

Your hometown newspaper serving Plymouth and Plymouth Township for 118 years

Award-winning newspaper



PLYMOUTH Observer

THURSDAY
February 26, 2004
75 cents

VOLUME 118 NUMBER 53

www.hometownlife.com

©2004 HOMETOWN COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

Win a \$500 Farmer Jack shopping spree
See Page C8 for details

Pipeline

More fish

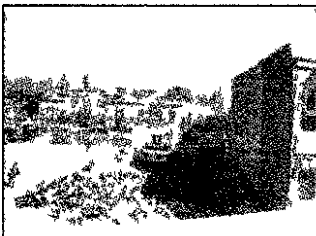
The Plymouth VFW lays claim to the old adage, 'You've tried the rest, now try the best,' with its weekly Friday Fish Fry.

From 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. every Friday, the post features a fish fry for \$2, with macaroni and cheese, hot dogs, sloppy joes and combinations also on the menu.

The VFW Post is located at 1426 S Mill. For takeout orders, call (734) 459-6700.

Parking problems

Contractors working on the Tom's Oyster Bar building on Penniman



have told city officials they'll need to set up a crane this week and next to put up new walls on the building.

The result: Negative effects on the traffic flow and parking situation on Penniman. Parking will be restricted on both sides near the construction site, and traffic will be shifted into the parking spaces on the north side of the street. Penniman is expected to remain open while the crane is working.

The traffic shift is expected to start Friday and run through the end of next week.

Bridge building

Traffic along Ann Arbor Road at Fellows Creek Bridge was reduced to one lane Wednesday, with alternating one-way traffic, while a 3.38-mile construction project continues along the road.

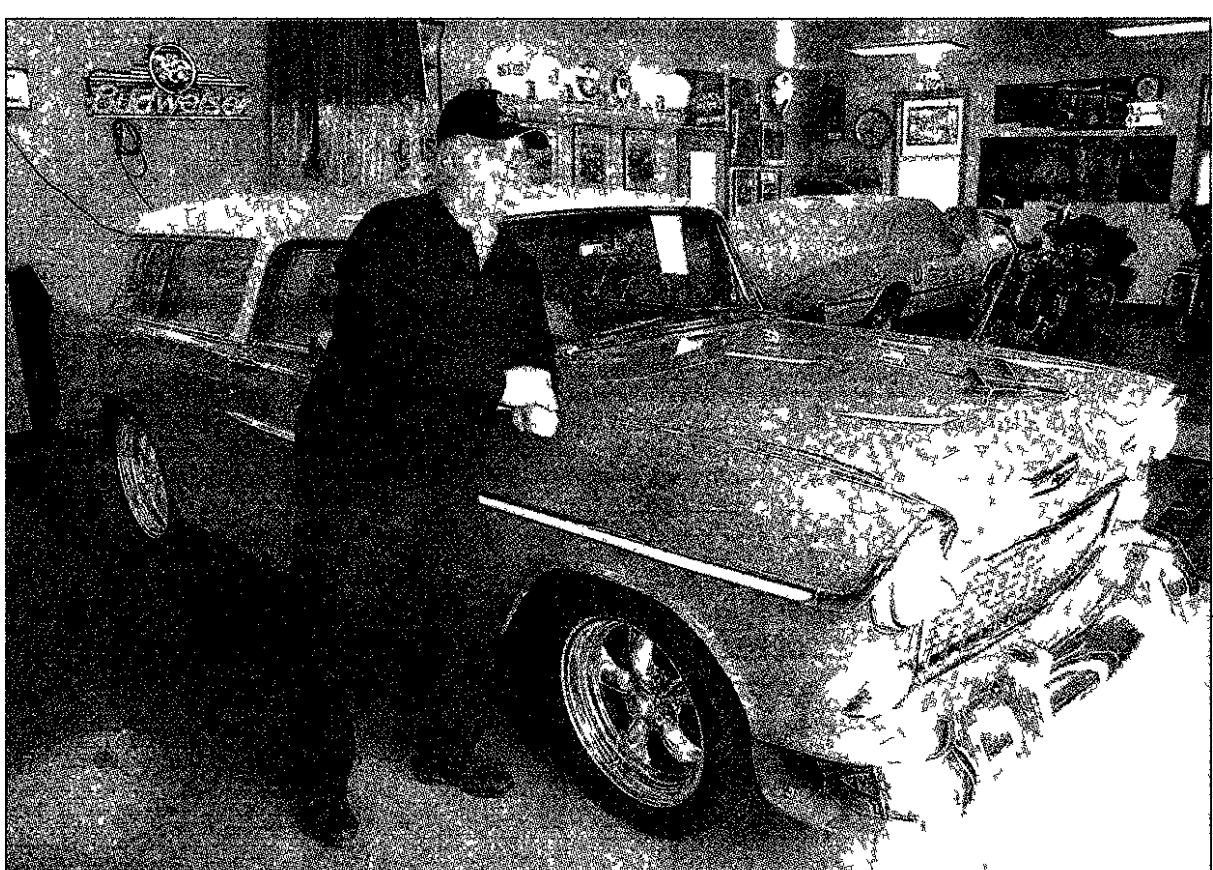
Traffic will be controlled by temporary 24-hour-a-day traffic signals. Joy Road will be closed at Ann Arbor Road.

The traffic shift is expected to last through the end of May.

Due to the proximity to this part of the project, Joy Road will be closed at Ann Arbor Road with a posted detour using Ridge Road, Plymouth Township officials announced Monday.

After the bridge is complete and two-way traffic is restored on Ann Arbor Road, the Joy Road intersection will be reconstructed.

The bridge is expected to be completed by the end of April and the intersection by the end of May.



Paul Rebmann's 1955 Chevy Nomad will be on display at this year's Autorama, complete with matching surfboard.

Heaven on wheels

Car buff finds passion in auto collection

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When Paul Rebmann's brother came back from serving in Korea, he bought a 1954 Oldsmobile '88 with a rocket engine.

Like a fish lunging at bait, Rebmann was hooked. The Plymouth Township resident has been a car buff ever since. Starting Friday, his enthusiasm will be in full bloom as he displays his 1955 Chevy Nomad at the Murray's Discount Auto Stores Detroit Autorama at Cobo Arena.

"It's the most sought-after Nomad of them all," said Rebmann, who also owns a 1970

442 pace car, a 1940 Ford convertible with a Corvette drive train and a 1934 five-window Ford coupe. It was the first year, and it had the best lines.

Originally a Texas car, Rebmann found it on the Internet, ending a three-year search for a Nomad. He's completely redone it with a 351 cubic inch engine, 20-inch wheels in back and 17-inch wheels in front. He's added things like disc brakes and air conditioning, but the outside is all stock.

"I always liked (Nomads), Rebmann said. "I like the idea of a two-door station wagon. It's the ultimate cruise car."

It's a subject with which he's comfortable, because Rebmann has been a car aficionado for years. He got his first car — a 1939 Ford two-door sedan — at the age of 14. The first car he collected was a 1966 GT 350 Shelby Mustang. Until two years ago, he owned a 1962 Corvette. His collection, once as many as 10 cars, is

now down to a "more manageable" group of four.

Rebmann belongs to a number of cruiser groups. His Cow Town Cruisers, formed in 1976, is made up of some 40 members. Rebmann calls "the greatest guys in Michigan." The group takes part in weekly meetings at Baker's Restaurant in Milford. There are some 1,000 cars usually on display.

Rebmann takes part in similar mini-rallies on Tuesdays at the VFW Hall at Schoolcraft and Inkster and on Wednesdays — with a group called the West Side Rod Customs — at Joy Manor at Joy Road and Middlebelt.

"It's nice to be with the younger generation because they're up on what's happening," said Rebmann, who has been married to Lynn for 38 years. "It's nice to be with that generation, and the link is street rods."

bkadrich@oe.hometownlife.com (734) 459-2700

Carrier delivers more than paper

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

It was all in a recent day's work for a Plymouth Observer newspaper carrier.

Nicholas Lazich, 9, was delivering the paper — just like he has for the past four months — to a home on Hartsough Street when he smelled something strange.

"I was delivering the papers to the house and I smelled gas," Nicholas said. "I told my mom and dad, and they were with me, and they called police."

Fortunately, the gas leak didn't result in a dangerous situation because of Nicholas'

timeliness in reporting the incident.

That wasn't all. A short time later, Nicholas saw water spouting onto nearby Harvey Street.

"I saw the water leakage and I told my mom," Nicholas said. "She told my dad, and he called the fire department."

The result was a water main break that had yet to be reported.

Nicholas' mom, Marissa, said she's not too surprised by her son's actions.

"He's always aware of things around him," she said. "He pays attention and wants to help people. We've tried to instill that in him, and he's learned

that from being a Cub Scout at Smith (Elementary)."

Troy Gibson, the Plymouth-area sales manager for the Observer & Eccentric, said he's only known Nicholas for a short time, but he's also not surprised at the young carrier's alertness.

"Nicholas seems to be very conscientious, and is doing a great job," Gibson said.

"He's very reliable, we've had no complaints, and I haven't had any problems with him at all. He's the kind of carrier we're looking for."

Nicholas has some tips for his fellow newspaper carriers:



Nicholas Lazich

"You should always keep your eyes open, and if something happens call 9-1-1," he said.

tbruscato@oe.hometownlife.com (734) 459-2700

Property values on the rise

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Owning a home in Plymouth and Plymouth Township is resulting in a better rate of return than many other investments.

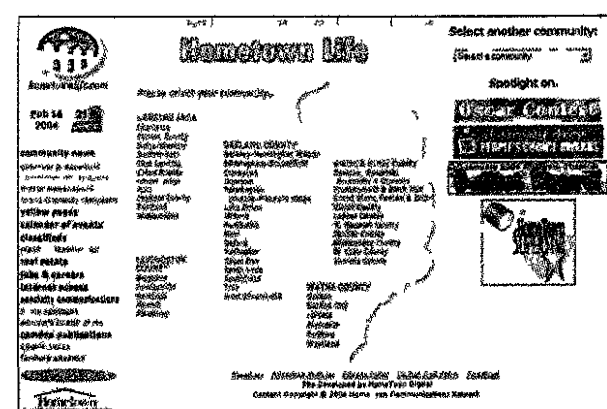
Residential assessments in Plymouth are up an average 4.8 percent, while Plymouth Township homeowners saw an increase of 3.05 percent, according to figures released by Wayne County tax assessor Gary Evanko. Property tax rates in Wayne County increased an average 4.62 percent in 2003.

"That's good, especially when your home is one of your largest investments," said John McLenaghan, chief appraiser for Plymouth Township. "It's good to know the value is going up and is protected by Proposal A. No matter how much the value goes up, the taxes go up only by the cost of living."

As a result of the passage of Proposal A in 1994, property taxes can only go up by the rate of inflation or a maximum 5 percent, whichever is less. This year, property taxes will go up 2.3 percent.

As long as someone hasn't put on an addition to their home or bought a house this year, they'll have a

PLEASE SEE PROPERTY, A4



This photo illustrates the newly redesigned home page of our Web portal site, HometownLife.com. On the left is a 'navigation bar,' a convenient way for readers to get to specific places on the site. In the middle is a listing of all the communities served by newspapers belonging to the HometownLife.com family. On the right side are ads highlighting special values and consumer opportunities.

Redesigned Web site offers more news, information

Readers of the Plymouth Observer are invited to access HometownLife.com, the most rapidly growing community-based Internet site in Michigan.

Now entirely redesigned for easier use, and offering many new features, HometownLife.com provides local news, community information and

classified ads from the Plymouth Observer, as well as business listings from its sister "yellow pages" telephone directories, according to Phil Power, chairman of Hometown Communications Network, Inc., the company that owns the Observer.

"It's been a little more

PLEASE SEE WEB SITE, A4

MRS. FIELDS COOKIES
Hiring for full and part time help
Must be able to work days & nights
Great Response! We hired 2 people
K Livonia
1-800-579-SELL
PUT OUR CLASSIFIEDS TO WORK FOR YOU!

CONTACT US
Newsroom (734) 459-2700
Newsroom fax (734) 459-4224
Classifieds 1-800-579-SELL
Home del. very 1-866-88-PAPER
HomeTown COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

INDEX

Apartments	F7	Jobs	F9
At Home	C1	Movie Guide	E6
Automotive	G3	Obituaries	C7
Classified Index	F5	Real Estate	F5
Crossword Puzzle	F6	Sports	B1
For The Record	A4	Taste	D1

AMERICAN PROFILE
The Dvorak family of Perry, Okla. has been involved in Future Farmers of America for three generations.

LOOKING AHEAD
American Profile
The Dvorak family of Perry, Okla. has been involved in Future Farmers of America for three generations.



Washington Mutual The Power of Yes®
HOME LOANS
We're your new neighbor... 17909 Haggerty Road • Northville • 248-374-4501

TEEN EXPERT SPEAKS

The LIFE TEEN ministry of Our Lady of Good Counsel of Plymouth hosts national Catholic youth leader Mark Hart Feb. 29-March 1. Hart is the author of the popular teen book, *Ask the Bible Geek: Answers to Questions from Catholic Teens*.

Mark Hart is an award-winning producer and writer for LIFE TEEN International, a worldwide ministry for teenagers. In addition to his book, Hart's videos and commercials have been seen on television and at NFL games. He is best known under his pen name Bible Geek, publishing bi-weekly scripture periodicals through www.lifeteen.com. All area teens are invited to hear Hart speak following the 5 p.m. Mass Sunday, Feb. 29. His talk will incorporate the components of teen life - God, home, parents, school, friends and dating. It will be fast-paced and relevant to the complex lives of teens today. There is no cost for this Life Night program, which includes food, fellowship and fun.

For parents, grandparents and concerned adults, OLCG hosts Hart on Monday evening, March 1, for a benefit/fund-raising dinner. He will address the issues teens and their parents face today. For ticket information, call Mary Ann Jenkins at (734)

453-0326, Ext. 243. Our Lady of Good Counsel is located at 47650 N. Territorial. For more information, contact the LIFE TEEN office at (734) 453-0326, Ext. 243, or jenkinsma@olgparish.net.

FINANCIAL PLANNING

The Plymouth District Library hosts the second program in its "Financial Planning for 2004 and Beyond" series at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 3.

Sarah Talley, a public affairs specialist for the Social Security Administration, presents the program, "Social Security & You."

Register for this free program online at plymouthlibrary.org by calling (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.

DAR MEETS

The Daughters of the American Revolution-Sarah Anne Cochran Chapter Plymouth-Northville host a sandwich luncheon at noon Monday, March 15, at the Plymouth District Library.

Dr. Nancy Couch will be the guest speaker, presenting the program "Advanced Directive-Living Wills." All DAR members and potential members are welcome.

For more information, call Bonnie Berg, (734) 495-0811.

OPEN SKATE TIMES

The City of Plymouth offers open skating five days a week at the Plymouth Cultural Center.

Open skating takes place from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesdays, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Fridays, 11 a.m.-12:50 p.m. Thursdays, and 4-5:50 p.m. Sundays.

Fees are \$4 for adults, \$3 for children and seniors, skate rental is \$2.

The open skate line is (734) 455-1782, pro shop number is (734) 207-1717.

POETRY CONTEST

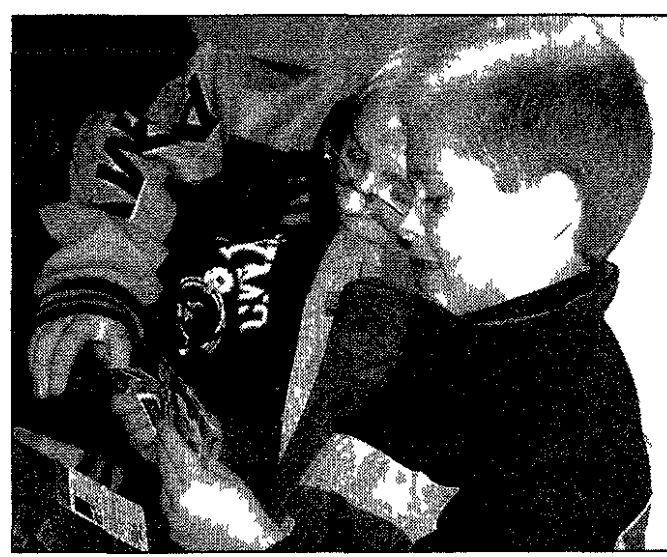
The International Library of Poetry will award some \$58,000 in prizes in the International Poetry Contest this year.

Poets from the Plymouth area, particularly beginners, are welcome. Deadline is May 31 and the contest is open to everyone, with no entry fee.

To enter, send one original poem on any subject and in any style to The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19919, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117.

The poem should be 20 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear at the top of the page.

Entries must be postmarked or sent via the Internet by May 31. Poets may also enter online



DONALD J. ALLEY

While supplies last

Kyle and Kris Strzeszynski (left to right) ages 12 and 6, from Canton, check out the packs of Plymouth Whalers cards handed out before the game Saturday night versus the Kitchener Rangers.

at www.poetry.com

SALVATION ARMY PRESCHOOL

The Plymouth Salvation Army is opening registration for its preschool programs for Fall 2004.

The program for 3-year-olds runs Tuesday and Thursday, while the program for 4-year-olds runs Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

For more information, call Peggy at (734) 459-1358 or (734) 453-5464, Ext. 25.

INTERNET CRIME

Wayne County Community College District's Workforce Development and Continuing Education Division is teaming up with the Wayne County Sheriff's Training Unit to help prevent Internet crime.

Officer Ray Johnson, of the Wayne County Sheriff's Department's Internet Crimes Unit, will conduct an interactive training session on Internet Safety, Saturday, February 28, 2004 at

WCCCD's Western Campus, located at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville, MI, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Room B-206.

According to the Wayne County Sheriff's Department, the most frequent crimes encountered on the Internet are child safety, fraud, cyber stalking, viruses, hacking, intrusion, and identity theft. Officer Johnson will address these topics and more, demonstrating proactive methods for you to institute to keep your family safe.

Parents and seniors are especially invited to attend. There is no charge to participate. Pre-registration is suggested, as space is limited. For additional information, contact the WCCCD Information Center at (313) 496-2600, or log onto www.wcccd.edu.

FROSTBITE DELIGHT

Fox Hills hosts a two-person scramble, "Frostbite Delight," Saturday, Feb. 28.

Tea times begin at 10 a.m. for this \$44-per-team event, which includes nine holes of golf, hot beverages, chili and sloppy Joe bar. The event, Fox Hills officials warn, "is not for the fair-weather golfer, so pull out your warmest gloves and furriest hat."

Reservations are required. Call (734) 453-7272 for more details.

CANTON 6

Ford Rd 1 Mile W of I 275 (734)
\$5.99 Kids all shows 3:44-FILM
\$7.99 Students & Late Show Fri & Sat
\$5.00 DAILY Madness til 5pm ALL SCREENS DIGITAL STEREO
 No Passes
 Unlimited Free Drink & 25¢ Corn Refills

MOVIE GUIDE

A Hot Ribbon Pick

THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST
 SHOWTIMES 2/27-3/04
 THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST (R)
 11:00 3:30 6:30 9:00 11:30
 6:30 (CASH REF. 6:30 FEB. 29)
 FRI/SAT 11:45
 TWISTED (R) 11:50 2:05 4:35 6:50
 9:00 FRI/SAT 11:15
 WELCOME TO MOUSEPORT PG 3
 11:20 1:50 4:15 7:05 9:35
 FRI/SAT 11:45
 CONFESSIONS OF A TEENAGE DRAMA QUEEN PG 2:00 2:30 4:40 7:00 9:25
 FRI/SAT 11:45
 50 FIRST DATES PG 13 11:45 2:15 4:30
 7:10 9:30 FRI/SAT 11:30
 MIRACLE (PG)
 11:00 1:40 4:20 7:00 9:40

FREE 20¢ DRINK
 with \$5 purchase
 of 40¢ bag of hot spicy popcorn
 (separate purchase of \$2.00)
BEST DEAL in a neighborhood!
 www.canton6.com

TROUBLE BREATHING?

Do you experience
Shortness of Breath
Chronic Cough
Sputum Production

Has a doctor ever told you that you have
EMPHYSEMA or COPD?

You may be eligible to participate in a research study evaluating
INVESTIGATIONAL
NEW TREATMENTS for COPD
 (Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease).

We are now actively recruiting participants. To qualify:
 You must be 40 to 80 years of age and have smoked one pack of cigarettes a day for at least 10 years.

Qualified participants will receive respiratory evaluations and instructions, study related medical care and study medication. Subjects will not be charged for taking part in these investigational studies.

For more information about taking part in this study or to register for consideration in future studies, please call:
Pulmonary Research Institute of Southeast Michigan
(248) 478-6561

Winter Sale!

Ebenezer's Gallery of Vintage Treasures
 (Six Minutes from Knightsbridge Mall)
February 27, 28 & 29

15% Off Everything

Art Glass • Pottery • Porcelain
 Paintings • Prints • Engravings
 Furniture • Rugs • Sterling
 Costume Jewelry • Watches
 Books • Antique Collectibles

(Hours Tuesday - Saturday 11:00am to 5:00pm)

198 W. Liberty at Starkweather (Northville Rd.)
 Plymouth (Old Village), MI 48170
734-354-1999

Greenhills School
6-12th Grade Information Night
Plymouth District Library
March 4, 7:00 pm

Meet Greenhills parents and students from Plymouth/Canton, and find out why your child should be a Greenhills student.

Some facts to talk about:

- 100% of the Class of 2003 attended a selective college or university
- 11% of the Class of 2003 were National Merit or National Achievement finalists
- 65% of the Class of 2003 received special recognition as Advanced Placement Scholars
- Greenhills' Class C athletic program is ranked #1 in the state
- 84% of Middle School students and 75% of High School students play on at least one athletic team
- 90% of students are involved in music, drama or art
- 21% of the student body are people of color
- 15 is the average number of students per class
- 15% of Greenhills students receive financial aid

850 Greenhills Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
734-769-4010

admission@greenhillsschool.org
 www.greenhillsschool.org

Greenhills School

Inquire now. 6th-12th grade. Financial aid available. Greenhills School admits students of any race, color, or national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school.

PLYMOUTH Observer
 www.hometownlife.com

HOW TO REACH US

Susan Rosiek Executive Editor (734) 953-2100 srosiek@oe.homecomm.net	Keely Kaleski Filter Editor (734) 953-2105 kkaleski@oe.homecomm.net
Hugh Gallagher Managing Editor (734) 953-2149 hgallagher@oe.homecomm.net	Frank Cibor Retail Sales Manager (734) 953-2177 fcibor@oe.homecomm.net
Brad Kadrich Community Editor (734) 459-2700 bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net	Lisa Walker-Kadrich Retail Advertising Rep (734) 953-2168 lwalker@oe.homecomm.net
Paul Hurschmann Photo Editor (734) 953-2136 phurschmann@oe.homecomm.net	

Newsroom (734) 459-2700 **Fax** (734) 459-4224
Sports Nightline (734) 953-2104
Circulation/Customer Service 1-888-PAPER (866 887 2737)
Classified Advertising 1-800-579-SELL (7355)
Display Advertising (734) 953-2153

For information about page/photo reprints call Carol McCloud, marketing manager at (734) 953-2010

Circulation Business Hours/Subscription Rates
 Monday Tuesday Wednesday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Sunday 8 a.m. to noon

If you missed a delivery please call by 6 p.m. Thursday and 11 a.m. Sunday

Carrier Delivery	Mail Delivery
One year \$51.00	One year (in county) \$72.95
For senior citizen rate please call 1 866 887 2737	One year (out of county) \$108.95

POSTAL PERIODICAL REQUIREMENTS
 The Plymouth Observer. Publication NO. USPS 436-360. Published every Thursday and Sunday. Periodical postage is paid at Livonia, Michigan 48150.

A HomeTown Communications Network publication
 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150

CBC MPA SN GDM
 Greater Detroit Newspaper Network

Visit the Observer online at www.hometownlife.com

Maltese hopes new building cements firm's Plymouth roots

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Dominic Maltese knew when he moved his development company, DJ Maltese Construction/Services, from Dearborn to Plymouth the time would eventually come when he'd need more space.

That time is now. Maltese, who moved to a small, leased office in November 2002, last week got site-plan approval on a new 8,500-square-foot building on Harvey, adjacent to the Plymouth-Canton Schools board office.

There's still the matter of seeking a height variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals, but Maltese hopes to break ground on the new building by the end of March.

"We're very excited," said Maltese, whose family has been in the construction business for some six generations.

"We had a new building in Dearborn, and when we moved here, it was temporary, and we knew that (The new building) is going to be awesome."

Maltese's new building is a three-story, brick with stone surroundings, with copper roof dormers and "a lot of landscaping," he said.

Maltese called it "elegant, very fitting for downtown Plymouth."

As it stands now, the building would be 33 feet high, in a zoning that calls for a 30-foot limit. Maltese says the extra footage is required in order to install an elevator to the third floor, and also to compete height-wise with the school board offices.

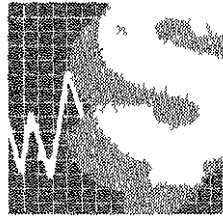
"We didn't want to be dwarfed by it," Maltese said.

There are also parking issues to be resolved between the two buildings, but Maltese feels they'll be settled and hopes to have his building completed by the end of the year.

Most of the first floor of the building will be occupied by



The City of Plymouth Planning Commission last week gave site plan approval to D J Maltese for a new building at Ann Arbor Trail and Harvey, pending results of one issue before the Zoning Board of Appeals.



@ Work

Business: DJ Maltese Construction
Address: 630 S Main
Principal: Dominic Maltese
Established: 1946
Principal products: Development/construction services
Number of employees: 12

We had a new building in Dearborn and when we moved here it was temporary and we knew that (The new building) is going to be awesome.

— Dominic Maltese

Maltese and WhiteROCK specializes the specialties imprinting company run by his brother Joe and Joe's wife Rita. Maltese will lease out the top floor.

WhiteROCK specializes in getting anything from company logos to lists of names imprinted on products as wide-ranging as T-shirts and Frisbees. WhiteROCK essentially spun off of the construction company when the brothers found themselves using many of the imprinted products — pens, shirts, rulers, etc.

Maltese moved his DJ Maltese Construction/Services firm to Plymouth when he recognized that a lot of his clientele base — and his company's growth area — had moved out this way, so his company just followed it from its.

So far, he's been happy with the move, and the new building is a way to solidify it.

"We wanted to make a permanent presence in downtown Plymouth," Maltese said. Plymouth has been good to us. We've been well-received here.

More information on DJ Maltese Construction/Services can be found on the company's Web site www.djmaltese.com or by calling (734) 737-0500. More information about WhiteROCK can be found on the company's Web site www.whiterockspecialties.com or by calling (734) 737-0600.

bkae_ch@oehomecomm.net
(734) 459-2700

Dead, dying ash trees a threat of their own

The phrase natural catastrophe is usually associated with things like hurricanes, tornadoes and forest fires, not little green bugs from China.

Yet, the emerald ash borer is responsible for killing more than 6 million trees in southeast Michigan, a fact state and local officials believe should warrant federal disaster relief.

The large number of dead ash trees, which are common in suburban subdivisions, pose a public hazard that many municipalities are trying hard to abate. However, most municipalities, because of limited resources, are only cutting down dead trees on public properties, including right-of-ways. That leaves millions of ash trees on private property, which are potential hazards to homes and electric wires.

According to James McRay, the emerald ash borer spokesman for the Michigan Department of Agriculture, once an ash tree is infested with the emerald ash borer, it takes between three and five years to die. In 2002, it was discovered in six southeast Michigan counties, which means many trees will be dead this summer.

In the core area of the infestation, which is southern Oakland County and western Wayne County, biologists expect 80 percent of the ash trees to die.

"We definitely think they're a hazard. Back in November, we met with numerous local governments at a Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) meeting to see if we could get federal emergency money to help with the problem," McRay said.

Since that meeting, the state has applied for funding through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). "That application is sitting there. It's caught up in the process right now. But we're hoping we can get some relief dollars," he said.

Most of the communities in the core zone can't wait for possible relief money, because dead and dying trees on public properties such as parks and right-of-ways are a potential liability for municipalities. As a result, communities have been concentrating on taking those trees down.

But that doesn't mean the communities aren't concerned about dead ash trees on private property.

Many of the core communities, including Birmingham, Livonia and Westland, have ordinances in place prohibiting residents from having dead trees on their property because they pose a public hazard.

James Zoumbaris, Livonia's superintendent of public services, said there are at least 3,000 ash trees on private property

within Livonia. Although officials are worried about the problem, he doesn't think the city is ready to start writing violations.

"There is an ordinance, in which either the city or a contractor would go to the property, cut down the tree and bill the owner. But I don't think there is a mayor or city council around that's willing to take that on yet," he said.

The liability for dead trees on private property shifts to the property owner, which is why insurance companies are also keeping a close eye on the situation. Most companies, including AAA and Nationwide, won't cover damages resulting from dead trees in most circumstances.

"If homeowners have a dead tree in their yard, they should protect their homes by getting it cut down. If you know that there is a dead tree, you could have some exclusions in your insurance coverage. If you are aware of the situation and your tree falls on your neighbor's house, you are liable for the damages," said Sherry Mayfield, a homeowners claim consultant for AAA Michigan.

Another potential hazard is that dead trees will fall onto power lines, causing power failures. DTE Energy has 2.1 million electric customers in southeast Michigan. Most of those customers live in the core zone of the ash borer infestation.

According to spokesman Len Singer, most power failures are related to falling tree limbs. He estimates there are 3.5 million trees that pose a potential power line intrusion, many of which are ash trees.

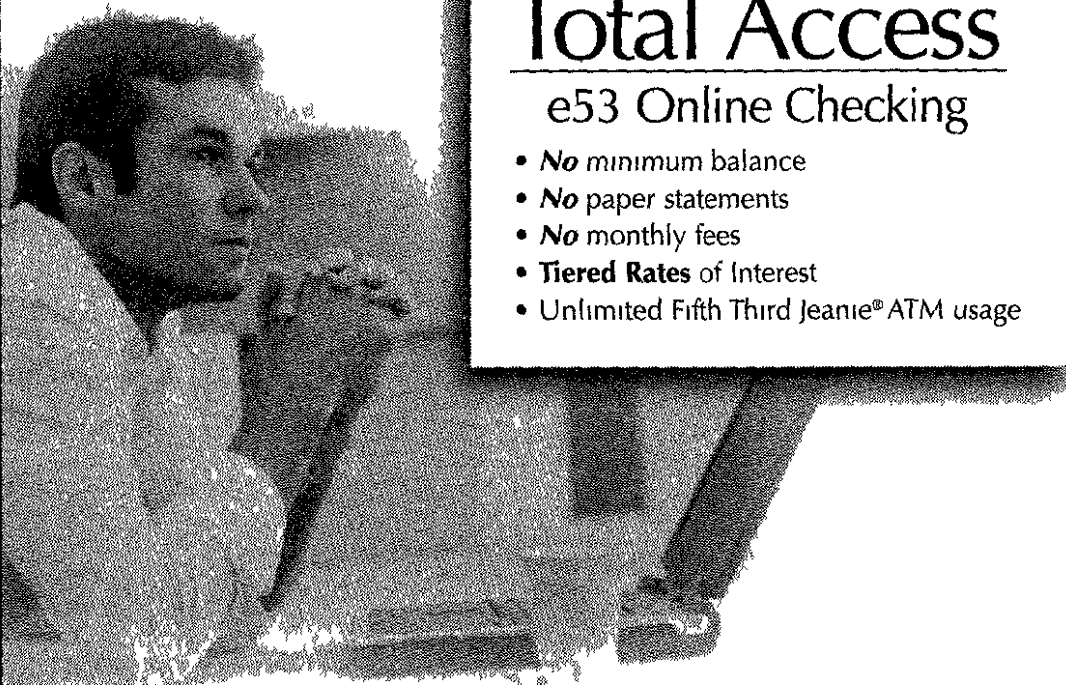
"It's too early to tell if emerald ash borer is going to exacerbate the problem or not, but we are watching the situation as it develops," Singer said.

Last summer DTE did begin an emerald ash borer policy. Normally when company crews trim trees around power lines, they will take most of the branches with them. Because of the state's quarantine on ash tree products, they will not remove ash tree branches. Instead, they will leave them in the yards of residents.

"When it comes to ash trees, we're following the quarantine from the state. We will be leaving the logs cut up, as well as small branches and debris behind to make sure we're not spreading the bug. People can either burn them in fireplaces or dispose of them in the proper places," Singer said.

Currently the Michigan Department of Agriculture has several marshaling yards where people can drop off all ash tree products. For locations of the yards, visit the department's Web site at www.michigan.gov/mda and click on Emerald Ash Borer.

"I want my banking and bill payment Free online"



Total Access

e53 Online Checking

- No minimum balance
- No paper statements
- No monthly fees
- Tiered Rates of Interest
- Unlimited Fifth Third Jeanie® ATM usage

"Fifth Third Checking has the access I want."

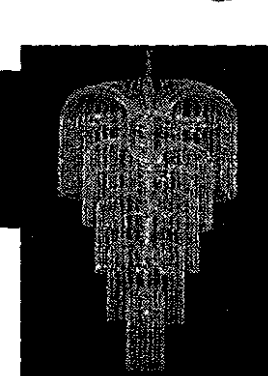
CALL 1-877-579-5353 | WALK-IN Over 950 Locations
VISIT www.53.com

New Banking Centers Now Open!
Warren, West Bloomfield, Dearborn,
Royal Oak and Farmington Hills.

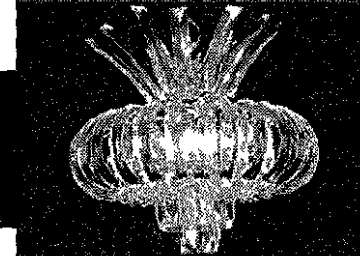
Fifth Third Bank
Working Hard To Be The Only Bank You'll Ever Need™

Accounts closed within 180 days of account opening will be charged \$25. Returned check fees or overdraft fees apply to all checking accounts. Offer subject to change. Fifth Third and Fifth Third Bank are registered service marks of Fifth Third Bancorp. Member FDIC.

Super Savings!
Don't Miss Out!!!

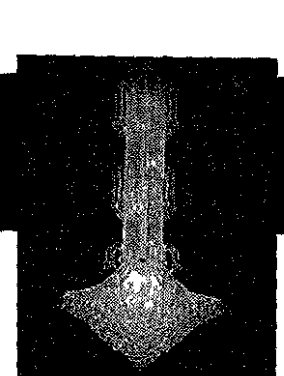


Waterfall Crystal
Available in Chrome or Gold and Different Sizes



Optic Acrylic Collection
\$249.00

A Huge Selection of Acrylic Lighting Available in Many Styles and Sizes



Crystal Chandelier
Available in Different Sizes and Finishes



Queen Sleigh Bed
Complete Queen Bedroom
NOW \$2,499.00
Great Value!
Box & Mattress Extra
King Size Available



China Buffet, Table, 4 Side Chairs & 2 Arm Chairs
NOW \$2,999.00
Tremendous Value!



Sofa \$749.00
Loveseat \$699.00
Available in Different Fabrics and Styles

M-F 10-8
SAT 10-7
SUN 12-5

MILAN 2000
FURNISHINGS LTD.

Metro Detroit's
Largest Lighting
Showroom

15870 Middlebelt • Livonia (Between 5 & 6 Mile)
734.421.0200

©200190028

FOR THE RECORD

DEATHS

B
 Kenneth D Barnett II
 Barnett, 55, of Canton died Feb 19
 Dorothy Fry (Dot) Bailey
 Bailey, 75, of Farmington Hills died Feb 18
 Cleomontine R Belling
 Belling, 88, of Sterling Heights died Feb 5

C
 Raymond L. Christensen
 Christensen, 56, of Garden City, died Feb 17

D
 Elizabeth Joan Darin
 Darin, 71, of Birmingham, died Feb 18
 John J. Daul
 Daul, 73, of Farmington, died Feb 19

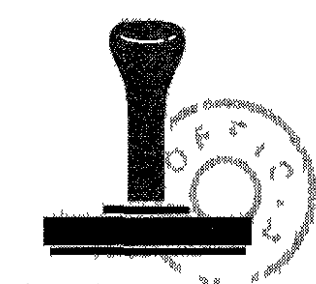
Mary Drukas
 Drukas, 91, of Bloomfield Hills, died Feb 4

H
 Arthur Herbert Hogarth
 Hogarth, 81, of Livonia, died Feb 17

J
 Mae E Jaruzel
 Jaruzel 80, of Pontiac, died Feb 1

Richard H. Johnson
 Johnson, 67, of Rochester Hills, died Feb 1

K
 Sister Marjorie Koerner
 Koerner 89, of Farmington Hills,



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's At Home section in Passages on page C7

died Feb 18
 Melvin C Kruger
 Kruger 84, of Rochester died Feb 4

M
 Marlon L. Miley
 Miley, of Troy died Feb 14

S
 Lynn T Schlicher
 Schlicher, 80, died Feb 16

W
 Robert T Williams
 Williams 75 died Feb 18

Lawrence A Wood
 Wood 66 of Westland died Feb 5

Z
 Joseph M Zawadzki
 Zawadzki 67 of Canton, died Feb 16

WEB SITE

FROM PAGE A1

than three years since we launched our Internet portal, HomeTownLife.com," said Power "During that time, it has grown beyond what any of us dreamed. The site registered 36 million hits and 650,000 visitors viewed 2,341,000 pages during January alone - a 300-percent increase over last January! With our bright new redesign just coming onstream, we expect further rapid growth

"Our subsidiary company, HomeTown Digital, Inc., manages the HomeTownLife.com site," Power added "As of this week, we have outsourced the back-end operations of the site to On Line Technologies Corporation, of Ann Arbor

"Our relationship with On Line Technologies will bring our users a steady stream of new, user-friendly features. For our advertisers, the relationship will bring access to better technology and new, improved Internet products that will provide increased user traffic and better advertising results and value

"We're excited about the prospect of adding features to our HomeTownLife.com site, said Power "We're interested in your reactions to them

Just contact us at feedback@HomeTownLife.com" Available to Web users in Plymouth and Plymouth Township, HomeTownLife.com offers

Selected local news stories from the Plymouth Observer, as well as your complete hometown community calendar Archived news stories can be searched online by key word, while the community calendar can be searched by date and by type of event Also available is a complete listing of local resources, such as government offices, schools, churches and service clubs Page views of news items on HomeTownLife.com jumped to nearly 900,000 in January, compared with barely 60,000 in January 2003

Classified ads from the Plymouth Observer These ads may be browsed or searched by key word This part of the site includes ads from all our sister publications and is Michigan's largest source of local classified advertising

"Hot Listings" for jobs, rentals, autos and real estate - a highlighted area of the HomeTownLife.com site - may be searched by Plymouth Observer readers looking for specially good deals Users looking for jobs registered 346,148 page views this January, making HomeTownLife.com one of the most highly used help wanted sites in Michigan

What do you want to do?

- See up to date news stories and the community calendar from the Plymouth Observer? Click on the name of your community on the HomeTownLife.com home page
- Search classified ads from the Plymouth Observer, as well as ads from sister hometown newspapers in Michigan? Click on "classified advertising" on the home page
- Place a classified ad in the Plymouth Observer? Just click the "place an ad" button on the HomeTownLife.com home page
- Subscribe to the paper?
- Local real estate advertising from the Plymouth Observer Through special arrangement with Realcomp II, Ltd, the site receives daily updated listings from this multi-list service, as well as information about listing brokers and real estate agents Real estate listings in HomeTownLife.com may be searched by local community, by address, by MLS number, by school district, by broker and by agent In January, HomeTownLife.com users pulled up a total of 3,664,600 MLS listings, up 1.4 million from last year, while users viewed in detail 366,500 MLS listings
- Local yellow page listings and ads taken from local telephone directories published by our sister company, HomeTown Directories HomeTownLife.com users may search this robust database by name of local community, by county and by type of business - "accountants," for example Readers of the Plymouth Observer may use the HomeTownLife.com site to place a classified ad, subscribe to paid newspapers and submit items for the community calendar - all online News content and classified ads on the site are updated at 6 a.m. on the date of publication of the Plymouth Observer



PROPERTY

FROM PAGE A1

taxable increase of 2.3 percent," said Plymouth Finance Director Mark Christiansen "If you bought a house last year, the taxable value will escalate to this year's assessed value, and that can be very substantial After that, the cap starts all over again"

Assessments for industrial property in Plymouth was up 14.8 percent, while commercial property increased 11.7 percent

In Plymouth Township industrial property was up 13.6 percent while commercial property went up 3.3 percent

Christiansen said higher assessments don't necessarily mean big returns for the municipality

"It doesn't translate into a huge revenue differential for the city," Christiansen said "We will have a very small increase, if any, in tax revenues despite the fact there is a nearly five percent increase in assessments"

The good news for homeowners is that property values are going up

"When the SEV (state equalized value) goes up it shows the area has appreciated, and we all like that," said K.C. Mueller, a Plymouth Township Realtor with Remerica "When the assessment goes up, so does the value of our investment"

Christiansen said assessments showed the largest gains in the older suburban areas

Ecorse had the largest increase of Wayne County's 43 communities at 13.46 percent, followed by Flat Rock at 9.41 per-

UPS AND DOWNS

Here's a look at some of the neighborhoods in the Plymouth community and how assessments have been affected from 2002 to 2003

CITY OF PLYMOUTH

Top increases:	
CBD Residential	+23.18%
Arbor Croft Sub	+16.71%
Old Village	+13.32%
South Harvey corridor	+11.87%
Sunset/Blunk (S of Farmer)	+10.15%
Top decreases:	
Fred Garling homes	10.46%
East perimeter	-9.35%
Park Entrance Estates	-8.85%
Condos:	
Plymouth Park West	+22.33%
Casa Grande Condos	+18.32%
Royal York Condos	9.71%
Plymouth Square/Tonquish	5.67%

PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP

Top increases:	
Woodbrook	+10%
Beacon Meadows	+8.5%
Plymouth Gardens	+8%
Top decreases:	
Portsmouth Crossing	-10%
Plymouth Meadows	-5%
Condos:	
Plymouth Corners	+8%
Sycamore Valley	+8%
New England Corners	-5%

central business district at more than 23 percent In the opposite direction, the Fred Garling homes on the city's east side off S. Mill Street were down more than 10 percent

McLenaghan said Wood Brook showed the highest increase, up 10 percent, while Portsmouth Crossing declined 10 percent

You have your mother's eyes and your father's nose. But we can fix that.

Cosmetic surgery Now at three locations.

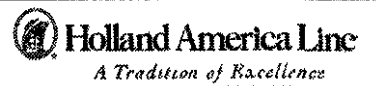
Feeling good about your appearance is an essential part of emotional health and well being. And deciding if cosmetic surgery is right for you starts with understanding the procedures and their benefits. At Oakwood you'll find the areas leading cosmetic surgeons trained in the most advanced approaches for the face, breast, body and skin. What's more, we offer three locations - Oakwood Healthcare Centers in Canton and Plymouth and Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center in Dearborn. To make an appointment, call 800.543.WELL or visit www.oakwood.org



Oakwood Healthcare Center - Canton
 Oakwood Healthcare Center - Plymouth
 Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center - Dearborn

PDF0E08183304

ALASKA CRUISES



VIEW VERANDAH SALE

Book an Alaska Cruise by February 29, 2004 and receive up to a 5-category stateroom upgrade (available on select departures)

- May Sailings 5 Category Upgrade - Inside to Outside Staterooms
- June Sailings 3 Category Upgrade - Inside to Outside Staterooms
- July Sailings 2 Category Upgrade - Inside to Outside Staterooms

7-Day Glacier Bay Inside Passage Cruises • Vancouver roundtrip

ms Volendam Wednesday Departures	May 5 12 19 26 Jun 2 9 16 23 30 Jul 7 14 21 28 Aug 4 11 18 25 Sep 1 8 15 22
ms Ryndam Friday Departures	May 7 Sep 17
ms Zaandam Saturday Departures	May 15 22 29 Jun 5 12 19 26 Jul 3 10 17 24 31 Aug 7 14 21 28 Sep 4 11 18
ms Statendam Sunday Departures	Sep 12 19
ms Veendam Sunday Departures	Sep 19

Holland America's exclusive new Glacier Bay Inside Passage cruise not only features spectacular Glacier Bay National Park but also spotlights Alaska's best kept secret - the twin Sawyer Glaciers in Tracy Arm. With rustic, frontier friendly ports - Juneau, Skagway and Ketchikan - and two major glacier viewing experiences, there's no better way to sail roundtrip from Vancouver.

	May Sailings	June Sailings	July Sailings
Inside Staterooms from	\$849	\$949	\$1,049
Outside Staterooms from	\$899	\$1,099	\$1,249
Verandah Suites	\$1,269	\$1,799	\$2,059
	VO 5/6 RY 5/7 VO 5/12 VO 6/2 & 6/9		VO 7/7

Call

238 S. Main
 Plymouth
 734.453.4100

All fares include promotional upgrades. Fares are per person based on double occupancy in the mid-main category. Tax is \$10 in U.S. dollars and includes port of embarkation charges. Taxes are additional. Subject to availability. Offers are capacity controlled and may be modified without notice. Restrictions may apply. Please refer to Holland America's 2004 Alaska & The Yukon brochure for full terms and conditions. Ship registry: The Netherlands. ©2004 Holland America Line

Please recycle this newspaper

Ficano promotes county as leader

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Declaring that regionalism is here, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano said county government is set to play a key role in developing regional answers to government problems



"When it came to regional problems and challenges, Wayne County stepped up," Ficano said recently in his second State of the County address. "And Wayne County will keep stepping up because regional solutions are what these times require and what our future demands."

"Whether we all want to admit it or not, regionalism is here — and it's time for government to address it head on. Wayne County is ready. The people have already voted for regionalism with their lifestyle choices."

Ficano said Wayne County government is "leaner yet stronger" than when he took office a year ago. Ficano was elected in 2002 following the retirement of Edward H. McNamara after 16 years as Wayne County executive.

"We balanced our books," Ficano said. "We stopped the old ways of doing business in the county. We put new systems and accountability in place to make government operate better — and today our books are still balanced."

Ficano said the county has been able to erase a \$54 million deficit without service cuts or layoffs.

Ficano said that losing operation of Detroit Metro Airport to an independent authority has forced the county to redefine its role as a major player in regional solutions to the area's problems.

"Let me stress that regional does not mean more taxes," Ficano said. "People are already paying enough for government, and it's time to structure government to provide better services for people who live and work here."

Using the catch phrase "That's regionalism," Ficano announced several initiatives. He said the county, in cooperation with Michigan State University, would form a commission to study the feasibility of a regional criminal justice complex.

If this proved to be feasible, we'd reduce costs dramatically and we'd save money," Ficano said.

Ficano pointed to the plan worked out by the state, county and the city of Detroit to keep Receiving and Hutzel hospitals open as an example of regionalism. He said this could be a model for "leveraging" health care money regionally for Wayne, Macomb, Oakland and Washtenaw counties.

He said recently formed Greater Detroit Wayne County Economic Development Corp.'s first project will be opening a second border crossing for truck and rail traffic between the United States and Canada. Ficano said southeast Michigan is in a race with Buffalo, N.Y., that "if we lose, it's a loss we'll feel for 50 years."

Ficano said he has met resistance to some of his initiatives over the past year, particularly his moves to reform the Detroit-Wayne County Community Mental Health Agency. Ficano said outside auditors estimate the agency accumulated a two-year deficit at more than \$17.3 million.

Ball group: The games will continue

With the president of the Canton Community Junior Baseball/Softball Association facing felony embezzlement charges, association vice president Rich Rohn wants parents and players to know that the games will go on.

"Everything this year will go on as scheduled," he said. "Nothing is going to change. We want to make that clear."

Association president Harry Hill was charged in 35th

District Court last week with embezzlement of funds in excess of \$20,000. He was released on a \$20,000 personal bond and faces a preliminary exam on March 5.

Rohn said the board has been aware of the accusations against Hill since last November, but in conversations with Hill and the group's accountant, they had no reason to believe at this time that anything illegal had taken place.

He said the situation came to the board's attention when some vendors did not get paid and the money was not there to pay them.

He acknowledged that the accounting practices in the group were somewhat loose, but said that at the moment the all-volunteer group has no treasurer and when bills have to be paid someone has to deal with them.

He said some changes have

already been made in the way purchases are handled.

"A purchase order must be voted on and signed by a majority of board members before any order is placed," he said. "Invoices will not be paid without receipts against the purchase order."

He said all vendors have now been paid and the organization's financial situation is now fine. With more than 3,000 kids participating in spring

and summer league play last year, he said the group takes in about \$250,000 a year.

Are the charges against Hill putting the organization under a cloud?

"You always have rainy days," he said. "But the sun will shine again. One person isn't going to make or break the organization. We're here for the kids."

Anyone with questions about the organization can contact Rohn at (734)-812-9763.

GOING ON NOW! THE LOWEST PRICES ON FALL & WINTER STYLES!

red balloon clearance event

EXTRA 60% OFF

entire stock of green-dot clearance sportswear and dresses for Ladies, Petites and Parisian Woman for a total savings up to 80%!

EXAMPLE OF EXTRA SAVINGS:

Original Price	100.00
50% off	-50.00
Clearance Price	50.00
Extra 60% off	-30.00
Final Clearance Price	20.00

SAVINGS ARE OFF ORIGINAL PRICES. NO PRICE ADJUSTMENTS FOR PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED MERCHANDISE. INTERMEDIATE MARKDOWNS MAY HAVE BEEN TAKEN. EXCLUDES SHOES, INTIMATE APPAREL, FINE JEWELRY, ACCESSORIES, HOME AND COSMETICS.

look for the red balloons throughout the store!

FALL CLEARANCE BLOWOUT

HUGE SELECTION! TOP BRAND NAMES!

MEN'S SELECTION VARIES BY STORE

9.99 YOUR CHOICE Select knits, wovens and sweaters by Preswick & Moore. Orig. 28.00-48.00.

19.99 YOUR CHOICE Men's designer woven and knit shirts, sweaters and pants. Orig. 60.00-125.00.

CHILDREN'S

6.99 YOUR CHOICE Large selection of kids' playwear, sets and separates. Orig. 12.00-28.00.

JUNIORS' SELECTION VARIES BY STORE

9.99 YOUR CHOICE Young Contemporary sportswear separates. Orig. 16.00-30.00.

YOU'RE SOMEBODY SPECIAL

P·A·R·I·S·I·A·N

TO ORDER ANYTIME, CALL 1-800-424-8185 MONDAY THRU SATURDAY, 10:00 AM TO 10:00 PM EST, AND SUNDAY, 11:00 AM TO 7:00 PM EST.

American Express not accepted with phone orders. **STORE HOURS:** The Village of Rochester Hills (248) 276-8705 and Laurel Park Place (734) 983-7500 open Sun. 12-6 Mon. Sat. 10-9. **CHARGE IT!** Parisian Credit Card, MasterCard, Visa, the American Express® Card or Discover®. **LOCATED AT THE VILLAGE OF ROCHESTER HILLS, CORNER OF NORTH ADAMS ROAD AND WALTON STREET; AND LAUREL PARK PLACE IN LIVONIA, CORNER OF NEWBURGH ROAD AND SIX MILE ROAD.**

PDF060180747

THINKING ABOUT
A NEW
FURNACE
LENOX
FREE ESTIMATES
(734) 525-1930
Our 29th Year!
UNITED TEMPERATURE
8919 MIDDLEBELT • LIVONIA
0E08182222



OUR VIEWS

People make Plymouth proud, and vice versa

The story of the Plymouth Fife & Drum Corps serves as yet another reminder of all that is right with this community

It's a group of more than 50 people, nearly all of them between the ages of 12 and 18, who practice formally every week — aside from countless informal hours — for the sole purpose of participating in some thing that makes all of us look good

They carry the Plymouth banner all over the state, and to other parts of the country

Do they get paid for their time? Nope. Is it required work? Not at all. Are they effective ambassadors for Plymouth? You bet.

Are they alone in their efforts? Not a chance.

All one need do is look around to find people and organizations whose sole purpose it is to enhance and promote our community. And the best thing is, the vast majority of them do it for nothing. It's not a paid gig for them, it's something they do simply for love of community.

It's a year-round effort. Start in January with the Plymouth Ice Festival, the board of which is a volunteer service. Sure, organizer Mike Watts draws a salary, but it would be hard to argue the festival would be where it is without him, and without the board.

It goes on throughout the year. There's the Kiwanis Dog Jog, Art in the Park, Fall Festival, Annette Horn's Chili Cookoff. You've got the Plymouth Rotary Barbecue and the Kiwanis pancake breakfast. Fred Hill and his Briefcase Drill team are Plymouth fixtures for the Fourth of July and Thanksgiving standards for the rest of the state.

The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce works diligently to press Plymouth issues and positives. While the staff is paid, the bulk of the work is done in committee, made up of nothing but volunteers.

There are Lions and Goodfellows and Elks and Masons. There are youth groups and senior groups and Jaycees. There are countless individuals and other groups too numerous to mention who make sure people from Adrian to Zeeland are in on the Plymouth secret.

And Plymouth wouldn't be the same without them.

All one need do is look around to find people and organizations whose sole purpose it is to enhance and promote our community. And the best thing is, the vast majority of them do it for nothing.

Federal funds would help pay for replacing dead ash trees

The state of Michigan's application for federal disaster aid to deal with the millions of dead and dying trees resulting from the emerald ash borer infestation underscores how serious this crisis is.

An estimated 6 million ash trees have already succumbed to the Asian beetle, and the state agriculture department has declared Wayne and Oakland counties a "dead zone" in the fight to contain the carnage.

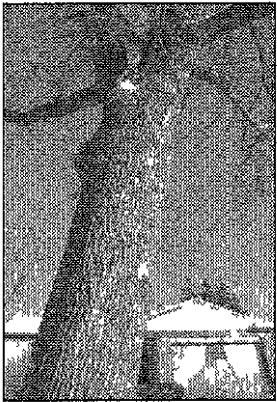
Simply put, it is expected that the vast majority of all ash trees in our communities will be dead within five years.

Beyond the aesthetic loss, local communities, school districts and property owners will be left with figuring out how to pay for removing the dead trees. Leaving the trees standing is not an option. Insurance companies are already warning that damage caused by dead trees toppling over will not be covered.

Michigan's Congressional delegation should push hard for Federal Emergency Management Agency funds to help cover the cost of removing and replacing the trees, estimated in the tens of millions of dollars.

The devastation caused by the emerald ash borer is less apparent now, but will become readily apparent with the onset of spring.

The first shock will be just how many more trees never sprout their spring foliage. The second shock will arrive in the form of invoices to pay for removing the trees from both public and private property.



LETTERS

Troubling propaganda

My parents and I were horrified to find flyers from the National Alliance on our porches and driveways in both Livonia and Plymouth, on both sides of I-275 the weekend of our King holiday.

This white supremacist group lists a post office box in Plymouth and is looking for support. They are desperate, and they are hurting financially, but they will not acknowledge it.

The white supremacist, neo-Nazi, KKK and Christian Identity groups have fortunately lost members in recent years. Their older founding members are dying off. Their younger leadership is failing due to internal dissension and ideological clashes. They need new members and we need to be vigilant to keep them from rising again.

Often unknown to parents, our children are exposed to their propaganda over the Internet, in books, song lyrics and in these racist flyers.

I was born and raised in Livonia. My parents have lived in southwest Livonia for 45 years. I am a product of the Livonia Public Schools. I now teach social studies at Plymouth High School. I am very established here and have a lasting investment in our communities.

It is as a teacher that I find this most troubling. As a kid I never thought I would unknowingly pick up this filth from the porch of the home where I was raised and deliver it into my parents' home! We have wonderful communities here in western Wayne County. Our school systems are prestigious. Our crime rate is low. Our property values are high. Our children go on to rewarding opportunities.

And we may have racist, ignorant white supremacists living among us.

As a US history teacher especially, I implore people to get their heads out of the sand and teach our children what these people represent, the threat they are to our country, our democracy, our peace and our future.

They profess patriotism and breed raw, unbridled hate. They emphasize white European ancestry, and they don't know their own history. They blame ABC, the NAACP and the Southern Poverty Law Center, and take no responsibility themselves. They attack and ridicule Dr. King and they quote ruthless former FBI director J. Edgar Hoover as a reference.

They can be as great a danger and threat to real American values like tolerance, acceptance, inclusion, brotherly love and lasting peace as Saddam Hussein, Kim Il Jung and Osama bin Laden. They're only more subtle and poorer. Are you watching?

This should horrify, offend and shock all of us into awareness and action. You shouldn't have to be Black to be concerned. I am a Japanese/German/Irish-American, the daughter of a survivor of the U.S. World War II concentration camps for Japanese-Americans, and Martin Luther King's image hangs above my fireplace in the most prominent place in my home. Where does he hang in your heart?

Parents especially, please help your children's teachers like me. Open your eyes and ears. Be vigilant. Teach your

children. Open their eyes and ears. Challenge racist thinking and speech every time you hear it and see it. Show these groups they're not welcome in our communities.

Then, have a bonfire with their poor, lame efforts to infect and recruit you!

Ann-Nora Hiram
Plymouth

Cigarette tax unfair

Gov. Jennifer Granholm is calling for a 75-cent per pack increase in the state's cigarette tax. Unfortunately, she is treading on the already paper thin skins of the constituents. The cigarette tax itself should be repealed and replaced with a tax that would be considered fair for all and placed across the board instead of targeting the poor, the working class and minorities. She is particularly targeting Detroit residents according to statistics obtained by cross-referencing the 2000 Census data with smoking statistics gathered by the CDC, whom are already treated unfairly and pay for more than their share of taxes in many situations. The citizens of Wayne County, as well as the rest of the state, should be concerned with the tactics that this Republican acting Democrat has been taking. Her political actions speak much more loudly than her feigned concern.

Many smokers have sat back so far and taken the abuse of government entities because they have been forced to be ashamed of their addictions. Smoking is a drug addiction. Drug addictions are disabilities. Persons with disabilities are supposed to be protected by the law, not taken advantage of by it. There are those who smoke still because they do get some pleasure from it. Think about those who are still smoking according to the statistics. They aren't able to afford many other perks in their lives. What a great idea, let's take advantage of these people.

My son is an elementary age student whom could tell you that the cigarette tax is not democratic.

Liberty by definition includes personal freedom, the right to think and act without government control, and economic freedom, the right to buy, sell and trade private property without the government interfering.

The Pursuit of Happiness, as long as you are not interfering with others, you have the right to seek happiness in your own way.

Justice, all people should be treated fairly in both the benefits and obligations of society. No individual or group should be favored over another person or group.

Equality, everyone has the right to the same treatment regardless of race, sex, religion, heritage or economic status.

You cannot in this society pick and choose whom you wish to treat unfairly. The cigarette tax is no more democratic than any other tax that has been imposed upon the people by government when the politicians decide to practice prejudice.

Marie M. Easley-Cook

Soft hands

Enough is enough. I'm sick and tired of hearing people describe the Vietnam era National Guard as though it were a safe haven for the sons of politicians,

connected folks and the occasional professional athlete.

Let me tell you, there was peril involved! I would defy anyone to look at the X-ray of Dan Quayle's tennis elbow and tell me "that didn't hurt."

Now we have these scurrilous rumors intimating that President George W. Bush was MIA for a year during his Air National Guard duty HOGWASH! The man showed his pay stubs and his honorable discharge. End of discussion!

Let me ask you this: Mr. tie-dyed protester and Ms. Jane Fonda wannabe. If in 1970 the Viet Cong had attempted to invade this country via Mexico, would you have been there to protect our southern border? I think NOT!

Instead, like at the Alamo, it would have been George W. and his fellow fortunate sons hacking and slashing at

Charlie, with 9 irons and tennis rackets and whatever else they could get their soft hands on.

Bless those boys!

William McCleverty

Why worry?

Phil Power offered more "jeers" about state budget cuts for universities, but I can't figure out why anybody is concerned.

What would happen, in the worst case, if the schools had to shut their doors? Would this result in an economic crisis in Michigan? Do we fear an exodus of businesses because they've lost the huge profit potential that results from geographical proximity to a government-subsidized university?

Or are Michigan employers so economically inept that they would freely value the location of a potential employee's education more than his qualifications?

So, other than the "privilege" of paying higher taxes, what economic benefit does business enjoy from a university that is unable to stand on its own financial feet? Let's get government out of the education business, completely, so that private alternatives arise that will drive down the cost and improve the quality of education. All this the market can and will provide without stealing from the taxpayer.

Jerry Smith

SHARE YOUR OPINIONS

We welcome your letters to the editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask that your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content.

Mail

Letters to the editor
Plymouth Observer
794 South Main
Plymouth MI 48170

Fax

(734) 459 4224

E-mail

bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net

PLYMOUTH Observer

Part of HomeTown Communications Network™

Brad Kadrich
Community Editor

Peter Neill
General Manager

Hugh Gallagher
Managing Editor

Dick Agnlan
President

Susan Rosiek
Executive Editor

Phil Power
Chairman of the Board

Jack Lessenberry
VP Editorial

Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

QUOTABLE

"We wanted to make a permanent presence in downtown Plymouth. Plymouth has been good to us. We've been well-received here."

— Builder Dominic Maltese, on constructing a new building in downtown Plymouth

Items from the idea folder and other assorted stuff

Like most folks who write columns for newspapers, I have a file labeled "column ideas" That's where I put noteworthy clips from other newspapers, reports of various size and interest, striking quotes, notes from conversations with news sources, half-finished columns and God knows what else

As with most files of this sort, mine tends to bulge and needs periodic pruning That's time-consuming, but in the process I discover stuff that might otherwise be overlooked I offer a sampling below

■ Political straws in the wind I am reliably informed that several Michigan Republican big donors were recently invited to break bread with Karl Rove, President Bush's master political strategist Rove's message The country is divided right down the center

Something like 45 percent of the voters love Bush, 45 percent hate him and about 10 percent are squeezed in the middle How come Bush's ratings are dropping? Lots of media attention has been devoted to the Democratic contenders, but the Bush political machine will start to move once it's clear who the opponent will be The Republican secret weapon A well-funded, highly-targeted get-out-the-vote operation aimed at mobilizing every GOP activist and getting every potential Bush supporter to vote

■ On the other side, within the past week I've had two friends approach me about politics Both are distinguished professionals — one's a lawyer, the other a surgeon — in the prime of their careers Both told me they plan to take a sabbatical this fall to volunteer full-time to work against Bush This is the first time since the Vietnam War I've seen such passion in national politics Even though Bush is the incumbent, has tons of money and sits atop the most politically competent White House in memory, the intensity of feeling against him is quite remarkable and could be a force this fall

My own view? I still think the election is Bush's to lose, but I no longer think it'll be a landslide

■ Good book I've just finished Tim Skubick's new book *Off the Record*, published simultaneously late last year by the University of Michigan Press and Petoskey Publishing Co (418 pages, \$29.95) The longest-serving reporter in the state capitol's press corps, Skubick is the host of the public television show *Off the Record*, is a political reporter for radio stations WWJ-AM (950) in Detroit and WJIM AM (1240) in Lansing and writes a syndicated column for various Michigan newspapers

Over the past 34 years, Skubick has covered

four Michigan governors — Bill Milliken, Jim Blanchard, John Engler and Jennifer Granholm — and an amazing slew of legislators, politicians and activists, some classy and some not, who have rotated in and around Lansing Skubick has seen it all He writes in a breezy and quick style He's funny And he's very well-informed Anybody who has more than a passing interest in Michigan politics should read it

■ Something very odd is going on with the federal guidelines for the No Child Left Behind Act, which is supposed to increase quality and accountability in schools Turns out that some top-ranked Michigan schools that received National Blue Ribbon awards failed to meet the federal guidelines this year for showing adequate yearly progress in the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP)

President Bush himself visited Southfield's Vandenberg Elementary School in 2002, hailing it as a model school that "is not afraid of accountability and as a result is excelling" Vandenberg scored two As and a B on the state report card, but failed according to the federal guidelines because it didn't have a 95-percent MEAP participation rate And Avondale High School in Auburn Hills and Avondale Middle School in Rochester Hills both flunked the federal report card At Avondale High, 88 percent of students took the MEAP test, one of the highest participation rates for any Michigan school, but not high enough for the feds And Avondale Middle, which won a national Blue Ribbon designation, missed the federal cutoff by 2.4 percent, the equivalent of three or four students

I've always felt that a key to improving schools is setting standards for what kids are supposed to learn and then finding ways to measure actual learning, not artificial criteria In fact, I spent years on the board of the National Center for Education and the Economy, which was the national leader in pushing school accountability But the way this federal act is working gives me — and lots of other school-oriented folks — pause

■ Cheers to the Granholm administration for coming up with a \$1 million fund to help high-tech start-up companies compete for federal help Even though \$1 million sounds like small change in such a context, it could leverage as much as \$25 million in federal money to do research and development for new products

Thought for the day: A committee is a group of people who individually can do nothing, but together decide that nothing can be done

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



Phil Power

Church hopes 'Passion' screening helps people connect with God

There have been reports of audiences viewing Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* leaving theaters sobbing and wailing

As I sat with some 400 others at the AMC Livonia 20 complex Monday night, in a theater bought out by the Redemption Ministry of pastors Eric and Kim Moore in Plymouth, I wondered two things

Would this audience, invited and encouraged by the Moores and others, react that way? Would I?

The audience came prepared for that possibility The woman who sat next to me clutched a tissue in her hand, and assured me she had more in her pocket In what was the quietest movie theater I've ever sat in, you could hear teardrops falling almost from the minute Jesus is captured in the Garden of Gethsemane, having been betrayed by Judas

The movie is, at its heart, a love story Its the story of Jesus' love for man and, more poignantly to me, a story of the love of Mary for her son Jesus' love for man is played out in stark, gory detail as he suffers scourging at the hands of the Romans and, ultimately, crucifixion

The Moores believe Gibson's use of violence not only doesn't diminish the weight of the movie, it underscores the depth of Jesus' love Previous movies on the subject couldn't show the scope of the pain because society didn't want to see it

Now, with the advent of video games and the way violence is depicted everywhere, such a telling is vital, according to the Moores

"We're so desensitized to violence as a culture now that we can show it," said Kim Moore, who went to a screening with Gibson in Chicago I think people will be stunned by the lengths Jesus went to to do what he did

If I was a person trying to engage with God, I'd have to wrestle with the question, "Why did he go through that?" she added "That's the question they'll be asking (after the movie), and there's only one possible answer: An astounding love"

Many in the audience, particularly women, identified with Mary, who, at least in Gibson's telling, viewed the entire scourging and crucifixion Using flashbacks to paint Mary's relationship with Jesus, Gibson draws a telling picture of a mother's pain

That's a theme that resonated Monday night

I thought it was emotional and pretty accurate," said Kelly Baxter of Dearborn Heights, invited by friends to attend the free screening I'm a Christian and I thought the

hardest part was watching Mary having to watch her son go through that"

The hardest part for Gibson and supporters of the movie may have been enduring the storm of criticism dogging him through the movie's release Critics have called Gibson an anti-Semite because they claim the movie puts Jews in the role of killing Jesus

The issue was fueled by Gibson's father, 85-year-old Hutton Gibson, who has been quoted saying, among other things, that the Holocaust was a myth Although Gibson said he disagrees — "Do I believe there were concentration camps where defenseless, innocent Jews died cruelly under a Nazi regime? Of course I do It was an atrocity of monstrous proportions" — he didn't go far enough in many views in denouncing his father's beliefs

"This is my version of what happened, according to the gospels and what I wanted to show," Gibson told Diane Sawyer in a nationally televised interview last week "My detractors say I'm a bigot and an anti-Semite It's against the tenets of my faith To be racist in any form is a sin"

The Moores believe such issues are being created by a small, vocal minority seeking to denigrate the movie, which officially opened Wednesday They say instead the movie is, in its simplest form, a retelling of facts

"The story of Jesus creates the controversy," Eric Moore said "Jesus has always divided, people either love Him or hate Him The movie itself isn't anti-Semitic It's just history"

While Gibson attempts to portray Jesus' love, the movie doesn't answer the burning issues for everyone Donna Kipus of Canton had questions going in, and she had the same ones coming out

"I think he didn't have to suffer It left me questioning how his dying saved all our sins," said Kipus, there at the invitation of members of the Plymouth Salvation Army congregation "It left me with too many questions unanswered"

That's OK, because the screening wasn't meant to be a panacea for everyone It wasn't even about recruiting people to church For the Moores, it was about bringing them closer to God

"We wanted people to go on the elbow of someone who knows Christ," Eric Moore said "We see this as an investment in the lives of people around us, people who don't see God as someone who transforms them A lot of people will be familiar with the basic story When they see this, they'll want to get close to that"

It's not about recruiting people to church," he added "It's about helping them connect with God"

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



Brad Kadrich

Walter's HOME APPLIANCES FEBRUARY SPECIALS Sale! HURRY SALE ENDS SUNDAY FEBRUARY 29TH!

Amana Magic Chef MAYTAG

Amana 18.5 Cu Ft Bottom Freezer

- Glass Shelves
- Gallon Door Storage
- #DRB1901

Now Only \$649

Amana 22 Cu Ft Self-Cleaning Oven

- Sealed Gas Burners
- 5 22 Cu Ft Self-Cleaning Oven
- Large Window In Door
- #AAR5715

Now Only \$599

Magic Chef 30" Range

- Gas or Electric
- #3100PAW/CER111DAW
- LIMIT 1

Your Choice \$199⁹⁹

MAYTAG Neptune Washer

- Delay Start
- Temp Boost
- #MDS3700AWE

Now Only \$299⁹⁹

MAYTAG Dishwasher

- Delay Start
- Temp Boost
- #MDS3700AWE

Now Only \$949

FREE DELIVERY

Panasonic

60" LCD Projection High Definition TV

- 1080p 720p 480i 480p Display Capability
- 16:9 Aspect Ratio
- PC/VCR Split Screen Display
- 2 Tuner PIP with Split Screen Display
- #PT60LC13

Now Only \$3999

700 Watt Home Theater System

- Progressive Scan DVD Player
- 4 Slim Tower Speakers
- 1 Central Channel Speaker
- Active Subwoofer with Built In 240 Watt Amp
- #SCT800

Now Only \$499

2.2 Cu Ft Microwave

- 1350 Watts
- Stainless Steel Cabinet
- One Touch Sensor Cooking
- #NNT993SF

Now Only \$164
After \$15 Rebate

600 Watt Home Theater System

- 5 Disc Progressive Scan DVD Player
- 5 Slim Compact Satellite Speakers
- Active Subwoofer with Built In 220 Watt Amp
- #SCT700

Now Only \$349

Microwave Oven

- 900 Watts
- Turntable
- Auto Cook Reheat-Defrost
- #NNNXX268F/WF

Now Only \$49⁹⁹
After \$10 Rebate

CAMCORDER CLEARANCE All Models MUST GO!

Thermador

Buy a Thermador

- Built-In Refrigerator
- Cooktop
- Wall Oven
- Hood or Downdraft System with Blower

AND GET A THERMADOR OR BOSCH DISHWASHER FREE!

Get Details at Walter's

TOSHIBA

42" Theater Wide HD Monitor Projection TV

- Power Focus HD2 CRT'S
- Built In High Contrast Theater Shield
- Universal Remote
- Double Window 2 Tuner PIP
- #42H83

Now Only \$1199

32" Theater Wide HD Monitor LCD TV

- LCD Panel Resolution True 720P High Definition on 1280 x 768
- Digital 3DYC Comb Filter
- 6 Item Universal Remote
- HD Window 2 Tuner PIP
- Dual Colorstream HD Component Inputs
- #32HL83

Now Only \$249

57" Cinema Series HD Monitor Projection TV

- Power Focus HD4 CRT'S
- Auto Digital Convergence
- Crystal Scan HDSC 1080
- Still Cabinet Design
- #57HX83

Now Only \$2299

DVD Home Theater System

- Progressive Scan DVD
- 320 Watts
- 5 Satellite Speakers
- 8 Subwoofer
- #SD43HT

Now Only \$139⁹⁹

DVD/VCR

- Digital Cinema Progressive Scan
- 4 Head Hi-Fi Stereo VCR
- #SDV932

Now Only \$139⁹⁹

SAVE \$400 Off Reg. Price

Walter's HOME APPLIANCES

www.waltershomeappliance.com

"What You're Looking For In An Appliance Store"

BRIGHTON:
8180 W. Grand River
1/4 Mile N. of I-96
(810) 229-5000

CANTON:
39915 Michigan Ave.
1/4 Mile E. of I-275
(734) 728-9600

LIVONIA:
34224 Plymouth
1/2 Mile W. of Farmington Rd.
(734) 427-7310

CHARGE IT AT WALTER'S 6 MO. SAME AS CASH*

ACTUAL PRODUCTS MAY VARY FROM THOSE SHOWN BRIGHTON, CANTON, LIVONIA STORES OPEN DAILY 10AM-8:30PM • BRIGHTON & LIVONIA STORES OPEN SUNDAY 12PM-5PM

Church uses movie screening to connect people with God

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

After joining other religious leaders, church groups and ministers for a screening of Mel Gibson's movie, "The Passion of the Christ," and hearing Gibson speak about it, in Chicago recently, Kim Moore decided her church should heed the call and help people see the movie.

And when she and her husband, Eric, who head the Redemption Center for Outreach and Revival, decided to front the money for a private screening at a Livonia theater, it didn't take long for their congregation to come up with some \$3,000 in rental costs. In fact, one member donated about half of the entire fee.

The church (formerly Canton Community Church) handed out some 400 tickets Monday night, and the movie played to a packed room at the AMC Livonia 20. The group was made up only partially of the some 50 or so members of

the church, who invited friends and family members to see the movie as part of the church's new outreach mission.

"We wanted our people to connect with other people to help them see this movie," Eric Moore said. "We wanted people to go on the elbow of someone who knows Christ."

The movie, which drew all kinds of hype and some staunch criticism for its violence, portrays the final 12 hours of the life of Jesus, beginning with his capture by Jewish soldiers in the Garden of Gethsemane through his crucifixion.

It's an intense, if violent, telling of the story which Gibson said he based on the gospels. The Moores agree the movie is an accurate portrayal of history.

"(Gibson) has said he felt God's anointing in him in making this film," Kim Moore said.

"As someone who ministers to people, I would agree. We see this as an investment in the lives of people among us who

don't see God as someone who transforms their lives."

The movie left most in Monday's audience in stunned silence, many of them in tears, including Lasa Walsh of Eastpointe, a member of the Moores' congregation since 1998, when she used to live in Plymouth.

"Without a doubt, this is the best love story ever told, and it's real," Walsh said.

"It's about all that Jesus went through, in a physical sense and in a mental sense. What human being would choose to do what he did? That is the truest love story, in every sense."

In addition to the criticism about the blood and violence, Gibson has been called an anti-Semite by some detractors for what they believe is his portrayal of the role of Jews in Jesus' death.

But Eric Moore said it's the story that causes the controversy.

"It's the story of Jesus himself, not the movie," Moore said.



RICK SMITH | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Hundreds turned out for a private screening of "The Passion of the Christ," the controversial Mel Gibson movie depicting the last 12 hours in the life of Jesus.

"Jesus has always divided, people either love him or hate him. The movie itself isn't anti-Semitic, it's just history."

bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net
(734) 459-2700

Driver convicted in officer's death

A Kentucky man has been convicted of involuntary manslaughter in the death of Canton Police Officer Lew Stevens last year.

Kurtis R. Bragg was found guilty in Wayne County Circuit Court Tuesday before Judge Cynthia Hathaway. The jury deliberated for just over two hours before returning the verdict, which carries a potential 15-year sentence.

Bragg was returned to the Wayne County jail to await sentencing on March 12.

"Hopefully this verdict will provide a sense of healing to the family of Officer Stevens and members of the department," said John Santomauro, Canton public safety director.

Stevens was killed on July 23, 2003, when his police cruiser, which was stopped on the west side of Lotz Road just north of Van Born, was struck by another car driven by Bragg.

'We jumped the train tracks. We start coming down and there was a car right in front of us.'

Jeremiah McClure testified in case

who was 22 years old at the time.

At a preliminary hearing last September, a front seat passenger in Bragg's car testified that he and Bragg had been drinking at two bars a few hours before the accident occurred.

Jeremiah McClure also of Kentucky said he and Bragg had been working temporarily at a Ford plant in Michigan, although they were not working the day of the crash.

After visiting the bars,

McClure testified, they drove to the Holiday Inn on Lotz in a rented 2002 Pontiac Grand Prix. He said that as they sat in the parking lot, Bragg, who was driving, asked him if he had ever jumped any train tracks.

"I said hell, no. I didn't think he was for real," McClure told the court.

He then testified that Bragg pulled out of the parking lot, headed down Lotz Road at over 50 miles an hour and approached the railroad tracks.

"We jumped the train tracks," he said.

"We start coming down and there was a car right in front of us."

After the crash Stevens was taken to Oakwood Hospital-Annapolis where he died of multiple injuries. He was the first Canton officer to die in the line of duty.

American Home Improvements

"Quality Is What We're All About"
Family Owned Since 1950

References on Request

STATE LICENSED

All Your Home Improvements and Remodeling Needs

- Alcoa Vinyl Siding with Insulation & Remodeling .No More Painting!
- Residential In-law & Teen Suites
- Room Additions & Sun Rooms
- Kitchen & Bath Remodeling
- Basement Remodeling
- Decks & Awnings

VINYL SIDING
Lifetime Warranty

20% off
Save up to \$500 with this coupon.

734-994-0040

Come To Our Grand Opening Event!
Sun, Feb. 29th
Noon-7pm

- Prizes • Specials • Refreshments
- Experts on Hand to Share Advice on Products and Hair!

ATTITUDES by DESIGN

Formerly Salon Trio
Now Under New Ownership

630 Starkweather
Plymouth
734-451-0550

Hours:
Tues., Wed., Thurs. 10-6
Fri. & Sat. 10-4

Services for the Whole Family

- Cut • Color • Style • Lowlights
- Highlights • Perms • Waxing

Matrix: including Biolage Sleek and Trix, Bed Head, American Crew, L'Oreal Series Expert.

Accepting Applications for Experienced Hair Stylists and Nail Technicians

Walk-ins Welcome!

10% off
Any Service or Product
With this coupon at ATTITUDES by DESIGN
Valid through March 13th, 2004.

END OF

Winter SALE EVENT

Save Now...
During Our Factory Authorized Sale on Stanley Furniture.
Bedroom • Dining • Youth • Home Office • Entertainment

FINANCING up to 12 MONTHS NO INTEREST
or...WE'LL PAY YOUR SALES TAX!*

Since 1933

Walker/Buzenberg
fine furniture

240 NORTH MAIN STREET • PLYMOUTH • (734) 459-1300
Mon, Thurs, Fri 10-9 • Tues, Wed, Sat 10-6 • Sun 1-5
www.walkerbuzenberg.com

*On any Stanley purchase, financing with credit approval • Sale ends 3-01-04



Sidelines

One to remember

The decision was theirs to make

The Monarchs, a 10-11 year-old girls team in the Plymouth-Canton Junior Basketball Association, had just four players to put on the court for their game Saturday

Spring-break vacations had cost them four players, two others had other tournament commitments. Jack Macuga, coach of the Monarchs, figured they would have to forfeit. What made it harder to take. The team they were going to play was the Miracles, the only team to beat the Monarchs this season

A win by the Monarchs and the two teams would tie for first place at 9-1. But how could they expect to beat an unbeaten team with just four players?

League officials convinced Macuga they should play anyway, and at least

give the four girls some on-court experience. Macuga didn't force his players, he let them make the decision whether to play a game of four on five or to just forfeit and go home

They opted to play. And after 40 minutes of regulation and six minutes of overtime, the Monarchs knew they had made the right choice

Liz Campbell hit a free throw in the closing seconds of the third OT, and that proved to be the game-winning point as the Monarchs prevailed 37-36. Campbell finished with 18 points, Lauren Macuga, the coach's daughter, scored 13

But it was the defense applied by Lindsey Dehnke, Samantha Maksimovic, Campbell and Macuga that was the difference. The Monarchs did get a break - Chris Holland, coach of the Miracles, used one of his timeouts to extend the halftime intermission, and he offered to call some others if the Monarchs needed rest

This was one for the record books. Or, as Macuga (the coach) said to his excited but tired players after the game, "This is something you will never forget"

Blue, baby!

The Madonna University women's basketball team is looking for a "Blue Out" in its first-round Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Tournament game against Indiana Tech at 7:30 p.m. tonight at Madonna

The Crusaders enter the tournament as the No. 4 seed with a 6-6 conference record. Tech is the No. 5 seed with a 5-7 WHAC mark, among the Warriors' losses is a 79-73 setback at Madonna

The team is asking everyone in attendance to wear blue in a show of support

All those who do will be given a free fountain drink at halftime of Thursday's game



Salem's Lauren Price blocks Canton's Nikki Mersch's shot

RICK SMITH | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem just too tough for Canton

It's one thing having a strategy. It's another learning it's the correct one

Then there's that third element - called execution. Got to have all three to beat a state-ranked volleyball team like Salem. Canton had the first two when it hosted the Rocks Monday, but execution - uhh, no

Which is why Salem won 15-4, 15-6

The Rocks improved to 42-8-5 overall. Canton is 21-15-7. "Two things cost us the match," said Chiefs' coach Steve Anderson. "No. 1, our serve receive. We knew where it was going, but we didn't execute. If we got a pass, we destroyed the middle

"We knew what the plan was, but we didn't execute. You can't score if you can't pass"

Salem did execute and made far fewer mistakes. The Rocks used a seven-point serve by Jordan Falcusan in the first game to go from a 2-2 tie to a 9-2 lead. Courtney Edwards followed with a four-point serve that made it 13-2 and all but put the game away

In between, the Chiefs had a service error. It was a common occurrence for them in this match, and many came at the most opportune times. In all, they had 11 service errors in the match, with only six aces

"Defense and setting" was the difference, according to Salem coach Tom Teeters. "Our serving and our serve reception"

The Rocks' top outside hitter, Ellen Canale, had a sore shoulder "but she wanted to play (against Canton)," Teeters said. How quickly she recovers will be a factor in how well Salem performs at Saturday's Western Lakes Activities Association Tournament

"If she plays injured, she won't help us much," noted Teeters. "But this gives us another tournament to try different things. We're trying different things for different reasons, like covering Ellen's loss"

Canale was hardly needed against the Chiefs, the way they self-destructed. In the second game, they spotted the Rocks a 9-0 lead, five of those again coming on Edwards' serve. A misplay on serve receive, a service ace and three kills accounted for that five-point run

Canale and Teresa Coppelli led Salem with three kills apiece. Lauren Kurtz had three solo blocks and one block assist, and Falcusan and Edwards each had two service aces in the match. For Canton, Kelly Baker led with eight kills (and a 500 kill percentage), Andrea Johnson added four. Kristen Lillie had 15 set assists

Rocks stay in top spot with win

An offense that was good enough and a defense that proved it could do the job kept Salem's basketball team atop the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division with a 43-39 triumph over Walled Lake Central Tuesday at Salem

BASKETBALL

The Rocks improved to 8-9 overall, 5-1 in the Lakes Central is also 8-9 overall, 3-4 in the division

"We played well enough," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "On the defensive end we played well. On the offensive end, we struggled a bit. We didn't handle their pressure well at times, but we weathered the storm"

A first-half cushion helped the Rocks. They led 14-8 after one quarter and 26-16 at the half. Still, the Vikings were able to narrow the gap in the third quarter and catch Salem in the fourth before they pulled away

Free-throw shooting didn't help Salem. 7-of-20 (35 percent). Central wasn't a heckuva lot better (8-of-16, 50 percent)

Brian Bradley led the Rocks with 10 points, Kevin Bradley added nine, and Dominique Washington grabbed eight rebounds

Brad Burnhardt topped Central with 13 points, Jun Finn and Aaron Harola scored eight apiece

The end of the regular season should be fun for the Rocks - they close with games at Westland John Glenn Friday and Wayne Memorial next Tuesday

Canton 71, Churchill 54: Brad Waidmann led a Canton attack that

PLEASE SEE ROCKS, B5

Madonna: A new team with high hopes

BASEBALL PREVIEW

Most everything regarding the Madonna University baseball team this season is new, not the least of which is a revamped roster

A year ago, the Crusaders labored through a 22-30 season that included a 6-18 mark in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. It was an unhappy year for all involved, and to coach Greg Haeger that meant changes must be made

They were. When Madonna opens its season today in

Homestead, Fla., against Hillsdale College - the first of 16 scheduled games on the spring trip - it will have the largest roster in its history: 37 players, of which 23 are newcomers

That's not all. Haeger will also have more pitchers on his team than ever before, a total of 17

They'll be needed, because four of the top seven pitchers in appearances from last season, who accounted for 16 of the team's victories, are gone. Returning are righthander Adam Klme (from Redford Catholic Central), a junior in eligibility who was the team's closer in 2003 (2-1 record, 4.50 earned run average, four saves), Dan Duffey (Farmington Hills/CC), a fifth-year senior who was 1-2 with a 3.46 ERA in limited

(26 innings) action, and righthander Bobby Houchins (from Farmington HS), a sophomore who struggled last season (0-2, 8.79 ERA)

Now here's the deal. Haeger likes this staff a lot. And not just because it's deeper. He's added four transfers - two from Concordia College, one each from Wayne State and St. Mary's College - who could make this a very imposing

PLEASE SEE MADONNA, B4

1st-period outburst leads to Whaler win

Nick Vernelli scored twice in the first period to help give the Plymouth Whalers a lead they never surrendered in beating the Kitchener Rangers 7-4 Saturday at Plymouth's Compuware Arena

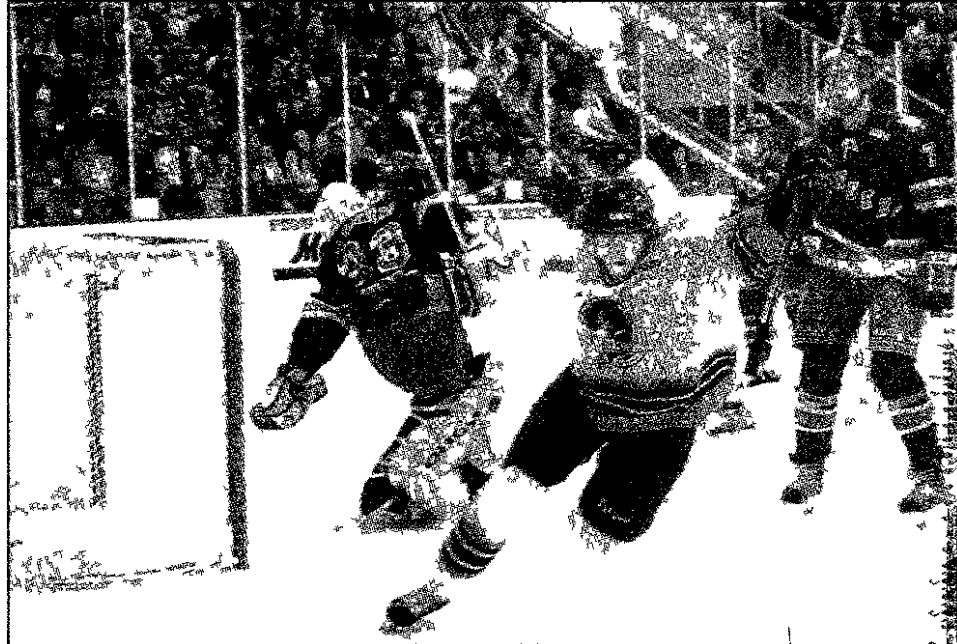
The win was the Whalers' fourth straight, giving them a 27-21-9-3 record (66 points), second in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division. Kitchener is 30-20-6-2 (68 points), third in the OHL's Midwest Division

The Rangers had the early lead, getting a goal from Jesse Boucher at 4:31 of the first period. That lasted 13 seconds, Vernelli tied the game with his first goal at 4:44, with an assist from Ryan Ramsay

Plymouth took the lead for good at 10:45 of the first, when Canton's James Wisniewski beat Kitchener goalie Brad Topping, Craig Cescon and Gino Pisellini assisted

The Whalers got two more quickly, John Vigilante getting the first at 12:07 (from John Mitchell and Pisellini) and Vernelli the second at 13:13 (from Tim Sestito and Ramsay), to make it 4-1

The Rangers closed the gap to two, but were never in a position to tie the game. Vaclav Merdl got a second-period goal (from Richard Power and David Liffiton) for Plymouth, and Dan Collins (from



DONALD J. ALLY

Plymouth Whalers' Vaclav Merdl celebrates after ripping a shot past Kitchener Rangers' goalie Carlo DiRienzo, helping the Whalers to a 7-4 win Saturday

Cescon and Wisniewski) and Mitchell (from Mike Letizia) scored in the third period

Kitchener's other goals came from Boucher, Michael Richards and

Nathan O'Nabigon

Carlo DiRienzo replaced Topping in goal in the first period for the Rangers. Paul Drew was in the net for the Whalers, he stopped 36 of 40 shots

Shamrocks clinch crown

It took overtime to make it happen, but Redford Catholic Central finally stopped Cranbrook and clinched the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League title with a 3-2 win over the Cranes.

"It was tough for us to win the league again," said CC coach Todd Johnson. "People were writing us off dead in the water in December and our guys weren't ready to give up. This is a very tough league. The last-place team in our league (U-D Jesuit) has beaten both us and (second-ranked) Churchill this year. Cole Earningsberger gave Cranbrook a 1-0 lead on a power-play goal in the first period, while Dave McGrorty tied it with five minutes remaining in the first on his own power-play goal from Travis Hamway and Mike Monterey.

Drew Kahle gave the top-ranked Shamrocks (13-6-3, 7-2 MIHL) a 2-1 lead on a

HOCKEY

short-handed goal in the second period from Tim Buttery. Cranbrook's Kyle McNeely tied it with 2:21 left in regulation.

After getting a penalty near the end of regulation, CC started off the overtime short-handed, but killed off the penalty. Jimmy Burns got the game-winner just after that from Pete Pfeiffer.

John Garza stopped 12 shots in goal for CC, while Andy Chuma made 28 saves for Cranbrook.

"Playing in all these tight games, I hope we're learning what it's like in playoff hockey," said Johnson. "We made a critical error in giving up the tying goal, but hopefully this is the last time we have to learn that lesson. We need to be prepped for tight, playoff hockey."

BASEBALL CLINIC

The annual Salem Baseball Clinic will be in two sessions, the first on Saturday, March 27 and the second on Saturday, April 3, both in the Salem HS gym.

Three hours of baseball instruction from the Salem varsity players and coaches, for players ages 7-15, is included. Lunch is provided as well, registration fee is \$20.

To reserve a spot or for more information, call Ron Myers at (734) 459-4026.

LACROSSE SIGN-UP

The Canton Leisure Services is sponsoring a Youth Lacrosse League, with the league running from March through June.

New and experienced players may join either the fifth-sixth grade team or the seventh-eighth grade team. Indoor practices are available in February. Players must supply their own equipment, including hel-

SPORTS ROUNDUP

met, stick, mouth guard, protective equipment and shoulder pads.

Teams must have a minimum of 10 players and no more than 25.

Included in the \$100 per player fee is a uniform, indoor practice time, a 12-week league schedule and an end-of-the-year jamboree tournament. Players may register right now at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. For more information, call the Canton Softball Center at (734) 483-5600.

five division players is \$50, for under-six through under-eight division players, the fee is \$65 for Canton residents and \$90 for non-residents, for under-nine through under-19 divisions, the fee is \$100 for residents and \$125 for non-residents. Registration closes March 1. Registration form, copy of birth certificate and payment may be mailed to Canton Soccer Club, P.O. Box 87244, Canton, MI 48187. For more information, call (734) 480-7046.

ROAD RALLY

The Canton Thunderbirds girls fast-pitch softball organization is hosting its second-annual Road Rally on March 13. Space is limited, early registration is suggested.

Cost is \$25 per person, which includes meal, prizes and music.

For further information contact Mike Roberts at (734) 397-1355 or on the Web at thunderbirdssoftball.tripod.com.

SOCCER REGISTRATION

The Canton Soccer Club is currently accepting registrations for the spring season.

Registration forms may be obtained either on-line at www.cantonsoccerclub.com or at the club office, located at High Velocity Sports, 46245 Michigan in Canton. Office hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Registration fees for under-

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL
Thursday Feb 26
Huron Valley at Franklin Road 7 p.m.
Friday Feb 27
Canton at Franklin 7 p.m.
W.L. Northern at Stevenson 7 p.m.
Salem at John Glenn 7 p.m.
W.L. Central at Wayne 7 p.m.
A.A. Greenhills at Clarenceville 7 p.m.
Luth Westland at P. Cabrini 7 p.m.
Huron Valley at Greater Life 7:30 p.m.

PREP HOCKEY
Saturday Feb 28
Redford CC vs. Birm. Brother Rice at Compuware Arena (Olympic) 4 p.m.
Franklin vs. Howell (Grand Oaks) 6 p.m.
Stevenson vs. W.L. Northern (Lakeland) 6 p.m.
Churchill at G.P. North (City) 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL
Thursday Feb 26
Huron Valley vs. Greater Life at Livonia St. Paul's 6 p.m.
Clarenceville at A.A. Greenhills 6:30 p.m.
Flat Rock at Luth Westland 6:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 27
Huron Valley at Macomb Christian 6 p.m.
Saturday Feb 28
Bedford Tournament 8:30 a.m.
W.L.A.A. Tourney at W.L. Central 9 a.m.
Metro Conf. Tourney at Luth North TBA.

PREP WRESTLING
INDIVIDUAL REGIONAL TOURNEYS
Saturday Feb 28
Division I at Chippewa Valley 10 a.m.
Division II at W.L. Western 10 a.m.
Division III at Williamston 10 a.m.
Division IV at Blissfield 10 a.m.

BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday Feb 26
W.L.A.A. prelims at Salem 1 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 27
W.L.A.A. diving at Salem 2:30 p.m.
Saturday Feb 28
W.L.A.A. meet at Salem noon.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS
Thursday Feb 26
W.L.A.A. meet at W.L. Central 5:40 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Thursday Feb 26
(WHAC Playoffs)
Indiana Tech at Madonna 7:30 p.m.
Friday Feb 27
MCCA playoffs at Schoolcraft 6 & 8 p.m.
Saturday Feb 28
MCCA final at Schoolcraft 1 p.m.
(WHAC Playoffs)
Indiana Tech Madonna winner at Cornerstone TBA.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Thursday Feb 26
Whalers at Sarnia Sting 7:30 p.m.
Friday Feb 27
Whalers vs. Saginaw at Compuware Arena 7:30 p.m.
Saturday Feb 28
Whalers vs. Ottawa at Compuware Arena 7:30 p.m.
TBA - time to be announced.

GYMNASTICS RESULTS

CANTON 139.50
BRIGHTON 146.45
Tuesday at Brighton

Vault: 1 Alyssa Kelley (C) 9.35 6 (tie) Kate Staley (C) Mina Prizadeh (C) 8.75 (B) 9.35 5 Kara Ahern (C) 8.8

Uneven parallel bars: 1 Lauren DiLullo (B) 9.35 5 Kara Ahern (C) 8.8

Floor exercise: 1 DiLullo (B) 9.55 4 Kelley (C) Kara Ahern (C) 9.2 6 Kattlyn Burns (C) 9.1

All-around: 1 Nicole Bastien (B) 36.90 4 Kara Ahern (C) 36.10

Dual meet record: Canton 8.3 overall 5.3 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Next meet: W.L.A.A. Championships Thursday at Walled Lake Central.

Comments: We didn't have a bad meet tonight. We had a lot of good things happen. The problem was (Brighton) had a very good meet. They beat up on us on a couple of events. Bars was our worst - we lost three points on bars. Canton coach John Cunningham.

PLYMOUTH 126.05
HARTLAND 138.8
Tuesday at Hartland

Vault: 1 Emily Plott (H) 9.0 2 A. E. Saker (P) 8.55

Uneven parallel bars: 1 Plott (H) 9.0 4 Saker (P) 8.0

Balance beam: 1 Plott (H) 9.25 4 (*e) Saker (P) Paige Tof (P) 7.9

Floor exercise: 1 Plott (H) 9.35 3 Saker

(P) 8.8 5 Katie Hale (P) 8.6

All-around: 1 Plott (H) 36.6 3 Saker (P) 33.25

Dual meet record: Plymouth 2.9 overall 1.5 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Next meet: W.L.A.A. Championships Thursday at Walled Lake Central.

Note: Amy Quimbaro, one of Plymouth's most promising gymnasts, suffered a severely injured ankle Monday and is not expected to return this season.

TRAVERSE CITY 136.25
CANTON 137.20
CADILLAC 105.35
Saturday at Traverse City

Vault: 1 Alyssa Kelley (C) 9.1 3 Kara Ahern (C) 8.5 5 Mina Prizadeh (C) 8.3

Uneven parallel bars: 1 Kyla Krygier (TC) 9.525 3 Kara Ahern (C) 9.0 4 Prizadeh (C) 8.5 5 Kattlyn Burns (C) 8.25

Balance beam: 1 Krygier (TC) 9.4 2 Kate Staley (C) 8.55 3 (tie) Kara Ahern (C) Audra Ahern (C) 8.5

Floor exercise: 1 Krygier (TC) 9.5 3 Burns (C) 9.3 4 Kara Ahern (C) 9.05 5 Audra Ahern (C) 8.8

All-around: 1 Krygier (TC) 37.325 3 Kara Ahern (C) 34.05 4 Prizadeh (C) 32.70 5 Staley (C) 32.60

Comments: It was a good meet for us. It proved to girls that if you have depth you can overcome a team with one super girl. Canton coach John Cunningham.

INDIVIDUAL DISTRICT WRESTLING RESULTS

Feb 21 at Livonia Franklin

103 pounds: Ken Nelson (Redford Union) d. Alex Fowler (Livonia Churchil) 7-4

third place: David Lakhani (Berkley) won by major dec. over Kevin Arafat (West Bloomfield) 9-1

112: Andrew Nadhir (Redford Catholic Central) dec. Scott Dilworth (Berkley) 16-15

third: Evan Schwartz (W. Bloomfield) dec. Mike Warren (Livonia Franklin)

119: Justin Smith (Churchill) dec. Matt Cousins (Oak Park) 5-3

third: James Jones (Franklin) won by major dec. over David Pfeiffer (W. Bloomfield)

125: Kris Felice (Churchill) dec. Saul Fuentes (Livonia Stevenson) 7-1

third: James Rogers (Oak Park) pinned Dade Dimaggio (Redford CC)

130: Chris Knyana (W. Bloomfield) won by technical fall over Kayle McCartt (Franklin) 15-5

135: Jim Moore (RU) dec. Randy Daugherty (Southfield) 5-2

third: Anthony Victor (North Farmington) 7-0

140: John Gourlay (RU) won by tech fall over Dave Watkins (Franklin) 21-6

third: Matt McNeil (Royal Oak Kimball) dec. Adam Kokenakes (Stevenson) 4-1

145: Dario Mainella (Stevenson) won by tech fall over Matt Warren (Franklin) 25-10

third: Dan Clement (Churchil) p. Anthony Wong (Birmingham Brother Rice) 3-27

152: Brad Bartram (Redford CC) dec. Ben Adams (Churchil) 11-6

third: Trevor Welsh

DISTRICT WRESTLING RESULTS

(Berkley) dec. Brad Smith (Kimball) 5-4

160: Trevor Stewart (Redford CC) won by major Demetric Lewis (Oak Park) 14-2

third: Josh Loar (RU) p. Maynard Arafat (W. Bloomfield) 2-45

171: Scott Schwarzlose (Bedford CC) dec. Manuel Schubert (Churchil) 6-4

third: Phil Beard (Oak Park) p. Zoran Lazar (W. Bloomfield) 2-00

189: Joe Bargerstock (Stevenson) dec. Leo Evans (Oak Park) 7-1

third: Justin Carleton (Warren Mott) dec. Zak Wegner (W. Bloomfield) 9-4

215: Hafeez Qureshi (Churchil) dec. Eric Vojtkofsky (Redford CC) 2-1

third: Steve Mankins (Brother Rice) dec. Terry Grier (Oak Park) 9-4

275: Pat Draheim (Churchil) p. John Morasso (Redford CC) 1-50

third: Ryan Pokryfky (Franklin) p. Nick Paxton (Berkley) 4-17

at SOUTHGATE ANDERSON

103 pounds: Jack Cassidy (Dearborn) d. Justin White (Monroe) 7-3

third place: Ibrahim Abdulla (Dearborn Fordson) dec. Kelly Poupard (Monroe) 10-9

112: Craig Gin (Temperance Bedford) won by void over Kris Lewis (Monroe) 1-5

119: Nate Whitenburg (Bedford) dec. Chris Rowe (Southgate) 8-2

third: Ryan Stump (Salem) dec. Justin Williams (Belleville) 6-5

125: Tim Davs (Belleville) dec. Ghassan Hamka (Fordson) 4-2

third: Darin Tims (Woodhaven) p. Andy Swft (Bedford)

130: David Brighton (Bedford) dec. Hasim Zrien (Fordson) 4-3

third: Corey Phillips (Canton) dec. Dave Burr (Salem) 6-0

135: Tim Hammer (Wayne) dec. Ryan Webb (Canton) 3-2

third: Matt Mortzfeld (Romulus) dec. Jason Ball (Fordson) 6-2

140: Rece Cox (Westland John Glenn) dec. Rex Fugaban (Wayne) 8-1

third: Greg Rochon (Belleville) dec. Mohamed Aljahmi (Fordson) 3-0

145: Joe Caudill (Belleville) dec. Jason Sulewski (Bedford) 9-3

third: Fozey Alqirsh (Fordson) won by major dec. over Chris McGlone (Wayne) 10-1

152: Rudy Weirich (Woodhaven) won by void over Tom Grimley (Southgate)

third: Bryce Bankowski (Bedford) dec. Daron Cruickshank (John Glenn) 5-4

160: Kevin Zink (Bedford) dec. Emilio Perez (Garden City) 5-1

third: Brad Allen (John Glenn) dec. Ryan Wilson (Southgate) 6-3

171: Jeremy Sparks (Garden City) dec. Jeff McCumber (Belleville) 11-9

third: Bryan Longton (Wayne) won by void over David Payer (Woodhaven)

189: Jake Fairchild (John Glenn) dec. Steve Fiordelis (Southgate) 6-4

third: P.J. Caram (Canton) won by void over Chris Watson (Belleville)

215: Eric Schambers (John Glenn) p. Kyle Hawkins (Monroe) 10-1

third: Ameer Kasham (Fordson) p. David Bailey (Bedford) 0-13

275: Jeremy Wake (Salem) dec. Isiah Abraham (Dearborn Esel Ford) 4-3

(over time) third: John Vargas (Dearborn) p. Josh Cra g (Southgate) 2-21

COLLEGE HOCKEY AT THE JOE PRESENTS THE BATTLE FOR STATE SUPREMACY!

CCHC

SATURDAY, MARCH 6 @ 7:30 PM

M. vs. S.

Joe Louis Arena

TICKETS ARE \$28, \$22, \$20, \$14, \$10. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE JOE LOUIS ARENA BOX OFFICE, ALL *ticketmaster* LOCATIONS INCLUDING HOCKEYTOWN AUTHENTICS IN TROY (NO SERVICE CHARGE). CHARGE BY PHONE AT 248-645-6666 OR LOG ON TO COLLEGEHOCKEYATTHEJOE.COM. FOR GROUP INFORMATION CALL 313-396-7911.

FAMILY FOUR PACK: 4 TICKETS, 4 SLICES OF LITTLE CAESARS PIZZA, 4 COKE FOR \$42.00 & SAVINGS OF OVER 25%! CALL 313-396-7925

SPECIAL HOTEL RATES: LOG ON TO COLLEGEHOCKEYATTHEJOE.COM OR CALL 1-800-752-0631 AND ASK FOR THE DETROIT SPORTS FAN RATE

Enter to win Detroit Red Wings Tickets
Check Today's Classifieds Section to See How You Can Enter to Win!

THE **Observer & Eccentric** NEWSPAPERS

CONGRATULATIONS Suburban Hockey — and — Observer & Eccentric TEAM of the MONTH FARMINGTON HILLS WILDFIRE

Congratulations to the Farmington Hills Wildfire, Pee Wee B Champions of the Big Bear Big Chili Tournament!

Observer & Eccentric MICHIGAN HOCKEY

Learn to Check with Suburban Hockey Schools... clinics offered for pee wees and bantams in March and April! Locations include Lakeland Arena in Waterford, Suburban Training Center in Farmington Hills, the Onyx-Rochester Ice Arena, St. Clair Shores Arena, Kensington Valley Ice House in Brighton, Redford Arena, Birmingham Arena, Dearborn Ice Skating Center, Ice Box Sports Center in Brownstown and Novi Ice Arena. For information, call (248) 478-1600 or visit www.suburbanhockey.com.

Shamrocks beat back ND Prep; Borgess stuns Shrine

After falling behind 23-9 just into the second quarter to lightly regarded Pontiac Notre Dame Prep, Redford Catholic Central's boys basketball team had all the swagger of a fighter one punch away from being knocked out.

But the littlest man on the floor for CC pulled the Shamrocks off the mat and got them back into the fight, as 5-9 guard Rob Fragozo keyed a comeback that led to a 60-57 win Sunday at Calihan Hall.

"We were sleepwalking through the first quarter and finally got back into it in the second quarter," CC coach Rick Coratti said. "Rob was a big part of that. He's been consistent over the last couple of games and got us back into this one."

Just as ND Prep (8-8) kicked it in gear in the first quarter — taking a 21-9 lead thanks to hitting three of its eight 3-pointers in the game — the

Shamrocks turned the tables in the second.

Trailing 28-15 midway through the period, Fragozo keyed a 14-2 run with eight points — including two baskets off of steals — helped by six of Dan Waterstradt's 17 points. CC trailed 30-29 at half.

We got it in gear in the second quarter, but it was an uphill battle Coratti said. This is the fourth year we've played (ND Prep) and it's like this every year.

A second run in the third quarter put the Shamrocks in the lead for good, but not without worry. The Fighting Irish pushed the lead back up to 38-31 with 5:25 left on a triple by Keith Kampe.

But that was ND Prep's last hurrah. Kyle Smith hit a 3-pointer to start a 17-2 run (with nine from Smith) and give CC a 48-42 lead by quarter's end.

CATHOLIC LEAGUE

CC got sloppy in the fourth quarter, however, and let ND Prep back into the game. A comfortable 58-51 lead with 1:48 left was cut to 58-57 as Kampe went inside for a bucket with 12 seconds left. But the Irish fouled and Fragozo nailed a pair of free throws to ice the game with 3:7 seconds left.

"We didn't play smart in the last minute," Coratti said. "We threw the ball away twice. We're fortunate we're a good team from the free-throw line (8-of-9 for the game)."

Smith led CC with 18 points, while Waterstradt had 17, Fragozo had 10, Jim Cash had eight and Derek Brooks had seven. Kampe had 20 to pace ND Prep, Eric Grozenski had 15 and James Vanden Boom had 10.

What shot the Fighting Irish in the foot was 10 turnovers in the second quarter as Fragozo had five steals.

After shooting a dismal 3 for 12 from the floor to start the game, the Shamrocks turned it around for a respectable 25 of 55, while ND Prep was 20-for 48 but only 3-of 15 in the fourth quarter.

Spartans surprise Shrine

The first time that Bishop Borgess played Royal Oak Shrine, the Knights spanked Borgess so soundly that there was a running clock in the fourth quarter.

That didn't happen Saturday as the Spartans surprised the A-East champions with a 61-57 win in the East-West quarterfinal.

"From the second quarter on, we were in charge," Borgess coach Anthony Woods said. "We had a 12-

point lead and we hit our free throws late. We did have a couple of costly turnovers that could have swung the other way."

A scouting report helped the Spartans on defense, while Borgess had some players step up on offense.

"We didn't have everyone last time and we didn't know how to play as a team," Woods said.

"We watched them this time and knew that (John Head) likes to go baseline and (Joe Boylan and Matt Williams) are terrific shooters. So if we watched them on the outside and cut them off on the baseline, I thought we could win."

T.R. Ellis had 25 points, including six 3-pointers, to lead the Spartans, while Joe Jones had eight points and 10 assists and DeAngelo Seale had six 3-pointers, 13 rebounds, and three blocks. Ray Martin led Shrine with 15 points, Boylan had 13 and Head had 12.

Schoolcraft College seizes Eastern Conference crown

The Schoolcraft College men's basketball team got some unexpected help in clinching its fifth straight Eastern Conference championship.

On Saturday, the Ocelots took care of business with a 103-60 victory over host Henry Ford CC as seven players scored in double figures.

But instead of settling for a co-championship with Flint Mott, a team the Ocelots split with during the regular season, they were able to say a hearty "thank you" to third place Wayne County CC, which upended visiting Mott on the same day, 88-85. Mott, which shipped to 25-3 overall and 14-2 in the conference, blew a chance to earn a share of the crown.

"We felt we had a good chance because Wayne County is one of the toughest places to play on the road and

MEN'S BASKETBALL

it's often in a hostile environment," said Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs, whose team finished 15-1 in the conference, one game ahead of Mott, the No. 1-ranked team in NJCAA Division II.

Ray Metcalf, John Burris and Tyrone Scott each scored 14 points in the victory over Henry Ford as Schoolcraft improved to 24-3 overall.

Lamont Arrington and Derrick Ponder added 13 points apiece, while Darien Bynum (Redford Bishop Borgess) and Ricky Morgan contributed 11 and 10, respectively.

Ponder grabbed a team-high 12 rebounds and three steals, while Metcalf had eight assists. Scott and Ryan Baumgartner added four

assists each.

Schoolcraft, which led 47-34 at halftime, sat out one starter, Marcus Johnson, and limited the play of two other starters, Morgan and Anton Palmer, to just seven minutes, for team disciplinary reasons.

Henry Ford (10-17, 4-10) got 15 points from Ron McGrew and 11 from Lawrence Baker.

Schoolcraft shot 40-of-95 from the floor, including 7-for-18 from three-point range. The Ocelots were 16-of-23 from the foul line.

On Wednesday, Schoolcraft met Glen Oaks (21-6) in the MCCA quarterfinals. The semifinals and finals will be Friday and Saturday at Mott.

We have to continue to get better as an offensive unit and continue to understand our roles," Briggs said. "But the best part of our team is that we do guard people

BASEBALL TRYOUT

The WaCo Wolves U-9 travel baseball team will hold winter tryouts for the 2004 season. The team will play about 50-60 games during the season plus a World Series.

For more information, please call Bill Hardin at (734) 516-3723.

POLICE AUCTION

3-10-04

David Lowells Towing Inc

2260 E. Michigan Avenue

Ypsilanti, MI 48198

Ford 1FMCA11U9MZA95320

Ford KNJPT06HOM6120125

Pont 1GMDDU06L8PT218053

Merc 1MEBM60F7JH698363

Merc 1MEBM603XH666143

Publish February 26, 2004

0228 209 3

TAX PROBLEMS?

We settle any tax, any year

Tax Resolution Specialist

(248) 985-HELP

(4357)



BURTON'S
Plumbing & Heating

BATH and KITCHEN REMODELING

- Licensed Master Plumber
- Ceramic Tile Installed
- Quality Materials and Workmanship




FREE ESTIMATES
Visit Our Full Kitchen and Bath Showroom

(Same location since 1975)
34224 Michigan Avenue
Wayne, Michigan 48184
(734) 722-4170




W E S

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY



COUNCIL PRESENTS

AN EVENING IN PARIS: A Formal Affair



DINNER AND AUCTION
FUND-RAISER TO BENEFIT THE ARTS

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 2004 6:00 P.M.

VisTaTech Center in Schoolcraft College

18600 Haggerty Road Livonia

Dinner—7:00 p.m. Coffee and Dessert served throughout the evening

Live Auction—9:00 p.m. with

Music and Dancing to the sounds of Channel 6

ENJOY A MEMORABLE CULINARY EXPERIENCE AND SUPPORT THE ARTS


AUCTION PROCEEDS SUPPORT PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL EDUCATION, OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY ARTS PROGRAMING

Items to be offered at auction include a quality array of original art as well as sports and entertainment packages. There will be exotic travel opportunities such as the Puerto Vallarta Condo or a week at the beach in South Haven.

Tickets: \$75 per person

Reservations: 734-416-4278

www.plymoutharts.com



Print Sponsor The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers

elaine S. events presents

Super Summers for Kids:

2004 CAMP AND ACTIVITIES FAIR



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2004

11:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Birmingham Public Schools
Corporate Training & Conference Center
31301 Evergreen Road in Beverly Hills

Free Admission - Families Invited

Meet representatives of local and national summer programs who will help you choose the right summer experience for kids, 3-18.

- Day Camps • Overnight Camps • Specialty Camps
- Year Round Cultural Programs
- Teen Adventures and Tours
- Academic Enrichment • Summer Employment

For information call
248-851-7342.

Co-Sponsored by






MADONNA

FROM PAGE B1

pitching staff "I can't say for sure because you can never tell until you get on the field," Haeger said, "but this staff has the capability of being the best staff Madonna's ever had"

High expectations, but not based on potential alone The transfers (they're all righthanders) are Doug Brooks, a senior who attended Wayne State and who throws in the low 90s with a pro-level slider ("He'll be my No. 1," Haeger predicted), Jeff Savage, a senior from St. Mary's who throws in the low 80s and has

"a nasty sinking fastball that will be awfully effective", Derek Dufrene, a sophomore who experienced shoulder problems at Concordia, but can throw in the mid-80s and has good off-speed stuff, and Andrew Campbell, a sophomore in eligibility who was Concordia's closer

Those additions alone would make Madonna formidable, but there's more First, don't forget Kline, who will move into the starting rotation, Duffey, who "made incredible strides last season" and has earned a spot in the rotation, and Houchins, who will have to throw strikes to stay in the rotation

Of course, this could be scrambled quite a bit by the

time the WHAC season begins Among those who figure to get mound time Scott Miller (Farmington Hills), a junior who was a regular at second base last season but will be a pitcher only this year, a sidearming righthander with "great movement and good velocity from underneath", Mike Hand (North Farmington), a freshman and the Raiders' ace who guided them to the 2003 OAA Division II title and who can throw "three pitches", Kyle Fedorka, a freshman who will also play in the middle infield, and Mike Orehek, a freshman project who has "shown an incredibly live arm"

Pitching isn't the only area that must be rebuilt Haeger will put out an entirely new infield, with three redshirts from 2003 the only returnees freshmen shortstops Matt Humenay (Livonia Churchill) and Gary Van Allen, and sophomore in eligibility Jason Barbeau, who won the second base job with an outstanding performance in the fall

A left-handed hitter, Barbeau edged out junior Matt Gorske, who started at second base for St. Mary's College last season

Either Humenay (who's the better fielder) or Van Allen

'I can't say for sure because you can never tell until you get on the field, but this staff has the capability of being the best staff Madonna's ever had.'

Greg Haeger Madonna baseball coach

(the better hitter) will start at short, with Fedorka providing depth Barbeau and Gorske figure to be at second

There's a logjam at first, too, with Kellen Fry, a junior and another St. Mary's transfer, and a player with a penchant for driving in runs, Greg Hocking (Farmington Harrison), a freshman talent who will get some playing time, according to Haeger, and John McCracken, a freshman with size (6-foot-3, 235 pounds) and a "great swing"

Ben Galus, a senior, will fill the void at third base, he was a three-year starter at St. Mary's before the program folded "He can make all the plays, and he'll bat somewhere in the middle of the lineup," said

Haeger Jake Ghannam (Farmington Harrison), a freshman who was expected to back up Galus, has experienced knee problems and is uncertain Fedorka could fill in if needed

Expected to be behind the plate was sophomore Justin Fabian However, earlier this week, Fabian fouled a ball into his mouth, putting his availability in doubt

Sliding into the void at catcher are Mike Louwers, a freshman in eligibility, and Nick Hippler (Farmington), also a freshman in eligibility who is just returning to action after suffering a near-fatal head injury while playing in Belgium in 2001

The outfield is Madonna's strongest area. Returning are juniors Brian Williams (Livonia/CC), who has experienced hamstring injury problems throughout his career (220, eight runs batted in last season), and Joe Greene (269, two home runs, 11 RBI) Williams will be in center, Greene in right

In left field will be Preston Picard (Farmington HS), a sophomore who played last season at Florida CC "He's speedy and runs the bases aggressively," said Haeger, giving the Crusaders lots of speed

in the outfield Tony Kern, a junior (273, four RBI), Matt Lordas (Farmington Hills/CC), a transfer from Central Michigan and a great athlete with junior eligibility, Kevin Zerbo (Farmington Harrison), a freshman with superb hitting potential, and Dave Nester, a senior who is the best pure defensive outfielder on the team, will also see playing time

"It's a young team, a brand new team," said Haeger "With 17 pitchers, we should be able to win some games Our next (area of strength) is the outfield — we have some kids who can swing the bat out there"

Teams to beat in the WHAC figure to be long-time powers Indiana Tech and Aquinas Defending champ Spring Arbor can't be counted out, although the Cougars lost their top pitcher

Haeger plans on the Crusaders challenging that trio, for WHAC and NAIA Tournament honors They've got a new field to do it on, located just north of Livonia Ladywood HS off of Newburgh Of course, promise and potential aren't related to reality Turning those elements into the real deal is Haeger's challenge

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following

David Medley ADA Coordinator Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton MI 48188 (734) 394-5260

Publsh February 26 2004

0208 90005



CITY OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

The Board of Review for the City of Plymouth will convene in the City Commission Chambers, 201 S Main Street, Plymouth MI 48170, for an Organizational Meeting on Tuesday March 2, 2004 at 12:00 p.m.

The regular Board of Review session will begin

TUESDAY, March 2, 2004 from 12:30 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY, March 3, 2004 from 3:00 P.M. TO 9:00 P.M.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed

Hearings are by appointment only COMPLETED 2004 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY and must be submitted to the Front Office located on the First Floor of City Hall before an appointment can be made The "DEADLINE" for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Wednesday March 3 2004 by 5:00 p.m.

A resident or non resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative An agent must have written authority to represent the owner Written petitions must be submitted by Friday March 12 2004

Copies of the notice stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted on the official public bulletin boards of the City and also in the local newspapers

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the Open Meetings Act

If you have any questions or concerns please contact (734) 453 1234 ext 253

MARK R. CHRISTIANSEN City of Plymouth City Assessor

Publsh February 22 & 26 2004

0208 89220

Canton Police Public Auction at Budget Towing 876 Railroad, Ypsilanti, MI 48197 March 04th, 2004 10:00 AM

- 1987 Mercury, 1MEBM6030HH634768
1988 Ford 1FTJE34H7JHB38340
1988 Cadillac 1G6CD5155J4282609
1992 Ford 2FTEF15Y8NCA71231
1993 Ford 1FAFP11J1PW315135
1998 Mercury, 1MEFM66LXWK636102

Publsh February 26 2004

0208198675

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FY 2004 CDBG ACTION PLAN

On Wednesday March 10 2004 at 2 p.m. in the Walnut Room Summit on the Park Community Center 46000 Summit Parkway Canton, Michigan 48188 there will be a public hearing on the FY 2004 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Action Plan The Action Plan is funded at \$434 000 Comment will be accepted on the following project proposals First Step \$36 000, Growth Works, \$10 500 HelpSource Adult Day Care \$5 000 Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services \$20 500 Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency \$10 000 Volunteer Coordinator \$6 500 Leisure Services scholarships program \$2 500 Program Administration \$85 200 Human Service Center Construction \$275 000 (multi year) Housing Rehabilitation \$9 400 Note not all project proposals are necessarily listed not all projects listed will necessarily be approved for FY 2004 nor will all projects accepted for funding necessarily be funded for the requested amounts Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin Community Services Specialist Community Services Division 1150 S Canton Center Road, Canton Michigan 48188, (734) 394 5194 Ex 5194

TERRY BENNETT, Clerk

Publsh. February 19 and 26 2004

0208 89306

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE TO PUBLIC BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Terry G. Bennett, Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne, State of Michigan to all residents of the Charter Township of Canton that all persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board A personal appearance is not required All petitions must be received in the Assessor's office by March 9, 2004

The Board of Review will be held in the Canton Township Hall on the first floor at 1150 S Canton Center Road Please come prepared, as an eight (8) minute limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to

The Following is the schedule for March Board of Review

- Saturday March 6 2004 Hearings from 9 00 a.m. 12 00 p.m. First Come First Serve (Walk in Schedule)
Monday, March 8 2004 Hearings from 9 00 a.m. 12 00 p.m. AND 1 00 p.m. 5 00 p.m. (Appointments Only)
Tuesday March 9 2004 Hearings from 1 00 p.m. 5 00 p.m. AND 6 00 p.m. - 9 00 p.m. (Appointments Only)

If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may call Dawn Harden Secretary to the Board of Review (734) 394 5111

TERRY G. BENNETT CLERK Charter Township of Canton

Publsh Observer

February 19 February 22 February 26 and February 29 2004

0208 89392

Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - February 17, 2004

A regular study meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton held Tuesday, February 17, 2004 at 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, Michigan Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm Roll Call Members Present: Bennett, Burdznak, Kirchgatter, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo Members Absent: McLaughlin Staff Present: Director Durack Director Conklin, Director Faas, Mike Ager Others Present: Paul Denski Jr., Pat Van Dusen Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, seconded by Zarbo to approve the agenda Motion carried by members present

ITEM 1: CANTON WASTE RECYCLING - PAUL DENSKI, JR. Due to Southwest corner of Canton Township's growth, it is proposed that Canton Waste Recycling breakup their route days

ITEM 2: VOLUNTEER PROGRAM. Pat Van Dusen did a presentation on the volunteer program Volunteer Event Highlights were discussed with major accomplishments of 2003 and goals and objectives for 2004 including a calendar of events for 2004 This year a total of 1,310 volunteers served a total of 4,348 50 hours

ITEM 3: HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION Terry Bennett stated that the Canton Historic District Commission has completed another active year of preservation activities designed to enhance our community by retaining some of our historic character and adding to the quality of life of Canton residents Important goals of the Commission this past year have been in the areas of outreach and volunteerism Grant King, Historic District Commissioner, a recognized authority in historic cemetery preservation is developing a manual covering preservation/rehabilitation of grave markers, re righting headstones, repairing markers soils and care of grounds and standards for landscaping, fencing, buildings and structures, preservation techniques, and signage

ITEM 4: CANTON CABLE TELEVISION One of the main goals of the cable staff was to improve on the quality of our shows To attain this goal, the full time staff enrolled in college courses that will help further their knowledge in television production Also computer graphics and special effects were a priority The Township won the NATOA award for "Canton This Month", two Aurora awards for a Bike Safety PSA, and Canton Promo, and also won two (2) Videographer awards for "24/7" and "Out and About" The budget for 2004 is chiefly comprised of equipment for the Performing Arts Center and the renovations to the Township Board Meeting Room at the Administration Building

ITEM 5: GRANT PROGRAMS A list of 25 grants were presented with a grand total of \$2,962,155 and a total of 5 grants pending

ITEM 6: FACILITIES MAINTENANCE The new administration offices will create an additional 33,435 square feet, Public Safety Addition, 10,000 Public Works Building Addition, 11,500, Fleet Maintenance Building, 6,727, Michigan Avenue Building, and Gun Range, 1 200 equating a total of 67,308 square feet for maintaining One (1) Maintenance Tech I/employee has been hired The Facilities Maintenance Division is working with Leisure Services in developing a plan to handle the maintenance of the rooftop units at the Summit on the Park facility through a contractual arrangement

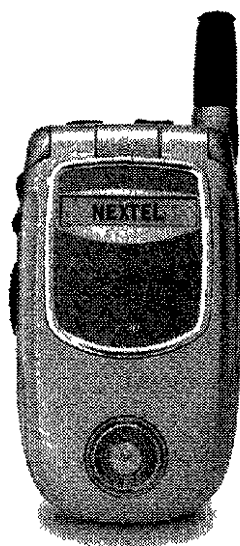
ITEM 7: TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM The Canton Community Mobility Transportation Services Program was created thanks to a partnership between the municipal government of Canton Township and Huron Valley Ambulance This program currently has two (2) vans facilitating 15,000 rides accommodating 1,000 to 1,100 riders and promoted by Canton Foundation ADJOURNMENT Motion by Bennett seconded by Kirchgatter to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Motion carried by all members present

Thomas J Yack Supervisor / Terry G Bennett Clerk - Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.cantonmi.org after Board approval

Publsh February 26 2004

020819007

KEEP YOUR NUMBER. ANSWER IT FOR FREE.



NEXTEL AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

BIRMINGHAM 2519 W Maple Rd (SW corner of Cranbrook & Maple) (248)723-8600

BLOOMFIELD HILLS 4036 Telegraph Rd (Next to Starbucks) (248)593 3665

BRIGHTON 315 E Grand River (East of Main St) (810)227 7440

CANTON 44011 Ford Rd (3 blks East of Sheldon Rd) (734)981-7440

FENTON 18010 Silver Parkway (in Silver Lake Village) (810)829-7440

HARTLAND 10112 Highland Rd (M-58 & Old US 23) (810)632-9300

HOWELL 4207 E Grand River Ave (in Sears Plaza) (517)545-7220

LANSING 440 E Edgewood (in front of Sam's Club) (517)394 7441

MILFORD 101 E Commerce (at Main St) (248)684-7440

NEW HUDSON 56754 Grand River (East of Milford Rd) (248)437-5353

OKEMOS 4738 Central Park Dr (Next to Panera Bread) (517)349 0300

SOUTH LYON 226 S Lafayette (Next to S Lyon Bakery) (248)437-5300

TAYLOR 8237 S Telegraph Rd (313)291 2912

WHITMORE LAKE 9245 M-36 (734)449-7199

WILLIAMSTON 725 W Grand River (next to Famous Taco) (517)655-8998

@Wireless www.shopatwireless.com

Get more done with free incoming calls and the highly advanced i730. Trade up to Nextel. Bring your number. SAVE \$75 ON THE NEW i730. With mail-in rebate.

Our slimmest full-feature phone Built-in walkie-talkie, Web access Speakerphone, color screen

NATIONAL FREE INCOMING PLAN

250 outgoing cellular minutes Free incoming cellular minutes Unlimited Push To Talk™ walkie-talkie minutes Nationwide long distance included

\$49.99 per month Other monthly charges apply See below.**

**Nextel also imposes a Federal Programs Cost Recovery (FPCR) fee of \$1.55 or \$2.83 The FPCR is not a tax or government required charge The fee is charged for one or more of the following E911 number pooling and wireless number portability

Offer expires March 31 2004 Requires one or two-year service agreement and credit approval \$200 early termination fee applies after 15 day trial period (conditions apply) Set up fee of \$35 per phone up to \$70 max per account applies \$75 Mail-in Rebate Expires March 31 2004 Available while supplies last Requires 2 yr. Service agreement Allow 10 12 weeks after phone purchase activation mailing in of a complete and valid rebate form to receive rebate Limit one rebate per phone purchase May not be available in all markets Full terms and conditions to be found on the mail-in rebate form National Free Incoming Plan Free Incoming calls are calls received while in the U.S. on the Nextel National Network Free Nationwide Long Distance includes domestic calls only Unlimited Direct Connect minutes are included in your local calling area only and do not include Group Connect calls which are \$0.15/min Nationwide Direct Connect calls use the Direct Connect minutes in your plan and incur an additional access charge of either (i) \$0.10/minute multiplied by the number of participants on the call or (ii) a monthly flat fee if you sign up for Unlimited Nationwide Direct Connect access Nationwide Direct Connect calls are charged to the call initiator Nationwide Direct Connect and Group Connect charges are calculated by multiplying the minutes of use number of participants and the applicable rate Group Connect can only work with members of the same network while in their home market Nationwide service is not available for Group Connect calls Cellular coverage is \$0.40/min Cellular calls round to the next full minute Unused minutes do not accumulate to the next billing cycle Nights are 9:00pm to 7:00am Weekends begin Fri at 9:00pm and end Mon at 7:00am Up to \$0.15 per sent or received text message depending on message type Additional charges may apply and may vary by market including state and federal taxes a Universal Service Assessment of either 1.087% or 1.25% in some states a Gross Receipt Recovery Fee of 1.4% to 5% a TRS charge of approx. 07% and a state required E911 fee Other Terms Nextel reserves the right to modify or terminate these offers at any time Offers may not be available in all markets Other conditions may apply Read service agreement for details Wireless Number Portability may not be available in all areas for all numbers Because number portability requires the efforts of multiple companies the amount of time it takes to transfer your number(s) will vary Nextel's Nationwide Network serves 293 of the top 300 markets ©2004 Nextel Communications Inc NEXTEL® NEXTEL DONE NEXTEL ONLINE® PUSH TO TALK PTT DIRECT CONNECT GROUP CONNECT NATIONWIDE DIRECT CONNECT and the Driver safety logo are service marks trademarks and/or registered trademarks of Nextel Communications Inc MOTOROLA and the Stylized M Logo are registered in the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office All other product names and services are the property of their respective owners All rights reserved

Ocelots roll to victory in state tourney

ROCKS

FROM PAGE B1

outscored Livonia Churchill 25-10 in the second quarter Tuesday at Canton

The win pushed the Chiefs' overall record to 11-7, they are 4-3 in the WLAAs Western Division Churchill is 4-15 overall, 1-7 in the conference

Waidmann finished with 19 points on 7-of-11 shooting from the floor and 5-of-5 at the free-throw line, he scored 12 points in the second quarter D J Bridges added 17 points on 7-of-8 shooting from the field, and Andy Cortellini had 10 points, five steals and three

assists The Chargers were led by Tristen Thomas and Tim Van Dusen with 15 points apiece, Thomas also grabbed eight boards

Churchill was crippled by the loss of Van Dusen to an ankle injury in the first half

Canton Agape 81, Inter-City 70

(OT): Canton Agape Christian won its homecoming game in style Saturday night, handing Allen Park Inter-City Baptist its first Michigan Independent Athletic Conference loss in overtime at Ypsilanti Calvary

The score was tied at 65 apiece after regulation, sending the two teams to OT

after Inter-City tied it with a minute to go

The Chargers would be outscored 16-5 in the extra session by Agape

The Wolverines were spurred on by the strong play by senior guard Charlie Henry, who finished with a game-high 25 points to go with eight rebounds Jordan Napier had 23 points and 11 boards, Derek Leathers netted 20 points and 10 rebounds, and Matt Cross contributed nine points and 10 rebounds

"This was a big game for us," Agape coach Chuck Henry said. The Wolverines are now 6-3 in the MIAC

The Chargers drop to 7-1 in the MIAC, 10-6 overall They were led by Brennan

Rees' 23 points Steven Draper had 16

On Monday, the Wolverines fell to 13-5 overall with a non-league loss at Whitmore Lake, 73-64 The Trojans were paced by Mike Hansen's 23 points, Elliot Munz had 15 and Drew Coker got 14

"We played pretty well, but we missed so many layups," said Henry "Give them credit, they're a pretty good team, especially for 94 feet of floor"

Charlie Henry played great offensively for the Wolverines, totaling 31 points and seven assists

Despite playing on a bad ankle, Napier contributed 13 points, Cross had 12 points and 11 rebounds

A little more offense, a little better defense, and Schoolcraft College's women's basketball team easily survived its first-round game in the Michigan Community College Athletic Association Tournament, slamming Glen Oaks CC 79-58 Monday at SC

The Ocelots got their 20th win of the season, improving to 20-7 Glen Oaks is 9-17

SC shot just 41.6 percent from the floor in the first half (15-of-36), but improved that to 48.5 percent in the second (17-of-35) They were aided by good rebounding (a 46-37 advantage, including 21 offensive boards) and a defense that forced 24 turnovers (SC had 16)

Five Ocelots scored nine points or more, led by Crystal

WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOOP

Pittman with 21 points, 10 rebounds and two blocked shots Takara Tuff had 14 points, seven boards and three assists, Sara Tyree totaled 12 points and four steals, and Tara Charles (from Redford Bishop Borgess) and Tiffani Pattilo had nine points and five rebounds apiece, Pattilo adding four assists and two steals Fiona Shead topped Glen Oaks with 17 points Renee Townsend had 13 and Shannan Abnet scored 11 Mallory Craft had seven points and 13 boards

Madonna 91, UM-Dearborn 56

Not much more than a practice session

That's what Saturday's game against visiting University of Michigan-Dearborn was to Madonna. The Crusaders, who improved to 11-18 overall, led 49-17 by halftime, allowing the Wolves to convert 6-of-25 shots from the floor (24 percent) while they made 20-of-32 (62.5 percent) Every Madonna player scored, led by Marwa Ayoub with 19 points, she also had six steals Next best was Kassi Jacob with 12 points and two steals, Sarah Thomson with 11 points and six rebounds, Hayley Myers with 10 points and three blocks, and Amy Henry (from Canton Agape Christian) with nine points and three assists

Best for UM-Dearborn was Kristin Buchanan with 21 points Amber Taylor had 17 and Nisreen Fahkouri scored 14

All-WHAC choices

The All-Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference basketball teams have been announced, and it's no surprise Madonna University junior Noel Emenhiser is on the squad

The 6-foot-5 guard led the conference in scoring, averaging 20.7 points per game He also averaged 4.4 rebounds a game, making better than 45 percent of his floor shots and 82 percent of his free throws

Madonna finished sixth in the conference regular season with a 3-9 record, the Crusaders were 10-18 overall

Also honored were senior point guard Dan Kurtinaitis, selected to the third team after averaging 14.7 points and 5.9 assists per game, junior guard Joe Kofahl, named to the all-defensive squad, and Emenhiser and Jim Woodworth, both chosen for the all-academic team Emenhiser has a 3.63 grade-point average, majoring in pre-engineering, Woodworth has a 3.28 GPA with a major in family and consumer science

From the Madonna women's team, sophomore Sarah Thompson was selected to the first team all-conference team The 5-foot-10 forward averaged 13.6 points and 8.2 rebounds per game this year

Marwa Ayoub, 5-9, earned all-conference second-team honors after posting a regular season average of 12 points and seven rebounds a game Freshman guard Stephanie Childs was selected for the all-newcomer team on the strength of 5.3 points, 3.9 rebounds per game

Madonna junior Jackie Pinkston, who owns a 3.8 grade-point average in Business, and senior Hayley Myers, who carries a 3.32 GPA in marketing, earn All-WHAC Academic honors

Why Michigan's electric deregulation law is bad for us and bad for you.

We've been responsible to the people of Michigan for over a hundred years. And in all that time we've never cried wolf. But now the wolf is at the door.

Because of flaws in the electric deregulation law, Public Act 141, out-of-state companies are coming in, snatching up the biggest electricity customers and leaving the rest of us to pay the price to keep the entire system running

These outside companies don't care about homeowners or small businesses. There's not enough profit there. In fact, the law says out-of-state suppliers don't have to serve low-income customers or senior

citizens or first-time homebuyers or people out in rural areas. We do serve them, of course, we always have.

PA 141 says we must cover the entire cost of the electric system—all the power plants, a million utility poles, 42,000 miles of power lines—and all the people who make it work. The out-of-town suppliers don't contribute fairly to the maintenance and upgrading of the system. That remains our responsibility. The reliability of that system is at serious risk. The only way we can properly support and sustain the electric system is to make up for the loss of revenue by

increasing rates to homeowners and small businesses. We're talking about rate hikes of up to 30%. Is that fair to you? No. But our hands are tied. It could come to a rate increase or a very real energy crisis.

Michigan's electric deregulation law was meant to stimulate competition, give everyone a choice and keep electricity affordable. It's done none of those things.

As the law stands, it just isn't fair, not to you and not to us. It needs to be fixed. Help us change a law that simply doesn't work. Log on to dteenergy.com and find out how you can help keep energy reliable and affordable for everyone.

Anthony F. Earley, Jr.

Anthony F. Earley, Jr.
Chairman and CEO
DTE Energy and Detroit Edison

Detroit Edison



A DTE Energy Company

dteenergy.com

Ex-Ocelot puts Broncos on map

WMU's Williams enjoying the ride

Derek Jeter may be the most famous athlete ever to come out of Kalamazoo, but the toast of the town these days is Western Michigan University basketball player Mike Williams



Williams

'He can shoot outside and put the ball on the floor. He has that wingspan. He's a fluid, talented player, a guy who can also

run the floor and do a lot of things'

Much sought-after by the media following the victory over Toledo, Williams refuses to buy into the MVP of the MAC talk.

'I can't think about that, there's a long way to go,' Williams said. 'That (Marshall) game brought us back down. It proves you can lose or beat any team in the MAC'

'That was my man (Marshall's Marvin Black) who scored 30. It left a real bitter taste in my mouth'

Williams capped a big night against Toledo by taking an alley-oop pass late in the second half from teammate Ben Reed and throwing it down for a dunk, which brought the University Arena house down and the subsequent 'MVP' chants

'Ben threw me a nice little alley-oop, we were clicking tonight and it showed,' Williams said. 'When we run, we're as good as any team around'

'I just tried to move around and stay active. Guys were getting me the ball and I was able to clean up some offensive rebounds'

On Saturday, College of Charleston (S.C.) traveled to WMU for an ESPN Bracket Buster showdown. With four MAC regular season games remaining until the conference tourney starts, Williams and his teammates are focused on just one thing — getting into the field of 64

Mike's won everywhere he's played — high school, junior college and now in college, said Schoolcraft coach Carlos Briggs said

As a senior, Williams played on the state Class D runner-up squad at City High before heading to Schoolcraft where he played as a freshman, only to sit out the following year because of academics

After leading SC to a 34-game winning streak the next season, he headed to Kalamazoo, recruited by coach Robert McCullum (now at South Florida)

Chants of "MVP, MVP" rang out Feb. 18 throughout University Arena as the 6-foot-8, 190-pound forward from Schoolcraft College and Detroit City High exited the court to a rousing ovation after putting on the finishing touches of a 30-point, 11-rebound performance in an 87-62 victory over the University of Toledo before a crowd of 4,078

Williams' sterling play this season has put the 19-3 Broncos just one win away from the MAC West Division title. WMU, 12-2 in the West, is also considered the co-favorite, along with East Division leader Kent State, to earn a bid into the NCAA Tournament

The game was billed as a duel of Mid-American Conference MVP candidates pitting Keith Triplett of Toledo, who was averaging 19.7 points per game, against Williams, who also is averaging nearly 19

Hounded and harassed all night by a stifling Bronco defense, Triplett finished with just eight points on 3-of-10 shooting

Williams, meanwhile, hit 12-of-19 from the floor and 6-of-10 from the foul line for a game-high 30

But more importantly, he made amends from a disappointing four-point effort just three days earlier in an 82-76 overtime loss at Marshall. The spindly forward played just 15 minutes in that game before fouling out

'Mike probably had the most sour taste in his mouth, he was the most upset of anybody,' WMU coach Steve Hawkins said. 'He could never get going in that game'

Mike is not what you call an explosive practice player although he's a focused practice player. But the last two days in practice he was very focused and played almost identical to that tonight'

Williams, a senior, came out blazing, scoring his team's first six points, causing Toledo coach Stan Joplin to use an early timeout

'He's long, he's lanky and obviously a veteran player,' Joplin said of the former Schoolcraft All-America, who led the Ocelots to a 35-1 record and a third place finish in the Division I National JUCO tournament in 2002

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Last season, Williams averaged 13.6 points as the Broncos finished 20-11 and earned a spot in the NIT

This year his numbers are not gaudy, but Jeter-like. Some describe the fundamentally-sound Williams' game as "old school"

His game, however, has matured. Williams is shooting 55.4 percent from the floor and 75.8 percent from the foul line, while grabbing 7.3 rebounds per game

Against PAC-10 foe Southern Cal, he scored a

career-high 31. Against another PAC-10 opponent, Arizona State, he put in 27. He also had 22 against Alabama-Birmingham

WMU reserve forward Bobby Madison, who played against Williams in the National JUCO tourney in Hutchinson, Kan., calls his teammate "a big-game player"

"I describe Mike as a player, not just a shooter or a slasher," Madison said. 'He's a guy who has 25 points, and when you look at the scoresheet, you say to yourself, 'how does he do that?'

"He just gets it done"

Just like Kalamazoo's favorite son, Derek Jeter

HOOP SCOOP

HOOP SHOOT

Canton Leisure Services will sponsor the MRPA Hoop Shoot basketball skills competition at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. The event is free to boys and girls ages 8-15 from the community

Players will have 60 seconds to score points from various locations on the court. Winners will advance to area competitions as representatives of the Canton community. Certificates and ribbons will be available to participants

Check-in is at 8:30 a.m., with competition starting at 9 a.m. Participants may register in advance or the day of the event, a valid birth certificate is required the day of the event

for age verification

For more information, call (734) 483-5600

3-ON-3 TOURNAMENT

There will be a youth 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. Sponsored by Canton Leisure Services, registration will begin at 11:30 a.m., with play beginning at noon. All games will be officiated, and all teams will be guaranteed two games

There will be boys and girls divisions for grades 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 and 9-12. Awards will be presented to the tournament winners and runners-up in each division. For more information, call (734) 483-5600

TAKE A RIDE IN A FORD... AT YOUR SUBURBAN FORD DEALERS

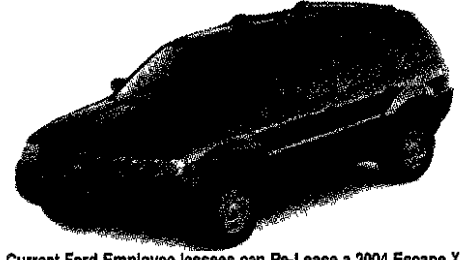


Current Ford Employee lessees can Re-Lease a 2004 Freestar SE

\$213
A month (1) with a 24 month low mileage Red Carpet Rental Lease

With \$2,058 customer cash due at signing

Includes security deposit and acquisition fee, excludes tax, title and license fee. Customer cash due at signing is net of all rebates. Payment includes \$1,000 renewal cash. \$3,000 RCL cash plus \$1000 A.Z. plan cash

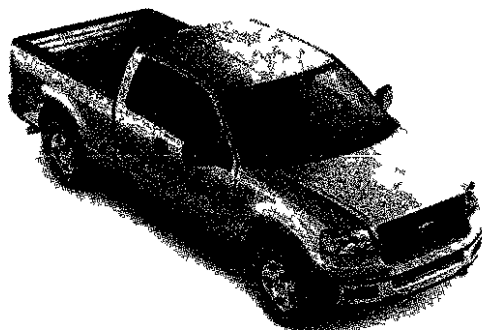


Current Ford Employee lessees can Re-Lease a 2004 Escape XLS

\$279
A month (1) with a 24 month low mileage Red Carpet Rental Lease

With \$1,674 customer cash due at signing

Includes security deposit and acquisition fee, excludes tax, title and license fee. Customer cash due at signing is net of all rebates. Payment includes \$500 renewal cash. \$3,000 RCL cash

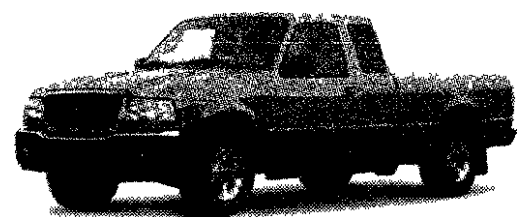


Current Ford Employee lessees can Re-Lease a 2004 F150 SC XLT 4x2

\$322
A month (1) with a 36 month low mileage Red Carpet Rental Lease

With \$1,767 customer cash due at signing

Includes security deposit and acquisition fee, excludes tax, title and license fee. Customer cash due at signing is net of all rebates. Payment includes \$500 renewal cash. \$1000 RCL cash plus \$500 A.Z. Plan bonus cash



Current Ford Employee lessees can Re-Lease a 2004 Ranger XLT 4x4

\$220
A month (1) with a 36 month low mileage Red Carpet Rental Lease

With \$1,565 customer cash due at signing

Includes security deposit and acquisition fee, excludes tax, title and license fee. Customer cash due at signing is net of all rebates. Payment includes \$500 renewal cash. \$2,500 RCL cash

JUST ANNOUNCED F-SERIES EARLY BIRD!

NOW ELIGIBLE FORD RCL F-150 LESSEES CAN TERMINATE THEIR LEASE UP TO 8 MONTHS EARLY!

THE EARLY BIRD PROGRAM IS AVAILABLE TO SELECTED F-SERIES RCL/ROO/APP LESSEES WITH SCHEDULED TERMINATIONS BETWEEN MAY 1, 2004 & OCTOBER 31, 2004. TAKE NEW RETAIL DELIVERY FROM DEALER STOCK BY 3/31/04. RESTRICTIONS APPLY. SEE DEALER FOR COMPLETE DETAILS.



St. Raphael Fish Fry Fridays

Every Friday During Lent Begins February 27th, 2004

Hours: 4:30-7pm or until dinners are sold out (Good Friday 3:30-7pm or until dinners are sold out)

Featuring Our Own Recipe for Hand Battered Icelandic Haddock:

- Fish Dinner...\$7.00
- Fish-Shrimp Combo...\$7.00
- Hot Dog & Fries...\$1.50
- Shrimp Dinner...\$7.00
- Fish Sandwich Plate...\$5.75
- Soft Drinks...\$1.00

Dinners include choice of mashed potato or fries, coleslaw, roll & butter and choice of coffee, hot tea or milk (carry out dinners do not include take out beverage)

St. Raphael Parish
Located on of Merriman Road 2 blocks N of Ford Road • Garden City
Sponsored by the St. Raphael 2003 Festival Committee

We have "No Problem" saving you money.

When you insure both your car and home with us, through Auto-Owners Insurance Company, we'll save you money! Stop in, or call us today for a "No Problem" insurance check-up

Auto-Owners Insurance
Life Home Car Business
The No Problem People

C. L. Finlan & Son Inc.
481 S. MAIN STREET
PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN 48170
734-453-6000

THE WORKS

LET OUR FACTORY-TRAINED TECHNICIANS PERFORM A THOROUGH INSPECTION OF YOUR VEHICLE, AND MORE.

- ✓ Genuine Motorcraft® oil and filter change
- ✓ Rotate and inspect four tires
- ✓ Inspect brake system
- ✓ Test battery
- ✓ Check air and cabin air filters
- ✓ Check belts and hoses
- ✓ Top off all fluids

Our Dealerships use genuine parts engineered specifically for your vehicle and installed by the factory trained technicians who know it best.

\$34.95 OR LESS

Up to 8 quarts of genuine Motorcraft oil. Taxes, disposal fees and Diesel vehicles extra. See participating Dealer for details through 3/1/04

GENUINE PARTS & SERVICE

GET THE NAME-BRAND TIRES RECOMMENDED FOR YOUR VEHICLE!

4 TIRES FOR \$99.00

PLUS, WE'LL BEAT ANY DEAL ON THE NAME-BRAND TIRES WE SELL - INCLUDING GOODYEAR, MICHELIN AND MORE.

Mounting, balancing & taxes extra. Requires presentation of competitor's current price ad on name-brand tires sold by dealership within 30 days of purchase. See participating Dealer for details or call 1-877-310-9973 through 3/1/04

(1) Some payments higher, some lower. Not all Lessees will qualify for lowest payment. For special lease terms. RCL Cash and \$500 Employee bonus cash on selected 2004 F150. \$1000 Employee bonus cash on 2004 Freestar. Take new retail delivery from dealer stock by 3/1/2004. RCL Cash may be taken in cash but is used towards down payment in examples shown. Lease renewal cash only available to customers terminating their Ford Division Red Carpet Lease and re-lease for 36 months by 3/1/2004. Leases terminated early qualify if terminated within program dates. Supplies are limited, not all dealers will have all featured models. Residency restrictions apply. See dealer for complete details. All payment examples are for Current Ford Employees and eligible family member Lessees. You must lease through Ford Credit to be eligible for RCL factor, RCL cash incentives, Renewal Cash and Employee Bonus Cash

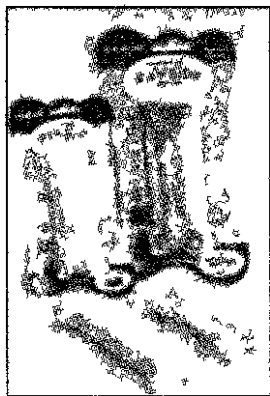
<p>VARSITY 3480 Jackson Rd. 1-800-875-FORD ANN ARBOR</p>	<p>ATCHINSON 9800 Belleville Rd. 734-697-9161 BELLEVILLE</p>	<p>GENE BUTMAN 2105 Washtenaw 734-482-8581 YPSILANTI</p>
<p>BRIARWOOD 7070 Michigan Ave. 734-429-5478 SALINE</p>	<p>HINES PARK I-96 at Milford Rd. 248-437-6700 LYON TWP.</p>	<p>FRIENDLY 2800 N. Telegraph, 734-243-6000 MONROE</p>

OPEN SATURDAYS

Accents

Bones to pick

Dogs love to chew on rawhide bones and they love to eat, too. Now they can do both at the same time, thanks to a new baked rawhide bone treat from the OurPet's Co. OurPet's Gourmet Rawhide Bones lend a delicious new twist to a traditional canine favorite. Made with all U.S. rawhide, using a unique baking formula, the bones are completely edible and easily digested. When chewed, they break down slowly, without splintering or crumbling. The bones also stay solid for a much longer time than regular rawhide treats, so they keep pets occupied for extended periods.



Gourmet Bones are available in eight delicious meat, fruit and vegetable flavors including apple, bacon, beef, carrot, chicken, mint, peanut butter and pear. This tasty variety of flavors makes Gourmet Rawhide Bones more appealing than plain rawhide. Available in small, medium and large bone shapes, Gourmet Rawhide Bones are suitable for all sizes and breeds. For best results, the bone size selected should be larger than the dog's mouth.

According to Dr. Steve Tsengas, president of OurPet's, while chewing traditional rawhide does appeal to the hunting and scavenging instinct in dogs, they can soon tire of the flavor and texture. "Gourmet Rawhide Bones give dogs a more appealing taste in a variety of different flavors," he said. "Plus, the bones don't become slimy or break apart, so they don't have to be thrown away, and the dog doesn't lose interest in them."

OurPet's Gourmet Bones are available at leading pet stores everywhere, and have suggested retail prices ranging from \$2.99 to \$4.99, depending on size.

For more information, contact OurPet's at (800) 565-2695, or visit www.ourpets.com

Light touch

Here's a tip from Morris and James Carey of AP Weekly Features that sheds light on a work area problem:

When your work area is dark and it's hard to see what you're doing, sometimes even a drop light won't help. In fact, on some occasions, a drop light can cast heavy shadows and make conditions worse.

If you want to shed light on the subject, simply use a rubber band to attach a tiny flashlight to the side of the screwdriver or extension shaft of your socket wrench. Instantly you will convert your tool to a lighted, operating device.

Warm wood

Homeowners add comfort, value, newness with flooring

Homeowners often look for ways to add warmth and depth to a room. They also want a new look. And that carpet is looking mighty old and worn from foot traffic and sunlight.

Today, many homeowners want wood floors. Whether it is pine, oak, cherry, bamboo or exotic woods, wood flooring is growing in popularity.

Bloomfield Hills resident Tom Hoffmeyer, owner of Property Care, a hardwood flooring business, said homeowners usually want wood floors installed not just for a new look, but also to increase the home's value.

The floors aren't restricted to one room, either. Right now, about 60 to 70 percent install the floors in the kitchen, foyer and the hallway, Hoffmeyer said.

"We do a lot of great rooms in the new homes, and they want the whole first floor done," Hoffmeyer said.

Harry Jachym, home improvement and maintenance columnist (Ask Dad) for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, installed wood flooring in his home in Plymouth.

"The foyer is real popular and so are kitchens, but the maintenance in these areas can be excessive, because there's dripping and spillage, and in the kitchen, you're dropping dishes," he said.

Wood trends vary, Hoffmeyer said, depending sometimes on taste and sometimes by price and availability. Brazilian cherry is cheaper than oak right now, he said. It runs in trends, sometimes they'll want oak then it's walnut and now it's Brazilian cherry.

Red oak is the most popular.

Then there are those who will do it yourself, like Jachym.

Prefinished woods are easy to use, Jachym said. Floors come in the standard woods of oak, pine and cherry. Exotic woods (or as Jachym refers to them, "rainforest woods") also can be purchased.

If you want a floor with the more expensive woods, you should hire a knowledgeable contractor, Jachym said. Wood floors are available at the "big box" stores (Home Depot and Lowe's), but many of the smaller flooring and carpet stores also carry them.

Putting it in is easy.

"You can rent a nailer for the three-quarter-inch, and there is the glue-down floors (three-eighths-inch)," Jachym said. "You put down the adhesive and lay them together as you put them down."

Jachym placed an engineered floor down with a parquet floor border. Because the parquet style was one-quarter-inch thick and the new center wood was three-eighths-inch thick, he had to build up the parquet inlay areas one-eighth inch with underlayment, then place the parquet tile on top of it.

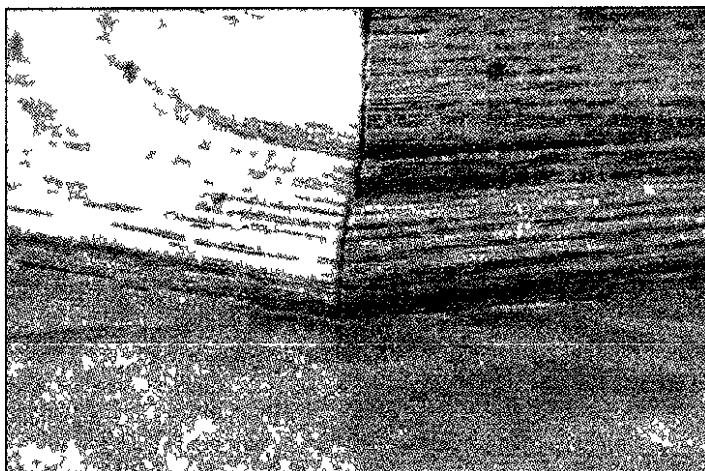
But he believes it is not that difficult of a project to do yourself.

"If anyone wants to DIY and can read instructions and has the tools, they'll be OK," Jachym said. "A miter saw is handy. A table saw helps if you have some special ripping."

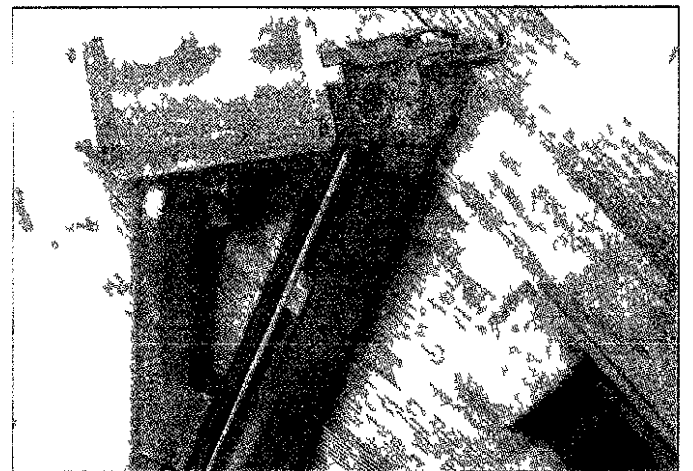
Sometimes floors may not be entirely level due to the foundation's settlement or load-bearing walls that create ups and downs in floors. Hoffmeyer offsets



Harry Jachym sits on the kitchen floor at his home in Plymouth. Jachym used both tongue-and-groove hardwood flooring along with a parquet border in his kitchen and dining room.



Corner round molding installed against base molding works well to hide any gaps that may occur as a wooden floor expands and contracts.



Instruments used in wood floor installation include a trim nailer, mallet, trim nails, flooring cleats and prefinished tongue-and-groove red oak.

that with roofing shingles and 15-pound felt to bring up those spots.

Wood floors also expand in the summer and contract in the winter. Worked about those gaps in the wood during the cold winter months?

Hoffmeyer said the gaps should not occur if the project is done correctly and the humidity is maintained. "Usually if you keep the humidity between 40 and 55 percent, the floor will stay where it is," he said.

Prefinished three-quarter-inch wood can be attached using a blind nailer or a flooring nailer, which can be rented, Jachym said.

Just gap the wood closest to the wall, Jachym said.

"When you put together the wood, you have tongue and groove put together," he said. "Tight is good. You allow instead for expansion along the edges of the room. The instructions will tell you how much to leave, then you will put molding on it to cover it up."

When the boards are laid next to one

another lengthwise, they should be staggered so they don't align with one another, but rather create a more random look. That installation method also helps prevent floor creaks.

If you install wood flooring on a lower level or basement, you want to make sure you have a good vapor barrier down, especially if the house sits on clay, Jachym said. A good test is done with a piece of aluminum foil. Set the foil on the floor overnight, then check under it the next morning. Moisture can permeate through concrete. "You can see if it's wet," he said. Warranties issued by manufacturers may not cover the wood flooring if it is installed below grade.

Building codes require a six-mil plastic layer on these floors, which will bring moisture in if the house has a high water table or poor drainage in a heavy clay soil.

The day-to-day use is easier with wood flooring, Jachym said. "It doesn't hold allergens like carpeting, but the downside is the refinishing," he said.

"You keep it up with every couple of years with the slightest bit of wear." The need for maintenance also depends on the type of finish and the amount of traffic and wear, too.

Jachym has two greyhounds, but the floor has held up well without many scuff marks.

Jachym likes to use the water-based polyurethane on the wood. Manufacturers carry high gloss or satin. "You don't have the smell of the oil base, and it's very fast drying," he said. "Oil bases have the smell and the cleanup. The volatile organic compounds tend to yellow with age. The polyurethane stays clearer longer."

Hoffmeyer said homeowners should not wash wood floors with water. "If you use water, you'll have a lot of moisture on the wood. And as that water evaporates, the moisture gets out of the wood," he said.

Homeowners should visit flooring stores and supply stores to price materials before completing such a project.

MARKET PLACE

Submissions

Do you have a special item you'd like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home?

We'd like to feature it!

Send a photo or slide of the piece along with information to:

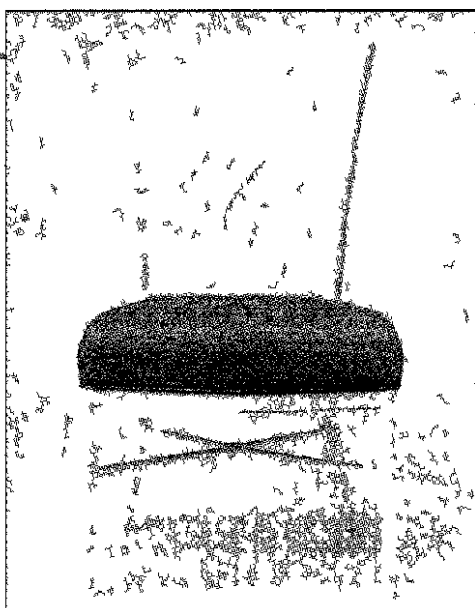
Ken Abramczyk

At Home editor

Observer &

Eccentric Newspapers

805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009



Ready for red

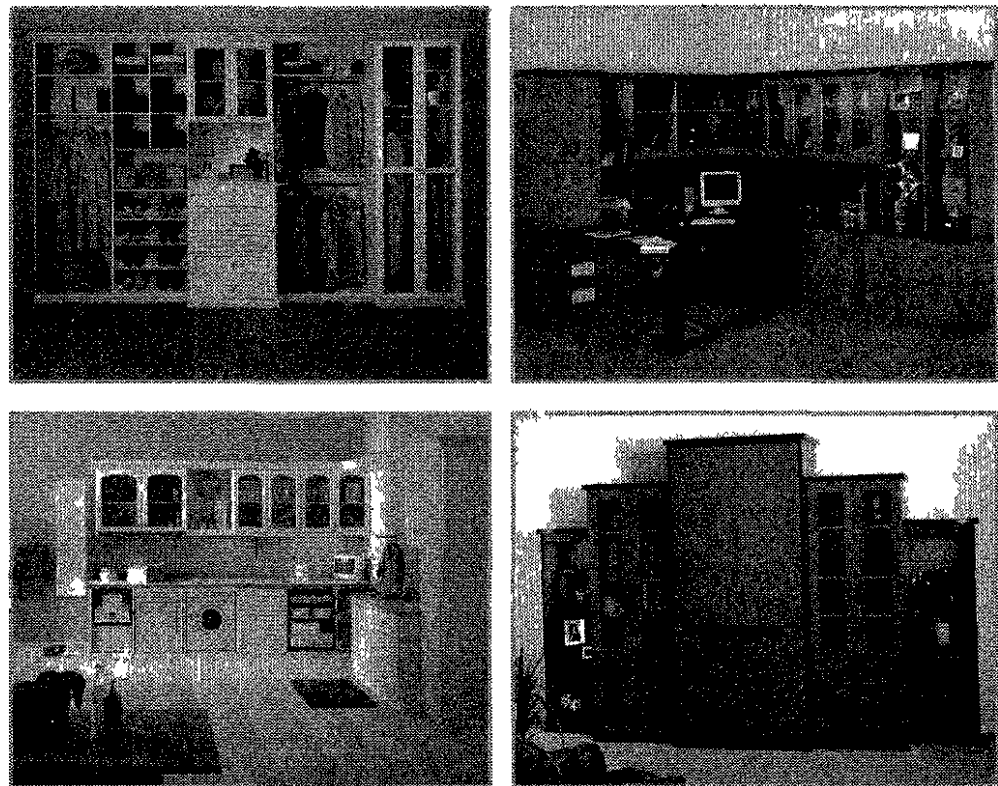
In the same way that a red dress can spice up a wardrobe, scarlet-hued accents can add vibrancy to a room's decor. The month of February might just be the time to add a punch of crimson color to enliven your interior.

Consider adding smaller touches - pillows, a throw or even an accent chair - to create a romantic tone or an element of drama.

McGuire's new Script chair by Barbara Barry is a stunning pull-up chair of hand-

crafted rattan. The design features a striking back detail that recalls the elegance and fluidity of Spencerian script. This playful and graceful calligraphic theme is paired with a bright red upholstered seat. The Script chair is available as shown in a special Camellia White finish to the trade for \$1,722, and in a Tobacco or Pecan finish at retail for \$1,550. A Script armchair is also available.

For more information, call (800) 662-4847 or visit mcguirefurniture.com

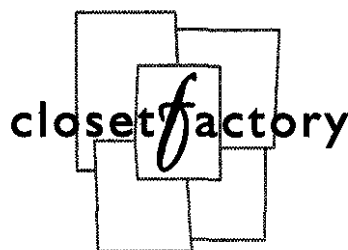


IF ONLY YOUR LIFE WERE THIS ORGANIZED.

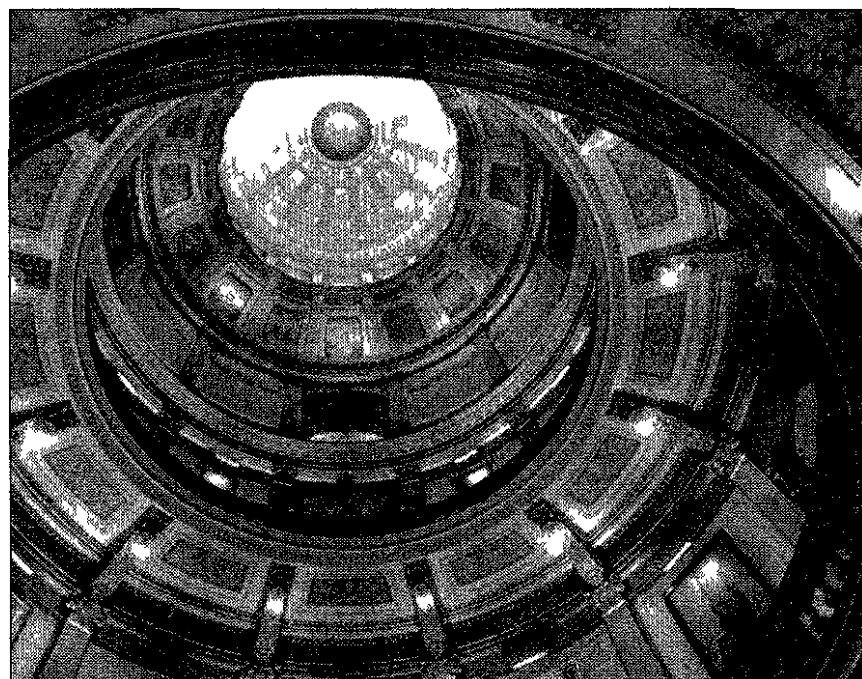
At Closet Factory, we create custom storage solutions that fit your home exactly. Our Designers are masters at making closets, entertainment centers, offices and garages efficient and easy to manage. With that out of the way, you'll have more time for carpoos and grocery shopping. Lucky you

FREE INSTALLATION
for a limited time only

Call for a FREE design consultation
586.739.4289
877.539.2889



www.closetfactory.com
10 000



This is the dome of Michigan's state capitol building in Lansing. Monte Nagler used a wide angle lens and tripod to get this dramatic shot.

Highlight indoor features in photos

Photography is so often regarded as an outdoor activity that many amateurs overlook the photographic possibilities to be found indoors. The world contains many rooms, new and old, humble and grand, that may reveal a little of the way people live or provide a scene as attractive as a landscape.

Begin by analyzing the character of the room and selecting its most important features. In a house, it may be a curved staircase or a vaulted ceiling with dramatic beams. In a public building, look for a row of columns, a marble statue, or



Focus on Photography

Monte Nagler

perhaps a painted fresco.

Select a vantage point that best shows the interior. Maybe it's from the bottom of the stairs looking up at an unusual angle or looking down from an upper balcony.

Most often, a wide angle lens between 17mm and 28mm is in order. They not only enable you to get more of the interior in the viewfinder, but they give you the all important advantage of tremendous depth-of-field. This way, you can place foreground subjects such as a vase of flowers or figurine in the foreground to add extra interest to your shot and fill the empty space at the bottom of the viewfinder. You'll need a small aperture which will require a longer shutter speed, but so what? Nothing's moving just get out the trusty tripod.

Make sure if shooting across

a room that the camera angle is perpendicular to the walls. This way, vertical lines won't converge, they'll be straight up and down.

The best lighting for dramatic interiors is natural light coming in from windows and skylights. Be sure to use daylight balanced color film in your choice of slides or prints.

If there is no window light to illuminate your interior, artificial light is required. Use either flash or tungsten lights and make sure you're using the right film for proper color balance. Daylight with flash and tungsten film with tungsten lighting.

The keys to effective interior photography are composition and selecting the best camera position. As in all good photography, you want to produce a meaningful photograph with impact. Try to capture the essence and personality of the interior you are photographing.

Monte Nagler is a fine art photographer based in Farmington Hills. You can leave him a message by dialing (734) 953 2047 on a touch tone phone. His fax number is (248) 644 1314.

KITCHEN REFACING FREE ESTIMATES

- The Leader in Cabinet Refacing
- Factory Direct
- Much less than replacing
- Solid Oak, Maple, Cherry
- References in your neighborhood



cabinet clinic

WEST (734) 421-8151
NORTH (586) 751-1848
EAST

www.cabinetclinic.com

All the name brands in one showroom. Only at

McLaughlin's OF SOUTHGATE

Thomasville

WINNERS ONLY

HABERSHAM

SMITH BROTHERS

ISENHOUR

THE CASHMERE STORE

HOOKER

LEXINGTON

BRADINGTON-YOUNG

BARCAOUNGER

NICHOLS & STONE

HENREDON

SHERDILL

SALOOM

Durham

HOWARD MILLER

Stanley

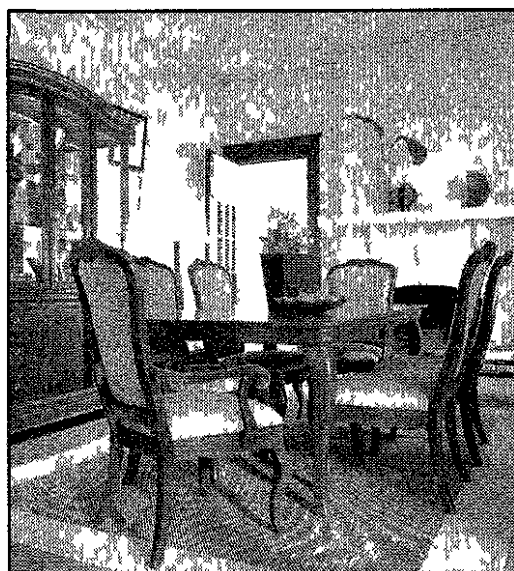
THE HANSON

HEKMAN

Sligh

CANADEL

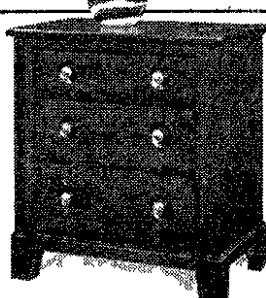
Now thru March 1st receive
18 MONTHS NO INTEREST
ON SELECT
Thomasville



DURING THE THOMASVILLE 5 DAY LEAP YEAR EVENT WE'VE GOT SPECIAL FINANCING WITH NO INTEREST DUE FOR A FULL 18 MONTHS BUT THAT'S JUST THE BEGINNING. WE'VE ALSO LOWERED PRICES ON OUR ENTIRE MARTINIQUE™ COLLECTION FEATURING BEDROOM, DINING ROOM AND LIVING ROOM FURNITURE WITH AN ELEGANT UNDERSTATED FRENCH DESIGN. **SO HURRY IN, BECAUSE THESE GREAT OFFERS ARE ONLY GOOD NOW THROUGH MARCH 1!**

FREE NIGHT STAND
Durham HANDCRAFTED SOLID WOOD FURNITURE SINCE 1898
solid wood night stand valued up to \$955

NOW THRU MARCH 15, PURCHASE ANY 4 PIECE BEDROOM SET FROM DURHAM AND RECEIVE A FREE NIGHTSTAND.
Buy four or more pieces and receive a free night stand. Beds are considered one piece. Discounts off msp. See store for details. Offer ends 03 15 04.

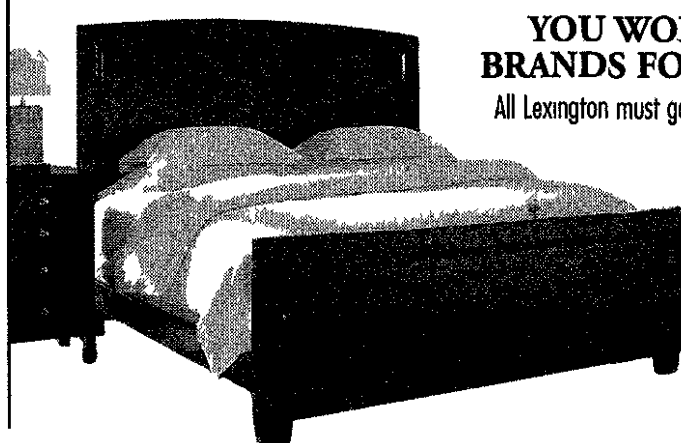


SOUTHGATE LOCATION ONLY

TAKE AN ADDITIONAL 20% OFF ALL LEXINGTON FLOOR SAMPLES

YOU WON'T FIND LEXINGTON HOME BRANDS FOR LESS IN METRO DETROIT!

All Lexington must go. This includes all of Lexington's premier name brands. Some items sold in groups only. SOUTHGATE LOCATION ONLY.



- Tommy Bahama
- Waverly
- Nautica Home
- Palmer Home
- Bob Mackey
- Southern Living
- Haley & Carter
- Wendell

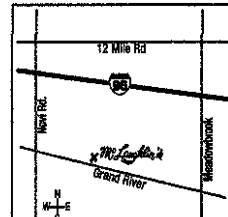
HENREDON
CRAFTSMANSHIP...TAILORING...PRECISE DETAILING

Now you can enjoy the luxury of chair, sofa and sectional seating with Henredon quality at prices more affordable than ever. It's all possible through the Fireside Upholstery Collection. Starting at \$1999

SOUTHGATE LOCATION ONLY

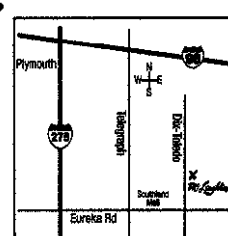
For exclusively Thomasville,

McLaughlin's Thomasville
HOME FURNISHINGS OF NOV
42200 Grand River, Novi • 248 344 2551



For Thomasville and other fine collections,

McLaughlin's of Southgate
HOME FURNISHING DESIGNS
14405 Dix, Southgate • 734.285 5454



*See store for details. All discounts are off msp. Previous sales may not have been at those prices. Financing is subject to credit review. See store for details. Offer ends 03 15 04. Some items sold in groups only. Floor sales excluded.

Woman gives woodworking instructions

Carol Reed, the Router Lady, will teach woodworking tools and skills March 4-9 at the Michigan Home & Garden Show at the Pontiac Silverdome.



Reed

Tool companies have changed tool handles and battery packs for cordless tools to

make them easier for smaller hands to handle. Tool packaging also features pictures of women on their boxes.

Reed began professional woodworking in 1984 when her hairdresser asked her to build a rocking cradle for her daughter. She attended Palomar College's famous woodworking school in southern California in the 1980s and returned there as an instructor in the 1990s.

The Home & Garden Show's hours are 3-9:30 p.m. Thursday, noon to 9:30 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$7, \$3 for children 6-14 and free for children 5 and under. Advance tickets, which include a free parking pass, are available online at www.SilverdomeHomeShow.com. Weekday adult admission discount coupons are available at Speedway. Onsite parking is available for a fee. For more information, visit www.SilverdomeHomeShow.com or call (800) 328-6550.

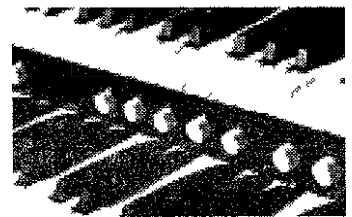
In addition to teaching and demonstrating at woodworking and home shows, Reed holds classes at her own woodshop in Ramona, Calif., just northeast of San Diego. She is also a furniture builder.

Her pieces have been featured in numerous books. Reed's most recent book is *Router Joinery Workshop Common Joints, Simple Setups & Clever Jigs* that acts as a guide to the router for both beginning and experienced woodworkers.

Reed is part of a growing trend of women getting involved in home improvement and woodworking. Almost half (47 percent) of all new woodworkers are women according to *Woodworking in America*, commissioned by Rodale Press in 1998.

Women composed 19 percent of the 20.4 million woodworkers in the U.S. in 1998. There were 4 million female woodworkers in 1998 compared to 3 million in 1995, a 30 percent increase over three years.

Plan your weekend activities each Thursday with Filter



FRANKS NURSERY

WHERE BEAUTIFUL THINGS BEGIN

Buy One Get One FREE
Special Purchase Wicker. Buy one at the reg. price, get the 2nd of equal or lesser value FREE!
Reg. \$59-\$99

save 50%
Entire Stock of Spring Bushes
Reg. \$1.40-\$14.99
SALE 74¢-7.49

19.99 save \$20
4 Palm "Lifelike" Floorplant
Choose from 3 different styles
Reg. 39.99

Cabin Fever Cure

Franks has the remedy for your winter blues.

Buy More & Save!
4/\$10
Violets & Foliage
Reg. 2.99-\$9.99
when purchased individually.

2/\$12
Special Buy Floorplants
Choose from Aroids, Dracaenas, Palms and more.
Reg. 7.99 ea.
Special Buy Table Plants.
Reg. 5.99 ea. **SALE 3/\$12**

save 50%
Ferry Morse Flower & Vegetable seeds
Reg. 99¢-3.99
SALE 49¢-1.99

9.99 save 50%
13" Fiberglass Planters Reg. 19.99
15 Planters Reg. 29.99 **SALE 14.99**

29% sale
Frank's 4-Step Lawn Care Program
Complete lawn care program creates a lush, thick lawn in 4 easy steps. Each bag covers 5,000 sq. ft. Reg. 43.95
15,000 sq. ft. Reg. 121.95. **SALE 87.95**

Buy One Get One FREE
25-lb. Black Oil Sunflower Seed
Reg. 11.99

Store Hours:
Sunday, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday Saturday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Effective Sales Dates: 2/26/04-3/6/04

White quantities list. We reserve the right to limit quantities. For store locations or address to our online Mail visit us at: www.franks.com

LVONIA MI 27650 School c a 3 3 937 039 FARMINGTON MI 3 590 G 7 e 248 4 6 02 0 AUBURN HILLS MI 327 Su B d e 248 852 0 22
LIVONIA MI 36624 B M e 734 59 3930 CANTON TOWNSHIP MI 434 3 Fo d Rd 734 98 3 99 W BLOOMFIELD M 300 Hagg e y Rd 248 68 5737

WINTER WHITE SALE

Extended through Saturday February 28th

Ceramic 13x13 Off White Tile

89¢ sf

Granite & Marble Slab Remnants

\$9.00 sf

3cm Granite

\$38.95 sf to \$49.95 sf

installed with 2 edges. 11 colors to choose.

10% to 60% OFF Everything in the Showroom!!

Remnants can be cut and finished at extra charge!

Rosa Beta & Luna Pearl 3cm Granite

\$38.95 sf installed

Marble White Carrara 16x16

\$2.99 sf

Ceramic Tile Sales Inc. Marble & Granite Shop

Visit One of Our Showrooms!

Southfield
23455 Telegraph Rd.
248-356-6430

Farmington Hills
24301 Indoplex Circle.
248-426-0093

Showroom Hours:
M, TU, Th 8:30-5:00
Wed, F 8:30-8:00
Sat 9:00-5:00

Dispelling a few myths about pets and their care

Members of my staff and I recently discussed myths

We didn't discuss the nuances of Ulysses or the origins of Paul Bunyan, but we were telling the stories we've held as true throughout our lives

We swapped ghost stories, talked of vanishing hitchhikers, and mostly gave each other chills as we spoke about things we'd heard. These stories can be entertaining, and usually cause no harm

Sometimes false beliefs can be hazardous

Many people believe strange myths about animals, such as those who ask me about pit bulls locking their jaws, or whether motor oil can get rid of fleas

People who believe such things are not lying, or gullible. They grew up hearing these things, so it's part of their belief system. Usually these beliefs aren't harmful, but they can be, to animals and to people, either now or down the line



About Animals

Dr. Brad Davis

For example, I can't tell you how often I have heard that it's better to wait until after the first heat cycle to spay a dog or a cat

Sharon Sheehy, doctor of veterinary medicine of the VCA of Livonia says that's foolish

"Waiting until after the first heat allows a lot of accidental litters to occur," Dr. Sheehy said. "People do not realize how persistent male dogs can be"

"Allowing that burst of hormones from the first heat cycle to hit the mammary glands can also increase the risk of mammary cancer later in life. The risk of mammary cancer in a female dog spayed before her first heat cycle is almost zero"

Certainly they should have one litter? I am told regularly that "everyone should know they should have at least one litter"

Not at all true. Too many puppies and kittens die because there aren't enough homes. If you're not a true breeder, making more is an exercise in ignorance, and unneeded danger and discomfort for the pet giving birth

Despite what Disney cartoons show, dogs and cats do not search for life fulfillment in their romantic relationships and in the need to be mommies and daddies. They have no deep seeded need to have a litter. Don't force them

(Wanting the "kids to experience the magic of birth" is a terrible reason to make more babies. Rent them a video or actually talk to your children. Don't use your pet as a tool for show-and-tell)

People always tell me that if you want a healthy dog, get yourself a mixed breed dog. They have a lot less health

problems than full breeds do. Not necessarily so

"Owning a mixed breed dog is not a guarantee that you won't have to deal with genetic health problems," Dr. Sheehy said. "A Labrador-rottweiler mix still has a pretty good chance of developing hip dysplasia because both parent breeds have high predispositions"

"A mixed breed is much less expensive, but if you spent more and bought a purebred from a good breeder you would have known more about the parents and likely gotten a health guarantee"

Cats also get to ride the misinformation bandwagon

I am commonly told by owners that their cat decided to stop using the litterbox "out of spite," as vengeance to get back at the owner for some misdeed like leaving them all day. This isn't true

Remember, cats don't know this would be a bad thing for you. If they wanted to get you back for something, they might

scratch, hiss, ignore or whatever, but they don't unleash diabolical plans to make your house smell fresh

Cats need to go outside, or else they will never be happy. Not so, says Mark Alsager, doctor of veterinary medicine at the Alsager Animal Care Center in Canton

"Outdoor cats account for a majority of the illness and injury in a vet practice. Indoor cats thrive as long as they have something to do"

Something to do? Yes, of course. We all know about those evil cats. They can steal a baby's breath, you know!

"Only in a Steven King movie," Dr. Alsager said. "Cats generally avoid infants - they smell and they are noisy." Still, as a safety precaution, you should never let any pet sleep with a child

What about pregnant women? People tell me all the time, they heard from their great aunt that pregnant women need to get rid of their cat, or else they will have trou-

ble - maybe even lose the baby!

Should a pregnant woman get rid of her cat? Dr. Alsager says no

"The concern is a parasite called toxoplasmosis," he said. This parasite is found in outdoor cat feces as well as improperly cooked pork products"

Pregnant women should use the power of pregnancy to make sure their husband becomes the litterbox cleaner during the pregnancy. Or maybe find a hitchhiking ghost to clean it for you! They seem to have a lot of free time. At least, that's what I heard

Dr. Brad Davis is the Medical Director for the VCA of Garden City 2085 Inkster Road Garden City MI 48135. Feel free to write him there with questions and comments. He is also one of the hosts of the nationally syndicated radio show Animal Talk now heard on WSDS 1480AM. Visit the web site at www.AnimalTalkRadio.com. Send E-mail questions or comments with your e-mail address to Questions@animaltalkradio.com

Don't Compromise Customize!

Now you can have wall systems entertainment centers or bookcases custom built just for you. See over 40 entertainment centers and wall systems on display. All units can be sized to fit any wall, any TV and any sound system.

There's nothing better than being "front row center" in your own home theater. Our Cinema Collection is ideal for TV and movie viewing with generous proportions, plush cushions and a look that's just what the script called for. Choose fabric or leather with manual or power reclining units.

Um. C. Franks FURNITURE
2945 S. Wayne Road • Wayne (4 Blocks N. of Michigan Ave.)
734-721-1044

Store Hours: Mon., Thurs., Fri. 9-9, Tues., Wed., Sat. 9-6

Too Late To... Classified

For those last minute ads that just had to get in!

5000-5900 Employment Best of the Best Help Wanted-General 5000 DRIVER/REPO with or without own tow truck. Clean driving record required. Good volume. Call 419 843-8740	7000-7700 Merchandise Household Goods 7100 LIFT CHAIR \$200 SEAT ASSIST \$225 round pedestal oak table \$75 large mirror 5x4 \$40 (248) 528 3786	8000-8900 Boats/Motors 8020 THOMPSON 1995 20 cuddy many extras low hours w/trailer (734) 416-3955 Motorcycles/Motobikes/Go-Karts 8070 Harley Davidson Softail special w/leon 1994 gray/white 12 864 miles \$12 500/best Days 313 255 3100 ext 288 John or eves 248 377 0312
9000-9900 Electrical Technician Mechanically inclined in stall and repair electric powered gate operators. Apply in person at Contractors Fence fax resume 313 592 8401 mfr@contractorsfence.com	1000-1900 Appliances 7100 WASHER & DRYER works good \$140 for pair & misc items (734) 355 9624	2000-2900 Junk Cars Wanted 8200 ALL AUTOS TOP\$\$ Junked Wrecked or Running We buy & also accept donations for domestic violence shelters E & M 248 474 4425 Evenings 734 717 0428
3000-3900 Warehouse Position Seeking a reliable individual who possesses a tent or tent detail to a job site on a go-pro to take care of heavy equipment to handle multiple tasks efficiently. Excellent working environment in the Plymouth area full time competitive wages. Please apply in person at FLO TEC INC 45255 Five Mile Road Plymouth MI 48170 (734) 455-7655	4000-4900 Household Goods 7100 Collection of crystal stone vase including Wafel food Lo... paper vases... oval rectangular mahogany dining room table & sets of dining room chairs Antique and contemporary oil paintings Mahogany bedroom dressers beds highboys vanities & beds Sarouk oriental rug by Karastan Chippendale camel back sofas by Kittinger & Baker Mahogany buffets sideboards & servers Venetian & crystal chandeliers Too much to list!	5000-5900 Sports & Imported 8300 CORVETTE 1998 convertible black/ok top new tires top & exhaust 39k m auto \$29 500 248 477 6688
6000-6900 Secretary Position at busy law office. Some computer experience required. Send resume to Charles Schoder PC 39319 Plymouth Rd #1 Livonia MI 48150 or fax 734-691-4893	7000-7700 Household Goods 7100 Mahogany interiors 505 South Washington Royal Oak (248) 545 4110	8000-8900 Ford 8400 TAURUS SES 2001 Loaded 4 dr exc cond 40K \$8 995/best. Lost job 248-478-4202
8000-8900 Household Goods 7100 CHRYSLER 1975 14 ft Tr-Haul 55 hp w/trailer \$1200/best Ask for Dan T (734) 422 7540	9000-9900 Autos Under \$2000 8700 NEW YORKER 1987 loaded Montana car new tires very exc cond Full power Must sell \$1300 313 333 8515	

Volunteers sought for Cranbrook House docents

Cranbrook House Auxiliary is seeking volunteers to train as docents for guided tours of Cranbrook House on Thursdays and Sundays from May through October 2004, Cranbrook's Centennial year. The six-week training session will begin 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, at Cranbrook House, 380 Lone Pine Road in Bloomfield Hills. To sign up, call (248) 645-3149. The training session is free, but docents are asked to join Cranbrook House & Gardens Auxiliary for \$35 annual dues to support its preservation. To learn more about the training, call the Cranbrook House Auxiliary office at (248) 645 3149 or e-mail docent coordinator Bob Schuler at schulerm@comcast.net. Cranbrook House is the oldest surviving manor home in metro Detroit. It was designed by Albert Kahn in 1908 for Cranbrook founders George Booth and Ellen Scripps Booth. George Booth was the former publisher of *The Detroit News*, and he founded Booth Newspapers. The Booths commissioned the finest artisans, craftsmen and studios of the period to furnish the house with hand-crafted furniture, tapestries, tiles and stained glass. In 1904, the Booths bought a run-down farm in Bloomfield Hills that evolved into one of the world's leading centers for art and education. Cranbrook is dedicated to excellence in education, science and art. During its first century, Cranbrook has grown from a 174-acre rural farm and artistic center into a dynamic 315-acre National Historic Landmark campus that includes its Academy of Art, Art Museum, Institute of Science, Schools, Cranbrook House & Gardens Auxiliary and other affiliated cultural and educational programs. Centennial events are held at www.cranbrook.edu

Find new decorating ideas each Thursday in At Home

BEST INVESTMENT WE EVER MADE

We hear that a lot. Lennox High Efficiency Furnaces save you money, sometimes as much as 40% over your old furnace.

CALL TODAY & START SAVING!
248-489-8180 313-537-8111

FREE ESTIMATES

Airtronic Heating & Cooling

LENNOX

MICHIGAN'S LARGEST SPORTS CARD SHOW

BUY TRADE SELL FEB. 27-28-29 CARDS COMICS & MORE

FRI 12-9 • SAT 10-9 • SUN 10-6

CARDS • COMICS • MEMORABILIA • SUPPLIES & MORE!
ADMISSION ONLY \$2.00 PER CARLOAD!

FORMER BASEBALL SUPERSTAR STEVE GARVEY SATURDAY FEB 28TH APPEARING AT 1 00 PM \$20 00 BALL / FLAT / OTHER ITEMS \$35 00 BAT JERSEY or NUMBER Mr. Garvey's appearance courtesy of MC SPORTS	FROM THE TV SHOW 'SEINFELD' 'THE SOUP NAZI' LARRY THOMAS SATURDAY FEBRUARY 28TH 12 00 PM - 2 00 PM \$10 00 ANY ITEM (INCLUDES 8X10 PHOTO)
WRESTLING SUPERSTAR SPIKE DUDLEY SATURDAY FEB 28TH 3 00 PM 5 00 PM \$10 00 ANY ITEM	RARE APPEARANCE HOCKEY HALL OF FAMER JARI KURRI SUNDAY FEB 29TH • 2 00 PM \$20 00 PUCK / FLAT \$30 00 STICK JERSEY EQUIP NUMBER

Gibraltar TRADE CENTER, INC. 1-75 & EUREKA RD. (EXIT 36) TAYLOR 734-287-2000 GIBALTARTRADE.COM

FREE FRIDAY ADMISSION WITH THIS COUPON FRIDAY FEB 27TH ONLY

CABINET REFACING TODAY'S AFFORDABLE SOLUTION

Enjoy the new kitchen look without the high new kitchen price. 10% SENIOR'S DISCOUNT

Save up to 50% of the cost of new replacement cabinets. Higher resale value if you sell your home.

Turn your old, worn out looking kitchen into a source of pride!

CALL 734-454-3755

Manufacturers Close Out SALE

From \$1.23 sq. ft. installed

NO PAYMENTS FOR ONE YEAR!

FLOOR COVERING PLUS Over 50 Years Experience

Call Now! 313-381-8003

COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL FLOOR COVERINGS

The Plus Is Customer Satisfaction

Flexsteel Sit Back & Relax Sale

America's Seating Specialist

Patented Flexsteel spring and metal seat frame feature a lifetime warranty.

Resilient stainless wire backings.

Back padded with supportive polyurethane foam and polyester fibers.

High-recoil enc foam with polyester fiber cushion guaranteed for life.

Help make your dreams come true with a flexsteel recliner starting at \$399⁰⁰

Some Models Available in Leather

Laurel FURNITURE, INC
584 W ANN ARBOR TRAIL • PLYMOUTH • (734) 453-4700

Open Daily 9 30 6 Thurs & Fri til 9, Sat til 5 30

FLEXSTEEL FINE FURNITURE BEGINS ON THE INSIDE

Play the rebate game

If there are sweeter words in the English language than "free after rebate," I haven't heard them.

As someone who purchases a lot of gadgets and gear, I'm always on the lookout for rebate deals. Five dollars back on this, \$20 back on that - it can really add up over time.

Recently I was shopping for a wireless LAN adapter for my notebook. A promotional e-mail from eCost.com arrived at just the right time, offering a Syntax USB Wi-Fi adapter for \$29.95 - with a \$29.95 mail-in rebate.

Even shipping was free, as I'd spent over \$25. My only cost was a \$3.95 "handling fee" (an annoying eCost staple) and a 37-cent stamp to send in the rebate form.

As I write this, Best Buy is offering massive rebates on Toshiba notebooks - upwards of \$400 on some models.

This week's CompUSA deal to beat is a 200-gigabyte hard drive for just \$99.99 - the final price after a pair of mail-in rebates totaling \$100.

Needless to say, there's big money to be saved if you're willing to expend some effort and gamble just a little bit.

The effort lies in reading every word of fine print on the rebate form and following the instructions to the letter. If, for instance, the company requires the original store receipt and you send a copy, the rebate may be rejected.

The companies that offer these deals are banking on you making just such a mistake, or deciding it's not worth the hassle to fill out the form, address the envelope, and so on. I don't know about you, but I can spare 10 minutes to make \$10.

Smart rebating (hey, antiquing is a word,



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

so why not rebating?) means making copies of everything you send in. It means reminding yourself to make sure the rebate check actually arrives - many people just plan forget about them.

If you have a PDA, set an alarm for two months down the road. Or just write it on your calendar. If you haven't received your check within the promised time (usually six to eight weeks), follow up with the company. You can often

find a toll-free phone number or Web address on the rebate form.

So what's the gamble? Quite simply, there's a chance you'll never get your money. This can happen for any number of reasons - lost mail, mistakes at your end, mistakes at their end, the company goes out of business, and so on - and it does happen.

Fortunately, it's rare. And what's life without a little risk? To find the latest and greatest rebate deals, head to sites like PriceGrabber.com, SpooFee.com, and TechBargains.com and visit their rebate sections.

Let the bargain hunting begin!

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Broida of Commerce Township has written for computer and technology magazines and is a co-author of several books on handheld computing. Readers who have questions for Broida can email him at rickbroida@excite.com.

Vent line into kitchen a no-no

Kathy from Novi recently wrote me, relaying a story about the second-hand refrigerator she bought from a neighbor about five years ago. The refrigerator is white with a textured front door.

"My problem is that I have rust all over the door on the textured surface. I have tried bleach, Oxy-clean, and rust remover products, and the list goes on. Can you help me?"

I am about to remodel my kitchen, but the refrigerator will be an eyesore if I can't fix this problem. I don't understand why this is happening. I have my refrigerator located within 7 feet of my dryer vent which is vented into the room for humidity.

"Could this be my problem? Venting my dryer to the outside is not an option. This has never been a problem with any other refrigerator I have had. The refrigerator is only about 8 years old and works perfectly, I don't want to replace it. Please help."

Kathy, I had to give a lot of thought as to how I would answer your e-mail because the second part of your message is the most concerning.

You can forget about trying to solve the rust problem on the door by using cleaners. You would have to take the door off,



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

take it to an auto body shop and have them sand-blast it and repaint it. I did this once with an old wrought iron bed frame and it came out looking beautiful. You could try to do the refrigerator door on your own by using a sander, painting it with rust-inhibitor primer and finishing it off with an original spray paint purchased from an appliance parts company. There is a chance that when you are all done, the door will not match the appearance of your newly remodeled kitchen.

The second part of your e-mail really grabbed my attention because you informed me that your clothes dryer is vented into the kitchen and the reason is to bring in extra humidity. This is more than just a no-no, it very well could be the cause of why you have rust on the refrigerator door but most important, venting a dryer into any living quarter of a house could be a serious detriment to good health.

The great amount of humidity

that comes out of a clothes dryer is excessive, far beyond a normal level. It can cause wood to swell, such as cabinets and hardwood floors and even introduce mildew and mold into hidden areas. Another serious health hazard are by-products of a washer load sent into the air through that vent. Fabric softeners, chlorine or bleach and detergents with their additives will be removed during the dryer cycle. These substances can corrode the heat exchanger of a furnace or eat away at the solder joints on copper piping. Just imagine what effect this air you breathe can do to your lungs.

I don't think I need to tell you that this is not the norm. As a matter of fact, I can't remember anyone ever telling me that they had a vent line leading into a kitchen.

You tell me you're going to remodel your kitchen and I strongly suggest you find the option to find a way to vent the clothes dryer to the outside. All clothes dryers, gas or electric should be vented to the outside. Stay tuned.

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

\$4.5 Billion to winners!

Ten years of action, ten years of winning, and ten years of being the area's best!



Play today, there's more to come!

Know Your Limit, Play Within It! 1-800-238-3585 Ontario Problem Gambling Helpline. Must be 19 years of age or older. www.casinosins.com. © Since 1994.



Final 2 Weeks Of Our Annual

WINTER SALE



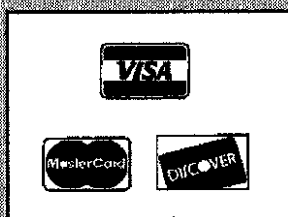
Save up to

40%

Don't Miss Out On The Last 2 Weeks Of Special Winter Sale Savings

On Everything At Classic Interiors. We Have The Best Dining Room, Bed Room, And Living Room Furniture By The Best Manufacturers In The Business Today. Come In This Week And "Buy Now While Its Cold And Grey... Pay Nothing Till It's Warm And Sunny!!" **Sale Ends March 13th**

- We Will Pay Your 6% Sales Tax, or
- Qualify For Our 6 Months Deferred Financing or
- Pay Cash and Receive an Extra 8% Discount



CLASSIC INTERIORS FURNITURE

VISIT OUR IN-STORE CLEARANCE CENTER

20292 Middlebelt, Livonia • South of 8 Mile **(248) 474-6900**

Mon., Thurs., Fri. 9:30-9:00; Tues., Wed., Sat. 9:30-5:30; Open Sunday 1-5

* All discounts are off manufacturer's retail prices. * All prior sales excluded. * Offer not valid in conjunction with any other promotional discount. * Because of Thomasville's minimum pricing we cannot offer 8% for cash on Thomasville case goods.

0200184776

Your Invitation To Worship

Mail Copy To:
Observer & Eccentric Newspapers
36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia MI 48150
Or Fax: (734) 953-2232

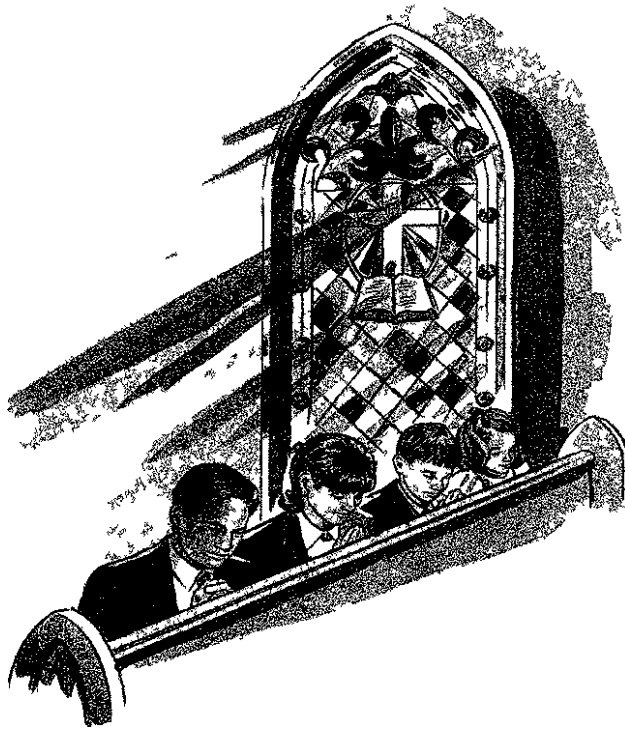
For Church Page Changes And Information Regarding Advertising In
This Directory, Please Call: Jean Etherington (734) 953-2160
THE FRIDAY BEFORE PUBLICATION

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

You Are Welcome At
Tri-City Christian Center
3855 Sheldon Rd Canton (Just N of Michigan Ave)
734 397 1777 • www.TriCityChristian.org

Come Join Us

Worship Service & Children's Ministries	Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am
Youth Service	Tuesday 7pm
Family Night	Wednesday 7:00pm



LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church
Rev. Luther A. Werth Senior Pastor
Rev. Robert Bayer Assistant Pastor

With Jesus Christ love really can be all it was meant to be!

Sunday Worship
8:30 am & 11:00 am
Sunday School at 9:45 am

Early Childhood Center
Register now for Fall child care and preschool (734) 513-8413

Location
14175 Farmington Road
(Just north of I-96)

734-522-6830 www.christsaviors.org

MAKE TIME FOR *God*

BAPTIST

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH
33640 Michigan Ave • Wayne MI
(Between Wayne Rd & Merriman Rd)
(734) 728-2180
Virgil Humes, Pastor

Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Children's Youth and Adult Bible Study 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Canton Christian Fellowship
"Where the Word is Relevant, People are Loved and Christ is the Key"

Join us for Worship Service at 10:30am
Sunday School and/or New Members Orientation 9:00am
Located at 6500 N Wayne Rd • Westland MI
Between Ford Road and Warren Road
Inside Good Shepherd Church
734 721 9322

It's not about Religion. It's about Relationships.
Come to a place where lives are changed, families are made whole and ministry is real.

UNITED METHODIST

"More than Sunday Services"

9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

- Dynamic Youth and Children's Programs
- Excellent Music Ministries
- Small Groups For Every Age
- Outreach Opportunities

Pastors
Dr. Dean Klump Rev. Deborah Thomas

First United Methodist Church of Plymouth
45201 North Territorial Road
(West of Sheldon Road)
(734) 453-5280
www.pfumc.org

Clarencville United Methodist
20300 Middlebelt Rd • Livonia 474-3444
Pastor James E. Britt
Worship Services 8:45 & 11:15 AM
Sunday Eve Bible Study 6:00 PM
Nursery Provided
Sunday School 10 AM

ST. MATTHEW'S UNITED METHODIST
30900 S X M Rd (Bet. Meridian & Middlebelt)
Rev. Mary Margarete Eckhardt, Pastor
10:00 AM Worship & Church School
www.gbgm.org/stmatthews
Nursery Provided • 734-422-8038

Catch the Spirit of
Methodist Church
10000 Beech Daly Redford
Between Plymouth and W. Chicago
Bob & Diana Goudie Co Pastors
313 937 3170

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m.
Small and Cozy Worship
9:30 a.m. Worship Geared Toward Families With Children
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
Handicap Accessible

Introduction: What is our purpose in life?

NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Stephen Ministry Congregation
36500 Ann Arbor Trail
between Wayne & Newburgh Rds
734-422-0149

Worship Service and Sunday School
9:15 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Rev. Terry W. Allen
Rev. Barbara E. Welbaum
www.newburgumc.org

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH MISSOURI SYNOD
25630 GRAND RIVER at BEECH DALY
313-832-2288 REDFORD TWP

Worship Service
9:15 & 11:00 AM
Sunday School
9:15 & 11:00 AM

Nursery Provided
The Rev. Timothy F. Halboth, Senior Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Victor F. Halboth, Assistant Pastor

HOSANNA-TABOR LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL
9800 Levee • So. Redford • 313 937 2424
Rev. Steve Eggers

Sunday Morning Worship
10:00 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m.

Church at School
Pre Kindergarten 8th Grade
For more information call
313 937 2233

Risen Christ Lutheran
48260 Ann Arbor Road • Plymouth
(1 Mile West of Sheldon) • 453 5252

Sunday Worship Service 8:15 a.m.
LENENT WORSHIP SERVICE
Wednesday March 3rd 7:00 p.m.
Dinner provided 5:30 p.m.
All are Welcome! Come as you are!
Pastor David Martin

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN Church & School
1 BK N of Ford Rd Westland 425-0260

Divine Worship 8 & 11:00 A.M.
Bible Class & SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.
Monday Evening Service 7:00 P.M.

Kurt E. Lambert Pastor
Richard Schumacher, Principal/Youth Director

SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH
32430 Ann Arbor Trail • Westland MI
734 422-5550

Sunday Bible Study 9am
Sunday Worship Service 10am
Wednesday Evening Lenten Services 7pm

Rev. David W. Zauschner, Pastor

Grace Lutheran Church
Rev. Kirk D. Miller
46001 Warren Road just west of Canton Center
Sunday Worship at 9:30 am
Sunday School at 10:45 am
734-414-7422

Our mission is to make disciples who share Christ with all people.



CATHOLIC

ST ANNE'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Traditional Latin Mass
St Anne's Academy Grades K-8
23310 Joy Road • Redford Michigan
5 Blocks E of Telegraph • (313) 534 2121

Mass Schedule

First	Fri	7:00 p.m.
First	Sat	9:30 a.m.
Sun	Masses	7:30 & 9:30 a.m.

Confessions Heard Prior to Each Mass
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions
Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M.

CHURCH OF GOD

Nyverside Park Church of God
11771 Newburgh Road
Livonia
Go to Plymouth and Newburgh
734 464 0990

Service Schedules:

Sunday School	9:30am
Sunday Worship	10:45am
Sunday Evening	6:30pm

The Purpose Driven Life • Wednesdays at 7:00pm
Childcare Provided

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
48755 Warren Rd Canton Michigan 48187
451-0444
REV RICHARD A. PERFETTO

Weekday Masses
Tuesday & Friday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday - 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE

PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
45801 W Ann Arbor Road • (734) 458 1525
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Sunday Worship 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M.
Family Night Wed 7:00 P.M.
NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN 455-3196

PRESBYTERIAN (U.S.A.)

ST. TIMOTHY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, USA
16700 Newburgh Road Livonia • (734) 464-8844
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
<http://www.StTimothyPCUSA.org>
Rev. Janet Noble Richardson Pastor

GENEVA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.)
5835 Sheldon Rd, Canton
(734) 459-0013

Sunday Worship & Sunday School
9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
July & August 10:00 a.m.
Education For All Ages

Childcare Provided • Handicapped Accessible
Resources for Hearing and Sight Impaired
www.genevachurch.org

LUTHERAN CHURCH WISCONSIN SYNOD

ST PAUL'S EV LUTHERAN Church & School
17810 Farmington Road • Livonia • (734) 261 1360
May thru October • Monday Night Service • 7:00 p.m.

Services
8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Pastor James Hoff
Pastor Eric Steinbrenner

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA

Timothy Lutheran Church
8820 Wayne Rd
(Between Ann Arbor Trail & Joy Road)
Livonia • 427-2290
Sandra Daily, Pastor

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
10:00 a.m. Family Worship (Nursery Avail.)
<http://www.timothylivonia.com>

ST GENEVIEVE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL
29015 Jamison Ave • Livonia
East of Middlebelt between 5 M & Schoolcraft Rds
MASS Mon Wed Thurs Fr 9:00 a.m.
Tues 7:00 p.m. • Sat 5:00 p.m.
Sun 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon
Confessions Sat 3:00-4:00 p.m.
734-427-5220

CHURCHES OF THE NAZARENE

PLYMOUTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
45801 W Ann Arbor Road • (734) 458 1525
Sunday School 9:45 A.M.
Sunday Worship 11:00 A.M.
Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M.
Family Night Wed 7:00 P.M.
NEW HORIZONS FOR CHILDREN 455-3196

Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church (USA)
9601 Hubbard at W Chicago Livonia MI
(between Merriman & Farmington Rds)
(734) 422-0494

Contemporary Service
9:00 am
Traditional Service
10:30 am

Nursery Care Provided
We Welcome You To A Full Program Church
Rev. Richard Peters Pastor
Rev. Kellie Bohman Assoc. Pastor

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Main & Church • (734) 453 6464

PLYMOUTH WORSHIP SERVICES
8:30, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

D. James Skimins Rev. Richard Jones
Senior Minister Associate Minister
Accessible to All Rev. Mary Jean Brd
Associate Minister

EPISCOPAL

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
16360 Hubbard Road
Livonia, Michigan 48154
421-8451

Wednesday 9:30 A.M.
Wed (Sept. May) 8:00 P.M.
Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 7:45 & 10:00 A.M.
Sun (Sept. May) 10:00 A.M.

Holy Eucharist
Dinner & Cakes
Holy Eucharist
Holy Eucharist
Sunday School
Sunday Morning Nursery Care Available
www.standrewschurch.net

The Rev. C. Allen Kannappell Rector

Say A Prayer Today

EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN

WARD Evangelical Presbyterian Church

40000 Six Mile Road
"Just west of I-275"
Northville, MI
248-374-7400

Dr. James N. McGuire, Pastor

Traditional Worship and Sunday School
7:55, 10:15, 11:30 A.M.
Contemporary Worship
9:05 A.M.

Nursery Provided During All Morning Worship Services
Evening Service • 7:00 P.M.
Services Broadcast 11:00 A.M. Sunday
WMUZ 560 AM

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

First Church of Christ Scientist Plymouth
1100 W Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI
734-453-0970
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Evening Testimony Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Reading Room 590 South Main
Monday-Saturday 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
734-453-1676

CONGREGATIONAL

Mt. Hope Congregational Church
30330 Schoolcraft Livonia • 734 425 7280
(Between Middlebelt & Merriman)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Nursery Care Available
"The Church You've Always Longed For"

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NATIVITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
9435 Henry Ruff at West Chicago
Livonia 48150 • 421 5406
Rev. Larry Hoxey Pastor

10:30 a.m. Worship Service
and Youth Classes
Nursery Care Available
WELCOME

BELL CREEK COMMUNITY CHURCH

Casual, Contemporary,
Excellent Children's Program

Meets at Franklin H.S. in Livonia on Joy Road
(Between Merriman and Middlebelt Roads)
at 10:00 a.m.
734 425 1174
Join us for coffee, bagels and donuts after the service!

EVANGELICAL COVENANT

FAITH COVENANT CHURCH
14 Mile Road and Drake Farmington Hills
(248) 661-9191

Sunday Worship and Children's Church
9:15 a.m. Contemporary
11:00 a.m. Traditional

Child Care provided for all services
Youth Groups • Adult Small Groups

It's Easy To Criticize... Offering constructive criticism to others can be beneficial, but only if the other person is receptive to our comments. In teaching situations or during on the job training, constructive criticism is usually necessary to instruct and help a person develop a trade or vocation. However, correcting someone, even in a kind or skillful manner, can be very challenging, since we are never sure how the individual may react. Many friendships and families have been destroyed because someone has been overly critical of another person's words or actions. Knowing when we should offer our comments can also be difficult, and we should be fairly certain that our comments are truthful and necessary. It often seems so easy to criticize others because we mistakenly believe that we are without fault or are such experts on most everything. The Bible tells us that we look at the speck in our brother's eye, but we pay no attention to the log in our own (Luke 6:41). Faultfinding and being overly critical of others, especially behind their backs, are wrong and can become habit-forming. However, kind words are good for the soul and help to build a person up.

The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice. R S V Proverbs 12:15

Master composter

The Master Composter Program sponsored by the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority in cooperation with Rouge River municipalities will begin 7:45 p.m. Thursday Feb. 26 at the Birmingham Department of Public Services Building, 851 S. Eton in Birmingham.

The Master Composter Program includes six classroom sessions, special events and required volunteer service. The \$30 class fee includes all materials and a Michigan State University soil sample. For a flyer with the complete list of classes or to register, call Karen Bever at SOCWA (248) 288-5150 or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

Meadow Brook Hall

The Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will meet 10 a.m. Friday Feb. 27 in the Coach House adjacent to Meadow Brook Hall on the Oakland University campus in Rochester. Dale White of Uncle Luke's Feed Store in Troy will speak on "The What, Why, Where of Organic Gardening." Non-member donation \$5. Reservations aren't required.

Iris club

The Iris Club of Southeast Michigan will have a general meeting 7:30 p.m. Thursday Feb. 26 at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Marais (three blocks east of Crooks and three blocks north of 13 Mile), phone (248) 246-3900. Admission is free. The public may attend. For information, call Ann at (248) 280-0848 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. The program "Extending Your Iris Season" will be presented by Dorothy and Anthony Willott of Beachwood, Ohio, directors of the Dwarf Iris Society. The Willotts, members of a number of iris societies, are award-winning hybridizers who have introduced more than 300 iris varieties during the past 35 years.

Detroit Rose Society

The Detroit Rose Society will have a general meeting 7:30 p.m. Friday Feb. 27 at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center on Ridge Road, one block south of I-696 and one block west of

Woodward Avenue. Guests are welcome. Nancy Lindley of Great Lakes Roses in Belleville will speak. She will bring products and copies of her book "Roses for Michigan" for sale.

Farmington Garden Club

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday, March 1, at Longacre House on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. The topic will be "Living Wreaths." Judy Corneller, an advanced master gardener and member of the Herb Society of America for 23 years, will demonstrate how to make a wreath of wire, moss and soil planted with succulents, herbs or flowers. Guests are welcome.

Livonia Garden Club

The Livonia Garden Club's March meeting will feature John Wendland, known as the "Geranium Cowboy." He will talk about the history, culture and varieties of geraniums as well as their care and many uses. The meeting will start at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, at the Livonia Senior Center, Five Mile and Farmington roads. Visitors are welcome.

Beverly Hills Garden Club

The Beverly Hills Garden Club will have a membership meeting 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 2, at the Beverly Hills Village Office, 18500 W. 13 Mile. A slide presentation "The Beauty of Japanese Gardens" by Dianne Hilborn will take place 1 p.m. Guests welcome.

Herb study group

The Evening Herb Study Group will meet 7 p.m. Monday, March 1, in Room 125 (at the far end from the auditorium) at the Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor. Peter Stark from Renaissance Acres will discuss seed/seedling propagation and garden planning and design. The program is free. Visitors and new members are welcome. For more information, contact Joan Wysocki at jwysocki@aol.com or (248) 349-5310; contact Lesley Chace at ledsbeaken@aol.com or (734) 730-2122; or call the Gardens at (734) 998-7061.

Think Spring

Right now we are really ready for

spring to arrive, but we all know how stubborn winter can be. A floral design workshop at The Community House in Birmingham titled "Creating a Country Garden Basket Bouquet" will focus on learning the mechanics of designing and creating a beautiful, full-size arrangement of artificial spring flowers. The bouquet will be suitable for a dining room or coffee table. Many of the techniques taught in the class can also be applied to fresh flower arranging. The workshop will be held 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, at The Community House in Birmingham and will be taught by Jacqueline Carney, who has been a Birmingham florist and instructor for over 30 years. Students are asked to bring wire cutters, scissors and pruners. Everything else will be provided. The instruction fee is \$17. Materials will cost \$35 and are payable the night of the class. To register or for information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832.

Ken Druse

Ken Druse, author of "A Passion for Gardening," will be the next speaker in Goldner Walsh Nursery's Cabin Fever Lecture Series 7 p.m. Friday, March 5, at Goldner Walsh, 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac. Cost is \$30 per person. Seating is limited and reservations are required. For information or reservations, call (248) 332-6430.

The lecture series is designed to bring in nationally known garden celebrities who entertain with a gardening lecture, a slide presentation with a question-and-answer session and a book signing.

Oakland Land Conservancy

The Oakland Land Conservancy will have its annual meeting 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 8, at the Oakland Township Hall, 4393 Collins Road, just north of Orion Road in Oakland Township.

Garret Johnson, director of government relations, The Nature Conservancy Michigan Chapter, will speak on "Restoring Michigan's Leadership in Land Protection." Admission is free. The public may attend. RSVPs are suggested but walk-ins are welcome. For information,

or to RSVP, call Oakland Land Conservancy at (248) 601-2816 or e-mail executive director Donna Folland at folland@wvnet.net. The schedule is 6:30 p.m. light supper, board elections, Conservation Priorities for 2004 report, awards and recognition, 7:30-8:15 p.m. featured speaker, 8:15 p.m. raffle for Detroit Pistons basketball and other prizes.

Troy Garden Club

The Troy Garden Club will meet noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, at Big Beaver United Methodist Church, 3753 John R in Troy. The church is just south of Wattle on the west side of the street. Janet Macunovich, professional perennial gardener and author, will speak on "Myths and Realities of Perennial Gardening." She will give gardeners information that will help them avoid committing to perennials that won't work in Michigan and advise us on ways to make the most of the winners that do well in our climate. Refreshments will be served at noon. Guest donation \$3. Visitors are welcome. For reservations and more information, call Rita at (248) 540-4249.

Herb conference

Michigan Herb Associates will have their 17th annual conference Wednesday, Thursday, March 10-11, at Wells Hall at Michigan State University in East Lansing. The public may attend. Pre-registration rates are \$65 for both days and \$35 for one day for MHA members. \$85 for both days and \$55 for one day for non-members. Walk-ins add \$10 to the rates. Luncheon and banquet tickets must be reserved by Saturday, Feb. 28. Lunches are \$10 each day; the banquet is \$30. (You can register in person at the conference but won't be able to obtain luncheon and banquet tickets; you can bring your own lunch or go out to eat.) Registration and membership forms can be downloaded from MHA's Web site: www.hrt.msu.edu/herb/. For information about the program, call (248) 685-2204 (517) 349-1709 (231) 386-9242 (517) 849-2470 or (616) 363-1795.

The theme of the conference is "Herbs Are Hot." Garlic is the Herb of the Year for 2004. The conference will feature programs on herb culture, crafting and cooking and spa herbs. Meetings, educational displays and book and

craft sales will be included.

Landscaping

English Gardens will present a free seminar "Do it Yourself Landscaping 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28," at each of its five metro Detroit stores. The program is designed for the do-it-yourself landscaper, whether you're creating a new landscape or improving an existing one. Basic styles of design will be introduced and information to help you define your landscape goals and determine your style will be presented. For more information, call the stores in West Bloomfield (248) 851-7506, Royal Oak (248) 280-9500, Dearborn Heights (313) 278-4433, Clinton Township (586) 286-6100 or Eastpointe (586) 771-4200. For the nearest English Gardens location, call (800) 335-GROW or visit the Web site at www.englishgardens.com.

If you have an item for the calendar, please submit it at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@homecomm.net.

Trees, flowers discussed at March seminars at English Gardens

English Gardens will present free gardening seminars in March at its five Metro Detroit locations. Seminars are held Saturday at 1 p.m. at each store. Topics include: "Selecting Trees & Shrubs, March 6," discover trees and shrubs for your home landscape. Learn how to select the appropriate types of plants for your area, and provide tips on proper planting and care. "Arranging Fresh Flowers, March 13," Floral designers will show you how to arrange fresh flowers. This seminar demon-

strates design basics as well as an overview of seasonal products available to decorate your home. "Perennial Gardening, March 20," Create a colorful, beautiful garden using perennials. Learn how to select plants for your area, combine colors, and provide proper care throughout the growing season. "Container Gardening, March 27," Container gardening is an easy way to enjoy plants and flowers on your deck, patio or wherever you need a spot of color. Experts from English

Gardens will give you information on planning, planting and maintaining plants in outdoor containers. For more information about the seminars, contact the Clinton Township store at (586) 286-6100, Dearborn Heights at (313) 278-4433, Eastpointe at (586) 771-4200, Royal Oak at (248) 280-9500, or West Bloomfield (248) 851-7506. Call 1-800-335-GROW (4769) for the nearest English Gardens location, or check the web site at www.englishgardens.com.



Passages

Obituaries, Memorials, Remembrances

1-800-579-7355 ♦ fax 734-953-2232
e-mail: OEObits@oe.homecomm.net

ABLES

Charles Edward 'Bud', February 23, 2004, age 83 of Westland, Ont., true loving husband to Nulhe Mac Ables, devotedly married 59 years. Cherished father of Charles Jr. (Jeanette), Virgil E. and Larry D. Loving grandfather to Tracy Courtney, Scott Jason and Justin Caring, great grandfather to Catee Cara Caspary and the late Crysta (4/17/91-3/5/96). Adoring brother to Wilma Higgins, his only living sibling. Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Service Friday 10 a.m. at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland. Family will receive friends Thursday 12-9 p.m. Please visit and leave a tribute at www.uhfuneralhome.com. Bud was an inspiration to all who had the honor of knowing him. He will be missed by all, especially his devoted love, best friend, and wife, Nellie. We will love you forever. Bud, Dad, and Grandpa.



Bentley,

Mark age 44 of Olympia, WA (formerly of Troy) passed away with terminal cancer at his home with his wife at his side on February 1, 2004. He is survived by his wife Shelly and sons Brett (8) and Kai (4), parents Ron and Marlene Ann Bentley of Clarkson, MI, brother Bruce Bentley and wife Rosemary of Troy, MI, sister Suzanne Miller and husband Gary and children Chelsea and Grant of Troy, MI, and grandmother Ruth. Asplund of Florence, WI. He attended Athens HS and graduated with honors in 1977. Mark was captain of the football team, received the coveted Attitude and Intensity Award, and was in varsity basketball and track. At 16 he became the youngest ski instructor at Pine Knob. While attending the University of Michigan, Mark was an active member in Phi Delta Theta fraternity where he was Vice President. Mark also received 2nd place for athlete of the year which involved all fraternities. He graduated with honors in Natural Resources followed by a three-year Masters program with honors in Landscape Architecture Design from U of M. Mark was passionate about maintaining a balance in his life: work with ecology, physical and mental well-being, community and family. Mark and Shelly's love of the mountains took them to Olympia, WA, where Mark was employed by the state Department of Ecology as a wetlands expert. Mark was a renowned triathlete who competed in 18 Ironman competitions (nine were consecutive Hawaiian Ironman competitions). For the uninitiated, an Ironman is a 2.4 mile swim, 112 mile bike ride, and 26.2 mile marathon. His last competition was in 1998 where he finished 27th in the world in his age group and 127th overall. Despite all the awards and accolades, Mark stated, "I don't race to win. I race to experience. My goal has been to extend myself and push my boundaries." Mark's love of community was very broad with people from all walks of life. His highest priority in life was his deep commitment to his family. Most weekends could find them hiking, camping, canoeing, fly fishing, and snowskiing. Mark's positive outlook on life continued despite his terminal cancer. He never questioned, why me? Mark represented what all men aspire to be. His integrity, his disposition, the way he treated others, the love for his family, the way he valued the earth and all its inhabitants, and what he delivered to humanity. He walked the talk, no he ran the talk, and lead by subtle example. A memorial service will be held Saturday, February 28, 2004, at Prince of Glory Lutheran Church, 1357 W. 14 Mile Rd., Madison Hgts., MI 48071. Visitation 10 AM, memorial service 11 AM, followed by a luncheon. *Please do not send flowers. A fund will be set up for the Bentley Boys' future development and education. Donations can be sent to Ron and Marlene Bentley at 7907 Deerhill Dr., Clarkston, MI 48346.

BURGESS

Richard, Age 62, died February 23, 2004. Beloved husband of Barbara, loving father of Paige (Steve) Futrell, Nicole (Ramzi) Radwan and Brad (Tara) Burgess, dear grandfather of Kelsey Andrew Nicholas and Grace Futrell Chase and Owen Burgess, brother of Herb and Jerry. Visitation Thursday 5-9 p.m. and Friday 1-4 and 6-9 p.m. at the Henry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 Six Mile, Livonia. Memorial Service will be held Saturday 11 a.m. at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. Donations may be made to the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Music Fund or Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

DARIN

Elizabeth Joan, Age 71, a resident of Birmingham, MI, and recently Bonita Springs, Florida, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2004, at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, MI. She was born in Detroit, 1932 to the late John and Betty Stabnick. She attended Central High School in Birmingham, MI. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Bill Jr. (Laurie), Mark (Kathy) Jeff and daughters Lynn Stachl (Jeff) Melissa Everard Welsh (Nick) and grandmother to ten grandchildren. She was a loving sister to Pat Grenier (Skip), Joyce (Darison) (the late Jack), John Stabnick (Carolyn) and Michael Stabnick (Vicky). Visitation and a celebratory mass of Remembrance will be held Wednesday, February 25, at the Academy of Sacred Heart, 1250 Kensington Road, Bloomfield Hills. Visitation will begin at 4:00 p.m. with Mass at 6:00 p.m. and a dinner reception to follow. Memorial Donations may be directed to DeVos Children's Hospital Pediatric Oncology Program, 100 Michigan Ave. N.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49503. Mail Code 85 or Gilda's Club of Metro Detroit, 3517 Rochester Rd., Royal Oak, MI 48073.

KLOTZ

David R. Feb. 22, 2004, Age 78. Beloved husband of Ruth for 55 yrs. Dear Father of David James (Laura), Klotz Dianne Louise Klotz (fiancee Myron Poe) and Suzanne Marie Klotz (Mark Miller). Cousin of Betty Louise Mack. Funeral services were held Wednesday at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Livonia. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements by THAYER ROCK FUNERAL HOME.

MARA

Shirley 'Big Shirl', Age 78, Wife of the late Thomas A. beloved mother of Shirley Hescilme and Thomas R. Mara, loving grandmother of Leigh Adam & Kristin, sister of the late Marian Nemiec, dear Aunt of James Anthony Nancy and Anne. Visiting Thursday 3-9 p.m. at the Charles R. Steep Funeral Home, 18425 Beach Daily between 6-7 Mile. In State Friday 11 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Agatha Church (Beach Daily, N. of Grand River). Donations to Karmanos Cancer Institute are appreciated.

MILLER

DOUGLAS V., 81, most recently of Bellerose, MI and Marco Island, FL, died February 23. Mr. Miller lived in Bloomfield Hills, MI before moving to Marco Island earlier this year. He is survived by his loving wife, Bonnie, three children and six grandchildren. Those wishing to make an expression of sympathy are asked to send a donation to the American Heart Association.

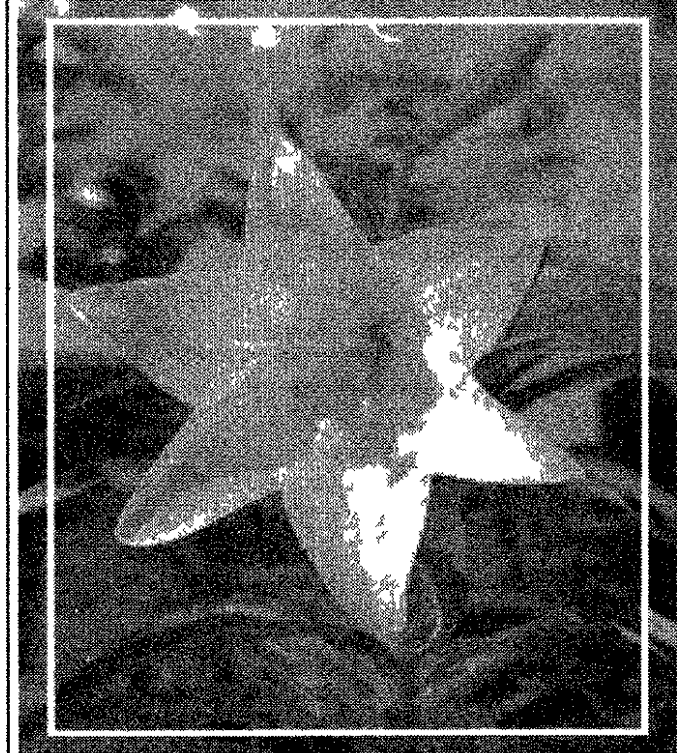
MONIGOMERY

Pauline M. February 22, 2004, of Beverly Hills, wife of the late William M.D. Funeral Mass Thursday 10 a.m. at St. Ives Church, Southfield. obit@desmondfuneralhome.com

O'SULLIVAN

Dr. Girardin S. Gerry, May 28, 1920 - Feb. 20, 2004. Born and raised in Flint, MI. Dr. O'Sullivan graduated cum laude from the University of Michigan in 1941 with a BA in Chemistry and with distinction from the University of Michigan Medical School in 1944. He served as a Captain in the United States Army Medical Corps from 1945-1947 and completed his residency in psychiatry at the Menninger Clinic in Topeka, Kansas where he was a staff psychiatrist from 1949-1951. In 1951, he established a private practice in psychiatry lasting nearly 40 years, first in Detroit, MI and later in Birmingham, MI. He retired in 1991. He also served as an instructor at Wayne State University College of Medicine in Detroit, MI and later at Michigan State University, Lansing, MI and did volunteer work for the Oakland County Michigan Social Services Board. He married Sally J. Trombley Sept. 6, 1947. Dr. O'Sullivan is survived by his wife and four children: Catherine O'Sullivan of Morgantown, PA, Craig, O'Sullivan of Union City, CA, Michael O'Sullivan of Summit, NJ and Patricia O'Sullivan-Menard of Monticello, FL and four grandchildren. Dr. O'Sullivan led a full and active life surrounded by family and friends. His illness was short, and his death was quiet and peaceful. He was quick with a joke and a ready smile and will be deeply missed by all. Memorials to Menninger Foundations, P.O. Box 809045, Houston, TX 77280.

May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends



Flower Directory

These area florists are standing by waiting to assist you with your floral arrangement needs.

Flower King of Livonia
34899 Plymouth Road
Livonia, MI 48150
800.657.6749 • 734.513.8000
www.flowerkingoflivonia.com

FARMINGTON CENTER FLORIST
23340 Farmington Road
Farmington, MI 48336
888-814-4726 • 248-474-4726
24 Hour Phone Service
Store Hours 8-6 M-F 8-4 Sat

Wesley Berry Flowers
1-800-WESLEYS
6677 Orchard Lake Road
www.800wesleys.com

Information on how you can list your business here please call: 1-800-579-7355

Sell your car here and you'll save a bundle!

The Observer & Eccentric Classified Advertising is one of the most reliable sources for connecting buyers with sellers. If you have a car that you'd like to sell, run your auto liner ad for 3 issues and if you don't sell it, we'll run it for **3 ISSUES FREE!**

Call today for details:
1-800-579-SELL (7355)
OR
1-866-818-SOLD (7653)

*Must buy 3 issues to get this special!

Find your favorite recipes each Thursday in Taste

Buy new tiles for bathroom project

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Q: Anthony asks: I plan to remodel our bathroom and I want to remove the tub and replace it with a shower and a linen closet. The tile extends from tub to ceiling. If I could reuse the existing tile there would be more than enough to do the job. Can the tile be removed without cracking it? It is applied with an adhesive on plaster board.

A: We hate to be the bearers of bad news, but this is one situation when you can't make use of existing materials.

It wouldn't be realistic to expect to remove most of the tile without damaging it. As patient and careful as you may be, it is virtually impossible to separate the tile from the substrate.

Even if you are able to remove a tile intact, chances are that the back surface won't be acceptable for future reinstallation because of the mastic adhesive that remains. Attempts to clean the rear surface of previously installed tile rarely are successful. Part of what makes a tile job a success is working with clean, dry, smooth surfaces.

We are as cost-conscious as the next guy, but believe this would be an appropriate time to buy new tiles. The total cost of the tile for the area should be only about \$150 to \$200 - perhaps not such bad news after all.

Antiques exposition

The Southfield Pavilion Antiques Exposition will take place Friday-Sunday Feb. 27-29 at the Southfield Municipal Complex, 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10 1/2 Mile). Hours are 2-9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$6 regular, \$5 with any ads or listings of the event, free for age 12 or under. One paid admission is good for all three days of the show. Now in its 24th season, the exposition features a diverse selection of fine American, European, Oriental and African antiques and fine art. Merchants from across the country, noted authors and nationally known experts will exhibit and sell their antiques collections. Dining and free parking will be available. For online show previews visit www.antiqnet.com/M&M.

Storytellers

The Storytellers will visit with guests 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 29 at Art Van Furniture, 22555 Greenfield in Southfield, to share stories about African American heritage and the celebration of Black History Month. They will also demonstrate ethnic musical instruments. This enthusiastic duo performs lively presentations and encourages the participation of the children attending.

Scrapbooking

Westland Adult Community Education is offering a two-week scrapbooking

class suitable for beginners and enthusiasts, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays, March 1-8. Participants will learn page-making and page enhancements using the instructor's cutting systems and tools. Register with a friend and have fun! The \$25 fee includes supplies and a photo organizer. Call (734) 419-2426 for registration and other class information, or (734) 326-6111 for scrapbooking information.

Home decor

Birmingham Community Education presents a variety of home decor classes. Call (248) 203-3800 for information.

The schedule includes Handpainted Furniture, four weeks beginning Thursday, Feb. 26 (fee is \$99). One-day Workshop for Furniture Painting, Saturday, Feb. 28 (\$99), and Venetian Plaster and Stucco, Tuesday, March 9 (\$25).

In Handpainted Glassware, learn techniques that will help you add that special touch to your decor. All supplies will be provided, including the glassware.

In the one-day workshop, you will complete a project from prepping to decorative painting. Bring your own piece of furniture, wooden tray, plant stand - if you can transport it, it's perfect. All art materials and lunch are included in the fee.

In Venetian Plaster and Stucco, learn a plaster finishing system that can

HOME CALENDAR

develop a highly polished marble-like appearance.

Floral design

The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, offers classes related to the home. To register or for more information, call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com. The schedule includes A Country Garden Style Basket Bouquet.

Tuesday, March 2. Fee is \$17. Materials cost of \$35 payable to the instructor includes a basket, floral foam, greens, artificial flowers and branches. Bring a sharp scissors, a wire cutter and pruners. In the class, local professional florist Jacqueline Carney will show you how to design and create a beautiful full-size arrangement of artificial spring flowers and branches suitable for a coffee or dinner table. Techniques

taught in the class can be applied to many other styles of both fresh and artificial floral design.

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



We're thinking fresh.

HAYSTACK CONTEST!

Farmer Jack and the Observer & Eccentric have teamed up to bring you great prizes and great fun when you play our Hidden Words in the Haystack Contest!

Just find the words in the word haystack that are listed beneath the puzzle and circle them. They may be found from right, left, diagonally, up or down.

All of the words must be found in order for your entry to be considered valid. Clip the completed game including the entry blank and mail it to us at:

Farmer Jack/O&E Haystack Contest
36251 Schoolcraft Road
Livonia, MI 48150

Week 1 entries must be received by March 30th for the Week 1 drawing for:

- One (1) First Prize of \$50
- Three (3) Runner Up Prizes of \$25
- All entries will be in contention for the grand prize of a \$500 SHOPPING SPREE AT FARMER JACK!!!

There are 4 more weeks to enter. You must enter each week to qualify for the weekly prizes. No purchase necessary. For contest rules, please visit our website at www.hometownlife.com.

THE
Observer & Eccentric
NEWSPAPERS
WHERE HOMETOWN STORIES UNFOLD

Farmer Jack
Observer
Eccentric
News
Birmingham
Oakland
Wayne
Grocery
Produce
Subscribe
Editor
Customers
Milk

W K M T O Q F A R L N O M E
O J L A B C C E T R A H A M
W E I O S N M I L K N E W P
S A L L E M O N L T A L M H
R A Y O R Y A A V P B R A S
E G G N V A N C D R F P H W
M R X M E D J O K O M I G E
O O F A R M E R W D A B N N
T C S U B S C R I U K A I G
S E T C I R T N E C C E M A
U R L K C A E D I E A D R A
C Y M I C H A E M L J A I R
D S U B S C R I B E S V B D
A S T B R O T I D E E L O C

Here's my entry form for the FARMER JACK/O&E Haystack Contest.

Name _____ Phone: _____
Address _____ City _____ Zip _____
How do you get your O&E? _____ Would you like to subscribe? Y N
 Home Delivery Vending Machine Store Share with a friend/neighbor Mail subscription Sample

STOREWIDE SALE!

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, February 26, 27, 28



EVERYTHING in our store is on sale!

Yes, our entire inventory of new and gently used baby clothes, children's clothes, maternity clothes, and equipment...ALL ON SALE! Hurry in for the best selection!

Children's Resale Boutique

30993 Five Mile Road • Livonia • (734) 458-5313
On 5 Mile just E of Merriman next to Blockbuster Video

Michigan's Finest Dolls, Bears & Accessories

☆☆☆
10-50% OFF
100's of Select Items

Ends 2/28/04

Doll Clothes Furniture Buggies
Play Dolls & Bunt Name Collector Dolls

The Doll Hospital & Toy Soldier Shop
3547 W. 12 Mile • Bantony • 248-942-3113
Mon-Wed, Fri & Sat 10-5:30 • Thurs 10-2-30

WOMEN & SLEEP

Healthy, medication free women 45-50 years of age are needed for a 4 night sleep study in the laboratory.

Participants will be paid.

For more information call
Elaine R. Douglas Research Assistant

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

(313) 577-6588

Behavioral Medicine Laboratory
C.S. Mott Center
275 E Hancock • Detroit • Mon - Fri. 9 am - 3 pm
ac1728@wayne.edu

Low-Rate Home Equity Line of Credit

When you need more room, sometimes the best move is not moving at all.

Expand or renovate with some of the lowest Home Equity rates available

Running out of room in your home? It doesn't mean you have to move. With Standard Federal's low-interest Home Equity Line of Credit, you can keep the home you love and still get the space you need. It gives you a financially smart way to expand a kitchen, add a family room, or renovate a bath. You can also use it for new appliances, furniture, or debt consolidation.

So discover all that's possible with our Home Equity Line of Credit. Stop by any Standard Federal branch, visit standardfederalbank.com or call toll-free (877) 732-8240.

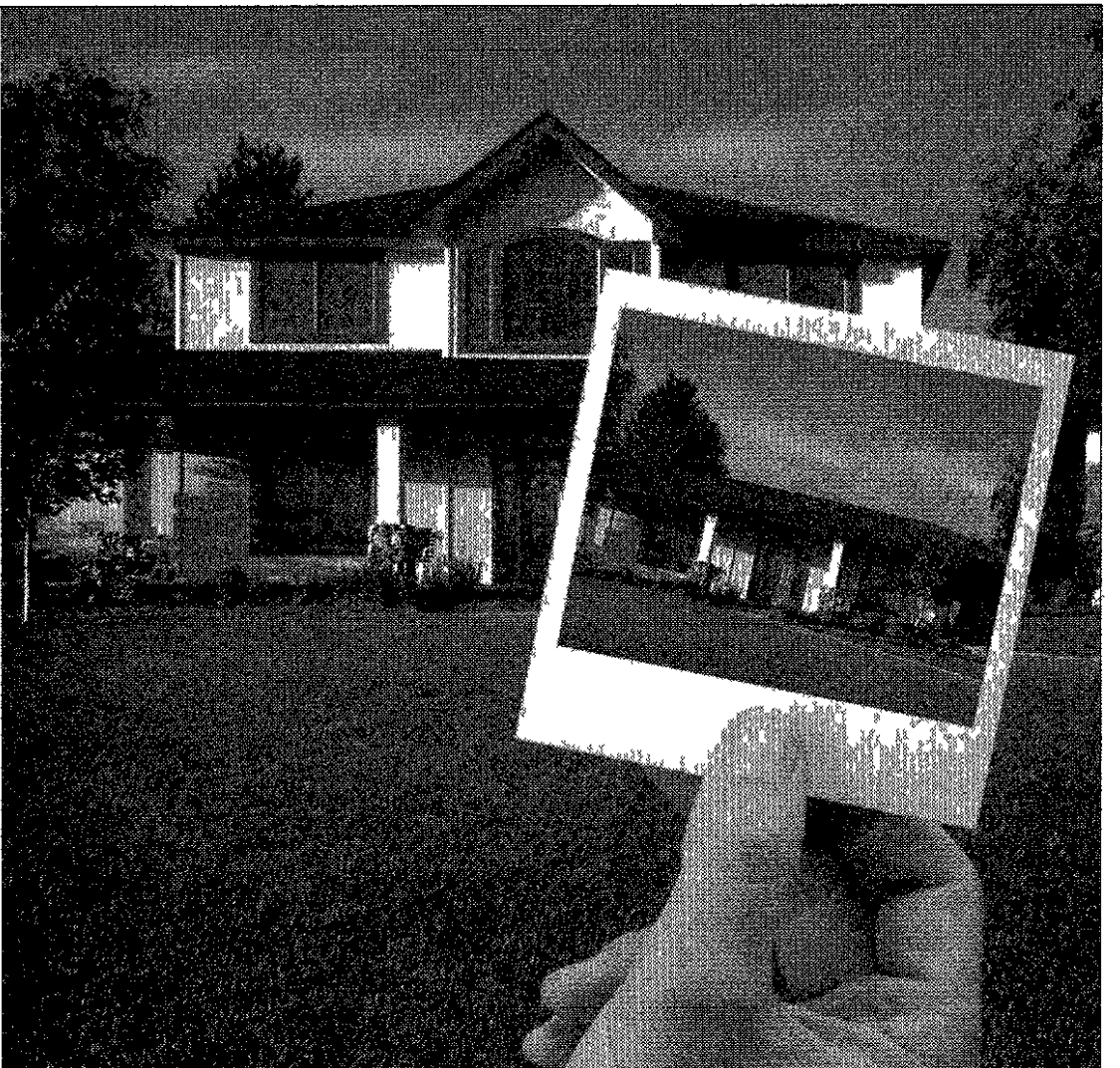
3.25% APR*
Credit Lines of \$250,000 to \$500,000

3.50% APR*
Credit Lines of \$100,000 to \$249,999

4.00% APR*
Credit Lines of \$25,000 to \$99,999

True Possibility Standard Federal Bank
ABN AMRO

Member FDIC
©2004 Standard Federal Bank NA



*The Annual Percentage Rates (APRs) on Standard Federal Bank's Home Equity Lines of Credit are tied to Prime. Prime is the highest Prime Rate as published in the Money Rates section of *The Wall Street Journal* on the last publishing day of the calendar month immediately preceding the billing cycle. The margin tied to Prime varies and depends on the approved credit line amount and product. On January 30, 2004, Prime was 4.00% and the APR on Standard Federal Bank's Home Equity Line of Credit products varied between 3.25% and 7.00%. Prime is a variable rate as it changes, the APR on your account will change. The maximum APR is 21%. A balloon payment will result at the end of the ten-year draw period. The Home Equity Lines are limited to owner-occupied, 1-4 family principal residences and are subject to no less than a second lien position on your property. You must carry insurance on the property that secures this loan. Flood insurance required if necessary. There is a \$50 annual fee after the first year unless you are a member of Credit Exclusives. Consult your tax advisor concerning the deductibility of interest. Closing costs paid by Standard Federal Bank are limited to appraisal, title insurance, flood certification, and recording fees. Any additional fees or conditions imposed by the city, state, or county that the subject property is located in will be the borrower's responsibility. The APRs are subject to change without notice.



Focus on Wine

Ray & Eleanor Heald

Being true to the land reaps rewards

When you think of Santa Barbara, Calif., do you think of a great grape growing region?

More than likely, sun, sand, ocean and vacation come to mind. If you are unfamiliar with Santa Barbara County, you may not realize that the Santa Ynez Valley, in northern SBC, is one of the few east-west valleys in California that benefits from a marine influence.

Most California valleys run north-south, among them Napa, Sonoma, San Joaquin, Salinas and Edna. The Santa Ynez Valley runs east-west and opens directly to the Pacific Ocean.

Chardonnay and pinot noir thrive nearest the ocean, where the climate is very cool. Further east in the valley and away from the ocean, the warmer climate is more hospitable to Bordeaux and Rhone grape varieties.

Highway 101, which runs north-south, roughly divides the Santa Ynez Valley into the west (cooler) and east (warmer) climates. Just east of Highway 101, in Ballard Canyon, Tom Beckmen established his vineyard in 1994.

SANTA YNEZ PIONEER

Beckmen grew up in a farming community near Chicago but became a pioneer in electronic music, founding Roland Corp., where he merged music and computer applications.

In California, Beckmen returned to the land and focused on innovative grape growing in the Santa Ynez Valley. He and winemaker son Steve ripped out the vines on the original 40-acre property and planted varieties more suited to the soil and climate of Ballard Canyon.

Convinced that they were in the right place and needing more grapes for their wine, Beckmen purchased an unplanted 365-acre ranch, uniquely suited to Rhone varieties. At an elevation of 1,250 feet, in a unique climate with rare limestone subsoil, Purisima Mountain, as it has become known, is a special vineyard.

Morning fog and cool ocean breezes ensure moderate temperatures that allow for longer ripening and concentrated wine flavor. The limestone subsoils, although rare in California, are typical in France's Rhone Valley appellations of Cote Rotie and Chateaufort-du-Pape. "Purisima Mountain Vineyard is a winemaker's dream," Steve Beckmen said. "I believe we were fortunate to be in the right place at the right time and we will continue to advance the name of SBC as a premier California wine region."

BECKMEN VINEYARDS

Beckmen Vineyards produces a full line of estate-grown Rhone varieties including syrah, grenache, grenache blanc, grenache rose, marsanne rousanne and Cuvee Le Bec, a blend of grenache, mourvedre, syrah and counoise in the style of the southern Rhone.

PLEASE SEE WINES, D3

Go fish

Favorite fillets hit the plate during Lent

With the arrival Wednesday of Lent, many Christians will look to consume fish or eat vegetarian meals instead of meat Fridays for the next 40 days through Holy Saturday, the day before Easter, as part of their religious observances.

Of course, it doesn't have to be Lent for diners to enjoy fish — it just figures more prominently in many diets at this time of year.

Many enjoy fish for its ease of preparation and how quickly it is cooked for a meal. It doesn't take nearly as long as chicken or a roast in the oven baking, or a stew or soup simmering over a stove for several hours.

Chef Kevin Enright, certified executive chef and instructor at Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute, enjoys fish and its plentiful varieties. It is also one of Enright's favorite foods to prepare.

"There are a lot of different varieties and a lot of different flavors," Enright said. "It is an easily done dish with a pineapple salsa or a mango salsa. You can make it a little bit tart or a little bit spicy in the background. You can make it Polynesian or Asian type with fruit or chutneys."

Swordfish is a "meaty" fish, along with halibut or salmon, which all can be grilled medium rare, Enright said. "Salmon is becoming the chicken breast of the fish world," he said.

When purchasing fish, always go with the fresh stuff, Enright said. Fish loses its moisture once it is frozen.

"You should look for moisture on the fresh fish," Enright said. "It should be a little shiny, glistening a



Sprinkled herbs top off the red snapper

little and it shouldn't have any smell."

Fish markets often have clear plastic gloves nearby, so you can ask the worker at the counter if you can wear the gloves to touch the fish and smell it to check for freshness.

Markets that experience a lot of consumer traffic usually experience a quick turnover, so the inventory there is probably fresh, Enright said.

Salmon's price has dropped substantially with the number of farm-raised salmon that are now on the market. "And people really like it," he said.

Some of Enright's favorites are pompano, tuna, Boston bluefish, Columbia River salmon, arctic char, red snapper and dover sole.

PREPARATION

How you prepare the fish depends on the variety you purchase. Here are cooking techniques and what fish you can use for each one according to Kevin Enright, certified executive chef and instructor at Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute.

- **Grill** — Tuna, swordfish, salmon, lake trout, arctic char and halibut.
- **Sauté** — Dover sole, rainbow trout, red snapper, striped bass, cod, scrod and perch.
- **Bake** — Cod, scrod, Chilean sea bass, Cape bluefish, striped bass, black bass, lake trout and whitefish.
- **Smoke** — King salmon, whitefish, lake trout, sable fish (black cod), halibut, haddock (finan haddock).
- **Poach** — Dover sole, flounder, salmon, arctic char, lake trout, sea bass, Cape bluefish.
- **Steam** (in papillote or parchment paper) — trout (trimmed), sole, red snapper, sea bass. (Enright recommends seasoning the fish, then topping with diced tomatoes, green onions and mushrooms and butter. Cooking times vary depending on thickness and type of fish. Paper will puff up when it is done.)



Kevin Enright, certified executive chef and instructor at Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute, spoons tomato vinaigrette onto the red snapper.

Readers write in with favorite fish recipes

We asked you and you responded.

Readers chimed in with their own favorite fish recipes. Chris Cloonan of Westland said cod vegetable stew is one of her favorites.

"I find that this combination of vegetables and fish are very flavorful," Cloonan wrote. "This recipe is very easy to assemble and has very much 'eye appeal and flavor'."

"I have used chicken and leftover turkey as a substitute for the fish. The results are very delicious."

Cloonan likes the mix of vegetables with the cod. "I like the flavor, the aroma and the ease that it is done," she said. If the vegetables are chopped beforehand, the meal should take about 30 minutes to prepare.

Barb Dermody of Northville once saw teriyaki salmon fillets prepared on television. "It has become a favorite of mine," Dermody said. "Once everything is in place, it only takes minutes to get to the oven."

"What a great taste, and even better yet, the leftovers — which I make sure I have — are delicious on a bed of greens the next day."

Do you have a favorite recipe to share with the readers of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*? Send it along to us, and if we use it, we'll send you a free cookbook. Send it to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail it to kabramczyk@oe homecomm net.

PLEASE SEE READER RECIPES, D4

RED SNAPPER WITH ROMA TOMATO VINAIGRETTE

4-8 to 10 ounce red snapper fillets

Marinade
1/2 tablespoons lime juice
1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper
1 teaspoon finely chopped cilantro
1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
2 tablespoons olive oil

Tomato Vinaigrette Sauce
1/2 cup clam juice
1 small onion minced
2 teaspoons minced garlic
3 tablespoons olive oil extra virgin
6 roma tomatoes
1/2 teaspoon thyme leaves
1/2 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
pinch cayenne pepper
1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
2 teaspoons chopped cilantro

Horseradish Crust
white bread 6 slices without crust
2 tablespoons prepared horseradish — drained and squeezed dry
3 tablespoons olive oil
1 tablespoon minced onions
1 teaspoon garlic paste
2 teaspoons chopped parsley
salt and black pepper — to taste

Mix the marinade ingredients together, and then coat the fish with the marinade for 2 hours.

To make the tomato vinaigrette, blanch the tomatoes in simmering water for 2-3 minutes, shock in ice water, remove the peels, cut into four wedges, remove the seeds, save the pulp, and chop fine.

Heat the clam juice, onion and garlic in a stainless steel pot and simmer for 4-5 minutes. Add the thyme and coriander and half the tomatoes, then simmer together for 10 minutes. Cool slightly. Place the mixture in a food processor or food mill and process until smooth. Put the mixture into a stainless bowl, add lemon juice and balsamic vinegar, drizzle in the olive oil, season to taste with salt and cayenne pepper, and then fold in the rest of the diced tomatoes. Reserve to serve over the fish.

To make the horseradish crust, remove the crusts from the bread and place the bread in a food processor until crumbly. Transfer to a bowl and add the rest of the ingredients for the horseradish crust, then mix well. Remove the snapper from the marinade and pat dry. Cut two or three diagonal slices in the skin and place on a baking sheet rubbed with two teaspoons of oil. Put the crumbs on top of the fish. Bake in a 400°F oven for 10-15 minutes. Remove and serve with the tomato vinaigrette, steamed green beans and a rice pilaf. Serves 4.

See more recipes from Chef Enright on page D2

CHEF ENRIGHT'S RECIPES

COPPER RIVER SALMON BOUILLABaisse WITH PARSLEY PESTO

6 pieces (5 ounces each) salmon fillets boned and skinned
 1 leek washed discard dark green leaves cut on bias
 1 carrot washed peeled and cut in 1 inch strips
 1/2 red pepper cut in 1 inch strips
 2 roma tomatoes peeled and chopped
 1 ear sweet corn kernels only
 1 cup clam juice
 1/2 cup white wine
 2 cloves garlic chopped fine
 1/4 cup olive oil
 1 bay leaf
 1/4 teaspoon white pepper salt to taste

Sweat (cook over low heat) the leeks, carrot and corn in the 1/4 cup of olive oil for 3-4 minutes

Add the chopped garlic, cook one minute on low heat

Add the white wine, clam juice, bay leaf and red peppers, bring to a simmer, then turn down to a poaching temperature (liquid is bubbling slowly)

Add the tomatoes and the salmon fillets, poach for 5-7 minutes or until fish is firm when touched

Swirl in the parsley pesto Season with salt and pepper, garnish with sprinkled chives and tarragon Serve in a soup bowl with broth and steamed rice or angel hair pasta

Parsley Pesto
 1/4 cup parsley leaves blanched and cooled
 3 cloves garlic
 2 tablespoons pine nuts
 1/2 cup Parmesan cheese grated
 1/2 cup olive oil

Pick the leaves from the parsley and blanch in boiling water for a few seconds, rinse under cold water immediately Press out any liquid Put the parsley, garlic, pine nuts, parmesan cheese and 1/2 cup olive oil in a food processor Purée until smooth, slowly add the remaining oil with the blade running Remove and store in refrigerator until needed This pesto may be made a day in advance

Garnish with 1 teaspoon each chives, sliced thin and tarragon, chopped fine
 Serves 6

SAFFRON RICE PILAF

2 cups rice Basmati
 1/4 teaspoon saffron

1 ounce onion finely diced
 3 cups chicken stock
 1 bay leaf
 salt and pepper to taste
 2 ounces margarine

Wash rice under cold water Sauté onions and saffron in 2 ounces margarine Add rice, saute 1 minute

Add boiling chicken stock, bay leaf and seasonings Bring to a boil, stir once, cover Cook in 350 °F oven 15-19 minutes

Remove from pan, stir in 2 ounces margarine

DEVILED CRAB CAKES WITH MUSTARD GLAZE

1 tablespoon onion minced
 2 tablespoons celery minced
 1 tablespoon red pepper minced
 1 teaspoon dry mustard
 6 tablespoons butter
 6 tablespoons flour
 1 cup milk
 16 ounces Maryland lump crab meat (king crab or dungeness also can be used)
 Old Bay seasoning to taste
 pinch cayenne pepper
 pinch salt and white pepper
 1 teaspoon lemon juice
 2 teaspoons chopped fresh pars

1/2 leek
 6 tablespoons butter for sauteing the crab cakes
 flour as needed to coat the crab cakes

Mustard Glaze
 1 egg yolk
 1 cup mayonnaise
 2 tablespoons parmesan cheese
 2 tablespoons cream
 1 teaspoon chopped parsley
 3 tablespoons Dijon mustard

Remove the bits of shells from the crab meat (king crab or dungeness crab also can be used)

Sauté the onions, celery and red peppers approximately 3 minutes on medium heat in 6 tablespoons butter

Add flour, dry mustard and cook over low heat 4-5 minutes (don't brown) Season with salt, pepper and Old Bay Add milk and lemon juice Simmer five minutes Remove from the heat, add the crab and parsley Taste and re-season with salt and peppers Shape into 12 equal patties Cool

For the mustard glaze, mix all those ingredients together in a stainless steel bowl, and set aside To finish, dust the patties on

SIDE DISHES

New breads baked

Breadsmith, known for hand-crafted artisan breads, has introduced two reduced-carbohydrate breads at the store in Livonia.

These reduced-carb breads are in addition to the variety of current hand-made, hearth-baked European breads offered at the Livonia Breadsmith

Bread is the foundation of a healthy diet, according to Breadsmith owners Bruce Carroll and Chuck Colbeck "With the latest interest in low-carbohydrate, high-protein diets such as Atkins or the South Beach diet, Breadsmith saw a need for a reduced-carb bread that actually tasted good," Colbeck said "We experimented with recipes in order to create a reduced-carbohydrate bread that didn't sacrifice taste, texture or appeal," Carroll said

The result is a European-style bread, crusty on the outside and soft on the inside, available in two flavors multigrain and wheat. The new breads average just less than six carbs per ounce compared to Breadsmith's traditional breads in the same flavors which average about 14 carbs per ounce.

Carbohydrates are reduced in the new breads by replacing regular wheat flour with soy flour, soy protein and gluten, a wheat-based protein. The new reduced-carb breads pack an average of 3.5 grams of fiber and 5 grams of protein per slice (a little more than one ounce) - both crucial for a healthy diet Each slice of the bread averages just 53 calories.

Here's an idea

If there was one word that could sum up what most hard-working parents want for dinner, that word might be "easy"

The time-honored tradition of gathering around the dinner table as a family has fallen on hard times - the result of kids' extracurricular activities and parents working late

A new Web site, www.DinnerMadeEasy.com helps answer the age-old question, 'What's for dinner?' with tips and simple equations for making fast, delicious dinners

both sides with flour Heat a skillet, add the butter until it foams Brown the patties on both sides Place the patties on a cookie sheet pan Coat each with a small amount of the mustard glaze Place the tray under the broiler or in a 450 °F oven until the glaze is brown and the crab cakes are hot Approximately 6-8 minutes

Serve with roasted corn stuffed crepes Serves 6

ROASTED CORN FILLED SCALLION CREPES

Scallion Crepes
 1 tablespoon melted butter
 1/2 cup flour
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon white pepper
 1 scallion minced fine
 2 eggs
 1/2 cup milk

Roasted Corn Salad
 3 ears corn
 2 scallions - white part sliced thin on a bias (save the green for the crepes)

1 small red pepper diced fine
 1 small green pepper diced fine
 1 teaspoon cilantro chopped fine
 1 teaspoon parsley chopped fine
 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
 1 teaspoon sugar
 salt and black pepper to taste

To make the scallion crepes, combine the flour, milk, salt and pepper and 1/2 of the butter in a bowl Add the eggs and whip until smooth Add the scallions Let rest 30 minutes Add more milk if necessary Heat a 8-inch non-stuck skillet. Add a portion of the butter, then add enough batter to just coat the bottom of the pan Cook 1-2 minutes turn over with a thin spatula Cool on a cookie sheet

To make corn salad, season the corn and rub with oil, wrap with aluminum foil, roast in a 350°F oven 15-20 minutes until tender Remove the kernels from the cob Mix all the rest of the ingredients together, season to taste Fill the crepes with the corn salad, slice in half on a bias, serve with crab cakes Serves 6

verizonwireless
We never stop working for you®

Talk all you want it's absolutely FREE

Introducing **in**-NETWORK CALLING



Call any of our 36 million Verizon Wireless customers anytime, anywhere for FREE from the National IN-Network Coverage Area without worrying about the minutes

With 1 or 2 year Customer Agreement on an America's Choice Calling Plan \$39.99 or higher.

Are you **in**?

Buy One
Motorola C243

\$29.99

Get One FREE

With new two-year agreement. Primary line must be on Calling Plan \$39.99 or higher. While supplies last.



AND THE NATION'S MOST RELIABLE WIRELESS NETWORK

Get everyone you know **in**. Get all the credit!

Refer friends and EARN UP TO A \$100 bill credit. The more friends you refer, the more you talk for FREE.

Log on to verizonwireless.com/refer for referral credit details.

CALL **1.888.535.7597**

CLICK **vzwshop.com/in**

VARICOSE VEIN CLINIC

FOR THE TREATMENT OF VARICOSE VEINS

- In office procedure
- Minimal discomfort
- Most insurance companies cover it
- No time off work

FREE
Initial
Consultation
\$100
VALUE

With O & E coupon Only

Performed by a Vascular Surgeon

BLOOMFIELD HILLS
248-858-3969

DEARBORN
313-582-0363

Doctor Nagler's Super-Saver Injection Program

LOSE 5-10 POUNDS THIS WEEK
20 POUNDS THIS MONTH

\$199⁹⁹ Enrollment \$85/Week

734.422.8040

- 6 Injections
- Prescription Medication
- Doctor Visit
- No Other Charges

Diet Results.com 16311 Middlebelt
 Dr. Nagler, M.D. 734.422.8040 Livonia, MI 48154

New Topamax and Zonagran stop sweet and starch cravings

Meadow Brook THEATRE

OF MICE AND MEN

By John Steinbeck

Things are working out for George and his pal Lennie it's the Great Depression, and they've landed good jobs on a farm in California.

In the world of John Steinbeck, however, life is never easy and George and Lennie will come up against terrifying and fragile forces.

Don't miss this dramatic evocation of 1930's America

Opening February 14
and running through March 7.

(248) 377-3300 Ticket info

VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT www.mbtheatre.com

Sponsored by **Observer & Eccentric**

located on the Campus of Oakland University Rochester, MI

VERIZON WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS STORES

<p>ANN ARBOR 2570 Jackson Ave (Next to Blockbuster) 734 769-1722</p> <p>BRIARWOOD MALL (In Sear's Wing Near Center Ct.)</p> <p>BRIGHTON 8159 Chellis Suite C (Off Grand River in front of Target) 810-225-4789</p> <p>CANTON 42447 Ford Rd (Corner of Ford & Lilley Rds Canton Corners) 734-844 0481</p> <p>DEARBORN 24417 Ford Rd (Just West of Telegraph) 313 278-4491</p> <p>Fairlane Mall (3rd Floor Next to Sears) 313-441 0168</p> <p>DETROIT 14126 Woodward (Model T Plaza) 313 869 7392</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS 31011 Orchard Lake Rd (SW Corner of Orchard Lake Rd & 14 Mile Rd) 248 538 9900</p> <p>FENTON 17245 Silver Pkwy (In the Sear's plaza) 810 629-2733</p> <p>GRAND BLANC 12821 S. Saginaw St (In Grand Blanc Mall) 810 606-1700</p> <p>LAKE ORION 2531 S. Lapeer Rd (Orion Mall 2 Miles N of the Palace) 248-393-6800</p> <p>NOVI 43025 12 Mile Rd (Twelve Oaks Service Dr North of Sear's) 248 305 6600</p> <p>Twelve Oaks Mall (Lower level play area)</p> <p>PONTIAC/WATERFORD 454 Telegraph Rd (Across from Summit Place Mall) 248 335 9900</p> <p>ROCHESTER HILLS 3035 S Rochester Rd (At Auburn Rd.) 248 853 0550</p>	<p>ST CLAIR SHORES 26401 Harper Ave (At 10 1/2 Mile) 586 777 4010</p> <p>SOUTHFIELD 28117 Telegraph Rd (South of 12 Mile Rd.) 248 358-3700</p> <p>20128 W 8 Mile Rd (Baseline Plaza, just west of Evergreen) 586 997 6500</p> <p>STERLING HEIGHTS 45111 Park Ave (M 59 & M 53 Ulca Park Plaza) 586 997 6500</p> <p>Lakeside Mall (Lower Ct. play area)</p> <p>TAYLOR 23495 Eureka Rd (Across from Southland Mall) 734-287 1770</p> <p>TROY 1913 E. Big Beaver Rd (Troy Sports Center) 248 526 0040</p> <p>WESTLAND 35105 Warren Rd (SW Corner of Warren & Wayne Rds.) 734 722 7330</p>	<p>WAL-MART LOCATIONS</p> <p>Port Huron 4475 24th Ave 810 385-1231</p> <p>Warren 29240 Van Dyke 586-751 0747</p> <p>White Lake 9190 Highland Rd 248 696-0043</p>	<p>AUTHORIZED RETAILERS Equipment offer and Worry Free Guarantee may vary</p> <p>BLOOMFIELD Global Wireless 1 888 607 1800</p> <p>BRIGHTON Auto One Brighton 810 227 2808</p> <p>CHESTERFIELD TWP Venture Communications 586 421 9900</p> <p>CLAWSON Communications USA 248 280 6390</p> <p>COMMERCE Cellular Source 248 360-9400</p> <p>Wireless Tomorrow 248 669 1200</p> <p>FARMINGTON HILLS Authorized Cellular 248 848 8800</p> <p>GROSSE POINTE Authorized Cellular 1 800 VIP Plus</p> <p>HOWELL Cellular 517 548 7705</p> <p>MACOMB Authorized Cellular 1 800-VIP Plus</p> <p>MADISON HEIGHTS Authorized Cellular 1 800 VIP-Plus</p> <p>MONROE Herkimer Radio 734 242 0806</p> <p>Herkimer Too 734 384 7001</p> <p>REDFORD Diamond Touch 313 535-1600</p> <p>ROCHESTER Cellular Technologies 248 299 0008</p> <p>ROSELVILLE Authorized Cellular 1 800 VIP Plus</p> <p>STERLING HEIGHTS Authorized Cellular 1 800 VIP Plus</p> <p>WEST BLOOMFIELD Global Wireless 248 681 7200</p>
---	--	--	---	---

BUSINESS CUSTOMERS, PLEASE CALL 1.866.899.2862

Free Handset Software Upgrade!

RadioShack
You've got questions. We've got answers®

Night & Weekend hours Nights 9 01 pm 5 59 am M F Wknds 12:00 am Sat 11 59 pm Sun Taxes & surcharges apply & may vary Federal Universal Service Charge of 1.88% (varies quarterly based on FCC rate) & a 5¢ Regulatory Charge per line/month, 45¢ beginning on March 1 2004 are our charges not taxes

IMPORTANT CONSUMER INFORMATION Subject to Customer Agreement Calling Plan & credit approval \$175 cancellation fee per line taxes other charges & restrictions \$35 activation fee with 1 year term Cannot combine with other offers Usage rounded to next full minute Unused minutes lost Coverage service & offers not available in all areas National IN Network Coverage Area covers 235 million people in the U.S Taxes apply See verizonwireless.com/bestnetwork for network claim details ©Verizon Wireless 2004

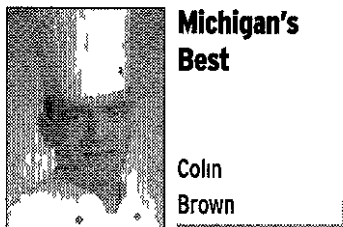
National dish of Scotland is traditional – and tasty

Since I hosted a Burns Night dinner at The Townsend, I will share with you a Scottish tradition – the dish of Haggis, a meat mixture traditionally boiled in a sheep's paunch. Honestly, the Haggis is not as bad as you think. In Scotland it's our national dish and it is really good!

THE HAGGIS AND ROBERT BURNS

The immortal memory of Scotland's most famous poet is sustained at Burns' Night dinners on Jan. 25, the date he was born. During Robert Burns' first visit to Edinburgh in 1786, he wrote his *Address to the Haggis*. It is written in Scottish, rather than the "correct" English, of the rather stiff poetry he wrote at the time to fit in with the tastes of the literary establishment in Scotland.

Scotland united with England and Wales in 1706 to become the United Kingdom. Many upper class members of Scottish society were anxiously trying to lose their Scottishness. Burns was a mas-



Michigan's Best

Colin Brown

ter satirist and a deeply patriotic Scot who hated pretension. He was very aware of the tendency of the gentry to try and lose their Scottish culture, and he satirizes this in the poem.

Address to the Haggis is highly patriotic, atmospheric and suitable for reciting in a loud voice. It is no wonder that it has survived so triumphantly.

THE CEREMONY

Burns Night is a key event in the Scottish year and is celebrated not only in Scotland but wherever people of Scottish descent live. Burns Night has an established ritual which Burns would no doubt have reveled in.

The centerpiece is the haggis, borne on a silver platter by

the cook, preceded by a kilted bagpiper. Others follow, bearing in the dishes of Swede (neaps) and potato (tatties). The Address is declaimed and the haggis is then ceremonially stabbed with the black knife (sgean dhu), kept in the Scots stocking.

The haggis has been the subject of much ridicule and endless bad jokes. Scotland abounds with picture postcards of humanized haggis or three-legged haggis being hunted through the heather.

Traditional haggis recipes call for the savory meat mixture to be boiled in a sheep's paunch, but, as this is difficult to obtain by modern cooks, this recipe is steamed in a basin.

HAGGIS

- 8 ounces liver
- 6 ounces oatmeal
- 2 medium onions
- 8 ounces minced lamb
- 6 ounces shredded suet
- Salt and pepper
- Pinch of grated nutmeg

Put the liver in a saucepan

and cover with cold water. Bring to the boil and boil for 5 minutes. Drain the liver, reserving 4 tablespoons of the water.

Toast the oatmeal under the grill or in the oven until it is golden brown. Allow to cool slightly. Meanwhile, mince the liver with the onions.

Add the oatmeal, minced lamb, suet, salt, pepper, nutmeg and the reserved cooking liquid to the minced mixture and combine thoroughly.

Spoon into an oven proof style dish and tie a lid of greased greaseproof paper and foil on top. Make a pleat in the lid to allow for expansion.

Steam the haggis for 3 hours, replenishing the boiling water when necessary. Serve hot with bagpipes and plenty of Scotch whisky. Serves 6-8.

The next recipe is a traditional accompaniment to Haggis. The turnip in Scotland is commonly called brassica rapa, rutabaga or Swedish

turnip. In England it is called a Swede.

Patrick Miller of Dalswinton introduced it to Scotland in the late 18th century. He was a wealthy man, a director of the Bank of Scotland and chairman of the Carron Iron Company, and had a passionate interest in mechanical and agricultural improvement.

King Gustav III of Sweden was a satisfied customer of Carron and he presented Miller with a gold, diamond encrusted snuffbox bearing a miniature of himself, containing rutabaga seeds. In this way the Swede came to Scotland. The box and its accompanying letter can still be seen in the British Museum in London.

RUTABAGAS

- 1 pound Swede (rutabagas), peeled and diced
- 2 ounces butter
- Pinch of mace, optional

Cook the Swede in boiling water for 15 minutes, until tender. Drain and mash well. Add remaining ingredients and mix well until the butter is

melted and incorporated. Season according to taste.

Mashed potatoes are always a popular main course accompaniment.

MASHED POTATOES

- 1 pound potatoes, cooked
- 1 ounce butter
- 1 tablespoon cream

Mash the potatoes well and sieve if preferred. Add the butter and cream and mix well to incorporate. Season according to taste. Serves 4.

Colin Brown is executive chef at The Townsend Hotel in Birmingham. He studied culinary arts at the Glasgow College of Food Technology and has won several awards including Scottish Chef of the Year and was a member of the Scottish Culinary Olympic team which won seven gold medals, six silver medals and four bronze medals. Married and the father of four children, Brown and his family reside in Auburn Hills. Look for his column on the fourth Thursday of the month. He welcomes comments and questions from readers. E-mail him at www.chef@townsendhotel.com

WINES

FROM PAGE D1

Believing that wine should mirror the soil, Beckmen employs minimal intervention winemaking that respects the unique terroir of Purisima Mountain.

■ 2002 Sauvignon Blanc (\$13) has zesty lemon-lime flavors, balanced by mineral notes.

■ 2002 Purisima Mountain Roussanne (\$16) is the inaugural 250 case commercial release. If you find it, try it with spicy Asian seafood.

■ 2002 Purisima Mountain Marsanne (\$16) sports nice minerality enhanced by pear and melon characters.

■ 2001 Estate Syrah (\$24) has intense fruit with layers of plums, anise and truffles. It has a full mouth feel with earthy tannins.

■ 2001 Purisima Mountain Syrah (\$43) offers aromas of blueberries and plums, while on the palate berries merge with black pepper and earthy spice. Great concentration.

■ 2001 Cuvee Le Bec (\$21) (grenache, syrah, mourvedre and counoise blend) reveals red berries and spice aromas, followed by berry flavors, earthiness and spice, with great harmony in the finish.

■ 1999 Atelher (\$22) (cabernet franc and merlot) is in the tradition of St. Emilion, offering aromas of blackberry, licorice and vanilla with flavors of blackberry and currants.

The Healds are contributing editors for the internationally respected *Quarterly Review of Wines* and *Troy* residents who write about wine spirits and restaurants for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com

WINE PICKS

Sauvignon Blanc, with its fresh key lime, grapefruit zest, lemongrass and tropical fruit characters, is a versatile white wine for fish dishes.

Pick of the pack: 2002 Hanna Sauvignon Blanc, Russian River Valley, \$16.

Outstanding: 2002 Chateau Souverain, \$14 and 2002 Pepl, \$13.

Excellent: 2001 Chateau St. Jean La Petite Etoile Fume Blanc, \$20; 2002 Chateau St. Jean Fume Blanc, \$13; and 2002 Carmen Reserve, \$13.

All wines mentioned are available in metro Detroit. If a retailer does not stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

cinemashow
THE MUSICAL

The magic of the big screen meets the passion of theater in this musical's national tour premiere.

NOW THRU SUNDAY

Kids (12 & under) & Adults (55 & over)
***SAVE \$5.00 on all seats!**
*Excludes Gold Circle Seats

Tickets now at OlympiaEntertainment.com, the Fox Theatre and Joe Louis Arena box offices, Hockeystown Authentics in Troy and all ticketmaster.com outlets including Marshall Field's and Ticketmaster.com. Charge by phone (248) 433-1515.

75TH ANNIVERSARY
FOX THEATRE
A BACI Show

Your prayers have been answered.

VATICAN PACKAGE
FROM **\$164***

For reservations call toll free 1 800 876 2100

At the Vatican, see the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. Includes round-trip airfare from Detroit, round-trip train fare to Rome, and a private tour of the Vatican Museums.

MILLENNIUM HOTEL
417 CINCINNATI O 45202
53352200
www.millenniumhotels.com
Millennium Hotels and Resorts

*Rates are room \$64-\$229 per room per night and include tax, breakfast, and round-trip airfare from Detroit. Taxes and gratuities are extra. Availability is subject to change. Bookings must be made by 4/18/04.

JOE'S PRODUCE
Michigan's Finest

Tiefenbrunner Pinot Grigio 2002
\$10.99 750 ml
Light Bodied w/ Pear & Citrus Fruit Flavors!

Zenato Lagana
A Tuscan White Wine Made From Trebbiano di Lugana
\$10.99 750 ml
A Med-Bodied, Delicious White Wine w/ Ripe Fruit and Balance Acidity.

Joe's Specials!

California Romaine Hearts 2/\$3.00 18 oz bag	Florida Fresh & Crisp Green Beans 99¢ lb.	Florida Grape Tomatoes 2/\$3.00 pint
Ripe & Ready to Eat Peaches 2lbs/\$3.00 \$1.50 lb.	Driscoll High in Anti-Oxidant Blueberries 2/\$4.00 \$2.00 each	Ripe & Ready to Eat Nectarines 2lbs/\$3.00 \$1.50 lb.
Petraio Chianti 100% Sangiovese \$12.99 1.5 liter Med Bodied, soft Blackcherry Fruit w/ a Smooth Finish	Joe's Shredded Parmesan Cheese \$5.49 lb. Save 50¢ lb.	Vitiano Falesco Vitiano 2001 \$9.99 750 ml Black Cherry, Herb & Spicy Finish
Delerde & DeCecco Pasta 2/\$3.00 \$1.50 16 oz pkg	Stonyfield Organic Yogurt \$2.59 32 oz	Joe's Pasta Sauce 2/\$7.00 26 oz jar
Sealtest 1/2% & Skim Milk Gallons \$1.99 gal.		Haagen Daz Ice Cream Pints 2/\$5.00 \$2.50 ea.

While Your Shopping at Joe's this weekend... stop by our sampling table! We'll be sampling Joe's Pasta Sauce all five delicious flavors! Cantoro's Bread and Joe's Parmesan Cheese. Sampling Times are Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Prices Good Through Feb. 29, 2004
Joe's Produce
33152 W. Seven Mile • Livonia, MI 48152
www.joesproduce.com (248) 477-4333

READER RECIPES

FROM PAGE D1

TERIYAKI SALMON FILLETS

1/2 pounds salmon fillet skin on cut into 4 serving size pieces
 1/4 cup teriyaki sauce (Kikkoman works well)
 1/4 cup sugar
 olive oil to coat skillet
 1/2 tablespoons butter

Preheat oven to 375 ° F Line baking pan with foil Spray lightly with vegetable oil

Prepare two shallow dishes, one with sugar, the other with teriyaki sauce

Heat a heavy skillet, adding enough oil and butter to coat surface.

Dip salmon pieces, flesh side down, into teriyaki sauce and then sugar Place in hot skillet and brown About one minute Be prepared — this can be smoky The sugar/sauce mix will caramelize quickly

With a spatula, remove fillets from skillet, and turn them, skin side down, and place on foil lined pan.

Bake in oven for 15 minutes for each inch thickness Remove and serve Serves 4

Recipe courtesy of Barb Dermody of Northville

COD VEGETABLE STEW

3/4 cup each onion and diced carrot
 1/2 cup each chopped celery and green pepper
 1 clove garlic minced
 2 tablespoons oil
 2 tablespoons flour
 12 ounce can chicken broth
 1/4 teaspoon each thyme and basil leaves crushed
 1 1/2 to 2 pounds cod or pollock fillets - thawed if necessary
 Hot cooked rice or noodles
 2 tablespoons chopped parsley

Saute vegetables and garlic in oil. Sprinkle flour over mixture — blend thoroughly Add broth and herbs, cover and simmer 20 minutes Cut fish into large chunks, add to vegetable mixture — simmer covered 10 minutes, until fish flakes easily. Serve over rice or noodles Garnish with parsley Serves 5 to 6

Recipe courtesy of Chris Cloonan of Westland

Here are more fish recipes for the grill

While most people order their fish grilled at restaurants, many feel a little intimidated about cooking that delicate fillet on the outdoor grill back home

How do you keep it from sticking to the grates? How do you tell when it's done? It just doesn't seem as easy as grilling a burger, but it can be, if you follow some simple basics

Here are pointers to guide you with a couple of delectable fish recipes from Weber's Big Book of Grilling — with one recipe from Chicago's famous Weber Grill Restaurant

■ Is it done yet? Fish is adequately cooked when it is just opaque throughout You'll need a knife to test it Carefully slide a sharp knife between the layers of the fish meat, then turn it slightly to get a good look inside If the meat still looks translucent in the middle, give it another minute or two

■ Always use oil To prevent sticking and leaving any of that yummy fish on the grates, you need to oil the fish before you grill it We're not talking about a major bath here — just a good coating of spray oil, or a hearty stroke of the basting brush will do the trick If you've already marinated the fish, you may not need to add more oil The thinner the fillet, the better to play it safe with extra spray

MEDITERRANEAN SEA BASS

The ingredients in this recipe are inspired by the Provence region in southeastern France Keep it simple and enjoy (Suitable substitutes for the sea bass Red snapper, striped bass)

For the paste
 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh basil
 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh thyme

2 teaspoons dried lavender
 1 teaspoon minced garlic
 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

4 skinless Chilean sea bass fillets About 6 ounces each and 1 inch thick

lemon wedges (optional)

To make the paste In a small bowl whisk together the paste ingredients Spread the paste evenly on both sides of the fish fillets Grill over direct high heat until the flesh is opaque throughout and starting to flake, 5 to 7 minutes, turning once halfway through grilling time Serve warm and garnish with lemon wedges, if desired

Makes 4 servings Recipe courtesy of Weber Stephen Products

TEQUILA SALMON

In this rousing dish, bright cit-

rus and classic seasonings do a hat dance with tequila around firm marinated salmon

For the marinade
 1/2 cup fresh orange juice
 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
 3 tablespoons tequila
 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro
 1 tablespoon minced jalapeno pepper with seeds
 1 teaspoon granulated garlic
 1 teaspoon kosher salt
 1 teaspoon ground cumin

4 salmon fillets (with skin) about 6 ounces each and 1 inch thick

For the dressing
 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice
 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

4 handfuls mixed salad greens (3 to 4 ounces)
 1 cup cherry tomatoes halved
 1/4 cup fresh cilantro leaves divided

To make the marinade In a small bowl whisk together the marinade ingredients

Place the salmon fillets in a large, resealable plastic bag and pour in the marinade Press the air out of the bag and seal tightly Turn the bag to distribute the marinade, place in a bowl, and refrigerate for 30 to 45 minutes

To make the dressing In a large bowl whisk together the dressing ingredients Set aside until ready to serve

Remove the fillets from the bag and discard the marinade Grill the salmon, flesh side down, over direct medium heat until you can lift the fillets with tongs without them sticking to the grate, 7 to 8 minutes Turn, skin side down, and finish cooking for 2 to 3 minutes more Slide a spatula between the skin and flesh and transfer the fillets to serving plates

Toss the salad greens, tomatoes, and half of the cilantro in the dressing Divide the greens among the serving plates garnish the fillets with the remaining cilantro and serve

Makes 4 servings Recipe courtesy of Weber Stephen Products

HERB MARINATED CITRUS SWORDFISH

For the marinade
 1/2 cup olive oil
 2 cloves garlic
 3 sprigs fresh Italian parsley
 2 sprigs fresh rosemary (cleaned)
 2 sprigs fresh thyme (cleaned)
 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
 1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper

For the citrus butter
 1/2 pound (2 sticks) unsalted butter
 9 sprigs fresh parsley
 1 tablespoon shallots (minced)
 1 lemon (zested and juiced)
 1 lime (zested and juiced)

To make the marinade Place all ingredients in a food processor and pulse a few times until incorporated

To make the citrus butter Place butter in a mixer, using a paddle, process on medium speed until butter softens, approximately 3 minutes Remove leaves from parsley sprigs and chop Add shallots, lemon and lime zest and juice, and mix for an additional 1 minute Add the parsley last so that the butter does not turn green Remove butter mixture and place on a piece of waxed paper Roll up into a log shape, secure the ends, and place in the freezer

Cut swordfish into 8 ounce portions Coat each piece with 1 tablespoon of marinade, place in refrigerator for 30 minutes Once grill is hot, place fish on Direct High heat for approximately 1 minute on each side Move fish to a cooler part of the grill and finish over Indirect heat with the cover closed, approximately 2 additional minutes Remove fish from the grill, slice 1 tablespoon of citrus butter and place on top of each portion of hot swordfish

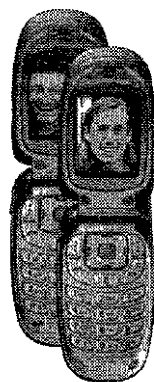
Makes 6 servings Recipe courtesy of Weber Stephen Products

Weber-Stephen Products Co., headquartered in Palatine, Ill., is a manufacturer of charcoal and gas grills and accessories Weber charcoal and gas grills are available at select home centers, hardware stores, department stores, patio stores and other retail outlets

Join the circle.



Introducing free mobile-to-mobile calling. Reachout Unlimited™, only from AT&T Wireless.



Your family, your friends, your babysitter, even your mechanic Now you can call other AT&T Wireless customers — absolutely free — all day, every day, from anywhere within your mobile-to-mobile calling area To get Reachout Unlimited, simply sign up or renew with a two-year agreement on any qualified plan starting at \$39.99/mo Join the circle today See below for activation fee and other monthly charges

Plus, get a great mobile-to-mobile phone deal. Buy one phone for \$49.99, get one FREE!

Samsung X426 flip phone with color screen After \$290 in instant activation credits Suggested retail price \$169.99 ea. Sales tax applies

IT'S EASY TO SWITCH TO THE WIRELESS SERVICE AMERICA TRUSTS. Just bring in your most recent bill and get up to a \$50 INSTANT CREDIT towards the purchase of any new phone

reachout™ on the wireless service America trusts™



To switch today, call: 1 866 REACHOUT or click: attwireless.com Already a customer? Just come in to any AT&T Wireless store today.

AT&T Wireless Stores

Gift Cards now available at most AT&T Wireless stores perfect for any occasion!

AUBURN HILLS
 3922 Baldwin Rd
 248 745 3806

CANTON
 43241 FORD ROAD
 734 981 2107

FAIRLANE TOWN CENTER
 18900 Michigan Avenue
 313 253 3999

REY LAKESIDE MALL
 14600 Lakeside Circle
 586 532 2580

MADISON HEIGHTS
 32300 John R. Rd
 248 589 2770

NOVI
 43267 Crescent Blvd
 248 347 1843

THE SOMERSET COLLECTION
 2800 W Big Beaver Rd
 248 614 1781

BIRMINGHAM
 34200 Woodward Ave
 248 593 8579

DEARBORN
 22137 Michigan Ave
 313 565 2680

FLINT
 3292 Linden Street
 810 733 1170

LIVONIA
 37677 Six Mile Rd
 734 462 1110

MONROE MI
 Frenchtown Square Mall
 734 243 0533

ROSEVILLE
 31802 Gratiot
 586 283 0142

TWELVE OAKS MALL
 27304 X Novi Road
 248 448 9082

BRIARWOOD MALL
 814 Briarwood Circle
 734 913 9257

DETROIT
 2660 E Jefferson
 313 259 1178

THE HURON VILLAGE
 3217 Washtenaw Blvd
 734 973 2043

Important Information

An additional monthly \$1.75 Regulatory Programs Fee applies to help fund our compliance with various government mandated programs which may not yet be available in your area This is not a tax or gov't required charge Requires qualified plan of \$39.99 or above two year agreement compatible device and \$175 cancellation fee New activations also require credit approval and \$36 activation fee Not available for purchase or use in all areas Portability eligibility varies Availability and reliability of service are subject to transmission limitations Different rates apply when outside each applicable Service Area Roaming additional minute and long distance charges apply Various taxes surcharges fees and other assessments (e.g. universal connectivity charge) apply Not available with other offers Limited time offer Other restrictions apply Subject to Service Agreement and printed materials Reachout Unlimited applies to calls placed from the applicable Mobile to Mobile Service Area to another AT&T Wireless subscriber when both are on our domestic network Instant Activation Credits Only available at AT&T Wireless stores attwireless.com and 866 reachout Instant Switch Credit If final phone purchase price is less than \$50 then switch credit will be equal to final phone price One credit per line available at AT&T Wireless stores to individuals with a current competitor's wireless invoice in their name ©2004 AT&T Wireless All Rights Reserved



PDF0E08100742



“Hope and help from Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan.”

Ernie Harwell

“At Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, we’re committed to helping our members live longer and live better. As the Blues’ Health and Fitness Advocate, I enjoy the chance to tell you about the many programs and services the Blues offer that can help us get healthy and stay healthy, and help keep quality health care affordable. Isn’t it great to know that we have a company here in Michigan that can save us money while they’re helping others save lives?”



When it comes to your health, it’s good to have connections.

When a medical condition suddenly changes your life, sometimes it’s hard to know just where to turn or what to do. That’s why we introduced BlueHealthConnection®—our personalized health management program that offers a variety of ways to help our members take charge of their health care. It offers a wealth of resources they need to navigate through health problems and lead better lives. Including access to professional nurses who can offer health education, tips, and hope. With BlueHealthConnection, you’re always just a phone call away from sound information, the kind you can use to make the best health care decisions for you and your family.



Saving money with generic drugs is an easy pill to swallow.

One of the ways Blue Cross is helping our members save out-of-pocket expenses is by urging everyone to get the facts about generic drugs. The FDA requires generic drugs to meet the same standards for strength, purity and quality, and to contain the same active ingredients as the brand-name drugs. Which means that generics give you the same therapeutic effects—for less. Last year, Blues members saved more than \$4 million in out-of-pocket costs due to lower copays for generics. There are times when a generic equivalent is not available. But choosing a generic when possible can help hold down rising health care costs—and can add up to extra money in your pocket. To learn more about what generics can do for you, visit our web site at www.theunadvertisedbrand.com.



WalkingWorksSM for us all.

Walking is the simple way to improve your health. Just three to five times a week for 30 minutes can make a big difference in your overall fitness and well-being.

With the Blues’ WalkingWorks program, we give our members a simple, easy and fun way to get the aerobic exercise needed for good health, with little risk of injury. It’s a step we’re glad to take to help folks live better—and help keep health care affordable for us all.

Friendly advice on staying healthy.

Look for Ernie’s new column on healthier living each week in this newspaper.

For easy-to-follow advice on staying healthy, look for “Take It From Ernie.” It’s a new column sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan with words of wisdom from Hall of Fame broadcaster Ernie Harwell.

Each week, Ernie will highlight simple steps we can all take to improve our health and our quality of life. You’ll find entertaining information on the benefits of walking, the value of using less expensive generic drugs and simple ways to stay healthy and fit. And nobody’s a better example than Ernie himself, Blue Cross Blue Shield’s Health and Fitness Advocate, who makes healthy choices and exercises every day at 86 years of age.

So read “Take It From Ernie,” and as Ernie says, “Take care of your health before it’s lonngggg gone.”

The truth about regular physical activity – at any age.

By Ernie Harwell



While it’s not uncommon for some adults to think they’re either too old or too frail to exercise, nothing could be further from the truth. Regular physical activity brings health benefits and greater well-being at any age.

Regular physical activity helps improve muscle strength, stamina, balance, joint mobility, flexibility, agility, overall physical coordination, metabolism, blood pressure, weight control, even the treatment and prevention of heart disease. It also helps slow bone loss and lowers the risk of developing adult onset diabetes. It even improves your mood.

Of course, I recommend three simple rules for regular physical activity in life’s later innings: Have a physician on your team, take a lot of intentional walks and remember that, as Yogi Berra is fond of saying, “It ain’t over ‘til it’s over.”

And please remember to take care of your health before it’s lonngggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, “the voice of the Detroit Tigers” for more than four decades, retired after 54 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie’s days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with “Miss Lulu,” his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled “Life After Baseball,” is available in bookstores beginning April 2004.



Blue Cross
Blue Shield
Blue Care Network
of Michigan

You and the **POWER** of **Blue!**

www.bcbsm.com

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network are nonprofit corporations and independent licensees of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association.

CALENDAR

Please submit items at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk Taste editor Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E. Maple Birmingham 48009 or e-mail kabramczyk@oe.hometownlife.com

Classic cooking
Busch's Meal Solutions presents the classic cooking series with Seafood The Ultimate Fast Food 6:30 p.m. tonight at Busch's 24445 Drake in Farmington Hills Poultry All Time Favorites on March 11 37083 Six Mile (at Newburgh in Livonia) March 18 at 15185 Sheldon in Plymouth and March 25 (Farmington Hills)

Schoolcraft College
Enjoy the talents of the staff at Schoolcraft College with culinary seminars offered through the culinary arts department and the college's Continuing Education Services. Among the topics are Understanding California Wines 7:30 p.m. Monday March 8 Pett Fours & Miniature Cakes 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday March 8 Quick Easy Meals 6:10 p.m. Wednesday March 10 Great Cuisine for Great Events 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday March 13 Thai and Vietnamese Cuisine 6:10 p.m. Wednesday March 24 Classic French Pastry 6:30 p.m. Thursday March 25 and Be a Sweet Tart 6:30 p.m. Tuesday April 27 For a complete schedule of seminars call (734) 462-4448 or visit the college's Continuing Education Services building 18600 Haggerty in Livonia (south of Seven Mile Road) For information call (734) 462-4448

Asian Fusion
Pacific Rim by Kana's chef Duc Tang will create dishes from the cuisines of Vietnam Thailand and Japan 6:30 p.m. Wednesday March 10 at MFit the University of Michigan Health System located at East Ann Arbor Health Center

Demonstration Kitchen 4260 Plymouth Ann Arbor Learn about turkey tetrazini creole red beans and rice spicy black bean and tortilla bake artichoke mush room and potato casserole at a case role seminar 6:30 p.m. Wednesday March 24

Oakland Community College
Enjoy a Grand Culinary Buffet at Oakland Community College presented by OCC's Culinary Studies Institute 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 28 on the third floor of Building J on the Orchard Ridge Campus Farmington Hills The buffet features a selection of fresh salads vegetables potatoes and meats and fish The dessert table will have pastries tortes flans and cookies Cost is \$8.95 per person A buffet also is scheduled for April 22 For information call (248) 522-3700

Bonnie's Patisserie
Low-carb Cooking and Good Food Fast are among the classes offered at Bonnie's Patisserie 29229 Northwestern Highway in Southfield Classes are scheduled 7:30 p.m. and cost \$35 each The low carb class will be offered Wednesday March 3 while the good food class will be taught Monday March 8 or Wednesday March 10 (The class will be offered both nights, so class attendees will choose one of them.) Glorious Bunch IV with instructions for stuffed French toast with apple sauce bacon potato pie fresh and smoked salmon cakes pear mango salad and pullaway coffee cake will be offered Monday March 15 Call (248) 357-4540 for information

Bella Cucina
Bella Cucina of Plymouth instructs cooking classes in the lower level kitchen at Our Lady of Good Counsel church at North Territorial and Beck roads in Plymouth The next session will give a demonstration on turkey polpet

tone porcini mushroom risotto spinach salad with pancetta and pine nuts and double cheesy garlic bread The class taught 6:30-9:30 p.m. on March 9 and repeated March 16 and March 30 is a hands-on demonstration Class sizes are limited to 12 with a cost of \$50 per person and payment due at registration For information call (734) 455-4232

Beer tasting
Enjoy various samplings and tastings of beer at the ninth annual Winterfest Beer Tasting 7:30 p.m. Wednesday March 24 in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College's Livonia campus 18600 Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads The event is sponsored by the Schoolcraft College Gourmet Club and Merchant's Fine Wine with locations in Grosse Pointe Woods Dearborn and Royal Oak Patrons must be 21 years of age and provide identification at the door Tickets are \$40 per person and include fine culinary cuisine up to 50 tastings of assorted beers door prizes and a complimentary tasting glass Tickets can be purchased at Merchant's Fine Wine locations or in the Student Activities Office at Schoolcraft College by calling (734) 462-4422 All tickets are pre-sale only

Great Lakes Great Wine
The Ninth Annual Great Lakes Great Wine Walk Around will be presented on April 1 by the Culinary Studies Institute at Oakland Community College in the third floor of Building J on the college's Orchard Ridge campus Sample from some of the more than 500 wine selections from the Great Lakes region Enjoy the tastes of specially prepared foods from leading area restaurants Proceeds benefit the culinary student scholarships For information call (248) 522-3700

Make dinner a quick fix of steak and rice

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lean beef, including top sirloin steak, is nutritious and easy to cook when you need dinner on the table quickly

BEEF STEAK WITH BROWN RICE AND VEGETABLES

- 1 boneless beef top sirloin steak cut 1/2-inch thick (about 1 pound)
- 1/4 cup prepared non-creamy Caesar dressing
- 2 teaspoons lemon pepper

- 1 cup uncooked instant brown rice
- 2 cups frozen vegetable mixture such as baby green and yellow beans and carrots
- 2 tablespoons prepared non-creamy Caesar dressing
- 2 tablespoons shredded Parmesan cheese (optional)

Cut beef steak crosswise into four equal pieces Place steaks and 1/2 cup dressing in food-safe plastic bag, turn steaks to coat Close bag securely and marinate in refrigerator 15 minutes Remove steaks from marinade, discard marinade Season steaks

with lemon pepper

Heat large nonstick skillet over medium heat until hot Place steaks in skillet, cook about 8 to 10 minutes for medium-rare doneness, turning once

Meanwhile, cook rice according to package directions, including salt but omitting butter When adding rice to saucepan, stir in vegetables When rice is done, stir in 2 tablespoons dressing Serve with steaks Sprinkle with cheese if desired

Makes 4 servings

Surf the web all you want



...for only **\$13.99** per month*

Includes:

- | SPAM & Virus protection for your e-mail | Toll-Free technical support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week |
- | Available parental controls filter | And NO CONTRACTS!

A deal this good won't last long, so sign-up and start surfing today before this offer expires.

1.866.761.8742 or www.htdconnect.com

*New customers only

THE **Observer & Eccentric** NEWSPAPERS hometownlife.com

Brought to you by your trusted, Hometown Newspaper.

2/\$3

Melody Farms Milk

Whole, 1/2%, 2% or Skim-gallon

\$4.99
Tide Ultra Liquid Laundry Detergent
Regular, With Bleach or Mountain Spring
100 oz.

99¢
Stouffer's Macaroni & Cheese Entree
12 oz.

SAVE \$9.94 on this Meal Deal

Sterling Atlantic Salmon Fillet Meal Deal

Purchase a Sterling Atlantic Salmon Fillet (2.5 lbs. or more) & get ALL 6 items below **FREE!**

- Near East Rice Pilaf, 5 4 - 10 oz
- Fresh Express Garden Salad, 1 lb bag
- French Bread, 16 oz loaf
- Fresh Broccoli, bunch
- Coca-Cola Products, 2 liter bottle (guest pays deposit)
- Little Angel Food Cake, 4 count

LIMIT ONE MEAL DEAL OFFER PER GUEST

LOWER PRICE Catch of the Day - in our Seafood Service Case

\$9.98	\$4.99 per lb.	\$7.99 per lb.
Busch's Cooked Shrimp	Tilapia Fillets	Haddock Fillets
41 - 50 count, 2 lb. bag Sold Frozen	Tender, flaky & great mild taste!	Delicate flake with a tender texture.

Prices effective through Sunday, February 29, 2004.

Discover the Chef in you! Busch's Cooking Class "Seafood: The Ultimate Fast Food" February 26th, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at our Farmington Hills location (corner of Six Mile & Newburgh)

Come Tonight!

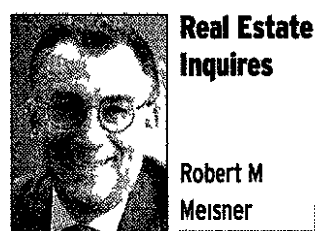
Shop online at www.buschs.com

at our Farmington Hills & Plymouth/Northville locations • pick-up only

Proud to be Southeastern Michigan's largest independent grocery retailer.

Busch's
Your Food Store

PDF006181799



Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

Dealing with elderly can be complex issue

Our association is faced with elderly members who have mental and/or physical problems which cause them to stop cleaning their unit, let their bathroom tub overflow and leave stove burners on. What steps can we take to deal with this situation?

Association property can be damaged and if a neighbor is hurt or his property is damaged the association could be liable if it does not take some sort of action to deal with the situation. In a sense, once the association is aware of a problem with an elderly member leaving burners on, for instance, it may have a duty to protect the safety and welfare of the neighbors and can be sued if there is an accident involving the elderly member. The association may consider one or more of the following steps: (1) communicate with the elderly member, (2) contact the member's family, (3) contract services for elderly people, (4) if necessary, file a court action seeking the appointment of a guardian or conservator or any other solution courts can offer, and/or (5) check with your lawyer concerning what state laws provide for emergency solutions. This is a complex problem that needs detailed analysis by the board in connection with the association's attorney.

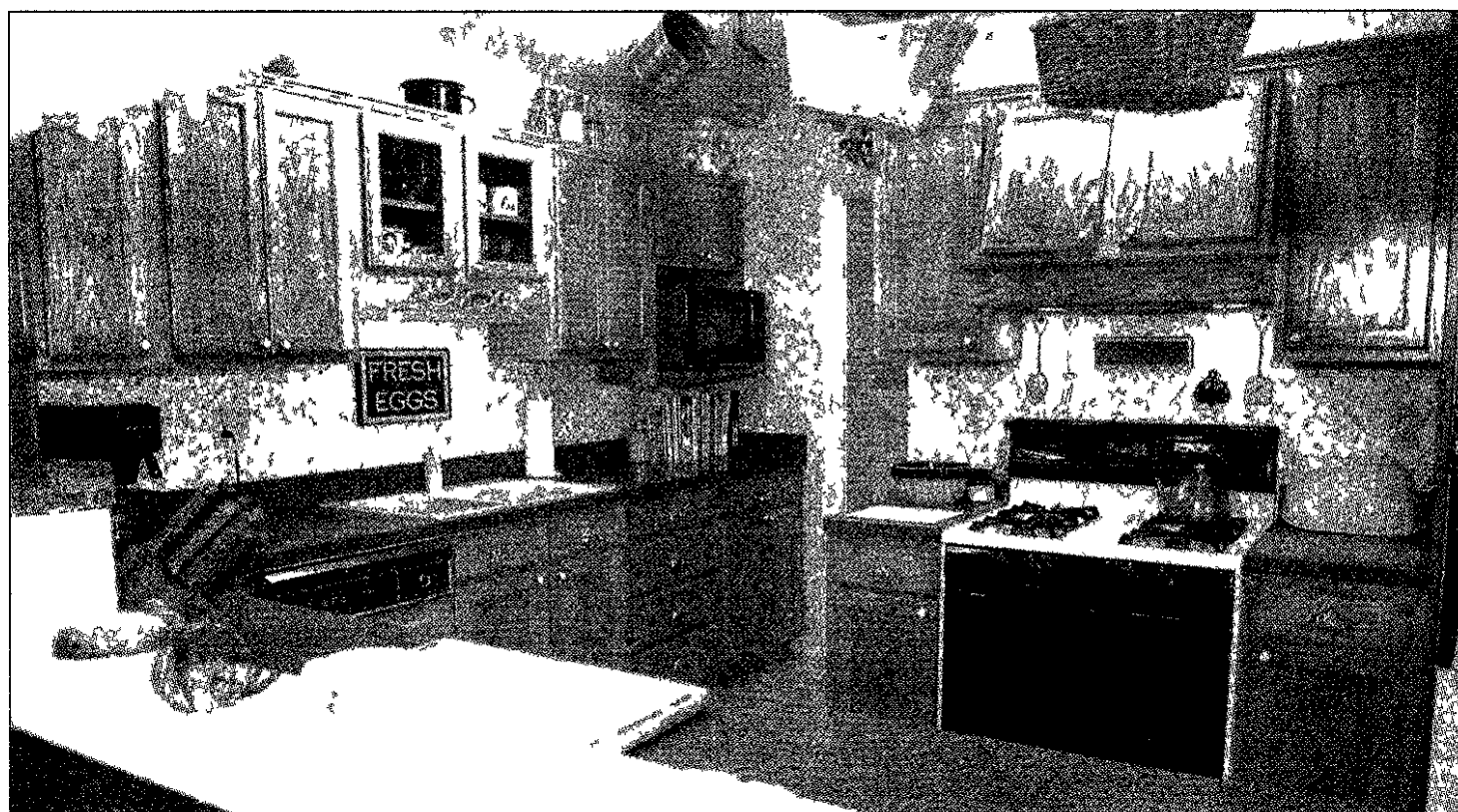
We have a new restrictive covenant which we wish to add to our homeowners association's existing covenants but the covenants state that the owners may only "change or modify the restrictions." Can we add something new to it?

While I would have to look at your documents specifically, it appears that based upon a Colorado Supreme Court case on similar facts, a new restrictive covenant could be added but you are well-advised to consult with a community association attorney to confirm this result.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track*, second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information call (248) 644-4433 or visit meisner@mich.com. This column should not be construed as legal advice.

View the Observer & Eccentric Real Estate Classifieds on the Web:
www.hometownlife.com

Kitchen jewel of house in country setting



The kitchen is the jewel of Peggy and Jerry Goldsworthy's house in Rochester Hills.

Series of remodeling projects does the trick

BY NORMAN PRADY
CORRESPONDENT

If you're looking for a room you can fall in love with, Diane Tubbs would like to show you the kitchen of a house she has for sale in the Walton/Adams Road area of Rochester Hills.

Tubbs is a Realtor with Countryside GMAC in Rochester. She said the four-bedroom house on a half-acre lot in a country setting is appealing in many ways, but the kitchen is the jewel.

It's a kitchen resulting from a series of remodeling projects directed by Peggy and Jerry Goldsworthy, who have owned the 48-year-old house since 1991.

"The house was really small when we bought it," Peggy said, "and we knew from the beginning that we were going to remodel it at some point."

"We put an addition at first, on the side," she said.

That's when the carport became the living room, the former living room became the dining room and the former dining room was destined to become the breakfast nook when the kitchen would be redone two years after.

While the Goldsworthys expanded their house from 1,256 square feet to 1,650, the dimensions of the kitchen remained 15 feet by 12 feet.

The kitchen, Peggy said, "was really chopped up." The cabinets were original to the house, and there were no counters on either side of the stove. The very old creamy-color countertops had lots of scratches. There were stainless steel tiles on the wall, which needless to say, came down the day the Goldsworthys closed on the house.

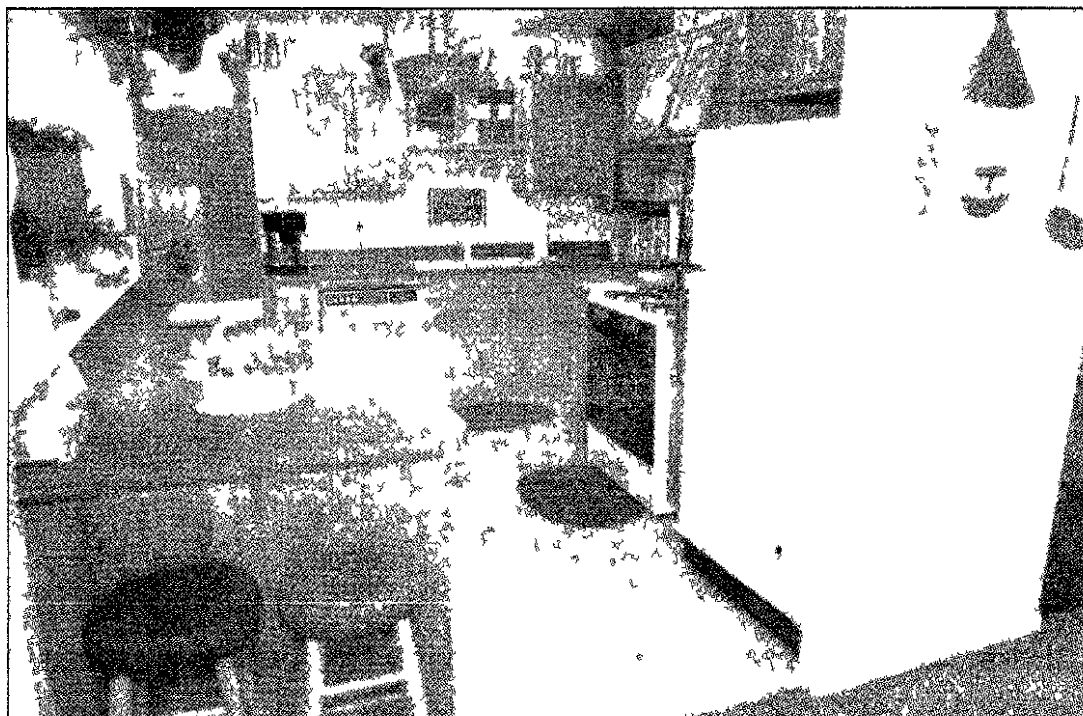
Twenty thousand dollars later, Peggy said, she had the kitchen she dreamed about.

In addition to more counter space, Peggy's especially pleased with the appliance garage built into a corner. She can conceal the food processor, blender, electric mixer and other tools, parking them off her inviting countertop.

"I'm going to miss it," she said of her kitchen while thinking about their upcoming move to Almont to be near family. Their next house is ready and waiting for them.

"I already have plans," she said, "for the new kitchen."

Selling a home with a room that says "buy this house?" We'd like to hear from you so we can tell our readers about it. Contact Keely Kaleski, assistant managing editor, Features (248) 901-2587 or e-mail kkaleski@oe.homecomm.net.



Peggy Goldsworthy is moving to Almont and will miss this kitchen. The small space was remodeled to be more functional.



This cozy country kitchen has lots of nice details.



Baskets hang from the ceiling, within reach, but out of the way, in this cozy kitchen.

Mortgage Bits

Tim 'Timbo' Phillips



Last call for great loan rates?

I have experienced an interesting phenomenon over the past few months. I have not had to field any phone calls asking about the direction of mortgage interest rates. I think the world has collectively decided that rates will not go lower. Now, we may all be wrong, but I think it's pretty safe to say we are at "last call" for great rates.

The more relevant question of the times is how much longer do we have before the rates begin their upward journey? Wall Street, of late, has occasionally shown some nice gains with heavy volume, and the economy seems to be showing signs of renewal.

What's that mean for interest rates? Generally, aggressive and sustained stock market growth (or a large bond market sell-off) leads to rising mortgage interest rates. When investors flood the stock market with money in the form of purchase orders, the increased demand pulls money from the competing bond market. This reduced demand, in turn, drives bond yields up. Bond yields and mortgage rates generally mirror each other, so mortgage interest rates normally rise too.

UPWARD TREND

Though these concepts seem simple enough, knowing our exact position in our recovery cycle is a real bug-a-boo. Already this year, we have seen some recovery in the stock market, but none with sustained high-volume trading. They appear to be "false starts," at first, yet the trend generally continues upward. Very curious.

Given that this year is an election year, it is unlikely that "The Fed" (a.k.a. Alan Greenspan) will want to upset the proverbial apple cart by toying with rate increases until after the general elections this fall - even if the economy warrants the change, but he might. Thus, it becomes extremely difficult to predict how much longer we will enjoy these record low interest rates.

There is really only one thing for certain: The rates are the best they have been in decades and unless the economy totally tanks they will not be this low again for a long time. If you are going to refinance or make a purchase, sooner is better than later.

Timothy J. Phillips is a mortgage broker and newspaper columnist. You may access his archives at www.HomeQuartersBIZ.com and you may phone him toll free at (866) 369-4516. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

JUMBO LOAN of the WEEK



Call for details
Keith H. Lewis
248-901-1700

LEWIS FINANCIAL GROUP LLC
Mortgage Banking • Downtown Birmingham

HOME of The WEEK

Plymouth's Woodlore North!



This 4,260+ square foot "Venice" model is the largest floorplan in the sub with 4 huge bedrooms + 4 full baths + 2 half baths. It's pristine inside & out. Plus you get more costly visible features with this previous builder's model like front & rear staircases, soaring ceilings, gazebo'd breakfast/casual dining area, 2 fireplaces, dual high end central heating & cooling systems + more. Showcase interior with white painted woodwork & rounded drywall corners. Opulent 23x18 master suite with sitting area, spa quality master bath & 2 walk-in closets. Finished lower level with full bath & sauna + entertainment & gaming areas. Private Southern exposed wooded lot with custom deck & hot tub. Preview via virtual tour at www.gladchun.com. Very attractively priced at \$619,900.

Call Mike & Mary Gladchun
RE/MAX on the trail 734.459.1234



0208176010

www.DetroitMortgages.com

MORTGAGE RATE UPDATE

TERM	RATE	PTS	LOCK	FEE	APR	TERM	RATE	PTS	LOCK	FEE	APR	TERM	RATE	PTS	LOCK	FEE	APR
GROUP ONE MORTGAGE CO. Stuart P Daniels 5/1 Arm 4.50 0.00 30day \$350 4.61apr 15yr Fix 4.25 1.00 30day \$350 4.11apr Website: Stuart.Grouponmortgage.com 800-436-1452 (pg)																	
FIRST INTERNATIONAL MTGE. 30yr Fix 5.375 0.00 30day Call 5.50apr 15yr Fix 4.75 0.00 30day Call 4.87apr 3/1 Arm 3.75 0.00 30day Call 3.87apr 248-540-1065																	
NORTHLAWN FINANCIAL 30yr Fx 5.25 0.00 30day \$300 5.32apr 3/1 Arm 3.75 0.00 30day \$300 3.86apr 5/1 Arm 3.875 0.00 30day \$300 4.08apr Option Arm 1.25% 3.34apr 248-988-8488																	
GOLDEN RULE MORTGAGE 30yr Fix 5.00 1.50 30day 0.00 5.18apr 15yr Fix 4.25 1.00 30day 0.00 4.63apr 5/1 Arm 3.125 1.00 30day 0.00 3.25apr No Application Fee / Ask About Interest Only 800-764-1074																	
DIRECT MORTGAGE FUNDING Call 866-457-7399 Rates as low as 1.25% 30yr Fix 5.50 0.00 30day Low 5.73apr 3/1 Arm 3.50 0.00 30day Low 3.73apr 15yr Fix 4.875 0.00 30day Low 5.11apr 5yr Arm 1.25 0.00 30day Low 4.06apr																	
HOME FINANCE OF AMERICA 30yr Fx 5.375 0.00 30day \$295 5.47apr 15yr Fix 4.75 0.00 30day \$295 4.92apr Open Sat. & Sun 9-3 www.hfamortgage.com 800-358-5626																	
AMERICAN FIRST RATE 30yr Fx 5.375 0.00 45day \$350 5.41apr 15yr Fix 4.75 0.00 45day \$350 4.81apr 3/1 Arm 3.50 0.00 50day \$350 3.61apr Imperfect Credit O.K. With Equity 800-887-9106 www.loansuccess.com																	
AMERIPLUS MORTGAGE CORP. 30yr Fx 5.50 0.125 30day \$400 5.42apr 20yr Fx 5.125 0.00 30day \$400 5.17apr 15yr Fx 4.75 0.25 30day \$400 4.94apr 10yr Fx 4.25 0.00 30day \$400 4.32apr 5/25 Bal 4.25 0.125 30day \$400 4.28apr ASK FOR A NO COST QUOTE PURCHASE RATES EVEN LOWER 800-740-2323																	
NORTHWESTERN FINANCIAL All Types of Credit Accepted • CASH FAST TO PAY OFF BILLS & TAXES • BANKRUPTCY (Current / Prior) • SELF EMPLOYED / NO INCOME VERIFICATION • NO COST EQUITY LINES • ZERO DOWN PROGRAMS 800-292-7768																	
1ST METROPOLITAN MORTGAGE IF YOUR PAYMENTS ARE GREATER THAN \$125,000 4.62 per month \$250,000 894.87 per month \$175,000 584.59 per month \$350,000 1,168.12 per month You Need To Call Us Now! 866-586-9553 Payment rate based upon 2.67% apr zero points, 30day lock																	

LENDERS - TO PARTICIPATE, CALL 1-800-736-1305
www.DetroitMortgages.com

Rates/terms/apr current as of 2/23/04 may change without notice or vary depending on loan size Source Midwest Mortgage Monitor #Credit report/appraisal APR based on \$150,000 loan amount 15 day prepaid int

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

29060 Balmoral \$140,000	28590 N Clements \$140,000	9649 Grayfield \$125,000
3191 Bridge \$154,000	15566 Nola \$270,000	19726 Imperial Hwy \$107,000
5742 Cardwell \$139,000	15022 Norman \$195,000	25782 Jennifer \$145,000
31520 Cherry Hill \$99,000	18955 Norwich \$202,000	26620 Jennifer Ct \$144,000
6557 Elizabeth \$123,000	29205 Oriole \$214,000	26710 Jew \$75,000
29534 Florence \$147,000	38988 Parkhurst \$222,000	9577 Kinloch \$140,000
2054 He en \$85,000	31721 Pembroke \$180,000	9250 Louis \$185,000
32535 Leona \$128,000	30062 Puritan \$170,000	27225 Lyndon \$121,000
42703 Barchester \$153,000	35862 Richland \$177,000	16971 Macarthur \$132,000
42272 Beechwood \$230,000	15410 Shadyside \$277,000	1471 Norborne \$175,000
503 Cherry Orchard \$229,000	20321 Shadyside \$208,000	15979 Norborne \$98,000
588 Cherry Orchard \$225,000	10010 Stark \$298,000	17689 Norborne \$107,000
591 Cherry Orchard \$226,000	15030 Taylor Blvd \$85,000	17714 Norborne \$133,000
46785 Creeks \$287,000	19551 Taylor Blvd \$299,000	19742 Olympia \$135,000
1780 Delancy \$440,000	17983 Unversity Park \$165,000	20452 Olympia \$199,000
45537 Edgewood \$280,000	18149 Unversity Park \$147,000	18836 Seminole \$112,000
39875 Edmuntson \$170,000	18362 Unversity Park \$124,000	19129 Seminole \$100,000
42123 Farv ew \$185,000	19559 Brentwood \$150,000	26402 Student \$139,000
49168 Founders \$205,000	28875 Broadmoor \$169,000	9591 Tecumseh \$139,000
7111 Foxcreek \$255,000	32361 Cambridge \$290,000	13032 Tecumseh \$140,000
41615 Haggerty Woods \$250,000	18175 Chase Blvd \$243,000	26419 W 7 Mile \$60,000
46271 Hanford \$273,000	19822 Deering \$166,000	26419 W 7 Mile \$67,000
44104 Harsdale \$233,000	35583 Elmira \$218,000	15786 Wormer \$141,000
7019 Harvard \$129,000	16994 Farmington \$179,000	
41605 Lar more \$181,000	17004 Farmington \$190,000	825 Alvin \$149,000
5884 Lovewood Ct \$428,000	17006 Farmington \$209,000	2589 Barns \$250,000
48631 Manhattan Cir \$482,000	17012 Farmington \$183,000	2732 Barns \$285,000
1240 N W llard \$191,000	31660 Five Mile \$145,000	34538 Blackfoot \$150,000
4430 Napier \$300,000	20350 Floral \$152,000	2640 Cascade Ct \$71,000
1605 Orchard \$115,000	17542 Francavilla \$260,000	32035 Cheboygan Ct \$92,000
45062 Saltz \$236,000	15375 Garden \$85,000	30805 Cooley Blvd \$150,000
41556 Singh \$345,000	35022 Grove \$291,000	738 Easley \$123,000
1908 Stonebridge Way \$438,000	33635 Grove \$233,000	7230 Fox Chase \$260,000
1503 Tradition \$285,000	18512 Hillcrest \$148,000	38565 Joy \$160,000
43568 W Arbor Way \$125,000	14828 Hx \$210,000	7538 Manor Cir \$95,000
1729 Wentworth \$253,000	18942 Irving \$144,000	28337 Powers \$98,000
43750 Westminster Way \$235,000	8925 Laurel \$240,000	9979 Berwyn \$147,000
6720 Woonsocket \$194,000	14750 Marsha \$223,000	13468 Crosley \$148,000
	16565 Merriman \$485,000	14340 Fenton \$147,000
	28229 N Clements \$158,000	20476 Glenmore \$117,000
		1608 Shoemaker \$108,000

Mortgage rates at lowest in 7 months

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON - Mortgage rates around the country dropped this week to their lowest levels in seven months, good news for prospective home buyers.

The average rate on benchmark 30-year mortgages fell to 5.58 percent, down from 5.66 percent last week, Freddie Mac, the mortgage giant, said Thursday in its weekly nationwide survey of mortgage rates. This week's rate was the lowest since 5.52 percent for the week ending July 11.

Rates on 30-year mortgages sank to 5.21 percent in the middle of June, the lowest level in more than four decades. Since then rates have bounced up and down.

For 15-year mortgages, a popular option for refinancing, rates declined to 4.87 percent this week - also the lowest since July 11 - and down from 4.96 percent last week.

CUSTOMIZED HOME LOANS

DO YOU DREAM IN TWO, THREE, OR FOUR BEDROOMS?

- Competitively priced, fixed or adjustable rate loans.
 - A variety of down payment options
 - Reduced points/fees programs
- Complimentary pre-approval

To make your dream a reality, call us today.

17909 Haggerty Road
Northville, MI 48167
(248) 374-4501



Washington Mutual HOME LOANS

Programs subject to change. Certain restrictions apply. Borrower Pre-Approval subject to acceptable property/appraisal. Reduced points/fees. Interest rate/APR will be higher than when closing costs are paid by you. We have loan offices and accept applications in Washington Mutual Bank FA and Washington Mutual Home Loans Inc. many states. Washington Mutual Bank ID OR UT WA and Washington Mutual Bank fsb ID MET UT

Find your favorite recipes each Thursday in Taste



feeling at home WEIR, MANUEL, SNYDER & RANKE REALTORS

1437 MAPLE SIANN ARBOR TR & E SHELDON

PLYMOUTH
Charming ranch in prestigious downtown location. Wet plaster, cove ceilings and hardwood floor complement the spacious rooms. Newer addition of family room, 4 seasons room and fully finished lower level.

734-455-6000 37MA-24011931 \$509,000

7885 SLEEPY HOLLOW E OF 6 MILE W OF CURTIS

SALEM
Whatever your lifestyle this home is for you. 2.2 wooded acres is only minutes from town. Professionally finished lower level w/pool, bar and game room including furniture, finish built ins, TV and aquarium.

734-455-6000 85/SL-24008589 \$509,000

18256 MACARTHUR, REDFORD N OF SIX MILE - E OF INKSTER

REDFORD
Your personal comfort is assured in this 3-bedroom 2 full bath style home in affordable Redford. Hardwood floors, freshly painted. Open floor plan. Newer roof, furnace, A/C, 2+ garage. Finished basement.

734-455-6000 56/MA-24018468 \$135,900

9078 BEECH-DALY, REDFORD N OF 5 MILE - E OF MIDDLEBELT

REDFORD
A place where you can belong. A beautifully built neighborhood only enhances this 3 bedroom brick ranch. Updates galore. Newer roof, C/A furnace, glass block windows, kitchen, bath, solid side entry with full glass storm. All this AND much more.

734-455-6000 52/SU-24010703 \$135,000

REDFORD
When you think of Redford charm this home exceeds all expectations. This custom built ranch features gorgeous woodwork, original pristine hardwood floors, spacious open floor plan. Wet plaster, cove ceilings.

734-555-6000 78BE-24016759 \$150,000

National City Mortgage 734-455-6000
500 South Main St., south of Ann Arbor Trail
VIEW NEARLY 30,000 LISTINGS AT www.weirmanuel.com

Quality PROPERTIES INC. Real Estate

1365 S. Main, Plymouth or visit us on the web... www.qualitypropertiesGMAC.com (734) 451-5400

GMAC Real Estate PREMIER SERVICE

Trusted Advisor Skilled Negotiator Expert Facilitator service you deserve. People you trust.

CANTON
LOOK AND SEE! A 4 bedroom Colonial. New kitchen and bath. Oak floors. A super bargain for \$199,900. (P94HIL)

LIVONIA
NEWER 2 BED/1.5 BATH TOWNHOUSE W/ DEN. Well located in an amenior building at Bell Creek Square. The end unit features an oak kit w/pantry & over-sink windows. 1 yr w/gas f/pic h/dwd flrs. fin lower level. att. & direct access gar. Very neutral & immaculate. (P62FAR) \$183,900

LIVONIA
BEAUTIFUL STONELEIGH VILLAGE COLONIAL. Spotless & updated. ns de & out too many to mention! 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, fam rm, w/pice. Must see remodeled kitchen w/ hickory cabs, 1/2 bath, h/dwd flrs, park like backyard. (17RIV) \$277,900

NORTHVILLE
PRESTIGIOUS "STONEWATER". Nearly new & beautifully detailed. Executive 4 brm, 3 1/2 ba home. Complete w/inscpng sprkrs & cedar deck. Upgrades galore. gourmet cherry kit w/ granite cnts. Bullers pantry, wine cooler & cook's deck. Gorgeous mstr suite ba w/VVIC + 2+ 16x12 WIC & sitting rm. (P31BIN) \$669,900

PLYMOUTH
RED BRICK RANCH. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths in open floor plan w/living room, dining room & family room. Updated kitchen in basement w/ rec room & gas f/pic. Beautiful yard with deck. Conveniently located! (P40GRE) \$209,900

PLYMOUTH
RIDGWOOD HILLS COLONIAL. Featured in Parade of Homes! Professional decor inside & out. 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 4-season room, master suite w/new master bath, built in glassed bookcases surround fireplace. (50RED) \$419,900

NORTHVILLE
CONDO IN HIGHLAND LAKES. Canterbury model w/2 brm, 1 1/2 ba, 1200 SF. Great location with n community. Wallside replacement w/n w/ warranty. newer cabs, countertops & sinks n kit & baths. Very clean, neut. decor. Deck w/privacy fence. Access to 3 lakes, pool, tennis cts & clubhouse. All appli nct. (P80QUE) \$150,900

PLYMOUTH
PLYMOUTH POINTE. Over 1,700 SF of vng space. Living room w/gas f/pic & m mored wal opens to dining area. Master & bath w/vanity area. 2nd brm has full bath & lg closets. Family rm & 1st flr laundry add to the list of treasures. (P73DON) \$175,500

PLYMOUTH
HEART OF DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH! Well maintained bungalow with finished basement, Florida room and garage. Priced at \$209,900. (P65MAP)

PLYMOUTH
UPDATED PLYMOUTH HOME BACKS TO WOODS. Beautiful 4 brm, 1 1/2 bath colonial features Pella patio door to sunroom. Andersen windows oak kit, fam rm w/gas f/pic, ceramic foyr, h/dwd flrs. Nice y landscaped w/ sprinkers. Prem lot backing to county park. (P28PAR) \$226,900

REDFORD
GREAT FAMILY NEIGHBORHOOD. South Redford Schools. All brick ranch on a double lot. Partially finished basement w/a Franklin gas stove, eat in kitchen & dining room too. 2 car garage, fenced yard. Florida room. (P64GAR) \$159,500

FARMINGTON HILLS
GORGEOUS 3 BDRM 2.5 BATH RANCH. Rare custom built, immaculate, priced to sell, quick! Spac. kit w/extra cabs, fam rm w/ nat f/pic w/earth & mantle, cer bath, 1st flr laundry full bsmt. New w/n'to all appls, freshly painted. Updated roof, sec sys, sprinklers, patio, 2 car at gar. (29CAM) \$239,900

BRIEFS

Real Estate Briefs features news and notes on professional associations office activities upcoming meetings and seminars new services/products and consumer publications Write Real Estate Briefs Attn: Keely Kaleski Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E. Maple Birmingham MI 48009 Our fax number is (248) 644 1314 Our e-mail address is kkaleski@oe.hometownlife.com

Buying a home

The Community House will present a class Purchasing Your Home and Obtaining a Mortgage 7:30-9 p.m. Monday March 1. The class will help you understand the home buying process from the types of mortgages offered to the financial and qualifying requirements. In addition, a Realtor will be in attendance to discuss how to best shop for your new home. The seminar is presented by Sarah Chiaramonte, assistant vice president and Ken Tomich, senior mortgage consultant, Chase Home Finance. The cost is \$5. To register, contact The Community House, 380 S. Bates, Birmingham (248) 644 5832 or www.communityhouse.com

Basement remodeling

Livonia Community Education, in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute, will offer an eight-hour basement remodeling seminar 6-10 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, March 1 and 3 at Holmes School, 10200 Newburgh in Livonia. The seminar costs \$101 plus an \$8 textbook fee. Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Thursday, Feb. 26, to Livonia Community Education. Call (734) 744 2602 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. to register. The instructor, a licensed builder, will explain the many facets of basement remodeling, including planning, meeting building codes, insurance, permits, estimating materials, the basics of home construction, working with subcontractors, finishing techniques, and tying into existing plumbing, electrical, and heating systems.

Home building

Plymouth/Canton Community Education, in cooperation with Oakland Builders Institute, will offer a 16-hour seminar Home Building: Protecting You and Your Money 6-10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, March 2 and 4 at Canton High School, 8415 Canton Center Road. The seminar costs \$205 plus \$30 for two textbooks. Pre-registration with payment is required by Friday, Feb. 27, to Plymouth/Canton Community Education. To register, call (734) 416 2937 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Whether you work alone or with a contractor, you'll gain information to avoid the common pitfalls that confront most new home builders. The course will cover home financing, the building process, builder's terms and contracts, the basics of buying property, building codes and permits, getting bids for labor and materials, insurance requirements, and much more. The instructor is a licensed builder.

Featured HOMES OF THE WEEK

Presented By **REMERICA** INTEGRITY REALTORS

 <p>Canton Upgrades galore! 4 bed 2 1/2 bath custom family home Home warr 3 car gar F/P bsmt 2800+ sq ft Designed for beauty comfort & convenience! \$368 000 Call Susan Crider (734) 377 3773 (SC69RIV)</p>	 <p>Livonia Gorgeous 3 bed 1/2 bath super ranch 2 car garage newer windows roof new Berber carpet & bathroom Freshly painted deck off master br w/hot tub \$157 777 Call Jim Mariani (734) 709 7777 (JM29PEM)</p>
 <p>Dearborn Cute 3 bed home on a spacious corner lot Bsmt 2 car garage updates include roof kitchen bath HWH walls/ida windows furnace C/A \$135 900 Call Matt Schrocka (313) 580 0867 (MS40ROS)</p>	 <p>Northville Prestigious Stone water offers this 4 bed home with a finished walkout on Teal Lake w/boat dock 3 F/P's sunroom off nook sprinklers \$899 900 Call Angie Rouiller @ (313) 623 4456 (AR54PAR)</p>
 <p>Detroit Lovely 3 bed brick bungalow Bsmt garage fenced yard new roof furnace HWH entry doors newer electrical fresh paint close to schools \$105 000 Call Ed Otlewski (248) 431 2804 (EO68BRI)</p>	 <p>Genoa Sandy beach lakefront ranch 2 car gar 2 baths 20 ft bow window overlooking lake Scenic and private lot walk to golf course newer seawall sprinklers \$339 900 Call Angie Rouiller @ (313) 623 4456 (AR60BLA)</p>
 <p>Garden City 3 bed corner brick ranch 2 baths C/A hwdwd floors new doors oak kitchen 4 fans Bsmt has office rec room bath w/shower F/P Wrap deck 2 car garage \$169 900 Call Charlie Fries (734) 673 2415 (CF30FA)</p>	 <p>Highland 101 ft White Lake canal frontage n private seven harbors sub 4 bed 2 bath home Addn n 93 2 car garage appliances stay Relocating bring offers! Call Susan Crider (734) 377 3773 (SC31WOO)</p>
 <p>Redford Beautiful 3-bed 1/2 bath bungalow Newer features include vinyl siding gutters carpet roof shingles C/A HWH new sod in front yard freshly painted deck Bsmt 2 car garage & more! \$129 900 (58SUM)</p>	 <p>Redford Fantastic 3 bed starter ranch Florida room off master br newer vinyl siding roof & windows bsmt fenced yard shed 1000+ sq ft \$104 777 Call Jim Mariani (734) 709 7777 (JM90POL)</p>

REMERICA INTEGRITY
Locations in Livonia and Northville
734-525-4200
www.remericaintegrity.com

EARN EXTRA \$\$\$
Booming Real Estate Office in Livonia and a new office opening in Northville is seeking outgoing Salespeople! Training Available.
Call Robert or Kim at: **734-525-4200**



Novi Meadowbrook Townhomes Condominiums

Conveniently located South of 13 Mile Road West off Meadowbrook Road Easy Access to M 5 and Twelve Oaks Mall

Affordable Pricing Starting at \$229,900

Offering 12 distinct two story floor plans, a few with first floor master suites, 2 & 3 bedroom plans, ceramic baths, 9 ft ceilings on main floor, first and second floor laundry rooms full private basement with rough plumbing for bath, some daylight and walkout sites, 2 car garages, volume ceilings, walkout paths, and low maintenance fee Walled Lake Schools

INCLUDED IN PRICE

- Electric Range
- 21 cu. ft. Refrigerator
- Microwave • Dishwasher • Disposal
- Central Air
- Deck (200 Series Units Only)
- Hardwood Floors in Kitchen and Nook (100 Series Units Only)
- Rough Plumbing in Basement-3 piece (buildings 16, 18, 19, & 21 Only)



For additional information call **248-349-6900 • Brokers Welcome**
Model Hours are Saturday & Sunday 12:00-5:00 pm.
Weekdays 1:00-5:00 pm (Closed Thursday)
www.meadowbrooktownhomes.info
or e-mail jstockton1@aol.com

COLDWELL BANKER PREFERRED, REALTORS®

 <p>IT'S ALL DONE! Interior completely remodeled Light oak kitchen with hardwood floors gracious foyer remodeled baths, new plush carpet new 6 panel doors light fixtures and trim Basement and a huge yard \$222 500 (444BU)</p>	 <p>EXCLUSIVE CONDO Prime private location with a great view of the pond Beautifully updated kitchen finished lower level with Whirlpool & Murphy bed 2 bedrooms and 3 1/2 baths Tons of extras Call Today \$249 900 (011CO)</p>	 <p>GREAT STARTER! Don't miss out on this 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Cape Cod with all of the major updating already done for you Newer windows doorwall furnace hot water heater and roof Huge master on the 2nd floor Corner fenced lot \$154 900 (420EV)</p>	 <p>ATTENTION BOATERS/FISHERMEN Lake Erie open water canal home has just been listed! Brack ranch with 3 beds 2 baths and 2000+ sq ft Beautifully updated and maintained with boat dock two 3500# davits and a steel seawall Park - like yard with deck \$292 900 (222YO)</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH'S BEACON HOLLOW! 2 bedroom 2 bath and living ranch condo! 1st floor laundry unit ranch with gas fireplace eat in kitchen with ample storage attached 2 car garage and space partially finished basement beautifully maintained grounds Immediate occupancy \$229 900 (301PI)</p>	 <p>PRIVATE HILLTOP SETTING Charming setting for this 4 bedroom 2 bath home n desirable Briar Hill 2 fireplaces kitchen with skylights and nook attached garage bonus room could be a home office and a beautiful treed yard with a fenced pool area \$295 000 (932NO)</p>	 <p>LAUREL PARK CONDO 37932 N Laurel Park Dr 2 beds 2 bath cathedral ceilings and a great room w/fireplace Formal dining kitchen w/appliances basement & attached garage Luxurious master Enter Laurel Park Dr off 6 mile or Newburgh to Greenfield Turn Left off Greenfield Dr to condo \$224 000 (932LA)</p>
 <p>GARDEN CITY RANCH Adorable 3 bedroom ranch in a nice area of Garden City Central air updated kitchen and bath and an oversized 2 car garage Nice large lot \$132 500 (619BRO)</p>	 <p>YOU'LL LOVE THE FLAIR Delightful 2 bedroom end unit Ceramic foyer formal living and dining plus a large family room Elegant master with WIC private bath & balcony overlooking a serene setting Finished basement garage and a paver patio \$179 900 (488CO)</p>	 <p>POPULAR SUNFLOWER VILLAGE Yes you can walk to the pool when you own this freshly painted ranch 3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths family room w/fireplace spacious kitchen full basement and an attached garage Updated C/A electrical windows & garage door Act fast! These don't last \$214,900 (240GA)</p>	 <p>BEAUTIFUL END UNIT Great Northville location short walk to downtown 3 beds 2 1/2 baths and 2132 sq ft Living room w/cathedral ceiling & fireplace Kitchen w/doorwall to private deck Master bath w/jetted tub Partially fin LL w/bar & separate workshop A must see \$314 900 (224ST)</p>	 <p>GREAT VALUE FOR TODAY'S MARKET Perfect opportunity in Canton with this 4 bedroom colonial Just a short walk to Hulsing Elementary and a neighborhood park 1800 square feet with an updated windows roof kitchen bath and more \$214 900 (767VE)</p>	 <p>BRICK BEAUTY Wonderful brick cape cod with 4 bedrooms featuring newer windows new carpet and paint throughout a formal dining room living room with natural fireplace full basement and a 2 car garage! \$164 900 (288TE)</p>	 <p>WHAT YOU DESERVE Plymouth 2BR/2BA condo featuring a gas fireplace in living room dining room skylights master with WIC private entry full basement 2 car attached garage pool tennis courts clubhouse and more All the amenities at an excellent price \$167 900 or \$1 450 lease (852PO)</p>
 <p>GREAT NEW BEGINNINGS Start with this 3 bedroom brick bungalow 1312 square feet of living space in move in condition Immediate occupancy is ok Pre approved buyers please \$109 900 (711AS)</p>	 <p>DOWNTOWN CONDO 2 story unit with a private entry 2 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths and 1200 sq ft Living room with ample space for an office area dining room and kitchen Neutral décor throughout Includes all appliances 1st floor laundry and plenty of storage \$134 900 (741DE)</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH HISTORIC FORD HOME Enjoy the old world charm and character of hardwood floors coved ceilings and crown moldings Formal living room w/fireplace formal dining 3 bedrooms 2 baths finished basement and lots of updates Call for details \$219 900 (613NO)</p>	 <p>PARK-LIKE SETTING Rare and wonderful describes this detached condo One story with great room hardwood floors Corian counters privacy daylight basement gas fireplace master suite and less than 2 years new \$349 900 (342PL)</p>	 <p>FIX ME UP! Huge Wayne colonial has excellent potential 4 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths and an oversized 2 1/2 car garage 1647 square feet but needs city work to be done by buyers Great opportunity at a nice price \$119 900 (428SO)</p>	 <p>SURROUNDED BY AN ACRE! Almost 2000 sq ft brick Cape w/ hardwood floors & woodwork T/O HUGE formal dining with coved ceiling & beveled glass door separating the living room Updated roof copper plumbing trim & eaves Oversized engineered septic field Inlaid brick patio \$217 500 (940SA)</p>	 <p>IT'S EVERYONE'S FAVORITE Hurry up to own this very special sprucely kept two story Two car garage security system Large family room w/fireplace soaring cathedral ceilings hardwood flooring Ideal master suite walk in closet laundry room Pantry full appliance package central air and a deck! \$274 900 (975HO)</p>



All Real Estate Companies are not the same

DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE

PROFESSIONALISM • SATISFACTION • RESULTS

Visit us on our Web Site...

www.cbpreferred.com

MORTGAGE FINANCING

We'll beat any lender's price, or pay you \$250* Guaranteed loan decision the same day you apply or we pay you \$250

1-888-895-2536

Toll Free



NORTHVILLE/NOVI
(248) 305-6090

CANTON
(734) 392-6000

FARMINGTON
(248) 478-6022

WESTLAND/GARDEN CITY
(734) 392-6000

PLYMOUTH
(734) 459-6000

LIVONIA
(734) 425-6060

COLDWELL BANKER SCHWEITZER REAL ESTATE

 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$569,900 Stunning Farmington Hills Colonial! Wooded lot backing to 4th green elegant decor 2 way fireplace in hearth rm soaring ceilings Oak floors hot tub 3.5 car garage & more (BGN26AUG) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$4,000,000 First time offered Beautiful Estate! Situated on almost 2 acres 2 terrace decks extensive use of pavers inc driveway gunite pool w/bath house 1.5 car heated garage & loaded w/upgrades (BGM55MYS) 888 870-9123</p>	 <p>BELLEVILLE \$229,700 Nice family home w/4 beds and 3 baths Living room w/vaulted ceilings & fireplace Hardwood floor in kitchen & BRKFST nook lower level w/bedroom & bath Large corner lot w/sprinklers (BGSly40PRE) 888-870 9131</p>	 <p>BRIGHTON \$218,000 Great family home! Great neighborhood Classy decorating Large family room w/Large Bay window deck off kitchen w/ great views of 1 acre lot Nice finished basement won't last long (BGSly53KES) 888-870 9131</p>	 <p>CANTON \$379,900 Fabulous Home on Awesome Lot Backing to wooded commons 3 Season room w/skylights to enjoy the seasons Open floor plan 1st flr den & laundry Huge master suite w/dual fireplace (BGN54WOO) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>CANTON \$379,900 LR FR and den 2 Story Entry & LR W/spiral Staircase Bays In Dining Rm & Den Cathedral Master Suite Gorgeous Covered Paladium Entry Backing To Woods OEL52SIN 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>CANTON \$259,900 Best Buy!! On this 2 year old cape cod style condo with 2000 sq ft full basement & 2 car garage in Plymouth Canton school district Loads of upgrades (BGN21CHE) 888 870 9123</p>	
 <p>CANTON \$244,900 Golf Course Community 2 Bdrm 2.5 Bath Brk Condo Kit W/oak Cab & All Appls Dwalls To Lg Deck overlooking Woods/Pond Mstr Ste W/cath Ceil WIC & Jet Tub Full Bsmt 2 Car Gar OEL76HOG 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>CANTON \$219,900 Attention Large Families! All this sq footage for under 220k Largest lot in the sub w/full grown arbuties surrounding the patio for privacy Original owners had this well kept home built (BGN16HAR) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>DETROIT \$129,900 Very Nice 3 Br Colonial W/a FR Lg LR W/frpl Hdwd T/O Seller Will Pay \$1500 Towards Closing Costs Buyer To Sign ACR One Year Home Warranty OEL51VAU 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>DETROIT \$93,500 Well Maintained Bungalow In Warrendale! Move In Condition In Neutral Decor Updates Newer Carpeting porch driveway awnings CA HWH Lg Master Bdrm inc Sitting Room/office Large 2 1/2 Car Garage OEL68PLA 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>DETROIT \$79,900 Remodeled Kitchen W/Ceramic Floor & Backsplash New Cabinets Natural FP In LR 2 Car Garage Seller Financing And Other Incentives Available OEL24ELM 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>DETROIT \$69,900 Outstanding 4 Bdrm 1 Full Bath & 2 Half Baths Updates Roof(ear Off) W/new Plywood Under Shingles Vinyl Trim Gutters Kitchen W/Oak Cabinets Ceiling & Flooring Fresh Paint T/O Fnsht Bsmt OEL88ORE 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON \$330,000 Walk to this Stunning Cape Cod! W/1st floor master All neutral maintained to perfection Gourmet kitchen w/sitting area 1st floor laundry deck hwh vaulted ceilings (BGN40LON) 888 870 9123</p>	
 <p>FARMINGTON \$159,900 Cozy & Charming! 3br 2 full bath ranch on a dble lot Private master bdrm area 3 season room overlooks lage fenced yard All appliances stay incl washer & dryer (BGN15FLO) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$430,000 Gracious Floor Plan! Serene wooded setting! Beautiful FR w/ cathedral ceiling & fieldstone frpl Updates furnace AC hwh roof many windows Formal LR & DR Home boasts lib (BGN21BD) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$235,000 Extra Ordinary! Upgrades galore 1872 sq ft kitchen w/hardwood floor formal living/dining room family room w/custom fieldstone fireplace 1st floor laundry 83 acre shed (BGN50DEW) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$159,000 Spacious 2br 2 bath Ranch Condo! W/bsmt Prime end unit w/extra large living room w/ fireplace & kitchen Many windows for superb light exposure Looks brand new Metculous! (BGN80EIG) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$139,000 Move right into your new home Newer roof updated kitchen finished basement land scaped yard privacy fence Very clean home (BGSly09COL) 888 870 9131</p>	 <p>FARMINGTON HILLS \$122,000 Prime condo in Versailles place w/ deck overlooking trees & commons Updates Bilt in bookcases ceramic flng @ entry bath W/limestone counter & fr kit w/ceramic fr granite counters frml DR Assoc Fee incl heat & H2O OEL57SHI 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>GARDEN CITY \$169,900 Beautiful updated brick ranch With everything you've been looking for! Open floor plan great for entertaining 3br 2 car garage full finished basement New kitchen bath windows etc (BGSly80DOV) 888 870 9131</p>	
 <p>LIVONIA \$229,900 Your Private Resort! 3 Bdrm 2 Full Bath Brick Cape Cod LR W/frpl Kitchen W/ceramic Fir Island Oak Cabinets & Appliances Lg FR 1/2 acrea lot W/Bball Ct 1st F Laundry OEL21GRA 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>LIVONIA \$174,900 Low Traffic Much Desired Location 3BR 2BA brick ranch w/ fin bsmt & oversized 2 car garage Newer wndws & roof Fin bsmt w/ full bath CA attc fan Fenced yard Hdwd firs in Lv Rm & Dn Rm Hurry OEP 53Ang 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>LIVONIA \$169,500 The Word Awesome fits this Home! 3br 1.5 bath finished basement w/wetbar & so much more waits for you Professionally landscaped yard w/deck A must see Many updates (BGN01HAT) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>MILFORD \$509,900 1.62 Acres Pristine 2 Story Contemporary backing To Woods 4 Brs 3.5 Baths & 1st Floor Mstr Ste W/skylts Professionally Fn Bsmt Prov'ing An Add 1 400 Sqft OEL67HER 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>NORTHVILLE \$499,900 Panoramic View of Natures Truly outstanding colonial Heavily wooded private ct settng 2 story LR & FR w/gas FP Lux mstr ste w/ H's & Her w/cs Lght brgt kitchen 1st fr Study OEP 7688e 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>NORTHVILLE \$269,000 Enjoy your privacy Brick & stone ranch very cozy living room w th natural fireplace and bay window Knotty pine den gorgeous yard w th gunite pool (BGSly20MAI) 888 870 9131</p>	 <p>NOVI \$439,900 Better than new custom brick Cape Cod On 1/2 acre w/3.5 car garage 4 br 3.5 baths gourmet island kitchen w/granite counters and butler's pantry to dining room 1st fr mstr (BGSly50IRO) 888 870 9 31</p>	
 <p>PINCKNEY \$184,900 Great open floor plan Vaulted ceilings and pergo flooring Large master BR natural fireplace in greatroom oak kitchen cabinet 43 acre lot with lake access to Rush Lake (BGSly73CRE) 888 870 9131</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$629,900 Country Club Village! Executive home on estate size lot HDWD firs spacious kit w/Hearth Rm Cherry cabs, Corian cnts 5 BR 1 on 1st floor 4 up 4.5 BA 4 car garage Walk out lower level OEP 11Fel 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$497,500 New const on small lake w/ stonecast FP cherry cbnt granite cnts Custom mlds & trim Brazilian hdwd firs Ceramic BA & laundry 4BR 2.5BA daylight bsmt OEP 78lro 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$419,900 Be one with Nature on 2.6 Wooded Acres! Huge kitchen & informal dining room Lrg great room w/cozy fireplace Andressen windows new siding many upgrades Hurry on this beauty (BGN64MAR) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$362,500 Location is Everything! Fine neighborhood & pleasant walk to town & schools Favorite flr plan w/oversized FR adjacent to lg open kit adapts nicely to todays lifestyles Fin bsmt w/lg workshop OEP 73Bea 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$334,900 Private Paradise! 3 BR 2 BA immaculate ranch updated beyond belief FP w/handcrafted custom cherry mantle Charming yr round rm w/tongue & groove cedar walls Perennials enhance the lot OEP 25Rid 888 870 9127</p>	<p>Vacant Land</p>	
 <p>PLYMOUTH \$219,900 Cutest house in Plymouth! 2 BR 2 BA bungalow w/amazing updates 2nd flr BA w/Jacuzzi & shower Newer win elec kit fur CA roof driveway laminate fir & new carpet Walk to downtown (OEP33EVE)</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$200,000 Holiday Shopping? Fabulous Home w/ceramic tile foyer updated kitchen open to living finished lower level hdwd in all bdrms 2.5 car garage huge fenced yard WOW! (BGN49SPI) 888 870 9123</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$199,900 Choice location! Close to x ways & shopping Beautiful newer kit and baths Large sunroom off back & large lot Updated roof windows CA siding appliance Great open floor plan (BGSly72BRE) 888 870 9131</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH \$184,900 Price of Ownership! Condo located in popular Plymouth Pointe Light bright & open w/2 skylights 2 BR each with own bath Marble surround FP in large LR Wonderful kitchen & FDR Att gar OEP 64Pol 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>PLYMOUTH 164,900 Stunningly Updated! Warm & cozy bright & open! Newer windows roof gourmet kitchen carpet laminate floor & new bath All on spacious fenced yard w/ large deck! OEP 48 Mar 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>REDFORD \$57,500 Redford Condo Ground Level Low Assoc Fee Inc Heat Water Lg Mstr Bdrm W WIC Common Pool Extra Storage & Laundry Comm Bsmt Immed Occ or Short Term Lease Available OEL20JOY 888 870 9105</p>	 <p>SOUTH LYON \$237,000 Beautiful condo with open floor plan Basement is finished with spare family room and large workroom/storage area First floor master and laundry Good buy (BGSly07EVE) 888 870 9131</p>	
<p>Vacant Land</p>	 <p>SOUTH LYON \$124,900 Prime location perfect for country estate 2.50 acres natural gas & electricity on property Recent perk Ready to build Conveniently located (BGSlyVLSEV) 888 870 9131</p>	 <p>SOUTH LYON \$109,900 Adult 55+Coop Gorgeous end unit Move in condition Beautifully maintained All appl stay LL 3rd BR Fireplace in LL Florida rm for added enjoyment Inground pool & clubhouse (BGSly05CON) 888 870-9131</p>	 <p>WEST BLOOMFIELD \$164,000 Open floor plan great for entertaining! Beautiful 2 BR 2 BA w/garage condo Cathedral ceiling & recessed lighting in GR DR & Kitchen Neutral decor t/o In unit laundry (BGSly20RID) 888 870 9131</p>	 <p>WESTLAND \$224,900 A real charmer! 3 BR 2 BA colonial which could be 4 to 5 BR's Built ins & wood detail t/o 4 FP incl 1 in huge mstr ste Newer win w/Andersn on 1st fr kit overlooks GR/DR w/bath cnts Prv bykd w/covered deck (OEP15FER)</p>	 <p>WESTLAND \$162,500 Beautiful 2 bedroom 1.5 bath condo close to everything! Bright & neutral w/large kitchen breakfast room LR w/fireplace & fin LL Mstr BR has huge walk in closet Pic settings w/ private deck (OEP19HUN)</p>	 <p>WESTLAND \$126,500 Gorgeous Ranch! 2 BR w/all updating done! Newer roof vinyl win fur hwh AC kit int drs & updated electrical New Pergo fir n LR & kit Neutral carpet in BR Front/Back Doors OEL90HAT 60Gle 888 870 9127</p>	 <p>LIVONIA 3 Bedroom Brick Ranch Updated Kit W/oak Cab Sink Counters & Floor Bath Fixtures Neutral Carpet throughout Wind Furn Plumb Glass Block Wind Elect Front/Back Doors OEL90HAT 888 870 9105</p>
 <p>Tricha Kneading Northville/Novi 248 847-3050</p>	 <p>Pam Danaher South Lyon/Milford 248 437 4500</p>	 <p>Neal Lanphear Plymouth 734-453 6800</p>	 <p>Dave Owens Livonia 734-591 0333</p>	<p>Thinking of changing careers or offices? Why not join the Number One Coldwell Banker Schweitzer team in Michigan and the Midwest Region Call for an outstanding career opportunity</p>	<p>Phone In, Move In</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ A same day mortgage decision or we'll pay you \$250* ☐ To meet your requested closing date or we'll reduce your interest rate by 1/8th of one percent for the life of the loan* ☐ To beat any lender's price GUARANTEED or pay you \$500** <p>1-888-767-8616</p> <p><small>*Approved conventional purchase loans only **Subject to verification of lender's price and other restrictions.</small></p>	<p>COLDWELL BANKER MORTGAGE</p>	

Livonia Office – 734-591-0333 • Northville Office – 248-347-3050
 • Plymouth – 734-453-6800 • South Lyon 248-437-4500

Ann Arbor • Birmingham • Clarkston • Bloomfield Hills • Farmington Hills/W. Bloomfield • Grosse Pointe Hill • Grosse Pointe Woods • Lakes • Livonia • The Macomb Center • Northville • Plymouth • South Lyon • Troy

All ads run online
FREE! A value of
up to \$87.00



Observer & Eccentric

Classified

Ask about
our NEW
**HOT LINK
SERVICE**
www.hometownlife.com

0001-2450
**Home & Service
Guide**

3000-3890
**Real Estate
For Sale**

3890-3980
**Commercial
Industrial**

4000-4980
**Real Estate
Rent/Lease**

5000-5980
**Employment
Instruction Services**

6000-6980
Announcements

7000-7780
Merchandise

7110-7130
**Garage and
Moving Sale**

7800-7980
**Animals
Pets/Livestock**

8000-8780
**Automotive
Recreational Vehicles**

Place your ad toll free at
1-800-579-SELL



Walk-In Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Fax your ad: 734-953-2232

Publication Day SUNDAY PAPER.....5:00PM Friday
THURSDAY PAPER.....5:30PM Tuesday



Too Late To Classifieds...

If you missed our regular Tuesday deadline for Thursday's publication, you can now call us 'til Wednesday at 11am and place your ad in our "Too Late To Classified" Section.
Look for this to appear in Section C of the paper!
Let us work for you!

On-line at www.hometownlife.com • E-Mail Us: oads@oe.homecomm.net

**3000's
Real Estate**

3000	Homes	3405	Stockbridge/Unadilla Gregory
3030	Open Houses	3410	Troy
3040	Ann Arbor	3415	Unim Lake
3043	Auburn Hills	3420	Waterford
3045	Beller Isle & Van Buren	3423	Waterford
3050	Birmingham Bloomfield	3424	Wayne
3055	Bloomfield	3430	West Bloomfield
3060	Brighton	3440	Waterford
3070	Byron	3420	Waterford
3080	Canton	3423	Waterford
3090	Cla Keston	3424	Wayne
3100	Cohoclah	3430	Westerville
3110	Dearborn	3440	West Bloomfield
3115	Dea born Hg s	3445	Westland
3120	Detroit	3450	White Lake
3130	Chester	3460	White Lake
3135	Dexter	3470	Westland
3140	Farmington	3480	Westland
3145	Farmington Hills	3490	Westland
3150	Fenton	3500	Westland
3155	Ferndale	3510	Westland
3160	Fowlerville	3515	Westland
3170	Garden City	3520	Westland
3180	Grosse Pointe	3530	Westland
3190	Hamburg	3540	Westland
3200	Hartland	3550	Westland
3210	Highland	3560	Westland
3220	Holly	3570	Westland
3230	Howell	3580	Westland
3234	Huntington Woods	3590	Westland
3235	Keego Harbor	3600	Westland
3240	Lake Orion	3610	Westland
3245	Lathrup Village	3620	Westland
3240	Livonia	3630	Westland
3250	Livonia	3640	Westland
3260	Milford	3650	Westland
3265	Monroe	3660	Westland
3270	New Hudson	3670	Westland
3280	Northville	3680	Westland
3290	Novi	3690	Westland
3300	Oak Grove	3700	Westland
3305	Oak Park	3710	Westland
3310	Oron Township	3720	Westland
3315	Oxford Lake	3730	Westland
3320	Oxford	3740	Westland
3325	Perry	3750	Westland
3330	Plymouth	3760	Westland
3335	Plymouth	3770	Westland
3340	Plymouth	3780	Westland
3345	Plymouth	3790	Westland
3350	Plymouth	3800	Westland
3355	Plymouth	3810	Westland
3360	Plymouth	3820	Westland
3365	Plymouth	3830	Westland
3370	Plymouth	3840	Westland
3375	Plymouth	3850	Westland
3380	Plymouth	3860	Westland
3385	Plymouth	3870	Westland
3390	Plymouth	3880	Westland
3400	Plymouth	3890	Westland

Open Houses 3080

LIVONIA SCHOOLS Open Sun 14 8200 Henry Ruff Rd 3 bed brick ranch new furnace windows & kitchen 2 car garage \$199 900 Photos & details @www.hmo.com id # 17559 Call 734 788 0251

Northville
OPEN SUN 2 5pm
16721 W Lyonhurst Cir S/6 Mile E/Beck immaculate 1938 sq ft condo 2 bed 2.5 bath finished bsmt & 2 car attached garage \$324 900
GAIL TURNER
(248) 873 0087
(248) 348 6430 x265
Real Estate One

NOVI OPEN SUN
Feb 29 12 4pm 26395 Fedstone s and Lake of Nov Arbors Condos 3 bed finished bsm Loaded wth upgrades 248 722 7275

PLYMOUTH OPEN HOUSE
140 S UNION
SUN FEB 22nd 3 5 30pm
Beautiful new home in walking distance to downtown Plymouth 2600 Sq ft gourmet kitchen hickory floors floor to ceiling fireplace Open Floor Plan Refreshments served

SANDY FERCHO
734 420 3400 x139
REMERICA
HOMETOWN ONE

REDFORD OPEN SUN 1 4
15517 Wakenden N of 5 Mile W of Beech Daly Clean 3 bed 1.5 bath bungalow Bsmt 2.5 car garage hardwood floors & more! \$126 900 (17WAK)

REMERICA
INTEGRITY REALTORS
(734) 825-4200
www.remericaintegrity.com

ROYAL OAK Open Sat & Sun
12 5 totally remodeled move in cond over 2000 sq ft of living space 3 bed rooms 2 full baths finished basement/w/ bar and many more amenities \$264 000 2522 Fermeiff just N of Webster between Crooks and Woodward (248) 435 5536

SALEM TWP
Completely updated ranch home on 2 acres Low taxes Everything new Open Sat & Sun 10 10 5217 7 Mile Rd 248 486 4616 248 721 2506

WESTLAND
remodeled 2 bedroom house 29 acre lot Open Sun 12 34615 Glen \$110 000 (734) 812 9884

Westland
OPEN SUNDAY 1 4
7082 Timbendge Trail Overbrook Sub N/Warren W/Hix Just listed Open Sat & Sun 10 10 5217 7 Mile Rd Excellent condition colonial built in 1993 Upgraded windows First floor laundry Basement rough plumbed for full bath Side entry garage and SW exposure
ERIC RADER
734 355 0600
Real Estate One
38705 7 Mile Livonia

Beverly Hills 3049

BEVERLY HILLS
On cul de sac 3 313 sq ft home w/finished bsmt & 2 car garage w/workshop Living room & dining room w/bay windows Family room w/fireplace has French doors that open to year round sun porch Kitchen has cherry cabinets w/Coran counters & all appliances 4 beds including 2001 addition of fabulous master ste w/2 walk in closets & glamour bath Some hardwood floors C/A \$489 900 (SU311)
Century 21
Century 21 Today
(248) 855 2000
www.centu_y21today.com

Birmingham 3050

BEVERLY HILLS 3 bed ranch on 1 acre site C/A fireplace bsmt garage \$364 900 ShareNet (248) 642 1820

Quarton Lake Estates
Designer perfect 1928 Tudor w/4 bed & 4 baths Finished lower level \$1 245 000
Call Joy Morris
(248) 644 3500
Hall & Hunter

Bloomfield 3055

3 bed ranch finished bsmt lake privileges \$305 000
Call John Wiesner 248 752 3200 Great Lakes Properties

BEAUTIFUL
4 bedroom 2.5 bath living room with cathedral ceilings formal dining room family room with fireplace wet bar 2.5 car garage French doors to deck Paver patio Updates include windows roof and more \$279 900
Century 21 Hartford North
734-525-9600

Bloomfield 3055

OPEN SUN 1 4
7179 LEYLAND CT
BLOOMFIELD HILLS
N of 14 MI W of Franklin

PRIME CUL DE SAC
Great room w/marble fireplace sunroom master bedroom w/oversized bath/Jacuzzi & walk in closet 5 bed 1 w/loft 4 full & 2 half baths Kitchen w/2 Sub Zeros & granite s and finished over level w/kitchenette sprts/computer room Yard w/patio stone walled pool & sports court Birmingham Schools \$955 000
CRANBROOK ASSOC INC
248 626 8700

CLASSIFIEDS WORK!
1 800 579 7355

Shows Like a New Home!
Beautiful spacious 5 bed multi level upscale sub Bloomfield Hills Schools Immed occupancy \$312 000
Call Dr B Sunny Taylor
248 851 6946 ext 440
Real Estate One

Brighton 3060

Open Sun Feb 29 1 4pm
THE PERFECT SPOT! 1 acre paved road easy expressway access! Wonderful 2130 sq ft 1 1/2 story home offers 3 bedrooms 3.5 baths main floor master suite main living and family room formal dining room finished walkout basement with kitchenette area bonus room over garage could be additional bedroom Brighton Schools \$279 900 Take Kensington Road North of Jacoby to Stobart Following open signs to 12900 Stobart Road
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9580 810 634 7427

CASTLETON 3080

COLONIAL 2600 sq ft 4 b d 2 2 bat ota y pdat ac n ovey McNetye Sub \$235 000 734 844 2133

EXCELLENT VALUE
In this 2 unit multi family home w/ a bsmt and over 1 600 sq ft \$125 900

PLYMOUTH/CANTON SCHOOLS
3 Bed brick ranch w/ a finished bsmt 2 car garage newer windows & doors \$192 900

ABSOLUTELY BORGEIOUS
4 Bed home with a lg family room fireplace totally updated kitchen 2 car garage doorw/ to deck & much more \$219 900

CASTELLI
(734) 525 7900
Serving the area for 29 yrs

RANCHO 3 bed 1.5 bath Move in cond Finished bsmt updated bsmt see Open Sun 12 6 43465 Gen Dr \$198 500 734 634 8472

Brighton 3060

OPEN SUN Feb 29 1 4pm
THE PERFECT SPOT! 1 acre paved road easy expressway access! Wonderful 2130 sq ft 1 1/2 story home offers 3 bedrooms 3.5 baths main floor master suite main living and family room formal dining room finished walkout basement with kitchenette area bonus room over garage could be additional bedroom Brighton Schools \$279 900 Take Kensington Road North of Jacoby to Stobart Following open signs to 12900 Stobart Road
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9580 810 634 7427

CASTLETON 3080

COLONIAL 2600 sq ft 4 b d 2 2 bat ota y pdat ac n ovey McNetye Sub \$235 000 734 844 2133

EXCELLENT VALUE
In this 2 unit multi family home w/ a bsmt and over 1 600 sq ft \$125 900

PLYMOUTH/CANTON SCHOOLS
3 Bed brick ranch w/ a finished bsmt 2 car garage newer windows & doors \$192 900

ABSOLUTELY BORGEIOUS
4 Bed home with a lg family room fireplace totally updated kitchen 2 car garage doorw/ to deck & much more \$219 900

CASTELLI
(734) 525 7900
Serving the area for 29 yrs

RANCHO 3 bed 1.5 bath Move in cond Finished bsmt updated bsmt see Open Sun 12 6 43465 Gen Dr \$198 500 734 634 8472

Dearborn Heights 3115

CRESTWOOD SCHOOLS
5673 Fenton 2 3 bed many updates \$114 900 (313) 300 6874

N Dearborn Hgts CUTE 2
bed Doll House All new updates 1 (PRICE) REALTY 313 292 2072

NORTH DEARBORN HTS
Dearborn Schools 3 bed 1.5 bath A/C finished bsmt w/gas fireplace 2.5 car garage upgrades \$153 500 (313) 277 3417

Farmington 3140

FARMINGTON
This 3 bed oom brick ranch offers 1215 sq ft of one floor vng attached garage and a fenced in The living room has a vaulted ceiling French doors to a patio and a wood stove Roomy white kitchen den plus a bath and lav 30156 F nk \$159 900
SELLER REAL ESTATE
Office (734)522 0830
Pager (313)201 2122

Farmington Hills 3145

Brick Ranch 3 bed 1 bath \$1125/mo Also for lease \$1125/mo 248 930 8553

COMMONS LOT on th s 2 198 sq ft 4 bed 2.5 bath colonial w/full partially finished basement newer windows 30 yr roof furnace & garage doors quick occupancy 2 car side entry garage & tons more CALL KEN GENTILE Quality GMAC (734) 542 2538 or Cell (734) 988 7213

For the best auto classifications check out the Observer & Eccentric Newspaper It's all about RESULTS!

Classifieds Work!

Century 21 Chalet

KAREN STATER

WESTLAND
Livonia schools! Spacious 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Condo Newer oak kitchen w th app accents Attached garage
Nice s 26 deck w th private fence Semi finished basement
\$154,900

LIVONIA
JUST REDUCED! Nearly new 2 bedroom Condo Clean open and neutral Attached garage basement and fireplace
Priced for quick sale
All appliances included
\$174,900

DETROIT
Three bedroom home Many updates remodeled kitchen & bath Character & charm Updates include windows roof driveway furnace roof carpet & paint Fireplace formal din ng & 2 car garage Part finished basement
\$115,000

LIVONIA
Over 1 300 square feet Livonia Ranch on 1/2 acre Character & charm Updates include windows roof ectrical and plumbing Family room w th fireplace
\$167,500

OPEN SUNDAY 1 4 • 3218 Vermont

DEARBORN HEIGHTS
More than 1 400 square foot Ranch Remodeled kitchen w th built in KitchenAid appliances & cab nets copper plumbing electric energy efficient furnace CA L.R FR w th r fireplace & above ground pool
\$135,900

LIVONIA
Fantast c States Streets brick Ranch Very clean & well maintained 3 bedroom full basement 2+ car garage w th work shop updated kitchen w thwds electric sprinkler system & great deck in back yard
\$172,500

REAL ESTATE CAREER INTERVIEWS
WEDNESDAYS 6:30 P.M.

REDFORD
3 bedroom Bungalow with basement & one car garage Newer windows furnace hot water heater & electric copper plumbing Hardwood floors under carpet Close to elementary school New front steel entry door & storm One year home warranty
\$115,900

FERNDALE
One look is all it takes on th s beautiful move in condition 3 bedroom 1 bath home w th a lot of updates Util ty room with built in cabinets Enjoy your beautiful brick patio with privacy fence
Immed ale occupancy
\$124,900

3900-3980
Commercial/Industrial

3900	Business Opportunities	3940	Industrial & Warehouse For Sale
3910	Business/Professional Building	3950	Office Business For Lease
3920	Commercial/Retail For Lease	3955	Office Space For Sale
3930	Income Property For Sale	3960	Commercial & Industrial For Lease
3935	Industrial & Warehouse For Lease	3970	Investment Property
		3980	Land

1-800-579-SELL

3000-3890
Real Estate For Sale

Open Houses 3080

CANTON OPEN SUN 12 4
Colonial 6972 Camelot 4 bed 2.5 bath 2 car garage bsmt updated \$279 000 734 516 8367

HOWELL New development custom built 1.5 story 4br main master 2.5 baths Gift walkout Open Sun 12 5 1222 Springwood Crt sacri face \$271 900 517 546 1989

LIVONIA OPEN SUN 2 5
BURTON HOLLOW SUB S/6 Mile Take Riverside to 16029 Alpine 4 bedrooms 2.5 bath colonial with attached 2 car garage (248) 347 0997

LIVONIA OPEN SUN 1 4
Gorgeous ranch 3 bed 1 bath garage fenced yard Approx 1300 sq ft 15016 Santa Anita W of Inkster/ S of 5 Mile \$145 000 (734) 776 3376

LIVONIA OPEN HOUSE
15640 Nola Circle Bluegrass Farms Saturday Feb 28 1 00 3 00 \$261 000 Below Appraised Value Clean & neutral 4 bed Colonial with many upgrades

Homes 3000

DEER IN YOUR BACK YARD!
2300 sq ft 3 bed 4 wooded acres w/stream 2 baths sunken living room cathedral ceilings fireplace huge kitchen formal dining room wibar room Custom painted interior attached 2.5 garage full bsmt Beautiful Hillside county MI \$199 000 517 487 7743 Principals only no agents!

Open Houses 3080

CANTON OPEN SUN 1 6
43863 Brandywine S of Joy E off Sheldon 4 bed 1.5 bath colonial 1765 sq ft Com pletely updated \$247 000 734 455 5784

HEY!
Our Classified Department is ready to take your ad at 8:00 a.m. 800-579-SELL (7355)

BLOOMFIELD

\$349 900 COLONIAL
Well maintained center entrance colonial offers over 2 300 sq ft 4 bed 2.5 bath & finished bsmt w/fitness room Spacious living room formal dining room library & family room w/natural fireplace Updates include remodeled kitchen & baths replacement windows steel entry drs hardwood floors & more! (RA565)

\$299 900 RANCHO
Best price available for sharp 3 bed 3 full & 2 half bath ranch on corner lot Spacious living room w/gas fireplace L shapes into larger dining room which opens to family room w/cathedral ceiling Eat in kitchen w/pass thru counter to family room lg master ste 2 car attached garage Beach privileges on Wing Lake (W0629)

Century 21
Century 21 Today
(248)647-8888
www.century21today.com

"It's All About Results"
Observer & Eccentric Classifieds

Fair Housing Your Right, Our Business

As members of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, the METROPOLITAN CONSOLIDATED ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® is proud of our contributions in support of the Fair Housing Act and other Fair Housing Compliance programs

Our REALTORS® have led the housing industry in promoting fair housing and are committed to opening the door of your choice

FAIR HOUSING OPENS DOORS
REALTORS ARE THE KEY

AMERA MORTGAGE CORPORATION

FREE Pre-Approvals "0 DOWN"
Call Today For More Information!

PAUL RICHER
AVP/Branch Manager

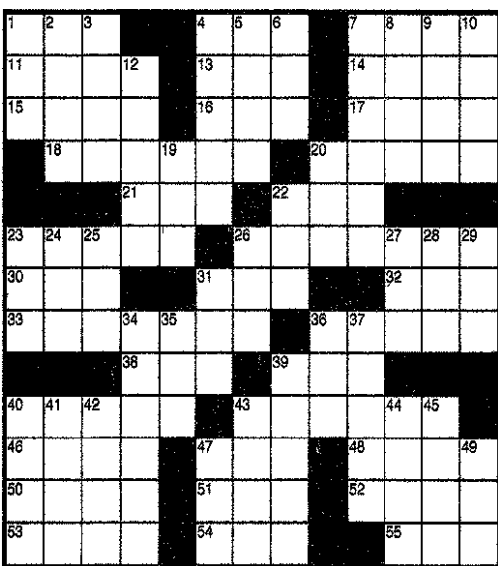
Pager: (810) 595-6700 (734) 462-2771



CROSSWORD PUZZLER

ACROSS
43 Scribbled down
1 Ashen
4 Conifer
48 Fairy tale word
7 Faint
11 Fuel cartel
13 Police blotter
14 TV's Hawkkeye
15 Genesis hunter
16 Beatty or Buntline
17 Kill as a dragon
18 Science of light
20 Embarrassment
21 Anger
22 Fish eggs
23 Glossy
26 Wood trim
30 Herd of whales
31 Watch pocket
32 Membership dues
33 Vienna locale
36 Flavor
38 Evil eye
39 Financial mag
40 Throbbled

Today's Answers
1 SCRIBBLED
2 DOWN
3 WAVE
4 ASHEN
5 CONIFER
6 FAIRY
7 FAINT
8 FUEL
9 POLICE
10 HAWKEYE
11 GENESIS
12 BEATTY
13 BUNTLINE
14 DRAGON
15 SCIENCE
16 EMBARRASSMENT
17 ANGER
18 FISH
19 GLOSSY
20 WOOD
21 WHALES
22 WATCH
23 MEMBERSHIP
24 VIENNA
25 FLAVOR
26 EVIL
27 FINANCIAL
28 THROBBLED



REALTOR Compliments of the MCAR
Metropolitan Consolidated Association of Realtors
STUMPED? Call for Answers • Touch-tone or Rotary phones
95¢ per minute • 1-900-454-3535 ext code 708

Livonia 3250
MINT COLONIAL
Stonelight Village 3 bedrooms
large family room ceramic tile
foyer and kitchen sprinkler
system 2 car attached garage
Move in & enjoy \$247 900
Century 21 Hartford North
734 525 9600

NEW CUSTOM 3 bed 2.5
bath brick ranch 1850 sq ft
Floor open floor plan
w/replace 1st floor laundry
& pantry attached garage
5/Farmington Must sacrifice
\$330 000 (734) 451 6879

WOODBURY PARK
4 bedroom cape cod 1st
floor master wooded lot
3000 sq ft 2.5 bath built
in 1997 Loaded w/extras
Freshly painted \$489 000
734 464 8774 for appt

ADORABLE 3 bedroom ranch
w/price finished basement &
bathroom Great area close to
downtown attached garage
and hardwood floors
\$169 900 (16SH)

MINI HORSE FARM ranch
home on hilly ravine! Many
updates heating bath &
kitchen floor Horse barn
w/ice stalls water and heat
pole barn 40x30 al on 3.17
acres \$284 900 (72MA)

YOUR LAST chance to steal
this house! All new inside &
out 3 br 2 bath 1 946sq ft
on 2 acres 1 mile to school &
Village of Milford Priced to
sell at \$249 900 488 Rowe
Call for appt (734)377 7529

AFFORDABLE NORTHVILLE
4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial
completely updated granite
kitchen & fireplace By Owner
\$342 900 (734) 420 8132

BY OWNER
4 bed colonial w thin walking
distance to Downtown Too
many updates to mention
1075900 Open Sun 1 4pm
\$236 Jeffrey Dr 248 924 2429

Wanda Schaffer
CENTURY 21 ROW
(734) 464-7111 ext 214

LIVONIA
\$269 900 RAISED
RANCH
Sharp 4 bed 2 bath home
w/replace w/contemporary
flair Huge family room
w/fireplace opens to
paver patio w/retractable
electric awning Oak
kitchen has dining area
w/built in 12 buffet C/A
Many updates 2 car side
entry garage (FA162)

\$224 900 2-STORY
Character abounds in
this 4 bed 2 bath Tudor
style home Living room
w/replace dining room
& updated kitchen w/
cherrywood cabinets &
all appliances Hardwood
floors thru out Part
finished bsmt has
additional bed & bath
C/A 2 car garage A little
TLC needed (ME113)

\$189 900
CONTEMPORARY
Great location & great sq
footage in this 3 bed 1.5
bath home Living room
w/studio ceiling Family
room Kitchen w/all
appliances & doorwall to
fenced backyard New
C/A & new carpet & fresh
paint thru out (OS192)

LIVONIA BARGAIN
1840 sq ft custom ranch
with full finished basement
Large 1/2 acre lot 3 bed
room family room dining
room new kitchen 2 1/2 car
garage Priced to sell
\$235 000 734 421 5679

LOTS OF HOUSE
For the money! 1541 Sq ft
plus 519 sq ft family room! 3
Bed s 1+2 baths w/ attached
2 car garage on private extra
wide lot Cul de sac location
RE/MAX 100 (248) 348 3000
THE FIRESTONE TEAM
www.LivingInLivon.com

REDFORD
Immediate Occupancy
Great location near park!
Spacious 3 bed burglar
low has it all! Ceramic
bath hardwood floors &
fresh paint thru out
Huge master bed w/
walk in closet Newer
roof furnace & windows
w/ custom trim New drs
Bsm \$114 700 (OL184)

Century 21 Today
(313)538-2000
www.century21today.com

Rochester 3360
OAKLAND TWP Large war
ranted home 5 1/2 wooded
acres w/pool 3850 sq ft
\$390 000 248 652 1300

OPEN SUN 1 4
639 Parkland Dr Charming
brick ranch 1750 sq ft
Open layout cathedral ceiling
& replace backs to secluded
woods 3 bed 2.5 bath
\$269 900 (248) 656 7113

HIGHEST BIDDER
22230 Maplewood 5 of 9
Mile W of Beach Sprawling
2000+ sq ft ranch 1 acre
lot 3 bedrooms 1.5 baths
many updates \$129 900 or
best reasonable offer
Inspection Feb 28 & 29
11am 4pm Will be sold
Sunday night to Highest
Bidder (248)848 3005

ERA
A Meritage Realty

STUNNING 3 BED Cape
Cod located on 1.3 acre
Large space for gardening
work & play Natural
fireplace hardwood floors
in living & dining rooms
breakfast & family rooms
Newer windows roof Home
Warranty \$183 800

APPEALING
CONTEMPORARY
Immaculate 4 bed 2.5
bath home in exquisite
area Master suite w/bath
Hardwood floors in family
room w/fireplace Spacious
living & dining rooms
updates windows dining
c/a & much more Circular
driveway \$269 900

INVESTORS SPECIAL
Must sell & close in 30
days! Large home in
desirable location near
downtown Wooded 4 bed
2.5 bath Great location
\$260 600

SHARP 3 BED RANCH in
desirable area of Southfield
Open & spacious floor plan
Updates marble tile in
living & dining rooms
Hardwood 4 bed 2.5 bath
Great location
\$260 600

Three bed brick ranch on
3/4 acre lot 2 1/2 car garage
w/ natural fireplace living
and family room first floor
laundry Pergo floors and
newer carpet basement and 2
car attached garage Tyrone
Township \$232 900
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9560 810 632 7427

BEAUTIFUL TROY COLONIAL
4 Bed 3.5 bath see picture
www.hmo.com d417424
248 251 0086

Avoid Real Estate
Commissions
1 8 77 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

It's no gamble
when you
advertise in
The Observer &
Eccentric
Classifieds!

Avoid Real Estate
Commissions
1 877 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

Absolutely Ideal for
Large Family
Beautiful spacious 5 bed
mult level in upscale sub
Bloomfield Hills Schools
\$5000 seller rebate \$328 000!
Call Dr B Sunny Taylor
248 851 6946 ext 440
Real Estate One...

QUICK OCCUPANCY
4 bedroom Cape Cod on 4
acre w/2 car garage \$234 900
MIKE HEATH 734 462 3600
Re/MAX Alliance

QUIET PEACEFUL SETTING
3 bedroom 2.5 bath 2100 sq
ft colonial 2 car attached
garage 45138 Pinetree
Shelton & Ann Arbor Rd
\$329 900 734 502 2815

FIRST OFFERING
Sharp ranch 2 spacious bed
rooms large living room
finished basement many
updates screened in porch
ideal location \$99 900

NEW ON MARKET
2 bedrooms in this cute
bungalow nice double lot
14x14 living room family
room with natural fireplace
patio 2 car garage \$114 900

Century 21Nada, Inc
248 477 9800

JUST REDUCED! This
maintenance free brick ranch
is ready & waiting w/many
updates including newer
furnace c/a roof water heater
windows kitchen & more!
Huge deck leading to a 16x32
paved pool This is a well
maintained home with a great
location + a Home Warranty!
\$144 900 Call George
Gooding at (734) 542 2543
Quality GMAC Real Estate

Westland 3445
RANCH 3 Bed 2 bath Vault
ed ceilings throughout 2 story
layer ceramic baths lower
level walk out Beautifully
decorated \$174 900
CALL PATTY HAWLEY
734 459 6222

RE/MERICA
HOMETOWN

White Lake 3450
DOCK'S IN!
Will you be? Tempting 4
bedroom 2 bath home on
almost 2 acres fronting
deep clean spring fed
pond Family room at
tached garage Huron
Valley Schools Swim and
fish! \$224 500
(248) 887 6900
FIRST AMERICAN

Westland 3445
RANCH 3 Bed 2 bath Vault
ed ceilings throughout 2 story
layer ceramic baths lower
level walk out Beautifully
decorated \$174 900
CALL PATTY HAWLEY
734 459 6222

RE/MERICA
HOMETOWN

White Lake 3450
DOCK'S IN!
Will you be? Tempting 4
bedroom 2 bath home on
almost 2 acres fronting
deep clean spring fed
pond Family room at
tached garage Huron
Valley Schools Swim and
fish! \$224 500
(248) 887 6900
FIRST AMERICAN

LOVINGLY MAINTAINED
3 Bed 2.5 bath ranch situated
on 2+ acres Open floor plan
3 Car garage \$414 500
ASK FOR GREG MOLLET/
RON LYNCH
CENTURY 21 ROW
(734) 464 7111

Lapeer County 3515
METAMORA Spacious 3 bed
room 3500+ sq ft ranch on 10
rolling beautiful acres with
35x50 heated garage pond &
creek \$350 000 Serious buy
ers only (810) 797 4181

Livingston County 3520
Fenton Schools
OPEN SUN FEB 29 1 4pm
10 BEAUTIFUL ACRES
surrounds this lovely 2500
sq ft ranch Home includes 3
bedrooms 2 baths family
room with fireplace formal
living and dining rooms 1st
floor laundry 3 car detached
garage Tyrone Township
Great location too! \$284 000
Take Fenton Road North of M
59 and East of US 23 to East
on Rohr following open signs
to 13414 Rohr Road
Fenton Schools
JUST LISTED! Impressive 3
bedroom 2 bath ranch on 2.3
acres Setting back off the
road the home offers private
setting yet great location with
paved road for commuting
Home features an extra
spacious kitchen w/ lots of
cabinets and large snack bar
plus generous dining area
w/ natural fireplace living
and family room first floor
laundry Pergo floors and
newer carpet basement and 2
car attached garage Tyrone
Township \$232 900
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9560 810 632 7427

Oakland County 3540
AVOID REAL ESTATE
COMMISSIONS
1 8 77 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

It's no gamble
when you
advertise in
The Observer &
Eccentric
Classifieds!

Avoid Real Estate
Commissions
1 877 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

Absolutely Ideal for
Large Family
Beautiful spacious 5 bed
mult level in upscale sub
Bloomfield Hills Schools
\$5000 seller rebate \$328 000!
Call Dr B Sunny Taylor
248 851 6946 ext 440
Real Estate One...

QUICK OCCUPANCY
4 bedroom Cape Cod on 4
acre w/2 car garage \$234 900
MIKE HEATH 734 462 3600
Re/MAX Alliance

QUIET PEACEFUL SETTING
3 bedroom 2.5 bath 2100 sq
ft colonial 2 car attached
garage 45138 Pinetree
Shelton & Ann Arbor Rd
\$329 900 734 502 2815

FIRST OFFERING
Sharp ranch 2 spacious bed
rooms large living room
finished basement many
updates screened in porch
ideal location \$99 900

NEW ON MARKET
2 bedrooms in this cute
bungalow nice double lot
14x14 living room family
room with natural fireplace
patio 2 car garage \$114 900

Century 21Nada, Inc
248 477 9800

JUST REDUCED! This
maintenance free brick ranch
is ready & waiting w/many
updates including newer
furnace c/a roof water heater
windows kitchen & more!
Huge deck leading to a 16x32
paved pool This is a well
maintained home with a great
location + a Home Warranty!
\$144 900 Call George
Gooding at (734) 542 2543
Quality GMAC Real Estate

Westland 3445
RANCH 3 Bed 2 bath Vault
ed ceilings throughout 2 story
layer ceramic baths lower
level walk out Beautifully
decorated \$174 900
CALL PATTY HAWLEY
734 459 6222

RE/MERICA
HOMETOWN

White Lake 3450
DOCK'S IN!
Will you be? Tempting 4
bedroom 2 bath home on
almost 2 acres fronting
deep clean spring fed
pond Family room at
tached garage Huron
Valley Schools Swim and
fish! \$224 500
(248) 887 6900
FIRST AMERICAN

LOVINGLY MAINTAINED
3 Bed 2.5 bath ranch situated
on 2+ acres Open floor plan
3 Car garage \$414 500
ASK FOR GREG MOLLET/
RON LYNCH
CENTURY 21 ROW
(734) 464 7111

Lapeer County 3515
METAMORA Spacious 3 bed
room 3500+ sq ft ranch on 10
rolling beautiful acres with
35x50 heated garage pond &
creek \$350 000 Serious buy
ers only (810) 797 4181

Livingston County 3520
Fenton Schools
OPEN SUN FEB 29 1 4pm
10 BEAUTIFUL ACRES
surrounds this lovely 2500
sq ft ranch Home includes 3
bedrooms 2 baths family
room with fireplace formal
living and dining rooms 1st
floor laundry 3 car detached
garage Tyrone Township
Great location too! \$284 000
Take Fenton Road North of M
59 and East of US 23 to East
on Rohr following open signs
to 13414 Rohr Road
Fenton Schools
JUST LISTED! Impressive 3
bedroom 2 bath ranch on 2.3
acres Setting back off the
road the home offers private
setting yet great location with
paved road for commuting
Home features an extra
spacious kitchen w/ lots of
cabinets and large snack bar
plus generous dining area
w/ natural fireplace living
and family room first floor
laundry Pergo floors and
newer carpet basement and 2
car attached garage Tyrone
Township \$232 900
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9560 810 632 7427

Oakland County 3540
AVOID REAL ESTATE
COMMISSIONS
1 8 77 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

It's no gamble
when you
advertise in
The Observer &
Eccentric
Classifieds!

Avoid Real Estate
Commissions
1 877 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

Absolutely Ideal for
Large Family
Beautiful spacious 5 bed
mult level in upscale sub
Bloomfield Hills Schools
\$5000 seller rebate \$328 000!
Call Dr B Sunny Taylor
248 851 6946 ext 440
Real Estate One...

QUICK OCCUPANCY
4 bedroom Cape Cod on 4
acre w/2 car garage \$234 900
MIKE HEATH 734 462 3600
Re/MAX Alliance

QUIET PEACEFUL SETTING
3 bedroom 2.5 bath 2100 sq
ft colonial 2 car attached
garage 45138 Pinetree
Shelton & Ann Arbor Rd
\$329 900 734 502 2815

FIRST OFFERING
Sharp ranch 2 spacious bed
rooms large living room
finished basement many
updates screened in porch
ideal location \$99 900

NEW ON MARKET
2 bedrooms in this cute
bungalow nice double lot
14x14 living room family
room with natural fireplace
patio 2 car garage \$114 900

Century 21Nada, Inc
248 477 9800

JUST REDUCED! This
maintenance free brick ranch
is ready & waiting w/many
updates including newer
furnace c/a roof water heater
windows kitchen & more!
Huge deck leading to a 16x32
paved pool This is a well
maintained home with a great
location + a Home Warranty!
\$144 900 Call George
Gooding at (734) 542 2543
Quality GMAC Real Estate

Westland 3445
RANCH 3 Bed 2 bath Vault
ed ceilings throughout 2 story
layer ceramic baths lower
level walk out Beautifully
decorated \$174 900
CALL PATTY HAWLEY
734 459 6222

RE/MERICA
HOMETOWN

White Lake 3450
DOCK'S IN!
Will you be? Tempting 4
bedroom 2 bath home on
almost 2 acres fronting
deep clean spring fed
pond Family room at
tached garage Huron
Valley Schools Swim and
fish! \$224 500
(248) 887 6900
FIRST AMERICAN

LOVINGLY MAINTAINED
3 Bed 2.5 bath ranch situated
on 2+ acres Open floor plan
3 Car garage \$414 500
ASK FOR GREG MOLLET/
RON LYNCH
CENTURY 21 ROW
(734) 464 7111

Lapeer County 3515
METAMORA Spacious 3 bed
room 3500+ sq ft ranch on 10
rolling beautiful acres with
35x50 heated garage pond &
creek \$350 000 Serious buy
ers only (810) 797 4181

Livingston County 3520
Fenton Schools
OPEN SUN FEB 29 1 4pm
10 BEAUTIFUL ACRES
surrounds this lovely 2500
sq ft ranch Home includes 3
bedrooms 2 baths family
room with fireplace formal
living and dining rooms 1st
floor laundry 3 car detached
garage Tyrone Township
Great location too! \$284 000
Take Fenton Road North of M
59 and East of US 23 to East
on Rohr following open signs
to 13414 Rohr Road
Fenton Schools
JUST LISTED! Impressive 3
bedroom 2 bath ranch on 2.3
acres Setting back off the
road the home offers private
setting yet great location with
paved road for commuting
Home features an extra
spacious kitchen w/ lots of
cabinets and large snack bar
plus generous dining area
w/ natural fireplace living
and family room first floor
laundry Pergo floors and
newer carpet basement and 2
car attached garage Tyrone
Township \$232 900
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9560 810 632 7427

Oakland County 3540
AVOID REAL ESTATE
COMMISSIONS
1 8 77 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

It's no gamble
when you
advertise in
The Observer &
Eccentric
Classifieds!

Avoid Real Estate
Commissions
1 877 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

Absolutely Ideal for
Large Family
Beautiful spacious 5 bed
mult level in upscale sub
Bloomfield Hills Schools
\$5000 seller rebate \$328 000!
Call Dr B Sunny Taylor
248 851 6946 ext 440
Real Estate One...

QUICK OCCUPANCY
4 bedroom Cape Cod on 4
acre w/2 car garage \$234 900
MIKE HEATH 734 462 3600
Re/MAX Alliance

QUIET PEACEFUL SETTING
3 bedroom 2.5 bath 2100 sq
ft colonial 2 car attached
garage 45138 Pinetree
Shelton & Ann Arbor Rd
\$329 900 734 502 2815

FIRST OFFERING
Sharp ranch 2 spacious bed
rooms large living room
finished basement many
updates screened in porch
ideal location \$99 900

NEW ON MARKET
2 bedrooms in this cute
bungalow nice double lot
14x14 living room family
room with natural fireplace
patio 2 car garage \$114 900

Century 21Nada, Inc
248 477 9800

JUST REDUCED! This
maintenance free brick ranch
is ready & waiting w/many
updates including newer
furnace c/a roof water heater
windows kitchen & more!
Huge deck leading to a 16x32
paved pool This is a well
maintained home with a great
location + a Home Warranty!
\$144 900 Call George
Gooding at (734) 542 2543
Quality GMAC Real Estate

Westland 3445
RANCH 3 Bed 2 bath Vault
ed ceilings throughout 2 story
layer ceramic baths lower
level walk out Beautifully
decorated \$174 900
CALL PATTY HAWLEY
734 459 6222

RE/MERICA
HOMETOWN

White Lake 3450
DOCK'S IN!
Will you be? Tempting 4
bedroom 2 bath home on
almost 2 acres fronting
deep clean spring fed
pond Family room at
tached garage Huron
Valley Schools Swim and
fish! \$224 500
(248) 887 6900
FIRST AMERICAN

LOVINGLY MAINTAINED
3 Bed 2.5 bath ranch situated
on 2+ acres Open floor plan
3 Car garage \$414 500
ASK FOR GREG MOLLET/
RON LYNCH
CENTURY 21 ROW
(734) 464 7111

Lapeer County 3515
METAMORA Spacious 3 bed
room 3500+ sq ft ranch on 10
rolling beautiful acres with
35x50 heated garage pond &
creek \$350 000 Serious buy
ers only (810) 797 4181

Livingston County 3520
Fenton Schools
OPEN SUN FEB 29 1 4pm
10 BEAUTIFUL ACRES
surrounds this lovely 2500
sq ft ranch Home includes 3
bedrooms 2 baths family
room with fireplace formal
living and dining rooms 1st
floor laundry 3 car detached
garage Tyrone Township
Great location too! \$284 000
Take Fenton Road North of M
59 and East of US 23 to East
on Rohr following open signs
to 13414 Rohr Road
Fenton Schools
JUST LISTED! Impressive 3
bedroom 2 bath ranch on 2.3
acres Setting back off the
road the home offers private
setting yet great location with
paved road for commuting
Home features an extra
spacious kitchen w/ lots of
cabinets and large snack bar
plus generous dining area
w/ natural fireplace living
and family room first floor
laundry Pergo floors and
newer carpet basement and 2
car attached garage Tyrone
Township \$232 900
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9560 810 632 7427

Oakland County 3540
AVOID REAL ESTATE
COMMISSIONS
1 8 77 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

It's no gamble
when you
advertise in
The Observer &
Eccentric
Classifieds!

Avoid Real Estate
Commissions
1 877 GO FLAT RATE
J Edwards Broker

Absolutely Ideal for
Large Family
Beautiful spacious 5 bed
mult level in upscale sub
Bloomfield Hills Schools
\$5000 seller rebate \$328 000!
Call Dr B Sunny Taylor
248 851 6946 ext 440
Real Estate One...

QUICK OCCUPANCY
4 bedroom Cape Cod on 4
acre w/2 car garage \$234 900
MIKE HEATH 734 462 3600
Re/MAX Alliance

QUIET PEACEFUL SETTING
3 bedroom 2.5 bath 2100 sq
ft colonial 2 car attached
garage 45138 Pinetree
Shelton & Ann Arbor Rd
\$329 900 734 502 2815

FIRST OFFERING
Sharp ranch 2 spacious bed
rooms large living room
finished basement many
updates screened in porch
ideal location \$99 900

NEW ON MARKET
2 bedrooms in this cute
bungalow nice double lot
14x14 living room family
room with natural fireplace
patio 2 car garage \$114 900

Century 21Nada, Inc
248 477 9800

JUST REDUCED! This
maintenance free brick ranch
is ready & waiting w/many
updates including newer
furnace c/a roof water heater
windows kitchen & more!
Huge deck leading to a 16x32
paved pool This is a well
maintained home with a great
location + a Home Warranty!
\$144 900 Call George
Gooding at (734) 542 2543
Quality GMAC Real Estate

Farmington Hills 3145
HOT! HOT! HOT!

HOMES IN THE HILLS
RANCH \$335 000
Beautifully maintained
2584 sq ft 4 bed 2.5
bath brick ranch Living
room w/replace Great
room & library w/cypress
paneling Formal dining
room Fin shed walk out
level w/family
room & bar area Patio
w/BBO 2 car garage
Many recent updates
including kitchen baths
C/A roof more (RA330)

\$325 000 PARADISE
A nature lover's paradise!
On wooded lot w/stream
& many perennials & lo
cated across street from
park 4 bed 2 full & 2 half
bath home w thin walking
distance of downtown
Farmington Living room
w/Berber carpet Formal
dining room w/crown
molding & bay window
Family room w/replace
Kitchen wall appliances
Finished walk out lower
level w/rec room C/A
Patio & deck 2 car
attached garage (SH331)

\$274,900 COLONIAL
Immediate Occupancy
in sub w/winding streets
& beautifully landscaped
lots 4 bed 2.5 bath has
been updated to per
fection Hardwood boy
er living room w/bay
window formal dining
room family room
w/replace & doorwall to
deck New kitchen
w/breakfast room Bsm
In ground pool 2 car
garage (GR263)

\$169,900-RANCH
Spotless 1400 sq ft 3
bed 1.5 bath brick ranch
Living room w/replace
& doorwall to patio &
deck Family room kit
chen w/appliances 1st
floor laundry Full bath
fully landscaped fenced
yard (TU231)

Century 21
Century 21 Today
(248)855 2000
www.century21today.com

Garden City 3170
JUST LISTED

It's beautiful and afford
able 3 bedroom ranch w
supp finished bsmt w
b and ne full bath
C/a patio 2 car garage
do s a d s much
pro s
List \$ 41 900

ACT NOW!
\$117 900 Unheard of
price for a 3 bed home on
large lot 2.5 garage many
updates Immediate
Occupancy Kitchen
appliances Going quick

Call The Anderson's
Century 21 Dynamic
(734) 728 7800 Direct
6900 N Wayne Westland

Hartland 3200
OPEN SUN FEB 29 1 4pm
CANAL FRONT Home on
peaceful Bullard Lake Home
features 4 bedrooms 2.5
baths formal living and
dining room family room
with fireplace and doorwall
to deck Finished basement 2
car garage and treat setting!
Great fishing lake Hartland
Schools \$294 000 Take
Bullard Road N of M 59 to
East on Erika following open
signs to 12508 Erika Dr
WHAT MORE COULD YOU
NEED? Attractive 3
bedroom 2 bath ranch on
partially wooded 16 acres
Open floor plan includes
cathedral ceilings convenient
kitchen dining area with
snack bar first floor laundry
full walkout basement
prepped for 3rd bath and 2
car attached garage Public
access to Indian Lake nearby!
Hart and Schools \$205 900
ENGLAND REAL ESTATE
888 211 9560 810 632 7427

Livonia 3250
A MUST SEE!
3 Bed ranch w/ tons of
updates! Finished bsmt w/ rec
room kitchen full bath
fireplace All appliances set!
\$184 900

Century 21 PREMIER
(734) 453-4300

Apartments

All Ads Run Online FREE! A Value Of Up To \$87.00 www.hometownlife.com

Manufactured Homes 3740 SAVE \$2000 PRICED BELOW INVOICE! New Homes \$19,900!

In Canton SHERWOOD VILLAGE Wayne Westland Schools on the southeast cor of Michigan Ave & Haggerty Rd (734) 397-7774

In Romulus HURON ESTATES On Inkster S of Sibley (734) 782-9300

Mobile Homes 3780 Homes For Sale Below Market Value Owner financing available Ask for Pat (800) 713 2001

Lakelake Properties 3770 NORTHERN MI WOODLAND \$23,900! Towing pines include you & 20 lakes are within 3 miles!

Resort & Vacation Properties 3800 HOMESTEAD Rare 1st floor Sand Piper condo on the beach Decorator furnished Original owner For sale or rent 248 626 8609

Lois & Acreage Vacant 3820 HIGHLAND WHITE LAKE AREA 10 acres parcels from \$100 000 40 acres heavy wooded \$550 000 40 acres y/v lake sng b/d s/es can't be sp 1 (248 891 74 0 248 6 3 6515

NORTHFIELD TWP 10 ACRES Absolutely beautiful setting Parcel contains hardwoods stream and rolling meadow Great location with US 23 access \$199 900 For details CALL JOHN MCARDLE 734 420 3400

REMERICA HOMETOWN ONE Money To Loan 3860 2 MILLION IN SCASHS WE BUY HOUSES & APTS 866 389 0821 www.EZHomeBuyer4U.com

Real Estate Wanted 3870 I BUY & LEASE HOUSES Any area condition or price 248 232 8336

New Company in town looking to buy or lease houses any price any condition 248 348 4700

Executive Home Wanted! Behind on Payments OK 734 769 8176 24/7 Recorded Message

HOMESSELLER Immediate sale Just days Ago Agent needed Simple Miracle Sale technique Top Dollar All Cash Easy! Tested! Proven! 734 748 8891/800 735 7950

INVESTOR SPECIAL! Cheap cash! 734 347 0002

NEED MONEY NOW? Then sell your home! Any condition any city Will stop your foreclosure No fees or costs Fontana Properties \$ 248 866-8788

Cemetery Lots 3880 BEST WHITE CHAPEL LOTS Troy Garden of Last Supper Current \$1900 sell \$950! (FL 904-826 0167)

DETROIT MEMORIAL PARK WEST Redford 2 plots \$2000 734 721-4380 days

White Chapel Cemetery would ask approximately \$1250 each 9 adjoining lots Choice location Will sell for \$850 each After 6pm (734) 416 4191

Comm. Retail Sale-Lease 3920 BIRMINGHAM Downtown Prime retail / showroom space 4200 sq ft at 1000 S Old Woodward Will divide On site parking For info call SanBren Co 248 647 3250

REDFORD 2 Suites 915 sq ft or 1175 sq ft Can be combined for 2000 sq ft (313) 590 8498

WESTLAND Retail/Office/Medical 18 500 sq ft \$6 PSF NNN Can be subdivided negotiable lease terms Incentives offered 303 917 7466

Office Space For Lease/Rent 3950 AMERICENTERS Furnished Windowed Offices - Conference Rooms High Speed Internet Access Troy Livonia Bloomfield Hills Southfield 734 462 1313

1 000 to 15 000 sq ft in professional office in downtown Plymouth Available immediately Contact Tim Reilly (734) 737 2900 or Bob Kurtz (734) 737 2994

CANTON Office space Private entry Includes all utilities Ample parking Call 734 765 0107 for more info

EXPRESSWAY EXPOSURE Month to month Avail 168 to 2700 sq ft 1 275 x way JA Bloch & Co/Cal Realty (248) 559 7430

FARMINGTON Downtown 600 sq ft ground floor + others Low gross rent incl utilities parking etc 248 476 2050

FARMINGTON HILLS Middlebelt/14 Mile Rd Suite of 5 offices approximately 1 200 sq ft Terms negotiable gross Ely or Kris @ 248 626 3800 Email etams@tbrpc.com

FARMINGTON HILLS Office Space Available 860 sq ft & up Several Locations Great Rates CERTIFIED REALTY INC (248) 471 7100

NORTHVILLE downtown Class A office space 2000 sq ft in medical office building \$4000/mo (248) 921 7161

PLYMOUTH DOWNTOWN 525 sq ft suite & 1 430 sq ft suite Ample parking Call 734 455 7373 for info

REDFORD TWP Office Space 400 500 sq ft Beautifully redecorated Private entry & bathroom Includes all utilities CERTIFIED REALTY INC (248) 471 7100

WESTLAND Retail/Office/Medical 18 500 sq ft \$6 PSF NNN Can be subdivided negotiable lease terms Incentives offered (303) 917 7466

4000-4980 FARMINGTON HILLS Greenwood Apts on 8 Mile W of Farmington Rd Deluxe apt over 1200 sq ft includes washer & dryer in each unit almost appliances vertical blinds close to shopping Special w/13 mo lease get one month free rent! With good credit Call Rick 248 345 1993

4000 CANTON 1 bed con wash & d ye stove refrigerator carpet \$625/mo includes heat (734) 455 0391

4000 FARMINGTON HILLS Greenwood Apts on 8 Mile W of Farmington Rd Deluxe apt over 1200 sq ft includes washer & dryer in each unit almost appliances vertical blinds close to shopping Special w/13 mo lease get one month free rent! With good credit Call Rick 248 345 1993

CANTON GREAT APTS. *Free Heat *Free Golf FOR A LIMITED TIME 1 Bed starting at \$569 2 Bed starting at \$669 800-312-5064

Farmington Grand River Middlebelt Great Location Near Botsford Hospital Livonia Mall and Downtown Farmington with Clarenceville School District CEDARIDGE APARTMENTS Limited Time Special 2 Bedroom Units FROM \$700 Vertical blinds carpeting Hotpoint appliances security system storage within apt (Enter on Tulane 1 block W of Middlebelt S side of Grand River) Model Open Daily 1 6 Except Wednesday 248-471-5020 586-775-8206

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

WESTLAND *ROCK BOTTOM RENTS! Hawthorne Club Apts. 1 Bedroom - \$510 2 Bedrooms - \$695 FREE HEAT! Free Application Fee (Cut out and bring in this ad) REDUCED SECURITY DEPOSIT CALL NOW! 866-241-5111 www.cmiproperties.net On Merriman Between Ann Arbor Trail and Warren Road *Limited Time on Select Units

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

4000's Real Estate For Lease 4000 Apartments/Unfurnished 4010 Apartments/Furnished 4020 Condos/Townhouses 4030 Duplexes 4040 Flats 4050 Homes For Rent 4060 Lakes/Rentals 4080 Mobile Homes Rentals 4090 Southern Rentals 4100 Time Share Rentals 4110 Vacation Resorts/Rentals 4120 Livng Quarters To Share 4140 Rooms For Rent 4200 Halls/Buildings 4210 Residence To Exchange 4230 Commercial/Industrial 4300 Garage/Mn Storage 4400 Wanted To Rent 4410 Wanted To Rent 4500 Furniture Rental 4560 Rental Agency 4570 Property Management 4690 Lease/Option To Buy 4690 House Siting Serv ce 4620 Home Health Care 4640 Misc To Rent

1-800-579-SELL BIRMINGHAM Spacious 2 bedroom Blinds storage C/A hardwood floors \$760/mo 248 506 7345

BIRMINGHAM ETON SQUARE ASK ABOUT OUR SPECIALS! Featuring our 2 bedroom townhome with retro floor plan open staircase cozy woodburning fireplace full basement private patio A must see! Ask for Amy at 248 644 1300

Birmingham - 1 bedroom apt Quiet setting Concrete construction Ideal for professional Close to downtown Carport No pets Free rent incentive avail 248 368 1147

BIRMINGHAM 1 MONTH FREE To Qualified Applicants Studios and 1 & 2 bedrooms available in town Birmingham at the 555 Building Call Mari 248 645 1191

BIRMINGHAM ONE STOP SHOPPING NO RENT UNTIL APRIL 1, 2004

Maple Road Townes Maple at Columbia (east of Eton) Walk to downtown from this charming & updated 1 bed apts (\$725) 1 bed townhouses (\$830) or 2 bed townhouses (\$950) 437 E 14 Mile near Pierce Fully updated 2 bed/1 bath townhouse features all white kitchen with hardwood look flooring full basement deck & one car garage with opener Only \$975 1724 Grant Lincoln & Woodward area 2 bed/1.5 bath townhome features spacious rooms w/ nice closets private yard carport \$1120 INCLUDES HEAT All have central AC 1 cat OK w/fee EHO Cal The Bene cke Group weekdays at (248) 642 8686

DEARBORN HEIGHTS Winter Savings Spectacular! 1st month FREE... plus \$300 off April! *FREE HEAT! *Lots of Closets! *Vertical Blinds! DEARBORN CLUB APARTMENTS & TOWNHOMES (866) 534-3358 On Inkster Rd just North of Ford Rd EHO

Farmington Hills Best Apartment Value TIMBERIDGE APARTMENTS (N on Tuck Rd off 8 Mile between Middlebelt & Orchard Lake Rd corner of Folsom) DELUXE ONE AND TWO BEDROOM UNITS FROM \$625 LIMITED SPECIAL Includes appliances vertical blinds carpeting pool optional carports Model Open Daily 9 5 Rental Office 248 478 1487 Home Office 586 775 8206

FARMINGTON HILLS MAPLE RIDGE APTS CALL FOR SPECIALS! 23078 Middlebelt Spacious 1 bedroom Central air carport available \$600 248 473 5180

Farmington Hills SUPER LOCATION Grand River/Orchard Lake STONERIDGE MANOR APARTMENTS Entic of 1 bedroom Road W of Orchard Lake Road South of G and Rver Deluxe 1 Bedroom sub level From \$550/Mo includes Carpeting vertical blinds deluxe appliances Mon Fri 9 4 Sat/Sun by appointment Rental Office 248/478 1487 Home Office 586/775 8206

FARMINGTON CHATHAM HILLS Large 1 Bedrooms as low as \$575/mo. * All Apts include. * Dishwasher * Microwave * Central Heat & Air * Sound Conditioned Walls * Lots of Closets * Extra Storage * Locked Entry * Indoor Pool at Office You choose * Attached Garage * Renovated Apt * Den or 2nd bedroom off kitchen (866) 266-9238 Located on Grand River btwn Drake and Halstead Mon 9 7 Tues Fri 9 6 Sat 10 4 Sun 11 4 www.cmiproperties.net *Some Restrictions Call for details

Farmington Hills HAPPINESS IS Moving into a cozy 1 bedroom apt with REDUCED RENT & SECURITY DEPOSIT Carpet & water included Starting at \$520 CEDARBROOKE APTS 248 478 0322 A word to the wise when looking for a great deal check the Observer & Eccentric Classifieds!

Livonia One of Livonia's finest apartments at competitve prices CANTERBURY PARK APTS 19400 Mayfield off Seven Mile Rd between Farmington & Merriman behind Joe's Produce LIMITED WINTER SPECIAL 1 BEDROOM \$600/mo 2 BEDROOM \$800/mo includes full washer & dryer in each apartment Community room patio or balcony deluxe appliances optional carport 248 473 3983 586 775 8206

Livonia's Finest Location MERRIMAN WOODS APTS Merriman Rd corner of 7 Mile Near Livonia Mall ASK ABOUT OUR LIMITED TIME SPECIAL One Bedroom Immediate Occupancy From \$600 includes Patio or balcony carpeting vertical blinds deluxe appliances pool 248 477 9377 586 775 8206

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

FARMINGTON DOWNTOWN 1 Bedroom loft washer dryer skylight wood floors brick walls upscale \$775 1st & last security Mike 248 442 4999

FARMINGTON Great deal! 2 bed 2 bath \$765/mo 1 bed \$645/mo includes heat/water & carport No Pets 248 477 5650

Farmington Hills OPEN HOUSE Friday 2 27 Saturday 2 28 Sunday 2 29 Prizes! Refreshments! Save up to \$3120! * Pets Live Free * Covered Parking * 24 hr Fitness Center * In Home Washer/Dryer * Sparkling Pool * Short term & furnished available

New Reduced Rents! 1 bedroom from \$700* 2 bedroom from \$850*

Diamond Forest Apartments 23140 Halsted Rd Call toll free 877-262-7949 diamondforest.com *For a very limited time on select units Call for details

Farmington Hills Minutes from I 96! 1 & 2 bed rooms Up to 1 Month Free! Covered parking pets welcome extra storage 24 hr fitness center pool Call today (888) 547 5828 or visit us at www.woodridgeapartments.com

LIVONIA 14950 Fairfield 1 MONTH FREE RENT! 1 Bedroom \$615 Heat water wood floors Private patio/balcony 734-516-0539

LIVONIA 5 Mile/Middlebelt 2 bedroom 1050 sq ft private entry Washer/dryer hook up balcony/patio central air/heat \$715/mo 248 521 1978

LIVONIA 14950 Fairfield 1 MONTH FREE RENT! 1 Bedroom \$615 Heat water wood floors Private patio/balcony 734-516-0539

LIVONIA CURTIS CREEK APTS Farmington Rd 6 1/2 Mile Private entrances washer/dryer Pets Lease specials From \$715 248 473 0365

Livonia One of Livonia's finest apartments at competitve prices CANTERBURY PARK APTS 19400 Mayfield off Seven Mile Rd between Farmington & Merriman behind Joe's Produce LIMITED WINTER SPECIAL 1 BEDROOM \$600/mo 2 BEDROOM \$800/mo includes full washer & dryer in each apartment Community room patio or balcony deluxe appliances optional carport 248 473 3983 586 775 8206

Livonia's Finest Location MERRIMAN WOODS APTS Merriman Rd corner of 7 Mile Near Livonia Mall ASK ABOUT OUR LIMITED TIME SPECIAL One Bedroom Immediate Occupancy From \$600 includes Patio or balcony carpeting vertical blinds deluxe appliances pool 248 477 9377 586 775 8206

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

Farmington Hills WALNUT CREEK Large 1 Bedroom 0 Security Deposit w/credit approval STARTING AT \$496/Mo MUST SEE! Call (248) 961 2763

FARMINGTON HILLS Heat Included! 1 bedroom \$505 Appliances carpeting 9 Mile/Middlebelt 248 478 7489

FARMINGTON MANOR APTS Deluxe studio & 1 bedroom carport 1ST 3 MONTHS RENT 50% OFF! (With approved credit) 248 868 0868

FIVE Five Five ONE MONTH FREE To Qualified Applicants Studios 1 & 2 bedrooms available in town Birmingham Call Mari (248) 645 1191

GARDEN CITY - Walk to Downtown 1 bedroom Heat included Blinds & carpet thru out 734 522 0480

GARDEN CITY 1 bed newly decorated appliances heat & water \$535 +deposit 734 261 8863 734 464 3847

LAKE ORION Safe quiet quiet 2nd story 1 bed w/ gas fireplace washer/dryer garage w/ remote across street from Orion lake w/ access cats OK non smoking Avail March \$900 includes heat 248 408 4358

LIVONIA 1 & 2 beds in park like setting Heat & blinds included Carpet thru out Pool Great Specials! 734 425 5380

LIVONIA Minutes from I 96! 1 & 2 bed rooms Up to 1 Month Free! Covered parking pets welcome extra storage 24 hr fitness center pool Call today (888) 547 5828 or visit us at www.woodridgeapartments.com

LIVONIA 5 Mile/Middlebelt 2 bedroom 1050 sq ft private entry Washer/dryer hook up balcony/patio central air/heat \$715/mo 248 521 1978

LIVONIA 14950 Fairfield 1 MONTH FREE RENT! 1 Bedroom \$615 Heat water wood floors Private patio/balcony 734-516-0539

LIVONIA CURTIS CREEK APTS Farmington Rd 6 1/2 Mile Private entrances washer/dryer Pets Lease specials From \$715 248 473 0365

Livonia One of Livonia's finest apartments at competitve prices CANTERBURY PARK APTS 19400 Mayfield off Seven Mile Rd between Farmington & Merriman behind Joe's Produce LIMITED WINTER SPECIAL 1 BEDROOM \$600/mo 2 BEDROOM \$800/mo includes full washer & dryer in each apartment Community room patio or balcony deluxe appliances optional carport 248 473 3983 586 775 8206

Livonia's Finest Location MERRIMAN WOODS APTS Merriman Rd corner of 7 Mile Near Livonia Mall ASK ABOUT OUR LIMITED TIME SPECIAL One Bedroom Immediate Occupancy From \$600 includes Patio or balcony carpeting vertical blinds deluxe appliances pool 248 477 9377 586 775 8206

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing Closet Space! *24 Hour Maintenance! WESTGATE IV APARTMENTS (866) 232-4373 On Pontiac Trail East of Beck Road SHORT TERM LEASES AVAILABLE! EHO

NOVI \$99 Moves You In Pay NO Rent Until April! *FREE CARPORTS! *CITY WATER! *Amazing

Apartments

All Ads Run Online FREE! A Value Of Up To \$87.00 www.hometownlife.com

Southfield French Quarters Apts Move-in Specials!!! Beautiful 1 bedroom apts with great amenities including swimming pool, central air, carports available & fitness center 8 Mile/Beech Daly area 248-354-3362

Westland Open Sunday LIVONIA SCHOOLS 2 Bedrooms super closets breakfast bar appliances pool laundry facilities intercom cable ready central heating & A/C SPECIALS While They Last WOODLAND VILLA 734 422 5411 Warren btw Wayne/Newburgh

Westland Park Apts 2 MONTHS FREE RENT! 1st month \$300 2nd and 4th month FREE \$200 Security Deposit \$20.00 off per month for 1 year on select apts (new residents only w/ht approved credit)

FARMINGTON HILLS LUXURY CONDO 14 Mile at Orchard Lake Road 2500 sq ft 2 bedroom 2 1/2 baths all appliances including washer & dryer Garage parking \$1755 per month Call (248) 585 0800

FARMINGTON HILLS 1999 1200 sq ft 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath condo Finished basement fireplace ca 1 attached garage immediate occupancy \$1400/mo 12 Mile & Orchard Lake area 248 893 1126

LIVONIA Luxury 3 bedroom town house \$1300/mo No Pets Call (248) 477 0189

MILFORD Brand new luxury w/appliances Special 3 br for \$1 000/mo Near GM 248 681 7122 248 396 4030

Northville 2 bedroom ranch condo Appliances & gas heat included Garage basement \$1100/mo 734 254 0170

NOVI 2 bedroom townhouse New kitchen 1 car garage \$750/mo 39766 Village Wood Circle N of 9 Mile & Haggerty Re/Max Classic 248 476 6496

Troy Renovated Property Adjacent to Downtown Birmingham s Nightlife Retail Restaurants & Coffee Shops Minutes from Somerset Collection in Troy + Heat Hot Water & Trash included + Get Feb for FREE ask us how 2 bedrooms \$695 \$795 Urbane Apartments of Troy 248-988 7125

Westland \$99 DEPOSIT Ask about our lower prices and FREE RENT! ORCHARDS OF NEWBURGH Larger Apartments 1 & 2 Bedroom plans • Playground Area • Pool & Clubhouse • Carport included (734) 729-5090 www.yorkcommunities.com

Westland 1 bed carpeted stove/ refrigerator incl \$400/mo 734 326 8300

PONTIAC CONDO 2 bed room/2 bath for lease asking \$970/mo Brand new! Section 8 ok (248) 240 0106

Waterford condo 1 bed carport Central air No pets immediate occupancy indoor pool washer/dryer dishwasher balcony heat incl \$625/mo 248 623 2619

BIRMINGHAM charmer 4 bedrooms Remodeled master w/garden tub Fenced yard w/play area 1 year lease \$2 650/mo Call Vicki Max Brook Realtors (248) 625 9300 (BORIV)

BIRMINGHAM 3 bedroom air gourmet kitchen hardwood floors garage very sharp \$1400/mo Call 248 953 0338

BIRMINGHAM 3 bed 2 bath c/a appliances newly renovated immaculate no pets avail now 1 yr mini mo \$1300 248 225 3747 248 613 2265

BIRMINGHAM Clean 2 bedroom partially finished basement A/C all appliances \$875/mo Open Sat & Sun 1 00 2 30 1383 E 14 Mile (248) 792 2772

Westland LOVE THOSE 1 Bedrooms for \$535 2 Bedrooms for \$615 Includes heat & water \$99 Deposit 734-721-0500

Westland \$99 MOVES YOU IN! Pay no rent until April FREE FORCED AIR HEAT! Walk-in Closet! Ceiling Fans! Restrictions Apply HUNTINGTON ON THE HILL APARTMENTS (866) 395-0746 On Ann Arbor Tr btwn Inkerster & Middlebelt EHO

BIRMINGHAM • Novi Royal Oak • Troy Furnished Apts. Monthly Leases Immediate Occupancy Lowest Rates Newly Decorated SUITE LIFE 248-549-5500

CANTON 1628 Brookline 3 bed 1 1/2 bath a/c full bsmt \$890/mo No pets Available Now! 734 981 1209

LIVONIA 2 bed quiet end unit backs up to City Park incl stove refrigerator basement fenced backyard 1 car garage lawn maintenance snow removal on sidewalks Avail March 15 Tennant pays all utilities \$795/mo 1 yr lease security deposit required No pets 734 322 5223

BIRMINGHAM 2 bed 1 bath 1200 sq ft immediate occupancy \$850 734 254 9965

PLYMOUTH 2 bedroom appliances base ment decorated flex lease \$850 (734) 458 3066

PLYMOUTH Sheldon Junction area 1 bedroom utility room air No smoking or pets \$495 + security 734 455 1040

PLYMOUTH Close to town Clean 2 bed cm 1 1/2 bath stove & refrigerator basement \$800/month 734 421 6008

Westland \$339 MOVES YOU IN + 2 MO FREE RENT GAS & WATER PAID 1 2 BEDROOMS WESTERN HILLS APTS Call 734-729-6520 Open Mon Fri 9am 5pm Upon Credit approval

Westland ADAMS SENIOR VILLAGE Condo style apts 1 & 2 bed avail A senior com munity for the young at heart \$300/sec dep Mon Fri 8 30pm Weekend apts avail (734) 595 3748

BURLINGTON APTS 1111 N Old Woodward has short term and month to month lease arrangements during renovations to transform Birmingham s finest into Woodward Place of Birmingham Condom niums For leasing info call (248) 684 1111

PLYMOUTH 2 bedroom appliances base ment decorated flex lease \$850 (734) 458 3066

PLYMOUTH Sheldon Junction area 1 bedroom utility room air No smoking or pets \$495 + security 734 455 1040

PLYMOUTH Close to town Clean 2 bed cm 1 1/2 bath stove & refrigerator basement \$800/month 734 421 6008

VAN BUREN TWP Large 1 bed 2 bath jacuzzi w/ wash er/dryer Must see \$700 secu ty (734) 699 68

Walled Lake New lakefront duplex 2 bed 2 1/2 bath 2 car garage all appliances including washer/dryer Fireplace \$1695 248 203 2826

WAYNE 2 bed upstairs living dining room kitchen down Electric heat additional No pets \$550/mo 734 459 1790

Westland \$99 DEPOSIT One Month Free Rent plus 1st visit only, \$50 off 6 mo. rent. On One bed s only VENOY PINES APARTMENTS NEWLY RENOVATED KITCHENS & BATHS 1 & 2 bedroom apts some with fireplace Clubhouse (734) 261-7394 www.yorkcommunities.com

Westland 3460 GLENWOOD E OF WAYNE TWO MONTHS FREE RENT! 1 Bedroom \$530 Heat & Water Included 734 641 9823

BIRMINGHAM ONE STOP SHOPPING See our ad under Apartments for Rent Birmingham The Benicke Group (248) 642 8686

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Pool appliances & water included New windows/car port \$995 248 318 7656

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 2 bath w/gas fireplace grill new appliances carpeting paint Gas heat water included \$1050/mo (248) 613 4483

CANTON Plymouth Landings Condo Sheldon/Warren 1 bed 1 bath with bsmt \$715/mo 734 516 8367

CANTON Sharp new decor 2 bedroom big master 1 1/2 bath washer/dryer air patio pool bsmt carport 517 655 2753

CANTON 2 bed 1 1/2 bath Appliances included no pets/smoking \$675/mo 734 453 3737 734 844 8018

Westland FOREST LANE On Wayne Rd near Ford Rd TWO MONTH FREE RENT! Studio \$520 1 Bedroom \$570 2 Bedroom \$615 Free Heat & Water *Some restrictions apply 734-722-5155

Westland LIVONIA SCHOOLS Two Bedrooms From \$520 00 * Free Heat * Free Carport 734-459-6600 *On select units *Limited time offer

Westland CAPRI "MOVE IN SPECIAL" \$17 00 (with good credit) California Style Apts 1 bedroom from \$565 Heat & water included Cathedral ceilings Balconies Fully carpeted Vertical blinds Great location to malls & Livonia school system (734) 261 5410

Westland 1 bed 2 bath jacuzzi w/ wash er/dryer Must see \$700 secu ty (734) 699 68

Walled Lake New lakefront duplex 2 bed 2 1/2 bath 2 car garage all appliances including washer/dryer Fireplace \$1695 248 203 2826

WAYNE 2 bed upstairs living dining room kitchen down Electric heat additional No pets \$550/mo 734 459 1790

Westland Newer 3 bed 2 1/2 baths bsmt garage fireplace \$1250/mo Paul 734 207 2250

Westland 2 Bedroom full basement New furnace/air Ultra clean move right in From \$645/mo Ask about our special 734 721 8111

Westland 2 units each w/1000 sq ft 2 bed & 1 bath New windows kitchen & bath Great yard Avail now \$720/mo (734) 459 8505

FLATS BIRMINGHAM Downtown 2 bed updated kitchen liv ing/dining bath utilities paid No pets \$900 248 644 1708

GREAT APARTMENTS GREAT LOCATIONS Rent Includes Heat and Vertical Blinds 6 month or 1 year lease Well maintained Newly decorated Features Air conditioning Refrigerator and range Smoke detectors Laundry facilities Extra storage Swimming pool Cable available 1 & 2 Bedroom Apts LEXINGTON VILLAGE Small Pet Section From \$560 175 and 14 Mile opposite Oakland Mall 248-585-4010 PRESIDENT MADISON APTS. From \$605 1 block east of John R. just south of Oakland Mall 248-585-0580 HARLO APTS. From \$570 Warren MI West side of Mound Rd just north of 13 Mile Opposite GM Tech Center 586-939-2340

Westland FOREST LANE On Wayne Rd near Ford Rd TWO MONTH FREE RENT! Studio \$520 1 Bedroom \$570 2 Bedroom \$615 Free Heat & Water *Some restrictions apply 734-722-5155

FLATS BIRMINGHAM Downtown 2 bed updated kitchen liv ing/dining bath utilities paid No pets \$900 248 644 1708

BIRMINGHAM One bed upper flat w/living room & c/a Walk to Woodward & c/a Downtown \$575/mo (248) 626 1069

FERNDALE Amazing & large 2 bed lower in great area Wood floors c/a fireplace new kitchen breakfast room finished basement laundry garage Nice yard! Too much to mention A MUST SEE! \$995 + utilities (248) 548 5946

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Pool appliances & water included New windows/car port \$995 248 318 7656

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 2 bath w/gas fireplace grill new appliances carpeting paint Gas heat water included \$1050/mo (248) 613 4483

CANTON Plymouth Landings Condo Sheldon/Warren 1 bed 1 bath with bsmt \$715/mo 734 516 8367

CANTON Sharp new decor 2 bedroom big master 1 1/2 bath washer/dryer air patio pool bsmt carport 517 655 2753

CLASSIFIEDS THAT WORK FOR YOU! 1-800-579-SELL

W. BLOOMFIELD 1 & 2 Bedroom Apts Air Conditioning Pets Welcome Dishwasher Microwave Vertical Blinds Carpets Available 2 Pools Fitness Center Furnished Apts Available \$100 Moves You In! BLOOMFIELD ON THE GREEN Orchard Lake & Middlebelt 248-682-2950 OPEN 7 DAYS • MON-FRI 8 30am-6 00pm • SAT 9am 5pm • SUN 12 5pm

DEARBORN HEIGHTS AREA Beautiful 1, 2 & 3 Bedroom 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH VILLA 24-Hour Gatehouse Pets Welcome Vertical Blinds Air Conditioning Fitness Center Swimming Pool Furnished Apts available \$100 MOVES YOU IN! Canterbury Woods APARTMENTS Open 7 Days Mon-Fri 8 30am-6 00pm Sat 9 00am-5 00pm Sun 12noon-5 00pm BEECH DALY SOUTH OF CHERRY HILL 313-562-3988

CANTON SPACIOUS 1 & 2 BEDROOM Washer/Dryer hook-up Self-cleaning oven Vertical Blinds Swimming Pool New Fitness Center Pets Welcome Furnished Apts Available \$1000 Moves You In! Autumn Ridge APARTMENTS Cherry Hill at I 275 734-397-1080 Open 7 Days Mon-Fri 8 30am-6 00pm Sat 9am 5pm Sun 12 5pm

Canton Franklin Palmer Apartment Homes One Month Free Rent plus... Reduced Rental Rates on One Bedrooms Was \$615 \$625 Now \$540 FREE HEAT! Enclosed Patios on 1st Floor Individual Storage Unit 24 Hour Emergency Maintenance (888) 316-3240 Located on Palmer between Lalley & Sheldon Open Mon Fri 9-6 • Sat 10-3 • Sun 12-4 THE COST OF LIVING JUST WENT DOWN! One Bedrooms from \$590 Two Bedrooms from \$700

FLATS BIRMINGHAM Downtown 2 bed updated kitchen liv ing/dining bath utilities paid No pets \$900 248 644 1708

BIRMINGHAM One bed upper flat w/living room & c/a Walk to Woodward & c/a Downtown \$575/mo (248) 626 1069

FERNDALE Amazing & large 2 bed lower in great area Wood floors c/a fireplace new kitchen breakfast room finished basement laundry garage Nice yard! Too much to mention A MUST SEE! \$995 + utilities (248) 548 5946

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Pool appliances & water included New windows/car port \$995 248 318 7656

CLASSIFIEDS THAT WORK FOR YOU! 1-800-579-SELL

W. BLOOMFIELD 1 & 2 Bedroom Apts Air Conditioning Pets Welcome Dishwasher Microwave Vertical Blinds Carpets Available 2 Pools Fitness Center Furnished Apts Available \$100 Moves You In! BLOOMFIELD ON THE GREEN Orchard Lake & Middlebelt 248-682-2950 OPEN 7 DAYS • MON-FRI 8 30am-6 00pm • SAT 9am 5pm • SUN 12 5pm

DEARBORN HEIGHTS AREA Beautiful 1, 2 & 3 Bedroom 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH VILLA 24-Hour Gatehouse Pets Welcome Vertical Blinds Air Conditioning Fitness Center Swimming Pool Furnished Apts available \$100 MOVES YOU IN! Canterbury Woods APARTMENTS Open 7 Days Mon-Fri 8 30am-6 00pm Sat 9 00am-5 00pm Sun 12noon-5 00pm BEECH DALY SOUTH OF CHERRY HILL 313-562-3988

CANTON SPACIOUS 1 & 2 BEDROOM Washer/Dryer hook-up Self-cleaning oven Vertical Blinds Swimming Pool New Fitness Center Pets Welcome Furnished Apts Available \$1000 Moves You In! Autumn Ridge APARTMENTS Cherry Hill at I 275 734-397-1080 Open 7 Days Mon-Fri 8 30am-6 00pm Sat 9am 5pm Sun 12 5pm

FLATS BIRMINGHAM Downtown 2 bed updated kitchen liv ing/dining bath utilities paid No pets \$900 248 644 1708

BIRMINGHAM One bed upper flat w/living room & c/a Walk to Woodward & c/a Downtown \$575/mo (248) 626 1069

FERNDALE Amazing & large 2 bed lower in great area Wood floors c/a fireplace new kitchen breakfast room finished basement laundry garage Nice yard! Too much to mention A MUST SEE! \$995 + utilities (248) 548 5946

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Pool appliances & water included New windows/car port \$995 248 318 7656

BIRMINGHAM 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath Pool appliances & water included New windows/car port \$995 248 318 7656



Jobs and Careers

All Ads Run Online
FREE!
A Value Of Up To \$87.00
www.hometownlife.com

5000's Jobs and Careers

5000	Help Wanted-General	5300	Help Wanted-Entertainment
6010	Help Wanted-Computer/Info Systems	5320	Students
6020	Help Wanted-Office/Clerical	5340	Jobs Wanted
6030	Help Wanted-Engineering	5360	Female/Male
5040	Help Wanted-Dental	5370	Childcare/Babysitting
5060	Help Wanted-Food/Beverage	5380	Childcare-Needed
5100	Help Wanted-Health & Fitness	5400	Elderly Care & Assistance
5110	Help Wanted-Professional	5420	Nursing Care & Homes
5120	Help Wanted-Sales	5500	Summer Camps
5200	Help Wanted-Part Time	5600	Education/Instruction
5240	Help Wanted-Domestic	5620	Business & Professional Services
5260	Help Wanted-Couples	5700	Attorneys/Legal Counseling
		5720	Help Wanted-Tax Services
		5740	Business Opportunities

1-800-579-SELL

5000-5900

Employment
Inspire Your Talents

Help Wanted General 5000

PAINTERS NEEDED
Reliable Responsible Own Transportation
Call after 7pm 248 933 8964

CAKE DECORATOR
To work at our 14 Mile and Haggerty location
Experience necessary
Excellent pay
Full time position
Contact Jeff Bidoul or Mike Iagnemma
(248) 960-1990

Window Cleaners Wanted
Seeking full time employees
Experience preferred or will train
Must be 18 have current drivers license transportation insurance
Call 734-771 7721

AUTO HAULER
Exp preferred CDL
Class A local & long distance runs
Good pay & benefits
Phone resume (810) 632 2329

MANAGER FOR MIKE MODANO ICE ARENA CITY OF WESTLAND
Manager will be responsible for implementation of ice arena programs supervision and leadership of ice arena activities and supervision of ice arena personnel General duties include but are not limited to development of the budget long term capital improvement projects scheduling of programs and activities and all matters related to ice arena personnel Salary is commensurate to education and experience A full benefit package is available

AUTO PARTS COUNTER SALES CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

Auto Porter
needed for westside used car department Must be reliable with good driving record Apply to Jeff Bolter used car manager Livonia Chrysler Plymouth 30777 Plymouth Rd Livonia

AUTO SERVICE TIRE SALES
Canton Godyear looking for energetic sales people
Call Bob 734 776 9033

AUTO TECHNICIAN WANTED
suspension & brakes Mon-Fri 7:30-5:30 No Saturdays Full benefits Apply in person See Bruce & Harold's Frame Shop Inc 25959 W 8 Mile Rd Redford (313) 532-8590

Automotive Victory Honda is Growing
Due to increased business Victory Honda is accepting applications for the following positions:
• SERVICE TECHNICIANS
• SERVICE ADVISORS
Apply in person 315 Ann Arbor Rd Plymouth MI

Bowling Center Mechanic
Exp a must Day &/or night Westland area 734 641 8181 or Fax Resume 734 641 8665

CANTON WASTE RECYCLING
accepting applications for Drivers & Loaders 4 day work week Benefits & bonuses Call for times 734 397 5801 EOE

Accountant
HoMedics a large supplier of personal care products has a position available for a Senior Accountant with a BS in accounting and five years of general accounting/CPA experience using ERP software in a public and/or private environment Account reconciliation month end close financial statement preparation and systems implementation experience advance level skills in Excel Word and PowerPoint a must To be considered you must submit a resume with salary requirements to resume@homedics.com

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Accountant/Bookkeeper, Full-Charge
Exp in all facets of accounting including work papers & journal entries Computer exp & the ability to handle multiple projects with minimal supervision Exc benefits Send resume & salary requirements to Box 0813 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150
E-mail: employment@hometownlife.com (Reference Code 0813)

Help Wanted General 6000

CANVASSERS
Home Improvement Co is hiring full time in Canvassing Dept Sales exp helpful Door to Door apt setting for free estimates Hrvy + commission 401K Kevin 248 478 8600

Help Wanted General 6000

CAREGIVERS
Waltonwood at University a luxury retirement community in Rochester Hills is seeking competent reliable dedicated and experienced personnel to provide PART TIME and FULL TIME care services to older adults Some weekends may apply Please apply in person at 3250 Washton Blvd Rochester Hills MI 48309

Help Wanted General 6000

CARPENTER CROU WANTED
Must have tools & insurance Livingston/Oakland/Wayne 313 533 7070 517 548 1556

Help Wanted General 6000

CARPENTER WANTED
Minimum 3 years experience Good pay Bring good work attitude Troid 734 320 3605

Help Wanted General 6000

CARPENTER INSTALLER
For kitchen/remodeling firm Must have tools/truck Exc benefits Apply DeGulio Inc 15150 Century Dr Dearborn 313 271 4990 (www.begind.com)

Help Wanted General 6000

CARPENTERS
Established west side contractor looking for experienced Roughers Top pay Health insurance and retirement plan 248 684 0174

Help Wanted General 6000

CARPENTERS EXPERIENCED ONLY (734) 422-6216

Help Wanted General 6000

CARPENTERS
Rough framing min 2 yrs experience Good pay 40 hrs Full time applicants only 810 343 2932

Help Wanted General 6000

CDL DRIVERS
to drive construction equipment & work on small concrete crew Benefits DCAI Inc 248 684 2500 or fax resume to 248 684 5331

Help Wanted General 6000

CHEMICAL & FLUIDS BLENDING
Full time days Benefits Mature references exc attendance Wixom MI Fax resume to 248-449 4204

Help Wanted General 6000

CHEMIST
With Plating Exp Exc salary benefit profit sharing Send resume to 313 341 0315 or call between 12 & 3 at 313 341 4781

Help Wanted General 6000

Child Care School Aged
for Farmington YMCA Part time Site Director/Assistant positions \$7 \$9 19/hr 248 553 4020

Help Wanted General 6000

CHIMNEY SWEEPS
\$60 \$100+ per wk Will train Truck & ladder required 734 416 0800

Help Wanted General 6000

CLEANING OFFICES
nights in Canton & Plymouth Mon-Fri 8pm-2am 30 hrs/wk Over time pay for weekends Paid vacat ions \$8 \$50/hr to start 313 292 7842

Help Wanted General 6000

CLEANING PERSON & GROUNDSKEEPER
needed for a luxury apartment community in Farmington Hills Please fax resume to 248 474 1966 or apply in person at Madison at Farmington Hills 27517 Gateway Drive East Farmington Hills MI 48334

Help Wanted General 6000

CONSTRUCTION/GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT
Asphalt paving contractor has an immediate opening for an energetic motivated and organized construction/general superintendent Responsibilities include supervision coordination and management of all field operations Competitive salary and benefit package Please submit resumes to Barrett Paving Mater als Inc 5800 Cherry Hill Road Ypsilanti MI 48198 FAX 734-483 4774 bpmimwm@aol.com Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted General 6000

Consumer Relations Representative
HoMedics a large supplier of personal care products has an opening for a Consumer Relations Rep Proficient letter writing skills good verbal communication PC knowledge and previous call center experience required Bilingual (Spanish) a plus Competitive salary and excellent benefits including 401(k) Send resume with salary requirements to resume@homedics.com

Help Wanted General 6000

CURVES FOR WOMEN
30 minute fitness center hiring part time staff Must have flexible days/eves hrs some 1/2 day Sats req Westland Livonia Energetic self motivated & loves to work w/people Sales included Apply in person 8323 North Wayne Rd Westland across from Art Van or 33723 5 Mile Road Livonia Call 734 458 5004

Help Wanted General 6000

CUSTOM 2150 sq ft Cape Cod
Masonry upgrades Large deck acreage 24x36 barn Possible in law suite Horses allowed \$450 000 By owner By appt (248) 488 5314

Help Wanted General 6000

CUSTOMER SERVICE REP (2)
For growing co in Madison Heights No weekends Full benefit package 401K Contact Jan at (248) 588-6663

Help Wanted General 6000

Community Work Opportunities SUPERVISOR AND ASSISTANT SUPERVISOR
Day program in Canton serving developmentally disabled consumers Day shifts Mon-Fri Possess good leadership skills Good pay and benefits Call (313) 458 6140

Help Wanted General 6000

DIRECT CARE / JOB COACH
Must have MOCR or CLS training Must possess valid driver's license with insurance good driving record (248) 474 9973

Help Wanted General 6000

DIRECT CARE GIVERS
for day & afternoon shifts in Northville & Farmington \$7.30 to \$7.80/hr Call Cynthia at 248 980 3305

Help Wanted General 6000

DIRECT CARE GIVERS
for midnight shift in Dearborn Heights Lifting required \$7.30 \$7.80 per hr Call Gann at 248 980 3309

Help Wanted General 6000

DIRECT CARE STAFF POSITIONS
In Dearborn Heights and/or Belleville group home Days afternoons midnights and/or weekends Must have current drivers license with good driving record Will train Call 566 296 3179

Help Wanted General 6000

Direct Care Positions
available working with people in their homes competitive pay & benefits all shifts paid training great people meaningful work 734 728 4201

Help Wanted General 6000

DRIVER CDL-A Specialized Automotive Transport
Leader in Specialized Automotive Transportation seeking local driver for OH OH Local family owned and operated team environment
We Require:
• Minimum 1 yr auto hauling or related experience
• Three years commercial driving experience
• Clean driver record
• Customer service oriented
We Offer:
• Competitive Wage plus O.T.
• Paid Vacation and Personal Days
• Group Health Insurance
• Pension Plan
If you meet our minimum requirements Driver Requiring Fred at 800 521 6593 ext 6212

Help Wanted General 6000

Drivers & Parts Dismantlers
Local company seeking tow truck drivers front loader drivers and parts dismantlers Experience preferred Call (734) 482 4670 or fax (734) 482 7150 or email Wallstreettowing@aol.com

Help Wanted General 6000

DRYWALL & REPAIRS
painting skills necessary Must have reliable transportation Call between 9 3 248 557 7055

Help Wanted General 6000

TEACHER
JVS has a part time position (Tues & Thurs) for a creative individual to develop and implement a new program providing social and learning experiences to help older adults enhance their memory Teaching social work or gerontology background preferred Bachelor's degree required Please send resume w/salary requirements to JVS Human Resources 29699 Southfield Rd Southfield MI 48078 FAX 248 552 7097 EOE

Help Wanted General 6000

ELECTRICAL CHECKER
Must possess adequate knowledge of electrical circuits and components to make repairs and/or identify problems High school graduate with 2 years of formal electronics education One year of work experience troubleshooting necessary Health care dental 401k plus incen tives included Apply in person 9 30am 4pm Diamond Systems 23400 Haggerty Rd Farmington Hills MI 48335 Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted General 6000

ENGRAVER/DESIGNER
Have hand engraving design sales talents? Trophy & awards dept needs hands on mgrs for current & new sales Work w/CoridRAW Vision Pro Benefits Send Resume salary needs to McNish Sport 44480 G River Novi MI 48375 or fax 248 348 4870

Help Wanted General 6000

Event Coordinator
National health agency western Wayne county is seeking a goal oriented motivated professional to initiate and implement community fundraising programs coordinate special events prospect and recruit corporate and community support Position requires sales good communication fundraising / event coordination public speaking and organization skills Some travel evenings and weekends Vehicle required Excellent benefits EOE/M/F Email resume and salary requirements to detroitregion@causa.org No phone calls please

Help Wanted General 6000

FOOD RUNNERS College Students Homemakers Seniors
Are you looking for part time work? Do you need a flexible schedule? hotfood2you.com is looking for food runners to help deliver food to local businesses You must have a good driving record with your own transportation interested parties please fax your resume to 734-427 4867 or email matthew@hotfood2you.com

Help Wanted General 6000

FORK LIFT OPERATOR
Wayne based building material (lumber) distributor seeks full time Fork Lift Driver / Load Builder Must be team player & possess good math aptitude Please fax resume attn Bob S at 734 595 3128 EOE

Help Wanted General 6000

FRONT DESK STAFF
Friendly energetic Applications available at BirminghamYMCA or call 248 644 9036

Help Wanted General 6000

GATEHOUSE ATTENDANT
Part time for Dearborn Heights area interested parties Great opportunity for night person Please call (313) 562 3988

Help Wanted General 6000

HAIR CARE
John Ryan Associates needs friendly outgoing stylists to service our growing clientele in Farmington Warren & Livonia Call 1 800 552-4870

Help Wanted General 6000

HAIR STYLIST & NAIL TECH
w/some clientele 9/Middlebelt Farmington Hills Salon Call Sun Mon 248 344 1692

Help Wanted General 6000

HEATING & COOLING
Experienced installers wanted for rough & duct work and service Call 248 615 3690

Help Wanted General 6000

HOUSE CLEANERS
Up to \$10/hr Mon thru Fri days Car required 4902 Dewitt #101 Canton 734 394 1771

Help Wanted General 6000

HOUSE MANAGER
Village Oak adult foster care located in Nov. Fax resume to 734 722 9521 Or Call 734 658 9920

Help Wanted General 6000

JAVA PROGRAMMER
National fulfillment company seeks motivated and experienced Java programmer for web application development Must possess the ability to develop maintain and enhance corporate web applications Key skill areas are Java Apache Tomcat and HTML Interested parties should email resume and salary requirements to jobs@dataparkservices.com

Help Wanted General 6000

JOIN OUR TEAM AT THE RADISSON KINGSLEY HOTEL
Newly renovated Upscale Hotel for friendly outgoing people to join our team Now hiring for the following positions
• Front Desk Attendant Full Time
• Bell Staff
• Maintenance Tech
• Front Office Manager
We offer great working environment along w/ envrnt wages meals health insurance 401k and paid holidays!
Apply in person or send/ fax resume to

Help Wanted General 6000

MORTGAGE LOAN OFFICER
Earn up to 70% commission sion Great processing Beautiful office Total support Benefits after 90 days All this & leads too Must have mortgage exp or strong sales background Call David Burke @ 248/851 2233 or fax resume to 248/851 2280 TEAM LENDING CONCEPTS FARMINGTON HILLS

Help Wanted General 6000

OFFICE CLEANING
Eves 2 1/2 hrs Mon-Fri Troy Southfield & Livonia areas Adept 248 615 9554

Help Wanted General 6000

PAINTER'S ASSISTANT
Experience preferred but will train Call (248) 787 6400

Help Wanted General 6000

PART-TIME SERVICE REP
Required to operate industrial recycling system sample collection & analysis 15 25 hours per week Ideal for retiree Toll free 1 888 632 5410 extension 8

Help Wanted General 6000

RECRUITER
F O R T U N E PERSONNEL Consultants of Detroit Inc We are nation wide attorney placement specialist looking for a recruiter The successful candidate will be competitive articulate organized & assertive Sales experience a plus Compensation on commission based with training and benefits provided
Mark L Schwartz 17515 W Nine Mile #770 Southfield MI 48075 email: info@fpdnet.com www.fpdnet.com

Help Wanted General 6000

REGIONAL MANAGER
Suburban Detroit management company has an opening for a regional manager to supervise multiple residential locations We are looking for a strong individual with great people skills and an ability to get the job done Wage package includes great benefits with medical and 401(k) processing Competitive PHA/VA Sub Prime using DU & LP
EXCELLENT PAY AND BENEFITS for the right person We are a Lender (not a broker) with in house underwriting Opportunity to enjoy coming to work everyday!
Call Michele @ 734 432 1313 or FAX Resume to 734 432 3011 CONFIDENTIAL

Help Wanted General 6000

RADISSON KINGSLEY HOTEL
39475 Woodward Ave Bloomfield Hills MI Fax # 248-644-6449 EOE

Help Wanted General 6000

LABORERS & CONCRETE FINISHERS
Immediate positions available (734) 459 0894

Help Wanted General 6000

LEASING CONSULTANT
needed for Farmington Hills Apartment Community Full time salary & benefits Must have outgoing personality Fax resume to 248-474 7043 or e mail to fairmontparkapts@bezbak.com Fairmont Park Apartments Located on the northeast corner of 9 Mile & Drake 248 474 2510

Help Wanted General 6000

LEASING CONSULTANT
with exp for weekends excel lent working environment Start immediately Fax resume to 734 661 1318

Help Wanted General 6000

Loan Processor/Assistant
Submit & process mortgage loan applications for medium sized office Competitive salary bonus & health care Training provided for motivated applicants Call to apply to 734 632 0280

Help Wanted General 6000

MAINTENANCE
For general maintenance at mid size community in Dearborn Hgts Depend able person needed Full time benefits included Call (313) 274 4765 Fax (313) 274 7534

Help Wanted General 6000

MAINTENANCE PERSON
For apt community in the metro area Building trades exp necessary Good salary & benefits Please fax resume to 248-352-6737

Help Wanted General 6000

MANAGER POSITION
Full Time Benefits avail Westwood Village Apts Call 734 459 6800

Help Wanted General 6000

MANAGER
Property management seeks a highly motivated Community Manager for Plymouth apartment community Must have proven track record in customer relations with strong organizational skills and a minimum 1 year experience in management Great benefits package including 401(k) and on site apartment available Seno resume to Community Manager P.O. Box 248 Southfield MI 48075 or fax (248) 569 1508

Help Wanted General 6000

MANAGER NEEDED
For small apt community in metro area Compensation to include an apartment & salary Exp opportunity for someone on a fixed income or with a flexible work schedule Must have maintenance/leasing exp Please fax your resume or letter of introduction to 248-352-6737

Help Wanted General 6000

MASSAGE THERAPIST NAIL TECH ESTHETICIANS HAIR STYLISTS
Full time Saturday reg Spa Juliana 415 S Main St Plymouth MI 734-455 4442

Help Wanted General 6000

MATURE PERSON
for body shop Cleaning & light maintenance Must have valid drivers license Apply in person 24455 Telegraph Southfield

Help Wanted General 6000

MECHANIC/REPAIRMAN
for heavy metal industry Must have own tools Will consider training right person 248 684 0555 Email qualitystep to gngs@comcast.net

Help Wanted General 6000

MERCHANDISER
For Post Graduate care for fovee & create displays from April to June Flexible hours w/ train Master Gardener welcome Phone 734 231 8432

Help Wanted General 6000

MORTGAGE COMPANY
Seeking experienced only Processor Part time into full time Salary + bonus or commission Fax to John 734 402 2522

Help Wanted General 6000

Mortgage Loan Processor
Hometown Mortgage Lending in Livonia seeks experienced processor to fill lead processing position Great atmosphere with a true team environment Experienced loan processor capable of processing Conventional FHA/VA Sub Prime using DU & LP

Help Wanted General 6000

EXCELLENT PAY AND BENEFITS
for the right person We are a Lender (not a broker) with in house underwriting Opportunity to enjoy coming to work everyday!
Call Michele @ 734 432 1313 or FAX Resume to 734 432 3011 CONFIDENTIAL

Help Wanted General 6000

MORTGAGE LOAN OFFICER
Earn up to 70% commission sion Great processing Beautiful office Total support Benefits after 90 days All this & leads too Must have mortgage exp or strong sales background Call David Burke @ 248/851 2233 or fax resume to 248/851 2280 TEAM LENDING CONCEPTS FARMINGTON HILLS

Help Wanted General 6000

OFFICE CLEANING
Eves 2 1/2 hrs Mon-Fri Troy Southfield & Livonia areas Adept 248 615 9554

Help Wanted General 6000

PAINTER'S ASSISTANT
Experience preferred but will train Call (248) 787 6400

Help Wanted General 6000

PART-TIME SERVICE REP
Required to operate industrial recycling system sample collection & analysis 15 25 hours per week Ideal for retiree Toll free 1 888 632 5410 extension 8

Help Wanted General 6000

RECRUITER
F O R T U N E PERSONNEL Consultants of Detroit Inc We are nation wide attorney placement specialist looking for a recruiter The successful candidate will be competitive articulate organized & assertive Sales experience a plus Compensation on commission based with training and benefits provided
Mark L Schwartz 17515 W Nine Mile #770 Southfield MI 48075 email: info@fpdnet.com www.fpdnet.com

Help Wanted General 6000

REGIONAL MANAGER
Suburban Detroit management company has an opening for a regional manager to supervise multiple residential locations We are looking for a strong individual with great people skills and an ability to get the job done Wage package includes great benefits with medical and 401(k) processing Competitive PHA/VA Sub Prime using DU & LP
EXCELLENT PAY AND BENEFITS for the right person We are a Lender (not a broker) with in house underwriting Opportunity to enjoy coming to work everyday!
Call Michele @ 734 432 1313 or FAX Resume to 734 432 3011 CONFIDENTIAL

Help Wanted General 6000

RADISSON KINGSLEY HOTEL
39475 Woodward Ave Bloomfield Hills MI Fax # 248-644-6449 EOE

Help Wanted General 6000

LABORERS & CONCRETE FINISHERS
Immediate positions available (734) 459 0894

Help Wanted General



Jobs and Careers

All Ads Run Online
FREE!
A Value Of Up To \$87.00
www.hometownlife.com

Office Clerical 5020
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Property management firm Must be familiar with all areas of office work Computer & organizational skills necessary Please send resumes to Box 0818 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150

ASSISTANT PROPERTY MANAGER/COUPLE
Professional experienced person or couple to assist in running a Detroit River front apartment community Day to day responsibilities plus marketing of apartments Experience required in property management marketing and computers Good salary & benefits Fax resume to 248 851 7414 Call back in 2 days

BOOKKEEPER - Part Time
9am-3pm weekdays Located in Redford/APAR proficient in Quickbooks Fax resume to 313 538 0077

This Classification continues in Section C

Bookkeeper/Office Manager
for small firm proficient w/accounting software programs exc communication skills needed Generous compensation & benefits Resume Mr Stern 39500 Highgate Blvd #450 Novi MI 48375 Fax 248 347 4444

CAR BILLER/TITLE CLERK
Excellent pay & benefits Experience is required Send resume to Varsity Lincoln Mercury Inc PO Box 633 Novi MI 48376 0633 Or phone Kevin at (248)465 8223

CUSTOMER SERVICE/TELEPHONE SALES
An established and well recognized bottler and distributor of water products is looking for talented individuals to work at its Plymouth location Responsibilities include taking incoming calls from customers data entry and dependability No evenings and minimal weekends Daily wage + commission great benefit package including 401K

Send resume to Telephone Sales #11 P.O. BOX 701248 PLYMOUTH MI 48170

Or fax resume to 734 416 3810 e-mail hr.manufacturing@hotmail.com EOE

Office Clerical 5020
OFFICE ASSISTANT
Part time Mon-Fri days for human services office in Canton entry level Need good communication skills ability to operate communication equipment including computer skills \$8.50 per hour Submit application at 32231 Schoolcraft Rd Ste 200 Livonia (734) 458 8140

OFFICE ASSISTANT
Small Livonia Co has immediate opening for a part time office assistant to handle customer service collections data entry & clerical support Mon-Fri flexible hrs Excellent computer & phone skills a must Fax resume & salary history to 734 422 8640

OFFICE MANAGER Part time for interior design studio Ferndale Quickbooks exp req Fax 248 548 8650 (248) 548 3770

OFFICE/CLERICAL
Job available in our Westland office doing clerical work or answering telephone Full time Mon-Fri 9am-5pm 734 728 4572

RECEPTIONIST
Full time for Berkeley personal injury law firm Computer knowledge helpful Fax resume to 248 591 2304 or email to blbound@olsmanlaw.com

SECRETARIAL ASSISTANT
Part time permanent position with small fundraising organization in Bloomfield Hills good phone manner accurate typing and computer skills are musts Call 248 540 8900

SECRETARY
Position at busy law office Some computer experience required Send resume to Charles Schneider PC 39315 Plymouth Rd #1 Livonia MI 48150 or fax 734 591 4893

SECRETARY
Full time experience in computer must have good customer service and phone skills Apply at Delet Door 29500 N Mile Farmington Hills MI or call 248 615 7788

SECRETARY EXPERIENCED
Part time Pleasant atmosphere Call 248 349 2290 or Fax 248 349 2885

VETERINARY RECEPTIONIST
Full time Experienced only need apply Please apply in person and bring resume to 29212 5 Mile Rd ask for Eva

Dental 5040
DENTAL ASSISTANT
Full time for a busy pediatric dental office in Novi Minimum 1 year general dentistry experience required Need detail oriented friendly outgoing person No evens some Sats Benefits 248 478 3232

DENTAL ASSISTANT
West Dearborn office searching for an experienced & caring dental assistant to join our practice Must have superior dental & people skills Please fax resume to (313) 563 1384

DENTAL ASSISTANT full time for busy oral surgery office in Bingham Farms Benefits Hours Mon-Thurs 8:30am-Fri 7am-4pm Fax resume to 248 642 6387

Dental Assistant/Registered
License a must For upscale dental office in Southfield Great pay & bonuses Fax resumes to 248 357 6014

DENTAL HYGIENIST
Positive minded Hygienist needed for Thursdays 12-7pm Dearborn Hts office 313 562 7212

DENTAL PATIENT/COORDINATOR
Full time Dental & computer experience required Laura Park Livonia Excellent environment Send Resume 734 464 4778

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST
Full time experienced for office in Wayne Must be dependable w/exc communication skills Dental assisting a plus Fax resume to 734 722 5240

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST/POST TREATMENT SECRETARY
Full time benefits Experienced with knowledge of dentistry computers insurance Some evenings & Saturdays Southfield area Call Marie (248) 352 7722

FRONT DESK/Exp preferred
Assisting exp a plus F/T PT Fax resume (248) 478 8798 Call (248) 224 7111

Medical 5060
Assistant Administrator/Office Manager
Also P/T RN/LPN Carever Livonia AL Word Excel supervisory exp a must 248 802 9899/fax 248 347 4555

CHIROPRACTIC OFFICE
in W Bloomfield looking for energetic people person to handle our front desk part time Computer knowledge a must as well as an outgoing personality Call Dr Johnson for an appt 313 300 5244 or fax resume 248 626 3455

CNA
Part Full Time Available Days & Afternoons West T a Nursing Center Med edge o Plymouth Contact Joanne at (734) 453 3983

CUSTOMER CARE REPRESENTATIVE
Mitchell Home Medical a fast growing medical supply co has a great immediate full time opportunity for the right person located at our corporate office in Ypsilanti We are seeking an outgoing individual for a fast paced DME order intake department from our referral sources and patients by phone Exp with insurance verifications HCPC & ICD 9 codes and computers all a must! Great social and communication skills required! Benefits including 401K Fax resume Attn: Maureen @ 734 572 0281

DIRECT CARE STAFF
Full/part time afternoons Benefits available for full time WCLS trained only Livonia area Contact Debbie at 734 524 1361

Medical 5060
IN TAKE SCHEDULING COORDINATOR
Full time Must have experience & good customer service skills for very fast paced home care agency in Southfield Call Jamie or Pat 866 935 3385 or fax resume to 248 424 7240

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST / ASSISTANT
EXPERIENCE ONLY! needed approximately 30 hrs for busy podiatrist office Fax resume to 248 474 0575

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Southfield G1 office exp req in Remede Hepatitis & Endoscopy Multi skilled Please send resume to memam@comcast.net

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Full time position for experienced MA/family practice in Livonia Injections EKG X rays preferred Fax resume to 248 474 4224

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
for Internal Medicine/GI office With benefits With experience Fax resume 734 462 9341 or mail 19254 Newburgh Livonia MI 48152

MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Full time experienced needed for internal medicine office Northville/Livonia area Fax resume 248 449 8205

MEDICAL ASSISTANT & RECEPTIONIST Full time Pediatric Southfield Fax resume 248 539 1924

MEDICAL ASSISTANT LPN NEEDED
For W Bloomfield medical office 30-35 hours/week Experienced professional staff Excellent salary BCBS + childcare benefit Fax resume to 248 932 0182

Medical Assistant/Full Time
for physican's office in Farmington Hills Email resume medjobs4@aol.com

MEDICAL BILLER for physican's office in Farmington Hills Immediate opening Email resume medjobs4@aol.com

Medical Receptionist
Experienced for busy doctor's office in Rochester/Troy area Excellent salary benefits & working environment Full or Part time Please send resumes to Observer & Eccentric c/o Box 0806 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150 or email oerume@oe.hometown.net (0806)

OPTICAL LAB
Full and part time with benefits Exp needed in Rochester/Optical Ray 248 553 8270

Patient Account Rep
For a great multi state group hys an pactice head quartered in a mngton H's Succesfull candidate v l have m n cum 2 years collect on experience Fax time available! Competitive sa y & benefits including 401 K Fax resume to (248) 893 0510

PHLEBOTOMIST
Full time temporary (6 Months) Phlebotomist position for Clinical Research Phlebotomy experience required Good communication skills

Submit resume to American Red Cross P.O. Box 33351 Detroit MI 48232 An AAEOE M/F/D/V

PHYSICAL THERAPY TECH
Part time position in Livonia Mon-Fri 2-7pm Exp or will train Salary neg Fax resume 734 462 3831

Medical 5060
REGISTERED PHYSICAL THERAPIST
Westland area competitive salary (810) 231 9787

SECRETARY Medical billing transcription experience required Flexible work schedule Positive pleasant work setting Suburban mental health clinic Please send resume to MAPLE PARK OFFICE CENTER 6016 W Maple Rd Ste 701 West Bloomfield MI 48322

Supervisor Case Coordination
JVS has a full time position available in Southfield for a candidate that has certification in social work or is a Registered Occupational Therapist (OTR) At least one year of supervisory and program coordination experience required Experience working with adults who have disabilities and traumatic brain injuries Valid MI driver's license required Please send resume w/salary requirements to JVS Human Resources 29699 Southfield Rd Southfield MI 48076 FAX 248 552 7097 EOE

THERAPISTS Pts/OTs/PTAs
needed for outpatient rehab clinics in area senior communities Full & part time Northville / Westland Southfield Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti & Adlan Fax resume to 586 268 7990 attn Karl

Food/Beverage/Restaurant 5080
TEAM LEADER
Aramark a leader in managed services at U of M Dearborn searching for a team leader for Java City a specialty coffee concept Responsibility include but not limited to supervising & training staff Strong customer service skills Hours are late afternoon through evening Starting wage \$9 Benefit package includes paid vacations & holidays 401k medical & dental EOE M/F Apply in person at 4901 Evergreen 1133 University Center Dearborn

We always find the best stuff in the Observer & Eccentric!

THE EMBERS STEAKHOUSE
A full service restaurant and banquet facility in Dearborn Hts is now hiring for all positions Please apply in person Feb 26 28 9am-6pm at 26207 W Warren (W of Beech Daly) (313) 278 3066

WAIT STAFF Full/Part Time Apply within 2 4pm Mark or Josh Thomas's Family Dining 33971 Plymouth Rd Livonia

WAITSTAFF Exp Part/full time Apply at Jon's Goodme Bar & Grill 27553 Cherry Hill Just W of Inkster Rd

Sales 5120
#1 and We Can Prove It
CENTURY 21 Real Estate Corp was recently named the #1 Real Estate franchise by Entrepreneur magazines Franchise 500

CENTURY 21 Town & Country is the #1 franchise in the United States Why wouldn't you work here? After you're licensed we have extensive training for full time agents with a full time professional trainer a commission program second to none and an agent first program with many benefits to our agents Turn on reimbursement possible

Call Tim Reilly 705 S Ma St Plymouth MI (734) 456 5600

ATTENTION new, experienced and DUAL CAREER AGENTS
Transferring from your current career to Real Estate does not have to be difficult We have the answer Join our Dual Career Team on Centa Today Special Training Live on Open 27 Center Call Victor Saeno at (248) 347 3050 ext 422

AUTO SALES NEW & USED CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

CALL CENTER MANAGER
Home Improvement Co is looking for a Telemarketing Manager Mon-Fri 9 & Sat 10-5 Sales & management exp required Must have strong communication skills be mature energetic responsible & detail oriented Must be able to problem solve & multi task Offers high salary + commission 401K Call Karen at 248 478 8600

CANVASSERS Exp'd Guaranteed salary + commission Kroll Construction (734) 422 4840

CRUISE/TOUR SALES
Will train exp or natural born sales people to sell vacations to incoming calls No cold calling \$8 per hr + commissions averaging \$500 \$1300/mo with \$2500 per mo potential 30-40 hrs/wk Dearborn 313 278 4100 ymvacations.com

Sales 5120
EXCITING CAREER IN MOTORCYCLE SALES
Motor City Harley Davidson Michigan's Largest Dealer is looking for an experienced sales person to join our team If you're a rider and have the passion don't miss this opportunity to join our winning team We're looking for the best If you're that person apply now at

34900 Grand River Farmington Hills MI

FLOOR COVERING SALESPERSON
Experienced sales person with builder trade experience to call on established accounts and generate new leads Outstanding earnings potential Salary plus commission excellent benefit package Call Dennis Riemer at Riemer Floors Inc 248 353 4050 or visit us at our website www.riemerfloors.com

Inside Sales/ Customer Service Rep
Full Time Duties Inside Sales/Order Entry/Customer Service Building Materials experience preferred Email resume to Controller at jwisniewski@lenovers.com or fax to 734 427 0986

Don't take a chance....

..place your ad in The Observer & Eccentric Classifieds today!

1-800-579-SELL

#1 and We Can Prove It
CENTURY 21 Real Estate Corp was recently named the #1 Real Estate franchise by Entrepreneur magazines Franchise 500

CENTURY 21 Town & Country is the #1 franchise in the United States Why wouldn't you work here? After you're licensed we have extensive training for full time agents with a full time professional trainer a commission program second to none and an agent first program with many benefits to our agents Turn on reimbursement possible

Call Tim Reilly 705 S Ma St Plymouth MI (734) 456 5600

ATTENTION new, experienced and DUAL CAREER AGENTS
Transferring from your current career to Real Estate does not have to be difficult We have the answer Join our Dual Career Team on Centa Today Special Training Live on Open 27 Center Call Victor Saeno at (248) 347 3050 ext 422

AUTO SALES NEW & USED CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

CALL CENTER MANAGER
Home Improvement Co is looking for a Telemarketing Manager Mon-Fri 9 & Sat 10-5 Sales & management exp required Must have strong communication skills be mature energetic responsible & detail oriented Must be able to problem solve & multi task Offers high salary + commission 401K Call Karen at 248 478 8600

CANVASSERS Exp'd Guaranteed salary + commission Kroll Construction (734) 422 4840

CRUISE/TOUR SALES
Will train exp or natural born sales people to sell vacations to incoming calls No cold calling \$8 per hr + commissions averaging \$500 \$1300/mo with \$2500 per mo potential 30-40 hrs/wk Dearborn 313 278 4100 ymvacations.com

Sales 5120
REAL ESTATE AGENTS
A CAREER IN REAL ESTATE!

ALL REAL ESTATE COMPANIES ARE NOT THE SAME
If you are serious about entering the business and profession of Real Estate Sales you owe it to yourself to investigate why we are #1 in the market place and best suited to insure your success

*#1 Rated Franchise System

*Continuous Individualized Training

*100% Commission Plan

*Group Health Coverage

*Free Pre Licensing

*Latest Technical Computer Programs

Enable You To Have The Competitive Advantage

*Unsurpassed Local and National Advertising Exposure

DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE
Call Jim Stevens or Alissa Nead

GOLDWELL BANKER'S

PREFERRED REALTORS (734)459-6000

REAL ESTATE AGENTS
A NEW CAREER?
REAL ESTATE IS BOOMING Excellent Commissions Great Training DOUG COURTNEY

REMERICA

HOMETOWN (734) 459 8222

REAL ESTATE Sales Professionals Find out what a career in Real Estate can do for you!

Attend an upcoming REAL ESTATE CAREER SEMINAR

Tues March 2 @ 7:00 PM
Tues March 16 @ 7:00 PM

Call Tricia to reserve your seat
734 464 6400 or email tispase@cent21.biz

Century 21
Hartford South Inc
www.cent21.biz

REAL ESTATE SALES THINKING OF CHANGING CAREERS? LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENCE AND CONTROL OVER YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE?
Real Estate just may be your answer. Comprehensive training and support provided so you can reach your goals 734 455 6000

Weir Manuel Snyder & Ranke
500 S Ma St Plymouth

SALES PERSON Must have home improvement sales exp Great earning potential Call (313) 386 4444

Sales Representative
Fast growing electronic safety systems and controls co seeks an aggressive individual for our southeastern Michigan territory Candidate must possess 2-4 years experience with working knowledge of circuit diagrams ladder logic etc Salary \$30 000-\$35 000 commissions benefits and expenses Fax resume to Mr James at 734 467 7311

SEARCHING FOR A NEW DIRECTION?
Why not become a member of the oldest and largest family owned real estate company in Michigan We invite you to explore this exciting opportunity in downtown Birmingham by calling 248 644 6700

Your Future's Here
Real Estate One with over 30 innovative offices has career opportunities you owe it to yourself to explore Start today by attending a free seminar Call Sandy at 248 208 2917 for the nearest location Ask about our Signing Bonus

Real Estate One

Part-time 5200
GREAT PART TIME MONEY!
Weekend directional sign installers needed for Sat am & Sun pm Steady part time work for \$15+ hour no heavy lifting Must have a pickup truck or trailer Call (866) 420 5157 ext 102 anytime for immediate consideration!

JANITORIAL EVENINGS
Person or couple to clean offices in Auburn Hills \$8 to start Ward 734 524 5656

PART TIME RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY
Livonia Real Estate Company seeking office assistant for 2 or 3 days from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. & Sundays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Computer & general office skills necessary Will train for specific tasks & multi-line telephone Call (734) 452 3000

REAL-ESTATE at it's best!
Observer & Eccentric

Domestic 5240
CAREGIVER needed immediately for paralyzed man Must be kind strong and able to assist in lifting Top pay for exp person Call today 248 553 0028 EOE

CAREGIVER Midnights needed immediately for paralyzed man Must be kind strong and able to assist in lifting Top pay for experienced person Call today 248 553 0028 EOE

It's no gamble when you advertise in The Observer & Eccentric Classifieds!

1-800-579-7355

ELDERLY CARE seeking experienced female 3 day live in Northville 248 625 6396

Child Care Services-Licensed 5360

LIVONIA 4 full time openings for ages 6 wks to 5 yrs Lots of fun TLC and learning! Meals incl CALL NOW! Nancy 734 513 3461

Child Care & Babysitting Services 5370

13 YRS OF EXP Full or part time avail Mon-Fri 7-6 Meals & snacks included Laura 248 477 5825

DAYCARE FULL/PART TIME in My Livonia home infants pre school only References available Call (248) 476 5376

EXP MOM/GRAMA team providing quality childcare for infants & up Full/part time avail 6am-6pm CPR certified N Dearborn Heights Jennifer (313) 724 0428

Child Care Needed 5380

BABYSITTER Westland home to assist with 3 mo old boys 6:30am-2:30pm Mon-Fri \$4/hr 734 983 4066

CHILD CARE Exp & loving infant caregiver needed 3 days 9am-5pm in our Redford home to start April Reference required 313 532 7470

DAYCARE NEEDED in Livonia home weekends & nights Please call 734 525 7111

HOUSEKEEPER/CHILD CARE NEEDED in Livonia home Mon-Tues Wed 7-2 In Thurs hrs to change Ties & Juns 7-5:30 \$125/wk 734 612 1917

Attorney & Legal Counseling 5790

AID 4 DEBT 4 U
St essed over too many bills? Consider our bankruptcy Toll free 888 aid4deb (888 243 4332)

Business Opportunities 5740

LOOKING to increase my small vending machine business Need small candy machines Vending preferred (734) 414 9993

WORK AT HOME
www.cotnd.com
1 888 745 1731

Announcements & Notices 6200

LAS VEGAS NITE
Come out of the cold and into the hot spot Saturday night Feb 28 at the Finnish Center Our fun begins with Black Jack Maverick Draw roll your chances at the Crap table and come try our new game Let It Ride There will be cash prizes and free refreshments \$10 per person 8-12 mid night 35200 W 8 Mile Rd Farmington Hills 48335 For more info 248 478 6939

Legals & Accepting Bids 6220

BANKRUPTCY
House in Foreclosure? Garnishment? Rep Threat? Call Danton & Smyk for a FREE CONSULTATION and a FRESH START! Telegraph & 12 Mile 248 351 9311

Card of Thanks 6300

THANKSGIVING to ST JUDE O Holy St Jude Apostle & Martyr child in virtue & rich in the miracles near kinsman of Jesus Christ faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need To you I have recourse form the depth of my heart & humbly beg whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance Help in my present & urgent petition In return I promise to make your name known & cause you to be invoked St Jude pray for us all who invoke your name Amen Say three Our Fathers three Hail Marys three Glorias Publication must be promised Say this Novena for 9 consecutive days This Novena has never been known to fail M F

Lost & Found-Merchandise 6360

LOST & FOUND PETS
See Classification 7930

LEGAL SECRETARY & PARALEGAL
Top national trial firm is expanding and seeking superior legal secretaries and paralegals Must have at least 3 yrs experience in litigation Salary starting in thirties plus bonuses employer funded pension and great benefits Non smokers only

Send resume to Attention Human Resources 19390 W Ten Mile Rd Southfield MI 48075 or fax to (248) 355 5148

Legal Senior Secretary
For Southfield PI law firm Minimum 3 years experience Windows/Microsoft Word knowledge a must Salary commensurate with experience Send resume to Sherry Sinnott 2928 Crooks Road Royal Oak MI 48073

Medical 5060
Assistant Administrator/Office Manager
Also P/T RN/LPN Carever Livonia AL Word Excel supervisory exp a must 248 802 9899/fax 248 347 4555

CHIROPRACTIC OFFICE
in W Bloomfield looking for energetic people person to handle our front desk part time Computer knowledge a must as well as an outgoing personality Call Dr Johnson for an appt 313 300 5244 or fax resume 248 626 3455

CNA
Part Full Time Available Days & Afternoons West T a Nursing Center Med edge o Plymouth Contact Joanne at (734) 453 3983

CUSTOMER CARE REPRESENTATIVE
Mitchell Home Medical a fast growing medical supply co has a great immediate full time opportunity for the right person located at our corporate office in Ypsilanti We are seeking an outgoing individual for a fast paced DME order intake department from our referral sources and patients by phone Exp with insurance verifications HCPC & ICD 9 codes and computers all a must! Great social and communication skills required! Benefits including 401K Fax resume Attn: Maureen @ 734 572 0281

DIRECT CARE STAFF
Full/part time afternoons Benefits available for full time WCLS trained only Livonia area Contact Debbie at 734 524 1361

Medical 5060
REGISTERED PHYSICAL THERAPIST
Westland area competitive salary (810) 231 9787

SECRETARY Medical billing transcription experience required Flexible work schedule Positive pleasant work setting Suburban mental health clinic Please send resume to MAPLE PARK OFFICE CENTER 6016 W Maple Rd Ste 701 West Bloomfield MI 48322

Supervisor Case Coordination
JVS has a full time position available in Southfield for a candidate that has certification in social work or is a Registered Occupational Therapist (OTR) At least one year of supervisory and program coordination experience required Experience working with adults who have disabilities and traumatic brain injuries Valid MI driver's license required Please send resume w/salary requirements to JVS Human Resources 29699 Southfield Rd Southfield MI 48076 FAX 248 552 7097 EOE

THERAPISTS Pts/OTs/PTAs
needed for outpatient rehab clinics in area senior communities Full & part time Northville / Westland Southfield Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti & Adlan Fax resume to 586 268 7990 attn Karl

Food/Beverage/Restaurant 5080
TEAM LEADER
Aramark a leader in managed services at U of M Dearborn searching for a team leader for Java City a specialty coffee concept Responsibility include but not limited to supervising & training staff Strong customer service skills Hours are late afternoon through evening Starting wage \$9 Benefit package includes paid vacations & holidays 401k medical & dental EOE M/F Apply in person at 4901 Evergreen 1133 University Center Dearborn

We always find the best stuff in the Observer & Eccentric!

THE EMBERS STEAKHOUSE
A full service restaurant and banquet facility in Dearborn Hts is now hiring for all positions Please apply in person Feb 26 28 9am-6pm at 26207 W Warren (W of Beech Daly) (313) 278 3066

WAIT STAFF Full/Part Time Apply within 2 4pm Mark or Josh Thomas's Family Dining 33971 Plymouth Rd Livonia

WAITSTAFF Exp Part/full time Apply at Jon's Goodme Bar & Grill 27553 Cherry Hill Just W of Inkster Rd

Sales 5120
#1 and We Can Prove It
CENTURY 21 Real Estate Corp was recently named the #1 Real Estate franchise by Entrepreneur magazines Franchise 500

CENTURY 21 Town & Country is the #1 franchise in the United States Why wouldn't you work here? After you're licensed we have extensive training for full time agents with a full time professional trainer a commission program second to none and an agent first program with many benefits to our agents Turn on reimbursement possible

Call Tim Reilly 705 S Ma St Plymouth MI (734) 456 5600

ATTENTION new, experienced and DUAL CAREER AGENTS
Transferring from your current career to Real Estate does not have to be difficult We have the answer Join our Dual Career Team on Centa Today Special Training Live on Open 27 Center Call Victor Saeno at (248) 347 3050 ext 422

AUTO SALES NEW & USED CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

CALL CENTER MANAGER
Home Improvement Co is looking for a Telemarketing Manager Mon-Fri 9 & Sat 10-5 Sales & management exp required Must have strong communication skills be mature energetic responsible & detail oriented Must be able to problem solve & multi task Offers high salary + commission 401K Call Karen at 248 478 8600

CANVASSERS Exp'd Guaranteed salary + commission Kroll Construction (734) 422 4840

CRUISE/TOUR SALES
Will train exp or natural born sales people to sell vacations to incoming calls No cold calling \$8 per hr + commissions averaging \$500 \$1300/mo with \$2500 per mo potential 30-40 hrs/wk Dearborn 313 278 4100 ymvacations.com

Sales 5120
REAL ESTATE AGENTS
A CAREER IN REAL ESTATE!

ALL REAL ESTATE COMPANIES ARE NOT THE SAME
If you are serious about entering the business and profession of Real Estate Sales you owe it to yourself to investigate why we are #1 in the market place and best suited to insure your success

*#1 Rated Franchise System

*Continuous Individualized Training

*100% Commission Plan

*Group Health Coverage

*Free Pre Licensing

*Latest Technical Computer Programs

Enable You To Have The Competitive Advantage

*Unsurpassed Local and National Advertising Exposure

DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE
Call Jim Stevens or Alissa Nead

GOLDWELL BANKER'S

PREFERRED REALTORS (734)459-6000

REAL ESTATE AGENTS
A NEW CAREER?
REAL ESTATE IS BOOMING Excellent Commissions Great Training DOUG COURTNEY

REMERICA

HOMETOWN (734) 459 8222

REAL ESTATE Sales Professionals Find out what a career in Real Estate can do for you!

Attend an upcoming REAL ESTATE CAREER SEMINAR

Tues March 2 @ 7:00 PM
Tues March 16 @ 7:00 PM

Call Tricia to reserve your seat
734 464 6400 or email tispase@cent21.biz

Century 21
Hartford South Inc
www.cent21.biz

REAL ESTATE SALES THINKING OF CHANGING CAREERS? LOOKING FOR INDEPENDENCE AND CONTROL OVER YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE?
Real Estate just may be your answer. Comprehensive training and support provided so you can reach your goals 734 455 6000

Weir Manuel Snyder & Ranke
500 S Ma St Plymouth

SALES PERSON Must have home improvement sales exp Great earning potential Call (313) 386 4444

Sales Representative
Fast growing electronic safety systems and controls co seeks an aggressive individual for our southeastern Michigan territory Candidate must possess 2-4 years experience with working knowledge of circuit diagrams ladder logic etc Salary \$30 000-\$35 000 commissions benefits and expenses Fax resume to Mr James at 734 467 7311

SEARCHING FOR A NEW DIRECTION?
Why not become a member of the oldest and largest family owned real estate company in Michigan We invite you to explore this exciting opportunity in downtown Birmingham by calling 248 644 6700

Your Future's Here
Real Estate One with over 30 innovative offices has career opportunities you owe it to yourself to explore Start today by attending a free seminar Call Sandy at 248 208 2917 for the nearest location Ask about our Signing Bonus

Real Estate One

Part-time 5200
GREAT PART TIME MONEY!
Weekend directional sign installers needed for Sat am & Sun pm Steady part time work for \$15+ hour no heavy lifting Must have a pickup truck or trailer Call (866) 420 5157 ext 102 anytime for immediate consideration!

JANITORIAL EVENINGS
Person or couple to clean offices in Auburn Hills \$8 to start Ward 734 524 5656

PART TIME RECEPTIONIST/SECRETARY
Livonia Real Estate Company seeking office assistant for 2 or 3 days from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. & Sundays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Computer & general office skills necessary Will train for specific tasks & multi-line telephone Call (734) 452 3000

REAL-ESTATE at it's best!
Observer & Eccentric

Medical 5060
REGISTERED PHYSICAL THERAPIST
Westland area competitive salary (810) 231 9787

SECRETARY Medical billing transcription experience required Flexible work schedule Positive pleasant work setting Suburban mental health clinic Please send resume to MAPLE PARK OFFICE CENTER 6016 W Maple Rd Ste 701 West Bloomfield MI 48322

Supervisor Case Coordination
JVS has a full time position available in Southfield for a candidate that has certification in social work or is a Registered Occupational Therapist (OTR) At least one year of supervisory and program coordination experience required Experience working with adults who have disabilities and traumatic brain injuries Valid MI driver's license required Please send resume w/salary requirements to JVS Human Resources 29699 Southfield Rd Southfield MI 48076 FAX 248 552 7097 EOE

THERAPISTS Pts/OTs/PTAs
needed for outpatient rehab clinics in area senior communities Full & part time Northville / Westland Southfield Ann Arbor / Ypsilanti & Adlan Fax resume to 586 268 7990 attn Karl

Food/Beverage/Restaurant 5080
TEAM LEADER
Aramark a leader in managed services at U of M Dearborn searching for a team leader for Java City a specialty coffee concept Responsibility include but not limited to supervising & training staff Strong customer service skills Hours are late afternoon through evening Starting wage \$9 Benefit package includes paid vacations & holidays 401k medical & dental EOE M/F Apply in person at 4901 Evergreen 1133 University Center Dearborn

We always find the best stuff in the Observer & Eccentric!

THE EMBERS STEAKHOUSE
A full service restaurant and banquet facility in Dearborn Hts is now hiring for all positions Please apply in person Feb 26 28 9am-6pm at 26207 W Warren (W of Beech Daly) (313) 278 3066

WAIT STAFF Full/Part Time Apply within 2 4pm Mark or Josh Thomas's Family Dining 33971 Plymouth Rd Livonia

WAITSTAFF Exp Part/full time Apply at Jon's Goodme Bar & Grill 27553 Cherry Hill Just W of Inkster Rd

Sales 5120
#1 and We Can Prove It
CENTURY 21 Real Estate Corp was recently named the #1 Real Estate franchise by Entrepreneur magazines Franchise 500

CENTURY 21 Town & Country is the #1 franchise in the United States Why wouldn't you work here? After you're licensed we have extensive training for full time agents with a full time professional trainer a commission program second to none and an agent first program with many benefits to our agents Turn on reimbursement possible

Call Tim Reilly 705 S Ma St Plymouth MI (734) 456 5600

ATTENTION new, experienced and DUAL CAREER AGENTS
Transferring from your current career to Real Estate does not have to be difficult We have the answer Join our Dual Career Team on Centa Today Special Training Live on Open 27 Center Call Victor Saeno at (248) 347 3050 ext 422

AUTO SALES NEW & USED CRESTWOOD DODGE (734) 421-5700

CALL CENTER MANAGER
Home Improvement Co is looking for a Telemarketing Manager Mon-Fri 9 & Sat 10-5 Sales & management exp required Must have strong communication skills be mature energetic responsible & detail oriented Must be able to problem solve & multi task Offers high salary + commission 401K Call Karen at 248 478 8600

CANVASSERS Exp'd Guaranteed salary + commission Kroll Construction (734) 422 4840

CRUISE/TOUR SALES
Will train exp or natural born sales people to sell vacations to incoming calls No cold calling \$8 per hr + commissions averaging \$500 \$1300/mo with \$2500 per mo potential 30-40 hrs/wk Dearborn 313 278 4100 ymvacations.com

Sales 5120
REAL ESTATE AGENTS
A CAREER IN REAL ESTATE!

ALL REAL ESTATE COMPANIES ARE NOT THE SAME
If you are serious about entering the business and profession of Real Estate Sales you owe it to yourself to investigate why we are #1 in the market place and best suited to insure your success

*#1 Rated Franchise System

*Continuous Individualized Training

*100% Commission Plan

*Group Health Coverage

*Free Pre Licensing

*Latest Technical Computer Programs

Enable You To Have The Competitive Advantage

*Unsurpassed Local and National Advertising Exposure

DISCOVER THE DIFFERENCE
Call Jim Stevens or Alissa Nead

GOLDWELL BANKER'S

PREFERRED REALTORS (734)459-6000

REAL ESTATE AGENTS
A NEW CAREER?
REAL ESTATE IS BOOMING Excellent Commissions Great Training DOUG COURTNEY

REMERICA

HOMETOWN (734) 459 8222

REAL ESTATE Sales Professionals Find out what a career in

Market Place

All Ads Run Online FREE! A Value Of Up To \$87.00 www.hometownlife.com

7000's Merchandise. Absolutely Free. Antiques/Collectibles. Arts & Crafts. Auction Sales. Farm Equipment. Farm Produce. Flowers. Plants. U.F. clubs. Christmas Trees. Firewood. Merchandise. Hobb es Cons. Stamps. Hospital/Medical Equipment. Jewelry. Lawn. Garden & Snow Equipment. Lawn Garden Material. Miscellaneous For Sale. Musical Instruments. Sporting Goods. Tools. Trade Or Sell. Wanted To Buy.

7800-7930 Animals/Pets. Animal Services. Breeder Directory. Birds & Fish. Cats. Dogs. Farm Animals/Livestock. Horses & Equipment. Horse Boarding-Commercial. Household Pets Others. Pet Grooming & Boarding. Pet Services. Pet Supplies. Pets Wanted. Lost & Found Pets.

Antiques & Collectibles. ANTIQUE DEALER selling dolls glass jewelry inventory. Antique Sideboard for sale. Large piece with carving. BUYING DOLLS Old bears doll clothes toys Hotwheels Old books.

7000-7700 Merchandise. Absolutely Free. AUTOMATIC GARAGE DOOR OPENER. NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICS. PORTA-POTTY. REFRIGERATOR. SET OF 4 Escort tires & rims.

Antiques & Collectibles. AFFORDABLE ANTIQUES? We got em. Affordable. ANTIQUE EMPORIUM. ANNOUNCING! SOUTHFIELD PAVILION ANTIQUES EXPOSITION.

Antiques & Collectibles. Give us a call today. HOT LINK SERVICE. Can do for YOU! 1-800-579-SELL

Auction Sales. MIDWEST AUTO AUCTION. Saturday auto auction! Run your car through our Saturday auction for FREE!

It's All About Results. Observer & Eccentric Classifieds.

ESTATE AUCTION. Saturday - Feb 28th 7pm. Cultural Center. 525 Farmer Plymouth MI. Furniture / Glassware. Antiques / Collectibles. Old Books / Disney. Lithographs. Porcelain Dolls / Elvis Collection.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

7100 Estate Sales. ANOTHER GREAT ESTATE SALE BY IRIS. Fri Sat Feb 27 & 28 10-4.

Household Goods. ARMOUR COFFEE TABLE. Dining Room Table. Bathrooms Counter Top. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Dining Room Table. Bathrooms Counter Top. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Household Goods. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany. Beautiful Mahogany.

Jewelry. BUYING. Fine jewelry & watches. Sterling flatware & tea sets. Bronze statues antique oil paintings.

Jewelry. BUYING. Fine jewelry & watches. Sterling flatware & tea sets. Bronze statues antique oil paintings.

Jewelry. BUYING. Fine jewelry & watches. Sterling flatware & tea sets. Bronze statues antique oil paintings.

Jewelry. BUYING. Fine jewelry & watches. Sterling flatware & tea sets. Bronze statues antique oil paintings.

Jewelry. BUYING. Fine jewelry & watches. Sterling flatware & tea sets. Bronze statues antique oil paintings.

Jewelry. BUYING. Fine jewelry & watches. Sterling flatware & tea sets. Bronze statues antique oil paintings.

Cats. ADOPT a Homeless Pet. WAG Animal Rescue. PetSmart in Livonia.

Cats. ADOPT a Homeless Pet. WAG Animal Rescue. PetSmart in Livonia.

Cats. ADOPT a Homeless Pet. WAG Animal Rescue. PetSmart in Livonia.

Cats. ADOPT a Homeless Pet. WAG Animal Rescue. PetSmart in Livonia.

Cats. ADOPT a Homeless Pet. WAG Animal Rescue. PetSmart in Livonia.

Cats. ADOPT a Homeless Pet. WAG Animal Rescue. PetSmart in Livonia.

Observer & Eccentric Home and Service Guide

All Ads Run Online FREE! A Value Of Up To \$87.00 www.hometownlife.com

Home & Service Guide. 0001-2450. Aluminum Siding. Bagnier Home Improvement.

Home & Service Guide. Earn extra \$\$ advertise with O & E 1-800-579-SELL.

Home & Service Guide. IDEAL HOME IMPROVEMENT. Siding Windows Gutters.

Home & Service Guide. ADDITIONS PLUS. Beautiful Additions. Kitchens. Lower Levels.

Home & Service Guide. FINISHED BASEMENTS. Custom Bars Baths Kitchens. Complete job start to finish.

Building/Remodeling. MI Basement Makeovers. Clean up the appearance of those ugly stone walls.

Building/Remodeling. FINISH CARPENTRY. Crowns Trim Doors. Railings Straight or Bent.

Building/Remodeling. ACTION CARPENTRY. Basements. Kitchens & Baths. New & repairs.

Building/Remodeling. ALL CARPENTRY. REMODELING REPAIRS. 30 yrs exp Lic/Ins.

Building/Remodeling. BEST CHIMNEY & Roofing Co. New & repairs. Sr citizen disc Lic & Ins.

Cleaning Service. RENARDT'S MERRY MAID. Reliable dependable courteous service. We clean everything.

Cleaning Service. Computer Sales & Service. Computer Repair. Will come to your home.

Cleaning Service. DRYWALL FINISHING. Textures. Patchwork. Free est. Reasonable prices.

Cleaning Service. DRYWALL FINISHING. 30 years experience. No job too small.

Cleaning Service. RECONSTRUCTION OF DRY WALL. New & old. Paint & repair.

Electrical. FAMILY ELECTRICAL. City cert. Violations corrected. Service changes or any small job.

Electrical. GENERATORS. Hot tubs ceiling fans. remodels all electrical.

Electrical. SPARKY ELECTRIC. Res/Comm Wiring/Repairs. Low Rates. Free Est. Lic Ins.

Electrical. BRENNAN'S AUTHENTIC FLOORS. Installation & refinishing. Quality work & prices.

Electrical. FLOOR SANDING. Staining & finishing. Free estimates. Over 25 yrs experience.

Gutters. ARMAIN BUTTERS LC. Seamless Copper Installation. ETC.

Gutters. CLEANING SCREENING. NEW & REPAIRS. 248-471-2600.

Gutters. HANDYMAN. Absolutely All S. Carpentry. Elect. Plumbing. Painting. Roofing.

Gutters. AFFORDABLE ALL S. Carpentry. Elect. Plumbing. Painting. Roofing.

Gutters. AFFORDABLE ALL S. Carpentry. Elect. Plumbing. Painting. Roofing.

Hauling/Cleanup/Demolition. AFFORDABLE PERSONAL HAULING SERVICE. We clean out homes.

Hauling/Cleanup/Demolition. ALL HOME REPAIRS. Interior/exterior siding. Licensed 15 yrs exp.

Hauling/Cleanup/Demolition. PROMPT QUALITY SERVICES. Home inspection & repairs. Friendly honest waiting.

Hauling/Cleanup/Demolition. CLEANING SERVICE. Hardworking polish women. Will clean your house.

Hauling/Cleanup/Demolition. BEAT ANY WRITTEN ESTIMATE. 248-476-0011. 313 835 8610.

Paint & Decorating. INTERIOR PAINTING BY MICHAEL. Res. Com. Staining. Textured Ceilings.

Paint & Decorating. KRAMER'S CUSTOM PAINTING. Interior/exterior. Wallpaper removal.

Paint & Decorating. QUALITY PAINTING. Thorough Preparation. Work Myself since 1967.

Paint & Decorating. R&D PAINTING. Free Estimates. Reasonable rates.

Paint & Decorating. BEAT ANY WRITTEN ESTIMATE. 248-476-0011. 313 835 8610.

Roofing. APEX ROOFING. Quality work completed with pride. Family owned Lic Ins.

Roofing. C EVERETT ROOFING. Quality affordable roofing. Family owned Lic & Ins.

Roofing. GARDEN CITY CONST. SPRING DISCOUNTS. Roofing/Siding/Gutters.

Roofing. CLASSIFIEDS WORK! 1-800-579-7355. Ice Dam & Snow Removal.

Roofing. WINTER LEAKS REPAIRED. Ice/snow removed. Flashings Member BBB.

Snow Removal. SNOW PLOWING SERVICE. Commercial & Residential. Sailing Ins. Free est.

Snow Removal. JEM All Types Expert Wiring. Reps Res/Bus Lic/Ins D&L.

Snow Removal. TILE/CERAMIC/MARBLE QUARRY. VINTAGE TILE & MARBLE. Foyers. Kitchens. Baths.

Snow Removal. TREE SERVICE. Tree trimming. Stump grinding. Storm clean up.

Snow Removal. AFFORDABLE REMOVAL & TRIM. Romo & Servetto Tree Serv.



16 Offices to Serve You

Thousands of Success Stories!
LET US OPEN DOORS FOR YOU!

www.CENTURY21Town-Country.com



PLYMOUTH This One Is A Beauty
Walk to town from your 4 BR remodeled home. Newer cherry kit w/ceramic flr huge FR w/brick fplc. Updated baths newer doors w/ndows & carpet Part fin bsmt
(E22ANN) 734-455-5600 \$329,900



CANTON Perfect Setting
Charming 3 bdrm 1.5 bath brick ranch w/updated siding trim windows & kitchen FR w/natural brick fplc & newer doorwall leading to patio Part fin bsmt & 2.5 car garage
(E76ORH) 734 455-5600 \$192,900



WESTLAND Great House, Lyonia Schools
Spacious FR w/tplc sunny eat in kitchen LR w/dining area Deck, CA lots of fresh paint hwdv flr all in this 3 bdrm brick ranch Friendly quiet neighborhood Good home value!
(E54FRU) 734 455 5600 \$159,900



FERNDALE Classic 40's Bungalow
Charming starter home offers spacious LR w/hardwood floors & 1 replace formal DR w/built ins Full basement & fenced yard Newer siding and windows Close to Downtown & freeways All appliances stay
(E85CHE) 248-348-5600 \$119,900



SUPERIOR TPW Sharp New Home
New sub 4 BR colonial w/hwdv floors n kitchen & upgraded oak cabinets Great room w/marble surround berber carpet MBR ste w/cath ceilings WIC tiled BA his/her vanities Glass shower, Cul de sac ocean
(E87PRE) 248-348-5600 \$249,900



CANTON Impeccable! Voted #1
Exceptional cherry kit corian counters designed appl Hwdv flrs 2.5 baths FFL gas fplc pond setting Kohler fixtures custom V/O deck SS bsmt 2 car att gar 2 tone paint Robertson built lot
(E79HOQ) 734-455 5600 \$249,900



LINCOLN PARK Large 5 Bedroom Home
w/2 full baths totally renovated Everything updated 2.5 car att gar full bsmt Corner fenced lot Come take a look you won't be sorry!
(E88COL) 734 455-5600 \$124,900




COMMERCE Envy Sweeping Views
Wonderful 4 bdrm 2.5 bath colonial sitting on lovely Edgewood Park Golf course Updated windows roof furnace CA appliances brick paver patio deck & extensive landscaping +2 car att gar & bsmt
(E42EDG) 734-455-5600 \$299,950



NORTHVILLE 2 Story Condo
3 bedroom 2.5 bath end unit w/large square footage View of the water out of your door Basement newer Walls de windows and some hardwood flooring
(E18DEA) 248-348-5600 \$169,900



BLOOMFIELD HILLS A Beauty
Remodeled 2003 4 BR 2.5 BA colonal New granite gourmet k t hwdv floors finished basement granite & tile bath Stone fireplace landscaped private yard 2 car attached garage Terracotta sun porch Private location
(E51QUA) 248-348-5600 \$449,900



CANTON Curb Appeal + Many Updates
Hwdv flrs in LR & bdrms Kit has newer neutral cabs w/blk in appl & pantry Spacious dining area opens to FR w/fr w/ fplc & newer doorwall to patio Newer vinyl windows roof CA & entry doors fin bsmt w/5 bath
(E76HIL) 734-455-5600 \$185,000



DEARBORN Perfect Starter
Sharp all brick home sitting on a corner lot Berber carpet V/O ceramic tile kit floor w/oak cabinets newer windows CA steel doors part fin bsmt & more
(E25OUT) 734-455-5600 \$124,900




BROWNSTOWN A Must See
Spectacular 4 bdrm 3.5 bath colonial w/in LL 2 car att garage some hardwood floors & some tile floors vaulted ceiling large deck from dining area to lower yard patio
(E67JEN) 734 455-5600 \$259,500



ALLEN PARK Cute Ranch
3 bedroom 2 bath well cared for home with sunny living room and finished basement with extra rooms Fenced yard and on a pretty street
(E41HAN) 248 349 5600 \$135,000




NORTHVILLE Historic Northville Duplex
Can't afford Northville? Yes you can Rare historic duplex Wooded lot w/brook Beautiful updates throughout live in main flat rent upper flat & bonus studio Curb appeal! This is an awesome investment
(E10RAN) 248 349-5600 \$296,000



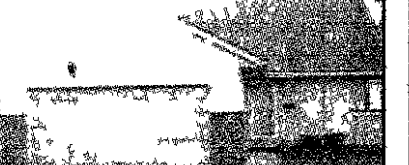
PLYMOUTH Cape Cod on Premium Lot
1st flr mstr w/WIC close to pool & tennis on FFL open extra deep bsmt w/walkout gas fplc in GR landscaped in kt 4 bdrms 2.5 baths formal dining area CA hwdv flrs in kt & ha i garden tub all appl nc & deck + 2 car att gar
(E57NOR) 734 455 5600 \$372,500




WYANDOTTE Solid Brick Bungalow
3 bdrm 2 bath full bsmt 2.5 car gar w/gener Updates include w/ndws furnace CA elec & plumbr ng Freshly painted & 1 year home warranty
(E42DEE) 734 455 5600 \$149,900




BROWNSTOWN 4 Bedroom Colonial
2.5 bath home family room w/large kitchen large deck master bedroom whis & hers closets & sitting room
(E61BUC) 734 455 5600 \$217,000



FARMINGTON Peaceful and Private
Excellent location in complex end unit ranch condo with 2 bedrooms and 2 full ceramic baths 2 car attached garage New carpet roof and much more Close to freeway & shopping
(E11HER) 248-349-5600 \$187,900



NORTHVILLE Walk To Downtown
Clean open well maintained townhome Huge master suite w/walk in BR 2.5 BA Large tin shee bsmt 2 car att garage Gas FP FFL Gorgeous stone pat o pool & clubhouse Heat & water included in dues Pets OK
(E02SAT) 248 349 5600 \$210,000



REDFORD Well Maintained Ranch
pda ed 3 bdr m home w/2.5 ca mechanics d eam ga age & bsmt Updated w/face CA elec coppe plumbing & 3 D sh ng es A app ances stay
(E76BRA) 734 455 5600 \$114,900




PLYMOUTH Custom Contemporary Home
Exquisite th uult 3 sto y at um toy e sp o oak sta case GR w/tplc opens to sun oom kt w/new granite counter formal DR w hwdv f b o mus c rrm mstr ste w/tplc etted tub fin LL w/o to nground pool
(E77WES) 734 455-5600 \$675,000



REDFORD Clean & Cozy Ranch
2 bad oom spacious vng oom freshly painted Updated kt & bath large dining oom f c f n shed basement newer roof furnace elec & H2O Also 1 car garage
(E65DAL) 734-455 5600 \$99,900




HOWELL Cozy Ranch Near Town
3 BR home with a ge kitchen w eating area & dining room open to kitchen Basement and oom fo ga age o carport Fence to trees n back and side Home warranty included
(E10MAS) 248 348 5600 \$139,900



CANTON Spacious Condo
Very neat & clean 3 BR 2.5 BA 2 s deco DR has doo wa ead ng to a y p f n shed basement w rec oom & add o or extra storage Large kitchen w/breakfast nook
(E79SAR) 248 349 5600 \$205,900



CANTON Don't Miss This One!
Clean & updated located on desirable lot backing to commons area offers open floor plan spacious LR large FR w/tplc part fin bsmt 2 car att gar Updated kit main bath doorwall shingles (stripped) windows
(E10HAM) 734-455-5600 \$204,700



SOUTH LYON Large Country Lot
Great 3 bdrm ranch w/2 baths newer roof full bsmt w/woley rec rm Natural oak trim T/O Master bdrm w/bath Doorwall to deck CA sprinklers 1st flr laundry Home warranty Some appliances
(E80LAM) 734 455 5600 \$214,850




LIVONIA Cute & Cozy Ranch
Friendly at home feeling Hwdv flrs fin bsmt w/wet bar & full bath Newer windows gutter glass block windows blinds screened in porch shed built in oven & range Newer refrigerator Professionally landscaped
(E44ANT) 248-349-5600 \$139,900



LINCOLN PARK Quiet Tree-lined Street
Well maintained 3 BR all brick ranch in desirable area Newer remodeled kitchen with 2nd kitchen in partially finished basement Flat o & shed in lovely backyard One year Home Warranty offered. Move right in
(E75MIC) 248-349-5600 \$104,900



CLAWSON Beautifully Updated
This is a showplace updated baths & kitchen Awesome open floor plan w/spacious bedrooms Vaulted ceilings custom moldings & lighting Never app ances included If you like pottery barn you l love this
(E44SCH) 248-349-5600 \$239,900



PLYMOUTH Beautiful Country Home
5 bdrm 2 full & 2.5 bath 1.5th century colonial on approx 5 acres Great mstr bdrm hwdv flrs country kt & formal DR Large pole barn pond deck & gazebo A must see!
(E86TER) 734-455-5600 \$599,900



ROMULUS Mrs Clean Here!
Beautiful open floor plan offers this 3 bdrm 2.5 bath colonial w/1st flr mstr ste Part fin bsmt w/lamily room library dining room & much more in this 1997 home w/bath Doorwall to deck CA sprinklers
(E45HAZ) 734-455-5600 \$178,500



DEARBORN HTS Great Value
3 BR 1.5 BA brick ranch w/large covered porch Covered ceilings in LR & DR Plenty of windows & storage C/A w/fin bsmt w/FR & separate den or office Fenced yard w/2 car garage Home warranty
(E25ARN) 248 349-5600 \$149,900



NORTHVILLE Move Right In
3BR 3BA condo Large eat in kitchen w/ island and all appliances Formal dining room Great room w/replace Wonderful finished basement w/full bath Pool & clubhouse 2 car att garage Northville Schools
(E77MUJ) 248-349-5600 \$286,500



STERLING HEIGHTS Condo is Stunning
This beautiful 3 BR 2 BA brick end unit condo features 2 car attached garage side deck addl parking spot next to unit In a quiet neighborhood with easy access to most of the major expressways
(E03SEA) 248-349-5600 \$189,900



CANTON A Pleasure to Show
Paver walkway welcomes you! Newer trng in foyer & kit LR opens to formal DR kit w/loads of cabs & newer appls FR w/gas fplc newer doorwall to deck newer windows fin LL & 2 car garage
(E20MET) 734-455-5600 \$249,500



CANTON Sunflowers Finest!
4 BR, 2.5 BA colonial w/newer ceramic flr in foyer kt & powder rm LR opens to formal DR w/newer hwdv flr kit has newer cherry cabinets corian counter FR w/gas fplc newer Andersen doorwall to deck + 2car att gar
(E33CAM) 734 455-5600 \$282,000



ROSEVILLE Roseville Ranch
Ready to move In 3 BR 1.5 BA ranch w/updates galore Newer cabinets & tile in kitchen Updated bathroom All newer windows turn A/C roof driveway carpet plumb & elec Kit appls stay 2 plus car gar w/220 & work area
(E24BAY) 248 349-5600 \$114,900



GREEN OAK TWP Crooked Lake Condo
55+ community offers this 2 bedroom 2 bath 1 story with Florida room single car garage larger kitchen & extra craft room in lower level Clubhouse and beach on Crooked Lake
(E91NAN) 248-348-5600 \$119,000



NORTHVILLE As Good As It Gets
This exquisite ranch is sited on a private wooded lot. Current owners have updated with except on a flair including roof paver walks & patio all landscap ng electrical & plumbing fixtures, granite counter more
(E46SER) 248-349-5600 \$449,900



CANTON Golf Course Community
5 BR 3.5 bath colonial w/2 car gar 2 story foyer w/hwdv flrs FFL mstr ste w/cath ceilings fin bsmt w/ib counter area for entertaining FR w/tplc office w/French doors summer & sec syst Home warranty
(E70HIG) 734 455-5600 \$420,000



PLYMOUTH Updated Home
In downtown Plymouth Beautifully maintained home In town offering 3 bedrooms 1.5 baths attached garage newer carpet & family room w/tireplace
(E17McK) 734-455-5600 \$224,900




HOWELL Sprawling Ranch
Private setting on approx 1 acre for this 3BR 2.5BA ranch Huge W/O LL w/large rec room and extra room perfect for a home office or playroom 1st floor master & laundry
(E61BON) 248-349-5600 \$264,900



PLYMOUTH Beautiful Detached Condo
Decorator perfect move in condition This 2 BR 2 BA detached ranch condo has it all From the elaborate crown moldings to the Corian counters and hardwood flooring to the soaring high ceilings Backs to woods
(E71PLY) 248-349 5600 \$369,900



NOVI Super Sharp Colonial
Park like setting on approx .5 acre Newer hardwood n kit FR & foyer Roof '03 Newer windows doo wa s A/C & lighting 2 car garage w/overhead storage Clean & ready to move in Great value North Schools
(E66SHE) 248-349-5600 \$299,900



TAYLOR Newer Condo Great Price
3 bdrm 1.5 bath 2 story stone front end unit in gated community by built in 2000 All appls & close to x way shopping & airport Bring offers!
(E65TER) 734 455 5600 \$89,900



WESTLAND Country in the City
3 bdrm 2 bath sprawling ranch w/great room overlooking inground heated pool w/underwater accent lights +2 fplcs Newer roof windows furn HWH & great location Don't miss this one
(E90JOH) 734-455-5600 \$349,900



COMMERCE What A Great House
Absolutely beautiful In great sub 4 BR 2.5 BA 3 car garage sunroom and near Huron Valley Hospital Two story LR Super well designed kitchen opens to FR Fireplace in family room Open formal DR Large yard
(E51BRI) 248-349-5600 \$444,900



SOUTH LYON Welcome Excellence
Your search is over for a luxury home 4BR suites with private baths Neutral with Brazilian cherry floors on main level Granite kitchen w/tumbled marble FP Spacious bathr room Custom lighting Spectacular!
(E78POI) 248 349-5600 \$699,900



NORTHVILLE Lake of Northville
Extensively updated 4 BR 3.5 BA colonal Hardwood floors newer carpet baths kitchen & more Spacious open floor plan Finished LL W/O w/kt & gorgeous treed lot Multi level deck Newly landscaped
(E24WAT) 248-349-5600 \$424,900

Relocation Services 800-448-5817

Birmingham 248-642-8100	Clarkston 248-620-7200	Commerce Twp. 248-363-1200	Northville 248-349-5600	Rochester 248-652-8000	Royal Oak 248-280-4777	Troy 248-524-1800	West Bloomfield 248-626-8800
Plymouth 734-455-5600	Grosse Pointe 313-586-5040	St. Clair Shores 586-776-8100	Shelby Twp. 586-731-8180	Chesterfield Twp. 586-948-5590	Clinton Twp. 586-288-6000	Fraser 586-294-3655	Sterling Heights 586-939-2800

ON WEBSITE: ALL THE HOMES

Real Estate One

OVER 30,000 PROPERTIES

www.realestateone.com

The Real Estate One Franchise System: Real Estate One • Max Brook Realtors • Johnstone & Johnstone • John Adams Mortgage • Insurance One • Capital Title • Home Services



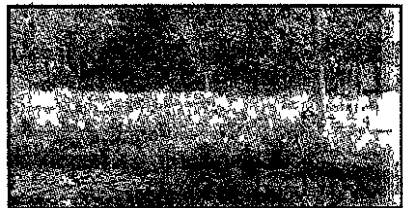
NORTHVILLE \$1,174,900
MAGNIFICENT EXECUTIVE RETREAT! Luxurious living Dramatic entry! Gourmet kitchen Indoor pool fantastic finished basement w/sauna bar & exercise rm Gorgeous lot Northville schools A show place! (85OAK2)

248 348 6430



CANTON \$629,900
PRIVATE BACK 7 SIDE YARD WITH TREES 4 BR 4.5 BA elaborate deck 2 tier oak paver patio lg grmt kit w/FP grnte cntrps study/5th BR mstr ste w/FP & whirlpool tub 2 WIC's dual stros & more! (S48932)

734 591 9200



SPRINGFIELD \$499,900
RARE OAKLAND COUNTY LAKEFRONT ACREAGE! 13.2 buildable acres 300 Feet fronting Big Lake Perked & surveyed Wetlands spring fed pond Minutes from M 59 & I 75 Will partner with builder until sold (23S12042)

734 455 7000



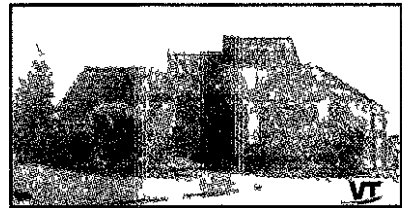
MILFORD \$489,900
FORMER BUILDER'S HOME! 4 BR 3.5 BA 2 sty foyer w/dual circular staircases dbl entry drs gourmet kit granite cntrs deck w/gazebo lower level has full kit FR w/FP Total 4700 SF! (E1185)

734-591-9200



BEVERLY HILLS \$445,000
HANDSOME GEORGETOWN COLONIAL spacious traditional Beverly Hills residence with a court location and an excellent floor plan Finished basement large private yard and immediate occupancy (80SHA2)

248 349 6200



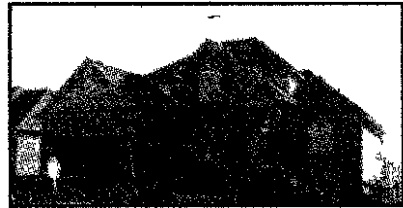
CANTON \$419,900
LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION! Rare find! Enjoy court location which backs to a pond w/fin In Mstr 1st flr 3 Car gar w/heat W/O bsmt den off foyer hrdwd flrs in kt foyer nook & hilwy (B47539)

734 591 9200



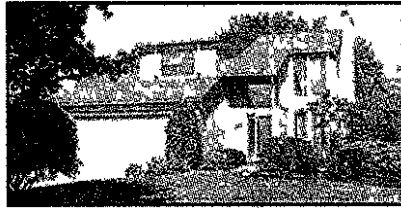
LIVONIA \$355,700
IMPECCABLY MAINTAINED! Transferee perfect! Move right in 4 BR 3.5 BA colonial Beautiful kit w/accnt tile & isl Lg FR w/FP & cathedral ceil mstr BR w/his/her closets/spacious BA (10MAN2)

248 348-6430



CANTON \$349,000
QUALITY NEW CONSTRUCTION IN CANTON 3 bdrm 2.5 bath Cape Hdwd in foyer kit & nook Granite cntrs in kit Mstr st w/WIC garden tub & enclosed shower 9ft ceilings Full bsmt Anderson wndws (29HOL2)

248 348 6430



NOVI \$300,000
CONTEMPORARY DESIGNED HOME Great open flr plan nice kit fin bsmt w/fr bar bonus rm & extra storage Deck w/built in storage prv entry brick paver patio & yard w/commons feel (76JAM2)

248-348-6430



CANTON \$249,900
WHY BUY NEW? Check out 3 yr old unit w/many expensive extras Premium lot prof fin walk out lower level 1st flr mstr 2 add t onl BR & den upper 2 FP (P1886)

734 591 9200



LIVONIA \$239,900
COUNTRY IN THE CITY! 3 Bdrm 2 bath 2004 sq ft ranch Updated kit & baths Extens w hard wood flrs & wood work Newer w ndows roof paint New furnace A/C & HWH Move in ready (23S9480)

734 455 7000



WESTLAND \$234,900
CUSTOM RANCH W/LIVONIA SCHOOLS On large lot 3 bdrms w/many updates custom oak kit formal DR ceramic tiled FR w/FP Full bsmt covered patio w/hot tub newer windows 2/1/2 car att garage (P346)

734 326 2000



PLYMOUTH \$220,900
FABULOUS BARBERRY UNIT! Inviting LR FR Avail upgrades Lndscpng sprnkir sys lawn main (23A1205)

734 455 7000



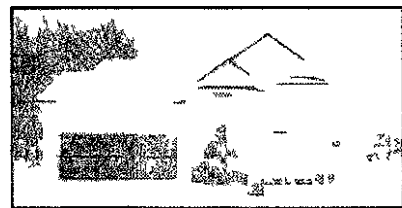
LIVONIA \$217,900
UPDATED & MAINTAINED TO PERFECTION! 5 & Newburgh ranch offers open flr plan w/2 car attached garage fin bsmt custom updated kitchen baths rf furn & more (J8751)

734 591 9200



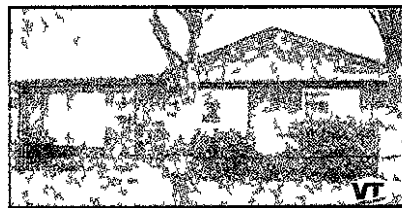
BLOOMFIELD HILLS \$214,900
DESIRABLE MAIN FLOOR UNIT On y build ng in complex w/2 units & attached garages 2 bdrm 2 bath glassed in heated Fla Rm w/ceramic floor 3 closets in mstr bdrm walk n hall closet (L150)

734 326 2000



GARDEN CITY \$204,900
BEAUTIFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION! Wow Builder built this one n Livon a ast and t sold before we could f n sh t! Mstr 1st flr vaulted GR ceilings 2 car attd 70x145 of (H1731)

734 591 9200



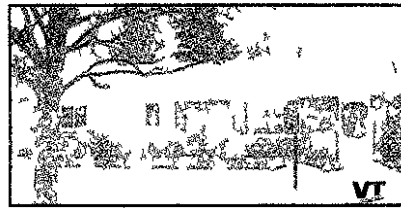
PLYMOUTH \$201,900
A CHOICE LOCATION IN PLYMOUTH! Walk ng distance from downtown limited traff c sub 1236 SF 3 BR 1.5 BA low maintenance in & out Brk FP in FR 2 car gar newer wndws furn HWH & more! (A42520)

734-591-9200



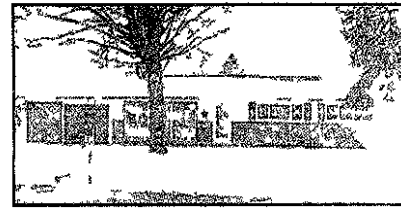
NORTHVILLE \$188,800
SOUGHT AFTER HIGHLAND LAKES CONDO! Spacious 2 story unit w/Att Garl Updated Kit w walkin pantry 3 BR 2.5 BA Full F n Bsmt Huge Patio w/built in gas grill and beautiful gardens Great Buy! (72QUE2)

248 348-6430



PLYMOUTH \$199,000
WONDERFUL LOCATION IN PLYMOUTH! 3 bdrm 2 bath ranch w/open flr plan Updated kit & baths Extensive hrdwd flrs & new carpet Newer windows & roof Florida porch Fireplace finished basement (23O40515)

734 455-7000



NOVI \$197,900
A WELL CARED FOR HOME! A perfect blend of comfortable liv ng in this n ce 3 BR ranch Formal LR & DR cozy kit w/all appl n ce patio and fenced yard (82LEB2)

248 348 6430



PLYMOUTH \$194,900
THE "ARBOR" has an open flr plan Fin lower lvl rec rm next to laundry & powder rm Townhome comm will feature ndscpng sprnkir sys lawn main/snow remov Low assoc fees (23A1205)

734 455 7000



NORTHVILLE \$185,000
JEWEL OF COUNTRY PLACE 1650 sq ft condo has updates galore Oversized LR w/WBFP Fin bsmt w/dry sauna Patio & many extras! Ready for you to move in! (18GLE02)

248-348-6430



NORTHVILLE \$184,900
CONVENIENCE, STYLE & FUNCTIONALITY! Immediate occupancy in this end unit with a appl incl New berber carpet paint & lg ndry rm w/lots of storage Neutral decor 1 car gar fin bsmt Hurry! (G21228)

734 591 9200



WESTLAND \$169,900
BEAUTIFUL BROWNSTONE CONDO Comfortable living on all 3 floors bay windows on 1st & 2nd floors fireplace hardwood floors near shopping & restaurants Must see to appreciate! (C677)

734 326-2000



NOVI \$169,900
COUNTRY PLACE CONDO! 1650 SQ FT 3 Bedrooms 2.5 bath and unit on prime location with a great view Complex features pool tennis and clubhouse (04PEL2)

248 348 6430



FARMINGTON \$169,900
PRETTY AS A PICTURE Cozy ranch freshly painted new carpet ready to move in Brick & wood trim 3 BRs cute kit c/a 2 car gar w/brand new door Home protection plan prov ded (67FOL2)

248 348 6430



PLYMOUTH \$169,900
CUTE + COZY= YOURS This home is perfect for you! Updates galore! 3 bedroom ranch ample storage 1 car gar under market! Must see! Call for more info (23G14656)

734 455 7000



WESTLAND \$169,900
GREAT WESTLAND LOCATION! Lovely updated 4 bedroom colonial Attractive kitchen with new appliances Windows & roof updated Nicely landscaped backyard with garden area 2.5 car garage (23B440)

734 455 7000



HOWELL \$164,985
HOWELL CHARMER! Cute 3 BR bungalow in downtown Howell Hdwd flrs new windows T/O new bathroom lg kit DR bsmt private deck fenced yard 2 car gar w/wkshp & much more! (08JEW2)

248-348-6430



WESTLAND \$164,900
NEW PRICE! 3 BR ranch Beautiful new birch cabs new fir appl stay patio full bsmt oversized 2 car gar tear off rf in 10/03 newer furn a/c window A great home! (M304)

734 591 9200



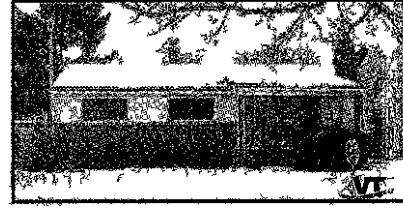
LIVONIA \$164,900
THIS HOME AWAITS A NEW GROWING FAM ILY! 4 BR come w th this spacious maintenance free ranch! Formal DR oak kt 2 full baths 2 car attd gar Anderson wndws deck lots of storage & much more! (F20249)

734 591 9200



WESTLAND \$162,900
1250 SF, 2 BR, 1.5 BATH CONDO Open floor plan fresh neutral colors 2st flr laundry lg mstr BR w/walk in closet finished basement backs to woods Clean! (H6241)

734-591-9200



GARDEN CITY \$154,900
LOOKS NICE FEELS RIGHT Buyers who want a well manicured home in nice area Close to park & schools new roof vinyl windows brick paver patio part finished BSMT 2.5 car garage (F230)

734 326 2000



GARDEN CITY \$149,999
COMFY CAPE COD Is this 3 bedroom brick home in Garden City 2 full baths 3 car garage Lots of nice features newer windows doorwall to deck double lot (M319)

734-326-2000



REDFORD \$149,900
UNIQUE & ROOMY! Walk out bsmt s f n n drywall All updates are done Home has open flr plan w/tasteful neutral decor Doorwall in lower level walks out to patio & nice yd (B14148)

734 591 9200



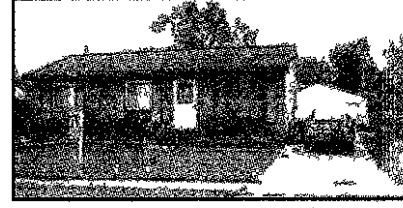
GARDEN CITY \$144,999
RAINBOW'S END 3 Bedroom tr level Home has many recent updates oak kitchen newer windows & doors newer carpet & pa nt all new Ff shingles 2 car garage has new garage doors (J330)

734 326 2000



WAYNE \$127,900
FOUR BEDROOMS, LARGE LOT Full brick bungalow basement 2 car garage many updates formal dining room corner lot Hardwood floors in living rm and dining rm Must see to appreciate (A324)

734-326-2000



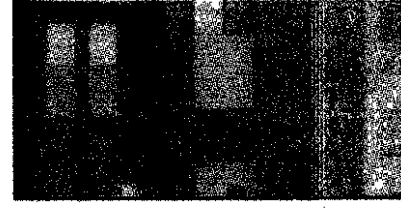
ROMULUS \$115,000
CHECK OUT THIS 3 BDRM RANCH W/ BASEMENT Recently constructed garage Updated kitchen newer windows & roof Stay cool in the central air Family rm has doorwall leading to nice lot Needs a little TLC (K301)

734-326-2000



WAYNE \$104,900
GREAT STARTER HOME Vinyl sided bungalow 2 bedrooms with a possible third 10x10 barn style shed large covered patio overlooking deep lot 150+ feet hurry (J445)

734-326-2000



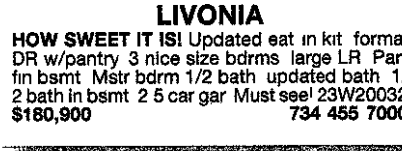
LIVONIA \$99,500
BEAUTIFUL LIVONIA RANCH CONDO! Gorgeous 1 bedroom/1 bath condo w/scenic view of pond Close to shopping & highways Enjoy the luxury of the condo swimming pool tenn s court & clubhouse (55EIG2)

248 348 6430



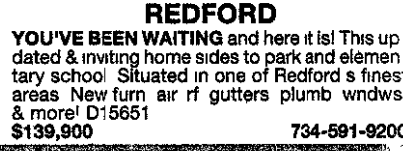
NOVI \$358,500
SPACIOUS AND OPEN FLOOR PLAN Formal LR & DR family s ze brkfst area & kit that opens to lg FR w/cathedral ceiling & frpt perfect l b w/ built in bookcases & great fin d basement (82POR2)

248 348 6430



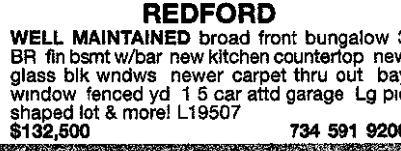
LIVONIA \$180,900
HOW SWEET IT IS! Updated eat in kit formal DR w/pantry 3 nice size bdrms large LR Part fin bsmt Mstr bdrm 1/2 bath updated bath 1/2 bath in bsmt 2.5 car gar Must see! 23W20032

734 455 7000



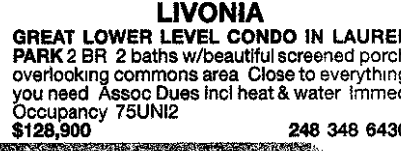
REDFORD \$139,900
YOU'VE BEEN WAITING and here it is! This up dated & inviting home sides to park and elementary school Situated in one of Redford's finest areas New furn air rf gutters plumb wndws & more! D15651

734-591-9200



REDFORD \$132,500
WELL MAINTAINED broad front bungalow 3 BR fin bsmt w/bar new kitchen countertop new glass blk wndws newer carpet thru out bay window fenced yd 1.5 car attd garage Lg pie shaped lot & more! L19507

734 591 9200



LIVONIA \$128,900
GREAT LOWER LEVEL CONDO IN LAUREL PARK 2 BR 2 baths w/beautiful screened porch overlooking commons area Close to everything you need Assoc Dues Incl heat & water l mmed Occupancy 75UN12

248 348 6430

Call 1-888-REO-LIST, punch in the code #, get information!

THE OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC PRESENTS

Personal Scene

Place your FREE print ad, call 1-800-487-2038 24 hours/7 days a week

NOW THERE ARE 3 GREAT WAYS TO RESPOND TO THESE ADS

1-900-226-9950 \$2.19 PER MINUTE 2.19 PER CALL CONNECT FEE 18 years or older, charges will appear on your monthly telephone bill

1-866-899-5644 \$2.49 PER MINUTE using your credit card you pay as you go, charges will appear on your credit card statement

1-800-487-2038 use your credit card to purchase tokens for as little as \$.34 per token or to respond FREE to ads

women seeking men Call 1-900-226-9950 \$2.19 per minute \$2.19 per call connect fee

ARE WE COMPATIBLE? WWF 56 5 8 123 lbs long hair blue eyes Enjoys gourmet cooking & traveling Seeks a SWM 55 58 years old Ad# 660575

I LL BE WAITING Calm laid back SWF 62 5 2 110 lbs blonde hair blue eyes Loves family activities cooking crocheting cultural events and more Seeks a kind quiet SWM 55- who cares about other people and loves animals Ad# 667481

WHAT MORE DO YOU NEED? SWF 45 5 4 129 lbs with blonde hair & blue eyes Enjoys boating camping moto cycles and just kicking back having fun Looking for a SWM 35 50 who is caring faithful and likes having fun Ad# 665751

DINNER & A MOVIE Responsible SWF 51 years old seeks non smoking non drink SWM 50 55 who is looking for companionship Ad# 660427

SOUTHERN BELLE Down to earth SWF 28 5 5 120 lbs a pretty blonde Loves dancing d n g out and time at home with a special someone Wants to be spoiled by a SWM 40 50 w h no baggage Ad# 660306

THE KEY TO HER HEART SWF 58 enjoys boating reading movies and dining out She is looking for a N/S SWM 59 or taller social dr nker w h w h salt and pepper hair If he sounds like you give us a call Ad# 665790

CALL & CHAT WITH ME SWF 57 3 3 we ght proportion ate Enjoys traveling casual dining good conversation on p us we o Hopes to meet a SWM 50 60 Ad# 669405

TOUCH OF CLASS Attac t m n N D N S SWF 72 f om Boom ed ooking for a d to a companion on sh w a SWM 72 75 who s a sa gent smen Ad# 661117

BE MY BEST FRIEND Very kind and caring SWF 46 5 4 med um bui d blue eyes Enjoys traveling casual dining fishing a chery and antiques Seeks an intellectual SWM 46 80 for fun times Ad# 6632617

A LITTLE SPICE Retired SWF 62 enjoys d n g out dancing traveling or staying home for a quiet evening She s looking for a SWM 58 64 to put some fun and excitement back into her life Ad# 663750

SEKS FRIENDSHIP SWF 50 5 7 weight proportion ate retired Loves dancing i n e at home and people Looking for a SWM 47 60 Ad# 665997

ONE IN A MILLION Professional educated DWf 43 with one child Enjoys movies d n g out swimming bike riding and more Looking for an honest sincere SWM 35 52 who is not into games knows what they want and enjoys the outdoors Ad# 665858

HUSBAND WANTED Very attractive SWF 38 blonde N/S has a pleasant personality & is honest & caring Enjoys the fine arts movies & fine dining Looking for an attractive SWM 35 55 5 11 who s emotionally & financially stable & ready for a serious relationship Ad# 6658162

ROMANCE Is just around the corner I am 5 2 with dark eyes and hair 63 Looking to meet a tall gentleman 59 70 who likes dancing cars driving and wants a nice m r relationship Ad# 640303

ALL OUR TOMORROWS DWf 43 enjoys spend ng time with her children reading cook ng and the beach Looking for a good hearted SWM 40 50 who is fun likes to have a good time and likes children Ad# 665043

END MY SEARCH! I m an honest dependable SWF 57 5 5 105 lbs swm with brown hair & hazel eyes Looking for a long term relationship with a tall SWM gentleman 30 50 who enjoys summer and win to act v t es and has t me for me Ad# 665787

WHY NOT CALL? SW Mom 24 5 6 120 lbs Enjoys shopping movies etc Seeks a SWM 25 30 who n eys going to church and try ng new things Ad# 665731

CONTACT ME Brown eyed SWF 30 years old mother of 2 SWF 30 enjoys movies bowling and is seeking a nice SWM 21-40 who loves kids Ad# 664399

GNAT SWF 26 5 7 115 lbs with a great sense of humor and no ch ldren Looking for a SM 22 32 who is good looking Ad# 6642419

RESPECTING EACH OTHER Full figured educated SWF 37 5 11 no children N/S N/D Enjoys watching sports on TV reading bowling and the s m p things in life Looking for an honest mature SWM 37 50 who s employed and has his own t ans portation Ad# 644675

JUST THE GAL FOR YOU! Attractive SWF 61 5 6 brown hair/eyes Enjoys theater travel dining out and family Looking for an honest good humored SWM 55 68 N/S Ad# 663240

ARE YOU MY SOULMATE? SWF 44 N/S social drinker 5 9 140 lbs blue eyes blonde hair Interests are mov es bowling and dancing She s looking for a sensitive financially secure N/S SM 35 60 whose children are grown and who appreciates women Ad# 641647

FORMER MODEL SWF 49 5 8 with intelligence creativity and a pass on for mus c and dancing Seeking a man 39 49 to share these interests and more for a possible LTR Ad# 538187

JUST MOVED BACK Adorable SWF 33 5 5 150 lbs brown hair and light green eyes Seeking a SWM 35-47 who s affectionate and humorous Ad# 644179

ENJOYS LIFE SWF 52 5 4 red hair brown eyes Likes d n g out travel ng movies riding Harley s n the summer and more Seeking a SWM 45 59 who enjoys life Ad# 643675

SEKS UNDERSTANDING MAN Caring dependable SWF young looking 38 looking for a flex ble SWM 30 50 Ad# 643378

FRIENDS TO START Very busy SWF 38 enjoys mov es traveling theater comput ers and quiet times Looking for a sincere educated employed SWM 30 50 who can be flexible to my busy schedule and s interested in friendship to start maybe mo e ater Ad# 643444

HEART OF A POET SWF 40 5 5 with brown eyes he ght/weight proportion ate Enjoys fishing camping writing photography and more Looking for a SWM under 50 who has m lar interests Ad# 643372

THE COFFEE IS ON SWF 57 nattering blonde blue eyes with brown ch dren Looking for a p mpt N S N D mature SWM 57 80 who would like to get ogethe and take ove a cup of cof fee Ad# 642634

SEARCHING SWF 44 who oves he oud o pes He eyes s so kee The Red W ng s Seeking SWM 45 55 Ad# 501033

LET S LIVE 51 SWF independent I like mov es I avel d n g out dancing Looking for SWM 50 60 with same interests No couch potatoes and If interested give me a cal Thank You Ad# 616570

WHAT S YOUR SIGN? Witty fa thful outgoing SWF 41 Retired blonde 5 2 Loves car coasters computers rac ng camping and fishing Looking for a good humorou open minded passionate SM 35 55 who enoys life Ad# 659207

READY TO SETTLE DOWN SWF 47 5 2 attractive blonde hazel eyes with a beautiful smile Seeking a honest and caring SWM 40 52 who enjoys spending time with that special someone Ad# 641159

LETS SHARE LIFE TOGETHER SWF weight proportion ate 47 enjoys travel weekend getaways camp ng movies week d n g out and more Looking for a sincere SWM 45 55 who is ready for a relationship Ad# 640709

LOOKING TO BE SPOILED SWF 47 mother of a boy Seeking SWM over 30 for a possible relationship Ad# 640217

TRY IT OUT SWF 49 beautiful blonde who s romantic and sophisticated Enjoys the bookstore entertain ng and cook ng Seeks a special SWM to make her house a home He should be intelligent financially yment on ly secure handsome generous & marr age m need Ad# 640050

SIMPLE LIFE SWF 47 5 4 110 lbs brown hair and green eyes Enjoys sports beach gof cooking dancing Seeking SWM who is outgoing friendly loyal and good hearted Lets have fun and good times together Ad# 640037

LOVABLE SWEETIE SWF 42 I enjoy fe family cook ng who moves Seeks an SWM who is honest since e You must enjoys life and good conversations Ad# 639222

A DIFFERENT KIND OF AD Patte WF 61 sort of cute smart spirited & fun ted I am living with some health cha lenges and am seeking a happy honest senior male who s tired of fong his challenges alone & needs some tender loving care Great cook w rter philosopher Ad# 672333

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE & OUT SWF 57 5 4 red curly hair brown eyes Enjoys movies the ate boating swim ng cook ng and t me w th family Seeking a SWM 55 79 who s ambitious sp rts successful and fun Ad# 473811

YOU WILL LIKE ME SWF 65 5 3 blonde medium bui d fun loving intell Seeking SWM 60 p us who wants to do things is talkative humorous and loves to cude e If interests call no smokers Ad# 667287

SOFT SPOKEN LADIES SWF 51 5 3 with very blue eyes who enjoys quiet times camping reading long walks etc Searching for a SWM 47 57 who likes doing things and likes to cuddle Ad# 580885

COMPLETE HONESTY A MUST I m a sincere SWF 21 w th one son I m searching for an ener get c fun honest SWM who believes that honesty is the key to a strong relationship Ad# 636745

LIKE GOOD SURPRISES? SWM 28 5 11 big boned N/S N/D Enjoys bowling mov es casl nos travel and time with friends Looking for an honest person ble SW Ad# 636602

LOOKING FOR A FRIEND SWF 31 5 7 145 lb med um bui d ope legas graduate non smoker Enjoys working out theater movies walk ng and more Seeking a SWM 6 3 p us 53 62 who is well groomed and professional on fr endsh p f rst Ad# 470261

GOOD NATURED SWF 55 6 1 med um bui d ope legas graduate non smoker Enjoys working out theater movies walk ng and more Seeking a SWM 6 3 p us 53 62 who is well groomed and professional on fr endsh p f rst Ad# 470261

LOOKING FOR HONESTY SWF 58 5 4 with green eyes Enjoys the water and trying any th ng once In search of a tall SWM 55 66 who is honest with a great sense of humor and simlar interests Ad# 636111

LOOKING FOR FUN m ready for fun & laughter! SWF 46 6 a smoker soc a dr nker I enjoy watch ng sports and travel ng I m searching for a SWM 55 70 who shares my interests Ad# 603750

GOOD NATURED SWF 47 5 3 dark brown hair r oung n g sincere and fun loving Enjoys shopping travel dining out concerts the outdoors p cr nics and mo e Seeking a SWM 40 60 who s sincere outgoing fun loving fun oled and s a kid at heart Ad# 442747

LOVE TO GIVE SWF 27 5 9 145 lbs blonde hair green eyes She s seek ng a man who loves children Has a sense of humor s honest and enjoys quiet times at home Ad# 663192

ARE WE ALIKE? SWF 50 w th above ave age cooks good commun cator amus ng ov ng sou mate Seeking DWf 45 60 e can out gent am n g to k to se us on t omsh p Ad# 482556

BE MY VALENTINE SWF 60 w th blonde hair and N/S Looking for a SWM 60 77 who s ov ng post ve n compassionate smrt ona lyf n an caly s eou e and who oves I fe to the fullest Ad# 612080

ONE OF A KIND SWF 48 att active ntel gent ov n and dedicated Seeking a SWM 45+ a N/S who s a sincere ntel gent humo ous and honest for a long term devoted relationship Ad# 448774

CARING & HONEST SWF 44 N/S N/D who enjoys camping dining out and more in search of a SWM who is fun loving and experiencing new things If you are a N/S N/D SWM 36 52 and are inter ested call me and we ll talk! Ad# 417121

COULD IT BE YOU? WWF 50 grey hair pleasant lov ng and kind hearted Enjoys walk ng movies music the out doors and good conversation on Maacomb County Ad# 403562

MATCH THIS You ta l Lapeer/Genesee county SWM honest ntel gent no k ds 30 35 Me thoughtful SWF 31 5 9 full figured no k ds smoker Enjoys cooking reading theater mov es Bonus points you are a Detroit Redwings fan and my cat kases you Ad# 613687

SHARE HER DREAMS SWF 27 light sk nedd tall d head 175 lbs 6 3 like chl lng at home and having fun Looking for a SWF 20 35 who is ome of a like me Ad# 660932

A LONG KNIGHT Attractive SWM 51 6 180 lbs w th brown hair brown eyes add a wide variety of interests Searching for a pet to ave age bui Looking for a SWF 24 40 who s romantic a similar interests and a good sense of humor Ad# 420017

READY TO SETTLE DOWN SWF 21 5 2 160 lbs enjoys time with her ch dren and much more Looking for a SWM over 18 for a ong term relationship Ad# 611895

ENERGETIC LADY SWF 44 5 4 short blonde hair blue eyes Enjoys music basket bal swim ng and much mo e Looking for an honest and real SWM age n important Ad# 611633

THIS IS LOVE This outgoing single black fema e 18 who enjoys her 2 ch ldren and eno ying life to the fullest seek ng a single male under 36 Ad# 609514

PATIENTLY WAITING FOR YOU SWF 60 autumn hair green eyes professional Enjoys travel week end get a ways camp ng cuddling and more Seeking a SWM 57 70 who is loving humorous N/S N/D fun and affect onate Ad# 405309

TRAVEL COMPANION 59 attractive outgoing blonde 5 8 SWF seeking SM good conversationalist active romantic ntel gent Wants companion to travel to Flor da for 1 month this winter Ad# 560413

For even more ads visit http://www.observersingles.com View a photo of this person online Respond to this ad for FREE by calling 1-800-487-2038 View an expanded profile for this person online

KIND & LOVING HEART Professional attractive SWF 46 5 5 full figured hazel eyes Looking for a professional N/S SM 40-52 who s trust worthy out go ng and energetic Ad# 621077

SOMEONE TO CARE FOR WWF 56 enjoys old cars relax ng quality time with that special someone and more Looking for a SWM over 48 for a companion ship and a shoulder to lean on Ad# 596014

TIME AT HOME SWF 27 5 9 with long black hair Enjoys reading drawing crafts 1 ng things and more Looking for a SWM 24 38 who is honest with a nice personality Ad# 588934

MY HEART & YOURS SWF 52 who enjoys playing chess and bow ng seeking a family or ented SM 45 60 if you think you may be interested call me Ad# 584996

LOOKING FOR LTR SWF 59 easygoing low mainte nance 5 3 w th an ave age bui Looking for a ov ng car ng happy financially stable SWM 55 65 for a long term relationship Ad# 582529

NOT YOUR ORDINARY WOMAN Youthful charming energetic SWF 47 5 4 140 lbs Seeks SM 38 55 for healthy monogamous relationship You should be financially smrtly and sp rtu ally stable Race open Serious replies only Ad# 582670

THE PERFECT MAN Handsome SWM 35 5 10 230 lbs m nice honest & respectful I enjoy cars sports sightseeing and life in general I am ready to meet an attractive slim to med um bui t respectful s more sweet & lov ng SF who s marriage/family minded Ad# 651918

WAITING This SWM 53 5 8 with brown hair & blue eyes is searching for an affect onate SWF 45-55 who likes traveling long walks movies water sports and doesn t smoke or drink Ad# 658346

WONDERFUL MAN SWM 28 5 6 brown hair/eyes Loves time with family & friends He s searching for an honest car ng fun ov ng SWF 18 32 who oves ch ldren and goes to Church Ad# 658741

SEARCHING FOR YOU SWM 51 170 lbs Enjoys sports and having fun Wants to meet a like minded SF 18-33 K ds OK Ad# 658076

GOOD TIMES TO BE HAD SWM 51 170 lbs Enjoys sports and having fun Wants to meet a like minded SF 18-33 K ds OK Ad# 658076

LOOKING FOR FRIENDSHIP SWM 38 6 190 lbs physically challenged Enjoys quiet times mov es & theater Wishes to meet a quiet SWF who is also phys ally challenged Ad# 665041

INTERESTED? Single black male 40 years old seeking a single black female who wants to have fun Ad# 657604

ARE YOU READY? Do you have a passport? Do you have a swimmng pool? Do you have a car? I m a single active ready for friendship companion ship romance with a SWF 46-60 who is my equal Phone replies only please! Ad# 612994

SPONTANEOUS SWM 42 5 10 155 lbs athletic build enjoy writing music fine d n g basketball dancing w hntling etc Seeking a SF 24 40 who shares my interests Ad# 657700

HAVE A ZEST FOR LIFE? SWM 38 5 11 230 lbs muscular a smoker Loves cooking and reading He s searching for a SWF 30-55 who has strong opinions and can hold an intelligent conversation Ad# 657676

NOT YOUR AVERAGE JOE! Very attractive handsome SWM 25 2 1 m smoker and social drinker Looking for a SF who s financially and emotionally secure passionate and has a sincere heart Ad# 657275

LOOKING FOR A SBF UNDER 45 who s fun ntel gent active fun adventurous and willing to try new and different th ngs Ad# 637501

EASYGOING SWM 49 5 10 185 lbs with a long beard Looking for a full figured SF over 18 who is energetic and trustworthy Ad# 657092

WARM & LOVING Tall SWM 45 6 195 lbs with children smoker Enjoys camping fishing the outdoors having fun cuddling & dancing Looking for a SF race & age unimportant who likes children for a long term relationship If the sparks are there Ad# 658861

KICK BACK! SWM 25 6 1 dark hair/eyes smoker Enjoys sports bowling and going to movies Seeks a fun energetic SF 18 35 Ad# 656754

ATHLETIC SWM 45 years old social drinker Loves golf hockey and the out doors Looking for a SF 35 55 energetic SF 18 35 Ad# 656754

WINTER HEAT SUMMER TREAT Spontaneous SWM 51 is seeking a SF 28-40 who is fun loving attractive and trustworthy Ad# 643069

NO GAMES Positive humorous SWM young SWF 5 11 220 lbs Looking for a SWF under 150 lbs under 8 tall who enjoys d n g out movies dancing cuddling holding hands and hugging Ad# 404669

CARE & SHARE Polite sincere warm hearted easygoing SWM 61 enjoys win dow shop ng walking and quiet nights at home Looking for a Caring a SWF 55-60 for a serious long lasting relationship Ad# 651735

HARDWORKING SWM 28 5 10 210 lbs seeks a SWF 30 40 preferably a blue eyed blonde who loves dogs and the country Ad# 655417

READY TO SETTLE DOWN SWM 44 5 9 enjoys camping fishing traveling and much more Looking for a SWF over 18 who has a great heart Ad# 655098

SHARE LIFE WITH ME SEIM 23 green eyes black hair Enjoys movies dancing and bowling Looking to meet a smart and funny SWF 26 30 with no chl dr n interests Ad# 654651

PICK UP THE PHONE Single nice looking Asian male 31 years old seeking a single female age not important Ad# 653645

HAVE DINNER WITH ME SWF 28 5 10 210 lbs brown hair blue eyes Would like to meet an honest trusty SWF 21 27 who likes ch ldren Ad# 654458

WELL ROUNDED SWM 40 att active well dressed and we bu t Looking for a SF 2 60 who has s m a qua t es Ad# 637066

LET S DO THIS SWM 25 5 10 130 lbs w th brown hair and eyes Looking for a SBF under 35 who is a N/S N/D with no children to good conversation and possibly more Ad# 654105

TOUCH OF CLASS SWM 45 5 10 blonde hair blue eyes athletic build Looking for a classy SWF who enjoys the d n g quiet times and knows how to treat her man Ad# 663938

BRILLIANCE AT ITS BEST This DWm 49 5 5 165 lbs with silver/grey hair is looking for a SWF 40-45 who enjoys hockey movies and spending quality time with her man Ad# 652442

JOIN ME SWM 56 6 1 weight proportion ate mustache Enjoys weight l ft ng antiques fishing boating sports cook outs and gardening Looking for a SF 45 60 Ad# 653372

LOOKING FOR A PARTY GIRL Good looking SWM 27 5 8 195 lbs with a great smile Looking for a cute SBF 21 26 height/weight proportionate Ad# 653332

SIMPLY ME SWM 27 who enjoys spending time with people I m seeking a SBF 19 years old or over Ad# 662905

SEEKING OTHER HALF Still learning SWM 65 into exer cising golf card playing and more Looking for a N/S SWF 65 63 who is romantic with a similar interests and a good sense of humor Ad# 652862

EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL SWM 45 5 8 ft light brown hair blue eyes Looking for a passion ate compassionate professional SWF 28-45 Oakland or Wayne County Ad# 449863

LOOKING FOR LOVE This 28 year old SWM is looking for a SWF 20-32 who will love him and would like to be loved in return Ad# 663337

NOT YOUR AVERAGE JOE! Sexy SWM 33 180 lbs 6 bald Looking for a sexy SF 18-36 who wants to get together and have some fun with no strings attached Ad# 643273

CURVES IS A MUST SWM 45 5 10 185 lbs athletic build black hair and mustache Seeking a SBF 35 50 5 5 6 height/weight proportionate with a great smile and shining personality Ad# 649016

TIRED OF BEING ALONE SWM 49 hardworking 5 8 175 lbs Seeking a SWF 45 48 who is easygoing intelligent and fit for a long term relationship In the Redford area only No E mails please! Ad# 406401

BRIGHT & ACTIVE SWM 67 6 2 with silver hair In search of a fit SWF 35-55 who is outgoing and generous Ad# 644148

LET S MEET SWM 52 with a nice personality Looking for a SWF over 18 for friendship and casual dating to start Ad# 643893

HOW ABOUT IT? SWM 49 enjoys football and hockey Looking for a sports loving SWF Let s get together and watch a game Ad# 643629

A LITTLE FREAKY SWM 23 6 2 180 lbs brown skin dark hair brown eyes Looking for a SBF 18 41 for friendship someone who can be a bit freaky like myself Ad# 643499

UNIQUE & FASCINATING Self employed DWCM 55 6 3 who enjoys the out doors takes in front of the fireplace and traveling Looking for a prudent SWF 43 55 who s attractive fit and looking for a possible long term relationship Ad# 643411

LIFE IS BETTER SHARED White male dentist 6 173 lbs 5 4 very successful and attractive Seeking a white female 38 to 53 5 4 plus slim non smoker very attractive and phys ally fit who loves the d n g travel cdd ng and is seeking a best friend Ad# 403950

ROMANTIC WARRIOR SWM 32 5 8 170 lbs professional financially and emotionally stable Enjoys mov es reading travel and much more Seeking a SWF 20 36 who s down to earth open minded and communicative Ad# 428247

STARTING OVER Fun loving WWBM 42 5 10 w th four children loves cooking bowl lng going out and spending time with that special someone Looking for a SF age and race unimportant who s also fun loving and has sim lar interests Ad# 642682

BE THERE FOR ME SWM 19 6 5 light brown eyes black hair 200 lbs Seeking a SBF 20+ to care for him and share time together Ad# 642601

LOVE THE OUTDOORS SWM 45 5 10 med um bui d Loves the outdoors s seeks a fit lady 45 57 for weekend activity s possible romance SWM 45 60 Ad# 403918

IN THE SAME BOAT? P ofess onal DWm 36 s ooking to a SWF 25 45 a hangout w th oves who e 1 goes and what deve ops Ad# 641250

SPORTS FANATIC SWM 27 tall wavy hair 6 3 very educated and nicely bui t Seeking a fun and humorous SF age unimportant who likes sports and just having a good time Ad# 641240

HARDWORKING Honest SWM 46 seeking a SWF 35 50 who appreciates his mng and a wll ng to do her part in a sa us relationship Not looking for games Ad# 652061

SEEKING A QUALITY LADY SWM 38 who enjoys pool bowling the outdoors and watching movies 5 10 170 lbs strawberry blonde hair Searching for a SWF to spend time together and who s honest caring spontaneous and adventurous Ad# 640178

NOTHING TO LOSE SWM 62 humorous talented peccant cooking for a SF over 18 for fun and travel Ad# 635198

WALK WITH ME SWM 39 seeking a SBF who shares his interests n fish ng movies sports a bike ride in the park and more Looking for a SWF who is ready to jump into love with a great man who can treat a woman w th the respect she deserves! Ad# 659508

GREAT QUALITIES SWM 49 5 8 155 lbs hazel eyes brown hair athletic sports man looking for spec al SF 18 36 to share life with Call me before you know it we ll be curled up in front of the fire with a good book after an active day outdoors Ad# 639998

OPEN TO NEW IDEAS SWM 23 6 1 202 lbs medium build looking for spec al SF 18 36 to share life with Call me before you know it we ll be curled up in front of the fire with a good book after an active day outdoors Ad# 639998

RESPONSIBLE Retired DWM 64 5 9 165 lbs home owner with grown children Enjoys boating cook outs travel lng movies fishing and more Looking for a slim to medium bui t SWF 58 64 for companionship possibly long term relationship Ad# 632091

LOOKING FOR LOVE SWM 45 125 lbs w th blond hair Enjoys NASCAR bowling basket ball football working out and much more Looking for a SWF under 48 who has some sim lar interests Ad# 636871

HIDDEN TREASURE Hardworking SWM 34 5 11 220 lbs Enjoys clubbing dancing and movies Looking for a lov ng car ng fun outgoing stable SWF 31 40 N/S Ad# 636413

COUNTRY LIFE SWM 32 5 8 blue eyes brown hair stocky build well mannered and honest Enjoys movies coun try living music and more Seeking a SWF under 35 for a possible relationship Ad# 636307

SMILE FROM EAR TO EAR This 48 year old single who mae s looking for an upbeat single white female for quality time and happiness Ad# 638304

BACK IN THE AREA SWM 25 enjoys playing hockey and softball Looking for a SWF under 50 for friendship and good conversation to start see where it



All Ads Run Online
FREE!
A Value Of Up To \$87.00
www.hometownlife.com

Automotive
Specialized Services

Boats & Motors (8028)

CATALINA 27 Sailboat 1983 roller inboard gas perfect \$10 000 (313) 881 8743

CHRYSLER 1975 14 ft Tri Haul 55 hp w/trailer \$1200/best Ask for Dan T (734) 422 7540

FOUR WINNS 325 EXP 1992 7350 V drives full electronic \$48 900 734 397 5060

PONTOON 1997 Premier Grand Majestic aluminum deck Honda 40 50 hrs mint \$18 800 248 608 0718

SEA DOO 1997 GTX 52 hrs with trailer 3 seater mint \$4500 248 608 0718

SEA RAY 1986 Sundancer Exec cond Must sell \$14 000/best 734 374 0215

THOMPSON 1995 20 cuddly many extras low hours w/trailer (734) 416 3955

Motorcycles/Motobikes & Go Karts (8070)

BMW 2003 R1150RT Black 800 miles saddle bags ABS brakes heated grips \$13 500/best 734 591 3567

HARLEY 1997 Sportster 883 mint cond black \$7500 (734) 425 4721

Harley Davidson Softail special w/leon 1994 gray/white 12 894 miles \$12 500/best Days 313 255 3100 ext 288 John or eves 248 377 0312

Harley Davidson Heritage Springer 1997 Red & white 7054 mi \$12 500/best Days 313 255 3100 ext 288 John or eves 248 377 0312

HARLEY DAVIDSON 1999 ElectraGlide Classic Like new 4K \$15 000 734 420 2703

HARLEY DAVIDSON 1999 Dyna Wide Glide 2800 mi \$12 900 (586) 731 3625

Campers/Motor Homes & Trailers (8120)

1980 1997 Class C MOTOR HOMES WANTED Call Dale (517)230 8865

BEAUTIFUL Lake Chemung RV campground membership & 35x12 Park model w/22x10 attached screen room pool clubhouse & beach next to golf course \$29 000 MUST SELL! 352 552 4839 352 259 9138

TERRY LITE 1999 25' ext as high assembly \$3 690 many options 734 427 6743

TRAIL LITE 2002 30 ft tra le very light tow w/m dsze SUV slide \$15 000 734 365 3635

Junk Cars Wanted (8200)

ALL AUTOS TOP\$
Junked Wrecked or Running We buy & also accept donations for domestic violence shelters E & M 248 474 4425 Evenings 734 717 0428

Trucks for Sale (8220)

Chevy 1988 Blazer white 99 Western snow plow 7.5 350 motor new tires Good condition \$5500 248 855 1265

CHEVY SILVERADO 2002 4WD ext cab white w/top 10K mi \$23 995/best Lost job 248 478 4202

CHEVY SILVERADO 2002 1/2 ton extended cab V8 auto 23K \$18 000 734 495 9050

CHEVY SILVERADO 2500 HD 2001 Mint cond white crew cab 5 speed auto loaded \$17 900/best 734 968 2887

DAKOTA 1998 extended-cab auto air \$2999

FORD 1993 RANGER extended cab \$2500 734 432 6076

FORD 2001 Lighting all options & much more \$22 995

Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep (734) 455 8740

FORD 2001 F350 3 yard dump 4x4 43k mi \$19 500/best 248 360 4875

FORD 2003 F250 SD Supercab 5.4i XL FX4 2 tone \$28 000 734 427 9777

FORD F 250 Super duty 4x4 crew Lariat cap loaded 10K mi \$29 950 734 455 3298

Ford Ranger XLT 1999 5 spd 4 cyl very nice inside/out \$5200/best 734 340 2513

FORD F250 1999 ext cab auto air white 100k miles \$5900 248 719 3193

RANGER 2000 4x4 all black beauty higher miles but priced right \$6900

TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566

RANGER 2003 XLT Ext Cab black loaded 5 000 miles black beauty \$13 450

ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900

Mini Vans (8240)

CHEVY 2001 Venture LS one owner 31K burgundy sharp \$11 995

BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500

CHRYSLER Town & Country 1996 V6 loaded exc \$4K \$525/best 810 923 1008

DODGE 1998 Grand Caravan Sport 7 passenger loaded \$5 995

Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep (734) 455 8740

Dodge 2000 Caravan excel lent condition loaded 52K \$6900 734 669-4493

Mini Vans (8240)

FORD AEROSTAR 1996 XLT V6 loaded clean 60K exc cond \$5000 313 408 9248

GRAND CARAVAN 2001 electric doors front & rear air remember sprng is on the way Only \$99 down \$131/mo Why lease when you can own TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566

Grand Voyager 1997 Rallye white exc cond 86k miles loaded \$6500 734 427 0855

OLDS 1999 Silhouette leather loaded \$7 995

BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500

WINDSTAR 2000 remote doors auto air stereo every option \$99 down \$119/mo Must be working TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566

WINDSTAR 1998 GL Sharp V6 CD full power runs great \$3975/best (734) 716 0486

WINDSTAR 2000 LX 7 passenger exc cond \$7500/best (734) 584 3996

Vans (8250)

1988 1998 HANDICAP VANS WANTED Call Dale anyday (517)230 8865

DODGE 1998 250 Ram 7 pas senger 2 CDs TV exc cond \$10 500/best 313 331 9051

FORD 1992 Conversion Caps chairs TV/VCR good cond \$3000 734 464 8136

FORD CONVERSION 1995 raised roof tv vop fully loaded 5 8 liter \$5200/best (734) 421 3793

FORD E 150 2001 Chateau Club Wagon 7 passenger loaded exc cond \$14 900 (248) 465 9477

FORD ECONOLINE 1996 E 150 XLT exc mechanical cond \$3200 (734) 525 0752

GMC 1999 1 ton cargo van white auto air 100K mi \$6500 248 719 3193

GMC SAVANA Panel Van 2001 V8 auto all Super sharp one owner Only \$12 495

BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500

4 Wheel Drive (8260)

F 350 1999 4x4 low miles dual y 9 foot Fisher snow plow \$18 500 248 347 8089

FORD 1998 F150 extended cab 4x4 every option This week only \$29 down \$131/mo 1st time buyer plan available Bring Cash TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566

FORD BRONCO II 1987 estd exc V6 v tans exc cond \$2500 best (734) 427 2778

Jeep 2000 Wrangler Sport hardtop nc favless 9000 miles \$16 500 248 921 6466

Sport Utility (8290)

BLAZER 1996 LT Loaded 4x4 cd leather clean no rust \$4500/best 734 716 0486

BLAZER 2002 LS air cruise tilt pwpl alloys 21K GM certifed Now only \$11 999 OPEN SATURDAY FEB 28th 10 3

Lois LaRiche Chevrolet 1-888-372-9836

BLAZER 2002 LS loaded ow miles like new \$12 950

ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900

BLAZER 2003 LS 2 dr loaded only 2 000 miles \$13 980

ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900

CADILLAC ESCALADE 2002 Pearl white diamond V8 cus tom wheels 45k like new \$39 900/best 248 538 8800

CHEVY 2001 Suburban 4x4 LS loaded 55K exc cond leather \$23 696 call Harold (313) 724 1533

CHEVY BLAZER 2000 2x2 55K navy non smoker \$10 500 (734) 459 9866

Sport Utility (8290)

EXPLORER 2000 4x4 every opt on keyless entry like we couldn't get in with a coat hanger only \$99 down \$131/mo No cos ger needed OAC TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566

EXPLORER 2000 4 dr 4x4 burgundy 70K \$9 995

BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500

EXPLORER 2000 XLT fully loaded sunroof 4WD 4 door 40k miles Extended service plan \$12 500 734 455 4036

EXPLORER 2001 Sport Trac V6 exc cond all power \$10 500 (248) 926 0576

GMC 1995 J mmy 4 dr loaded very clean \$5 600 (734) 449 8009

GMC YUKON 2002 SLT 4X4 loaded Black 20k mi warrant y \$25 900 (734) 927 9888

GRAND CHEROKEE 1998 4x4 auto air stereo \$29 down \$121/mo No cosigner needed Must be working TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566

INFINITY QX4 2001 Premium sport package sunroof \$22 000 248 645 6455

Sport Utility (8290)

ISUZU 1994 RODEO 4wd runs good dependable clean 143k mi \$2500/best Eves 248 348 8066

LINCOLN NAVIGATOR 2001 Loaded 26 000 mles excel lent condition warranty \$25 500 248 613 2013

OLDS 2000 Bravada AWD wh te & gray power moon leather \$11 495

BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500

OLDS 2002 Bravada black AWD leather only 16 000 mles like new! \$21 950

ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900

CLASSIFIEDS WORK!
1-800-579-7355

RODEOS 2000 Q3 4x4 loaded low miles starting at \$12 950

ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900

TAHOE/YUKON 2002 2003 SLT loaded from 9 000 miles save! \$26 950

ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900

Win Red Wings Tickets!

You could be a lucky winner of four tickets to The Observer & Eccentric's SRO Club section. You'll receive 4 standing room only tickets to a Red Wings home game.

Here's how to enter: Send a postcard with your name a day time phone number, your address and the names of your 3 guests to:

SRO TICKETS c/o THE OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC NEWSPAPERS
36251 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150
(Send one entry only)

Winners names will be chosen from all postcard entries and published every Thursday & Sunday in your Observer & Eccentric Classified section. We do not contact winners.

Employees of The Observer & Eccentric and The Detroit Red Wings are not eligible.

THIS WEEK'S LUCKY WINNERS ARE:

- February 29th.....Angelina Giacomca of Rochester Hills
- March 3rd.....Jay Waldman of Farmington Hills
- March 5th.....Jack Burns of Birmingham

Please call (734) 953-2155 or (734) 953-2151 to receive information about your tickets.

Congratulations! And enjoy the game!

Observer & Eccentric
NEWSPAPERS

A WHALE of a SALE!

MONDAY, MARCH 1st 6-9 PM

Come in and meet some of your favorite players from the Plymouth Whalers!

Enter our raffle to win tickets to a Whalers Game!

EVERYONE IS ELIGIBLE FOR CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE PRICING*

LEASE PULL AHEAD IS HERE! IF YOUR LEASE EXPIRES BEFORE SEPT. 3RD... YOU ARE OUT!

<p>2004 STRATUS SXT 2.7 V6 eng ne power windows & locks four spd auto & much more e. SIK #43140 Total Before Discount \$21 355</p> <p>CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$157 PER MO \$13,138*</p> <p>Preferred Customer 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$198 PER MO \$14,709*</p>	<p>2004 INTREPID SE 60/40 Split folding seat, pwr windows & locks cruise tilt & much more SIK #44003 Total Before Discount \$23 705</p> <p>CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$215 PER MO \$14,699*</p> <p>Preferred Customer 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$262 PER MO \$16,455*</p>	<p>2004 GRAND CARAVAN SE Keyless AM/FM Cassette/CD power windows power locks cruise control tilt wheel sunscreen glass 3.3 V6 and much more SIK #45065</p> <p>Total Before Discount... \$27,230</p> <p>CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE 24 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$211 PER MO \$16,815*</p> <p>Preferred Customer 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$266 PER MO \$18,760*</p>
<p>2003 DURANGO SXT 4x4 Power windows power locks air conditioning and much more e. SIK #3A321 Total Before Discount \$31 175</p> <p>CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$20,827*</p> <p>Preferred Customer 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$22,790*</p>	<p>2004 DURANGO 4x4 AM/FM/CD 6 disc, MP3 5 spd auto 47 Magnum V8 trailer tow p or & much more SIK #44001 Total Before Discount \$30 175</p> <p>CHRYSLER EMPLOYEE 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$253 PER MO \$23,268*</p> <p>Preferred Customer 39 MO LEASE BUY FOR \$317 PER MO \$25,464*</p>	

Dick Scott Dodge

684 ANN ARBOR RD. PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
1/2 Miles West of I-275, Exit 28
www.DickScottOnline.com
1-800-227-1180

SALES HOURS:
Mon. & Thurs. 9am - 9pm;
Tues., Wed. & Fri. 9am - 6pm;
Sat. 10am - 3pm

SERVICE/PARTS:
Mon. & Thurs. 7am - 8pm;
Tues., Wed. & Fri. 7am - 6pm

*Everyone is eligible for Chrysler Employee Pricing when consumer obtains Employee Choice Number from Chrysler Employee or Retiree. **With approved credit based on term shown. Rebates included where applicable. To get total of lease payments multiply term x payment. Option to purchase at lease end at predetermined price. Mileage not to exceed 12,000 miles per year. \$0.20/mile excess. Lessee responsible for wear and tear. Payments are plus tax. Must qualify for lease loyalty program. Must qualify for lease and owner loyalty. Picture may not represent actual vehicle. †Plus tax, title, plates, destination & documentation fees. Must qualify for Chrysler employee on ALL Prices and Payments. Expires 3-1-04.

HOT Wheel Deals

Zero Out Of Pocket!

<p>2004 Civic VP</p> <p>Automatic car CD & more [MODEL #ES1634W]</p> <p>Lease For \$200⁰⁰*/mo.</p>	<p>2004 Civic LX</p> <p>Auto pwr windows & locks CD car cruise tilt ABS keyless & more [MODEL #ES1654PW]</p> <p>Lease For \$216⁰⁰*/mo.</p>
<p>2004 Accord LX</p> <p>Auto power windows & locks cruise tilt keyless ABS 2 door [MODEL #CM7224PLW]</p> <p>Lease For \$285⁰⁰*/mo.</p>	<p>2004 Odyssey EX</p> <p>Cloth power windows power locks cruise control tilt wheel [MODEL #RL1864PKW]</p> <p>Lease For \$342⁰⁰*/mo.</p>

Fischer Honda

15 E. MICHIGAN AVE. • YPSILANTI
1-800-570-5874
OPEN SATURDAY 10-5
HOURS: MON. & THU. 9-9; TUE., WED. & FRI. 9-6
JUST MINUTES FROM I-275
Visit us on the web at www.fischerhonda.com

*Plus plate, 16 month lease, zero down, 12,000 miles per year.

CHECK THIS OUT!

2003 L-200

Automatic, air, power windows, power locks, cruise control and CD.

\$159⁰⁰ PER MO.

OPEN
Monday & Thursday 8am - 9pm
Tues., Wed., Fri. 8am - 6pm

Open Saturdays
9 am - 2 pm

Saturn of Plymouth

On Haggerty, South of Ann Arbor Road
(734) 453-7890

SATURN.

*29 month/29 000 mile lease Payment plus tax 1st payment doc & plate fees due at lease signing Payments based on approved credit with preferred lender Subject to program availability

Sport Utility (8290) TRAIL BLAZER 2002 LT Onstar 4x4 full power GM Certified Was \$22,900 now only \$17,542 OPEN SATURDAY FEB 28th 10-3 Lou LaRiche Chevrolet 1-888-372-9836	Sports & Imported (8300) MERCEDES 1999 CLK430 AMG black coupe winter wheels 44K warranty \$29,500 734 207 1767 MERCEDES 560 SEC 1986 Beautiful car! If you love this car this is the one for you! (248) 547 1103 MERCEDES 1998 SLK Red 82000 miles loaded \$35,000 MERCEDES 1989 300E Silver moonroof leather 92K mi les \$9500 248 608 0718 PORSCHE 911 Coupe 1987 red black leather 350 leas 16 fuchs sunroof loaded 89K \$23,900 248 475 8831 SUZUKI 2003 Aeno low mi les loaded 7 to choose starting at \$8,450 Call today ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900	Antique & Classic Collector Cars (8320) CHEVROLET CAPRICE 1975 White convertible V8 exc cond \$8500 248 545 1391 COLLECTOR WANTS Shelby's Boss & Big Block Mustangs 69 71 Trans Ams Cameros Chevelles & Amxs Cash 248 672 6663 ELDORADO S 1983 2 southern cars needs repair \$2300/best (248) 426 9812 FORD GALAXY 1965 390 black/black 69K miles original paint \$4500 (248) 347 6089	Cadillac (8380) CTS 2003 wh to leather moonroof 16K \$27,995 BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500 DEVILLE 1998 D Elegance dark green Exc cond 48,500 mi \$9995 248 656 9448 ELDORADO 1991 ac convert ed 113K good cond \$2500 (248) 539 0822 SEVILLE 1998 SLS black 73K super sharp \$11,995 BOB JEANNOTTE PONTIAC (734) 453 2500 SEVILLE 2001 STS cash mere sunroof only 4700 miles save half! \$27,980 ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900	Chevrolet (8400) CORSICA 1991 Low miles exc cond 4 dr \$2500/best Call (734) 266 3689 MALIBU 2001 LS go d sun roof loaded folding rear seat priced to sell ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900 MALIBU 2003 LS full power moon 21K like new GM Certified was \$14,493 now only \$11,999 OPEN SATURDAY FEB 28th 10-3 Lou LaRiche Chevrolet 1-888-372-9836	Chevrolet (8400) FRIZM 2002 air auto cruise power locks low miles CD 4 new tres GM certified Now only \$7,777 7 other Przmz in stock OPEN SATURDAY FEB 28th 10-3 Lou LaRiche Chevrolet 1-888-372-9836	Ford (8480) Contour SVT 1998 As is body & inter or good condit on Mechanical needs work \$1500 734 215 1272 ESCORT 1999 ZX2 auto air stereo only \$2999 shop TYME & Save TYME AUTO (734) 455 5566 ESCORT 1995 air auto new timing belt & tires tuned 98K \$2,450 734 459 3819 ESCORT 1995 LX Great condit on sunroof loaded low miles \$2695 734 453 1334 Escort 2000 ZX2 power ABS cruise CD air sunroof leather \$5500/best 734 416 8198 FOCUS 2000 SE exc cond belge 4 door all power \$7890 248 738 0892 FOCUS 2002 ZX5 4 dr power everything auto 14,000 mi les custom wheels remote start dark blue like new \$9,950 (734) 425 3217 FOCUS 2002 ZX3 auto ps/pb air CD cruise 27500 mi \$8500 734 591 0989 FOCUS 2003 Wagon SE auto air 7K factory warranty \$10,200 (734) 525 7917 MUSTANG 1994 GT Convertible Red custom exhaust 57K \$7550 734 502 1230 MUSTANG 1999 yellow loaded V6 5 speed 29K super clean \$8900/best 734 397 8662 MUSTANG 2000 GT dark red 4.6L manual 26K miles loaded excellent cond \$14,200 (734) 394 1655	Ford (8480) MUSTANG 2001 GT convert ible mint cond loaded low mi \$16,200 (810) 220 1481 TAURUS 1996 LX 24 valve ABS 100K \$2300 (734) 397 4781 TAURUS 2004 SE charcoal just 41 miles \$14,950 ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900 TAURUS SES 2001 Loaded 4 dr exc cond 40K \$8,995/best Lost job 248 478 4202 TOPAZ 1991 79K runs good new tres asking \$900 or best offer (734) 422 6676	Oldsmobile (8640) ALERO 1999 GLS leather 59K \$6,995 Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep (734) 455 8740 AURORA 2001 sunroof white diamond loaded SAVE \$13,480 ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900
---	--	---	--	---	--	---	--	---

Allstate
1-800-Allstate

Dick Scott's Used Car Best Shots of the Week!

2003 KIA RIO Auto, AC, stereo, Stock #P1700 Starting at \$6,956	2003 SPECTRA Auto, AC, stereo, w/CD, Several to choose from Starting at \$8,923
2000 NISSAN SENTRA Loaded & perfect Selling for \$9,972	2003 KIA OPTIMA Loaded with every opt on \$10,993
2003 HYUNDAI TIBURON Loaded with good opt Priced To Sell Fast! \$11,938	2002 FORD ESCAPE Auto loaded 22K mi les \$12,933

Dick Scott KIA
41840 MICHIGAN AVE. CANTON
Toll Free: 1-866-566-8447
www.DickScottONLINE.com

Dick Scott's Used Car Best Shots of the Week!

1987 GRAND MARQUIS LS Leather, automatic, power seats \$5,995	2001 TOYOTA COROLLA LE Only 24K mi les auto fu l power \$9,495
1998 VW PASSAT GLS V6 leather moon roof \$10,995	2001 FORD RANGER 4X4 Supercab 4 door off road pkg 29K \$13,995
2000 GMC SIERRA EXT CAB 4x4 271 third door clean \$16,995	2003 NISSAN ALTIMA SL Leathe moon heated seats \$17,995

Dick Scott NISSAN
42175 MICHIGAN AVE. CANTON
Toll Free: 1-800-725-9415

Sell your car here and you'll save a bundle!

The Observer & Eccentric Classified Advertising is one of the most reliable sources for connecting buyers with sellers. If you have a car that you'd like to sell, run your auto liner ad for 3 issues and if you don't sell it, we'll run it for **3 Issues FREE!**

Call today for details
1-800-579-SELL (7355)
or
1-866-818-SOLD (7653)
Must buy 3 issues to get this special!

Honda (8520) ACCORD EX 2004 4 dr loaded charcoal grey leather \$23,000 (734) 844 7122 CIVIC EX 1998 2 Dr air pl cruise pw 1 owner ps am fm stereo sun roof 5 Spd 49K Miles Excellent Condition \$8,100 Tel 734 367 7090 EX 2003 warranty mint cond 18K leather 1 owner \$19,900 (734) 542 3919	Jeep (8535) GRAND CHEROKEE 2001 Limited 34K leather moon \$18,995 Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep (734) 455 8740 GRAND CHEROKEE 2003 Laredo wh to 20K \$19,888 Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep (734) 455 8740	Mercury (8600) GRAND MARQUIS LS 1997 Leather loaded new engine/brakes/tires \$5,500 (734) 981 3071 MYSTIQUE 1998 LS Green V6 manual 4 door 64K miles loaded clean \$5,100 (734) 394 1655 SABLE GS 99 49K mi Gold 25K Ford extended warranty option \$5700 248 737 8896 Oldsmobile (8640) ALERO 1999 4 Dr 82K Runs great clean \$5,500 248 914 3944	Oldsmobile (8640) ALERO 1999 GLS leather 59K \$6,995 Fox Hills Chrysler-Jeep (734) 455 8740 AURORA 2001 sunroof white diamond loaded SAVE \$13,480 ROGIN BUICK LIVONIA 734 525 0900 TAURUS SES 2001 Loaded 4 dr exc cond 40K \$8,995/best Lost job 248 478 4202 TOPAZ 1991 79K runs good new tres asking \$900 or best offer (734) 422 6676
---	--	---	---

Switch to LaRiche and SAVE!

OPEN SATURDAY

FEBRUARY 28TH 10AM-3PM

SIGN & DRIVE!

NO DOWN PAYMENT. NO SECURITY DEPOSIT. NO FIRST PAYMENT

LEASE PULL AHEAD EXTENDED THROUGH MARCH 1ST
For GMAC Leases Expiring Now through August 31st

PROGRAMS END MONDAY MARCH 1ST at 9PM!

2004 Malibu LS GM EMPLOYEE \$214 PER MONTH ZERO DOWN Zero Due at Signing M.S.R.P. \$21,075 \$17,547* Keyless Entry Power Adjust Pedals AM/FM-CD Floor Mats Auto OD Cruise Control Much More #9471	2004 Trailblazer GM EMPLOYEE \$283 PER MONTH ZERO DOWN Zero Due at Signing M.S.R.P. \$29,290 \$22,480* P. Mirrors Rear Defogger Deep Tinted Glass Cruise Pwr. Windows Power Locks Tilt Much More #4459
2004 Impala GM EMPLOYEE \$207 PER MONTH ZERO DOWN Zero Due at Signing M.S.R.P. \$22,390 \$16,657* Cruise Power Windows Power Locks Tilt Auto OD AM/FM Stereo Much More #9257	2004 Silverado Ext. Cab 4 Dr. GM EMPLOYEE \$295 PER MONTH ZERO DOWN Zero Due at Signing M.S.R.P. \$28,852 \$21,766* 5300 V8 Aluminum Wheels Light Duty Pwr. Pkg. Radio/CD HD Trailering Power Windows Power Locks Tilt Cruise Too Much to list... #4256

*Plus tax title and plates. All rebates to dealer. **Plus tax title and plates. 48 month/48,000 miles. Lessee responsible for excess wear and tear. Excess mileage charge = 20¢. All payments and prices less owner loyalty. Rebates where applicable. Subject to prior sale. Expires 3/1/04

Lou LaRiche CHEVROLET
1-888-369-3313
Sale Hours: Monday & Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION
40875 Plymouth Rd.
At Haggerty Rd. • Across from Unisys
www.LaRicheCHEVY.com
www.SwitchToLaRiche.com

Map showing location at the intersection of Plymouth Rd and Ann Arbor Rd.

Are you in need of a new car?

Look in The Observer & Eccentric Classifieds for a great deal!

It's all about RESULTS!
Find us on the internet at www.hometownlife.com
Call us at 800-579-SELL (7355)

Cook Imports MEMBER OF THE SUBURBAN COLLECTION

NISSAN

2003 NISSAN Murano SL AWD
Auto, sunroof, air, CD, iTHR
Was \$32,065
Sale \$26,675
\$369**
39 MO. \$999 Due LEASE
2 at Similar Savings

2003 NISSAN Pathfinder SE 4x4
Bodyside moldings floor mats popular pkg Bose audio
Was \$30,395
Sale \$25,235*
\$349**
39 MO. \$999 Due LEASE
2 at Similar Savings

2003 NISSAN ALTIMA S
Auto, Air P/W AM/FM CD
Was \$20,225
Sale \$15,259*
\$199**
39 MO. \$999 Due LEASE
2 at Similar Savings

2003 Clearance Sale

Model	Was	Sale Price
03 Sentra	\$15,225	\$10,695*
03 Xterra XE	\$27,824	\$22,495*
03 Frontier 4x4 XE V6	\$24,878	\$19,599*
03 Murano Demo	\$34,813	\$29,995*
03 Murano Demo	\$32,085	\$27,695*
03 Murano SE Demo	\$36,384	\$30,599*
03 Altima S	\$25,143	\$19,999*

member of the SUBURBAN COLLECTION

Cook IMPORTS
37911 Grand River Farmington Hills
TOLL FREE: 888-226-3702
Mon. & Thurs. 9-9; Tues., Wed. & Fri. 9-6

VOLKSWAGEN

VOLKSWAGEN SPECIAL
Buy or lease now 2004 Volkswagen model from COOK VOLKSWAGEN and get the Apple iPod with 1GB hard drive at no extra charge

2004 JETTA GL
5 spd manual trans. P/W, P/L, tinted windows, air, CD, side-impact curtain air bags, ABS, tinted pwr mirrors, floor mats & much more!
Was \$18,005
Buy for **\$16,405****
Lease for **\$198*** Mo.
48 mo lease, 12K mi/year \$1250 due @ signing, 1st mo pymt, plus tax, title & dealer fee. Includes \$500 loyalty bonus. Transfer incl new plate higher Sec dep waived w/ approved credit thru preferred source. Offer good thru 2/27/04.

2004 TOUAREG V6
4x Motion 5 spd auto, tinted windows, sunroof, htd seats, P/W, P/L, prem sound system & much more!
Was \$36,015
Buy for **\$35,015****
Lease for **\$423*** Mo.
48 mo lease, 12K mi/year \$2999 due @ signing, 1st mo pymt plus tax title & dealer fee. Transfer incl new plate higher Sec dep waived w/ approved credit thru preferred source. Offer good thru 2/27/04.

2004 PASSAT GL
5 spd auto P/W P/L tint, cruise air CD keyless entry & much more!
Was \$23,430
Buy for **\$20,930****
Lease for **\$274*** Mo.
48 mo lease, 12K mi/year \$1999 due @ signing, 1st mo pymt plus tax title & dealer fee. Includes \$1500 loyalty bonus. Transfer incl new plate higher Sec dep waived w/ approved credit thru preferred source. Offer good thru 2/27/04.

member of the SUBURBAN COLLECTION

Cook IMPORTS
37911 Grand River Farmington Hills
TOLL FREE: 888-226-3703
Mon. & Thurs. 9-9; Tues., Wed. & Fri. 9-6

Audi

RS6 Now Avail. 2004 A8's

In Stock & Ready For Immediate Delivery

2004 A4 1.8 QUATTRO
Loaded! Stk #H36315
\$398** mo.
2003 A6 3.0 QUATTRO
DEMO Stk #33607
WAS **\$42,335**
SALE PRICE **\$36,850***
Clearance Sale Still In Progress On Every Remaining 2003 Audi

member of the SUBURBAN COLLECTION

Cook IMPORTS
37911 Grand River Farmington Hills
TOLL FREE: 800-676-4877
Mon. & Thurs. 9-9; Tues., Wed. & Fri. 9-6

PORSCHE

Michigan's #1 Porsche Retailer
Featuring Michigan's Largest Selection of Porsches

2004 PORSCHE CAYENNE
\$587*/mo.

2003 Closeout Sale

Boxster	Silver/Black	\$38,826**
Boxster	Midnight Blue/Black	\$39,993**
Boxster	Silver/Black	\$41,723**
Carrera Coupe	Meridian/Gray	\$65,937**
Carrera Coupe	Black/Black	\$66,937**
Carrera Cab	Silver/Red	\$77,888**
Carrera Coupe	Blue/Beige	\$68,848**
Carrera C4 Cab	Silver/Black	\$79,696**
Targa	Silver/Blue	\$59,231**

member of the SUBURBAN COLLECTION

Cook IMPORTS
37911 Grand River Farmington Hills
TOLL FREE: 800-676-4430
Mon. & Thurs. 9-9; Tues., Wed. & Fri. 9-6

MAZDA

Come In and Test Drive an All New Mazda Today!
Ford Employees, Family & Friends Eligible for Additional Savings!

0% APR Fin.
Up to 60 Mos. on 2004 MPV, Tribute & Mazda 6

ALL NEW MAZDA6 \$16,995*
LEASE \$199/mo.

ALL NEW TRIBUTE 4X4 \$19,995*
LEASE \$259/mo.

ALL NEW 2004 MAZDA3 Starting at \$14,500*

Largest Selection of RX8's 2004 RX8 \$329**
Introductory Lease Special

ALL NEW 2004 MPV LX \$19,995*

member of the SUBURBAN COLLECTION

Cook IMPORTS
37911 Grand River Farmington Hills
TOLL FREE: 888-226-3705
Mon. & Thurs. 9-9; Tues., Wed. & Fri. 9-6

women seeking men

Call 1-900-226-9950 \$2.19 per minute \$2.19 per call connect fee

DEVOTED
SWF 33 mother of three 56 Auburn hair brown eyes sagging nose and funny. Enjoys fishing camping boating gardening cooking and more Seeking a SWM 34-45 for a possible long term relationship. Ad# 472299

LOVING & HONEST
SWF 30 5'8" 175 lbs with dark skin and a full figure in search of a down to earth SBM under 45 who is easy to talk to for companionship and go out times together. Ad# 498909

ARE YOU FOR ME?
Very attractive SWF 34 seeking financially secure generous gentleman over 35. Talk first. Ad# 498880

OLDER LOVE IS SWEETER
Are you interested in meeting a sweet classy pe early 80's beautiful brown hair and eyes who is looking for a tall matured 58-70 year old gentleman emotionally and financially secure. Ad# 493303

TAME MY HEART
SWF 55 5'2 130 lbs She is adventurous loves to travel dine out stay active and much more Seeking a SWM 55-70 who does not take life for granted and has similar interests. Ad# 495606

WINK AT ME
Energetic vivacious sweet SWF 54 5'11 Interests are the Arts opera dancing good conversations and intellectual discussions Seeking a caring fun loving SWM 65-75 for a possible relationship. Ad# 496495

PATIENTLY WAITING 4 U
SWF 60 Auburn hair green eyes professional Enjoys travel week end get-a-ways camping outdining and more Seeking a SWM 57-70 who is loving humorous N/S N/D fun and affectionate. Ad# 405309

I AM FOR YOU
SWF 65 attractive blonde Looking for a fun loving relationship with SWM under 70 Don't delay. Ad# 495981

STARTING OVER
Divorced white female 37 blonde blue eyes 5'8" medium build great personality Interests include camping outdoors sports travel dining out/in and dancing Looking for single white male 37-47 with same interests. Ad# 482787

MY IDEAL MAN
SWF 36 5'7 sexy mom's senera with some college like k ck box lung exercising swimming and much more I can offer honesty sincerely dedication to an educated family oriented SWM 30-43. Ad# 494134

SHARE A MOMENT NIGHT
Bubbly SWF 55 5'4 135 lbs red dish/blonde hair hazel eyes Enjoys bowling sports and exercise Looking for a sincere good humored SWM 50-62. Ad# 493215

A REAL GEM
Green eyed appealing WWWW 49 3'7 humorous homemaker aggressive loves the outdoors gardening travel and sports Seeking a SM 39-70 compassionate and nice looking. Ad# 488338

CALL ME
SWF 33 smoke occurs on a d nke Enjoys swimming bicycling works on aquariums Seeking SWM 28-43 Sound nite esting? Ad# 485274

GOOD FRIEND
Sem retired SWF 59 5'6 with blonde hair stays busy Like home fe family gatherings dances t nese Seeking reliable good hearted SM any age. Ad# 484727

HOLD MY HAND
SWF 43 5'5 with a wonderful personality My hobbies include camping walks on the beach bowling horses sports and sun sets would like to meet an honest carng SWM 35-55. Ad# 481648

GOOD NATURED
SWF 56 6'1 medium build college graduate non-smoker Enjoys working out theatre movies walking and more Seeking a SWM 63 plus 53-62 who is well groomed and professional on for friendship. Ad# 470261

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE & OUT
SWF 55 5'4 edouly hair brown eyes Enjoys movies theater boat ing swimming cooking and t me with family Seeking a SWM 55-79 who is ambitious sport itual successful and fun. Ad# 473611

FAITHFUL
Outgoing compahb e SWF 19 5'6 who currently is a stay at home mom enjoys movies d nring and spending special times w th an honest SWM under 30 who is more of a "hug". Ad# 483293

MARRIAGE MINDED
Profess our SWF 50 who enjoys social z ng the outdoors cooking and more Seeking a compassionate ate carng SWM 43-52. Ad# 482998

INTERESTED?
SBF 44 enjoys church plays good covers satlln singing and more Looking for a SBM 40-46 with s m lar interests Sincere replies only! Ad# 482616

ALL MY LOVE
SWF 55 who is hoping to meet a SNAM around the same age If this is you call me! Ad# 482471

SOMETHING REAL
SWF 25 blonde hair blue eyes bubbly friendly and easy to get along with Enjoys computers movies good conversation with friends and more Seeking a SM who is honest trustworthy humorous and open. Ad# 482193

NOT PERFECT
SBF 38 with two teens physically challenged walks with cane Seeking relationship with SM 38-58 understanding and special. Ad# 473738

LIFE IS TOO SHORT
SWF 61 medium height with blue eyes and blonde hair Enjoys staying active and having fun Looking for a N/S SWM 58-66 who does n't play hard games. Ad# 420010

CUTE BLONDE WIDOW
I'm 5'10 155 lbs 58 romantic secure SF seeking a nice looking male 5'7 to 6'11 slim to medium build who enjoys dancing golf live theater and good conversation on Macomb County. Ad# 403562

LOOKING FOR
Fun loving relationship 59 5'2 SWF brown hair medium build good personality Friendly com passionate like to meet a man 65-72 with the same No games Someone that I can be fun loving with and also serious pretty versatile with going out. Ad# 444245

THE OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC PRESENTS

Personal Scene

Place your FREE print ad, call 1-800-487-2038 24 hours/7 days a week

NOW THERE'S 3 GREAT WAYS TO RESPOND TO THESE ADS

1 1-900-226-9950 \$2.19 PER MINUTE 2.19 PER CALL CONNECT FEE charges will appear on your monthly telephone bill

2 1-866-899-5644 \$2.49 PER MINUTE using your credit card you pay as you go charges will appear on your credit card statement

3 1-800-487-2038 use your credit card to purchase tokens for as little as \$34 per token or to respond FREE to ads

For even more ads visit <http://www.observersingles.com>

View a photo of this person online

Respond to this ad for FREE by calling 1-800-487-2038

View an expanded profile for this person online

SHARE LIFE
SBF 38 5'2 medium build kind loving and communicative Enjoys reading pncnc nature boating t me w th fr ends and family good conversation and much mo e Seeking a SBM 35-50 who is handsome religious pleasant and has similar interests. Ad# 478614

CUTE
Pet to SWF 51 owns many active tiles Seeking a SWM under 48 Please call me. Ad# 478476

LET'S SEE WHAT BLOOMS
SWF 64 5'2 118 lbs B onde who is happy and outgoing interests are the outdoors movies and gardening Seeking a lovable and honest SNAM 60-70 who is outgoing for companionship and possible relationship. Ad# 477392

BROWN EYED LADY
SWF 54 48 enjoys barbecued rbs funny movies page turning books Desires a SWM N/S 40-55 that can look up to who can make me laugh is sort of handsome and secure in finances and self. Ad# 471961

A COMPANION
SBF 48 professional full figured Enjoys concerts time with family travel walking and more Seeking a SM who is open honest loving and a able. Ad# 473235

COMPANIONSHIP
Cassy blonde WWWW 65 5'3 120 lbs who enjoys dining out golf and t ave Searching for a SW gentleman 65-72. Ad# 473072

GOAL ORIENTED
SWF 29 5'9 with bush green eyes and a full figure Inte ests are fishing camping swimming and much more In search of a SWM 26-37 for friendship to start that can lead into a long term relationship. Ad# 471960

SHY BUT OUTGOING
SWF 42 petite w th blonde hair and blue eyes interests are the outdoors working out gardening etc Searching for an attractive F1 SWM 35-47 who has a similar interests with good morals. Ad# 418148

NEW TO THE ADS
Loving all the SBF 21 5'2 150 lbs ca smel complexion Enjoys basketball football and mo e Looking to a confident SBM who knows what he wants out of fe. Ad# 471866

ENJOY LIFE
SWF 37 5'7 w th blue eyes and b own hair interests are t me w th her ch ldren camping basketball cooking and romantic evenings Looking for a SWM 30-45 who is fun to be around. Ad# 444655

ALWAYS SMILING
SWF 44 5'7 with b own hair and hazel eyes Interests are swimming shopping NASCAR fishing and much more In search of a SWM 51 6'3 34-50 who is honest and trustworthy. Ad# 468434

WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO YOU?
SWF 56 5'6 ave age build with brown hair & eyes interested in garden ng dance swimming cooking & romantic evenings Looking for an honest faithful SWM 51-60 with great eyes who oves ch ldren and intel gent conversation. Ad# 469106

AWESOME COOK!
Fun loving outgoing SWF 44 5'7 brown hair and green eyes loves to laugh My hobbies include t ave swimming boating and shopping I'm searching for an honest loving outgoing SWM 34-52 5'11 6'2 w th a husky build. Ad# 489027

READ THIS!
SWF 32 5'7 an oys ong walks roller blading b k ng good conversation and motorcycles She is searching for a sincere attractive fitnace ally secure SBM 26-37 no drugs and no games. Ad# 469008

SOAR WITH ME
A SWM 60 pilot who enjoys sand and sun beaches We m weather flying t ave flyng etc I wou d like to meet a SF 48-58 in the White Lake area All calls returned. Ad# 481076

ALL AROUND GUY
SBM 26 6'3 275 lbs pretty straight teeth student with vehicle Seeking SF under 40 to spend t me w th. Ad# 497132

HARLEY WILL TRAVEL
Seeking adventurous woman under 55 for fun t mes with th SWM 54 who has a Harley bike. Ad# 496428

WANNA FALL IN LOVE?
Well built 5'9 185 lbs 36 year old SWM vary ha dwork ng likes to have fun and enjoys quiet t mes w th that special woman Looking for an honest trustworthy SWF 25-45 for dining out movies and dancing. Ad# 442480

WHY NOT?
I vorced sl m white male 59 6'1 enjoys outdoors gardening working n the house the water and much much mo e Searching for a sl m w th female family or ented for friendship and possibly more. Ad# 403951

MILK CHOCOLATE
Charm ng outgoing SBM 25 6'180 lbs light complexion Interests include basketball friends and culture Seeking a SBF under 32 with a great sense of humor. Ad# 495724

A REAL MAN
SWM young 53 long brown hair 5'9 165 lbs semi retired N/S Seeking a nice looking AF 21-35 who is non mater astic and marriage minded. Ad# 495677

GOOD CATCH
Kind warm sensitive SBM 39 5'9 enjoys many interests Seeking a well read balanced SBF who knows herself. Ad# 496635

YOU AND ME
SWM 35 5'11 175 lbs outgoing likes meeting new people n the area Seeking educated SF under 55 who knows who she s For dancing drinks and much more. Ad# 485057

YOUR OPENING LINE
Amusing easygoing SWM 33 6' med um build w th brown hair and eyes Looking for a nice looking female SF 18-35 open and no hang ups. Ad# 484159

BIG HUGS
SWM 54 5'11 enjoys d nring shooting pool good movies and quiet times at home together Looking for an accepting SF 18 plus who is outgoing for a long term relationship. Ad# 447348

WAITING FOR YOU
Single white male 29 155 lbs blue eyes self employed outgoing interesting intelligent Lige fishing seeking s n g a female 24-35 career oriented. Ad# 481711

TRUSTWORTHY
SWM 55 tall fianc ally secure and loyal Enjoys water skiing boating motorcycles and more Seeking a SWF under 50 for a possible relationship. Ad# 447649

IN SEARCH OF LOVE
SWM 52 with brown hair and a mustache Enjoys dining out the outdoors etc Looking for a SWF 40-53 who is outgoing for a long term relationship. Ad# 420370

THE TIME OF MY LIFE
Laid back SWM 57 6' who enjoys video games sci f art fa rs and ant qu Seeking an energetic humorous SF under 50. Ad# 482830

KISSES FROM ME
A hrt o don't see e c an happy SWM 43 5'9 v o e oys sports wo k ng out an mas and mo e Seeking an honest ca ng va m and sens t ve SF 35-50 who can carry on an nte gent conversation. Ad# 468065

RELAXING TALKS
Ext avant SBM 31 who enjoys wo k ng out softball games mus c and shooting pool Seeking a fun and exciting SF over 31. Ad# 482387

A COMPANION
SWM 32 5'9 170 lbs b own hair and eyes Seeking a SF under 40 for a long term relationship. Ad# 482287

ALL MY HEART
Outgoing nice SBM 27 who enjoys nice classic cars and more in search of carng s nca e SBF 21-35. Ad# 482276

EASY TO TALK TO!
Single white male 45 6'2 209 lbs muscular ath ete c brown hair blue eyes clean out decrease never married no dependants outgoing personality enjoys roller blading and outdoor sports etc Seeking a friendly s n g a female Wayne County. Ad# 404065

LIFE IS BETTER SHARED
White male dentist 45 6'13 lbs 54 very successful and attractive Seeking white female 38 to 50 5'4 plus s m non smoker very attractive and physically fit who loves t me d nring t ave outdng and seeks a best friend. Ad# 403950

SPECIAL TIMES AHEAD
The quiet and easygoing SWM 40 s seeking an outgoing and humorous SWF 32-40 who shares s m lar interests w th me such as sports traveling and riding motorcycles. Ad# 481969

LOOKING FOR ME?
I am a SWM 28 5'9 w th dark hair/eyes outgoing and fun to be around like pay ng gu r t shing and outdoor sports and am looking to meet an attract ve SF 18-38. Ad# 481886

WHO ARE YOU INSIDE?
WWWW 45 5'10 200 lbs with blonde hair blue eyes with varied interests Seeking talented fun SWF 30-40 who likes outdoors. Ad# 481086

EMPTY HOUSE
SWM 54 6' 200 lbs Loves keeping fit and eating healthy Seeking SF w th s m lar values and loves lfe to a relationship. Ad# 480753

FIND OUT MORE
SWM 55 s nca d r nke Enjoys theater fine dnc music feasts ve s camping and mo e Seeking a SF under 63 who is gert e ov ng kind hearted compassionate and p assant. Ad# 480468

A NEW START
SWM 22 5'10 dark hair green eyes 175 lbs outgoing and humorous Enjoys sports mus c moves go ng out w th fr ends and mo e Seeking a SWF under 26 who is honest outgoing kind hearted and fun ov ng. Ad# 480407

Here's Bob.

He's looking for an attractive woman 30-40 years old.

Bob decides to call 1-800-487-2038 to respond to this ad.

including:

- 3 Chatting Online
- 2 Chatting By Phone
- Key Bob!
- Press 2 to CHAT LIVE or leave a voice message for any of them right now!

The Publisher assumes no liability for the content of or replies to any advertisement or voice greeting. Such liability rests exclusively with the advertiser or respondent who agrees to indemnify and hold this publication and U/Mate s employees and agents harmless from all costs expenses liabilities and damages resulting from or caused by this publication or recording a reply by the advertiser or any other person. The advertiser and respondent agree that they are at least 18 years old. Advertiser voice greetings will be ejected if they contain "fast names" phone numbers any addresses a mail addresses or explicit sexual language. You should screen your responses carefully. If a meeting should be held in a public place. The use of cordless or cellular phones is discouraged. Copyright U/Mate 08/19/03

Questions? Contact Customer Service - call 1-866-281-2976. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9a.m.-10p.m. EST or visit us online and click CONTACT US to send us an e-mail. Customer Service provided by DRMO.

M Male B Black EI East Indian F Female C Christian W White A Asian S Single WW Widowed N/S Non Smoker NA Native American H Hispanic

Automotive

Classifieds inside

To place an ad call toll free
1-800-579-SELL (7355)
Fax (734) 953-2232

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday February 26 2004

The 2004 Toyota Sienna

Advertising Feature

Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

Last weekend, the 2004 Toyota Sienna was taking one of the toughest and most important tests that a vehicle can undergo. Confronting potential danger on the road in a real-life situation that involved some urgency. And I'm happy to say that the completely redesigned minivan passed that test - and everything else - with flying colors.

On our way and in a hurry to get to a college visit we encountered menacing black ice from southbound I 275 north of Plymouth all the way westbound on M 14 around Ann Arbor to I-94 westbound, and a little beyond. Literally, dozens of vehicles of all sorts were spinning out on a route that very suddenly had become treacherous. They were freshly arrayed in various sideways and backward positions on the shoulders and beyond, and scattered all over the median with occupants on their cell phones trying to get assistance. In degree, it was a sight I'd never seen before.

But the Sienna carrying my family and me, the front-wheel drive version, was extremely sure-footed - so much so, in fact, that it deepened the mystery surrounding what road conditions could wipe out so many other vehicles. Even on a point at M 14 where traffic literally was stopped in the middle of the free way as a hulking SUV struggled to get up an incline I was able to inch the Sienna around the mess without even an inch of slippage, and back onto the unobstructed road.

I paid tact compliments to the Vehicle Stability Control and Traction Control that were designed to help out in such situations. And I was gratified that Toyota engineers had taken the care to make Sienna which carries around thousands of families like mine - so performance dependable. Especially notable is the fact that I wasn't even driving the all-wheel-drive version of Sienna that is supposed to provide even an extra measure of stability.

Overall, Sienna just kept impressing me. It isn't much to look at, but it handles impeccably and rides nicely in normal conditions as well, and it has vast room inside for cargo and passengers, nearly endless interior configurability and some nice amenity innovations for the category.



The Toyota Sienna is sure-footed on icy, snowy roads.

At suggested retail prices ranging from \$23,000 to nearly \$37,000, the new Sienna is the minivan entry that Toyota really wanted to field several years ago, because the previous version of the vehicle was a tight squeeze inside among other things.

This isn't to say that Sienna is unsightly. Combine the design challenges that afflict every minivan on the road with Toyota's predilection for conservative styling in the first place, however, and you've got a pretty ordinary-looking vehicle. What's good is that Toyota stretched the wheelbase of the 2004 by more than five inches compared with the 2003 version, and the length by 6.5 inches overall, the new Sienna also is nearly four inches wider and about 200 pounds heavier. In the XLE Limited version that I drove, the 17-inch wheels are a nice touch.

Sienna is capably powered by a 230-horsepower, 3.3-liter V6 engine supported by a five-speed automatic transmission. Happily, I found the combination to be very Toyota-like, extremely adequate though appropriately not explosive and smooth in every situation. Mileage of 19 mpg in the city and 27 on the highway are acceptable for a modern minivan. Handling and other aspects of performance were exceptional as well for a minivan, including nice cornering. Toyota says that it improved the turn radius of Sienna by three feet in the new version, but it still

took a little too much space to pull a U-turn for my tastes.

Entrance and exit are facilitated by low thresholds and power everything side doors as well as the rear liftgate. Inside, things get even better. The cockpit is extremely roomy, a feeling that is enhanced by the huge windshield and the placement of the transmission control on the lower dash. The center console is removable, a la Chrysler's Town & Country. The leather upholstery and seats in the XLE Limited are supple and supportive. There are lots of cubbyholes, including an innovation that I - as a sipper-driver - especially appreciated: a spot to hold a soda can or other beverages low on the driver's door.

In the back, second and third row seats disappear into the floor, providing a huge cargo area. When passengers are involved, Sienna's various configurations deliver comfort to all. Rear amenities include a standard, 115-volt outlet so that kids can run video games or whatever while in the vehicle. Power side windows are a nifty feature and new to the category.

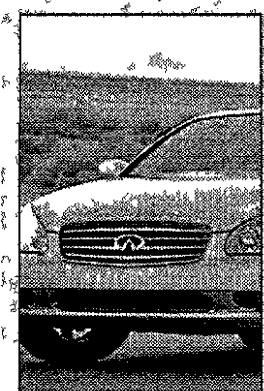
I know you can depend on Sienna on icy roads, so I'd be more than happy to have it in my garage year-round.

Write Dale at dalebuss@aol.com

CE08190663

CLASSIFIED INDEX

CLASSIFICATION	NUMBER
■ Employment	5000-5999
■ Announcements	6000-6900
■ Merchandise	7000-7540
■ Autos/RVs	8000-8780
■ Boats/Motors	8020
■ Motorcycles/Mini Bikes	8070
■ Trucks	8220



Call Toll Free

1-800-579-SELL (7355)

Fax Your Ad (734) 953-2232

Walk-In Office Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

After Hours Call (734) 951-9900

Deadlines: To place, cancel or correct ads.

Sunday
5:30 p.m. Friday
Sunday Real Estate
5:30 p.m. Thursday
Thursday
6 p.m. Tuesday
Thursday Real Estate Display
3 p.m. Monday

View the Observer & Eccentric Automotive Classifieds on the web!

www.observandeccentric.com

TAMAROFF

OPEN THIS SATURDAY 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

HONDA

<p>2004 ACCORD LX WAS \$20,590 NOW \$18,190 + Destination 36 mo. Lease \$231 mo + tax \$999 Due at Signing CM5634 PLW 069274</p>	<p>2004 CIVIC VP WAS \$14,900 NOW \$13,264 + Destination 36 mo. Lease \$136 mo + tax \$1499 Due at Signing ES1634W 009844</p>
--	---

TAMAROFF HONDA
28585 Telegraph Rd., Southfield
248-353-1300
Mon & Thurs 8:30 - 9:15 Tues Wed Fri 8:30 - 6:15
tamaroff.com

Plus tax, title, plate & destination. 36 mo. lease plus tax, title & plate. No security deposit. Must take delivery out of stock. Sale ends 2/28/04.

NISSAN

<p>2004 NISSAN ALTIMA 2.5S Automatic CD player power windows locks mirrors #116823 #17226Y BUY FOR \$15,900 39 MO. LEASE \$149</p>	<p>2004 NISSAN MAXIMA SL Leather Bose stereo memory seats skyview roof #867043 #882180 BUY FOR \$26,760 39 MO. LEASE \$298</p>
---	---

TAMAROFF NISSAN
28585 Telegraph Rd., Southfield
248-353-1300
Mon & Thurs 8:30 - 9:15 Tues, Wed Fri 8:30 - 6:15
tamaroff.com

Sale price plus tax, title, plate, rebates & de. At dealer's dealer. Lease prices are \$12,000/mo. only. Lease price plus tax \$12,995 due. Sale ends 2/28/04.

BUICK



<p>2004 RENDEVOUS CX ABS CD power windows Stock #559880 BUY FOR \$18,340* 24 MO. LEASE \$187</p>	<p>2004 RAINIER CXL Leather 17 alloys CD Stock #206481 BUY FOR \$26,408* 24 MO. LEASE \$148</p>
---	--

TAMAROFF BUICK
28585 Telegraph Rd., Southfield
248-353-1300
Mon & Thurs 8:30 - 9:15 Tues Wed Fri 8:30 - 6:15
tamaroff.com

*Plus tax, title, destination & plates. Includes Olds Loyalty, all rebates to dealer. GM's price tag. \$1995 due at signing plus tax. Title & plates 24 mo./72 hr. lease. Includes Olds Loyalty. A 1 rebates to dealer.

TAMAROFF DODGE



<p>2004 INTREPID SE V6 power windows power locks power seat AM/FM/CD tilt cruise aluminum wheels and more! Stk #D5981 WAS \$23,355 SALE \$12,988</p>	<p>2003 RAM 2500 PLOW TRUCK 5.7 V8 Hemi auto air pwr steering & brakes sliding rear window anti spin trailer tow Stk #745289 WAS \$33,470 SALE \$22,462</p>	<p>2003 SRT-4 WAS \$20,995 5 TO CHOOSE FROM SALE \$18,995</p>	<p>2003 CARAVAN SXT V6 pwr windows locks steering brakes AM/FM/cass Quad bucket seating tilt and keyless entry and more Stock #D5985 WAS \$14,995 SALE \$14,995</p>	<p>2003 GRAND CARAVAN SXT 3.8 liter V6 power windows power locks tilt wheel cruise control keyless entry quad leather seating roof rack rear cargo organizer center console aluminum wheels & much more Stk #506359 WAS \$33,840 SALE \$23,614</p>	<p>2003 RAM QUAD THUNDER ROAD 5.8 liter Hemi Sport Appearance 20 inch wheels leather ground effects Stk #382517 WAS \$37,825 SALE \$27,555</p>
--	---	---	---	--	--

TAMAROFF Dodge
28585 Telegraph Rd., Southfield • 248-353-1300
Mon & Thurs 8:30 - 9:15 Tues Wed Fri 8:30 - 6:15 • tamaroff.com

Plus a. title, plate & destination. All rebates to dealer. Must qualify for employment. Sale ends 2/28/04.

CE08190610

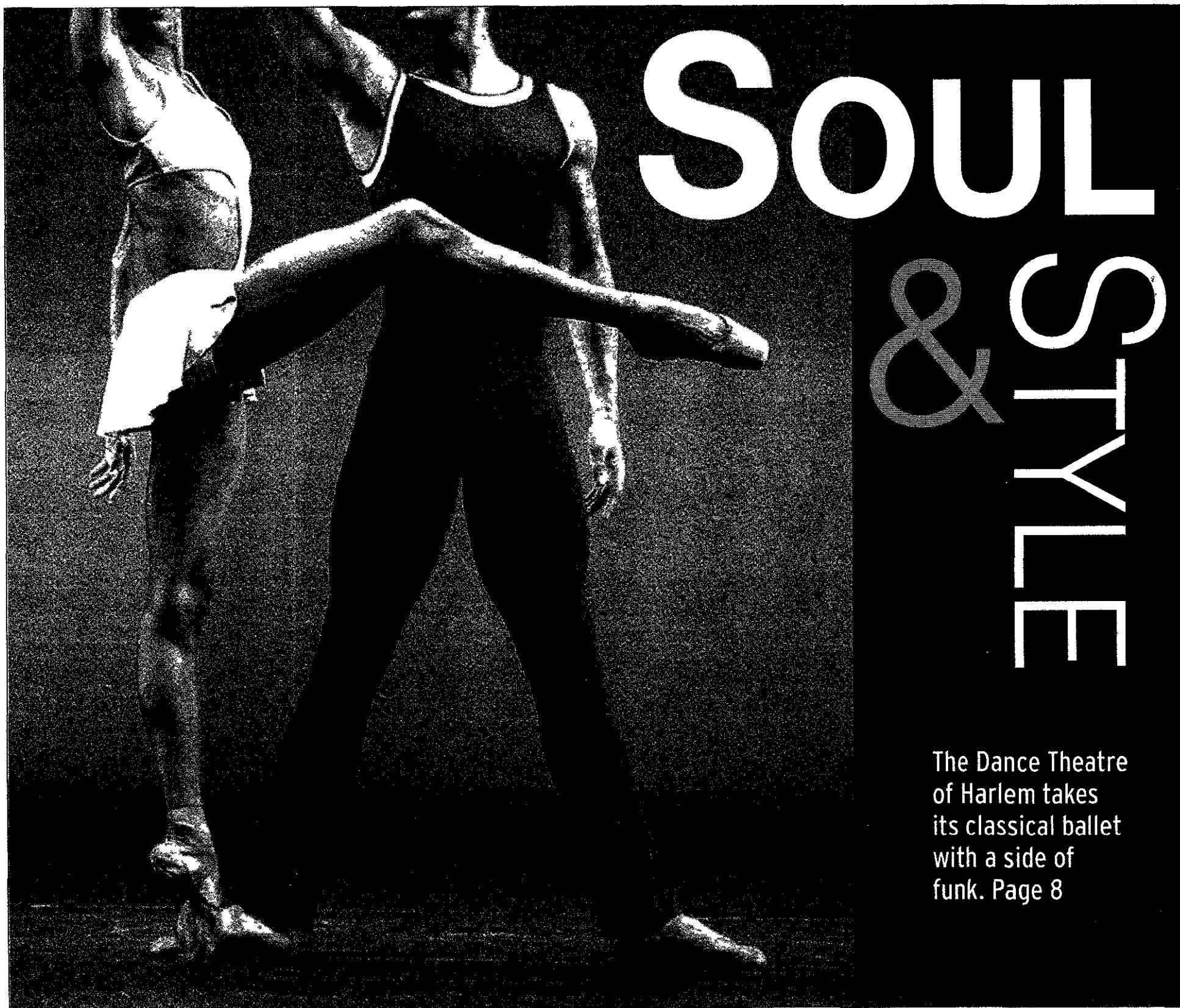
Filter

PURE ENTERTAINMENT!

HOT TICKET - Get an insider's look at the Motor City's plans for Super Bowl XL. **3**

SPLIT PERSONALITY - Eclectic Recipes reflects the diversity and flair of its owners. **10**

BEYOND BAD - Discover the tender story of a man, a dream, and an extra arm. **9**



SOUL & STYLE

The Dance Theatre of Harlem takes its classical ballet with a side of funk. Page 8

FILTER JUDGED ONE OF THE BEST ENTERTAINMENT SECTIONS IN THE COUNTRY BY SUBURBAN NEWSPAPERS OF AMERICA

Special event

Gala celebrates the arts

A strolling supper, wine tasting and silent auction are highlights of the second annual Walsh Gala - A Unique Evening for the Arts on Saturday, March 6, at the Novi campus.

Wine enthusiasts will enjoy wine tasting from local wine distributors. The wine tasting will be accompanied by a silent auction, strolling dinner catered by Unique Restaurants and decadent desserts to sweeten the palate.

Renowned master sommelier Madeline Triffon and sommelier Rick Rubel will be on hand at a VIP pre-event reception to discuss the aging process and taste rare vintages along with attendees.

Event co-chairs Dave and Kathy Petoskey and Herb Hoffman have helped arrange an evening that will allow guests to experience the works of locally celebrated artists, such as Monte Nagler, Doug Tocco, Pam Kessler, Betsy Travis, John Gluck

UNIQUE EVENING FOR THE ARTS

What: Second annual Walsh Gala

When: Saturday March 6 Pre event VIP reception 6 p.m. general reception strolling dinner at 7:30 p.m. dessert afterglow at 8:30 p.m.

Where: Walsh College Novi campus 41500 Gardenbrook Road Novi

Cost: VIP tickets \$150 per person \$75 general admission Walsh students \$35 dessert afterglow \$35 per person call (248) 823 1204 or visit www.walshcollege.edu

and Thomas St. Aubin

Nagler, a columnist for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, studied with Ansel Adams and is a noted author, lecturer and photography instructor. His works are represented by galleries across the country and found in many private collections including the Detroit Institute of Arts and The Brooklyn Museum.

Tocco, a multimedia artist, studied at The College for Creative Studies and is an art director for J

Walter Thompson, a Detroit-based advertising firm.

St. Aubin's sculpture has been displayed at the DIA, various galleries throughout southeast Michigan and the Michigan Design Center.

A graduate of Wayne State University, Kessler is an accomplished artist whose watercolors are represented in many corporate and private collections, including Dr. Shirley Sherwood's collection of contemporary botanical art.



Local artists Pam Kessler (from left), Betsy Travis, Thomas St. Aubin and Monte Nagler created some of the works to be displayed at the second annual Walsh Gala.

Travis is a studio artist who combines her experience and vision in fiber art with a 30-year collection of vintage fabrics, glass beads and embellishments to interpret Kessler's exotic botanical images.

Gluck began his journey with ceramics 40 years ago as a stu-

dent. Collections of his work are represented at the Smithsonian Institution, the DIA and Cranbrook Art Museum.

Event proceeds benefit the Novi Campus Scholarship, the Walsh College Alumni Association Scholarship and the Endowment for the Arts.

125th ums season 03/04

Shakespeare's *Othello* Guthrie Theater

Joe Dowling director

Thu 3/4 8 pm

Fri 3/5 8 pm

Sat 3/6 2 pm & 8 pm

Sun 3/7 2 pm

Power Center

Powers collide in Shakespeare's poetic tragedy, *Othello*, as Minnesota's Guthrie Theater returns to Ann Arbor for this riveting tale of passion, manipulation, jealousy, and betrayal.

National City

513 Energy Foundation

This presentation is part of Shakespeare in American Communities, a national theater company initiative sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and The Sallie Mae Foundation in cooperation with the Arts Midwest.

Med a Sponsor Michigan Radio and Michigan Television

The Herbert S. Amster Fund presents the 4th Annual Theatre Series

ums
MICHIGAN SOCIETY

outside the 734 area code call toll free 800 221 1229
Ticket Office Hours M-F 9 am-5 pm Sat 10 am-1 pm

Michigan State University

Merce Cunningham Dance Company

Fri 3/12 8 pm

Sat 3/13 8 pm [with the Kronos Quartet]

Power Center

PROGRAM (FRI 3/12)

Phantasies (1984)

Choreography by Cunningham/Music by

David Behrman/Costumes by Mark Lancaster

Nature Green (1966) Cunningham/John King/William Anasts

How to Pass Waterfall and Rain (1955)

Cunningham/John Cage/Robert Rauschenberg

PROGRAM (SAT 3/13)

Interludium with Kronos Quartet

Cunningham/Cage/Rauschenberg

BIPED (1999)

Cunningham/Gavin Bryars Paul Karsner and Shelly Eshkar

Sponsored by

CROWN FINANCIAL GROUP

Funded in part by the Wallace Foundation on Altira Group Inc and the

National Endowment for the Arts. Med a Sponsor's WDET 101.9 FM and Metro Times

Kronos Quartet: "Visual Music"

Sun 3/14 6 pm

Power Center

PROGRAM

Steve Reich

Pendulum Music (1968)

John Zorn

Latin Wine Falls (1988)

Scott Johnson

How It Happens (The Voice of F. Stone) (1991-93)

Mark Grey

Bertola II (2002)

Bernard Herrmann

The Day the Earth Stood Still (1950/2002)

Conlon Nanorarrow

Boogie Woogie #3A (1942)

Krzysztof Penderecki

Quartetto per archi (1960)

Terry Riley

One Earth, One People, One Love from Sun Rings (2002)

Mark Grey

Bertola II (2002)

Sigur Ros

Flugufrelsarinn (2000/2002)

Sponsored by

Elattirell

Med a Sponsor's WGET 91.3 FM WDET 101.9 FM and Metro Times

Index

- **BIG SCREEN** E4
Mooseport is the Howard Dean of Hollywood holding all the cards to succeed then stumbling
- **COVER STORY** E8
Dance Theatre of Harlem is classical ballet but with contemporary verve
- **BEYOND BAD** E9
The *Dark Backward* uses garbage as a motif but it's a movie too good to let slip away
- **TABLE HOPPING** E10
Tim Meeks favors southern and southwest cooking Trung Huynh favors Vietnamese Together they offer a Recipe for success at their restaurant in Troy
- **DRINKOLOGY** E12
Woodford Reserve is the official Bourbon of the Kentucky Derby
- **ONSTAGE** E15
Othello is Shakespearean tragedy minus the kings and queens
- **GET OUT!** E16
Check out our entertainment calendar to make plans to Get Out! and do something fun
- **STAR STRUCK** E18
Find out what's in the stars for you this week Read your horoscope
- **FAMILY FUN** E19
Disney On Ice's *Monsters Inc.* walks a fine line between humor and fright with many different sized feet

Filter

PURE ENTERTAINMENT!

Observer & Eccentric

NEWSPAPERS

- | | |
|--|---|
| Keely Kaleski
Editor | Megan Pennefather
Designer |
| Nicole Stafford
Staff Writer | Dan Dean
Design Editor |
| Lana Mini
Staff Writer | Susan Rosiek
Executive Editor |
| Stephanie Tardy
Staff Writer | Peter Neill
General Manager |

Cover design by Randall Masters

For editorial information please call (248) 901-2587
For advertising information please call (734) 953-2533



A HomeTown Community Newspaper

Hot Ticket

Are you ready for some football?

Have a behind-the-scenes huddle with Super Bowl XL

Want a piece of Super Bowl XL action?

Ford Field's first Super Bowl isn't until 2006 but planning is well under way. And, the Detroit Historical Museum has a mouthwatering proposition for local football fans: an insider's look at the planning process.

The program, 11 a.m. Saturday at the museum, features a talk by Michael Janssen, senior vice president of operations for the Super Bowl XL Host Committee.

Basically I'm going to talk about a little bit of everything, the process, when and how Detroit was awarded the Super Bowl, what it means for the community, said Janssen, who grew up in Frankenmuth and recently relocated to the area from New Orleans to help plan the 2006 event.

Following Janssen's talk, attendees receive a narrated tour of the Detroit Historical Museum's current sports exhibit, *Guts, Games & Glory: Detroit's Sporting Legacy*. Then attendees head to Ford Field for a behind-the-scenes tour of the facility including a visit to the players' locker rooms.

Part of the philosophy is to kind of go to places that you might not necessarily be able to go yourself to create special or behind-the-scenes experi-

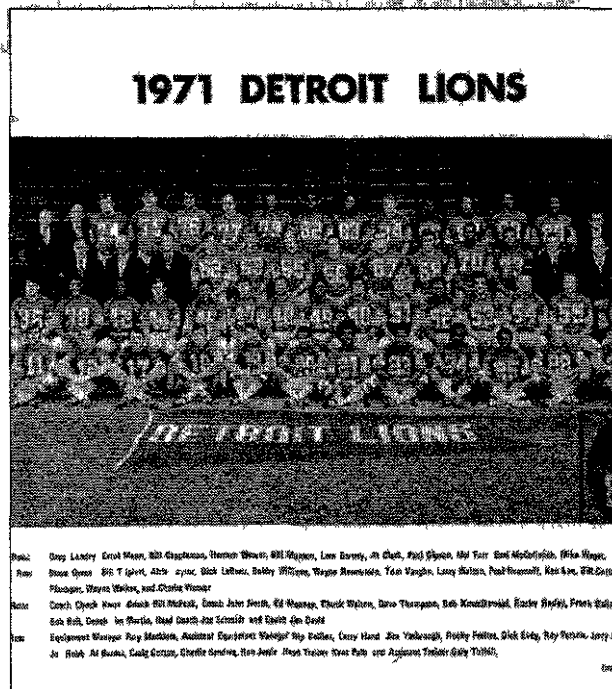


PHOTO COURTESY OF DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The Detroit Historical Museum's behind-the-scenes of Super Bowl XL event includes a tour of *Guts, Games & Glory: Detroit's Sporting Legacy*. Among the exhibit's artifacts is a 1971 Detroit Lions photo.

ences, said Bob Sadler, the museum's director of marketing. "We have done a tour of Ford Field before, but not with the extra bonus of the Super Bowl aspect added in."

The program is expected to last two to three hours.

Participants provide their own transportation from the museum to Ford Field.

Janssen also plans to talk about volunteer opportunities and how

the Super Bowl promotes positive community interaction.

"The Super Bowl is going to foster and force the local community to communicate."

Everybody's gotta be on the same page, he said.

There are a couple of things that I think will be lasting legacies. But that effort is going to be a big plus and hopefully that same kind of teamwork will spill over into other areas."

MOTOWN'S SUPER BOWL

What: A behind-the-scenes look at Super Bowl XL slated for 2006 in Detroit.

When: 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28

Where: Begins at Detroit Historical Museum, 5401 Woodward Ave., Detroit, with trip to Ford Field for facility tour.

Tickets: \$20, reservations required. Call (313) 833-1405 or visit www.detroithistorical.org

Big screen

'Mooseport' loses its comedy campaign

BY DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

Welcome to Mooseport is the Howard Dean of Hollywood, holding all the cards to succeed, then stumbling and tumbling when show time arrives

It sounds like a splendid comedy ticket Gene Hackman as an enormously popular president who leaves office, retires to his summer home in a sleepy Maine town and blunders into a mayoral race against a local plumber (Ray Romano)

And Hackman and Romano are backed by an excellent supporting cast that includes Marcia Gay Harden, Rip Torn, Maura Tierney and Christine Baranski

Director Donald Petrie (*Miss Congeniality*, *How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days*) has a track record in populist comedy, while there's a reasonable expectation of wit and depth in the screenplay by Tom Schulman, an Academy Award winner for *Dead Poets Society*

Yet *Welcome to Mooseport*, like Dean's campaign, withers and dies Petrie's pacing is sluggish and Schulman's script is awkwardly constructed and just plain

not funny

Hackman plays President Monroe "Eagle" Cole, a two-term who leaves the White House with a whopping 85 percent approval rating

Newly split from his gold-digging wife (Christine Baranski), who has taken his prime residence in the divorce, Monroe relocates to his vacation home in Mooseport, where he plans to write his memoirs and sift through the lucrative book, speaking and corporate board offers coming his way

Accompanying him are his faithful executive secretary Grace (Harden), his nervous publicity man Bullard (Fred Savage) and a band of Secret Service guards so loyal they hide in the woods on the golf course to toss balls back onto the fairway when their boss inevitably slices into the trees

"Lucky bounce, sir" is the mantra.

Into Monroe's life comes hardware store owner Handy Harrison (Romano), the lovable local lunkhead hired to fix the ex-president's toilets

Handy's a sweetheart of a man whose chief failing is he cannot commit to long-time girlfriend Sally (Tierney), a veterinarian



Former President Monroe 'Eagle Cole' Gene Hackman (left) and hardware store owner 'Handy' Harrison (Ray Romano) find themselves in a wild race for mayor in a small Maine town in 'Mooseport'

an tired of waiting for him to pop the question

The movie clunkily orchestrates scenarios that turn Monroe and Handy into fierce rivals Monroe inexplicably agreeing to city elders' request that he run for mayor, Handy filing for the mayor's race (also inexplicably), Handy's determination to stay in the campaign so he doesn't look like a quitter after Monroe asks Sally on a date

The action devolves into cheap politics as Monroe brings in his hotshot campaign manager (Torn) to dig up dirt on Handy and try to control the David-and-Goliath media circus

The hijinks should be hilarious, considering Hackman and Romano's comic sensibilities The gags and jokes fall flat, though,

and *Welcome to Mooseport* lumbers along at far too leisurely a pace (a golf match between the two candidates drags on to interminable lengths with barely a laugh)

Like candidates who keep mouthing winner's talk even as they plummet in the polls, the actors do their best with the weak material Their energy and enthusiasm make you want to like *Welcome to Mooseport*

Ultimately, the movie is a cinematic campaign that deserves a low turnout from box-office voters

Welcome to Mooseport a 20th Century Fox release is rated PG 13 for some brief sexual comments and nudity Running time 111 minutes Two stars out of four

Predict who will win an Oscar

BY KEELY KALESKI
STAFF WRITER

What movie is going to win the Oscar for best picture? Will it be *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*?

How about best actor? Will it be Johnny Depp, Ben Kingsley, Jude Law, Bill Murray or Sean Penn?

The *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, *Filter* and Emagine Theatre in Novi are co-sponsoring an Oscar Contest that lets you be the judge

Pretend you're a member of the Academy and cast your vote for Best Picture Best Actress Best Actor Best Supporting Actress Best Supporting Actor and Best Original Song You can

townlife.com, or fill out the Oscar Contest Ballot in this week's *Filter* and mail or fax it to the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* Entries must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27

Then tune in the Academy Awards on ABC, 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 29, to see how many of your predictions were right If your predictions were right, you'll be entered into a drawing to win an annual pass to Emagine Theatre in Novi Ten runners-up will receive a pair of tickets to Emagine Theater

Winners will be notified by phone and listed in the Thursday March 4, edition of *Filter*

To see the complete list of nominees and learn more about Oscar Night visit

LINDSAY LOHAN

WALT DISNEY PICTURES PRESENTS

CONFESSIONS of a TEENAGE DRAMAQUEEN

teenagedramaqueen.com ©DISNEY ENTERPRISES INC

PG PARENTAL GUIDANCE SUGGESTED
SOME MATERIAL MAY NOT BE SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN
FOR MORE THEMATIC ELEMENTS AND BY LANGUAGE

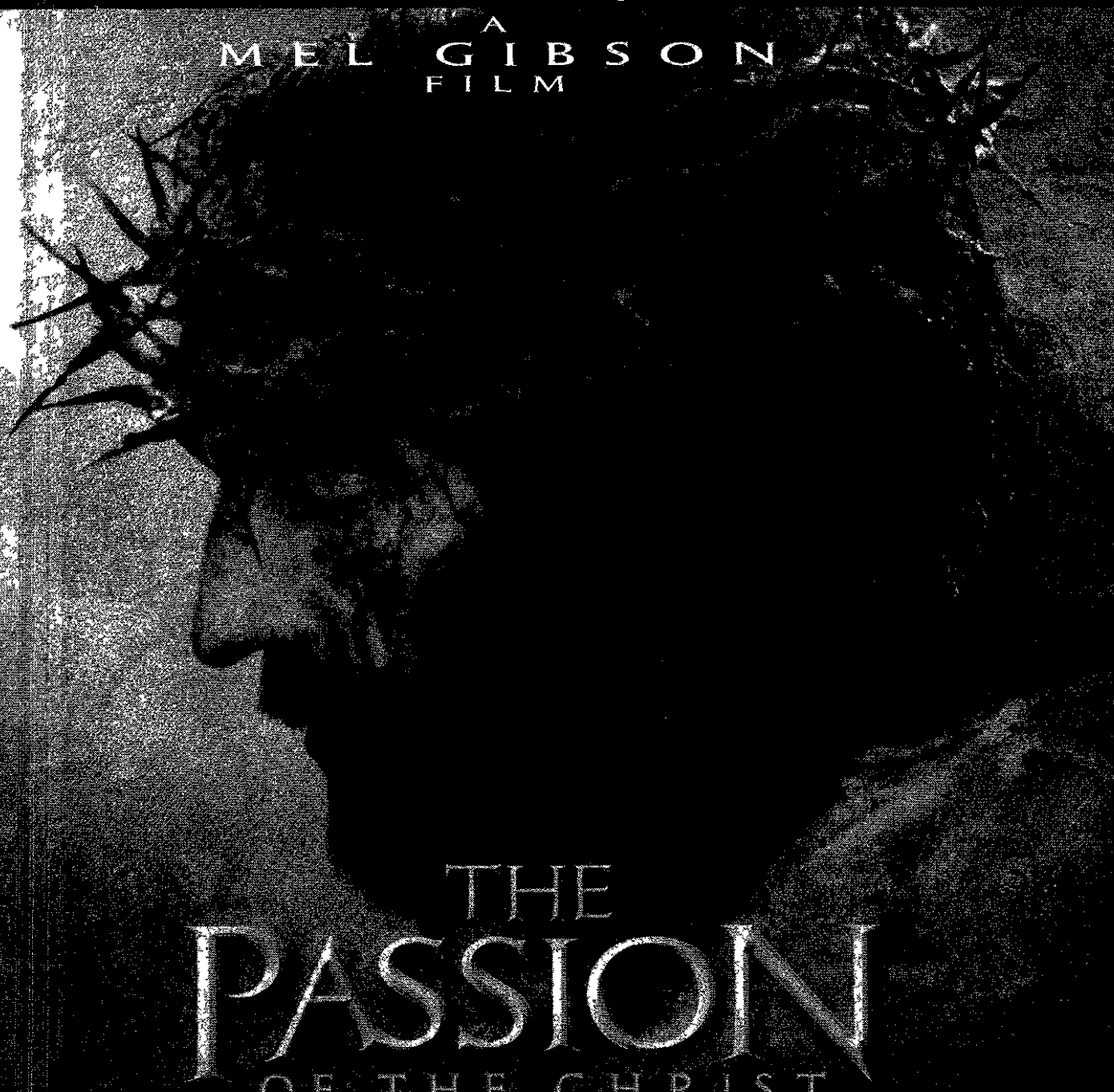
AFC at LIVONIA MALL CANTON 6 SHOWCASE STERLING HEIGHTS STAR FAIRLANE STAR ROCHESTER HILLS LP WIN PALAD UM 12	AMC FORUM 30 MJR SOUTHGATE 20 SEE IT NOW! STAR GRATIOT AT 15 MI STAR SOUTHFIELD	AMC LAUREL PARK NOVI TOWN CENTER SEE IT NOW! STAR GREAT LAKES CROSSING STAR TAYLOR	AMC LIVONIA 20 PHOENIX WEST RIVER SHOWCASE WESTLAND STAR JOHN R AT 14 MILE JA COMMERC STADIUM 14
--	--	---	---

NO SEB RDS 2 NT CO PONS ACCEPTED GR SHO E

**"TWO THUMBS WAY UP!
A GREAT EPIC FILM!"**

-Ebert & Roeper

A
MEL GIBSON
FILM



THE
PASSION
OF THE CHRIST

JIM CAVIEZEL

ICON PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH NEWMARKET FILMS AN ICON PRODUCTION A MEL GIBSON FILM JIM CAVIEZEL "THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST"
 MONICA BELLUCCI MAIA MORGENSTERN SERGIO RUBINI CASTOR BY SHAILA RUBIN MUSIC BY JOHN DEBNEY COSTUME DESIGNER MAURIZIO MILLENOTTI HAIR JOHN WRIGHT, A.C.E. PRODUCTION DESIGNER FRANCESCO FRIGERI
 DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY CALEB DESCHANEL, A.S.C. EXECUTIVE PRODUCER ENZO SISTI PRODUCED BY MEL GIBSON BRUCE DAVEY STEPHEN McEVEETY SCREENPLAY BY BENEDICT FITZGERALD AND MEL GIBSON DIRECTED BY MEL GIBSON

R RESTRICTED
 UNDER 17 REQUIRES ACCOMPANYING
 PARENT OR ADULT GUARDIAN
 For Sequences of Graphic Violence

Read the book by
 TYNDALE PUBLISHING
 Soundtrack available on
 SONY MUSIC / INTEGRITY

DOLBY
 DIGITAL

NEWMARKET FILMS

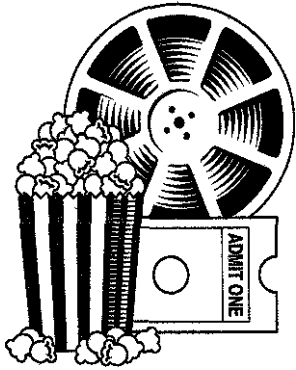


www.thepassionofthechrist.com

THE PASSION Soundtrack CD, keepsake
 of the movie, available in stores February 24th

NOW SHOWING AT THESE THEATRES

NOW SHOWING AT THESE THEATRES			AMC FORUM 30
AMC LAUREL PARK	AMC LIVONIA 20	BEACON EAST	BIRMINGHAM PALLADIUM
CANTON 6	EMAGINE NOVI	MJR SOUTHGATE 20	PHOENIX AT BEL AIR CTR.
PHOENIX WEST RIVER	SHOWCASE DEARBORN	SHOWCASE STERLING HTS.	SHOWCASE WESTLAND
STAR FAIRLANE 21	STAR GRATIOT	STAR GREAT LAKES	STAR JOHN R
STAR ROCHESTER	STAR SOUTHFIELD	STAR TAYLOR	UA COMMERCE STADIUM



THE
Observer & Eccentric
NEWSPAPERS
Theatre Guide

Where available by deadline, features and times are listed.
Call your local theatre for showings for this week. Check listings below for phone numbers and websites.

National Amusements
Showcase Cinemas
Showcase Dearborn 1 8
Michigan & Telegraph
313 561 3449
Bargain Matinees Daily All Shows until 6 pm
*Late Shows Fri Sat

Showcase Westland 1 8
6800 Wayne Rd
One blk S of Warren Rd
734-729 1060
Bargain Matinees Daily
All Shows Until 6 pm • Late Shows Fri Sat

Star Theatres
The World's Best Theatres
Bargain Matinees Daily \$5.75 All Shows
Starting before 6:00 pm • Now accepting Visa & MasterCard
NO CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 6 WILL BE ALLOWED IN PG 13 & R RATED FILMS AFTER 6 PM • YOU MUST BE AT LEAST 17 YEARS OF AGE WITH PROPER IDENTIFICATION TO PURCHASE A TICKET FOR A RATED R FILM • ONLY ONE TICKET PER INDIVIDUAL WILL BE GIVEN • NP DENOTES NO VIP TICKETS

Star Great Lakes Crossing
Great Lakes Shopping Center
248 454 0366

Star John-R at 14 Mile
32289 John R Road
248 585 2070
On line at www.fandango.com

Star Rochester Hills
200 Barclay Circle
248 853 2260
STUDENT DISCOUNT NOW AVAILABLE WITH VALID SCHOOL ID

Star Southfield
12 Mile between Telegraph & Northwestern off I 696
248 353 STAR
FOR SHOWTIMES AND TO PURCHASE TICKETS BY PHONE CALL 248-372-2222
www.STAR.SOUTHFIELD.com
NP FEATURES SORRY NO VIP DISCOUNT TICKETS ACCEPTED SUNDAY TUESDAY

Saturday Night is Family Night at Star Southfield! Star Theatres is committed to providing the best environment for family entertainment and to encourage families to get out to a movie. STAR SOUTHFIELD will provide a FREE SMALL POP and POPCORN to all kids 16 and under if accompanied by a parent to all shows after 8:30 pm. During our Family Saturdays, no minors 16 Years and under will be permitted entry unless with a parent after 8:30 pm so grab Mom and Dad and HEAD FOR THE MOVIES! PLEASE ONLY ONE TICKET PER INDIVIDUAL FOR RATED R FILMS

United Artists Commerce-14
3330 Springvale Drive
Adjacent to Home Depot
North of the intersection of 14 Mile & Haggerty
248 960 5801
Bargain Matinees Daily for all Shows
Starting before 6 pm
Same Day Advance Tickets Available
WWW.UAT

Birmingham 8
Uptown Birmingham 8
211 S Woodward
Downtown Birmingham
248 644-FILM
www.uptownbirmingham8.com
MATINEE MOVIES \$6.00
Classic Film Series Every Wednesday

Birmingham Palladium 12
Uptown Palladium 12
250 North Old Woodward Ave
Downtown Birmingham
248-644 FILM
www.uptownpalladium12.com
Featuring 12 stadium seating and toning with state-of-the-art wall to wall curved screens. Do by Design surround sound, two giant concession stands, valet parking, Little Caesar's Pizzeria, Ray's Ice Cream and the all new Premier Entertainment Auditorium
MATINEE MOVIES \$6.00
CHECK OUT OUR MIDNIGHT MOVIES!

MJR Theatres
MJR Brighton Towne Square-Cinema 16
8200 Murphy Drive
Brighton Towne Square
behind Home Depot
CALL (810) 77 FILMS #548
Student Price \$5.75 with ID • 16 Screen State of the Art Cinema • All Stadium Seating • All Big Screens • All Digital Sound

(NP) THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST [R]
1 00 2 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 7 00 8 00 9 50
(NP) TWISTED [R]
1 20 (4 15 @ \$5.00) 7 10 9 40
(NP) DIRTY DANCING, HAVANA NIGHTS [PG13]
12 20 2 45 (5 10 @ \$5.00) 7 30 9 55
(NP) BROKEN LIZARD'S CLUB DREAD [R]
1 30 (4 40 @ \$5.00) 7 30 9 55
(NP) WELCOME TO MOOSEPORT [PG13]
1 00 (4 10 @ \$5.00) 7 10 9 45**
no 7 10 on 2/28
(NP) EUROTRIP [R]
1 15 (4 45 @ \$5.00) 7 30 9 45
(NP) CONFESSIONS OF A TEENAGE DRAMA QUEEN [PG]
12 15 2 30 (4 50 @ \$5.00) 7 20 9 30
(NP) AGAINST THE ROPES [PG13]
1 10 (4 30 @ \$5.00) 7 15 9 55
50 FIRST DATES [PG13]
12 10 2 40 (5 15 @ \$5.00) 6 45 7 45 9 20 10 00
MIRACLE [PG]
12 30 2 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 6 50 8 00 9 50
CATCH THAT KID [PG] 12 00 2 15 (4 30 @ \$5.00)
ALONG CAME POLLY [PG13]
1 15 (4 20 @ \$5.00) 6 45
LORD OF THE RINGS RETURN OF THE KING [PG13]
12 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 8 00
SOMETHING'S GOTTA GIVE [PG13] 9 15
COLD MOUNTAIN [R] 1 00 7 00
MYSTIC RIVER [R] (4 00 @ \$5.00) 10 00
SNEAK PREVIEW
SATURDAY GIRL NEXT DOOR [R] 7 00

MJR Waterford
Cinema 16
7501 Highland Rd
S E corner M 59 & Williams Lake Rd
24 hour Movie Line
248 666 7900
CALL 77 FILMS #551
Free Refill on Popcorn and Pop
Visa & Mastercard Accepted

(NP) THE PASSION OF THE CHRIST [R]
1 00 2 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 7 00 8 00 9 50
(NP) TWISTED [R]
20 (4 15 @ \$5.00) 7 09 40
(NP) DIRTY DANCING HAVANA NIGHTS [PG13]

12 20 2 45 (5 10 @ \$5.00) 7 30 9 55
(NP) BROKEN LIZARD'S CLUB DREAD [R]
1 30 (4 40 @ \$5.00) 7 30 9 55
(NP) WELCOME TO MOOSEPORT [PG13]
1 00 (4 10 @ \$5.00) 7 10 9 45**
no 7 10 on 2/28
(NP) EUROTRIP [R]
1 15 (4 45 @ \$5.00) 7 30 9 45
(NP) CONFESSIONS OF A TEENAGE DRAMA QUEEN [PG]
12 15 2 30 (4 50 @ \$5.00) 7 20 9 30
(NP) AGAINST THE ROPES [PG13]
1 10 (4 30 @ \$5.00) 7 15 9 55
50 FIRST DATES [PG13]
12 10 2 40 (5 15 @ \$5.00) 6 45 7 45 9 20 10 00
MIRACLE [PG]
12 30 2 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 6 50 8 00 9 50
BARBERSHOP 2-BACK IN BUSINESS [PG13]
9 30
CATCH THAT KID [PG] 12 00 2 15 (4 30 @ \$5.00)
THE BUTTERFLY EFFECT [R] 1 10 (4.30 @ \$5.00)
7 00
LORD OF THE RINGS RETURN OF THE KING [PG13]
12 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 8 00
MYSTIC RIVER [R] 1 00 (4 00 @ \$5.00) 7 00 10 00
SNEAK PREVIEW
SATURDAY GIRL NEXT DOOR [R] 7 00

Main Art Theatre III
118 Main at 11 Mile
Royal Oak
248 542 0180
call 77 FILMS ext 542
(DISCOUNTED SHOWS!!!)
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT BOX OFFICE
OR PHONE 248 542 0180
VISA AND MASTERCARD ACCEPTED

Maple Art Theatre III
4135 W Maple West of Telegraph
Bloomfield Hills
248 542 0180
(DISCOUNTED SHOWS !!)
SUNDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

Oxford 7 Cinemas, L.L.C.
Downtown Oxford
Lapeer Rd (M 24)
(248) 628 7101
Fax (248) 628-130

State Wayne Theatre
35310 Michigan Ave Wayne
734 326-4600
THURSDAY ALL SEATS \$9.95
CLOSED MONDAY THRU WEDNESDAY
CALL THEATRE FOR SHOWTIMES

PAYCHECK [PG13]
BAD SANTA [R]
PETER PAN [PG]
LOVE DON'T COST A THING [PG13]
HAUNTED MANSION [PG]
GOTHIKA [R]
ELF [PG]
CAT IN THE HAT [PG]

Michigan Theater
603 E Liberty Ann Arbor
(734) 668-TIME
\$8.00 Adult \$6.25 Students, Seniors and children under 12, \$5.50 Michigan Theater Members

Ford Wyoming Drive-In
Dearborn
(313) 846 6910
2 GREAT MOVIES for the PRICE OF 1
OPEN 6 30 PM CHILDREN FREE
FREE IN CAR ELECTRIC HEATER

BARBERSHOP 2 BACK IN BUSINESS [PG13]
MY BABY'S DADDY [PG13]
TWISTED [R]
AGAINST THE ROPES [PG13]
DIRTY DANCING, HAVANA NIGHTS [PG13]
TORQUE [PG13]
EURO TRIP [R]
THE BUTTERFLY EFFECT [R]
50 FIRST DATES [PG13]
YOU GOT SERVED [PG13]

[6-9]
CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

Madstone-Ann Arbor
462 Briarwood Circle
734 984-1000

The Passion of the Christ [R]
2 00 5 00 8 00
50 First Dates [PG 13]
1 15 3 15 5 15 7 15 9 15
In America [PG 13]
1 00 3 10 5 20 7 30 9 45
The Passion of the Christ [R]
1 00 4 00 9 45
Mystic River [R]
Wed Thurs 1 30 7 05
Fr Thurs 1 05
My Architect [NR]
1 10 3 45 7 10 9 30
Welcome to Mooseport [PG-13]
1 00 4 00 7 00 9 20
Girl with a Pearl Earring [PG13]
3 45 5 45 7 45
Big Fish [pg13]
9 45

Farmington Civic Theatre
33332 Grand River Farmington
248-474 1951
BARGAIN PRICES DAILY
CALL THEATRE FOR SHOWTIMES

CAT IN THE HAT [PG]
HAUNTED MANSION [PG]
MONA LISA SMILE [PG13]

Cinemark Movie 16
The Best Seat in Town
28600 Dequindre Rd Warren MI
810 558 8207
MONDAY THRU FRIDAY • FIRST SHOW OF THE DAY \$0.60
ALL SHOWS \$1.50 EXCEPT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AFTER 6 00 PM ALL SEATS \$2.00
BARGAIN TUESDAY
ALL SHOWS AFTER THE FIRST SHOW \$1.00

BAD SANTA [R]
1145 225 515 755 1020
CAT IN THE HAT [PG]
1120 25 450 705
CHASING LIBERTY [PG13]
955
ELF [PG]
1100 130 415
GOTHIKA [R]
110 150 135 235 425 520 715 800 945 1030
HAUNTED MANSION [PG]
1100 140 125 230 420 505 700 740 925 1005
HONEY [PG13]
1200 215 510 75 1010
LOVE DON'T COST A THING [PG13]
1135 220 455 730 1000
MATRIX REVOLUTIONS #1 [R]
1120 200 500 750 1030
MONA LISA SMILE [PG13]
915
PAYCHECK [PG13]
1 10 150 435 725 1015
PETER PAN [PG]
1100 145 440 715
SCARY MOVIE [PG13]
155 210 440 710 930
SPYKIDS 3D GAME OVER [PG]
12 40 430 645 900

STUCK ON YOU [PG13]
655 935
TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE [R]
1130 220 445 720 950
VERONICA GUERIN [R]
1115 155 430 700 940

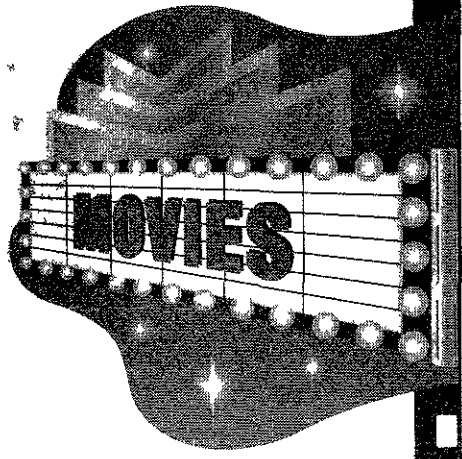
State
233 State St at Liberty Ann Arbor
734 761 8667
\$8.00 Regular Adult \$6.25 Students, Seniors and children under 12, \$5.00 all shows beginning before 6 pm \$5.50 Michigan Theater Member

Imagine
Located in Fountain Walk on the south side of 12 Mile Road 1/4 Mile west of Novi Road
248 319 3456
Discover the Magic of Movies and More at Imagine
Box Office opens at 11 45
GIFT CERTIFICATES ON SALE NOW!
*DENOTES LUXURY SEATING AVAILABLE
STUDENT DISCOUNT NOW AVAILABLE
www.imagineentertainment.com
18 ALL STADIUM AUDITORIUMS • DIGITAL SOUND
BEER, WINE & COCKTAILS
Box Office Opens at 11 30 am
Log onto website at www.strangeheart.com for more information

EMAGINE THAT!
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2004
THE ACADEMY AWARDS® @ 8 PM
The ultimate award show for the film lover!
Come and watch the OSCARS® on the big screen and enjoy the activities
TICKETS ON SALE NOW BY CALLING
(248)547-0847

All proceeds to benefit DAFT
Miracle
Cheaper by Dozen / You got Served (eves)
50 First Dates
Welcome to Mooseport
Big Fish
Monster
Somethings Got to Give
Barbershop
CATCH THAT KID
Cold Mountain [PARA] MASTER AND COMMANDER
Lord of the Rings RETURN OF THE KING
Against The Ropes
ALONG CAME POLLY
BUTTERFLY EFFECT
MYSTIC RIVER
Miracle (Open Caption)

Mystic River (Sneak preview Starbuck's & Hutch 2/21 (Saturday) 7:30 [PARA] GIRL
NEXT DOOR FRIDAY 2/20 @ 7:30 PM



More movies



ZDENEK VAVRA

Scotty (Scott Mechlowicz, center right) gets some help from his friends (from left) Jamie (Travis Wester), Jenny (Michelle Trachtenberg) and Cooper (Jacob Pitts) when they travel to Europe to track down Scotty's German pen pal who he thinks may be the love of his life, in DreamWorks Pictures' comedy 'Eurotrip'

'Eurotrip' has a few laughs along way

BY DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

Eurotrip has no right to be anything but Eurotrash. How surprising, then, that this formless, shapeless bit of drivel actually manages a few fresh laughs.

For the late teen, early-twentysomething gross-out crowd, *Eurotrip* is the pick of the year so far, piling on unsightly gags about such things as S&M sexual aids or nude beaches overrun by homely men, captured in all their full frontal lack of glory.

While the movie merits its hard R rating for nudity, sex and out-of-control partying, the young, largely unknown cast is so doperly unassuming that no one grates the way, say, Seann William Scott does in the *American Pie* movies.

And the sight gags, though coarse, are a cut above the body-fluid jokes that litter most teen flicks.

The result is one of the more inoffensive offerings in the offensive teen subgenre.

The thin story line centers on Scotty (Scott Mechlowicz) who hurtfully rebuffs a cyber pass from his German e-mail pen pal, Mieke, thinking it's a homosexual advance.

Too late, Scotty learns that Mieke is a girl's name, and that this particular Mieke (German pop singer Jessica Boehrs) is the babe of his dreams.

When Scotty tries to contact her, he finds Mieke has angrily blocked his incoming e-mails. With no way to contact her, Scotty sets out on a shoestring budgeted mission to Berlin to find her, his goofily underachieving buddy Cooper (Jacob Pitts) tagging along.

They also enlist brother-sister twins Jenny (Michelle Trachtenberg of *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*) and Jamie (Travis Webster), who interrupt their carefully boringly plotted trip to Europe to join Scotty's quest.

Madcap mayhem erupts at every turn, most of it as creative as a paint-by-numbers *Mona Lisa* replica. But Jeff Schaffer, Alec Berg and David Mandel (the writing trio behind the dreadful *Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat*) muster a handful of crassly clever moments.

(Schaffer makes his directing debut with *Eurotrip*, while Berg and Mandel have producing credits.)

The highlights include Scotty and Cooper's run-in with a gang of British soccer hooligans led by Vinnie Jones in an amusingly anarchic performance, Cooper's misfortunes in an Amsterdam brothel where Lucy Lawless of *Xena: Warrior Princess* puts in a cameo as Madame Vandersexxx, who maniacally inflicts masochistic sexual gratification, and an energetic bit by Matt Damon as a head-banging rock n' roller.

And it's hard not to laugh at the image of dozens of flabby naked men idly milling around a nude beach, wondering where the girls are.

Stuck around through the closing credits, which offer some of the movie's funniest moments with a series of outtakes, including a few snippets of drollery by Joanna Lumley as a hostel clerk.

Eurotrip, a DreamWorks release, is rated R for sexuality, nudity, language and drug/alcohol content. Running time: 91 minutes. Two stars out of four.

EVERY MURDER HAS A MARK.

ASHLEY JUDD SAMUEL L. JACKSON ANDY GARCIA

TWISTED

PARADIMOUNT PICTURES PRESENTS IN ASSOCIATION WITH ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY KOPPELSON ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION A PHILIP KAUFMAN FILM ASHLEY JUDD SAMUEL L. JACKSON ANDY GARCIA "TWISTED" DAVID STRATHAIRN RUSSELL WONG MARK PELLEGRINO "THE MARK ISHARA" DIRECTED BY PETER KAUFMAN SHERYL C. ARK EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS STEPHEN BROWN ROBIN MUISWIGER MICHAEL FEINWISER PRODUCED BY SARAH THORP WRITTEN BY ARNOLD KOPPELSON AND ARINE KOPPELSON BARRY BAERES LINNE RADWIN DIRECTED BY PHILIP KAUFMAN

RESTRICTED R UNDER 17 REQUIRES ACCOMPANYING PARENT OR ADULT GUARDIAN VIOLENCE, LANGUAGE & SEXUALITY

READ THE NOVEL FROM OLYX BOOKS SOUNDTRACK AVAILABLE ON VARESE SARABANDE CDs

TwistedMovie.com

STARTS TOMORROW	AMC FORUM 30	AMC LAUREL PARK	AMC LIVONIA 20
BIRMINGHAM 8	CANTON 6	MJR SOUTHGATE 20	PHOENIX AT BEL AIR CTR.
PHOENIX WEST RIVER	SHOWCASE DEARBORN	SHOWCASE STERLING HTS	SHOWCASE WESTLAND
STAR FAIRLANE 21	STAR GRATIOT	STAR GREAT LAKES	STAR JOHN R
STAR ROCHESTER	STAR SOUTHFIELD	STAR TAYLOR	UA COMMERCE STADIUM

Make it

Dance Theatre of Harlem moves to James Brown, Aretha Franklin

Funky

Got to get down? That's never a question with Dance Theatre of Harlem, scheduled to perform March 4-7 at the Detroit Opera House

The company, founded by Arthur Mitchell in 1969, is classical ballet but with contemporary verve "It's something of now, Mitchell said, describing the company's style and repertoire "It's a taste of everything that makes America what it is today"

With such a novel approach to classical ballet, it's no wonder Mitchell has his dancers performing to songs by James Brown and the Queen of Soul, Detroit native Aretha Franklin

The piece, titled *Return*, was choreographed by Robert Garland in 1999. It fuses an urban street sensibility with the dance company's neo-classical ballet style

"It's the kids doing what they do socially, what they do on the street, what they do today," Mitchell said of *Return*. "But it's still done en pointe. It's still classical ballet"

Sounds like a perfect place for members of the company to project what Mitchell demands from all his dancers - a little something called "Harlem attitude"

Far from the stuffy regal kings and queens that populate European classical ballets, Dance Theatre of Harlem members portray present-time personalities who to strut their stuff to today's American beat. Here's how Mitchell described it: "When you see Naomi Campbell hit the runway

No doubt *Return*, which features 12 dancers, will deliver

Other pieces from Dance Theatre of Harlem's repertoire scheduled for performance in Detroit include George Balanchine's *Serenade*, which was set to

SOUL AND STYLE

What: Dance Theatre of Harlem performs two programs, one featuring *Return*, a piece set to music by James Brown and Aretha Franklin

When: 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 4; 8 p.m. Friday, March 5; 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. Saturday, March 6; 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. Sunday, March 7

Where: Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit

Tickets: \$22-\$70, call (313) 237-SING or TicketMaster at (248) 645-6666. For more information, visit www.MichiganOpera.org

Tchaikovsky's *Serenade for Strings in C, Op. 48* in 1935, and *A Song for Dead Warriors*, the story of an American Indian man that takes place on a reservation

"It's really a phenomenal theatrical piece," Mitchell said of *A Song for Dead Warriors*

The choreography incorporates American Indian dance moves, a pow-wow ceremony and authentic headdress feathers

At the root of the piece is an exploration of cultural identity, said Mitchell

"It's interesting that we're depicting an American Indian story. But in the final analysis, you realize that we are all the same"



Small screen

Look 'Backward' for a real viewing treat

Imagine that I've been searching around for a copy of the modern classic, *The Dark Backward*, to no avail. It seems to have disappeared from the video store shelves. But there it was, on a Saturday morning on the Sci-Fi channel.

Bless them

This is a movie too good to let slip away. *The Dark Backward* is one of what I call the garbage films - literally. Like the equally memorable *Street Trash*, *The Dark Backward* uses garbage as a motif.



Beyond Bad

Boy, does it ever. The story: Nerdy Marty Malt is perhaps the world's worst standup comic. He's greasy. He sweats profusely and crouches over the microphone delivering terrible jokes. Sample (abbreviated): "My doctor told me to get new glasses. I did. Eight sets. Now 16 people can drink at my house."

Greg Kowalski

And that's a good one. Marty's career is destined to remain in the alley, where he picks up the garbage daily and delivers it to the mountainous dump. But his life takes an amazing turn when a hand starts to grow out of his back.

Why? Who knows. We never do find

out. But eventually it becomes a complete arm. Marty masterfully incorporates it into his act - delivering his crummy jokes, then turning to show off the arm to the audience.

This attracts the attention of a talent scout, Jackie Chrome, played by no less than Wayne Newton. *The Wayne Newton*, Mr. Las Vegas Wayne Newton, who is just terrific as the slimy agent.

Wayne has big plans, but they all fall apart when Marty bombs on a try for TV engineered by an equally slimy agent played by Rob Lowe. Yep, Mr. Video himself.

Things get worse as Marty loses the arm and his act just isn't the same. But his friend, Gus, who plays the accordion, does get the invite to Tinsel Town.

Deserted by his girlfriend as well, Marty is left alone to tell jokes about his bizarre experience, which ironically, start to earn some feeble laughs.

The Dark Backward reeks with little touches that make it a delight. The rancid-chicken-falling-off-the-bone dinner is a sight to behold.

And Newton and Lowe add just the right sleazy touches.

Seek out *The Dark Backward*. Go to the video store or sign up for the Sci-Fi Channel. It's worth it.

Greg Kowalski once was signed up at more than 30 video rental places. He had a stack of membership cards 2 inches thick. He can be reached at (248) 901-2570.

NEW RELEASES

ASSOCIATED PRESS

■ *Spy Kids 3-D Game Over* - Robert Rodriguez concludes his family action franchise with a 3-D revival, invigorating the old gimmick to produce a \$100 million hit. Junior agents Alexa Vega and Daryl Sabara journey inside an elaborate video game to foil a bad guy (Sylvester Stallone) trying to brainwash the world's youth.

Antonio Banderas and Carla Gugino return briefly as the spy parents, while much of the past cast shows up for the finale. The two-DVD set includes the 3-D version plus four sets of 3-D eyeglasses and a two-dimensional version for viewers who want to skip the not-so-fashion-

able eyewear. DVD set, \$29.99 (Miramax).

■ *Matchstick Men* - A surprisingly modest and human story from Ridley Scott, known for huge visual spectacles. Nicolas Cage stars as a neurotic con man whose latest caper is complicated by the arrival of a rambunctious daughter (Alison Lohman). He never knew he had. In audio commentary, Scott and screenwriters Nicholas and Ted Griffin lead the audience through the film's twists and surprises. There's also a featurette following Scott from pre-production to shooting to the editing room. The movie comes alone or packaged with its CD soundtrack. DVD-CD set \$39.98, DVD only \$27.95 (Warner Bros).



Join Us Today For Our Grand Opening Celebration!

As you step across the threshold here in Shanahan's we bid you welcome. Cead Mile Failte, which in the words of the Celt is a hundred thousand welcomes.

My family takes great delight as your host, leading you through an experience that is as real as the river Shannon.

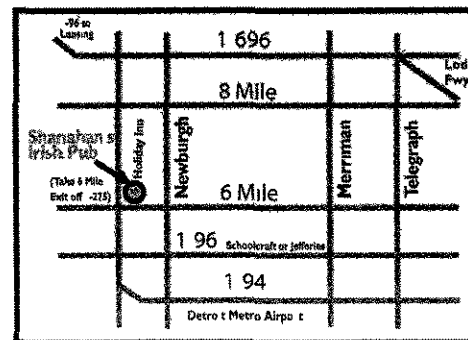
The theme of this little piece of Ireland is hospitality. Join us as you enter through the Torc, our symbolic threshold, inspired by the most beautiful adornment a Celtic chieftain could bestow on the maiden of his heart to experience a Shanahan welcome.

Join us today and you could be the lucky winner of a free vacation, weekend getaway, gift certificates, or VIP tickets to our St. Patty's Day Celebration.

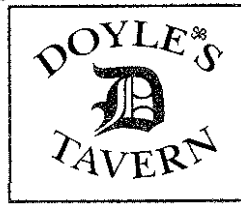
SHANAHAN'S

IRISH PUB

17123 N Laurel Park Dr
Livonia, MI 48152
734-462-2096
734-462-2196 (Fax)



Join the Gang at Doyle's Tavern



FOOD ✻ SPORTS ✻ SPIRITS

Happy Days are Here Again!
happy hour
11 am - 7 pm

• BURGERS • CHICKEN
• PIZZA • FISH • SHRIMP
• CLAM BASKETS • SOUP
• SANDWICHES • APPETIZERS
OPEN

Mon.-Sat 11 am-2 am, Sun. Noon-2 am
happy hour.

Mon.-Sat 11 am-7 pm, Sun All Day Long

860 FRALICK • PLYMOUTH

734-207-9656

(1 block N of Penniman
off Main Street)

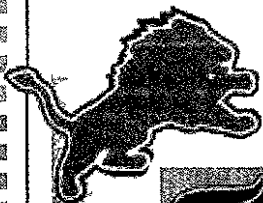
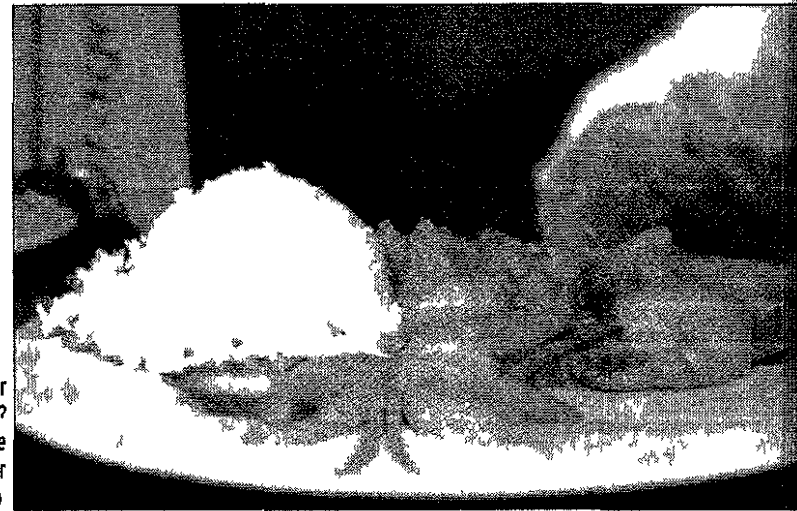


Table hopping

Best of bo



Hungry for seafood? Try the Firecracker Shrimp

Dual personalities work

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

Now that Recipes in Troy has added dinner to its regular lunch and brunch menu, owners Tim Meeks and Trung Huynh have even more opportunities to bring dual personalities and strengths to the kitchen

"I like the flavors of southern and southwest U S cooking," Meeks said "Trung favors Vietnamese

"It's a good fit The breakfast, brunch and lunch menu is mine and I like to cook it It's good food done right In the area there's been little focus on really good breakfasts Recipes contributed that"

Meeks and Huynh met at Benihana in Troy Meeks was working the front of the house and Huynh sold bean sprouts to the restaurant

The two owners find comfort in their menu with day and night personalities Think about the pop culture name they gave it Recipes There are different recipes for the different things in life

SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST

Omelets that Meeks thinks work are served with grilled spuds and toast Among them, the Spanish, with cheddarjack mixed with green chilis and chorizo sausage, is topped with salsa, sour cream and chives Spanish? You could call it that Southwest? Definitely

The Big One omelet has bacon,



Patricia Rustom enjoys an egg dish called the Rambler It's one of Chef Tim Meeks' specialties

sausage and ham with vegetable mix and cheddarjack This will stick to your ribs If spuds were grits, you'd place yourself in southern U S

If you really want to be transported South, try biscuits smothered in the housemade sausage gravy

Skillet Fixins are said to be "born out of hunger" and are served with toast or an English muffin Bandito with chorizo sausage, onions and green chilis laid over spuds and crested with salsa, cheddarjack and two eggs is Southwest as is the ranchero fruttata — with whipped eggs filled with chorizo, green chilis, onions and bell pepper, and topped with salsa and cheddarjack with a dollop of sour cream and chives

You could win \$400. Cash!



How many Monte Cristo sandwiches can you eat in just 10 minutes?

Plymouth Bennigan's Blarney Blast

St. Patrick's Day celebration will be filled with Irish Hospitality, Corned Beef Specials, plenty of Green Beer, and our first ever

Monte Cristo Eating Contest!

First place wins \$400!

Join us for the excitement!

St. Patrick's Day • Wednesday, March 17th, 2004

Blarney Blast specials available all day.

Contest begins at 6:00 p.m.

To register for the contest or for more information please contact the General Manager at 734 459 8907 or stop in at Bennigan's Registration deadline in March 15th

Bring in this coupon on March 17th and receive a free
Irish Hay Stack appetizer!

Coupon good only at Plymouth Bennigan's on March 17th 2004

Plymouth Bennigan's • 40441 Ann Arbor Rd • 734 459 8907

0E00 9009

th worlds



Chef Tim Meeks (left) and Trung Huynh share cooking duties at Recipes

in harmony at Recipes

VIETNAMESE

Except for the handful of restaurants concentrated along John R Road in Madison Heights, metro Detroit has few Vietnamese eateries. Recipes adds one at dinner and in a brighter and lighter setting.

In fact, even at breakfast and lunch, Recipes, seating 60, has an Asian feel transcending the burgundy, tan and green color scheme with attractive wall art, white tablecloths covered with white butcher block paper and adorned with a simple fresh flower.

Although there are other things besides the Saigon-style items at dinner, the Vietnamese-influenced offerings are not to be missed.

Among appetizers, there are Vietnamese summer and spring rolls. Of Japanese persuasion are edamame (soy beans warmed and lightly salted) and pesto gyoza, Japanese-style dumplings in a basil pesto sauce.

Soups are fanciful, and range from French onion, topped with provolone and parmesan, to wonton and a soup selection of the day. Salads are straightforward, warming in cold weather is the hot spinach and bacon.

TASTES OF SAIGON

Skip the regular soups and begin by ordering pho, the national dish of Vietnam, a hearty broth with rice noodles, bean sprouts, mint, fresh basil and scallions.

Then have an evening breakfast by

RECIPES

Where: 2919 Crooks Road Troy (248) 614-5390

Open: Breakfast and lunch, 7 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and until 3 p.m. Saturday-Sunday dinner, 5-9 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday

Food style: Globally inspired dishes from Asia to southern and southwest U.S. Vegetarian friendly

Cost: Breakfast and lunch \$4-\$7, dinner, \$4-\$13

Reservations: Recommended on weekends

ordering bahn xeo, a crispy Vietnamese omelet stuffed with shrimp, chicken, bean sprouts, red onions and scallions, served with sweet garlic sauce over a bed of lettuce and fresh basil.

OK, you'll have to deal with some fish bones, but ca thit kho to, bone-in catfish simmered in a caramel sauce with pork and served in a clay pot, topped with scallions, is unique. Be adventurous.

Mi xao don is wok-sauteed vegetables in a light ginger sauce over a nest of crunchy egg noodles. It can be ordered with shrimp, chicken or beef.

Contact Eleanor Heald by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com



Join Us Wednesdays for Wine Night
\$1⁰⁰ off Glass ~ \$5⁰⁰ off Bottle

Thursday, Friday & Saturday for
Live Entertainment
Starting at 9 p.m.

A Wee Bit Of Ireland
In Downtown Plymouth!



SEAN O'CALLAGHAN'S
Traditional Irish Pub & Restaurant

821 Penniman Ave • Downtown Plymouth • 734.459.6666 • www.seanocallaghans.com

Karl's Cabin Restaurant & Bar

Accommodates Up to 150 Guests

Our Experienced Staff Take Pride in
the Excellent Food & Outstanding
Service They Provide.

Announcing the
Opening of Our Newly
Remodeled Banquet
Room...Great for:

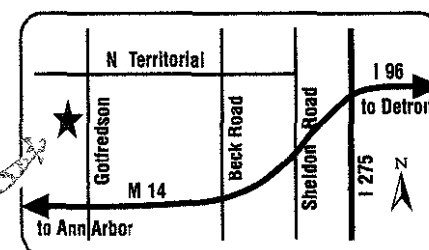
- Bridal Showers
- Rehearsal Dinners
- Baby Showers
- Anniversaries
- Graduation Parties
- Sunday Luncheons
- Sports Banquets

For more information and
reservations please call...

734-455-8450

Karl's Cabin
Restaurant & Bar

9779 Gotfredson Road • Plymouth
(Exit #15 off M-14, then North)



**Livonia's
Finest for
36 Years!**



**Fine Wine List
Available!**

**4-Star Italian Restaurant With Over 100 Years
of Combined Experience by the Del Signore Family!**

Fonte D'Amore
DEL SIGNORE

**Now Featuring Family Menu Mon.-Thurs.
* Special Requests Welcome *
Book Your Special Event With Us!**

**32030 Plymouth Road • Livonia
734-422-0770**

OE081890723

Drinkology

Kentucky's No. 1 bourbon

BY ELEANOR AND RAY HEALD
CORRESPONDENTS

Woodford Reserve is now the state's No. 1-selling super-premium bourbon

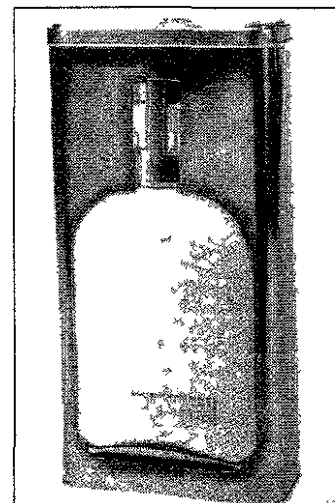
Woodford Reserve (\$30/750mL), a super-premium small-batch bourbon, is the official bourbon of the Kentucky Derby

It's also the fastest-growing small-batch bourbon on the market and, as such, the official bourbon used in making a mint julep, the cocktail made famous by the Kentucky Derby

OK, the season's not right for that, but winter is a good time to enjoy this bourbon on the rocks

Featured in such notable consumer publications as *USA Today*, *The New York Times* and *Food & Wine* magazine, Woodford Reserve has been credited for the rebirth of bourbon

In Kentucky, the home of bourbon,



Woodford Reserve is the official bourbon used in making mint juleps

A major part of Woodford Reserve's success is the discerning judgment of the master distiller

Using years of experience, he selected only barrels in which the whiskey showed superior maturation qualities in their early years

These barrels were set aside for Woodford Reserve, then moved to the 100-year-old stone warehouses at the Labrot & Graham Distillery in Kentucky to finish aging

There, the barrels experience hot summers and cold winters, important contributors to the maturation of fine whiskey

The Healds write about wine and restaurants for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Contact them at focusonwine@aol.com

Buddy's
RESTAURANT
PIZZERIA
Since 1946

**We're
Your
Party
Headquarters!**

Call us about..

- Party Reservations • Carry-out Party Trays
- All-you-can-eat Party Packages
- Dine-in or Take-out • Gift Certificates

**Voted #1 Square Pizza
In Metro Detroit!**

**Join Us
before or
after your
Sporting
Event!**

Visit our website for great savings!
www.buddyspizza.com

Livonia • 734-261-3550
33605 Plymouth Rd • W of Farmington Rd

Enjoy Our Freshly Made Soups & Pastas!

Farmington Hills • Bloomfield • Royal Oak • Auburn Hills • Dearborn • Detroit • Warren • Pointe Plaza

Winter Special
\$2.00 off
Any Family Size
Antipasta or Greek Salad
Not valid with other coupons
or discounts

Winter Special
\$3.00 off
Any 8-Square Pizza
Not valid with other
coupons or discounts

OE08184692

**BEANS &
CORNBREAD**
A SOULFUL BISTRO

**VOTED
BEST SOULFOOD
6 YEARS RUNNING!**

**Early Dinner
Specials \$10**
Everyday 3pm to 6pm

**Fried Chicken
Catfish
Meatloaf**

With choice of 2 sides and dessert.

**29508 Northwestern Highway (Sunset Strip)
248.208.1680 • Carryout Available for \$11.50
www.BeansCornbread.com**

OE08190501

Academy Award predictions

Oscars sorely in need of more 'little movies'

It wasn't a banner year for mainstream commercial filmmaking

If I had to pick a trend, it was the over-praise of the epic. This trend tends to pop up every few years, when films like



Extra Butter

Daniel Kraus

ern civilization

Very few small films got noticed this year. Sure, *Lost in Translation* was great, but it can hardly hold the weight of

Braveheart, *Titanic* and *Gladiator* win Best Picture, when they really should have won Best Sound and Best Cinematography and Best Music - these are the three key ingredients of a great epic, after all.

This year, over-praised blockbusters include *Cold Mountain*, *Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World*, *The Last Samurai* and *Seabiscuit*. What does all this mean?

Not much, aside from the continued decline of west-

Independent Cinema on its adorable little back.

Here are my picks for who should win five major Oscar categories.

BEST PICTURE

NOMINEES *Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King*, *Lost in Translation*, *Master and Commander*, *Mystic River*, *Seabiscuit*

MY CHOICE *Lost in Translation*, while a finely observed film, has become the sole poster child for "little movies" this year. To that end, I wouldn't mind it winning, but my vote has to go with the greatest chapter of one of the most satisfying epics ever, *The Return of the King*.

BEST ACTOR

NOMINEES Johnny Depp (*Pirates of the Caribbean*), Ben Kingsley (*House of Sand and Fog*), Jude Law (*Cold Mountain*), Bill Murray (*Lost in Translation*), Sean Penn (*Mystic River*)

MY CHOICE Yes, it would be fun to

see Bill Murray get an award for being Bill Murray (Hey, it's worth an award.) But the best performance came from Kingsley, who blew me away with his almost freakish intensity.

BEST ACTRESS

NOMINEES Keisha Castle-Hughes (*Whale Rider*), Diane Keaton (*Something's Gotta Give*), Samantha Morton (*In America*), Charlize Theron (*Monster*), Naomi Watts (*21 Grams*)

MY CHOICE Although Theron sealed the deal when she glued on that fake forehead, my sentimental favorite is Keaton. I realize this automatically makes me the least cool person in the room, but what can you do? I'm a sucker for Keaton's spastic charm, which she kept comfortably in check.

BEST DIRECTOR

NOMINEES Fernando Meirelles (*City of God*), Peter Jackson (*The Return of the King*), Sofia Coppola (*Lost in Translation*),

Peter Weir (*Master and Commander*), Clint Eastwood (*Mystic River*)

MY CHOICE Coppola will have her day, but later. Let's give Jackson a hearty pat on the back for successfully juggling one of the most dense, complicated stories ever put to page. I can't think of how Jackson will ever top this (assuming he doesn't try to adapt the Bible or the Encyclopedia Britannica).

BEST DOCUMENTARY FEATURE

NOMINEES *Balseros*, *Capturing the Friedmans*, *The Fog of War*, *My Architect*, *The Weather Underground*

MY CHOICE I want - nay, I need - Errol Morris to win for *The Fog of War*. Although it boggles the mind, Morris has never before been nominated, despite directing some of the all-time documentary classics, like *Gates of Heaven*, *The Thin Blue Line* and *Fast, Cheap and Out of Control*.

Daniel Kraus is a syndicated columnist and film maker.



269 E Fourth Street
Downtown Royal Oak
248-542-9900
www.comedycastle.com

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle, in downtown Royal Oak, is offering the best stand up comedy the Metro Detroit area has to offer.

We're celebrating our 25th year in business...Come see why!

Tuesday is improv Night with 'Totally Unrehearsed Theatre' Mark Ridley's house improv troupe and Metro Detroit's most hilarious group.

Wednesday is "Open Mike Night". Think you got what it takes?

And...every weekend, we feature National Headliners

Upcoming Act:
Feb. 26-28th: Bob Zany.

He's the creator of Bob Zany's Comedy Outlets, has a comedy album 'Hi Home I'm Honey' on Laff Records soon to be published, a scrapbook 'Laugh at Fat Bay-bee!' Also recent television appearances on Roseanne and The Drew Carey Show.

FREE ADMISSION for TWO!
for the Friday Evening 8:00 p.m. Show (21 or Older)
Not Valid for Special Engagements
Reservations Required • Call 248-542-9900
Expires February 27, 2004

www.hometownlife.com

COME PARTY With Us!

Monday	Big Band THE MAGIC BULLETS Live Blues
Tuesday	THE SHOWTIME BAND Dance to the Oldies
Wednesday	COUNTRY MIX Rock the house with a mix of country & top 40 hits
Thursday	Disco Funk Night Groove to Retro Disco Funk with DJ Mexican Bobby
Friday & Saturday	WILEY COYOTE BAND High Energy Band Rocks The House
Sunday	KARAOKE You're the Entertainment!

NEW MENU • KITCHEN OPEN NIGHTLY UNTIL 12:00 A.M.

CRYSTAL LOUNGE

8701 Beech Daly • Dearborn Hts. • Mon.-Sat. 11am-2am; Sun. Noon-2am
(313) 274-9645

Observer & Eccentric | Thursday February 26, 2004 • (***) E13

Recalling a simpler time

Smithsonian's 'Barn Again' exhibit makes us feel innocent again

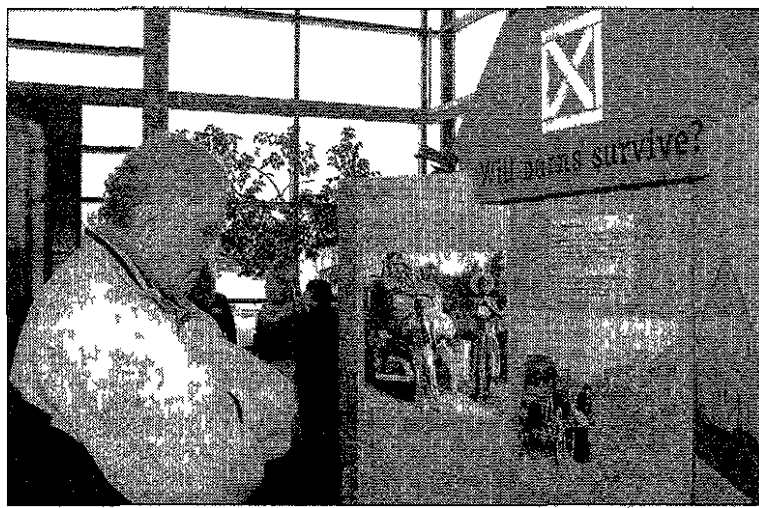
Its red, weathered planks rise to a simple peak. But the surrounding fields – green or gold, depending on the season – spill out and touch all of the horizon

You can almost smell the hay fields when you picture an American barn

Our psyches wrap themselves around many images. Too few make us feel innocent. The American barn, the topic of a traveling exhibit presented by the Smithsonian Institute, is one such visual

Barn Again! Celebrating an American Icon runs through Sunday, March 7, at the Novi Civic Center

"It's that iconic element that really gets a lot of attention in the exhibit," said Kathy Mutch, president of Preservation Novi, official hosts of Barn Again. Barns immediately bring farms and rural spaces to mind. And along with that come certain images with a particular emotional appeal like



HOWARD KAPLAN PHOTOGRAPHY

Barn owner Ara Berberian of Southfield peruses 'Barn Again' at the Jan. 24 opening of the traveling Smithsonian exhibit at the Novi Civic Center.

wholesomeness, freshness and purity"

Barn Again explores our love affair with the quintessential American structure through forms of popular culture, including film,

advertising, children's toys and literature. The exhibit is organized thematically, five kiosk stations present artifacts, objects and text.

While the focus is on the barn as icon, the exhibit also examines

BY THE BARN

What: Barn Again! Celebrating an American Icon – a traveling Smithsonian Institute exhibit

When: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Friday or by appointment through March 7

Where: Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road, Novi

Tickets: \$20, free for children age 12 and under; call (248) 224-4211

■ Preservation Novi's related exhibit – opens Sunday, Feb. 29 and runs through Sunday, May 1. No charge; hours are 2-4 p.m. Saturday-Sunday at old Novi Township Hall, on 10 Mile Road between the Novi Public Library and Fuerst Farm. For more information call (248) 224-4211

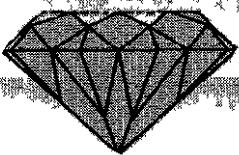
the history of the structure, typical methods of construction and preservation efforts

Of local interest is a cut-away scale model of Novi's Fuerst Farm, Novi Preservation had the model commissioned to show with *Barn Again*.

In addition, the organization has set up a related exhibit within

walking distance of *Barn Again*, inside old Novi Township Hall. It consists of children's barn and farm play sets from the 1920s to the 1970s, and an exposition on Novi's dairy farm heritage

"Part of it is nostalgia," Mutch said of the exhibit's appeal. "Part of it is, hey, let's look at what we might be losing."



Wholesale Prices
to the public

PUBLIC NOTICE
Store Closing Sale

Diamonds
35241 Warren Rd.
Westland, MI 48185
(734) 595-7621
Fax (734) 595-7627

Up to **80%**
Savings

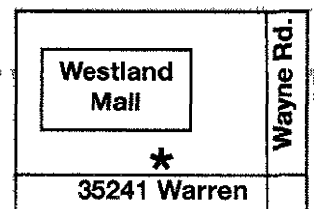
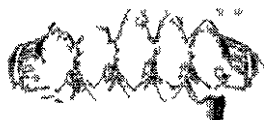
Everything
Must Be Sold

Total Wall to Wall Reduction

Watches
50% Off

- ✓ 14k Gold.....\$10.99 a gram
- Chains & Charms
- ✓ Platinum at the lowest Price Ever....
- Hurry while supplies last!

All Major Credit Cards
Accepted



CE08188801

Onstage

Love and Death

Guthrie Theater brings its 'Othello' to Power Center

Othello is Shakespearean tragedy minus the kings and queens

In their place are a husband and wife passionately in love

Perhaps that's why the play, presented by the acclaimed Guthrie Theater March 4-7 at the Power Center in Ann Arbor, has great appeal among the Bard's stage works

Hey, who doesn't favor love over war?

"It's described as a domestic drama," said Cheyenne Casebier, who portrays the lead female role of Desdemona in the production. *Othello* is her husband

While most of Shakespeare's tragedies deal with power and kingdoms, *Othello* unfolds a tale about a husband and a wife, and a best friend who comes between them," she said

The couple, a black man and a white woman, have already had to overcome prejudice and objections raised by their marital union

But the plot is quick to reveal the flip side of their profound passion: jealousy

In other words, there's no shortage of fury or ferocity in *Othello*, which is set in Venice

LOVE LOST

What: Guthrie Theater presents *Othello*
When: 8 p.m. Thursday Friday March 4-5
 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday March 6 and
 2 p.m. Sunday March 7

Where: Power Center 121 Fletcher St
 Ann Arbor

Tickets: \$16-\$50 call the UMS at (734) 764-2538 or visit www.ums.org

This is a story about a relationship of intense love and one of intense desire to end the life of another, said Casebier. "And there's something romantically sensual in that violence"

With so much inherent drama in the play, the Guthrie Theater doesn't fool around with the Bard's stage directions

"It's not directed with any tricks. It's spoken very clearly, and the audience comes

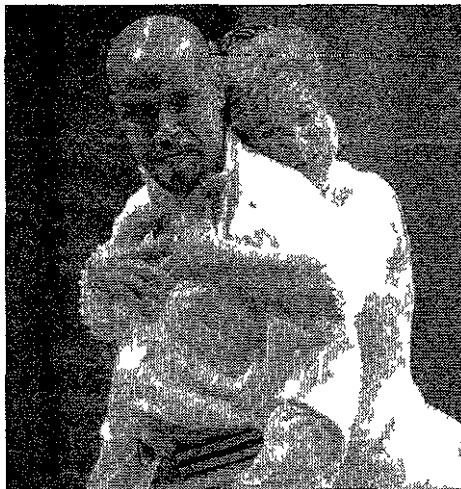


PHOTO COURTESY OF T. CHARLES ERICKSON

The Guthrie Theater presents Shakespeare's tragic love story *Othello* at the Power Center in Ann Arbor

away with a lot of passion," Casebier said, adding, "If I may be so bold, it's very clearly communicated and very accessible."

That's no small thing when it comes to Shakespearean drama.

And the Minneapolis-based Guthrie Theater, which was founded in 1963, is known for its rotating repertory of high-quality classics

"So often in America, it's hard to crack what it is to speak and hear Shakespeare," said Casebier

Sounds like the Guthrie has worked it out

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE'S
MACBETH

Last 2 Performances!
 Sat. 8 p.m. Feb. 28 Thurs. 8 p.m. March 4

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY For Tickets Call HILBERRY H. THEATRE
 (313) 577-2972 4743 Cass Ave., Detroit

Lovers and Executioners
 by John Strang
 Guest Director David Hay

A riotous battle of the sexes, attempted murder, revenge and love stronger than any trial.

Thurs. 8 p.m. Feb. 26
 March 11
 Fri. 8 p.m. Feb. 27
 March 5
 Sat. 2 p.m. March 6
 Sat. 8 p.m. March 6-13

ONLY MICHIGAN APPEARANCE!

The arts ignite the mind. They give you the possibility to dream and hope!
 Arthur Mitchell

Dance Theatre of Harlem
 CLASSICALLY AMERICAN™

4 DAYS ONLY!
March 4-7
 AT THE DETROIT OPERA HOUSE

THURS	MAR 4	7:30 PM
FRI	MAR 5	8:00 PM
SAT	MAR 6	2:00 PM
SAT	MAR 6	8:00 PM
SUN	MAR 7	2:00 PM
SUN	MAR 7	7:00 PM

TICKETS START AT JUST \$25

SPECIAL FAMILY SHOW!
 SAT MAR 6 2:00 PM
 ALL SEATS JUST \$20!

DETROIT OPERA HOUSE
 Home of Michigan Opera Theatre

DAIMLERCHRYSLER
 DaimlerChrysler Corporation Fund
 2004 SPRING DANCE SERIES

Phone (313) 237-SING
 or visit www.michiganopera.org
 FOR GROUP SALES PHONE: (313) 237-3409

FOR TEENS WHO HAVE A PASSION FOR ART OR HOPE TO DISCOVER IT.

CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART

NEW AT CRANBROOK ACADEMY OF ART
CRANBROOK
 Summer art institute

June 21 - August 20, 2004
 14-18 year olds - No experience required

Three Sessions, 13 intensive classes in the Studio Arts
 For more information and registration call 248 207 8562
 or visit the website at www.cranbrook.edu/summerinstitute

Get Out!

Your Guide to Entertainment

Get out! Send fax or e-mail items for consideration in Get Out! To Keely Kaleski, assistant managing editor for features Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax (248) 644-1314 or e-mail kkaleski@oehomecomm.net

PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Fisher Theatre

The Exonerated through March 14, 3011 W Grand Blvd., Detroit. \$30-\$50. (248) 645-6666. www.NederlanderDetroit.com for information on the show visit www.45bleeker.com

Masonic Temple Theatre

Grease with guest star Frankie Avalon. 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. \$19-\$50. (248) 645-6666. (313) 871-1000. www.nederlanderdetroit.com

Fox

Cinema Show through Feb. 29, curtain 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$28-\$58. call (248) 433-1515 or (313) 471-6611 or visit www.OlympiaEntertainment.com

Detroit Repertory Theatre

Yellowman through March 21, 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday, 3 p.m. & 8:30 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sunday. 13130 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. (313) 868-1347. www.detroitreptheatre.com

Plowshares Theatre Company

Sarah, Ella & Pops celebration of the lives of Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughn and Louis Armstrong with guest appearances by Marcus Belgrave. 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 3 p.m. & 8 p.m. Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday. Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. \$25-\$15. \$10 students under 18 with ID. (313) 872-0279. www.plowshares.org

Macomb Center for the Performing Arts

Cats 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Saturday. \$60-\$54 discount students, seniors. 44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township. (586) 286-2222. (800) 585-3737. www.MacombCenter.com

Purple Rose Theatre

Leaving Iowa by Tom Clue and Spike Manton through Saturday, March 13, performances 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, 3 p.m. Wednesday & Saturday.

\$17.50 to \$25. (734) 433-PRTC. www.purpirosetheatre.org

COMMUNITY/COLLEGE THEATER

Oakland Theatre Guild

The Hobbit 7:30 p.m. Friday, 4 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Starlight Theatre (between Kohls and Claire's), Summit Place Mall, 315 N. Telegraph, corner of Elizabeth Lake Road. \$13 adults, \$10 seniors and children under 10. (248) 335-1788. www.starlighttheatre.net

Farmington Players

Noises Off 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. \$13. (248) 553-2955 or www.farmingtonplayers.org

St. Dunstan's Theatre Guild

Night Mother by Marsha Norman. 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday at the theater on the



Artist James Spearman puts finishing touches on his new release, *Dance to the Spirit*. Meet him 2-6 p.m. Sunday at the Del Gallery, 28001 Southfield Road, between 11 and 12 Mile Roads in Lathrup Village. In addition to his new works many of Spearman's popular prints will be available for purchase and patrons can have prints signed by the artist during the reception. For more information call (248) 423-7270 or visit www.delgallery.com

Cranbrook campus, Bloomfield Hills. \$7 adults, \$5 students/seniors. (248) 644-0527. www.stdunstanstheatre.com

Broadway Onstage

Graceland & Asleep on the Wind, two companion one-act comedies by Ellen Bryon, open on Friday. Shows 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, and 2 p.m. on select Sundays through Saturday, March 27. Broadway Onstage Live Theatre, 21517 Kelly Road at Toepfer (8 1/2 Mile Road), Eastpointe. Opening night \$13, all other performances \$15. (586) 771-6333.

SRO Productions

Beau Jest opens Friday and runs 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday through March 14, in the 1854 Church in the Burgh Historical Park, 23960 Civic Center Dr., Southfield. \$10 adults, \$8 children 12 and under and senior adults age 50 and over. Call Tammy (248) 796-4613, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Friday for credit card orders. Tickets can be purchased at the door with cash or check. Call (248) 796-4645 for information.

Performance Network

Spike Heels by Theresa Rebeck through Sunday. Contains adult language for mature audiences. \$22-\$50. Thursday/Sunday \$27-\$50. Friday/Saturday 120 E. Huron, Ann Arbor. (734) 663-0681. www.performancenetwork.org

Stagecrafters

The Guys by Anne Nelson. 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday. Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, downtown Royal Oak. \$10. (248) 541-6430.

Bloomfield Players

Honk 7:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, March 5-7, March 12-14. Andover High School, 4200 Andover Road, Bloomfield Hills (Long Lake Road at Telegraph). (248) 433-0885. www.bloomfieldplayers.org

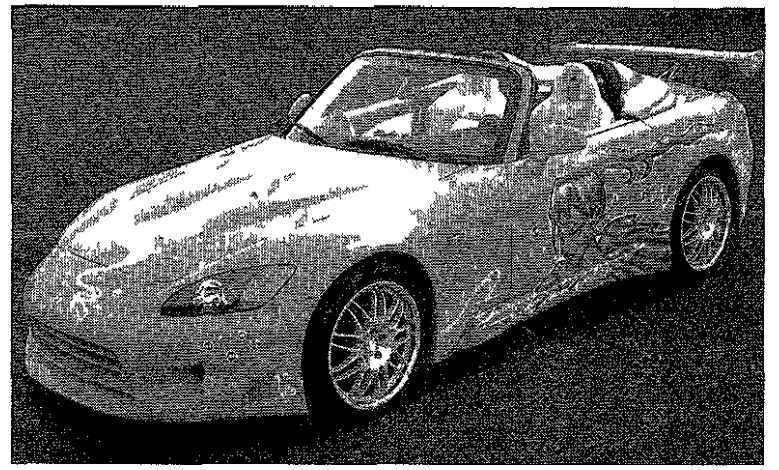
DINNER THEATRE

Tony & Tina's Wedding'

At Barnstormers, 9411 E. M. 36, Whitmore Lake. 7:30 p.m. Saturday. \$60 per person includes supper. Call (734) 449-0040 or (313) 885-3032 for reservations.

14th Street Bar & Grille

Love Letters by A.R. Gurney. Friday, Saturday through March 13, cocktails 6:30 p.m., dinner 7 p.m., curtain 8 p.m.



Suki's Honda S2000 is one of the cool cars on display at the 52nd Annual Detroit AutoRama, Feb. 27-29 at Cobo Center in Detroit. Billed as 'America's Greatest Hot Rod Show,' this turbo-charged tradition features hot rods, custom cars, 1950s classics and celebrity appearances. Show hours: noon to 10:30 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. Admission: \$15 adults, children 6-12, \$5, no charge children under 5. Discount tickets available at all Murray's Discount Auto Stores. For information, call (248) 373-1700.

350 E. 14 Mile Road, east of John R. Madison Heights. \$37.50 per person including tax and tip. (248) 589-9900.

Interactive comedy show

The *Sopranos* interactive comedy. 8 p.m. Saturday, March 6 & March 13. Castello Di Bologna, 2325 Joslyn Ct., Lake Orion. \$49.95 includes show, dinner, dancing. (800) 383-6080.

AUDITIONS

Village Players of Birmingham

Rags musical about immigration in the early 20th century. 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 29 & Tuesday, March 2. 34660 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Performance dates May 7-23. (734) 844-1753.

Home Town Super-Star

Are you a person who sets the state aglow with your presence, lyrics & voice? Auditions May 22-25, semifinals June 12. Baldwin Theatre, home of Stagecrafters, downtown Royal Oak. Applications available at the Mirror offices, 1523 N. Main St., Royal Oak. Stagecrafters, Baldwin Theatre, 415 S. Lafayette, or visit www.hometownlife.com or www.stagecrafters.org for details. Deadline to register is March 15.

Burklyn Ballet Theatre

Auditions for intensive Burklyn Ballet summer program, June 27-Aug. 8 in Vermont, hosted by Rochester School of Dance, 2 p.m. Sunday, 1800 Livernois, Rochester Hills. Arrive 30 minutes early to sign in and warm up. There is a \$25 audition fee. For more information call (248) 652-3117 or Burklyn Ballet Theatre (732) 288-2660.

Spotlight Players

Murder at the Howard Johnsons 7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, March 12. Arts 1 Room in the Summit, 46000 Summit Parkway (west of Canton Center Road, south of Cherry Hill), Canton. Acting roles for 1 woman and 2 men, ages 34-40. Be prepared to present a funny monologue and improvise. Tango and waltz roles for 2 men, 2 women. (248) 259-1093. www.spotlightplayers.net. Dinner theater shows in April and May.

Stagecrafters

South Pacific children's registration 10 a.m. Saturday, March 6, auditions 11 a.m. adults register 11 a.m., auditions begin at noon 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 9 (adults only) auditions 6:30 p.m. at Starr Presbyterian Church, 1717 W. 13 Mile Road (corner of Crooks Road), Royal Oak. (248) 541-8027. www.stagecrafters.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

Meadow Brook Theatre

Roaring 20s Fantasy Night and Silent Auction. 7:10 p.m. Saturday. Dinner, drinks, music. All proceeds benefit the theater. Tickets \$250 per couple, \$150 per person. Call Kate Manfredi (248) 370-4991 or visit www.mbttheatre.com/gala

Redford Theatre

The Detroit Area Art Deco Society celebrates the Oscar-nominated film series at the theater with a special screening of the 1936 comedy classic *Libeled Lady*. 7 p.m. Friday. Tickets \$10 per person includes backstage tour of the theater, coffee/dessert buffet. 17360 Lasher Road, north of Grand River. Audience members are invited to wear vintage attire. (248) 582-DECO. (248) 545-4663. www.daads.org

Maple Syrup Festival

Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills. Saturday, Sunday. All you can eat pancake breakfast buffet, seatings 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. \$14 adults, \$7 kids 12 and under. Call (248) 645-3228 to register. Fur trade reenactors and Cranbrook staff demonstrate early maple sugaring methods. 1-4 p.m. Maple candy and syrup available for purchase, no charge with museum admission. (248) 645-3245. (877) 462-7262. www.cranbrook.edu

Family Sport & Travel Show

Outdoorama at the Novi Expo Center, noon to 9 p.m. Thursday, Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. \$8 adults, \$4 children, ages 5-12, family pass 2 kids, 2 adults, \$20. www.mucc.org

Ford Community & Performing Arts Center

The New Shanghai Circus 8 p.m. Friday
15801 Michigan Ave. Dearborn \$19 \$25
(313) 943 2354 www.dearbornfordcenter.com

Winter Astrology/Psychic Fair

Clawson Troy Elks 1451 E. Big Beaver
Road 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday \$5
admission readings \$20 (248) 528 2610

Beach Bash

Camp Ticonderoga Thursday Saturday
live entertainment sand dance floor
tropical food and drink specials 5725
Rochester Road Troy (248) 828 BUCK

Kensington Metropark Farm Learning Center

Tap a tree learn how to make maple
syrup for ages 14 and older 13 p.m.
Saturday \$10 per person pre registra-
tion required (800) 477 3178 (248) 685
1561

ART

Three Cities Art Club

March event 7-9 p.m. Monday March 1
Plymouth Township Municipal Building
42350 Ann Arbor Road northeast corner
of Litley Road Local artist Sherry Eid will
conduct a workshop on the use of col-
ored pencils Bring pencils sharpener
kneaded eraser good 8 by 11 inch paper
such a Bristol vellum and transfer paper
No charge call (734) 397 2348 or e mail
marilynmeridith@hotmail.com for infor-
mation

Carey Gallery

Mexican and Italian landscapes by Janet
Reger Feb 28 to March 27 Reception for
the artist 6-8 p.m. Saturday 226 Walnut
Blvd Rochester (248) 651 3656

Batista Gallery

Emerging Paradigms featuring national-
ly renowned artists Al Hinton and Sei
Saito Feb 27 to April 10 Opening recep-
tion 6-9 p.m. Friday 756 Livernois
Ferndale (248) 544 4627

JAZZ/BLUES/POPULAR

Birmingham Concert Band

A Pops Cocktail cabaret concert with
the Straw Hat Band featuring vocalist
Patty Ward 3:30 p.m. Sunday Berkshire
Middle School Cafeteria West 14 Mile
Road between Lahser and Cranbrook
Beverly Hills Light music refreshments

fun casual atmosphere no charge but
donations to the band's scholarship fund
are appreciated (248) 647 7586
www.birminghamconcertband.com

Edison's

Brett Lucas Band 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Thursday The Blue Kings 9:30 p.m. to
1:30 a.m. Friday Saturday 220 Merrill St
Birmingham (248) 645 2150

FOLK/WORLD

John Cowley & Sons

Blackthorn 10 p.m. Friday Saturday
33338 Grand River Farmington (248)
474 5941 www.johncowleys.com

The Ark

Deb Mantel with David Moshier and
Friends 8 p.m. Saturday to benefit Hope
Medical Clinic Sandip Burman with Judy
Piazza 7:30 p.m. Sunday 316 S. Main St
Ann Arbor (734) 761 1451 www.a2ark.org

CLASSICAL

Tuesday Musicales

Verdehr Trio 3 p.m. Sunday Feb 29
Birmingham Unitarian Church 38651
Woodward Ave. at Lone Pine Road
Bloomfield Hills \$15 adults \$10 students
(248) 647 2380 (248) 646 8882 or (313)
882 5397

DSO

Classical Roots Thomas Wilkins conduc-
tor Brazeal Dennard Chorale 8:30 p.m.
Saturday 3 p.m. Sunday The Max 3711
Woodward Ave. Detroit \$23 \$60
(Saturday) \$19 \$56 (Sunday) (313) 576
5111 www.detroitssymphony.com

Pro Musica

Violinist Philippe Quint 8 p.m. Saturday
recital hall at the Detroit Institute of
Arts \$35 (313) 886 5639 www.promusicaetroit.com

Dearborn Symphony Orchestra

Classic pops 8 p.m. Saturday Feb 28
Ford Community & Performing Arts
Center Dearborn \$10 to \$30 adults \$5
students (313) 565 2424

COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club

Ben Creed 8:15 & 10:45 p.m. Friday
Saturday 7 p.m. Sunday dinner show
option available at Paisano's 5070
Schaefer Dearborn (313) 584 8885
www.joeyscorndy.com or



RICK SMITH

Playing Curley's wife, Lynnae Lehfeldt hangs dead in (Jeff Thomakos) Lenny's arms in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of 'Mice and Men' continuing through March 7 at the theater on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills Call (248) 377-3300 or visit www.mbttheatre.com for tickets and show times

www.paisano.com

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Andres Fernandez 8 p.m. Thursday 8
p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Friday Saturday 314 E
Liberty Ann Arbor discount for tickets
purchased in advance (734) 996 9080

Mark Ridley Comedy Castle

Dennis Regan 8 p.m. Thursday 8 p.m. &
10:30 p.m. Friday Saturday 269 E. Fourth
Royal Oak (248) 542 9900

Second City Detroit

Ten 8 p.m. Wednesday Thursday (\$15)
7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday Saturday
(\$20) Best of the Second City Touring
Company 7 p.m. Sunday (\$12) 2301
Woodward Ave. Detroit (313) 965 2222
Dinner show packages available

Macomb Center for the Performing Arts

Best of Second City 12 shows March 3 13
7:30 p.m. Wednesday Thursday (\$23) 7
p.m. & 9:30 p.m. Friday Saturday (\$28)
44575 Garfield Road Clinton Township
(586) 286 2222 (800) 585 3737
www.MacombCenter.com

FILM

Redford Theatre

Libeled Lady 8 p.m. Friday Saturday
organ overture 7:30 p.m. 2 p.m. Saturday
organ overture 1:30 p.m. 17360 Lahser
Road Detroit (313) 537 2560 www.redfordtheatre.com

Uptown Birmingham 8

Classic Film Series 11:10 a.m. 11:0 p.m.
3:15 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 7:20 p.m. and
9:30 p.m. every Wednesday 211 S. Old
Woodward Ave. Birmingham \$5.50 (248)
644 FILM

Detroit Film Theatre

Through May 24 Films are at 7 p.m. and
9:30 p.m. Friday Saturday 4 p.m. and 7
p.m. Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Monday
except for special events Detroit
Institute of Arts (theater in back of
building) 5200 Woodward Ave. Detroit
adults \$6.50 senior citizens full time
students with valid ID and DIA mem-
bers \$5.50 (313) 833 3237 or
www.dia.org/dft Discount tickets avail

able in book of five for \$25

Film Wrap

With Ray MacDonald the last Friday of
each month 9-11 p.m. at the Scarab Club
217 Farnsworth Detroit Discussion of
the month's film showing at the Detroit
Film Theatre Donation \$5 (313) 831 1250

DANCE

Country Western Dance

Hosted by Blackberry Creek Dancers on
Saturday Doors open 7 p.m. lesson at
7:30 p.m. open dancing 8:11:30 p.m.
Italian Cultural Center 2811 Imperial Dr
Warren \$10 includes lesson snacks cof-
fee and soft drinks (313) 526 9432

Moondusters

Moondusters will host ballroom dancing
to live bands featuring popular swing
fox trot waltz cha cha and others 8:30
11:30 p.m. every Saturday \$6 Dressy
attire Singles and married Meet at the
Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington
Road and Five Mile Livonia Ballroom
dance lessons 7-8 p.m. Saturday call Joe
(248) 968 5197

Sangria/Sky Club

Salsa night with DJ Wednesday
Thursday free salsa lessons at 8:30 p.m.
401 S. Lafayette Royal Oak (248) 543
1964 \$5 cover 21 and over
www.salsaDetroit.com

Heat

Salsa Merengue Bachata DJ free salsa
lessons at 8:30 p.m. Friday 2 N. Saginaw
Pontiac (248) 756 4821 \$7 cover 18 and
over www.salsaDetroit.com

Half Past Three

Latin night with DJ free salsa lessons
8:30 p.m. Saturday Grand River Avenue
two blocks east of Motor City Casino
Detroit \$8 cover 21 and over (313) 304
8953 www.salsaDetroit.com

MUSEUMS, PARKS AND TOURS

The Henry Ford

Quilting Genius an exhibition of more
than 30 quilts Through Sunday May 9
Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Monday Saturday noon to 5 p.m.
Sunday Village Road at Oakwood west
of the Southfield Freeway and south of
Michigan Avenue Dearborn Adults \$14
seniors \$13 kids age 5-12 \$10 children
under age 5 free call (313) 982 6001 or
visit www.thehenryford.org

The OFF Broadway Hit
is coming to Detroit

Menopause

The Musical

Ask about our all inclusive Restaurant Packages

The Hilarious Celebration of
Women and The Change!

GIRL'S NIGHT OUT (Groups 10+)

"Call for Special Group Rates"

Ask about our all inclusive Restaurant Packages

"IT'S
IMPOSSIBLE
NOT TO LAUGH!"
—The New York Times

Opens March 17th



OE08 86838

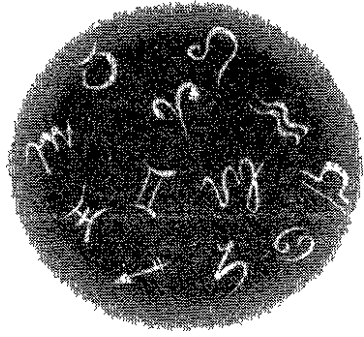
The Gem Theatre 3850 Woodward Ave. Downtown Detroit Box Office (313) 963 9100 Ticket Office (313) 966 6666 www.gemtheatre.com www.thehistoricgemtheatre.com

Horoscope



Star Struck

(Feb 26 - Feb 28)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Laying down the law over intensely personal or career issues may not make you the metaphysical flavor of the week. You are absolutely right to place principles before personalities or people pleasing. For as always, others will mostly treat you the way you treat them.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

No one can pull the wool over your eyes now. Bull or convince you that a money offer is to your advantage. In fact, the moment has come to prove just how much of a bright spark you really are when handling all forms of joint arrangements or professional issues.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Very seldom does every area of one's life run smoothly, and if you're typical of your birth sign, then you are probably way out of your financial depth. However, no amount of argument with partners must prevent you from forging ahead. Try solo rather than team action now.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Something that you believe to be a thing of your past is now likely to re-emerge and cast a shadow over money or family interests. However, if you believe you have played fair, just dig in your heels and be prepared to go into battle to safeguard what has been established.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Two cosmically cranky astro aspects say that there is simply no point in believing that loved ones or companions are about to change their tunes now. What really matters is that you are not being misinformed or led astray.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Anyone who believes that you are making mountains out of molehills or tells you that work is your best therapy is likely to be given a dressing down. So seldom have you strived so hard to do the nose to grindstone thing. Paybacks from devotion to duty is highlighted now.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

Be on your guard if a colleague tries to persuade you to accept less than your true worth. And don't agree to take on new responsibilities unless you're certain that you will be paid at the going rate. Stellarly speaking, you're under no obligation to settle for second best.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

The scene is set, now it is up to you to act out the play. The next few days will prove crucial in determining whether or not you have what it takes to compete at the highest level. Success will be yours, but only if you're prepared to share what you know. Scorp.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

You cannot turn a dear pal, partner or spouse into something they are not, so be prepared to compromise your high ideals at this time. Your insecurity is making you overly assertive or arrogant. Don't allow anyone to appropriate what is rightfully yours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Take what transpires now as confirmation that a money reorganization is unavoidable. Although you may appear to be an achiever, in fact you not only resent but fear change. However, giving up is not giving in, nor is it failing. It is no longer needing to be right.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

Someone apparently missed the point of conversation recently, and now you are being blamed for something that is not your fault. Try to ignore the backlash, you have far more important things to do. What matters most is that you remain in the driver's seat.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Guard against seeing everything as either black or white or feeling sorry for yourself now. You may have encountered aggravation over moolah, put downs or blank stares recently, but if you are to finalize an important transaction, you must remain cool, calm and collected.

Dennis Fairchild is a Birmingham-based astrologer and author of several books on divination. For information about personal consultations, phone (248) 646-3555 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com.

Pure Picks 2004

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda, we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

Album I spent the last two months fretting over whether to include Sun Kil Moon's *Ghosts of the Great Highway* (Jetset Records) in Pure Picks.

And it's not because the album sucks it so opposite of sucks it well, I can't swear here, but it is probably one of the best albums I have heard in years. The problem with it? It was released in November of last year. And when I write, surprisingly, I keep my audience in mind. Who would want to hear about something released four months ago? I reasoned, My readers are young and hip. They want new stuff.

But lately I have seen the record on the top of the college radio charts. There it was, week after week at No. 1.

And week after week, I thought, I can't do it, it's too late. Well, screw that. This week I'm breaking down. Sun Kil Moon is actually Mark Kozelek's (The Red House Painters) latest band, which also includes drummer Tim Mooney of American Music Club and bassist Geoff Stanfield of Black Lab and a string trio from the San Francisco Conservatory. Thank God Kozelek is back (this is his first release since 2001's *AC/DC* covers album) because this record is almost exactly like an A-list Painters release, filled with meandering melody and drenched in the sentimental regret and romanticism that typified them.

But what does it sound like? Kozelek basically channels Neil Young. The stirring acoustic guitar picking of *Floating* and *Gentle Moon* would not have been out of place on *Harvest*, while the lost lamentation of *Lily and Parrots* and *Salvador Sanchez* could've easily appeared on *Rust Never Sleeps*. But it's the carefully crafted melodies that push Sun Kil out of Young territory and into its own open road - one littered with lost girlfriends, kindred spirits and a Southern perspective. That's different, right?

Watch next week as I review something released in the '90s by Pavement. It was good, though! So there. *Ghosts of the Great Highway* is available at most local record stores.



Saturday Looks Good to Me is set to perform at the Majestic Theatre during the Hamtramck Blowout's pre-party extravaganza Wednesday, March 3.

Show

So maybe you've heard of this music event in a certain suburb of Detroit during which some 200 bands perform at various venues. Call it decadent, call it debauchery, or just call it this year's **Hamtramck Blowout**, which flaunts the best, brightest and well, let's just say delightfully eccentric performers this side of the Detroit River. With Tangerine Trousers, Troy Gregory and the Step Sisters, Jettison Red, Maggie's Farm, The Fags, Big City Blackout, Dragstrippers, Gore Girls, Kielbasa Kings, The Betty Fords and tons more, there's something to please your every musical fetish. And if three days of mind-numbing partying and off-the-charts loud sounds still isn't enough, there's a **Blowout Pre-Party** night March 3 at three venues and featuring Saturday Looks Good to Me, Esquire, PAS/CAL, The Singles and the Alphabet (fronted by Electric Six guitar man extraordinaire Johnny Nashinal). For more information, visit www.metrotimes.com/blowout/index.html.

Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy. Is there something you want considered for this space? To submit information on local entertainment, bands, films, clubs, restaurants or other ideas to be featured in this column, e-mail stardy@oe.homecomm.net or write to her at 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.

Family fun

Wackiness ensues at 'Monsters, Inc.'

There's a thin line between humor and fright for children

Designer Scott Lane had to remember that when he created the costumes for *Disney On Ice's Monsters, Inc.*

The world of Monstropolis is coming to the Palace March 3-7, and Lane had the role of making the out-of-world characters

"I didn't want things to be too scary in this world - but I want audiences to believe things could be scary," said Lane. "There's a fine line between humor and fright. I think we walked it - with many different-sized feet!"

Monsters, Inc. is the funny tale about a child who enters a monster factory. This ice show features an international team of award-winning figure skaters, combined with special effects and wild acrobats.

Lane made the costumes come to life with mounds of foam and rubber. After determining each character's look, he then had to construct costumes easy to move in - a hard goal, considering the costumes are monster-size.

"I tried on almost every costume in the show. Trying on the different monsters' garments were important. There was a lot

DISNEY ON ICE'S MONSTERS, INC.

When: Wednesday Sunday March 3-7
performances 7:30 p.m. Wednesday
Thursday 11 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Friday 11:30
a.m. 3:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Saturday 1 & 5
p.m. Sunday

Where: The Palace of Auburn Hills
Tickets: \$50 rinkside \$35 VIP regular
seating \$15 \$25 call Ticketmaster at
(248) 645-6666 or www.disneyonice.com
for information call (248) 377-0100

of trial and error, or shall I say 'research and development'

"We would just say, 'Let's try it!' Let's see what happens!" A lot of our best details happened by accident."

Lane used "foam - a lot of foam," to make things resilient. He used nylon rods to keep things round and aluminum to get things shiny.

He wasn't afraid to incorporate every-



The world of *Monsters, Inc.* comes to life next month at the Palace

day objects into the costumes - from dryer hoses to salad bowls - these elements inspired imaginative creations.

"We used a lot of pantomime to get ideas and see what would work. We had to

consider not just movements and gestures, but how the skaters would wear the costumes. Sometimes the skaters have to learn all over again how to do what they do because the costumes are so different.

\$\$\$\$\$ \$\$\$\$\$ \$\$\$\$\$ \$\$\$\$\$ \$\$\$\$\$

TOP DOLLAR

50 **NEED CASH** 50

50 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 50

WE PAY CASH INSTANTLY FOR ITEMS OF VALUE:
GOLD, JEWELRY, DIAMONDS, SILVER COINS, STERLING
FLATWARE, COLOR TV's, DVD's, STEREO'S, GUITARS, AMPS,
KEYBOARDS, DRUM MACHINES, COMPUTERS, POWER
TOOLS, DIGITAL, AND MUCH MORE

We Buy Broken Gold Jewelry
10KT, 14KT, 18KT
Broken Chains, Bracelets, Rings, Etc.

734 **WESTLAND**
522-1993 **JEWELRY & EXCHANGE**
28962 W. WARREN • WESTLAND, MI
Near Middlebelt on Warren Next to Jerry's Store

www.hometownlife.com

**AN OUT-OF-THIS
WORLD EXHIBIT!**

**MARS
QUEST**

EXPLORING THE RED PLANET

Presented by:
Comerica

We listen. We understand. We make it work.

SOLAR MAX MARSQUEST
IMAX PLANETARIUM

NOW OPEN

THE NEW
Science
CENTER

THE NEW DETROIT SCIENCE CENTER
5020 John R Street • Detroit
313 577 8400
www.detroitsciencecenter.org

24 YEARS
PRESENTING
MICHIGAN'S
FAVORITE ANTIQUES SHOW

**SOUTHFIELD
PAVILION
ANTIQUES
EXPOSITION**

FEBRUARY 27, 28 & 29

SOUTHFIELD
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
SOUTHFIELD, MI
on Evergreen Rd at Civic Center Dr (10 1/2 Mile)

FRI 2-9 • SAT 10-6 • SUN 12-5

\$5.00 with ad - Good for all Three Days

BETTER THAN EVER
OVER 100 MERCHANTS!

*Exit Evergreen Rd South from I-696
More Info www.antiqnet.com/M&M

2004 OSCAR CONTEST

Who is going to win an Oscar this year?

Make your predictions, (circle your choice on the ballot), and if you're right you'll be entered into a drawing to win an annual pass to Emagine Theatre in Novi. Ten runners-up will receive a pair of tickets to Emagine Theater. Deadline to enter is 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27. The Oscars will be awarded Sunday, Feb. 29. Readers who correctly predict the winning entries are entered into the drawing. We'll call the 11 winners, and list their names in the March 4 edition of Filter. Only one entry per person, include your name, address and telephone number.

BEST PICTURE

"The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"
 "Lost in Translation"
 "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World"
 "Mystic River"
 "Seabiscuit"

BEST ACTOR

Johnny Depp "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl"
 Ben Kingsley "House of Sand and Fog"
 Jude Law "Cold Mountain"
 Bill Murray "Lost in Translation"
 Sean Penn "Mystic River"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR

Alec Baldwin "The Cooler"
 Benicio Del Toro "21 Grams"
 Djimon Hounsou "In America"
 Tim Robbins "Mystic River"
 Ken Watanabe "The Last Samurai"

BEST ACTRESS

Keisha Castle-Hughes "Whale Rider"
 Diane Keaton "Something's Gotta Give"
 Samantha Morton "In America"
 Charlize Theron "Monster"
 Naomi Watts "21 Grams"

BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS

Shohreh Aghdashloo "House of Sand and Fog"
 Patricia Clarkson "Pieces of April"
 Marcia Gay Harden "Mystic River"
 Holly Hunter "Thirteen"
 Renee Zellweger "Cold Mountain"

BEST ORIGINAL SONG

Bellefire "Bellefire"
 The Triplets of Belleville "The Triplets of Belleville"
 Into the West "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King"
 A Kiss at the End of the Rainbow - A Mighty Wind
 Scarlet Tide "Cold Mountain"
 You Will Be My Ain True Love - Cold Mountain

Vote in 1 of 3 Ways

- 1) Mail or deliver ballots to The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers Attn: Oscar 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150
- 2) Fax ballots to 734-953-2121
- 3) Vote online at our Web site www.hometownlife.com

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____



Disney
ON ICE
 PRODUCED BY B&B ENTERTAINMENT

Disney • PIXAR

MONSTERS, INC.



*IT'S MONSTERRIFIC...
 FUR SURE!*

MAR. 3 - 7 PALACE
ALBANY HILLS

Wed MAR 3 * 7:30 PM
OPENING NIGHT - ALL TICKETS \$10
(Excludes Rinkside and VIP Seats. No double discounts)

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
MAR 3	MAR 4	MAR 5	MAR 6	MAR 7
7:30 PM	7:30 PM	11:00 AM 7:30 PM	11:30 AM 3:30 PM 7:30 PM	1:00 PM 5:00 PM

Buy tickets at
 ticketmaster Ticket Centers, Arena Box Office or call

For information call (248) 377-0100 • Groups (248) 371-2055

TICKET PRICES:
\$50.00 Rinkside \$35.00 VIP \$25.00 - \$18.50 - \$15.00
(Severance charges and handling fees may apply. no severance charge at Arena Box Office)