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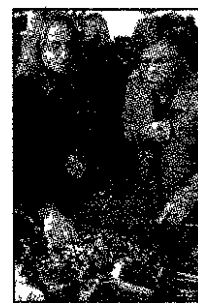


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**CHRISTMAS MEMORIES**

Remember when the cat brought down the Christmas tree or mom told stories about holidays past around the kitchen table. For most people Christmas is filled with funny and touching moments. In December the Observer Community Life section will feature a page filled with reader's Christmas memories. Send yours by Dec. 15, to Hugh Gallagher, Observer Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

**Uptown production**

The Plymouth Uptown Players (formerly Whistle Stop Players) will be performing "Tom Sawyer, a Musical Rendition" at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, 774 N Sheldon Rd, Plymouth. The talented cast of actors, ages 6 to 15, will present four performances with colorful and imaginative sets to audiences opening at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5. Other performances are set for Saturday, Dec. 6th at 2 and 7 p.m., and Sunday, Dec. 7th at 2 p.m. All seats are \$5, and tickets are available at the PCAC. For more information or to reserve tickets call (734) 416-4278.

**Christmas promotion**

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce sponsors its annual "A Plymouth Christmas" promotion from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7 on the streets of downtown Plymouth.

Participants can have free photos taken with Old English folks in costumes, get free horse-drawn carriage rides from noon-4 p.m., or visit Santa in his house on Main Street at the edge of Kellogg Park. The chamber is looking for volunteers to spend a couple of hours wearing costumes to greet visitors. The chamber will provide the costumes. For more information, call (734) 453-1540.

**Walk of Trees**

The chamber is also sponsoring the Walk of Trees in Kellogg Park. Families, groups, Scout groups, school classes or businesses interested in decorating a tree can do so for \$50 per tree. The fee includes 200 white lights strung on each tree and a sign with the group or company's name. The decorators provide the rest. Decorating days are Dec. 5-7. For information, call (734) 453-1540.



Courtney Giles, 8, sits with Santa on the night of Santa's arrival Friday in Kellogg Park.

**Cheers hail Santa arrival**

Budget, bad weather don't stop Saint Nick

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

First, City of Plymouth officials told the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce it would have to pay for the decorations for Friday's annual Santa Claus arrival.

Then, Mother Nature decided to dump cold temperatures and a rain/snow mixture that was a lot more rain than snow on the area.

But none of that dimmed the enthusiasm the hundreds of people who showed up in Kellogg Park had for the Jolly Old Elf, who arrived nearly right on time with the help, as usual, of the Plymouth Community Fire Department.

For instance, Elizabeth Rumohr of Plymouth simply remembered to grab an umbrella, got some hot chocolate for her 6-year-old daughter, Alexa, and Alexa's friend Juliana Zang and enjoyed the ceremony.

PLEASE SEE SANTA, A6

**Condos complete land swap**

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Victory Honda has been up and running for a while, and now the other project to benefit from a two-year-old land swap is getting off the ground.

Developers broke ground Tuesday on Plymouth Village, a 34-unit condominium project on Ann Arbor Road at the former site of Sunshine Honda.

It marks the second development on property essentially traded between former Sunshine Honda owner Tom Bohlander and developer Steve Schaefer, who bought the former Plymouth Stamping property on which Victory Honda now sits. Victory bought Sunshine Honda from Bohlander.

"It's another major redevelopment for the Ann Arbor Road corridor, the face of which is starting to change for the better," said Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann. "It also alleviates the dense commercial use in that immediate area. This is a big change for the corridor. I think the

PLEASE SEE CONDOS, A4

**Judge blasts unfair labor charges**

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth Township officials were happy with the recommendation of an administrative law judge to dismiss five unfair labor practice charges filed against the township by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

But a lawyer representing AFSCME vowed Wednesday the fight isn't over. Judge Roy Roulhac issued his recommendation in a letter to the township and AFSCME attorney Eric Frankke dated Nov. 6, saying in part the AFSCME local

"engaged in a pattern of filing unfair labor practice charges without regard to their merit."

Roulhac's recommendation to the full Michigan Employment Relations Commission was to dismiss the charges, which left township officials feeling vindicated.

"We're extremely pleased," Supervisor Steve Mann said. "We've maintained from the beginning that we hadn't violated any employment rules, and that's what was proven."

But Frankke, representing AFSCME, said he thought Roulhac's decision was

wrong and said AFSCME would appeal to the full MERC by Dec. 29.

"The judge ignored a lot of evidence related to the township's anti-union animus," said Frankie, a Detroit lawyer who works for Miller Cohen.

The case involves five charges involving more than two dozen allegations made by AFSCME between Sept. 26, 2000 and May 30, 2001, all surrounding actions taken around the time the AFSCME local was forming, starting in late 1999, and nearly all involve employees no longer

PLEASE SEE AFSCME, A5

**Principal keeps sundae promise**

Discovery Middle School Principal Roche LaVictor said he imagined his 15-minute of fame much differently than what actually occurred last Friday.

"I never thought it would be as a chocolate sundae," said LaVictor.

Students watched and cheered as LaVictor sat in a plastic wading pool, wrapped in a rain poncho, a swimming cap on his head, ears plugged and wearing a pair of goggles, while they dumped vanilla ice cream, pineapple slices, chocolate syrup, whipped cream - with M&M's as the final topping - on top of their principal.

"The ice cream was the coldest, and the



PLEASE SEE SUNDAE, A6 Discovery Middle School Principal Roche LaVictor reacts to becoming a sundae at lunch period.

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**BOOK SIGNING**

Little Book Shoppe on the Park in downtown Plymouth offers its annual Holiday Open House for Book Club members Saturday, Dec. 6, one day after hosting WDIV TV-4 news anchor Devin Scillian for a book signing.

Scillian will be on hand at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5 to sign copies of his books. Scillian has authored six children's books. His latest offerings include *Cosmo's Moon*, *Passport A World Alphabet* and *Sooner An Oklahoma Alphabet*.

Book club members receive 25 percent off their purchases during the open house. Book Club membership is free and registration can be done at any time, including the day of the sale.

Little Book Shoppe on the Park is located on Main Street, across from Kellogg Park. It's open 9:30 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday and 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call (734) 455-5220.

**CANDLE-LIGHTING SERVICES**

Two local funeral homes will host candle-lighting services in coming weeks in remembrance of

loved ones at the holiday season.

Vermeulen Funeral Home will host such services at both its Plymouth and Westland locations, where the public is invited to gather to pay tribute to a loved one.

The Plymouth service will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 46401 W. Ann Arbor Road, between Sheldon and Beck. Call (734) 459-2250 for more information.

The Westland service takes place at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14, at 980 Newburgh, south of Ford Road. Call (734) 326-1300 for more information.

In addition to the candle lighting, the events feature a special presentation, "Handling the Holidays," which discusses ways to handle grief during the holidays.

There is no charge for the services. Call either location to reserve a space.

Neely and L.A. Turowski Funeral Homes hosts a memorial candle-lighting service at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 8. This event will also include the "Handling the Holidays" presentation on dealing with grief during the holiday season.

The Neely and L.A. Turowski Funeral Home is



**Photo finish**

Celebrated photographer Joyce Tenneson (flashing the 'peace' sign) was a recent guest speaker at the Livonia Town Hall lecture series. Tenneson has been described as 'one of America's most interesting portrayers of the human character.'

located at 30200 5 Mile in Livonia. For more information, call (734) 525-9020.

**CITY CERTIFICATION**

Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena Zamboni operations

employee Ronald Baase has earned a certificate of Ice Arena Operations from the Ice Skating Institute, an international trade association dedicated to providing leadership, education and services to the ice arena industry.

Baase is assigned to the evening operations at the city's ice arena. In order to earn the certificate, Baase had to complete a one-week interactive school that included substantial course work and practical work with nationally recognized ice arena professionals.

Class work included information related to the operations and preventative maintenance of refrigeration equipment as well as the maintenance of the ice surface and building operations. Baase scored a 100-percent score on the final exam.

"Clearly, Ron's exam score shows his dedication to his profession and is an indication of how serious his commitment is at making the Cultural Center Ice Arena the area's best ice-skating facility," city manager Paul Simcock said.

**FINANCIAL PLANNING**

The Plymouth District Library will present the first program in an upcoming seminar series, "Financial Planning for 2004 and Beyond" at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Richard Truxall and Joseph

Panfil of the independent financial planning firm Schacht & Panfil Financial Services, Inc., in Brighton will conduct the program. Attendees will learn:

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■ The tax-free way to help children and grandchildren with college,

■ How to get Long Term Care Insurance and have the federal government subsidize the cost,

■ Avoid the two assets that can be double-taxed.

Advance registration is requested. Please visit the library's Web page, [www.plymouthlibrary.org](http://www.plymouthlibrary.org) or call the Reader's Advisory Desk, (734) 453-0750, press 4.

**GRIEF SEMINAR**

Ward Presbyterian Church sponsors a holiday workshop for those who are grieving. All adults who have experienced the loss of a loved one are welcome and encouraged to attend this free workshop presented by Cathy Clough, director of New Hope Center for Grief Support.

The workshop will be held 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1, in Room E515 at Ward Church, located at 40000 Six Mile Road in Northville. The workshop will end with a special time of remembrance.

There is no need to register. For further information, call Dorothy at (248) 374-6966.

**KIDS' GIFT WORKSHOP**

Children ages 5 and up are invited to "Make and Take" a gift for someone special at the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

The gift workshop takes place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Dec. 13 when kids will have the opportunity to create a piece of art, mat and frame it and then

wrap it in their personalized paper to take home that day. Kids should bring a lunch and be ready to play some games.

The cost is \$40 for PCAC members, \$45 for non-members with a \$10 discount for additional family members. Class size is limited. The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon.

To register or for more information, call (734) 416-4278.

**JEWELRY FESTIVAL**

Native West of Plymouth presents its 14th-annual Jewelry Festival Dec. 4-7, a weekend show that will feature turquoise.

The show will feature an assortment of sterling silver using turquoise, opals, coral and gold. It will also have inlay pieces with hand-cut stones, finished in one-of-a-kind designs and inlaid with silver and gold. The show will also include Native American jewelry.

The show is open from 3-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6, and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7.

Native West is located at 863 W. Ann Arbor Trail. For more information, call (734) 455-8838.

**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

The Christmas Celebration for People Who Care About People With AIDS is returning to St. John's Episcopal Church in Royal Oak. The annual holiday healing Eucharist will be celebrated at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14.

For 19 years, the People Who Care program has been one of the church's most visible and beautiful outreach programs to those in greatest need. The preacher is The Rev. David McAlister of Atlanta. Chief celebrant is the Rt. Rev. H. Coleman McGehee.

Call the Rev. Harry Cook at (248) 588-3230, or the Rev. Rod Reinhardt at (734) 459-7319, to volunteer.

Attendees should feel free to bring gifts for children or adults who have AIDS. All gifts should be tagged with the gender and age of the intended recipient.

For more information, please visit the group's Web site at <http://www.peoplewhocareaboutpeoplewithaids.com>

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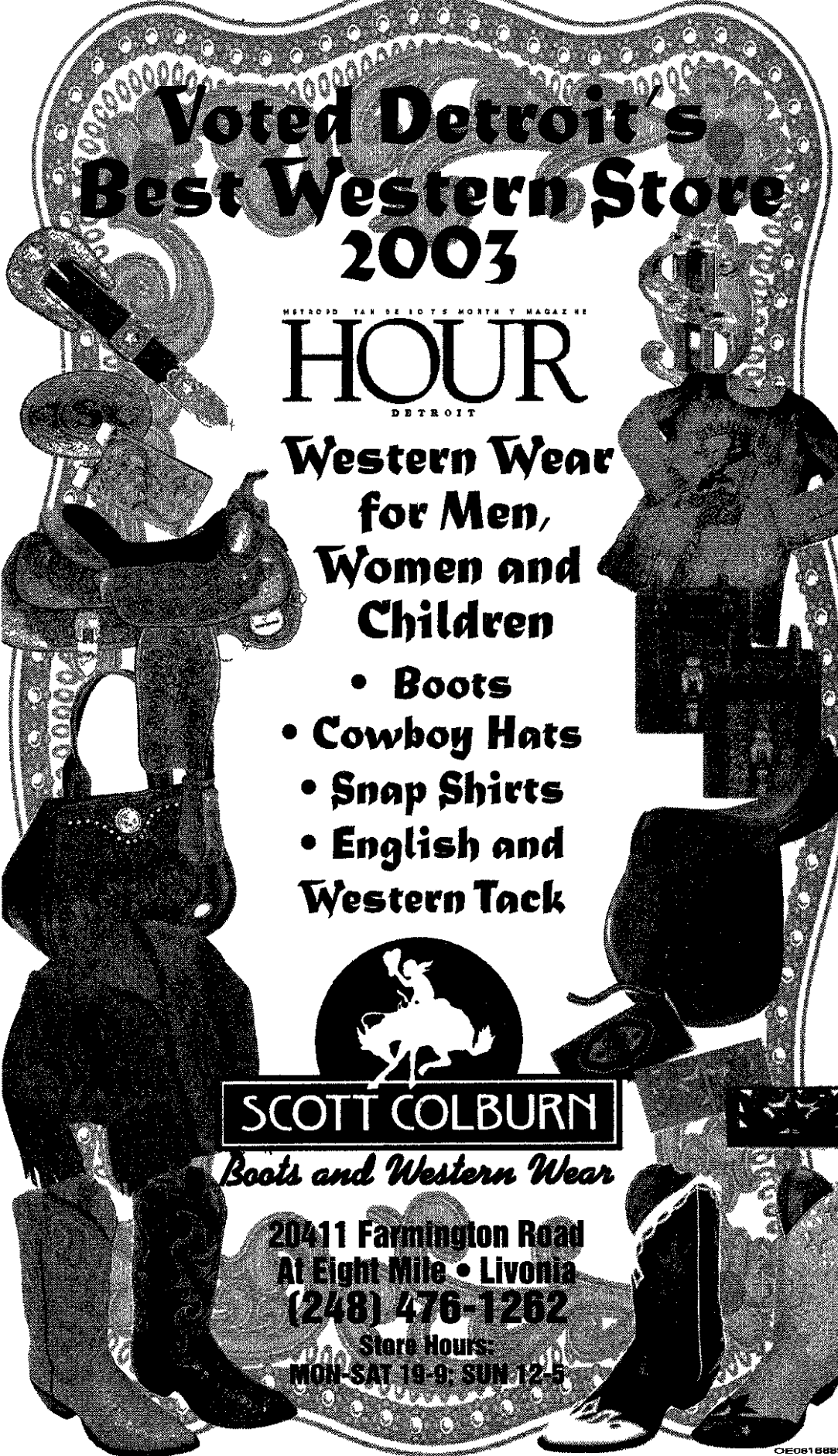
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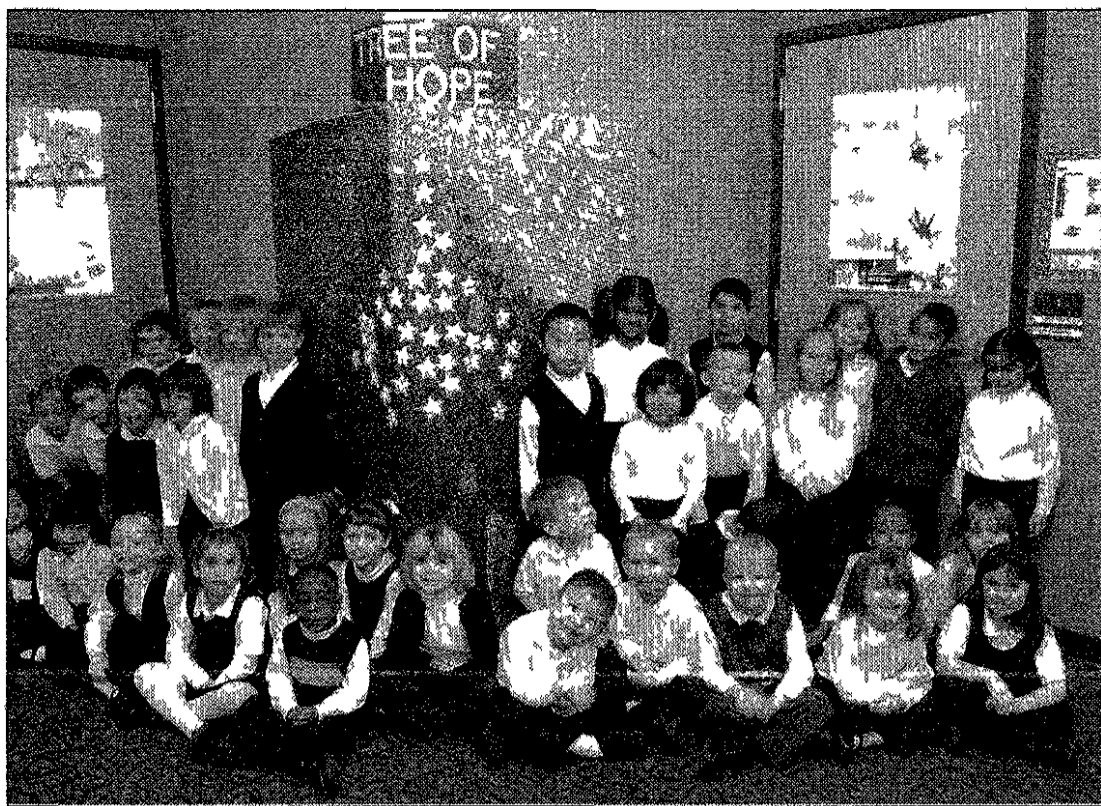
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Canton Charter Academy kindergartners from started a Tree of Hope to raise money to help Tyler Ewing, who was diagnosed with cancer before school started in the fall

# Classmates give their gift of hope, friendship

When kindergarten students at Canton Charter Academy learned that someone who was supposed to have been their classmate could not be in school because he was battling cancer, they decided to raise some money for a Christmas gift

Kindergarten teacher Terri Scott, said the child, 5-year-old Tyler Ewing, was pulled from school two days before classes were scheduled to begin

"He has neuroblastoma," she said "He's had it for awhile. He was doing better, then it came back on him"

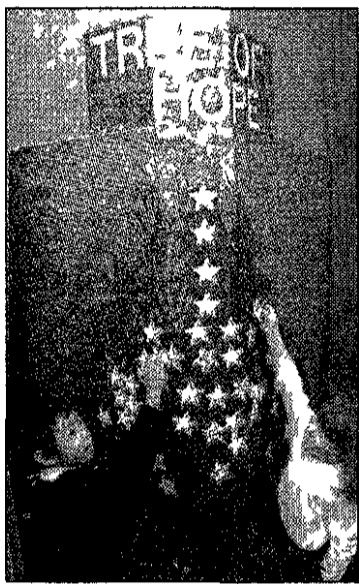
Tyler is the son of Tracey and Katarra Ewing of Canton

His mother said he was diagnosed with cancer on Oct. 31 of last year

"He's been through intense chemotherapy, surgery, a stem cell transplant," she said "He didn't respond to the treatment. We're told the chances are less than 5 percent of long-term remission"

Tyler came to the academy and met the students, although he did not enroll

"They wanted to raise money for Tyler to buy him something special for Christmas," Scott



Brandin Yee (left) and Sarah Connolly (right) are kindergartners at Canton Charter Academy. They are working with their classmates to raise money to help Tyler Ewing, who was diagnosed with cancer before he was to start kindergarten in the fall

to try to raise even more by holding a concert. They're selling tickets at \$3 a ticket for the concert, which will be held at the academy, at Ford and Ridge roads, from 6-7 p.m. on Dec. 11. All 80 kindergartners will sing

"All the proceeds will go to Tyler and his family," Scott said "We'll probably raise over \$1,000"

And that could come in handy, as Tyler's family is planning to take him to New York to undergo an experimental treatment as soon as he's ready

"There's an antibody that's only available there," said Katarra "He'll be going a total of four times"

She said they'll probably go in February, but doctors say Tyler's blood count needs to recover before he undergoes the treatment. And he may need another stem cell transplant

Tyler has three sisters, Takayla, 9, at fourth grade at the academy, Kiersten, 2 1/2, and Karis, 9 months

For more information on the concert, or to make a donation, call the academy at (734) 453-9517

The kids started bringing money from their piggy banks. We had a small goal - \$400 - to buy a gift"

But the money started coming in and the students decided

# Space no longer a problem

Local donations give residents their own rooms

For anyone who has lived with a roommate, the significance of \$200,000 in renovations at the Plymouth Opportunity House can't be underestimated

The 16 adults with developmental disabilities who live in the home at 593 Deer Street can certainly express the importance of adding four new bedrooms to the facility, which has been in Plymouth since 1975

For residents like Terri Katlem, it means no longer having to share living space

"I like to be by myself so I can be alone," she said "Sometimes my roommate made me nervous. That's why I wanted my own room"

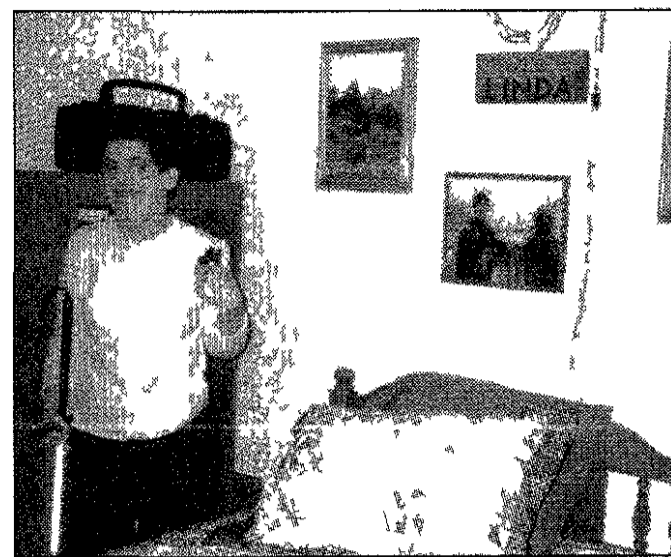
And, for the first time, Katlem and others will have a chance to decorate their rooms the way they've wanted

"I decorated my room with flags and cars," said James Langton, who also noted he will enjoy "lots of peace and quiet"

Denise King, director of Community Opportunity Center, said the improvements became possible as a result of community effort

"The Jack Wilcox Foundation gave the greatest amount of money (\$145,000) toward the addition," said King "A lot of families gave significantly, and we did a lot of fundraising with different groups. We raised about \$20,000 from an appeal letter"

"Jeff Stella (Ray Stella Contracting in Plymouth) is putting in new kitchen cabinets, we received a 30-year interest-free loan from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority to replace all the flooring, and we received help with painting from a number of groups," said King "It's really like a new home, and



Plymouth Opportunity House resident Linda Scheck will enjoy the benefits of her own room at Opportunity House



Resident Terry Jergens (seated), pictured with her sister, Diane Janes, is among the residents who benefit from renovations at Plymouth Opportunity House

makes a big difference in the lives of those who live there

A portrait of Wilcox, a long-time Plymouth resident, is visible to anyone who visits Opportunity House. John Gaffield, a Wilcox Foundation board

member, said it's a project the foundation didn't have to think twice to fund

"Jack would be proud and happy to be part of something like this as a legacy," said Gaffield "It's something we were enthused to be part of"

The Order of Alhambra, an international Catholic men's group that works with the developmentally disabled, donated \$5,000 to Plymouth Opportunity House

"We were pleased to be able to help make this a beautiful place to live," said Connie Quinn from Alhambra

King said the average wait to get into the house is 15 years, and there's a list of nearly 200 people waiting to get in

Community Opportunity Center - which also operates homes in Livonia, Redford and Garden City - is funded by the state through Community Mental Health. However, because of funding cutbacks, King's group must depend more on other sources for annual revenue—including \$45,000 from the Plymouth Community United Way

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OBITUARIES

**Helen K. Lonergan**  
 Services for Helen Lonergan, 92, of Canton (formerly of Illinois) were held Nov 28 at the Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home in Bloomington, Ill., with the Rev Gary L. Ford officiating. Burial followed at East Lawn Cemetery in Bloomington, Ill.

Mrs. Lonergan was born July 18, 1911, in Eureka, Ill. She had formerly worked in the office of McKesson & Robbins, Peoria, Ill. During WWII, she worked at Pabst Brewing Company in Peoria Heights. Later she and her husband operated Bayless TV & Appliance for ten years. After her husband passed away, she moved to Pekin, Ill. where she joined Grace Methodist Women and Friendship Club. She was also a member of Pekin Women's Club and

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Mrs. Lonergan was preceded in death by husband, Kenneth Lonergan in 1983.

Survivors include son, Jerry Lee (Mary) Lonergan of Canton, grandchildren Mark (Darlene) Lonergan of Almont, Mich., Steven (Laura) Lonergan of White Lake and Lee Anne Powell of Canton, and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to a hospice program of the donor's choice.

Arrangements made by Calvert & Metzler Memorial Home in Bloomington, Ill.

**Minnie Gabbard**  
 Services for Minnie Gabbard, 91, of Plymouth, were held Nov 26 at Vermeulen Funeral Home with the Rev Jerry Young and Bishop Jeremy Hyde officiating. Burial followed at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia.

Mrs. Gabbard was born

April 29, 1912, in Jackson County, Ky and died Nov 22 in Plymouth. She lived in Plymouth for the past four years. She previously lived in Livonia from 1956-1999. She got married in 1928 to Bennie Gabbard. She was a member of the Lighthouse Worship Center since 1956 (formerly the Livonia Church of God). She was active in the church. She quilted hundreds of quilts for family and friends and she loved to cook. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Gabbard was preceded in death by husband, Bennie Gabbard, and son, Aaron Gabbard.

Survivors include son, Raymond (Joan) Gabbard of Georgia, James (Zelma) Gabbard of Georgia, and Charles (Deanna) Gabbard of Florida, daughter, Wanda Smith of Plymouth, 18 grandchildren, 59 great-grandchildren, and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Gabbard Family Fund, c/o Wanda Smith Arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home



Plymouth Township officials and representatives of Talon Development Group broke ground Tuesday at the site of Plymouth Village—a condominium project going up on Ann Arbor Road.

CONDOS

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residential touch is going to add nicely to it.

The swap came as Bohlander was embroiled in controversy over an expansion project at the old Sunshine Honda site. Bohlander's plan would have extended the plant back into the residential neighborhood, which upset residents in that area.

When Schaefer bought Plymouth Stamping, township officials helped negotiate a land swap, which moved the auto dealership further east on Ann Arbor Road, and put the residential condominium project nearer the neighborhood.

"We were talking, and we

thought, 'Wouldn't it be something if they could swap parcels and get the residential development on the Sunshine Honda site,' said Mann, who talked it over with municipal services director James Anulewicz. 'We thought it would work better with the neighborhood.'

Obviously, officials for Talon Development Group, the firm building the condominiums, agrees. The current plan calls for 34 units in three different buildings, with future phases also possible.

Plymouth Village offers two floor plans, one 1,328-square-foot plan that includes a master suite and a lower level with recreation room, and a 1,579-square-foot plan including a master suite and a family room.

The first condos are expected to be finished by next spring, with pricing beginning in the \$190,000 range.

"We are very excited to break ground on Plymouth Village," said Michael Poltsnell, president and CEO of Talon Development Group, the firm building the condos. "The Plymouth area is a very popular and desirable community and we think Plymouth Village will be a great addition to the residential mix available in Plymouth Township."

Mann, who attended Tuesday's ground breaking, was glad to see the project get off the ground.

"Everything worked out," he said about the swap. "We are extremely satisfied."

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■ Tuesday, Nov 25 - Residential rescue run on W Ann Arbor Trail, vehicle accident rescue runs on Five Mile at Northville, and Harvey at Hartsough with special wash down, and Lilley at Postiff, and special wash down at Five Mile and Sheldon

■ Monday, Nov 24 - Residential rescue runs on Haggerty, Rose, Sherdan and Northville Road, smoke investigation on I-275 at M-14, and vehicle accident rescue run on Sheldon at M-14

■ Sunday, Nov 23 - Residential rescue runs on Plymouth Heights, Ann Arbor Road and Sherdan, commercial rescue run on North Territorial, and rescue run at a public building on Farmer

■ Saturday, Nov 22 - Residential rescue runs on Northville, Colony Farms Court,

Terry and Beckenridge, commercial rescue run on Haggerty, and special wash down on Ann Arbor Road at I-275

■ Friday, Nov 21 - Residential rescue runs on Wilson, W Ann Arbor Trail, and Adams, vehicle accident rescue run on Ann Arbor Road at Massey, and M-14 at I-275, and rescue run at a public building on Five Mile

■ Thursday, Nov 20 - Rescue run at a public building on Five Mile, vehicle accident rescue run on Beck at Ann Arbor Trail, Port, and Hines, east of Haggerty, industrial rescue run on Plymouth, and N Sheldon, carbon monoxide detector run on Five Mile, and rescue run on Penniman

■ Wednesday, Nov 19 - Residential rescue run on Crabtree, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road, vehicle accident rescue runs on Sheldon at Helm, and M-14 at Schoolcraft, and special downed wires run on N Mill

**AFSCME**

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with the township

Among the allegations ■ Treasurer Ron Edwards "restrained or coerced" employees in the exercise of their rights, including making inaccurate statements about the health of former employee Carol Pyykkonen and threatening former employee Karen Akans with legal action because of her union activities

■ Edwards convinced the township board to remove the purchaser position held by Akans

■ Edwards eliminated deputy treasurer responsibilities, and the compensation paid for them, from employee Irene Whitmore

■ The township subcontracted its assessing work without bargaining such a move with AFSCME

■ The township failed to bargain regarding the impact of a reorganization plan put into place in November

'We're extremely pleased.

We've maintained from the beginning that we hadn't violated any employment rules, and that's what was proven.'

Steve Mann  
supervisor Plymouth Township

2000, shortly before Mann took office ■ Various violations of the Public Employment Relations Act

Roulhac not only sided with the township, he came down on AFSCME "(Claims) that remain are either unsupported by the facts, mischaracterize the facts, or have no legal basis," Roulhac said

Edwards, who was a primary target of many of the claims, said he was happy with Roulhac's recommendation

"I come in and do my job here, and I

believe I've been vindicated through this process," said Edwards, who has been treasurer since 1996

But Franke said Roulhac ignored a lot of evidence, including testimony from at least one township trustee that indicated Mann and Edwards bear animus toward the union

"I think he was just plain wrong, and we will be appealing," Franke said Mann said he felt the union was trying to strengthen its position by forcing the township to bargain a settlement of the unfair labor charges He said the township spent some \$30,000-\$40,000 defending itself against the claims

"We've said from the very beginning the relationship with AFSCME got off to a bad start, and I think these (charges) were a result of that," Mann said "We're not going to let them improve their bargaining position by allowing false unfair labor claims I think it's disappointing because it's a lot of wasted effort and money on our part defending ourselves"

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**SANTA**

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ny for the fourth straight year. "We come every year, so the weather didn't stop us," said Rumohr, who left her son home because of illness. "It's cold, but the hot chocolate is good, and I was smart enough to remember the umbrella."

Umbrellas, coffee and hot chocolate were staples for the evening, but it didn't stop the large crowd from enjoying the voices of choir members from Canton and Salem High Schools, who led the audience in the singing of Christmas carols.

The weather also didn't stop Santa from calling children up onto the stage and singing, or from lighting the Christmas tree in the middle of the park.

Unfortunately, that tree was the only thing decorated in the park. Holiday decorations were one of the things city officials had to cut when considering how to spend its money.

Chamber officials had to pay some \$600 for the tree to be decorated, plus hundreds of dollars more in costs to put on



Joshua Ramey 10 helps Santa lead the other kids in Christmas carols on the band shell in Kellogg Park Friday.

the annual event. City manager Paul Sincock said cuts in support for events like this one are going to continue as long as the city faces the tight financial constraints under which it currently operates.

"We're down a couple of people in the municipal services department, and we don't have a large contingent of seasonals who come in this time of year," Sincock said. "We have to get the leaves picked up."

The decision disappointed chamber officials. "I knew something like this

would eventually happen," executive director Fran Toney said. "I thought because of the budget they might have to lay some people off, but I didn't think that had happened yet. I'm surprised and disappointed it cost us this much to bring in Santa Claus."

Santa Claus will now receive visits from children of all ages at Santa's House during weekends between now and Christmas. For information on Santa's House hours, call the chamber (734) 453-1540.

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Discovery Middle School Principal Roche LaVictor became a human sundae.

**SUNDAE**

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pineapple made a sickening sploosh sound as the kids slapped it on, said LaVictor. And, even with taping the neck on the poncho, it still got underneath and I could feel it running down my back and front, between my toes, and it got inside the goggles.

Believe it or not, it was LaVictor's idea to become the human sundae, promising students he would give the top homeroom from each of the three middle school grades a

chance to participate if they increased sales in the annual magazine sale fund-raiser.

Ari Patel, a seventh-grader from Canton Township, sold 82 subscriptions - most in the school - and had ample opportunity to pour it on.

I poured the chocolate all over him, and whipped cream and pineapple and it was fun," said Patel. "I'd do it again next year."

By the time sixth-grader Brittany Brodie was ready for her turn with the whipped cream, she said, "He was really messy. It didn't look like our principal."

As I was doing it, he kept telling me, Miss Brodie, I have

three more years with you," she said. "I was thinking this was payback for all the homework."

At the end, nearly 50 people had the opportunity to participate in creating the human sundae. "I left my clothes on and went right into the shower," said LaVictor. "It was really disgusting."

It was just a week earlier that Assistant Principal Clint Smiley allowed students to duct tape him to the wall as part of the same fund-raiser.

There has to be something to show kids we're really just people, and we can have a good time with them," said LaVictor.

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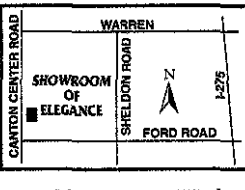
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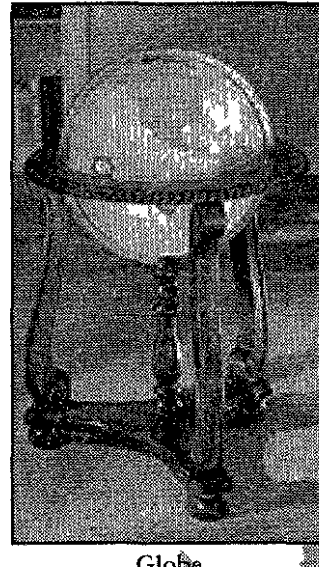

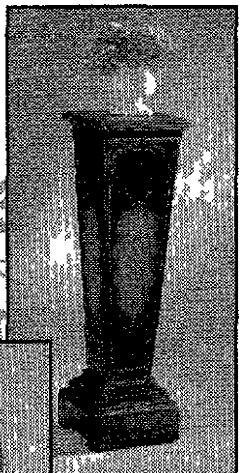
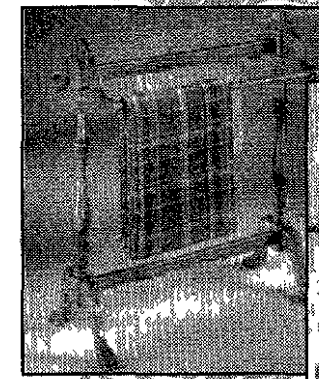
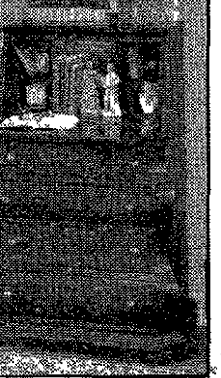
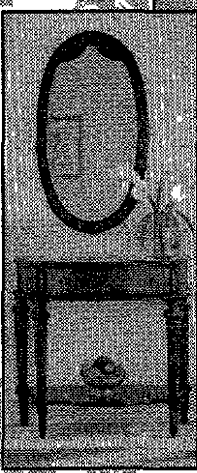


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# State Sen. Hansen Clarke's political star shining again

This is the story of a mixed-up young man who couldn't find himself, and a black lady named Octavia Lyons who cleaned house for a wealthy family in the suburbs Hansen Clarke was a 23-year-old college dropout in 1980



Jack Lessenberry

His parents were dead The kids he had grown up with on the mean streets of Detroit's lower east side were getting in trouble, or worse

And Octavia, who happened to be his godmother, gave him a talking to Several talkings to, in fact "She really was the one who made a difference," he said over a late lunch last week, soon after flying in from an economic development meeting in Africa

Today, State Sen Hansen Clarke is one of the Democrats' brighter lights in the legislature Four years after Octavia took him to task, she took the first and only plane trip of her life, to Ithaca, N.Y., to see him graduate from Cornell University

Three years later, he got a law degree from Georgetown There have been ups and downs since then But today, he thanks his particular past has given him a certain insight into the problems of his city Simply put, he says "Kids need two parents"

Clarke's biggest cause in the Senate has been pushing a bill for "grandparent rights," which he says would help keep families together

"It is no secret that you have many cases where the parents may be non-existent, or on drugs, and where the grandparents are raising these children," he said

Clarke knows that sometimes even when loving parents are present, kids need extra help His main problem was that he didn't have his parents long enough Incidentally, when people meet the senator for the first

time, it is amusing to watch them try to guess his age and ethnic background

He could pass for an Italian-American in his early 30s, or get away with claiming just about any Middle Eastern or Mediterranean pedigree But he is actually a 46-year-old native Detroit with a twist - his father was a Muslim from India, his mother, African-American Raised a Muslim, he is now a Roman Catholic

Clarke's life has had its twists and turns too, ones that have taken him from the mean streets of the city's lower East Side to Philips Exeter Academy - and back again He has gone from homelessness and food stamps to Cornell University and a law degree from Georgetown By the time he was 33 he was a rising political star A decade later, after losing several contests, he was widely viewed as a washed-up loser

Now, his star seems to be shining again He defeated an incumbent to win election to the Michigan Senate last year, where he is one of only 16 Democrats, and where he has already moved into a key spot on the appropriations committee

Incidentally, while he loyally praises Gov Jennifer Granholm, he thinks what is needed to solve the budget crisis is more outside-the-box thinking "We act as if we can only cut from a few areas," he said

"Well, let's get a new model We have a total state budget of what, \$38, \$39 billion? Let's look at this in an entirely new way Yes, we need more revenue - and we shouldn't be afraid to ask for it," he said "But I know we can find a billion dollars in there without doing much damage"

Whether that is right or not - and whether or not he could ever get the majority Republicans to go along in restructuring the budget - Clarke at least has a can-do, entrepreneurial spirit For instance, he would reward state employees who find ways to save the state money by letting them keep at least part of the

savings "You need to put your employees first," he said "You need to reward risk-taking and initiative"

What really moves him, however, is education He thinks charter schools are not the answer to our educational problems, fixing the public schools is

"My father died when I was 8 years old, and my mother took a job as a school crossing guard - which paid nothing - so that she could keep an eye on me and on my education But many kids don't have what I had What about the mother who happens to be on crack? How is she going to know what is a good charter school?"

In September, he noted, Beacon International Academy on Detroit's east side suddenly and unexpectedly closed when Ferris State University revoked its charter, leaving parents or guardians of 300-odd kids scrambling to find new schools for their kids, with the semester already several weeks under way

Clarke thinks it would be better to put our energy and resources into a system of reliable public schools that parents could count on, no matter where they might live Such schools still existed when he was a little boy He did well enough in one that when he was in junior high, he unexpectedly got a scholarship to Exeter He didn't stay to graduate, but it changed his life Later, there was Cornell and Georgetown

So which school had the biggest impact on him? No contest "Jones Elementary School," a Detroit public school back in the old neighborhood, he grins

Jones is still there today Perhaps it isn't what it was in the 1960s, but he believes it could be again He plans to keep an eye on it, and I plan to keep an eye on what promises to be an interesting political career

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# Gap in travel shows need to think globally, act locally

Rick Perry epitomizes the phrase "think globally, act locally"

The Farmington Rotarian was tapped to keynote the Nov 20 Student Government Day with good reason As an economic development specialist for Brandenburg, Germany, Perry always has one foot in the U.S. and the other an ocean away



Joni Hubred-Golden

That's more than can be said for most Americans, according to results of a study conducted by the Strategic Task Force on Education Abroad

Compiled for the Association of International Educators, which promotes international education and exchange programs, the report found a serious deficit in "global competence," evidenced in part by a stunning imbalance in overseas study programs

About 130,000 of 13 million U.S. college students participate in overseas study, as opposed to 584,000 students from other countries who study in the U.S.

While it's probably not fair to compare one nation with the rest of the world, a ratio of almost 5:1 is startling "Americans are disconnected from the rest of the world," Perry said "If this is the case, we're going down a risky path But we can change the course, if we think globally and act locally"

He challenged students with that mantra, relating his own experiences as a three-time participant in

exchange programs He made his first trip to Germany when his French teacher led a "sister city" German tour She promised a side trip to France, so Perry signed on

After developing a friendship with an exchange student from Germany, he decided to go back While in college, he elected to do an internship in Germany, a trip he extended for two months

Perry applied for a Rotary Ambassador Scholarship, which funds overseas study trips, after graduating from Central Michigan University

"They said, 'You can go abroad, but you can't go to Germany,'" Perry said "I chose Switzerland"

He studied at the University of Zurich, and the airfare, room and board was completely funded by Rotary - a scholarship valued at about \$10,000

Overseas trips heavily influenced Perry's career path, he holds a bachelor's degree in political science and marketing from Central and a master's degree in political science from Ohio State University

After the Gulf War, he purchased a travel agency focusing on international travel and doubled the business every year

Perry now owns TransNational, which helps companies in Europe do business in America and seeks U.S. and Canadian investment in companies going to Europe He's also a co-founder of the Cross-Cultural Leadership Forum, which provides training for business owners who want to do business internationally

Traveling to Europe four or five times a year, Perry said, gives him a very different perspective about the U.S. It helps him see America the way people in

other countries do - something he learned about in a high school history assignment

To better understand their forefathers, students were asked to explore what it might have been like to come from a foreign country to a new land and see how people from other countries view America

"I found out perhaps it wasn't them who were strange and different, but us," Perry said

We make a lot of the fact that kids in Farmington Schools speak more than 80 languages in their homes, we spend a great deal of time talking about diversity and global education in our communities

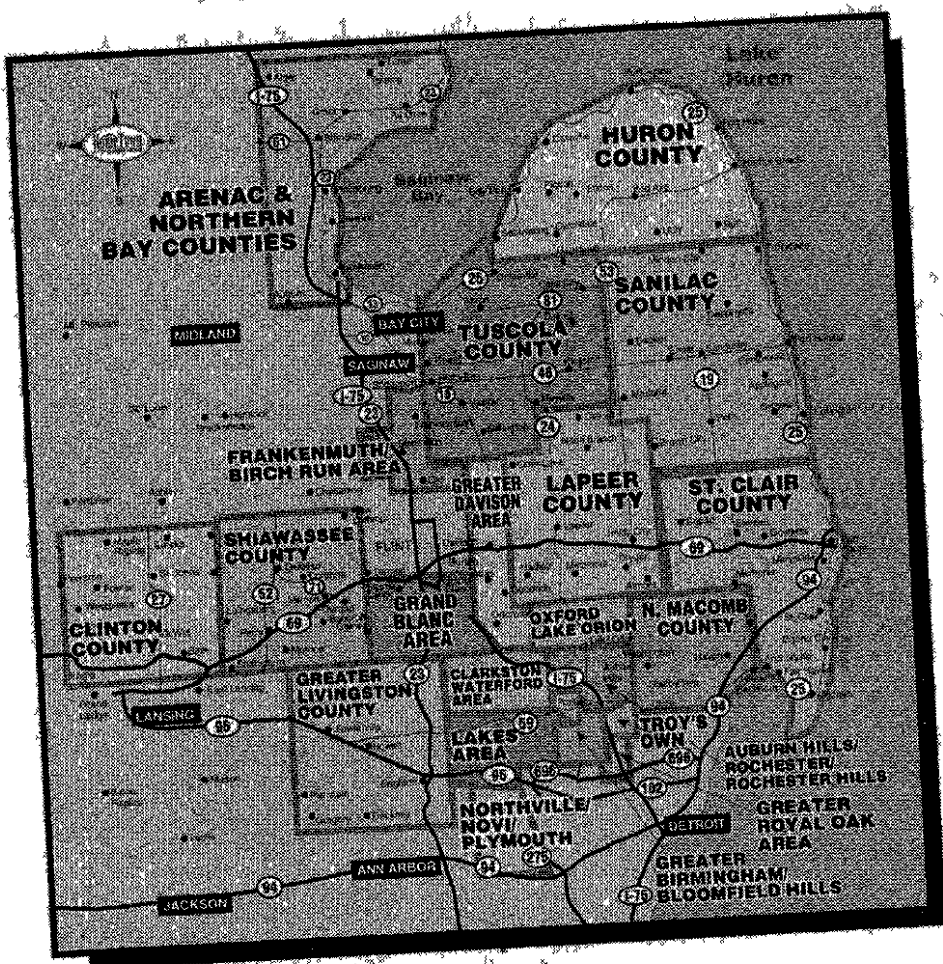
But maybe we're missing an important key to understanding America's place in the world and gaining a more clear understanding of what it means to be an American As Perry pointed out, global education is about more than reading books and visiting Web sites

Students must be encouraged to travel abroad, to learn a language other than English and to drink in as much as they can of the entire world around them Rotary International offers a number of exchange and service programs for both youth and adults Learn more about them at www.rotary.org

It is important to encourage kids to believe America is a wonderful place to live But we can no longer afford to gaze only at our own reflection in the mirror of patriotism

Joni Hubred-Golden is editor of the Farmington Observer She welcomes your comments in person or by mail at 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia 48150 by phone (734) 953 2131 by fax (734) 591 7279 or via e mail jhubred@oe.homecomm.net

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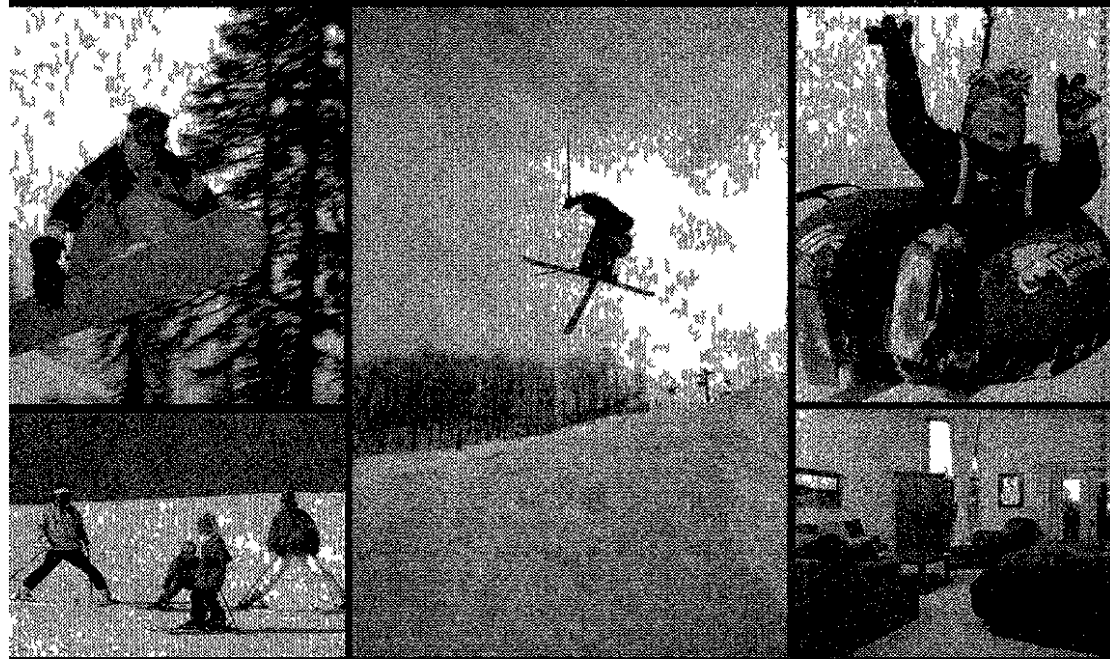
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## Funds approved for Riverfront projects

The Metropolitan Affairs Coalition (MAC), as part of its Greater Detroit American Heritage River (AHR) Initiative, approved the use of \$120,000 in Community Service Funds for three programs that will help revitalize the Detroit Riverfront.

The Grosse Ile Nature and Land Conservancy has been awarded a \$20,000 challenge grant that will help generate additional grant money to conduct a second phase of shoreline restoration in the Grosse Ile Nature Area. This past summer, the Grosse Ile Nature and Land Conservancy, in partnership with the Greater Detroit AHR Initiative, rehabilitated 280 feet of shoreline at the nature area using soft engineering techniques.

This first phase will result in a new natural shoreline with native emergent plants. The second phase of the project involves completing the remaining Detroit Rivershoreline using the soft engineering technique. Estimated cost of completing the shoreline is \$80,000. This project is one of 13 AHR demonstration projects for soft engineering of shorelines along the Detroit River.

MAC will use \$50,000 to retain Hamilton Anderson Associates Inc. for a Lower River Project Opportunities Assessment to identify, map, and describe projects in the lower Detroit River that may be suitable for a later phase of detailed planning, design, engineering, or immediate implementation. Possible projects to emerge from this assessment could include greenways creation, brownfield redevelopment, marina construction, or historic preservation efforts.

MAC will also use \$50,000 to provide technical support to further the work of the AHR Initiative and the River Navigator John Hartig. This will enhance the capacity of the Initiative and help bring more river related projects to fruition.

"MAC is proud to play a role in revitalizing the Detroit Riverfront and these projects do just that," said David Sanders, vice president of MAC.

These Community Service Funds were made available to MAC by the United States Attorney's Office as part of the resolution of a criminal matter.



As the lights came on, Eden Messner, 3, from Garden City (center) covers her ears thinking there would be some kind of loud noise when the switch was thrown. At left is County Executive Robert Ficano.

# Hines Drive sparkles with 1 million lights

Hines Drive is aglitter with 35 animated displays featuring 1 million lights for the annual Lightfest.

The Lightfest route is over four miles long, the Midwest's largest and longest light show.

Dec. 2, 9 and 16 will be Toy Nights. Wayne County will be lending a hand to provide toys to disadvantaged children in the county. On these three nights, the community is invited to bring a new, unwrapped toy in lieu of the suggested \$5 donation fee. Visitors are also welcome to contribute the recommended donation and give a toy.

Outside of Santa's Workshop, there will be a giant mailbox where kids of all ages can drop off their letters to Santa. Santa's elves will pick up the letters each night. The Workshop at the

Warrendale Picnic area is at the end of the drive and has refreshments and gifts for sale.

Reindeer Nights will be held Dec. 1, 8, 15 and 22. At the conclusion of the display, families and friends are invited to stop by for a visit with Santa's reindeer.

Hines Drive is closed to traffic beginning at 5:45 p.m. The Lightfest begins at 7 p.m. each evening. Enter the Lightfest at Hines Drive and Merriman, 2-1/2 miles south of I-96 in Westland.

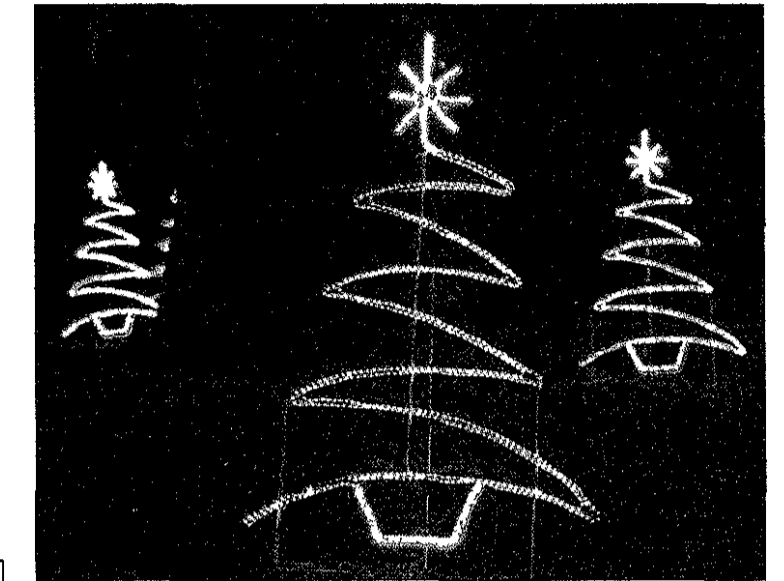
For more information on Wayne County Lightfest, call (734) 261-1990.



Alex Zygmunt, 4, of Canton found the hospitality tent and some very good doughnuts.



The first cars of the season pass through the entrance arch to this year's light show.



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## Sidelines

### WSU harriers 6th

The Wayne State University men's cross country team recorded its best finish in school history by placing sixth at the 2003 NCAA Division II men's cross country championships Nov. 22 in Cary, N.C. Adams State (Colo.) won the title with 68 points followed by Harding (Neb.), 86, Cal-State Chico, 147, Western State (Colo.), 150, and WSU, 212.

WSU senior Nick Allen (Salem) led the Warriors with an 18th-place individual finish with a 10-kilometer time of 31 minutes, 44 seconds. Teammate Joe Verellen (Livonia Stevenson) placed 33rd (29th in the team scoring) in 32:18.7.

### Salem icers fall

Goals came fast and furious Wednesday as Livonia Churchill skated past visiting Salem in a



WLAA crossover 9-2, at Edgar Arena.

Churchill (1-1) led 2-0 after one period and 6-1 after two periods against the Rocks (1-1).

Mike Dzewit, Sean Burke and Brandon Mishowski each scored a pair of goals for the Chargers. Other goals were scored by Brandon Vacca, Wes Carpenter and Chris Barczuk.

Salem's Matt Van Hoet scored at 7:32 of the second period from Aaron Cheesman to make it 4-1. Dan Crockett added a goal at 4:14 of the third from Tom Cooper and Evan Melbers.

### CC icers lose

It had to end sometime against some opponent. But for the first time in more than two years, Catholic Central's hockey team lost to an in-state opponent - falling 5-2 to Orchard Lake St. Mary's at Compuware Arena.

It was the first loss to a Michigan opponent for CC since Nov. 17, 2001 - a 3-0 loss to Port Huron Northern - in a streak that lasted 42 games over parts of three seasons. Grosse Pointe North came the closest with an 0-0 tie in the 2001-02 season.

It was 1-1 after one period with Albert Stanker scoring for the Eaglets and Jason Lewarne scoring from Jimmy Burns and Harrison Niemann scoring for CC.

Burns scored for the Shamrocks in the second (from Mike Monterey and Tim Buttery) but Zach Doven and Jonathan Connors gave OLSM a 3-2 lead. John Montrille made it 4-2 for the Eaglets (2-0), while Doven added an empty-net goal.

John Garza stopped 22 of 26 shots in goal for the Shamrocks (2-1), while Shane Trevler stopped 31 of 33 for the Eaglets.

# MU spikers face familiar foes at nationals

Madonna University women's volleyball coach Jerry Abraham has taken the page from the Tom Izzo school of scheduling. To beat the best, you have to play the best.

When the fifth-seed Crusaders, 40-3 overall, take to the court Wednesday in the opening round in the NAIA Volleyball National Championship at Point Loma Nazarene University (Calif.), they will have faced 10 of the 20 teams in the field including Pool D play opponents Lubbock

### COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Christian (Tex.), 31-6, Spring Hill (Ala.), 35-14, and Georgetown (Ky.), 38-3.

"We knew we had a tough schedule, but we planned it that way," said Abraham, who is taking his Crusaders to their sixth trip to San Diego since 1993. "Things turned out the way we had hoped. And we also played some other ranked teams that did not qualify. We put ourselves in strong tournaments to

have the opportunity to be in this (NAIA) tourney."

All told, the Crusaders have beaten eight of the 10 tournament teams they have faced including Spring Hill, Georgetown, Olivet Nazarene (Ill.), Lee University (Tenn.), Biola (Calif.), Walsh (Ohio), Columbia (Mo.), Houston Baptist (Tex.).

The only teams which have beaten MU this season are Cornerstone (not in the field), Indiana University-Southeast and Lubbock Christian, the

latter whom is MU's first-round opponent, 11-15 a.m. (PST) Wednesday.

Lubbock Christian, the Region VI runner-up, beat MU in the Houston Baptist Tourney on Oct. 10 in four games, 22-30, 30-22, 30-20 and 30-26.

"They're very fast and play great defense," Abraham said of Lubbock. "They have a good right-side attack and a strong middle hitter who attacks all parts of the court. They're very consistent with their attack placement."

The top seed is defending national champion National American (N.D.), sporting a 30-1 record. The other remaining seven seeds, in order, include Fresno Pacific (Calif.), 35-2, St. Mary (Neb.), 36-1, Dordt (Ia.), 33-4, MU, last year's runner-up Houston Baptist, 36-5, Dickinson (N.D.), 26-7, and host Point Loma, 27-5.

Last year, MU reached the Final Four before losing to Houston Baptist.

PLEASE SEE VOLLEYBALL, B3

## SVSU men claw past Madonna, 82-74

BY ADAM LARK  
CORRESPONDENT

In the end, the tortoise beat the hare Tuesday night with both Madonna University's men's basketball team and Saginaw Valley State playing their respective roles convincingly.

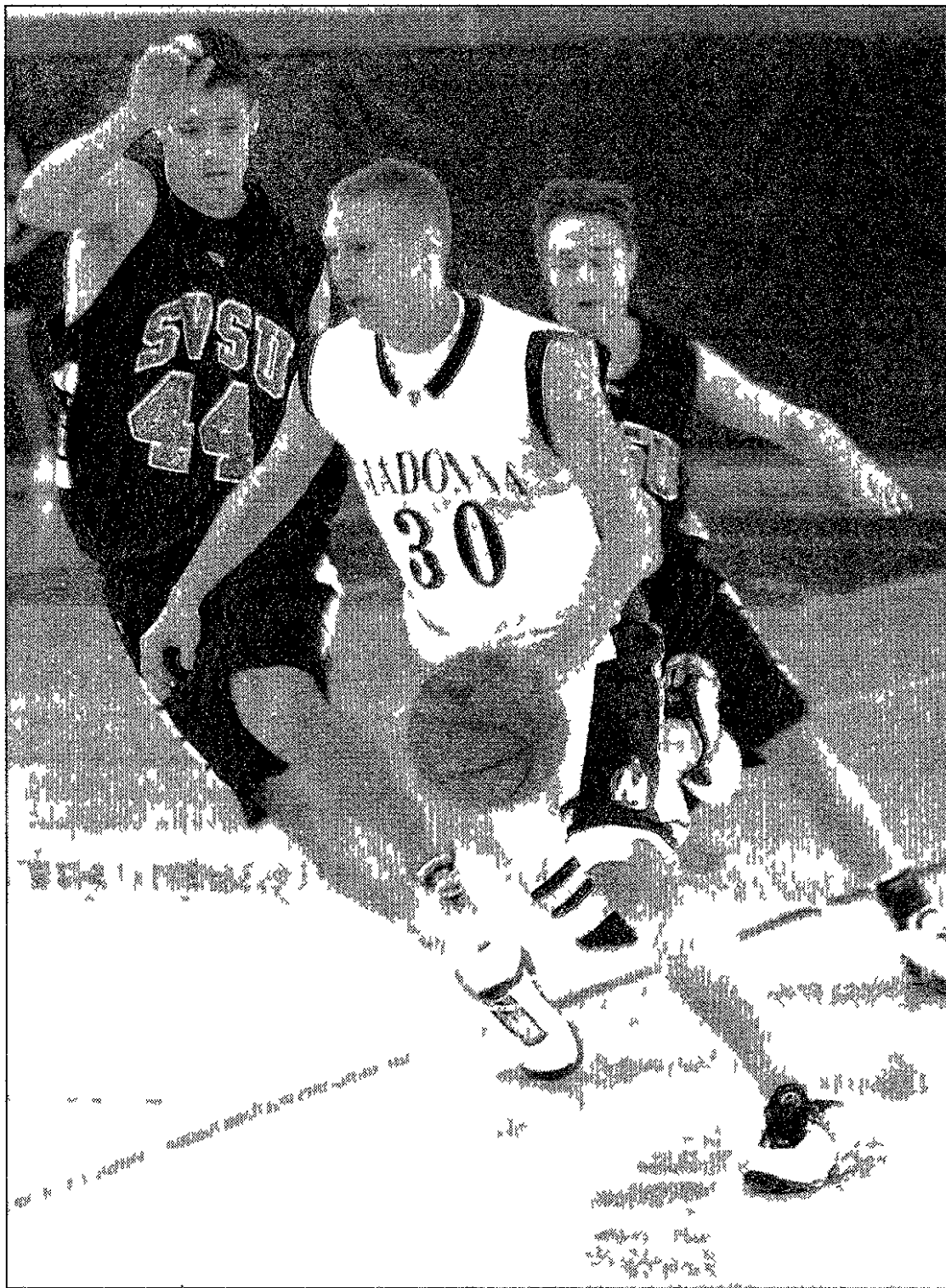
The Cardinals, overcoming a sluggish first half and 19-point Madonna lead, fought back in the final 10 minutes to end up on top, 82-74.

The victory puts Saginaw Valley State at 3-2 overall.

The Crusaders were up 13 points, 47-34, at the end of the first half, but it was all Saginaw Valley State as the Cardinals started the second half with a 9-2 run, shrinking the Crusader lead to seven.

Saginaw Valley State junior Anthony Parker knotted the game up at 61-all with 8:41 left, sinking an off-balanced three pointer. Junior center David Williams gave the Cardinals their first lead since early in the first half (when they lead 7-2), a cut to the basket resulting in an easy lay-up.

"I don't think we took them as



PLEASE SEE MADONNA, B3 MU's Dan Kurtmaritis drives to the hoop with Saginaw Valley's Anthony Parker (44) and Tim Fraick in pursuit.

## Salem's Shaw named All-Area

In each of Redford Catholic Central's trips to the Division 1 golf finals, the Shamrocks showed improvement.

They went from a 10th-place finish in 2000 to a sixth-place finish in 2002.

The Shamrocks made a giant step this year in their third trip to the top spot.

Most of the reason for that was the Shamrocks were as talented as any team around. But a lot of it came from an attitude that they could win - something they picked up from their Observerland Coach of the Year, Bill Hayes.

"I think they learned it from last year," said Hayes, who has been coaching at CC for the past seven seasons. "They really wanted to win and as this year progressed, it was more knowing and feeling that they were going to win than anything. They just



Bill Hayes  
Coach - CC

PLEASE SEE GOLF, B2

## Blazers stopped in regional final

Even on the eve of Thanksgiving, Tiera Delahoussaye was able to bring quite a bit to the table in Wednesday's Class B regional girls basketball final.

The 5-foot-7 junior guard scored a game-high 17 points as she and her Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day teammates carved up Livonia Ladywood, 48-35, at Pontiac Notre Dame Prep.

The Yellowjackets, shooting for their fifth state championship in seven years, will take their 18-7 overall record into Tuesday's state quarterfinal. Country Day will face 23-1 Detroit Renaissance, 5 p.m. at the University of Detroit's Cahihan Hall.

Country Day coach Frank Orlando couldn't have asked for a better start against the 14-11 Blazers, opening up a 14-2 first-quarter lead.

Five times the Yellowjackets converted Ladywood turnovers into baskets during a 12-0 run, including three layups by the cat-quick Delahoussaye, whose game reminds some of NBA guard Nick Van Exel.

"The start set the tone

for the game," said Country Day coach Frank Orlando, who hoisted his 12th regional trophy. "We didn't do that the other night against (Detroit) Crockett. It said we were ready to play."

"We knew Ladywood is a well-coached and disciplined team, but I think the start took something out of them."

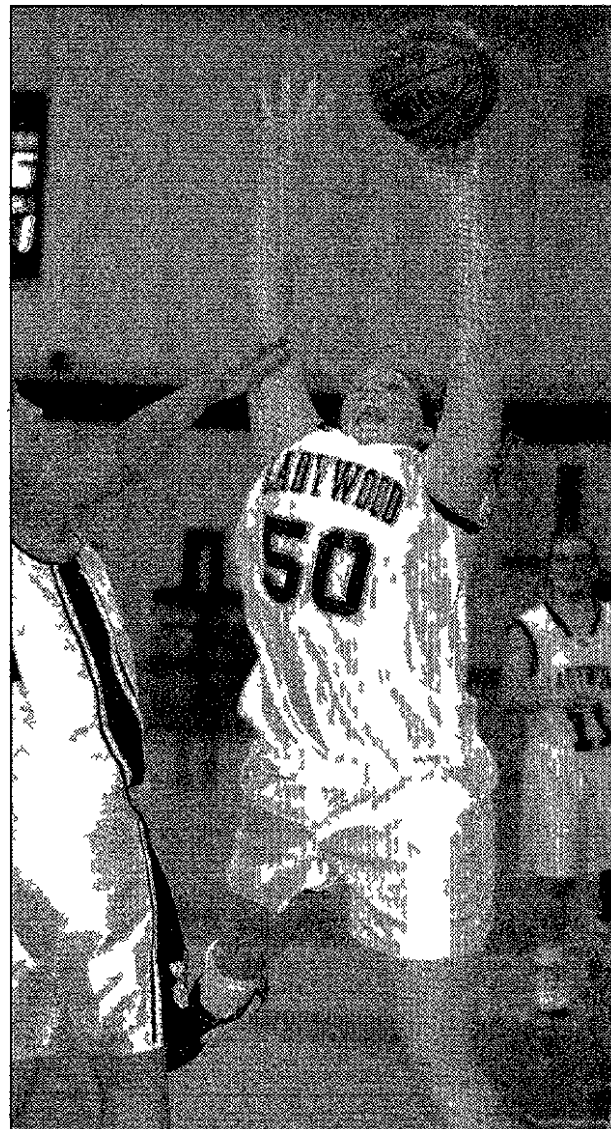
"But we knew they'd battle back." The Blazers, who committed a total of 16 turnovers to Country Day's six, never got closer than 11 the rest of the way.

The only consistent scoring threat for Ladywood was 6-3 senior center Bethany Jury, who finished with a game-high 18 points to go along with nine rebounds.

Jury tallied Ladywood's first 12 points before Nicole Koterba drained a three-pointer - that coming with 2:52 left in the third quarter.

"With Jury, we wanted to front her and help out on her," Orlando said. "She's a strong player who plays under control and we just couldn't guard her unless we fouled her."

Country Day's top two



Livonia Ladywood's Bethany Jury goes in for two of her team-high 18 points in Wednesday's 48-35 regional final loss to Country Day.

PLEASE SEE BLAZERS, B4

## Sting fight way past Whalers in OT

### OHL HOCKEY

The old adage about going to a fight and having a hockey game breaking out?

It was true to form on Thursday night as both host Sarnia Sting and the Plymouth Whalers had at least 38 minutes in penalties.

With penalties so even, it isn't surprising that the score was too - until Sarnia's Daniel Carcillo's goal at 3:13 of overtime gave the host Sting a 3-2 Ontario Hockey League win.

It spoiled a solid comeback by the Whalers (12-7-5-2), who tied the score at 2-2 with four seconds left in regulation. Plymouth pulled goalie Paul Drew for an extra attacker and it paid off as Tim Sestito scored from James Wisniewski.

The rest of the scoring came in the second period. Sarnia got on the board first with Marek Chvatal scored a power-play goal with 8:35 to play from Joey Tenute and Drew Larnan. The Whalers tied the score 53 seconds later with Gino Pesellm getting a power-play goal from Ryan Ramsey and Mike Letizia.

But 42 seconds after that, Tenute gave the Sting the lead from Daniel Sisca.

Drew made 39 saves in goal for the Whalers while Ryan Munce stopped 30 shots.

The Whalers had 15 penalties on the game - including three five-minute majors for fighting. The Sting had the same, with a 10-minute misconduct thrown in for good measure.

On Wednesday, three first-period goals gave the Whalers the cushion they needed, and Drew's return to goal made certain they maintained it in a 4-1 win over the Windsor Spitfires at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

Windsor slipped to 10-13-1-3 (24 points), fourth in the West Division.

PLEASE SEE HOCKEY, B4



**GOLF**

FROM PAGE B1

went out and did it"

In addition to winning the Division I title, CC also won the regional as well as its first Catholic League A-B Division title under Hayes, after several years of coming close

Along the way the team set three school records and two course records Not surprisingly, five Shamrocks highlight our top two All-Area teams

One of them, Adam Hogue, is a repeat first-teamer along with Redford Thurston's Chris Sidor Two other members of the squad made the leap from the second to first team, with one newcomer from CC and state-qualifier Pat Shaw from Salem

Here's a look at the 2003 all-Observerland golf team

**FIRST TEAM**  
**Mike King Sr Redford CC:** King is the first of five CC golfers on the All Area team for good reason He was named first team All State was the medalist at the Catholic League meet with a 72 shot a 76 at the regional and 76 85 at the state meet  
 For the year King had a 37.8 9 hole scor

ing average and 75.2 for 18

He was an extremely hard worker because he didn't get to play in the state meet last year said Hayes Being a co captain his presence leadership and hard work were his biggest assets

**Jimmy Burns Sr Redford CC:** Burns set a team record during the year by never shooting above 39 in a dual meet He had a 72 at the Brighton invitational shot 77.79 in the East Lansing invitational had an 81 at the Catholic League meet and shot 75.85 at the state meet

It's his second trip to the all Observer team moving up from the second team last year

His hard work and leadership helped the team said Hayes He never gave up even when he had a lot of ups and downs He was always there as far as the team was concerned

**Chris Eliason Sr Redford CC:** Eliason was a second teamer last year and moved up this year He was sixth overall at the state meet shooting 72.84 had a 73 at the regional at Oak Pointe and set a course record at the same course earlier in the year with a 66

His 9 hole average was 38.3 and 75.9 for 18 holes He also shot a 79 at the Catholic League meet

He was a leader like Burns and King but he was the quietest of the three said Hayes He led by example knew what had to be done and did it

**Pat Shaw Sr Salem:** Best for last That's what Shaw did in his final prep season After spending much of last summer honing his game on the junior league he came into the fall and played well OK at least at first

He had five rounds in the 70s said his coach Rick Wilson He worked very hard on his game

It paid off in the end of the season tournaments At the Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament Shaw shot a 76 to earn all conference honors Then a week later at the Division I Regional Tournament he shot a 73 to qualify individually for the state tournament

For the season Shaw averaged 82.8 in 18 hole tournaments and 41.2 for 9 hole meets When it mattered most however he came through

**Adam Hogue So Redford CC:** Hogue is a repeat first teamer and an honorable mention All State pick He was second in the state finals among players whose teams participated at 77.82 shot 76 at the Catholic League meet 75 at the U D Invitational had a 71 in East Lansing and 74 in Brighton

He also had a 38 at Oakland Hills a 38.2 scoring average for nine holes and 76.7 for 18

He had some growing pains this year because of his growth spurt said Hayes His game had to catch up to it But he played big when it counted

**Chris Sidor, Sr Redford Thurston Sidor:** Sidor was also a repeat selection from last year He's a four time MVP for Thurston and was the medalist in 11 of his 13 dual meets

He was fourth at the Mega Blue meet with an 80 but with the dual meets figured in easily won the league individual title He also shot 74 at the regional meet and 77 at the Western Wayne meet averaging 76 for 18 holes and 37.3 for nine holes

He's been the star of this team ever since he got here said Thurston coach Brian

**2003 ALL OBSERVER BOYS GOLF TEAM**

**FIRST TEAM**

Mike King Sr Redford CC  
 Jimmy Burns Sr Redford CC  
 Chris Eliason Sr Redford CC  
 Pat Shaw Sr Salem  
 Adam Hogue So Redford CC  
 Chris Sidor Sr Redford Thurston

**SECOND TEAM**

Brad Schmitz Sr Liv Stevenson  
 Aaron Cheesman Sr Salem  
 Dave Denyer So Redford CC  
 Paul Sequin Jr Liv Franklin  
 Andrew Dodson Sr Garden City  
 Tommy Lucko Fr Liv Churchill

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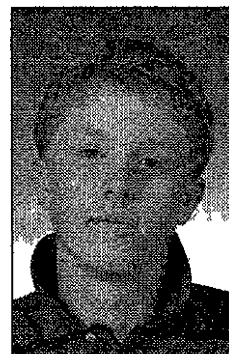
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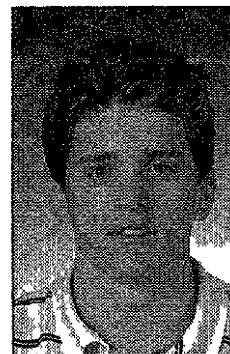
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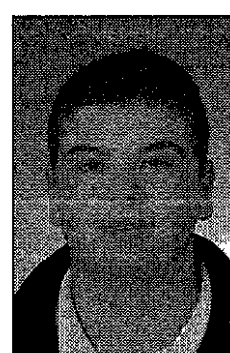
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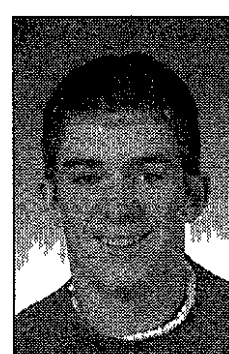
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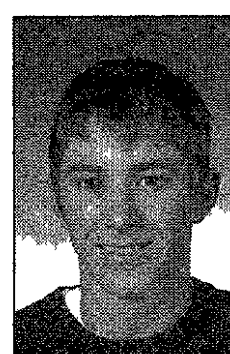
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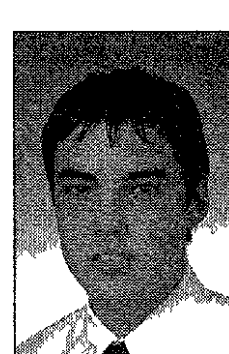
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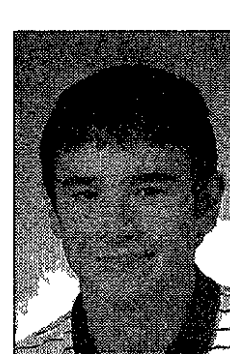
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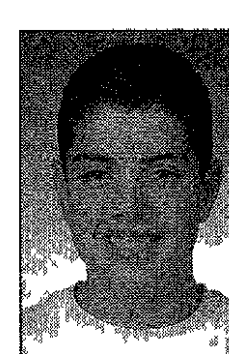
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Bedard Other teams knew who he was when we played them He's definitely the No 1 guy

**SECOND TEAM**  
**Brad Schmitz, Sr Liv Stevenson:** The three year varsity player capped off his senior year by making All Western Lakes with a 76 at Huron Meadows Schmitz averaged 39.2 for nine holes He also led the Spartans at the Oak Pointe regional with a 77 and also at Western Wayne Invitational at Huron Meadows with a 79 Brad had a solid season he was our medalist five times Stevenson coach John Wagner said This year he was our gun He's a good kid too

**Aaron Cheesman Sr Salem:** Cheesman has been an integral part of the Salem golf team for four years He provided the Rocks with the leadership expected of him

Cheesman paced Salem in both 9 hole and 18 hole averages in 9 hole duals, he averaged 39.6 strokes in 18 hole tournaments he averaged 79.3 strokes He finished second at the Riverview Tournament and shot a 73 at the WAAA Tournament to earn all-conference honors

**Dave Denyer So Redford CC:** Denyer had a solid season in his first year on the varsity He averaged 38 for nine holes and 77.1 in 18 hole matches He shot 79 at the Catholic League meet 80.86 at the state finals 73 at the regional at OakPointe 73.77 at the East Lansing tourney and 74 at the U D Invite He did exceptionally well considering it was his first year on the varsity said Hayes He was a different person once he got on the first tee He was all business and had a great year He was a joy to have on the team

**Paul Sequin Jr Liv Franklin:** The junior finished tied for sixth overall at the Western Lakes meet with a 76 to earn All Conference honors Averaging 39 per nine Sequin carded a school record 33 in a dual match He's certainly one of our top players this

year Franklin coach Steve Mato said He's a kid out there giving us 100 percent every time and playing with only one purpose to win

**Andrew Dodson Sr Garden City:** Dodson had a solid performance this year finishing as the Cougars MVP for the second of his three years on the team He's a two time All Mega select on averaged 40.6 for 9 hole matches and 82.6 for 18 holes as the Cougars won the White Division title He was our best golfer said GC coach

Ron Pummil He played solid golf in the summer and continued it throughout the season

**Tommy Lucko, Fr, Liv Churchill:** The ninth grader averaged 39.9 for nine holes to lead the Chargers Lucko took a third at the Pinckney Invitational held at Rush Lake Hills with a 74 He also shot a 77 at the Oak Pointe regional

Tommy played in every match and probably was one of the best freshman in the state Churchill coach Dave Higham said

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# VOLLEYBALL

FROM PAGE B1

Five players return from last year's squad including Abraham's niece, defensive specialist Amanda Suder (Salem), the team's only senior who is making her third nationals appearance and leads the team in digs (4.89 per game).

Also back is Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin), who ranks second in total digs (4.68 per game), Natalja Timna, the team's ace server and kills leader (4.89 per game), setter Ashley Frost, the assist leader (13.43 per game), Laura Lesko, third in kills (4.44 per game), and Caryn Inman, the team's leader in total blocks (156).

Also making the trip is Sharyse Bush, second in kills, Heather Spooner, Kelly Kosek and Becci Crane.

"Every year brings

**'Every year brings something different. I'm sure all the teams we've faced are better than when we saw them earlier in the season. They're all pretty tough.'**

Jerry Abraham  
Madonna volleyball coach

something different," Abraham said. "I'm sure all the teams we've faced are better than when we saw them earlier in the season. They're all pretty tough."

"You just have to get on a roll and get a few breaks. You have to get better as the tourney goes along and you've got to get hot."

MU should be at full strength when they begin play on Wednesday.

Pool Play continues Thursday with the Crusaders facing Spring Hill at 11:15 a.m. (PST) followed by another match at 8:15 p.m. (PST) against Georgetown.

The final pool play match is 11:15 a.m. Friday vs. No. 4 seed Dordt. The top two teams in each of the five pools advance the same day into the quarterfinals followed by the semifinals and finals on Saturday.

It comes down to three things, Abraham said, "passing, serve receive and block consistently. And what we have to do is continue our fast-attack style of play. That comes with good passes. We have to distribute the ball to different players."

Another key is that we have to block consistently to slow our opponent down. Our serve receive has been up-and-down, but if we serve-serve well, we have a good chance to attack from antennae to antennae. "And if we can do that we can be dangerous."

# MADONNA

FROM PAGE A1

serious coming into the game," Saginaw Valley State coach Dean Lockwood said. "We didn't play with the toughness like we have in past games. Giving up 47 points (in the first half) bothered us."

The Cardinals were out-rebounded 22-13 and just shot 11-of-34 (32.4 percent) from the field, while committing nine turnovers in their problematic first half.

One of four 3-point field goals by senior Tim Fralick, who finished with 17 points for Saginaw Valley, put the Cardinals up by nine points with 5:20 left.

Madonna (3-3 overall) got within six points of the Cardinal lead after a pair of Dan Kurtinat's free throws with 4:16 remaining.

Kurtinat, who scored a game-high 26 points, did his part in the second half by scoring 15 points while shooting 4-of-9 from the field, including a pair of 3-pointers. That would be the closest the Crusaders would come as the Cardinals got back on track with the emergence of Parker, who

scored a team-high 21 points. Senior Maurice Brown, meanwhile, added 14 points and 13 rebounds. The Cardinals also registered 10 second-chance points while shooting 13-for-25 (52 percent) from the foul line.

A two-handed dunk with 1:33 left by Williams put an exclamation point on the victory, putting the Cardinals ahead 80-70. "We came to life in the second half," said Lockwood, whose team outscored the Crusaders 48-27 in the second half. "It seems that we need to be in threatening situations to respond."

The Crusaders committed 12 turnovers in second half compared to only five in the first half, totaling 17 on the night. "We didn't maintain the ball or handle their pressure, they wore us down," Madonna coach Bernie Holowicki said. "We haven't yet learned how to close a game out. In each of our last six games every team as made a run at us in the second half."

Silenced in the first half by the Crusaders' troublesome 3-2 zone defense, the Cardinal offense had three players score in double figures in the second half with Williams leading the way with 13.

The Cardinals shot 9-for-19 (47 percent) from the three-point line on the night while the Crusaders made 9-of-21 (42.8 percent) from long range.

Coming off multiple screens and cuts to the basket, MU senior Noel Emehiser scored 16 points in the first half, but managed just six in the second. He finished the night with 22 points and six assists.

"The cylinders were firing in the first half," Emehiser said of MU's high-scoring first half. "Everyone got the open looks and really got going. We just need to carry that over into the second half."

Lack of depth remains the biggest problem facing Holowicki as the Crusader bench managed to score only six points.

"We need to get guys to come off the bench and play hard," the MU coach said. "We have guys that play a lot of minutes, they need a break. We're still looking for those two or three players to come out and play hard (off the bench)."

The Crusaders finished the game shooting 29-of-65 (44.6 percent) from the floor, while shooting 7-for-10 from the free throw line.

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 Saturday Dec. 6: Franklin Patriot Tourney 9 a.m. Hudson Invitational 9 a.m. Lake Orion Invitational 10 a.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL** (NAIA National Tournament at Point Loma Nazarene, Calif.)  
 Wednesday Dec. 3: Madonna vs. Lubbock Christ (Tex.) 4:30 p.m.  
 Thursday Dec. 4: Madonna vs. Spring Hill (Ala.) 4:30 p.m.  
 Friday Dec. 5: Madonna vs. Georgetown (Ky.) 11:15 p.m.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
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Riverview Richard at Plymouth (Arctic Edge) 6 p.m.  
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Schoolcraft vs. Olney (Ill.) 8 p.m.  
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 Wednesday Dec. 3: Bethel (Ind.) at Madonna 7 p.m.  
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**BLAZERS**

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inside players, 6-1 junior Kristen Morris and 6-1 junior Kerriann Laumber, both got into foul trouble, finishing with nine and six points, respectively.

But Ladywood's two other top scoring threats, 6-foot senior Stephanie Day and 5-11 junior Megan Szczycka, were each held scoreless.

'For some reason we came out timid instead of being assertive,' Ladywood coach Andrea Gorski said. 'It was surprising because I thought we'd come out with confidence. It's disappointing because they (Country Day) didn't do anything we hadn't seen or prepared for. We expected their half-court trap. We got baited into some long passes that we shouldn't have made.' Delahoussaye was the big reason for Country Day's early

surge. She feasted on Ladywood's miscues. "Tiera's explosive, the kind of player with good skills, an athlete who can run and shoot it a little bit," Orlando said. "She goes 100 percent all the time. She's into the game with her mind and she's a total team player. She's a big asset to our team." Delahoussaye's two other mates at guard, 5-7 junior Latisha Luckett (eight points) and 5-8 sophomore Adrena Walker (six points) also made

life miserable for the Blazers, who trailed 22-8 at halftime. "You can't turn the ball over 40 feet away from the basket and you can't let them get out and run," Gorski said of the Yellowjackets. "We wanted to let their guards beat us, and their guards ended up beating us." Ladywood was just 2-of-13 shooting from the floor in the first half and just 4-of-9 from the foul line.

**HOCKEY**

FROM PAGE B1

John Vigilante was the difference at the offensive

end of the ice. Vigilante assisted on the Whalers first goal, scored by Ramsay (Drew also assisted), then scored the second (from Wisniewski and John Mitchell).

Wisniewski, a Canton native, accounted for Plymouth's third goal, with assists from Mitchell and Vigilante. Jonas Fiedler got the Whalers final goal, on the power play at 7:20 of the third

period. Vaclav Meidl and David Liffiton assisted. Paul Gallonardo scored Windsor's only goal. Drew had 31 stops in goal for Plymouth. Kyle Knechtel had 22 saves for Windsor.

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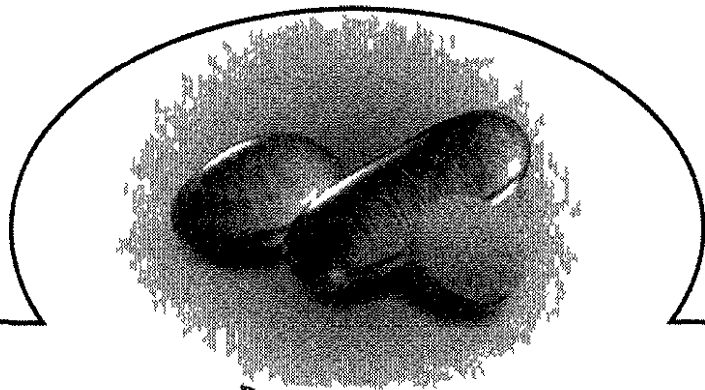
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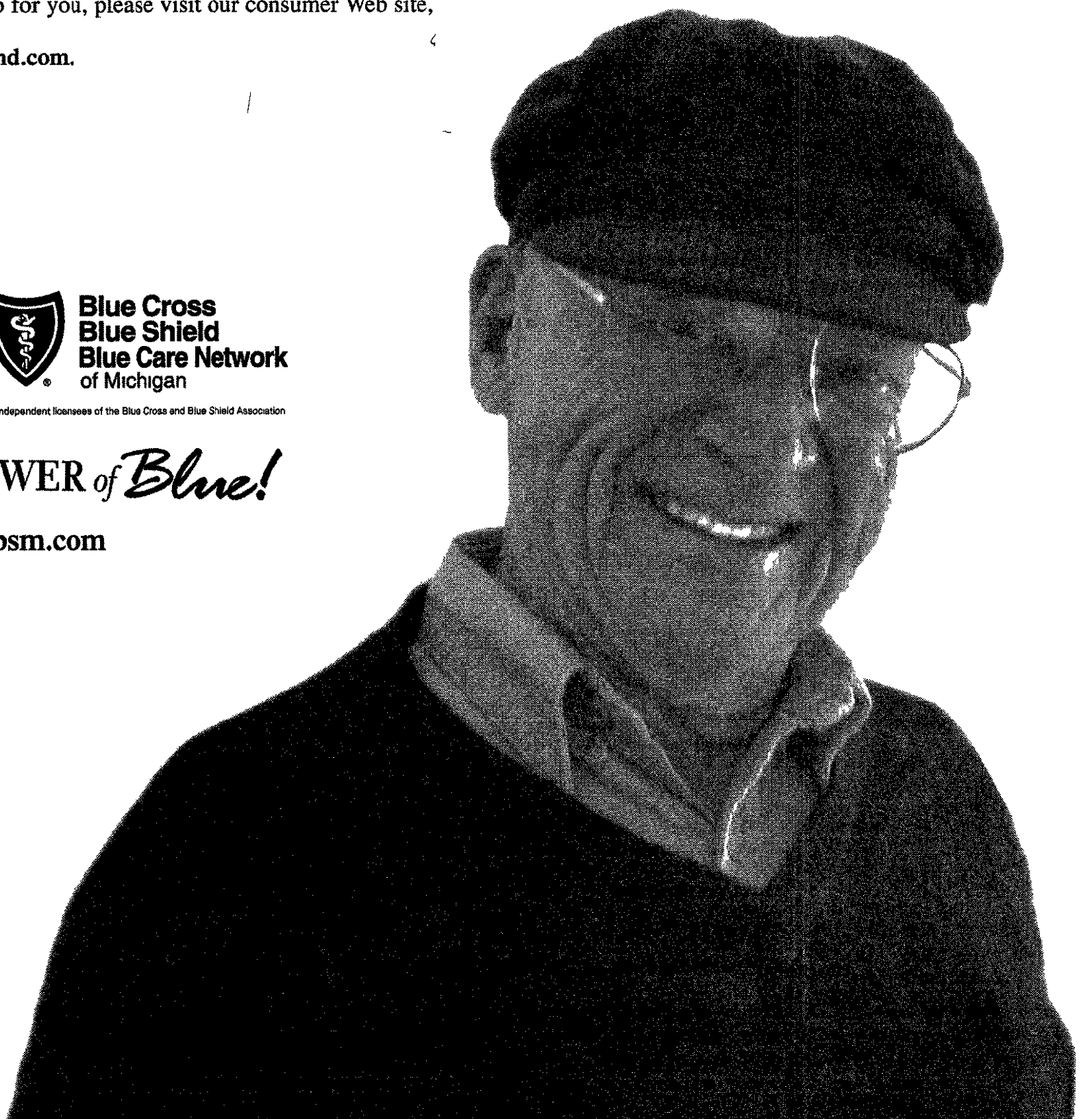


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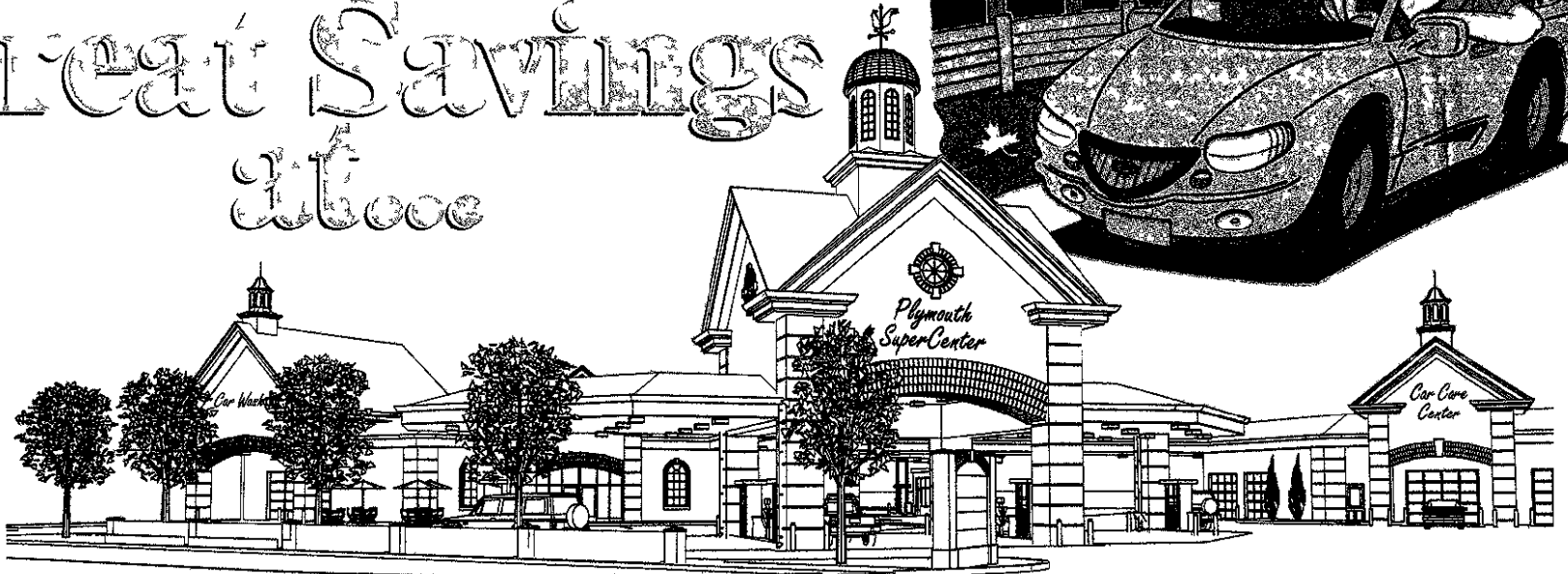
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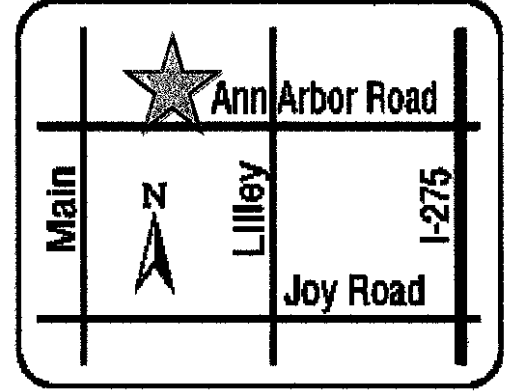


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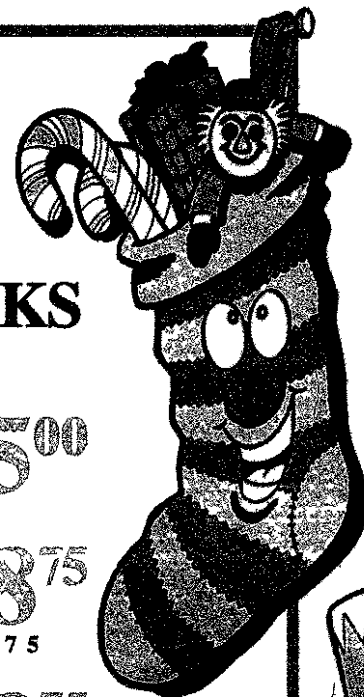
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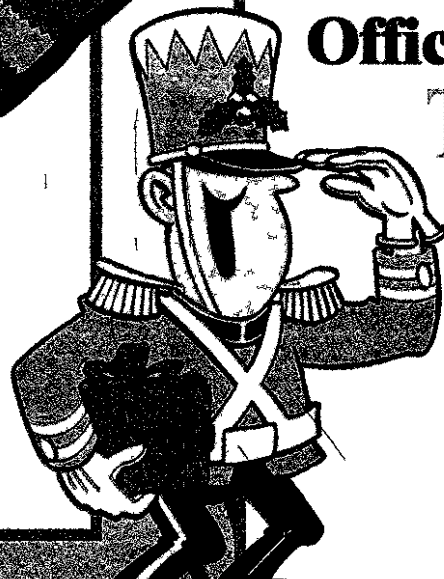
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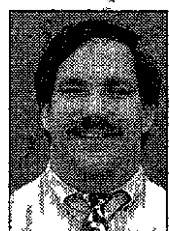
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Brad Kadrich

## Any chance of canning 'Spaces'?

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Dear Mr Hendricks,

You don't know me, but you're the one person in the country who can help me

Normally, I know this sort of problem would be directed to the leadership at The Learning Channel. However, they almost certainly won't be willing to do what is necessary to cure this headache for me, because the solution makes absolutely no sense from either a ratings or fiduciary point of view.

But it must be done, not only for my sake, but for that of husbands across America.

We need you to cancel *Trading Spaces*. Now, I know this would be a painful cut, considering *Trading Spaces*' popularity has helped spawn countless imitation shows, including your own *Trading Spaces Family*.

And I'm sure you would get objections from the home decorating lobby: ACO Hardware, Home Depot, JoAnne Fabrics and similar retailers would surely picket you. Not to mention my wife, Lisa, who would personally lead a protest rally.

But surely there's room for sympathy for husbands. After all, my family room has been painted three times — and we've only owned the house for 17 months.

Some of it is brought upon ourselves. For instance, the first time we painted the family room, Lisa didn't like it at first. I said, "Let's finish it and THEN judge." So we finished, she judged, and we repainted.

Twice. I've been to ACO so many times, I have my own red vest with a nametag. When we bought the paint for the bedroom, the guy mixing it heard me mutter, "I can't wait until they cancel *Trading Spaces*." The clerk, noting Lisa's pained look, allowed as how that probably wasn't going to happen anytime soon. However, he clearly wasn't a fan.

"I don't believe they can do all that work in two days," said the clerk, who spent 12 years as a commercial painter. "I think they have a lot more help than they show you on television."

I tend to agree with him, because I can't get an entire room painted in less than a day, much less sewing pillow cases, hanging luxurious draperies and building complex headboard projects.

It took me three weeks to get the little rubber thing across the bottom of my back door to keep the cold air out. Are you telling me Ty Pennington can really do half-a-dozen huge wood-working projects in less than two days?

Perhaps someday *Trading Spaces* will be out of fashion. My paint pans can only hope.

Brad Kadrich is community editor of the *Plymouth Observer* and a pained viewer of *Trading Spaces*. He can be reached via e-mail at bkadrich@oe homecomm net or by phone at (734) 459 2700.

## Keeping the heritage alive

### Jenny Lind helps Swedes stay in touch with their cultural roots

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

When Marie-Louise Capote was 12 years old, her mother presented her with a Sonja Heime doll. By her own admission, Capote was too old by then to be playing with dolls. But she was old enough to realize the significance of such a gift to a person of Swedish heritage.

The doll, now a collector's item, is a symbol for Capote, who recently joined (and became the publicity chair for) the Jenny Lind Society, an organization dedicated to perpetuating all things Swedish.

The group's meetings revolve around things Swedes find important, among them, according to Capote, cooking and music.

"I was raised that music is important," said Capote. "My dad did a lot of singing. I grew up believing if you're Swedish, you have to be musical."

The club is named after Jenny Lind, born in Stockholm in 1820, who became known as the "Swedish Nightingale." Lind made her formal operatic debut at age 17, and two years later was appointed Court Singer by King Karl XIV Johan.

She made her American debut in 1850, doing a 21-month tour that saw her perform 137 concerts in 37 cities under legendary showman P.T. Barnum. The majority of the proceeds from the tour went to charitable groups both in America and in Sweden.



Marie-Anne Halladay watches Lisa Klein light decorative candles before the meal begins.



Jenny Lind Club president Margareta Anden holds traditional Swedish holiday figures that were on sale at the club's recent smorgasbord in Farmington.

Now, Lind serves as the icon for the club named in her honor.

"She actually made her fame in this country," said club president Margareta Anden, a Swedish native who's lived in the United States more than 30 years.

"It was very befitting for the club to take her name. The club's focus is largely on things musical. For instance, the local club hands out two \$1,000 musical scholarships every year.

In addition, the club hosts a concert every June for the winner of the Jenny Lind Scholarship given out in Sweden. The winner, generally a woman going through operatic training, gets not only a stipend, but an American tour.

"That's one of the major things we do," Anden said. "The club is really to preserve the Swedish traditions, including art, food and music."

According to Anden, the Jenny Lind Club was the only one of its kind when it started some 70 years ago. Now, there are other organizations dedicated to the same cause, and the groups intertwine frequently at each other's functions.

For instance, the club hosted a smorgasbord earlier this month in Farmington. Next month, the club — along with Swedes everywhere — celebrates St. Lucia Day, named for, ironically, an Italian who Swedes feel is the symbol of light amid the darkness for Sweden.

According to information available on various Web sites, Lucia became a Christian after seeing her mother miraculously healed, then vowed to give the money that would have been her dowry to the poor.

While the reason an Italian woman is the symbol of light in a country that has been Lutheran is something of a mystery, one legend has Lucia bringing food to people who were dying of hunger during a famine. To this day, candles are lit all over Sweden for St. Lucia Day (Dec. 13) to bear light against the darkness.

The local club will recognize the day with a tradi-



Ebba Siomeana recites a poem by Swedish poet and scholar Victor Rydberg. The recitation is an annual tradition at the Jenny Lind Club.

tional Lucia Procession and a dinner dance, Capote said.

Today, 25 percent of the local club's membership was born and raised in Sweden, including Anden, the president.

"The others are either daughters, or they're married to husbands of Swedish descent," Anden explained. The Jenny Lind Club, in addition to the scholarships it hands out, performs a very important service for Swedes: It allows them to stay connected.

"When you're a first-generation immigrant, that's very difficult, because it's always tugging at you a little bit," Anden said. "When you're born here (in the U.S.), you really want to know about Sweden. Especially the kids, they want to know what it's like, what they do there. That's important when you're spread around the world."

For more information on the Jenny Lind Club, call Marie-Louise Capote at (734) 459 0596 or Margareta Anden at (248) 540 2653.

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## Kids learn safety lies in making smart choices

BY JONI HUBRED-GOLDEN  
STAFF WRITER

What do a local funeral home and a nationally recognized children's safety program have in common?

Affiliated with Dignity Memorial, a national network of funeral, crematory and cemetery services, R.G. and G.R. Harris Funeral Home is a local presenter for "Escape School," which teaches kids how to make smart choices, rather than react out of fear.

Tia Macklin and David Cash brought the program to Grandview Elementary in Livonia last Friday. They've made more than 50 presentations in communities. Harris Funeral Home serves.

"It's geared toward ages 6 to 12," Macklin said. "Any younger than that, they don't get it. Older than that, they think they're too cool for it."

Grandview students gave rapt attention to the presentation, which started as Macklin explained why a funeral home receptionist like her and a funeral director like Cash would be helping kids learn how to beat the odds with stranger abduction.

"We have families, too. We've seen the sad side of losing a child, and we want to prevent that any way we can," she said.

Students first watched a video featuring Escape School founder Bob Stuber. The school is based in Texas, but Dignity Memorial acquired the

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Bob Stuber  
Escape School founder

rights to bring the program to a nationwide audience.

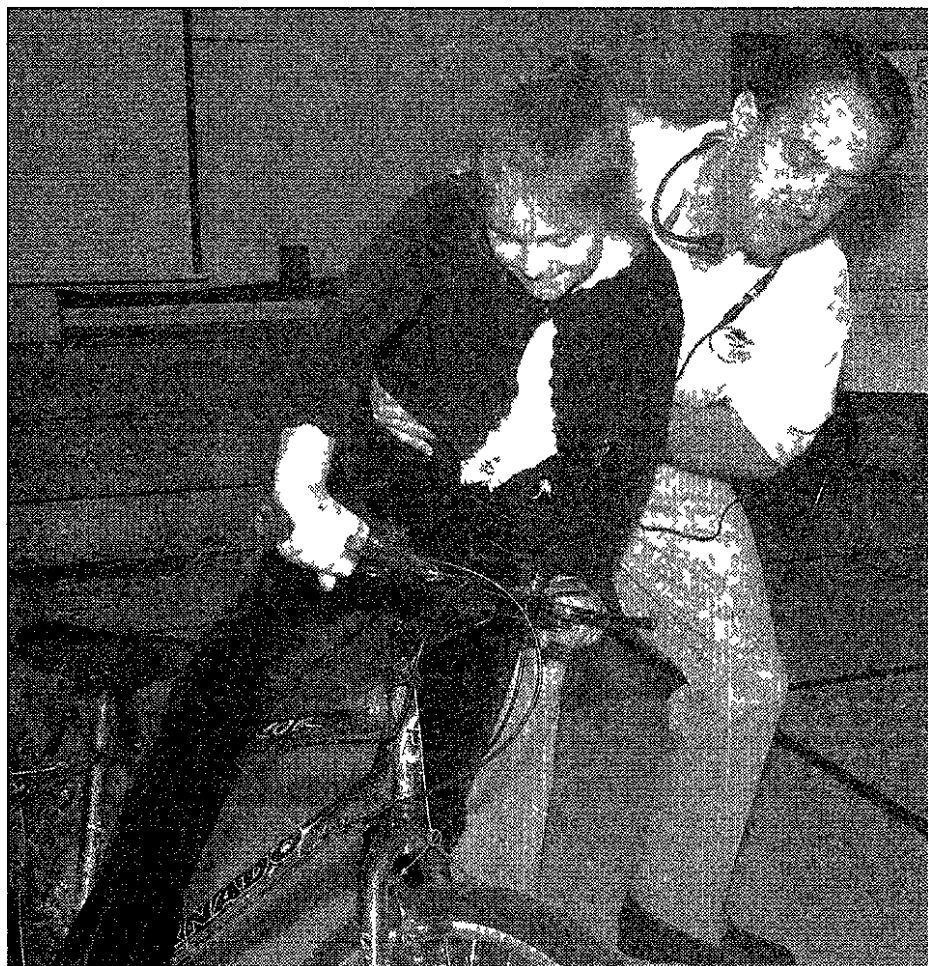
Stuber said the key to staying safe is to think smart, rather than let fear take over.

"When we're scared, we're predictable," he said. "The bad guy knows what we're going to do. When we make smart choices, we're in charge."

He said it's not possible to tell by someone's appearance whether he may be dangerous. A stranger, Stuber said, is an action, not an appearance.

He reminded children an adult should not be asking a child for directions. Nor should an adult ask a child to help search for a lost pet.

"It's a trick," Stuber said, pointing out several techniques to help children escape dangerous situations.



Fifth-grader Brittany Tailman demonstrates with David Cash how to prevent being taken away by a stranger by holding on to your bike and not letting go.

PLEASE SEE SAFETY, C4



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Millerwise-Shoemaker

Mark and Cheryl Millerwise of Westland announce the engagement of their daughter, Stephanie Demise, to Luke Lloyd Shoemaker of Canton, son of Benny and Dianne Shoemaker

Stephanie is a 2000 graduate of Churchill High School. She is a 2003 graduate of Schoolcraft College with a degree in nursing. She is employed at Westland Convalescent Center.

Luke is a 1998 graduate of Plymouth Canton High School. He is a 2003 graduate of Eastern Michigan University with a degree in business administration.

Luke and Stephanie are planning to wed October 20, 2004 in Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia.



Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church in Livonia.

Neikirk-Simms

Mr and Mrs Gerald Neikirk of Farmington Hills are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Neikirk, to Bernard Simms, son of Mary Simms of Middletown, Ohio.

The bride is a graduate of Harrison High School in Farmington Hills and of Central Michigan University with her bachelor of science degree in elementary education, special education. She also received her master's in early childhood special education from Wayne State University. She is currently employed in the Plymouth-Canton school district as an early childhood special education teacher.

The groom is a graduate of Madison High School in Middletown, Ohio, and of Bowling Green State University with his bachelor of science degree in education. He also received his master's of arts in education from Eastern



Michigan University. He is currently employed in the Birmingham Public Schools as a high school robotics and computer drafting instructor.

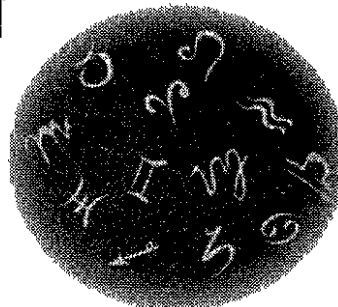
A July 10, 2004, wedding is planned at Antioch Lutheran Church in Farmington Hills with a reception at the Doubletree Hotel in Novi. They plan on residing in Berkley.

Horoscope



Star Struck!

(Nov 30-Dec 3)  
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Because the rather baleful planet Saturn dominates your horoscope heavens now you're bound to feel isolated, neglected, put down, rejected or rebuffed. Maybe you just need a jolt to make you realize that it's one thing to praise discipline and another to submit to it?

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Your main concern must be to overcome resentment - either on the home front or at work. Not an easy task, but current planetary activity signifies that a new format for the future must be agreed upon. The fine line between fantasy and reality is a bit blurry now.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Be careful who you antagonize during the next few days because the planets are giving the esoteric upper hand to Twin's rivals at the moment. No matter how many battles you've won in the past the only way you'll win is if you get along with everyone.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

You'll either begin a new love or an old love will burn more passionately than it has for quite some time. Lively planetary activity in the relationship sector of your chart means that you'll get along well with acquaintances, but affairs of the heart will bring you to life.

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

You'll feel on top of the world during the days ahead. No matter where you go or what you do, your positive astro attitude will also inspire others to feel good about themselves. Now is the time for going out and having fun - it's what you do best!

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

If you want to get ahead right now, you're going to have to learn to see people as allies rather than rivals. Watch your back by all means, kiddo, but don't become so preoccupied that you miss all the wonderful folks who are trying to attract your attention!

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

At some stage in the days ahead, you're going to have to decide whether or not to forgive someone who has let you down. The choice is yours to make, but don't let the situation drag on or go unresolved. Your astro aim should be to empty your anxiety closet now.

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

It would appear that you're too attached to something or some body and that you have an excessive fear of losing it. What happens in the next few days will teach you that the best way to hold on to what you value most is to handle it gently.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

Sudden changes are likely at this time, but they're changes that in the long run could end up working in your favor, so don't fight them. This could be one of those rare occasions when something that appears to be negative turns out to be positive.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

Don't get cosmically carried away and say so much without thinking now, because loved ones are unlikely to forgive your lack of discretion. Just because you think it's all a big joke doesn't mean that others will be laughing. Lighten up and open up your eyes!

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

Ignore the fights and feuds and fussiness that is taking place around you now and only focus on things that mean something to you. Don't push too hard, relax and retreat! What is meant to happen will happen when the time is right. Be patient a little longer.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)

Someone you either work or talk with is proposing certain changes now and if you're smart, you'll go along with them cheerfully. Currently, all planets indicate that you have nothing to fear financially. In fact, they'll make life easier and more profitable for you.

Dennis Fairchild is the Birmingham astrologer author of several books on divination. For personal astrological intuitive consult info call (248) 644-3555 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com

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The 2003 December Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will be held in the Conference Room, 2nd Floor, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI 48170.

The Board will review only the following types of appeals: Homestead, Corrections, Hardship Appeals, Clerical Errors and Mutual Mistakes of Fact.

No appointments are necessary.

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Sealed proposals for Streetscape Improvements along Ford Road within the City of Westland will be received by the City of Westland, Westland Downtown Development Authority until 3:00 p.m., December 08, 2003 at Westland City Hall, Offices of the Clerk, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan 48185. Sealed bids shall be taken to the City Council Chambers where they will be opened and read aloud at 3:15 p.m. No FAXed or unsealed bids will be accepted.

The project involves Site Development work for the Ford Road Streetscape project. Work shall include but not be limited to the following: demolition of existing pavement and curbs, earthwork, bituminous pavement, concrete pavement, concrete curb and gutters, brick pavers, masonry walls, electrical work, footings, underground irrigation system and landscaping.

Copies of the contract documents may be obtained beginning November 10, 2003 after 12:00 p.m. from the office of the Project Engineer, Beckett & Raeder Inc./BRI, Inc., 535 W. William St., Suite 101, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103 (734) 663-2622, upon making a payment to the City of Westland Downtown Development Authority of \$55.00. No plan deposits will be refunded.

Anticipated Construction Start Date	December 15, 2003
Substantial Completion Date	August 23, 2004
Final Completion Date	August 2006

Each bidder shall file a statement signed by, or on behalf of the person, firm, association, or corporation submitting the bid, certifying that such person, firm, association, or corporation has not, either directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in connection with the submitted bid.

A certified check or bid bond in the amount of five (5%) percent of the base bid must accompany each bid.

The Owner reserves the right to accept any proposal, reject any proposal and waive irregularities in proposals in conformance with the MDOT 2003 Interim Standard Specifications for Construction.

A pre-construction conference between the Contractor and Beckett & Raeder Inc. must be completed prior to the start of project construction to insure that the Contractor meets all federal regulations.

Construction shall be in accordance with MDOT 2003 Interim Standard Specifications for Construction and amended by supplemental specifications and provisions contained herein.

Funds from the Federal Highway Transportation program will partially fund this project. As a result, contractors and subcontractors are required to comply with Federal Labor Standard Provisions, Equal Opportunity Requirements and Davis Bacon Wage Requirements.

The prime contractor shall meet the requirements of MDOT prequalification combination joint 1,135 HU. A letter from MDOT must accompany each bid confirming that the Bidder is prequalified by MDOT as of the bid opening date.

Work by subcontractors shall not exceed 60% of the total contract.

No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after receipt of bids.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Venezia-Dibble**

Lloyd and Diane Dibble of Onsted (formerly of Canton) are proud to announce the marriage of their daughter, Anne Marie Dibble to John I Venezia, son of Domenic and Nancy Venezia of Braintree, Md.

The bride is a 1992 graduate and class president of Plymouth Canton High School, a 1996 magna cum laude graduate of Kalamazoo College, a 1999 graduate with a master's of public policy and master's of urban planning from the University of Michigan. She is currently employed by Quadel Consulting in Washington, D C.

The groom is a 1998 magna cum laude graduate of Duke University. He is currently

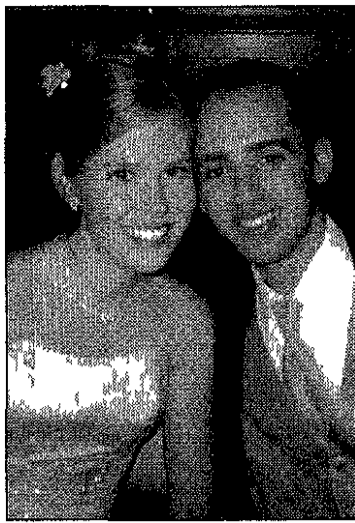
employed by ICF Consulting in Washington, D C.

The wedding took place on Nov 8, 2003, at Catonsville United Methodist Church in Maryland, officiated by the Rev Mark Waddell.

Attending the bride were maid of honor, Jana Shockling, and bridesmaids Lara Antczak-Clark and Dena Patterson.

Attending the groom were best man, Joe Venezia, and groomsmen, Neal Desai and Jeff Teater.

The reception was held at the historic Overhills Mansion in Catonsville, Maryland. They enjoyed a honeymoon trip to Hawaii and currently reside in Arlington, Va.



**Godfrey-Bodner**

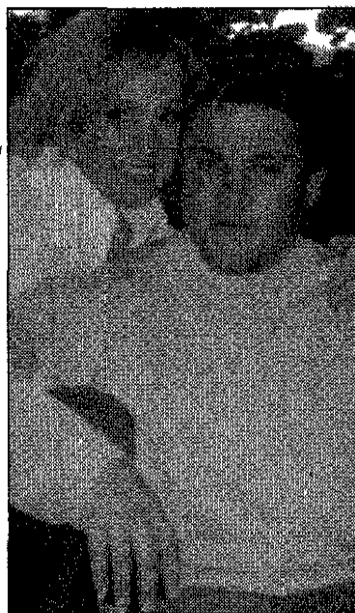
Bill Godfrey and Joan and Dick Corney of Plymouth are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Elizabeth Godfrey of Dearborn Heights, to Kevin Michael Bodner, son of Michael Bodner of Canton and Diana Bodner of Belleville.

Jennifer is a 1989 graduate of Crestwood High School and a 1993 graduate of the University of Nevada Las Vegas. She is

currently employed with Penton Publishing and sells advertising for a magazine titled *New Equipment Digest*.

Kevin is currently attending Lawrence Technological University, pursuing a mechanical engineering degree. He is currently employed as a testing engineer for Axle Alliance/Daimler Chrysler.

A Jan 25, 2004, wedding is planned in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada.



**CAMPUS NEWS**

**Lipscomb University**

Kelly Holmes of Canton has joined the Chi Club which is affiliated with the Delta Sigma Social Club according to Scott McDowell, associate provost for student development and dean of campus life. Because Lipscomb is a distinctively Christian University it does not offer a traditional Greek system of fraternities and sororities. Instead it offers social clubs which are chartered to promote the spiritual mission of the university while providing avenues for social development on campus.

**Kettering University**

The following students from Canton have been placed on the Dean's List at Kettering University for the summer 2003 semester: William Clark.

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**Student station offers radio course**

WSDP, 88.1FM, the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools' radio station, will offer an introduction to radio class through Community Education.

The class will be held 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays beginning Feb 5 and will run for five weeks (there will be no class the week

of Feb 26). It will be taught at the 88.1FM studios at Salem High School. Topics to be covered include radio formats, production, on-air announcing, radio dramas and promotions. Bill Keith, WSDP station manager, will teach the class. Brian Smith, Canton Senior, will provide assistance.

The class was first offered in 1996. Six students that have taken the class have joined the station's staff.

The class is limited to nine students. For information, call Community Education at (734) 416-2937.



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■ **The Velcro technique** If someone scares you, find another adult and stick like glue until he or she finds you help

■ **Windmill** While kicking and fighting when someone grabs you is predictable, simply rotating your arm in the direction of the person's thumb will break the hold

■ **Attract attention** Set off car alarms and find a place to hide near the car, so the car owner can be called for help

Stuber said children should run to a fire station, business or store close by if they find themselves being followed. If they're being followed by a car, they should run in the opposite direction, which provides lead time while the car turns around

Kids who find themselves in a car they shouldn't be in have a number of options for escape open the door and get out, jump in the driver's lap and honk the horn, jump to the floor and pull out wires underneath the dashboard

Macklin talked about a young girl who was placed in a car trunk and escaped by kicking out the tail light That technique draws additional attention to the car

She told students the Friday presentation was just the beginning, they could earn their Safety Pro certificate by going to www.escapeschool.com After completing a simple quiz, children can print out a certificate and take it to Harris Funeral Home to be laminated

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**MILITARY NEWS**

from the University of Michigan Ann Arbor

**Reported for Duty**

Navy Seaman Cassie M Pingston granddaughter of Larry Pingston of Canton recently reported for duty aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Gonzalez homeported in Norfolk Va Pingston is a 2002 graduate of Skyline High School of Longmont Colo and joined the Navy in 2002

**Deployment**

Army Reserve Staff Sgt Scott C Koskinen has deployed overseas to Kuwait and Iraq to support the missions of Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom The reservist is a member of the 946th Transportation Company based in Lewes Del Koskinen is a bulk petroleum transporter with 10 years of military service His parents are Clara E Parton of Canton and William C Koskinen of Red Oak Texas

**Cavalry Scout Advanced Training**

Erik A Nelsen has graduated from the Cavalry Scout Advanced Individual Training Course at Fort Knox Ky Nelsen is a 2002 graduate of Salem High School in Canton and is the son of Keith E Nelsen of Canton

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**STORAGE USA**

Notice is hereby given that on (December 15 2003), Tate & Co Auctioneers Executive Administrator for Storage USA will be offering for sale under the judicial lien process, by public auction, the following storage units The goods to be sold are generally described as household goods The terms of the sale will be cash only Storage USA reserves the right to refuse any and all bids The sale will be at the following location Storage USA 6729 CANTON CENTER RD CANTON MI 48187 AT 12 30 PM

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A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following

Z 03 01  
REZONING REQUEST FOR  
Change in Zoning, R-1 Single Family Residential to ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor  
(40 foot wide parcel, purchased from the school district)  
260 Ann Arbor Road  
APPLICANT Patrick Tortora Pilgrim Motorsports

LEGAL Part of lots 166 167 168 and 169 and part of the adjoining vacated alley, "Maple Croft Subdivision" City of Plymouth, Wayne County Michigan, as recorded in Liber 43 of Plats Page 78, Wayne County Records described as Commencing at the Center of Section 35, Town 1 South Range 8 East thence along the East West Quarter Line of Section 35 and the Centerline of Ann Arbor Road, Due West 891 82 feet, thence North 00 degrees 23 00" West 382 70 feet to the Point of Beginning, thence along the South Line of "Maple Croft Subdivision", South 89 degrees 55 00" West 150 00 feet thence North 0 degrees 23 00" West 40 00 feet, thence North 89 degrees 55 00" East 150 00 feet thence South 00 degrees 23 00" East 40 00 feet to the point of Beginning Contains 6,000 Square feet or 0 188 Acres

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SP 03 03  
Proposed Condominium Development  
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APPLICANT Crosswinds Development LLC

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SP 03 10 Gas/Convenience Store  
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APPLICANT Gallup Properties

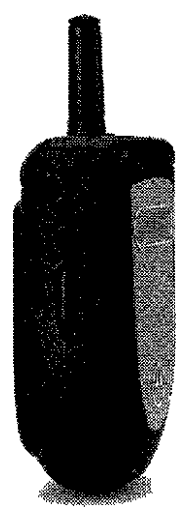
All interested persons are invited to attend

In accordance with the Americans with disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following

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## AROUND TOWN

**Handcrafters Arts and Crafts Show**

Twenty first annual show Dec 12-14 at Northville Hillside Recreation Center in Hillside Middle School Admission is \$2 and no baby strollers please Call (734) 459 0050 for further information

**Snowman Sing-A-Long**

Sing along with a snowman at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday Dec 10 at Great Harvest Bread located at 136 E. Main in Northville Call (248) 344 4404 for info

**Christmas Holiday Brunch**

Fox Hills presents a holiday brunch featuring foods from all around the globe Being held Sunday Dec 7 Seating from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The price is \$20.95 for adults and \$10.95 for children ages 3 thru 12

**Holiday Concert**

PCEP Bands will perform their Holiday Concert on Thursday Dec 4 at the Gloria Logan Theater located in Salem High School Four bands will perform a variety of holiday music Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and admission is free The community is welcome

**Holiday Cards**

The Ann Arbor Art Center will be selling seven different holiday cards to benefit the ArtMakers youth outreach program The cards feature holiday themes and were all designed by children at the Art Center For more information call (734) 994 8004

**Jazz Pianist**

Nationally renowned professional jazz pianist Sue Downs gives a free piano concert open to the public at Evola Music in Canton at 7 p.m. Wednesday Dec 3 Call (734) 455 4677 for further information

**Art Collage Workshop**

Three Cities Art Club presents a free workshop that will be fun for anyone who would like to participate in creating a collage The theme is "Dining Room Art" with Lisa Filar from 7-9 p.m. Monday Dec 1 at the Plymouth Township Municipal Building Call Marilyn at (248) 262 9711 for further info

**Musical Stage Show**

Christmas Bells are Ringing will be performed live on stage at the newly renovated Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville Performances are 7:30 p.m. Fridays Dec 5-12 and 19-7:30 p.m. Saturdays Dec 6-13 and 20 Tickets are \$12 seniors and students get in for \$10 For ticket information call (248) 349 8110

**Jewelry Festival**

Native West presents its annual Jewelry Festival Dec 4-7 A fantastic assortment of sterling silver using fabulous turquoise sparkling opals brilliant coral and glittering gold Call (734) 455 8838 for further info

**Preschool Open House**

Plymouth Children's Nursery located on

Sheldon in Canton is holding an Open House from 1-3 p.m. Saturday Jan 31 2004 The school agrees and warrants that it will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on grounds of race sex color religious creed or national origin Call (734) 455 6250 for further information

**Fish Fry**

The Plymouth VFW is again featuring Friday Night Fish Fry for only \$7 from 5-7:30 p.m. Also Sunday brunch is available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the third Sunday of the month The post is at 1426 S. Mill St

**Marquis Theatre**

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz will be performed at the newly renovated Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville through Jan 18 For ticket information or group rates call (248) 349 8110

**Holiday Greenery**

The Plymouth High School Pompon Squad is having a fund raiser of fresh cut holiday greenery for your homes businesses gravesites gifts etc To place an order please call (734) 455 4318

**Basic Skating**

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department offers classes through Dec 20 every level Each class is 25 minutes with additional 25 minutes of practice time at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena Call (734) 455 6620 Ext 304 for further information

**Crafters Wanted**

Annual craft show at Hawthorne Valley in Westland is looking for crafters for the Holiday show being held Sunday Nov 30 For information call Suzanne at (734) 844 3128

**Learn to Skate**

Roller skating or Rollerblading classes for November now forming for ages 4-12 at Skateland West Registration for winter inline hockey is Dec 7

**Teens Using Drugs**

A free two night series on identifying and helping teens harmfully involved with alcohol and other drugs Part 1 What to Know is presented 7:30-9 p.m. the first Tuesday of each month from October through June at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center Part 2 What to Do is presented the second Tuesday of each month October through June at same time and place Call (734) 973 7892 for information

**Foster Care**

Lutheran Social Services of Michigan is a foster care agency in the community that places children in loving foster homes The agency is in need of loving and stable homes committed to parenting children ages 10 to 17 years old Call (734) 971 5776 to find out how you can help

**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**

Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center is offering a



## Historical honor

State Rep. John Stewart (R-Plymouth Township) recently presented a special tribute signed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm to the Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., of Plymouth marking the group's 85th anniversary The group is an advocate for working women by working for equality of rights under the law, economic equity, health care and civil rights for women Stewart was a guest at a recent meeting and posed with club members (from left) Susan Pohoto, Connie Fitzner, Marilyn Alimpich, Marlene Danol and Joanne Delaney

Senior Special of 18 holes of golf any weekday Monday through Friday before noon The cost is \$25 with cart Offer good through Nov 30

**Entertainment books**

Plymouth Community Chorus is selling the 2004 Entertainment Books to help fund their musical scholarships and charitable activities They can be ordered by calling (734) 459 6829

**Inline Roller Hockey Leagues**

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

**Preschool Registration**

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

**Fish Fry**

Fox Hills Golf & Banquet Center is again hosting an All You Can Eat Friday night fish fry or pasta dinner at the Fox Classic Clubhouse from 5-9 p.m. The cost is \$8.75 per person

**Storytime**

Peggy Price Heiney presents a special story time for children ages 5-7 Stories creative dramatics and book selection round out this monthly session at the Plymouth Library Registration is required Call (734) 453 0750 for further information

**Plymouth Symphony**

Plymouth Symphony League is launching the 2004 Greater Detroit Area Entertainment Book Sale The cost is \$30 Place your order at the

Plymouth Symphony Office or call Mary Thomas at (734) 453 3016

**Recreation Registration**

The City of Plymouth is now taking registration for its classes for all ages Classes include gymnastics dance core body exercise tots jump-a-rama taekwondo personal development aerobics clogging senior trips and programs and much more Call (734) 455 6620 for more information

## CLUBS

**German/American Club of Plymouth**

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road

**American Legion**

Beasley Zalesny Post 112 meets at the 100 F Hall on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. All veterans that served during any of the wars are eligible Contact (734) 459 7324 for further information

**Woman's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth**

Meets every second Monday of each month from September to June excluding January Persons interested in joining contact club president Judy Krieman at (734) 459 1027

**Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club**

Looking for energetic new members to participate in community service projects This club meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Plymouth Salvation Army Building on Main Street The third Thursday is a dinner meeting with a speaker Call (734) 981 7259 for further info

## LBN

Local Business Network is a business networking organization dedicated to helping you grow your business The Plymouth chapter meets on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Old Village Law located at 771 N. Mill in Plymouth Please call Eric Morris at (313) 278 5070 or Scott Montgomery at (734) 462 2277 for further information

**Plymouth Optimists**

Entertainment 2004 Books on sale with all proceeds to help children throughout southeast Michigan Price is \$30 and is home delivered Call Bill at (734) 453 8253

**Kwanis Evening Club**

Meetings are held at Atlantis Restaurant 39500 E. Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday Visitors are always welcome For more information contact Charline Miller at (734) 455 4782

**Mothers & More**

The Wayne County chapter of Mothers & More meets twice a month in Plymouth Call (866) 841 9140 Ext. 4329 or visit Web site mother.sandmore63@onebox.com

**Exchange Club of Canton**

Meetings are the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at the Roman Forum 41601 Ford Road in Canton at 6 p.m. Areas of activity are Americanism Community Service Youth Activities and the Prevention of Child Abuse

**P/C Vietnam Vets of America**

Chapter No. 528 meets every second Monday of the month at the Plymouth VFW Post No. 6695 on Mill Street just north of Ann Arbor Road at 7:30 p.m. If you were a U.S. serviceman or woman and served between 1964 and 1975 you can join the Vietnam Vets Visit Web site www.geocities.com/tedenright/PlymouthCantonVA528.html

**BNI Plymouth II**

The Plymouth Chapter II BNI Group meets Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at Denny's Restaurant located at 1275 and Ann Arbor Road The group is looking for new members Call (734) 459 5696 for further information

**West Suburban Stamp Club**

Meetings are 8 p.m. the first and third Fridays at the Plymouth Historical Museum 155 S. Main in Plymouth.

**BPW**

The Plymouth Business and Professional Women's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Atlantis Restaurant on Ann Arbor Road Guests are welcome For more information and dinner reservations contact Mary Brooks at (734) 420 0320

**SEPA**

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

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## Rx briefs

### Center opens

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For more information, call (734) 523-1070, or visit [henryford.com/eyes](http://henryford.com/eyes)

## Healthy eating and travel go hand in hand at airport

Travelers don't have to forgo a healthy diet when flying out of Detroit's Metropolitan Airport thanks to a joint venture between Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute and the Wayne County Airport Authority.

Grilled chicken breast, almond rice salad with fewer almonds and less fat, and beef kabobs are among 50 items available at 13 of the restaurants now offering Heart Smart choices in the McNamara Terminal.

Dietitian Jeanne Stevenson worked with chefs to lower fat, saturated fat, cholesterol and sodium in recipes. Stevenson sees the effects of a poor diet every day at the Institute, where she teaches patients in the cardiac rehab program about nutrition. In keeping with American Heart Association guidelines, items qualified for a Heart Smart designation based on a 2000-calorie-a-day diet. Heart Smart logos have been placed on menus to show they meet Institute criteria.

"I made suggestions to qualify as Heart Smart, if they offered salad dressing to put it on the side," said Stevenson, who educates patients at Institute locations in Detroit and Livonia, and formerly West Bloomfield. Some restaurants were really interested in making changes, like the Mediterranean Grill, who were more than willing to offer falafel baked instead of fried. Some were low in fat, low in saturated fat and cholesterol, but sodium was above the Heart Smart recommendation, so we gave them a special designation: Heart Smart plus sodium. Some people may not be as concerned about sodium or may adjust their intake the rest of the day.

Developed by the Institute in 1986, Heart Smart is a nutrition education program designed to help individuals reduce their risk of cardiovascular disease. Stevenson stresses the importance of eating healthy every day, not just during travel. She offers several Heart Smart tips for eating at any restaurant or



Jeanne Stevenson (center) tries some of the Heart Smart dishes available at Mediterranean Grill in the McNamara Terminal at Detroit Metropolitan Airport. The Henry Ford Heart and Vascular Institute dietitian worked with restaurant manager Ric Frievald (left) and owner Andrea Hashem (right) to adjust recipes so they meet American Heart Association guidelines.

at home.

Ask wait staff about how selections are prepared. Instead of fried, ask for it to be baked, broiled or grilled. If a menu item comes with sauce or gravy, order it on the side so you can decide how much to put on, the same with salad dressing.

In addition to the 13 participating restaurants at the airport, Chili's Too offers low-fat Guiltless Grill items. Franchises such as Taco Bell and Burger King offer health-conscious selections as well.

The trademark Heart Smart logo can be found next to heart-healthy food items at the Detroit Renaissance Center Food Court and on menus at local grocery stores. Stevenson is presently working

with Aunt Mid's produce company to evaluate recipes on the back of spinach and Yukon gold potatoes packages to be prepared at home.

"Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of men and women in this country," said Stevenson. Some risk factors are not controllable, for example, family history, some are - like a healthy diet.


"A lot of times portion sizes are larger than what we would normally recommend. There's sometimes enough to feed three or four people. Reduce portions or consider sharing an entree or take some home and skip condiments like mayonnaise, cheese and salad dressing. You don't always have to skip dessert, but you might consider sharing, not eat the

1600 calories worth of carrot cake yourself.

"Sometimes when people deny themselves, they start craving things, where if they allow themselves a small portion once in a while it won't be such a big thing. Eat everything in moderation, and the recommended 5-9 servings of fruits and vegetables a day. At the Institute, Stevenson teaches patients to make Heart Smart pumpkin and sweet potato pie using evaporated skim milk, egg white instead of whole egg, and graham cracker in place of traditional crust.

With all of the holiday parties in the coming weeks, you might want to consid-

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# Aiding student health: Tips on how to wear backpacks

Young children are suffering from back pain much earlier than previous generations, and the use of overweight backpacks is a contributing factor. The Consumer Product Safety Commission cites more than 6,500 injuries in the year 2000 as a result of the use of heavy book bags and carriers.

According to the American Chiropractic Association, two recent studies reinforce the need for public education on the proper use of backpacks. The first study, published in the May 2003 issue of the journal *Spine*, found that the use of backpacks during the school day - and the weights of the backpacks - associated with back pain. A second study, presented by researcher Dr. Heidi Orloff at a May 28 meeting of the American College of Sports Medicine in San Francisco, concluded that children actually hunch their bodies forward and lower their heads to accommodate the burden of wearing heavy backpacks.

"Most school-age children carry backpack loads that are too heavy for their bodies. This can negatively impact a child's body during the developing years, resulting in harmful physical effects that can last a lifetime," said Dr. Jennifer Turnbull, a chiropractor and director of the Birmingham Wellness Center, a holistic wellness and chiropractic center located in Birmingham, offering chiropractic, massage, applied kinesiology and nutritional counseling.

"There has been an alarming increase in the number of young children complaining about back, neck and shoulder pain. The culprit, almost always is that they carry a backpack to school."

What can a parent do? Dr. Turnbull offers nine tips to help prevent the needless pain that backpack misuse could cause the students in your household.

- Make sure your child's backpack weighs no more than 5 to 10 percent of his or her body weight. A heavier backpack will cause your child to bend forward in an attempt to support the weight on his or her back.

- The backpack should never hang more than four inches below the waistline. A backpack that hangs too low increases the weight on the shoulders, causing your child to lean forward when walking.

- A backpack with individualized compartments helps in positioning the contents most effectively. Make sure that pointy or bulky objects are packed away from the area that will rest on your child's back.

- Bigger is not necessarily better. The more room there is in a backpack, the more your child will carry - and the heavier the backpack will be.

- Urge your child to wear both shoulder straps. Lugging the backpack around by one

strap can cause the disproportionate shift of weight to one side, leading to neck and muscle spasms, as well as low-back pain.

- Wide, padded straps are very important. Non-padded straps are uncomfortable, and can dig into your child's shoulders.

- The shoulder straps should be adjustable so the backpack can be fitted to your child's body. Straps that are too loose can cause the backpack to dangle uncomfortably and cause spinal problems.

- Observe your child's posture. If the child leans forward while walking, takes shorter strides while walking or uses his or her hands to protect the shoulders from the straps, it is an indication the backpack is too heavy.

- If the backpack is too heavy, talk to your child's teacher. Ask if your child could leave the heaviest books at school, and bring home only lighter hand-out materials or workbooks.

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### NOVEMBER

#### Conditioning for skiing

Learn how to get in shape for skiing at a community education program 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4 at Oakland Physical Therapy 47601 Grand River at Beck. Suite B124 in the Providence Park Medical Center. Novi. Participants should use the northeast entrance. No charge. Space is limited. RSVP to (248) 380-3550. Frank Kava, M.S., P.T. will identify common musculoskeletal weaknesses in skiers, demonstrate proper stretching techniques for muscles important in skiing and proper exercises to strengthen key muscles used for skiing.

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#### Volunteers wanted

SandCastles, a grief support program for children, teens and their families, offered through the Hospices of Henry Ford Health System, seeks volunteers for its sites in Southfield, Rochester, Clinton Township, Detroit, St. Clair Shores and Downriver. SandCastles provides a supportive environment for children and teens ages 3-18 and their families who have experienced the death of a loved one. The free meetings are held bi-weekly, and families are encouraged to participate for as long as they need support for grief.

To register for training or for more information, call (313) 874-6881.

#### Fitness classes

Botsford Center for Health Improvement in Novi is offering exercise programs to people with chronic diseases and disorders such as osteoporosis, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis or other chronic illness. Ongoing classes include Bones in Motion, a program of monitored exercise and nutrition counseling to promote bone health for people with osteoporosis, and Kinetics, a low intensity program to increase flexibility and strength for those with musculoskeletal or endurance limitations. Exercises are performed while in standing, sitting or lying positions. For more information, call (248) 473-5600.

#### Red Cross safety courses

Continue with CPR/Standard first aid with AED (automated external defibrillation) and Infant/Child CPR at the Livonia Service Center 36650 Five Mile. Among the offerings are CPR review, CPR for the professional rescuer (and review), First aid/CPR/AED instructor and nurse assistant training. Costs vary. For more information, call (734) 542-0442 or visit [www.sem.redcross.org](http://www.sem.redcross.org).

#### Therapeutic group

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### ONGOING

#### Alliance for the Mentally Ill

The Wayne/Westland chapter, a self-help and advocacy group for relatives and friends of the mentally ill, meets 7 p.m. the first and third Thursday of the month at the Red Apple Restaurant 32711 Michigan Avenue at Venoy Westland. For more information, call (313) 562-

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#### CFS/Fibromyalgia Support Group

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#### Self-help groups

Anyone seeking information on a variety of self-help groups may visit the Michigan Self-Help Clearing House at the Michigan Protection Advocacy Service Web site [www.mpas.org](http://www.mpas.org). If you have a disability rights issue, contact the MPAS at (800) 288-5923.

#### Medicare counseling

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## DINING

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er bringing a fruit tray or vegetables with low fat dip so there's a healthy option. At restaurants, be careful of the bread basket. One or two pieces is OK. Ordering a second basket is a no-no.

"Try to skip the butter," said Stevenson. "You're probably going to get a lot of fat in your meal anyway."

"If you're going to a dinner party, make sure you don't skip meals so it's hard to make choices. Have a piece of fruit or snack. I usually tell people try not to go starving."

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If these investigations failed to reveal a cause, then the attending physician calls in the arthritis specialist. The reason is that conditions classified as vasculitis can cause daily fever, weight loss, fatigue, and a generalized aching. It may take the knowledge and experience of an arthritis specialist to uncover that a vasculitis is present. Or when doctors believe a vasculitis is the cause, to have the arthritis specialist confirm that diagnosis.

Being clear on vasculitis as the cause of fever and illness is important because of the treatment needed. Since resolving vasculitis requires high doses of cortisone over a long period of time, doctors want to be sure the diagnosis is correct. Such medicine puts the elderly at risk for infection, heart attack and fractures.

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Dearborn Ballet Theatre members Megan Morrison (left) Chris Coffee Casey Quinn and Molly Shelton perform with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra Saturday Dec 6



## United Way raises \$64 million in '03 Torch Drive

United Way Community Services has announced that it raised \$64,257,747 for the 2003 Torch Drive, which include funds raised for New Detroit Inc and the joint campaign with United Way of Oakland County. The results were reported to an audience of nearly 800 guests at United Way's Victory Celebration in Dearborn. "This has been a very challenging year," said Nick Scheele, president and COO, Ford Motor Co. and chair of the 2003 Torch Drive. In times of challenge, the determina-

tion of the human spirit shines. This campaign is a great example of people rolling up their sleeves to help, never losing focus of what they were doing and why they were doing it, no matter how difficult. Our campaign theme, Change Matters, represents the positive change that's created when everyone pulls together for a common goal - to serve the people of metro Detroit." Scheele said that the \$70 million goal was a stretch, but felt the campaign team needed to set its sights high to meet the increased community needs.

Although this is the close of the campaign, there are company campaigns under way and others that haven't yet started. In addition, proceeds from United Way's second Ticket to Ride Auto Raffle will also benefit the 2003 Torch Drive. Companies whose corporate and employee gifts total more than a million dollars as of Nov 21 were recognized for their generosity. They include Comerica Inc, DaimlerChrysler Corp, DTE Energy, Ford Motor Co, General Motors Corp, Lear Corp and Visteon Automotive.

## Livonia Symphony 'Nutcracker' family affair

Meghan O'Connell can't wait to put on her green tutu, red false eyelashes and pointe shoes to become the Ballerina Doll in "The Nutcracker Ballet" presented by the Livonia Symphony Orchestra and Dearborn Ballet Theatre Saturday, Dec 6, at Churchill High School.

It's a moment the Plymouth dancer began dreaming about four years ago when she was playing one of the younger Baby Dolls. Finally at age 13, O'Connell's dancing the role on toe. But almost as important is the fact she's performing with sisters Ashley, 9, and Caitlin, 16, and father Tom Ashley makes several entrances as a soldier, angel, and clown, Caitlin as a snowflake. Caitlin also dances the Arabian and Waltz of the Flowers. Tom is a natural in his role as one of the parents.

"It's fun and it's easy because dad drives us to the practice," said O'Connell, an eighth grade student at Divine Child School in Dearborn where she's also student council president.

"The Nutcracker" has always appealed to families with its timeless story of dolls coming to life. It makes children of all ages want to put on colorful costumes and dance to the memorable music Tchaikovsky wrote in 1892.

"I never tire of the music or performance and apparently neither does our audience," said Livonia Symphony president Robert Bennett.

"This year will be no exception when the Dearborn Ballet Theatre takes to the stage with guest dancers Kara Wilkes as the Sugar Plum, and Chris Fellows as Snow King. Both are members of the Milwaukee Ballet. Lance Lardin, who's performed with Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre and North Carolina Dance Theatre, is the Cavalier. Lane's son Corey Padesky returns from Florida as the Mouse King.

"It's the 25th anniversary of the ballet company," said Lori Lane, Dearborn Ballet Theatre's artistic director. "We have new costumes for the snowflake and flutes, and the Spanish dance is a completely revised version. The guest dancers want to come and do performances. They feel we're very professional. They call me in the middle of August, dying to do it."

The Nutcracker Ballet begins at 7:30 p.m. Saturday (box office opens at 6:15 p.m.) at Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh north of Joy. Livonia tickets are \$17-\$8. Students and children and may be purchased at all three Livonia libraries through Ticketmaster outlets or by phone at (248) 645-6666 and at the door before the performance. For more information call (734) 425-4855.

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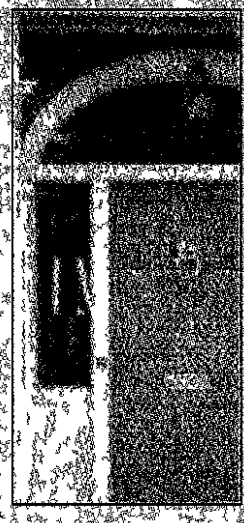
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(MS) - You may not know what ice dams are, but they cost the public millions of dollars each year. Ice dams form when warmth from inside a home causes snow on the roof to melt and trickle to the roof's edge, where it refreezes, blocking gutters and drains. Since water cannot flow over the built-up ice, it seeps into the home under the shingles, often causing extensive damage to the roof decking and a home's interior - particularly ceilings, walls, interior carpets and flooring.

Fortunately, there are things that you can do to protect your home.

"If your house is susceptible to ice dams, the best time to take action is now," says Bill Mullaney, senior vice president of customer service and claims for MetLife Auto & Home. "During the early spring, we routinely

see hundreds of claims caused by ice dams. An ounce of prevention during the warmer months can help keep things from snowballing out of control during the cooler ones." Here are some tips to consider:

### KEEP GUTTERS CLEAR

Keep all gutters and downspouts clear. Be sure that sticks and debris are removed from your home's gutters and downspouts. During the winter, periodically check their condition, removing any snow or icicles that accumulate.

Give your roof an overcoat. The most effective way to eliminate ice dams is to stop snowmelt by making the roof colder. This can be achieved by insulating the floor of the attic and under the roof, and by blocking all crevices where warm

air from the interior can rise into the attic.

Identify water entry points within the home. You may wish to contact a contractor to locate these entry points and take the appropriate actions to create a waterproof barrier.

Once winter has arrived, there are still ways to prevent an ice dam or to minimize the effects if one has already occurred. After a snowfall, consider the following:

If possible, keep snow off the roof with a snow rake. Use a roof rake or push broom to reduce the amount of snow that could melt. Do not climb on the roof to clear the snow as serious injury may result. Also, be cautious of electrical wires.

To melt the ice, bring new life to an old set of legs. Placing old nylon stock-

ings filled with snowmelt over an ice dam is an effective way to melt the dam and create a channel for the water to run off. Be certain to lay the stockings perpendicular to the gutter near the edge of the roof.

In an emergency situation, where water is seeping into the house, notify a professional contractor at once.

Although other temporary solutions do exist, it's a good idea to leave the work to the professionals. In the meantime, it's possible to capture entering water before it causes significant damage by placing a bucket under the leak.

For additional information on how to forestall future problems, MetLife Auto & Home offers a free brochure, *Protecting Your Home Against Damage From Freezing Weather*, by calling (800) 638-5433.

## The holidays are happier when they're spent in a safe house

BY SAMANTHA CRITCHELL  
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

One of the best ways to ensure holiday gatherings are a success is to make sure everyone remains happy, healthy and safe.

Hosts go to great lengths to spruce up their homes, feed relatives delicious meals and give guests warm welcomes. But, while intentions are good, often when people open their doors to guests, they also open a path to potential dangers. "The holidays are so hectic, you need to make adjustments before your guests come," said Meri-K Appy, president of the Home Safety Council. "Otherwise, an injury can totally ruin a holiday."

Children and seniors are dis-

proportionately affected by home injuries and being in unfamiliar territory only compounds the problem. Grandparents or other older relatives, though, might be embarrassed if they are seen as having special needs so it might be best to characterize any safety checks or changes as general household improvements, Appy said.

Each room of the house should be examined from the perspective of each guest - and that might mean crawling on the floor looking for sharp table corners if a toddler will be around.

Parents also need to do this walkthrough when they are the visitors, Appy says, no matter how uncomfortable it might be to ask a host for permission to

basically snoop through every room of the home. Surely everyone would appreciate someone stopping an accident before it happened, she added.

### SUPERVISE LITTLE ONES

"With little ones, it's supervision, supervision, supervision. You are the one-between a child and grave danger," she said.

According to the safety council's recent study "The State of Home Safety in America," 5.6 million people are hurt each year in slips and falls within the home.

If everyone either picked up throw rugs or used adhesive to hold them down, and if they cleaned the clutter away from walkways and stairs, that number would probably fall signifi-

cantly, Appy said.

Other ways to reduce the risk of falls are:

- Put handrails on both sides of stairwells
- Improve lighting. Also keep flashlights on the bedside tables in all bedrooms
- Put a nonslip mat or adhesive decals inside bathtubs and showers. And, since bathroom floors can be slippery, provide guests with rubber-sole flip-flops or slippers
- Make sure window guards are installed to keep youngsters from leaning too far out
- Use belts on high chairs and changing tables
- Put up baby gates at the top and bottom of the stairwells. Appy also noted that December is the peak time for candle fires.

### FIRES

"You can never trust a candle. I love them, they are beautiful, and it's OK to love them but don't leave the room if they're lit," she said. People usually are very aware about the potential fire hazard a Christmas tree poses, Appy noted, but, statistically, a fire caused by an "everyday" hazard such as a candle or a pot on the stove is more likely.

She urges parents to treat matches and lighters like guns. Keep them under lock and key, not in mom's purse or next to dad's tools in the garage.

Families already should have in place an evacuation plan - and they should share it with all guests. Existing plans,

which should include two exit routes and a place to meet outside the home to make sure everyone is accounted for, might need to be adjusted to accommodate visiting children and seniors who may be in need of assistance.

Burns are a risk - even when there isn't a fire. Hot drinks placed precariously on table edges coupled with children racing around tables create a hazard, said Appy, whose easy solution is to put coffee and tea in travel mugs.

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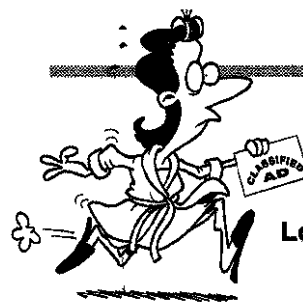
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The interior of this 2,131 square foot home is open and easily accessible. On the left of the entry is a vaulted dining room with four bay windows. A direct view of the living room can be seen from this room. The living room has a corner fireplace with beautiful French doors opening onto the patio in the rear. A big window, in the rear along with the doors, brings lots of sunlight into this area.

## KITCHEN

An eating bar separates the living room from the kitchen. A Lazy Susan, next to the microwave, makes stored items easier to reach. There's an island in the center of the kitchen opposite the range/oven and dishwasher. Over the double sink is a huge



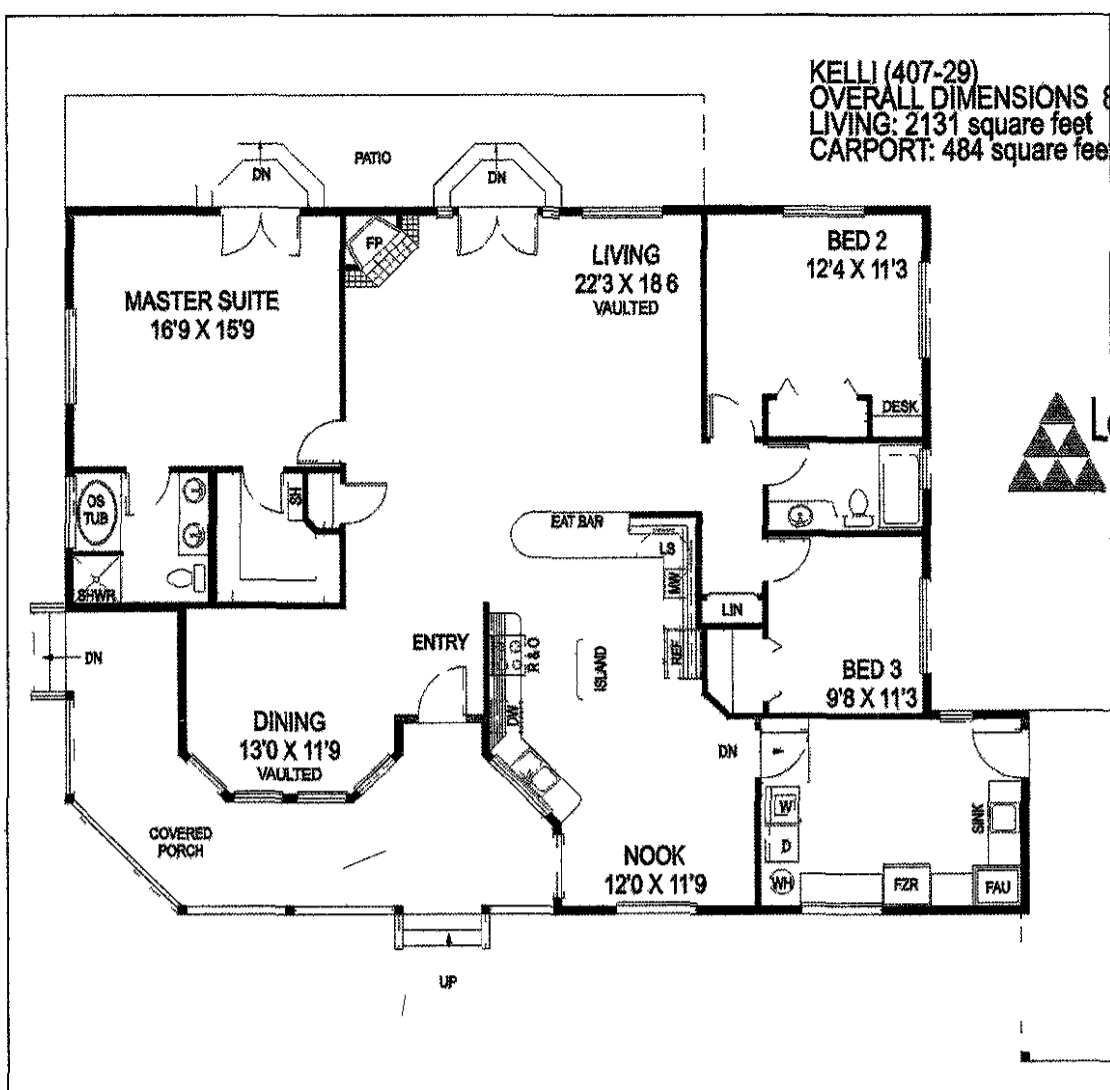
window with a view of the front yard. The nook also faces the front and is surrounded by windows.

Off the nook is an enormous utility room. It has a washer/dryer, freezer, water heater, forced air unit, sink, and counter space for folding clothes. A door opens into the carport from here.

The right side of the Kelli has two bedrooms, each with large windows and wall closets. Bedroom 2 has a built-in desk. The bathroom with a tub is situated between the two rooms. On the opposite side of this home is the master suite. It has a large main suite area with French doors opening onto the rear patio. Side-by-side are the walk-in closet and master bath.

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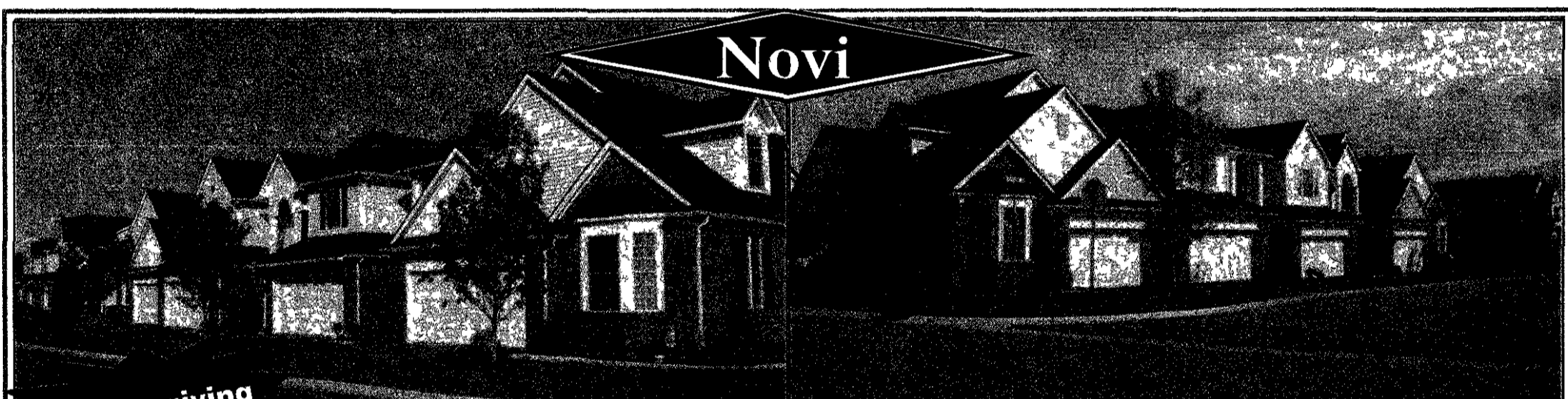
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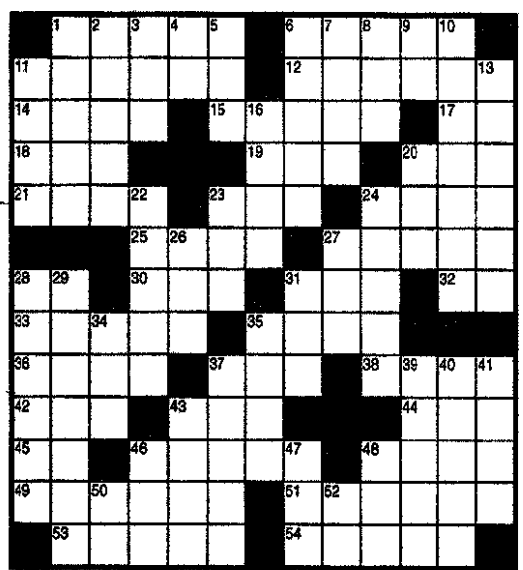
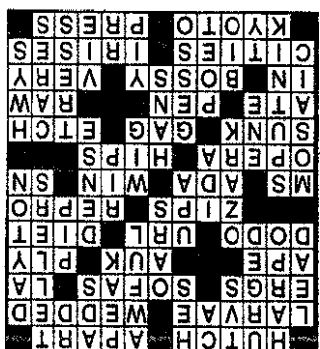




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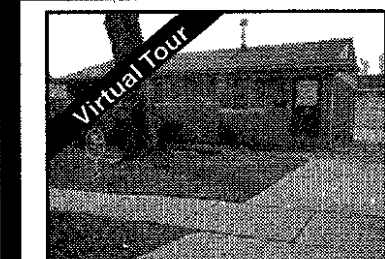
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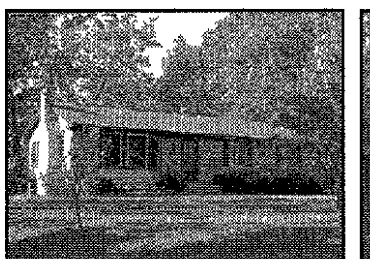
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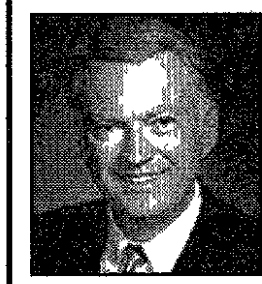
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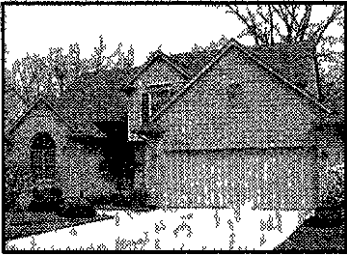
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**WOODED VIEWS** Well built 2 year old brick 2 story home w/almost every option 5 bedrooms 3.5 baths sunroom large dream kitchen 2 story fieldstone fireplace enlarged family room & 2 level deck 3 car garage 6 whirlpool alarm system sky lights central air basement & much more \$859 900 (99ABE) 248 349 5600



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**TROY** Outstanding custom split level in mint condition and neutral thruout Oak island kitchen library with French doors first floor master suite finished basement and a wooded lot Great room with gas fireplace Elegant yet warm \$394 990 (44GAT) 248 524-1600



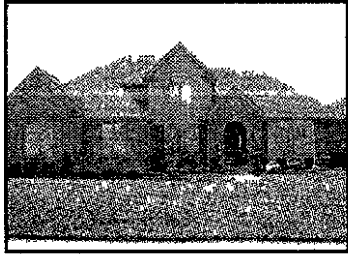
**ROCHESTER HILLS** Park like setting Spacious 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial Custom kitchen with granite counters Hardwood and tile throughout Finished basement all on approximately 1/2 acre Mature trees surround home Large deck with privacy fencing \$319 899 (33LEI) 248 652 8000



**SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME** 5 bedrooms 3.5 bath quad with lake privileges on 3 lakes family room w/FP large kit w/break fast nook dining room master BD w/full bath & WIC very large bedrooms possible separate living on lower level double lot nice storage barn This home is a must see \$319 900 (17DUN) 248 363-1200



**BIRMINGHAM** New construction on a premier street! High quality with attention to detail 4 bedrooms 4.1 baths butler area 2 fireplaces and home theatre Jack and Jill bath 5th bedroom and bath in lower level Skylights kitchen with island formal dining room and a master suite to die for! \$1 050 000 (20PLE) 248 642 8100



**BETTER THAN NEW** Almost 3 years old and all decked out 4 BR & 3.5 BA cape cod w/professionally finished basement Premium setting w/extras & upgrades everywhere GR den hearth room kitchen 1st floor master suite + 3 car gar Meticulous in every way Spectacular \$519 900 (75HIL) 248 349 5600



**TIMBERS EDGE SUBDIVISION** 4 bed room 2.5 bath colonial w/2003 updates includes kitchen w/Conan counters AC roof finished basement & upstairs opt Mstr ste w/2 WIC oversize FR library w/bit ins Formal DR 2 car att gar Home warranty incl (36SIL) \$374 900 734-455 5600



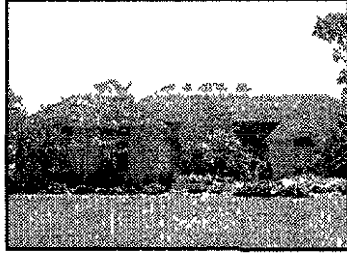
**TROY** Spacious three bedroom 2.5 bath ranch in desirable Emerald Lakes with lake privileges Large private lot with numerous pine trees side entrance garage and great curb appeal Spacious rooms Finished basement One year home warranty \$319 900 (28SMA) 248 524 1600



**ROCHESTER HILLS** Traditional colonial with contemporary feel Loaded with quality Great room with fireplace and dining L gourmet kitchen with Jenn Air ceramic floor spacious master bedroom with walk in closet and bath with jetted tub Finished basement \$308 900 (38LEX) 248 652 8000



**GOLF COMMUNITY LIFESTYLE** House overlooks 13th green 4 bedrooms 2.5 baths garage 3 car + brick paver court yard cedar closet fireplace crown moldings wainscoting panels thermo massage tub rev osmosis sys large kit oak cabl nets snack bar lot of house to own \$289 900 (17HAV) 248 363 1200



**BLOOMFIELD HILLS** Brick colonial with 4 bedrooms 3.5 baths built in 1995 Neutral decor hardwood floors 9 ft ceilings marble entry way some hardwood floors recessed lights and 1st floor master suite White kitchen all appliances deck and 3 car garage \$775 000 (47MAR) 248-642 8100



**LAKE LIVING AT ITS BEST** Beautiful 3 bedrooms 3 bath 2 story home in a quiet bay location on Walnut Lake Spacious master suite with his & her's baths & walk in closet GR w/travertine marble fireplace and great view of lake White kitchen & sun filled breakfast room \$949 900 (85COM) 248 349 5600

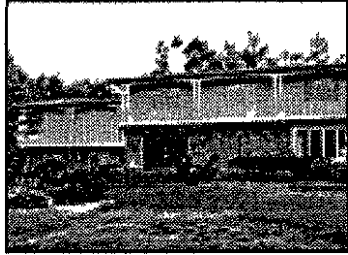


**SPECTACULAR & TRANQUIL** bests describes the view of the 9th fairway from the soaring 2 story window spacious living room open floor plan hardwood floors in foyer kitchen & family room w/fireplace 2 car attached garage basement & appl ances (39TUR) \$514 900 734-455 5600



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**BLOOMFIELD COLONIAL** Must see this home in West Bloomfield Very updated home Bloomfield schools \$499 900 (51BLO) 248 626 8800



**BIRMINGHAM** Great contemporary sitting on approx 2/3 acre lot backing to Fairway Park and the Rouge river Remodeled T/O white kitchen private master suite with bath and walls of windows overlooking park like yard \$695 000 (01LIN) 248-642 8100



**GREAT NORTHVILLE HILLS GOLF COURSE LOCATION** Gourmet maple kitchen w/granite Kitchen Aid SS appl ances 4 BR w/1st floor MBR 3.5 bath See thru FPL kit living room Extra windows & French doors added to DR MBR & FR Professionally landscaped invisible fence \$699 900 (77BAY) 248 349 5600



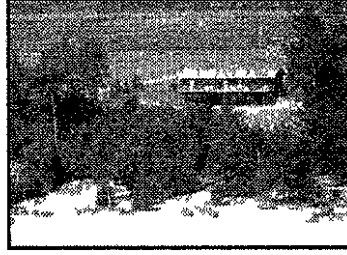
**EXQUISITE ENTERTAINING HOME** boasts 4 bdrm 2.5 baths cathedral ceilings hardwood foyer oak island 2 way fireplace basement & 3 car attached garage A wonderful find You must see! (84DEE) \$499 900 734-455 5600



**OAKLAND** Fabulous model home Luxurious new build in secluded sub is loaded with extras Cherry cabinets granite hardwood floors 9 ft ceilings 2 fireplaces 2 laundry rooms 2 powder rooms spacious master suite guest room with private bath \$784 000 (56PAR) 248 652 8000



**HURRY ON THIS 3 BEDROOM RANCH** Professionally decorated and landscaped Master bedroom has WIC bath with separate shower and jetted tub Beautifully finished basement with wet bar GR w/cathedral ceiling & frplc Open fir plan 1 yr home warranty and much more \$315 900 (08BUC) 248 626 8800



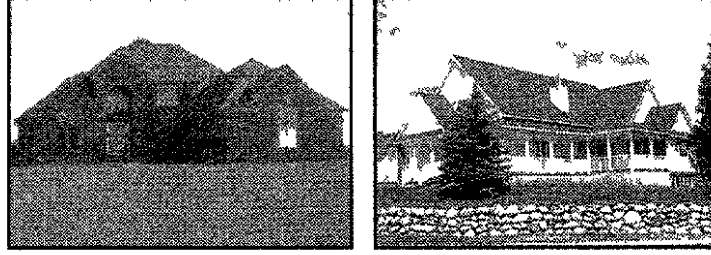
**HARBOR BEACH** Lake Huron waterfront on approx 4 acres Watch the sunrise and the freighters go by from the large deck on this 4 bedroom 3.5 bath home in the thumb area 2.5 car attached garage large pole barn with 1.5 bath heat and electric and 1 car garage by beach Well maintained \$525 000 (22LAK) 248 642 8100



**BETTER THAN NEW!** Why build? This 2 year old 4 BR 3.5 BA colonial has all the upgrades Cherry cabinets granite counters Jack & Jill baths 2 story foyer & FR conservatory princess suite finished LL w/BR BA & FR Backs to woods too! \$699 000 (10CHE) 248 349 5600



**TROY** Luxury two story condo with basement two car attached garage deck and loft overlooking great room First floor master bedroom with Jacuzzi tub Hardwood floors in kitchen First floor laundry Great room with gas fireplace \$39 900 (64MAY)



**GORGEOUS COUNTRY SETTING** Over an acre rolling tree lot Privacy & seclusion abound Spacious quad 4 bedroom 2 full bath & 2 half bath huge living room with fireplace dining room spacious kit & bedrooms Inviting sunroom New furnace & AC newer roof Bloomfield Schools \$505 000 (49RIS) 248 363 1200



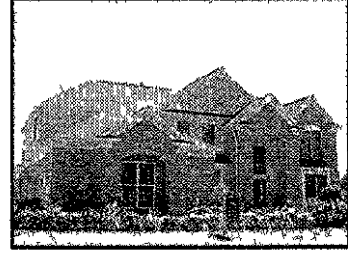
**PICK OF PARADISES** Very easy living in this 3 bedroom condo 1st fl master suite w/his & her closets 2 bedroom on upper level White kitchen w/black granite counters & lots of upgrade throughout 2 decks The garage is even clean \$340 000 (47BUR) 248 626 8800



**BEVERLY HILLS** A perfect home! 5 bedrooms 3 full baths 2 half baths with open floor plan Master and junior suites and large family room 3 decks great for entertaining and 3 car attached garage Priced for quick sale \$499 900 (00LAH) 248-642 8100



**ONE OF A KIND APPROX 10 ACRES** See it for yourself Quality built T/O 4 BR 3.5 BA colonial w/open floor plan with views from every window Nice location siding to a pond Long wood walk path to serene Tree island Nicely finished walkout with French door \$599 000 (89DIX) 248 349 5600



**ROCHESTER** Neutrally decorated four bedroom colonial with 4.5 baths two story family room and foyer and dual staircases Two way gas fireplace in white kitchen and family room Large master bedroom suite Side entrance garage \$490 000 (45LOG) 248-524 1600



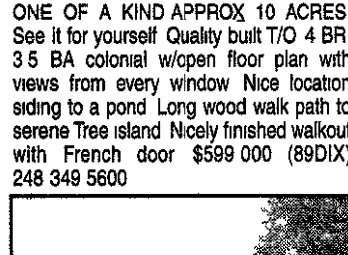
**OAKLAND** Newly built cape cod Located in Oakland Townships most secluded sub This luxury home features cherry cabinets and granite counters two way fireplace in great room octagon breakfast room 9 ft ceilings stainless appliances spa cius master suite \$679 900 (45WOO) 248 652 8000



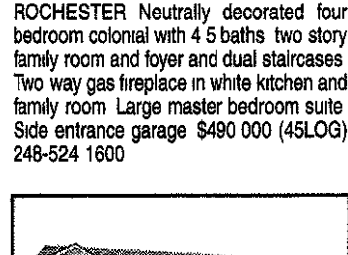
**GORGEOUS LUXURY CONDO** A beautiful 3 years Very open high ceilings a model carpeting 2.5 bath 3 bedrooms dining room great room white kitchen Bleached wooden floors 2 fireplaces jacuzzi full basement 2 car gar \$464 900 (14CRA) 248 626 8800



**FRANKLIN** A pleasure in every way 4 BR 3.5 BA home blends contempo w/traditional creating spaces suited to family & entertaining Cathedral ceilings HDWD flrs updated BA & Pella drwl to lge deck in beautiful yard bordered by woods Newer rf furn C/A & possible in law ste lib & fin bsmt \$469 900 (11CHE) 248 642 8100



**FEED THE DEER AT HOME** Approx 14.5 acres offering 3 bdrm 2.5 bath ranch w/2.5 car att gar pole barn lots of closet space beautifully tiled foyer All this built in 2001 Custom kitchen & cabinets A walk to Belleville Lake Great location \$299 900 (65MAR) 734 455 5600



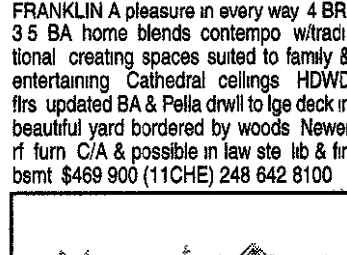
**TROY** New construction colonial with 4 bedrooms 2.5 baths full basement 2 car garage & Troy schools Oak kitchen with pantry and large nook Great room with gas fireplace and tile surround Library with bay Master bedrooms with tub and separate shower \$399 900 (66HAR) 248 524-1600



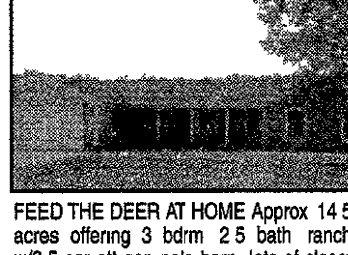
**OXFORD** Lake of Indianwood Builders own ranch style home loads of details and a wooded private lot Large first floor master with spa tub All season sunroom paver patio hardwood ceramic crown moldings finished basement with kitchen and bath Orron schools \$579 900 (01EAG) 248 652 8000



**EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES** Brand new Forest Bay home displaying wood flooring marble huge great room kitchen with island and appliances master bedroom with closet large enough to live in unfinished walkout with carpet 3 car garage and deeded dock \$489 900 (62WOO) 248 363 1200



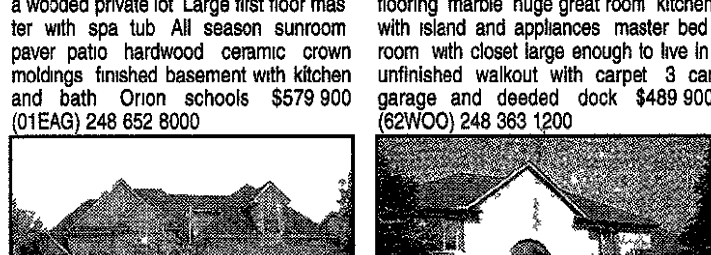
**BIRMINGHAM COLONIAL** Heart of Birmingham Being built in 2004 3 bedroom 2.5 bath Walking distance to downtown Birmingham \$475 000 (03FOU) 248 626 8800



**BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED** Cape cod backing to woods & golf course offers 3 bdrm 2.5 bath 3+ car attached gar basement private patio 1st floor master suite with his & her walk in closet great room with gas fireplace & cathedral ceiling (36GLE) \$399 000 734-455 5600



**FARMINGTON HILLS** Quality and elegance can be found in this exquisite 1.5 story home with 1st floor master suite library great room with fireplace and finished walk out with fireplace sauna and rainforest shower Deck private yard \$549 900 (21HID) 248 524 1600



**OXFORD** So many extra touches Designer show place professionally landscaped gas fireplace four skylights 9 ft ceiling with granite island lavish master bath with jet tub 3 car garage finished basement with bath and second kitchen \$419 000 (31BAY) 248 652 8000



**COME LIVE YOUR DREAM** Exceptional gracious colonial in prime location backing to scenic nature trail exposed thru walls of glass Huge walkout basement w/patio Extension deck off fabulous great room w/vaulted ceiling & marble flpl to x way & mall \$459 900 (46SUN) 248 363 1200



**A SHARP 2 BEDROOM HOME** Double entry door entry ceramic tile throughout Updated kitchen huge deck with gazebo recessed lights throughout Bay windows newer exterior paint ceiling fans through out \$334 900 (22WAT) 248 626 8800



**COMMERCE** Wonderful 4 bedroom 2.5 bath 99 built colonial with terrific views of #1 fairway on Beacon Hill golf course Club house driving range and family membership available Large kitchen with pantry island huge master & neutral thruout \$319 900 (35IVY) 248 642-8100



**HIGHLAND** First time on the market! 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial w/master bedroom with 2 sided fireplace and 2 large closets Family room w/built in entertainment cave & remote blinds Very neutral w/tasteful decor Golf community \$394 800 (67PPE) 248 642 8100

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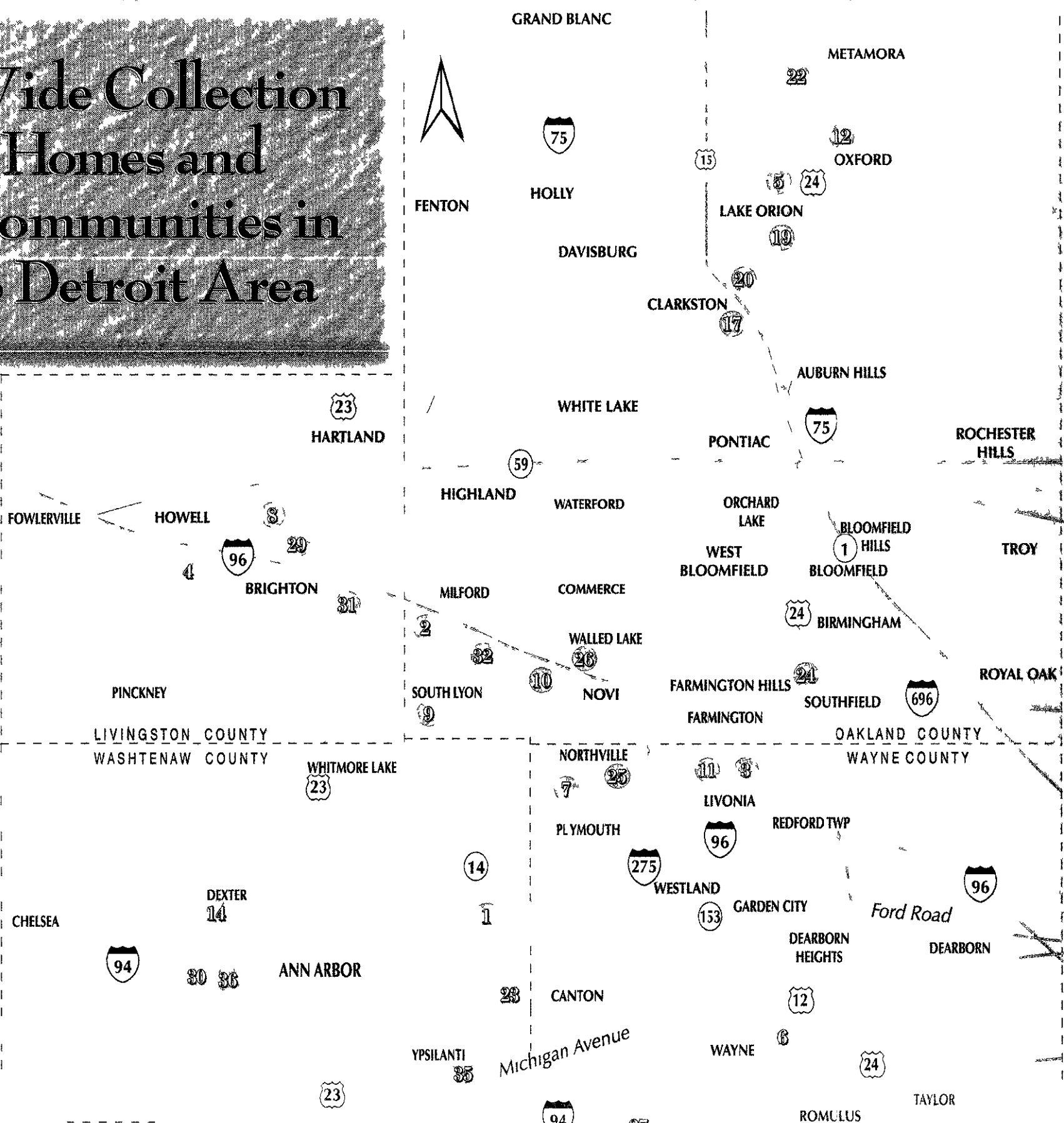
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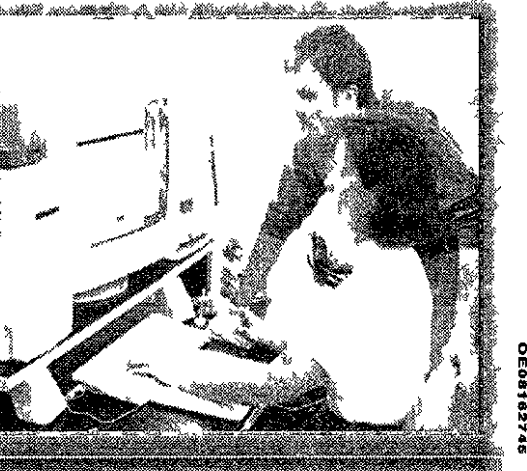
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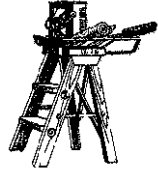


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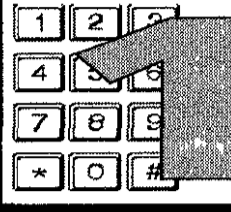
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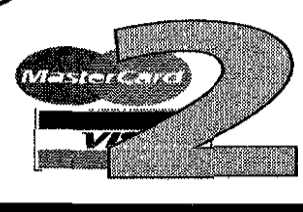
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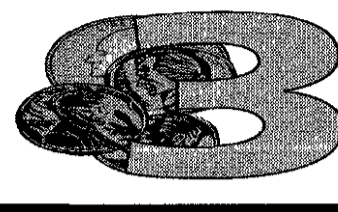
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**RESPECT**  
SBF 34 seeking for a stable com  
municative honest respectful  
educated SM 25 45 Could this be  
you? Ad# 573881

**SOUND LIKE YOU?**  
Outgoing SBF 21 55 155 lb  
seeking a tall truthful SM 57  
serious SM 29 50 preferably  
with no children employed with  
transportation Ad# 573465

**REACH OUT**  
SBF 61 petite sort a cute sort a  
smart Looking for an honest  
happy son or male 59 70 for  
some tender loving care  
Ad# 572333

**READY TO SETTLE?**  
Attractive full figured SBF 45  
with many interests I'm looking  
for a financially secure SM 42  
57 a good friend Someone who  
knows what he wants in life  
Ad# 571927

**BE MY BEST FRIEND**  
Very kind and caring SWF 46  
5 4 medium build b eyed blond  
Enjoys traveling casual  
fishing archery and art ques  
Seeking an intellectual SWM 46  
60 for fun times Ad# 532517

**ONLY TIME WILL TELL**  
Single white lady 70 55 125  
lb blonde blue eyes long hair  
along with she has very versatile  
interests and wishes to meet an  
honest who get gentleman who s  
friendly 55 65 to start out as  
frnds Ad# 571130

**FUN TO BE WITH**  
SWF 44 N/S N/D who enjoys  
camping walking the outdoors  
fishing my children and experi  
encing new things If you are  
N/S N/D SWCM 38 52 and a  
interested call me and we I talk  
Ad# 47121

**THINKING OF YOU**  
Pety DWF 47 52 brown ha  
bue eyes medium build Looking  
for a SWM 58 6 51 to med um  
bud for a more long term re  
lationship Pety 47 52 and son a  
d love hockey music  
movies d n g out and much  
more West and a ad Ad# 570055

**HIGH ON LIFE**  
Frendly quiet SBF 51 a peasanly  
plump Enjoys the arts walk  
movies & Church activities  
would like to meet a ovng part  
ner under 65 to enjoy life  
Ad# 570006

**SEARCHING**  
SWF 44 who loves the out  
doors Harley's also Ives The Red  
Wings Seeking SWM 45 55  
Ad# 501033

**QUEEN OF HEARTS**  
In 55 yrs. o' SWF a full fig  
ured 5'10 beauty w/ brown eyes  
and a pretty face She's a ntel gen  
tious compassionate and  
Lake Michigan and s seeking an  
attractive SWM 45 50 to spend  
lme with Ad# 558864

**FUN LOVING**  
SBF 50 55 with brown ha and  
eyes Into este arts I'm with  
frinds basketball football  
music shows etc Looking for a  
tall intelligent sincere trustng  
SM over 45 who is fun to be with  
and has male interests Ad# 568473

**I LL BE WAITING**  
Calm laid back SWF 62 52 110  
lbs blonde hair bue eyes Loves  
family activities cooking & chore  
Seeking a kind quiet SWM 56  
who cares about other people and  
loves animals Ad# 567481

**BEAUTIFUL INSIDE & OUT**  
SWF 57 5 4 and curly hair  
brown eyes Enjoys movies the  
ater board swimming cooking  
and I'm with family Seeking a  
SWM 55 79 who is ambitious  
spiritual successful and fun  
Ad# 473611

**YOU WILL LIKE ME**  
Attractive blond fun loving SWF  
65 medium build art Enjoys  
travel and cuddling with someone  
special seeks a SWM 60 plus  
Let's meet Ad# 567287

**A DECENT LADY**  
Attractive intelligent fun loving  
SWF 66 Enjoys simple pleasures  
Willing to meet a SWM 60 plus  
honest gentleman to share fun  
Ad# 567167

**DON T HESITATE**  
I'm ready for fun & laughter! SBF  
46 6 a smoker seek a dr nke I  
enjoy watch ng sports and travel  
I'm searching for a SWM 55  
70 who shares my interests  
Ad# 503750

**ARE YOU THE LOVING TYPE?**  
Respectful SBF 28 5 2 light  
skin red ha Enjoys sports  
movies and shopping Looking for  
an attractive SM 18 35 who s  
loving open minded & nteligent  
Ad# 565559

**ROMANCE**  
s just around the corner am  
52 with da k eyes and ha r 63  
looking to meet a tall gentleman  
59 70 who has dancing as de  
travel and wants a long term rela  
tionship Ad# 403303

**HOW ABOUT US?**  
SBF 61 years o' d social d like  
Enjoys wks work ng out pho  
topography d n g out and more  
Seeks a warm honest secure  
easygoing SWM 57 58  
Ad# 564711

**ONE OF A KIND**  
SWF 48 attract ve intelligent lov  
ng and ded cated Seeking a SWM  
45+ a N/S who is since a ntel  
gent humo us and honest for a  
long term devoted re at onshp  
Ad# 449774

**GOOD NATURED**  
SWF 56 61 med um bu l col  
lege graduate non smoker Enjoys  
work out theater movies w k  
ng and more Seeking a SWM 6 3  
5 30 53 62 who is well groomed  
and p essional for friends p  
first Ad# 470261

**COMPARE INTERESTS**  
Thin SWFF 55 57 attractive  
brown eyed brunette seeks tall  
athletic energetic trust ng and  
educated SWM 50 60 N/S  
Please call Ad# 563521

**JUST ME**  
SBF 61 68 dark complexion  
on a smoke Likes going to the  
mal watch ng TV and movs  
Looking for a snore SBM 18 26  
Ad# 563856

**CUTE BLONDE WIDOW**  
I'm 5 105 lbs 58 romant c  
secure SF seeking a nce looking  
me 57 to 6 5 m to med um  
bud who enjoys dancing gof  
live theater and good conversation  
Macomb County Ad# 402562

**UNDERSTANDING**  
SBF 48 with a back ha and brown  
eyes Enjoys music singing the  
outdoors etc Searching for a SBF  
40 55 who is educated fun loving  
and communicative Ad# 561932

**PURSUE ME**  
SBF 61 58 search ng for a  
fun loving SBM 22 32 w/ amb  
tion and goals Must love kids  
Ad# 561855

**ALL AROUND GOOD WOMAN**  
Funny quiet natured SBF 31 5 8  
weight proportionate light com  
plexion hazel eyes one son  
Enjoys reading movs and family  
time Looking for an up front SBM  
32 40 Ad# 561671

**SIMPLE GIRL**  
Fun to be around SWF 57 5 2  
Enjoys walking reading and w k  
ng Seeking a SWM 23 35 who  
enjoys chlo an and has a good  
time Ad# 561516

**SOMETHING MISSING**  
56 years young want a specia  
l friend m y life Miss ng the lit  
tle things a hug a kiss hold ng  
hands Enjoys sit about every  
thing but not sm ng the m p  
anting ne the other that m y  
fe Ad# 406 07

**CHALLENGE ME**  
I'm a very nice att ctive SBF 35  
with jet back hair Enjoys musc  
d n g and live concerts Seeking  
respectful handsome SM under  
48 Wait ng to hear from you  
Ad# 557230

**ARE WE ALIKE?**  
SWF 50 w th above average  
looks good complexion am  
muscular and sou mate Seeking  
DWM 45 80 for an out gentleman  
ooking for serous eatonship  
Ad# 442565

**COLORFUL**  
Generous hearted muscl care  
free professional SBF 41 a rare  
find I'm seeking honorabl e fun  
SM 35 65 cheerful yet can be  
h mo us Ad# 557303

**VISIONS OF LOVE**  
m 53 with dark b own  
ha/eyes A personable SWF 44  
who enjoys qua ty time with my  
children and has a va iety of  
interests Seeking a lov ng ation  
shp w th a great SM 42 58  
who s happy & cont dnt  
Ad# 558955

**DO WE CLICK?**  
Prefess onal SWF 45 52 fu lfig  
ed enjoys spontaneous fun  
fsh ng and horses Seeking best  
friend companion nst lnt N/S  
professional D/BWM with real  
heart Ad# 557779

**SUGAR & SPICE**  
SWF 55 loves an mals God  
natured nter o deoat  
more I'm seeking companion shp  
w th SWM 54 85 someone to talk  
w th and care about Ad# 557587

**SERIOUS RELATIONSHIP**  
SWF 60 52 med um build  
b own ha outgoing looking for  
personable carng SWM 60 70  
5 9 w th time to devote to a re  
lationship L likes to go places que t  
times and is able to show affect on  
Ad# 444245

**BIG & BEAUTIFUL**  
Happy to meet you outgoing  
ntr oactive artlet 70 y old reader  
move fan with many hobby  
bes Seeking well groomed SWM  
85 75 down to earth Lets meet  
Ad# 556800

**BIG & BEAUTIFUL**  
La d back loving SWF 33 values  
fan and I sends Seekng frnd  
y upbeat humorous SWM 28 29  
with sm for character etc for  
p on c elst onshp Ad# 556333

**BEAUTIFUL**  
SBF 60 24 55 130 lbs seeks  
nce looking SM 24 35 who  
likes to have fun Ad# 555886

**SUNSHINE IN YOUR LIFE**  
SBF 30 5 7 127 lb ght  
sk nced short hair Funny outgo  
ng and a ways b lng sunshine in  
the oom Enjoys bow ng skating  
partying and cook ng Looking for  
a SM 25 42 with similar interests  
who can make me sm e  
Ad# 555400

**FROM THE HEART**  
Funny honest outgoing SWF 49  
56 med um bu l autum brown  
ha nce looking SM 24 35 who  
likes to have fun Ad# 555886

**JUST BE YOURSELF**  
Young looking SBF 18 with ight  
brown eyes outgoing caref re  
straght wa d reader  
Looking for good oriented  
SM 18 22 same attributes  
Ad# 554301

**VIVACIOUS**  
Attract ve SWF 46 seek ng  
secure ntellectual someone who  
times crazy SWM with sm lar  
traits Must be da ng and rsk  
taker Ad# 553757

**FROM THE HEART**  
She s a lovely SWF 29 who va  
les family frst enjoys tracto pullng  
to theater and the Arts Seeking  
happy family man 27 40 for  
friendship frst w th varied nter  
ests Ad# 552859

**A FRESH START**  
SWF 61 34 Kds ooking for  
new friend family man SWM 27  
40 variety of interests Not too  
scare enjoy d n g out and fan  
ly events Ad# 552395

**WILL YOU ACCEPT ME?**  
I'm 5 8 medium bu l t SWM 27  
28 years o' who enjoys movs  
pool cut et evenings long drive  
and much more Seeking a SWM  
28 38 who is honest carng and  
uncle starning Ad# 496396

**BOOK SMART**  
Professional trainer SWF 33 w th  
varied interests Seeking we l  
groomed SWF eto m out and fan  
ly events Ad# 552395

**EXTRA NICE**  
Bonde b eyed prop onate  
SWF 42 outgoing bubbly am  
le about any I like motorcycle  
boating hockey Seeks monoga  
mous elatoshp w th SWM 37  
55 sou mate Ad# 539134

**FORMER MODEL**  
SWF 49 5 5 125 lbs slender  
muscular social drinker Loves art  
museums camp ng and more  
Seeking an easygoing attractive  
cative SWM 38 49 who I kes to  
dance and s a music lover  
Ad# 538 87

**INTRODUCE YOURSELF**  
Brown ha/eyes fun loving SWF  
39 I ke sports try ng new thngs  
Seek ng SM over 32 good frnd  
a ove someone with sm lar nter  
ests Ad# 495946

**HONEST TO YOU**  
SBF attract ve 31 55 230 lbs  
b own ha seek mature SBM  
30 45 for conversat on d n g  
and poss ble re at onsh p  
Ad# 548285

**DANISH TREAT**  
SWF 39 outgoing attract ve 5  
135 lbs w th bonde ha r Enjoys  
ong wks d n g danc ng and  
much mo e Looking for a SWM  
40 50 who enjoy cut pass on  
together Ad# 547194

**GET IN TOUCH**  
Cute dent humorous fun sponte  
neous SWF 23 52 med um  
bud Looking for a SWM 23 31  
N/S N/D u g free Ad# 545721

**FLINT AREA**  
Family or ented SWF 55 years  
o' d green eyed bonde temper  
y d stable Loves concerts d n g  
travel outdoors & garden ng  
50 60 w th sense of humor and  
sm lar nter ests Ad# 545505

**WHAT ARE YOU SEEKING?**  
SWM 39 5 4 blue eyed  
blonde fun to be around I love  
long walks movs and I'm with  
my daughter I'm seeking a tall  
honest SWM 34 45 who kes  
chloren Ad# 544961

**FOLLOW ME**  
G gae us SWF 53 5 7 s m  
brunette with many nter ests  
Looking to meet a handsome and  
f nancially secure SWM 45 55  
who s 5 10 or above with a m  
bud Ad# 544561

**HONESTY ABOVE ALL**  
Want to be spcl ed? I'm a fun lov  
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hold ng hands Looking to  
a SWM socia dr nker 56 80 who  
shares the same interests for  
companionship and possible more  
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**LETS TALK**  
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58 brown hair blue eyes smok  
e Enjoys n male crafts the out  
door s and loves roller coasters  
Looking for an honest and up front  
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who has a get up and go att tude  
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**BROWN EYED LADY**  
SWF 54 48 enjoys barscoud  
rns funny movs sage burnng  
books Desires SWM N/S 40 55  
that I can oop up to who can make  
me laugh s sort of handsome and  
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ha d working Chr tian  
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going to movies watch ng te v  
s on enjoy ng social n ghts out  
Seek ng companion n ghts with a  
good man Ad# 559673

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SWF 42 outgoing bubbly am  
le about any I like motorcycle  
boating hockey Seeks monoga  
mous elatoshp w th SWM 37  
55 sou mate Ad# 539134

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muscular social drinker Loves art  
museums camp ng and more  
Seeking an easygoing attractive  
cative SWM 38 49 who I kes to  
dance and s a music lover  
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39 I ke sports try ng new thngs  
Seek ng SM over 32 good frnd  
a ove someone with sm lar nter  
ests Ad# 495946

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SBF attract ve 31 55 230 lbs  
b own ha seek mature SBM  
30 45 for conversat on d n g  
and poss ble re at onsh p  
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**DANISH TREAT**  
SWF 39 outgoing attract ve 5  
135 lbs w th bonde ha r Enjoys  
ong wks d n g danc ng and  
much mo e Looking for a SWM  
40 50 who enjoy cut pass on  
together Ad# 547194

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Cute dent humorous fun sponte  
neous SWF 23 52 med um  
bud Looking for a SWM 23 31  
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o' d green eyed bonde temper  
y d stable Loves concerts d n g  
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50 60 w th sense of humor and  
sm lar nter ests Ad# 545505

**WHAT ARE YOU SEEKING?**  
SWM 39 5 4 blue eyed  
blonde fun to be around I love  
long walks movs and I'm with  
my daughter I'm seeking a tall  
honest SWM 34 45 who kes  
chloren Ad# 544961

**FOLLOW ME**  
G gae us SWF 53 5 7 s m  
brunette with many nter ests  
Looking to meet a handsome and  
f nancially secure SWM 45 55  
who s 5 10 or above with a m  
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SWM 34 outgoing cheerful  
empoyed full time smoke seek  
ng a SWM full nteligent She  
enjoys talking being with her  
frnds go ng to clubs and gett ng  
to know people Ad# 531198

**LOOKING FOR A CDP**  
Captu e th s SWF 30 5 11 w  
th w bonde ha r Can't bel eve I  
m do ng th s thought d try any  
way Enjoys true nove s part ng  
sure nter or des ng Seeking a  
good frnd SWM 35 45  
Ad# 531199

**A NEW FRIEND**  
26 yrs old East Ind an SF 5 4  
160 lbs blond ha brown eyes  
quiet natured Enjoys sports and  
walks Seeking an outgoing hon  
est carng SHM between 21 28  
Ad# 509755

**FULL OF LIFE**  
SWF 57 4 1 Blonde ha/r/true  
eyes proport onal ft Loves fe  
Enjoys hld ng I ave the beach and  
more Seeking a SWM 49 or o der  
with sm lar interests for compan  
lonshp ead ng to a possible rela  
t onshp Ad# 507331

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SWF 45 no dependents social  
drinker and smokes Seeking  
SWM 45 55 with a Harry Reddy  
for rd ng the open roads  
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**LOOKING FOR ME?**  
SBF 24 years old n search of a  
hardwo king SBM 24 35 who  
believes in the Lord enoys fun  
movs b k ng and havng fun  
Ad# 506286

**DO I INTEREST YOU?**  
m a b own eyed SBM 28 5  
4 185 lbs who likes movies  
and partyng I'd like to find an  
o de SM who s outgoing laid  
back and I kes to have fun  
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**MARRIAGE MINDED**  
Professional SWF 50 long blonde  
ha r full figured 5 tall who enjoys  
gardening movs socal zang the  
outdoor s cook ng and mo e  
Seek ng a compassionate carng  
SWM 43 52 Ad# 482898

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SWF 34 tall dark beautiful 5 11  
great sense of humor loves her  
child an outgoing and Harley s  
Seek ng a funny tall well bu t  
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K ds welcome Ad# 504546

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SWM 52 with brown hair and a  
muscule Enjoys d n g out the  
outdoor s Looking for a SWF  
40 53 who s looking for a ong  
term relat onshp Flnt area  
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GAINED**  
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v de va lety of nter ests Searchng  
for a pet te average bu t SF 38  
54 who s down to earth sncere  
and honest Ad# 419021

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Lovng affect onate SWM 39  
5 8 40 lbs dark golden brown  
ha r crysta blue eyes Enjoys  
b k ng vo ybal f shng o ex ng  
n the sun seek ng N/S SF 21  
45 w th ntlive pe sona y  
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nto sports Ad# 5560 3

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ate compassionate profess onal  
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ng 8 ft in gene s I am ready to  
meet an attractive sm/med um bu  
t respectful sincere SF 100  
160 lbs who s mar ried & fam ly  
minded Ad# 581918

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33 242 25 ba d ove to a oke  
around Looking for an voluptuous  
SHF 29 36 someone who s non  
judgmental just ke me  
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eyes and blond ha r I'm fun  
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ng and love NASCAR Hope to  
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SF under 55 who has time for a  
good strong relat onsh p  
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SBM 31 strong sncere gentle  
Just here to meet a nice SF  
carng and interested In a one  
on one relat onshp Ad# 571594

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Quiet shy SWM 51 6 2 210 lbs  
dishevel brown eyes salt & pep  
per hal Enjoys woodwo king  
movies and workng on cars & h  
s house Seeking a well be aced  
SWF 45 57 to sha e fe with  
Ad# 571460

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SBM 19 w th a nce smle  
Looking for long term re at onsh  
with a beautiful Inteligent SBF  
19 29 has future goals  
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I am 5 w th brown ha r outgo ng  
fun SWM 42 w th many hobby  
es Seeking fun adventurou out  
door s woman 30 45 with sm lar  
interests Ad# 571055

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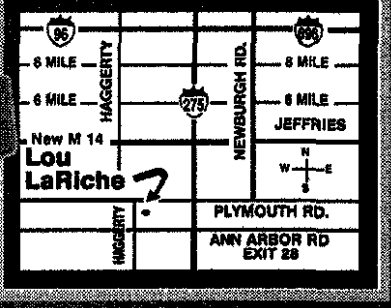
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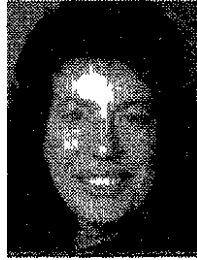
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## 2004 Toyota Camry Solara grows on you

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**Anne Fracassa**

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The 2004 Toyota Camry Solara is a little small and impractical for a growing family but it sure is big on heart. And it's all under the hood.

There are three engines available on the Camry Solara and all are good choices depending on the type of driver you are and whether you worry about the environment.

The standard engine is a 2.4 liter double overhead cam 4 cylinder that provides you with 157 horsepower. It has Toyota's own Variable Valve Timing with intelligence that lets you have an even spread of power for sporty response.

The previous year's 3.0-liter engine has been replaced this year with a 3.3 liter VVT-I all aluminum V6 that nets you 225 horsepower. The previous engine output was rated at 195 horses. The V6 is also mated to a 5 speed automatic transmission that replaces the 4-speed automatic in the 3.0-liter. You can also opt for a 5 speed manual if you're so inclined to have the ultimate control of your driving experience.

The V6 was as quiet as a mouse and had the spunk of a cougar. It flew away from a full stop and accelerated without as much as a whimper. Never had any problems merging on the freeway or traversing around a slow moving semi tractor truck. It's truly fun to drive.

The Camry Solara is brand new this year and contains a host of new sheet metal and interior and exterior refinements. The styling of the Solara is really beautiful and doesn't mimic any other vehicle on the road right now.

From the roof line to the tires touching the ground and from the rear to the front, the Solara is a work of art. It hugs the road like a fine sports car. The headlights and tail lights really set it apart from the rest of the pack.

Look at a Solara from last year and then look at one from this year and the difference is phenomenal. The looks are different and distinctive. The rear tail lights are teardrop-looking and very, very seductive. It's got a rear spoiler to please.

And if you think the exterior is well done, slip inside and give yourself a real treat. Everything is really high tech looking. From the instrumentation to the key fob, it all seems to fit together quite nicely.

I loved the amount of information you could get from the



**2004 Toyota Camry Solara Vehicle class: Sports Coupe. Power: 4- and 6-cylinder engine options. Mileage: 24 city / 33 highway. Where built: Georgetown, KY. Price: About \$25,995.**

instrumentation. It's not just speedometer, fuel gauge and tachometer. It's got a 5 feature trip computer that will tell you fuel consumption, average speed, miles to go and elapsed time. Right at that, in the center is the digital clock and right of that is the outdoor temperature gauge and passenger airbag status.

There's more than twice the interior storage space than the previous model. There are in a front console box, cupholders that double as auxiliary storage and a center console that offers dual compartments for additional storage.

I have to comment that my girls did not like the rear seating area. They complained they didn't have enough room. They were so relieved that we weren't taking the Solara on a trip up north.

Safety issues are all addressed on the Solara. There are side impact airbags and optional front and rear side curtain airbags. New seatbelt extensions are supposed to make it easier for front passengers to gain access to the seat belt, but if you have rear passengers coming in and out, it moves too far back for you to reach it.

There are three models to choose from: the SE, SE Sport and the SLE, which has most of the options and wood grain interior trim.

The SE model comes standard with 16 inch alloy wheels, air conditioning, anti-lock brakes, cruise control, AM/FM/CD with six speakers, power windows with driver's side automatic up and down, 60/40 split fold down rear seats, power auto door locks, eight-way adjustable driver's seat, keyless entry, power mirrors,

tilt steering wheel with audio and information controls, intermittent wipers and two 12-volt outlets. Base price of this model is \$19,950.

The SE Sport has a sport tuned suspension, stiffer front and rear springs and 17-inch alloy wheels, sport fabric seats, sport gauge design and trim, leather-trimmed steering wheel and shift knob and aluminum trim pedals. This one starts at \$21,445.

Finally, the SLE is the all inclusive luxury model with automatic climate control, power moon roof, heated exterior mirrors, auto dimming inside a, premium audio system with six disc CD, HomeLink garage door opener, security system, leather-trimmed interior with heated seats and 17-inch alloy wheels. All for \$25,995, which by the way is only \$1,320 above last year's model that had fewer features.

I really enjoyed my week in the Toyota Solara. I thought it was a wonderful vehicle at a wonderful price. Go take a look.

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*Last Sunday's Avanti NewsFeatures truck column by Anne Fracassa on the Mazda Tribute should have said the small sports utility vehicles assembled in Kansas City, Not Flat Rock, Mich. The incorrect information was due to an editing error at Avanti Newsfeatures. The error was pointed out by readers who e-mailed us to set the record straight. We regret the mistake.*

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# Used car prices take hard tumble

## New car incentives push used car marketplace to record low

by G Moore Independent ad features

**Farmington Hills, MI** - A Farmington Hills dealer is selling 2003 vehicles for one-half of the original manufacturer's list price. And they're offering many other 2003 models far below normal market values. The 0% financing offered by GM, Ford, and Daimler-Chrysler mesmerized so many buyers that far fewer shoppers even bothered looking at pre-owned 2003 models.

How does 0% financing on a new model do in a heads-up comparison to a pre-owned 2003 model? In the instance of the Buick Century, financing \$21,960 plus tax vs \$9,995 plus tax the payments on the new car at 0% interest would be \$392 monthly for 60 months but only \$233 monthly at 3.9% for 60 months on the program model. With the prime at a record low, today's interest rates are very competitive. Many credit unions charge under 6% for auto loans if the applicant has a good credit rating. And when purchasing the used 2003, don't forget that you'll be saving about an additional \$1,000 in sales tax and licensing fees. (Taxes estimated at an average of 6%.)

**The Bob Saks Superstore sold over 150 Buick Centurys in the first 30 days of their sale.**

A program car is a vehicle that has been leased by a premium rental company through a special "program" from the manufacturer. Strict maintenance is required and all vehicles are carefully inspected upon return. In many cases these program units receive better maintenance than vehicles owned by private owners.

Saks Buick-Oldsmobile Used Car Superstore in Farmington Hills has long been known as Michigan's "bargain hunting" dealer. Currently they're selling

more 2003 Buick Centurys than any other dealer in the nation. (Over 150 Centurys were sold during the first 30 days of their sale.) Last year, they sold the most pre-owned 2002 Chevrolet Lumina and Oldsmobile Intrigue in the nation from their single location. And the year before they set the sales record selling the most off-lease GMC Yukons.

Today's real bargain can be found at Saks in the pre-owned 2003 vehicles. The 0% financing on new 2003's has left the used models unnoticed and overlooked. So, with far fewer dealers purchasing these units, the prices have dropped to record lows.

So once again Bob Saks has gone shopping for the vehicles with a huge cart. They have just made a multi-million dollar purchase of these units from



**Bargains abound in pre-owned 2003 program vehicles**

General Motors, bringing in truckload after truckload from across the country. In addition to filling their giant used car facility to the brim, Bob Saks had to lease additional storage lots to accommodate their massive

acquisition of vehicles. And they currently stock the largest inventory of 2003 program cars in Michigan.

The purpose of 0% financing is to clear out the remaining new 2003's in another month or two

these vehicles will all be gone along with the incentives. In the meantime, the 2003 program vehicles are truly today's "sleeping bargain." But they'll soon disappear as smart shoppers begin to "wake up" and

recognize the **real deals**. The Bob Saks Superstore is located at 35300 Grand River Avenue at Drake Rd., Farmington Hills. Their used car superstore may be contacted directly at (888) 551-6917.

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