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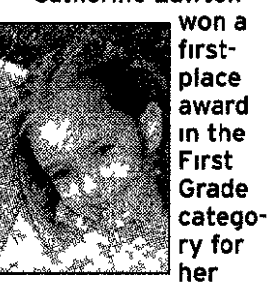
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Young authors

Two Plymouth sisters were among the winners in the 10th annual Detroit Public Television Reading Rainbow Young Writers & Illustrators Contest.

Catherine Lawton won a first-place award in the First Grade category for her story, *A Heart for Lilly*. That performance qualifies her for consideration in the national Reading Rainbow Awards competition



Her sister, Eleanor, was an honorable-mention winner in the kindergarten category for *Pretty Patty Penguin*.
The girls are the daughters of Carole Florence and Bill Lawton of Plymouth.

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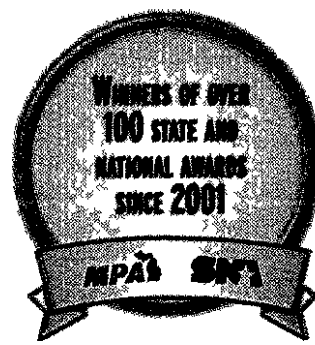
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Buyer cashes in on bank building

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

John Kim likes to take his sons Eric, 6, and Scott, 5, to Java Jungle in Canton Township because it's a place where dad can relax with a cup of his favorite drink while the kids wear off excess energy running around and climbing the playscape

However, on many occasions the Jungle was so packed the Kims couldn't get in, making it very frustrating

Kim, a Plymouth Township resident and a businessman who owns manufacturing facilities in Farmington Hills and Brampton, Ontario, got past his frustrations enough to recognize that with so many families

in the area, there obviously was a need to be fulfilled, and hopefully a buck to be made

After searching metro Detroit for several months for a location for a similar venture, Kim settled on the vacant 19th century bank building at the corner of Penniman and Main in downtown Plymouth

"The idea stemmed from my boredom at taking the kids to McDonald's, where all I could do was nurse a Coke, or Chuck E Cheese, where I would spend a small fortune on tokens," said Kim. "Those aren't places to sit and relax. If the kids are going to bounce off the walls, let's do something I enjoy, too, while the kids burn off energy"

Known by many in Plymouth as the "empty bank building

downtown," Kim said he has a deal in principle with owner Tom Prose, who owns General Medicine Inc. in Plymouth, to purchase the 13,250-square-foot structure

"We haven't closed yet," said Kim, "but, hopefully, we'll get it done sometime in August"

Terry Bixler, a vice president of Thomas A. Duke Company in Southfield, brokered the deal for Prose, who has owned the building for a decade. It last housed the National Bank of Detroit, which moved out several years ago, but was reportedly still paying on the terms of a long-term lease to Prose

"It's been on the market to lease for three years, and for sale for 90 days," Bixler said. "We've had a dozen or more

offers in the last year, but the terms weren't acceptable to the owner

"Once we put it on the market for sale, there was immediate strong interest," added Bixler, who lives in Plymouth. "That was more attractive to people because they could own it, as compared to coming in as a tenant"

Bixler said the building was priced at \$2.5 million. Kim said he "bought it for a little less than that"

"I've always loved that building," said Kim. "Seeing it empty for years was heartbreaking. It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to have something like this. And, I thought our idea was a good fit for downtown"

So does next door neighbor

Larry Bird, who owns Gabriela's gift shop

"I think it's a great idea," said Bird. "Anything to get youth coming into downtown, especially something that is family-oriented. I'm all for that"

"When you have a building vacant for that long, it doesn't make for a positive image for downtown," added Bird. "So, it's a good thing it's going to be occupied"

Plymouth Downtown Development Director Bob Anderson echoed Bird's sentiments

"I'm very supportive of something going into that building," Anderson said. "It's such a classic building and I'd sure love for

PLEASE SEE BUILDING, A5



Douglas Rathburn of Plymouth whoops it up during midnight celebrations of the Pistons' 2004 NBA championship earned with a 100-87 win over the Los Angeles Lakers Tuesday night

Plymouth celebrates Pistons title victory

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Wild cheering and car horns could be heard for blocks as normally quiet downtown Plymouth was transformed into a wild celebration as hundreds of teenagers celebrated the Detroit Pistons' NBA championship Tuesday

Immediately following the Pistons' 100-87 win over the Los Angeles Lakers for the title, a large crowd formed at Main Street and Ann Arbor Trail to celebrate the first Pistons championship in 14 years

The usually quiet corner was a sea of Pistons fans jumping up and down, and teens screamed and slapped high

fives with people sitting in the backs of pickups and with passing motorists who honked their horns

There wasn't much Plymouth or Plymouth Township police could do but stand in the boulevard on Main and watch to make sure nothing but good-natured fun was being had by all

"Nothing significant has happened so far," said Plymouth police Sgt. Al Cox. "Everyone is just having fun"

As with most impromptu celebrations that find their way to downtown Plymouth, much of the crowd wasn't even from Plymouth. But, teens know Main Street is the place to be to celebrate anything

"This is where everyone goes," said

Katie Foster, 17, of Ypsilanti, who was wearing a Ben Wallace jersey. "We're here to root for the Pistons!"

"Beautiful game, the best I've ever seen!" screamed Rani Durani, 24, of Northville. "The Pistons are No. 1!"

Chris Jordan, 18, of Farmington Hills, was walking around Kellogg Park with friends after watching the game at the Box Bar with friends

"We were going to Champpps in Livonia, but they were 21 and older," he said

"Someone heard about this place, so we decided to come"

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Mardigian, Simescu claim school seats

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Voters who cast ballots in Monday's Plymouth-Canton school election were very decisive in their choices to fill two seats on the Board of Education

Current board President Judy Mardigian of Plymouth Township, who has been on the board for six years, was the top vote-getter in winning her second four-year term with 2,094 votes

Next in line was Barry Simescu of Plymouth, who collected 1,852 votes and will serve his first four-year term on the board

Becky Moore of Canton Township, former Hulsing Elementary principal, received 861 votes. Will Gibbins, a Canton High School senior who graduated last week, gathered 377 votes

Mardigian and Simescu received the highest number of votes in all 18 precincts plus the absentee ballots, in an election which continues to draw very few voters to the polls. Only 2,756 residents - 3.8 percent of the district's 72,000 voters - cast ballots

"I think experience played a big role, and the receptivity of the voters to what I had to say," Mardigian said. "Certainly, with the challenges the district is facing, experience, I think, is really critical. I think the work I've been doing has been recognized and affirmed, and I'm very happy about that"

"The bond issue is the next thing to be very excited about for our community because it will maintain our infrastructure and make our schools more desirable," she said. "You're going to see me get very involved in legislation action, more than I have been the last couple of years, and you're going to see me very involved in the bond"

Simescu wanted to savor the moment after watching the vote totals at the Board of Education office

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Daddy plays doctor

'Scared' father delivers son with operator's help

BY KRISTOPHER J. BROOKS
STAFF WRITER

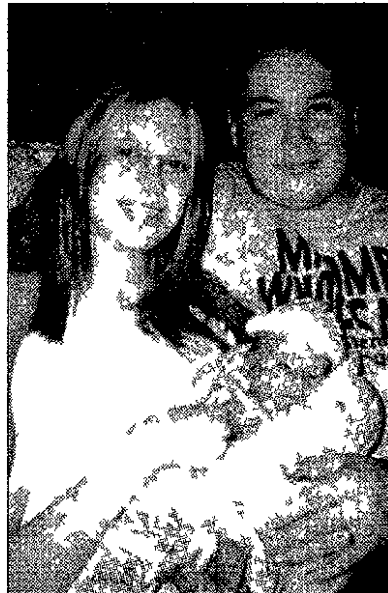
It was dark and her husband had gone to bed for the night, but Beverly VanCamp was wide awake

She paced in and out of her bathroom because she

didn't know what was going on inside her. Then, around 2:30 a.m., the 20-year-old Plymouth resident went into labor

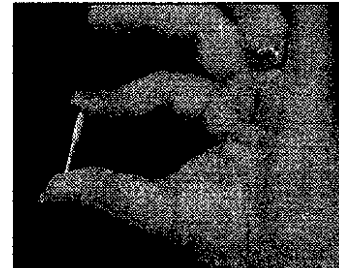
"I tried to wake my husband up at 2:40 and say

PLEASE SEE BABY, A5



Beverly and Craig VanCamp with their son, Christian, delivered by daddy at home, with the help of a 911 operator

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HEALTH Helpful

New devices are helping make life more pleasant for those with incontinence

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SUNRISE SALE

Shoppers who get an early start Saturday will get a shot at a variety of bargains in the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce's "Sunrise Sale," which takes place from 7-10 a.m.

The sale, which features a variety of Plymouth's shops and galleries, gives buyers 50 percent off the first item and 20 percent off all other items. Balloons will mark the participating stores.

Also Saturday, the Farmer's Market continues in The Gathering, located next to the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth.

SAT HONORS

Willa Chen, a 12-year-old seventh-grader from East Middle School, achieved the highest SAT score among all seventh-graders who participated in Midwest Talent Search 2004.

Each year, approximately 32,000 middle school students who demonstrate high academic ability take SAT and/or ACT exams with college-bound high school students. Willa, the daughter of Kevin and



Chen

Lung Chen and a Canton resident, earned total scores of 1550 on the SAT and 34 on the ACT. She was honored at the annual awards ceremony held at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., on June 5. She was the only seventh-grader in the region awarded medals in all six categories: first place in SAT composite and SAT verbal, second place in SAT math, ACT composite and ACT Reading, and third place in ACT Math.

KIWANIS HONORS FATHERS

The Kiwanis Club of Plymouth-Canton Breakfast sponsors a series of pancake breakfasts at the Masonic Temple in downtown Plymouth to raise money to support its projects, and the breakfast Saturday is a special one.

Father's attending Saturday's breakfast get their tickets for \$1 off. Breakfast is served from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, and again July 10,

Aug. 7 and Sept. 4. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12. Children age 5 and younger served free.

Proceeds from the breakfasts — which include all-you-can-eat eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, biscuits and gravy and coffee, tea or juice — support community activities such as an annual scholarship, sweat suits for First Step, Bentley Elementary School read-a-thon, church directories for area hotels/motels, Halloween Costumes for hospitalized children, Youth Leadership Canton and Leadership Plymouth.

GARDEN WALK

Trailwood Garden Club presents the ninth-annual "Flowers are Forever Garden Walk" from noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday, June 22.

Participants will enjoy several lovely gardens, and complimentary refreshments will be served. Garden tools will be collected for the Capuchin Kitchen Gardens.

Tickets are \$7 pre-sale and \$8 the day of the tour, raffle tickets will be available for \$1 or three-for-\$2. Tickets are available at Saxton's Garden Center, 587 W.

Ann Arbor Trail, Backyard Birds, 627 S. Main, and Georgia Randinitis, (734) 459-7146.

TEEN SUMMER PROGRAM

The Plymouth District Library has planned a wide variety of programs as part of its Teen Summer Reading program, "GET LOST @ THE LIBRARY." To kick off the program, the library staff has planned a soccer murder mystery pizza party, "Death Gets a Red Card," to be held Monday, June 21, at 6 p.m. (not 7, as previously advertised).

All area teens are invited to be an active part of the mystery or just to watch for clues as part of the audience. There are still be some acting parts available for the mystery portion of the program.

Interested teens should contact Cathy Lichtman at clichtman@plymouthlibrary.org or by calling (734) 453-0750, Ext. 230. Pizza, pop and dessert will be served. This program is made possible by the support of the Friends of the Plymouth District Library.

All should register in advance for this free program by calling (734) 453-0750, Ext. 4.



Artistic touch

Plymouth artist Scott Lurain has never really been a big basketball fan, but friends recently introduced him to the thrill of roundball. His response? A large painting dedicated to the 2004 Detroit Pistons. The work is mixed media, acrylic paint on corrugated board with chicken wire.

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Expanding their horizons

E&E looks south to protect company's future

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

In a move designed to increase sales and protect the future of the company, Plymouth-based E&E Manufacturing Co Inc is expanding to the South.

Wes Smith, president of E&E, said the company has purchased a former manufacturing facility in Athens, Tenn., to meet the needs of automakers and tier-one suppliers who want to do business with companies that are nearby.

"Those people in the metal stamping industry that seem to be doing extremely well, and are thriving in today's market, have a good portion of their sales with the new domestics (foreign automakers)," Smith said. "And in order to service the new domestics, you really need to be down there."

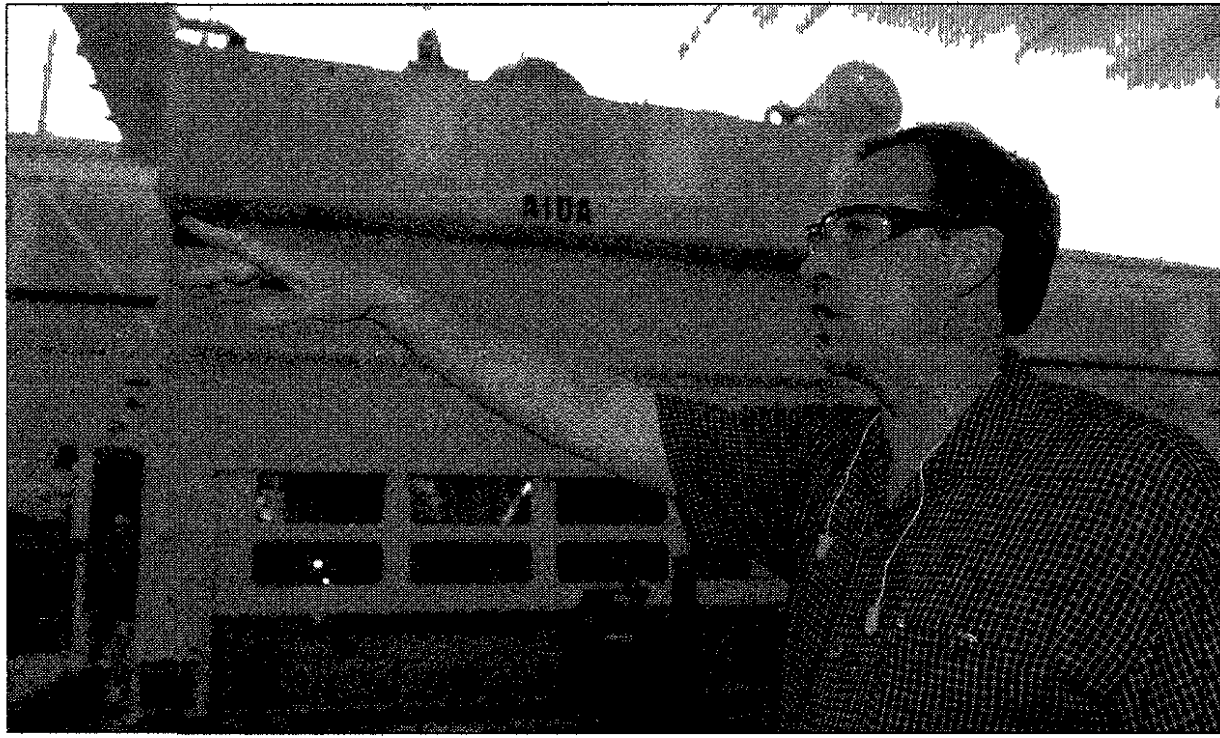
Operating in Athens will allow E&E to do business with automakers like Nissan, Mercedes Benz and Toyota, and major tier-one automotive suppliers Lear Corporation, Denso and Tower Automotive, all of whom have facilities in the South.

Smith bought the former Athens Products, a 187,000-square-foot manufacturing facility on 56 acres of land. The building is smaller than the Plymouth campus, which is three buildings encompassing 250,000 square feet on Industrial Road in Plymouth.

"This allows us to become a stronger and better company because that additional growth and additional revenue allows me to maintain this base up here," Smith said. "We physically have no more land to expand, and I don't want to have another building in another community in the area."

"It's going to allow us to be here for the next 20 years, participating in the community," he added. "That's one of the things we pride ourselves on, giving back to the community. We think that's important."

Smith said he'd thought about



Wes Smith says the expansion of E&E Manufacturing to Tennessee will allow the company's Plymouth campus to flourish, as well.



Welder Pawel Bronakowski tosses a finished part into a parts bin at E&E Manufacturing's Plymouth plant.

expansion, and expected it to come in another year. But the price he paid for the Athens plant was too good to pass up now.

"We intend on being in Plymouth for a long time, we're committed to the city," Smith said. "But it would be unwise for me to think that you could be here in Michigan and support a plant in Alabama or Tennessee without being close by, especially when they say you need to be close if you want to do business with us. In the long run, it will mean we will be a

survivor in the market.

Smith said the investment will ultimately reach \$5-\$6 million when the plant is up and running. He expects to hire 30-50 employees within the next year, and build a workforce of about 250-300 in the future. The Plymouth plant currently employs 292 people.

E&E has hired Paul Pratt as general manager of the Athens facility. Pratt worked at Athens Products for nine years before a 17-year career at Johnson Control International in Athens. "I've known Paul since the 1980s, and he has a similar value system and morals," Smith said. "I've got complete confidence in him."

Athens has a population of approximately 15,000 people. It's the county seat of McMinn County, which has 50,000 residents. Jack Hammontree, the executive vice president of the McMinn County Economic Development Authority, said the Athens area is much like

Michigan, having lost thousands of manufacturing jobs the past few years.

"We've suffered a great deal, losing about 2,000 manufacturing jobs in the last three or four years," Hammontree said. "Back then, 42 percent of our jobs were a result of manufacturing. That's down to about 37.5 percent now."

"We're happy to get back good-paying jobs in manufacturing," he added. "And when you hear about how good a corporate citizen E&E is, it makes us really pleased to have them come here."

Hammontree said Athens is at the geographical center of several assembly operations in Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, South Carolina and Georgia.

Smith said E&E expects sales to reach \$75 million next year. When the Athens facility is up, it could bring in another \$7-\$10 million annually.

As for future expansion beyond Athens,

"We're taking it one step at a time," Smith said. "We're certainly not looking at expanding to China or Mexico. I think it's important we protect the U.S. manufacturing base."

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Artists getting ready for annual art festival

Celebrating its 24th year, Plymouth Art in the Park paints downtown Plymouth streets from July 9-11.

The streets surrounding Kellogg Park in the heart of downtown Plymouth will be lined with more than 400 artists from around the country and around the globe. Plymouth Art in the Park features the finest selection of contemporary fine art and crafts while guests of the event also enjoy entertainment, excellent food, and an action-packed weekend, according to the mother-daughter organizers, Dianne Quinn and Raychel Rork.

Thousands of original pieces of art — including paintings, sculpture, ceramics, jewelry, fiber, art, fine glass, woodwork, mixed media, photography, and folk art — all come together to create the second largest art fair in Michigan. From practical to surreal, witty to the extravagant, there is bound to be something for everyone, according to Quinn.

This year, Art in the Park fostered a new partnership with Schoolcraft College's Continuing Education Department. The Schoolcraft Adult Art Zone is a new highlight at the event which will encourage adults to try their hand at creating their own masterpiece. Art instructors from Schoolcraft College will be on-site offering hands-on classes in a variety of mediums.

The event continues with its commitment in providing educational activities that allow children to experience the art-making process. For the last six years, a mural has been designed to allow the children to work their magic while collectively creating a work of art.

This year's finished mural, sponsored by Meijer, will be given to Schoolcraft College to put on display as part of the college's own art collection. In addition to the mural, there will also be several children artists on-site selling anything from painted clay animals to a colorful assortment of beaded name bracelets. Face painting, candy art, and sand art are just a few more of the activities available to children.

Art in the Park runs noon to 8 p.m. Friday, July 9, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, July 10, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 11.

Plymouth Art in the Park continues to support the arts and community non-profits through community service programs. Through this support, this event makes a significant contribution in the future of its community.

For more information, visit Plymouth Art in the Park Web site at www.artintheparkinc.com or call the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce at (734) 453-1540. For directions call the city of Plymouth at (734) 453-1234.

This year's festival features shuttle service from the Visteon plant on Sheldon Road. Round-trip tickets are \$1, children 12 and under ride free.



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Bessie E. Dardas, 86, of Farmington Hills, died June 10

E
Olga Edwards, 82, of Farmington, died June 11

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Arlene Green, 69, of Beverly Hills, died June 12

K
Harold John Kiekbusch, 80, of Rochester died June 12

M
Lucienne L. Menendez, 91, of Farmington Hills, died June 10
Dorothy K. Mounsey of Livonia, died June 13

O
Anna M. Opitz, 103, of Farmington Hills, died June 11

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Chester Robinette, 71, of Farmington Hills, died June 12

V
Regina Mary "Gina" Verros, of Clarkston died June 13

W
Robert E. Williams, 82, of Farmington Hills, died June 14
Richard Grandon Westerman, 86, of Sarasota, Fla., formerly of Birmingham, died June 9



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FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs between June 9-15

Tuesday, June 15 – Residential rescue runs on Fox, on Newport, on Brookline, on Blunk and on Holbrook, rescue run on Ann Arbor Trail, vehicle accident at Ann Arbor Road and Beck

Monday, June 14 – Residential rescue runs on Newport, on Sheldon on Hidden Creek, on Coolidge and on Haggerty, vehicle accidents on eastbound M-14 west of Beck, on Haggerty south of 5 Mile and on Red Maple Court (with wash-down), investigations on Adams and on Harvey, rescue run on eastbound Hines, industrial

rescue run on Ann Arbor Road

Sunday, June 13 – Residential rescue runs on Newporte, on Haggerty, on Elmhurst, on Thornridge and on Starkweather carbon monoxide detector run on Maple, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Trail, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road, smoke investigation on Starkweather

Saturday, June 12 – Residential rescue runs on Haggerty, on 5 Mile, on Northville Road, on Red Maple and on Forest, industrial rescue run on Keel commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road and on S. Main, investigation on Deer Creek Run, rescue run on southbound I-275 at Ann Arbor Road, vehicle accident with wash-down at Sheldon and Nantucket

Friday, June 11 – Industrial rescue run on Halyard commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Trail, rescue runs on Starkweather and on Pennman, special run on Ann Arbor Road, carbon monoxide detector run on Sheldon

Thursday, June 10 – Downed wires on Auburn, commercial rescue runs on Helm, on S. Main and on Concept, rescue run on Ann Arbor Road at I-275 residential rescue runs on Pacific on Haggerty and on Jener, rescue runs to a public building on Ann Arbor Road mutual-aid given run on northbound I-275 south of Joy

Wednesday, June 9 – Residential rescue runs on Sheldon on Haggerty and on Governor Bradford downed wires on Ann on Adams, on Evergreen, on Harvey at Union and Church and on Auburn investigation on Landers, vehicle fire on General Court, industrial rescue run on Sheldon, rescue run to a public building on Ann Arbor Road

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DONALD J. ALLEY

Judy Mardigan congratulates fellow Board of Education winner Barry Simescu and his wife, Dorothee, during a victory dinner at EG Nicks in downtown Plymouth Monday

SEATS

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"I've got a lot of learning to do, and then we'll go to work," he said. "I bring an open mind, nothing preconceived and nothing prejudged at this point."

"Obviously, we still need to keep the pressure on our legislators, that's the biggest part of our budget we need to take care of," Simescu added. "We need to keep the kids first and the big job now is to get the bond passed."

Simescu's first meeting will be July 7, at the board's reorganization meeting when officers are elected. Trustee Elizabeth Givens, who did not

seek re-election after two terms on the board, will serve until the end of June

While only getting 377 votes, Gibbins said the experience will be a springboard for future aspirations

"The experience will be invaluable in the next election, when I give it a go," said Gibbins, who graduated from Salem High School June 6

"The biggest thing for me is that I got 377 votes because of people hearing about my views and agreeing with how I feel. It appears people do think I would be a good asset to the board"

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TERRY G BENNETT Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR BID

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TERRY G BENNETT, Clerk

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BABY

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'Honey we really need to go to the hospital' but he was like 'Oh, it'll be fine, just go back to bed,' she said

By the time her husband, Craig, jumped out of bed his son was on the way

'It scared me to death. It wasn't actually out, but I could see it,' the father said. 'It was two minutes after I woke up.'

Shortly after, Christian Kenneth VanCamp was born - June 8 - on his mother and father's bed. He was 5 pounds and 15 ounces.

Craig VanCamp, 24, delivered his son via telephone instructions from 9-1-1.

'When I called 9-1-1, he told me to get towels,' Craig VanCamp said. 'The head popped out and the guy told me to turn the baby to the left - the rest came right out and then I sat it on her stomach.'

Beverly VanCamp said it took eight minutes to deliver Christian.

'I only had to push four times and he came out. I was lucky,' she said.

After Christian's delivery, the VanCamps called emergency medical service to their home. EMS made sure the baby was OK.

'Normally the baby comes out blue or kind of icky-looking but he wasn't, he was just beautiful,' said Christian's grandmother, Harriet M Spurlin.

Beverly VanCamp, 20, was scheduled to deliver at Providence Hospital, but Christian was eventually checked out at St. Mary Mercy Hospital.

Craig VanCamp said he drove to the hospital while EMS took his wife in an ambulance. Beverly VanCamp can't wait to tell Christian the story of his home delivery.

'That's going to be a great story. It's going to be great especially for my husband, who can say he was the one who delivered him,' she said.

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Sheriff unhappy with budget, mandates

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Sheriff's Department is facing a \$9.9 million deficit and Sheriff Warren Evans doesn't think he's getting a fair hearing from former sheriff and now County Executive Robert Ficano.

The 2004 sheriff's department budget is \$123.1 million, with \$80 million coming from the county's general fund. The rest of the budget comes from grants, seizures, fees and fines.

The biggest deficit item is operation of the county jail, with a deficit projected at \$10,250,814.

Evans blames his department's deficit on \$9.9 million in 'unfunded mandated services,' unrealistically low overtime budget and a reduction in the jail budget for the first time in five years.

The unfunded mandates include uncovered salary and benefit increases gained through collective bargaining, cuts in mental health care services, cuts in food services, police academy and court-ordered training.

There is a point where the piper is going to have to be paid, Evans said. We're get-



Evans



Ficano

ting close to that now." In charts based on the Wayne County Adopted Budget, Evans said the jail budget was reduced from \$86.4 million in 2003 to \$85.5 million in 2004 despite actual spending in 2003 of \$90.4 million.

Ficano said last week that all county departments have had budget cuts and will be expected to make more cuts as the county faces a projected \$32 million to \$35 million deficit for the next budget year.

'Here's what's going on. We're facing a budget deficit because of the state and everything else. Everybody has been asked to cut back,' Ficano said.

We actually increased his budget from last year. He has 100 more officers than when I was sheriff and he has two less floors with prisoners. Because of jail count dropping, he has

two floors that are closed. So in theory he's supposed to take the 100 officers and plug them in so there's no overtime.'

Ficano said Evans had also failed to reach revenue projections.

'The budget was an increase from my previous administration and I'm sensitive to it,' Ficano said. 'But at the same time everyone is cutting back and he has more officers. There's a tipping point.'

Sheriff's Department spokesman John Roach said the general fund budget has been reduced from the previous year. He said increases have come from grants, fees and seizures. Evans said those funds do not impact the operations.

The sexy argument is that if the sheriff would just stop doing all the police stuff with the money he could take care of his court responsibilities and the county would be all right, Evans said.

'The reality is that revenue neutral items can't affect the budget, so it's a sexy argument, but there's not a (bit) of validity to do it.'

Roach said more efficient operations have allowed the sheriff to close a floor and a

half at the jail for a savings of approximately \$1 million. He said the courts require that one floor be kept empty for regular maintenance.

During his years as sheriff, Ficano frequently clashed with the administration of County Executive Edward McNamara about overtime for jail operations.

Evans said he is having the same problem. For 2003 he was budgeted \$1.9 million for overtime, but actually spent \$8.8 million. For 2004 he is budgeted 900,000 and projected spending of \$5.8 million.

'As much as Ed McNamara beat him up over the budget, and I say that as someone who was his undersheriff in those years and carried the message, he was budgeted one amount, his actuals were above and at the end of the year, not only were his actuals covered but he was given a substantial increase for the next year,' Evans said.

Evans said he has a couple of quarters to make his case with the commission and with the county executive for next year's budget. Ficano said he is willing to meet with the sheriff and discuss his budget problems.

BUILDING

FROM PAGE A1

it to be a showpiece for downtown.

Kim said he is partners in the deal with Heather Eisenhardt, who lives in Ann Arbor and is an Eastern Michigan University geography teacher.

'Heather has expertise in retail, and we're going to lean on that,' Kim said.

Kim said the cafe-style restaurant will offer coffee, cappuccino, espresso and other drinks, as well as baked goods. He's negotiating with Detroit Bagel Company and Afternoon Delight in Ann Arbor to supply the food.

Kim said the cafe-jungle gym idea is still in the planning stages, but said the playscape itself will cost more than \$100,000.

'We won't start doing anything in the building until we close on the deal in August,' said Kim. We hope to have everything completed by the first of the year. Knock on wood.'

The bank building is the second landmark downtown building to be sold recently. The Penn Theatre was bought by local investors Chris Knight and Pat Tortora earlier this year.

Tortora said last week the pair is still undecided as to exactly what will eventually transpire in the old theater.

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Reagan was major influence on McCotter

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

Last week wasn't ordinary for Thaddeus McCotter. On Wednesday morning, Livonia's 11th District Republican congressman would have had a full slate of committee meetings. On this Wednesday, his only obligation would be at 1 p.m. - a one-minute tribute on the House floor to Ronald Reagan.

"I was a freshman at Catholic Central when he became president. He was the first person I could vote for for president and I did," McCotter said.

The conservative patriarch of the GOP has been a major influence on the self-described conservative lawmaker.

"When Jerry Ford became president, that was cool because you had a guy from Michigan," McCotter said. "After Ford lost to some guy from Georgia, to a lot of people my age, we said we don't have a president anymore. Then as circumstances developed with Carter it became a question of competence to do the job."

"When Reagan came in, a lot of my friends were more energized by him than I was. I wasn't particularly interested in politics but felt he'd do better

than the guy that was in there." McCotter said it got down to a simple equation, what Reagan did worked and things Carter did didn't work.

For McCotter, Reagan had a clear ideological approach to issues. Even as successful as Democrat Bill Clinton was, McCotter said he lacked a clear focus and failed to establish a strong centrist Democratic Party in the way Reagan put a conservative stamp on the GOP.

NOT ORDINARY TIMES

This unusual week of tributes, solemn corteges, Capitol viewings and a state funeral had one upside for the congressman. He thought he might be able to duck out for a few minutes to see an exhibit of photographs of the Beatles' first U.S. visit at the Smithsonian's American History Museum.

A guitarist who occasionally sits in with his brother's band, McCotter has often said his first influences were the legends of rock. In his outer office at Suite 415 of the Cannon House Office Building, the walls are adorned with posters of the Beatles' exhibit. In his office, along with several reproductions of paintings by John Singer Sargent is the framed cover of Bob Dylan's transitional *Bringing It All Back Home* album.

McCotter has also missed seeing an exhibit on Winston Churchill and the FDR Memorial.

"I don't get to go anywhere," he said.

He's tied to his office, to

committee meetings and to an insistent bell that demands his attendance to vote.

He started this day, however, with baseball practice in Alexandria. He plays outfield for the congressional baseball team. In July, the team will play its annual charity game at a minor league field in Maryland.

(Former Plymouth Congressman) Carl Pursell is actually in the congressional baseball hall of fame. He was a first baseman all those years, McCotter said with obvious admiration.

He said in the past members have even played at the service academies. Last year, they lost by a respectable score of 6-0 in a game at West Point.

The rest of a member's day is unpredictable.

"You get a lot of visitors during budget time. That's when people come in. They want you to sign letters. You can run them pretty steady. We always want to meet with people from the district and then we prioritize," McCotter said.

In Washington, McCotter has a five-person staff plus an intern.

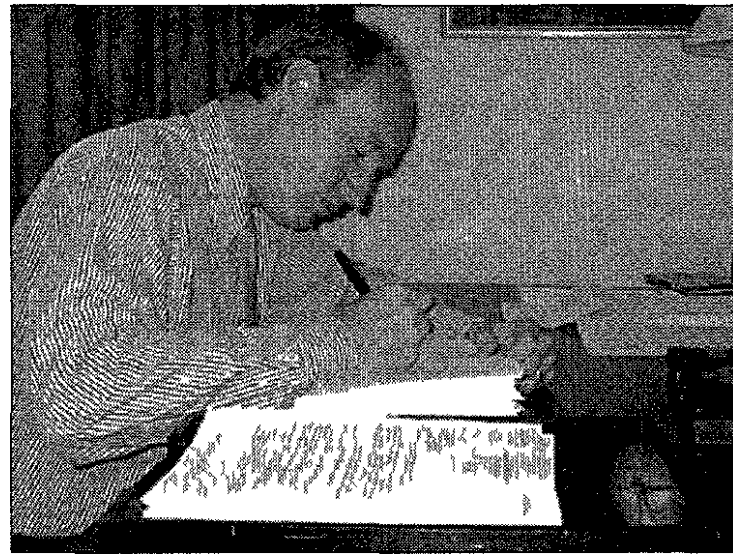
In Livonia, he has seven people working constituent service.

He is budgeted "roughly a million dollars" to cover staff salaries and office expenses.

"If I go over, it comes out of my personal pocket," he said.

McCotter serves on three committees - Budget, International Relations and Small Business.

"In the afternoon, that thing (the bell) will start going off for the House to vote 15 minutes,



Ronald Reagan was the 'first person I could vote for for president and I did,' said U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, R-Livonia.

five minutes. I would have to run over, vote, run back. Keep up with the mail. It's much more physically demanding than I expected," he said.

GETTING HEARD

McCotter pointed to a stack of letters that he will sign. He said he often hears from constituents that he hasn't answered their last letter. They often make the mistake of sending their letters to Washington.

All congressional mail is diverted to Cincinnati for screening. Mailing letters to Livonia or e-mailing guarantees a quicker response.

His office is good-sized and comfortably furnished with black leather chairs. In addition to the wall decorations, he has some personal touches, including family photos and a small Irish flag on his desk.

When not working, McCotter lives in a basement apartment in the city.

He said some members live in their offices, humorously dubbed Club Fed.

A few veteran congressional leaders have second homes. But McCotter is always quick to catch a plane back to Livonia.

"I've never been able to sleep away from home very well," he said.

This week, McCotter will have his wife, Rita, and three children with him in Washington for a few days. He is looking forward to taking son George, 11, on to the House floor. Children aren't allowed on the House floor after they turn 12. Then the family will do some of the more kid-friendly sights - son Timothy is 9, daughter Emiha is 7 - before driving home to Livonia.

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONSIDERATION OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR
WINGS TWELVE, INC.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 6 Section 6 32 of the Charter Township of Canton that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday July 13 2004 at the Summit on the Park 46000 Summit Parkway at 7 00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To hear and take testimony to consider and recommend an action to the Michigan Liquor License Commission of the request of Wings Twelve Inc. for issuance of a Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Official Food permits to be located at the former Cooker Restaurant located at 41980 Ford Road Canton Michigan 48188.

All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date.

TERRY G BENNETT
Clerk

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids enclosed in an envelope which has been sealed and clearly labeled with the words "Saltz Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project" along with the name address phone number of the Contractor the date and time of bid opening will be received by the Charter Township of Canton Clerk's Office 1st Floor 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton MI 48188 until 3:00 p.m., Thursday July 1, 2004, at which time the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud for the following described project:

Saltz Road Sanitary Sewer Extension Project.

Project consists of constructing approximately 3,245 lineal feet of new 15-inch sanitary sewer along the south side of Saltz Road and east side of Ridge Road. Project consists of tree removals, installation of sanitary manholes, connection to the existing 15-inch sanitary sewer on the north side of Saltz Road, bore and jack, testing of new sanitary sewer main, driveways, and restoration.

Bid documents are available to pick up at Warner Cantrell & Padmos, Inc. A non-refundable fee of forty five dollars (\$45.00) will be charged for the bid packet. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cashier's check certified check money order or a bid bond in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the proposal.

Bid Documents are on file for review at Warner Cantrell & Padmos Inc. Canton Township Department of Public Works Building, Construction Association of Michigan, F.W. Dodge, and Construction Market Data.

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The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part and accept only the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Township.

TERRY G BENNETT Clerk

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**NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE
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CANTON TOWNSHIP BOARD
RESOLUTION # 4**

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WHEREAS, this Board having tentatively declared its intention to make such improvements and tentatively designated the above described premises as a special assessment district against which the cost of said improvement is to be assessed and

WHEREAS the Township Board has caused to be prepared plans showing the public improvements the location thereof, and an estimate of the cost thereof which have been filed with the Township Clerk Canton Township Michigan for public examination

Take further notice that the property owners included in the special assessment district have the right to appeal the special assessment levy to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. In order to protest the levy an appearance by the property owner by mail or by an agent of the property owner must be made at the public hearing held June 22 2004.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board will meet on Tuesday, the 22nd day of June, 2004, at 7 o'clock p.m. Eastern Standard Time at the Summit 46000 Summit Parkway, Chestnut Room Canton Michigan to hear objections to the special assessment roll.

Terry Bennett Township Clerk

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2004**

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 7 03 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present.

Jeff Pardee Financial Director of the City of Adrian presented an award on behalf of the Michigan Municipal Finance Officers Association (MMFOA) and Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) to the Township for excellence in financial reporting for the publication of its annual comprehensive financial report. He then presented a "Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting" to Treasurer Ron Edwards.

Mr. Edwards thanked Supervisor Mann Clerk Massengill Accountant Ron Berry and the staff of Plante and Moran for their involvement in gathering information for the financial report. He also presented a gift of appreciation to Deputy Treasurer Amy Hammye and Joe Heffernan from Plante and Moran.

A moment of silence was taken in memory of late President Ronald Reagan.

Mrs. Massengill amended the agenda by removing Item H 1 under Community Development Approve the Planned Unit Development Option for Application 1836 Proposed Residential Development Plymouth Road, as requested by the applicant. She then moved to approve the Agenda for the June 8 2004 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as amended. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to accept the Consent Agenda for the June 8 2004 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Norma Funke of Newport Drive suggested a room be included in the proposed Township Hall that could be used by senior citizens or mothers and young children who reside on the southeast side of the Township.

Dan Jacobs of A3C informed the Board of his availability to answer questions during the item regarding the award of bid for architectural services for the Police/Fire and Township Hall Complex.

Project Engineer Rhett Gronevelt addressed the Board and answered questions regarding the Special Assessment District for Plymouth Gardens and Finch Subdivisions Paving. He also referred to a letter from Mr. Hotchkins regarding the paved approach from the adjoining subdivision being extended partially across his lot frontage. With questions remaining as to whether Wayne County would require removal and replacement of that portion the lot is left in the S A D because his lot and the lot across the street would derive benefit from the paving project. Mr. Hotchkins was informed, however that if the pavement that approaches his driveway is not touched he would have some consideration because his driveway has access to a paved road now.

Mr. Mann opened the Public Hearing at 7 24 p.m.

The following residents in the proposed S A D district objected to the paving: Richard Desautel Dan Smelzer Michael Haselhuhn Pat Brothers and Mr. and Mrs. Jendrusik. Concerns centered on the low percentages of signatures on individual streets such as Lakeland Ct and Finch the loss of trees the possibility of increased traffic and increased traffic speed and the loss of country charm.

William Hundley of Lakeland Court spoke in favor of the project.

There being no further comment the Public Hearing was closed at 7 47 p.m.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve Resolution 04 06 08 24 authorizing the Engineer to complete final Engineering Drawings to take bids, and have the Supervisor prepare final Special Assessment Roll for the Board's approval upon completion of the thirty (30) day waiting period provided no objections have been filed. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL. AYES Massengill Arnold Herriman Edwards Mann NAYS Curmi Munfakh Motion carried. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve Application 1837 the PUD Contract and Planned Unit Development Site Plan for the St. John's Complex for approximately 175 acres that are located east of Sheldon Road and south of Five Mile. Seconded by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all.

Mr. Edwards moved to approve the acceptance of the bid from A3C for architectural services for the Police Fire and Town Hall Complex at a cost of \$500,000.00 as further explained in the cost proposal. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill.

The motion was amended by the maker and supporter to include Mr. Jacobs' statement that if there is any change in the structural and mechanical systems of the building that cause an increase in the cost of the project A3C will not increase their fee.

Vote on the motion as amended. Ayes all.

Mr. Curmi asked Mrs. Massengill to retain the tape of this meeting for the record.

Mr. Herriman moved to approve Resolution 04 06 08 25, adopting the Capital Improvement Plans for the Charter Township of Plymouth. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. ROLL CALL. AYES Herriman Arnold Curmi Edwards Massengill Mann NAYS Munfakh Motion carried. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve Resolution 04 06 08 26 authorizing the sale of 2004 General Obligation Limited Tax Capital Improvement Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$6,000,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Ayes all on a roll call vote with Mr. Mann abstaining. Motion carried.

Mr. Edwards moved to award the bid for the 2004 Cleaning and Internal TV Inspection of Sanitary Sewers to Doetsch Industrial Services in the amount of \$158,338.00 and authorize the Clerk and Supervisor to execute the contract for same. Seconded by Mr. Curmi. Ayes all.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve the appointment of Abe Munfakh, as recommended by the Supervisor to the Zoning Board of Appeals as the Township Board's liaison and filling the vacancy created by Ron Griffith's resignation. Term ending December 31 2004. Seconded by Mr. Herriman. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to establish July 13 2004 for public hearing on the request from Loc Performance Products Inc., for an Industrial Facilities Exemption for new machinery and equipment to be installed within their facility located at 13505 Haggerty Road, Plymouth Township Wayne County Michigan. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Ayes all.

Mr. Mann thanked the public for attending the Lake Pointe Soccer Park ribbon cutting ceremony earlier in the evening and thanked Township Engineer Bailey for his work on the project.

Mrs. Massengill noted she received many comments from individuals pleased to see the area developed and to see the Township moving forward on recreation for the community.

Mr. Mann agreed to check with Human Relations Director Joanne Coobatus regarding Mr. Curmi's health care questions.

Ms. Arnold asked if the soccer field bathrooms would be locked at night. She also stated how pleased she was with the type of picnic tables chosen for the pavilion.

Mr. Mann replied that the bathrooms and gates to the park are locked upon closing. Signs will be posted stating the Soccer Park hours.

In answer to Mr. Munfakh's question Mr. Bailey said he anticipates the soccer fields will be ready for use this fall.

Mr. Hundley of Lakeland Court thanked the Board for their approval of the Special Assessment District for paving for the Plymouth Gardens and Finch Subdivisions.

Mrs. Massengill moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Mann adjourned the meeting at 9 23 p.m.

**Marilyn Massengill, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth**

**Steven Mann, Supervisor
Charter Township of Plymouth**

The foregoing is a synopsis of the minutes of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting held on June 8, 2004. The full text is available in the Clerk's Office for public perusal. The minutes will be submitted for Board approval at the next regular meeting held on June 22, 2004.

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Taking the music on the road

Choir tour allows church to spread its ministry

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Matthew Moore figures the music ministry at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth lost a little momentum when it didn't take its annual tour last year.

The choir will face no such problem this year. After a concert performance at the North Territorial church last Sunday, the church's 36-member Chancel Choir and 13-member handbell choir head to the Chicago area next week to perform at two churches.

Thanks to local connections the groups will perform at North Shore United Methodist Church in Glencoe Ill., a Chicago suburb, then will play in the Windy City itself at Christ Lutheran.

"We probably lost a little momentum last year because we didn't go," said Moore music director for five years at First United. "It gives us a project to work toward."

The church's last tour came in 2002 when members traveled to Charleston, W. Va., Charleston, S.C. and Savannah, Ga. Moore said such tours are important because of the exposure they bring, both to the churches being visited and to the choirs themselves.

"Most are smaller churches that don't have music programs this big," Moore said. "They aren't exposed to choirs this big and this accomplished. It's also community time for us we wouldn't normally get. The two churches weren't



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First United Methodist Church Choir members Muriel Gyde, Nancy Thomas, Cheryl Koenig, Jean Curtiss and Fran Loiselie sing during a practice meeting.

just plucked out of thin air, each has a local tie. At North Shore, the Glencoe church, Abby Kamman is a seminary intern.

She's the daughter of Dean Klump, the senior pastor at First United Methodist.

At Christ Lutheran in Chicago, Lance Loiselie is the music director. He's the son of Ron and Fran Loiselie, members of the First United congregation.

The church music community is fairly connected, Moore said. Directors have gone to college together, or they've worked together.

Moore said the music program is vital to the success of any church because it involves all age groups, and there is music every Sunday.

Music is, Moore said, one of the most basic ministries throughout the church. And the tour is important to

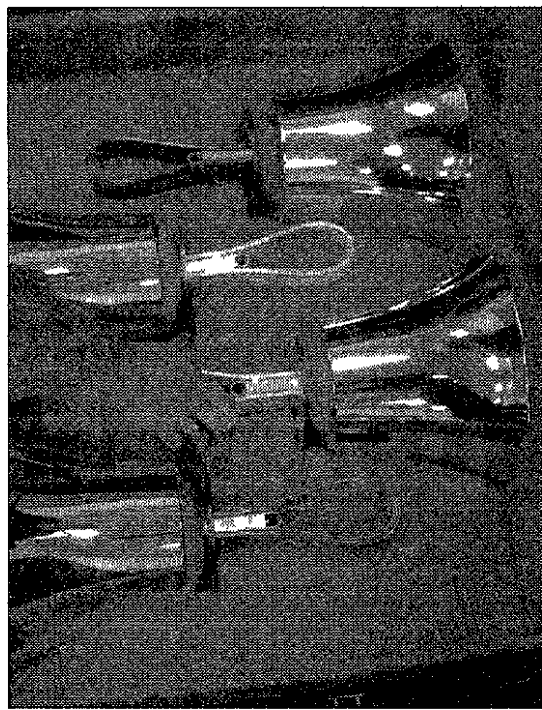
its members. How important?

While the church will pick up part of the tab and fund raisers will also pay a portion, the people touring are paying at least a portion of the cost out of their own pockets.

"People who've gone on the tour before want to go again," Moore said. "It's uplifting for them to go out and do for other people what they do here every week."



Music director Matthew Moore directs the First United Methodist Church Choir during a practice session in preparation for the choir's trip to Chicago.



First United Methodist Church handbell director Fran Loiselie displays a case of low octave bells. Loiselie says that the entire 65 bell collection takes up 33 feet of table.




Raymond Wells sings with the First United Methodist Church Choir, which returns to its tour schedule after a one-year absence.

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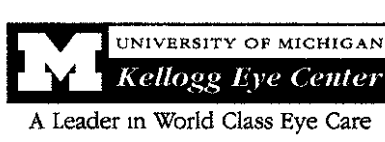
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OUR VIEWS

Voters deserve clean campaign

Not that we wish to trot out clichés so early in the political season, but here's one we think may turn out to be prophetic: Those who don't learn from history are doomed to repeat it.

Four years ago, former state Rep. Gerald Law, terminated from his position, challenged Ron Edwards in the Plymouth Township treasurer's race. Law brought to the table years of public service at the township and state level, along with a great deal of name recognition. At the time, Edwards was a one-term treasurer.

Late in the political season, Law unleashed a personal attack on Edwards and, in particular, his family. The move backfired and Law was beaten handily.

Candidates seeking the three full-time elected positions and the four part-time trustee spots in the 2004 election would be wise to heed the warning created by past campaigns. Keep it clean.

A strong political debate on issues is a wondrous thing, allowing candidates to display their passion for their community in a healthy environment. It's good for the community to have 18 people striving to lead the township into the future.

And issues abound. Has the current administration spent too much time focusing on recreation? Is there a need for a new township hall and, if so, does it have to cost \$12 million? Are the candidates qualified for the offices they seek?

How about projects for the future? Does the township really need a second water tower? Is the Downtown Development Authority a worthwhile idea? How does the township continue to draw industry to its tax rolls?

What about its relationship with the city? Is it time to look at intergovernmental agreements for fire and dispatch services? Should there be a plan for a recreation partnership?

These are all substantive issues worthy of strong political debate. It would be a shame to see such discussion get bogged down in personal attacks or questionable tactics.

There are 18 candidates, including a Democrat and an independent running for trustee. That means the campaign season is going to last all the way to November.

Already, signs indicate some of the campaigning is getting a bit murky. That doesn't have to happen, because there is plenty to talk about without slinging mud.

Candidates owe it to the voters to let them hit the voting booth without having to hit the showers first.

Fathers must learn their important role

Sunday is Father's Day.

It doesn't get the attention of Mother's Day. It's often seen as an afterthought. After all we have a day for Mom, shouldn't we have a day for what's his name?

Where the bond between mother and child begins in the womb and grows strong from the first caring moments, the relationship with Dad is slower to grow and often more prickly over time. We've designated Dad the disciplinarian, Dad the stalwart exemplar of masculinity, Dad the primary provider.

Times have changed and the roles of mothers and fathers are less clearly defined. As women continue to take a more prominent role in the workplace, we have stay-at-home fathers, who welcome the opportunity to be a regular presence in their child's life. Many young fathers are determined to do better than their fathers at raising their children.

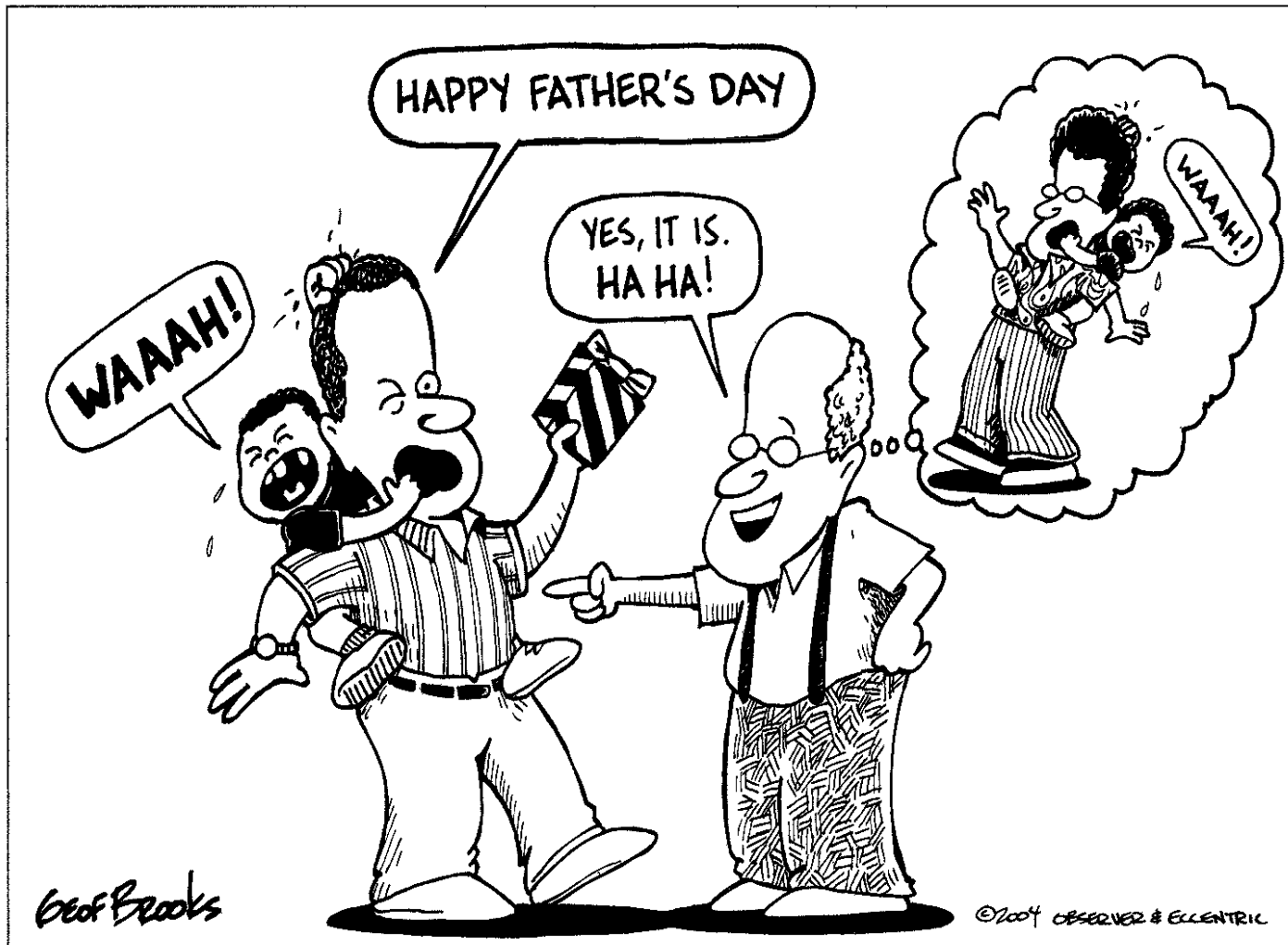
But we also have many single parent families, where the responsibility for raising the children usually falls on a young mother. Many young men walk away from their responsibility.

And other fathers leave their homes, divorce their wives and do not properly provide for their children emotionally or financially.

Attorney General Mike Cox has made it a special crusade to go after deadbeat parents (predominantly fathers) who are not making their child support payments. Many of these children are in financial peril because their fathers will not live up to their responsibility.

Fathers are important. Study after study shows that children do best in a two-parent household — a home where they are loved and nurtured by two people who love and respect each other.

No parent can hope for perfection. But it is important that every parent understand that no job they do is more important than being a parent.



LETTERS

New math?

It was with considerable interest I read the guest column by Martha Trafford and Carol Saunders ("Lethargic legislature, economic barriers endanger quality education," June 3). The point of the column's opening paragraph seemed to portend an intention to praise the accomplishments of more than 600 Plymouth-Canton students who earned MEAP merit award scholarships.

Such a column would hold particular interest for me since I was the presiding officer (Associate Speaker Pro Tempore) in the Michigan House of Representatives the night the legislature enacted the scholarship program, and I had voted to create the program. And I recall the fierce opposition House Democrats waged against said enactment.

Now, the (Democrat) authors of the column seemed to be basking in the students' achievement. How interesting a transformation, if indeed that was the intent. But, alas, it was not.

No, the headline really said it all. The column was intended to bash the "Republican-controlled" legislature (even though it is Governor Granholm who threatens to cut the per-pupil funding sum). The lethargic majority is still refusing to ignore the will of those who had elected them and who are still refusing to "tax" Proposal A, or otherwise raise taxes so that spending can continue unabated.

Unfortunately, the point of the column is lost due to the authors' arithmetic miscalculation.

Isn't it ironic that the students who earned their MEAP merit award scholarships are expected to be able to multiply \$30 X 17,285 pupils and arrive at \$518,550, and the former teachers who authored the column came up with \$12 million? Oh well, what's \$700,000 between friends?

Whoops! Ladies, you better stop using the new math.

Bruce Patterson
 state senator, Canton

Protecting women's rights

The need for abortion will never go away, prohibiting abortions does not stop them.

When women feel it is absolutely necessary, they will choose to have abortions, in secret and without medical care, creating dangerous circumstances. In the two decades before abortion was legal in the United States, it has been estimated that nearly a million women per year sought illegal abortions. Thousands died, furthermore, tens of thousands were mutilated and all women were forced to behave as if they were criminals (<http://www.workingforchange.com/article.cfm>).

This year, millions of women will become pregnant, one million of whom will be teenagers. Women forced to go through with an unplanned pregnancy have negative effects on themselves, their children and society as a whole. Seventy-eight percent of teenage pregnancies are unplanned and unwanted (www.plannedparenthood.org/library/teenpregnancy.html). The majority of teenage girls who get pregnant won't finish high school and may live in poverty.

Children of teenage parents have more health problems and birth defects as opposed to adult women (www.teenpregnancy.org). How does this affect society? Teen pregnancy alone is a significant financial burden, costing an estimated \$7 million a year.

There are other issues as well. Teenagers who become mothers receive less education and are more likely to go on welfare. Taxpayers pay for welfare.

In a society focused on self achievement, the government must provide women with the choice of abortion so they can focus on their life and can raise a child when the time is right. Americans need better access to contraception, health care and sex education. Redding a woman's right to an abortion will not prevent sexual activity, but it will result in more unwanted pregnancies, overflowing adoption shelters and more illegal abortions.

Emily Arble
 Katie Welch
 Kristina Zaumseil
 Salem High School students

Unfair article

I recently read the article you posted in the *Observer* ("Search for answers continues," June 3).

I am the stepsister of Joe (Bandy). I wholeheartedly understand the family's pain of losing their son and can't begin to imagine how I would cope with it. However, what I don't understand is how you have the nerve to write an article that displays my brother as a cold-hearted murderer.

Since I was 10 years old I have been fortunate enough to be in Joe's life. He has always been an amazing young man, with hopes and dreams. A boy that became a man, my own biological mother came to love and respect. A man any parent would be proud to have as a role model for their own child!

Time and time again I see this family slamming and harassing Joe to the point he was afraid to be in his own house and had to move. We have not pursued harassment charges as I'm sure we very well could. Would you feel compelled to write about that? Joe has lived with the heartache of this incident for years. For a man like Joe there is no punishment that could surpass that. He will live with this forever.

I noticed your article mentioned Eric was leaving a party that his sister Julie was having. Funny it did not mention she was supplying alcohol to minors at that party. Lucky for her none of those kids were involved in a fatal accident. Would then the tables be turned and we could portray HER as a vicious killer?

There is no doubt drinking and driving is unacceptable. But for the Dodsworth family to behave as this is a witch hunt is ridiculous. There was never a mention of Eric's alcohol OR drug content, let alone the other passengers in the car.

Does the family have video of Joe driving? Maybe. Do we have video of the Dodsworth family drinking? Maybe. Point is we are all human. Have you ever went to dinner with your wife and had a glass or two of wine and driven home? I'm sure you have.

I'm a firm believer that Michigan should have very strict laws and punish-

ment on drinking and driving. However, the lengths this family has gone to lower the legal limit would prohibit you, all of us for that matter, from ever doing anything of the sort.

Last I noticed we are not ruled by a dictator. We should be free to, responsibly, have a few drinks with friends, or perhaps that glass of wine with your wife on your anniversary. Just be careful next time you do. If the Dodsworth family has it their way we might as well all pack up and move away from our freedom!

While the Dodsworth family is no doubt dealing with a great loss, we are as well. Joe is the center of many lives, he is a brother, an uncle, a godfather, a fiancé, my step-brother, and a son. I would strongly urge you in a case such as this, to obtain ALL the facts before throwing them out there.

Melissa Heikkinen

A good Democrat?

While reading the article on the front page of the June 3 *Observer* ("Schools brace for more state cuts") I noted that John Stewart had voted no on a cigarette tax increase to bail out the public schools again. John voted no because there were already enough yes votes to pass the measure. I suppose this will allow Stewart to state during his re-election campaign that he didn't support a Granholm tax increase. One would think that this proponent of big government education would have stood tall on this vote for education. It kind of reminds me of John Kerry, the Democrat who voted for the \$87 billion for defense before he voted against it. The article then goes on to quote Stewart as stating that "We've been talking about the possibility of a one-mill enhancement, or putting some type of property tax base back into it, but, we really don't want to resort to having to change proposal A."

This brought to mind another Democrat, Jennifer Granholm, who stated in a debate during the gubernatorial election that, "I don't want to raise taxes." Then she got elected and proceeded to do just that along with raising fees on everything she could find.

Come to think of it, John Stewart reminds me of a good Democrat. Why doesn't he just come out of the closet and admit who he really is?

Mark F. Tooze

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"We've got five middle schools and three high schools trying to share three pools. We have an excellent Canton Cruiser swimming program, so it's not like our kids will be cut out of an opportunity."

— Plymouth-Canton school Superintendent James Ryan on the possibility of a middle-school swim program

Reflections on Father's Day and a bluegill

Dozen years ago, Tim Richard wrote a wonderful column for our newspapers celebrating the conscientious fatherhood practiced by the male bluegill. Now retired and living in God's country (Up North) Richard was one of the best reporters I ever knew and an acute and thoughtful observer of nature. Tim's column began

From the boat launch, I looked into the shallows and spotted him - less than seven inches long, hovering over a saucer-shaped depression



Phil Power

Earlier in the spring, the bull bluegill had scooped out the nest, herded in a female, then fertilized the eggs she laid. The bull bluegill, with his iridescent gill covers and yellow bowtie, will guard the eggs until they hatch. Let a minnow, beetle or another fish venture too near and the bull gill attacks, his sharp dorsal fin flashing. When a slovenly carp or idiot speedboater stirs up the bottom, the bull gill fans away the silt with his pectoral fins.

Other fish, like muskie and salmon, scatter their eggs and spawn, then depart. Not the bluegill, who has an excellent reproduction rate and is one of Michigan's most widespread and successful species. The bull bluegill, though cold-blooded and pea-brained, is a better father than many human males. The importance of Father's Day isn't told in syrupy verses of Hallmark cards. It's found in the sociological statistics. Bad things happen to kids born into a household with no father.

- The situation hasn't improved for the human species since Richard wrote those words. Scientists, teachers, sociologists and cops all know it. Children who grow up in a household without a father
- Have an infant mortality rate double that of their counterparts
- Are likely to be raised in poverty. Around half the female-headed families in Michigan are below the poverty line
- Disproportionately have difficulty in school, lack skills and don't do well in the workplace
- Are three times as likely to wind up in prison as a kid from a two-parent home, according to a Michigan Department of Corrections study
- Have trouble figuring out their social and sexual roles. Girls who grow up without fathers around have trouble dealing with boys and fatherless boys have trouble figuring out how to

be secure, capable men. Certainly, kids who grow up in a household headed by men experience many of the same problems. But there are far more single-parent households headed by women than by men, so the bad effects of fatherless families are far more widespread.

Either way, human biology and developmental dynamics offer conclusive evidence that two-parent households seem better wired for success in raising children than single-parent families. Of course, there are countless examples of single parents successfully raising their children, but it's much tougher alone than with a partner (I should know, I've been a single parent, and it's tough).

I saw confirming evidence over the weekend as my wife, Kathy, and I watched a family of Canada geese at our place. The adult birds are by far the most capable and conscientious parents we've seen in years, and watching them working to raise their goslings to maturity in the face of all the threats excites our admiration and pulls on our heartstrings all at once.

There they go, swimming across the pond. Mom is in the lead, looking right and left for the big snapping turtles that like nothing better than pulling a gosling down, while dad makes sure the five goslings keep up and stay properly in line until they reach the shore. Once up the bank, mom eats while dad keeps alert watch for foxes and coyotes, then, on silent signal, dad eats while mom keeps watch.

Daily they go about training their goslings in the skills of being a successful adult goose. How to stay in line and in touch with the flock. How to drink from the pond. First a delicate sip and then head up for the swallow. How to eat pond weeds from the bottom, white tails vertical in the air. Just now, they're beginning flying lessons, which at this point consist in wing-flapping exercises and practice runs in the grass, but after a couple of weeks they'll be up in the air, working on turns and landings on water.

So for even a goose, growing up involves an awful lot to learn, and having two parents around to help seems an essential element. Just imagine how much more important two-parent families are for humans.

With feathers or without, fathers (and mothers, too) matter - far, far more than the folks at Hallmark imagine. They fully deserve their day of admiration and respect, something they earn every day of the year.

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

Punishment should fit the crime, but in Dodsworth case, it hasn't yet

Deciding what to write in a job like this is pretty easy, dictated largely by events and the people in the community.

Deciding how to write the stories takes considerably more thought. We might have trouble convincing Melissa Heikkinen of that.

Heikkinen is the stepsister of Joe Bandy, the Westland man convicted in the death of Eric Dodsworth of Canton. Bandy was found to have been drinking the night his car slammed into the vehicle being driven by Dodsworth.

We wrote a story recently about the family's search for answers in that case, considering Bandy is out on bail awaiting an appeal of his conviction. We tied that situation to the coming graduation party season, hoping one family's first-hand account of loss would convince kids not to drink and drive.

Heikkinen thought the story was slanted and portrayed her brother as a cold-hearted murderer (her letter appears on the opinion page of this newspaper). Obviously, we disagree. That's OK, though, because that happens a lot. Hard as it is for a journalist to believe, sometimes people disagree with what we write.

The problem comes when those doing the disagreeing don't back up their arguments with solid reasoning. This happens a lot when my brother, Bryan, tries to explain a Republican position to me.

Heikkinen's arguments are almost all emotional. "My brother has to live with this the rest of his life." "He has always been an amazing young man, with hopes and dreams. A boy that became a man my own biological mother came to love and respect. A man any parent would be proud to have as a role model for their own child."

I'm sure all of that is true, except perhaps the "role model" part. Most parents would probably hesitate to point to Bandy, who works for the Wayne County Sheriff's Department and is a member of the police force at Metro Airport, and say, "Be like him." Any role-model credibility he'd built up swirled down the drain the minute he climbed behind the wheel of his car after drinking.

It must be hell for Bandy to have to close his eyes at night and see the accident, over and over. I'm sure it runs through his mind constantly, like the "B" roll footage on a

newscast. It must be agony to know you've caused the death of a 19-year-old kid, particularly when you know it's no one's fault but your own.

His sister points out Dodsworth had just left a party at his sister's place, and wonders why no one checked the level of alcohol or drugs in Dodsworth. By all accounts, Dodsworth was acting as a "designated driver" that night. So why, Heikkinen wonders, wasn't Dodsworth's sister rebuked for serving alcohol to minors?

If she was, it's a fair point, although teen drinking is hardly a phenomenon. The point I think Bandy's family might be missing is that no one in Dodsworth's family climbed into a car after drinking and caused the death of another human being.

Heikkinen makes the point that we're all human, and that is certainly true. It's entirely possible Bandy's situation falls in the "There but for the grace of God go I" category, meaning it could happen to anyone.

Heikkinen appears to think we should be left to our own responsibility in this area. She writes "We should be free to, responsibly, have a few drinks with friends, or perhaps that glass of wine with your wife on your anniversary."

Well, you are free to drink responsibly. There's no law against drinking. My parents owned and operated a bar when I was growing up and, for awhile, it was a hang-out for us and our friends. There are any number of times we could have found ourselves in Bandy's predicament.

And, had that happened, we would have found ourselves in the same place Bandy ought to find himself today. Facing the statutory music. That's the part the Dodsworth family can't fathom. Their loved one is dead, and the man who caused the death has suffered no real punishment, two years later.

Heikkinen writes, "Joe has lived with the heartache of this incident for years. For a man like Joe there is no punishment that could surpass that."

But there is. It's the punishment of not having your brother or son around forever because of a poor decision made by someone else.

It's the punishment - undeserved - with which the Dodsworths, and the families of all drunk driving victims, must live forever.

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In its almost 15 years, the Canton Community Foundation has awarded more than \$250,000 in scholarships for higher education.

We exist to enhance life in the greater Canton area, said Joan Noricks, foundation executive director.

The foundation serves as the funnel for a number of area organizations that give scholarships annually. That way, the foundation can handle 32 scholarships through one application.

We have also partnered with local universities for scholarships so we can award more scholarships, Noricks said.

Not all the scholarships that are awarded go to high school graduates heading to their first year in college. A number of the scholarships are given to adults who are returning to either start or complete their educations.

The following organizations, businesses or individuals awarded scholarships through the foundation for 2004-2005:

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■ Boyer's Meat Processing Inc Grant - \$500

■ Canton Community Foundation-Schoolcraft College Foundation Grant Two for \$500 each

■ Meredith L. Whalen Memorial Scholarship (Meredith was killed in the World Trade Center, Sept. 11,



Joan Noricks
Executive director

2001) - \$500

■ Canton Community Foundation/Youth Leadership Scholarship \$500

■ Canton Community Foundation/Eastern Michigan University Grant - Five for \$500 each

■ Yazaki North America Inc Grant - Two for \$2,000 each

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■ Jack Demmer Ford Scholarship - \$500

■ Canton Community Foundation Scholarship Two for \$500 each

■ Kwanan Club of Plymouth-Canton Breakfast Scholarship \$1,000

■ Elizabeth Durack



Recipients of scholarships made available through the Canton Community Foundation gather for a photograph at Yazaki Learning Center in May.

Memorial Scholarship (sister of Dan Durack, Vanton Township administrative services director who died from cancer) - \$500

■ Canton Business &

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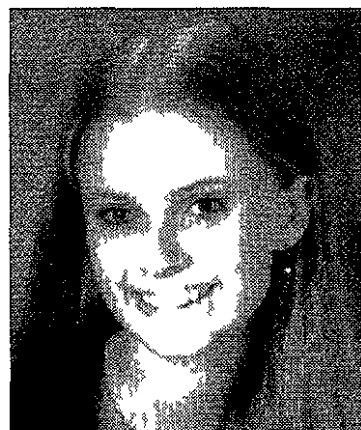
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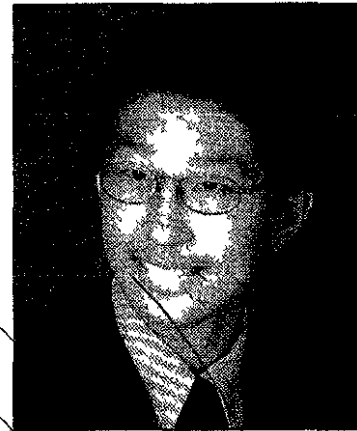
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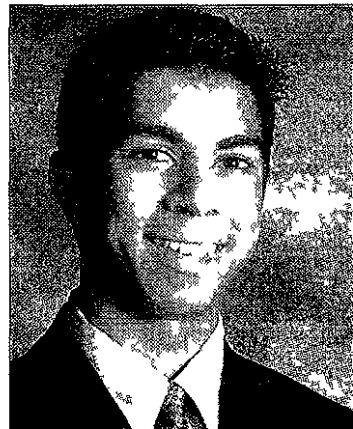
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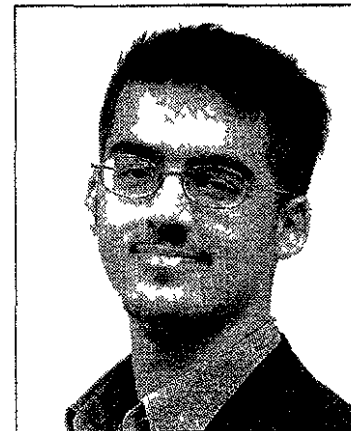
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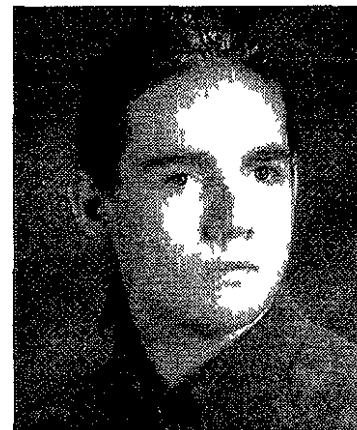
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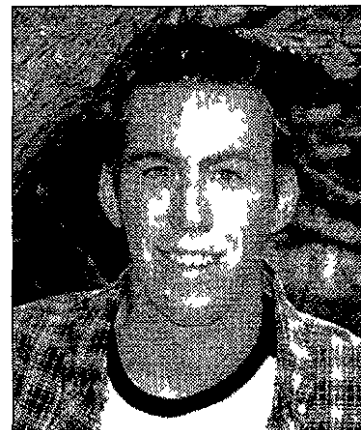
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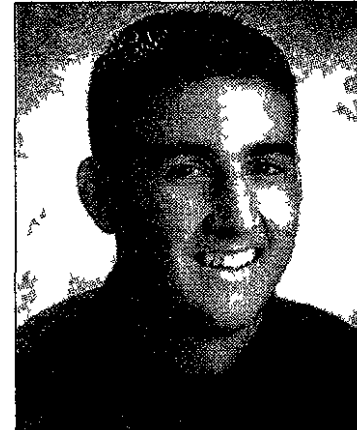
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Plymouth ousted by Chelsea, but just barely

Saturday's Plymouth High-Chelsea Division 2 Regional softball game at Chelsea High School had *Davey vs Goliath* written all over it.

The Wildcats (*Davey*) had a roster that was stocked with sophomores and freshmen, while the Bulldogs (*Goliath*) came into the contest with an impressive 33-1-1 record along with a No. 1 ranking in Division 2.

When it was over, *Goliath*, er, Chelsea won, 3-1, but not before the underdog Wildcats put up a heroic struggle.

Plymouth finished the season with a sterling 32-5 record. "After the game, I told the girls to hold their heads up high because they gave it everything they had," said Plymouth coach Val Canfield. "They did nothing but positive things against Chelsea, and the entire season for that matter. I'm very proud of them."

Plymouth pitcher Claire Ostrowski was phenomenal, limiting the Bulldogs to just three hits. The game was tied 1-1 until the top of the seventh when Chelsea pushed across the winning runs on a pair of errors and a double. Ostrowski struck out 10 and yielded just one earned run.

"Claire did a great job, just like she did the entire season," Canfield said.

The Wildcats scored their lone run in the second inning when Madison Dresser singled and scored on Ashley Garrett's single. Those were the only two hits Plymouth could manage.

Plymouth advanced to the Regional brackets by upending Milan, 7-0, and New Boston Huron, 1-0, in the District tournament held at Carleton Airport High School. Ostrowski hurled a no-hitter in the win over Milan. Lauren Stemberger delivered the key hit, a bases-loaded double.



Canton catcher Heather Richardson tags Portage Northern's Kaprice Williams in the sixth inning of Tuesday's Division 1 Quarterfinal game. After a brief conference, the umpires ruled that Williams' run counted because a Canton defensive player interfered with her between second and third base.

Chiefs derailed in quarterfinals, 4-2

Canton's softball team was five outs from advancing to the Division 1 semifinals Tuesday afternoon when an apparently incidental minor collision between a base-runner and shortstop evolved into a controversial, momentum-turning ruling. After outplaying perennial powerhouse Portage Northern through five innings, the Chiefs eventually dropped a thrilling 4-2, extra-inning decision to the Huskies (36-5-1). Canton finished 27-9-1.

With the Chiefs in front, 2-0, the con-

troversial play unfolded in the top of the sixth when, with the bases loaded and one out, Husky first baseman Ginet Gelabert ripped a solid single to center. The runner on third scored easily, but the runner on second, Kaprice Williams, was thrown out by 15 feet at home plate by Chief centerfielder Erika Perkovich.

However, as the Chiefs celebrated Perkovich's outstanding defensive gem, the umpires huddled ominously in the middle of the diamond. After a three-

minute conference, the men in blue ruled that Williams' run would count because she was interfered with between second and third by Canton shortstop Lauren Delapaz.

"My shortstop was running out for the relay after the ball was hit, and she accidentally ran into the base-runner," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "It wasn't her fault at all, she was just doing what she

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Lacrosse team falls in finals

The never-say-die Plymouth/Canton lacrosse team staged a dramatic comeback Saturday in the Division 4 state championship game against Mattawan, but fell short, 9-5, in the match played at Troy Athens High School.

The Warriors, who finished with a 16-5 mark, trailed 8-1 at halftime before making the game close in the second half.

Plymouth/Canton jumped ahead 1-0 on John Moylan's first of two goals. The Warriors threatened to double their lead 30 seconds later, but a shot hit the goal post and bounced harmlessly away.

Mattawan then took over the contest, tallying five consecutive goals to close out the first quarter, and three more in the second.

Plymouth/Canton showed signs of life early in the third quarter when it threw in two quick goals to cut its deficit to 8-3. Mattawan added its final goal later in the third before the Warriors poured in the final two.

The Warriors' offense was paced by Moylan, Tim Farrow (two goals) and Mitch French (one goal). Moylan also was credited with an assist to go along with his two goals.

Mattawan was led by Matt Compher (three goals), Pete Farnier (two goals) and Kyle Lemons (two goals). Nick Wichwander and John Klok had one goal each. Nick Schwander, Compher, Farnier and Caleb Ross all had assists for the Wildcats.

It was the second consecutive trip to the state final for the Warriors, who lost 19 players to graduation last year.

Plymouth/Canton advanced to the final game June 10 with a 11-4 win over Hartland.

Mattawan was the last team to defeat the Warriors earlier this season.

Shamrocks advance to semis, 10-3

These two teams split their four-game season series and were tied 4-4 before a rainout June 9.

But in their boys baseball Division I quarterfinal game Tuesday at Carleton Airport High School, Catholic Central High School's varsity boys baseball team broke the season-long deadlock with Warren De La Salle Collegiate High School wide open.

C C scored four runs at their first at bat -- thanks to patience at the plate to draw walks and timely hitting.

The team in royal blue and white rode the lead to a 10-3 win, a 25-9 overall record and a spot in the state semi-final Division I game at 5:30 p.m. Friday at Bailey Park in Battle Creek.

Warren De La Salle Collegiate High School starting pitcher Darrin Desrosiers ran into some tough luck against the C C Shamrocks, as he didn't survive the first inning.

After the first two C C batters worked him deep into the count to draw opening walks, senior Ryan Gallagher's base hit loaded the bases. Junior Eric Vojtkofsky followed with a shot up the middle which struck Desrosiers in the lower back, sending him from the game as the Shamrocks scored their opening run.

Warren's Justin Mazur came on in relief, but the four first-inning runs were enough to win, behind the solid starting pitching of Mike Monterey.

"We got down early," said Warren Pilots Coach Brian Kelly. "His team's record fell to 22-17. 'We're a scrappy team, but we haven't been able to score runs in bunches.'"

"Monterey threw a heck of a game,

PLEASE SEE SHAMROCKS, B6

Short-handed PCA upended in regional

The odds were stacked against Plymouth Christian Academy's baseball team Saturday prior to its Division 4 Regional match-up with powerful Southfield Christian at Allen Park Cabrini High School.

PCA was missing its two top offensive threats -- Aaron Ciborowski and Eric Immersall -- both of whom were back at the school taking their ACT's -- and starting catcher Drew Gallagher, who was home recovering from the flu.

"When the game started, I had just three players who were playing their normal positions," PCA coach Kurt Johnston admitted.

PCA played valiantly the first two innings, battling to a scoreless tie. However, the floodgates opened for Southfield in the third when it scored seven runs.

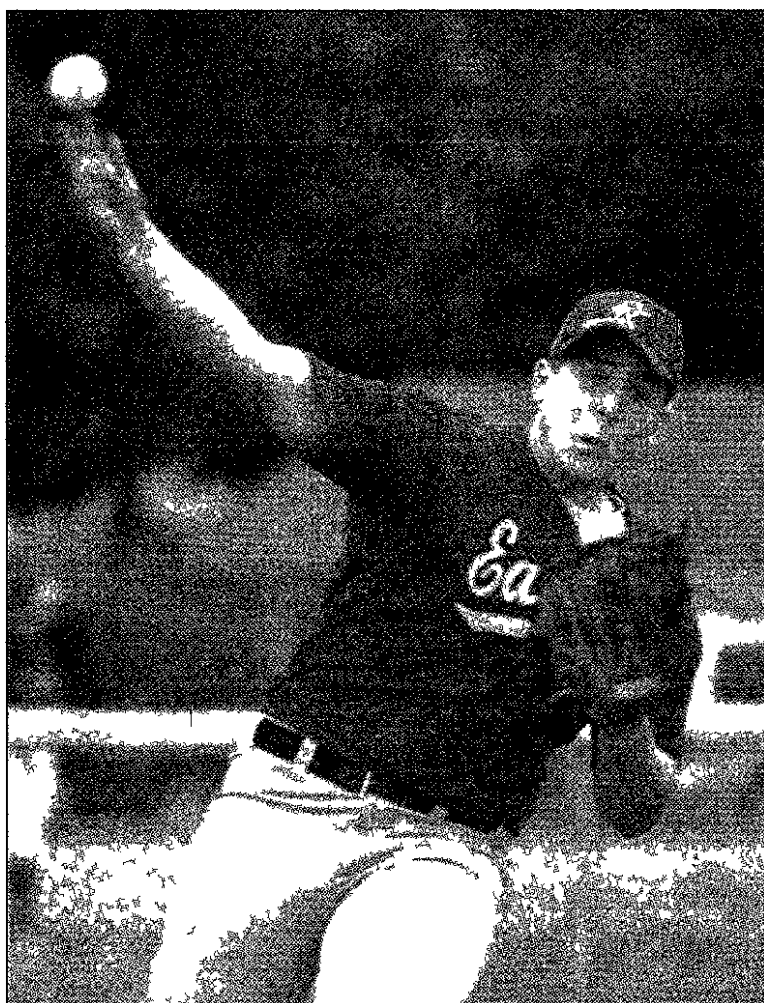
SC added nine more in the fourth and mercifully Plymouth, 16-0. The Eagles failed to get a hit in the four-inning game.

PCA finished with a 12-6 record, which pleased Johnston.

"I thought we had a very successful season, especially considering we had 10 juniors and only three seniors on our roster," he explained. "We had three juniors who carried most of the pitching load, so we should really be strong in that department next year."

Andrew Shumaker started on the mound for PCA. He held the Eagles in check for the first two innings before getting victimized by errors and his own wildness in SC's seven-run third.

Dave Bahbah and Matt Saagman combined to pitch the fourth and final inning for PCA.



Canton Plymouth Christian's pitcher Andrew Shumaker tries to pick-off a runner at first base in Saturday's Division 4 Regional game against Southfield Christian.

Sidelines

Canton Quest roll

The Canton Quest '94 premier soccer team recently completed its spring season by finishing first in the WSSL Division 1 travel league with a 7-0-1 record. The Quest outscored their opponents, 45-3.

The team also won the U-10 Platinum Division in the Memorial Day Tournament in Canton, finishing 4-0 to win the Canton Cup. The Quest outscored their foes 27-0 in the tournament.

The team consists of Nicole Inelch, Kristina Klusek, Abigail Livingston, Robyn Mack, Megan McCormack, Brianna Miller, Kaitlyn Murphy, Taryne Pagel, Mackenzie Rogers, Dominique Sarnecky, Jessica Scott, Emily Southern and Katelyn Watson. The team is coached by Jamie Scott and Steve McCormack and managed by Stacy Livingston.

Gymnasts shine

The Eurostars Level 7 gymnastics team excelled at the state meet held May 8-9 in Rochester, placing sixth out of 30 teams with a score of 112.3.

In the 12-year-old division, Canton's Kelsey Stamm earned the state championship on the vault with a score of 9.55. Stamm placed second on the floor exercise with a 9.475, and was second all-around with a 37.525 total. She was also seventh on the uneven bars with a 9.45 and ninth on the balance beam with a 9.05.

Shirley Bradelly of Canton placed eighth on bars (9.45), eighth on floor (9.25), 10th on the beam (9.05), 13th on the vault (9.15) and seventh in all-around (36.9).

In the 11-year-old division, the Eurostars' standout was Kaitlyn Betts from Canton. Betts was third in the state on the bars with a score of 9.6. She also finished fourth on the beam (9.3) and seventh in all-around with 36.9.

Allison Spitzley, 13, of Canton finished ninth on the beam (9.125) and 14th all-around (36.325).

Fourteen-year-old Linnea Nyberg of Canton was third in the state on the bars (9.45), fifth on the vault (9.3) and seventh all-around (36.7).

Locals excel at GR

Five players from Plymouth and Canton played on the most successful junior varsity baseball team in Ann Arbor. Gabriel Richard High School history The Fighting Irish JV unit went 10-1 and captured the Catholic High School League C-D Division JV title.

Members of the team included sophomore Justin Aoun of Plymouth, freshman Andrew Chmielewski of Canton, freshman Jeff Little of Plymouth, freshman Jacob Mortiere of Plymouth and freshman Chris Waite of Plymouth. Little was also one of two freshmen to earn a varsity letter for their contributions.

Junior Joe Falvey of Plymouth earned his second varsity letter as the starting shortstop for Gabriel Richard.

Blazers nip Brandon for school's 1st title

Time to make room for a new banner on the wall at Livonia Ladywood

The Blazers earned their regional softball championship in school history Saturday by beating host Orionville-Brandon, 1-0

The win put Ladywood (21-16) in Tuesday's Division II quarterfinal at Hartland against defending state champion Chelsea (34-1-1)

"We didn't know what expect coming out of the districts," Ladywood coach Bob Lulek said "We've never won a regional and it was pretty exciting for the kids

"I don't think we played better defensive game all year Brandon is an awesome team They're not going to give it to you You have to go out and beat them"

Ladywood pitcher Lauren Taylor allowed just three hits against the Blackhawks, who

bowed out with a 24-11 record The freshman struck out five and did not allow a walk in seven innings

"Taylor was not overpowering, but she threw strikes," Lulek said

Ladywood scored the game-winning run in the fourth inning when Jill Schulz executed a hit-and-run singled with courtesy runner Kasey Sheldon, who scored all the way from first base after Stephame Day had singled

"We've been doing it (hit-and-run) quite a bit this year and I thought we'd take a chance," Lulek said

The Blazers got three outstanding defensive plays from first baseman Julie St Onge

The big defensive play came in the sixth inning when Ladywood turned a double-play

Schulz, the second base-

man, fired to St Onge for the putout at first, who then, in turn, cut down the potential tying run at the plate with a strike to Day, the catcher

Losing pitcher Laura Perry gave up six hits, struck out three and did not allow a walk for Brandon

In the semifinals, Brandon eliminate Birmingham Seaholm, while Ladywood took five innings to mercy Detroit Crockett, 12-2

Karlynn Huddas gave up just two hits, one being a 2-run homer by Lisa Jones, while striking out five and allowing no walks

Amanda McClellan led the Blazers with three hits, including a solo homer and two RBI Ern Hulett added two hits and three RBI, while Jess Blaesser contributed a 3-run triple Schulz also had two hits and an RBI

CC survives field, Jags to advance Brooks makes key throw

To quote a lyric from an old John Lennon song, the Division I baseball regional staged by Allen Park could only be described as "strange days indeed"

On the eve of the state quarterfinal, Redford Catholic Central dodged raindrops, skirted a confusing two-day delay and averted an embarrassing com flip Monday night to beat the host Jaguars for the title in dramatic fashion, 1-0

CC (24-9) got a clutch throw from right fielder Derek Brooks in the top of the seventh inning for the game's final out

The win gave coach John Salter his sixth regional crown and a spot in the final eight Tuesday at Carleton Airport against Catholic League Central Division rival Warren De La Salle (see related story)

With two outs, Allen Park runner Anthony Savone tried to score the game-tying run from second base after teammate Reid Cuddy singled through the right side of the infield

That's when Brooks, the senior, came up big as CC catcher Eric Vojtkofsky took his throw on the fly and tagged out Savone by almost 10 feet

"It was an exciting finish," Salter said "Their coach had to send him (Savone) Brooks was playing more shallow than normal because of the (wet) field and he got on it quickly"

CC led 1-0 with one out and a Jaguar runner on second when play was halted for nearly two hours, 40 minutes because of a thunderstorm

Unusually soggy field conditions caused the tournament to be delayed from Saturday It was one of only three of 32 regional baseball tourneys throughout the state postponed until Monday because of inclement weather The postponement call was made early Friday afternoon by tournament manager and Allen Park athletic director Mike Dawson

Had the Allen Park regional not been completed by Monday, a com flip would have determined which remaining team would move on to the quarterfinal

CC scored its lone run in the opening inning off Allen Park starter Nick Prieur

Leadoff batter Drew Amble walked and advanced to second on Eric Simcox's sacrifice bunt Ryan Gallagher followed with a walk and Vojtkofsky singled home Amble with the game's lone run

CC threatened again in the second as Brooks laid down a sacrifice bunt sandwiched between walks to Greg Marrone and Joe Dudzinski

But that's when Allen Park coach Glenn Gulliver decided to make a pitching change, going to his bullpen He brought in reliever Jake Richards, who kept CC off the scoreboard and yielded just two hits over the final 4 2/3 innings

Meanwhile, CC was getting a sterling effort on the mound from junior left-hander Jeremy Henderson, who struck out five, walked four and allowed just four hits in 6 1/3 innings en route to the win

But when the rain-delay occurred and city of Allen Park Department of Recreation maintenance workers labored while applying Diamond Dry, Salter elected to go with his ace pitcher Mike Monterey following the break

"Jeremy threw 86 pitches and I asked how he felt and he seemed a little hesitant," the CC coach said "To have Jeremy go back out and warm up again would have been kind of tough It was really an easy decision Jeremy pitched a great game and he picked off three guys He's picked off about 20 kids this year And nobody has ever screamed balk because he has such a great move"

Monterey fanned Allen Park DH Ricky Summs for the second out, but Cuddy followed with the potential game-tying RBI single, only to be denied by Brooks timely and accurate throw to the plate

"It was a strange one, I've never had that long of a rain delay," Salter said of the three-day ordeal "They must have put down 50 bags of that dry stuff" It was playable, the field was not a factor"

Allen Park (27-9) defeated Wayne Memorial, 4-3 in eight innings in the morning semifinal CC then breezed past Detroit Redford in the other semifinal, 19-0, in three innings (15-run mercy rule)

REDFORD CC 19 REDFORD 0 The Shamrocks rolled in Monday's semifinal by scoring 18 runs in the second inning against Detroit Redford (6-9)

Drew Amble paced the CC hitting attack by going 2 for 2 with four RBI

Ryan Gallagher Mike Monterey and Greg Marrone also went 2 for 2 with two RBI each Anthony Sabo was 1 for 1 with two RBI

Winning pitcher Matt Rodeigher allowed three hits walked three and struck out seven

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Plymouth Christian Academy's Amanda Saagman steals second base in Saturday's Regional game as Southfield Christian's Ashley Ronketto's tag is too late

Conlon leads Chiefs to district crown

SOFTBALL

Canton's softball team rode the "Conlon Express" to a district championship Saturday at Temperance-Bedford High School.

Molly Conlon, the Chiefs' standout junior pitcher, threw her sixth no-hitter of the season in the tournament-opening 8-0 victory over Adrian. She followed that with a five-hitter in a 1-0 triumph over the host Kicking Mules.

"Molly pitched outstanding, just like she has all year," said Canton coach Jim Arnold. "And the rest of the team played well behind her, too."

Canton banged out 12 hits in the opener, scoring three runs in the first to set the tone for the rest of the game.

Brittney Scero laced a two-run double in the fourth. Two batters later, Heather

Richardson stroked a two-run single.

Rachel Wade finished with three hits, two runs scored and one RBI. Richardson, Scero and Molly Przybylski all had two hits.

Canton was out-hit, 5-3, by the Kicking Mules, but triumphed behind Conlon's outstanding pitching and some air-tight defense behind her.

The lone run scored in the third when Jackie Perino led off with a single, advanced to third on Scero's hit and scored on a ground-out by Wade.

The two victories improved the Chiefs' record to 27-8-1 heading into Tuesday's Quarterfinal match-up against Portage Northern.

Southfield Christian ends PCA's season

The potent bats of Southfield Christian combined with its own defensive lapses proved costly to Plymouth Christian Academy's softball team in Saturday's Division 4 Regional game at Allen Park Cabrin.

The Eagles committed seven errors and yielded 12 hits to SC, which advanced to the Regional final game with a 9-1 victory.

SC scored single runs in the first and second innings and two in the fourth to secure a 4-

1 lead heading into the fifth. It was in that frame that the Eagles exploded with five runs - thanks in large part to three PCA errors - to clinch the win.

PCA, which played the game without key starters Liza Terkowski and Rachel Wiard - finished with a 14-8 record.

Amanda Saagman took the loss on the mound, despite holding SC in check for most of the game.

"Amanda threw a good game," said PCA coach Dan Hammar. "We committed a lot

of errors behind her, which didn't help. But even without the errors, we probably wouldn't have won because we scored only one run."

PCA managed just four hits - one each from Saagman, Carissa Elenbaas, Justine Cane and Laura Kordick. Elenbaas delivered the only RBI.

Overall, I was very happy with our season. Our number one goal before the season started was to make it back to Regionals, and we managed that, Hammar said. Every

game that we lost this year we were in all the way except for one. The seniors really provided a lot of leadership for the younger players and made it a fun year."

Hammar singled out seniors Saagman, Sarah Shumaker, Lindsay Pew and Kelsi Archibald as key performers for the Eagles in 2004.

"Three of the four years these girls played for us, we won district championships, so that says a lot about their contributions," Hammar said.

Rams put together 3-game win streak

Bowling Green State's Nick Thurman stroked a 2-run double and pitcher Gary Zielke turned in six strong innings Monday as the Michigan Lake Area Rams evened their record at 4-4 with a 3-2 Livonia Collegiate Baseball League win over the Eagles at Ford Field.

Even Rodriguez contributed two hits and scored a run. Dan Dobberowsky also had an RBI. Zielke, who played high school baseball at Livonia Stevenson and now attends Wayne State, allowing just two singles and one walk before giving way in the seventh to reliever Kyle Fedorka (Madonna University), who retired the side to pick up the save.

The loss drops the Eagles to 2-4-1.

Rams sweep Storm

The Rams snapped a four-game losing streak Sunday in the LCBL by sweeping a double-header from the Michigan Storm at Ford Field, 3-1 and 3-3.

Ben Darga (University of Detroit Mercy) pitched a three-hit, complete game in the opener. He did not give up a walk.

Dan Dobberowsky (U-D Mercy) led the Rams offensively, going 2-for-2 with a walk and an RBI. Central Michigan's Brian Campbell, who prepped at Livonia Stevenson, added a hit and scored a run.

Catholic Central grad Kyle Crepeau (U-D Mercy), Bo Ford and Tom Wilkins had the only

hits for the Storm.

The Rams also got two hits and an RBI from Ryan Heath (Oakland University) to win the second game. Darga also knocked in a pair of runs, while Campbell and Evan Rodriguez (Albion College) each drove in a run.

Dobberowsky, the starter, pitched four innings to pick up the win. He allowed two runs on three hits and struck out eight. Stevenson's Gary Zielke (Wayne State) went two innings in relief and Paul Phillips (OU) closed out the victory as the Rams improved to 3-4 in the LCBL.

Dave Brumagin went 2-for-4 with an RBI for the Storm, who dropped to 1-4-1 in the league.

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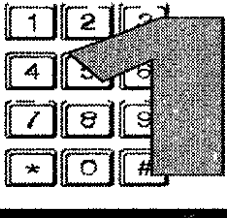
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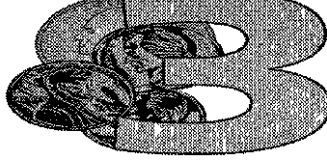
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PAL GOLF OUTING

The Milford Police Athletic League (PAL) is sponsoring its 15th Annual Golf Outing on Wednesday, June 23, at the Lyon Oaks Golf Course in Wixom. The cost is \$90 per person and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch and dinner. Proceeds will benefit PAL and also Substance Abuse and Violence Education (SAVE). A 9 a.m. shotgun start will begin the festivities.

For more information, contact Rick Sharpe at (248) 684-1322.

PLYMOUTH POM BOTTLE DRIVE

Plymouth High School's varsity and junior varsity pom squads are having their annual bottle drive on June 26. To make a donation, please contact a Saberette or Judy and Jessie Bono at (734) 455-4318 to make arrangements for pick-up or delivery.

PLYMOUTH VOLLEYBALL

The Plymouth Volleyball Camp for grades 6-10 will be from 1:30-4:30 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, July 26-28, at the high school.

For more information, call Kelly McCausland at (734) 454-0704 or e-mail bigu016@yahoo.com.

WILDCAT GOLF OUTING

The Plymouth Wildcat football golf outing is scheduled for July 31 at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Napier and Ford roads. Registration is from noon until the 1 p.m. shotgun start.

Cost is \$100 per golfer, \$50 for dinner only. There will also be games and drawings.

Money and entry information may be sent to PHS Football Golf Outing, 47450 Wallingford Ct., Canton, MI, 48818.

CAR WASH

The Plymouth HS varsity and junior varsity Saberettes are having a car-wash fundraiser at the Rite Aid on Ford Road and Canton Center from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday, June 19.

BASEBALL SCHOOL

The Doyle Baseball School will return to Plymouth Christian Academy for two sessions this summer, from July 5-9 and July 12-16. Baseball and softball players between six and 16 years old will be instructed in hitting, throwing and fielding from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. each day during the five-day school.

Doyle Baseball, now in its 23rd year, conducts satellite schools all over the country and in Canada. More than 500,000 players have received instruction at the school, including several pro players.

Tuition is \$95 per player for payments received before June 18, \$115 for those received after that date. To register call PCA's Sandy Murray at (734) 459-3505, ext. 117 until July 10. After that, call PCA baseball coach Don Shumaker at (734) 416-0513.

GOLF INFO

Tryouts for Madonna University's men's and women's golf teams will be at 11 a.m. June 19, at noon on July 26 and at 10 a.m. on Aug. 6 at Whispering Willows, located at Eight Mile and Newburgh in Livonia.

Scholarships are still available for both teams. For further information, call coach Bill Durham at (734) 564-5267 or contact via email at bill-durham@pga.com.

Crystal Mountain Golf School is now offering lessons for all phases of golf talent at Fox Hills Golf Course in Plymouth. For more information, log on at www.foxhills.com or call (734) 453-7272.

SOCCER SIGN-UP

The city of Plymouth

Recreation Department will be taking fall youth soccer registration from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout the month of June at the Recreation office, located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth. All first-time registrations require a birth certificate. The fee for those competing in under-six through under-eight divisions is \$60 for city of Plymouth residents and \$85 for non-residents. For under-nine and older divisions, the cost is \$65 for city of Plymouth residents and \$95 for non-residents. For further information, call the Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, or check its website at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us.

HOOP CAMPS

The dates are set for the Canton/Salem Girls Summer Basketball Camps, conducted by Salem coach Fred Thomann and Canton coach Bob Biohm. For girls entering fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grades

this fall, the camp 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.

COACHES WANTED

Plymouth HS currently has openings for the following coaching positions: boys freshmen soccer coach and girls freshmen basketball coach. Anyone interested in those positions should contact Plymouth athletic director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700 or stop at the Plymouth athletic department, located at 8400 N. Beck Road in Canton to pick up an application.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Top 50 Junior Golf Tour, presented by the Michigan Section PGA, is seeking volunteers to help with its upcoming junior golf season. The tour is

a southeast Michigan golf tour designed to give boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 18 the opportunity to earn scholarship money to further their educations after high school while promoting the growth of the game.

"We have experienced tremendous growth in the tour throughout the sign-up period so far this spring," said tour director Dan Thomas. "Due to that growth, we could certainly use the assistance of anyone that could help us out."

Anyone that likes golf and likes working with young people is more than welcome. We could use additional folks to help us by working as starters, for tournament registration and sign-in, scoring and transportation.

Interested volunteers should contact Thomas at (248) 321-9900.

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.

GOLF OUTING

The annual Salem Rocks Football Golf Outing will start at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 19 at Hickory Creek Golf Course. The scrambles format event includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch at the turn, dinner and prizes.

The cost is \$85 per person. Optional games are \$10 per person. Dinner for non-golfers is \$20 per person. Register as an individual or team by June 12.

For more information, call John Crabill at 734-459-9805.

PLAYERS NEEDED

Wanted: Three or four talented, committed U-17 baseball players (especially pitchers) for a summer travel team. Last year, this team made it to the NABF regional finals in Ohio and has a solid core of players from four counties and seven schools. All players have been starters on their varsity high school teams. Games are set for the Western Wayne and Oakland

County areas. The season begins June 7 — weekend tournaments too.

Please call coach Tom Chatalas as soon as possible if interested in learning more on his cell phone at (810) 814-0579.

WALKING CLUB

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will offer a new Walking Club beginning March 29. Everyday, on a drop-in basis, people will meet at the Plymouth Cultural Center (located at 525 Farmer) and walk a variety of routes mapped out by the Recreation Department, or they can blaze their own trail. There are no fees or registrations involved. The morning start time is 9:30 a.m., the evening start time is 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the city of Plymouth Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302.

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CHIEFS

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was taught. But the umpire ruled runner interference, which means the runner gets at least one base. They gave her an additional base as well because they thought she would have scored without the collision."

The ruling became even more significant because Canton pitcher Molly Conlon retired the next two batters easily on a pop up to Delapaz and a strike out. If Williams would have been sent back to third base - as many of the Canton faithful thought she should have been - the Chiefs would have escaped the inning with a 2-1 lead. Instead, it was 2-2 and the Huskies had seized the momentum.

Canton failed to score in its half of the sixth and both teams went down in order in the seventh, setting up a dramatic eighth inning.

Northern catcher Shannon Smith led off the eighth with a hard-hit double up the left-centerfield alley. Three of the next four Husky batters reached on Chief errors, which resulted in two runs and a 4-2 Canton deficit.

Northern pitcher Mary Elise Gierke induced the Chiefs to hit into three groundouts in the bottom of the eighth to seal the win.

"I told the girls after the game to keep their heads up because they have

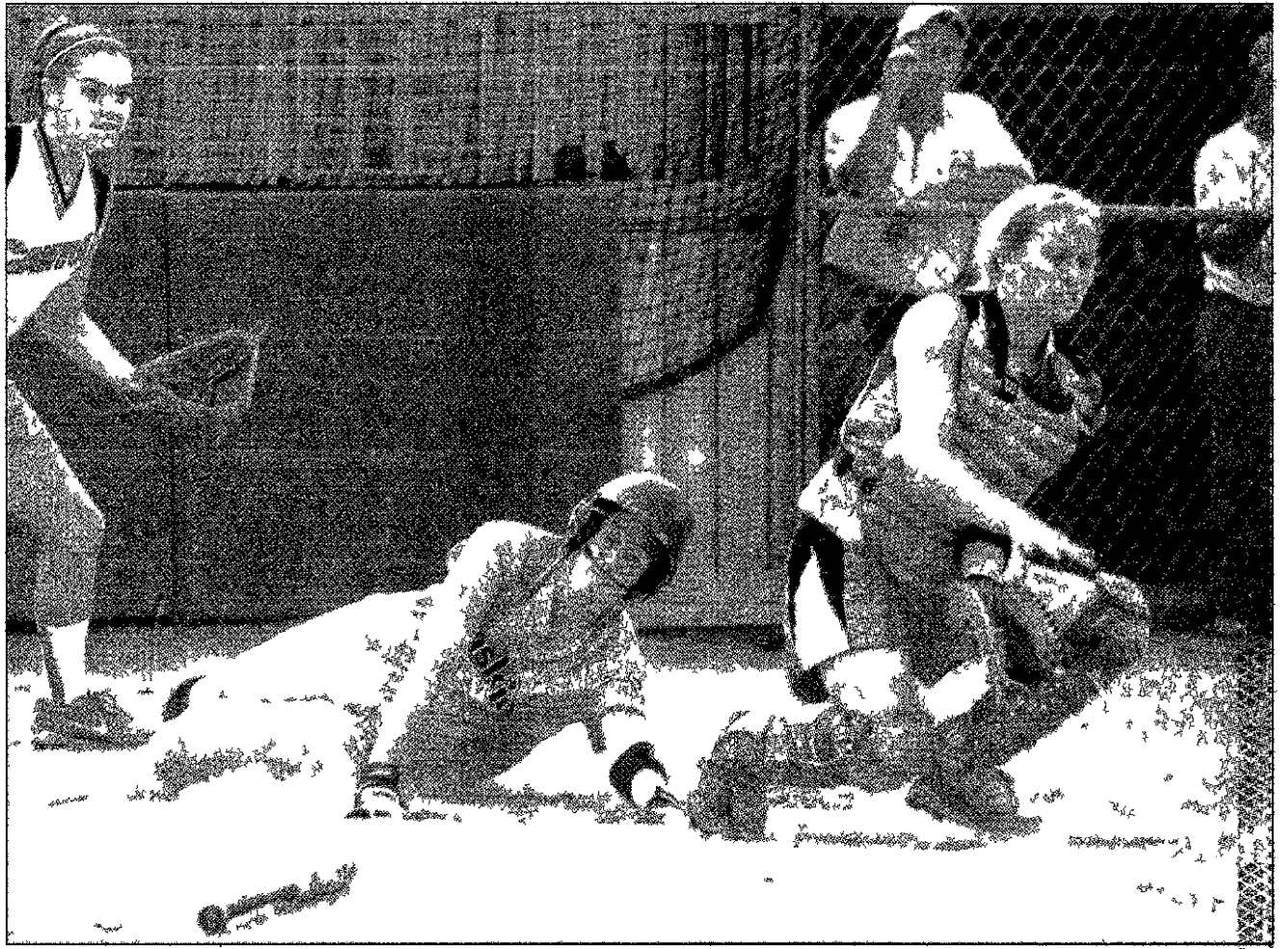
a lot to be proud of," Arnold said. "We were one of the top eight teams in Division 1 this year and that says a lot. The girls never gave up all year and they have nothing to be ashamed of."

Canton's bats were hotter than the 80-degree game time temperatures in the first inning. Lead off batter Brittney Scero laced a double advanced to third on a wild pitch and scored on Rachel Wade's single. After Heather Richardson sacrificed Wade to second, Delapaz singled Wade to third, and Kathy Baker followed with an RBI single to center, giving Canton a 2-0 lead.

After Baker singled, Northern coach Tom Hamilton visited the mound and delivered a spirited pep talk to Gierke. She apparently got the message as allowed just two more base runners the rest of the way - a walk to Anne Rosales in the second and a Richardson single in the sixth. Gierke finished with five strikeouts.

Conlon was equally effective for the Chiefs, giving up just two hits over the first five innings while striking out six. She finished with eight strikeouts.

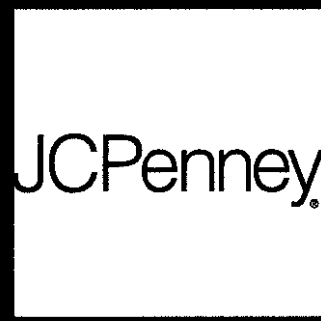
"I was very proud of my entire team this year, but especially my seniors," Arnold concluded. "They set the tone early in the year and carried on the tradition for the younger girls to continue. They did everything I could have asked of them."



Canton catcher Heather Richardson comes up with the ball too late as Portage Northern's Shannon Smith scores the game-winning run in the eighth inning.

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SHAMROCKS

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he kept us off balance."

Shamrocks Coach John Salter also praised his starting pitcher, and his team for improving their defense in recent weeks.

"Our guys are really focused this tournament. Mike Monterey had a heck of a game for us. He's got a fastball, curveball, he's got good control and doesn't get into trouble with walks."

Monterey allowed just one walk and had two strikeouts. He also just allowed three hits until the sixth inning.

With two out in the sixth, Warren struck back with two singles and a bloop double, to score their final two runs. Salter brought in centerfielder Greg Marrone in relief.

Offensive stars for Catholic Central included senior Drew Amble with a single and a double. Vojtkofsky with two singles and two RBIs, senior Joe Dudzinski with two doubles and an RBI, and Monterey with three hits, a walk and two RBIs.

"I thought Matt Lewis (two hits) had a good game," said Warren's Kelly. He also praised Josh Kirsten, who had two hits.

Warren answered C C's opening rally with Lewis' lead-off double in the bottom of the first. He advanced to third on an infield ground out, and came home on another ground out.

But C C kept coming, scoring two runs in the top of the third and four more in the fifth. In that inning, the plate umpire asked Salter to remove senior Nathan Rzeppa from the game, after he used his hands to push off Warren, catcher Jose Bosch, who was blocking the plate as Rzeppa tried to score from third. Rzeppa was not suspended from the game.

Coming in to pitch in relief with two outs and the bases loaded in the bottom of the sixth inning, C C's Marrone got the first batter to pop up to shallow right center.

Marrone allowed a hit and struck a batter in the bottom of the seventh, but a ground out force play ended the game.

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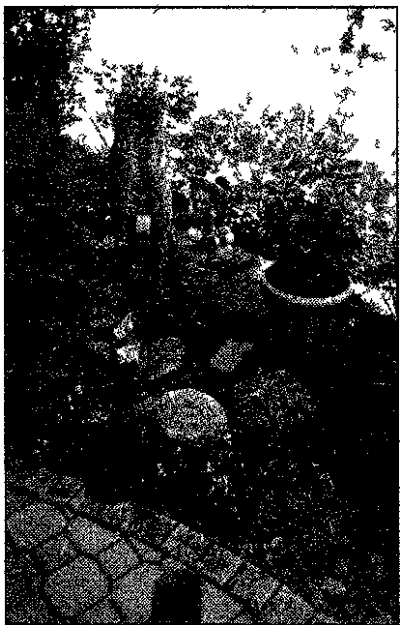
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The back yard of Donna and Jimmie Comer's home is highlighted by granddaughter Jasmine's garden

Farmington shows off its gardening talents

Donna Comer said she has gardened since she was a child. Today she watches all the gardening shows and says she loves to go to garden walks.

On Saturday, it's her turn to shine when the Farmington Garden Club's annual Garden Walk features her and husband Jimmie's yard along with five others.

"When the president of the North Farmington club came over and said she'd nominate me, I didn't think that they'd pick mine (for the walk)," Comer said. "But then they called me and I was just elated."

And she loves garden walks, anyway. "I love going on garden walks," Comer said. "I'm in seventh heaven."

The walk allows visitors a glimpse into the yards of a few green thumbs. But what does it take in the garden to get on a garden tour?

"The gardens should be better than ordinary," said Nan Reid, organizer of the Farmington Garden Walk 2004. "Some of them are exceptional. We like to have a mix of gardens, shade or sun."

The Farmington Garden Walk organizers like to have a good variety, Reid said.

"One garden is like 'I Spy,'" Reid said. Stone steps appear with a waterfall next to it, while a sculpture appears to be peering out. "It's whimsical and very beautiful, truly beautiful," Reid said.

Donna and Jimmie Comer's yard is described as artistic, with an abundance of harmonious color, texture and sounds and a wetlands as a backdrop.

The yard is a small-space garden, Comer said.

"We have lots of perennials, several rose bushes and clematis vines," Comer said. The yard also features a two-tier water garden, a side yard is highlighted with a garden of shade plants of hostas, hydrangeas and ferns.

Garden accent pieces include frogs in the pond, an iron angel, concrete urns and rabbits. "I have a collage of different things," Comer said.

Peggy and Roger Maggid's garden is also featured. "It's a cottage garden with a lot of color, flowers and garden," Peggy Maggid said.

The back yard contained nothing about 10 years ago when they moved into the home, and they started with two transplanted

PLEASE SEE GARDENS, C3



Gladys Gallagher tends to the pond in her backyard. Her property is one of the seven featured on the Greenmead Garden Walk on Saturday, June 26

Greenmead yards

Greenmead homeowners open gates for tour

BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

A yard is to a gardener what an empty canvas is to a painter. Just ask a few of the gardeners whose properties are featured in Livonia's 15th annual Garden Walk on Saturday, June 26. (See related chart.)

With a lot of hard work and creativity, Gladys Gallagher and Andrew Grifka transformed their separate yards into something from almost nothing.

"When my husband built our house 27 years ago, our property was a raw lot with a few tiny trees," Gallagher said.

And after 15 years of labor, Grifka turned his "overgrown" property into what he calls his "piece of paradise."

"I love seeing the results of my work," Grifka said. "I enjoy watching the stuff I put together, come together."

Gallagher now has a patio and a deck and the tiny trees are now big elm and maple trees. And the pine trees she planted from

gallon buckets 25 years ago are now 40 to 50 feet high. Included on her property are blue spruce trees, Japanese maples that she said are "spectacular," clematis, vines and a pond she put in this year.

One attraction is her trumpet vine — a vine with orange flowers shaped like trumpets that attracts butterflies and hummingbirds — that acts as a roof for her patio.

"I have been trimming it for years to make it look like a roof," Gallagher said.

Another is the weeping crab apple tree in her front yard that she trimmed to look like an umbrella.

"My husband tells me I must love dirt because I am the happiest when my hands and face are dirty," Gallagher said. "I go out and dig and just forget about everything else."

Grifka said his yard has been a work in process.

In his front yard is a fountain, on the side of the house is little pond and hosta garden, and in the back yard is a three-tier patio, two large ponds, another fountain and Japanese koi fish, shade gardens, a raised rose garden and a large perennial garden.

Also in the back is a large Japanese maple tree about 60 feet tall, paths leading to different areas of the yard and

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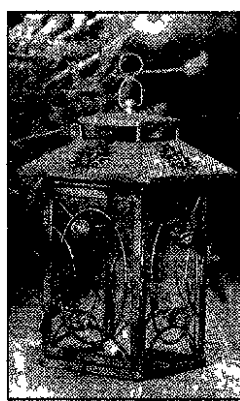


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Rose shows

Everything will be coming up roses at the Detroit Rose Society Spring Rose Show scheduled for Saturday-Sunday, June 19-20, at Universal Mall, 12 Mile and Dequindre in Warren.

The Metropolitan Rose Society Rose Show also has a show Saturday-Sunday, June 19-20, at Macomb Mall, 32233 Gratiot in Roseville. Rosarians will be available to answer questions about roses.

Seminars are free

English Gardens hosts free gardening seminars 7 p.m. Wednesdays.

In Shade Gardening (June 23), learn how to create a beautiful, colorful garden that will bloom year after year in the shade. Some of the most popular perennials for shade, as well as tried-and-true favorites, will be discussed. You'll learn how to select plant materials, and combine colors and textures to design a beautiful garden.

In Guide to Daylilies (June 30), learn about one of the favorite perennials, including popular varieties, dividing tips and care information.

The stores are at 6370 Orchard Lake Road, north of Maple, in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506); 4901 Coolidge Highway in Royal Oak-Troy (phone (248) 280-9500); 22650 Ford at Outer Drive in Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278-4433), 44850 Garfield at Hall in Clinton Township (phone (586) 286-6100); and 22501 Kelly at Nine Mile in Eastpointe (phone (586) 771-4200). For more information, visit www.englishgardens.com.

Tour

This new tour explores the gardens of Meadow Brook Hall and architectural structures surrounding the Hall. Tours are available at 12:45 p.m. Monday through Sunday. Admission is \$8 (free for ages 2 and under). Call (248) 370-3140.

More about roses

Roger and Nancy Lindley, owners of Great Lakes Roses, are celebrating summer with a series of fast-paced programs that will enable Michigan gardeners to succeed with roses in their gardens. The schedule includes Roses for Michigan, 1 p.m. Sunday, June 20 (Father's Day); and Japanese Beetle Control for Roses, 1 p.m. Sunday, June 27, or 11 a.m. Monday, June 28. These programs are free and reservations aren't required. The June 20 program is a slide lecture and book signing with Nancy Lindley, author of the only rose book focused entirely on success with roses in Michigan.

Each presentation will last about 1-1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road, between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township, just south of Belleville. For more information, visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com, or call (734) 461-1230 to request a flier.

Redford garden bursts with color

A small back yard in Redford is home to the lovely garden of Ginny Hoffman and Tony Morris. The lot is long, deep and narrow and they have used the space to create a garden filled with many colorful plants. Their choice of color is outstanding.



Garden Spot
Marty Figley

The beds line all the sides of the garden and gracefully undulate as one section leads to another. As I walked around this peaceful setting, I was astounded at the variety. Annuals, perennials, shrubs and trees all add their beauty. A wooden fence provides privacy on three sides, the garage the other. Flowering clematis

and a pink rose grow on the fence. A pink rose of Sharon growing in a corner, adds height.

White and pink phlox, pink astilbe, coneflower, bright yellow black-eyed Susans (surrounded by ferns), orange and yellow zinnias and deep blue ageratium are just a few of the plants, along with gray-green

pulmonaria that blooms in pink and blue in the summer, light pink geraniums and blue impatiens. A lot of heliotrope adds a thread of purple throughout the beds. Grasses add their magic touch as do New Guinea impatiens and coleus with their deep rich colors.

Flower colors are repeated throughout the gardens that give it a settled look, not at all cluttered. One plant gets a lot of attention. "Many people want to know what it is," Ginny said. Its bright yellow rays with deep orange/mahogany centers are striking. It's Sneezeweed, *Helenium autumnale*, a relative of the sunflower.

In a shady corner near the patio an 'old snow ball bush' is arrayed with Christmas lights and a dogwood tree grows nearby. Sweet woodruff, ferns and hostas all grow well together in this area. The patio, which Tony installed, is made of sandstone.

When I visited in early September, most of the flowers mentioned were still blooming. As the weather becomes cooler, the sedum will continue to go from pink to a deeper shade, pink chrysanthemums and purple asters will bloom.

There are pleasant surprises such as little figures and a tiny pond nestled in a bed where a tiny gold fish swims.

Many containers are filled with flowers and are placed strategically in and around the garden. Some lead to the back

door, others are tucked in with those in the beds. Long boxes on the front porch are full of pretty flowers as are other containers. The walk from the driveway that leads to the porch is made of flagstone, also Tony's handiwork.

The couple has plans to build a water garden beside the garage next year that will add a pleasant sound to this restful garden.

Ginny says, "This garden is a work in progress, we plan and work in it equally."

HARDY PERENNIALS

Make your reservation today to attend a seminar on hardy perennials 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, June 19, at Gerych's Nursery, 713 Silver Lake Rd., Fenton. Tickets are \$25, check or money order accepted. A light lunch is included. The program will feature Michael Saint, owner of Good Earth Landscape & Interior Design of Clarkston, who will discuss the newest trends in landscape architecture. These trends favor time and resource conservation.

Saint will discuss how to mimic nature in your own backyard, with examples of tried and true perennials he has personally found to be true winners in the Michigan landscape. For information, call (248) 620-7188.

LEARN ABOUT BONSAI



MARTY FIGLEY

The garden of Ginny Hoffman and Tony Morris is a work of art.

Are you interested in bonsai? If so, plan to attend the annual meeting of the Four Seasons Bonsai Club of Michigan Saturday and Sunday, June 19 and 20 at the Washington Square Building at Washington and Fourth in Royal Oak. Hours are 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. June 19, and 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. June 20. Admission is \$3, free for under age 12.

The art of bonsai is an ancient craft that began in the Orient, most probably in China. Thousands of years ago in ancient China, people went into the woods and countryside and found small trees that they took back to their homes and nurtured, maintaining the dwarf size by careful pruning of the roots and limbs.

Ongoing demonstrations will be conducted, bonsai plants, pots, tools and supplies will be for sale. Questions? Call (248) 585-9916.

Father's Day is just around the corner, so here's a couple of suggestions that may be per-

fect for the man of the hour.

First, a different kind of scarecrow can stand as a guard in your garden to humanely 'chase' away unwanted critters (deer, cats, dogs, raccoons, herons, rabbits, etc.). This passive infra-red sensor is activated when an animal is 'seen'. A three-second blast of water from the garden hose is startling and immediate. Contech Electronics, Inc., the manufacturer, also has a motion detector called Cat Stop to chase cats out of the garden by emitting a high pitched, ultrasonic alarm. You can find the products at The Aquarium Shop, 504 N. Main St. in Royal Oak, (Phone (248) 544-3474), and Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 N. Merriman, Westland ((734) 421-5959).

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

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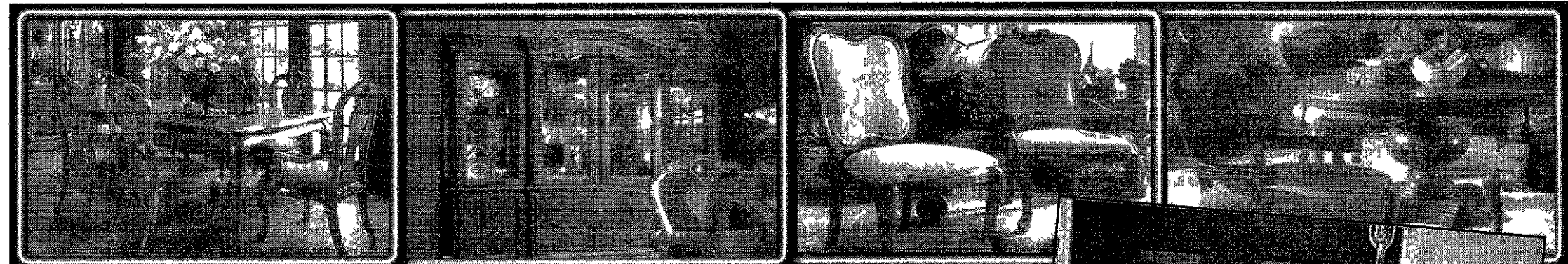
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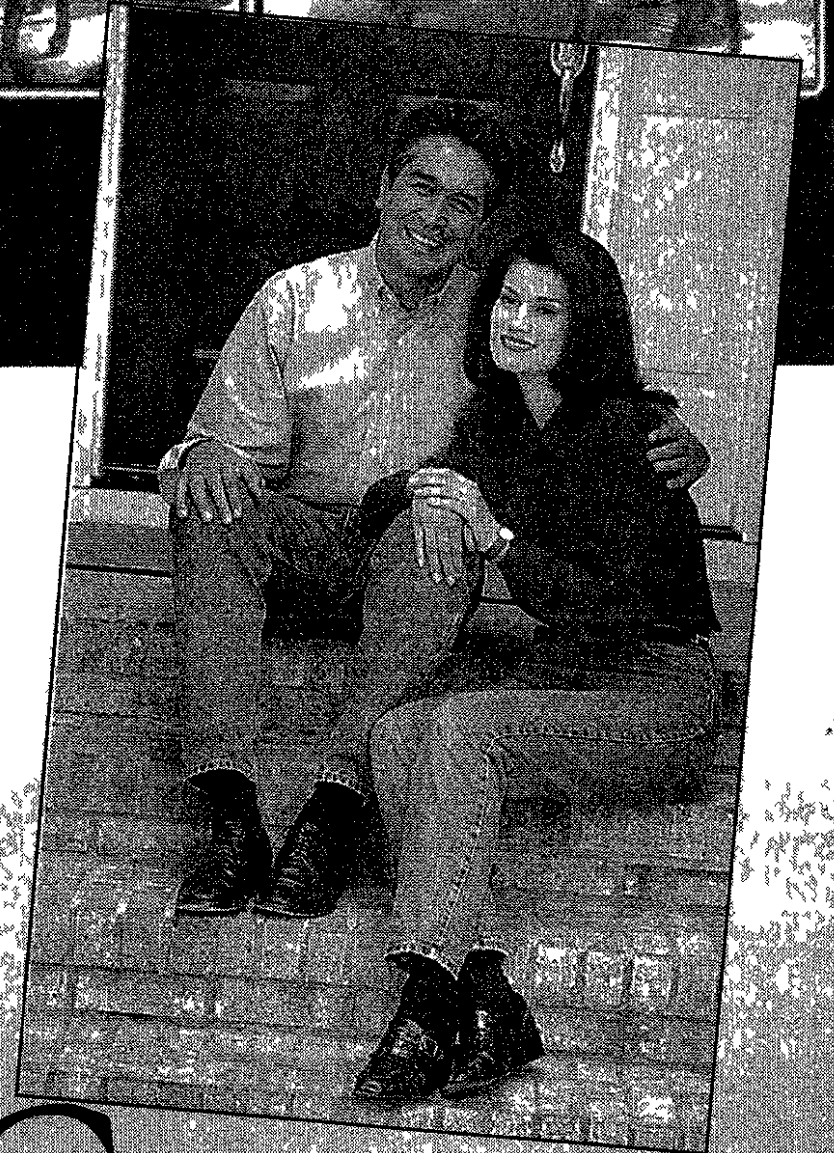
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An herb garden adds a little flavor to the Harrison family's historic haven

GARDENS

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bushes. She doesn't know all the names of perennials and shrubs she planted.

"I'll buy a plant because I like how it looks," she said.

Trips to England helped inspire the homeowners.

"I like the cottage look, I like color and I like shapes," Maggid said.

"When you look at it, we wanted to feel good. We wanted a happy yard."

Five other gardens are featured.

The yard at the home of Karla and Tim Miller contains a circular elevated patio and waterfall which anchor the backyard.

The 60-year-old yard is completely screened from the street.

The creativity of the garden at the home of Peggy, Roger and Ryan Maggid is reflected in the English Cottage Style garden with ideas gathered from past trips to England.

Joan and Mike Harrison enjoy an herb garden, Grandma's Garden of Roses, hardy shrubs and perennials and container plants along with a pool.

Richard and Tina Jensen's yard is highlighted with three seasons of color, scores of bulbs, perennials and annuals to attract butterflies and birds.

Dennis and Sue Antishin planted colorful annuals through a woodland setting, that opens to a sunny corner of perennials at the rear of the yard.

Funds raised by the Farmington Garden Club have helped support civic beautification, Habitat for Humanity, Farmington Goodfellows, Farmington Community Library Junior Gardeners program and Farmington Public Schools Schoolyard Habitat program.

"It's extremely generous of the residents," Reid said.

They are all so proud of their gardens, and they are honored for all their hard work.

TOWN AND COUNTRY TOUR

What: A Town and Country tour the Farmington Garden Club's Garden Walk features six gardens and includes entry form to win planting from Steinkopf Nursery.

When: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. rain or shine Saturday June 19.

Tickets: \$7 in advance from Steinkopf Nursery Farmington Road north of Eight Mile. On the day of the tour tickets will be sold at Heritage Park Visitors Center (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile Road). Refreshments will be served. Through arrangements with its sponsor Steinkopf Nursery the Farmington Garden Club Garden Shop offers special plants and unique garden decor.

GREENMEAD

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seating areas. And all throughout his property are a variety of statues.

His 15- by 15 foot raised rose garden is stocked with a variety of hearty roses in all different colors, and his perennial garden is designed so that different flowers bloom at different times throughout the spring, summer and fall.

Grika said his property in old Livonia, on which his 1935 castle house sits, is a natural setting that is very peaceful and very pretty.

There's a lot more beautiful places in the world, but in the summer there's no place I'd rather be than in my yard," he said.

Janet Bennett, president of the Friends for the Development of Greenmead, the group presenting the walk, said she can't pick just one highlight.

"That would be like a mother picking which child she likes best," Bennett said.

The walk has a good variation this year, she said.

And the walk is not only for those who love gardening, but also for those who just want to see the fascinating things people do with their yards, she added.

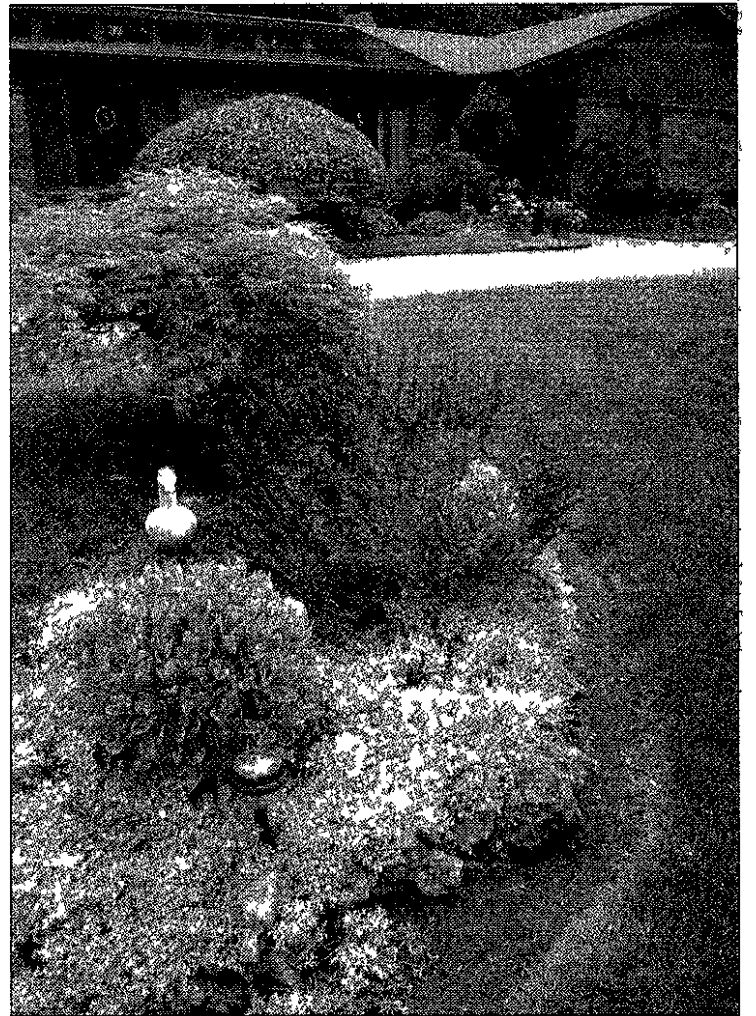
Rosita Trimble's yard has a unique twist that may fascinate garden walkers, it has been certified by the National Wildlife Federation, an organization that promotes habitats for birds and small animals.

For certification, Trimble said her yard has to have certain water and shrubs in order to create a habitat for wildlife.

"I call it my God-beautiful garden," she said. "It brings me great joy."

Trimble has shrubs birds can nest in, a pond animals can drink from and trees with berries the animals can eat.

Also, she has Japanese koi fish in her pond, many perennial and annuals, islands throughout the property providing splashes of color and



Although Gladys Gallagher's property was once an empty lot with a few trees, it is now filled with color and beauty. Her front yard is highlighted by one of the beautiful gardens.

benches to sit on.

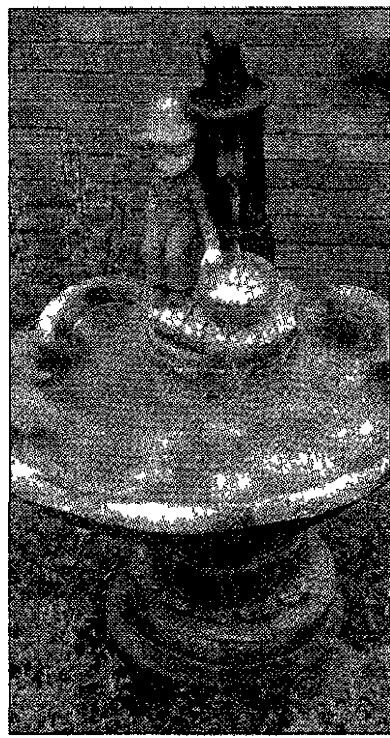
Trimble said gardening relieves stress and is great exercise, too.

"I just love it. It's my passion," she said.

Marian Renaud, program supervisor for Greenmead Historical Park, said the walk is one of the biggest opportunities to aid in saving Livonia history.

Livonia used to be a farming community, she said, and as the city developed elements were lost, but are now preserved at Greenmead Garden.

Garden lovers can enjoy the walk and the beautiful



A fountain adds color and creativity to the Gallagher front yard.

15TH ANNUAL GARDEN WALK IN LIVONIA

What: Seven featured gardens and yards of homes throughout Livonia. All proceeds of the event benefit the restoration and preservation of Greenmead Historical Village.

When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday June 26.

Where: Tickets can be purchased at the Greenmead office located at Greenmead Historical Park at 20501 Newburgh Road just south of Eight Mile or the fifth floor of Livonia City Hall at Five Mile Road east of Farmington Road or at any of the Livonia public libraries.

Tickets: \$9 in advance \$10 the day of event. Maps of the walk will be available the day of the event.

For more information: call (734) 466-2540 or (734) 425-4855.

GARDEN CALENDAR

Hill and Dale

The Hill and Dale Garden Club will have a general meeting 7 p.m. Thursday June 17 at the Heritage Park Visitor's Center on Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. The evening will include a meet and greet and installation of new officers. The public may attend. For more information call Linda Talacki at (248) 646-4374.

Oriental gardens

Eric Grant will show you how to bring a bit of the Orient to your own garden in Gardens of the Orient a slide presentation scheduled 10 a.m. Saturday June 19 at Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center 3301 John R in Troy. Learn about the plants and elements traditionally used and how to design proper placement for an effective place of peace. Highlights of Telly's recent expedition to China and some internationally known Chinese and Japanese gardens will be included. Call (248) 689-8735 for information.

Tropics

The Michigan School of Gardening will offer a class Tropics in the Landscape 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday June 19 at Goldner Walsh

Nursery 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph. Fee is \$40. Register early. Seating is limited. Call (248) 4 GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com. The class which was rescheduled from February will be taught by writer and advanced master gardener Martha Ferguson. Learn how to use all the bold foliage and exotic look of tropical plants in your garden.

Iris club

The Iris Club of Southeast Michigan will have a general meeting 7:30 p.m. Thursday June 24 at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center 3500 Marais (three blocks east of Crooks and three blocks north of 13 Mile) phone (248) 246-3900. Admission is free. The public may attend. Reblooming irises will be discussed. Attend the meeting to learn the answers to such questions as: What are reblooming irises? Where do I buy them? How do I grow them? Why won't my rebloomers rebloom? For more information call Ann at (248) 280-0848 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Hostas

Learn about caring for and using hostas in your garden 10 a.m. Saturday June 26 at Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center 3301 John R in Troy. Perennial sales manager Tom Guibord who attended the National Hosta Convention will share numerous slides of hosta gardens and new varieties for a shade garden. Call (248) 689-8735 for information.

Fresh garden

Learn many of the simple tricks used by professional gardeners in Keeping Your Garden Fresh a class offered at The Community House 380 S. Bates in Birmingham. The class will take place 7-9 p.m. Wednesday June 30. Cost is \$20. Instructor Sue Grubba has been designing residential and commercial landscapes for 15 years. She is the owner of Creative Scapes a landscape and flower garden design firm and is an advanced master gardener and senior instructor at the Michigan School of Gardening. To register call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com.

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Fix up that frosty refrigerator

I don't know if I'm receiving more emails each week because more homeowners are purchasing computers than ever or because more readers and radio listeners are tuning in



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

This one comes from Bill who has spent a lot of time trying to figure out what is wrong with his refrigerator. "I bought a Kenmore refrigerator in 1999 with an ice and water dispenser. About 10 days ago we noticed that the freezer was warm and the ice maker stopped working. I checked the hose on the inside that feeds the ice maker and found it was not frozen (I have had this happen in the past) I cleaned all the dirt and dust under the refrigerator to make sure that wasn't the problem. Then, I took the back off the inside of the freezer and noticed a lot of snow (frost) built up in there. With the door opened I could see that it was thawing pretty quick so I left it opened until the frost melted.

"Later I reinstalled the back wall and connected the electrical plug back into the wall socket and decided to let it run over night. Lo and behold, when we

woke up the next morning, the freezer was cold again and the ice maker was working. This feeling of pride lasted about seven days and then the thing stopped freezing and the ice maker quit making ice.

"Does this sound like something I can fix myself or should I call for service? Regards, Bill"

You cleaned the condenser under the refrigerator which is the most important aspect of maintenance that can be performed by a homeowner. That should save you a lot of money in operational costs every year and add years of life to the compressor.

The "snow" you observed behind the back inside wall is the culprit that's causing all the problems. The evaporator coil is filled with it, won't let air travel through it and consequently, cold air is not being dispersed throughout the inside of both the freezer and refrigerator. When you left it open for a long time, the snow melted and then air could move through that evaporator coil.

This problem is created by a failure to self defrost and I believe you can fix this yourself. Take the model and serial number off the refrigerator and visit your local appliance service shop and have them put it up on their computer or film card system.

They can show you the three components that make up the

defrost system and how they can be changed and checked out by the homeowner. The ice-maker was not working because it has a separate thermostat built into it which must be 10 degrees or colder before it will call for water. Once the freezer reaches cold temperatures, the ice maker begins to work.

A little service trick I use when having to defrost a lot of snow and frost like you discovered behind the wall is to use boiling water. I would boil a big pot of water on the range, place it in front of the refrigerator on a wooden block and a throw rug and use a coffee mug to scoop and throw the boiling water into the massive pile of snow. I would place a thick bath towel on the inside floor of the freezer, which absorbed the boiling water. I was throwing in there.

During this repair, I always took out of my toolbox my faithful old turkey baster and pumped some hot water down the drain tube.

As my grandfather used to say, "Always look down the road ahead of your nose and you'll see a problem before it happens." Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ 950 and WXYT 1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455 7281.

Keep blades sharp to mulch properly

Once heard that if lawns were considered crops, they'd cover more land area in this country than any other.

That seems like a reasonable estimate to me.



Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

both sides

Now that the monsoons we've been experiencing may be letting up a bit, and we can get back into a more normal mowing pattern, let's look at bagging as opposed to mulching as well as some other lawn mowing techniques.

It really doesn't matter if you are mulching or bagging, using a rotary or reel-type mower, the blade must be sharp. Dull blades whack away at the grass, and are more likely to tear leaves than cut them.

One of my neighbors uses a belt sander to sharpen his mower blades right on the mower. Another uses a big file

If you do choose to sharpen the blade while on the mower, be certain to disconnect the spark plug wire from the spark plug, which helps keep the motor from accidentally starting.

Be sure to remove the same amount of material from each side of the blade or you may throw the mower out of balance, causing a damaging vibration.

I like to have two blades. That way I can have one in the shop being sharpened, while the other is on the mower. To remove a blade from the mower, first disconnect the spark plug wire from the spark plug.

Then, from underneath hold on, with a rag or glove and use a wrench to remove the bolt holding the blade on the motor shaft.

Reverse the process to install a new blade. I find an adjustable wrench can be cumbersome for this job, but if it's all you have, use it.

It's especially important the blade be kept sharp on mulching mowers.

Mulching machines work by continually cutting and re-cutting the grass clippings until they are very fine. They are then deposited into, not onto the lawn.

If the blade isn't sharp, the clippings are pulverized and form moist clumps drop onto

the lawn. Clippings may also stick to the underside of the mower deck, causing the mower to bog down, stall, or prematurely rust the mower deck. Grass cut with a dull blade looks ragged and stringy at the cut line and will often have a white or yellowish-brown cast. Along with keeping the blade sharp, there are a few other ways to keep large clumps of clippings off your lawn when mulching.

First, avoid cutting the lawn when the grass is wet. Don't cut more than one-third of the height of the grass (It's been difficult to maintain that length with all the rain we've had.)

When grass gets long, that's when bagging works best. Don't cut too fast or cut a wide path.

The fewer clippings under the deck, the better the blade can mulch.

If you are looking for a new mower, I suggest getting one that allows bagging or mulching. Get one that provides sufficient horsepower to keep the blade speed fast enough for mulching (or about 5 horsepower or more).

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident.

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Sylvan Lake sets first home, garden tour

Richard and Carol Vanker's home is nestled in a quiet, tree-filled neighborhood in Sylvan Lake

The Southern Colonial style house, which marks its centennial this year, has a stately mien, with a 100-year-old, oval, stained glass window at the peak.

The residence looks out on a calm lake. A lush lawn and gentle shrubs are spread in front.

"We like sitting on the porch watching the world go by," Carol said. "We've gotten to know a lot of people through that."

Many passersby comment on how beautiful the house is, she says.

Such friendliness, and such lovely and interesting residences, are typical of Sylvan Lake.

Whether you have wondered about certain houses in Sylvan Lake, or have never visited it, a special invitation is extended to you for next week.

The tiny (1.5 square miles, population about 1,900), picturesque community will have its first Home and Garden Tour 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 26 (see related items).

The event will feature eight homes with gardens, and two additional gardens. Sylvan Lake's original Interurban train exchange and original post office, both now private homes, will be noted on the tour.

A shuttle bus for visitors needing assistance will be available, courtesy of American House Independent Living Residences.

Judy Schwantz is chairing the event. Famed artist Eric Weigand, who lives in one of the featured homes, designed the graphic logo for the tour. The tour starting point will be the Sylvan Lake Community Center.

Visitors will see how the residents put their own stamp on each home.

Here are samples of other houses on tour

Other houses on the Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour include

■ A bungalow that the current homeowners redecorated on their own.

Their creativity shows everywhere, including the charming outdoor sitting area in front, the unusual shelving arrangement in the living room, and the red bathroom inspired by a similar red room at the Grand Hotel.

The beautiful back yard features three spectacular purple clematis plants.

■ A Craftsman style home, built in 1924, with flooring milled from a 100-year-old hickory tree that fell during a windstorm in 2000.

The family has done a lot of work in the home together, including the ceramic tile in the basement

and the brick pavers. ■ A custom-built modern home with a reflective, silver, barrel-vaulted roof. The house is made of wood, steel and expanses of glass. A large steel beam sculpture adorns the path to the front entrance.

■ A cedar shake, cottage style house that sits on a hill and has a winding outside stairway. The homeowner, a graphic artist, designed and handcrafted the intricate tile work on the first floor. The garden features 20 different types of hostas.

■ A house, originally built in 1955 and remodeled in 1997, that has a "war room" above the garage serving as a multi-purpose office. The second floor also features a wooden cupola, with an aluminum staircase, that overlooks a lake.

"We wanted (a tour with) something for anybody," said Marlene Toby, one of the organizers. "Anybody with any imagination can get some great ideas here."

A sampling of houses featured on the tour shows how eclectic the community is as well as the creativity of the residents.

The Vankers have lived in their house for 26 years, raising three sons, now ages 18, 20 and 22. Their residence is the first permanent lakeside house built in Sylvan Lake.

The family, the third owners of the property, added three bedrooms and a family room, and opened the screened-in wooden porch.

"We tried to keep its original (spirit) to a degree," Carol said. Inside, the house is smaller than what it appears from the

outside. Natural oak trim runs throughout, and antiques are among the furnishings.

Some of the rooms are angled, such as the cozy living room. Here an elegant Italian marble fireplace stands in one corner. The walls are a deep cranberry, the ceiling white.

Two sofas and a small wooden chair form a conversational space on an area rug, the sofas and rug have similar colors in their patterns.

Soft, sheer, white drapes grace a window. A trunk and small tables - one round, one rectangular - add to the warmth of the room.

CONTEMPORARY

Alan Zimmerman and Bruce Weber's house was built in 1917.

Renovation plans for the 1,250-square-foot house were

SYLVAN LAKE HOME & GARDEN TOUR

What: A tour of eight homes with gardens and two additional gardens in Sylvan Lake. The 1.5-square-mile community borders on Pontiac Keego Harbor, West Bloomfield and Bloomfield Township.

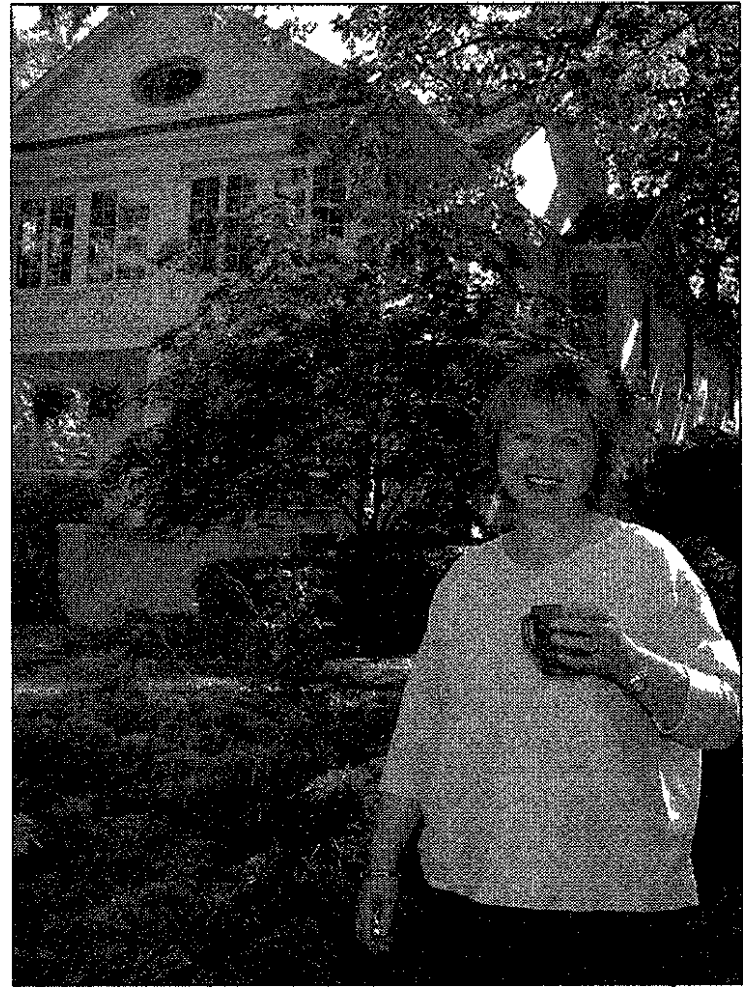
When: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 26.

Tickets: \$10 for groups of 10 or more; \$12 prior to the tour; \$15 at the time of the tour.

The second annual Shake at the Lake presented by Pontiac Theater IV will take place June 26. This year's play performed outdoors at the lake shore will be *Much Ado About Nothing*.

A combination ticket that includes the home and garden tour, a pre-play gourmet dinner and the play is \$60.

Information: (248) 681-2750 or (248) 681-8624.



Carol Vanker stands in front of her 100-year-old home, one of eight houses featured on the first Sylvan Lake Home and Garden Tour. An oval, stained glass window is at the peak of the residence, the first permanent lakeside house built in the community.

seeing our Christmas tree," Zimmerman said.

The tone of the residence is contemporary. Even small areas have a spacious feel.

The living room and adjoining dining room feature white walls, recessed lighting, and rectangular pedestals upon which art works are displayed.

In the living room, natural light pours in from windows. Sofas, a chair and an ottoman are black leather. Wall paintings, an area rug and a coffee table are colorful. Dishes on the table have an Oriental and geometric look.

In the dining room, black barrel style chairs surround a round table. A glass block window fills one wall.

The former kitchen was converted into a bar and laundry room. Weber designed the closet doors (behind which are the washer and dryer) and stained glass windows. The

doors and windows feature Wright-like patterns.

Frank Lloyd Wright has always been a big influence," Zimmerman said.

The current roomy kitchen was built to support a crowd, Zimmerman says. This area has plenty of space for guests to congregate. It also includes a skylight, granite tops and nutmeg-colored walls.

The back yard is a private Eden, with a variety of flowers and plants, ponds and a "river," blue slate in the walls and walk, and bronze statues from Thailand.

Weber and Zimmerman designed the garden, and designed and installed the ponds (one of which features a waterfall). Aqua Fina of Sylvan Lake designed and fabricated the "river."

"The sound of running water is very relaxing," Zimmerman said.

given to the then-owner as a birthday present. When Zimmerman and Weber bought the house in 1988, they put the plans into effect.

The house - now 2,350 square feet, with a 150-square-foot detached studio - is artistic in spirit and decor.

Paintings by Weber, paintings bought in Cape Cod, and other art works are arranged throughout the rooms.

The entryway features a high ceiling. The homeowners place a tall tree in the space for the holidays.

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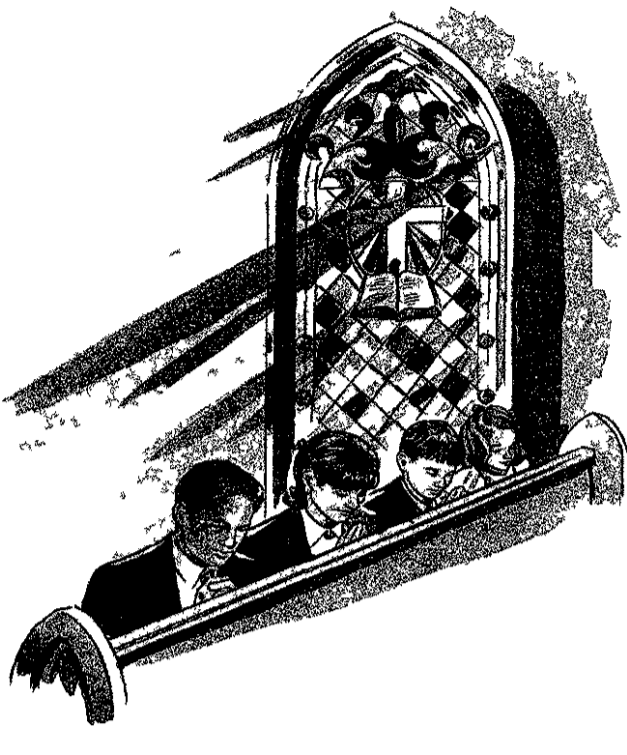
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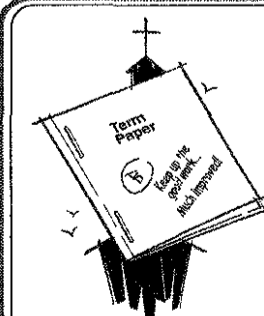
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The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but a wise man listens to advice. R.S.V. Proverbs 12:15

Car should be cleaned periodically

My car is constantly cluttered with papers, toys, cans and cups. It is also dirty inside and outside. How can I consistently keep a neat, clean car?



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There are many reasons why a car is cluttered. Almost every item in our home enters via the car. In the age of fast foods and a fast pace, the car is also a restaurant on wheels. This tends to leave a legacy of forgotten french fries under seats and behind cushions

Upon returning home from school, lessons, and practices, our kids burst from the car, leaving their belongings behind. Of course, we leave things in the car all the time, too.

You need an organized system to maintain a clean, clutter-free car.

Train family members to be responsible to take their personal belongings into the house each time they leave the car. You will need to make this a rule using rewards or consequences. Each time you arrive home, empty the car of your personal items and any purchases you have made. Do not be tempted to unload the car and dump items on the kitchen counter. Make sure you put everything away when you get into the house so you do not create another clutter area.

Keep a rotating basket in your car. A rotating basket works similar to the rotating

shelves in your home. The rotating basket is a home for temporary items such as wallpaper, library books, or a return item. You need to take the wallpaper to the hardware store in order to match paint colors for your bedroom wall, return the library books to the library, exchange an item at a store. The basket in your car will contain these items so they are not rolling around on the floor. It will also serve as a reminder of errands you must do. Take the basket back and forth from car to house for loading and unloading purposes.

Some items should remain in your car. Keep a plastic trash bag in the car to discard items. Keep wipes for spills or sticky hands. If your car does not have a built-in drink holder, you may want to purchase one.

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Schedule a time to wash and vacuum your car weekly. There are several options depending on the weather conditions. Wash and vacuum it yourself at home. Fill up with gas and drive through a car wash. There is usually a vacuum facility available. Pay your child or a neighborhood child to clean the car.

Each time you eat in the car, prepare for a cleanup when you arrive home. Take trash out to prevent spoiled food odors. Vacuum food crumbs. A hand vacuum will work best. You want to avoid food spills in your car. When you transport prepared food, put the ingredients in sealed containers. Put the food you have cooked in a basket or box lined with old

towels. Make sure everything fits tightly and is secure.

Secure lids to casseroles with rubber bands. You will want to concentrate on your driving rather than catching food spills. Avoid transporting milk products unless the container is tightly sealed.

On one occasion I decided to bring two gallons of hot chocolate home from a school party. My gut feeling was to dump it into the drain at school but I felt that was wasteful.

Despite my anxieties about the hot chocolate, my daughter and I arrived home safely in our mini-van. As I turned off the engine, my daughter decided to come to the front of the van, using the plastic container that held the milk as her stepping stool. Due to the temperature of the hot chocolate, the lid caved in sending a tidal wave of sticky brown liquid onto the carpet. I immediately cleaned up the spill but within

a week the van was filled with an extremely foul odor. We had the carpets professionally cleaned but the smell remained. For six months we tried numerous things to get rid of the odor. We used car scents, candles, cleaners, odor absorbers and more. Finally, we removed the carpet and hung it on our back fence for several months allowing it to absorb the rain, snow and sun. Moral of the story: Beware of containers bearing milk.

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BULLETIN:

'Spend a few extra minutes to empty the car before entering the house!'

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Dinner and live music 5-7 p.m. Saturday, June 26 at St. Hilary of Redford, 23901 Elmira. Tickets \$8. Call (313) 533-1560. Mass at 11 a.m. followed by noon picnic with food, music, base ball game, magician and moonwalk. Sunday, June 27. Inviting all current and former parishioners, grade school alumni, all current and former staff, neighbors and friends.

Vacation Bible Club

Continues 6-8 p.m. through Friday, June 18 at Community Baptist Church, 28237 W. Warren Road, Garden City. For more information call (734) 522-3710. There will be a special guest appearance by Sponge Bob Squarepants. All kids coming out of first to eighth grades this past school year are welcome to attend. Learn about Jesus through fun activities and games. Parents will need to fill out a permission slip the first day they arrive. There is no cost for the event. The CBC Day Camp for ages 6-12 began Monday, June 14 and continues for 11 weeks. There will be fun field trips, Christian based lessons and lunch provided daily. The cost is \$160 per camper each week. Camp is limited to the first 14 campers and there is a \$25 deposit due in order to hold the camper's spot for each week. Camp hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with pre-care (8-9 a.m.) and post-care (4-5 p.m.) available for an extra \$35. To register or for information call camp director Ethan Allen at (734) 306-2391.

Summer music ministry series

6 p.m. potluck, 7 p.m. Concert. Thursday, June 17 (cabaret) and July 8 (sing a long) at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 W. Six Mile Redford. Call (313) 534-7730. Bring a dish to pass, share fellowship, food, music.

Kidz Blitz

High octane Christian event for the whole family 7 p.m. Saturday, June 19 at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, Northville. For information call (248) 348-7600.

CMA benefit ride

The Christian Motorcyclists Association hosts a ride that begins 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 19 at the Michigan Theological Seminary, 41550 E. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth. Registration is free but pledges are welcome. CMA hopes to raise \$10,000 to further the education of future pastors and ministers trained at the seminary. For more information call (734) 207-9581 or (734) 414-8240.

Davey and Goliath camp

Moms and Dads remember Davey and Goliath from their childhood and look forward to reliving the adventures along with their children at a Bible

School 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church on the north side of Six Mile between Merriman and Middlebelt, Livonia. Open to all children ages 3 through entering 6th grade. From cool crafts to wild games, Camp Creation is a week of non-stop excitement. Kids celebrate the gospel by learning from Jesus how to care for everything in God's world. 7 p.m. Thursday, June 24th parents and family members are invited to attend a special program given by the children. A free will offering will be taken. To register call (734) 427-1414.

SonGames

Vacation Bible School 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at Ward Presbyterian Church, Northville. For more information call (248) 374-5975.

Fine arts camp

Focusing on music, art and drama for children entering kindergarten through sixth grade. 8:30 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills. Fee is \$25. Family discount for additional campers. To register call (248) 533-3380.

Vacation Bible School

Lava Lava Island where Jesus' love flows for children from kindergarten to grade five. 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at St. Timothy Presbyterian Church, 16700 Newburgh, Livonia. To register call (734) 464-8844.

SonGames

Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon, June 21-25 at Guardian Lutheran Church, 24544 Cherry Hills, Dearborn. No charge. To pre-register call (313) 274-1414.

Hero Quest

Vacation Bible School for ages 4-14, 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 West Six Mile Redford. \$5 registration fee. Call (313) 534-7730.

Lava Lava Island

Where Jesus' Love Flows for students in third and fourth grades. 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington, north of I-96, Livonia. For information call (734) 522-6830.

Vacation Bible School

Join us in the jungle of Lava Lava Island. You'll enjoy Bible point crafts and exciting games, experience thrilling Bible stories, sample tasty snacks and hear unforgettable music. Lava Lava Island, Where Jesus' Love Flows. 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, June 21-25 at St. Aidan Catholic Church, 17500 Farmington Road, Livonia. Cost is \$15 per student, grades 1-6. To register call (734) 425-9333. Deadline for registration is Wednesday, June 9.

Homemade pie sale

To raise funds for the American Cancer Society. 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, June 22 at West Bloomfield United Methodist Church, 4100 Walnut Lake Road, west of Orchard Lake Road. Call (248) 851-2330.

Performance

Author and composer Jonathan Cring and symphony conductor Janet Clazz Scott perform and evening of music and monologue including readings from Cring's new book, *Finding the Lily*. 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 23 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. A free will offering will be taken after the service and copies of the book will be available for purchase along with musical CDs. For more information call (248) 442-8822.

Prayer lecture

And book signing by Sheila Gautreaux Lee, author of *Praying Through a Storm*. 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, June 23 at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 421-1760.

Boutique/bake sale

The sale is noon to 6 p.m. Sunday, June 27 at St. Mary's Basilica Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman between Six and Seven Mile, Livonia. Admission is \$1. Vendors interested in participating should call (248) 478-7062. The sale is presented by St. Mary's Basilica Ladies Society.

Anniversary celebration

Episcopal Church of the Holy Spirit celebrates its 35th anniversary with a party and picnic that begins with the 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday, June 27 at the church, 9083 Newburgh. For more information visit www.holyspiritlivonia.org.

Neighborhood Bible Time

Begins Sunday, June 27 and continues to Friday, July 2 (registration begins at 6 p.m., program ends at 9 p.m.) at Grace Baptist Church, 28440 Lyndon north of I-96 between Middlebelt and Inkster roads, Livonia. The summer youth crusade is for all children and teenagers and focuses on faith, family and freedom. For more information call (734) 425-6215.

Church day camp

For ages 5-12, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday, June 28-July 1 at St. John Lutheran Church, 23225 Gill south of Grand River, west of Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. For more information cost and registration call (248) 474-0584.

Register now

Vacation Bible School Xtreme Team for ages 4 years old to sixth grade. 9-11:30 a.m. June 21-25 at Garden City First United Methodist Church, 6443 Merriman Road. There will be stories, crafts, games, music and a light lunch. Families are invited to join us for a musical program and Ice Cream Social. 7 p.m. Friday, June 25. You do not have to be a member of our church to attend. For more information or to register call Diane at (734) 421-8628.

UPCOMING

Vacation Bible School

Register now through for Lava Lava Island Vacation Bible School to be held 9 a.m. to noon Aug. 9-13 for pre-school to grade 6 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile Road east of the I-275 overpass, Livonia. The cost is \$15. Call Jen Pifer at (734) 464-0211.

Spirit Days

4-9 p.m. Aug. 9-15. Spirit Days will explore the life and worship of Christians around the world at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 26212 W. Six Mile Redford. Light meals each evening with worship and activities. Call (313) 537-3778.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. Takes place Friday-Sunday, Sept. 10-12 at St. John's Family Life Center, 44011 Five Mile, Plymouth.

There is a \$50 registration fee.

For more information or to register call (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524 or visit the Web site at www.rc.net/detroit/wwme.

Noah's Ark Christian Preschool

Strong academic program in a fun loving Christian environment at First United Methodist Church, 3 Town Square, Wayne. Call (734) 595-6002. Students are taught phonics, Bible verse, sign language, numbers and letter recognition, craft and songs. Morning and afternoon sessions available for fall 2004-2005. Cost is \$30 a week for three day program. \$20 a week for two days.

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Crafters wanted

Currently accepting applications for the Christmas Craft Show. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4 at St. Thomas & Becket, 555 S. Lilley, Canton. Interested crafters call Gloria at (734) 673-6061.

School registrations

Hosanna Tabor Lutheran School (9600 Laverne Redford) is accepting applications for grades PK-8 for the 2004-2005 school year. After school care available 3-6 p.m. For more information call (313) 937-2233.



ALBERT C. SCOTT

Of Lynchburg, VA and Marietta, GA died Monday, May 31 after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. Born in Cleveland, Ohio on October 23, 1919 to Charles and Angela Scott. Al spent most of his youth in Detroit, Michigan. After graduating from University of Detroit High School, he attended Miami of Ohio University. He received an appointment to U.S. Naval Academy but left the Academy and enlisted in the Army Air Corps shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He served in the U.S. Army for the course of the war rising to the rank of Captain. After leaving the army, he spent much of his working life in the transportation industry as an executive with Ford Motor Company and Trailmobile. Later he and his beloved wife Marion opened a tobacco shop, Churchills of Birmingham in Lake Forest, Illinois, which they ran for 25 years. Al was a volunteer for the Ostomy Association for a number of years and after retirement gave tours at Poplar Forest, a historic site of Lynchburg. An incredibly sweet tempered man, he loved the mountains of Virginia, genealogy, puns, books and ice cream. He will be greatly missed by his wife of 60 years, Marion Povah Scott, his children Albert C. Scott Jr. of Birmingham, MI and Ginny Scott Slagle of Marietta, GA, grandchildren Aubrey Slagle, Decatur, GA, David Scott, Sterling Heights, MI and Anthony Scott, Rio Rancho, NM, and his sister Ruth Scott Glass, Lynchburg, VA. A memorial service was held Monday, June 7 in Lynchburg, VA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests a charitable contribution to the donor's organization of choice.

ARLENE GREEN

Age 69 of Beverly Hills died June 12, 2004. Owner of Birmingham Road Store and True-Faux Jewelry Store in Birmingham from 1973-1999. A graduate of Central High, a member of Congregation Sharrye Zedek Birmingham Business Association. She published many books including color books and the Green Family Cook Book in the early 1970's. She also previously owned the Margold Dill Cheesecake Company. She is survived by her children Melinda and Dr. Jeffrey Tepler of Rye, NY; Amy Thrasher of Arlington, VA; B. David Green of New Zealand; Elliot Green and Robin Reed of New York City; Rebecca and Bruce Sherr of Pittsburgh, PA; and Benita and Andrew Lee of Bloomfield Hills. Grandchildren, Jacob Marissa and Hanna Sher, Sarah Ben Elizabeth and Emily Tepler, Emily and Bernice Thrasher, Rowena and Saskia Rushton-Green, mother, Alyce Seyburn, sister and brother-in-law Beverly and Dr. Walter Forman. Mrs. Green was the beloved wife of the late Dr. Wesley Green, the devoted daughter of the late Bernard Seyburn. Services held 2:00 PM at The Clover Hill Park Cemetery Chapel. Contributions may be directed to Hospice of Michigan, 400 Mack Avenue, Detroit 48201. Arrangements by Ira Kaufman Chapel, (248) 569-0020. www.irakauffman.com.

CAROLYN (LYN) A TOUSLEY

Of Farmington Hills passed away June 11, 2004 at the age of 59. She is survived by her husband, Gary, daughter Mya (Jim) Twisten of Davisburg, sisters Connie Clous of Traverse City, Paula (Bruce) Day of Grand Haven and brother Dallas (Marlyn) Wood of Manton. Her parents (Leo & Lois Wood) and a brother (Bill Wood) preceded her in death.

Leo Joseph McCauley

Born July 3, 1929. Age 74. Died May 30, 2004 in Sacramento, California of Leukemia. Beloved husband of the late Lyn I. Loving, son of the late Owen A. and Unity McCauley. Dear brother of Rosemarie O'Brien, Patricia Pelear, Owen McCauley and the late Timothy J. McCauley. Uncle of Sheila Schimpf, Patricia Leitch, Maureen O'Brien, Terry O'Brien, M.D. and Jack and Owen Murtagh. Also survived by many great nieces and nephews. Leo graduated from St. Theresa High School in Detroit and was a graduate of the University of Detroit in 1951. He wrote for the Associated Press before accepting a professorship at the American River College of Sacramento, California in 1953. He was actively involved with the Human Society, Sacramento Library, Defenders of Wildlife, the Sierra Club and the Audubon Society. Leo was a member of the Magician's Society and the International Brotherhood of Magicians and was often known to say "McCauley A Name to Conjure With." Arrangements by O'Brien Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River Avenue, Novi, Michigan 48375. 248-348-1800. Service: Holy Family Church, 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Saturday, June 19th at 11:00 a.m.

ROBERT S. NOLAN

Age 52 of Troy, June 14, 2004. Suddenly Beloved husband of Suzanne. Dear father of Jason M., Daniel R. and William T. Son of John and Alice. Also 5 brothers, 1 sister and many loving nieces, nephews and in laws. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons, Funeral Home, 2600 Crooks Road (between Maple and Big Beaver), Friday, 2-8 PM. Funeral Mass at St. Thomas More Church, 4580 Adams Road, Troy, Saturday, 10 AM. Memorial Tributes: American Heart Association or charity of donor's choice.



MRS. MARIE M. SMITH

Age 87 of Atlanta, died Saturday, June 12, 2004 at Englehart's Care Home in Atlanta. Mrs. Smith was born in Hvar, Croatia on May 14, 1917 and came to the United States in 1934. In September of 1947 in Detroit, she married Robert Caleb Smith. The couple made their home in the Southfield/Detroit area until the early 1990s when they moved permanently to their summer home on McCormick Lake in Atlanta. During the war she was one of Rosie the Riveters working at the Burroughs Corporation. She also worked in the MCL Cafeteria in Southfield serving coffee and desserts and volunteered at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She is survived by her husband, Robert C. her children Robert B. (Judy McLane) of Lansing, Timothy S. (Nancy) of South Lyon, Patricia A. Smith of Denver, CO, grandchildren Krsnan K. Smith of New Mexico, Timothy Rody of Colorado, Laurin M. Smith of South Lyon, Jeffrey Rody of Colorado, Nina & Karly Smith of South Lyon, brothers George Bracken of Florida and Anthony Braconovich of Croatia, her best friends Lenne Stanczvk and Nina Mills. She was preceded in death by her sister Antonieta Grubovic. Private family services will be held for Mrs. Smith Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association for research through the Nelson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 1548, Gaylord, MI 49734.

ROSSLYN "ROSS" MURDOCK

Age 84 of Canton died June 12, 2004. Dear father of Mary (Wyatt) Hazlett Sr. of Plymouth, Ruth (Randy) Hardy of South Lyon, and Ross (Margaret) Murdock of Ploverville. Dear grandfather of seven and great-grandfather of five. Also leaves brothers Ernest of Youngstown, Ohio and Ronald of Riley, Kansas, as well as several nieces and nephews. Mr. Murdock a veteran of WWII (Army) and a retiree of Ford Motor Company will be remembered at a Committal Service 12 Noon Thursday, June 17 at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, 17840 Middlebelt Livonia (between 6 and 7 Mile Roads). The family will appreciate memorial contributions to the Salvation Army, or the Michigan Humane Society.

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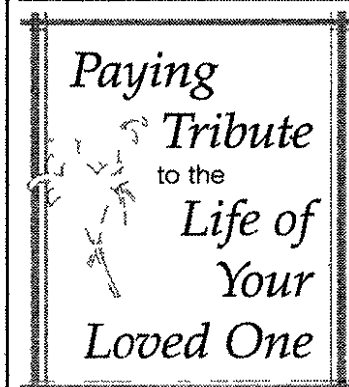
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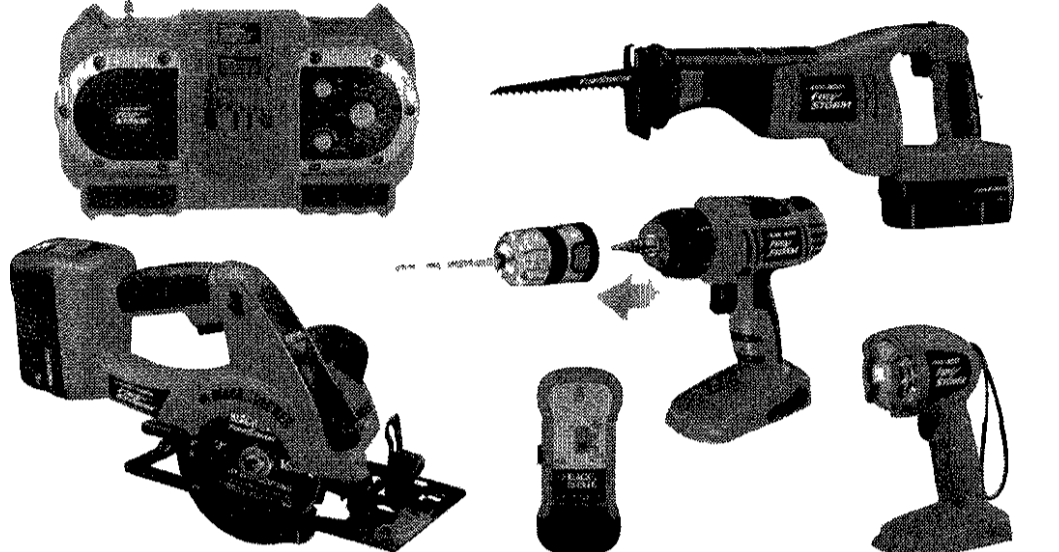
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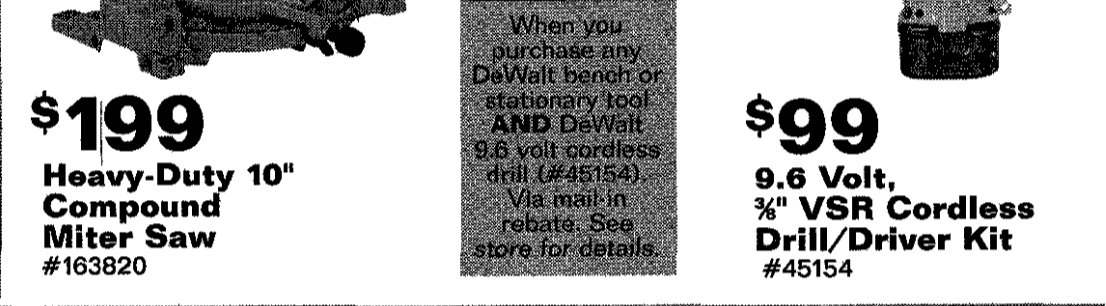
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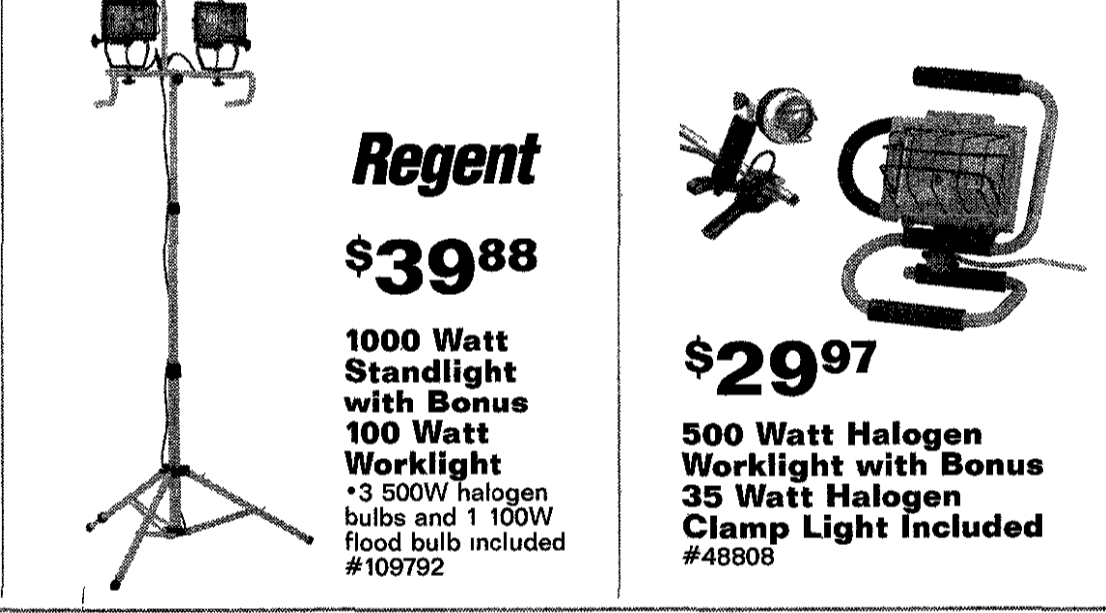
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JUNE 8, 2004

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to move from open to closed session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss pending litigation and employee negotiations. Motion carried unanimously. Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo. Staff Present: Director Durack. Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to move from closed session to open session at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, June 8, 2004, at 46000 Summit Parkway. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll Call: Members Present: Bennett, Burdziak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack, Zarbo. Staff Present: Director Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin. Adoption of Agenda: Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the Board Minutes of May 25, 2004. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdziak to approve the Board Minutes of June 1, 2004. Motion carried unanimously. Payment of Bills: Motion by Kirchgatter supported by Burdziak to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Expenditure Recap for June 8, 2004

Table with 3 columns: Fund Name, Amount, Total. Includes General Fund, Fire Fund, Police Fund, Summit Operating, Street Lighting, Cable TV Fund, Public Improvement, E 911 Utility, Auto Forfeiture (w/wa), Auto Theft Grant, Downtown Dev Authority, Cap Proj Summit Const, Golf Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Trust & Agency Fund, Post Employ Benefits, E Palmer Rd Pav Dept Srv, Beck Rd Pav Dept Serv, S Haggerty Rd Pav, Total - All Funds.

PUBLIC HEARING PH. 1. Public Hearing for the 2004 Sidewalk Repair Program. Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to open the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. to hear comments on the necessity of sidewalk repairs pursuant to the Township Sidewalk Ordinance and Sidewalk Repair Program Policy and as provided in Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989. Motion carried unanimously. Director Faas stated that this Program for 2004 represents approximately 4% (11,000 to 12,000 Homes) of the homes in the community. The Township will pay approximately 1/3 of the cost for total repairs. Giglano Brothers contracted with the Township last year to do the repairs and the Township has the option to extend the contract this year. Since the Township has had no complaints from 2003 it is likely that an extension to the contract will take place. The residents will have an additional 30 days (60 days last year total for 2004, 90 days) to complete their portion of the repairs, with the option of completing the repairs themselves or contracting with the Township to complete the repairs at an additional 10% in cost for administrative costs. The contractor will begin work the week after Labor Day and complete the last week of October. The average cost per home, per average per slab is \$167.00. There will be a 4 inch concrete replacement for sidewalks and 6 inch replacement of sidewalks that connect to the driveway or driveway approach. Public comments were made by Tess Chick 39737 Fox Valley and James Hudgins, 879 Glenullin Dr with a letter from Venkatesha and Veena Hollabli, 880 Glenullin Dr. Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to close the Public Hearing at 7:45 p.m. to hear comments on the necessity of sidewalk repairs pursuant to the Township Sidewalk Ordinance and Sidewalk Repair Program Policy and as provided in Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to adopt the submitted list requiring replacement or repair of sidewalks (Account Number 101 441 930 0000) in Brookside Village #1 through #5 Brookside Village West, Cherry Hill Oaks, Cherry Hill Pines, Edenbrooke Estates, Edenbrooke Farms, Salem Manor, Smokler, Tuedsell, and Miscellaneous locations as indicated on the attached list. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR. Item 1. Set the Public Hearing Date for a Class C Liquor License Request from Buffalo Wide Wings, 41980 Ford Road (Former Cooker's Restaurant). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to set the public hearing date for July 13, 2004 with publication date of June 17, 2004 in the Canton Observer for Wings Twelve Inc for a Class C Liquor License. Outdoor Service Permit and Entertainment Permit to be located on 41980 Ford Road, Canton MI on Parcel No 044 99 0010 704. Motion carried unanimously.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONSIDERATION OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR WINGS TWELVE, INC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended and pursuant to Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 6 Section 6.32, of the Charter Township of Canton that the Board of Trustees will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday July 13, 2004, at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m. for the following purpose:

To hear and take testimony to consider and recommend an action to the Michigan Liquor License Commission of the request of Wings Twelve Inc for issuance of a Class C Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Official Food Permits to be located at the former Cooker Restaurant located at 41980 Ford Road, Canton Michigan 48188. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend and will be offered an opportunity at said hearing to voice any comments they may have regarding this request. Written comments may also be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office at 1150 South Canton Center Road, Canton MI 48188 prior to the hearing date.

TERRY G BENNETT Township Clerk

Publish June 17 2004

Item 2. Budget Amendment - General Fund-Building and Inspection Services. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund for the 2004 Home Improvement Expo: Increase Revenues: Home Improvement Expo Fees #101 000 670-3710 \$1,500 00. Increase Appropriations: Home Improvement Expo #101 371 880 0000 \$1 500 00.

This budget amendment increases Building and Inspection Services Division budget from \$1,797,765.00 to \$1,799,165.00, and the General Fund budget from \$24,927,314.00 to \$24,928,814.00. Motion carried unanimously. Item

3. Special Community Event Status for Canton Garden Club's Garden Walk. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status for the Canton Garden Club's Garden Walk and placement of signs advertising the event. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 4. Second Reading Amending the Code of Ordinances Property Maintenance Requirements, Chapter 78, Article 1, Section 78-2, C9. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to remove from the table and publish the second reading of the amended Property Maintenance Requirements, Chapter 78 Article 1, Section 78 2 C9 to become effective upon publication in the Canton Observer on June 17, 2004. Motion carried unanimously. (c) Standards (9) Grass height: Grass in all landscaped grass areas shall not be permitted to grow higher than five (5) inches in height.

Item 5. Budget Amendment-General Fund-Municipal Services Department. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve a budget amendment in the General Fund to increase revenue account #101 000 687 1000 Refunds Insurance Claims by \$600 and increase appropriation account #101 305 977 0000, Municipal Services Capital Outlay by \$600. This budget amendment increases the General Fund budget from \$24,927,314 to \$24,927,914 and the Municipal Services Department budget from \$395,626 to \$396,226. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 6. Budget Amendment to Transfer Contribution from Yazaki North America to River Day Account. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to transfer \$1,500 contribution from Yazaki North America (deposited in Account #101 000 675 0000 Contributions) to Canton's River Day Account #101 441 880 1000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 7. Consider Utility Declarations for Heritage Park, Golf Course (2) and Travis House Properties. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Township Clerk and Supervisor to execute the declarations for the water main improvements for parcel numbers 083 99 0004 707 (Heritage Park) 081 99 0001 707 (2A and 2B Pheasant Run Golf Course) and 072 99 0015 000 (Travis House Parcel).

DECLARATION 083 99 0004 707

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Canton Center Road S, Canton Michigan 48188. WITNESSETH WHEREAS the Declarant is the owner of a certain parcel of real estate more particularly described in the attached Exhibit A (the "Property") and WHEREAS the Declarant has established a 12 foot wide water main utility across the property in a location specifically described in the attached Exhibit A (the "Property") and WHEREAS the Declarant desires to reserve unto itself a Utility Easement over the "Utility Easement parcel" for the purposes of installing locating constructing and maintaining using the "Utility Easement Parcel" for the purpose of a water main utility and all purposes related thereto. NOW THEREFORE based upon the foregoing the "Declarant" hereby declares and reserves unto itself a Utility Easement on the above described property (Exhibit A) specifically located on the above described "Utility Easement" parcel (Exhibit B) for the purposes of installing locating, constructing, maintaining and using the Utility Easement Parcel" for the purpose of a water main utility and for all purposes related thereto. THAT FURTHER this Declaration shall be recorded in the office of the Wayne County Register of Deeds. THAT FURTHER any deed or other conveyance of the Property (Exhibit A) shall be subject to the Declaration.

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Declarant: Charter Township of Canton By Thomas J Yack Its Supervisor By Terry G Bennett Its Clerk STATE OF MICHIGAN)

JSS

COUNTY OF WAYNE)

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Notary Public Wayne County Michigan My Commission Expires

Drafted By Ronald E Withhoff, Esq 217 W Ann Arbor Road Suite 302 Plymouth MI 48170 (734) 453 7877 When Recorded Return to Terry G Bennett, Clerk Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center Road S Canton Michigan 48188

EXHIBIT A

Property located in the State of Michigan, County of Wayne Township of Canton described as follows: Part of S 1/2 Sec 21 T2s R8E described as beginning N 00° 06 minutes 24 seconds W 1402 71 feet from SE corner section 21 thence S 54° 33 01 W 643 44 feet, thence S 00° 06 24 E 348 85 feet, thence S 44° 75 14 W 423 54 feet, thence N 45° 02 46 E 348 85 feet, thence along a curve concave to SW RAD 545 feet CH N 56° 58 11 27 W 247 88 feet, thence N 00° 18 41 E 462 15 feet, thence N 71° 49 55 W 546 61 feet, thence N 70° 09 57 W 469 58 feet, thence N 42° 10 16 E 94 11 feet, thence N 53° 52 51 W 447 71 feet.

EXHIBIT B

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF A 12.00 FEET WIDE WATER MAIN EASEMENT PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 21 T2S R8E CANTON TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1/4 COR SEC 21 BEING PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 21 T2S R8E CANTON TOWNSHIP WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN THENCE ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE, S87° 34 29 W 1397 50 TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE ALONG THE EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE OF SAID SECTION 21 S87° 34 29 W 12 28 FEET, THENCE S09° 54 31 W 36 50 FEET LINE OF SAID SECTION 21, THENCE ALONG SAID EAST AND WEST 1/4 LINE, S87° 34 29 W 27 45 FEET, THENCE S86° 30 00 E 105 36 FEET, THENCE N87° 39 32 E 1110 04 FEET, THENCE S03° 12 07 E 215 09 FEET, THENCE N86° 47 53 E 12 00 FEET, THENCE N03° 12 07 W 214 91 FEET, THENCE N87° 39 32 E 81 34 FEET, THENCE N02° 20 28 W 12 00 FEET, THENCE S02° 20 28 E 7 00 FEET, THENCE S87° 39 32 W 51 61 FEET, THENCE N09° 54 31 E 36 52 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINS 18624 00 SQUARE FEET OR 43 ACRES. NOTE BEARINGS BASED ON MICHIGAN SPECS SOUTH ZONE GRID NORTH.

DECLARATION 081 99 0001 707 (2A)

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DECLARATION 081 99 0001 707 (2B)

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DECLARATION 072 99 0015 000

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EXHIBIT A

That part of the southeast 1/4 of Section 18 described as Beginning at a point on the North and South 1/4 line of said section distant North 0 degrees 07 minutes 50 seconds east 412 50 feet from the south 1/4 corner of section 18 and proceeding thence north 0 degrees 07 minutes 50 seconds east along said line 66 85 feet, thence north 30 degrees 42 minutes east along the centerline of Ridge Road 1298 95 feet, thence south 89 degrees 26 minutes 40 seconds east 664 85 feet, thence south 0 degrees 02 minutes 30 seconds east 1270 54 feet, thence North 09 degrees 32 minutes 10 seconds west 801 21 feet, thence north 0 degrees 07 minutes 50 seconds east 82 50 feet, thence North 89 degrees 32 minutes 10 seconds west 528 00 feet to the point of beginning except the North part thereof measuring 415 50 feet on the east line and 489 52 feet on the west line of said parcel. Also described as Part of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 18 T 2S R8E Canton Township Wayne County Michigan described as Commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 18, thence N00° 08 52 E 412 50 feet (described as N 00° 07 50 E) Along the North/South 1/4 line of said Section 18 said line also being the centerline of Ridge Road to the Point of Beginning, thence continuing N 00° 08 52 E 66 85 feet, thence N 30° 45 01 E 809 43 feet (described as N 30° 42 00 E) Along the centerline of said Ridge Road, thence S 89° 57 22 E 913 82 feet, thence S 00° 04 27 E 855 04 feet (described as S 00° 02 30 E), thence N 89° 32 10 W 801 21 feet, thence N 00° 08 52 E 82 50 feet (described as N 00° 07 50 E), and thence N 89° 32 10 W 528 00 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 21 62 acres of land, more or less. Subject to the rights of the public over the westerly part for Ridge Road. Also subject to any and all easements or rights of way of record, if any.

EXHIBIT B

PARCEL 072 99 0015 000 (18T2B) PART OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 18, TOWN 2 SOUTH RANGE 8 EAST, CANTON TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN AS RECORDED FROM TAX ASSESSOR'S RECORDS SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH A WATER MAIN EASEMENT DESCRIBED AS COMMENCING AT THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 18 TOWN 2 SOUTH RANGE 8 EAST, CANTON TOWNSHIP, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, THENCE ALONG THE EAST WEST 1/4 LINE OF SECTION 18 AND THE CENTERLINE OF SALTZ ROAD N89° 46 30 W 1369 44 FEET TO THE CENTERLINE OF RIDGE ROAD, THENCE ALONG THE CENTERLINE OF RIDGE ROAD S30° 50 00 W 953 45 FEET, THENCE S30° 42 10 W 701 56 FEET, THENCE S58° 17 50 E 33 00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE N89° 54 13 E 11 64 FEET, THENCE S30° 42 10 W 738 36 FEET, THENCE S08° 52 31 W 37 77 FEET, THENCE N86° 54 13 E 21 12, THENCE N19° 21 23 E 41 66, THENCE N30° 42 10 E 734 79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

GENERAL CALENDAR:

Item 1. 2003 Audit Presentation. Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to accept the 2003 financial reports for the Charter Township of Canton. Motion carried unanimously.

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Rochester Hills

The Rochester Hills Museum Garden Tour 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday June 17. Sponsored by the museum and the Rochester Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association.

ments will be served. A garden art and craft show and a container garden show sponsored by the Paint Creek Garden Club will take place at the Rochester Hills Environmental Education Center. The 16 acres of gardens and grounds at the Rochester Hills Museum will be open and tours of the 1840 Van Hoosen Farmhouse will be available. Visitors will be able to shop at the garden tour sponsor stores including The Chapman House

Silk Warehouse and The Peppertree. Tickets are \$12. Lunch will be available for an additional fee of \$14. The lunch catered by The Victorian Rose will be served in a take home garden basket 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Masonic Temple in downtown Rochester. Diners may eat at the Masonic Temple or in the gardens at The Chapman House. Silk Warehouse or The Peppertree or take the lunch home. For information call the

museum at (248) 656 4663. Plymouth: Flowers are Forever. The Trailwood Garden Club's ninth annual garden walk noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday June 22 rain or shine. Five private gardens and the gardens at St. John's Conference Center will be showcased. Garden elements will include an in-ground pool, terracing, waterfalls and a labyrinth.

Complimentary refreshments a raffle and a sale of garden related items made by club members will be featured. Tickets are \$7 in advance \$8 the day of the walk. Tickets are available from garden club members and at Backyard Birds and Saxton's Garden Center both in Plymouth. For information call Marilyn Detmer at (734) 454 4625. Milford: The Milford Garden Club's ninth annu

al Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Friday June 25. Tickets are \$8 in advance \$10 on the day of the event. Optional luncheon in Milford Park is \$8 advance sales only. Tickets can be bought at these Milford locations: Read Between the Lines, Village Peddler, Backyard Birds and Curves or by calling (248) 685 1687 or (248) 685 7186.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JUNE 8, 2004

Item 2. Consider Ruehr Rezoning. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Rezoning Request of Mary Ann and Frederick Ruehr

WHEREAS the petitioner has requested approximately 7.68 acres of land located north of Warren Road between Beck and Ridge Roads be rezoned from RR, Rural Residential to R2 Single Family Residential District, and, WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan, and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL and the Wayne County Planning Department made no recommendation on the request. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by property tax EDP #019 99 0020 000 from RR, Rural Residential to R2 Single Family Residential.

Item 3. Consider Site Plan for Telecom Credit Union Addition. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following resolution as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Site Plan for Telecom Credit Union Addition

WHEREAS the Project Sponsor, Mr. Bruce Johnson, has requested site plan approval for Telecom Credit Union Addition to be located on Warren Road between Sheldon and Morton Taylor Roads, identified as tax EDP #012 99 0001 006, and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant site plan approval, as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. WHEREAS remove the dumpster from the requirements of the site plan. NOW

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner Mr. Bruce Johnson, to approve the site plan for the proposed Telecom Credit Union Addition subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Item 4. Consider Preliminary Site Plan for Ashton Woods Site Condominiums. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Preliminary Site Plan for Ashton Woods Site Condominiums. WHEREAS the Project Sponsor, Mr. Danny Veri, has requested preliminary site plan approval for Ashton Woods Site Condominiums to be located on Saltz Road between Canton Center and Beck Roads, identified as tax EDP#064 99 0003 000 064-99 0004 000 and part of 064 99 0006 000, and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to approve the request to grant preliminary site plan approval as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner Mr. Danny Veri, to approve the site plan for the proposed Ashton Woods Site Condominiums subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff, as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Item 5. Approve Election Equipment Service Agreement, Gems Software License Fee and Programming Fees for the Primary/General Elections. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the payment to Fidar Election Company 6255 Technology Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49009 \$7,500 (account #101 191 818 000) for the annual equipment maintenance agreement for 2004, \$3,500 (account #101 191 818 0000) for the Gems Software License Fee, \$11,750 (account #101 191 818 000) programming fees for the Primary Election (\$235 00 per precinct) and \$13 500 (account #101 191 818 0000) programming fees for the General Election (\$270 00 per precinct) and authorized the Clerk to sign the agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

FIDLAR EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT

The EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT provides for Fidar to perform full and complete repair and annual maintenance or provide replacement for the Accu Vote Ballot Tabulator at its option, upon evidence of equipment failure. When special or unusual conditions exist Fidar will provide a "loaner" Accu Vote Ballot Tabulator to the Customer to be used for election activity until full and complete repairs have been completed on the original malfunctioning unit, or a replacement decision has been reached by the company. In all cases the Customer will return the malfunctioning unit to Fidar upon delivery and receipt of the "loaner" equipment. Shipping charges, in all cases shall be the responsibility of the Customer. The EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT does not include the internal 12v battery, memory card battery or clock chip. The cost of the EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT is \$150 per unit per year (subject to change on January 1 of subsequent years). The Customer may purchase the EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT immediately upon the expiration of the initial warranty period or at any time thereafter. The EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT will remain in full force and effect as long as the Customer continues to pay the annual per unit fee. The EQUIPMENT SERVICE AGREEMENT will not apply if the Accu-Vote Tabulator has been damaged by accident abuse, improper use or as a result of service modification by anyone other than Fidar or its authorized agent or service representative. Municipality Charter Township of Canton County Wayne Effective Date January 1 2004 until failure to renew by non payment of annual fee or written notice of termination of agreement. Number of Accu Vote Tabulators 50 @ \$150 per unit = total amount \$7,500 00. Fidar Election Company William R. Barrett Vice President Sales 05/26/04 Canton Township, MI Terry G. Bennett Township Clerk.

Item 6. Approve Flexible Staffing Program. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzaak to approve the attached Non Union Employees Family and Medical Leave Flexible Staff Program Policy. Ayes Bennett, Burdzaak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Yack Zarbo, Nays Shefferly. Motion carried.

CANTON FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE HUMAN RESOURCES POLICY

HR 06 Page 5 of 8 April 2, 2004

I. PURPOSE This policy allows departmental staffing flexibility when a non union employee has a qualifying event under the Family And Medical Leave Act and when it is mutually beneficial to the township and the employee.

II. PROCEDURES 1. When a non union employee has a qualifying event under the Family And Medical Leave Act (FMLA), a department director or elected official may, at his/her sole discretion, with the concurrence of the township supervisor, and upon notification to Human Resources permit the employee to work a reduced schedule for a period of up to one year from the date of the qualifying event.

2. This approval is not automatic. The approval will be based upon the nature of the effected position work history of the employee and the current work related circumstances at the time the request is made. This approval may be rescinded at anytime by the director/elected official or the supervisor upon written notice to the employee. The reason(s) for granting or denying approval must be documented in writing and submitted to Human Resources.

3. A director/elected official may hire a temporary employee to assist in coverage during this period without additional township board approval, provided that the total amount paid to the temporary

position and the existing position does not exceed the full time salary of the existing position. The temporary position must be eliminated within 10 business days after the full time employee's return to normal work status.

4. An effected employee will be paid an amount equal to the hours worked multiplied by his/her hourly rate.

5. The work schedule will be set by the director/elected official based upon the specific circumstances.

6. An employee must work in the office at least 20 hours per pay period to qualify for the program. There will be no pay for work at home.

7. Health benefits will continue to be provided during this period if an employee works a minimum of 40 hours per pay period. No other fringe benefits will be granted during the term of this program.

8. No benefits will be paid to any temporary positions used to augment staffing.

Item 7. First Reading Amendment to Ordinance, Industrial Waste Control and Industrial Surcharge Rates. Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to introduce table and publish on June 17, 2004 the amendment to the Water Supply and Sewer System Ordinance Chapter 74 Utilities, Section 74 83 Schedule of Rates and Charges. The Second Reading of the ordinance amendment will be held on June 22, 2004. The proposed changes adjust the City of Detroit Water & Sewerage Department Industrial Waste Control (IWC) service charge and Industrial Surcharge (for specific customers) pass through cost for all commercial and industrial sewer users effective July 1, 2004. Motion carried unanimously.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 74 UTILITIES SECTION 74-83. SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 74 UTILITIES, ARTICLE II TOWNSHIP WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS, DIVISION 2. FINANCIAL MATTERS, SUBDIVISION II. RATES AND CHARGES, SECTION 74-83. SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, ORDINANCE NO. _____ PROVIDING FOR A NEW WATER CONSTRUCTION CHARGE; PROVIDING FOR A NEW WATER CONNECTION APPLICATION TAP CHARGE; PROVIDING FOR A NEW CHARGE FOR FIRE LINE SYSTEM BY-PASS METER AND TOWNSHIP INSPECTION; PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL WASTE CHARGE (IWC) RATES; PROVIDING FOR NEW INDUSTRIAL SURCHARGE RATES; PROVIDING FOR THE SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION AND PENALTY; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE. THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT(S) TO SECTION 74-83. SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES. Chapter 74 Utilities Article II Township Water and Sewer Systems, Division 2 Financial Matters Subdivision II Rates and Charges, Section 74 83 Schedule of Rates and Charges of The Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton, Ordinance No. _____ is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Section 74-83. SCHEDULE OF RATES AND CHARGES.

(a) WATER RATES AND CHARGES. Water rates and charges shall be as follows:

- (1) Consumption Rate \$2.26 per 1,000 gallons
(2) Water Capital Charge
a. Minimum Capital Charge \$1,000.00
b. Per Unit Capital Charge \$1,000.00
(3) Water Construction Charges
a. Minimum Water Construction Charge \$150.00
b. Per REU Construction Charge \$150.00
(4) Water Front Footage Charge \$15.00 per foot of property service by the water line
(5) Water Connection Township Taps
a. 1 inch tap \$ 950.00
b. 2 inch tap \$2,500.00 (plus \$12.00 per lineal (for 1 foot to 15 foot) foot over 15 foot)
c. Over 2 inch line will be installed at a cost approved by the Township Board
(6) Water Connection Applicant Taps
2 inch taps \$1,750.00
3 inch taps \$2,550.00
4 inch taps \$3,900.00
6 inch taps \$6,600.00
2 inch tap for irrigation system \$ 850.00
(7) There shall be installed on all fire line systems a detector check and a 3/4 inch by pass meter. The 3/4 inch by pass meter shall be purchased from and inspected by the Township and installed by the Owner. The charge for the 3/4 inch by pass meter and Township inspection shall be \$300.00

(b) SEWER RATES AND CHARGES. Sewer rates and charges shall be as follows:

- (1) Sewage Treatment Rate \$3.15 per 1,000 gallons of the water used or per 1,000 gallons of metered sewage flow
(2) Minimum Sewage Bill
a. Minimum sewage disposal bill if connected to the Township water system, per reading cycle \$15.75
b. Minimum sewage disposal bill if not connected to Township water system per quarterly reading cycle \$30.00 per REU
c. Minimum sewage disposal bill if not connected to Township water system per bimonthly reading cycle \$20.00 per REU
(3) Sewer Capital Charge
a. Minimum \$3,500.00
b. Per REU Capital Charge \$3,500.00
(4) Sewer Front Footage Charge \$20.00 per front foot of property serviced by the sewer line
(5) Connection Charge \$500.00
(6) Inspection fee \$50.00
(7) Industrial Waste Charge (IWC) rates

Table with 3 columns: Meter Size (inches), Rates \$/month. Rows range from 1/2 inch to 48 inches.

The following Industrial Surcharges will be charged when billed to the Township by the Detroit Water and Sewer Department

- a. Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) in excess of 275 mg/l 0.166
b. Total Suspended Solids (TSS) in excess of 350 mg/l 0.242
c. Phosphorus (P) in excess of 12 mg/l 3.072
d. Fats, Oils & Grease (FOG) in excess of 100 mg/l 0.088

SECTION 2. SAVINGS OF ALL PENDING PROCEEDINGS AND BALANCE OF THE ORDINANCE.

The balance of the Code of Ordinances, except as herein amended, shall remain in full force and effect. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this amendatory Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law enforced when they are commenced. This amendatory Ordinance shall not be construed to affect any right pending before the effective date of this amendatory Ordinance.

SECTION 3. VIOLATION AND PENALTY.

Any person, corporation, partnership or any other legal entity who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance or any of the regulations adopted in pursuance thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof may be fined not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days or both, in the discretion of the Court.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction such portion shall be deemed a separate distinct and independent provision, and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

SECTION 5. CONSTRUCTION OF ORDINANCE.

This Ordinance shall be liberally construed in such manner as to best effectuate its purpose. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed if possible in such manner as to make such provisions compatible and consistent with the provisions of all existing Ordinances of the Township and all amendments thereto.

SECTION 6. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING SECTIONS.

Portions of Section 74 83 of the Code of Ordinances of the Charter Township of Canton are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this amendatory Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance becomes effective on the ____ day of _____, 2004 after publication of the second reading.

This Ordinance was duly adopted and/or considered by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular Board meeting called on the ____ day of _____, 2004 and was ordered given publication in the manner required by law.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON By TERRY BENNETT Its Clerk Introduced Published Adopted Effective Upon Publication

Item 9. Consider Purchase of Two Richo Aficio 1035 Copiers. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly, to approve a Purchase Order in the amount of \$13,774 (account # 402 302 975 0000) to IKON Office Solutions for the purchase of two (2) Richo Aficio 1035 copiers under the State of Michigan Bid. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 10. Request for Lease Equipment for Pheasant Run Golf Club. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdzaak, to authorize the lease of equipment (\$24,997.66 per year for four (4) years) for Pheasant Run Golf Club to WF Miller Co. P.O. Box 605 Novi MI 48376 the exclusive Jacobsen dealer in Wayne County with expense charged to Pheasant Run Golf Club Account #586 756 983 0000 capital equipment and to authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the lease on behalf of the Township. Motion carried unanimously. One (1) Jacobsen Green King VI Greens Mower \$17,200.00 grooved machine steel rollers on board backlapping kit, 2 sets of 11 blade cutting reels. This unit will replace a 1995 Jacobsen Greens King IV One (1) Jacobsen LF-3400 Fairway Mower \$27,084.00 31 H P Kubota diesel engine 7 blade reels with steel front rollers. This unit will replace a 1995 Toro 5100 fairway mower One (1) Cushman Turf-Truckster model 898628 \$13,878.00 32 H P Suzuki engine, automatic transmission, 60 hydraulic dump box on tow hitch. This unit will replace a 1995 Cushman Turf Truckster One (1) Jacobsen AR-5 Fine Cut Rotary Mower \$33,424.00 60 H P Kubota diesel engine 4 wheel drive, Five (5) twenty three inch mower decks, mulching or rear discharge feature. This unit will replace a 1995 Jacobsen 5111 rotary mower One (1) Lely Model 1250 Spreader \$ 2,200.00 1323 lb Capacity fertilizer spreader, 3 point hitch, PTO driven. This unit will replace a 1995 Lely spreader.

Item 11. Award Bid to Purchase Electric Scissor Lift for Village Theater Performing Arts Center. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to award the bid for an Electric Scissor Lift for the Village Theater to United Rentals, Inc. 13461 Huron River Dr., Romulus, MI 48174, in the amount of \$12,215 to be paid from Account No. 402 302 975 5000 Performing Arts Capital Outlay Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 12. Award Purchase of Softballs. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to award the purchase for 310 dozen 12 and 10 dozen 11 softballs to Worth Sports, 1915 Wendell Lima, OH 45805 in the amount of \$9,264.00 to be paid from account no. 101 755 740 0000 Canton Softball Center Operating Fund. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 13. Award Contract for Engineering Investigative Services of Summit on the Park. Motion by Bennett, supported by Shefferly to award contract for engineering investigative services of Summit on the Park to NTH Consultants, Inc., 480 Ford Field 2000 Brush St. Detroit, MI 48226 in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00 to be paid from Account No. 208-757 931 0000 Maintenance and Repair of Buildings and Account Number 230-250 803 0000 Contracted Services (Cable Television). Motion carried unanimously.

Item 14. Request to Purchase Furniture for the Performing Arts Center. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to authorize the purchase of office furniture for the Performing Arts Center to Interior Environments 26911 Northwestern Highway, Suite 145, Southfield MI 48034 in the amount \$15,256.78 plus \$1,750 installation for a total cost of \$17,006.78. The expense will be charged to account no. 402 302 975 6000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 15. Request to Purchase Ticket Software Program for Performing Arts Center. Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter, to authorize the purchase of WinTix 3 ticket software from the Box Office Guys P.O. Box 161 Monterey CA 93942 in the amount of \$7,276.05 and to charge the expense to the construction budget, account number 402 302 975 6000. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 16. Award Bid for Legal Publications. Motion by Bennett, supported by ** to award the bid for the Charter Township of Canton's legal publications to The Observer and Eccentric Newspaper at \$5.80 per column inch and classified advertisement will be \$39.43/\$44.32 per column inch and designate the Canton Observer as the legal newspaper of the Charter Township of Canton. The contract will run from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2006 and be charged to account number 101 200 900 0000. Motion carried unanimously. OTHER: Tuesday, June 15 2004, Study Session with joint meeting with Planning Commission on Community Metering Study.

Director Conklin stated it will be the last meeting before Liberty Fest, June 17, 18 19 with expanded additions 2 stages Lumber Jack Contest and the Parade which begins in Meyer's parking lot at 10 a.m. on Saturday June 19, 2004. ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to adjourn the open meeting and return to closed session at 9:53 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton Michigan 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton.mi.org after Board approval.



Grill snapper, then top with a mango, shrimp and chile salsa

COMPLETE SEAFOOD

Step-by-step seafood

Many home cooks love seafood, but they all too often limit themselves to salmon, shrimp and scallops

Now comes a cookbook for the ambitious home cook Rick Stein's *Complete Seafood*, Ten Speed Press, \$40

Stein, a PBS cooking show host and owner of the Seafood Restaurant and Padstow Seafood School in England, gives readers a step-by-step manual for fish preparation

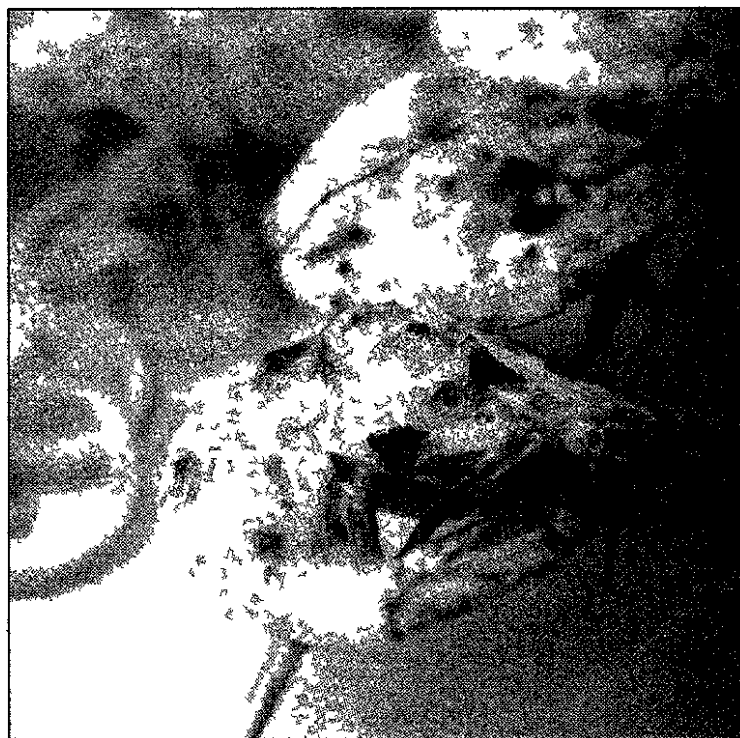
In fact, Stein uses the first four chapters to give techniques, such as scaling and preparing a fish for the grill. Some of the techniques are as common as butterflying raw shrimp for broiling to the more complex creation of fish quenelles, a mixture of bread, milk, egg, fish pieces

Want to learn how to cut escalopes from a salmon fillet or prepare a pave of salmon? The book covers that

Stein highlights the more robust flavors, too, such as Scandinavian cure for salmon and salting fresh cod

More than 150 recipes are included, ranging from traditional shrimp jambalaya and Maryland crab cakes, to broiled mussels with pesto and grilled snapper with a mango, shrimp and chile salsa

Readers are treated to such classics as bouillabaisse and the traditional fish and chips. Stein shows ambition in the selections of pan-grilled tuna salad with guacamole



PLEASE SEE SEAFOOD, D3 Spice up shrimp, tandoori style

Side dish

More fruit, please

Chiquita has decided to get into the cut fruit business.

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Speaking of fruit, Chiquita also polled 1,300 women between the ages of 25 and 54 and 100 of them in the Detroit area, about their fruit eating habits and preferences.

Six out of 10 ate fruit for the taste, while 4 in 10 ate it for the health benefits. More than 6 in 10 enjoy fruit for between-meal snacks at home, and 5 in 10 serve it when entertaining.

Spillage and inconvenience were the top reasons selected for not eating more fruit among those who think they should eat more fruit.

Edy's has contest

Edy's Grand Ice Cream is asking ice cream fans to dream up and decorate the most indispensable tools of summer - an ice cream spoon.

Ice cream lovers can dig into Edy's De-LIGHT-ful Spoon Contest by creating a one-of-a-kind spoon that reflects their ice cream style. The creators of the winning spoon designs will join John Harrison, Edy's official ice cream taster, on an ice cream getaway.

The contest is open to all ages - with a kids division aged 6-14 and an adults division aged 15 and up. Categories are the Lightest Spoon (this spoon might be covered in feathers or sports wings), Richest Spoon (this spoon is covered with gold, silver and other jewels) and the Most Unbelievable Spoon (decorate your spoon in a dazzling and outrageous design).

Use any decorating items you'd like, from baubles and beads to leather or lace, to create an extraordinary spoon. Contestants must submit their actual spoon (photos will not be accepted) and an official entry form to Edy's De-LIGHT-ful Spoon Contest, 5929 College Avenue, Oakland, CA 94618. Entries must be postmarked by Sept. 15. Complete contest rules and official entry forms are available at www.Edys.com or by calling (888) 590-3397.

Edy's will select two winning entries from each of the three categories based on the creativity, fit with the chosen category and originality of the spoons. Winners will be notified the first week in October.

Six winners will travel with a guest of their choosing on an all-expenses paid trip to an Edy's Ice Cream Factory in Union City, Calif. in April 2005 where they will join John Harrison and put their taste buds to the test on an unbelievable amount of ice cream.

Fruit au gratin has a fresh and easy flair

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fresh fruit is a delight to eat as is, but sometimes a little dressing up can give a certain flair to a simple dessert.

This quick recipe calls for broiling a combination of banana and grapes that have been topped with sour cream and brown sugar, or with an alternative topping of your choice, perhaps flavored with rum, or orange liqueur, or a chocolate or caramel sauce. Use red, green or black grapes in any combination desired.

A gratin is usually a dish topped with cheese or bread crumbs, then broiled or baked until brown on top. The term is borrowed here for this dessert with a family resemblance, briefly broiled in small heat-

proof dishes. Disposable aluminum tart pans (4 1/2-inch diameter) may be used if gratin dishes are not available.

QUICK BANANA GRAPE GRATIN

- 2 firm ripe bananas sliced into 1/4 inch rounds
- 1 1/2 cups halved seedless grapes
- 1/4 cup dairy sour cream
- 3 tablespoons packed brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons dark rum (see note)
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Preheat broiler while preparing recipe.

Mix bananas, grapes, sour cream, 1 tablespoon brown sugar, and rum until fruits are coated with sour cream mixture. Divide mixture among four small (1- to 1 1/2-cup) gratin dishes. Combine

remaining brown sugar and cinnamon, sprinkle over tops of fruit mixture (see note). Place gratin dishes on baking sheet. Place about 4 inches from heat and broil 1 1/2 to 2 minutes or until sugar melts and caramelizes.

Makes 4 servings

Note: One teaspoon vanilla extract may be substituted for rum. To sprinkle cinnamon sugar evenly over tops of fruit, place in small strainer and shake gently over fruit.

Variations: Orange-, almond- or chocolate-flavor liqueur may be substituted for the rum. Caramel or chocolate sauce may be drizzled over top in place of brown sugar. Broil 2 to 3 minutes or until glaze begins to bubble.

Nutrition information per serving: 155 cal, 1 g pro, 3 g fat, 28 g carbo, 6 mg chol, 2 g fiber, 12 mg sodium.

Cook up pasta salad for cookout; follow meal with cool pops

Hosting a block party is a great way to take advantage of summer's irresistible offerings of warm weather, the smell of barbecue and the taste of sun-kissed foods. While the sunshine allows for an enjoyable neighborhood gathering of games and good will, it also provides the opportunity to share favorite recipes.

You can enjoy your favorite summer fare while still maintaining a healthy diet by incorporating the season's freshest fruits and vegetables.

Sargento offers a wealth of recipes that deliver on both taste and nutrition, including popular Sunshine Pasta Salad. With its colorful array of vegetables and fruits - carrots, green peppers, dried apricots and raisins - and a dressing infused with lemon juice, paprika and the sweetness of honey, this easy-to-make, crowd-pleasing recipe is a great dish to pass among hungry neighbors.

Don't forget about dessert: Sargento's Frozen Strawberry Cream Pops, packed with fresh strawberries and Ricotta cheese, are the perfect, portable, post-meal refreshers. Grab the Pops out of the cooler for a burst of sweet, juicy, and creamy flavors that satisfy the sweet-tooth in all.

Complement light and refreshing salads and

desserts with heartier summertime staples, such as traditional hotdogs, chicken breasts or Sargento Burgers featuring your favorite Sargento sliced cheeses melted atop a juicy beef, turkey or veggie patty.

Visit sargento.com to access additional light and easy-to-make summer favorites that are sure to be a neighborhood hit at your block party.

Sargento Foods Inc., based in Plymouth, Wis., is a leading manufacturer, packager and marketer of natural shredded, sliced and snack cheese, cheese appetizers, ingredients and sauces.

SUNSHINE PASTA SALAD

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons chopped green onion
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon paprika
- 2 cups rotini cooked and drained
- 1 cup shredded carrots
- 1/2 cup chopped dried apricots or golden raisins
- 1/2 cup diced green bell pepper
- 1 1/2 cups (6 ounces) mild cheddar shredded cheese

Combine mayonnaise, green onion, honey, lemon juice and paprika in large bowl.

Add pasta, carrots, apricots and bell pepper, toss lightly. Refrigerate 2 hours or longer.

Stir in cheese just before serving. Serves 6.

Nutrition Information serving size, 127 g, calories, 295, protein 10 g, carbohydrate, 28 g, dietary fiber, 2 g, total fat, 16.2 g, saturated fat, 6.5 g, monounsaturated fat, 4.5 g, polyunsaturated fat, 3.9 g.

FROZEN STRAWBERRY CREAM POPS

- 1 pint (12 ounces) fresh strawberries hulled
- 2 cups (15 ounces) ricotta cheese
- 1/2 cup sugar or to taste
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

Puree strawberries in a blender, food processor or with an electric mixer. Add cheese, sugar and lemon juice, blend or process 2 minutes.

Pour into freezer pop molds or 3 ounce plastic coated cups. Cover with pop mold tops or foil. Insert wooden sticks. Freeze 3 hours or until firm.

Substitution: In place of fresh, 2 cups (12 ounces) frozen unsweetened strawberries, thawed, may be used for fresh. Variation: For Strawberry-Chocolate Cream Pops, stir 1/2 cup mini chocolate chips into cheese mixture before freezing. Makes 12 pops.

Nutrition Information serving size, 65 g, calories, 75, protein, 4 g, carbohydrate 8 g, dietary fiber 0 g, total fat, 3.5 g, saturated fat, 2.3 g, monounsaturated fat, 0.9 g, polyunsaturated fat, 0.2 g.

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Halibut poached in olive oil with cucumber and dill

HALIBUT POACHED IN OLIVE OIL WITH CUCUMBER AND DILL

- 2 1/2 cups (600 ml) olive oil
- 4 (6 ounces/175 g) pieces of thick halibut fillet skinned
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
- 1 large cucumber peeled and thinly sliced
- 1 tablespoon chopped dill plus a few sprigs for garnish
- 2 teaspoons white wine vinegar
- Sea salt

Pour a thin layer of the olive oil into a pan just large enough to hold the pieces of halibut side by side. Season the fish on both sides with a little salt, put them in the pan, and pour the rest of the oil over them - it should just cover the fish. Very slowly heat the oil to 130-140 °F (55-60 °C), agitating it with a spatula now and then so that it heats evenly.

Take the pan off the heat and leave it somewhere warm on top of the stove for 15 minutes so the fish can poach gently in the oil. The temperature should remain at 130-140 °F (55-60 °C), if necessary, keep taking the pan on and off a low heat to maintain this temperature.

Shortly before the fish is ready, heat the extra virgin olive oil in a large frying pan. Add the cucumber slices and toss over a medium heat for 1 minute. Add the dill, vinegar, and a little salt.

To serve, divide the cucumber among four serving plates. Carefully lift the fish out of the oil, letting the excess drain off, and set it on top of the cucumber. Pour the oil into a cup leaving behind the juices from the fish, which will have settled to the bottom of the pan. Spoon these juices around the edge of each plate, sprinkle the fish with a few sea salt flakes, and garnish with a sprig of fresh

dill Serves 4

TANDOORI SHRIMP

- 32 raw large shrimp in shell
- Lemon Chile Marinade
- 1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon salt
- juice of 1 lemon
- Tandoori Masala Paste
- 1 1/2 tablespoons fennel seeds
- 1 tablespoon coriander seeds
- 1 tablespoon cumin seeds
- 1 ounce (25 g) fresh ginger roughly chopped
- 6 garlic cloves chopped
- 4 medium hot red chile peppers seeded and roughly chopped
- 2 teaspoons paprika
- 1 teaspoon turmeric powder
- juice of 1 lemon
- 1 1/2 tablespoons cold water
- 3/4 cup (175 g) thick plain yogurt
- Katthumber Salad
- 3 tomatoes halved and thinly sliced
- 1 medium red onion halved and thinly sliced
- 2 tablespoons roughly chopped cilantro
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cumin
- large pinch of cayenne pepper
- 1 tablespoon white wine vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

If you are grilling the shrimp, prepare and light the charcoal fire now. Mix together the ingredients for the lemon chile marmade. Make three small slits in either side of each shrimp, between the shell segments, to allow the marmade to penetrate. Put the shrimp and marmade into a bowl, toss together well, and set aside for 20 minutes.

For the tandoori masala paste, put the fennel seeds, coriander seeds and cumin seeds together in a spice grinder or mortar and grind to a fine powder. Tip the spices into a food processor, add

the rest of the masala paste ingredients, and blend until smooth. Stir the paste into the yogurt, then stir this into the shrimp. Leave for another 20 minutes.

If you are broiling the shrimp preheat the broiler. Thread the shrimp onto metal soaked bamboo skewers, piercing them just behind the head and through the tail. Cook them on the grill or under the broiler, about 4 inches from heat, for about 2 minutes on each side.

While the shrimp are cooking, layer the ingredients for the salad in a shallow dish. Serve the shrimp with the salad and some warm naan bread. Serves 4.

GRILLED SNAPPER WITH A MANGO, SHRIMP, AND CHILE SALSA

- 4 (6 ounce/175 g) pieces of unskinned snapper fillet
- extra virgin olive oil
- salt and freshly ground black pepper
- cilantro sprigs for garnish
- Salsa
- 2 large medium hot red chile peppers
- 4 ounces (100 g) peeled cooked tiger shrimp thickly sliced
- 4 green onions thinly sliced
- 1 small garlic clove minced
- 1 ripe but firm avocado peeled and cut into small dice
- 1/2 ripe but firm mango peeled and cut into small dice
- juice of 1 lime
- pinch of salt

If you are using a charcoal grill, prepare and light it 30 to 40 minutes before you want to cook the fish.

For the salsa, cut the chiles in half lengthwise and scrape out the seeds with the tip of a small knife, leave the ribs behind to give the salsa a little more heat. Cut the chiles across into thin slices. Then simply mix all the salsa ingredients together.

If you are not cooking the fish over charcoal, put a ridged cast-iron grill pan over a high heat (or preheat the broiler). Brush the snapper fillets on both sides with olive oil and season well with salt and pepper. Cut each one into three, slightly on the diagonal.

Cook the pieces of snapper, either skin-side down on the grill or grill pan, or skin-side up under the broiler, for three to four minutes.

To serve, spoon the salsa onto four plates and arrange the grilled strips of fish on top. Drizzle a little oil around the edge of the plates and garnish with cilantro sprigs.

Alternative fish: Red mullet, sea bass, bream or porgy, john dory, or gray or striped mullet. Serves 4.

SEAFOOD

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and seared tuna with rice noodle and cilantro salad. Ravioli of fresh crab features a simple filling of crabmeat, butter and pepper inside the pasta dough, flavored with parsley and lemon butter.

Complete Seafood may not be enjoyed by the kitchen novice or the cook that wants simple preparation of foods. The book highlights many fish that are difficult to find in this area, since the recipes are a compilation of world wide foods.

But if you love technique and teaching, the book shows exactly what you need to do. It's an excellent instructional tool.

Ever wonder what pollack and haddock look like? Does a monkfish really look like a monk, and who is John Dory

anyway? The book's glossary highlights photos of these fish.

A chapter also is dedicated to seafood families from grunthers and dogfish to mackerel and tuna. Stein writes that he did this because fish are notoriously mislabeled or sold by more than one name.

"So in order to understand what you are buying and to prepare and cook it properly, it is important to know about the fish themselves and the families into which they fall," he writes.

Complete Seafood also organizes fish from all over the world into groups, so you can check his notes for fish that can be cooked in similar ways. Thus, if you purchase a fish from the market, you can check the book for a similar recipe.

Stein's main focus is on the Mediterranean fish and oceanic catches that you see in the seafood section, but may

be too intimidated to tackle.

His notes give good information on such obscure fish as hake, popular among the Spanish, but not so much in the United States. Stein writes that hake "takes to butter or cream better than any other fish, except for turbot or brill."

"It is also rather good served cold with mayonnaise or sauce verte, an olive oil mayonnaise with spinach, arugula and herbs." The book has several lobster, clam, shrimp, sea bass, monkfish and char recipes.

With some of the recipes, Stein highlights alternative fish to use. For example, his braised salmon fillets can be used with steelhead or trout fillets.

The book works well as an informational guide to seafood and a good reference point for unfamiliar species you might see at the store, but don't know what to do with them.

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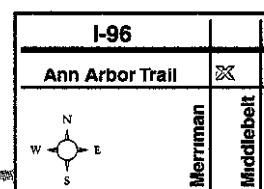
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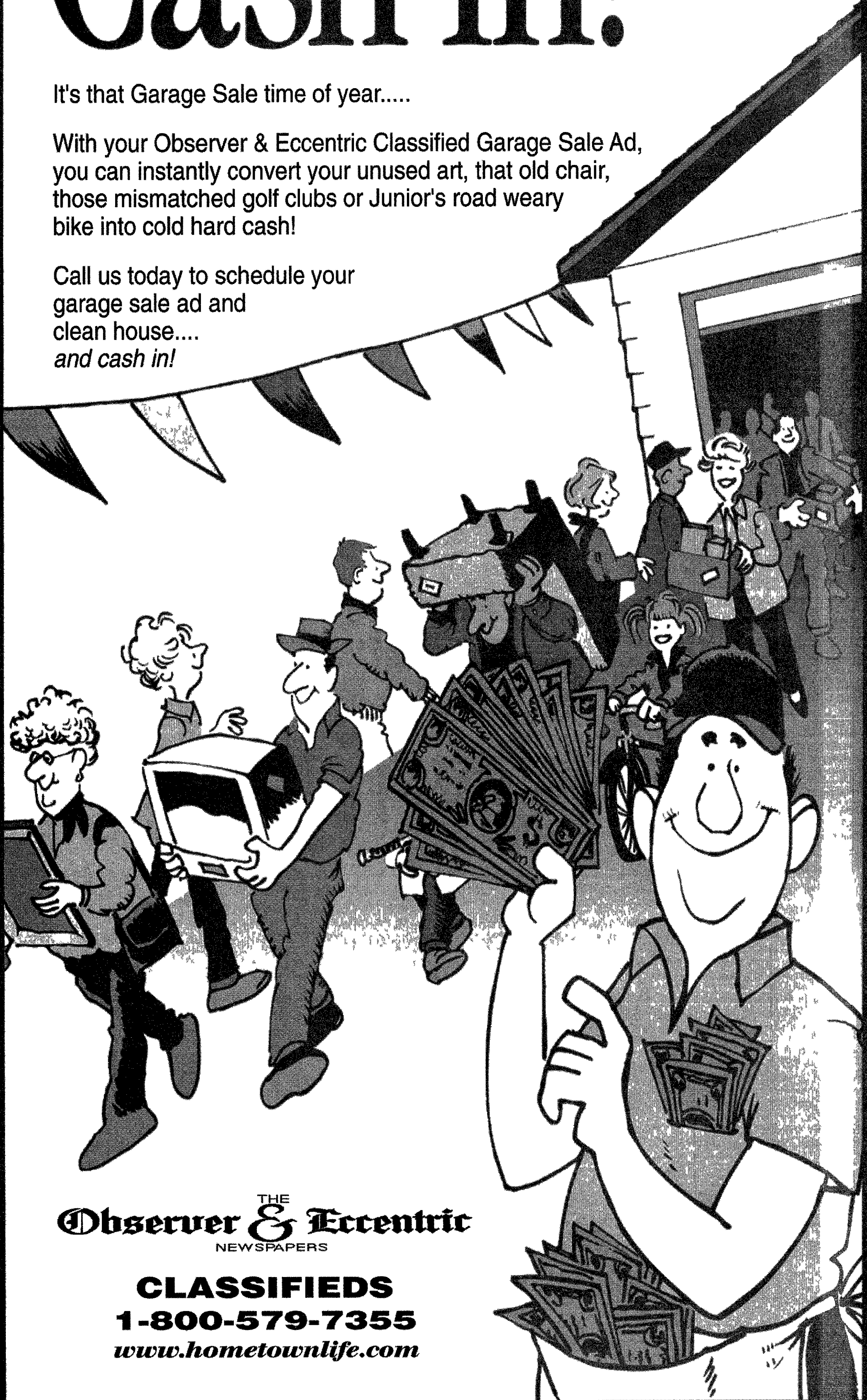
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Refreshing drink is healthy, too

Got juice? As far back as memory serves, orange juice has been heralded a magic bullet - full of Vitamin C, a cold-buster, and probably the drink Moms most often promote.

Then came grapefruit, apple, and more recently experts have honed in on cranberry and grape juice as healthful choices.

It seems as though a million and one juice concoctions are appearing on the grocer's shelf.

Now, the pomegranate is shedding its winter coat, and we can enjoy its unique essence all year around - as Pom Wonderful juice rears a lovable bottle.

Food Notes

Elaine Crossley

into gourmet food and drink recipes and seems to be quite the rage.

Pomegranates were first discovered about 3,000 B.C. at Jericho, then Mesopotamia and Egypt. Before the advent of agriculture, it grew in the wild and still does in some areas of the Middle East.

One of the first domesticated crops, along with grapes, figs, dates, and olives, experts report its migration path began in Persia, then to India, North Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Americas.

In mythology, the pomegranate symbolized re-birth. It was believed to have had mystical powers and medicinal value.

In ancient Egypt this majestic fruit was placed in King Tut's tomb as a symbol of re-birth. And later, it became a royal insignia - appearing on the coat of arms of Catherine of Aragon.

The Ottomans, with a passion for flowers and fruit, often used the pomegranate as a symbol in embroidery.

POM IS POP

These days, the "pom" word is popular. A local needlecraft group is named the Pomegranate Guild of Southeastern Michigan. And pomegranate scented candles can be found at Anthropologie in Birmingham.

Today's health authorities deem that fruits and veggies deep in color are good for us. Red grapes, green leafy spinach, and blueberries may help fend off disease, so it stands to reason that purplish-red pomegranates may also be of benefit.

Research shows they're rich in Vitamin C, flavanoids, potassium, and antioxidants - a modern scientific way of saying that ancient cultures may have been onto something. In the absence of the fruit itself, you want to try some flavorful "pom" juice - it's sweet, yet tart and tangy.

The Los Angeles-based company, Pom Wonderful, with farms in the San Joaquin Valley, is a leading pomegranate and juice producer in the United States. Trees take up to nine years to reach maturity and the company markets the fruit, which is seasonal from fall through winter.

The juice, however, is available year-round, and in fact, can add some new zest to spring food and drink recipes. Five juice choices are 100 percent pomegranate, or "pom" mixed with either cherry, blueberry, mango, or tangerine.

Fiona Posell, director of corporate communications of Pom Wonderful, says her company is the "front runner in pomegranate production."

"Ongoing studies are taking place world-wide at research institutes such as Technion in Haifa, Israel, UCLA, and UC

Davis," Posell said. "There is evidence that the pomegranate and its juice are highly nutritious - with antioxidants and heart health benefits."

HOT MARKET FOR COOL DRINK

Posell says the Detroit metro area is a "hot market" for pomegranate juice. It's sold at Whole Foods, Kroger's, Meyers, Farmer Jack's, Hiller's, and other independent stores. She suggests looking for it in the refrigerated or refrigerated produce areas.

When it comes to drink, pomegranate juice is "in." It provides blush color and sweetness as a top off to warm weather drinks such as lemonade or wine coolers.

A Pom Wonderful signature cocktail is the Pomtini - a pomegranate martini. Also, try the pom margarita, daiquiri, cosmopolitan or mimosa. Then, there's pom iced tea and a variety of non-alcoholic smoothies.

Pomegranate juice is sweeping its way through bars and restaurants. It's not only used in drinks, but also appetizers, soups, salads, sides, entrees, and desserts.

Jim Leonardo, chef at the City Cellar in Birmingham says, "Pomegranates are a breath of spring in the dead of winter, but the juice can be used any time of year."

"In season, we've offered a salad consisting of field greens, goat cheese, blood oranges and pomegranate seeds. We've also served an entree of grilled quail with a coriander rub and pomegranate juice reduction."

And the menu at Zinc Brasserie in West Bloomfield offers Duck a la Chinoise with pomegranate and cane sugar glaze. Pom Wonderful has created many of its own distinctive recipes. Check out its colorful Web site, www.pomwonderful.com.

Local pasta company makes the cut on the Food Network

Finally, pasta fans everywhere will be able to see for themselves how al dente pasta is made.

Al Dente Pasta Co. of Whitmore Lake will be featured on the Top 5 Pasta Sensations on the Food Network at 10 p.m. June 21.

Al Dente began back in 1981, when Americans still viewed their pasta as spaghetti. Al Dente founder, Monique Deschaine, recog-

nized that the "times they were a changin'." It was the beginning of what she refers to as the "Pasta Revolution."

Since then, pasta has become a household word and once exotic pesto and alfredo are familiar terms rolling off the tongues of pasta lovers everywhere. Specialty pasta has earned itself a permanent spot on the pantry shelf with the help of companies like Al

Dente who pioneered this segment of the market. Since 1981, the pasta-makers at Al Dente have been rolling out oodles of noodles. Among the 17 different flavors, you will find the traditional Egg and Spinach fettuccine, and the more exotic Squid Ink, Spicy Sesame and Wild Mushroom Pasta. Al Dente is located at 9815 Main St. in Whitmore Lake.

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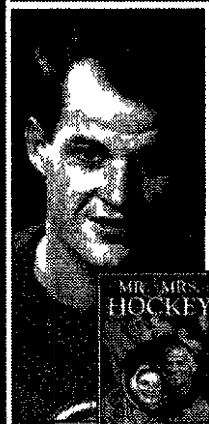
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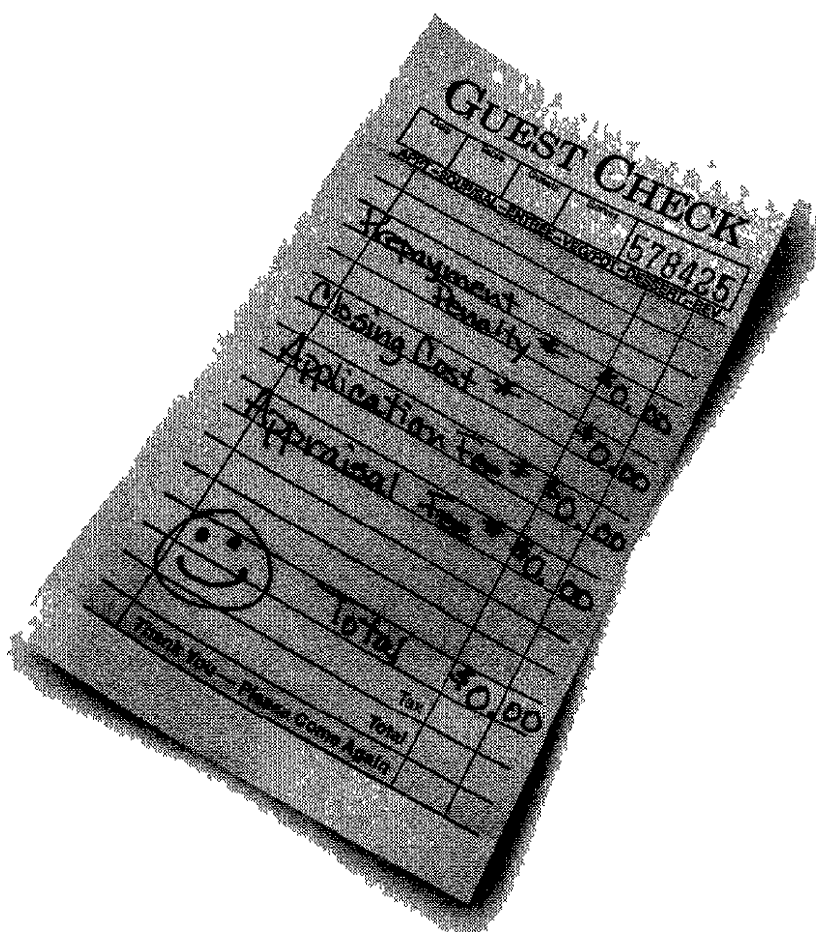
Spinach Lover, Vegetable Medley, Polynesian and Chicken Primavera will be offered by Buddy's Pizza. Buddy's has teamed up with Florine Mark to create a pizza with less butterfat by blending the original brick cheese with a no-fat cheese and weighing toppings to fit the Florine guidelines. A

whole wheat crust is available, too. A portion of proceeds will go to Florine Mark's charity, the Florine Mark-Ross Fund for ALS research.

The promotion is highlighted with a poster that includes Mark with "Detroit's Magnificent 7 FM Morning Radio Gals" which includes WRIF's Trudi Daniels, Magic's Linda Lanci, WOMC's Jackie Purtan, WNIC's Lisa Barry, WDRQ's Rachael Hunter, WKRK's Michelle McCormick and Coco from WJLB. The poster

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Breads, cakes are Townsend Hotel's many highlights

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world class eating and shopping experience. In searching for the best breads to satisfy the most discerning diners, we came across a baker by the name of Gerald Matthes of The Give Thanks Bakery & Cafe. It is his breads and

rolls that grace our retail bakery on Merrill Street.

The breads are handcrafted in the old way, beginning with naturally fermented starters and carefully working with pure ingredients to develop Artisan breads at their best.

Gerald used to be in marketing and advertising in England, New York and Michigan. In 1985, while on a business trip to his ancestral homeland in Germany, he searched for the bakery his great-great uncle had established. He came across the building, which was vacant and about to be torn down for development.

Gerald's interest in baking was awakened and he spent a lot of his spare time over the next 12 years learning and training in the world of Artisan bread-baking. He attended courses at The Culinary Institute of America in New York and California, and trained at The National Baking

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Center in Minneapolis under world-renowned baker, Didier Rosada.

In 1998, Gerald retired from his marketing and advertising career and devoted himself to his new passion. Several months later, The Give Thanks Bakery & Cafe opened in downtown Rochester. It is distinctly European, with a wide selection of breads, pastries, cakes, tortes and cookies. We at The Townsend are delighted Gerald found his true passion - and so will you, when you take your first bite of one of his Swiss multigrains, German ryes or French sourdoughs. It is a treat in store for you.

It is so often said man does not live by bread alone. We recognize this truth and that our customers and diners also have a sweet tooth that demands gratification. At The Townsend, we have the talented Taylor Brockenshire as our executive pastry chef, Pat Vasha, our cake baker/decorator, and Melissa Wise, who makes the wedding cakes.

With creativity and imagination, they produce delicious treats that are wonders to behold.

Pat loves to utilize what is in season, so, at present, she is enjoying working with peaches and cherries, painstakingly crafting tarts and other marvelous sweet delights. Her biscotti are awesome, too.

Recognizing that there is a growing interest in low fat and low-carb eating, she carefully researches and fine-tunes her creations to not only accommodate her customer's expectations but provide them with an unforgettable experience.

We are now in the midst of the wedding season. The excitement, the last-minute details, the happy couples! But, what would a wedding reception be without a beautiful wedding cake? A cake that has been lovingly designed and baked by Melissa adds the perfect touch.

Each cake she creates is an artistic masterpiece in itself. Melissa customizes each of her cakes to reflect the imagination of each bride. Her cakes not only enjoy pride of place at weddings here in the Hotel and can be purchased for celebrations outside the hotel but the "rave" is reserved for the exquisitely wonderful blend of flavors the cakes have.

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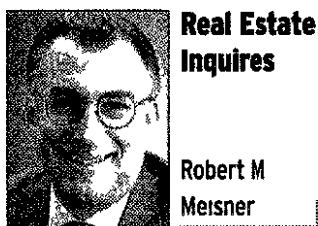
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Robert M. Melsner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track* second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@mich.com. This column should not be construed as legal advice.



Oh, the **horrors** of selling a house

Sales agent encounters drugs, murder, trash & mold

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Joan Downing isn't much for marijuana or trash, but she can handle murder. "What you don't see behind the front door is amazing," Downing said of the horrors that can pop up in the course of her work. She's a real estate sales agent with RE/MAX in the Hills, Bloomfield Hills.

But even if you don't see it right away, you still might know something's there, she said. "When I walked in, I could smell it," she said of the house where she'd just brought a house-hunter. "I told my customer to wait in the foyer."

"It was bricks of marijuana being broken down into small bags to sell. There were pounds and pounds of it, spread all over the dining room table. What could I do? I took my customer and left. I called the listing agent and said, 'Hello!'"

But what if this had been Downing's own listing? Or could it have been? Apparently not. She said she'll have nothing to do with a house that's the scene of ongoing criminal activity.

TRASHY

Trash? I've seen houses so totally trashed you can't even believe a human being would have lived there," she said. She remembers a house strewn with trash, garbage and many types of waste matter — front to back and side to side. On the less horrible level, she said,



"There are sellers who live in homes sadly in need of fumigation. To many of them, that's their way of life. As an agent, I put it as delicately as possible, asking them to clean up. Maybe not so delicately."

Opposed to drugs and debris, Downing has shown that she's able to get through a capital crime and close the sale.

"It was a house in a west side suburb," she said, recalling what she labels the No. 1 unusual event in her 25-year career of selling houses. "It was challenging to write the listing because the owner, a man in his 60s, would not let me see the master bedroom. He had the door locked and said he was painting the room while his wife was out of town. Turned out that's where he killed her. He got the carpeting out, but they found blood stains on the mattress."

"All the time I was in the house with him, the body was in the freezer in the laundry room off of the kitchen," she added.

But before a suspicious neighbor called the police, Downing said, she'd received an offer on the house. The news came out, but the young couple went ahead with the purchase.

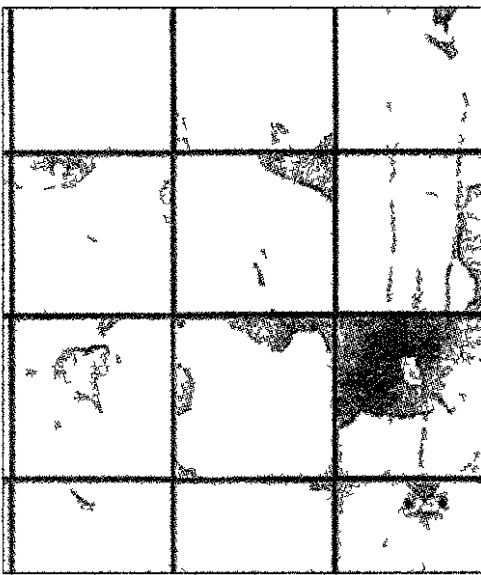
Well, if this couple wasn't stopped by what they learned about a house they wanted to buy, Jerry Henderson can tell you about a couple that found out too late about the house they bought.

MOLDY NIGHTMARE

It's a horror story with a cost in the hundreds of thousands, he said. "Mold," said Henderson, a sales agent with Quality GMAC Real Estate, Livonia. "The roof had leaked for some time and the mold had permeated the plasterboard and the floors."

The two-story house, in Northville, wasn't his company's listing, Henderson said, but the buyers had come to him for advice.

"They'd had a friend do an inspection, but he didn't go into the attic. They made the purchase, moved in for a day or two, got sick, had to move out. Nothing about mold on the seller's disclosure form. Now the buyers are stuck with the mortgage," he said. "There are lawsuits. It'll probably cost more to repair than they paid — almost \$400,000. I don't know what's going to happen. Tear it down or what. Can't live in it. The lesson is that you have a qualified inspector who knows what to look for."



Mortgage Bits

Timothy Phillips



Free credit reports on horizon

It's impossible to go online without some entity trying to sell you a copy of your credit report. Well, why pay for something you can get for free? According to a recent Federal Trade Commission ruling, the three nationwide consumer reporting agencies — Equifax, Experian and TransUnion — will soon be required to provide to consumers, upon request, a free copy of their credit report once every 12 months.

The FTC published a notice of proposed rulemaking March 19 in the Federal Register and accepted comments until April 16. The commission received more than 2,300 comments from consumers, consumer advocates, elected officials, industry members and trade associations before issuing its final ruling on the matter.

Under the new rule, these credit reporting agencies must establish a "centralized source" for accepting consumer requests for free credit reports, and it must include a dedicated Internet Web site, a toll-free telephone number and a postal address. This new centralized source will be implemented in cumulative stages, over a period of nine months, starting Dec. 1 on the West Coast and ending Sept. 1, 2005, on the East Coast. Michigan should be online by March 1, 2005.

The final rule is balanced in that it allows consumers access to free credit reports annually, while protecting the credit reporting agencies from the projected barrage of consumer requests. The ruling requires the agencies to develop adequate capacity to accept consumer requests, and limits them to collecting only as much personally identifiable information as necessary to process those requests. It also dutifully limits the use and disclosure of the personally identifiable information they collect.

Finally, the agencies will not be allowed to be "in your face" with advertising or marketing that interferes with, detracts from, or undermines the purpose of the centralized source.

You may get more details on this topic from the Federal Trade Commission's Web site at www.ftc.gov, or you may phone the FTC toll-free at (877) FTC-HELP.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. As always, you may find more information about credit reports and hundreds of other helpful consumer articles at the Wealth Academy archives at www.phillipsHQ.com or call toll free at (866) 369-4516. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

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Canton	
3597 Aspen	\$379,000
41529 Bedford	\$111,000
2208 Brookfield	\$229,000
1688 Brookline	\$171,000

721 Buckingham	\$204,000	44121 Fair Oaks	\$240,000
663 Cherry Grove	\$240,000	7066 Festival	\$240,000
602 Cherry Orchard	\$235,000	482 Filmore	\$235,000
1739 Christopher	\$157,000	44910 Forest Trail	\$157,000
326 Constitution	\$400,000	49056 Founders	\$400,000
386 Corstutun	\$599,000	40446 Glen Eagle	\$599,000
554 Constitution	\$160,000	45204 Glenarry	\$160,000
584 Constitution	\$159,000	45394 Glenarry	\$159,000
1317 Dundee	\$297,000	46338 Gunney	\$297,000
6492 Durham	\$250,000	44619 Heather	\$175,000
1374 Elmhurst	\$175,000	47063 Hidden River S	\$175,000
408 Elmington	\$470,000	953 Holbrooke	\$470,000

\$240,000	954 Holbrooke	\$413,000	12030 Arcola
\$386,000	1006 Huntville	\$401,000	31445 Arizona
\$433,000	48291 Inveraray	\$471,000	29117 Barkley
\$238,000	47892 Jake	\$474,000	38005 Bloomfield
\$485,000	47924 Jake	\$420,000	20625 Ellen
\$172,000	8550 Kingsley	\$235,000	16932 Farmington
\$330,000	2035 Knollwood	\$195,000	16944 Farmington
\$320,000	42795 Lilley Pointe	\$115,000	16952 Farmington
\$300,000	43174 Londonderry	\$210,000	16954 Farmington
\$260,000	592 McKinley	\$431,000	16956 Farmington
\$317,000	50093 Monroe	\$215,000	16970 Farmington
\$362,000	50119 Monroe	\$155,000	18340 Fremont
	50141 Monroe	\$159,000	20183 Gary
	50145 Monroe	\$220,000	11180 Haller
	50223 Monroe	\$180,000	9930 Harrison
	50311 Monroe	\$329,000	29130 Jacquelyn
	50445 Monroe	\$150,000	33105 Kentucky
	50469 Monroe	\$365,000	36851 Ladywood
	50493 Monroe	\$260,000	9024 Lathers
	4512 Morningside	\$325,000	17570 Lathers
	1772 Morrison	\$211,000	18864 Lathers
	6204 N Beck	\$182,000	38321 Mason
	287 Patriot	\$320,000	15600 Mayfield
	3084 River Meadow	\$255,000	15648 Mayfield
	3455 Riverside	\$253,000	9311 Merriman
	2855 S ever	\$115,000	31590 Merrimwood Park
	550 Suttan	\$279,000	37192 N Laurel Park
	1898 Tradition	\$490,000	34244 Navin
	44237 Webster	\$209,000	8812 Nebraska
	1869 Woodmont	\$215,000	32488 Norfolk
			14556 Susanna
			31341 Westfield

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	5917 Cardwell	\$137,000	11999 Fox Ridge
	32250 Chester	\$115,000	12030 Glenview
	29464 Rush	\$220,000	12370 Glenview
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	6643 Sharon		12345 Howland Park
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Commerce - Better than new! Beautiful bright and airy 3 bed brick Ranch. Huge living room with recessed lighting. Newer CA furnace and carpeting. Basement with drop ceiling and tile. Gas fireplace with hardwood floors & doorwall leading to private deck. \$269,900 (50QUA)



Dearborn Heights - Spotless well kept home with attached garage. Newer kitchen central air furnace copper plumbing hardwood floors and hot water tank. Bonus room on upper level. Not a drive by motivated seller. \$79,900 (53MCD)



Detroit - Well maintained 3 bed stone Bungalow. Home warranty fenced yard sprinklers. 2 car garage basement. CA Deck with nice doorwall to private yard. Updated full bath windows roof furnace & new kitchen floor. Immediate occupancy! \$99,900 (27WAF)



Detroit - Charming 3 bed Bungalow with many updates. Basement garage fenced yard. Refinished hardwood floors. Remodeled bathroom. Newer windows roof siding stove fridge dishwasher. New furnace copper plumbing & entry doors. \$114,900 (05SAL)



Farmington Hills - Rare opportunity! Spacious 4 bed 3 1/2 bath brick Ranch. Garage basement 2 fireplaces sprinklers. Updated kitchen spa tub with full bath. Deck brick patio wet bar. Updated in neutrals throughout. Large laundry area & more! \$429,900 (08FOX)



Livonia - Super sharp 3 bed Ranch. 2 1/2 car garage fenced yard. Basement hardwood floors. Freshly painted. Updated kitchen with beautiful ceramic floor. Updated ceramic bath. Newer roof. New humidifier hot water heater. Copper plumbing. \$167,900 (70FRE)



Livonia - Beautiful 3 bed home on 1 acre. Two car garage. Sprinklers. 2 1/2 baths. Basement nice deck. Open 2 story foyer. Ceramic in baths. Gas fireplace in great room. First floor laundry. Master suite with Jacuzzi and separate shower. \$289,900 (92MIL)



Sterling Heights - Just like new! Three bed 2 1/2 bath home. Gas fireplace in 2 story great room. Open kitchen to nook with ceramic tile. With doorwall to back yard. Master bedroom with walk in closet and full bath. Two car garage. Basement central air. \$289,900 (02HAF)



Westland - Gorgeous 3 bed 2 bath Ranch. Finished basement. 2 1/2 car garage. Florida room. Fenced yard. CA. Beautifully landscaped. Eat in kitchen. Remodeled oak cabinets & hardwood floor. Built in oven & stove top. \$178,007. Call Jamie Hastings @ 734 673 3285 (JH1MAL)

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LIVONIA
Quality Choice. Open floor plan flows from foyer to kitchen & living room. Newer kitchen and full bath. Refinished HWF in Living Room. Hall and master. Newer ceramic tile in kitchen & foyer. Covered deck. \$185,000 (EP37BR 24056748)



NORTHVILLE
GORGEOUS SIMPLY GORGEOUS! 4 293 sq ft 5 bedroom 4 1/2 bath home with granite marble walk in closets. 3 fireplaces finished walk out with wet bar family room game area full bath with steam shower. On 18 hole Arnold Palmer Golf course overlooking 9th hole & pond. \$1,099,000 (P49TOU)



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FARMINGTON HILLS
SPECTACULAR! MUST SEE! Three bedroom 2 bath gourmet kitchen cathedral ceilings with skylights newly constructed 3 car garage. Appraisal much higher. Sellers motivated. \$239,900 (P11COL)



PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP
A LOT OF HOME FOR THE \$\$! Brick Ranch boasts 4 bedrooms and 2 baths on main floor. Open floor plan family room with fireplace hardwood floors basement 2 car garage. Neighborhood park. Immediate occupancy! \$198,900 (P64HAM)



PLYMOUTH
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Mortgage rates higher, not expected to hurt sales

BY JEANNINE AVERSA
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Mortgage rates moved higher, a trend that is slowing home-mortgage refinancings but isn't expected to do much to hurt home sales, economists said.

Rates on benchmark 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages climbed to 6.30 percent for the week ending June 11, up from 6.28 percent last week, Freddie Mac, the mortgage giant, reported June 10 in its weekly nationwide survey of rates.

Thirty-year mortgage rates hit a low this year of 5.38 percent during the week ending March 18. Since then, they have slowly moved upward.

Rates for 15-year, fixed-rate mortgages rose this week to 5.67 percent, up from 5.63 percent. Rates for one-year adjustable rate mortgages increased to 4.14 percent, a big jump compared with last week's average rate of 3.98 percent.

The recent rise in mortgage rates comes in anticipation that the Federal Reserve will raise a key short-term interest rate for

the first time in four years on June 30. "All eyes will be on the Fed for the next few months at least. How aggressive or how measured the coming rates hikes are will determine the future direction of both short- and long-term mortgage rates," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac's chief economist.

David Lereah, chief economist at the National Association of Realtors, is now predicting that 30-year mortgage rates will rise to 6.9 percent by the final quarter of this year, which would still be considered low by historical standards.

Lereah is forecasting sales of previously owned homes to set a new record this year and sales of new homes to finish close to a record high. An improved labor market should support demand for homes, he said.

This time a year ago, rates on 30-year mortgages averaged 5.21 percent, rates for 15-year mortgages stood at 4.60 percent and rates on one-year ARMs averaged 3.54 percent.

The nationwide averages for mortgage rates do not include add-on fees known as points. Each loan type carried an average fee of 0.7 point this week.

The recent rise in mortgages is slowing refinancing activity. Refinancings accounted for just 32.6 percent of total mortgage loan applications filed last week, down from 34.3 percent in the previous week, the Mortgage Bankers Association said.

DEBT

The Federal Reserve also reported Thursday that debt of American households grew at a 10.9 percent annual rate in the first quarter of this year, up from a 7.3 percent pace in the previous quarter. A pickup in mortgage borrowing and consumer credit was largely behind the first-quarter rise, the Fed said.

Home mortgage debt grew at a 12.5 percent rate in the first quarter, up from a 9.5 percent growth rate in the previous quarter.

Utah mayor attracts dwellers

(AP) - Mayor Matthew Godfrey wants to attract the right sort of people to live downtown - the sort who own horses.

Godfrey said the city will provide free use of the stables at Ogden Stadium for those who buy homes at the Union Square, Legacy Park and Jefferson Townhomes developments near the downtown area of Ogden, Utah.

"This is a pretty exciting announcement for us because this brings a representation of what urban housing can be," Godfrey said. "We think that's a demographic that lives in the community that is in a time of their lives that they want to shed the farm life and head to urban living."

Ogden will provide room for up to 30 horses in the stable and continue to maintain the facility.

Community Services Director John Patterson said the facility goes virtually unused for 11 months out of the year, with the main activity during the Ogden Rodeo during Ogden Pioneer Days in July.

Godfrey said the new residents will be able to ride their horses at the rodeo arena, or just haul them by trailer for a ride within 20 minutes of downtown.



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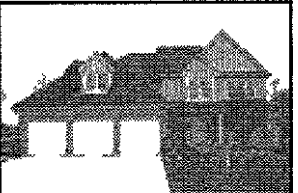
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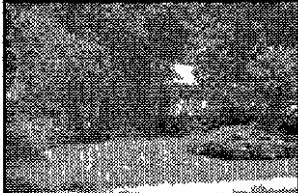
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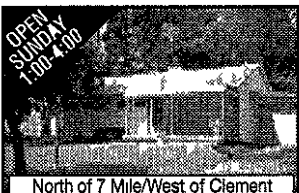
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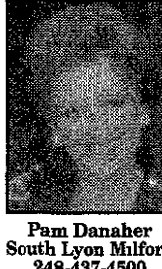
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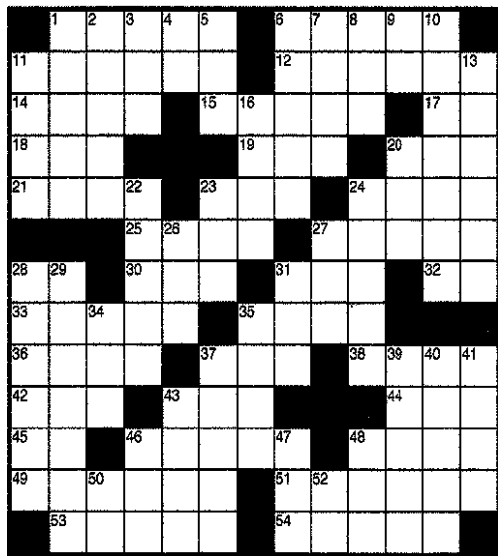
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Experienced Apt painters & repair work Call 313 255 1600

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Part time for Southfield Apts 248 355 4424

POOL ATTENDANT
Part time for Westland Apts 734-425-0052

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Southfield real estate manager/collector needed to manage monthly and year end accounting through F/S Reports to the VP of Finance and Director of Property Management Supervises A/P and is responsible for recording and following up of Residential rent deposits A/P including commercial lease administration preparation of annual CAM billings monthly financial reports and year end work papers Timberline Gold software experience is a plus Successful candidates must have a minimum of 6 years experience or accounting with 3 years experience ability to prioritize meet deadlines and communicate effectively Send resume with cover letter to Human Resources Berger Realty Group Inc 248 905 5511 jsawyer@bergerrealtygroup.com

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Management position for a busy Real Estate office Responsibilities include assisting with the oversight of the day to day operations through direct supervision of the staff focusing on customer service and quality assurance measures Phone computer and management skills required Starting between \$12 \$14 per hour Fax or email resumes to (734) 525 6401 or resumes8198@yahoo.com

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LAB ASSISTANT lnced lab assistant for busy family prac tice must be proficient in icture and urinalysis ements Call 248 476 7880

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LPN/Nurse Manager Full time for Alterra Assisted Living of Northville Fax 734 420 2468 or email resume to wnorthville@assisted.com

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VETERINARY TECHNICIAN Willowood Acres Veterinary Clinic seeks an exceptional full time veterinary technician Duties include performing all technical aspects of surgery lab work and patient care Schedule flexibility is required If you respect our commitment to quality medi cine Fax resume and cover letter to Susan Susevitz at 734 753 4537

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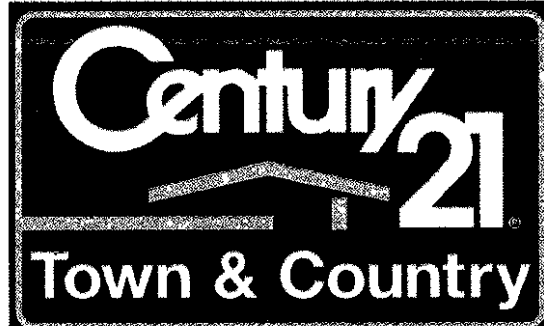
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28x10 deck overlooks 13 & 14 hole Extensive finished basement Cherry wood wet bar access light carpet bright open kit w/angled sink pu out drawers pantry Master ste w/3 closets 2 car att gar End unit condo
(E05CLE) 734 455 5600 \$359,900



WESTLAND Wooded & Private
2 bedroom 1.5 bath great room w/gas fireplace 1st floor laundry professionally finished basement deck wood deck fenced common area attached garage & private entrance
(E33PHE) 734 455 5600 \$166,900



DEARBORN Seller is Motivated
Charming 2 bedroom 1.5 bath home in a great neighborhood Large rooms in a very spacious layout Oversized 24x22 attached garage All on a corner lot
(E19SIL) 734-455-5600 \$199,900



NOVI Wonderful Ranch
3 BR 3.5 BA home on approx 1/2 acre wooded lot 1st floor laundry master suite New furnace HWH water softener stove Oven & dishwasher in 2001 Award winning Novi schools Home warranty included
(E06FOR) 248 349 5600 \$279,000



NORTHVILLE Investors Alert!
Two apartment studio home Both units have a full bath with a complete kitchen Located in the historic district of beautiful Northville
(E16ROG) 248-349-5600 \$229,900



LINCOLN PARK Stop The Car!
Perfect starter home w/all major updating done windows kitchen roof furnace A/C electric & plumbing Florida room covered deck & 2 car garage
(E77GAR) 734 455 5600 \$94,600



SOUTHFIELD Move In Condition
Large 2 bedroom ranch condo w open flowing floor plan kitchen opens to an airy dining and living room
(E25LAH) 734 455 5600 \$77,500



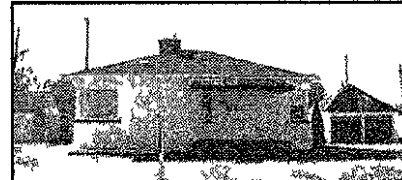
CANTON Pheasant Run Golf Comm Condo
Premium location on fairway close to clubhouse pool & tennis Large gourmet kit baths w/custom tile hardwood floors in bedrooms kit & foyer crown moldings 1/2 car garage & built in 3 BR 2.5 BA cape cod
(E05VIS) 734 455 5600 \$369,900



ROMULUS Brand New Model Home
Golf course community 2 story w/quality upgrades Side car garage sprinklers w/full landscaping ceramic premium kitchen C/A designer wall paper Other homes & sites available
(E33GAT) 248-349 5600 \$207,900



SOUTH LYON Rare Historic Farmhouse
Built in 1837 & restored to museum quality Authentic doors hardware & wide plank floors Situated on approx 2 wooded acres Close to I 96 and US 23 Pre approved buyers only
(E97RUS) 248-349 5600 \$397,000



DEARBORN HGTS Relax & Enjoy
Perfect starter home w/all major updating done windows kitchen roof furnace A/C electric & plumbing Florida room covered deck & 2 car garage
(E14GER) 734 455 5600 \$115,000



PLYMOUTH A Pleasure To Show
Many major repairs within 6 months! 4 bedroom 1.5 bath on corner w/ finished hardwood floor in LR & master BR FR w/natural tile newer windows & doors w/ fresh paint w/ntd 2.5 car garage & part finished basement
(E97MIC) 734 455-5600 \$214,900



VAN BUREN Better Than A New Home
Spacious 4 bedroom 2.5 bath on all w/2 car attached garage basement 2 fireplaces large 2 tier deck sprinkler system C/A central vac & appliances included This one won't last
(E02REV) 734 455 5600 \$259,900



SOUTH LYON Location Location Location!
Excellent location in complex End unit ranch condo w/2 bedrooms and 2 full ceramic baths 2 car attached garage Newer carpet roof and much more Close to freeway & shopping
(E36HAR) 248 349 5600 \$189,900



NORTHVILLE Walk To Downtown
Clean open well maintained townhome Huge master suite w/walk in 3 BR 2.5 BA Lg finished basement 2 car att gar Gas fireplace Gorgeous stone patio pool & clubhouse Heat & water included in assoc dues Pets ok
(E02SAR) 248 349-5600 \$200,000



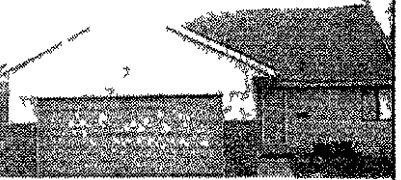
ALLEN PARK You Can Have It All!
Spacious & updated 3 bedroom brick ranch w/2 car garage finished basement living room w/ fireplace sharp kitchen w/all the appliances master bedroom w/doorway to deck & much more
(E53GAM) 734-455 5600 \$154,900



REDFORD Move Right In!
Wow! 3 bedroom 2 bath brick ranch offers 2 fireplaces finished basement with family room hardwood floors vinyl windows & garage
(E50MAC) 734 455-5600 \$139,900



WAYNE Why Rent When You Can Buy?
Nice 2 bedroom ranch w/garage nice kitchen large screened porch fenced yard newer ca pat & freshly painted
(E35FLE) 734 455 5600 \$77,900



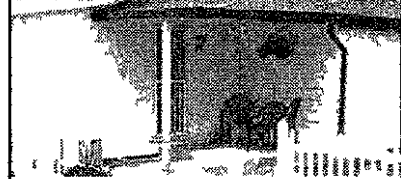
FARMINGTON Peaceful And Private
Excellent location in complex End unit ranch condo w/2 bedrooms and 2 full ceramic baths 2 car attached garage Newer carpet roof and much more Close to freeway & shopping
(E11HER) 248 349-5600 \$189,900



CLAWSON Beautifully Updated
This is a showplace updated baths & kit Awesome open floor plan w/spacious bedrooms Vaulted ceilings custom moldings & lighting Newer appliances included If you like pottery barn you will like this
(E44SCH) 248-349 5600 \$224,900



GARDEN CITY Absolutely Fabulous
New construction w/popular split ranch floor plan w/3 bedrooms P offss only finished lower level natura deco newer Be be carpet freshly painted vinyl windows less than 1 year Oak kitchen cabinets
(E21BEL) 734 455-5600 \$184,999



WHITE LAKE Adorable & Affordable
Ranch w/finished walk out 3 bedrooms large kitchen garage shed pocket fence beautiful decor clean updated appliances HPP
(E92OVE) 734 455 5600 \$149,900



SOUTHFIELD Check Out This One
Almost new condo w/neutral walls & carpet across from park setting w/walk out ca lngs 2 sky ghts great room & 21x13 loft area Kitchen w/w/ie cabs & all appliances & attached garage w/openers
(E50STO) 734 455 5600 \$159,900



NORTHVILLE Price Way Below Appraised Value
Beautiful updated home sits on approx 5 wooded acres w/pool plus the home itself offers 5 BR 3.2 BA 5+ car gar A great floor plan and never ready to finish saw suite Motivated seller w/ll look at reasonable offers
(E00NAP) 248 349 5600 \$729,900



LIVONIA Eye Catching Colonial
Absolutely stunning 4 bedroom brick ranch so pampered so many upgrades Neutral decor delightful kitchen expanded FR w/tp n 02 formal DR Upgraded C/A furn shingles vinyl siding windows & more
(E48SHE) 248-349-5600 \$241,900



DEARBORN HGTS You Will Love This One!
Open floor plan in this 3 BR 2 BA brick ranch w/updates including kitchen w/oak cabs & new dishwasher 03 beautiful bath w/Jacuzzi tub! Newer windows LR & hall carpet 02 C/A full basement & 2 car garage
(E90GER) 734 455 5600 \$124,900



WESTLAND Livonia Schools Ranch!
Updated 3 bedrooms 2 full baths finished basement home Remodeled kitchen Many updates
(E61ROS) 734-455 5600 \$164,999



HOWELL Sprawling Ranch
Private setting on approx 1 acre for this 3 bedroom 2.5 bath ranch Huge walkout LL w/large rec room & extra room Perfect for a home office or playroom 1st floor master and laundry
(E61BON) 248 349-5600 \$249,900



ORCHARD LAKE House On 2 Sports Lakes
Enjoy Orchard & Upper Straits Lakes Awesome 2+ acre property with huge dock gazebo paths & nature 6 bedrooms 3.5 baths 2 fireplaces cath ceilings huge dining room & off ce Its a one of a kind
(E47OLD) 248 349 5600 \$2,249,900



HOWELL Quiet New Convenient
Spectacular McPherson addition sub 3 BR 2.5 BA cape Corian kit deck ceramic tile kit foyer FR FF master triple in GR daylight brnt plumbed All newer window treatments Dovetailed oak kitchen cabs
(E10STA) 248-349 5600 \$299,900



TAYLOR Very Clean Colonial
3 bedrooms 1.5 baths w/2 car attached garage One owner Basement family room w/replace newer furnace C/A windows doors HWH patio off back large yard w/deck & Jacuzzi
(E35WES) 734 455 5600 \$174,900



DEARBORN HGTS Open Floor Plan
Offers many amenities & updates Totally remodeled kitchen w/marble cabs & Pergo flooring FR w/berber carpet & gas log fireplace recessed lights finished basement & 2 car att gar Newer windows doorwall turn C/A & roof
(E42SIM) 734 455 5600 \$297,500



INKSTER Spacious & Well Maintained
3 BR 2.5 BA home w/newer roof elec siding on garage Newer carpet above ground pool w/deck Beautiful landscaping Open floor plan partially finished basement w/pool table Newer storm & steel front door
(E69BRE) 248 349-5600 \$124,900



NOVI Wonderful Ranch Home
Large ranch home on a double lot w/Vaulted Lake privileges 3 bedrooms 2 full baths & whirlpool tub Lots of fresh paint and carpet Great access to freeways & 12 Oaks Mall 1 car garage
(E30PAR) 248-349-5600 \$224,900



BROWNSTOWN Ranch Style Condo
2 BR unit w/neutral decor Vaulted ceilings plant ledges and large kitchen w/marble cabs Super clean & across from Commons area One car attached garage All appliances newer & stay Unit only 3 years old
(E64STO) 248-349 5600 \$124,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD 2 Story Contemporary
Custom built 2003 home w/tp ne lake frontage 4 BRs 3.5 BAs 3 fireplaces LR DR FR library open floor plan Granite floors countertops custom design kitchen 2.5 car garage c/c driveway w/brick paver walkway
(E80ORC) 734-455-5600 \$1,960,000



ROMULUS Don't Miss This One!
Offering 5 bath off master bedroom finished basement w/lots of storage & 2 car garage Enjoy the spacious covered deck Numerous updates & some appls
(E00OAK) 734-455-5600 \$115,000



DEARBORN Updated Home Throughout
3 BR home Updated newer windows fire doors furn & HWH Hdwrd flrs Lg kit w/all newer app's finished basement w/glass block windows & storage Oversized 2 car garage heated gar w/newer insulated door
(E04CH) 248-349-5600 \$127,900



PLYMOUTH Walk To Town
Fabulous location for this 2 bedroom 1 bath condo Neutral decor open floor plan doorway to deck All appliances stay
(E52PIN) 248-349-5600 \$129,500



LYON TOWNSHIP Spacious
3 bedroom 2 bath ranch on beautiful fenced corner lot Township taxes very close to downtown Hardwood in dining & bedrooms One year home warranty Oversized 2 car garage
(E80VAL) 248-349-5600 \$224,900



CANTON Very Open Cape Cod
3 bedroom 2.5 bath home w/great room w/bu fr in entertainment ctr & fireplace Master ste spacious w/glass block bath Updates roof furnace HWH skylights Pergo floor etc Part finished basement & 2 car garage
(E70COL) 734 455 5600 \$237,900



DEARBORN HGTS Very Clean Ranch
3 bedroom 1.5 bath all brick ranch in walking distance to Hines Park Hardwood floors & neutral paint throughout 1.5 baths on main level Full basement & 2 car garage
(E15COL) 734 455 5600 \$149,999



WEST BLOOMFIELD Lake Living At Its Best
3 BR 3 BA 2 story home in bay location on Walnut Lake Master suite w/his & hers baths & WC GR w/Travertine marble triple & great view of lake White kitchen and sun filled breakfast room
(E85CON) 248 349 5600 \$879,900



NORTHVILLE Downtown Northville
2 bedroom home w/formal DR large living room FR w/vaulted ceiling & gas fireplace Updated kitchen baths windows roof furnace & A/C Basement & 1 car attached garage Home s on a lot that has a CBD zoning
(E14RAY) 248 349 5600 \$284,900



LIVONIA Indoor Swimming Pool
Come on! Take a vacation in your own indoor swimming pool Recreation room with full bath This 3 bedroom 3.5 bath ranch is truly unique
(E61VAR) 248-349-5600 \$320,900



REDFORD Corner Wooded Lot
Very clean very nice owner Updates roof furnace A/C hum diler BB w/in kitchen bath w/n conc etc carpet Well maintained Hardwood floors 2.5 car garage large master BR & app's Home war any
(E88IND) 734 455 5600 \$142,900



DETROIT 3 Bedroom Bungalow
Newer furnace HWH & finished basement beautifully maintained & deco atad Make an offer Great starter home
(E88FIV) 734 455 5600 \$97,000



NORTHVILLE Spacious Ranch
3 BR 2.5 BA home n fabuous sub Gorgeous backyard w/deck & brick paver patio overlooking commons area Lovely home has many updates roof furnace & sump pump Short walk to elementary school
(E03DUN) 248 349 5600 \$299,000



WARREN End The Space Race
Home is situated on a double lot w room to room Newer s noe 01 furnace C/A garage door main bath carpet (BRs stairs & FR) and landscaping Come see
(E40REV) 248-349 5600 \$225,000



NOVI Spectacular Custom Home
Beautifully detailed offers 4 spacious bedrooms 4.5 baths Master suite features fireplace 2 WIC & granite bath Gourmet kitchen w/king stove Sub Zero frng walk out LL w/hardwood floors sauna & full granite kit
(E55VAS) 248-349-5600 \$1,250,000

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NORTHVILLE \$629,900
ABSOLUTELY GORGEOUS! 4 BR 3 1/2 BA grand foyer w/hw flrs extending to gourmet kit & bn Kit has granite island 42 inch cabs FR has a bay soaring ceiling & balcony Much more! (D44243)

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NOVI \$625,000
MADISON HOMES PRESENTS NEW COLONIAL! New const you choose cabinets counters & flooring! 3600 SF w/4 BR 3 1/2 baths w/o bsmt granite kit 2/FP 2/furn & 2/AC units Buy now & make selections (08AR92)

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NORTHVILLE \$429,000
STUNNING CONDO ON THE BEST-DRESSED LIST! 2 bdms spacious loft 2 1/2 baths Upgrades incl granite lighting carpet & cabinets Extra crown mldg and insulation Calif closet in mstr Luxury mstr bath (23068364)

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HOWELL \$419,900
ELEGANT CONTEMPORARY! 1st flr master gourmet kitchen hardwood throughout 1st level 3 1/2 baths 3 car garage Private beach across the street All sports lake access! A real beauty! (23L9354)

734-455-7000



HAMBURG \$409,900
WHAT A BEAUTY! Super maintained brick col on superb 1 acre lot w/wooded backdrop 4 bdrm 2 1/2 bath deep bsmt 3 car gar patio Terrific mstr ste what are you waiting for? (2307807)

734-455 7000



PLYMOUTH \$395,000
LIKE A FINE WINE this home has improved each year since it was built. You'll love the woodwork ceilings & the ambience of fine living. Upper flat w/sep entr can be rented out (233353)

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PLYMOUTH \$389,900
CLASSIC TUDOR WITH CIRCLE DRIVE The complete 4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath colonial Ceramic tile foyer throughout kit Indry rm & 1/2 bath Finished basement Prof landscaping (23Q48998)

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CANTON \$314,900
BEAUTIFUL SUNFLOWER SUBDIVISION Charming 4 BR colonial 2 1/2 Bath refinished hardwood floors in entry hall & kit Finished Bsm 2 level deck newer furnace & C/A Reshingled in (01) (B457)

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NOVI \$299,900
EYE CATCHING RANCH SITUATED ON GREAT LOT Comfortable home backing to woods spacious GR w/cathedral ceiling & frpl 3brs 2 full baths pleasant kit & brkfst area nicely fin d bsmt & deck (72PH12)

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LIVONIA \$269,900
ORIGINALLY 4 BR, CAN CONVERT BACK 2 1/2 BAs big mstr w/his/her closets tons of updates incl new kit bath flrs wndws paint gar dr HWH Fam rm w/drwl to patio FP Beautiful garden (W35043)

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LIVONIA \$269,900
WONDERFUL LIVONIA HOME! Beautifully appointed home w/hardwood flrs in nicely updated kit finished bsmt w/full bath 1st flr laundry newer roof cent air hwh & furnace Livonia Schools! (24063614)

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GARDEN CITY \$269,000
QUIET CUL-DE-SAC 3 bed 2 1/2 ba No maintenance fenced yard Quiet circle w/all newer homes Great rm w/HP Huge master suite near park & soccer field Above ground pool Great for kids (24064856)

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HOWELL \$264,900
BEAUTIFUL COLONIAL IN LAKE COMMUNITY Lakeshore Pointe Access to Thompson Lake Walk out basement Four bedroom colonial (44RAV2)

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ROMULUS \$249,900
SCORE LOW LIVE HIGH with this 3 bdrm cape on the 13th green GR DR 1st flr mstr w/2 showers 2nd bdrm has a 17 WIC Lg bsmt w/rough plumbing for 3rd bath Located on a court (23M5949)

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CANTON \$236,900
WOW! UPGRADED TO THE GILLS Prof on ally decorated 3 BR 2 1/2 BA end unit condo 1st flr mstr ste w/WIC full bath & jetted tub Maple kit GR w/stone FP 1st flr Indy deck & more (S172)

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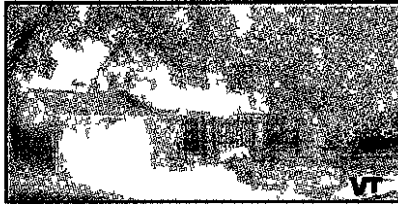
CANTON \$236,000
READY TO MOVE IN! Pampered 4 bdrm 2 1/2 bath colonial Fam rm w/ fireplace Partially finished bsmt w/new carpet Many many updates! Great deck w/private yard (24062593)

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DEARBORN HGTS \$224,900
ABSOLUTELY AS CLEAN AS CAN BE! 1 514 Sq Ft 3 Bedroom 1 1/2 baths Family Rm W/ gas fireplace sun room gas grill Sharp finished basement w/dry bar lots of storage & window treatments stay (D273)

734-326-2000



PLYMOUTH \$206,900
YOU WILL RECOGNIZE FINE CRAFTSMAN SHIP 3 BR 1 1/2 BA brk colonial tastefully decorated w/xtra special touches Lg eat in kit w/oak cabinetry FR w/gas log FP remodeled bath hrdwd flrs & much more! (C9343)

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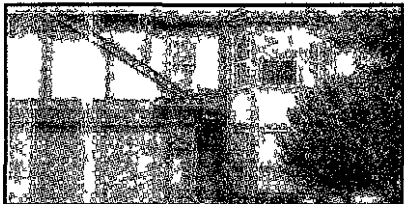
GARDEN CITY \$204,900
BEAUTIFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION! Wow! Builder built this one in Livonia last and it sold before we could finish it! Mstr 1st flr vaulted GR ceilings 2 car attd 70x145 lot (H1731)

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GARDEN CITY \$199,900
CONTEMPORARY SPRAWLING RANCH Totally updated ranch W/great open floor plan Updates include Baths Kitchen new carpet attached side entry garage Fireplace doorwall roof in (04) (C319)

734-326 2000



CANTON \$196,900
MOVE RIGHT IN Move in & throw your feet up! 2 bedroom 2 1/2 bath condo with full basement Has all new berber carpet & fresh paint throughout Spectacular view! (23W41512)

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CANTON \$183,900
BRIGHT RM W/FP, CATHEDRAL CEILINGS Bright kit appliances stay 1st flr laundry bsmt 2 car garage end unit 2 BR 2 1/2 baths convenient location (H45209)

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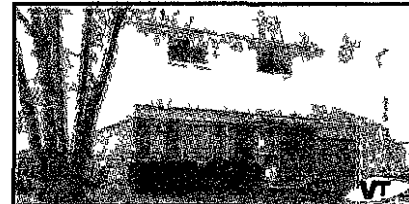
FARMINGTON HILLS \$179,900
WELCOMING RANCH WITH NUMEROUS UPDATES! Pleasant 3 br 1 1/2 ba home w/new wndws ac roof updated kit & bath! Freshly painted! Par fin bsmt w/lav & glass block wndws All appliances stay! (28COR2)

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LIVONIA \$179,900
ARE YOU READY FOR THIS? Just what you've been searching for! Curb appeal plus! Beautiful new brk paver walkway leads to the frnt dr! Updates HWY furn c/a white bay kit cabs more! (B19005)

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FARMINGTON HILLS \$179,900
READY TO MOVE IN COLONIAL with hrdwd flrs thru out New paint ceramic bths dining area window to nice deck newer wndws & HWH Some new appl Fin bsmt w/rec rm & office area More! (P23045)

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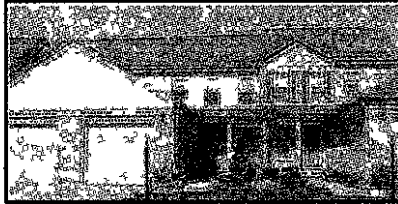
GARDEN CITY \$176,900
GORGEOUS GARDEN CITY RANCH 1300+ Sq Ft 3 br 2 1/2 Bath 2 Car garage Professionally finished basement w/ wet bar & full bath FP in family room Oversized LR 3 seasons room w/ Hot Tub (M298)

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RIVERVIEW \$165,900
QUALITY CONVENIENCE & COMFORT Gorgeous condo built in 1991 Features 2 master bedrooms 2 1/2 bath private basement 2 car att garage fireplace in great room sharp oak & white kitchen (G156)

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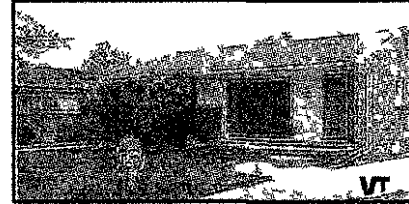
CANTON TWP \$165,000
PICTURE PERFECT CONDO WITH EVERYTHING! Move in cond 1180 sq ft condo has 2 br 1 1/2 ba jetted tub ff laun newer appl att gar deck and neut decor close to comm ctr convenient to U of M & St Joe s (24052022)

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REDFORD \$159,900
EXCELLENT CONDITION Huge liv rm & dining area 3 BR 2 baths fin bsmt w/rec rm work area & 3/4 ceramic bath very well done Updated wndws H2O 2 1/2 car gar w/EDO (J9217)

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REDFORD \$159,900
TRULY A 10! New kit w/ceramic fl & glass/oak cabs vinyl wndws tear off updated main bth mstr has half bath refinished hrdwd flrs fin bsmt w/full bath wet br & more (C12081)

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REDFORD \$144,999
PLEASANTLY UPDATED 3 BEDROOM BUNGALOW! Totally redone in past year New kit w/oak cabinets ceramic fl in bath new windows Newer roof siding & gutters! Fresh paint & new carpet! Move in & enjoy! (24061384)

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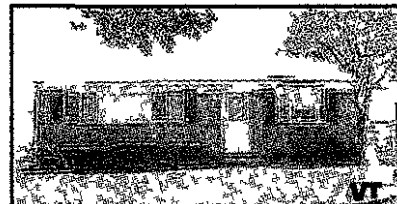
WESTLAND \$143,900
UPDATED 3BR RANCH BACKING TO GOLF COURSE Everthing s been updated in last 4yrs! All newer eat in kit plus appls updated ba refin hrdwd flr in Lr & Dr fenced dbl lot yd & patio Lg open rms & gar Must see! (06BIR2)

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WAYNE \$139,900
BEAUTY, WARMTH, VALUE Flowing open floor plan in this 1996 3 Bdr 2 Bath with Great Room Lovely Oak kitchen Decks front & rear Neutral colors 2 car garage Shows well (A324)

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ROMULUS \$139,900
SPACIOUS 3 BEDROOM RANCH WITH 2 1/2 GARAGE Hardwood floors family room off the kitchen adds to the charm of this home Recent updates front sidewalks & basement (24048353)

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REDFORD \$131,500
EVERYTHING YOU ARE LOOKING FOR! Full brick! Three BRs! Fin bsmt 24x24 block garage newer windows rf shingles electrical copper plumbing & carpet Remodeled white kit privacy fenced yd (I20455)

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REDFORD \$128,900
BRICK & ALUMINUM 3 BR BUNGALOW Many updates incl Anderson windows new rf & a/c Eat in kit & dining area Computer loft off MBR 2 car garage basement & a nicely landscaped yard (W9568)

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WAYNE \$119,900
RANCH, 2 BATH, 3 BEDROOM Vinyl sided & 050 Sq Ft 3 Bedrooms 2 Baths Dining room Kitchen W/ lots of cabinets 1st floor laundry 22x24 Garage and much more This one won't last (G425)

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CANTON \$109,900
EXQUISITE CANTON CONDO Close to every thing 2 bedrooms new flooring throughout newer kitchen neutral decor Step in the doors and know you are home! (23S44407)

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INKSTER \$99,900
EVERYTHING IS DONE! Newer windows roof garage furnace & C/A 3 Bedrooms 2 Full Baths Partially finished basement Really nice house W/Garage & carport (N123)

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REDFORD \$95,000
COZY STARTER HOME Well cared for 2 bedroom features updated kitchen and bath furnace less than 1 year old, new shingles on roof Nice fenced yard (D186)

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GREEN OAK
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The 2004 Pontiac Vibe

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BY DALE BUSS

Vibe is what the Aztek should have been - a nifty crossover vehicle, with a lot of utility and a big dose of personality to match.

Unfortunately, when Pontiac wanted to start making its mark in the fast-growing market for vehicles that offered the utility of a van or station wagon with the design possibilities of a car, what its designers first came up with was Aztek. The huge and ungainly looking vehicle was different, all right - but so different that, when it came out of the chute a few years ago, it turned into an object of ridicule and a sales flop.

Along came Vibe a couple of years later. And this time, Pontiac got it right. It's easily the most utilitarian vehicle that Pontiac offers, with a breakthrough design that puts it somewhere between a sports hatchback, a sports car and an SUV. It's officially a compact car, but especially inside, Vibe presents itself as a much roomier and more practical vehicle.

Pontiac has recognized that it's got a great little mini-franchise going in the Vibe. Significantly, 53 percent of Vibe buyers are female, meaning that it's certainly got sufficient appeal with women, but it doesn't come across as just a woman's car the way, for example, the Volkswagen Beetle does. Pontiac has named this car squarely at Generation Xers and Generation Y-ers - today's teens up through 39-year-olds - because by 2010, these age groups will total about 60 percent of the U.S. population. With more cars like Vibe, Pontiac has a fighting chance with this highly import-oriented demographic segment.

For 2004, Pontiac has added all sorts of new features and accessories, including something called a "super-charger accessory kit" that can boost engine horsepower and torque by up to 30 percent. A package GM calls Moons and Tunes enhances the Vibe's value as an entertainment platform, including a power glass moon roof and a 200-watt audio system with six speakers. Available XM Satellite radio offers more than 100 channels of digital sound.

The Vibe that I drove included that package, and it



The Pontiac Vibe gets a whopping 29 miles per gallon city and 36 miles per gallon on the highway.

impressed me. The audio system seemed especially sonorous. I normally can't distinguish much among pretty good sound systems in vehicles. But in the Vibe, music sounded better than in any other small or modestly priced vehicle that I've driven in a long time. XM Satellite adds tremendously to the entertainment options available in any vehicle that includes it, and I'm sure that was part of the highly satisfactory aural experience I had in Vibe as well.

Vibe's design is bold, clearly telling you from the get-go that there's something different about this vehicle, but it isn't huge and obnoxious as Aztek's was. (It's actually a cousin to Toyota's Matrix because they're built from the same platforms, and to Toyota standards, at the two companies' joint-venture plant in Fremont, Calif.) And yet, satisfyingly, Vibe also carries traditional Pontiac styling cues such as the brand's distinctive "cat-eye" headlamps, and a wide, muscular stance.

While I'm glad I didn't have to drive around toan in a Fusion Orange-colored Vibe, the model does have a way of making a loud visual statement with such available colors.

Base models come with front- or all-wheel-drive, and the base engine is an unimpressive 1.8-liter, four-cylinder model. That was perhaps the most disappointing

thing to me about the Vibe experience - unsatisfactory pickup from a standing position and even accelerating around and through regular traffic. I would have liked to see GM outfit even the Vibe base model with a bit larger and certainly sportier engine. If they had, this small car would have been an even bigger hit.

Yet, there are always tradeoffs, and with Vibe, it's a big plus that gas mileage is a whopping 29 miles a gallon in city driving and 36 on the highway, making the base Vibe more fuel-efficient than the 2003 Chrysler PT Cruiser, the 2003 Mazda Protege five-door wagon, 2.0-liter manual, and the 2003 Volkswagen Golf four-door HB GLS manual.

Still, it's inside that Vibe most impresses, not only with its sound system but also with other little doodads such as an AC plug in the center console for plugging in video games, laptops and cell-phone chargers. And, in the rear, a cargo system so easy to work that, with one touch, the rear seats fold flat, creating a level load floor and 54 cubic feet of cargo volume. Even the front passenger seat folds flat, creating a surface that can accommodate cargo up to eight feet long.

Maybe the car should be called Good Vibe.

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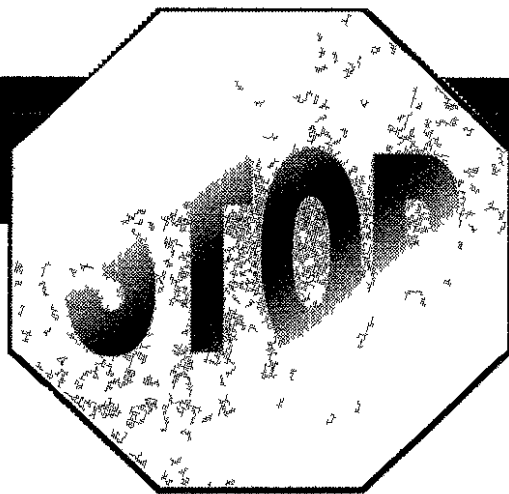
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Was \$16,900
 36 MOS. LEASE \$218.95**

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2004 Explorer XLT

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Was \$30,826
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2004 Mustang GT

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Was \$27,388
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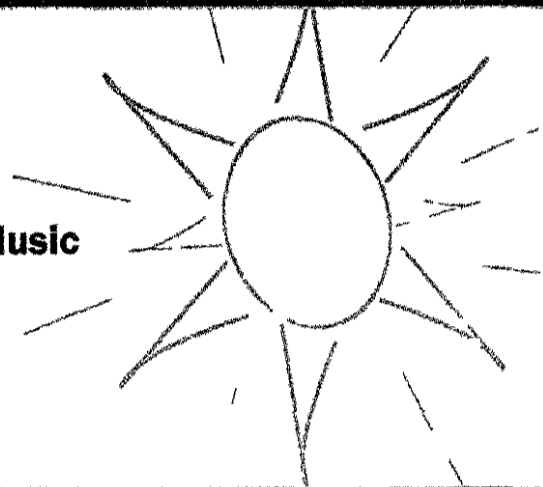
Saturday, June 19
Detroit artist Anne
Harrington Hughes discusses
how the DIA's collection has
influenced her own work.



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Storyteller Sumarah Karen
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live blues and cruising. The event attracts
more than 120,000
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Johnnie Bassett is
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Nine Mile Road.

Festival Director
Gary Young said one
of the reasons he wanted to emphasize the
blues is because many people are fans of it
without realizing.

"I grew up in the '70s listening to Led
Zeppelin and Eric Clapton. It wasn't
until years later that I learned some of
these songs were blues covers, that they
were playing the blues," Young said. "And
young people again are listening to blues
without knowing it—the White Stripes
for example."

There will also be a cigar booth, food
and other vendors.

The cruise is only in Eastpointe
Roseville, which is adjacent to Eastpointe,
will post police cars at its border to ensure
that cruisers don't venture into the city.

"Roseville has been dealing with Gratiot
cruisers every weekend on Friday and
Saturday nights for years, so they don't
encourage more in their city," Young said.

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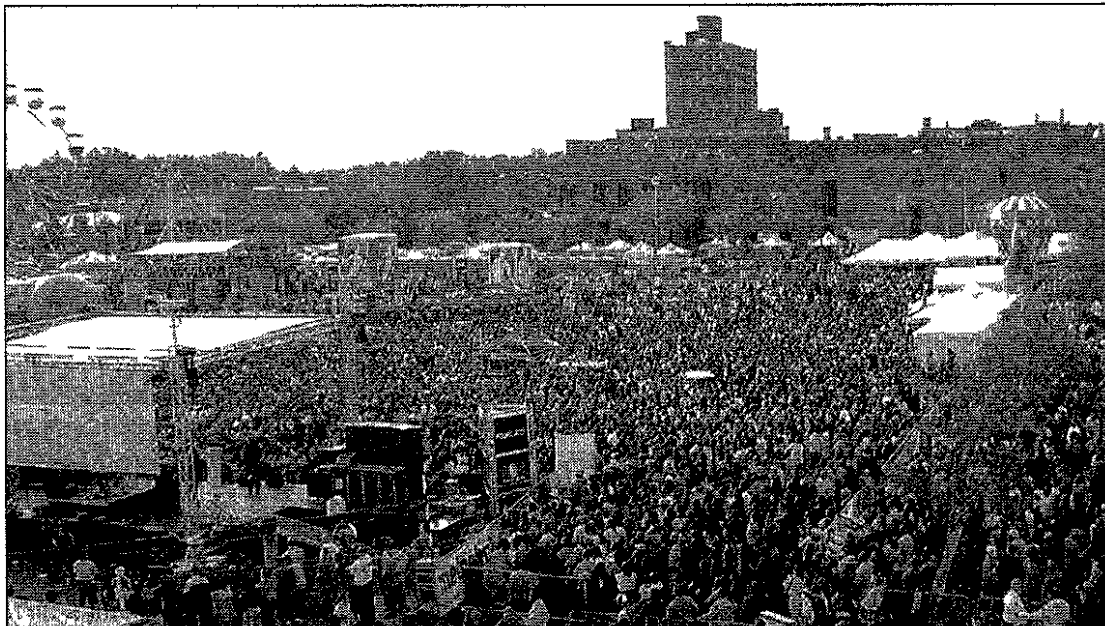


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It should bombard the senses with something to look at with every turn of the head.

That's the goal of JAMbalaya Street Festival organizers. They're transforming downtown Pontiac's Saginaw Street into Bourbon Street Friday through Sunday.

"With so many cities organizing festivals, we need to be more creative in our concepts," said Jon Witz, coordinator of JAMbalaya. With Detroit Festival of the Arts and JAMbalaya in June, Tastefest in July, the Dream Cruise in August, and Arts, Beats & Eats wrapping up summer on Labor Day weekend, each festival tries to create its own niche, he said.

"It's really not competition because we want the other festivals to succeed," Witz added.

"Festivals are good for cities," he said. "They draw people to downtown areas, it's a nice way to showcase a city."

And they raise money, too. JAMbalaya proceeds go to local charities.

This year, if the weather is nice, Witz expects 250,000 people at JAMbalaya. Last year it was held in May and 150,000 attended despite cold weather and rain.

RHYTHM 'N RIM TOUR

Witz anticipates the Detroit Pistons' NBA Rhythm 'n Rim tour will be a big hit. It features NBA talent, including representatives from both the Pistons and Shocks.

"We don't know who from the Pistons will be there, that's the big question," Witz said. "But obviously we can't expect current local players considering the games scheduled for L.A."

NBA Rhythm 'n Rims is a customized 18-wheel vehicle that converts into a 30,000-square-foot basketball theme park with a concert stage, two basketball courts and variety of contests and basketball activities. An interactive basketball area - NBA's Greatest - allows fans to view games and the top 50 plays and players in NBA history via touch-screen technology.

Also new this year is the Smooth Jazz Sunday featuring Dave Koz, Waymon Tisdale, Jeffrey Osbourne and Jonathan

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JAMBALAYA MUSICAL HIGHLIGHTS

- **Friday**
Metro Times stage
5 p.m. Border Line Extortion (rock) 6 p.m. Whoo Doo Band (blues) 7 p.m. Carl Vanover & Friends (country), 8:15 p.m. Twistin Tarantulas (rock/punk-a-billy), 9:30 p.m. Alvin Youngblood Hart (rock)
NBA Rhythm & Rims National Stage
7:30 p.m. Judy Harrison & High Impact (country, 8-piece band), 9 p.m. Beatlemania Live
- **Saturday**
Metro Times Stage
5:15 p.m. Jeremy Kittel (Celtic/jazz) 7 p.m. Charles Anthony (jazz) 8:15 p.m. Hemigod (rock) 9:30 p.m. Atlantez (9-piece Latin)
NBA Rhythm & Rims National Stage
Noon Rachael Williams (country) 2 p.m. NBA Rhythm and Rims special guest national artists 3:30 p.m. Orbit Sun's (Psycho Billy), 5 p.m. Impact 7 (R&B) 6:15 p.m. NBA Rhythm and Rims special guest national artists, 7:30 p.m. Nathan & The Zydeco Cha Cha's (zydeco) War 9 p.m.
- **Sunday**
Metro Times Stage
2:30 p.m. The Rev. Marc Falconberry (traditional blues), 3:30 p.m. Valerie Barrymore & The Foundations of Funk (funk) 5 p.m. Long Black Sedan (blues rock), 6:30 p.m. Chunky Funk Band (blues, rock)
NBA Rhythm & Rims National Stage
2 p.m. Zydecruach (Zydeco), 3:30 p.m. NBA Rhythm and Rims Special Guest National Artists, 6:30 p.m. Dave Koz & Friends (jazz)

Big screen

Drive-in opening postponed

Blame it on technical difficulties
The Compuware Sports Arena Drive-In Theater in Plymouth was scheduled to open on June 11, but officials postponed it to June 18 because they were dissatisfied with the quality of the movie screens

The drive-in, at 14900 Beck Road, will feature three screens, each showing a different first-run double feature seven nights a week.

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children ages 7-12, children 6 and under are free

Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban and *Scooby-Doo 2, The Chronicles of Riddick* and *Van Helsing*, *Shrek 2* and *The Day After Tomorrow* are the scheduled movies

If you plan to attend, call to confirm the opening date at (734) 927-3284

'Stepford Wives' flops like undercooked souffle

BY CHRISTY LEMIRE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Faith Hill's character in *The Stepford Wives*, a beautiful Barbie doll of a suburban housewife, spins wildly out of control while square dancing at a Fourth of July celebration in the idyllic Connecticut town that gives the film its title

Then she falls to the floor with a thud and twitches a few times as smoke and sparks spew from her head, indicating to newcomer Joanna Eberhart (Nicole Kidman) that maybe this woman, and the others in town, aren't as perfect as they seem - or even human

The moment is an apt symbol for the film as a whole

It begins promisingly enough as a fast and funny satirization of a lily-white, Lilly Pulitzer existence, and it looks great. The houses, clothes and cars are dead-on, and everything is bathed in a shimmering, picture-perfect light

Then after about an hour, *The Stepford Wives* takes an abrupt turn to a darker tone, and the last half-hour feels hastily tacked-on. Ultimately, it also lands with a thud

According to myriad, breathless insider reports, fighting and re-shoots plagued this \$90 million, all-star production (Besides Kidman, the cast includes Bette Midler, Matthew Broderick, Glenn Close and Christopher Walken)

Truly, who knows? We can, however, deduce that the film was edited clunkily, especially toward the end

The real problem seems to have originated far earlier. Why remake *The Stepford Wives* in the first place?

ORIGINAL

The original 1975 film, based on Ira Levin's novel and starring Katharine Ross, was played straight as a horrifying cautionary tale during a time of burgeoning women's independence

The men in town replaced their wives with happy, homemaking robots, if you ran a white-gloved finger across it, you wouldn't find a speck of irony. And to this day, placing the word "Stepford" in front of anything immediately suggests obsessive rigidity and artificial idealism

Here, director Frank Oz and screenwriter Paul Rudnick (who also collaborated on 1997's *In & Out*) go for big,

broad laughs - then they shift sharply and try to make heavy, meaty statements about society and gender roles

The concept seems anachronistic, as did the premise of *Mona Lisa Smile*, in which Julia Roberts taught the women of Wellesley in 1953 that it's OK to think for yourself

Kidman serves as a the source of enlightenment this time as Joanna, a hard-driving TV network president who specializes in reality shows that, amusingly, don't look too different from current prime-time offerings. (One game show, which pits a husband and wife against each other with a button in between them, resembles *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire* and even features its host, Meredith Vieira)

After Joanna gets fired and suffers a nervous breakdown, her husband, Walter Kresby (Broderick), packs up her and their two kids and moves them from Manhattan to sunny Stepford, "Connecticut's family paradise"

On arrival, she's a little freaked out by her perfectly coiffed neighbors, Claire Wellington (Close), who functions as the town's prom queen, leads the other women in giddy aerobics exercises based on household tasks

But Walter likes that the women are beautiful and domestic. He also likes the men's association, an overgrown frat house where the guys sit around all day, smoking cigars, drinking whiskey and playing video games (Walken, as Claire's husband, Mike, is their big kahuna)

Joanna finds fellow skeptics in two other new neighbors: sarcastic writer Bobbie Markowitz (Midler) and flamboyant architect Roger Bannister (Roger Bart)

One by one, though, they undergo Stepfordization, too (Roger's partner, a gay Republican, uses the technology to turn him into a generic candidate for state office in a Brooks Brothers suit)

This is where the tone changes irreparably

As Joanna investigates further, the film's misogyny and irrelevance become crystal clear - and attempts at dark humor from this point feel flatter than an undercooked souffle

The Stepford Wives a Paramount Pictures release is rated PG 13 for sexual content thematic material and language. Running time: 93 minutes. Two stars out of four

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Festivals

Festival brings Arabic culture into mainstream

The goal seems so important now to introduce others to the rich Arabic culture and bridge cultural differences through food, music and dance

Cultural understanding is the reason Asian, African, Indian, Mexican and other types of cuisine will be offered alongside Arabic at the 9th Annual Dearborn Arab International Festival, Friday-Sunday

Arabic song, dance and cuisine will dominate the family event that takes up 12 city blocks, but there will also be Spanish, Mexican and Indian music. A multi-ethnic bazaar will feature art, jewelry and more.

"It's a great way to introduce non-Arabs to Arabic culture, it gives residents of southeastern Michigan a better taste of the culture and a chance to see this vibrant community that many people hear about but never experienced," said Nasser Beydoun, festival executive director.

There's a strong sense of family at the

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event, which attracted more than 200,000 people last year.

"It's really geared for parents and children," said Beydoun. "It's safe, there's no alcohol, there's a big carnival, a *Sesame Street* event, children's tents and more. Because of it, the festival builds every year on its own success."

It's become so popular that people from other states travel to Michigan just to attend. Beydoun said that 40 children from Impact International, a Louisiana church, were so enthralled by it five years ago that they come back every year as volunteers.

Last year's festival was televised world wide to more than 26 million viewers via Comcast Cable, MediaOne, Future Television and ART and two Arab language networks with affiliates in the U.S., Canada and the Middle East.

Entertainment highlights include jazz musicians Blackman & Arnold, the Habibi Dancers of Michigan, an authentic Middle Eastern troupe, Mariachi bands, puppet shows, magicians, and popular musicians Bassam Saleh, Rana and Nam.



They'll be dancing in the streets at the ninth Annual Dearborn Arab International Festival. The event, which celebrates Arabic music, dance, and cuisine, takes up 12 city blocks.

MUSIC HIGHLIGHTS

Friday June 18

6 p.m. Maple School drummers 6:30 p.m. Blackman & Arnold 8 p.m. Shady Hashim 8:40 p.m. Sausan 9:20 p.m. Bassam Saleh

Saturday, June 19

3:30 p.m. Nuevo Zapopan Mariachi 6:30 p.m. Afrah Al Yemen 8 p.m. Suliman Suliman 9:15 p.m. Madgy Al Hussein

Sunday June 20

3:30 p.m. Ta Amullat Middle Eastern Dance Troupe 4:30 p.m. William Youmans (aka Iron Sheik) 5:30 p.m. Nasser Habib 6 p.m. Mahmoud Beydoun 6:30 p.m. Rana and Nam

FESTIVAL

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Butler

"It's one of the best free jazz events of the season," Witz said. This year the music budget was expanded 50 percent to attract bigger names.

Last year 16 restaurants participated. This year there are at least 25 including Howe's Bayou, Chuck's on The Boulevard and Andre's Louisiana Seafood.

There's a carnival with 25 rides to attract families, including the wild Himalaya, scenic Gondola Wheel, and of course, the Zipper.

The Body, Mind & Spirit Fair features psychic readers, yoga, natural cosmetic booths and other New Age products and services. You can even get a massage.

Artists will display works in a variety of media including ceramics, fabric and fiber, leather, mixed media, painting, photography, wood, digital art, drawing, graphics and printmaking, glass, jewelry and metal.

JAMBALAYA chairman and Pontiac Mayor Willie Payne calls the festival a quality of life initiative.

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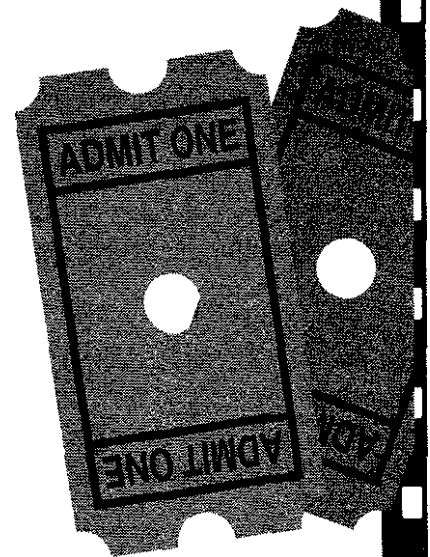
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On stage

'Business as Unusual' makes you part of the corporate madness

Could anything be funnier than American corporate culture?

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Dave Davies, a designer at Ford Motor Company, ought to know. No wonder he's directing the comedy, *Business as Unusual*, opening Friday at Planet Ant Theatre in Hamtramck.

The show runs through Sunday, July 11

"Just consider the diversity of people that work in the environment" said Davies, who collaborated with three local comedians, Brett Guannel, Quintin Hicks and Tim Robinson, to develop the play purely from improvisational scene work.

The three performers depict about 30 "corporate characters" in the two-hour production. The setting in *Business as Unusual* is the headquarters of fictional TQB Umcorp. The action simply unfolds

around a typical work day

The catch: It incorporates the audience, immediately welcoming them as new employees right after the curtain goes up.

Later on, members of the audience even attend employee meetings. But Davies promises performers won't work too hard to embarrass bashful audience members.

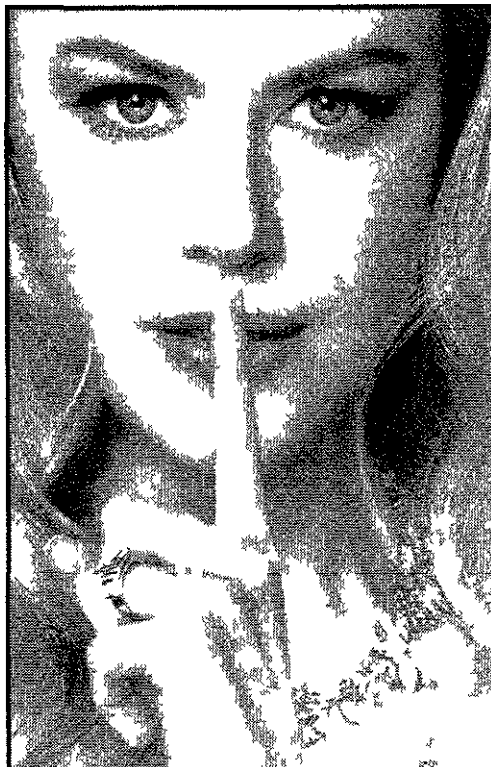
"It's a play, but it's a bit like sketch comedy," said Davies.

Business as Unusual apparently comes

with a few awesome special effects courtesy of stage manager Tommy LeRoy.

"He should work for Disney or something," commented Davies, who declined to describe the exact nature of the effects, saying only, "If a play and a simulation ride got married, this would be their baby."

The play opens Friday and runs through July 11. For tickets or details, call (313) 365-4948. The Planet Ant Theatre is located at 2357 Caniff in Hamtramck.



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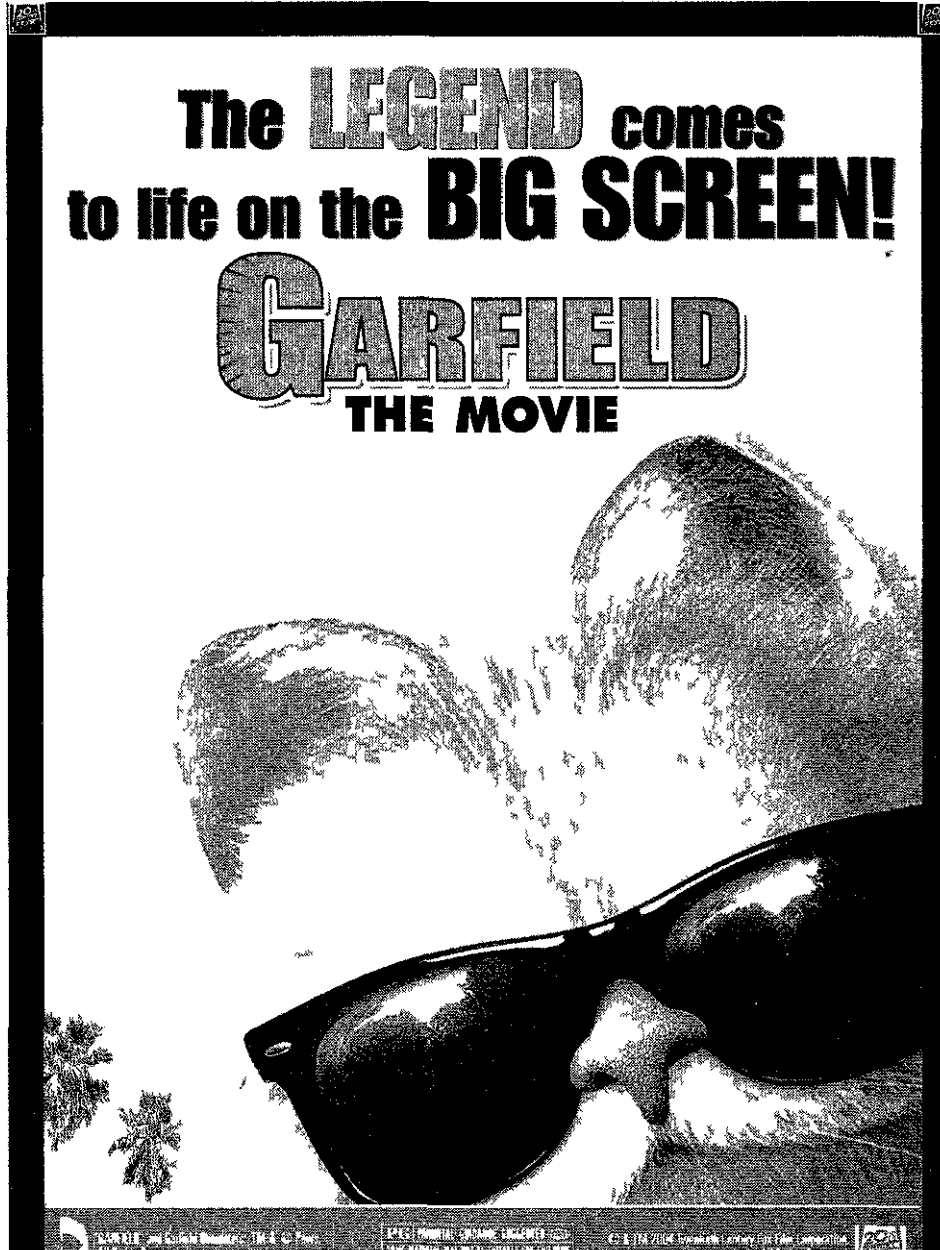
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**THE ART OF ROCK
N' ROLLING**

What: An art exhibit featuring the works of Bon Jovi drummer Tico Torres and Harley-Davidson artist, Scott Jacobs.
Where: Park West Gallery, 29469 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, (800) 521-9654 or www.parkwestgallery.com

When: Through Wednesday, July 7.
Open: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Wednesday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Friday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

More information about the artist: Visit www.ticotorres.com

Painted rock

Bon Jovi member drums up interest in his paintings

Tico Torres clutches a cup of coffee with his left hand and moves his right in big circular motions on the canvas of his finished painting
"Come on," Torres says
"Touch it. It's just paint, don't be afraid to feel it. You should feel it with your eyes and hands."

Torres continues moving his hand along the vivid acrylic colors of blue, red and gold that he created. Then he takes a step back and scans the gigantic Park West Gallery in Southfield.

"This space is incredible, it feels good," the 50-year-old Bon Jovi drummer says.

Torres was in town recently for the opening of the exhibit, *The Art of Rock n' Rolling*, which runs through July 7. His paintings and ceramics are the rock, Harley-Davidson painter Scott Jacobs is the roll.

The two artists from New Jersey are longtime acquaintances and have wanted to showcase their work together for years. The Park West exhibit is their first and both said they eventually will create a piece together.

Bon Jovi has sold more than 100 million albums worldwide, yet many fans don't realize Torres is an accomplished painter.

"I get better reviews for my paintings than my music," he says.

Born to Cuban parents, Torres spent years in Varadero, Cuba. The history, sights and sounds of his birth country is the foundation for his creativity.

Today, he uses his rock star status to benefit his artistic curiosities.

"I'm really lucky," Torres says. "I can use my name to have a cup of coffee or glass of wine with almost any artist I want. I can see their work and learn and discuss art."

RHYTHM AND HUES

Torres says his inspiration comes from rich life experiences. He recently became a father for the first time. He's suffered a failed marriage and embraced a new one. He travels the world meeting artists - emerging, unknown and accomplished - on every continent. For more than 20 years, he's played with Bon Jovi in sold-out concert halls worldwide. He has art exhibits throughout the world.

Those experiences are expressed on canvas - they're bold, vivid and animated. Torres has a strong, confident style. Walking through Park West, he talks about the pieces, which in many ways are reminiscent of Edvard Munch and the German Expressionists.

Thoughts of the Past portrays Cher, a friend of his. Another, *Gambling Lady*, is a portrayal of how he imagines an elegant casino woman from years past. Another painting pays homage to Picasso, one of Torres' favorite artists.

"It's the way I see him," Torres says.

Torres is genuinely curious about the world. He'll give personal interpretations of his paintings if asked, but would rather hear the comments of others.

"Once it's on canvas, it's not mine anymore. It's for anyone to interpret," he says. "When I paint, I'll usually play classical music, maybe Mozart, and I paint what I'm feeling at that moment. If it evokes a different emotion on someone else, that's OK."

Yet if the paintings reflect his emotions, it's evident that music is more than a career for Torres. On a stage, behind the drum kit, Torres is part of a band, a team in which together they express their creativity through pop rock.

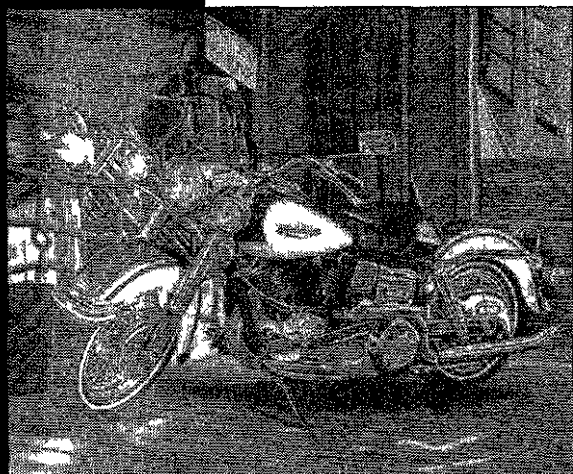
As a painter, the originality is his own. It's his soul and he isn't afraid to place it out for viewing.

Well maybe a little.

"I'm always nervous when my paintings are hung at an exhibit for the first time," says Torres. "But it's a good fear. It's an emotion and that's life."



Tico Torres, Bon Jovi drummer, is also a renowned painter. 'All That Jazz' is one of the paintings featured in the exhibit.



Scott Jacobs is one of Harley-Davidson's handful of official artists. He is part of an exhibit called 'The Art of Rock n' Rolling.'

Artist uses wine, Harleys as muses

Scott Jacobs' career as an artist has taken interesting turns and has been wildly successful

The San Diego gallery owner received a set of paints from his wife for Christmas years ago and discovered his love for holding the brush

Soon after, he was painting portraits for celebrities like Malcolm Forbes, supermodels Kim Alexis and Kathy Ireland, and Joan Lunden

Now Jacobs uses Harley-Davidsons as inspiration His style is photo-realistic, sometimes mixed with a bit of surreal

Chances are if you've seen a Harley painting, it's one of Jacobs' pieces, he was Harley's first official licensed artist

Jacobs' career is expanding further as he's also painting wines Reds and whites, glasses and bottles

"I started painting Harleys because

I'm really interested in them and I wanted to paint something with wide appeal," Jacobs said "Wine is so popular, it's something that would be appealing to hang in a dining room

Both his Harley and wine works can be seen in the two-man exhibit *The Art of Rock 'n' Rolling* at Park West Gallery

Jacobs, a native of New Jersey, shares the bill with fellow artist and friend Tico Torres, who also happens to be the drummer for Bon Jovi

Jacobs visited Michigan, with Torres, for the exhibit kickoff — their first ever together

Jacobs' works have been featured in *VQ Magazine*, *Art Business News*, *Easy Rider Magazine* and more HD enthusiasts like Peter Fonda, Lorenzo Lamas and John Elway are collectors of his work.

See it before it rolls out of town July 7

Lathrup Village changes the picture of annual event

BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

Instead of its annual summer family kick-off picnic, Lathrup Village will mix things up with its first-ever art fair

Art in the Park, from noon to 5:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in Annie Lathrup Park, 27400 Southfield Road, between 11 and 12 Mile roads, will feature 87 juried artists, live entertainment and food

"We wanted to do something really different this year," said Maralee Rosemund, Lathrup Village recreation coordinator "After 15 or 20 years, the annual picnic got old," she said

At the fair visitors will see a variety of work — pottery, oils, watercolor, jewelry and clothing — from local and national artists

Live entertainment, including the Caribbean steel band Uprizin, will fill the park with music Food will be available for purchase from Jackson Five Star Catering and others

And children can "make and take" various art projects such as mosaic frames at the children's art tent on Sunday for \$5

"There's something for everybody," Rosemund said

The fair is sponsored by the Lathrup Community Foundation and the city of Lathrup Village

Trio co-headlines at Freedom Hill

It's easy to lose yourself in the labyrinth of singer-songwriter Rufus Wainwright's emotional, eclectic, lush, and oftentimes strange, music

He'll take listeners through the maze, joining Guster and Ben Folds Five, at 7 p.m. Sunday, June 20, at the Jerome Duncan Ford Theatre in Sterling Heights

The three acts are co-headlining, playing about one hour each

Wainwright is the son of folk music luminary Loudon Wainwright III His latest album, *Want One*, follows 2001's *Poses* Originally planned as a two-disc release, *Want Two* is expected out soon

Ben Folds Five, a three-member band,

plays sans guitar with piano as a replacement Ben Folds, lead singer/songwriter, has an awesome reputation as a pop piano player Like Wainwright, he's influenced by many different musical genres, from rock to classical The band describes itself as punk rock for sissies

Guster also tracks the pop/alternative rock genre

There's no bassist, and the drumming is unique, stick-less with lots of congas Guster's latest album is entitled *Careful Keep It Together* Folds has not released a full-length studio set since 2001, but issued two new EPs last year *Speed Graphic* and *Sunny 16*

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'America's first palace of bocce'

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

Unique restaurant concepts, often doubling as entertainment complexes, are among the most successful today

Palazzo di Bocce, "America's first palace of bocce," as owner Anthony Battaglia dubs it, is one of a kind fun entertainment. With food and beverage operations run by well-known area Certified Executive Chef Michael Thomas Jr. (owner of the popular but now closed Rustica Europa in Rochester Hills), consider it a first-rate place to also enjoy Italian food.

The 32,000-square-foot Palazzo di Bocce, with a handsome bar and 150-seat restaurant and bocce tournament center, opened June 14. Battaglia chose the Automation Alley area of Orion Township because that's where he found a sufficiently large tract of land near upscale subdivisions and large corporate workplaces.

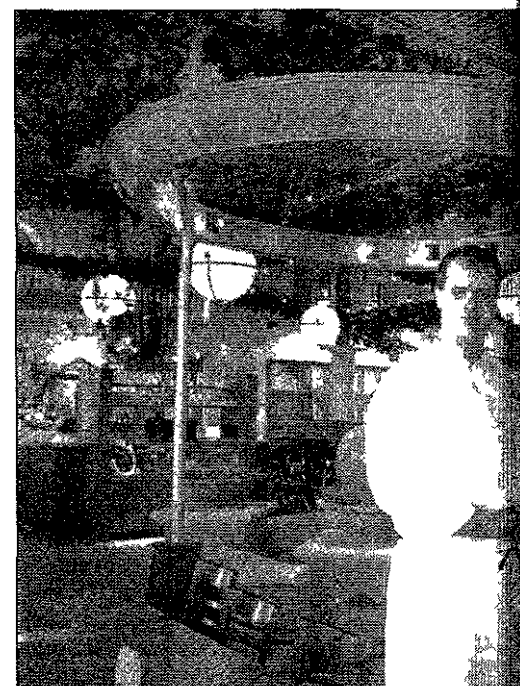
Battaglia, a U.S. silver medallist bocce player and career commercial builder, invested millions in personal savings to finance the venture. Although his inspiration for the facility was Campo di Bocce in Los Gatos, Calif., in the heart of Silicon Valley, he spent 10 years visiting bocce clubs around the world, including several in Milan, Italy, and incorporating the best ideas in his business plan.

In the final stages of construction, Battaglia brought five experienced Italian professional bocce court builders to the Palazzo site. Over 14 days, they used the building equipment and materials shipped in two containers from overseas to complete the tournament regulation-size bocce courts.

Bryan Battaglia, Anthony's son and a certified referee in the Ontario Bocce Federation, is director of bocce operations. Over the years, the father and son team have played at the Sylvan Lake Bocce Club.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Mahogany wood looks superbly rich against Italian tile flooring with decorative inlays. Potted citrus plants, waterfalls, old-time Italian village wells and vine-covered



Certified executive chef Michael Thomas presents roast

trellises overhead offer the impression of a palatial courtyard that brings the outdoors in.

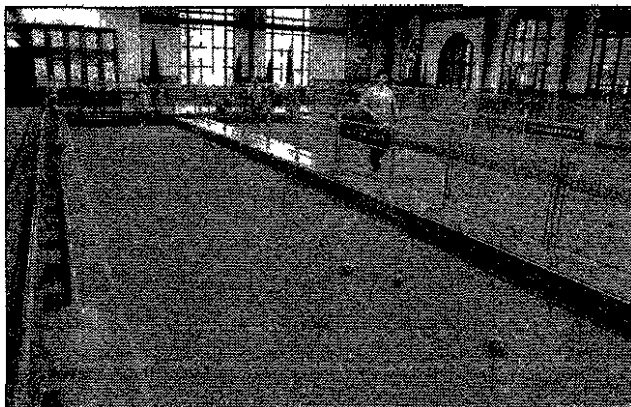
Six out of 10 bocce courts parallel the restaurant, so diners can watch the game while eating. While playing, courtside service at private tables is available. Banquet options for up to 150 people at corporate outings, rehearsal dinners, bachelor or bachelorette parties and family reunions raise the fun aspects of such events.

For \$8 per person minimum and four persons per court for 1 1/2 hours of bocce play, add on moderate food costs and have yourself a party because options are endless.

ITALIAN MENU

Although the menu was designed by Chef Michael, Palazzo's kitchen is run by Chef de Cuisine Tony Murray, who gained experience at such spots as the Capital Grille and McCormick & Schmick's.

Chef Tony and Chef Michael are of one mind. "It's fun to cook Italian," Chef Michael



Palazzo di Bocce is 'America's first palace of bocce' Six out of 10 bocce courts parallel the restaurant, so diners can watch the game while eating

Mussels in Orion



quail in natural glaze

said 'It's simple and always fresh, never overdone. It's food with life. How can you beat that?'

Items on the menu are familiar to Italian food lovers. Among antipasti, there's Calamari Fritti, Scampi Con Agho, Pepperoni e Salsiccia and a Chef Michael special, Cozze, farm-raised mussels steamed with garlic and white wine or in a marinara sauce.

An assortment of 12-inch thin-crust pizzas, salads and pastas dot the menu. Specialties include Filetti, twin-grilled tenderloin medallions on garlic crostini, topped with grilled tomato and gorgonzola-sage sauce, garlic and rosemary-marinated lamb chops, char-grilled to order, and Gamberi, grilled shrimp with roasted garlic, sundried tomatoes and basil.

Wine, beer and spirits, along with a selection of soft drinks, round out the beverage offerings.

BOCCE RULES

Bocce is played by two teams of up to four



Roast quail in natural glaze with asparagus hash and mushrooms is beautifully presented

players, who roll or throw bocce balls at a small target ball called a pallino. The game is played in innings on composite surface courts until teams accumulate points toward a total of 12 or 15 (decided in advance of play).

Throwing balls toward a target is a sport dating back to 5,200 B.C., when the Egyptians played a form of bocce with polished rocks!

If you've never played, watch a few innings then have at it. Palazzo di Bocce offers novel entertainment and good food for the entire family.

Eleanor Heald is a Troy resident who writes about restaurants for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Contact her by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com

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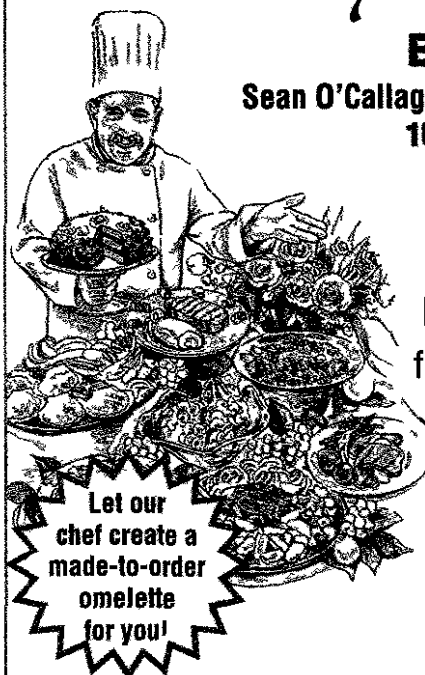


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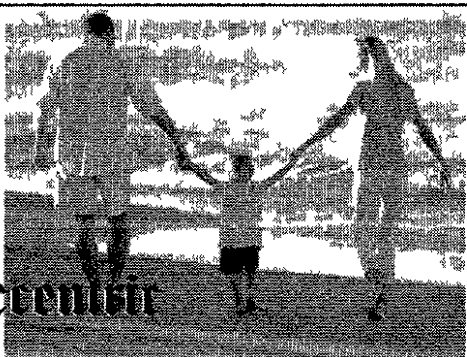
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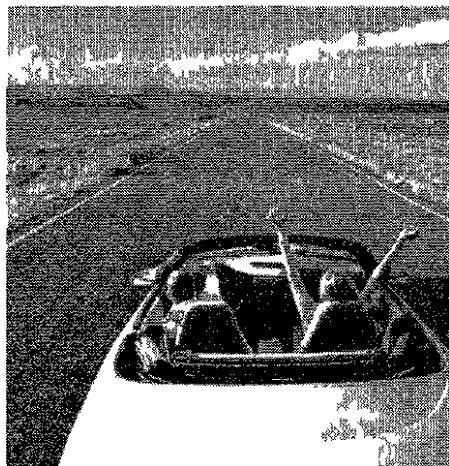
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BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
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BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

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With a variety of wines from around the country and food from local area restaurants, your taste buds will likely soar into a flavor frenzy Saturday and Sunday at Meadow Brook's International Wine and Food Festival in Rochester.

Now in its fourth year, the annual festival has gone global for the first time, featuring award-winning wineries from Italy, France, Spain, Chile, Germany, Australia and New Zealand.

"We wanted to add more variety to the festival and bring in a larger crowd," said Carrie Browning, assistant to the senior vice president of Palace sports and events.

Festival-goers can enjoy wine samples and food from area restaurants, listen to non-stop live entertainment from local bands, attend wine seminars and view live on-stage cooking demonstrations

"It's a great opportunity to sample wine and eat food from renowned chefs," Browning said. "It's an interesting place to socialize, too."

Throughout the two-day festival, seminars will take place at the various wine tents where representatives from the wineries will describe the types of wines available.

SWEET AND DRY

Browning said the seminars will describe the tastes, sweetness and dryness of different wines and explain which types go best with certain meals.

The festival is a great place to learn about wines because you can try a wine to see if you like it before you buy an entire bottle, she said.

Also, visitors can watch chefs prepare food on-stage at scheduled times throughout the weekend. The master area chefs will be preparing some of their favorite dishes including cured salmon rosemary foccacia tart with grilled tenderloin (chef Kipp Bourdeau from Bistro Bourdeau)

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Tickets for the event include a set amount of free wine samples, wine and food seminars and entertainment. Tickets

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Music

Rising up in a Blazer of glory

The world of pop music is harshly competitive, but Justine Blazer seems to be moving through it as smoothly as her alto-soprano voice

Blazer has sung at Madison Square Garden, sung backup with legendary R&B singer Freddie Scott, and paid her singing dues working a grueling schedule as a singer and dancer at Cedar Point Amusement Park.

But the 20-year-old blonde from Canton is no diva.

She's survived tough times the death of a musical partner whom she planned to live with resulted in a stint of homelessness in New York. Living from her car, she said, triggered depression

Blazer is back in Canton writing songs, and said enduring tough times is what's shaped the message of survival in her music

The singer/songwriter/producer/recording artist has high hopes to be a big name in the pop world. She uses names like Farth Hill, Christina, and Norah Jones as her inspiration and has a Britney Spears youthful style

Blazer is singing Saturday, June 19, at Liberty Festival in Canton's Heritage Park, where she'll perform *Raining in the City*, a

JUSTINE BLAZER

Genre: Pop

When: 1 p.m. Saturday June 19 at the Liberty Festival at Heritage Park 1010 S. Canton Center Road Canton, (734) 394-0625

Web: www.justineblazer.com

song of which she's proud

"The lyrics might seem to be on the surface of that song, but there's some deep meaning to it," Blazer said. "Of course I'd love to rise up in success, but I'm also happy performing at community events. Through everything I've been through, I've realized that I'm just lucky to be here and enjoy today"

While developing her career, Blazer is also working toward a degree in performing arts. She's sung for the Detroit Rockers soccer team, the Plymouth Whalers and worked auto shows nationwide for Chevrolet. Recently she starred in a *Jimmy Kimmel Live!* commercial and last year performed Madison Square Garden at the New York Film and Music Festival

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20 **Shawn Colvin / Cowboy Junkies**
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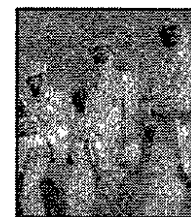
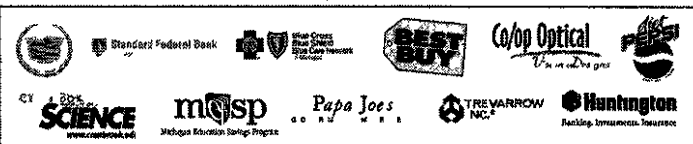
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SEPTEMBER

4 **The Robert Cray Band** **Just Added**
8 **Norah Jones***

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Family fun

Detroit fireworks go retro, but there's plenty of kids' stuff, too

The annual light, color and sound spectacle that electrifies the Motor City skyline and a whopping million-plus people just days before the Fourth of July goes retro this year.

Set to begin at 10:06 p.m. Wednesday, June 23, the Marshall Field's Target Fireworks display will go up to the musical sounds of the late '70s and '80s.

And the hope is patriots take the hint and turn out in retro attire.

"How many of those '70s and the '80s fashions are back in right now?" said Jennifer Wells, communications director at The Parade Company, which produces the flagship event of the International Freedom Festival. "Why not dress up like that and go down?"

In its 46th year, the festival symbolizes the enduring friendship between the United States and Canada.

The 30-minute fireworks show features 10,000 pyrotechnic effects, so that's some heavy-duty choreography on the Detroit River.

But careful planning also underlies the musical lineup - from The Weather Girls' *It's Raining Men* to Queen's *We are the Champions* to the J. Geils Band's 1981 hit, *Freeze Frame*.

News/Talk 760 WJR AM simulcasts the retro tunes, while WDIV Local 4 broadcasts the fireworks show live, starting at 9 p.m.

But what about all those fireworks watchers born long after the '80s?



THE PARADE COMPANY

Marshall Field's Target Fireworks features 10,000 pyrotechnic effects.

JUST FOR KIDS

Well, The Parade Company has planned an entire afternoon of children's activities. The program is called Head Start KidZone, and it takes place from noon to 6 p.m. in Hart Plaza.

Highlights include the Monster Mural, a giant illustra-

DETROIT TRADITION

What: Marshall Field's Target Fireworks with Head Start KidZone, a pre-fireworks event for children age 5 and up.

When: Wednesday, June 23 (rain date is Thursday, June 24) fireworks begin at 10:06 p.m. at 9 p.m. WDIV Local 4 broadcasts live and News/Talk 760 WJR AM simulcasts choreographed music. KidZone activities run noon to 6 p.m.

Where: Downtown Detroit along the Detroit River, from Belle Isle to Clark Street. KidZone takes place in Hart Plaza.

Tickets: Free for information, contact The Parade Company at (313) 923-7400 or www.theparade.org.

tion waiting for decoration by pint-sized attendees, and a Michigan State Fairgrounds practice area where kids can test their skills at potato sack-racing, bubble-gum blowing, hula-hooping and more.

There's also arts and crafts, clowns, stilt-walkers, a moonwalk and face-painting.

"People camp out for the fireworks from the night before," said Wells. "It's crazy. So we try to give people things to do while they're waiting."

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PROFESSIONAL THEATER

Heartlande Theatre Company

Festival featuring 19 new plays and 12 hours of performance, noon to midnight, Saturday, June 19, Studio Theatre in Varner Hall, campus of Oakland University in Rochester Hills. Day pass \$40, half-day pass \$25, hour pass \$5 at the door. Writers workshops by Milan Stitt and Vincent Cardinal. Business of Playwright, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, June 26, \$25 staged readings, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 24, 8 p.m. Friday, June 25, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, June 26, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 27. Visit www.heartlande.com/for_details

Plowshares Theatre Co

Seven Guitars by August Wilson, set in Pittsburgh's blues community in 1948, playing through June 20. Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 E. Warren, Detroit. \$25 regular, \$15 matinee, discounts for tickets purchased in advance, seniors and students. (313) 872-0279

Gem Theatre

Menopause: The Musical, 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday, 4 p.m. Saturday, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Gem Theatre, 333 Madison, Detroit. All shows through June 30, sold out. Tickets available for shows July 1-11, \$39-50, groups of 10-14, \$36-50. (313) 963-9800. Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or visit www.gemtheatre.com

Detroit Repertory Theatre

Unspoken Prayers by Claudia Allen, through June 27, 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday, 3 p.m. & 8:30 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sunday, \$17-13103 Woodrow Wilson, Detroit. (313) 868-1347. www.detroitreptheatre.com

COMMUNITY/COLLEGE THEATER

Village Players

The Recruiting Officer, a bawdy Restoration comedy, the first play to be

professionally staged in the colonies. Joint presentation of the Troy Historical Society and the Village Players Playhouse, 34660 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. 8 p.m. Friday, June 18, \$25. (248) 644-2075. Gala performance and auction, Saturday, June 19, Auction 5:30 p.m., performance 8 p.m. Gala tickets \$100 per person or \$150 per couple. Call (248) 524-3570

Original comedy

Yard Sale, written by Timothy Campos, premieres at the Hasting Street Ballroom, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 4 p.m. June 18-19 and June 25-26, 715 E. Milwaukee, Detroit. \$15. (313) 873-2955. www.fivecentsshort.com

Actors Company

Sleeping Beauty, 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 25, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Saturday, June 26, Village Players Playhouse, 34660 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. \$10, ages 11 to adult, \$9 up to 10 years old. (248) 644-2075



Kim Kashkashian, viola, performs at the Great Lakes Chamber Music Festival, 8 p.m. Thursday, June 24, at Kirk in the Hills in Bloomfield Township, 8 p.m. Saturday, June 26, at the Seligman Performing Arts Center in Birmingham, and 2 p.m. Sunday, June 27, at Kerrytown Concert House in Ann Arbor. For tickets and festival schedule, call (248) 559-2097 or visit www.great-lakeschambermusic.com

ArtInSoul Theatre Company

Presents the romantic comedy *It Had To Be You* by Renee Taylor and Joseph Bologna, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, June 18-19, 25-26, and 2 p.m. Saturday, June 19, Orion Art Center, 115 S. Anderson St., Lake Orion. \$10 in advance, \$15 at the door. (248) 693-4986

Avon Players

Auditions for its first show of the 2004/2005 season, *A Little Night Music*, a musical romance by Stephen Sondheim, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, June 20, 7 p.m. Monday, June 21, at the playhouse, 1185 Washington Road, one mile east of the intersection of Tienken and Rochester Roads in Rochester Hills. Registration begins one half hour prior to auditions. Auditions will consist of readings from the script, dancing, and selections from the musical score. Auditioners are also asked to bring sheet music to a song of their choice by composers such as Gilbert & Sullivan, Sigmund Romberg, or Johann Strauss Jr. Show dates are Sept. 10, 12, 17, 19, and 23. For more character and audition song information, visit www.avonplayers.org

Henry Ford Community College

Small Canary Songs by Darrell Wheat and *Transitions* by Sandee Rager, 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, June 17-27, Mackenzie Fine Arts Center, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. \$5. (313) 845-9817

LUNCH/DINNER THEATER

Genitti's Hole in the Wall

Wedding Bell Blues, interactive dinner theater comedy, \$45 per person. *The Trouble with 12*, children's lunch theater, interactive comedy, Saturday, Sunday, \$14-95, kids \$16-95, adults, 108 E. Main St., Northville. (248) 349-0522 for reservations/info

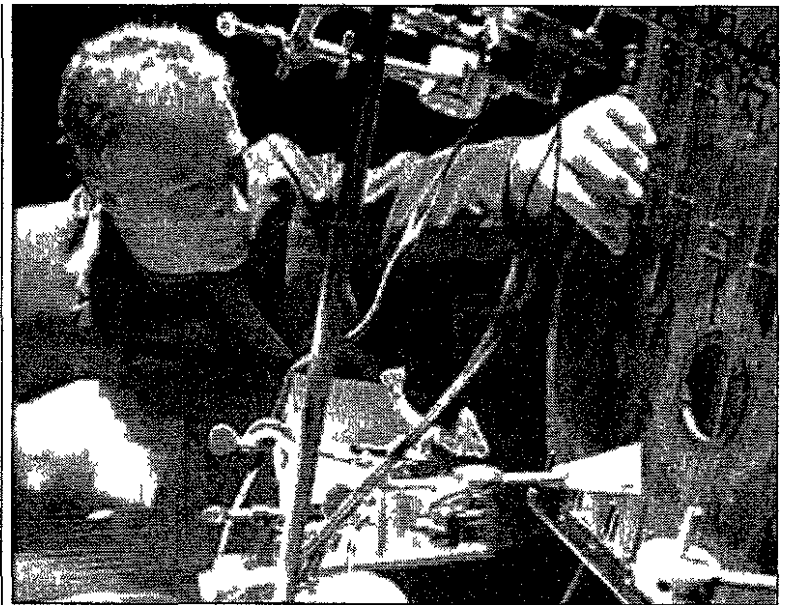
AUDITIONS

Farmington Players

Breath of Spring, a comedy by Peter Coke, 1:30 p.m. registration, auditions begin 2 p.m. Saturday, June 26, Farmington Players Community Theater, 32332 Twelve Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Performance dates Sept. 24, Oct. 16. (248) 553-2955

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble

Audition for metropolitan's premiere mod-



ern dance company Eisenhower Dance Ensemble, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, June 26, at the EDE Dance Center, 1541 West Hamlin, Rochester Hills. For information, call (248) 370-3024 or visit www.ede-dance.org

Frank Pahl will perform at Biddle Gallery, 2840 Biddle Ave. in Wyandotte, 7-9 p.m. Friday. Late night Thursday in downtown Wyandotte, participating galleries and shops, including Biddle Gallery, www.biddlegallery.com, stay open until 9 p.m. in the summer. Call Biddle Gallery at (734) 281-4779

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DSO

Auditions for young singers to sing the *Star Spangled Banner* with the DSO at the *Independence Day Salute to America* concerts at The Henry Ford. The audition is open to young singers age 18 and under, scheduled for Thursday, June 24, from 10 a.m. to noon at Greenfield Village's Martha Mary chapel on the Village Green. Winners will sing the National Anthem at one of the DSO's concerts, July 1 through July 4. Winners also receive four complimentary tickets. Be prepared to sing in B-flat or A-flat only. For more information, (313) 576-5590 or www.detroitssymphony.org

DANCE

Moondusters

Moondusters will host ballroom dancing to live bands featuring popular swing, fox trot, waltz, cha-cha and others, 8:30-11:30 p.m. every Saturday, \$6, dressy attire. Singles and married. Meet at the Livonia Civic Center, 15218 Farmington Road and Five Mile, Livonia. Ballroom dance lessons, 7-8 p.m. Saturday, call Joe, (248) 968-5197

Sky Club

DJ Cisco and MC Chico spin Salsa, Merengue, Bachata, Cha-Cha, and Latin House. Free Salsa Lessons, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday & Thursday by Energetic Soul and Troy Dance Studio. Doors open 8 p.m. \$5 cover, 21 & over welcome, 401 S. Lafayette (above Sangria Restaurant), downtown Royal Oak. (248) 756-4821 or www.danceindetroit.com

Half Past 3

DJ Cisco and DJ Alfredo spin Salsa, Merengue, and Bachata every Saturday at Half Past 3, 2554 Grand River, two blocks east of Motor City Casino, downtown

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Heat

DJ Art spins the best of Arabic dance music every Saturday at Heat 2 N. Saginaw, downtown Pontiac. Doors open 8 p.m. \$10 cover for gentlemen, \$5 cover for ladies, ladies free before 11 p.m. Proper attire required, 18 & over are welcome. (248) 756-4821 or www.arabiannightsofdetroit.com

GALLERY RECEPTIONS/ART WALKS

Ars Gratia Artis

Art for Art Sake, through June 26, Grosse Pointe Artists Association, 1005 Maryland, Grosse Pointe Park. Festival of the Arts, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 19, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, June 20, on the Hill between Kercheval and McMillan streets in Grosse Pointe Farms

Ferndale Art Walks

Thursdays, 6-9 p.m. June 17 & July 15, stops include Lemberg Gallery, 23241 Woodward Ave. (248) 591-6623 or www.lemberggallery.com

Patrick Olson Gallery

Artists reception, 7-9 p.m. Friday, June 18, Mark Revers, Lloyd Thomas, Sinisa Nedelkoski, Mayflower Center, second floor, 801 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 212, Plymouth. (734) 455-2200. www.patrickolsongallery.com

West Bloomfield Fine Art Festival

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, June 19-20, on the grounds of the Henry Ford Medical Center, 6777 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Parking available at the center and at the Jewish Community Center, 6600 W. Maple Road, with free shuttle to fair. For more information, call (248) 737-3758 or visit www.westbloomfieldchamber.com. For information on artist David Chapple, visit www.autoart.com

CONCERT

Swedish Singers

Grand Concert featuring 300 singers from 26 states 7:30 p.m. Friday June 25 Ford Community and Performing Arts Center 15801 Michigan Ave. Dearborn \$15 (517) 424-9333 or (517) 592-6750 www.swedishclub.net Part of the festivities for the American Union of Swedish Singers National Convention June 22-26 in Dearborn

The Art of Song and Heritage

A concert at Temple Israel in the Sanctuary featuring works by Handel Brahms Strauss Faure and Rachmaninoff. It will also feature Hebrew and Yiddish works including a Kiddish by Ravel. Showtime is 7 p.m. on Thursday June 24.

OUTDOOR CONCERTS/FESTIVALS

Ann Arbor Summer Festival

Twenty-three ticketed performances and free nightly outdoor. Top of the Park music and movies. Performances through Sunday July 4. Show times vary but most begin at 8 p.m. Top of the Park with movies 10 p.m. Sunday Thursday and live music 7 p.m. every night including Saturday and Sunday. Performances in the Power Center 121 Fletcher St. and Hill Auditorium 825 N. University Ave. Top of the Park outside on top of the Fletcher Street Parking Structure all on University of Michigan campus. Ann Arbor Performances run \$20-60. Visit www.annarborsummerfestival.org. For tickets call (734) 764-2538 or www.tickets.com

DSO in the park

The Metroparks Detroit Symphony Orchestra Concert series runs Friday June 25 at Kensington Metropark in Milford Saturday June 26 at Lake Erie Metropark in Brownstown and Sunday June 27 at Metro Beach Metropark in Mt. Clemens. Concerts are free except for park admission and begin at 8 p.m. For more details visit www.METROPARKS.com

Motor City Brass Band & Fireworks

9 p.m. on Wednesday at the City of Southfield's Star Spangled Fireworks Festival 20400 Evergreen Road in Southfield Civic Center during the fireworks.

FOLK/WORLD

At the Ark

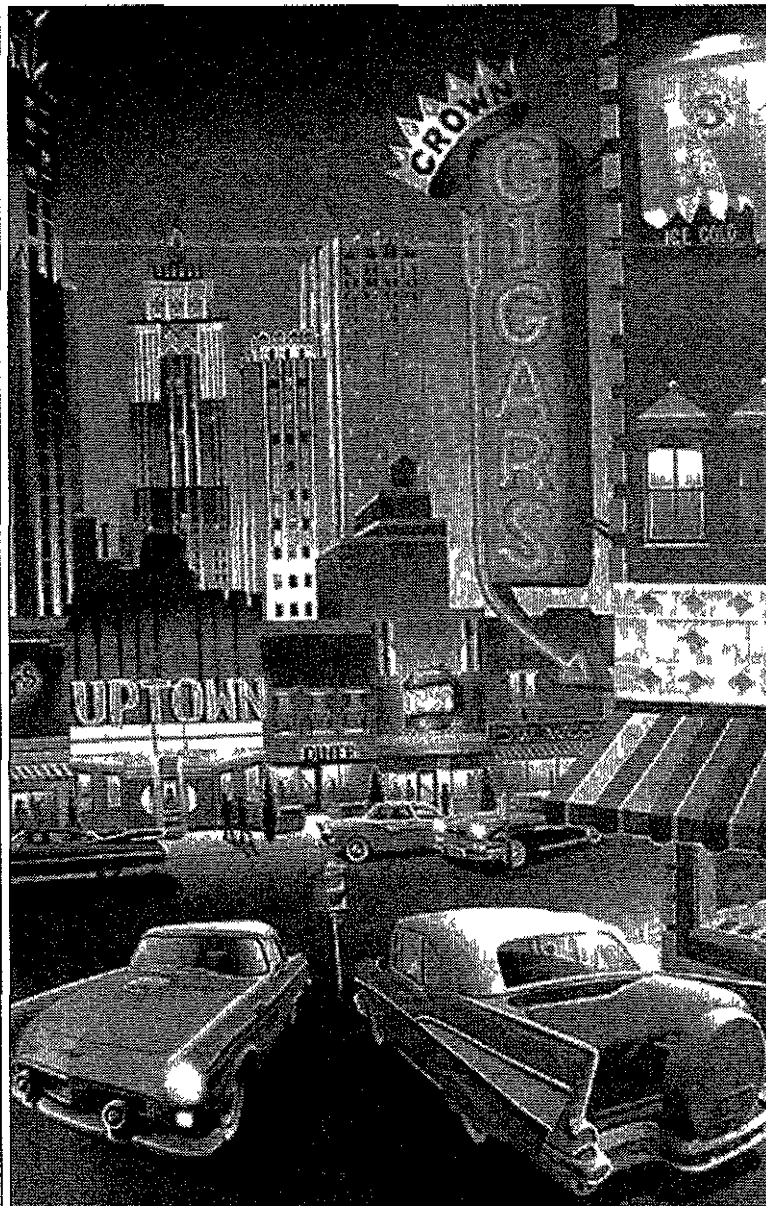
Folk legend Christine Lavin takes the stage at 8 p.m. Saturday June 26 at The Ark 316 South Main. Ann Arbor Tickets are \$17.50 call (734) 763-8587 or visit www.theark.org

Patrick Cowley & Sons

Blackthorn 9:30 p.m. Friday Irish folk music 33338 Grand River Farmington (248) 474-5941 www.johncowleys.com

Trinity House Theatre

Buddy Greene and Kenny Meeks 8 p.m. Thursday June 24 \$12 38840 W. Six Mile



The West Bloomfield Fine Art Festival is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday, June 19-20. The free event is on the grounds of the Henry Ford Medical Center, 6777 W. Maple Road, West Bloomfield. Featured artist is David Chapple, who created the colorful painting, *Uptown* (above).

Road Livonia (734) 464-6302 www.trinityhouse.org

JAZZ/POP

Edison's

John D. Lamb 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today Tall Cool One 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Friday Saturday 220 Merrill St. Birmingham (248) 645-2150 no cover

Matt Michaels
With Larry Nozero reeds 7:30-11 p.m. Wednesdays Ron's Fireside Inn 28937 Warren Garden City \$5 cover with dinner \$10 without dinner two drink minimum reservations recommended (734) 762-7756 Barbara Ware vocals June 30

COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club

Donnell Berry 9 p.m. Friday Saturday \$10 dinner show option available at Paisano's 5070 Schaefer Dearborn (313) 584-8885 www.joeyscomey.com or www.paisano1.com

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Dustin Diamond 8 p.m. Thursday 8 p.m. & 10:30 p.m. Friday Saturday discount for tickets purchased in advance 314 E. Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 996-9080

Jim Mouth

Ramey's Lounge 8 p.m. Friday Saturday June 18-19 Bakers of Milford (248) 685-0505

MUSEUMS

Detroit Zoo

Alligators Dragons in Paradise new interactive exhibit in the Wildlife Interpretative Gallery through Sept. 12 Wild Adventure Simulator showing Deep Sea The Ride a motion based film simulation that lets passengers experience what it's like to be beneath the ocean surface in a submarine searching for the two legendary monsters of the deep sea - the giant squid and sperm whale tickets \$4 does not include zoo admission \$10-50 adults kids 13 and older \$8-50 seniors 62 and older and children 2-12 no charge for children under 2

Intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward Avenue Royal Oak (248) 398-0900 www.detroitzoo.org

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum

New photography exhibit now through June 30 Dave Stapp uses digital photography to turn little pests into big ones. The larger than life exhibits features photos of preying mantis cane toads sphinx moths and more 220 East Ann St. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday Saturday noon to 5 p.m. Sunday \$6 children students & seniors \$7.50 adults (734) 995-KIDS or www.aahom.org

Historic Fort Wayne

Starting Saturday Historic Fort Wayne will be open Saturdays Sundays this summer 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Labor Day weekend Civil War Days with the 7th Michigan Volunteer Infantry on July 24-25 Guided tours of the grounds are offered during the day at a price of \$2 per person. Leaving regularly from the Fort's Visitors Center the tours will include the Star Fort built in the 1840s the Commanding Officer's House and the Spanish American War Guardhouse. Secured parking is \$5 per vehicle Picnic lunches and coolers will be permitted on the Fort grounds which offers a nice view of the Detroit River the Ambassador Bridge and Canada. However alcohol grills and pets will be denied entry and no fishing is permitted. Historic Fort Wayne is at 6325 W. Jefferson Ave. (at the foot of Livernois) in Detroit (313) 833-1805 or www.detroithistorical.org. Volunteers interested in helping out at the Fort this summer in a variety of capacities are encouraged to call the Detroit Historical Society at (313) 833-0481.

EXHIBITIONS/CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Print Gallery

Original pop art portraits by Tom Maniaci through July 31 29173 Northwestern Highway (Franklin Plaza at 12 Mile Road) Southfield (248) 356-5454 www.MonaLisaMania.com or www.everythingart.com

Pewabic Pottery

Please Set the Table settings by 14 artists from the U.S. and abroad through July 4 10125 E. Jefferson Detroit Gallery open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday Saturday (313) 822-0954 www.pewabic.com

Batista Gallery

Joseph Bernard's retrospective Boxed Set to June 30 756 Livernois Ferndale (248) 544-4627

District Arts Gallery

Mary Gillis the Great Lakes Series through June 26 955 S. Eton Birmingham (248) 258-9300 www.districtarts.com

Plymouth Community Arts Council

Landscapes and Florals impressionistic realism mixed media paintings by Andrea Tama through June 30 Gallery hours 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday Tuesday Thursday and Friday and 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Wednesday 774 N. Sheldon Plymouth (734) 416-4278

Artists Among Us

Entries sought for exhibition of fine art poetry and music to be presented Oct 26 to Dec 31 at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton. Sponsored by the Wayne County Council for Arts History & Humanities. Deadline to enter is Wednesday June 30 www.waynearts.org or call (313) 886-2993

Our Town

The Community House will present the 19th annual Our Town art exhibition and sale Oct 14-16. Artist applications are available at The Community House 380 S. Bates Street Birmingham or download at www.communityhouse.com. Deadline for applications is July 30. The juried all media art exhibition provides a forum for Michigan artists to show demonstrate and sell their work. The art ranges from traditional to contemporary. The jury awards \$10,000. For more information call Kathie Ninneman (248) 594-6403.

The Maniscalco Gallery

Father & Son A Portrait Retrospective featuring the Portraits of Joseph and Robert Maniscalco. Gala opening 6-9 p.m. on Friday June 25 Artist Talk 2-4 p.m. Sunday June 27 Located 11728 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe (313) 886-2993 www.maniscalcogallery.com

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Uptown Birmingham 8

Classic Film Series 11:10 a.m. 11:00 p.m. 3:15 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 7:20 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. every Wednesday 211 S. Old Woodward Ave. Birmingham \$5.50 (248) 644-FILM

CLUBS/BARS

Sevin The Nightclub

Sevin 40 W. Pike St. Pontiac (248) 745-7461 www.sevinthenightclub.com. Hours are 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Wednesday Friday and Saturday. Ranges from \$5 to \$20 no charge for ladies excluding special events and holidays.

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George & Harry's 22048 Michigan Ave. Dearborn Call (313) 359-2799. Friday and Saturday shows begin at 10:30 p.m. Weekday shows begin at 9 p.m.

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22726 Woodward Ferndale. All shows at 10 p.m. Ongoing Thursdays and Sundays comedy night and Fridays and Saturdays EvenExchange (Motown R & B and Jazz) Call (248) 548-8746

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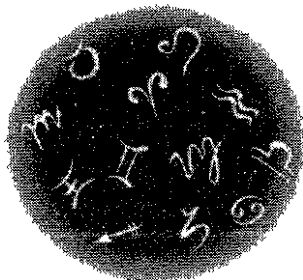
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Horoscope



Star Struck

(June 17 - June 19)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

A secret fantasy is making you feel so good about yourself that you want the whole world to know. That's not like you at all, but there are times when even should I shouldn't I type Aries need to express their innermost feelings. You're more emotional than you appear. Cavort with a confidant this week.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

You may be fixed and settled in your opinions and beliefs, but what happens this weekend will cause you to question the principles that guide your existence. It will also make you wonder if your life would be simpler if you weren't so darn serious!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Make it your goal this weekend to stop letting things that happened a long time ago affect the way you live now. What's done is done and forgotten, but if you learn from the experience, you'll find it easy to move on. Don't dwell on mistakes.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

The things that you want to stay the same will change this weekend, while the things you want to change will stay the same. That may not sound like very good galactic news, but it's the best possible outcome because you have been getting things backward lately.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Social plans will be uppermost in your mind and appointment book, but there's a danger you'll make promises that will hold you back. Enthusiasm is a wonderful thing, but taken too far it can also be an albatross around your neck. Don't make a big deal of something that isn't.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Gazooks - 99 percent of the time, you're cosmically careful to a fault, but every now and then you go the other way and overlook things a blind man would see. Mercury changing signs on Saturday does wonders for your self-confidence for the entire summer. Stand tall!

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

If you must lose your temper this week, make sure it's aimed at someone who deserves to be on the receiving end. If you lash out blindly, you might hurt someone who has done you no harm. Or do you have so many friends that you don't care? Of course not - be grand.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)

Words won't come easy to you this weekend, but actions will, so don't explain what you're doing or why. Let your deeds tell the story. However, just because you can't speak well doesn't mean you can't think. Ask yourself what effect your actions are likely to have.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Too many people want to be involved in what should be no more than a two-person affair, and you are in danger of sacrificing your astro advantage. Now, with Mercury, the planet of communication, changing signs Saturday offers the chance to regain ground you lost around Christmas. Don't miss it!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Something will happen over the next few days that makes you take your physical, mental and emotional well-being far more seriously than you have been. It will also force you to admit that you've been working too hard or putting energy in areas that didn't truly require you. Give yourself a break.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

You are coming to an end of a very important astro cycle, and you must step back from everyday matters and look at your life as a whole. The more you learn about yourself over the next two weeks, the easier your path will be as autumn approaches. Ease up - now!

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

You have far more control over your present circumstances than you realize and much to gain from a new attitude or approach at work or home. Mercury entering your bedpartner element Sunday for four weeks may initially throw you off course - but only briefly. Remain true to your principles.

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Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

Show

Dear Chicago Over

the years I've sacrificed so many friends who found escape in your skyscraper bosom. It's much cooler with you, they always say. You just take and take. And unless I am in your grasp, I hardly ever get anything in return. Until now. It may be just a show, but it's nice to see you are finally starting to pay me back.

The Ponys of Chicago with their Jim Diamond produced latest in tow are half English post-punk and half '60s rock revivalists. While the sister and brother team **The Fiery Furnaces** also originally from Chicago (but who moved to Brooklyn) make art folk/garage rock/electro music that melts itself into something that sounds like everything and nothing all at once. Taken together, this show will be better than the pizza.

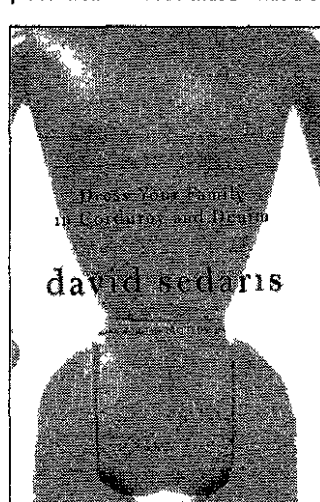
Both bands will bring the noise Friday to the Magic Stick, 4120 Woodward Ave. in Detroit. Doors open at 9. Cover is \$10. 18 and up.



Two out of four members of The Ponys prefer wacky socks. They will play Friday with The Fiery Furnaces at the Magic Stick.

Book

Some people wish they were born into royalty. I wish I was born a Sedaris. In his latest collection of personal essays, **Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim**, David Sedaris once again tackles the mundane of life with an eye few could refuse. It's genius. Previously published in *Esquire*, *GQ* and *The New Yorker* and presented on *This American Life*, the book brings all these essays together in one place, well, because that's what a collection of



essays does really. In this collection, Sedaris concentrates almost solely on his family and especially his deceased mother, who he has rarely addressed with such a compassionate understanding. *Blood Work* involving

a man who performs a shockingly personal act in the author's presence, and *The Girl Next Door* about his mother's reaction when a 9-year-old neighbor girl's bizarre behavior prompts him to move, are the kind of totally insane stories that could only happen to someone like Sedaris.

In short, Sedaris has truly come into form, highlighting the ridiculousness of everyday life while displaying a tenderhearted edge - something his earlier essays lacked. In previous writings, readers walked away with aching sides. This time, you'll walk away with an added sigh.

Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy. Bury her in presents or send information regarding local entertainment events to stardy@oe.homecomm.net or 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. Information on local entertainment, bands, films, clubs, restaurants, books or other ideas to be featured in this column can be submitted. And she doesn't bite. Often.

Local music

There is a joke in Detroit that goes: In a certain artist sector of Detroit (Cass Cafe, anyone?) there are those who make the music and those who make documentaries about those who make music. This weekend should be full of great footage for that second group.

First up is **Out of the Garage II**. The Grande Nationals, Nice Device, GT40s and Colic will all provide some down and dirty rock. The show is Thursday at St. Andrew's Hall. Doors open at 7 p.m. Cover is \$7. All Ages.

And this weekend, be at what *USA Today* has called one of the best music festivals this year. With 30 bands, **Rock City Fest** will include such local acts as The Paybacks, The Sights, Blanche, The Dirtbombs and The Detroit Cobras. And a bunch of other local acts dubbed with that Detroit sound from The Hentchmen, The Witches, The Go to The Greenhorns. Detroit Rock City, indeed. And the fest will feature booths for a bunch of local artists like Niagara and Mark Arminski.

But the act everyone is talking about is Brendan Benson, who is currently finishing up his latest album. The record was slated to be released on June 1, but PR people at his label, StarTime International, tell me it's taken a little longer than anticipated - but the record is brilliant. Since I consider Benson and his Well Fed Boys one of the best acts in the business (not just in Detroit), I can hardly wait.

The fest is being held Saturday and Sunday behind the Majestic Theatre Complex. The doors open at 2 p.m. and the music will reverberate until 11 p.m. The event is all ages and it's free. May I suggest not parking in Break in Alley (TM)?

For more on the fest, click on <http://www.rockcityfest.com>.

Munch, listen to jams at Clay and Glass Fest

BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

Always great art. And this year, great food and music, too
That sums up the Clay and Glass Festival and Taste of Royal Oak Saturday-Sunday

Now in its 10th year, the festival has expanded its scope by showcasing top-notch musicians and food from local restaurants in addition to the always-present juried clay and glass artists

"We need to keep things fresh," said Peggy Goodwin, event consultant for the show and member of the Royal Oak Chamber of Commerce

"The festival has a loyal following after nine years, but this year it's going to be bigger and better than ever," Goodwin said

Over 120 juried artists, representing 30 different states, will sell everything you can think of, including frames, jewelry and vases, at all price points, Goodwin said

In addition, festival-goers can enjoy jazz, jazz/funk and reggae performances

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What: Over 120 juried clay and glass artists, live music and food

When: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday

Where: Downtown Royal Oak - includes Washington between Lincoln and Fourth streets and Fifth Street between Washington and Center streets

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by musicians including Grammy nominee Liquid Soul, Kathy Kosins, the Guyman Ensley Quintet, Barbara Ware, King Mellowman and the Twilight Babies

Participating Royal Oak restaurants include Andiamo Osteria, bbd's Mongolian Barbecue, Mr B's Pub, Lily's Seafood Grill and Brewery, Monterrey,



A juried clay and glass artist uses his creative talent to entertain visitors at Royal Oak's 10th annual festival

The Rock on the Third, O'Tooles Tavern, Pronto and Woody's Diner
Kids can make hand and foot prints on tiles, paint pottery, and see a potter's

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"This year," Goodwin said, "there is something for everyone."

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