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Forum airs

Voters who missed the July 12 candidates forum, featuring candidates for Plymouth Township supervisor, clerk and



treasurer, will get more chances to see it. The forum, co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County and the Plymouth Observer, will air on Comcast Channel 18 in Plymouth at 9 p.m. tonight (Thursday). It's scheduled for airing again at least twice next week, though times are still to be determined.

The forum featured Richard Reaume and Don Schnettler for supervisor, Lola Isminger and Marilyn Massengill for clerk and John Morrison and Ron Edwards for treasurer. Each answered questions from the audience for some 45 minutes.

The Republican primary is set for Aug. 3.

Old-timers picnic

The Plymouth Old-timers Picnic, this year honoring the late Howdie Schryer, takes place at noon Aug. 26 at the Plymouth Township Park pavilion.

The meal will be catered.

For more information or reservations, call Richard Sharland at (734) 453-4661.

Blood drive

The Plymouth Post Office on Beck Road hosts a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, for the American Red Cross.

Appointments can be scheduled by calling Barb Mitchell at (734) 453-6111.

Walk-ins are also welcome.



State asked to investigate clerk

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

A former deputy clerk has asked State of Michigan election officials to look into the operations of the office for which she used to work.

Sandra Groth, who was deputy to clerk Marilyn Massengill until she resigned in February 2003, sent a letter to the state last month detailing allegations of mishandling of

elections. At the end of the letter, Groth suggests the governor remove Massengill from office.

"It has always been my understanding and belief that the clerk should operate under the highest levels of impartiality and integrity so as not to skew or influence voters," Groth said in her letter sent June 27 to Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land. "In Plymouth Township there is no perception of impartiality from anyone who

knows her."

Coming as it does just weeks before the Aug. 3 Republican primary, Massengill dismisses the allegations as an attempt at political assassination by a "bitter, vengeful" former employee. Groth resigned Feb. 7, 2003, after conflicts with Supervisor Steve Mann.

"Doesn't that tell you something?" Massengill said of the timing. "She's been gone 18 months and she chooses now to

bring this up? If she had that much concern, wouldn't she have done that immediately?"

State spokesperson Kelly Chesney said Monday officials in the election bureau would review the allegations, but wouldn't comment on them until they'd spoken to both parties.

"We're looking into it just like we would any other complaint," Chesney said. "We will go over each point in the complaint

with (Massengill) and give her a chance to respond. Then we will go over it all with both parties. We have to give both parties a chance to respond. That's only fair."

Groth's allegations deal largely with elections dating back to 2000. They include

"Massengill utilizes a procedure to replace spoiled absentee ballots that allows the staff

PLEASE SEE CLERK, A5

Fire chief blazes new career trail

Veteran firefighter gets fresh perspective in new job

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

When Capt. Randy Maycock first had the chance to become the top Dalmatian in the Plymouth Community Fire Department 25 years ago, he didn't think he was ready to assume that mantle of leadership.

A quarter-century later, Maycock has grabbed the reins of the department with both hands and is determined to blaze a trail for his firefighters to follow.

Maycock became the department's chief July 12, officially filling the shoes left empty when longtime Chief Larry Groth retired last fall. This time, he's looking forward to the challenge.

"July 12 was the first day of a new career for me," said Maycock, until now platoon officer for Platoon 1. "I still get the urge when the tone goes off to jump a truck. I have to tell myself, 'That's not your job anymore.'"

His job now is to lead the department, which carries 21 full-time and seven part-pay firefighters, an assistant chief and a fire inspector. He'll oversee the move to the new fire station when the new township hall is built, and he's got to manage three shifts instead of just the one he's on now.

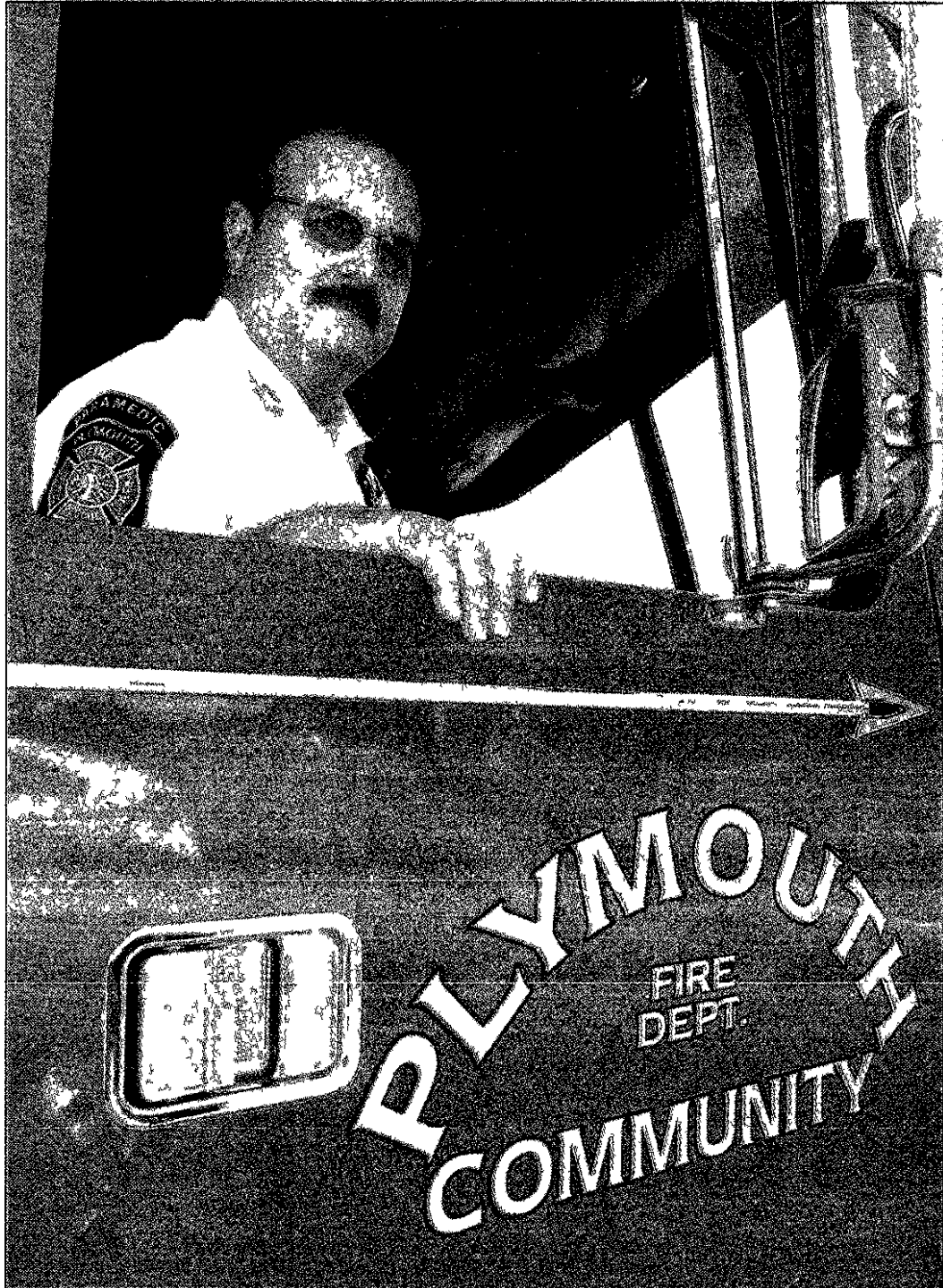
In other words, it's a whole new world. "It feels different, that's for sure," Maycock said. "You get all new perspectives. You see all the management issues for all three shifts instead of just one."

That veteran perspective is something from which the department will benefit, according to Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann.

"It gives us a great member of the fire department who has a wealth of knowledge and experience," Mann said. "He comes to the job with several great ideas and a lot of motivation. We're looking forward to that."

TRAINING DAYS

There are, of course, issues facing the department. The firefighter contract is being arbitrated, with retirement benefits the major hangup.



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

New Plymouth Community Fire Department Chief Randy Maycock has some ideas for the department, including the creation of a citizens fire academy.

According to Maycock, there are also training issues to address. For instance, the department currently has no dedicated facility. Maycock is hoping to convince the township board to allow him to build one at Station Three on Beck Road.

"Somehow we're going to have to address getting a facility where the men can have meaningful training," Maycock said. "Right now, we have nothing."

Maycock looks forward to the construction of a new township hall, which will include a new fire station. The new digs will provide more space for training and living and equipment. And, according to Maycock, it's long overdue.

"It's time it was addressed," the new chief said. "Initially, the station was designed to be totally volunteer. It was never designed to have sleeping quarters. They piece-mealed this place together, and it has outlived its usefulness."

Maycock doesn't figure on any significant changes coming soon, and the ones he does make will be mostly "structural," he said.

For instance, he'll put more authority in the hands of his officers, increasing their own accountability. That'll be new to them, he said.

"It'll be an adjustment," Maycock said. "But it's needed to keep discipline in the ranks and keep the department moving forward."

POLITICAL FOOTBALL

Maycock will try to dodge the political bullets that come with running a department that serves two municipalities. He's a big fan, for instance, of Advanced Life Support training, ushered in a few years ago to train firefighters to be paramedics.

The new chief thinks the program has been a big benefit to the community.

"I've always been a big proponent of it, and I was in the first class to get ALS training," he said. "It gets life support treatment to citizens immediately. It's been a very positive benefit for the community."

PLEASE SEE CHIEF, A6

City ready to replace sidewalks

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Property owners in Plymouth's southwest quadrant — the area south of Ann Arbor Trail and west of Main Street — will soon be receiving notices in the mail of this year's sidewalk replacement program.

"We've had crews go out and mark the slabs that are being replaced, and in the next week or so residents should expect a letter indicating the estimate to replace those sections," said City Manager Paul Sincock. "Generally, depending on size and thickness, residents can expect to pay about \$75 a slab."

Construction is slated to begin in late August, and will continue for about a month. Sincock said the cement company, Central Contractors, Inc. of Canton, has agreed to keep prices the same as in 2003.

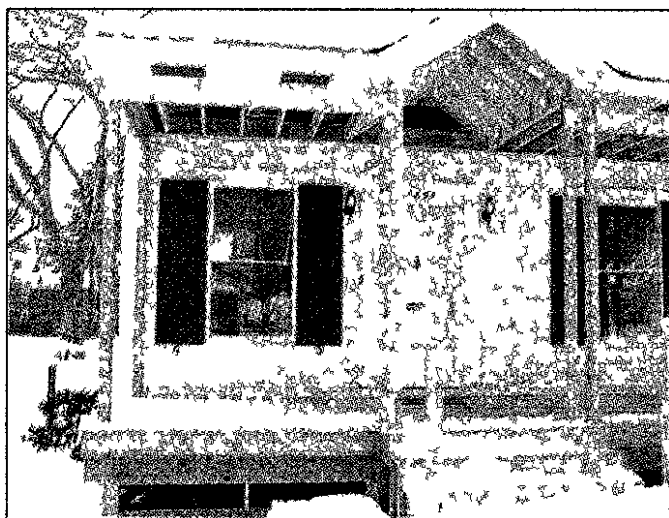
Property owners can hire their own contractors to repair sidewalks, however Sincock noted. "I think they'll find the one we've selected is the most economical."

The city has budgeted \$10,000 for sidewalk repairs in the designated area.

"The sidewalks around city parks that need replacement will be our responsibility," Sincock said. "We'll also install a number of handicap ramps in the area. About 20 percent of the sidewalks in the city still need handicap access." Property owners will be required to pay for new sidewalks if there is a rise or drop of three-quarters of an inch or more between slabs, there are more than two large cracks in any sidewalk section, the concrete has dipped to allow water to puddle, and for raised sidewalks as a result of tree roots.

The city will send a bill in the mail for any slab replacements. If it isn't paid, Sincock said the cost will be rolled onto the tax bill.

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Mark and Lori Sasena bought this home on West Ann Arbor Trail hoping to renovate it, only to run into huge problems with the contractor.

Contractor charged in renovation dispute

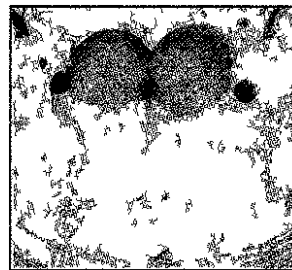
BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

When Mark and Lori Sasena bought an old Victorian house on West Ann Arbor Trail within walking distance of downtown Plymouth last September, they began dreaming about remodeling and renovations to their new home.

They wanted a wrap-around porch, an addition for a downstairs master bedroom, an updated kitchen and a new bathroom. They were prepared to pay for the updates.

PLEASE SEE DISPUTE, A6

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CORRECTION

A story in the July 15 Plymouth Observer should have said Richard Reaume, candidate for Plymouth Township supervisor in the Aug 3 Republican primary, is 54 years old

YOUTH ORCHESTRA AUDITIONS

The Celebration Youth Orchestra holds auditions for the 2004-2005 school year on Saturday, Sept 11 Auditions

will take place at Evola Music, 7170 North Haggerty Road in Canton

Auditions are open to string students ages 9 and older with at least one year of instruction and wind, brass and percussion students ages 12 and older with at least three years of instruction

Students may live anywhere in southeastern Michigan Auditions must be scheduled in advance

The CYO is the youth orchestra supported by the

Plymouth Symphony Orchestra Rehearsals and performances will take place at the new Village Theatre at Cherry Hill in Canton In fall 2004 the CYO will have two ensembles, the Celebration Sinfonia for string, wind, brass, and percussion students and the Celebration Strings The CYO is dedicated to challenging and inspiring students through high level ensemble training and the performance of standard and new repertoire

Students should prepare a piece of their choice and a scale representative of their ability

To schedule an audition or for more information please contact the Plymouth Symphony office by e-mail at CelebrationYO@aol.com or call (734) 451-2112

Scholarship funding is available for students living in Westland Please contact the office for further information

MADONNA HONORS

Plymouth resident Nancy Glodich was one of 10 graduating students from Madonna University in Livonia to receive the Ernest I Nolan Award for excellence in a humanities discipline Glodich earned hers in English

Redford resident Laura Colvin, a former intern for the Observer, earned the award in journalism/public relations

Established nine years ago by the College of Arts and Humanities at Madonna University, the award is a tribute to Dr Ernest Nolan, who led the Humanities Division and is now vice president for academic administration at the University

There was also a musical presentation by music major Amy St John, a Livonia resident and recipient of the Sr Mary Francilene Van De Vyver, CSSF, Scholarship, which is awarded to music majors and international students

ART GALLERY OPENING

Lotus Arts Gallery hosts its grand opening from 6-9 p.m. Friday, July 23 and from noon-6 p.m. Saturday, July 24 Visitors can stroll the gallery and view the work of some of the most prolific and well-

known artists from around the world

The gallery features contemporary artists with an eclectic array of styles and media It's located in downtown Plymouth at 621 South Main, just south of Wing

For more information, visit the gallery's Web site at www.lotusartsgallery.com or call (734) 453-5400 or (734) 451-7400

ICE CREAM MONTH

Cold Stone Creamery will fulfill more than just ice cream wishes and waffle cone dreams this summer as stores nationwide launch a month-long fund-raising effort on behalf of the Make-A-Wish Foundation

In honor of National Ice Cream Month, Cold Stone Creamery announces a portion of all ice cream and ice cream cakes purchased during July will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation

In addition, for a \$1 donation, Cold Stone will invite ice cream lovers to invent their own signature ice cream creations and have their name and recipe inscribed on a special Make-A-Wish star to be posted on the store walls throughout July

The third-annual World's Largest Ice Cream Cake Social takes place from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, July 29

Guests will be treated to a free slice of the Make-A-Wish Ice Cream Cake and will be encouraged to make a donation in return

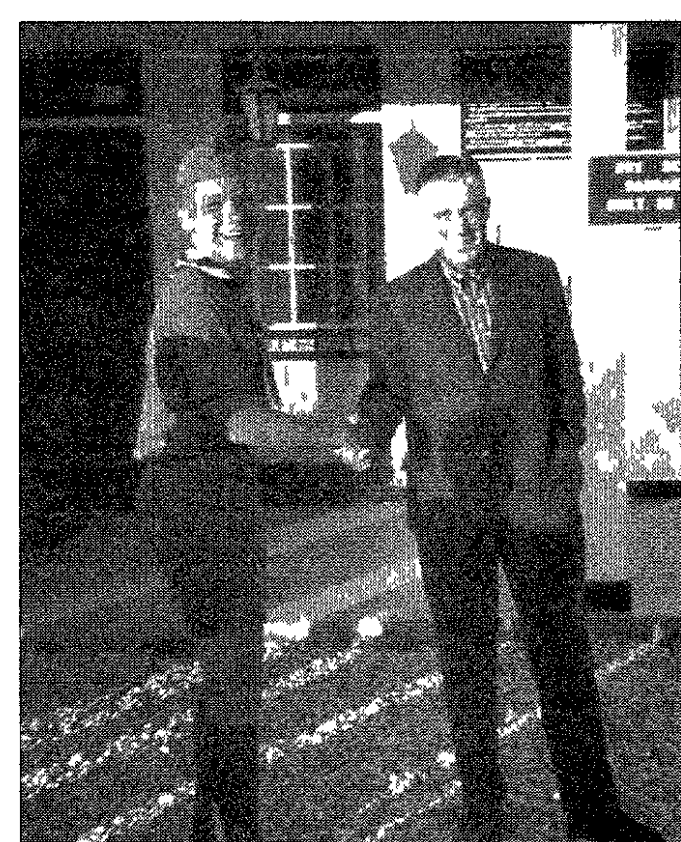
The Make-A-Wish Ice Cream Cake was created by two wish children from Chicago, Kristen, age 11, and Brian, age 9, both battling cystic fibrosis The ice cream cake consists of layers of devil's food cake, sweet cream ice cream, Oreos®, and chocolate shavings wrapped in a rich chocolate ganache

The Cold Stone Creamery in Plymouth is located on Main Street in the Mayflower Centre

GOLF LESSONS

The Crystal Mountain Golf School is now offering lessons for all phases of golf at Fox Hills in Plymouth

For more information log on to www.foxhills.com or call



Scouting speaker

State Rep. and Eagle Scout John Stewart, (R-Plymouth Township), shown here shaking hands with former Gov. William Milliken, will be the speaker at the dedication ceremony celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Boy Scouts and the 30th anniversary of Girl Scouts who have served on Mackinac Island Milliken and former President Gerald Ford have been invited to speak Ford is an Eagle scout who resided in the Boy Scout barracks in 1929 Stewart is an Eagle scout who spent summers at Fort Macinac

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KIWANIS BREAKFASTS

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

Breakfast is served from 8-11 a.m. 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

The Masonic Temple is located at 730 Penniman

WILDCAT GOLF OUTING

A golf outing to benefit the Plymouth High School Wildcat athletic program is set for an 8 a.m. shotgun start Sunday, Sept 12 at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at Napier and Ford Road in Canton

Cost is \$100, which includes 18 holes of golf with cart, a T-shirt, a snack at the turn and a steak dinner following the golf

The outing is a four-person scramble which includes longest drive and closest-to-the-pin contests and a "skins" game To register, send a check made payable to Plymouth High School Athletics to Plymouth High School, 8400 North Beck Road, Canton, MI 48187

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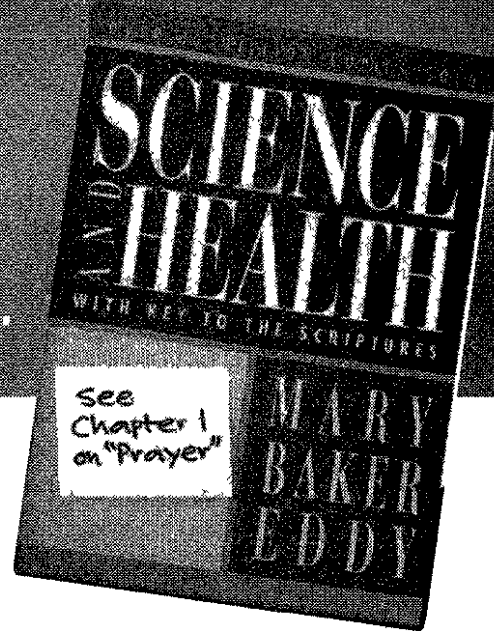
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Taking advantage of baby boom

Boutique offers the 'unique' to expectant moms

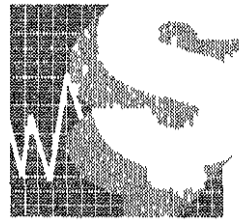
BY CHRISTOPHER J BROOKS
STAFF WRITER

The owners of Mia Bella Baby Boutique, offering custom apparel and furniture for expectant mothers, believe their store will be successful because it operates on a tried-and-true principle: Good customer service.

"No one has customer service anymore and that's what we pride ourselves on," said Kelly Karadsheh, who owns the store with her mother.

Mia Bella, located at 470 Forest, Suite 2, opened in mid-November. Already, business is booming so well the store is moving to a bigger spot on Ann Arbor Trail. Karadsheh and her mother, Rosalie Whyman, both of Plymouth, specialize in Christening dresses. Karadsheh also does custom bedding.

"We have unique things that you can't find anywhere else, so all the moms and grandmas and aunts come here for the unique," Karadsheh said. "It



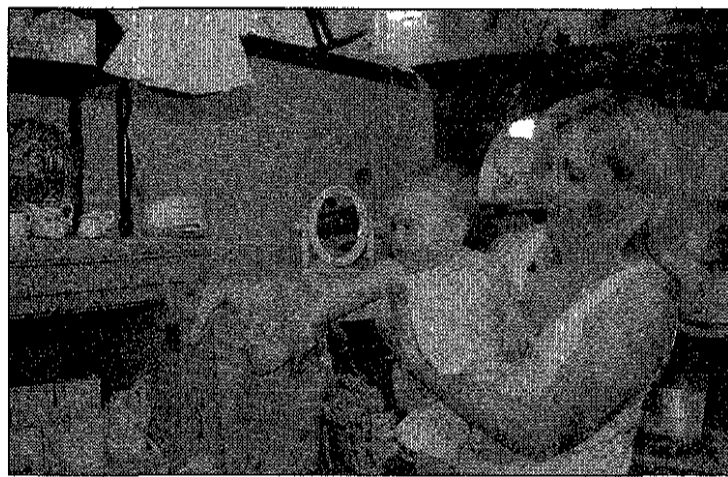
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Business: Mia Bella
Address: 470 Forest, Suite 2
Owners: Kelly Karadsheh and Rosalie Whyman
Principal products: Sells baby items and furniture for expectant mothers
History: Opened in mid-November, planning to move to a larger facility in Ann Arbor

We have unique things that you can't find anywhere else, so all the moms and grandmas and aunts come here for the unique — Kelly Karadsheh

was a mutual decision between my mom and I, for whatever reason, we decided to try (the business) now."

The store carries strollers, priced from \$99 to \$2,030,



Tammy Gephart and her daughter Emma explore the Mia Bella baby store in Plymouth Tuesday.



PHOTOS BY MONICA FOUTS | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kelly Karadsheh opened Mia Bella with her mother in mid-November. The owners will move the store to a bigger location on Ann Arbor Trail.

dressers, books, baby brushes and more.

"We take care of mom before the baby and 24 months afterward," Karadsheh said.

With a growing inventory, Karadsheh is looking forward to moving to the new store, which will be at 853 W Ann Arbor Trail.

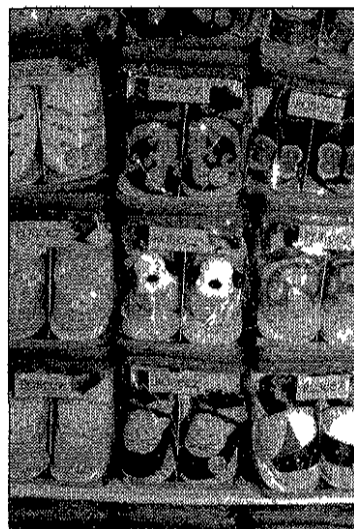
"Moving to a larger store will enable us to display (our furniture), she said. We're just waiting for the contractors to finish what they're doing."

The new location will be 1,500 square feet as opposed to her current place, which is 650 square feet.

After the owners move their store, they plan to continue caring for the customer.

"We work with what they want their nursery to look like and also work within their price range," Whyman said.

Mia Bella is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



The baby store Mia Bella in Plymouth carries many unique items and is one of the only distributors of Robeez shoes in the United States.

"We stay open a little later on Thursday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.," Karadsheh said.

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Signs, other issues hit the fan as campaign heats up

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

With candidate signs popping up — and disappearing — all over Plymouth Township, it's clear election season has set in.

With six candidates for the three full-time elected positions and 10 candidates for the four trustee spots in the Aug. 3 Republican primary, campaigning has gotten into full swing.

Signs have been a big issue, as they always seem to be during local elections. Supervisor candidate Don Schnettler, for instance, accused several members of the current board of trustees of putting signs up on private property without the permission of property owners.

Making the accusation during the public comment portion of the board's July 13 meeting, Schnettler said treasurer Ron Edwards, supervisor Steve Mann (who is running for a trustee spot) and supervisor candidate Richard Reaume placed signs at the Picnic Basket on Ann Arbor Road at Ridge.

"In fact," Schnettler said, "(trustee) Kay Arnold is the only one who has permission." Arnold, however, said after the meeting she'd not spoken to Al Jonna, owner of the Picnic Basket.

Jonna said Wednesday that the candidates had his permission to put up the signs. He said he learned a lesson in local politics.

"Their signs were up first," Jonna said of the signs. "I told them all they could put their signs up. What happened is what I didn't want to happen, with people saying 'Why are his signs up?' and 'I'm not going to shop here.' I guess I'm finding what politics is all about."

At the same meeting, Ann Arbor Trail residents Pat DeVoy and Terri Maga confronted trustee Charles Curmi over the maintenance of property owned by Curmi's mother.

DeVoy and Maga objected to the length of the grass, accusing Curmi of not following the township's ordinances governing proper maintenance. The ordinance calls for residents to keep grass lower than 10 inches.

According to DeVoy, the grass at Curmi's mother's residence, which Curmi maintains for his 82-year-old mother, reached as high as 24 inches.

"If the township has an ordinance, it should be followed," DeVoy said. "If it's a law that can't be upheld, it should be changed. If a trustee is supposed to maintain a property, he should maintain it according to the ordinances."

DeVoy said she and Maga, who live next door, had talked with township ordinance officer Kathy Pumphrey and township attorney Tim Cronin, as well as Mann.

Curmi said he'd talked to the neighbors and had promised them to get the grass cut. In fact, it had been cut the day before the meeting.

"My mother is 82 years old and we want to be good neighbors," Curmi said. "I have made arrangements to make sure it gets taken care of."

Curmi pointed out the timing of the issue — just weeks before the primary — was fairly suspicious.

"That house has been there for 65 years," Curmi said.

"I think this is politically motivated, and this shouldn't have been the forum for this."

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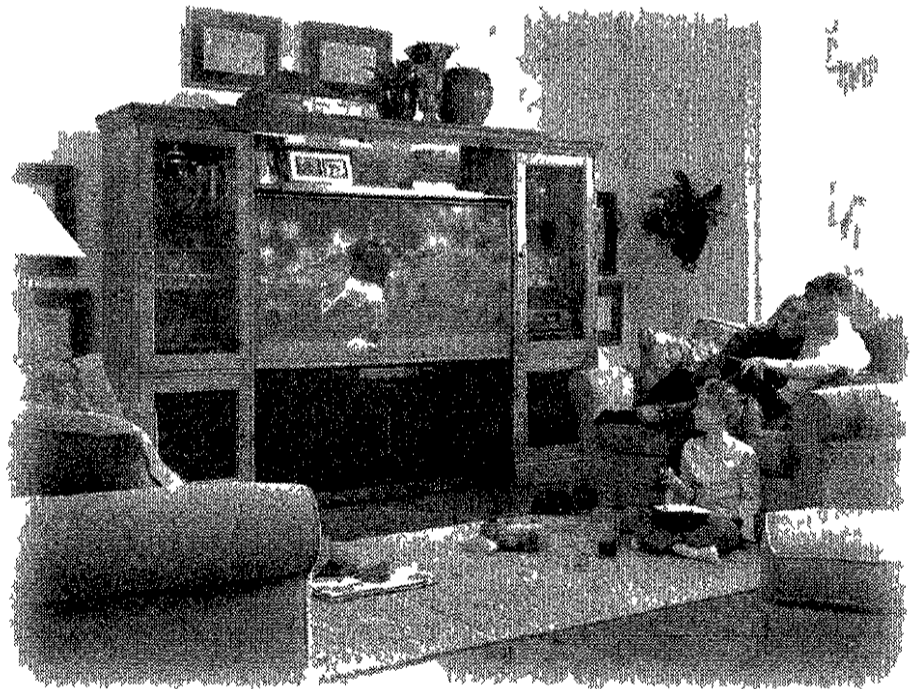
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'Bikers for babies' is Saturday

BY DOUG JOHNSON
STAFF WRITER

Motorcyclists from western Wayne County and southern Oakland County will take part in a March of Dimes "bikers for babies" ride up to Frankenmuth this Saturday (July 24).

The riders will leave promptly at noon from either Motor City Harley, 34900 Grand River in Farmington Hills, or from Motown Harley, 14100 Telegraph in Taylor.

For March of Dimes event coordinator Kim Streich, the event has evolved after a good but limited start three years ago. The first two "bikers for babies" events were held in the fall and the rides went from U of M Dearborn out to Salem Township and back.

"My volunteer committee asked for something longer, with a better destination and they came up with Frankenmuth," Streich said. "We think this makes the ride more attractive."

The bikers pay a fee to be in the ride, and seek sponsors, the charity also holds a raffle and sells T-shirts.

The riders, led by Wayne County Sheriff's deputies on motorcycles, will go up Telegraph and Dixie Highway, then take state routes 15 north, 57 west, then 54/83 north into Frankenmuth. A park area, Frankenmuth River Place at 925 South Main, will be the biker's meeting place where volunteers will serve a picnic lunch and bands will entertain. Temporary tattoos will be offered as well.

"We've been told to expect a crowd in Frankenmuth," Streich said. "So we hope the tourists will come over to our tents, look at the bikes and maybe buy a raffle ticket or a T-shirt."

"We'll have the Wayne County deputies lead us all the way to Frankenmuth, which is awesome."

Streich, who lives in Canton, said about 200 riders participated last year but the organizers at the two HOG (Harley Owners Group) chapters say there will be as many as 400 bikers or more. Some may choose to go to Frankenmuth unescorted and outside the the convoy. In that case those riders will likely take the freeway (I-75).

The ride is sanctioned by the American Motorcyclist Association. The Motor City HOG Chapter will provide a follow vehicle and repair trailer to aid bikers who break down.

The March of Dimes is a national voluntary agency that hopes to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and to prevent infant mortality. Among their services in this area are vans that take new or expectant moms to health care appointments for free.

More information is available on the March of Dimes web site or by calling (248) 359-1550.

Gus Macker extends registration deadline

Basketball players interested in participating in the fourth annual Cauley Gus Macker 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament in West Bloomfield on Aug. 7-8 have through this weekend to register.

The games will be played on the West Bloomfield High School parking lot, located on Orchard Lake Road, just north of Walnut Lake Road.

Organizers have extended the on-line registration period by an extra week through Sunday night. Teams of all genders, abilities and ages can register at www.macker.com. The fee for four-player teams (three players, one substitute) is \$100.

The tournament is organized by the Optimist Club of West Bloomfield which leads a team of more than 200 volunteers to staff the event. All proceeds go to On My Own of Michigan, a charity that helps mentally and physically impaired adults.

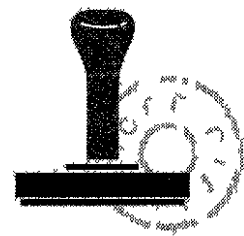
DEATHS

C
Walter L. "Dutch" Clinansmith, 90 of Hillsdale, formerly of Ypsilanti, died July 13.

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Allen R. Lulko, 42, died July 14.

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David M. Severs, 54 of Newton Iowa, died July 9.
Evelyn M. (Brundage) Sutton, 84, of Florida, formerly of Rochester Hills, died July 14.

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Marian R. Wallace, 98, of Livonia, died July 13.
Marie B. Weller, 97, died July 14.



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

POLICE BLOTTER

A woman parked her 1999 Dodge

Intrepid on Amber Court around 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, July 20. When she came back out some three hours later, she discovered the driver's side window had been smashed. No items were reported stolen from the car.

Purse thief

A woman shopping at Busch's Valu Land put her purse in the shopping cart she was using and proceeded to do her shopping. When she got up to the checkout register, she noticed the purse was missing. She told police the purse contained her checkbook, credit cards, keys and a cell phone.

Club caper

A golfer playing at Hilltop Golf Course pulled his cart up near the clubhouse and went inside to grab something to eat. When he returned to finish his round, he discovered his Nike golf bag and clubs had been stolen.

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ON STAGE

Here are the concert schedules for the Friday night and Wednesday afternoon concert series in Plymouth's Kellogg Park.

Music in the Park is presented Wednesday afternoons at noon by the Plymouth Community Arts Council. The Music in the Air series is presented Friday evenings by the Downtown Development Authority. Those start at 7 p.m.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

- July 28 — Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express
 - Aug 4 — Hometown Kids concert with Phoenix and the Celebration Youth Orchestra
 - Aug 11 — Harpbeat
 - Aug 18 — Elmo Thumm
- The concerts, sponsored by New Liberty Bank, start at noon.

For more information on the concerts, call the Plymouth Community Arts Council at (734) 416-4278.

MUSIC IN THE AIR

- July 23 — Steve King & The Ditties Veteran Oldies King provides a great evening of family entertainment
- July 30 — Thornetta

Davis for blues and R&B

- Aug 6 — King Sweat, playing R&B, classic soul and some rock-&-roll
- Aug 13 — Bobby Lewis & The CrackerJack Band. The final appearance by The CJB at Music in the Air, as the Dean of Detroit Rock & Roll retires this year
- Aug 20 — Impact 7

revue-style show featuring music from Motown to Earth, Wind & Fire

- Aug 27 — Pamela Ransford & The Plymouth Guitar Band
 - Sept. 3 — September Surprise featuring mystery guests
- The concerts, sponsored by Community Financial, start at 7 p.m.

CLERK

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to see how a person voted. The stub of the ballot is turned down and stapled to the actual ballot card.

Massengill admits that's how she has handled the ballots, but points out it's not a violation of state law. "In talking to the state, there is a better way to handle that, and that's how it will be handled," she said. "I didn't break any laws by the way it was handled."

Massengill "does not seal the container with voted and processed absentee-voter ballots. She keeps it open so that if there is a recount, she can access it to make sure everything that was reported was accurate."

Massengill vehemently denies this one. "Why would I not seal it? What would be the advantage? The seal number is written in the poll book and sent to the county. Of course I seal it."

Massengill "personally signs the names of the AV Counting Board on the form that goes to the county."

Massengill admits this happened, but says it occurred just once. "One of the AV inspectors didn't sign her name, so I signed it and initialed it. It was one time, one inspector. I could have left her name off and no one would ever have known. I shouldn't have done it, but I wanted it to be perfect."

Massengill directed Groth "on the day of the November 2002 general election to issue an emergency ballot to our Chief of Police because he had apparently stood in line to vote, only to find that he was not registered where he thought he was."

Massengill recalls nothing of any such incident. Reached while returning from vacation, Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderrington said he did wait at the wrong precinct, but flatly denies Groth's claim. "They told me I was at the wrong place and where I had to go, and that's where I went," Tiderrington said. "I never even talked to (Massengill) that day."

Massengill allowed Joe Bridgman, hired to replace Groth as the deputy clerk, to chair a committee supporting the financing of a new township hall. "This same deputy was at the counter every day handing out absentee ballots and talking to voters," Groth wrote.

Massengill said Bridgman was stopped from discussing the election with customers in the office, and defended his decision to serve as chair of the committee.

"He's a citizen of this community, he's got a right to have a voice in its future," Massengill said. "As long as he didn't do it on township time, he has every right to do that."

On the night of the bond election, according to Groth, Massengill "allowed the person hired by the 'yes' committee to loiter behind the counter, where he was heard by voters speaking favorably about the issue, and he wandered in and out of the clerk's private office where the AV ballots were being processed."

Massengill said the man, former Plymouth resident Bill Joyner, was in the department that night, but she said once ballots arrived for counting, he was kept away from everything.

"If he was making statements, I didn't hear them, or I would have kicked him out of the place," Massengill said. "Once the ballots arrived, he had no access."

Groth said she wanted to bring the allegations until Massengill announced for sure she would seek re-election.

"She didn't decide with certainty she was going to run until May, and I needed to be sure I was doing the right thing," Groth said. "I didn't want it to be a vindictive thing, I wanted it to be an issue of right and wrong. When she decided to run, I didn't have a choice, because it's not going to stop as long as she's there."

From Massengill's point of view, vindictive is exactly what Groth's allegations are.

"They're totally, totally false," Massengill said. "I may not be the best clerk in the world, nobody's perfect, but I'm pretty damned honest. I've lived here all of my life, and I'm not going to do anything to jeopardize my good name. It's very frustrating to have someone try to destroy you like she's doing."

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DISPUTE

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to their older home. But what they weren't prepared for was their new residence turning into the proverbial money pit, turning their dream into a nightmare.

Over the course of several months, the Sasenas paid a Livonia contractor nearly \$48,000 and ended up with a half-completed front porch, an unfinished bedroom addition, a kitchen and bathroom that were shells, a broken-down furnace and water damage to the wood floors.

"After he started asking for more draw money, we got a little suspicious. We checked for a builder's license in Lansing and found out he didn't have one," said Mark Sasena.

Not only are the Sasenas out the \$48,000 they paid the contractor, but at least three sub-contractors have liens against them for nearly \$14,000 in unpaid bills.

As a result, Plymouth police have charged David Piekarski of Plymouth Township with three counts of fraudulent use of building contract funds, failure to have a builder's license

and breaking and entering. Each of the first three counts carries a maximum penalty of three years in prison.

Piekarski was arraigned Monday in 35th District Court in front of Judge Michael Gerou. He was set free on \$5,000 personal bond and is expected back in court July 30.

"I'm in shock over this, they are false allegations," said Piekarski. "They owe me \$9,000 for extras that I didn't get paid for."

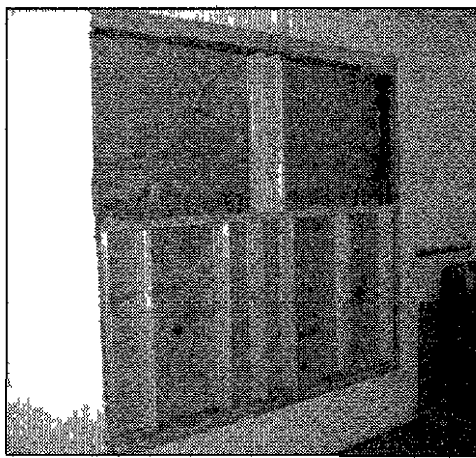
"I have legitimate time records and lumber yard bills," he said. "They make it look like they gave me \$48,000 and I kept it."

They're the ones who breached the contract."

Lori Sasena worked for a home builder, so when they picked Carpentry by Woodcraft of Livonia from a list of preferred contractors, she thought they had a safe bet.

"It was his parents' company, and Dave was the superintendent, so we thought we were dealing with that company," she said.

"He took me around the offices and made me feel very comfortable," added Mark. What the Sasenas didn't



Mark and Lori Sasena of Plymouth say they paid their contractor some \$48,000, only to see work like this left unfinished in the Victorian home they purchased on West Ann Arbor Trail.

Lori demanded receipts and Piekarski couldn't produce them, giving handwritten notes of alleged payments.

"I started calling everybody he said he paid — Plymouth Lumber, Mann's (Do-It Center), Home Depot — he never paid anybody," she said.

And when the couple found out the sub-contractors weren't paid and there were \$14,000 in liens against them, the Sasenas decided to sever all ties.

Piekarski failed to show up for a meeting with Lori, and when she went to the house found much of the material they had paid for gone.

It was the middle of winter, and Mark noticed that "he turned off the water and didn't turn it back on. Since there was no heat in the house, the pipes cracked and damaged the wood floor. The furnace in the basement froze, costing another \$1,600 to fix."

While the Sasenas contacted Attorney General Mike Cox's office and the Better Business Bureau, Plymouth Detective Lt. Ed Ochal found several laws reportedly broken by Piekarski. "It's illegal to take money for a construction project from someone and not pay the sub-contractors," said Ochal.

The Sasenas have hired an attorney and a new contractor, and after nearly a year, they've finally been able to sell and move from their Canton Township home. A proper porch has been constructed, the rooms are slowly looking livable, and they're hoping that within a couple of weeks, their nightmare will once again be a dream home.

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New fire chief Randy Maycock chats with firefighters Chuck Mann, left, and Alan Ramsay.

CHIEF

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He's also an advocate of the fire department transporting victims from runs to the hospital, something that's currently done by contract with Huron Valley Ambulance. Maycock would like to see the responsibility for transport given to the firefighters.

"It makes sense as a revenue source, and for patient care," Maycock said. "We're duplicating each other's efforts in a lot of ways."

While local transport is being pushed by the firefighters, it's not a popular idea with representatives of either of the municipalities which govern the department.

"I don't think the fire department should transport," city Commissioner Michele Potter said. "It's a double-edged issue. Number one, when you transport it takes the firefighters out of the area, and number two, the reimbursement rate doesn't nearly cover the expense."

NEW IDEA

Maycock knows the politicians aren't wild about the idea. "In the future I'd like to see us doing the transport, but that's down the road," Maycock said. "It's a political thing. The policy makers make the decisions, and that's the direction the department will go."

One addition Maycock would like to see is a citizens fire academy, crafted similar to what the Plymouth Township Police Department has been doing the last few years. The idea would be to give citizens an up-close look at the training and responsibilities of firefighters, and a better understanding of what the job entails.

It's part of what Maycock views as his new responsibility educating the public.

"That will be a monumental undertaking, but I think it would be worth it," he said. "It's nice for the people to know what the fire department is doing, and what firefighters are capable of doing."

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The bidding documents consist of plans and specifications. Documents may be obtained with a \$50.00 per set refundable deposit payable to George W Auch Co. at the office of the Construction Manager George W Auch Company, 735 South Paddock Street Pontiac MI 48341, 248 334 2000 on or after Tuesday July 20, 2004. A pre bid meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on July 29 2004 at the office of George W Auch Co. Attendance at the pre bid meeting is highly recommended.

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Kids get closeup look at police training

BY KRISTOPHER J BROOKS
STAFF WRITER

Proud family members crammed into Schoolcraft College's Radcliff Center for a graduation ceremony, but none of their relatives received a degree.

Instead, Plymouth Township's Police Department gave certificates to middle school pupils who completed a week-long series of training sessions.

The 20 students, all between the ages of 11 and 13, participated in skills tests similar to those required of township police officers.

At the graduation ceremony, students explained what they did each day.

"They all did a really good job and one of the things they had to go through this morning is an obstacle course," said Bill Groff, township detective.

Plymouth resident Andrea McIntosh, 12, learned "how hard police work is and how much



Plymouth Township Detective Sgt. Dennis Wilson conducts a fingerprint lift demonstration with academy students (from left) Justin Forbes, Thomas Musleh, Peter Nolan and Jackson Vaughn.

training they have to do. "We heard about (the academy) two years ago and we couldn't go," she added.

McIntosh and her sister Lauren, 13, are now part of the 2004 graduating class, having learned different law enforcement techniques. The children saw a K-9 unit demonstration, took a trip to the 35th District Court and participated in a firearms simulation.

"It is an actual gun — it's just hooked up to the FATS system and the suspects are actual, human-sized. They had to choose to shoot or not to shoot," Lt. Robert Antal said.

The K-9 unit's German shepherd, Hogan, displayed his tricks, as well.

"The dog conducted an actual drug search for the kids," Groff said.

Lauren McIntosh was impressed by Hogan's obedience.

"The officer can say one word and the dog will bite," she said. Groff explained other activities that took place that week.

"We did crime scene investigations, firearm demonstrations, physical agility and a written test," he said.

He said the group also worked on defense tactics and general patrol operations.

"I think it benefits the (police) department as much as it benefits the students," Antal said.

Antal said it is important for teens to know their local law enforcement officials.

"We see you all as young adults and you'll be driving soon," he said to the graduating class.

The training sessions are offered every summer and begin mid-July. For registration information, contact the Plymouth Township Police Department at (734) 354-3243.

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Livonia woman wins garage sale contest

BY ANNE RUNKLE
CORRESPONDENT

Buying a camel saddle is not something you do every day. Traveling by limousine to a garage sale to buy such a conversation piece is even more rare. Just ask Kim Evangelista of Livonia.

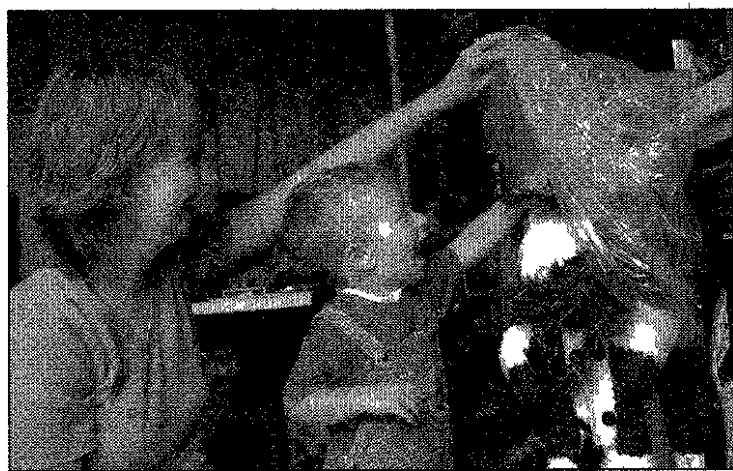
She and her family went garage sale shopping in style Saturday, courtesy of the "Go Garage Sale-ing In Style" contest June through Sunday, July 11, co-sponsored by the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, WYCD-FM (99.5) and AAA Executive Transportation Services in Troy.

Evangelista is a seasoned garage sale shopper. By 10 a.m. Saturday, she and her husband David, children Anna and John, and in-laws John and Rita Evangelista had already turned heads at three garage sales.

"We're having to explain to people why we're in a limo, driver Diana Douglas said.

The Evangelistas noted that the garage sale proprietors were less likely to make deals on prices, given their mode of transportation to the sale.

Evangelista had mapped out her shopping day ahead of



MONICA FOUTS | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kimberly Evangelista, winner of the O&E contest, looks over a garage sale item with her son John. Evangelista says her children seem to enjoy garage sales even more than her.

time from garage sale ads in the newspaper. Douglas had spotted a few garage sales along the way that weren't advertised. So they hit those, too.

"She even had cold drinks ready for us," Evangelista said.

Evangelista's prize also included lunch for the family. Winning anything at all had Evangelista reeling, since she thought she had missed the deadline to send in the entry form.

I think one time I won a fishing pole when I was little,

but other than that I don't think I've ever won anything," she said.

With two preschool-age children, she usually shops for toys at garage sales. As a teacher in her native Kentucky, she often bought articles of interest to show her students. So what did she plan to do with the camel saddle?

She bought it for \$5 as a curiosity for a brother in Kentucky. Those unusual items make garage sale hunting fun, she said. "You can't find that stuff in the store," she said.

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OUR VIEWS

Truran best choice for area Democrats

A union local president and a political gadfly are competing for the Democratic nomination in the presumptively Republican 11th Congressional District to face incumbent Thaddeus McCotter.

Mario Fundarski is a maverick. He describes himself as a pro-life conservative. But he strongly opposes the war in Iraq and President George W. Bush's economic policies. We respect Fundarski's tenacity. This is his third run for Congress in three different districts. He is passionate in his opposition to the war, but his position supporting unilateral withdrawal is naive and dangerous for the people of Iraq and the Middle East as a whole. His views opposing Israel also overlook the reality of Israel's existence and the need for a resolution that benefits all sides.

Fundarski admits openly that he chose the 11th District because he believes he can attract Republican voters to cross over and vote in the Democratic primary since McCotter is running unopposed. That would deprive mainstream Democrats of a candidate in the fall.

Truran

There is a better option. Phil Truran, president of Communications Workers of America Local 4013, is a political novice, but his views are in keeping with mainstream, centrist Democrats. He supports international cooperation in Iraq, tax reform for small businesses, a change in tax priorities, fairer trade policies and more regulation on health care insurers. Except for a six-year enlistment in the Navy, Truran has lived in the communities that are part of the 11th District.

We believe Phil Truran would better represent the Democratic Party and its core principles in the fall election.

Truran would face an uphill battle against McCotter. In his meeting with Observer editors, Truran was vague on some key issues, particularly on education and the specifics of health care reform. He has also admitted that his campaign has taken a while to get organized.

He will have to do a lot of research before debating McCotter, who is well-versed in government issues with a long history of debating as a legislator in county, state and federal offices.

Truran offers the best opportunity for giving the 11th District an honest choice.

Charitable giving lights holiday spirit

The giving holidays may still be months away, but there's no better time than summer to think about your holiday giving.

We're not talking about stockpiling holiday gifts in the attic, although that's probably not a bad idea. This kind of giving doesn't take up any space at all.

While folks normally think about donating to area charities when November and December roll around, the need to support these worthy causes holds steady year-round.

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, more than 148,000 Detroit-area residents were unemployed in May of this year. And those statistics don't tell us how many more have given up trying to find work or are simply unable to work.

We do know this: About 26 percent of the Detroit metropolitan area's population lives at or below the poverty level. The numbers may improve when the economy bounces back, but the poor will always be with us.

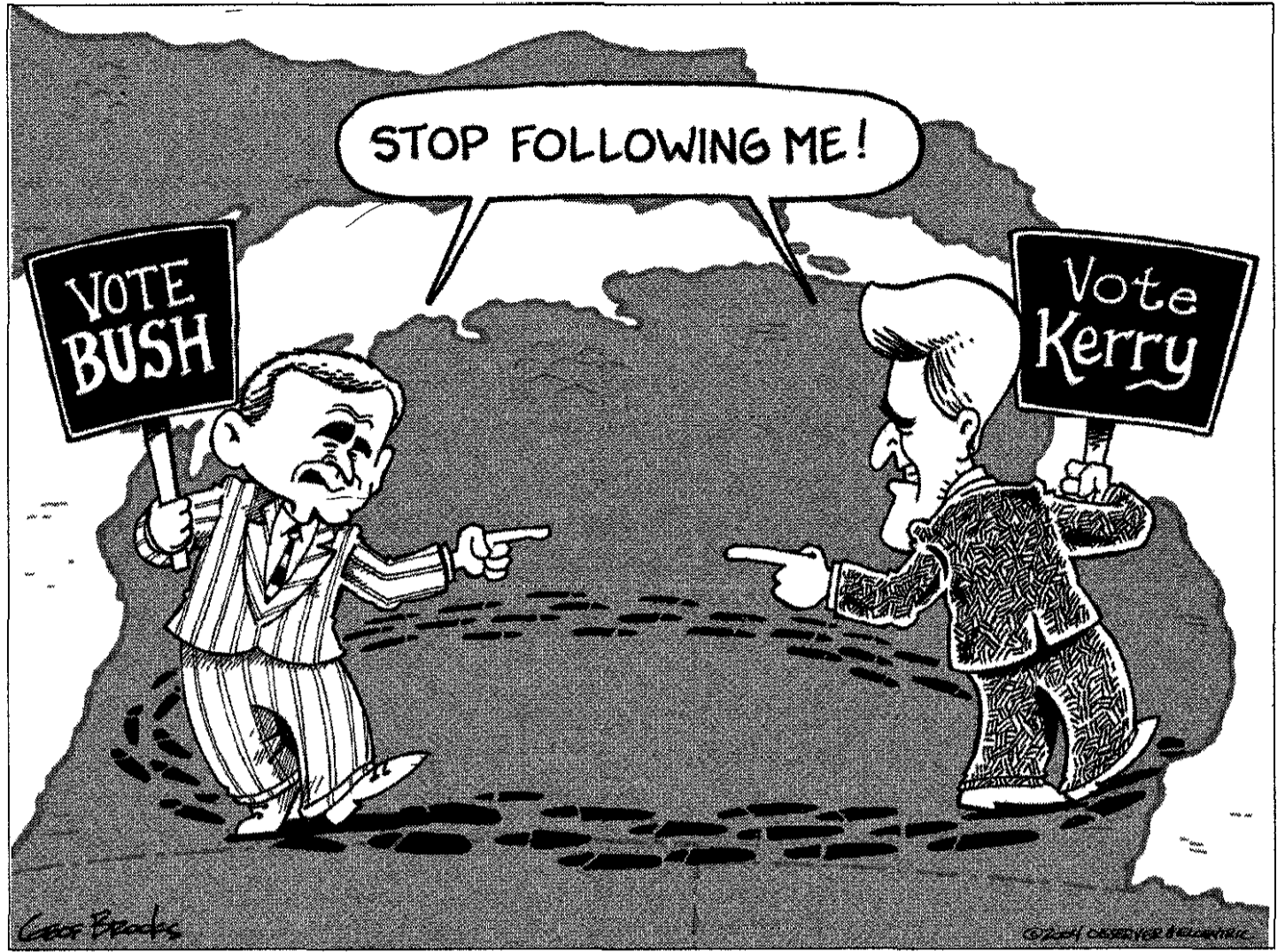
In bad economic times, larger pools of funding fall on hard times, creating holes in our societal "safety net." Earlier this year, United Way Community Services announced a funding cut to 127 agencies this summer - agencies already hard hit by an increased need for services. For some organizations, the budget reductions - necessitated by a \$10.7 million United Way funding shortfall - account for a large share of their funding.

Adjustments included laying off more than 30 employees, who may come to need some of the services they've been helping provide.

For the receiver, "Christmas in July" brings with it obvious benefits in more food for food shelves, blood and blood products for the sick and injured and more cash to ensure a more consistent flow of services.

However, we can't forget the giver benefits, in ways we could all use these days. The greatest reward of charity lies in the sense of satisfaction at helping someone less fortunate, in the warm glow that usually shines brightest in the coldest months.

In the words of songwriter Jerry Herman, we've grown a little leaner, grown a little colder, grown a little sadder, grown a little older. We could use a little angel sitting on our shoulder. Yes, we need a little Christmas now.



LETTERS

Voting is a right

I am writing as a plea to the registered voters of this community. Please get out and vote in the primary election.

This past month, a school board election happened and very few showed up. There are more than 73,000 registered voters in this school district and only about 6,000 bothered to vote on a board of education that sets policy for the education of our youth. Education is considered one of the critical issues of our time.

I am not criticizing those who won, in fact, I want to congratulate all of the candidates who took the time and effort to get involved. If the majority had voted it would have sent a message as to the direction education should go in our community.

I am writing to those who didn't vote. Please continue to complain, but remember only those who vote really get listened to. Yes, I care about who you vote for, but I really care more if you vote, because we all need to know what the majority of us is saying.

All votes count, because it sends a message and makes the process matter. We have men and women in our military dying so that we can choose to vote or be complacent. They have and continue to give us that choice but, wouldn't it be nice if we honored them by voting?

The coming primary election is to choose candidates from different parties to run against each other for the final selection in the general election this November. Please become informed about the candidates, their views, who they are and what they stand for. Then get out and vote for the candidate of your choice in the primary election.

Voting is a right we have fought for and many have died for. Please exercise that right and vote Aug. 3. It does matter!

Carl F. Berry
Plymouth Township

Vote for Munfakh

We need to vote for Abe Munfakh, who is a candidate for trustee. With the upcoming Aug. 3 election, one candidate for trustee stands out with 12 years of experience and dedication.

No, he is not my friend, or a family member, just a man doing his job. He is not only a trustee, he also served on the planning commission, the Zoning Board of Appeals as well as other community boards such as United Way and Schoolcraft College.

I ask that you acknowledge all the service and effort this man has put into our community. I would like to keep him in office, as well as others who have excellent qualities and dedication such as his. Please join me in voting for this candidate and thanking him for all the years he has put in our community.

Jodie Johnson and George Johnson
Plymouth Township

Upset with comment

It has come to my attention that, during the board of trustees meeting July 13, a slang derogatory statement reinforced an original comment made at a July 12 candidates debate by Mr. Reaume insinuating the subdivision known as Green Meadows was called "Muddy" Meadows.

When George Johnson questioned this at the trustees meeting, Trustee Kay Arnold re-

forced the statement. Well, if we cannot judge people based on race, religion and sex, what gives these people the right to judge others on behalf of what they pay for their homes?

The residents of Green Meadows are hard workers, too, they are just not rich. Remember many of the people who can afford the nicer homes earn their money from us everyday people, or shall I say "Muddy Meadows" people, from the taxes we pay. I will no longer stand by and be judged for who and what I am. If you're heavy, we can't call you hillbilly. So why if we're poor do we get judged? And I don't think poor people buy \$150,000 homes!

Needless to say, I think Green Meadows has wonderful, hard-working residents who can vote! I think some of these trustees have forgotten that. So please, remember the comments of Mr. Reaume and Mrs. Arnold when it comes time to vote.

If they think so little of our subdivision now, what will happen when they are in office. Maybe Don Schnettler (supervisor), Jim Karell (trustee) or Abe Munfakh (trustee) won't look down their noses at us. We do have an option of who to vote for!

Georgina Fitzgerald
Plymouth

Thanks to Atlantis

I wanted to let the community know what wonderful people we have in the owners and employees of Atlantis restaurant in Plymouth.

Atlantis is the most family feeling restaurant with the nicest and kindest employees and the most wonderful food. I was in a horrible car accident in August 2002. It has been a long road from a wheelchair to a walker and now a cane (and walker at times). I was unable to do very much except to go out to eat sometimes and the people at Atlantis have cheered me on all the way through this ordeal.

They are respectful and always friendly, not just to me and my family, but to everyone. The manager/owner, Kosta, will come up and hug the families and shake hands with the men and some of the staff will come and even sit in a chair at your table for a minute and ask how things are going.

The other owner, Tasos, came by our table and saw me eating pasta and asked me if I would like more Parmesan cheese or more Marinara sauce and he brought it to me himself.

The waiters (Dan, Billy and Mark), the waitresses (Rachel, Sonja, Tara and Linda) and the hostess, Ashley, are so nice and respectful and wonderful. They always take the time to give you wonderful service and at the same time make you feel like you are part of a bigger "family" at Atlantis. The food is always hot and looks and tastes wonderful. Thanks to Dimitri, another of the brother/owners. The management gets to know the patrons by name and are very personable. It is very obvious that the waitstaff get along and seem to be a "family" of their own and watch out for each other. It is clear that Kosta thinks of his staff like family as well.

Through all of our hard times these past two years, they have been there to really help me feel good and we love the people, the food and the atmosphere.

Suzanne Stewart
Canton

Proud Democrat

I would like to thank Don Snettler for mailing households in Plymouth Township announcing my support for the strong leadership of Steve Mann, Ron Edwards and Marilyn Massengill. It was especially fitting to have him remind voters, although that may not have been his intent, that over 42 percent of the township electorate are Democrats, of which I am proud to call myself.

Of course his accusation was that Mann, Edwards and Massengill should be defeated because they have supporters who are Democrats. I would suggest his use of a sophist argument, but he might have to purchase a dictionary and he should spend his money on the campaign.

For 26 years I paid property taxes, co-founded the Fourth of July Good Old Fashioned Picnic, served as lieutenant governor of the Michigan District Optimist International and executive vice president of the Michigan Jaycees. Voted in every election, was on the first market committee for the Farmers Market, raised my son and did everything good citizens are supposed to do, including supporting progressive ideas such as more recreation, open space, openness in government, balanced budgets, reduced water rates and so much more that have been the hallmark of Mann, Edwards and Massengill.

I am a Democrat, a proud American, an active responsible citizen and was pleased to support for the 26 years I lived in Plymouth Township an open honest government, of which Mann, Edwards and Massengill fully embody.

To make light of the fact that Democrats, as Mr. Schnettler did, support quality government is not a good way to win over voters. But thanks for spelling my name correctly and getting my party affiliation right.

I have moved back to my original hometown in Livonia to be closer to my parents and to enjoy the community they helped build. But I am proud of my years of service in Plymouth Township, supporting quality local government. And yes, even Democrats have a right to vote, to participate and to support their local elected officials.

I am sorry that Mr. Schnettler wants to deny Democrats that voice. Strange, because in 1992 his voter registration showed that he was a Democrat. My how times change, just like blowing in the wind, as Bob Dylan would sing.

Bill Joyner
Livonia

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Michigan needs to rethink job market of the future

Last week, a lead headline shouted the problem "Mich bleeds factory jobs." The story chronicled yet another drop in good-paying manufacturing jobs down 10,000 for June, down by 26,000 overall, from last year. Overall, the state's June unemployment rate was 6.5 percent, down a bit from May, but a nearly a full point above the national rate of 5.6 percent.

To a degree, it was like a familiar dull blow falling on a bruise, we've been seeing similar headlines for a generation. More poignant was the story in *The Detroit News* that traced the decline of the toolmaking industry, once the summit of the skilled metalworking trades.



Phil Power

Toolmakers were the aristocrats of the blue collar labor force, guys who started right out of high school and who could earn \$80,000 a year as they mastered the mills and jig borers that could shape a piece of hard steel to tolerances less than a human hair.

You used to see all kinds of little tool and die shops in places like Madison Heights and Ferndale. Time even was when an aggressive guy could start a shop, get enough work to survive, put away a little and pass on the business to his son. Now in Michigan, more than 16,000 tool and die jobs have disappeared since 1997, according to the state labor department.

Nationally, something like 4,000 tool and die shops — that's one-third of the total! — have gone out of business, taking with them 100,000 jobs, according to the National Tooling and Machinist Association.

How come? We are certainly not buying less stuff. The answers: computer-driven productivity gains, outsourcing and offshoring. Computers can design in hours the prototype parts that used to take weeks, a productivity gain that eliminates thousands of workers. And, of course, it isn't real hard to figure out that a metal worker in China at \$2 an hour costs a whole lot less than that \$80,000 American.

But there's a far more ominous trend going on here, much broader than just tool and die shops. Auto industry insiders and economists are beginning to realize that the entire parts supply chain in Michigan is at risk.

Here's why. Thanks to the wage guarantees contained in the United Auto Workers contracts covering workers in the assembly plants, labor at the Big Three automakers is essentially a fixed cost. Got too many cars in inventory and you want to idle your plant for a while? Fine by us, chum, but you'll have to keep paying your workers 95 percent of their wages. And don't even

think about actually closing a plant without long, drawn-out negotiations with your friendly UAW vice president.

Facing ferocious competition and terrible cost pressure, and unable to reduce their fixed labor costs, what do the auto companies do? Why, apply enormous cost pressure to their suppliers. The auto companies are instructing their suppliers they are going to cut prices by 5, 8, 10 percent each year. They're also telling them to design parts so they can be installed in the assembly plants with less labor.

And what does the supply chain do in response? Invest like hell in computers and automated equipment to drive up productivity (and drive down employment). And, while they're at it, link up with parts companies in China where labor costs are so much lower they make your head spin. Otherwise, the outcome is simple: you go broke.

The result is obvious. The relatively low value-added, low design-intensive parts of the entire auto supply chain are in the process of going away. Already the smaller "Tier Two" and "Tier Three" parts companies are going under every day, taking with them the thousands of jobs that used to sustain Michigan's economy. The Tier One companies — the Visteons and Delphis — have just negotiated a two-tier wage contract with the UAW, so that newly hired employees are paid less than established workers for doing the same tasks. But even the big guys are under pressure, figuring out how to drive productivity and take work overseas.

Which is why the first meeting of the Commission on Higher Education and Economic Growth, held last week, was so important. Michigan's economy is moving from metal bending to high value-added agile manufacturing and design, health science, high tech and services. To make this transition, brains will need to replace brawn. And college degrees will have to replace visits to the union hiring hall.

University of Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman could not have made the point more simply or more directly when she told the commission, "The jobs that people used to do just are not going to be there in the future."

To an alarming extent, they are already gone. Quite simply, this is the main — make that the only — issue confronting Michigan today. Getting people to wake up to this fact and, more important, actually do something about it will define whether our state will prosper or become something like Mississippi. North, but with more casinos and colder weather.

Phil Power is the chairman of the company that owns this newspaper. He is also a member of the Commission on Higher Education and Economic Growth. He encourages readers to e-mail comments to ppower@homecomm.net or call (734) 953-2206.

Political background not necessary for success in local election process

Plymouth Township resident Geri Hames, seeking her first political office in the Aug. 3 Republican primary for Plymouth Township trustee, is upset with the manner in which the *Observer* handled its endorsement in that race.

We're used to that, there are 10 candidates running for four spots, which even using new math tells us there are six people who aren't going to get endorsed.

Without getting into a debate about the manner in which the endorsements were chosen, one of Hames' concerns was the candidates the newspaper endorsed all had a great deal of prior political involvement.

"Since when is prior political experience the only criteria used for determining a good candidate?" she asked.

To which I replied, "It isn't."

A closer look at the history of endorsements shows a number of candidates made the grade without any prior political involvement. In the 2000 township election, for instance, the *Observer* endorsed Steve Mann for supervisor and James

Karell, then a Green Meadows resident who impressed with his passion for serving and his willingness to learn, for trustee.

At the time, both had virtually no political experience. Mann beat an incumbent supervisor, while Karell finished sixth among the trustee candidates. After that election, he remained interested in the issues facing the township, attending board meetings and volunteering to serve on the planning commission.

A few years ago, an unheralded rookie named Tom Wysocki ran for the school board with no political experience. The next year, we endorsed Joanne Lamar, who had no prior political resume. Then it was Rich Ham-Kucharski. All were elected.

In city commission races, the odds of first-timers getting elected are even more pronounced. Current city commissioners Michele Potter, Phil Pursell, Dan Dwyer and Anthony Guiliom were all political neophytes when they first ran. All earned endorsements, all were elected.

In an e-mail, Hames wrote, "There are a number of very qualified candidates in this election that come to the table with no political experience but a wealth of other very good experience and community involvement."

That is unquestionably true. Hames, who owns a master's degree in computer informa-

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tion systems, has an impressive array of community involvement, much of it church- or youth-sports related. She's been active in both Geneva Presbyterian and NorthRidge Church, she's been a parent volunteer/team manager for the Plymouth-Canton Unified Hockey program and a volunteer for the Plymouth Figure Skating Club.

She's been a volunteer for Gleaners Community Food Bank and for Habitat for Humanity. She's been a mentor for the Michigan Council of Women and for online students in the University of Phoenix. She's done charity work for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and the American Heart Association.

She's lived in the township for eight years, and in the Plymouth-Canton community for some 30 years. Clearly, she's shown a willingness to become involved.

Before every election, we call for people to get involved in the process. In fact, Karell entered the 2000 race after reading just such a plea in the paper.

Those editorials are aimed at people just like Hames, people who decide they want to take their commitment up a notch. In this election there are 10 such people, and that doesn't count the Democrat and the Independent who are waiting for the general election in November.

Hames writes, "If the criteria you used for endorsing candidates were valid, there would never be incentive for a rookie to enter the race again, politics would only be for seasoned professionals (and their appointees) and the process would not be very democratic. What incentive do you give any future candidates to participate?"

Political newcomers who show, as Hames has, they are committed to their community do well in elections around here. Where's the incentive to participate?

It's in the results.

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County will decide on 2 charter amendments

BY KRISTOPHER J. BROOKS
STAFF WRITER

Wayne County's primary election ballot will include two proposals which would amend the county charter.

One proposal would grant commission members the power to expel a fellow commissioner.

That is very important because we had a trying time when a previous commissioner admitted to being guilty of a felony, but he tried to stay on the commission," said Wayne County Commissioner Kay Beard (D-Garden City).

Beard was referring to former commission member Keith Stallworth and his spring 2003 conviction. Wayne County Commissioner Lyn Bankes (R-Livonia) said that dilemma embarrassed the commission.

In order to prevent similar predicaments in the future, the commission has created Proposal R, which would require a two-thirds vote to remove a commission member from office for conviction of illegal activity. The commission would also require a four-fifths vote to discontinue a commissioner's term for moving out of the district and a four-fifths vote is needed to banish a commission member for abuse of governmental privileges.

"The point of setting the standards so high is to make sure this thing isn't abused for some partisan use along the way," said Ben Washburn, Interim Commission Counsel.

If approved, the two amendments would be in place before 2005.

"They would take effect 45 days after the vote is certified and the vote is usually certified within two weeks after the election," Washburn said.

The other amendment would allow commission members to

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seek advice from Wayne County residents by placing advisory questions on future ballots.

"There are occasions that our county commissioners can't depend on the people who come to the meetings because the people that usually come are either strongly for or strongly against something and you don't get the overall picture," Washburn said.

Washburn described the amendment, "like taking an opinion poll."

Opponents of this amendment, named Proposal Q, say it takes away from a commissioner's decision-making power. Beard said she is against the proposal because her constituents elected her to do research and make decisions on their behalf.

The amendments stemmed from a charter amendment committee led by Wayne County Commissioner John Sullivan (D-Wayne).

"I was the one who suggested we look at the Charter," Beard said.

Sullivan's committee was comprised of seven county commissioners who reviewed the charter and found 20 sections that they felt needed revising. From there the group narrowed it down to two concerns.

Beard, a charter amendment committee member, said the charter has been revamped since 1983.

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Five candidates compete for treasurer

Four candidates are challenging longtime Wayne County Treasurer Raymond Wojtowicz in the Aug. 3 Democratic primary.

The treasurer manages county money including investments and is responsible for tax collection. The position pays \$128,768.

A questionnaire was sent to all five candidates. Sandra Pace Campbell of Detroit did not respond.

Wojtowicz, 75, has been Wayne County treasurer since 1976. He was mayor of Hamtramck from 1970-73 and a Wayne County Community College trustee from 1968-70. He is past president of the Michigan Association of County Treasurers.

Susan Hubbard, 43, has served on the Wayne County Commission since 1989, serving as chair of several committees including the Audit and Government Operations committees.

She was a member of the Dearborn City Council from 1985-89.

Following graduation from college, she worked as an auditor with the General Accounting Office. She is a public attorney.

Beverly Kindle Walker is the manager of the Northeast Office of the Detroit Mayor's Office Neighborhood City Hall. She has worked as a legislative assistant for the Detroit City Council, served as a Democratic precinct delegate, serves on several boards and is involved in church activities.

Vernell L. Massey, 45, of Inkster, works as a retailer and has volunteered on political campaigns.

Some answers have been edited for space.

1. Why are you the best qualified candidate?

Hubbard: I am prepared to make the necessary changes to bring the Wayne County treasurer's office into the 21st century. As chairman of the county's Technology Committee, I have first-hand knowledge of the treasurer's archaic practices. I have a proven track record of reforming county government. I sponsored the county's first ethics, procurement and fraud ordinances. As treasurer, I will not hesitate to implement necessary reforms to better serve the public.

Massey: Because I am independent and I have no political ties to the CEO or any commis-



Hubbard

Massey

Kindle Walker

Wojtowicz

sioner or any other special interest group that wants to feed at the public trough. I have a great deal of experience in customer service and I understand accounts receivable and the process of collection of tax dollars. I can work to bring new technology into the treasurer's office.

Kindle Walker: This country's motto "In God We Trust" is more than a slogan to me, personally, it is a way of life. I am a born-again Christian and firmly believe in the declaration of our first president, George Washington, who stated "it is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible." I am the best qualified candidate because I will bring a higher level of compassion and sensitivity based on over 20 years of government and private sector managerial experience, coupled with a strong record of volunteerism.

Wojtowicz: I am the best qualified candidate because of my vast experience and proven track record. As Wayne County treasurer for the past 28 years, key accomplishments include:

- A Cash and Investment Concentration Program to maximize investment earnings by investing in companies such as Ford, GM, DaimlerChrysler and local banks,

- A new Property Tax Administration and accounting system that is Web-based technology,

- An e-government Web site that gives free delinquent property tax information and electronic tax payments at no cost,

- Outstanding investment rates (totaling \$1.39 billion) as agent of the Delinquent Tax Revolving Fund Program, repaying such notes on time or earlier and transferring a total of over \$207 million to the General Fund to balance the county budget each year.

2. What needs to be done to improve efficiency in the treasurer's office?

Hubbard: All property tax data must be made easily

accessible to the public immediately. I will place all property tax information, not just delinquencies, online and make access free of charge. I will allow electronic payments online, over the phone and at satellite sites, including at city halls. There is no need to require businesses, city treasurers and the public to drive downtown, pay for parking, wait in long lines and pay exorbitant fees to obtain property tax information as the current treasurer requires.

Massey: We are handling other people's money and should be prudent in its use. I would promote e-government with the ability to use the Internet at no additional cost to the public. Create a satellite office of the treasurer in western Wayne County to also keep citizens from having to come downtown to pay taxes.

Kindle Walker: The administrative office is poorly managed, evidenced by the high rate of inaccurate information that has led to a record foreclosure rate. The office efficiency could be greatly improved by 1) enhanced staff training, 2) expand office hours to one late night a week with staff working flexible shift, 3) need to expand telephone technology to accommodate phone calls. Also would like to accommodate more computer access in the reception area to allow taxpayers to go online to our entire property tax database at no charge.

Wojtowicz: We are constantly improving/upgrading our technology. We have an e-government portal that provides free access to delinquent property tax records. To date there have been over 421,000 property searches on the site. Two years ago, the office re-engineered and streamlined the process between the treasurer's office and the Wayne County Office of Management and Budget, as well as all other revenue departments. Both offices implemented new software packages, eliminated redundancies and created an auto-

mated process for single entry into the general ledger system. We also utilize the Bloomberg Financial Network.

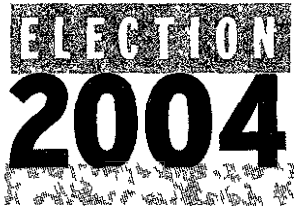
3. What do you see as the major issue concerning the treasurer's office?

Hubbard: Besides providing free access to property tax information in an electronic format, the second most important issue is trust. The treasurer is currently being investigated by the county's auditors for wire transferring \$4 million of taxpayer funds to a few firms, one of which is located in Macomb County without proper authorization. As treasurer, I cannot imagine violating the laws which govern the use of taxpayer funds and as a commissioner, I have requested the prosecutor investigate the matter.

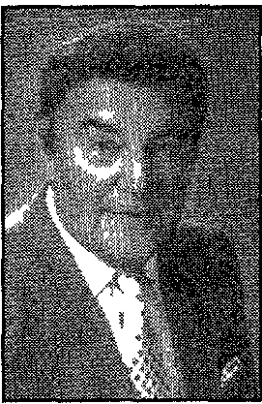
Kindle Walker: While the problem of tax foreclosures on properties involving the elderly is a major issue, an equal problem is the lack of timely information from the treasurer to all property owners regarding new laws in the general property tax code. Public Act 123 and 246 will have a great impact on property owners and their ability to retain their property.

Massey: The interest rates charged are too high and an unfair burden on those who are late payers of their county taxes. I would like to link the interest rate on delinquent tax payment to the prime rate of a quarter percent vs. the current 1 percent per month. The interest should be closer to the market interest rate.

Wojtowicz: The changing property tax laws require an accelerated time frame for property tax collection. These collections support all government operations (i.e. city, state, county and schools). The time frame has been reduced from five to two years. As a result, the challenge becomes significantly reducing the number of foreclosures. We are meeting this challenge with an aggressive community outreach program and the ease and convenience of e-government.



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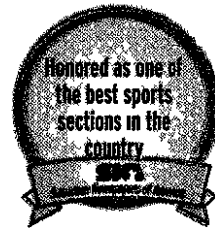
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Golf feats

■ Canton's Dean Benedict recorded the first hole-in-one in his 30 years of golfing July 14 on the 134-yard, par 3 17th hole at Pheasant Run Golf Course in Canton. Benedict, who used a three wood, finished with a nine-hole total of 46.

■ Kyle Sanders, 14, of Canton had a hole-in-one on the 154-yard 11th hole at Canton's Hickory Creek Golf Course. Sanders, who will be a freshman at Plymouth in the fall, used a three wood to record his first ace.

Racing results

Garden City's Ken Ahlgren finished second in his heat and 13th overall in the 35-lap Late Model feature at Flat Rock Speedway on Saturday night. Ahlgren was one spot ahead of Livonia's Mike Jaynes in the feature race.

Livonia's James Pankow was also third in the C-Main in Street Stocks on the card, while Chuck Pankow was 14th in the 25-lap Figure 8 feature. Canton's Justin Schroeder was ninth in the 25-lap Street Stock feature while Canton's Paul Hahn was 17th.

Top gridders

Four Observerland football players will represent the East squad on Saturday at the annual Michigan High School Football Coaches All-Star game at Michigan Stadium in Ann Arbor.

The players are Canton wide receiver Devin Thomas, Redford Thurston defensive back Darran Matthews, Westland John Glenn running back Matt Smithman and Redford St. Katharine Drexel defensive back Kenny Smith.

The game begins at 2 p.m. with tickets running \$5 presale and \$10 at the gate.

Coaches wanted

■ Redford Catholic Central is looking for a varsity lacrosse coach. Resumes can be faxed to athletic director Bob Santello at (313) 534-7110. For more information, call Santello at (313) 534-2798.

■ Canton High School is looking for a girls swimming coach. For more information, contact Canton athletic director Sue Heinzman at (734) 416-2925.

■ Hilbert Junior High in Redford is looking for girls basketball coaches for its seventh and eighth grade basketball teams.

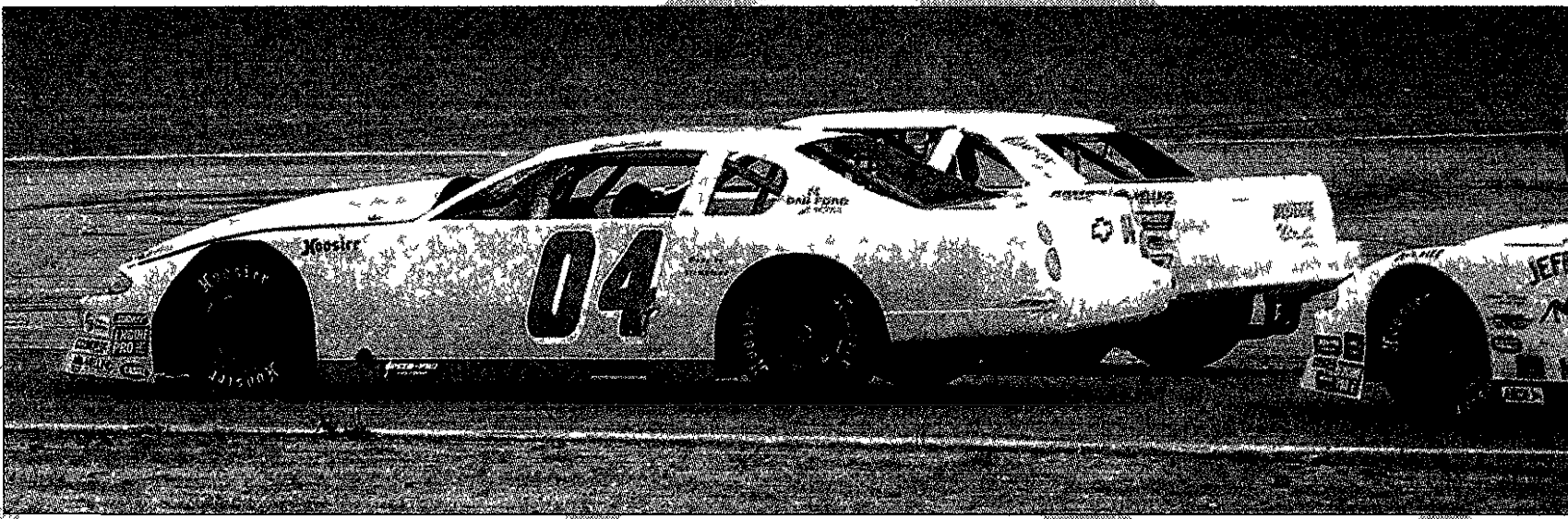
To apply, send a resume to Redford Union High School, 17711 Kinloch, Redford, MI, 48240, attn athletic director Brett Steele, or call him at (313) 242-4270.

Soccer registration

The Western Wayne Soccer League is taking registration for the U6 and U8 divisions for the fall and spring seasons.

Registration is at the Bailey Center in Westland for both seasons. The deadline is July 25.

For more information, please call (734) 467-5260.



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Seventeen-year-old driver Justin Schroeder of Canton waits his turn to qualify his 04 car for the Street Stocks race at Flat Rock Speedway on Saturday night.

The need for speed

Area drivers crave the short-track thrills of Flat Rock

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Seventeen-year-old Canton resident Justin Schroeder has impressed hundreds of southeastern Michigan stock-car racing fans the past two summers with his driving ability at Flat Rock Speedway.

But Schroeder's high-speed, pedal-to-the-metal exploits at Flat Rock pale in comparison to the driving demonstration of the Salem High School senior displayed during a driver's training test in April 2003.

"I finished the parallel parking part of the test in about two seconds," said Schroeder, reflecting triumphantly on what is normally the most dreaded segment of every teenager's driver's license exam.

Schroeder is one of several Observerland residents who spend as many as 40 hours and as much as \$1,000 a week to race at Flat Rock in pursuit of the checkered flag — and the glory that accompanies victory.

While there is a modest sum of money that can be won at the quarter-mile oval located on Telegraph Road in Flat Rock, the drivers agree that their primary motivation is the thrill of competition and the camaraderie that stock-car racing generates.

Incredible commitment

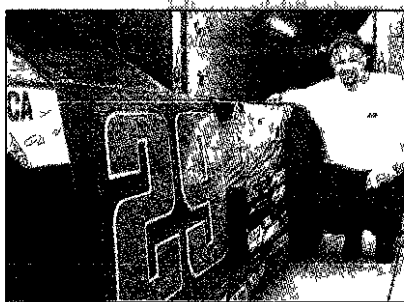
The green flag wouldn't be dropping for another five hours, but second-generation driver Mike Jaynes and his crew had already set up shop in pit row, about 50 yards east of the speedway's first turn.



Tom Petre (left), and Brian Barr prep Livonia's Mike Jaynes No. 45 car before he takes it on a test run.

As Jaynes, a Livonia resident, recounted his racing heritage and the commitment — both financial and time-wise — that is necessary to compete at a high level, his crew chief, Kevin Retten, stalked Jaynes' No. 45 Late Model division car, looking for any last-minute adjustments that needed to be made.

"On average, we're here from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. every Saturday during the summer months," said Jaynes, a fixture at Flat Rock since 1994.



Ken Ahlgren of Garden City kneels next to his car before Saturday qualifying.

"There is a lot of hard work, money and sacrifice involved in this every week, but it's worth it for every driver out here. I've always said that sports like golf and bowling are what you do, but racing is who you are. You have to be passionate about racing, and we are."

Jaynes, a Livonia Stevenson graduate, has been making the trek to Flat Rock since the early '70s when his dad, Len, started racing. The elder Jaynes competed for 17 years

and was the track's Street Stock champion in 1977.

"I used to come out to the track with my dad and help him around the pits when I was young," said Jaynes, who works as a tool-and-die maker during the week. "I couldn't wait until I was old enough to drive myself. Now my dad comes out and watches me race."

A typical night at Flat Rock — not including winnings — costs Jaynes and his sponsors close to \$800.

"The new tires alone every week run \$420 for a set," he said. "Then when you include the entry fee, new parts for the car, the fuel and everything else, it gets expensive. You can win up to \$1,000 a night, too, if you do well."

Jaynes currently sits in seventh place in the Late Model division with 1,135 points, 275 behind the leader, Eric Lee.

"Flat Rock is a great track because it is one of the fastest quarter-mile tracks in the world, plus it's safe," Jaynes said. "I feel safer strapped into this race car than I do out there," he said, gesturing toward Telegraph Road.

Competitive fire

Like a football coach mapping out a game plan, Canton's Paul Hahn said he usually plots a strategy during the moments before a race.

"But it usually goes right out the window in the first five laps," he said, laughing. "Twenty minutes before the race, there are all kinds of things going through your head, but

PLEASE SEE FLAT ROCK, B2

National title is last goal for CC grad Steintrager

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

Matt Steintrager has one goal before he heads to Central Michigan University in the fall — win a national championship.

For most people, that would be a tall order.

For the Westland resident, that's well within the realm of reality. And he'll get his chance starting Saturday at the USA Wrestling Cadet & Junior Nationals in Fargo, N.D.

"I've been second twice and this is my last chance," said Steintrager, a runner-up at 105 pounds in this freestyle event last year as well as at 112 at the U.S. National Seniors Wrestling Championship in March in Cleveland. "I want to win a national title. Since I'm going to college in the fall, this is my last chance."

It hasn't been the easiest year for Steintrager. He won the 112-pound Division 1 title for Catholic Central in March 2003 and followed that with his second-place finish in Fargo. But he never got a chance to defend his state title, as he was dismissed from the CC team during the season for falsifying his Alpha test — which determines if a wrestler is at the proper weight.

"I just kept working hard," Steintrager



FILE PHOTO

Catholic Central grad Matt Steintrager (top) is hoping to improve on his second place finish in Fargo, N.D., this weekend.

said. "I found other high school teams in the area to work out with to stay in shape and I went to every varsity tournament and supported them, even though I got kicked off. I didn't have a team to work out with, but I learned to stay in shape."

His runner-up finish in Cleveland to Davison's Paul Donoho reminded coaches that he was still around, but it wasn't enough. This time, Steintrager has some unfinished business in Fargo.

"I'm gunning for Tony Mustari of Colorado, because he beat me last year,"

PLEASE SEE STEINTRAGER, B3

UDM baseball program finally runs out of time

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

When they found out this week that the University of Detroit-Mercy's baseball team was denied its final stay of execution, Titan players — including Garden City catcher Dominic Noonan and Redford Catholic Central grad Kyle Crepeau — were upset.

But they weren't half as upset as Redford's Bob Miller. Miller, the feisty former coach who led the program from 1965-2000, was quite exact in his feelings.

"I think it stinks. I really do," said Miller, who — in a cruel twist of irony — was ready to head to a fund-raiser for the baseball and softball teams. "No effort was made to save the program by the school and all of the money raised over the years is for what? We could have raised the money if we had some forewarning."

Athletic director Brad Kinsman, citing high costs and a need to trim the department's budget, decided on June 24 that the school would fold the program after 107 years of existence. A group of parents balked, and received a two-week extension to try and raise the \$550,000 the school said it would need in corporate donations to fund the program for a five-year period.

After the group raised just \$23,000 for the first year, the school declined to extend the deadline beyond Monday and folded the program.

"They had to raise a lot of money in a little time and that was tough," said Crepeau. "If they wanted the program, they would have found a way to keep it."

"With the time constraints they were under, it was virtually impossible to do that," said Noonan. "If they told us in January that this was a possibility and that we had until the end of the season, we could have done it."

And, arguably, no one would have done more to save it than Miller — who not only led the program, but did a majority of the fund-raising over the years.

"They say it costs \$100,000, but we after we raised money, that number was only like \$70,000," said Miller. "And that's not counting the \$50,000 we'd raise to fund our trip south. The school never paid for uniforms or jackets. We raised the money and bought our own uniforms and jackets."

"We only had 10 scholarships to work with so if we had 20 kids on the team with half rides, then that was also 20 kids on the team who paid for half a ride, so it wasn't a total loss. Now it's all gone."

PLEASE SEE U-D MERCY, B2

FLAT ROCK

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things never seem to go the way you think they're going to go out there"

So far things have been going just fine in 2004 for Hahn, who is in 10th place (1,415 points) in the Street Stock division. He trails standings pole-sitter Regan Ford by 480 points.

"I love the competition," Hahn said. "That's what keeps me coming out here every summer. The races are usually pretty close, so every move you make matters. A lot of times a tenth-of-a-second can determine what place you finish in. The speeds at Flat Rock aren't as high as some of the bigger tracks, but we get it up to about 90 (mph) on the straightaways."

Hahn said it's not unusual for himself and his crew to dedicate 30 to 40 hours a week preparing the car for racing. "We don't put in as much time as we used to, but we still put in a lot," he said.

The one place Hahn does not want to see his No. 33 car parked Monday mornings is in the parking lot of his workplace — Hahn's Collision.

Like father, like son

Some kids follow in their father's footsteps. Garden City's Ken Ahlgren



Paul Hahn of Canton looks through the window of his Street Stock car before he hits the track on Saturday at Flat Rock Speedway.

followed in his father's tire tracks, so to speak. "My dad (Ken Sr.) used to race and he'd bring me to the track as much as possible," the younger Ahlgren said. "As soon as I got my driver's license, I started racing. I remember being a little nervous the first time I raced, but it wore off pretty quickly."

Now in his 18th year of competitive racing, Ahlgren is in 12th place in the Late Model division. A tool-and-die maker by trade, he said the feeling he gets when the green flag is dropped is almost beyond words.

"It's a huge adrenaline rush when you feel those G-forces, he said. "It never gets old." Ahlgren spends as many as

three nights a week working on his No. 29 car with his crew.

"It's really a job unto itself during the week, maintaining the car and making sure it's going good," Ahlgren said. "But it's a satisfying job, especially when the car is running well."

"When you consider all the time we put into it — 12 hours at the track on Saturdays and a couple nights during the week — and the actual race only lasts, say, 25 minutes that shows how much we love racing."

Ahlgren's free time will be reduced even more next summer — his wife is expecting twins in February.

Young and fearless

You would think that someone with Schroeder's elevated

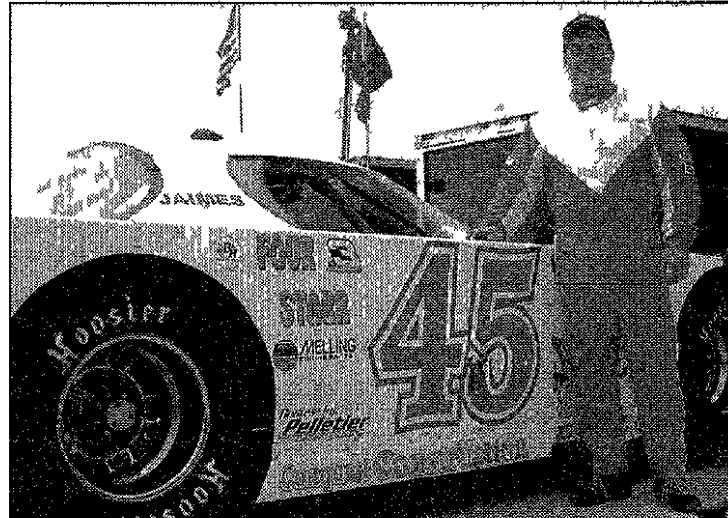


Kevin Reiten looks over his tool options as he preps Mike Jaynes' race car before a test run at Flat Rock.

driving skills would get a reduction on his auto insurance rates.

"Unfortunately, that's not the case," said his mother, Lisa. "I think if the insurance company knew he raced, they'd probably raise his rates. But he's actually a very careful driver out on the road."

Schroeder may be more of a risk-taker on the track, but it has paid dividends this year, only his second at Flat Rock. The youngest active driver at



Livonia's Mike Jaynes has been running his car at Flat Rock for 10 years.

the speedway currently sits in eighth place in the Street Stock division after moving up to as high as third three weeks ago.

"I've been racing go-carts since I was 8, so when I got a chance to race out at Flat Rock for the first time last year, it came easy to me," Schroeder said. "I haven't even told a lot of my friends and classmates (at Salem) about my racing because I don't want it to seem like I'm bragging. But the ones who do know think it's neat."

"It's definitely a rush when you get behind the wheel and start racing. The best part is when you accelerate and it throws your head back into the seat. There's nothing like it."

The Schroeders' racing expenses can run as high as \$1,000 a week. But it will all

be worth it if Justin can attain his ultimate goal — racing against his idols on the NASCAR circuit some day.

The advice I would give someone my age who is thinking about getting into racing is to make your parents happy," Schroeder said. "Oh, and don't wreck your car. Wrecks can be expensive."

Schroeder said he got a lot of helpful advice from his co-drivers last year when he first started racing.

But times have changed. "I don't get as much advice anymore now that I'm doing well," he said, smiling. "They're all still very nice and helpful to me, but they figure I must know what I'm doing by now."

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U-D MERCY

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Miller cited all the help the program received over the years from two people — retired businessmen James Campbell (who the baseball complex is named after) and Remo Vielmo.

"Whatever we needed they gave us," said Miller. "One year, we needed \$10,000 for a tarp and Remo got us a tarp. Campbell got us a scoreboard and fence and never asked for anything in return. But so many people helped us over the years."

For now the immediate task at hand for the players is deciding what to do next season. UDM will honor the play



Crepeau



Noonan

ers scholarships next season, but NCAA rules won't let them continue past the year unless there are extreme circumstances.

Crepeau, who wants to major in business, is looking at transferring to Oakland University. And Noonan, a pre-med student, is weighing his options.

I've been in contact with five or six schools and I have to make a decision soon," said

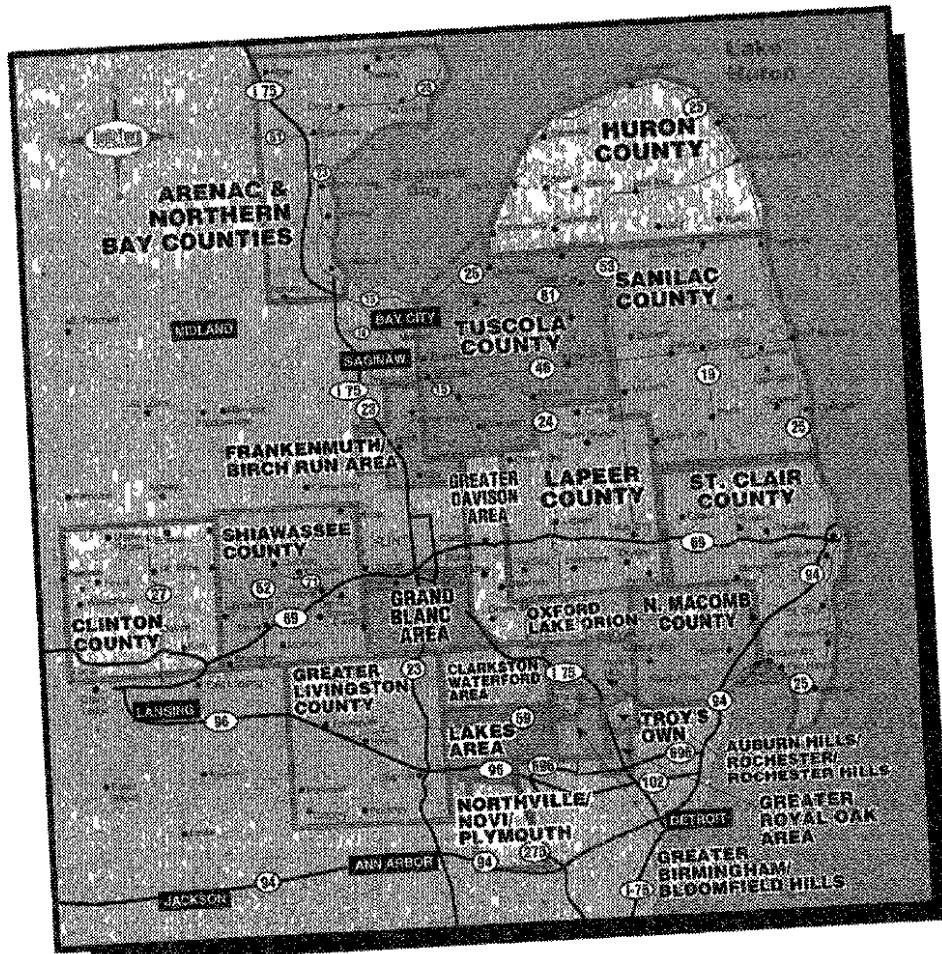
Noonan, who is interested in schools ranging from NCAA Division 1 to the NAIA. "The biggest thing for me is not wanting to go to a school with a lesser academic reputation. I want to go someplace on the same level as Detroit."

While Crepeau, Noonan and other players have a chance to continue playing baseball, it's the end of an era for Miller.

"All they said was we've got to cut (baseball) and that's it," said Miller. "My thought is what would (former Michigan football coach) Bo Schembechler do if his program was \$70,000 short? If he'd have needed it, they would have had the money in five minutes. They wouldn't do that here."

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Gold Cup troubles lead Tate to retire again

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

There comes a point in every racer's life when they have to decide that it's finally time to call it a career.

That time came Saturday for Cantons Mark Tate, sometime during the running of the 100th anniversary of the American Power Boat Association's Gold Cup race on the Detroit River.

Tate, a three-time Gold Cup winner who had decided to run the Miss Chrysler Jeep hydroplane as a favor, decided it was time again.

"It was emotionally tough and physically tough, but I withdrew from the final round because the boat was a handful," said Tate, who came out of retirement three weeks prior to the event as a favor to owner Jim Harvey, only to resign as driver after Saturday's heats.

"I told Jim I'm too darn competitive. I just can't go out and run around the course to place

the boat (in the standings) I run too hard to put myself in harm's way. Mentally, it was the right decision."

And it was a hard decision for the third-generation racer. "I had a lot of fun," said Tate, who also turned down a couple of opportunities to drive in the next few weeks. "I enjoyed the camaraderie with Jim and the crew. But after the day, I just felt I couldn't do it. My shoulder and elbow hurt and the boat was ill-handling. It was extremely heavy and the center point of lift was too far forward. We did everything we could to create lift, but it wasn't enough and wouldn't handle well in sloppy water or the sponson would grab and hook in the corners. The boat has potential, it just needs a diet."

Part of that diet would be lifting the deck and doing some work inside the hull.

"This was a new design and a new boat last year," said Tate, who felt he owed it to Harvey and the sponsor to continue as

long as he could, but finally had to relinquish the driving to Greg Hopp.

It needs the decks pulled off and needs a look at the internal part of the boat to remove weight from the center."

Tate's decision to retire is not the end of the blood line, or fuel line. Both his sons — 12-year-old Brent and 14-year-old Andrew — race competitively. Brent won a national title in the J-stock hydroplanes and Tate serves as their crew chief.

When Dad gives Andrew the good stuff (in setting up the boat), he wins," said Tate, adding both his sons will run in the J-stock National Championship in Whitney Point, N.Y., next month.

"But Dad doesn't do that for him often, because Dad wants him to learn how to drive, how to handle the boat in different types of conditions. But I couldn't be prouder of both of them."

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STEINTRAGER

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Steintrager said "I was winning 5-4 with 15 seconds left and tried to shoot him, but got rolled. I had no reason to shoot, I should have just circled out. I took a stupid risk, an unnecessary one and ended



Steintrager

up losing. This time, I just have to get real physical and pound at him. And I really have to avoid giving up any stupid points. It will be one of the last events Steintrager will wrestle

at for a while. He's already being redshirted next season at CMU and will hopefully emerge at 125 pounds. "I need the extra year of growth and maturity," Steintrager said. "I want to get bigger, stronger and get more experience."

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'The Greatest' visits Canton Softball Center

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Some of the best 13-year-old baseball players in the country got an opportunity to meet one of the greatest athletes of the 20th century when Muhammad Ali threw out the ceremonial first pitch for the USSSA Boys 13-and-under Baseball World Series Tuesday evening at the Canton Softball Center.

The opening ceremonies were originally scheduled for Sunday afternoon, but were pushed back due to inclement weather.

Ali was in town to watch his 13-year-old son, Asaad, who is a member of the Niles Vikings. Muhammad Ali has inter-

acted a lot with the players and their families this week," said Ann-Marie Carravallah, director of operations at the Canton Softball Center. "There was a long line of people waiting for his autograph in front of his Winnebago the other day. People have been very respectful of him and he has been very receptive of all the attention."

Observerland-area teams participating in the week-long tournament are the Livonia Lookouts, South Farmington Blues, Canton Cubs and Plymouth-Canton Reds.

The 84-team tournament attracted teams from 21 states. Pool play kicked off Monday morning and concluded Tuesday evening. The top 48 teams advanced to double

elimination championship bracket play, which started Wednesday morning and will run until Sunday morning.

The finals are slated for Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

It's been a great tournament so far, Carravallah said. "We've had big crowds and some very exciting games."

Beginning Monday, the Canton Softball Center will host the USSSA Girls 12-and-under Fast Pitch World Series. Opening ceremonies are scheduled for Monday at 6 p.m. on field 9.

Pool play will begin Tuesday morning.

For updates on the boys and girls tournaments, visit the Softball Center's web site at csc.canton-mi.org.

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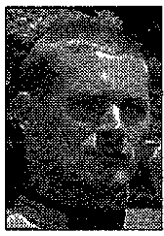
Livonia's Terek survives, headed to Athens for Olympics

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Livonia has another Olympian headed to Athens in one of the most grueling sports of all — the men's decathlon.

Paul Terek, a 1997 Franklin High graduate and former All-America at Michigan State, became the third Livonian headed for the 2004 Summer Olympic Games when he grabbed the third and final qualifying spot with a clutch performance in the 1,500-meter run in the U.S. Olympic Men's Track and Field Trials Saturday night in Sacramento, Calif.

The other Livonians who will compete in the Summer Games (Aug. 14-29) are men's lightweight-four rower Steve Warner and women's triathlete Sheila Taormina. Both are



Terek

Stevenson High grads Terek will join Trials winner Bryan Clay, who scored 8,660 points, and 2003 world champion Tom Pappas, who finished with 8,517, as part of a strong three-member American contingent in the men's decathlon, which will be held Aug. 23-24.

For the 24-year-old Terek, who scored a personal best 8,312 points in the two-day, 10-event decathlon, getting out of the Trials was more of a relief than anything. He can now reset his goals as an Olympian.

"I've never been to Greece and I don't know much about it other than the fact that it's

hot," he said. "We'll fly out Aug. 10 and we'll spend most of our time in Crete where the U.S. has a training village. I'll take part in the opening ceremonies. It will be fun and pretty cool. I've seen it on TV. It will be a nice thing to do."

At the Trials, Terek had a solid first-round showing on Friday with 4,242 points. His marks that day included a time of 10:98 in the 100 dash (seventh place), 23 feet, 10 2/5 inches in the long jump (sixth), 50-5 2/5 in the shot put (second), 6-7 in the high jump (seventh), and 48 7/4 in the 400 (sixth).

He was sixth overall after five events, but less than 100 points out of third with some of his strongest events to come the following day.

"I felt confident, within range, because I knew what

some of the athletes were capable of the second day, so I wasn't really worried," said Terek, who now trains with the World's Greatest Athletes Decathlon Club in San Luis Obispo, Calif.

Cadillac native Phil McMullen, who finished in the dreaded fourth-place spot at the 2000 Trials, pressed Terek to the final event when he had to beat the Livonian by more than 13 seconds to earn a position on the team.

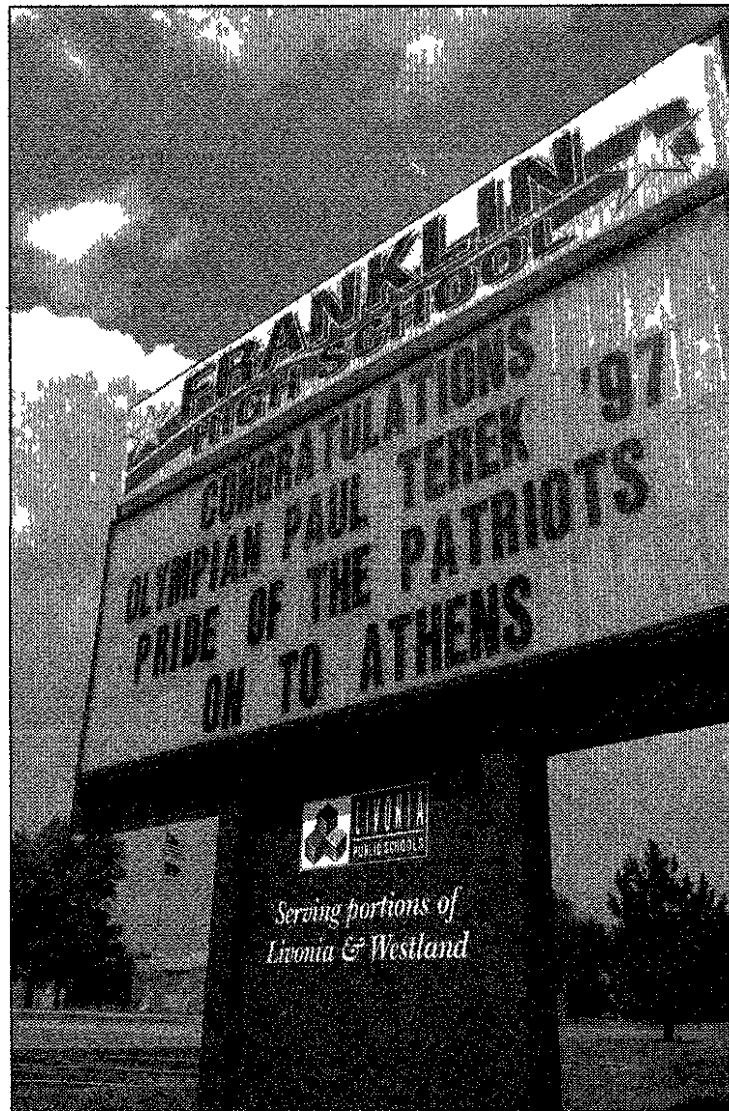
McMullen turned in the top 1,500 time of the day in 4:15.18, but Terek held on by going a personal best 4:24.28, finishing second overall and edging McMullen for the final spot.

"Phil is a great 1,500 runner and my plan was to go out and run 70- to 71-second quarters the first half, and be at 3:30 for 1,200, then try and hold on," Terek said. "Even if I had to fall down the last five meters, I was going to leave it all on the track."

Terek's other second-day marks included a 15.4 in his weakest event, the 110 hurdles (16th overall), 161-6 in the discus (third), 17-0 7/5 in the pole vault (first), and 179-0 5 in the javelin (10th).

"Other than the pole vault and the javelin, Paul did great in eight of the 10 events," said Terek's coach Sheldon Blockburger. "Hurdles is always a concern, but Paul just tried too hard in the javelin where he's capable of throwing 205 feet. He just had to slow it down. You can't play a good round of golf in 30 minutes, I told him you have to be patient and play it in three hours."

Terek will now fine-tune his



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A sign in front of Livonia Franklin High School on Tuesday shows pride in Terek's feat.

technique. He will attend a club fund-raiser next week in Boston and resume light training heading into Athens. Blockburger, meanwhile, believes Terek could be a factor in Athens.

"If all goes well he could score 8,400 points at the

Games, that's definitely a possibility," said the coach. "And with some luck he could be in the top five. And if somebody falters he could be standing somewhere on the podium."

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YES NO

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YES NO

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Terry G Bennett Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2004

Notice is hereby given that a Primary Election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan on Tuesday, August 3, 2004 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m., at which time candidates of the Republican and Democratic Parties, and non partisan candidates will be voted upon in Wayne County

- Representative in Congress
- State Representative
- Prosecuting Attorney
- Sheriff
- County Clerk
- County Treasurer
- Register of Deeds
- County Commissioner
- Delegate to County Convention

And Plymouth Township

- Supervisor
- Clerk
- Treasurer
- Four Trustees

And the following non partisan Offices

Judge of Circuit Court Non Incumbent Position - Vote 1

And the following Wayne County Proposals

PROPOSAL Q

BALLOT ADVISORY QUESTIONS

Shall Section 3 115 of the Wayne County Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that the county commission may place advisory questions on the Ballot?

YES NO

PROPOSAL R

REMOVAL OF COMMISSIONER FOR CAUSE

Shall Section 3 115 of the Wayne County Home Rule Charter be amended to provide that a Commissioner may be removed from office by a 2/3 vote of the County Commission for conviction or admission of a felony, and be disqualified from running for or holding a county office for 3 years, and to provide that a Commissioner may be removed from Office by a 4/5 vote for misfeasance of malfeasance of office or for moving out of district?

YES NO

Applications for absentee ballots for Charter Township of Plymouth registered voters may be requested from the Clerk's Office at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building No. 3, Plymouth Township, Michigan. Telephone numbers 354 3224 or 354 3228. Absentee ballots will be delivered to qualified absentee voters in person at the Clerk's Office from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 31st. On Monday, August 2nd, absentee voters may receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m.

All polling locations in the Township of Plymouth are accessible to the elderly and the handicapped. Polling places are as follows (Please note that the Township precinct locations or precinct numbers may not coincide with your school district precinct location or number)

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

Precinct 1	Farrand School	41400 Greenbriar
Precinct 2	Friendship Station	42375 Schoolcraft
Precinct 3	Allen School	11100 Haggerty Road
Precinct 4	Township Clerk's Office	42350 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 5	Bird School	220 N Sheldon Road
Precinct 6	West Middle School	44401 Ann Arbor trail
Precinct 7	United Assembly of God Church	46500 N Territorial Road
Precinct 8	St. Kenneth's Catholic Church	14951 Haggerty Road
Precinct 9	Church of the Nazarene	45801 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 10	Fiegel School	39750 Joy Road
Precinct 11	First Baptist Church	45000 N Territorial
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School	46081 Ann Arbor Road
Precincts 13 & 16	Lutheran Church of Resen Christ	46250 Ann Arbor Road
Precinct 14	Isbister School	9300 Canton Center Road
Precinct 15	First United Methodist Church	45201 N Territorial Road
Precinct 17	NorthRidge Church	49555 N Territorial Road

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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No. 1 Falcons stunned by Bulldogs, 4-2 Whalers offer prospects' camp

Do you believe in minor miracles?

The 12th-seeded Bulldogs do after upsetting the top seeded Falcons, 4-2, in the first round of the Metro Summer Hockey League playoffs Sunday night at the Suburban Traming Center in Farmington Hills.

Despite winning just one regular-season contest, the Bulldogs completed the upset thanks to a strong, complete-game effort in goal from Sean Varriale.

Offensively the Bulldogs were paced by Adam Griffin (two goals), Jason Babile (one goal and one assist) and James Crank (one goal and one assist). Brandon Mishowski (Westland) added an assist for the winners.

Falcons goalie Jake Archer (Livonia) kept his team in the game with several outstanding saves. Scoring for the Falcons

MSHL PLAYOFFS

were Jim Wheaton (Plymouth) and Tom Gerken. Bryan Ellis (Livonia) and Shawn Anderson (Livonia) recorded assists for the Falcons.

Huskies 10, Lakers 6: Mark Pietila scored three goals and added an assist to lead the Huskies into the second round of the playoffs. The winners led 7-3 after two periods before playing the Lakers even in the third.

Trent Daavetila (two goals), Lars Helminen, Andrew Lunard, Phil Pietila, Dwight Helminen and Todd Pietila also scored goals for the Huskies. Joseph Rutherford and Rob Wagener shared time in goal for the Huskies.

The Lakers got two goals and three assists from Andy

Howard and two assists from Eric Dolesh (Farmington Hills). Lanny Jardine took the loss in goal for the Lakers.

Wildcats 9, Spartans 5: The Wildcats broke open a 5-5 game in the third period with three goals from Brandon Scero (Canton) and one from Bryan Murphy. Scero finished with five goals and two assists. Ryan Maki also had a strong offensive game, netting one goal and three assists.

Goalie Matt Modelski was credited with the win for the Wildcats.

The Spartans were paced by Redford's Chris Powroznik (two goals and two assists) and Westland's Jason Turri (one goal and one assist). Westland's Jason Ryan suffered the defeat between the pipes for the Spartans.

Broncos 20, Redhawks 5:

Brett John (Plymouth) tallied five goals and five assists to lead the Broncos to a lopsided victory in the first round of the MSHL playoffs Sunday night. Brandon Naurato (Livonia) also lit the lamp five times and dished out five assists for the winners.

The Broncos' Adam Miller also made a major contribution, scoring once while distributing nine assists. Also pitching in to the winning cause were Plymouth's Zach MacVoy (two goals and four assists) and Chris Fairbanks (three goals and four assists).

Jason Simota (Livonia) played well for the Redhawks, notching a goal and four assists, while Sean Burke (Livonia) had a hat trick. Livonia's Bernie McDonnell played the entire game in goal for the Redhawks.

The Plymouth Whalers have organized a camp that can help elite hockey players navigate through the sometimes frustrating world of professional hockey recruiting.

The Whalers' '89 Prospects Camp, which is designed for players born in 1989 and their parents, will be held Aug. 15-18 at the Computware Sports Arena.

The camp will consist of seminars for players and their parents concerning issues that are encountered during the recruiting process. Seminar topics will include the Ontario Hockey League vs. the NCAA, the OHL draft and the role of agents, strength and conditioning, and scouting philosophies. There will also be several guest speakers.

Among last year's speakers was Detroit Red Wings Assistant General Manager

Jim Nill, who talked about how the National Hockey League scouts young, elite players.

Along with the enlightening seminars, the camp will give the players an opportunity to showcase their talents against top players in their age groups.

"We think the camp is a unique opportunity for players and their parents," said camp director Greg Stefan. "The players get scouted among their peers. It's a great way for parents to receive information about issues they'll be dealing with directly as their son gets older."

The four-day seminar will be evenly split between practice and games.

For more information on the camp, contact Stefan at (734) 453-8400 or visit the Whalers' web site at www.plymouth-whalers.com.

Junior tours converge at Detroit GC

The largest events on the Power-Bilt and Meijer Junior Players Tour attracted several of the elite Observerland golfers to the Detroit Golf Club on Monday.

While only one of the areas golfers - Livonia's Andrea Warzyniec - earned medalist honors, many turned in commendable performances.

The Power-Bilt tour is reserved for the more accomplished junior golfers in the state, while the Meijer tour was developed for younger, less established players.

POWER-BILT TOUR

Boys 16-and-up: Farmington Hills residents Matt Malloure and Joseph Stefan fired 74s to finish in a five-way tie for seventh place.

Other local golfers who competed included Livonia's Brian King (77) and Patrick Alger (79). Canton's Andrew Thackaberry (79), Plymouth's Brian Shaw (81), Farmington Hills' Brandon Raymond (84), Canton's Mike Cassidy (86), Plymouth's Adam Dwyer (88), and Livonia's Brad Fischer (88).

Boys 11-15: Plymouth's Jeffrey Selasky was the area's top finisher, carding an 81, which was good enough for a tie for 18th place. Other local competitors included Plymouth's Jimmie Viecek (82), Austin Kronig (85) and Michael Gersich (88).

Girls 11-15: Warzyniec fired an 82 to finish ahead of the field. She defeated Caledonia's Kristina Langton by four shots and Lake Orion's Darby Peters by five.

Meijer Junior Tour

MEIJER JUNIOR TOUR

Boys 15-and-up: Livonia's Tommy Lucko and Plymouth's Stephen Pitzner both shot 77s to pace the local contingent. Also competing were Plymouth's Matt Talbot (80) and Brandon Pitzner (83), Livonia's Anthony Azoian (85), Canton's Ryan Hoeman (86), Plymouth's Nick Tagge (87), Livonia's Drew Herron (90), and Farmington Hills' Tom Hubbard (92).

Girls 15-and-up: Livonia's Kelly Thomas turned in an impressive 86 and finished one stroke behind Troy's Jennifer Lucas. Farmington Hills' Helen Battersby tied for sixth with a 96.

Boys 13-14: Livonia's Ryan Alger tied for sixth with a 76. Canton's Ross Gerulis just missed a top-10 finish as his 79 was good enough for 11th.

Other area competitors were Livonia's Austin Stillman (83), Garden City's Nicholas Walker (86) and Farmington Hills' Brian Battersby (90).

Boys 10-12: Plymouth's Brendan Muir was the lone area competitor, finishing 17th with an 88.

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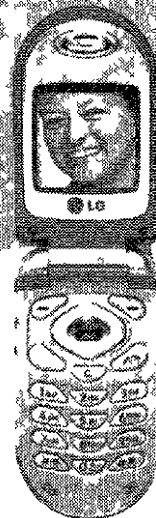
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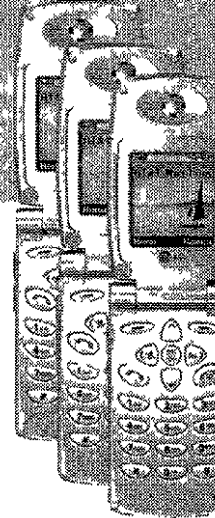
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Correction

This photo misidentified the batter in Sunday's Observer. The correct hitter was Billy Ardt of the Plymouth-Canton Rising Stars, shown here concentrating as he takes a swing at a pitch during a game on Friday

Rams rebound after being swept

The Michigan Lake Area Rams bounced back from a doubleheader sweep on Sunday with a 4-3 win over Blackwolf on Monday in Livonia Collegiate Baseball League play at Ford Field.

The Rams, who have struggled at the plate in the last couple of weeks, only had one hit in the sixth inning, but had three runs in the frame to take a 4-2 lead.

Adam Schulz was 2-for-4 with an RBI for the Rams, while Brian Campbell (Liv Stevenson) was 1-for-4 with two RBI, including the game winner. John Weisman added a triple and a run scored, while Dan Dobberowsky, Ben Darga and Matt Cunningham all

LCBL BASEBALL

scored. Adam Goslin homered for Blackwolf, while Kyle Wade doubled and Lance Boehm, Ryan Miller and Dan Packey all singled.

Gary Zielke (Liv Stevenson) got the win for the Rams (19-9-1), allowing four hits and four strikeouts, while Ben Darga got the save. Ryan Sulek took the loss for Blackwolf.

On Sunday, the Rams dropped another doubleheader - this time to the Panthers - in a 2-0 and 10-2 pair of defeats.

In the opener, Mike McCormick shut down the Rams on a three-hitter - all

singles by Campbell, Nick Thurman and Weisman.

Corey Krug took the loss for the Rams, allowing just two runs, but scattering eight hits with nine strikeouts. Tim Doig, Alex Martin and John Hester were all 2-for-3 for the Panthers.

In the nightcap, the Panthers cracked three Rams pitchers for 12 hits and 10 runs - led by a six-run second inning.

John Hester, Pappas and Ben Jones led the Panthers with three hits each, while Pappas and Jones both had two RBIs and two runs scored. Dobberowsky was charged with six of the runs and took the loss.

Tyler Carter shut down the

Rams on a three-hitter in four innings, while Kirk Akers had three innings of no-hit relief.

Weisman had two of the hits, with a double, an RBI and a run scored. Zielke had a double and an RBI, while Ryan Heath also scored a run.

On Friday, the Rams stopped the Eagles, 4-0, on a nearly flawless outing on the mound by Nate Korff. Korff allowed just two hits and struck out 10 with no walks.

The Rams scattered five hits, with Heath going 2-for-2, with an RBI and a run scored. Darga had a hit and two RBIs, Cunningham had an RBI and Campbell had a hit and scored a run in the rain-shortened game.

Hospice run set for Oakland CC

The Second Annual Mary Angela Run for Angela Hospice will take place Sunday, Aug. 15, at Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

The race is named in honor of Farmington Hills resident Mary Angela DiGiovanni, a Mercy High School graduate and University of Michigan graduate student who died in an auto accident in January, 2003.

Through the support of more than 1,000 participants and sponsors, the first event raised \$60,000 last year to help care for terminally ill children and adults.

Now a committee of 40 of Mary Angela's friends and family is preparing for the second race and hoping to make this year's event as much of a success.

"This run not only provides a way for us to remember Mary Angela's wonderful qualities," said Nancy Jess, who is coordinating the event with her husband, Dan. "It also supports an organization that is providing help to so many families in our community."

All proceeds from the event go to benefit Angela Hospice's programs for terminally ill patients and their families, including inpatient and home

hospice care, pediatric and prenatal hospice programs and grief support services that are offered free of charge to patient families and community members.

Individuals may participate in a number of ways to help support Angela Hospice.

Registrations are now being taken for the 5K run, 10K run, or one-mile fitness walk, with a standard entry fee of \$20. For a \$50 donation, individuals can register as a "Mary's Angel" and receive entry in the race event of their choice, recognition on event signage and a special "Mary's Angel" T-shirt. The event begins at 9 a.m.

"The community's support of this event is truly inspiring," said Dan Jess, race coordinator and friend of Mary Angela's parents, Hummer General Manager Mike DiGiovanni and Angela Hospice Ethics Manager Chris DiGiovanni. "The success of this event is a great tribute to Mary Angela. It reflects her character - her deep desire to help others and her commitment to improving health care for those in need."

For more information about Angela Hospice or to register for this event, please call the race hotline at (734) 953-6015 or visit www.angelahospice.org.

Bucks face Boulder in Central semifinals

The Mid-Michigan Bucks will play the Boulder Rapids Reserves in the Central Conference playoffs on Friday night in Ft. Wayne, Ind., as they try to advance in the Premier Development League playoffs.

The game is one of two semifinals on Friday night as the Ft. Wayne Fever play the

Chicago Fire Reserves. The Bucks (11-3-2) will face Boulder (13-4-1) at 6 p.m. with the other game at 8:30 p.m.

The winners will play in Ft. Wayne at 8:30 p.m. Saturday with the champion taking on the Western Conference winner next weekend in the PDL semis.

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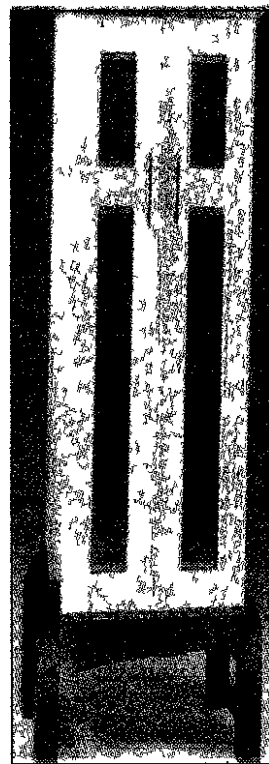
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Accents

Fair furniture

Home furnishings, such as this wood piece by Dennis Paul Peterson of Ohio, are among the works featured at the



Ann Arbor Art Fairs this week.

The four art fairs - the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair (visit www.artfair.org for schedules and artist listings), the State Street Area Art Fair (www.A2state.com), the Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair (www.michigan-guild.org) and Ann Arbor's South University Art Fair (www.A2southu.com) - continue through Saturday, July 24, throughout the streets of the city.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday.

Entertainment, activities for children and teens, art workshops and demonstrations, and food are also featured. Shuttle bus service is available.

For information, call the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau at (800) 888-9487 or visit www.annarbor.org.

Use it or lose it

When it comes to a dishwasher, use it, protect it or lose it.

So say Morris and James Carey of AP Weekly Features.

Unlike other appliances, the less you use the dishwasher, the more likely it is to break down, they write. They offer the following information.

Water that remains in the bottom of your dishwasher is there for a reason: It keeps seals moist. This prevents leaks and protects the motor.

But when it's not used for long periods, the water evaporates, seals dry out, and leaks and motor problems become likely.

To prevent this, when a dishwasher will sit unused for more than two or three weeks, pour in a half-cup of liquid bleach to prevent bacterial buildup.

Then add three tablespoons of mineral oil.

It coats the surface of the water and prevents evaporation, even over long periods of time.

Keep growing

A little herb maintenance goes a long way

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK | STAFF WRITER

Farmington Garden Club members heard a call to action and did something about it.

Betti Pool coordinated with other Farmington Garden Club members the cleanup and replanting of the herb garden at the Warner Mansion in June.

Pool and the other volunteers cleaned up the overgrown 15-by-15-foot site, and replaced everything in it.

The group volunteered to work on the site after the new president of the Federation of Garden Clubs called on members in all of their districts to volunteer on community projects.

The mansion garden needed some work and the garden club got to it.

"First we cleaned up the soil, and removed all the old roots," Pool said. "We put in new plants there. You don't put fertilizer on them until they're about a month old."

Volunteers planted parsley, calendula, lamb's ear, strawberries, chives and hucote lavender at the Grand River mansion.

What applies to this project, homeowners can use on their own if they want to create their own herb garden.

Herbs don't require much attention — just water and perhaps a little fertilizer, Pool said.

"(The mansion) has such wonderful soil over there. The herbs will grow very nicely as long as you have nicely drained soil."

Herbs thrive in different kinds of soil, but they do not do well in all sand, Pool said. "If you do have clay, you should add compost to it," she said.

"You do want to watch the soil and keep it watered," she said. Water in the morning, she suggests. Overwatering can create mildew on certain species of herbs.

Fungicide will remove mildew or "black spot" from plants. The group used Miracle-Gro to fertilize the herbs.

Herbs are used in herbal aromatherapy, touted for their medicinal purposes or their soothing scents. They are grown for culinary purposes. And, of course, many of them are beautiful in bloom.

Author Jenna McVicar writes in her book *New Book of Herbs* that gardeners should consider height when planning a design — some herbs like mint spread

PLEASE SEE HERBS, C4

MARKET PLACE

Submissions

Do you have a special item you'd like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home? We'd like to feature it! Send a photo or slide of the piece along with information to Ken Abramczyk, At Home editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150.



Tasteful rooms

Trevarrow Inc.'s Gallery of Culinary Arts helps homeowners and designers visualize and create dream kitchens.

The gallery of 11 designer showroom kitchens is at Trevarrow's corporate office and showroom, 1295 N. Opdyke in Auburn Hills.

Each showroom is beautifully appointed, with designs ranging from Japanese Contemporary to French Country and everything in between, and appliances from manufacturers that are prominent in the high-end consumer appliance market.

The gallery is a collaboration of kitchen designers, architects and builders organized by Trevarrow.

"We wanted the consumer to be able to select their appliances in an environment that gives them a taste of the variety and options available in today's high-end appliance market," said Bruce Trevarrow.

"What customers really want to know is, 'What can (the) appliance do for me?' Features and benefits determine their choices. Aesthetics is really secondary."

The showroom presented here features examples of the products, cabinetry and countertops available in estate homes built by Mocer Companies. Call Trevarrow Inc. at (800) 482-1948 for an appointment.

HOME CALENDAR

Fashion dolls

The Barbie and Friends Fashion Doll Show will take place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday Aug 1 at the Wayne Tree Manor 35100 Van Born in Wayne. The show will feature vintage and limited edition Barbies by renowned doll artists and fashion designers pink box series Barbies and other fashion dolls and accessories. Admission is \$5 free for under age 10. For information call (734) 455 2110.

Bird expo

The Ann Arbor Cage Bird Club a non profit educational and charitable organization will present its 19th annual Bird Expo 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday Aug 1 at Webers Inn 3050 Jackson in Ann Arbor. Admission is \$3 for adults free for under age 12. The event will include talks on Choosing a Parrot Species and on Better Bird Care and Behavior Problems Birds play stands toys T shirts and raffles will also be featured. Money raised from the expo is donated to local and international avian conservation groups pet bird health

research veterinary scholarships and bird rescues

All birds will have a visual check by an avian veterinarian before entering the show. Guests aren't allowed to bring their pet birds to the expo. Strollers are discouraged due to heavy traffic. For more information contact Melanie at (734) 662 4582 or melaniecunningham2000@yahoo.com or Mary at (734) 326 0720 or mdw@0123@aol.com or visit www.aabc.org

Meadow Brook Hall

Meadow Brook Hall on the Oakland University campus in Rochester offers a variety of tours and delicious food. Meadow Brook Hall's Thoroughly Modern Tulle tour showcases Matilda Rausch Dodge Wilson as a modern and progressive woman beyond her time. All three levels of Meadow Brook Hall are included on the 1 1/2 hour tour which takes place 10:30 a.m. noon 1:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. daily. Admission is \$15 free for ages 2 and under. The general tour at Meadow Brook Hall includes the main and entertainment levels of the house. Tours last

approximately 45 minutes and take place 11:15 a.m. 12:45 p.m. and 2:15 p.m. daily now to Labor Day. Admission is \$12.50 free for ages 2 and under. The new Garden and Architectural Tour explores the gardens of Meadow Brook Hall and amazing architectural structures surrounding it. Tours are available 12:45 p.m. Monday Sunday now to Labor Day. Admission is \$8 free for ages 2 and under. Knoie Cottage has undergone some renovations to ready itself for the summer months. New landscaping provides the perfect setting to enjoy a lemonade and cookie stand oversized tic tac toe game and croquet on the lawn outside the cottage. Inside the cottage children can enjoy an activity center and kid friendly music.

If you have an item for the calendar please submit it at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk At Home Editor Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150 or e mail kabramczyk@os.homecomm.net

U.S.-made appliances have disappeared

recently read an article titled, *The Asian Appliance Invasion, in Professional Service Association, a trade magazine*. It reminded me of something I wrote in this column years ago that major names that we grew up with knowing are long gone and no longer exist.



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

Names such as Philco, Hamilton and others have disappeared from the American market and new names are coming in strong. Can you remember the big names in the Electronics industry such as Motorola, Sylvania, Magnavox or others which are today's brand names on foreign manufactured products?

Take the brand name RCA that had been obtained by the French company, Thomson Multimedia, and now being manufactured by a Chinese company named TCL as part of a stock swap deal to reduce Thomson's manufacturing costs. The strength of the electronics industry has diminished greatly during the 1990s. I'll bet your bottom dollar the same thing is going to happen

in the major home appliance industry. The only question is when or is it well on its way now.

Many well known American companies are outsourcing their manufactured products to other countries because they can't compete with imported products. While all of this is going on, names such as Haier, LG, Daewoo and others from across the pond are stepping right into the retail market and taking a firm hold. The big factor to consider will be the price wars created by this great influx of major appliances and the demise of America's remaining brand names. If you have any doubts about what I'm writing today, let's take another example from the electronics industry.

The last holdout was a giant American company called Zenith which filed for bankruptcy in the 1990s and ended up being absorbed by a Korean company called LG.

From what I have been reading, it appears that there are no U.S. manufacturing plants of companies owned by Americans that make electronic products.

Let me give some revealing information about the service industry. In 1992 there were over 20,000 electronic service centers in this country. Today we have less than 8,000. The

major appliance industry is faring only slightly better, but with a drop from 18,000 to 12,000.

What's happened is that they make the products so cheap that it becomes a way of life of buying a new one instead of having the old one fixed. It won't be long before we all treat electronics and appliances like throwaway items. Have you tried to have a VCR repaired lately? The parts cost exceed the price of a new one. The touch pad control on a major appliance can cost more than the product itself.

We as consumers might consider ourselves the winners throughout all of this self-created turmoil within the industries.

We are purchasing products for less but should realize that the life span of such is less.

We should also be considerate of those thousands of Americans whose lives have been turned upside down. I cannot even imagine what some of these poor folks are going through when told they can't work at their jobs anymore. Can you?

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.

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Designer Interiors by Mary Olk wins award

For the fifth year in a row, Designer Interiors by Mary Olk has been honored with a Building Association of Southeast Michigan's Sales and Marketing Award for its unique ability to add essential sales appeal to new home models.

Designer's Interiors work at Curtis Building Company's Whitehall II model at the neo-traditional Cherry Hill Village in Canton was honored with a Silver Award at the Sales and Marketing Council's awards celebration held last month at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth.

This recognition is particularly gratifying given the outstanding competition in the market, and the challenge we

had at Cherry Hill to make this home stand out in a development of multiple builders," said Mary Olk, president and founder of Troy-based Designer Interiors.

Whitehall II's design/merchandising combines lush colors and functional, stylish furnishings. Sophisticated cabinetry complements jewel-colored kitchen accessories and a family-sized breakfast nook, while inviting living room detailing entices potential buyers to relax by the fire with their favorite book. Custom bedding and drapery conveys a regal aura in the master suite, punctuating the homes appeal to move up buyers.

Designer Interiors long-

term success in the market has pushed its annual production volume from about 10 new models or community club-houses a year a decade ago to more than 50 models in 2003.

Other recent, high profile assignments have included the 2003 Homearama model for C.R. Miller Homes at Stratford in Washington Township, as well as a Mocer Companies' show home at The Oaklands in Oakland Township, which served as a featured attraction during an earlier Somerset Collection Home and Garden Show.

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Some reasons why trees die

Owen Tree Service Inc., which serves Southeast Michigan - including Oakland, Lapeer, Genesee, Macomb and St. Clair counties - gives the following eight reasons why trees die

■ **Accidents** - Automobiles, storms and even lawn mowers can cause bark damage and wounds on trees

You can avoid tree wounding by planting trees in sheltered locations or by providing some sort of barrier

Be very careful while using lawn mowers and weed trimmers, as careless use can damage the roots and bark of even large trees

Check for any damage incurred during heavy storms, and treat it promptly

Remember The integrity and stability of a tree changes over time

■ **Too much herbicide** - When used properly, chemicals can be benefit trees and their growth Improperly used, herbicides can interact with the roots and damage the tree's health

Make sure the instructions for application are carefully followed Seek professional help whenever you are unsure

■ **Soil compaction** - This is a slow tree damage process, often with few or no other signs of the cause

In compacted soil, pore space has been reduced and roots don't get enough oxygen Often the tree slowly declines and dies

Soil compaction can be avoided by aerating the soil, by mulching, and by preventing soil disruption around trees on construction sites

■ **Bad planting** - Planting is one of the most important processes to ensure the tree's health and longevity

Make sure the planting hole is two to three times wider, but no deeper, than the tree's root ball

Plant trees promptly and make sure they get adequate water so that roots don't dry

■ **Watering** - Both over- and under-watering can be harmful for trees Watering is critical for all trees in dry spells as well as for young or newly transplanted trees

Monitoring the soil moisture is one the best ways of making sure that adequate water is provided

■ **Location, location, location** - Trees need proper sunlight and should be appropriate for the climatic conditions, or plant hardiness zone, of the area

Visualize the actual height the tree could reach and make sure there are no power lines in its path and the tree is a good distance from the house, other structures and other plants

■ **Painting tree wounds and filling cavities with concrete** - Paint on tree wounds will actually trap moisture in the wood, increasing the chances of decay

If you want to paint a wound for cosmetic reasons, use a very thin coating of wound dressing Trunk cavities filled with cement make the tree unusually rigid, which can restrict the tree's movement in high winds and leave the upper portion of the canopy to bear the brunt of the force

■ **Improper pruning** - Pruning should follow standards established in ANSI A300, published by the American National Standards Institute

Proper pruning is a tree health treatment, but one of the most neglected tree care practices

Oakland County home shows off new design

Builders, architects and bankers created a \$1.8 million luxury Show Home to help raise money for local charities, while at the same time allowing participants an opportunity to win various prizes

The Ultimate Show Home was built through the efforts of Custom Homes by Derocher, Dominick Tringali Architects, The Somerset Collection and Standard Federal Bank The home incorporates the latest trends and design ideas It is completely furnished by Somerset Collection's finest retailers

With a \$10 donation, you will be able to tour this magnificent home, starting Saturday, July 24 to Sept 10 Your Show Home ticket will include a shuttle service to the Show Home from The Somerset Collection It will also entitle you to an entry to win the master bedroom set at the Show Home, valued at \$11,000 and a complimentary gift from Williams-Sonoma Grande Cuisine or The Bombay Company Tickets can be purchased at the Concierge desk at The

Somerset Collection North A contribution of \$1,000 will automatically enter you into a \$1 million raffle Only 1,800 tickets will be sold for this raffle and each participant will receive a one-year membership in the exclusive Somerset Platinum Program This program includes free valet, coffee or tea from Starbucks, free gift wrap, coat check and other various gifts throughout the year

It will also include two strolling dinner tickets, hosted by Capital Grille at Somerset Collection, on the day of the drawing, Sept 12

Participants are eligible to win \$1 million, first prize, a miniature playhouse (displayed in Somerset Collection Grand Court), second prize, a \$5,000 Somerset Collection shopping spree (including 10 hours with an interior designer), third prize

The Somerset Home and Garden Show has scheduled more events in The Somerset Collection Grand Court

The miniature Show Home playhouse - a replica of the

full-sized version - features flowering gardens, a stone pathway and brick façade Make a donation and your child can be architect for the day

Your child will receive an authentic architect tube filled with supplies to use their wildest imagination in drawing their own dream home

Their artwork will be displayed at The Somerset Collection and their name will be entered into a drawing for a miniature motorized Porsche or miniature motorized Golf Cart The drawing will be held Sept 12

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Ticket sales will go toward helping three local charities JVS, Grace Centers of Hope, and Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County

JVS's goal is to help people meet life's challenges through counseling, training and support service in accordance with Jewish values of equal opportunity, compassion and responsibility

JVS believes the best way to help people is to make it possible for them to help themselves

Grace Centers of Hope, formerly Pontiac Rescue Mission, is Oakland County's oldest and largest homeless shelter since 1942

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GARDEN CALENDAR

Pressed flowers

A Framed Pressed Flowers Workshop will take place 5 p.m. Thursday July 22 at Shades of Green 496 E. Avon Road in Rochester Hills. Cost is \$5 per person supplies included. Call (248) 651 1620 to sign up and for more information.

Michigan School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia just west of Middlebelt in the Milo Shopping Plaza and at Goldner Walsh Nursery 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph. Register early. Seating is limited. Some classes have pre-requisites. For more information call (248) 4 GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com. The schedule includes Vegetable Garden Pests two sessions beginning Thursday July 22 in Livonia (fee is \$69). Fruit Tree and Shrub Pests Mondays July 26 to Aug. 2 in Livonia (\$82). Garden Design five sessions beginning Thursday July 29 or Friday July 30 in Livonia (\$162) and Ornamental Grasses and Alternative Lawns Wednesdays Aug. 4-11 in Livonia (\$69).

Simply roses

American Rose Society members will

assist the public with growing roses simply 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday July 24 at Anglin Landscape Nursery 42750 Grand River in Novi. Over 200 beautiful roses are on display. For information contact Pat at (248) 449 4626.

Annuals, steppables

Telly's Greenhouse & Garden Center 3301 John R in Troy has scheduled programs 10 a.m. Saturdays. See some new and/or forgotten annuals that look wonderful this time of year at Hey Look At Me Now Rediscovering Underused Annuals (July 24). A relatively new brand of perennial plants is ideal for between pavers and stepping stones. In Jeepers Creepers Steppables (July 31) Debbie Knitz will teach you how to select and grow these low profile plants that will tolerate at least some foot traffic. Call (248) 689 8735 for information.

Plant problems

Learn about some common problems that occur during the gardening season in Pests and Other Plant Problems a free seminar hosted by English Gardens 7 p.m. Wednesday July 28 at all five locations. A bevy of solutions will be provided. 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.

Garden gala

Gala in the Garden an art show in the garden with local artists entertainment and refreshments will take place 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday Aug. 1 at Shades of Green 496 E. Avon Road in Rochester Hills. Admission is free. Call (248) 651 1620 for information.

Pond tour

The second annual Pond and Garden Tour of the Pond and Garden Club of Metro Detroit will take place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday July 31 in Detroit and in the Inkster Road Nine Mile area. Tickets are \$10 for adults free for supervised children under 12. Tickets may be bought in advance by calling (313) 867 0324 or (313) 533 5609. They will be available on the day of the event at Focus Hope Park across from 1355 Oakman Blvd. between Linwood and Hamilton in Detroit where the tour will begin.



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Rosemary is one of the favorites of many herb gardeners

HERBS

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very quickly, so you may wish to grow them in containers instead of the herb bed to keep their growth in check," McVicar writes.

She recommends removing moss and weeds in the spring, fertilize pot-grown pots and control pests in the spring, cut back flowers in the summer and cut back established plants, lift tender plants and feed established plants in the fall. Protecting exposed tender

plants helps in the winter.

Using compost is easy. Start with a layer of woody prunings, which allow air to circulate. Add grass clippings, then a layer of kitchen scraps, then a layer of straw or cardboard. If mix is too wet, add more straw or woody prunings. Compost should be dark brown and crumbly when it is ready about 16 weeks later, McVicar writes.

Herbs can add tremendous color and beauty to a home. Hal Estry and his wife, Donna, just planted dozens of various lavender plants on the approach to their home in Ypsilanti Township.

"Then we have another two dozen different lavender on the walk to the house," Estry said.

There's rosemary, thyme and

the lemon flavors of lemon grass, lemon balm, lemon thyme, lemon verbena in their yard.

Kathy Mathews, owner of Heavenly Scent Herb Farm in Fenton, tells gardeners to "start small" if growing culinary herbs. "Buy the basics, maybe twelve of them, get a book and use them in different recipes," Mathews said.

Pool enjoys growing purple coneflower. She doesn't use the echinacea from the plant, she just likes the way it looks. "It's all over my garden."

Pool's favorite herb is dill. "Because of the memories of my grandfather. He liked to grow dill and I remember the smell."

That's a nice memory," Pool said.

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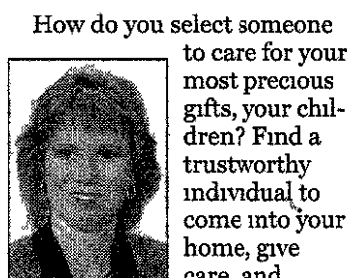
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Trust is key when hiring babysitter for your young ones

I am reluctant to leave my children in the care of just anyone. Who can I trust and what can I do to make sure everything runs normally when I am not there?



Domestic Planner

Diana Koenig

How do you select someone to care for your most precious gifts, your children? Find a trustworthy individual to come into your home, give care, and maintain order in your absence can be a very daunting task. Here are some tips on how to select that perfect baby sitter and how to prepare your home so things run smoothly while you are away.

CHOOSING THE BABY-SITTER

It is so important to find a person who is both reliable and loves children. The obvious place to start is within your own family. Healthy, eager grandparents that are in town make an excellent first choice.

Another option is aunts, uncles or other relatives. Close friends or neighbors are also a good choice. If you do not pay

relatives or friends to care for your children, there are other ways to show appreciation.

Send a thank-you note to express your gratitude. Give them a handmade gift or homemade baked goods.

You could trade baby-sitting services with neighbors or friends who also have children.

If you do not have close friends or family to rely on, consider joining or starting a baby-sitting organization with a group of women you trust.

This could be a group from your neighborhood, school, religious organization, or a club you have joined. Instead of paying for a baby sitter, you 'buy' baby-sitting time by offering your services.

It is very simple. If you baby sit for 15 hours, then you have 15 hours of time to use a sitter. You will need a volunteer secretary to keep track of everyone's hours.

Hiring a baby sitter to come into your home is another alternative. Your first choice should be someone you know or one who comes highly recommended by someone you trust.

Before you leave your children with someone you do not know, you could hire them to baby sit while you remain at

home and work on a project. Do this several times and observe their interaction with your children.

I am also a believer in trusting your gut feeling after taking all other reasonable precautions.

How you feel about leaving your children with that person may well be the most important criteria.

HOME PREPARATIONS

The following tips will help make the baby sitter's job easier.

Leave your home neat and organized so the baby sitter does not have to spend time rummaging through your personal things to find a needed item.

If the house is a mess, the baby sitter may feel obligated

to straighten up. This can be awkward and can divert the sitter from giving needed attention to your children.

Make a baby sitter notebook that includes emergency phone numbers, a number where you can be reached, and a list of special instructions that include bedtimes and children's routines.

Put a bedtime story with the baby sitter notebook. Clearly designate what toys should be played with. Put specific limits on which and how many toys can be hauled out at once.

Be stingy with toys that have many pieces such as puzzles and building sets. Set appropriate time limits for various activities.

Make it clear to the sitter which rooms are off limits to

the children. You can also close doors or block off areas of the house.

Put away items such as crayons, markers, glue, and play-doh. These items can create messes and require close supervision.

You may not want to risk damage to your furniture, walls, or floors.

Make a list of house rules for the children and baby-sitter. Post the rules on the refrigerator and make sure everyone understands what you expect.

Lay out snacks or make a list of what snacks are to be consumed.

Avoid messy snacks that create lots of crumbs.

Instruct the sitter to have the children sit in the kitchen to eat their snack.

Lay out a change of clothes or show the sitter where extra

clothes are located. The dishwasher should be partially or completely empty so the sitter can load snack dishes.

Offer to pay the sitter a little extra if she would like to help with a few household chores after the children are in bed.

This could include such things as folding laundry, washing dishes, or dusting.

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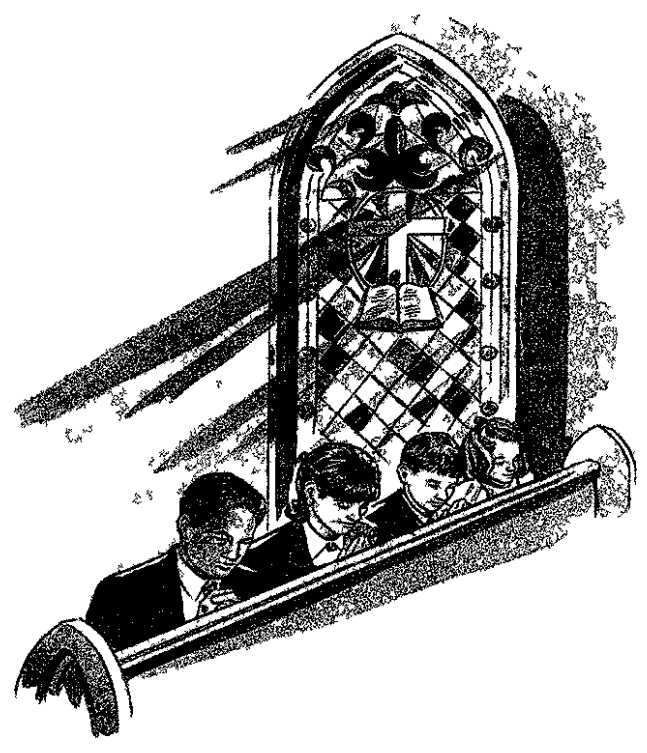
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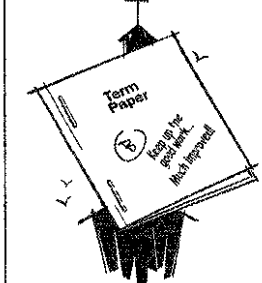
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RELIGION CALENDAR

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JULY

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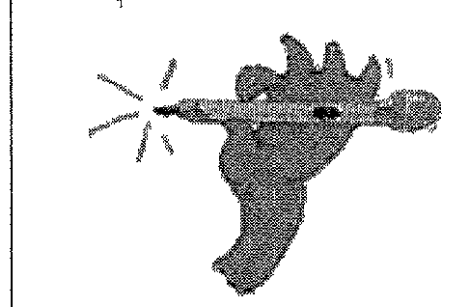
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GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

Shelby Township
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CHARLES SIMMONS HOOPER
Age 76, of Fenton formerly of Southfield, July 16, 2004 Services 11 AM Saturday, July 24 at White Chapel Cemetery Contributions to Avalon Hospice or VFW Post 2645 of Southfield. Assessor for the City of Southfield Veteran of the Korean War serving in the U.S. Army, and was a member of the VFW Post 2645 He married Lois Shirley on December 28, 1991 Surviving are wife, Lois 2 children, Walter of Minnesota, Linda Hendrickson of Taylor 5 stepchildren, Gerald Mohlman of Gwin, Timothy Mohlman of Waterford, Kathryn (Scott) Fetterman of Illinois, Cynthia (Mark) Lammie of Toledo, Jennifer (Greg) Boggs of Waterford, 13 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, sister, Laura (Robert) Snyder of Southfield, He was preceded in Death by his parents, Charles and Lula

FLORENCE J. WOOD
Age 76, died peacefully 7-12-04 Beloved wife of late Hugh J. Wood, Jr. Predeceased by sons Donald R. Wood, Arthur L. Wood Loving mother of Patricia (Charles), Robert (Dina) Dear sister of Joyce (husband-Alex), dear sister-in-law of Andrew C. Dearest mother-in-law of Christina. Proud grandmother of Paul, Branna, Jennifer, Ron, Don (Debra) Tammy (Larry) Great-grandchildren Jacob, Kelly Many Nieces & nephews She retired from the retail business after 30 years Service was held at Parkview Memorial Cemetery

JOSEPH A. TOMBRELLA
Age 45 July 19 2004 Beloved husband of Kimberly Loving and devoted Papa to Emelia Dearest son of Joseph and Mary, brother of Katrina Also leaves behind many Aunts, Uncles and Cousins Visitation on Thursday form 11:00 until 9:00 pm at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 31551 Ford Rd., Garden City In state on Friday, 9:30am at St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Blvd., Clarkston, until time of Funeral Mass at 10:00 am. Memorial contributions may be made to Emelia Tombrella's college fund Please share a memory with the family by signing Joe's guest book at www.rgrharris.com

VIRGINIA M. MUNOZ
Virginia M. Munoz of Livonia died July 21 She was 78 Mrs Munoz was born on October 17 1925 in Bridgeville PA to the late Antulia Commi and Natalina Bartoli She lived in the Livonia area for 35 years She spent her childhood in St. Charles, MI where she graduated from St. Charles High School Mrs Munoz loved cooking and baking, and she also loved to travel and drive She enjoyed being with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. During her retirement she kept active by being a nanny Survivors include her five children Carol (David) Townsend of Waterford, Paul Sciantarelli of VA, Dan Sciantarelli of CO, Patti (Jerry) Coleman of SC, and Mark (Dawn) Munoz of South Lyon, one brother Robert (Nancy) Commi of Canton, eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren A gathering for family and friends will be held Friday, July 23 from 5 pm until 7:30 pm with the memorial service at 7:30 pm at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. 122 West Dunlap, Northville with Father Terrance Kerner officiating Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater MI Chapter-Detroit Region, 17220 W 12 Mile Rd., Ste 100, Southfield, MI 48076 or to St. Jude Children's Hospital, Attn Memorial Dept 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105

DENNIS D. RUARK
Age 54, died suddenly on July 7 Survived by his beloved wife of 35 years, Nora, adoring children Tina, Dennis (Beverly), and darling granddaughter Allison He leaves two sisters, Donna Ruark, and Darlene O'Ruark, mother in law Lillian Corcoran, brothers in law, Gerald, Ted, and Leonard Corcoran, Stanley (Brenda) Radzikowski, Robert Radzikowski and sister in law Ann Marie Moore, as well as many nieces and nephews He was preceded in death by his loving parents Harlan and Viva Ruark (original owners of the Grandstone City Harbor Marina), and one brother, David Ruark He was a partisan for many years, most recently at Southgate Ford The funeral was held Monday July 12, at Vermeulen Trust 100 Funeral Home, Westland He was buried at New River Cemetery in Huron Township, Huron County MI In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the family memorial fund Log on to www.vermeulenfuneralhome.com to leave condolences

ROBERT JOHN GOEBEL
Age 82, passed away at his summer home in Douglas, Michigan on July 19, 2004 He was born October 5, 1921 He resided also in Birmingham, MI He was the office manager for Schoenly Interior, Inc. in Birmingham He was also a WW II Army Vet He was a member of the Detroit Institute of Arts Memorial donations can be contributed to the Humane Society on his behalf He is survived by life partner Oliver T. Weidokal Cremation took place July 19 by Chappell Funeral Home in Fennville MI Online register book at chappellfuneralhome.com

HARRY KEENER
Age 57, July 5, 2004 of Detroit Loving father of the late John Beloved son of Alvia Dearest brother of Jackie, Lonnie, Linda, Gail, Keith, Larry, Debbie, and the late Ronnie and David Dearest uncle to many nieces and nephews Services were held Tuesday, July 20, at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home in Wayne Pastor Bob McDonald officiated Interment Knollwood Cemetery Canton

EDYTHE KOKUBO
Age 77, died Saturday July 17, 2004 at home in Royal Oak Ms Kokubo fought a courageous and short battle with terminal illness Family and many friends will miss our 'Tiger' with her great zest for life and many passions including her grandchildren, golfing, music, art and travel She was only recently retired (July 2004) from a long career in real estate Ms Kokubo is survived by her children Christina Kokubo, Jared Kokubo (Mary Hocking), John Kokubo (Jennifer Kokubo) Her grandchildren, Lara Kokubo and Lucas Kokubo and also her siblings, Kenneth Choy and Ester Nolan We all love her and miss her! Her wishes were that there be no funeral or memorial service She asked that those wishing to memorialize her make donations to the American Lung Association Arrangements by A.J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home 248 549-0500

JAMES JOSEPH JOVANELLY
Age 76, of Plymouth, died July 20, 2004 He was born February 15, 1928, in Hawk Run, Pennsylvania He was a resident of Plymouth since 1966 He served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict He was a member of St. Kenneth Catholic Church in Plymouth He was loved and admired by all who knew him He is survived by his children, Kathleen Wingert of Wisconsin, John Jovanelly of Plymouth, Bernadette (Paul) Colonna of Clarkston, and Rosemarie Buda of Plymouth, his grandchildren, Wendy, Angela, Maxon, and Micaela, one brother and three sisters Funeral from St. Kenneth Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth, Friday 11am Friends may visit at church beginning at 10:30am Visitation at Schrader-Howell Funeral Home, 280 S. Main, Plymouth, Thursday 2-9pm Rosary Thursday 7pm Memorials may be made to St. Kenneth Church

OBITUARY POLICY
The first five lines of an obituary are published at no cost All additional lines will be charged at \$4 per line You may place a picture of your loved one for an additional cost of only \$6 Symbolic emblems may be included at no cost (example American Flags, religious symbols etc)

The deadline for an obituary is 5pm Friday for Sunday's paper and 12 noon Wednesday for Thursday's paper Obituaries received after these deadlines will be published in the next available issue If you are including a photo, please e-mail the obituary and photo to oeobits@oehomecomm.net at least one-half hour prior to deadline

You may e-mail your obit to oeobits@oehomecomm.net or fax to Attn Obits, c/o Charlotte Wilson at 734-953-2232

For more information call Charolette Wilson 734-953 2070 or Liz Kesser, 734-953-2067 or toll free 1-866-818-7653 and ask for Char or Liz

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JULY 13, 2004

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday July 13 2004 at 46000 Summit Parkway Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7 08 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 Minghine Director Durack Director Santomauro Director Conklin, Director Faas

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the amended agenda with the removal of agenda Item C 6 Amendment to the Future Land Use Map and Text of the Comprehensive Plan and place as Item G 1A Motion carried unanimously

Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Board Minutes of June 22 2004 Motion carried unanimously Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the Board Minutes of July 6 2004 Motion carried unanimously

Payment of Bills Motion by Kirchgatter supported by Zarbo to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried unanimously

Expenditure Recap for July 13, 2004

Table with 3 columns: Fund Name, Amount, Total. Includes General Fund, Fire Fund, Police Fund, etc. Total: 2,302,529.69

Board Member Reports' Trustee Zarbo presented the Board with an article on Restaurant Analysis of the larger chains

PUBLIC HEARING Item 1 PUBLIC HEARING: CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE REQUEST OF WINGS TWELVE, 41980 FORD ROAD (FORMER COOKER'S RESTAURANT) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to open the Public Hearing for the request of Wings Twelve, Inc for approval of a Class C Liquor License Outdoor Service Permit Sunday Sales Permit and Entertainment Permit for 41980 Ford Road Canton Michigan Motion carried unanimously

CONSENT CALENDAR Item 1. REAPPOINTMENT OF DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to reappoint Mark Waldbauer to the Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors for a term of four (4) years to expire May 12 2008 Motion carried unanimously

Item 2 APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT STATUS FOR THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE BAPS CULTURAL COMPLEX Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the special community event status for BAPS Detroit opening ceremony of the Cultural Complex to be held on July 18th through July 20 2004 Approval is contingent upon the facility receiving a Certificate of Occupancy Motion carried unanimously

Item 3 SET THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR A CLASS C LIQUOR LICENSE REQUEST FROM RT DETROIT FRANCHISE, LLC (d/b/a Ruby Tuesday) Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to set the public hearing date for August 24 2004 with a public notice publication date of August 12 2004 in the Canton Observer for RT Detroit Franchise LLC for a Class C Liquor License and Sunday Sales to be located in the Premiere Center, on the north side of Michigan Avenue and the west side of Canton Center Road Canton Wayne County Michigan Motion carried unanimously

Item 4 SECOND READING TO THE AMENDMENT TO THE ORDINANCE CHAPTER 46, SECTION 533, FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A MINOR Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to amend the Ordinance Chapter 46 Section 533 Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor with publication and effective date on July 22 2004 Motion carried unanimously

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON AMENDMENT TO FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A MINOR ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 46 FURNISHING ALCOHOL TO A MINOR ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS OF ALCOHOL SALE TO MINORS PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ORDAINS: SECTION 1 AMENDMENT TO THE CODE Chapter 46 Section 533 is hereby amended to read as follows: C. SALE, FURNISHING TO PERSONS UNDER TWENTY-ONE. 1 It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly sell or furnish alcoholic liquor to a person who is less than twenty one (21) years of age or to fail to make diligent inquiry as to whether the person is less than twenty-one (21) years of age. A person found to be in violation of this Section except as specified in subsection 2, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both, in the discretion of the court. 2. If a violation of this subsection is the result of an undercover operation in which the minor received alcoholic liquor under the direction of the State Police, the Commission, or a local police agency as part of an enforcement action, the retail licensee's clerk, agent, or employee is responsible for a Civil Infraction and may be ordered to pay a fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars. 3 In an action for a violation of this Section proof that the defendant or the defendant's agent or employee demanded and was shown before furnishing alcoholic liquor to a person under twenty one (21) years of age, a motor vehicle operator's license or a registration certificate issued by the federal selective service or other bona fide documentary evidence of the age and identity of that person shall be a defense

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any clause sentence section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm corporation legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not been included in this Ordinance. SECTION 3. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. All Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect

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

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 13th day of July, 2004, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law

TERRY BENNETT Clerk

Introduced June 22 2004 Adopted July 13 2004, Published July 22 2004 Effective July 22 2004

Item 5. BUDGET AMENDMENT - GENERAL FUND - CLERK'S DEPARTMENT Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the transfer of \$20 000 from the General Fund to Contracted Services account no 101 215 818 0000 to provide sufficient funds for maintaining the Canton Township Code of Ordinances for efficiency and continued enforcement Motion carried unanimously GENERAL FUND, Increased Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance 101 000 699 0000 \$20 000 Increase Appropriations Transfer to Contracted Services 101 215 818 0000 \$20,000 This budget amendment increases the General Fund budget from \$24 930 914 to \$24,950 914

GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. FINAL PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR ANTIQUE FOREST SUBDIVISION #2 Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the final preliminary plat for Antique Forest Subdivision #2 Motion carried unanimously

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

Final Preliminary Plat for Antique Forest Subdivision #2

WHEREAS the Project Sponsor Mr Bryan Amann has requested final approval of the preliminary plat for Antique Forest Subdivision #2 to be located on the south side of Ford Road between Beck and Ridge Roads identified as Tax EDP # 065 99 0031 000 and

WHEREAS the Planning and Engineering Officials have reviewed the Final Preliminary Plat and made a recommendation to APPROVE the final preliminary plat 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 approve the request of the project sponsor, Mr Bryan Amann, to grant final approval of the preliminary plat for Antique Forest Subdivision #2, based upon recommendations made by staff and the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof

Item 1A. AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP AND TEXT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin, to ACCEPT the Planning Commission's decisions to amend the Future Land Use map and text of the Comprehensive Plan as described above and shown on the accompanying maps and attachments Motion carried unanimously The following amendments to the Comprehensive Plan were approved by the Planning Commission on June 21 2004 1 Balberman (West Town Lane Associates) Request No 1 (003 MLP 001) The request amends the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan for 136 4 acres from its current Agricultural designation to Low Density Residential (up to 2 dwelling units/acre) The request is consistent with the future land use designation for the Hamlet property to the north This area is generally semi rural in nature with residential uses situated on larger lots fronting onto the primary road 2 Balberman (West Town Lane Associates) Request No 2 (003 MLP 002) The request amends the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan for 54 8 acres from its current Very Low Density residential designation (up to 1 dwelling unit/acre) to Low Density Residential (up to 2 dwelling units/acre) The property is located north of Geddes Road and west of Denton Road

3 Lewiston Request (003 MLP 005) The request amends the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan for approximately 172 acres from its current designations of Cherry Hill Village, Agricultural and Very Low Density Residential to Low Density Residential (up to 2 dwelling units/acre) The property is located on the south side of Ford Road between Napier and Ridge Roads 4 Bloch Request (004 MLP 001) The request amends the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan for 4 78 acres located on the east side of Lilley Roads between Warren and Joy Roads from its current designation of Light Industrial to Medium High Density Residential (up to 8 dwelling units/acre) This change would allow consideration of R 6 zoning in this area The property is located on the east side of Lilley Road between Warren and Joy Roads

5 Laird/Shaffer Request (004 MLP 005) The request is to amend the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan for 23 acres located north of Ford Road and west of Lilley Road from its current designation of Medium Density Residential and Community Shopping to High Density Residential (up to 12 dwelling units/acre) The Planning Commission rejected the amendment from Medium Density Residential to High Density Residential on the north part of the subject property and approved an amendment to Medium Density Residential (up to 8 dwelling units/acre) on the portion of the request designated for Community Shopping The Ford Road frontage will remain Community Shopping 6 Comprehensive Plan Text Amendments (004 MLP 600) The Planning Commission approved amendments to the text of the Plan which added an objective and policies referencing the Leisure Services Master Plan for development of recreational facilities and coordination with the Leisure Services Department relative to development and redevelopment activity added development objectives for the southwest area of the community relative to public park land and open space, common thematic elements gateway features housing elements and cooperative planning among individual entities and amended policies relative to public infrastructure

Item 2 CONSIDER AWARDED THE CONTRACT TO SUNSET EXCAVATING INC FOR THE PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG SALTZ ROAD FROM CANTON CENTER ROAD TO RIDGE ROAD Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to award the construction of Saltz Road (Canton Center to Ridge) Paving and Drainage Improvements to Sunset Excavating Inc in the amount of \$2 203 556 26 including a 10% contingency in the amount of \$220,356 for a total not to exceed amount of \$2 423 912 26 and to authorize the Clerk to execute the contract documents Motion carried unanimously Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to create purchase orders for Michael L Priest & Associates and Northwest Consultants Inc for construction observation and staking These items costs will be deducted from the overall construction cost awarded to Sunset Excavating Incorporated as part of their bid quantities Motion carried unanimously Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the 2004 budget for the Capital Projects Road Paving Special Assessment Fund #803 as follows Revenues \$2 454 000 Appropriations \$2 454 000 This establishes the 2004 budget for Capital Projects Road Paving/Special Assessment Fund #803 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT CAPITAL PROJECT FUND Saltz Road Paving Canton Center to Ridge Project

Table with 3 columns: Item, Description, Amount. Includes REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, NET REVENUES & EXPENDITURES

Item 3. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE PURCHASE ORDER TO MARTIN CONTROL SERVICE FOR SANITARY SEWER METERING. Motion by Bennett supported by Burdziak to increase the current purchase order (No 45300) by \$12 718 00 (account no 592 441 935 000) for Martin Controls Services to provide sanitary sewer metering Motion carried unanimously

Item 4. CONSIDER INCREASING PURCHASE ORDER 45825 TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DESIGN FOR THE 2004 WATER & SEWER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to increase Purchase Order #45825 by an amount of \$17 000 (592 441 803 0000) to a not to exceed amount of \$267,000 for Michael L Priest & Associates to perform design construction staking contract administration inspection and as built drawings for the Ridge Road Water Main Extension from Dominion to Ford Road Inspection will be performed at a rate of \$400/day and the amount of days will be determined at the time of bid Motion carried unanimously

Item 5. CREATE AND FILL A PART-TIME POSITION FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNER Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to authorize the creation and filling of a part time Emergency Management Planner position and to pay this position at Level Five of the Program/Facility Staff grade of the Part-Time Seasonal Temporary Positions Wage Scale (\$20 00 to \$23 00 per hour)(account # 101 426 705 0000) Motion carried unanimously

Item 6. AWARDED RESOLUTION - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2004 \$4,100,000 Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to award the sale of the Township's \$4 100 000 Special Assessment Bonds Series 2004 to Harris Trust and Savings Bank, and authorize the Clerk to sign the Awarding Resolution Motion carried unanimously

MEETING NOTICE TOWNSHIP BOARD, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan to be held on July 13, 2004 at 7 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Time at 46000 Summit Parkway Canton, Michigan

the Township Board will consider a resolution awarding the sale of the Township's \$4 100 000 Special Assessment Bonds Series 2004 which Bonds pledge the Township's limited tax full faith and credit

This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 308 Act 34 Public Acts of Michigan 2001 as amended

Publish July 1 2004

TERRY G BENNETT Township Clerk

AWARDING RESOLUTION Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne State of Michigan Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, Michigan (the "Issuer"), held on the 13th day of July, 2004, at 7 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Savings Time PRESENT Bennett Burdziak Kirchgatter McLaughlin, Shefferly Yack Zarbo The following preamble and resolution were offered by Bennett and supported by Kirchgatter

WHEREAS July 13 2004 at 2 00 o'clock a m Eastern Daylight Savings Time has been set as the date and time for opening bids for the purchase of the Issuer's Special Assessment Bonds Series 2004 (Limited Tax General Obligation)

WHEREAS said bids have been publicly opened and read and

WHEREAS, the bids attached hereto as Exhibit A have been received and

WHEREAS it is appropriate for the Township Board to award the sale of the Bonds to the bidder whose bid meets the requirements of law and which has been determined to produce the lowest interest cost to the Issuer, and

WHEREAS it is necessary to confirm the bond authorizing resolution adopted June 22 2004 (the "Bond Resolution")

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS 1 Award The bid of Harris Trust and Savings Bank as attached hereto as part of Exhibit A is determined to produce the lowest interest cost to the Issuer and the bid is hereby approved and accepted 2 Return of Good Faith Checks Checks received from the unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to each bidder's representative or by registered mail or overnight courier as set forth in the Official Notice of Sale as published 3 Bond Details The Bonds shall be dated, shall be in the principal amounts, and shall mature, bear interest be subject to redemption and otherwise conform in all respects to the terms set forth in the Official Notice of Sale with respect to the Bonds as published 4 Tax Covenant The Issuer hereby covenants that, to the extent permitted by law it shall take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest on the Bonds from adjusted gross income for general federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended (the "Code"), including but not limited to actions relating to the rebate of arbitrage earnings if applicable and the expenditure and investment of Bond proceeds and moneys deemed to be Bond proceeds 5 Confirmation of Bond Resolution The Issuer hereby confirms and ratifies the Bond Resolution 6 Repealer All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded AYES Bennett Burdziak Kirchgatter McLaughlin Shefferly Yack Zarbo

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED Township Clerk I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne State of Michigan at a regular meeting held on July 13 2004 and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act being Act 267 Public Acts of Michigan 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act Township Clerk

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE

\$4 100 000 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, COUNTY OF WAYNE STATE OF MICHIGAN SPECIAL ASSESSMENT BONDS, SERIES 2004 (LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION)

SEALED BIDS for the purchase of the above bonds will be received by the undersigned at the office of the Township Clerk located at 1150 South Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 on Tuesday the 13th day of July 2004 until 2 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Time, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read Bids will also be received simultaneously and publicly opened and read at the offices of Bendzanski & Co Municipal Finance Advisors 607 Shelby Suite 600 Detroit MI 48226 The Township Board will meet no later than 7 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Time on that date to consider the award of such bids

FAXED BIDS Faxed bids may be submitted to the Issuer's Financial Advisor Bendzanski & Company at (313) 961 8222 Provided however that faxed bids must arrive before the time of sale the bidder bears all risks of transmission failure and the GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT MUST BE MADE AND RECEIVED as described in the section entitled "GOOD FAITH" below

ELECTRONIC BIDS Electronic bids will also be received on the same date and until the same time by Bidcomp/Parity as agent of the undersigned Further information about Bidcomp/Parity, including any fee charged may be obtained from Bidcomp/Parity, Anthony Leydon or CLIENT SERVICES 40 West 23rd Street New York, New York 10010 (212) 404 8102 NO ELECTRONIC BID WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THE BIDDER HAS SUBMITTED A FINANCIAL SURETY BOND OR A CERTIFIED OR CASHIERS CHECK IN THE AMOUNT DESCRIBED IN THE SECTION ENTITLED "GOOD FAITH BELOW IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONFLICT WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BIDCOMP/PARTY AS THE APPROVED PROVIDER OF ELECTRONIC BIDDING SERVICES THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONTROL Bidders may choose any means or location to present bids but a bidder may not present a bid in more than one location or by more than one means

BOND DETAILS Bonds of this issue will be registered bonds of the denomination of \$5 000 or multiples thereof not exceeding for each maturity the aggregate principal amount of such maturity dated August 1 2004, numbered in order of registration and will bear interest from their date payable on April 1, 2005 and semiannually thereafter The bonds will mature on the 1st day of April of the years and in the principal amounts as follows

Table with 3 columns: Amount, Maturity Date. Includes \$400,000 (2006 through 2013, inclusive), 375,000 (2014 and 2015), 50,000 (2016 2017 and 2018)

INTEREST RATE AND BIDDING DETAILS. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate or rates not exceeding 6% per annum to be fixed by the bids therefor expressed in multiples of 1/8 or 1/20 of 1% or both. The interest on any one bond shall be at one rate only and all bonds maturing in any one year must carry the same interest rate. The difference between the highest and lowest interest rate on the bonds shall not exceed two percent (2%) per annum. No proposal for the purchase of less than all of the bonds or at a price less than 100% of their par value will be considered

PRIOR REDEMPTION OF BONDS Bonds of this issue maturing in the years 2006 to 2013, inclusive shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity Bonds or portions of bonds in multiples of \$5 000 of this issue maturing in the years 2014 to 2018 inclusive shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the Township in such order as the Township may determine and by lot within any maturity on any interest payment date on or after April 1 2013 at par and accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. In case less than the full amount of an outstanding bond is called for redemption, the transfer agent upon presentation to it of the bond called for redemption shall register authentic and deliver to the registered owner of record a new bond in the principal amount of the portion of the original bond not called for redemption Notice of redemption shall be given to the registered owners of bonds or portions thereof called for redemption by mailing of such notice not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered addresses of the registered owners of record Bonds shall be called for redemption in multiples of \$5 000 and bonds of denominations of more than \$5 000 shall be treated as representing the number of bonds obtained by dividing the denomination of the bond by \$5,000 and such bonds may be redeemed in part Bonds so called for redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption whether presented for redemption or not, provided funds are on hand with the transfer agent to redeem said bonds

BOOK ENTRY ONLY The bonds will be issued in book entry only form as one fully registered bond per maturity and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co as bondholder and nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") New York New York DTC will act as securities depository for the bonds Purchase of the bonds will be made in book entry only form in the denomination of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof Purchasers will not receive a certificate representing their interest in bonds purchased. It will be the responsibility of the purchaser to obtain DTC eligibility. Failure of the purchaser to obtain DTC eligibility shall not constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the bonds. The book entry only system is described further in the Preliminary Official Statement for the bonds

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JULY 13, 2004

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRATION Principal shall be payable at J P Morgan Trust Company National Association, Detroit, Michigan or such other transfer agent as the Township may hereafter designate by notice mailed to the registered owner not less than 60 days prior to any interest payment date. Interest shall be paid by check or draft mailed to the person or entity who or which is the registered owner of record as shown by the registration books of the Township as of the 15th day of the month preceding any interest payment date. The bonds will be transferable only upon the registration books of the Township kept by the transfer agent.

PURPOSE AND SECURITY The bonds are issued in anticipation of the collection of future due installments of special assessments for paving and drainage improvements in a certain Special Assessment Districts in the Township, as set forth in the bond-authorizing resolution. The special assessments and interest and investment income thereon shall be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds when due. The liability of each Special Assessment District is limited as set forth in the bond authorizing resolution. The bonds will pledge the limited tax full faith and credit of the Township as additional security for payment of principal and interest. Pursuant to such pledge, should special assessment collections be insufficient, the Township shall be obligated to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds as a first budget obligation from its general funds, including the collection of any ad valorem taxes which the Township is authorized to levy but any such levy shall be subject to applicable constitutional, statutory and charter tax rate limitations. The rights or remedies of bondholders may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally, now existing or hereafter enacted, and by the application of general principles of equity including those relating to equitable subordination.

AWARD OF BONDS TRUE INTEREST COST The bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid produces the lowest true interest cost computed by determined in the following manner: the lowest true interest cost will be the single interest rate (compounded on April 1, 2005 and semi annually thereafter) necessary to discount the debt service payment s from their respective payment dates to August 1, 2004 in an amount equal to the bid price excluding accrued interest.

LEGAL OPINION Bids shall be conditioned upon the approving opinion of Miller Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., attorneys of Detroit Michigan, copies of which opinion will be furnished without expense to the purchaser of the bonds at the delivery thereof. The fees of Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C. for services rendered in connection with such approving opinion are expected to be paid from bond proceeds. Except to the extent necessary to issue its approving opinion as to validity of the above bonds, Miller Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. has not been requested to examine or review and has not examined or reviewed any financial documents, statements or materials that have been or may be furnished in connection with the authorization issuance or marketing of the bonds, and accordingly will not express any opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of any such financial documents, statements or materials.

TAX MATTERS In the opinion of Bond Counsel assuming compliance with certain covenants, interest on the bonds, is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, as described in the opinion and the bonds and interest thereon are exempt from all taxation in the State of Michigan except inheritance and estate taxes and taxes on gains realized from the sale, payment or other disposition thereof.

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE The successful bidder will be required to furnish prior to the delivery of the bonds a certificate in a form acceptable to Bond Counsel as to the "issue price" of the bonds within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended.

GOOD FAITH A certified or cashiers check drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company or a Financial Surety Bond in the amount of \$41,000 payable to the order of the Treasurer of the Township is required for each bid as a guaranty of good faith on the part of the bidder to be forfeited as a portion of the Township's damages if such bid is accepted and the bidder fails to take up and pay for the bonds. If a check is used, it must accompany each bid. If a Financial Surety Bond is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Michigan and such bond must be submitted to the Township's financial advisor prior to the opening of the bids. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each bidder whose good faith deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. If the bonds are awarded to a bidder utilizing a Financial Surety Bond then that purchaser (the "Purchaser") is required to submit its good faith deposit to the Township or its financial advisor in the form of a cashiers check (or wire transfer such amount as instructed by the Township or its financial advisor) not later than Noon, Eastern Daylight Time, on the next business day following the award. If such good faith deposit is not received by that time, the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn upon by the Township to satisfy the good faith deposit requirement. The good faith deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the bonds. In the event the Purchaser fails to honor its accepted bid, the good faith deposit will be retained by the Township as a portion of the Township's damages for such failure. No interest shall be allowed on the good faith check and checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to each bidder's representative or by overnight mail. The good faith check of the successful bidder will be cashed and payment for the balance of the purchase price of the bonds shall be made at the closing.

QUALIFIED TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS The bonds will not be private activity bonds. The bonds will be designated as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest expense by financial institutions.

BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASERS OPTION If the bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefor at the option of the bidder/purchaser, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the purchaser of the bonds. Any increased costs of issuance of the bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the purchaser, except that if the Township has requested and received a rating on the bonds from a rating agency the Township will pay the fee for the requested rating. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the purchaser. FAILURE OF THE MUNICIPAL BOND INSURER TO ISSUE THE POLICY AFTER THE BONDS HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO THE PURCHASER SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE CAUSE FOR FAILURE OR REFUSAL BY THE PURCHASER TO ACCEPT DELIVERY OF THE BONDS FROM THE TOWNSHIP.

DELIVERY OF BONDS The Township will furnish bonds ready for execution at its expense. Bonds will be delivered without expense to the purchaser at DTC, New York, New York. The usual closing documents including a certificate that no litigation is pending affecting the issuance of the bonds, will be delivered at the time of the delivery of the bonds. If the bonds are not tendered for delivery by Noon, Eastern Daylight Time, on the 45th day following the date of sale, or the first business day thereafter if said 45th day is not a business day the successful bidder may on that day, or any time thereafter until delivery of the bonds, withdraw its proposal by serving notice of cancellation, in writing, on the undersigned in which event the Township shall promptly return the good faith deposit. Payment for the bonds shall be made in immediately available funds. Accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds shall be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT A preliminary official statement that the Township deems to be final as of its date, except for the omission of information permitted to be omitted by Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, has been prepared and may be obtained from Bendzinski & Co., financial consultant to the Township, at the address listed under SEALED BIDS above (telephone (313) 961-8222). The Township will furnish, upon request of the successful bidder, a reasonable number of copies of the final Official Statement relating to the above described issue within seven days from the date of sale specified above, in sufficient amounts to permit the successful bidder to comply with Rule 15c2 12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. The first 100 copies will be delivered at the expense of the Township. Additional copies will be supplied upon the bidder's agreement to pay the reasonable copying charges of the Township for those copies. Any such request for additional copies should be made to Bendzinski & Co. within 24 hours of the date and time of the sale, and should set forth the number of copies requested and the person and place to whom the final Official Statements should be delivered.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE The Township has agreed in the contract hereinafter referred to provide or cause to be provided, in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2 12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission, (i) on or prior to the last day of the sixth month after the end of the fiscal year of the Township, commencing with the fiscal year of the Township ending December 31, 2004 certain annual financial information and operating data including audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year, (or if audited financial statements are not available, unaudited financial statements) generally consistent with the information contained or cross referenced in the Official Statement relating to the bonds, (ii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect

to the bonds and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Township to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in (i) above.

CUSIP NUMBERS It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on said bonds but neither the failure to print such numbers on any bonds nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for said bonds. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on said bonds shall be paid for by the Township, provided, however, that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of said numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchaser.

FINANCIAL CONSULTANT Further information concerning the bonds may be secured from Bendzinski & Co., Municipal Finance Advisors 607 Shelby, Suite 600, Detroit Michigan 48226 (telephone 313 961 8222 Fax 313 961 8220), financial consultant to the Township.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS ENVELOPES containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Special Assessment Bonds" Terry G Bennett Clerk Charter Township of Canton.

Item 7. AWARDING RESOLUTION - LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2004 \$2,500,000 - FIRE STATION Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to award the sale of the Township's \$2,500,000 Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2004 to Harris Trust and Savings Bank, and authorize the Clerk to sign the Awarding Resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

MEETING NOTICE TOWNSHIP BOARD, CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

At the regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan to be held on July 13 2004 at 7 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Time, at 46000 Summit Parkway Canton, Michigan the Township Board will consider a resolution awarding the sale of the Township's \$2,500 000 Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Series 2004 which Bonds pledge the Township's limited tax full faith and credit. This notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 308 Act 34, Public Acts of Michigan 2001, as amended.

Publish July 1 2004

TERRY G BENNETT Township Clerk

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE \$2 500 000 CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SERIES 2004

BIDS Bidders may submit bids for the purchase of the above bonds as follows:

SEALED BIDS will be received by the undersigned at the offices of the Township Clerk located at 1150 South Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 on Tuesday, the 13th day of July 2004 until 2 00 p m Eastern Daylight Time at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read. Bids will also be received at the same time and date at the offices of Bendzinski & Co., Municipal Finance Advisors, 607 Shelby Suite 600 Detroit, Michigan 48226.

FAXED BIDS Signed bids may be submitted by fax to the offices of Bendzinski & Co. at (313) 961 8222 provided that faxed bids must arrive before the time of sale the bidder bears all risks of transmission failure and the GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT MUST BE MADE AND RECEIVED as described in the section entitled "GOOD FAITH" below. ELECTRONIC BIDS Electronic bids will also be received on the same date and until the same time by Bidcomp/Party as agent of the undersigned. Further information about Bidcomp/Party, including any fee charged, may be obtained from Bidcomp/Party Anthony Leyden or CLIENT SERVICES 40 West 23rd Street, New York New York 10010 (212) 404 8102. NO ELECTRONIC BID WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS THE BIDDER HAS SUBMITTED A FINANCIAL SURETY BOND OR A CERTIFIED OR CASHIERS CHECK IN THE AMOUNT DESCRIBED IN THE SECTION ENTITLED "GOOD FAITH" BELOW IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONFLICT WITH INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BIDCOMP/PARTY AS THE APPROVED PROVIDER OF ELECTRONIC BIDDING SERVICES THIS NOTICE OF SALE SHALL CONTROL. Bidders may choose any means or location to present bids but a bidder may not present a bid in more than one location or by more than one means.

BOND DETAILS The bonds will be registered bonds of the denomination of \$5,000 or multiples thereof not exceeding for each maturity the maximum principal amount of that maturity originally dated as August 1 2004 numbered in order of registration and will bear interest from their date payable on April 1 2005 and semiannually thereafter. The bonds will mature on the 1st day of October in each of the years as follows:

Year	Amount
2005	\$150,000
2006, 2007, and 2008	200,000
2009 and 2010	250,000
2011 and 2012	300,000
2013 and 2014	325,000

INTEREST RATE AND BIDDING DETAILS The bonds shall bear interest at rate or rates not exceeding 6% per annum, to be fixed by the bids therefor, expressed in multiples of 1/8 or 1/20 of 1%, or both. The interest on any one bond shall be at one rate only and all bonds maturing in any one year must carry the same interest rate. No proposal for the purchase of less than all of the bonds or at a price less than 99% of their par value will be considered. By submitting a bid the bidder consents to the representation of the Township by Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C. as bond counsel for the bonds.

PRIOR REDEMPTION OF BONDS Bonds of this issue shall not be subject to redemption prior to maturity.

BOOK ENTRY ONLY The bonds will be issued in book entry only form as one fully registered bond per maturity and will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as bondholder and nominee for The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York New York. DTC will act as securities depository for the bonds. Purchase of the bonds will be made in book entry only form, in the denomination of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof. Purchasers will not receive certificates representing their interest in bonds purchased. It will be the responsibility of the purchaser to obtain DTC eligibility. Failure of the purchaser to obtain DTC eligibility shall not constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of and pay for the bonds. The book entry only system is further described in the preliminary Official Statement for the bond.

TRANSFER AGENT AND REGISTRATION Principal shall be payable at the principal corporate trust office of J P Morgan Trust Company National Association, Detroit, Michigan or such other transfer agent as the Township may hereafter designate by notice mailed to the registered owner of record not less than 60 days prior to an interest payment date. Interest shall be paid by check or draft mailed to the registered owner of record as shown on the registration books of the Township as of the 15th day of the month prior to any interest payment date. The bonds will be transferred only upon the registration books of the Township kept by the transfer agent.

PURPOSE AND SECURITY The bonds are authorized for the purpose of paying all or part of the cost of certain capital improvements together with all necessary appurtenances and attachments therefor in the Township. The bonds will be a first budget obligation of the Township, payable as a first budget obligation from the general funds of the Township including the collection of ad valorem taxes on all taxable property in the Township subject to applicable constitutional, statutory and charter tax rate limitations. The rights or remedies of bondholders may be affected by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally, now existing or hereafter enacted, and by the application of general principles of equity including those relating to equitable subordination.

GOOD FAITH A certified or cashiers check drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company or a Financial Surety Bond in the amount of \$25,000, and payable to the order of the Treasurer of the Township is required for each bid as a guaranty of good faith on the part of the bidder, to be forfeited as a portion of the Township's damages if such bid is accepted and the bidder fails to take up and pay for the bonds. If a check is used, it must accompany each bid. If a Financial Surety Bond is used, it must be from an insurance company licensed to issue such a bond in the State of Michigan and such bond must be submitted to the Township's financial advisor at least one hour prior to the opening of the bids. The Financial Surety Bond must identify each bidder whose good faith deposit is guaranteed by such Financial Surety Bond. If the bonds are awarded to a bidder utilizing a Financial Surety Bond, then that purchaser (the "Purchaser") is required to submit its good faith deposit to the Township in the form of a cashiers check (or wire transfer such amount as instructed by the Township or its financial advisor) not later than Noon, Eastern Daylight Time, on the next business day following the award. If such good faith deposit is not received by that time, the Financial Surety Bond may be drawn upon by the Township to satisfy the good faith deposit requirement. The good faith deposit will be applied to the purchase price of the bonds. In the event the purchaser fails to honor its accepted bid, the good faith deposit will be retained by the Township. No interest shall be allowed on the good faith check and checks of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to each bidder's

representative or by overnight delivery. The good faith check of the successful bidder will be cashed and payment for the balance of the purchase price of the bonds shall be made at the closing.

AWARD OF BONDS TRUE INTEREST COST The bonds will be awarded to the bidder whose bid produces the lowest true interest cost determined in the following manner: the lowest true interest cost will be the single interest rate (compounded on October 1 2005 and semi annually thereafter) necessary to discount the debt service payments from their respective payment dates to August 1 2004 in an amount equal to the bid price, excluding accrued interest.

TAX MATTERS In the opinion of bond counsel, assuming compliance with certain covenants interest on the bonds is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes as described in the opinion, and the bonds and interest thereon are exempt from all taxation in the State of Michigan except inheritance and estate taxes and taxes on gains realized from the sale payment or other disposition thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish prior to the delivery of the bonds a certificate in a form acceptable to bond counsel as to the "issue price" of the bonds within the meaning of Section 1273 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

QUALIFIED TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS The Township has designated the bonds as "qualified tax exempt obligations" for purposes of deduction of interest expense by financial institutions.

LEGAL OPINION Bids shall be conditioned upon the approving opinion of Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., attorneys of Detroit Michigan, a copy of which opinion will be furnished without expense to the purchaser of the bonds at the delivery thereof. The fees of Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone P.L.C. for services rendered in connection with such approving opinion are expected to be paid from bond proceeds. Except to the extent necessary to issue its approving opinion as to validity of the above bonds Miller Canfield, Paddock and Stone P.L.C. has not been requested to examine or review and has not examined or reviewed any financial documents, statements or materials that have been or may be furnished in connection with the authorization, issuance or marketing of the bonds and accordingly will not express any opinion with respect to the accuracy or completeness of any such financial documents, statements or materials.

DELIVERY OF BONDS The Township will furnish bonds ready for execution at its expense. Bonds will be delivered without expense to the purchaser through DTC New York, New York. The usual closing documents including a certificate that no litigation is pending affecting the issuance of the bonds, will be delivered at the time of the delivery of the bonds. If the bonds are not tendered for delivery by Noon, Eastern Daylight Time on the 45th day following the date of sale or the first business day thereafter if said 45th day is not a business day the successful bidder may on that day, or any time thereafter until delivery of the bonds, withdraw its proposal by serving notice of cancellation, in writing, on the undersigned in which event the Township shall promptly return the good faith deposit. Payment for the bonds shall be made in immediately available funds. Accrued interest to the date of delivery of the bonds shall be paid by the purchaser at the time of delivery.

BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASERS OPTION If the bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefor at the option of the bidder/purchaser, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the purchaser of the bonds. Any increased costs of issuance of the bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the purchaser, except that, if the Township has requested and received a rating on the bonds from a rating agency the Township will pay the fee for the requested rating. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the purchaser. FAILURE OF THE MUNICIPAL BOND INSURER TO ISSUE THE POLICY AFTER THE BONDS HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO THE PURCHASER SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE CAUSE FOR FAILURE OR REFUSAL BY THE PURCHASER TO ACCEPT DELIVERY OF THE BONDS FROM THE TOWNSHIP.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT A copy of the Official Statement relating to the Bonds may be obtained by contacting Bendzinski & Co. Municipal Finance Advisors, 607 Shelby, Suite 600 Detroit Michigan 48226 telephone number 313 961 8222 fax 313 961 8220. The Official Statement is in a form deemed final by the Issuer for purposes of paragraph (b)(1) of SEC Rule 15c2 12 (the "Rule") but is subject to revision amendment and completion in a final Official Statement. After the award of the bonds the Issuer will provide on a timely basis 100 copies of the final Official Statement as that term is defined in paragraph (e)(3) of the rule at the expense of the Issuer (and such additional copies of the final Official Statement as reasonably requested by and at the expense of the successful bidder or bidders) to enable the successful bidder or bidders to comply with paragraph (b)(4) of the Rule and the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board. Requests for such additional copies of the final Official Statement shall be made to Bendzinski & Co. at the above address within 24 hours of the award of the bonds.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE As described in greater detail in the Official Statement the Township will agree in the resolution to provide or cause to be provided in accordance with the requirements of Rule 15c2 12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (i) on or prior to the first day of the sixth month following the end of the fiscal year of the Township commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30 2004 certain annual financial information and operating data including audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year (or if audited financial statements are not available unaudited financial statements) generally consistent with the information contained or cross referenced in the Official Statement relating to the Bonds (ii) timely notice of the occurrence of certain material events with respect to the Bonds and (iii) timely notice of a failure by the Township to provide the required annual financial information on or before the date specified in (i) above.

CUSIP NUMBERS It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the bonds but neither the failure to print such numbers on any bonds nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the purchaser thereof to accept delivery of and pay for the bonds. All expenses in relation to the printing of CUSIP numbers on the bonds shall be paid for by the Township provided however, that the CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of such numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchaser.

FINANCIAL CONSULTANT Further information relating to the bonds may be obtained from Bendzinski & Co. Municipal Finance Advisors 607 Shelby Suite 600, Detroit Michigan 48226 telephone number 313 961 8222 fax 313 961 8220.

THE RIGHT IS RESERVED TO REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS ENVELOPES containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds Series 2004" Terry G Bennett, Clerk Charter Township of Canton.

AWARDING RESOLUTION LIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne State of Michigan

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton County of Wayne Michigan (the "Issuer"), held on the 13th day of July 2004 at 7 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

PRESENT Bennett, Burdzak Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Shefferly Yack Zarbo. The following preamble and resolution were offered by Bennett and supported by Kirchgatter:

WHEREAS, July 13, 2004 at 2 00 o'clock p m Eastern Daylight Savings Time, has been set as the date and time for opening bids for the purchase of the Issuer's Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds Series 2004,

WHEREAS, said bids have been publicly opened and read and

WHEREAS, the bids attached hereto as Exhibit A have been received and

WHEREAS it is appropriate for the Township Board to award the sale of the Bonds to the bidder whose bid meets the requirements of law and which has been determined to produce the lowest interest cost to the Issuer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Award** The bid of Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as attached hereto as part of Exhibit A is determined to produce the lowest interest cost to the Issuer and the bid is hereby approved and accepted.

2 **Return of Good Faith Checks** Checks received from the unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to each bidder's representative or by registered mail or overnight courier as set forth in the Official Notice of Sale as published.

3 **Bond Details** The Bonds shall be dated shall be in the principal amounts and shall mature, bear interest be subject to redemption and otherwise conform in all respects to the terms set forth in the Official Notice of Sale with respect to the Bonds as published.

4 **Tax Covenant** The Issuer hereby covenants that, to the extent permitted by law it shall take all actions within its control necessary to maintain the exclusion of the interest on the Bonds from adjusted gross income for general federal income tax purposes under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), including but not limited to actions relating to the rebate of arbitrage earnings if applicable, and the expenditure and investment of Bond proceeds and moneys deemed to be Bond proceeds.

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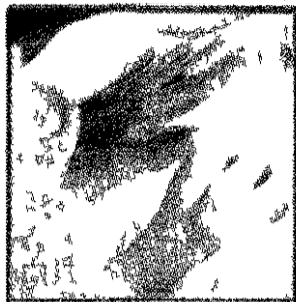
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Many members of the Rockwell family sit and wait on the decision of the judges. Mary Rockwell (left) and Isaac sit on the lap of Elizabeth Abowd-Rockwell, their mother. Mark Rockwell and his sister Sara talk while Sara Abowd, their grandmother, watches the judging with Philip Rockwell, another grandson. Kristen Rockwell sits at the end of the second row behind them. Mark, Sara, Philip, Kristen and Mary, with help from her sister Alice, all entered pies in the pie baking contest.

The pies that bind

Family turns contest into tradition

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

When the Rockwell family of Farmington Hills created five entries for the pie baking contest Thursday at the Farmington Founders Festival, they baked because they enjoy that activity together as a family.

Kristen, 14, won the junior division with her coconut caramel pecan pie. Five of her eight siblings entered four pies in the contest. Joining her in the junior division were Philip, 13, who baked a chocolate cream pie, and Alice, 10, and Mary, 8, who combined their efforts in a three-berry summer pie.

In the senior division, Sara, 20, baked an apple pie, and Mark, 18, created a chocolate brownie pie. The siblings have two more brothers: Paul, who attends Brother Rice, and Isaac, 4.

"It's really been more of a family summer tradition," said Elizabeth Abowd Rockwell, the children's mother. "I don't bake pies, but I bake. When they were little, I taught them how to cook. They experiment in the kitchen. They enjoy doing that."

Sara Abowd, Elizabeth's mother, also enjoys cooking, but she doesn't take credit for the pie-baking abilities of her grandchildren. "I like it, it's very nice," she said of the children entering the contest. "The oldest daughter was the first to enter it, she started out with it, and all the other kids got involved."

"They like to watch me cook." She enjoys baking Lebanese cookies.

The children's mother says even Isaac helps out. "They enjoy it, they enjoy cooking with my mom," Elizabeth said. "They enjoy desserts."

Kristen, a student at Marian High School in Birmingham, discussed her recipe as she clutched her first-place blue ribbon. "It was pretty easy to make," she said of her recipe, "but I didn't think I would win."

Sara, who along with Mark attends Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, enjoys what has turned into an annual family tradition.

"When I first started, I really like to cook," Sara said, crediting her mother with her culinary prowess. "I started doing pies and desserts." Her apple pie was adapted from a cookbook from Pittsburgh. "It looked good," she said.

"Creativity is really important," Mark said. "You have to put a twist on it. That helps a lot. You work at it and make it a step above everything else." For his creative edge, he added more chocolate chips to his pie.

Philip, who attends Our Lady of Sorrows, also used Jell-O chocolate pudding pie mix, created some homemade whipped cream and

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And the winner is Courtney Greyson, 20, who shows off her winning mud pie after being presented with a blue ribbon for best pie at the pie baking contest at the First United Methodist Church of Farmington last Thursday.

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Get a taste of some of the winning recipes on page D2.

Kristen Rockwell faced a dilemma when planning for the annual pie baking contest at the Farmington Founders Festival — she didn't know what to bake. She finally decided on a coconut caramel pecan pie.

Actually my aunt had made this pie before, and she said, "If anyone eats this they'll say 'Wow!'" Kristen said.

And apparently the judges said just that — wow. Rockwell, 14, a student at Marian High School in Birmingham, won the junior division (18 and under) Thursday in the contest in the lower level of the First United Methodist Church in

Farmington. Five of her eight siblings also entered pies for the contest. (See related story.)

In the senior (18 and older) division, Courtney Greyson of Farmington Hills took first place for her mud pie, while her mother, Barbara Greyson, placed second for her chocolate pecan pie. Grace Tocco's double cherry pie won third-place honors.

In the junior division, Meredy Brichford took second place for her raspberry rhubarb pie, while David Carter took third place for his frozen peanut butter pie.

Courtney Greyson's winning



Judge Glenn Schafer looks at a pie before taking a taste and judging the baked goodie at the pie baking contest in Farmington last week.

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as EASY as PIE

Bakers compete in Farmington contest



Contestants let their imaginations run wild in the contest.

The winning pie contained an Oreo crumb crust, with a dense layer of chocolate on the bottom and a mousse layer on top with eggs, whipping cream and chocolate. Courtney adapted a recipe from the Food Network's *Sweet Dreams*.

Her mother's pie contained — what else? — chocolate. "That was really good," her daughter said about her mother's pie. Courtney also credits her great aunt with her cooking prowess, whose desserts were delicious. "She always had them, and I just built on that," she said.

"The crust is key (to a good pie)," she said. "I'm a chocolate fanatic, but the crust has to be so good, that you just want to eat more."

In the junior division, Meredy Brichford of Farmington Hills entered the contest last year and thought it would be fun to enter again. Meredy's raspberry rhubarb pie was created from the revision of another recipe, she said. "It was originally an apple pie," Meredy said. "It was pretty good. We have raspberries and rhubarb growing in our back-

Side dish

Food and family

A recent survey revealed the majority of children, aged 10-17, would like to help more with cooking family meals. Whether the whole family pitches in or if it's one-on-one time for parent and child, getting kids in the kitchen is a great idea, says chef Dianna Stoffer.

Stoffer, a chef with Certified Angus Beef brand, offers ideas for parents and children.

Safety first — show children how to tuck their fingers under while they are slicing or chopping food and teach how to keep pot handles turned to the back of the stove.

Create pizza the first time with packaged dough as that is easier than from scratch.



Let the kids experiment when making hamburgers by letting them add seasonings, then making the patties. Use cookie cutters to create fun shapes for miniature pizzas and cheese for cheeseburgers.

Cut vegetables for kebabs into creative shapes. Or make favorite beef sandwiches into wraps.

For recipes or cooking tips, visit www.certifiedangusbeef.com.

Jared returns

The Subway restaurant chain has enlisted Jared, its weight-loss spokesman, for a new ad campaign that targets childhood obesity, according to the Associated Press.

Jared Fogle, who first appeared in Subway ads in 1999 touting his success shedding 245 pounds eating only all-vegetable and turkey Subway sandwiches, kicked off the chain's Fresh Step campaign in Washington DC last week.

"It really empowers kids to make them aware of decisions they may not even be aware of," Fogle said. "Kids feel like they have no control over their own lives, what they snack on, their choices at lunchtime. Are they going to sit and watch video all day or get out and ride a bike and be outside?"

About 30 percent of children ages 6 to 10 in the United States are overweight and more than 15 percent are obese, according to the National Center for Health Statistics. Two-thirds of American adults are classified as overweight or obese by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Fogle, who has toured the country talking to school children about healthy lifestyles, appears at the close of new TV ads with three children who have improved their diets and become more physically active. Fogle strikes the pose he made famous in previous ads, displaying his old extra-large pants.

The Milford, Conn.-based chain plans to spend up to \$35 million on national and local ads during the campaign. About 21,000 Subway restaurants operate in 75 countries.

Get to know wines from New Zealand's north island

If you've tasted only one wine from New Zealand, it was probably a sauvignon blanc. Cloudy Bay in the Marlborough region is the winery that made it famous.

New Zealand is essentially a two islands nation, located 1,000 miles southeast of Australia. From north to south New Zealand stretches about 720 miles, roughly the same distance as Seattle to San Diego. New Zealand's population is 4.2 million with about 15 sheep per person. With a population of slightly over one million, Auckland on the North Island is the largest city.

Auckland has a great mix of people, nationalities and ethnicities. The restaurant scene is diverse, offering everything from sushi bars to Thai, where



Focus on Wine

Ray and Eleanor Heald

the variety of New Zealand wine can be appreciated with great food.

New Zealand riesling, for example, is made dry with a fruit expression that matches well with Asian cuisine. Villa Maria Private Bin Riesling (\$14) is a good example.

Villa Maria Winery is located near the Auckland airport, so if you're visiting, it's not far to your first winery tour and tasting. Villa Maria winery is a brand new facility which will soon have a lodge as well

as a tasting room and restaurant. Villa Maria makes a broad selection of wines from several New Zealand growing regions and ranging from sauvignon blanc, chardonnay and riesling to pinot noir, merlot and cabernet sauvignon, all available in Michigan.

FURTHER SOUTH

As one drives south on the North Island, the wine regions are located on the east coast, bordering the Pacific Ocean. Hawkes Bay is a growing region named after, yes, Hawkes Bay, and near the art deco city of Napier, a good place to stay while in Hawkes Bay.

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WINE PICKS

Of all the wines we tasted in New Zealand, Villa Maria offers the broadest range of excellence.

■ 2003 Villa Maria Private Bin Sauvignon Blanc (\$14) is an attractive blend of the renowned Marlborough style with stylish melon fruit.

■ 2002 Villa Maria Private Bin Chardonnay (\$14) exemplifies typical New Zealand cool climate character with tempered fruit.

■ 2003 Villa Maria Private Bin Riesling (\$14) comes across dry and fruity. Outstanding with Asian cuisine or grilled fish.

■ 2002 Villa Maria Private Bin

Cabernet/Merlot (\$14) is a steal at this price.

■ 2002 Villa Maria Cellar Selection Sauvignon Blanc (\$21) ramps up the quality of the Private Bin, offering a more Sancerre-like wine with fuller palate and multiple fruit layers.

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All wines mentioned are available in the metro Detroit area. If a retailer does not stock a specific wine, ask that it be ordered from the distributor.

PIE

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yard, so we used those instead. "It's one of those 'impossible' pies. You bake it and the crust just sort of forms."

Carol Ahmed, who chaired the contest, said 24 pies were entered in the contest.

Judges were Steve Brock, city manager of Farmington Hills, Maria Gallup, of the Farmington Community Library, and Mark Ziegler, of the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home. They judged the junior competition.

Jeff Pavlik, owner of the Farmington Bakery, Marion Tobin, of Three Oaks Furniture, and Glenn Schaefer, Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, judged the senior division entries.

Pavlik said the pies were judged based on appearance, filling, crust and overall taste.

"I taste the filling first, crust separate and the last bite together," Pavlik said. "I try to figure out the crust, how flaky or dry it is, and that all depends on the type of pie."

Pavlik said the winning mud pie entry in the adult competition was really rich and very chocolatey.

"It just stood out," he said. "A good pie meets the mood of the party. That's the hard thing about this (contest). You have custard or berry pies at cook-outs in the summer, then for the holidays, you have chocolate and nut pies."

"What really makes a good pie is a pie that hits the spot." These winners apparently did.

Here is a tasting of some of the winning recipes

MUD PIE

Crust
3/4 cups finely ground chocolate sandwich cookies
9 tablespoons unsalted butter melted

Dense Chocolate Mousse
12 ounces semisweet chocolate
8 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted butter
5 large eggs separated
1/2 cup malt powder
2 1/2 tablespoons sugar

Light Chocolate Mousse
5 ounces semisweet chocolate
1 ounce unsweetened chocolate
1/4 cups heavy whipping cream
6 egg whites
1/4 cup sugar

Crust Combine all the ingredients in a bowl and toss until thoroughly combined.

Press the mixture into the bottom of a 10 inch deep dish pie plate (The original recipe called for a springform pan, but I found this easier to make using a 10-inch deep dish pie plate. If you do not have this large of a plate, then use a springform pan and just coat the bottom of the pan with the crumbs.)

Dense Mousse Melt the semisweet chocolate and the butter together in the top of a double boiler over medium-low heat. Let cool slightly, then whisk in the egg yolks. Whisk in the malt powder. Keep warm. In the bowl of a mixer, whip the egg whites until they form soft, droopy peaks. Still whipping, add the sugar in a thin stream and whip until the mixture is stiff and glossy. Fold into the chocolate mixture. Pour into the pie pan and smooth the top with a rubber spatula. Refrigerate.

Light Mousse Melt the choco-

lates together in the top half of a double boiler over medium-low heat. Let cool slightly. Meanwhile, in a mixer whip the cream until it forms soft peaks and chill. In a mixer, whip the egg whites until they form soft, droopy peaks. Still whipping add the sugar in a thin stream and whip until the mixture is thick and glossy. A third at a time, fold the egg whites into the chocolate mixture (You may need to whisk, not fold, the first third if the mixture is very thick). Fold the whipped cream into the mousse.

Pour over the dense mousse and smooth the top with a rubber spatula. Chill until set, at least three hours or up to one day.

Recipe courtesy of Courtney Greyson.

COCONUT CARAMEL PIE

1/2 cups of flour
1 stick of butter
1 cup of finely chopped pecans
8 ounces cream cheese
1 can of Eagle sweetened condensed milk
16 ounces Cool Whip
7 ounces coconut
1/2 stick butter
1 cup pecans

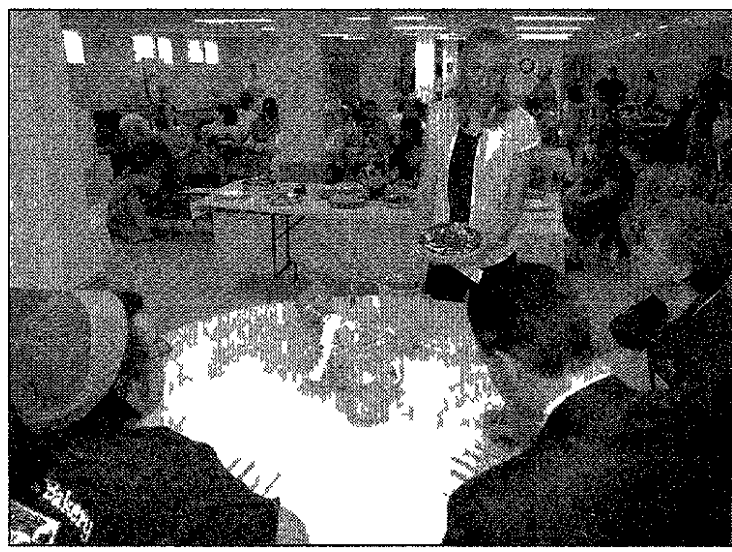
12 ounce jar of caramel sauce

Mash first three ingredients into two pie plates. Bake for 10 minutes or so, around 350° F, just until it gets tan.

Then in a large bowl, mix together cream cheese, condensed milk and Cool Whip. Put that into the tan pie crusts, then put 7 ounces of coconut, 1/2 stick butter and 1 cup of pecans on a cookie sheet and bake in oven for two to three minutes (You really have to watch and stir it a lot or the coconut will burn.) Put the coconut mix on top of the pies. Then pour a 12-ounce jar of caramel all over the pies.

Freeze them for a little while before you try to cut them.

Recipe used by Kristen Rockwell adapted from Sweet Potato Queens Book of Love By Jill Conner Browne



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Contest volunteer Carmen Weddell shows judges one of the entries in the pie baking contest. Judges Jeff Pavlik (left), Glenn Schaefer and Marion Tobin check the pie's appearance before tasting it.

RHUBARB RASPBERRY PIE

3/4 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter
2 eggs
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup Jiffy mix
Filling
3 cups rhubarb
3 cups raspberries
1/4 teaspoon brown cinnamon
Streusel topping
1 cup Jiffy mix
1/2 cup chopped nuts
1/2 cup packed brown sugar
3 tablespoons of firm butter

Mix first five ingredients and put in pie pan. Mix filling ingredients and place in pan. Mix together streusel topping and place on top of pie. Bake at 325° F for one hour.

Recipe courtesy of Meredy Brochford

FROZEN PEANUT BUTTER PIE

3/4 cup chunky peanut butter
1/2 cup milk
4 ounces softened cream cheese
1 cup confectioners sugar
1 (9 ounce) carton whipped topping



Mark Ziegler, a 14-year pie judging veteran, checks out a pie from the junior division presented to him by volunteer Bernie Shaw of Farmington, during the pie baking contest at the First United Methodist Church.

Graham cracker pie shell
Whip first four ingredients until well blended. Fold in whipped topping and place into pie shell. Freeze until firm.

Recipe courtesy of David Carter

ROCKWELL

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decorated his pie with a smiley face. "It was OK," he said of his creation. "I made two pies and we tried one. I cut it, and it fell apart. The presentation was kind of bad, but it tasted good." Philip said he wants to own a restaurant someday.

Alice told Mary, who also attend Our Lady of Sorrows, she would help her with Mary's three-berry pie consisting of blueberries, raspberries and strawberries. "It was a graham cracker crust with fresh graham crackers, sugar and butter, then we cooked it," Alice said. "Then we just put (the berries) in."

Mary likes berries. "Raspberries," she said when asked what her favorite is. Her mother said the girls used berries from her grandmother's house and their own yard.

The children's father, Tom, stood three rows back with a camera, where Kristen, Paul, Mark, Philip and Sara were seated during the judging. Alice, Mary and Isaac sat with their mother and grandmother in the front row, but the children intermingled between the two locations.

Tom enjoys watching the Food Network. Sara is a really good cook, as she cooks a lot, Rockwell said of his daughter. "All of them have different styles." All of the children love to roll grape leaves, a process they learned from sitti (grandmother), something Tom hasn't learned yet, he said.

Tom attributes the children's love of cooking to their appreciation of science. "They're all into science, and cooking is kind of a part of that," he said. "They get the ingredients and put it together."

"When its time for the Farmington Founders Festival, they just make a pie. They get all the ingredients and they just do it themselves."

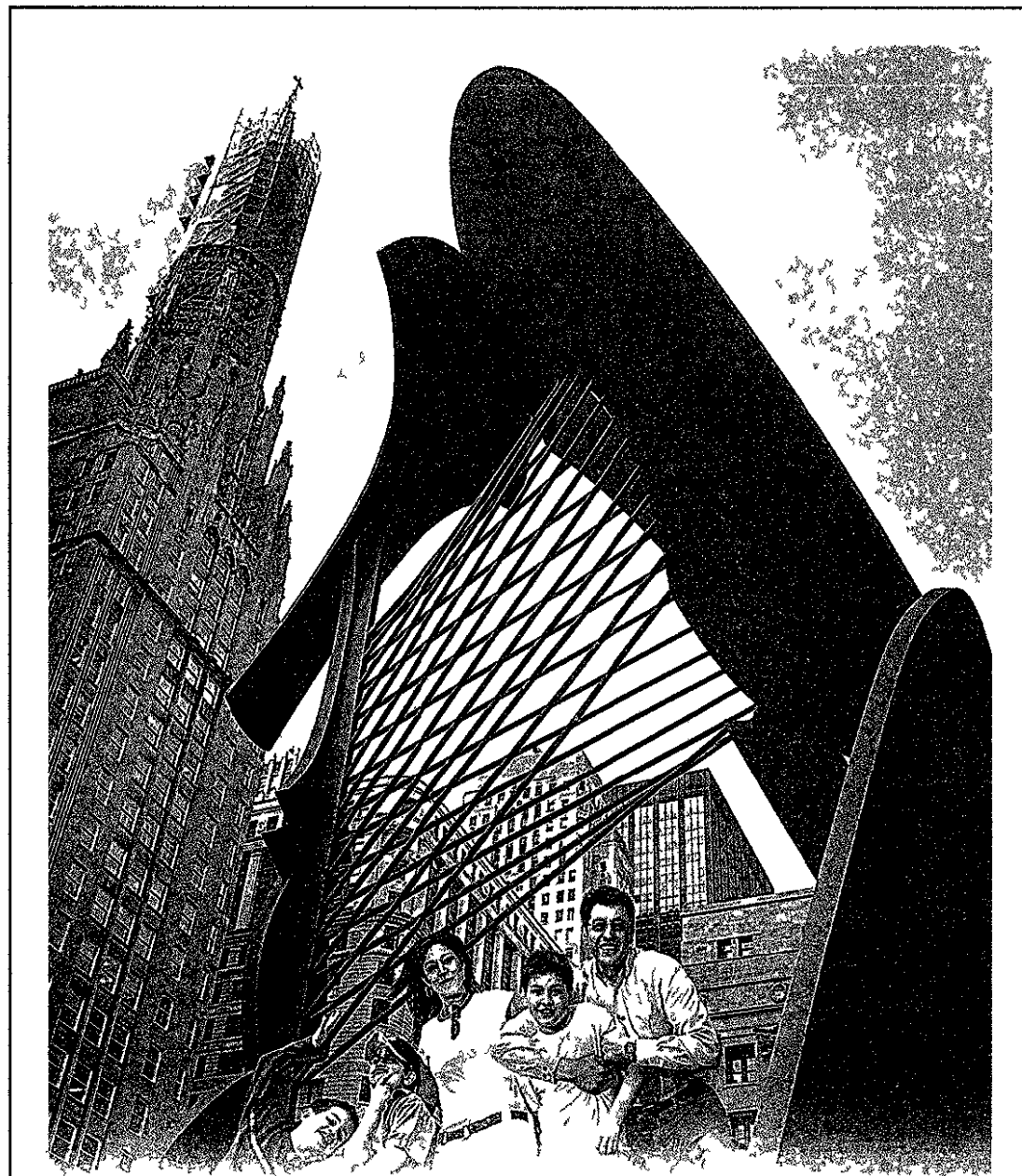
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Book signing
Gregory Zotos of Livonia will sign his new book, Gregory's Pita Pocket Full of Simple Greek Recipes, 4 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 21800 Marter in St. Clair Shores (phone: (586) 779-6111). The book signing will take place at the church's annual Greek Festival. A percentage of the book sales from the event will be donated to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church.

Wine tasting
Unique Restaurants will conduct a casual wine tasting the first Wednesday of each month, 6-8 p.m., alternating at a different Unique restaurant. At each tasting, guests can sample featured wines selected around a

specific theme, including regional best bets and the finest wines of 2004. URC's Master Sommelier Madeline Triffon will be on hand to describe the wines, answer questions, and guide guests through the more subtle aspects of wine tasting. The Wednesday Wine Bar costs \$35 per person and includes wine, hors d'oeuvres, and a variety of cheeses. URC rotates the event among four of its fine dining restaurants: Shiraz, Morels, No. VI Chop House & Lobster Bar, and Northern Lakes Seafood Company. The next Wednesday wine tasting features The Rest of the United States on Aug. 4 at Shiraz, 30100 Telegraph in Bingham Farms. Call (248) 645-5289.

Oven-roasted halibut with herb citrus vinaigrette is easily prepared

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Uncomplicated meals which food writer Marie Simmons can make effortlessly and share with her family at the end of the day are an essential part of her busy life, she says in the introduction to her new cookbook, *Fresh and Fast Inspired Cooking for Every Season and Every Day* (Houghton Mifflin, \$18 paperback). The "fresh and fast" theme of the book is also the theme of a syndicated newspaper column written by Simmons, who has won both James Beard Foundation and International Association of Culinary Professionals awards for her food writing, books and other columns. The 200 recipes in this collection are varied because, as Simmons explains, relying on fresh ingredients means your cooking changes with the seasons. Most of the recipes can be made in less than one hour, and even the longer ones, taking time to bring out the best in

ingredients, can be convenient because you can do other things while they cook, Simmons says encouragingly. The following recipe demonstrates the quick, foolproof method of roasting thick cuts of fish in a very hot oven, then dressing the fish with a mixture of lemon juice, fresh herbs, lemon and orange zest and sundried tomato. This preparation can also be used for salmon, cod or swordfish.

OVEN-ROASTED HALIBUT WITH HERB CITRUS VINAIGRETTE

- 4 pieces halibut steaks or thick portion of fillet 7/8-inch thick (about 6 ounces each)
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- For the Herb Citrus Vinaigrette:
 - 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
 - 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
 - 2 tablespoons ice water
 - 1/2 teaspoon grated lemon zest
 - 1/2 teaspoon grated orange zest
 - 1 small garlic clove crushed through a press
 - 1 tablespoon minced sun-dried tomato (packed in oil or dry

- and reconstituted in boiling water for 5 minutes)
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh Italian (flat leaf) parsley
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill
- 1 teaspoon fresh thyme leaves stripped from the stems
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 4 very thin slices of lemon for garnish (optional)
- Herb sprigs for garnish (optional)

Preheat the oven to 450° F. Arrange the fish in a large baking pan. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Bake just until the center turns from translucent to opaque, 10 to 12 minutes. Meanwhile, make the Herb Citrus Vinaigrette. Whisk together the oil, lemon juice, water, lemon and orange zests and garlic. Stir in the sun-dried tomato, basil, parsley, dill and thyme, add salt and pepper. Transfer the fish to a platter or individual serving plates and spoon the vinaigrette on top. Serve hot, warm or at room temperature, garnished with lemon slices and herb sprigs, if using.

WINE

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What's surprising about Hawkes Bay is that it produces excellent red wines, cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc and syrah. This is principally due to the fact that it is a warm region and the soils are very gravelly, much like the Bordeaux region of France. The vineyard area known as Gimblett Gravels was created by three rivers that deposited the well-drained gravel subsoil that allows syrah and the Bordeaux varieties to thrive. Try the red wines from Villa Maria, Trinity Hill and Te Mata Estate. A three-hour drive south of Hawkes Bay is the Martinborough region, renowned for growing quality Burgundy varieties, chardonnay and pinot noir. The area boasts a long cool growing

season with low rainfall, particularly during autumn, due to the protection afforded by the Tararua Mountain Range to the west. This allows the grapes to ripen perfectly without fear of mold or mildew, often a problem in humid areas. Martinborough pinot noirs are pretty wines, delicate and elegant with cherry and dried rose petal aromas, supple wines with a touch of forest floor character and full, rich flavors. When harvest approaches, most vineyards look like white parallel waves against a background of forest green because the vines are covered with white nets to discourage birds. A flock of starlings can easily devour a vineyard in one morning. Top Martinborough wineries include Nga Waka "the canoes, Ata Rangī new beginning," Martinborough Vineyard and Te Kairanga "land of food and plenty." These names are aboriginal

and come from the native New Zealand people known as Maori, who make up 20 percent of New Zealand's population. From Martinborough it is a 1-1/2 hour drive to Wellington, New Zealand's capitol city. The drive takes you over the mountain range that separates the east coast from the inland region. Wellington is at the extreme south of the North Island. To travel further south, one must cross Cook's Strait on a ferry, about a three-hour journey. Since the weather is so changeable, flying may be a better choice. Next week we'll discuss New Zealand's South Island. Ray and Eleanor Heald are Contributing Editors for the internationally respected Quarterly Review of Wines and Troy residents who write about wine spirits and restaurants for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com

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Vegetarian paella is a subtle, spicy and sensible dish

BY J M HIRSCH
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CONCORD, N H (AP) - It's probably true with all cooking, but it's especially true with vegetarian cuisine - the harder you work at a dish the less likely it is to impress. The reason is simple. The best vegetarian dishes are those that are naturally meat-free. In other words, the more you try to persuade tofu to taste like tenderloin, the less likely it is to be tasty.


It's for this reason that I recently hesitated before trying to craft a paella fit for veggie sensibilities. What could be less vegetarian-friendly than a dish packed with an assortment of meats and seafood? But a bit of research into the history of the dish revealed that a meatless paella might not be as far from the framers' intent as I initially suspected. Paella originated in Spain's Valencia region and was built around a base of rice, olive oil and saffron, that pricey thread

of a spice that gives the dish its smoky flavor and sunny golden color. Additional ingredients have varied across the years and regions. Original versions called for a mix of chicken, snails, green beans and peas. Variations included eel, frogs and vegetables. As the dish spread it spawned new interpretations, including jambalaya in the United States. These days chicken, rabbit, duck, lobster, mussels, shrimp, squid, chorizo (Spanish sausage), peppers, peas and artichoke hearts are common. Knowing paella's simple start, as well as its many permutations, I no longer felt so bad about stripping out the meat and seafood. The key

would be substitutions that feel natural to the dish. Obviously the rice, oil and saffron would stay. To that I added red bell pepper for color and crunch, onion for flavor, corn, and peas and artichoke hearts since some traditional recipes have them anyway. Seasonings would be simple, as the saffron should be complemented not competed with. Salt, freshly ground black pepper, a bit of garlic and paprika would do just fine. As for replacing the meat and seafood, I started with cannellini beans since beans and rice are a nice combination. To that I added soy sausage (soy chorizo or just seasoned tofu would be nice, too).

VEGETARIAN PABELLA	
1/2 cup hot water	Combine the water and saffron in a cup and let stand 10 minutes.
1/4 teaspoon saffron threads	
2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil	While the saffron soaks, heat the olive oil in a large, heavy skillet over a medium-high flame. Add the bell pepper and onion and saute until the onion is just browned, about 6 minutes. Add the artichokes and garlic and saute 5 minutes.
1 red bell pepper seeded and diced	
1 medium onion diced	
14 ounce can artichoke hearts drained and quartered	
2 large cloves garlic minced	
1 1/2 cup paella rice (Arborio or other medium grain white rice)	Reduce heat to low, add rice and stir to coat with oil. Add broth and tomatoes and bring to a boil, stirring frequently. Add the saffron water, paprika, salt and pepper. Reduce heat to medium-low, cover and cook 15 minutes.
3 cups vegetable broth	
1/2 cup diced tomatoes drained	
1/2 teaspoon paprika	
1/2 teaspoon salt	
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper	
15 ounce can cannellini beans drained and rinsed	Add the beans, peas, corn and soy sausage. Cover and cook until the liquid is completely absorbed and the rice is tender, about 5 minutes. Remove pan from the heat and let stand 5 minutes before serving.
1 cup peas	
1 cup corn kernels	
6 ounce package seasoned tofu or soy sausage	Makes 6 servings

The Right Direction.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

PROPOSED ACTION: Request Approval of Zoning Variance Requests
DATE OF HEARINGS: Thursday, August 5, 2004
TIME OF HEARINGS: 5:00 p.m.
PLACE OF HEARINGS: Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Rd.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Plymouth will hold public hearings at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday August 5, 2004, to consider the following variance requests:

- Application No. 1374 - Andrew & Linda Glovatsky**
44851 Partridge
Tax I.D. #78-032-02-0047-000

The existing residential property should have a minimum side yard setback of ten (10) feet. With the proposed three car front entry garage addition, the side yard setback would be seven point five (7.5) feet. The applicant is requesting a variance for side yard setback of two point five (2.5) feet.

- Application No. 1375 - Michael & Jennifer Huff**
43375 Judson
Tax I.D. #78-061-01-0004-000

The existing residential property is located on a corner with a less than minimum rear yard setback. With the proposed variance the fence placement would be located three feet off the front property line. The applicant is requesting a variance for fence placement.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the proposed variance requests may be examined at the Plymouth Township Building Department, Plymouth Township Hall, during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to the Plymouth Township Building Department, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call 734-354-3208. The meeting will be held in the Meeting Room at Township Hall, which is located in Building One at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth.

RAYMOND STURDY, Secretary
Zoning Board of Appeals

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Notice is hereby given that the following units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of open auction on 08/06/04 at approximately 9:00 a.m. at the following locations:

<p>Shurgard of Canton 2101 Haggerty Rd. Canton, MI 48187 734-981-0300</p> <p>Unit 2036 household Unit 4294 household Unit 5222 household Unit 5251 household Unit 6217 household Unit 6258 household</p>	<p>Shurgard of Westland 36001 Warren Rd. Westland, MI 48185 734-926-6000</p> <p>Unit 3094 household Unit 3172 household Unit 3178 household</p>
<p>Shurgard of Canton South 45220 Michigan Avenue. Canton, MI 48188 734-398-5416</p> <p>Unit 1005 household Unit 3031 Church pews Unit 4044 household Unit 4126 household Unit 4145 household Unit 4150 household Unit 4159 household Unit 4215 household Unit 4258 household Unit 5336 household</p>	<p>Shurgard of Southfield 19350 W. 8 Mile Rd. Southfield, MI 48075 248-357-1137</p> <p>Unit 1096 household Unit 1123 household Unit 1199 household Unit 1201 household Unit 1229 household Unit 1302 household Unit 1307 household Unit 2059 household Unit 2132 household Unit 2135 household Unit 2241 household Unit 2246 household</p>
<p>Shurgard of Walled Lake 1901 East West Maple Rd. Walled Lake, MI 48390 248-669-4020</p> <p>Unit 1111 contractor equipment Unit 2010 household Unit 3030 Pontiac Firebird Unit 3031 Mazda RX 7 Unit 6004 household</p>	<p>Shurgard of Dearborn 24920 Townbridge Dearborn, MI 48124 313-277-2000</p> <p>Unit 1300 household Unit 2050 household Unit 2283 household</p>
<p>Shurgard of Taylor 9300 Pelham Rd. Taylor, MI 48180 313-292-2950</p> <p>Unit 2001 household Unit 2057 household Unit 4037 household Unit 5014 household Unit 5097 household Unit 6005 household Unit 6032 household</p>	<p>Shurgard of Plymouth 41889 Joy Rd. Canton, MI 48187 734-459-2200</p> <p>Unit 3006 household Unit 3007 household Unit 5062 household</p>
<p>Shurgard of Livonia 30300 Plymouth Rd. Livonia, MI 48150 734-522-7811</p> <p>Unit 2063 household Unit 3077 household Unit 4132 household</p>	<p>Shurgard of Sthfld @ Telegraph 24200 Telegraph Southfield, MI 48034 248-208-9000</p> <p>Unit 1010 office equipment Unit 1046 household Unit 1111 household Unit 2044 household Unit 2050 household Unit 2068 household Unit 3067 household</p>

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON BOARD PROCEEDINGS - JULY 13, 2004

5 Repealer All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same hereby are rescinded.

AYES: Bennett, Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo
NAYS: Shefferly

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED

Township Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on July 13, 2004, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act Township Clerk

Item 8. BANKING SERVICES Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter, to authorize the Treasurer's Office to name Bank One as Canton Township's main depository institution for five years and further authorize the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer to sign any documents necessary. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, Zarbo; Nays: Bennett, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack. Motion defeated. Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Treasurer's Office to name Comerica as Canton Township's main depository institution for five years, with either participant having the option of dissolving the contract at any time and further authorize the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer to sign any documents necessary. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Bennett, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Yack; Nays: Burdzyak, Kirchgatter, Zarbo. Motion carried.

Item 9. MERCHANT CARD SERVICES Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly, to authorize the Treasurer's Office to name

Fifth Third as Canton Township's Service provider for Merchant Card Services and further authorize the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer to sign any documents necessary. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Cheryl McFarland, Bank One Representative stated that Bank One has valued the partnership with the Charter Township of Canton and would have provided the Township a savings of \$125,000 over the next five (5) years, however they will assist in making the transition as smooth as possible. Nancy Robinson, Comerica Representative, stated that they are committed to the community with a fourth facility in progress.

OTHER: Trustee Zarbo inquired if a special even analysis, such as Liberty Fest is done and if the Fire Department or Public Safety Department have any response. Director Santomauro stated that the Department does do a department analysis as to the degree that Public Safety is used and the level of service required. Director Santomauro stated that such as the last day of public school the presence of Public Safety creates a drop of incidents just by their presence. Director Conklin stated that the Logistic Committee reviews coverage and stated that Public Safety's presence minimizes number of calls and they have good interaction with the public. Trustee Zarbo inquired if the 4th of July Parade was a good or bad experience for Public Safety. Director Santomauro stated that it was a positive experience for Public Safety. Director Faas stated that the next Study Session on Tuesday, July 20, 2004 is for review of Access Management and the Ford Road Task Force, however he will supply a brief report and suggest waiting until September to combine with Overlay District and DDA.

ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adjourn. Supervisor Yack adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

THOMAS J. YACK, Supervisor
TERRY G. BENNETT, Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2004

Supervisor Mann called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. All members were present.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the agenda for the July 13, 2004 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the July 13, 2004, Board of Trustees Regular Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Pat DeVoy and Terri Maga, residents on Ann Arbor Trail presented pictures and chronicled their attempts to have the grass cut on rental property located behind their residence. The property is owned by Mr. Curmi's 82 year old mother and is maintained by Mr. Curmi on her behalf. A portion of the property was sold on June 9, thus was in transition.

Mr. Curmi felt this was a private matter and their appearance at the meeting was politically motivated. He stated he wished to be cooperative and a good neighbor. He said arrangements have been made to have it cut three times a year.

Jacqueline Kolton of Canton Center Road expected an agenda item to discuss her case regarding having had to pay for a sidewalk, tree plot plan, certified grade and road approach, and having had bond monies held prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy. Others were not required to pay for these items, just she and Mr. Richards, Township Attorney Cronin and Christine Beltz, Civil Rights Investigator had told her, to appear today.

Mr. Cronin gave background on the case as filed with HUD, which has been referred to the Civil Rights Commission, and apologized that the item did not appear on tonight's Board agenda.

Mr. Mann said the departments and attorney have been working on it, and asked her to return to the next Board meeting, August 17, 2004.

George Johnson, Marlowe Street, objected to a candidate for supervisor calling his subdivision "Muddy Meadows" instead of Green Meadows.

Ramell Frazier, Marlowe Street, remarked on the increased through traffic on the street because of the other street closings.

Mr. Mann noted attempts are underway to expedite further street closings in the area.

Ms. Arnold suggested the possibility of temporarily posted "No Thru Traffic" signs.

Increased patrolling of the area was discussed with Assistance Police Chief Smith.

Mrs. Massengill moved to table Item G-1, Request from Loc Performance Products, Inc., until later in the meeting in the hope the applicant might be present at that time. Seconded by Mr. Edwards. Ayes all.

Mr. Edwards moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. C 2004 02, amending MCL 436 1701 "Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor Ordinance", pursuant to a change in State Law Supported by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all on a roll call vote. A copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mr. Munfakh objected to making any Board appointments prior to the election.

Ms. Arnold moved to approve the appointment of Janice M. Litwin to the Charter Township of Plymouth Planning Commission, term ending June 30, 2007. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill. AYES: Arnold, Massengill, Curmi, Edwards, Mann. NAYS: Munfakh. Motion carried.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the reappointment of John J. Hasluck to the Charter Township of Plymouth Planning Commission, term expiring on June 30, 2007. Seconded by Ms. Edwards. AYES: Massengill, Arnold, Curmi, Edwards, Mann. NAYS: Munfakh. Motion carried.

Mrs. Massengill moved to approve the reappointment of Ray Sturdy to the Charter Township of Plymouth Planning Commission, term expiring on June 30, 2007. Seconded by Mr. Arnold. AYES: Massengill, Arnold, Curmi, Edwards, Mann. NAYS: Munfakh. Motion carried.

Mr. Munfakh moved to adopt Resolution No. 04-07-13-30, authorizing the Township Supervisor to sign Wayne County Permit C-41681 and approve Storm Drain Agreement with Demco 27 LLC, and authorize Township Supervisor and Clerk to execute same. Seconded by Mr. Curmi. Ayes all on a roll call vote. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mr. Munfakh moved that the contract for the Plymouth Hills SAD Paving Project be conditionally awarded to Ajax Paving Industries,

Inc., in the amount of \$296,181.50 contingent upon the passage of the Hearing of Assessment subject to the thirty (30) day appeal process. He further moved to approve Resolution No. 04-07-13-31 scheduling Hearing of Assessment for the Plymouth Hills SAD Paving Project on August 17, 2004. Seconded by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all on a roll call vote. A copy of the Resolution is on file in the Clerk's office for public perusal.

Mr. Curmi moved to rescind Resolution No. 03-02-11-06, the prior Beacon Estates Subdivision Special Assessment District project, in order to proceed with the new Beacon Estates Subdivision SAD. He further moved to authorize the engineering firm of Orchard Hiltz & McCliment, Inc. to prepare plans showing the improvement, location and estimate of cost for the paving of Beacon Estates Subdivision as submitted and described on the received petitions for a cost not to exceed Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00). The scope of work for the above shall include:

- The review and substantiation of soil borings previously obtained
- Review of preliminary field shots and necessary field review
- Meetings with Wayne County to review preliminary plan cross sections and other information
- Prepare preliminary cost estimates for project (revised scope and district limits)
- Any and all activities needed to proceed with the Public Hearing of Necessity

Seconded by Ms. Arnold. Ayes all.

Mr. Edwards moved to receive and file the 2004 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report prepared by Plante and Moran. Seconded by Mrs. Massengill. Ayes all.

Mr. Mann opened the Public Hearing regarding the request from Loc Performance Products Inc. for a twelve year Industrial Facilities Exemption for machinery and equipment to be installed within their facility located at 13505 Haggerty Road at 8:07 p.m. There being no public comment the hearing was closed at 8:08 p.m.

Mrs. Massengill moved to table the request from Loc Performance Products Inc., for a twelve (12) year Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate until the applicant can attend. Seconded by Mr. Munfakh. Ayes all.

Mr. Mann welcomed new Fire Chief Randy Maycock and said there will be a formal presentation at the Board meeting of August 17.

Mr. Curmi discussed with Fire Chief Maycock the status of the building at Station 3 which is being built by volunteers with donations.

In answer to Mr. Munfakh's question, Mr. Lewis responded with regard to Huntington Park that issues concerning the Township were finalized. However, the homeowners still had some issues with landscaping and with the County regarding roads.

Mrs. Massengill reminded everyone that the next Board meeting has been changed from August 10 to August 17.

Don Schnettler noted he was not the candidate for supervisor who called Green Meadows "Muddy Meadows", as mentioned by Mr. Johnson. He also had questions regarding the building permit fee portion of the financial report.

Mr. Schnettler comments on the placement of campaign signs of Mr. Edwards and Mr. Mann. Both stated that their signs have all been placed with permission of the property owners, including the store near the southwest corner of Ann Arbor and Ridge Roads.

Jim Karell thanked the Board for the opportunity to have served on the Planning Commission.

Roy Banks expressed hope that Wayne County would be removing the diseased trees in the area soon because other species of trees are beginning to be affected.

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

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 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 July 13, 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 August 17, 2004.

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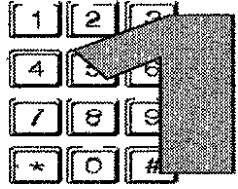
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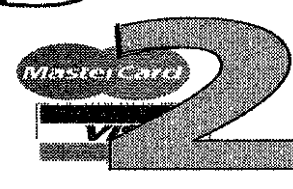
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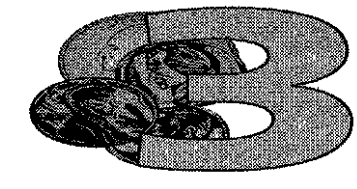
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ESTABLISHED WOMAN Good looking 40 I have black hair dark brown eyes medium complexion I have one 14 yr old child at home I am professional only employed and own my own home I am looking for a man with the same interests who's nice with good values and good looks Ad# 759906

GEMINI SWF 62 58 blonde hair blue eyes enjoys family get together ers music dancing exercising dream cruise dancing camping and much more Looking for tall SWM 58+ to share special times Ad# 726948

GAMES OVER 18 120 lbs 5 7 pete SWF seeks an admirer based on the outdoorsy adventures future plans of marriage mature enjoy life to the fullest 18 23 SBM Ad# 759294

SELF SECURED SWF 56 125 hazel eyes blonde hair enjoys car music seeking someone who's 56 and older fun likes himself openminded and loves music Ad# 769205

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SOUND GOOD TO YOU? SWF 50 59 175 lbs with short black hair and brown eyes Enjoys bowling camping and softball Looking for an attractive respect ful outgoing SBM 35 60 who's open minded likes pets walks and get times Ad# 726808

SOMETHING MISSING 56 years young want a special friend in my life Missing the little things a hug a kiss holding hands Enjoys just about everything but missing the most important thing the other half in my life Ad# 408107

HUMOR IS A PLUS 40 SWF reddish brown hair green eyes plus size looking for a fun loving man with a great sense of humor non judgemental Ad# 754135

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A BEAUTIFUL MIND

Full figured SWF 40 59 with green eyes and reddish brown hair Looking for a down to earth fun loving intelligent SWM who's open minded and has a sense of humor Ad# 754174

GIVE ME A CALL Full figured SBF 16 57 230 lbs with short hair and a daughter Looking for a real SBM 19 30 who's got things going for himself Ad# 751774

ALL IN TIME SWF 25 57 180 lbs down to earth to quality time seeks SBM who I have to cuddle down to earth knows what he wants out of life and how to get it Ad# 751474

NEWLY SINGLE SWF 18 good person newly single seeks SAM age unimportant be sweet childer ok someone nice to talk to Ad# 751354

VERY INDEPENDENT Single black female most 22 looking for serious relationship with a single black male 23 30 Ad# 744532

DO YOU LOVE THE LORD? SW Mom of 2 self employed loves God Seeks a SM 45 56 who is serious about a relationship Ad# 744390

ACTIVE m a 48 year old SWF searching for an honest energetic spiritual essaying SWM 45 65 Ad# 742983

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INDEPENDENT LADY DB Mom 38 55 full figured thoughtful Into sports travel concerts museums camping home time & moe Seeks down to earth understanding good humored employed dug & d sease free SW 34 50 with own transportation who loves kids & animals Ad# 742940

BROWN EYED LADY SWF 54 49 enjoys being teased by funny moves page turn n no books Desires SWM N/S 40 55 that I can look up to who can make me laugh a sort of handsome and secure in finances and self Ad# 473551

ATTRACTIVE & AVAILABLE SWF 38 57 interested in meeting a man who enjoys the simple pleasures in life rests with me with his children camp n basketball go fng mus and concerts Looking for a SWM 30 45 who's fun to be around Ad# 444655

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STRONG AND FUN SWF 18 with no children s a college student Seeking a SBM 18 35 who's strong self motivated athletic and more Ad# 741015

A RARE FIND Full figured SWF 40 with dark blonde hair hazel eyes and s a current college student Looking for a SWM 37 47 around 5 10 6 4 170 230 lbs who's honest caring and tets a d y w l for a long term relationship Ad# 740475

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MAKE ME YOUR QUEEN SBF 51 who enjoys movies dining out fabulous cook! This fabulous cook seeking a SWM 46+ who's kind gentle francoaly secure and enjoys shopping and pampering the lady on h s am Ad# 739538

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BROWN QUEEN SEES MAN Single black female 48 5 7 brown hair & brown eyes hope ng to meet a single black ma e 48 52 Ad# 729303

ALL THE GOOD THINGS

SWM 35 200 lbs 6 seeks a SWF to share camping adventures ment parks and at the good times I have to offer Ad# 774407

HAVE SOME FUN NO GAMES 50 SWM looking for a SBF smoker Don't play games just spend some time together If this sounds good to you then leave me a message Ad# 774385

SHARE FUN TIMES SWM 28 65 210 lbs blue eyes easy to get along with Enjoys sports the outdoors and time at home Seeks a down to earth trustworthy SF 20 45 Ad# 773244

SOAR WITH ME I am a SWM 61 pilot who enjoys sand and sun beaches warm weather flying travel etc I would like to meet a SF 48 58 in the White Lake area All calls returned Ad# 481076

BEAUTIFUL INSIDE

Nice looking outgoing SBM 43 5 9 175 lbs with brown eyes and short hair Enjoys movies and dancing Looking for a nice SBF to go dancing with and more Ad# 768011

FUN LIFE SWM 68 61 210 lbs brown hair and eyes active easygoing and fun to be around Seeking an affectionate SF age unimportant who's fun to be with Ad# 683232

GOING PLACES 37 SWM blonde hair and blue eyes 6 2 smoker like to go out chat on the phone and more Seeking SF who's fun loving and likes to go places Ad# 767784

RARE BUT NOT UNUSUAL SWM 65 62 with an average build and is a vegetarian He loves culture doing the right thing and living right Looking for an honest earthy spiritual open minded healthy intel gent SF 31+ who's not interested in a long term relationship Ad# 687188

MOTIVATED 5 10 SWM blonde hair blue eyes likes bike mus c bowling and looking for a down to earth girl 18 20 5 10 or shorter and likes sports Ad# 767539

SEEKING A FULL FIGURED LADY SWM 46 N/S N/D loves the outdoors Looking for a special full figured SWF 24 or der to spend time with and get to know Ad# 767284

SEARCHING SWM 27 6 185 lbs brown hair & blue eyes Like mus c bowling and moe Seeking a SF 18 32 who is kind hearted for a long term relationship Ad# 767239

PLEASE BE SERIOUS Stable SWF 37 no kids never married 6 2 220 lbs N/S night d nker outgoing & somewhat quiet Lke moves vdeo games bingo and more Seeking a SF 21 40 to dating and a poss ble long term rel at onsh p Ad# 767012

NEED YOUR TOUCH 62 SWM 6 250 lbs seeking SWF 52 62 N/S no drugs I m st the touch of a female enjoy golf cas no and more Ad# 766331

TIRED AND LONELY SBM 43 has two kng mce dog 5 8 5 10 190 lb tried of games Seeking a hardwck kng l u e SWF 41 46 who likes jazz and must have a little bit of Jesus in her Ad# 768870

CLEAN CUT WHITE MALE Down to earth 50 looking for a clean neat passionate lady who likes long wa ks/drives non smoker social drinker who enjoys being around the house seeking a person who enjoys life I want to share life with her Ad# 768771

SHARE LIFE SWM 51 250 lbs brown hair green eyes living in fortune 500 company like walks long weekends working around the house seeking a person who enjoys life I want to share life with her Ad# 768771

LET 60 SWM young looking retired seeks gorgeous intelligent lady who likes to go boating and more Ad# 768284

PATIENTLY WAITING 39 SWM N/S In Wayne County likes the outdoors fishing camping b r dng Seeks a car ng kind and no gaming SWF 35-43 and sim lar interest Ad# 773303

TIRED OF BEING ALONE 32 SWM no kids work in a factory I am open minded with a big heart seeking a good woman with a warm heart who likes or has kids to go dancing to movies and lots of things I am tired of being alone Ad# 772054

IT 52 SWM 6 2 brown & black employed and in school for rocket scientist social drinker N/S like either dressing up or down looking for a very open minded open haired woman outgoing evel headed w th depth Ad# 770336

NO EXTRA BAGGAGE SWM 48 who likes the outdoors fishing camp boating and animal Seeking SWF 38-48 for a soulmate to have some nice times together Ad# 430941

SPECIAL PETITE LADY WANTED SBM 24 6 3 320 lbs smoker social drinker Seeks an open minded SWF 20+ who knows how to have a good time Ad# 764452

LASTING RELATIONSHIP 50 SWM Italian looking for a SF race unimportant in shape for a lasting relationship Ad# 769434

I AM WAITING SWM 48 (looks 39) nice build with a pleasant personality and knows how to treat a lady I am looking for a woman that is looking for a good man Hope to hear from you soon Redford area Ad# 411537

ROMANTIC DENTIST SWF 54 6 173 lbs is very successful and attractive Seeking a SWF 38 53 5 4 plus sim non smoker very attractive and physically fit who loves fine dining travel and cuddling and is seeking a best friend Ad# 403950

SPIRITUAL MAN

45 SBM 145 no criminal record st m agnostic high moral standards very spiritual I am unemployed about to get disability but I do have a lot of goals Looking for a compassionate stable woman Ad# 729393

BLUE EYES BROWN HAIR Good looking and financially secure SWM 32 Seeking a SWF 27 37 who I like dining out bowling and a good home cooked meal Ad# 685402

LET 46 SWM great guy fun to be with I am 6 n really good shape clean cut brown hair ke to dress and wear cologne have a great home with a beautiful inground pool Ad# 683964

MUSCULAR & ATHLETIC Single white male 45 6 2 209 lbs brown hair blue eyes clean cut degree never married no dependants outgoing personality Enjoys roller blading working out etc Seeks a friendly single female Wayne County Ad# 404066

TO THE POINT SWM 57 5 6 180 seeks a nice single white lady who enjoys life 40 57 Ad# 762656

OUTGOING LADY FOR ME 45 6 200 lbs SWM I like the outdoors movies bowling a lot of different things I am looking for a person who's outgoing Ad# 761538

BIT OF A HOMEBODY 59 SWM bit of a homebody I like sports travel a bit If I sound interesting give me a call Ad# 761361

WORKING OUT AND SO MUCH MORE 55 5 10 sandy blonde/soo green 200 lbs workout love bowling and a lot of other things Contact me if interested Ad# 761325

WELL ROUNDED 30 well rounded I am seeking a long term relationship I was raised to be a gentleman in the classic sense of the word Ad# 761000

GOOD TIMES AHEAD SWM 50 5 8 170 brown hair blue eyes seeks someone with a sense of humor outgoing positive outlook on life sing e female 34 55 Ad# 760911

SEEKING BLACK GIRL 20 Afr can Amer can male looking for a black g Ad# 760336

HONESTY A MUST SWM 50 5 9 175 short black hair brown eyes many hobbies sociall boating camping sewing dancing seeks honest and caring respectfu one who is cons derate of others Ad# 759340

EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL SWM 45 5 8 171 light brown hair blue eyes Looking for a pass on ats compassionate professional SWF 28-45 Oakland or Wayne County Ad# 449853

HARD WORKER SWM 34 5 6 155 lbs athletic build enjoys martial arts movies Looking for a nice honest down to earth girl next door type SWF 18 36 who likes the movies Ad# 759934

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SIMPLIFIED LIFE SWM 54 seeks SAF 18 40 for good times making meals theatre quet times at home sound interesting! Ad# 758761

CONVERTIBLE MAN SWM 52 walking/driving hang ng with friends 5 5 175 lbs seeks SWF 29-31 Ad# 758939

COLLECTOR SEEMS QUALITY LADY SWF 38 has her own home two lovable dogs like to go out to dinner and collectible markets Looking for a SWF with quality who I could get along with Ad# 758974

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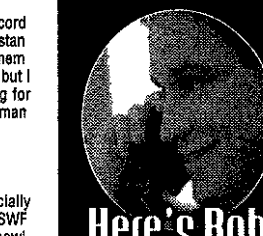
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SIMPLY THE BEST Loves the outdoors dedicated faithful loves cuddling shopping children male 35 a smoker N/D wants a nice responsible, marriage minded SWF over 30 Ad# 719351

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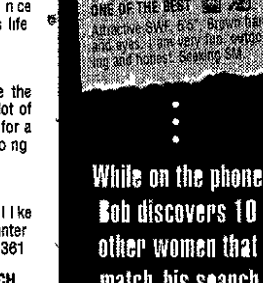
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Serve an Asian soup for summer

Since at least the third century B.C., the Chinese have appreciated a bowl of soup at almost any time of day, from breakfast to a late-night snack. Other Asian countries have followed suit. Many Asian soups are light and easy to prepare, and are therefore perfect in hot weather.

A hot, but light, summer soup can make a satisfying meal anywhere in the world. Using fresh basil, mint and cilantro from the summer garden makes it even easier to make and better to eat.

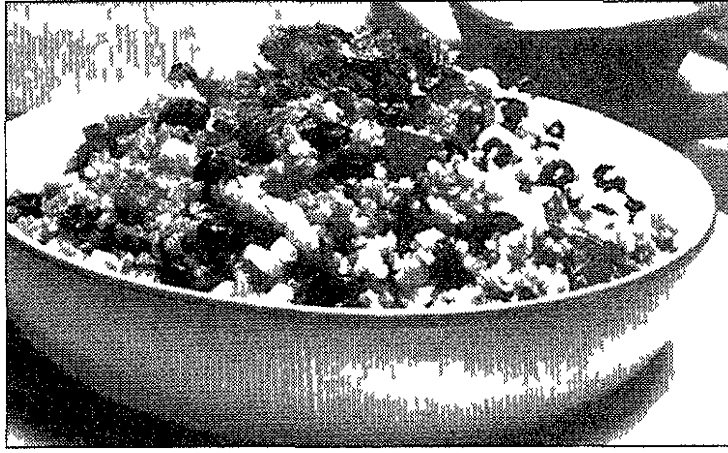
A clear broth enlivened with the flavors of fresh herbs, colorful carrots and a few simply-prepared shrimp makes a good summer meal.

Shrimp is America's favorite shellfish. There are hundreds of species from both warm and cold water. They come in many colors and sizes but all change color - to pink or red - when cooked because of a heat-caused chemical reaction. Shrimp are sold according to size. When buying shrimp, keep in mind that they should smell like the sea, not like ammonia.

Deveining shrimp is usually a matter of personal preference. The bigger the shrimp, the more likely the intestinal vein will contain grit and need to be removed.

Shrimp are not as high in cholesterol as was once thought. More importantly, the amount of the total fat is extremely low in shellfish. Shrimp are low in total saturated fat (the kind of fat that raises blood cholesterol) and calories.

The following recipe calls for lemon grass, an important flavoring in Thai cooking and now commonly available at supermarkets. If you can't find fresh lemongrass (do not use dried versions), use the zest of a lemon.



AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Serve shrimp in this Asian style soup this summer

ASIAN-STYLE SHRIMP SOUP

- ¾ pound uncooked medium large shrimp
- 3 cans (14.5 oz.) fat free low sodium chicken broth
- 2 cups finely chopped carrot divided
- ¼ cup thinly sliced fresh lemon grass or 4 wide strips fresh lemon zest
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped fresh ginger
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- 1 cup dried shitake mushrooms
- ½ tablespoons finely chopped fresh basil
- ½ tablespoons finely chopped fresh mint
- ½ tablespoons finely chopped fresh cilantro
- ½ jalapeno pepper seeded and sliced thin
- 1 cup small straw mushrooms
- ½ teaspoons fresh lime juice

Peel and devein shrimp, reserving shells. In a large pot, place the broth, shrimp shells with 1 cup carrots, lemongrass (or zest), ginger and garlic. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer uncovered

20 minutes, stirring and skimming surface occasionally.

Meanwhile, soak shitake mushrooms in warm water until pliable. Drain, remove stems and cut into bite-size pieces. Cut shrimp in half lengthwise.

Transfer broth to a storage container, cover and chill. (Can be made a day ahead and then covered and refrigerated until ready to serve.)

Strain broth into a large pot, pressing on solids with back of a spoon to remove as much liquid as possible. Discard solids. Bring broth, remaining carrots and shitake mushrooms to a simmer. Cook until carrots and mushrooms are tender. Remove from heat. Stir in shrimp, remaining herbs, pepper, straw mushrooms and lime juice. Cover and let sit until shrimp are opaque (1 to 2 minutes). Serve immediately.

Makes 6 servings

Nutritional information per serving: 110 calories, 1 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 11 g carbohydrate, 16 g protein, 2 g dietary fiber, 759 mg sodium.

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Real Estate Inquires

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That is something you should check with your financial advisor and/or insurance consultant. But it is a good idea to have worker's compensation coverage in any event particularly if you have a contractor who claims to have insurance but does not end up having adequate insurance to cover its employees. You should always insist that any contractors provide you with proof of insurance regarding worker's compensation coverage and you should confirm with their insurance agent that the insurance is in effect.

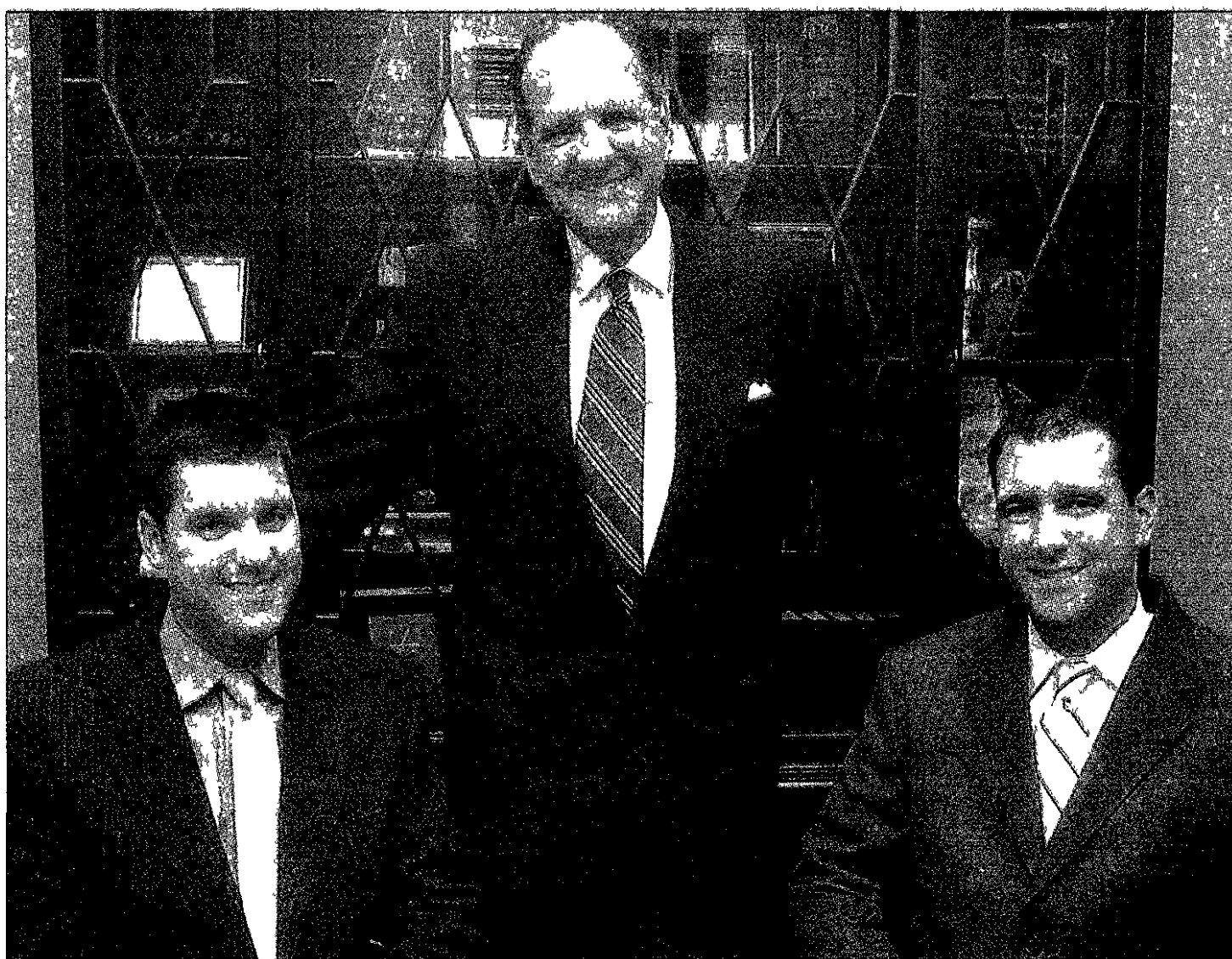
Recently, our Board has stated that all our communications with the Board Attorney are "confidential" and co-owners may not be apprised of what is in those communications. Some of those are in the Board minutes but the Board will delete these communications before allowing anyone to look at them. Our Condominium Bylaws clearly state that "all Association records shall be open for inspection" and there are no exceptions in the Bylaws. What is your opinion on this question?

I believe that there is an attorney/client privilege between the Association and the Board of Directors operating on behalf of the Association and the Association's legal counsel. Communications between counsel and the Board are privileged and may not be disclosed to the members of the Association short of a court order. While you are correct in that the members of the Association have a right to inspect all records, I believe that most courts would conclude that this does not include items which are protected by the attorney/client privilege. Otherwise, the actions of the Board in dealing with co-owners, by way of example, would be undermined if their counsel's advice to the Board is open to the co-owner's review who may be an adversary to the Association.

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Dennis Wolf president of Hall & Hunter Realtors (center) with sons Ryan and Brad

Hall & Hunter

One office, lots of service, 50 years of success

BY KEELY KALESKI
STAFF WRITER

Treat people fairly honestly the way you want to be treated and find something you like to do.

That's Dennis Wolf's secret of success. He's president of Hall & Hunter Realtors in Birmingham, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. Business has been good, very good.

Last year's sales were \$330 million, a 16 percent increase over 2002. This year he's predicting \$400 million in sales volume — making it the most profitable year in the firm's history.

Hall & Hunter is the exclusive affiliate member of Christie's Great Estates in Oakland County, a network that features luxury homes and the brokers who market them nationally and internationally.

The company's slant is toward homes priced from the mid to upper ranges, \$400,000 to as high as \$5 million, but Wolf adds, we work just as hard for someone who is buying their first home.

"I love real estate," he says. "I can't wait to get into the office. I'm excited about business. I work with people I enjoy being with. I have good days and bad days, but even on my bad days there's nothing else I'd rather be doing."

HIS STORY

Wolf grew up in Birmingham and was a junior at Seaholm High School when his father died suddenly after a heart attack. Only 16 at the time, he had to go to work to support his mother, and two

sisters age 13 and one Dick Morrison, the father of a good friend, got him a job at Chrysler and told him he should go to college. Wolf worked full time at Chrysler and studied business at Oakland University part-time.

"I was a buyer for Chrysler, but I decided in 1974 that I wanted to do something to direct my destiny," he said. "I had a cousin who worked at Chamberlain Realty in Bloomfield Hills and decided to try it."

His timing wasn't great. Wolf's wife, Kathy, was pregnant and had just quit her job. "We both left jobs with set income," he said. "It was very difficult. My wife was very supportive, we were high school sweethearts and have been married 33 years. Early in my career I was working seven days a week, but in 1975 my hard work started to pay off."

In 1982, Isabelle Hall, a real estate agent Wolf worked with, asked if he ever thought about buying into a company. "It was a recessionary year," he said. "Interest rates were 17 percent. I really didn't have the financial means, but Isabelle saw something in me and approached me."

They wanted to buy into Hall & Hunter, but ended up buying the company. Hall retired in 1988, and Wolf purchased her share.

"We started with 14 agents and now have 80," said Wolf. "My agents don't work for me, I work for my agents. I set policy and procedures and create an atmosphere where they feel creative and comfortable. We work as a team. Agents are in business to list and sell."



Dennis Wolf (standing) listens to his staff during an Advisory Board meeting

ONE-STOP SHOP

Hall & Hunter has evolved into a one-stop shop that services agents and their customers. A marketing/advertising department prepares color brochures for agents and places ads in local publications. The award-winning relocation department works with corporations to find homes for employees. Title work and closings are also done in house. FrontGate Financial mortgage brokerage service was added this June.

"Customers don't really care how big you are, they care about service," said Wolf. "Part of that service is knowledge."

Family's important too. "I feel I'm the luckiest guy ever because I get to work with my two sons in the business," said Wolf. But he insisted they work for other companies after graduating from college. Brad's in charge of special projects. Ryan is the senior loan officer for FrontGate Financial. Brad's wife, Julia, works part-time in administration.

Dorothy Perrotta of Bloomfield Hills, a former teacher, has worked at Hall & Hunter as an associate broker since 1988. Her son Michael joined the company three years ago.

"It's very challenging," she said. "I love meeting people. You educate people to bring about the sale. The company is very reputable, everyone is extremely pleasant and trying to do their absolute best job."

Margie Hensen of Troy started

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working at Hall & Hunter in administration while she was a junior at Seaholm High School. "We try to meet all the needs of our sales agents," she said. "It's a very special place to work. When I came here there were maybe 15-20 sales agents, now we're up to 80 and we haven't lost the close-knit feeling."

Dee Wright, an associate broker, and former therapist, left another local firm to join Hall & Hunter in 1989. "We've been around for a long time," she said referring to Hall & Hunter. "It represents quality, integrity. You sell a house, you buy a home. There's a feeling of warmth and protection here. When there's an issue it gets dealt with. Buying and selling a home is an emotional time, so is moving. No two houses or buyers are alike. Every house will sell and every house will have a buyer."

Mortgage Bits



Timothy Phillips

Interest rate secrets revealed

A couple of years back, Federal Reserve Board chairman, Alan Greenspan, started dropping interest rates to cool off our "overheating" economy. Over a two year period he incrementally dropped rates about a dozen times.

With each reduction, borrowers presumed his actions would immediately impact consumer interest rates. Occasionally, some were unpleasantly surprised to learn that mortgage interest rates actually increased immediately after the Fed's reductions.

Recently, Greenspan increased interest rates by a quarter-percent and most mortgage rates took a dip. Were you surprised? When you comprehend what I'm sharing with you today, you will never again wonder why mortgage rates change in a direction opposite the direction of the Federal Reserve's changes.

LESSON TO LEARN

Today's lesson: The Federal Reserve does not dictate your mortgage rates. It does, however, set a key interest rate called the Federal Funds Rate — the interest rate that the Federal Reserve charges its member banks for overnight loans. It is not the interest rate that consumers get for 30-year mortgages.

Over time, the aggregate changes to this key interest rate impact lenders' decisions on how much to charge their clients — that would be us — for their loan products. If big bankers feel that the money they borrow from the Federal Reserve might get more expensive, they will raise their rates. Conversely, if they anticipate cheaper money down the line, they may give consumers a break.

Wall Street investors also play an important role in how Federal Reserve actions impact our mortgage interest rates. As the investment markets ebb and flow, investors constantly monitor the economic factors that may impact their buying and selling decisions. Their decisions ultimately have an impact on mortgage rates. If they guess wrong, they make adjustments.

Prior to his recent rate increase, many investors felt that Greenspan was going to increase rates more than he actually did, and the market prices (and mortgage interest rates) already reflected their sentiment. When he only changed the Federal Funds Rate by half of what most investors expected, it was relatively "bad news" indicating perhaps a slower-than-expected recovery, and fixed-rate mortgage interest rates dropped.

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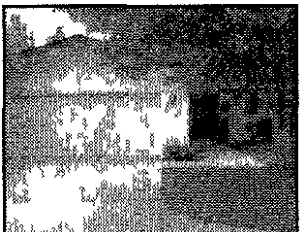
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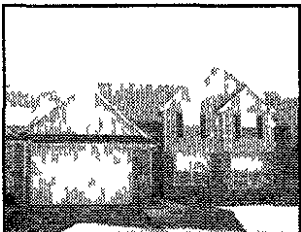
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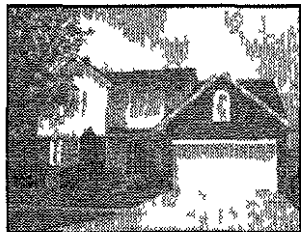
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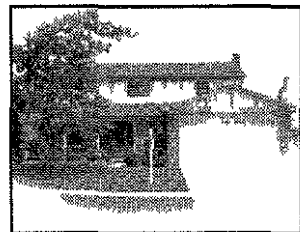
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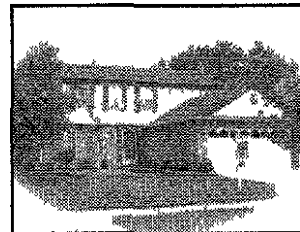
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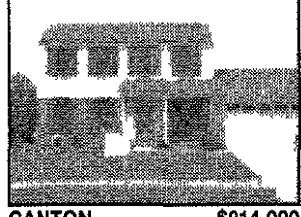
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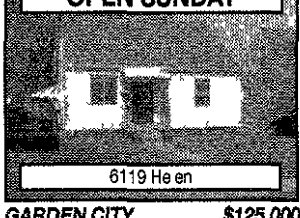
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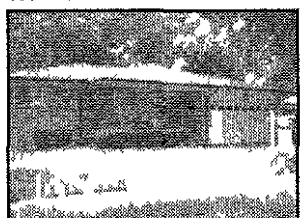
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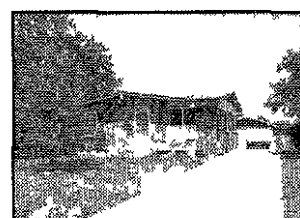
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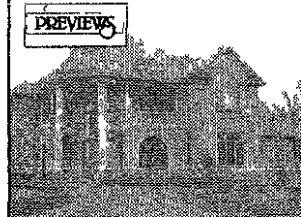
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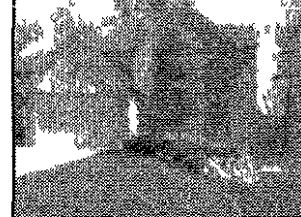
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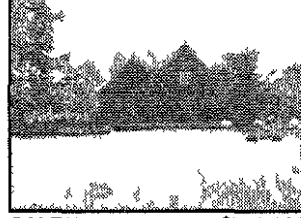
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Suburban flight: Empty-nesters flock to hip downtown areas

BY SETH SUTEL
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After nearly 30 years in the suburbs, Tony Pugliese had enough. So once his kids were grown, he persuaded his wife to buy an apartment in the tiny Russian Hill section of downtown San Francisco.

"The city to me has always been a friend," said Pugliese, who grew up in Portland, Ore., and lived in Berkeley, Calif., as a young adult. "It was something I missed."

Pugliese, a computer consultant, said it was in his career interest to move to the suburb of Palo Alto to work for IBM in the early 1970s. But "I always had it in my mind that when the time was right, and I wasn't screwing anybody's life up, that I'd move back to the city."

Pugliese, 61, represents a growing trend among empty-nester adults in their 50s and early 60s. With the kids gone and several years of work still ahead, many Americans are yielding to the lure of hip downtown areas.

As millions of baby boomers enter that age bracket, some city planners and demographers believe we could soon see an even greater influx of older, working adults into urban areas in the coming years, adding momentum to the resurgence already under way in many downtown areas.

As a senior fellow for housing at the Urban Land Institute, a Washington, D.C.-based think tank on land and development issues, John McIlwain has both studied this emerging trend as well as participated in it.

"There is a significant portion of the baby boomer generation that is opting to go to the cities," said McIlwain. "I think this is the beginning of a long-term trend."

McIlwain said that while hard data backing up this trend is scarce, he said he has seen anecdotal evidence of it in some 40 U.S. cities he has visited over the past few years. He can also relate to the urge to moving back downtown, since that's what

he and his wife did. Tired of living in the Washington suburb of Chevy Chase, Md., McIlwain sold his house several years ago, after his son left home. The couple moved to Dupont Circle, one of the capital's most trendy neighborhoods, and "it took us about a week to decide that we had made a wonderful decision," McIlwain said.

As more boomers become empty nesters, they are even more likely than previous generations to be drawn by the urge to move back to downtown areas, said Brad Edmondson, a former editor of American Demographics magazine and the co-founder of ePodunk.com, a site that profiles residential communities across the country.

CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS

More than previous generations, boomers are more likely to be single as well as college educated, making them more likely to be drawn to urban cultural attractions such as performing arts, museums and

gourmet food. "Boomers really don't have very many limitations on where they live, and in that situation density becomes very attractive," Edmondson said. "You may not be in the singles market, but you want to be around other people. They're still looking for friendship and partnership."

What's more, downtown areas themselves are vastly different from those of 10 to 20 years ago, said Robert Bach, national director of market analysis at the real estate firm Grubb & Ellis. With cities far more safe and vibrant than those in the past, a number of developers are putting up high-end buildings in downtown areas across the country and targeting them mainly to boomers, Bach said.

Bach, who is in the boomer category at the age of 52, recently moved from suburban Chicago to downtown Indianapolis. "They are moving downtown," Bach said of boomers, "and I see that continuing to happen."

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The building was submitted by Property Manager Cynthia McDonnell of Colonnade Properties, L.L.C., the property management company. The building is owned by Bingham Center Associates, L.L.C. and was designed by Richard Gould Associates, Inc.

All facets of a building's operations are thoroughly evaluated during the judging process, including tenant rela-

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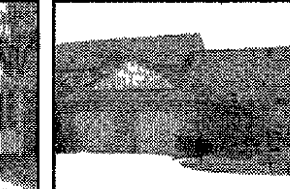



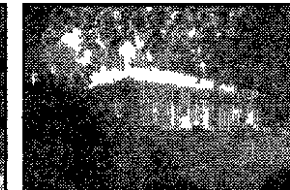


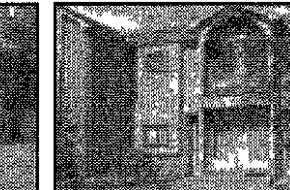
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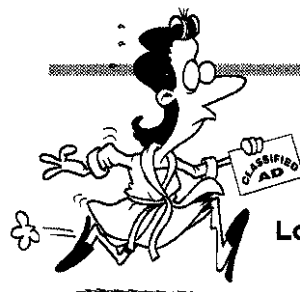


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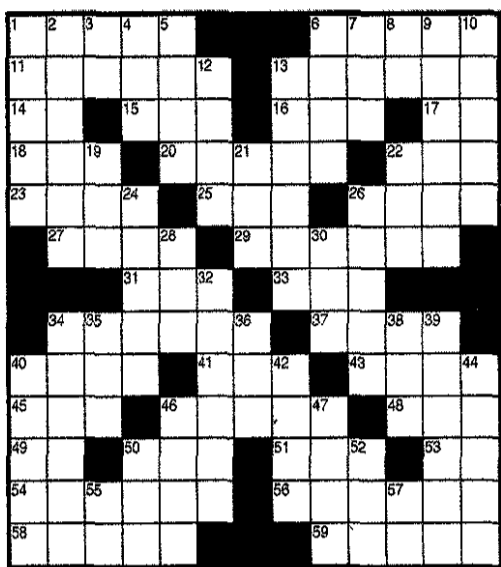
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MELVINDALE Fantastic Buy
On this sharp 2 unit brick income property. Both units identical w/2 bedrooms living room dining room kitchen & bath. Separate basements w/separate furnaces. Nice sized fenced yard.

(E81WQO) 734 455 5600 **\$138,000**



HOWELL New Const. On Lake
Magnificent colonial on Thompson Lake! Oak kitchen to main dining room 3 bedrooms 2.5 baths master w/WIC & Jacuzzi 1st floor laundry oak staircase tiled foyer & 2 car attached garage

(E70HAR) 734 455 5600 **\$419,988**



RIVER ROUGE Move Right In!
Possibly 4th bedroom in the brick bungalow w/2 car garage basement hardwood floors under carpet. Replace in living room some newer windows newer furnace + basement 2 car garage

(E36FLO) 734-455 5600 **\$128,500**




NORTHVILLE Pristine Colonial
4 BR 3.5 BA Winding staircase hardwood floors in foyer & 5 BA Huge FR w/nat flrplc Gourmet white tile w/brkstr rm formal DR LR & 10' Prof finished basement m ex rm & 5th BR & BA FFL 3 car side entry gar 3 car w/dn drive

(E02DAN) 248-349 5600 **\$479,900**



HARTLAND New Construction
New contemp home Full granite kit w/butler pantry Brazilian hwd floor 1st flr master Features Jacuzzi separate shower his/her vanities 2nd flr features super bonus m or 5th BR 3 car side entry gar approx 2 acre

(E57LON) 248 349-5600 **\$549,900**




GARDEN CITY Garden City Dollhouse
Numerous updates in this 1000+ sq ft ranch on over approx 25 acre lot Newer kitchen bath roof furnace C/A windows & more Great schools popular area Must to appreciate

(E08MER) 734 455 5600 **\$124,500**



CANTON You Gotta See This One
Move in condition 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial Envy you fenced yard w/2 tiered deck hardwood floors in LR & DR Newer furnace C/A carpet & updated kitchen & bath Free access to family room basement & 2 car gar

(E81MOR) 734 455 5600 **\$224,900**



PLYMOUTH Exceptional Cape Cod
3 BR 3.5 BA beautiful decorated & maintained hardwood floors in kitchen/bath Formal DR prof finished basement w/full ceramic bath & Barber carpet Home offers so much to so many X way access close to town

(E31GRE) 734 455 5600 **\$322,000**



NORTHVILLE Spacious Ranch
Beautiful 3 BR 2.5 BA home in fabulous sub Gorgeous backyard w/deck & paver patio overlooking commons area The lovely home has many updates roof furnace updated elec glass block windows Great neighborhood & dump pump Short walk to elementary school

(E03DUN) 248 349 5600 **\$289,900**




FARMINGTON HILLS Sharp Ranch On Nearly 1/2 Acre!
You will love the serene setting of this 3 BR 2 BA home Formal LR DR spacious family room & 2 fireplaces Light & bright kitchen w/all appliances 2 car side entry garage Neutral throughout

(E334LYM) 248 349-5600 **\$239,900**



WESTLAND Country Living
Large family home on almost an acre 4 bedrooms & 2 full baths Updated kitchen w/ice maker floors & plenty of cabinets 2 car attached garage

(E12MAR) 734 455 5600 **\$174,000**



PLYMOUTH Ranch Condo
A rare level close to banks & shopping Major updates include furnace C/A newer neutral carpet T/O Freshly painted ceramic entrance opens to LR w/gas fireplace newer kitchen kit app's full finished 1.5 car gar

(E66ER) 734 455 5600 **\$162,000**



DEARBORN HGTS Fantastic Buy!
Brand new furnace windows kitchen cabinets & Pergo floor in bath w/ceramic tile in DR + newer roof & HVAC Fresh paint in neutral tones Finished attic to extra storage

(E55STA) 734 455 5600 **\$87,500**



GARDEN CITY Mechanics Dream Garage
3 car gar Ranch w/fin LL w/full bath Newer carpet w/windows roof & furnace 94 Copper plumbing updated elec glass block windows Great neighborhood Close to schools All appls stay See entry doors

(E81FLO) 248 349 5600 **\$154,900**



LIVONIA Castle Gardens Ranch
Very desirable location for 3 BR 1.5 BA large brick ranch w/full bsmt Updated kitchen C/A windows insulation siding carpet Hardwood floors in BRs & LR Full basement partially finished Move in cond

(E12LYN) 248 349-5600 **\$219,900**



DETROIT Updated Home
What a charming home w/garage & finished basement. Front room overlooking nice yard Once you see it you will fall in love

(E22ROS) 734 455 5600 **\$75,500**



FARMINGTON HILLS Sprawling Ranch
Huge lot w/finished over level w/walk out to beautifully landscaped yard 4 bedrooms 2.5 baths 2.5 car attached garage w/hot elect cty & phone Family room w fireplace g/k w/bu tns & appliances

(E32FAR) 734 455 5600 **\$229,900**



VAN BUREN Awesome Cape Cod
Elegance from the front door to the back yard! 3 bed room 2 full bath in brick ranch offers family room w/ fireplace bay window in DR Spacious MBR w/WIC 2 skylights Carpeted basement Paver patio for seasonal enjoyment Patio w/private fence Most appliances included

(E32WAL) 734-455 5600 **\$315,900**



NOVI Wonderful Ranch
3 BR 3.5 BA home on approx 1/2 acre wooded lot 1st floor laundry master suite New furnace HVAC water softener stove oven & dishwasher all in 2001 Awa d w/running Nov schools Home warranty included

(E06FOR) 248-349 5600 **\$279,000**



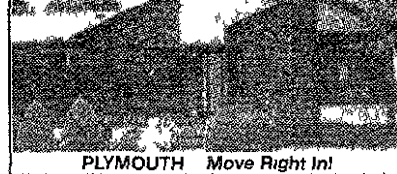
NORTHVILLE Perfect Condo
Beautiful 3 bedroom 1.5 bath 2 story w/neutral decor Large bedrooms partially finished basement & tons of storage Fenced patio Overlooks treed area 2 pools 3 lakes w/sandy beach & more

(E08LYR) 248 349 5600 **\$159,999**




MILFORD Better Quality Home
Updated brick ranch offers 3 bed rooms 3.5 baths 2 car attached garage finished basement family room w/brick fireplace newer glass block windows s/d ng gutters & much more

(E83MIL) 734 455 5600 **\$255,000**



PLYMOUTH Move Right In!
Updated 4 tv new cabinets in kitchen ceramic backsplash Hardwood floors new carpet in DR part finished w/5 bath master bath has access to master new windows furn C/A p vate deck & ca port Pool & clubhouse

(E56NEW) 734-455 5600 **\$127,500**



DEARBORN HGTS This One Won't Last!
3 bed room 2 full bath in brick ranch offers family room w/ fireplace bay window in DR Spacious MBR w/WIC 2 skylights Carpeted basement Paver patio for seasonal enjoyment Patio w/private fence Most appliances included

(E24JOH) 734 455 5600 **\$224,900**




ROMULUS Golf Course Home
18th fairway gorgeous colonial 2 story foyer open floor plan bra y & GR Hugo master w/h pool tub Bridge design Many updates Additional homes available in this sub

(E64GAT) 248 349 5600 **\$267,900**



GREEN OAK TWP Crooked Lake Condo
5+ common ty offers this 2 bed room 2 bath 1 story w/fo o d room ongle car garage large kitchen & extra cabinets w/roo f out buildings possible Crooked Lake

(E91NAX) 248 349-5600 **\$134,000**




PLYMOUTH Definitely A Show Piece!
Built in 1902 & has had many renovations from 2000 to present Updated inside & out GR w/hardwood floors & 9 ceiling DR w/tray ceiling kitchen w/white cabinets & ceramic tile + family room 3 bed rooms 2.5 baths

(E08ROE) 734 455 5600 **\$254,900**



PLYMOUTH Lake Pointe Colonial
A class 4 bedroom 2.5 bath family room w/frplc + finished rec rm all offered on an extra large lot w/mature trees 3 season room neutral decor kitchen has light oak cabinets How & short occupancy

(E51FIV) 734 455 5600 **\$287,500**



CANTON Canton Condo
Private facing courtyard 2 BR 1.5 BA Large LR w/frplc bay window in DR Spacious MBR w/WIC 2 skylights Carpeted basement Paver patio for seasonal enjoyment Patio w/private fence Most appliances included

(E98ARB) 248-349 5600 **\$129,900**



SOUTH LYON Golf Course Community
Custom home 4 spacious bedrooms 1st floor master & 2 story great room Kitchen offers cherry cabinets ceramic floor custom lighting Professionally decorated Transfer forces sale of this beauty A must see

(E02GRE) 248 349 5600 **\$429,900**



HARTLAND Pristine Inside & Out
3 BR 2 BA home w/kit w/oak cabinets & skylight LR w/elec start flrplc MBR w/WIC & full BA FR (option 3rd BR) w/surround sound wet bar & B 1 refrig Full cust cer BA on main flr laundry w/O to paver patio All appls stay

(E51NEW) 248-349 5600 **\$199,900**



DEARBORN HGTS Very Clean Brick Ranch
Very well cared for w/new windows & remodeled bath 03 updated kitchen w/Pergo floor painted T/O g ass block windows refinished hardwood floors large of w/newer landscaping & more

(E49POW) 734 455 5600 **\$146,900**



SOUTH LYON Pottery Barn Perfect!
A pleasure to show Ceramic foyer hardwood flooring in GR w/vaulted ceiling dining area w/doorwall to tiered deck Kitchen has oak cabinets newer DW effrg stove Howard floor 2 BRs master has access to main bath

(E78CHA) 734 455 5600 **\$234,900**



HOWELL Sprawling Ranch
Private setting on approximately 1 acre for this 3 bedroom 2.5 bath ranch Huge walkout lower level w/ large rec room & extra room Perfect for a home office or playroom First floor master and laundry

(E61BON) 248-349 5600 **\$249,900**



REDFORD Beautiful Brick Ranch
3 BR 1 BA + 2 LAV home w/many updates Family room w/ceramic floor & doorwall to patio Remodeled kitchen w/white tile Convenient 1/2 bath in lower level Great room sizes Updated electric Home protection plan inc

(E71HEM) 248 349-5600 **\$156,900**



NOVI Exceptional House & Lot
4 BR 2.5 BA cool ort gorgeous 2+ acre private lot in the city Great floor plan Country kitchen LR DR FR w/frplc lib FFL & huge MBR suite Updates windows HVAC heating & roof Out buildings possible

(E55NIN) 248 349-5600 **\$373,900**



GARDEN CITY Cape Cod On Large Lot
Mature trees surrounding this updated home Ceramic kitchen & baths Fireplace in living room hardwood floors 3 car dream garage

(E38JUH) 734 455 5600 **\$174,900**



CANTON Expectations And Beyond
Spotless 4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial w/2.5 car attached garage full basement great room w/replace ceramic master suite hardwood floors & prof landscaped kitchen appls & so much more

(E70STA) 734 455-5600 **\$405,000**




NOVI Location! Location!
Large Novi colonial offers large rooms High ceilings neutral decor red oak floors lush landscape and pine trees Full basement and 3 car garage for added storage

(E05BRO) 248 349 5600 **\$535,000**




PLYMOUTH Mint Condo
Prime 3 BR 2.5 BA end unit that backs to private woods Finished LL perfect for teenager or in law quarters Newer chef's kitchen appliances FFL Private deck area All newer carpet some hardwood floors

(E77HID) 248-349-5600 **\$379,900**



PLYMOUTH Updated Plymouth Charming
Absolute move in condition Spacious 4 BR home w/oak cabinets and Pergo floors Newer windows entry & patio doors Top rated Plymouth schools Walk to elementary school

(E53ORE) 248-349 5600 **\$197,500**




HURON TWP Country Colonial
4 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial sitting on approx 1 acre w/1st floor laundry 2 car attached garage - extra 1.5 car garage family room w/replace dining room living room & C/A

(E08VER) 734 455 5600 **\$287,900**



CANTON Sunflower Colonial
Original owner pet & smoke free freshly painted t/o Neutral decor LR w/bow window treatments newer carpet DR kit white cabinets breakfast area opens to FR w/nat brick flrplc & fin bsmt paver patio & newer roof & C/A

(E98BAR) 734 455 5600 **\$249,000**



FARMINGTON HILLS Why Pay Rent?
Excellent financing is available on this newer 2 BR 2.5 two story in Nantucket townhomes Includes all appliances Neutral decor close to pool exercise room & clubhouse Low month association fee too

(E60CAP) 248 349 5600 **\$132,500**



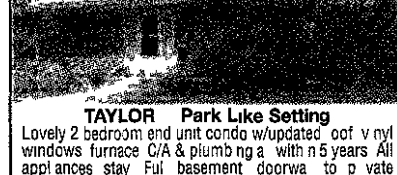
SOUTH LYON Captivating Golf Retreat
Fresh timeless haven offers light & comfort study 1st floor MBR Great low Granite & hardwood kitchen inviting screened porch deck spa media room work out room and full guest suite in LL w/Jack & Jill bath

(E41IND) 248 349 5600 **\$439,000**



NOVI Walled Lake Privileges
2 BR ranch remodeled in 2001 2 full baths newer vinyl windows roof furnace hot water heater carpeting stainless entry door Newer white kitchen cabinets Come take a look at the post bilites

(E59PEN) 248-349 5600 **\$207,000**



TAYLOR Park Like Setting
Lovely 2 bedroom end unit condo w/updated roof vinyl windows furnace C/A & plumbing a with n5 years All appliances stay Full basement doorwa to p vate patio Many more love y updates

(E19KIN) 734 455 5600 **\$132,708**



LODI TWP Country Club Living
Spacious 4 bedroom 4.5 bath cape cod sitting on the 5th green offers full basement 3 car attached garage large st w/cathed al ceiling & elegant bath + 1st floor master ste w/Jacuzzi & double shower

(E68HEA) 734 455-5600 **\$749,900**



MILFORD Country Living
Great mix of new and old Updated farmhouse w/kept HW floors & original woodwork Large shed/wood shop for hobby st Acres of trees flowers and room to play Home warranty provided

(E25CHA) 248-349-5600 **\$199,500**



REDFORD A Great Feeling Of Space
Redford's spacious beauty 4 BR quad Oak kitchen cabinets Formal DR Gas flrplc Newer roof C/A furn & HVAC Tons of storage Open floor plan Quiet street La ge lot X way friendly Ceramic foyer




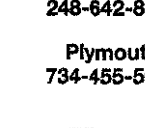
(E86LEN) 248 349 5600 **\$209,900**



PLYMOUTH Walk To Town
Fabulous location for this 2 bedroom 1 bath condo Neutral decor open floor plan doorwall to deck All appliances stay

(E52PIN) 248 349-5600 **\$127,500**

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BLOOMFIELD \$1,300,000
WOODED ACREAGE! Over 3 000 square foot ranch on 1 3 acres of wooded lakefront property Private road! (23L1645)

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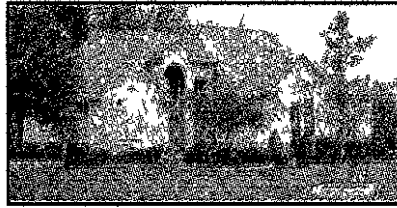
NORTHVILLE \$578,000
3900 SF RANCH ON 1 3 ACRES Extensive remodeling in 2000 01 Gorgeous kit w/bay wndw 2 5 car heated gar 1 5 car detached too New cement brk pavers indoor pool & jacuzzi game rm & more! (24047568)

734-591-9200



CANTON \$489,900
FAMILY LIVING AT IT S BEST Looking for that special place? Look no more This lovely colonial is turn key 4 BRs 3 BAs 2 lavs Form LR DR library Fabulous kit w/cherry cabs island & pantry (23L427)

734-455 7000



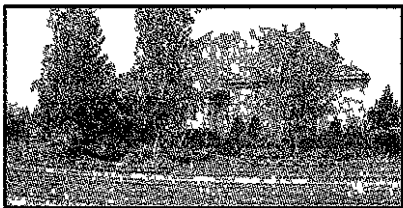
CANTON \$424,900
TOTALLY AWESOME FLOOR PLAN! Private location backs to woods! 4 BRs 2 5 BAs 1st flr mstr ste w/jetted tub sep shower & prvt drwy to brk pvr patio Huge GR winding staircase & more! (R2433)

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CANTON \$409,900
SELLER S HATE TO LEAVE! Highly sought after location 4 BRs 3 car side entry garage basement w/xtra block step up mstr ste w/ fashion bath formal DR 2 sty LR cozy FR w/FP (2083056)

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CANTON \$407,000
BEAUTIFUL CANTON RANCH! Location! Location! Glenary Village Sub and great lot! Former model home w/over 2238 SF finished basement & more! (24078767)

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NOVI \$400,000
SPACIOUS HOME IN DESIRABLE NEIGHBORHOOD Move right in 3 BRs 2 baths 2 lavs Freshly painted new carpet Updated kit w/hdwd flr Lrg rm sizes ample storage Oversized gar w/hot & cold water 349 6200 (24079403)

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LIVONIA \$352,195
NEW CONSTRUCTION WITH LIVONIA SCHOOLS This 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial w/ 2421 SF bsmr & 2 car att gar will be available in June Other homes available in Curtis Creek (24023356)

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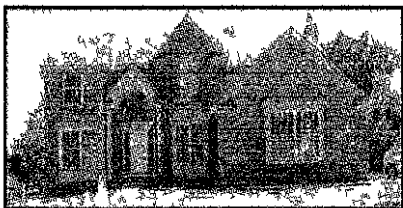
NOVI \$344,900
SPACIOUS AND OPEN FLOOR PLAN Formal LR & DR family size brkfst area & kit that opens to lg FR w/cathedral ceiling & frpl perfect lb w/ built in bookcases & great fin basement 349 6200 (82POR2)

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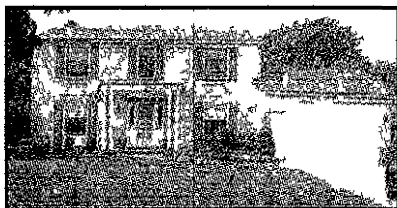
LIVONIA \$344,900
LIKE NEW SPACIOUS LIVONIA COLONIAL Excellent location condition & price! Beautifully updated thru out with fieldstone fireplace finished basement central air patio & more! Move right in (24063436)

248-348-6200



GREEN OAK \$325,532
BEAUTIFUL BUILDER S SPEC HOME 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial mstr ste w/whirlpool tub FR w/FP walkout bsmt 3 car gar gourmet kit 2nd flr Indry Sub has prvt park w/walking trails (24074268)

734-591-9200



LIVONIA \$294,900
THIS HOME SHOWS BEAUTIFULLY! 4 BRs 2 5 BAs up to date decor bow wndw in bkfst area overlooks lg deck Some hdwd flrs FR crown moldings in most rms vinyl replacement wndws and more! (24061482)

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CANTON \$284,900
BEAUTIFUL CONDO! Enjoy links of Pheasant Run! Lovely 1st floor master suite w/California closets & garden tub two way fpic between great rm & hearth room hdwd floors 349 6200 (24055738)

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LIVONIA \$257,900
WONDERFUL HOME! Beautifully appointed home w/hardwood flrs in nicely updated kit fin bsmr w/full bath 1st flr Indry newer roof c/a hwh & furnace Livonia schools! 349 6200 (24063614)

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WHITMORE LAKE \$238,950
LAKE VIEWS OF WHITMORE LAKE! Pleasant neutral open fl plan offers 3 BRs 2 1 BAs nice sized kit & DR! Full fin bsmr huge deck Situated on lg treed lot w/lake view No HO Assoc or dues 349 6200 (24053209)

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DEARBORN \$234,900
2000 SQUARE FOOT DEARBORN COLONIAL Remodeled in 2002 4 BRs 3 baths custom kitchen garage fin bsmr w/bar office Hardwood floors newer carpet C/A Near Levagood Pk Land contract terms (D172)

734-326-2000



FARMINGTON \$229,500
ANTIQUE LOVER S DELIGHT! 1844 Greek revival on beautiful private 1/3 of acre in historic downtown Farmington 3 BRs 1 5 baths orig wndws floors newer roof hwh dw and paint 349 6200 (24061482)

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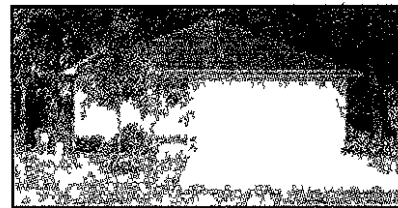
CLINTON TWP \$226,000
SPACIOUS CUSTOM COLONIAL Unique 2 000 SF 4 bedrooms 2 full baths Original hdwd flrs in DR & hallways w/updated contemporary kitchen Lg FR w/ built in surround sound & bookcases (K371)

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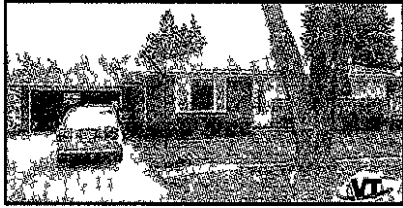
BELLEVILLE \$214,900
A MUST SEE! Tastefully decorated 3 bedroom 2 bath home loaded with upgrades Huge backyard with custom wood fence 2 5 car gar with storage Close to freeways school (23K42770)

734 455-7000



WESTLAND \$207,000
DETACHED BRICK CONDO 1300 SF in the heart of Westland Open floor plan loads of extras incl wooded lot bay wndws recessed lvs whirlpool tub 2 car att gar etc etc (24081496)

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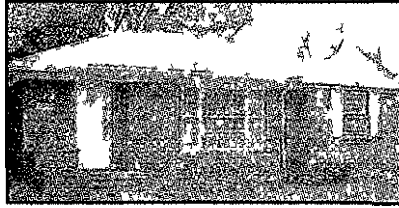
LIVONIA \$205,000
HUGE HUGE YARD! In the hub of Livonia sits this brk ranch w/FR \$5000 decorating allowance at closing Kit has oak cabs pergio fir updated bath Newer furn AC Much more! (24060886)

734-591-9200



PLYMOUTH \$201,900
A CHOICE LOCATION! Walking distance from downtown limited traffic sub 1236 SF 3 BRs 1 5 BAs low maintenance in & out Brk FP in FR 2 car gar newer wndws turn HWH & more! (24081177)

734-591 9200



DEARBORN \$199,900
WELCOME HOME! A show stopper! All brick custom bit ranch corner lot 2 tpic s Florida rm Fin bsmr Bit in range Well maintained beautifully decorated This is a lot! (23R25306)

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WESTLAND \$183,900
CURTIS WOODS COLONIAL Beautifully updated 3 BR 1 1/2 bath home w/1 400 SF New oak kitchen FR w/FP & new doorwall to patio New siding roof gutters electric copper plumbing (S127)

734-326 2000



WESTLAND \$173,900
DESIRABLE SURRY HGTS SUB Beautifully maintained home w/many updates New Florida rm 2003 roofing siding cement & windows Kitchen leads to FR w/gas log fireplace 2 car gar (S142)

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LIVONIA \$169,900
UPDATED RANCH! 3 bedroom brk ranch w/ 2 5 car gar Updated kit 02 furnace 00 new s/c 03 roof tear off 03 windows replaced & refin hdwd flrs 349 6200 (24059765)

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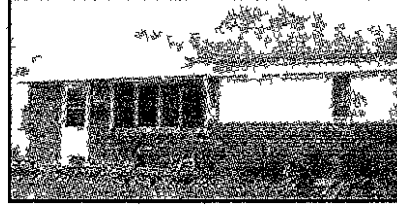
GARDEN CITY \$164,900
WOW! NEW CONSTRUCTION Great established neighborhood matured trees & all the comforts you want in an area Great floor plan 1st flr Indry mstr w/full bath open eat in kitchen (24061122)

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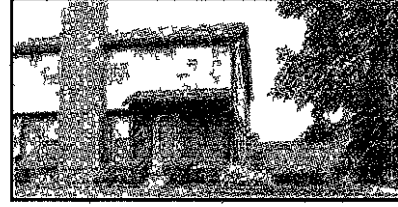
WESTLAND \$164,900
DESIRABLE RANCH CONDO & AIRY Move right in neutral color throughout 2 BRs 2 BAs 1st flr Indry rm all appl stay newer Pergo fir in kit & entry area Seller motivated Quick occupancy 348 6430 (24052798)

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WESTLAND \$164,900
FANTASTIC RANCH located near Hines Park Beautiful hardwood floors throughout Updated kitchen w/skyight Newer AC HWH furnace (23A33361)

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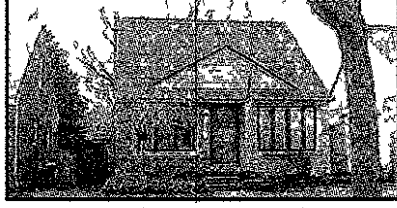
NORTHVILLE \$162,900
CLASSIC COUNTRY PLACE CONDO, GREAT AREA 2 BRs 2 5 baths neutral decor freshly painted nice enclosed patio w/perennials 1 car detached garage Formal DR & nook Newer windows & water heater 349 6200 (24068314)

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CANTON \$162,000
THE NICEST UNIT IN THE COMPLEX! Featuring xtra lg deck huge mstr bath w/Jack & Jill sinks full bsmt gas fpic loads of upgrades fresh neutral paint 1st flr Indry & so much more! (24068462)

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DEARBORN \$152,500
BUNGALOW Cozy 3 bedroom 2 full bath bungalow painted with sunshine! Hdwd flrs under carpeting huge mstr w/lots of storage & skylight Many newer features! 349 6200 (24078298)

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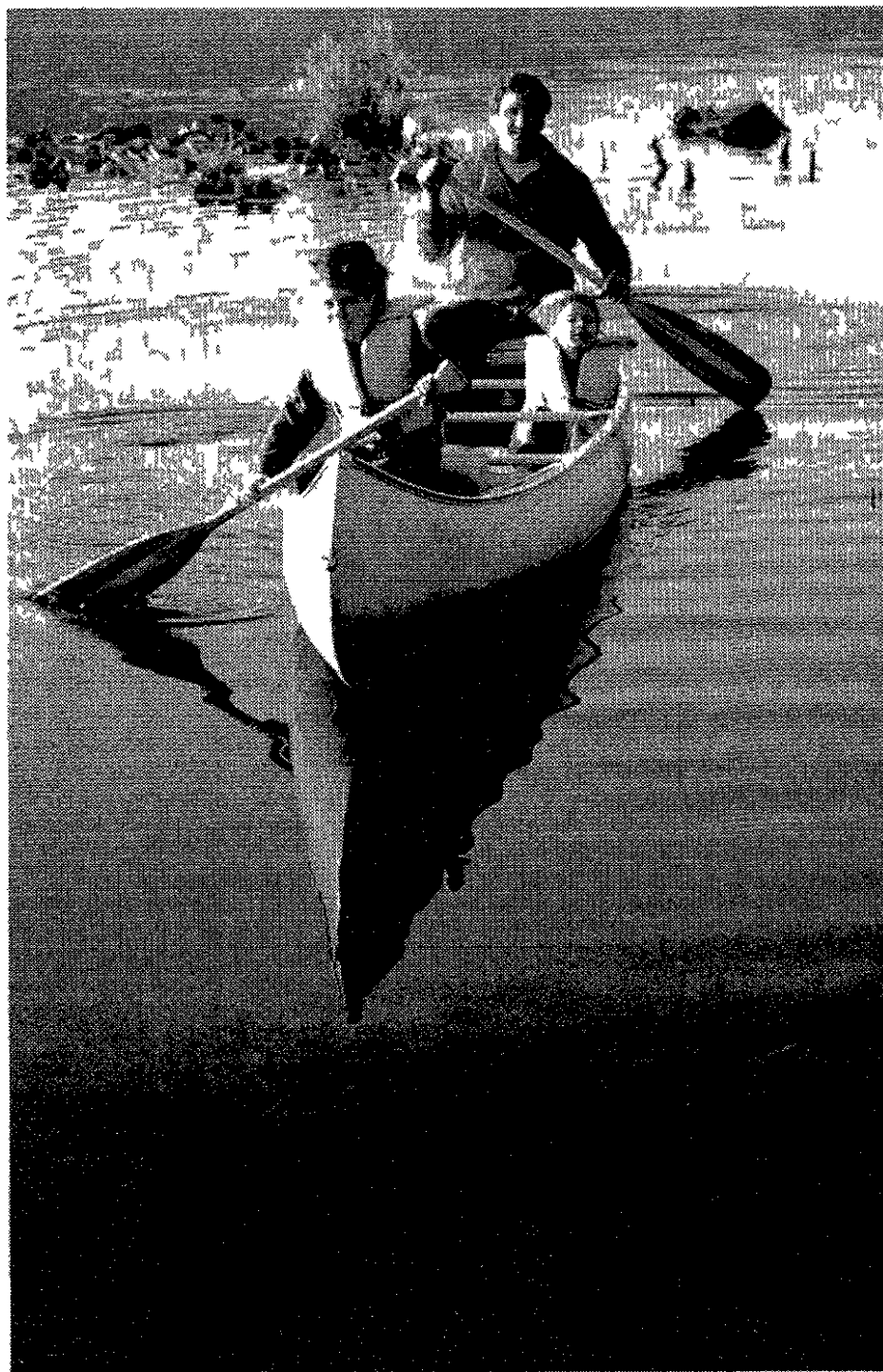
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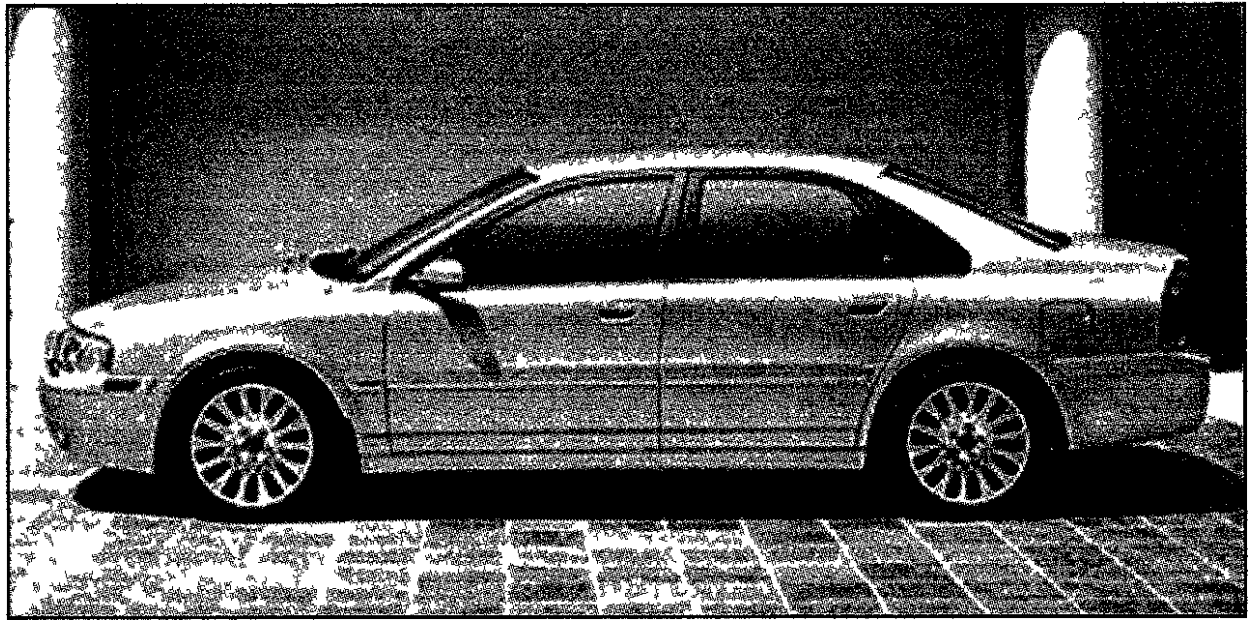
If you want to understand the design evolution that you see in Volvo's vehicles these days, there's no better man than Peter Horbury to explain it. Ford's current executive director for design for the Americas won that assignment because of the huge win that he constructed for Volvo during the last several years by overhauling its longstanding chock-a-block design scheme.

Volvo's design paradigm until recently came straight out of the Swedish emphasis on functionality that also is plainly evident in their furniture designs. But Volvo's new design theme clearly builds on the brand's heritage and yet gives consumers something refreshingly different than in days past, and that's because of Horbury's conscious blending of both factors.

"We knew we didn't want to do a retro design and repeat history," Horbury says. "We just wanted to remind people. So lots of the design cues in modern Volvos are actually from the Forties and Fifties. We wanted a subconscious recognition of Volvo rather than an obvious recognition. We didn't want to repeat Volvo's square box but to go deeper into the past, where the first Volvos had certain tight radiuses. Today's Volvos are based on simplicity and purity of form, but excel - a sculpted form onto which details are drawn, very much like Swedish furniture."

As perhaps the most sophisticated manifestation of Horbury's inspiration, the S80 sedan well illustrates - and executes - this attractive new look for Volvo. When this car debuted in 1998, it left behind the straight edges of the past and replaced them with soft, flowing lines, and that design has aged well over the last six years. Tightly curved ridges ride high on the sides of the car for nearly the complete length of the vehicle - one of those tight radiuses in Horbury's mind.

The latest version upgrades this design only slightly, including the reshaping of the grill, foglights and air dam along with smaller side mirrors and



The Volvo S80's ride is smooth and well in touch with the road.

chrome accents on the door handles and window frames. Now, too, the trunk lid is accented with chrome, and bumper and taillights are reshaped. The polish accentuates what is sure to prove a classic design in the long run.

Along with the design revolution, the S80 also provided Volvo's push for the first time into what can be considered the near-luxury segment. S80 nicely equipped retails for a suggested price of \$42,500. But I was pleasantly surprised to determine that the price seems worth it.

Powered by a 2.5-liter, five-cylinder, 208-horsepower turbocharged engine and a five-speed automatic transmission, S80 was pleasingly strong off the mark in my test drive, with no noticeable lag from the turbo. It also did well in various maneuvers on streets and freeways, and I came away liking the powertrain's performance very much. Not only that, but at 20 miles per gallon in the city and 27 on the highway, S80 delivers more than reasonable fuel performance for the segment.

Too, the car's ride - at least in the all-wheel-drive version that I rode - was very smooth and yet well in touch with the road. S80's suspension swallowed up potholes nicely. The car proved sure-footed and fairly agile for its size. There was very little engine or wind noise.

Overall, too, I was pleased with the interior, which provides ample room both in front and back and nicely executed leather upholstery. There's also good head room and under-seat foot space to boot and no requrd strain entering and exiting the vehicle.

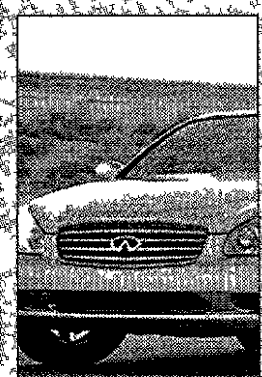
Especially impressive is the trunk. The opening isn't that large, though the lid opens more than 90 degrees. But the floor is long and wide, and the space handles much more stuff than I'd imagined. At one point during my test drive I had a bag of golf clubs, a plump duffle bag, two boxes of ready-to-assemble shelves and about 15 bags of groceries - with a tad of room to spare.

I would pick a few nits on the inside of S80, however. There was no compass reading, that I could see, and no navigation system like the ones that consumers are getting used to seeing in other cars in the segment. The beverage holders are skippy for a car that size. And perhaps most disappointing of all for a car put out by the safety-minded folks at Volvo, there was no warning about fastening your seat belts either before or after departure - at least, none that blasted at me in this vehicle.

Still, overall, S80 came across as a highly likeable vehicle in a soon-to-be classic package.

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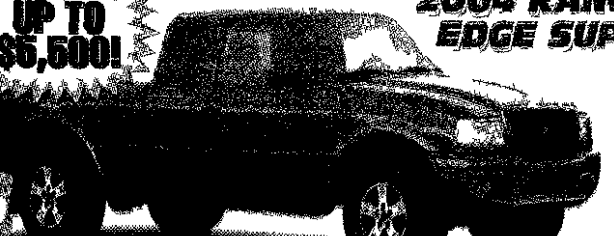
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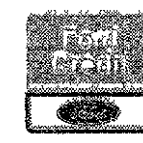
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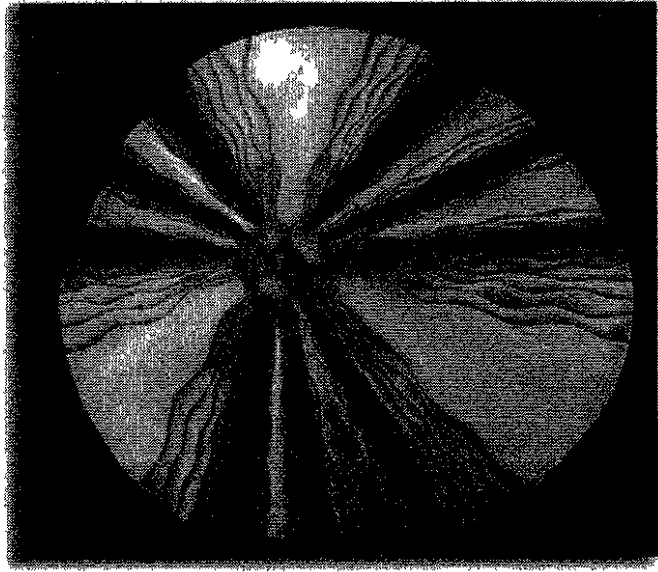
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History, architecture and music will mingle in the summer air in Bloomfield Hills

Cranbrook is hosting two outdoor classical concerts beside two local architectural treasures—the Saarinen House on its campus and Frank Lloyd Wright's Smith House located nearby

The first concert, 7-9 p.m. Friday at the Saarinen House, features a selection of pieces from baroque to the 21st century by the Detroit ensemble Strings Unlimited

"The audience will be seated in the actual garden that the Saarinens used," said Elana Ivanova, curator of education at Cranbrook Art Museum and the event's organizer. "It's enclosed by walls, and it was their private garden."

Likewise, the Smith House concert, which is set for Friday, Aug. 27, provides the audience with an outdoor setting in view of the famous architecture Wright designed the home in 1948 for two local school teachers, Sara and Melvyn Maxwell Smith

The concert, performed by Forgotten Treasure Ensemble, features rarely performed pieces for strings and piano by late 19th and early 20th century French composers. And the house's original piano—Wright often incorporated the instrument into house designs because he wanted people to entertain in the home—will be used for the performance, said Ivanova.

Shuttles from Cranbrook will transport concert-goers to the Smith House, which is on Lone Pine in Bloomfield Hills.

TOURS

Informal self-guided tours of both houses are available prior to the concerts. "It won't be our full-scale tour, but more of an open house with docents who will answer questions and give explanations," said Ivanova.

"So we hope people will come early to see the homes. Both are very, very beautiful and thoughtful in design."

The Smith House, which is owned by the family's foundation, is rarely open for tours.

ARCHITECTURE & MUSIC

What: Cranbrook presents two evening events featuring two historic houses and classical music

When: 7-9 p.m. Friday, July 23 (Saarinen House with Strings Unlimited) and Friday, Aug. 27 (Frank Lloyd Wright's Smith House with Forgotten Treasure Ensemble), shuttle transportation required to Smith House; departs from art museum at 5:45 p.m., 6:15 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

Where: Cranbrook Educational Community, 39221 Woodward Ave., Bloomfield Hills

Tickets: Saarinen House event, \$15; Smith House event, \$25 with \$5 discount for members; call (248) 645-3314 or visit www.cranbrookart.edu

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"The idea for the concerts was really suggested by the history of both houses," added Ivanova. "The Saarinens had social events in their home, and they loved music. Music was something that was very much a part of their life."

Similarly, the Smiths regularly held intimate concerts with family and close friends centered around the home's piano, said Ivanova, adding, "It can almost be envisioned as concerts given by the Saarinens and the Smiths to their guests."

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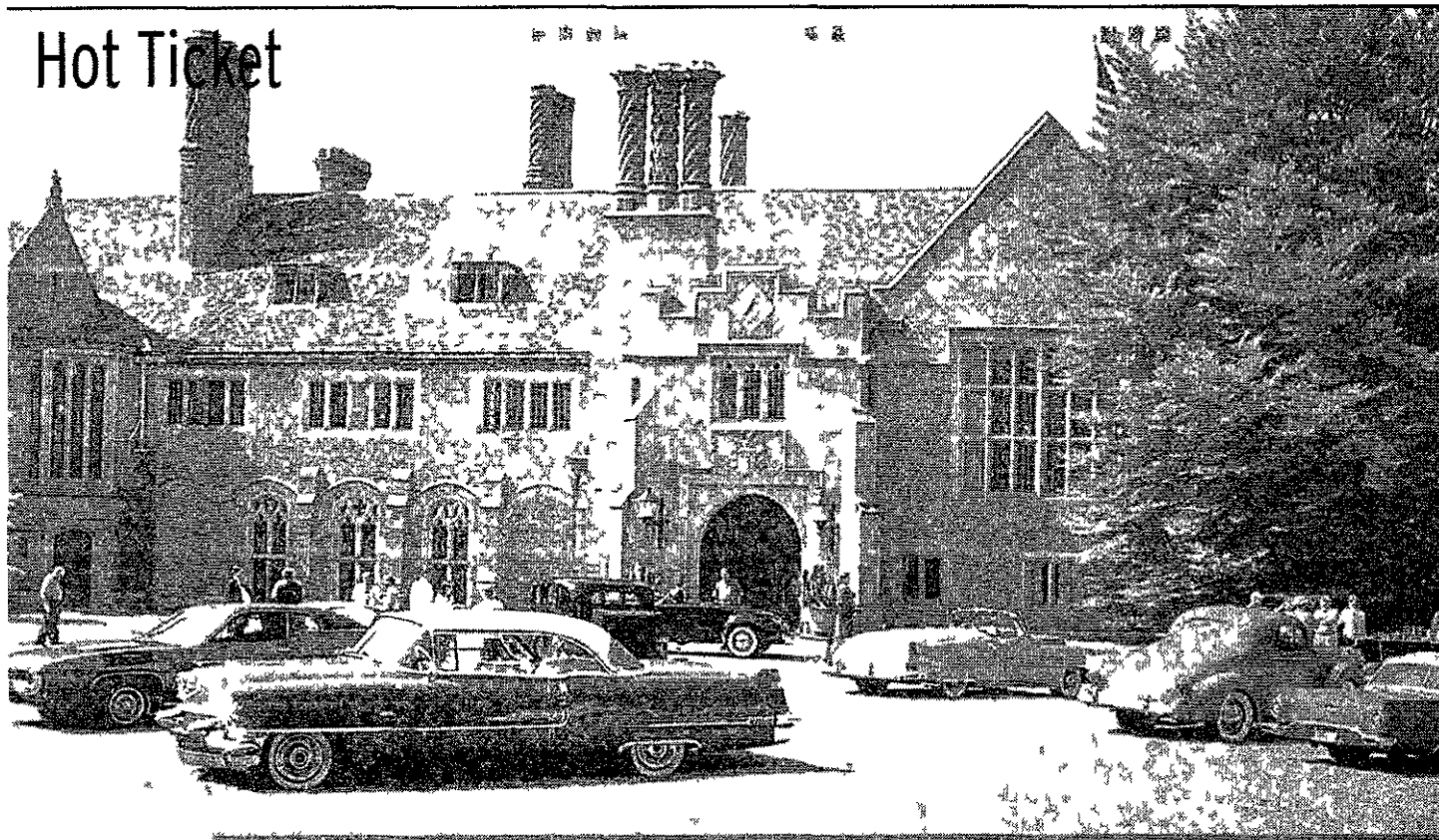
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Driven by Class

BY JENNA KLOECKNER
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One of the world's top three most prestigious car shows expands this year to a week-long celebration. Adding art, fashion and some Italian influence to its usual one-day car show, the 26th annual Concours d'Elegance at Meadow Brook has become Meadow Brook Concours week and takes place Sunday-Sunday, July 25-Aug. 1.

"We expanded the event to improve it," said Tim Hartge, chairman of communications for Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance. "Events need to grow in stature and appeal over time," he said.

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■ Fox Theatre Premiere 6:10 p.m., a Hollywood style gala at Fox Theatre, 2211 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Advance reservations required.

Wednesday, July 28

■ Concorso d'Italia Reception 6:11 p.m. reception celebrating Italian cars at Cauley Ferrari, 7070 Orchard Lake Road in West Bloomfield

Friday, July 30

■ RM Classic Car Auction Preview 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. view classic and historic cars and mingle with current and future owners at the Shotwell Gustafson Pavilion at Meadow Brook Hall (event also takes place 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 31)

■ Mode du Concours Fashion Show Luncheon 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. enjoy latest designs by Saks Fifth Avenue and designer Monique Lhuillier at Meadow Brook Hall. Reserve tickets by July 23. \$120 Friend, \$170 Patron, \$200 Benefactor.

■ Automotive Art Exhibition & Reception 6:30 p.m. view automotive artwork at Walter P. Chrysler Museum, Daimler Chrysler Headquarters campus, corner of Featherstone and Squirrel in Auburn Hills. Tickets available in advance or at the door.

Saturday, July 31

■ Concorso d'Italia 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., view Italian automobiles at Meadow Brook Hall. Tickets available in advance or at the gate.

■ RM Auctions Inc. Classic Motor Car Auction 1-5 p.m. watch registered bidders and consignors buy and sell classic automobiles at the Shotwell Gustafson Pavilion at Meadow Brook Hall.

■ Strolling Dinner and Art Auction 6:11 p.m. black tie reception, dinner, entertainment and art auction at Meadow Brook Hall.

Sunday, August 1

■ 26th Annual Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. outdoor exhibition of 280 automobiles at Meadow Brook Hall. \$20 in advance, \$25 at gate. 12 and under are free.

For ticket and event information: Call (248) 269-7672 or visit www.meadowbrookconcours.org

For more Concours d'Elegance events, see the Get Out! calendar.

CONCOURS

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automobiles with cars like a 1929 Duesenberg custom-built for famous Broadway producer Billy Rose, Concours d'Elegance features a display of 280 rare and unusual cars from the around the globe

All the cars will be displayed and judged 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 1, on the grounds of Meadow Brook Hall in Rochester Hills

Highlighted at the event is a display of 52 custom-built Golden Age automobiles,

which are top of the line automobiles custom-designed for wealthy clientele between 1927-1942, said Ed Lucas, master of ceremonies for Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance

"It's the most significant gathering of custom-built cars from the Golden Age that have ever been brought together," said Don Summer, founder and vice chairman of Meadow Brook Concours d'Elegance "It's a once-in-a-lifetime presentation of them"

ITALIAN DESIGN

Che c'e di nuovo?

'The art portion of Concours is not a sideshow. It's very significant and adds a nice diversity to Concours.'

Tom Hale
Meadow Brook art chairman

What's new you ask? Concorso d'Italia has been added this year to Meadow Brook's Concours d'Elegance week.

Featuring over 100 rare Italian automobiles from 1908 to today, Concorso d'Italia takes place 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 31, at Meadow Brook Hall

"It's very rare in one spot to see anything like this," said Concorso d'Italia co-founder Mike Brady

"Italian cars are one group of cars that almost all people have a liking for," he said "The reason is that the styling of the cars is very dramatic, contemporary and timeless"

People will see cars they've never seen before, said another Concorso d'Italia co-founder, Randy Cox

Some of the Bizzarrinis — cars designed by Italian automobile designer Giotto Bizzarrini — have never been seen in the United States, he added.

At the show, popular Italian marques will be displayed, including Ferrari, Maserati, Lamborghini and Alfa Romeo

AUTOMOTIVE ART

While car collectors show their passion for automobiles by preserving old classics, artists portray it through their art work

It's called automotive art and it will be celebrated at two events during Concours d'Elegance week

Visitors can enjoy automotive art from 6-8:30 p.m. Friday at an Automotive Art Exhibition & Reception at the Walter P. Chrysler Museum, and from 6-11 p.m. Saturday at a Strolling Dinner and Art Auction at Meadow Brook Hall

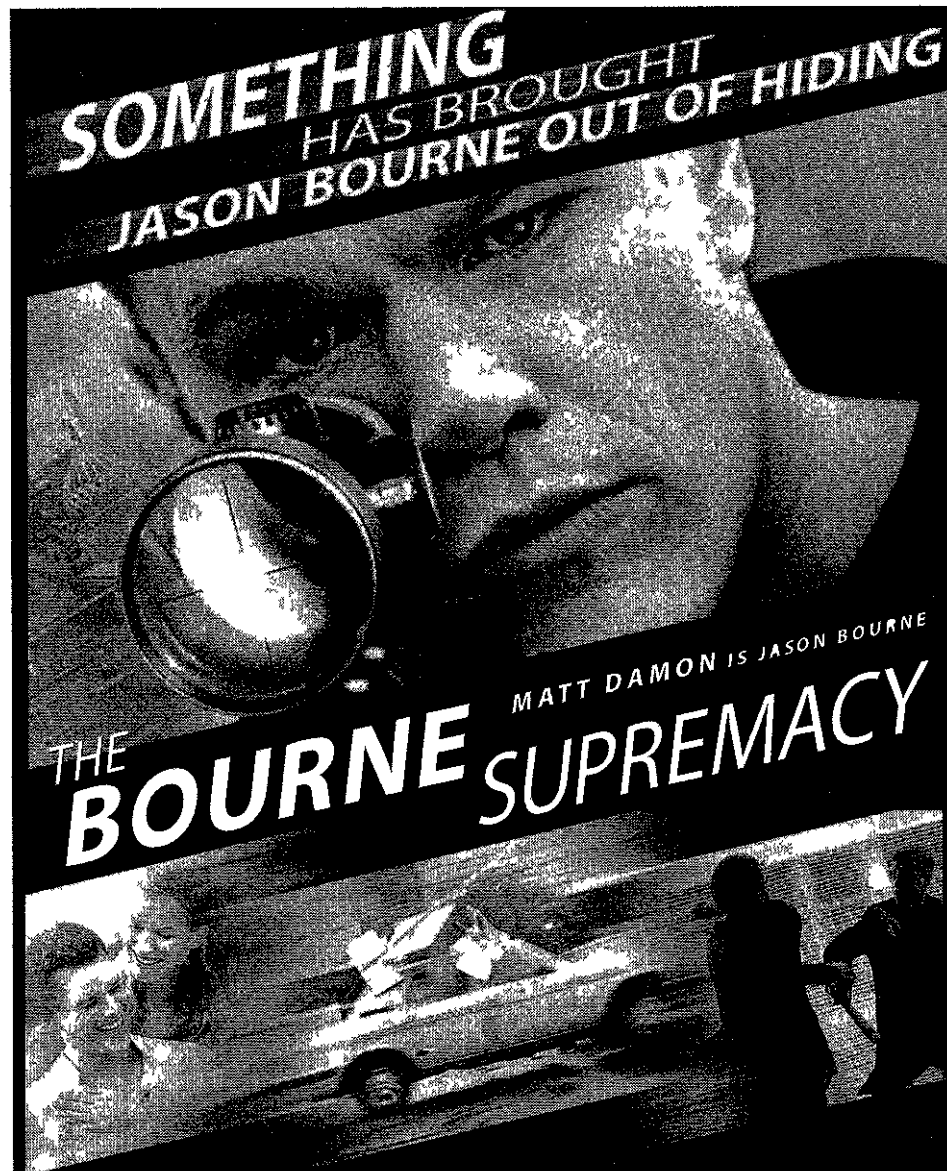
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At the Friday exhibition, 18 selected artists from four countries — Canada, France, England and the United States — will display their automotive art, which will be judged by a panel of judges. Nine artists will receive cash awards

Also displaying art work are 84-year-old famed catalog artist Art Fitzpatrick — "the finest catalog artist in the world and a living legend in design and advertising," Hale said — and this year's original poster art creator, Stanley Rose

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BY JENNA KLOECKNER
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"It's a fantastic extravaganza for kids," said Gyp Hoppe, director and co-creator for *Dora the Explorer Live!* "It's like Broadway for kids"

The live show is based on the No. 1-rated Nickelodeon preschool show, *Dora the Explorer*, about an adventurous 7-year-old Latina named Dora who takes journeys through an imaginative, tropical world of jungles, beaches and rainforests

Put to music with a "Latin feel," it features actress Christina Bianco as Dora, and Dora's friends Boots, Map, Backpack, Benny, Tico and Swiper in forms of puppetry

It's a high-quality show, Hoppe said, with beautiful sets, great music and professional singers and dancers

Hoppe said Bianco is an incredible, top-notch singer

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"Her and the part of Dora were tailor-made for each other," he said

Like the television show, the live show is interactive, too, engaging the audience in Dora's exciting adventures

Hoppe said as Dora searches for the City of Lost Toys to find her favorite toy, a teddy bear, she will often ask the audi-

ence for help

She might ask the audience, "Which way should I go?"

Or if the audience sees Swiper, the fox who always tries to steal Dora's things, they better shout "Swiper!" and let Dora know Otherwise, he might beat her to the City of Lost Toys

In both the TV and live shows, Spanish-speaking Dora teaches her

audience a few Spanish words and phrases, which is her way of telling the audience how her language works, Hoppe said.

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Detroit Film Theatre pushes docs to the forefront

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

The popularity of films like Michael Moore's *Fahrenheit 9/11* has caused mainstream movie-goers to sit up and take notice of the documentary genre.

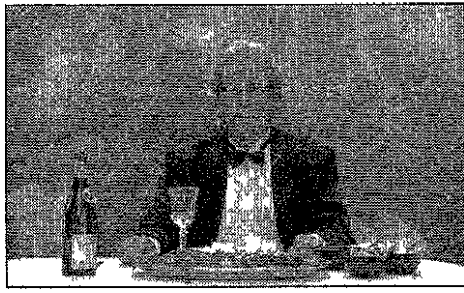
Rightly so. Docs have blossomed in the last several years largely due to the availability of inexpensive film technology — making truly independent movie-making more viable.

So it's not surprising the Detroit Film Theatre's summer/fall 2004 season, which runs through Nov. 1 with shows Friday-Monday, strongly represents the genre.

"Usually we have more docs than multiplex movie houses, but we have come into a time when there are limitless possibilities with documentaries," said Elliot Wilhelm, DFT director. "So it turns out there are a lot of docs in our season."

What Wilhelm means is some of the best movies out right now — at least in his opinion — are documentaries. Wilhelm — who scours film festivals worldwide each year in search of the best movies he can find — chases art, not trends.

Nonetheless, he's pleased at the mainstream interest in documentaries.



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Jorgen Leth in the Danish documentary 'The Five Obstructions,' a movie about outrageous movie-making playing Sept. 24-26 at Detroit Film Theatre.

"People are discovering that cinema has the power to tell us stories regardless of whether the story is real or is not real."

STORIES TO TELL

Tarnation, a doc showing Oct. 15-17 at DFT, not only is a powerful story but also a striking example of technology's impact on filmmaking. An intimate look at a boy's upbringing in a dysfunctional Texas family, the documentary was assembled on director Jonathan Caouette's iMac computer at a cost of \$218 and change.

At age 11, Caouette began filming his life much like a diary keeper. In his 30s, after years of collecting footage, he added home movies and produced this heartbreaking but ultimately uplifting film.

The Five Obstructions, a Danish documentary running Sept. 24-26, made Wilhelm's list of season favorites. It's a film about movie-making, in particular one director's attempt to remake one of his films. But there's a catch. Noted Danish filmmaker Lars Von Trier (*Breaking the Waves*) challenges the director — his own mentor, Jorgen Leth — to do so under increasingly restrictive and absurd conditions.

"It's not just about movie-making, but it's about what all of us do every day at work," said Wilhelm. "Von Trier keeps saying, 'Do it this way or do that instead.' He is 'the man,' and the question is how do you maintain your integrity and follow instructions but not throw in your cards?"

This So-Called Disaster, showing Aug. 9, documents a different artistic process as it unfolds — and explodes. The film watches as playwright Sam Shepard mounts a production of his own piece starring Nick Nolte and Sean Penn. Apparently, the stage conflict pales in comparison to what happens in real life.

For music fans, there are three docs worth checking out. *Tom Dowd and The Language of Music*, slated Aug. 16, profiles the Atlantic Records producer, a scientist who worked on the atomic bomb-making Manhattan Project. *Lightning in a Bottle*, which runs Oct. 29-31, is a front-row seat at an unprecedented event, the 2003 "Tribute to the Blues" concert at Radio City Music Hall. *Dig*, Oct. 8-10, is a rock doc chronicling the ascent and destructive descent of Anton Newcombe, leader of the band The Brian Jonestown Massacre.

Don't like docs? DFT represents the remaining genres well, from classics like Ingmar Bergman's *Fanny and Alexander*, slated Nov. 1, to the wacky film stylings of Canadian director Guy Maddin in *Cowards Bend the Knee*, showing Oct. 18. Somewhere in between is another of Wilhelm's picks, *Red Lights*, a Hitchcock-like thriller running Sept. 10-12.

"I usually have nothing but contempt for Hitchcock imitations, but this takes the wit and intelligence of the films," Wilhelm said, adding, "It's one of the best films I've seen in years."

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Motown lowdown

It's been more than 40 years since Berry Gordy started the Motown record label. And many of label's biggest stars — and most enduring legends — remain giants in the entertainment landscape.

Smokey Robinson still a force on stage and in the kitchen

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

The memories Smokey Robinson has of his younger years in Detroit are a mix of sweet and sour.

All of them bring him to where he is today: a man who's appreciative of his prosperity and wants to help inner-city youth who might need him.

He's doing so with food.

"A few years ago I was standing in (Motown record label founder) Berry Gordy's old apartment remembering the days when all I could afford was a bowl of chili," Robinson said. "Then, when I was recording *Shop Around* or *Second that Emotion*, I could've never dreamed how fortunate I would be. Life has been such a wonderful thing."

Today the Motown legend is touring, motivating and cooking. He's currently touring the West Coast to sing old hits and also songs from his new gospel album, *Food for the Spirit*. He's speaking to inner-city kids to offer encouragement, and he's also busy promoting his new frozen Cajun food line, Smokey Robinson's Foods, that's expected to be in Michigan later this year.

Portions of the proceeds from his food line will go toward inner-city youth programs.

"Good food can be costly," Robinson said. "I wanted delicious New Orleans cuisine in a healthy version ... priced in a way that everyone can afford it. Healthy food shouldn't just be for the wealthy."

In Chicago and the West Coast, the foods are selling better than he expected. And his tours are successful too.

When Robinson performs, people still come.

"Smokey and other greats like the Four Tops are still touring like they were when they were younger and they're still bringing down the house," said Motown Historical Museum Deputy Director Robin Terry. "Motown is still popular worldwide."



Smokey Robinson has both a new CD, *Food for the Spirit*, and a new frozen food line.

PLEASE SEE **SMOKEY**, E14

Stars pay tribute to the Four Tops

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Singing with Aretha Franklin, Mary Wilson and Sam Moore is like spending an evening with dear friends, said Duke Fakir of the Four Tops.

The Tops, James Carter, The Temptations Review featuring Dennis Edwards, Franklin, Wilson and Moore will perform together during a special concert on Wednesday, July 28, at the Detroit Opera House.

The concert celebrates the Four Tops' 50th anniversary. It will be filmed and aired nationwide on the Omni Broadcasting Network later this year.

"I've always wanted a television special," Fakir said. "I thought an anniversary show was the perfect opportunity for it."

The Four Tops chose Detroit for the concert because it's still their home.

"We could've gotten even more stars to sing if we would've moved it to L.A., but we thought it was important to stay here," Fakir said. "And Detroiters can have a chance to watch the process of a taping."

Fakir said he expects other Motown guests to attend that evening, but couldn't give further details at press time.

"We all still talk the former Miracles, Martha Reeves,



The Four Tops are celebrating their 50th Anniversary with a concert at the Detroit Opera House.

FOUR TOPS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Performing: The Four Tops, Aretha Franklin, Mary Wilson, New Edition or Boyz II Men, Sam Moore, James Carter, the Temptations Review featuring Dennis Edwards and others.

When: 8 p.m. Wednesday, July 28

Where: The Detroit Opera House, 1526 Broadway, Detroit

Tickets: \$160 (includes a post-concert reception), tickets without reception \$110, \$80 and \$37.50, available at the Detroit Opera House Box Office, (313) 237-SING or Ticketmaster, (248) 645-6666.

Watch it: The concert will be televised on the Omni Broadcasting Network this fall.

Smokey, the Supremes and Stevie (Wonder), well he's just as crazy as he was when he was a prankster-pulling kid in Detroit," Fakir said. "The only one we don't really see is Diana (Ross). I'm hoping to see a lot of friends that night."

FRIENDS FOR LIFE

The bond between many Motown musicians is lifelong.

They played together as children, and enjoyed fame together as young adults. Today they play golf and have dinner together, Fakir said.

"The Four Tops were in our neighborhood," Smokey Robinson said. "When you're kids, you have group battles and stuff like that. And whenever the Four Tops showed up,

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Table hopping



French tv

Belgian eats spotlighted in Royal Oak

BY ELEANOR HEALD
CORRESPONDENT

In tune with Royal Oak's burgeoning restaurant scene with many eateries focusing on other than American fare, Bastone has found a niche with Belgian and French dishes. Though if you've been to Brussels, Belgium, Bastone (named after a Belgian city) does not have the feel of a classic rollicking brasserie, where hungry natives scarf down mammoth bowls of moules (mussels) accompanied by frites (fries).

Classic, small white tiles cover part of the floor. But booths liked by Americans, are generally not found in Belgian or French brasseries. Wide open and loud is preferred. However, when 160 seats at the bar, booths, traditional tables and picnic-style seating are going full tilt, Bastone gets loud.

General Manager Rob Bennett explained that Bastone was developed by principal partner John Carlson and is operated by Schelde Enterprises, a Grand Rapids-based company that also operates Bonfire Bistro in Northville, Grizzly Peak Brewing Company in Ann Arbor

and Bastone's sister eatery Cafe Habana, a hip Cuban-style cantina located next door to Bastone.

UNIQUE ITEMS

Menu items were designed by Schelde Enterprises Regional Chef Maggie Long and are prepared by Culinary Institute of America grad Mindy Slane, formerly at Grizzly Peak.

The hors d'oeuvre Brandade (brahn-DAHD) de Morue hails from Provence, France. Authentically, it's a puree of salt cod, olive oil, garlic, milk and cream, served warm on baguette slices. As such, Bastone's version is reasonably authentic. A seasonal selection of fresh oysters is listed, the menu indicates with a 'mignonette' sauce, an obvious misspelling of mignonette.

An authentic Salad Nicoise and a thin-crust Tarte Pissaladiere (think pizza) make a nice pairing as does the Duck Ham Tarte with housemade duck ham.

Among main dish items, the classic Belgian Seafood Waterzooi (VAH-tuhr-zoh ee) a fish stew made with lobster, clams, monkfish, mussels and salmon is a must try. If not that, then the Coq au Vin with wild mushrooms in a cabernet reduction sauce.

To conclude with authenticity, order the Almond Pithivier (pee tee VYAY) for dessert.

A traditional Belgian dish called Seafood Waterzooi is a combination of Mussels, Manilla Clams, Salmon, Lobster, Cod and New Potatoes in a shell fish broth cream sauce.

BASTONE

Where: 419 S Main St. (at Fifth), Royal Oak (248) 544-6250.

Open: 11 a.m. to midnight Monday-Saturday noon to midnight, Sunday

Food style: Belgian- and French-inspired dishes and beers handcrafted on-site

Cost: Lunch items average \$7-\$9, Dinner \$7-\$22. Beers are \$4 for pint and \$13 for a pitcher, kid's American fare menu \$4-\$5.

Reservations: Accepted only for parties of five or more.

Wists

The French cake, named after the French town of Pithiviers, is traditionally made with almond cream layered between two puff pastry rounds. The Bastone version is served with vanilla ice cream and blueberry sauce.

If you're a purist, speak French or are in the know about categories on a French-style menu, at Bastone you'll find misspellings of menu items, lack of pluralization, incorrect or missing accents and main courses referenced as entrees rather than les plats principaux, a tad distracting. On a French-style menu, entrees are first course. OK, it's the U.S., but for the sake of authenticity, Bastone could ramp it up here.

EXTRAS

Brewer Sean Brennan, formerly an assistant brewer at Grizzly Peak, uses authentic Belgian malt and yeast for five core brewed-on-premise beers and a seasonal selection. Hop heads enjoy the Belgian Pale with a velvety malt character.

Cinq, translated as the number five in French and signifying Bastone's five investors, is a lower-level bar-lounge serving appetizers and open until 2 a.m.

Except for two Port wines, all wine selections are French and range in price from \$5-\$7 by the glass and \$20-\$79 by the bottle.



PHOTOS BY LYNNE GARCIA | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Corporate Chef Maggie Long from Bastone presents Seafood Waterzooi.

In a former life, the corner of Main and Fifth in Royal Oak, where Bastone is located, was Nevada Bob's golf shop. Once Vinoteca, a new concept in food and wine from the Jonna family, opens next door to Bastone at the end of the summer, this corner will have undergone the ultimate morph.

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Drinkology

DANZKA vodkas stand up as the summer hit

BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
CORRESPONDENTS

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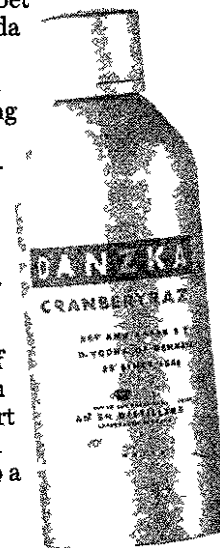
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City bites


City Bites lists special dinners/promotions, menu changes, restaurant renovations, promotions and other news. To get listed, send fax or e-mail information to Keely Kaleski, Assistant Managing Editor, Features Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009, fax (248) 644-1314 or e-mail kkaleski@oe.homecomm.net

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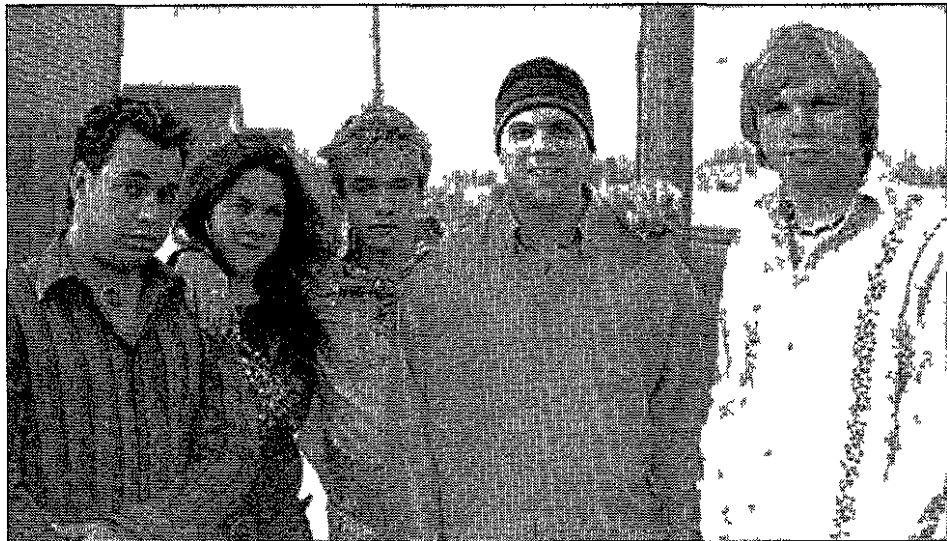
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Blind Shame is a high-energy band that describes itself as 'melodic and modern Detroit rock'

Blind Shame just wants to have fun

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Blind Shame is a Detroit rock band, but you'd never know it from its sound

And that's a good thing

There's no mimicking of Detroit's great garage sounds. Instead this original, high-energy band describes itself as "melodic and modern Detroit rock"

"It's ear candy with lots of acoustic and electric together," said Blind Shame's guitarist, Jay Arnold of Royal Oak. "We're playing the music that we've always wanted to hear"

The band that's been together for several years mixes ear-blowing leads with genuine enthusiasm to create upbeat music

Blind Shame performs Friday, July 30, at the New Dodge in Hamtramck. It's a friendly, energetic venue that has quickly become a favorite place for local bands

The band has been going non-stop over the past two years, recording a CD and playing in Detroit and in college towns throughout the Midwest

Arnold said the band's goal is merely to have fun with its audience

"There's a lot of jumping around, and the fans are singing along and clapping, but not in a cheesy way. It's music that moves you"

Drummer Barb Teeter has a knack for upbeat rhythms. Rhythm guitarist Arnold adds texture, and bassist Joe Skowronek fills in the gaps with his monstrous tones

BLIND SHAME

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CD: All N Compass, available at independent record stores and at www.blindshame.com

Front man Shane Douglas has an eclectic past. Born in Mexico and raised in Russia, he moved to Clarkston with his family four years ago and was a fan of the band before becoming its permanent lead singer

Douglas covers a full-spectrum of tones, ranging from demanding to half-pleading. He sings about living in the moment, following impulses, and reflections of past relationships. Accompanying Douglas' vocals is lead guitarist and primary songwriter Chad Goklam of Rochester, who brings smooth harmonies with a punk attitude

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■ The Roots, *The Tipping Point*, (Geffen/Interscope)

Always expect the unexpected from the Roots. On their genre-expanding 2002 album *Phrenology*, the Philadelphia hip-hop band flirted with punk, downshifted neo-soul into a drum n' bass workout, and imagined their guitar-riffing hip-hop as rock n' roll's offspring. The disc was heady, ambitious and undeniably progressive

Now on *The Tipping Point*, instead of further tinkering with song structure and metaphor, they've opted to make their sound more accessible. Down to a streamlined, 10-song CD (actually, there are two hidden tracks, one with a hook courtesy of comic Dave Chappelle), the new disc borrows from the past, eyes the future yet manages to remain some of today's most vital hip-hop

More than any past release, the disc showcases the nimble rhymes of frontman Black Thought. He displays a socially aware side, dropping a couplet about the Patriot Act on the reggae-tinged *Guns Are Drawn* and societal ills on *Why (What's Goin' On?)*

- Brett Johnson for The Associated Press

■ The Polyphonic Spree, *Together We're Heavy* (Hollywood)

The Polyphonic Spree has enough members to staff the average performance of Handel's *Water Music* with maybe a few to spare. The group, an anomaly in a pop music scene that often focuses on a single singer or rapper, counts 23 people as members on its Web site

Under the leadership of singer Tim DeLaughter, the Dallas group dons white or multicolored robes when they perform - a visual metaphor for their second record, *Together We're Heavy*, which blends many voices and instruments into a big, banging wall of sound

It was a task to make *Heavy* cohesive with so many elements (horns, strings, keyboards, drums, bass, guitar and a 10-person choir), and for that the Spree should get compliments

But if the album has a fault, its 10 songs flow into one another, at times making it hard to distinguish one track from the last

On *One Man Show*, the album's best song, the band moves effortlessly, mixing rock and classical as shimmering strings give way to heavy piano riffs and then a haunting operatic vocal by Jennifer Jobe

- Mark Donahue for The Associated Press



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SMOKEY

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Robinson said he celebrates music every day by singing

"The music gave me this life, it gave me opportunity," he said

Robinson is also talking to the media, jail inmates, church congregations and inner-city youth about fame, his battles with drugs and his ultimate sobriety

"Years ago I was an addict stoned out of my mind and one day I ended up at a small church. I saw God there and from that moment, I was healed. I never went to rehab, it was just like that. So now I talk to people whenever I can to inspire them. It's a declaration of my relationship with the Lord

"I get to see the world, I get to sing songs that I still love, and the miracle is that I recently married my best friend of 20 years. I'm so blessed and I need to give something in return so we're trying to improve life for kids who need us"

A LOVE OF DETROIT

Robinson still has a strong relationship with Gordy. Both live in California, both thank each other for Motown's success and both still have passion for Hitsville USA, home of Gordy's old apartment where Robinson spent much of his youth

"When the big acts come to Detroit, they always come back to West Grand

SMOKEY ROBINSON

What: A new CD titled *Food for the Spirit*

Other news: Robinson recently launched a line of frozen Cajun foods called Smokey Robinson's Foods

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Motown memories

What: The Motown Historical Museum

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Boulevard for a visit," Terry said. "Diana Ross brought her children a few years ago so they could see her beginnings. Martha Reeves visits most often, and when she does, she surprises visitors by giving tours. Smokey still comes back. The Motown legacy means so much to them."

Robinson said holding Motown music in his soul means cherishing Detroit too.

"I'm as much tied to Motown now as I was when we started it," Robinson said. "I just choose to live in a warmer climate now because I love the sun. I plan to be back in Detroit again soon. Maybe for the food line, for a concert or to give a talk, I always come back."

FOUR TOPS

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everyone else was singing for second place because they were the bomb."

Franklin will sing *I Believe in You* and the Four Tops will perform with her. Either Boyz II Men or New Edition (it was still undecided at press time) are also scheduled to perform.

Four Tops frontman Levi Stubbs can't perform because of an illness. Lawrence Payton, one of the original Tops, died in 1997 from liver cancer. Ronnie McNeir and former Temptation Theo Peoples are filling in.

"The music is what keeps us going," Fakir said. "We have all these great songs that people like to hear and we still like singing them. The Four Tops are still the four of us. Levi and Lawrence are still with us on stage, we feel them and the audiences feel them in the songs."

The singers of hits like *Baby I Need Your Lovin'* and *I Can't Help Myself (Sugar Pie Honey Bunch)* remained together from their first gig in 1954 in Flint.

Levi Stubbs, Obie Benson, Lawrence Payton and Duke Fakir formed The Four Tops as high schoolers in Detroit. There was never a single change until Payton passed away.

"We made a pact in the beginning that we would stick together as a family, and we did," Fakir said. "The first 10 years

wasn't easy. We didn't have much money, but we had fun touring the country playing supper clubs and little places."

SUCCESS

Fakir remembers the moment he realized success.

"I was in a friend's car and I heard *Baby I Need Your Lovin'* and I went bonkers," Fakir said. "The Supremes had just had a few hits and I knew that once we got on radio the floodgates would open for us."

Fakir said he still feels a rush hearing his music.

"I listen to radio stations that play us," he laughed.

Fakir said he and his fellow bandmates know they're fortunate to still attract big crowds 50 years later. He said he's also lucky to perform in his favorite cities, Detroit and Las Vegas.

"When I was a teenager, I had a scholarship for college and intended to be a mathematician or pharmacist, I always loved singing but never knew it would be my career," Fakir said.

The Four Tops recorded for the Chess, Red Top and Columbia labels before Berry Gordy lured them to Motown, where they teamed with hit songwriters Holland, Dozier and Holland. They sold more than 50 million records, were inducted into the Rock 'n Roll Hall of Fame and have a star on Hollywood Boulevard.

After the concert, Fakir said the band doesn't have specific plans.

"When we're tired, we'll stop."

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JULY

30 Carrot Top

31 Lewis Black w/ David Dyer

AUGUST

6 Harry Connick Jr.

7 DSO "Tchaikovsky Spectacular"

8 DSO "Classical Mystery Tour: A Tribute to the Beatles"

11 Bela Fleck & The Flecktones

w/ Keller Williams /

Yonder Mountain String Band

13 Nashville Star Tour

from USA Network Reality Show

featuring 2004 winner Brad Cotter

14 Franklin The Turtle **2 Shows**

18 Bob Marley Roots Rock Reggae Festival

featuring the Marley Brothers

19 "Weird Al" Yankovic

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Sweet Harmony Traveling Revue

28 Richard Jeni

29 The Allman Brothers Band

w/ Los Lonely Boys

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4 The Robert Cray Band / Buddy Guy

8 Norah Jones w/ Amos Lee*

* Venue change from DTE Energy Music Theatre

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Style

Fash Bash does its turn on the catwalk with Neiman Marcus

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Fash Bash returns from a one-year absence on Saturday, Aug. 14, with huge changes.

Neiman Marcus is the sponsor, it's being held at the GM Renaissance Center's Wintergarden and only 700 tickets are available.

The theme is Club Cavalli, as in Italian fashion designer Roberto Cavalli, whose fall/winter 2004 line is the highlight.

So expect ultra-sexed glam-style clothing, whimsical flair and not much subtlety. Recommended dress code is over-the-top couture.

It's the 34th year for Fash Bash, with all proceeds benefiting the Detroit Institute of Arts. It's the fashion show of the year for Detroit and is headed by the Founders Junior Council of the DIA.

"It's going to be a fantastic and exciting event, with the very glam-rock edge of Mr. Cavalli's amazing collection. We are thrilled to be a part of one of the metro Detroit area's most fashionable traditions," said Ken Downing of



Italian designer Roberto Cavalli will spice up Fash Bash with 2004 glam wear.

FASH BASH

When: 6:30 p.m. Saturday Aug. 14

Where: The Wintergarden in the GM Renaissance Center Detroit

Admission: \$125 for sponsors \$350 patrons call (313) 833-6954 or visit www.foundersjuniorcouncil.org

Neiman Marcus

The event includes a strolling supper, live auction, fashion extravaganza, top-notch entertainment and after-party disco in "Club Cavalli."

Along with Neiman Marcus, other sponsors helping resurrect Fash Bash include General Motors, Comerica Bank and Comcast Cable.

"We look at this year's sponsors as the Fash Bash dream team," David Moncur, Founders Junior Council president said. "Our sponsors represent some of the area's most successful corporations, and that kind of support will ensure that this year's Fash Bash will be thrilling. Metro Detroiters are passionate about fashion, and we are thrilled to present an event that truly celebrates style in our city."

Sponsor tickets are \$125, patron tickets \$350. Patron tickets include VIP seating at lavish tables along the runway, a private reception, live auction and Club Cavalli party. Sponsor tickets include the fashion show and party.

"We are heating things up this year by creating Club Cavalli, a red-hot fashion experience straight from Milan that includes something for everyone," Downing said. "Models from Detroit, New York, Los Angeles, Dallas and Chicago will strut down the runway."

More details, such as possible celebrity personalities and other surprises, will be revealed closer to the event.

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CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE EVENTS

Car display and judging at Cranbrook
Display of American and international automobiles and motorcycles spotlighting the impact of significant American and European influenced automobiles on technology and design throughout the world 10 a m to 5 p m Sunday Cranbrook Educational Community 39221 Woodward Ave Bloomfield Hills all tickets \$25 children 12 and under free with paying adult tickets available at Auto Zone in Birmingham (248) 646 2886 Cranbrook Institute of Science (248) 645 3200 Cranbrook Art Museum (248) 645 3323 or Concours d'Elegance at Cranbrook (248) 539 2150 For more information or order tickets online visit www.concoursatcranbrook.com Ticket price includes access to the entire Cranbrook Educational Community

Cars on Tour
8 a m to 2 p m Saturday motorcade through the historic grounds of Cranbrook to Shain Park in downtown Birmingham

Cars Under the Stars Gala & Auction
7 p m to midnight Saturday fund raiser to benefit Cranbrook Educational Community with food live entertainment and auction at the GM Heritage Center 6400 Center Blvd Sterling Heights Tickets \$175 Patron \$300 Benefactor (includes 2 tickets VIP parking to Concours event on Sunday at Cranbrook and commemorative poster) call (248) 539 2150 for ticket information

Art & Auto exhibit
An examination of the automobile seen through the eyes of ten artists Various works of each artist will be displayed Also included are presentation drawings and models created by auto design students from Detroit's College for Creative Studies Aug 6 to Sept 25 at Paint Creek Center for the Arts 407 Pine St downtown Rochester corner of Fourth and Pine streets Opening reception with the

artists 6 8 p m Friday Aug 6 For information call (248) 651 4110 or visit www.pccart.org

THEATER

Players Guild of Dearborn
Hunchback The Musical Friday Sunday and Thursday Saturday July 29 31 All performances start at 7 30 p m \$5 (313) 561 TKTS 21730 Madison near the south east corner of Monroe and Outer Drive in west Dearborn www.playersguildofdearborn.org

Novi Theatres
Rip Van Winkle 7 30 p m Friday Saturday 3 p m Sunday at The Novi Civic Center 45175 W 10 Mile Road \$10 in advance \$12 door (248) 347 0400

Treetown Performance Festival
Old Wicked Songs by Jon Marans 8 p m Thursday Saturday 2 p m Sunday 120 E Huron Ann Arbor \$20 discount for stu



Brian Thibault (left) as Roger Dellibovi, and Jeff Drewno (Gordon Michael Schwinn) in a scene from the Michigan premiere of William Finn's 'A New Brain' Presented by The Actor's Company Michigan 8 p m today-Saturday, and Thursday-Saturday, July 29-31 at the Birmingham Village Players Playhouse, 34660 Woodward Ave Birmingham Evening of energetic, satirical, often comical musical numbers about an aspiring stage composer during a medical emergency Tickets \$18 adults, \$15 students with ID and seniors age 60 and older, \$10 student rush (1 hour before curtain) Call (248) 644-2075 or (248) 988 7032 Ext 2

dents (734) 663 0681 www.performancenetwork.org

Meadow Brook Theatre

Is offering special access to one of Michigan's premier private golf courses In cooperation with Oakland University anyone purchasing tickets for Meadow Brook Theatre's production of *Golf The Musical* will be granted access to the Katke Cousins golf course which has only been open to the University community By ordering your tickets to *Golf The Musical* you and a guest are entitled to play this 23 year old country club condition course *Golf The Musical* is the off Broadway smash hit playing at Meadow Brook Theatre from Aug 25 through Sept 19 Call (248) 377 3300 to order your tickets and mention the Katke Cousins offer Tickets are as low as \$26 with senior student and group discounts available For more information visit www.mbtheatre.com

AUDITIONS

MoreDances Contemporary Dance Company

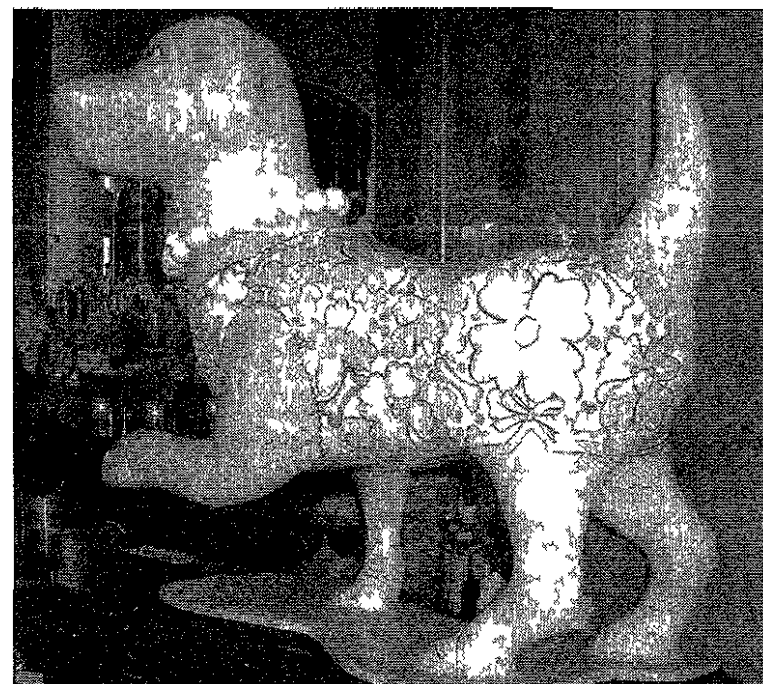
Seeking professional ballet trained contemporary dancers male or female one full time member or apprentice Pay for full company members (grants pending) noon Saturday Aug 7 Clayton Academy of Dance 3527 Rochester Road (north of Big Beaver) Troy Call (248) 689 4084 for information

Spotlight Players

Auditions for *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* are Sunday Aug 8 (children 6 12 unchanged voices) Monday Aug 9 (adults) and Tuesday Aug 10 (if required) at 6 p m in the Ash Room in the Summit 46000 Summit Parkway Canton (west of Canton Center Road south of Cherry Hill) Bring a non returnable photo Adults prepare to sing and bring sheet music for 16 bars of a non Joseph song A dance sequence will be taught No preparation needed by children Performances are at The Village Theater in Canton in October Call director at (248) 661 3696 or see www.spotlightplayers.net

Vocal Group

Low bass singer needed for established close harmony ensemble performing in Detroit/Ann Arbor area Requires strong



Look for this trendy dog sculpture at Pink Envy, a women's clothing boutique on Maple in downtown Birmingham She's just one of many painted pups that can be seen throughout downtown as part of 'Dog Town, an exhibit sponsored by The Community House Maps are available at most Birmingham retailers The exhibit runs through October For more information, visit www.communityhouse.com

music reading skills and excellent ear Vocal jazz background a plus. Contact PRime Vocal Jazz Business Manager Ginny Lundquist at (248) 682 6562 for more information or to arrange an audition

ART FAIRS/GALLERY RECEPTIONS

Ann Arbor Art Fairs

Four art fairs showcasing 1200 artists plus live entertainment demonstrations hands on activities food shopping and more 10 a m to 9 p m Thursday Friday and 10 a m to 6 p m Saturday Downtown Ann Arbor University of Michigan campus and surrounding areas For more information call the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau at (800) 888 9487 or visit www.annarbor.org/artfair2004/ Park free at Briarwood Mall 1 94 and State or Pioneer High School Main and West Stadium and take an AATA shuttle to either downtown or U of M campus departures every 10 15 minutes 9 a m to 10 p m Wednesday Friday and 9 a m to 7 p m Saturday \$3 round trip free for kids under 7

Del Gallery

Jason Phillips Art Exhibit through July 31 Meet the artist 2 6 p m Sunday 28001 Southfield Road (between 11 & 12 Mile Roads) Lathrup Village (248) 423 7270

G R N'Namdi Gallery

Sculptures by Ayano Ohmi Paintings by Semaj and Gallery Artists Summer Group Show through Aug 28 Opening reception 6 9 p m Friday 66 E Forest Detroit (313) 831 8700 www.grnamdigallery.com

Grand Blanc Art Fair

On the grounds of Grand Blanc High School Saginaw at Holly road more than 65 artists including Dini Burny of Lake Orion Lisa Firth and Insiya Saviwala of Troy 10 a m to 5 p m Saturday 11 a m to 5 p m Sunday (810) 695 8933

Orchard Lake Fine Art Show

Second annual show Friday Sunday Aug 6 8 at the Orchard Lake St Mary's campus on Orchard Lake Road at Commerce Road features over 140 juried booths The event begins with an artist preview party 6 9 30 p m Friday The Sheila Landis Trio will serenade patrons as they take advantage of the first opportunity to purchase art before the event opens to the public The Townsend Hotel and Whole Foods Market are providing delicious savories for party guests Preview tickets \$25 and available at ticketweb.com Proceeds benefit the Orchard Lake St Mary's Schools Fair hours are 10 a m to 7 p m Saturday 11 a m to 5 p m Admission is free

Village Art Fair

The Michigan Guild of Artists and Artisans will present the second annual Village Art Fair at the Village of Rochester Hills on 10 a m to 8 p m Saturday Aug 28 and 10 a m to 6 p m Sunday Aug 29 (734) 662 3382 or visit www.michianguild.org.

District Arts Gallery

Works n Series through Aug 28 Opening reception 5 8 p m today 955 S Eton one mile east of Woodward 1/2 mile south of Maple Birmingham (248) 258 9300 www.districtarts.com

OUTDOOR CONCERTS/SPECIAL EVENTS

DTE Energy

Journey 7 30 p m Friday The Knack The Fixx and Missing Persons 7 30 p m Saturday Sugar Ray with Gore Gore Girls 7 30 p m Sunday Linkin Park with Snoop Dogg The Used Korn and Less Than Jake 2 30 p m Monday July 26 The Dead with Warren Haynes 6 p m Tuesday July 27 Gin Blossoms with Molly Hatchet 7 30 p m Thursday July 29 (248) 377 0100 information tickets (248) 645 6666 www.palacenet.com

Meadow Brook Music Festival

Fred Garbo Inflatable Theatre Co 2 p m and 7 p m today Chris Isaak with Sophie Hawkins 8 p m Friday (248) 377 0100 information tickets (248) 645 6666 www.palacenet.com

Jerome Duncan Ford Theater at Freedom Hill

Jazz 7 30 p m Wednesdays through Aug 25 Tracy Lawrence Friday An Evening with Boston Tuesday July 27 Benoit/Freeman Project Angela Bofill Wednesday July 28 4900 Metropolitan Parkway (16 Mile Road) Sterling Heights all shows begin at 7 30 p m (586) 268 5100 Ticketmaster (248) 645 6666 or visit www.freedomhill.net

Franklin

Music on the Green 8 30 p m Wednesday July 28 Bobby Lewis and the Cracker Jack Band Village Green on Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile Roads

Plymouth

Guy Louis and Chautauqua Express performs at Music in the Park noon Wednesday July 28 Plymouth Community Band 8 p m today and Thursday July 29 Music in the Air series 7 p m Friday features Steve King & The Ditties Concerts at Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth

Farmington DDA

Real Happy String Band 7 30 p m Friday Motor City Brass Band 7 30 p m Friday July 30 Pergola Gazebo at Farmington Place on Grand River

Heritage Park/Farmington Hills

Truth performs 7 30 p m today as part of Stars in the Park 24915 Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads in Farmington Hills in the case of a rain out the concert will be at the Costick Center 28600 W 11 Mile Road three miles east of Heritage Park. For more information about the free summer concert series call (248) 473 1857

Canton

Bobby Lewis and the Crackerjack Band 7 30 9 15 p m today Heritage Park, Canton (248) 348 4399

Wednesdays at Eight Concerts

Missing Lynx Folk Duo 8 p m Wednesday July 28 Nardin Park United Methodist Church 29887 W 11 Mile Road Farmington Hills no charge

Redford Concerts in the Park

Terri Lea & the Wild Mustangs 7 30 p m Tuesday July 27 Capitol Park

Ferndale

Cabaret featuring Linda Piccoli and Dana Marie 7 p m Friday July 23 Gerry Kulick Community Center 1201 Livernois Ferndale

Detroit Zoo

Wild Summer Nights concert series 6 30 8 p m Wednesday July 28 Jill Jack (folk/rock) no charge with zoo admission \$10 ages 13 61 \$8 50 seniors 62 and older and students 2 12 children under 2 free Intersection of 10 Mile Road and Woodward Avenue Royal Oak (248) 398 0900 or www.detroitzoo.org

Brazil and Beyond

During Birmingham's Day On The Town 2 4 30 p m Saturday downtown Birmingham



Members of the 7th Michigan Volunteer Infantry, Company B will bring the sights and sounds of the Civil War era to Historic Ford Wayne 9 a m to 4 p m Saturday-Sunday Wearing authentic uniforms and clothing of the era these re-enactors will portray Union garrison and civilian life at the brick and stone-walled fort Guided tours of the fort are \$2 per person Secured parking is \$5 per vehicle Picnic lunches and coolers permitted on the fort grounds, which offer 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 Fort Wayne is at 6325 West Jefferson Ave (at the foot of Livernois) in Detroit For more information, call (313) 833-1805 or visit www.detroithistorical.org Volunteers interested in helping out at the fort this summer can call (313) 833-0481

JAZZ/POP/ROCK

Jazz 'n Jams

Doc Powell 2 p m Saturday July 31 will be autographing his new CD Cool Like That at Jazz n Jams 22516 Telegraph (south of Nine Mile Road in the Starbucks Plaza) Southfield (248) 353 JAZZ www.jazzn.jams.com

Jazz in the Garden

Alma Smith 7 10 p m Wednesday July 28 Pegasus Garden Meadow Brook Hall on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills \$20 per person in advance or \$25 at the door Reservations recommended Cash bar is featured and hors d'oeuvres are available for purchase (248) 370 3140 or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org

Matt Michaels

With guests 7 30 11 p m Wednesday Ron's Fireside Inn 28937 Warren Garden City \$5 cover with dinner \$10 without dinner two drink minimum reservations recommended July 28 Barbara Ware vocals (734) 762 7756

Robert Richmond

With Dan Hall Marianne Murphy and special guests Sour Milk Moon CD release party 7 p m Saturday Highland Station (Celtic Kettle) 204 W Livingston Road Highland \$10 adults kids under 12 free (248) 889 7989

Magic Bag

Dub Is A Weapon 8 p m today \$8 advance Michael Glabicki (from Rusted Root) 8 p m Saturday \$12 advance 22920 Woodward Ave Ferndale (248) 544 30301 www.themagicbag.com

Edison's

The Brothers Groove 9 30 p m to 1 30 a m Friday Saturday 220 Merrill St Birmingham (248) 645 2150 no cover

Blue Martini

Persuas on Top 40 Friday Air Margaritaville Saturday 7 11 p m 201

Hamilton one block north of Maple Birmingham (248) 258 3005

Peabody's

Piano stylist Greg Nichols 8 30 p m Friday 34965 Woodward Ave south of Maple Birmingham (248) 644 5222

COMEDY

Joey's Comedy Club

J Chris Neberg 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

Michigan Comedy Survivor

Top comedians perform to benefit the Macomb Oakland Regional Center winning comedian will showcase their act in New York City for Comedy Central's Premium Blend 8 p m Tuesday July 27 Joey's Comedy Club in Livonia (734) 261 5500 8 p m Thursday July 29 Joey's Comedy Club Dearborn (313) 584 8885 8 p m Friday July 30 Grand Finale Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle Royal Oak (248) 542 9900

Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle

Dave Coulter 8 p m today 8 p m & 10 30 p m Friday Saturday 269 E Fourth St Royal Oak (248) 542 9900 www.comedycastle.com

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase

Closed July 22 24 for Ann Arbor Art Fair Week Stunt Johnson Theatre 8 p m & 10 30 p m Friday Saturday July 30 31 314 E Liberty Ann Arbor (734) 996 9080

CHORAL

Summer Sings

University Musical Society's Choral Union invites all singers to these popular no audition no performance evenings of music making Monday July 26 & Aug 2

registration 6.30 p m singing 7-9 30 p m in Auditorium 4 of the Modern Languages Building corner of Thayer and Washington Ann Arbor \$5 www.ums.org

MUSEUMS

Detroit Historical Museum

The Detroit Historical Society is celebrating the City of Detroit's 303rd birthday on Saturday with a special event at the Detroit Historical Museum from noon to 4 p m Guests can enjoy free birthday cake a musical tribute to Detroit by Rocky Raccoon Productions and guided tours 5401 Woodward Ave (corner of Kirby) in Detroit's Cultural Center area Admission \$5 adults \$3 seniors (60+) and students and youth ages 5 18 \$3 50 for college students with a valid ID card no charge for children four and under (313) 833 1805 or www.detroithistorical.org

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History

Without Sanctuary Lynching Photography in America today through Feb 27 315 E Warren Detroit 9 30 a m to 5 p m Wednesday Saturday 1 5 p m Saturday www.maah.detroit.org

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

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 Detroit Free Salsa Lessons 9 30 p m by Troy Dance Studio Doors open 8 p m \$8 Cover - ladies free before 10 p m 21 & over welcome (248) 756-4821 or www.danceindetroit.com

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

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

George & Harry's Blues Cafe

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

Club Bart

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

Mephisto's

2764 Florian Avenue Want a taste of the music at Mephisto's? Visit its entertaining Web site www.mephistosdetroit.com Mephisto's is close to both I 75 (off Caniff) and I-94 in Hamtramck (off Mt Elliott) This 21 & over club where proper attire is mandatory is new to our ever changing club scene and features three levels including a VIP lounge and terrace Hours Thursday Friday and Saturday 7 p m to 2 a m (313) 875 3627

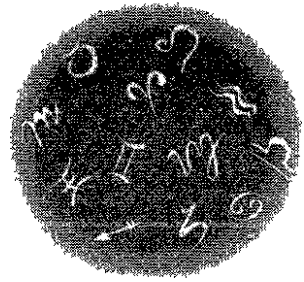
Horoscope



Star Struck

(July 22 - July 24)

By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

It's been said that enlightened individuals realize that events cast their shadows beforehand. If you are having to cope with intrigue in your personal life now, the golden rule is this: Hear one side and you will be in the dark; hear both sides and all will be clear.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Bulls are not the type to suffer dumbness gladly, and anyone who imagines that you will be in for a surprise. Although it may be awhile before you're in a position to call all the shots, that doesn't mean you should be taken for granted. Remain cool - don't act a fool!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

Keep travel plans to a minimum and allow for delays when on the go. Twins: Now's a time when the winds of change begin to blow full force on the home front. Allow kids, parents, and partners to express their opinions (and their anger). Ain't much you can do about it. Stay mellow.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

The summertime moment has come to make others aware that you have had enough cold shoulders and idle promises and that you now demand guarantees. Even if the weekend atmosphere becomes tense, on no account back down. Stick to your guns. Moon Kid!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Now that it's your birthday time, you should change your tactics and focus on possibilities rather than profit or perils. Generosity is a wonderful thing, but there are times when it pays to be a little bit selfish. If you give too much away while in the weeks ahead, you'll regret it by autumn.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Your routine has been thrown into disarray by unexpected circumstances, making you feel that you cannot plan for the future with any degree of certainty. The things that really count are not those held in the hand, but what one cherishes in the heart. Update the itinerary and resume.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

You now have potential to make friends out of enemies and enemies out of friends. The Sun changing signs this week urges you to stand back and take a more supportive role, especially where money is concerned. The grass may look greener elsewhere, but this isn't the best astro time to check it out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Friends and family will leave you no doubt this weekend as to what they think about your latest escapade. Some may think you've completely lost your mind; you'll have to fight hard to win. Don't let their lack of a sense of humor or horoscopes affect you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Even if something you have your heart set on isn't working the way you expected, now don't give up! Your horoscope hints that you may be seeing problems where none exist. A breakthrough is imminent, but first you must stop looking for things to go wrong.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Speak your mind, especially where financial matters are concerned. But make sure your assumptions are backed up by facts or you run the risk of alienating loved ones and colleagues. Those wedded to outdated outlooks may soon experience a messy divorce from dollars or darlings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

An economic snafu may catch you by surprise this week, but don't let it turn into more than you can handle. Money isn't everything. All that matters now is making the time to pursue whatever (or whomever) interests you most. No matter how crazy the world seems to get, don't go crazy on yourself or loved ones!

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Many Pisces have an almost childlike belief that everything will turn out all right in the end, and sometimes it does. It's now time to plan, plot, and push ahead to ensure that you're making the most of resources. Redefine and re-establish what it is you truly want.

Birmingham astrologer **Dennis Fairchild** is an author of several books on divination. For information about personal consultations, phone (248) 646-3555 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com

Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda, we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

DVD

OK, so yeah, I like **Sealab 2021**. And guess what? Season One is out on DVD now. Isn't that cool? I mean, I have a friend who has downloaded all of the episodes on Kazaa, but this is way more useful. Each episode is 15 minutes. Who doesn't like that efficiency? And Debbie is way hot! Pick it up with the Aqua Teen Hunger Force Vol. 2 or that Invader Zim Vol. 1 you have been meaning to get since May. Then we can be like twins!

Available at most major retailers, including Wal-Mart! For more info on the funniest cartoon on TV, check out <http://www.adultswim.com/shows/sealab>



MERGE RECORDS

Scarves and sweaters are classic twee accessories. Camera Obscura plays tonight at The Magic Stick.

Shows

There are a bunch of great rock shows this week. ■ Twee, Twee, Twee: **Camera Obscura** is so twee it hurts. Think of Belle and Sebastian if only Belle sang all the songs and they were forever stuck in 1996's *Tigermilk*. Think of Pas|Cal if they were actually from Glasgow. Think the equivalent of your 8-year-old sister making an album about her stuffed animal collection. Think of all of these things and then add two more cups of overly precious and sweet. You're getting close to what the band's January release *Underachievers Please Try Harder* is like. Now take a good dose of something sour - you're going to need it if you expect not to melt - and head to the Camera Obscura show tonight at the Magic Stick, 4120 Woodward Ave. in Detroit.

Those local alt-country bandits The Volebeats and power-pop kiddos Tiny Steps will open. Cover is \$10. Doors open at 8 p.m. All ages.

■ Those former well-dressed Next Big Things **The Hives** will hit Detroit Sunday. The Swedish punk outfit has a new album out, *Tyrannosaurus Hives*, with seriously creepy cover art. You may have heard the first single, *Walk, Idiot, Walk*, on MTV2 or something. It reminds me a lot of the Darkness in that shake-your-hips-so-good-way-like-a-70s-cover-band-who-actually-made-you-dance-Whatever. Howlin' Pelle Almqvist will never be as cute as Paul Banks to me - and I am biased because of it.

The Hives will play Sunday at St. Andrew's, 431 E. Congress, Detroit. Doors open at 7 p.m. All Ages. Cover is \$15. May I suggest you get there early? Perhaps an advanced ticket purchase from a local Ticketmaster outlet is wise.

■ Best song recently utilizing a round: *Trunk of My Car*. Best song to love even though it's almost totally emo: *I'm Green*. Best show this week, by the funniest and funniest band signed to Polyvinyl: **Volcano, I'm Still Excited!** this Sunday at the Lager House, Detroit. Best band name ever (two exclamation points). Volcano, I'm Still Excited!! Second runner up for best band name ever: my friend Luke's semi-autobiographical band, The Dance Team is Going to Florida.

Best real band that I'm friends with that will open the show: Tenley. Best way to end this pick: Telling you the details. Show starts at 10 p.m. 21 and up. Cover is \$5. For more info, click on volcanoimstillexcited.com or lagerhousedetroit.com. Best ending for a work of writing or art: Fin.

As an aside, Pure Picks would like to broaden its horizons. I rarely get genres other than pop and rock submitted for the music portion of this column. And let's face it: I am an indie rock chick anyway. If you have something outside of my regular rock stuff, pretty please with a cherry on top, consider submitting it. I'm pretty much the only one running this thing, so if something passes me by, it's because I'm only one person (and my real job here has nothing to do with writing). I've neglected other musical genius for far too long. Love me, and I will love you back. Help me help you. Submit and help a sistah out.

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Summertime fun



WATER WORKS THEATRE COMPANY

Shannon Nicole Locke of Pontiac as Olivia and Eli Magid of Detroit as Feste exchange words in Water Works Theatre Company's outdoor production of Shakespeare's 'Twelfth Night,' opening July 29 in Starr Jaycee Park in Royal Oak

Get outdoors in Royal Oak

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Rooftop bars and al fresco dining abound in Royal Oak, but they're not the last word on the outdoors-in-downtown-Royal Oak experience

Take the annual Shakespeare in the Park series, slated Thursday-Sunday, July 29 through Aug 8. Performances, which take place in Starr Jaycee Park, draw an audience of about 150.

This year, the group presents a ragtime version of *Twelfth Night* set in 19th-century New Orleans. Former associate director of Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre Company Tony Schmitt serves as director.

"It's a one-of-a-kind. There is no other outdoor production of Shakespeare in Michigan," said Ed Nahhat, executive producer of the event, which is presented by the nonprofit Water Works Theatre Company.

For free Friday night entertainment smack in the center of downtown Royal Oak, head to the small patch of grass on Fourth Street between Main and Center. SkyLofts is hosting a series of Detroit area jazz artists there. On Friday, the Kathy Kosins Band plays the super-small venue starting at 5:30 p.m.

There's also a series of free Wednesday night concerts on the Royal Oak Public Library lawn featuring local performers. The Midweek Summer Concert Series is sponsored by the city and area businesses.

And if you're headed to Shakespeare in the Park, feel free to bring picnics, blan-

DOWNTOWN & OUTDOORS

■ **Shakespeare in the Park:** *Twelfth Night in Ragtime* July 29 to Aug 8 shows run 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday plus half-price matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday. Adults, \$20; under 21, \$10. Starr Jaycee Park, 13 Mile Road between Crooks and Main. Call (248) 988-1359 or visit www.shakespeareroyaloak.com.

■ **SkyLofts free jazz concerts:** Detroit-area jazz artists 5:30-8:30 p.m. Fridays (July 23, Aug 6 and Aug 20). Fourth between Main and Center streets, free.

■ **Midweek Summer Concert Series:** Hosted by the city's recreation department, local performers (jazz, Dixieland, Motown & oldies) 7 p.m. Wednesdays through Aug 18. Lawn of Royal Oak Public Library, Troy just south of 11 Mile Road, free.

kets and lawn chairs, although some bleacher seating is provided.

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