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River Day

The City of Plymouth is looking for volunteers for its annual River Day event, formerly known as Rouge Rescue, scheduled for June 5

"The event experienced a name change because the river is in much better shape thanks to our volunteers in the past," said neighborhood services coordinator Chris Porman "Now the event is focusing on celebrating and improving the environment around the Rouge and its tributaries"

The event focuses on activities such as storm drain stenciling, trash collection and nature trail restoration where the volunteers can help improve the environment surrounding the creek

"The days of going down into the river and pulling up enough debris to fill up a Dumpster are over," Porman said "We are now looking at the event with a new focus and a broader range of issues."

The 2004 River Day event takes place along the creek on Byron Street behind Smith Elementary School Residents interested in participating can show up the day of the event or contact Porman via e-mail at cporman@cityofplymouthmi.us or call (734) 453-7737, Ext 108

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Falling fountain foils proposal plan

BY TONY BRUSCATO
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Gary Lanier had a romantic plan Propose to his future wife in front of the fountain in Kellogg Park Thursday night

"We were taking our nightly walk into town and ended up at the fountain, but it wasn't there," said Traci Thomas, the bride-to-be "It had orange and white barricades and caution tape all around it He said he couldn't believe the fountain was gone"

That's because in the afternoon the fountain was smashed into several pieces when it toppled as a contractor was attempting to level it

"The contractor (EGH Construction) was working to level the fountain because it was leaning," said City Manager Paul Sincock "There were no nuts and bolts, it's literally glued together It just came down"

The fiberglass fountain crashed almost six years to the day after it was dedicated on May 25, 1998, a donation from Calvin and Charlotte Perry

City officials said it's too early to tell if and when the fountain will be replaced "We'll have to make some decisions quickly, because we have a lot of activities situated around the park," said Mayor Stella Greene

Dennis Descenzo, owner of Jimmy John's restaurant across from Kellogg Park, said he'd like to start a fund to replace the fountain

"I know the city is in financial straits, and the fountain represents downtown Plymouth," said Descenzo

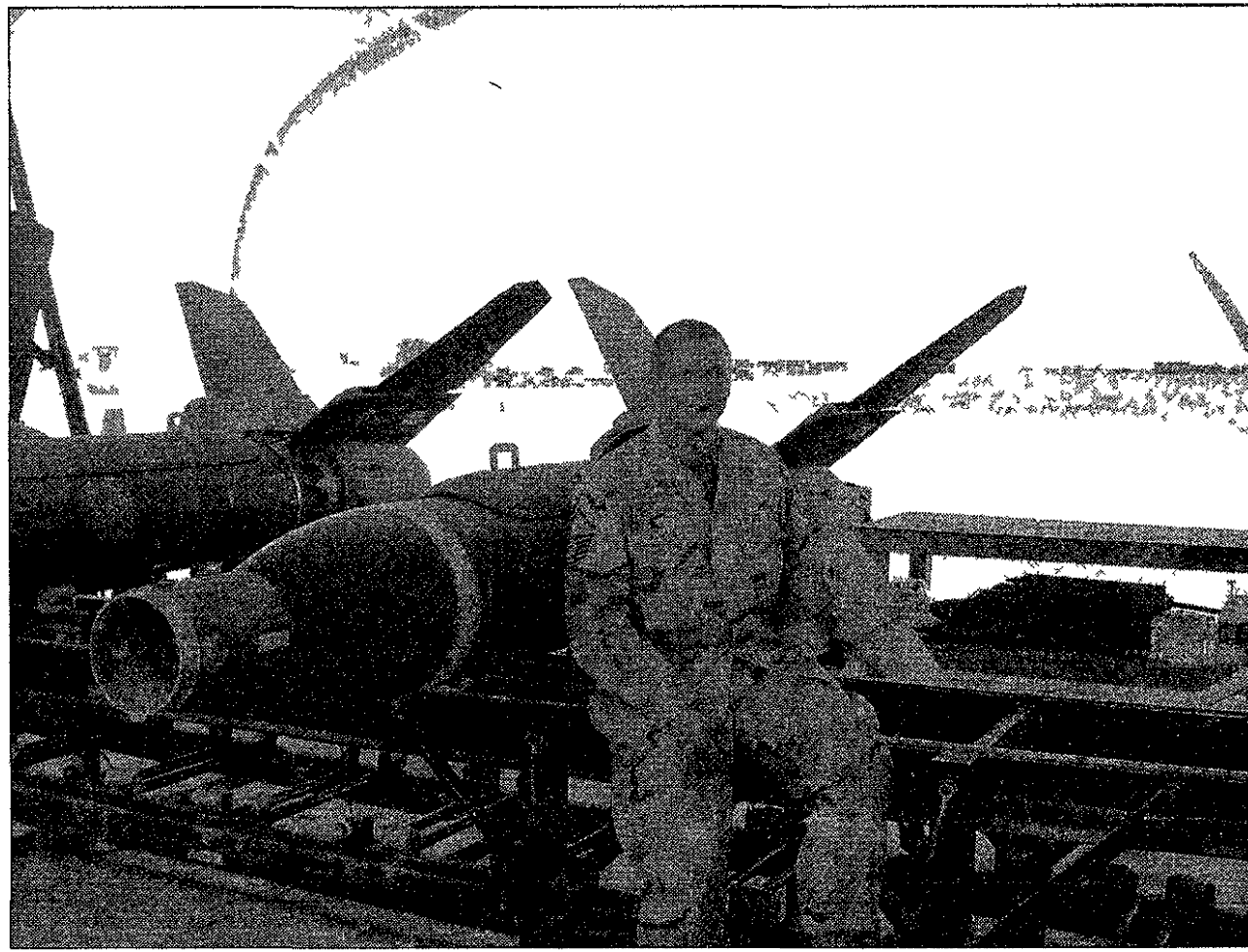
As for Lanier, he improvised He got his bride-to-be to walk to Canon Park on Farmer Street and proposed at the gazebo

"I did say 'yes,'" said Thomas

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Crew members work to clean up after the fountain in Kellogg Park toppled while being worked on by contractors



Air Force Master Sgt Shannon Adams of Plymouth, who is stationed in Iraq, recently sent an American flag that had been flown in Iraq to the City of Plymouth as a remembrance of his hometown

There's no place like home

Soldier remembers hometown with flag flown in Iraq

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

This year's Memorial Day Parade in Plymouth will include an American flag that was flown over Iraq and Afghanistan on behalf of the City of Plymouth

The flag was sent to City Hall in April by Air Force Master Sgt Shannon Adams, who lived in Canton before moving to Plymouth in 1976

It was flown on a mission over the war zone in honor of the city on Feb 10 during Adams' recent deploy-

ment to Al Udeid Air Base in Qatar "The flag was hand-carried on my deployment and flown during a combat mission on a fighter aircraft supporting our ground troops in Iraq and in Afghanistan," Adams wrote in a letter accompanying the flag "Please display it for all to see as a way of connecting with our military forces performing very difficult missions throughout the world"

Adams, 38, joined the Air Force in 1983, after graduating from Salem High School, and is currently stationed at Aviano Air Base in Venice, Italy, with the 31st Maintenance

Squadron "Basically, we take care of all the munitions for the Air Force, from providing ordnance to fighter craft to bullets for security forces," Adams wrote in responding to an e-mail from the Plymouth Observer "We are responsible for supplying and maintaining all the explosives that the Air Force uses day to day"

Adams wrote that joining the Air Force was one of the best life decisions he's ever made

"My stepfather, John Warner, had

PLEASE SEE SOLDIER, A6

Church returns to district to lead instruction

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

This summer will be homecoming for Barbara Church, who Tuesday was approved by the Board of Education as Plymouth-Canton's assistant superintendent of instruction

Church leaves the same post in the Clarenceville school district to return to the place where she's spent 22 years as both a teacher and administrator

Church admitted her ties to the school district and the community where she resides were all factors in coming back after five years away

"I live in the community (Plymouth), I've had this connection for years and years, and my grandchildren are going to Plymouth-Canton Schools," said Church "I like change and challenge, and when I started to think about the new challenges, I decided to make the move"

Church said she really had no desire to leave Clarenceville, a district of about 2,000 students, to return to Plymouth-Canton and its 17,000 pupils However, the seeds were planted early by Superintendent Jim Ryan and others in the school district

"Dr Ryan called and told me about the posting, and I set it aside for awhile," said Church "Then, I received phone calls from people encouraging me to apply, and a hand-written note from Dr Ryan asking me to consider the position"

Ryan said he didn't know Church, having arrived in the district after she left However, Church's reputation preceded her return

"I had about 20 people suggest I ask her to apply," said Ryan "It was a case of people spoke so highly of her It was a wonderful outpouring of support"

Church wasn't handed the job Like the other candidates, she had to face a 13-member search committee, then go through a second interview She was the unanimous choice

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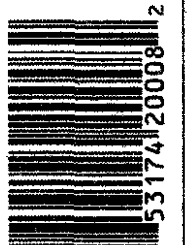
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Smokers burned about new cigarette tax

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

With a Salem-cigarette in one hand and a mixed drink in the other, Donald O Wood of Plymouth Township was belled up to the bar at Doyle's Tavern in Plymouth, discussing with two friends Tuesday's vote by the Michigan House to raise the state cigarette tax by 75 cents a pack

"I've been opposed to sin taxes for years and years and years," said Wood, who has smoked on-and-off for 16 years "Both are legal, and they're a personal choice As long as you can afford it, you'll continue to do it" Wood said he's tired of the government

trying to tell him he should quit smoking, and then raise cigarette taxes to balance the state budget

Philip Arbantis of Whitmore Lake doesn't smoke, but said he's tired of the state trying to balance the budget on the backs of smokers "I don't like smoking, but why should they be penalized?" said Arbantis "I want the government to give me an accounting as to why it needs more taxes Why do we have a deficit?"

State Rep John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, said he voted against the tax hike, but he did help facilitate the 55-53 vote margin, which now goes to the Senate "I wanted to see some revenue enhance-

ment passed because we have a dire budget problem, but I didn't want to hit the smoker again," said Stewart "I took a very unjustified beating two years ago when I voted for the 50-cent increase"

Joel Hall of Plymouth was walking out of Smokers Only! on Main Street after buying a pack of Marlboro Menthol

"They're always trying to balance the budget on the backs of people who have bad habits," said Hall, a smoker for 30 years "They say all these people will quit smoking if they raise the tax Well, then, if we all quit smoking where is all the revenue going to come from?"

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Tickets for House Tour 2004, a tour of six unusual homes in Birmingham, Farmington Hills, West Bloomfield and Pleasant Ridge, are available at the Temple Israel office. Call (248) 661-5700.

The tour will be presented by Temple Israel Sisterhood 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, June 2.

PCAC CAMPS

The Plymouth Community Arts Council offers the following camps for kids:

Guitar Camp — Two guitar camps with instructor Henry Bahrou. Beginning through intermediate guitarists age 7 and up can learn or improve their skills from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. June 28 - July 1. The cost for this four-day camp is \$90 for PCAC members and \$105 for non-members. Those aspiring musicians age 11 and older can attend Aug. 2-6. A group performance will be given at the end of this week. The cost for this 5-day workshop is \$110 for

members, \$125 for non-members.

Drama Camp for Kids — Aspiring actors ages 5-14 can come for one, two or all three weeks to the PCAC this summer for the Plymouth Uptown Players Drama Camps. Director Sharon Belobraidich, along with a seasoned staff, will teach the different aspects of drama and theater as well as the usual fun "camp" activities all kids look forward to. Bring a lunch each day and plan for a performance for family and friends at the end of the week. Camp is from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. June 21-25, July 12-16 or Aug. 16-20. The cost is \$110 for PCAC members, \$125 for nonmembers.

Kids' Fine Arts Camps — Two- and three-dimensional arts are the focus of the Visual Arts Workshops. From July 19-23, young artists ages 7-14 will create two-dimensional artwork with pencil, pen, paint and pastels. The Aug. 9-13 workshop will offer the challenge of sculpture. Camp is from 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. so kids should bring a lunch. The cost is \$125 for PCAC members, \$140 for nonmembers.

Youngest Artists Camp — Youngest Artists between 5 and 8 years old have a chance to experience both drama and visual arts July 27-29 at the PCAC. Campers will create artworks such as masks or puppets to use in a short play to present to family and friends on Thursday afternoon. Camp times are 9:30 a.m. - noon July 27-28 and from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. July 29. The cost is \$55 for PCAC members and \$65 for non-members.

The PCAC is located at 774 Sheldon. To register or for more information, call (734) 416-4278.

Soccer Registration

The City of Plymouth Department of Parks and Recreation will begin to accept registrations for the Fall Youth Soccer season starting Tuesday, June 1, 2004. Open registration will take place all during the month of June. Registration forms may be downloaded from the City's web site starting June 1st. Complete soccer information is available by checking out our web site at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us

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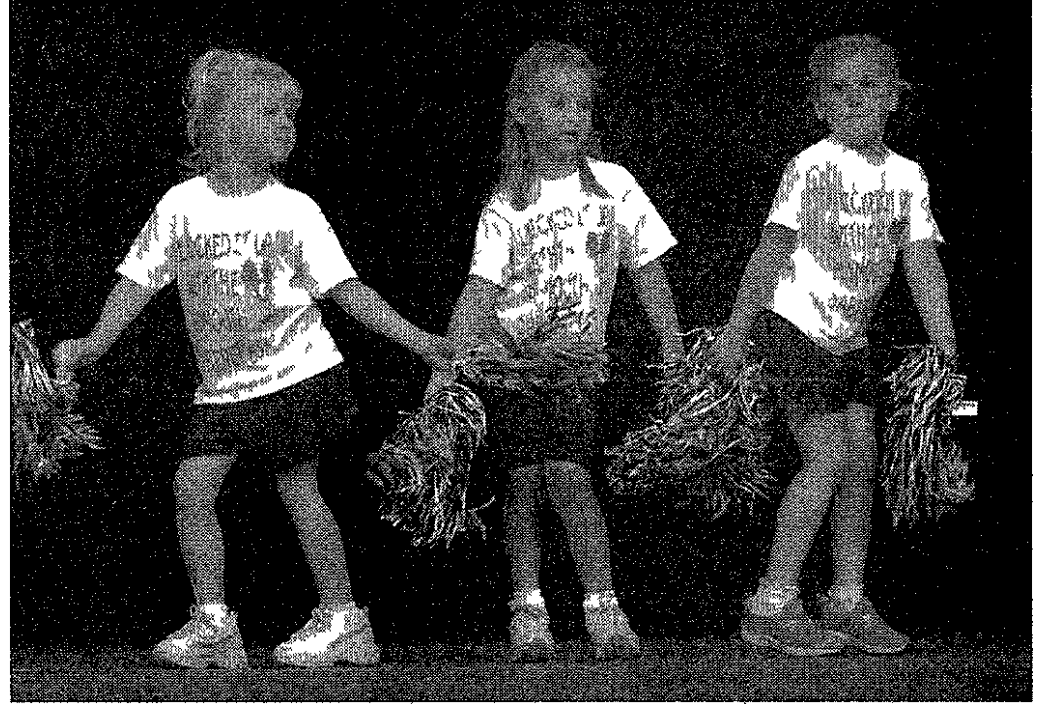
The Plymouth High School varsity cheerleaders host a cheer clinic for girls in kindergarten through eighth grade from 9 a.m. - noon Thursday, June 17.

Cost for the clinic is \$30, with additional girls from the same family costing \$10. The price includes a T-shirt.

For more information, call Connie Poremba, (734) 721-9120, or Joy Gutowski, (734) 397-3780.

New Associate

Neumann/Smith & Associates has named Stanley Cole of Plymouth to associate. Cole joined the firm in 1998. His recent experience includes one of the most complicated projects the firm has ever done, the Holocaust Memorial Center, company officials said. Serving as both project archi-



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In the spotlight

Abby Crippes, (from left), Alexandra Barry and Sabrina Shifter, three future Saberettes perform on stage Friday night at the Plymouth Saberettes Variety Show. The Saberettes performed several pom and dance numbers, and were joined by musical performers and a group of whacky emcees.



Cole

tect and project manager, he coordinated interface between the engineers, exhibit designers and the trades people who constructed a masonry building with power and data video to all exhibits and no exposed conduits. Cole earned a bachelor of science in architecture from Lawrence Technological University and a master's degree in architecture from the University of Michigan. Cole, his wife and daughter live in Plymouth.

Business Honor

McKenna Associates, Inc., a Midwestern community planning, urban design, and landscape architecture consulting firm which serves as Plymouth Township planner, was named one of seven outstanding Michigan-based small businesses for 2004. The company was recognized in the May 24 issue of Crain's Detroit Business.

McKenna Associates provides municipalities with planning, zoning, park design, landscape architecture, market analysis and economic devel-

opment assistance

"The professionals in our community planning and design firm have dedicated nearly 20 years to gain the trust of the public officials in 150+ Midwest municipalities. We have built a successful firm because we provide our community clients with quality planning, and innovative design advice and assistance that results in successful towns, parks, streets, and cities."

Crain's award judges selected McKenna because of its recent business changes and new services in response to the difficult financial challenges facing many municipalities. McKenna developed a new business plan that formulated a seven-person senior leadership team, developed a streamlined communication process, promoted investment in new technology for the latest Geographic Information System (GIS) capabilities, and acquired a creatively successful landscape architecture firm.

Park Meetings

The Plymouth City Commission again takes to the road for its annual tour of meetings in city parks.

It's the fourth year for the summer park meetings, which

commissioner Phil Pursell pointed out "usually have more people than we do all year long at city hall." The meetings are informal and residents are encouraged to bring a lawn chair to enjoy the park and the meetings.

The meeting schedule is Monday, June 7, Kellogg Park, Monday, June 21, Lyons Park at Burroughs and Harding, Tuesday, July 6, Firehouse Park, Spring and Holbrook, Monday, July 19, Garden Club Park, Forest and Sutherland, Monday, Aug. 2, Elm Street Park, Elm and Evergreen, Monday, Aug. 16, Kwanis Park, Auburn and Junction.

All meetings start at 7 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the meetings will be moved to city hall. For more information, call the city, (734) 453-1234.

DAR Meets

The Daughters of the American Revolution, Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter Plymouth-Northville, meet for a sandwich luncheon at noon June 21 at Shirl Hering's home. The program will be on the plans and crafts auction.

For directions to the meeting and more information, call Shirl Hering, (734) 455-5525.

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Plymouth attorney convicted in death of Southfield woman

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

It obviously doesn't do much to ease the pain or bring back his mother, but for Gary Martin of Southgate and the rest of his family the conviction Thursday of the woman accused of killing 89-year-old Southfield resident Sophia Martin brings at least a sense that justice has been done.

Carol Levitte is the Plymouth attorney accused of running a red light on Jan. 21, 2003 and colliding with the car being driven by Martin, who was on the way to the grocery store and to Holy Sepulchre Cemetery to visit the grave of her late husband.

An Oakland County Circuit Court jury Thursday convicted Levitte on one count of negligent homicide, which carries a statutory maximum penalty of

two years in jail. She's scheduled to be sentenced June 29.

She changed our life so dramatically as a family that it doesn't matter what they do to her,' Gary Martin said Friday. "They could give her life in prison and it wouldn't make me feel any better going to the cemetery."

Assistant prosecutor Mike Goetz couldn't be reached for comment Friday. Levitte's attorney, Plymouth lawyer Steve Boak, said Friday he thought the jury had missed the mark.

"Despite the jury's verdict, I maintain there was all sorts of reasonable doubt in this case," Boak said. "But I don't make those decisions, the jury does."

The incident happened at 2:45 p.m. Jan. 21, 2003. Martin was in her 1989 Buick when she tried to turn left from 12 Mile onto Inkster.

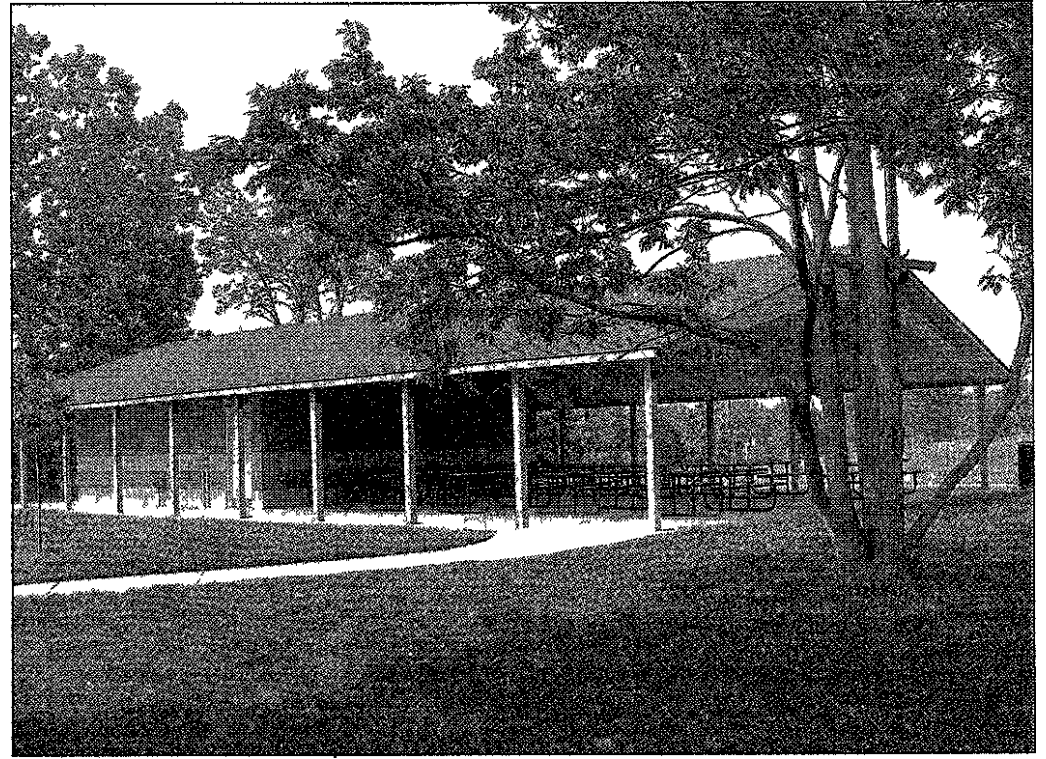
Witnesses said Martin was facing a left-turn light that was green when she attempted the turn. They added it appeared Levitte's vehicle, a 1991 Lincoln moving east on 12 Mile, ran a red light and collided with Martin's car.

Authorities pronounced Martin dead on the scene. Levitte sustained injuries that needed treatment at Royal Oak's Beaumont Hospital for several days. A Southfield police investigation determined Levitte was at fault for the accident.

Boak said Friday he wasn't sure whether Levitte would appeal.

Martin said he was happy to see the verdict come in. "I feel relieved, I'm absolutely happy she was convicted," Martin said. "Justice has been served."

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Lake Pointe Soccer Park's pavilion includes rest rooms, holds some 80 people and is available for rental.

Ceremony kicks off new soccer park

The soccer fields at Lake Pointe Soccer Park aren't ready yet, but many of the features at Plymouth Township's newest recreational facility will be ready to go when the township unveils the park at the official grand opening June 8.

In addition to the two soccer fields, the park features a walking path, a picnic and children's play area and a shelter with rest rooms. The shelter accommodates some 80 people and is available for rental.

Township officials broke ground on the \$12 million park in December 2002.

"Our focus all along has been on recreation," township supervisor Steve Mann said. "We're very excited to add Lake Pointe Soccer Park to the township's list of outstanding recreational facilities."

Mann said the fields wouldn't be ready for play until the Fall 2004 soccer season. "We need the time to make sure there is a good sound field of grass established that will be up to taking the stress of game play," Mann said.



Although Plymouth Township officials dedicate Lake Pointe Soccer Park in a ribbon-cutting ceremony June 8, the fields won't be ready until the Fall 2004 season.

A dedication ceremony is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 8. Lake Pointe Soccer Park is located on Haggerty, just north of Schoolcraft and the M-14 expressway.

Giving it their all

Husband-wife team embrace annual Race for the Cure

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

At the end of last year's annual Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, breast cancer survivor Robin Dahlman didn't stray far.

I've been in the race office since the last race, said the Canton resident who for the first time is this year's volunteer coordinator.

I love the race. This is taking it a step further. It is a true learning experience.



Robin Dahlman (second from left), Race for the Cure volunteer coordinator, her husband Rob, race public safety co-coordinator, their son Ryan and his wife Kelly and family friend Cheryl Jones at last year's Race for the Cure.

Dahlman will welcome volunteers at the 13th Annual Detroit Race Saturday June 6 in Comerica Park. The race, named after Susan G. Komen, who died of breast cancer at the age of 36, is designed to raise awareness of the importance of breast health and to raise money.

A minimum of 25 percent of the net proceeds goes to the Komen Foundation Award and Research Grant Program to fund breast cancer research, meritorious awards and educational and scientific conferences. Up to 75 percent of the net proceeds stay in the local communities to fund breast health education, and breast cancer screening and treatment programs, according to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

Last year's race drew 21,000 men, women and children. As a result of the race, the Komen Foundation was able to fund \$500,000 in local breast cancer programs and \$165,000 for national research, according to the foundation.

Dahlman, who was diagnosed about six years ago, has been in the race each year since. This year she decided to give even more. Her husband, Rob, fire

chief for the city of Wayne, joined her as the race public safety co-chair.

It's sometimes the only time we see each other," Dahlman said.

Recruiting volunteers has become a full-time job. So far, she has 1,000 volunteers for the race. "I've been getting the word out. I have a lot of email."

As a coordinator, Dahlman will not run or walk in the race. She will be headquartered in the volunteer tent, at first checking in all those who have offered their time, and then making sure all goes well.

And when she's not doing that on race day, she will oversee the cheerleaders. Twenty-five cheerleaders will be at the finish line and others - armed with pink pompons and signs of encouragement - will be placed along the route.

"A couple of them are actually high school cheerleaders," Dahlman said.

Though Dahlman will be up to her ears in work, her family will participate, particularly her newborn grandson, Brandon, and his parents, Ryan and Kelly Dahlman. The Race for the

Cure is dear to Dahlman. At age 38, she had a baseline mammogram. Three years later she found two lumps. She was diagnosed with Stage 3 breast cancer.

It is scary. I have no history of any kind in my family. All I knew about cancer was that there are four stages. We didn't know about chemo and radiation.

Six years later, her recent check-up was an all-clear. "That's a huge milestone." She also learned that everyone does not die from breast cancer.

Dahlman embraces Race for the Cure because it allows her to give others hope and to do her part toward finding a cure for the disease. "You get this desire to help other people avoid this."

When she first decided to join the race following her diagnosis, Dahlman figured the event would be depressing. Instead, she found camaraderie, hope and excitement.

"People hug you. They congratulate you."

To volunteer, log on to the Web site at www.karmanos.org/raceforthe-curedetroit/

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Wayne County Sheriff's Office ready to nab drinking boaters

This weekend marks the beginning of boating season in metro Detroit, and the Wayne County Sheriff's Office Marine Division will be on the lookout for boaters who drink.

Sheriff Warren C. Evans is planning an increased crackdown on people who operate recreational watercrafts under the influence of alcohol. It is estimated that half of all boating accidents are alcohol related.

"We want people to have fun this boating season, but above all, we want them to do it safely," said Evans. "I have instructed our marine officers to be

extra vigilant in enforcing alcohol laws on the water."

Under state law, boaters are allowed to drink alcohol, as long as their blood alcohol limit does not exceed 0.10 percent. The legal limit in Michigan for boaters did not go down to 0.08 last October as it did for motorists, however legislation is circulating in Lansing that would bring the legal limit for boaters down to 0.08 percent as well, perhaps later this season.

"The limits may be different, but the penalties are the same," Evans said.

The penalty for a first offense of Operating Under the

Influence of Liquor (OUIL) is a maximum \$500 fine and up to 90 days in jail. A second offense could bring a \$1,000 fine and up to one year in jail or significant community service. A person caught for the third time could face felony charges and possible prison time, Evans said. The Sheriff's Office will have seven boats in its marine division, and will spend much of its time focusing on the county's primary waterway - the Detroit River - including areas of Lake St. Clair at the north end and Lake Erie at the south.

"Patrolling our 38-miles of international waterway has become even more important in recent years for homeland security reasons, but it is still primarily a recreational waterway," Evans said. Nevertheless, Evans said he encourages boaters to serve as additional sets of eyes and ears on the water and to report any suspicious activity to the county or US Coast Guard. "By looking out unusual things such as unoccupied boats near bridges or industrial areas, recreational boaters can help us identify potential threats."

The Marine Division is staffed with seven deputies, specially trained in marine law enforcement and search and

rescue. The unit performs law enforcement duties as well as search and rescue operations, boat livery inspections, boat accident investigations, alcohol enforcement and regatta patrols. Marine officers make about 6,000 stops per year in order to check boat safety.

There are more than 280,000 registered boats in Wayne County, Evans said, each of them represents a potential accident or tragedy if the operators aren't cautious.

Some safety tips Sheriff Evans wants all boaters to know are:

- Though it is not illegal, all occupants of a watercraft

should refrain from consuming alcohol while boating.

- Have enough life jackets for everyone on board and wear them at all times.

- Make sure life jackets fit properly.

- Know your boat's capacity.

- Boats should also be equipped with an adequate fire extinguisher, horn or whistle, lights or signal flares and a floatation device with a line attached.

Information about boater safety is also on the Marine Division web site at www.waynecounty.com/boat-safe.

Gas prices, poor economy will affect summer travel

An estimated 1.1 million Michiganians will travel during the upcoming Memorial Day weekend, launching the start of the 2004 summer travel season, says a recent AAA Michigan travel survey. Based on the survey of 400 state residents, AAA estimates 4.1 million Michiganians plan to travel sometime this summer.

Thirty-eight percent of those planning a trip this Memorial Day said changes in gasoline prices will affect their travel plans, a substantial increase over last year (15 percent) and the highest percentage since 2000 when record gas prices were established in June.

Based on AAA Travel Agency booking activity, online trip routings and inquiries to AAA branches and call centers for maps, TourBook guides and TripTik routings, the Auto

Club projects a 2 percent increase in Michigan summer tourism volumes in 2004.

Among those not planning a Memorial Day trip this year, the most commonly cited reasons are the economy and personal vacation time or vacation costs.

Nine percent of those with Memorial Day travel plans said they planned to go by air, compared to 15 percent last year. Seventy-eight percent of Memorial Day holiday travelers expect to travel more than 100 miles and 27 percent plan to leave Michigan.

"The survey results suggest that the economy and high gas prices continue to affect domestic travel plans," said Cathy Green, vice president of Sales and Service to The Auto Club Group. "Despite these deterrents, when we look


beyond Memorial Day to the summer travel season, we've seen a strong increase relative to 2003, particularly with cruises and with international travel."

Green added that international tours booked by AAA Travel Agency were up 26 percent over the previous year in April and cruise sales were up 45 percent for the same period.

For state residents planning a summer vacation in Michigan, the five most popular driving destinations are: 1) Mackinaw City, 2) Traverse City, 3) Ludington, 4) Sault Ste. Marie and 5) St. Ignace (based on 2003 AAA TripTik requests).

Michiganians leaving the state by vehicle prefer: 1) Niagara Falls, 2) Chicago, 3) Orlando, 4) Indianapolis, and 5) Atlanta.

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WSDP radio station hands out annual honors

WSDP 88.1-FM, the student-run radio station serving Plymouth-Canton Schools, celebrated a successful year with its annual Honor Banquet, the primary focus of which was honoring graduating seniors and scholarship winners.

Station officials handed out three annual scholarships.

■ **The Bonnie Dore/WSDP Founder's Scholarship**, recognizing dedication to the station and desire to pursue a broadcasting career, went to Canton senior Brian Smith, who served on the staff for more than three years, serving most recently as program director. Smith will study broadcasting at Michigan State University.

■ **The Jeffrey L. Cardinal Scholarship**, which recognizes dedication to the station over four years, went to Salem senior Allie Sturk, who joined the station as a freshman and is the music/sports director. She'll study elementary education at Michigan State University.

■ **The John Seidelman Scholarship**, named after the station's longtime advisor and which recognizes dedication to the station and academic success, went to Salem senior Steve Portell, who joined the station at the end of eighth grade and is currently assistant program director. He'll continue

his studies in film and photography at Columbia College in Chicago.

Patty Williamson, a 1988 graduate of Salem High School who teaches broadcasting and performance at Central Michigan University, was the guest speaker.

Other honors handed out included:

■ **Graduating seniors** — Sturk, Portell, Smith, Mark Donaldson of Salem, Moussa Faraj of Canton and Clair Pearl of Salem.

■ **Staff Awards** — Mark Donaldson of Salem, Most Improved DJ, Kurt Edelbrock and Steve Portell of Salem, best DJ, Brian Smith of Canton, Best News, Allie Sturk of Salem, Best Sports, Brandon Allen of Plymouth, Best Production, Mark Maletic of Salem, Best Newcomer, Scott Decker and Brian Smith of Canton, Most Valuable Person.

■ **Directors Awards** — Brandon Allen of Plymouth, Production, Moussa Faraj of Canton and Mark Donaldson of Salem, Programming, Nikeisha Nelson of Salem and Scott Decker of Canton, Promotions, Lauren Hostler of Salem and WSDP assistant manager Lew Perrotta, Music, Lew Perrotta, Fund-Raising.

SOLDIER

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a lot to do with me joining the Air Force, he wrote. 'He was in the Air Force and a Vietnam vet. He kind of steered me in the right direction.'

I really have to thank him for that. I can't imagine having a better life than I do now, Adams said.

Adams has been stationed in Iraq, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia at various times since joining the Air Force. When asked about the dangers of fighting for his country overseas, Adams wrote, 'I think that everyone recognizes there are people out there with the intent of causing us harm. It is our responsibility to ensure that they are defeated, and take the necessary precautions to prevent their ability to carry out these actions.'

The flag arrived inconspicuously at City Hall one morning, wrapped in a plain brown envelope. City Manager Paul Sincok said the return address, from Italy, caused him to wonder.

As I was tearing open the package, I had no clue as to what would be inside," said Sincok. "I was really surprised to see the American flag with the note of authenticity from Mr. Adams."

"It was certainly nice of him to remember us," added Sincok. "The flag will serve as a reminder to us of him and the troops who are fighting for our freedom."

Adams' mother, Patricia Warner of Plymouth, said she



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Plymouth City Manager Paul Sincok holds the flag and a certificate of authenticity sent by Air Force Master Sgt Shannon Adams, a Plymouth resident currently stationed in Iraq.

also received a flag flown over Iraq from her son.

"When I saw the flag and the certificate that came with it, it evoked quite a bit of emotion," Warner said. "I am very proud of him."

"I write e-mail to him, but he can't share certain things," she said. "When you have a child, no matter what their age, when they are in a situation where there's the possibility of danger or physical harm to them you always are concerned."

Warner said despite the fact her son has been away from home since graduating high

school nearly 20 years ago, his heart has always been in Plymouth.

"I know as long as he's been in the military, he still considers Plymouth home," she said.

In his e-mail, Adams said he has fond memories of growing up in the heart of the city.

"From my house on Ann Street, I could walk into town, hang out in Kellogg Park or do any number of things downtown," Adams wrote.

"Plymouth was such a wonderful place to grow up that it was hard to believe it was real."

Joe Burman, co-chair of

Monday's Memorial Day Parade in downtown Plymouth, said the flag will be part of this year's activities, and positioned on the stage where dignitaries will speak in Kellogg Park.

Adams said he sent the American flag to Plymouth because "it's the one symbol that binds us all."

"I love my country more than at any other time before," wrote Adams. "I appreciate how good life can be, what America is all about. And, and that's worth fighting for, and if needed, to die for."

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As you may know, fibromyalgia is a condition characterized by widespread pain. Both your doctor and yourself can readily slip into the habit of attributing any discomfort or change to this diagnosis. In most instances that assumption is likely correct, but not always.

Certain changes are in keeping with fares of fibromyalgia. Such features include increasing intensity of the pain in the usual areas such as the neck, back, shoulders and legs. Worsening or obtaining a good night's sleep or more headaches during the day are also in keeping with a changing pattern of fibromyalgia activity.

However, weight loss is not, nor is the onset of fevers over 100.5 F. Other changes that can not be ascribed to fibromyalgia are a change in your pattern of fatigue, the onset of stomach pains after eating, or intense back pain at night.

In other instances your doctor may have difficulty in determining if your experience of new problems indicates fibromyalgia or is something else. A good example is if you develop chest pain. Such pain as costochondritis comes and goes in fibromyalgia; other patterns of chest pain are not so readily explained.

When your doctor is undecided, he may make use of certain laboratory tests to confirm his suspicion as to the cause of your pain. Tests that are useful include the sedimentation rate, the CRP test. These often reflect the degree of inflammation present in your body.

Living with fibromyalgia is difficult. At times both for you and your doctor deciding what is and is not fibromyalgia is even harder.

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CHURCH

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Church is so well-liked by others in the district, there was even a group of teachers who attended Tuesday's school board meeting to applaud when her appointment was announced. That's pretty much unprecedented.

Barbara just has a very thoughtful, considerate approach to everything she does," said Debra MacGregor, a fourth-grade teacher at Miller, who has known Church for 19 years. She thinks things over before she acts and speaks, and has a very open-minded attitude to people's ideas. She doesn't reach a conclusion before asking for input.

In the beginning of her career, becoming involved in education seemed far from Church's future. After earning a degree in biochemistry and physiology at McGill University in Montreal, Church spent five

As assistant superintendent of instruction, Barbara Church will help align the K-12 curriculum with state standards and coordinate the professional development of teachers.

weeks on a Norwegian freighter washing dishes and earning \$125 so she could get to Europe. After two years abroad, where she taught in Scotland and worked in a German aluminum factory, Church eventually ended up in Plymouth, married and raising a family.

As a young mother, Church worked as a part-time aide, operating the ditto machine at Gallimore Elementary. I made

copies in a back room that wasn't well-ventilated, so I floated around a lot," she jokingly said.

After a year as a library aide at Pioneer Middle School, Church decided it was more fun working with children than the humdrum world of biochemistry and physiology. So, it was on to getting a teaching degree.

Church was a teacher, curriculum coordinator for math and science, an assistant high school principal and principal at Central Middle School before leaving for Clarenceville.

As assistant superintendent of instruction, Church will help align the K-12 curriculum with state standards and coordinate the professional development of teachers. True to her reputation of listening, Church said her first duty will be to find out from others what works, and what doesn't, before making any decisions.

"I want to gather information from teachers about what they see are the really good things they want me to support, she said, and where there are

problem areas and how to fix them. The people in the buildings, the principals and teachers, have a good sense of what is good and not so good."

Church doesn't see anything wrong with teaching to the MEAP tests to improve student achievement.

"The Michigan benchmarks are generally appropriate, therefore MEAP gives a good measure of how well we are teaching and students are learning," said Church. "If the curriculum is appropriate, and the teachers show they have the strategy and skills to teach it effectively, students will do well on the MEAPs."

Church will take over the duties currently being handled by Verna Ambie, the executive director of instructional services. After seven years in Plymouth-Canton, Ambie will be retiring this summer. However, Ryan said she will be a consultant through December.

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Sad-sack Tigers finally beginning to offer hope

Something is happening that hasn't happened for years. Slowly, cautiously, people are hesitatingly beginning to not only think about but even talk about them again, even in public.

We are talking, of course, about the Detroit Tigers, the city's once-mighty baseball team. Someplace deep down in the Motown psyche, Detroit is a baseball town, always has been, maybe always will be. Yes, the football team, the Lions, moved back to the city from the suburbs a few years ago. Yes, the Detroit Red Wings are always in contention for the Stanley Cup.

Yes, the Pistons are still in the playoffs. But forget all that. The Detroit Tigers seem — gasp! — on the verge of becoming respectable again.

Last year, they were not just the worst in the league. They were the worst that has ever been in the American League, just one notch short of tying the all-time record for losses. They were nearly as bad as the year before.

Not only were they horrible, they weren't even interesting. There were no characters like Mark "The Bird" Fidrych, no fading sluggers like Willie Horton who at least could deliver a mammoth home run from time to time. Nothing.

Attendance dwindled. They fell off the front pages of even the local sports section. Hall of Fame broadcaster Ernie Harwell's retirement at the end of 2002 ended many people's last reason to keep listening.

It was as if there was a hole in the city's athletic heart. Then, this winter, Mike Ilitch, the pizza baron who rebuilt the Detroit Red Wings while presiding over a decade of disaster with the Tigers, opened his wallet to sign star catcher Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez, for \$10 million a year, plus star left fielder Rondell White and a few other respectable, if less glamorous, free agents.

Fans remained skeptical. They'd been fooled before. But an amazing thing happened. The Tigers won not only on Opening Day, when they shut out Toronto. They went on to win their first four games. When you consider that they started 0-11 and 0-6 their last two years, that was an awesome performance.

People started trickling back to the ballpark. Attendance officially has increased from 319,000 to 409,000, but in reality has ballooned by more than that. The American League counts tickets sold, including season packages, not people in the stands. Last year, there was little reason to come.

As the season blossomed slugger Dmitri Young got hurt, and the pitching was still

dicey, but last week they were hovering around 500. When you consider that last year they were 9-34, the improvement seems miraculous.

People are talking about them again," said Harwell, who thinks he has detected a resurgence of interest. In part, he thinks this is because of affection for Alan Trammell, the longtime Tigers star who is in his second year as manager, and a staff of coaches that includes two other veterans of the Tigers 1984 World Series team, Lance Parrish and Kirk Gibson.

"Even when they lose, they are interesting, and they are in every game to the end," said Sonny Elot, Detroit's legendary weatherman who has been a part of Opening Day ceremonies since at least the 1960s.

Novi native Jennifer Sullivan, 29, has a framed jersey signed by Trammell, who she worshiped as a 9-year-old. She hasn't been to a game in years, "but I definitely want to go this year. I'm starting to pay attention again," she said.

Nobody is looking for a pennant this year. Nobody is even dreaming of the playoffs, which makes it a bit easier to woo back the fans. "Their aim doesn't have to be too high," Harwell notes. Ernie thinks the team will win perhaps 70-75 games out of 162 this season. That would be a dreary showing for most teams.

But after last year's 43-119 season, even coming close to breaking even may be enough to win back the hearts and minds of disappointed Detroiters.

They have reason to feel hurt. The Tigers haven't had a winning season in a decade. That is their longest dry spell in history. During that time, fans have endured a nasty strike, controversy over a new stadium, and an ever-shifting roster of nobodies. Things like that put a strain on a marriage.

But the Tigers and Detroit have been together through two world wars and two riots, from streetcars to motor cars, from Ty Cobb to Al Kaline, and since before anyone heard of Henry Ford. Bonds like that aren't easily broken.

So far this year, they are being repaired. That's not hard when expectations are so low. This year, their aim doesn't have to be too high, Harwell said.

Next year, the public may be more demanding. But it seems safe to say that's one problem the team, and their town, would very much like to have.

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Whether or not we support war, we must always support troops

As many of you know, I come from a family that has always believed in public service. My dad was the Mayor of the City of Detroit when I was growing up. My uncle, Mike, is a Michigan Supreme Court Justice, and one of my brothers is a judge. One of my sisters is a social worker, another is a teacher.

No matter how dedicated we are to the positions we hold, our lives are seldom in danger and we get home practically every day, maybe not in time for supper, but we sleep in our own beds at night. I cannot imagine what it would be like to be away from home and all the people who love and accept me, and at the same time facing the dangers and horrors of war.

On Sunday, May 30, I will have the honor to speak at a ceremony in Garden City and pay tribute to the brave men and women who have served in our armed forces. Many local residents served in Vietnam, Korea and in World War II. To all of those who protected our shores, airspace and homeland, I say, "thank you."

To the families of those who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom, I say, "may God bless you."

Sometimes, it isn't easy to be an American. Sometimes, it can be hard work. Freedom is a fleeting thing. It must be nurtured, practiced, respected, and protected. It is the United States Military that protects our rights and perpetuates them.

We are a unique nation, a melting pot of races, nationalities and religions. We have come together under one flag to share the basic free-

doms of speech, assembly, and religion. The image of our flag is one that has always fueled our spirit and called us together.

The photographs of the Iwo Jima flag-raising in World War II and the flag wrapped casket of President Kennedy may make us sad, but they also make us proud. But the flag hanging on the penetrated wall of the Pentagon and those flown in and around ground zero in New York City became a call to unity that my generation had never before experienced.

We felt the horror and disbelief that must have followed Pearl Harbor. We felt violated and knew that our freedom was being threatened. All of us had become complacent and overly secure in our existence and the resulting feelings of vulnerability were frightening.

Here at home, we have become vigilant. We live everyday now knowing that it could happen again. Perhaps where we least expect an attack, at a time that is unthinkable.

Now, we are at war. Whether we, as individuals, agree or disagree with the aggressive action of our nation, we cannot fail to support the young men and women, our sons and daughters, neighbors, teachers, doctors, professional soldiers and National Guardsmen. They are entitled to our respect and deserve our prayers.

In the heat of the political season, we must not lose sight of their commitment and their sacrifice.

Memorial Day is not just for remembering the soldiers, sailors and flyers who have gone before us, it is a day to honor those who are among us and who are stationed all over the world protecting our freedom and ensuring the peace. May God bring them home to us soon.

Phil Cavanagh is the Wayne County commissioner for the communities of Garden City, Dearborn Heights and Redford Township.



Jack Lessenberry



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LETTERS

Children left behind

The most ignorant piece of legislation put out by the Bush administration is the "No Child Left Behind" edict. As noted by columnist William Raspberry, it does not take into account the failure of irresponsible parents to prepare their children for an education.

Our legislators and Secretary of Education Paige must not have any idea of the conditions in some school districts. Some

schools have laundry facilities to wash the clothes of children that, continually, come to school dirty, due to derelict parents into drugs and laziness.

Education is not a priority for many children — it is survival — to cope with everyday living! Legislators should be enlightened to know many teachers and administrators spend their own time and money buying clothes and

school supplies for pupils, providing money and transportation to camps, and other things parents cannot or won't do.

When children's everyday needs are met, then, most can be educated. Realistically, this will never happen. Under these conditions, it is both arrogant and ignorant to expect 100 percent student achievement.

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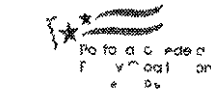
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Mitch Hosch had two run-scoring hits in Salem's 10-8 win over Walled Lake Central Wednesday

Rockets down Salem

Two big innings, a four-run second and a five-run fourth, propelled Salem to a 10-8 victory over Walled Lake Central Wednesday in a Western Lakes Activities Association baseball makeup game played at Salem.

The Rocks offense abandoned them on Thursday, however Livonia Churchill right-hander Andy Guzik turned in his third-straight quality start, pitching a complete-game three-hitter in a 5-0 WLAA crossover win over the host Rocks.

Guzik walked two and struck out two as Churchill improved to 13-16 with the victory, while Salem falls to 15-12 overall, 10-4 in the WLAA.

"For Andy it's a matter of keeping the ball down and changing speeds," Churchill coach Ron Targosz said. "He had good location and our defense held up. They played well behind him."

Steve Merlo went 2-for-3 with an RBI single in Churchill's four-run sixth inning to help put it away.

Taylor Younce, Jordan Mkrumian and Anthony Carozza each added run-scoring singles during the surge.

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Sidelines

Division champs

The Sandtraps on 5, a bowling foursome whose home base is Plymouth, made their trip to the 85th annual Womens International Bowling Congress Championship Tournament, in Wichita, Kan., a successful one by capturing the Division One title last week.

Leana Mayberry, Kathy MacDonald, Robin Lemmon and Lynn Cole recorded a pinfall of 2,699 to edge runner-up Who Knows, from Las Vegas, by 10 pins.

Competition in Division One is for women with averages between 170 and 189.

Warriors No. 1

The Plymouth/Canton Warriors lacrosse team completed their regular season with a 12-2 triumph over Northville, clinching the Division 4 title and giving them the No. 1 seed - with home-field advantage - going into the playoffs.

The Warriors improved to 13-4 overall, 10-1 in division play. Northville is 5-10 overall, 5-6 in the division.

John Moylan paced Plymouth/Canton offensively with four goals and two assists. Bobby Groat contributed two goals, Tim Farrow had one goal and one assist, and Phil Lake, Mitch French, Jared Ruark, Chris Gould and Tom Casha each got one goal.

Other assists went to Jeff Lake and goalie Chris Sorenson, who turned in another solid performance in the net. Northville goals were scored by Mike Bernabei and Andy Meile.

Just who the Warriors will be playing in their first playoff game is uncertain, but the match is scheduled for 6 p.m. Tuesday at Heritage Park.

Bucks win again

The Michigan Bucks remained unbeaten on their Premier Development League soccer season after blanking the Toledo Slayers 3-0 in front of 333 fans Wednesday night at Berkley's Hurley Field.

Mychal Turpin opened the scoring when he buried his second goal of the season in the 31st minute. The Bucks would carry the 1-0 lead into the 82nd minute when Turpin tallied his second.

Bucks leading scorer Knox Cameron assisted on both of Turpin's goals, then in the 90th minute, he added his six goal of the season to give Michigan their third win in four games.

The Bucks will take the field again on Saturday, June 5 at Hurley Field against PDL rival, the Chicago Fire Reserves. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

Wildcat football

The Plymouth Wildcats football coaching staff will hold a mandatory parents meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room 401 of Plymouth HS. The meeting is for all parents of current and incoming freshmen football players.

Chiefs rule in WLAA boys track

The dominance Canton displayed at the state regional five days earlier wasn't quite equaled at the Western Lakes Activities Association Boys Track Final Wednesday at Canton.

But it very nearly was. The Chiefs won 'just' five events - at the regional, they won seven - but the end result was the same - a runaway, Canton rolling up 184 points to easily outdistance runner-up Northville's 137. Livonia Stevenson was an impressive third with 116.5, followed by Livonia Churchill in fourth with 108.5 (see statistical summary).

"We scored more points than we did

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in the regional, more than we ever scored at the league meet," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "Maybe the most ever scored."

"They had a lot of races in the last two weeks, and the kids were still able to come up with a big meet."

The difference, according to Richardson, was easily identifiable. "Our depth. We had three guys place (in the top eight) in the pole vault, two in the high jump, three in the 110 hurdles, two in the 300 hurdles, two in the 100 and the 200. That's what works."

"You have to place more than one in each event."

The conference title was Canton's third in the last four years. The reason for that kind of dominance is also easily identifiable.

"The guys are proud, especially our seniors," Richardson said. "They've won the championship three of four years and they've won 20 of 21 dual meets in that time."

"It's a tribute to the kids who learned from the older kids and keep passing it on. It's a rotation."

While Canton's depth carried it to another league crown, Stevenson's success - particularly in the relays - was more unexpected. The Spartans collected first-place finishes in three of them, capturing the 4x100 meter, 4x400 meter and 4x800 meter.

"The 4x100 was a bit of a surprise because we've got a young group," said Stevenson coach Scott Shaw. "But they've been working on their handoffs

PLEASE SEE TRACK, B2

Spartans dominate WLAA; Rocks 3rd

To nobody's surprise, Division I regional champion Livonia Stevenson returned Wednesday to the Canton High School track venue to win the Western Lakes Activities Association girls meet.

The Spartans captured four individual events and three relay races to score a team-high 179 points, once again finishing ahead of regional runner-up Livonia Churchill, which scored 125.5. Salem took third with 81.5 and Northville finished fourth with 58.5. See complete results.

The Spartans, who won their ninth meet of the season, recorded a season-best time in the 3,200-meter relay as Kelly Gibbons, Amber Cicala, Kristen Frey and Heather Sirko were clocked in 9:36.6.

Stevenson's 800 relay team of Alison Collins, twins Linda and Lisa Montgomery, along with Elizabeth Sturdy, also took first in 1:47.5. The

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Spartans capped off the meet by winning the 1,600 relay in 4:07.9 behind the efforts of Collins, the Montgomery twins and Amanda Sculthorpe.

Individual firsts were garnered by Jenny Perkins in the pole vault (9 feet, 6 inches), Kaitlin Armstrong, 100 hurdles (16:07), Lisa Montgomery, 800 (2:21.43), and Heather Sirko, 3,200 (11:19.45).

"We did a few different things for this meet and so did Churchill," said Stevenson first-year coach Kelly Graham, who coached for 17 years at Churchill and guided the Chargers to the 2003 WLAA crown. "We used Liz Sturdy in both the 100 and 200 and she got points (both fourths), and Collins in the 400 (sixth) where she placed."

"We're kind of excited about the state meet (June 5 at Rockford) because our

800 relay team is in the fast heat and we're sixth in the 3,200 (relay). We might be able to move up in the 1,600 relay, too. And Heather (Sirko) should be right up there, too."

Churchill also had several outstanding showings led by thrower Nia Henderson, who repeated as WLAA champ as she swept the shot put (41-7.5) and discus (129-3).

Other Churchill wins came in the 300 hurdles (Rebecca Fedrigo) and 200 (Alyse White).

Westland John Glenn, sixth in the team standings, was led by sprinter Tom'ia White, who captured the 100 in 12.27, and Brittany Howard, who won the long jump (17-6.5).

The two teamed up with Shalanda Webb and Stephanie Foster to win the 400 relay (49:82).

Livonia Franklin sophomore Alyssa Supplee cleared 5-3 to win the high jump.

Warriors top Rocks; Chiefs beat Vikings

Getting there was difficult enough. Staying with Walled Lake Western, the state's second-ranked team, for five innings was an accomplishment in itself.

But in the end, that's all Salem's softball team could manage. The Rocks surrendered five late runs and with them the championship of the Western Lakes Activities Association with a 7-0 loss at Western Thursday.

The defending WLAA champs, who clinched the Lakes Division title with an extra-inning win over Walled Lake Central Tuesday, slipped to 18-9 with the loss.

Lauren Talbot was the winning pitcher for the Warriors. Keli Szczepanski took the loss for Salem.

The Rocks trailed 2-0 until the fifth inning, when a combination of Salem errors and Western's hitting led to their downfall.

Salem returns to action Saturday when it hosts the state district tournament. The Rocks meet Novi at 10 a.m., with Canton playing the winner of the South Lyon-Northville game at noon. The championship game is scheduled for 2 p.m. at Salem.

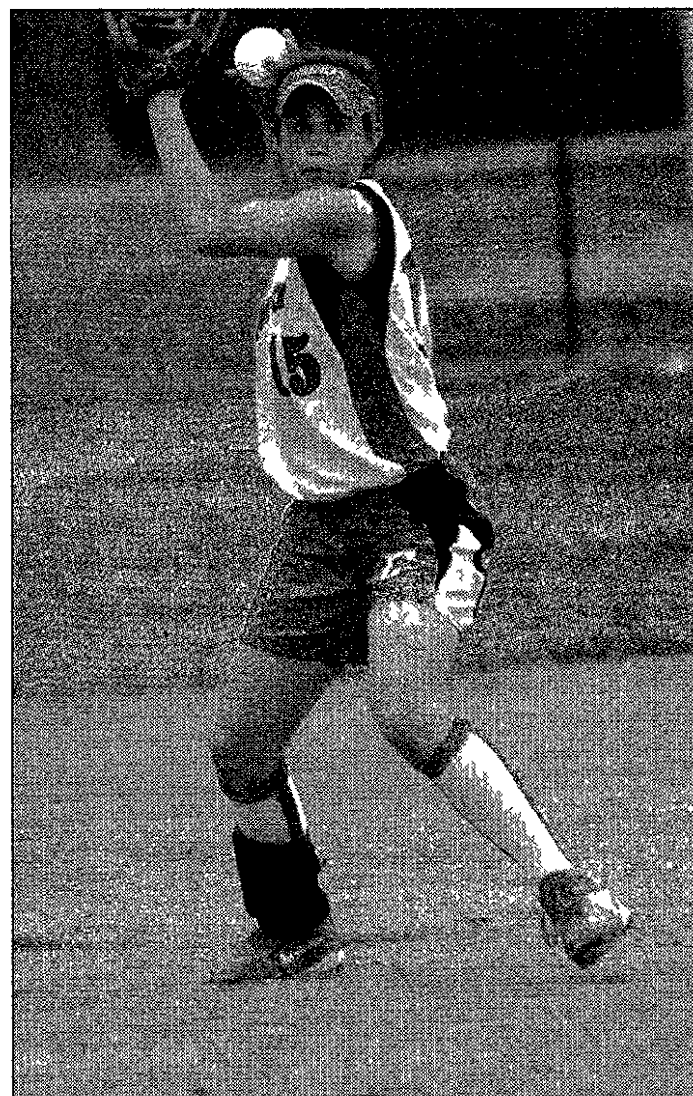
Canton 6, Churchill 2: Pitcher Molly Conlon fanned 12, allowing five hits and no walks Wednesday to pace the Chiefs to a WLAA-Western Division triumph over host Livonia Churchill.

Canton improved to 17-7-1 overall, finishing 6-2 and in second place in the Western Division. Churchill is 17-11 overall, 3-5 in the division.

Losing pitcher Bridget Long gave up eight hits and walked six. She had six strikeouts.

Heather Richardson and Kelly Baker each had two hits and two RBI for the Chiefs, with Loren Delapaz adding two hits and one run batted in. A four-run second inning keyed the Canton win.

Cat Sidor went 3-for-3 with a double to lead Churchill.



Lauren Delapaz turned in a strong game defensively at shortstop for Canton, and had two hits and an RBI at the plate.

BOYS TRACK RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION BOYS TRACK
May 19 at Canton HS
Team standings 1 Canton 184 2 Northville 137 3 Livonia Stevenson 116 5 4 Livonia Churchill 108 5 5 Walled Lake Western 95 6 Salem 43 5 7 Walled Lake Central 31 8 Livonia Franklin 29 9 Wayne Memorial 18 10 Westland John Glenn 11 11 Plymouth 4 5 12 Walled Lake Northern 4

Field events
Pole vault: 1 Ryan Santa (LC) 12 feet 6.3 inches 2 Bill Breslin (LC) 12 6 2 3 Jon Chapman (C) 12 6 4 (tie) Rich Hensel (C) Derek Reeves (C) 12 0 6 Mark Chrzanowski (WLC) 11 6 7 (tie) Jayson Wurtzbacher (S) Aaron Reamy (LC) 11 0
Shot put: 1 Jarid Pearson (WLV) 49 3 2 Charles Cannon (LC) 46 10 3 Chris Snider (C) 45 4 2 5 Geoff Leskie (LS) 44 5 5 Phillip Rocker (LC) 44 5 6 Tony Morelli (LC) 43 2 7 Jon Whaley (LF) 42 7 2 8 Ike Mbanugo (S) 42 3
Discus: 1 Cannon (LC) 150 5 5 2 Brad Waidmann (C) 141 6 3 Mbanugo (S) 137 6 4 Ken Scaleh (N) 136 9 5 Eric Getkin (JG) 132 9 5 6 Andrew Jaworski (N) 129 9 7 Joe Zugaj (C) 128 8 8 Devin Sall (LC) 125 6
High Jump: 1 Waidmann (C) 6 2 2 Joe Mielke (LF) 6 2 3 Alan Shanoski (N) 6 2 4 Matt Graham (LF) 6 0 5 Mike Lanus (C) 5 9 6 (tie) Cam Scharchburg (P) Nick Reed (LS) 5 9 8 Joe Gonzalez (LS) 5 8
Long jump: 1 Bill Brown (N) 21 9 7 2 Julian Smith (C) 21 2 7 3 John Mitchell (LS)

2115 4 Mielke (LF) 2115 5 Briar Rumao (S) 20 9 25 6 Trevor Hearn (LS) 20 4 5 7 Scott Hammerle (N) 20 4 8 Ian Givens (LF) 19 1

Track events
110 meter hurdles: 1 Rodney Preston (C) 15 15 2 Smith (C) 15 17 3 Momchl Filev (N) 15 17 4 Ross Farquhar (LC) 15 21 5 Waidmann (C) 15 35 6 Matt Kappler (S) 15 68 7 Tim Chew (S) 16 42 8 Bryan Anderson (LC) 17 98
300 hurdles: 1 Filev (N) 39 85 2 Preston (C) 40 87 3 Farquhar (LC) 41 57 4 Mitchell (LS) 42 15 5 Corey Stewart (C) 42 25 6 Chew (S) 42 46 7 Tim Phillips (P) 43 47 8 Aaron Anselment (LC) 43 58
100 dash: 1 Aaron Lawson (WLV) 10 84 2 Erik George (LC) 10 89 3 Devin Thomas (C) 10 92 4 Brandon Reeves (C) 11 09 5 Brown (N) 11 11 6 James Gtiller (WLV) 11 16 7 Matt Smitherman (JG) 11 54 8 Matt Bombard (WLC) 11 63
200 1/4 mile: 1 Thomas (C) 22 45 2 Darnian Miller (WM) 22 68 3 Nana Adamako (LS) 22 91 4 Brown (N) 23 20 5 B Reeves (C) 23 66 6 Gtiller (WLV) 23 89 7 Rick Rhodes (WLC) 28 24 8 Lawson (WLV) 30 00
400: 1 Andy Rossow (C) 50 76 2 Rob Steiner (N) 51 02 3 Collin Hall (LS) 51 94 4 T Hearn (LS) 52 16 5 Cyrus Azzi (C) 52 34 6 Brandon Kneefel (LS) 52 61 7 Kyle Barden (WLC) 52 62 8 Shanoski (N) 52 71
800: 1 Keith Hearn (LS) 15 77 2 Joe Horka (LC) 15 86 3 Tim Dalton (N) 20 05 2 4 Rob Steiner (N) 2 03 08 5 Jesse Brodak (WLV) 2 03 24 6 Kneefel (LS) 2 04 07 7 Kevin Whitaker (WLC) 2 04 24 8 Colin Kerfer (N) 2 05 69
1600: 1 Neal Naughton (WLV) 4 28 76 2 Andrew Moore (N) 4 35 78 3 Jason Turnbull (N) 4 36 74 4 Todd Bowmar (WLV) 4 37 11 5 Sean Maxwell (WLC) 4 38 07 6 Matt Rzepka (LS) 4 44 54 7 Scott George (C) 4 46 14 8 James Walsh (S) 4 46 50
3200: 1 Naughton (WLV) 9 52 51 2 Jeff Appinal (WLV) 9 58 77 3 Tim Howse (LC) 9 59 26 4 Connor Schultz (LC) 10 06 33 5 Phil Watkins (WLC) 10 11 36 6 Turnbull (N) 10 13 00 7 Dan Kapadia (S) 10 25 24 8 Walsh (S) 10 25 88
4x100 relay: 1 Stevenson (Adamako Greg Wilson Kevin Murawski Brian Chandler) 44 38 2 Canton 44 49 3 Western 44 84 4 Northville 44 92 5 John Glenn 45 50 6 Salem 46 15 7 Franklin 46 42 8 Churchill 46 75
4x200 relay: 1 Canton (Rossow B Reeves David Cahille Thomas) 1 31 24 2 Stevenson 1 31 38 3 Wayne 1 34 26 4 Central 1 34 82 5 Western 1 35 43 6 Northville 1 35 44 7 Salem 1 35 51 8 Northern 1 35 77
4x400 relay: 1 Stevenson (T Hearn Kneefel Hall K Hearn) 3 24 45 2 Northville 3 25 36 3 Canton 3 31 14 4 Salem 3 31 51 5 Central 3 35 26 6 Northville 3 38 11 7 Franklin 3 40 08 8 Churchill 3 43 06
4x800 relay: 1 Stevenson (Rzepka Kneefel Hall K Hearn) 8 15 34 2 Northville 8 21 06 3 Western 8 22 09 4 Salem 8 23 67 5 Churchill 8 29 10 6 Central 8 47 22 7 Canton 8 52 46 8 John Glenn 9 07 56

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 all season They just put it together ' Stevenson's Nana Adomako, Greg Wilson, Kevin Murawski and Brian Chandler edged Canton's Julian Smith, Brandon Reeves, David Cahille and Devin Thomas, 44 38 to 44 49 The Spartans also surprised in the 4x800 relay, with Matt Rzepka, Brandon Kneefel, Collin Hall and Keith Hearn winning in 9 15 34, nearly six seconds ahead of runner-up Northville "That was their first time running it together," noted Shaw But even with wins in

three relays and a first by Hearn in the 800 (1 57 75), the Spartans could not catch Canton The Chiefs got wins from Brad Waidmann in the high jump (6-foot, 2-inches), Devin Thomas in the 200 (22 45), Rodney Preston in the 110 hurdles (15 15), Andy Rossow in the 400 (50 76) and their 4x200 team of Rossow, Reeves, Cahille and Thomas (1 31 24) The meet produced just one double-winner in individual events Neal Naughton of Walled Lake Western, who finished first in both the 1,600 (4 28 26) and the 3,200 (9 52 51) There were several athletes

who had a first and a second, like Waidmann (second in the discus, 141-6), Preston (second in the 300 hurdles, 40 87) and Livonia Churchill's Charles Cannon, who was first in the discus (150-5 5) and second in the shot put (46-10) Churchill had one other winner Ryan Santa in the pole vault (12-6 3) For most, this meet marked the end of the season Canton, however, remained busy, traveling to the state team finals Saturday at Ypsilanti HS Several Chiefs will compete at the Meet of Champions in Ann Arbor on Wednesday, then at the state finals in Rockford Saturday

BEST BOYS TRACK PERFORMANCES

OBSERVER'S BEST BOYS TRACK TIMES (through May 24)	110-meter hurdles	800-meter run
Shot put	Bill Makela (Redford CC) 147	Keith Hearn (Stevenson) 155 9
Jon Smart (Redford CC) 50 9	Rodney Preston (Canton) 15 0	Joe Horka (Churchill) 157 4
Paul Stradtner (Garden City) 48 5	Ross Farquhar (Churchill) 15 2	Matt Patra (Redford Union) 2 01 0
Nick Barrett (Redford CC) 48 4	Julian Smith (Canton) 15 2	Rece Cox (John Glenn) 2 01 3
Dan Haller (Luth Westland) 47 5 25	Brad Waidmann (Canton) 15 4	David Lucas (Redford CC) 2 03 0
Phil Rocker (Churchill) 47 5	Bryan Anderson (Churchill) 15 5	Brandon Kneefel (Stevenson) 2 04 1
Chuck Cannon (Churchill) 46 11 25	Brad Zymontowicz (Redford CC) 15 6	Joe Crist (Salem) 2 04 9
Chris Snider (Canton) 46 4 25	Matt Kappler (Salem) 15 6	Collin Hall (Stevenson) 2 05 0
Patrick Higgins (Luth Westland) 46 3 25	Tim Chew (Salem) 16 1	Eric Kehoe (Luth Westland) 2 05 0
Matt Sheleiks (Redford Union) 46 1	300-meter hurdles	Max Working (Redford CC) 2 05 9
John Franchi (Redford CC) 45 11	Bill Makela (Redford CC) 38 8	1,600-meter run
Discus	Rodney Preston (Canton) 39 9	Dave Lucas (Redford CC) 4 26 0
Paul Stradtner (Garden City) 175 5	Brad Zymontowicz (Redford CC) 41 0	Max Working (Redford CC) 4 31 0
Nick Barrett (Redford CC) 157 2	Ross Farquhar (Churchill) 41 2	Alex Lumley (Salem) 4 36 6
Chuck Cannon (Churchill) 157 0	Corey Stewart (Canton) 41 5	Dan Horgan (Redford CC) 4 38 5
Brad Waidmann (Canton) 152 7	Zach Zrull (Redford CC) 42 2	Matt Rzepka (Stevenson) 4 38 6
Brian Nakoneczny (Stevenson) 150 3	John Mitchell (Stevenson) 42 2	Matt Patra (Redford Union) 4 38 9
Ryan Danescu (Redford CC) 146 8	Tim Chew (Salem) 42 7	Keith Hearn (Stevenson) 4 41 9
Ike Mbanugo (Salem) 140 11	Michael Duffield (Churchill) 42 8	Marc Sanders (Churchill) 4 42 0
Eric Getkin (John Glenn) 136 15	Jon Zerebiny (John Glenn) 42 9	Stephan Maxe (Churchill) 4 42 2
Alex Jachym (John Glenn) 135 7	100-meter dash	3,200-meter run
Devin Sall (Churchill) 133 11	T J Dillard (Wayne) 10 8	Max Working (Redford CC) 9 52 2
Long Jump	Devin Thomas (Canton) 10 9	Dan Horgan (Redford CC) 9 55 3
Julian Smith (Canton) 21 3	Eddie Brown (Thurston) 10 9	Tim Howse (Churchill) 9 59 3
John Mitchell (Stevenson) 21 2	Devin Thomas (Canton) 11 0	David Lucas (Redford CC) 10 06 0
Joe Mielke (Franklin) 21 1 5	Darnian Miller (Wayne) 11 0	Connor Schultz (Churchill) 10 06 4
Francisco Beltran (Churchill) 20 10 5	Mike Palombo (Redford CC) 11 0	Jimmy Walsh (Salem) 10 13 0
Brian Rumao (Salem) 20 9 5	Matt Smitherman (John Glenn) 11 0	Adam Warner (Salem) 10 17 3
Matt Smitherman (John Glenn) 20 7 5	Brandon Reeves (Canton) 11 0	Dan Kapadia (Salem) 10 19 0
Andy Rossow (Canton) 20 6 7 5	Kevin Bartos (Luth Westland) 11 2	Scott George (Canton) 10 36 4
Ike Mbanugo (Salem) 20 5	Blaine Simmons (Wayne) 11 2	Mark Piorowski (Stevenson) 10 36 9
Trevor Hearn (Stevenson) 20 4 5	200-meter dash	400 relay
Doug Haller (Luth Westland) 20 3 25	T J Dillard (Wayne) 22 2	Canton 43 3
High Jump	Devin Thomas (Canton) 22 3	Stevenson 44 4
Brad Waidmann (Canton) 6 7	Darnian Miller (Wayne) 22 3	Wayne Memorial 44 9
Matt Graham (Franklin) 6 4	Mike Palombo (Redford CC) 22 7	John Glenn 45 2
Joe Mielke (Franklin) 6 4	Donnie Carson (Clarenceville) 22 8	Churchill 45 3
Scott Brandt (PCA) 6 1	Brandon Reeves (Canton) 22 9	800 relay
Nick Reed (Stevenson) 6 0	Eddie Brown (Thurston) 22 9	Canton 1 30 3
Cam Scharchburg (Plymouth) 5 11	Ben Moldenhauer (Luth Westland) 23 0	Stevenson 1 31 4
Joe Gonzalez (Stevenson) 5 11	Nana Adamako (Stevenson) 23 0	Wayne Memorial 1 33 6
Andy Rossow (Canton) 5 10	Eric George (Churchill) 23 1	Lutheran Westland 1 34 0
Matt McEllean (Canton) 5 10	Francisco Beltran (Churchill) 23 1	Churchill 1 34 4
Mike Lanus (Canton) 5 10	400-meter dash	1,600 relay
Pole Vault	Ben Moldenhauer (Luth West) 50 2	Stevenson 3 23 7
Ryan Santa (Churchill) 13 0	Keith Hearn (Stevenson) 50 2	Canton 3 24 9
Jon Chapman (Canton) 13 0	Andy Rossow (Canton) 50 6	Salem 3 31 6
Bill Breslin (Churchill) 12 6 2	Collin Hall (Stevenson) 51 0	Redford CC 3 31 9
Rich Hensel (Churchill) 12 3	Pat Brown (Thurston) 51 2	Lutheran Westland 3 34 8
Derek Reeves (Canton) 12 0	Cyrus Azzi (Canton) 51 6	3,200 relay
Jayson Wurtzbacher (Salem) 11 9	Trevor Hearn (Stevenson) 52 2	Stevenson 8 15 4
Aaron Reamy (Churchill) 11 9	Brandon Kneefel (Stevenson) 52 3	Salem 8 20 6
David Hain (Churchill) 11 9	Devin Thomas (Canton) 53 5	Redford CC 8 27 7
Joe Jackson (Wayne) 11 9	Joe Mielke (Franklin) 53 7	Churchill 8 29 1
Neal Kemp (Luth Westland) 11 6		Thurston 8 37 4

SPORTS ROUNDUP

HOOP CAMPS

The dates are set for the Canton/Salem Girls Summer Basketball Camps, conducted by Salem coach Fred Thomann and Canton coach Bob Blohm The camp for girls entering eighth and ninth grades this fall will be from 1-3 p m June 14-18 For those entering fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades this fall will be from 1-3 p m June 21-25 All camps will be in the Canton gym Cost is \$70, checks made payable to the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools For more information, call (734) 416-2937 or (734) 414-8156

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The Top 50 Junior Tour consists of 10 qualifiers and 10 tournaments, played on Michigan public and private courses between June 15 and Aug 20

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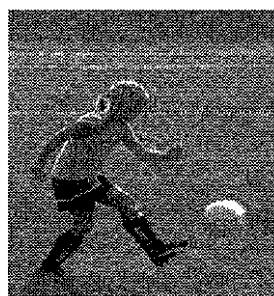
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7*	Pioneer Park	Farmington	July 12-16
8	Clifford Smart MS	Walled Lake	July 19-23
9	Independence Park	Canton	July 26-30
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Williams draws a Piston look

Former Schoolcraft College All-America and Mid-American Conference Player of the Year Mike Williams of Western Michigan University was one of four NBA prospects who worked out Thursday in front of the Detroit Pistons staff and coaches at the team's practice facility in Auburn Hills.

The 6-foot-8 Williams, who will attend the NBA Pre-draft Camp later this month in Chicago, was watched by Pistons coach Larry Brown, assistant Mike Woodson, team president Joe Dumars and director of player personnel John Hammond.

Schoolcraft head coach Carlos Briggs and assistant Fred Cofield were also on hand for the workout, which also included Lionel Chalmers, a guard from Xavier.

After a 2-hour workout with the team, then meeting with the media and after winning Game 3 the night before, I was really impressed with coach Brown's energy, the time he spent and all the positives he gave the kids during the workout. Briggs said.

Represented by Aaron Goodwin & Associates, the same firm which represents LeBron James of the Cleveland

Cavaliers, Williams has also gone through individual workouts with the New York Knicks and the Orlando Magic.

Williams, who averaged 19 points and seven rebounds per game, led WMU to a 26-5 record this season and berth in the NCAA Tournament. He also earned Associated Press honorable mention All-America honors.

In early April, he also received an invite to the Portsmouth (Va.) Invitational featuring the nation's top 64 seniors, where he averaged 17.6 points and six rebounds per game.

ROCKS

FROM PAGE B1

Mark Pirronello had the game winning RBI double in the third inning.

Dylan Tobin, the Salem starter, went six innings, allowing five runs on nine hits. He fanned three and walked two before giving way to reliever Dom D'Aguanno, who pitched a scoreless seventh.

In Wednesday's win over Central, the Rocks found themselves trailing 2-0 after one inning. Their four-run second put them back in the game, and their five-run fourth put them ahead to stay.

Josh Rutter got the pitching win, but he needed help from reliever D'Aguanno when the Vikings scored three runs in the seventh. D'Aguanno earned his sixth save.

The second-inning rally started with a one-out single by Tobin and walks to Scott Holka and Brian Bradley. Mitch Hosch singled to drive in one run. Steve Cox followed with a two-run double — the 116th hit of his career, breaking the record held by Ryan Rumberger — with two out. A fourth run scored on a wild pitch.

Central came up with three runs in the top of the fourth to go up 5-4, but Salem's five

runs in the bottom half of the inning assured the victory. Dave Cardenas and Cox each drove in runs, and Drew Farling slugged a two-run double. A Hosch two-out single delivered Bradley, who had tripled, with an insurance run in the fifth.

John Glenn 3, Canton 1: Just when it seemed the Chiefs were turning a corner, winning three games in a row, the bottom fell out.

Seven errors led to eight unearned runs in a 10-3 loss to Livonia Churchill Wednesday, then Westland John Glenn's Billy Burton stopped Canton with a four-hitter in a WLAAC crossover Thursday at Glenn.

The two defeats dropped Canton to 8-19 overall, the Chiefs finish 3-5 in the Western Division.

Churchill was 12-16 overall, 4-4 in the Western, while Glenn improved to 11-21 overall.

Against Glenn, Craig Galarnau — who had two of the Chiefs' four hits — singled in the third and eventually scored on Dave Mintz's single.

It was still 2-1 in the fifth when Canton had its best scoring opportunity. It started with a Brad Gallison single. Steve Campbell was safe on a fielder's choice, and Galarnau reached base on a bunt single.

to load them up. But a hard shot by Mintz was nabbed by the Rockets' third baseman, who got the force out at home, and Neu's drive up the middle was snared by Burton on the mound, who got the force at home.

The relay to first completed the double play.

"That was our best scoring chance," said Canton coach Scott Dickey.

Russ Bruner took the loss for the Chiefs, surrendering just three runs on six hits and two walks, with four strikeouts. Burton did not walk a batter and struck out two.

Against Churchill Wednesday, Steve Merlo and winning pitcher Xander Younce each went 4-for-5 in a 13-hit attack. Younce had a pair of doubles, scored three runs and had three RBI. He also went all seven innings on the mound, allowing six hits and two walks while striking out five.

Merlo scored two runs, while Brandon Mishowski went 3-for-3 with a walk and three RBI, including a two-run double in the sixth inning.

Neu and Eric Byrne each had two hits for Canton. Neu and Mintz each getting doubles. Galarnau added a single.

Byrne, the Canton starter, lasted five innings. Gallison went the final two innings.

THE WEEK AHEAD

<p>PREP BASEBALL Tuesday June 1 Canton at Stevenson (2) 4 p.m. DISTRICT PAIRINGS DIVISION I SALEM HS (Host) Tuesday June 1 South Lyon (A) vs Northville (B) at Salem 4 p.m. Saturday June 5 A B winner vs Canton 10 a.m. Salem vs Novi noon Championship final 2 p.m.</p>	<p>Tuesday June 1 (A) Livonia Churchill vs (B) Farmington Hills Mercy 4 p.m. Saturday June 5 Livonia Stevenson vs Redford Union 9:30 a.m. Farmington vs A B winner noon Championship final 2 p.m.</p>	<p>International at (D) Garden City 7 p.m. (E) Livonia Franklin at (F) Dearborn Edsel Ford 7 p.m. Thursday June 3 A B winner vs C D winner 5 p.m. at Dearborn. E F winner vs Dearborn Fordson 7 p.m. Saturday June 5 Championship final noon.</p>
<p>WESTLAND JOHN GLENN (Host) Tuesday June 1 (A) Garden City at (B) Westland John Glenn 4 p.m. Friday June 4 Livonia Franklin vs A B winner at John Glenn noon Dearborn Heights Crestwood at Wayne Memorial noon Championship final 3 p.m. at John Glenn.</p>	<p>DIVISION II LIVONIA LADYWOOD (HOST) Tuesday June 1 (A) Detroit Northwestern vs (B) Ferndale 2 p.m. Saturday June 5 (C) Livonia Ladywood vs (D) Detroit Renaissance 10 a.m. Redford Thurston vs A B winner 25 minutes after first game Championship final 3 p.m. (or 45 minutes after second semifinal).</p>	<p>DIVISION III DEARBORN HEIGHTS CRESTWOOD (Host) Tuesday June 1 (A) Livonia Ladywood at (B) Dexter 5 p.m. (C) Romulus at (D) Dearborn Heights Crestwood TBA. (E) Redford Thurston at (F) Ypsilanti Lincoln 5 p.m. Thursday June 3 A B winner vs C D winner 5 p.m. at Crestwood. Ypsilanti vs E F winner 7 p.m. at Crestwood. Saturday June 5 Championship final 4 p.m. at Crestwood.</p>
<p>REDFORD CATHOLIC CENTRAL (HOST) Tuesday June 1 (A) Livonia Churchill vs (B) Redford Catholic Central 4 p.m. Saturday June 5 Livonia Stevenson vs Redford Union 9:30 a.m. Farmington vs A B winner 12:30 p.m. Championship final 4:30 p.m.</p>	<p>DIVISION III WHITMORE LAKE (HOST) Saturday June 5 (A) Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs (B) Livonia Clarenceville 11 a.m. Championship final Whitmore Lake vs A B winner 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>DIVISION III DETROIT COUNTRY DAY (Host) Tuesday June 1 Pont Notre Dame Prep (A) vs B H Cranbrook 5 p.m. Plymouth (C) vs Country Day (D) 7 p.m. Thursday June 3 Det Renaissance vs A B winner 5 p.m. Linden vs C D winner 7 p.m. Saturday June 5 Championship final 10 a.m.</p>
<p>DIVISION III WHITMORE LAKE (HOST) Saturday June 5 (A) Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs (B) Livonia Clarenceville 11 a.m. Championship final Whitmore Lake vs A B winner 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>DIVISION IV PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (HOST) Saturday June 5 Lutheran Westland vs Westland Huron Valley Lutheran 9:30 a.m. Plymouth Christian vs Canton Agape Christian 25 minutes after first game Championship final 25 minutes after second game.</p>	<p>DIVISION IV LUTHERAN WESTLAND (Host) Tuesday June 1 (A) Bloomfield Hills Roper at (B) Lutheran West and 4:30 p.m. Wednesday June 2 Harper Woods Trinity Catholic at A B winner 4:30 p.m. Plymouth Christian Academy at Southfield Christian 4:30 p.m. Friday June 4 Championship final 4 p.m.</p>
<p>DIVISION III WHITMORE LAKE (HOST) Saturday June 5 (A) Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs (B) Livonia Clarenceville 11 a.m. Championship final Whitmore Lake vs A B winner 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>DIVISION IV PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY (HOST) Saturday June 5 Canton Agape Christian vs Plymouth Christian 9:30 a.m. Westland Huron Valley Lutheran vs Lutheran Westland 25 minutes after first game Championship final 25 minutes after second game.</p>	<p>BOYS & GIRLS TRACK Tuesday June 1 Operation Friendship at Ladywood 3 p.m. Saturday June 5 (MHSAA State Finals) Division I at Rockford 10 a.m. Division II at Caledonia 10 a.m. Division III at Comstock Park 10 a.m. Division IV at G R Forest Hills Northern 10 a.m.</p>
<p>GIRLS SOFTBALL DISTRICT PAIRINGS DIVISION I SALEM HS (Host) Tuesday June 1 Northville (A) at South Lyon (B) 4 p.m. Saturday June 5 Salem vs Novi 10 a.m. Canton vs A B winner noon Championship final 2 p.m.</p>	<p>DIVISION III WHITMORE LAKE (HOST) Saturday June 5 (A) Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard vs (B) Livonia Clarenceville 11 a.m. Championship final Whitmore Lake vs A B winner 1:30 p.m.</p>	<p>BOYS TENNIS Friday Saturday June 4-5 Division I state finals at Midland Community Tennis Center TBA.</p>
<p>WESTLAND JOHN GLENN (Host) Tuesday June 1 (A) Garden City at (B) Westland John Glenn 4 p.m. Friday June 4 Livonia Franklin vs A B winner at John Glenn noon Dearborn Heights Crestwood at Wayne Memorial noon Championship final 3 p.m. at John Glenn.</p>	<p>NORTHVILLE (Host) Tuesday June 1 (A) Redford Union at (B) Nov 6 p.m. at Meadows Stadium. (C) Farmington Hills Mercy at (D) Livonia Stevenson 6 p.m. (E) Walled Lake Western at (F) Walled Lake Central TBA. Thursday June 3 A B winner vs C D winner 4 p.m. at Northville. E F winner at Northville 6 p.m. Friday June 4 Championship final 7 p.m. at Northville.</p>	<p>GIRLS GOLF Friday Saturday June 4-5 Division II state finals at Forest Akers (East West Course) TBA TBA — time to be announced.</p>
<p>FARMINGTON HILLS MERCY (HOST)</p>	<p>DEARBORN HIGH (Host) Tuesday June 1 (A) Lincoln Park at (B) Dearborn 7 p.m. (C) Detroit Western</p>	

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
ORDINANCE NO. 99

A ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP REGULATING THE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF LAND HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

THE TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS

Part I The Text for Zoning Ordinance No 99 of Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby adopted and summarized as follows

- ARTICLE I TITLE AND PURPOSE
ARTICLE II ZONING DISTRICTS, ZONING MAP AND USES PERMITTED
ARTICLE III FS FLOODPLAIN DISTRICTS
ARTICLE IV PL PUBLIC LANDS DISTRICT
ARTICLE V AG AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT
ARTICLE VI R-1-E, R-1-H, R-1-S, R-1 ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS
ARTICLE VII R-M MOBILE HOME RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS
ARTICLE VIII R-2 TWO FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
ARTICLE IX R-2-A MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT
ARTICLE X OS OFFICE SERVICE DISTRICT
ARTICLE XI OS-ARC OFFICE SERVICE - ANN ARBOR ROAD CORRIDOR DISTRICT
ARTICLE XII C-1 NEIGHBORHOOD SHOPPING DISTRICT
ARTICLE XIII C-2 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT
ARTICLE XIV ARC ANN ARBOR ROAD CORRIDOR DISTRICT
ARTICLE XV VP VEHICULAR PARKING DISTRICT
ARTICLE XVI MR MID RISE DISTRICT
ARTICLE XVII OR OFFICE RESEARCH DISTRICT
ARTICLE XVIII TAR TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH DISTRICT
ARTICLE XIX IND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

ARTICLE XX

The IND District provides for industrial or scientific research, wholesale and service uses and for the manufacturing compounding processing, assembling and/or treatment of finished or semi finished products from previously prepared materials

ARTICLE XXI

SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS
The schedule of regulations provides the regulations applicable to each zoning district for area height lot coverage yard requirements and floor area

ARTICLE XXII

RESIDENTIAL UNIT DEVELOPMENTS (RUD)
It is the intent of the RUD to permit development of residential patterns which encourage innovation in land use and variety in design, layout and type of structures, achieve economy and efficiency in the use of land natural resources, energy and the provision of public services and utilities, encourage provision of useful open space and provide better housing suited to the needs of the residents of the Township, and ensure integration of the proposed development with the characteristics of the general planning area

ARTICLE XXIII

SINGLE FAMILY CLUSTER HOUSING
The purpose of the Single Family Cluster Housing Option is to permit optional methods of development and arrangement of single family structures on parcels less than forty (40) acres gross area in the R 1 E, R 1 H, R 1 S R-1 and R 2 single family residential districts which provide for design alternatives compatible with existing and future adjacent single family subdivisions

ARTICLE XXIV

PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OPTION (PUD)
The PUD option has been designed to permit flexibility in the regulation of land development encourage innovation in land use and variety in design, layout and type of structures constructed achieve economy and efficiency in the use of land, natural resources, energy and the provisions of public services and utilities, encourage useful open space, and provide better housing, employment and shopping opportunities particularly suited to the needs of the residents of the Township of Plymouth in the C 2, IND, OS, OR and TAR Districts on parcels of five (5) acres or greater, and in the ARC and OS ARC Districts on parcels one (1) acre or greater

ARTICLE XXV

PARKING REQUIREMENTS, LAYOUT, STANDARDS, AND OFFSTREET LOADING AND UNLOADING
In all zoning districts off street facilities designed for the parking motor vehicles for occupants employees and patrons of buildings erected, used, altered or extended after the effective date of adoption or amendment of this Ordinance, shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this article Article XXIV regulates the location, layout maintenance construction and number of required parking spaces

ARTICLE XXVI

SIGN REGULATIONS
The intent of this Article is to regulate the construction, alteration, repair and maintenance of all signs with respect to structural and fire safety, location, type of sign, dimensions height and method of illumination, to seek the removal of illegal signs, and to encourage the replacement or removal of nonconforming signs that are incompatible with the purpose of this Article

ARTICLE XXVII

LANDSCAPING, SCREENING AND LAND USE BUFFERS
Landscaping, screening and land use buffer requirements have been established to ensure the enhancement in appearance of commercial development, vehicular use areas, off street parking and property abutting rights of way thereby to improve and preserve the environmental quality and residential atmosphere of the Township through the judicious and thoughtful use of landscaping and buffering techniques

ARTICLE XXVIII

NONCONFORMITIES
This article has been designed to recognize that within the districts established by the adoption or amendment of this Ordinance there exist lots, parcels, structures and uses which were lawful before this Ordinance was adopted, but which would be prohibited regulated or restricted under the terms of this Ordinance and to further provide regulations for and encourage the elimination of such nonconformities

ARTICLE XXIX

SPECIAL PROVISIONS
Each Zoning District created by this Ordinance is subject to the special provisions specified in this article in addition to applicable standards and requirements for the district in which the use is located These provisions are intended to alleviate the impact from a use which is of a size or type, or which possesses unique characteristics These provisions are further intended to assure that such uses will be compatible with surrounding uses and development patterns and the orderly development of the Township

ARTICLE XXX

SITE PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL
The purpose of this article is to provide procedures and criteria to determine compliance with this Ordinance and Township standards and specifications, to ensure the orderly development of the Township proper pedestrian and vehicle ingress and egress for all sites adequate screening of certain uses, sufficient highway, street and parking capacity, to prevent the impairment or depreciation of land values, investments or the general welfare, to afford protection to related or adjoining uses, especially residential properties, and to prohibit the establishment or maintenance of uses or the erection or alteration of structures or other site improvements without proper attention to their location arrangement, appearance and functionality, and their relationship to adjacent properties, the surrounding neighborhood and the Township as a whole

ARTICLE XXXI

ADMINISTRATION
This article establishes standards and procedures for enforcement and administration of the Ordinance

ARTICLE XXXII

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
This article creates the Zoning Board of Appeals and identifies their duties and procedures

ARTICLE XXXIII

PLANNING COMMISSION
This article creates the Planning Commission and identifies their duties and procedures

ARTICLE XXXIV

AMENDMENTS
This article has been created to identify the process to amend the Zoning Ordinance or Map

ARTICLE XXXV

VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES
This article establishes penalties for violation of any provision of this Ordinance

ARTICLE XXXVI

SEVERANCE, VESTED RIGHT
This article states that if any portion of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall be found invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portion or application, or validity of this Ordinance as a whole

ARTICLE XXXVII

DEFINITIONS
This article provides for the construction of language and definitions for terms utilized within the Zoning Ordinance

ARTICLE XXXVIII

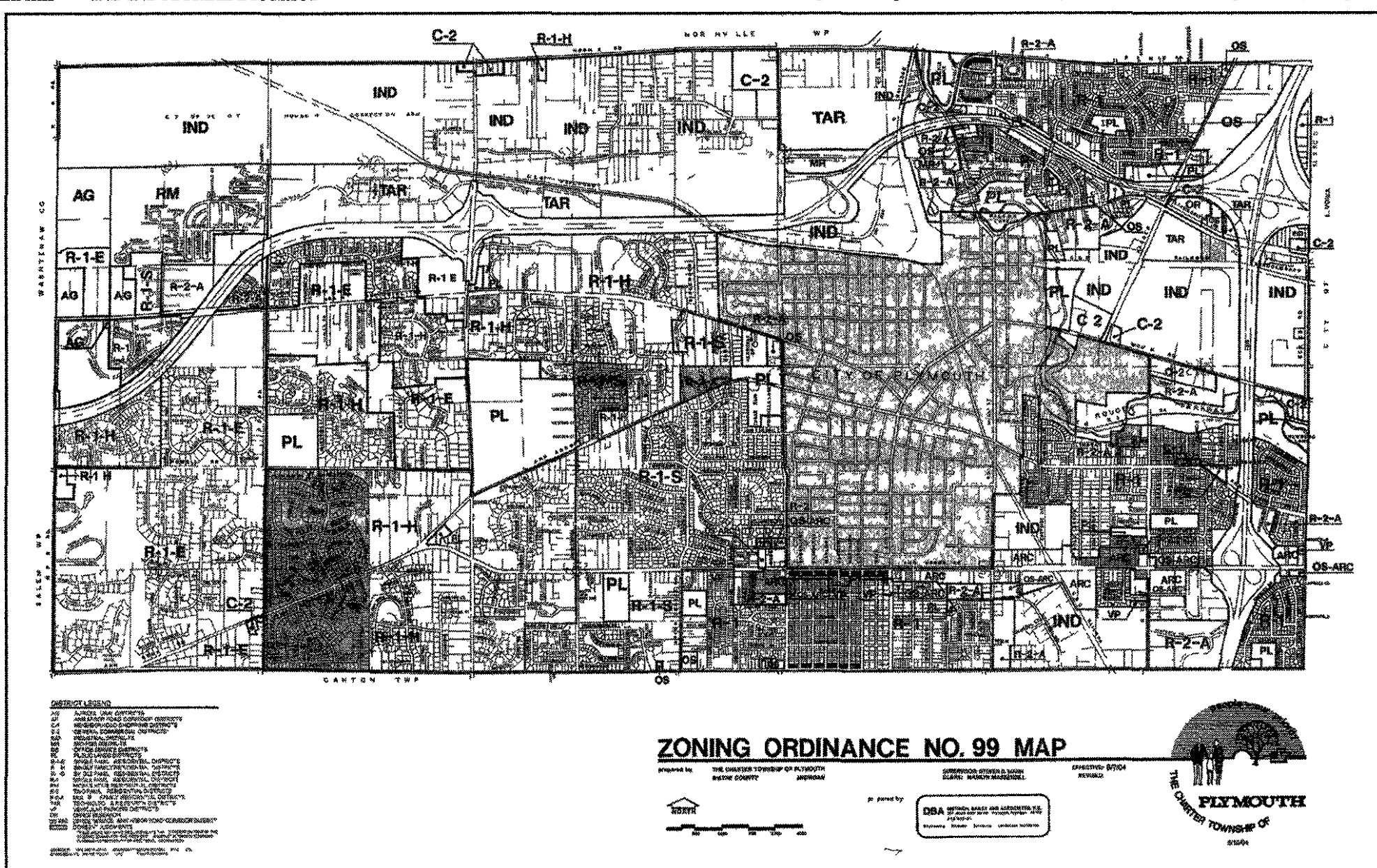
CONFLICTING ORDINANCES
This article repeals all previous zoning ordinances adopted by the Township of Plymouth and all amendments thereto, that were made effective prior to the date of adoption of this Ordinance, together with all previous ordinances, or parts thereof, that conflict or are inconsistent with this Ordinance

ARTICLE XXXIX

EFFECTIVE DATE
This article establishes the effective date of the Zoning Ordinance and Map

Part II The Map for Zoning Ordinance No 99 of Plymouth Charter Township, is hereby adopted as follows

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

STEVENSON GRID REUNION

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

CARBO BASEBALL SCHOOL

The Bernie Carbo Premier Baseball School will be holding individual, small group and team skill sessions in velocity improvement, power hitting and fielding...

LADYWOOD VOLLEYBALL CAMP

The Livonia Ladywood All-Skills Volleyball camp will be from 9 a.m. until noon (entering grades 3-6 this fall) and 1-4 p.m. (entering grades 7-9), Tuesday through Friday, June 22-25...

800 1 Lisa Montgomery (LS) 2 21 43 2 Gibbons (LS) 2 22 81 3 Laura Friedman (Salem) 2 24 39 4 Cassandra Adamson (WLN) 2 24 87 5 Cicala (LS) 2 25 47 6 Hrivnak (N) 2 25 74 7 Erica Hope (LC) 2 28 92 8 Ruple (N) 2 29 52

200* 1 White (LC) 25 95 2 Wilkins (LC) 26 19 3 Linda Montgomery (LS) 26 7 4 Sturdy (LS) 27 02 5 Emily Kreichelt (N) 27 11 6 Gault (Salem) 27 4 7 Sarah Smith (WLN) 27 67 8 Michelle Brewer (WM) 23 44

3200 1 Sirko (LS) 11 19 85 2 Sarah Kulczycki (LS) 11 37 3 Ciesiak (LC) 11 42 29 4 Frey (LS) 11 46 03 5 Molly Gavin (N) 11 40 35 6 Schmidt (LC) 11 58 14 7 Hope (LC) 11 59 23 8 Kirstan Tyler (LF) 12 09 54

GIRLS TRACK RESULTS

High Jump 1 Alyssa Supplee (LF) 5 3 (fewer misses) 2 Kelsey Butler (LS) 5 3 3 Andrea Waits (N) 5 1 4 Brittany Petty (P) 5 1 5 Lyndon Gault (Salem) 5 0 6 Astley Belrose (WLN) 4 11 7 Megan Kmet (LF) 4 11 8 (tie) Lache Wilkins (LC) and Becker (WLC) 4 9 each

3 200-meter relay 1 Stevenson (Kelly Gibbons Amber Cicala Kristen Frey Heather Sirko) 9 36 6 2 Northville 9 45 4 3 Salem 9 59 9 4 WLN Northern 10 21 5 5 Churchhill 10 26 9 6 Plymouth 10 30 1 7 WL Central 10 34 7 8 Franklin 10 43 5

1600: 1 Devon Ruple (N) 5 14 82 2 Sirko (LS) 5 15 68 3 Frey (LS) 5 17 11 4 Kyle Ciesiak (LC) 5 17 95 5 Rebecca Rudey (WLN) 5 19 36 6 Nicole Schmidt (LC) 5 30 06 7 Liz Hrivnak (N) 5 31 38 8 Lisa Montgomery (LS) 5 32 49

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION GIRLS TRACK MEET May 26 at Canton TEAM STANDINGS 1 Livonia Stevenson 179 points 2 Livonia Churchill 125 5 3 Salem 81 5 4 Northville 58 5 5 Walled Lake Central 49 6 Westland John Glenn 33 7 Livonia Franklin 31 5 8 Walled Lake Northern 30 9 Wayne Memorial 28 10 Walled Lake Western 26 5 11 Canton 11 5 12 Plymouth 9

BEST GIRLS TRACK PERFORMANCES

Table with 2 columns: Name and Time. Includes entries like Nia Henderson (Churchill) 43.75, Anna Wilson (Salem) 35.7, Jenna Hudy (Franklin) 34.6, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Time. Includes entries like Kelsey Ramthun (Luth Westland) 51, Kelsey Judd (Ladywood) 51, Brittany Petty (Plymouth) 51, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Time. Includes entries like Stephanie Diganamenico (Lady) 50.7, Casey Lynett (Franklin) 51.0, Amanda Mondella (Franklin) 51.9, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Time. Includes entries like Laura Friedman (Salem) 2:20.2, Kelly Gibbons (Stevenson) 2:20.4, Lisa Montgomery (Stevenson) 2:21.5, etc.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Time. Includes entries like John Glenn 49.6, Wayne Memorial 50.1, Churchill 50.9, etc.

POLICE AUCTION June 8, 2004 - 10 AM. David Lowells Towing Inc. 2260 E Michigan Avenue Ypsilanti, MI 48198. Lists various vehicles for sale.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS. The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting...

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(Continued From Page 4B) Part III CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED Any ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed. Part IV EFFECTIVE DATE The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to take effect on June 7, 2004. Part V ADOPTION The Ordinance was adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Plymouth...

LEGAL NOTICE 1954 PA 188 PROCEEDINGS NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT HEARING Charter Township of Plymouth Wayne County, Michigan TO THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the purchase of Mobile Radios (Motorola GTX 900 MHz or comparable) for PCCS Bus Fleet.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO STATE LAW 267 252, THE FOLLOWING VEHICLE(S) WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC SALE AT Department of Municipal Services, 1231 Goldsmith Plymouth, Michigan 48170, on the DATE AND TIME LISTED BELOW Thursday, June 3rd, 2004 7 00 pm

The proposed improvements shall consist of a two lane asphalt pavement constructed over the existing gravel roads, as well as miscellaneous driveway and drainage work which may be needed to facilitate the placement of the asphalt road pavement. The project commences at the south right-of-way line of Five Mile Road and proceeds southward along Bradner Road approximately 1,400 feet to the north right of way line of Schoolcraft Road.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH REPEAL OF MESSAGE ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NO. C-04-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BY REPEALING THE MESSAGE ORDINANCE, ORDINANCE NO. C-92-03; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS Plymouth, Michigan NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED 2004-2005 OPERATING BUDGETS PUBLIC ACT NO 43 OF 1963 REQUIRES SCHOOLS DISTRICTS TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGETS THIS HEARING WILL BE HELD TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2004 - 7:00 P.M. E.J. McCLENDON EDUCATION CENTER 454 SOUTH HARVEY STREET, PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

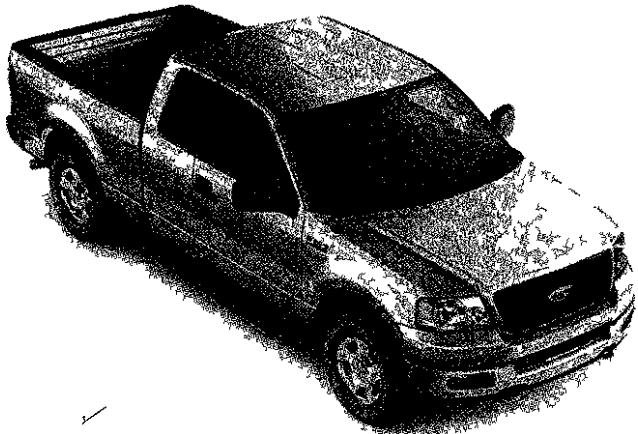
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Plymouth shall meet on Tuesday, June 8, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Plymouth Township Hall, 49350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, for the purpose of reviewing said proposed Special Assessment District, and hearing objections to the improvement, creation of the Special Assessment District, and the assessment thereon.

SECTION 1. REPEAL OF THE ORDINANCE That the Charter Township of Plymouth Message Ordinance, Ordinance No C-92-03, be and is hereby repealed. SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance.

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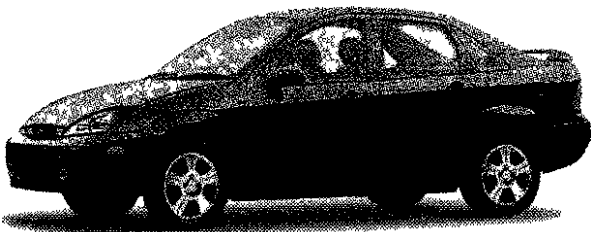
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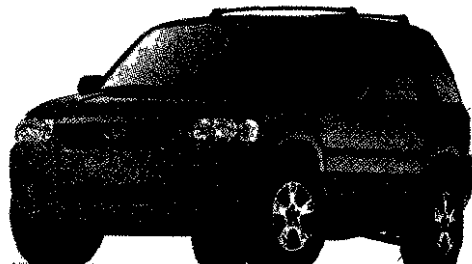
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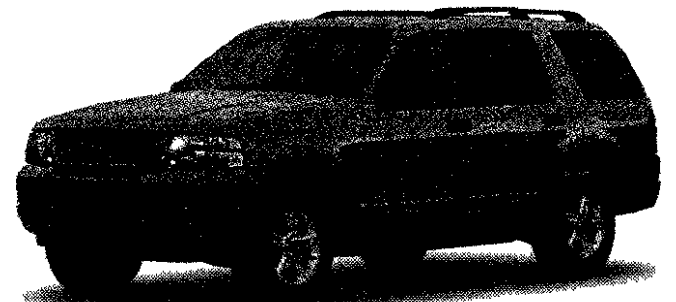
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World War II photographer gave GIs a record of their war

by 2.6 million people each week. "[Here is the evidence that you have your own ideas and the intelligence and the humor and the freedom to express them," President Franklin Roosevelt wrote in the magazine's first edition. "Yank was the soldier's equivalent of *Life* magazine and *Time*," says Peter Harrington of Brown University. "It was a very welcome arrival in the mail."

Pawlak's photos often wound up on the covers of *Yank's* Pacific editions. He photographed the bloodshed at Okinawa and Peleliu, watching as men he had spoken to moments before were killed. He shot pictures of soldiers in Guam as they learned the war had ended. During his years in the Pacific, he contracted malaria and pneumonia, was wounded twice and barely missed being killed several times.

Nearly sixty years after the war's end, Pawlak still remembers in sharp detail the soldiers he met and the battles he witnessed. His job was a challenge, he says, and what stands out most was the carnage he saw and the fortitude the GIs had. The grit that they showed, it was just remarkable.

"I really got to be — like most reporters, like Ernie Pyle, they came to be very passionate about being with the troops because you're part of them. It lingers in my mind all the guys I saw killed.

"It's hard on the emotions," he adds. "We tried to illustrate that."

After the war ended, he returned home to Emily and opened a photography studio in Detroit, specializing in commercial and architectural photographs. He has maintained scrupulous records of his service years, along with an archive of dozens of his photographs, and in 2000 put together a brochure commemorating the 60th anniversary reunion of veterans of the USS *Dubuque*. He has also contributed essays

and photographs to an upcoming anthology on *Yank*, "Reporting the Greatest Generation," due this fall.

"When I look back at it, I feel fortunate that I survived," he says. "I feel fortunate that I had the experience."

"Everyone who's in the service is always in the greatest generation," he adds. "That would be my one contradiction to Tom Brokaw."



Mason Pawlak as a young man, combat photographer in WWII.



Mason Pawlak is publishing a book of his combat photos from World War II.

BY ALEXA STANARD
CORRESPONDENT

This Memorial Day Americans will remember battles past, even as they deal with the difficult news from Iraq.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of D Day, June 6, 1944, and this week a new World II memorial will be formally dedicated in Washington, D.C.

But our collective memory of American wars would not be what it is if not for the work of war correspondents, including enlisted war photographers. War photographers joined soldiers on the front lines to capture the nobility, tediousness and horror of war, sending home images that allowed a glimpse of life on the front lines.

Mason Pawlak, of Livonia, was one such photographer. As a Navy enlistee during World War II, Pawlak, now 84, spent two years as staff photographer for *Yank* magazine, a War Department publication for GIs.

He captured images of enlisted men's daily lives and of such battles as Okinawa, Iwo Jima and Peleliu, earning two Purple Hearts, two Bronze Stars, Army and Navy commendation medals and a host of other awards along the way.

"*Yank* was created to give GIs a voice," Pawlak says. "GIs aren't the elite but they are the backbone of the armed forces."

Pawlak's photos were often featured on the cover of the soldier's weekly *Yank* during World War II.

AN EARLY PASSION

Pawlak grew up in Depression-era Detroit, on the city's west side. He discovered photography during a family portrait shoot at age 12. The photographer showed him the studio dark room

and explained how pictures were made.

Pawlak was hooked. He began mixing chemicals in local studios and before long was photographing fires and crime scenes for local publications. He worked as a bag carrier for photographers at the now defunct *Detroit Times*, took promotional pictures for Barnum & Bailey's circus and sold photos of movie stars like Dorothy Lamour to national magazines.

"I didn't know the term paparazzi in high school, but that's what I was," Pawlak says, laughing. He is sitting in his sunny condo, surrounded by war memorabilia and pictures of his family, still sporting the debonair mustache from his war years.

In 1938 he enlisted in the naval reserves after learning he could be a photographer — and after his parents gave the 17-year-old permission.

The following year at a Navy dance he spotted Emily Mulcahey, a lovely Irish lass, as Pawlak still calls her, then a senior at St. Anthony's on Detroit's east side. Pawlak cut in as Emily danced with another man, and then drove her and her friends home. Though he stood her up several times to photograph a fire or a murder scene, Emily remained patient.

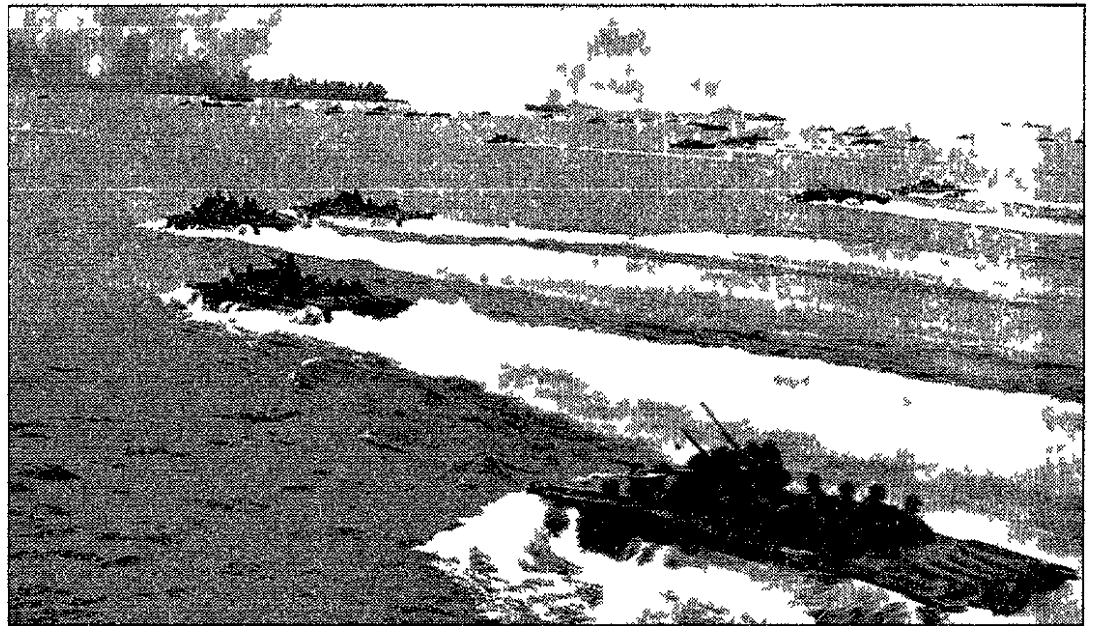
Pawlak was called to active duty in November 1940 and shipped out on the USS *Dubuque*. He was a gunner, and his ship patrolled the U.S. coastline at a time when the Germans were sinking U.S. ships.

One year later, Pawlak succeeded in getting transferred to the Navy's photography unit and was sent to naval photo school. After graduating in April, he called Emily and asked her to marry him. She said she'd have to ask her mother.

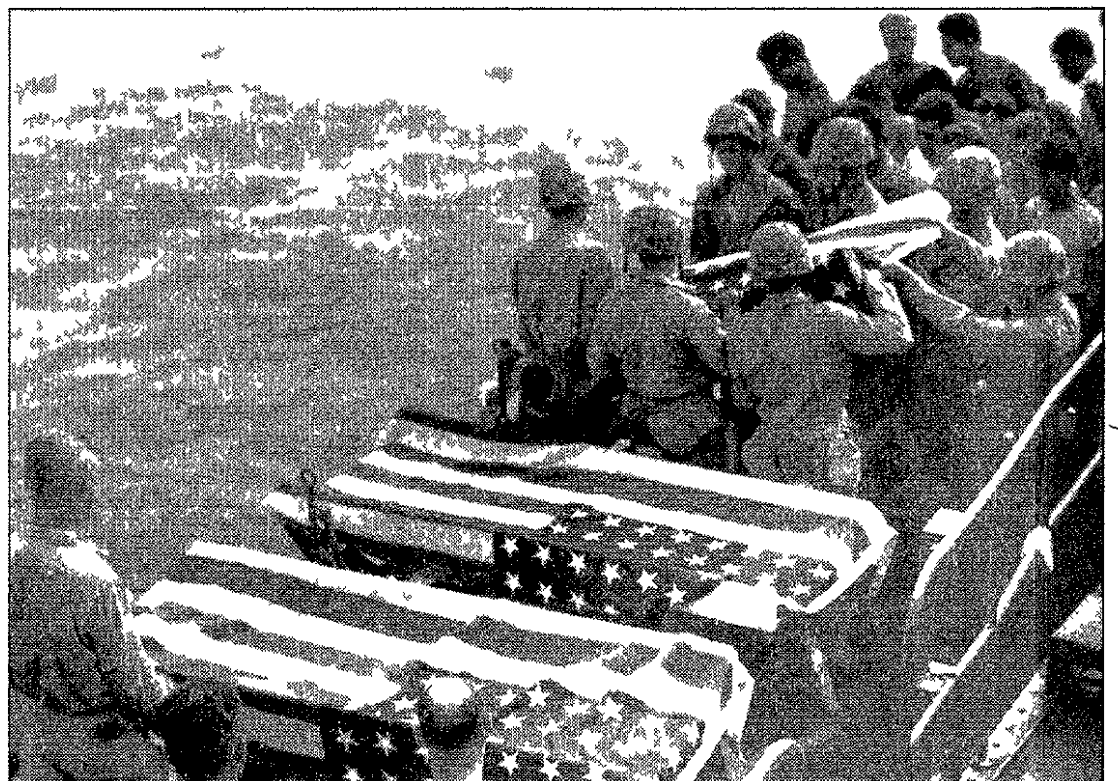
I was flabbergasted her mother approved, Pawlak says. More than 60 years later, the couple has two children and four grandchildren. "To form any image, there can only be one focal point," he says. "In my life, the best and dearest image is my wife."

NAVY MAN AT YANK

After photo school Pawlak began shooting aerial and reconnaissance photos in the Pacific islands. Eventually he was offered a position with *Yank*. The weekly magazine had been created in 1942 and was written by and for enlisted men. It produced 23 editions around the world, offering a mix of war news, cartoons, news from home, letters from soldiers and, in every edition, a pin-up girl. At its peak circulation it was read



This Pawlak photo shows the landing at Peleliu Island in September of 1944.



With all hands standing by, a Marine honor guard solemnly gives a body to the sea during burial services for men killed on Peleliu Island in September of 1944. Pawlak shot this photo aboard a Coast Guard manned attack transport. The chaplain and a Coast Guard commander are standing in the foreground near the two bodies still to be committed.

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Into the spotlight

Canton's Summit Players bring a wild western farce to life

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

You may not realize this, but the wild, wild west really could be a lot of fun

Just ask the cast and crew of the Summit Players who presented *How the West Was Fun* May 18-23 at the Summit on the Park.

"It really is a farce," director Nancy Spencer said. "There really were some good lines in the play."

The story centers on Curley, a young, naive cowboy who is madly in love with the queen of the Red Stocking Dance Hall in Prairie Dog, Kan. Unfortunately, Miss Lilly doesn't know Curley is alive.

But in comes Dr. Samuel Sasquach, a medicine man, and his sidekick, Princess Grinning Fox, who sell lovesick Curley a love potion. Still, his love is unrequited. "There's a line in the play — no one could make a girl fall in love with Curley, short of a \$1 million," Spencer said.

Sure enough, Curley's one living relative dies, leaving him a millionaire. Again, unfortunately, Curley joins up with Gen. Custer and never comes back to the dance hall.

"I think the cast did a terrific job," Spencer said. "We've turned some of them into stage hams."

The Summit Players present a play once a year. This year's production drew about 50 guests for each performance.

The cast was accompanied by musicians with The Sounds of Canton.

The cast included Edward Shaw as Curley, Gary Simon as Lobo, Carolyn Kaump as Miss Lilly, Dave McCoy as Sgt. Major Tyree Turwilliger, Madeline Carpenter as Ms. Claire Du Loon, Shirley Reynolds as Sally, Len Bloch as Dr. Samuel Sasquach, Ann Colwell as Princess Grinning Fox, Katie Maglocci as Gold Crust Gertie, Patti Wachtel as Eve, and Marie Cole as Maudie. Dance hall girls were Sue Gondoly, Janet Walsh and Rhoda Wolshon. The dancer was Frances Stillwell.



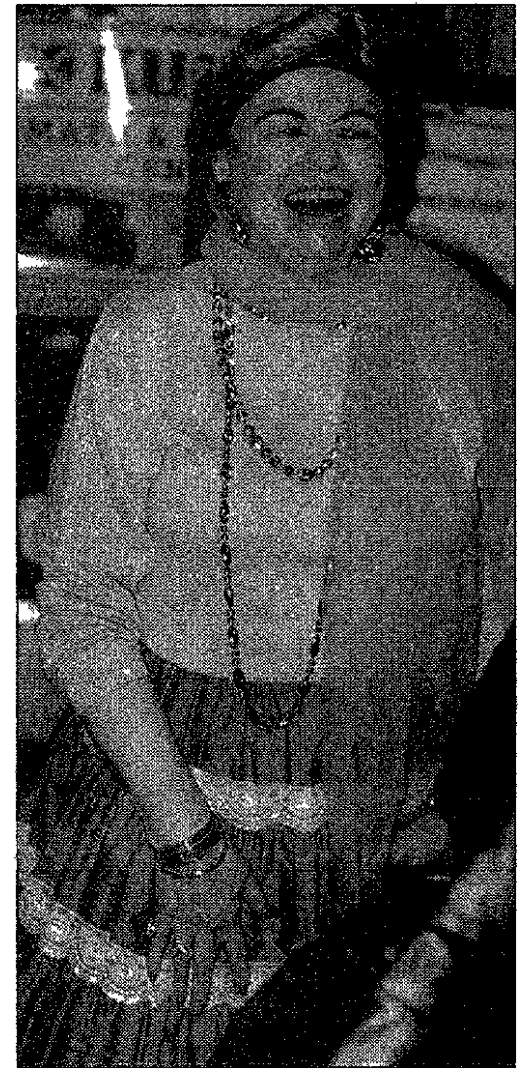
Lovelorn Curley, played by Ed Shaw, with the worldly Ms. Claire Du Loon, owner of the Red Stocking Dance Hall. Du Loon is played by Madeline Carpenter.



Who's who in the cast of *How the West was Fun* include from left Nancy Spencer, director, Marie Cole, Patti Wachtel, Ann Colwell, Madeline Carpenter, Carolyn Kaump, Ed Shaw, Gary Simon, Dave McCoy and Shirley Reynolds.



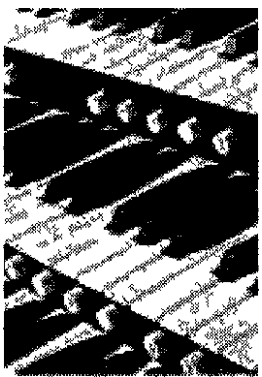
Miss Lilly (Carolyn Kaump), the object of Curley's affections, with Dr. Samuel Sasquach (Len Bloch), a medicine-show quack, and one of the dance hall girls (Janet Walsh).



Sally, played by Shirley Reynolds, is a rival of Miss Lilly as queen of the Red Stocking Dance Hall.

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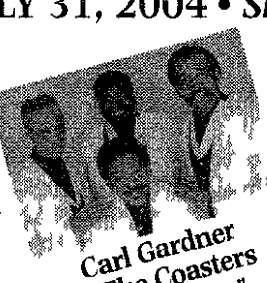
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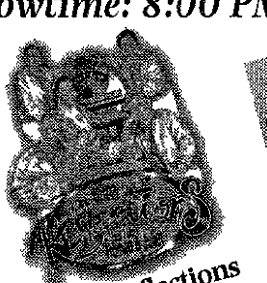
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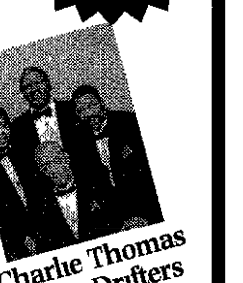
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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Alberty-Bauer

Tom and Rose Alberty of Canton announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Marie Alberty, to Geoffrey Bauer, the son of Dave and Jill Bauer of Fremont, Ohio

The bride-to-be is a member of the Canton High School Class of 1997 and was graduated from Eastern Michigan University in 2002. She is associate director at Rosie's Romper Room in Canton.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Ross High School in Fremont and is presently attending Eastern Michigan University. After graduation in December 2004, he will continue toward his master's degree in accounting.

An Aug. 7, 2004, wedding is planned at St. Francis Cabrini Church, with the Rev. Joe Maha officiating. A reception is planned at the Italian-American Banquet Center in Livonia.

The bride will be attended by Andrea Alberty, Julia Bedford, Jen Tomlinson, Carrie Shanahan, Kennedy Fisher, Amber Ostrander, Jessica Jonas, Nicole Kehoe, Andrea Bauer, Allison Bauer, Amy Bauer, Erin Heitzman and Kelly Heitzman.

The groom will be attended by Jason Raubenolt, Tom Alberty, Steve Weiss, Cole Jarrett, Troy Smith, Nick Raubenolt, Nate Waleryszak, Tom Bruckley, Nick Fisher, Brad Compton and Kaleb Burg.

After a honeymoon trip to Hilton Head, S.C., the couple plans to reside in Garden City.



Harrison-Keith

John and Jeanne Harrison of Petoskey announce the engagement of their daughter, Heidi Harrison, to Bill Keith, the son of William and Margaret Keith of Canton.

The bride-to-be is a 1984 graduate of Petoskey High School and a 1988 graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in elementary education. She is employed as a fourth-grade teacher for the Pontiac schools.

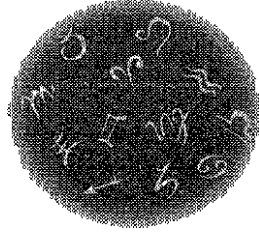
The prospective groom is a 1985 graduate of Plymouth Salem High School and a 1990 graduate of Michigan State University. He manages WSDP Radio for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

A June 19 wedding is planned at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Rochester.



Star Struck

(May 30-June 2)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

It's not like you to waste time looking back, but you seem to be doing a lot of that lately. The current planetary setup urges you to stop thinking about what might have been and start thinking about what is, as well as what's going to be in the Future Hopes Department. Try to let down your hair over the next few days. You need to!

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Venus, your ruler, is retrograde and aspected by inner planets this week, bringing the kind of challenges that help you grow. There may be times when you wish that life was not quite so tough, but one day you'll look back and realize it was for the best.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

With the Sun in your sign, the time has come to get serious about your goals and ambitions. You may have achieved a lot already, but this week's aspects urge you to set your sights still higher, because there's so much more you can accomplish. It really is true that one person's change of attitude can change the whole world!

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

This is the ideal time to push yourself forward and remind employers that not only do you exist, but that you are too good to be wasted. Brag a little about what you can do. Before the week is out, you'll prove it. Even if you make the smallest of efforts, you can look forward to some big rewards.

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

Your home life will bring you much joy this week. Even if you've crossed certain people, your ruling planet, Sun, Jupiter aspect will make it easy to kiss and make up, so long as you're ready to forgive yourself for some of the things you said. - No, you don't know it all, Lion!

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

Your health receives a boost now, and you'll find you can deal with a heavier workload (argghh!) but that doesn't mean you have to take on more work or responsibilities around the homefront. Be willing, by all means, but don't let family or colleagues take advantage of your energy.

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

Even though it's a holiday, family issues will take up a lot of your time and energy, and if you're smart, you won't try to avoid them. Good deeds you do for loved ones now will be repaid in full later, when it's you who needs a helping hand.

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

Try not to take others' hurtful comments to heart, because they don't mean what they say. It could well be the case that they believe you're about to say some less than complimentary things about them, and are merely getting their retaliation in early. Ease their fears, Scorpio!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

You are not as self-confident, positive or controlled as others imagine you to be. Sadge. However, current adverse planetary influences only urge you to stop making all of those excuses for those who have overstepped the mark or involved you in some kind of a costly arrangement.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

Don't be so secretive about what you're trying to do, SeaGoat. You're going to need assistance in the very near future, so at least make sure that one or two important people know what you've planned. Intellectually and spiritually, some sort of balance must be found.

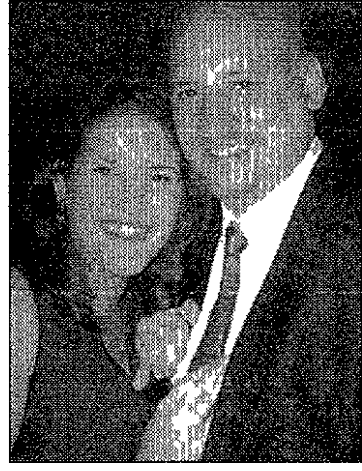
AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

Strange and unexpected developments may be forcing you to do a lot of soul searching and think more about your long-term happiness, comfort and security. However, if you are prepared to discard and alter direction at work, this can also be one of the most enlightening, illuminating weeks of early '04!

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)

Your "Financial Eyes" are now open, so take full advantage of them! Still, you may not want to get tough with friends and family, but you must. Certain people have been taking advantage of your easy-going nature, and if you don't put a stop to it now, you'll soon regret it.

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Unger-Matthias

Ronald and Barbara Bullotta of Plymouth (formerly of Rochester Hills) and Glenn and Kathryn Unger of North Ft. Myers, Fla., (also formerly of Rochester Hills) announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey Renee Unger, to William Matthias, the son of James and the late Ann Mathias of Duquesne, Pa.

The bride-to-be, a Pittsburgh, Pa., resident, earned her bachelor's degree in rehabilitative services from Penn St. in 1998, and earned her master's degree in rehabilitative counseling in 2002. She is currently employed as a vocational rehabilitation counselor with the Office of Rehabilitation, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh.

The prospective groom, a resident of Duquesne, Pa., earned a bachelor's degree in business and behavioral sciences from Penn St. in 1991. He is currently technology coordinator for Duquesne (Pa.) City School District.

A Sept. 11, 2004, wedding date is planned at Risen Lord Catholic Church in Pittsburgh.

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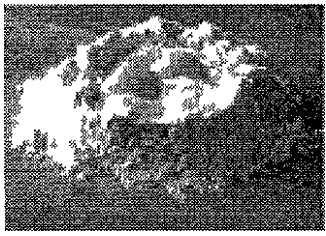
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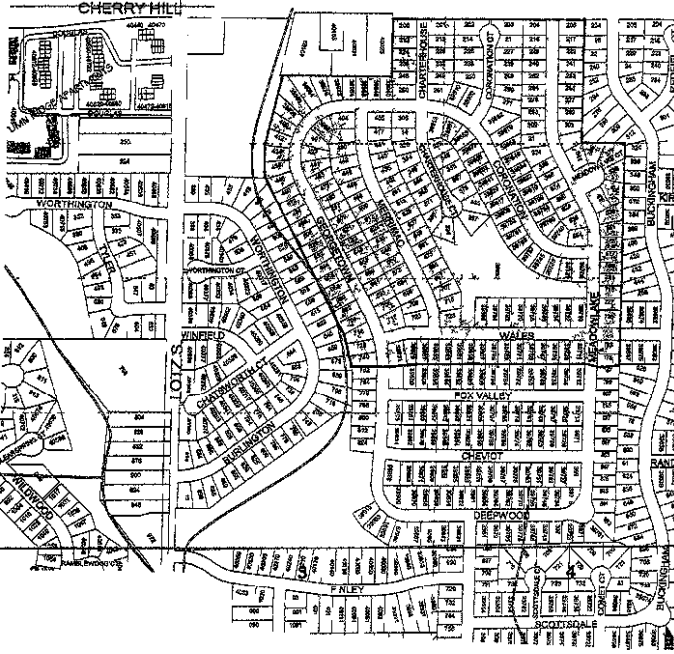
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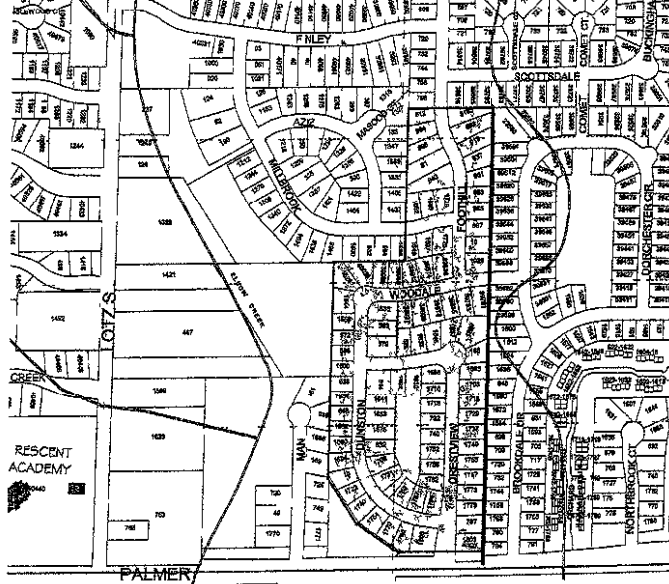
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- Brookside Village West Subdivision
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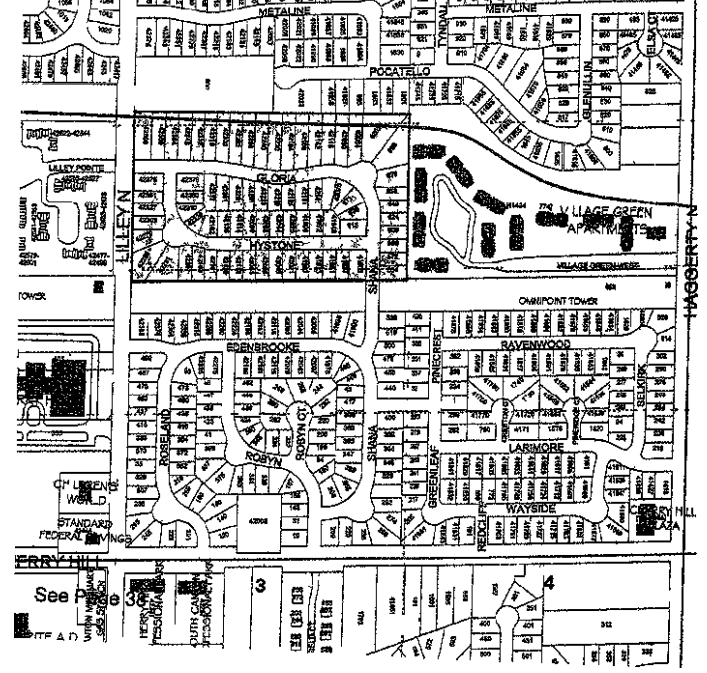
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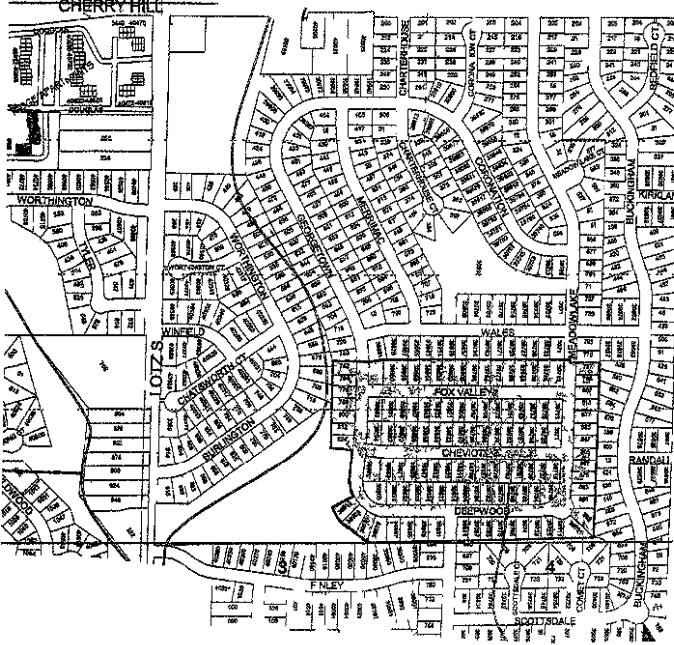
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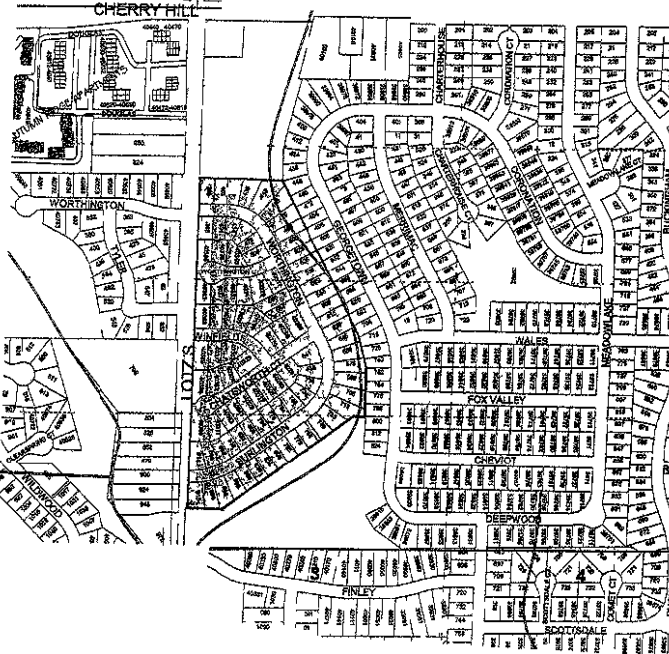
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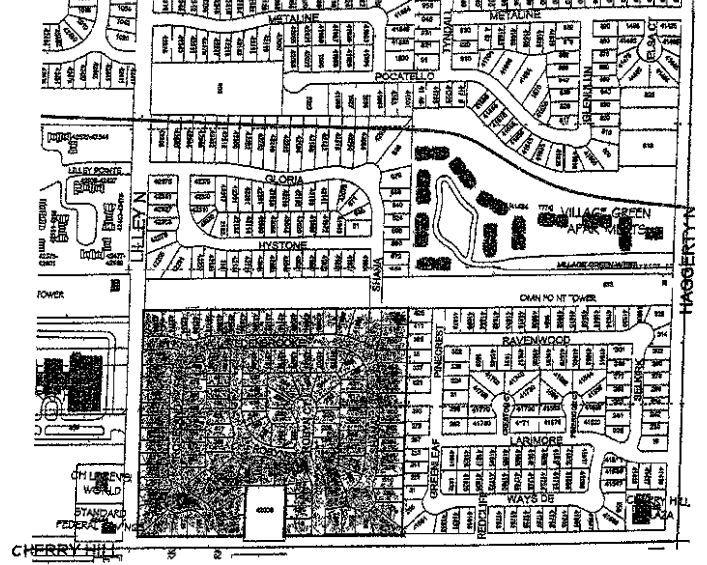
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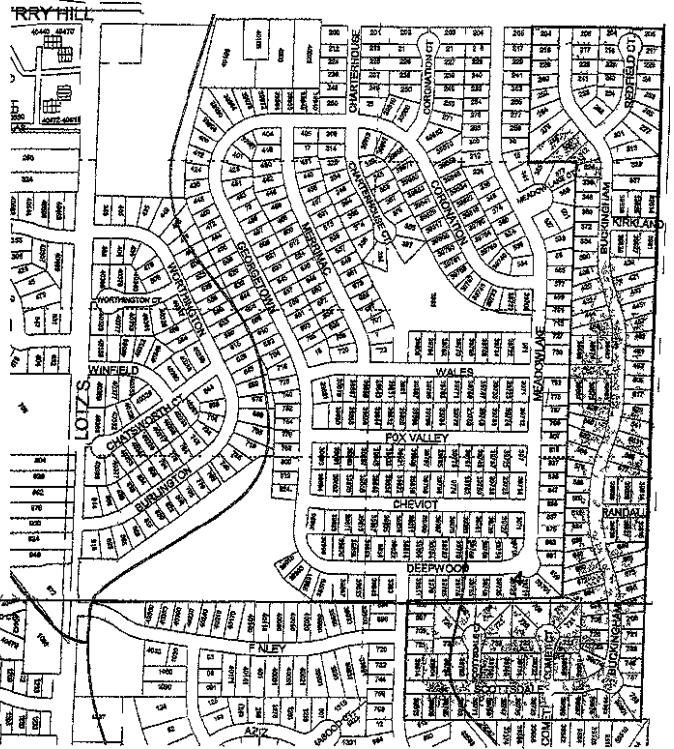
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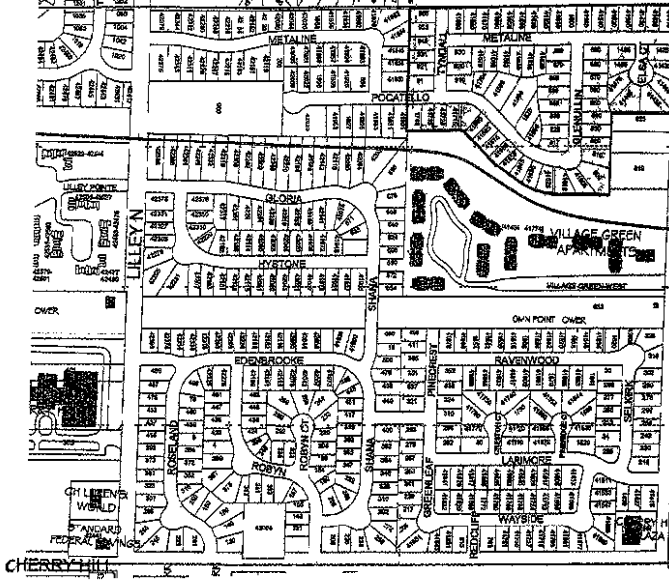
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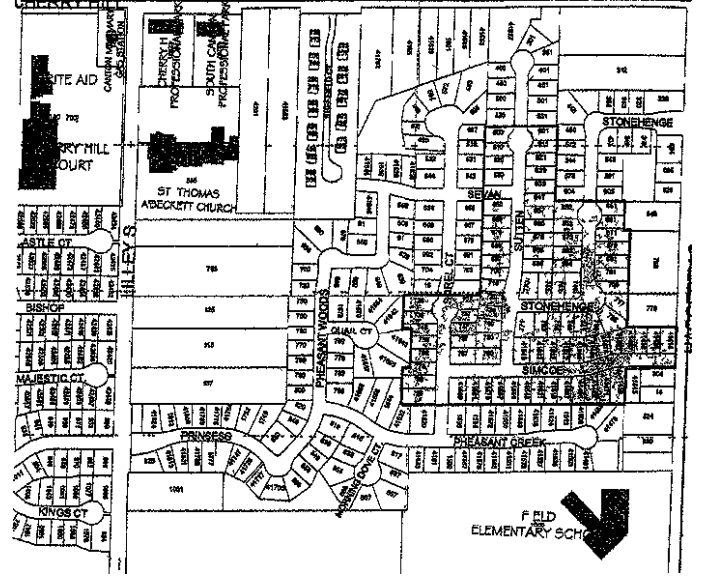
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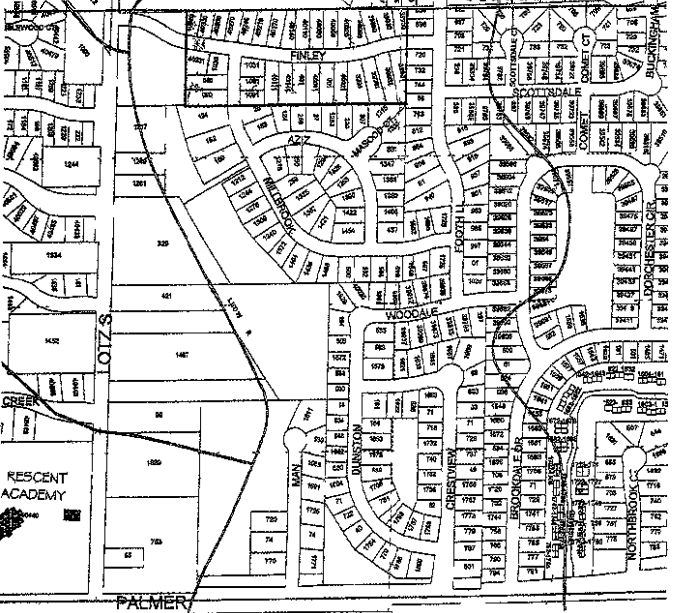
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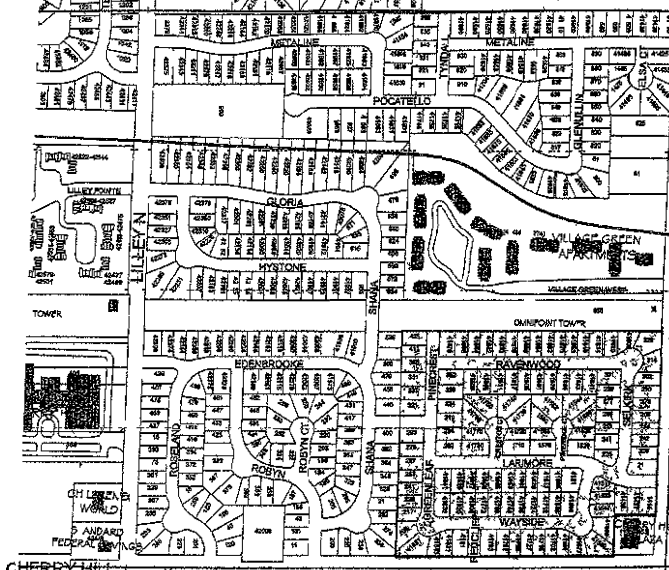
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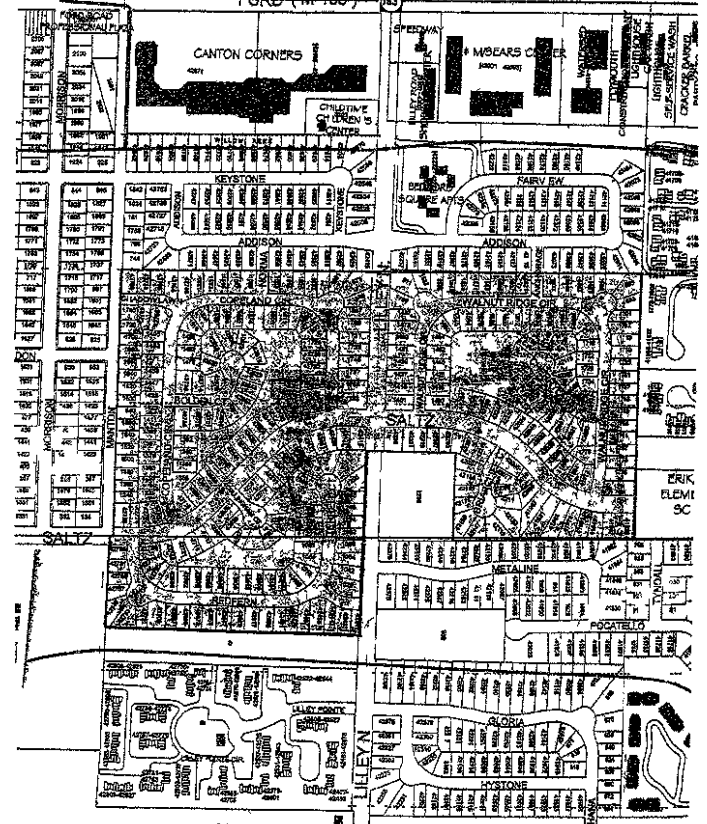
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

To submit an item for the Plymouth Canton community calendar mail it to 794 S Main Plymouth MI 48170 e-mail it to bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net or fax it to (734) 459 4224

AROUND TOWN

Hawgs for Hearts

St. Mary Mercy Hospital sponsors a Hawgs for Hearts motorcycle poker run to benefit its cardiology services. Sunday, July 25. Registration is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The ride to Hell Michigan and back starts at 1 p.m. and ends at 6 p.m. There will be five poker card drawings along the way with food, awards, entertainment and motorcycle vendor booths. Sponsorships are available. Fee for the run is \$10 per rider, \$5 per passenger. Call (734) 655 2980 for more information.

Bio-Identical Hormones

A lecture presented by Dr. Pamela Smith, Physician/Author of HRT: The Answers, will be held at 7 p.m. in the Morris Lawrence Bldg at Wayne Community College. E-mail: Patrice to reserve your seat. patriceclarkpharm@ameritech.net or call (734) 434 7333 Ext. 317. Fee for the lecture sponsored by Specialty Medicine, Clark Professional Pharmacy and Pharmacy Solutions is \$20.

Garden walk

The Gardens of Northville sponsor the 11th annual Garden Walk from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 14. Six gardens in Northville will be featured. Tickets will be available in advance only after June 14 from Gardenviews, 202 W. Main in Northville. No tickets will be sold the day of the walk. For more information, call Kate Daniel (734) 591 0360.

Entertainment books

The Plymouth Symphony League is selling 2005 Entertainment books to support the symphony's 2004-05 concert season. Buyers will receive a free 2004 Entertainment Book now and their 2005 book in late August. Buyers can pick the books up at the symphony office, located next to the Cozy Cafe in downtown Plymouth, by calling the symphony office (734) 451 2112 or calling Mary Thomas (734) 453 3016. The books cost \$20.

Women business owners

Women Business Owners of Southeast Michigan hold their monthly meeting June 8 at the Lake Forest Golf Club, 3110 W. Ellsworth in Ann Arbor, with refreshments at 6:30 p.m. and the program from 7:30 p.m. Rene Greff of Arbor Brewing Company will talk about marketing on a shoestring. Free to members; guests pay \$10 at the door. For more information or to register, call (734) 332 9300.

Art in the Village

Livonia's 28th annual arts and crafts festival, Art in the Village, takes place 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 12-13 at Greenmead Historical Village, located at 8 Mile and Newburgh. The festival features over 150 juried exhibitors and ceramics/pottery, fiber, fine art, jewelry, metal, leather, glass, weaving, wood, photography and other exhibits. Admission and parking are free and there will be free children activities and entertainment. For information, call (734) 466 2540.

Humane Society fund-raiser

Motor City Harley hosts the fourth annual Hogs for Cats and Dogs fund-raising event Saturday, June 12, to benefit the Michigan Humane Society. Along with the Southfield Police K-9 dogs, this year's show features the TV Animal Cops, who will sign autographs and the Oakland County Mounted Police Division. For more information, call (248) 465 1550.

Howell summer camp

The Howell Conference and Nature Center is still offering enrollment for its summer camps. Resident camps are offered for children entering grades 2-12. Seven different camps - Camp Discovery, Backpacking, Isle Royale, High School Extreme, Adventure Explorer, Nature Discovery and Lakeshore Adventure - are being offered. Rates range from \$185 to \$335. Summer day camps are also available for children in grades 1-6. Daily non-membership rate is \$26; weekly rate is \$120. For more information, call (517) 552 3363.

Pianist performance

Pianist, composer and recording artist Will Tuttle performs at Unity of Livonia Church at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 5. Unity of Livonia is located at 28660 5 Mile between Inkster and Middlebelt.



Volunteers honored

The Plymouth District Library recently honored volunteers who have given generously of their time and effort to further the library's goals. Recognized for their generosity were (from left) Judy Morgan, Lois Hansen, Celeste Cook, Virginia Tornga, Leah Huppenbauer, Sarah Begian, and Ruby Rudnick. Collectively, they've given the Plymouth District Library 140 years of volunteer service.

For more information, call (734) 421 1760.

Nursery school olympics

Wayne County Parks hosts the eighth annual Nursery School Olympics at 10 a.m. Friday, June 4, at Elizabeth Park in Trenton. The event is free. Children 3-5 have an opportunity to participate in marshmallow shot put, miniature golf, Mom's guessing game, Diaper Derby, paper plate discus and others. For more information, call (734) 261 9990.

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and Monroe counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Volunteer training begins June 15. For more information, call Ann Christensen, volunteer coordinator (888) 973 1145.

Cancer support

The ninth annual St. Mary Mercy Hospital Golf Classic takes place at Caltails Golf Club in South Lyon Friday, June 25. Proceeds are designated for cancer services and programs provided at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Golfers will meet Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor from WXYT, major sponsors include Concord EMS and Jaguar of Novi. The \$200 fee covers the 18-hole scramble and a cart. Two shotgun starts (7:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.) with cocktails and dinner following the afternoon round. To register, call (734) 655 1580 before May 31.

Support workshop

Arbor Hospice & Home Care sponsors "Voices from Within," a workshop tailored to help adults who have lost their fathers from 7:30 p.m. Monday, June 14, at the Arbor Hospice Residence, 2366 Oak Valley Drive in Ann Arbor. Space is limited, so early registration is recommended. For more on this free workshop, e-mail griefsupport@arborhospice.org or call (734) 662 5999 Ext. 113.

Art in the Sun

The Northville Chamber of Commerce sponsors the 16th annual Art in the Sun juried fine art show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 19-20 along the streets of Northville. The streets will feature art displays, contemporary musical performances and concessions. There is no admission fee. For more information, call (248) 349 7640.

Crafters wanted

Organizers of the annual Northville Sidewalk Sale are looking for crafters and food vendors for the annual event scheduled for 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7. Craft booths are available for \$40 per booth; food booths cost \$100. Booths are eight-foot spaces. For more information, call Sally or Toni Genitt (248) 349 0522.

Meningitis vaccinations

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

Golden anniversary

The River Park Chapter of International Association of Administrative Professionals (formerly PSI) will be celebrating their 50th anniversary June 17. The group is looking for past/present members and guests to join in a celebra-

tion at the Holiday Inn Heritage Center on Northline in Southgate. The event starts at 6:15 p.m.; cost is \$20 for dinner. For additional information, please contact Karol Polaczyk at kpolaczyk@hayeslemmerz.com or by calling (734) 737 5283 or Angela Devoy at adevoys@smc.org or by phone at (313) 425 3131.

Junior gardeners

Washtenaw County MSU Extension hosts a Junior Master Gardener Class for children ages 9-11 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays through June 10 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens in Ann Arbor. In this hands-on program, participants and their parents will explore various gardening topics in a casual atmosphere. Cost for the class is \$35. For application and deadline information or for additional details, call (734) 997 1678.

Hospice training

Heartland Hospice, 3840 Packard in Ann Arbor, is looking for caring, dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and Monroe counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running and clerical services. Call Ann Christensen, volunteer coordinator (734) 973 1145 for more information.

Fish Fry

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

Foster Care

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

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The Sarah Ann Cochrane Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, meets the third Monday of each month except January, July and August. A group with ancestors who fought in the American Revolution. Members participate in community work involving veteran's hospitals, schools and community service. Call (734) 420 2775 for further information.

German/American Club of Plymouth

Meets on the third Thursday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, located at 39100 Schoolcraft Road, Plymouth. Call Mary Ann at (734) 420 0857 for further information.

American Legion

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

Woman's Farm and Garden Club-Plymouth

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

Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club

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

ALBION COLLEGE

Several local students were named to the Albion College Dean's List at the completion of the spring 2004 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed during the semester.

Darcy Crain graduated earlier this month, earning a majoring in psychology. She is the daughter of James Crain and Audrey Crain of Northville and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Brandon Hill is a sophomore majoring in biology and minoring in French. He is the son of James Hill and Merilyn Hill of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School.

Ryan Johnson is a sophomore majoring in economics and management and minoring in history. He is the son of Carlton Johnson and Phyllis Johnson of Plymouth and a graduate of Uni of Detroit Jesuit High School.

Sarah Paciocco is a sophomore at Albion College. She is the daughter of Tarcisio Paciocco and Jennifer Paciocco of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Caroline Reinhart was further named an Albion College fellow, recognizing the achievement of a 3.7 grade point average for three consecutive on-campus semesters and successful completion of four units of credit during each of those semesters. Reinhart is a senior majoring in anthropology and sociology and minoring in English with a concentration in women's studies. She is the daughter of Fred Reinhart and Cindy Reinhart of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Several local students graduated from Albion College on May 8. **Darcy A. Crain** graduated summa cum laude receiving a degree in psychology, with departmental honors. Crain was one of only 21 students in a class of more than 326 to write a senior thesis, hers was titled "Children's Stereotypes Based on Skin Color: An Innovative Approach." For this outstanding achievement, Crain was awarded her degree with honors in her

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major academic department.

Crain is the daughter of James Crain and Audrey Crain of Northville and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

Stephen G. Gordon received a degree in economics and management and speech communication. Gordon is the son of Gregory Gordon and Judith Gordon of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Salem High School.

Kirstin A. Leiby graduated summa cum laude receiving a degree in psychology and anthropology and sociology with a concentration in human services, with Albion College honors. Leiby was one of only 25 students in a class of 326 to complete the College's Honors Institute Requirements. Honors Institute members were required to complete additional coursework, maintain better than a 3.5 grade point average, and write an honors thesis. Leiby's thesis, titled "The Problems of Social Desirability: Continuous Response Measures of Social Judgments," earned her the distinction of graduating with College honors.

Leiby is the daughter of Clare Leiby of Farmington Hills and Sandra Randall of Plymouth and a graduate of Southfield High School.

Alexander J. Oatley received a degree in computer science and religious studies. Oatley is the son of Jon Oatley and Diana Oatley of Plymouth and a graduate of Plymouth-Canton High School.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

The following staff members from the University of Michigan College of Engineering, in your area, have earned the 2003 Excellence in Staff Service Awards. **Linda Cox** of Plymouth, student services associate in the Department of electrical Engineering and Computer Science. Awards go to individual College of Engineering employees who show sustained excellence at the college, or teams of employees who pool their skills to tackle a problem. Individual winners receive \$1,500 and team members received \$1,000 each, and a framed award citation.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE

The following students from Plymouth graduated

from Schoolcraft College at the end of the winter 2004 semester. **Suzanne E. Abdey**, **Michele Mary Baldori**, **Jennifer Annessa Bell**, **Casey Lynn Brant**, **Krista Melam Bufford**, **Shelia Alison Bufford**, **Edward Thomas Cann**, **Leeha Marie Chmeleski**, **Inkyung Catherine Chung**, **Ioana Dana Cucurel**, **Marissa Dequima Coloma**, **Amanda Marie Coon**, **Ellen Jane Crowley**, **Jeffrey Allen Daugherty**, **Lynn M. DeGrande**, **Shawn Erin Downing**, **Anne Marie Dunn**, **Lisa Marie Figiel**, **Georgina Lynne Fitzgerald**, **Ronald W. Gallinger**, **Edwin D. Good**, **Sara Elizabeth Goshorn**, **Sandra Jane Groth**, **Stephanie Ann Groth**, **Ryan Charles Guenther**, **Virginia Lois Harmon**, **Sara D. Hensel**, **Dawn Marie Holappa**, **Jeffrey Matthew Holloway**, **Gurleen Kaur Hora**, **Randeep Singh Hora**, **James Keith Hyde**, **Michael Gregg Jacobs**, **Zsuzsanna Jeffery**, **Katie Marie Jones**, **Samantha Gayle Juranek**, **Emily Marie Kaartunen**, **Claire Eileen Kazen**, **Eric Charles Konarske**, **Brian Paul Koppe**, **Dianne Marie Kozlowski**, **Douglas William Krug**, **Brenda Kay Leavens**, **Roxanne Lindquist**, **Debbie Ann Lis**, **Beverly Jo List**, **Daniel Matthew Majewski**, **Daniel Matthew Majewski**, **Amanda Dawn Marsonok**, **Gregory S. May**, **Maria Promise McCarty**, **Vickie D. McKinnon**, **Caley R. Mullen**, **Duy Nam Franky Nguyen**, **Carolyn E. Nippa**, **Hillary Beth O'Brien**, **Dawn Denise Ogg**, **Sharon Marie Pószwyak**, **Ingra Rena Powell**, **Eric Wayne Reynolds**, **Brandon Robert Schneider**, **Jaime Lynn Schwartz**, **Joshua A. Scott**, **Chris H. Seavitt**, **Lisa Marie Kathleen Senkbeil**, **Ian D. Shephard**, **Cathie Ellen Smith**, **Kerri Lynn Sochocki**, **Alex David Stamp**, **Joseph Louis Tantaló**, **Irene V. Tenenbuch**, **Arthur Randall Thomas**, **Amy Lynn Tootz**, **Kate Beth Walker**, **Nicole Frances Walters**, **Lois Mary Watson**, **Nancy Jean Whitecar**, **Amy Marie Wolfe** and **Ram Lynn Zafar**.

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Sean Kenney of Canton made the Dean's List for the March 2004 session for the College of Technologies. To make the list, students had to reach a grade-point average of 3.5 or better.



PHYLLIS BECK

Age 64, May 25, 2004. Beloved wife of Ronald. Dear mother of Scott (Reagan), Stephen, Stephanie (Mike), Pezzetti, Ross (Dana), Grandmother of 9. Sister of William (Joyce) Bain. Longtime member of Livonia Youth Commission. Memorials suggested to the American Heart Association.

KERRY A. PATTISON

Age 87 of Northville/Plymouth. Beloved wife of the late Norman Loving mother of Daniel (Mary), Dear sister of 5. Adored grandmother of 3 and great grandmother of 5. She was a partner in the Roy Dean Products Company in Dearborn. She was past Matron of Eastern Star Chapter 77 of Northville. Past President of the Northville Garden Club and Past President of Vivians Club, Plymouth Flks. She was an avid golfer and was an excellent artist. Visitation will be held Tuesday 10am until Noon with the Funeral Service at Noon at Casterline Funeral Home Inc., 122 W. Dunlap Northville. Memorial contributions to Michigan Masonic Home Charitable Foundation, 1200 Wright Ave. Alma MI 48801 would be appreciated.

HARRY EDGAR REED

Age 83 of Rochester Hills passed away May 22, 2004. Loving husband of Donna. Dear father of Harry Eldrid (Lian) Reed, Betsy J. (Joseph) Priest, Perry D. Reed and David J. Reed. Grandfather of Jennifer, Matthew, Justin and Troy. Brother of Marie Hackney. Mr. Reed was a Mason in Cleveland, OH and was a Shriner in Detroit. Funeral service 11:00AM Wednesday, June 2, 2004 at the Potere Modetz Funeral Home, 339 Walnut Blvd., Rochester. The family will receive friends Tuesday 3-8 p.m. Suggested memorial to American Diabetes Association or the Shrimers Online guestbook at www.modetzfuneralhomes.com.

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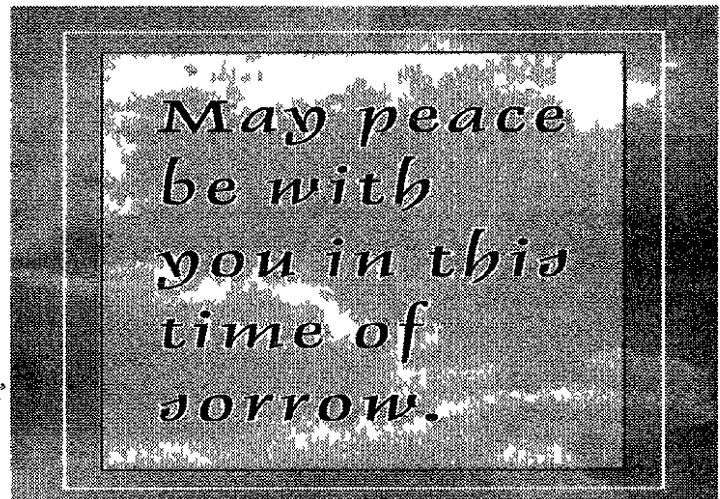
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DOMINIC BENJAMIN VETTESE

Age 84 of Northville died May 28, 2004. He was born March 22, 1920 in Detroit. He was a resident of the Plymouth and Northville communities for 31 years. He served in the United States Army during World War II. He was an avid golfer and sports enthusiast. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Armda Dolly, his children, Diane (Paul) Dell, Fr. Donald Vettese SJ, Darrell (Margaret) Vettese David (Catherine) Vettese, Donna (Michael) Smith and Dennis (Marv.) Vettese, 13 grandchildren and six great grandchildren, his sister Irene Patek. He is preceded in death by one grandchild. A private Roman Catholic Mass will be celebrated with immediate family. Interment will be private. Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements entrusted to Schrader Howell Funeral Home (734) 453 3333.

JACK L. WISE

82, died May 24, 2004 in Jacksonville, FL. Born in Toledo, OH, the long time Rochester resident is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Audrey (Kirwen) sons Jack, William and Robert, daughters Suzanne and Sally, and 10 grandchildren. The avid golfer was a WWII Marine fighter pilot and flight instructor rising to the rank of Captain. A University of Toledo mechanical engineering graduate, his career in the Detroit auto industry began as a project engineer at Ford. He subsequently worked as a design supervisor with Chrysler's engineering division and later as vice president of sales for automotive suppliers Soss Manufacturing Co. and then Hawthorne Metal Products Co. until his retirement. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. June 1, at St. Joseph Cemetery in Fremont, OH. Memorial contributions for Pick's Disease research may be made to Mayo Foundation, Department of Development, 4500 San Pablo Road, Jacksonville, FL 32224. Arrangements are by Keller-Ochs Koch Funeral Home.



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Take It From Ernie

Ernie Harwell

On the road, keep up exercising

If you travel a lot for work, like I did for so many years, it can be difficult to maintain healthy habits. The secret is to watch what you eat and drink and to develop a routine that includes some exercise and to follow it religiously.

When I was traveling with the Tigers, I had a routine of waking up at 7 a.m., eating a light breakfast and then walking for about 45 minutes to an hour. For many of those years, I

Try developing a routine of getting out for a walk or a light jog in the morning.

was joined by Tigers manager Sparky Anderson. Afterward, I'd relax a bit, do some work, have a light lunch and then go to the ballpark.

If you spend a lot of time traveling, try developing a routine of getting out for a walk or a light jog in the morning. It's a great way to start the day, get some exercise and take in the sights wherever you are.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's longgggg gone!

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 Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan public appearances writing traveling and taking long walks with Miss Lulu his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book a collection of his baseball columns titled *Life After Baseball* is available at local book stores or by calling (800) 245 5082.

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Genetic disease causes life-threatening tumors

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

A 29-year old Oakland County woman with Von Hippel-Lindau wants to talk about the little known disease in hopes of reaching people who have it, but haven't been diagnosed.

People like her are telling their stories during a national VHL Alliance support group campaign, Early Detection Empowers Us, spearheaded by 27 U.S. and 14 worldwide chapters.

VHL is a genetic condition involving the abnormal growth of blood vessels forming tumors mostly in the brain and spinal cord, retina, adrenal gland, kidneys, some reproductive organs and the pancreas.

Diagnosing the disease is critically important in order to preserve vision, since laser surgery is highly effective in treating the retinal abnormalities, said Dr. Francis Collins, director of National Genome Research Institute at the National Institutes of Health.

Close monitoring of the risks of kidney cancer is also important since early detection of these tumors can be lifesaving.

There are also many lifestyle concerns, such as whether or not to have children since there is a 50 percent chance that a child of an affected person will have the condition.

The Oakland County woman, we'll call Jan, didn't want her name released for fear that it would jeopardize her job and future promotions.

"My health would easily be threatened if I wasn't able to receive all of the scans and doctor appointments I need, and I rely on my health insurance to be able to afford it all," Jan said. I have no outward signs or symptoms.

She is among approximately one in 32,000 people in every ethnic group worldwide with VHL, which is about the same prevalence as muscular dystrophy. Unfortunately, VHL patients don't have a celebrity sponsor, like Jerry Lewis, fighting for their cause

and raising millions of dollars for research. Breakthroughs however have been made.

Advances in medical genetics imaging, laser treatments and surgical procedures now make it possible for many people with VHL to lead relatively normal lives. Collins said. With the successful completion of the Human Genome Project last year, there exists the possibility of developing new and more effective therapies in the future, based on a full molecular understanding of how the VHL gene works and what happens when it carries a misspelling.

Researchers believe a cure is attainable within 30 years according to VHL Alliance brochures.

Jan learned she had VHL when she was 10. A retinal eye exam revealed a tumor and additional scans found cysts in her pancreas. Doctors also found a non-VHL brain tumor that probably wouldn't have been detected as early as it was if they hadn't been looking for VHL tumors.

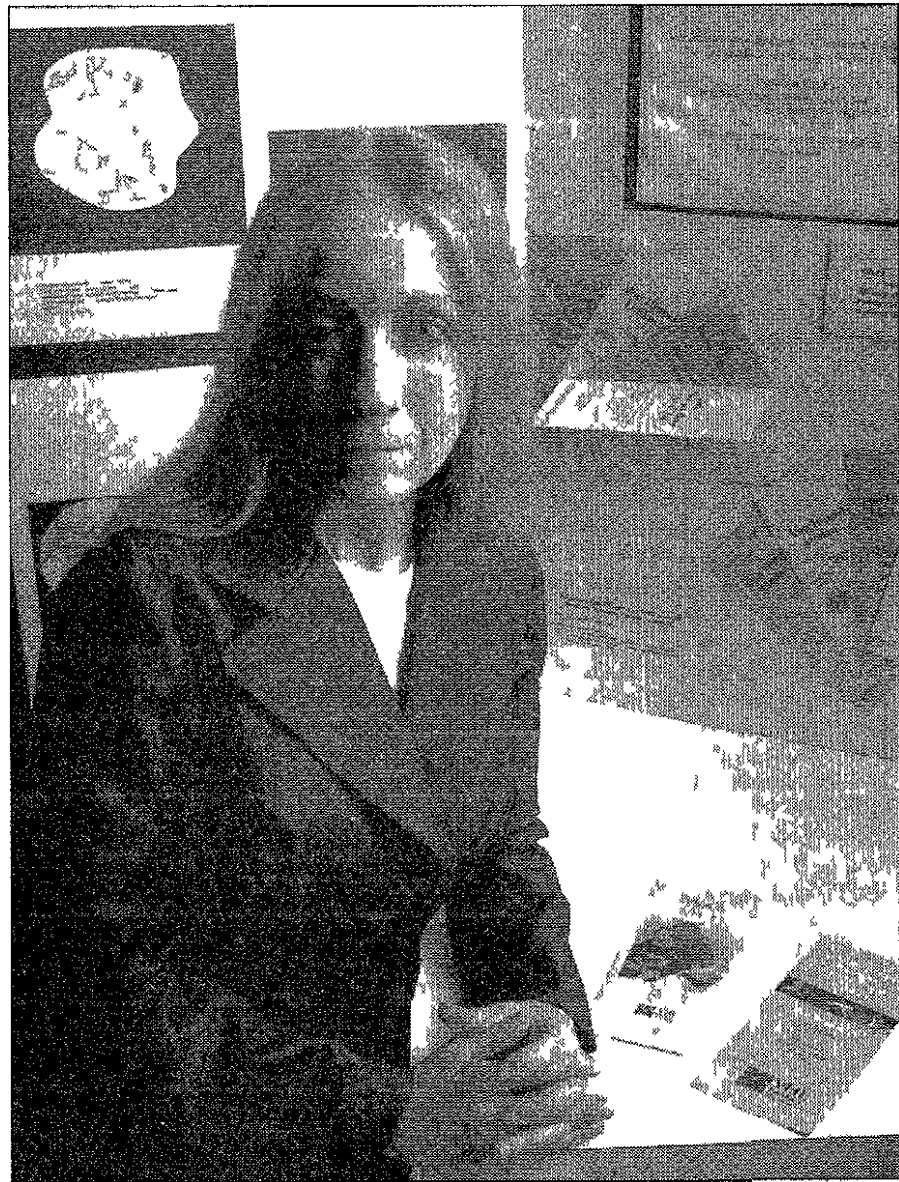
Every part of my body that could be impacted by VHL is scanned or examined yearly, Jan said. Tumors are removed early before I develop any symptoms.

Jan has had many laser treatments for retinal hemangiomas in both eyes and lesions are treated immediately.

Patients should consider the possibility of having VHL if more than one person in their family has had kidney cancer, brain tumors or eye tumors.

That could be a tipoff that there may be something going on in the family and if so the main thing would be to raise that possibility, said Dr. James Montie, University of Michigan Medical Centers chairman of the department of urology and Valassis Professor of Urologic Oncology. It's rare enough that it's not something you would think out of the blue.

If VHL is suspected doctors typically order computed tomography (CT) scans or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI). Ultrasound may be used to screen kidneys, testes and pelvises.



Fran Mott presents and distributes information about VHL, a little known genetic disease.

Most importantly, find a good doctor, who is willing to help coordinate with other specialists to make sure you receive exams for all potentially affected areas, Jan said. Also finding tumors early and educating yourself about VHL are the keys to managing this disease successfully.

In some cases, early detection has saved a patient from having major organs removed unnecessarily. In other cases, it's made the difference between life and death.

The disease can be different in every patient even in the same family, said Fran Mott, VHL Alliance.

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How do overuse injuries occur?

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- acute injuries (pulls, tears, collisions, etc)
- accumulation of small tears (micro trauma)
- not getting enough oxygen (hypoxia)

Each of these factors can cause your body to produce tough, dense scar tissue in the affected area. This scar tissue binds up and ties down tissues that need to move freely. As scar tissue builds up, muscles become shorter and weaker, tension on tendons causes tendonitis, and nerves can become trapped. This can cause reduced range of motion, loss of strength, and pain. If a nerve is trapped you may also feel tingling, numbness, and weakness.

What is an ART treatment like?

Every ART session is actually a combination of examination and treatment. The ART provider uses his or her hands to evaluate the texture, tightness, and movement of muscles, fascia, tendons, ligaments, and nerves. Abnormal tissues are treated by combining precisely directed tension with very specific patient movements.

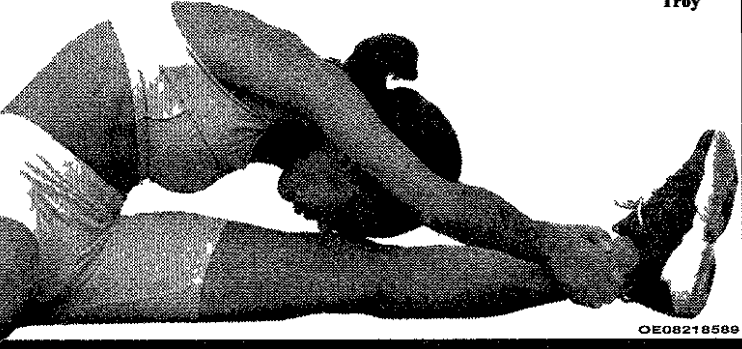
These treatment protocols - over 500 specific moves - are unique to ART. They allow providers to identify and correct the specific problems that are affecting each individual patient. ART is not a cookie cutter approach.

"Of all the different types of doctors I've seen during the last few years to help with injuries I've had, none have been as thorough and knowledgeable with regard to how the entire body works as Dr. Dave and Dr. Karen of Greater Michigan Chiropractic."

- Livonia's Sheila Taromina, Olympic Gold Medalist Swimmer, 11 time NCAA All American Swimmer, Top Ranked Team U.S.A. Triathlete

In one session, Dr. Slota provided far superior results than the three weeks of physical therapy and a total of eight weeks of shoulder non-use. I left Dr. Slota's office that day with zero pain and full strength in my shoulder.

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Mothers-to-be encouraged to donate umbilical cords

The Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute is urging expectant mothers giving birth at Hutzel Women's Hospital to donate their umbilical cords which have the proven potential to save another child's life. The post-birth umbilical cord donations are essential in the Institute's efforts to save lives through stem cells found in umbilical cord blood. The Institute's program is especially beneficial to young African American cancer patients.

Umbilical cords are rich in stem cells, the building blocks for the body's bloodstream and immune system. These stem cells can be injected into a young cancer patient's blood

stream in lieu of a bone marrow transplant. According to the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP), African Americans have only a 30 percent chance of finding a stem cell match within their own families and often require healthy stem cells from an unrelated individual, typically another African American. Only 8 percent of the cord stem cells in NMDP's national registry are from African Americans.

African American children in need of bone marrow stem cell transplants are up against horrific odds," said John Ruckdeschel, M.D., president and CEO, Karmanos Cancer Institute. "Minority groups are genetically more

diverse which makes finding an identically matched stem cell donor much more difficult. The Institute has partnered with the National Marrow Donor Program and Hutzel Women's Hospital, which has an extremely high number of minority births each year, to increase the supply of stem cells available to African American cancer patients throughout the country.

In 2001, the Karmanos Cancer Institute opened the J.P. McCarthy Stem Cell Bank and the Carls Foundation Stem Cell Processing Laboratory, becoming the first public institution in the United States to create a minority-focused umbilical cord

stem cell bank. The bank currently has over 244 units suitable for transplantation in its freezers, 90 percent of which are from African American donors. The program is doing well, having supported transplants both in the United States and internationally. The Institute is committed to building upon this success increasing the donation program so that more lives can be saved.

The Institute's minority focused umbilical cord stem cell bank was created in large part through \$1 million dollar contributions from the J.P. McCarthy Foundation and The Carls Foundation. Donations to the Institute's stem cell bank are listed

with the National Marrow Donor Program's national registry. While the Institute's cord stem cell bank's focus is minority donations, the Institute does not exclude any expectant mother delivering at Hutzel Women's Hospital that wishes to contribute.

"In metro Detroit, nearly 42 percent of all Wayne County residents and more than 80 percent of Detroit residents are African American," said Ruckdeschel. "Our program is saving lives. With more donations, we will be able to save more."

For more information about the Umbilical Cord Blood Stem Cell program, call (800) KARMANOS (527-6266).

MEDICAL DATEBOOK

JUNE

Annual Golf Classic

Support the Providence Health Foundation by donating an item or gift certificate of a minimum of \$50 cash which will go toward the purchase of raffle items, auction items or door prizes, or buy advertising space in Ad Book for the 25th Annual Golf Classic to be held Monday, June 7. Net proceeds from the Golf Classic will benefit Providence Hospital's Care of the Poor Endowment and the Thea Bowman Community Health Center. Your gift will ensure that every patient continues to receive quality, compassionate care regardless of their ability to pay. For more information, call Sherry Licata at (248) 849-3087 or send e-mail to Sherry.Licata@providence.stjohnhealth.org.

Getting the Red Out

Learn to let go of anger and grudges in a seminar with educator Sandy Baumann 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 8 and 15 at Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty between Six Mile and Seven Mile, Livonia. Cost is \$48. To register, call (734) 462-4448 or go online www.schoolcraftccmi.us/ces. Gain skill in recognizing the steps of escalating anger in others, discover a wealth of tips to deal with your own anger, and find ways to let go.

Look Good Feel Better

For 15 years the program has provided women undergoing cancer treatment the tools to help them cope with the appearance-related side effects of chemotherapy and radiation and help them regain a sense of competence and control. Through a partnership between the Cosmetic Toiletry and Fragrance Association, National Cosmetology Association and

American Cancer Society, this free national public service program teaches women how to camouflage the side effects through use of cosmetics, wigs and scarves 9:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, June 14, in the Center for Cancer Care conference room at Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center, 18101 Oakwood, Dearborn. For more information, call (800) ACS-2345 or visit www.lookgoodfeelbetter.org. To register, call (800) 543-WELL or (313) 436-2241.

Meningitis vaccines

Many schools and pediatricians recommend meningitis vaccines for college-bound students who will be living in dorms or group settings. Oakwood Healthcare System is offering the vaccine at Oakwood Hospital & Medical Center, atrium, 18101 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn 3:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, June 15 and Oakwood Annapolis Hospital, doctor's dining room at 33155 Annapolis Road, Wayne 3:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, July 13. The cost is \$75. A parent or guardian must accompany students under 18. Clinics are on a walk-in basis; no appointment necessary. Call (313) 586-5492.

St. Mary Golf Classic

Win a Jag and Support Cancer Care at the ninth annual St. Mary Mercy Hospital Golf Classic Friday, June 25 at Cattails Golf Club in South Lyon. Proceeds from the event are designated for cancer services and programs provided at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. Golfers will meet Joe Gagnon, The Appliance Doctor, WXYT 1270 AM, who is serving as this year's Golf Classic honorary chairperson. The 18-hole scramble features two shotgun starts: a morning round at 7:30 a.m. and an afternoon round at 1:30 p.m. Non-sponsorship golf is \$200 per person for 18 holes of golf and a cart.

Beverages, refreshments at the turn a golfer's packet and door prizes are included. A continental breakfast and luncheon will be available for morning golfers. The afternoon round of golf will be followed by cocktails and dinner. Non-golfers can attend the event for lunch and cocktails only for \$100. Jaguar of Novu will challenge each golfer's hole-in-one skills by offering an opportunity to win one of four Jaguars on each Par 3 hole. Over \$500,000 worth of Jaguars will be displayed on the course. Jaguar is also sponsoring a \$100,000 Shoot Out where golfers can try their luck at a 165-yard hole in one. Shoot Out. The outing fills up quickly so call early. Corporate sponsorships are still available. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-1580 before May 31. For more information, please visit the Web site at www.stmarymercy.org.

Women's Healthcare Classic

The 12th annual Women's Healthcare Classic golf outing is scheduled for Monday, June 28 at the Grosse Ile Golf & Country Club. The WHC raises money for women's programs for Oakwood Healthcare System. The WHC presented by Masco will host women from all over Michigan who will enjoy a day of golf, an appearance by LPGA professional Judy Rankin, lunch, golf clinics, an awards reception and dinner. An individual golf package for women only is \$200. Additionally, the Friends of the Women's Healthcare Classic will be held on June 28 at the Tournament Players Club (TPC) of Michigan in Dearborn. This event offers men, women and corporate groups the opportunity to enjoy a day of golf at the prestigious TPC of Michigan while supporting the WHC. The outing includes a continental breakfast, morning shotgun start

lunch, awards and an afternoon social reception. Sponsorship opportunities still exist for this separate outing. For more information or to register to golf, visit www.oakwood.org or call (313) 586-5346.

UPCOMING

Hawgs for Hearts

A Motorcycle Poker Run to benefit St. Mary Mercy Hospital's Cardiology Services will take place on Sunday, July 25. The ride to Hell, Michigan, and back begins at 1 p.m. and ends at 6 p.m. There will be five Poker card Draws along the way, along with food, awards, entertainment and motorcycle vendor booths. Registration is event day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, 36475 Five Mile at Levan, Livonia. For directions or additional information, visit the Web site at www.stmarymercy.org. Sponsorships are available and currently being accepted. All sponsors and in-kind donors will receive recognition. Fee for the Motorcycle Poker Run is \$10 per rider and \$5 per passenger. All street-legal motorcycles and enthusiasts welcome. For sponsorship details or more information, call (734) 655-2980.

ONGOING

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College offers a free Divorce Support Group 7-9 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in Room 225 of the McDowell Center on campus, 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. The group provides a forum for discussion, receiving and sharing of information for those contemplating in the process of or having difficulty adjust

ing to divorce. For more information, call the WRC at (734) 462-4443.

Adult grief support group

A self-help support group for any adult grieving the death of a loved one meets the first and third Monday of the month at 2:30 p.m. at Community Hospice and Palliative Care, 32932 Warren Road, Suite 100, Westland. No charge. Open to all. For more information, call (734) 522-4244.

Breast feeding support

La Leche League of Livonia offers breastfeeding information and support 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday of every month. For more information, call Sarah at (734) 266-0632 or Jane (248) 471-4232.

Volunteers needed

The Alzheimer's Association is seeking individuals who are interested in providing information and support to callers dealing with issues about Alzheimer's disease and related Dementias. Alzheimer's is a progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys mental capabilities. Help for individuals affected by Alzheimer's can be found at the association's helpline and through other services provided by the offices in Southfield. To volunteer, call Rebecca Reiten at (800) 337-3827 Ext. 240.

Prenatal Yoga

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering an ongoing Prenatal Yoga class 5-6 p.m. Thursdays in Classroom 1 at the Marian Women's Center at the hospital, 36475 Five Mile Road at Levan, Road, Livonia. For more information or to register, call (734) 655-1145. Through traditional yoga poses and postures, the mom-to-be will strengthen mind and body to help adjust peacefully to the daily changes of pregnancy. This class also includes guided meditation and relaxation.

techniques that will increase expectant moms' awareness, confidence and focus. The expectant mom can experience a deeper connection with her baby while creating a safe and healthy environment to begin life. This program is safe for all trimesters.

Research volunteer opportunities

Beaumont Hospital needs volunteers for research in a variety of areas, including blood pressure, breast cancer, bronchitis, diabetes, Parkinson's, prostate cancer, urinary incontinence in women, and dialysis grafts. For more information, call Beaumont's Outpatient Clinical Research Center at (888) 80 STUDY.

Healthy cooking classes

Classes continue with Valerie Wilson, a whole foods chef who's been teaching cooking classes since 1997 and is the author of "Perceptions in Healthy Cooking." Call (734) 261-2856 or visit www.macroval.com.

Volunteer opportunities

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital has multiple opportunities. Volunteers are needed to install Lifeline units in clients' homes. No experience needed; training provided. There is also a need for volunteers to escort patients to departments within the hospital and to visit with newly admitted patients. For more information about these and other opportunities, call Volunteer Services at (734) 712-4159.

Meningitis Vaccinations

Meningitis vaccinations for college-bound high school students are being offered through Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan by appointment only during May and June in its office at 25900 Greenfield Suite 600, Oak Park. The cost is \$85. Call (800) 882-5720 Ext. 8755 for more information or visit www.vna.org.

GENETIC

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Michigan Chapter chairperson, a VHL patient and VHL advocate. Every type of tumor VHL

patients get can be found in the general population and may not be VHL," she added. "That's what makes this disease so difficult," Mott said.

Finding a doctor who is able to recognize VHL tumors is "enormously important,"

said Dr. David Ginsburg, University of Michigan professor of internal medicine and medical genetics.

Being their own advocate is key," Ginsburg added. "If you have doubts, get another opinion. Good doctors don't mind when patients want to

get another opinion."

He also stressed the importance of using support groups, like VHL Alliance, to be in contact with and glean insights from people who deal with the disease daily.

Like Deborah Grace Coleman of Canton, who fought for VHL awareness until her death two years ago,

Steven, learned she had VHL after reading a story May 31, 1998, in the Health section of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

Six months after the couple was married on Valentine's Day 1976, Deborah had her first brain tumor surgery. She was 19 years old. Before she died, she had 10 brain tumor surgeries.

After reading the story, she inquired about VHL, learned she had the condition and went to the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md., for tests.

One of Deborah's ministries in "our Christian life," Coleman said, was to comfort people who were awaiting brain surgery.

Steven, a pilot for American Eagle Airlines, has taken on the crusade.

"VHL needs to be announced to the world," he said.

"The beauty is that they have different surgical techniques and they're working on the magic bullet, pharmaceutically."

For information on VHL, call the national VHL Alliance at (800) 767-4VHL or Mott at (248) 887-8617. Visit the VHL Web site at www.vhl.org.

VHL symptoms not always obvious

The symptoms may be subtle to begin with or severe. Many other health problems can have the same symptoms, making it hard to identify VHL from symptoms alone.

Symptoms can include, but are not limited to:

Larger kidney tumors — flank pain, flank mass, blood in urine.

Adrenal gland tumors and paragangliomas — hypertensive crisis, episodic anxiety,

panic attacks, rage attacks or sweating, intermittent or sustained hypertension (high or spiking blood pressure), and headaches and palpitations.

Brain and spine tumors — headache (especially unexplained headache that stays in one place for more than a day), nausea and/or vomiting, focal pain, motor or coordination problems, difficulty walking, wide-based gait, positional vertigo, sensory loss,

numbness, tingling or weakness in arms or legs, eye shaking and incontinence.

Retinal tumors in the eye — pain, change in the quality or field of vision, glaucoma, retinal detachment and blindness.

Endolymphatic sac tumors (may be called middle ear tumors) — part or complete hearing loss.

Pancreas tumors and cysts — usually no symptoms.

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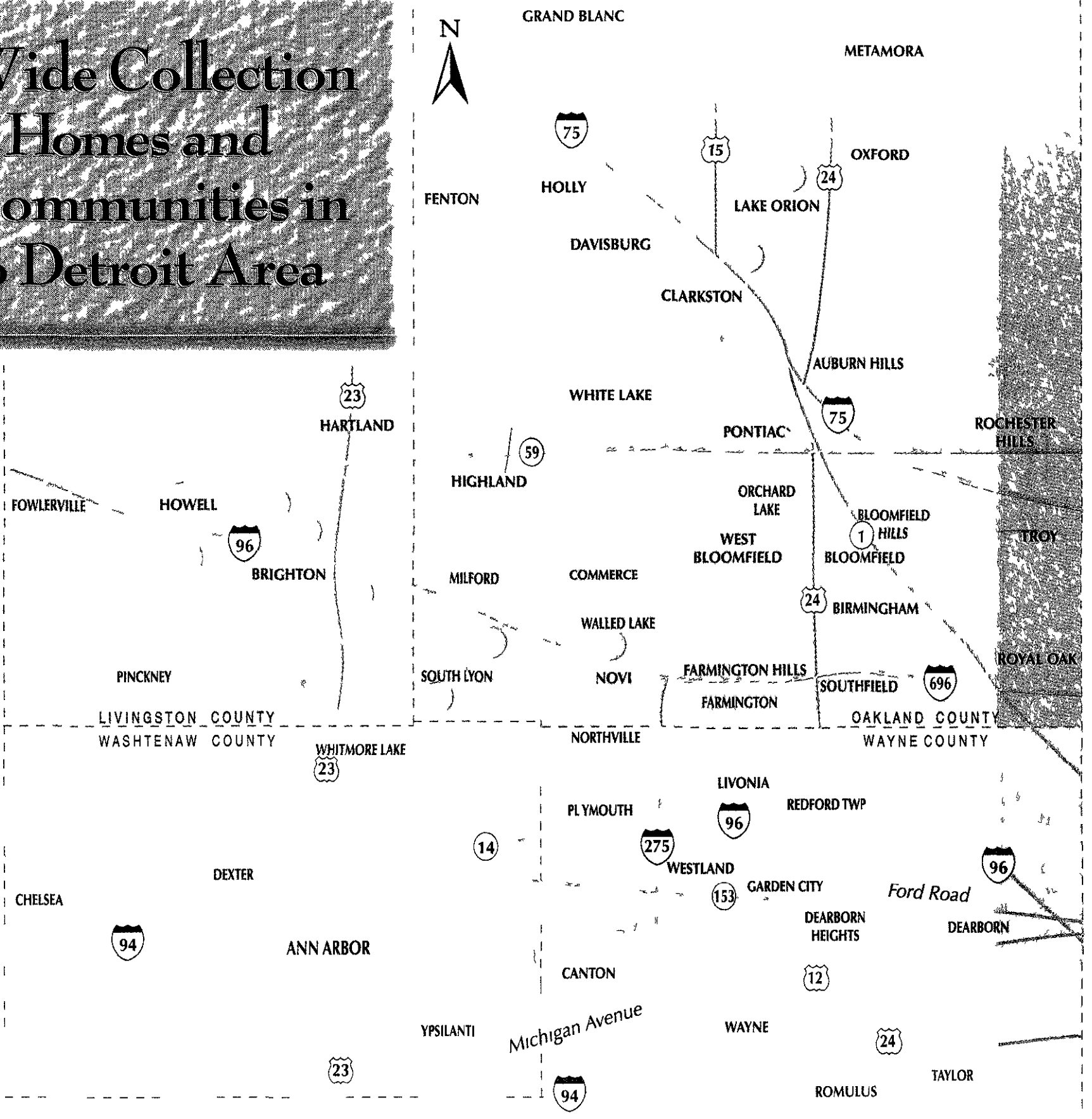
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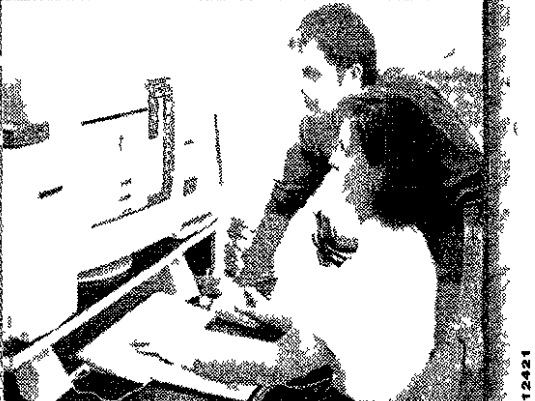
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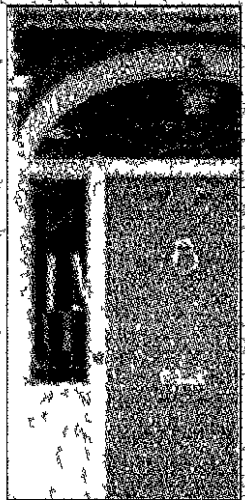
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Maybury Park Estates suits growing family's needs

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CORRESPONDENT

Searching for a bigger house for his growing family, Mark Merucci hit pay dirt in Novi.

No question about it. After all, Merucci knows dirt. His Titan Top Soil Co., Farmington Hills, supplies dirt to homeowners and landscapers.

"I was very familiar with the area," Merucci said. "Being in the topsoil business, I haul material into quite a few new neighborhoods and I've researched them all, this one in particular," he said of Maybury Park Estates where construction is under way on his family's new home.

"I really liked the wooded home site aspect," he said. "The location near freeways, and I liked the product that this company has built before."

Now living in a 1,300 square foot older ranch in downtown Northville, the Meruccis will be able to stretch out, he

'I was very familiar with the area.'

Mark Merucci
buying a home in Maybury Park Estates

said, in their new 4,214 square foot house with its four bedrooms, three baths, two half-baths, living room, formal dining room, great room, library, gourmet kitchen, covered porches and more.

"It's quite a jump," Merucci said and thinks this will be an ideal family home where he and his wife, Suzanne, can enjoy life with their two boys, ages 5 and 3, and the girl she's going to deliver "any day now."

The Meruccis will be among the first residents of this new development that is planned to eventually have 106 homes



Larch is the largest of eight models in Maybury Park Estates. It's 5,450 square feet, has four bedrooms, and is priced at \$809,900.



Aspen is the second largest of eight model homes offered in Maybury Park Estates. This 4,657-square-foot home has four bedrooms and is priced at \$719,900.

BUYER'S GUIDE

Maybury Park Estates runs north off of Eight Mile Road just west of Beck Road in Novi.

The sales office is open 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Call (248) 735-8300 for more information.

Square footage of these homes ranges from 3,621 to 5,450. The cost ranges from \$600,000 to \$800,000.

Multi Building Company Inc., Plymouth, includes the following features in its homes. There are variations per individual plans.

Gourmet kitchens with choice of gas or electric appliances, walk-in pantries, jetted tubs in master baths, oak or ceramic flooring in some foyers and powder rooms, some studio or cathedral ceilings, marble fireplace surrounds with wood mantles, two 50-gallon water heaters, full basements, three-car dry-walled garages, steel sectional roll-up garage doors, 10-foot first-floor ceilings and 9-foot second floor ceilings, granite countertops in master baths, Mansfield china sinks in bathrooms, four-sided brick construction.

Maybury Park Estates is served by the Northville Public Schools system.

Today's power garages shift into high gear

(NAPSI) - Make room, muscle car and mini-van-today's power garage is emerging as a room in its own right. Not just spinning its wheels as a parking slot, the contemporary garage is a space for auto enthusiasts, gardeners and sports buffs - complete with its own tech-cued furniture and storage must-haves.

"The garage is fast becoming a favorite area for today's multi-activity families," says Doug Krieger, design director for Sauder. "Whether they're customizing a car or potting plants, Americans are transforming the garage into an environment for work and play."

Serious auto enthusiasts are driving the push toward well-ordered garages that can be shown off with pride. Such auto aficionados are clear on how a garage should look, opting for finished walls and floors, sleek furnishings, ample storage and durable work surfaces that add up to a cool place to work, and entertain fellow car buffs.

It's no wonder they can't keep the rest of the family out of the garage. Involvement in sports has risen almost 50 percent in the past two decades, according to the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research and eight out of ten or 85 million-households in America include a family member who gardens, says the American Nursery and Landscape Association. These and a host of other leisure pursuits also beg for garage storage.

"Today's garage deserves the same thoughtful design approach as other rooms in the

home," says Krieger. "It demands furnishings that are both sturdy and stylish." With designs like those from Sauder's Hot Rod Garage and Garage Boss collections, consumers have a wide choice of handsome, hard-working options.

In response to today's great garage expectations, Krieger and the Sauder design team suggest several tips for fashioning the contemporary garage into a multi-purpose space for the entire family.

Organize life's multitude of must-have items-from drill bits to tennis gear to garden tools-with a mix of closed cabinets and open shelving. The sturdy, affordable Garage Boss organization system, for example, solves a host of clutter-busting issues for the entire family. Featuring a rugged graystone finish, storage cabinets with doors can instantly transform a catch all garage into an orderly space. Open shelf storage units are fine for frequently used items, such as soccer balls and watering cans. Mesh fronts keep items safely in place.

Customize the garage for the serious hobbyist. For example, the family's dedicated car buff usually has very specific demands for a dream garage. Two-door and three-drawer storage cabinets, for example, can be combined and stacked to organize myriad small tools as well as larger-scaled equipment such as air compressors and battery chargers.

A workbench is to the garage what a sofa is to the living room. A mobile work island can be stowed under the workbench when not in use and readily rolled out to

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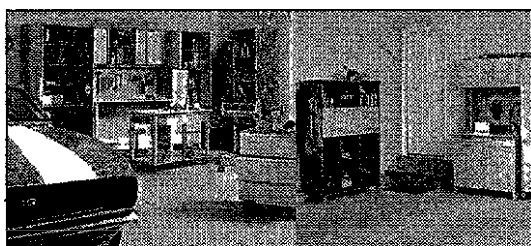
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Most of the exterior is lap siding with stucco relief trim. A small porch bounded by a wooden railing adds curb appeal, as do sidelights flanking the front door. Inside, these slender windows, along with the oval window in the door, brighten the entry. A doublewide closet is around the corner to the right.

Straight ahead is the comfortable great room, a large bright room that combines the functions of living room, dining room and kitchen. Three wide windows fill most of the back wall and more light spills down from above through four rectangular skylights.

A glass door on the left opens onto a small-railed deck that is also accessible from the master suite.

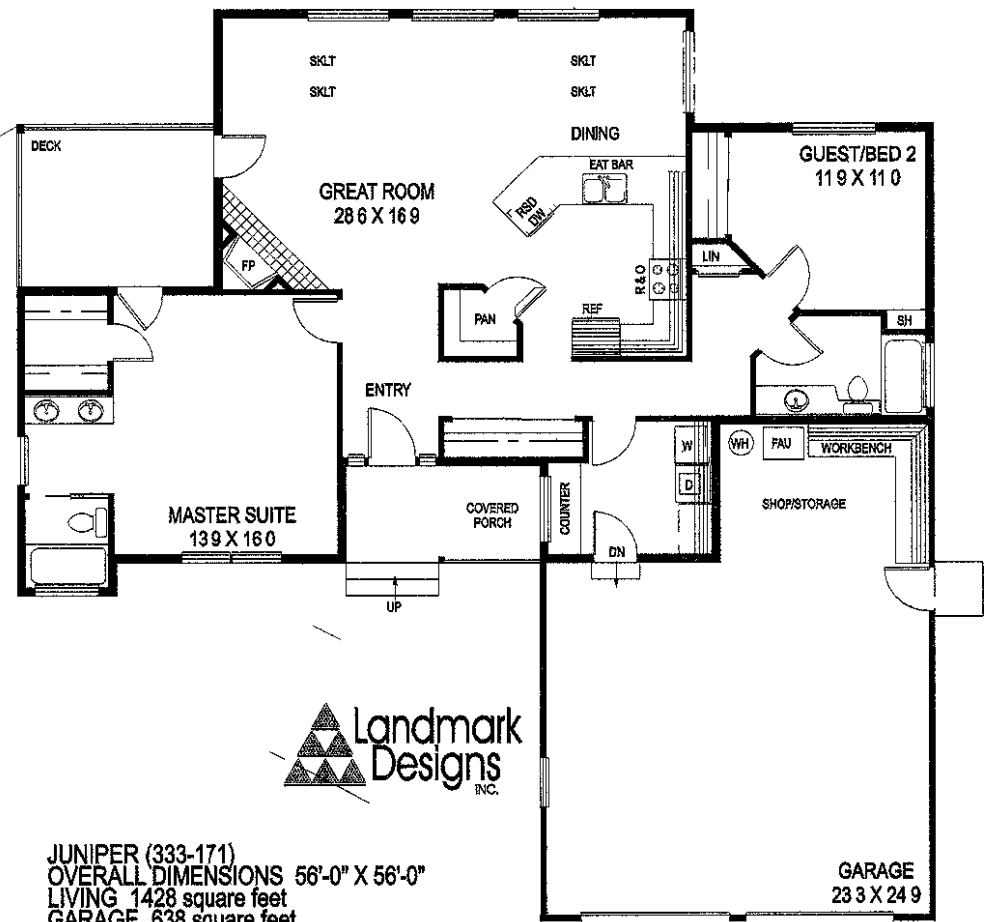
In the great room, a hearth of brick tile transects one corner, creating a warm focal point.

The large, open kitchen fills the other corner. A raised eating bar separates the dining area from the kitchen. Friends and neighbors will enjoy lingering here to chat while the owners deal with food preparation and cleanup. The



dishwasher is raised to minimize bending. Counter space is ample, and a large walk-in pantry augments the available storage capacity. Utilities are just a few steps away in a pass-through utility room complete with cabinets and a counter for folding clothes. The garage, too, has built-in cabinets and a long L-shaped workbench. The two sleeping rooms are on opposite sides of the great room. Amenities in the master suite include a walk-in closet, twin basins, and separately enclosed tub and toilet. The guest bedroom has a set of built-in shelves.

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(NAPSI) - Americans make over kitchens, bathrooms and living rooms. Now disorganized, chaotic, oil-stained garages are about to have a makeover of their own. For lots of people, it couldn't happen fast enough.

Fortunately, you may get a chance to win a complete \$10,000 garage makeover and get lots of easy suggestions on how you can turn your garage from shabby to showplace with just a dash of effort.

"Some people still think garages are just big sheds for cars and lawn mowers," says Jim Stunner, senior brand manager at Rust-Oleum, "but more and more people today are looking at their garages with renewed interest."

In fact, a recent survey conducted by the company shows that more than half of all homeowners - 55 percent -

are doing more than just storing their cars in their garages. They're using them as a place to work on hobbies and even to conduct business, with 45 percent of all homeowners spending one to two hours per week in their garages. For many of these people, however, the experience of spending time in their garage can't be too pleasant. 44 percent of them say their garage "looks like a junkyard."

Like many dreaming of a makeover today, those thinking about garage overhauls are feeling pretty creative. The survey found that nearly half-48 percent-of respondents would want home improvement pro Bob Vila as the celebrity to help with a makeover of their garages, followed by the team from TLC's *Trading Spaces* and the Fab Five from *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*. Only four percent chose

Martha Stewart to help with a garage makeover.

Naturally, the first place any garage makeover usually starts is the floor. More than a third of the survey respondents - 36 percent - had taken the time to clean the floor of their garage in the past month.

If you really want to do up your garage in grand style, enter 'America's Ultimate Garage' contest sponsored by Rust-Oleum and The Home Depot. Just snap a photo of your garage and describe what needs to be done to make it ideal. The winner will receive a \$10,000 garage makeover, the second prize winner will receive a \$5,000 garage makeover and 25 runners-up will receive free EPOXYShield

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For more information on the contest, official rules, or to enter online, visit epoxyshield.com and click on the 'America's Ultimate Garage Contest' link or visit the paint section within The Home Depot site at homedepot.com.

To enter by mail, include your first and last name, date of birth, address (including zip code), telephone num-

ber, color photograph of your garage and a description, in 300 words or less, of what your garage means to you, why you deserve a garage makeover and what makes for an ideal garage.

Mail entry in a stamped envelope to America's Ultimate Garage Contest, P.O. Box 39101, Chicago, IL 60639.

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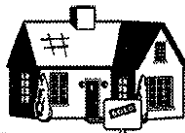
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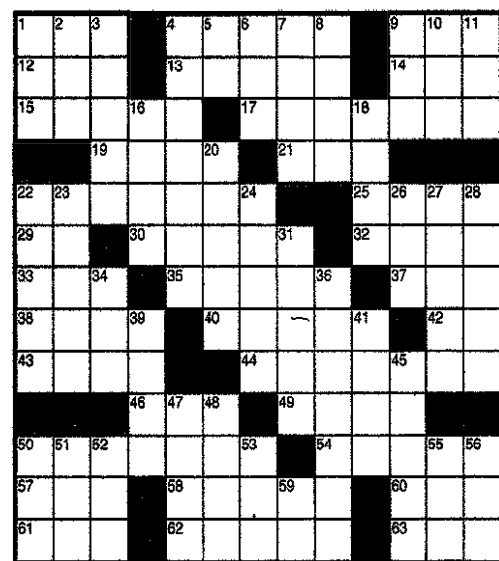
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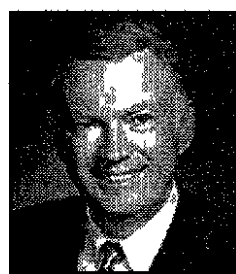
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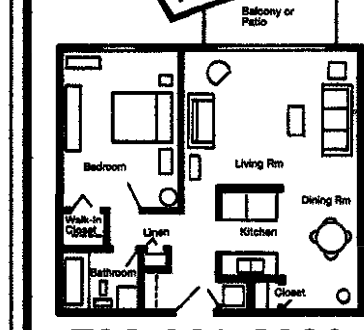
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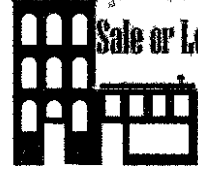
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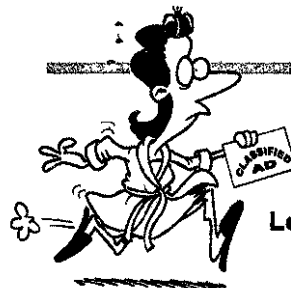
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Whip Your Home Office Into Shape

More and more people are firing up the family PC and working from home these days. In fact, according to the Bureau of Labor and Statistics, 19.8 million people worked from home in 2001, whether as full-time employees or to "catch up" on work they couldn't finish at the office. It has now become the norm for employees to take work home. In these times of company reorganization, downsizing and a fluctuating economy, work loads at home have become a viable solution for those who want to maintain a home life while keeping the boss happy.

Working at home requires a space dedicated as a "home office." Whether it's a corner of the dining room table, a desk in the basement or a private office, organizing it is essential for maintaining good business practices. Many people let clutter build up until it becomes

unmanageable, and then find themselves overwhelmed with the task of straightening up. A messy desk and chaotic filing system can drain your time, energy, focus and productivity. That's why you should follow these tips for getting your home office organized.

1. Dig into your piles. Don't despair over an unruly mess of paper piles. Devote a small amount of time to sifting through them daily. This makes the job more manageable, and if you stick to it, you will reach the end in no time.

2. Make the trash can your best friend. As soon as you sort through those papers, assess what you really need and what can be tossed. If you fear throwing things out, develop a two-can system. Put the "maybes" in one can and "definites" in another. This way you'll be able to retrieve items should you need them. Be sure

to dispose of the trash frequently.

3. Establish a filing system. Keep current files in a deep desk drawer or a filing cabinet within reach of your desk. Store items you use periodically in a less accessible location. Try color-coding files for better organization. On the electronic front, give computer documents logical names so you'll recall them faster.

4. Keep often-used items within reach. Items you use frequently should be kept on your desk. This includes pens, a calendar, a message pad and any other items that are part of your daily routine. Store a tape dispenser, a stapler, a calculator, paper, etc. in a desk drawer so they are accessible, but are not cluttering your surface space.

5. Establish "in" and "out" boxes. Use your in box to retrieve incoming papers and an outbox to

hold assignments you've completed before forwarding them to the appropriate person.

6. Create an efficient desk setup. Position your desk so that you can see people who approach the door. Place your computer monitor directly in front of you to discourage interruptions by family members. Make sure the phone, fax and printer are all within reach so you don't waste time getting up and down. Ensure that your desk chair is comfortable and fits your space.

7. Avoid jotting notes on small pads. "Sticky" pads and small note pads are great for some things, but important information should be better annotated. You don't want to lose a crucial phone number or associate's name. Use a bound notebook, like a spiral one, to hold all your notes. Mark the date and any notes you have for the day.

This way you'll be able to retrieve information fast and have a record of what business transpired.

Don't mix business with home life. Blending business and personal work at your desk is usually distracting. Resist having household paperwork like bills, catalogs, brochures and other personal items in your work space as they can distract you. Also, don't browse the Internet, talk on the phone for personal reasons or keep the television on during your work hours unless absolutely necessary.

9. Get family members to respect your space. Set up rules for your home office. If you use the family computer for your business dealings, be sure each member of the family has his or her own log-on identity so your work doesn't get altered or erased. Make sure your business papers and other items



ORGANIZE A HOME office and keep it clutter free to increase your productivity and efficiency.

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10. Know when to close up shop. Spending too many hours working can leave you drained and unfocused and may lead to careless errors. Recognize when it's time to shut down your computer and slip into your at-home role. Resist the temptation to do work after hours. A well-rested, focused employee is the most efficient one. EL046054

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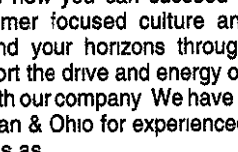
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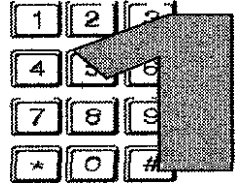
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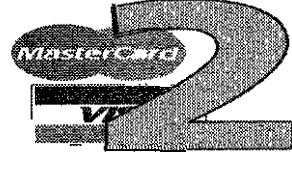
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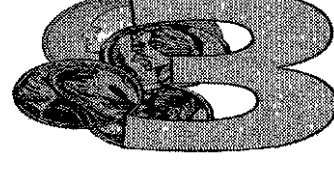
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SWF 5'4" 48 enjoys barbecued ribs funny movies page turning books Desires NWS N/A 40 55 that I can look up to who can make me laugh...

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DWF 47 54 medium build blue eyes long blonde hair smoker social drinker Enjoys traveling casinos fishing archery cards and more...

MAKE YOU SMILE

Respectable SBF 34 is looking for a big husky SBM 30-40 who is lovable cuddle oriented and easy to talk with Ad# 733555

MAKE CONTACT

SBF 18 57 155 lbs Seeking a SBM 18 25 who is kind and kind hearted Ad# 736737

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SWF 49 55 130 lbs hazel eyes Enjoys dancing travel puzzles and more Seeking a friendly and down to earth SWM 49 55 with similar interests Ad# 739334

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SWF 45 N/S social drinker 5 6 140 lbs voluptuous blue eyed blonde Interests are movs and bowling and dancing She is looking for a sensitive financially secure N/S SM 35 60 whose children are grown and knows how to appreciate a woman Ad# 641647

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SWF 31 52 115 lbs enjoys d n r movies good conversation and having fun This laidback lady is looking for an honest SWM who is a good conversationalist for a possible relationship Ad# 732314

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She is a down to earth 5 8 46 lbs blonde blue eyed sweet SWF with a 15 year old daughter He would be a SM 40 60 who is able to express his feelings to be family oriented and enjoys working around the house Ad# 729233

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Single black female 46 5 7 brown hair and brown eyes hoping to meet a single black male 46 52 Ad# 729903

SHARE LIFE WITH ME

SWF 40 5 4 enjoys the outdoors movies quiet evenings at home and much more She is seeking a fun loving gentleman who is honest happy educated and professional Ad# 729298

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I'm a SBF 50 years old who enjoys bowling camping and soft ball Looking for an honest respectful outgoing SBM 45 50 Ad# 728908

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I'm a w/dow 64 years old blonde hair green eyes physically fit Looking for an adorable man to be with Interests are music dining theater walking and so forth Waiting for your call Ad# 726649

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I'm 64 white versat le woman 52 dark hair and dark eyes I enjoy dancing travel exercise Seeking a companion and maybe a relationship I am a home owner in Macomb Ad# 403303

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SBF 47 5 8 160 lbs in search of a marriage minded well pro how to SWM 45 50 5+ N/S N/S drug free Ad# 729344

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I'm a Born Again Christian SWF 57 a mentally stable active lively caring person Looking for a play full good humored SWM 45 55 who is also a Born Again Christian and I loves his life for the Lord Ad# 728831

CONTACT ME TODAY

SWF 45 5 2 Hobbies are clothes music and going for walks in the park She hopes to meet a SWM 53+ Ad# 726609

SUMMER FUN

SWF 33 1 a l & slim into travel jazz & blues museums working out plays and shopping Seeks an exciting well groomed clean cut white collar SWPM 33-49 N/S Ad# 728143

HOPE TO HEAR FROM YOU

SBF 30 med um build with ong hair & gray eyes in search of a SWM 28 38 who doesn't play in rd games and likes cuddling fun boating canoeing amusement parks & mo e Ad# 727749

SOMEONE TO TALK TO

SWF young 49 Enjoys ong walks great conversation snuggling d n g and movs at home Seeks a kind minded compatible SWM 45 55 for friendship first Ad# 727737

PATIENTLY WAITING FOR YOU

SWF 54 48 enjoys hair green eyes professional Enjoys travel work and get ways camping cuddling and more Seeking a SWM 57 70 who is loving humorous N/S N/D fun and affectionate Ad# 405309

CAN YOU KEEP UP?

Retired SWF 69 5 4 red hair med um build Enjoys flea mktas festivals traveling plus more is easygoing and is not ready for the rocking chair Looking for a SWM 65 73 who would like to be her companion and share special times Ad# 717844

BLUE EYED BRUNETTE

SWF 39 5 5 125 lbs a smoker Loves traveling the outdoors and reading Seeks a fun loving SWM 36 60 with similar interests for a friendship possible LTR Ad# 727158

HEY HANDSOME!

SBM 29 5 4 154 lbs short hair Enjoys going to clubs bowling movies dinners plus more She seeks a SBM 40+ who is compatible but church going and shares a similar interests Ad# 727148

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SWF 55 61 med um build college graduate non smoker Enjoys going to the movies walking and more Seeking a SWM 63 plus 53 62 who is well groomed and professional for friendship p first Ad# 470261

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SWF 66 5 5 blonde med um build fun loving artist Seeking SWM 60 plus who wants to do things is talkative humorous and oves to cuddle If interests call no smokers Ad# 567287

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SWF 31 enjoys playing cards being social d n g out and much more Seeking a SWM 18 67 must have a sense of humor Ad# 684940

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I'm a SWF 48 5 4 a medical professional seeking a church go ng N/S good humored SWM 46-62 with no child en and who over laughs the theater people and tryng new things Ad# 683074

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SWF 42 58 slim humorous and active Enjoys ave the outdoors movs dining and more Seeking a SM 40 48 who is honest loving and has good morals Ad# 682247

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SWF 46 5 6 125 lbs enjoys going to the movies and hunting Seeking a SWM 35-55 who sn into head games Ad# 682223

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SBF 63 N/S social drinker energetic outgoing Enjoys traveling good conversation and more Seeking a SWM 50 69 to get to know Ad# 681869

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SWF 39 5 4 very active a professional and hoping to meet an intelligent profess or SWM 32 42 in Michigan for a possiole relationship Ad# 680543

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SWF 45 5 4 123 lbs w/ blonde hair & blue eyes Enjoys boating camping motorcycles and just coking back having fun Looking for a SWM 35 50 who is caring faithful and likes having fun Ad# 653761

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Ret red SWF 62 enjoys dining out dancing traveling or staying home for a quiet evening She's looking for a SWM 58 64 to put some fun and excitement back into her life Ad# 653790

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SWF 53 5 3 who ght proport on at Enjoys garden movs fine d n g good conversation plus more Hopes to meet a SWM 50 60 Ad# 659405

GET IN TOUCH!

Adventurous SBF 19 enjoys movies p aying spades and having fun Looking for a fun outgoing SBM 18-25 Ad# 716908

COMPANION WANTED

Classy romant c SWF 57 5 6 190 lbs w/ long blonde hair and green eyes Enjoys antiquing craft shows garage sales casinos playing cards and board games Looking for a SWM 59 65 who is romantic classy and would like to enjoy fe together Ad# 715804

TOUCH OF CLASS

Attractive tr m fun N/D N/S SWCF 72 from B oomfield Looking forward to a companion with a SWM 72 75 who is a real gentlman Ad# 653117

VERY KIND LADY

SBF 28 s seekng a SBM 30 40 for friends p l f st and maybe could turn into mo e Ad# 712726

TAKE IT SLOW

DWF 46 5 9 128 lbs smoker with blonde hair and hazel eyes Enjoys football hockey NASCAR Harley's concerts and shooting pool Looking for a tal secure SWM 39 50 who is honest car and doesn't play games Ad# 712168

I'M YOUR LADY

SWF 43 5 7 w/ long brown hair brown eyes and 2 chldren Enjoys bingo casino pinacos bowling long walks ve ins and carnivals Looking for an employed honest car affectionate SWM 43 0 60 der with a similar interests Ad# 712171

MAKE MY DAY!

Fun SBF 50 0 oys fun dancing movs and trips Looking for an established spunky D/W/M 47 67 who is done with games Ad# 675814

SOLID VALUES

W/W/W/F 49 5 7 blonde hair green eyes Enjoys the outdoors sports travel and more Seeking an honest N/S SM 39 70 with high morals Ad# 488338

INTERESTED?

Motivated SWF 21 looking for a fun communicative SWM 21 27 G ve me a call and let's see where things go Ad# 687892

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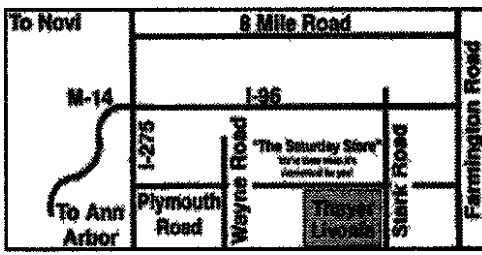
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It seems fitting for a Memorial Day weekend to tell you a little bit about Jeeps, since Jeeps have been widely used in the military for most of our most recent memories.

So here's a thing or two about Jeeps, and other fun car stuff.

* The first Jeep Cherokee was introduced in 1984.

* The Jeep Cherokee is the compact sport utility that is widely credited with starting the SUV boom.

* The 1984 Cherokee was outfitted with a standard 2.5-liter 4-cylinder engine with 4-speed manual transmission or optional 2.8 liter V6 with 4- and 5-speed manual or 3 speed automatic transmission.

* On the 1984 Cherokee Wagoneer, full time 4 wheel drive was standard equipment.

* In 1985, the Cherokee was offered with an optional 2.1-liter 4-cylinder turbocharged diesel engine. Two-wheel-drive was an option. The diesel engine was discontinued just two years later.

* The 1987 Cherokee was outfitted with a 4.0-liter 6-cylinder engine called power-tech six, replacing the 2.8-liter V6. The 5-speed manual transmission was made standard.

* In 1989, the Jeep Cherokee was available with 4-wheel anti-lock brakes.

* The Jeep Cherokee has always been built at the Toledo assembly plant.

* Sliding doors, instead of hinged doors, are used on the Chrysler minivans because research showed women were worried about hinged doors blowing shut in the wind and possibly smashing children's hands.

* The 1988 Plymouth Voyager was named Family Car of the Year by Family Circle magazine.

* The 1 millionth Chrysler minivan was sold in 1988.

* In 1990, Chrysler sold its 2 millionth minivan, the same year it was honored by Motor Trend Magazine as Ten Best.

* The 3 millionth Chrysler minivan was sold in

1992, the same year Chrysler introduced the integrated child seat.

* In 1993 Chrysler registered the highest owner loyalty of any vehicle on the road -- higher than Mercedes, Toyota or Honda.

* Chrysler produced the automobile industry's first electric powered minivan for use by commercial fleet buyers in 1993.

* In January 1903, Cadillac showed off its first car at the New York Automobile Show. By the end of the show, it had received 2,286 \$10 deposits on orders for Cadillac, which actually sold out the rest of the year's production.

* Cadillac was the first car company to institute the technology of standardized part interchangeability. This parts interchangeability was the benchmark for the mass production methods of modern industry.

* Four-door Ford Explorers came as XL, XLT Eddie Bauer and Limited models in 1996. XLT buyers are willing to spend for options they perceive as adding value. Eddie Bauer buyers are upscale families who seek adventure, want more features than the XLT and are image and luxury conscious, yet still may wish to go off-roading. Limited and Eddie Bauer models account for 20 percent of Explorer sales. They appeal to buyers who demand the most luxury that's available. These buyers expect many items to be standard and will rarely go off roading.

* The Ford Explorer is exported from the US to Europe, Puerto Rico, Japan, Mexico, Latin America and Middle East Gulf Cooperative Council Countries (GCC).

* Production of trucks and buses in 1963 was the highest in US automotive history. A total of 1,464,399 commercial vehicles were made, exceeding the previous record year of 1951 by 52,143 units. That 1963 figure was later eclipsed in 1969 with a record 1,981,519 trucks and buses.

* Firestone was founded by Harvey S. Firestone.

* Harvey Firestone was born in Columbiana County, Ohio, and attended Spencian Business College in Cleveland. His first job was as a bookkeeper in Columbus.



Jeep Cherokee

* In 1892, Harvey Firestone, then 24, went to work for the Columbus Buggy Co. Within a few years, Firestone was assigned to the company's Detroit office.

* It was in Detroit that Firestone met Henry Ford while learning about rubber tires from him. From that, a relationship was formed between Ford and Firestone.

* In 1896, Firestone started a tire supply firm in Chicago.

* In 1899, Firestone sold the firm and went to Akron to become a tire manufacturer.

* When he started the Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. in August 1900, Harvey Firestone had assets of just \$20,000 and a new tire-mounting patent.

* Acura began equipping all of its cars with driver's and front passenger's Supplemental Restraint System air bags as standard equipment in 1994.

* In July 1994, Acura sold its 1 millionth automobile.

* Acura's main research and development testing facility is in Japan at the Tochigi Proving Grounds. The facility has a broad range of demanding driving situations.

* Acura also tests its automobiles at two facilities in the US. At the Transportation Research Center in East Liberty, Ohio, and at a facility in the desert north of Los Angeles, the Honda Proving Center of California.

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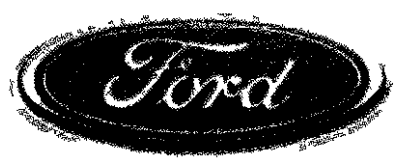
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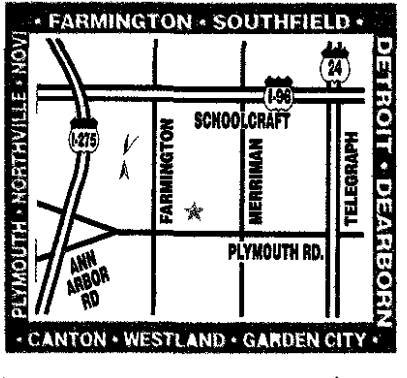
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'Given the chance what young girl wouldn't happily exchange a plain face for a lovely one? What girl could refuse the opportunity to be beautiful? For want of a better estimate let's call it the year 2000. At any rate imagine a time in the future when science has developed a means of giving everyone the face and body he dreams of. It may not happen tomorrow - but it happens now in the Twilight Zone.'

Rod Serling spoke these words in 1964, introducing an episode of "The Twilight Zone" called "Number Twelve Looks Just Like You." It depicted a society in which virtually everyone underwent cosmetic surgery to transform themselves into one of a few accepted models of beauty. The episode's main character, Marilyn Cuberle, fought against 'transformation' but eventually was subjected to it against her will. She emerged looking and thinking just like everyone else. Who'd have thought the show would be prophetic?

Today we watch shows with similar themes, except they're reality TV programs like "The Swan" and "Extreme Makeover" court surprisingly high ratings as they surgically transform ugly ducklings for our viewing pleasure. As the contestants — and increasing numbers of everyday women — become ever more beautiful and shapely before our eyes, those of us who remain "natural" are starting

editor's column

to feel a bit like Marilyn Cuberle. These days, instead of accepting how God made us, we are taught that plastic surgery can make us even better if only we can scrape up the cash and courage.

Like many women, I have contemplated cosmetic surgery — in my case a breast enhancement. Unlike many women, however, I haven't gone through with it. Yet I have friends and family members who have gotten breast augmentation or other procedures and are very happy with the results. They look great, and I sometimes envy them for tak-

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ing the plunge.

Putting together this issue of *Pink* themed around the Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, however, made me realize how superficial my perspective has been. As I met and read about several breast cancer survivors, and learned more about the prevalence of the disease, I considered the reality of breast cancer for the first time. Women who battle breast cancer are often faced with trading their breasts for their lives. If they could turn back time these brave women would probably never second-guess the size of their chests. I'm going to take a cue from them and start obsessing about things that really matter.

I know it all sounds so obvious, but in today's society full of "swans" and celebrity, things can get a little confusing.

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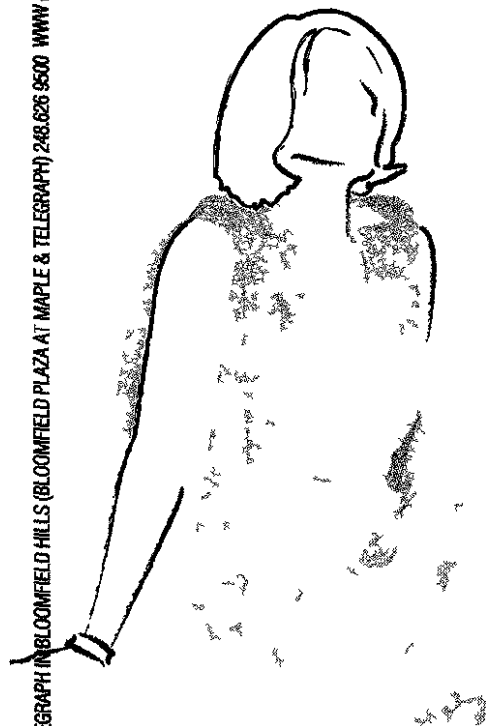
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Tobey models the latest totes big enough to carry woman's best friend in the June 6 issue of *Pink*. Here, Tobey sports a fashionable bandana in preparation for the Spring Mutt March, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Sunday, June 6 at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores. The event raises money for the Michigan Humane Society, and all walkers who turn in \$100 or more in donations the day of the event will receive an official Mutt March 2004 T-shirt. Dogs get a bandana regardless. For more information, visit www.michiganhumane.org or call 1-866-MHUMANE.

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Bazaar meets Bizarre at creative clothing swap

By DeAnna Belger ☒ Pink Contributor ☒ Submitted Photo

Inspired by her love of fashion and limited artist's budget, Trish Denton is recreating the tumultuous excitement of an open market in Downtown Detroit. Hosted June 5 by PURE Design Lab, 156 W Congress, the Barter Bizarre brings the global appeal of the diverse marketplace to a cosmopolitan setting.



Patrons exchange clothing at last year's Barter Bizarre.

People from upscale Birmingham to Hamtramck punk, are invited to purge their closets of their beloved vintage, ethnic and worn clothing to swap and share to the tunes of a DJ.

"It's all about recycling and boycotting capitalism. I don't want to see any money exchanged," Denton said. "The bizarre provides a way to connect with people in a wholesome, non-smoking, non-drinking environment. The scene is diversity."

At closing, everyone is invited to model their new ensembles in a for-kicks fashion show. Dress down to dress up — there will be hair and make-up stylists and fashion coordinators for makeovers. We will construct crazy creative get-ups and get bizarre," says Denton. Light food and beverages will be provided 2-5 p.m. by Three Roods Farm and Avalon International Breads. All leftover clothing will be donated to the Salvation Army. A suggested donation of \$3 will be collected at the door.

Barter Bizarre

What: Fashion show and swap meet

Where: PURE Design Lab, 156 W Congress St., Detroit

When: 2-5 p.m. June 5

Contact: Trish Denton, 313.884.5990 or dent_doll@hotmail.com

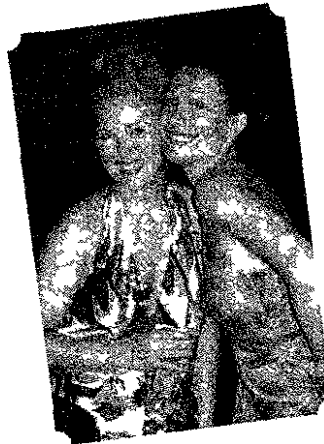
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Komen Detroit Race for the Cure participants sing the "Survivor Song" at last year's event.

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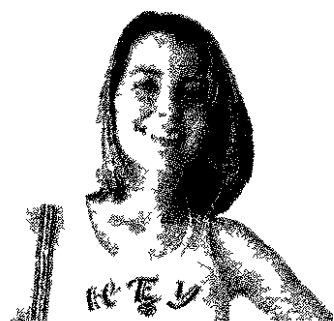
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Q I'm in search of some fashionable summer hats that will keep the sun off and won't make me look completely ridiculous or like I'm in costume. Can you point me in the right direction?

A Most people think hats are hard to pull off without looking like Blossom or Gilligan, but like with any other accessory, when done right, the results can be faboo. The key is to KISS. Keep It Simple 'n Stylicious! If you're going to sport a hat, let it be your main accessory — don't go overboard with an outrageous bag, shoes or earrings. The hat will be enough, save for a fabulous pair

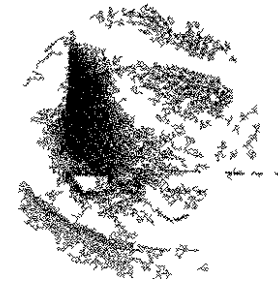
of shades that is, and a smidge of confidence — the ultimate accessory

It's also important to pick a hat shape and style that work for you. Some women can toss on a baseball cap and instantly look girl-next-door sexy, while others of us look like 12-year-old boys-next-door, but can pass for Parisian princesses when we don berets. To each her own. For summer, you'll want to stick to lightweight, breathable fabrics so you don't get uncomfortably overheated. Bucket hats, straw hats, baseball caps, panamas and even fedoras are great options.

VillageHatShop.com has one of the best selections I've seen, both in variety of hats and prices. From the floppy Velour Swinger hat (LO is famous for sporting (\$46) to the Physician Endorsed line to the highly unrecommended Dr. Seuss hats, you can pretty much find it all here. The Physician Endorsed line is great because it provides both UVA and UVB protection, has a comfy terrycloth inner sweatband and looks really chic (\$40-\$55). Some of the hats are even crushable and packable, perfect for those upcoming summer getaways. Also cute and functional, and great for the golf course is the Kangol Tropic Ventair 504 Cap in pink for \$28.80, the ultimate cross between a beret and baseball cap.

If designer is what you're after, check

NeimanMarcus.com for their Pucci and Burberry offerings, ranging from \$75-\$325. HartfordYork.com has an adorable linen newsboy cap for \$95. If you're young, and I mean 23 and under, you might still be able to pull off the whole trucker hat thing. If so, vondutch.com will hook you up. Also worth a stop, NedandShell.com for their small selection of Vero Santes hats. The pink and green



fedora with grosgrain trim marries the season's hottest colors for \$49.99 and is deelyish! Be sure not to pass up the sale section at pinkmascara.com, where you can scoop up adorable Jacqueline Lamont and Hat Attack creations for \$25-\$75.

Good luck topping off your look!

Fashion editor and designer Kelly Lee features daily fashion finds on her online style magazine BussBuss.com.

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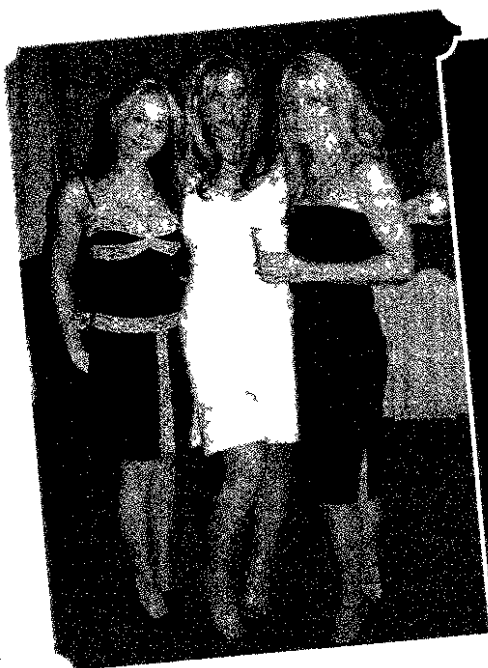
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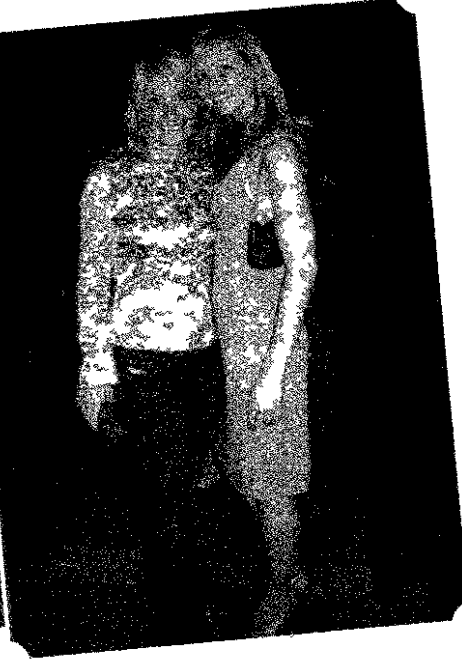
The fifth annual Bravo! Bravo! drew a well-heeled crowd to the Detroit Opera House Friday night for an evening of music, dancing, food and fun. Thrown by Encore!, the young professional group of the Detroit Opera House, the party raised money for restoration of the DOH. Here's snapshots of some of the fashiomistas spotted at the event.



Christina Rice and friends Jamie and Niki brave painful shoes to look divine at Bravo! Bravo!



Heather Albrecht and Nadia Tremarti strike a pose on the dance floor, sporting a retro look with bold flower prints and sleek up-'dos.



Danielle Tyman and Leslie Lackner drew plenty of attention with their casual chic.

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Survivors and supporters lace up to fight breast cancer

By Ronit Feldman — Pink Contributor — Photos by David Reed

When Maureen Meldrum was in her forties, cancer was not something she thought about very often. "I was doing a pretty haphazard breast exam, hadn't really been trained, certainly didn't do it on a monthly basis," she said. That was before she found the lump in her breast that signaled her alarm.

Although her doctor told her not to worry, to come back in six months, Meldrum persisted in requesting additional tests. The results confirmed her suspicion.

Luckily the disease was caught in time. Meldrum underwent a mastectomy and chemotherapy, but eventually she was cured of cancer.

Today, she's ready for her next battle.

Eradicating the disease for good. As chairperson of the 13th Annual Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, Meldrum coordinates one of the largest events in a national series of fundraisers for breast cancer research and treatment. The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation presents the race nationally, and the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute runs it locally.

Last year more than 20,000 people participated in the Detroit event and coordinators expect this year's crowd to be even larger. Despite its serious cause, the race, which will be held June 5 at Comerica Park, is an exuberant occasion.

"It's a wonderful day that's full of a lot of emotion and highs, and it's a lot of fun," Meldrum said.

Race participants will have their choice between a 5K Women's and Men's Run, a 5K Walk, and a One Mile Walk. Squads of cheerleaders and 15 bands and musical performers will keep them entertained along the route. A number of other diversions are lined up, including a children's area, massage station, awards ceremony and a survivor's tribute involving 1,200 bottles of bubbles. As usual, the Motor City Striders will be officially timing the top 50 women and top 50 men in the 5K Run.

A few new features are in place this year, including a number of incentives for participating teams. The Detroit Tigers are offering 100 free tickets to the largest group of newcomers ("The New Kids on the Block Award") and Johnson &

Johnson will be awarding goody bags of products to the team that's experienced the greatest increase in size ("The Grow Getters Award").

Last year the event took in \$900,000, most of which was generated by registration fees, donations and sponsorships. The money gets distributed in two ways: 25 percent goes to research and 75 percent goes to screening awareness and treatment programs. Meldrum explained that while research is very important for the future of curing the disease, education is instrumental in saving lives immediately.

"We don't know what causes breast cancer," she said. "Right now what we do know is that early detection saves lives. Getting that message out to people about regular screening is incredibly important."

Routine methods of prevention include monthly breast self-exams and annual clinic exams for all women, and annual mammograms for women over age 40.

According to the Karmanos Website, breast cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths among women ages 40-59, but it is also over 95 percent curable when caught early.

"The estimate is that if all women followed the screening guidelines, it would reduce mortality by 30 percent," Meldrum said.

Unfortunately, many women don't take the right precautions because they believe breast cancer is a genetic disease. Heredity, in fact, only accounts for 10 percent of breast cancer cases. The main risks, she says, are "being a woman and getting older. So if you're in the human family and you're a woman, then you're at risk."

Sherrie Antoszewski, 31, a budget analyst at Wayne State University, found that sometimes age isn't even a factor. Antoszewski was 25 years old when she discovered a lump in her breast that turned out to be malignant.

Two years after a lumpectomy removed the tumor, the cancer recurred in her second breast and she elected to have a bilateral mastectomy. At the same time, her twin sister was diagnosed with breast cancer. The two cases, she says, were unrelated. Each was caused by a different bodily agent.

The following year, Antoszewski's can-

cer returned, this time in her lung, and she underwent a third operation. "I will probably be fighting it for the rest of my life," she said.

In the midst of her hardships,

though, Antoszewski gave birth to a baby girl. "It's kind of ironic, actually," she said.

"The first time that I was getting my chemo and radiation, nobody thought to check to see if I was pregnant." Antoszewski's daughter, now four-and-a-half years old, turned out completely healthy. "We got very lucky."

Antoszewski has walked in Race for the Cure for the past seven years, but this year she took her commitment a step further, convincing WSU to become a sponsor. With the help of the school's marketing program, she also rounded up a team of 198 participants.

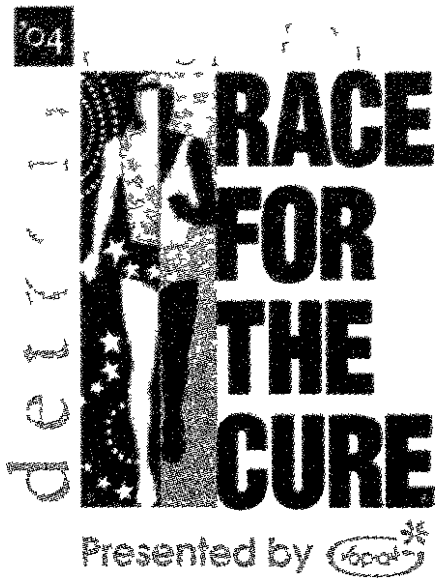
Antoszewski says she wants women to know that breast cancer can happen to anyone, regardless of their age. Becoming involved with Race for the Cure has given her the courage to promote that message.

"I'm not so scared anymore to talk to people about it, where before I was I kind of stayed a little bit back in the shadows, but people need to know—the earlier you get it checked out, the better chances you're gonna have of beating it."

Antoszewski says the best medicine for those who are diagnosed is to keep up hope.

"Stay positive," she said. "I really think a lot of the reason why I'm here is because I have a really good support system."

With thousands of runners behind her, Antoszewski knows she's not alone.



Komen Detroit Race for the Cure

What: 5K Women's and Men's Run, 5K Walk, and One Mile Walk

When: Saturday, June 5, 2004

Where: Comerica Park, Detroit

To register: Early registration is advised online at:

www.karmanos.org/raceforthe curedetroit/registration/html

Fees: \$20 (ages 6-17), \$40 (ages 18-64), \$20 (ages 65 & over)

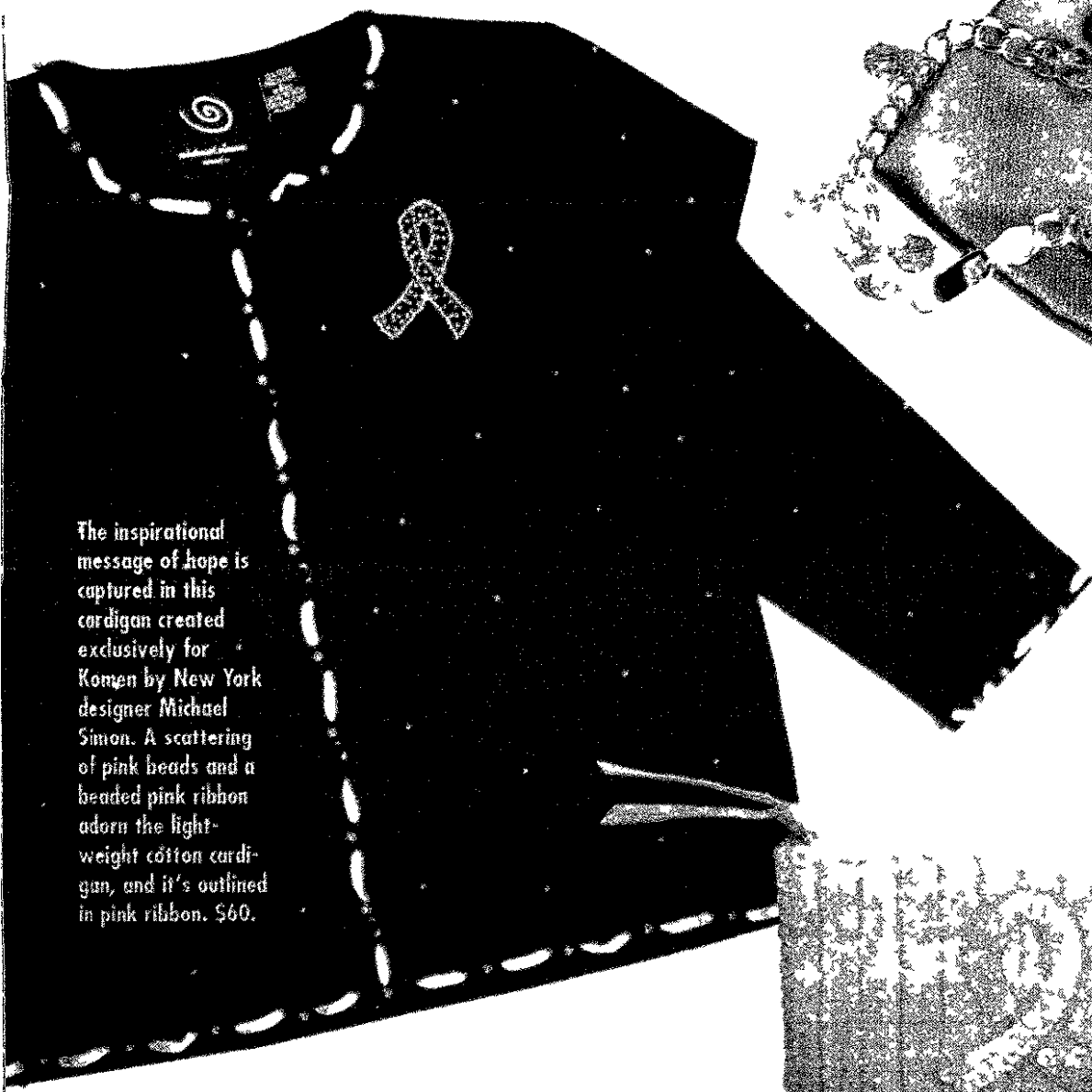
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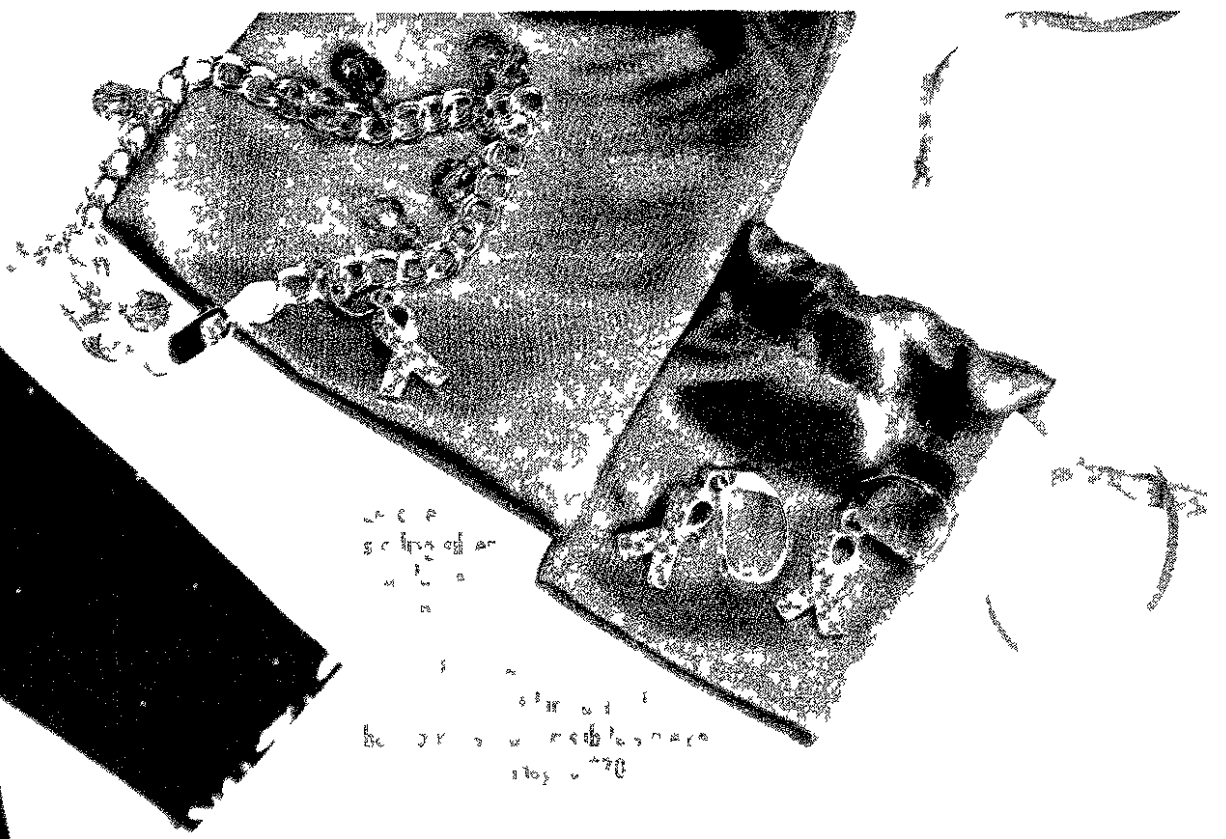
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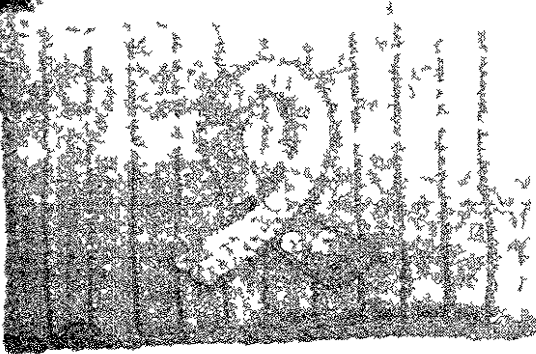
10:30 a.m. Award Ceremony



The inspirational message of hope is captured in this cardigan created exclusively for Komen by New York designer Michael Simon. A scattering of pink beads and a beaded pink ribbon adorn the light-weight cotton cardigan, and it's outlined in pink ribbon. \$60.



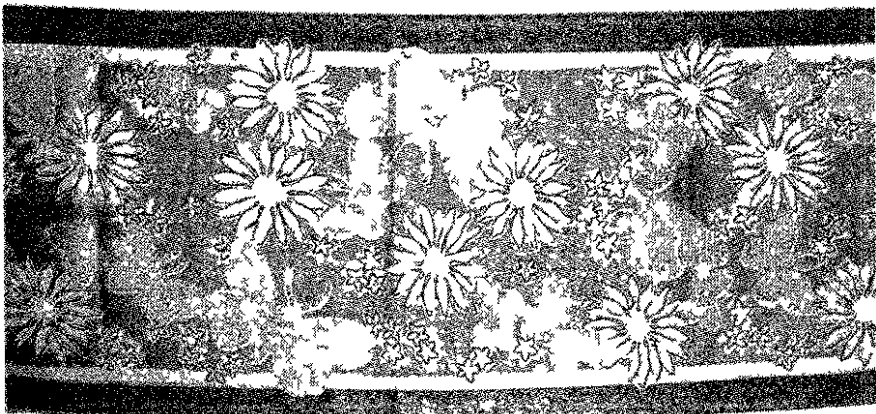
Face to the music here in 100 percent cotton, ankle high pink ribbon socks, \$6



Clutch this little pink ribbon sequined coin purse to blend style and substance, \$10.

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Pink Ribbon merchandise, including the official pink ribbon Beanie Baby, T-shirts, photo albums, pink ribbon pins and yoga mats, will be available at packet pick up, the Pre Race Expo June 4 at the Southfield Pavilion and on race day at Comerica Park. It is also available all year at New Balance in Farmington Hills and Troy. Purchased locally, the merchandise benefits Komen Detroit and the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute. Additional merchandise is available at www.komen.org to benefit the national Komen effort.



Renowned designer Lilly Pulitzer created the pattern for cotton scarves that will be given to all Komen Race for the Cure participants. The scarf can also be purchased in exquisite silk, as a poignant and decorative addition to any wardrobe, \$30.


news**briefs**

Dr Ruth Lerman, a physician at the Breast Care Center of William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, will conduct a Women's Empowerment Workshop at Yoga Chi, 161 Townsend St., Birmingham, 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, June 3. The workshop consists of a yoga practice suitable for all fitness levels, instructions in conducting a breast self-exam, and a question-and-answer session dealing with women's issues. The cost, \$20, benefits breast cancer support groups at Beaumont. For more information call 248-203-YOGA or visit www.yogachi.net.

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Educator and survivor has much to teach

By DeAnna Belger ■ Pink Contributor ■ Photo by David Reed

In June of 1998, South Lake High School physical education and health teacher Monica Kurtznaitis found out she had breast cancer. She got the diagnosis her last week of school and the last week she would teach at Elmwood Elementary. Faced with the challenge of transferring to a new school, Kurtznaitis was determined to fight for her life and be there for her students on the first day of class. Every time she wears a collared shirt, she pins on a pink ribbon as a reminder of what she almost lost. Despite the fact that Kurtznaitis has always felt she was a survivor simply because she was alive and walking, this past December she earned the official designation by passing the five-year mark. She took time out of her busy classroom to share her story with Pink.

It was a mammogram. It can skate through, but they caught it. I went through the usual mammogram on a Thursday in early June. I was sitting on my back porch having a glass of wine with a friend of mine when Dr. Karion called.

How did doctors determine it was malignant?
I went in for a mammogram biopsy. It is a needle biopsy and extremely painful. I went under, woke up and was still kind of groggy. While sitting in the recovery room talking with my two friends, the doctor came in and said, "I am sorry. It is malignant."

What was your reaction?
It was very surreal. I felt like I was standing outside of my body, like he was talking to somebody else. I was more in shock than anything. We talked about what my options were, and at first I said I didn't want to do anything, but that was silly.

What role did friends play in your decision to take?
I went back a few weeks later and asked Dr. Agnone what he would recommend if I were his wife or his sister. He advised lumpectomy. He wanted to go as aggressive as we could just to make sure. I did chemo for 12 rounds, once every other week. It amazes me that you are putting into your body some kind of poison to get rid of another poison. It is really toxic. After I completed the chemo, I started receiving

radiation treatment every night after school for seven weeks. Radiation was a piece of cake after chemo. I don't know why I decided I wasn't going to miss work, but I didn't.

Did this experience change anything in your life?
Yeah, it just made me more aware of what was around me, to not get all uptight about the things that don't really matter. I just sit back and thank God for everything.

What helped you get through this difficult time?
My faith. I absolutely believe in God. I thought it was a test. I didn't like the test. He was really pushing me there. I don't know how someone can make it without faith.

My faith and my friends were just so encouraging. I never went alone to chemo, someone always took me. I just got up and got going. I said to myself, "You have another day so let's use it." That is what you have to do.

The people at school participated in Race for the Cure. They helped organize and they included me in on that. I got to be captain because I had breast cancer. We are



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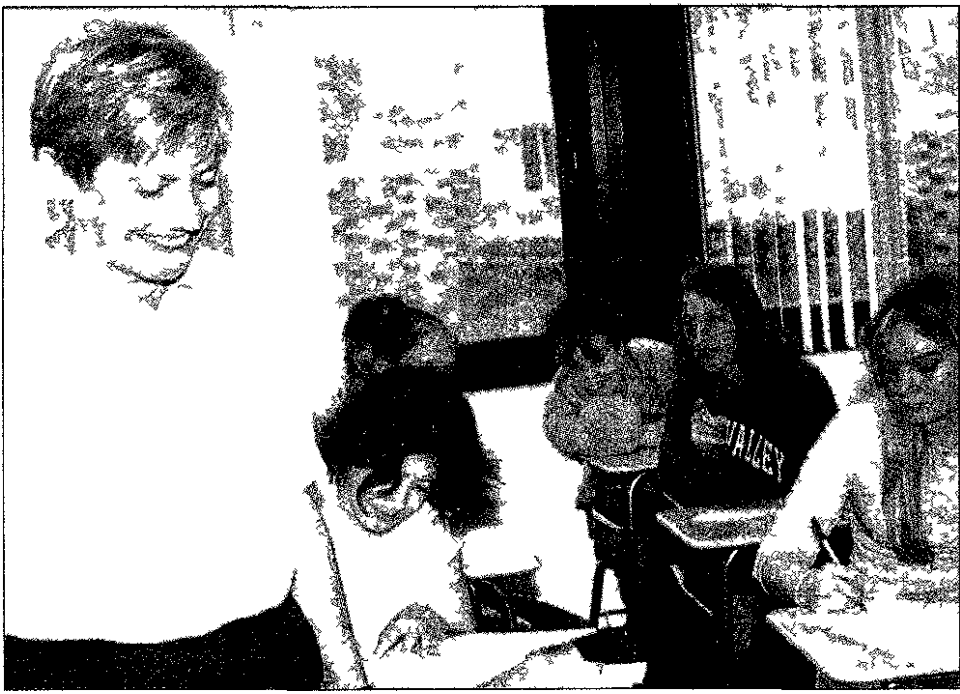
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Monica Kurtinaitis at South Lake High School with her students

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If they ask about it, I will tell them I have had kids that have said "You know my mom is going through a bad time right now they think she has breast cancer Will you talk to her?" They will call I don't hide the fact at all Keeping cancer to yourself, I don't understand it

I teach freshmen and people come up to me and say "How do you stand this? How do you stand working with freshman every day?" It just hits me, I have had the most wonderful doctors and they were all freshman once I have high hopes for these kids Many of the teachers that started working when I did have taken the school buyout, but I didn't I still want to teach I still have time left

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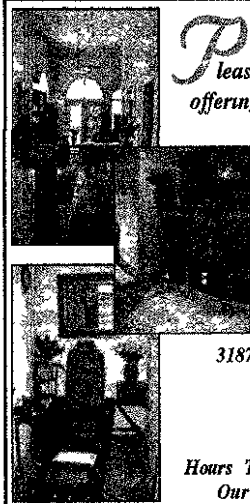
A Sex in the Suburbs Serial ■ By Cornelia Copernicus

Caroline sits home late at night, frustrated She is drinking wine and smoking outside After a day of PTO meetings, manure/pedicure and prepping for the after school activities of her three Bloomfield Hills children, she decides to call her boyfriend, who has no patience for her selfish insecurities "Std doesn't feel like playing high school, he says when Caroline complains

What's a divorcee to do? If only there were some rich doctor who could remedy

all this by pampering her in the ways she desires He's got to be handsome, and dedicated to his work (which should be for the betterment of humanity), yet understand her need for luxuries, and be able to provide them He's got to be man enough to make her problems seem big when she requires it, yet at the same time encourage her personal growth

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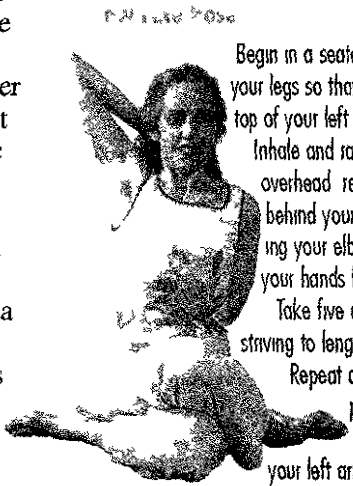
Ruth Lerman knows what it's like to face breast cancer from both sides of the examination table. Professionally, she is a doctor at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, specializing exclusively in diseases of the breast. Personally, she has battled breast cancer twice.

In 1994, her husband found a lump in her breast. She battled the cancer and won, but just as she prepared to celebrate the magic five-year cancer-free mark, she found a second lump in 1999. That's when she started practicing yoga, and she has sworn by the ancient form of exercise ever since. Lerman prescribes yoga to her patients as a way to gain strength and aid in recovery.

"I think one of the most valuable things about yoga for high-risk women and breast cancer survivors is it helps you learn how to find your strength through being vulnerable. In yoga, you put yourself in postures that are challenging. You might fall down, you might not be 'as good' as other people, but you calm your mind and go to places where some deep fears come up. You learn you can live with the fears,

acknowledge the fears and move on."

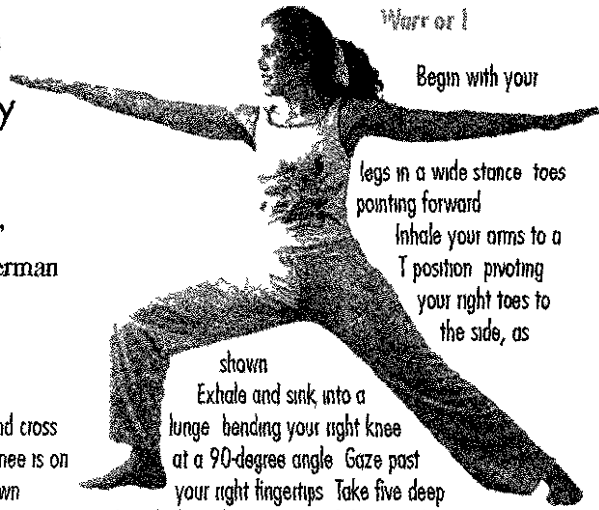
Here are a few of the exercises Lerman specifically recommends:



Warrior 1
Begin in a seated position and cross your legs so that your right knee is on top of your left knee, as shown. Inhale and raise your right arm overhead, reaching your left arm behind your back. Exhale, bending your elbows and clasping your hands behind your back. Take five deep breaths here, striving to lengthen the spine. Repeat on the other side, placing your left knee on top and bringing your left arm overhead.

If you can't reach your hands together, grab the ends of a tie, strap or T-shirt behind your back and inch your fingers towards each other.

This posture relieves tightness and loss of mobility in the arms, shoulders and chest due to radiation and breast surgery, Lerman said.



Downward Facing Dog
Begin with your legs in a wide stance, toes pointing forward. Inhale your arms to a T position, pivoting your right toes to the side, as shown. Exhale and sink into a lunge, bending your right knee at a 90-degree angle. Gaze past your right fingertips. Take five deep breaths here, keeping your abdomen tight, spine long and arms lengthened.

Inhale, coming back to your wide leg stance, maintaining your arms in the outstretched position.

Exhale, pivot your left toes out and repeat on the other side.

"In this posture, even the name implies strength, and it takes strength to survive," Lerman said.

Downward Facing Dog

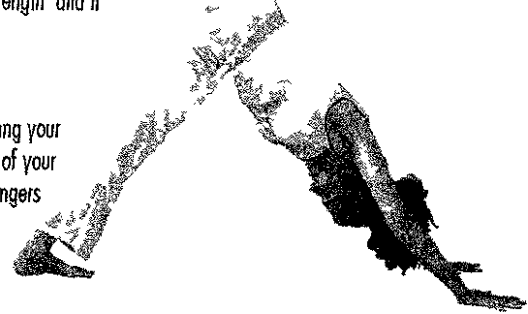
Start on your hands and knees. Inhale, lifting your hips up and back and coming onto the palms of your hands and the soles of your feet. With your fingers spread wide and heels flattening toward the ground, stretch your hips toward the ceiling and lengthen the spine. Let your neck relax

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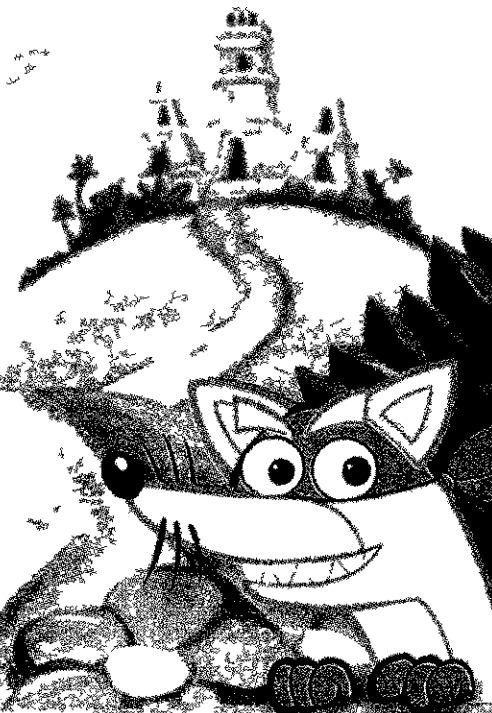
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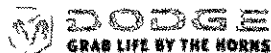
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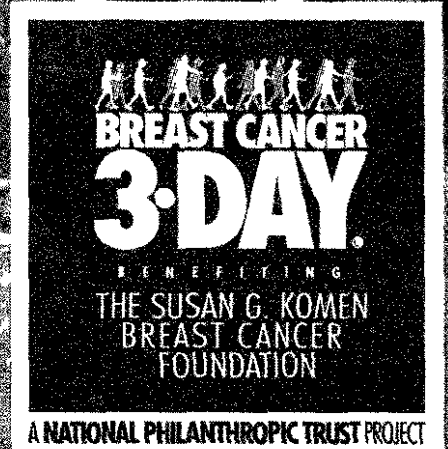


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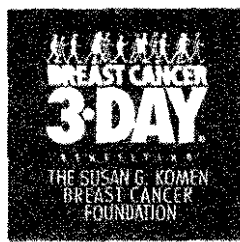
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Q What can you tell us about Jason Ritter? Is he related to John Ritter?

—Albert D, Kansas

Yes Jason Ritter who plays Kevin Garra on *Jam of Aradia*, is the son of actor John Ritter who died in 2003 and the grandson of famed film cowboy Tex Ritter. Ritter says his dad supported his choice to become an actor. My father loved it so much and he overcame all the difficulties of trying to become an actor. And in that struggle he decided he would support his children in whatever they wanted to do. Ritter says But he says his father insisted that he study acting rather than to just try to sort of ride in on whatever sort of natural thing I had. He's a graduate of New York University's Tisch School of the Arts and he also studied at London's Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts. He was featured in the movies *Swim fan* and *Freddy vs Jason*.

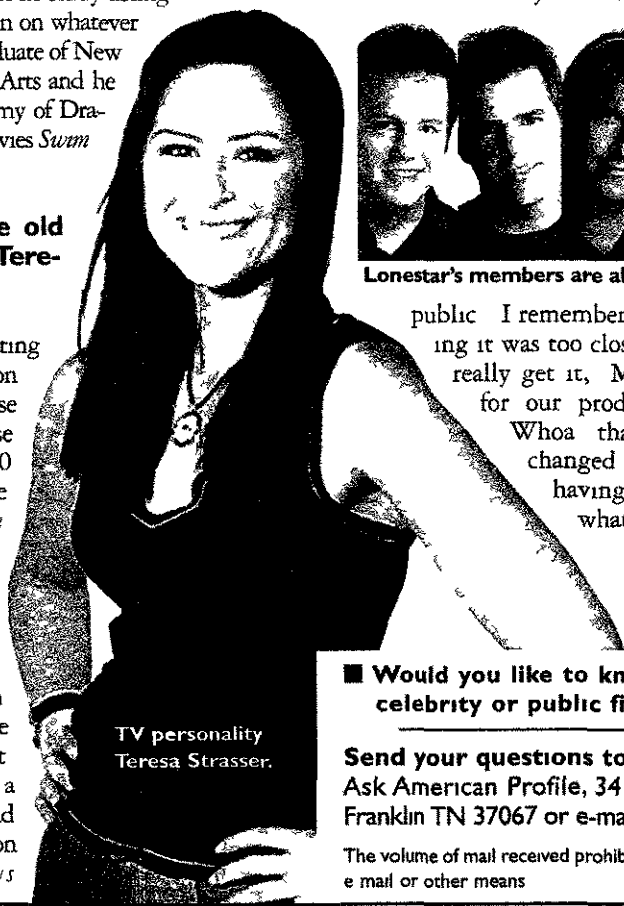


Jason Ritter follows in his dad's footsteps

Q What happened to the old host of *While You Were Out*, Teresa Strasser?

—Jon S Ohio

Teresa Strasser left TLC's hip decorating show, *While You Were Out*, when her contract ended last year. She says she chose not to renew her contract because being on the road for more than 200 days a year was not the lifestyle she wanted. After leaving *While You Were Out*, I metaphorically started dating other shows, she says. I went out with *The View*, *E! News Live* and *Miss Match*. I went out on some dates with Donny Osmond and *Pyramid*. I went out with a bunch of countdown shows for the E! network and some episodes of *Style Court* for the Style Network. I finally settled down with a daily, down-to-earth dependable kind of show called *Good Day New York* on Fox. She also writes for *Us Weekly's*



TV personality Teresa Strasser.

Fashion Police and the *Jewish Journal of Los Angeles* and maintains a website www.teresastrasser.com. I miss the old *While You Were Out* gang but we actually stay in pretty good touch, she says. (A side note for *One Life to Live* fans Robin Strasser (Dorian Lord) is Teresa's aunt.)

Q What can you tell me about the members of Lonestar? Are they married and do they have children?

—Linda P Oregon

All but one are married, but the lone unmarried Lonestar is engaged. That's drummer Keech Rainwater and he's getting married this September. And all of Lonestar's members are fathers. Lead singer Richie McDonald and his wife, Lorie, have three—a boy Rhett, and two girls Mollie and Maisie. Dean Sarns (keyboards) and his wife Kim, have a boy Bryson, and a girl Britney. Michael Britt (lead guitar) and his wife, Renee, have a son Ethan. And Rainwater has a son, Dakota. McDonald immortalized his family in the

song *I'm Already There* which was inspired by a phone call from the road when his then 2-year-old son asked, "Daddy, when are you coming home?"



Lonestar's members are all family men.

And *My Front Porch Looking In* describes his daughters (a carrot-top that can barely walk and a little blue-eyed blonde with her shoes on wrong). Both songs struck a nerve with the public. I remember writing *I'm Already There*, thinking it was too close to my heart for anybody else to really get it, McDonald says. Then I played it for our producer, and he cried. I thought, "Whoa that's a good sign." My priorities changed when I got married and started having children. It made me realize what's important. ☆

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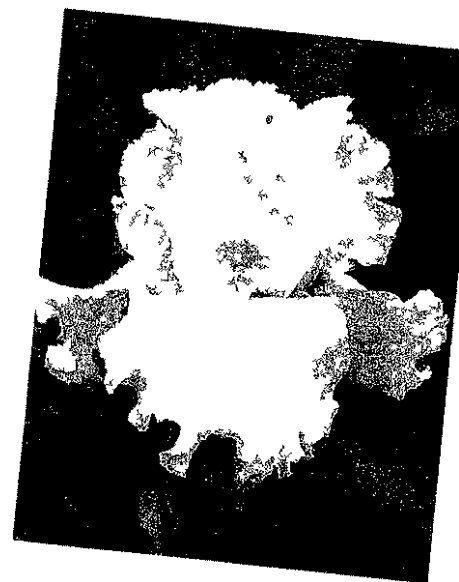
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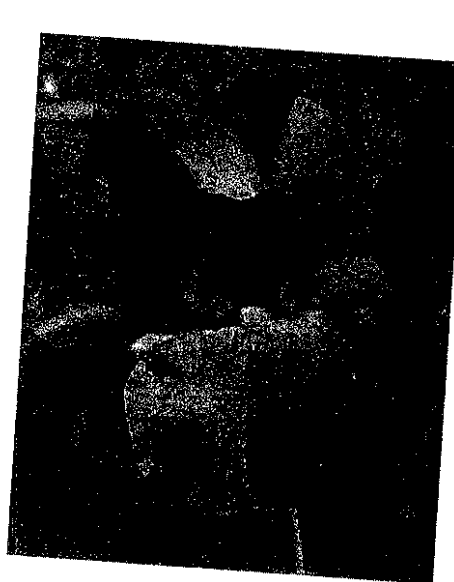
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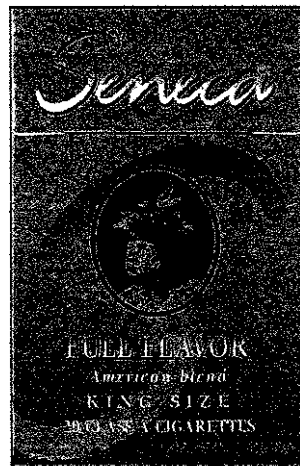
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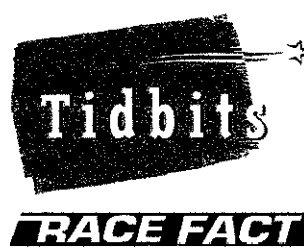


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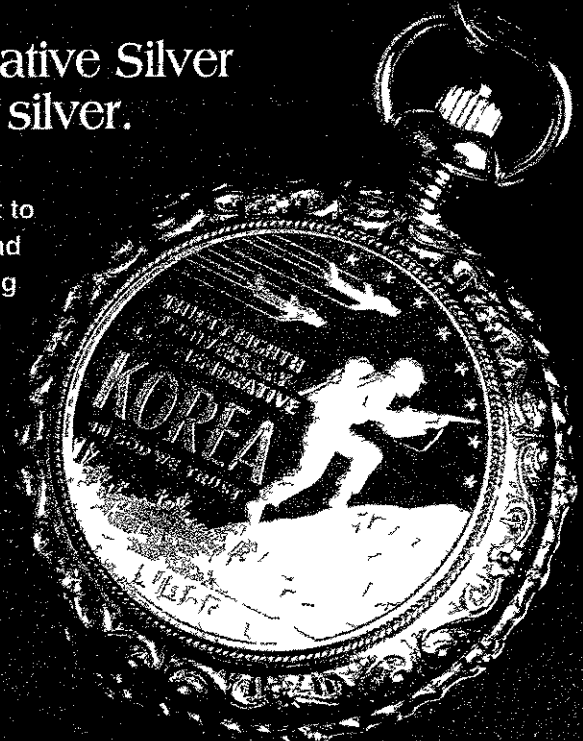
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Oldtime Fiddlin'

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Once, a town's fiddler was more important than its cable provider is today. When he put his bow to the strings, neighbors set aside differences and passed the cider jug, and young people fell in love dancing in time with his tapping boot.

Few today remember a time when music was glue to bind a community. But during the third full week of June each year, a small Idaho town recalls the old fiddle songs, the old styles of playing—and it remembers what music once did for us all.

Weiser, a farming community of about 5,000, has hosted the annual National Oldtime Fiddlers Contest since 1967. The event lasts a week and draws more than 10,000 visitors. Organizers say it's the nation's biggest old-time fiddle contest.

An old-time fiddler is someone who plays the danceable folk tunes of this nation's rural youth, songs such as *Sally Goodin* and *Dusty Miller* in the old style. Ask 20 fiddlers what old style is and get 20 answers, but to the uninitiated it's simple: It's music to send you swinging and stomping across a scarred plank floor.

Surprisingly, Weiser's 2007 grand champion was not a crusty old timer in felt hat and baggy overalls as you might imagine, but a 16-year-old boy, Tristan Clarridge, trained as a classical violinist. He favors black jeans, has an uncommonly comfortable grin and a stiff stance that relaxed only slightly when he played. Clarridge performs professionally with his 21-year-old sister, Tashina. She took second place at Weiser last year. Another final round contestant was a boy named Luke Price, who if he lost the gelled hair and low-riding jeans could impersonate Harry Potter.

But if these and most of the other 302 musicians who participated in last year's competition aren't what you picture as old-time fiddlers, that's in keeping with tradition, for noth-



Fiddle contests are a time-honored tradition—think Charlie Daniel's "Johnny, rosin up your bow and play your fiddle hard." They take place every month of the year, and from coast to coast. But tiny Weiser, Idaho, hosts the most famous of them all, the National Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest.

Young musicians are welcome at the National Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest in Weiser, Idaho.

ing at Weiser is quite as you'd expect.

For instance, it takes a stretch of imagination to say the contestants perform, since the word implies that audience enjoyment is the point. At Weiser, the audience is very welcome—and quite irrelevant.

That becomes clear the first time a contestant and his two or three accompanists climb onto the small stage in Weiser's high school gymnasium. A large capsule-shaped microphone is adjusted over his strings. When the contestant is happy with its position, he begins. Through his entire three-song performance, the fiddler's focus is on the mike, which carries his notes to the judges, seated out of sight in the school's

library, so they can judge the music, not the player. Contestants never speak and seldom turn to the audience.

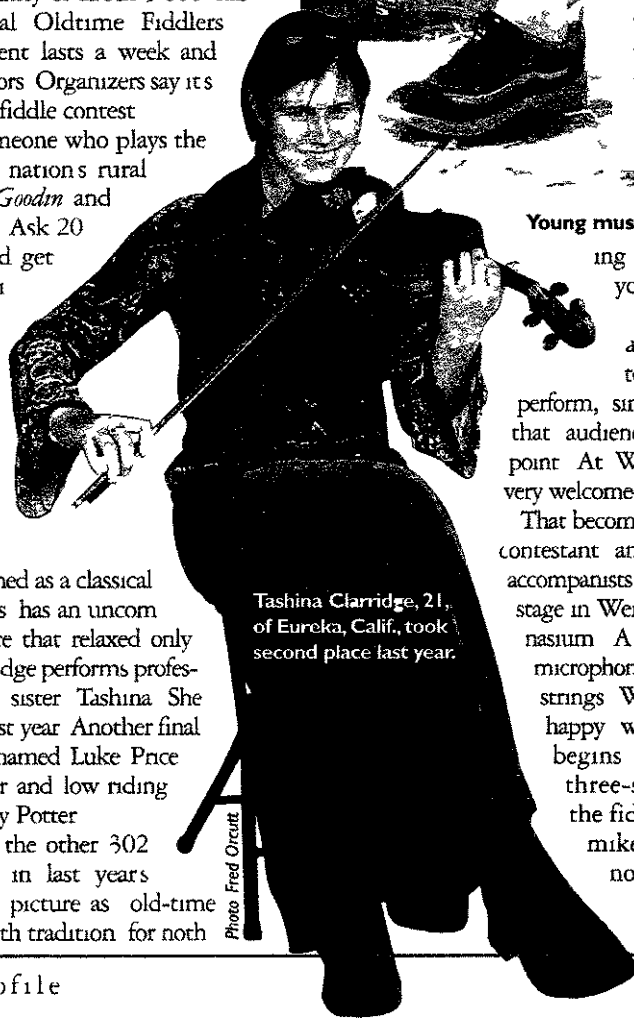
A familiar song

The music is fun and nearly flawless, as might be expected of high-caliber competition. But to the newcomer, it may sound repetitious, as though the same song is being played again and again. And it is. In 2003, a spectator who attended the whole competition could have listened to *Cottonpatch Rag* 32 times. *I Don't Love Nobody* was performed 39 times.

The repetition may not be exciting for the audience, but for a devotee of this music that's not important, what happens at Weiser amounts to a living library. Each song must be memorized, because no sheet music is allowed on stage. So despite the repetition of popular favorites, 421 old-time fiddle tunes were committed to memory and performed at Weiser last year.

This is important to advocates, who say sheet music can't capture the life in these tunes, a fiddler's fancy licks or their attitude.

But to see music do what it did when those old songs were young, it's best to leave the gym. Living



Tashina Clarridge, 21, of Eureka, Calif., took second place last year.

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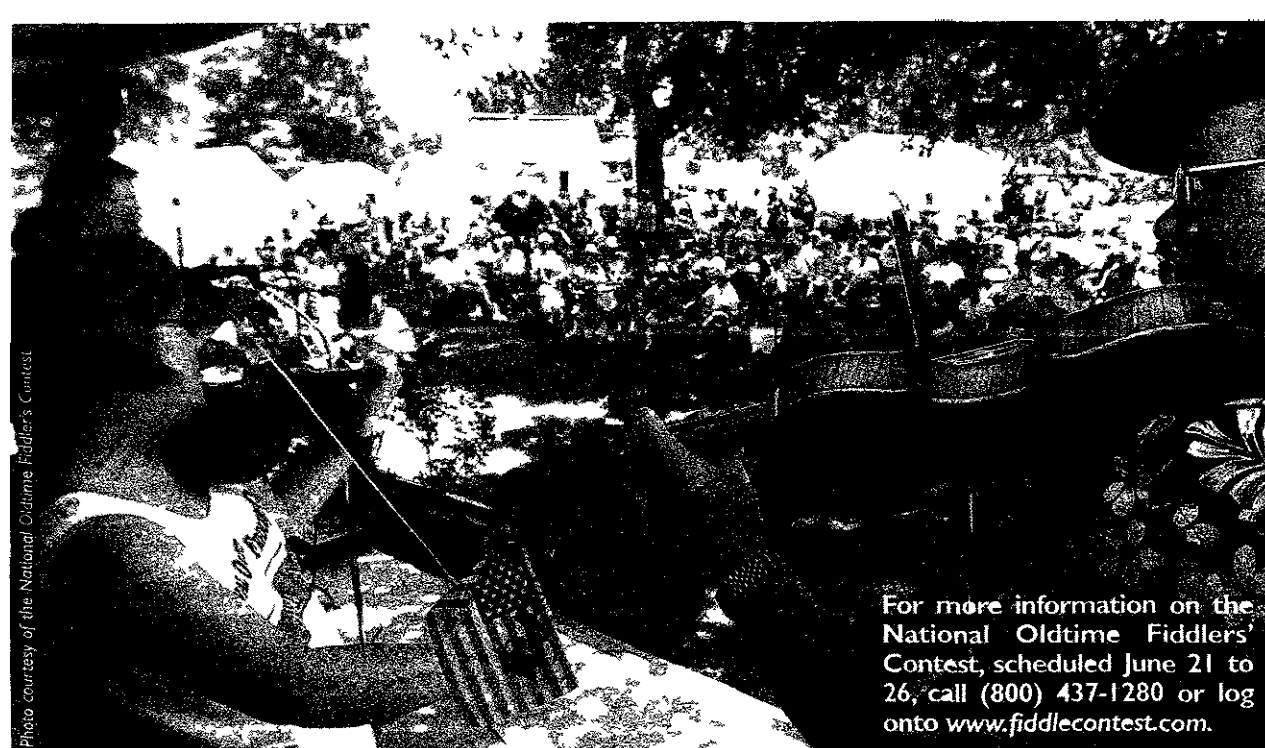
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And they don't. In groups of two or 10, players find their way into, around and back out of tunes together. The songs shared by the players over the years have forged a musical community and turned Weiser into a down-home family reunion.

Weiser is Christmas in June, says Tony Ludiker, five-time winner of the contest whose daughter, Kimber, also competes. Ludiker has attended for decades and says when he dies he wants his ashes scattered on the football field where contestants camp. It's hard to tell if he's kidding.

Musical magic

The magic happens across the road, too, in a camping area full of musicians who won't set foot on the contest stage. Some are fiddlers, but the air also is laced with the sounds of dobro, accordion, spoons and mandolin.

Kimber Ludiker, 19, rehearses a tune



Photo courtesy of the National Oldtime Fiddler's Contest

As at the gym, performing isn't the point. It's not even about winning. These players come by the hundreds, from across the country, to jam and to learn from each other. Some wander from group to group. Others gather under a shade tarp for the afternoon. Here and there stand spectators, many of them non-musicians. These small audiences seldom clap, but they're not being impolite. They understand it would only cut into playing time.

Not every musician at Weiser wants to jam. The afternoon before her bid for grand champion, Tashina Claridge practices alone outside a locked entryway to the school. She wears a red velvet skirt, a battery-powered metronome on a cord around her neck, and a calm but serious look on her face, like that of a concert violinist.

This place is so full of music, she says. I get into bed at night with 20 versions of *Hotfoot* in my head.

Three couples wander up. They have tickets to the contest. They're looking for the school's main entrance.

'You're going to practice? Can we listen?' a woman says.

As long as you don't play, Tashina replies.

All I play is the radio, a man says.

Everyone laughs, and then Tashina draws her bow across the strings and they stop. The girl closes her eyes, her bow arm swoops downward, and she begins playing in earnest. Fast notes bounce like Ping Pong balls off walkway, ceiling and walls, filling the space around her with sound.

This, she says, stopping to gesture at the walls with her bow, makes me sound better than I am. Nobody laughs. They just wait for her to play again, which after a moment she does.

And that's the best thing Weiser offers non-players: the chance to take beautiful songs, like ripe fruit straight from the hands of first-rate musicians, to join in some small way the community that music has made here. Just like old times. ☆

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by KAREN KARVONEN
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Police Chief Rhett Davis has taken an innovative approach to crime in the town of Powers Ore (pop 682). Instead of arresting wayward teenagers, he wants to give them a horse. There are some stipulations, however: the youths must stay free of crime, drugs and alcohol, must not get pregnant and must get passing grades for three years.

Since Davis started his RIDER (Realizing Individual Dreams Equestrian Ranch) program in May 2000, nearly 150 youths have signed contracts to live clean lives. In return, Davis, 46, promises them a

horse, and instructs them how to ride, train and care for it, all the while teaching them self respect and responsibility.

I've arrested some of these kids for marijuana, alcohol, criminal mischief and vandalism, Davis says.

But it's a lot more pleasant to deal with them this way. I'd rather be proactive now than actively arresting them later on.

About 10 to 15 percent of participants drop out because of drug and alcohol problems, but the ones who stay in the program turn their lives around.



Rhett Davis (center) rides with beneficiaries of his youth outreach program.

"Two girls who had failing grades and brushes with the law recently completed high school and went on to college, donating their horses back to the program," Davis says proudly.

Kathwryne Carter, 12, who recently joined Davis' program, signed up because she was getting poor grades and having a difficult time at school.

Now I don't get so upset in class," says Carter, who helps out around the 92-acre ranch. "It's a real motivator to keep my grades up because I love the horses and I like to ride Romeo in our special event—barrel racing."

Kids such as Carter not only take care of the ranch's 70 horses, they also cut firewood, fix fences, and build corrals. To keep the horses in hay and ride herd on his young charges, Davis relies on a core of community volunteers, plus grants (the Ford Foundation gave the ranch \$25,000) and local donations of money and feed.

But Davis' most valued commodity is his time, acting as a surrogate father to eight to 10 kids every day, and upwards of 45 youths during trail rides. It's quite a posse, says Davis, a single father with six children of his own.

In fact, his cowboys and cowgirls-in-training often turn to Davis when they're having problems. "I really trust him," Carter says. "He has helped me and the other kids be more confident."

Davis is single-minded in his devotion to keeping kids out of trouble. He invites them to use the gym in his house and has even opened a teen drop-in center at the RIDER office in downtown Powers, where kids can play pool and computer games and watch movies.

My vision is that we will someday have satellite ranches all over the nation with bunkhouses for inner city kids to spend a week at these ranches and ride horses," Davis says.

Those satellite ranches don't have bunkhouses yet, but Davis now has six volunteers around Oregon—in Eugene, Springfield, Cottage Grove and Salem—who have expanded his outreach to troubled kids.

Amanda Bollhorst, 13, of Springfield, joined Johnny Van Ordon's program in Eugene after her grades started to slip. She now rides in 4-H and Pony Club shows.

"The program has made me work hard to keep my horse, Herbie," Bollhorst says. "If I keep my pledge, he will be mine someday."

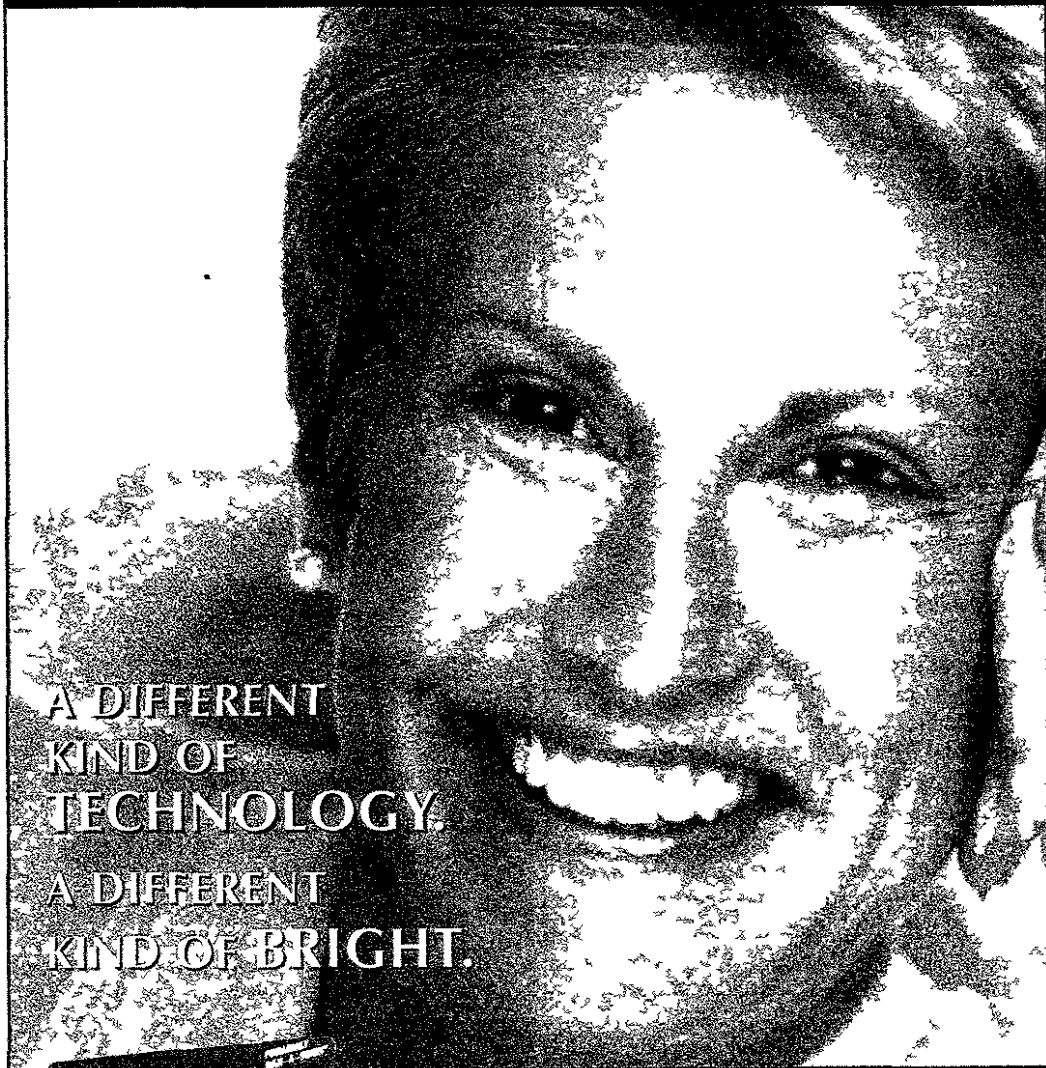
But Bollhorst does more than just ride. "I have to help pay for his food and care, so we hold candy fund-raisers and car washes to raise money."

Helping kids learn responsibility is an important part of Davis' program, but nothing gives him more satisfaction than watching kids that come from homes with abuse and drugs—who were angry and cussing when they first arrived—then seeing them smiling and happy.

Most of all, Davis, a police officer since 1978, has accomplished what many law enforcement officers only dream of doing: he's won the trust of teenagers in his community. ★

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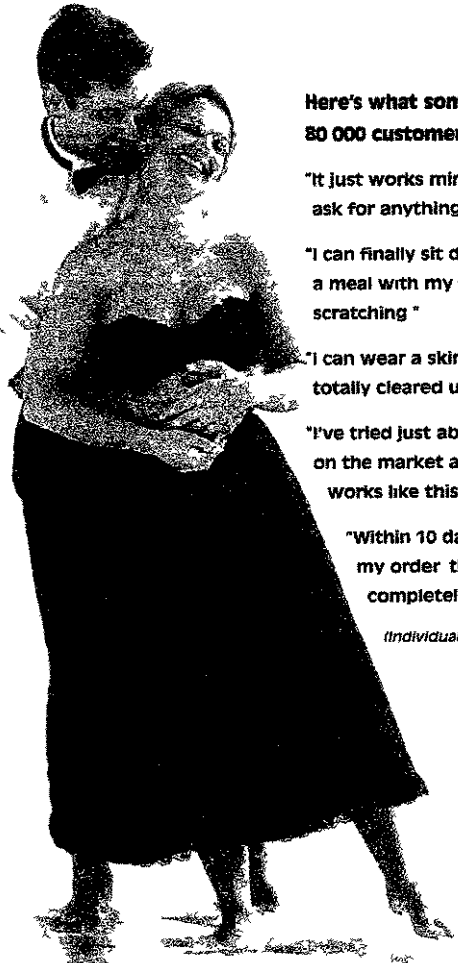
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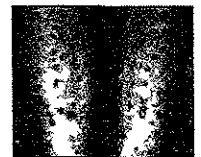
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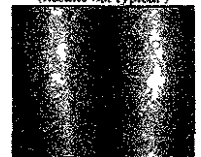
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Vegetable Pizza

- 1 16.3-ounce can Grand-size biscuits
- 1/2 cup pizza or spaghetti sauce
- 1 2.4-ounce can black olives
- 1/2 cup purple onions, sliced
- 1/2 cup green pepper, diced
- 1 cup mushrooms, sliced
- 8 ounces mozzarella cheese, shredded
- 1/2 cup tomatoes, sliced (optional)

Separate each biscuit into two or three layers. Pat them out and spread evenly over a lightly greased 12-inch pizza pan or cookie sheet. Bake in a 375-degree oven about 8 minutes, or until lightly browned. Remove from oven and cover with sauce. Spread half of the cheese evenly over the sauce and add vegetables. Sprinkle on remaining cheese and bake for 8 to 10 minutes, or until cheese melts.

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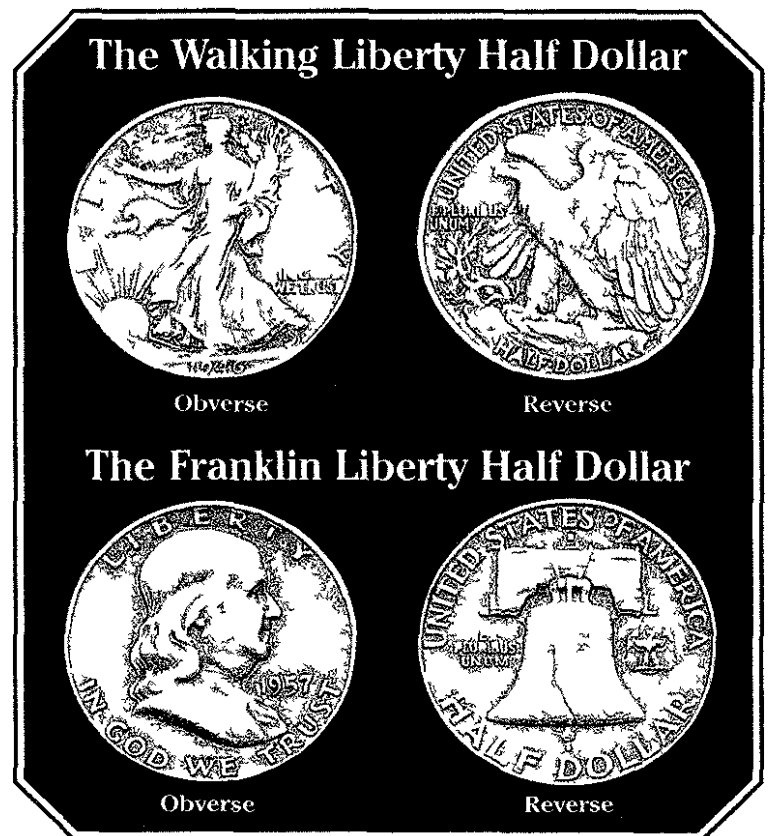
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Big Band leader Glenn Miller is Fort Morgan High School's most celebrated graduate

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When Cathy Shull was in junior high school, she learned to dance to Glenn Miller's *In The Mood*, never imagining that the famous trombonist and Big Band leader was a former resident of her hometown of Fort Morgan, Colo.

In fact, it wasn't until 1995, when the nostalgia of World War II's 50th anniversary sparked a swing music revival, that the town of 11,034 rediscovered its most famous resident. I heard people around town mentioning that Miller had lived in Fort Morgan, says Shull, who then set out to spread the word. I told the Chamber of Commerce that we had a great opportunity to bring people to our town and celebrate this great local hero.

executive director of the Fort Morgan Area Chamber of Commerce has become an expert on Miller, who joined the local football team when his family moved to town in 1918. Although he was named Best Left End in Colorado and given a college football scholarship, music was his first love.

He and his brother got caught on the high school roof playing his trombone at midnight. Shull says, "On graduation day his mom picked up his diploma because he was playing a gig in Cheyenne, Wyo."

This year's SwingFest, scheduled June 17-20, will include a music scholarship competition, a multi-media presentation on Miller's life, an afternoon concert, and a dinner dance. Fans, dressed in 40s military uniforms and evening gowns, will waltz and swing to the strains of the Glenn Miller Orchestra at the Jensen Onion Warehouse.

We always pick one of his songs as our theme. Last year it was *Chattanooga Choo Choo*, Shull says. We expect this year's event to be our biggest yet because it marks the 100th anniversary of his birthday.

This year's festival theme is *The Glen Island Special*, a song written after Miller hit the big time with an engagement at the Glen Island Casino on New York's Long Island.

As for Miller fans, they also can tour the famous musician's old haunts, places he lived and worked, and the cemetery where his parents are buried. Like many Fort Morgan boys, he was employed by Western Sugar, the local 1906 sugar beet plant that once fueled the town's economy and is still a major employer.

Plans also are underway to dedicate a new park during the festival, marking the opening of Glenn Miller Park.

The park will be located next to our original city hall, which is being restored and should be open and occupied by 2005, Shull says.

You might say all the hoopla came about because Shull and community leaders rediscovered a former resident and American music legend who used to toot his own horn in Fort Morgan. ☆

Karen Karvonen is a regular contributor.

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Swinging to a Miller classic



Photo: John LaPorte, Fort Morgan Times



Photo: Steve Greger

Cathy Shull brought the Colorado town's Glenn Miller SwingFest to life.

Town leaders loved the idea, and today the town honors the nation's legendary Big Band leader with a display at the Fort Morgan Museum and a music festival each June.

The museum's Miller exhibit includes old family photos—one of Miller with the Fort Morgan High School Maroons football team. It was at the high school that Miller started his first band, the Mick-Miller Melody Five. Other mementos include a copy of his 1942 record *Chattanooga Choo-Choo* (earning Miller the music industry's first gold record), a ticket he signed at his last civilian concert, and the flag that flew over the Capitol on the 15th anniversary of his 1944 disappearance over the Atlantic.

The town's festival is appropriately dubbed Glenn Miller SwingFest and annually draws 3,000 music lovers from as far away as Alaska and New York. Shull, who serves as

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