniel Pfannes put it were in the wrong place at the wrong time

He was a tremendous worker He was never late His area was spotless said a co-worker at Keller O Tool Co in Livonia where Littlefield worked for more than 25 years

A 'big burly guy the knick name Hondo, was perfect He looked like a biker He was a tough guy But he was so very gentle the co worker said For Littlefield's friends the killing appears all the more unjust because Hondo was a cancer survivor who was out of work for nine months two years ago in treatment He then survived open heart sur-

gery This is so senseless the company spokeswoman said He was well respected Littlefield had been in Canton about 10 months from Detroit He was a self-employed painter who had just turned 44 on Aug 29

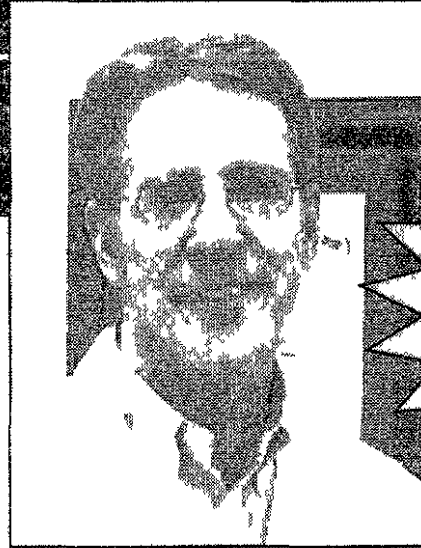
Services for Littlefield a former Livonia resident and tool maker who would have turned 64 next Tuesday will be held 11 a.m. Friday at R.G. and G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia

Survivors include five sisters Shirley Gaddis, Blanche Littlefield, Barbara Custard, Beverly Alexander and Marlene Reynolds two brothers Gordon Littlefield and Wayne Littlefield nieces nephews and cousins

Services for Gaddis will be at the same time as Littlefield's and at the same funeral home Survivors for Gaddis who had moved from Detroit to Canton just four months ago include his mother Shirley Gaddis of Florida a brother Philip Palankas three sisters Shirley Frantz, Paula Fitch and Becky Palankas and many aunts uncles nieces nephews and cousins

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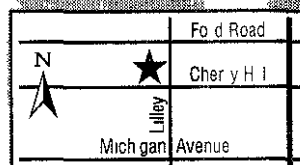
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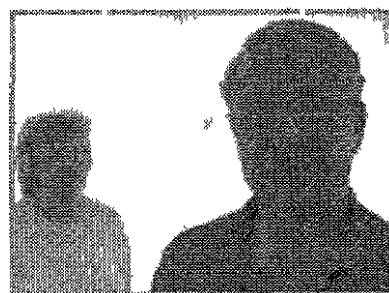
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Former Canton High teacher remembered

Betty DuBois, a 25-year teacher at Plymouth-Canton High School, died Aug. 21. Mrs. DuBois attended and graduated cum laude from Eastern Michigan University with her Bachelor of Sciences degree. She continued there and received her Masters Degree in education in 1982. Betty started her teaching career at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park in 1978. She went on to direct the Plymouth-Canton Kiddie Kampus pre-school as the class objective of her Life Management Skills class for the junior and senior students. She mentored students with compassion, concern and pride in their achievements with many students going on to become friends after entering the workplace.

Mrs. DuBois was nominated by her students and recognized three times by the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park as Staff Member of the Year for creating a warm, caring and challenging environment where students can learn and grow. Under her direction, the pre-school program was recognized by the State of Michigan for its unique partnership of Vocational Education with a Community Education Program. She was very active in Delta Kappa Gamma, a professional sorority dedicated to funding college scholarships to students in the Plymouth-Canton schools who major in education.

She was born in Battle Creek in 1945. She met her husband, Allen DuBois, Jr. in high school. She and Al were attending Kellogg Community College when they were married in 1963. They moved to Ann Arbor in 1964 where their son, Geoffrey Allen was born. While Al attended college, Betty worked in Detroit at Michigan Bell Telephone as a line supervisor prior to her teaching career. As a wife and mother, she loved to cook and sew. She was always finding and mastering new dishes, often being able to develop her own recipes. She made many Halloween costumes and holi-

day dresses for her granddaughters. She sewed many Teddy Bears from loved ones' clothes, several quilts. She also mastered crocheting. She was a group member of "Stitch and Bitch," "Yeps" and "BBB."

Mrs. DuBois loved raising and caring for her airdales. In the last two years, she was constantly comforted and left laughing by her sweet English rotweiler, Sammi. She had a wonderful sense of humor and relied on it in difficult times. When she was first diagnosed with cancer, she and her Yeps friends referred to her chemotherapy treatments as "Kimo" from the Kimo Sabe/Lone Ranger stories. She was certain the hero on the white horse would save her from the disease. The real heroes in white were the doctors and nurses who showed great compassion and care in her progress and treatments. As more testimony of her determination and humor, she wore temporary tattoos around her former hairline during her treatments. She followed that by getting a permanent red tulip tattoo before her hair grew back.

She built a home in Mason to be closer to her son and his family. She loved to help care for her granddaughters and pass on family and personal traditions to them as her legacy.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Allen DuBois, Jr. In addition to numerous friends, she is survived by her son, Geoffrey, daughter-in-law, Penny, granddaughters, Leslie Ann and Steffanie Allyn, all of Mason, sister, Patricia Denny of Kalamazoo, and many cousins, nieces and nephews, and Sammi, her dog. According to her wishes, cremation has taken place and ashes will be scattered in private.

For those wishing to honor her, donations may be made in her memory to Hospice of Lansing, 6035 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911, Southwest Michigan Affiliate of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 2031, Kalamazoo, MI 49003, 2031, Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority, c/o Liz Van Westenburg, 43670 Ryeagate Canton, MI 48187-2233, or, Excellence for Education, Plymouth-Canton Community School District, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, MI 48170.



DuBois

Margaret Griffith

Services for Margaret Griffith, 97, of Canton, were held Sept. 4 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev. Jack Baker officiating. Mrs. Griffith was buried in Acacia Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Griffith was born March 3, 1906, in Bancroft and died Sept. 2 in Canton. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Griffith was preceded in death by her husband, David J. Griffith.

Survivors include niece, Theresa Browne, nephew, George Kazan, sister, Ellen Kazan, and many great-nieces and great-nephews also survive.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Kitchen.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Gervacio S. Bandico

Services for Gervacio Bandico, 75, of Plymouth, were held Sept. 9 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with the Rev. John Sullivan officiating.

Mr. Bandico was born June 19, 1928, in the Philippines and died Sept. 5 in Superior Township. He was an architectural engineer.

Survivors include wife, Marcelina Bandico of Plymouth, daughters, Marlene (Angelito) Viola of Roseville, Margie (Wille) Rivera of Farmington Hills, Maria Marissa (John) Davis of Detroit, Marian (Ronald) Watson Bandico of Southfield, and Gemma (Ernesto) Nicdao, sons, Constantino (Sherry Audes) Bandico and Jose (Raquel Santoyo) Bandico, 23 grandchildren, and sisters, Visitacion Buerno and Edna Ojales.

Arrangements made by Vermeulen Funeral Home.

Ted Williams

Services for Ted Williams, 53, of Plymouth, were held Sept. 10 at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with the Rev. Drex Morton officiating.

Mr. Williams was born Nov. 23, 1949, in Detroit and died Sept. 6 in Wyandotte. He was a tool and die maker for the automotive industry. He was born and raised in Detroit and moved to the Plymouth community 13 years ago from Grayling. He loved drag racing and working on hot rods.

Survivors include wife, Ginger Williams of Plymouth,

sons, Sam and Adam of Plymouth, father, Darrell Williams, siblings, Mike (Debbie) Williams of North Carolina, Pete Williams of Columbus, Ohio, Joe (Cindy) Williams of Wyandotte, Tom Williams of Traverse City, Pat (Joe) Fuernisen of Ocala, Fla., Penny (Ed) Blume of Davenport, Iowa, and Candy (Ray) Woodrow of Romulus, and many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews also survive.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Melissa Ann Timte

Services for Melissa Timte, 21, of Canton Township, were held Sept. 13 at St. John Neumann Catholic Church with the Rev. George Williams officiating. Burial was at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy.

Melissa was born Sept. 8, 1982, in Superior Township and died Sept. 9 in Lansing. She was a lifelong Canton resident. She was a varsity cheerleader at Salem High School, graduating from Salem in the Class of 2000. She was a senior at Michigan State University where her major was child development. She was a life-guard at Sunflower Village pool in Canton.

Survivors include parents, Frank and Jackie Timte of Canton, sister, Michelle (Stephen) Faw of Cincinnati, Ohio, grandmother, Betty Timte, and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends also survive.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Ronald McDonald House Charities, One Kroc Drive, Oak Brook, IL 60523, Attn: Kathy Charlton.

Arrangements made by Schrader-Howell Funeral Home.

Miriam Margaret Prosyniuk

Services for Miriam Prosyniuk, 82, of Canton Township, were held Sept. 16 at L. J. Griffin Funeral Home with the Rev. Leonard Partensky officiating.

Mrs. Prosyniuk was born July 11, 1921, in Rochester, N.Y. and died Sept. 12 at Huron Woods Nursing Home. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Prosyniuk was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Prosyniuk.

Survivors include daughters, Patricia (Truman) McLaughlin, Kathryn (Roy) Muir, Maryann Prosyniuk, and Margaret H. (Ronald)

OBITUARIES

Roosevelt, son, John F. (Colleen) Prosyniuk, and nine grandchildren.

Arrangements made by L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton Chapel.

James Kuebler

Services for Jimmy Kuebler, 35, of Westland, were held Sept. 17 at L. J. Griffin Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Lutheran Church officiating.

Mr. Kuebler was born Aug. 30, 1968, in Farmington and died Sept. 11. He worked as a service technician in the heating and cooling business.

Survivors include wife, Susan Kuebler, parents, John and Linda Cantrell, and brothers, Michael (Penny) Kuebler and Ronald (Darlene) Kuebler.

Arrangements made by L. J. Griffin Funeral Home, Canton Chapel.

LaVerne Melvin Jones

Services for LaVerne Jones, 73, of Plymouth, were held Sept. 16 at St. Kenneth Catholic Church with the Rev. Joseph Malla officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery in Plymouth.

Mr. Jones was born May 11, 1930, in Flint and died Sept. 13 at home surrounded by his family. He is remembered for his ongoing persistence in difficult times, integrity, wonderful dry sense of humor, loved by all, and his unwavering support of his family.

He proudly served in the U.S. Marines during the Korean conflict. He worked for Michigan Bell Telephone as an organizational development specialist for 30 years before his retirement in 1988. He had a great love of nature, flowers, his garden, classical music, steam trains and visits from his eight grandchildren.

Survivors include wife of 47 years, Eleanor Jones of Plymouth, sons, Eric (Mari) Jones of Highland and Douglas (Gail) Jones of Livonia, daughters, Suzanne and Nancy Jones of Ann Arbor, eight grandchildren, sister, Neva Lathan, brother, Neil Jones and his mother's sister, Edna Perkin.

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Marie Meadows

A memorial service for Marie Meadows, 71, of South Lyon, will be held at noon Sunday, Sept. 21 at Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon. Family will begin receiving friends at 11:15 a.m.

Mrs. Meadows was born Oct. 31, 1931, in Bell County, Ky., and died Sept. 12 at home. She was a resident of South Lyon for many years and a member of VFW Post 2502. She enjoyed gardening, canning, sewing and crocheting. Marie will be dearly missed.

Mrs. Meadows was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny Meadows in 1985.

Survivors include children, Joyce (Russ) Lave of Westland, Chet (Anna) Caudill of White Lake, Judy (Wayne) Roberts of Ala., Dottie (David) Deska of Canton, Darlene (Richard) Thurston of Waterford, Scott (Crystal) Lave of South Lyon, one brother, one sister, 14 grandchildren, and 13 great-grandchildren.

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TENNIS OR GOLF ELBOW, ANYONE?

You do not have to play tennis or golf to get tennis elbow or its cousin golfer's elbow. Anyone can experience these conditions if you engage in repetitive movements which tend to weaken the tendons in the elbow area, rendering them prone to tearing. Tennis elbow involves the tendon on the outside of the elbow, while golfer's elbow involves the inside tendon. As a preventer, measure try supporting your forearm on a flat surface while holding a one or two pound weight in that hand. With your palm facing downward slowly extend your wrist. Bring the weight up then bend it back down. Repeat the exercise ten times slowly. Then switch arms. Next do the same exercise with the palm facing up.

Today's healthcare mantra seems to be "Prevention is the best medicine." Know how to care for your body can help you avoid injury altogether in the future or prevent reinjury if you are already in pain. AT HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY located at 650 South Main Street in downtown Plymouth, we are happy to help you care for yourself. We treat a wide variety of conditions to help maximize reduce symptoms, restore the body to its natural function and improve the activities of daily life (ADL). Basic treatment always includes an hour of manual therapy executed by physical therapists and massage therapists. Please call 455-8370 to set up an appointment to speak to a professional.

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Cities of Canton, Northville, Plymouth

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Channel/Network	Old Channel #	New Channel #
The Learning Channel	35	72
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Discover Health	116	126
History International	146	116
Biography	147	115

NEW CHANNELS	
Channel/Network	Digital Channel #
Do It Yourself (DIY)	121
Fine Living	122

TV Demand 1 (ppv) channel 75 is being dropped from the channel lineup.

As always, you can reach a local Comcast customer account executive 24 hours a day at 1-888-COMCAST.

OUR VIEWS

Numbers sell need for school

The numbers tell the story and sell the cause. To build a new Canton school should be an easy and reasonable decision. Canton kids make up 73 percent or 12,605 of the district's 17,500-student population. Compare that to 21 percent or 3,722 in Plymouth Township or 5 percent or 788 in the city of Plymouth. Add to the equation that of the 720 students who attend Central in Plymouth, 428 are from Canton, while only 281 are from the Plymouths. And only 76 of the Central kids walk to school. Nothing is ever that simple, especially emotion. Some parents like their Canton children attending Central. They like its location and, more importantly, the staff. On the other hand, Canton Supervisor Tom Yack has made it clear he would not support a bond proposal without a Canton school. He says Canton parents have long been patient with the school district and their children being bused out of the community.

The need for a new Canton middle school is obvious. Equally so, the district says that for some \$17 million Central can be refurbished to house adult and special education, plus offices. A bond issue certainly should include both plans, regardless of any politics that may build up on either side of each issue.

With a majority of voters in Canton, a bone naturally has to be thrown south of the Plymouths for a multi-million dollar bond proposal to pass. But let's not forget the kids. That's what this bond issue should be about. A new middle school looks good for Canton and is needed. Equally, a refurbished stately middle school is good for Plymouth and the school district. The problem with the suburbs is that few buildings have any type of majestic presence about them. Central Middle School does. And it should be preserved.

Let's let the voters decide what they want for their kids and for the district. Voters know what they are willing to pay for.

Quality education should be top factor

Gov Jennifer Granholm earlier this year signed a bill amending the State Aid Act, eliminating the requirement for a specific number of days of instruction for K-12 students in Michigan, and replacing it with a requirement for 1,098 hours of instruction.

We have no real objection to the requirement and neither does anyone else, as far as we can tell. We do think, however, that far too much non-educational pressure is brought to bear on how those hours of instruction are accomplished.

Then-Gov John Engler a few years ago made it law that no school can be held on the Friday before Labor Day, mandating a long holiday weekend during what tourism industry officials acknowledge is a key spending time for Michigan families.

Such economic factors have long been factored into the equation when school calendars are being filled out. School districts used to start several weeks early, because they knew students were going to miss two weeks in October to help with crops. That was a valid economic reason.

Tourism dollars are a huge piston in the state's economic engine, especially up north, where tourism is the economy.

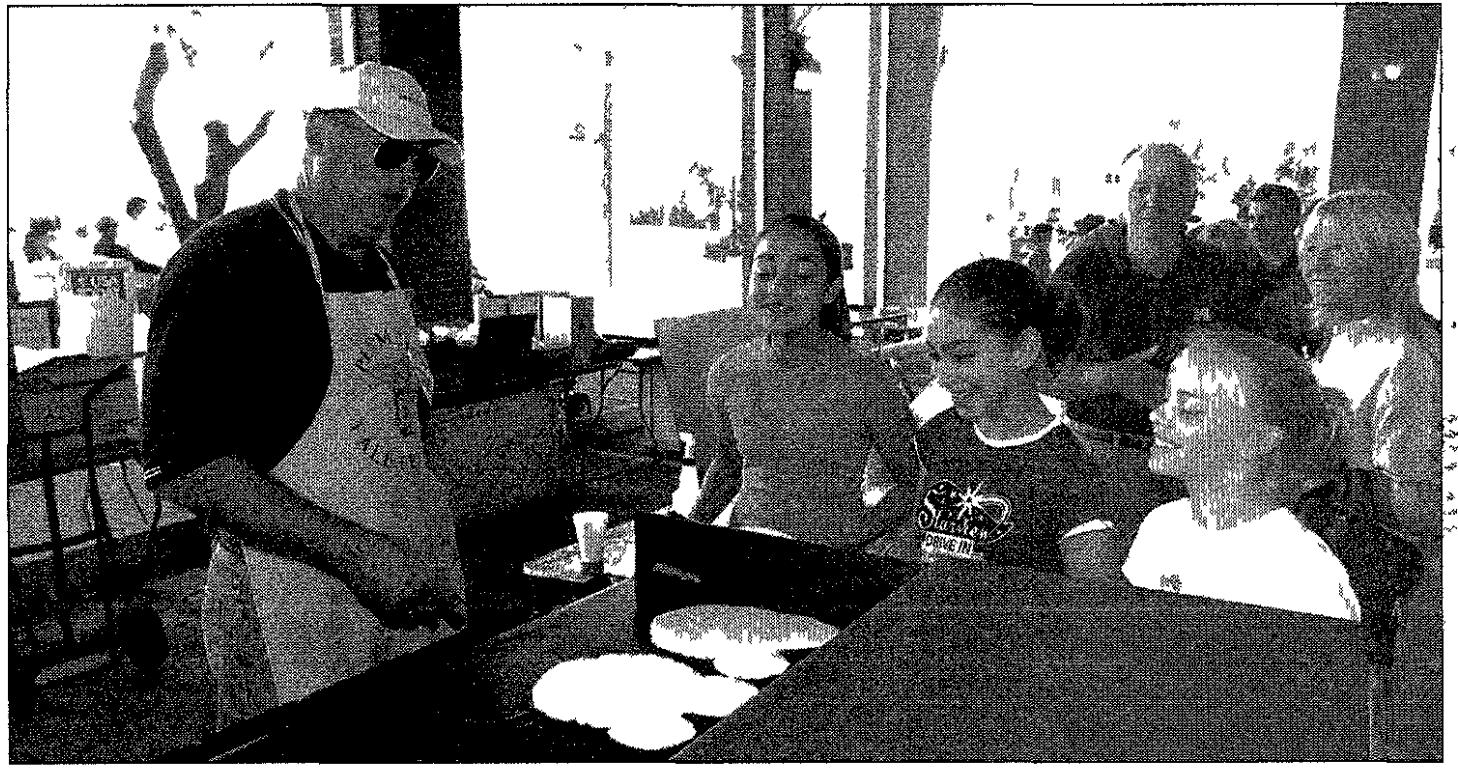
Teacher contracts have become yet another factor in determining the length of the school calendar. Contractually obligated snow days, in-service days and professional training time have all combined to extend school years around the state. It's gotten to the point where the kind of education our children receive is settled around a bargaining table — not in the classroom, where it belongs.

There are solutions to these problems. Instead of negotiating a specific number of "snow days," thereby obligating a district to use them whether the weather calls for them or not, why not simply say teachers will be compensated for snow days, and for any days worked to complete the school year?

Instead of forcing districts to start before Labor Day, and then appeasing the tourism industry by mandating a long Labor Day weekend, why not let local school boards decide what's best for their particular districts?

Putting so much emphasis on tourism dollars and contractual obligations sends the wrong message to our children, who should have no question that the state's priority is a quality education.

The bottom line in the discussion shouldn't be how best to fit all these outside influences into the school year, it should be maximizing the instructional days to provide the greatest possible opportunity for children to learn what we're trying to teach them.



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Plymouth Police Chief Wayne Carroll fires up some Mickey Mouse-shaped pancakes for Kiki Kazi (from left), Eva DeBeliso and Taylor Standish, all 11 and from Plymouth, at the Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast Saturday at the Plymouth Fall Festival. It's one of the many benefits of the civic groups in Plymouth.

LETTERS

Cops commended

As a former member of the law enforcement community, I feel the Plymouth Township Police Department is to be commended for the outstanding effort, as the lead chase agency, in reference to the multiple homicide investigation in Westland.

The 20-mile pursuit of a late model Corvette obviously demanded a Herculean effort in heavy freeway traffic at approximately 8:15 p.m.

The entire Plymouth Township community should be extremely proud of its men and women in blue!

Roger L. Kehrer
Plymouth

Sad and joyous

September is a sad month for the Plymouth community and its fire department, but a joyous month for the Groth and VanVleck families. As the Plymouth community loses two of its most devoted fire personnel, their families are finally getting them.

Larry Groth and Chuck VanVleck have put in 75 years of fire service between the two of them, so this is a much deserved retirement. Congratulations to both of you! We love you very much and are very proud of you for all that you have done for the Plymouth Community.

So whether you are playing with your grandchildren, fishing or chasing tornadoes have fun. You deserve it!

Sandy Groth, Stephanie Groth and Barb VanVleck
Plymouth

Hockey thanks

On behalf of the players, parents and coaches of the boys Canton, Salem and Plymouth high school hockey teams, we would like to thank those that made our recent golf outing a huge success. The high schools' hockey program is 100 percent pay-to-play. The players pay about half and the other half is raised by various fund raisers, the golf outing being the largest.

We had great support from the community businesses in sponsoring holes with cash donations and offering gifts and gift certificates for our silent auction. Only with the support of the community can the high schools continue to have varsity hockey.

Again, thank you to all who supported us and everyone who worked so hard to make the golf outing a success.

Chris Wolf
Plymouth

Bush is beatable

George W. Bush has not been a strong president. He surrendered school choice to Teddy Kennedy, campaign finance reform to John McCain, free trade to steel tariffs, judicial nominees to threats of Democratic filibuster, and airport security to federalized agents who search grandmothers for box cutters.

Tax cuts would create more jobs if paying off non-taxpayers were not included in the bill. Health care may destroy healthcare and bankrupt the treasury. Afghanistan and Iraq are less fearful, but caving in to State Department and United Nations policies only encourages terrorists. The "road map" demanding Israeli concessions for Mideast peace was a fiasco. Israel has lived with terrorism for 55 years and has much better maps.

Bush is certainly beatable for re-election. However, all of the current candidates are worse.

Hank Borgman
Farmington

The good fight

We didn't find weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, and we didn't find Saddam Hussein. Hence, neither exists.

The United States troops liberated the people of Iraq. Countries in the world have noted the event. It is probably true that America's troop movements in Iraq, gaining freedom for the enslaved, has whetted the appetites of many others wishing for a free existence.

It should be true that the likes of Iran, North Korea and even China and Russia will take pause because of the States' freeing of the Iraqis. Knowing the the States will do what needs to be done to fight terrorism and free the people should give Iran and North Korea pause, second and third thoughts, about any future belligerences that might be entertained.

That the States will use its power and courage to fight terrorism and attempt the elimination of weapons of mass destruction of states who might like to play war should be seen as proof of America's will and insistence that nuclear and biological sorties in this land and that land will not be attempted without response from the Red, White, and Blue.

And so the Iraqi experience can have more benefits than might have first met the eye. Any deterrent and preclusion of future terrorist takeovers is a big plus. The United States has to be the leader in the good fight.

Neil Goodbred
Livonia

Supports circus animals

I'm writing to you to support the Ringling show and their use of live animals. I know there are those that disagree with the use of performing animals, I just do not agree with them.

The Ringling show and many others for that matter go above the letter of the many animal rights laws to ensure the health and well being of their animal partners.

Are you aware that Ringling has their own vets and that medical care is available around the clock to the animals?

I would also like your readers to know it is through the efforts of Ringling and other showmen that our animal friends are protected from extinction. In many parts of the world today, the animals are losing their habitat.

Were it not for the actions of the Ringling Show and others, it would not be long before our animal friends would go extinct, and extinct is forever!

I have a special advantage in that I have been privileged to know many show folk and their animal companions up close and personal, and I can testify that they are well cared for and loved.

I can tell you about how mischievous an elephant can be. I can tell you about what a thrill it is to get a kiss from a lion, and how wonderful it is to be able to have these experiences.

Have you ever seen a baby lion cub? They play with bowling balls and ask for attention like a house pet. These magnificent creatures deserve our protection, and it is the world of the circus that has the biggest influence on their well being and on our future ability to love and appreciate them.

James F. Frobe
Westland

Don't touch Head Start

Taking Head Start out of the Federal Government and placing its future and

livelihood into the hands of the individual states is a terrible idea, unless of course you're either Mr. Knollenberg, Mr. McCotter or Mr. Rogers.

These three Republican Congressmen voted to make Head Start a state-run program in eight financially strapped states. This long-time running, successful and highly essential educational tool is, or at least is supposed to be a federal priority.

However, in these eight states, or all 50 for that matter, where they are already grappling with a recent slew of unfunded federal mandates, the Head Start program will most likely not land high on their totem polls, will fail to receive the much needed continued attention and support it deserves, and will eventually be phased out.

Coupled with the Republican-generated and backed No Child Left Behind debacle, the already inferior sub-collegiate American educational system is a few more 'Bushian' slips away from being nothing more than a pre-K through 12 national daycare institution.

Ethan Perkins
Southfield

A wakeup call

It's all second-guessing. Gathering a few emergency supplies each payday and gashing them away. Water, propane, can goods and cereals, all tucked away in a clean, dry place. It seems reminiscent of the old bomb shelter days. The major power outage was not the work of terrorists and yet the impact was a good wakeup call for everyone caught unprepared.

It was only a hiccup and yet the result sent hundreds of folks in search of an open gas station. Hotels that had power were booked solid. Cell phone towers went out and clean drinking water became everyone's focus.

Emergency services were spread thin and this was only a glitch within our own system.

I don't expect we'll be able to rely on our government to bail us out should a serious disruption hit our community.

It is now, in the quiet, calm of day that we must learn and prepare to be self-sufficient. Three old Band-Aids does not constitute a first-aid kit.

Look on the bright side, if the bad guys never show up, we've still got tornadoes.

Harvey Sarkisian
Independence Township

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— Rick DeBruyne of Johnson Controls, on this year's United Way campaign

'Flexible manufacturing' key to state's economy

In last week's column, I pointed out it was time the politicians realized just how much pain and agony is being caused by the evaporation of American manufacturing. And I said I'd suggest some remedies for this serious economic disease.

One cure is simple: protectionism, plain and simple. Undo NAFTA and muffle the "giant sucking sound" of American jobs exported abroad. Set up tariff and trade barriers against foreign manufactured goods. Argue that all American manufacturing needs is a breathing spell while labor costs in countries like China and India catch up with our own domestic wages, thereby setting up a level playing field.

All this has a certain naive, nationalistic appeal. And there is some economic rationale behind it. Look, for example, at what has happened in just a few years to wages in Mexico and Korea, formerly ultra low-wage competitors. The jobs that once moved there are now migrating to China and India,

where wages are even lower. And sooner or later even the big global companies are going to run out of places where wages are lower than anywhere else, at which point they might discover the merit of moving manufacturing back to America.

Sounds good? Maybe. But consider the consequences. Likely zero growth for the world economy, increased costs of goods for the American consumer, certainly a trade war and legal attacks from the World Trade Organization, outrage from "economically literate" elites and big companies. Won't ever happen, I'd guess.

Another possibility is to face the fact that as much as 75 percent of the job loss in manufacturing is the result of astounding increases in factory productivity and only 25 percent because jobs are being exported to low-wage countries. Manufacturing jobs represented 40 percent of all U.S. jobs in 1950, but only 15 percent in 2000 and, I suspect, will be something like 10 percent in 2025. But the amount, variety and quality of goods manufactured in the U.S. keeps going up because steadily rising productivity enables fewer workers to produce more and more.

The analogy here, of course, is farming. In 1900, something like 40 percent of U.S. jobs were on the farm, less than 15 percent in 1950 and barely 2 percent in 2000. But the U.S. agricultural sector produces far, far more farm products than it did in 1900, again because of

enormous productivity increases.

So the policy consequence of this chain of reasoning seems something like, 'Kick back, relax. All this is inevitable. People who used to work in manufacturing jobs will find something else to do (at, quite possibly, much lower wages and benefits). And U.S. consumers will continue to enjoy a vast range of high-quality, cheap goods as a result.' No wonder economics is called "the dismal science."

Another approach is suggested by what happened right here in Michigan when then-Lansing Mayor David Hollister (now state economic czar for the Granholm administration) cut a deal with General Motors and the UAW to build the new Grand River auto plant in Lansing. The idea was to negotiate relaxed work rules with the union, design a highly automated manufacturing plant and get some tax breaks for the city.

It worked. According to David Cole, president of the Center for Automotive Research, the Grand River plant can produce up to five separate car models based on one vehicle platform, which keeps the plant running at high capacity with low labor and capital costs per unit of output. And GM plans to take the next step at the plant now being built in Delta Township, near Lansing, where three different platforms can generate a multitude of models. Such manufacturing facilities that are lean, economical and agile. They may not employ as many workers as the old assembly lines used to, but they get terrific productivity that justifies paying big salaries for the workers that are left.

The catch phrase here is "flexible manufacturing," which means a system that can respond quickly to changes in consumer demand and even make automobiles in response to orders from individual customers. The folks who make Levi jeans, for example, take individually sized and customized orders from people over the Internet and custom-manufacture jeans to fit even the oddest shapes.

This is not easy. It takes a highly-trained work force, great flexibility in work rules, good relations between labor and management. But it might just be one route to a good future for our slimmed-down but prosperous manufacturing base in Michigan.

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Phil Power

Plymouth yet to get park concept

So Plymouth High School has been open for a full year and what has it learned? Apparently nothing, as it still marches to the beat of its own drum.

When I was a freshman at the Park in 1999, teachers and counselors preached one thing about the Park more than anything else, that they were one. It wasn't Canton High School and Salem High School, but P-CEP — the educational park. There was one set of rules, the Park rules, that applied to both Salem and Canton. If it wasn't allowed in one building, then it wasn't allowed anywhere. So as my senior year started with the opening of a third high school, we had no reason to believe that this unity would change.

Enter Dr. Michael Bee and Plymouth High School, along with a whole new set of rules specific to one building. No longer did we have the Park rules. Oh, they still remained, but apparently they only applied to Salem and Canton in keeping with the Park atmosphere. Plymouth had some of the same rules, but many of its own.

The first rule, the locking of doors, was quite noticeable even before students were able to enter the schools. With only 10 minutes to pass between buildings, students take every shortcut available to them.

Walking to the door nearest to your class is one of them. I cannot tell you how much time and headaches I would have saved if I could have walked through the doors of A Pod to my sixth-hour class. Instead I had to brave the logjam of students both trying to enter and exit Plymouth through one set of doors.

When asked why they leave only two sets of doors open for students, Plymouth replied with, "It's for the students' safety." Now using this logic one can conclude that Plymouth is not as safe as its cross-creek friends Canton and Salem, as both schools leave all doors unlocked to students.

Another rule specific to Plymouth is the "no eating or drinking" rule. But you cannot walk around a corner in that school without passing both pop and vending machines. One privilege P-CEP students had was the ability to eat or drink in class. It was nice to actually be able to consume the products we had just purchased from the vending machines during the previous passing time. However, in a move to keep Plymouth's floor just as white as the day it was installed, this privilege was revoked, apparently forever.

One last major rule change was the inability to move freely between schools during the lunch periods. This was another special quality about P-CEP. Where you could eat at Salem, then move on over to Canton to visit with friends, then come on back. However with Plymouth, you were basically held up in the lunchroom until the end of the lunch period, frustrating students trying to visit with friends.

These were just a few of the special rules creat-

ed just for Plymouth. You may ask which ones of these apply to Salem or Canton? Well, that's a simple answer to give. It's none. I give credit to both Salem and Canton for sticking with the "old" Park rules. No longer can a student know just the Park rules, but now, must also know Plymouth's set of rules. Which leads to the question, is it still P-CEP? Or has it become the Park plus Plymouth?

The best quality about P-CEP is that it prepares students for college and let me tell you, it does this adamantly. During my orientation at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, I heard many freshmen commenting on how big the campus is. While I found myself thinking, "This is it? This isn't much bigger than my high school?"

Yes, my high school, singular. For I don't think of the schools at P-CEP as individuals, but as one. I just didn't graduate from Salem High School, as my diploma says, but from Canton and yes, even Plymouth as well. I don't consider them as separate schools, but as different buildings on my campus. And with Plymouth off doing its own thing, I fear that P-CEP may be losing this.

I can almost see it now in the not too distant future that students would no longer pass between schools, but stay in their home school. No longer would they have the opportunity to have classes with friends from other schools, or even have the ability to meet new people who just happen to attend the school across the creek. I can see it now. No longer will it be a student body of 5,000 kids, but three separate student bodies attending three separate schools, and even with three separate proms!

So who is to blame for the almost certain separation of P-CEP? Well, it's easy to make a case for Bee himself, but I don't consider him a bad principal, more like a fish out of water. I'm sure he would be a great principal of a high school if he were just that, the head of one school. But what I feel he has yet to realize is that he isn't. He is only the principal of one-third of P-CEP. So, if it's not totally Bee's fault, who is to blame? Well, I place blame on the committee who hired him. They obviously hired a person who was not familiar with the park concept what so ever, and who is, so far, unwilling to grasp its concept and purpose.

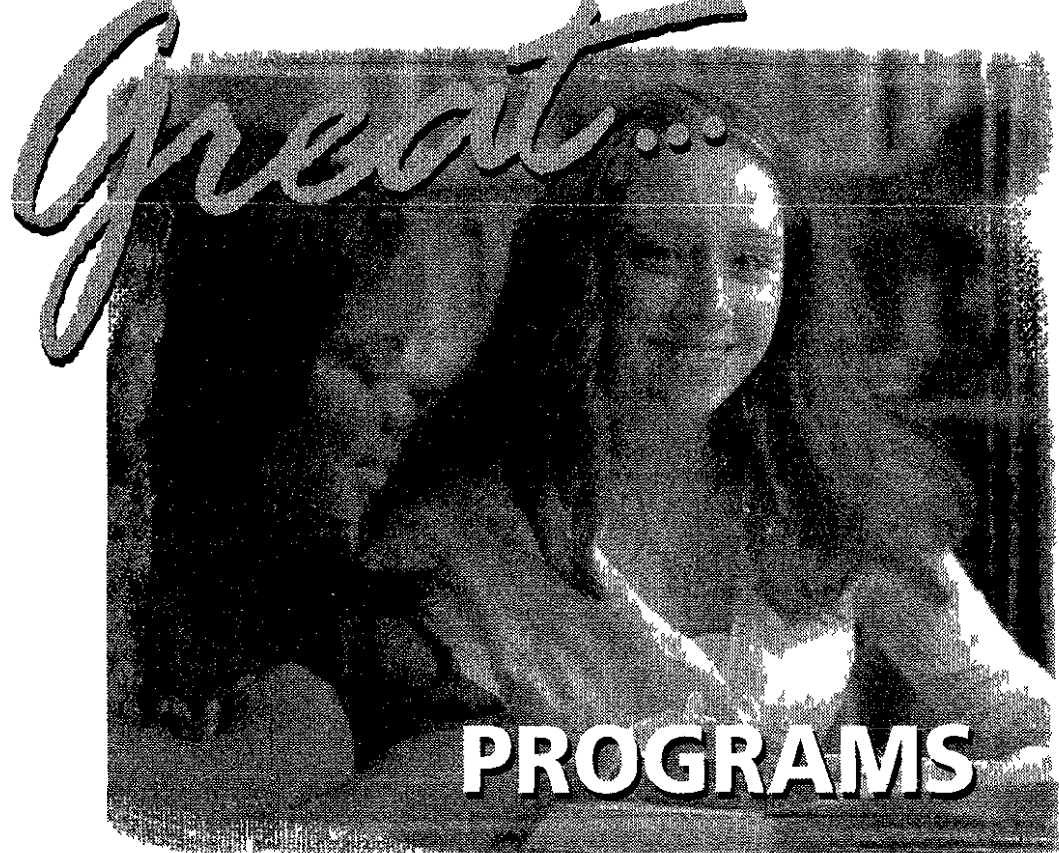
P-CEP is the best high school in the state, possibly the country, at preparing students for the transition to the bigger college campus. I have talked to many of my friends who are attending schools this fall, which are bigger than Dearborn's, and every one of them has said they don't feel overwhelmed by the size of their new campus. We need to keep P-CEP the way it was one Park, with one set of rules throughout the campus. This is what it means to be a campus. Instead, in the minds of many P-CEP students, both old and present, you now have two separate schools, the Park and Plymouth. I just hope Plymouth catches on before it's too late.

Tony Bolton is a Canton resident and recent P-CEP graduate.



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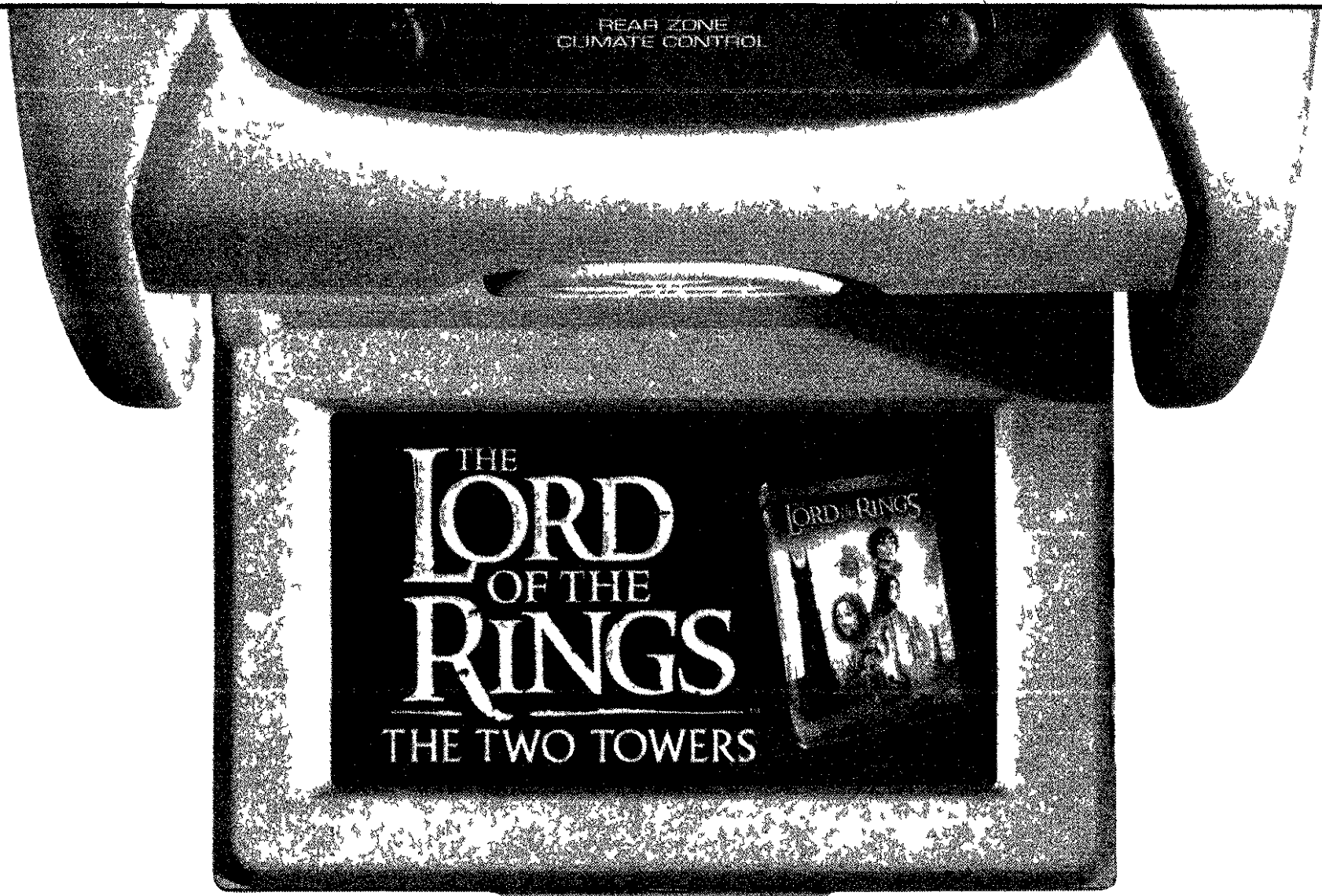
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Sidelines

■ Captain honored

John Moylan a senior at Salem HS and co captain of the Canton Warriors lacrosse team was named the weekly winner of the Southeast Michigan McDonald's and WXYZ Channel 7 High School Scholar Athlete Award on Sept 6

An honor roll student Moylan was chosen for his dedication and commitment to school and athletics as well as any outside activities he's involved in including the recently organized Meals on Wheels program he produced for a school project

Every scholar athlete award winner is introduced during Channel 7's 11 p.m. Action News on Saturday then interviewed on Sunday during Sports Update

Winners also receive a \$250 donation from McDonald's for their school's athletic program two tickets to a sports/entertainment event and a certificate

Anyone can nominate a student athlete on the WXYZ Channel website (www.detroit.com)

■ Nationals next

The AttackHers a Canton based soccer team placed third in the U11 division at the local round of the 3v3 Got Milk Soccer Shootout They will now travel to Orlando Fla. in January for the National Tournament

Team members are Andrea Jenkins Lindsey Newton Tracy Rymph Megan Staub and Leslie Weisz They are coached by Rob Newton and Scott Weisz

■ Lions stopped

The Canton Lions varsity football team fell to 11-1 following a 20-14 loss to the defending Super Bowl champion Redford Rangers Sunday The Rangers scored the decisive touchdown late in the third quarter on a punt return

Canton scored on a 75 yard punt return by Chris Fischer and a 65 yard fourth down run by Brandt Thomas Defensively the Lions were paced by Fischer (interception) Dustin Esper Justin Scott (fumble recovery) and Joe Bactor (fumble recovery)

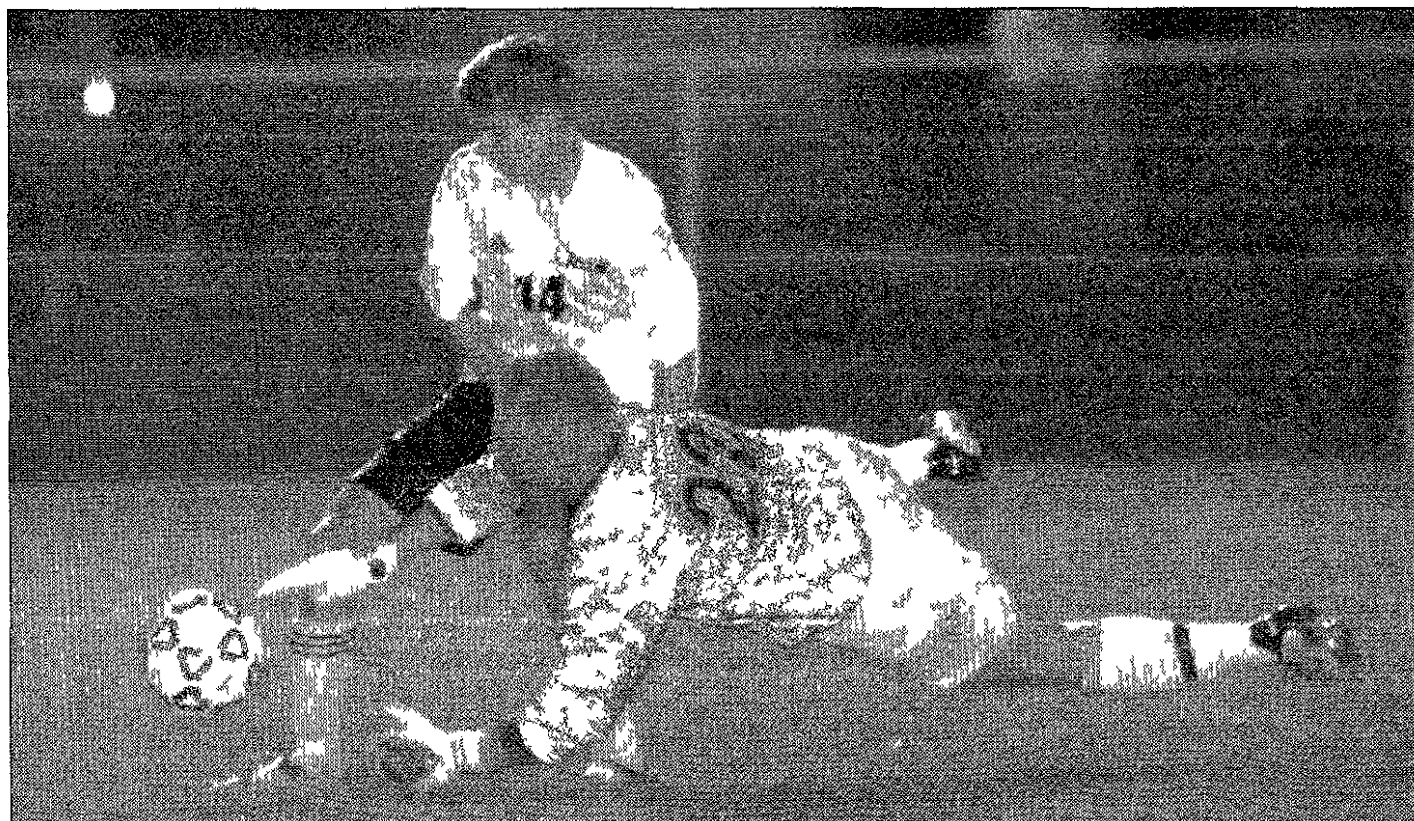
Spurred by the hard running of Nick Wright the Lions junior varsity squad improved to 2-0 with a 34-26 victory over the Rangers Wright Myron Puryear and Chris Stewart scored TDs for the winners

The freshmen Lions thumped the Rangers 52-32 After the Rangers grabbed a brief lead in the third quarter the Lions roared back with a 26-0 run to clinch the win Miles Clifton had a strong game scoring on a kickoff return and an interception Adam Payne ran for a TD and threw a TD pass

■ Swim coaches

Attention all high school girls swim coaches Greg Phill coach at Livonia Stevenson will be compiling the Observer's Best Girls Swim Times for this season with the first publication date slated for Sept 25

All Observer area coaches are asked to contact Phill with their best times via email at gphill5269@aol.com



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's David Hall just pushes the ball past Stevenson keeper Michael Maciolek in the second half, resulting in the game winning goal

Salem stuns Stevenson

BY C. J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

The year changes, the players are different, but the result is almost always the same

When Salem and Livonia Stevenson tangle in soccer it's guaranteed to be an exceptionally played match with an outcome that is rarely decided until the clock registers all zeroes

Wednesday night's game, played at Salem, fit neatly into that description The Spartans scored first, less than 12 minutes into the match, but the Rocks responded with the tying goal 10 minutes later and the game-winner just over four minutes into the second half to gain a 2-1 triumph

It was for all intents and purposes a replay of last year's game Salem won that match 2-1 as well then edged

Stevenson in a shootout in the state regional final

And as it has since the beginning of the Western Lakes Activities Association, this match most certainly will determine the WLAAs Lakes Division winner

The Rocks are 5-3-3 overall, 1-0 in the division, Stevenson is 6-1 overall, 0-1 in the division

Like last year, the Spartans came into Wednesday's match ranked in the state's top five, while Salem was unranked And like last year, the Rocks handed Stevenson its first loss of the season

Overall, we really came to play tonight," said Salem coach Ed McCarthy We played hard and we played smart I was really proud of our effort tonight

While McCarthy lauded his team's performance, calling it the best of the season Stevenson coach Lars Richters was not particularly pleased with his team's

execution "In terms of 80 minutes of play, you can't beat a team the caliber of Salem unless you play your best stuff, Richters said Late in the game we did what a desperate team does, we played with that urgency

But we needed everyone to step up and have their best game

The game-winning goal came off the foot, or rather shin, of Salem's David Hall Trying to pressure the Stevenson defense just outside the net, Hall deflected a pass intended for Spartan keeper Michael Maciolek The altered direction left Maciolek frantically diving for the ball, getting a hand on it but unable to prevent it from going in the goal

Eric Vanston received an assist on the goal, scored with 35:40 left in the match Twice after that, the Spartans put the

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Rebuilt but still strong

Whalers seeking a 6th division crown

BY C. J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

Count 'em — 186 goals That's what the Plymouth Whalers must replace this season, since three of their top four scorers from last season are currently in NHL camps and will not return Chad LaRose (61 goals) is with Carolina, Karl Stewart (35 goals) is with Atlanta and Chris Thorburn (30 goals) is with Atlanta

PREVIEW

So the question is, how do they manage it and still make a run at yet another Ontario Hockey League West Division title? The Whalers have won the last five

The rest of the league apparently doesn't believe they can do it The London Knights, Sarnia Sting and Kitchener Rangers are all expected to be better than Plymouth this season

But then again, the Whalers were supposed to be also-rans last season after losing five of their top seven scorers from the previous year, and they posted a 43-14-9-2 record, reaching the OHL Western Conference finals before losing to eventual OHL and Memorial Cup champion Kitchener

"I don't mind it," said Canton native James Wisniewski, now entering his fourth season with the Whalers "I'd rather be the underdog"

Several players and members of the organization share that sentiment Still, it's a lot of scoring to replace, although team coach/general manager Mike Vellucci says this year isn't all that different than those in the past

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, B3

Rocks have top-level talent, but Stevenson still the best

BY C. J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

The goal remains the same for Salem's girls swim team and their coach, Chuck Olson beat Livonia Stevenson

"That's always the goal, Olson said after the Spartans collected their 13th straight Western Lakes Activities Association Relays championship last Saturday They'll be chasing their 13th consecutive WLAAs title in a couple of months

Are the Rocks capable of derauling the Stevenson express? It would be difficult, considering their losses from a year ago Jenny Crabill, Rachel Underhill, Cammi Carnes, Nicole Genrich and Jillian Haydon, to name a few

But there is much to look forward to for

SALEM OUTLOOK

Salem At the top of the list is the return of Kelsey Lincoln for her sophomore season and Amy Mertens, an extremely talented senior who swam for Salem as a freshman before moving to Ohio for her sophomore year Her family moved back here when she became a junior, but Mertens chose to continue to swim for her club team in Ohio

Mertens and Lincoln are good quality swimmers, as good as anyone in the league," Olson said And (Heather) Michaelson is just a bit behind them

Mertens showed just how good she can be by easily surpassing the state qualifying

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Salem's Katie Truesdell swims her leg of Salem's 200 yard backstroke relay which placed fourth at Saturday's WLAAs Relays meet

Chiefs keep positive attitude despite some notable losses

BY C. J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

A year ago, Canton finished fourth at the Western Lakes Activities Association swim finals, behind perennial champ Livonia Stevenson, Salem and Northville

Catching any of those three may prove to be a difficult task, especially considering the losses endured by the Chiefs Gone are Alex Derian-Toth, Jamie Bielak, Katie Bielak and Natalie McBaun, who have graduated

Also missing from the lineup are two girls who would have been sophomores, Alyssa Vermulen and Emma King King's absence was expected raised in England, her family moved back there before last season's state finals, for which she had qualified

Vermulen's loss, on the other hand, was not expected A promising talent, she struggled last year with injuries Then a month

before school started this year, she suffered a fractured neck in a jet ski accident Her return to the lineup this season is doubtful

Another swimmer coach Yvonne Lynn is counting on is Ashley McClellan, who was expected to have an impact in the distance freestyle events However, McClellan is recovering from a rotator cuff injury that will sideline her for three weeks

Still, don't tell any of the Chiefs what they can't do Their outlook, according to Lynn, remains positive

Last Saturday's WLAAs Relays at Salem is a case in point Canton finished fourth, as it did the previous year, but Lynn was impressed "Our finish was the same, but our

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CANTON OUTLOOK

Spartans reign in Relays

BY C. J. RISAK
STAFF WRITER

What a surprise The official opener to the Western Lakes Activities Association swim season, the WLAAs Relays, was Saturday at Salem HS and the winner was Livonia Stevenson, once again

In fact, the standings from 2002 didn't change at all, except for the addition of the three Walled Lake schools this year Stevenson led with 282 points, with Northville second (243), Salem third (201), Canton fourth (182) and Livonia Churchill fifth (178) See results

The Spartans have won 13 straight WLAAs Relays, even though their coach, Greg Phill, insists the event really means nothing to him

"We swam about the same as last

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year," Phill said "We won six relays last year and we won seven this year

But could anything be gained, about your own team or the league competition, from this meet?

"I don't think you do," Phill said "In my opinion, you don't This meet takes a little depth, and obviously we have more than the rest of the league

"But it doesn't mean anything Nothing means anything to me until the conference meet"

If Salem coach Chuck Olson's assessment is accurate, then the Spartans should be in good shape "This (relays meet) is usually a pretty good indicator" of how the league

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ball in the net behind Salem keeper Tom Huls, only to have both goals waved off. On the first, the official called a foul on the Stevenson player, on the second, he ruled the ball did not cross the goal line.

The Spartans were further handicapped when first Richters received a yellow card for arguing a ruling. Then Keith Sied got a red card for unsportsmanlike conduct with 7:26 to play. Sied was carded for disagreeing with the official's call on the second wave-off of a Stevenson goal and Richters — with one caution already (a second is an automatic red card) — could not argue.

The match started with a Salem burst. The Rocks dominated the first 10 minutes of the game, with the Spartans unable to even get a good shot on goal. But when a foul was called on Salem just outside its penalty area, Stevenson had its chance

Nikolas Dordeski took the direct kick from about 22 yards out, and it was near-perfect. Huls dove and managed to deflect the ball off the crossbar, but Robert Merritt was there for the Spartans to knock it into the net, giving them a 1-0 lead 11:27 into the match.

"We had a great start to the game, but Dordeski got a great strike on the ball," said McCarthy.

The Rocks continued to pressure and, with 17:53 to play, Chris Conhsk sent a through ball between Spartan defenders to Sean Williams, who ran onto it and outran the pursuit, firing a shot that Maciolek got a hand on but could not stop. The game was tied at 1-1.

"Getting that goal rewarded us for all the good plays we had to that point," McCarthy said. "If we'd gone into the half down a goal, I don't know what might have happened."

What might have happened that's a statement that can be applied to this matchup, year in and year out.

Shamrocks stump all 3 prognosticators

Just remember, Redford Catholic Central and Detroit DePorres could play again, the ninth week of the season, in the Catholic League football championship game at the Pontiac Silverdome.

Forget the No. 1 Super 10 ranking, the USA Today national ranking, or any other ranking. CC, a shocking 33-27 loser to DePorres Saturday night at Hamtramck's Keyworth Stadium, always seems to bounce back.

But the road is much more slippery now, especially since CC is not invincible and may not have locked up home field advantage — at least for now — for the first three rounds of the state playoffs.

Last year the Shamrocks lost to Orchard Lake St. Mary during the regular season and then ran the table en route to its second consecutive Division I state title.

That scenario could easily repeat itself.

As far as the rest of Observerland's bunch, there are some big games on the horizon starting with a slew of intriguing Friday matchups including a Metro Conference showdown featuring Macomb Lutheran North at Livonia Clarenceville in a battle of unbeatens, a Mega Conference Blue Division encounter between Trenton and Redford Thurston, along with Walled Lake Western at Canton in the Western Lakes.



Prep grid picks

Brad Emons

There are also some other games worth noting including Wayne Memorial at Livonia Franklin, Westland John Glenn at Livonia Churchill, and Redford St. Katharine Drexel/Bishop Borgess vs. Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard.

As far as the prediction race, yours truly has regained the lead, back in his familiar spot after going 9-3 last week for a 26-10 overall mark.

Redford-Garden City sports editor Paul Beaudry went 7-5, while Plymouth-Canton sports editor C.J. Risak was 6-6. Beaudry is one game off the pace at 25-11, while Risak stands at 24-12. Here is a look at this weekend's games.

out the season by losing to two tough teams Dearborn Fordson and Allen Park. A win by GC could put the Cougars in good position in the Mega White. PICKS: Garden City - Risak, Romulus - Emons, Beaudry.

W.L. Western (2-1 1) at Canton (3 0 2 0). Western is coming off a 21-20 overtime win over Livonia Stevenson hitting a fourth and 9 pass for the victory. Canton a 34-21 over Wayne appears to be the class of the Western Lakes. But the Chiefs' defense has yielded some yardage on the ground. PICKS: Canton - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

John Glenn (2 1 1) at Churchill (2 1 1). The loser is probably out of the WLLA race. Glenn continues to rely on the legs of senior tailback Dan Smitherman, but quarterback Jon McCahill hit 11 of 14 passes in a 21-10 win over Franklin. Churchill's threat on the ground is Jon Bunzeluk. This could be the Chargers' best chance in many years to beat Glenn. PICKS: John Glenn - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

Wayne (2 1 2 1) at Franklin (1 2 1 2). Franklin got its only win last year against Wayne 7-0. The much-improved Zebras will rely on T.J. Dillard for offense while the Patriots will try and eliminate mistakes after losing to Glenn. PICKS: Wayne - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

Salem (1 2, 0 2) at Stevenson (1 2 1 2). The Spartans went toe to toe with Walled Lake Western before losing 21-20 in OT. Salem giving up 242 yards in the air is coming off a 27-20 loss to Northville. PICKS: Stevenson - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

Trenton (2 1 2 0) at Red Thurston (3-0 2-0). For all intents and purposes this is for the Mega Conference Blue Division title. Thurston was a 41-19 winner last week over River Rouge as halfback Darran Matthews and fullback Chase Waterstradt each rushed for over 100 yards. Trenton which knocked Thurston out of the playoffs last year is led by quarterback Casey Chamberlain who threw for 231 yards in a 41-14 win last week over Dearborn Heights Crestwood. PICKS: Thurston - Emons, Trenton - Beaudry, Risak.

Livonia North (3 0 3 0) at Clarenceville (3 0 3 0). This is THE GAME in the Metro Conference with the winner more than likely going on to win it. Clarenceville is coming off a hard fought 26-20 win over Harper Woods while North waited past lowly Hamtramck.

37-0 Senior tailback Lance Weber is the Mustangs' top offensive threat while Clarenceville counters with the backfield duo of Jeff Foretti and Bruno Shkreli. PICKS: Clarenceville - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

SATURDAY GAMES
Hamtramck (0 3 0 3) at Luth. Westland (1 2 1 1) 1 p.m. Back to smashmouth three yards and cloud of dust football last week for Lutheran High Westland which picked up its first victory of the year against Harper Woods Lutheran East 14-13. Hamtramck was picked last in the Metro and has done little to dispel that notion. The Cosmos have not won since the final game of the 1999 season. PICKS: Lutheran Westland - Emons, Risak, Beaudry.

A.A. Gabriel Richard (2-1, 1 0) vs. St. Katharine Drexel/Bishop Borgess (2 1 1 0) 7 p.m. (at Hilbert Jr. High). Kenny Smith had a Jamal Lewis type night with 301 yards on 31 carries as the Aggies upended previously unbeaten Detroit Urban Lutheran 36-24. Richard winless last season is coming off a 20-0 win over Allen Park Cabrini as both Mike Fleming and Paul Joseph combined for over 200 yards rushing. The winner should emerge victorious in the Catholic League's D Bracket. PICKS: St. Kate - Risak, Richard - Emons, Beaudry.

SUNDAY GAME
Redford CC (2-1 0 0) vs. Birm. Brother Rice (2 1 0 0) 1 p.m. (at Pontiac Wisner Stadium). The Old Boys Bowl matchup is back. Believe it or not despite CC's shocking 33-27 loss to Detroit DePorres the sky is not falling. The Shamrocks seem to bounce back and go on to make a strong state playoff run even after losing a regular season game. Rice a 42-0 winner last week over Madison Heights Bishop Foley needs a career performance from quarterback Doug Pickens and establish a running game to beat the Shamrocks. CC's defense was befuddled last week by DePorres' quarterback Carlos Simpson who had 259 yards total offense. PICKS: CC - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

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4th-quarter rally lifts DePorres past CC

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

Forget the ranking, forget the hype, forget the mystique, forget the size.

Detroit DePorres did just that Saturday afternoon, going toe to toe with Catholic Central and coming away with a 33-27 win.

We hit a very good football team. CC coach Tom Mach said they did a good job of execution and have good athletes who are hard to catch. We didn't play

FRIDAY'S GAMES
(all at 7 p.m. unless noted)

Redford Union (2 1 2 1) at Highland Park (2-1 2 1). The Polar Bears picked to win the Mega Conference's Gold Division and a play-off qualifier last year are coming off a 14-6 loss to Taylor Kennedy. RU rushed for 215 yards in a 33-18 triumph over Inkster. The winner stays in the Mega Gold hunt the loser is out. PICKS: Highland Park - Emons, Beaudry, Risak.

Romulus (0 3 0 1) at Garden City (1 2 1 0). The Cougars posted their first win of the year 32-20 over Lincoln Park by gaining 289 yards on the ground. Romulus is coming off a 20-14 loss to Southgate. The Eagles started

terribly poor, but not our best. They were a good football team that had a great day.

The Eagles, the top-ranked team in Division 8, stayed right with its Division 1 counterpart as it gained 350 yards (190 rushing, 160 passing) to CC's 357 (223-134).

But DePorres (3 0) came through with three fourth-quarter touchdowns, which spelled the difference in the final score.

With CC (2-1) up 21-13 heading into the fourth, the Eagles drove 80 yards in six plays as Carlos Simpson hit Carl Grimes on an 18-yard TD pass to cut the lead to 21-19. After holding CC on the next series, the Eagles took the lead with Daryl Graham capping a 58-yard, seven-play drive on a 6-yard run. He also made the conversion to give DePorres a 27-21 lead with 7:31 left.

The Shamrocks came right back, though, on a 75-yard drive to retake the lead. Eric Vojtkofsky went the final 3

yards on a run, but that play was set up by a 36-yard half-back pass from Derek Brooks to Dave Herberholz. Jason Gingell missed the extra point and the score stayed tied at 27-27 with 3:12 left to play.

DePorres came right back though and marched neatly down the field on a nine-play, 65-yard drive with Simpson hitting Grimes on a 32-yard third down pass to keep the drive alive. With 16 seconds left, Simpson ran the final 4 yards for the score and the win.

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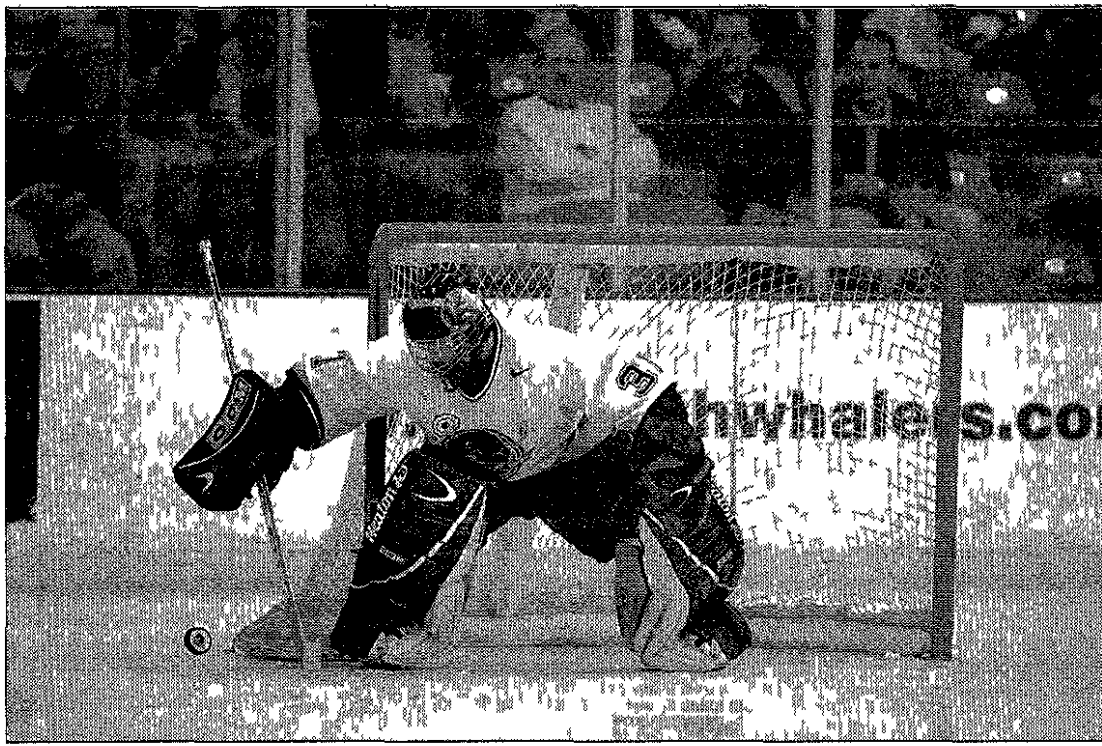
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Goalie Paul Drew was instrumental in the Whalers, who allowed fewer goals than any other OHL team, reaching the Western Conference finals

WHALERS

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Every year you have a high turnover rate, Vellucci said. You just hope your younger guys can come in and pick up the slack.

There are players to build around, to be sure. For one, all the goalies return from a team that led the OHL in goals allowed in 2002-03. Paul Drew was the leader with a 29-12-7 record, a .907 save percentage and a 2.59 goals against average, with three shutouts.

Drew will be challenged this season by last year's backup, Jeff Weber, who was 13-2-2 with a 2.32 goals-against average and a .925 save percentage. Wisniewski is expected to be the leader on defense. After having knee surgery prior to last season, Wisniewski found himself trying to get into playing shape game by game.

Before last season, I was not in the best condition, he said. I couldn't work out before the season, and all I did was just get into game shape.

This year I've worked hard. I've got my weight down to 200 and I feel more explosive. Despite coming off knee surgery, Wisniewski still managed to post high numbers for a defenseman: 18 goals, 34 assists, 52 points in 52 games played.

Other defensemen Vellucci will be counting on are returnees David Luffton (five goals, 11 assists in 64 games), Mike Letizia (two goals, seven assists, 60 games), Erik Lundmark (two goals, 41 games) and Sean Pennock, and new additions Richard Power, Ryan McGinnis and Craig Cescon.

Power was picked up in a trade with Kingston for a fifth-round draft choice. He had two goals and 13 assists in 68 games last season. "He's definitely a seasoned veteran," Vellucci said. "His knowledge of the game and experience are his biggest assets."

Cescon and McGinnis were both drafted this season and will have to work their way into the lineup.



While replacing Karl Stewart (right) won't be easy, Canton defenseman James Wisniewski (center) had 18 goals and 34 assists last season.

Now about that offense. The top returning scorer is Ryan Ramsay, a 5-foot-11, 193-pound center who was second on the team in points last season with 33 goals and 55 assists (88 points).

Ramsay should do well, said Vellucci, saying much the same about John Vigilante (15 goals, 24 assists, 39 points), John Mitchell (18 goals, 37 assists, 55 points), Jonas Fiedler (seven goals, 21 assists, 28 points), Tim Sestito (11 goals, seven assists, 18 points) and Sean Thompson (six goals, five assists, 11 points).

Of course as their top returning scorer Ramsay will receive more attention this season than last and he knows it. It means I have to produce every night, he said. If I can do that, hopefully everything will fall into place.

It does add a lot of pressure, knowing those guys (former linemates LaRose and Stewart) aren't here.

Replacing those 186 goals will fall mainly to that group of veterans — and that's just how Vellucci plans to approach it. "I think we'll have depth in scoring, he said. These guys will see more ice time and get more power play chances. But are any of them capable of matching LaRose's 61 goals? "That would be very difficult to replace," Vellucci said. The way I look at it is we will have to have two guys (combine) to do it.

One of the newcomers to watch on offense is Vaclav Meidl, a 6'4", 195-pound center

from Havrov, Czechoslovakia. The Whalers traded up to the ninth position in the European Draft last June to get Meidl, and so far he hasn't disappointed. Meidl is already drawing in a lot of attention from NHL scouts.

He's expected to have an immediate impact for the Whalers.

Others who should help are top North American draft picks Mike Lombardi and Dan Collins, although it could take them a while to work their way into the lineup. Both should contribute this year, Vellucci said. They're skilled but it takes time to adjust to the strength and size (in the OHL).

If anyone on the team needs to see what's at stake in this league, they'll get a first-hand look at it in Friday's season opener at Kitchener. They'll watch the Ranger team, now coached by former Whalers coach Pete DeBoer, raise to the rafters the banners proclaiming them OHL and Memorial Cup champions for last season. Vellucci believes the Whalers' mixture of solid veterans and talented newcomers could keep them atop the division. Whether they develop as well as last season's squad and are good enough to make a run at the OHL crown will take longer to determine.

But as the rest of the OHL should know by now — never count out the Whalers.

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Canton just can't get a win over Marian

This is one major obstacle for Canton's basketball team to clear.

It's been several years since the Chiefs have been able to do it — this year included. On Tuesday, they traveled to Birmingham Marian, where they fell behind from the start and never really caught up in absorbing a 53-37 defeat.

"It's another lesson learned," said Canton coach Bob Blohm. "We struggled with completing passes and we didn't play well on defense. And our rebounding was inconsistent."

The Chiefs trailed 13-8 after one quarter and 27-19 at half. They got to within six early in the third quarter before the Mustangs pulled away to a 39-25 lead by the end of the period.

I just wish we'd handled the ball better under pressure, said Blohm. "But they make you do that. They make you play faster than you want to. (On offense) they push the ball hard at you, and if you don't get the ball stopped early it's really tough."

Canton's free-throw shooting certainly didn't help matters. The Chiefs made just 3-of-15 at the line (20 percent). That's just not acceptable, Blohm said.

Both Canton and Marian are now 4-2 on the season.

Katie Cezat led the Chiefs with 19 points and eight rebounds. Next highest scorer was Lisa Ealy with five points.

Terese Demres topped Marian with 13 points. Kathryn Johnson added nine.

Canton opens Western Lakes Activities Association play at 7

GIRLS BASKETBALL

p.m. tonight by hosting Northville Plymouth 49, A.A. Greenhills 43. All the Wildcats needed to do was remember how they started Tuesday's game against visiting Ann Arbor Greenhills.

Plymouth led early in the game and was still ahead 11-9 after one quarter. But the Gryphons went ahead 18-17 by halftime, leaving Plymouth coach Rachelle Reilly with a job to do at halftime.

"We came out playing really hard, then we got careless in our offense (in the first half) and it led to easy baskets for them," she said. "At halftime we said we needed to execute our offense and get a shot on every possession, and not have any turnovers."

It worked. The Wildcats outscored Greenhills 32-25 after the break to win by six.

Jeanne Moise led Plymouth with 22 points and 12 rebounds. Colleen Flaherty had 12 points and eight boards, Chelsey Quinlan contributed six points and five rebounds, and Janet Hanchett got six points.

The Gryphons' Carman Dorris led all scorers with 29 points.

The Wildcats were 17 of 31 at the free-throw line, converting 12 free throws in the fourth quarter. Quinlan and Hanchett were a combined 8-for-10 at the stripe in the period.

Plymouth improved to 2-2. Greenhills is 1-6.

Franklin Road 47, PCA 34: The first quarter was a disaster for Plymouth Christian Academy

in its game at Novi Franklin Road Christian Tuesday, one the Eagles could not overcome.

The Warriors jumped on top 16-4 by the end of the first and glided after that, outscoring PCA by just one point (31-30) the rest of the way.

PCA is now 2-2. Franklin Road is 3-1.

"It was (a bad start)," said Eagles coach Kevin Nast. "We didn't get back on defense and they got 10 quick points to our nothing to start the game. "We just couldn't get the ball to go in the hole."

Shannon Murray's 11 points was best for PCA. Amanda Saagman and Carissa Elenbaas had eight apiece.

The Warriors got 15 points from Karen Metcalf and 13 from Alyssa Zantello.

On Friday, PCA opens play in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference with a game against cross-town rival Canton Agape Christian at 7 p.m. at Discovery Middle School.

Inter-City 39, Agape 36: Canton Agape Christian managed to trim Allen Park Inter-City Christians six-point lead after three quarters to three late in the fourth, but the Wolverines couldn't get any closer Tuesday.

The loss left Agape at 3-3 overall, 0-2 in the MIAC. Inter-City is 5-0 overall, 1-0 in the conference.

The loss overshadowed an outstanding performance by Agape junior forward A.J. Creps, who totaled 22 points, 13 rebounds and four steals. The Warriors got 19 points from Anita Stamps.

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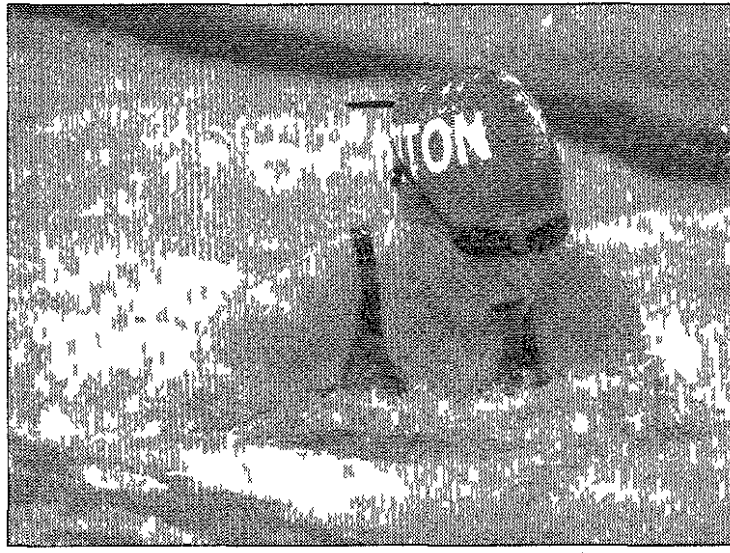
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Breastroker Katie Callie helped Canton drop nearly three seconds off its seed time in the 200-yard medley relay at the WLAA Relays

SALEM

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standards in both the 200-yard individual medley and 100 breaststroke at Tuesday's dual meet at Canton. Her IM time would have been first at last season's WLAA finals, her breast time would have placed her second.

Lincoln, who as a freshman was second in the 100 breast and seventh in the 200 IM at last season's WLAA meet, has the same kind of ability and — just as important to Olson — versatility as Mertens.

Indeed, those two will probably swim every event sometime during the season, and very likely could make state qualifying cuts in most of them. As Olson noted, it leaves the rest of the league pondering 'Where will we swim them this week?' as they try to formulate their respective dual-meet lineups.

They're probably the two best breaststrokers in the conference and among the best IMers, he said. 'I think anyone would have a hard time trying to figure out our lineup. We'll move them around a lot.'

'And they don't have a problem with that. They're very receptive to swimming anything.'

Which should create opportunities for others in the Salem lineup. Michaelson, a junior, is

another all-around swimmer who was eighth in both the 200 IM and 500 free at last season's WLAA meet. Danielle Powers, a senior, was sixth in the 100 free and eighth in the 50 free at the WLAA's. Katie Truesdell, a senior, scored in the 100 and 200 free at last year's league meet. Ashley Aquinto, a junior, was sixth in diving and 12th in the 100 back at the league finals.

Other seniors who will have an impact are Lauren Burgett, who scored in diving last season at the WLAA's, and Emily Brockschmitt, a freestyler.

'This team has a lot of potential,' Olson said. 'They're working real hard, doing more yards than they have in many years.'

'I think they have a lot of confidence. We have a lot returning from last year, when we were supposed to finish behind both Stevenson and Northville and (at league) we closed on Stevenson and passed Northville.'

Salem doesn't have any real weak points. 'The breast, IM, fly could be good events for us,' Olson said. 'The back could be good for us, too.'

'To be honest, we won't be too ugly in any event.'

'To be sure, the Rocks will be powerful. Whether or not they're good enough to threaten Stevenson's string of WLAA titles is questionable, but not improbable.'

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Rocks sink Chiefs

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In a dual meet that always carries a lot of weight in the Plymouth/Canton school district, Salem came away with the 116-70 win over Canton in a Western Lakes Activities Association swim meet Tuesday at Canton.

The most impressive performance was turned in by Salem senior Amy Mertens, who had state-qualifying wins in the 200-yard individual medley (2:13.03) and the 100 breaststroke (1:08.62).

Mertens' IM time shattered both Salem's team and Canton's pool records.

Indeed, such a time would have won that event at the WLAA Finals last year by two seconds.

'All in all, it was a pretty good night,' said Salem coach Chuck Olson. 'We swam better than Saturday (at the WLAA Relays).'

As for Mertens' performance, he added, 'It's a good sign. She's working hard. It's nice to be in the mix (with the other top swimmers in the state).'

Although Canton won just

three events — Allison Goldsmith in the 50 freestyle (26:08) and the 100 butterfly (1:02:71), and Lucy Liu in the 500 free (5:37:29) — coach Yvonne Lynn could not be displeased.

'I was happy,' she said. 'It was pretty much a personal best time for everyone in the meet. They were happy, pretty much everyone was happy.'

Salem's Mertens and Canton's Goldsmith were the meet's only double winners in individual events. The Rocks' Heather Michaelson won the 200 free (2:09:19), Ashley Aquinto was first in diving (187:55 points), Danielle Powers captured the 100 free (59:48) and Kelsey Lincoln took top honors in the 100 backstroke (1:04:29).

Canton is 1-1 in WLAA dual meets, Salem is 1-0.

'We should be able to move some people around and get some other state qualifiers,' said Olson, 'and get those state cuts out of the way.'

And pick up a few dual wins along the way.

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RELAYS

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will finish

Stevenson is gunning for its 13th consecutive WLAA title, too.

The Spartans won the first five events, starting with the 400 yard medley team of Andrea Giczewski, Stephanie Turlo, Julie Ward and Megan Gray.

After that came the 400 free relay (Anna Polkowski, Meredith Bajor, Kelly Perko, Marissa Gordon), the 200 breaststroke relay (Lisa Coach, Kristin Cruce, Kylie Slaten, Stephanie Turlo), the 200 backstroke relay (Katie Kress,

Momca Pauza, Perko, Gray), and the 200 butterfly relay (Polkowski, Ward, Bajor, Addie Turlo).

Their other wins came in the 400 individual medley relay (Gordon, Kieran Dolin, Cruce, Coach) and the 500 crescendo relay (Laura Hurn, Giczewski, Becky Hurn, Pauza).

Northville won two of the other three events — the 200 medley relay and the 200 free relay — and Western finished first in the diving relay.

Salem had three second-place finishes and was disqualified in one event. The best Canton could do was a third. Not that any of this means a thing.

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CANTON

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times were all faster,' she said.

Whatever negatives the Chiefs have had to deal with, they certainly still have several positives, starting with junior Allison Goldsmith. A state qualifier in the 100-yard butterfly last season, she finished third in that event and sixth in the 50 freestyle at the WLAA Finals.

Also returning is junior Susan Patrick, who placed in the top 12 at last year's conference meet in both the 200 individual medley and the 100 backstroke, junior Allison McDuff, who was 11th in the 100 backstroke and also scored in the 200 IM at the WLAA meet, sophomore Molly Dowd, another WLAA scorer in the 100 back who will swim the IM and perhaps the butterfly, and sophomore Izabela Paskowska, whose drops in time thus far this season have impressed her coach.

Now for the newcomers. Lucy Liu and Alyssa Johnson, both freshmen, are expected to have an immediate impact for the

Chiefs. Liu, according to Lynn, swims everything. Distance (free) is what she's doing this year, but she can do anything.

Johnson will help in both the back and free events.

There were some big losses from a year ago, certainly, but the Chiefs refuse to look back. As Lynn noted when examining this year's Relays meet, 'We would have liked to be a bit more competitive with that group (at the top). It was Stevenson, Salem, Northville and then everyone else. I think we can (close the gap). I like our attitudes. This is a hard-working team, really motivated. They keep pushing, pushing, pushing themselves, and in the end that will help.'

The Chiefs seem to have one good swimmer in each event, except the 50 free — they're loaded in talent there. Goldsmith will be a force in the fly, and the back looks good, too.

I think it will be a really successful year as long as they keep working hard and getting their personal best (times),' Lynn said. 'You can't ask for more than that.'

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WLAA RELAYS RESULTS

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Sept 13 at Salem

TEAM STANDINGS 1 Livonia Stevenson 282 points 2 Northville 243 3 Salem 201 4 Canton 182 5 Livonia Churchill 178 6 Westland John Glenn 154 7 Wayne Memorial 100 8 Walled Lake Central 99 9 Walled Lake Western 96 10 Livonia Franklin 79 11 Plymouth 77 12 Walled Lake Northern 68

FINAL RELAY RESULTS

400 medley 1 Stevenson (Andrea Giczewski, Stephanie Turlo, Julie Ward, Megan Gray) 4:18.23 2 Salem 4:20.58 3 Canton 4:33.79 4 Plymouth 4:43.85 5 Northville 4:44.18 6 Wayne 4:58.35

400 freestyle 1 Stevenson (Anna Polkowski, Meredith Bajor, Kelly Perko, Marissa Gordon) 3:56.72 2 Northville 3:56.96 3 Salem 3:58.36 4 W.L. Western 4:01.53 5 Canton 4:13.38 6 John Glenn 4:18.50

200 breaststroke 1 Stevenson (Lisa Coach, Kristen Cruce, Kyle Flaten, Turlo) 2:18.18 2 Northville 2:23.08 3 John Glenn 2:27.21 4 Churchill 2:29.24 5 Salem 2:32.92 6 W.L. Central 2:34.02

200 backstroke 1 Stevenson (Katie Kress, Momca Pauza, Perko, Gray) 2:04.03 2 Churchill 2:08.44 3 Northville 2:09.27 4 Salem 2:10.14 5 Canton 2:10.38 6 Wayne 2:20.71

200 butterfly 1 Stevenson (Anna Polkowski, Ward, Bajor, Addie Turlo) 2:00.3 2 Churchill 2:05.7 3 Northville 2:07.47 4 Salem 2:10.54 5 Canton 2:11.42 6 John Glenn 2:14.4

Diving 1 W.L. Western (Charlotte Martin, Ashley Belrose) 386.05 points 2 W.L. Central 363.15 3 Stevenson 339.0 4 Salem 306.8 5 Canton 269.05 6 Franklin 243.5

400 individual medley 1 Stevenson (Gordon, Kieran Dolin, Cruce, Koch) 4:35.22 2 Northville 4:46.77 3 Churchill 4:53.36 4 Wayne 4:55.7 5 Canton 4:56.42 6 John Glenn 5:01.86

500 crescendo freestyle 1 Stevenson (Laura Hurn, Giczewski, Becky Ward, Pauza) 4:59.95 2 Northville 5:06.85 3 Salem 5:10.77 4 John Glenn 5:13.32 5 Canton 5:19.11 6 Plymouth 5:24.88

200 medley Northville (Kathryn Kusuplos, Sarah Carr, Alyssa Schwirng, Elizabeth Underwood) 2:00.37 3 Salem 2:00.69 3 Churchill 2:02.4 4 Stevenson 2:09.16 5 Canton 2:13.46 6 John Glenn 2:20.78

200 yard freestyle 1 Northville (Kathryn Fitz, Sara Anker, Ashley Miller, Jessca Smith) 1:51.37 2 Salem 1:55.15 3 Stevenson 1:56.39 4 Churchill 1:58.0 5 W.L. Central 1:58.16 6 W.L. Northern 2:01.24

Mertens, Kelsey Lincoln, Danielle Powers) 2:00.09 2 Canton 2:03.72

200 freestyle 1 Heather Michaelson (S) 2:09.19 2 Susan Patrick (C) 2:10.52

200 individual medley 1 Mertens (S) 2:13.03 (state qualifying time, Salem varsity record, Canton pool record) 2 Allisa Johnson (C) 2:29.78

50 freestyle 1 Allison Goldsmith (C) 26.08 2 Powers (S) 27.12

Diving 1 Ashley Aquinto (S) 187.55 points 2 Chelsea Sheldon (C) 158.45

100 butterfly 1 Goldsmith (C) 1:02.71 2 Aquinto (S) 1:08.08

100 freestyle 1 Powers (S) 59.48 2 Patrick (C) 59.71

500 freestyle 1 Lucy Liu (C) 5:37.29 2 Michaelson (S) 5:55.80

200 free relay 1 Salem (Amanda Newman, Katie Musson, Katie Truesdell, Powers) 1:49.95 2 Canton 1:51.50

100 backstroke 1 Lincoln (S) 1:04.29 2 Gullikson (S) 1:08.59

100 breaststroke 1 Mertens (S) 1:08.62 (state qualifying) 2 Liu (C) 1:16.69

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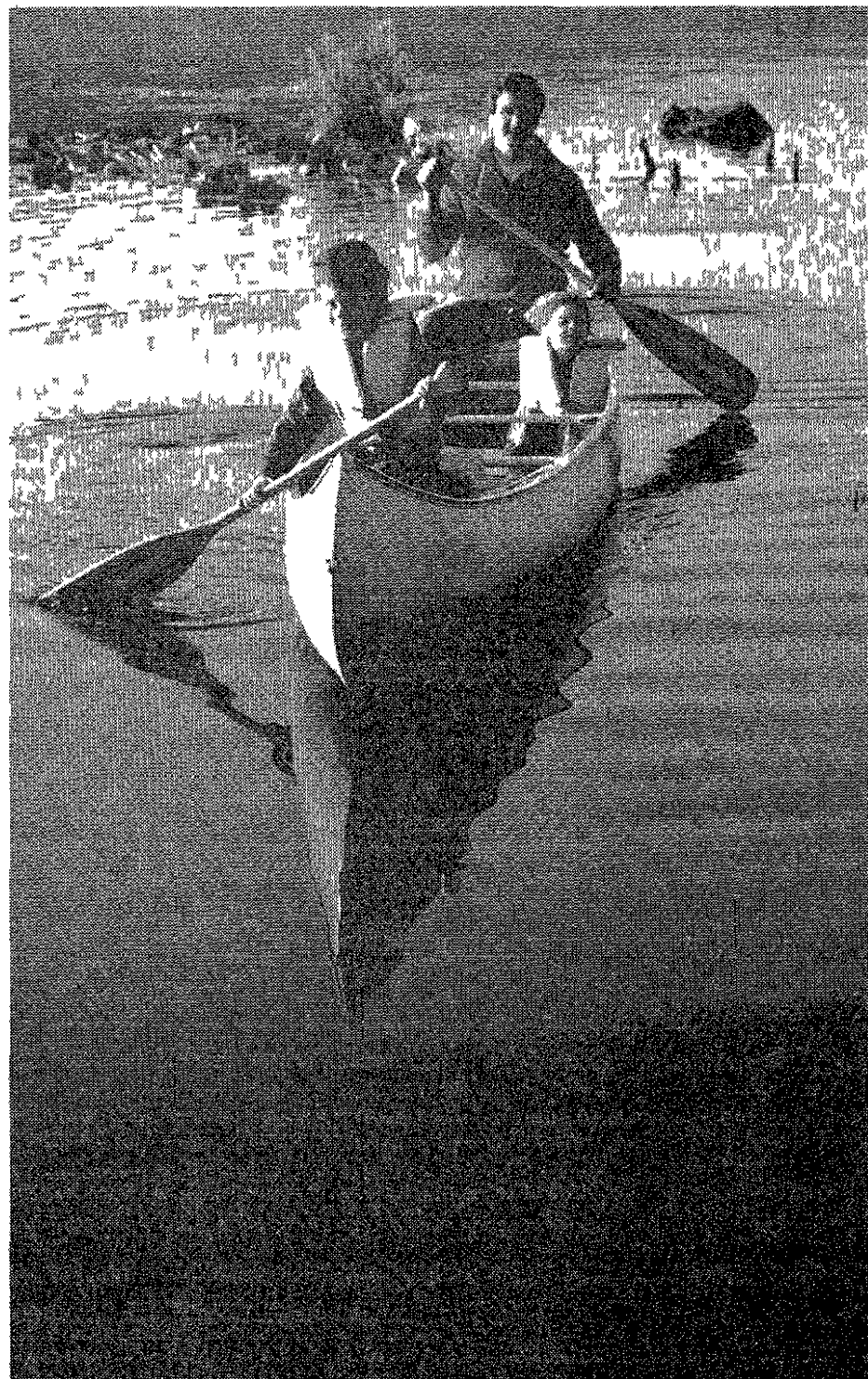
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Madonna shuts down Spring Arbor, 2-0 SC rolls over Loyola

Matt Placek and John McIntyre each scored their first collegiate career goals Tuesday at Livonia's Greenmead Field as the Madonna men's soccer team stopped Spring Arbor, 2-0, in its second Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference game.

The Crusaders (4-1, 2-0 WHAC) connected in each half with McIntyre scoring first, getting the assist from James Miller. Placek's goal was unassisted.

MU goalie Doog Koontz recorded the shutout with two saves, one in each half.

The Crusaders are at the top of the conference and have jumped five spots in the

MEN'S SOCCER

National Intercollegiate Athletic Association rankings this week, climbing to No. 17.

The Cougars fell to 2-4 overall, 0-2 WHAC.

Ocelots even record

Paul Johnson scored twice in the second half to allow Schoolcraft College to pull away from Delta CC for a 3-0 win last Wednesday (Sept. 10) at Delta.

The Ocelots' record moved to 2-2-1 overall.

Both of Johnson's goals were assisted by Will Friend. Rod Assalini got the Ocelots' first goal.

Delta's goal was scored by Craig Lill. Liam Curran was in goal for SC.

(Delta) were tackling like crazy and we were still able to play some pretty nice soccer, said SC coach Dominic Scicluna. "We did outplay them the entire game."

It's starting to come together for us but we still have a lot of work to do."

MU routs Concordia

It took just 46 seconds for Madonna University's men's soccer team to find the goal Saturday against Concordia University in its first Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference match of the sea-

son, played at Greenmead Field in Livonia.

The Crusaders added two more before halftime and put three more on the board in the second half in posting a 6-0 victory.

Madonna improved to 3-1 overall, while the Cardinals remained winless at 0-3.

Zach Wilkes and Dan Kurtina each scored twice for the victorious Crusaders. Justin Fishaw (Canton) contributed a goal and an assist.

Doug Koontz was in goal for the shutout, but the Madonna keeper did not have to make a save.

It was a different story for Concordia keeper Kirk Mulligan, who had 19 saves

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Arelle Bryant (Canton) and keeper Nicole Dalcandro, who collected her third straight shutout.

Madonna wins WHAC opener

There's no place like home. Madonna University's women's soccer squad certainly believes that after pummeling Concordia 11-0 in its Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference opener Monday at Greenmead in Livonia.

Three players scored two goals each for the eighth-ranked Crusaders, who led 7-0 at the half. The game's first goal was netted by Diane Foley.

Becky Guibord, Lacey Cattarino and Sarah Pack (Westland John Glenn) got two goals apiece for Madonna, and Guibord, Emily Jackson (Farmington Harrison) and Kelly Japowicz each had two assists.

Salem places second at DeLaSalle Invitational

Salem's girls cross country team put six runners in the top 15 finishers, leading to a second-place finish at the DeLaSalle Invitational Saturday at Stoney Creek Metropark.

The Rocks scored 51 points in placing second. Grosse Pointe South took top honors with 20, capturing six of the top seven positions. Romeo was third (124), Sterling Heights took fourth (127) and Birmingham Groves placed fifth (134).

Danielle Malone paced Salem, finishing eighth overall in 22:04. Hannah Cavichio was ninth (22:17), Amanda Kassem placed 10th (22:21), Lauren Kane took 11th (22:26), Laura Friedman was 13th (22:35), Lauren Medley

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finished 14th (22:36) and Lianne Griffiths was 21st (23:11). All seven Rock runners received medals.

Salem will send its A team to the Jackson Invitational and its B team to the Monroe Jefferson Invitational this Saturday.

Salem, Canton boys trail

Officially, no score was kept at last Thursday's Western Lakes Activities Association Jamboree at Cass Benton. Unofficially, neither Salem nor Canton did too well.

The Jamboree was divided into two races. Walled Lake Western, with its

first four runners placing in the top seven, was the best, led by Neil Naughton's first-place finish (16:21). Northville was second, Livonia Stevenson took third, Walled Lake Central placed fourth, Salem finished fifth and Canton was sixth.

Salem's scorers were Dan Kapadia, 17th (18:42), Adam Kosteva, 20th (18:53), Brian Kutnick, 23rd (19:03), D.J. Russell, 24th (19:04), and Brian Barnes, 30th (19:30).

Canton's top scorer was Scott George in 12th (18:18), followed by Eric Zech, 25th (19:04), Dave Galea, 36th (19:38), Phaltiel Whitlock, 37th (19:43), and Troy Wolfe, 44th (20:14).

Last Saturday, the Chiefs competed in the Ludington CC

Invitational and placed 10th out of 11 teams.

Petoskey was first with 45 points, followed by Muskegon Mona Shores with 73 and Fremont with 74. Canton scored 249.

George was the Chiefs' top finisher again, placing 31st in 18:49.60. Canton's other runners were Wolfe, 46th (19:36:50), Whitlock, 51st (20:20:74), Ken Clawson, 60th (21:29:92), Evan Shepard, 61st (21:48:36), Brian Zielinski, 66th (22:17:51), and Scott Reidsma, 67th (22:41:41).

On Saturday, Canton will travel to the Monroe Jefferson Invitational, while Salem splits its team between the Jackson Invitational and Catholic Central Invitational.

Catholic Central drops two games to fall out of first place

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

Catholic Central fell out of its tie for the Catholic League A-B Division lead with a pair of losses to league opponents Birmingham Brother Rice

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scored the first four goals of the game Tuesday and wound up with a 4-2 win over the Shamrocks.

It was disappointing because we came out flat, CC

coach Joe Nora said as his team dropped to 4-4 overall and 2-2 in the league.

Jon Show put CC on the board with 18 minutes left in the game as he got the ball from Pete Bierzynski to cut the lead to 4-1. Bierzynski got an

assist on the next goal as Dade Dimaggio added another with eight minutes left.

On Saturday, CC stayed close with De La Salle for a while, but two goals by Josh Mahoney in the second half gave the Pilots a 3-1 win.

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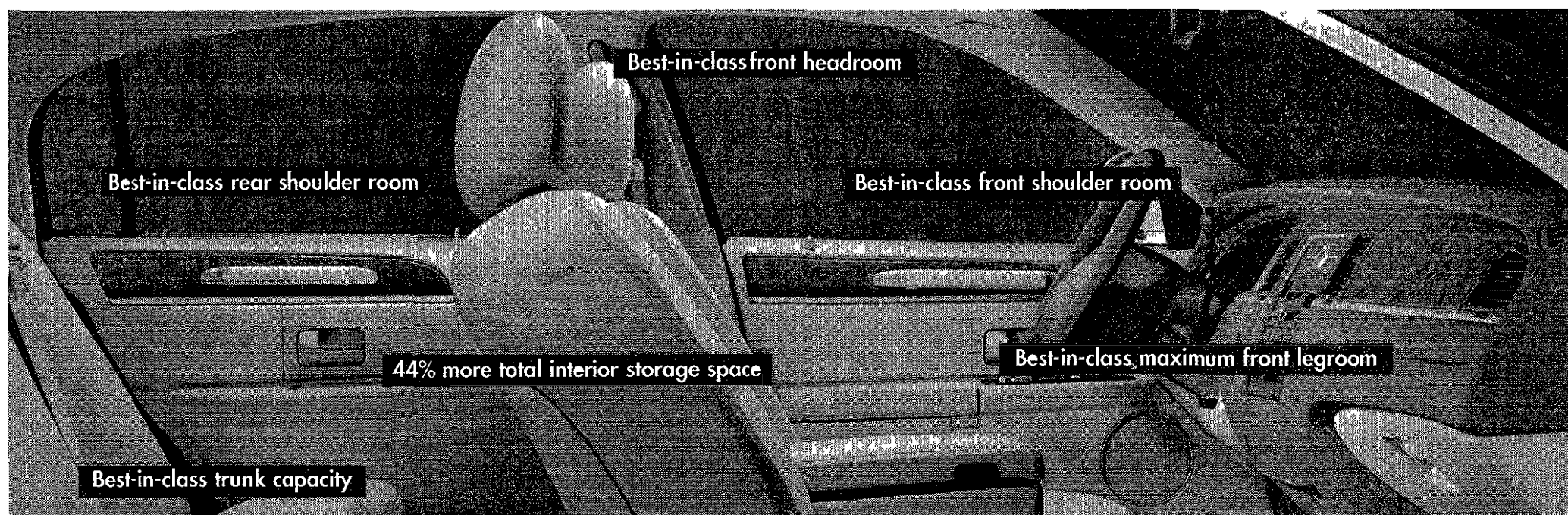
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Salem can't match Churchill

A phone call Salem golf coach Rick Wilson received Sunday night started the Rocks on a bit of a slide early this week.

Pat Shaw, who had been scoring very well for Salem, called to tell his coach he had slipped and fallen while playing and jammed his thumb. He didn't think he could play Monday at the Adran Invitational.

The Rocks finished 11th out of 19 teams at that tournament, then on Tuesday against Western Lakes Activities Association rival Livonia Churchill they were beaten 147-157 at Whispering Willows in Livonia.

Salem's record fell to 2-2 overall, 1-2 in the WLAA. The Chargers are 4-0 overall and in the conference.

'He told me that was their best score of the year,' said Wilson, referring to the Churchill coach.

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Indeed, all four of the Chargers scorers shot 38 or better, led by Kyle Hardey's 35 Bryce Tomas and Tommy Lucko each had 37s, and Mike Fierk had a 38.

The Rocks were paced by Andy Thackaberry with a 38 Chris French shot 39, and Aaron Cheesman and Mike Cassidy had 40s. Shaw did play, but shot a 41.

'He can go lower than that,' said Wilson.

As for Churchill, Wilson predicted they'll be in the WLAA race all season. 'Without a doubt, he said. 'They keep on doing that and I don't see them losing.'

At the Adran Invitational Monday, played at the par-71 Lenawee Country Club, the Rocks shot 329, led by Thackaberry and Cassidy with 80s. Cheesman was next best

with an 82 and Chris French shot an 87.

Grand Ledge was first overall with a 302, followed by Ann Arbor Pioneer (303) and Saline (305).

Salem plays WLAA foe Northville at Tanglewood Friday.

PCA beats Steiner

Behind Jesse Predhommes 39, Plymouth Christian Academy topped Ann Arbor Rudolf Steiner 171-183 Tuesday in a match played at Huron Hills in Ann Arbor.

Jordan Brown was next best for the Eagles, who improved to 3-2, with a 42. Derek Elenbaas had a 44, and Kyle Gross and Jordan Johnston each carded 46s.

Rudolf Steiner was led by Zac Evans. Golden with a 40.

On Friday, PCA plays Pontiac Oakland Christian at Hickory Creek.

Madonna manages to top Cornerstone

Opening the Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference volleyball season Tuesday at Cornerstone University was, as expected, no picnic for Madonna University.

The Fighting Crusaders benefitted from a fairly easy win in the opening game, but they had to fight for every point thereafter in games two and three before registering a three-game sweep of the Golden Eagles.

Madonna's season-opening win streak remained intact, reaching 14-straight. Cornerstone fell to 13-5 overall.

Tera Morrill, a junior from Livonia Franklin, had been nursing an injury since August, but she looked good against Cornerstone — particularly in the first game, when she served nine-straight points to turn a three-point Crusader lead to a 25-13 advantage.

That was the key to Madonna's 30-20 win in the opening game. There was nothing of the sort in the next two, in Game Two neither

VOLLEYBALL

team had a bigger lead than three points, but mistakes doomed the Eagles in Madonna's 30-28 win.

The third game was even more competitive, if that's possible. The score was tied at 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28 before the Crusaders went up 29-28.

Cornerstone tried to lob a serve high over the net, but the ball hit the out-of-bounds game cube above the arena, resulting in the game-winning, and match-winning, point in Madonna's 30-28 triumph.

The Crusaders host University of Michigan Dearborn at 7 p.m. Friday in a non-conference match.

SC stops Owens

After losing six of seven matches, Schoolcraft College is starting to make some progress.

On Saturday at Schoolcraft, the Ocelots dominated Owens Tech in sweeping to a 30-18,

31-29, 30-26 victory. It was their third-straight win over Owens at SC.

'We were on, they were not,' said SC coach Tom Teeters. 'Owens, Kellogg and St. Clair have been the early-season leaders in Region 12.'

'SC made some progress toward the top three teams.' Indeed, in beating Owens it would appear the Ocelots have already caught up, although they lost to both Kellogg CC and St. Clair County CC earlier this season.

The win evened SC's record at 6-6 overall.

Stephane Koslowski led the attack for the Ocelots with 12 kills (46.2 kill percentage), she also had eight digs. Katrina Napier (29.4) and Meghan McAuliffe (20.0) had eight kills apiece, Napier getting five blocks and McAuliffe adding two serving aces and eight digs.

Setter Kelly Sines had 20 set assists, two aces and three blocks.

SC plays at University of Michigan-Dearborn at 7 p.m. Monday.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday Sept 19
Redford Union at Highland Park 4 p.m.
Romulus at Garden City 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Canton 7 p.m.
John Glenn at Churchill 7 p.m.
Wayne at Franklin 7 p.m.
Salem at Stevenson 7 p.m.
Trenton at Thurston 7:30 p.m.
Luth. North at Clarenceville 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Sept 20
Hamtramck at Luth. Westland 1 p.m.
A.A. Gabriel Richard at St. Katharine/Borgess (Hilbert) 7 p.m.
Sunday Sept 21
Redford CC vs. Brother Rice at Pontiac Wisner Stadium 1 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Thursday Sept. 18
Wyandotte Mt. Carmel at Bishop Borgess 5 p.m.
Det. Urban at Luth. Westland 6:30 p.m.
Northville at Canton 7 p.m.
Bishop Foley at Ladywood 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Churchill 7 p.m.
Stevenson at John Glenn 7 p.m.
Wayne at Salem 7 p.m.
Garden City at Redford Union 7 p.m.
Taylor Truman at Thurston 7 p.m.

Friday Sept. 19
Huron Valley at Taylor BAPTIST 6 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER
Thursday Sept 18
Ply. Christian at Huron Valley 4:30 p.m.
Clarenceville at Luth. East 4:30 p.m.
Luth. North at Luth. Westland 4:30 p.m.

Friday Sept 19
Taylor Truman at John Glenn 4 p.m.
Thurston at Fordson 4 p.m.
Crestwood at Garden City 4 p.m.
Ply. Christian at Roeper 4:30 p.m.
Macomb Christian at Huron Valley 4:30 p.m.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Thursday Sept 18
Thurston at John Glenn 4 p.m.
Garden City at Mega White Jamboree (Woodhaven) 4 p.m.

Saturday Sept 20
Salem at CC Invitational 10 a.m.
Salem at CC Invitational at Cass Benton 10 a.m.
Univ. of Toledo Invitational TBA

Stevenson at Salem 4 p.m.
Plymouth at John Glenn 4 p.m.
Redford Union at Annapolis 4 p.m.
Garden City at Woodhaven 4 p.m.

Saturday Sept 20
Salem at Saline Invitational 8 a.m.
Monroe Invitational 9 a.m.

BOYS GOLF
Thursday Sept 18
Redford CC vs. U.D. Jesuit (Detroit GC) 4 p.m.

Friday Sept 19
Stevenson vs. W.L. Western at Fox Creek 2:45 p.m.
Salem vs. Northville at Tanglewood 3 p.m.
Churchill vs. John Glenn at Whispering Willows 3 p.m.
Franklin vs. W.L. Northern at Idylwyld 3 p.m.
Wayne vs. Canton at Hilltop 3 p.m.

Redford Union at Annapolis 3:30 p.m.

Oakland Christian vs. Ply. Christian at Hickory Creek 4 p.m.
Redford CC at Divine Child (Dearborn CC) 4 p.m.

GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY
Friday Sept 19
Edsel Ford at Ladywood 4:30 p.m.

Saturday Sept 20
CHSL Championship at Ladywood 9 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Friday Sept 19
U.M. Dearborn at Madonna 7 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Thursday Sept 18
Schoolcraft at Macomb CC 4 p.m.
Saturday Sept 20
Madonna vs. Aquinas (Greenmead) 2 p.m.
Cuyahoga (Ohio) at Schoolcraft 3 p.m.
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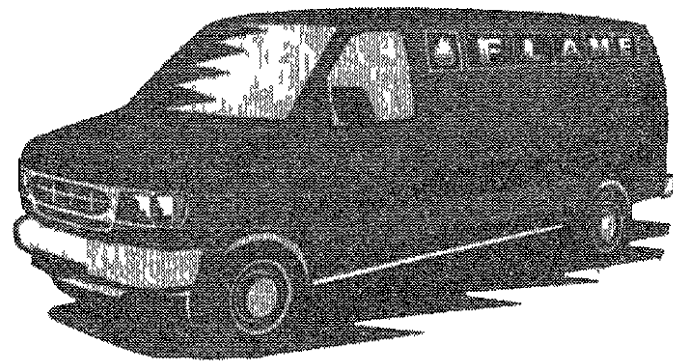
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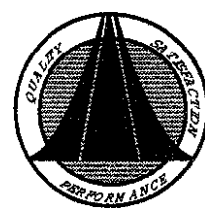
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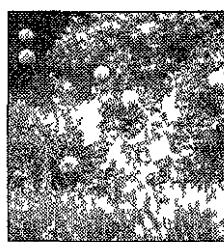
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Simple maintenance can cut energy bills

Winter is slowly creeping on us, and according to the Farmers Almanac, this winter could be a real humdinger. With energy costs rising, it's time to start thinking about how to keep

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There are other simple and inexpensive things you can do to help reduce

energy use. A tremendous amount of heat is lost through air infiltration, which is cold air sneaking into a warm house. A solution to stop at least some infiltration is to replace deteriorated and missing caulk.

Caulk is relatively inexpensive (as little as \$2 a tube). Pay particular attention to where door and window frames meet siding, any place two dissimilar materials (such as siding and brick) touch and locations where services (gas, electric, water) enter the house.

Though a little tricky to apply, if you only open the caulk tip as much as necessary, work slowly and use a moistened finger, spoon, or other tool to smooth the caulk bead, you will find you can get acceptable results.

Another place air infiltration is very common is around the weather stripping of doors and windows.

Like any moving part, the weather-stripping and gaskets are subject to wear. In some cases, the weather-stripping is proprietary, meaning you must get the replacement from the manufacturer. Most of the time, however, you can find a generic replacement at a home improvement store.

A good way to determine if you need weather-stripping is by using incense, or some other smoldering material, and hold it near the doors and windows on a windy day. Air infiltration will make the smoke flutter.

Storm windows will give a tremendous boost to the energy efficiency of a window but can be costly. Self-stick, heat-shrinkable films are a good temporary substitute.

Change the furnace filter. Dirty filters make the furnace fan motor work harder, which equates to more energy use. The new filter will also improve your interior air quality and you'll see less dust and cobwebs around the house.

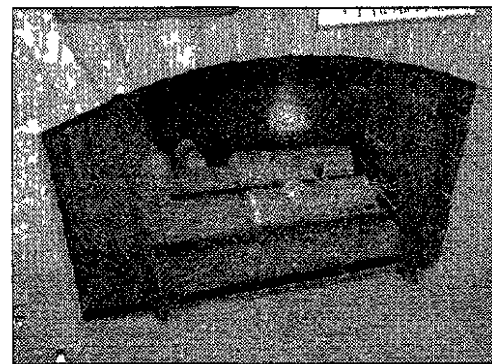
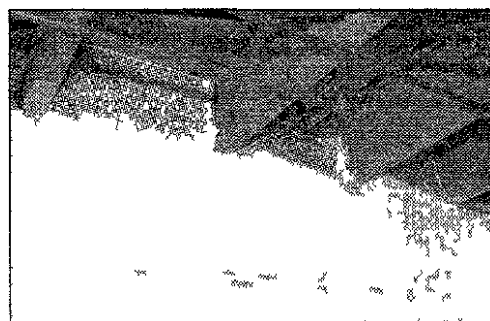
Lower the thermostats on both the furnace and water heater. As much as 3 to 5 percent more energy is used for each degree over 68° F. By setting your water heater at 130° F rather than the standard 140° F, you can save as

Seal of approval

Checking insulation, windows can help prevent heat loss in your home

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Blame it on last winter. Some energy experts say you'll pay more for heat this winter. The reason: Last winter was colder than expected. That drew down gas reserves to record low levels and now we're all on the open market buying gas that's available to fill storage fields, said



Above: adding two inches of Styrofoam insulation between joists and in the area of an old basement window can prevent heat from escaping. Below: this fireplace could use a glass door on it to prevent heat loss.

Terry DeDoe, Consumer Energy spokesman.

The Michigan Public Services Commission, which regulates power companies, has told the public to expect monthly bills to rise an average of \$30 this winter, DeDoe said.

But energy customers don't have to sit back and take it. Heating experts suggest that homeowners go on the offensive to save heating costs by upgrading windows, adding insulation, and rooting out spots where outside air leaks in.

DTE Energy spokesman Len Singer said the situation with depleted natural gas reserves will have less impact on electric power customers, even though a growing number of new electric power plants around the country are fueled by natural gas.

"In our southeast Michigan territory, 85 percent of our power plants are fired by coal," he said. DTE Energy has seven power plants in the region. Eleven percent of the energy they generate comes from



Kaufman switches on a fluorescent bulb in his basement. Consumers should look at efficient light bulbs as a way to cut energy use.

nuclear power, 4 percent comes from a combination of natural gas and oil.

FIGHTING BACK

While many experts say that rolling fiberglass insulation in the attic is a prime way to reduce energy costs, some stress that blown-in cellulose insulation is even better.

"The rolled insulation is never installed properly, it doesn't get into nooks and crannies," said Larry Kaufman, DTE program manager.

Like the rolled kind, blown-in insulation keeps heat from escaping through the ceiling. But the U.S. Department of Energy rates blown-in insulation as 40 percent more efficient, Kaufman said. Experts recommend installing up to 18 inches of insulation, blown in or rolled, for maximum effect.

For the typical attic, a 3-6 inch layer of blown-in cellulose insulation, on top of existing rolled fiberglass, will cost

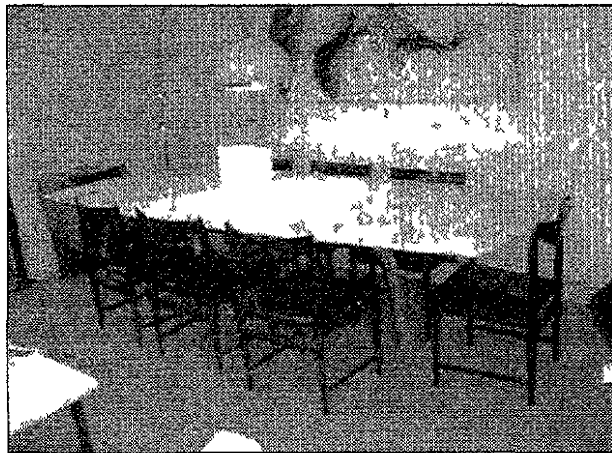
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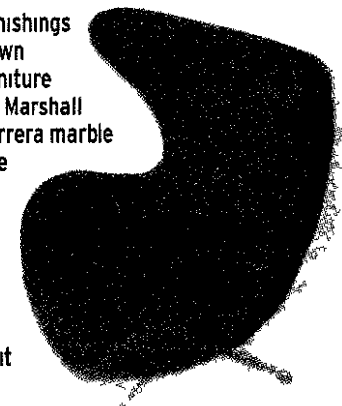
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Modern times

Studio 50s is celebrating its fifth anniversary this month by moving into a larger showroom. The store, which offers a wide selection of vintage "mid-century modern" furniture for home or office, will move to a 6,000-square-foot facility at 2705 Orchard Lake Road in Keego Harbor, about half a mile from its former location. Studio 50s will exhibit designer furniture, art, area rugs and accessories, and have several smaller rooms for focused changing displays. Plans are to stage periodic art shows reflecting various themes and artists of

the period. Among the furnishings Studio 50s carries are shown here: the only piece of furniture created by famed sculptor Marshall Fredericks, a 9 1/2-foot Carrera marble dining table that was in the Fredericks home; the oversized, bright red Madonna chair and attached ottoman by Gaetano Pesce; and the classic Egg Chair by Arne Jacobsen. Call (248) 706-9600 or visit www.studio50s.com.



HEAT

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around \$200, Kaufman said. Blown-in insulation is particularly effective in preventing ice dams, caused when melting roof snow drips to the roof edge and turns to ice, then melts again.

This water can drip behind walls onto electrical wires risking fire.

Blown cellulose eliminates it - I've never had ice dams, Kaufman said. Firms that sell blown in cellulose insulation include Nu Wool and Applegate, and are listed on the Internet and in phone books under insulation.

AIR LEAKS

Plugging air leaks can be even more important than proper insulation, Kaufman

'Windows and doors are good areas to caulk. You really can't make a house too airtight.'

Larry Kaufman
DTE program manager

said. He offers the analogy of an airplane flying through frigid skies.

Passengers stay warm and comfortable, even though the walls are thin.

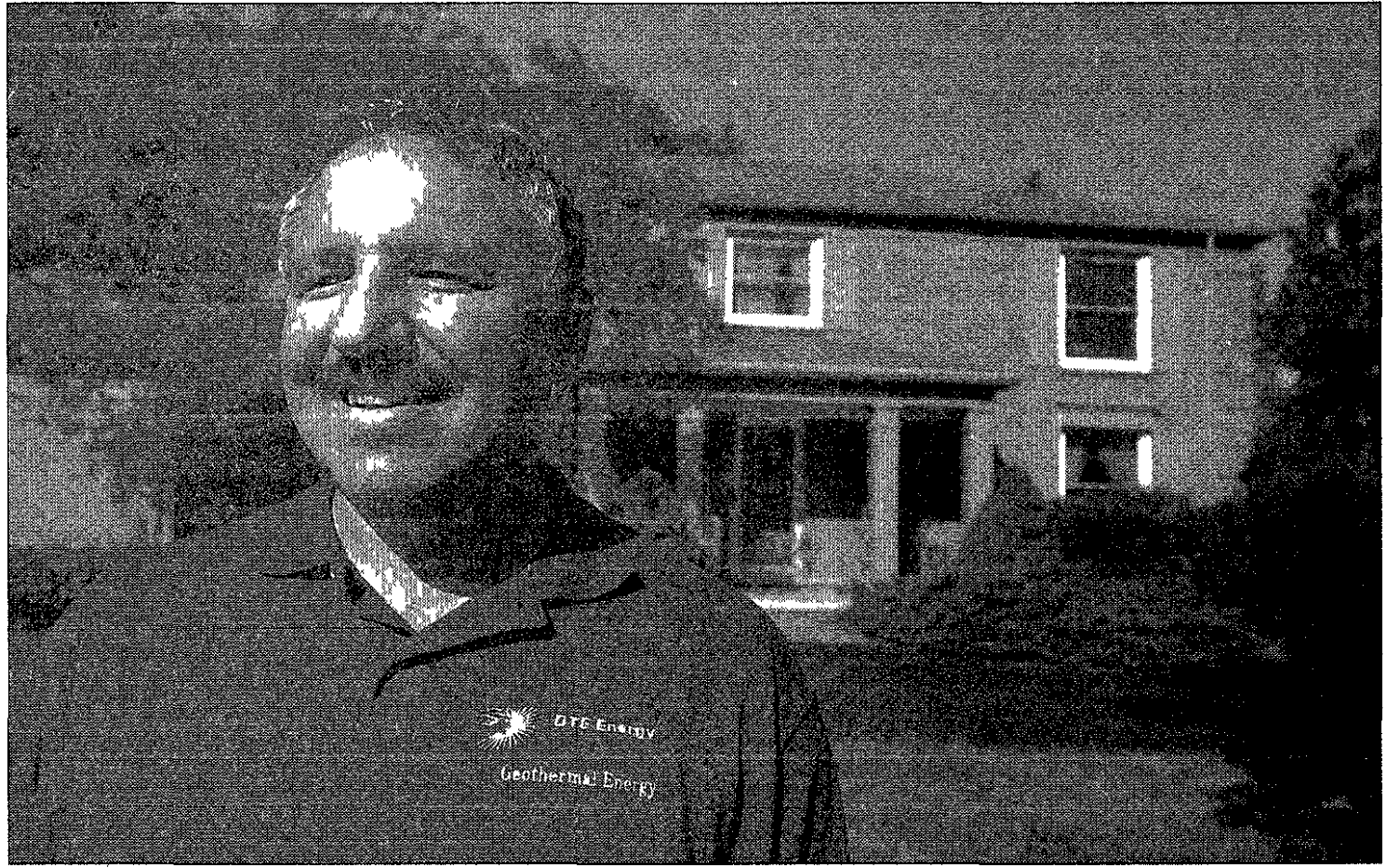
'That's because there's no air leakage,' he said.

In the home, the most air leakage is between the basement ceiling and first floor.

'Those joist areas you should caulk,' Kaufman said. 'You can buy a 2-inch foam board and push that into joist areas - you can make a significant difference. Windows and doors are good areas to caulk. You really can't make a house too airtight.'

Singer said Michigan Energy Services (1-888-339-7700) offers a home test for air leakage at around \$400.

Some other tips to reduce winter heating costs include making sure fireplace flues are



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Larry Kaufman stands in front of his West Bloomfield home

closed programming thermo stats to 60 degrees when no one's home, adding 2-inch foam board along cement basement walls as insulation, and shutting off room vents at the furnace, rather than at the room.

Kaufman recommends making sure your furnace is running properly by checking with a licensed contractor and replacing air filters each month. Both DTE Energy and Consumer's Energy offer payment plans for people having trouble meeting higher winter energy costs. For more information, call DTE at 1-800-477-4747, or Consumer's Energy at 1-800-477-5050.

MORE TIPS

Here's more tips to cut your home's heat loss:

- Drapes can cut heat loss in half if they have an insulating liner. Let drapes hang loose. Be sure the liner doesn't block heat registers and air return ducts.
- Let the sun in by opening curtains, drapes, shades, shutters and blinds on the southern and eastern windows. Close them on cloudy days and at night to keep heat from escaping.
- Repair open spaces in broken or cracked windows and door glass.
- Use clear plastic or vinyl sheeting on the inside of your windows to make a temporary double-pane window. Use weatherproof tape, duct tape or tacking strips to hold in place.
- Add extra insulation to floors by covering with a pad and rug. Prevent heat loss as warm air travels through heat ducts from your furnace by wrapping heat ducts with insulation. Use duct foil tape where rectangular heat ducts join, and water base acrylic latex caulk where round and rectangular duct fittings meet.
- Seal cracks where pipes, electrical wires, vents and ducts enter your home.

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Add dynamic quality to your photographs

What separates a good photograph from a ho-hum snapshot? What makes your friends and family ask to see more instead of thinking 'I've seen enough'?



Focus on Photography

Monte Nagler

The answer lies in getting impact or 'stopping power' in your pictures. One of the best ways to accomplish this is by good, effective and careful composition.

Composition can be thought of as meaningful placement of the main subject and supporting elements in the picture including the elimination of unnecessary and unwanted detail.

The next time you look through your camera and are about to press the shutter stop! Yes, stop and take a really good, second look. Examine the subject. If it's a person, is there a tree or telephone pole growing out of his or her head? Is your subject placed in a dynamically strong part of the frame? Check all four corners of the viewfinder. Is there something there, perhaps distracting, that doesn't belong?

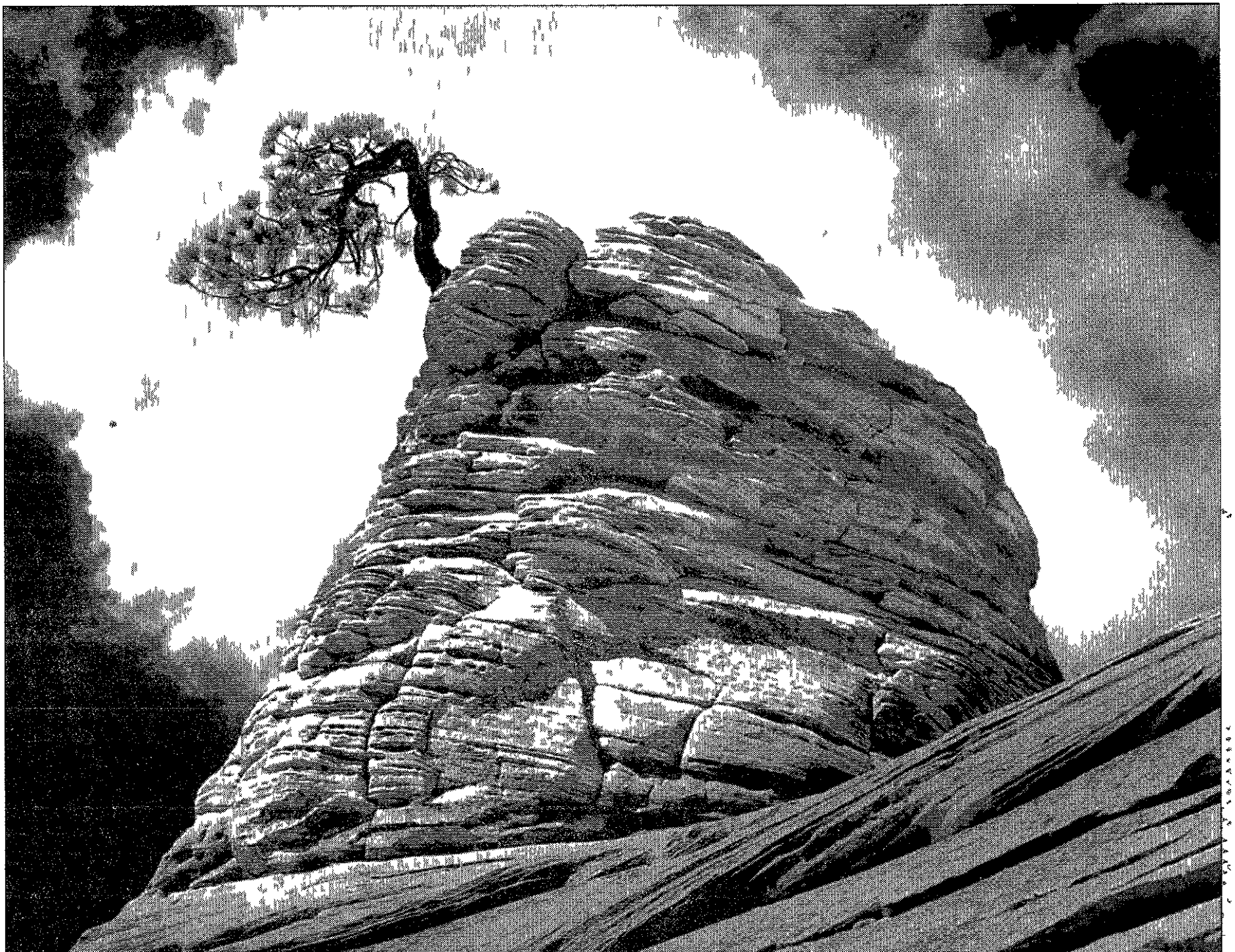
Good and careful composition begins with a solid look through the camera and a calculated determination of what you, the photographer, want to record on film in the most effective way.

Here are some basic guidelines to help you plan and obtain good composition.

- Consider vertical vs horizontal. Most cameras produce a rectangular picture so try fitting this format to your subject. People and trees, for example, go up and down, so most often a vertical composition should be used.

- Horizons go sideways so a horizontal format is appropriate.

- Move in close! Filling the



Monte Nagler carefully placed this solitary tree off center for a much more interesting composition. This picture was taken at Zion National Park in Utah.

- frame with your subject is perhaps the best way to add stopping power to your shot. This way, your picture is simplified and the viewer's attention isn't distracted. When photographing a person or animal filling the frame is easily done with a telephoto lens.

- Check subject placement.

- Avoid placing the main subject smack in the middle of the picture. Photographs appear static and less interesting this way. Rather, by placing the subject off center, a dynamic quality will be given to your shot that will make it much more exciting.

- Use lead-in lines.

- Elements in a photograph should help lead attention towards the subject.

- Lead-in lines can be roads, fences, streams, paths, ways, etc.

- Watch your horizons. Above all, make sure that they are level in your picture, not running up or downhill.

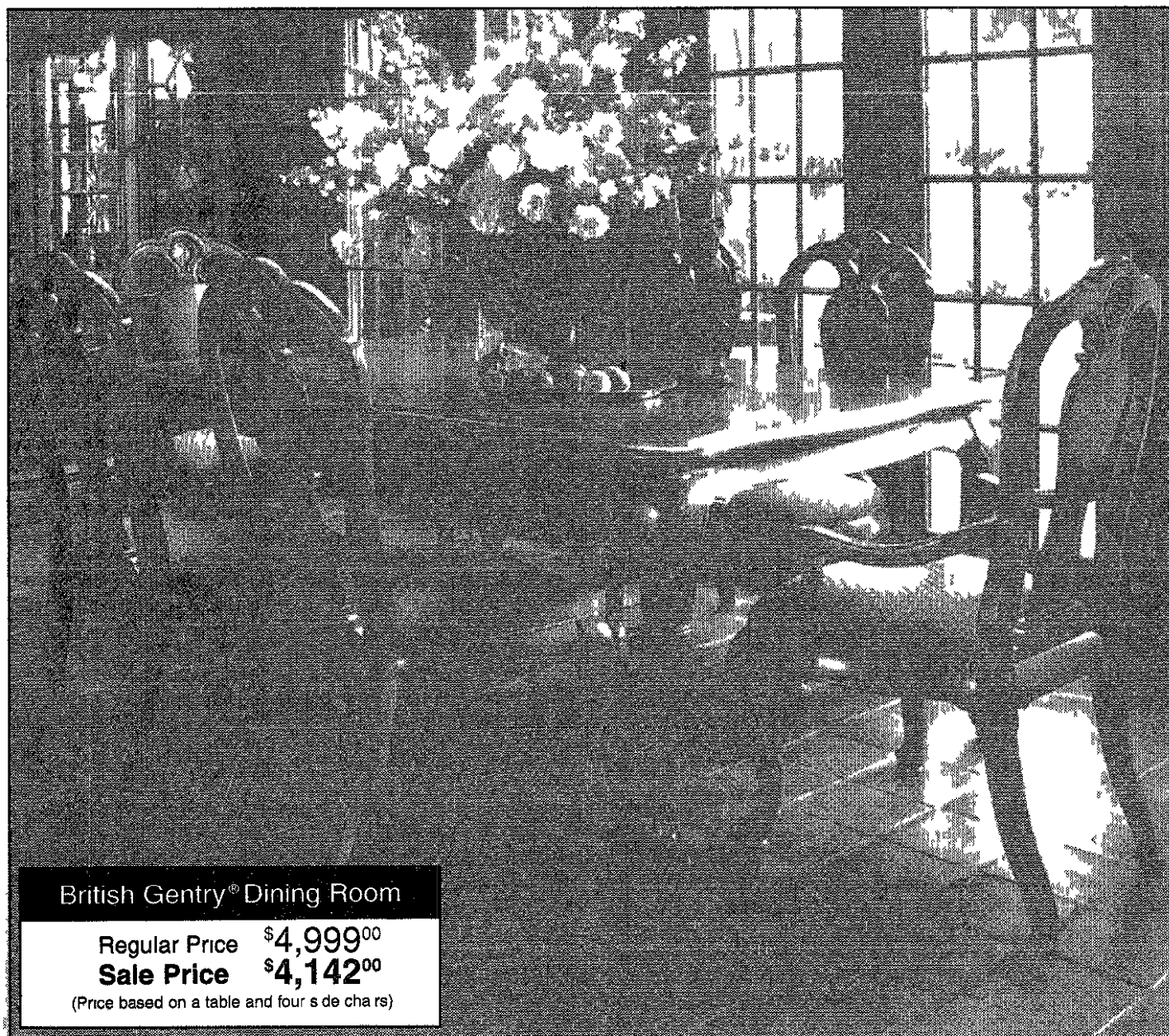
- Remember that a low horizon line will accentuate spaciousness, especially when you have a dramatic sky.

- A high horizon line will de-emphasize the sky and instead suggest closeness.

- Above all, to add more impact and stopping power to your pictures, get in the

- frame of mind as you look through the viewfinder that you are now 'making photographs,' not merely taking a snapshot.

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.



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Don't do these things to your appliances

In all these years of writing this column, I don't know how many times I've mentioned things you should do on the subject of major home appliances.



Appliance Doctor
Joe Gagnon

This week I'd like to highlight things you shouldn't do and why you should not do them. Don't put too many clothes in the washer! It is only designed to wash a certain amount. Too big a load will not allow the clothes to circulate properly through the water, which affects the effectiveness of the washer's cleaning ability.

Too much of a strain will cause the belts to wear prematurely. Some components will fail completely, requiring expensive repairs. The motor will consume extra energy consumption and up goes the electrical bill.

Don't assume that the temperature in your refrigerator is good and cold. Purchase your self a probe type thermometer, then stick it into a peanut butter jar or similar substance. When you discover that the food products are 40 to 44° F, then you should realize that it doesn't get as cold as your old refrigerator did.

More people today suffer food poisoning from their own refrigerators than ever before, according to the U.S. Department of Health. Now you can understand why. Start using a three- to four-day

period as to how long you keep leftovers.

Don't go more than six months without cleaning the condenser underneath the refrigerator.

The dirty condenser is sure to increase the operating cost and can result in some serious damage to the compressor. The vacuum cleaner crevice tool is not sufficient to do the job properly.

You need a long-handled brush sold at hardware stores to do the job right. If you haven't cleaned the back of the refrigerator in the past few years, do it as well.

Don't put potato peelings, corn husks or raw chicken in your garbage disposer. These items are prone to cause your drain line to plug up, especially if you have a cheap disposer. Make a habit of clean-

ing your disposer by filling it with ice cubes and letting them sit in there for an hour. Then, turn it on with the water running.

Don't keep the air conditioning system on during the night time hours.

Our temperatures are now cold enough in the evenings to cause a 'frosted up' condition on the coil and cause damage to the system.

Don't wait any longer before putting the self-cleaning range into a clean mode.

The kitchen is now cool enough where the extra heat from the range will not put you in misery. Remember to remove the racks during self-clean and the plastic containers in the side cupboards. Pots and pans in the bottom drawer should be removed as well. (Think of fire prevention every

time you put the range into self-clean.)

Clean inside the vent line behind the clothes dryer. Detach the line, take it outside and hose out the inside or use a leaf blower and blow it out. Dirty plugged up vent lines are the biggest reason why more than 15,000 house fires per year are ignited each year in the United States.

Make sure the vent flapper outside completely closes. Use a Q-tip to clean off the hinges. It's time for little critters to start looking for a winter home and they have been looking all summer at the heat coming out of that hole.

They want that heat. Their occupation of that hole can cause a real smelly mess in your dryer.

Don't boil water or anything inside your microwave oven.

Sometimes the water can 'explode' inside the cup. Sometimes people have been seriously injured. I know the practice has been done for years, but it is much safer to just boil the cup of tea on the kitchen range.

Don't wait any longer to have your furnace receive its annual checkup.

Homeowners have the habit of waiting until the coldest fall day before calling and then everyone seems to call at the same time. The heating industry can not handle the flood of calls, so don't wait any longer. Do it now.

Stay tuned. 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.

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On its cover, *Sharp Focus* is dubbed *A First Daughter Mystery*. What is *A First Daughter Mystery*?

In this case, it's a mystery novel, written by a real-life former First Daughter, focusing on a fictional First Daughter who is something of a self-styled detective.

Let's hope no actual First Daughter ever finds herself as beleaguered as this fictional character is.

The tale gets off to a flying start as Eve Cooper takes her first ride aboard a glider, high above the U.S. Air Force

Academy on a cloudless Graduation Day. Her father, President Elliot Cooper, is scheduled to speak at commencement later in the afternoon.

Right now, Eve is the star of the show, although she's fighting hard to swallow her terror as the engineless plane soars above the Rockies.

A short time later, as horrified spectators look on, the same glider (sans First Daughter) crashes, killing one passenger, and injuring the pilot seriously.

Still later, it looks as if the plane may have been sabotaged, and someone may have been intending to kill Eve Cooper.

Several days after this, concern about Eve's safety increases considerably when the limo in which she is riding is shot at by a mysterious sniper during a trip to San Antonio. Nobody seems able to figure

'What's most fun about Sharp Focus is ... the chance to go into the nooks and crannies of the White House.'

exactly what is going on, so Eve, exhibiting a kind of Nancy Drew savvy and determination, begins poking about in the puzzle herself.

Charlie, her techno-whiz of a brother, lends a hand with some dazzling (illegal) computer snooping.

The stuffy Peter Seybold, head of the presidential protection detail, puts some valuable information into Eve's hands as well.

And her spirited Aunt Patsy's spirited old flame, retired Brigadier Gen. Armond Buck

Buckley, a colorful Texan, plays a helpful role, too, as does Eve's photographer 'buddy' Michael Cauffman.

(The President himself here doesn't seem able to do much more than wring his hands in worry about his beloved daughter's safety.)

Though they don't do a whole lot to help solve the mystery, a few in the rather large cast of characters do their part to add some zip and zing to the slightly confusing story.

Aunt Patsy, who knows her way around a memorable pot of chili or plate of fried chicken, has been asked by the President to take on the job as First Lady, after the death of Eve's mother years earlier.

Eve's teen brother, the root beer-swilling Drew, seems a little like Archie Andrews, if Archie attended a "nutzy" private high school and had the president of the United States

for a father. His headmaster, Rob Lendon, is movie-star attractive so much so that the unusually chaste Eve initiates a romantic clinch in a shadowy hallway at the White House at one point.

A woman from Texas named Betty-Jean Travs acts as an escort on the First Daughter's visit to San Antonio. Betty Jean, with her electric blue designer suit and pumps, her slightly too big and too red hair, her layers of flawless makeup and her lizard skin briefcase dyed to match the suit, refers to herself (of course) as little ol' me. (As a native Texan, I have never heard one Texas woman refer to herself in this way. But perhaps I digress.)

What's most fun about *Sharp Focus* is not the unlikely story (although that's intriguing enough) or the characters, but the chance to go into the nooks and crannies of the

White House, and to glimpse other backstage aspects of First Family life that Susan Ford, daughter of former President Gerald Ford, brings us.

You'll get to visit not only the Oval Office, but the bowling alley (a nifty, high-tech spot that rewards players with triumphant cartoons for making spares and splits), Air Force One, the family kitchen, the rooftop balcony, and the gala East Room - as it might look if decorated for a high school dance.

Those side trips to Colorado, San Antonio, and the Texas Hill Country (as they might be experienced by members of the First Family) add still another dimension to *Sharp Focus*.

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

Balancing career, home and family

How do I balance career, managing a home, and still spend time with my children?

Motherhood is a precious gift that is wrapped in joys and sorrows. The stages of childhood pass quickly so it is important to take time to enjoy each phase of our children's lives. It seems like one day we are changing diapers and in the twinkling of an eye, we are bucking our seatbelts tightly because our child is driving.

By organizing time efficiently you can accomplish what you need to do and give your children the time they need. I am the mother of four busy children. I remember when they were younger I used to contemplate how much easier it would be to get things done when they were older. I had visions of cleaning the house without my little helpers who usually helped in reverse.

My sons were less than two years apart and needed to be carefully watched. Their attempts to help me scrub the kitchen floor usually resulted in a flood of water sweeping across the linoleum because one of them would decide to tip the bucket of soapy water. Now that they are older, I worry about their safety as I scrub the floor, knowing they are driving around the town in their car.

We tend to think the grass is greener until we cross to the

'I have learned a valuable lesson from the Cleaver family; they spent quality and a significant quantity of time together.'

other side of the fence. We need to be content and make the best of each stage in our child's life.

GOODBYE, JUNE CLEAVER

The 'Leave It to Beaver' days are history and most women must adapt to the demands of home and career. We live in a fast-paced society that requires us to spend hours in the car. We simply can't stay at home any more.

For some reason I can't imagine June Cleaver trying to balance home and career on the same full plate. Almost as ridiculous is an image of me casually vacuuming my carpets in pearls and dinner dress waiting for my husband to return to his castle. Usually when I vacuum, I hope an unexpected guest does not pay me a visit because my attire would be less than presentable.

But I have learned a valuable lesson from the Cleaver family; they spent quality and a significant quantity of time together.

The time you spend with each child and how you spend it will vary according to his age. Each stage of a child's life demands another level of creativity as you strive to spend

time with him and still finish your tasks.

If you are one of those rare people who can do two things at once and do both with excellence, then proceed with that course of action. Include your children in work projects that are home or career oriented. For example, when children are small they can help with cleaning. Fill the window cleaning bottle with water when the solution is gone. They will love cleaning the bathroom with their spray bottle.

MAKE IT FUN

Make a game out of every cleanup project you do together.

When they are older, the same principle can apply but the projects will be different. For example, set aside one Saturday a month to work in the yard cutting grass, pulling weeds, planting, building flower boxes and trimming.

Not everyone in your household may have a green thumb but each can still contribute even if simply to serve drinks and food to the yard workers.

Another example, my husband and I both run our own businesses that require mass mailings. We usually rent a family movie and work together to prepare for the mailings. There are six of us so we set up an assembly line that involves folding letters, stuffing, stamping and sealing. We take a popcorn and soda break and usually pay the children a small fee as incentive for their help.

Not only are we spending time with our children but we

are also training them in the area of organization skills. We are very busy as most households are, so it is important to plan every window of time without compromising the most important thing, our relationships with our children.

Quality time with our children is important but it is still no substitute for the quantity of time we spend with them. Be creative, including them when you can and looking for ways to spend time with them. Even a catastrophe can have a silver lining.

One such catastrophe happened to our oldest daughter. She had purchased a car the summer before she began college. She was attending college locally so she needed a car for her transportation. Three weeks before the semester began, she was in an accident that totaled her car and left her with minor injuries.

The car could not immediately be replaced and she had some fear about driving so the school semester began with her Grandma, dad and I taking turns driving her across town.

Adding this driving to my already full schedule created stress until I realized I had an hour a day of uninterrupted time to spend with my daughter.

Today's Refrigerator Bulletin: 'Take time from your busy schedule to enjoy every age of your child.'

Send your questions and success stories to Diana Koenig, P.O. Box 1702, Manchester, MO 63011. Email: dianakoeng@hotmail.com, www.domesticplanner.com

Prepare your lawn for winter

Cooler weather is on its way, but the gardening season isn't over. There are many things you can do to prepare your lawn and garden for winter.

Lawn Maintenance
If your lawn is looking a little tired from the summer heat, rejuvenate it with fertilizer.

One application now will help produce a healthy lawn next spring.

Be sure to monitor moisture levels in your garden until the ground freezes. Water when soil is dry 1 inch below the surface. Finally, consider re-seeding to thicken your lawn or fill in bare spots. Remember when seeding, don't use fertilizers with weed killer.

Preparing Spring Flowers
For beautiful spring flowers, fall is the only time of year to plant bulbs.

Tulips, daffodils, hyacinths and crocus bulbs are great to plant in perennial borders, rock gardens or even in annual beds to extend the color season. Bulbs grow best when planted deep in a sunny well-drained area. And if you have a perennial garden, now is the time to divide and transplant or even consider adding a new one.

Planting Trees/Shrubs
Fall is a great time to plant trees and shrubs while the soil is warmer and moist. This provides a healthy environment for roots to establish themselves before winter sets in.

Accomplish a few of these tasks and get your garden off to a great start in the spring.

Rick Vespa is vice president of Landscape Design and Installation for English Gardens.

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Mackinac gardens show beauty, variety

Yes the topiary horses are still at the Grand Hotel, 'The World's Largest Summer Hotel,' on Mackinac Island. They stand very



Garden Spot

Marty Figley

patiently and can be seen from your carriage or bicycle, or as you move toward the hotel.

Nine hundred 'Rocky Mountain Red' geraniums grace the long front porch of the hotel and are quite a sight against

the pristine white building. Stephen S. Bernard, director of grounds and golf, took us on a tour so we could get an up-close look at the fabulous gardens he and his crew keep in perfect condition.

Both old varieties of flowers and the newest on the market are incorporated into the beautifully designed beds.

The entrance gardens are situated below the porch where carriages disembark passengers.

Parsley, white Marguerite daisies and gold margolds (Orange Jubilee) form a tapestry of color.

The casual feel of Wildflower Hill is evident in the hundreds of hardy roses and many, many perennial wildflowers such as blue ragged robin, dame's rocket, and golden daffodils.

As the season progresses, ox-eye daisies, poppies and tall pink malva precede the fall

colors of goldenrod, purple coneflower and asters.

In the spring, tulips, grape hyacinths and lilacs start the long display on the Rose Walk that features Carefree Beauty roses. Color is provided with annuals such as snapdragons, zinnias and dahlias when the roses take a breather before their next display.

The Tea Garden is composed of many annuals and perennials. It's interesting to learn that tuteurs made of willow provide vertical emphasis and structure on which vines climb. The shape of these gardens that surround an impressive fountain is referred to as the Ribbon.

The open lawn allows room for guests to play bocci ball and croquet, while at other times concerts and other activities take place here.

Annabelle hydrangeas form a perfect backdrop for weddings in the Wedding Garden that contains many of the same flowers above, and old-fashioned shrub roses include Paul's Early Blush that was bred in 1893.

The roses give a romantic feel to the garden and Miss Lingard, the traditional wedding phlox, is growing among the bright colors of annuals and perennials.

OTHER SIGHTS

The swimming pool has a backdrop of white pines, lilacs and 20 different varieties of garden peonies that include 'Big Best Red.'

About 250 years ago, a number of the lilacs in this area



PHOTO BY MARTY FIGLEY

Blue salvia, 'Blue Hill Sage,' allium, roses and lady's mantle are featured in one of the Grand Hotel gardens. Many plants are repeated in other gardens.

were planted by French explorers.

It's well worth a visit to enjoy the 13 varieties of lilacs that put on quite a show around the middle of June.

The Labyrinth is not to be missed. Based on sacred geometry, it's a pool of meditation and prayer that is constructed of flat stones that lay in a concentric form.

It is a replica of one at the 12th century cathedral at Chartres, France. It's raked three times each week to keep it in perfect condition.

The gardens at the tennis house feature a fabulous yellow and orange daylily collection, which was introduced to the

hotel 25 plus years ago by Al Goldner of Bloomfield Hills, a recognized hybridizer. Annuals and canna lilies add interest to this garden.

Another garden features twin ginkgo trees in this cottage style area.

Many annuals and perennials, hanging baskets and herbs make up this little gem.

Nearby, the Horseshoe Garden in front of the Jockey Club contains evergreen yews trimmed in the shape of oversized horseshoes.

CARE

A lot of time and effort goes

into maintaining these gardens.

When the containers are planted, Osmocote 14-14-14 fertilizer is included in the soil and a balanced fertilizer is used as top dressing about July 4.

Soon the hotel will close and then all the plants, except the geraniums, will be pulled from the gardens and composted. The soil they make will be used in the gardens next year. Because the geraniums may have a disease or fungus, they are destroyed.

There is a lot to do when visiting Mackinac Island and Mackinac City.

Take time to take a tour of

Fort Mackinac on the Island and Fort Michilimackinac in Mackinac City. There are herb and vegetable gardens so one can learn what plants were used years ago.

You won't want to miss the Wings of Mackinac, the butterfly conservatory to experience the loveliness of the plants and the butterflies.

The Grand Hotel opens for guests May 6, and closes Oct. 26.

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

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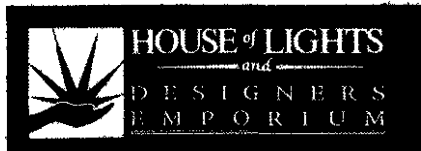
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Architects to host house tour in area

From beautiful, historically preserved homes to some of the most cutting-edge contemporary residential architecture in the nation, the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA Detroit) will host its Dual Dichotomies of Age and Style House Tour 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, in the Birmingham/Bloomfield area.

This year's tour contrasts the combinations of old and new, traditional and innovative design.

The tour will be hosted by AIA member architects and other professionals involved in each of the residential developments.

The tour will begin at Seaholm High School, 2436 W. Lincoln in Birmingham. Tour buses will run continuously 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., with each tour lasting approximately three hours.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the event.

For more information, including where to buy tickets, call (313) 965-4103 or visit www.aiaami.com.

The 2003 AIA Detroit House Tour will feature these six residential developments:

■ **Stanley Street**, Birmingham, by John Gardner and Associates Architects - This innovative home of structural steel and glass surfaces is subdued with Douglas fir wood

floors and trim for a tranquil effect.

■ **Ann Street**, Birmingham, by McIntosh Potts Associates - This contemporary urban townhouse features a subterranean terrace and three levels anchored by a steel stair case.

■ **Bates Road**, Birmingham (Historic Peck House), by Finicum Brownlie Architects Inc. - This restored Victorian duplex is a historic landmark featuring rich architectural details.

■ **Manor Road**, Bloomfield Hills, by Lubin Schulz Skocelas - This comfortable home combines traditional Birmingham bungalow theme with mountain vernacular of Aspen, Colorado homes.

■ **Greenwood Street**, Birmingham, by Michael Willoughby and Associates Architects - This historic home was renovated to accommodate a 21st century lifestyle, while preserving the character of the original structure.

■ **Baldwin Street**, Birmingham, by Victor Saroki and Associates Architects - This traditional home was designed by the architect for his family and features a flowing, open floor plan and cozy fireplace.

For more information on The American Institute of Architects Michigan and AIA Detroit, visit www.aiaami.com.



The owners of this Bloomfield Hills residence, one of six on this year's house tour hosted by the Detroit Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, chose to create a comfortable home inspired by their love of the traditional bungalows of Birmingham and the mountain vernacular found in the homes of Aspen, Colorado.

ENERGY

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much as 10 percent of the water heating portion of your energy bill. Convert as many lamps the compact fluorescent lamps (CFL) as possible. Though these are initially somewhat expensive, the energy savings and long life will more than pay for them in the long run. Even taking the higher cost of CFL

'Though (compact fluorescent lamps) are initially somewhat expensive, the energy savings and long life will more than pay for them in the long run.'

bulbs, they cost about 75 percent less than a conventional incandescent bulb to operate. The greatest drawback to CFL lighting is that they will not properly operate with a dimmer. To prolong our limited resources, and to save a few bucks, we need to use energy wisely. I found a good source of information at http://www.eere.energy.gov/energy_savers/.

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 or in care of Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

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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WHAT WE FOUND

The following stores and catalogs sell a two-way zipper Haberman Fabric Inc., on Main Street in Royal Oak, or Custom Zips (call for an order form) (203) 866-1540.

For Mop & Glo, try Target or Meyer stores.

For the game of Mahjong, try the following stores: Warren Prescriptions, 32910 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills, or Spitzer's Hebrew Gift & Center, 21790 W. 11 Mile Road. Spitzer's number is (248) 358-5959.

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Bulk poppy seed can be purchased at the American Bulk store, 6698 Orchard Lake, West Bloomfield ((248) 737 1610).

For Hue opaque stocking, try the Sock Shop, 32930 Middlebelt, in Farmington Hills.

To have rhinestone jewelry repaired, try Tappers Diamonds & Fine Jewelry, 6337 Orchard Lake ((248) 932-7700).

To have china repaired, try House of Renew in Birmingham ((248) 642-0363).

FIND AND SEARCH

A reader has Big Band 78 records to donate to a charitable organization.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR

A store that sells red denim for Jenny of Westland.

A store that sells Surpass antacid chewing gum (formerly sold at Rite Aid) manufactured by Wrigley chewing gum.

A store that sells st.ptic powder for cuts when shaving for Ollie of Garden City.

Someone to refinish an old wooden trunk.

A store that sells a girls necklace with the name Erin spelled out on it for Lil.

A book from the 1920s or 1930s called Nip & Tuck. (The book was used in schools back then for a reader, who is now 79 years old.)

For the Northwest blue jeans, Sears sells a similar jean called Classica Elements.

A store that sells Baby Morgan blankets (18-by-20 inches) for Annette.

A person who makes teddy bears from old fur coats for Sue of Livonia.

A store that sells chrome tips to put on the ends of an umbrella to fix the umbrella for Ed of Westland.

A company that would sell something to test lead on very old china dishes from China for Frances of Farmington Hills.

A store that sells Glade lasting mist refill spray by Johnson's Wax for Mary.

A store that sells plastic covers for recipe index cards for Mrs. M.

A bakery that makes small miniature hamburger buns for Jan of Livonia.

A store that sells the T-shirt that bears the phrase "So many books, so little time" for Bev.

A store that sells opaque tights by Hue for Judy.

A store that sells Ann Klein perfume for Londa.

A store that sells the game Five Crowns.

A store that sells dry shampoo for Katc.

A store that sells walnut oil

for walnut furniture for Mrs. O.

A store that sells Twinkle Copper cleaner for Dale.

A store that sells the game of Skittles for Nick.

A store that sells a No More-Lumps sifter for Kelli.

A store that sells a pattern to make clothes for a 14-inch Madame Alexander baby doll for Velma.

Someone who repairs

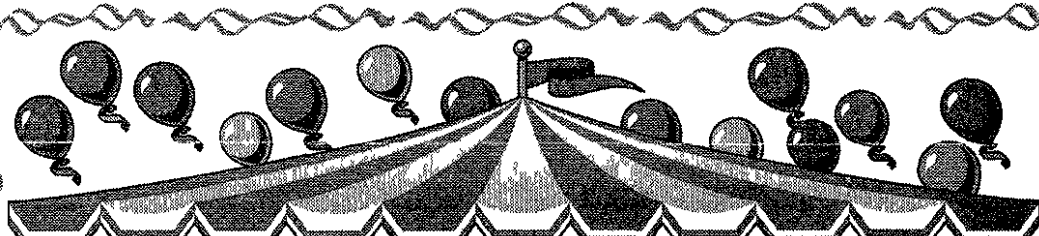
rhinestone jewelry for Peggy.

A store that sells Johnson's liquid Simonize floor wax or Glo coat floor wax by Johnson's for Peggy.

A store that sells a Bee-safe can tapper (cover cans so bugs don't fly in them) for Kim.

A store that sells vinyl protectors for chairs for Eleanore.

By Sandi Jarackas

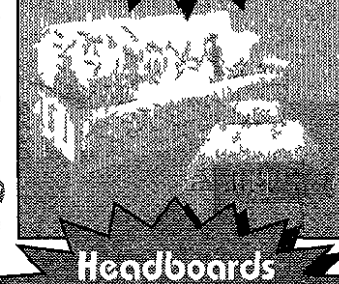


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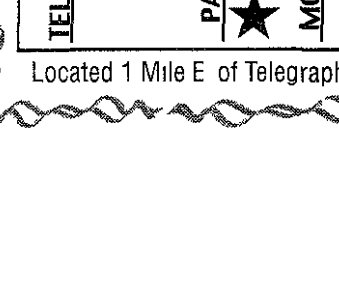
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734 433-0970

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Despite all of the timesaving technologies at our disposal from fast food to fax machines most of us feel more hurried and harried than ever before. Recently I had the experience of walking across a beautiful college campus and noticing a newly erected sculpture. My first impulse was to say to myself "Don't stop to look at it now, you don't have the time." Then I realized that I honestly didn't need to be in such a hurry and that an extra minute or two to look at this work of art wasn't going to negatively impact my day. On the contrary, slowing down to enjoy this artwork impacted my day in a very positive way. A wise man has said that the secret of life is enjoying the passage of time. But we can't enjoy the passage of time if we are forever trying to beat the clock. Today's lifestyle is fast paced, however, slowing down and enjoying God's beauty such as watching a sunset or just sitting outside and watching the birds can be relaxing and is beneficial to our well being. There are countless things that we can see or do to make our lives more enjoyable and peaceful. The Bible tells us that God generously gives everything to us for our enjoyment. We should be aware and thankful to God for all the wondrous things in our lives.

The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle dove is heard in our land. - R.S.V. Song of Solomon 2:12

Slow Down and Enjoy Life!

SMELL!

RELIGION CALENDAR

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

SEPTEMBER

Women's Spiritual Retreats

Recognizing Jesus in the Breaking of the Bread Sept 19 21 and Unfinished Understanding of Vatican II Sept 26 28 at St Mary's Retreat House 775 W Drahter Road Oxford Cost is \$100 per retreat Call (586) 977 8993

Monday Morning Bible Study

Began Sept 15 and runs through Nov 10 Bring a coffee cup Bible and a friend to journey through some of the most important parts of the Bible at St Paul's Presbyterian Church Five Mile and Inkster Livonia No charge Child care available for \$1 per child by calling (734) 422 1470

Jillybean returns

Jill Bryan (Jillybean) communicates God's truths with fun and laughter There are 8:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. services at the picnic following the 10 a.m. service Sunday Sept 21 at St Paul's Presbyterian Church Five Mile and Inkster Livonia Call (734) 422 1470

Fall Flea Market

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Sept 20 St Matthew's United Methodist Church parking lot 30900 W Six Mile Livonia Sellers welcome \$15 per table to go to church missions For more information call (248) 476 0908

Aerobic Class

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church is offering a light Aerobic Class 11 a.m. to noon Thursday Sept 25 to Oct 30 and Nov 6 to Dec 15 at 14175 Farmington Road south of Ford Field Livonia Cost is \$18 per 6 week session To register call (734) 522 6830 The public is welcome

Rummage Sale

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday Sept 26 until 3 p.m. Saturday Sept 27 at St Innocent Orthodox Church 23300 W Chicago east of Telegraph Redford For information call (313) 538 1142

Mom to Mom Sale

Maternity through infant preteen clothes toys and furniture 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday Sept 27 at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia Call (734) 422 0149 Table renters get free lunch and child care Also bake sale

Marian Rally

A public prayer and pilgrimage honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary 1:30 p.m. Sunday Sept 28 on the grounds of the Felician Sisters 36800 Schoolcraft Livonia Eucharistic Liturgy celebrated at noon Ample parking at the Felician Sisters Provincial House lot off Newburgh Road For more information call (734) 591 1730

Revival

Grace Baptist Church of Livonia holds special revival and evangelistic meeting Sunday Friday Sept 28 at 28440 Lyndon between Middlebelt and Inkster roads Guest evangelist is Steve Pettit and his ministry team Sunday services are 10 a.m. 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday Friday meetings begin at 7 p.m. Special teen and children program held throughout the week Public welcome Call (734) 425 6215 or visit the Web site at www.GBCofLivonia.org

UPCOMING

Fall Speaker Series

Begins 7 p.m. Wednesday Oct 1 with William Ross president and CEO of the Booker T Washington Business Association on the topic of Making Your Vision a Reality at Unity of Livonia 28660 Five Mile between Inkster and Middlebelt Livonia Series continues each Wednesday through Nov 19 Love offerings accepted For more information call (734) 421 1760 or visit the Web site at www.unityoflivonia.org

Fall Rummage Sale

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday Oct 3 until noon Saturday Oct 4 at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh roads Livonia Call (734) 422 0149

From Grief to New Hope

Grief workshop presented by Cathy Clough director of New Hope Center for Grief Support 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Oct 11 at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail Livonia No charge For registration information call (734) 422 0149 Open to the community

HOME CALENDAR

Canadian roses

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 Hardy Canadian Explorer and Morden Roses will take place 11 a.m. Friday Sept 19 The program will be repeated 1 p.m. Sunday Sept 21 and 11 a.m. Monday Sept 22

Learn about the rugged roses developed by Agriculture Canada and tour the extensive collection in the display garden of Great Lakes Roses 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 or call (734) 461 1230 to request a flyer

Spring bulbs

English Gardens experts conduct free gardening seminars for the public 1 p.m. Saturdays at all five metro Detroit English Gardens stores The Sept 20 program will be Planting Spring Flowering Bulbs To achieve spring color from tulips hyacinths daffodils or crocus you must plant the bulbs now An overview of different bulbs tips on proper planting techniques and care throughout the winter and during the next growing season and the basics of designing a bulb garden will be featured For more information call the store in West Bloomfield (248) 851 7506 Royal Oak (248) 280 9500 Dearborn Heights (313) 278 4433 Clinton Township (586) 286 6100 or Eastpointe (586) 771 4200 Call (800) 335 GROW for the nearest English Gardens location or visit www.englishgardens.com

Tollgate fair

The Tollgate Gardeners at the Michigan State University Tollgate Education Center 28115 Meadowbrook Road in Novi will have their seventh annual Fall Fair 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Saturday Sept 20 (rain or shine) Admission is free Free refreshments will be available Call (248) 347 3860 Ext 212 for more information Among the activities will be hayrides line dancing the MSU Bug House (a live bug display) and presentations on birds of prey and bat conservation Children's activities will include kite making face painting pumpkin painting and catch and release fishing A garden marketplace tables provided by the MSU Extension presenting master gardener food preparation and 4 H information tables with recycling and composting information and information tables by the Novi police and fire departments will also be featured

Chrysanthemum show

The Greater Detroit Chrysanthemum Society will have its 42nd annual show Saturday Sunday Oct 11 12 at the Livonia Civic Center Library 32777 W Five Mile at Farmington Road Hours are 1 p.m. Oct 11 1 p.m. Oct 12 Call (734) 522 0067

Matthaei Botanical Gardens

Classes currently offered in the

University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens Adult Education Program include Wednesday A M Hiker (fee is \$150 \$135 for members) five Wednesdays beginning Sept 24 the two session Spiders and Their Kin (\$50 \$45 for members) beginning Wednesday Sept 24 and the four session Asters and Goldenrods (\$125 \$112 50 for members) beginning Saturday Sept 27 Call (734) 998 7061 for information

Rose show

The Detroit Rose Society's Fall Rose Show will take place Saturday Sunday Sept 20 21 at English Gardens in Royal Oak on Coolidge between 14 and 15 Mile (Maple) Show times are 2 9 p.m. Saturday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday Society members and consulting rosarians will be available to provide information on growing roses

Hosta society

The Metro Detroit Hosta Society will meet 7 p.m. Monday Sept 22 at Congregational Church of Birmingham Cranbrook Road at Woodward in Bloomfield Hills Guest

fee \$3

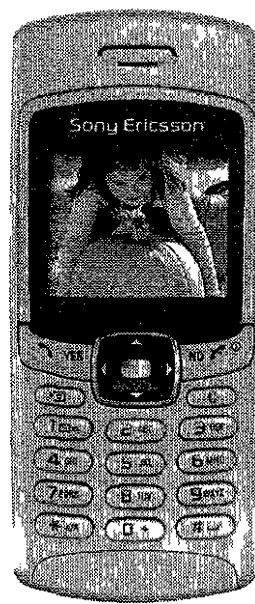
Ran Lydell owner of Cook's Nursery (also known as Eagle Bay Gardens) on the southern shore of Lake Erie near the New York Ohio border will speak on The Beauty of Hosta Flowers and will have some of his plants to sell Lydell has been working on a specialized program of hybridizing to produce improved hosta blooms for 15 years and has introduced many hostas

How-to clinics

The Home Depot offers free weekly how-to clinics for do-it-yourselfers Experienced associates provide step-by-step instructions during the hands-on clinics which last about 30 to 45 minutes For more information contact your local Home Depot The September schedule features You Can Assemble and Install Ready to Assemble Cabinets 7 p.m. Tuesdays You Can Select and Install an All Season Door 7 p.m. Thursdays You Can Lay Ceramic Tile 10 a.m. Saturdays You Can Build a Fence 2 p.m. Saturdays and You Can Apply Faux Paint Techniques 2 p.m. Sundays

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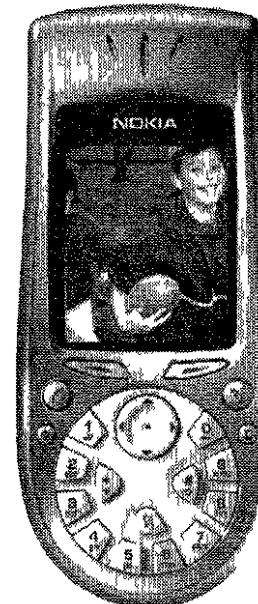
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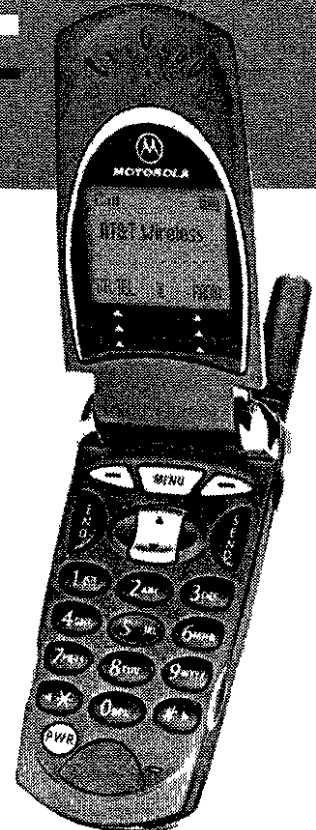
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CLARIFICATION

The correct number for ordering Design - The Heart of a Garden by Helen Talvacchio is (248) 643-8664

Take proper care of your trees Crime prevention kit offered

From violent storms to excessive or absent rainfall, trees must withstand a great deal. Homeowners can protect their trees from any type of weather by being proactive. By instituting a program of routine pruning, you can help prevent damage due to falling limbs. Regular pruning removes dead, decaying or broken branches, as well as reducing wind resistance. Pruning out dead branches discourages secondary damage from pests and diseases. Cabling is the

installation of flexible steel strands between branches. It protects trees by transferring the weight of a weak branch to a stronger one, which prevents limbs from breaking during rough weather. Bracing helps prevent the splitting of large limbs from the main trunk. The technique uses screw rods, washers and nuts to secure limbs and allow bark to grow and reinforce the area. Fight drought. Signs of drought stress include yellowing, wilting of foliage, under-

sized leaves, leaf scorch and premature fall coloration. Trees should be watered within the perimeters of any local water restriction during periods of drought. Young trees in particular should be mulched with organic products such as weed chips, shredded bark or pine needles under the canopy of the tree to prevent water loss. Water under the dripline of the tree, where most of the feeder roots occur, until the soil is moist 10-12 inches from the soil surface. Lay a hose under the canopy and let hose run slowly until soil moisture is achieved in that area. Move hose until all areas are well-watered. Letting a lawn sprinkler run under the dripline is also a good way to get moisture to the root zone. Check for moisture with a soil probe or use a shovel or trowel within the root zone. Avoid fertilizing during periods of drought as root burn can occur. In early fall or spring, fertilize with a slow-release fertilizer to encourage growth of root which were lost during the drought.

Crime prevention officers, police and community/neighborhood leaders can now request a free copy of the home safety and property crime prevention kit, The Key to Home Security.

This safety kit features a home security VHS video with security expert Bob Stuber, who explains how families can improve home safety by more than 50 percent.

In addition to the video, the kit includes a Grade-1 deadbolt for use in neighborhood crime prevention meetings, and printed safety literature that can be reproduced and distributed.

Send written requests to The Key to Home Security, 19701 DaVinci, Lake Forest, CA 92610, or visit www.kwikset.com/safeandsound/.

Here is a tip sheet on The Keys to Home Security:

- Lock all of your home's entryways during the day and night. One in three burglaries are through unlocked doors and windows.
- Use ANSI Grade-1 dead-

bolt locks on all exterior entrances.

Use solid core doors and secure them with top-quality door hardware.

Use motion-activated lighting for yards and porches. The animation of the light creates a psychological barrier for criminals.

Use glass brick around entryways and secure grates onto door sidelights.

Where building codes allow, install double-cylinder deadbolts that are opened with a key from inside and outside.

Maintain the appearance of occupancy when away by using timers on lights, televisions and radios.

Have a neighbor pick up newspapers and mail rather than submitting stop-service orders.

Start a Neighborhood Watch Program and get to know your neighbors' names and faces.

Never hide keys under a doormat, in planters or taped above a doorjamb. Only leave

keys with trusted neighbors or family.

Be proactive about informing police and neighbors about strangers in private yards or people near windows or scouting parked cars. Call 911 if an emergency threatens human life or property.

Empty TV, computer and stereo boxes in the trash tempt criminals.

New homeowners should re-key or replace all exterior door locks so former owners and their guests don't have access to the home.

Only 23 percent of new homeowners change the locks to their new home.

The Key to Home Security tips are provided by Kwikset, a Black & Decker company and a leading door hardware manufacturer of deadbolts, handlesets, knobs and levers.

For more home security tips and information about high-quality home security door hardware, visit www.kwikset.com or call (800) 327-LOCK.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

Sealed bids enclosed in an envelope which has been sealed and clearly labeled with the words "2003 Water Main Improvements Contract No. 2 - Sussex and Heritage Park" along with the name, address, phone number of the Contractor, the date and time of bid opening will be received by the Charter Township of Canton Clerks Office, 1st Floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, October 2, 2003, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud for the following described project:

Water main replacement on Sussex and a portion of Hillsboro along with a new installation on Heritage Park Drive. The project involves the construction of 3,310 lineal feet of an 8-inch HDPE water main by method of directional bore, reconnection of 47 water service leads, removal and replacement of 6,100 square feet of concrete driveways and sidewalks, installing fire hydrants and gate valves in wells, restoration, and other miscellaneous work.

Bid documents are available to pick at Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May Inc, 3959 Research Park Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108 starting Thursday, September 18, 2003. A non-refundable fee of forty-five dollars (\$45.00) will be charged for the bid packet. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check, money order, or a bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the proposal.

Bid Documents are on file for review at Canton Township Public Works Building, Construction Association of Michigan, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge and Reed Construction Data.

The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, and accept only the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

TERRY G BENNETT, CLERK

Publish: September 18, 2003

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

Sealed bids enclosed in an envelope which has been sealed and clearly labeled with the words "2003 Water Main Improvements Contract No. 1 - Ridge Road and Saltz Road" along with the name, address, phone number of the Contractor, the date and time of bid opening will be received by the Charter Township of Canton Clerks Office, 1st Floor, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, October 2, 2003, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud for the following described project:

Water main construction on Ridge Road, north of Cherry Hill and along Saltz, west of Centennial Drive. The project involves the construction of 2,906 lineal feet of 12-inch and 1,402 lineal feet of 8-inch ductile iron water main, removal and replacement of 6,945 square feet of concrete driveways and sidewalks, installing fire hydrants and gate valves in wells, restoration, and other miscellaneous work.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May Inc, 3959 Research Park Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48108 starting Thursday, September 18, 2003. A non-refundable fee of forty dollars (\$40.00) will be charged for the bid packet. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cashier's check, certified check, money order, or a bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the proposal.

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TERRY G BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA SEPTEMBER 25, 2003

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals THURSDAY, September 25, 2003 AT 7:30 P.M. The meeting will be held at the Summit on the Park located at 46000 SUMMIT PARKWAY, CANTON, MI 48188. The following Agenda will be discussed:

- Tom Eiden of Richarr-ons Super Drugs, 42433 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187 representing Richardson's Super Drugs, 42433 Ford Road, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 42433 Ford Road, south side of Ford Road between Lilley and Morton Taylor Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 9 1 changing one word on sign. Zone C 2. Parcel # 054 89 0001 013 (Building).
- Donald Oesterwind Jr of Machintie M, 1542 Marlowe, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 1542 Marlowe, north side of Saltz Road between Sheldon and Morton Taylor Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Article 2 00, Section 2 03 A4 and D1 requesting change on square footage. Zone R 5. Parcel # 057 01 0129 002 (Building).
- Patrick Clark of Beacon Sign Company, 19460 Mt Elliott Avenue, Detroit, MI 48234 representing Republic Bank, 2425 East Grand River Avenue, Suite A Lansing, MI 48912. Property located at 6549 Canton Center Rd N, west side of Canton Center Road between Hanford Road and Warren Road. The ordinance being appealed is Sign Ordinance 120 Section 2 2 6 and 2 7 Section 5 19 Section 9 9 1 regulates setbacks for signs. Zone C 2. Parcel # 033 99 0009 711 (Building).
- Dennis Robare of Dennis P Robare Architects PC, 45000 Joy Road, Plymouth Twp, MI 48170 representing Jeffrey and Barbara Felts, 6845 Woonsocket Drive, Canton, MI 48187. Property located at 6845 Woonsocket Drive, S side of Warren Road between Morton Taylor and Canton Center Roads. The ordinance being appealed is Zoning Ordinance Schedule of Regulations Article 26 00 Section 26 02, minimum rear setback. Zone R 5. Parcel 037 03 0059 000 (Building).

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

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CANTON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING EXPANSION FURNITURE - PURCHASE

Specifications are available for pick up at 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, MI 48188 on the third floor of the administration building at the Finance & Budget counter. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

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CANTON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING EXPANSION FURNITURE - INSTALLATION

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TERRY G BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - SEPTEMBER 9, 2003

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, September 9, 2003 at 46000 Summit Parkway. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Bennett, Burdiazak, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Shefferly. Members Absent: None. Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the amended agenda adding items G 7 and G 8 and deleting item G-4. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the Regular Board Minutes of August 26, 2003. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen's Non Agenda Item Comments: Ms Lynn McFarland of 47650 Saltz Road, Canton, Michigan appeared before the Board with concerns regarding a detention pond being constructed 41 feet from her house. Kevin Chin owns the property where the pond is being constructed. Ms McFarland is concerned about flooding on her property and the upkeep of the pond. She asked the Board to help by requiring some type of maintenance be performed on the pond to keep trash bugs and animals down. Ms McFarland submitted a formal letter with her concerns to the Board.

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Yack offered to meet with the Planner to inquire about any possible modifications and then get back with Ms McFarland with the results.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Fund	101	\$524,223 72	
Fire Fund	206	38,670 15	
Police Fund	207	120,962 12	
Summit Operating	208	89,437 47	
Street Lighting	219	15,729 93	
Cable TV Fund	230	1,896 24	
E 911 Utility	261	1,623 64	
Auto Forfeiture(w/watee)	267	16,761 75	
Federal Grants Fund	274	140 00	
Cap Proj Summit Const	402	691 00	
Cap Proj Road Paving	403	102,036 56	
Bldg Auth Construction	469	1,330 96	
Golf Fund	584	46,783 75	
Water & Sewer Fund	592	130,696 45	
Trust & Agency Fund	701	6,525 00	
Post Employ Benefits	736	1,323 11	
Total - All Funds		1,098,831.86	

Citizen Recognition: Supervisor Yack presented a citizen citation to Carl Douglas Church for coming to the aid of a police officer. Supervisor Yack presented citizen citations to Jamie Warren and David Pierce for their efforts in saving the life of a young person.

PRESENTATION: Item 1. Growth Works Presentation. Dale Yugala, Tom Fielder, Mayor of Belleville and April Wincott gave a presentation on behalf of Growth Works.

PUBLIC HEARING: Item 1. Hold the Public Hearing on the Roll and Consider Adopting Resolution #5 for the Paving of Lotz Road, South of Michigan Avenue SAD. Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo at 7:52 pm to open the public hearing for comments regarding Resolution #5-Paving of Lotz Road, South of Michigan Avenue SAD. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms Lisa Walker of 4190 Lotz Road, Canton, Michigan, speaking on behalf of the group of homeowners that live on Lotz Road. The main concerns of the homeowners are that the bids did not come in low enough. At this time Ms Walker indicated the homeowners are not interested in the SAD given the current fact statement.

Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo at 8:12 pm to close the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett to table the request to adopt Resolution #5. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C1. Special Community Event Status and the Installation of Signs for Delta Kappa Gamma's Annual Craft Fair. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status for Delta Kappa Gamma's annual craft fair and grant permission to install signs advertising the event. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C2. Budget Amendment - Federal Grants Fund 2003 Community Development Block Grant. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendment in the Federal Grants Fund for the FY 2003 Community

Development Block Grant program. Increase Revenues \$436,000 / Increase Appropriations \$436,000. This budget amendment increases the Federal Grants Fund budget from \$386,298 to \$822,298. Motion carried unanimously.

Item C3. Resolution Defining a Day of Work for MERS Retirement Purposes. Firefighter Union Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the Resolution for Defining a Day of Work or Hours Per Month for MERS Retirement Purposes for the Firefighters Union employees. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G1. Consider Award of Construction for the Paving of Lotz Road, South of Michigan Avenue to Six-S. Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to table the request to consider award of Construction for the Paving of Lotz Road. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G2. Consider Authorizing the Township Clerk to Sign the Contract with Smith Group JJR to Provide Professional Services on the Fellows Creek Naturalization Project. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdiazak to authorize the Township Clerk to sign the contract for professional services with Smith Group JJR for the design and construction management of the Fellows Creek Naturalization Project in the amount of \$239,920.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G3. Approve Purchase of Editing Recorder Players for Cable Studio. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to cancel the award of the bid for the purchase of the SONY DVCAM STUDIO EDITING RECORDER-PLAYERS to B&H Photo Studio and further move to award the bid for the purpose of the equipment to Roscor in the amount of \$46,900. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G4. Approve Resolution Adopting MERS Pension Plan. [Removed from the agenda]

Item G5. Award Bid for Purchase of 100 Poll-master Voting Booths with Light. Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the purchase of 100 Pollmaster I Voting Units and award the bid to Miller Consultations & Elections Inc, 6318 Iroquois Road, Pentwater, MI 49449, for \$17,995.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G6. Purchase of Educational Training Coupons from New Horizons. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdiazak to approve the purchase of training coupons from New Horizons not to exceed \$16,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item G7. Consider Agreement Between Canton Township, Cherry Hill Investors, LLC and Uptown Investors, LLC. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to execute the agreement with Cherry Hill Investors, LLC and Uptown Investors, LLC outlining the financing arrangements for the Cherry Hill Road Paving and Street Scape Improvements. Motion carried 6-1. Roll Call: Ayes: Bennett, Burdiazak, McLaughlin, Zarbo, Kirchgatter, Yack, Nays: Shefferly.

Item G8. Consider Reimbursement Resolution and Award of Construction Contract for the Paving of Cherry Hill Road and Ridge Road West of Denton Road. Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the Reimbursement Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the construction of Cherry Hill Road and Ridge Road to Cadillac Asphalt LLC in the amount of \$1,645,056.90 to authorize the Clerk to execute the contract documents. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to reimburse Wade Trim for inspector days performed as provided in the contract and that a separate purchase order be opened in the amount of \$37,500 for 75 inspector days. This amount shall be subtracted from the original contract and a separate purchase order be opened. In addition, authorize finance and budget to subtract any additional costs based on the per day rate of \$500.00 for an inspector day if the contractor exceeds the number of specified inspector days in the contract or transfer the unused inspector days remaining money to the contractor as a bonus if the project is completed under the number of inspector days specified in the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

OTHER: There will be no study session next week.

ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 9:15 pm.

THOMAS J YACK, Supervisor

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188 during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.cantonmi.org after Board approval.

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Take gloves off to clean allergens

(NAPS) - For many homeowners, the "white glove" has become the ultimate test of whether their home is clean.

However, the glove only scratches the surface and may not always be a good indicator of a home's true cleanliness.

One thing missed by the white glove test - allergens. Allergens are present in every home and aren't easily detectable.

Whether they come from dust mites that live throughout the house, pet dander that can be spread from room to room even if you don't own a pet, or other sources in your home, managing these allergens can be a real challenge.

And, they can be especially hard to reduce in upholstered furniture, bedding, curtains, window treatments, area or throw rugs and other soft surfaces, which can make up to 75 percent of the surfaces found throughout the house.

'Many people associate allergens only with being outside during the spring and summer months, but allergens are actually present indoors all year long. It is important to take steps to reduce allergens in your home, including those released from fabrics and other soft surfaces.'

Bill McLin
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America

"Many people associate allergens only with being outside during the spring and summer months, but allergens are actually present indoors all year long," said Bill McLin, executive director of the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America (AAFA).

"It is important to take steps to reduce allergens in your home, including those released from fabrics and other soft surfaces."

There are a number of measures people can take to reduce allergens in their homes, many

of which can be incorporated easily into an existing home cleaning routine.

According to the AAFA, homeowners can:

■ Regularly replace filters on forced-air furnaces or central air conditioners

■ Frequently dust hard surfaces - including ceiling fans, blinds, floors and furniture - with an electrostatic cloth that attracts and traps allergens

■ Wash all bedding - pillowcases, sheets, comforters, mattress pads, and blankets - in hot water (130 degrees)

every week

■ Use an allergen-reducing spray, like Febreze Allergen Reducer, on soft surfaces and upholstered items - like couches, throw pillows, curtains, carpeting and pet beds - to reduce the amount of allergens from cats, dogs and dust mites that become airborne from those surfaces

■ Regularly clean rooms in the home that have high humidity, including bathrooms, the kitchen and the basement

For more cleaning tips on how to reduce allergens in your home, the experts at the AAFA and Febreze have developed a brochure with a variety of cleaning ideas and suggestions.

For a free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to AAFA/Febreze Brochure Offer, P.O. Box 8797, St. Louis, MO 63101-8797. For additional information, visit www.aafa.org or www.febreze.com.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the **District-Wide Trash Bags** Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Dan Phillips in the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416-2746. For technical information, please contact Gerry York in the PCCS Maintenance Department at (734) 416-2955. Sealed bids are due on or before 2:00 p.m. Friday, October 3, 2003. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids, as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

THOMAS WYSOCKI, Secretary
Board of Education

Plymouth Canton Community Schools
Plymouth, September 28 and 25 2003

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 2nd, 2003 for the following:

2003 SIDEWALK GAP PROGRAM

Placement of approximately 21,335 square feet of 4" and 2,054 square feet of 6" concrete sidewalk including ramps, restoration and other related items.

Specifications are available for pick up starting September 18, 2003 at Ayres, Lewis, Norris, & May, Inc. 3959 Research Park Drive, Ann Arbor, MI, 48108, phone (734) 761-1010. A non-refundable plan deposit of forty dollars (\$40.00) will be required for the bid packet. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cashier's check certified check, money order or a bid bond payable to the Owner, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the Proposal as a bid security. Bid documents are available for review at Canton Township Public Works Building, Construction Association of Michigan, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge, and Reed Construction Data. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the bid name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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THOMAS WYSOCKI, Secretary
Board of Education

Plymouth Canton Community Schools

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2003

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present except Mr. Griffith who was excused.

Fire Chief Larry Groth and Assistant Fire Chief Mark Wendel congratulated Charles Van Vleck on his retirement and presented a plaque to him recognizing his 32 years of full time service. Supervisor Mann also made a presentation on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the residents of Plymouth Township and thanked Mr. Van Vleck for his years of dedication.

Supervisor Mann then presented a plaque to Fire Chief Larry Groth on behalf of the Board of Trustees and residents of the Township and congratulated him on his retirement, recognizing his 34 years of full time dedicated service to the community and to the Fire Department.

Chief Groth introduced his family and expressed his thanks to those in the community who have supported his career.

Mrs. Massengill amended the agenda by adding under New Business Item 6 Approval of Resolution calling for Special Election. She then moved to approve the Agenda for the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of Tuesday, September 9, 2003, as amended. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Munfakh requested that the minutes of August 12, 2003 be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.

Mrs. Massengill moved to accept the Consent Agenda for the September 9, 2003 Regular Board of Trustees Meeting as submitted with the exception of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 12, 2003. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Munfakh moved to include the verbatim comments as presented by Mrs. Sharon Chouinard in the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting of August 12, 2003. Supported by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL. Ayes: Munfakh, Arnold, Curm, Nays: Massengill, Edwards. Mann Motion defeated.

Moved by Ms. Arnold, supported by Mr. Edward to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2003, Regular Board of Trustees as submitted. ROLL CALL. Ayes: Arnold, Edwards, Massengill, Mann, Nays: Munfakh. Curm Motion carried.

Mr. Don Schnettler questioned the varying costs of the election reported in the various newspaper ranging from \$10,000 to \$50,000. He also felt comments regarding information being available on the proposed new Township Hall were inaccurate. In his opinion he felt there was poor planning in that no one knows what the Township Hall is going to look like or whether it will have a basement. He also questioned the availability of finances to pay for current projects and a township hall. He continued that he had yet to see the line item budget with the Human Resources intern listed.

Mr. Edwards responded that Mr. Schnettler has not at what revenue sources have been generated and the value of new construction in the community.

Mrs. Sharon Chouinard felt Mrs. Massengill had selectively edited the comments she made at the Board Meeting of August 12 by not recording the incident regarding being unable to pay taxes in cash while computers were down in February, 2003. She said Mr. Edwards approached them after the August 12 meeting and had a printout of 2002 showing processing every day the first week of February. He was told then that the incident occurred in 2003, not 2002 and she would like to see the record that transactions were processed every day though she doesn't know how they could have been since the computers were down. She thinks this is unethical looks to her like a cover up and doesn't think the Board should allow it.

Mrs. Massengill stated that she had synthesized Mrs. Chouinard's letter in the minutes and that a copy of her letter was attached to the minutes.

Mr. Charles McFarland 40182 Ferguson stated that Ferguson is part of the Special Assessment District (SAD) for Robinson Subdivision that the road was supposed to be 26 feet wide with curbs and have a 70 foot frontage however, what he received was 53 foot frontage and a 22 foot wide road with no curbs and no drainage.

Mr. Anulewicz noted the engineer's construction plans were discussed and available at the Public Hearing and at no time was there a description of the paving being wider. The road actually dead ends at the expressway and there is only a 30 ft. right of way.

Mr. McFarland said the road was sold with ice all last winter because of the lack of drainage. It's a crowned road which should be designed to have ditches on both sides for drainage. There are no ditches to accommodate drainage.

Mr. Anulewicz said he looked at the possibility of widening the road an additional two feet which, technically accomplishes nothing else than the satisfaction of the property owner. The cost of that would have been \$25,000.

Mr. Anulewicz said he would like to bring the item back to the Board with the engineers present and discuss the road design.

Mr. Mann opened the Public Hearing at 7:31 p.m. regarding the request for a twelve (12) year Industrial Facilities Exemption for new machinery and equipment for Visteon Corporation.

Mr. Jerry Chouinard stated his objections to the granting of tax abatements. In answer to Mr. Chouinard's question as to why he didn't see Visteon's name listed as a participant on the Rotary Club chicken barbecue box, Mr. Johnson responded with a long list of local organizations to which Visteon contributes. Among others they included providing a soccer field for community youths, the Plymouth Arts Council, Plymouth Symphony United Way and the Rotary Club.

There being no further comment the Public Hearing was closed at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Edwards moved that the Board consider the request from Visteon Corporation and approve Resolution No. 03-09-09-29 granting a twelve (12) year Industrial Facilities Exemption for machinery and equipment for their facility located at 14425 Sheldon Road. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mr. Mann opened the Public Hearing at 7:49 p.m. regarding the request to transfer Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #2002-073 from TRAM, Inc. to TGR Technical Center LLC.

Ms. Pauline Milchcamp of the Michigan Economic Development Commission expressed their support for this request.

There being no further comment, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:51 p.m.

Moved by Mr. Munfakh to approve Resolution No. 03-09-09-30, granting the request to transfer Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate #2003-073 from TRAM, Inc. to TGR Technical Center, LLC. The facility is located on Lots 2, 3 and 4 Plymouth Corporate Park. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL. Ayes: Munfakh, Arnold, Curm, Massengill, Mann. Nays: Curm. Motion carried.

A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

On behalf of his client, Alhe Fayz, Mr. David Birchler of Birchler Arroyo Associates requested withdrawal of the request for the rezoning of the property on the southeast corner of Powell and Napier Roads from R 1 E, Single Family Residential, to R 1 S, Single Family Residential.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve the COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULE OF FEES, Charter Township of Plymouth, Division of Public Services as presented. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Ayes all.

A copy of the Schedule is available in the Clerk's Office for public perusal.

Mr. Munfakh received permission to abstain from voting on the following item.

Mrs. Massengill moved to receive and file WTUA 2004 Annual Budget and adopt Resolution No. 03-09-09-31. Seconded by Mr. Arnold. Ayes all with Mr. Munfakh abstaining. Motion carried.

A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2003-04 to repeal the Uniform Traffic Code, Ordinances No. 29, LXV 65, 73-A 73 and all amendments and Ordinances C 91 14 and C 95 06. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. ROLL CALL. Ayes: Arnold, Edwards, Massengill, Munfakh, Mann. Nays: Curm. Motion carried.

A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. C 2003 05 adopting by reference of the revised Uniform Traffic Code for Michigan Cities, Townships and Villages provisions of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code and provisions of the Michigan Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL. Ayes: Massengill, Arnold, Edwards, Munfakh, Mann. Nays: Curm. Motion carried.

A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mr. Edwards moved to approve Change Order No. 1 on the Contract with Dumas Concepts in Building for the Spraycape and Skating Rink Projects increasing the Contract by \$533,45 for a new total of \$254,274.30 and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute same. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill. Ayes all.

Mr. Arnold moved to approve the 2004 Board of Trustee Meeting dates as outlined in Option 1 as follows:

January 13	July 13
February 10 & 24	August 10
March 09 & 23	September 14 & 28
April 13 & 27	October 12 & 26
May 11 & 25	November 09
June 08 & 22	December 14

Work sessions and/or special meetings will be held on the first and/or third Tuesday of the month unless otherwise posted.

All meetings commence at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Meeting Room located in the east wing of Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road unless otherwise posted. Seconded by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved that Resolution No. 03-09-09-32 be approved, establishing Thursday, November 6, 2003 for Special Election to determine if the Township should sell General Obligation Capital

Improvement Board for the purpose of paying part of the cost of acquiring, constructing and equipping a new Township Hall and site improvements and appurtenances related thereto. Seconded by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all on a roll call vote.

A copy of Resolution No. 03-09-09-32 is attached to the official copy of the minutes on file in the Clerk's office.

Mr. Mann once again thanked Charles Van Vleck and Fire Chief Groth for their many years of dedicated service to the Fire Department.

He noted Board Members have received the 2003 Amended Budget and the 2004 Recommended Budget. These items will be discussed at study sessions in October.

Ms. Arnold commented that Emergency Management did a wonderful job during the recent blackout. She thanked Mr. Edwards for getting Ann Arbor Road back on line.

Mrs. Sharon Chouinard said that Mrs. Massengill stated that her letter dated August 12, 2003, is attached to the selectively edited minutes where it will remain unless someone removes it. She didn't know how Mrs. Massengill would be able to keep that from happening. She doesn't understand how attaching it to the back of the minutes makes it part of the official record. She also wanted to know what gives Mrs. Massengill the right to edit in her favor a submitted letter from a citizen. She doesn't understand how Mrs. Massengill can ethically edit those minutes.

Mrs. Massengill stated once again that she has not done anything unethical. She made the letter a part of the permanent record as Mrs. Chouinard had asked. The only way it would be removed is if someone comes into the office and removes it.

Attorney Cronn noted that under State Law the Township Board approved in effect, a summary or outline of what occurred at the meeting. It's always a synopsis - never a complete recitation. Verbatim minutes are seldom used, though they can be. A Clerk has a tremendous amount of discretion in terms of including anything other than a basic outline of items that were discussed and the votes that were taken. That is the permanent record.

Mr. Munfakh requested officially that Mr. Cronn consult with the Attorney General's office and give the Board an opinion as far as whether minutes have to be approved by the Township Board or not.

Mr. Cronn said he would provide for him the legal opinion from the Michigan Townships Association.

Mr. Munfakh said he would write to the Attorney General personally and ask as a Township Trustee, to give him an opinion on it.

Mr. Cronn said characteristically it would be a State Legislator who would request an opinion from the Attorney General.

Mr. Munfakh said his recollection is that when somebody requests that a statement be included in the minutes, it is usually done.

Mrs. Massengill defended her ethics and Mr. Munfakh agreed that he has always known her to be an ethical and honest person.

Ms. Arnold said she did not have a problem with one of the Board members wanting something in the minutes but she agreed that everything can not be recorded in the minutes.

Mr. Mann agreed that the minutes should be kept as brief as possible. The Michigan Townships Association, which represents 1243 townships in the state, recommends that you have the date of the meeting and the business that transpired not verbatim minutes. He believes verbatim minutes create extra work and extra expense for publication.

Mr. Chouinard asked why Mrs. Massengill couldn't have just utilized the paper the way it was and published it in the newspaper and on the web site.

Mrs. Massengill stated she summarized the two page letter as is done with public comments, and a copy of the letter is attached to the minutes.

Mr. Edwards said he has a problem with this whole process. He said at the next Board meeting he would like the videotapes from the July and August meetings to be played to confirm exactly what the Chouinards said. He would request it as an agenda item so this issue could be resolved.

Mrs. Massengill moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Mann adjourned the meeting at 9:48 p.m.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

STEVEN MANN, Secretary
Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting held on September 9, 2003. The full text is available in the Clerk's office for public perusal. The minutes will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting held on September 23, 2003.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township Meetings to individuals with disabilities at the Meetings/hearings upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the following Supervisor's office: 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone number (734) 354-3200 TDD units 1-800-649-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

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Unique and antique

23rd Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition highlights collectibles

BY KEVIN BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Blame it on TV's *Antiques Roadshow*. Now everybody thinks they have that million-dollar treasure in their basement, said Royal Oak antique dealer Joseph Del Gudice. Those with a new passion for 'They'll see everything from ancient Chinese art to expensive European furniture to very affordable American furnishings to 19th century African objects - tribal masks, baskets, musical instruments and weaponry.'

Michael Butler show organizer

antiques and long time antique lovers will be on hand Sept. 19-21 for the 23rd Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition, one of the biggest shows in Metro Detroit. The show offers predictable antique show fare, including old campaign buttons and fine antique jewelry, and unique items including African antiques. They'll see everything from ancient Chinese art to expensive European furniture to very affordable American furnishings to 19th century African



African masks are among the more exotic items available at the 23rd Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition

objects - tribal masks, baskets, musical instruments and weaponry, said show organizer Michael Butler. Five appraisers will be on hand to rate antiques brought in by the public. Some charge for the service but some do it for free. We know West Nile Virus is carried by mosquitos. But how does one catch the fever to covet antiques? I think it's the treasure hunting aspect, the chase and hunt thing, Del Gudice said. There's a compulsion

to collect a certain thing. Some people are looking for one piece to be the star of their collection. There is a growth in appraisals and a growth in attendance, said Butler. People are a lot more curious. Del Gudice notes there has been a surge of interest in trading antiques on the Web site eBay. It has got its place but going to a show you can feel and touch it's a lot more hands on. Many who love antiques

appreciate craftsmanship not as evident in today's new furniture or other furnishings. 'I do business with people who are decorating their home,' Del Gudice said. The definition of antique can vary. The U.S. Customs Service identifies an antique as at least 100 years old. 'Some say the item has to be older than 25 years, there is no set definition,' Butler said. Generally shows nowadays are in reathy antiques and collectibles.

Dealers agree that the value of an antique is based on demand like anything else in the marketplace. An item from the 16th century might go for \$500, but a rare Monkees school lunch box from the 1960s can go for much more. Del Gudice said that while such nostalgia items bring big bucks today, traditional blue chip antiques - fine silver, paintings and more - are likely to hold value longer. There is broad interest in jewelry, china, glass and furniture, Butler said.

Del Gudice notes a trend toward interest in 'shabby chic' furniture and accessories. It could be older painted furniture where the paint has some age to it. Textiles are now in that category depending on the look, metal furniture and lots of floral design items are in that category. Another popular trend is antique garden items. They're now used both in the home and outdoors - gargoyles and decorative pieces.

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Good habits



Schools aim at offering healthy choices for lunch



BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

Meal planning is tough enough for families, but imagine the difficulty of trying to cater to the likes of an entire school district of children, trying to keep in mind federal health standards, escalating statewide obesity rates and other health issues.

We have to work on ways to make fruits and vegetables more attractive, and we have to remove some of the ala carte items, explains T.J. Buchholz, Michigan Department of Education public information officer.

Kids will only make healthy choices if only healthy choices are given them, he adds.

Birmingham school district sees proof of that logic.

We've cut back in the elementaries on the ala carte items, explains David Andrejko, general manager of the food service for Sodexo, a company that provides lunches for Birmingham, Plymouth-Canton, Romulus, Berkley and other Michigan school districts.

Elementary schools in the Birmingham School District offer 15 some snack items including Pepperidge Farms goldfish, cheddar popcorn, sun chips, low-fat Cheetos, crackers, Nutri gran bars, as well as Hi-C fruit roll-ups and chews with 10 percent juice.

But the most popular snacks students choose are the three most unhealthy items: doughnuts, brownies and Ho-Hos.

Still, it isn't hopeless, Andrejko says. Kids are finding healthy things to eat at school, too. In fact, a few years ago, high school students in the Birmingham school district asked for a salad bar, which has become popular.

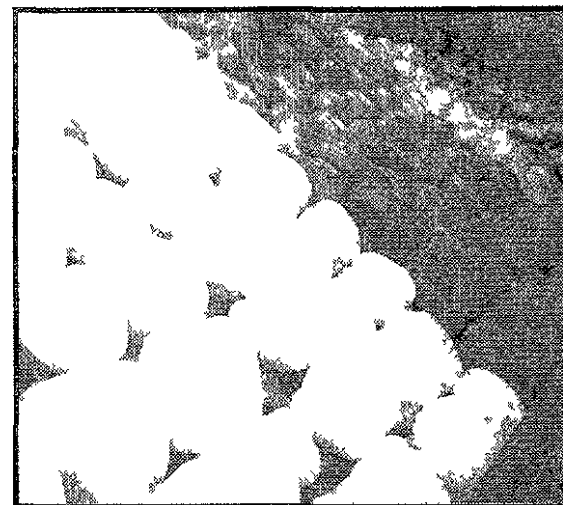
We fill the bar twice a day, Andrejko says, adding that homemade soups are also offered.

We're not only doing hamburgers and fries, he adds. We have a daily fiesta with a Mexican theme, and on any given day you can get tacos.

PLEASE SEE LUNCH, D2

Ann Pedersen (left) and Helen Kaneris count out chicken nuggets into trays for packing - seven nuggets for adults, five nuggets for students. Top: Nadia Lebedeff opens chicken nugget packages in preparing lunches for Livonia students at the Food Service at Wilson building on West Chicago.

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Peppers can be sliced up for lunch. See recipe inside for stuffed peppers.

Fill lunches with freshly harvested fruit

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Parents struggling for ideas of what to feed their children need look no further than a local produce market.

And what better time than the fall harvest for them not only to enjoy fruits for a snack or part of a lunch, but vegetables for those meals in the evenings?

Joe Maiorana, owner of Joe's Produce in

PLEASE SEE PRODUCE, D4

Get creative, and they'll eat

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

SPECIAL WRITER

Creativity is the key to getting your kids to eat right, according to Sherril Isaak, a dietitian at St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

Consider pita sandwiches, raw vegetables — like baby carrots and celery sticks — your child's favorite fruits, like frozen grapes or boxed raisins, yogurt and fruit juices, she says. Other popular ideas are low fat mozzarella cheese sticks, whole grain crackers and muffins.

Parents should try to include at least three of the five food groups in their children's lunches.

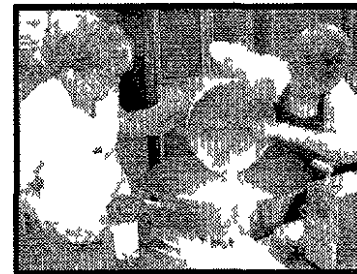
Four is even better, she says. You can bet your \$2 lunch money that smoothies and reindeer sandwiches won't get traded or end up in the garbage heap piled with bologna and liverwurst sandwiches.

Smoothies made from fruit, yogurt and milk will stay cold in a Thermos or other insulated container. The milk and fruit also count for two of the five food groups, which includes grains, vegetables, fruit, dairy and protein — like meat, eggs and beans.

Many times the most eaten, nutritional items can rise on the excitability scale if they're given the right names and have a neat presentation, Isaak says.

Instead of the same old peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, try mixing things up a bit with rein-

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Maryanne Reiman (left) and cook Pat Siedlaczek dump mashed potatoes into a pan.

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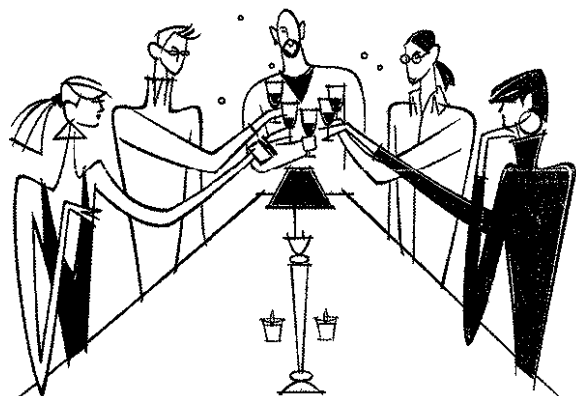
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nachos and taco salad. Oddly enough, once you add lettuce and tomato and cheese, it's a healthy choice.

"It's an extreme challenge, because we look at the food program in two ways. We want to provide a healthy nutritional lunch and provide choices and quality that the kids are not leaving."

GOOD FOOD, GOOD GRADES

Providing healthy meals at school is a concern throughout the state.

"We take this very seriously, because it's very important to the learning process that kids have nutritious meals available and it's proven to help their academic achievement," says Gary Martin, Wayne-Westland Community Schools assistant superintendent for business and finance.

Concern about school lunches stems from alarming statistics released earlier this year by the University of Michigan showing that Michigan children are heavier than children from the rest of the country.

Thirty-three percent of Michigan girls and 34 percent of Michigan boys are overweight. The numbers get worse: 18 percent of Michigan girls between the ages of 12 and 18 and 19 percent of boys in the same age group are considered obese. Nationwide, 15 percent of children in the country are overweight.

Beside the self-esteem issues that sometimes burden overweight kids, there are other serious maladies linked to excessive weight, like heart disease and diabetes.

A lot of issues play a role in making children in Michigan the heaviest in the country, like the physical education programs, diet at home and school, exercise outside school and instruction about healthy lifestyles, Bucholz says.

Meanwhile, pizza is the biggest seller among all the schools in Livonia, but it's made with low-fat mozzarella cheese and really isn't unhealthy, explains Martha Terry, Livonia Public Schools food service supervisor, which also serves all of Garden City schools. In the elementary schools, chicken nuggets and French toast sticks are also popular. Anything that has a Mexican theme is a hit in the high schools.

Kids are eating healthier nowadays, too," Terry says. They're taking fresh fruit and purchasing salads. They love roll-up sandwiches in the high schools.

Districts are forced to provide healthy meals to receive federal reimbursements through the National School

Lunch and School Breakfast programs, which give schools money when they meet Department of Agriculture nutritional standards. Schools receive cash subsidies for each meal they sell meeting federal regulations, which recommend no more than 30 percent of an individual's calories should come from fat and less than 10 percent from saturated fat. The lunches also must provide one-third of the recommended daily allowances of protein, vitamins and calories.

FAST COMPETITION

The biggest competition for students' taste buds is the fast food restaurants, says Tom Makino, food service director for Wayne-Westland Community Schools, which is provided by Aramark.

To make meals more attractive, "We market to students," Makino says. For instance, One World Café was created in the cafeterias to make the area more inviting to students.

Meals there mirror the popular fast food chains and offer pizza, chicken nuggets, nachos and other Mexican foods, mozzarella sticks and chicken fingers. A lot of the menus developed are what teens might see when they're at the mall.

In an effort to win students back, Aramark also brings in cartoon characters to explain nutrition to elementary school children. Children and teenagers at the middle and high school levels are offered health classes where they discuss food health and nutrition.

"We're shifting our menu to meet the kids' needs and, quite frankly, they are becoming more health conscious," Martin explains.

An offerings bar, for instance, gives kids a chance to pick salads and fruits.

The district also works with focus groups in which students identify what they like and dislike. Students in the district have affected change by requesting more bottled water, juices and certain vegetables. Aramark does a lot of marketing and research to see what students prefer," Martin says. "There's a nutrition review done on a yearly basis."

You can give students options, but you can't force them to always make the right choices.

There's just so many things you can legislate, Bucholz says. "You can't legislate empathy, caring and love. For the kids to develop healthy eating habits, they have to learn it at home."

You can't blame record levels of obesity among Michigan children on school lunches alone, he says, adding that in some districts, the school lunches are the only decent meal students get in a day.

A couple of years ago, the Michigan Board of Education

adopted a plan to become a national model that promotes helping young people make healthy lunch choices and offering an increased emphasis on physical education. A problem, Bucholz says, is that schools are shaving off minutes from the lunch hour and physical education to meet educational demands.

"If you work 8 (a.m.) to 5 (p.m.), chances are good you get at least a half-hour lunch," Bucholz says. A 30-minute lunch is a long lunch in some Michigan schools, where children are expected to finish their midday meal in 10 to 12 minutes.

"And that's too short a time," Bucholz emphasizes. "We continually redo guidelines for what is appropriate for school lunches and physical education. Some kids only get physical education once a week."

What's the sense of trying to produce kids who are smart if they're unhealthy? wonders Bucholz.

"You can't learn math, language arts and science if you're dead," he says. "We have a high percentage of students that have other diseases that come with obesity, like Type 2 diabetes. This is a major issue and something that we have to address in the next five years."

Districts are going to reduce the a la carte items and reduce carbonated beverages. The only focus we have is the health of the children and teaching them how to make healthy choices. Somewhere we get disconnected about what kids need to eat. It's not real popular in some districts."

Students always are encouraged to take some of everything that is being offered in the lunch line, Andrejko says. But ensuring that they're actually eating it is another issue.

This year, Andrejko says, there will be four side dishes offered daily, which is up from two choices in the past.

We felt that with everyone worried about healthy eating habits that if they saw more selections they may be more apt to make healthy selections, he adds. "We need to educate kids about what's good and what's not good."

Referring to his six children, Andrejko says, it's a challenge to get teenagers to eat well. Even if the schools didn't offer unhealthy snacks, that wouldn't keep students from packing those items in their lunches from home, he adds.

It's a two-way street," Andrejko says. "It also has to be done by parents at home and the kids have to make healthy choices."

If you teach them healthy habits when they're young, it will work, he says.

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Children know what they should eat

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
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Even the youngest children among us seem to know exactly what a healthy lunch looks like.

Many times that's not what they're seeing kids bring to school.

In fact, they talked about a lot of healthy ingredients. Getting your kids involved in deciding what goes in their lunches is a key ingredient to packing foods they will eat, according to dietitians. We asked students what their ideal lunch would be. Surprisingly, most didn't want a sack full of junk.

Take, for instance, Alex Marks, a 16-year-old Plymouth resident who is a junior at University of Detroit Jesuit High School and Academy. Often he has peanut butter

and jelly sandwiches, nuts for protein, a large drink and yogurt. The most important thing to remember is that no matter what is in his lunch, he's definitely going to be hungry at that time.

"I've been getting up so early that a bigger lunch is important," Marks says.

Logan Wilt, 6, of Westland recently entered first grade at Hayes Elementary School in Livonia. He is eating some of his first lunches at school. He loves spending time during the midday meal with his pals at school.

"It's just fun," Logan says. "The best lunch I could ever get would be pizza," he says.

Three of the four Morasso children, of Livonia, would choose pizza as their favorite main entrée for lunches at school.

Theresa, a 10th-grade student at Ladywood High School, says her dream lunch would be pizza, pop and a muffin. If she packed lunch for children, however, she would "probably give them carrots, a fruit, sandwich, a 100 percent

juice box and a snack." "That's what my mom gives me," she adds.

Her sister, Katie, 11, is a seventh-grade student at Riley Middle School. She chooses pizza with juice and fruit for her favorite lunch.

The worst lunch she ever saw someone bring to school was a sandwich and juice "without anything else."

Jimmy, 13, would love to get to the lunch room table and open a bag full of pizza, a chocolate malt and watermelon pieces.

He usually gets a sandwich, cookies, a juice box, carrots, fruit (sometimes watermelon) and lots of stuff like that.

The worst lunch he's ever seen a student bring to school was pop and candy.

His brother, John Morasso, 16, is a junior at Catholic Central High School in Redford. The muscular football player says he's content with what he gets: a sandwich with any kind of lunch meat, Gatorade, fruit, a vegetable, a cracker snack and something sweet.

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deer sandwiches Slice a piece of bread diagonally and in half again to create triangles, spread peanut butter to cover one side, add celery sticks for antlers, raisins for eyes and a strawberry or cherry for the nose, according to a recipe provided by the Association for Child Development.

Keep the lunch bag cool by freezing the juice box the night before and adding it before your child leaves for school, Isaak suggests. It keeps the things inside cool and they will have an icy treat at lunch.

Another way to get them to eat their lunches is to have them go to the grocery store and pick out the things they like. Children tend to eat healthier if they have a say in preparing the meal, according to an article prepared by

www.KidsHealth.org. It also gives mom and dad a break. You can also institute a weekly lunch menu. This will make the ritual of making lunches go more smoothly because you've already ensured all the necessary ingredients.

A menu should also prevent you and your child from making last-minute, unhealthy lunch choices.

"Make sure you don't pack an enormous amount of food, because it's overwhelming for a child and they'll trade away all their healthy foods and end up with the cookies, explains Isaak. Try to make sure you pack healthy foods and let them be involved in what they want in their lunch. Ask them, 'Do you want blueberries or straw berries in your lunch?'"

She also advises against packing pop for lunch, instead, send along 100 percent juices. Be aware, she warns, of juice boxes with labels that say 100 percent vitamin C, because that doesn't mean it's 100 percent juice.

"You're missing out on the phytochemicals in the fruit and there's added sugar."

Try to sneak in as much nutrition into the snacks as possible by adding raisins to the chocolate chip cookies, for instance.

"We tend to make a really big deal about dessert, and that's why we all crave those so much," Isaak adds. "It's better to just treat that like every other food."

Don't give up if your kids tend to put their noses up to certain foods that you want them to have.

"Kids need to be offered things many, many times over before they will eat it," Isaak says. "Just because they don't eat it the first time doesn't mean they don't like it. Exposure is a

big thing. Keep serving it. Seasoning can change the taste immensely, she says. Add some lemon juice, garlic and other favorite herbs to spice things up.

Kids often like tuna pitas or tortilla roll ups that are cut in pinwheels. Other kids like hummus, banana bread, macaroni and cheese in a thermos, or bagels with their favorite spread. Melon balls stored in a freezer container can be a big hit, baby carrots with a vegetable dip and dip for your fruit can make the apple more appealing, too.

Eating right will also affect how your child performs at school, according to the American Food Service Association. Foods with carbohydrates, like pasta, rice, bread, cereal, fruits and vegetables, provide glucose, which is the brain's preferred energy source. Since the brain cannot store glucose, it needs a continuous source of fuel from foods.

Protein helps to transmit information from the brain to all parts of the body, and fat is important for brain structure and function, according to AFSA.

A nutrition-packed lunch might make the difference between getting an A or B on a test and even how fast your child runs the mile in gym class.

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Professional chefs now have the opportunity to significantly advance their knowledge and skills in a new post-graduate Culinary Arts degree at Schoolcraft College, initiated in the fall 2003 semester.

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Discover braised escarole with garlic

BY DANA JACOBI
CORRESPONDENT

The chicory family ranges from the aristocratic endive and trendy, burgundy red radicchio to the plebeian dandelion greens.

It also includes the shaggy escarole, a frizzy version the French call frisée and that U.S. markets often label curly endive. Of all these bitter greens, escarole is my favorite. As a child, I didn't like it when my mother tossed chopped escarole into a green salad because it was too bitter for my young palate.

After college, traveling in Europe, I discovered braised escarole, then soup made with escarole and white beans, and I developed a taste for this assertive green.

Flat, flaring heads of escarole, also called 'scarole, or chicory, are a favorite because of their crisp texture, balance between sweet and bitter flavors, and versatility.

Cooking tenderizes escarole nicely. Around the Mediterranean, this usually means sautéing it in a generous amount of olive oil, then adding water and simmering until the escarole melts.

I use a leaner method, one that also mutes its sharpness to a comfortable level for most

Americans

Start by selecting escarole with unblemished leaves, white stems shading up to rich green tops and a generous, pale yellow heart. Cut away or tear off most of the fibrous white portion of the leaves.

Be sure to wash escarole very well, as it grows in sandy soil that leaves unpleasant grit.

Boil the leaves for 5 minutes, less if you like strong-flavored greens, and drain well. This step also lets you then braise the escarole with less oil than otherwise needed.

Try combining braised escarole with a can of white cannellini beans. Use a sharp vinaigrette dressing made with red wine and balsamic vinegar, or try a combination of rice vinegar and grapefruit juice.

BRAISED ESCAROLE WITH GARLIC

2 heads escarole (2 1/4 to 2 1/2 lbs.)
2 Tbs. extra virgin olive oil
4 large garlic cloves, cut lengthwise in thick slices
1 1/2 cups fat free low sodium chicken broth, divided
1/2 tsp. red pepper flakes (optional)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Cut leaves off heads of escarole about 3 inches above the base to remove thick, white stems. Discard bruised leaves.

Fill sink with cold water. Add escarole, swishing leaves vigor-

ously to rinse off sand and grit. Drain and rinse sand from sink. Repeat this procedure. (This can be done up to 4 hours ahead. Shake most of the moisture off greens and store them in a plastic bag in refrigerator.)

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. When water boils, add the escarole. Cook greens 2 minutes.

Transfer greens to a strainer. Run cold water over greens to cool. Drain well. Press greens to extract excess water, then use hands to squeeze greens, in several batches, to remove as much water as possible. Slice each batch of squeezed greens into roughly 1/2- to 1-inch strips.

Heat oil in medium skillet over medium heat. Sauté garlic until golden, about 3 minutes. Turn slices and cook until lightly colored. Remove garlic to a small bowl and set aside. Add escarole to pan, stirring to coat it with oil. Pour in broth and add pepper flakes. Bring liquid to a boil, then immediately reduce heat to a simmer. Cook until escarole is tender, according to taste.

Remove from heat and season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve hot, warm or room temperature, garnished with reserved garlic slices.

Makes 4 servings

Per serving: 109 calories, 7 g total fat (1 g saturated fat), 10 g carbohydrate, 4 g protein, 8 g dietary fiber, 273 mg sodium

Here's other uses of fresh produce

AUTUMN APPLE PIE

2 cups all purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup shortening
6 to 7 tablespoons cold water
1/2 to 3/4 cup sugar
2 tablespoons all purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
dash ground nutmeg
6 to 8 medium apples peeled and sliced (7 1/4 cups)
1/4 cup dried cranberries or cherries or snipped dried apricots or figs or raisins (optional)
2 tablespoons margarine or butter
milk
sugar

For pastry, stir together 2 cups all-purpose flour and salt in a medium bowl. Using a pastry blender, cut in shortening until pieces are the size of small peas. Sprinkle 1 tablespoon cold water over part of mixture, then gentle toss with a fork. Push to side of the bowl. Repeat, using more water, 1 tablespoon at a time, until all is moistened. Divide dough in half. Form each half into a ball.

On a lightly floured surface, flatten one ball of dough with your hands. Using a rolling pin, roll dough from the center to the edge, forming a circle about 12 inches in diameter. Transfer pastry to a 9-inch pie plate. Carefully ease pastry into pie plate, being careful not to stretch it. Roll out remaining ball of dough to a 12-inch circle.

For filling, stir together sugar, 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour, cinnamon, and nutmeg in a large bowl. Add apples and dried fruit, if desired, toss to coat. If apples lack tartness, add 1 tablespoon lemon juice. Transfer apple mixture to pastry-lined pie plate. Trim bottom pastry to the edge of pie plate. Cut margarine or butter into small pieces, place on top of apples.

Make decorative cutouts in top crust to allow steam to escape. Place top crust on filling. Trim to 1/2 inch beyond edge of pie plate. Fold top crust under bottom crust, seal and flute as desired. Brush top crust with milk and sprinkle lightly with sugar. Cover edge of pie with foil to prevent overbrowning.

Bake in a 375° F oven for 30 minutes. Remove foil. Bake 20 to 25 minutes more or until top is golden. Cool on wire rack. Cover and refrigerate any leftovers, and use within 2 days. Makes 8 servings.

Make-ahead tip: Prepare and bake pie. Cool. Cover and chill up to two days.

Nutritional facts per serving: calories 407, total fat 21 g, saturated fat 6 g, cholesterol 8 mg, sodium 163 mg, carbohydrate 54 g, fiber 2 g, protein 3 g, iron 10 percent.

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SUMMER SQUASH

When young and tender, summer squash need only be washed and quartered, put into a steamer or a strainer over a kettle of boiling water, and cooked for about 30 minutes, or until tender. Mash, and season with a little salt, and rich cream or butter. If very watery, press out part of the juice between two colanders before mashing.

STUFFED GREEN PEPPERS

1 large green pepper
1/2 cup cooked lentils, seasoned and drained
garlic powder to taste
1/2 cup tomatoes
1/2 cup fresh mushroom
1/3 cup cooked brown rice
fresh ground pepper to taste

Cut green pepper in half lengthwise, parboil for 5 minutes. Mix all other ingredients together. Place mixture in green pepper. Bake 30 to 45 minutes in 350° F oven. Makes one serving.

PRODUCE

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Livonia, enjoys several varieties of apples, whether they are Northern Spy, Graham Spy, both grown locally, or Washington Fujis or Red Delicious, Golden Delicious, Braeburn or Gala.

"You really can give a consumer a wide range and a great deal of variety," Maiorana said. He might give his son a larger apple, whereas his daughter might prefer a smaller one.

Maiorana said you should look for shiny, unbruised apples.

Red delicious apples should be refrigerated.

Pears also are filling the shelves, as the bartletts and the bosc are harvested. The bartletts arrive in the store

while still green, but then turn slightly yellow as they ripen, Maiorana said. "They're creamy and sweet. Those are a great item."

"I really like to give them whatever is in season," he said, whether it is nectarines, plums, grapes, strawberries or blueberries.

This fall it will be apples, oranges, tangerines and grapes.

Washington peaches are excellent and raspberries make a great simple snack, Maiorana said.

Parents can extend that healthy eating to dinner, too. Fall harvest vegetables include squash, cauliflower, broccoli, peppers and green beans. Then there's spinach, romaine, kale and escarole.

"The darker the color, the more nutrition it has," Maiorana said.

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Baker's cyst refers to a swelling behind the knee. The cause of the swelling is as follows: You make a fluid called synovial fluid from cells of the knee joint capsule lining the knee joint. The joint capsule extends to the back of the knee to provide protection for the tendons that come close together in the back and inner side of the knee.

Normally, just a little fluid enters this back area of the knee joint. However, for reasons not clear, cells lining the back of the knee cap enlarge. This increase in size, coupled with the position of the cells, creates a one-way valve. Fluid can enter but does not leave. The area in back of the knee enlarges, forming the fluid-filled compartment known as a Baker's cyst.

The cyst itself is of little importance. It does not cause any problem for the knee tendons and will not slow your walking or cause you pain. The one troublesome aspect of a Baker's cyst is that it can rupture. When that happens, you have synovial fluid rushing down your lower leg, crowding and pressuring the calf muscles. Then you feel pain and cannot walk normally.

Doctors can control a Baker's cyst. They do so not by taking fluid from the cyst itself. That would only cause the fluid to reoccur. Furthermore, the track of the needle used to remove the fluid would provide a pathway for excess fluid to squirt out with every step you took. Rather, the treatment of choice is to remove fluid from the front of the knee. Afterwards, the fluid cannot accumulate in the back of the joint.

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Bake apple bread to celebrate autumn

One of the most enjoyable experiences in Michigan becomes possible in the next few weeks - apple-picking! To me, the orchards north of Romeo, on a crisp autumn day, are magical.

It seems fitting that, in this weeks column, I try and inspire you to make apple bread. Not the soft spongy kind which is related to banana bread, but a spectacular Artisan loaf, full of flavor, beautifully textured and with a good hearty crust.

It will take you about 18 hours. But before you get worried, let me hasten to tell you that there will be only about 30 minutes of active work. That's pretty good when you consider that you will finish up with two 1 pound loaves-each a masterpiece.

THE EVENING BEFORE:

This is when two easy steps need to be taken.

Step One: Take 1 tablespoon of cracked wheat or cracked rye (both can be found in your neighborhood health food store) and add 2 tablespoons plus 1 teaspoon purified water. Combine them in a bowl. Stir well and cover the bowl with plastic wrap. Then, let the cracked grain soak overnight for 12 hours.

Step Two: This step involves making a pre-ferment. It's not difficult to do. Just sprinkle 1/4 teaspoon of instant yeast over one cup of warm water (between 110-115 degrees F) and let it stand for about 10 minutes.

Next, measure 1 cup plus 3 tablespoons of organic flour into a bowl and mix in 3/4 of a cup of lukewarm water (about 75 degrees F) and add just 2 tablespoons of the yeast water (dispose of the rest.) Combine fairly well and cover this mixture with plastic wrap.

Say goodnight to that mixture and in 12 hours time it



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Gerald Matthes

will have fermented, leaving the surface wrinkled and foamy. The aroma will be enticing and this will be the source of much of the bread's wonderful flavor.

THE MORNING AFTER:

Now you need a large mixing bowl. Into it goes 2 cups of organic flour, a 1/4 cup of whole-wheat flour and 1/4 teaspoon of instant yeast. Add the pre-ferment you made the night before, along with the soaked cracked wheat (or rye, whichever you prefer), 1/2 cup of lukewarm water and 1/2 cup of apple sauce. Mix until the dough is smooth. Then, cover it with plastic wrap and let it rest for 30 minutes. This step allows the dough to relax.

Next, turn out the dough onto a lightly floured work surface. Add 2 teaspoons of salt, 1/2 teaspoon of cinnamon, and 1/2 teaspoon of allspice. Knead until the dough is smooth and soft but no longer sticky. Now, knead 2 ounces of hazelnuts (which you previously toasted in a 350° F oven until lightly brown) as well as 2 ounces of dried Calmyrna figs, which should be stemmed and cut into 1/2-inch pieces.

Finally, knead in 4 ounces of your favorite hard, crisp apple, which should be peeled, cored and cut into 1/2 inch cubes.

At this stage, most of your active work is done. Just place the dough in a bowl at least three times its size and cover it with plastic wrap.

In about three hours the dough will have fermented, expanded and nearly doubled in size.

Lightly flour the dough and your work surface and turn the dough out. Cut it into two equal sized pieces. Loosely round each one and drape plastic wrap over them while they rest and relax for 20 minutes.

After this resting period, shape the two pieces into tight round loaves. Seal the bottom seams and place the loaves, seal side down, onto 2 sheets of parchment paper on a cookie sheet. Cover them again with plastic wrap and proof the loaves until they have expanded. This takes about 1 1/2 to 2 hours.

An hour before the loaves have fully proofed, preheat the oven to 375° F. On the second to the top shelf, place a baking stone and take out the shelf above. Just before baking, spray the oven with a mister. Then slide the loaves (still on the parchment paper) onto the hot stone and spray them with the mister again, and close the door quickly.

Bake the loaves for 20 minutes and rotate them on the stone (few ovens bake evenly.) Close the door and bake them for 20 minutes more. The loaves should be dark, evenly colored all around.

The temptation will be to eat one right away, but try and resist. The flavor will be even better if you allow them to cool on a rack for 30 minutes or more.

Remember, you can make adjustments to this recipe if you wish-as long as you keep quantities the same. For example, you can use raisins instead of figs, toasted almonds instead of hazelnuts and cubed pears (Hard Bosc or Anjou) instead of apples.

Whichever you choose, you will be in for a treat.

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Herbs, bulgur update chicken dinner

BY DANA JACOBI FOR THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

You may remember a time in the past when a formal family dinner took place on Sunday, with two parents plus offspring sitting down at a carefully set table to share roast chicken, mashed potatoes and all the trimmings - dishes we now nostalgically call comfort food.

When roast chicken is served at home today, I will wager that significantly more whole birds are bought that are already cooked and ready to serve, rather than cooked from scratch.

According to U.S. Department of Census 2001 figures, almost 60 percent of American households consist of 26.7 million single households (26 percent) and 34.6 million two-person households (33 percent). And, according to health experts, almost two-thirds of all Americans are either overweight or obese, and need to rethink their eating habits.

This dish is lean, made with

skinless breasts cooked on the rib, which helps keep the meat moist. It needs little salt or added fat to taste irresistible, thanks to an abundance of fresh herbs. And roasting the chicken means it requires little tending as it cooks.

HERBED CHICKEN WITH BULGUR

- 1 Spanish onion thinly sliced
- 2 Tbs finely chopped fresh taragon
- 1 Tbs finely chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 Tbs finely chopped fresh thyme
- 1/2 tsp salt
- Freshly ground pepper
- 1 tsp extra virgin olive oil
- Canola oil cooking spray
- 1 medium skinless and boneless chicken breast about 1 lb
- 1 1/2 cup fat free reduced sodium chicken broth divided
- 1 cup bulgur

Place oven rack in the center of oven. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Arrange onion slices to make a bed in the middle of a small roasting pan. Set aside.

In a small bowl, combine taragon, rosemary, thyme, salt and

pepper. Mix in oil until herbs are coated. Remove 1 tablespoon of mixture and set aside. Lightly coat chicken with cooking spray, then with remaining herbs. Set chicken on the onion in roasting pan. Pour in 1 cup broth. Cover pan loosely with foil.

Bake chicken until tender and juices run clear when thickest part of chicken is pierced with a knife about 20 to 25 minutes. Remove chicken from pan and keep warm, covered with foil. Using a slotted spoon, remove onion and set aside. Pour liquid from pan into a large measuring cup. Add enough of remaining broth to make 2 cups. Place bulgur in a mixing bowl. In a small saucepan, heat broth to a boil. Pour broth over bulgur. Mix in reserved onion and chopped herbs. Let sit, uncovered, until bulgur absorbs liquid and is tender about 30 minutes. Meanwhile, cut chicken into bite-size pieces.


Make a bed of bulgur on serving plate. Top with chicken and serve. Makes 4 servings.

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Newspaper-in-Education Activity Column

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Look through your newspaper to see if there are any stories on local servicemen or servicewomen serving overseas. Write about how their lives may have changed since going overseas to serve our country even though they're not a POW or Missing in Action. What are they craving from home that they can't get overseas? (I.E. My nephew is an MP in Iraq and he really wants some Mountain Dew made with U.S. water. It doesn't taste the same when it's bottled over there. With the 120 degree weather over there it would be nice to have something cool.)

On another note, Victoria Woodhull, the first female candidate for president was born on September 23, 1838. Select a prominent female newsmaker whom you think would make a good president. Assemble stories from the Internet with background information to support your opinion. Write a press release about her candidacy and list her qualifications. Create a campaign slogan, button, and brochure. Plan your candidate's schedule between now and the election, including whom to debate and areas of the country to visit.

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Take a fresh new approach to enter training and learn from a demonstration on preparing and serving breakfast and brunch to your friends at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24 at Pronto's commissary kitchen, 4343 Normandy Court (one block east of Coolidge, just north of 13 1/2 Mile Road (Normandy) in Royal Oak. Class fee is \$25. You must pre-register by calling (248) 549-1519 ext. 0. Other classes offered are: Salmon (Oct. 1), A Taste of Europe (Oct. 8), Autumn Soup (Oct. 15), Comfort Foods (Oct. 22) and Pasta and Wine (Oct. 29).

MFit classes

Fall fruits (apples, berries and pears)

will be highlighted in creating mouth-watering apple snack cake, a baked pancake with raspberries, country pear cake, blueberry flapjacks and cherry berry crumble in this class 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24 at the University of Michigan Health System's East Ann Arbor Health Center Demonstration Kitchen, 4260 Plymouth Road in Ann Arbor. Class fee is \$30. Other classes include Super Snacks and Appetizers with Rebecca Miller of Busch's Market on Wednesday, Oct. 1 and Knife Skills on Oct. 22 (\$35 class fee). For more information, call Nicole Goyarts at (734) 975-4387 ext. 236 or sign up on line www.mfitnutrition.com.

Cuisine du Jour

Chef Randy Emert, executive chef at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester Hills, will demonstrate fall cooking with fish, fowl and fresh fruits and vegetables 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26 at Trevarrow, 1295 Opdyke Road in Auburn Hills. Class fee is \$30 per person. Chef Mario Etamad, senior vice president of Food Service and Hospitality for Palace Sports and Entertainment, will discuss stews and cassoulets 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 23. For information, call (248) 377-2300.

Wine tasting

Enjoy Joe's Produce second annual fall wine tasting with over 100 domestic and imported wines to taste 7-10

p.m. Friday, Oct. 3 at the Italian American Banquet & Conference Center, 39200 Five Mile Road in Livonia. Proceeds go to benefit Angela Hospice Home Care of Livonia. Tickets are \$40 and can be ordered by calling (248) 477-4333 or purchased at Joe's Produce on Seven Mile just east of Farmington Road in Livonia.

Leukemia benefit

McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant of Troy will host Big Island of Hawaii benefit featuring Keith Famie, Survivor 2 contestant at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 1. The event will help support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The Big Island of Hawaii dinner will feature ingredients from the Hawaiian Islands including Kona coffee, macadamia nuts, pineapple, coconuts, papaya and a variety of seafood from McCormick & Schmick's. Famie, host of Keith Famie's Adventures on the Food Network, will collaborate with McCormick & Schmick's Executive Chef Gary Mui on a four-course dinner. The benefit takes place just two weeks before Famie leaves to compete in Ironman in Hawaii on Oct. 18. Famie is raising funds as he competes in the world famous challenge swim, 2.4 miles, biking 112 miles and running a 26.2 mile marathon. The Hawaiian feast begins at 6 p.m.

with cocktails and island-themed hors d'oeuvres. The cost is \$125 per person. Reservations can be made by calling McCormick & Schmick's at (248) 637-6400. Famie's latest book, "You Really Haven't Been There Until You've Eaten the Food," will also be on sale with a portion of the proceeds to benefit the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Learn Asian

Thai and Chinese appetizers, a soup and main dishes will be created in this class 7:15-9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15. Bring a 9 by 13 inch pan with lid and a heatproof soup container. Class will be taught at Smith Elementary School in Troy. Class fee is \$21, food fee is \$5. Call (248) 823-5100 for information.

Make a Gingerbread House

A fun holiday project where each student (grades K-6) creates his/her own gingerbread house using snow-icing, then decorates it with a variety of candies. It makes a wonderful holiday decoration and a great gift (use it as a surprise box and hide gifts of money inside). Each is a unique work of art. The class is presented by Ginger Works and is scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 13 and 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 16 at Derby Middle School, Room 115. The class fee is \$13 per person. For registration and information, please call 248-203-3800.

Parent and child workshop

Together a parent and child will assemble and decorate an extra large gingerbread house, approximately 4 pounds (or about 10 by 12 inches) made of sweet, fragrant gingerbread with lots of icing and candy. Please bring a cardboard box to carry it home. This class will be presented by Ginger Works 10-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 20 at Derby Middle School, Room 115. The class fee is \$30. For registration and information, please call 248-203-3800.

Party Planning Secrets

Learn cutting-edge Manhattan event planning techniques on a budget. Dazzle your guests as you explore the hottest and latest color choices, exciting themes, shortcuts and time savers. The class will be taught by Harold Baldwin 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6 in room F108 at Seaholm High School. The class fee is \$39. For registration and information, please call 248-203-3800.

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Slow simmering veal stars in special dish

With the return of crisp, cool air and colorful fall foliage, we look forward to the comforting aromas of long, slow-simmering dishes. Veal cross cut shanks, tender, flavorful and succulent when braised, are a perfect choice for special family meals or for casual entertaining. The classic occo buco is probably the best-known preparation for veal shanks but, don't limit yourself. Veal's versatility actually lends itself to many seasoning possibilities.

You might not have thought about pairing Asian flavors with veal, but it's a delicious duo. Just try Asian Braised Veal with Wasabi Sauce and experience a unique flavor sensation. The shanks are browned then simmered with garlic, fresh ginger, soy sauce and sake.

Once the veal is cooked to fork-tenderness, the cooking liquid is used to make a sauce to serve with the veal. Wasabi paste, sesame oil, ginger and garlic promise to make this sauce extra special, and impressive for diners. Wasabi, by the way, is the Japanese version of horseradish, with a sharp, pungent, hot flavor. It definitely adds fire to the dish!

To ensure perfect results, follow these easy tips:

- Order veal cross cut shanks in advance from the supermarket, or visit www.vealstore.com to have them delivered to your door!
- Brown the veal slowly so that the browning adheres. The browning adds delicious flavor and also color to the dish.
- Simmer gently, tightly covered. Boiling only toughens the meat, it does not speed the cooking process.

Eat smart and eat well when you enjoy this new veal dish. Chive-flecked mashed potatoes or rice make a great accompaniment for the tender veal and flavorful Wasabi sauce.



ASIAN BRAISED VEAL WITH WASABI SAUCE

- 4 veal cross cut shanks (about 2 1/2 pounds) cut 1 1/2 inches thick
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup chopped onions
- 1/2 cup chopped carrots
- 1/4 teaspoon minced fresh ginger
- 2 cloves minced garlic
- 2 cups veal stock or chicken broth
- 1/2 cup soy sauce
- 1/2 cup sake (rice wine)
- Wasabi Sauce
- 1 1/2 to 2 tablespoons Wasabi paste
- 2 tablespoons peanut oil
- 1 tablespoon mirin
- 1 teaspoon dark sesame oil
- 1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 teaspoon sugar

Heat 1 tablespoon oil in Dutch oven over medium-high heat until hot. Add veal shanks and brown evenly, turning occasionally. Add remaining 1 tablespoon oil as needed. Remove shanks, set aside.

Add onion, carrots, ginger and garlic, cook and stir 1-2 minutes or until tender. Add veal stock, soy sauce and sake. Return shanks to Dutch oven, bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low, cover tightly and simmer 1 1/2 hours or until veal is fork tender.

Meanwhile combine sauce ingredients in a small bowl, set aside. Remove shanks to warm platter. Remove vegetables from cooking liquid, skim fat. Cook liquid over high heat until reduced by half, stirring occasionally. Stir in sauce ingredients. Serve with veal. Makes 4 servings.

Cook's Tip: Wasabi paste and mirin can be found in the Asian section of the supermarket or in specialty food stores.

Nutrition information per serving: 326 calories, 25g protein, 5g carbohydrate, 19g fat, 1316mg sodium, 88mg cholesterol, 6.8mg iron, 0.2mg vitamin B6, 11mcg vitamin B12, 10mg iron, 4.8mg zinc.

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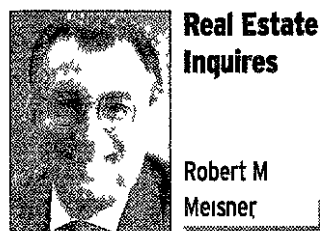
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Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

Avoid pitfalls, consult with an agent

We are planning on a lot purchase in New Mexico. If you have any insights as to pitfalls we should be aware of, please advise.

Purchasing a lot can be troublesome, depending upon the state and locale in which you purchase. Obviously, you must be concerned about oil, gas and other mineral rights and whether or not you are purchasing same. Also, the condition of the lot must be reviewed to determine whether, in fact, you can build a house on it so that park tests may be necessary. Also, there may be issues of other toxicities which have to be investigated depending upon the usage that has been and/or will be put to the lot.

You may also want to check the source of water. You are best advised to consult with a knowledgeable real estate person as well as a real estate lawyer before signing any purchase agreement and ensure that you have various opportunities to make the proper inspections to insure that you are protected through due diligence.

I am interested in buying a condominium in New York, but find that most of the high rise units are co-op. Is there any advantage to buying a co-op in New York as opposed to a condominium?

Based on my recent study it appears that condominiums are becoming more popular in Manhattan, although co-op was the general mode of sale prior to this time. Condominiums offer the unique advantage of allowing the homeowner to own his own unit whereas in a co-op you only own a share of the cooperative association and are a tenant. It is generally more difficult to finance co-ops and they generally have additional preconditions in terms of allowing people to buy shares in their corporation as opposed to condominiums, where there are fewer requirements in regard to purchase. I have found that many old tenements in the lower Manhattan district are being converted to condominiums as opposed to co-ops, which may be very beneficial in terms of your investment.

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Relocating

A moving experience

BY PALL F. GANEM
CORRESPONDENT

You're sitting at your desk one morning and you get called into the boss' office. It is a bittersweet conversation — you're getting a promotion, but the new job is 1,500 miles away. And you have just two short weeks until you have to report to the new job. What will you do?

If you are lucky enough to be employed by a large corporation, they will likely have a relocation department that does this sort of thing every day, leaving you with fewer worries. But what if your company isn't so large or you're making this move in order to obtain a job because you were unemployed? Then you best roll up your sleeves, get out a paper and pencil and consider this:

First, you need to sell your home, move your family and all of their belongings and acquire a place to live near your new place of employment. There are a number of things to keep in mind when faced with relocation.

According to 20-year relocation expert Judi Davis, vice president of corporate services for Real Estate One in Farmington Hills, the emotional toll of relocating can be lessened if you do your homework.

"There is a lot to be considered once the decision to relocate has been made," Davis said. "If you are not lucky enough to have employer-assisted moving benefits, you can contact a real estate broker that may offer such a service. At Real Estate One, we have a relocation department that specializes in guiding the transferee through the entire relocation process."

"We also find a reputable real estate company in the new location through our referral network of brokers. This puts a lot of the premove jitters to rest so you can concentrate on more important mat-



Davis

ters. After all, a new job is something that can cause nervousness, but relocating with the right help shouldn't.

"There is one common mistake some people make that can be easily avoided."

"What I see that has changed since I have been in the relocating business are a lot of people putting their complete faith in the Internet," Davis said. "It is a good tool, but it is not the only one that should be used. This is where homework needs to be done. You should contact the local municipality in the area you are thinking of relocating to. They will be a good resource to find out what types of community resources exist in your potential new town."

A good real estate professional can direct you to the types of homes that are right for your budget and lifestyle, as well as be sensitive to commuting time to your new job."

Linda Scope, relocation director of Century 21 Town & Country Real Estate in Rochester, agrees with the need for professional assistance when it comes to relocating.

"At Century 21 Town & Country, we offer programs that are tailored to your specific needs," Scope said. "There are two basic types: destination services, when you are entering an area, or departure services, when you are leaving the area. We can help with things like giving tours of the area to acclimate people and their families who are entering this market for the first

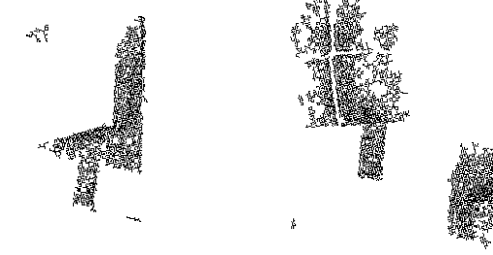
time or we can assist by supervising the move away from this market to ensure everything happens the way it was expected.

RELOCATION SERVICES

The types of services provided by relocation specialists are just as relevant in this economy as when times are booming.

"Sometimes when a company downsizes, they need to move people from one location to another in order to fill a position that may have been vacated; there will always be a need for professional relocation assistance," Scope said.

"While the Internet can provide much good information, it is very important to find out what your company's relocation policy is with regards to agent selection. Many real estate firms that work with corporations have specially trained agents who are familiar with corporate moves and understand the details necessary for a smooth transition."



Mortgage Bits

Tim 'Timbo' Phillips



The buy versus rent battle continues

It used to be that I was not much for big crowds, but as I grow older I have become fond of people-watching. Extreme crowds — like those observing the Wolverines dissect the Irish in the 'Big House' on Saturday — are especially marvelous because of the incredible spectrum of shapes and types.

However, even amidst the diversity, I often find my thoughts returning to the obvious commonality that all of these people have: homes. Whether we each rent a place or purchase our own, we all must have a place to live. Each of us is faced with the important financial question: Should I rent a place or should I buy a home of my own?"

Except for financial planners and some savvy consumers, few truly contemplate the financial implications of this major decision. Here are the three most important aspects of your decision to rent or to own.

First, as with any investment, you should consider both the costs and benefits of your options. How much growth of value will you expect to realize over the years? If you rent that number is likely zero. However, when property values are flat or in decline for a long period of time, renting may be a good choice.

Next, because there is a time value to money, a \$1,000 house payment and a \$1,000 current rent are usually profoundly different. For example, if the annual inflation rate is four percent, your current \$1000 monthly rent may be \$3,240 in 30 years. During that same period, you would just then be paying off a 30 year mortgage for which you effectively paid less every year because of inflation.

Your final \$1,000 mortgage payment would "feel" like a \$308 payment while your \$1,000 rent would still feel like a \$1,000 expense in future dollars.

Finally, with taxes continually degrading individual spending power, any financial move that reduces the tax expense is a smart one. The after-tax benefits of home ownership can make a \$1,000 rent fiscally equivalent to a \$1,400 house payment, depending on your tax bracket.

Timothy J. Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. You may reach him toll free at (866) 369 4516 or via www.HomeQuartersBlz.com. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

HOME Of The WEEK

Plymouth's Country Club Village



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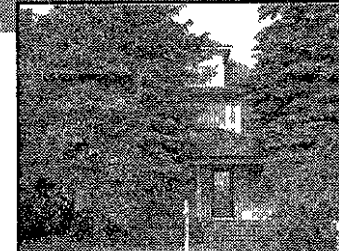
GARDEN CITY Welcome to your new home Charming 3 bedroom bungalow offers 2 car garage with newer roof & vinyl siding Vinyl windows Berber carpet T/O mostly copper plumbing wonderful deck for entertaining A real must see \$122 416 (59HEL) 734 455 5600



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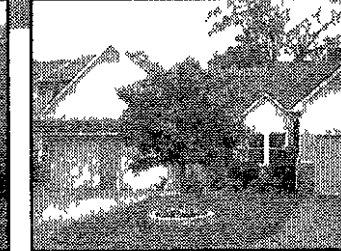
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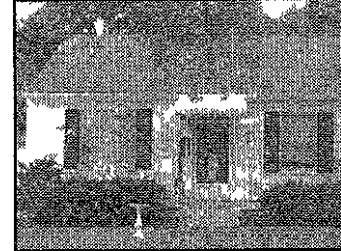
NOVI Beautiful ranch condo 2 bedroom 3 full bath w/2 fireplace Newer windows hardwood flooring in foyer kitchen & 1 bath formal dining room CA plus 6 ceiling fans Garden windows in cozy family room Large deck Very private like being in a tree house Plantation shutters in dining room \$199 500 (67CAN) 248 349 5600



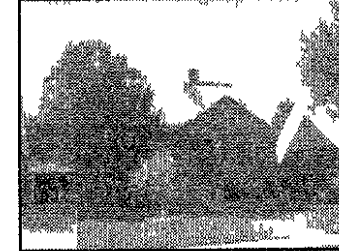
LIVONIA Large corner lot with view Updated 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch with finished basement newer roof windows CA & all newer appliances stay Right across from school 2 car garage with electric Florida room fenced in backyard with BBQ This one will go fast \$174 900 (12 HAL) 734 455 5600



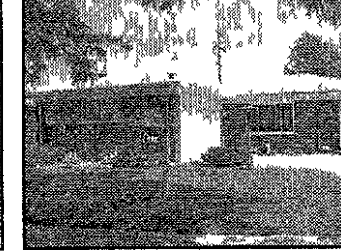
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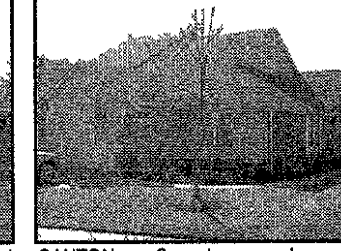


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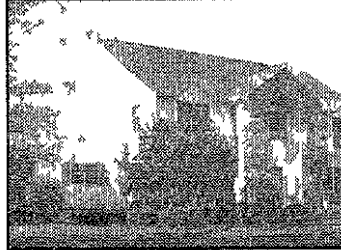
CANTON Sprawling ranch condo Fantastic 2 BR 2 BA end unite backs to the 11th hole Sit on your deck & watch the golfers or join in Spacious unit w/hard wood flooring gas fireplace in great room w/custom maritl white kitchen w/all built ins Jetted tub & double sinks in master \$274 900 (32THI) 248 349 5600



CANTON Sunflower Village home Located in Cantons most sought after sub 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 bath partially fin basement 2 car attached garage Brick & vinyl colonial w/welcoming 2 story foyer natural fireplace beautiful deck in back ceramic tile T/O Prestigious landscaping Home warranty \$329 900 (14CAR) 734 455 5600



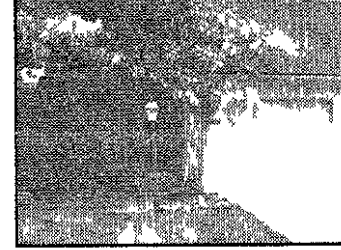
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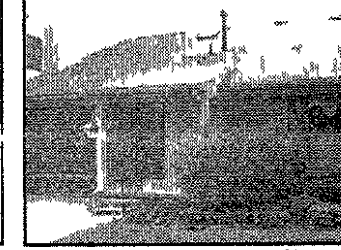
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NOVI Classy colonial 4 bedroom 1 1/2 bath home on approximately 1/2 acre park like setting Newer hardwood floors in foyer kit & FR Newer carpet Formal dining room doorwalls A/C glass blocks storm door lighting & outdoor lighting 2 car gar w/overhead storage access from upstairs \$309 900 (86SHE) 248 349 5600



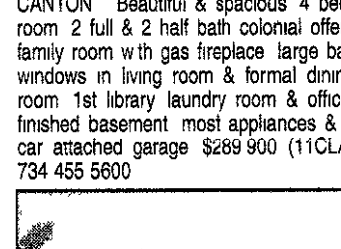
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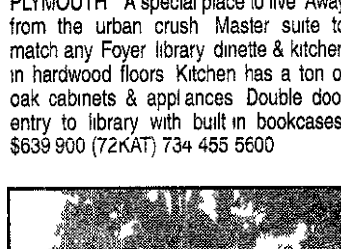
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LIVONIA Great location Great home great price with newer oak kitchen newer 1st floor bath with granite counter & tile shower newer roof windows & siding All this in this 4 bedroom 2 bath bungalow \$102 000 (60DEE) 734 455 5600



CANTON Beautiful & spacious 4 bed room 2 full & 2 half bath colonial offers family room wth gas fireplace large bay windows in living room & formal dining room 1st library laundry room & office finished basement most appliances & 2 car attached garage \$289 900 (11CLA) 734 455 5600



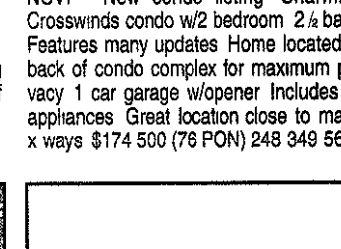
LIVONIA Unique Livonia home Gorgeous home inside & out Updated carpet windows patio Has CA huge yard large master bedroom with wood burning stove 2nd 1 bedroom home on property can be used as rental pull in some extra income! \$225 000 (89ORA) 734 455 5600



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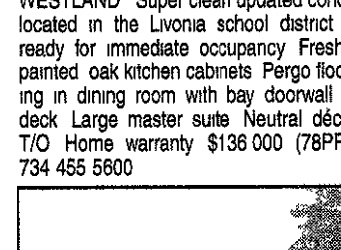
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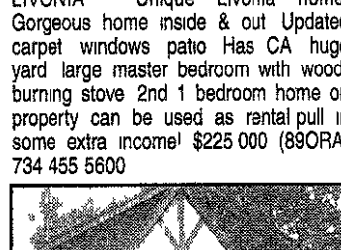
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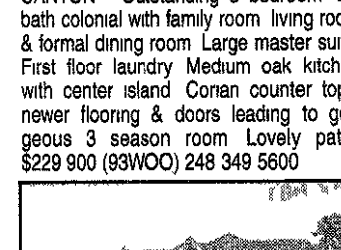
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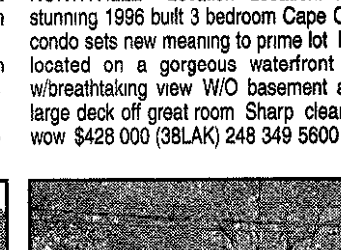
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NOVI Better than new! Why build? This 2 year old 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath colonial has all the upgrades Cherry cabinets granite counters Jack & Jill baths 2 story foyer & family room conservatory princess suite finished lower level with bedroom bath & family room Backs to woods too! \$739 000 (10CHE) 248 349 5600



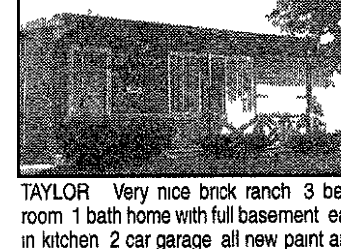
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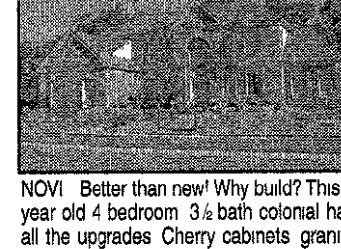
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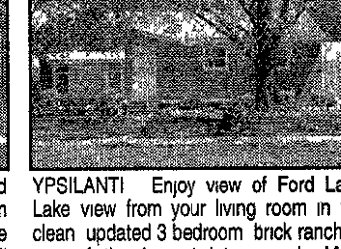
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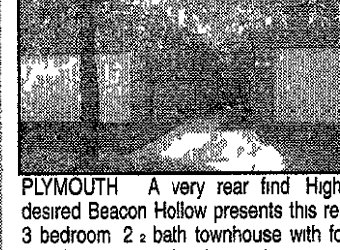
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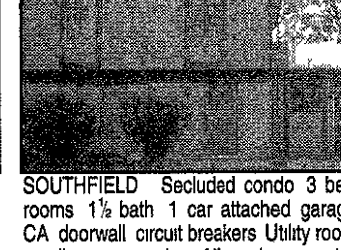
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Top 10 relocation tips to consider

The following are some important items that Judi Davis says that needs to be considered

1 **Find a reputable real estate agent** located in your new community to assist in your move. Relocation services are usually offered at little or no cost. A call to the local chamber of commerce is a good place to start or ask someone at your new job if they can recommend an agent. Ask for references and check them. This will help ease your mind that you are dealing with someone you can trust.

2 **Research the new area.** Plan a visit to the community surrounding your new employer before you move. Locate local stores and community resources. Also, get a feel for your commute by driving from a variety of locations. Ideally, you should do this on a weekday so you can get an idea of what rush hour commuting is like, but that isn't always possible. Sometimes the commute may not even involve a car.

3 **Obtain information regarding local school districts** ahead of time — very relevant concern for parents of school-aged kids. Local school districts are required to report to the state statistics such as their graduation rates, teacher-to-student ratios, assessment scores, etc.

4 **Contact a minimum of three moving companies** for a

free estimate and references, too. You want to make sure you're receiving the best rate and a trustworthy mover. Also, find out how long it will take the moving company to travel to your new destination so you can plan your trip accordingly. If you're going to move yourself, then the same estimating rule applies for rental companies. Make sure that there is an allotment for mileage in the estimate and some room for overage in case you need to overnight somewhere on the way. Also, verify the age of the vehicle or trailer. You do not want to lose time during the move due to a breakdown on the road.

CURRENT RESIDENCE

5 **Get your current home ready to sell.** This means breaking out the paint brush, mop and push broom to spiff it up. You don't want to overdo it on the painting, though. You want to avoid the impression that all of the new paint is hiding something.

6 **Regarding your current house, there is something to be said for 'curb appeal.'** Take a look at your house from across the street. Do the flowerbeds need weeding or require more mulch? Are tree branches dangling too close to your house? Does the trim need painting or replacing? You need to make sure the outside looks good to

encourage potential buyer's to take a closer look on the inside of your home.

7 **Speaking of profit, if you're in a position to make two house payments for the foreseeable future in order to get the highest price for your current residence, then consider doing so.** But if you're like most people who relocate, you need to sell your old home fairly quickly. This means pricing the home to sell by taking a little off what the average price might be for your area. Again, giving up a little now might avoid giving up more later.

8 **Obtain a preapproved mortgage** from a local lender in your new community. They generally publish their mortgage rates online or they may tell you them over the telephone. Either way, if you get the approval process out of the way first, then you can look for houses that are in your price range without having to wait for the mortgage process to begin. And, by seeking preapproval ahead of time, you might find that the lender may have requirements that preclude you from buying right away. This is important so that you can find someplace to rent in the mean time.

9 **Rearrange to have utilities at your current home turned off two weeks after you are scheduled to leave.** This way, if something happens and you move later than you antici-

pated, you will not be left literally in the dark. Also, be sure to keep your homeowner's insurance up to date on your current home until the title changes to the new owner. A little extra cash spent here can help avoid a big headache later.

10 **Obtain change of address forms** to notify creditors and loved ones. These forms are readily available at your local post office for free. An important thing to remember about suggestions such as these, you need to do what is comfortable for you and be sure to read all of the fine print. If you are not sure what you're signing, there is no substitute for sound legal advice.

BE OPTIMISTIC

The very idea of relocating to a new town can be a daunting one. It can be enough to make someone not take a promotion or seek work outside of their current neighborhood.

According to the Web site rpsrelocation.com, an internet-based company that offers relocation services and advice, 60 percent of employees refuse transfers due to family concerns.

There are many resources that are available that can take most of the mystery out of relocating, but as Davis reminds us "Do your homework." A lesson from our school days is just as relevant today.

Study says U.S. rents up about one-third since 1999

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The cost of rent and utilities for a typical two-bedroom apartment has increased more than a third in the United States since 1999, making such housing unaffordable for anyone earning minimum wage, according to a study by an advocacy group for low-income housing.

A worker must earn at least \$15.21 an hour to afford the average cost of \$791 per month and have enough left for food and other necessities, the Washington-based National Low Income Housing Coalition said Monday. Five years ago the average cost for housing and utilities was \$576. The federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour, which has

not increased since 1997, is barely one-third of the housing wage of \$15.21 an hour.

States have the discretion of setting higher minimum wages, and 11 states have done so. Alaska has the highest minimum wage at \$7.15.

With the nation's economy still struggling, coalition president Sheila Crowley said she expects more people will be forced to live in substandard housing or to move in with others.

Crowley criticized the President George W. Bush's administration and Congress for not spending more on affordable housing. The Department of Housing and Urban Development had no immediate comment on the report.

Use the Internet to get you moving

A quick check on any number of Internet search engines (Google, Altavista, Yahoo, etc.) will reveal some Web-based resources that can assist in your relocation "homework." These can be consulted along with other local resources within the community to which you are relocating. Here are a few online examples:

RELOCATION SERVICES

- century21town-country.com
- homefair.com
- realtor.com
- realestateone.com
- rpsrelocation.com

SELF-MOVING

- monstermoving.com

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WESTLAND Bachelor's Pad! Move in condition. Completely remodeled 2 bdrm ranch. New kit & bath, cabinets & hrdwd flrs, carpet. Attached single car garage with breezeway plus large 2 car det. gar. Good starter home. Lots of room for expansions. Split available. \$135,000 (L40FlO)

LIVONIA If you are looking for a ground floor condo in mint condition you have found it! Private complex w/2 large bdrms, walk in closet, newer kit, gorgeous bthrm, newer carpet. Includes washer, dryer, stove & refrigerator. Doorway to covered patio. Assoc. fee includes heat & water. A showplace condo! \$129,500 (L04Arr)

LIVONIA Sparkling neutral bungalow loaded w/extras. Remodeled oak kit, 29 master bdrm, impeccable baths, upgraded carpet, finished basement ready for entertaining, new roof, 97 hot water heater, A/C coil & furnace, 01 fenced yard, vinyl windows, brick 1.5 car garage. Priced to sell! \$169,900 (L10Car)

LIVONIA Nice three bedroom ranch with Livonia Schools! Wet plaster and cove ceilings in living room and dining room. New furnace, air cleaner & humidifier, 02 most windows replaced w/vinyl. Full master bath, Natural fireplace in bsmt. Aluminum trim, 2 1/2 car garage with replaced door and opener. \$209,900 (D54Ben)

GARDEN CITY Enjoy this 3 bedroom ranch in a great area! Family room w/fireplace & doorway to deck. New carpet in living room, updated kitchen & bath. Newer windows, roof & air conditioning. Owner will look at all reasonable offers! \$149,900 (L44She)

DETROIT Very nice 2 bedroom starter home in move in condition. Living room w/bay window, Newer furnace w/C/A & humidifier w/space guard air cleaner. Close to main arteries & I-96. Vinyl sided 1.5 car garage, large fenced yard. Includes stove, refrigerator, freezer, dishwasher, washer & dryer. \$39,900 (L55WIn)

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SPECTACULAR BELLEVILLE LAKE VIEW - Enjoy the lake view from your huge front porch. Cape cod with 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, beautiful hardwood floors, formal dining room, large living room with fireplace, basement with knotty pine rec room and a 2 car garage. \$189,900 (545HI)

INVITING AND EXCITING - Wonderful and pristine clean Canton 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bath cape cod on a wooded 1.77 acre lot. Great room, Florida room, large family room with fireplace, cathedral ceilings, fresh interior paint, recessed lighting, main level master with jetted tub & walk in closet. Updated kitchen, patio, garden terrace & a satellite dish. \$399,900 (210GY)

A DISTINCTIVE FLAIR - Remarkable two story in a cul de sac on a serene street. Two car garage, security system, large family room with fireplace, striking cathedral ceilings, hardwood flooring, handsome master suite, walk in closet, laundry room, pantry, complete appliance package, central air, deck. \$274,900 (975HO)

IT'S PERFECT - Priced right 3 bedroom brick ranch with updated kitchen and bath, vinyl windows, newer central air system, 2 car garage, full basement and what a great neighborhood! \$126,900 (868CA)

2001 CUSTOM BUILT RANCH - 3 bedroom, 2 bath Taylor home. Large kitchen w/maple cabinetry, Corian counters & ceramic floors. Formal dining w/vaulted ceiling & French doors, patio overlooking a nice yard & sprinkler system. Master w/try ceiling, walk in closets & private bath w/jetted tub & separate shower. \$209,900 (724SC)

ROSEDALE RANCH - Great 3 bedroom ranch with 15 baths and 1077 sq ft. Vaulted ceilings and beautiful hardwood floors, newer furnace and copper plumbing, full finished basement and a 2 car garage. Relax on the screened in porch with a tranquil view of the yard and lily pond. \$168,500 (311FR)

MOVE RIGHT INTO - This sparkling clean 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch with finished basement, new kitchen (cabinets, wood floor, most appliances), updated bath, new windows, new driveway, family room with fireplace, neutral carpet throughout. Very nice. \$199,900 (302UM)

1.1 GROOMED ACRES - Embraces this 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch. Large country kitchen, 12x20 storage shed, covered patio with gas grill and a 2-car attached garage. Room to play. \$167,000 (215MA)

GIBRALTAR-LAKEFRONT - 75 ft on Lake Erie—many possibilities for this 2,400 sq ft 3 bedroom 2 bath home with large Florida room overlooking the lake. Two kitchen, 2 dining areas & 2 living rooms make this home very unique. All appliances stay. Large unfinished 3rd floor level waiting for your ideas. \$475,000 (119AD)

DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH RANCH - Tree lined street is home for this 3 bedroom 2 full bath ranch. Nice boasting ceramic entry and main hall, marble fireplace flanked by built ins, central formal dining room, oak kitchen with ample table space and 2 car attached garage. \$295,000 (356AR)

COPPER CANYON - Three bedroom 1 1/2 bath ranch on a fenced corner lot. Full finished basement. Nice breezeway to 2 car garage. Newer furnace and new roof. Hardwood floors. \$124,900 (485BE)

WESTLAND RANCH - Wow! Check out the list of updates in this fabulous 3 bedroom ranch! Newer furnace, air electrical, copper plumbing, roof, vinyl windows & siding, entry doors & carpet. New oak kitchen includes appliances, patio door to the new deck & fenced yard. Finished basement & a 2 1/2 car garage. \$148,900 (323GL)

FIRST CLASS HOME! - Brick all around in this popular ranch. New dimensional roof, with tear off, Champion insulated windows & doorwall family room with raised hearth fireplace, deluxe sectional garage door, custom 14x10 tool crib with electric and cement floor, 1 year home warranty. \$199,750 (787ME)

IMMACULATE RANCH CONDO - Decorated to perfection. Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 1,410 sq ft finished lower level, great room with skylights, fireplace & cathedral ceilings. Awesome finished basement with large rec room, bedrooms, bath & storage. End unit, 2 car garage and much more. \$224,900 (219ED)

BUILD IN THE IRISH HILLS! - 210 ft of partially wooded waterfront on South Lake (all sports 100 acre no public access). Deed restrictions make this an area of newer upscale homes! \$139,900 (000CA)

COUNTRY CAPE COD-PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP - Meticulously updated-restored home on 2 acres close to downtown. 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, new kitchen w/all appliances, hardwood floors, original wide woodwork, most windows newer elect plus full basement. Two garages—35x22 & 24x24 are perfect for hobbies. Great location with room to grow. \$340,000 (640NO)

ACREAGE IN THE CITY - Lots of privacy on this 2.04 acre lot with plenty of mature trees. Possession at closing. This home has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and 2 fireplaces. \$235,000 (8000A)

LIVONIA SCHOOLS - Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath brick colonial with a side entry, 2 car garage. Built in 1993 in the popular Overbrook sub. Neutral throughout with oak kitchen cabinets and a doorway leading to the deck overlooking a park like setting. \$254,900 (165FO)

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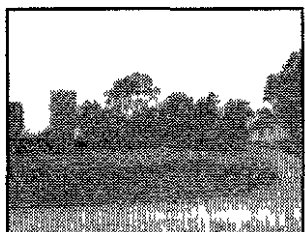
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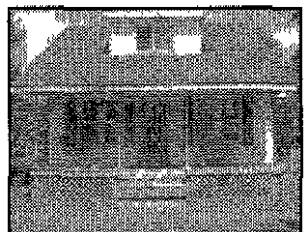
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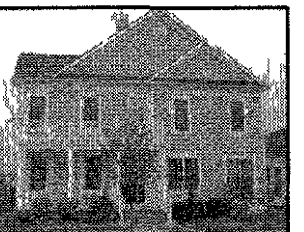
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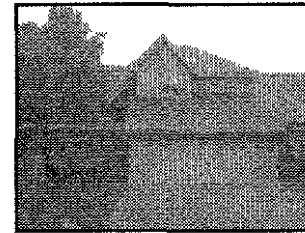
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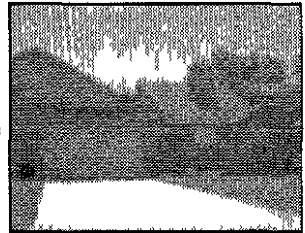
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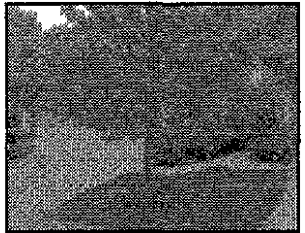
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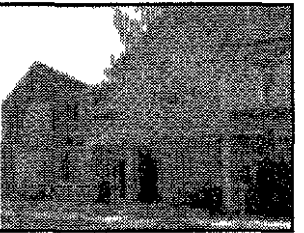
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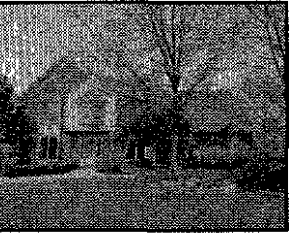
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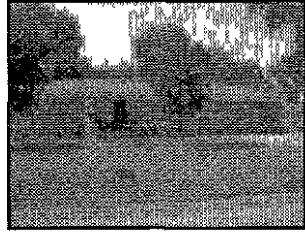
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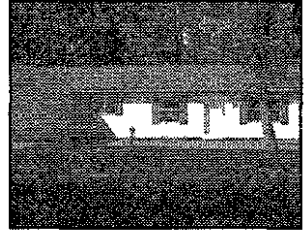
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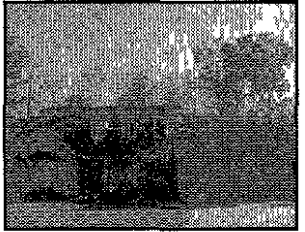
FARMINGTON HILLS \$369,900
Fabulous Park Like 1/2 Acre Lot! Complements this stunning 4br 2 5 bath updated tudor Cherry kitchen w/many amenities Dimensional shingles Generous room sizes 14ft gazebo (BGN46PAR) 888 870 9123



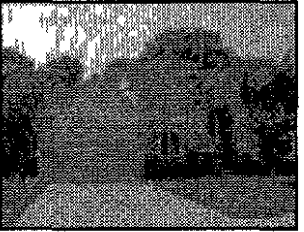
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LIVONIA \$364,900
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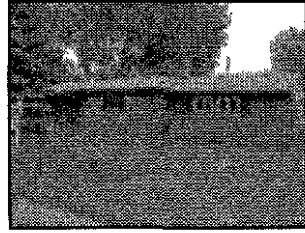
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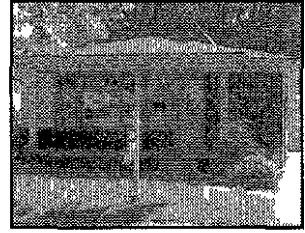
LIVONIA \$229,700
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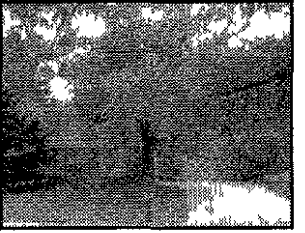
LIVONIA \$142,500
Lovely Ranch That Has Been Redesigned 3br 2 ba finished basement w/replace custom crown molding updated kitchen vndws ceramic ca carpet part & roof (BGN00GIL) 888 870 9123



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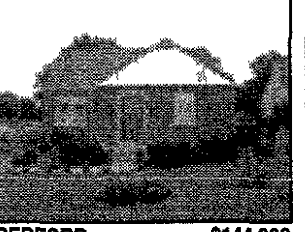
PLYMOUTH \$225,000
Over \$5 000 in Updates! 4br 2 bath formal living room w/frpl kitchen w/est in nook hardwood flrs on bdrms w/bath access basement mudroom garage (BGN45FIV) 888 870 9123



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Best Location in Complex! 2 BR 2 BA end unit ranch backing to wooded setting Prof painted t/o New kit cntrs LR w/gas FP Newer win Full bsmnt w/glass blk win Custom brick paver off dw Clean! BGP 65Woo 888 870 9127



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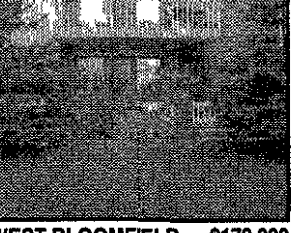
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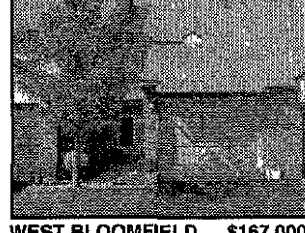
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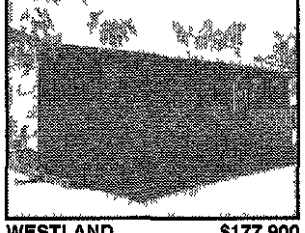
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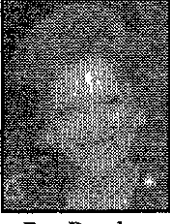
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42722 Keystone \$225,000	7620 Ormond \$192,000	1550 W Horseshoe \$247,000
426 Lenox \$450,000		1740 Washington \$239,000
42716 Lulley Pointe \$128,000	Farmington	2735 Weaverston \$213,000
496 Pleasant Ridge \$77,000	33619 Oakland \$220,000	800 Woodridge \$416,000
46478 Swanmere \$305,000	24156 Saint Mary \$240,000	
43628 W Arbor \$130,000	32900 Sloucm \$190,000	Southfield
	33907 State \$229,000	20391 A Hambra \$184,000
		28429 Berksh re \$175,000
Garden City	Farmington Hills	19371 Coral Gables \$233,000
32261 Florence \$151,000	22194 Arbor \$273,000	17507 Gateway \$179,000
30945 Marquette \$147,000	23985 Creekside \$220,000	24555 Lafayette \$280,000
	27542 E Echo \$127,000	29593 Marsha I \$170,000
Livonia	29029 Forest H II \$225,000	25655 McAllister \$153,000
20417 Angling \$162,000	29383 Glen Oaks \$245,000	17090 New Hampshire \$156,000
20225 Floral \$125,000	28911 Green Castle \$185,000	20354 Rodeo \$170,000
18325 Glastonbury \$340,000	28862 Lincolnview \$194,000	22580 Saratoga \$150,000
18902 Loveland \$220,000	31284 Misty P nes \$242,000	28077 Senator \$75,000
	28336 Peppermil \$200,000	30236 Southfield \$82,000
	29738 Pine Ridge \$162,000	28094 Stuart \$127,000
Plymouth	38198 Saratoga \$238,000	29112 Wellington \$75,000
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25954 Cathedral \$168,000		6692 L verno s \$310,000
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12880 Sioux \$135,000	3216 Rycroft \$155,000	400 Redwood \$170,000
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	3788 Silverbell \$163,000	426 Beverly stand \$486,000
	1882 Valley \$189,000	3826 Breaker \$168,000
	2808 Walmsley \$206,000	3059 Brookside \$162,000
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	22846 Ta ford \$134,000	1173 Meadow ew \$72,000
	45616 Wh te Pines \$399,000	5413 Murray \$530,000
		2645 Nottingham \$202,000
	Oakland Township	500 P ne Creek \$212,000
	2112 Aberdeen \$190,000	4258 S Shore \$400,000
	5121 Belmonte \$425,000	1280 Scott Lake \$50,000
	5144 Belmonte \$416,000	107 Starr \$137,000
	5189 Belmonte \$448,000	4381 Sunburst \$149,000
	480 Charles ne \$245,000	5154 Creemonte \$153,000
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	5415 Creemonte \$154,000	
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	5030 Old Mill \$670,000	6906 Apple Blossom \$161,000
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Town in South Carolina foothills looks to profit from retirees

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Leaders of this town nestled in the foothills of the Appalachians see gold in gray.

They have given up spending a lot of money to recruit factories and mills. Instead, they are writing checks to advertisers in hopes of luring retirees to play golf and build million-dollar homes on the pristine shores of Lake Keowee.

"I don't see anybody else out there doing it," said town manager Greg Dieterick. "Every small town is looking for some kind of niche."

Seneca's effort started earlier this year when a regional retirement magazine named it the top small town in the Carolinas in which to retire.

That got town officials thinking that baby boomers with lots of disposable income might be looking for a sunny, warm place to spend their golden years.

Seneca leaders agreed to spend about \$5,000 on a slick 24-page publication highlighting the area's year-round golf, renovated downtown and looming mountains.

The publication has been sent to 40,000 people planning to retire in the next year or two who have responded to an ad about moving to the Carolinas.

"It sounds like a novel idea," said University of South Carolina economist Doug Woodward, who has done a study on how retirees affect local economies. "Recruiting retirees and recruiting industry should be compared the same way."

MARKETING

Dieterick figures Seneca gets back about \$3 for each dollar it spends on trying to attract retirees, who are likely to spend a good part of their income nearby. When tax breaks and other incentives are figured in, a new plant might provide only \$1 for each dollar spent, and workers' paychecks often end up being spent in a bigger county, Dieterick said.

Overall, Woodward believes communities across the nation will begin to market themselves based on amenities such as lakes or small-town living instead of fighting for factories and plants.

The road to economic development is now turning away from industrial economic development, he said.

Seneca, a town of 8,000 tucked in the northwest corner of the state, once hitched its fortunes to textiles. It tripled in size from 1940 to 1970 as mills located to the town, taking advantage of the rivers and streams flowing down from the mountains. But then textile jobs started going overseas, eventually leaving the cavernous plants abandoned, their smokestacks looming over rows of vacant mill houses.

The town actually lost population from 1990 to 2000, making it even more important to find another way to get Seneca growing again. Seneca retiree push makes sense to Ray Stamm. The former office supply executive moved to the area from Chicago more than 10 years ago. What brought him south was an advertisement he saw in The Wall Street Journal every Friday showing a picture of a drab old home beside a vibrant, lakefront mansion.

"I remember the ad said 'Trade your home for one in the Golden Corner of South Carolina,' he said.

It didn't hurt when Stamm found out he could pay the same he did for his home in Chicago and get a much nicer house and slash his property tax bill to boot.

And the weather is beautiful, said the 69-year-old retiree who still sells real estate on the side. "You get the changing seasons here. You get the long spring and fall, a short summer and winter and maybe only about 40 bad days when you can't go out and play golf."

QUESTIONS

USC's Woodward doesn't see too many drawbacks to Seneca's decision, although, he says, retirees might be a burden on the budget and a disruption to the community because their needs might not match with others.

More than a quarter of the 8,700 people who moved to Oconee County between 1990 and 2000 were 65 or older, helping to push the population above 66,000, according to Census data.

And they have money, too. The median home price in the county is \$97,500, 10th highest in the state and outpaced only by more urban counties surrounding Columbia and Greenville and several counties along the coast.

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The City of Madison Heights (pop 31 000) is seeking a professional individual to fill this responsible supervisory and administrative position involved in directing the efficient day-to-day operation of the Streets Division (and others when needed) within the Public Services Department This position is the first called on an overtime for all streets problems and during snowfall to assemble an appropriate crew in a timely manner and continue the history of exceptional snow removal This position budgets plans schedules and directs the sectional construction program s plan maintenance asphalt repair road patching street sweep ng tree elevation leaf pick up and the overseeing of various sub contractors for line painting joint sealing and other projects

A four year degree in Public Administration Civil Engineering Business or related field and five years experience in street operations street maintenance construction or equivalent combination of experience and education s required A CDL B endorsement is required Incumbent is retiring after 32 years

This position offers a start rate of \$50 866 a one-year rate of \$54 212 and a two-year rate of \$58 007 This position is paid overtime and offers an excellent benefit package

Interested Candidates send cover letter resumes including completed resume and college transcripts to City of Madison Heights 300 West 12 Mile Road Madison Heights MI 48071 After Personal Office or apply Online at www.ci.madisonheights.org link job openings and attach cover letter resume and college transcripts APPLICATIONS TAKEN UNTIL POSITIVE FIELD 151 REVIEW OCT 13 2003 EOE

Help Wanted General 6000

MUSEUM STAFF ASSISTANT The City of Rochester Hills is accepting applications for the part time position of Museum Staff Assistant (20 hrs/week some weekends) \$9 79 \$13 59 per hour (no benefits) Provides clerical support coordinates events conducts tours Must possess Associates Degree/two years full time college level classes in history historic preservation library science education business or closely related field OR one year recent full time work experience in two of the following areas conducting interpretive tours programs coordinating special events scheduling the use of facilities updating and maintaining historic archives Proficiency with office computers and related business software Valid MI driver license w/no more than 5 points! Acceptable criminal history record Apply by 9/25/03 5 00 p.m Apply in person Mon Fri 8 5 or fax or mail a resume w/cover letter identifying position to Human Resources Fax (248) 656-4739 Address City of Rochester Hills 1000 Rochester Hills Dr Rochester Hills MI 48309 3033 EOE

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NAIL TECH NEEDED Busy Royal Oak salon Clientele waiting Call (248) 549-4311

NAIL TECH WANTED Exp Mon Fri Ford World Headquarters Hair Salon Dearborn 313 322 1140

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Optical JCPenney optical has immediate full/part time and management positions available Experience helpful but willing to train Please call Jamie at 734 425 4535 EOE

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Help Wanted General 6000

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PRELICENSE CLASS

Get the help you need to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination with a 16-hour comprehensive course offered by Birmingham, West Bloomfield and Bloomfield Hills Community Education with Oakland Builder's Institute
The seminar is scheduled Monday and Wednesday, Sept 15-24, at West Bloomfield High School, 4925 Orchard Lake Road, and Tuesday and Thursday, Sept 23 to Oct 2 at Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road, Bloomfield Hills
The cost of the seminar is \$180 plus \$20 for the course textbook and sample questions

To register for the Sept 15-24 course, call (248) 865-6633 by Thursday, Sept 11 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday-Friday Register for the Sept 23 to Oct 2 seminar by calling (248) 433-0885 no later than Friday, Sept 19, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday
Oakland Builders Institute offers building courses in 38 school districts in Michigan For a free brochure and current schedule, call (800) 940-2014 or (248) 651-2771 On the Web, go to www.builder-sinstitute.com

MECHANICAL CONFERENCE

The Mechanical Inspectors Association of Michigan holds its annual fall conference Thursday-Saturday, Sept 18-20, at the Doherty Hotel, Clare
Conference costs vary For information, call (248) 649-5443 or visit the Web site at mechinspect@bignet.net

CAREER DAYS

Real Estate One presents a free informational class on how to get into residential real estate sales noon to 1 p.m. Fridays at its Farmington Hills office, 32961 Middlebelt at 14 Mile To register, call Sharon Spindler (Ext 404) or Steve Leibhan (Ext 405) at (248) 851-4100

FAIR HOUSING CENTER

The Fair Housing Center of Metropolitan Detroit, a non-profit monitoring, testing and information-providing organization, offers annual individual memberships for \$15, family memberships for \$25 and organization/group memberships for \$50
For information, call (313) 963-1274

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The western Wayne affiliate of Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers to help with building homes, office tasks and fund-raising No experience needed

Training will be provided
For details, call (734) 459-7744

SALES WEB SITE

Curious as to what houses are selling for in your neighborhood?
Steve Wiese of Southeastern Appraisal Corp in Farmington Hills has updated maps on a community-by-community basis with that information on the Internet And it's free Visit www.homeval-nemap.com

CAREER SEMINAR

The exciting field of Real Estate How do I get started? How much money do I need to get started? How soon can I expect to make money? Tramping? Support? We'll answer all of these questions Sept 24 (10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.) career seminar classes Call (734) 266-9000 to reserve a seat - Keller Williams Realty of Livonia

BOMA MEETING

The Building Owners and Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit (BOMA) is holding their monthly breakfast meeting from 8-10 a.m. Sept 18 at the Plum Hollow Country Club in Southfield. The meeting topic will be a panel discussion on the Blackout of 2003 Cost is \$25 for members and \$50 non-members The meeting includes a hot breakfast buffet and beverages
Call Judy Seifried of BOMA, (248) 848-3714

DETROIT REDEVELOPMENT

The Building Owners and Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit (BOMA) is holding their monthly Breakfast Meeting from 8-10 a.m. Oct 16 at the Renaissance Center (downtown Detroit) The meeting topic will be Downtown Detroit Waterfront Redevelopment Cost is \$25 for members and \$50 nonmembers Call (248) 848-3714

PRE-LICENSE CLASS

Get the help you need to pass the Michigan state builder's license examination with a 16-hour comprehensive seminar offered by Livonia Community Education in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute The seminar is scheduled for Monday/Wednesday Sept 22-Oct 1 from 6-10 p.m. at Riley Middle School (15555 Henry Ruff) in Livonia Cost is \$207 plus \$20 for course book
Pre-registration is required no later than Sept 18 Call (734) 744-2602

HOME BUYER SEMINAR

Learn how to plan for the biggest investment of your life at this free seminar Find out what price home you can afford and how your credit history can influence your purchase decisions We'll talk mortgage options and help you understand the purchase process The host site will be the Birmingham Public Library (300 W Merrill Street one block south of Maple and west of Old Woodward) from 1-8:30 p.m. Sept 24 sponsored by Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp

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Send a brief summary including town of residency and photo to Real Estate Movers and Shakers Attn Keely Kaleski
Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E Maple Birmingham MI 48009 Our fax number is (248) 644 1314

WINNERS

The Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan recently announced the winners of the ninth annual Showcase of Distinctive Homes, which runs through Sept 21
The winning homes are

- Attached condominiums priced up to \$200,000 Charleston priced at \$199,900 in Southfield built by Park Center Development
- Attached condominiums priced \$200,000-\$250,000 Willow priced at \$249,900 in Canton by Steuer & Canvasser Construction
- Attached condominiums priced over \$300,000 Penthouse priced at \$319,000 in Troy built by S.R. Jacobson Cos
- Homes and detached condominiums priced \$225,000-\$325,900 Savannah at \$308,000 in New Boston built by Rali Building LLC
- Homes and detached condominiums priced \$339,000-\$425,900 Charlevoix priced at \$421,550 in north Oakland County by Daniel Smith Homes
- Homes and detached condominiums priced at \$440,000-\$550,000 Ellsworth priced at \$488,515 in Canton by Pulte Homes
- Homes and detached condominiums priced \$595,000-\$700,000 The Essex priced at \$683,100 in Canton built by Ivanhoe-Huntley Homes
- Homes priced over \$950,000 category Legacy priced at \$1,086,000 in Orion Township built MacLeish Building, Inc

This information can be found online at www.builders.org

VP OF FINANCE
Sachse Construction of

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

Farmington Hills, a provider of premium commercial construction and design/build services, has promoted Debby Rudel to vice president of finance from controller

Rudel, who has 19 years of experience in the construction industry, joined Sachse 10 years ago as one of its first employees A Royal Oak resident, she earned a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University

VP OF ESTIMATING

Tim Thome was recently named vice president of estimating He joined Campbell/Manix Inc team in 1993 as an estimator and recently received the promotion to VP

With more than 20 years experience in the construction industry, Thome is an instrumental part of the Campbell/Manix Inc team according to his superiors Some of his recent projects include Delphi World Headquarters, LDM Technologies, Ryder Logistics and Skylofts of Royal Oak

ACHIEVEMENT

Andrea Delaney, a Westland resident, recently completed the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ) exam Delaney is an interior designer at Bloomfield Hills-based TMP Associates, Inc

By successfully completing the exam, Delaney can obtain professional membership status in organizations such as the American Society of Designers

A graduate of Michigan State University, Delaney received her bachelor of arts degree from the College of Human Ecology in 1989

SKANSKA SELECTED

Skanska USA Building Inc announced that its Michigan Division has been selected to provide construction management services for the renovations and addition to the previous Northville Parks & Recreation Center to convert it into the Northville Senior Community Center

The existing 12,764-square-foot parks and recreation center facility will receive architectural upgrades and a 7,910-square-foot addition that will offer users two new multipurpose rooms, a large centralized activities area with fireplace, new building entrances, reception area and staff offices The project budget is approximately \$2.5 million and start of construction is scheduled for the fall 2003

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NEW EMPLOYEES

Jennifer Henson, Marwan Houry and Thomas Wilczek recently joined Duce Simmons Associates (DSA) an architecture, planning and interior design firm located in Berkley

Henson joins the firm as an interior designer She is a resident of Farmington Hills

Houry joins the firm as a project designer He is a resident of Dearborn Heights

Wilczek joins the firm as a technical coordinator He is a resident of Wixom

NEW HIRE

Dawn Priebe has joined Armada Real Estate and Investment Co as an associate

Priebe has 21 years of commercial real estate experience, mostly recently as a property manager with the Farman Group She will be responsible for leasing and sales of office and industrial properties, along with selected retail properties

A Milford resident, Priebe has a Michigan real estate license and an associate's degree from Oakland Community College

SUPERINTENDENT HIRED

Mark Keleher has joined Sachse Construction of Farmington Hills, a provider of premium commercial construction and design/build services, as a project manager

Keleher's 20-year construction career includes 15 years with Ride Aid's construction department, where he was responsible for building Ride Aid stores in Michigan and across the east coast

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MUST SEE
This outstanding home in South Canton 30x14 brick paver patio with lights 150 sq ft loft w/view to foyer & family room Hardwood in foyer kitchen hallway & powder room 3 car side entry garage Outside painted in 02 & inside painted neutral colors in 03 \$349 450 (00)BRA 734 455 6000

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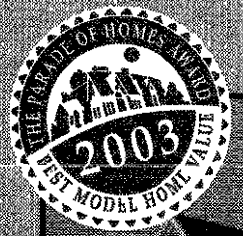



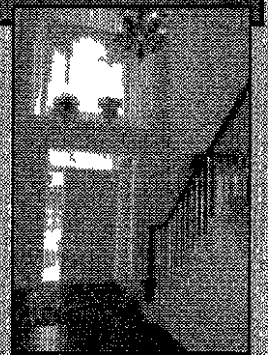
JUST MOVE IN
To this updated and beautifully landscaped ranch Neutral decor throughout Inviting kitchen opens to patio area Fully finished lower level with rec room workshop and exercise area Mechanics garage \$209 000 (30)BUN 734 455 6000

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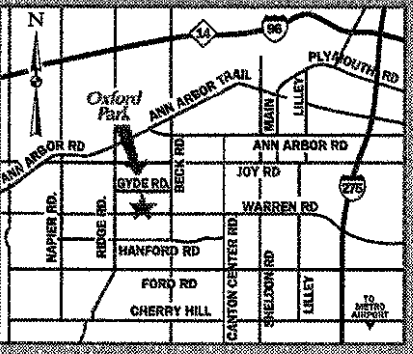
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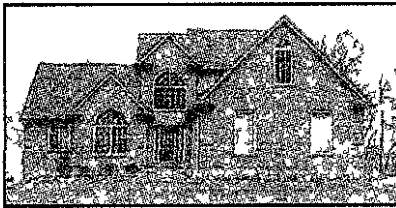
NORTHVILLE \$639,900
EXCEPTIONAL NORTHVILLE COLONIAL!
 Ravine Colonial by Robert Jones. Elegant 2 story foyer & living rm. Spacious kitchen with maple cabinetry and huge island. Two way FP between kit and family rm. (18DEE2)

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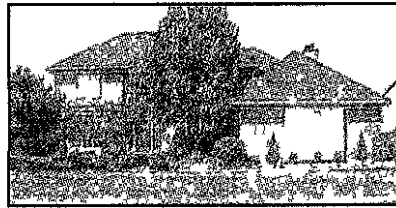
CANTON \$439,900
LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION! Rare find! Enjoy court location which backs to a pond w/ fountain. Mstr 1st flr 3 car gar w/heat W/O bsmt on off foyer hrdwd flrs n kit foyer nook & hlwy (B47539)

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WIXOM \$420,000
NEWER COLONIAL NEAR PROUD LAKE!
 Beautiful 4 BR 2.5 BA Colonial. Chd's Kit w/ corian cherry cab. Jennaire cooktop & dbl oven. 3000 SF 27x10 bonus rm W/O LL & close to downtown Milford. (83DEL2)

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CANTON \$399,500
GOLF COURSE FRONTAGE! Dream come true location in one of Canton's most desirable neighborhoods. Custom deck and brick pavers. Anderson doorwalls & 3 Car Garage. (33AUG2)

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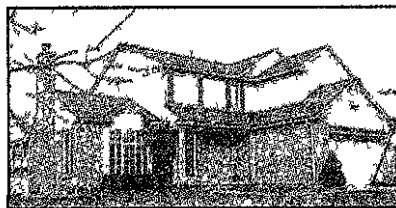
HIGHLAND \$384,900
DUCK LAKE FRONTAGE! 3 bdrm, 2 full baths, 2.5 car gar. Beautiful hardwood flrs, island kit with oak cabinets, 1st floor laundry. Huron Valley schools. Call for a private showing. (23K3690)

734 455 7000



NORTHVILLE \$335,000
NORTHVILLE HOME W/UPDATES GALORE! 4 BR 2.5 Bath. Gorgeous KIT w/corain HDWD flr & white cab. Main bath w/spa tub & marble. Ceramic/corain Mstr Bath. Newer furnace & AC. Lovely landscaping. (00GAL2)

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NOVI \$329,900
GREAT LOCATION IN GREAT SUB! Dunbarton Co on al w/light & bright flr plan. GR & LR both w/ FPS formal DR w/bay hdwds n entry study & 1/2 bath. Northville schools. (agent owner) (32MID2)

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NOVI \$329,700
SUPER SHARP 4 BR NOVI COLONIAL! Private rear yard w/wood deck. Updates include w ndws front door w/s delites roof & more! Lg Fam Rm w/Cath ceiling & natural fireplace! Well maintained. (68HIC2)

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LIVONIA \$309,900
GREAT BRICK COLONIAL! Nearly 2100 square feet. 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, finished basement. 2 car attached garage and more! (A15429)

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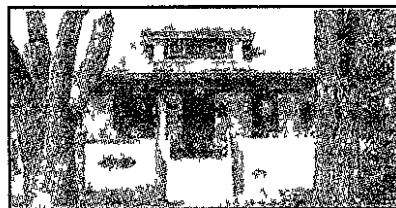
CANTON \$299,900
GORGEOUS CUSTOM 1994 BUILT 4 BR 2.5 BA colonial oaded w/upgrades in Plymouth Canton school dist. 2 stry foyer w/recess ltr mstr ste w/skyjgt WIC sep shower & jetted tub gour met kit. (S576)

734 591-9200



LIVONIA \$298,900
WOODED LOT 3 BR 2.5 BAs fantst c 1100 SF addit on FR w/FP pool many updates. rf wndws gar sun rm furn brk pavers gutters baths mstr BR has cathedral ceilng 2858 SF! (P30542)

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PLYMOUTH \$260,000
CLASSIC PLYMOUTH CHARMER! Updated 3 bdrm 2 full baths including master bath. It's gorgeous. (23A465)

734 455 7000



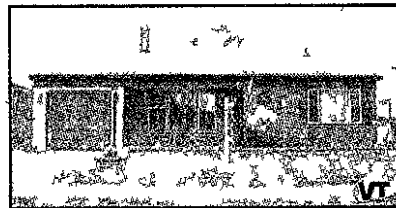
CANTON \$255,000
2370 SF UPDATES GALORE! furn a/c wndws addit on to FR gar dr w/beveled glass entry drs plumb elect hwh Basement huge shed lg deck 2 car garage

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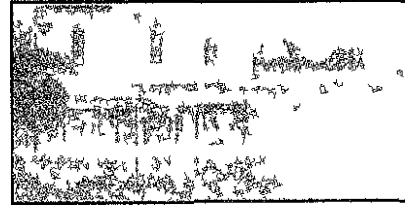
SOUTH LYON \$239,742
3 BR 2.5 BA approx 1855 SF 1st flr mstr w/ bath & lg closets. g styl sh k t w/bkfst bar & loads of cupboards. GR w/cath cling & FP f n daylt bsmt w rec rm office 1/2 bath. Much more. (F742)

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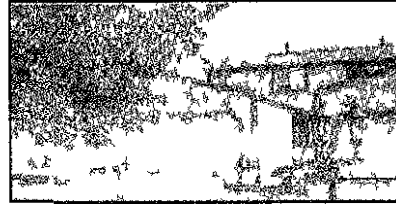
LIVONIA \$214,900
LARGE NORTH LIVONIA RANCH! 3 BR 3 BA well maintained updated 2 fin rms in bsmt. lg rec rm w/woodburning stove. Drwl of kit to fin deck w/covered jacuzzi w/bt on bar & much more. (M29520)

734 591 9200



CANTON \$209,900
CLASSY & STYLISH! 3 BR 1.5 BA colon a 2 car att'd garage basement lots of quality ceramic tile premium carpet Kohler fixtures FR w/FP & cath ceiling lg deck & more! (B2300)

734 591 9200



NORTHVILLE \$205,000
CAREFREE CONDO LIVING IN NORTHVILLE! Bright and cheery end unit w/ newer carpeting crown moldings master bath partially finished rec room and 2 car garage. Great value at \$205,000. (94CON2)

248 349 6200



LIVONIA \$203,900
WOW! WHAT A HOUSE! Main t'ned & updated to perfection! Beautiful FR addit on off kit over looks xtra deep park like yd. Fin bsmt w/office dry bar many updates app inc & more. (L35853)

734 591 9200



LIVONIA \$199,800
SHOWN WITH PRIDE! 3 BR b ck Ranch w/much curb appeal. Updated nter o. includes carpet w ndws furn AC electr ca BA & more. 2 car heated garage bsmt & convenient loca. (27BLU2)

248 348 6430



WESTLAND \$189,900
YOU WON'T WANT TO LEAVE! lovely 3 Bdr 2 bath ranch w/hwe carpet & paint roof shngles privacy fence landscapng gorgeous sun rm sor nklers p ant box window 2 car gar & more! (R368)

734 326 2000



DETROIT \$184,900
OPEN DOOR & ENTER INTO ELEGANCE!
 This one stands out in the crowd! You can move in without doing anything. New windows new roof and so on. (23O8770)

734 455-7000



LIVONIA \$184,900
DESIRABLE RANCH IN OLD ROSEDALE GARDENS! Hardwood floors throughout kitchen has been updated. (All appliances stay) Fin shed Basement has second bath. Fenced yard. Close to X ways school and park. (20BER2)

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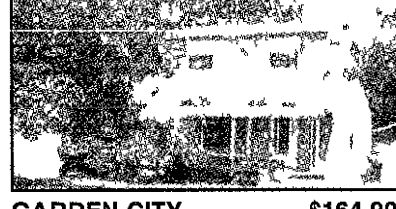
WESTLAND \$172,900
HURRY TO THIS WELL POLISHED 3 BR RANCH! Full brk wide open flr plan many expensive upgrades impress ve kit w/oak cab ntry ceramic flng & granite counters remodeled bath FP nFR & much more! (C36255)

734 591 9200



WESTLAND \$169,900
LIVONIA SCHOOLS BEAUTY! Wow Don't miss this lovely 3BR home w/ 1 1/2 baths freshly painted updated oak kit nice warm feel ng but C/A and 1600+ SF plus 2 car garage. (I845)

734-326 2000



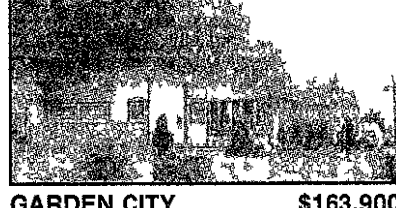
GARDEN CITY \$164,900
GORGEOUS 4 large BRs 2 1/2 baths freshly painted completely updated wall copper plumbing finished basement newer windows doorwall to deck and Gazebo w/hot tub. (B289)

734 326-2000



WESTLAND \$164,900
BRICK RANCH ON A NICE ROAD! New tear off roof HWH newer eat in kit With some work & TLC this can become a great home. 3 bdrm party fnshd bsmt w/bar 2.5 car att gar Livon schools. (23G8466)

734 455 7000



GARDEN CITY \$163,900
VACATION AT HOME! Gorgeous updated 3 bdrm ranch w/ n bsmt & 2.5 car garage. Newer roof w n furn CA paint carpet & more. Open floor plan w/cathedral ceilings wet bar pool! (P310)

734 326 2000



WESTLAND \$159,900
ABSOLUTELY ADORABLE! Well loved 3 bdrm 1 bath ranch in Westland. Updates include large deck bathroom beautifully renovated refurbshed hrdwd flrs Bsmt living space w/storage. (23S38304)

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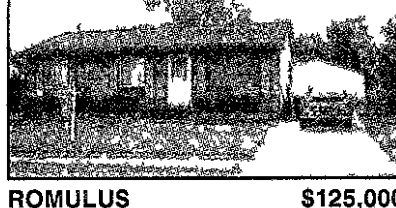
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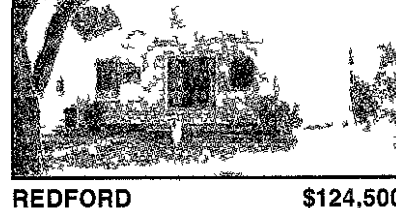
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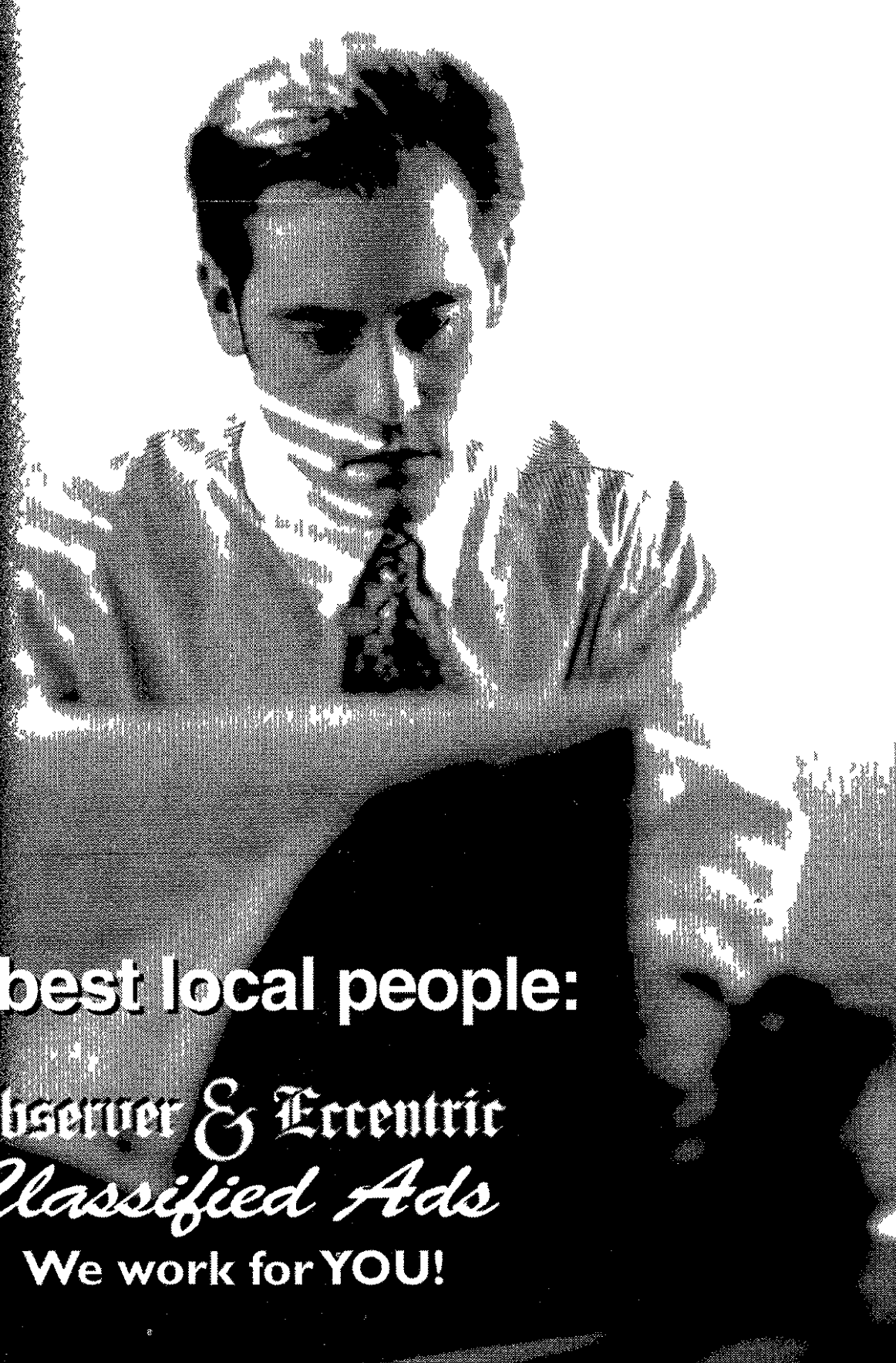
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Contents of home</p> <p>W BLOOMFIELD Thurs Fr Sept 18 & 19 10 5 30 s 40 s Spode Rattan porch furn lawn ornaments church pew</p> <p>WESTLAND ESTATE SALE Saturday Sept 20 9 5pm 8801 B son S off Warren E of Wayne Furniture house hold items inens & more</p> <p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>BELLEVILLE 14752 Hoeft Multi-Family Off of Huron River Dr Sat 8a 4p Sun 8a 7p Electronics lots of books clothing baby items numerous assorted items Help Del Sa Get To Ireland</p> <p>BEVERLY HILLS Old wicker rocker wicker buggy mahogany folding card table old folk art c ock cottage style porcelain top table antique doll bed oak serpentine front chest victorian iron or b Many more inte est ng items Between Evergreen & Southfield N off 13 Mile 31302 Chu ch I Thurs & Fr</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>Beverly Hills Great baby & household items! 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Fri Sept 19 & Sat Sept 20 9 4pm 252 George St W of Old Woodward E of Perce btwn Lincoln & Maple Fab ulous & stylsh items incude furniture & much more</p> <p>BIRMINGHAM Fri am 9 30 4 Many household items toys & more 927 South Bates S of Maple N of Lincoln</p> <p>BIRMINGHAM Fri Sept 19th 9 4 1011 Smt h N of 14 W of Woodward Old & new items good variety</p> <p>BIRMINGHAM Sept 18 19 20th 8 3 5522 W Lincoln Moving overseas everything must go Little Tykes baby & kids household furniture plus seasonal</p> <p>BIRMINGHAM Multi family sale Thur Fr 8 30 3 30 1443 Yorksh re Adams/Map e area Lots of k ds items</p> <p>BLOOMFIELD Sept 18 20 9 4pm 3558 Darcy Dr S of Quanton off Lashe Toys clothes furniture electronics pool table much more</p> <p>BLOOMFIELD HILLS 2 sales! corner of Adams & Tennyson Downs & btwn Quanton & Watties Sept 19th & 20th from 9 5</p> <p>Bloomfield Hills Women s Natione Farm & Garden Assoc Thur 9 18 Fr 9 19 9 4pm 4339 Ardmore Dr (off Lahser S of Long Lake)</p> <p>BLOOMFIELD MULTI FAMILY Fri Sept 19 11 6 Sat Sept 20 9 5 4894 Burney Dr SW of Adams & Watties Furniture collectibles speaker boxes music collect on s d ng mower des gner clothes</p> <p>CANTON 121 Willard Rd Kids clothes toys furniture o d 4 s Sept 18 20 9 4 Rain or shine</p> <p>CANTON Thur 4 8pm Fri 9 5pm Sat 12 6pm 1179 Heritage N of Palmer W of Haggerty Women s to 4X kids 6 & up coats mower bikes dishes toys Much more</p> <p>CANTON Moving Sale Sat Sun 8 7 6957 Poppleton Royal Point West Sub S of War en W of Beck</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>CANTON SUNFLOWER SUB Thurs Sept 18 Sat Sept 20 9am 7 (W of Canton Center) S of Warren) LOOK FOR SIGNS AND YELLOW BALLOONS</p> <p>CANTON 43053 Avon Rd E off of Morton Taylor betw Ford & Hanford Fr Sat Matching cherry cribs mint dresser etc</p> <p>CANTON Moving Sale Sept 19 & 20 9 5 7836 Charrington Dr W of Sheldon Center btwn Joy & Warren Furniture holiday ornaments/trees desks new ceramic pie plates pool equip loads of top quality items! (734) 461 2114</p> <p>CANTON Multi Subs Fall Sale Oakvale Stone Gate Cherry Hill Orchards N of Palmer S of Cherry Hill E & W of Lilley Sept 18 21 9am 5pm</p> <p>CANTON CLARKSTON MULTI FAMILY Sept 19 & 20 9 5pm Haggerty Woods Condos 1/2 Mile S/Ford Rd</p> <p>CANTON Sept 19 & 20 9am 4pm 6785 Woonsocket off Morton Taylor S of Warren 18 years accumulaton</p> <p>CANTON BIGI Tons of new & gently used items priced to sell Housewares sports baby jewelry too much to list! 45495 Muirfield (Fairway Pines Sub)</p> <p>CANTON Cherry Grove Condominiums N of 13 E of Halsted Baby Girl Clothes & Dive Gear September 18 20</p> <p>CLARKSTON MULTI FAMILY Fr & Sat Sept 19 & 20 10 5pm 7821 Brookpines Deer Valley Sub Cranberry Lake Rd & M 15</p> <p>COMMERCIAL TWP 5 family! baby clothes toys books & accessories 2 china cabinets couch chairs nordic track machine knitting yarn adult clothing & much more 200 Rupert off of South Commerce btwn Commerce & Oakley Park Thurs Fri & Sat 10 6 248 360 4187</p> <p>Commerce Twp Sat 9 5 3207 Adele Terrace S of Commerce E of Newton Entertainment center washer dryer stove executive desk sk s childrens items etc</p> <p>DAVISBURG 10602 D below Dix e and Davisburg Rd Thurs Fr Sat 9 5pm Household misc furniture</p> <p>DEARBORN HTS Huge Sale ceated out Mom s attic c 65 yrs of accumulations priced to go 1 blk E of Inkster 3 bks S of Ford 1/2 blk W of Arboy 27057 Simone Sept 18 21st & 25 27th 10 5</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Sept 19 20 Fr Sat 9 5pm Many Homes (W off Orchard Lake between 10 & 11 Mile</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>Farmington Hills Thurs Sat Sept 18 20 9 4pm 33850 Coifax W of Farmington Rd N of 8 Lots of toys clothes</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS 1 day sale! Sat 8am 5pm 35046 Valley Forge E side of Drake btwn 12 & 13 Mile</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Big Moving Sale n Kmberley Sub Washer Dryer kid & household goods Stair Stepper etc Fri 9/19 & Sat 9/20 30341 Pipers Ln</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Multi Family 38252 Lane Dr N off 9 Mile W of Halsted Thurs & Fri 9 30 5pm Sat 9 30 3pm</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Sat Sept 20 7am 4pm 35746 Old Homestead N/Grand River & W/Drake</p> <p>Farmington Hills Sierra Pointe Condominiums N of 13 E of Halsted Baby Girl Clothes & Dive Gear September 18 20</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Going out of business off ce furni ture supplies copiers com puters tables chairs microwaves desks sectional sofa (like new) file cabinets household items ladies cloth ng 34566 Bunker Hill Dr off 12 mi W of Farmington Sept 18 20th 9 5</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Huge Sale! 21435 Hamilton Baby clothes toys appliances Thur Sun Sept 18 21</p> <p>Farmington Hills Hunt ng Equip antique furniture & toys misc Fri Sat 8 5 32940 Brarcrest Knoll S of 14 W of Middlebelt</p> <p>FARMINGTON R dge/Glens Subdivide Garage Sale N of 13 Mile between Haggerty & Halsted Sept 18 20 9 30am 3pm Something for everyone</p> <p>FARMINGTON Thurs Sat 9 4pm 23240 Orchard Lake Rd S of 10 Mile Rolltop computer desk trailer antique furniture fabr c & quilting notion 1998 V lagger/Windstar seats Much more!</p> <p>FERRDALE Antiques Heywood Wakefield table assorted furniture collectibles tools & misc Sat Only starting at 3am 561 St Lois W of Woodward N of 8 Mile</p> <p>FERRDALE Antiques & collectibles galore Furniture cool stuff + glow sticks 6 family Don t miss Fri & Sat 10 4 1806 Pinecrest S off 9</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>GARAGE SALE Thursday & Friday 9 4 Sat 9 3 9624 Mayfield Livonia (South of Plymouth East of Farmington) Ant ques (7 Oak Teachers Bookcase Metal/ Porcelain bath sink Drysrink Dressers Books M sc) Baby Items (C oth ng Swings Play pens Car Seats Crbs Toys M sc) Tools (Band saw Scroll Saw Misc) Avon Clothing (adult & Children Infant Official Red W ng Snow Su ts) Quality Toys Golf Clubs Furniture</p> <p>GARDEN CITY Sept 19th 20th 9 5 6660 Whittby corner of Windsor & Whiby</p> <p>GARDEN CITY Kids stuff Sat 9 20 3 7 & Sun 9/21 1 5 29214 Reeslyn off Middlebelt N of Cherry Hill</p> <p>Garden City Moving Sale Fr Sun Sept 19 21 9 5pm 33846 Alta N off Cherry Hill btwn Farmington & Radcliffe</p> <p>HUGE 2 Family Garage Sale We ve been collecting items all summer Come & see! Computer equipment stereo equipment household items Designer children s clothing Just follow the signs all the way up the hill 19318 Scenic Harbour Dr Highland Lakes subd vision (enter off 8 Mile at S lver Springs) Thur Fri & Sat 9 5</p> <p>Livonia LARGE MOVING SALE Thurs Sat 10 6pm Six Mile W of Farmington</p> <p>LIVONIA 3 sales same block Thurs Sat 20326 Melvin 5 bks W of Middlebelt 1 1/2 bks S of 8 Mile</p> <p>LIVONIA 5 family sale Household furniture tools hardware sports equip clothes dryer 1921 Overland car Sept 19 & 20 9am 5pm S of 5 W of Newburgh 14192 Houghton</p> <p>LIVONIA A/C unit furniture crib discounted HOL/CATW misc Sat Sun 9 4 20010 Renssler N of 7 W of Inkster</p> <p>LIVONIA Huge multi family Childrens items tools antiques Sat Sun 9 6 29129 Oriole N of Schoolcraft E off Middlebelt</p> <p>LIVONIA Sept 18 20 9 5pm 17747 Woodside E of Levan N of 6 Mile Multi Family Misc items</p> <p>Livonia Something for everyone! Sept 18 20 9 6 18440 Flora 2 bks S 7 Mi 5 bks W Inkster</p> <p>LIVONIA 30079 7 Mile W of Midd ebelt Sat & Sun 10 6</p> <p>LIVONIA 40 yrs of Avon at deep discount prices jewelry & collectibles 30715 Seven Mile W/W/d ebelt</p> <p>LIVONIA multi family garage sale Sept 19th & 20th 9 5 8874 Melvin W of Midd ebelt N of Joy</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>LIVONIA Multi family Sept 18 20 9 5 18869 Aspen Dr off 7 Mile E of Wayne Furniture household toys bikas tools</p> <p>LIVONIA Multi houses Thurs Sat 9 4 Fairlane Ct (1/2 mi W of Farmington rd off 7 mi) Toys bikes household items Kids teen and adult clothes</p> <p>LIVONIA Sept 19 21 8 4pm Name brand girls clothes 0 4 mens & womens misc household items 11922 Brookfield S off Plymouth E of Farmington</p> <p>LIVONIA Sept 18 19 20 9 4 35855 Richland S of Plymouth W of Wayne Furniture household items Precious Moments misc</p> <p>LIVONIA Thurs Fr Sat 9 30 5pm Baby clothes toys atc 20126 Floral btwn 7 & 8 Mile</p> <p>LIVONIA THURS SAT 9 4pm Antiques & Collectibles 14476 Ramblewood Lyndon & Levan between 5 Mile/1 98</p> <p>LIVONIA Thurs & Fri 9 4 Sat 9 12 Big sale kids stuff Little Tikas household 36572 Ross Lyndon & Newburgh</p> <p>Livonia Thurs Sun 9 6 30444 Nye 5 Mi/Henry Ruff Antiques collectible furniture boat kids to + size clothes holiday items great buys</p> <p>LIVONIA Fr & Sat 9 5 34283 Pembroke btwn 7 & 8 mi off Gill Turn E on Navn Doodles of stuff</p> <p>LIVONIA MULTI FAMILY Sept 19th only 9 4pm 34035 Doras N/5 Mile W/Farmington follow signs</p> <p>LIVONIA Multi family! 18471 Queensbury S of 7 W of Newburgh Fri & Sat 9 4 Furniture kids clothes/toys</p> <p>LIVONIA Big Big Sale! Collectibles (Dept 56 cards Precious Moments & More) Furniture books household items etc 34975 Norfolk Sat & Sun 9 4 1 blk S of 8 Mile W of off Gill</p> <p>LIVONIA Huge Garage Sale! Thurs Sat 10 5 18568 Sunset 2 bks E of Merriman off 7 Mile Lots of great stuff!</p> <p>LIVONIA Sept 18 20 9 3 14083 Edgewood N/96 Stark/Levan Baby stuff toys kids clothes Futon table bikes</p> <p>NORTH ROYAL OAK Housewares electronics computer supplies panings holiday decorations chil dren s furniture and toys some items never used! Sat & Sun Sept 20 & 21 10 4 4412 Buckingham 2 bks S of 14 Mi W of Woodward</p> <p>Northville TDPS 25 Family Garage & Bake Sale Thurs & Fri 9am 3pm No pre sales 15855 Winchester Dr 1 mi W of Haggerty N of 5</p> <p>NORTHVILLE Huge Multi Family sale Sept 18 20 25 27th 45150 Mayo SE of 9 mi & Taft 9 7 + Schooling stuff</p>	<p>Garage Sales 7110</p> <p>NOVI Fri Sept 19 9 4pm 41168 Hollydale S of 10 Mile E of Meadowbrook Jewelry crafts household collectibles</p> <p>NOVI Fri & Sat 9 4 23100 Heatherwoode N of 9 Mile W of Haggerty Furniture household childrens</p> <p>NOVI Multi family Lochmoor Village S side of 11 Mi E of Beck Furniture kid s cloth ng toys etc 9/18 & 9/19 10 3 9/20 9 2</p> <p>NOVI BARN/GARAGE SALE 30+ years of stuff! 9 30AM 5pm Thurs Fri Sat 28331 Haggerty N/12 Mile Heavy automotive old car parts tools etc Furniture clothes You name it I have it!</p> <p>NOVI Fri noon 7pm Sat 9 5 Sun 1 5 39509 Ruston Blvd 1/2 mi S of 12 Mile 1 blk W of Haggerty Clothing including petites collectibles & many household items</p> <p>PLYMOUTH Baby toys kids clothes brass bed 15224 Maxwell off 5 Mile W/Haggerty Sept 18-20 9-4</p> <p>Plymouth Fri & Sat 10 6 Furniture oven clothes exercise equip 1132 Turkey Sun W/Sheldon N/Ann Arbor Tr</p> <p>PLYMOUTH HUGE! Sat & Sun Sept 20th 21st 9 5 10381 W Ann Arbor Rd storage unit items furniture appliances toys KIDS clothes & more</p> <p>PLYMOUTH Multi families Fri Sat 8 30 6 Toy! Toys! Toys! Collectibles dishes furniture computers & office equip Ann Arbor Tri betw Beck & Sheldon take Glenview</p> <p>PLYMOUTH Sat & Sun 9 5pm 130 Wilcox corner of Holbrook Housewares bikes some furniture jewelry misc</p> <p>Plymouth- Huge condo wide 1 day only! Sat Sept 20 3am 3 Plymouth Points Condominiums Ridge Rd & N Territorial Rd</p> <p>REDFORD 9902 Tecumseh 1 blk N of W Chicago between Beech Daly & Inkster Tools hospital equip bed room sets lots of misc Sat 10 5 Sun 12 5</p> <p>REDFORD Hurricane Sale Rain or shine Everything indoors Tools furniture appliances housewares etc Fri Sat 10 5 9148 San Jose S of W Chicago E of Inkster</p> <p>REDFORD Sept 19 & 20 8 4 pm 14932 Summer E of Beech Daly S of 5 Mile Little bit of everything</p> <p>REDFORD Fri 9/19 & Sat 9/20 10 6 19654 Brady S of 8 Mile N of Grand River Estate sale items</p>
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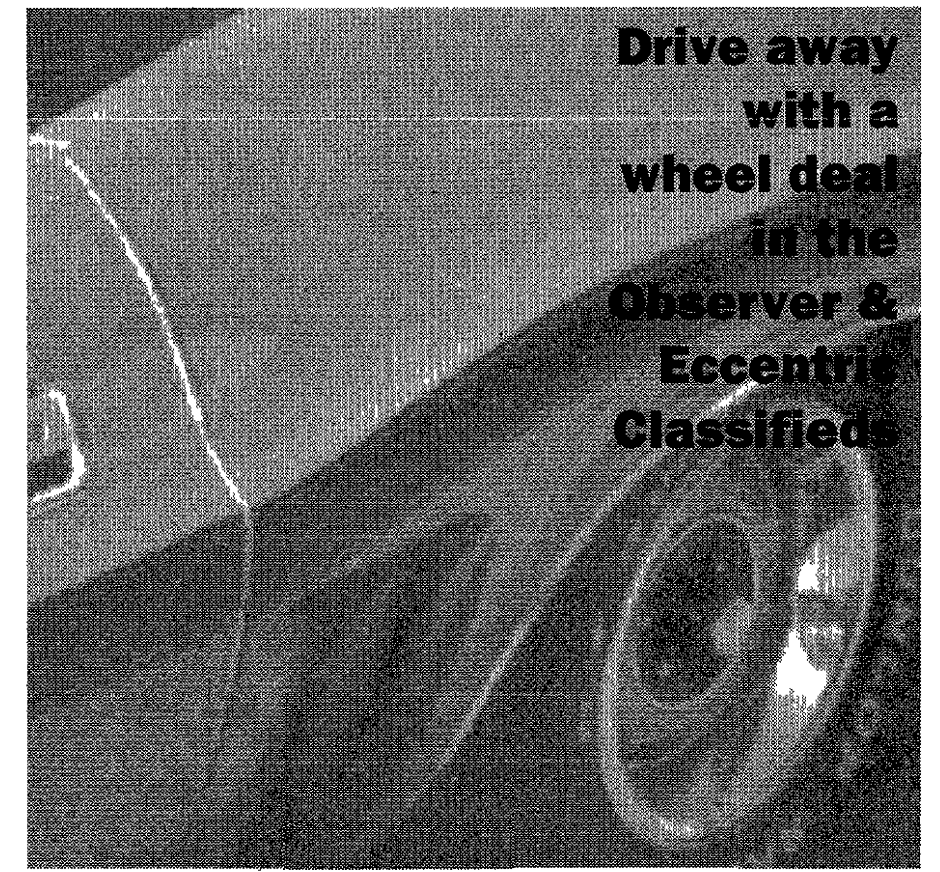
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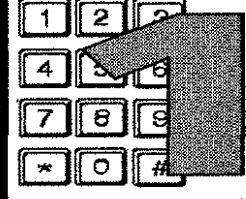
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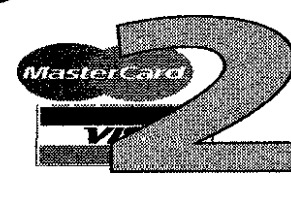


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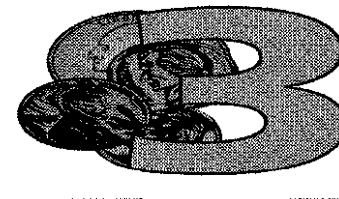
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SHARE A MOONLIT NIGHT
Bubbly SWF 55 5 4 135 lbs
reddish/blonde hair hazel eyes
Enjoys bowling sports and exer
cise Looking for a sincere good
humored SWM 50 52
Ad# 493215

LOOKING FOR FUN
SWM 34 outgoing cheerful
employed full time smoker seek
ing a SWM age not important
She enjoys talking being with her
friends going to clubs and getting
to know people Ad# 531198

LOOKING FOR A COP
Capture this SWF 30 5 11 with
wavy blonde hair Can't believe I'm
doing this thought I try any
things true novels painting
sculpture interior design Seeking
a good friend SWM 35-45
Ad# 531139

CANDLE LIT DINNERS
I'm a petite SWF 49 years of age
searching for a tall attractive
financially secure SWM 42 57
who enjoys travel theater dancing
and working out Ad# 530593

NEW FRIEND
26 year old East Indian SF 5 4
170 lbs blond hair brown eyes
quiet natured Enjoys sports and
walks Seeking an outgoing honest
caring SWM between 21 28
Ad# 509755

FULL OF LIFE
SWF 5 7 41 blonde hair blue
eyes proportionally fit Loves life!
Enjoys hiking travel the beach
and more Seeking a SWM 49 or
older with similar interests for
companionship adding to a possi
ble relationship Ad# 507391

BE YOURSELF
I'm a SWF 27 5 9" with dark
hazel eyes who's care no honest
and an understanding person
Seeking a handsome special
SWM 29 35 family oriented No
games Ad# 496396

GOOD NATURED
SWF 55 6 1 medium build cool
legs graduate non smoke
Enjoys working out theater
movies working and more
Seeking a SWM 6 3 plus 53 62
who is well groomed and profes
sional for friendship first
Ad# 470261

ARE YOU EXCEPTIONAL?
Educated well traveled energetic
warm SWF 45 N/S Enjoys
working out cooking pool golf
antiquing etc Looking for an
active handsome sweet SWM
under 55 Ad# 629289

KISSES REQUIRED
SWF 50 green eyed blonde
tender loving care Enjoys
animals the arts conversation
and nature Looking for an intelli
gent SWM 40 80 for friendship
and possibly more Ad# 529249

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE & OUT
SWF 57 5 4 red curly hair
brown eyes Enjoys movies the
ater boating swimming cooking
and time with family Seeking a
SWM 55-75 who is smart out
doorsy and possibly more profes
sional for friendship first
Ad# 473611

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU!
I'm a SWF 52 5 5 with black hair
& brown eyes who enjoys bow
ling & jazz Seeking an outgoing
smart SWM 48 55 with a great
sense of humor Ad# 529309

MULTI INTERESTED ADF
SBF 50 handsome has teenage
son enjoys garden and meet
ing new people Seeking SM 40
60 race unimportant Ad# 528223

CALL ME
SNA Mom 26 5 4 120 lbs
seeking tall thin SM 21 29 with
a mustache & eyebrow piercing
Ad# 519034

AWAITING YOUR CALL
She is a SWF 55 years of age who
enjoys riding Harley's camping
travel and family life She would
like to build a friendship possi
bly a relationship with a SWM 45 65
no games! Ad# 501161

HONORABLE
Bright fun SWF 50 5 8 slender
long blonde hair brown eyes new
to the area Enjoys sailing running
daily eating well & staying active
in search of an outgoing tall slen
der sincere intelligent SWM 45
60 with various interests
Ad# 516494

INTRODUCE YOURSELF
SWM hair/eyes fun low ng SWF
39 like sports trying new things
Seeking SWM over 32 good friend
a love someone with similar inter
ests Ad# 499466

LIFE OF THE PARTY
Attractive fun creative SBF 39
loves to laugh Enjoys dinner par
ties travel and scrap booking
Looking for a chivalrous SM 35
50 Ad# 512355

MAKE TIME FOR ME
I'm a 45 year old SWF with blonde
hair who's been looking for
romance in all the wrong places
Seeking a good natured humor
ous talkative gentle kind SWCM
34-45 for romance and compan
ionship I prefer someone without
children Ad# 505052

HAPPY GO LUCKY
SBF 31 5 6" great sense of
humor who enjoys decorating
cooking and reading Seeking non
ast trustworthy respectful intelli
gent SM 31 50 has zest for life
Ad# 506016

BROWN EYED LADY
SWF 5 4 48 enjoys barbecued
ribs tinned yams par burning
books Desires SWM N/S 40-55
that I can look up to who can
make me laugh is sort of hand
some and secure in finances and
self Ad# 473551

SOMEONE YOU WILL LOVE
SWF 43 5 4 blonde hair brown
eyes medium build attractive
woman Seeking a American guy
35-43 who would enjoy my com
pany Ad# 498329

DINNER?
Easygoing attractive SWF 29
enjoys dining out clubs and loves
walks in the park Looking for a
tall back good looking SM 29
39 Ad# 506117

WALK MY PIER
Slim easygoing SWF 58 is ser
ous minded confident know
edgeable Enjoys summers and
winters going places golf boat
ing Seeking SWM 55 68 for
sharing caring and warmth
Ad# 506784

NAUGHTY & NICE
SWF 45 no dependents social
drinker and smokes Seeking
SWM 45 55 with a Harley Ready
for riding the open roads
Ad# 449543

LOOKING FOR ME?
SBF 24 years old In search of a
hardworking SM 24 35 who
believes in the Lord enjoys
movies biking and havng fun
Ad# 505235

DO I INTEREST YOU?
I'm a brown eyed SB Mom 28
5 4 185 lbs who likes movies
and partying I'd like to find an
older SM who is outgoing I'd
back and I like to have fun
Ad# 505101

ENJOY LIFE
Friendly caring SWF 57 5 3
med um build dark hair/eyes
Enjoys bowling dancing camping
and spending time wth family and
friends Looking for a SWM
social drinker 55 60 who shares
the same interests for compani
onship and possi ble more
Ad# 504883

MARRIAGE MINDED
Professional SWF 50 tall blonde
hair full figured 5 long blonde
hair enjoys den ng movies sozia
ing the outdoors cooking and
more Seeking a compassionate
caring SWM 43 52 Ad# 482898

HARLEY GIRL
SWF 34 tall dark beautiful 5 11
great sense of humor loves her
children hunting and Harley's
Seeking a funny tall well built
SWM 30 45 with simla Inter
ests Kds welcome Ad# 504545

NO GAMES
SBF 50 seeking a sincere soul
mate a fun loving SM 40 60
who is gainfully employed and
knows what he wants to a ong
term relationship Ad# 504299

LUCKY YOU
Open minded SWF 49 financially
and romantically secure Seeking
mature SWM 43 57 Enjoys ed
ing good movies as m's open
sion to newer interests One who
is looking for friendship first
and possibly more Ad# 504249

SOMEONE SPECIAL
WWF 65 5 8 with brown hair
hazel eyes attractive friendly
Enjoys 20 ng to movies casual
dining some walking anything
exciting Seeking professio
nal SWM 60 30 companion friend
helps Ad# 503100

REAL SWEETHEART
SWF 28 plump with black hair
light complexion pretty sm le
with brown hair/eyes and heart
magazines/books etc Seeking
SWM 26 39 for sightseeing and
fun times Ad# 502670

ARE WE ALIKE?
SWF 50 with above average
looks good communicator ama
zing loving soul mate Seeking
SWM 45 60 clean cut gentle
man looking for serious relat
onship Ad# 482523

LIFE IS TOO SHORT
SBF 25 blonde hair blue
eyes and blonde hair Enjoys
music dancing theatre travel
and golf Looking for a N/S pleas
ant SWF gentleman 59 64 who
doesn't play head games
Ad# 420110

WHAT ARE YOUR VALUES?
Here is a SWF 55 years old 5 5
with brown hair/eyes kind heart
ed honest and compass onate
who is seeking an emotionally and
financially stable SWM 54 61
Ad# 489334

TALK TO ME
Sincere comical SWF 32 likes
outdoor fun biking walks and
good conversation Seeking
SWM 28 40 good commun cat
or Ad# 600457

COUNTRY GAY
Chr et an SWF 48 5 3 brown
hair and eyes N/S N/D who loves
the outdoors church and animals
Seeking SWM 50 plus wth same
interests Ad# 600094

LOOKING FOR YOU
I am a 56 year old love to have fun
with friends family or a partner
enjoy walks dancing theater
music movies concerts Love to
sit by a campfire or watch a sunset
I have a lot of love to give to the
right person Please your
name/number Ad# 405107

ONE MAN WOMAN
SWF 65 wth a nice appearance
knows what she wants with an
unattached/unmarried SWM 60
75 5 10 plus one woman man
See where we can go from here
Ad# 499976

LOVING & HONEST
SBF 30 5 8 175 lbs with dark
skin and full figure In search of a
down to earth SWM under 45
who is easy to talk with for com
panionship and quiet times togeth
er Ad# 496909

ARE YOU FOR ME?
Very attractive SBF 34 seeking
financially secu e generous gen
tlerman over 35 Ta x first
Ad# 496680

OLDER LOVE IS SWEETER
Are you interested in meeting a
sweet classy ga ery 50's beau
tiful brown hair and eyes who
is looking for a tall m id man
56 70 year old gentleman emo
tionally and financially secure
Ad# 403303

TAME MY HEART
SWF 65 5 2 130 lbs She is
adventurous loves to travel d ne
out stay active and much more
Seeking a SWM 55 70 who does
not take life for granted and has
simla interests Ad# 496508

WINK AT ME
Energetic vivacious sweet SWF
64 5 1 Interests are the Arts
open dancing good conversa
tions and intellectual discuss ons
Seeking a caring fun loving SWM
65 75 for a possi ble relationship
Ad# 486485

PATIENTLY WAITING FOR YOU
SWF 60 Auburn hair green eyes
Interests are Church after noon
at and goes camping outdng
and more Seeking a SWM 57 70
who is ovng humorous N/S
N/D fun and affectionate
Ad# 405309

I AM FOR YOU
SWF 66 attractive blonde
Looking for a fun loving re at on
ship wth SWM under 70 Don't
delay Ad# 495381

STARTING OVER
Divorced wth female 37 b orde
blue eyes 5 9 mes um build
great personality Interests include
camping outdoors sports travel
d n ng out and danc ng Looking
for a single wth male 37-47 wth
same interests Ad# 482767

MY IDEAL MAN
SWF 36 5 7 sexy mom sincere
with some co legs ka k ck box
ng evening swimmmg and
much more I can offer honesty
s ince y died cat on to an educat
ed farm y or entec SWM 30 43
Ad# 494134

A REAL GEM
Green eyed appealing WWF 49
5 7 humo ous homemaker
aggressive Loves the outdoors
Sardening travel and sports
Seeking a SM 39 70 compass on
ate and nice looking Ad# 488338

CALL ME
SWF 33 smoker occasional
drinker Enjoys swimming bicy
cling works on aquar ems
Seeking SWM 28 43 Sound inter
est ng! Ad# 485274

GOOD FRIEND
Semi etired SWF 59 5 5 with
blonde hair stays busy L kes
home life family gatherings
dancing fitness Seeking re ad e
good hearted SM any age
Ad# 484727

FAITHFUL
Outgoing compatible SWF 19
5 6 who currently is a stay at
home mom enjoys movies dining
and spending spaca tmes with an
honest sweet SM under 30 who
s more of a thug Ad# 483283

INTERESTED?
SBF 44 enjoys church pays
good conversation a nging and
more Looking for a SM 40 46
with simlar interests S more
regiles on y! Ad# 482616

ALL MY LOVE
SWF 37 who's hoping to meet a
SM around the same age? If this
s you call me Ad# 482471

SOMETHING REAL
SWF 25 blonde hair blue eyes
bubbly friendly and easy to get
along wth Enjoys computers
movies good conversation with
friends and more Seeking a SM
who is honest trustworthy
humorous and open Ad# 482193

NOT PERFECT
SBF 38 wth two teens physically
challenged walks with cane
Seeking relat onship wth SM 38
58 who s understanding and spe
cial Ad# 473738

CUTE BLONDE WIDOW
I'm 5 105 lbs 58 romant c
secure SF Seeking a nice looking
male 5 7 to 6 siml to med um
build who enjoys danc ng golf
live theatre and good conversat on
Macomb County Ad# 403662

SHARE LIFE
SBF 38 5 2 medium build k nd
loving and commun cat ve Enjoys
reading p comics nature boat
ng me with friends and family good
conversation and much more
Seeking a SM 35 50 who is
handsome rel gous pleasant and
has a m lar interests Ad# 47814

CUTE
Petite SWF 51 loves many activi
ties Seeking a SWM under 48
Please call me Ad# 478478

LET'S SEE WHAT BLOODS
SWF 64 5 2 118 lbs Blondis who
is happy and outgoing Interests
are the outdoors movies and gar
den ng Seeking a loveable and hon
est SNAM 60 70 who is outgoing
for companionship and possi ble
realt onship Ad# 477392

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GRACE AND ELEGANCE
SWF 50 car ng mother loves fe
n search of SWM 45 55 for
friendship possi y leading to ong
term relationship Ad# 476086

WHERE ARE YOU?
50 yrs old DWF 5 2 110 lbs
blue eyes brown hair Enjoys
music concerts outdoors
Harley's the Red Wings danc ng
etc Searching for an honest loyal
SM to enjoy life someone who
wants to casually date and has a
sense of humo Ad# 403942

RECIPE FOR LOVE
SBF 30 5 5 dark brown
hair/eyes Interests are fun times
watch ng basketball wrestling and
cooking In sea ch of SWM 30 35
tall dark hair enjoys a good chef
for possi ble relationship
Ad# 478002

IN GOD I TRUST
SWF 45 5 5 brown hair/eyes
Interests are Church after noon
at and goes camping outdng
and more Seeking a SWM 57 70
who is ovng humorous N/S
N/D fun and affectionate
Ad# 405309

AWESOME COOK!
Fun loving outgoing SWF 44 5 7
brown hair and green eyes loves
to laugh My hobbies include trav
el swimming boating and shop
ping & romant c evenings
Looking for an honest faithful
SWM 51 60 with great eyes who
oves children and intelligent con
versat on Ad# 469108

HELLO LOVE
SWF 57 easygoing Enjoys gar
den ng motorcycles and outdoor
activities and sports Seeking
SWM 58 65 Ad# 451258

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
SWF 53 5 4 114 lbs with
blonde hair Interests are theater
ant que shopping read ng pays
and much more in search of a
SWM over 43 who is honest and
sincere for friendship first
Ad# 451146

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ROAD TO HAPPINESS
This family oriented outgoing
SWF 32 enjoys scary movies car
niva and long walks She is seek
ing SWM 28 40 who s caring
likes children down to earth and
is sincere for a elastionsp
Ad# 475521

CHECK ME OUT
Lovng loyal and down to earth
SWF 37 with long blonde hair
Seeking a taller man 6 plus
secure wth n himself over 40
Ad# 474958

FRIENDS TO START
SWF 47 5 5 attractive employed
blonde seeking SWM 42 50
for a fun relationship that may lead
to more Ad# 446329

I'M YOUR LADY
Friendly easygoing SWF 45 5 7
blonde with blue eyes My hobb
es include travel nature walks pho
tography & intelligent conversa
tion I would love to meet a SWM
45+ who s family oriented intelli
gent and has a touch of class
Ad# 474315

A COMPANION
SBF 48 professional full figured
Enjoys concerts tmes wth family
trave walking and more Seeking
a SM who is open honest lovng
and reliable Ad# 473235

COMPANIONSHIP
Classy blonde WWF 65 5 3
120 lbs who enjoys dining out
and golf and trav Seeking for a
SWF gentleman 65 72
Ad# 473072

GOAL ORIENTED
SWF 29 5 9 wth bush green
eyes and full figure Interests are
fshng camp ng swimmg and
much more In search of a SWM
26 37 for friendship to start that
can lead into an ong term relat
ionsp Ad# 471960

SHY BUT OUTGOING
SWF 42 sette with bonde hair
and blue eyes Interests are the
outdoors working out gardening
etc Searching for an attract ve
SWM 35 47 who has simlar
Interests wth good morals
Ad# 418148

NEW TO THE ADS
SWF 46 5 2 118 lbs Blondis who
is happy and outgoing Interests
are the outdoors movies and gar
den ng Seeking a loveable and hon
est SNAM 60 70 who is outgoing
for companionship and possi ble
realt onship Ad# 477392

ENJOY LIFE
SWF 37 5 7 wth blue eyes and
brown hair Interests are time with
her children camping basketball
golfing music and concerts
Looking for a SWM 30 45 who is
fun to be around Ad# 444655

ALWAYS SMILING
SWF 44 5 7 with brown hair and
hazel eyes Interests are swim
mg shopping NASCAR fishing and
much more In search of a
SWM 51 6 3 34 50 who is
honest and trustworthy
Ad# 468434

WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU?
SWF 66 5 6 average build with
brown hair & eyes interested in
gardening dancing swimmg ng
cooking & romant c evenings
Looking for an honest faithful
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ROMANTIC WALKS
SBF 30 5 8 sexy and attract ve
Interests are basketball footba
l playing pool the beach and more
Looking for a SM 28-40 who is
honest romantic funny and open
minded Ad# 459735

HONEST & SINCERE
SWF 49 5 5 brown hair & blue
eyes Outgoing and shy My hobb
es are outdoors antiques and
cooking Looking for a SWM 49
57 honest and enjoys outdoor
activities Ad# 458615

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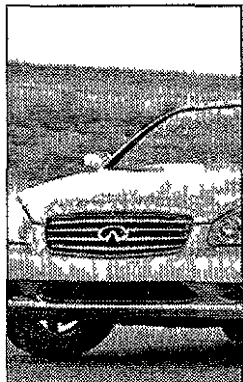
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BY DALE BUSS

There is more than one way to snap heads around, and Nissan's 350Z delivers at least two of them: the way people's heads swivel when they see this stylish and substantial machine whiz by, and the way their heads are pressed to the back of the seat when this thing takes off.

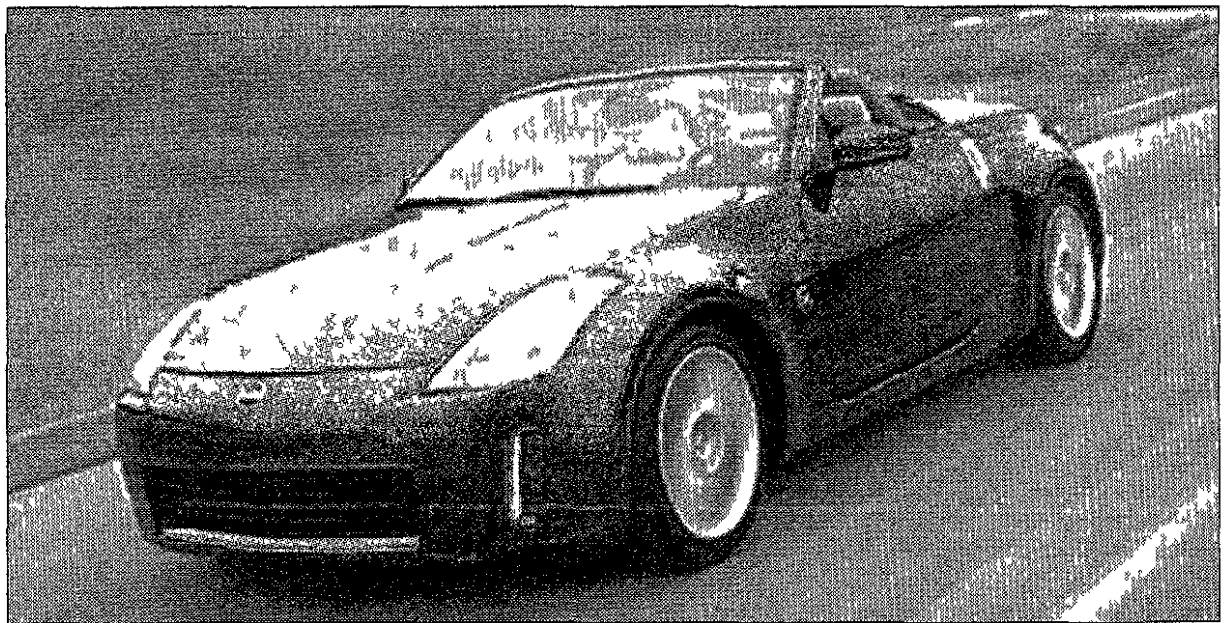
That's usually enough in the case of a sports car. But from 350Z, there is also much more, including — believe it or not — significant cargo space. For suggested retail prices of \$26,000 to \$34,000, it's among the more affordable and value-laden sporty automotive statements available.

Nissan revived its storied Z series for 2003 with this two-seater, which bowed as a two-door hatchback. Real enthusiasts will recall the Datsun 240Z of a generation ago, in the mid-Nineties, Nissan also had a 300ZX that was turbocharged and very pricey. Recently, Nissan also added a 350Z convertible that has become available as an early 2004 model. Being able to put the top down on this car will only add to the joy of a Z.

The story of a car like this, of course, begins with its power, and the 350Z doesn't disappoint. The engine is a 3.5-liter V6, turned for 287 horsepower. A six-speed manual transmission is standard, and the Touring version I drove had a five-speed automatic transmission with a manual shift gate.

While it's listed as being able to reach 60 mph in less than six seconds, I actually found the 350Z, at least with the automatic transmission, not to be as explosive out of the starting gate as I had anticipated and, certainly, a little less responsive in that regard than other vehicles I've driven recently, including the Audi TT Roadster. But 350Z quickly made up for it as the car geared up, always providing ample punch — and effortlessly so — for merging or passing or dodging or just showing off.

Steering and braking were both quite touchy, which is a positive with a car with this much raw



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power. The Z really stuck to the road through all kinds of turning and maneuvering, which also is a big plus. Similarly, the ride is very firm and feeling-it, and there's enough growling from the engine and regular road noise audible in the cockpit that cell-phone conversations can be rough. But, hey, you don't buy this car for a multitasking commute anyway.

Appreciation of the Z, though, also must include its styling. Its bulging front fenders and fast back make the 350Z reminiscent of a Porsche, and at the very least provide an indubitable sports-car stance. The Touring edition comes with sharp-looking, 18-inch performance tires and xenon headlights.

What's more, its shape allows the Z to slice through the air with a minimum co-efficient of drag (0.29 on the Track model), so mileage ends up being 19 mpg in the city and 26 on the highway — more than respectable for a vehicle that isn't meant to win fuel-economy awards per se.

Moving to the inside of the vehicle, 350Z presented some disconcerting characteristics, however. First of all, it was extremely difficult even for a person of average height to squeeze into, and guinea pigs over six feet tall had considerable trouble compacting their frames enough to feel totally comfortable in the driver's seat. And for most drivers, navigating the doorway and sliding into the seat was difficult with-

out contortions that risked tweaking a muscle. Inside, the Z also feels a bit claustrophobic, because it's more than a little challenging to feel confident as a driver that you've got a complete picture of your outside surroundings. Because of the car's extreme fastback, for instance, the rear window is an almost-useless slot in the rear-view mirror. The convertible version will come in handy here.

A huge plus for 350Z, especially over other two-seaters, is the relatively cavernous cargo compartment under the hatch. I fit all the weekly groceries for a family of four comfortably in the space, which, among other things, tells me that the car would fairly easily hold enough luggage for a driver and a passenger to take on a weekend or even week-long trip.

The consistency of design between interior and exterior is another pleasure of the Z. Everything inside makes a tubular, aerodynamic statement, including the vent wells, the door handles and the gauges. The brushed-aluminum trim is a nice complement to the black-leather interior in the Touring version I drove.

And the crossbar of brushed aluminum emblazoned with a large "Z," which is visible through the rear window, makes for a nice statement as well. The Z is back.

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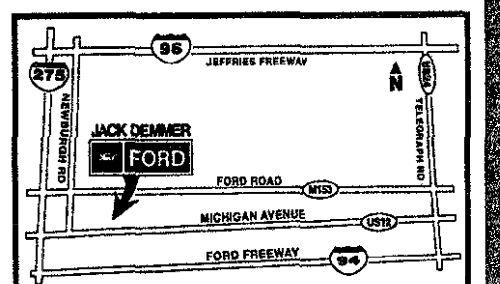
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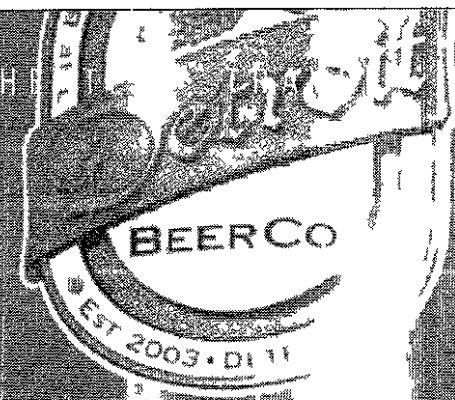
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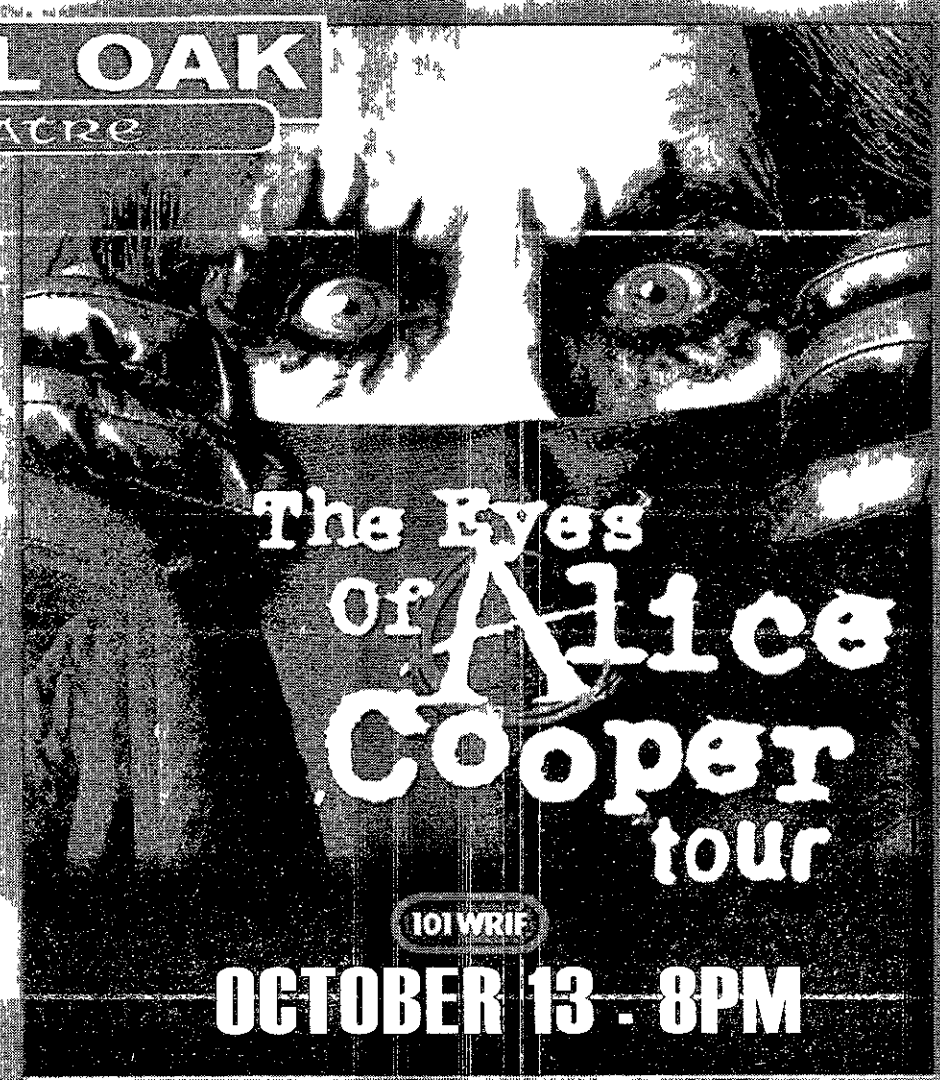
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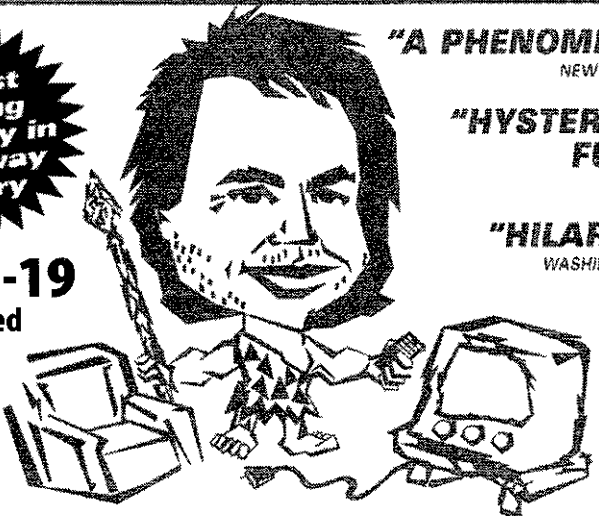
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Hot Ticket

Czar-gazing

Russian empire's treasures make first North American appearance

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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The remains of one of the world's great czarist dynasties — Russia's Romanov family — is making its North American debut in Ann Arbor.

The Romanovs Collect European Art from the Hermitage, opens Sunday, Sept. 21, at the University of Michigan Museum of Art in Ann Arbor.

The Romanovs, who reigned from 1689 to 1917, avidly collected European art in large part to demonstrate their wealth and power to other nations.

Though the family's possessions make for a vast collection, most of the pieces have never been seen by Americans because the works have never left Russia. "This is, in many ways, an opportunity to see hidden treasures," said James Steward, the museum's director and curator of *The Romanovs Collect*.

The landmark exhibition not only anchors the University of Michigan's campus-wide Celebrating St. Petersburg Festival, but also marks a new direction for UMMA.

"We are really making a commitment to being a resource for the entire state of Michigan," said Steward. "This is an ambitious project, but we have been doing much more in terms of international loans and serving as a catalyst for wider university programs."

ART LECTURES

Several visiting curators are slated to speak in conjunction with 'The Romanovs Collect.'

- **3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28:** 'Becoming Russian: The Evolution of Russian Style in the Imperial Court' with Alexey Leporc, assistant professor, Department of Art History, European University, St. Petersburg.
- **4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7:** 'The Anglomania of the Russian Tsars' with Elizaveta Renne, senior researcher and keeper of British and Scandinavian painting, Western European Art Department, State Hermitage Museum.



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Portrait of Catherine II, British, 1782, by Richard Brompton, comes from the State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg.

The exhibit's 140 works, all of which are European art or decorative objects, come from the distinguished State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg.

The exhibit, organized chronologically by czar, begins with pieces amassed by Peter the Great, who became czar in 1689 and founded St. Petersburg in 1703. It closes with pieces collected by Nicholas II, who took power in 1895, when the family's personal tastes were less definitively European.

TELLING STORIES

Along the way, the exhibit tells many stories, among them the role art played in forging Russia's national identity.

"It's not art in a vacuum," said Steward. "The Romanovs used these art collections as a way to suggest they had arrived as a family and a country."

Likewise, each collection provides insight into its collector.

Peter the Great, for example, loved Dutch painting, particularly landscapes and seascapes. He also started the Romanov tradition of collecting Italian sculpture.

Catherine the Great comes across most strongly, said Steward. "She was a great shopper. She had vast resources and bought in volume beyond what any other member of her family did."

Catherine's taste for the Old Masters, the art of her own time, and the neoclassical comes across in such works as Hans Bol's panoramic *Allegory of Spring*, Jean Baptiste Greuze's *Portrait of a Young Man*

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What: The Romanovs Collect European Art from the Hermitage
When: Sunday, Sept. 21 through Sunday, Nov. 23. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.
Where: University of Michigan Museum of Art, 525 South State, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor.
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in a Hat and Anton Raphael Meng's *Annunciation*.

Some of Catherine the Great's interests will likely surprise many Americans, said Steward. For instance, Catherine, who ruled between 1762 and 1796, had an interest in the progressive philosophy of the time and read many of the same books as Thomas Jefferson.

The exhibition can help to bring out these common threads. We share as cultures many of the same values and ideas, Steward said, adding, "In part we're seeking to complicate our understanding of the history of Russia and to help make Russia less remote."

RELATED PERFORMANCES

The Romanovs Collect exhibit anchors the Celebrating St. Petersburg Festival, which features numerous performances and programs. For a full schedule of events, visit www.umich.edu/stpetersburg.

- **St. Petersburg String Quartet** with pianist Maxim Mogilevsky, 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 3, Rackham Auditorium, Ann Arbor, tickets \$18-34.
- **Kirov Orchestra of the Mariinsky Theatre**, 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, Pease Auditorium, Ypsilanti, tickets \$18-65.

Big screen

Cabin Fever is brilliant, but boy, is it dark

'CABIN FEVER'
*** (out of four)

The bad news *Cabin Fever* does not contain many new ideas. Instead, it steals them.

The good news Director Eli Roth cares to steal from the very best. As any horror fanatic will tell you — in

fact, just try shutting him up — *Cabin Fever* is primarily an amalgam of two films, Tobe Hooper's *The Texas Chain Saw Massacre* and Sam Raimi's *The Evil Dead*, easily two of the most influential horror flicks in history. There's a million other references if you care to catch them — the banjo boy from *Deliverance*, the radio music from *Last House on the Left* — but you probably didn't

show up for Horror Theory 101. You just want to get seriously freaked out, right?

Is a fast-acting, flesh-eating virus freaky enough for you? That's what awaits college buddies Jeff, Karen, Paul, Marcy and Bert as they head for an isolated forest cabin for a weekend of heavy drinking, pot smoking and other illicit activities.



Extra Butter
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Things take a turn for the icky when a blood-soaked man covered with festering sores bangs on their door, pleading for help. Soon, one of the friends has caught the gruesome disease, but with their vehicle broken down, the remaining group is forced to wait for help. Nobody wants to be next. Boyfriends turn on girlfriends. Best pals turn on best pals. Some barricade themselves in. Others try to flee. But can you really ever outrun a virus?

For decades, much of the secret pleasure of viewing horror films has been witnessing the attractive, nubile young bodies of decadent teenagers get hacked to teeny weeny

pieces. Freddy, Jason and Michael were no less than self-mocking representations of parental warnings. "Be good or else." The concept of "or else" is far less ominous when revealed to be a royally pissed-off Cabbage Patch Kids doll named Chucky.

INSPIRATION

Roth clearly grew up on these films and aspires to match their dubious pedigree. His characters are young, sexy and oftentimes boneheaded. We get to see a couple of them naked, too, which makes it all the more horrifying when they're reduced to pus-covered monstrosities. Sound yucky? Trust me, it is.

But Roth has little use for Freddy Krueger's brand of wisecracking irony, instead choosing to aim for the bar set by the unrelenting 'feel bad' movies of the 1970s. *Cabin Fever* does have a sense of humor, but it's dark. Very dark. So dark that many people are probably going to miss it entirely and accuse *Cabin Fever* of being senselessly gory and nihilistic.

Something tells me Roth would consider that reaction a personal victory. As horror mavericks George Romero, Wes Craven and

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Consider the spider. It has eight legs, spins webs and occasionally eats people in the most ghastly manner. Now, don't go grabbing your broom to defend yourself. Those little guys living under the porch pose no threat. It's the fellows in the movies that are out to get you. In the past few years, there has

been a positive explosion of spider movies. We've had *Arachnia*, *Arachnid*, *Spiders*, *Spiders II*, *Creepy Crawlers*, and a few years ago, John Goodman used his prodigious form to battle the beasts in *Arachnophobia*. There's something eminently filmable about spiders. This was recognized years ago in such 1950s classics as *The Spider* and

Tarantula, which featured Clint Eastwood in one of his earliest and least memorable roles.

Most of the early spider movies relied on tarantulas, which are pretty easygoing sorts that work well on film. But with the advent of computer-generated effects, spiders have taken on much more creepy forms. You know, the big-bloated body guys

with the shiny skin (or what passes for skin on a spider), and nasty fangs. But as far as I'm concerned the best spider movie ever made relied not on a computer, but a Volkswagen. *The Giant Spider Invasion* is a delightful mess of incompetence and goofiness presided over by no less

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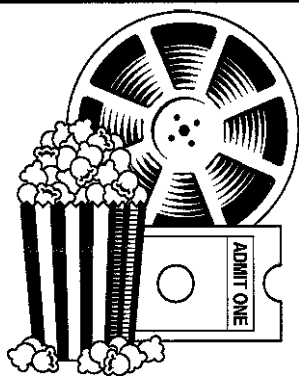
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Detroit Puppet Theatre grand opening of sixth season. Season opens with Turtle Island, 2 p.m., every Saturday. \$5 children, \$7 adults. (313) 961-7777

Fiddler on the Roof

Main Stage Theatre Guild presents Fiddler on the Roof at the Livonia Mall, Sept. 18-20 at 8 p.m., Sept. 14 and 21 at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$8 adults and \$6 for students/seniors. Call (586) 344-7774

Youth Orchestra auditions

Celebration Strings Youth Orchestra will hold auditions for the 2003-04 season from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 20 at Evola Music (7170 Haggerty, Canton). Placement in the first phase of this three-tiered program is open to young musicians, ages 9-14 in middle school and early high school. Students should prepare a one- or two-octave scale in any key and a piece of their choice. Call (734) 451-2112 to schedule an appointment.

Nature Photography

Kids Nature Photography, a beginning class for kids 10-15 years old, will begin at 1 p.m. Sept. 28 at the Nature Center of Metro Beach Metropark near Mt. Clemens. Beginning photography lessons and tips for taking better pictures will be offered. \$2 per child. Pre-registration required. Participants must bring their own camera loaded with film. Call (586) 463-4332.

THEATER

Performance Network

The Performance Network of Ann Arbor (120 E. Huron) offers their 2003-04 line-up, including *The Sins of Sor Juana* (Sept. 4-Oct. 5), *Tongue of a Bird* (Oct. 16-Nov. 9), *The Home Team* (Nov. 20-Dec. 28), *Fireside Festival* (Jan. 15-18), *Kimberly Akimbo* (Jan. 29-Feb. 29), 2004 *Angel of the Arts Awards* (Feb. 27), *Sp. ke Heels* (March 11-April 11) and *The Threepenny*

Opera (April 22-May 30). For ticket pricing and information, call (734) 663-0681 or visit performancenetwork.org online.

Mosaic Youth Theatre

On Oct. 24, the Mosaic Youth Theatre will perform on the Plymouth Community Arts Council stage (774 N. Sheldon Road) at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25. Call (734) 416-4278.

Mark Twain

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).

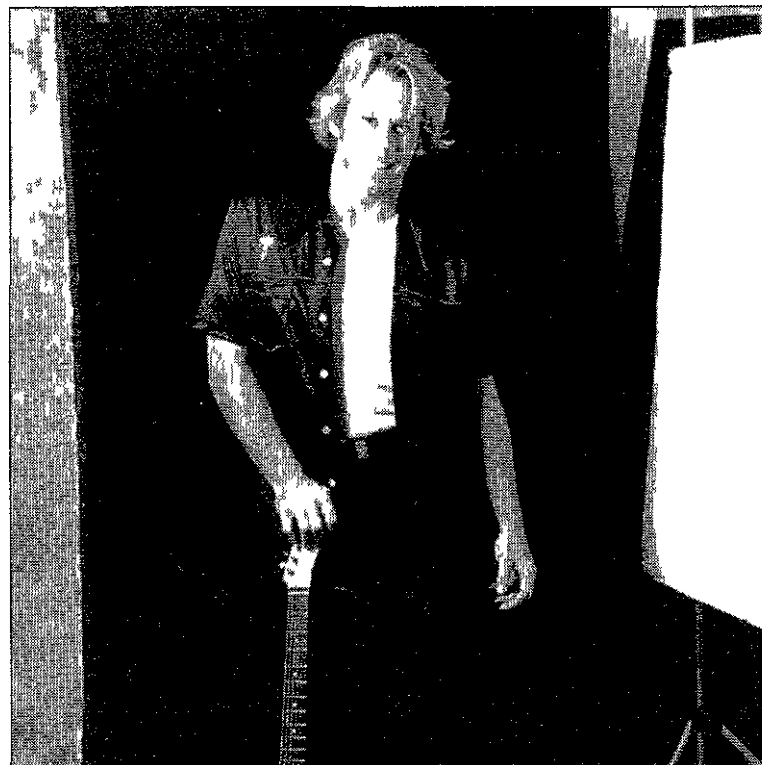
Players Guild of Dearborn

The PGD announces its 76th season. *Heaven Can Wait* runs Sept. 19, 21, 26, 28. Sept. 21 and 28 are Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. All other performances begin at 8 p.m. *Chicago* runs Nov. 7, 8, 14, 16, 21,

23, 29, 30, Nov. 16, 23 and 20 begin at 2 p.m. Others at 8 p.m. *Funny Money* runs Jan. 9, 10, 16, 18, 23, 25, Jan. 18 and 25, 2:30 p.m. others 8 p.m. *Marvin's Room* runs March 5, 6, 12, 14, 20, 21, March 14 and 21, 2:30 p.m. others 8 p.m. *On The Town* runs April 30, May 1, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, May 9, 16 and 23 at 2:30 p.m. others at 8 p.m. Call (313) 581-TKTS for tickets or visit www.playersguildofdearborn.org

The Detroit Ensemble Theatre

Come see the opening of the area's brand-new theatre. The Detroit Ensemble Theatre will offer a season of different, moving and unique plays on Detroit's east side. The inaugural production is *Danny and the Deep Blue Sea*, a romantic drama from the Oscar-winning writer of *Moonstruck*. John Patrick Shanley at 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday. Additional show dates are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 19 and 20, and Sept. 26 and 27, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21 and 28. Tickets are \$12. Call (586) 790-5666 for more information or to order



Stewart Francke will perform 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at Trinity House Theatre, 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia. Comedian Bill Thomas opens the show. Tickets \$10. Call (734) 464-6302.



The Paul Keller Orchestra performs 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 22 and 29, with Susan Chastain at the Firefly Club, 207 S. Ashley, (1 block west of Main St. between Liberty and Washington), Ann Arbor. Cover \$5. (734) 665-9090, www.fireflyclub.com

tickets. The Detroit Ensemble Theatre is located at 25213A Gratiot Road, just north of 10 Mile Road, in Roseville.

Fisher Theatre

Kiss Me Kate through Sept. 21, curtain 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit. \$32-\$59.50. (248) 645-6666. (313) 872-1000 or www.nederlanderdetroit.com

EMPATHEATRE

EMPATHEATRE begins its 10th season performing in Ann Arbor at Kerrytown Concert House. This month's topic: *Celebration!* Join us Sept. 19 at 8 p.m. at the Kerrytown Concert House (415 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor). Tickets: \$12 (first 4 rows \$15, seniors & students \$10). Information and reservations: (734) 913-9733 or visit Web site: www.empatheatre.org

THEATER AUDITIONS

Music Man

Auditions will be held for *Music Man* at Henry Ford Community College (Fine Arts and Fitness) Sept. 30 and Oct. 2, from 3-6 p.m., and will include acting, vocal music and dance. The two semester project holds dance and music rehearsals fall semester on T/Th from 3-4-6-15 p.m. Winter semester show rehearsals are T/Th 7-10 p.m. Performances are Fridays through Sundays, April 16-May 2. Call (313) 845-9817.

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.

Youth Theatre, Farmington Hills

Annie open auditions, grades 1-12, 6-10 p.m., Monday, Sept. 29, Costick Center, Sharon Hall, 28600 W. 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, show dates: Friday-Sunday, Nov. 21-23, \$115 registration fee. (248) 473-1800.

Annie

Try out in the junior or version of the musical.

cal *Annie*. Open auditions, 6-10 p.m., Sept. 29, at the Costick Center, Shannon Hall, in Farmington Hills. Show dates are: Friday-Sunday, Nov. 21-23. Children cast in the performance will need to pay a registration fee of \$115 (includes costumes).

ART CLASSES

PCCA Art classes

Let your creative spirit flourish with classes offered at Paint Creek Center for the Arts, including Drawing, Painting, Clay Wheel and Hand Building, Black/White Photography, Watercolor and Life Drawing. Classes run Sept. 15-Nov. 22. Call (248) 651-4110 or visit www.pccart.org

DANCE

Ballroom Dancing

Moonusters will host ballroom dancing to live bands featuring popular swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha and other Latin every Saturday from 8:30-11:30 p.m., \$6. Dressy attire. Singles and married. Meet at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road and Five Mile, Livonia. Call Joe (248) 968-5197.

Scottish Country

Scottish Country Dancing lessons begin their season Thursdays in Sept. at 7 p.m. at Madison Heights United Methodist Church. \$4. First night free. No partner required. Call (248) 637-2824 from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

Michigan Classic Ballet Company

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

Beginners Square Dance Class

Learn to square dance! No experience or partner necessary. Every Monday from 7

9 p.m. at the VFW Hall on 9 Mile Rd. just west of Telegraph Road in Southfield. Classes begin Sept. 22-29 or October 6. Come to one of these classes to sign up. Classes run Sept-May. Your first class will be free. \$3 per session thereafter. Call for more information (313) 531-3027 or (248) 476-7253 or visit <http://squaredancemichigan.tripod.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

Dance concerts

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble announces its four concert 2003-04 metro Detroit subscription season. The first concert, *On the Move*, will begin at 8 p.m. Nov. 1 at Varner Recital Hall on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. A concert prelude including a conversation with the artistic directors and performance by the dancers from the EDE Center for Dance will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$8 for students. Call (248) 370-3013 for information about the remainder of the subscription season concerts.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Second City Celebration

After 10 successful years, The Second City Detroit will celebrate a decade of entertaining with a weekend of events and activities starting with an 8 p.m. Sept. 18 official opening night of Detroit's 25th revue, *Ten*—a retrospective collection of some of the best and funniest political, social and cultural material of the last decade. The celebration continues at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 19, with a special performance of *Ten* at Gilda's Club to benefit the charity. Festivities come to a culmination Sept. 20 with an evening of commemorative events. An alumni panel discussion, 5:30 p.m. (free and open to the public), a performance of *Ten* at 7:30 p.m. and a special Alumni Improv Set at 10 p.m. For ticket pricing and information for each event, call (248) 645-6666 or online at www.ticketmaster.com. For other information, call (313) 965-2222.

Scarab Club

New Friday, Sept. 19, from 7-9 p.m. Professor Michael Farrell lecturing on architecture by Gary Nelchers. In the Lounge Gallery, \$15 per person. Sept. 26, from 9-11 p.m. Post-DIA Friday Film Wrap Film discussion, \$5 per person, includes light refreshments, coffee. Oct. 1-26, in the Main Gallery, Pewabic Pottery Invitational Exhibit. Alice Allhoff Exhibit opening reception is 7-9 p.m. Oct. 3, call (313) 831-1250 or visit www.scarabclub.org. Located directly behind the Detroit Institute of Arts, 217 Farnsworth, Detroit.

Hungarian band

Detroit's own Csipke Hungarian Dance Ensemble is proud to host Duvo, a folk



Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band are performing at Comerica Park 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21. There are still a few tickets priced at \$58 and \$78 left. Call Ticketmaster (248) 645-6666.

music band from Hungary performing at The Hungarian American Cultural Center in Taylor 7 p.m. Sept. 19. Tickets are \$18 per person and are available at the door or through reservations. Call (734) 675-0863 or visit the Hungarian Center at 26257 Goddard Road, Taylor.

Cosmic Origins

Five distinguished astronomers will lead a series of lectures sponsored by the UM Department and Astronomy, the University of Michigan Exhibit Museum of Natural History and the UM Student Astronomical Society. The series will cover the origins of the universe, galaxies, stars, planets, etc. at 7:30 p.m. in Auditorium D, Angell Hall, 435 South State Street, Ann Arbor, Sept. 19. Professor Rocky Kolb, *The Quantum and the Cosmos*, Oct. 3; physics professor August Gus Evrard, *The Birth of Galaxies*, Oct. 17; Professor Alyssa Goodman, *A Recipe for Making Stars and Planets*, Oct. 24; Professor Geoffrey Marcy, *Extrasolar Planets and Prospects for Life*, and Nov. 7, professor Fred Adams, *Future of Life Universe and Everything*. Call (734) 764-0478 or visit www.exhibits.lsa.umich.edu.

Wayne State events

Wayne State University's Dept. of Music will host an Invitation Chorale Festival with Joseph Jennings, director of Chanticleer (10:30 a.m. Oct. 11). Organ master class with Notre Dame's Olivier Latry at 4 p.m. Oct. 30 and the 37th Annual Salute Concert to Downtown Detroit, noon Nov. 25. Call (313) 577-1795 for details.

St. Raymond's Festival

For the first time at Freedom Hill, St. Raymond Catholic Church in Detroit invites you to join them at their \$25 annual festival. Enjoy food and refreshments, bingo, Vegas games, rides for small children and entertainment, 6-11 p.m. Sept. 19, noon to 11 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 20-21. Free admission. Parking, \$6.

WSU opening

Community Interactions will debut with an opening reception, 5-8 p.m. Sept. 26 at Wayne State University. The exhibit will run from Sept. 26-Nov. 21, featuring artists Dawoud Bey, Brett Cook, Dizney

Wendy Ewald, Tyree Guyton and Franco Mondin, Ruiz The Elaine L. Jacob Gallery, located at 480 W. Hancock, Detroit (Wayne State University). Call (313) 577-2423 or visit www.art.wayne.edu.

Troy Museum events

The Troy Museum will feature two unique lecture opportunities in November. First, anyone is eligible to sign up for a trip to see the Detroit Thanksgiving Day Parade Studio on Nov. 8. The fee for this trip (not included in the general fee) is \$17 for adults, \$13 for students. On Nov. 15, as part of the regular lecture series, author Mike Davis will talk about the excursion boats that plied the Detroit River. The museum is located at 60 West Wattles Road, Troy. Call (248) 524-3570.

AIA House Tours

This year's American Institute of Architects Detroit house tour gives participants a guided tour of some of the area's most spectacular residential architecture as the chapter hosts the 2003 AIA Detroit Birmingham/Bloomfield House Tour on Sunday, Sept. 28, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. From historically preserved gems to state-of-the-art contemporary homes featured on this year's tour include one designed by an architect for his own family, a renovated early 20th-century home combining both traditional and modern elements, an award-winning contemporary urban townhouse set in a traditional neighborhood and a 102-year-old home restored to its original architectural splendor.

Greenmead fall events

Greenmead Historical Park has a schedule of 2003 fall events starting with a Fall Harvest Festival, noon to 4 p.m. Sept. 20 (nominal fee for activities). Greenmead's Country Market, Thursdays through Oct. 16, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mother Goose at Greenmead, Halloween Walk, 10 a.m. to noon, Oct. 25 (\$6 per child). Sunday Tours at Historic Greenmead now through Oct. 26 and Dec. 7, 14 and 21. No tours on holiday weekends. For more information, call (248) 477-7375. Greenmead is located at 20501 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

MUSIC

Pavarotti in Concert

Tickets are now on sale for a Sunday, Sept. 21, concert of Luciano Pavarotti at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$177.50, \$92.50 and \$47.50 reserved. Special packages including MOT Opera Ball and premier seating available at the Palace. Call (313) 237-3425.

Dearborn Symphony

The Dearborn Symphony Orchestra begins their 42nd season with Shostakovich, Tchaikovsky and more. 8 p.m. Oct. 3. Musical Friendships, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. Eastern European Connection, 8 p.m. Jan. 30, 2004. From Vienna to Paris to Broadway, Classic Pops, 8 p.m. Feb. 28, 2004. Romantic Excursions and a Little Jazz, March 26 at 8 p.m. and 8 p.m. May 7. Majestic Mahler. To buy tickets, call (313) 565-2424 or visit www.dearbornsymphony.org.

Nightnotes season opener

Works of Gershwin, Copland, Rowe and Coltrane will open Detroit Chamber Winds & Strings' Nightnotes series in a performance entitled *Jazz on the Fringe*, The 8:30 p.m. Oct. 3 concert will feature DSO trumpeter William Lucas with pianist Ellen Rowe, bassist Paul Keller and percussionist Pete Siers. The 8:30 p.m. performance is preceded by an hors d'oeuvres reception at 8 p.m. in the cozy, intimate ambiance of Hagopian World Rugs of Birmingham (850 W. Old Woodward). Tickets are \$19 (\$10 for children 12 and under). This is the first in the services of five Nightnotes concerts held at the Birmingham store. Call (248) 558-2095.

Chamber music

There are a limited number of single concert tickets for the 2003-04 Chamber Music Society of Detroit season available. Concerts include Kalichstein Laredo Robinson Trio with Jennifer Koh, 7 p.m. Sept. 20, Oct. 11, Richard Goode on piano, Nov. 15, Juilliard String Quartet, Dec. 13, Emanuel Ax on piano, Jan. 10, 2004, Bergen Woodwind Quintet with Orli Shaham on piano. Tickets may be purchased by calling the CMS of Detroit (248) 855-6070.

Upcoming at Kerrytown

The Kerrytown Concert House presents

The Museum of Life and Death, an Andy Kirshner project, Sept. 25-26, 8 p.m. Assigned rows, 1-2, \$15; assigned rows, 3-5, \$10 general. EdgeFest will be held Oct. 2-4, sponsored by Pfizer. See Web site for the schedule and ticket information: www.kerrytown.com/concerthouse. KCH is located at 415 North Fourth Avenue, Ann Arbor. Call (734) 769-2999.

Ann Arbor Symphony

Hear Katherine Larson with the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra at 8 p.m. Sept. 20 in the Michigan Theatre for the Symphony's opener to its 75th anniversary season. Join Maestro Arie Lipsky for a pre-concert lecture at 7 p.m. Beethoven 7 begins at 8 p.m. Tickets range from \$19 to \$36 and are available by calling (734) 994-4801.

POPULAR MUSIC

Trinity House

Claire Holley will perform a concert on the intimate Trinity House Stage, 8 p.m. Sept. 24. Tickets are \$10-\$7 for theatre members. Sept. 26, Matt Watroba, Sept. 27, Hoe, Toe, Mitty w/Dell and the Roughcuts, Oct. 3, John Austin w/Scott Greenberg, Oct. 4, Clive Gregson w/Ralston Bowles, Oct. 11, Alastair Moock w/The Children's Hour, Nov. 22, Monk, Tangerine Trousers, Nov. 28, and Miranda Stone, Nov. 29. (Please note: Stewart Francke has cancelled his Sept. 20 appearance. Tickets can be reserved by calling (734) 464-6302 or 38840 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia.)

In Concert

REM wsg Sparklehorse (rock) at 8 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at the Palace. Tickets are \$59.50 and \$39.50.

Dixieland Band

The new season at Shield's Pizza will feature Chuck Moss, Paint Creek Dixieland Band, 1st and 3rd Saturday, from 2-5 p.m., monthly, beginning in Sept. Cover \$8. Full menu. Call (248) 476-2674. Shield's Pizza, 25101 Telegraph, northwest corner of 10 Mile.

Music Revisited

Sight/Sonic, the art of music revisited at Detroit contemporary's 5-year anniversary to be celebrated with an opening reception, Sept. 13, from 6-10 p.m. Show runs Sept. 13 to Oct. 26, 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd., Detroit. Visit www.detroitcontemporary.com or call (313) 898-04ART.

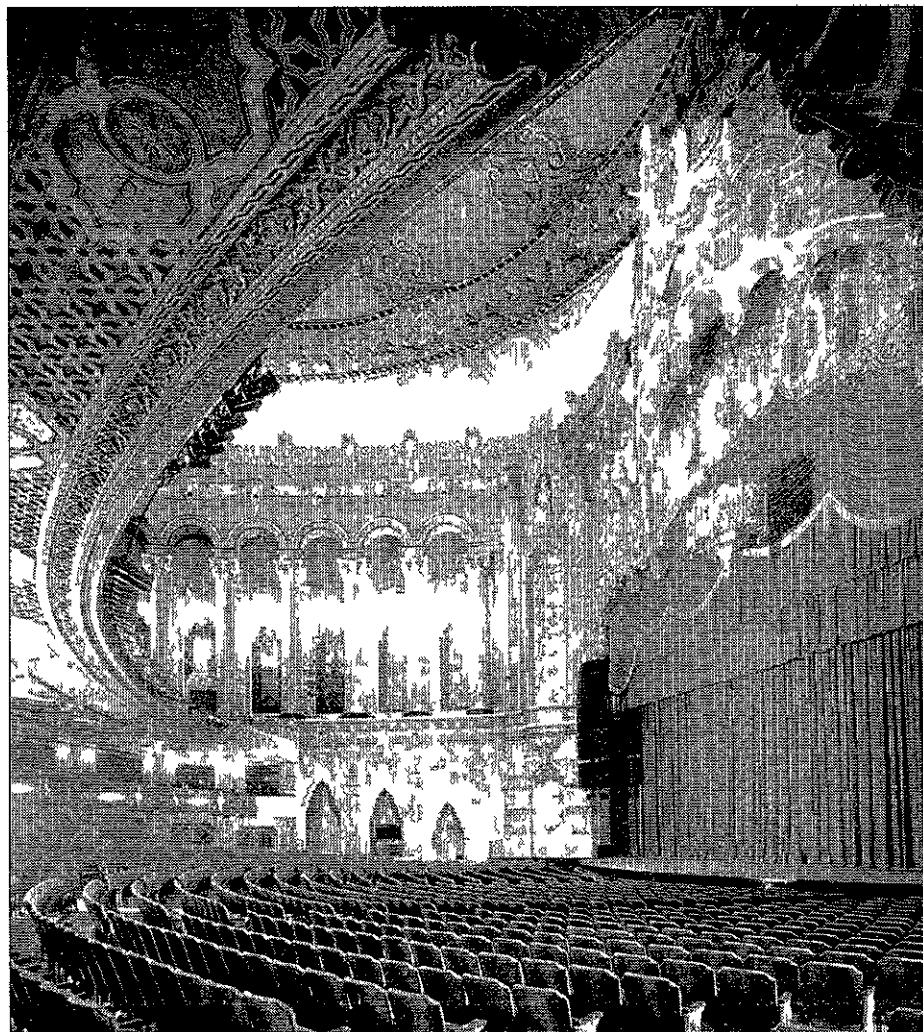
Firefly Club

The Firefly Club will host the Paul Keller Ensemble, a three-horn jazz sextet, from 8 p.m. to midnight, Sept. 24. Latin night with Los Gatos, 8-11:30 p.m., with Mexican buffet. Easy Street with Dixieland and Jazz favorites, 5-30, 8 p.m. Call (734) 665-9090. The Firefly Club is located at 207 S. Ashley, Ann Arbor, or visit www.fireflyclub.com.

JAZZ/BLUES

Ron's Fireside Inn

Barbara Ware vocals, Sept. 24, 28, 937 Warren, Garden City, \$5 cover with dinner, \$10 cover without dinner and two drink minimum, reservations recommended. (734) 762-7756.



It cost \$12 million to build The Fox Theatre in 1928. It was renovated in 1987 and ironically cost an additional \$12 million.

On stage

The Fox Theatre celebrates 70 years

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

It's a diamond anniversary for one of Detroit's most brilliant jewels. The Fox Theatre turns 75 on Sept. 21.

With age brings success and this year, the Fox beat out New York's Radio City Music Hall as the best theater in North America by Pollstar magazine.

Not bad for a theatre that in the 1980s was literally falling apart. The theatre also sold more tickets in 2002 than any in the U.S. with 642,162 tickets sold.

"We are so proud to have earned this wonderful distinction which comes at a perfect time," said Denise Illitch, president of Illitch Holdings. "Detroiters have been so supportive since the theatre's glorious restoration."

The Fox is at 2211 Woodward Avenue in downtown Detroit.

To celebrate its birthday, Olympia Entertainment is seeking interesting Fox Theatre Stories. Winners get free tickets to The Radio City Christmas Spectacular.

There's many stories to be told about the Fox.

The theatre was the prime example of the possibilities of the North Woodward area," said Fox Theatre General Manager Greg Bellamy. "We learned it was possible to turn a dusty jewel into one of the most dazzling in the city — and since then so much has followed. Comerica Park, the restaurants.

The schedule at the Fox is always exciting and diverse, autumn's lineup is proof.

On Sept. 20 is Eddie Griffin with special guest David Tyree. Rewind back in time with Chuck Berry and Jerry Lee Lewis Sept. 27, and on Sept. 30, the *Sound of the Music* begins its run there.

Since it was remodeled in 1987, lauding comments from celebrities who've performed there have been universal.

Bob Hope performed before and after the renovation," Bellamy said. "And when he returned he told me it was even better than he remembered."

The Fox is the nation's largest surviving motion picture palace from the grand '20s era. The elaborate Asian motif with hints of Persian, Hindu and Chinese architecture was a way to attract the public to the movies when it was built in the 1920s.

Movies were a new sort of entertainment, they weren't mainstream yet," Bellamy said. "And the Fox was built as a grand showcase for Fox movies."

The first film there was a silent one called *Street Angel* featuring Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell. Since then big names have performed in the theatre that originated as a

Share your tales about the Fox Theatre

Perhaps you're a patron who saw some of the first "talkies" or classic films that ever played at the Fox. Maybe you proposed to your sweet heart during the Golden era of the Glenn Miller Orchestra Band.

Did you celebrate an anniversary while Frank Sinatra or Elvis crooned from the stage? The best stories will be posted on Olympia Entertainment's Web site. Winners get two tickets to a sneak performance of The Radio City Christmas Spectacular Nov. 25 or 26.

Send only items that you do not need returned. To share your stories, as well as photos, documents — any unreturnable Fox memorabilia — write Fox Theatre 75, Olympia Entertainment 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201 or e-mail fox75@olyent.com. For details visit www.olympiaentertainment.com.

movie palace.

A few events over the years.

Movies like *Days of Thunder* and *Jungle 2 Jungle* premiered there.

Frank Sinatra, Liza Minelli and Sammy Davis Jr. filmed a television special there.

Some of the entertainment has included *Phantom of the Opera*, *Cats*, Cher, Stevie Wonder, Bruce Springsteen, Enrique Igelesias, Dora the Explorer, Gene Autry, Mikhail Baryshnikov, George Burns, Chuck Berry, John Denver, Whoopi Goldberg, Lenny Kravitz, Jerry Lee Lewis, Robert Plant, Elvis, Lou Reed, Sade, Glen Miller and his orchestra, Duke Ellington, Louis Prima and his orchestra, Abbott and Costello, Alice Cooper, Love and Rockets, Run DMC, Wayne Newton, and the *Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

Some fun Fox facts:

- 550 gallons of paint were used during its restoration.

- More than one million gallons of soap and water were used to clean every inch.

- 20 tons of dirt and debris were removed from the decorative walls and ceiling and heating and cooling ducts.

- 7,000 yards of colorful elephant-patterned carpeting were woven to match the original.

- 100,000 pieces of stained glass were repaired and cleaned.

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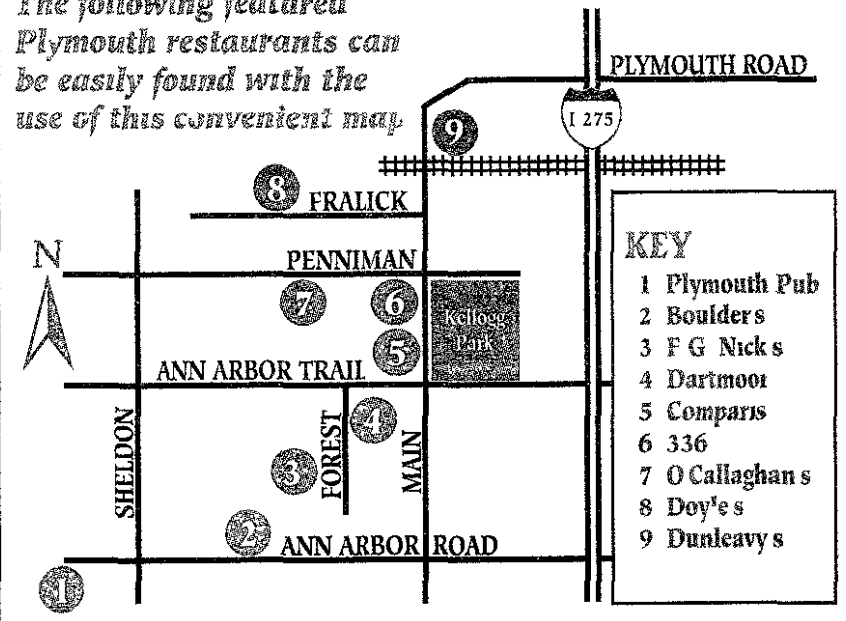
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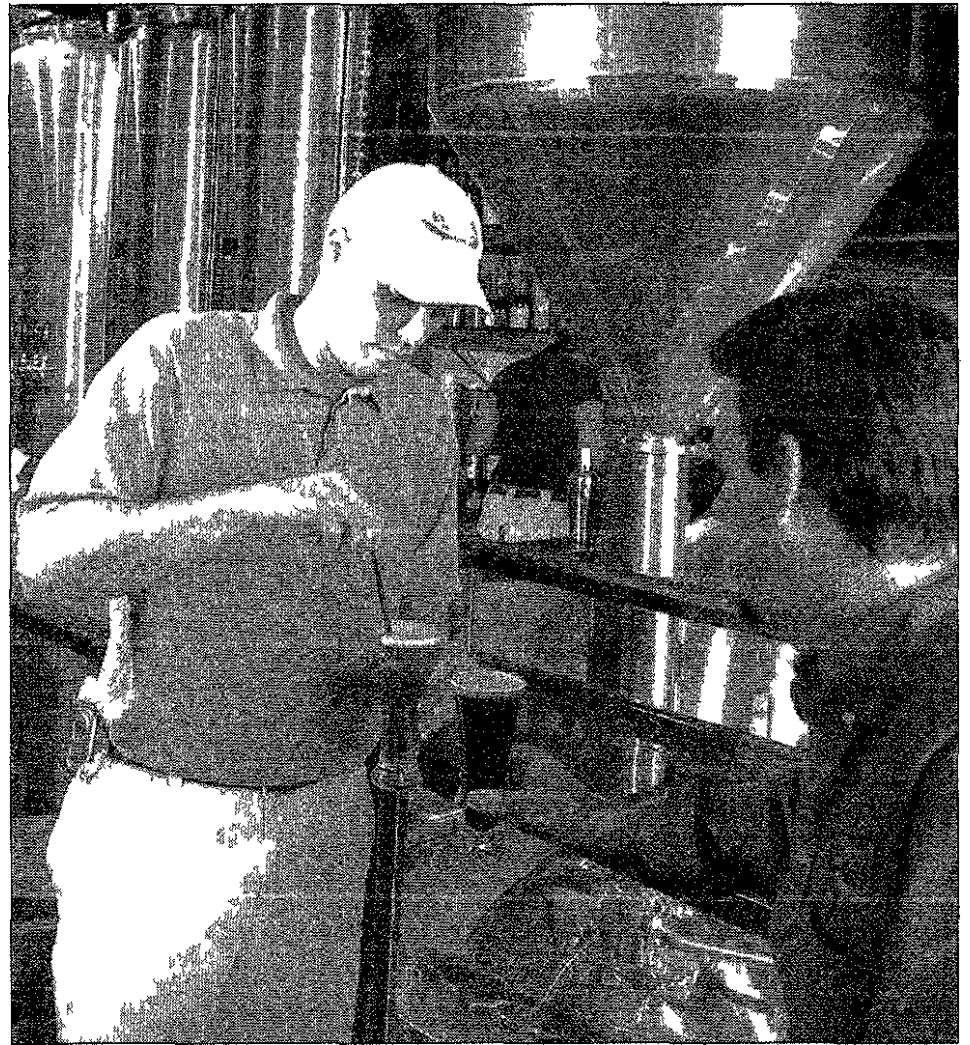
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Cover story



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Mike Plesz (left) and Drew Ciora test some freshly brewed beer at The Brewery On Broadway in Detroit

Brewmasters

Restaurateurs make move to Motor City

BY CHRISTINE WALDEN HUGHES
CORRESPONDENT

Don't let their boyish charm and youthful good looks fool you. These guys are very good businessmen and they know exactly what they're doing. They've known it since they began eight years ago, one shedding a suit and tie for a more relaxed career, the other vowing never to get into one.

Together, Mike Plesz of Oakland Township and Drew Ciora of Lake Orion have found a formula for success. It lies in the sacks of hops and body of knowledge gathered from years of working, first for others and finally for themselves, to

understand the beer business and make it their own. In three signature establishments, they court customers of all ages by delivering good food and fresh-brewed beer in a casual setting.

They were not that far beyond their teens when Plesz, then 23, and Ciora, then 25, went before Royal Oak City Council to get a permit to open the first brewpub in Royal Oak. That was in 1995 and the Royal Oak Brewery has been rocking ever since. They took a giant step three years later when they opened the Rochester Mills Beer Co. in the restored Western Knitting Mill in the heart of that downtown.

On Sept. 6, they opened their third (and because of Michigan law, their last) brewpub in what some might consider a risky new location — downtown Detroit.

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Table hopping

Making good food, beer

BY CHRISTINE WALDEN HUGHES
CORRESPONDENT

Though each restaurant is different, each is oddly similar with an ambiance derived from rich green color playing along gleaming stainless steel beer vats all against a background of warm wood and red brick.

The Royal Oak Brewery, the Rochester Mills Beer Co. and the brand new Detroit Beer Co. not only share similar decor, they share many menu items that are good old standbys and crowd-pleasing favorites.

Tops on that list is the unusual offering of Louisiana Jambalaya, a well spiced mix of andouille sausage, ham, chicken and shrimp, served in a tomato base over a bed of rice. According to Mike Plesz, co-owner, jambalaya has been the No. 1 selling item from the day it was introduced nearly eight years ago when Royal Oak first opened.

Back then, the Royal Oak Brewery also led the way in introducing what has become standard fare in most restaurants.

"We were the first to use mixed baby greens," said Plesz. "Now everybody uses them, so now we offer six or seven different salads to choose from."

The list includes the chopped salad that lives up to its name with a bowlful of finely diced cucumbers, tomatoes, mushrooms and bell peppers, to that oldie but goodie Michigan Cherry Salad — a delicious blend of dried cherries, bleu cheese, walnuts and of course, mixed baby greens all drenched in



The Detroit Beer Co. in Detroit is the newest venture from Rochester Mills Beer Co.

a balsamic vinegar dressing.

Plesz said the three restaurants make a concerted effort to do more than make a great burger (which we do have), but which is not the mainstay of the menu as it is in most beer and burger establishments.

The point is to offer good quality, eclectic food. Szechuan Pasta — fettuccine in a sharp Szechuan sauce — shares the menu with ricotta and spinach ravioli featuring fresh ravioli served in a creamy, mildly hot red pepper sauce, and that shares a menu with a



Rochester Mill Brewery brewmaster George Murphy checks out some brew.

Celebrate Oktoberfest

It will be a little bit of Germany in downtown Rochester Friday-Saturday, Sept. 26-27, when the Rochester Mill Beer Co. taps into tradition and brings its own form of Oktoberfest to its back lot on Water Street.

Two huge tents filled with the aroma of freshly poured beer, sauerkraut and brats, and the music of The Rhinelanders by day and Enzian at night are all part of the fourth-annual event.

According to Kristi Trevarrow, marketing manager for the Beer Co., more than 3,000 people are expected to visit over

er is key to breweries



JERRY ZOLYNSKY/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

AT A GLANCE

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On top of it all, they make beer too. Always available are five to seven different brews, with more on line. Old time Detroiters might particularly enjoy a trip to the newest beer company on Broadway in Detroit.

Not only are five ales freshly brewed, homage is paid to the once reigning beer champion of Detroit, Stroh. Utilizing the familiar gold and scarlet colors of Stroh, the Detroit Beer logo recognizes the popularity of that past brand as do the owners.

"We have a lot of respect for Stroh Brewery," said co-owner Drew Ciara, "Hopefully we can add a little history of our own."



Jambalaya with a stout and a pilsner is one of the offerings at the Detroit Beer Co.

are the owners of the Royal Oak Brewery and

knockout sandwich that must have an avocado and a quarter pound of turkey between the two slices of bread.

Desserts are even more deadly, and if the Chocolate Seduction cake doesn't satisfy the sweet tooth at the very least, the deep-fried Twinkies will make you smile. Never has 'junk' food been so well-presented with a tempura batter, a minute in the fryer and then drizzled with chocolate and berry sauces.

Entrees range from \$6.95 for a burger to

fest in Rochester

the two days of festivities that not only include the kind of entertainment adults like but provides something for kids as well.

Carnival type games and pony rides are some of what youngsters will like those 16 and younger and accompanied by an adult get in for free.

Adults pay \$5 admission to participate in this very Bavarian experience and the show by the Frankenmuth Schuhplatters, a crowd pleasing favorite.

For more info, check out Oktoberfest at www.rochestermillbeerco.com

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Table hopping

Migrate from ordinary with Canadian Mist

BY ELEANOR AND RAY HEALD
CORRESPONDENTS

What do wonderful golf, spectacular camping, great skiing on Blue Mountain and Canadian Mist have in common? Answer: Collingwood, Ontario, on Georgian Bay.

The folks in Collingwood who make Canadian Mist \$9.50/750mL cite several factors why the best-selling Canadian whisky in the U.S. comes across more mature, lighter and smoother in taste.

Light taste, they say, comes from Georgian Bay water and sourced from the nearby plains, corn converted to mash also enhances lightness, while malted barley adds delicacy.

Smoothness comes from triple distillation and aging in white oak barrels imparts a

smooth, vanilla flavor.

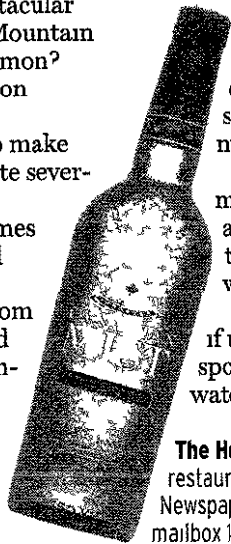
On the first Autumn evening, migrate from the ordinary and get warmed up by the fireside with a Mist Toddy.

You'll need 1.5 ounces

Canadian Mist, three cloves, a dash of honey, maple syrup or sugar and a lemon wheel for garnish.

Pour Canadian Mist into a cup or mug. Add honey, syrup or sugar and a lemon wheel studded with the three cloves. Fill cup with hot water and stir.

Note: To avoid potential cracking if using a glass mug, keep a metal spoon in the mug as you pour in hot water.



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City bites

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BIG BUCK BREWERY & STEAKHOUSE

Oktoberfest 3 p.m. to midnight, Friday-Saturday, Sept. 19-20 in three large tents in the parking lot 2550 Takata Dr., off Opdyke Road in Auburn Hills. Beer, traditional German fare including bratwurst, sauerbraten, soft pretzels, German potato salad and pickles on a stick. Live entertainment, games and raffles. Admission \$6, includes souvenir mug of beer. Cocktails and 14-ounce beers will be sold for \$3, as will many of the food items. Partial proceeds from the event benefit the Mental Illness Research Association. For more information, call (248) 276-2337.

ZOUP!

Fresh Soup Company, a gourmet soup restaurant and carry-out, is opening its sixth store in West Dearborn. Construction at the 2,000-square-foot space at 22815 Michigan Ave., east of Telegraph between Outer Drive

and Military, (313) 859-8888, is nearly completed, with opening scheduled for Sept. 15. The Dearborn store, which will have comfortable table seating and full carry-out service, will feature 12 rotating daily soups.

It also will offer made-to-order Good Greens' salads and Ciabatta sandwiches, which - like the soups - also can be ordered in large quantities for meetings and events. Visit zoup.com to order online, or for more information about Zoup! Metro Detroit area Zoup! locations include 29177 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, 2873 Maple Road, Troy, and 20065 Haggerty Road, Northville.

THE RATTLESNAKE

The Rattlesnake presents the Wine Maker Dinners with an hors d'oeuvres reception, dinner, wine tasting and more. Here's the schedule: Friday, Sept. 26, Chateau Ste. Michelle; Friday, Oct. 10, Beringer Estates; Wednesday, Oct. 22, Grinch Hills; and Friday, Nov. 7, Calera Wines.

The Rattlesnake is at 300 River Place, Detroit. Call (313) 567-4400 or visit www.opentable.com for reservations and information.

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Night spot

Howling Diablos, Sponge play Pumpstock

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Last weekend metro Detroit was packed with international music events, this weekend, it's all about Detroit.

The Fox Theatre celebrates its 75th anniversary. The Chamber Music Society of Detroit commemorates 60 years and Pumpstock is holding its fifth-annual Detroit rock festival.

The fifth-annual Pumpstock is Friday and Saturday, Sept. 19 and 20. The annual end of summer event, presented by the Town Pump Tavern, is in the parking lot at 100 West Montcalm, just behind the Fox Theatre. It's an event to showcase some of Detroit's finest music and this year includes Sponge, the Howling Diablos, South Normal, Aphonic, The Paybacks and the Fags (hey, it's English slang for cigarettes) and others.

More interesting, the event goes burlesque on Friday with flirty entertainment that tastefully teases.

"It's always one of the best shows of the year," said Howling Diablos frontman Tino Gross. "The weather is usually great and the crowd is very energetic. Some of

PUMPSTOCK

When 5 p.m. Friday Sept. 19, 6 p.m. Saturday Sept. 20

Where The parking lot behind Town Pump, 100 Montcalm and the Fox Theatre, Detroit

Tickets \$12, call (313) 961-1929

Lineup

■ **Friday** The Fags, The Paybacks, Ultimate Lovers, Aphonic

■ **Saturday** - Sponge, Howling Diablos, Supermodel-T, South Normal

Detroit's best bands have played this event. Sponge is one of the bands to watch.

Gross is deeply rooted in the Detroit music scene; he's guest rapped with Kid Rock on the LP *Early Morning Stoned Pimp*.

He also wrote the song *Aces & Eights*



The Howling Diablos (from left) are Johnny Evans, Garth Mosher, Mike Smith, Tino Gross and Mo Hollis.

for Uncle Kracker's platinum album *Double Wide*.

The Diablos are a funky blues rock band that has performed with Alice Cooper, Tom Petty, Creed, Megadeth and Incubus. Working as a singer, songwriter and producer is a full-time job for Gross.

Growing up, music was the only thing that really excited me. I knew that I had to be part of it."

Later this year the Howling Diablos will release its third album in 10 years.

This one was recorded live at St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit and will include Diablos hits like *Reefer Man*.

"People like us live," Gross said. "They prefer that energy."

Three years ago the band signed with Kid Rock's Top Dog label. Their music has been featured on compilation CDs with Paul McCartney, Sheryl Crow and Matchbox 20.

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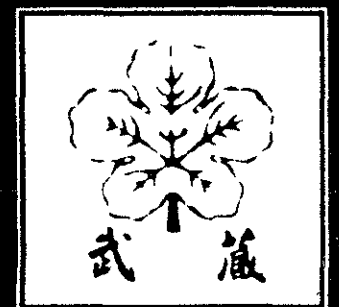
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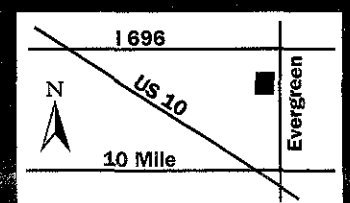
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Shower singers get to attend Pavarotti concert

The winners of the Singing in the Shower contest really have something to croon about thanks to their winning entries

The *Observer & Eccentric Filter* staff asked readers to submit the song they love to sing in the shower and the reason why

We received many entries and appreciate the participation but we could only give away six pairs. Congratulations!

The lucky victors who will see Luciano Pavarotti this Sunday at The Palace of Auburn Hills include

■ Pete Vannini of Rochester Hills
Pete wrote "I know I am dating myself, but for many years I've been singing *Some Enchanting Evening* which many of the older singers like Enzo Pinza and Mario Lanza and others made into big selling records. When you are young and in love, you think the words of a song were written just for you and your love."

We celebrated our 50th golden wedding anniversary last year on Oct. 4 those were our golden years back when we were dating and did not know it at the time. The melody and the words have stuck with me and I don't sound too bad in the shower but only in the shower."

■ Joe Hawrylak of Canton
Joe wrote "My favorite song to sing in the shower is *Golden Days*, from the Student Prince."

The song is very melodic, suits my voice, and the words are reminiscent of all of our youth, those golden days when we could do nothing wrong, when the world appeared to be perfect, when romance was in the air, when we loved and were loved and everything seemed perfect."

■ Stan Kovacheff of Plymouth
Stan wrote "The song I sing most often in the shower is *Old Man River*. It has such powerful lyrics and is one of the finest songs ever written for a bass soloist."

■ Deanna and Clark Butterfield of Oxford
The Butterfields wrote "I have always loved to sing and my favorite shower song is *Misty*. It's a song my husband and I adopted while we were dating."

It came up so often while we were in the car that we decided it was meant to be ours. Even after 38 years of marriage it's still my husband and my favorite song."

■ Joanne Guibord wrote "When the Red, Red Robin Comes Bob, Bob, Bobbin' Along is a fun song to sing in the shower. You can even do a few classy dance steps. Just be careful not to slip on the bar of soap."

■ Nancy Maxwell of Farmington
Nancy wrote "My father loved the piano and would come home to take lessons during his lunch breaks. When he got home from work in the evening, he would sit down and play while my mother was getting dinner and we were all doing homework."

He didn't always have the music but one of his favorite was *Those were the days, my friends, we thought they'd never end, we'd sing and dance forever and a day. We'd live the life we choose, we'd fight and never lose, those were the days. Oh yes those were the days.* It made for wonderful evenings and memories and that's why I like to sing it in the shower because it reminds me of my dad. My dad loves Pavarotti and I would love to give him tickets to see him."

DTE gives away free Meatloaf tickets

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Say goodbye to summer with a free show by Meatloaf at DTE Energy on Saturday, Sept. 27.

Pop rock vocalist Meatloaf will perform at 7:30 p.m. It's the last show of the summer season. It's free to anyone who has attended any DTE or Meadow Brook Music Theatre event this year.

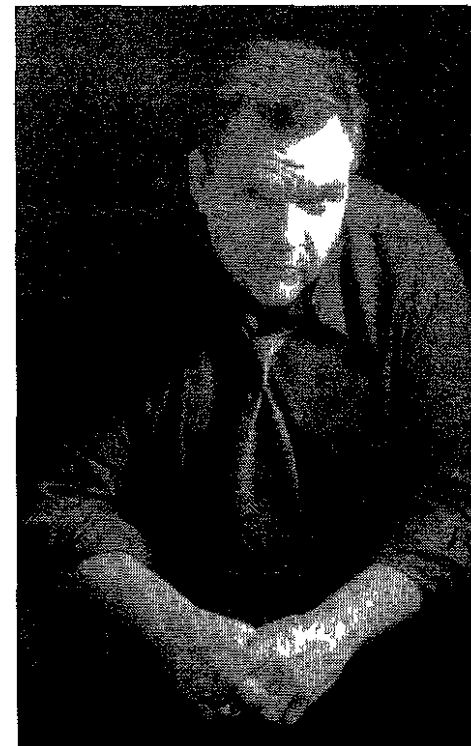
For those who haven't been to a show this year, tickets are \$35.50 pavilion and \$18.50 lawn. Bring a scanned ticket or ticket stub from any previous 2003 show in exchange for a free lawn ticket.

The exchange for the 'tasty' Meatloaf deal can occur in advance at the DTE Energy Music Theatre and The Palace Box Offices or at the gate the night of the show, while supplies last. A \$3 parking fee for each ticket will be charged at the time of the redemption. It is a one ticket for one ticket exchange.

"We really wanted to end the season by saying thanks to our guests for making this another banner summer in which we should remain the nation's busiest outdoor venue," said Tom Wilson, president and CEO of Palace Sports and Entertainment. "Meatloaf's music is timeless and it can appeal to all ages, so we felt his season finale would be a good show to make the offer."

Meatloaf, of course, is known for hit songs like *Paradise By the Dashboard Lights* and *Two Out of Three Ain't Bad*. His most successful album, *Bat Out of Hell*, was released in 1977 and was one of the top selling albums of the '80s.

Meatloaf's popularity soared over the years as he's been both a pop sensation and theatrical star. In the 1970s, he land-



Meatloaf will perform Saturday, Sept. 27.

ed a role in a West Coast production of *Hair* and his audience widened. Later, he appeared the cult film, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*.

Fallen Angel is his newest CD. DTE was voted "Best Outdoor Concert Venue" in Pollstar magazine's 2000 readers' poll. It also is the nation's most attended amphitheater, according to *Amusement Business* magazine.

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Metropolis and techno blend at museum

The Detroit Historical Museum celebrates Techno and blends it with film at the next Fourth Friday event 5-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26.

The event features the screening of the science fiction classic *Metropolis* with soundtrack provided by world renowned techno artist, DJ Jeff Mills. The Electro Soul fashion show follows with music by DJ Dusty Fingers.

Guided tours will be offered of the museum's *Techno: Detroit's Gift to the World* exhibit which showcases electron-

ic dance music that originated in Detroit. *Metropolis*, filmed in 1926 by German expressionist Fritz Lang, is called a silent masterpiece. It depicts 21st century anti-utopian worker's hell.

DJ Mills, aka The Wizard, created the soundtrack for this event to re-introduce *Metropolis'* ideology to today's cyber culture. The Detroit Historical Museum is at 5401 Woodward Ave. at the corner of Kirby in downtown Detroit.

Admission is \$6. Call (313) 833-1405 for advance tickets.

For one last shot at art outdoors, check out Art in the Park

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

An apt motto for this year's Art in the Park might be "Getting bigger, staying small."

That's because organizers have significantly, but strategically, beefed up offerings at the event, slated for Saturday, Sept. 20, and Sunday, Sept. 21, in downtown Birmingham's Shain Park.

This year, there are 200 artists showing their work and nine bands performing live, including a punk-inspired group called All Rights Reserved.

Sounds like art festival-gone-Lollapalooza?

"We will still have an intimate feeling," said Heidi Rehak Lovy, special events coordinator for Common Ground Sanctuary, which sponsors Art in the Park as a fund-raising event. "We don't want to be overwhelming. We're a nice intimate show where people can expect a selection of fine art."

In its 29th year, the annual event draws about 70,000 attendees.

The art component is juried and represents 17 mediums, including ceramics, blown glass, fiber art, jewelry, sculpture, painting, photography and printmaking. Many of the artists reside in Michigan.

"We had lots of interesting pieces this year," Rehak Lovy said, adding the quality of submitted work was so outstanding that the jury decided to expand the number of booths.

ON COMMON GROUND

What: 29th Art in the Park to benefit Common Ground Sanctuary

When: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21

Where: Shain Park, one block south of Maple and one block west of Woodward, downtown Birmingham

Tickets: Free for information call (248) 456-8150 or visit www.artinthepark.info/pages/957937/ on the Internet

ber of booths."

Show judges include Ferdinand Hampson, co-founder of Habatat Galleries in Birmingham and Royal Oak and Kenneth R. Gross, director of the Alfred Berkowitz Gallery at the University of Michigan-Dearborn and former executive director of the Birmingham Bloomfield Art Association.

Live music at this year's Art in the Park runs the gamut from jazz to Irish folk and goes up on two stages.

Art in the Park favorites, like the wildly popular silent auction and activities area

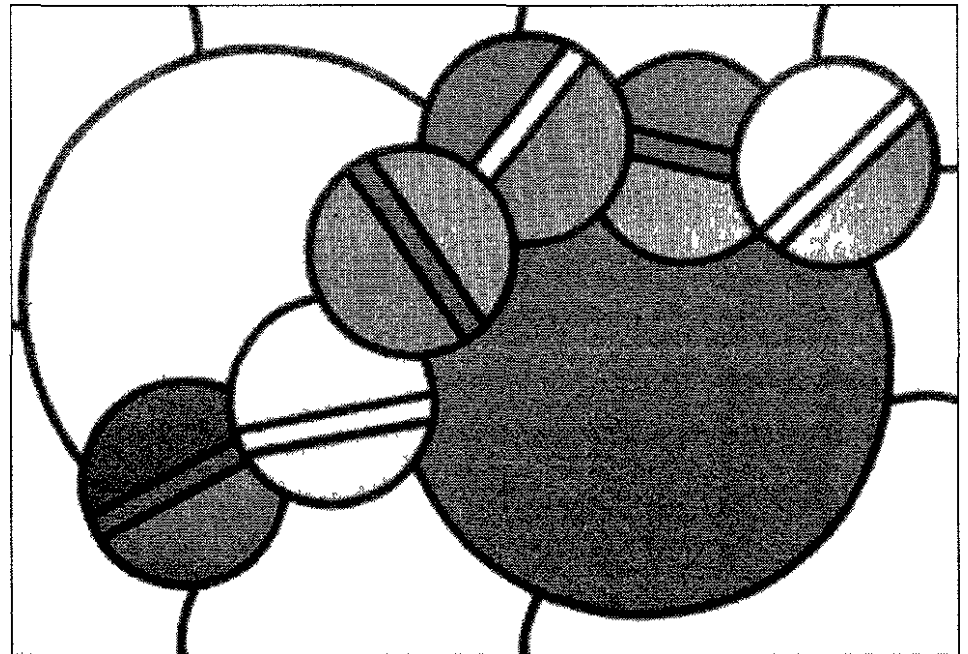


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A stained glass window by artist Ralph Parker of Colorado - just one example of the pieces available at Art in the Park - appears influenced by Roy Lichtenstein.

for kids, continue this year.

"There are several things that set us apart from other festivals," said Rehak Lovy. "I believe it's the very last outdoor arts festival of the season, but the main reason is it's the primary fund-raiser for Common Ground."

GALLERY RECEPTIONS

Roseann Hebel Brown

The Ann Arbor Art Center presents Roseann Hebel Brown Sept. through Oct. 3. Reception 6-8 p.m. Sept. 19 (117 West Liberty, Ann Arbor). Brown was a renowned local artist who passed away last year of breast cancer. Proceeds from the sale of her work will go to the Roseann Hebel Brown Fund to train and inspire children in the visual arts.

All Media Show

The Orion Art Center is hosting an All Media Show Sept. 18-Oct. 16 at the Orion Art Center (115 S. Anderson) in downtown Lake Orion. Offering over \$750 in cash prizes, the show is open to all artists in all art mediums. Call (248) 693-4986.

Cary Gallery

New Paintings: Oil and Watercolor by Mignonette Yin Cheng, Sept. 13-Oct. 11; Changing Arenas by Vince Castagnacci, Nov. 1-29; Lola Sonnenschein's Recent Work, Dec. 13-Jan. 3, 2004; and Landforms by Janet Reger, March 13-April 10, 2004. The Cary Gallery is located at 226 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. Call (248) 651-3656.

Jun Kaneko exhibit

Start Sept. 12 through Nov. 1. Pewabic Pottery will be hosting an exhibition featuring ceramic artist Jun Kaneko. Opening reception on Sept. 12 from 6-8 p.m.

Regular exhibit hours: M-Sat 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Call (313) 822-0954. Pewabic Pottery can be found at 10125 E. Jefferson Ave. in Detroit.

Design Exhibition

The Michigan Surface Design Exhibition (members emphasize fabric patterning, dyeing, printing, painting, quilting, weaving and basketry). Ave. Maria Fine Art Gallery, Domino's Farms Lobby B, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor. September through Oct. 3. Reception 6-8 p.m. Sept. 11 (free). Gallery hours: Tue. through Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., free and open to the public.

Revolution Gallery

Revolution is pleased to open its 10th anniversary season with solo exhibitions by James Chatelain and Anne Wilson, Sept. through Oct. 11. The public is invited to a reception for both from 5-7 p.m. Sept. 13. Call (248) 541-3444 or visit

www.revolutn.com

Women Painters/Sculptors

The Detroit Society of Women Painters and Sculptors continue to celebrate 100 years of creativity with an exhibit "Exploring Eclecticism" at the Art Center in Mt. Clemens. Exhibit will close Oct. 17. Call (248) 375-1931.

Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center

Marilyn Spencer Retrospective (to honor and reflect her life and work in acrylic and watercolor). Show runs Sept. 8 through Oct. 3. Call (248) 644-0866 Ext. 104. The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center (1516 S. Cranbrook Road, just north of 14 Mile Rd.) Free and open to the public.

Meadow Brook Art Gallery

Sculptor Sharon Que, Sept. to Oct. 5, next to the Meadow Brook Theatre, 208 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester. Artist's talk 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 21. (248) 370-3005. www.oakland.edu/mbag

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BY ANDREA HUI
CORRESPONDENT

There is more than year-round Christmas at Olde World Canterbury Village. Families are discovering its fine dining, historical artifacts, specialty shops and fun special events.

And it is closer than you think.

Olde World Canterbury Village covers 21 acres, and in the late 1800s, it was home to several farms and their families. Throughout the decades, the land has changed hands a number of times. In 1991, Stan Aldridge and his family purchased the land and buildings and created what is known today as Olde World Canterbury Village.

Aldridge meticulously restored the farm and village buildings. In addition, he transported numerous artifacts from around the world including France, England and Germany. The artifacts can be found throughout the complex.

RENOVATED

The buildings are now home to numerous specialty shops. Some of the earliest structures on the property, built in 1870, are home of Canterbury Toy World, Flowers, Pots and Baskets and Canterbury Tales. The specialty items in the shops, along with the beauty of the buildings, make for an enjoyable and historical shopping trip.

There are 18 specialty shops throughout the village, each with its own charm and distinction.

Other shops include The Velvet Rose Tea Room, The Cannoli Bakery, The Leather Cottage and The Celtic Connection.

The largest store with over 90,000 square feet of Christmas galore is called Always Christmas. Children love the hundreds of feet of animated displays.

Aisles are wide to provide easy maneuvering of strollers. There are also 20 check-out registers, enabling smooth traffic flow.

And history is again found throughout the store. As you first enter Always Christmas, you are greeted by intricate antique doors imported from England.

As you stroll through the village, The Canterbury Clock Tower chimes on the half hour and adds to the ambiance of years gone by. It is decorated with Dickens Christmas characters and is a

IF YOU GO...

How to get to Olde World Canterbury Village Take I-75 to the Joslyn Road Exit, go north approximately three miles.

Open 361 days a year (closed Christmas, New Year's, Easter and Thanksgiving Day)

For more information Call (800) 442-XMAS or visit www.canterburyvillage.com

favorite for children.

Another children's favorite is an indoor reproduction of a 19th-century German carousel. The colors, details and music are magical. Children can ride the carousel for \$1.

YUMMY

If you get hungry from all the shopping, Castello di Bologna Restaurant (a Joe Bologna Restaurant) is a must. Prices range from \$7 to \$18. The décor is ornate and truly encompasses the old-world charm. Tapestries, stained-glass windows and armor, all transported from Europe, add to the ambiance.

Olde World Canterbury Village is also home to many special events throughout the year. From car shows to festivals, the weekends are jam-packed with a potpourri of fun.

For even more great shopping, check out the Canterbury Village Flea Market. The market is set up in the village the second Saturday of the month through October.

I think Olde World Canterbury Village is a great day escape to another world, said Margaret Swanzey, an employee at Olde World Canterbury Village. There are lots of interesting shops and fun for everyone. It is perfect for families.

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BREWERY

FROM PAGE E11

It doesn't matter to them, they don't think it's risky. In fact, they believe the all-new Detroit Beer Co. is just ahead of a groundswell of businesses that have recognized that Mike Ilitch knew what he was doing when he renovated the Fox and brought entertainment back downtown to Motown.

AHEAD OF THE GAME

For Plesz and Ciora, it means business — big business. They and their partner (in Detroit only) Rick Ghera, who first suggested Detroit as a location, already count the operation a success even though it involved a multimillion-dollar renovation (\$5.8 million in all) and a whole lot of nail biting to restore and make understatedly spectacular the circa 1903 Hartz Building at 1529 Broadway.

At that address, they are right across from the recently renovated Detroit Opera House, in view of Ford Field and Comerica Park, along the path of the People Mover and right in the heart of a district that is going to be the first downtown development authority project to improve the streetscape.

The Detroit Beer Co., restored by Frank Rewold and Son of Rochester, includes two floors of restaurants, three floors of rental space and a loft on top, and sits in the middle of a Detroit revival. "It's exciting," Ghera said. "It's watching something change and being a part of it. I think it will carry through."

So do Plesz and Ciora, who were ultimately sold because "Rick's belief to make the project successful is strong" and mounting evidence that Detroit was happening — "there were orange construction cones everywhere," Ciora said.

Indeed, as the Detroit Beer Co. opens for business, work is finally proceeding on the nearby Post Bar, a still-viable jewelry shop is right next door and just south is the new Small Plates, a restaurant. The YMCA is going to build a new facility a little further south, an old parking structure is scheduled to be torn down and rebuilt and the Madison Hotel is coming down, but the Milner is supposed to be restored.

Plesz excitedly points it all out from atop the roof of his newest project.

Back on the ground, his description of the facade is interrupted by three business women who enthusiastically ask, "Are you open now?" They are another part of what Detroit has — people and lots of them.

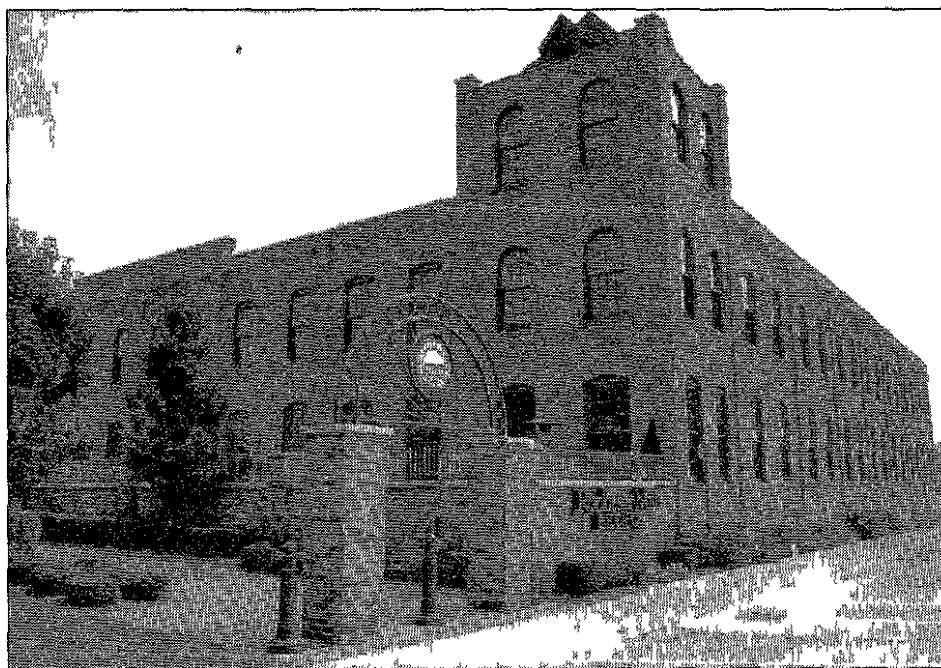
HOT SPOT

"On Sunday we packed it in all day," said Ciora, noting that the crowd transitioned from blue Lions football T-shirts in the afternoon to black Ts for that evening's Aerosmith concert. By Tuesday, things were hopping and Wednesday, the lunch crowd had already grown. All without a single bit of advertising, remarked Plesz.



JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Rochester Mill Brewery, bartender Kris Westley, serves Melonie Sokolowski and Bob May



The Rochester Mills Beer Co. is located on Water Street in downtown Rochester

noting that this week the company will try another new idea — a billboard on southbound I-75. "Never done that before," he said.

What the partners have done, however, is be successful at running restaurants and breweries. Ciora picked up his experience in California, where the prospect of wearing shorts and having fun began a passion for brewing beer. He brought it back to Michigan when he hooked up with Plesz, his brother-in-law, in their first venture together in Royal Oak. What began there repeated itself in 1998 in Rochester, when the duo made a quantum leap to open up a 20,000-square-foot facility. Size alone was an issue, Plesz said, noting "bigger isn't always better, but they found a niche in the area by offering

plenty of room — and good food and fresh beer — to large groups.

Along the way, the company grew from a few employees to nearly 200, many of whom have been with them from day one. Chefs are in place in each location, Brett Agan in Rochester, Basilio Vivanco in Royal Oak and Jim Munroe in Detroit. Also at each locale is a team of brewers who not only follow the guidelines, but adjust recipes according to the water — Detroit and Royal Oak are the best, Rochester's is slightly trickier because it is first softened.

Menus are similar from one location to the next, but are always enhanced by input from the owners. "We both cook and we both love to cook," said Plesz, so when ingredients or spices change, they know

MEET THE OWNERS

Drew Ciora 34, raised mostly in Texas. Bachelor's degree from University of Texas in Austin, MBA from California State University at Long Beach. Two boys 6 and 4 and married to Michelle.

Mike Plesz 32 grew up in Sterling Heights. Former member of the Rochester Downtown Development Authority and Downtown Promotions and Marketing Partners. Two daughters 5 and 4 and married to Melissa.

what it means to a dish and to the customer.

"They've also taken on and wear well the responsibility of running three businesses, caring for their employees, taking care of their own families and making a contribution to the communities they serve. They do that, they say, by remaining true to the original goal to have fun and by respecting a simple tenet.

"We stick with what we know how to do and we know how to make food and brew beer," Ciora said. Considering their track record, the question that begs to be answered is "What's next?" Five days after opening Detroit, the pair can hardly consider the future except to get to it.

"We are sort of at a point, if we get too much bigger," Ciora said, pausing. "Well, we like the casual and fun approach to business, so we are just grateful for whatever we have."

And yet

Chamber Music Society celebrates 60 years

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

The Chamber Music Society kicks off its 60th anniversary season Saturday with the Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio featuring violinist Jennifer Koh. A highlight is Yo-Yo Ma's performance on April 21.

This season's concerts are particularly interesting," said Chamber President Lois Beznos. "Yo-Yo Ma is of course the most popular ticket, but we look forward to introducing new musicians to the society."

And the chamber music crowd is indeed a society.

"We are a small, relatively informal group. Many of our subscribers have been members for years, but we are a very friendly community," Beznos said. "People learn about chamber music, often through word-of-mouth through friends, or they were raised with it. However it's discovered, we love to see interest from new generations."

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit strives to be progressive in its search to introduce new talent to its audience. It brought in Yo-Yo Ma years before his popularity surge. This year's schedule includes popular names, but also musicians who are up and coming.

The Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio and Koh will perform Mozart, piano trio in B-flat major, K 502, Ravel, piece en forme de Habenera for cello and piano, Moszkowski, suite for two violins and piano, Op 71, and Schumann, piano quartet in E-flat major, Op 47.

Violinist Koh has performed with leading American orchestras including Chicago, Detroit, Saint Louis and Minnesota.

She has also played with the BBC Wales, BBC Scottish, Helsinki Philharmonic, Polish Chamber Orchestra and the Moscow State Academy Symphony. Koh has earned many awards including Concert Artists Guild Competition.

Since making their debut as a trio at the White House for President Jimmy Carter's Inauguration in 1977, pianist Kalichstein, violinist Jaime Laredo and cellist Sharon Robinson have set the standard for piano trio performance for 25 seasons, Beznos said.

The trio was honored by the Chamber Music Society of Detroit with the creation of the Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson International Trio Award.

It will be awarded to a new ensemble, from anywhere across the globe, every two years.

The Chamber Music Society of Detroit, founded in 1944, has emerged as one of the most prestigious presenters of world class

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When: All performances begin at 8 p.m. unless noted.

Season schedule

- 7 p.m. Saturday Sept 20 - Kalichstein-Laredo-Robinson Trio with Jennifer Koh, violin
- Saturday Oct 11 - Richard Goode, piano
- Saturday, Nov 15 - Juilliard String Quartet
- Saturday, Dec 13 - Emanuel Ax, piano
- Saturday Jan 10 - Bergen Woodwind Quintet with Orli Shaham, piano
- Saturday, Feb 21 - Dmitri Hvorostovsky, Baritone
- Saturday March 13 - Pacifica Quartet, Cleveland Quartet Award Concert
- Saturday March 27 - Joshua Bell, Violin with Simon Mulligan, piano
- Wednesday April 21 - Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble
- Saturday May 15 - Shanghai Quartet with Arnold Steinhardt, Violin and Rieko Aizawa, piano

music in the nation

It's the 10th-oldest chamber group nationwide, Buffalo leads the list. The chamber managed to sustain through tough economic times and currently is thriving. Subscription seats are sold out, individual tickets are not.

"We have been very fortunate to have strong corporate and individual support," Beznos said.



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Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

Festival

File this under the best bet to see Detroit hipsters this week. **On the 7th Day** a local music festival will take place on Sunday at the Lager House. The Elevations, The Shanks, The Singles, Bill Parker and the Motherscratchers, The Drapes, The Avatars, The Gypsy Strings and a bunch of other bands with The in their name are slated to perform. Eric Stolsterner, Young Soul, Rebel Records, No Fun Records and others will be hawking their wares on the outdoor patio.

Doors open at 3 p.m. Cove is \$5 for the all day event. 21 and up. The Lager House is located at 1254 Michigan Ave. in Detroit. For more information, visit <http://www.lagerhousedetroit.com>



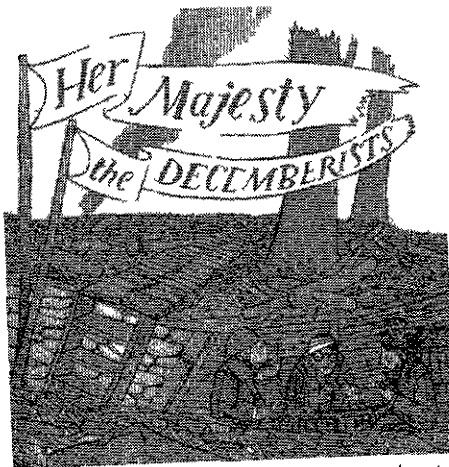
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The Decemberists

Album

The Decemberists are the best band you have never heard of. Hailing from Portland, Ore., the band creates an intricate, eccentric and beautiful landscape of innovative, broken music. Their second full-length album, *Her Majesty* (Kill Rock Stars), is out now.

Lead singer Colin Meloy's poetic and witty lyrics have drawn comparisons to Neutral Milk Hotel's Jeff Magnum.



On the acoustically sparse *Red Right Ankle*, he sings, "Some had crawled their way into your heart/ To rend your ventricles apart." The ability to create such immense images is carried throughout the album and heard especially on *I Was Meant for the Stage*, a song in which a plodding guitar strumming and organ slowly build up to a breakdown that leaves

the listener uneasy.

Los Angeles I'm Yours, with its more straightforward melodic structure (and a harmonica and string section to boot), is a safe starting point for those that find much of *Her Majesty* a bit inaccessible.

To listen to The Decemberists is to love them.

Available at local records stores.

For more information on The Decemberists, visit <http://www.decemberists.com>

Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy and Megan Pennefather. Is there something you want considered?

To submit information on local entertainment or other ideas to be featured in this space, e-mail her at stardy@ehomecomm.net

Local band

Local music heroes **The Deadstring Brothers** have recently brought their steal pedal-driven alt-country back to the ears of Detroit.

The band will play a CD release party for their debut self-titled album Friday at the Magic Bag. Fellow Detroiters The Waxwings and Whiskey Tenor also will play. Doors open at 9 p.m. Cost is \$7. The Magic Bag is located on Woodward Avenue just north of 9 Mile Road in Ferndale.

Film

So Audrey Tatou did a heck of a job playing the title character in *Amélie*, a frothy bit of cotton-candy wonderful. Now she's in a decidedly non-frothy bit of mysterious intrigue in *Dirty Pretty Things*, a drama directed by Stephen Frears (*Dangerous Liaisons*). When an immigrant working in a London hotel finds a human ear in one of the suites, somebody's got some splain to do. So he teams up with a fellow immigrant (Tatou) to discover the truth. It's playing at the Landmark Main Art Theatre located at 118 N. Main Street in downtown Royal Oak. Call (248)263-2111 for show times.

Gallery

Detroit Contemporary is busy celebrating its five-year anniversary of art, poetry and music with *Sight Sonic Revisited*, which runs until Oct. 26. *Sight Sonic: The Art of Music* was the first exhibition at the gallery when it opened in November 1998. As part of the anniversary, the gallery also is seeking stories and memorabilia from patrons. Information for submitting writing can be found on the gallery's Web site: <http://www.detroitcontemporary.com>. The gallery is located at 5141 Rosa Parks Blvd. in Detroit.

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Susan Roush McClenaghan (above) is looking forward to the Great Race Motor City Cider Run in Livonia Sept 25-28

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The Great Race 2003 began in Livonia for the first time in 21 years and with such success a return was imminent. The revival comes in the form of a regional rally titled *The Great Race Motor City Cider Run*.

The Great Race has announced that Livonia will be the designated headquarters and start location during the three-day rally weekend Sept 25-28.

This is our first chance to get the Michigan regional off the ground, said Roush spokesperson and Livonia resident Susan Roush McClenaghan. "I'd really like to see us get 40 or so participants. I felt because the Great Race started here, people are more familiar with it. Hopefully that will carry over to regionals."

Beginning in Livonia, the cider run will also make stops at Wiard's Orchard and Country Fair in Washtenaw County, downtown Plymouth and then north to Frankenmuth.

Competition during the Motor City Cider Run will utilize the same rally GRID (Great Race International Design) system that is used during the national two-week Great Race that also started in Livonia in June.

Racers will start and return to Livonia (Livonia Marriott 17100 N Laurel Park Drive) daily in a cloverleaf style event. Participants have the choice of a Run for Fun or "Dash for Cash."

Anything goes in this race including antique cars, street cruisers, rentals or Harley's.

Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey said the Great Race had an important impact on the city.

"It brought a great deal of excitement, which tends to be long lasting," said Kirksey.

Participants who choose the division Dash for Cash will be competing for prizes while the Run for Fun racers earn

bragging rights rather than money for the top places they secure.

The entire event is based on cumulative scoring.

McClenaghan said people who are interested in participating have the opportunity to rub elbows with veteran Great Racers and rookie teams (driver and navigator have less than two days Great Racing experience) will receive special one-on-one instruction from Great Race CEO and five-time Grand Champion Wayne Stanfield.

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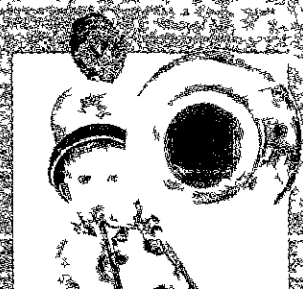
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