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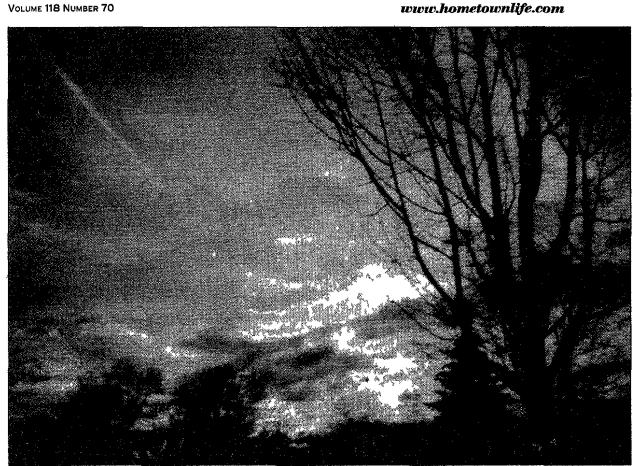
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Canton Big Boy restaurant on Ford Road will hold Canton Warriors Lacrosse Day from 7 a.m to 11 pm Tuesday, April 27 Patrons dining in or carrying out need simply to let their servers know they are supporting the Warriors and Big Boy will donate a portion of total sales to the team An added bonus Patrons who fill out a coupon at the register get a chance to win a Big

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Cristina Bugescu of Hulsing Elementary School captured this view of the sky as part of the artist-in-residence program



An Allen Elementary School student captured this ballet-type movement on a playground as part of her assignment with a disposable camera

Through the eyes of children

Artist program shows youngsters' view of the world

Photographer Monte Nagler, conducting an artist-inresidence program with Hulsing and Allen elementary students, knew he couldn't just hand a bunch of fifthgraders a 27-exposure camera without a little guidance

So Nagler, an Observer columnist, shared his thoughts on lighting, horizons, backgrounds and other photographic tips, then sent them on their way to shoot some pictures

The result An exhibit at the Plymouth Community Arts Council, April 26-30 An artists' reception is set 6-8

PLEASE SEE ARTISTS, A5

District ties \$\$\$ to new post

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MPA

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

P-CEP (Plymouth-Canton Educational Park) could someday stand for Pepsi-Coke Educational Park. Or, how about Dominos Pizza Middle School?

Sounds ridiculous now, but it may not in the notso-distant future

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education Tuesday is expected to approve the hiring of a development director, who will be responsible for raising muchneeded funding for the financially strapped school district

"A development director would be looking for foundation grants corporate partnerships and tapping into our alumni," said trustee Elizabeth Givens. one of three board members on a committee to research the new position "When you look at charitable giving, the largest amount comes from individual donors, not from corporations or foundations"

The idea came as the state continues to take away funding for public schools, leaving many districts to eat away at fund balances that will soon become nonexistent

"Public schools will have to get into this business at some point," said Frank Ruggirello, the district's director of community relations "The schools that are ahead of the game will be the ones that benefit the most from it

"I think the community will be supportive once we explain why it's needed, and give them the mindset that public schools need private funding," he said

Currently, there are only a handful of districts / spending money on a development director One of those is Walled Lake Cynthia Tanner — who has been at the helm in Walled Lake since November, but

PLEASE SEE FUND-RAISER, A5

Central Middle School gets live-saving donation



Boy pie Food drive

The post office and the **Plymouth Salvation Army** sponsor a food drive May 8 designed to help feed children and seniors who need assistance

Residents can leave non-perishable food by their mailbox for carriers to pick up, or food can be dropped off at either the Beck Road or Penniman post offices, Hiller's Market and Busch's before May 8

Food collected in Plymouth stays in Plymouth Last year, the drive netted more than 17,500 pounds of food For more information, cali (734) 453-6111

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

It was nearly 20 years ago, but Central Middle School physical education teacher Mark LaPointe remembers the incident like it was yesterday

Paul Bradford, an eighth-grader at the time, had been born with a congenital heart defect, and had a number of surgeries related to the heart problem Bradford was facing another major surgery when his life suddenly came to an end on the third floor

"He and another student were horse-playing between classes, and all of a sudden Paul gasped," said LaPointe "He was probably gone before he hit the floor

"By the time I got to him, he was blue," LaPointe remembered "We did CPR for about 10 minutes before the paramedics came in and took over, but it was too late'

Administrators and teachers at Central hope that scene never happens again And, there's a better chance it won't after an automated external defibrillator was donated to the school Monday The AED unit analyzes the heart's rhythm and tells whether a shock should be delivered to the person who suffered sudden cardiac arrest It's designed to keep the victim alive until emergency personnel can arrive at the scene

It was a gift from the Hospitalers Committee Detroit Commandery No 1 of the Knights of Templar, through the Kimberly Anne Gillary Foundation Kimberly Gillary, 15, died as a result of a cardiac arrest suffered during a water polo game at Birmingham Groves High



Kimberly Harper of Aventric Technologies showed the staff how to operate the AED unit, with Gilbert Rice of the Mason's Hospitalers Committee of Detroit Commandery in the background

School April 1, 2000

In response to Kimberly's death, the Gillary family established the foundation to donate an AED to every high school in Michigan, and advocate cardiac screening and testing of all high school student athletes To date, through grassroots funding, the foundation has donated more than 200 devices throughout Michigan

Plymouth firefighter suspended in probe

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

A Plymouth Community Fire Department firefighter has been suspended with pay pending the results of an internal investigation into allegations he exposed himself at businesses in Westland

Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann confirmed Thursday the township suspended Kevin Marcicki April 6 after being alerted to the two incidents, which allegedly occurred March 29 at separate locations in Westland

According to records from 18th District

Court in Westland, the firefighter faces a May 11 arraignment and pre-trial hearing on two counts of public nudity/indecent expo-

sure According to the police report, one of the incidents occurred at the Dairy Twist at Wayne and Palmer, while the other took place at the Dairy Twist on Cherry Hill

Westland police wouldn't elaborate, pending the arraignment Acting Plymouth Fire Chief Mark Wendel also confirmed the suspension, but wouldn't comment further

"A firefighter was involved in an incident outside Plymouth Township for which he was suspended on April 6," Wendel said

"We are currently undertaking an internal investigation"

Under Michigan Public Act 78, Marcicki can be suspended for 30 days while such an investigation is conducted At the end of that 30 days, the department either has to take disciplinary action - suspension or termination - or bring Marcicki back to work. Mann said he hoped to have the internal

investigation completed by the end of the week. "It wouldn't be appropriate to comment

further because it's under investigation,' Mann said "We have to see what took place"

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The foundation has already donated an AED unit to the Plymouth-Canton high school complex, and this week donated units to both Central and Allen Elementary

'Cardiac arrest is the No 1 killer in the United States," said Kimberly Harper of Aventric Technologies, who showed the staff how to operate the AED unit 'Everybody thinks 'It's not going to happen to me'

"The chance of survival without an AED is about 5 percent," said Harper "With the use of an AED, it goes up to about 75 percent'

Principal Joyce Johnson said the AED unit is a welcome addition to Central

"We have an older staff, and very active children, and the stairs can get rough for some of our children who are overweight," said Johnson "This might help us save someone's life'

Gilbert Rice of the Knights of Templar picked Central as one of the two recipients because his granddaughter, Jordan Kielty of Plymouth, attends the school

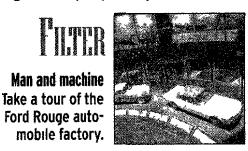
"In the past three years we've given six of the units to schools," said Rice "Just look at the numbers The chances for recovery after 10 minutes are pretty slim"

For LaPointe, it's a device that's about 20 years late in coming

"My first reaction to getting the AED was 'I wish we had one when Paul was here," he said "That moment will stick with me for the rest of my life"

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YOUTH LEADERSHIP

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Plymouth High School student Leah Humpries, Salem High School student Christine Garland and Canton High School student Catherine Huang are among the high school sophomores who will gather at Concordia University next month for a three-day leadership-building conference hosted by Michigan Youth Leadership

Some 150 students, nominated by faculty and high school administrators, are participating in the conference, which gives them the opportunity to interact and exchange dialogue with community, business and civic leaders from around the state Activities at this year's event include motivational speakers, panel discussions on Homeland Security, a political debate, team-building exercises and personal goal-setting

Among the featured speakers are Don Tocco, founder and president of Troy-based D L Tocco and Associates, a national marketing company, Justin Ryan, professional speaker from Dale Carnegie in Rochester Hills, and motivational speaker Chris Bowers

DAR MEETING

The Daughters of the American Revolution, Sarah Ann Cochrane Plymouth-Northville Chapter, meets for a sandwich luncheon at noon May 17 at the Plymouth District Library

The program is entitled,

STATE

'Remembering the Wars" All DAR members and potential members are welcome For more information, call

Pam Westerhold, (734) 420-2775

ECONOMIC CLUB MEETING

Lee Hecht Harrison President China Gorman discusses the "Paradoxes of Leadership" at a Women's Economic Club luncheon at noon May 3 at the Trov Marriott Hotel

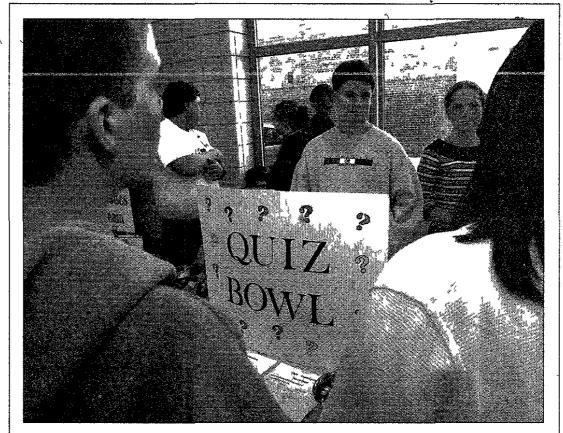
Gorman 1s responsible for the global leadership, strategic direction and growth initiatives for the company, which has more than 180 offices worldwide and specializes in providing placement, leadership development/coaching and career development services

Tickets are \$30 for members, \$40 for guests For more information or reservations, visit the WEC Web site at www.womenseconomicclub or g or call (313) 578-3230

POTTERY SHOW

The annual show of pottery works by Village Potters Guild students takes place at **Plymouth Community Arts** Council from 9 a m to 3 p m Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and 9 a m to 9 p m on Wednesday An artists' reception is set for 6-8 p m Thursday

The PCAC is located at 774 Sheldon For more information or to learn about classes, call (734) 207 - 8807



Information gathering

Peter Nolan gets information on becoming a member of the Quiz Bowl team from team members Adam Davis and Bethany Atwell during a recent activities night at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. The evening's festivities included more than 40 clubs and organizations from around the park, the marching band and orchestra, and tours of all three high schools, along with live, curriculum-based demonstrations. The event was designed to give parents and incoming students a better understanding of the things available to them at the park

ROCKETTES TALENT SHOW

The Salem Varsity Rockettes, along with the co-starring Junior Varsity Rockettes, are set for their annual Rockette Show 2004, scheduled for April 30-May 1 at the Gloria Logan Theatre for the

Performing Arts in Salem High School

The shows start at 7 p m and feature dance performances by both the varsity and JV Rockettes, as well as acts from other students who auditioned for the show

Tickets are \$5 pre-sale or \$6 at the door

CRAFTERS NEEDED

Crafters are needed for the 18th-annual juried Delta Kappa Gamma-West Middle School show set for 9 a.m to 4 p m Saturday, Oct 23, at West Middle School in Plymouth For more information, e-

mail theways@comcast net or call (734) 844-1707

LUMBER SIGNINGS

The folks at Habitat Humanity believe the old tradition of signing lumber with a note of goodwill before walls

on a new home were put up is a tradition worth continuing

Habitat will host lumber signings throughout the year in an effort to raise funds and collect signatures on lumber that will be used in Habitat homes Lumber signings will take place on Sunday, April 25, at the Wal-Mart on Belleville Road in Van Buren

To volunteer, call (734) 459-7744

NORTHVILLE FLOWER SALE

The 17th annual Flower Sale comes to downtown Northville May 28-29 The sale takes place 9 a m to 6 p m May 28 and 9 a m to 5 p m May 29, with more than 15 greenhouses, all members of the Metropolitan Detroit Flower Growers Association, taking part Main Street between Hutton and Center, will be closed to cars For more information, call (248) 348-0488

BOOK SIGNING

The Red Hat Society hosts an open house at the Little Book Shoppe on the Park from 1-3 p m Sunday, April 25, for all Red Hat Society members as well as for any interested folks who'd like to drop by

The book store will serve hght refreshments and it will be a fun time to celebrate the accomplishment of women in literature Local author Linda Daly of Canton, who recently published her first novel, Virtuous Dove, will sign books for anyone interested

Virtuous Dove is the story of Felicity, an abolitionist who flees America after witnessing her parents' being brutally murdered for helping slaves escape via the Underground Railroad,' Daly explains "She ends up with relatives in England, and quickly learns first-hand that the idyllic life in England that her grandmother had always portrayed to her, didn't really exist for everyone In England, just as in America, there were poor people, down on their luck with no means of escaping the harsh reality of their lives Entire families were separated from one another, living in separate blocks of the workhouses, they owned nothing but the clothes on their backs and had to work long hours for very httle pay Even the children! A stark contrast to the wealthy -- the elite of society – who gave very little thought to the plight of those less fortunate'

Daly's second novel, Rebel Dove, which runs parallel to Virtuous Dove, is currently being reviewed by the acquisitions department at PublishAmerica! and Daly is cautiously confident that it, too, will be published, in time for the summer reading season in 2004 Additionally, Daly is working on four other novels in the 'Dove Collect series, two intrigue/mysteries, two feature-film screenplays and a screenplay for a mini-series

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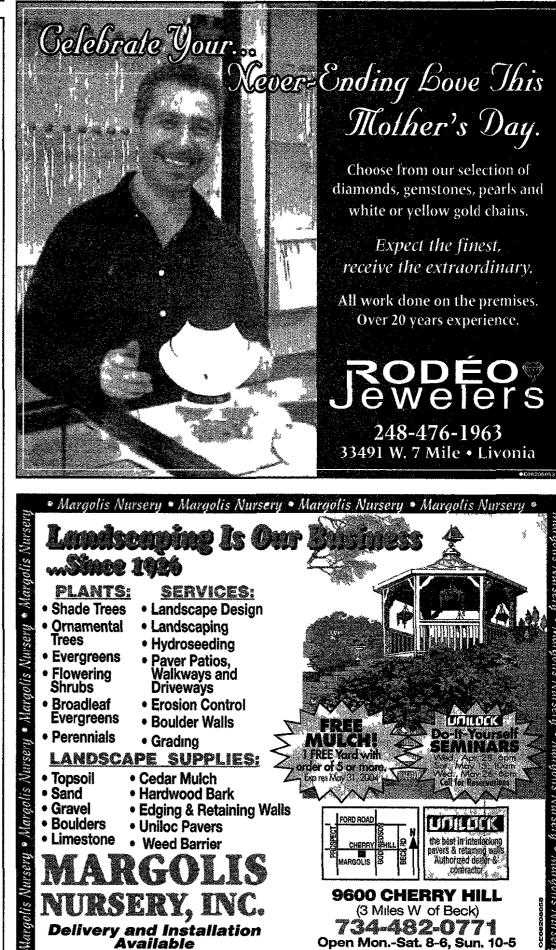
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Chef's delights

'Survivor's' Famie serves tales for library friends

BY NAUREEN JOHNSTON STAFF WRITER

Chef Keith Famie — restaurateur, Survivor star and now author — brings tales of his adventures in and outside kitchens to a local audience next month

Friends' organizations that support Canton, Northville, Novi and Plymouth dis trict libraries will host the chef at noon May 4 The \$25 tickets for the luncheon and talk are available only at the four libraries through April 30 and will not be for sale at the door

The fund-raiser will be at the Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N Territorial in Plymouth Those attending the open-to the-public event will be served a tossed salad, chicken cordon bleu, and strawberry sundae

"I m excited about it, said Northville Friends member Jeanne Storm "I think he will be very interesting because he's such a personality I think you ll have a wonderful afternoon

Since library supporters initiated the series in 1987, they have hosted as many as 300 for the annual author event, Storm said Famies fame could draw that many again The charismatic cook first hit the local scene when he landed the role of chef de cuisine at the former Chez Raphael in Novi

After earning awards for creative fine dining during his tenure at that restaurant, he founded his own restaurant in 1988, Les Auteur in Royal Oak Garnering accolades and celebrity in subsequent years, the chef in 1998 formed the multi-media entertainment company which to this day manages all aspects of his career

The cook trained in historic European kitchens in the late 1970s now is involved in television production, special appearances, product development, his adventurechef com Web site and cookbook

publications Famie's 2001 appearance on the highly rated television program *Survivor II The*

Australian Outback, led to a show series

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Chef Keith Famie serves one of his dishes Boboti, to Courtney Mcgivney during a recent cooking class

that enabled him to travel the world in search of new cuisines and cultures Sleeping Bear Press in 2001 published Famies Adventures in Cooking cookbook, and Yes, I Can Cook Rice and So Can You You Really Haven t Been There Until You ve Eaten the Food is due out in May from publisher Clarkson Potter a division of Random House Famies books will be on sale at Fox Hills Country Club, Storm said

A Northville Library friends member for nearly 10 years, she said the chef will autograph copies purchased that day or previously The four facilities target a variety of projects for proceeds from the luncheon, Storm said Past uses outlined by each library include support for youth and adult programming in Plymouth, support for special programming in Canton, support for scholarships and audio visual equipment purchases in Novi, and enhancing young adult collections in Northville

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Forum focuses on school hopefuls

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

The four candidates for two seats on the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education have been invited to take part in a public forum May 5

The forum, sponsored by the Observer Newspapers and the League of Women Voters of Western Wayne County, takes place at 7 p m at Discovery Middle School in Canton

Incumbent board president

Judy Mardigian and challengers William Gibbons, Becky Moore and Barry Simescu were all invited to attend

Candidates will give opening and closing statements, and will answer questions posed by audience members, who will have the opportunity to submit their questions on cards provided by the League of Women Voters

All four candidates will have the opportunity to answer all the questions The forum is expected to last some 90 minutes

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Mardigian, in her first year as board president, is seeking her third term on the board Moore is a former principal at Hulsing Elementary School Simescu is a Plymouth resident

Trustee Elizabeth Givens is not seeking re-election The election is scheduled for June 14

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School district eyes fewer layoffs

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan believes he can weather an \$8 6 million budget deficit next school year with fewer layoffs than previously anticipated

Ryan is banking on increased student enrollment, strict fiscal management and the fund balance to help alleviate the projected shortfall The school board has given

Ryan authority to pursue \$16 million in cuts and use \$6 milhon of the district's fund balance That leaves a \$1 million gap to balance the budget

I m asking the board to not consider any other major cuts and let me work on another million dollars in reductions as the year goes on, said Ryan at Tuesdays workshop session 'We just didn t feel there were any more cuts we could recommend, and you would feel comfortable approving, as we

looked at a potential \$15 5 million fund balance"

Among the \$1 6 million in budget cuts are 31 employees for a total savings of \$1 million, a \$200,000 reduction in the high school athletic budget, for the second consecutive year, and a \$32,000 (20 percent) cut in the middle school athletic budget

Of the 31 employees losing their jobs, 16 are custodians as the district expects to save \$480,000 by performing what Ryan termed "modified cleaning' in all buildings

Despite earlier thoughts of laying off four of the five school nurses in the district, the net loss will only be one because of a retirement, saving the district \$75,000 in salary

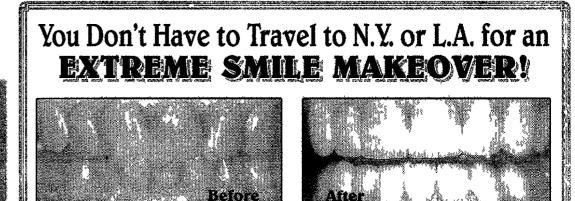
'It's really hard to think about cutting nurses when you potential have a \$15 5 million fund balance," said board president Judy Mardigian

Ryan said he still needs to finalize a reorganization of the high school athletic department, partly because of the high cost of employing three high school athletic directors Currently, Sue Heinzman at Canton High School earns \$98,021, Tom Willette at Salem and Terry Sawchuk at Plymouth each earn \$83,395

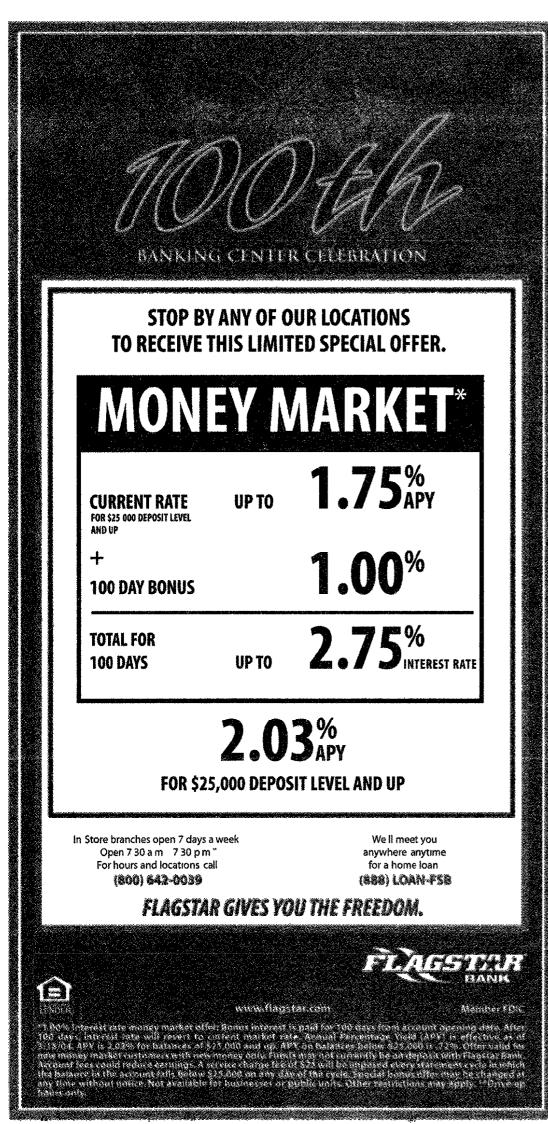
"It's still unresolved, so on the (April) 27th they will get the official layoff notice," he said, until we can come up with a plan on how we want to approach that, and the costs associated with the three athletic directors "

Ryan said he's still contemplating a change in the high school sports student participation fee "We're looking at a comparison of the \$125 onetime fee compared to a lower amount, such as \$75 per sport," he said "We'll also see if that's a viable option for the middle school as we look at cuts to the sports programs next year

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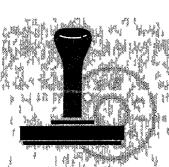
DEATHS

Dorothy E Bigelow, 86, of Rochester Hills, died April 12 Natalie Ann Brewster, 60, of Port St Lucie, Fla, formerly of Rochester Hills, died April 20 Kenneth V Cassidy, 79, of Shelby Township, died April 12 Ann L. Chmela 95, of Rochester Hills, died April 19 G Jean M Gere, 79, of Rochester Hills died April 16 Wanda Lee Smith Johnson, 44, of Rochester Hills, died Feb 14 Agnes E Kinggo, 90, of Farmington Hills, died April 18 Helen Frances Mackalski, of Westland, died April 22 Barbara A Milton, 68, of Beverly

Hills, died April 14 Kathryn E Perrie, of Westland, died April 21

Theodore G Rekstis "Knapp," 62, of Rochester Hills, died April 12 James Ritz, 70, of Royal Oak, died April 21





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Gertrude P Swisher 90, of Rochester Hills, died April 10

Mary E Tiffany 88, of Rochester Hills, died April 8 Ann B Hughes Todd, 82, of Clinton Township, died April 17 Gloria M Trudeau, 80, of Ortonville, died April 11

POLICE BLOTTER

A 22-year-old Ypsilanti man has been bound over for trial in Wayne County Circuit Court on a charge of uttering and publishing after reportedly twice forging his grandmother's signature on checks he stole from her Easter Sunday Plymouth police Detective Jamie Grabowski said Thomas Robinson was caught April 14 after he attempted to cash a \$300 check at **Community Financial in Plymouth** "The bank teller became suspicious because he was in the previous week and cashed a \$300 check allegedly signed by his grandmother," said Grabowski "The bank's

check signature card and the signature on the check didn't match, so they wouldn't cash it and called police."

The victim, 80-year-old Patricia Robinson of Plymouth Township, told police she never wrote any

checks to her grandson Robinson waived his preliminary exam in 35th District Court Friday and is being held on \$10,000 cash bond in the Wayne County jail

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs between April 14-20

Tuesday April 20 - Residential rescue runs on Elmhurst on Sheridan and on Deer Creek Court vehicle accident at Farmer and Auburn, industrial rescue run on Plymouth Road mutual-aid run on Canton Center, carbon monoxide detector run on Pinecrest

🔳 Monday, April 19 – Residential rescue runs on Sheridan on Roosevelt on Northville Road, on **Colony Farms and on Turtlehead** Court, downed wires on Canton Center and on Pinetree, grass fire on Pinetree, smoke investigation on I-275 north of Ann Arbor Road. mutual-aid run at Canton Center and Ford, commercial fire on Ann Arbor Road

🔳 Sunday, April 18 – Open burn on Sandalwood, residential rescue runs on Tyler, on Marlowe, on Plymouth Ridge, rescue run to a public building on Ann Arbor Road wash-down on Ann Arbor Road at I-275 downed wires on Northville Road- fire run on Farmer

🖬 Saturday, April 17 – Residential rescue runs on Haggerty, on Wolf River, on Leighwood, on Dewey, on Ann Arbor Trail, on Sheldon and on Mill, rescue run at Starkweather and Spring vehicle accident on S Main, commercial rescue run on Eastside

🖬 Friday, April 16 – Commercial rescue run, with special wash-down, on Ann Arbor Road, residential rescue run on St Andrews Square,

vehicle accident on Forest open burning on Pearl

Thursday April 15 – Commercial rescue run on Northville Road and on Haggerty, rescue run to a public building on Ann Arbor Road, resi dential rescue runs on Oregon Trail, on Colony Farms and on Nantucket, vehicle accident at Ridge and Halvard vehicle accident at Ann Arbor Road and | 275

🖬 Wednesday, April 14 – Vehicle accident with wash down on Sheldon south of the railroad tracks commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road, vehicle accident on Ridge south of 5 Mile, residential rescue runs on Linden, on Gold Arbor on Burning Tree, on Spicer, on Morrison and on Corrine, vehicle fire on northbound I-275 south of I-96 carbon monoxide detector run on Gloucester

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BY GREG KOWALSKI STAFF WRITER

The Chief is gone Jim Ritz died Thursday, April 22, 2004 in William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak of complications related to heart disease He was 70

For nearly 18 years Ritz was a lead copy editor for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers To some he seemed - and

was — an irascible old coot who could debate for hours the placement of a comma And if you were the one who misplaced it, you would hear about it from Ritz, a longtime Royal Oak resident

But he earned his title as The Chief for being a rock solid journalist who put his heart into his work

He just loved the profession so well, said Susan Hood, who now is with The Oakland Press and served on the board of directors of the Society of Professional Journalists with Ritz SPJ was another love of Ritzs, and he was a former chapter president

"He led SPJ through some of its leanest years in terms of membership and finances," said Tony Malta, SPJ Chapter administrative assistant Ritz was chiefly responsible for growing the SPJ Laurain Scholarship fund from a \$50 to a \$2,500 annual award

Prior to joining the $O \mathfrak{S} E$, Ritz worked at the Dearborn Press and The Daily Tribune of Royal Oak, serving as managing editor for a time He also edited and wrote for a variety of publications, most recently with The Jewish News

But it was with the OSE that Ritz acquired the persona of The Chief On the copy desk, his



Mr Ritz

Copy editor recalled

for top-notch skills

favorite phrase was So what?" delivered in the harshest tone Copy editors had to run headhnes past The Chief and invariably

hed stop on one or two and say, So what'? What does that mean¹? A clearer, sharper headline was demanded

But he just as easily would serenade the newsroom with a rendition of Oklahoma' or a homemade paean to pizza.

Ritz retired from the $O \mathfrak{S} E$ in 2001, shortly after being given a lifetime achievement award by the company

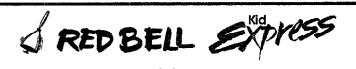
He deserved it,' said Phil Power, chairman of the board of HomeTown

Communications, the parent company of the OSE "He was the consummate 'desk man,' a terrific editor with a great flair for rewriting a lifeless story"

Ritz was born Nov 27, 1933, at Clarksburg, Pa He received a bachelors degree from Wayne State University

He is survived by his wife, Mary Jane, children, Jennifer (Jason) McNaughton and Michael Ritz, grandchildren, Emma Jane and Brandon Bishop, and siblings Marian J Klimas, Michael (Carolyn) Ritz and Edward Ritz He was preceded in death by brother Andrew Ritz

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'I think it was great for the kids," said Leslie Greeneisen, the PCACs art education coordinator It gave them a chance to learn from a professional how to take a good photograph

While the exhibit might not necessarily qualify as a 'fine art show, it does provide adult observers with a unique opportunity to see the world through the eyes of fifth-graders

FUND-RAISER

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has 20 years of fund-raising experience - has pulled in \$50,000 thus far, with nearly half from one donor

"It's all about building relationships with donors, and that takes time," said Tanner, who noted it's about time public schools joined higher education in looking for outside funding

All of their financial eggs have been in one basket, and thats from the state, she said And, when revenue from the state decreases, the schools are ın trouble

'Individuals are the backbone of philanthropy, and if they understand the importance of public schools they will support them with philanthropic dollars, added Tanner "We're not going to be able to provide the caliber of students to college unless we have good public schools feeding the system

Givens said tapping into the district's alumni for financial help could have very positive

The photos, one from each student, will be part of the PCAC's Emerging Artists Exhibit, which will showcase art from several different groups, including this year's Damaris Award winner, the Artist Mentorship Program, Artist-in-Residency Program and the Village Potters Guild

The presentation of the Damaris Award takes place 7-9 p m Wednesday, Aprıl 28 Paul Barbero 15 this year's recipient of a Fine Arts Scholarship for outstanding artistic ability and the commitment toward the continuation of art education

parts of our academic program, such as music, the arts or sports, she said 'These are things they were involved in, and perhaps would be interested in making contributions back to their school"

Corporate sponsorships could also net significant dollars for a depleted fund balance

'Long-term partnerships where we could use corporations in a particular area to set up programs that would benefit our students,' she said That could mean a company like Johnson Controls sponsoring math or science programs

The position is expected to pay somewhere in the range of \$55,000-\$75,000 annually And, most board members believe the development director will eventually pay for itself, and then some

However, Givens warns its not a get-rich-quick scheme

"It takes about three years to get a development program functioning well," she said "It won't solve today's financial issues, but it will help the district face major funding challenges down the road'

Bollin family holds final fund-raiser

On May 15 this year, the Bollin famıly of Farmington Hills will realize the completion of a dream funding a fully endowed Memorial Scholarship to honor the memory of their daughter

Bill and Sharon Bollin, owners of Bollin Electric Co in Plymouth, lost their daughter, Leah Marie, in an automobile accident Leah was 23 years old when she suffered an epileptic seizure while driving to work on Aug 15, 2001 She had been seizure free with medication for over four years

The epilepsy was diagnosed when she was seven years old, but she never let it deter her from who she was or what she wanted to accomplish in her life, Sharon Bolling said Leah's dream was to follow in her brother Bob's footsteps by graduating from Lake Superior State University in Sault Ste Marie, Mich

Although learning disabilities that

stemmed from her epilepsy derailed her dreams a few times, she was about to begin her junior year at LSSU Leah's determination in spite of difficulty and her acceptance of others with problems inspired all who knew her, her mother said

To honor that spirit, the Bollin family endowed the Leah Marie Bollin Memorial Award, a scholarship for students who have epilepsy and some of the accompanying learning difficulties They pledged to raise \$100,000 to see that up to four students per year can benefit from a \$1,000 grant The award is renewable (by reapplication) for up to four years if the student is in good academic standing

At a June 27 fund-raiser, held at Fox Hills Golf Course, they expect to reach the \$100,000 mark

'We couldn't be more thankful for all of the help we have received," said Bill Bollin "Businesses and individuals have taken our cause to their

hearts and made what could have been a long trying experience a short happy one I don't think Sharon and I have it in us to keep doing this any longer Its been very emotional for us

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One of the Bollin's friends and contributors, Sam Khashan of Sean O Callaghans in Plymouth, has donated every year, and to celebrate the end of their mission, has volunteered to hold their annual Charity Golf Outing for the Bollin fund this year It will be held at the Fox Hills Golf Course on June 27

As a way of saying thank you to everyone who has helped over the years, Bill and Sharon have arranged to hold a drawing for a seven day cruise for two on Holland America Lines All who attend this year's event will be eligible to win this 'thank you present

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Township gets ash borer grant

Five local communities received 2004 emerald ash borer grants to assist with tree planting projects, Sen Bruce Patterson, R-Canton, announced today

The Department of Natural Resources Urban and Community Forestry program administered these grants as a response to the problem The funding came from the USDA

Forest Service

Last year, I sponsored and the Senate passed Senate Resolution 49 seeking federal assistance due to this invasive insect,' Patterson said 'Millions of trees have been lost and the solution needs to come from Washington to contain the problem This money reflects efforts to help municipalities replace the trees and

other vegetation that were affected Local communities in Sen Patterson's district receiving grants are

Canton Township - \$20,000 Flat Rock - \$20,000

Plymouth Township – \$15,000 Van Buren Township - \$17,600

Woodhaven - \$17,000



Home tour shows what's cookin' in kitchen décor, remodeling

BY MAUREEN JOHNSTON STAFF WRITER

That extensive home renovation passers by have watched for months on West Main near the corner of Orchard in Northville will be open to the public May 2

The curious will be able to $\operatorname{gawk}-\operatorname{at}$ the kitchen anyway The product of Custom Homes by Edward Funke will be one of six kitchens featured on the second annual tour to benefit OUR Camp for Children with special needs

All proceeds of the \$25 tickets go to the local Opportunity, Understanding, Recreation camp, which has a parent-volunteer board that for the second year organized this unique fund-raiser that showcases the hottest gathering spot in local homes

Like last year, visitors to homes in Northville and Plymouth will view vintage to the very latest In addition to admission to the homes, tickets include a luncheon buffet at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall Tickets are available in Northville, at the 108 E Main

St restaurant, as well as the Kitchen Witch and the Northville Chamber of Commerce, in Plymouth, at Haven, or by calling tour organizer Kathryn Peltier at (248) 348-7026

The event, which runs from 11 a.m to 5 p m, was switched to Sunday this year from its inaugural Tuesday in 2003 Even with the weekday, the first-year fund-raiser drew a couple hundred people interested in viewing kitchens in their neighbors' homes Homes on the tour this year are Chip and Ellen Grimes on Arselot, Ann and Garry Harris on Linden, Ed and Barb Funke on Main Street, Nancy and David Sabol on White Pine Circle, Trina and Mike Miller on Horton, and Marv and Karen Moran on Charnwood Drive in Plymouth

The home styles range from a 1960s quad-level to a new Victorian to an Arts and Crafts, Peltier said Merchants contributing time and accessories for the tour day are Northville's Ronnie Cambra of the Kitchen Witch, Donna Cullinan for Center Street Design, and Plymouths Nancy Sutherland

of South Living at Home and Nancy Sabol of Haven

All proceeds from the tour go toward covering expenses of OUR camp, the organizer said, primarily rent Hopefully, the event also will help provide 'camperships" to cover for need children the \$400 cost to attend Parent volunteers operates the camp for children ages 3-9 with special needs, explained Peltier

OUR, camp, which greets 50-60 children primarily from western Wayne County each season, is organized into two sessions of three weeks each, starting in June Many of the children attend both sessions, to be held this year at Northville Christian School on Six Mile Road Groups of six children, each with two counselors, rotate throughout the day a variety of activities, including arts and crafts, water play, large motor play, and dramatic play If the May 2 tour goes like last year's, the event will continue as the camp's annual fund-raiser, Peltier said

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Spaghetti fund-raiser helps Maybury

BY MAUREEN JOHNSTON STAFF WRITER

People came from in and around the area to eat spaghetti, spend time with friends, and support the return of Maybury Farm

The Northville Crossing restaurant in Northville last Thursday served up dozens of dinners during 4, 5, 6 and 7 p m sittings Restaurant owners Alex and Effie Alexandris agreed to host the event to support rebuilding the vintage farm destroyed by fire in February 2003

The Northville Community Foundation, which is leasing the farm property from the state, collected proceeds from the fund-raiser, including the tips donated by the restaurant staff The non-profit agency is leading efforts to return the working farm operation through community contributions

'I can't thank them enough, Alex and Effie," said Foundation president Shari Peters

Money collected from the \$12 ticket sales would bump up the approximate \$128,000 that individuals, businesses, classrooms, service organizations and other entities to date have pitched in to return the farm to the educational and entertaining attraction past visitors remember

"We grew up going there," said Michele Cadaret after finishing her spaghetti dinner The Northville resident attended the event with her 3-year-old daughter Madilynn, her mom Carol Andrikides, also of Northville, and her sister Angela Jones of Franklin, who brought her infant son, Spencer Experiencing the lessons of the farm became a local family tradition, the three women agreed

'I think the community really wants it (back), Andrikides said

The two young moms, both first-grade

teachers at Dolsen Elementary School in the South Lyon school district, recalled Maybury memories - at the farm, as well as fishing, bike riding, rollerblading and walking from their youth that they hope to share with their own children

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In fact, Cadaret had hosted in her classroom a year before the fire a representative from the farm who described the operation, the importance of farming, and the products from animals and the harvest

'I'd love to take (Spencer) to the farm to see the animals," Jones said "It influenced our love for animals, too We grew up with horses and pet rabbits"

Anne Kohls and Kathi Brandi, a foundation volunteer and Peters' assistant, helped guide the stream of ticket holders arriving on the hour There was a combination of people Northville Crossing regulars, those who came in the first time for the cause, and others prompted in by the sign at the Northville Road entrance, Brandi said

"They're pleased with our efforts to continue the farm," Kohls said

Northville City Manager Gary Word and his wife, Denise, and city Department of Public Works director Jim Gallogly and his wife Lorna, opted for the 5 p m sitting They praised the efforts to rebuild the farm, the service and the food

The state Department of Natural Resources and community foundation last September inked a renewable 15-year lease for the farm property The state will continue to own the park land, while turning control over to the local agency

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Efforts to rebuild continue

BY MAUREEN JOHNSTON STAFF WRITER

For those looking to signs of hope this spring - Farmer John Beemer is in the fields planting

The night of the spaghetti dinner fundraiser at the Northville Crossing restaurant, Northville Community Foundation President Sharı Peters celebrated the acquisition of a "new' used tractor for use by Beemer, who directed the farmhands at the local facility from 1978 until 2002

Continuing the tradition of the original farm, Beemer will use a team of horses to plow and plant seed, the foundation president said A donated double-horse harness also helped make that happen, she said The nonprofit Foundation, which has taken on the task of returning the living farm to Maybury State Park grounds, in January hired back the personality identified with the living farm.

Beemer had retired at age 55 in 2002 from Maybury and moved his family to a 17 acre, open to the public farm The time has arrived for him to return his attention to the approximate 40-acre local site

Meanwhile, work continues on efforts to

local developer Toll Brothers The goal is placement in another couple of months, Peters said The builders agreed to donate the barn, located at their Island Lakes development at Nine Mile and Napier roads, as well as the cost to move it, Peters said

At this point, they are exploring all options, so we can get it in place as soon as possible," she said 'Hopefully, everything will be in place mid-June'

Involving representatives from the surrounding area is important to return the farm and keep it viable, Peters has said

They want to present (the educational programming) to the Foundation board by the fall of 2004," she said

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On another part of the site, crews have been at work on the farm house, where the Beemer family again will reside Local tradesmen and suppliers have provided the time and materials to spruce up windows, cupboards, and tile, Peters said The foundation also created a fund raising arm for the farm rebuilding effort

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Highland Park's rich history | Local Arabs working hard deserves more than despair

ou'd never guess it, but our modern era was born in Highland Park, a tiny town where many of the side streets look like a scene from some post-nuclear hell

There are abandoned and burned-out buildings, soggy sofas and old tires and all manner of garbage lying on front lawns in this tiny enclave city that was once the place to be That's on the west side of Woodward Avenue

Blocks away, over on the east side, a giant abandoned factory stretches for more than a block behind a shopping plaza that recently lost the city's only full-service grocery store

But you can tell it was once something special, and it was Ninety years ago, thousands worked



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here, creating the 20th century One day in 1913, they took a picture of 12,000 of them surrounding the building, called "the most expensive photo ever made," since they posed on company time

Ford Motor Co, that is What was made here was the Model T, the car which put the nation on wheels That changed everything, how we saw ourselves and our world Fifteen million Model Ts clattered out of this

building

Now, however, it is abandoned and forgotten When Detroit was celebrating its 300th anniversary three years ago, nobody said a word about Highland Park, the city where the automotive revolution began Ford did nothing, despite the pleas of Harriet Saperstein, whose nonprofit economic growth organization. HP Devco, is responsible for what tiny flickers of life exist in a city that by any reasonable measure, should be given up as lost

Today, the most optimistic thing you can say about Highland Park is that it is in desperate shape When the last Model T rolled off the line in 1927, it had something like 53,000 residents in three jam-packed square miles They lived mainly in comfortable-to-elegant wood-frame homes

The population today is barely 16,000, who are disproportionately old, jobless, terribly poor and nearly all black Unemployment was 227 percent last month That was good news, it had been 24 percent

Nearly half the children in the city live in deep poverty The city is being run by an emergency financial manager appointed in 2001, after the city could not pay its bills She found the records were in complete chaos

Today, on the surface, things look even worse The epidemic of arson that devastated many streets seems to have abated But the city's one Blockbuster video store has closed The Farmer Jack, which opened in 1997 to considerable fanfare in front of the old plant (shoppers entered the store walking under a glass-enclosed Model T) was replaced by a no-frills Food Basics store

When Detroit was celebrating its 300th anniversary three years ago, nobody said a word about Highland Park, the city where the automotive revolution began.

How did the city that put America on wheels come to this?

What happened was "that a lot of people made money here and then abandoned Highland Park, said Saperstein, whose job is to be constantly on the lookout for anything that might bring in jobs

Ford gradually phased out of the city after the Model T ended production in 1927 But that wasn't the end of Highland Park For many more years it served as Chrysler's headquarters But in 1987, Chrysler left, too

That finished the town Nearly three-quarters of the city's tax base immediately vanished. To Chrysler's credit, it contributed \$5 million to start HP Devco, the cause for which Harriet, the wife of a physics professor at Wayne State, and a few faithful lieutenants have labored for years They've had their successes, mainly an industrial park on the east side of town One employer, Budco, Inc , has created more than 1,000 jobs But it isn't enough It is hard to see how the city can ever make it

Titus McClary believes, however He was elected mayor last fall, replacing a man who spent much of his time in Tennessee "I think we've turned the corner,' said McClary, 66, a retired policeman whose mother moved to Highland Park in 1952 because the school system provided free books

The mayor is happy that the city was allowed to issue \$6.3 million in bonds earlier this year That enabled Highland Park to pay pensions it had gotten behind on, plus some other debts "Now we just have to get some new business to move to the city,' McClary said That won't be easy, he concedes, largely because of crime There isn't much left of the city's police force, but sheriff's deputies now patrol Highland Park's streets

Saperstein thinks it would help a lot if the company that started it all would do its part Repeatedly, she has asked Ford for some help But Ford said no, it was putting its philanthropic efforts elsewhere (A Ford spokesman dıdn't return a call for this column)

"I do believe that Ford has more responsibility to Highland Park than it has shown so far," she said The town sprung up, she notes, because of the automaker, which then left it to rot Ford, she believes, needs a better idea

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to bring peace to Middle East

[®]he disintegrating situation in the Middle East is a distant event for many of us that occasionally reaches our internal radar

via television news briefs, newspaper articles or Internet news sites

For Nicola Antakli, a Bloomfield Hills resident and chairman and CEO of Troy-based Intraco Corp , the escalating conflict is not only a real and growing threat to his business interests, but to the two countries he holds dearest His native land of Svria and his adopted country the United States

It is not in Antakli's nature to sit around and let others solve problems He is a man of considerable influence both locally and

throughout the Middle East His company, which he founded in 1971, has grown into a thriving multinational trade, consulting and distribution firm with interests in Lebanon, Syria and the United Arab Emirates

For his efforts, Antakli has been bestowed a number of personal and professional awards over the years, most notably the Ellis

Island Medal of Honor in 1996

Antaklı believes his native land is being treated unfairly by the US government and the Bush administration in particular, which is painting it as a country friendly to Saddam Hussein and terrorists, and slapping unnecessary and punitive sanctions on it as part of the Syrian Accountability Act, passed by Congress shortly after the war with Iraq began

Antaklı's views are shared by many Arab-Americans who call southeast Michigan home To build his case, Antakli used his influence to bring Syria's new ambassador to the United States, Dr Imad Moustapha, to town to meet with local Arab leaders and speak directly with the media about Syria's role in the Middle East

Moustapha embodies what he and Antakli say is the real Syria, one not seen nor accurately portrayed in the West open, diverse, committed to peace and optimistic about the future

Moustapha, 43, has served as ambassador for a little more than a year In that time, he has been heralded as a lead reformer for his government and, unlike his predecessors, embraces public appearances and uses every chance he gets to change the image of his country

A computer engineer and classical music fan who has his own Web site, Moustapha is not a career politician, precisely why he was tapped for the position because of his forward-thinking ways by a government committed to reform

Moustapha was particularly interested in one

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of the guests at the luncheon, which was held last weekend at the Oakland Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Township where Antakli is a member US Rep Joe Knollenberg

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Moustapha seemed eager to try to convince Knollenberg, a Republican whose district includes Troy where Antakli's corporation is based and a staunch supporter of the Bush administration, that Syria wants to play a role in bringing peace to the Middle East

Following Moustapha's luncheon speech, I had a chance to chat privately with him, and asked how he thought his comments were received by Knollenberg, whom he had never met before the lunch

"I am not going to pretend that there are not real differences between our two countrues on issues related to the Middle East, but we are both civilized countries and should be able to work out our differences," he said "The key to success is dialogue and a better understanding of each other'

For instance, Moustapha said his government has offered to work in concert with US military forces to seal off his country's border with Iraq Not only has the offer been rebuffed, he said, but the Bush administration has accused Syria of offering safe passage to those loyal to Saddam Hussein

"If they think we are bluffing about working together on the border issue, why does the Bush administration not call our bluff?" he said "What is there to lose?"

I also asked him how he thought average Americans - like some he met during his visit to southeast Michigan - viewed his country

"I think there are misperceptions about Syria that we are anti-American and anti-Semitic and are opposed to lasting peace," he said "Yes, we have differences as it relates to the Israeli-Palestinian issue, but we all want peace and stability We just want everyone treated fairly and the same

Moustapha said he realizes the size of the task in changing Syria's image His country is making real efforts at reform, he said, and the key is making sure people know about it And that includes the president

"I met with President Bush two weeks ago 💈 and I had my wife with me," he recalled "I introduced my wife to the president, and told him that she was a Ph D candidate in computer science

"Your president seemed genuinely surprised that a Syrian woman could hold such a position, so I took the opportunity to remind him that in my country, women long have held important positions and are empowered, to do many things We are all not fundamentalists and radicals in the Middle East"

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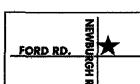
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COUNTY NEWS

Students will check health of the Rouge River

Participating schools

About 100 schools throughout Oakland and Wayne counties are participating in the Rouge Education Project this year Students from the following schools will be monitoring the health of the Rouge River next week

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Canton High School Field Elementary Plymouth High School

Salem High School Tonda Elementary

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III Tinkham Alternative High School

Don't be surprised to see school buses parked in some unusual spots on May 5, a day when the Rouge River will become a living classroom for students from almost 100 area schools More than 7,000 students -

from Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills to Plymouth and Canton - will be monitoring the health of the Rouge as part of the Rouge Education Project (REP), a program that has grown dramatically since it was founded in 1987 The REP is coordinated by Friends of the Rouge, a Dearborn Heights-based non-profit organization dedicated to restoring and protecting the Rouge

According to Christina Bartoli, associate coordinator of the REP, 95 schools are participating this year, which is up from only 16 schools when the program began 18 years ago It is open to elementary, middle school and high school students

"It's an opportunity for the students to get out of the classroom and do some real, hands-on field work, she said "It also gets them engaged with a natural resource that most of them don't even know exists, despite the fact the Rouge runs through our backyard?

Students perform as many as nine different chemical tests, and check for the level of dissolved oxygen, pH, total phosphates, nitrates, and fecal

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coliform bacteria, commonly referred to as E coli They also look for the presence of macroinvertebrates, the aquatic insects, crayfish, snails and other organisms that can tell a great deal about the health of a river

The chemical tests give you an instant snapshot of what s happening with the river at any given time, but the results fluctuate as different variables change upstream, Bartoli said The macroinvertebrate counts are what really tell us about the overall health of the river, because if they can survive it tells us the river is pretty healthy'

The students take the test results back to the classroom, where they are tabulated and then reported to Friends of the Rouge's Web site Friends of the Rouge compile all the results on the Web site, so they can be viewed by the public Some of the results are even reported to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, something that helps the agency monitor the Rouge

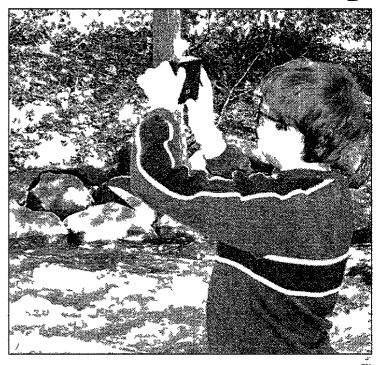
While the program is really designed to raise awareness of the Rouge and its pollution sources, there have been cases where the students have identified real problems In the early 1990s, for example, stu dents from Farmington High School found a broken sewer pipe that was spewing sewage into the Rouge near 12 Mile and Orchard Lake roads

Reef Morse, of Steppingstone School in Farmington Hills, is one of 184 teachers taking part in the REP this year This will be his third year taking students down to a Rouge tributary in Farmington Hills He said the program is a favorite for his students

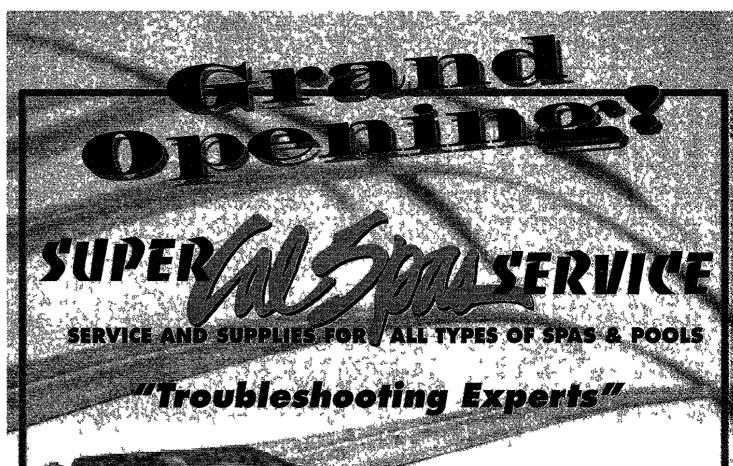
"In addition to doing the chemical and physical tests, we spend a lot of time discussing the bigger picture, such as the concept of a watershed and what happens when people pour things down the stormdrains," said Morse, who is a co-founder of the independent school for gifted students

"We want the kids to know they are part of a community and their actions affect that community After we do this,

the kids start to have a real sense of being able to look at their environment And the theme we try to get across 15 What do you want your environment to look like?' Although some of them are only in fourth or fifth grade, they really seem to get it They just love this program"



This student checks the chemical makeup of the Rouge River last year. He was one of thousands of students from around the watershed to take part in the Rouge Education Project which is in its 18th year



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Section B

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PERFECT START – Salem starts softball season 2-0



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Salem repels **Canton rally**

Give Canton credit for its doggedness And give Salem credit for its steadfastness

The Rocks struck for four runs in the first three innings and, behind an impressive defensive performance, kept the Chiefs off the scoreboard for six innings

But it took some collective cool by Salem to withstand a seventhinning Canton rally and emerge with a 4-3 victory

The Rocks improve to 6-5 overall, 1-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association Canton is 2-9 overall, 0-1 in the WLAA.

Considering there were a total of 21 hits by the two teams in the game, it should be no surprise that defense was the key component And although the Chiefs played well, converting two double plays in the game, Salem made big plays when it had to

Two in particular stood out In the third inning, with the Rocks up 3-0, the Chiefs had runners on first and second with two out Tarık Khasawneh hıt a line shot toward the gap in right-center field, but Salem right-fielder Brian Bradley made a diving catch to end the inning

"We kind of take those plays by Brian for granted,' said Salem coach Dale Rumberger "It's a hard play but he's a great athlete"

The second proved to be even more pivotal Trailing 4-0, Canton opened the sixth inning with a double by Dave Neu Khasawneh followed with a line shot down the left-field line, and Canton coach Scott Dickey sent Neu racing home

It proved to be a costly gamble Salem leftfielder Dylan Tobin fielded the ball and fired it to the cutoff man, third baseman Dave Pawlukiewicz, who turned and cut down Neu at the plate with a throw to catcher Drew Parling When Khasawneh tried to move to second on the play, Paring threw him out, too

Instead of having a run in and a man on base with no one out, Canton had two out with the bases clear

"The ball was hit harder than I thought,' said Dickey, "and I was trying to be aggressive, trying to get something going Their guys made the play I was disappointed about that'

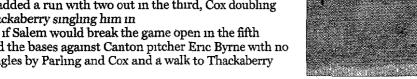
Rumberger would hardly fault Dickey on the play, which surprised him as well "We practice that all the time, but high school kids aren't always going to make good throws,' he said

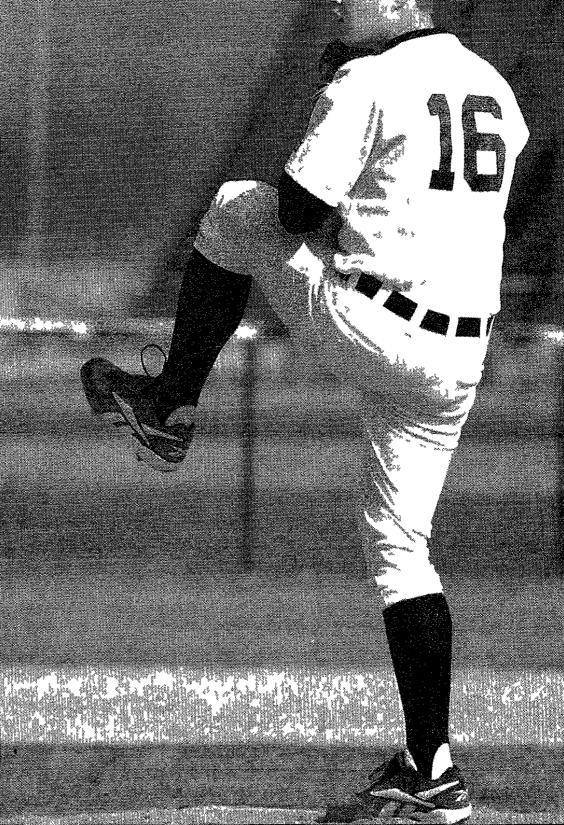
"How many times are high school kids going to make three good throws on one play? That was good baseball right there How often is that going to happen?"

Salem scored twice in the first inning, Bradley getting it started with a base hit and Parling following with a hit-and-run single that put runners at second and third Steve Cox then singled to score both runners

The Rocks added a run with two out in the third, Cox doubling and Andy Thackaberry singling him in

It looked as if Salem would break the game open in the fifth when it loaded the bases against Canton pitcher Eric Byrne with no one out on singles by Parling and Cox and a walk to Thackaberry





PLEASE SEE BASEBALL, B4 Nic England pitched six shutout innings for Salem against arch-rival Canton Thursday

In the hunt

Albion College's baseball team still remained in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association race with a 7-3 record, thanks in part to the play of junior outfielder Chris Trott

A Salem graduate, Trott hit 471 through last weekend (April18), collecting eight hits in 17 at-bats with a home run, a double and four runs batted in. He also stole two bases

For the season, Trott is batting 306 with 34 hits, including four doubles, a triple and two homers, with 18 RBI and 26 runs scored Albion is 17-14 overall

Hole in one

Ricky Huetter, a 15year-old from Plymouth, had a dream come true when he visited the **Disney Resorts in** Orlando over the holidav

Huetter got a hole-inone at the 172-yard seventh hole at Eagle Pine Huetter used a five iron, it was his first ace ever

Track scorers

The Canton boys track team had three topthree performances at the Farmington Freshmen/Sophomore Invitational Friday at Farmington Harrison HS

Eric Zech, Nathan Philips, Andy Rossow and Cyrus Azizi turnedin a first-place finish in the distance medley relay, winning the event in 11 35 7 Steve Paye and Rossow also took a second in the high jump relay with a combined total of 11-feet, 4-inches, and Ben Norville, Rossow, Azizi and **Phaltiel Whitlock were** third in the sprint medley relay

On top: Salem's off to a strong start

At last spring's Western Lakes Activities Association Girls Golf Tournament, Salem showed it was something very special by finishing second to Livonia Stevenson

What made the Rocks so promising was that only one of their top 10 golfers graduated That means this year they should be one of the teams to beat. in both the WLAA and at the state regional

Nothing Salem's done thus far has altered that assumption On Wednesday at Hilltop, the Rocks opened their WLAA dual-meet season with a 188-213 triumph over cross-campus rival Canton

All four Salem scorers shot 49 or bet-



ter And that was with one of the Rocks best, Jamie Siedlaczek, struggling through a very rare off-day Siedlaczek shot a 55, but her teammates more than made up for it

Ashley Smith, just a sophomore, and Amyrose Mitchell led Salem with 46s Kristen Schwan shot a 47 and Danielle Powers had a 49 Emily Brockschmidt was the Rocks other golfer, she had a 60

Canton was paced by Heather Hughesian with a 52 Katie Hoeksma and Beth Treadwell had 53s. Natalie Slupek shot 55, Cami Milwood carded a 74 and Jackie Croyle finished with a 79

"All of these kids are experienced," said Salem coach Rick Wilson of his team Smith, who finished second at the WLAA Tournament last season, has been particularly impressive

She could be really special," said Wilson On Friday at the Hartland Best Ball Tournament at Dunham Hills in Hartland. Smith and Siedlaczek proved just how

PLEASE SEE GOLF. B4

Sarkesian lifts **Rocks to victory**

Marissa Sarkesian poured in five goals and added an assist as Salem pounded Livonia Churchill 10-2 Wednesday in a Western Lakes

Activities Association crossover soccer match played at Churchill

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The Rocks improved

to 2-0-1 overall The Chargers fell to 0-7

Salem led 4-1 at the half Kristin March contributed two goals for the Rocks, with Amy Gizicki adding a goal and two assists and Kim Towne contributing a goal and an assist

Kathryn Wheatley also scored a goal, and Megan McCarthy had two assists Other assists went to Jordan Falcusan and Jenna Foster

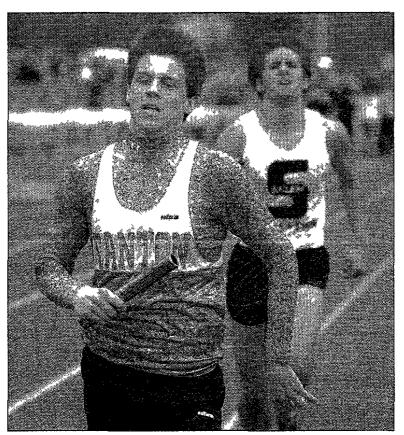
Both Churchill goals were scored by Jacqui Gatt Canton 7, W.L. Central O: Bailey Fagan carved up

Walled Lake Central with three goals and an assist in leading Canton to a lopsided win Wednesday at Canton

The Chiefs improved to 5-0-1 overall with a victory in its first WLAA match

Andrea Johnson added two goals for Canton, and Lisa Ealy had a goal and two assists Kelsev Zemanski also scored a goal

Rachel Perry contributed two assists, with Katie Mills and keeper Brittany Cervi adding one assist apiece



A helping hand

Eric Zech shown here running in the city meet, finished second in 10 45 2 in the 3,200-meter run Thursday against Northville, helping Canton to a dual-meet victory For meet results, please turn to B3

Rocks pound out 2 wins in WLAA duals

They're swinging pretty good to start with

Salem's tennis team opened its season with a pair of dual-meet victories over Western Lakes Activities Association competition, defeating Walled Lake Western 5-3 on Thursday and Livonia Franklin 7-1 on Friday

On Thursday against Western, Salem's No 1 singles Pat Shaw came from a set down to beat Ryan Jackson 3-6, 6-2, 6-2 Chris Treadwell had an easier time at No 2 singles, besting the Warriors' Dan Cohen 6-0, 6-3

At No 3, Salem's Robby Wallen was a winner, 6-0, 6-2 over Charlie Kim, but at No 4, Hitomi Maeda of Western topped the Rocks' David Jung 6-0, 6-0

In doubles play, Western came away with wins at Nos 1 and 2, but Salem's Blake Foster and Neil Bakshi won 6-1, 6-1 at No 3 and Cam Loftus and Mit Shah got a 6-3, 6-2 victory at No 4

In the match against Franklin on Friday, Salems only defeat came at No 1 singles, where Shaw was edged by Ryan Kingsbury 7-6, 7-5

Treadwell was a 6-3, 6-2 winner at No 2 singles over Dave Kosmalski, and Wallen won out at No 3, 6-1, 6-0 over Franklins Steve Vert No 4 singles went to Salem's Roma Buffa, who returned to the lineup and beat Pat Harris 6-2, 6-0

The Rocks' Kushal Mistry and Alex Poe were 2-6, 7-6, 7-5 winners over Corey Stram and Ryan Monarch at No 1 doubles At No 2, John Schellhase and Dave Geick topped Alex Witte Matt Vincin 6-1, 6-0, and at No 3, Salem's Bakshi and Foster bettered the Patriots' Kyle Fox and Jason Madburch, 6-0, 6-0 Loftus and Shah were 6-0, 6-3 victors over Franklin's Eric Cierpal and Dave Kokowski at No 4

Salem travels to Livonia Churchill Monday for its next WLAA meet

Wildcat boosters

The Plymouth Wildcat Football Boosters will have their next meeting at 7 pm May 4 in Room 401 of Plymouth HS

All parents of current and incoming freshmen football players are encouraged to attend this meeting

Softball clinic

The Canton HS softball team and coaches will have their annual girls softball clinic from noon to 4 p m May 1 at Canton HS

Varsity players and coaches will give instruction in hitting, fielding, base-running and throwing The cost is \$25 and is for girls 8+ 14 years old.

To register, call Colleen Brown at (734) 455-1614 or email her at

cbrown57@comcast net Girls must pre-registerto participate

Skating lessons

Skateland West has openings for its spring session inline and roller skating lessons, which begin May 18 The cost is \$30 for six weeks Private lessons are also available

Call (734) 326-2801 for more information (

WOMEN'S GOLF

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The Hickory Creek Ladies Golf League, which plays on Thursday mornings throughout the summer, is looking for new members in the Plymouth/Canton area

The nine-hole league is played at Hickory Creek Golf Course, which is located at Ford Road and Napier Road in Canton

League members tee off every

Thursday at 8 a m beginning May 6 For more information, contact Susan Morman at (734) 414-9941

CO-ED GOLF LEAGUE

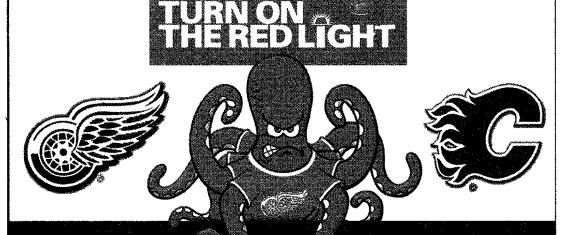
Northville Parks and Recreation is offering an 18week adult co-ed golf league starting Monday, May 3 at Brae Burn Golf Course Tee time start is 5 29 p m The cost is \$450

For more information, call (248) 449-9947

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

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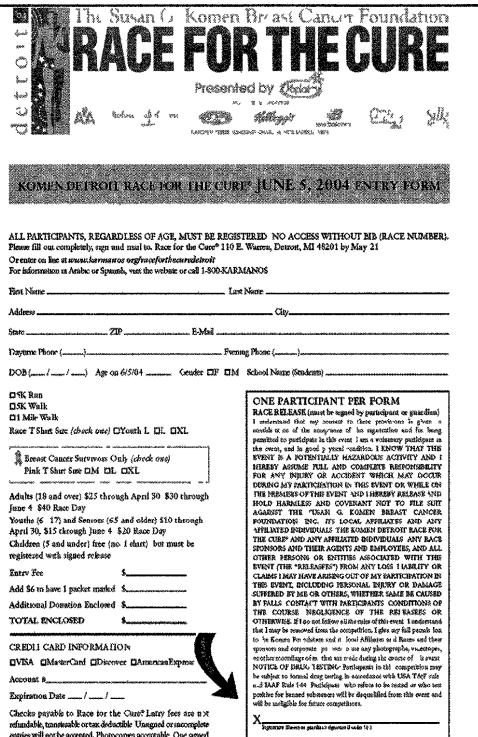
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ADULT CO-ED KICKBALL

Northville Parks and Recreation is offering an adult co-ed kickball league starting Friday, May 14 (minimum 15 games)

The entry fee is \$240 per team (umpire fees extra) There will be double-headers For more information, call (248) 449 - 9947

BADMINTON EQUIPMENT

Northville Parks and Recreation is offering any level school badminton program free used feathered badminton shuttlecocks For more information, call

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BASEBALL TRYOUTS

The Motor City Cobras 11and-under travel baseball team will hold spring tryouts for the 2004 season The team will play about 50 to 60 games during the season, plus a World Series For more information, please call Don Haase at (734) 326-

8904 ■ The Canton Mustangs U12 travel baseball team needs a few players for its 2004 squad The Mustangs play in the Kensington Valley Baseball and Softball Association, with 20 league games and 4-to-5 weekend tournaments' (approximately 35 games in all)

For tryout appointments, call Jeff Gatt at (248) 752-7376

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

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

The 11-and-under Michigan Wolves, a travel baseball team based in Livonia, is seeking players to fill out their roster for the 2004 season To be eligible, your birthday must be after July 31, 1992

For more information about

tryout dates, call Scott Linser at (734) 422-4576 or Dave Seger at (734) 422-7741

The Dearborn Heights Knights, an 11-and-under travel baseball team affiliated with American Amateur Baseball Congress, 18 scheduling open tryouts for the 2004 season

For more information, call Rich Grucz at 1-800-949-9834

SOFTBALL LEAGUES

■ Thunderbird Softball Inc (TSI) will be registering and holding tryouts for all area girls interested in playing fastpitch softball, ages eight and under through 19 and over Openings are available in both the recreation leagues (which guarantee playing time) and for the more competitive travel and tournament teams

Please call coach Bruce at (734) 981-1796 or email at playfastpitch@hotmail com for tryout locations and times and to register at the Canton Softball Center Tryout applications are also available on our webpage thunderbirdsoftball tripod com

The Thunderbirds are not affiliated with the CCJBSA or its subsidiary, Pride Fastpitch The 501(c)3 nonprofit group offers ASA-certified coaches and fun fund-raising opportunities Girls seeking community service work should also call coach Bruce

Northville Parks and Recreation will be offering an adult women's softball league, starting Tuesday, May 6, along with an adult co-ed softball league, starting Sunday, May

Cost for each league (12 games) is \$410 per team For more information, call (248) 449-9947

BADMINTON TOURNEY

Northville Parks and Recreation is sponsoring its third annual Midwest Stephen Race Badminton Tournament, Friday through Sunday, May 7-9, at the Recreation Center at Hıllsıde

Race was a player who was instrumental in building badminton popularity in the midwest

Last year, 110 players participated from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts. Indiana and Ontario

Tournament officials expect 120 participants for the 2004 tourney including 2000 Olympic gold medal winner Tony Gunawan

For more information, call Joe Barberio at (248) 449-9947

WATER EXERCISE, CHALLENGE

The City of Livonia Department of Parks and Recreation will hold its River Challenge classes at 6 p m Wednesdays and 8 a m Saturdays, along with its Deep Water Exercise classes 10 a m Tuesdays and Fridays at the **Community Center Aquatics** pool

The River Challenge class is a 50-minute class (Webbed water gloves provided You must wear your own water shoes to each class)

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For more information, or to register, call (734) 466-2925 or visit www.ci livonia mi us

FRANKLIN FOOTBALL ALUMNI

The Livonia Franklin High Football Varsity Alumni Association will stage its second annual dinner from 6 p m to midnight, Thursday, May 27, at the Italian-American Club, located on Five Mile Road (just west of the I-275 overpass)

Those interested should send a \$50 check Franklin Football Varsity Alumni Association, C/O George Lovich, 44142 Parkside Road, Canton, Mi 48187

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Livonia Stevenson High School plans to stage a 40year football all-player reunion, Friday, Sept 10, during its game against Livonia Churchill

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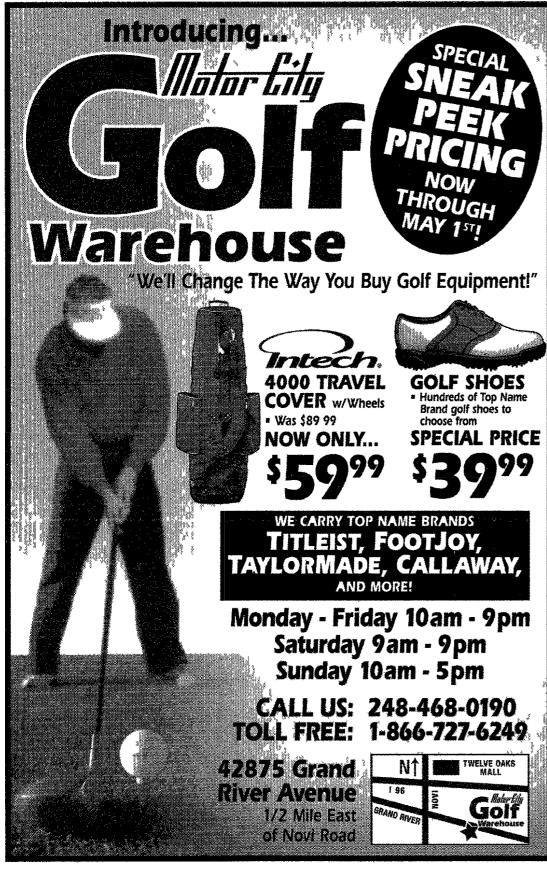
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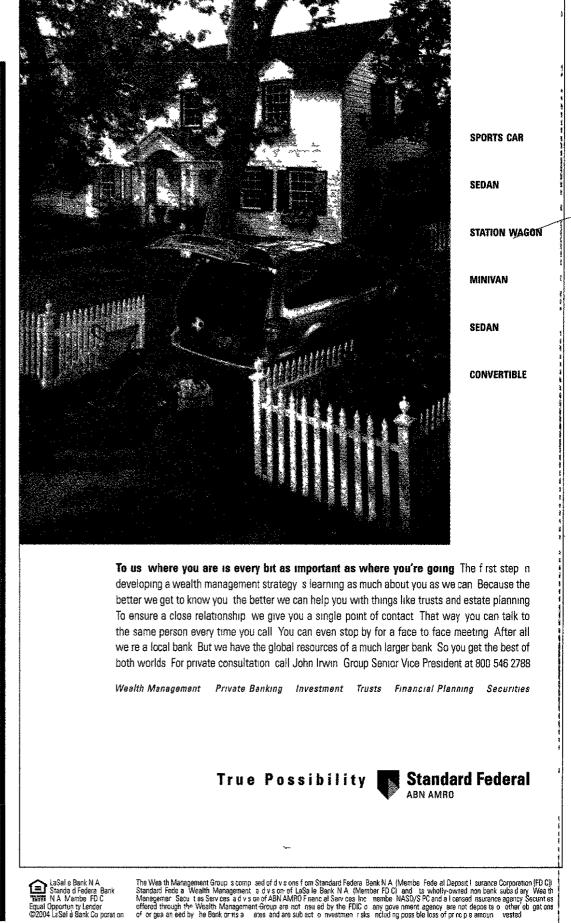
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PCA sweeps Oakland Christian, Plymouth BASEBALL

Two hits That's all that Auburn Hills Oakland Christians baseball team could manage against Plymouth Christian Academy Thursday at PCA

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And that was in two official games

The Eagles improved to 4-1 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference by sweeping the Lancers 10-4 and 12-1 The first game lasted five innings, with Andrew Shumaker improving to 3-0 with a two-hitter

The second game went three innings, Eric Immerfall tossing a no-hitter

In the first game, Shumaker pitched all five innings, allowing one earned run with one walk and two hit batsmen, striking out five Justin Sellers took the loss for Oakland Christian

Aaron Cıborowski led the 10-hit attack for PCA with two hits and two runs batted in Drew Gallagher also had two hits, scoring two runs, and Immerfall collected two hits Jordan Johnston had one hit, stole two bases and drove in two runs

In the second game, Immerfall did not allow an earned run, walking five and fanning four Joe Dixon was the losing pitcher

Gallagher, Cıborowski and Ryan Hutton each had two hits for PCA, Gallagher scoring two runs and driving in another, Ciborowski getting



three RBI and Hutton adding two RBI Dave Bahbah had a triple and scored twice

On Friday, the Eagles battled back from a 10-3 deficit after three innings to beat Plymouth HS 16-10 in a nonleague game at PCA The win gave PCA a 5-1 overall record

The big inning for the Eagles proved to be the sixrun fourth, which was ignited by Ciborowski's grand slam home run He also had a sıngle in the game

Other offensive standouts for PCA were Johnston, who had three hits and three stolen bases, and Steve Sumner, who had three hits

Shumaker improved his pitching record to 4-0 with a sparkling relief pitching job Shumaker, a junior, entered the game with two out in the third After allowing a base hit he shut the Wildcats down, they did not score a run off of him in 41/3innings He allowed three hits and one walk, striking out five while retiring 13 of the 16 batters he faced

Last Tuesday, the Eagles suffered their first loss of the season, 13-2 to Southfield Christian at PCA Bahbah was the losing pitcher, he and reliever Sumner surrendered 10 hits in the fiveinning mercy Brian

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Sternberg was the winning pitcher for Southfield Christian, he also had three hits in the game Ciborowski had two of PCA's six hits

Baptist Park 17, Agape 7: Canton Agape Christian was up 7-6 after two innings, batting around their batting order in each of the first two innings But things fell apart after that

The Wolverines slipped to 1-3 overall, 0-2 in the MIAC Taylor Baptist Park is 1-2 overall, 1-1 in the MIAC

Kyle Miller and Gabe Molnar each had two hits in the game, Molnar driving in a run Matt Molnar had a tworun single in the first and finished with three RBI

Matt Molnar took the pitching loss He worked two innings, allowing nine runs (five earned) on six hits and six walks, striking out two Tyler Stanley got the win for **Baptist Park**

CC 5-3, DeLaSalle 8-2: **Redford Catholic Central** struggled in the opener and evened the score in the nightcap on Wednesday as the Shamrocks split a Central Division doubleheader with Warren De La Salle

CC took a 3-0 lead in the first game, but the Pilots came back for an 8-5 win It was a pitchers' duel in the second game as the Shamrocks took a 3-2 win 'Mike Monterey gave us a

great lift pitching after we

took our fourth loss in a row,' said CC coach John Salter "We was pretty dominant until the fifth inning – having given up a homer and one other error until then They loaded the bases in the sixth, but struck out a hitter with the bases loaded and retired

the side in the seventh Monterey (1-0) struck out 11, allowed four hits and didn't walk a batter in getting the win, while Tim McDonald took the loss for the Pilots Greg Marrone went 2-for-3 with a double for CC (6-5, 3-3), while Eric Vojtkofsky's single was the only other hit Derek Brooks's sacrifice fly in the sixth was the game-winning RBI Jose Bosch was 2-for-4 for the Pilots (2-6) with a solo homer in the second inning and an RBI single in the sıxth

In the first game, a fourrun third inning made the difference for De La Salle Drew Amble and Derek Brooks both went 2-for-4 for CC, while Leo Loria had an **RBI** double for the Pilots

Steve Mazur earned the win for the Pilots, scattering six hits and four walks to go with four earned runs and six strikeouts Matt Rodeghier (1-1) took the loss, with five hits and four earned runs in two innings Marrone finished up, allowing five hits

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Still, Salem's 4-0 lead looked pretty good with Nic England pitching well - especially after Canton's sixth-inning problems

second and third

But the Chiefs did not give up They started the seventh with a walk to Brad Gallison After Rich DeMeyere singled, Rumberger called in Dom D'Aguanno to pitch

But Tobin bounced into a force

bases full, and although a flyout

to center field by Chff Thomas

scored a run, it also ended the

inning when Thackaberry got

caught in a rundown between

out at the plate, leaving the

Reece McCabe greeted the Salem reliever with a base hit, loading the bases Steve Campbell's groundout to second scored a run and left runners at second and third. Craig Galarnau singled to score another run, making it 4-2 and putting runners at the corners

A grounder to deep short by Dave Mintz turned into an infield single, scoring a run to make it 4-3 with runners at first and second Neu followed with

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good they could be by tying for second overall and leading Salem to a tournament title

The Rocks three two-person teams shot a combined 264 to finish well ahead of Farmington, which shot 276 Hartland's A team was third with a 278, followed by South Lyon at 287, Novi, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Milford all tied for fifth at 294, Lakeland eighth at 296, Canton ninth at 300, Fenton 10th at 312, Hartland's B 11th at 319, Ortonville-Brandon 12th at 327, Davison 13th at 330, Pinckney 14th at 337, and Howell 15th at 343

Smith and Siedlaczek combined for an 81, tying Canton's Treadwell and Slupek and a Hartland A team for second place Lakeland's Emily Tucker and Lindsay Pipkin took top honors with a 76

Salem's other scorers were Powers and Schwan, 88, and Mitchell and Anna Ross, 95

"It was really a good test of

another base hit, but Dickey held the runner at third, loading the bases with one out

However, the Chiefs couldn't get the tying run in Khasawneh took a called third strike and Russ Bruner flied out to shortstop Dave Cardenas to end the game

'It was a good game," said Dickey '(Salem) pretty much dominated the first six innings And we're a young ball club But we played probably our most sound defensive game of the season'

It didn t help that Canton lost Jake Powers when he was hit in the face on the second pitch in their half of the first inning He was taken to the hospital in an ambulance, his availability is uncertain

Powers is the fourth key player for the Chiefs to be sidelined thus far this season He joins Matt Hemmelgarn, Kevin Kwiatkowski and Shawn Little, who make up the bulk of Canton's pitching staff

Cox led Salem with three hits and two runs batted in Parling, Pawlukiewicz and DAguanno each added two hits Canton got two hits apiece from Neu and DeMeyere

tough golf course, with rolling hills and greens that were very fast

"It was a good start for us, a good first week '

Included was a 184-206 triumph over WLAA rival Livonia Franklin Thursday at St John's Smith led Salem with a 39, Siedlaczek was next at 45, followed by Powers (47), Ross (53), Schwan (55) and Jesse Silberi (56)

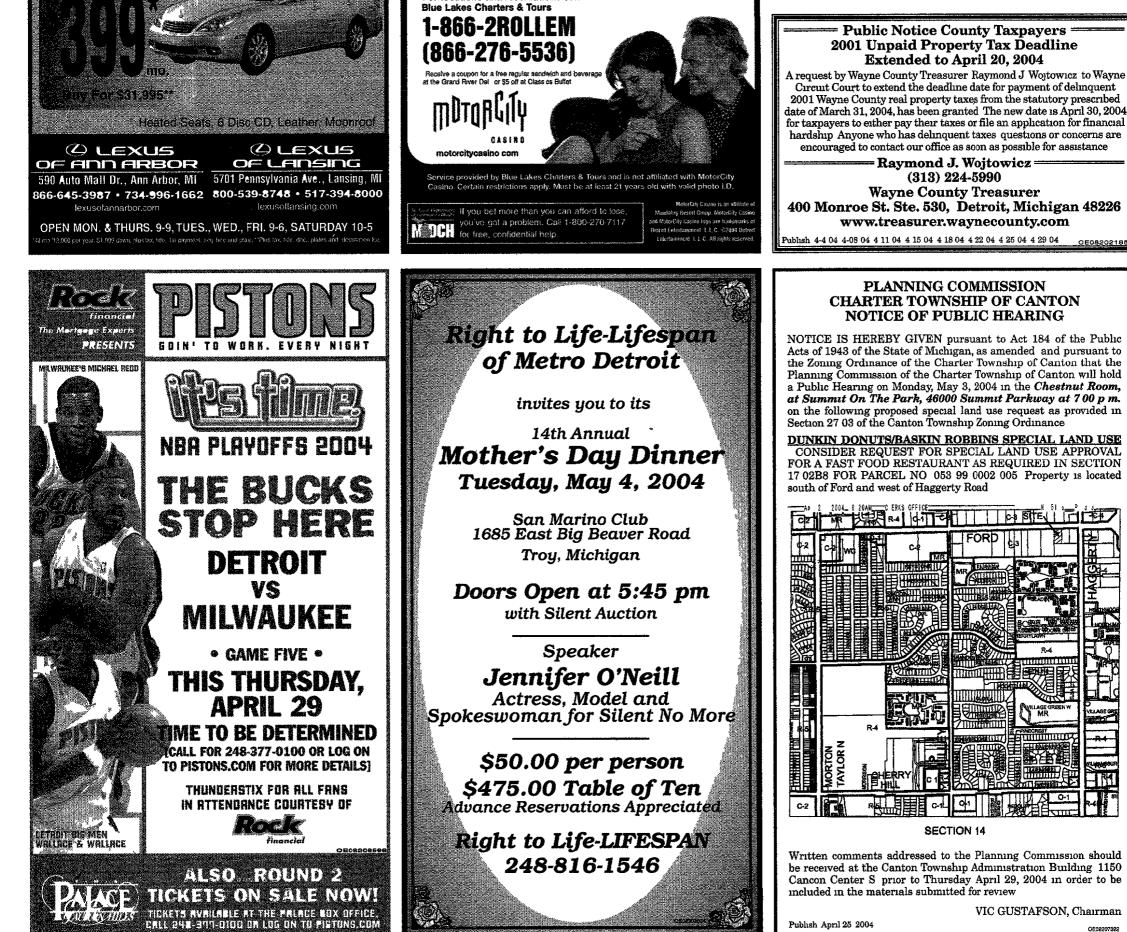
Franklin was paced by Jordan Caskmell at 45, followed by Kim Hoskins (46), Rebekah Zurenka (57) and Sarah Monarch (58)

'I don't want to get overly excited," said a cautious Wilson 'But I was very pleased I don't remember the last time we won a tournament

'We've got some depth If Ashley and Jamie score like they're capable of, we can do well every match We might be one of the favorites (in the WLAA) We were second last year and we have all but one of our people back All of our key players are back

It certainly sounds like a ready made formula for success

Roseville Yosilanti Saginaw golf," said Wilson "It was a very



Rocks roll over Roosevelt; Chiefs win Dearborn ends Pats' win streak

After getting rained out Wednesday, Salem's softball team finally saw some action Thursday and made the most of it, sweeping a non-league double-header from Wyandotte Roosevelt, 13-1 and 7-3 in Wvandotte

The wins allow the Rocks to start the season at 2-0

The first game was a sixinning mercy, with Salem pitching ace Kelli Szczepanski surrendering just three hits and one walk while striking out four Szczepanski also helped herself at the plate, collecting three hits and a run batted in

'Kellı had a great game and proved she is ready to lead this team to great things this year, said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland

Cortney Edwards added three hits and scored three runs, and both Brook Posler and Emily Maletic collected two hits and scored two runs each Sarah Amann con tributed a two-run triple. Maureen Bohr had a run-scoring double, and Natalie Szawara laced a two-run single

Stacey Brewer took the loss for Wyandotte

Szczepanski returned to the mound in the second game and got a second win, tossing six scoreless innings She also got two more hits at the plate

Edwards got two more hits with two runs scored and one RBI, and Posler had two hits Kristy Crawly took the loss

for the Bears

Corutney Davis relieved Szczepanski in the seventh inning and gave up three unearned runs

"Salem again was aggressive at the plate,' said Southerland "I thought they were swinging the bat very well, especially for opening day for us

"The girls played very well and are swinging the bats hard It's only going to get better

Canton 6, Northville 0; Molly Conlon tossed a five-hit shutout as Canton opened its Western Lakes Activities Association season with a win at Northville Friday

Conlon struck out four for the Chiefs in seven innings Rachel Wade had two hits, including a triple, and drove in one run, and Lauren Delapaz added two hits and an RBI Brittany Scero had one hit and two RBI

PCA 13-18, Oakland Christian 1-8 Amanda Saagman threw a twohitter in the first game, a five-

SOFTBALL

Liza Terkoski and Cane chipped in with two hits and two RBI each

In the second game, the mercy rule came into play after six innings Shumaker and Saagman each had four hits, Saagman getting two triples and three RBI and Shumaker adding one triple and two RBI Pew had two hits and four RBI, and both Amy Anderson and Carissa Elenbaas got two hits, Elenbaas driving in three runs

Cane got the pitching win, working the first three innings and allowing eight runs on one hit and 11 walks with four strikeouts Saagman worked the final three innings and did not give up a run, surrendering one hit with no walks and four strikeouts

Macomb Christian 12, Agape Christian 11 Canton Agape Christian scored 11 runs in the first four innings Thursday at Macomb, but the Crusaders overcame an 11-9 deficit by scoring two in the fifth and getting the game-winner in the bottom of the seventh

The Wolverines fell to 0 3 overall, 0-1 in the MIAC Red Division

As you can see, the game was close and we exchanged the lead several times, said Agape coach Clark Sexton In the end, we couldn't score and they did Not to take anything away from Macomb, but we threw the ball around too much and shot ourselves in the foot

Four Agape players had three hits each Rebekah Pummill scored twice after her three hits, Eileen Jarman had a triple among her three, Brittany Pierson scored two runs and Tarah Armbrester got three safties

Amanda Tashnick took the loss for Agape

Regina 6-4, Ladywood 0-0-Nicole Nemitz and Andrea Lagotta patched back-to back shutouts Thursday, lifting unbeaten Harper Woods Regina (6-0, 4-0) past visiting Livonia Ladywood (4-3, 1 3) in a Catholic League Central Division twinbill

Nemitz, a sophomore, tossed a no-hitter in the opener She struck out 14 Ladywood freshman pitcher

Lauren Taylor took the loss She allowed 10 hits and struck out 10

Ligotti hurled a five-hitter in

coach Bill Duncan

Jenny Hamel, the winning pitcher, allowed just three hits in seven innings She struck out four and walked one

Glenn starter Dana Baran also went the distance, allowing nine hits and one walk. She also fanned four

Amanda Alpert had two hits, including an RBI single Roya St Clair also collected two hits, while Jessica Pepp and Jessica Michael each doubles (Pepp scored on Michaels double)

Rebecca Oros had two of Glenns three hits Baran had an RBI single, while Jenny Boris scored on a fielders choice

Glenns Devin Ross cut down two Stevenson runners at the plate on outstanding plays by Oros, the catcher

WL. Western 4, Churchill 0: On Friday, Walled Lake Western pitcher Lauren Talbot blanked visiting Livonia Churchill on four hits in the WLAA Western Division opener for both teams Western 1s 4-0 overall, while

Churchill is 2-4 Talbot, who got the Chargers to chase her riseball after taking the first strike, fanned 12 and did not allow a walk

Losing pitcher Bridget Long allowed seven hits, walked four and struck out five in six innings

Laura Schmidt went 3-for-4 to pace the Warriors offensive attack, while Churchill's Sarah Pernak went 2-for-3

Huron Valley 10, Macomb Christian 0 Senior Lauren Greer pitched a two-hit, five-inning shutout Thursday as host Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (2-2, 1-0) downed Macomb Christian in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference encounter

Greer also helped her own cause with two hits and three RBI Junior third baseman Keri Koch went 3-for 4 with two RBI Kayla Moore went 2-for-2 with a sacrifice and two RBI

A.A. Huron 8-18, John Glenn 2-0: On Thursday, Ann Arbor Huron swept a double-header from Westland John Glenn as Dana Baran was the losing pitcher in the opener and starter Amanda Fullerton took the loss in the nightcap

Liz Brozek had two hits for Glenn in the opener Churchill 11, John Glenn 4

Livonia Churchill (2 3) collected just three hits Wednesday, but took advantage of six Westland John Glenn (0-3)

Franklin clipped, 2-0

Livonia Franklin's five-game winning streak in girls soccer came to a halt as Dearborn scored a pair of goals in the final nine minutes to earn the non-league victory, 2-0, in a game played at Livonia Churchill

Lauren Imsande scored on a penalty kick with 8 37 to play after a handball call With 5 09 remaining, Jessica Supperley scored to seal the win for the Pioneers

The loss drops Franklin to 5-2 overall

"I'm pleased with the way the girls played and the way they adjusted to the late goal to try and come back," Franklın coach Jenny Barker said "We were a bit unlucky at times and didn't capitalize on the chances we had

"It seems as though we spent a fair amount of time in their end and the middle of the park, but we weren t able to get all the way in and finish tonight"

Barker added that her three defenders - jumor Jessica Cadwell, senior Shannon Powers and junior Carly Muncy - combined to do a stellar job of limiting Dearborn's shot attempts N Farmington 2, John Glenn 0:

North Farmington won its second game in as many days Friday, earning a shutout over host Westland John Glenn

Following a scoreless first half, the Raiders (2-2-2) got second-half goals from Lynette Camaj and Annie Gabriel In the 50th minute,

Catherine Munaco sent a cross to the Glenn goal, and Camaj scored off a scramble in front of the net

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Adrienne Sundquist started the second scoring play 10 minutes later when she pushed up field with the ball and threaded a through ball to Stephanie Licavoli, who sent the ball to the far post

Gabriel was sprinting from the right wing and redirected Licavoli's pass into the net The Raiders outshot the

Rockets, 14-6 Most of the Glenn shots were from long distances, and the Rockets (1-6-1) never seri-

ously threatened to score Lutheran North 7, Lutheran Westland 0: Erin Pykkonen tallied a pair of goals Thursday to power host Macomb Lutheran North to a Metro Conference triumph over Lutheran High Westland (0-3-1, 0-1)

Warriors' goalkeeper Amanda Poole made a total of 20 saves

Lutheran Westland also received strong play in the midfield from Samantha Wiemer, according to coach Ken Shingledecker

Stevenson 10, John Glenn 0: Melissa Dobbyn scored a hat trick Wednesday as Livonia Stevenson (4-0-2, 1-0) opened Lakes Division play in the Western Lakes Activities Association with a mercy-rule win at Westland John Glenn (1-5-1, 0-1)

Stevenson jumped out to an 8-0 halftime lead and put it away with two goals in the second half

Kate Howe contributed two goals and two assists, while Lia Williamson finished with two goals and one assist

Jamie Radley and Megan McConnell also chipped in with one goal and one assist apiece Wendy Hoots had the other goal for the Spartans, while Danielle Winiesdorffer

and Caitlin Boyak also drew assists

Goalkeepers Mindy Magoulick and Shaina O Connor split time for the shutout

Franklin 3, Wayne O. In a WLAA crossover match played Wednesday at Livonia Stevenson, host Livonia Franklın (5-1) blanked Wayne Memorial (3-4) on first-half goals by freshman forward Mandy McAuliffe, sophomore forward Jessica Austin and junior defender Carly Muncy

McAuliffe scored two minutes into the match when she connected from the top of the box after some confusion in front of the Wayne goal

Austin's goal came with 29 minutes remaining when she took on a Zebra defender and drove a shot in from outside the post Muncy's goal came off an assist from junior Renee Farrell with just under six minutes left in the half

"Although it wasn't the best half of soccer for us, the first 1s when we did all of our scoring,' Franklin coach Jenny Barker said "The second half was a better played half for us even though we didn't get any more goals on the board The Wayne goalkeeper (Jenny Hardy) did a great job of taking away some of our better chances "

Hardy came on in the second half for the injured Angle Jones

Barker also praised the play of freshman midfielder Kelly Rouher and senior midfielder Shannon Powers, along with defenders Farrell and junior Jessica Cadwell

"We played a very talented Franklin team," Wayne coach Larry Brenner said "Our offensive line couldn't get through Franklin's defensive unit'



inning mercy, and then combined with Justine Cane on a two-hitter in the second game as Plymouth Christian Academy swept a pair from Auburn Hills Oakland Christian Thursday at PCA.

The Eagles improved to 5-2 overall, 3-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Oakland Christian is 1-6 overall, 0-3 in the MIAC

In the opener, Saagman allowed one run on two hits and two walks, striking out six She also went 3-for-4 at the plate with two doubles and two RBI

Lindsay Pew provided the big bat, collecting three hits - two of them triples - and driving in three runs Sarah Shumaker,

the hightcap and Nemitz col lected three of Reginas nine hits

Kaitlyn Huddas, who went the distance for Ladywood, suf fered the loss She struck out five

Amanda McClellan had two hits for the Blazers

Regina is a good team, the best I ve seen so far,' Ladywood coach Bob Lulek said

Stevenson 5, John Glenn 2 Livonia Stevenson got off to a solid start in the Lakes Division portion of its WLAA schedule with a win over Westland John Glenn Friday

With the win, the Spartans improve to 3-6 overall and 1-0 in the loss Glenn is winless in five games under first-year

errors to earn the WI crossover win

Churchill tallied six in the third inning one in the fourth and four in the top of the sev enth to put it away

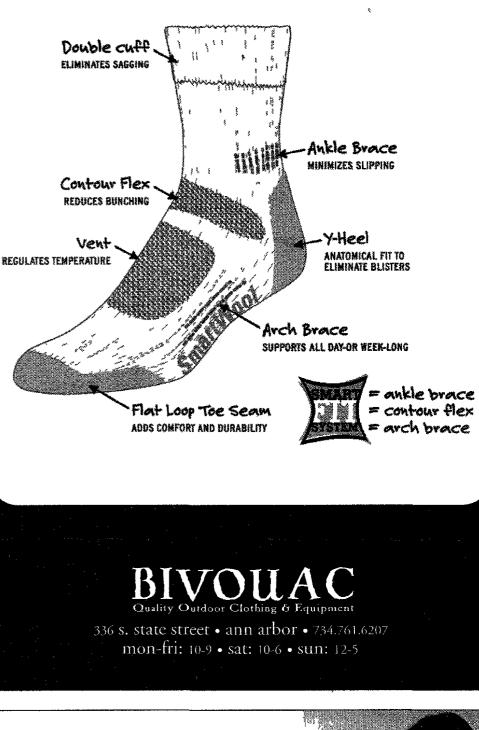
Winning pitcher Bridget Long (2-1) allowed just two hits over seven innings She struck out 11 and walked only two

Losing pitcher Dana Baran gave up three hits and five walks while striking out seven in going the distance

Cat Sidor led the Chargers offensively, going 2-for-3 with two RBI Brynn Kerr went 1for 3 and scored a pair of runs

Stephanie Reese and Liz Brozek collected the only hits for Glenn





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his year's edition of the Michigan State Bowling Tournament is going to undergo a major shake-up in the standings as my group of teams will be participating together in the Team event Saturday, May 1 and the Singles and Doubles on Sunday, May 2

I will be there wearing my red, white and blue striped Greater Detroit Bowling Association team shirt and ready to vie for the top spots I may not bowl all that well, but the only way to compete is with a winning attitude I am sure the rest of our guys will be putting out their best effort and with the Detroit Red Wings attitude, "we are going to win this one today" and that will help make it happen, for sure.

The championship team from the Greenfield Mixed league bowling Friday nights at Country Lanes in Farmington Hills had the claw and scratch their way in the roll-offs in order to get past the winning team of the second half

Team 16 with Matt and Heidi Boettcher and teammates Bob and Carol Rice all from Livonia who virtually came out of nowhere to beat everyone else for the half Now it was up to Team 11 with Captain Lila Hickok of Livonia, Tom Cadeau of Redford along with Debra and Tony VanMeter of Farmington Hills fighting it out on the lanes as each team took

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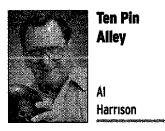
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turns in winning the first two games

The third and deciding game went to the tenth frame and either team could win with a little break The little break was decisive as the last bowler on 16 left a 1-2-4-10 washout on his first ball and came within a fraction of an inch in making it, and Tony VanMeter just had to keep his first ball on the lane to win And he did just that to seal the league championship

It was just about as hectic for the pair of roll-off teams in the Sunday Goodtimers also at Country Lanes as the 8 team, The Good Men with Harry Goodman and Stuart Taub of Southfield, Keith Oswald of Farmington Hills and Dave Rosenthal of West Bloomfield whose efforts won the first half vs 4 E T with Mike and Noah Zipser of Farmington Hills, Marc Keppleman and Alan Silver of West Bloomfield who won the second half

This one took a little longer as the rest of the league was bowling a "high-low" doubles in a No-Tap format. It meant that the championship pair had to keep the scores both ways, the regular format for the championship and on paper for the No-tap prize money

This one also was decided in the last frame of the last game and it was the ET's that hung on for the victory To add to the excitement Mark Silverstein of Farmington Hills rolled a 181 game in the opener, not all that good but just the right score to cash the mystery game He followed that one with a 300 and stayed glued to the pocket with 20 strikes in a row, mostly ten pin strikes

Sorry, Mark, no ring, no prizes from the American Bowling Congress or other recognition on for the 300 game and 20 in a row performance, it was only in no-tap, but you did have a real one in 1998 Charles Bykonnen also bowled a 300 game

Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland 1s where the Tuesday Jr Classic league meets with a house-full of good bowlers each week Now they have just finished their season with team 17 "D&S Service" comprised of Lance Howey, Ron Blanchard, Tom Pritchard, and Jim Jesson In the Mixed Doubles league, team 8 "vou and I" with Westlanders Cookie Struppa and



BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN (734) 453-1234 A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday, May 6 2004 at 7 00 PM in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S Main Street Plymouth MI, to consider the following items Z 04-10 1375 W Ann Arbor Tr Non Use Variance Requested Existing Garage Rear Yard Setback Variance Zoned R-1 Single Family Residential Applicant Patrick Tortora

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Jerry Adamus took their league championship title

Woodland Lanes in Livonia will be hosting two different charity fund-raisers on the same weekend as they will have the American Cancer Society on Friday, May 21 at 7 p m. (check m at 6 30 p m.) There is a bowling fee of \$20 per person which includes three games of No-tap bowling, shoe rental and pizza. There will also be mystery games, a 50-50 raffle and door prizes.

Mickey says "sign up early and bring a friend" On the following day, Saturday, May 22 there will be the Bowl-A-Rama to benefit the "Second Chance at Life" Walk-A-Thon (All proceeds go to the University of Michigan Transplant Center to further education on the importance of organ donation) Check-in time is 6 15 p m and the fee is \$20 per person, including pizza, 50-50 raffle, Lucky Strike and free prizes (sorry, no children) To reserve a lane with your team of four or more, call Carol Mancini at (734) 432-2625 by May 3

Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association He can be reached at (248) 477 1839 or Email tenpinalley@sbcglob al net

FISH BUDDIES FISHING CLUB The Fish Buddies Fishing Club meets the third Tuesday of each month in Rochester Meetings are open to all anglers boaters and non boaters Call Harold Leider at (248) 656 0556 for more informa tion

ACTIVITIES

DOWNRIVER BASS ASSOCIATION

The Downriver Bass Association a non tournament bass club meets at 6 30 p m the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Gander Mountain (14100 Pardee Road) in Taylor For more information call Ron Fodor at (734) 676 2863 or send an e mail to riverrat122@home.com

METRO-WEST STEELHEADERS Metro West Steelheaders meets at 7 30 p m on the first Tuesday of each month at the Livonia senior center located on the southeast corner of Farmington and Five Mile Call Henry Nabors at (248) 258 5502 for more information MICHIGAN FLY FISHING

The Michigan Fly Fishing Club meets at 7 30 p m the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Livonia Clarenceville Middle School located on Middlebelt Road between Seven and Eight Mile roads Visit www.mffc.org.on.the Internet for more information FOUR SEASONS

The Four Seasons Fishing Club meets 7 30 pm 9 30 pm the first

Wednesday of each month at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center 15218 Farmington Road Meetings are open to boaters and non boaters and the club is open to new members Visitors are wel come to the family club. For more information call Mark Boggs at (734) 464 6155 or e mail foursea sonsfishingclub@yahoo.com

- HURON VALLEY STEELHEADERS The Huron Valley Steelheaders meets the third Thursday of each* month at the Knights of Columbus Hall 27600 Hall Road Flat Rock Call Carroll White at (734) 285 0843 for more information
- **CLINTON RIVER BASS 'N RATS** The recently organized Clinton River Bass in Rats meets the first Monday of every month at 7 30 pm at the Gander Mountain Lodge Call (810) 247 9900 for direction and additional information. The club is an affiliated chapter of the "BASS National Federation

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IN THE SUPER	IOR COURT OF E ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE CO	UNTY OF MARICOPA
SHARON COLLINS,) No FC 2004 001527
Petitioner,))) PETITION FOR
vs) TEMPORARY AND
	 PERMANENT CUSTODY DETERMINATION PURSUANT TO A.R.S. 25
ANDREW RICHARD COLLINS AMBER MARIA SAVAGE,) PURSUANI IUAR.S. 20

That she is the paternal grandmother of Andrew Richard Collins Date of Birth September 19 1997 and Jasmin Marie Collins Date of Birth November 1 1999 That the legal/natural parents of the children are Amber Maria Savage and Andrew Richard Collins The parents were never married

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That the children have been in her care continuously since

(PC)

al Court Building, 201 W Jefferson, Phoenix, AZ 85003

Dated this 30th day of March, 2004

MARY C McDONALD Attorney for Grandmother

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SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA MARICOPA COUNTY

SHARON COLLINS Name of Petitioners/Plaintiff Name of Petitioners/Plaintiff <u>ANDREW RICHARD COLLINS</u> <u>AMBER MARIA SAVAGE</u> SUMMONS IF YOU WANT THE ADVICE OF <u>A LAWYER</u>, YOU MAY WISH TO CONTACT THE LAWYER AMBER MARIA SAVAGE Name of Respondent/Defendants

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FROM THE STATE OF ARIZONA TO Amber Maria Savage

- 1. A lawsuit has been filed against you. A copy of the lawsuit and other court papers are served on you with this "Summons"
- If you do not want a judgment or order taken against you without your input, you must file an "Answer" or a "Response" in writing with the court and pay the filing fee If you do not file an "Answer" or "Response" the other party may be given the relief requested in his/her Petition or Complaint To file your "Answer" or "Response" take, or send the "Answer" or "Response" to the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, 201 West Jefferson Street Phoenix, Arizona 85003 2205 or the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court 222 East Javelina Drive, Mesa, Arizona 85210 6201 Mail a copy of your "Response" or "Answer" to the other party at the address listed on the top of this Summons
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- You can get a copy of the court papers filed in this case from the 4. Petitioner at the address at the top of this paper, or from the Clerk of the Superior Court at the address listed in Paragraph 2 above
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SIGNED AND SEALED this date MICHAEL JEANES, CLERK OF COURT

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December, 1997 as to Andrew and since July, 2002 as to Jasmin Because of the length of time the children have lived with Petitioner/grandmother, she has formed a meaningful relationship with the children who treat her as a parent

Because of these facts the Petitioner stand "in loco parentis" to these children and, therefore is able to file this Petition pursuant to A R S 25 415

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That she should be awarded the temporary custody of the children until the Court hearing date for permanent custody

That it would be significantly detrimental to the children to be placed in the custody of either natural parent The children's mother Amber Maria Savage lives in Michigan and has not had any contact with either child for almost two (2) years

The father Andrew Richard Collins lives in Michigan and does not have the financial and housing capacity to take care of the children at this time Father Andrew Richard Collins agrees that his mother, Petitioner Sharon Collins, should be awarded the custody of these children both temporary and permanently

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That a Court of competent jurisdiction has not entered or approved an order concerning the custody of these children within one year before the Petitioner filed this Petition

VII

That it is in the children's best interest to remain with the Petitioner, both temporarily and permanently

VIII

That neither the mother or father has the ability to pay child support currently and Petitioner therefore requests no child support Order be entered at this time

WHEREFORE Petitioner respectfully requests that this Court enter the following orders after a full evidentiary hearing

1) Award custody of the children Andrew Richard Collins and Jasmin Marie Collins to the Petitioner, both temporarily and permanently,

2) Award parenting time to the mother and father in length and frequently that the court or the grandmother determines is in the best interest of the children

3) Order Petitioner to provide medical insurance for the benefit of the children

4) Order neither parent to pay child support because at the present time, neither parent is capable of paying

5) Enter such other orders as the Court deems appropriate

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 11th day of February 2004

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MARY C McDONALD Attorney for Petitioner

VERIFICATION

STATE OF ARIZONA

County of Maricopa

SHARON COLLINS, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and states that she is the Petitioner named in the foregoing cause of action that she has read the foregoing Petition for Custody Determination Pursuant to ARS 25415 and the facts stated therein are true and correct according to the best of her knowledge,

SHARON COLLINS Petitioner

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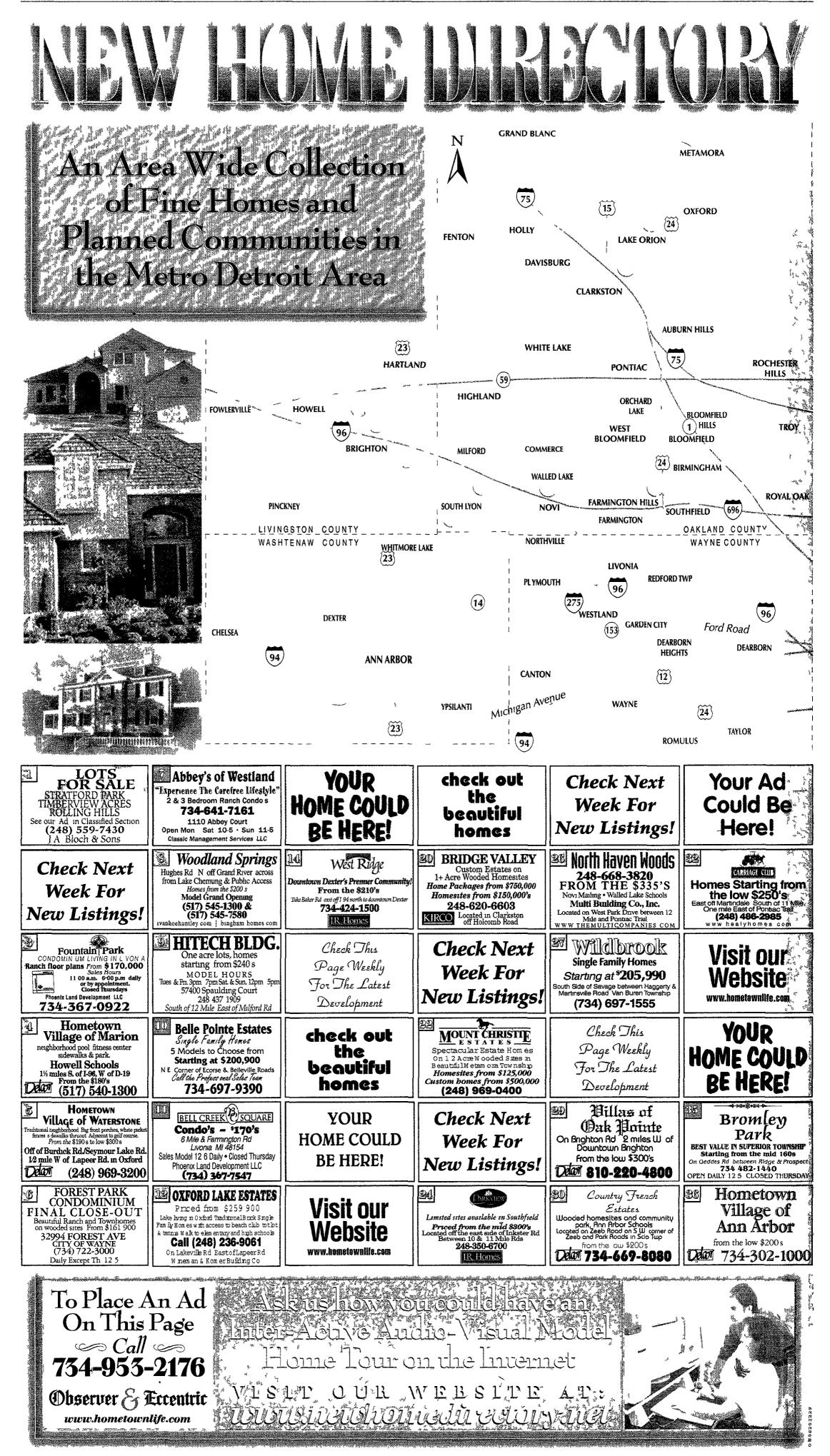
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Adoption needs firm approach

Dear Lisa My husband and I have been trying to have a child for approximately 10 years now. I am 33 and he is 35. We have gone through two attempts at in vitro fertilization and we have had nothing but problems. We have decided that it would be best if we adopted a baby. We have no clue how to start this process or what to do. Our only problem is that we are not rich. We are full of love and would love to have a family. We don't know how to get started trying to have a family through adoption. Laurie and David H.

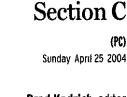
Dear Laurie and David As adoption is not my area of expertise, I did some research and spoke to several people who do specialize in this area to get answers to your questions I can share the information that was provided to me First, think carefully about the kind of child you want to adopt and the kind of child you feel you would best parent You need to consider things like age, race and ethnicity and sex You also need to decide if you want to be able to have contact with the birth parent(s) and if you want a child from the US or from another country Once you are clear about what you want, stay firm People tend to be very vulnerable because this is such an emotional issue, however, it is very important that you approach this as a process, which takes time and research You will need to stay true to yourselves and not accept the first adoption opportunity that comes along if it does not meet the criteria you have established necessary for your family I was told that it is a misconception that adoption has to be excessively costly There are several types of adoption and the cost varies The first thing to do is to make contact with as many adoption agencies as you can People vou know are often good sources of information and may have referrals The Family Independence Agency on the State of Michigan Web site is one good resource (wwwmigov) Contact agencies that are listed there or in the phone book, or online to seek out as much information you can about adoption Have a hst of questions to ask Listen and take notes If an agency tells you that what you are looking for 1s not possible, it is likely the wrong agency for you If vou initially feel it is a good fit, make an appointment to explore the process further There should be no cost involved in this initial meeting, therefore there is no financial investment as you are doing your research I was told that one way to find out the reputation and reliability of the agency you are considering working with, is by contacting the local court where the agency is located There are many good books available about the many facets of adoption You also may want to consult with a therapist who specializes in adoption as you move through the process, as there are so many psychological and emotional factors involved for you as the parents and for the child you will be adopting The most common, consistent information that I received as I researched this was to "Be a Good Consumer' Though it may feel overwhelming, always remember the result This will help sustain you and give you the patience required to do the necessary research and manage the inevitable waiting involved Lisa Kruman MSW ACSW is a clinical social worker at Davis Counseling Center in Farmington Hills She can be reached at NewParents@DavisCounseling com or (248) 553 8550

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Camps and classes liven up dog days

As a kid, Jon LaFevei dreaded long summer days until discovering Canton Leisure Services' playground program Now as youth development director, LaFever makes sure no kid is bored during the dog days of summer Hes lined up a list of fun activities, including those at 20 neighborhood playground sites

Canton Leisure Services offers camps and classes for every interest, from a youth baseball camp July 13-16 (ages 7-15), to multi-sport camps (ages 5-13), weekend Team Challenge Camp (ages 11-15) at the Indian Valley Campground in Middleville May 21 23, field trips for preschoolers and performing arts camps run by Ever After Productions July 19-23 and Aug 9-13, and Spotlight Players July 26 to Aug 6 A June 21 to July 2 camp gives students (grades seven-12) the opportunity to learn from professional artists Call (734) 394-5460 Eight-week Camp Canton programs run 8 30 a.m to 4 30 p m June 21 to Aug 13 (first to eighth grade) Highlights are field trips to a waterpark and Detroit Science Center Camp Able is a therapeutic camp for children and youths ages 8-15 with disabilities The field trips, games and arts and crafts are tailored for children with emotional and physical impairments and ADHD Costs range from \$24 to \$34 per day "I have memories of going to the parks and playing games," LaFever said "It was a supervised and safe environment and run so that children grow and learn All activities are planned by kids in our programs I'm excited about my camp for grades six through eight It really promotes independence and responsibılıty"

alive in summer settings Check with YMCAs and recreation departments for offerings in your community Several hke Farmington Hills Special Services schedule a variety of camps for football, gymnastics, lacrosse, inline hockey, skateboarding, dance, art and technology Call (248) 473-1800 Brainiacs (kindergarten to second grade) tackle topics such as dinosaurs, slimy science and creepy crawlers 9 a m to 3 p m June 14-18 Master Minds (third to fifth grade) invent and construct a robot and participate in experiments Weeklong camps (9 a m to 3 p m for ages 6-10)feature games, arts and crafts, swmming and field trips A children's tour program travels to a different museum or waterpark each day of the week

SCIENCE/NATURE

Bailey Recreation Center (Westland Parks & Recreation), 36651 Ford Road, Westland Call (734) 722-7620 Mad Science returns with camps (July 26-30) for preschool from 9 30 a m to 12 30 p m (\$75-\$78) and kindergarten to grade 5 from 9 30 a m to 4 p m (\$135-\$138) Children learn about everything from robots to space, weather and nature The Summer Park Program has been eliminated this year due to funding cuts, but classes in gymnastics (ages 2-5), tennis (age 7-11), bowling and the Rockers Soccer Camp (ages 4-14) July 12-16 are still available Westland Parks & Rec sponsors or assists several programs for Wayne County Parks, including pottery, babysitting classes, sports leagues, drama camps by Shoe String Theatre and cheerleading Call (734) 261-1990 Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 220 E Ann Call (734) 995-5439 Science Camp for kindergarten to eighth grade 9 a.m to noon or 1-4 p m Monday-Friday, June 23 to Aug 15, at Central Academy, 2495 S Industrial More than 50 courses range from Grossed Out to Ingenious Inventions All other camps

to 3 years, Adventures in Science for ag-, 4-5 Trio Grande Day Camp in collaboration with Ann Arbor Art Center and Wild Swan Theater July 7-11 or July 14-18 (K-fifth grade), students experience one topic from perspective of science, art and drama

St Joseph Mercy Health Exploration Station, 1600 S Canton Center, Canton Call (734) 398-7518 Is there a future doctor or nurse in your family? "Amazing Me," a weeklong camp (second to fourth grades) focuses on health and the human body, including bones, muscles and skin, heart and lungs, brain and nerves, and first aid and safety, 9 30 a m to 4 p m Monday-Friday, July 12-16, Aug 2-6 (\$169) and includes hands-on projects, dissections, field trips, interactive games, two nutritious snacks each day Plus there will be plenty of time for campers to explore the Health Exploration Station gallery Kids can see real germs grow, crawl through a giant intestinal tract, learn about body systems while playing a TV-style game show The St Joseph Mercy Health

three-acre park Camps (ages 8-14) run 9 a.m to noon Monday-Friday beginning week of June 21 Offerings include 30-foot rock wall for climbing, soccer, board games, martial arts, theater, horseback riding, model rocketry, golf, remote control cars, basketball, arts and crafts, science and a girls camp featuring yoga, pilates, hip-hop, aerobics, selfdefense, nutrition, careers, self-esteem building (\$55 to \$220) After-camp program (noon to 5 p m) is \$4 per hour per child Activities include watergames, sports, mini-golf, indoor activities

Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty, Livonia. Call Continuing Education Services at (734) 462-4448 or visit www.schoolcraft edu Swimming for



Exploration Station is Michigan's firs interactive health education center and one of only about 30 in the country

Detroit Zoo, 8450 W 10 Mile at Woodward, Royal Oak. Summer Safari Camps (ages 4-13) explore the wonders of the animal kingdom through tours, hands-on activities, games, arts and crafts Campers choose from a variety of single-day, week-long and overnight sessions This one-of-a-kind camp teaches respect for wildlife and conservation Costs range from \$30-\$35 for single day adventures to \$105-\$110 for a week Save \$5-\$10 by becoming a Detroit Zoological Society member Call (248) 541-5717

ATHLETIC/SPORTS

Camp Mırage, Oasıs Golf Center, 39500 Five Mile, Plymouth Call (734) 420-4655 or visit the Web site at www.campmirage.com Located on a

ages preschool and up, karate, golf and tennis

EDUCATIONAL

Kids on Campus at Schoolcraft College, Livonia Call (734) 462-4448 Looking for great classes designed just for children? Schoolcraft's Kids on Campus offers a large variety of educational programs (ages 5-15) beginning Saturday, July 12 Enrichment classes include computers, math, science, study skills, theater, video production and art TAG classes are designed specifically for

PLEASE SEE FUN, C3

Book tells about rebuilding her life, marriage

turned to sleet," she wrote He

when she asked who it was, he

answered "Jerry He was call-ing on business i "The sleet in my veins turned to ice," she

continued "For the first time in

Burton, now 61, had built his

almost 30 years of marriage, I knew my husband was lying"

cut off the conversation, and

BY JUDITH DONER BERNE CORRESPONDENT

As their dream house took shape above a scenic ravine in Franklin Village in 1997, journalist Suzy Farbman knew that her nearly 30-year marriage to metro Detroit real estate magnate Burton Farbman was crumbling

The thought that I might never live here was devastatıng," Suzy, 59, told me last Monday, as we toured the stunning yet cozy home they call "Acorn Hıll

I knew that — and much more — after reading an early copy of her first book, Back From Betrayal Saving a Marriage, a Family, a Life, due in local bookstores this week The book, with an "Afterward" in Burton's words, is a tell-all account of how extramantal affairs nearly destroyed the marriage of one of metro Detroit's high-profile couples As Suzy described it They

were driving along Northwestern Highway on their way to see how their new



Burt and Suzy Farbman, today a happy couple again, overcame their marriage crisis and hope that her book will help others, too

house was progressing when Burton's mobile phone rang When he answered, she could hear in the quiet car, the unmistakable sound of a woman trilling "Hummu"

'MY HUSBAND WAS LYING'

"The blood in my veins

company, The Farbman Group based in Southfield, into one of the state's largest full-service real estate firms After raising their two sons, Suzy stepped up her writing about fashion, design and the arts for various publications They belonged to a country club, traveled widely, chaired events to benefit major Detroit institutions, attended fancy parties, owned vacation property in northern Michigan

As she wrote in one of the early chapters "We were heither perfect nor imperfect together, although there were years when some friends called us the perfect couple, when I did what I could to foster that image, when I almost believed ıt myself"

In his early 50s, Burton decided he wanted to work less and enjoy life more His dad had died young and he wasn't interested in making more money He had sons David and, later, Andrew take over the business he had built while he played golf, rode horses and enjoyed time away at their Charlevoix farm Meanwhile,

Suzy's career had taken a leap forward She became regional editor for Better Homes and Gardens with stories to research and deadlines to meet She was tasting her own success and she didn't want to just "play"

As she determined to fight for her marriage, she sought an understanding of how it had begun to disintegrate

'Maybe the trouble began when my mother's foot surgery failed, and I spent so much time trying to help," Suzy began the chapter titled "Falling Apart " "Maybe it was when Burton lost interest in making love Maybe it was when he no longer wanted to play golf with me When he stopped holding my hand at the movies When he didn't call me 'Gorgeous' anymore

"Nights when I returned from visiting my mother I held my breath as I pulled into our driveway More often than not his car was missing I tried

PLEASE SEE BOOK, C2

Grief aid given

New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Christian-based bereavement outreach center, offers grief support for widows and widowers with children on the second and fourth Tuesday night of each month The groups for widows and widowers of all ages are offered in Wayne, Oakland, Livingston and Macomb counties Groups will be provided for parents who have lost a child, parental loss, widows and widowers, suicide loss, and other losses due to death Call (248) 348-0115

BOOK

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to reach him on his mobile phone I began to feel like an old abandoned putter, tossed in a corner of the basement, replaced by a newer model"

BURTON WRITES

In the chapter "Burton's Words," he said "I could say it was my wife's fault because she wasn't spending enough time with me But that's bull---- It was my fault I did it because I was weak and felt rejected I was looking to build up my ego'

At Onsite, a couples therapy program in Tennessee, he began the process of confessing to three affairs "I'm ready to tell you what's going on if you're ready to hear it," he said "I warn you — up to now you haven't been "

The phone call turned out to be from "Jody Sommers" (not her real name), "a beautiful woman whom we had both known casually for several years" She had moved out to South Lyon, where horses abound, and Burton was spending a lot of time in the saddle "I hed about my relationship with Jody," Burton told her "We have been sexually involved although that never

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Lam-Fountain

Melissa Judith Lam and Ian Fountain were married April 25, 2004, at the Martha-Mary Chapel at Greenfield Village, with the Rev Tom Burdette officiating

The bride is the daughter of David and Judy Lam of Royal Oak. She earned a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and is employed with the Sitel Corp ın Detroit

The groom is the son of Harry and Claudette Fountain of Plymouth He earned a bachelor's degree in computer

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science from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and is employed by Creative Solutions ın Dexter

The bride was attended by Christina Lam, Vicki Low, Mary Bradford, Sarah Klein and Trisha Boledovich

The groom was attended by Nathan Fountain, Ben Good, Randy Lam, Rob Mohr and Peter Vachor

After a reception at St John's Golf & Conference Center in Plymouth Township and a honeymoon to Little Dix Bay, Virgin Gourda, British Virgin Islands, the couple will reside in Plymouth Township

ten this past November, she

wrote "When Burton strayed,

I used to think if I could only

looks weren't the issue Neither

look pretty enough, he'd be

was sexy lungerie The issue

As she contemplates the

signings and an early May

appearance on Oprah, she

book's release, local bookstore

acknowledged that some will

call her courageous for telling

'My life was really very con-

their story, while others will

ventional, very concerned

was foundering, it so com-

pletely ripped me apart that I

dıdn't have any more defenses

"I think in the back of my

mind that it can have some

was companionship"

feel shes insane

mine again Now I realize



sort of lasting value," she said And she also hopes "it's a good read'

Burton, too, looks forward to publication of the book, the Oprah taping and beyond He contemplates doing some lecturing and opening their Charlevoix farm to couples therapy sessions, led by a professional and to which they could add their experience For their son, David, co-

president with Andrew of The Farbman Group, what his parents have achieved, as chromcled in his mom's book, "probably makes me more proud of my mother, father and family than anything"

FAMILY REACTS

Those who may treat it as gossip, he said, "is a non-issue" for him 'If this story which is so true can help others grasp the situation they're in and receive clarity, then it's the greatest gift anyone can receive"

Amy Farbman, who is married to Andrew and is expecting their baby in July, first met her m-laws when they were healing She said she read the book in one sitting "I was worried I was going to have negative feelings about Burt,' she said "But if you give it a chance and read the whole thing, anyone would only have admiration for this couple

They took the hard road I know how strong the family is now I'm a true beneficiary of

their courage" In the book, Burton credits Star Struck



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(April 25 April 28) By Dennis Fairchild

ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Old buds relatives or family matters will take up a lot of your time so don t plan too much on the work front because you II get angry and frustrated when you find that your options are limited if you deal with domestic issues now they won't distract you later

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Ignore the fights and feuds that are taking place around you and focus on things that mean something to you Now that the Sun has re entered your sign you must block out all distractions and begin taking steps to de clutter your fair weather friends and dumb day to day doldrums

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

A month from now the Sun will move into your birth sign and a whole new solar year will begin but it's what you do between now and then that will determine how successful that year is going to be. Your aim this week should be to empty the anxiety closet

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

If you can imagine it you can do it The metaphysical message of the stars as the week begins is that nothing is impossible. If you want something you can find a way to make it your own What you dream of today will be your reality tomorrow- so dream You're on top of the world this week!

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

Time for objective second opinions kild The higher your expectations of those important in your life the greater their feelings of obligationand the less prepared they will be to compromise or cooperate A real istic view of the relationship will take you further than any amount of wishful thinking

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

You have been a bit too reticent recently a bit too eager to stay out of the limelight However the Sun's entry in your element now signals the start of a more adventurous phase one in which you want to be noticed Just make sure it s for the right reasons (I know yours will be)

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

It s great that the weather is nice again. But something is missing in your life whether it's material spiritual or intellectual you will feel much better once it is found First however dispense with the distrac tions While some things can be pushed to the limit remember that you cannot

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

You re cool kiddo- don't forget it! But you might be inclined to buy into intimidation if you don't stay alert. Don't waste your breath and time arguing about who said or did what The coming eclipse says that there is no point in going over any more old ground or trying to ascer tain who messed up with the kid and bath water thing

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

Others may try to take advantage of your generosity and as much as you would like to help them you must consider your needs as well That is not to say you should turn them down-just make sure you don t endanger your own security

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CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

Believe it or not changes are good for you now so put your doubts on hold and be ready to move forward at a moment s notice. You can go a long way this week toward dispelling the myth that Capricorn the Seagoat is unadventurous but don't take risks for the sake of it

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

Taking your responsibilities seriously does not mean sacrificing an opportunity that could change your life for the better Mercury going direct in a few days might cause ripples but it doesn't have to be a tidal wave WaterBearer Stick up for your personal ideals

ness with That lasted a few months No emotional involvement' And 15 years ago, he acknowledged, he had been

was a big part of our relation-

ship'

involved with "Sally Preston," (not her real name) "a curvy young lawyer" whom Burton "dismissed from our account when so-called rumors about their affair spread around the office '

Although she told him to go on, she didn't mean it "I thought I had come here to learn the truth Now I realized I didn't want the truth at all All I wanted was a simple fix to put my marriage back on track like a little toy train, to count on my husband again '

To their credit, they didn't settle for a simple fix - or for divorce For more than a year, they pursued a variety of individual and couples therapies She made a return visit to Onsite and also spent time at the Deepak Chopra Institute Burton went to The Meadows, an Arizona facility for behavioral disorders, where he learned to cope with attention deficit disorder that he never knew he had Reading aloud together, they studied A Course in Miracles and accepted a Higher Power

REBUILDING

Before that, he confessed, "there was a woman I did busi-As they took the painstaking steps to rebuild trust and create an honest relationship, Suzy, ever the journalist, decided it was a story worth telling She had looked for such a book during her months of despair And although there were selfhelp books on surviving infi-

delity, she found none that chronicled the daily ups and downs she was experiencing The book took five years to complete In an epilogue, writ-

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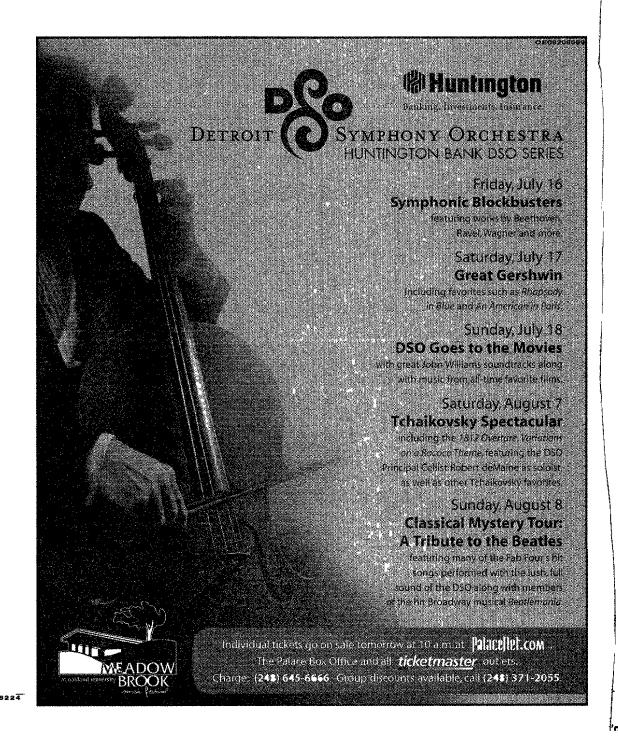
Suzy with the strength to rise above how much I'd hurt her and the wisdom to know "we had something worth saving, something to build on"

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Dennis Fairchild is a Birmingham based astrologer and author of several books on divination Call 1 (248) 646 3555 or e mail DenFairchild@aol.com



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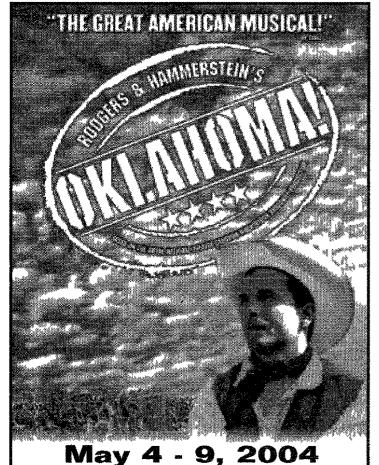
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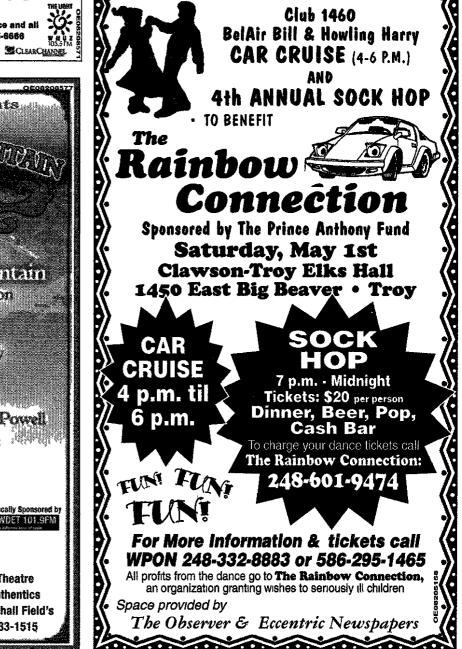
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Northville flower sale

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The 17th annual Flower Sale comes to downtown Northville May 28 29 The sale takes place from 9 a m to 6 p m May 28 and from 9 a m to 5 p m May 29 with more than 15 green houses all members of the Metropolitan Detroit Flower Growers Association taking part Main Street between Hutton and Center will be closed to cars. For more informa tion call (248) 348 0488

Grant-writing seminar

The National Education Foundation National Grant Writers Association American Cancer Society American Red Cross Salvation Army and more than 30 other public and private nonprofit agencies sponsor a grant writing seminar for the general public from 8 30 a m to 4 p m May 10 13 at the Sheraton Novi 21111 Haggerty Cost is \$659 and includes refreshments lunch a 300 page curriculum and a certifi cate For more information call (803) 750 9759

Eastern Winds concert

The Eastern Winds faculty wind quintet at Eastern Michigan University introduces a new work by EMU resident composer Anthony lannaccone entitled Woodwind Quintet No 2 Scenes After Hart Crane as part of an all lannaccone pro gram of chamber music at 2 p m Sunday May 9 in Ann Arbor's Kerrytown Concert House Admission is \$10 for adults \$5 for students with premium seating available at \$25 or \$15 For reservations or more information call (734) 769 2999

Annual Marian concert

St Thomas the Apostle Church in Ann Arbor offers the Annual Marian Concert at 4 p m Saturday May 8 at IHM Motherhouse 610 W Elm in Monroe and at 4 p m Sunday May 8 at the church 517 Elizabeth in Ann Arbor The concert offers beautiful music for voice organ and violin in honor of the Blessed Mother A free will offering will be taken For more information call (734) 761 8606 Ext 220

Menopause lecture

The Mia Mahalo Workshop Series continues with Taking Charge of Menopause a lecture that discusses what hap pens to the body during menopause presented by nutrition and wellness educator Erik Muzzy owner of Peak Performance Nutrition at 7 pm Thursday May 13 Admission is complimentary Mia Mahalo is located at 407 S Washington in Royal Oak For more information call (248) 546 1900

Bowtech lecture

Mia Mahalo presents Bowtech The Original Bowen Technique lecture from 7 8 30 p m Thursday May 20 The lecture discusses Bowtech the holistic technique originated by Tom Bowen that implements a series of gentle move ments to allow the body to heal and reset itself Presented by Reggie Townsend a Bowtech practitioner at Functional Fitness and Inspired Wellness Holistic Wellness Center in Birmingham Admission is complimentary Mia Mahalo is located at 407 S Washington in Royal Oak For more infor mation call (248) 546 1900

Meningitis vaccinations

Meningitis vaccinations are being offered through Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan (VNA) by appoint ment only during April May and June 2004 for graduating high school students beginning college in the fall Appointments are available 8 a m 2 p m Monday thru Friday Cost is \$85 Call (800) 882 5720 Ext 8755 for more information or visit www.vna.org

Movie marathon

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Ceramics workshop

The Ann Arbor Art Center and the Michigan Ceramic Art Association will be co-hosting a weekend ceramics work shop presented by renowned ceramic artist Malcolm Davis Davis will demonstrate various construction and glazing techniques including his famous carbon trap shinos. The artist will host a slide show along with a potluck dinner from 6 8 pm May 14 at The Ann Arbor Art Center s 117 W Liberty Street location On May 15 and 16 from 10 a m to 4p m he will demonstrate various ceramic techniques. Davis works exclusively in porcelain and says of his work. For more infor mation or to register e mail Jim Spevak at ispevak842@aol com or call (734) 677 0206 For information

on the Art Center visit www.annarborartcenter.org.or.call (734) 994 8004 Ext 101

Motherloss workshop

Arbor Hospice and Home Care presents the Memory in the Mirror Daughters Reflecting on Motherloss workshop in Ann Arbor and Northville The workshop offered for any woman who has lost her mother takes place at 2 p m Sunday May 2 at the Arbor Hospice Residence Church 2366 Oak Valley Drive in Ann Arbor and at 7 pm Wednesday May 5 at Our Lady of Victory 770 Thayer Blvd in Northville All workshops are provided at no charge and open to the com munity For more information call (734) 662 5999 Ext 107 Fibromyalgia Workshop

A local authority appears at the Carl Sandburg Library for a free workshop at 6 30 p m Wednesday May 26 that talks about what can be causing Fibromyalgia. To register for the free workshop call (248) 426 0201

Ski travel show

The Metro Detroit Ski Council hosts the 2004 05 Ski Travel Show from 1 4 30 p m Sunday May 16 followed by a spring ski dance with live entertainment from 4 30 7 30 p m Admission is free, the public is invited

Golden anniversary

The River Park Chapter of International Association of Administrative Professionals (formerly PSI) will be celebrat ing their 50th anniversary June 17 The group is looking for past/present members and guests to join in a celebration at the Holiday Inn Heritage Center on Northline in Southgate The event starts at 615 p.m. cost is \$20 for dinner For addi tional information please contact Karol Polaczyk at kpo laczyk@hayes lemmerz com or by calling (734) 737 5283 or Angela Devoy at adevoy@sme org or by phone at (313) 425

Junior gardeners

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Hospice training

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Zoo, Humane Society team up

If you re planning to add a pet to your family, don t miss the opportunity to "Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo' brought to you by the Michigan Humane Society and the Detroit Zoo, along with presenting sponsor VCA Animal Hospitals

The 12th annual event will take place on Saturday and Sunday, May 1 and 2, from 10 a m to 5 p m at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak

Last year, the spring event placed a record of 881 homeless animals Since the event inception in

1993, 'Meet Your Best Friend at the Zoo" has placed more than 8,600 pets 'The Michigan Humane

Society is deeply gratified that our collaborative efforts with the Detroit Zoo and our sponsors including VCA Animal Hospitals are saving so many animal lives each year," said Cal Morgan, executive director of the Michigan Humane Society

Hundreds of adoptable dogs, cats and rabbits will be available for immediate adoption from the Michigan Humane Society and 26 additional organizations from metro Detroit and beyond Animal Shelter of Crawford

County, Animal Welfare Society, Companion Pet Rescue, Dearborn Animal Shelter, Detroit Animal Control, Feline Friends,



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The event is held outdoors under tents in the Detroit Zoo front parking lot at 10 Mile

Road and Woodward Avenue Adoption fees and policies are set by each participating group Adopters must present a drivers license or state ID card All dogs and cats will have received a medical checkup and age-appropriate vaccinations Please leave current pets at home

For more information, call the Humane Society at (866) MHUMANE, 8 a m to 5 p m weekdays or visit www michiganhumane org

The event is sponsored by VCA Animal Hospitals, The Cat Practice, Lite Rock 93 9 FM, Mirror Newspapers and Observer & Eccentric Newspapers



Theatre in Novi hosts the Hollywood Nights 24 hour movie marathon starting at 10 a m Friday April 30 Participants must raise a minimum of \$9470 in pledges and bring it to the theater the morning of April 30 then watch as many movies as they want for 24 hours Proceeds benefit Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan Registration forms are available on line at leukemiamichigan org or by calling CLF at (800) 825 2536

Foster Care

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PATRICIA J. GREENE

Of Farmington Hills, age 67 Beloved wife of the late Marshall Greene Loving partner for over 20 years of George Ross Dear mother of Julie Greene and her husband Bill Guynup Grandmother of Taylor Guynup Sister of Larry (Lynn) Nunn Also survived by the Ross family Michelle and Jeff Funeral services Tuesday April 20th from McCabe Funeral Home, 31950 W 12 Mile Rd Farmington Hills In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the International Myeloma Foundation For information please visit www lifestorynet com

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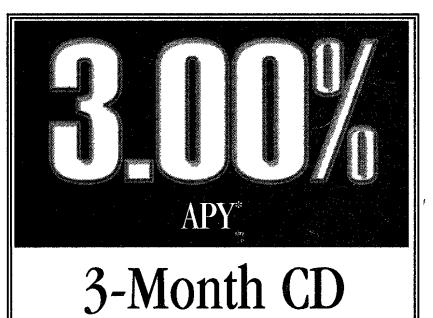
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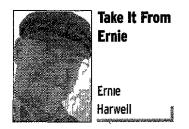
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They need to wear helmets.

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Ernie Harwell the voice of the Detroit Tigers for more than four decades retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone Today at age 86 Ernies days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan public appear ances writing traveling and taking long walks with Miss Lulu his wife of more than 60 years His latest

book a collection of his basebal columns titled Life After Baseball is available at local bookstores or by calling (800) 245 5082



Motivation key to success with exercise

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY CORRESPONDENT

Suzanne Reinhart of Birmingham said it's because of a friend Wendy Ayres of Livonia said it's due, in part, to a trainer And Greg Shuraleff of Beverly Hills said it all has to do with variety The 'it" is motivation, which is what all three have when it comes to exercise All work out a minimum of five days a week, week in and week out

Reinhart, 48 and a wife and mother of three, has worked out with her friend, Val Andrews, also of Birmingham, for the past three years

Having an exercise buddy provides the incentive we need to get to the health club We feel a responsibility to each other," she said And, because we don't want to disappoint ourselves or each other, we both show up each morning after we get the kids off to school

Ayres, 29, a single career woman, turned to a trainer for motivation and for a fitness plan Two days a week she works with a trainer for weight and circuit (a set program) training Four other days she goes solo and does cardio exercises, such as walking/running on the treadmill or the elliptical machine

'I take Sundays off to give my body a rest,' she said

Sundays are also a day off for Shuraleff, 23, a recent University of Michigan graduate He first got motivated to participate in regular exercise when he was in Rome to study his sen-10r year in college

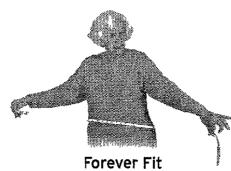
'My roommate, who believed in the importance of regular exercise for fitness, got me into running," he said Now, in addition to running, he has discovered a multitude of other exercises "I continually add new exercises to my one- to one-and-a-half-hour routine so I don't get into a rut, he said This variety keeps me motivated"

Trying new exercises and classes have also kept Reinhart on track Spinning classes three days a week have been the foundation of her workouts since the beginning of the year Riding a special stationary bike and following programs that simulate outdoor conditions provides Reinhart with an intense calorie-burning exercise

Participating in classes makes me work harder without slacking off," she



Wendy Ayres works with personal trainer Shaz Sheikh



she was diagnosed with Crohn's, a gastro-intestinal disease I wanted to con trol this condition without medication she said Her doctor recommended exercise and a healthy diet This twopart fitness approach has not only kept her disease in remission, but it has

exercise and a healthy diet ('I haven't had fast food in two years") have provided numerous benefits The former high school athlete, who once only exercised during sports seasons, has been able to add 20 pound — mainly muscle — to his slight frame

'I could never gain weight in the past," he said "Now with regular exercise and five small meals a day, I've been able to accomplish this goal

For Shuraleff, it was weight gain and fitness that were important to him For Reinhart and Ayres, it was weight loss, which both have achieved through exercise and diet

"Losing weight and feeling good have added to my self-confidence," Ayres said "And this has been the best motivator for continuing this healthy

'I like having the ability to do things with my kids, and I want to continue to be active in family activities, such as sking, when they get older,' she said "This, in itself, keeps me motivated"

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Hugh Gallagher editor

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said "Classes make me want to keep up with the other participants This is a great motivator"

Ayres' motivation to become involved in regular exercise came in 1998, when

enabled her to feel and look better 'It has also helped me perform better in golf and scuba diving, two of my favorite activities

Shuraleff has also found that regular

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Care Choices, the City of Livonia Parks and Recreation Department and the

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For Reinhart, it's doing good things for herself and developing a stronger body that also keeps her on her fiveday-a-week exercise schedule

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Natural Hormone Replacement A lecture by Dr Pamela W Smith of

the Center for Healthy Living and University Compounding Pharmacy 7 pm Wednesday April 28 at the MSU Management Education Center 811 W Square Lake Troy No charge Discussion includes hormone replace ment therapy alternative treatments osteoporosis nutrition and other top ics related to menopause Smith is a nationally known specialist on natural hormone replacement and author of HRT The Answers To reserve a seat or for more information call (248) 267 5002

Volunteers needed

The Alzheimer's Association is seek ing individuals who are interested in providing information and support to callers dealing with issues about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias Alzheimers is a progres sive brain disorder that gradually destroys mental capabilities There are an estimated 45 million Americans affected by the disease more than 75 000 in metro Detroit Help for individuals affected by Alzheimer's can be found at the asso ciation s helpline and through other services provided by the offices in Southfield To volunteer call Rebecca Reiten at (800) 337 3827 Ext 240

Patient care lecture

Claude Lenfant M D former director of the National Heart Lung and Blood Institute of the National Institutes of Health gives a lecture noon to 1 p m Wednesday April 28 in the Education Center at St Joseph Mercy Hospital 530I East Huron River Drive Superior Township The lecture is free open to the public and no registration is need ed For more information call (734) 712 2442

Research funded by the National institutes of Health (NIH) which is supported by public funds has led to the development of new and improved medical treatments for many diseases While there is no doubt that research findings have helped to extend life expectancy Dr Lenfant is concerned that the public is not reaping the full public health benefits of the investment in research

Medicare community forum

Saint Joseph Mercy Senior Health Services Catholic Social Services and the Area Agency on Aging sponsor a free community forum 1.3 p m Wednesday April 28 at the Senior Health Building on the campus of St Joseph Mercy Hospital 5301 East Huron River Drive Superior Township

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

The forum will address the changes to Medicare regarding prescription drug coverage which is effective May 1 Barb Zaret MSW from Catholic Social Services MMAP Program and Luann Bakk MSW from the Area Agency on Aging will explain the new coverage and answer questions from attendees Registration is not required For more information call (734) 712 2989 Ask the Doctor About Lymphoma

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Livonia CFS/Fibromyalgia Support Group

Deadline registration for May 12 meet ing is April 28 The group meets at the Livonia Civic Center's auditorium Guest speakers are from the University of Michigan's Chronic Pain & Fatigue Research Center For infor mation or a registration form for May 12 call (248) 346 3164 or visit the Web site at

www.geocities.com/LivoniaCFSFMS GolFitness Training

5 8 p m Thursday April 29 at Henry Ford Medical Center - West Bioomfield s Center for Athletic Medicine 6777 W Maple between Haggerty and Drake Participants will have their golf swing analyzed by PGA professionals Nancy McCann or Don Harrison Henry Ford certified athletic trainers will provide one on one exer cise instruction to improve flexibility and strength of core muscles includ ing hips shoulders mid back and abdomen Common golf injuries their causes and prevention will be dis cussed along with equipment modifi cations aimed at preventing injury Cost for the three hour session is \$100 To register call (248) 651 6484 **Prenatal Yoga**

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While early symptoms are easily mis taken for the flu bacterial meningitis can result in death in as little as two hours College freshmen living in dorms are six times more likely to get the disease than those living off cam pus Vaccination reduces the risks of contracting the disease

Economic Issues in Health Care The workshop will cover the present health care system in the U S with reference to a market based system in order to obtain understanding of how it might be organized to provide the desired results for society 6 10 p m Tuesday May 4 to Thursday June 10 at Madonna University 36600 Schoolcraft at Levan Livonia An overview of several major economic constraints for health care will be covered For more information call (734) 432 5356 or (734) 432 5731 Hospice volunteers needed

Heartland Hospice of Southfield is looking for caring compassionate and dedicated individuals that would like to be trained as a hospice volunteer Heartland Hospice serves patients with a limited life expectancy and their families in the tri county area Training classes are offered through out the year at different times and in a variety of locations. For more infor mation call Mary Parmentier at (800) 770, 9859

UPCOMING

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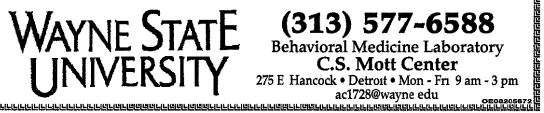
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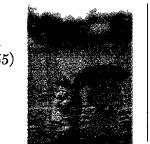
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CLASSIFIED Master suite sells couples on Northville Ridge

BY NORMAN PRADY CORRESPONDENT

Ever wish you could get away from the kids once in a while? How about every night?

Well, not so far away that you'd feel you're abandoning them, just far enough that you've finished your day with them and now you're going to have some time for yourself And for youknow-who

\If that's your thinking as part of your search for a new home, you might want to look at the Mezzanine Master Suite in some of the houses David Steuer is building in Northville

Steuer's houses are in two sections of Northville Ridge, an 850-home community at Six Mile Road west of Ridge Road in Northville He's building in The Meadows and in The Reserves His company is Winnick Homes & Steuer & Canvasser

There are four models in The Meadows and five in The Reserves In The Meadows it's the Hawthorne and in The Reserves it's the Mulberry that have Mezzanine Master Suites

'It's not only dramatic, but exceptionally practical," Steuer said of the unusual bedroom arrangement

He recalled the reaction of a young couple visiting the model "They said,

'Empty-nesters, and families with older kids have also been drawn to the midlevel suite."

David Steuer building in Northville

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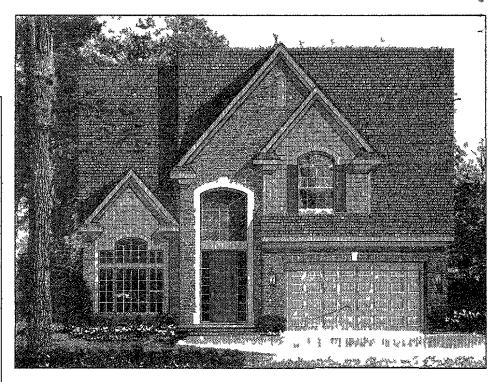
"They felt they'd have the best of both worlds" Close and not close Emptynesters, and families with older kids have also been drawn to the midlevel suite

They want a first-floor master suite for privacy from the kids and they see this and say, 'This is only a few steps up from the first floor and we re not sharing a party wall with the family room,' said Steuer

Pleased with the lifestyle features offered in all of their Northville Ridge homes, Steuer said, "We're not just in the lumber and drywall assembly business We're in the quality-of-life business If we can t offer someone a better living situation, then they can go buy anybody's brick and mortar

Four other builders have homes in Northville Ridge, Steuer said

The Mezzanine Master Suite is one of the features of the Hawthorne, one of four models in the Meadows section of Northville Ridge



The Ridgewood is one of the model homes in the Reserves section of Northville Ridge. The site is served by the Northville school district with a number of amenities offered

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The Reserves has five models ranging from 1,645 square feet at \$309,990 to 2,971 square feet at \$362,290 for the Ridgewood, including plan variations offering five bedrooms

Northville Ridge is a site condominium with an association fee expected to be about \$350 annually the builder said, for maintenance of

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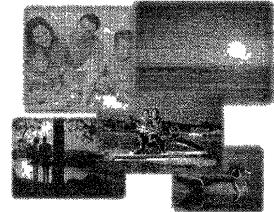
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Private communities are undermined by cash shortages

BY JIM WASSERMAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

Welcome to our neighborhood,' says the sign in the development once known as Franklın Vılla ın California. 'No gangs No drugs No guns'

What started 35 years ago as a pleasant community run by a private homeowners association has become an object lesson in the worst that can happen when such a neighborhood starts to unravel

Its original owners moved out, new owners failed to maintain the property, neglect accelerated into falling property values, then crime and eventual collapse Now, state and local taxpayers are paying \$80 million to turn it into a nonprofit housing complex called Phoenix Park

While extreme, it could be the fate of thousands of privately run communities throughout the nation, which are flirting with declines by failing to spend adequately on upkeep, even as owning a home in private communities has become the nation's fastest-growing lifestyle

Amid more than 260,000 private communities nationally and 36,000 in California, at least one third have steadily put off raising necessary assessments for fear of political conflict, and now need repairs and facelifts for which they significantly lack money, say those who monitor homeowner association finances

"If you give me a list of 30 names, 10 are on the list," said Robert M Nordlund, owner of California's Association Reserves Inc, which analyzes private communities in 41 states, Canada and Mexico For those 10, he said, 'the deficit is so sigmficant they ll need one or more special assessments to make it up'

FLORIDA

In Tampa, Fla , Len Colodny, president of the Lake Place Condominium Association, faces the challenge of asking the residents of his neighborhood to pay a one-time special assessment of up to \$4,000 per home to pave streets, rebuild a wall and make other repairs caused by years of deferred maintenance

Colodny said he expects significant opposition from fellow residents of his 18-year-old, 90-home complex, but adds, "If you can t afford to take care of the place, you can t afford to live here

One half to three fourths the state's older private communities have reserve funds too small to meet their physical needs, Colodny estimates, saying that newer developments "can get away with lower maintenance But if they haven t been saving up they're going to run into that cycle, too'

The trend, particularly in older privately run neighborhoods represents a striking parallel to the financial deficits plaguing local and state governments As the public sector has delayed maintenance, many private association boards are also watching streets, pools, balcomes, siding and clubhouses slowly deteriorate while their reserve funds contain half or less of the money needed to eventually fix them And just as city halls and statehouses fear raising taxes, voluntary, ofteninexperienced association boards fear the wrath of homeowners over possible higher assessments" said Tyler Berding, a California attorney who specializes in private communities

Many states lack reserve fund requirements for privately run communities, while those with laws typically set few requirements

RESERVE FUNDING

In Florida, which with California contains 40 percent of the nation's condominium communities. association boards must calculate appropriate reserve funding But a majority vote among members can block the assessments needed to reach it

There, Nordlund said, older residents of such neighborhoods tend to think, "Why do I care about the roof in five years?"

But underfunded reserves could threaten the 40-year-old culture of hving in a privately run neighborhood, which is where 80 percent of all new homes are built nationally, according to the Community Associations Institute of Alexandria, Va The group, which advises associationgoverned communities, estimates that 50 million Americans - nearly one in six - live inside such communities with half paying between \$100 to \$200 a month to maintain them

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The klosk, which is manned by a Robert R. Jones staff member, gives potential homebuyers an opportunity to learn more about The Manors of Deerwood a few miles away in Clarkston

"Our idea is to bring our product to the people and we believe that the people are at the mall," said Bob Jones, president of Robert R. Jones Homes "With its close proximity to our latest community, Great Lakes Crossing was a logical choice'

Opening day brought many consumers to the kiosk and a large number showed considerable interest in the new home presentation Typically, builders host visitors in their own developments, but this marketing approach allows Robert R. Jones Homes to showcase their designs to the residents of many surrounding communities through Great Lakes Crossing

Founded in 1979 by Jones, the company has earned many local and national accolades, including being named the Best Small Builder in the United States by Builder Magazine as well as Builder of The Year and the Hall of Fame Award by the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan Jones has served at all levels of the home building industry He is a local, state and national director In addition, he has been president of the BIA of Southeastern Michigan, the Michigan Association of Home Builders



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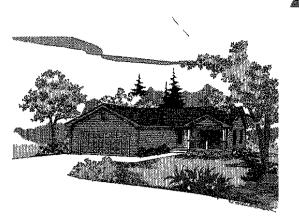
At only 39 feet wide and 61 feet deep, the Eddy 1 has great eye appeal with its covered porch, gabled porch roof and contemporary lines

The front door opens into the long open living room There is a large window overlooking the front yard and two windows down the right side On the right corner is an opening to the dining room with sliding glass doors to the patio

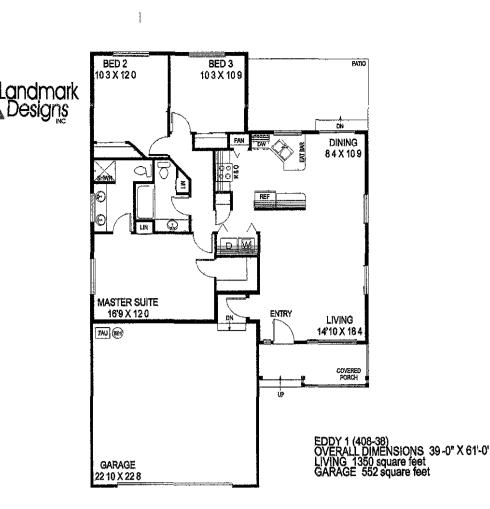
The spacious kitchen has a dividing wall with counter space and the refrigerator An angular area with dual sinks, eating bar, and dishwasher is on the back wall A corner pantry is tucked in the corner behind a bi fold door The range and oven is on the left wall as is another storage area Adjacent to this area is the washer and dryer hidden by another set of bi-fold doors

There are two bedrooms in the rear of this long home, each with wall closets and big windows overlooking the backyard A full bath with a single sink, tub, and linen closet is in the hall just outside the bedrooms

The master suite is behind the two-car garage It has a large window on the side and one over dual sinks in the master bath, which has a large shower A linen closet is adjacent to the master bath and large walk-in closet is on the right side of the main suite



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One popular addition is the master bedroom suite Once the bedroom suite is complete, a homeowner can easily convert the old bedroom into an office, media room or spare bedroom - whatever fits his or her lifestyle In many cases, remodelers are adding these rooms to the upper levels of homes This technique helps conserve land and space

remodelers to finish their basements By finishing the base ment, these customers benefit from increased living space, without altering their home's exterior appearance

KITCHEN AND BATH

Many remodeling contractors specialize in the kitchen and bath areas of the home These two areas consistently garner the most return on investment in *Remodeling* magazines Cost vs Value" report because they are two of the most used rooms in a home

In their kitchens, customers frequently request naturalwood cabinetry and more counter space Solid surface countertops such as DuPont, Corian and granite are common choices The stainless steel, industrial look is also popular in today's remodeled kitchens In addition, many

homeowners want bigger bath rooms with whirlpool tubs and spacious showers, incorporat ing an array of today's tile and stone products

Remodelers are often asked to remove walls in order to open up areas in a home For example, in keeping with a trend in new home construc tion, dividing walls between kitchens and great rooms are often removed, creating an open, airy feeling and increas ing functionality Using light paint colors and adding win dows are two other popular ways to create a feeling of spaciousness

A sizeable number of customers are requesting that their wall to-wall carpet be replaced with alternative flooring materials These materials include tile, stone and hardwoods (both pre-finished and regular) Laminated flooring, such as Pergo, is also a popular choice with today's consumers

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reduce pollution related to energy production, thereby saving precious resources

Before you remodel, you should carefully consider any remodeling project that puts the end value of your home well beyond that of others in your neighborhood It is not financially smart to have the most expensive home on the block Generally, a remodeling project requires careful consideration if it raises the value of your house more than 10-15 percent above the median sales price of homes in your neighborhood

Another important consideration before remodeling is choosing the right contractor Members of the Remodelors Council of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan are professional, legitimate, quality-conscious remodeling contractors You can access this information by calling the BIA at (248) 737 4477

While there are many reasons that people choose to remodel, including increasing resale value, the bottom line is that remodeling makes your home a more enjoyable place to live So if you re considering a change, but want to stay put, try remodeling Working with a professional remodeling contractor, almost any change that vou can envision can become a reality You can feel like you have a brand-new house, without having to say good-bye to friends and all the conveniences of your old neighborhood

John F Maloney is owner of Boa Construction Inc in Troy He is a cer tified graduate remodeler who has been renovating residential homes for the past 14 years. He is also chair of the Remodelors Council of the Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan in Farmington Hills and was named by the associa tion as Remodelor of the Year for 2002 and for 2003

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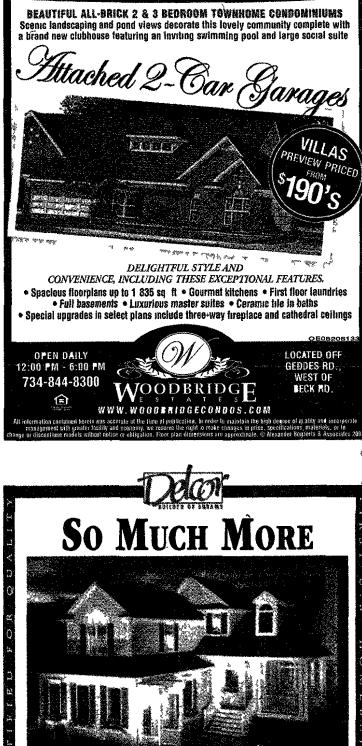
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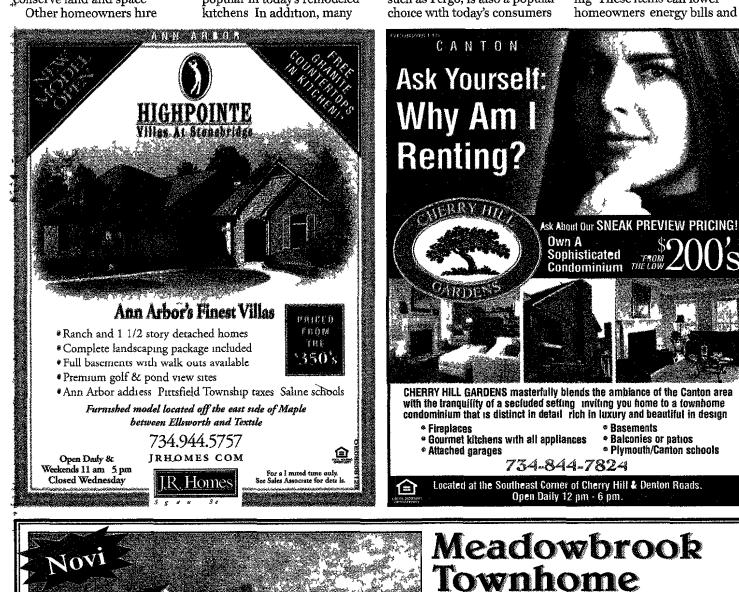
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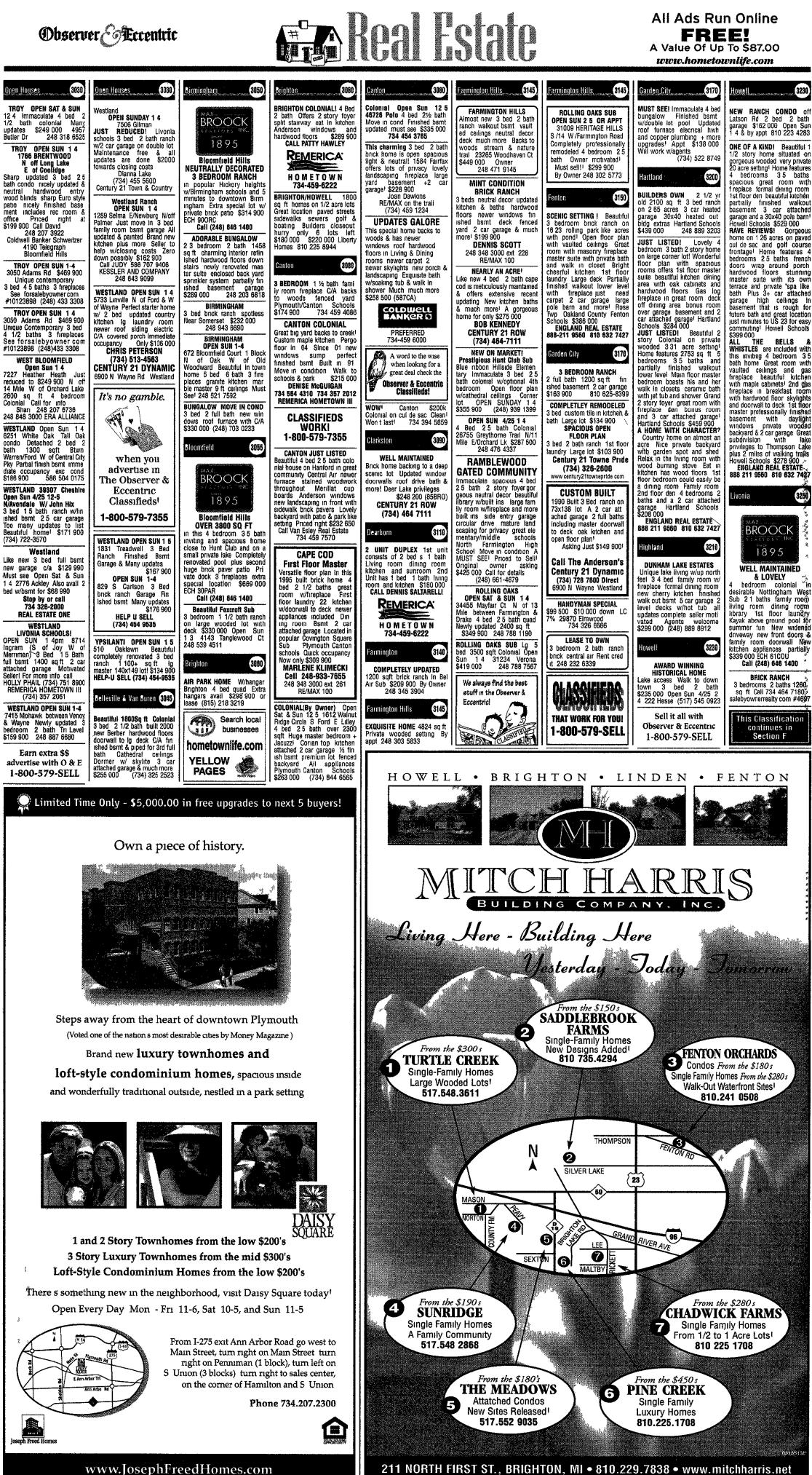


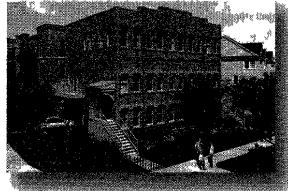
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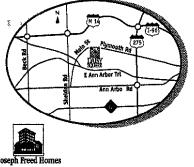
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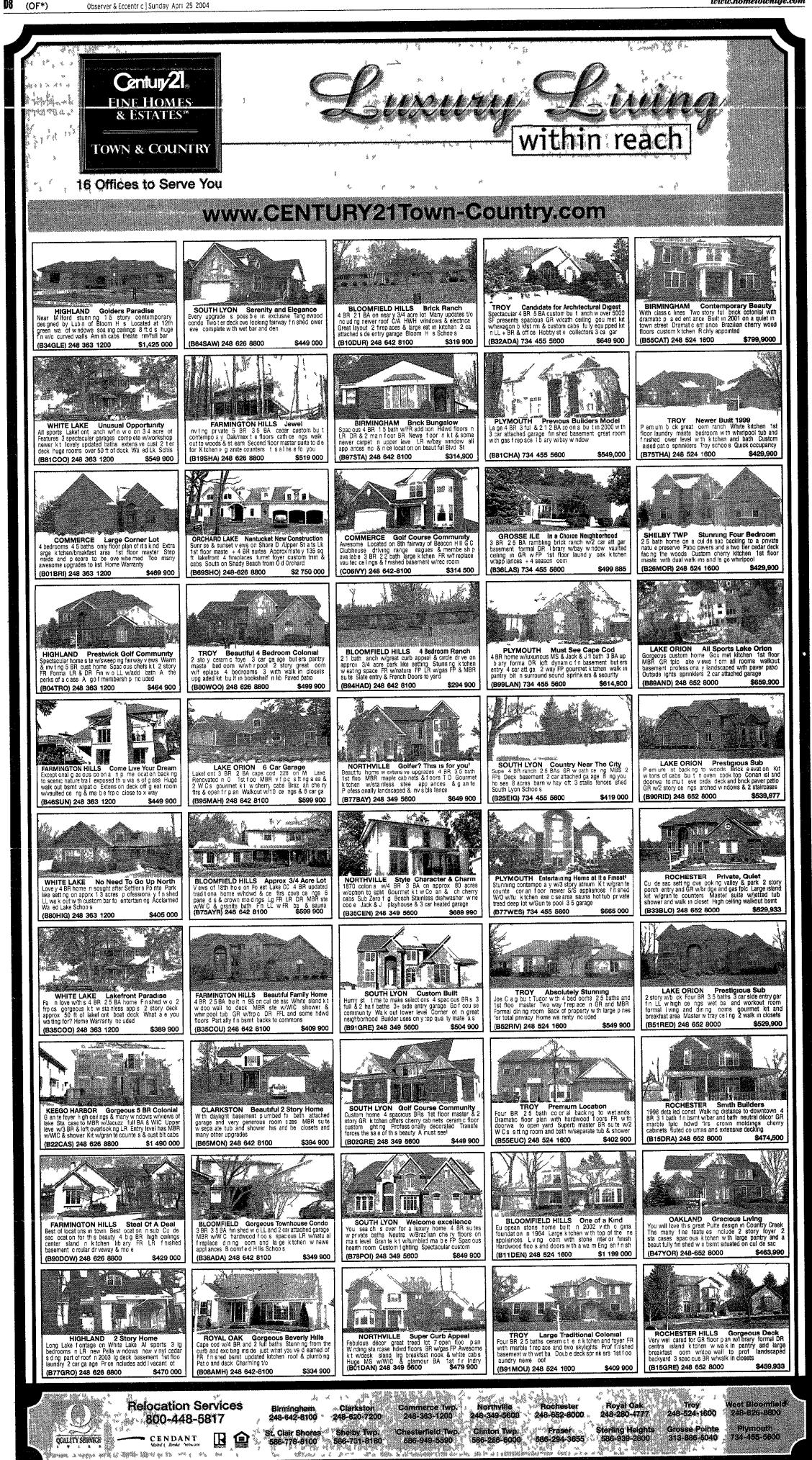






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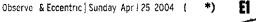
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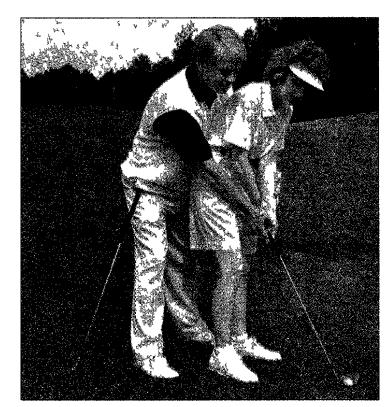
By DIANE GALE ANDREASSI

Special Writer

Apartment living is the perfect solution if you like the flexibility of going on vacation without worrying about the furnace or hot water tank blowing and returning to thousands of dollars in repairs

In fact, apartment living takes almost all the worry out of home maintenance

"The main reason people live in apartments is convenience," explains Peter J Light, director of operations at Etkin & Company, a 45-year-old company based in Walled Lake offering high-rise and mid-rise apartments, as well as town homes.



"If someone wants to go on vacation or on extended leave, all they have to do is shut the door and we take care of the rest, he says "You don't have as many responsibilities as you do with home ownership, like paying taxes and dealing with mortgage payments"

Apartment living also lets the renter move to another community quickly and without a lot of hassle, explains Pam Beach, leasing consultant with Eton Square, managed by Burton Katzman in Bingham Farms

"And you're not stuck in a long-term lease, like you would be in a home," Beach says "You also have the opportunity of having everything taken care of for you and all you do is make a call "

Beach stresses the importance of looking for apartments that provide good service and convenient locations

"My number one concern would be service and then proximity to places that you work or you like to spend time," Beach says "You also want to look at cleanliness '

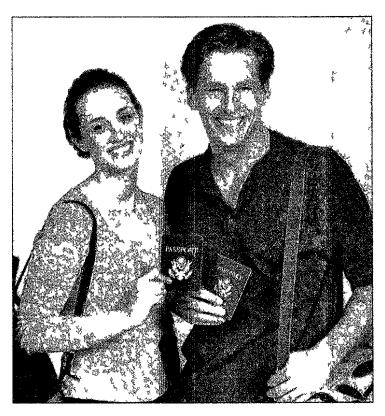
If the property is maintained it gives you clues on how quickly and efficiently your future concerns will be handled, she says adding that it's also a good sign when friends and family recommend a facility

"A lot of people who rent from us are from referrals, Beach adds

Don't forget to ask about amenities that are important to you Most apartments, for instance, offer use of community rooms for parties Most have car ports and many even offer garages

Living in an apartment is traditionally appealing to recent college graduates and young professionals, Light says, adding, however, that more and more elderly adults are choosing the easer way of life apartment dwelling offers

'I'm seeing a lot of retirees who don't want the responsibilities of home ownership anymore, but want to live in a high-end community," Light says adding that they no longer have to think about replacing roofs and other maintenance chores "They don't want to be responsible for repairs and that s what we strive for in our service. In our communities we keep very high standards."



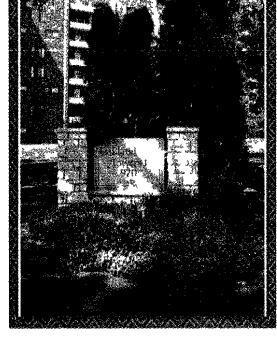
If you live in an apartment your "things to do" list just got shorter, because chores like painting, carpet replacement, snow plowing and yard care are all handled by the facility operator

There's an extra measure of security provided in apartments, too

'Neighbors know what's going on," he says "They see people coming and going' Some facilities also have security companies and other safety measures available

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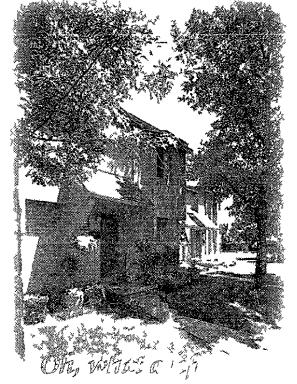
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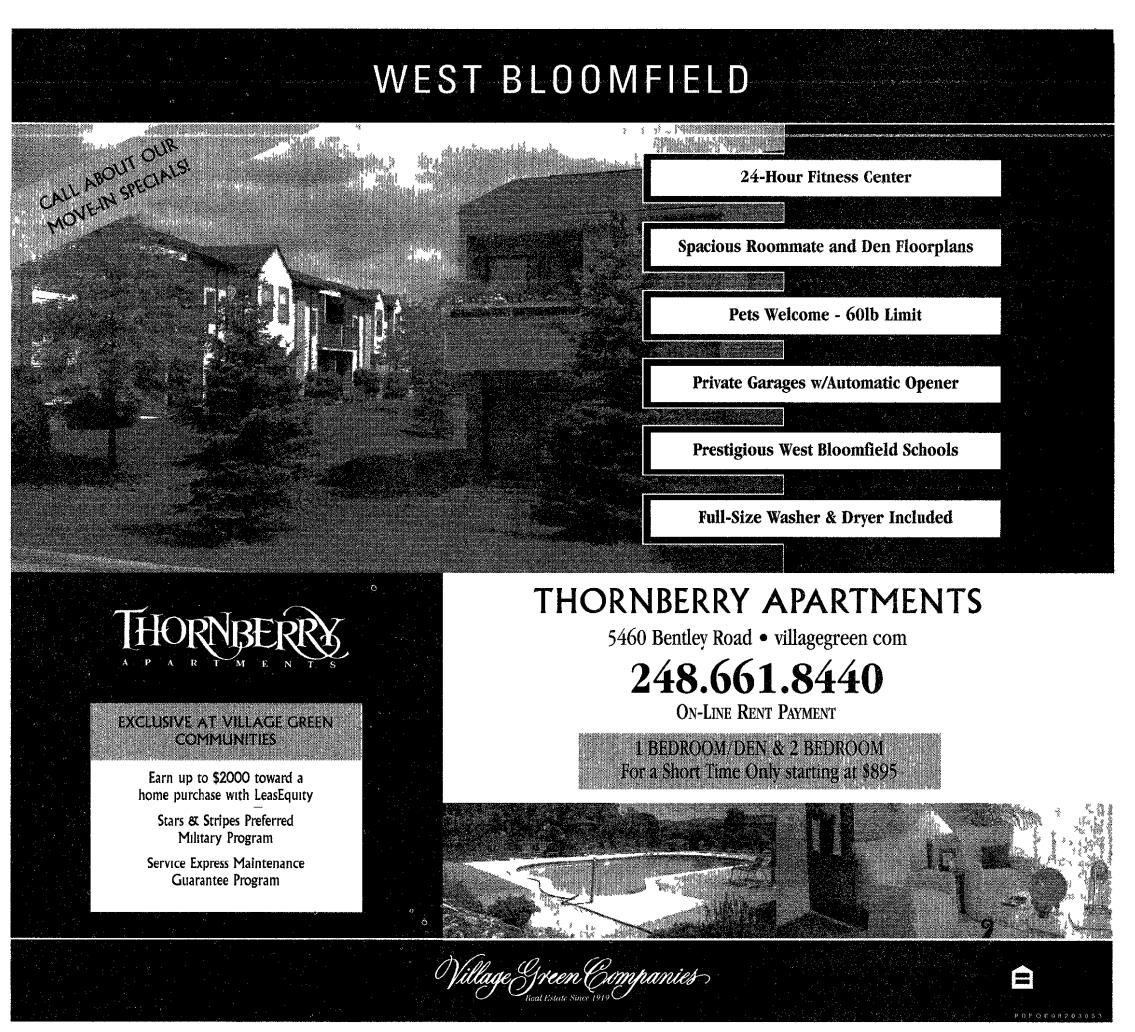
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Many Apartments weicome your pet

By DIANE GALE ANDREASSI Special Writer

Banish those fleeting thoughts of dressing your dog or cat in a baby bonnet to sneak them into your apartment.

Many apartment and retirement facilities welcome pets and even provide specific buildings where you can live with other lovers of furry friends

"Cats are allowed in all of our properties and most also take dogs under 20 pounds--we're reaching out to those people who have pets," explains Melanie Hearsch, Village Green public relations director Village Green has 35 properties in metro Detroit and 100 properties throughout the Midwest.

"Small, caged animals are allowed at the discretion of the property owner," Hearsch says adding that in most cases tiny, caged animals, like hamsters and gerbals, are also accepted

Pets are also welcome at Westhaven Manor, providing retirement apartments for people who are at least 55 years old, in Westland and with other locations around the state.

Westhaven asks renters with pets to sign a pet policy that explains their responsibilities

"We ask them to read and sign it to make sure they know their obligations," explains Cheryl Waddle, Westhaven Manor administrator

"It's getting more and more popular to allow pets, she says It's company for the senior and if they have their pet with them they don't want to give that up "

Westhaven asks that pets are of a "quiet nature" so barking or whining doesn't disturb other residents

Renters also must be able to care for their pets without assistance, Waddle says

Dog owners are given first floor apartments to provide easy outdoor access through patio doors Dogs must be accompanied outside with a leash

"We have a mce wooded area in the back of the property where they can walk their dogs,' Waddles says adding that the facility doesn't charge extra monthly rent for pets or require a pet related security deposit.

Westhaven does, however, maintain files for residents with pets, that includes health records and verification of vacinnation shots There are specific apartment websites that cater to people with pets, like people withpets com, where renters can save time in their search

"To be able to move somewhere with your pet is so important to a lot of people," Hearsch says A lot of our renters are first or second time renters and young professionals And a lot are moving out from home and they're looking for companions Others are seniors or divorced people who have pets

Providing dog buildings' that are designated for people with pets, Hearsch says, takes into consideration both the concerns of pet lovers and those who don't want to be bothered by someone else's dog or cat

"So if you have someone who isn't a big dog person they don't have to walk down the hallway and run into a dog, Hearsch says "We try to accomdoate people with pets, but make it work for all the people'

Your search for an apartment might be a little more difficult if you have a large dog Many facilities have a weight limit that they accept

'It's for everyone's safety and comfort that we don't accept certain breeds," Hearsch says

At Village Green the pet policy describes the renter's responsibilities and requires a \$150 refundable pet deposit per cat and dog There is also a \$20 a month fee for each pet

Seeing eye dogs and 'helper" animals aren't considered pets and they don't require extra deposit fees or monthly pet rent. Hearsch says

Being prepared with a lot of information about your pet before you start your apartment search helps, too For instance, gather your pets health records and make sure your dog or cat is up to date on required shots

You can even go so far as asking your veterinarian and other acquaintances for referrals about your pet's good behavior and calm nature

Many renters look for apartments close to their work so they can go home during the day and let their pet out, Hearsch says Many Village Green Apartment facilities offer specific areas to exercise pets

Some complexes even host dog day events to provide a venue for canine lovers to meet and socialize with other pet owners in the



apartment complex

It s part of our commuty and we embrace that Hearsch says As long as its expressed to people about cleaning up after your pets like they would anywhere we want to make it a comfortable environment

I couldn't move into an apartment if they didn't take pets, she adds For most renters who have a pet the pet is part of their family A person with a pet would be just as likely to not take an apartment that doesn't accept pets as someone who has children wouldn't take an apartment where children aren't allowed "









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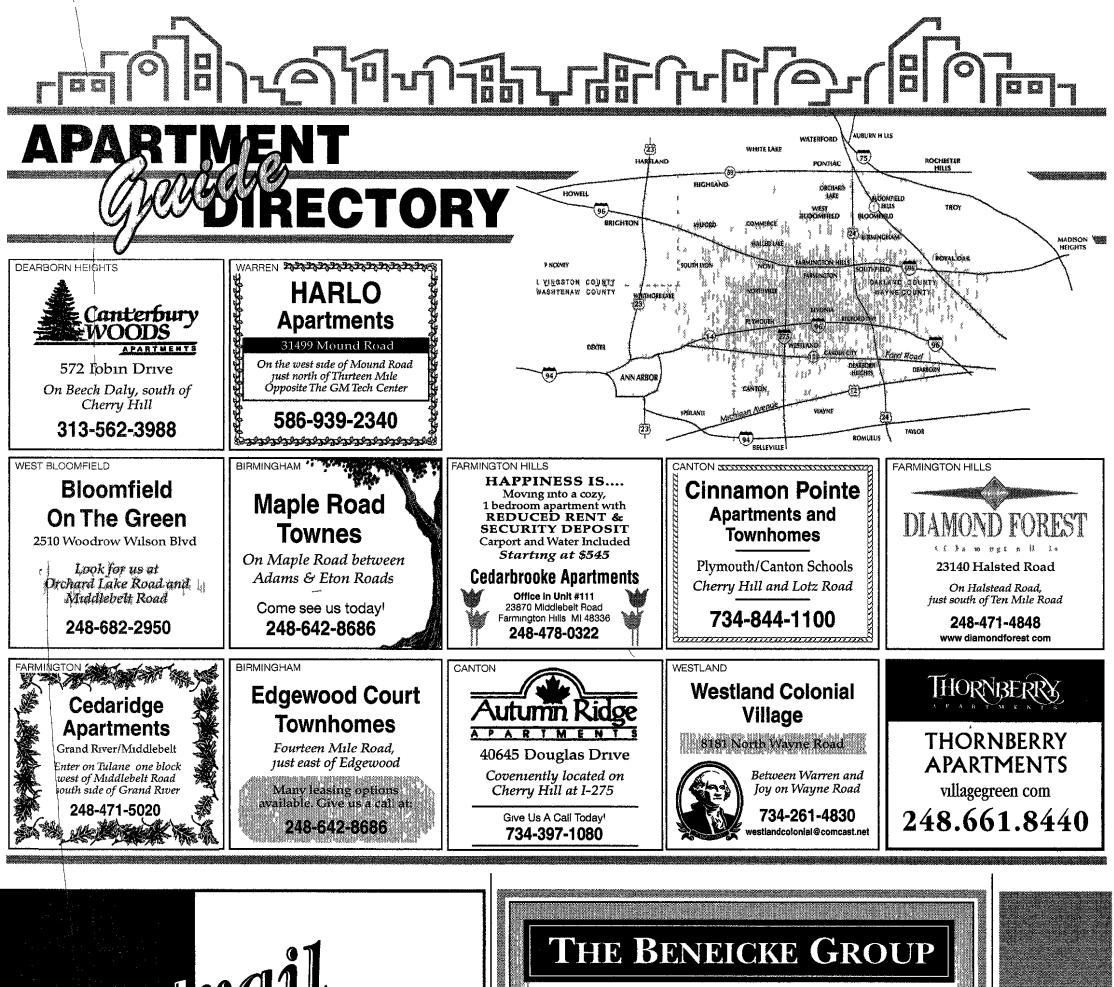
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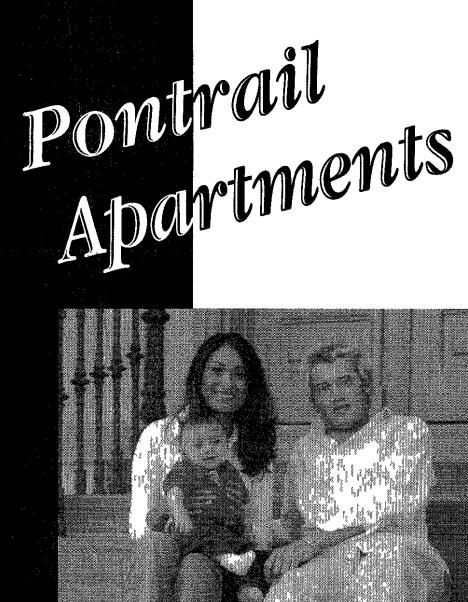
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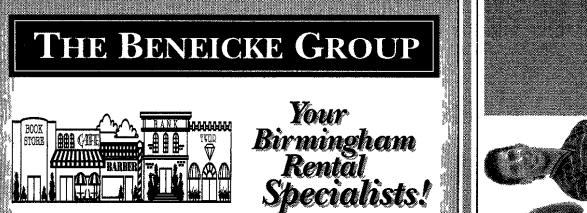
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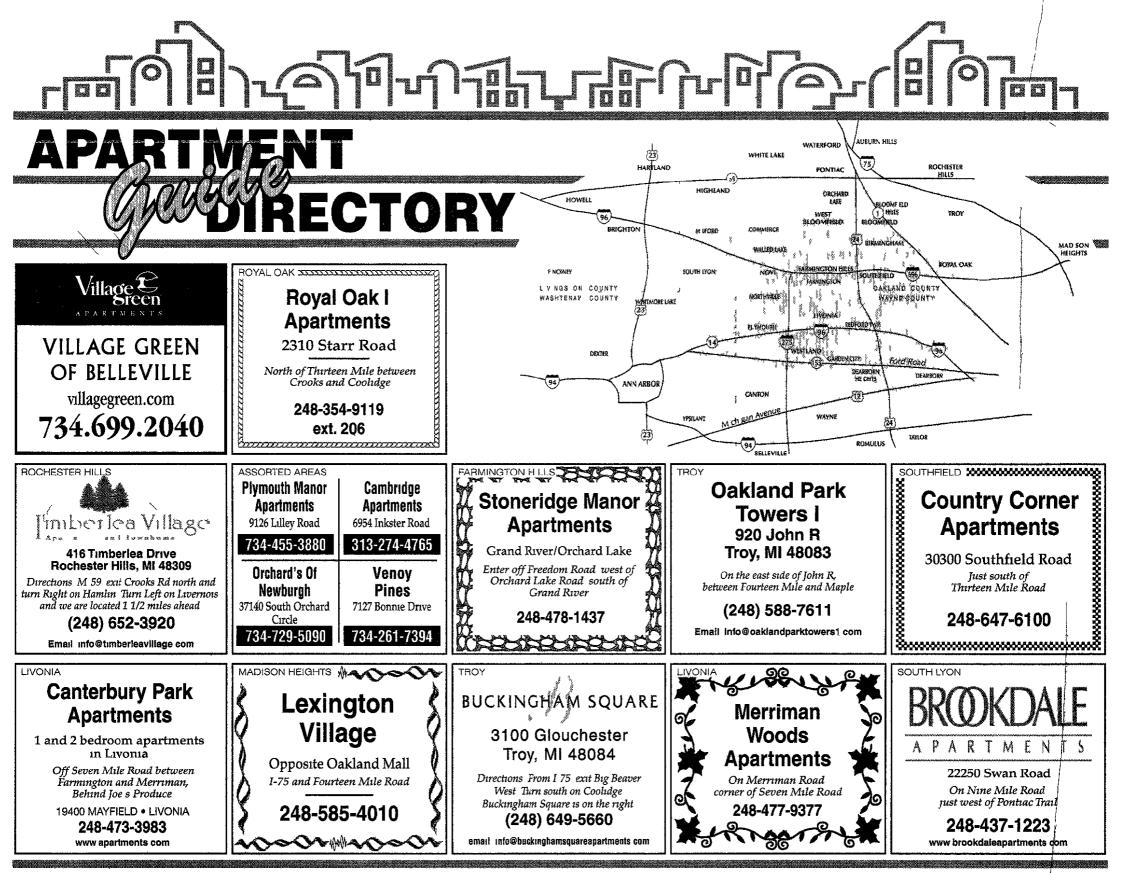
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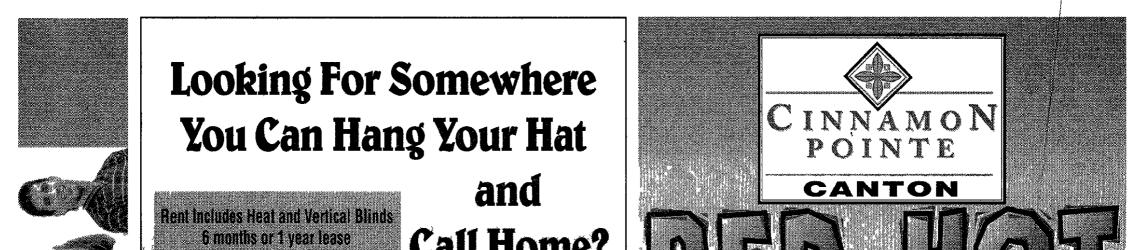
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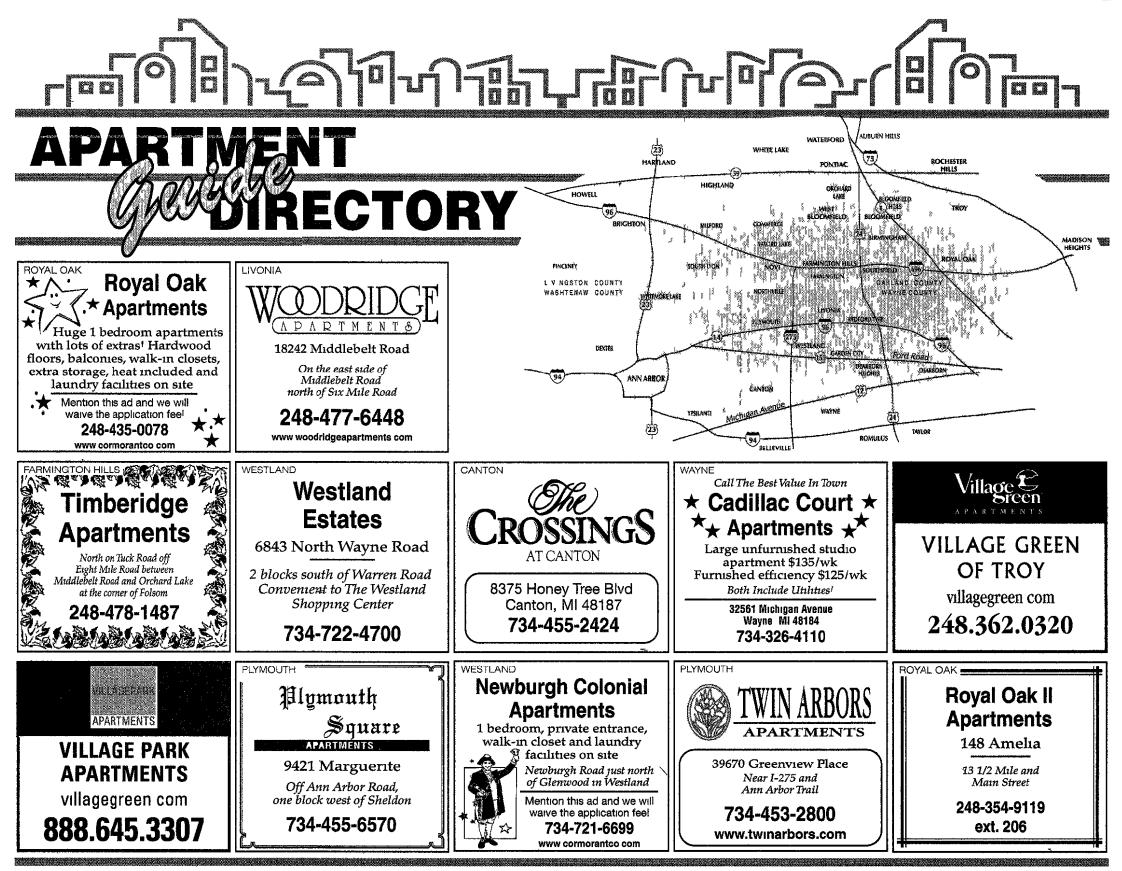
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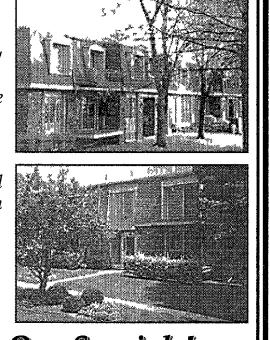




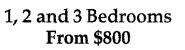


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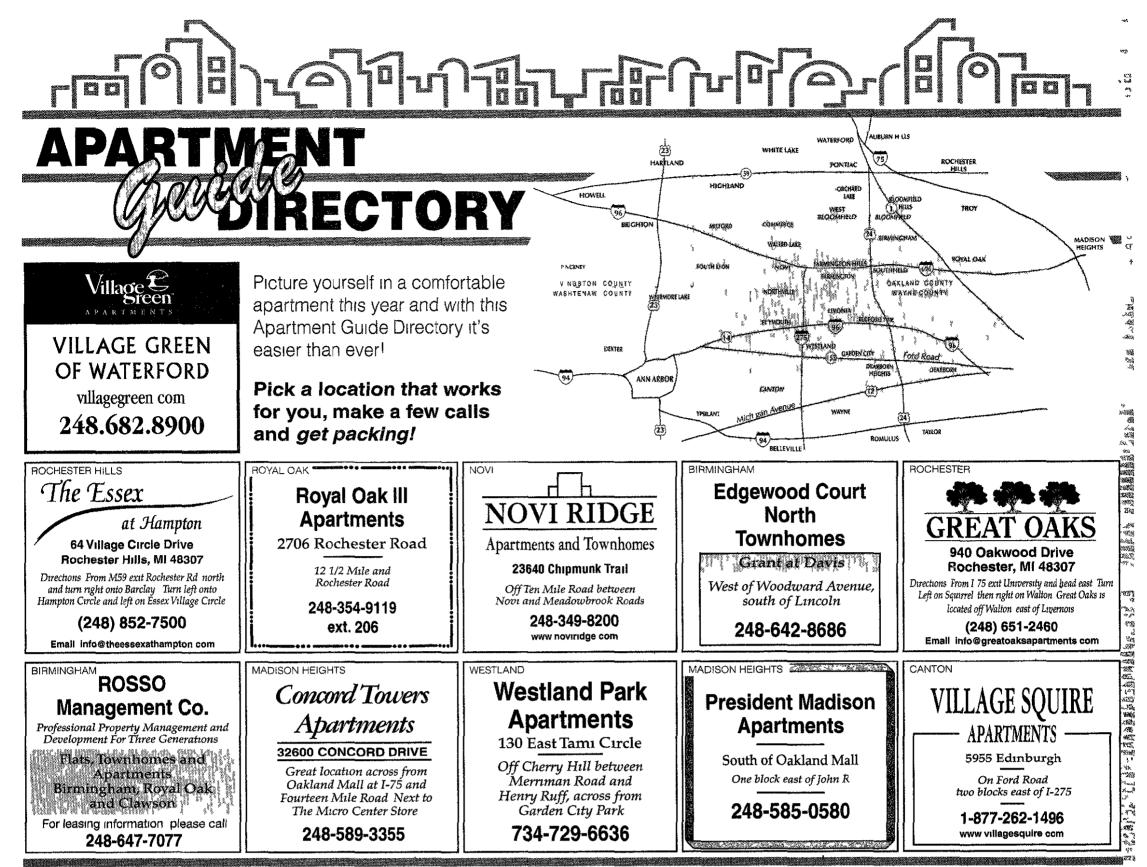


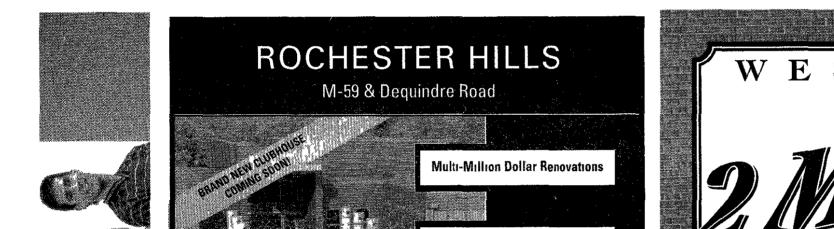
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By DIANE GALE ANDREASSI Special writer

Apartment living can be a wonderful investment when you get involved in an equity earning program

More and more apartment properties are luring renters with the idea that they can save for their dream homes

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Last summer Woodbury Communities began luring renters with their Equity Earner Program, which awards a rebate at the end of the renter's time at a Woodbury Community apartment The longer you live in the

apartment, the larger the rebate

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'Even someone who has under a year, can begin earning this dream home rebate, explains Dawn Drozd, director of marketing at Woodbury Management, a property management company based in Farmington Hills with 12 multi-family housing communities throughout Michigan, including Diamond Forest in Farmington Hills, Novi Ridge in Novi and Woodbury Gardens in Ann Arbor, two senior housing facilities in Michigan and other properties throughout the country

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By DIANE GALE ANDREASSI Special Writer

* Short term leases are ideal if you're not quite sure where life is going to take you in the next few months, or maybe you recently

sold your home and need a transitional place while your new house is being built

The nice thing is that you have options, like seeking out an apartment complex that will allow you to sign a lease for less than 12 months Or, you might choose something else, like a version of a hotel that is based on short term stays Both offer benefits

"If you decide to stay in an apartment, there is usually a premium added to the monthly market rent for short term leases, explains Holli Menke, executive administrative assistant of Consolidated Management, owner and manager of apartment communities in Michigan, Ohio and Florida

The premiums range from \$50 to \$100 or more

However, some apartment communities are waiving that fee to counteract the current low occupancy rates plaguing a lot of apartment complexes The offer is among a slew of lures owners are making, like providing a month or more of free rent to long term leases

Apartment communities often offer three, six and nine month leases Typically, the shorter the lease the higher the premium On a more rare basis, some facilities are even bringing in dwellers with one month leases

The apartment, some feel, is preferable to a hotel room, because there's a kitchen and more of a home type atmosphere "In today's market many companies are looking for shortterm housing for employees on témporary work assignments,' Menke explains

Short term corporate rentals almost always include a full package of options and amenities In these cases the apartment would be completely furnished with all the creature comforts maginable from table and bed linens to dishes, silverware and small appliances All utility costs, including phone and cable television, are included in the monthly rent



"The rental rates for these apartments are significantly higher and negotiated on a case by case basis depending on availability and amenity level,' Menke says

While these options seem tempting, the majority of apartment leases, some 80 percent, are residents who sign traditional the 12-month agreement

Maybe an apartment complex ısn't what you want If so, you might be interested in something like Lodging by the Month in downtown Plymouth The extended stay form of hotel hospitality accommodations offer rooms that are equipped like a standard hotel

There isn't the typical kitchen or extended space that an apartment offers, but there are amenities here that hotels don't have, explains Randy Lorenz, who co-owns Lodging by the Month with his wife, Mary

Most clients, however, don't miss the kitchen, Lorenz says, because the downtown location provides so many culinary choices The location also makes the rooms easy walking distance to pub, park, theater," Lorenz adds

The current cost is \$700 monthly, which includes all taxes, utilities, weekly maid services, that involves dusting, linen changes and other cleaning, 10 free local phone calls per day, cable television, a king size bed, dresser, desk, refrigerator, microwave and other typical furniture found in a standard hotel room

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a \$23 daily cost compared to most budget hotels that often charge around \$50 daily

"And we have a fridge and microwave that they don't,' Lorenz says

The name, Lodging by the Month, has taken on a whole new meaning for Lorenz who has clients who have lived in his facility for as long as a year

Loding by the Month also provides a weekly rate of \$225 after the first month and arrangements can be made for stays on a daily basis

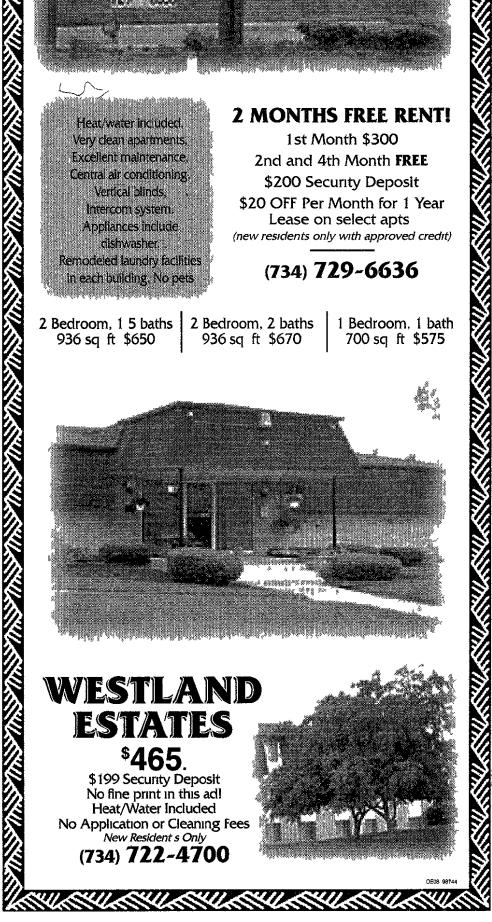
"They don't have to stay any extra time that they don't need, Lorenz adds

The typical clients are people who are relocating and are house hunting while their family is back at their homestead in another far away city or state

"It can take two or three months to find and close on a home," Lorenz says adding that Lodging by the Month is an option for people who are trying to avoid costly hotel taxes

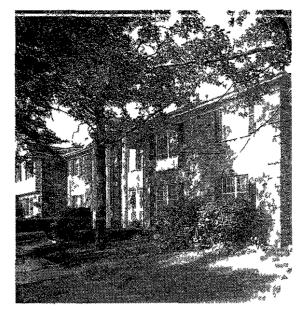
"The location is superior," he says "It's a little Norman Rockwell community A lot of people who are house hunting end up purchasing a home in Plymouth "

During summer months, many Lodging by the Month guests are "reverse snow bird" clients, Lorenz says "People who used to live up here, but have moved to Texas and Florida, still have family here In the summer, when it's too bloody hot in Texas and Florida, they come up here to be with their families'



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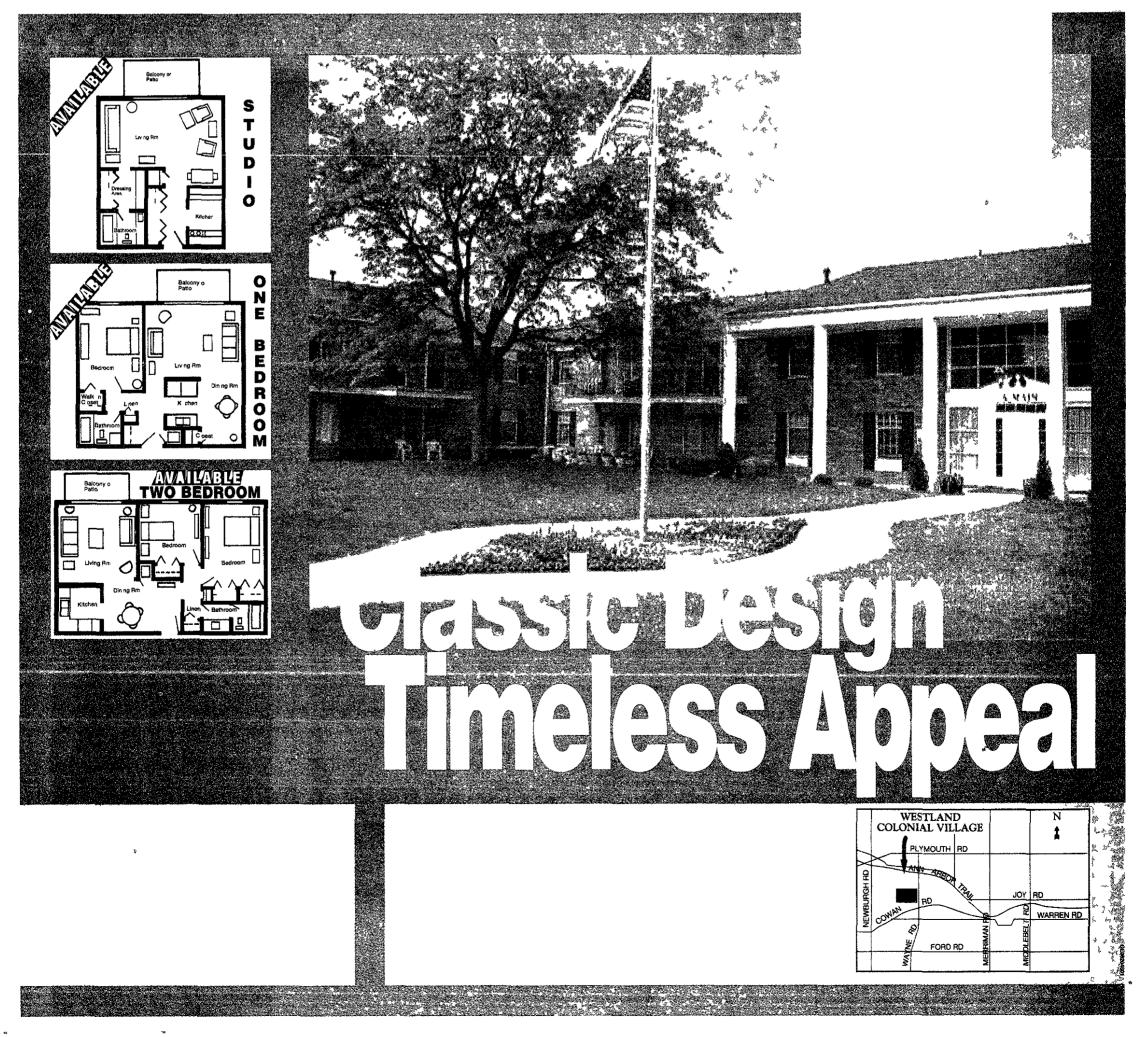
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Someone who has rented three or four years and is buying an existing home for \$236,000 would receive \$1,180 from the Equity Earner Program The award is determined by multiplying \$5 by every thousand dollars of the purchase price

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Drozd says stressing that the equity program hasn't increased rental rates

Meanwhile, Village Green properties has been offering an equity program LeasEquity, for five years

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For instance if you live in a community for 10 months and the rent is \$1,000 a month you ve already earned \$1,000, explains Brian Owen, director of VG Select which oversees the lease equity program for Village Green

Village Green has also formed partnerships with well known builders, like Pulte, Crosswinds Hometown Builders and Bruce Homes, formerly known as Biltmore for renters who are interested in building a newly constructed home A second Village Green equity program is awarded for people buying used homes Renters receive \$5 for every \$1,000 spent Therefore, renters who buy a used home costing \$200,000 would receive a \$1,000 rebate Village Green also uses Real Estate One as their partner real estate broker

'We know we re working with the leading realtor in each region and the best builders who are populating this area,' explains Melanie Hearsch, public relations director for Village Green companies

Additionally, a \$400 mortgage rebate is given to all Village Green renters who use Rock Financial







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Your first apartment: insurance advice for college students

By METRO CREATIVE GRAPHICS

Each school year, thousands of college and graduate students are gearing up to return to school, and many face the exciting prospect of renting then first apartment "Besides the basic essentials like textbooks, items that top "the list of 'must-haves for students - including laptops, CD players and cell phones unfortunately also rank high on the list of desirables for would be thieves

To make matters worse, some students will discover that they re out in the cold when it comes to protecting their valuables This can come as a surprise after living in a dorm, where most students' belongings are typically covered under their parents homeowners insurance policy In fact, research shows that more than 80 percent of college renters fail to take the necessary precaution of purchasing renters msurance, though it's a relatively inexpensive investment that can guarantee peace of mind

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purchase a solid protection plan that covers your valuables up to \$75,000 and provides protection against personal hability, says Dan Liparini, Vice President of Underwriting for MetLife Auto & Home "Imagine experiencing a file or other disaster in your apartment and having to replace all your valuable clothing, CDs DVDs televisions and stereo equipment - not to mention all the furniture pots pans dishes and other necessities - at your own expense Hopefully, you wont be burglarized or experience a fire But if you do, you ll know your valuables are protected

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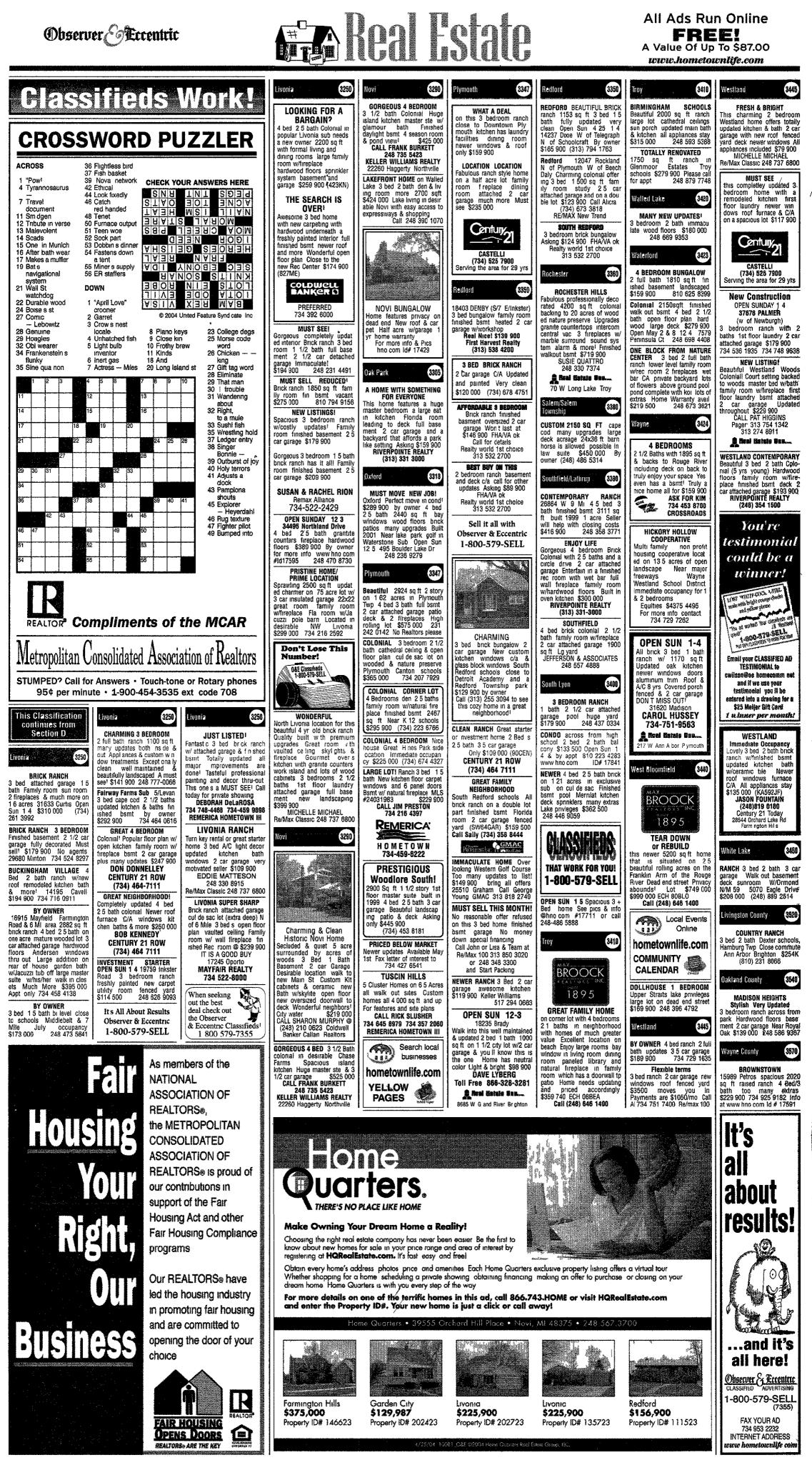
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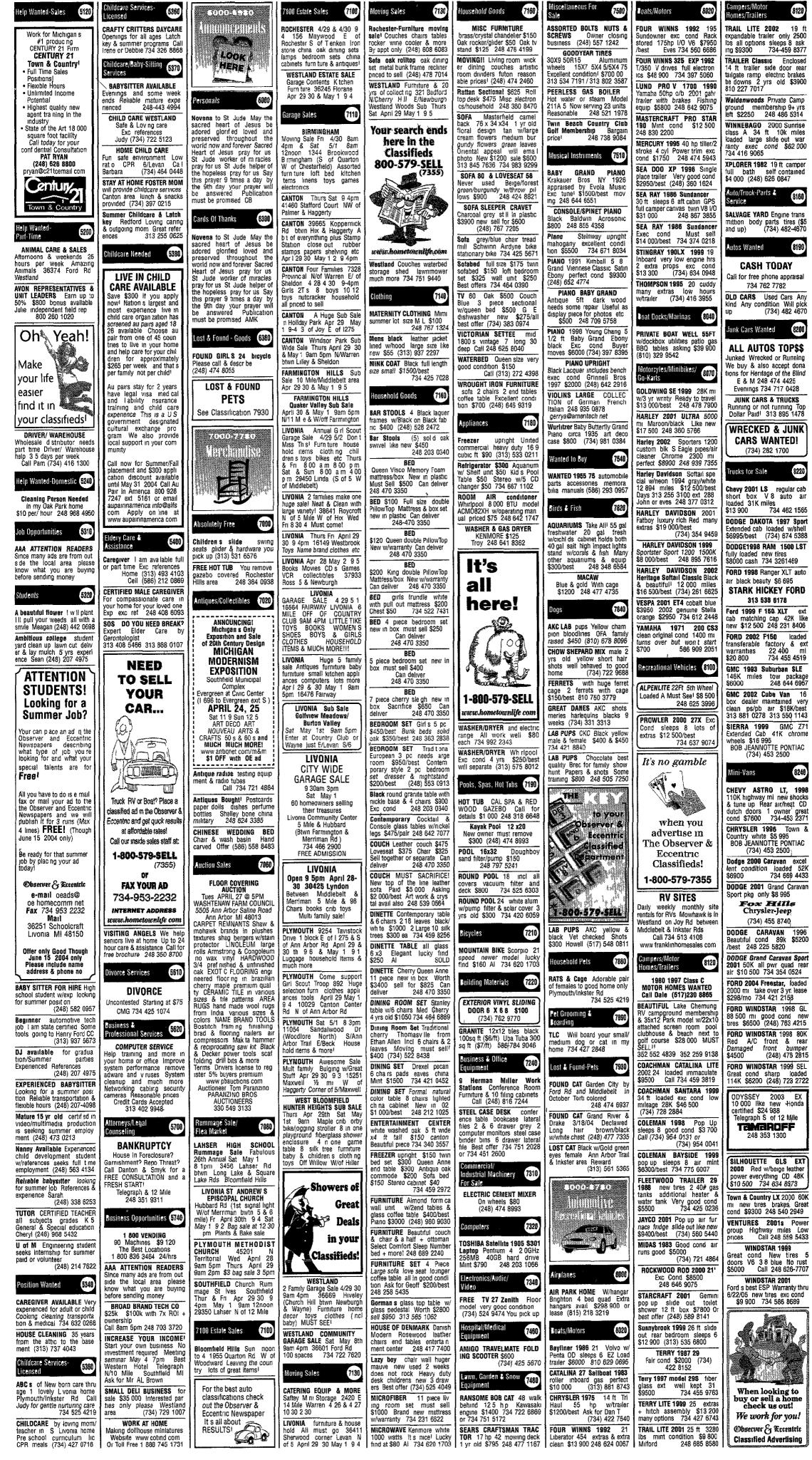
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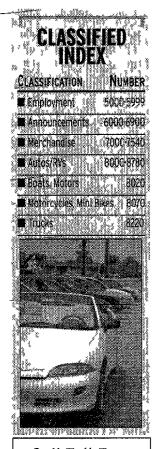
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Thinking About A Used Vehicle?

The last time I drove the Ford Explorer Sport Trac was in sunny California several years ago Ford took us from the airport directly to a beautiful park in San Francisco where you could see the Golden Gate Bridge

All of a sudden, up pulls a backhoe filled to the top with boulders The backhoe operator dumps the entire load into the back of the Sport Trac Then someone starts picking them out of the flatbed revealing to us that this Sheet Molded Composite cargo box can take anything you can throw at it without harming the interior of the truck's bed I was impressed Especially since everyone wants to put

a bedliner or some other protector in their trucks bed By the way did you know that those new after market spray-on coatings you can get from various venders imme diately voids your trucks paint warranty? That's because the truck bed s factor finish must be destroyed GM actual ly considers the installation of a spray on liner excessive damage that impacts the warranty coverage

Get a 2002 Explorer Sport Trac and you wont have to worry about any of this stuff The only thing I didn t like was the available lockable hard tonneau cover It was hard to open and harder to put stuff in the rear bed

Back there, youll find a 51-inch (or 296 cubic feet of cargo space) pickup box that you can outfit with a swingover tubular bed extender that considerably extends the bed even farther The tubular frame locks in place and is very lightweight Even from outside the truck, it's easy to put in place

OK Enough about the pickup box Let s get into some of the meat and potatoes of what makes the Explorer Sport Trac a very special truck. Inside, it's really not very different from the Explorer, which is still the best-selling SUV

Interior appointments are very, very nice Seating is comfortable The Sport Trac I drove had leather seats that



2002 Ford Explorer Sport Trac - Vehicle class: Sport Utility Vehicle. Power: 4.0-liter single overhead cam V6 engine. Mileage: 15 city / 19 highway. Where built: Louisville. Price when it was new: \$31,400.

were very soft and comfy There are two buckets up front and room for three with a rear 60/40 split bench seat In the back seat are head restraints on the outboard seating positions

The leather seats up front also feature manual lumbar adjustments and 4-way head restraints for both positions You can also choose from cloth bucket seats that have a 6 way adjustable recline feature for the driver

The interior is very nicely laid out for the driver The only disturbing feature was the center stack that houses the heating/venting/cooling and AM/FM/CD/cassetté stereo You actually have to take your eyes fully off the road to operate the controls I didn't like that at all I guess after some time, you ll probably get used to it -- just like typing or something But I didn't like the placement of both those components

Everything else is smartly placed and geared totally to the driver's experience Stalks are within fingertip reach and instrumentation is easy to understand

The optional overhead console features map lights, a compass, outside temperature and a garage door storage bin The center storage console is geared toward the rear passengers by allowing them rear heater/air conditioning controls, headphone jacks and audio controls

The Sport Trac features four full-size doors that allow passengers in and out very effectively. The interior is very roomy Large people can fit back there comfortably

Powered by a 4 O-liter single overhead cam V6, the standard Sport Trac comes with a 5-speed manual transmission that outputs 210 horses Opt for the 5-speed automatic overdrive transmission for ease of operation You ll be able to tow a maximum of 5,300 pounds with Sport Trac

Driving around town and traveling to the upper reaches of Michigan's lower peninsula was a joy Handling was superb Ride quality is really wonderful Sport Trac also features shift-on-the-fly 4-wheel drive system that would be a joy to have off-roading or having fun in the snow The 4wheel-drive system is available in both configurations of the Sport Trac, either with the 5-speed manual or 5-speed auto-" matic

Fuel capacity has been changed to add a little more than 2 more gallons this year, increasing it to 22 4 gallons That gets you nearly to the top of the mitten from Detroit Fuel economy ranges from 15 to 21 mpg, depending on transmission and whether you outfit it with 4-wheel-drive or not.

As for the looks of the Explorer Sport Trac, it s beautifully executed in every way The Explorer series has always had handsome looks -- that s why it sells so well

I would seriously take a look at Sport Trac as an alternative vehicle that s perfect for a family who needs the versatility of a pick-up truck

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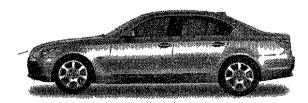
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