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Principal honored

Isbister Elementary School Principal Lee Harrison has been in the education business a long time. And this week, he was honored for it. State Rep. John Stewart presented tributes to Harrison and Ken Pawlowski, principal of Silver Springs Elementary in Northville, in Lansing. The principals were in Lansing for the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals Association Convention where Stewart was the keynote speaker.

Blood drive

The American Red Cross, which has experienced dangerously low blood inventories over the last several months, is turning to Plymouth-area donors for help.

The Plymouth District Library will host a quarterly blood drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, March 19. Donors are encouraged to sign up in the library lobby in advance, yet walk-ins are always welcome on the day of the drive. Apprehensive donors can learn more about this simple procedure by visiting the Web site at www.givelife.org or calling (313) 494-2779.

Carrier to council

Shawn Keough, a former *Observer* newspaper carrier who was raised in the Plymouth-Canton

community, was recently elected to a two-year term on the Dexter Village Council. Keough, 33, is a licensed professional civil engineer whose primary responsibility at Wade-Trim is to serve as city engineer for the city of Plymouth.

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Penn Theatre screen fades to black

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

First, it was the Mayflower Hotel. Next, the Daisy air rifle company.

Now it appears the landmark Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth - which is closed for remodeling - has possibly shown its final movie.

If all went right today, two Plymouth entrepreneurs will have closed on

a cash deal to purchase the 62-year-old Penn from a group of three Plymouth businessmen who have tried to keep the theater operational, despite sustaining losses each of the past five years they've owned it.

Chris Knight, a Realtor with Coldwell Banker in downtown Plymouth, and his long-time business partner, Pat Tortora, owner of Pilgrim Motorsports on Ann Arbor Road, gave

the previous owners an offer they couldn't refuse.

"I used to go to the Penn on dates in high school all the time," said Tortora. "They were all good memories. And, when I found out I might have an opportunity to buy it, I called Chris."

Knight, who has similar memories of the Penn, said "How many times in life do you get a chance to purchase one

of the more prized locations in the city you grew up in?"

Buying the Penn may have been the easy part. The new owners admit they have no specific plans, yet, for the theater which opened in December 1941, and are listening to all suggestions before coming up with a final plan.

"This is more of an emotional purchase, at



Originally opened in December 1941, the Penn Theatre may have shown its last movie.

PLEASE SEE PENN, A7

To the dogs

Handler carves out a career with champions

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Nancy DeWitt's kindergarten class at Plymouth Christian Academy is learning the letter 'D,' and what better way to teach it than with dogs.

On Tuesday, Lorrie Carlton of Plymouth Township - who has shown 83 champion dogs in 30 years - brought two of her Bishon Frise AKC champions, Darcy and Butn, to demonstrate what it takes to train care for dogs.

As one might expect, Darcy and Butn received a lot of attention and plenty of treats from their hosts.

"I learned that you have to feed them and take care of them," said Katlyn Eby, 5, of Canton, "and let them outside and love them."

Even after playing with the well-behaved and lovable pets, 5-year-old Erin Szews of South Lyon still wasn't convinced a dog was a good fit for her family.

"If I got one, then me and my brother would have to take care of it and give it baths everyday," she said. "And, my cats would be scared of it."

Carlton, who has been showing dogs since

PLEASE SEE DOGS, A7



Bishon trainer Lorrie Carlton gets a kiss from her dog Darcy during an appearance at Plymouth Christian Academy Tuesday.

One in, one out of school election

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The longest-serving member on the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education has decided not to seek re-election, while a second incumbent will am for another four-year term in the June 14 school board election.

Elizabeth Givens of Canton, who is completing her eighth year on the board, said she will not run again.

With her children long graduated from Plymouth-Canton Schools, Givens said it's time to move on after serving as a PTO president in 1981, the president of the school council from 1991-95, and on the Board of Education since 1996, including two years as president.

"I got involved because my kids were involved in the school," said Givens. "I love education. It's one area of community service that I could make a stronger contribution than many other areas."

Among her accomplishments, Givens lists spearheading the labor-management team, being part of the high school renewal plan, and establishing the superintendent's evaluation to include major goals.

Judy Mardigian of Plymouth Township, first appointed to the board in 1998, said she doesn't feel her work on the board is completed.

"We've done a lot in the areas of student achievement and focusing on class size, and as we move ahead we need experience more than ever," said Mardigian, who is the current board president.

"I've been instrumental in getting the inequities of Proposal A on the state agenda, I've worked hard in overseeing the last two bond construction programs which brought three schools on time and under budget, and I've tried to open communication between the board and the community."

Thus far, Mardigian is the only person to pick up a petition to run for the school board. Deadline for filing is April 12 at 4 p.m.

Candidates must have 40 valid petition signatures from people registered to vote in the district. In lieu of petition signatures, candidates can pay a \$100 nonrefundable filing fee.

The last day to register to vote in the school board election is Monday, May 17.

Questions concerning the election can be directed to Elizabeth Adams at (734) 416-3095.

Students honor Seuss with green eggs, ham

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The second-grade class of Carolyn Newell at Isbister Elementary, along with their buddies from Vail Csucsila's fifth-grade class, celebrated the 100th birthday anniversary of author Dr. Seuss Monday by literally serving *Green Eggs and Ham*.

While the buddies served up the literary version by reading Dr. Seuss' story to the second-graders, Newell and student teacher Mary Robinson cooked the green

eggs and ham created by students moments earlier. "They taste pretty good," admitted Sarah Fluegemann, 7, of Plymouth.

"It looks kinda gross, but I already knew what they'd look like when they're done," said Richard Fessler, 10, of Canton. "They taste just like regular eggs."

Newell said her class has cooked green eggs and ham the past several years to honor Dr. Seuss.

"He always has a moral to his stories," said Newell. "*Green Eggs and Ham* tells



Josh Davies, 11, and 8-year old Zach Hopman eat green eggs and ham during a lesson at Isbister Elementary School.

us we are responsible for taking care of ourselves, and to respect our parents and the rules in the house."

"The green eggs also helps teach children about the color wheel, because it's yellow and blue that make green," she said.

"And, it's a fun way to have children remember

this is Reading Month. Ten-year-old Ashley Mikolaczuk of Plymouth, standing in line to get her green eggs and ham, said Dr. Seuss is one of her favorite authors.

"I like Dr. Seuss because he's funny," she said. "And, I like that his stories rhyme."

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MUSICAL KALEIDOSCOPE

WSDP 88.1-FM will air Musical Kaleidoscope March 30 at 5:45 p.m.

The show is produced in partnership with the Plymouth Community Arts Council and Pioneer Middle School. Musical Kaleidoscope is a 20-minute show that uses recordings from classical to contemporary to broaden students' musical appreciation. It also subtly promotes social studies and language arts skills in a "Top 40" radio format.

The theme of the show is "The Spies," and Pioneer Middle School students Nick Garzon, Jake Lewis and Matt Rovet will host. The show features music from Johnny

Rivers, the Count Basie Orchestra, the John Barry Orchestra, Duane Eddy and Mission Impossible.

The show is based on a program produced in Georgia called "Music in the Morning."

"It's a great way for students to become more familiar with the radio station," said Bill Keith, the station's general manager. "I also enjoy the wide variety of music and I get excited when students are exposed to all kinds of new music."

Hospice benefit tickets are still available for "The Art of Caring" benefit scheduled for 6-11 p.m. Saturday, March 20 at St. John Golf & Conference Center in Plymouth Township.

Proceeds from the event will help Community Hospice cover the costs of nearly \$1,000 per patient, per day, for end-of-life and bereavement care for underserved families in Wayne, Oakland, Washtenaw and Monroe counties.

Veteran Detroit meteorologist Sonny Elhot will entertain bidders as the event's celebrity auctioneer, while WWJ's Jeff Gilbert emcees.

Tax-deductible donations for individual tickets are \$35 per person for the preview party only, \$95 for the full dinner program. Call (734) 522-4244 or visit www.chpc.info on the Web for more information.

WALKING CLUB

The Plymouth Recreation Department offers a new walking club starting March 29.

The club will meet every day, on a walk-in basis, at the Plymouth Cultural Center and walk a variety of routes mapped out by the recreation department, or walkers can blaze their own trail. There are no fees or registration involved.

Morning walks start at 9:30 a.m., evenings at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the recreation department, (734) 455-6620.

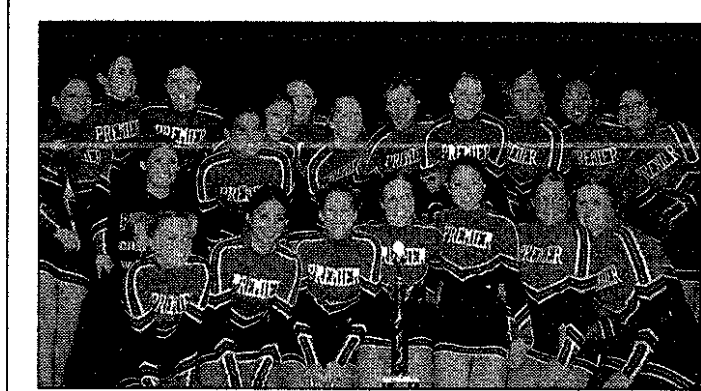
YOUTH GOLF

The Top 50 Junior Tour Presented by Michigan Section Professional Golfers' Association is now accepting spring applications for membership in the tour's 2004 tournament season.

Tour qualifying positions are available for boys and girls age 12 through 18. The Top 50 Junior Tour is a regional golf tour offering players tournament experience plus the opportunity to earn scholarships for college.

The tour is presented by the Michigan Section PGA and the National Golf Scholarship Association. The NGSA was created with the primary purpose of providing numerous scholarship opportunities to junior high and high school students who have a talent for golf, but who also excel scholastically.

The 2004 tour consists of 10 qualifying rounds and 10 tournament rounds and is compet-



Cheerleading excellence

Plymouth-Canton's competitive cheerleading team, Premier Cheer Zone, recently took first place in their senior (grades 9-12) and youth (grades 3-5) division at the Universal Cheerleaders Association's competition in Columbus, Ohio.

ed on local private and public courses. Play begins June 15 and continues through Aug. 20. Each week 50 students play the Tournament Round for free, in all, 500 free rounds of golf are available to members of the Top50jrTour this season. The qualifying field for each tournament is limited to 150 players.

Scholarship awards are offered based on school performance, rules of golf exams, topical essays, sportsmanship and community service. Boys and girls of all skill levels are encouraged to become members. Players do not have to be members of their school teams in order to participate in the Top50jrTour. Interested players should visit the tour Web site at Top50jrTour.com to obtain a membership application or call (248) 321-9900. The full schedule is posted at the tour's Web site.

TINY TOTS

The Leshe Science Center in Ann Arbor hosts Tiny Tot Time Fridays in April and May. The sessions, designed to

provide hands-on natural science and art activities and an introduction to the outdoors for toddlers, feature hikes, stories, puppets and crafts. Sessions are scheduled from 9:30-11 a.m. April 2 and April 23, and again May 7 and May 21.

Suggested audience is children from 1-3 years old, with a caregiver. Admission is \$6 per child. The Leshe Science Center is located at 1831 Traver in Ann Arbor. For more information call (734) 997-1553.

TAX GUIDES

Local residents wanting to see Michigan Tax Guides can get them on the Web site of state Sen. Bruce Patterson (R-Canton Township).

Go to www.senate.michigan.gov/gop/senator/patterson/ to find the guides.

FRIEND/FAMILY DAY

Plymouth Church of Christ hosts "Friend and Family Sunday," at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 21. Children's worship hour and

attended nursery will be provided, as will coffee, juice and rolls served at 9:45 a.m.

DOG JOG

The Kiwanis Dog Jog is right around the corner, scheduled this year for May 8 in downtown Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

The annual event raises money for the Plymouth Kiwanis Club and the Michigan Humane Society. Last year's Dog Jog raised more than \$6,000.

The event primarily features owners and their dogs taking part in a run or walk of approximately a two-mile course through Plymouth. Owners solicit pledges based on completion of the course. There is a fee that covers the Kiwanis Club's costs and programs. Participants receive a T-shirt, a dog bandana and a bag of items for the pets.

Awards are given in categories such as best-dressed dog, biggest tail, owner/pet look-a-likes and other categories. Judges see as significant

LADYWOOD REUNION

The Ladywood High School Alumnae Association hosts its annual luncheon and luncheon at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at the school. Cost is \$20, and all alumnae are welcome. RSVP on line at www.ladywood.org or call (734) 591-1544.

MAIN STREET OPEN HOUSE

Main Street Therapy for Children and Families hosts an open house from 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 20. The business is located in the Farmer's Insurance Building at 859 S. Main in Plymouth.

The staff will be introducing themselves to the local community, and participants can ask questions, get a bite to eat, schedule a free consultation and pick up free literature. Visit the Web site at www.mainstreettherapy.com or call (734) 612-0985.

COMEDY NIGHT BENEFIT

New Hope Center for Grief Support presents "Laughing On The Outside" comedy night at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 7 p.m. Friday, May 14. Emcee will be Eric Wilson, weatherman for WDIV Local 4. Comedian Rich Higginbottom kicks things off at 8, with headliner Mike Green from 9-9:45 p.m.

The event includes a live auction with Blue Willow, prize drawings and a raffle. The Plymouth Cultural Center is located at 525 Farmer. All proceeds from this event will benefit New Hope Center, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center that provides grief support services free of charge to men, women, teens and children throughout southeastern Michigan. Cost is \$50 (\$30 of which is tax deductible). Call New Hope Center at (248) 348-0115 to register and visit the Web site at www.newhopecenter.net for more information.

POP CONCERT

Royal Oak-based pop artist Simon Smith performs at Boulder's Lounge in Plymouth at 10 p.m. Saturday, March 20.

Smith is a culture-pop-rock project featuring the writing team of locals Chris Wietzke and Diane Smith, who was recently chosen as a finalist for the Detroit Pistons Idol contest and sang in front of thousands of Pistons fans during the halftime show at a game.

"We've put together a killer show that consists of our originals and some carefully chosen cover songs designed to please all musical tastes," Wietzke said.

There is a \$5 cover charge. Call Boulder's at (734) 459-4190.

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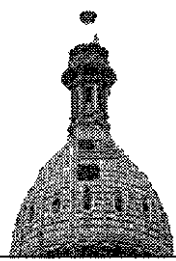
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School boards still have central role

BY GREG KOWALSKI
STAFF WRITER

It started with farmers and shopkeepers

Early in the 19th century it was recognized that education was important to the mostly rural communities across the nation. But with no formal educational system in place, citizens banded together to establish their own schools.

They pooled resources, hired teachers and even built buildings.

And they oversaw the operations.

Such was the beginning of the public school system in America, which actually originated in Marshall, Mich.

Marshall residents the Rev. John D. Pierce and attorney Issac E. Crary innovated the public school system, which was later adopted by the state and served as the model for the nation.

It was the people like Pierce and Crary who oversaw the schools and formed the first school boards.

That was then. This is now. Proposal A and programs like the federal No Child Left Behind have wrested much of the control of school districts away from the school boards.

So are they even relevant anymore?

"More than ever," said Tony Derezinski, director of government relations for the Michigan Association of School Boards, a nonprofit association of school boards around the state.

"They are far from obsolete," Derezinski said. In fact, "the movement is toward more community-oriented schools"

That translates into people having more direct input to their schools through the school boards.

LOCAL ROLE

Even though the boards have lost some power now that the state has assumed more control over funding through Proposal A, the school boards still have to administer the funds.

"There are still a lot of categorical funds, particularly for infrastructure," Derezinski said.

Indeed, the emphasis of many school districts in recent years has shifted to infrastructure — one of the areas that districts still can turn to for local support through bonds.

Bloomfield Hills schools is proposing a \$135 million bond to combine its two high schools on one campus. Last year, the Birmingham schools got voters to approve two of three bond proposals amounting to \$134 million to renovate its facilities.

And Walled Lake voters approved a \$69 million bond in 2000 to construct W.L. Northern High School.

But as district residents continue to support their local schools, the pressure mounts for the schools to cut costs and economize.

Even at the expense of their own existence.

"There have been instances of consolidations of districts," Derezinski said, such as in the Traverse City area. "In fact there is a mechanism in the school code where districts get a bonus for combining with other districts."

CREATIVE APPROACHES

There are 555 school districts in Michigan. Some, like Bear Lake just south of Traverse City, have only a few hundred students. To maximize resources, Bear Lake formed a consortium with neighboring Kaleva Norman Dickson District, creating an educational cooperative encompassing about 1,300 students and with an overall budget of \$12 million.

Each district remains independent with its own school board, but there is only one superintendent.

"It's not a consolidation," said Supt. Greg Webster, who maintains two separate offices in buildings in both districts.

The two schools boards came together a few years ago to form the cooperative, officially known as the Manistee County School Cooperative. It provides business services for the district to maximize efficiency. An office staff of six handles the business affairs for the districts as well as two academies.

"It's worked very, very well," Webster said, even though he now has to answer to two bosses. "We can do all business services relatively easily."

The school boards remain central to the process. But to make the system work, they have to cooperate and have done so. "They are in tune to the fact that they have done something creative," Webster said.

That has relieved some of the financial pressure. The districts still could be on better financial footing, "but we're not in trouble," Webster said.

Institute helps new board members understand complexities of position

The first year of service can be a shock to newly elected school board members, according to those who serve. More than 150 school board trustees, public school administrators and elected officials met March 10 to discuss the unique demands of public service. More than 60 percent of districts in the tri-county area were represented at the meeting.

The gathering was hosted by the newly formed Institute for Local Governments, formed by the University of Michigan-Dearborn, which will begin offering programs this summer for new school board members, in order to bring them up to speed on such issues as finance, school law, policy setting and the nature of public service.

"Most board members come to the board with that passion for education and then discover it's a business," said Kathleen Booher, executive director of the Tri-County Alliance for Public Education, and former superintendent of Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. "There are a lot of rules they have to learn about what you can do and what you can't do."

Booher, along with such education and policy experts as Justin King, executive director of the Michigan Association of School Boards, attorney Amanda Van Dusen of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone, and Earl Ryan, president of the Citizens Research Council, discussed the disparities between what newly elected trustees believe about service, and the often harsh realities they face once elected.

More than 90 percent of their time is spent discussing finance issues, leaving little time for focusing on education, according to Van Dusen.

That can be surprising, she said.



The Institute for Local Government's meeting at the University of Michigan Dearborn drew a large turnout.

Service on the school board requires some training, according to Kathleen Adler-Hadden, Redford Union school board trustee, who was elected two years ago.

"Like most jobs you have to have training for it before you go. You can't just go be a brain surgeon one day, not that this is brain surgery, but it's still complicated," she said.

A crash-course in public service would have been helpful during her first year, she added.

Having them close to home would have been even more helpful. The MASB offers courses now, but they're located in cities throughout the state, such as Traverse City and Frankenmuth, Adler-Hadden said.

Because there are members from all over the state, often the unique issues of metropolitan area schools are not addressed.

"We had a class on safety, and preparing for hostage situations and that sort of thing. Much of the information was geared toward communities that may not have their own police force, and have to rely on state police or the sheriff's

department," she said. "We already had a plan in place for years, so that information wasn't really helpful to me."

The Redford Union school board will have two terms expiring this year, Adler-Hadden said.

Barbara White, 16-year trustee on Garden City Schools' Board of Education, said even though it's not a bad idea to educate new board members, some board members already help bring along their new colleagues.

"They made some assumption that board members weren't doing their job. I think Garden City does a super job of helping and teaching their new members," White said.

White was also uncomfortable with the idea of requiring new trustees to attend meetings — the first being just two weeks after election. "I don't know if other board members have the right to tack that on as a condition to service," White said.

Garden City will have two vacant seats on the board of education this year. White has announced she will not run for re-election.

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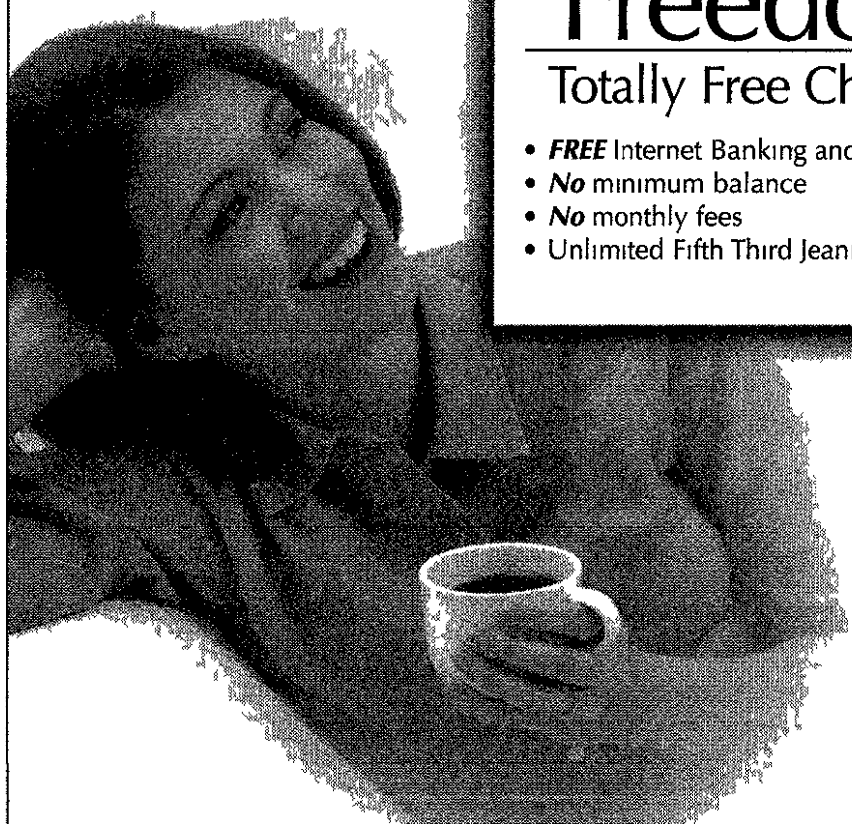
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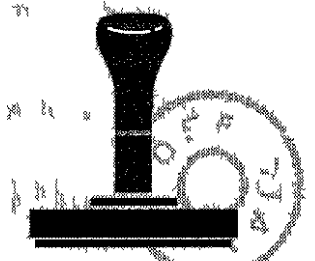
C
Robert G. Chapman, 81, died March 10

H
Billy Ray Hammac, 62, of Howell died March 4

R
Albert F. Remington, 87, died March 12
Raymond Rowe, 74, died March 11
Ruth Limauro, 78, formerly of Birmingham, died March 10

S
Junior Charles "Chuck" Schingeck, 80, of Plymouth, died March 11

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Edward Crawford Watkins, 84, of Birmingham, died Feb 7



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drew \$300 from the customer's account, according to police. Police believe the suspect left driving a dark-colored truck. Anyone with information can call Det. Sgt. Bob Antal, (734) 354-3241

Monday, March 15 - Residential rescue runs on St. Andrews Square, on Ross and on Brentwood, carbon monoxide detector run on Plymouth Crossing

Sunday, March 14 - Residential rescue runs on Pearl, on Greenview and on Crestwood, commercial rescue run on Main

Saturday, March 13 - Residential rescue runs on Quail Run, on Union, on Canton Center, on Heritage, on Northville Road and on Haggerty rescue run at a public building on Ann Arbor Road

Friday, March 12 - Residential rescue runs on Northville Road, on Pinetree, on Main and on Starkweather, investigation on Port

Thursday, March 11 - Residential rescue runs on Ridge and on Northville Road

Wednesday, March 10 - Industrial rescue run on Clipper, residential rescue runs on Marlowe, on Oak, on Dunn, on Penniman and on Baywood, rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road and on JoAnn, vehicle accident with wash-down on N Territorial rescue run at a public building on 5 Mile, commercial rescue runs on Ann Arbor Trail and on Haggerty

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs between March 10-16

Tuesday, March 16 - Commercial rescue run on Keel, residential rescue runs on Oak, on N Territorial on Jenner and on Lakeland Court vehicle accident on southbound I-275 south of Joy Road, rescue run at a public building on 5 Mile

POLICE BLOTTER

Plymouth Township Police are looking for help in their investigation of the fraudulent use of an ATM card at the Standard Federal Bank on Ann Arbor Road

The suspect is a male approximately 5-foot-10, dressed casually with short, sandy-colored hair. According to police a customer used an ATM card at the bank, then left the card in the machine after making a withdrawal. The suspect, who had been in line behind the customer, used the card and with-

Teams show 'Imagination' at competition

Performance and problem-solving skills of Plymouth-Canton students dazzled the judges at the recent Destination Imagination regional competition in Grosse Pointe, so much so that the kids brought home first- and third-place honors

The results were good enough to earn both teams an appearance at the April 24 state finals

Destination Imagination is an international program that encourages and develops teamwork, creativity and problem-solving skills, according to Roberta Burdette, one of the team managers for the Plymouth-Canton Interact team. Plymouth-Canton sent teams from Smith Elementary and West Middle School, along with the Interact team comprised mostly of students from the district's three high schools

Destination Imagination teams meet weekly to practice problem-solving skills for the 'instant challenge' and to create a performance for their "central challenge" based on DI requirements. Burdette explained Plymouth-Canton teams competed against schools from Huron, Lenawee, Macomb, Monroe, Sanilac, St. Clair, Tuscola, Wayne and part of Oakland counties, including teams from Berkley, Farmington, Royal Oak and Southfield school districts

The Interact team placed first in the high-school level competition of Cartoon Dimensions

"Their task was to create an original cartoon with interesting and animated characters," Burdette said. "They had to incorporate a team-made sound effect and an object that could change from two-



Members of the Plymouth-Canton Interact team include (front, l-r) Karl Lewis, Andrea Burdette and Kyle Burdette, and (back) Dan Bowden, Meagon Bartlett, Tim Phillips and Kevin Burdette. The team took first at the Destination Imagination regional.



Members of the West Middle School team, which took third at the Destination Imagination regional, include (from left) Emily Mosher, Sam Lipp, Stephanie Poe, Kelly Filios, Rachel Palgut, Alyssa Garbarino and Adam Harrison.

three-dimensional"

Team members include Megan Bartlett and Dan Bowden from Salem High School, Kevin Burdette, Karl Lewis and Andrea Burdette from Canton, Tim Phillips from Plymouth and Kyle Burdette from West Middle Schools. Roberta Burdette and Cindy Bartlett were

team managers

The West Middle School team placed third in the middle-school level competition of Cartoon Dimensions. Their team includes West students Emily Mosher, Sam Lipp, Stephanie Poe, Kelly Filios, Rachel Palgut, Alyssa Garbarino and Adam Harrison.

Roundup aims to 'lasso' class of 2017

Do you know a member of the class of 2017?

If you have or know a student who will be in kindergarten next year, then you do. All 17 elementary schools in the Wayne-Westland Community Schools will host a Kindergarten Roundup for

parents and children at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 30

Parents will have the opportunity to tour the school, meet the principal and kindergarten teachers, discuss the curriculum and review registration materials. Children who will be 5 years old by Dec. 1, 2004, are

eligible for kindergarten

Parents unable to make the roundup during the day can register their child 6-7 p.m. that evening at their school.

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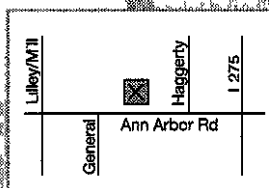


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Cox plans to build her own political future

With state lawmakers and municipal leaders from Livonia, Northville and Plymouth behind her, Laura Cox formally announced Monday she will run for a seat on the Wayne County Commission

There was one noticeable absence during the Livonia Republican's event at the Livonia Civic Center Library — her husband, Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox

A campaign staffer said the attorney general was busy with a radio interview, but the county commission candidate admitted her first run for public office is solely about her qualifications

"He's an asset, but he's not the reason I'm running," said Laura Cox, 39

"The reason I'm a good candidate has nothing to do with him"

In her comments to a crowd of 50 supporters, Cox, a veteran GOP grass-roots campaigner, never mentioned her husband. Instead, she highlighted her four children, years of community service and 13-year career as a U.S. Customs agent

"The county has some homeland security and first-responder issues and with my law enforcement experience, that gives me an advantage to address those issues," said Cox, who added she would bring a fiscal conservative's voice to handling the county's \$2 billion budget

Cox seeks the seat held by Livonia Republican Lyn Banks, who represents Plymouth city and township, Northville city and township and portions of Livonia on the 15-member commission

It is still unknown if the incumbent will run for re-election. Banks said Tuesday no decision has been made, but she will announce her plans "soon enough for other people to decide whether to run." The filing deadline is May 10

Cox supported Livonia Mayor Jack Engbretson during his heated mayoral campaign last year against Banks. Engbretson was at Cox's event Monday, but he said his support for her is not retaliatory against Banks

"Commissioner Banks brought some forces together to help us get left-turn lights at Five Mile and Merriman and Six Mile and Merriman," Engbretson said. "However, we have not had a lot of con-



Laura Cox running for Wayne County Commission

'The county has some homeland security and first-responder issues and with my law enforcement experience, that gives me an advantage to address those issues.'

tact with Wayne County, but Laura Cox is committed to being more an open communicator"

Also lining up behind Cox on Monday were state Reps John Pastor (R-Livonia) and Phil Lajoy (R-Canton),

Northville Township Supervisor Mark Abbo former Livonia Mayor Jack Kirksey and five Livonia city council members — Joe Taylor, Don Knapp, Brian Meakin, Tom Robinson and Jim McCann

While not present Monday, Cox also announced she has endorsements from state Sen Bruce Patterson (R-Canton), Livonia city Councilwoman Linda Dolan and Plymouth Township trustees Abe Munfakh and Ron Griffith

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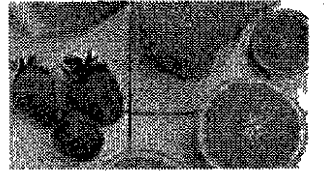
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Johnson Controls executive joins diabetes effort

One of the top executives with Johnson Controls, Inc., agreed this week to serve as corporate chair for the American Diabetes Association's Walk for Diabetes.

As corporate chair, Keith E. Wandell, president of Johnson Controls Automotive Group, will work with ADA staff in recruiting corporations, small businesses and other organizations to participate in the Sept.

26, 2004 America's Walk for Diabetes.

Johnson Controls, Inc. Automotive Group offices are on Halyard Drive in Plymouth. Wandell is the latest corporate executive in metro Detroit to lend his name and talents to the ADA and its programs. Ronald Hall, president and chief executive of Bridgewater Interiors LLC, is chair of the ADA Board of Directors. This is Hall's fifth year on the board.

Bridgewater Interiors is a joint venture of Johnson Controls and Epsilon LLC.

I have a professional relationship with Ron and he asked me if I would be chairman of America's Walk for Diabetes this year, said Wandell, 54. It's pretty impressive the way the program has been put together. It's important to drive awareness and, hopefully, raise money to find a cure for the disease.

America's Walk for Diabetes is the ADA's largest fund-raiser of the year. Participants raise pledges from the event.

More than 6,000 people are expected to participate in the event held at Stony Creek Metropark near Shelby Township, Belle Isle in Detroit, Lower Huron Metropark near Romulus and Kensington Metropark near Brighton. Someone like Mr. Wandell certainly will lead his expertise

in the corporate community by educating other leaders about the seriousness of diabetes and the impact it has on their bottom line," said Danielle Rodriguez Dickerson, market director, ADA for Southeast Michigan. We are excited to have someone of his stature lending his name and abilities to something as important as America's Walk for Diabetes. Wandell said he is impressed with how the ADA has tried to

raise awareness about diabetes in the corporate community and how much it costs in terms of health care. About 18.2 million people in the United States — 6.3 percent of the population — have diabetes. However, 5.2 million of them are unaware they have the disease.

For information about diabetes, the ADA or its programs, call (248) 433-3830, (888) 342-2383 or go to www.diabetes.org.

Foundation raises money for restoration

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Shari Peters has no trouble remembering the day Feb. 12, 2003.

Peters is president and executive director of the Northville Community Foundation, which is spearheading efforts to rebuild Maybury Farm following a devastating fire on that date in which a number of animals died.

Organizers have set a \$3 million fund-raising goal, with support coming not only from Plymouth, Northville and Canton, but also communities such as Ann Arbor, West Bloomfield, Livonia, Redford, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi, Brighton and others.

"I've been shocked from day one," Peters said of the support. "The outcry has been impressive."

She spoke Tuesday to Plymouth A.M. Rotary Club members and guests. Peters said the state Department of Natural Resources had contacted the foundation about taking over the farm before the fire.

The foundation took over in November 2003, and is now working with engineers, architects and surveyors to restore the site. A number of professionals are donating their services, she said, making the project feasible.

Barns have been donated by the city of Novi and Toll Brothers, and will be moved to the site off Eight Mile in Northville Township. "We're trying to preserve as much as we can," Peters said. "We're looking for silos."

She added that support has come from out of state, as people have read about the tragedy on the Internet.

The foundation is holding a "Buy a Board" fund-raising effort, with a \$250 donation placing your name or that of a loved one on a farm board. Donations qualify for a 50 percent state tax credit, and organizers hope to get 4,000 board donations.

For information on donating, call (248) 374-0200 or write to the Northville Community Foundation at 321 N. Center, Suite 130, Northville 48167. The fax is (248) 374-0403.

Organizers recently hired Maybury's former farmer, she said, and are working with local educators to provide learning opportunities for kindergarten through college students. Hopes are to have the farm open in a year.

Peters told of a Garden City grade school group that raised \$790, and how she told them they were helping to provide animals for the farm. The horses, the only animals not killed, will be back at the farm.

"It truly is a team experience," Peters said. Chris Belcher, a committee member from Plymouth Township, is pleased with the project. "It's going well so far," said Belcher, who organizes events for the fund-raising effort.

Belcher said it's fun to see how many people know about the farm. "So they're excited to see it rebuilding."

He and his family, including kids in first and eighth grade, moved here about the time of the fire so hadn't visited Maybury. They'll look forward to the farm's reopening.

"It's nice to see a lot of the communities getting involved in this project," Belcher said.



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Bishon trainer Lorrie Carlton lets the children from Plymouth Christian Academy pet her dog Butn's belly. PCA students are studying the letter 'D' and started with dogs.

DOGS

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she was 11 years old - when her parents owned Belle Creek Kennel in Livonia - said she loves watching her dogs interact with young children.

"It was wonderful bringing them into a group of 5-year-olds, not having been raised with children, and having them interact and just say 'love me,'" said Carlton.

After selling the kennel in 1989 and opening Remrock Farms Veterinary Services in Salem Township with her husband, Larry Letsche, Carlton still gets around to various dog shows and is known throughout the country as one of the best.

"I have the No. 1 Bishon Frise female in the country right now," she said. "At the Westminster show in New York, I won Best of Opposite Sex. And, two years ago, I was the Best In Show winner at the Detroit Kennel Club show."

In fact, Carlton will have six dogs in this weekend's two-day Detroit Kennel Club show at Cobo Center.

"It's very rewarding to take a dog and train it to do various things, and then have someone judge it to be the best," said Carlton. "Bishons can be a little tough at times. They require a lot of consistency, like children



Darcy, one of two Bishon Frises to visit Plymouth Christian Academy, gets a cookie from 6-year-old Jacqueline McGraw.

But, as long as you do the things in the beginning the right way, the outcome is a well-behaved companion dog."

Darcy has already produced champions, and Butn is a certified therapy dog.

"She can go into hospitals, nursing homes and hospices and be held by anybody," said Carlton. "They provide therapy for healing, as well as psychological benefits. To see the people light up when they see the dogs is very rewarding."

Carlton owns four horses, four goats and a dozen cats to go along with her 30 Bishons, so it's no wonder she has to sell some of her dogs. But, they don't just go to anyone.

"Anybody who buys a dog from me has to be interviewed," she said. "I want to make sure the buyers know about the breed, and know what kind of dog they're getting."

"I want a dog that will fit your lifestyle, otherwise it's a total mismatch," said Carlton. Carlton said knowing that her dogs are going to a good home makes it easier to sell them.

"Those that I sell I know have it made," she said. "They'll be spoiled rotten."

Carlton has three simple tips for those thinking about getting a purebred.

"Go to a good breeder, one who is breeding to better the breed," she said. "Second is training. There are some good books and classes so the dog will learn how to respond."

Carlton said the third is common sense.

"Praise the dog for things he does well, and the things you don't want the dog to do, chastise them appropriately."

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PENN

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this point," said Knight. "This is an opportunity to create something we'll be proud of, and other people will enjoy."

"We're meeting Friday with architects who specialize in creating an ambiance and atmosphere to discuss something which will be conducive to the Penn," said Knight. "We're not rushing into anything."

Knight and Tortora both said a restaurant is most likely part of the future mix.

"No question about it," said Tortora. "The liquor license is in place, and Plymouth seems to have a big demand for eating establishments. More and more people keep coming downtown."

Knight suggested there could be a comedy club, live entertainment, or maybe even

second-run movies as part of the plan.

However, the days of the Penn Theatre remaining as one of the last single-screen moviehouses in Michigan are over.

Ron Cook, who was a partner with Jim Courtney and John Mazzei, said the Penn Theatre was a failing proposition the five years they owned it, losing \$150,000 last year and \$50,000 the year before.

"We tried every angle there was, but we never made a profit," said Cook. "It was a tremendous experience owning a landmark property."

Even Earl and Bonny Smith of Plymouth Township, who owned the Penn from 1982-99, said they couldn't earn a profit the last five years they owned it before selling it to Cook and his partners.

Courtney, who admitted it was a tough decision to sell, said owning the Penn was never about the money.

"Not every deal is about money," he said. "Some you do for the fun of doing them. It was a labor of love. I believe we had the finest piece of real estate in downtown Plymouth."

The Penn was shut down more than a month ago for remodeling as the previous owners were getting ready to re-establish a comedy club on weekends.

"We were in the middle of architectural plans when we got the offer," said Cook. "We had lumber and \$10,000 in new table tops already paid for when they came forward."

Cook said the three purchased the theater for \$400,000.

Despite the sale, the new owners said one aspect of the Penn Theatre will always remain.

"The Penn sign and marquee will stay the same," said Knight. "Our intent is to keep the Penn name in whatever it becomes."

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OUR VIEWS

Plymouth loses another icon

There are those who embrace change as necessary, hail it as a vital brick in the road toward progress. Others lament the shifting winds that alter life as we know it.

Both sides are taking advantage of the opportunity provided by the closing and sale of the Penn Theatre, the sale of which was announced by its owners this week.

The screen, dark while the owners did some renovation in preparation for adding a comedy night, has gone permanently black now that the decision has been made to sell to a group who will replace it, likely with some sort of restaurant venture.

And, while yet another new restaurant can't hurt the ambiance of downtown Plymouth, it's too bad it comes at the expense of one of the city's most cherished landmarks. Like the old Mayflower Hotel and the Daisy Air Rifle factory before it, the Penn will now fade into the annals of a Plymouth past.



Which is too bad, considering the Penn is one of Plymouth's oldest - and finest - traditions. For a long time the theater, originally opened in December 1941, showed mostly second-run movies. Attempts have been made to add a comedy club. Owners tried for awhile in the last couple of years to show first-run hits, but it didn't pan out.

They were renovating, with plans for going back to what had worked in the past, plus the addition - again - of a comedy stage when the offer to purchase came in.

The new owners aren't quite sure what they're going to do with the place, although an eatery of some sort is likely to be at least a part of the plan.

There's even the possibility they'll hang onto the screen and some of the seating, but the Penn Theatre as Plymouthionians have come to know it will no longer exist.

The Mayflower Hotel is gone, replaced by a semi-successful residential/retail structure still struggling to find occupants. The Daisy Air Rifle factory is history, to be replaced by residential development.

Change is generally good, once you've embraced it. While many residents may be saddened by the loss of another favorite landmark, they can be heartened that so many people think of Plymouth as a destination location.

Plymouth has a long and storied history, the loss of the Penn won't change that. Still, while you embrace the changing future of your community, remember it's OK to take a moment to lament the loss of an important part of its past.

State needs to ease taxpayers into e-filing

The Michigan Department of Treasury is pushing hard - a little too hard, in our opinion - to get taxpayers to file electronically. To reach its goal of having 1.1 million more taxpayers e-file this year, the state has enacted several changes.

- They include
- Eliminating the telefile system
- Eliminating the EZ form
- Cutting nearly in half, from 3,000 to 1,600, the number of sites around the state where people can pick up a copy of the paper form
- Telling taxpayers to wait eight-10 weeks for their refunds before checking on their paper returns, compared to a week for e-filers
- Mandating that paid preparers who file more than 200 returns a year must file electronically

The state cut \$3 million from its tax-processing budget, meaning it couldn't hire 200 seasonal employees to process returns this year.

The need to cut costs is understandable, given the shape the state budget is in. And electronic filing is the way of the future.

But in 2004, an estimated 25 percent to 35 percent of homes still don't have personal computers - let alone Internet access or the necessary software.

Even if they can file electronically, a lot of people are concerned about identity theft.

The state should have implemented the changes more gradually.



LETTERS

'Passion' is a viewpoint

In a country with many religions and beliefs, the controversy over *The Passion of the Christ* is not surprising. Mel Gibson's film has been in headlines everywhere for over a month. This has everyone excited to see it for themselves. The film is based on the last 12 hours of Jesus Christ's life. The media have been highlighting the gore and violence in this film, while religious groups are busy judging the accuracy of the movie. The question that many of us have is, why Mel Gibson?

Mel Gibson has been in the Hollywood limelight for years. He has starred in films such as *Lethal Weapon*, *What Women Want*, *Braveheart*, and many others. We have grown to love the energy that he gives to his roles.

In interviews, Gibson stated that he chose to produce *The Passion of the Christ* because of his Christian beliefs. He felt that the world needed to see what Jesus went through for us all. And because of this risk that he took, he may have created his biggest success yet.

Gibson did not believe *The Passion of the Christ* would gain popularity because of the Aramaic language that is used. In fact he warned James Caviezel, the actor who played Jesus, that it could be a risk to his career in the future. Caviezel also believes in the Christian faith and was willing to take that risk. The subtitles have not affected the film's popularity, but the topic has.

Skeptics of the film have questioned his true motivation of making this film. Because Christian films of the past have produced mass media reactions, some are accusing Gibson of using this controversial issue to expand his pocketbook.

I feel that Gibson took a big risk in making this movie, and he may still face controversy in the future. But he was aware of this risk before he began.

He may make a fortune from the profits, but he did have a large initial investment. Not only money, but also time. The film took longer than others, and presented many extreme challenges with portraying accuracy.

The effects of this film may vary. It could bring arguments among different religions. It could bring debate into our community. It could reassure us in our faith. It could introduce us to a new faith.

Any way you look at it, fact is it is a movie. It is not law. It is not God. It cannot prove or disprove anything. It does represent a viewpoint. In America, we are free to express our viewpoint, regardless of our motivations.

Heather A. Martel
Plymouth

Rep Stewart basically said the same as was stated in the article dealing with gay marriages, however, he was quick to change the topic. It came across to me that he was afraid of gay marriages because they are different than what he is accustomed to.

I think this is the same as for most people who are opposed to this idea. Sure, the basic belief is that marriage is that of a man and a woman, but once upon a time it was also the basic belief that women were not equals, or that black-skinned people were to be slaves.

There is little difference between these situations, as they are civil rights issues. Sexuality has nothing to do with how much of a person they really are.

Amber Teunis
Salem sophomore
Plymouth

Not for Kerry

The following comments are directed toward the observations and statements of Mary Brennan regarding John Kerry.

A real war hero doesn't abandon fellow war heroes - the Vietnam War's POW/MIAs - as John Kerry has when he served as chairman of the Select Committee on POW/MIA Affairs. However, his cousin did secure a multi-million-dollar contract for his company, Colliers International, as a real estate representative in Vietnam when Kerry led the fight to secure normalizing relations with Vietnam.

Yes, Kerry received the Silver Star and three Purple Hearts in Vietnam. However, he has refused to open his military records regarding his three wounds, for which he was never hospitalized. Furthermore, he should have served on his boat crew for six months. Instead, he left his boat crew two months early in the Mekong Delta waters.

Rather than his four-month record in Vietnam (Kerry spent another six months on board a ship in the South China Sea), Kerry will be judged by what he has done for 18 years in the Congress.

Within the military community, Kerry has both his backers and his detractors. Based on what Kerry did as a war protester, which in my opinion aided the North Vietnamese to continue the war and inflict additional casualties, he'll not receive my consideration.

In a lot of veterans' minds from Vietnam, that's the price Kerry should pay for his actions which were not in the best tradition of our country.

Roger Kehrier
Plymouth

news media, while similar, perhaps even greater, abuses within other faiths and entities warrant with them hardly any mention.

Detractors concentrate their attention on what is in fact a relatively small number of ferreted-out-by-them alleged abusers. Some of them, in fact, might have been truly guilty of the offenses imputed to them, others are falsely accused.

On many occasions, a hoax of "suppressed memory" therapies are performed on purported victims, potential accusers. The result "recovered memories" for some, often sham accusations for others.

The detractors thus create the impression that the so accused are typical of the whole, but deliberately, it seems, ignore 99-plus percent of the guiltless, dedicated, hard-working, greatly appreciated and revered by the faithful servants of the Church, performing day in-day out praiseworthy God's work.

They know that any misinformation like, for example, this exaggeration of abuses, if repeated long and often enough, eventually becomes instilled in even rational people's minds as credible. And, it is a known fact that, in general, the forces of mendacity scheme most vehemently against what is the most holy.

Catholics must not be swayed by such apparently purposive exaggeration of the abuses and harm they might have caused, if any. They should deem it for what it appears to be: stealthily intended by the detractors, that is, to be used, above all, as one of the main constituent elements of misinformation instrumental in subtle subversion, and as a handy factor in claims to big money.

But such claims to money, in any case, especially where there has been no lasting harm suffered, may be tantamount to stealing from God's church.

No one person is perfect on this Earth, but the people of Christian faith continuously strive toward that end. People should not allow themselves to be so easily misled by unfriendly to the Catholic Church mischief makers.

Joseph Wira
Plymouth

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Civil rights issue

Although I am heterosexual, I am glad that the gay marriage bills were not passed, and I am disappointed with the views of our state representatives.

I recently had a chance to meet both Rep (John) Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, and Rep (Phil) LaJoy, R-Canton, in my Close Up class. When asked about his views on gay marriages,

Faithful servants

The accusations by the apparently prejudiced writer of "People so easily led" (*Observer*, March 4) are offensive, mischief-motivated, it seems, obviously in a great measure unjustified.

The truth certainly is that the imputed sexual abuses within the Catholic Church are greatly exaggerated by hostile to Christianity, especially to the Catholic Church, controlled mainstream

"We have to stay focused on our core mission, which is student achievement. We have a long range plan and a road map to keep our focus, irrespective of financial challenges."

- Plymouth-Canton school board member Judy Mardigian, on running for re-election

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Measure effectiveness of Proposal A before districts reach crisis

There's another way to measure the effectiveness of Proposal A than to look at the taxes you pay and the amount of money the state sends your school district under that funding mechanism

"Look at the activity of school bond loan funds," said a representative of the Chippewa Valley school district. "We're the poster child of bond funds. They're used to relieve the general fund."

"You can see that something is wrong with the infrastructure (of schools) The infrastructure is broke"

His comments came at a Friday morning conference of the Tri-County Alliance for Public Education, made up of districts from Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties. The conference marked the 10th anniversary of Proposal A and was designed to give the media a heads-up on its impact

I had just asked a question about whether "sinking funds" were an end run around districts being unable under Proposal A to ask voters for additional millage. Earlier in the week, Walled Lake Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Sandy Motz said her district may ask voters to approve a sinking fund

Motz explained that such funds take pressure off of general funds by allowing for roofing and paving. The funds are millages and, unlike bonds, do not require interest payments

Asked for a show of hands, most educators at the conference said they don't use sinking funds. But the educators generally agreed bond funds were common. In June 2003, Avondale passed a \$59 million bond issue, while Troy may ask voters in June for as much as \$99 million

But voters aren't always agreeable, and when new money isn't found, districts like Redford Union find they have to close schools or they can't buy new buses

That's the hardware. There are software issues, as well. Educators argued that the amount of state aid is not enough for districts to meet mandates such as No Child Left Behind

Furthermore, "Proposal A doesn't address regional issues" in which metropolitan costs are higher than outstate, said William Weber,



Educators lay blame for their problems at the funding mechanism behind Proposal A — reliance on the sales tax, which is suffering in the current economic climate.

superintendent of the South Redford school district. It has implications for such areas as competition for staff, he said

Marlene Davis, a former superintendent of Southfield schools, understands what Weber is talking about. Now as superintendent of the Regional Educational Service Agency, the intermediate school district for Wayne County, she sees districts that are "not nearly as affluent as Oakland County, but are asked to do the same work. We're looking down a gun barrel."

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One district particularly hard hit is Utica, whose superintendent, Joan Sergent, said it faced a deficit of \$10.5 million this year and is projecting a deficit of \$15 million next year

But the educators recognized that the climate was right for Proposal A's passage 10 years ago, and that it achieved its goals. Taxes were cut and capped. Oakland's average rate decreased 21.25 mills for homeowners and Wayne's average rate dropped by 28.32 mills, according to the Alliance's figures

And the gap between the high- and low-spending districts was somewhat narrowed

The question remains whether the climate is now right to take another look at Proposal A

"What we need to do is a better job of explaining to our communities" what the impact of Proposal A has been, Sergent told the group "You need to work with your legislators"

It's an apt topic for discussion before funds sink much further

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Priest speaks out on recent abuse allegation

I am writing to share with you some very, very sad news. What is the worst thing that can happen to a priest in the present church scandal environment? It has happened to me. I was accused of sexually abusing a minor 33 years ago in my first parish assignment.

I absolutely deny these charges and have been trying to prove my innocence for the past two months. Ever since the U.S. bishops set the zero tolerance policy formulated in Dallas, once a priest is accused and the investigation shows that the accusation is credible, the

priest is put on administrative leave and removed from his parish assignment. Note the word "credible" is defined as "possibly could have happened."

What angers me and many of my priest friends is that anyone anytime can make up an accusation and as long as it contains detailed information of the abuse and as long as there are no witnesses to definitively prove the action false the accusation is deemed credible

"It possibly could have happened." This is absolutely wrong and unjust. Every priest is a sitting duck. For years the bishops have hidden the sexual abuse problem in the church and have moved guilty priests around to hide the problem. Boston is a prime example. Now the pendulum has swung. Every little possibility and hint of wrongdoing is treated as guilty until proven innocent. What a far cry from our American system of justice.

Cardinal Maida has informed me that I will be put on administrative leave beginning the last weekend in February. Bishop Hurley will say Masses that week to say that my removal does not indicate that I am guilty, just that the accusation is credible

The case against me is prepared and sent to Rome for a final judgment. But you and I both know that when a priest is removed his good name is ruined. People who do not know me will believe what they read. I trust you and my friends will not. I did not do this.

The cases sent to Rome have been taking more than a year to complete. There are seven other priests waiting to hear their fate. A little bit of hope stems from the fact that Rome does not accept "credible" as good enough to

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remove a priest. Rome says it must be "morally certain." Absolutely true. There has already been one case sent by Cardinal Maida that has been overturned and the priest reinstated. My canon lawyer expects there to be more. I expect my case to be one of them.

In the meantime I must wait, probably a long time. I will leave the area for a month until the media is through dragging my name through the mud. Then I will come back to Canton and pack what I own and move to my home in Florida.

I am terribly sorry for the hurt this will cause our parish. Please remember it is not the fault of our parish. Don't take your anger out on the parish. It's not their fault. Don't withhold your financial support. St. Thomas a Becket is too good a parish to let anger divide it.

Welcome the new priest that comes in. Think of what a difficult job he has ahead of him. He probably can't even sing *Danny Boy* in the offpitch way I did. I am sorry I can't hug each and every one of you and say thanks for the wonderful 11 years. We have built much together. More than a church building. We have built a family. Stick together. You will always be a part of me. Thanks. I love you all.

The Rev. Richard Kelly issued this letter to his parish in February. Some parishioners asked the *Observer* to publish this letter.

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In the swim of things

Friends make a big splash in the aquarium fish business

WBY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
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If Nemo had found himself in one of the 120 tanks at the Fish Doctors of Canton, he probably wouldn't have been in such a hurry to get back to the ocean.

The now famous clown fish would have been in fine company at the store in the Golden Gate Plaza at Lilley and Joy roads. Nemo would have shared his world with a variety of salt and fresh-water fish, as well as creatures found in coral reefs.

And he would have had primo care at the hands of Fish Doctors' three owners, Marcus Zevalkink of Canton, Juan Yaksic of Westland and Tom Campbell of Ypsilanti.

"We're probably never going to be millionaires," said Zevalkink, who has been in the aquarium business for about 11 years. "But when we come to work we have fun."

Zevalkink and Yaksic met some six-seven years ago when they worked for Campbell at the Fish Doctors in Ypsilanti. Both wanted to open their own business and decided to join forces with Campbell.

June will mark the third anniversary for the Canton store. A third store is planned for Brighton. "We're doing a phenomenal business. We are just growing," Zevalkink said. "Business is pretty much common sense. We look at the needs. We did research. We looked at other stores. We know what our competition is."

The business philosophy the friends follow is simple: Treat your customers as you would treat your friends. And it seems to work. "Every one of my best friends is either a former Fish Doctor employee or a customer," said Yaksic, who was introduced to the fish world by



Marcus Zevalkink watches a crown trigger at his Fish Doctors of Canton store in the Golden Gate Plaza.

his biology teacher mother. "We had tanks all around the house."

A love of animals is what brought Yaksic into business. He started in pre-veterinary medicine at Michigan State University. Homesick, he decided to come home where he studied general biology at Eastern Michigan University. "I like the retail end of the business," Yaksic said.

Like Yaksic, Zevalkink got his interest in fish from his dad, Michael. "Our weekend thing was to go to local fish stores." He began at the University of Hawaii and when diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease returned home. He completed his degree in aquatic ecology at the University of Michigan and has been cancer-free for about six years.

"I always knew I would be working with fish," Zevalkink said. His resume includes stints at the Detroit Zoo and Tennessee Aquarium. "But in this type of atmosphere, I'm free to do what I want."

For the friends, fish are where it's at. As pets, they are the only creatures you can trade in - without your conscience bothering you. Meaning you can change the atmosphere of the tank by the type of fish you have.

"It keeps it dynamic," Zevalkink said.

Fish and watching them are relaxing. Their colors are beautiful. You're creating a natural environment in your house,

and there's so much information out there, how can you get tired of your pets? "You can bring a piece of the ocean back to your home," Zevalkink said.

The Canton store is 60-40 on saltwater fish. "They are more complicated as far as the breadth of information. You're dealing with fish that come out of the ocean."

Technology has helped people take care of both salt and fresh water fish, and the animals that live in coral reefs. The store offers a variety of aquarium products. Part of the business is also maintenance - they have approximately 200 accounts that take them to businesses, homes and restaurants to care for aquariums.

At the Canton store, most customers are families. Students make up the greatest customer portion at the Ypsilanti store. Interests in particular aquatic life differ between the two areas, as well.

Each week, the store gets orders of fish, some of which have been requested by customers. Though Zevalkink is a scuba diver, he doesn't bring the fish home with him. The farthest the pair has gone for fish is Metro Airport.

In their mid-20s, the friends have no intention of changing careers at this point. They are satisfied and having fun. "We pride ourselves on customer service. We give mom and pop attention," Yaksic said. "When you call, one of the owners is always here."

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Sidelines

Record-setter

Charlie Henry, the 5-foot-7 point guard for Canton Agape Christian's boys basketball team, got all sorts of good news at the Wolverines' season-ending banquet Tuesday.

Henry, who will join his father, Chuck — named Madonna's men's basketball coach — as a player for the Crusaders, was notified he has set a state record for free-throw percentage for a season. Henry converted 103-of-115 free throws, 89.6 percent of his tries, breaking the former mark of 89.1 percent.

Charlie was also named the most valuable player in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference after averaging 21.4 points and five assists per game. Joining him on the all-MIAC first team were Agape's Jordan Napier, who averaged 20 points and eight rebounds a game.

CCJBSA signup

The Canton Community Junior Baseball/Softball Association will have registration from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, March 27 in the Chestnut Room of the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Registration is open to boys and girls 4-18 years old who are residents of Canton or Plymouth, or who live in the PCCS school district. All registrants must show proof of residency and age at time of registration.

Fees range from \$75-\$110 for recreation leagues; travel teams' rates are higher.

For more information, call (734) 394-5489.

Lacrosse meeting

The Canton Warriors Lacrosse Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 24 in Room 305, Phase III at Canton HS. The meeting is open to all parents of those on the newly-formed 2004 team. Directions to all away games will be provided.

For more information, call Nina Smithpeters at (734) 981-3290.

Walking club

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will offer a new Walking Club beginning March 29. Everyday, on a drop-in basis, people will meet at the Plymouth Cultural Center (located at 525 Farmer) and walk a variety of routes mapped out by the Recreation Department, or they can blaze their own trail.

There are no fees or registrations involved. The morning start time is 9:30 a.m., the evening start time is 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call the city of Plymouth Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302.

Clarification

In the Sports Rail item on the Canton Cavaliers in last Sunday's Observer, one of the players was identified incorrectly. It was Daniel Stoney, who also won the seventh-grade three-shot tournament.



DONALD J. ALLEY

John Vigilante led the Whalers in goals scored with 30. He finished the season with 68 points and a plus-minus rating of plus-11.

PLEASE SEE WHALERS, B5

Kitchener 1st

Whalers open playoffs with reigning champs

Now, at last, a few myths regarding playoff sports can be either fortified or refuted. Truth or fiction — such adages as

■ Offense looks good, but defense prevails in the playoffs,

■ Home ice rules,

■ What you did during the regular season doesn't matter — all records are thrown out, everyone starts anew.

These are the kinds of things coaches throughout the Ontario Hockey League will be preaching for the next couple of weeks in an effort to inspire their players. And it may work, the opening round of the OHL playoffs is usually good for at least one upset.

Perhaps the best pairing in the OHL's first round is the Western Conference matchup between the Plymouth Whalers and the Kitchener Rangers. So many different angles to pursue: offense vs. defense, two evenly-matched teams (both with 76 points during the season), former coach going against his former team, perennial contender vs. defending Memorial Cup champ.

If you believe in defense over offense, then the Whalers have the edge. They ranked sixth in the OHL in goals allowed (204). The Rangers, on the other hand, are among the league's worst, only two other teams in the entire league gave up more goals, and they aren't in the playoffs.

"They have a fairly young, inexperienced defense that's going to make mistakes," noted Plymouth general manager/coach Mike Vellucci. It will be up to the Whalers to pounce on those mistakes.

That's where special teams could come into play, and the Whalers excel on the power play and penalty kill, ranking among the league's best in both. "Special teams are a big thing in the playoffs," said Vellucci.

A major part of Plymouth's special teams is team captain James Wisniewski. The Canton native has developed into one of the OHL's premier defensemen, last week, he was named the league's top offensive defenseman and the defenseman with the top shot.

The World Junior Tournament and some injuries limited Wisniewski to 50 games this season, and yet he still has 17 goals and 53 assists. He's also among the league leaders in plus-minus with a plus-31 rat-

Henry fills Madonna hoop spot

For everyone involved, the feelings regarding the transition in Madonna University's men's basketball position were mixed, but not unhappy.

Bernie Holowicki, the long-time Lavonia resident and former Redford Catholic Central coach who guided the Madonna men's team for the past nine seasons, suffered a stroke on Feb. 15 which ultimately convinced him it was time to give up coaching full-time.

His successor has already been chosen: Chuck Henry, former coach at Wayne Memorial who coached at Canton Agape Christian for the past four years.

Even after Holowicki suffered his stroke, his retirement was no sure thing. "The first thing he said to me after he had his stroke was, 'I'm coming back,'" recalled Madonna athletic director Bryan Rizzo. "But after he got home, he told me, 'I don't think I'm going to do this anymore.'"

Rizzo said Holowicki, now 72, had thought about retirement but had not said anything definite about it — until last week. Once Holowicki had made his decision, the person he wanted to replace him was Henry, his long-time friend.

"Bernie recommended him," Rizzo noted. Other candidates were considered for the job, but Henry was the No. 1 choice. "I talked to several people who knew Chuck," he said. Among them were current Madonna coaches Marylou Jansen (women's basketball) and Jerry Abraham (volleyball). "He was highly-recommended."

For the 54-year-old Henry, the timing could not be better. His son Charlie, a standout point guard at Canton Agape, has already committed to play at Madonna, and his daughter Amy just completed her freshman season with the Crusaders' women's basketball team.

PLEASE SEE HENRY, B5

Home ice is lost with loss to Windsor

One short

The Plymouth Whalers followed a disappointing loss to Kitchener Friday night with an encouraging 5-1 victory at Erie Saturday. That left them one victory away from clinching home-ice advantage against the Rangers in their opening-round series in the Ontario Hockey League playoffs.

Unfortunately, Sunday's game against Windsor meant even more to the Spitfires, who were trying to clinch the eighth, and final, playoff position. And they played like it, with David Bowman, Darryl Lloyd and Brett Lascomb scoring two goals apiece in a 6-2 Windsor triumph at Plymouth's Compuware Arena.

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The outcome meant the Whalers finished 32-24-9-3, second in the OHL's West Division with 76 points. Kitchener ended at 34-26-6-2, third in the Midwest Division, also with 76 points, however, the Rangers got the higher seed because they won the first tie-breaker (most wins).

Playing their third game in as many days, the Whalers started Sunday's matinee match against Windsor well enough. A goal by John Mitchell at 13:23 of the first period offset one by the Spitfires' Lloyd, tying the game at 1-1. James Wisniewski and

Nick Vernelli assisted on Mitchell's score.

After that, however, Plymouth's legs gave out. Windsor got second-period goals from Bowman and Lascomb, then Bowman and Lloyd scored in the third before the Whalers' Wisniewski got his 17th of the season on the power play at 14:57 of the third (from John Vigilante and Mitchell).

Paul Drew played the first 50 minutes of the game in goal for the Whalers, but wasn't very effective, allowing five goals. Ryan Nie played the last 10 minutes. Matt Anthony had 20 saves in goal for Windsor.

On Saturday at Erie, Mitchell and Ryan Ramsay

each scored twice to lead the Whalers to their 5-1 triumph.

Both of Ramsay's goals — giving him 29 for the season — came in the first period as Plymouth opened up a 3-0 lead. Wisniewski assisted on his first at 4:27, Mitchell followed with a goal at 17:10 (from Gino Pisellini), then after a goal by Erie's Geoff Platt made it 2-1, Ramsay scored again to make it 3-1 (from Tim Sestito).

Third-period goals by Mitchell (from Ramsay) and Vaclav Meidl capped the Whaler scoring.

Drew stopped 23 of 24 shots on goal in the game. Josh Disher had 16 saves for the Otters.

CC icers finish in unfamiliar spot - 2nd

A funny thing happened on the way to Redford Catholic Central's sixth-straight hockey state title.

Marquette. The Redmen used a solid defensive scheme, a red-hot goaltender and a timely goal in a wild third period to shut down the Shamrocks, 3-2, clinching their first state title since 1995 and forcing CC into the unfamiliar role of being on the outside looking in.

"This has been unbelievable, I'm at a loss for words," Marquette coach Mike L'Huller said after his team ended its season at 21-5-3 and avenged a loss to CC in the 2002 final. "CC was the best team we've seen all year. We haven't faced anyone as good as them."

But CC (20-7-3) had The Shamrocks didn't breeze through the tournament as they had in years past — with three one-goal wins in their previous five tournament games.

"No disrespect to Redford Unified (a 10-1 CC win), but we played five tough games in 10 nights," CC coach Todd Johnson said. "This was a game between two tough teams. We didn't get the breaks tonight."

Marquette's winning goal came in a similar fashion as CC's regional final win over Birmingham — capitalizing on a late penalty, or in this case two.

With CC's Dan Barczuk off for holding, Mychael Evans was called for tripping with



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CC's Mychael Evans (8) is upended by Marquette's Phil Chartier and Eric Elmlad (15).

5:58 left in the period. The Shamrocks were able to kill off Barczuk's penalty, but struggled to clear the puck out of its zone on the five-on-four.

Curt Aho took advantage of it as he fired

the puck at CC goalie Andrew Godoshian just inside the faceoff dot to Godoshian's right. The puck went between his leg pad and below his outstretched arm and into the net, giving the Redmen a 3-2 lead.

7-time defending Class B champ Marysville knocks out Ladywood

The trip to Armada actually took longer than the match. That's what Livonia Ladywood was resigned to Tuesday night in its Class B girls quarterfinal volleyball match with seven-time defending state champion Marysville.

The Blazers had a slippery drive to the upper reaches of Macomb County, not to mention rough sledding on the court as Marysville posted a 15-2, 15-12 triumph.

Ladywood bows out at 43-17 overall, while Marysville moves into the state semifinals Friday at University Arena in Kalamazoo against Otsego with a 55-2-1 record.

The Blazers never could recover from an 8-0 Marysville run to start the first game. But in the second game, Ladywood jumped out to a 7-0 advantage, only to have the Vikings return the favor with seven straight points.

Danielle Palasak, a 6-foot senior who led the Blazers

with eight kills, gave her team a 12-11 advantage in the second game, but Marysville rallied to close out the match on a pair of kills by 6-foot senior Laura Schultz, who finished with seven on the night.

"Our seniors never went this far and to see a team of this caliber it was an eye opener," Ladywood assistant coach Kirk Craggs said. "Marysville plays with great ball control and they play great defense. They get a lot of touches."

"We had to attack them instead of laying back and letting them attack us."

Ashley Schlinkert, a 5-10 sophomore, paced Marysville, whose only two losses this year are to defending state Class A champ Fraser, with eight kills.

Junior setter Stephanie Booms had 22 assist-to-kills, 11 digs and three blocks. She also served seven points.

Schultz, headed to Saginaw Valley State, served 12 points and had three blocks. Kristin Smith, a 5-7 junior, added five kills.

Courtney Phillips, a 5-10 senior, added five kills for the Blazers, while senior setter Amy Szymanski finished with 16 assists.

"We had never seen them in person, but we knew they were a team that could make a run," said 20th-year Marysville coach John Knuth of Ladywood.

"It did not surprise me that they could come back because they have some dominating players. Palasak is explosive and they have others to complement her."

The Blazers, who used three freshmen in the lineup extensively, graduate four seniors including Palasak, Phillips, Szymanski and Kristin Kummer.

"Our four seniors have done a great job of bringing our freshmen along," Craggs said. "The seniors stepped up in the second game. Danielle swung better and we passed better, something we were used to seeing in this team."

Churchill succumbs to Chelsea comeback run in regional final

Livonia Churchill girls volleyball coach Mark Grenier tried everything with the Class A regional title at stake.

He called three timeouts, subbed in different players and looked for the right combination to stem the tide, but nothing worked as he helplessly watched Chelsea's Megan Korc serve 14 straight points to erase a 14-2 deficit in the first game of the match to give the host Bulldogs a 16-14 victory.

Ironically, there were no run of points in the second game, but the damage had been done as Chelsea carried its momentum into the second game and closed out the match with a 15-13 triumph.

Churchill, which upended Westland John Glenn in one semifinal, 15-9, 15-2, ended its season at 50-8-2 overall. Chelsea, which ousted Livonia Stevenson in the other semifinal, 15-9, 15-5, moved into Tuesday's quarterfinal against Temperance Bedford with a 41-14-2 mark.

During Korc's string of 14, Churchill couldn't get a side-out to save its life.

"That hasn't happened too often, but it probably won't ever again if we go to rally scoring (next year)," said Grenier, who has coached 13 years in the Churchill program with this being his first as varsity head coach. "We did not play well against John Glenn. It wasn't our day. And what a day not to be our day. But Chelsea played quite well. Give them credit. We played hard, but didn't put it together." Lindsay Tye, a 5-10 senior

headed to Ferris State, was Chelsea's top attacker with 10 kills.

The Bulldogs also had five other players register kills in the second game to Churchill's three.

With the score tied at 13-11, Chelsea closed out the match on a block by Lindsay Parker followed by an ace serve from Tye.

"We got the momentum (in the first game) and rolled with that," Chelsea coach Laura Cleveland said. "That run was characteristic of our team to come back from way down. We did it against Adrian in the district. We didn't tighten up. Our leaders didn't panic and our setter stayed confident. With a win like that, it gives you more confidence going into the second round."

Churchill's top hitter, junior Kelsey Mack, had seven kills in the second game, but only one in the first against Chelsea. Senior Jacqui Gatt had five kills, while Jenna Kirby added four.

Against Glenn, Churchill struggled in the opening game, trailing 8-7 before closing out the match as Mack had 10 kills and five aces. Gatt added eight kills, while Kirby finished with six.

Setter Kristyna Archer finished 12 assists against Glenn and recorded 16 against Chelsea (Gatt had a total of 18 digs in the two matches).

Glenn, bowing out with a 32-18-5 record, got four kills each from sophomore Jennifer Swartz and senior Catlin Colwell.

"Blocking kept us in it the first game (vs Churchill)," Glenn third-year coach Ron Ruppel said. "We went with a 6-2 (lineup) to put a bigger block on Mack and Gatt. Because of the caliber of hitters they have on the outside, it was going to be a quick death for us if we didn't try and block them. They made some hitting errors and it slowed them down a little bit."

Glenn loses just two seniors, Colwell and Rebecca Oros.

"We made some huge steps this year," Ruppel said. "We hadn't had a winning record in awhile. We're going to be excited around Glenn the next few years with the team of underclassman we have."

Stevenson (28-15-7) never got going against Chelsea in the first match of the day as Tye finished with 12 kills and 6-foot senior Renee Johnson added seven.

"It was a bad day for us, we were battling ourselves," Stevenson coach Kelly Graham said. "We lost the first seven points all on serve receive. We couldn't get any momentum. We tried and we didn't give up, we just had an off-night. I'm disappointed, but we stayed in it the best we could."

Kaitlin Armstrong had five kills for the Spartans, who trailed 5-0 and 8-2 in the first game. Stevenson got to within 7-5 in the second game, only to succumb to Chelsea's consistent play, led by Tye.

"On the strong side she (Tye) just crushed the ball," Graham said.

KVBSA MEETING

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Blazers end drought

Livonia Ladywood coach Ern Craggs knew her team had to get by host Pontiac Notre Dame Prep if it was going to win Saturday's Class B girls volleyball regional.

The Blazers did just that, surviving a tough match with the Fighting Irish, 15-13, 10-15, 15-13, before routing Riverview for the championship, 15-1, 15-3, to earn its first regional title since 1998.

"We came out flat the second game against Notre Dame Prep," said Craggs, whose team improved to 43-16 overall. "We got way down, but we were able to come back and gain momentum. We knew that would be the final match."

Riverview ousted Royal Oak Dondero in the other semifinal, 15-9, 15-3, to earn the right to

play the Blazers.

Danielle Palasak, a 6-foot senior, was Ladywood's top hitter on the day with 28 kills. Courtney Phillips, a 5-10 senior, added 14.

Laura Schroeter, a 5-6 freshman defensive specialist, served five aces and had a team-high 27 digs. Senior setter Amy Szymanski also served five aces and had 54 assist-to-kills.

"Since we played in the Catholic League playoffs we've been emphasizing our passing to we're able to use our hitters in the middle," Craggs said. "Our younger kids have improved their game. We're playing three freshmen (including Schroeter, Lauren Boehmer and Ern Henneberger) 90 percent of the time."

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Strong pitching gives Crusaders hope

Officially, the season started for Madonna University's softball team on Feb. 27 with its spring trip to Fort Myers, Fla. Coach Al White knew what he had — the nucleus of a solid team.

However, he had to replace his pitching staff from a year ago. Jennifer Tenyer (16-8, 2.09 earned run average) and Sarah Golob (14-7, 2.77 ERA) were both gone.

That left a big question mark. "We had all our position players back," said White. "Our pitching was the question."

By March 4, it was a question no longer. That's how successful Madonna's spring trip was.

The Crusaders have played 18 games thus far this season. They have a 13-4-1 record. Even better, their team ERA is 2.94, opponents are batting a meager .229 against them, and they have surrendered 109 hits and 38 walks in 125 1/3 innings.

The performances of junior Kelly Nilson and freshman Shannon Noder have made White a happy coach — one who believes this team could enjoy an extended season.

Nilson is 8-2 with a 2.85 ERA, in 60 innings, she's allowed 19 earned runs on 55 hits and seven walks, with 51 strikeouts. Noder is 3-2 with a 2.90 ERA, in 40 1/3 innings, she's given up 13 earned runs on 35 hits and 20 walks, with 21 strikeouts.

"The biggest problem (with Noder) is

her walks," said White. "Once she gets that solved, she'll be fine."

There's not much else for White to be overly concerned about. Last year, the Crusaders were 31-15, thanks to the solid every-day play of Krystle Shina (.391, three home runs, 36 runs batted in), Arn Fowler (.339, nine doubles, 21 RBI), Mary Warchuck (.338, three homers, 12 RBI), Emily Cunningham (.314, 14 RBI), Jamie Bobrowski (.292, 10 doubles, six homers, 30 RBI), and Kathy Day (.262, 28 runs scored, 16 RBI).

They're all back, one reason the team batting average is .337. Bobrowski, a senior who plays right field, leads the way with a .387 average, four homers and 20 RBI. Cunningham, a senior shortstop, is hitting .344 and leads the team with 18 runs scored. Shina, a junior first baseman (from Farmington Mercy), is batting .328 with a home run and 14 RBI.

In fact, there doesn't appear to be a weak link offensively in the lineup. Warchuck, the junior left-fielder, is batting .250 with eight RBI, and Day, the junior third baseman (from Livonia Ladywood), is hitting .259 with seven RBI. Then there's Crystal Little, the sophomore center fielder (from Wayne Memorial) who played sparingly last season but is making an impact this year with a .278 batting average and eight RBI.

Arn Fowler, Madonna's senior catcher, has yet to make an error and is hitting

.278 with four RBI. Only sophomore second baseman Stacey Sexsmith (.139, three RBI) is not hitting particularly well.

"If our pitching can give us a chance to win, if they can keep us in the game, then I think we have the hitters to get us a win," said White.

The Crusaders have proven that to be true. Only twice have they given up more than four runs in a game, and one of those they won by an 11-9 score (over Urbana University). They've been shutout once (2-0 by Mercyhurst) and been limited to two or fewer runs just two other times.

"The difference between a good team and a great team isn't that much," said White. "It's just a matter of getting that big hit, making that key play when you need it."

Is this team in that category? The confidence is there. "The girls never think they can get beat. There's no (pitcher) they can't get to — that's the way they feel."

If the pitching holds up, Madonna's defense is good enough and the hitting is potent. Which means it could be a long season for the Crusaders. Or as White explained:

"We're hosting a high school tournament on this certain weekend, and I think I'm going to have to find someone to work it for me."

Why? "Because we'll be going to (NAIA) Nationals in Alabama."

Consistency continues to evade Madonna

Good start, not so good finish.

Madonna University's baseball team opened the weekend with a promising 8-7 victory over host Spalding University last Friday in Lexington, Ky., then the Crusaders split a double-header with Indiana Southeast on Saturday in New Albany, Ind., bringing their record to 11-8.

Sunday, however, was not so good. Two more games at Spalding resulted in a pair of one-run losses, 4-3 and 6-5. Madonna is now 11-10 overall, Spalding is 17-9, Indiana Southeast is just 2-15.

In Sunday's two losses, the Crusaders' bullpen failed as leads were blown in the late innings. In the 4-3 loss in the opener, Madonna led 3-1 going into the bottom of the sixth inning, but surrendered one run in the sixth and two more in the seventh.

Doug Brooks started and took the loss for the Crusaders, allowing four earned runs on eight hits and a walk with three strikeouts in 6 1/3 innings. Brooks was relieved by Kyle Fedorka with two on and one out in the seventh.

After intentionally walking Joey Vincent to load the bases, Fedorka hit Jeremy Austin and surrendered the tying run and surrendered the game-winning single to Cory Turchan.

Joe Greene had a two-run home run for Madonna in the fourth and Jason Barbeau got two hits.

In the second game, Madonna led 5-3 going into the bottom of the seventh thanks to a three-run rally in the top half of the inning, but

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again let it slip away as Spalding got the game-winning run in the eighth on a walk, a fielder's choice, a sacrifice bunt and a wild pitch. Scott Miller took the loss in relief of Jeff Savage.

Kevin Zerbo (Farmington Harrison) had two hits and drove in three runs, and Greene had another home run for Madonna.

On Saturday, the Crusaders lost 7-4 in their first game against Indiana Southeast before getting a 7-4 win in the nightcap. Dan Duffey took the loss in the opener, allowing six runs (three earned) on five hits and one walk in three innings. Barbeau and Tony Kern each had two hits to lead the offense, Barbeau driving in a run.

In Madonna's 7-4 win, Adam Kline pitched four shaky innings but managed to get the pitching win, allowing four runs (three earned) on five hits and three walks. Kern had two hits, and Greene and Preston Picard (Farmington) each had a hit and two RBI.

Madonna opened the weekend with an 8-7 win at Spalding Friday. Picard had a solo home run for the Crusaders, with Justin Fabian getting two hits and two RBI, and Kellen Fry collecting a two-run double.

Derek Dufrane worked 6 2/3 innings, giving up seven runs (one earned) on nine hits and a walk, with three strikeouts, to earn the pitching win. He is 3-0.

MU softball gains 4 wins on road trip

The second trip of the season for Madonna University's softball squad was equally as successful — the Crusaders posted a 4-1 record in Portsmouth, Ohio last weekend, with a 7-3 win over Notre Dame College Friday, an 11-9 victory over Urbana University and a 4-3 triumph over St. Vincent on Saturday, then a split on Sunday, with a 7-6 loss to Spalding and

a 5-2 win over Shawnee State. Madonna improved to 13-4-1 overall. In Sunday's win over Shawnee State, Kelly Nilson tossed a seven-hitter, allowing two earned runs and two walks, with seven strikeouts. Nilson was 4-0 for the weekend.

Krystle Shina collected three hits and a run batted in and Mary Warchuck had a hit and two RBI.

The win came after the Crusaders blew a 6-0 lead in the bottom of the seventh and lost to Spalding University, 7-6.

Shannon Noder took the pitching loss, allowing seven runs (one earned) on eight hits and three walks.

Shina had two hits and three RBI and Crystal Little (from Wayne Memorial) had two hits and an RBI for Madonna.

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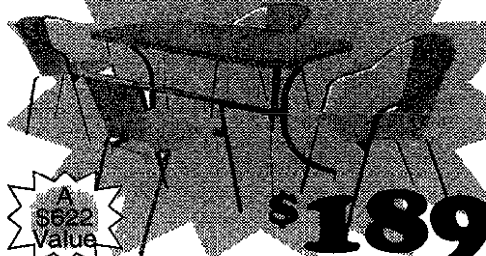


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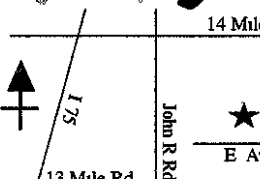
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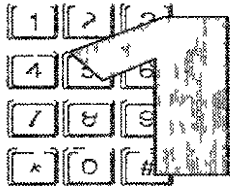
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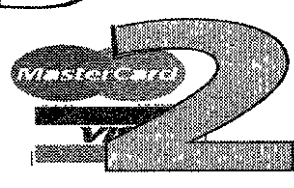
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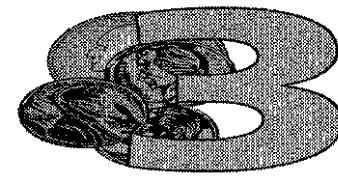
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John Mitchell played in 65 games for the Whalers and led them in both scoring with 82 points and assists with 54

WHALERS

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ing "Obviously he's a big part of our power play," said Vellucci "Other teams key on him and try and stop him"

Kitchener has its own offensive threat in its defensive ranks Andre Benoit, who has scored 24 goals and assisted on 51 others for 75 points His plus-minus rating is plus-30

"He's one of the best offensive defensemen in the league," said Vellucci

What the Rangers don't have is a proven goalie — and nine times out of 10, that's the single player who makes the biggest impact The Whalers have the edge here with all-star goalie Paul Drew He has playoff experience, he's played the big games before, and he ranked 15th in the OHL among goalies in goals-against average at 2.93, he was tied for seventh in save percentage (.914), and he had a 22-17-3 record

The Rangers counter with

either Carlo DiRienzo or Brad Topping Neither was ranked among the OHL's top 20 goalies DiRienzo got the most playing time (42 games), he had a 3.27 goals-against average and a .894 save percentage, with an 18-15-4 record

One thing worth noting about both team's goalies Neither Drew nor DiRienzo had a shutout this season

If it does come down to a scoring fest, Kitchener has the advantage The Rangers ranked third in the OHL in goals scored with 254, the Whalers were tied for sixth with 220

Nine players scored 38 or more points for Kitchener (Plymouth had six), led by Michael Richards (36 goals, 53 assists, 89 points), Petr Kanko (26 goals, 42 assists, 68 points) and Nathan O'Nabigon (31 goals, 20 assists, 51 points)

Key players to watch for Plymouth are forwards John Vigilante (30 goals, 38 assists, 68 points), Ryan Ramsay (29 goals, 48 assists, 77 points), John Mitchell (28 goals, 54 assists, 82 points)

and Jonas Fiedler (18 goals, 28 assists, 46 points)

As for home ice advantage, well, it's true Kitchener has the upper hand there The Rangers will host four games in the best-of-seven series, also, in their four meetings this season, each side won twice on their home ice Plymouth prevailed 4-3 and 7-4 at Compuware, Kitchener won 10-4 and 3-1 at their arena

But, as Vellucci pointed out in last year's best-of-seven series, "we won twice on their ice and they won twice on our ice"

Convincing a team it can beat anyone in the playoffs after a mediocre regular season is the mark of a good OHL coach

Peter DeBoer, who coached the Whalers before taking over at Kitchener two years ago, did just that last year when he guided the Rangers to the OHL title and captured the Memorial Cup

His team isn't as strong defensively this season, but don't count the Rangers out in the playoffs, anything can happen

HENRY

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"I always wanted to coach college basketball," Henry said "To me it's a dream come true

Bernes done a great job getting the right kind of kid over here He got the program going in the right direction

If Holowicki started the process, it will be up to the 54-year-old Henry to take it to the next level Madonna has never enjoyed a winning season, its best record was in 2002-03, when it went 14-16 The Crusaders were 10-19 last season

"The most important thing is to continue what coach Holowicki did and develop young men," said Rizzo "That's what attracted me to Chuck — he's that type of guy

"But we also want him to

take us to the next level Bernie made us competitive at the conference level, now we want to be competitive at the national level"

Although he's never coached collegiately, Henry is confident he can handle it So is Rizzo

"As far as X's and O's, he's sound," the Madonna athletic director said

"The key at this level is recruiting Chuck has so many contacts at the high-school level, and he's such a genuinely good guy

"He can handle it"

Henry has certainly proven himself capable at the prep level At Wayne, he posted a 427-179 won-loss record, which included 11 league titles, seven district championships, three regional crowns, and two trips to the Class A Final Four

"The first thing I'm doing is assessing the talent that's there," Henry said "That starts

the process The personnel dictates the offensive game

"I'm a firm believer in man-to-man defense"

Henry knows the best way to improve the team is to upgrade the talent He has already been evaluating what Madonna has, improving the level of play in the post area is the No. 1 need, Henry feels

Any players who can help, either at the junior college or high school level, will be considered

If all this means more work around the court, Henry won't mind "When the high school season used to come to an end in March, I'd mope around the house for a couple of weeks until my wife got me to snap out of it," he said "Now, with recruiting all the time, I can't do that

"There's no time off" And that makes Chuck Henry very happy

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

High School gym Three hours of baseball instruction from the Salem varsity players and coaches, for players ages 7-15, is included

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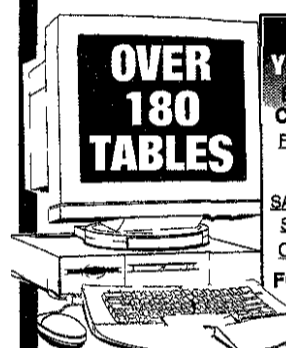
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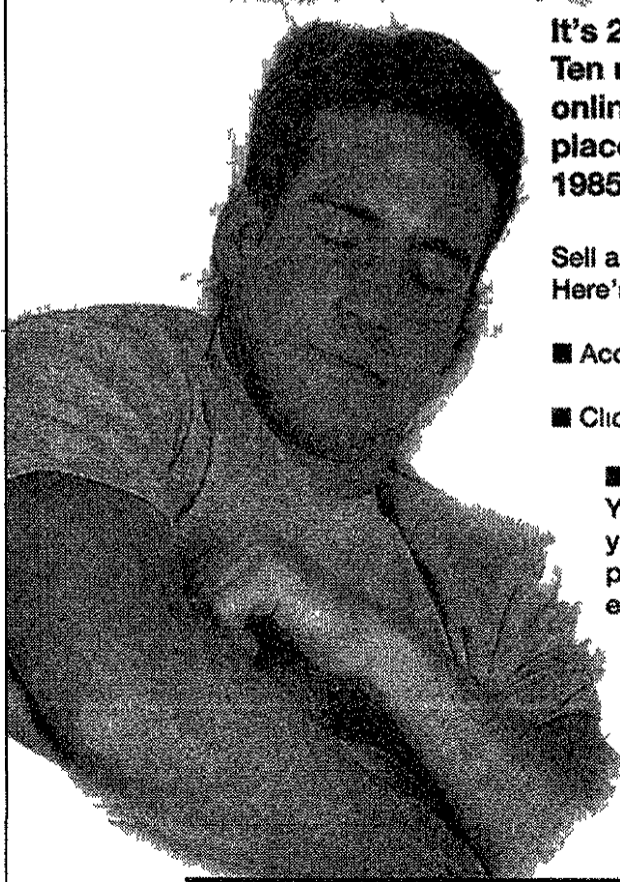
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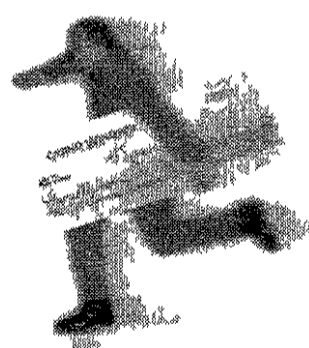
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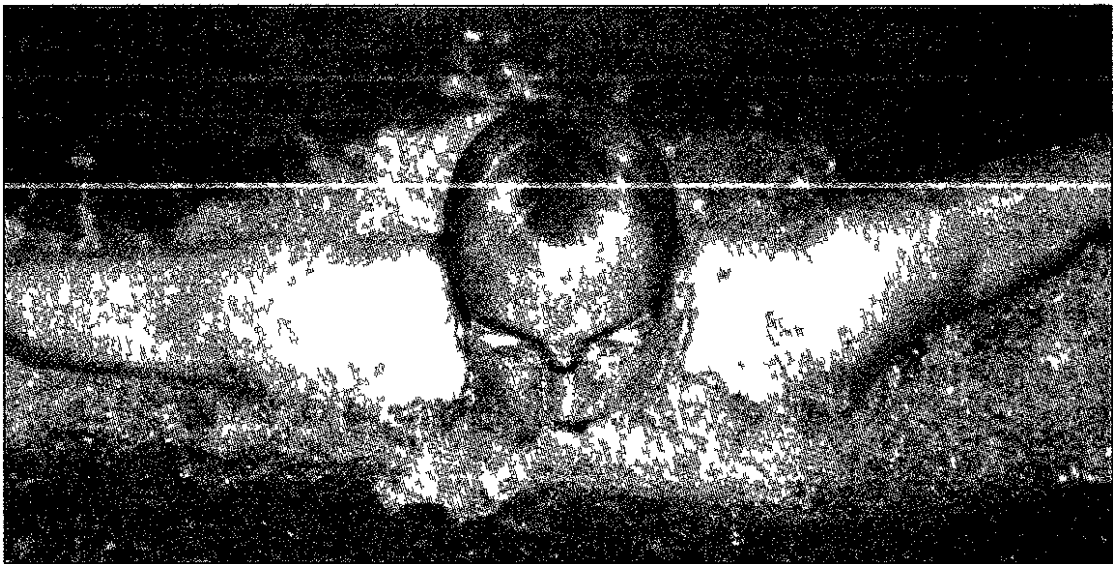
CASINO WINDSOR

Salem swimmers excel at state finals

For Canton, it might have been better. For Livonia Stevenson, it probably should've been better. For Salem, the Division I State Swim Finals Saturday at University of Michigan could not have been much better. The season had not gone well for the Rocks. They lost dual meets to both Canton and Stevenson, then they saw their 11-year reign as the top power in the Western Lakes Activities Association come to a close. All they had left for redemption was the state meet. But what could a team that finished fourth in its conference possibly hope to accomplish against the state's best swimmers? Plenty, as it turned out. Salem scored 43 points, more than any other WLAA team, and finished 14th in the team standings. Canton scored 14 and tied for 31st. "We wanted to go to state and do the best we could," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "And I thought we did. It was a pretty good effort for this group. These guys sure did everything they hoped they'd do at state." Leading the way for the Rocks was junior Nick Dixon,

who scored in two individual events and was on two of Salem's three relays, all of which scored points. Dixon was targeting the 200-yard individual medley as the event he wanted to excel in, and he came through, placing fourth in 1:57.36. He did his best time of the season in Friday's preliminaries: 1:56.99. "The IM was his main focus," said Olson. "He'd gone the 500 (freestyle) as a freshman and a sophomore, and he was in the finals last year (in the 500). This year he thought he'd just like to try something different." So instead of the 500 free, Dixon chose the 100 backstroke as his second individual event. "We thought the backstroke would be good, he could go in there and give it a good attempt," said Olson. "It worked out. We were happy with his back — we were pretty pleased all the way around." With good reason, Dixon went 53.67 in the prelims in the 100 back, then finished seventh in the state in the finals in 53.85. He also scored points in the 200 medley relay, combining with Matt Jurcak, Casey Johnson and Mike Higgs to place 12th in 1:42.61, and in

the 400 free relay, teaming with Jurcak, Penn Chou and Higgs to finish 16th in 3:19.81. Salem's 200 freestyle relay of Higgs, Chou, Nick White and Jurcak also put points on the board, taking 15th in 1:31.22 after clocking 1:30.80 in the prelims. Jurcak, who was part of all three relays, finished 26th in the 100 back in 57.33. Canton had several qualifiers but only one scorer: Joe Le, who narrowly missed scoring in the 50 freestyle — he qualified 17th, 0.2 out of the top 16 — placed fifth in the 100 free in 48.05 (he went 47.99 in the prelims). Despite the lack of scorers, Chiefs' coach Ed Weber was hardly disappointed. "Everybody we had who qualified moved up a spot or two,"



Salem's Nick Dixon finished fourth in the 200-yard individual medley and was seventh in the 100 backstroke at the Division One State Finals.

he said. "They all swam faster, and you can't ask for more than that." In the Division II Swim Finals at Eastern Michigan Saturday, Plymouth's Andrew Kmsety also placed 20th in the 100 breaststroke in 1:03.44. The end result for Salem certainly met with Olson's approval. "Not that it was a bad season, by any means," he said. "But it was a bit different. They did what they could do. Things proved out in the end."

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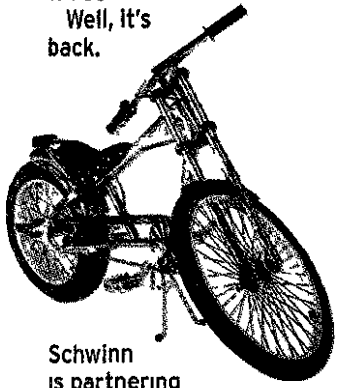
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WRIGHT TO THE POINT



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Frank Lloyd Wright designed geometric wooden tables and chairs, which allow for simple versatile changes inside the home of Melvin Maxwell Smith.

Smith House unfolded architect's plans

BY NORMAN PRADY
CORRESPONDENT

Melvin Maxwell and Sara Smith were Detroit school teachers and said to be ordinary, everyday, middle-class Americans.

And they dreamed the Great American Dream of someday owning their own home.

At the same time, there was a man dreaming about houses that ordinary, every-

day, middle-class Americans could afford. He was Frank Lloyd Wright.

USONIAN DESIGN

Wright even had a name for these houses that he was designing: Usonian, described as "a modified acronym for 'United States of North America,'" according to a report by David Jameson of Arch/Tech Gallery in Chicago. "That 'Usonian' was

an alliterative cousin to 'utopian' could only enhance its marketing appeal."

The Smiths' dream and Wright's dream eventually would fuse on a Bloomfield Hills lot on Ponvalley Road near Lone Pine and Lahser roads.

There, in 1950, with Wright's blueprints for the house he and Sara would call Myhaven and with his own

PLEASE SEE WRIGHT, C3



The Smith House in Bloomfield Hills allowed for Wright to design a Usonian House – a home that was designed to be cost-effective and informal for the homeowners.

What: 'Modest to Mansion' Frank Lloyd Wright in Detroit offers an in-depth exploration of Frank Lloyd Wright's residences in the Detroit area specifically Oakland and Wayne counties. Wright designed the Affleck and Smith houses in Bloomfield Hills, Snowflake and Goddard houses in Plymouth

and the Turkel House in Detroit. They show what can be attained through a homeowner and an architect's joint vision. The exhibit is open through April 4. **Where:** The Cranbrook Art Museum is located at 39221 Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. **Hours:** The museum is open

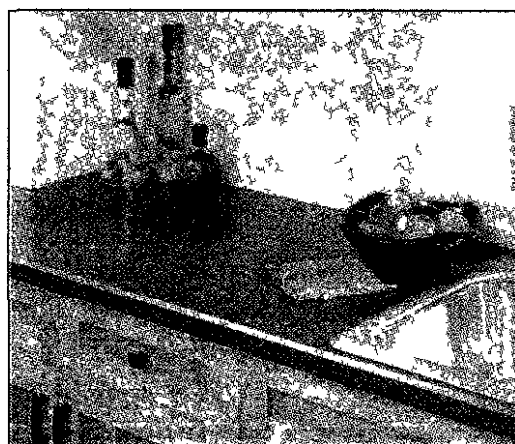
from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday. **Admission:** \$6 adults, students 13 and older and senior citizens \$4, children 12 and younger, free. Other Wright houses in the metro area include two in Plymouth and one in Detroit. Read about them at www.cranbrook.edu/art.

To find out more about the Frank Lloyd Wright exhibition 'Modest to Mansion' Frank Lloyd Wright in Detroit, call the Cranbrook Art Museum office at (248) 645-3323 for recorded information or visit www.cranbrook.edu/art/museum.

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, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.



Leaning toward laminate

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the mess within the home. The average laminate countertop can be constructed and installed for less than \$1,000, according to Home Depot, which retails Wilsonart laminate. And Wilsonart's 200-plus patterns – which include designs that replicate solid surface, granite, engineered stone, concrete, metallic looks and hardwood – provide consumers with a treasure trove of options. Shown here is Wilsonart's Smoky Topaz with a Kalahari Topaz backsplash. The Topaz Collection consists of eight patterns that replicate engineered stone. For more information about Wilsonart products, call the customer service hotline at (800) 433-3222, or visit www.wilsonart.com.

Microwaved water can erupt

Ideas for columns come from many places. My favorites are the questions from readers. One day while I was at the home improvement store, I conversed with a store associate and a customer about where she could find a tester that checks for leaking microwaves around the door of the microwave oven. The conversation got me thinking about microwave safety in general.

Microwaves are a form of electromagnetic radiation. This radiation is present in nature and ranges from x-rays, which are quite energetic, to radio frequency waves used in broadcasting. Microwaves are in the radio frequency band, far less powerful than x-rays. Microwave radiation is produced by a "magnetron" inside the oven. It bounces around inside the case until it is absorbed by food. Microwaves cause the molecules of the food to rapidly vibrate, producing the heat that cooks the food. Microwave energy is converted to heat energy as soon as it is absorbed by food. It cannot make food radioactive. All microwave ovens built after 1971 are limited to the

'In my research about microwaves, I learned about erupted hot water phenomena. This results when water is heated in a clean cup to a temperature past boiling without appearing to boil.'

amount of microwave radiation that can leak to 5 milliwatts per square centimeter, measured at 2 inches from the oven surface. The US Food and Drug Administration enforces this standard. The 5 milliwatts is well below the level that is known to harm humans. Further, the level of radiation reaching a person falls off considerably as you move away from the oven. The amount of radiation reaching a person at 20 inches away is about one one-hundredth that at 2 inches. It's well known that high levels of microwave radiation can affect the human body. Microwaves will heat the body just as they do foods causing severe burns. The lenses of your eyes are very sensitive to heat so microwaves have the potential to cause cataracts.

There is little danger of excessive microwaves leaking from your oven unless there has been damage to the door, hinges, latch or seals of your microwave was made before 1971. The testing devices being sold to consumers are relatively inaccurate. It is best to have qualified service personnel with professional equipment test your oven. In my research about microwaves, I learned about erupted hot water phenomena. This results when water is heated in a clean cup to a temperature past boiling without appearing to boil. Any disturbance, such as moving the cup or putting something in the water, such as instant coffee, can cause the super-heated water to erupt from the cup. Though I didn't find anything on how often this incident occurs, it would be very wise to watch the manufacturer's suggested times for heating water. Adding instant coffee or tea bags (without the small staple) in the water before heating helps prevent erupted hot water phenomena. Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident. Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.

Items left at house add to clutter

Could you please help me with this problem? Things that do not belong to me create messes in my house. People visit us when we entertain and leave their umbrella, books, gloves, serving dishes, toys and other items. All of these items end up in the way. They are usually on my counter as a reminder to give or return to someone.



Domestic Planner
Diana Koenig

This is a problem that plagues us all. Often, people visit our homes and leave their possessions which means items rotate in and out of our houses. You collect umbrellas, silverware, jackets, gloves, books, watches and numerous other items. You need a system to return these items to their appropriate owner. A workable system will prevent these items from cluttering your counters. Another related problem is remembering to return borrowed items. If a friend loans us a good book and we want to remember to return it to her as soon as possible, we need an appropriate place for the book. We ask the question "Where do we put the book until we can return it?" A similar predicament occurs

with gifts we buy for people. Bargain shopping is a fantastic way to buy gifts ahead of time, but then we need a place to store the gifts. Leaving the gifts out on the counters is not an option. Cramming them in a closet could make it difficult to access them or remember they are there. We continually face the problem of temporary items in our house. A solution to this dilemma is to create 'rotating shelves'.

ROTATING SHELVES

Create two empty shelves in your house. Choose a location you look at often. 'Rotating shelves' are essential to keeping you organized. Choose two empty shelves in your house. If you do not have empty shelves, you may need to create them by moving items around. Mine are in my hall closet. This is a good location because I open this closet daily. Use these shelves to rotate items you keep for a short period of time. These items include library books, gifts, borrowed items, and items left at your house. Besides owning many books that they keep in their room, my children also borrow books from the library. This causes a problem. The library books and personal books are mixed together. I cannot monitor the due

dates, which eventually leads to assessed library fines. The rotating shelves solved this problem. I put the library books on the rotating shelf and the children's books are in their rooms. I can stay abreast of the due date because I see the books daily on my rotating shelf. This is also a perfect shelf on which to keep gifts that you will be giving within a week. I have a shelf in my basement to store gifts I keep for a longer period of time. Wrapped and unwrapped gifts are on the rotating shelves. The greeting card, wrapping paper and gift are kept together until the gift is ready for wrapping. I can see what is on the shelves often because I have chosen a good location. Get in the habit of checking the shelves when a friend stops by or when you go to visit friends so that the items can be returned to their owners. There are times when these shelves are empty and other times they are very full. Add a third shelf if your first two are constantly full. Your need to rotate items may be greater than mine. **TODAY'S REFRIGERATOR BULLETIN** "Empty a couple shelves in a frequently used closet to house the items that come and go."

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The Smith home influenced many of today's ranch homes



The Wright home is described as 'warm and simple'

WRIGHT

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hammer and with saws stroked by friends, Smith gave form to the combined dream at a reported cost of about \$7,000

"Usonian is one of the last styles Wright worked in," said Ellen Dodginton, collections fellow at the Cranbrook Art Museum in Bloomfield Hills. The museum currently is presenting an exhibition of Wright's papers in "Modest to Mansion: Frank Lloyd Wright in Detroit" (See related chart)

"Usonian is meant to be truly American, not based on European models," Dodginton said. "Myhaven is very warm inside and simple, like all Usonian houses. It was built to be long-lasting, not covered with a lot of flourishes, not overly decorated. There's a

large living room with lots of windows and large French doors (and) a small dining room off of a small kitchen that could be closed off"

ESSENTIAL NEEDS

The bedrooms and baths, Dodginton said, are "fairly small" in keeping with Wright's concept of his homes' inhabitants "just having essentials" in those rooms and spending the rest of the time in common areas

Dodginton created the current Wright exhibition "because it's important to talk about his work in this area," Dodginton said

"Michigan is third, after Illinois and Wisconsin, in works by Wright. They're scattered all over the state"

An earlier Wright project, the Affleck House in Bloomfield Hills, is owned by

Lawrence Technological University and used as "an educational resource"

Like Myhaven, the Affleck House is "modest," according to Lawrence Tech architecture lecturer Dane Johnson

"It was fairly unusual for prominent architects at that time to do humble houses,"

Johnson said "That set Wright apart

"Most of what he produced early were substantial, but after the 1930s as a result of what he saw in the Depression, he designed more for typical, average people"

Johnson said the Usonian houses "influenced

development of today's ranch houses,' following Wright's goal of 'redistributing urban congestion into what we now call suburbs, with houses on wider lots, not squeezed together"

The Usonian house was very different from other houses of its time, many of which were

built on designs rooted in Colonial and English Tudor houses where a staff of servants was common, Johnson said. Following Smith's death, Sara continued to live in Myhaven until the 1990s. The house now is vacant and owned by a Smith family foundation

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Become a poet with your camera

Did you know there is a very powerful universal language spoken by everyone, young and old, rich or poor, from all parts of the world? What I'm referring to is the

language of the photographic image

And just as knowledge of basics is essential to communication and understanding in any language, so is it in photography

For example, we all know about grammar and punctuation in the English language

We know where the periods and commas belong. Similarly, in photography, we need to know the basics, such as how to set the shutter speed, how to determine the correct aperture and how to figure depth-of-field

But as creative photographers, we go a step beyond this

In short, we must learn to become poets with our cameras

You see, a poet makes grammar a secondary thing

It's the words flowing from the creative self that are primary

The poet is tuned into his or her innermost feelings and these are expressed in words. Poems are written expressions of the inner self

Photographers must strive to do this, too

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This statue has a poetic and emotional quality. Monte Nagler took the image on Belle Island.

ics of photography secondary in order to concentrate on our "poetry"

It's easy to get correct exposure with our cameras. Now let's work toward getting proper exposure with our photographic feelings

Remember that as photographers, we have the ability to make visible what others can only sense. This is an exciting concept. Begin to think of your feelings as the true lens of the camera. Realize that a photograph,

and you as the photographer can reach out and stir human emotions that often go beyond what the written word can do

Remember the lens that truly sees the beauty of a flower, the innocent smile of a child, or a dramatic sunset isn't attached to the front of the camera. Rather, it's the lens inside us

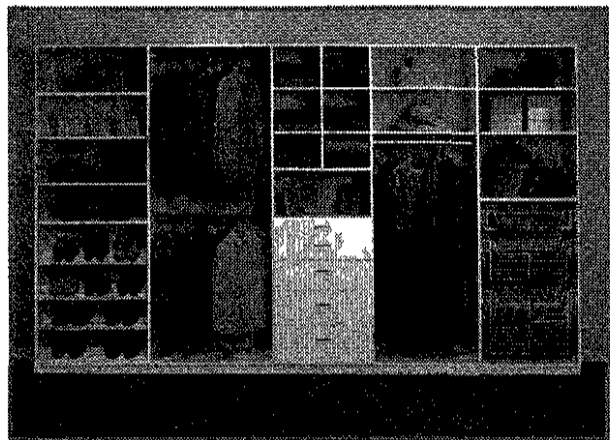
Learn never to underexpose your feelings

Keep in mind that it's not the artist's brush that produces

the painting, the violinist's bow that makes the melody, nor the poet's pen that writes the sonnet. Similarly, it's not the camera that produces the photograph—it's really you!

Put your inside lens to work and become a poet of the photographic language

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



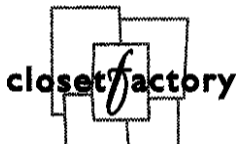
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- On the north side of Michigan Avenue, 1/4 mile west of the intersection of Michigan Avenue and Canton Center Road, Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan 48188

Any person desiring to comment on this application may file comments in writing with the Licensing Manager, Central District Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, One Financial Place, Suite 2700, 440 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60605, within 30 days of the date of this publication. The application is on file with the Licensing Manager as part of the public file. The public file is available for inspection in that office during regular business hours.

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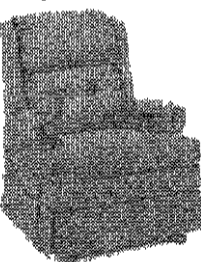
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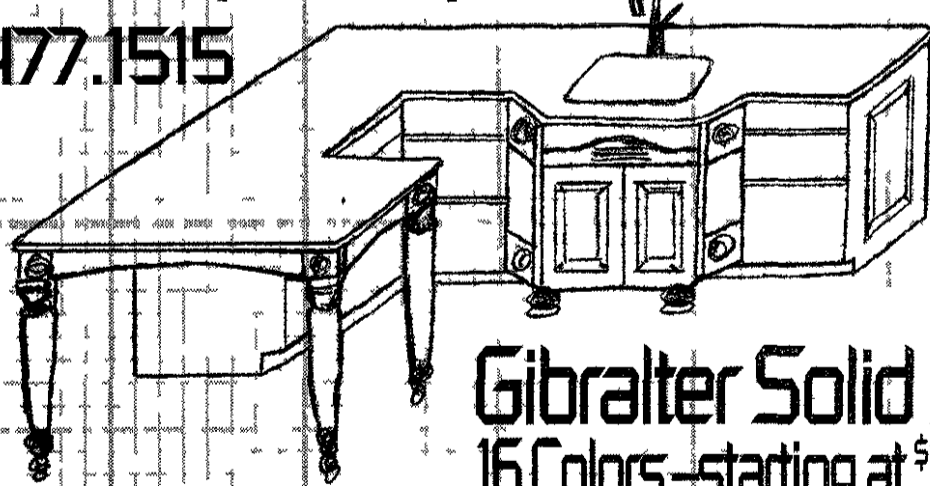
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GARDEN CALENDAR

Honey of a day

The Southern Michigan Unit of the Herb Society of America will present A Honey of a Day 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday March 25 at Trearrow Inc 1295 N. Opdyke in Auburn Hills. Doors open 9:30 a.m. The event will feature guest speakers (Chef Randy Emert, director of food services at Great Oaks Country Club in Rochester, freelance writer and master gardener Nancy Szerlag, and unit member and master gardener Jackie Walley, who has her own cottage business, Herbal Thymes and Gatherings) and a gift boutique. Emert will prepare A Honey of a Dish. Szerlag will present A Bee utiful Garden and a book signing will be featured. Walley will demonstrate flavored honeys. A box lunch prepared by Emert and his culinary team will be served at noon. Tickets are \$30 and will be picked up at the door. Seating is limited. Register by Friday March 19. Make checks payable to HSA SMU and send to HSA SMU, c/o Sheila Mohr, 5360 Forest Way, Bloomfield Hills 48302. Money earned from the event will

help maintain the Herb Garden at Cranbrook House and Gardens, promote herbal education and provide horticultural scholarships. The unit has maintained the Cranbrook herb garden for more than 30 years. For more information, call Sheila at (248) 851-6691 or Annie at (248) 582-0616.

Bromeliad society

The Southeast Michigan Bromeliad Society will meet 2 p.m. Saturday March 20 for Displaying Your Bromeliads, a workshop at Cranbrook in Bloomfield Hills. Visitors are welcome. For information, call (248) 380-7359. The workshop will feature tips on using bromeliads as accents in the garden, demonstration and practice mounting bromeliads on wood, cork and rock, and attractive long-lasting combinations (dish gardens, bromeliads, trees, and terrariums). Use the greenhouse entrance from Long Lake Road.

Orchid festival

The Ann Arbor Orchid Society Festival will take place Saturday, Sunday, March 20-21 at Matthaei Botanical

Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor. The festival will feature orchid growers selling a wide variety of exotic orchid plants in bloom, exhibits of orchids in bloom from area societies and growers, and free talks and demonstrations on orchid care. Admission is free. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days. Exhibits open at noon Saturday. Scheduled lecture topics: Saturday, Easy Orchids for Your Windowsill, 2 p.m., and Growing Vandas in Michigan, 3 p.m.; Sunday, Tips on Buying and Collecting Orchids, 11 a.m., Natural Pest Control, noon, Orchids and Ikebana, 1 p.m., Growing Orchids Isn't Difficult, Just Different, 2 p.m., and Easy Orchids for Your Windowsill, 3 p.m.

For more information, visit www.aaosonline.org.

Michigan Orchid Society

The Michigan Orchid Society will meet 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 21 at First Baptist Church of Birmingham, 300 Willits in Birmingham. Darrin Norton of Mountain Orchids, Vermont, will talk on cool growing

Dendrobium orchids. Visitors welcome. Admission is free.

Water gardening

The Community House Garden Club of Birmingham will present a program, Introduction to Water Gardening, 7 p.m. Monday, March 22. The program will take place at The Community House, 380 S. Bates in Birmingham, south of Maple (15 Mile) and between Southfield Road and Woodward. Nanette Winowiecki, the owner of The Pond Place in Milford, will speak on containers, fountains, bogs, pre-formed ponds, liner ponds, concrete ponds, and earth/natural ponds, and give an overview of pond site selection/design and water garden plants. The presentation will last one hour. A 15-minute question and answer period will be featured. Guest fee \$5. For more information, call Pat Jerzy at The Community House, (248) 644-5832.

MBH Garden Club

The Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will meet 10 a.m. Friday, March 26, in the Coach House adjacent to Meadow Brook Hall on the Oakland University

campus in Rochester. Guest speaker Robert McGowen of Bittersweet Farm in Clarkston will lecture on Large-scale Vegetable Gardening. The Organic Way Guests are welcome. Non-member donation \$5. Reservations aren't required.

Detroit Rose Society

The Detroit Rose Society will have a general meeting 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 26, at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center on Ridge Road, one block south of I-696 and one block west of Woodward Avenue. Consulting rosarian Gerry Carney, past president of the Detroit Rose Society, will present a slide tour of his garden. A short demonstration on spring pruning will also be featured.

Pond opening

Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 N. Merriman in Westland, will present a free pond opening seminar 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday, March 27. Call (734) 421-5959 for more information.

Chimes and vines

Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center, 3301 John R in Troy, has scheduled classes and other events. The offerings include two events

taking place 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27. Copper and Quartz Wind Chime Workshop and a presentation, New and Underused Hardy Vines. In the workshop, Jeane Houston will help you make your own beautiful copper wind chimes with natural agate, quartz crystals and decorative marbles. Fee is \$30. All materials and tools will be provided. In the presentation, guest speaker Drew Edwards will discuss dozens of perennial vines for adding vertical color to your fence, arbor, wall, trellis, or obelisk. Through slides and handouts, attendees will learn what plants will work for their gardens. Call (248) 689-8735 for information.

Healthy lawn care

A free workshop on healthy lawn care will take place 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 29, at the Oak Park Community Center, 14300 Oak Park Blvd. Tips on mowing, soil testing, fertilizing, weed control, and pest management with the environment in mind will be featured. Guest speaker will be Mike Barger of Mike's Tree Surgeons Inc. To register, call (248) 288-5150 or e-mail LFDean@aol.com.

HOME CALENDAR

Room organization

A program, Teen Organize Your Room, will take place 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 18, at the Southfield Public Library. Organizing expert Beverly Rogers will lead teens and their parents through a brainstorming session that will have them creating their own exciting plans to transform their rooms from blah to brilliant! Registration is required. For more information, call (248) 796-4200. The Southfield Public Library is in the Southfield Municipal Complex at 26300 Evergreen. Visit the library's Home Page at www.sfldlib.org.

Sheer quilts

The CAMEO Quilt Guild will present Sheer Quilts, a lecture by Jill Ault, 7 p.m. Thursday, March 18, at the UAW International Hall, 1640 Stephenson Highway in Troy. The presentation will show an unusual technique for special effects in fabric art. A short business meeting will take place before the lecture. Guest fee \$5. Call (248) 689-8189 for more information.

Antiques market

Michigan's Home and Garden Antiques Market will take place Friday, Sunday, March 19-21, 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 \$7 regular, \$6 with any ads or listings of the event, free for ages 12 and under. One paid admission is good for all three days of the show. Preview the event at www.antiquenet.com/M&M. The show will resemble an outdoor market. Exquisite antique garden settings will be filled with decorative antiques and accessories for the home, the garden, and personal adornment, including jewelry, furniture, garden and architectural pieces, birdbaths, benches, silver, glass, and ceramics for the table, paintings and prints, ornamental iron, and garden gates, quilts, and folk art, vintage clothing, purses, and perfumes.

Hummel artist

Christina Gohl, the talented artist from the W. Goebel Porzellanfabrik in Germany, will demonstrate the hand-painting process involved in creating beloved M.I. Hummel figurines, 4-8 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at Heslop's, 22790 Heslop Drive in Novi (phone: (313) 522-1850). Admission is free. The event is open to the public. As part of her presentation, the ceramic painter will display the different tools and materials used to create the world-famous M.I. Hummel figurines. Gohl will also sign individual purchases and provide an expert's knowledge about the brand. The figurines are based on the original art work of Sister Maria Innocentia Hummel. Instantly popular since their debut in 1935, the figurines continue to be among the world's most cherished collectibles.

Basement remodeling

Oakland Builders Institute will offer a class on basement remodeling Monday and Wednesday, March 29 and 31, through Birmingham Community Education. The class will explain all facets of basement remodeling, including planning, meeting building codes, estimating materials, the basics of home construction, and finishing techniques. The instructor will review your plans. Fee is \$90 plus \$8 book fee, payable to the instructor. For more information, call (248) 203-3800.

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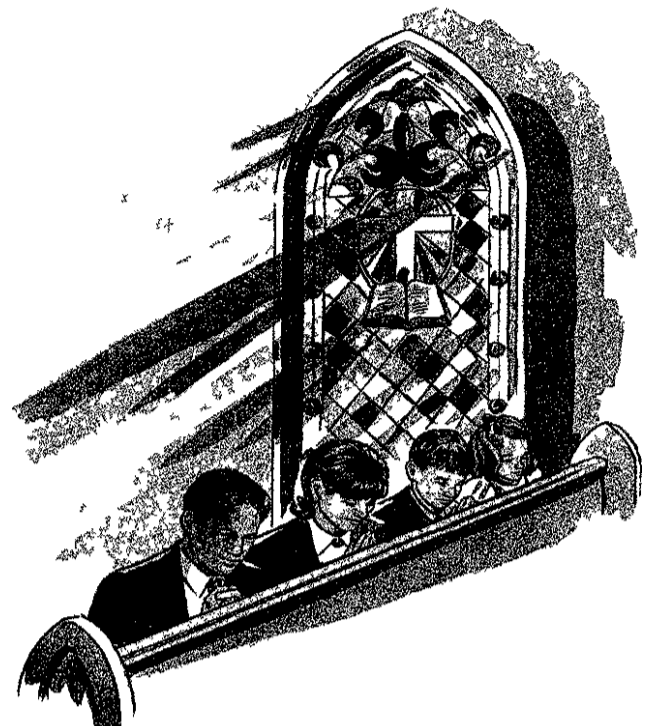
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Project isn't too challenging for Marion

What do you do when you transplant a shrub that leaves a bare space in your landscape?

Marion Kasabach of Southfield has the answer



Garden Spot

Marty Figley

The Pond Place in Milford They made repeated trips to the store

Each time they learned more about ponds until they gained enough confidence Finally, "we decided we could tackle it," she said

Each of them took turns digging an area approximately 4-by-6-feet, and 2 feet deep They used the soil that was removed from the area to build up the ground for a waterfall that provides that all-important soothing sound "It's a nice thing to have a trickle of water, it's so peaceful," Marion said

After the hole was dug and leveled, a first sub liner made

of heavy material was installed to protect the second liner from damage from sharp objects Rocks then were placed on that liner and built up to the edge of the pond that is surrounded by flat stones

There are a variety of rocks that add to the beauty Kasabach had a small rock collection that they used, including a larger rock that she carried 200 feet up from the shore of Lake Michigan Some rocks are from Bermuda, Aruba (that a friend brought to her) and others are from her travels The rest were purchased at Nobles, The Rock Place at 8 Mile and Middlebelt in Farmington Hills, where they chose each rock individually and it required two to three trips for them to purchase enough rocks An electrician wired the area, then the filter was installed

Kasabach says without her daughter who kept pushing she would never have finished the project She is pleased with her new pond and says it doesn't need any upkeep Kasabach will not purchase goldfish for it because of the maintenance that the pond would then require A floating water lettuce adds a bit of color and this year she plans to add a water lily and papyrus

It took them three weeks from start to finish to build the pond, and when the pond was

filled with water, Marion says,

We were in business, and on that August 15th, I celebrated my 86th Birthday What a nice present to herself

By the way the shrub, a rhododendron Marion transplanted, is doing fine in its new location She says she called me to be an inspiration for others and to encourage them "You can do it!"

It will soon be time to clean up the garden and ready it for planting The snow that has stayed on the ground this winter has acted as insulation to the plants, so we can probably look forward to having many survive Nevertheless, debris has to be cleaned out of the beds and perennials will need to be forked to provide better air circulation Volunteer seedlings will need to be put where they are wanted and other plants will need to be divided

There are several new tools on the market that will make the jobs easier Fiskars has several

One new line includes a garden spade with an enlarged step that provides sure footing and the sharp blade makes edging a snap This company also now has a landscape broom with a swivel head to get to hard to reach places, and a leaf rake with flexible, gently curved tines that prevent leaves and debris from getting

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He will discuss how to grow and care for these interesting plants

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



Marion Kasabach celebrated her 86th birthday the day her pond was completed at her home in Southfield

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<p>BULSON Shirley M. March 5 2004 in Florida Beloved wife of Gary dear mother of Gary II (Brenda) and Amy (Time) Hinchman loving grandmother of Jeremy Armstrong Allison Bulson, Timmy & Emily Hinchman sister of Gloria McGork Visiting at the UHT Funeral Home 35400 Glenwood, Westland, Friday 10am 3pm and 6 9pm Memorial service Saturday at 10am</p> <p>Dundas Harry James, Age 73 March 7 2004 Father of James David and Susan Hope Brother of Marian Irene Dundas and the late Alice Mae (Joseph) Stapczynski Uncle to Susan (Joseph) Filice and Dr Steve (Barb) Stapczynski Great uncle to Alana and Jeffery Filice and Colin and Jeremy Stapczynski Harry served in the Army as a Military Policeman where he witnessed the detonation of the first hydrogen bomb as part of Operation Ivy at Eniwetok Atoll</p> <p>HARRIS Abbe Kobacker Beloved mother of Jacqueline (Stanley) Gard, Judith (Michael Bressler) Solomon Grandmother of Elizabeth & Patty (Domonic) Freund and Susan Harris Solomon 10 Great Grandchildren Loving friend and companion Sally Koch GRAVE-SIDE SERVICES WERE HELD WEDNESDAY ARRANGEMENTS BY THE IRA KAUFMAN CHAPEL 248 569 0020 www.irakauffman.com</p> <p>HOLCOMB James Otto "Jim", 76 of 1629 Aquinas Ct Burlington North Carolina, died Tuesday March 16 2004 at Alamance Regional Medical Center A Memorial Service will be conducted at 2:00 PM Thursday March 18 2004 at First United Methodist Church of Elon by the Rev Randy Maynard, Rev Kristin Lawster The family will be receiving friends following the service at the church Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church of Elon Building Fund, PO Box 923 Elon NC 27244 Lowe Funeral Home and Crematory is serving the Holcomb family</p>	<p>KEMP (Woodward) Mary Ann 55 of Livonia formerly of Clinton, died Tuesday March 16 2004 in Angela Hospice in Livonia She was born August 2 1948 in Tecumseh, the daughter of James and Alma (White) Woodward She was married to Ivan R Kemp on December 17 1981 and he survives Mary Ann was a graduate of Clinton High School class of 1966 She taught school in Livonia for thirty years, where she was Program Coordinator and teacher of ESL French & Spanish Mary Ann also taught in the Language Institute in Venezuela SA She was an IFA Chief Negotiator Mary Ann enjoyed knitting gardening family time and going to Hilton Head, SC She was a very loving wife, mother grandmother and friend In addition to her husband, Ivan Mary Ann is survived by one son Mark Barrera of Livonia three daughters Karrie (Leif) Larsen of Ypsilanti Ann Kemp of Livonia and Deborah (Paul) Tender of Monticello IL one brother Jim (Vicki) Woodward of Ankeny Iowa, one sister, Jane (Tim) Murphy of Clinton, and five grandchildren Abigail, Ysabella Jorgen Marie and Katie She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister Cathy Ann Woodward Visitation will be on Thursday March 18 2004 at the Clinton Chapel of Couture Handler Funeral Homes from 2-4 and 6-8 pm with a Rosary Service at 8pm The Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Dominic Catholic Church in Clinton at 11am on Friday March 20 with Father Paul Ruddy as Celebrant The Rite of Committal will follow at St. Dominic Cemetery in Clinton In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Capuchin Monastery or Father Solanus Guild Capuchin Monastery 1740 Mt Elliott, Detroit MI 48207 Father Solanus Guild, 1780 Mt Filhott Detroit, MI 48207</p> <p>LONG ELVA I Age 87 March 12 2004 Beloved wife of the late Richard Loving mother of Barrett (Sarah), Linda (Charles) Grifford and Denise (Charles) Tomasello Dear grand mother of Robert, Charleen & Jeanette Long Hannah Tobin Russell & Joy Grifford, Hope Goossens Andrea & Drew Tomasello Also survived by 6 great grandchildren A funeral service was held Wednesday at Highland Park Baptist Church in Southfield Memorials may be directed to Highland Park Baptist Church Mission Fund R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home 734-422-6720 in charge of arrangements</p> <p>NOE Pastor Herbert, Age 86 of Brighton Township died March 14 2004 Long time pastor of Galilean Baptist Church, Livonia Beloved husband of Mac dear father of Neva (Christopher) Huff Cheryl (Christopher) Trundy and Daniel (Laure) Noe Grandfather of 14 Visitation Manns Ferguson Funeral Home 17000 Middlebelt (S of 6 Mile) Tuesday and Wednesday 1 to 9 pm In state Thursday, 12 noon Emmanuel Baptist Church 645 S Telegraph Rd Pontiac til time of service 1pm</p>	<p>Watkins Edward Crawford, a life-long resident of Birmingham Michigan, passed away in his home on February 7, 2004, after a long illness He was born September 10 1919 on Bob Lo Island, Canada, where his family spent many summers In his youth he helped operate family Shetland pony enter prizes on Belle Isle and Bob Lo farmed his own garden in Birmingham and worked jobs at the Michigan State Fair and the Springdale Golf Course in Birmingham Ed graduated from Birmingham's Baldwin High School in 1937 where he was a member of the Alpha Omega fraternity He attended Oberlin College in Ohio for two years where he met his wife, and he later took courses at the University of Michigan Ed enlisted in the UPS Army in 1940 where he was injured and then discharged in 1941 He married in 1943 and had three children In 1949 he formed his own advertising firm E.C. Watkins & Co., which later became Watkins Rogers, Inc and operated from a house on Pallister Avenue in Detroit There in the backyard and pool Ed established his Pallister Avenue Swimming and Chowder Society offering supper and swimming to the neighborhood children each Monday evening during summers for over 20 years He retired in the mid 1990s after the death of his wife of 50 years Miriam S. Watkins, in 1993 Ed joined the Birmingham Country-Club in 1953 became a life member and was inducted into the Club's Hall of Fame in 2001 An avid golfer since his teens Ed scored two holes in one from the back tees at the Club's 7th hole, a 190 yard par 3 On his first he used a 4 iron, and 20 years later he hit his second using a 4 wood from the same tees Ed was a life long member of Birmingham's First United Methodist Church He is survived by his three children, William D. Watkins of Laurel, MD, Edward C. Watkins Jr of San Diego CA Constance W. Pass of Barrington, RI four grandchildren, one great grandchild, and his four sisters, Marie Bay of Milwaukee WI, Winnie Walker of Flintbridge, CA Carolyn Pierce of Tryon NC and Joyce Bates of LaConner WA A memorial service will be held at the Wm. R. Hamilton Co (Bell Chapel), 820 E Maple in Birmingham on Saturday March 27 2004 at 11:00AM In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Beaumont Hospice 1200 Stephenson Hwy, Troy, MI 48063</p> <p>YAMBASKY ESTHER M. age 87 passed away March 13 2004 she was born on May 31 1916 in Detroit to Gustav and Mary (Baske) Henrikowski She married Elmer R. Yambasky in Detroit on April 22, 1939 She moved to South Lyon in 1964 and was a member of the Cross of Christ Lutheran Church of South Lyon Esther was the loving mother of Carol (Bob) Walrath of South Lyon Roger (Sharon) Yambasky of Rockwood, Tom (Nancy) Yambasky of Sacramento and Bob (Donna) Yambasky of Livonia 7 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren survive her She was preceded in death by her husband Elmer Yambasky in 1997 and her 3 brothers and 2 sisters Visitation was held Monday at Phillips Funeral Home A funeral service was held on Tuesday March 16 2004 The Cross of Christ Lutheran Church</p>
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - March 9, 2004

Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak to moved from open to closed session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and employee negotiations...

Expenditure Recap for March 9, 2004

Table with 4 columns: Fund Name, Amount, Budget, and Total. Includes General Fund, Fire Fund, Police Fund, etc.

PRESENTATION: 1 PRESENTATION OF LIEUTENANTS BADGES TO DAUBRESSE AND BATTISTONE 2 PRESENTATION OF RETIREE BADGE TO BERGER 3 Supervisor Yack recognized Canton's Leisure Services department...

Table with 4 columns: FUND, CURRENT BUDGET, BUDGET AMENDMENT, AMENDED BUDGET. Lists various funds and their budget adjustments.

Motion carried unanimously Item 3 BUDGET AMENDMENT PART TIME SEASONAL WAGES Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to approve the following budget amendments...

GENERAL FUND Increase Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance #101 000 699 0000 \$23 200 Increase Appropriations Salaries Engineering Services #101 447 705 0000 \$23,200...

WATER & SEWER FUND Increase Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance #592 441 705 0000 \$65,800 Salaries Water & Sewer #592 441 705 0000 \$65 800...

Table with 5 columns: Section, Position, Number, No Weeks, Total Hours. Lists seasonal staffing needs for Engineering, Water & Sewer, and Storm Water.

Hourly rate = \$10.82 Budget required = \$88,940.40 Motion carried unanimously

Item 4 CONSIDER DISPOSAL OF PUBLIC WORKS SKID PUMPS Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak to dispose of Township owned Gorman/Rupp skid model pumps...

Table with 5 columns: MODEL, CYLINDERS, SIZE, SERIAL#, ENGINE HOURS. Lists skid pump models and specifications.

Item 5 REAPPOINTMENT OF DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBERS Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak to reappoint the following people to the Canton Downtown Development Authority...

Item 6 BUDGET AMENDMENT-POLICE FUND-CAPITAL OUTLAY Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak to approve the following budget amendment in the Police Fund to appropriate 2004 funds for the purchase of capital equipment...

Increase Revenues Federal Frants LLEBG #207 000 507 0000 \$21 068 Fund Balance Appropriation 207 000 699 0000 2,341 Total \$23,409...

Increase Appropriations Capital Outlay Equipment #207 301 977 0000 \$23,409 This budget amendment increase the FY 2004 Police Fund budget from \$12,418,245 to \$12,441,654 Motion carried unanimously

GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER REVISED SITE PLAN FOR CHERRY PLAZA Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following resolution Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Cherry Plaza Shopping Center

WHEREAS, the Project Sponsors Mr Ah Charara and Mr Leo Gonzales, has requested site plan approval for Cherry Plaza Shopping Center, to be located on Cherry Hill Road between Canton Center and Beck Roads (Tax ID # 064 99 0018 000) and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to APPROVE the request to grant site plan approval...

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the Project Sponsors, Mr Ah Charara and Mr Leo Gonzales to approve the site plan for the proposed Cherry Plaza Shopping Center, conditioned on their recommendation on the receipt of a signed letter of commitment from the property owner indicating that within 12 months of the completion of the shared driveway on the adjacent commercial property the Cherry Hill road entrance will be closed a rear loading and service zone along with the dumpster enclosure will be constructed at the rear of the building and the landscaping along Cherry Hill Road will be extended across the area that was the driveway and subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions by the Planning Commission and staff as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof

Item 2 CONSIDER SITE PLAN FOR THE VILLAS OF MAPLE CREEK (FORMERLY THE ABBEYS) SENIOR HOUSING Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the following resolution Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for The Villas of Maple Creek Senior Housing

WHEREAS, the Project Sponsors Mr Michael Parks, has requested site plan approval for The Villas of Maple Creek (formerly The Abbeys of Canton) Senior Housing to be located on the northeast corner of Beck Road and Geddes Road identified as tax EDP #111 99 0004 000 and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation conditioned upon revision of the plans to include the appropriate concrete road cross section, that the project sponsor work with staff on meter locations of the appropriate shrouding of meters and additionally that all roof stacks are to be dark in color to match the roof shingles

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner Mr Michael Parks to approve the site plan for the proposed Villas of Maple Creek Senior Housing subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof

Item 3 CONSIDER GRANTING EASEMENT TO DETROIT EDISON Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to grant Detroit Edison easements across Township property as described at Ridge Road north of Ford Road and Ridge and Cherry Hill Roads and after adding the stipulation that the easement granted will terminate within 12 months if the lead installation is incomplete authorize the Township Supervisor and Township Clerk to execute the agreements Motion carried unanimously

Item 4. CONSIDER AWARDED THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF JLG SCISSOR LIFT Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzyak to award the bid for the purchase of a JLG Scissor Lift Model #1930ES to United Rentals, Inc., 51722 Grand River Ave., Wixom, MI 48393 in the amount of \$9 163 00 #592 000 142 0000 Motion carried unanimously

Item 5. CONSIDER A RE-LEASE WITH OPTION TO BUY A 1999 HIGH PRESSURE SEWER JET RODDER AND CATCH BASIN CLEANER (VACTOR.) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to reject the bid proposals received from both Jack Doheny Supplies and Burke Equipment for leasing of a new unit and further that the Township accept the proposal to re-lease (with option to buy) the 1999 High Pressure Sewer Jet Rodder and Catch Basin Cleaner from Jack Doheny Supplies, Inc., 777 Doheny Ct Northville MI, upon completion of the reconditioning, for an amount of \$21 704 59 per year, not to exceed five years #101 445 940 0000 Motion carried unanimously

Item 6 APPROVE SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON MARLOWE STREET. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the sale of parcel 71 057 010 158 000 for \$6 000 to Mr Raymond Merlo, 8505 Terra Cella Northville Michigan 48167 Motion carried unanimously

Item 7 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF A RICO AFICIO 1027 COPIER. Motion by Bennett, supported by Burdzyak to purchase a Model Rico Aficio 1027 from IKON Office Solutions under the State of Michigan Bid in the amount of \$5,162 00 for the Treasurer's Department, account #101 253 977 000 Motion carried unanimously

Item 8. AUTHORIZE LEASE AGREEMENT FOR CARDIOVASCULAR FITNESS EQUIPMENT Removed from Agenda

Item 9 AUTHORIZE PAYMENT FOR A SECURITY SYSTEM AT FELLOWS CREEK GOLF CLUB AND NEEDED BUDGET AMENDMENT Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the payment of \$6,192 00 to AAA Alarm Computer Center 5953 Chase Dearborn MI 48126 for the security system at Fellows Creek Golf Club and to charge the expense as follows Golf Course Enterprise Fund, Increase Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance #584 000 699 0000 \$6,192 Increase Appropriations Capital Outlay Building Fellows Creek #582 697 976 0000 \$6,192 This budget amendment increase the Fellows Creke Golf Course Division budget from \$220 077 to \$226 269, and increases the Golf Course Enterprise Fund budget from \$2 496,651 to \$2,502,843 Motion carried unanimously

Item 10. AMENDMENT (03-2004) TO THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE ADOPTION, CHAPTER 38, ARTICLE III, SECTION 38-64, FIRST READING. Motion by Bennett and seconded by Kirchgatter to introduce table and publish for the first reading of the amendment (03 2004) Fire Prevention Code Adoption Chapter 38, Article III Section 38 64 The first reading will occur on March 18, 2004 in the Canton Observer Newspaper

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON FIRE PREVENTION CODE ADOPTION AMENDMENT 03-2004 AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE THE AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2000 EDITION, AS PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1 AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 38, ARTICLE III, SECTION 38-61.

The reference to Ordinance No 109, as amended §1, 2 9 1993 is hereby deleted

SECTION 2 AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 38, ARTICLE III, SECTION 38-64

Chapter 38 Article III Section 38 64 of the Code of Ordinances, Canton Charter Township is hereby amended to read as follows Section 38-64 Amendments.

Appendices Appendices B C and D of the 2000 International Fire Code are hereby adopted

The following sections and subsections of the International Fire Code are hereby amended or deleted as set forth and additional sections and subsections are added as indicated Subsequent section numbers used in this Chapter shall refer to the like numbered sections of the International Fire Code

101 1 Section amended to read

101 1 Title. These regulations as set forth herein shall be known as the Fire Prevention Code of the Charter Township of Canton and are herein referred to as such or as the "Code"

104 11 4 Section added to read

104 11.4 Compliance with Orders. A person shall not willfully fail or refuse, to comply with any lawful order or direction of the Fire Chief or to interfere with the compliance attempts of another individual

104 11 5 Section added to read

104 11.5 Vehicles Crossing Fire Hose. A vehicle shall not be driven or propelled over any unprotected fire hose of the Fire Department when laid down on any street, alleyway private drive or any other vehicular roadway without the consent of the fire official in command at said operation

202 1 Section added to include

202 1 General Definitions. The word "street" as used in the ordinance shall mean any roadway accessible to the public for vehicular traffic, including but not limited to, private streets or access lanes, and all public streets and highways within the boundaries of the municipality

307 2 Section amended to read

307 2 Open Burning Prohibited: All open burning will be prohibited within the geographical limits of the Township unless otherwise authorized in writing by the designated Wayne County Official and the Fire Official of the Township

The following Sections are deleted F 307 3 through F 307 3 2

307 3 Section added to read

307 3 Recreational fires: Recreational fires shall be kindled only in strict compliance with written guidelines established by the code official Printed

copies of the Recreational Fire Guidelines are available to the public at the Public Safety Department during regular business hours Amended to read

307 4 307.4 Attendance. Recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished A minimum of 1 portable fire extinguisher complying with section 906 with a minimum 4+A rating a charged garden hose or water truck shall be available for immediate utilization

F 307 5 Section amended to read

F-307.5 Grills and Outdoor Fireplaces in Residential Area A person shall not use a cooking grill, outdoor fireplace or any other open flame device that uses propane, charcoal gasoline wood, etc nor shall a person allow the kindling of a fire of any nature on balconies, within means of egress, on porches or patios under a roof or within 10' of combustible construction Exception: 1 Single family dwellings

503 4 1 Section added to read,

503.4.1 Street Obstructions. A person or persons shall not erect, construct, place or maintain any bumps, fences gates, chains, bars pipes, wood or metal horses or any other type of obstruction in or on any street within the boundaries of the Township All private streets or access drives shall be maintained and accessible for fire apparatus at all times including maintenance of the surface to support fire apparatus and snow removal

508 1 1 Section added to read,

508.1 1 Public Water Supply. The fire official shall recommend to the chief administrative official of the municipality the location or relocation of new or existing fire hydrants and the placement or replacement of inadequate water mains located upon public property and deemed necessary to provide an adequate fire flow and distribution pattern A fire hydrant shall not be placed into or removed from service until approved by the fire official

The following section is Section deleted

508 5 1 Exception #2

508 5 1 Section added to read,

508.5 1 Major thoroughfares. Fire hydrants located on the opposite side of major thoroughfares as determined by the Code Official shall not be considered

508 5 1 2 Section added to read,

508.5 1 2 Location of Fire Hydrants. Fire Hydrants shall be situated immediately adjacent to and in no event a distance greater than 20' from a public road or fire apparatus access road

508 5 1 3 Section added to read,

508.5.1.3 Location of Fire Hydrants for Sprinklered buildings. There shall be a fire hydrant located within 50 of any fire department connection and the hydrant shall be accessible to fire department apparatus

508 5 1 4 Section added to read,

508.5 1 4 Yard Systems. All new and existing lumber yards, amusement or exhibition parks and educational or institutional complexes and similar occupancies and uses involving high fire or life hazards and which are located more than 150 feet from a public street or which require quantities of water beyond the capabilities of the public water distribution system shall be provided with properly placed fire hydrants Such fire hydrants shall be capable of supplying flows as required by the fire official and shall be connected to a water system in accordance with accepted engineering practices The fire official shall designate and approve the number and location of fire hydrants All yard hydrants shall be painted yellow The fire official may require the installation of sufficient fire hoses and equipment housed in accordance with the approved rules and may require the establishment of a trained fire brigade when the hazard involved requires such measures Private hydrants shall not be placed into or removed from service until approved by the fire official (Ord 89 Sec F 3513 1 10 11 85)

508.5.1.5 Exceptions When the Code Official may determine the size, construction location or occupancy use of a building otherwise subject to the provisions of Section 508 5 1, 508 5 1 2 or 508 5 1 3 does not constitute a hazard to life and property from fire or explosion or, where additional built in fire protection over and above the minimum requirements of the International Building Code and International Fire Code is installed the Code Official shall be authorized to vary the distance requirements set forth in Section F 508 5 1 as he (she) shall deem reasonable and necessary However in no event shall the distance requirement be extended beyond 500 feet

508 5 4 1 Section added to read,

508.5.4.1 Violation If upon the expiration of the time mentioned in a notice of violation, obstructions or encroachments are not removed, the fire official shall proceed to remove the same Cost incurred in the performance of necessary work shall be paid from the municipal treasury on certificate of the fire official and with the approval of the chief administrative official and the legal authority of the municipality shall institute appropriate action for the recovery of such costs

508 5 7 Section added to read,

508 5.7 Damaging Fire Hydrants and Fire Protection Equipment. It shall be unlawful to damage, deface, obstruct or restrict the access to any fire hydrant or any fire department connection or fire protection system control valves for the pressurization of fire suppression systems, including fire hydrants and fire department connection that are located on public or private streets and access lanes or on private property

508 5 8 Section added to read,

508.5.8 Hydrant Use Approval. No person shall, without authority of the Fire Official or his designated representative use, open or operate any fire hydrant, except for the purpose of extinguishing a fire, unless such person first secures a permit for such use from the fire official and the water company having jurisdiction This section shall not apply to the use of such hydrants by a person employed by and authorized to make such use by the water company having jurisdiction

901 8 2 Section added to read,

901.8.2 Replacement of Fire Suppression Equipment. Whenever a fire appliance is removed as herein permitted, it shall be replaced or reinstalled as soon as the purpose for which it was removed has been accomplished Defective and non approved fire appliance or equipment shall be replaced or repaired as directed by the fire official

906 1 Section amended to include

6 In all multi family buildings as assigned by the fire official not limited to one (1) per dwelling unit, one (1) per landing

906 11 Section added to read,

906.11 Sale of Defective Fire Extinguishers. A person shall not sell, trade, loan or give away any form, type or kind of fire extinguisher which is not approved by the fire official, which is not in proper working order or the contents of which do not meet the requirements of the Fire official The requirements of this section shall not apply to the sale, trade or exchange of obsolete or damaged equipment for junk when said units are permanently disfigured or marked with a permanent sign identifying the unit as junk

2201 1 Section amended to read

2201.1 Scope: Automotive service stations, marine service stations, fleet vehicle service stations and repair garages, shall be in accordance with this chapter and the following ordinances laws codes or regulations Michigan Building Code, International Fuel Gas Code, International Mechanical Code, The National Fire Prevention Association

If you want to submit an item for the religion calendar fax it to (734) 591 7279 or write Religion Calendar Observer Newspaper 36251 Schoolcraft Road Livonia MI 48150

Rhythm Rhymes and Java An evening of poetry music and art 8 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.) Friday March 19 at First Baptist Institutional Church 17101 W Seven Mile between Greenfield and Southfield Detroit

freewill offering will be accepted after the presentation The full theatrical performance brings Jesus to life through the eyes of the apostle Simon Peter The presentation is suitable for junior high school children and up

Lenten Activities Witness God's Love in Outreach and Music activities continue 10 a.m. Sunday March 21 worship and guest speaker Frank Turner an Emmy award winning journalist and broadcast

less men who are rebuilding their lives A freewill offering will be received to help support the Ambassadors ministry Through a program sponsored by Cass United Methodist Church the Scott Building has facilities that provides multiple services including housing for 42 for

sunrise service at Greenmead Historical Village and a 10 a.m. Easter worship

MARCH

Apocalypse conference David Dark author of Everyday Apocalypse The Sacred Revealed in Radiohead The Simpsons and other Pop Culture Icons presents the conference Apocalyptic for the People

Parable Treasure Fair Come and find the treasure of Jesus Word 3 5 p.m. Sunday March 21 in the social hall at St Maurice Church 32765 Lyndon Livonia

approve the Storm Drain Agreement with Meridian Square, L L C, and authorize Township Supervisor and Clerk to execute same

Ms Arnold moved to approve a wage increase of 3% for all non-represented Plymouth Township employees for the year 2004, retroactive to January 1, 2004

Mr Mann remarked that the Township closed on purchase of the Massey property Nineteen proposals were opened last Friday for architectural services for the new Township Hall and the committee will be reviewing them soon

Mr Anulewicz explained for Mr Curm the current status of various youth baseball leagues

He also updated Ms Arnold on the fact that the Salvation Army and YMCA day camps are moving to the soccer park He said the shelter nearest the playscape will now always be open to the general public

In answer to Ms Arnold's question regarding whether residents could be given priority to use the sprayscape this summer, Mr Anulewicz noted that Federal funds have been used at the park, causing implications for whatever is done in the park This makes restricting non residents extremely difficult

Police Chief Tiderington updated Board members on the department's recent training exercise at Johnson Controls and their assistance in the arrests of shoplifters who were fencing goods at a Detroit party store

At 7 54 p.m. it was moved by Mrs Massengill and seconded by Mr Griffith that a closed session be called for the purpose of discussing

Re Plymouth Township v Mann, et al Settlement Offer Trotter vs Plymouth Township et al Settlement Offer

This is a permissible purpose under Michigan's Open Meeting Acts, Public Act No 267, Article 15 268, Section 8, paragraph (e) Ayes all on a roll call vote

Mr Griffith moved to return to Open Session at 8 40 p.m. Seconded by Mr Edwards Ayes all

Mr Edwards moved to adjourn the meeting Seconded by Mr Griffith Ayes all

The meeting was adjourned at 8 41 p.m.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, CMC Clerk Charter Township of Plymouth STEVEN MANN Supervisor Charter Township of Plymouth

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting held on March 9, 2004 The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for public perusal The minutes will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting held on March 23, 2004

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township Meetings to individuals with disabilities at the Meetings/Hearings upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the following: Supervisor's office 42850 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth MI 48170

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2004

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 7 00 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag All members were present, with Mr Munfakh arriving at 7 02 p.m. and Mr Curm arriving at 7 04 p.m.

Mrs Massengill amended the Agenda by the addition of Item J2 under New Business, 2004 Wage Increases for Non Represented Employees and under Closed Session, Trotter vs Plymouth Township, Settlement Offer She then moved to approve the Agenda for the March 9, 2004, Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as submitted

Trustee Munfakh arrived at 7 02 p.m. Mrs Massengill moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the March 9, 2004, Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as submitted, with the exception of approval of the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 24 2004

Mr Munfakh moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of February 24, 2004, as submitted Supported by Ms Arnold Ayes all, with Mrs Massengill and Mr Edwards abstaining because they were not present for the meeting

Resident Don Schnettler questioned the Township charging 8% interest on special assessment districts when interest rates for bond funds are currently much lower

Mr Mann responded that the 8% rate has been in effect for a number of years One of the reasons for not changing the rate is in fairness to those in prior special assessment districts that cannot be refigured

Mr Edwards said Township funds, rather than bond funds, are used to finance special assessment districts Residents have the option of paying off the assessment and/or seeking other means of financing at a lesser rate

Mr Munfakh felt that currently charging 8% to the homeowners is excessive

Mr Mann opened the Public Hearing regarding Plymouth Hills Subdivision Road Paving S A D at 7 31 p.m.

Mrs Massengill noted receipt of a letter from Keith and Jeannine Cleland, owners of Lot 5, objecting to the project They feel the summary of events has not been followed properly and they would like to see this put aside for the time being

Mrs Muriel Fritz 11919 Amherst Court, indicated a rescue squad vehicle recently got stuck while attempting to rescue her neighbor She felt the road should be paved in the interests of safety

There being no further comment, the Public Hearing was closed at 7 35 p.m.

Mrs Massengill moved to approve Resolution No 04 03 09 09, authorizing the Engineer to complete final Engineering Drawings, to take bids, and have the Supervisor prepare final Special Assessment Roll for the Board's approval upon completion of the thirty (30) day waiting period provided no objections have been filed

Ms Arnold moved to adopt Resolution 04-03 09 10, authorizing Township Supervisor to sign Wayne County Permit C 41439 and

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

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC HEARING FY 2004 CDBG ACTION PLAN

On Tuesday, April 13, at 7 p.m. in the Board meeting room located at the Summit on the Park Community Center, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton Michigan 48188, the Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of the FY 2004 Community Development Block Grant action plan

TERRY BENNETT Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Leisure Services Department up to 4 00 p.m., April 2nd, 2004 for the following

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THERAPEUTIC RECREATION PROGRAMS

Specifications are available at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, Canton, MI 48188 All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and ate and time of proposal opening

TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FY 2004 CDBG ACTION PLAN

Beginning March 18, 2004, and for 30 days thereafter, the Charter Township of Canton will accept public comment on the FY 2004 Community Development Block Grant Action Plan

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The State of Michigan, DEQ Flammable Liquids Regulations This Code, Such operations shall include both public accessible and private operations

2401 4 1 Section added to read,

2401.4.1 Tents, permit issuance. Application for permits required under this section or the Building Code shall be made to the Building Official and permit secured from same

3302 1 1 Section to read

3404.2.9.5.1 Locations, where above-ground tanks are prohibited. The storage of Class I and II liquids in above ground tanks outside of buildings is prohibited within the geographic limits of Canton Township

Exceptions 1 Approved skid tanks for construction purposes may be used when application is made in writing for a permit which is approved by the fire official

2 A UL approved farm storage tank of 275 gallons or less capacity may be permitted when application is made in writing and approved by the fire official within the limits of the zoning use district designated AG by the zoning ordinance of the Township

3 Fuel oil tanks used in conjunction with home heating when tanks are installed and operated in accordance with Chapter 27 and 34

Chapter 46 Authority at Fires - is hereby added to read as follows

Chapter 46 - Authority at Fires

4600.1 Definition of Authorized Emergency Vehicles. Authorized emergency vehicles shall be restricted to those which are defined and authorized under the laws of the State of Michigan

4600.2 Operations of Vehicles on Approach of Authorized Emergency Vehicles. Upon the approach of any authorized emergency vehicle giving audible and visual signal, the operator of every other vehicle immediately drive the same to a position as near as possible and parallel to the right-hand edge or curb of the street or roadway, clear of any intersection, and shall stop and remain in such position until the authorized emergency vehicle or vehicles shall have passed, unless otherwise directed by the fire official or a police officer

4600.3 Vehicles Following Fire Apparatus. It shall be unlawful for the operator of any vehicle other than one on official business to follow closer than 300 feet from any fire apparatus traveling in response to a fire alarm or to drive any vehicle within the block or immediate area where any fire apparatus has stopped in answer to a fire alarm

4600.4 Unlawful Boarding or Tampering with Fire Department Emergency. A person shall not without proper authorization from the fire official in charge of said fire department emergency equipment cling to attach himself to, climb upon or into, board or swing upon any fire department emergency vehicle, whether the same is in motion or at rest, or sound the siren, horn, bell or other sound producing device thereon or to manipulate or tamper with any levers, valves, switches, starting devices, brakes, pumps or any equipment or protective clothing on, or a part of any fire department emergency vehicle

4600.5 Damage or Injury to Fire Department - Equipment, Personnel. It shall be unlawful for any person to damage or deface any fire department emergency vehicle at any time or to injure or

attempt to injure or conspire to injure fire department personnel while performing departmental duties

4600.6 Emergency Vehicle Operation. The driver of any emergency vehicle, as defined in Section 5 of this Ordinance, shall not sound the siren thereon or have the front red lights on or disobey any existing traffic regulation, except when said vehicle is responding to an emergency call or when responding to, but not upon returning from a fire

- (a) park or stand irrespective of the provisions of existing traffic regulations,
(b) proceed past a red or stop signal or other sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation,
(c) exceed the prima facie speed limit so long as the action does not endanger life or property,
(d) disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions,
(e) the exemptions herein granted to an emergency vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any such vehicle while in motion sounds audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle as may be reasonably necessary and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one lighted lamp displaying a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet to the front of such vehicle

SECTION 3. VIOLATION AND PELANTY. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be punished as provided in Ordinance No 63 Misdemeanor Violations Section 70 168 of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served in accordance with the terms and provisions hereof shall be deemed a separate offense

SECTION 4. SAVINGS CLAUSE. Rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecutions for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. Should any section, clause, or paragraph of this Ordinance be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same will not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or part thereof other than the part declared invalid

SECTION 6. REPEAL OF CURRENT SECTION 38-64. The current version of Chapter 38, Article III, Section 38 64 is hereby repealed

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. The Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published as required by law, and this Ordinance shall take full force and affect in the course and manner as provided by law

OTHER: Supervisor Yack stated there will be no study session next week Supervisor Yack stated that it was a privilege spending time with the Youth Leadership Students and that their parents have done a fine job ADJOURN: Motion by Zarbo, supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 8 10 p.m. - 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 website www.canton mi org after Board approval

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Cranbrook restoration featured Sunday on HGTV

The National Trust for Historic Preservation, Save America's Treasures and Home & Garden Television honored the historic Cranbrook House as the newest addition to HGTV's public affairs initiative Restore America A Salute to Preservation

The special presentation was held Feb 27 at the Cranbrook Art Museum's DeSalle Auditorium in Bloomfield Hills and helped kick off Cranbrook's Centennial celebration

Cranbrook chief advancement officer Rick Loewenstein and director of archives Mark Corr highlighted the legacy of the Cranbrook House, a historic educational community that was designed to foster individual growth, and the Centennial of its founding in 1904 Cranbrook Schools claim a roster of well-known graduates, including artists, actors, athletes and entrepreneurs Among them are actress Selma Blair, architect Tod Williams, historian Natalie Zemon Davis and Heisman Trophy winner Peter Dawkins

Guests were treated to an exclusive preview of the Restore America A Salute to Preservation segment featuring Cranbrook House, and a special tour highlighting the restoration efforts underway at the site

The segment is scheduled to air on HGTV's popular series Restore America at 12:30 p.m. Sunday, March 21

Representatives from the National Trust, HGTV, Save America's Treasures and co-sponsor, Comcast Cable, presented a commemorative plaque and a \$75,000 check to Cranbrook Trustee Virginia (Ginny) Fox to support the restoration work Fox is Cranbrook's properties committee chair and the granddaughter of Cranbrook's founders

Cranbrook House was selected for this designation from among 1,000 Save America's Treasures sites across the country Other co-sponsors of this project include Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse, Marvin Windows and Doors, and American Express

Cranbrook House is the ninth of 12 Save America's Treasures sites to be featured on HGTV's popular Restore America series as a part of the national campaign, Restore America A Salute to Preservation - a partnership of HGTV and the National Trust for Historic Preservation As part of this effort, HGTV donated \$1 million to the National Trust for the restoration and preservation of the 12 Save America's Treasures sites, and each month the network highlights the restoration efforts of one of these sites

The network will contribute another \$1 million to restore 12 additional Save America's Treasures sites in 2004-2005

Cranbrook House is the oldest surviving manor home in the Detroit area and a centerpiece of the Cranbrook educational and artistic community Founders George and Ellen Booth's dream to achieve something of lasting value and service led them to develop what is known today as Cranbrook Educational Community, named for the village in Kent County, England where George's father was born

The couple contracted famed architect Albert Kahn to build the English Tudor Revival home on 174 acres of overgrown farmland outside of Detroit, and in 1908 the house was completed

Boasting ornate wooden carvings and moldings, decorative copper gutters, handcrafted tapestries and tiles, and 40 acres of magnificent public gardens, Cranbrook House became - and remains - one of America's outstanding examples of arts-and-crafts design

Booth and his wife Ellen wanted Cranbrook, which would ultimately expand to 315 acres, to serve a more public and educational purpose than simply their home They began to develop their

vision before World War I by building a theater and a meeting house, and by expanding their own home

Educational offerings grew quickly after the war with the establishment of a boys' school, a girls' school, a science institute, and an art school

The role of Cranbrook House has changed since the Booths died in the late 1940s, but it remains a vital part of what is now known as the Cranbrook Educational Community

Not only does the house frequently host conferences and meetings, but thousands of visitors each year enjoy tours of its architecture, furnishings and gardens

Over the years, Cranbrook House developed a number of structural problems, including a weakened terrace, leaking roofs and gutters, loose and falling bricks, and chimney problems, which threatened the future of the institution's main building

Leaks over the library were particularly worrisome since they endangered the house's priceless collection books

The grant from HGTV and the Restore America A Salute to Preservation initiative will support the restoration currently underway to repair these problems

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is a private, nonprofit membership organization dedicated to protecting the irreplaceable Recipient of the National Humanities Medal, the Trust provides leadership, education and advocacy to save America's diverse historic places and revitalize communities

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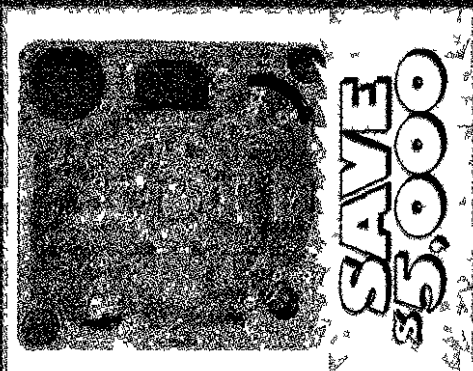
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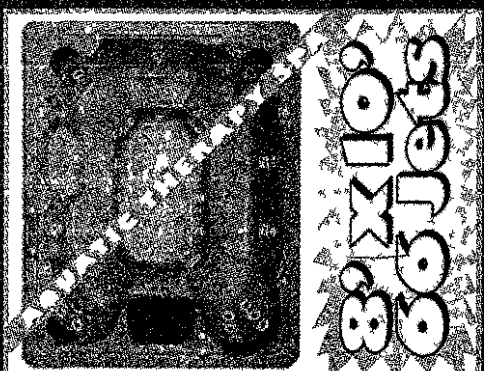
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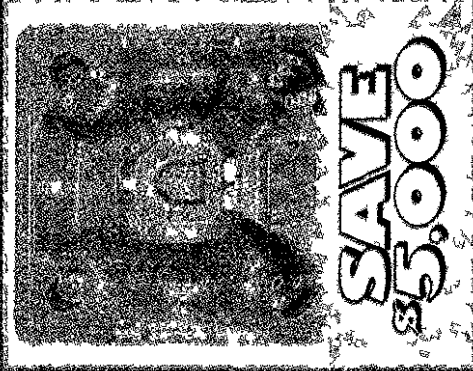
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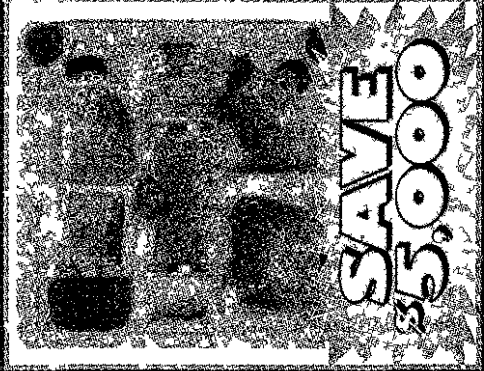
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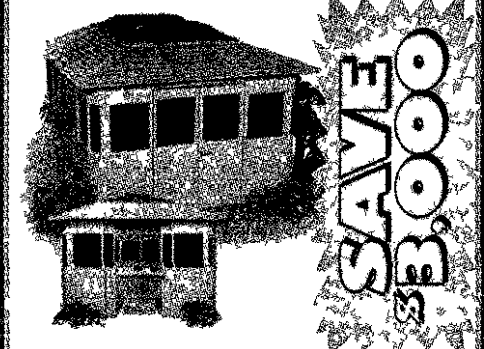
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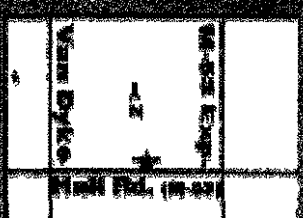
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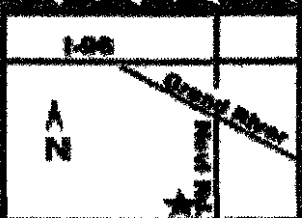
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Turn veggies upside-down in casserole

BY J.M. HIRSCH
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

Because of the volume of recipes that flit through my kitchen, I tend to be a harsh judge when determining which become keepers and which land in the compost pile.

The herd is culled using a few basic criteria, including ease and speed of preparation, and availability of ingredients. But the most likely quality to ensure a long life in my repertoire is flexibility.

Flexible recipes, such as whatever-is-the-fridge soup and omelet-of-whatever-strikes-my-fancy, are the backbone of home cooking. These dishes usually require only basic skills and equipment, but are versatile enough never to bore.

Pasta is the king of flex. I recently topped it with a saute of leftover onion, steamed broccoli, bell pepper, shelled edamame, a handful of grape tomatoes, a splash of olive oil, balsamic vinegar, and a pinch of salt and pepper.

It was easy, delicious and a great way to use up refrigerator remnants.

This bias to flexibility can

leave me frustrated by cookbooks which have the audacity to insist not only that I measure but also that I use specific ingredients.

Then I found Nava Atlas' *The Vegetarian Family Cookbook (Broadway Books, 2004, \$17.95)* - a comprehensive collection of recipes written with my sort of random pantry in mind.

Atlas is good not only at offering recipes that easily accommodate variation, but also at spelling out ideas for changes.

For a superbly simple and versatile main dish, try Atlas' vegetable upside-down casserole. Though I'm not sure what about this dish is upside down, it is a delicious and comforting winter meal perfect for using small amounts of spare produce. Some combinations she suggests include corn, tomato and scallion, broccoli and onion, and squash and spinach.

VEGETABLE UPSIDE-DOWN CASSEROLE

- 3 to 4 cups vegetables cut into bite sized chunks
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 cup whole wheat pastry flour
- 1/4 cup wheat germ

- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup low fat yogurt or soy yogurt
- 3/4 cup low fat milk rice milk or soy milk
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1/4 cup grated cheese or nondairy cheese

Preheat oven to 375 F

Heat a medium skillet over a medium flame. Add olive oil and vegetables and saute until just tender. Time will vary depending on vegetables. Set aside.

Lightly oil a round 2-quart casserole or a 9-by-13-inch baking pan.

Combine the flour, wheat germ, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a mixing bowl. Make a well in the center and add the yogurt, milk and vegetable oil. Stir together until well mixed.

Transfer the vegetables to the prepared pan. Sprinkle with cheese. Pour the batter evenly over the vegetables, gently smoothing it out with a spatula.

Bake for 30 to 35 minutes, or until the top is golden and firm. Let stand for about 10 minutes, then cut into wedges or squares to serve.

CALENDAR

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Cooking demonstrations

Chef Tim Cirka features cooking demonstrations and tastings from Weight Watchers Meals in Minutes. This month Cirka prepares potato and pepper fritatta. Cooking demonstrations at all Weight Watchers locations and centers are open to the public. The demonstrations are scheduled for 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. today at Weight Watchers Center 6183 87 Haggerty (across from Meijer) in West Bloomfield and 5:30 p.m. Monday at Weight Watchers Center in the West Ridge Shopping Center 35699 W. Warren in Westland. Call (888) 3 FLORINE for further information.

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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 Thai and Vietnamese Cuisine 6:10 p.m. Wednesday March 24. Classic French Pastry 6:9 p.m. Thursday March 25 and Be a Sweet Tart 6:9 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.

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 Township. The next

session will give a demonstration on turkey polpettone, 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 Tuesday, 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 VisiTech 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 American Meatout

Kick the meat habit at the 20th Annual Great American Meatout noon 4 p.m. Sunday, March 28, at the Gerry Kulick Community Center 1201 Livernois in Ferndale. Admission is \$5 for adults and no fee for children under 12.

Oakland Community College

Enjoy a Grand Culinary Buffet at Oakland Community College, presented by OCC's Culinary Studies Institute 11:5 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, March 28, on the third floor of Building J on the

Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills. The buffet features a great 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.

Great Lakes Great Wine

The Ninth Annual Great Lakes Great Wine Walk Around will be presented on Thursday, 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.

Fund-raiser

A black tie optional gala fund-raiser Saturday, April 3, will celebrate the Schoolcraft College Culinary Arts Department's new home in the VisiTech Center. After a strolling buffet, patrons can bid on a five course meal for 50 at the American Harvest Restaurant. The food will include an assortment of hot and cold appetizers, hot entrees, breads, pastries and desserts. All food will be prepared by the Schoolcraft culinary arts students under the supervision of executive and certified master chefs. VisiTech Gala tickets are \$150 per person with \$90 of that amount tax deductible. All proceeds will support the culinary arts department. For more information or tickets call 734-462-4400 Ext. 5661. Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads just west of I-275.

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HEALTHY

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her cooking school

Several hundred students have attended the whole-foods, hands-on cooking classes Wilson has taught in her home since 1997.

Her students were a major impetus behind the cookbook. "Everyone was asking for one. And it's always been a dream of mine to write my own cookbook," said the Brighton native who fell in love with cooking as a kid in the family kitchen.

Perceptions in Healthy Cooking offers more than 100 original recipes for appetizers, salads, entrees, desserts, beverages and breakfast. They're high-fiber, sugar-free, dairy-free and vegetarian. The cookbook explains the health benefits of ingredients and includes a glossary and preparation tips, as well as some of Wilson's spiritual poetry.

Wilson discovered a niche for herself. "I've tried to come up with recipes that are foolproof, because I know when I first got started, I'd buy a cookbook, follow a recipe to the 'T,' yet I had a lot of failures," she said.

Her recipes are simple, she said. "I consider my recipes to be quick," Wilson said. "I've received great feedback. The recipes do work and come out perfect every time. I have gone out of my way to create dishes that taste delicious."

Nina Johnson, an elementary school teacher from Detroit, attests to that. A regular at Wilson's cooking school, Johnson has transformed her diet. She now eats whole foods exclusively.

"You do any amount of research and you will be surprised at what you find out," Johnson said. Johnson's 10-year-

old daughter Ria often joins her at Wilson's classes.

Johnson said food contains so many pesticides and additives that she believes they are a major contributor to heart disease, diabetes and many degenerative diseases. "A lot of these diseases aren't happening in people who eat closer to nature," Johnson said. "We need to go back to whole foods and whole grains."

Johnson notices that she no longer feels as sluggish as she once did. "I feel so much better. I have more energy. I feel younger, I feel healthy. I lost weight, too," she said.

Wilson embraces the philosophy of Michio Kushi, the father of macrobiotics, who says a balanced diet — based on whole grains, beans, fresh local vegetables and sea vegetables — eliminates cravings for unhealthy sweet and salty foods.

"Being a vegetarian is a personal decision you make at a soul level," Wilson said. "Doctors and scientists are now saying that high-fat food such as meat clogs arteries and can lead to heart disease."

ORGANIC FOODS

Wilson uses only organic foods — food grown without pesticides or chemical fertilizers and with no genetically modified organisms. Why?

"The best reason I can think of is taste," Wilson said. "Try a comparison of an organic carrot and a non-organic carrot. The organic one is going to be sweet and wonderful. The non-organic one will be bitter in taste. And when it comes to fruits, you cannot even compare the two. The organic ones are so sweet and juicy. This is because chemical sprays are bitter tasting."

The chemicals are made to kill bugs, Wilson said. "If they kill bugs and we ingest them, how

long will it be before they will have some ill effect on our bodies?" Wilson asked.

The price of organic food is dropping as more consumers demand it, Wilson said. "I don't think there's a better place to put your money than toward the food that goes into your body, because that makes up the essence of who you are," she said.

"In the long run, wouldn't you rather pay for good-quality food for preventive medicine than for a doctor and prescription drugs for some ailment that you have?"

Wilson prefers whole-grain flours to bleached or enriched flours. Instead of sugar, she uses grain sweeteners. "Sugar spikes your blood sugar level and can contribute to many diseases," Wilson said. "Fats and oils have gotten a bad rap, but you need some good quality fat to strengthen cell and capillary structure and to lubricate the skin and hair."

Steer clear of hydrogenated oils, she added. "Hydrogenated oils contain trans-fatty acids, which raise cholesterol," she said.

Val Wilson will teach a cooking class on sugar-free desserts 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 24, at Whole Foods Market, 1404 Walton in Rochester Hills. Wilson also will appear from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 17, at Zerbo's, 34164 Plymouth Road in Livonia. She'll offer free samples of her cooking and grocery shopping tips. *Perceptions in Healthy Cooking* is available for \$12 at Zerbo's, the Good Food Co., 42615 Ford Road, in Canton, and Health Unlimited Natural Foods, 938 Monroe, Dearborn.

For information on Wilson's cookbook, videos, or spring and summer cooking series, visit www.macroval.com or call (734) 261-2856.

HEALTHY RECIPES

QUINOA SALAD

1/2 cups quinoa*
2 cups water
2 carrots, diced small
2 scallions, sliced thin
5 radishes, diced
1/2 cup walnuts, roasted and chopped
1/2 cup raisins

Bring the 2 cups of water to a boil. Add quinoa and simmer for 20 minutes. When done, mix with the vegetables.

Dressing:

3 tablespoons umami vinegar**
3 tablespoons brown rice vinegar
2 tablespoons olive oil

Mix the dressing ingredients together. Pour dressing over salad and mix.

Refrigerate and serve chilled.

*A strong plant that flourishes in harsh conditions, quinoa gives the body endurance and energy. It is easy to digest and high in lysine, an essential amino acid. Quinoa is higher in protein than any other grain.

**Umami vinegar is a salty liquid that comes from fermenting umeboshi plums.

CORNY TOFU PATTIES

1 pound firm tofu, crumbled
3 tablespoons tamari
1/2 onion, diced small
1/2 cup corn
1 carrot, diced small
5 white mushrooms, cut up small
2 tablespoons parsley, minced
1/4 cup dulse* soaked then cut up
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 teaspoon curry
1/2 teaspoon sea salt
1 1/2 cups corn meal
1/2 cup water (use dulse soaking water)
olive oil

Marinade crumbled tofu in tamari for 30 minutes. To lock in the flavor of the vegetables, saute them individually. Saute the onions in olive oil until translucent. Remove onions from the pan or move them aside, making room for the carrots. Saute the carrots for about five minutes.

Remove carrots, or move them aside in the pan, and saute mushrooms for 5 minutes.

In a large mixing bowl, mix the marinade and tofu with the sauteed vegetables. Add the rest of the ingredients. After all is mixed, form into small patties. Heat 1/2 inch of olive oil in a saute pan until oil is hot. Fry the patties until brown on each side. Drain the patties on paper towels before serving.

*Dulse is a purple-reddish seaweed vegetable high in iodine and iron.

TEMPEH BURGER

1 package tempeh* crumbled
1/2 onion, minced
1 garlic clove, minced
1/2 teaspoon basil
1/2 teaspoon sage
2 tablespoons tamari
1 tablespoon dulse (cut up)
1 tablespoon tahini
1/2 cup walnuts (ground up)
1/2 cup barley flour
2 tablespoons water

In a bowl, combine all ingredients. Mix, using your hands. Form into patties and brown on each side by sauteing them in toasted sesame oil.

Serve on whole grain buns.

*High in protein, tempeh is a meat substitute made from cooked and fermented soybeans.

Note: Tempeh burgers are ideal for a picnic. They can be pre-cooked at home, and heated up on the grill.

PEANUT BUTTER AND JELLY TREATS

1 cup peanut butter
1/2 cup brown rice syrup
2 cups crispy brown rice cereal
1 cup grain sweetened chocolate chips*
1/2 jar fruit sweetened jelly

Mix together the peanut butter, brown rice syrup and cereal. Press the mixture into an oiled square pan, and refrigerate. Melt the chocolate chips on low heat to prevent scorching. Now spread the melted chocolate over the peanut butter crisp. Refrigerate until the chocolate is hard.

Spread the jelly over the top. Before cutting, let it reach room temperature so you can cut through the chocolate. Store in refrigerator.

*Chips that are sugar- and dairy-free.

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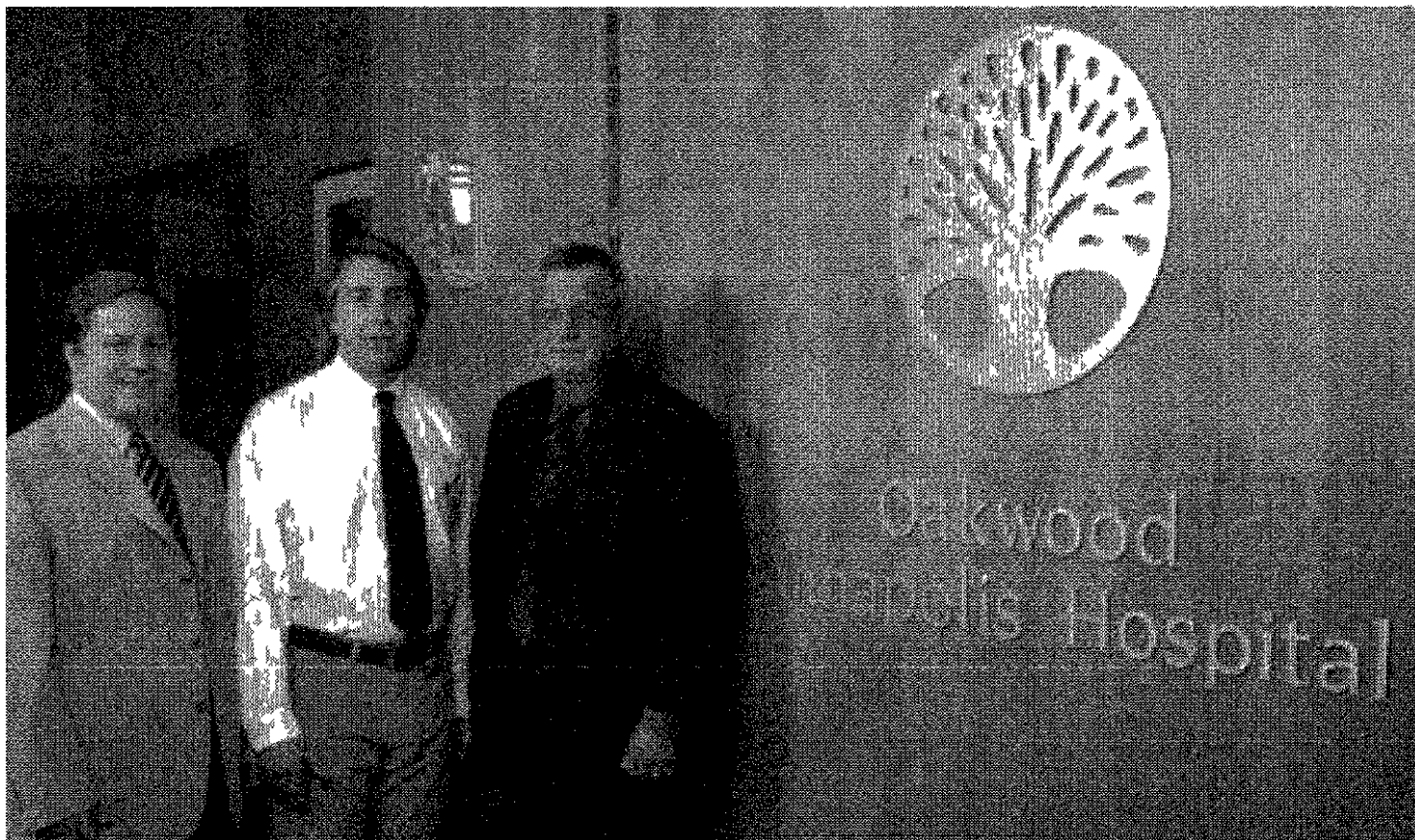
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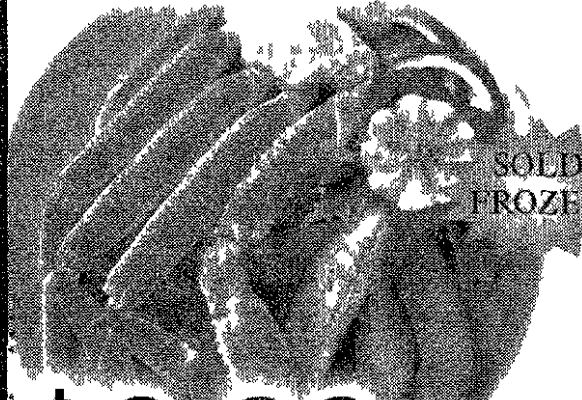
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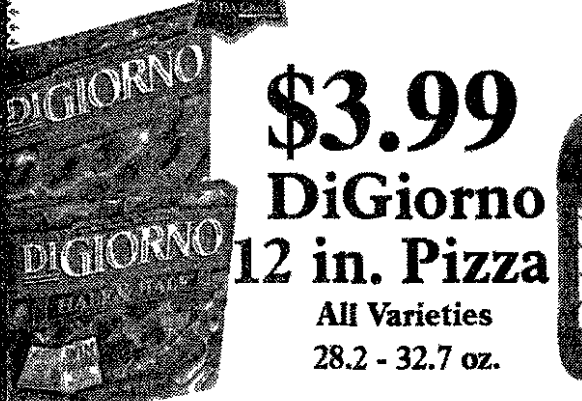


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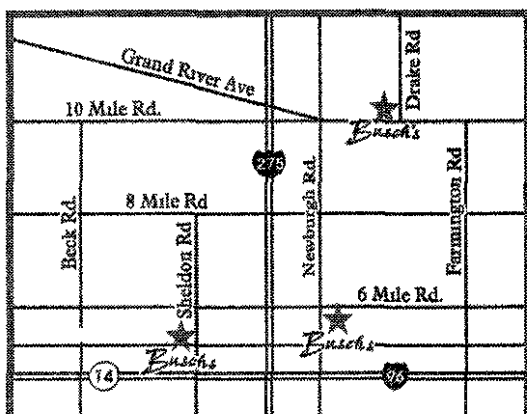


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When I was a boy, living in a small village in the middle of England, bread was delivered to our home. A little van would pull up at the bottom of our driveway and



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the baker opened the back door. Out would come a big wicker basket and he would trudge up to our kitchen entrance. The basket brimmed over with fresh loaves, all different shapes, textures and shades of golden brown.

One deep breath and we wanted them all. How different it is today, when supermarket shelves are lined with innumerable types of bread. But there is no appeal to the senses because they are all wrapped tightly in plastic.

Happily, there are a few places you can go to find fragrant, hand-crafted loaves, their crusts singing as they are pulled from the hearth deck oven.

And, funny enough, the current craze for low carbs is causing more and more people to seek out true Artisan made bread. Several times a day, customers are saying to us, "I'm looking for a really nutritious bread," or "I want my carbohydrates to count - do you have whole grain loaves?" or "which bread is rich in fiber?"

This increased awareness of wholesome qualities is matched by a desire to get away from ingredients on the supermarket packaging that cannot be pronounced and bread that is so soft and "squishy" that it can be squeezed down to half its usual size.

For these reasons, we - and other bakeries making real bread - are using recipes that were followed by village bakers years ago. It's encouraging to see how people are responding.

The conventional wisdom ("You can only sell nutritious bread on the West Coast and in

New York") is being proven wrong. Midwesterners - certainly Michiganders - have made our Swiss Multigrain bread our biggest seller. It contains sprouted wheat (we sprout the wheat berries ourselves), buckwheat, corn, sunflower, flax and sesame seeds, barley malt, sea salt and purified water. It is truly a healthy bread.

Of course, the primary ingredient of bread is flour. And flours vary greatly in quality and performance. Didier Rosada, the director of the National Baking Center, tested some 17 types of flour in this country, to identify which one comes closest to the flour used in France to make the highest quality bread. He isolated one and we have it brought into Michigan for our use. Several home bakers come and buy a 50-pound bag from us and get wonderful results.

Another type of flour altogether is called durum. It's more popularly referred to as semolina flour - typically used to make pasta. The famous Tom Cat Bakery in New York started making big billowy loaves with durum flour. We've followed in their footsteps because the loaves have a rich, nutty flavor and have a beautiful open lacy texture. The golden crust is studded with sesame seeds. The result is a wonderful alternative to bland, white bread.

Real bread provided all-important fiber in the diet, too. In dense and branny rye we sometimes add flax seeds for fiber and texture. Or sunflower seeds in all-rye Volkornbrot.

By the way, Frank Beckmann, the radio host and commentator, came by our bakery a while ago and described how, when he was a boy, his grandmother often had a sandwich of Volkornbrot waiting for him when he got home from school.

She pandered to Frank's sweet tooth by sprinkling sugar on it.

I'd never heard of that custom, but I was aware of honey used on Volkornbrot. That's absolutely delicious.

Different varieties of flour -

wheat, semolina, rye - and added ingredients are part of the allure of real bread.

Sometimes, shape is part of the appeal. And one of the most interesting shapes is to be found next month when Easter is celebrated. It is a bread that originated in Italy, called Colomba Pasquale or in English, Easter Dove Bread.

In the 12th century, the people of Milan waged war against an oppressive emperor. They were victorious. And as they celebrated, two white doves appeared. So, they took this as a heavenly signal, and the Milanese bakers created Colomba Pasquale. They made loaves in the shape of doves. In those days they did so by hand but today we use paper forms in the shape of a dove. The loaves actually go into the oven in the paper forms for baking.

Easter Dove Bread looks wonderful and tastes heavenly. Like the better known Italian dessert bread, Panettone, it is rich in eggs, butter, honey and candied orange rind and orange zest. The top surface is coated with a delicious blend of almonds, egg whites and sugar.

This great Italian creation actually tastes best a day after baking.

If you can resist eating it all in one sitting (few can) you can store it for up to three days. Simply wrap it well in plastic film and keep it at room temperature. (Don't place it in your refrigerator.)

Sadly, few bakeries in America bake authentic Colomba Pasquale anymore because it is so labor intensive. But like many things that are truly special, it's well worth the effort.

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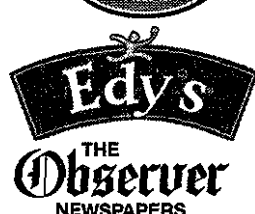
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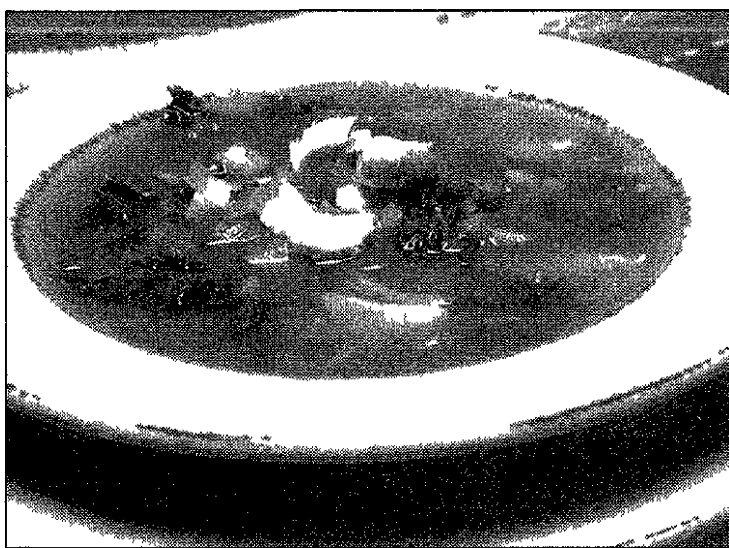
Try mustard greens in chicken soup **Bring on spring with nicoise potato salad**

BY DANA JACOBI
CORRESPONDENT

Mustard greens are one clan in the immense, and immensely varied, brassica family of greens. About all this assortment of vegetables has in common, from a cook's standpoint, is their feisty flavor. Visually, and in texture, brassicas range from the pale white, crisp and sweet-tasting stems of bok choy to the ruffled and zingy leaves of wine-red Japanese mustard greens.

Most of us associate mustard greens with Southern cooking, where the curly leaves of green mustard are stewed into submission, usually along with some part of a pig, and served up as a mess of greens with pot likker. Maybe it is because I am a Yankee, but for me, this tender mustard tastes better briefly wilted in a bit of oil or broth, then mixed into rice or served with beans. I also like it cut crosswise into strips and tossed to simmer in hot soup a few minutes before it is served. These short-cooking methods keep more of the greens' true flavor, which I do enjoy. They also retain more of the considerable good nutrition in mustard greens, which includes vitamin C, beta-carotene, and calcium.

If you prefer less aggressive-tasting greens, look in Asian



Mustard greens and black beans add bite to this chicken soup

markets for poetically named wrapped heart mustard, whose wide leaves, flaring from crunchy, ribbed stems, wrap into a head resembling a muscular romaine lettuce, and red-in-the-snow. This deceptively named mustard green has long, thin stems and bright green leaves. Although the Chinese usually use it to make what they call preserved cabbage, chopping it, then pickling it in salt, it is delicious braised in chicken broth, or added to a stir-fry.

Mustard greens are more tender and far sweeter than kale, collards, or dandelion. They also cook faster than

most other dark, leafy greens, including broccoli raab and Swiss chard. All mustard greens shrink enormously in cooking, so one pound may yield as little as a half cup of cooked greens.

Try them in place of spinach. Baby mustard greens are often included in the elegant salad mix called mesclun, where they add just a nice amount of bite.

CHICKEN SOUP WITH GREENS AND BLACK BEANS

- 2 teaspoons canola oil
- 1 small red onion, finely chopped
- 1 small green bell pepper, seed

- 1 medium tomato, seeded, cut in 1/2-inch dice
- 1 medium tomato, seeded, cut in 1/2-inch dice
- 6 cups mustard greens, lightly packed, cut in 1/2-inch strips
- 4 cups fat free reduced sodium chicken broth
- 1 cup canned black beans, rinsed and drained
- 3/4 cup (3 ounces) shredded cooked chicken

Heat oil in medium Dutch oven or large saucepan. Sauté onion and pepper over medium-high heat until onion is translucent, about 4 minutes. Add tomatoes and greens. Stir with wooden spoon until greens collapse and are bright green, about 3 minutes.

Pour in chicken broth. Bring to boil, reduce heat and simmer until greens are tender, 15 to 20 minutes.

Mix in beans and chicken. Cook until they are heated through, about 5 minutes. Divide soup among four bowls. Sprinkle a tablespoon of the cheese over each and serve.

Makes 4 servings

Nutritional information per serving: 142 calories, 4 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 14 g carbohydrate, 14 g protein, 6 g dietary fiber, 706 mg sodium.

Dana Jacobi writes for the American Institute for Cancer Research and is author of *The Joy of Soy*.

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Potato salad is a versatile staple, and in certain variations it can be a light meal in itself. That's the case with this low-fat, quickly made potato version of the classic *salade nicoise*.

You don't have to wait for summer greens to refresh cold-season palates with this tangy combination — although, now that spring asparagus is about to become available, that could well be one of the special pleasures of this recipe.

Serve the salad for a light lunch, with crusty bread if you wish, perhaps with soup for a starter. Or let it be a side dish for a more substantial meal.

SPRING NICOISE POTATO SALAD

- 8 small red potatoes, uniform in size (about 1 pound)
- 12 asparagus spears, steamed or otherwise cooked, drained
- 6 ounce can white tuna in water, drained
- 8 radishes, trimmed
- 1/2 cup pitted Kalamata olives

- 2 tablespoons minced red onion
- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley
- 4 teaspoons olive oil
- Salt and pepper

Leave skin on potatoes, quarter and place in large pot, pour over enough water to cover. Set over high heat and bring to a boil. Boil 10 minutes, or until potatoes are tender, drain. Arrange potatoes on platter with asparagus and cool to room temperature, about 10 minutes. Meanwhile, next to potatoes and asparagus arrange tuna, radishes, olives and onion. In small bowl, whisk vinegar, parsley, and oil, drizzle over salad. Season with salt and pepper, serve at room temperature.

Makes 4 servings

Nutrition information per serving: 216 cal, 14 g pro, 24 g carbo, 8 g fat, 13 mg chol, 451 mg sodium, 3 g fiber

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Make your halibut Mediterranean

Fewer Americans are cooking today than in the past. One government agency reports that the percentage of households that cooks an average of once a day declined from 44.3 percent in 1993 to 40.5 percent in 2001. That change might seem negligible, but 4 percent equals about 11 million people.

According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Americans spent 26 percent of their food budgets away from home in 1959. By 2000, that figure grew to 47 percent. Other researchers found that buying commercially-prepared meals - including heat-and-eat packaged foods from supermarkets - has steadily increased.

Even though we know commercially-prepared meals often aren't the most healthful, we choose them for convenience. But there are ways to cook nutritious meals quickly and easily.

And it's important for your health. Pre-made, highly processed and packaged prepared food or take-out meals

often don't provide enough dietary fiber and other disease-fighting substances. And they are often high in fat, sweeteners and sodium, which are related to such chronic health problems as high blood pressure, diabetes, heart disease and excess weight. By cooking "from scratch," you can take back control over your nutrition, your health and your weight.

Fish has long been considered a healthful food, but recent news about some fish contaminated by mercury, and carcinogens known as PCBs in farmed salmon, have made many people wary.

Health experts advise continuing to eat fish, but with some exceptions. To avoid PCBs, they suggest limiting consumption of farmed salmon to two 3 oz -servings per week (Safer wild salmon is usually available frozen).

High levels of mercury have been found in certain fish - swordfish, king mackerel, shark, and tile fish (golden bass). But many other fish are still considered safe, such as

halibut, cod, orange roughy, trout, hake, rockfish, haddock and monkfish. They are rich in the healthful omega-3 fatty acids that boost health and help prevent chronic diseases.

MEDITERRANEAN-STYLE FISH

- 4-4 ounce skinless fish fillets e.g. halibut
- 2 garlic cloves minced
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 2 medium zucchini trimmed sliced thin
- 1/2 red onion cut into very thin slivers
- 1 strip (about 1/2 inch wide) orange peel
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 teaspoons extra virgin olive oil

Preheat oven to 450° F

Firmly hold one end of the strip of orange peel skin side down on a cutting board. With the other hand, holding a knife at a low, almost horizontal, angle, cut away the white pith, starting at the end being held down and working down the strip. Cut the strip lengthwise into 4 long narrow strips.



Lemon, orange zest and basil flavor halibut fillets

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Cut four pieces of foil about 12 inches long. Place a fish fillet in center of each piece. Rub garlic into fish. Sprinkle lemon juice over fish. Sprinkle one fourth of the zucchini, onion, orange zest strips and basil on top of each fillet. Season fillets with salt and pepper and drizzle with oil.

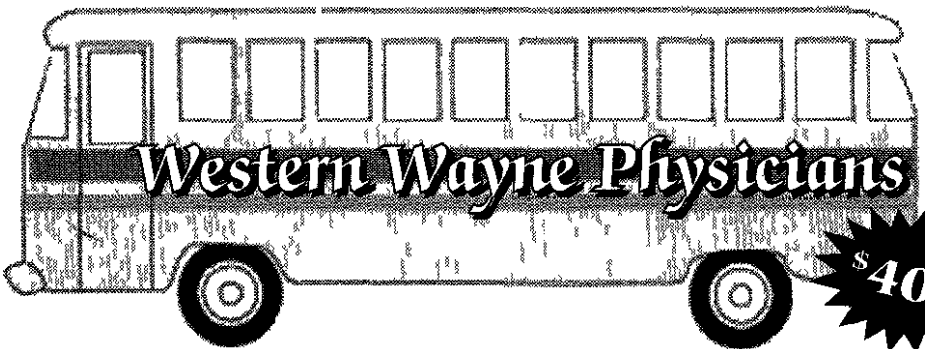
Crimp edges of foil together to seal.

Bake fish 15 minutes. Remove and let cool slightly. Carefully open packets and transfer fish to plates. Top with vegetables and juices and serve. Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional information per serving: 154 calories, 5 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 2 g carbohydrate, 24 g protein, less than 1 g dietary fiber, 62 mg sodium.

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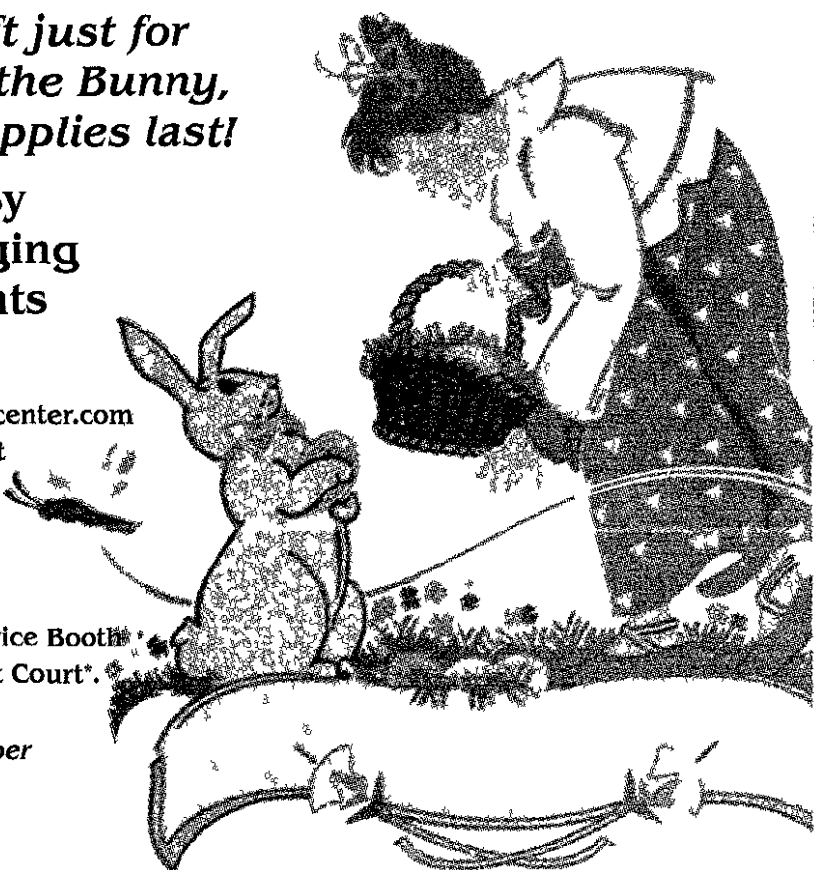
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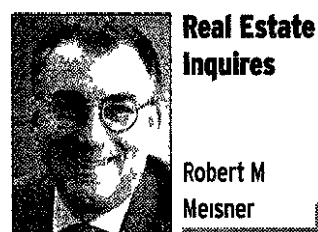


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Unfortunately, home inspectors are not licensed in the state of Michigan or otherwise certified, but the courts have relied on the fact that purchasers who obtain inspectors may be held accountable for defects which are not discovered by the home inspector but could have been observed. The big problem with many of the contracts that inspectors give to prospective home buyers is that their liability is limited to the amount that you pay them. You should check to see that they have errors and omissions insurance and try to delete any limitation of their liability for their undertaking and attempt to get references from them before hiring them to do any work for you. Your real estate attorney may also be a good source of reference for home inspectors.

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Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track* second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@mich.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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Sears made special delivery with homes

BY NORMAN PRADY
CORRESPONDENT

"Dear Sears Please send me a house"

If it's 1920 and you can afford \$2,635 (perhaps aided by Sears' 'Easy Payment Plan'), you might order "The Maywood" from the catalog of Sears Modern Homes.

"Six rooms, bath and porch" would be delivered in thousands of pieces to your nearest railroad station.

Oh, keep in mind that in 1920 the bathroom in some Sears models could be optional if you were staying with your outhouse program. No outhouse? Order one from Sears \$23.

"Between 1908 and 1940," according to the National Trust for Historic Preservation, "Sears, Roebuck & Company sold more than 100,000 mail-order homes, barns and multiple-family apartment buildings. Sears had styles ranging from bungalow to mansion."

Some Sears homes have plaques, often in the basement, indicating pedigree and that they arrived by train. But some don't, and National Trust offers tips to help if you think you might be living in a mail-order house.

"Look for numbered markings on exposed joints and rafters in the attic or basement. Check mortgage records, which might list Sears as the original mortgage holder. Remove a piece of baseboard, window frame or other molding and look for numbering or the label 'Norwood Sash and Door Manufacturing Co.' Check hardware and bath fixtures for numbers or the letters ASR. Search attic and basement for blueprints or a bill of lading."

LOCAL HOME

Or ask Melissa and Brian Iverson what it's like to live in a house that was bought the same way folks then bought dining room furniture, tractors and spring bonnets.

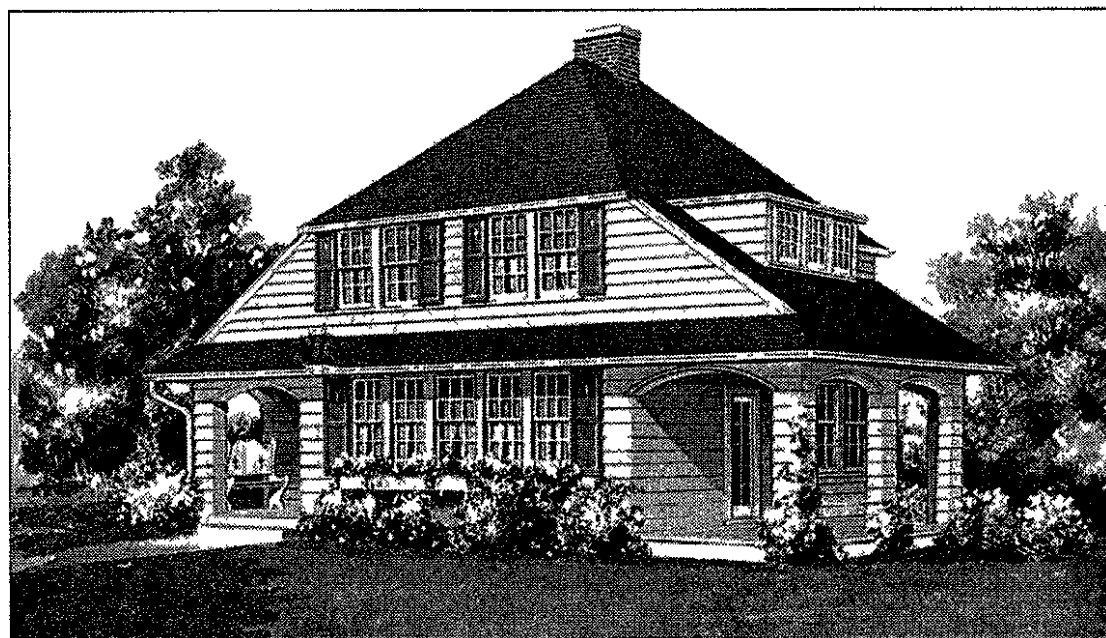
"It's kind of cool," Melissa said of their Sears Maywood. The Iversons had been living in Redford and were thinking of moving toward Lansing to reduce Brian's commuting time to his state of Michigan job as a property inspector. But in 2002 they got only as far as Eight Mile and Middlebelt, Farmington Hills.

"The ad said it was historic," Melissa said, "and when we learned it was a Sears home, it had an effect on us buying it. The little touches. Leaded glass windows. The light comes on when you open the front closet."

Yes, Melissa is thrilled with her front closet, which the catalog tells you "is most convenient for removing wraps on



Melissa and Brian Iverson of Farmington Hills live in this two-story three bedroom Sears House



Here's a picture of a 'The Maywood' from a Sears catalog circa 1920

entering." Imagine. When friends visit, Melissa said, they talk about "the home character and craftsmanship. The cove ceilings, the wood trim and the fireplace mantel that wraps around and extends into the dining room and the kitchen."

Previous owners, she said, added a garage, added a bathroom at the side grade door, updated the electrical — including air conditioning — and screened the porch off of the living room.

Perched on a 120-by-180-foot corner lot, the Iversons' home is 1,450 square feet, "big for its time," Melissa said. She estimates its value now at \$190,000 to \$200,000, perhaps 75 times the 1920s price.

Facing east and "light and airy" with more windows than she can count, the home is filled with "lots of plants — Christmas cactus, Boston fern, corn plant."

Most of their time in the house, Melissa said, is spent in the living room except for porch seasons. The giant birch tree they see from the porch, she said, "probably got here when the house did."

SEARCHING

If you're dreaming of buying a Sears home, it could be possible for your real estate agent to help you find one that's for sale.

According to sales agent Ronni Keating of Snyder Kinney Bennett & Keating, Birmingham, adding the word "Sears" to an online multi-listing search might identify such properties.

Books on the subject, recommended by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, include

■ *Houses by Mail: A Guide to Houses by Sears* by

Catherine Cole, published by National Trust, then by John Wylie & Sons.

■ *America's Favorite Homes* by Michael Davis and Robert Schweitzer, Wayne State University Press.

■ *Homes in a Box: Modern Homes from Sears Roebuck*, a reproduction of the 1912 Modern Homes catalog, Shiffer Publishing Ltd.

Some of the Web sites where you can learn more about mail-order homes are

www.searsarchives.com/homes

www.nationaltrust.org/help/mail-order-homes

www.oldhousechronicle.org/archives

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From 1920 'Sears Modern Home' catalog

"The Maywood" No. C3246 Already Cut and Fitted \$2,645 — a two-story home bespeaks simplicity and worth. Every line is expressive of quality, durability and good taste.

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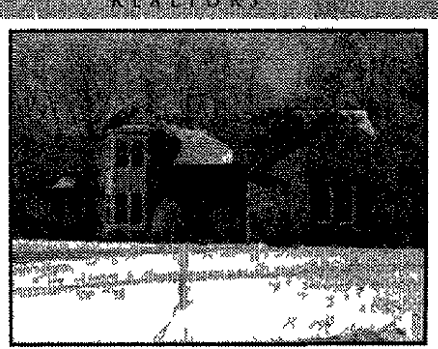
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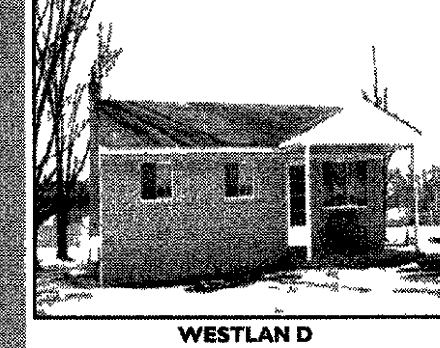
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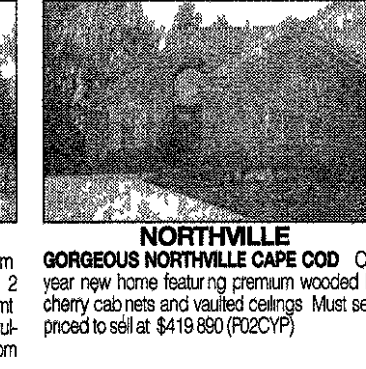
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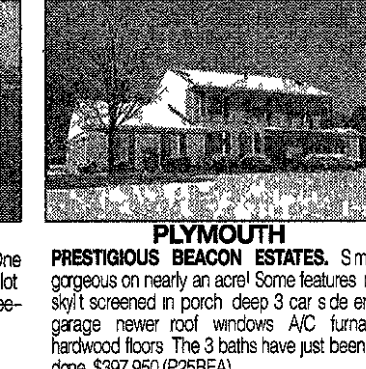
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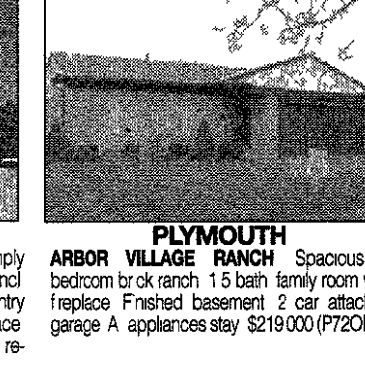
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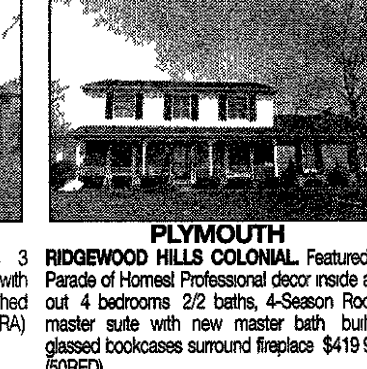
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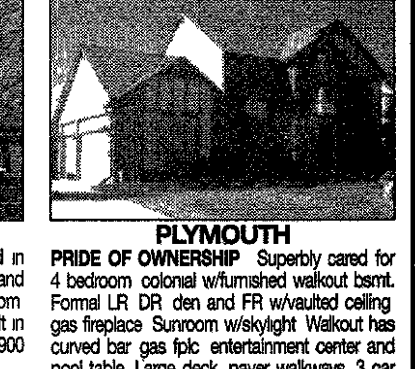
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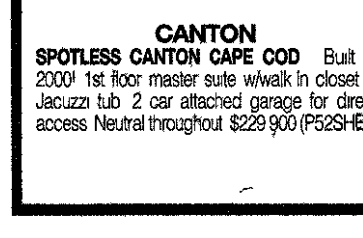
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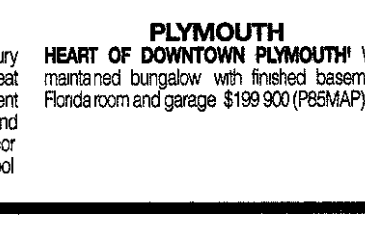
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Honorees sought

"Intent to enter" forms for the 2004 Real Estate Excellence Award, sponsored by the Detroit chapter of Commercial Real Estate Women, are available.

The annual award recognizes two southeast Michigan commercial property developments that make significant positive impacts.

The 2004 competition is open to new construction and redevelopment projects completed between Jan. 1, 2003, and June 30, 2004. The projects must also have involved at least one firm with a CREW-Detroit member, explains Beth Lilley, the award committee chair and first vice president with Bank One Commercial Real Estate in Detroit.

The completed "intent to enter" forms, available from Lynn Trevor at Campbell/Manix at (248) 354-5100 or online at www.crewdetroit.org/docs/04REEA-entrycall.pdf, should be submitted along with a \$100 entry fee by May 31.

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Energy choice

Panel discussion with representatives from the Building Owners & Managers Association of Metropolitan Detroit, Constellation NewEnergy, DTE Energy and Robert Nelson, Commissioner, Michigan Public Service Commission, Friday, March 19, Registration and networking 8 a.m. program 8:45-10 a.m. at the Southfield Public Library Auditorium & Meeting Room, 26300 Evergreen Road, Southfield. For more information call (248) 848-3714 or www.bomadet.org.

Advanced leasing seminar

The XYZs of Advanced Leasing 8:30 a.m. to noon, Friday, March 19, at the Building Industry Association headquarters, 30375 Northwestern

Highway Farmington Hills. Kathleen Mable, president of Ann Arbor based Success On Site Inc., will present information to assist property managers in the training of on-site personnel. Registration fees, including continental breakfast, are \$69 for Property Management Council members, \$79 for Apartment Association of Michigan members, and \$99 for nonmembers and guests. For information call (248) 862-1004.

Home buying seminar

Standard Federal Bank will hold a free home buying seminar on how to select and finance a home 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, March 20, at Peoples Community Hope for Homes, 29051 Currier, Westland. Upon completion of the seminar, participants will receive certificates entitling them to apply for a mortgage loan under Standard Federal's Community Home Buyer's Program. The program is designed to make home ownership more affordable for people with low to moderate incomes and offers many benefits such as smaller down payments. For more information or to register call (734) 722-1280 or (800) 643-9600 Ext. 22532.

Senior homeowner resources

St. John Senior Symposium 6-8 p.m. Monday, March 22, St. John's Conference Center, 44045 Five Mile Road, Plymouth Township. Learn about available resources for senior homeowners in western Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties at this first in a series of free informational symposiums. Linda Barnwell, seniors real estate specialist & Michigan Association of Realtors member, is the moderator. Seating is limited. Call (248) 347-7440 for reservations.

Home you can afford

Find out what price home you can afford and how your credit history can influence your purchase decisions at a free seminar 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, at the Baldwin Public Library, 300 W. Merrill in Birmingham. Sponsored by Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corp. Christine Kageff, loan officer, No charge. Call (248) 649-1062 Ext. 246 for reservations.

Homebuyer workshop

Free home buyer class offered 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 30, by Rosemary Firestone of RE/MAX 100 Inc. and her financial team at

First Michigan Title, Six Mile Road at I-275 in Livonia. No charge, but reservations are required. Call (734) 420-9600 or e-mail info@firestone-team.com. Learn how to avoid the biggest mistakes you can make when buying a home.

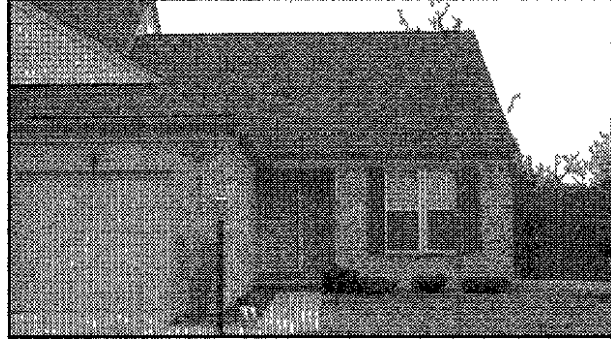
Architecture

James Stewart Polshek 6 p.m. Thursday, April 1, Lawrence Technological University, 21000 W. 10 Mile Road, Room A 200, Architecture Auditorium, Southfield. No charge. Call (248) 204-2880 for information.

Condo class

Nationally known condominium attorney and columnist Robert M. Meisner of Meisner & Associates, an adjunct professor of community association law at Detroit College of Law at Michigan State University and Cooley Law School, is teaching a course, Advanced Condominium Operation: The Essentials for Success, 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays, April 27 to May 18, at the Bingham III Office Park, 30200 Telegraph Suite 467, Bingham Farms. For more information call (248) 522-3618 or Meisner & Associates PC at (248) 644-4433.

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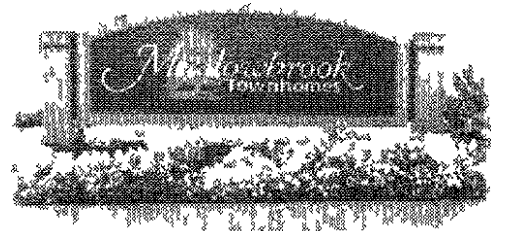
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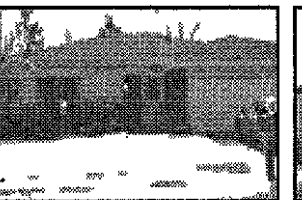
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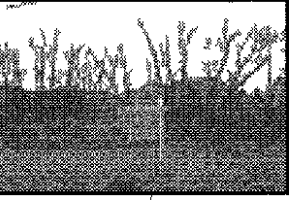
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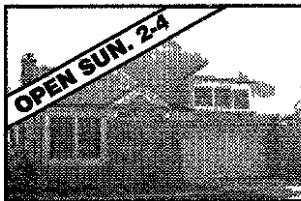
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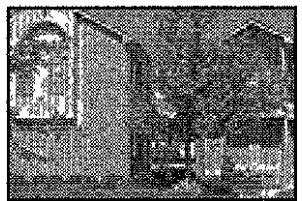
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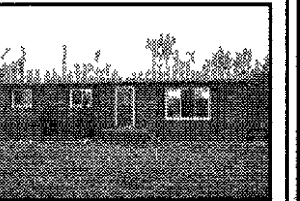
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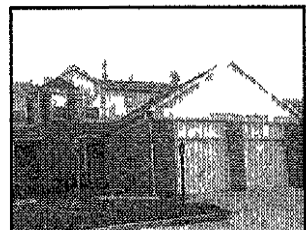
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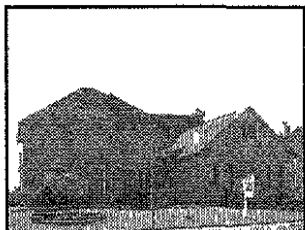
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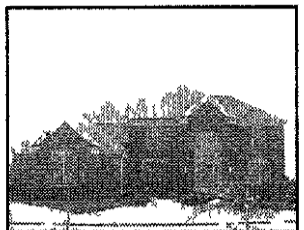
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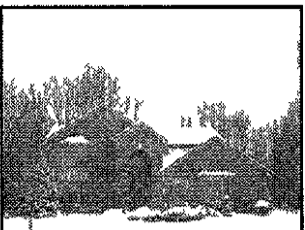
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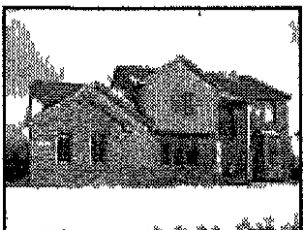
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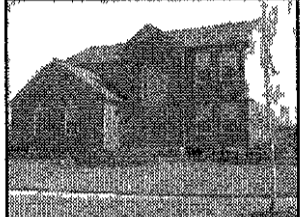
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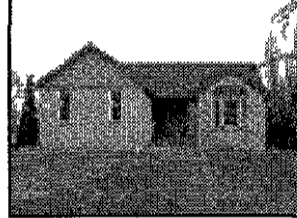
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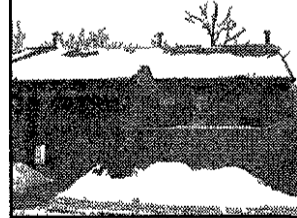
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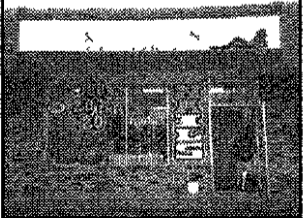
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This attractive 3 bed brick
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garage Partial finished bsmt
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wooded lot hctub Nice sub
with lake & tennis courts
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Canton **3080**
GREAT CONDITION
Great location! 3 Bed brick
ranch Lg kitchen updated
bath bsmt 2 car garage Many
updates! \$188 000 (46MAR)
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1700 sq ft colonial 3Bed 1 5
Bath New roof/carpet fenced
yard Great room w/ cathedral
ceiling/gas fireplace
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2 baths Home backs to pond
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ranch 2 bath full bsmt 2 fire
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Large stream By apt By
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On 1+ acre wooded
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pond superb 4 bed 3 5
bath ranch w/cover ceil
ings plaster walls &
hardwood floors (under
carpet) Living room
w/fireplace dining room
library kitchen w/break
fast room 1st floor
laundry & Florida room
Finished walk out lower
level has family room
w/fireplace Inground
pool w/patio & deck 2
car garage (BR252)

\$345,000 COLONIAL
Updated to perfection
w/new roof windows
furnace floors some
carpet & more lovely
2700 sq ft 4 bed 2 5
bath colonial Formal
living & dining rooms
family room w/fireplace
library kitchen w/break
fast room & 1st floor
laundry Master ste
w/dressing area & private
bath Hardwood floors
C/A Bsmt Breezeway
Deck 2 car garage
w/workshop (OA352)

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Lovely 4 bed 2 5 bath
colonial Living room
dining room family room
w/fireplace kitchen w/
breakfast room & 1st
floor laundry Finished
day lite lower level w/
cedar closet Home has
been updated thru out
incl new furnace & C/A 3
car garage Professionally
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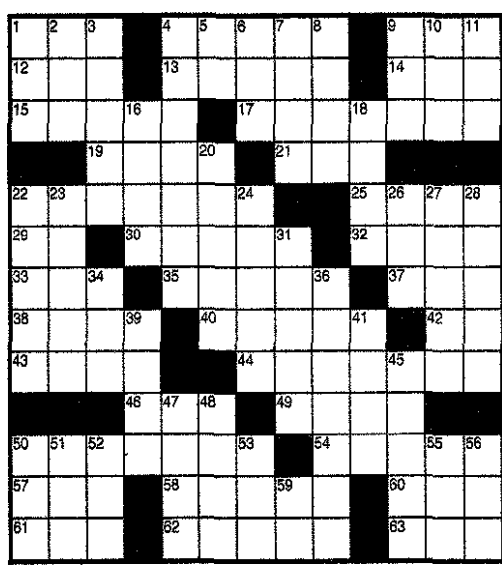
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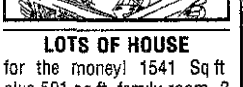
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Sharp 3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch w/2 car attached garage basement great room w/gas log fireplace sprinkler system professionally landscaped yard large oak kitchen w/plenty of counter space

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Boasts 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths cathedral ceilings hardwood foyer oak stand 2 way fireplace basement and 3 car attached garage A wonderful find You must see!

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SOUTH LYON Golf Course Community
Custom home 4 spacious bedrooms 1st floor master & 2-story great room Kitchen offers cherry cabinets ceramic floor custom lighting Professionally decorated and Transfer forces sale of this beauty A must see

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PLYMOUTH Ranch
Beautiful brick 3 BR 2 BA ranch w/newer furnace roof & windows Hardwood floors Large yard & deck Finished lower level Oversized 2 car garage

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PLYMOUTH Great Opportunity
To own this spacious brick ranch in Plymouth w/finished basement 2 car attached garage + updated windows roof C/A furnace & a lot more just waiting for you

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DEARBORN Spectacular & Tranquil
Best describes the view of the 9th fairway from the soaring 2 story window spacious living room open floor plan hardwood floors in foyer kitchen & family room w/replace 2 car attached garage bsmt & appls

(E39TUR) 734-455-5600 \$479,000



PLYMOUTH Custom Build Dream House
Love y 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath colonial w/3 car attached garage 2 fireplaces finished walk out family room library master suite w/jetted tub dual staircases w/2 story foyer

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REDFORD Large Brick Bungalow
3 BR 1 1/2 BA home on large lot Complete roof tear off 02 Wall/side windows 00 copper plumbing updated electrical hardwood throughout 2 car garage great for the mechanic

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YPSILANTI Cute Ranch
Great 3 BR 1 BA home for first time buyers or investor Newer windows roof & HWH Remodeled kitchen w/oak cabinets and an updated bath Brick paver patio n backyard Home warranty included

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CANTON Tee It Up
28 x 10 deck overlooks 13 x 14 hole Extensive finished Cherry wood wet bar recess light carpet bright open kitchen w/angled sink pull out drawers pantry Master w/3 closets 2 car att gar End unit condo

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CANTON Pride Of Ownership
Spacious 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial w/2 car attached garage basement family room w/replace dining room custom crown molding & nground pool All backing to protected woodlands

(E06WIL) 734-455-5600 \$254,900



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/frpc part fin bsmt 2 car att garage Updated kitchen n bath doorwall shingles (stripped) & windows

(E10HAM) 734-455-5600 \$204,700



WESTLAND Welcome Home
Awesome 4 BR 2 BA cape cod w/all the updates newer windows C/A updated kitchen hardwood floors Beautiful yard with a garden Too many items to list Livonia Schools

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PLYMOUTH No Expense Spared!
Magnificent cape cod on prem um lot w/4 BR 3 1/2 BA 3 car gar Every upgrade imaginable including doors fire trim windows elec & plumbing too 2 tier Trex deck & brick paver patio n 12 zone sprinkler cus landscaping

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DEARBORN HGTS Wooded end Unit Ranch
Charming 3 bedroom 2 bath ranch condo w/2 car attached garage partially finished basement great room w/replace dining room breakfast area overlooking deck All in wooded park like setting

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PLYMOUTH Tri Level Near Downtown
Open floor plan Refin hwd flrs for DR w/newer picture w ndow FR on main flr w/gas frplc & door to patio Newer roof 2000 Main bath renovated w/cer tile tub fir & pedestal sink Newer Andersen casement windows

(E25FAI) 734-455-5600 \$229,500



CANTON Golf Course Community
5 BR 3 1/2 BA colonial w/2 car garage 2 story foyer w/hwd flrs FFL master ste w/cath ceilings fin bsmt w/hub counter area for entertaining FR w/frpc office w/French doors sprinkler & sec system Home warr

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WALLED LAKE Updated Ranch
This adorable home has a lot to offer Updates include furnace C/A windows carpet kitchen electrical HWH light fixtures & more Lake privileges Close to downtown Move in & enjoy \$167,000

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MILFORD Former Builders Dream
4 BR 2 1/2 BA colonial located in Orchard Estates on approx 1.6 acres High quality w/o 3 frplcs MBR suite w/garden tub & frplc Sunroom leads to secluded deck State of art kit & appls W/O LL newer deck & furnace

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SALEM TWP Beautiful Country Home
5 bedroom 2 full & 2 1/2 bath colonial built in 2000 approx 2.9 acres Great master bedroom hardwood floors country kitchen & formal dining room Large pole barn deck & gazebo A must see

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SOUTH LYON Country Near The City
Super 4 bed room ranch 2 1/2 baths 8 eat room w/cathedral ceiling master suite 2 fireplaces Deck basement 2 car attached garage Bring your horse 3 acres barn w/hay loft 3 stalls fences shed w/South Lyon Schools

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CANTON Impeccable Voted #1
Exceptional chey kitchen Conran counters designed app's hwd flrs 2 1/2 baths FFL gas fireplace pond setting Kohler fixtures custom t/o deck SS bsmt 2 car attached garage 2 tone paint Robertson built lot

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SOUTH LYON Restored Victorian
Built in 1900 Updates galore w/styl sh decor n quaint downtown area Huge kit w/stand newe cabs (oak) & countertops Refinished hwd flrs/stairway New carpet furnace C/A 03 Wrap around porch Home warranty

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NORTHVILLE Large Family Home
Spacious 4 BR 2 BA quad on large tree lot Roomy family room w/replace Dining room eat in kitchen and library

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PLYMOUTH Premium Location On Lg Lot
This 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath brick bungalow offers character & charm w/cvcd ceilings & hardwood floors spa cous room & Florida room Large master bedroom w/2 walk in closets Beautiful perennial gardens

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PLYMOUTH This One Is A Beauty!
Walk to town from your 4 bedroom remodeled home Newer cherry kitchen w/ceramic floor huge family room w/brick fireplace Updated baths newer doors windows & carpet Partially finished basement

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NOVI Gorgeous House & Lot
Outstanding 3 BR colonial on prime tree cut de sac lot Cheerful decor t/o Spacious kit w/doorwalk to decks & private yard Huge GR w/frpc DR FFL office/hb has French doors MBR w/bath & WIC fin LL too

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MILFORD Remodeling
With stylish decor put this home in a league of its own including kitchen bath and all flooring Walk to beautiful downtown Milford or gaze at Moore Lake from gaze bo and picnic area in back commons!

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NORTHVILLE Downtown Northville
Two bedroom home w/formal DR large living room FR w/vaulted ceiling & gas frplc Updated kitchen baths windows roof furnace & C/A Basement & 1 car att garage Home is on a lot that has a CBD zoning

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PLYMOUTH A Cut Above The Rest
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PLYMOUTH Beautiful Updated
3 bedroom 2 bath home w/abundance of cabs in eat in kitchen FR w/frplc hwd flrs in BR's freshly painted Pella windows w/built in blinds furn C/A & HWH new garage 02 Brck paver patio sprinklers 2 car att gar

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NORTHVILLE Best Of Both Worlds
Extensively remodeled home is located w/in walking distance to town Gourmet kit to die for Open floor plan w/floating staircase to the biliard & family room 3 BR 3 BA 3 frplcs Treat yourself to this gorgeous home

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NORTHVILLE Charming Ranch
3 BR 2 BA home in quiet sub First floor laundry Large kit w/bay window GR w/brick trpic overlooking private yard New roof & gutters 03 New furnace air filter & humidifier 01 Newer carpet flooring lights Full bsmt

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DEARBORN Gorgeous Executive Condo
3350 sq ft ranch presents 9 BR's 3 1/2 BA's in bsmt 2 car att gar n gated comm at the TPC Golf Course overlooking fairway Master ste w/jetted tub & sep shower spacious white kit w/granite counter Reduced \$80,000

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GROSSE ILE Wonderful Colonial
Large 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath home on wooded lot offers master suite w/jacuzzi tub & vaulted ceiling formal living room dining room family room w/frpc first floor laundry fin bsmt 2 car att gar sprnklers & brick patio

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CANTON Gorgeous Executive Condo
Condo features hardwood entry ceramic tile floor n kitchen Maple cabinetry All appliances in kitchen stay Vaulted ceiling 1st floor laundry 2 car garage master suite large deck gas fireplace

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WEST BLOOMFIELD Fantastic Home With View
Enjoy the warm spring days Large LR & DR overlook nger deck Fin LL could be used as in law quarters FFL MBR w/2 WIC & frplc You'll love to cook in the kit 2 car gar Newer roof doorwalls & kit flooring

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NOVI Welcome Home
Totally updated 3 BR 2 BA home w/bonus room w/ri vate entry Great for home business FR all ceramic tiled recessed lighting custom paint 2 car heated garage Walk out LL tiered deck pool & Novi schools

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SOUTH LYON Entertaining Floor Plan
3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath cathedral ceilings Pergo flooring w/warranty C/A large bedrooms brick paver patio ceramic baths walk in closet Very open & airy floor plan Premium lot Plus a home warranty

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CANTON Needs A Little Love
3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial w/fin shed basement 2 1/2 car garage a lot of updates C/A awesome landscaping sprinkler system large corner lot Bank owned good investment opportunity

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WEST BLOOMFIELD Lake Living At Its Best
3 BR 3 BA 2 story home in quiet bay location on Walnut Lake Spacious master ste w/his & her's baths & WIC GR w/Travertine marble fireplace and great view of lake White kitchen and sun filled breakfast room

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WESTLAND Meticulous Colonial
4 BR 2 1/2 BA home on quiet cul de sac Peaceful tree lined backyard 2 car attached garage full bsmt gas frplc newer windows including bay window in DR Pool w/custom 2 tier deck Livonia schools

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LIVONIA Cute & Cozy
Ranch home w/friendly at home feeling Hwd floors fur bsmt w/wet bar & full bath Newer windows gutters glass block windows blinds screened in porch shed built in oven & range Newer frng profess Indocp

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CANTON Classic Elegance!
Custom built on approx 1 1/2 acre lots Foyer w/wrought iron & wood trimmed staircase 2 story GR w/frplc crown molding kit & master BA w/gran to tops All 3 BR's w/bath & WIC Full bsmt w/walk out & 3 car att gar

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CANTON Sunflowers Finest!
4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonial w/newer cer floor in foyer, kit & powder room LR opens to for DR w/newer hwd flrs k1 w/newer cherry cabs Conran counters FR w/gas frplc newer Andersen doorwall to deck + 2 car att gar

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NOVI Excellent Buy In Now
Spacious 4 BR 2 1/2 BA 2 story offers a popular floor plan w/kitchen open to FR Frplc lib/office cathedral ceilings LR and DR MBR suite w/WIC & bath FFL pre mium sized lot Side entry garage & multi tiered deck

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WESTLAND Vintage Updated Colonial
Old world charm & character w/modern updates Newer carpet kitchen cabs HWH C/A windows & more 3 roomy BR's 2 full updated baths Formal LR & DR Partially finished basement 2 car attached garage

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FARMINGTON HILLS Condo Convenience
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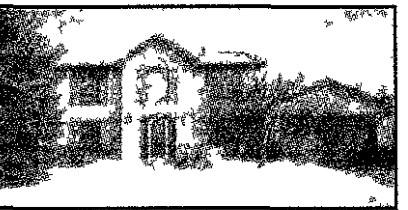
CANTON \$419,900
LOCATION! LOCATION! LOCATION! Rare find! Enjoy court location which backs to a pond w/ ftn. Mstr 1st flr 3 car gar w/heat W/O bsmt den off foyer hrwd flrs in kit foyer nook & hlwy (B47539)

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GREAT CURB APPEAL 4BR 3 1/2 bath with Pergo new paint French doors crown molding in den bay window wood trim Fin bsmt drywall 1st floor laundry Gazebo deck perennials (R956)

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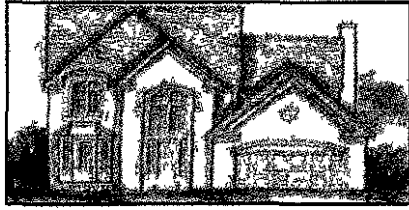
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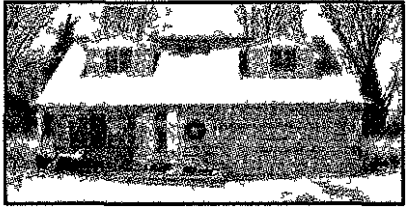
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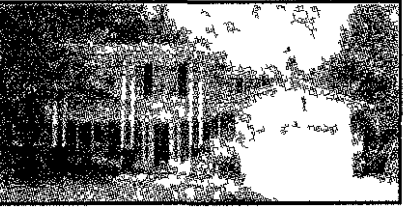
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NEW CONSTRUCTION IN BROOKSHIRE Premium elevation now being constructed 4 BR 2 1/2 BA oak hrwd flrs thru out ceramic in BAs & laundry mstr w/jacuzzi & sep shower oak kit 2144 SF & more (C29959)

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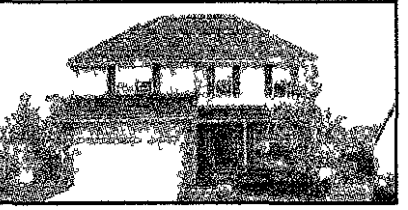
LIVONIA \$284,900
LOVELY BURTON HOLLOW CAPE COD New siding ft dr & gar dr Newer roof 97 repmt vinyl win updated kit w/all appl updated baths new carpet 98 Swm clb & elem school in sub Home warranty (12W002)

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NOVI \$278,900
BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL IN WHISPERING MEADOWS Spacious 4 BR home w/large Master Suite & Bath Wooded yard and front sidewalk a real plus Newer roof furnace & windows Home Warranty provided (09SUN2)

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NOVI \$275,900
GOLF CLUB COMMUNITY, MAPLES OF NOVI Detached condo 4 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths fam rm/cathedral ceiling fireplace Generous deck overlooks a nice open area dining room full basement 2 car att garage (14PAL2)

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NOVI \$269,000
OVER 1/2 ACRE IN NOVI! Almost 2000 SF 2001 bilt 3 BR 2 1/2 BA Colonial w/formal DR/sunken LR den FR open flr plan & Novi schools Must see! (36CLA2)

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HOWELL \$264,900
BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL IN LAKE COMMUNITY Lakeshore Pointe site condo Access to Thompson Lake Walk out basement Four bedroom colonial (44RAV2)

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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 master 2 addition! BR s & den upper 2 FP (P1886)

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WESTLAND \$245,000
ABSOLUTLY GORGEOUS HOME IN BEAUTIFUL SUB Aside from the lush landscape & beautifully maintained exterior this home is mint & ready for you to move right in! Large deck leads to submerged pool and more! (S727)

734 326-2000



CANTON \$239,900
LUXURY GOLF COURSE VIEW CONDO 2 bedrooms 2 1/2 baths has professionally finished Sports Bar basement w/separate office or bedroom w/1/2 bath 2 car att garage Low association fee (P165)

734-326 2000



LIVONIA \$239,900
HERE'S THAT NEWER RANCH you've been looking for 3 BR 2 BA GR w/cath coil FP & wet br mstr w/full ba cath coil formal DR lg kit huge part fin bsmt 2 car att'd gar & more (O28277)

734 591 9200



YPSILANTI \$238,900
BETTER THAN NEW! Upgrades & extras done! Professional landscaping deeper bsmt extd hrwd flrs C/A upgraded cbnts Sittng rm or 4th bdrm Kit appl included Move right in! (23H7629)

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PLYMOUTH \$212,900
YOU'LL RECOGNIZE FINE CRAFTSMANSHIP 3 BR 1 1/2 BA brk colonial tastefully decorated w/ xtra special touches Lg eat in kit w/oak cabinetry FR w/gas log FP remodeled bath hrwd flrs & much more! (C9343)

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PLYMOUTH \$201,900
A CHOICE LOCATION IN PLYMOUTH! Walking distance from downtown limited traffic sub 1236 SF 3 BR s 1 1/2 BA s low maintenance in & out Brk FP in FR 2 car gar newer wndws furn HWH & more! (A42520)

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LIVONIA \$199,900
NEW OPPORTUNITY IN POPULAR KIMBERLY OAKS Loaded w/updates like a new kit & wndws beautiful fieldstone gas FP brk paver patio & more This 1377 SF ranch is looking for new owners! (B32755)

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NOVI \$197,900
A WELL CARED FOR HOME! A perfect blend of comfortable living in this nice 3 BR ranch Formal LR & DR cozy KIT w/all appl nice patio and fenced yard (82LEB2)

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NORTHVILLE \$188,000
SOUGHT AFTER HIGHLAND LAKES CONDO! Spacious 2 story unit w/Att Gar! Updated Kit w/ walkin pantry 3 BR 2 1/2 BA Full Fin Bsmt Garage Patio w/built in gas grill and beautiful gardens Great Buy! (72QUE2)

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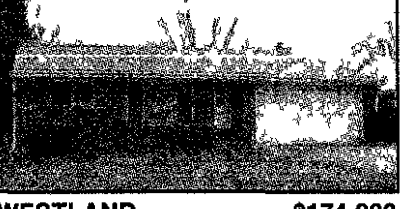
NOVI \$179,900
OUTSTANDING NOVI OPPORTUNITY! Great potential here! 3 bedroom home on nearly 3/4 acre lot! 2 Garages great for cars boats etc! Screened porch Newer Roof! Novi Schools! Warranty/Fireplace! (50STA2)

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NORTHVILLE \$179,900
CONVENIENCE STYLE, FUNCTIONALITY! Immediate occupancy in this end unit with all appl incl Newer carpet paint & lg Indry rm w/lots of storage Neutral decor 1 car gar fin bsmt Hurry! (G21228)

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WESTLAND \$174,900
OUTSTANDING RANCH & GREAT LOCATION Great 3 bdrm 1 1/2 bath ranch w/many updates Redone oak kitchen w/newer appliances that stay! Bath redone w/Jacuzzi Full bsmt 2 car att garage (32TON2)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$169,900
DEARBORN SCHOOLS Fantabulous custom ranch 3 bdrms 2 baths large eat in kitchen natural trim marble sills finished bsmt newer furnace and C/A 2 plus car garage and more (R667)

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WAYNE \$144,900
EXPAND WITHOUT EXPENSE This is a 1 400 sq ft 3 bdrm brick home W/ 1 1/2 baths Remodeled oak kitchen W 2 1/2 car garage hardwood floors newer windows & central air conditioning (C451)

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS \$144,900
DEARBORN HEIGHTS HOME! 3 bedroom brick ranch west of Telegraph Updated kitchen & new carpeting throughout 1 year home warranty with 2 car oversized garage (23R6190)

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GARDEN CITY \$142,900
GREAT LOCATION!! South on Venoy from Ford to Hennepin 1 block West Recent updates shingles & siding on house & garage Doorwall from BR leads to wood deck in backyard (H332)

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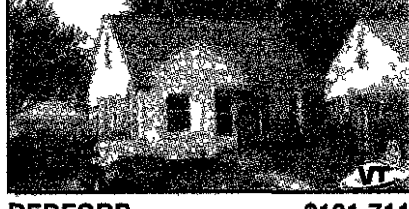
REDFORD \$139,900
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WESTLAND \$134,900
LIVONIA SCHOOLS 3 bedroom brick ranch w/ major updates Newer windows roof siding 2+ garage hardwood floors Part finished basement w/full bath dry bar Appliances stay (F827)

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REDFORD \$131,711
EVERYTHING YOU ARE LOOKING FOR! Full brick Three BRs! Fin bsmt 24x24 block garage newer windows rf shingles electrical copper plumbing & carpet Remodeled white kit privacy fenced yd (I20455)

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WESTLAND \$129,999
QUIET STREET 3 bedroom brick Bungalow with newer vinyl windows ceramic bath hardwood floors under carpet glass block windows in basement 2 1/2 car garage (B145)

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REDFORD \$124,900
LOOK NO FURTHER! Great home with lots of space! Lg lot bsmt & att'd 2 car garage updated lg kit newer furn & hwh new half bath in bsmt newer wndws & a FP in living rm (W15491)

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ROMULUS \$124,900
TIME TO MAKE YOUR MOVE! Nice size home with 4 bedrooms LR FR all appliances Newer windows attached garage Large yard & in a popular sub! (23C16252)

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REDFORD \$124,444
WOW! 3 bdrm brick ranch newly painted bsmt too! Bleached oak cbnts new wndws bsmt glass block New crptng HWH hrwd flrs copper plmbng circuit breakers gar (23F20372)

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NOVI \$119,900
BEST DEAL AROUND! Newer neutral carpet kitchen & bath cabinets/floors and paint All appliances stay new furnace low association fees (23V39757)

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REDFORD \$114,900
LOCATION QUALITY VALUE, AND CHARM! 3 BR bungalow has it all Updates include rf furn a/c bath rm elec vinyl siding All kitchen appliances stay along w/washer & dryer One yr home warranty (G17430)

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Warren MI 48092
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Mfg plant in Dearborn is looking for a Maintenance person Candidate must have background in electrical mechanical and pneumatic maintenance on production and packaging equipment Experience necessary Competitive salary and benefits Send Resume and Salary requirements to PO Box 1486 Dearborn MI 48121

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Leading race engine supplier has the following opportunities for highly motivated team players

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Candidates must have minimum of 2 years actual hands on engine build experience in the racing industry and be conversant with rebuild machining techniques and operation Basic computer skills are also required

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Seeking to fill 7-10 positions pull pack & ship orders \$8.95/hr to start Excellent benefits after 90 days Union membership after 60 days Pre employment drug screen required Apply in person The Harvard Drug Group Allied Commerce Center Corner of Plymouth & Merriman 31778 Enterprise Drive Livonia

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Medical office full time 15 Mile/Telegraph area Call 248 932 8220

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Service Technician
Westland based water heater/boiler supplier is looking for an individual that has hands on experience in service & installation of commercial/industrial water heaters & boilers Primary duties include telephone support of others during installation/service & shop technical support Salary plus bonus 401K paid vacation medical & dental benefits Call 734-419-0200 or email cmartin@hamiltonengineering.com

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Shift leader
For fast growing distributor hours 3:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 1 year management experience Apply at 28115 Lakeview Dr. Wilkom MI 48393 248 446 4500 or fax to 248 446 4508

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WAREHOUSE
Importer of marble & granite looking for self motivated team player to assist with warehouse functions Responsibilities include receiving and unloading shipments daily deliveries and assisting with customer orders Qualifications include excellent communications and math skills ability to lift up to 70 lbs and Hi to experience helpful Benefits include BC/BS medical and dental paid holidays and vacation Fax resume (248) 478 5543 Attn Rich Homer

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WARRANTY/SERVICE TECH
Immediate opening NW Wayne County residential builder Prior experience a plus Please fax resume to 248 646 3529

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Needed for repair & fabrication shop Must have own tools Knowledge of trailers helpful Excellent wages & benefits RESUMES ONLY 7780 Ronda Drive Canton MI 48187

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WINK-JET Mailing machine operator mechanical & computer skills needed Exp a plus Willing to train the right person Full time Resume to Mailing Services 45525 Grand River Novi MI 48374 email sales@jpscolor.com

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CASE ADMINISTRATOR
Responsibilities include new case input review and analysis of legal pleadings attend hearings and respond to inquiries on cases Qualified candidate should be self motivated with superior mathematical analytical verbal and written communication skills Bachelor's degree and legal (bankruptcy) background a plus Salary range (\$15 \$18 per hour) Salary commensurate with experience

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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Full time for Livonia medical equipment co Peachtree experience preferred but not necessary will train Fax resume to 734 522 9380

Help Wanted-General 5000

Accounts Payable Specialist
Needed for a non profit organization in West Bloomfield Responsible for full cycle accounts payable including matching coding batching check runs accurate credit and debit memos assistance with month end processing and backup for accounts receivable 2+ years of experience required
Send resume to K Cierpal 6600 W Maple Rd W Bloomfield MI 48322 E mail kcierpal@ccdet.org or fax to (248) 432 5540 No phone calls please The JCC is an equal opportunity employer



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DENTAL RECEPTIONIST
Experience needed Full time Call 248 433 6000 Ask for Diane

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST
For Farmington Hills office Full time Mon Thurs 9-5 Dental exp req Benefits Call Lon at 248 553 2150

Dental Receptionist/Administrator
Full time new office great staff benefits great hours exp only Novi 248 476 3800

Dental Staff
Fabulous Garden City dental office looking to add staff to our continually growing practice. If you are an experienced assistant lab tech or front desk staff person please fax your resume to Michael Riech DDS at 734 522 4043 or email to mreiechdds@hotmail.com

FRONT DESK
Our busy Southfield Dental Office is seeking a part or full time **Financial Coordinator** with good communication skills who knows dentistry & dental insurance. Computer experience a must. Dentrix preferred. Mon Thurs 12 Mile & N W Hwy 248 356 8790

FRONT OFFICE
Two positions available 1/Ann Arbor 1/Northville area. Dental office exp req. Good communication patient service & organization skills req. Call 1 800 734 4245

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Hiring a full time ASSISTANT helpful Call Kathy 248 888 0836

Help Wanted-Medical 6060

Assistant Director of Nursing/RN
The Manor of Farmington Hills focuses on catching staff doing things right! We currently have an opening for an Assistant Director of Nursing. Long term care experience required. Management experience preferred.

If you are a team player committed to excellence contact Christ Hamstra DON at 248 476 8300

CERTIFIED X RAY TECH/MAMMO TECH
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Full/part time All shifts available. Benefits available for full time. WCLS trained only. Livonia area. Contact Debbie at 734 524 1361

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Entry level full time position available at multi doctor Internal Medicine office in Troy. Fast paced physically stimulating environment. Accepting faxed resumes ONLY. 248 267 5001 Attn Kat

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private career school in Redford is looking for allied health professional to teach medical office skills to medical assistant students. 3+ yrs field experience and computer knowledge a must. Certificate/degree required. Will train to teach. Part time 2-3 days/week. Call 313 794 6448

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Creative vocational day treatment program for ex-offenders with head injuries. Part time/full time. Medical 401k/benefits. No week ends or evenings. Need caring and enthusiastic persons. Call Joe or Kathy at Cassell & Associates (248) 615 6020

LAB OPTICIAN
For private practice in Farmington Exp desired. Part/full time 248 888 1198

LPN OR MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Busy urology office-needs nurse 25-30 hours per week. Urology experience preferred. Medical office experience required. Send resume to Dawn at 734 434 8777 or to dawncar@sbcglobal.net

LPN/HHA/MA's
All areas/all shifts. Work for the best OUr patients need your loving care. Excellent pay. FAMILY HOME CARE 810 229 5683

Help Wanted-Medical 6060

MEDICAL ASSISTANT/RN
Teach Medical Assistant students in adult career setting in Ann Arbor. Must have good clinical skills, knowledge of A & P and related office experience. Must have appropriate education 2/3 mornings a week \$72.80/session. In service training provided. Call 734-434 7320 or Fax resume 734 434 8579

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For small office full time experienced Computer skills & transcription ability required. Southfield/Farmington Hills area. Fax resume to 734 451 0813

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\$100 REWARD Medical billing company looking for new medical accounts/billers. Send resumes to oerasmus@oehomecomm.net (0834)

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Office Manager
Needed for a busy Cardiology office in Livonia. Must have 5+ years experience. Fax resume attn Michelle at 734 464 3368

ON CALL COORDINATOR
Home care agency looking for On Call Coordinator to work 5pm-8:30 am & wknds. Full time w/benefits. Staffing exp preferred. Fax resume to 248 424 7240 attn Jamie or Pat

RN
Full/part time for fast paced allergy practice. Competitive wages. Excellent benefits. Call 734 434-3007 Fax 734-434-6317 Email jblackburn@ataofaa.com

RN Immediate Position
Available for RN to work in plastic surgeon's office. Experience preferred. Email resume medjobs4u@aol.com

RN'S
Operating room experience. Full time Mon-Fri days. Send resume to Joan Gott RN Strath Hospital 23901 Lahser Southfield MI 48134 or fax 248 357 0915

RN MANAGER
experienced in operations supervision community relations skilled care MDS/OASIS experience helpful. Excellent growth potential. Please send resumes with salary requirements to Box 0838 Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Rd Livonia MI 48150

SURGICAL BOARDER
Growing ENT Pediatric Surgical practice (Mon-Fri) Experienced only 5+ years. Excellent wages and benefits. Fax (248) 372-4906

X RAY TECHNICIAN
Must be ARRT registered. Orthopedic experience a plus. Part time flexible day time hours. Farmington Hills 248 737 1970 ext 107

Help Wanted-Food/Beverage 6080

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WAIT STAFF PANTRY / GARDE MANGER
Full Benefit Package including 401k Apply in Person 2 2 0 220 Merrill Street Downtown Birmingham

CHEF MANAGER
Needed at Fresh Seasons Market to oversee food production for this gourmet foods store. Full time day position offers benefits (paid medical vacation & 401k). The preferred candidate will have culinary degree and exp in pastry catering meat fabrication & sanitation. Creativity a must. Retail food exp a plus. Salary will reflect exp. Send resume or apply in person 228 W Liberty Ann Arbor MI 48103

COOKS
Part time nights Golf benefits. For golf course in Plymouth Call 734 453 1900

DELI COUNTER HELP
for busy Italian market in Livonia flexible hours good pay. Please call Maxine or Mario at 248 478 2345

DELIVERY BUTLER
Mobile waiters needed to deliver food for Chili's & other restaurants to local business customers. Lunch & Dinner shifts available. Cash paid daily. Must use own vehicle. Please call 248 482 1100 9am-11am or 3pm-5pm

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The 2004 Chrysler PT Cruiser

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BY DALE BUSS

The PT Cruiser, and Chrysler's handling of this model, are difficult to react to with indifference. When the car came out in March 2000, it made a memorable splash on the automotive scene, its 1930s-era retro styling issuing a definitive design statement like few other vehicles were doing in those days. And yet by now, I find myself getting more than a little tired of PT Cruiser's downsized aerodynamic styling. The novelty certainly has worn off for me.

As a potential buyer of PT Cruiser nowadays, I would find myself thinking: Is this really a car that I want in my driveway? And what does it say about me if I do - that I'm just a little too late to the 'hip' parade? Maybe it's just the fact that in metro Detroit, particularly in Oakland County, the numbers of Chryslers on the roads are overwhelming, so there's absolutely no delight in seeing a PT Cruiser out and about anymore. All I think is: That's being driven by the kid of a Chrysler executive.

Here's another dilemma: I greatly admire Chrysler designers and executives for having the confidence in their own convictions to bring out this lively sprite of a vehicle in the first place, because there really was no pre-existing template for the niche that it sought to create by combining dramatic styling with some of the interior roominess of the growing number of crossover vehicles of the time. All artistic and cultural issues aside, it's an automotive achievement for sure.

Nevertheless, when Chrysler announced a couple of years ago that it was going to expand its manufacturing capacity for the hot-selling PT Cruiser, I remember thinking that they were absolutely crazy. It told me that they had risked making the basic mistake of extrapolating that the PT Cruiser fad, which was based more on its refreshingly different look than anything, would be just as hot today as it was then. As it turned out, they were a little bit right, but so was I. Chrysler has continued to sell PT Cruisers at the rate of about 135,000 a year, but demand and interest have cooled



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substantially - and in some cases, Chrysler dealers are having to offer incentives on the vehicles.

Having said all that, let me reassure that the 2004 PT Cruiser is making the most of this product proposition. I drove a GT Turbo version of the car, and I found it exhilarating and fun to drive, a cinch to park, a joy to use to haul around people and cargo, and cool - though not eye-catching - to be in.

Wisely, Chrysler has done little even to tweak the styling that was such a hit when PT Cruiser came out, combining the retro look that evoked gangster movies with modern touches such as dual-beam flush headlights and teardrop-shaped taillight lenses. The GT is distinguished from the other models by its chrome exhaust tips, larger grille and air intakes, and a spoiler on its liftgate, however, the spoiler is an option on the other models.

The car is impressively compact, nearly six inches shorter than the Neon subcompact on whose mechanical platform PT Cruiser is based. Yet at 63 inches from pavement to the top of its roof, PT Cruiser also is seven inches taller than Neon and nearly as tall as some minivans.

Crucially, that allows PT Cruiser to function as much more of a cargo hauler than other small cars, a practical aspect of the vehicle that often gets short shrift because of how nifty the design is. Also, there is much more room in the rear seats, especially head room, than in competing small cars, enhancing the PT Cruiser's practical value.

Turbocharging brings a lot to the PT Cruiser lineup the model that I drove, with a 2.4-liter overhead-cam turbo engine and a five-speed manual transmission, truly performed like a pocket rocket, darting away from standing stops and accelerating smartly through all the demands of city and highway driving.

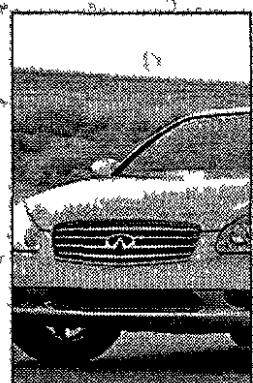
Inside, controls are laid out very accessibly, and smart chrome accents help to drive home the retro look. Overall, the interior design is smart and sassy, just like the rest of the vehicle.

PT Cruiser works handsomely as a design concept, a statement of style and as a practical vehicle. The only question for Chrysler, and for its customers, is for how long.

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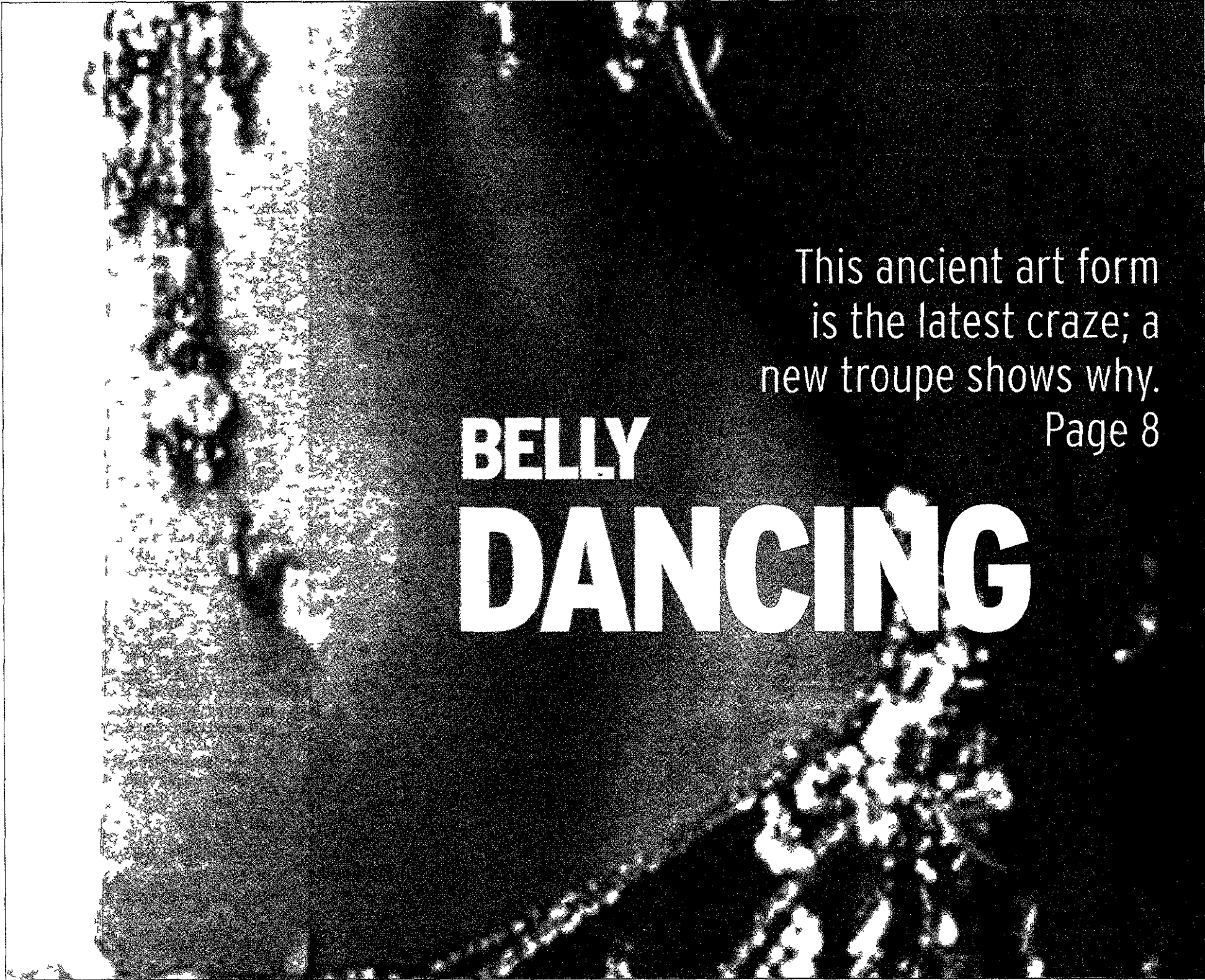
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Metallica film to hit art houses

Head-banging and art cinemas don't seem like words that fit together, but they do.

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With that in mind, it makes sense that the documentary, *Metallica: Some Kind of Monster*, has been acquired by IFC Films for U.S. theatrical distribution as part of a unique partnership with the hard rock band Metallica.

This new distribution strategy could expand the audience for specialized films, integrating art-house audiences with mainstream fans.

The film is expected to hit Michigan this spring. It was directed by critically acclaimed documentarians Joe Berlinger and Bruce Sinofsky, who also created *Brother's Keeper*.

Metallica: Some Kind of Monster played to sold-out crowds at the 2004 Sundance Film Festival.

It's an almost unprecedented opportunity to bring together the resources of the world's most successful hard rock band with savvy distribution partners such as IFC and Paramount, said Berlinger.

The filmmakers followed Metallica's personal and professional lives during the creation of its Grammy-winning CD *St. Anger*. Among other things, the film includes footage of a group therapist helping the band communicate more openly and productively. In the serious therapy sessions, subjects are unpredictable and include topics of substance abuse and the band's notorious crusade against Napster.

Berlinger and Sinofsky shot 1,600 hours of footage and were present for some of the most turbulent times in the band's history, including rehab stunts and replacing of band members.

This is one of the rawest films I've ever seen, said Jonathan Sebring, president of IFC Entertainment. 'It's not just about Metallica as a band, but really how these men relate to each other. That's what makes it so interesting. The moments captured are utterly real. We have such respect for Joe and Bruce as filmmakers and specifically what they've accomplished in this film.'

The release is planned to coincide with Metallica's spring tour.

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What: The film *Metallica: Some Kind of Monster*

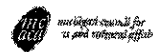
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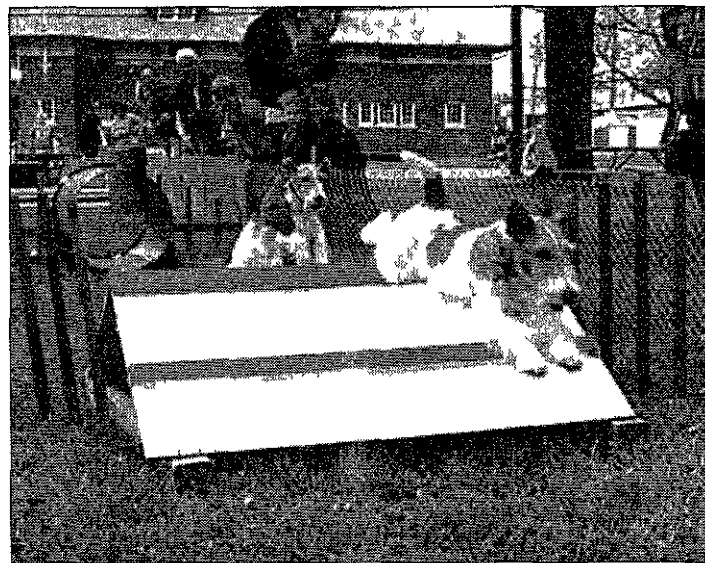
"Oh my dear, we have people four deep all around the course," said Carol Wainwright, who's overseeing a series of non-competitive terrier races at the 92nd Detroit Kennel Club Dog Show. Slated Saturday, March 20, and Sunday, March 21, at Cobo Center in Detroit, the show concentrates on traditional breed competition but builds in numerous less pedigree-oriented events. Activities run 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. with the Best in Show competition starting daily at approximately 6 p.m.

In other words, there are plenty of activities for the novice, those of us who just love dogs but don't know a thing about breed class and ring competition

A GOOD TIME

"It's fast, it's fun, it's just a good time," Wainwright said of terrier racing, which is scheduled at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. both days in Ring D. A variety of breeds are set to race, including West Highland White, Welsh and Fox terriers.

Another event sure to please the crowd is the show's Alaskan Malamute dog sled team demonstration. The team runs in the



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Among the many non-competition activities at the Detroit Kennel Club Dog Show is terrier racing

Iditarod Trail Race, a 1,100-mile competition in Alaska, and is set to appear with Arctic equipment in tow at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. both days in Ring C.

Other activities outside the ring include a duck herding demonstration put on by the Border Collie Society of America, freestyle acrobatic routines by canine members of the ProPlan Performance Team and "So You Want a New Puppy," a series of discussions about popular breeds led by experts.

Non-competitive events have been a growing component of the dog show for more than a decade, said Erik Bergishagen, Detroit Kennel Club president and owner of Jagersbo Kennel in Troy. "People are so dog-minded these days."

Besides, dog shows have gained mainstream popularity of late. The primary reason: The shows are being televised nationally, said Bergishagen. "That's started to get people interested in seeing them live."

In fact, ESPN plans to film this year's Detroit Kennel Club show, which features about 2,000 dogs and more than 150 breeds. Broadcast of the event is planned for sometime this summer.

The Detroit Kennel Club show is also a benched competition, meaning every competing dog is required by the rules to be on display for visitors when they're not appearing in the ring.

There's only a handful of benched events left in the United States even though the venue is an ideal way to educate the public and help future dog owners select a breed.

"It gives people a chance to put their hands on the dog and talk to the breeder," said Bergishagen. "These days, everybody wants a dog."

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'Secret Window' no surprise to King fans

BY DAVID GERMAIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Johnny Depp and John Turturro can elevate almost any movie, and they do lift the psychological thriller *Secret Window* a bit above the morass of horror clichés that

riddle this latest Stephen King adaptation

Yet Depp's manic tics and Turturro's menace carry only so far. The secrets of *Secret Window* are obvious almost from the start, and much of the movie comes off as a reread of earlier King tales about

writers wrestling evil doppelgängers or wacko readers

The movie begins with promising moodiness as director and screenwriter David Koepp quickly establishes the scenario. Successful author Mort Rainey (Depp) catches his wife (Maria Bello) in bed with her lover (Timothy Hutton). Six months later, Mort's a basket case with writer's block, alone with his dog at a cabin in the woods, unable even to put pen to paper and sign the couple's divorce settlement.

A booming knock on his door awakens Mort from one of his daylong snoozes on the couch.

At the door is John Shooter (Turturro), a bullying Mississippi redneck who accuses Mort of plagiarizing his short story and demanding that things be put right between them.

Mort angrily dismisses Shooter, who leaves behind his tattered manuscript. Unsettled by the similarities between Shooter's tale and a story he published years earlier, Mort tumbles into a nightmare of escalating terror as his tormentor moves from threats to ugly deeds.

FIDGETY CHARACTERS

Koepp, who directed *Stir of Echoes* and wrote *Panic Room*, has a flair for capturing fidgety characters in claustrophobic spaces. With *Secret Window*, Koepp again

wrings solid dramatic punch out of comparatively limited character interplay.

Depp's left alone prowling and ranting much of the time, and he admirably turns his comic jitteriness from last year's blockbuster *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl* toward alarmingly spastic hysteria here.

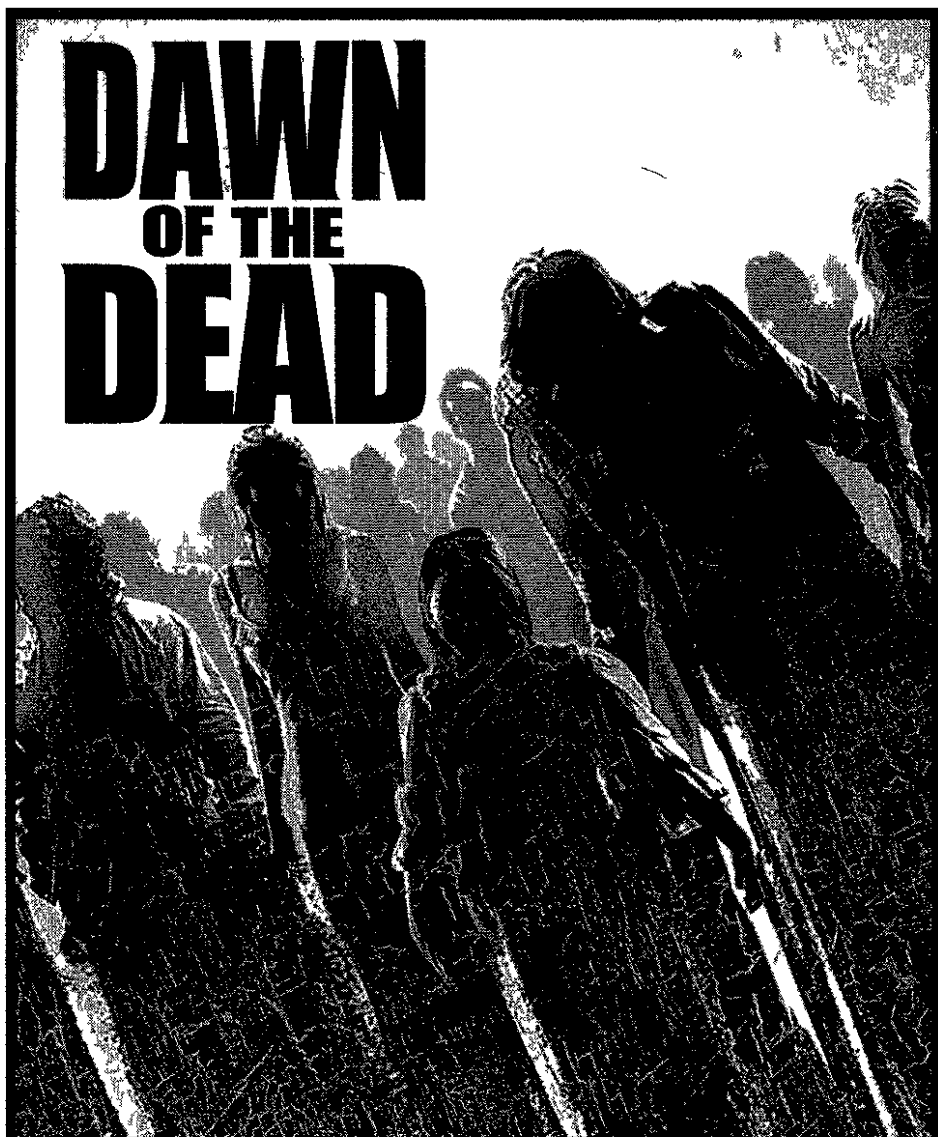
Turturro, though doing little more than a straight version of the Southern drawl he copped in *O Brother, Where Art Thou?*, brings creepy intensity to Shooter's confrontations with Mort.

Bello nicely captures the conflicted antipathy and affection a spouse feels for her ex.

But Hutton and co-stars Charles S. Dutton as a gumshoe Mort hires to ward off Shooter and Len Cariou as the hapless local sheriff are largely filling up space in shallow roles.

The real problem is that *Secret Window* borrows so heavily from conventions in any number of old fright flicks. The movie is laden with recycled elements from King's own *Misery*, *The Shining* and *The Dark Half*, and unless you're a virgin viewer of horror tales, you'll likely see the plot twists coming a long way off.

Secret Window released by Sony's Columbia Pictures is rated PG-13 for violence/terror, sexual content and language. Running time: 97 minutes. Two stars out of four.



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JONATHAN WENK

Johnny Depp stars as the troubled writer Mort Rainey in Columbia Pictures' psychological thriller 'Secret Window'

More movies

Cynical 'Spartan' musters little suspense

BY DAVID GERMAIN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

When action talks louder than "Mamet-speak," the world of David Mamet is a much less intriguing place.

Building on the broader cinematic palette of 2001's robbery adventure *Heist*, *Spartan* continues Mamet's move beyond the pyrotechnic verbal interplay that dominates his earlier films, such as *The Spanish Prisoner* and *State and Main*.

Mamet has become a much more visual, big-picture filmmaker, rather than a playwright adapting his stage medium to celluloid.

His characters still talk tough in *Spartan*, a bleak, cynical thriller about a clandestine operative (Val Kilmer) going rogue to rescue the U.S. president's abducted daughter, whom no one in the administration seems to give a hoot about.

Yet the action of *Spartan* is so choppy, the transitions so abrupt, and the pacing so deadeningly unvarying, the movie musters little suspense. Kilmer and his castmates seem programmed like robots, running thither, barking orders and firing bullets in a series of obtuse plot convolutions that undermine the covert military authenticity Mamet strives for.

The writer-director largely leaves his usual-suspects repertory of performers behind, with only regulars William H. Macy, Ed O'Neill and Clark Gregg along for the ride, all in small roles with little dimension.

Spartan is purely Kilmer's story, the tale of an anything-for-king-and-country agent who grows the nub of a soul over his Machiavellian inhumanity as he comes to realize the depths of his government's heartlessness.

Kilmer's Robert Scott is a career military man accustomed to handling the most bloodthirsty tasks.

When he's called in on the kidnapping of the president's college-age problem child Laura Newton (Kristen Bell), Scott dispassionately lays waste to any obstacles in his path, with no regard to his victims' guilt or innocence.

The hunt abruptly ends with news that Laura drowned in a sailing accident.

The nation mourns and Scott heads home with a shrug, slavishly accepting his superiors' determination that the

abduction angle was a wild goose chase.

But Scott's young acolyte Curtis (Derek Luke) has doubts. Based on a couple of slim clues Mamet clumsily injects, Curtis becomes convinced Laura is alive and on her way to a grim, short life in a Mideast sex-slave ring.

After a strangely implausible eruption of gunplay, the doubting Scott also is convinced, determining his commanders would rather sacrifice Laura to conceal unsavory presidential secrets that led to her disappearance.

Scott becomes a one-man strike force in pursuit of Laura, his "Rambo" act pitting him against the government he served so ably and allies he once trusted with his life.

Mamet dialogue often is best spoken stoically, but Kilmer's delivery is so deadpan that the tough, oblique phrasings turn flavorless.

The exchanges are so tiresomely repetitive, they become almost a spoof of Mamet-speak, a harsh, skewed, slangy style of talking without necessarily communicating straightforwardly. Mamet apparently could not get the phrase "Where's the girl?" out of his head, so he lets just about everyone below it at least once.

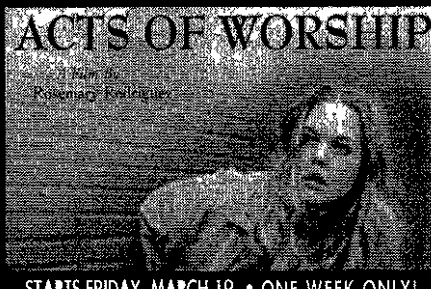
One of the few parleys that truly resonates comes as a character explains to Scott how a king of ancient Sparta would stungly send a single soldier when a neighboring ally requested military aid.

Sounds like a more interesting story than *Spartan*.

Spartan, a Warner Bros. release, is rated R for violence and language. Running time: 106 minutes. Two stars out of four.

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New Bond game a cinematic thrill

BY MATT SLAGLE
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Imagine a James Bond movie where you control what happens. That's the idea with *James Bond 007: Everything or Nothing*.

This new action-adventure video game isn't some hackneyed film spinoff — it's one of the best movie/video game combinations I've played.

Everything or Nothing redefines high production values for video games. From the moment the MGM lion roars at the beginning to the climactic showdown, the graphics, gameplay and music are polished to a high gloss.

The actors should be commended for venturing into the digital realm. The story is typical Bond fare, but it really comes to life with the use of real people.

Willem Dafoe voices Bond's archrival Nikolai Dravlo, a crazed ex-KGB agent bent on using nano-robots to take over the world.

Guiding Bond through globe-trotting missions is M (Judi Dench). The rest of the cast includes Heidi Klum as the tra-

torous Katya Nadanova, geologist-turned-Bond-babe Serena St. Germaine (Shannon Elizabeth) and hulking, metal-mouthed fan-favorite Jaws (Richard Kiel).

Bond (Pierce Brosnan, naturally), engages in the usual witty banter during frequent life-or-death situations involving gorgeous women and high-tech gadgetry.

Unlike the movies, you won't have time to munch popcorn. You'll have your hands full controlling Bond. This game swings from laughably easy to maddeningly tough.


The game rewards so-called "Bond Moments," where you think and act like the super agent.

Bond fan or not, owners of the GameCube, Game Boy Advance, PlayStation 2 or Xbox are in for a treat with this \$50 game, which is rated T for teen.

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Cover story

Passion of the dance

Bellydance Superstars come to the Magic Bag — and further into the mainstream

The Belly Bus will roll into town on Saturday, March 27, and the country's best-known belly dancers will be ready to teach, perform and try to bring the dance form into the mainstream.

If their plans go well, belly dance will be the next *Rwerdance*

The mastermind behind the idea is Miles Copeland, former manager for Sting and the man known for bringing the Police, R.E.M. and The Bangles to stardom.

The dancers, known as the Bellydance Superstars, will perform on Saturday, March 27, at the Magic Bag in Ferndale.

The dancers will also present workshops at The Community House in Birmingham. They're designed for anyone interested in belly dancing, regardless of knowledge. Students will learn basic belly dance moves, choreographed dance routines and more. They can also purchase belly dance gear at the workshops — skirts, traditional belts with coins, music and instructional dance videos by the Superstars.

"These are American belly dancers. America is ready for something new," Copeland said. "It's sexy, but not voyeuristic. It's an art form. It's strong and it's definitely not subversive."

GROWING TREND

This month, CNN called belly dance the fastest growing dance and fitness trend in the country. Belly dance lessons are replacing salsa classes at many nightclubs. Arabic music is being accepted into America's mainstream.

For Copeland, the challenge of making belly dance mainstream is reminiscent of his days bringing punk to the masses.

"Punk was a challenge to the system and in many ways belly dance is too," he said. "It's a challenge to age because any age woman can study this dance. It's a challenge to the relationship between men and women, it empowers women."

It's sensual, it's strong, and what's most surprising is the audiences are predominately women. What's amazing is that women love to watch belly dancers and it's not



Ansuya will teach a belly dance workshop open to newcomers and experienced dancers at The Community House on March 28.

SEE THE BELLYDANCE SUPERSTARS

What: A cast of America's best known belly dancers

When: 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Saturday, March 27

Where: The Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale

Tickets: \$20 available at the Magic Bag box office, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday, or all Ticketmaster outlets. To charge by phone, call (248) 645-6666. For more information, visit www.bellydancesuperstars.com

Workshops

Noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 27; 12:30-4 p.m. Sunday

March 28 at The Community House, 380 S. Bates

Birmingham. \$50 for each workshop. Register online at www.bellydancesuperstars.com

Learn the dance

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an unpleasant experience for their boyfriends or husbands either. They can go watch beautiful dancers with them. Also surprising, said Copeland, is today's dancer is not Arabic.

"When I put this troupe together, I couldn't find an Arabic dancer," he said. "For years there's been an incredible underground movement nationwide of white American women learning belly dance. They're celebrating this amazing Arabic music. They're literally all ages, they're all sizes and they support each other. It's about femininity and beauty."

The Magic Bag show will feature different styles of Middle Eastern dance. Audiences will see Egyptian style, American tribal style, dance with a little humor in it, dances with flowing veils and much more. The costumes are elaborate and the music can be hypnotic. Twenty-five percent of the show is live — several of the dancers play drums, finger cymbals and other instruments.

Copeland's goal is also to promote the sultry Arabic sounds of Hakim — a musician for the Superstars.

Until recently, dancers were primarily seen at Arabic restaurants like Village Cafe and Prestige in Dearborn or at festivals. Copeland wanted to provide a theatrical stage atmosphere for this art form, so he brought the Bellydance Superstars to Lollapalooza.

Musicians like Shakira and Beyonce added Arabic moves to their choreographed dances. Musically, there's a trend to mix Moroccan beats to hip-hop and techno. Bally's locations teach the dance for fitness.

All this mixed together is helping bring the dance to the masses.

"It's the only dance created by women for women," Copeland said.

It's offered at Oakland University and other locations. Mainstream nightclubs like Heat in Pontiac, hosts Arabic night every other Saturday when belly instructors teach beginning courses at the beginning of the night. Later, students hit the dance floors with their skills.

The Bellydance Superstars are currently on tour nationwide, selling out shows in the south and now heading to the Midwest. They're based in Los Angeles and perform regularly at the Aladdin in Las Vegas and on shows like *Jimmy Kimmel Live!*

Said Copeland, "It's amazing to see audience reaction to the dance and the music, they perk up, they have fun, they're intrigued and then they want to learn. And it amazes Arabic people too. Many of my Arabic friends are so pleased to see white Americans embracing the music, the dance, the culture."

On stage

More than one female point of view emerges in 'Talking With'

When *Talking With* hit the theater scene in the 1980s, it quickly became a feminist favorite

In today's social context, the 11-woman play feels more like a slice-of-life drama than a political one

In this day and age, it might be considered less feminist. It's more universal about women,' said David Regal, artistic director at Meadow Brook Theatre, where the play runs through Sunday, April 11, at Oakland University in Rochester Hills

Meadow Brook's production of *Talking With* represents a departure from the troupe's more traditional fare. Written by Jane Martin, a pseudonym for the work's male playwright, *Talking With* has a unique format: 11 separate monologues, each from 11 different female characters. Personalities run the sociological gamut from a bored housewife, who dresses up in *Wizard of Oz* costumes to escape her mundane existence, to a female rodeo rider

The play is likely to challenge the sensibilities of Meadow Brook's regular patrons, said Regal. "Meadow Brook audiences like plays with beginnings, middles and endings. But my aim is to make Meadow Brook Theatre an important and viable regional theater

So while the group will continue to perform classics like Charles Dickens' *A Christmas Carol*, they will incorporate new works and alternative plays into season programs. Meadow Brook's recently announced 2004-2005 lineup includes performances of *Art* by Yasmina Reza, *Private Lives* by Noel Coward, *They Came for Me*, *Remembering the World of Anne Frank* by James Still, and *The World Goes 'Round*. *The Music of Kander and Ebb*

"When you walk into a restaurant, you don't like every item on the menu. You have your favorites, and you have those items that you try and come to like. There are items you don't like, but you don't stop going to the restaurant. That seems to me to be the way a bill of theater ought to be," said Regal

LIFE STORIES

With the popularity of plays like *The Vagina Monologues* and *The Exonerated*, which is performed like a staged reading, *Talking With* is by no means a fringe production

Rather, the work unfolds a series of different women's individual life stories.



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Kate Willinger (from left) Mary Benson and Jennifer Jones are three of the 11 actresses performing in Meadow Brook Theatre's production of *Talking With*

HER VOICE

What: Meadow Brook Theatre's production of Jane Martin's *Talking With*

When: Through Sunday April 11, show times vary

Where: Meadow Brook Theatre, 207 Wilson Hall, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester Hills

Tickets: \$22-\$32, call Meadow Brook Theatre Box Office at (248) 377-3300 or visit www.mbttheatre.com

"The emotional commonality for all of these women is their positive energy for survival. They all have demons or problems, but they all seem to have risen above, skirted or reconciled them," said Regal. "They are a cross-section in a very general way of the entire gender. By seeing these 11 women, you'd be hard pressed to find a type or personality or circumstance that was left out."



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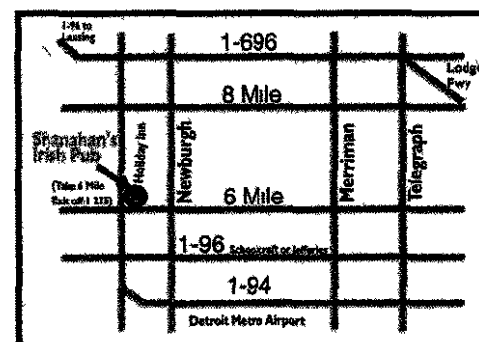
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BY MIKE MURPHY
CORRESPONDENT

The skyline in Novi may not offer much in comparison with the skyscrapers of New York City, but the new general manager and executive chef of Novi's Manhattan Club have adopted a mission.

And they don't think it's impossible.

"We're trying to bring a taste of the Big Apple to Novi," Manhattan Club general manager Joe Churgin said. "I think the place will sell itself when people get in to see it."

The restaurant/nightclub's exterior and location don't offer much in the way of big city aesthetics, but Churgin, executive chef Keith Matherly, bar manager Nick Brancaloneo and owner Bobby Stoyanovich are more concerned with the core of the apple.

Inside the Manhattan Club, where the under-lit walls have been coated with cool lavenders and blues, and the floor has been covered with plush casino-style carpeting, patrons can enjoy spacious dining areas fitted out with tables, booths and a welcoming fireplace.

A long and winding bar space, and a dance floor built to complement the live entertainment Wednesday through Saturday nights, round out the presentation.

And whether customers drop by in the late afternoon to escape an unpleasant drive on nearby freeways, or decide to stop in later for dinner, dancing and late-night mingling, Churgin and his team are eager to accommodate them.

"We want to revive the dinner and dancing experience, and we're perfect for the business traveler," said Churgin.

The Manhattan Club opened its doors six months ago after the proprietors completely remodeled and rebuilt the interior of the building, which formerly housed Red Timbers.

Churgin and Matherly came on board three months ago, and both are still in a phase of experimentation designed to lift the overall experience of the club to new heights.

Churgin anticipates bringing stand-up comedy to the club this summer, and Matherly has been tinkering with the menu in order to bring the restaurant out of its infancy and into a state of maturity.

The comedy club will be in the restaurant's lower floor, which hasn't yet been opened but



The Hypnotist is one of The Manhattan Club's signature shows. The club's main dining room will hold 255 people.

"It's going to be a full night out," Churgin said. "Dinner at 6 p.m., a 7:30 p.m. show and then go upstairs for dancing."

MENU

Although the restaurant's menu is still in a state of flux, featured entrees include staples like steaks, chops and seafood, and Matherly intends to offer something for everybody, including low-carb dishes designed to suit Atkins dieters.

Recent specials included sea scallop and shrimp ravioli in lobster sauce, chargrilled striped sea bass with aioli, and sauteed chicken breast with apples and calvados cream. All the specials were in the \$15 range.

Among Matherly's signature dishes are cherry chicken, a chicken breast sauteed with sun-dried cherries in a hazelnut liquor sauce, and Thai chicken and shrimp.

Prime rib is available on Friday and Saturday nights for \$18.95, and the price range of the regular menu entrees ranges from \$10.95 to \$21.95.

Matherly, who has worked for the Little Club, the Campus Inn and the Golden Mushroom, also likes to keep the club's New

s, Novi city

taste of the Big Apple



Chef Keith Matherly and manager Joe Churgin try to hit all the bases by offering a little something for everybody. Thai Chicken and Shrimp is a specialty.

which features a full menu of specialty martinis.

Apart from the classic martini — just a breath of vermouth, please — bar manager Nick Brancalone's particular brands of rock et fuel include the New York, New York — Bacardi and triple sec — and the Big Appleini, a blend of vodka and apple schnapps.

Churgin said the club has temporarily dropped lunch specials due to a lack of clientele and is also planning to introduce karaoke on Tuesday night to bolster a little-attended night at the club.

The club is geared for the 35-and-up crowd, and while casual attire is acceptable, customers who show up in a jersey and a baseball cap might feel out of place.

"We have a sophisticated crowd, they love those tall glasses," Churgin said.

Open less than a year, the Manhattan Club has been a resounding success, according to Churgin.

"We have pushed our capacity very closely," Churgin said. "We're very unique compared to what you usually see in Novi."

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"I try to hit all the bases," Matherly said. "There's a little something for everybody, and at the same time we give it a Manhattan flavor."

Another aspect of the club that intends to live up to the Manhattan moniker is the bar.



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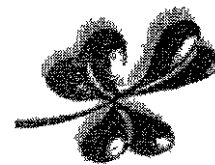
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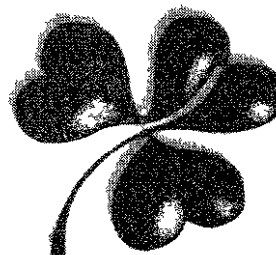
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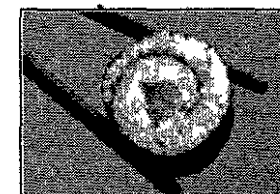
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Nightspot

Music Menu will close its doors

Don't feel sad for Rick Pinkerton and the three other boys who own the Music Menu in downtown Detroit.

After 11 years playing a role in Detroit's music scene, the restaurant bar is closing.

Don't feel too mushy over the end of this era, Pinkerton and friends don't need sympathy; they'd rather see a celebration.

"It's time to move on, we're ready to go," Pinkerton said. "We want these next few weeks to be festive."

The Music Menu has been a vital part of Greektown since its 1993 debut. Its original design was to create a bar/restaurant environment where patrons could request music from a CD catalog representing a diverse collection of artists. As it evolved, many Detroit musicians, known and unknown, played there.

The Menu was sold and its last day is between March 27 and 31. Pinkerton said with four owners, it was difficult to earn a good living there.

On Saturday Detroit blues masters Johnnie Bassett & The Blues Insurgents will perform their last Menu gig.

"(Bassett) put the Music Menu on the map in Detroit," Pinkerton said. "Any reputation that we have within the local community is the result of his regular perform-

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ances. He raised the bar for the quality of music associated with the Music Menu.

Bassett said the Menu has been important for musicians.

Pinkerton has been a great asset to local musicians, providing a place where you can expect to have a good time while listening to good music in the company of good people, Bassett said.

On Saturday, March 27, Detroit music man RJ Spangler will host an all-star jam night. The line-up isn't final, but Menu supporters like Bassett, Thornetta Davis and Sponges Vinnie Dombrowski might pop in. The night should be filled with surprises, Pinkerton said.

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Music

Trinity House event brings in Midwest favorites

Some big names in local music are volunteering their time for a concert to benefit the Trinity House in Livonia on Friday, March 26

Whit and Al Hill, two musicians whose careers are blossoming this year, will be there Chicago's well-known contemplative pop singer Justin Austin is also coming to play

An intimate venue that seats about 90 people, the nonprofit Trinity House is 23 years old The crowd comes for the music It's a sit down and listen kind of place, and there's no alcohol or smoking

Trinity House is run by volunteers - from the concession stand to the lighting Their goal is to provide a place for musicians and theater groups to perform for audiences who listen

"Last year's Trinity House benefit was such a big success we decided to do it again," said Bill Keith, the house's concert coordinator "It was sold out We've selected six of our favorite artists to perform this year"

FAVORITE ARTISTS

One act is Michael Hough and David Tamulevich of Mustard's Retreat They've

been performing together for 30 years and sing gentle love songs and ballads

Artist Matt Watroba offers music with a unique twist After turning 40, he realized, contrary to the messages sent in our culture, that there are great things about growing older

As a singer, Whit Hill was a member of the folk-rock band Dick Siegel and the Na-Nas

Her band, The Postcards, was formed in 2001 Their first CD, *We Are Here* has received massive critical acclaim statewide

Al Hill can be heard with his blues and R&B group, The Love Butlers As a musician playing piano, organ, guitar and vocals, he toured with Johnnie Bassett, Alberta Adams and others

Pop artist John Austin began his career performing on street corners and in subway stations After winning a national songwriting contest, he recorded an album

'To have people drive in from other states to support Trinity House is really spectacular,' Keith said

The Trinity House is in constant need of volunteers The board looks for good people to work the sound or lighting,

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Where: Trinity House 38840 W Six Mile Road Livonia

Admission: \$20 call (734) 464-6302 or visit www.trinityhouse.org

Features: Mustard's Retreat Matt Watroba Ric Hordinski Whit and Al Hill, Kim Taylor John Austin and Erin Echo

Artist Web sites:

www.mustardsretreat.com

www.mattwatroba.com

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Top Beatnik country music darling Whit Hill is one of the featured artists at the Trinity House benefit concert Above John Austin is a Trinity House's supporter who will perform at the benefit

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Girls' night out

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Shows are slated Tuesday-Sunday, and the production has an open run "It's therapeutic," said Rhonda Freya English, a Redford Township actress starring in the production "It's one big Menopause Anonymous meeting, but making light of it. Mostly, it lets women know it's not a stigma, and it's OK. It's part of life

The 90-minute show features parodies of 24 hit songs from the '60s and '70s. New lyrics speak to the menopause experience, so instead of *Puff, the Magic Dragon* the audience hears *Puff, My God I'm Draggin*.

It begins when the show's four female characters – an aging soap star, a lost-in-the-1960s-hippie, a high-powered executive and an Iowa housewife – meet while fighting over a black lace bra at a Bloomingdale's sale in New York City.

Playwright and producer Jeanne Landers' inspiration for *Menopause The Musical*,

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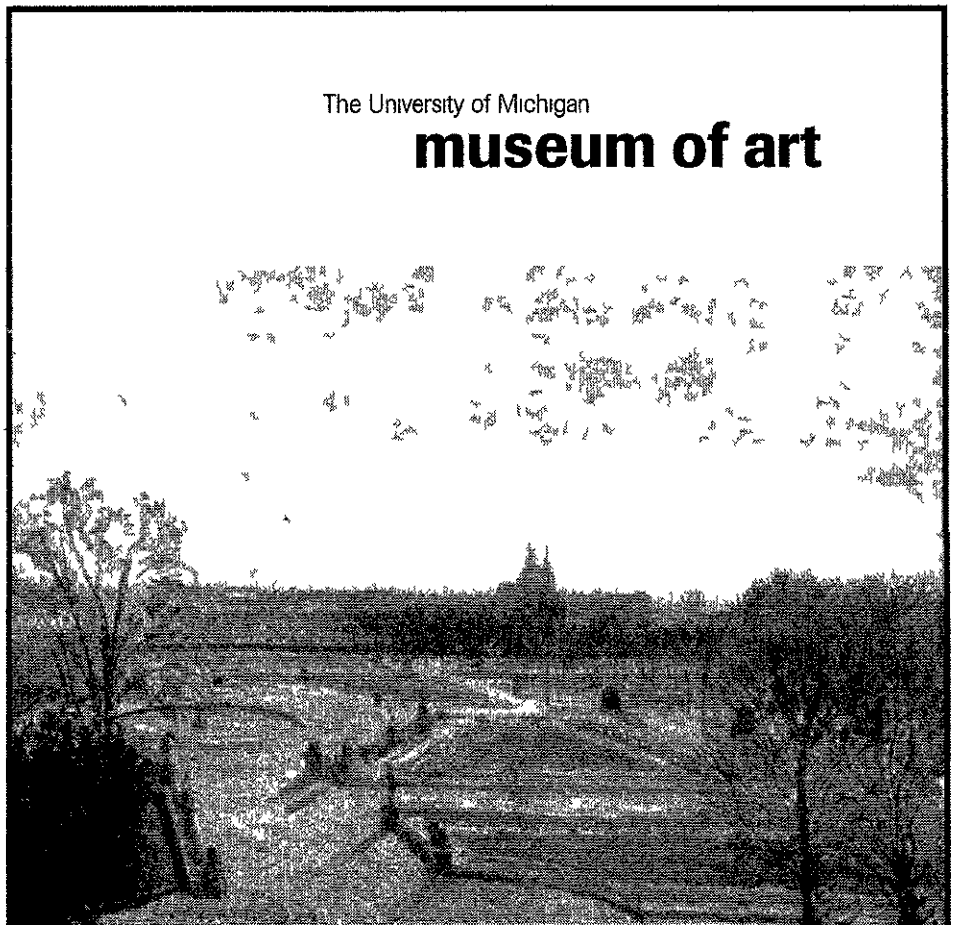
What: Menopause The Musical
When: 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday
 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday
Where: Gem Theatre 333 Madison Detroit
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which marries song, dance and dialogue, came from a hot flash and a bottle of wine.

Of course the show draws mostly female audiences, but that's not to say men wouldn't enjoy the production, said English.

"The name itself scares off men," she said. "But I think all men should see it because all men know a woman who is going through it, went through it or will go through it."

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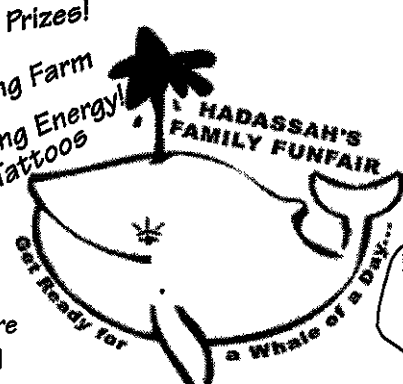
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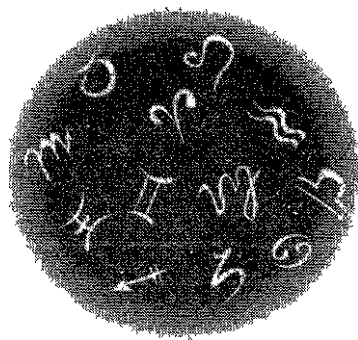
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Horoscope



Star Struck

(March 18 - March 20)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)



You seem to be smarting from last week's put downs and unfortunately Friday's Sun and Moon in your sign seems to signify that a make or break situation in one very special tie is about to take place. However, the ball is no longer in your court and you must learn to accept the things you simply cannot change.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)



Adapting to change is seldom easy for a Taurus. There simply has to be order. However, planetary activity over the next few weeks signifies you will come to realize that changes are gifts announcing your willingness to give others the chance to provide what you seek.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)



A series of quite spectacular planetary aspects now urges you to back your own instincts to the limit and not allow the mood swings of others to make you go against your better judgment. If you've decided to move on, then it can only be because the time is right for you to broaden your horizons.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)



Although recent developments have left you bewildered, don't lament what might have been. After the Sun changes signs this weekend, you'll no longer feel quite so neglected. New opportunities are about to arrive and you must be ready to take advantage of them.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)



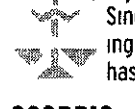
With so many irons in the fire, it's a pity to have to caution you that the financial outlook is anything but rosy right now. On the other hand, you'll have everything you could possibly need once you tell certain individuals to grow up and fend for themselves now!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)



The Sun now passing through your opposite sign may be bringing problems of an intensely personal nature to a head. However, after countless unproductive discussions over finances, you are finally holding an unusual number of trump cards and are in a position to speed things along.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)



Since February, you've been urged to find the speck of gold in the sand. Now, it should be staring you in the face. In fact, the New Moon in your opposite sign this weekend says that the time has come to concentrate only on what affects your long-term happiness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)



You're unlikely to see eye to eye with colleagues now, not while the dynamic planet Mars is crossing an important angle of your solar chart. However, stick to the course you've chosen and stay true to your principles, because it won't be long before you get a chance to turn the tables.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)



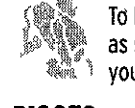
Having streamlined your affairs and put relationships on a firmer footing, long-standing arrangements can now be tackled with confidence. A decisive aspect with the Sun in your element this weekend will be all it takes to get you thinking and moving in a new direction.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)



Each stage of life really does confront one with new challenges. And, if you're typical of your birth sign, then you now realize that the kind of personal satisfaction or professional recognition you seek can only be found in a different environment or people. Switch gears. Sea Goats!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)



To be born under the sign of Aquarius, the Water Bearer, is to be a rebel or nonconformist, also as straight as an arrow and brutally honest. Therefore, in spite of current emotional difficulties, you must make a number of decisive moves this week and set the record straight.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)



You appear to be at a loss to know what more you can do to save others from their own folly. Not a lot seems to be the answer. In fact, it's time to let distance, lend enchantment and making sure that some kind of alteration in your life now under discussion is to your advantage.

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Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

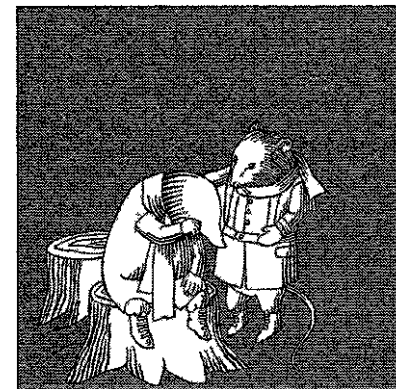


Jason Anderson

Show

Fall in love with everyone/everything/all at once when New Hampshire singer-songwriter Jason Anderson, Livonia based trio *El Boxeo* and Ann Arbor's *Fields of Industry* play Friday at the Halfway Inn in Ann Arbor.

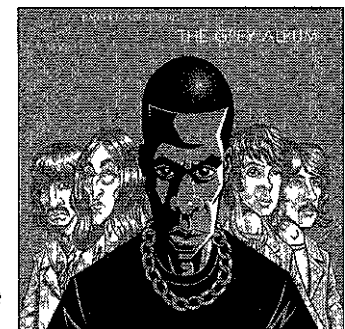
Anderson is touring in support of his excellent lo-fi piano and acoustic guitar musing *New England* (K Records) out now. Honest lyrics and slow winding melodies fill the indie folk record produced by Phil Elvrum of the Microphones, another K Records band. *El Boxeo* also will celebrate the release of its second EP *Songs from an Unwritten Play about Giant Birds*. The show begins at 8:30 p.m. Cover is \$5. All ages. The Halfway Inn is located at 730 Church Street in the basement of East Quad building on the University of Michigan campus.



New England is out now

Album

The following is not endorsed by Pure Picks or any of its entities. We would never promote illegal downloading. It prevents rich musicians from getting richer. So don't do it. That being said, there has been quite an uproar lately over a little album by DJ Danger Mouse. If you haven't heard of it yet (How is the underside of your rock these days?) *The Grey Album* takes the vocal tracks from Jay Z's *The Black Album* and lays them over the Beatles' *The White Album* and incorporates new beats. The catch? Apparently Mr. Mouse did not get permission to source these albums and release it and, as you can imagine, this means the thing is all over the Internet. I've heard if you click on <http://www.greytuesday.org> you may be able to access hundreds of Web sites, all risking RIAA lawsuit to bring you what some are positioning as a work of art. Honestly, the concept of combining two full albums to create something new is somewhat haggard (not to mention this particular fusing - Black + White = Grey - seems like something a couple of middle schoolers could've come up with on their lunch hour). Still, it's worth a listen just to hear Jay Z rapping *What More Can I Say* over the guitar line for *While My Guitar Gently Weeps*, even if that makes you want to puke.



Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy. She is always looking for new local bands and musicians. Send her your demos and Web site links! Know of something else you would like considered for this space? To submit information on local entertainment, 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.

Film

Imagine your favorite screenwriter and music video director coming together to make a romantic comedy. Michel Gondry, known for the stunning imagery in music videos for everyone from Bjork to the White Stripes, and screenwriter Charlie Kaufman, the author of the weirdly wonderful *Being John Malkovich* and *Adaptation*, have teamed up to make this girl's dream come true.

Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind follows the story of Joel Barish (Jim Carrey) who discovers his girl friend Clementine (Kate Winslet) has undergone an experimental procedure by Lacuna Inc. to erase all of her memories of Joel. Joel then agrees to undergo the procedure to erase all his memories of Clementine. Once the process begins, however, Joel changes his mind about removing Clementine and begins hiding her in parts of his memory she doesn't belong. This, of course, changes other memories.

The plot may remind you in part of Jonathan Franzen's *The Corrections*, and if you enjoy imaginative what-ifs, you'll love this movie.

In a bit of Internet magic, you can visit Lacuna Inc. online at <http://www.lacunainc.com>.

For more on the film, click on <http://www.eternalsunshine.com>.

The film opens Friday. Run time: 1 hour 45 minutes.

Rated R (for language, some drug use, and sexual content).

Contest

Tell us about your hero and win 'Miss Saigon' tickets

Tell us about the hero in your life someone who has had an extraordinary influence on you or made a sacrifice for you or someone you know to win a pair of tickets to the 8 p.m. Thursday, March 25 performance of *Miss Saigon* at the Fox Theatre

Three pairs of tickets will be awarded

Deadline to enter is Friday March 19. Send entries to Keely Kaleski, assistant managing editor, features, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 F. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.


Fax entries to Kaleski's attention at (248) 644-1314 or e-mail kkaleski@oehomecomm.net

Miss Saigon, an epic musical love story from the creators of *Les Miserables*, plays Detroit's Fox Theatre March 23-28 as part of the Broadway at the Fox series.

Curtain times are 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, and 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

Tickets are \$28-\$73 and may be purchased at the Fox Theatre and Joe Louis Arena box offices and Hockeystown Authentics in Troy (without service charges) and at all Ticketmaster locations. To charge tickets by phone, call (248) 433-1515. For more information, call (313) 471-6611 or visit www.OlympiaEntertainment.com

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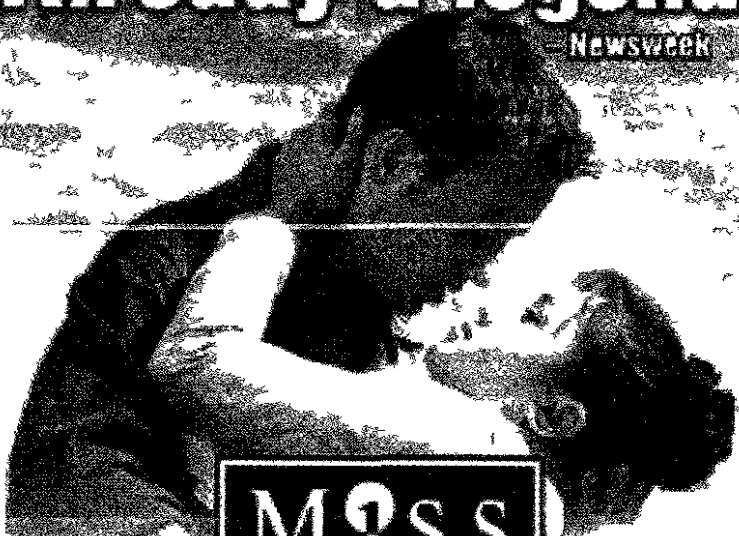


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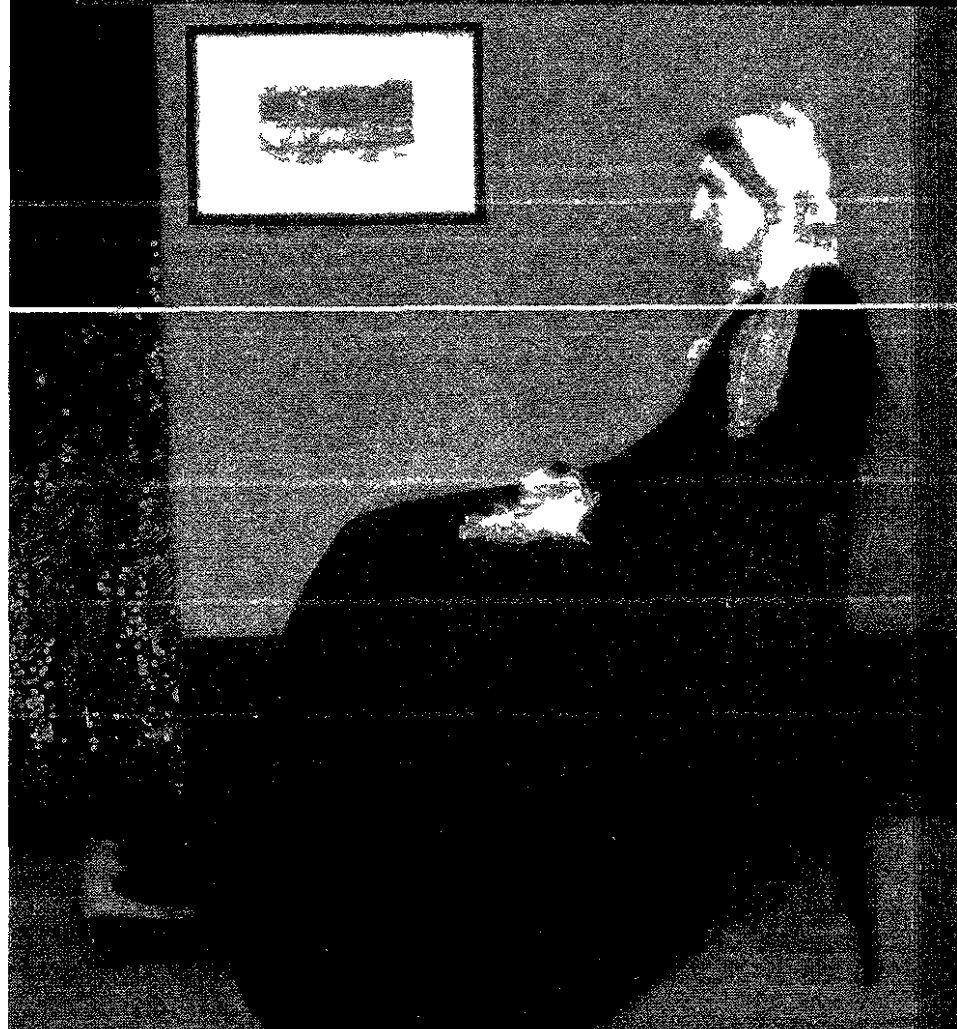
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This exhibition was organized as *After Whistler: The Artist and His Influence on American Painting* by the High Museum of Art, Atlanta, with generous support provided by the Henry Luce Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts. In Detroit, the exhibition is supported by the Comerica Charitable Foundation, Kenwal Steel Corp., the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the City of Detroit.

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