

Fieger: VanBuren just wanted to pray

Parents plan to show appreciation for kids teachers Page A6

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Even before Plymouth Township and Michigan State Police have completed their investigations in the deadly force shooting death July 23 of Robert VanBuren at the Church of the Nazarene, attorney Geoffrey Fieger had his own conclusions

"The entire propaganda machine to justify the killing of Rob has been set in motion," Fieger said. These statements by Chief (Tom) Tiderrington are lies. I would prefer that Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worth begin an independent investigation into this killing.

Fieger, joined by six family members at his Southfield office, announced a \$65 million lawsuit Thursday against Plymouth Township, Tiderrington and the two officers involved in the shooting death of VanBuren.

Rob was a very religious person, he clearly sought sanctuary and entered a church to pray," Fieger said. He did nothing to justify his killing."

According to police, VanBuren, 35, walked into the day care shortly after 8 a.m. and barged past a church secretary who attempted to stop him by grabbing his T-shirt, which tore off his back.

As the 10 children at the day care were ushered outside, a frantic 9-1-1 call was made to police. Two township police officers



Barbara VanBuren (left) speaks out about the shooting of her son Robert VanBuren in a press conference at Geoffrey Fieger's law firm in Southfield. Pictured with VanBuren is Geoffrey Fieger (center), daughter Teri VanBuren/Moran, son Patrick. At the back is son Mark, defense attorney Ven Johnson, and sons Gary and Michael.

PLEASE SEE FIEGER, A6

Voter, 99, wouldn't miss his chance to cast ballot

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM STAFF WRITER

When 99-year-old Fred Kaun was born, Theodore Roosevelt was president. When Kaun voted in his first election, he helped elect Roosevelt's distant cousin — Franklin D. Roosevelt — as 32nd president of the United States.

Eleven presidents later, Kaun of Plymouth Township still casts his ballot during each election — though in recent years he began going the absentee voter route.

"The reason I vote is I want to see the most honest guy win," Kaun said while sitting on the backyard deck of his daughter Linda Coughlin's home.

Kaun was born Sept. 8, 1904, in London to German parents. He emigrated to the U.S. in 1928, eventually moving to Dearborn with his wife, Ella, in 1944. He worked as a cabinet maker for the Dearborn Public Schools for 25 years and served as minister of an Apostolic Church, retiring in 1969.

Since becoming a U.S. citizen at age 24, Kaun has rarely missed out on a chance to exercise his civic duty.

"I may have missed one or two elections," he said.

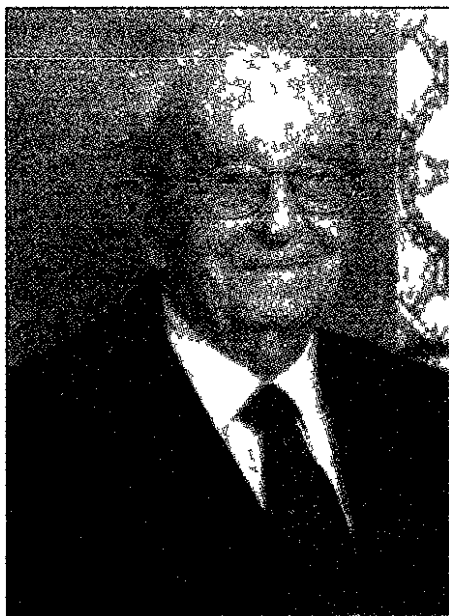
Kaun said he plans to spend his centennial with his family at the Northville Hills Golf Club.

Kaun's daughter said that for a 99-year-old, he is extremely self-sufficient.

"He does his own laundry, empties the dishwasher and never complains about anything," Coughlin said.

If a home project involving wood-working needs doing, Kaun is definitely the man in charge, she added.

For Kaun, forgetting how to build things out of wood would be like forgetting how to ride a bike.



When Fred Kaun, 99, was first able to vote, he supported Franklin D. Roosevelt. Today, he votes by absentee ballot and makes sure he votes.

"When I was learning (cabinet making) at age 14, I worked three years without any pay. I slept in a room above the workshop on a straw bed where they stored caskets," Kaun said, describing an almost Dickensian scenario.

Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill said Kaun and other absentee voters are a valuable part of the registered voter force.

"I think we have better voter turnout with senior voters," said Massengill, adding that as of early last week, 50 percent of the absentee ballots sent out had been turned in.

Township races marred by threats, unsigned literature, hostile signs

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The contentious political season in Plymouth Township is almost over. It officially comes to an end Tuesday, as the township holds its primary election for supervisor, treasurer, clerk and trustees.

In reality, since all the candidates for the full-time elected positions are Republicans, the winners on Tuesday won't face any formidable opposition in the Nov. 2 general election.

In what has become standard business procedure for Plymouth Township politics during the last week before an election, campaign literature aimed at character assassination is finding its way into the mailboxes of township residents.

The latest is an unsigned piece of literature against incumbent treasurer Ron Edwards, claiming sexual harassment and stalking of township employees.

"They're charging me with criminal actions that aren't true," said Edwards. "Whoever did this is making it up for political purposes."

Running for office is about vision and qualification to do the job, not about trashing one another so it affects their personal lives," said Edwards. "When people don't have the qualifications to fill the position, they look at

negatives of others to win." Challenger John Morrison denied involvement in the unsigned campaign literature.

"I categorically deny any knowledge of that piece," said Morrison. "It's pretty harsh. Threats have no place in politics."

Ken Silfven, a spokesman for Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land, says the campaign finance act is very specific when it comes to campaign literature.

"If it's a flier or ad that references an election, candidate or ballot question, it would need a disclaimer that says who's paying for it," said Silfven. "If it's done independently, not authorized by a candidate or committee, it still needs a disclaimer."

Edwards may not be the only one being attacked by unsigned campaign literature. Word on the street is a negative campaign piece is expected in mailboxes before Tuesday aimed at township Supervisor candidate Richard Reaume.

Reaume and Don Schnettler are battling for the supervisor's office. Incumbent Clerk Marilyn Massengill is being challenged by township resident and Dearborn deputy clerk Lola Isminger.

Voters will also narrow the field of 10 Republican candidates for township

PLEASE SEE RACES, A5

State still looking into clerk allegations

BY BRAD KADRICH STAFF WRITER

While Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill gets ready to oversee Tuesday's primary election, state elections officials continue to look into allegations of election improprieties made by a former deputy clerk.

Kelly Chesney, a spokesperson for the Michigan Secretary of State's office, told the Observer Tuesday state officials have talked to Massengill and to Sandra Groth, the former deputy who made the allegations in a letter dated June 27.

Groth, who was Massengill's deputy 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 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

PLEASE SEE CLERK, A5

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This week in PINK Sheila Taormina goes for the gold



Young voters As part of a continuing series on the presidential election we explore the issue of why young people don't participate in the election process

Pipeline

Taste of Plymouth

Tickets are still available for the fifth annual Taste of Plymouth's Old Village Restaurant Crawl 5:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 4

Ticket holders will receive a sampling of specialties at the following Old Village restaurants participating in the restaurant crawl: Plymouth Crossing, Plymouth Fish & Seafood, Shelley's Chicken Manor, Hermann's Lower Town Grill, Grecian Cafe, Station 885 and Harvey's Deli.

Tickets are \$15 and include free horse and carriage rides. Tickets are available at any participating restaurant and the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce at 386 S. Main in Plymouth, across from Kellogg Park.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Tickets may be purchased by phone with Visa or MasterCard through the chamber office by calling (734) 453-1540.

Tickets may not be purchased by phone by calling the restaurants.

Circus' 66th

The Kelly Miller Circus will celebrate its 66th year this year. The Plymouth Lions Club is sponsoring this year's circus, which will be in town Wednesday, Aug. 18.

Performances are scheduled at 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at Central Middle School. This year's show will feature elephants, horses and a cast of international circus stars under a beautiful circus big top.

The tent raising itself is a great free show that will take place 8:30 a.m. Tickets are available at Bellavino, Kroger and Wiltses Pharmacy.

Fall softball

The city of Plymouth Recreation Department will be running two men's softball mini-leagues: Men's Class D and below will play Tuesdays and Thursdays; Men's open class will play Mondays and Wednesdays. All games will be played at Don Massey Field in Plymouth.

Registration for new teams will be Aug. 9-13 or until full. Registration is for teams only. For more information call (734) 455-6620 ext. 302 or visit www.ci-plymouth.mi.us on the

Center draws 9/11 surviving friends, families

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

People who lost loved ones on Sept. 11, 2001, sometimes get to meet other people who lost loved ones on that day. But it's more unusual to meet people who lost loved ones in the same place on the same day.

It became commonplace for this to happen at New Hope Center for Grief Support, a Northville-based grief counseling center. Two years ago, the center began offering a 9/11 grief support group for those who lost loved ones in hijacked jetliners, the

Pentagon and the World Trade Center attacks.

Thirty-five names are on the 9/11 support group list, with participants hailing from all over metro Detroit and Michigan. The group meets once per month.

Pat Whalen of Canton lost her 23-year-old daughter, Meredith, when the first plane hit the north tower of the World Trade Center.

But years before 9/11, when her two daughters were children, she lost her husband to cancer — and nine months later, her mother died.

About that time, Whalen

met grief counselor Cathy Clough of Plymouth, who is now director of New Hope. Upon meeting Clough, Whalen learned that Clough's husband had recently died of cancer.

In an unusual twist, they discovered that Whalen's daughter, Meredith, sat next to Clough's son at West Middle School.

This wasn't the first time Whalen shared an uncanny bond with others.

"Two of the families (in the 9/11 grief group) had sons who were employed by the same firm as my daughter," Whalen said, referring to a business

based in the World Trade Center for which her daughter, Meredith was working.

Arlene Krzawa, administrative assistant for New Hope, speaking on behalf of Clough, who was vacationing abroad, said such bonds have helped 9/11 survivors work through their grief.

"They've created a bond with one another because they're a unique group," Krzawa said. "No one outside the tragedy really understands what they're going through. There is comfort in knowing someone else who has gone through the same thing that you have."

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Carry named O&E advertising director

Martin E. Carry has been named advertising director of the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*.

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"Marty's enthusiasm and new ideas along with his keen attention to customer service and sales innovation will help the O&E as we continue to grow in western Wayne and Oakland counties."

Carry, 39, most recently worked as the business development leader for the *Flint Journal*, a member of the *Booth Newspapers* Michigan division.

He has experience in retail and classified advertising at both daily and weekly newspapers. He spent seven years at *The Oakland Press*, where he was promoted several times into key management positions. He also served as classified director for 35 weekly publications in suburban Milwaukee.

At the O&E, Carry will manage retail and classified adver-

tising operations.

"It's been a very fast and fun 11 years in my newspaper career," Carry said. "I am very fortunate to have worked with some excellent people that have provided me with the opportunity to grow. I have competed with the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* in my past and I know how strong they are. I am very proud and excited to serve as the advertising director and appreciate the opportunity."

Our major objective as a team will be to provide our clients with cost-effective products and services that will be targeted to achieve maximum results from our readers," he added.

Carry and his wife, Mary, live in Grand Blanc. They are the parents of Megan, 10.

A home theater enthusiast, he also enjoys golf and billiards.

Carry can be reached via email at mcarry@oehomecomm.net



Martin Carry

In the spirit

Strong support was offered for Devin Thomas of Canton, who was a wide receiver for the East All Stars at the Michigan High School Coaches All Star game, July 24 at the University of Michigan.

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Jennie Hohl, bartender at Sean O'Callaghans, prepares to pour three shots of Jamison's for (from left) Mike Zack, Craig Kielty and Dave Kielty. Observer readers picked O'Callaghans as the best bar.

Sean O'Callaghan's chosen as best bar

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Sean O'Callaghans owner, John Callaghan, had to think for a minute when asked why *Plymouth Observer* readers voted his three-year-old restaurant/pub as 'best bar' in a reader ship survey.



I think it starts with the staff, he finally said. 'With the exception of one young bartender (Kieran Fahy) who left us last spring, we have had

the same staff.

Sean O'Callaghans Traditional Irish Pub & Restaurant opened at 821 Penniman in 2001. Callaghan said plans are in the works to build a second O'Callaghans in Milford. It is scheduled to open in the fall.

Another reason Callaghan, U.S. born but Irish raised, cited for the pub's success is something most patrons might not even notice.

'With our draft (beers), we do everything to make sure they're handled correctly — and we religiously clean our lines every two weeks,' he said.

This reduces the chance of tasting something funky in that pint of Guinness or Harp — just a couple of the pub's 15 draft beers.

Another thing patrons may not notice, but still appreciate, is the gadget that helps keep second-hand smoke at bay.



Sean O'Callaghan's in downtown Plymouth offers an assortment of beers on tap.

'We have a state-of-the-art smoke eater that removes 2,500 cubic feet of smoke every minute,' Callaghan said. 'It changes the air in the room every four to five minutes.'

Even Callaghan's wife, whom he described as a militant non-smoker, doesn't complain if she's sitting at the bar next to a cigar smoker, he said.

The food, Callaghan said, is truly the star of the show. Chef John Schofer came aboard in the fall of 2003. His influence is seen through a seasonally changing menu with more than just traditional Irish fare, such as lamb stew and corned beef dishes.

Callaghan said the ginger and cilantro ahi tuna burger, a new menu addition for summer, has become very popular.

O'Callaghan's patron Gary Rothermel, who owns Penniman Deli across the street, said it's the intangible things that keep him coming back.

'I like the atmosphere,' Rothermel said while sipping a Newcastle Brown Ale. 'I'm Irish — I like the decor and the stuff on the walls — and the staff is always friendly.'

School chief certain God has plan

BY JOANNE MALISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

God wanted Marilyn Meell in Michigan and that's good enough for the longtime transplanted Texan.

'My personal relationship with God is the most important thing in my life,' said Meell, originally from Erie, Pa.

Meell is the new head of school at the more than 800-student Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton. She started her new position about four weeks ago and replaces Gordon Nickel.

How Meell and her husband, Howard, an ordained minister, got here is a kaleidoscope of coincidence and, in her opinion, a few paths opened by God.

Howard's elderly parents live in Michigan. For the past year, the couple, who raised her niece, had talked about moving closer to be with his parents.

'Could we move to Michigan?' That was the question Meell and Howard contemplated.

As they were preparing to visit his parents this spring — with the thought of perhaps moving here — Meell went online to see what jobs were available through the Association of Christian Schools International.

Her search led to a request for applications from Plymouth Christian Academy.

'I had no clue to where Canton, Michigan, was,' she said.

Meell filled out the what she said was the most comprehensive application she has ever seen. 'I was on my way here,' she said. 'I did two telephone interviews with the search committee.'

In five days, Meell's life changed. While in Canton meeting with the search committee and Tony Beckett, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, with which the school is affiliated, the Meells bought a house in Canton.

'We went home and started packing,' she said.

The couple arrived in Canton June 25 and the rest is ready for history.



Meell

A lifelong educator, Meell made the switch from public education to Christian education in the mid-1980s. She has never

looked back.

Meell's resume begins with teaching science in a junior high school, as well as a university professor. She has served as a public middle school principal and educator in Christian schools. Meell has four degrees, including a doctorate.

She makes no apologies for her love of learning, love of keeping busy and active and love for secondary education, especially that group of kids known as middle schoolers.

'I love teaching things to other people,' Meell said. 'I believe God has gifted me as a teacher.'

Meell remembers exactly when she decided her life would be about teaching. She was 4 1/2 years old and whether she was supposed to or not, accompanied the little girl next door to her kindergarten class. Naturally, Meell's mom was looking for her.

She went to school and there I was, she said. 'I never wanted to be anything else. I think teaching is a higher calling.'

Meell loves seeing the lights go on in a student's mind. 'When you are able to help

them learn content or skills, that is rewarding,' she said.

On the Christian side of her students learning, Meell makes no bones about the importance of developing a relationship with God. 'We all have a lifelong relationship with God,' she said.

What is important for Meell is to experience and see how God uses her to help others. She recalls a fifth-grade girl in the first Christian school in which she taught. The little girl had troubles and had struggled in a public school.

'Her self-image and attitude toward education was, 'I can't do this,' she said.

Meell spent a lot of time with the girl, working with her to redevelop her attitude. The little girl blossomed into a confident woman who attended Boston University.

'God connected us. I'm proud of her. I was thankful I could be a part of her life,' said Meell, who remains in contact with her.


'I'm really trying to learn the school this summer,' Meell said.

Summer is for planning. Already there are plans to introduce a hands-on science program in the elementary grades, a study skills class for middle schoolers, as well as advance placement classes — English, U.S. history, calculus and perhaps biology.

'This is a college prep school,' she said. 'We want to expand and offer more programs.'

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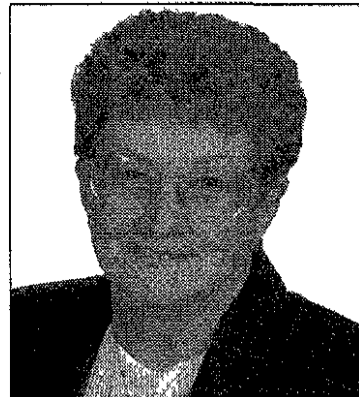
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Kay Arnold

Name: Kay Arnold
Family info: Four children six grandchildren
Number of years living in the district: 15 years
Educational background: Two-year college
Previous elected positions held and years held: Third-term trustee
Community involvement: Plymouth Township trustee since 1992; eight years on Planning Commission; six years on the board of the Chamber of Commerce; eight years Community Federal Credit Union board

Voters will narrow the field of 10 candidates for Plymouth Township's board of trustees in Tuesday's primary election.

What is your position on the new township hall?

As I sit on planning and ask applicants for excellent buildings we are seated in a converted machine shop. Yes, the image of the rest of our township is high but our township hall is horrible and embarrassing. I reviewed three needs books before I voted to proceed and I've answered all questions asked of me.

How do you feel about the amount of attention being paid to recreation?

Our main charge is health, welfare, safety, collection of taxes and elections. Recreation is a bonus if we can fund it without raising taxes.

Should the township have a better working relationship with the city?

Just keep trying.

What are the biggest issues facing the township?

The township hall connecting side walks the Sheldon Road Underpass and continuing to watch the budget.



Bethany Bigelow Cameron

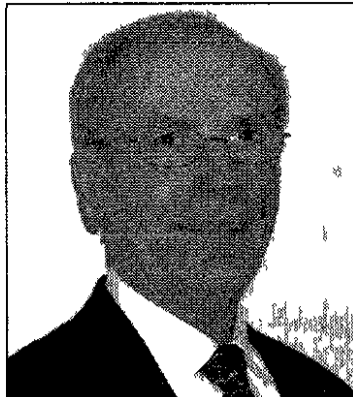
Name: Bethany Bigelow Cameron
Family info: Husband John
Number of years living in the district: 19
Educational background: Working toward a degree from Eastern Michigan University after transferring from Schoolcraft College
Previous elected positions held and years held: None
Community involvement: None

A new township hall is needed. The township needed to upscale to meet the demands of residential growth and also establish continuity within the township departments. The manner in which the hall has been handled seems to have been thorough and expedient.

It is important for recreational opportunities to maintain Plymouth's sense of a close knit community. It enables our families to enjoy quality time. Local recreation offers a time-saving benefit for today's busy family and keeps them from needing to travel to other communities to participate.

The township has worked toward a better relationship with the city but there is definitely room for improvement. By working together there would be opportunities for cost savings for both communities. Consolidation of services would be one way to bring this about.

One of the most important issues is controlled growth. Fortunately, the planning commission has created a new zoning map that should benefit future growth. Growth of industry is very important to maintaining our tax revenues. We need to maintain services at a reasonable cost.



Dennis Cebulski

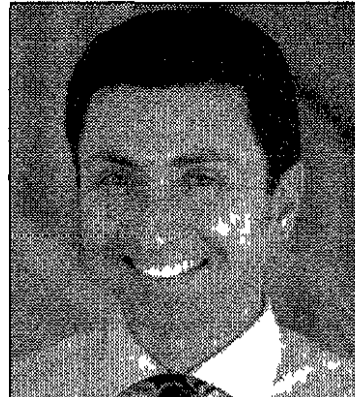
Name: Dennis Cebulski
Family info: Wife Pauline daughter Kristen
Number of years living in the district: 20
Educational background: Bachelor's degree Eastern Michigan University
Previous elected positions held and years held: None
Community involvement: Plymouth Township Planning Commission for 13 years 10 as the chair; Plymouth Historical Society member; Our Lady of Good Counsel former treasurer; Dignity in Action a support group for poor seniors in Metro Detroit.

I support it as long as no additional tax money is needed for its construction. Any firefighter or police officer will agree the current public safety facility is woefully inadequate. Other township employees can attest to the problems encountered by having offices housed in different buildings.

The township needs to continually monitor and assess the recreational needs of its residents. I believe a formalized fact-based method needs to be utilized. I suggest greater consideration be paid to the recreational needs of our senior citizens perhaps through a senior needs commission.

There are real benefits to a good working relationship between city and township. Some benefits include reduced operating costs realized from shared services and perhaps some quality of life enhancements.

Plymouth Township is changing from a growing community to one that is beginning to mature. As a result, revenue streams and expenses will change. Trustees must deal with this issue by examining a strategic plan, particularly as it relates to budget planning.



Charles Curmi

Name: Charles Curmi
Family info: Wife Patty children Kimberly Tricia, Dan and Alicia
Number of years living in the district: 49
Educational background: Bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, Michigan Tech University; master's degree from University of Detroit
Previous elected positions held and years held: Three terms as township trustee
Community involvement: Plymouth Kiwanis Club member; Plymouth Township Planning Commission

The township hall is needed. The process and location should have been improved. Should be one connected building improving communication and control. The present plan will continue multiple building problems, selling the bonds too early, rushing the process will not save money in the long run.

Too much TALK about recreation. I have regularly supported and led efforts to achieve recreation synergy with the city of Plymouth YMCA schools.

Yes, we should act more as one. Plymouth keep the city in fire service and dispatch agreements and develop a joint recreation plan.

Successful implementation of municipal building plan, funding and controlling employee wages, benefits and pensions which make up 80 percent of the general fund budget.



Bob Doroshewitz

Name: Robert Doroshewitz
Family info: Wife Tahminy daughter Allison Rosemary
Number of years living in the district: 5
Educational background: Bachelor's degree Michigan State; master's degree Michigan State; juris doctor Wayne State University
Previous elected positions held and years held: None
Community involvement: President Country Club Village Homeowners Association; founder CCV Men's Golf League; voted worst golfer two years in a row.

The hall should reflect our collective image of the community, an image of prosperity and well-kept neighborhoods. Plymouth Township has grown and matured beyond the useful life of the existing buildings and they need to be replaced. Voters approved the referendum and as such the board should move forward as swiftly as possible to see this project completed in a timely manner.

Parks and recreation is an important responsibility of township government. We have some very nice parks and good youth programs. There is great momentum going with the addition of Miller Family Park and Lake Pointe Soccer Park. I hope to continue to help drive that momentum.

Plymouth and Plymouth Township are inextricably woven together, no doubt about it. We identify ourselves as being from Plymouth and understand that our high property values and quality of life is due in part to the small town charm of central Plymouth. I would be in favor of leveraging services where possible.

Water and sewerage costs are a long-term regional problem that is the result of a court-ordered centralized control of the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department. Prices are noncompetitive, infrastructure is weak and the delivery system outdated. Second, we have an excellent tax rate and I want to keep it that way.

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Geri Hames

Name: Geri Hames
Family info: Husband Greg daughter Dana 19 son Cory 16
Number of years living in the district: 8
Educational background: Canton High School grad; associate's degree Schoolcraft College; bachelor's Michigan State; master's University of Phoenix
Previous elected positions held and years held: None
Community involvement: Geneva Presbyterian Church; Congregational Care Committee; NorthRidge Church; mentor; University of Phoenix team manager; Canton Salem JV unified hockey; Michigan Council of Women in Technology; Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

What is your position on the new township hall?

A new township hall is way overdue. Besides being an eyesore, our hall is out dated and doesn't effectively serve the citizens. We need to have something that is much better than we currently have. Our hall should be reflective of the community we live in.

How do you feel about the amount of attention being paid to recreation?

We need to pay more attention to the township's recreational needs. The current board is on the right track with the new soccer park, Miller Family Park and upgrades to McClumppha Park, but there's more we can do. I'd like to see a Citizens Advisory Committee to study the need for a township recreation department.

Should the township have a better working relationship with the city?

Communications are not as good as they could be. I think it is critical both entities are always in touch with each other and on the same page. To outsiders, Plymouth is one community. I would like to see that same seamless appearance at the government level.

What are the biggest issues facing the township?

The board has a history of letting police, fire and clerical union contracts expire and taking years to renegotiate. I think this should always be a top priority. The services provided by these groups are critical. There's room for improvement in communications too. It's also time to break down the political barriers between Plymouth Township and Canton Township.



James Karell

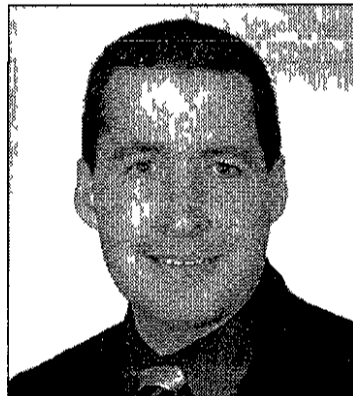
Name: James Karell
Family info: Wife Arlene
Number of years living in the district: 7
Educational background: Currently enrolled at Henry Ford Community College; attended classes at Schoolcraft College
Previous elected positions held and years held: None
Community involvement: Plymouth Township Planning Commission 2001-04; worked on receiving board for elections; volunteered for Habitat for Humanity; donated artistic designs for new township entrance signs; volunteered four years at township picnic.

I believe there is a need, however, I was not pleased in the way some of the issues involving the project were handled. I have always had some reservations about the funding. I supported the idea the issue be brought to the voters. In the end, the people decided. I now support the moving forward by the board.

We've spent a great amount of tax dollars on recreation in the last four years. Improvements are nice, but I would like to do a comprehensive survey of residents to find the direction they feel we need to head in the future.

It's vital. To a certain degree, we depend on each other a lot. It is in the best interests of both communities to keep a good working relationship. I would recommend three members of each board meet to review/discuss issues.

The biggest issue is spending. With the economic times as they are, many cuts are happening at local levels. Decreasing of state funding for our township has been threatened many times in recent years. Our township has been spending more money at a rapid rate. We need to make wise choices on how every dollar is spent.



Steven Mann

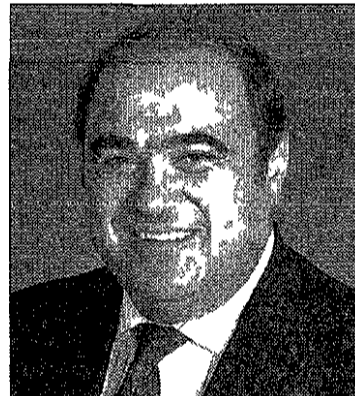
Name: Steven Mann
Family info: Wife Lisa son Brian 11
Number of years living in the district: 17
Educational background: Law degree Thomas M. Cooley Law School; bachelor's degree Cleary University; associate's degree Washtenaw Community College
Previous elected positions held and years held: Plymouth Township supervisor 2000-04
Community involvement: Township police officer 1989-2000; Plymouth Community Foundation; Plymouth Chamber of Commerce; Assembly of the Rouge; Committees Growth Works; committee; Kiwanis Club of Colonial Plymouth.

The project is long overdue and I'm pleased to be part of making it happen. The current facilities are outdated, inefficient, disjointed and were never built for the purposes for which they're being used. We have been very open since December 2000, including the public in the process and moving forward.

This was one of the main priorities of my administration. We built Miller Family Park, added to the township park and built Lake Pointe Soccer Park. This is a good start, but we need more. There are some locations to expand our park/recreation system and I am a staunch supporter in this area.

I have tried to better this relationship. Things were going pretty well until the city realized they weren't watching the store for the past three years and were headed for bankruptcy.

The township needs to begin planning for complete build out, which is 5-7 years out. Evaluate the current building/planning departments to make sure they are properly staffed and meeting the needs of our customers. The township needs to review revenue sources looking into the future.



Abe Munfakh

Name: Abe Munfakh
Family info: Wife Darlene daughters Laila Carr and Jennifer Shaw
Number of years living in the district: 26
Educational background: Bachelor's in civil engineering, Louisiana State; graduate work at University of Michigan; registered professional engineer in Michigan, Indiana and Louisiana
Previous elected positions held and years held: Three terms as township trustee
Community involvement: Plymouth United Way Board of Directors 1995-2003; member at Our Lady of Good Counsel since 1978; usher, lector and master plan team committee; Pillar of the Church; recipient; Schoolcraft College Board of Governors.

A new hall is definitely needed. Having the people vote on the issue was the right way to go. Even though the hall is needed, the cost of building should have been better controlled and the amount of expansion could have been held to a minimum.

Recreation is quite important and should continue to be pursued. We should add facilities, especially in cooperation with our neighbors such as the city of Plymouth, the school district and Northville Township.

The township and city should work more cooperatively. Cooperation could be achieved in the areas of recreation and joint services that would save money, such as street maintenance, DPW, work, fire and dispatch. I would also like to advocate more cooperation for planning and development.

The biggest issue is how to continue to provide a high level of service and still maintain our low millage rate. This could be accomplished by controlling our expenditures and ensuring low taxes are maintained. We need to pay more attention to the older, more mature parts of the township.



Dan Smelser

Name: Dan Smelser
Family info: Mother-father four brothers and two sisters
Number of years living in the district: 5
Educational background: Attended Northwood University
Previous elected positions held and years held: None
Community involvement: Plymouth Township Citizens Police Academy; Civil War Roundtable.

We need a new police station more than a new township hall, but it will be nice to have a building that has all departments in it. A public vote should have been done in the first place.

We need to address this issue more. It is important that our families not have to go outside the township for recreational activities.

We need a better working relationship with the city and the way to do that is to have regular meetings with city officials.

Keeping the cost of living at a pace people can handle, keeping taxes low and also making good use of our parks and open land, making sure quality of life is good for all.

CLERK

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months and she chooses now to bring this up? If she had that much concern, wouldn't she have done that immediately?"

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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Smoke and mirrors

Election season here in Plymouth Township has done wonders for the paper industry as well as the U.S. Postal Service, but that's typical of local elections What's interesting is what is being said in the mailings

Some candidates are sending information about their qualifications, what they have done to improve the township and how they plan to continue the progress we have seen over the past few years Others, however, use their mailings to tell you what they perceive as their opponents' shortcomings, saying little of their own qualifications These candidates have used innuendo, half-truths and even unsubstantiated allegations about their opponents as their forum

Of the many things that make me glad to live here in Plymouth Township, one is that our community consistently is not fooled by this smoke-and-mirrors politics We want issues centered, positive campaigning Negative innuendo, and dirty-type poli-

tics just doesn't work here

I urge you to look at credentials, endorsements and common sense not mudslinging rhetoric On Aug. 3, go to the polls and join me and my family in voting for those who will continue the positive progress and low taxes in Plymouth Township Richard Reaume for supervisor, Ron Edwards for treasurer, Marlyn Massengill for clerk, Kay Arnold, Steve Mann, Dennis Cebulski and Bob Doroshewitz for trustees

Harry Jachym
Plymouth Township

Munfakh the choice

Last week I attended the Meet the Candidates Night hosted by the Wayne 11th While I was disappointed that Mr. Mann and Ms. Arnold did not attend the event, I was pleasantly surprised with Trustee Abe Munfakh's knowledge on the issues

Out of all the candidates, Mr. Munfakh has the experience and vision that our community needs to maintain growth and keep our taxes low Mr.

Munfakh's experience as a business owner is something our board desperately needs in these tough economic times Moreover, his commitment to our community is second to none

I urge everyone to join me in re-electing Trustee Abe Munfakh on Aug. 3

L. Carr
Plymouth

Disservice to residents

To say that I am deeply disappointed with your editorial response to a recent letter sent to you by Township trustee candidate, Geri Hames, would be a gross understatement You totally deflected the

main point, which was your early endorsements of candidates without full knowledge of their qualifications You have committed a great disservice to the residents of Plymouth Township by failing in your responsibilities to, at the very least, perform a personal interview of every candidate

Your counterparts at the Canton Observer, much to their credit, interviewed all Republican trustee candidates thoroughly You on the other hand, make it appear by your lazy, biased writing that there are only four Republican candidates running

Ralph Shufeldt
Canton Township

RACES

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trustee The candidates are Kay Arnold, Bethany Bigelow Cameron, Dennis Cebulski, Charles Curmi, Robert Doroshewitz, Geri Hames, James Karell, Steve Mann, Abe Munfakh and Dan Smelser

Voters in Plymouth and Plymouth Township will have

other issues to decide, including the 11th Congressional district, 20th state representative, Wayne County prosecutor, Wayne County sheriff and Wayne County clerk races

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ers confronted VanBuren and fought him with night sticks and zapped him several times with a Taser gun. After reportedly grabbing the belt of one of the officers, the other fired a shot, killing VanBuren.

Fieger has a different story of what happened that morning. "Robbie didn't attack the employee of the church, the

employee of the church attacked Robbie," Fieger said. "She grabbed his shirt and ripped it off him, and then called police. He didn't threaten any of the children at the church, he simply was asking for entry into the sanctuary."

Police reports indicate VanBuren was delusional and asking for John, possibly a reference to John the Baptist.

"The suggestion that somehow he was on drugs or drinking

is an absolute and unmitigated lie, Fieger said. The suggestion that he was somehow mentally ill and called himself Job was a lie.

He clearly sought sanctuary and entered a church to pray, Fieger added. "Normally, people aren't shot and killed for going into a church and praying."

VanBuren's sister, Terri (VanBuren) Moran, said it was not out of character for her brother to visit various churches to pray.

Every church was Rob's church," she said. "Rob was a very Christian person, he had a strong faith."

"If there's any comfort for this family, Robbie is where he would want to be."

Wiping tears from her eyes, Moran said VanBuren wasn't a violent person.

He was extremely sensitive, kind, generous and caring, she said. "It's been extremely difficult to have lost Rob in this violent manner. It's just senseless."

VanBuren's mother, Barbara VanBuren, who lives in Northville, denied reports she told police her son had been depressed and mentioned wanting to die the day before the shooting.

He called me and said he was doing great, she said. "He said



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Patrick VanBuren is consoled by family members after he broke down at the press conference about his brother's shooting at the New Horizons day care center.

he was having lunch with me and would be there at noon. He said he was stopping by that particular church, but I'm not sure if he had a landscaping job or just stopping at that church."

Fieger said Plymouth Township police should have locked VanBuren in a room and called for backup.

"According to witnesses, the police said get down, get down and Robbie was in the process of getting down when he was shot," Fieger said.

Occasionally in America, police make horrible

mistakes, and in this case they made a horrible mistake and killed a wonderful young man.

"My experience is that police officers are not prosecuted for unjustified shootings, and the only recourse to the family is private prosecution," Fieger added.

Tiderrington said he won't comment further on the shooting until the results of both internal and Michigan State Police investigations are complete.

"We can appreciate the grief

the family is going through, Tiderrington said. "We aren't going to comment other than to say there are presently two investigations being conducted, and once they are complete I look forward to providing detailed information."

Supervisor Steve Mann did not want to discuss the lawsuit, calling it "too premature to talk about the proper time they are disclosed."

Mann, a police officer for 11 years, said he backs the department 110 percent.

"We have a department that is extremely well-trained and well-equipped," he said. "I think the integrity of the department speaks for itself."

"We've built a good reputation over the 19 years, and will continue to provide professional police service our community comes to expect and deserve," Mann said.

The two officers involved in the shooting, both six-year veterans, remain on administrative leave pending results of the investigation. Their names have not been released.

The officer who fired the fatal shot suffered two broken bones in his wrist during the confrontation with VanBuren.

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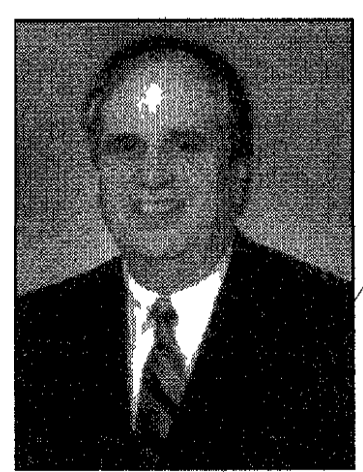
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Parents plan to show appreciation for kids' teachers

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Parents whose children attend the New Horizons day care in the Church of the Nazarene want to show their appreciation for the quick action taken to keep their children safe during the fatal shooting of Robert VanBuren.

"They're heroes in our eyes," said Scott Schafer of Plymouth Township, whose two children attend New Horizons. "These women put themselves in harm's way for our kids."

Schafer and the other parents want to show their support for the four employees on duty who ushered 10 children from the day care to a nearby

play area before the shooting.

"We're thankful, very thankful, and we want to show our appreciation," said Schafer.

"We've started collecting money, and have thus far received about \$500 from the other parents."

"I've been going to local businesses for gift certificates and getting great results," he

said. "We're looking for recognition for these women. They were heroes."

Schafer said he's hoping to collect certificates for a health spa, dinner, shopping and tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game to show their gratitude.

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OUR VIEWS

Voters urged to stay focused in GOP vote

The Republican primary in the race for the seven spots on the Plymouth Township board takes place Tuesday. In this heavily Republican township, the primary is tantamount to election. We encourage voters to stay focused on the issues and qualifications of candidates and avoid giving credence to the unsigned, specious and blatantly inflammatory literature that has been distributed and raised in the 11th hour of this primary.

The *Observer* has covered the issues. We've seen the candidates in action and have studied their background. We believe the following candidates are best equipped to move the township forward.

■ **Supervisor — Richard Reaume** is our choice for township supervisor. A small-business owner who has lived in the township for more than 20 years, Reaume has the background to understand complex budget issues the township faces as it builds a new township hall, decides where to put a second water tower and looks toward getting a public safety millage passed next year.

Reaume, who owns Worldwide Express, a shipping consultant for DHL/Airborne Express, has a bachelor's degree from Wayne State University and a master's degree in finance from the University of Texas. He worked for IBM in Southfield and was national sales manager for Dynatek Financial Software in Livonia.

Reaume promises to be his own man, if elected, and we take him at his word. We believe the voters should do the same, and elect Richard Reaume Plymouth Township supervisor.

■ **Treasurer — Plymouth Township** has a solid fund balance of some \$5 million, is about to build a new township hall without having to raise taxes, got an excellent rating for its municipal bonds and recently completed another successful audit. As the township's chief financial architect, Treasurer **Ron Edwards** is responsible for much of that success, and voters should reward him with reelection.

Township auditors have given Edwards books solid marks the last several years, and Edwards' office works closely with the clerks office to make sure records are kept in the proper manner.

A certified public accountant, Edwards is the only candidate in this race who has the financial background to do the job. He's been at or near the point on several township projects, including the addition of Advanced Life

Support training for firefighters, the new township hall project and several recreation issues.

The township's bottom line shows Ron Edwards is doing the job and voters would be wise to let him keep doing it.

■ **Clerk — Marilyn Massengill** found herself recently having to fend off allegations of wrong-doing in her office from a former deputy who is backing her opponent.

The former deputy made the allegations to the Michigan Secretary of State Elections Bureau in the form of a letter composed six weeks before the primary. The Secretary of State's office is unlikely to find credence in the allegations. We recommend voters return **Marilyn Massengill** to office for a fourth term.

In some 35 years serving the township, Massengill has built a solid reputation and an impressive list of accomplishments.

Over the past four years, Massengill has been a key part of an administration that finally got old projects — a new township hall, Miller Family Park — rolling and began new ventures such as Lake Pointe Soccer Park and the Plymouth Township Downtown Development Authority. Massengill merits the Republican nod Tuesday.

■ **Trustee — With 10 Republican candidates** for Plymouth Township trustee running in the Aug. 3 primary, finding the right mix of experience and ideas is a tough row to hoe. We believe the best choices include current Supervisor **Steve Mann**, incumbent Trustee **Kay Arnold**, former planning Commissioner **James Karell** and **Dennis Cebulski**, the current chairman of the Plymouth Township Planning Commission.

Mann, an attorney and former township police officer, has established a solid track record as township supervisor. Voters should retain his experience, intellect and vision on the township board.

Arnold, a longtime trustee, is pragmatic and independent. Her voice is needed on the new township board.

Karell provides a refreshing change of pace and would be a good addition to the board. A former member of the township planning commission, he's informed and will work hard if elected to the board.

Cebulski, a longtime resident, will bring a wealth of experience to the board. His background as chairman of the planning commission will be an asset on the township board.

Polls open at 7 a.m. Tuesday. Exercise your right to vote.

Truran and McCotter offer voters best choice in congressional race

In a presidential election year, other elections often take a back seat. This year in particular, Michigan will be a major factor in the presidential election. Four years ago, Al Gore squeaked through with a 200,000-vote victory over George W. Bush.

This year's election is expected to be just as close. President Bush and Sen. John Kerry will be criss-crossing Michigan in the next three months in hopes of convincing Michigan voters that they will provide the best leadership for the next four years.

But it is also important that the residents of western Wayne County have a strong voice in the national government. The Republican Party currently controls both houses of Congress, but by only a thin margin.

Voters in Congressional elections often make their choices on more than party ideology, but it is important that they have a clear and honest choice.

In this year's 11th Congressional District election, we believe that union leader Phil Truran will most effectively present the core positions of the Democratic Party in the race against incumbent GOP Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, who is running unopposed in the primary.

Truran of Novi, president of Communications Workers of America Local 4013, is new to politics, but he has taken positions representing the mainstream, centrist Democratic Party. He supports international cooperation in Iraq, tax reform for small businesses, a change in tax priorities and more regulation of health insurers. As a union leader, he is particularly motivated to support what he regards as fairer trade policies that would slow the outsourcing of manufacturing jobs to other countries.

Truran's primary opponent, Mario Fundarski, is a political maverick who has run for Congress in three different congressional districts. He offers some strong views, but they don't represent the mainstream of the Democratic Party. Further, his views supporting an immediate withdrawal from Iraq and opposing Israel are disturbing.

Eleventh District voters deserve to hear a lively debate on the issues from two candidates who represent the core values of their parties. We believe **Phil Truran** and **Thaddeus McCotter** are those candidates.

Wayne County Clerk Cathy Garrett and County Prosecutor Kym Worthy are in the enviable position of not facing any primary opposition in the Democratic primary. Democratic voters will have a choice in the elections for sheriff, treasurer and register of deeds.

But it is also important that the residents of western Wayne County have a strong voice in the national government.

The most heated race is the sheriff's election. Warren Evans was appointed by a special panel to complete the term of Robert Ficano when Ficano became county executive.

Since taking office, Evans has struggled with budget problems, some caused by the rising county deficit, some caused by his decisions on how to use his funding, some caused by mandated services that in Evans' view are not adequately funded.

Evans is opposed by seven other candidates, all with police experience, several as deputies in the sheriff's department. Donald Watts, whom Ficano supported as his replacement, and Anthony Abdallah, with the Inkster Police Department, have administrative experience. They offer solid ideas on the budget problems.

Evans has come under sharp criticism for his handling of the budget and department morale.

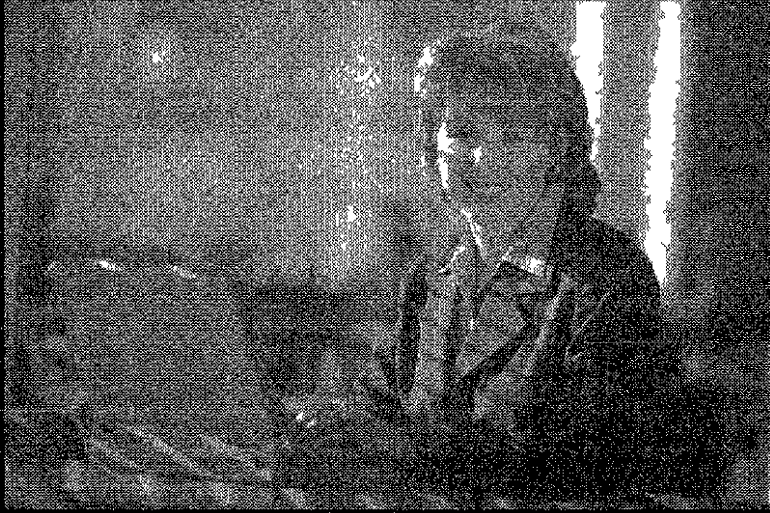
But on balance we believe **Warren Evans** has the experience and the ideas to continue as sheriff. We urge that Evans and Ficano work together to resolve their political and budgetary differences.

While a Democratic nomination to a countywide position is usually tantamount to election, this year Evans will face Republican Bill Lucas in the general election. Lucas was a former sheriff, the county's first executive and a candidate for governor.

In the race for county treasurer, County Commissioner Susan Hubbard has waged a vigorous campaign against incumbent Raymond Wojtowicz. Questions have been raised about Wojtowicz's awarding of contracts and about the timeliness of service. After 28 years, we believe it is time for a change and endorse **Susan Hubbard** for the nomination.

Veteran politician George Hart is challenging first-term incumbent Bernard Youngblood for register of deeds. Youngblood, who is a cousin to the longtime register of deeds Forest Youngblood, has made some progress in improving the efficiency in the office, where a timely posting of documents is essential. We encourage more efforts to modernize operations and we believe **Bernard Youngblood** is the better choice to continue that work.

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John Kerry fans of all ages watch the Democratic National Convention at the Post Bar in Ferndale

Voting is a tough sell to young adults

BY KRISTOPHER J. BROOKS
STAFF WRITER

Only 36 percent of eligible Michigan voters between the ages of 18 and 24 went to the polls in the 2000 presidential election.

This age group has lowest voter turnout in the state, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, which recorded 349,000 registered voters between 18 and 24.

Garden City resident Theo Dobson tried to explain the low turnout.

"Nobody really cares to get out and vote anymore. They figure everybody else will do it for them," the 19-year-old said.

Some reasons Americans give for not voting include being too busy, out of town, uninterested, illness/disability or disapproval of the candidates.

Dearborn Heights resident Christopher Jablonicky, 19, is someone who didn't like the 2000 presidential candidates.

"I think another reason why teens don't vote is because the candidates are older and they have nothing to interact with the younger generation," he said.

Although overall presidential voting turnout in Michigan rose 2 percent from 1996 to 2000, young voters did not contribute to that increase. Their participation rate actually dropped from 38 percent in 1996 to 36 percent in 2000.

People feel like the little people don't matter anymore," said 19-year-old Garden City resident Mitchel Clark, referring to his fellow young adults.

Oakland Democratic Party

member Michael McGuinness agreed, saying, "they are not being directly addressed."

"They aren't voting because their issues aren't being addressed and their issues aren't being addressed because they are not voting," he said.

McGuinness, 20, said a significant amount of the potential young voters are recent high school graduates who have one overall concern.

Things that are unique to them are affording college," he said. "Sometimes it's like playing Russian roulette — trying to get scholarships."

A college education could result in higher turnout.

About 60 percent of Americans with a high school diploma or an associate's degree voted in the 2000 presidential election. People with a doctorate or a similar advanced degree had a 75-percent turnout rate.

When young adults enter college, they may have another set of obstacles keeping them from voting to the polls.

"I have class on election day," said McGuinness, an Oakland University student.

The state of Michigan does not offer voting registration on the day of an election. Also, citizens must be registered to vote 30 days prior to an election.

"These are barriers that could be removed for any citizen to vote," McGuinness said.

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A Michigan resident's address indicated on a driver's license must match the address on a voter registration card and that agitates college students like McGuinness.

"I mean, it's kind of hard to live everyday life as it is," McGuinness said.

However, young adults are pleased with how simple it is to register.

"I had a bunch of people come around my dorm registering people, 20-year-old Troy resident Annie Wilson said.

Garden City resident Timothy Mousel, 19, said explaining how important it is to vote could help improve the turnout rate among young adults.

"Letting people know what's really going on and making the information more accessible," Wilson said.

Dobson said he just wants a forthright president and vice president.

"They have to be honest and they have to have my same issues in mind," he said. "He has to be for the country and they have to want to make it better."

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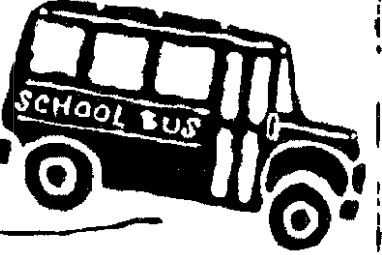
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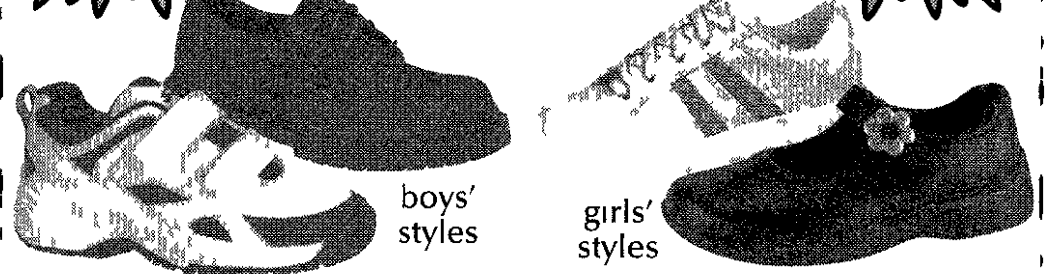
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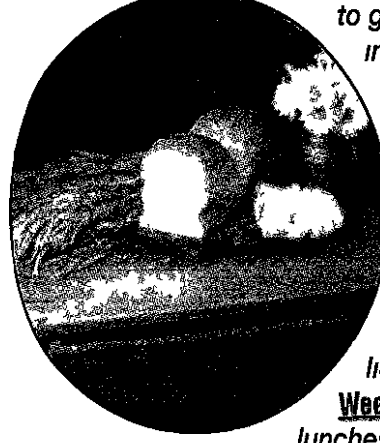
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Excelling in the classroom (3.7 grade-point average) and on the playing fields and courts (13 varsity letters) left Salem graduate Jordan Falcusan little time to rest the past four years

An athlete for all seasons

Hard work earned Falcusan spot in Salem record books

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Most college-bound 18-year-olds are hitting the snooze button on their alarm clock on hot, muggy, mid-summer Saturday mornings, not churning out wind sprints and kicking an endless stream of soccer balls into a net like Salem graduate Jordan Falcusan.

But Falcusan is not your typical college-bound 18-year-old — and she has 13 high school varsity letters to prove it. With a work ethic to match her energy supply, Falcusan earned her way into the Salem record books over the past four years, compiling more letters than any other female athlete in the school's history.

"If Jordan is not the finest female

athlete ever to compete at Salem, there's no doubt she's one of the finest," said Salem athletic director Tom Willette. "There may have been better players at one particular sport — Dena Head, for example, in basketball — but Jordan is probably the best overall female athlete I've seen here."

Amazingly, Falcusan earned varsity letters in five different sports: volleyball (four), soccer (four), basketball (three), track (one) and tennis (one).

During her freshman year, she competed for the varsity soccer and track teams during the same two-month period. She also earned All-State honors twice in soccer and once in volleyball.

What's Falcusan's secret to success? "You definitely can't procrastinate," the 2004 Salem Female Athlete of the

Year quipped. "I was good at managing my time in high school because between school, homework, practices and games I didn't have much free time to manage. When I got home from practice or a game, I couldn't just sit around and do nothing. I had to finish my homework right away."

If you think Falcusan's academics suffered because of her commitment to athletics, think again.

will take a 3.7 high school grade-point average to Texas A&M University in the fall.

"I've never been a good test taker, so I had to work a lot harder at academics than I did at athletics," the future Aggie admitted. "I give my parents a lot of credit for my success. My mom made

PLEASE SEE FALCUSAN, B2

O&E golf tourney will crown new champ

BY PAUL BEAUDRY
STAFF WRITER

There is one certainty with this year's annual Observer and Eccentric Golf tournament: there will be a new men's champion.

Other than that, the field is wide open heading into the event to be held in Livonia on Aug. 14-15.

Defending men's champion Dave Higham, who recently stepped down as the Livonia Churchill boys golf coach, won't be able to defend his crown after turning professional and taking an assistant pro's job at Western Golf and Country Club in Redford.

"And that's the only way I wouldn't come back," said Higham. "I can't play because I'm now a professional."

But that leaves the field wide open — on the men's side anyway. The 36-hole tourney begins with 18 holes at Fox Creek Golf Course on Aug. 14 and 18 more at Whispering Willows on Aug. 15.

The field also included an 18-hole women's open last year for the first time in 15 years, won by Livonia's Nancy Rhatigan with an easy 10-stroke win.

The jury is still out on the field this year — a field notorious for late entries.

"They usually don't start coming in until the final week," said Paul Worley, who runs the tournament. "I think this year, a few more women will get involved."

The tourney runs \$95 for the men and \$50 for the women with the great possibility of a skins game as well. The entry fee includes golf but not a riding cart, a gift bag for entering and prizes. All entrants must have a current handicap to participate.

The entry deadline is at 6 p.m. Saturday, but Worley, the head pro at Whispering Willows said he may take some late entries.

For more information on the tourney, please call (248) 476-4493.

Sidelines

Roth misses cut

Salem High graduate Jeff Roth shot an even-par 144 over the first two rounds of the Professional Golfers Association's Buick Open at Warwick Hills Golf Course in Grand Blanc Thursday and Friday, missing the cut by four shots.

Roth, who is the head golf professional at Knollwood Country Club in West Bloomfield, will be competing on the PGA Tour again Aug. 12-15 in the PGA Championship, which will be held at Whistling Straits Golf Course in Kohler, Wis.

Hornets sign Hess

Joe Hess, a recent Canton graduate and a captain on last fall's Chiefs soccer team, has signed to play soccer this fall at Kalamazoo College. As a senior, Hess was selected first team All-Observer, first team All-Conference, first team All-District, first All-Region and a member of the All-State Soccer Team.

Reds tryouts

The Canton Reds U-12 and U-14 travel baseball teams will be holding tryouts for the 2005 season later this month.

Tryouts for both teams will be held Aug. 9-10 at Canton's Heritage Park, field 1. Registration will begin at 5:45 p.m., with tryouts running from 6-8 p.m. Both teams will be playing between 35-45 games from May through July.

Players interested in playing on the U-12 team must be 12 years old or younger as of July 31, 2005.

Players interested in playing on the U-14 team must be 14 years old or younger as of July 31, 2005.

Ron Goble and Jeff Hoeman will coach the U-12 team.

Goble and Doug Bricker will coach the U-14 squad.

For more information regarding either team, call (248) 885-2306.

Fall softball

The Plymouth Recreation Department will be coordinating two men's fall softball mini-leagues beginning the week of Sept. 7 at Don Massey Field in Plymouth.

A Men's Class D league will play on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and a Men's Open Class will play on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Registration for new teams will run from Aug. 9-13, or until the league is full. Registration is for teams only.

For more information, contact the Plymouth Recreation Department at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302, or go to the City of Plymouth Web site at www.ci.plymouth.mi.us

Golf tryouts

Tryouts for the Plymouth High boys golf team are scheduled for Thursday and Friday at 1 p.m. at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at the intersection of Napier and Ford roads.

Plymouth friends finish 1-2 in junior golf event

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Two good friends written in two great performances Wednesday in the Mutual of Omaha Drive, Chip & Putt Junior Challenge held at the Strategic Fox Golf Course driving range in Plymouth Township.

Fourteen-year-old Plymouth residents Tyler Jeleniewski and Aaron Seubert, who play golf together regularly during the summer months, finished first and second, respectively, in the 13-14 age group.

The approximately 50 players in each of the four age groups accumulated points based on how well they hit two drives, three chips and two putts.

"Tyler and Aaron golfed together in a foursome just about every day this summer," said Jerry Seubert, Aaron's dad. "So it's neat that they finished first and second."

Jeleniewski won the competition by hitting his drive 236 yards, knocking one of his chips to within two feet of the hole, making a five-foot putt and just missing a 15-footer.

"It's a great format because to win it, you have to be a well-rounded player," said Rich Jeleniewski, Tyler's dad.

Fourteen-year-old Plymouth residents Tyler Jeleniewski and Aaron Seubert, who play golf together regularly during the summer months, finished first and second, respectively, in the 13-14 age group.

By finishing in the top three in their age group, both players earned the right to compete in the challenge's regional competition later this month at Treetops Resort in Gaylord. The age-group winners at Treetops qualify for a berth in the national championship in Orlando, Fla.

Both Jeleniewski and Seubert will also have their names displayed briefly Tuesday night on the Golf Channel.

Undoubtedly, they'll be watching it together — if they've finished their daily rounds by then.



Members of the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers dried off July 7 after they completed the Motor City Mile in the Detroit River. Pictured are (front row left to right) Monica Blaesser (Plymouth), Heather Michalsen (Plymouth), Megan Hodges (Plymouth), Lucy Xu (Canton), Whitney Aumiller (Canton), Kelley Hodges (Plymouth), (middle row) Adam Seroka (Plymouth), Heather Jefferson (Westland), Kate Musson (Plymouth), Mary Sherada (Livonia), Kelsey Lincoln (Canton), Jill Peterson (Westland), Kaitlyn Jefferson (Westland), Casey Peterson (Westland), (back row) Rob Blaesser (Plymouth), Aaron Reeder (Canton), Andrew Drennen (Wayne) and Nick Dixon (Plymouth).

P-C Cruisers swim for charitable foundation

On July 7, 21 members of the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers, an age group swim team, braved the bone-chilling Detroit River to compete in the Motor City Mile, an annual event that raises money for the Lance Armstrong Foundation, a charity that assists cancer patients and provides funding for cancer research.

This year's event took place just off the shores of Belle Isle and included events that ranged in distance from one-half mile to five kilometers (approximately 3.1 miles).

Over \$12,000 was raised for the charity. "We had our largest group ever attend the event this year," said Cruiser coach Aaron Reeder. "It was a great team-building experience, not only because the team was getting together outside of the pool, but also because they helped raise money for a great cause. We hope to double the number of swimmers that we bring to next year's event."

The Cruisers finished in second place, winning \$500, which was

PLEASE SEE CRUISERS, B3

P-C Pride hit 50-win mark

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth-Canton Pride 12-and-under girls fast-pitch softball team didn't win the USSSA Fast-Pitch World Series this week at the Canton Softball Center, but they did finish off an impressive 50-win season.

The Pride went 2-4 in the 56-team national tournament, which left their overall mark at 50-25.

"We hit 50 wins, which was great, but we couldn't do too much after that," said coach Dan Bressler. "The girls had a great year,

though. They grew as a team so much throughout the season. I'm very proud of each and every one of them."

Highlights of the World Series for the Pride were their two victories — a 10-0 triumph over the Brighton Bandits and a 6-0 white-washing of the Ohio Lady Liberty.

Pitcher Amy Dunleavy picked up both mound victories for the Pride, who received strong defensive efforts from CarolAnn Sexauer and Miranda Rysdorp.

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FALCUSAN

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sure I put a lot of time into my school work while my dad was the one who signed me up for all the sports camps and leagues. At least one of my parents attended just about every one of my games.

"They've both sacrificed a lot for me, too. Participating in sports can be expensive, so I'm sure there were times my mom would be shopping and say to herself, 'Should I buy this shirt, or sign Jordan up for soccer?'"

Much to the dismay of Falcusan's opponents, the shirt usually found its way back onto the shelf.

"Jordan is probably the most driven person I've ever met," said Salem soccer coach Joe Nora. "Every year I thought she would wear down when soccer season arrived (in the spring), but it never happened."

"She would do whatever needed to be done on the field. When there was a ball in the air and Jordan and a player from another team would go up for it, Jordan would get it 90 percent of the time."

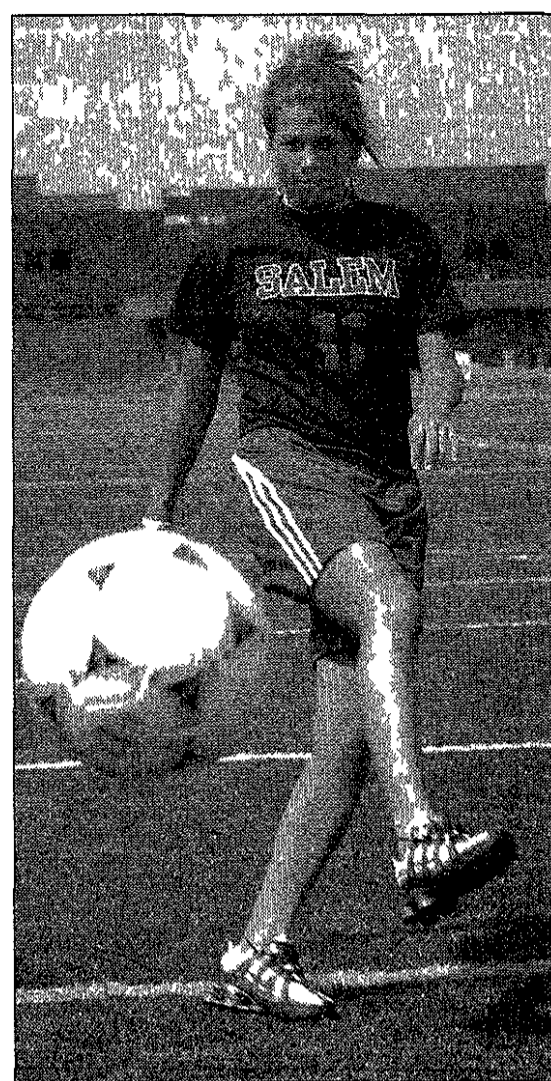
While extremely fast and athletic, Falcusan competes with a reckless-abandon style that at times leaves tables, fences and opponents in her wake.

"In volleyball, I would dive over the scorer's table to get the ball if I had to," she said, describing her all-out attitude. "When I played tennis for the first time this past spring, there would be times when the ball would get by me and it looked like I didn't have a chance to get to it, but I would dive for it or crash into the fence to return it. Sometimes, the other girls would look at me like I was crazy, but that's how I've always played. Whatever it takes."

Tom Teeters, Falcusan's high school volleyball coach, said he has coached few athletes with Falcusan's extraordinary combination of effort and ability.

"Jordan would take on new challenges every year to make herself a better player," Teeters said. "She is a phenomenal athlete who worked hard throughout her career."

"There's no doubt in my mind she could play



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jordan Falcusan will be taking her dynamic soccer skills to Texas A&M this fall.

volleyball in college if she wanted to. Falcusan's quest for varsity letters will continue next week when she leaves for Texas A&M, where she received a full-ride athletic scholarship to play soccer.

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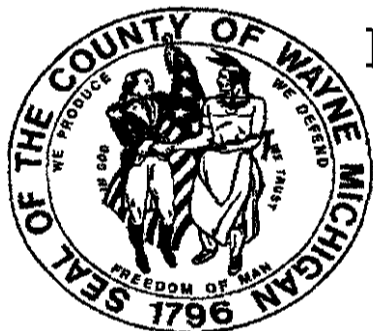
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We ask the vendor community to work with the County to respect our governmental processes and protect the County Treasury. As public officials, we treat the public trust with the utmost respect and guard the public treasury with the utmost caution.

ROBERT A. FICANO
WAYNE COUNTY EXECUTIVE
Bella I. Marshall
Chief Financial Officer



Indians prevail in CCJSBA

The Indians captured their third consecutive World Series title in the Canton Community Junior Softball and Baseball Association's 12 and-under baseball league, defeating the Athletics 11-3 in the championship game. Jake Burnstein, Chris Kordick, Andy Dodge and Troy McParlane pitched for the winners in the final game. The remaining members of the team are Charlie Clark, J.R. Hope, Josh Johnston, Erik Lee, Michael Maciag, Sam Rector, Doug Shepherd and Jordan Smith. Don Clark, Art Maciag and Matt McParlane served as the team's coaches. The team manager is Patty Kordick and the equipment manager is Gordon Rector.

MICHIGAN MILE RESULTS

Following are how members of the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers fared in the Michigan Mile held July 7 in the Detroit River.

- 5 K. omer Sw m
- Boys 15 and-over: Nick Dixon (2nd place)
- Girls 15 and-over: Mary Shereda (4th)
- 1 M. e Swim

- Boys 15 and-over: Andrew Drennen (5th)
- Girls 15 and-over: Jill Peterson (6th), Kelsey Lincoln (11th), Heather Michalson (12th), Kate Musson (18th) and Megan Hodges (28th)
- Girls 14 and under: Kelley Hodges (3rd), Monica Blasser (9th), Ka Ilyn Jefferson (16th), Lucy Xu (17th) and Whitney Aumiller (21st)
- Boys 12 and under: Adam Seroka (1st)
- Girls 12 and under: Lauren Seroka (5th), Dan elle Mcleay (10th), Casey Peterson (11th) and Abby Aumiller (13th)

CRUISERS

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donated back to the Lance Armstrong Foundation. Supporting the foundation had quite an impact on many of the swimmers. "This event is especially important to me because my family has struggled a lot with cancer in the past, but it's because of events like these that we have been successful in our fight against cancer," said 17-year-old Nick Dixon, who swam the five-kilometer race. "We got the opportunity to raise money for cancer research and raise awareness about how serious of a problem cancer is in our world today, while at the same

time having fun." The challenging nature of the course benefited the swimmers. "I gained confidence in myself and my ability to swim well under any conditions," said 17-year-old Andrew Drennen, who swam the mile. "The Motor City Mile forced me to face obstacles that I never would encounter in a pool, so when I finished, I felt an awesome amount of self-confidence and achievement." Cold water and seaweed aside, the swimmers enjoyed the event. "I liked swimming the race, but I didn't like the seaweed," said Lauren Seroka, 10, who swam the half-mile. "I was glad when the race was over because the water was so cold. It was a lot of fun, though."

Michigan Supreme Court rules in favor of MHSAA

The Michigan Supreme Court confirmed in a 5-2 decision yesterday that the Michigan High School Athletic Association is not a public body within the meaning of the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. Affirming a March 6, 2003, holding of the Michigan Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court ruled that the MHSAA is funded neither by nor through a governmental authority, is not a creation of either state or local government, and is not an agent of its member schools, which join voluntarily by school board resolution annually.

This will not change how we operate, providing full accessibility for the public," said Jack Roberts, executive director of the MHSAA. Our success as an organization is the result of our

good service to schools and their constituents. At the same time, the MHSAA's private status helps to keep politics out of school sports. Roberts added that the Michigan Supreme Court's decision yesterday is interesting for its position on issues that have been discussed in the sports seasons case by the United States District Court in Kalamazoo and the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals earlier this week. The Michigan Supreme Court rejected the holding of the U.S. District Court in the sports seasons case that schools have delegated control of interscholastic athletics to the MHSAA, something which is prohibited by Michigan law. The Court of Appeals did not

address the issue in its Opinion released on Tuesday. The Michigan Supreme Court rejected the argument that the holdings of the U.S. Supreme Court in a case involving the Tennessee High School Athletic Association which made the Tennessee organization a state actor automatically makes the MHSAA a state actor, and it rejected the argument that a state actor must be automatically subject to the Michigan Freedom of Information Act. The MHSAA is a private, not-for-profit corporation of volun-

tary membership by over 1,800 public and private senior high schools and junior high/middle schools which exists to develop common rules for athletic eligibility and competition. No government funds or tax dollars support the MHSAA, which was the first such association nationally to not accept membership dues or tournament entry fees from schools. Member schools which enforce these rules are permitted to participate in MHSAA tournaments, which attract approximately 1.6 million spectators each year.

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August is preparation month for avid bowlers

The month of August is upon us and my question is Why doesn't winter go by as swiftly as summer?



Ten Pin Alley
Al Harrison

August is always a busy month for bowlers as they prepare for the upcoming season. As for team captains, have you checked with your team members to be sure they are all returning? And league officers, have you recruited some new individuals and/or teams in order to get a bigger and stronger league? Also, have the officers made plans to attend the upcoming seminars conducted by the local associations?

Lastly, is your local bowling center staging activities for the returning bowlers?

Example Jim Hamlin, proprietor of Country Lanes in Farmington Hills, is putting on a league officers party later this week and will also hold a league appreciation day in another two weeks, the day and time of the league's scheduled opener.

The most notable of all, however, is the upcoming John P. Gavie Memorial Tournament, 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 23, at Thunderbowl Lanes in Allen Park.

Labor Day week is the traditional start of most leagues, depending on how it is scheduled. Some open the week before Sept. 6, but most leagues start right after the holiday.

Are you a new bowler or one who is looking for a league? If so, there are many ways to get situated that will fit your needs, both from a skill level and the social comfort aspect.

Translation Find a league where your average or potential average would fit in with most of the other bowlers. You would not enjoy being at a 155 average competing against 190 and 200 average bowlers.

Visit the prior year's standing sheets where all of the bowlers are listed with their averages. From a social standpoint, the same sheet will list the names of the league members because you might already know some of them. See if you can attend their preseason meeting to introduce yourself and mingle.

Bowlers come in many shapes and sizes, so try to meet a few and ask them about the league. If you like what you see, you will want to join.

Remember, joining a league is a commitment. Please do not sign on and then not show up, no excuses. This could cause an unbalanced league that would cause problems for the rest of the season.

League bowling is where the action is. The competition is really good because many leagues use the handicap system, which in essence, levels the playing field and makes it possible for a 155 average bowler to compete with the 190 and 200 hot shooters.

The high scoring leagues usually bowl 'scratch' (with no handicap) and if you are at that ability level, there are some classic and all star leagues all over the area.

In today's bowling world, the growth areas have been in mixed leagues (where both

genders bowl together) and youth leagues (mostly on Saturdays when school is out).

More and more kids are learning to bowl and to love the game. Most kids who are in organized bowling stay out of trouble, as their mind is occupied by wanting to be a good bowler.

As our aging population live longer and healthier lives, the senior leagues are another area of growth of bowling. It's a perfect activity and there are plenty of senior bowlers around who are able to enjoy life more in the golden years through bowling.

The Greater Detroit Bowling Association has just released the new yearbook stockpiled with information.

It has all of the league averages of every sanctioned male or female adult bowler, as well as records of all 300 games and 800 series. It also lists all the officers and directors of the associations, including the Detroit Women's Bowling Association, All-City teams, latest up-to-date statistics and general information.

It's also the official listing for averages to be used in leagues or tournaments.

The yearbook can be purchased for \$5 and every league gets one for their own use. Every bowling center has yearbooks at the counter from their particular local association, they are kept there for everyone's convenience. This comes in handy at the beginning of the new season for verifying averages and is normally what most leagues go by in placing new members.

Al Harrison is a resident of Livonia and a director of the Greater Detroit Bowling Association. He can be reached at (248)477-1839.

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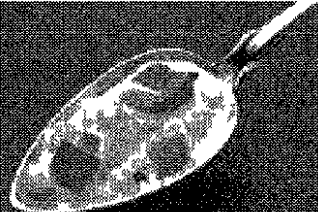
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Schoolcraft College A.D. Kavanaugh steps down

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

There's going to be a changing of the guard in the athletic department at Schoolcraft College

Ed Kavanaugh, who has been a part-time athletic director since 1998, has resigned, but will remain as a full-time tenured mathematics professor.

Cheryl Wright, dean of student services, will oversee the department following the promotion of John Toney to executive vice-president Joyce Gaudio, formerly a secretary for retired Vice-President of Instruction Louis Reibling, started as coordinator of athletics only July 1

"It's a disappointment to lose an athletic director who has been as successful as Ed Kavanaugh," said a Schoolcraft College press release from Marty Heator, Director of Marketing. "We're grateful for all he has done for our student-athletes and for the way in which he has represented Schoolcraft at the state level."

"So even though he is stepping down from his role with athletics, he'll still be here teaching mathematics and helping our students succeed"

Kavanaugh coached two stunts of women's basketball at Schoolcraft after a highly successful prep coaching career at Livonia Ladywood High School, where he won state

Class B titles (1983 and '85) Under Kavanaugh's second term as AD, Schoolcraft captured the Michigan Community College Athletic Association's All-Sports Trophy four times (2004, '03, '02 and '01) and was named MCCA Athletic Director of the Year in 2002 Schoolcraft teams earned national tournament berths in women's volleyball, men's and women's basketball, along with men's and women's soccer during his watch

"It was just time to do it, the time was right now," said Kavanaugh, who has taught at Schoolcraft for 23 years "I'll miss it intently, but I also love teaching"

As far as his replacement, Heator issued this prerequisite for the part-time position, which will be posted internally and externally until 4:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 13

"There is more to the job than hiring and supervising coaches," Heator said "The athletic director is the liaison between the athletes and the coaches, and our college's student-support system. The director also schedules and plans home contests, and coordinates summer camps that bring hundreds of local athletes to our campus. We're looking for someone with the ability to maintain relationships with a variety of constituencies"

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Jet Box edges Rams, 3-2

Karl Novick's RBI single in the bottom of the ninth inning scored Matt Viggiano to give Troy-based Jet Box, an unlimited-age National Amateur Baseball Federation team, to a 3-2 exhibition victory Wednesday at Fraser H.S. over the 20-and-under Michigan Rams Jet Box, headed to the NABF World Series, improved

to 29-10. The Rams, who open All-American Amateur Baseball Association Tournament play Aug. 9 in Johnstown, Pa. after finishing runner-up to the Michigan Bulls in the Livonia Collegiate Baseball League, are 21-10-1 overall.

Tim Frankhouse collected two of Jet Box's five hits

FALL BASEBALL

The Canton Community Junior Baseball and Softball Association will be holding registration for the 2004 Open Fall Co-Ed Baseball season on Saturday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The registration will be held in the Arts II room in the Summit in the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton

Registration is open to boys and girls ages 4-13 who are residents of Canton or Plymouth, or those who attend school in the Plymouth Canton Community Schools district

All registrants must show proof of age and residency at the time of registration. Fees will range from \$70 to \$110 for recreation leagues

Forms are also available in the lobby of the Summit and can be mailed in with a copy of the player's birth certificate and fee to the address printed on the flier. Parents of players aged 14-18 should contact the Canton Softball Center at (734) 483-5600 or Bob Unis at (734) 454-5725 for more information and registration forms

Practices will begin at the end of August with games beginning after Labor Day. The season runs until the end of October

Those parents interested in coaching should note their interest on the registration form

WILDCAT GOLF OUTING

A golf outing to benefit the Plymouth High School athletic department will be held Sunday, Sept. 19, at Hickory Creek Golf Course, located at the intersection of Ford and Napier roads

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The camp is also run by certified AAU and CYO volleyball coaches and has a \$75 fee

For more information, please call Kim Price at (734) 635-7498

JOHN GLENN REUNION

Westland John Glenn will stage a football reunion for all former players and coaches, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 1-2

A schedule of events includes meeting at half-time for the football homecoming game (Oct. 1), as well as an informal dinner (Oct. 2) at the Wayne-Ford Civic League Hall

The cost for the weekend is \$20 per player (includes awards, hall rental, refreshments, and picture CD of the reunion)

For more information, e-mail Mark Jennings at mjennings@twmrr.com

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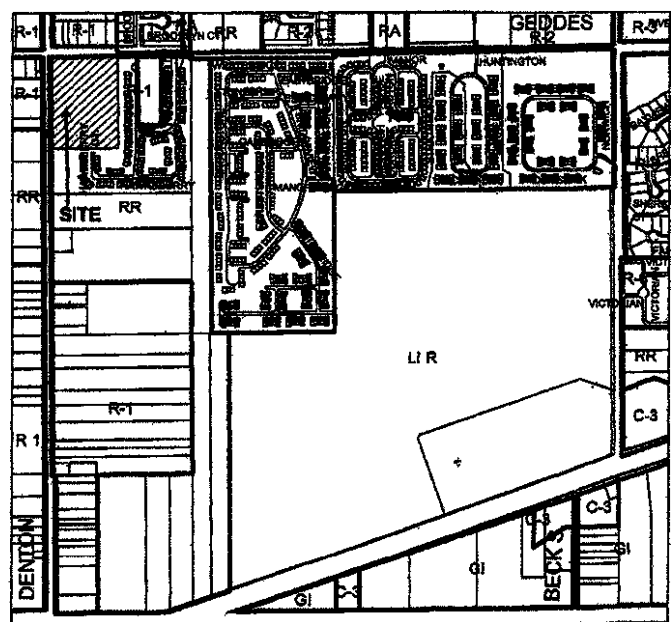
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan, as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 23, 2004 in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

CISMAN REZONING CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO 126 99 0008 001 FROM R 1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO R-3, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL. Property is located at the southeast corner of Geddes and Denton Roads



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday August 19 2004 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review

VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Notice is given that on 8/06/04 at 10 am at Mayflower Auto Transport, 1179 Starkweather Plymouth, MI a public auction of the following

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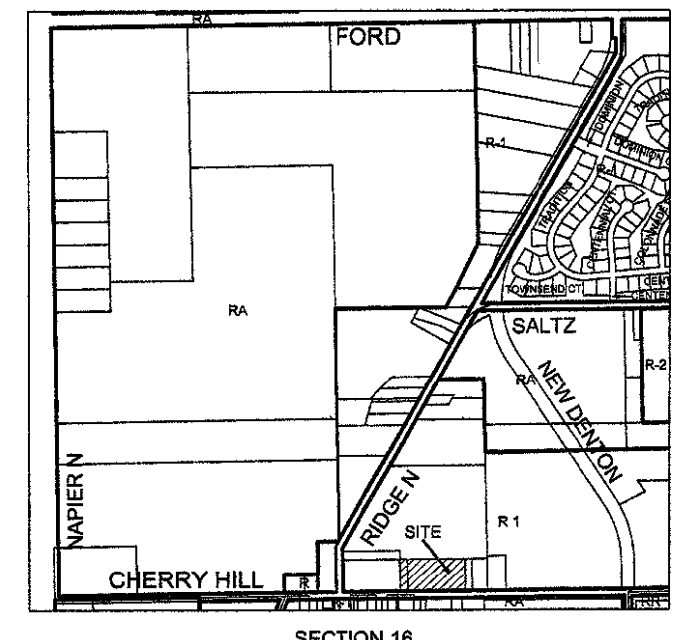
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 9, 2004 in the **Chestnut Room, at Summit On The Park, 46000 Summit Parkway at 7:00 p.m.** on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

CHERRYWOOD PARC PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PDD) (PRELIMINARY PLAN) CONSIDER REQUEST TO ESTABLISH A PDD AS PERMITTED IN SECTION 27 04 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE INCLUSIVE OF PARCEL NO(S) 072 99 0018 000 AND 072 99 0019 000 Property is located north of Cherry Hill and east of Ridge Road (First Public Hearing.)



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday August 5, 2004 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review

Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2004 7:00 PM (734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Planning Commission will be held in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall to consider the following

PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPECIAL USE APPROVAL SP 04-05 Sell/Display Vehicles (Scooters)
200 W. Ann Arbor Rd.
ZONED: ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor
APPLICANT: Land Brothers LLC

SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR: USE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL APPROVAL/SITE PLAN APPROVAL
SP 04-06 parking lot/Screening wall
260 W. Ann Arbor Rd.
ZONED: ARC, Ann Arbor Road Corridor
APPLICANT: Patrick Tortora

All interested persons are invited to attend

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting/hearing, to individuals with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids or services may be made by writing or calling the following

Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
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PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP ADVERTISEMENT

Sealed proposals will be received for construction of the "Golf View Lane Sanitary Sewer Replacement" by Plymouth Charter Township as Owner, until 2:30 PM Local Time on August 6, 2004 at the office of the Clerk, Plymouth Township Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read

General Description of Work

Replace approximately 104 lineal feet of existing 8" ABS Sanitary Sewer with 104 lineal feet of 8" Ductile Iron Pipe. This work includes the sawcut and replacement of existing asphalt pavement and concrete curb and gutter

Plans and specifications may be examined at the Plymouth Township Hall. Copies may be obtained at the office of Dietrich Bailey and Associates, P.C., 107 South Main Street Plymouth, Michigan on, or after August 2, 2004 by making a payment of \$25.00 for each set which will not be refunded. Bid documents will be mailed for an additional charge of \$5.00

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a Certified Check in the amount of 5% of the bid payable to the Owner as security for acceptance of the contract. A bid bond in the Michigan Standard Form issued by an approved surety company may be furnished in lieu of a Certified Check

No bidder may withdraw his proposal within 60 days after the date set for the opening thereof

The Owner reserves the right to waive any and all irregularities or informalities contained herein, or to select any bid or proposal in whole or in part which is deemed to be in the Township's best interest

The Owner will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or disability in employment or the delivery of services

Signed MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Plymouth Charter Township

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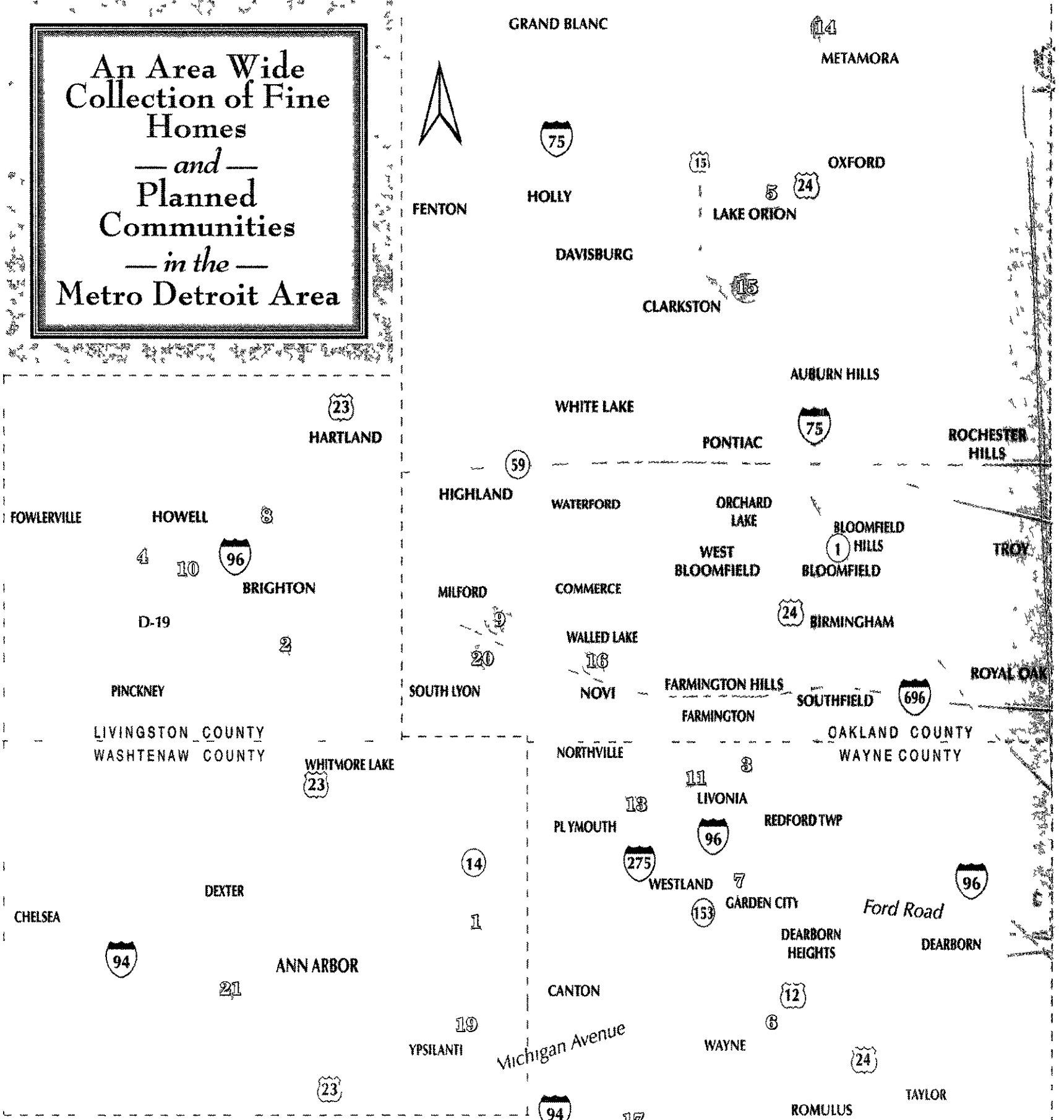


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Debra Madonna

Where the pavement ends

In 1993, the NorthWest Canton Homeowners Association's (NWCHA) Beautification Committee obtained signatures of 800 residents, support of Canton, Plymouth and Superior townships boards of trustees and approval of Wayne County to designate 3 129 miles of Napier, Gyde, Joy and Ridge roads as Natural Beauty Roads (NBR)

Legislation provides that 'sound forest management principles' be applied in order to protect and conserve the natural vegetation on the right-of-way of a Natural Beauty Road from substantial damage or clear cutting Twenty-eight Michigan counties have Natural Beauty Roads, totaling 212 miles

The NWCHA is an organization that supports homeowners who live in the four square miles in northwestern Canton Township bounded by Joy, Ford, Beck and Napier roads Its purpose is to maintain a rural atmosphere, preserve native vegetation and wildlife monitor new development on road side vegetation, participate in township decision-making processes and work with county and state officials

Dick Dionne, president of NWCHA, and his wife, Joanne have strong roots to this community and to the northwest corner of Canton As new housing developments are built, Dick believes that thoughtful, caring people can best effect decisions through a respectful exchange of information and a reasoned and logical discussion

Dick is as invested in finding intelligent solutions as he is to preserving the beauty of the natural resources of the area Dick's spirit of cooperation seems to be a trait that is shared by many of the residents of northwest Canton including those who live in Pilgrim Hills Pilgrim Hills is a subdivision of one of a kind homes, built on large, wooded lots on rolling hills, located at Warren and Napier roads

Dick said, Elaine Jeris, another NWCHA member and Pilgrim Hills resident, enlisted the help of Pheasant Ridge residents for the annual spring roadside cleanup They were happy to be asked to help

And when Pilgrim Hills homeowners became concerned about the impact an upcoming sewer and water project would have on their homes and property, resident Barb Rochowiak, said she was 'proud of everyone in the neighborhood Neighbors talked to neighbors and listened to each other They were proactive, gathered information and worked with township officials until they found a solution that was satisfactory'

Engineers will use an existing boring method which will allow them to install sewer and water lines, protect natural plant life and have a minimal impact on the landscape in Pilgrim Hills Work will begin on the sewer and water project in the fall and will take a few months to complete

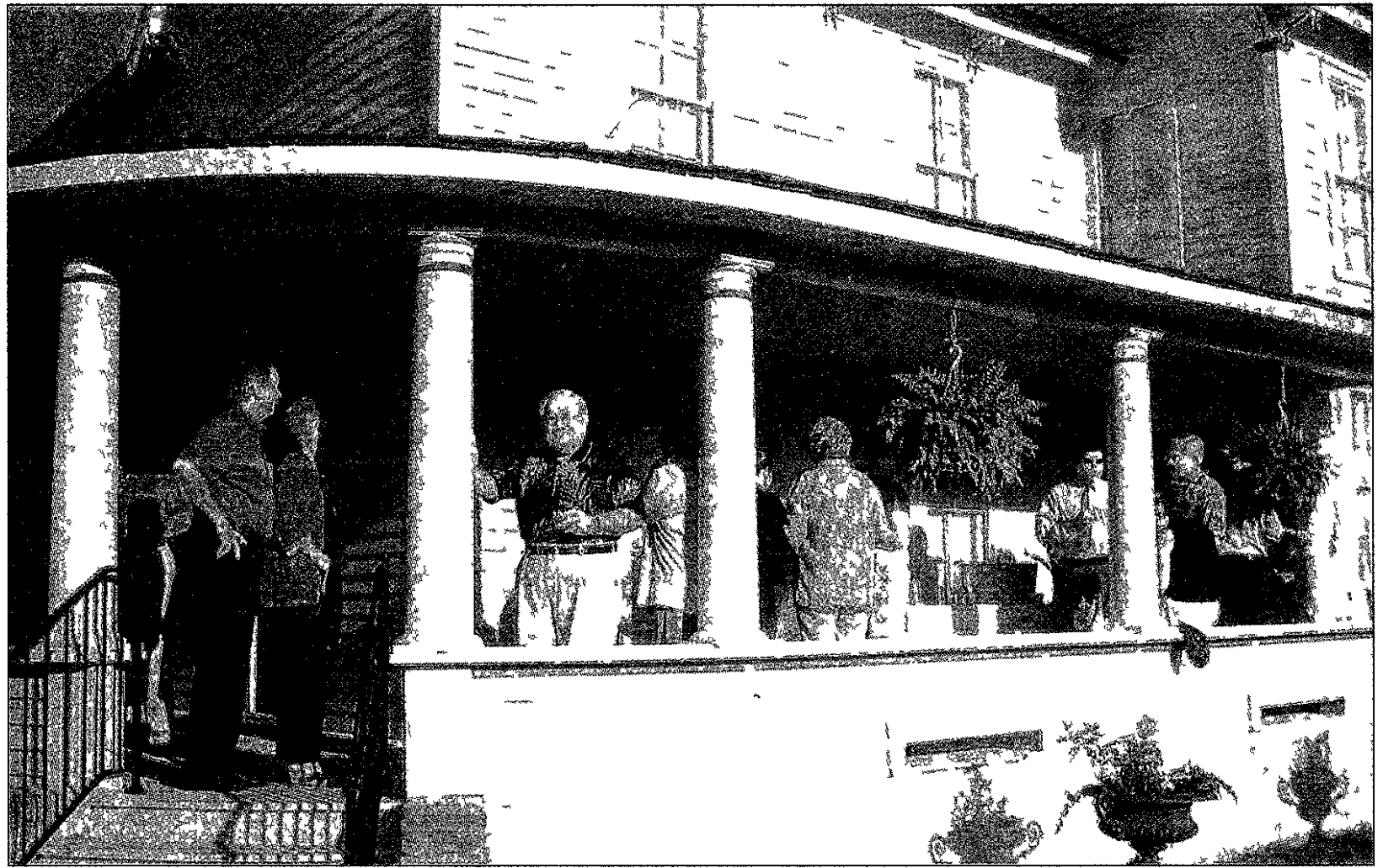
People working together to take care of their neighborhood is also part of the natural beauty of this area It's a welcome reminder of how all the old farmers helped each other and how they talked to friends and neighbors about what was going on in their community (Except farmers use the word 'crops' instead of vegetation)

Thanks to the Northwest Canton Homeowners Association, four of Michigan's 111 picturesque Natural Beauty Roads are located in the Plymouth-Canton area

And thanks to NWCHA, next spring you can take a walk and find trillium forests where the pavement ends

Deb Madonna is a Plymouth Township resident and a regular contributor to the Observer She can be reached via e mail at clarion@storytellerdesign.com

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David Travis descendant of the Travis family for whom the historic house in Cherry Hill Village is named, on the house porch with friends and family, including his wife Donna (Hunt) Below, Debra Janego, daughter of David Travis (at left) with harpist and friend Juliana Jayko at the gathering at the Bartlett-Travis house in July

Coming home

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

It was a homecoming in many ways when Debra and Rick Janego decided to throw a party in July in a historic Canton house

The Ann Arbor couple invited 50 relatives and friends for hors d'oeuvres beer and wine in the Bartlett-Travis House in historic Cherry Hill Village at Ridge and Cherry Hill

And it was all about location, location, location The party was held in the home owned by Debra's ancestors more than 100 years ago

As a young girl she remembered hearing about the house where her father, Dave Travis, worked as a boy on his grandparents farm Travis 70 regularly traveled from Plymouth, where he lived with his family, to the Canton homestead

The property was sold many times and was finally donated to the township Now it's used for recreational events and is rented out for weddings and parties

But the Greek Revival house was much different years ago when Travis was a child

The Bartlett-Travis House was likely built in 1838, according to Melissa McLaughlin, Canton Township trustee and vice chair of the historical commission

Thomas Bartlett married Maria Blackman in 1823 and together they purchased the house and property at Canton Center and Warren from Maria's parents

It was originally very simple But after many renovations and additions, today it's about 3,000 square

Descendants return for a party, memories and tour of the Bartlett-Travis House

feet and incorporates Greek Revival, Italianate and Colonial Revival architectural styles

The Travis link came when William Travis bought the property in 1908 for \$5,400 The family owned it until 1954 and it went through a series of owners until it was finally purchased by Ken Divdick, a local realtor, who planned to convert it into an office

The costs to bring it up to code to meet disability standards, however, were too steep and he gave it to the township for a donation if it were moved off the property

He didn't want to see the house destroyed and offered it to the township for a donation if we moved it McLaughlin said We took the house

In 1989 Canton moved the house to five acres in the Cherry Hill Village Canton received \$50,000 from state grant funds and matched it with another \$50,000 to transport the house to the current historic district fix the roof and make other changes

Today, it's open for events sponsored by Cantons Leisure Services Department including holiday decoration tours and the popular Corn and Hot Dog Roast every August

But before it became a public building, it was a family homestead

Debra and Rick, of Ann Arbor, hosted the party to honor Debra's parents, Dave and Donna Travis, who have homes in Bellare and Fort Myers, Fla.

I did this so my father would have a chance to tour the house,' Debra said 'It gave everyone a chance to tour the house'

Debra was impressed by the decor, which she called 'fantastic and on par with the detail paid to homes in Greenfield Village

The kitchen, for example, showcases many of the staples of the time, including pink Tower Spode dishes and a flowing well that 'was unheard of at the time'

Each room had special features, like hand-painted and screened wallpaper,' Debra said

One room has an Eastlake cherry bedroom set with

blue velvet in the drawers and pink marble tops

The restoration was just outstanding,' Debra said There was a quality in the wood planks and furnishing My father was surprised how large it was, too'

Debra's son, David, and her sister, Durinda Smith, of Saline, were among the guests A third sister, from Jacksonville, Fla., couldn't attend

Debra asked her friend, Juliana Jayko, a harpist, to perform while guests enjoyed the evening The Scottsdale, Ariz., resident played a 1915 Lyon and Healy harp in the sitting room while guests mingled and toured the home

Ultimately the hope is that the Bartlett Travis House will include a big barn for dances, art classes and other programs McLaughlin said

It's another piece of our heritage that we've been able to preserve and have people be part of,' she added



Irish native brings his music back to Canton

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

When Alan Cullen was 18 years old, he was attending services at an Evangelical church in his native Dublin, Ireland

'Music is my greatest passion,' he said 'Suddenly, during the service, I felt moved to go to a piano and sing a song I had written'

He laughed at the memory 'You just don't do that in Ireland,' he said

He asked the minister if he could sing a song and the minister told him to go ahead

'After the service an American approached me and said, 'We need you and your music in America'

Cullen was a bit puzzled 'I thought, what's this Yankee trying to sell me?' he recalled

But the 'Yankee,' Kevin DeVries, at that time a Canton resident who was active in the youth and teenage ministry of Tri-City Christian Center in Canton, meant what he said

And a few years later, Cullen stepped off the plane at Detroit Metro Airport for the beginning of an 11-month course — a kind of hands-on ministry — with the Tri-City Christian Center

When Cullen and his hosts arrived at

the center, he saw her

She had blonde hair and blue eyes, he said And I said, This is it

'She' was Kelly Smith, daughter of Jane and Bruce Smith, of Canton She was 19, he was 21 at the time She's a graduate of Salem High School and Eastern Michigan University, with a degree in communications

'Unfortunately, as part of my commitment to the course, I had pledged not to date for the duration,' Cullen said 'But one day after it was over, I was on her doorstep with a bouquet of flowers'

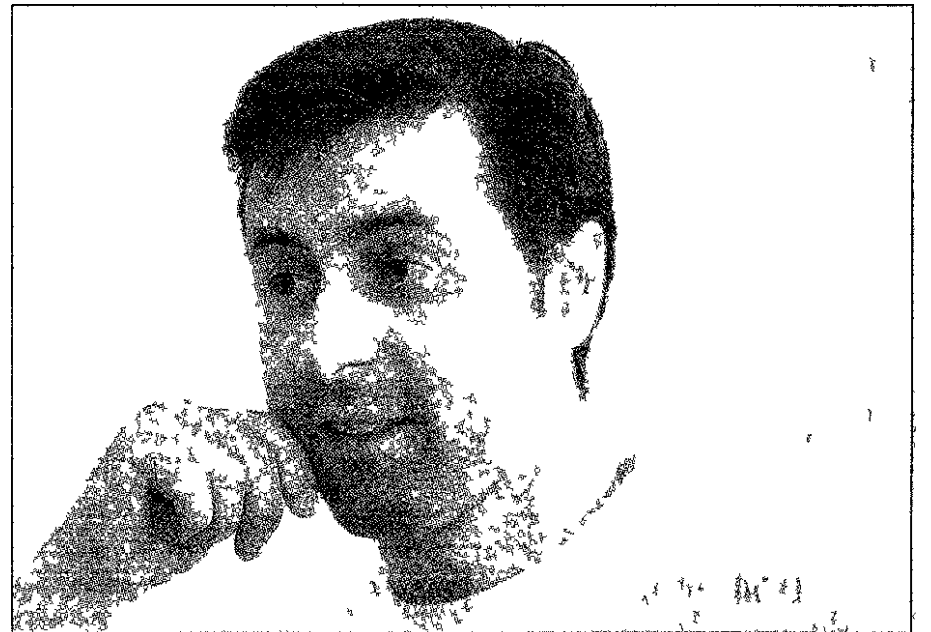
Cullen's 11-month course turned into a six-year stay as a staff member of the Tri-City Christian Center He lived in Plymouth during that time and eventually he and Kelly were married

After six years here, the couple returned to Ireland — to Galway this time — where they are in the process of setting up an evangelical church in Galway's city center The opening is scheduled for Sept 12

He and Kelly recently spent five weeks back in the U.S., spreading the word and raising money for the project

'We were just traveling around, going to different churches, raising awareness,' he said

Ironically, Cullen did not start out to



MONICA FOUTS | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Alan Cullen, a native of Dublin Ireland, recently returned to Canton, where he had completed a ministry with the Tri-City Christian Center

join the ministry

I studied business studies at the City Center of Dublin,' he said 'My brother went to England, got a religion degree and now he works in business'

Alan has recorded one CD of religious music and was recording another

one while he was back in the United States

For more information on Cullen and his ministry, visit his Web site at www.alancullen.net

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MILITARY NEWS

Army Sgt. Anthony M. Lolho has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal

The medal is awarded to individuals who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, have distinguished themselves by acts of heroism, meritorious achievement or meritorious service

Lolho is an infantryman assigned to the 4th Infantry, Hohenfels, Germany. He is the son of Marco T. and Sharon K. Lolho of Curtis Road, Plymouth

The sergeant is a 1998 grad-

uate of Huron High School, Ann Arbor, Mich.

John L. Moore has been awarded an Air Force ROTC (Reserve Officer Training Corps) college scholarship. The cadet was selected on the basis of comprehensive test scores, high school scholastic achievement, school officials evaluations, extra-curricular activities, and community involvement.

The scholarship is designed to cover the cost of tuition, textbooks, laboratory and incidental fees, and a non-taxable

monthly stipend during the school year. Upon graduating from college and completing the ROTC program, the cadets are commissioned as second lieutenants in the Air Force. The new lieutenants select and enter various career fields to train as pilots, navigators, engineers, medical, personnel, business management fields, and special operations.

Moore is the son of Eric N. and Kim J. Moore of Adams St., Plymouth. He is a 2004 graduate of Canton High School.

LIBRARY PICKS

Every week the Plymouth District Library staff provides the Observer with their list of best sellers, based on the number of requests for titles by library patrons.

The books are available by placing a request with the library on the Web at plymouthlibrary.org or by calling (734) 453-0750.

FICTION

- 1 "R is for Ricochet," Sue Grafton
- 2 "The Da Vinci Code," Dan

Brown

- 3 "Skunny Dip," Carl Hassen
- 4 "Sam's Letters to Jennifer," James Patterson
- 5 "The Rule of Four," Ian Caldwell and Dustin Thomason

NON-FICTION

- 1 "My Life," Bill Clinton
- 2 "Shadow Divers," Robert Kurson
- 3 "Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim," David Sedaris
- 4 "Eats, Shoots and Leaves,"

Lynn Truss

- 5 "Alexander Hamilton," Ron Chernow

NEW CHILDREN'S PICTURE

BOOKS

- 1 "The Frog House," Mark Taylor
- 2 "Subway," Anastasia Suen
- 3 "Harriet and the Roller Coaster," Nancy Carlson
- 4 "Bing Gets Dressed," Ted Dewan
- 5 "Music for Alice," Allen Say

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Schuler-Botosan

Gene and Barbara Schuler of Canton announce the wedding of their daughter, Tara Schuler, to Anton Botosan, the son of Valentin and Janina Botosan of Rochester Hills.

The bride earned a bachelor's degree in education from Western Michigan University and a master's in education administration from Michigan State University. She teaches at East Middle School in Plymouth.

The groom earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from Oakland University and is pursuing a master's degree in management at Walsh College. He's a project coordinator for Kelly Services.

The couple was scheduled to marry July 31.



Ryans are golden

Virgil and Beverly Ryan of Hamburg, Mich., formerly of Plymouth, celebrate 50 years of marriage Aug. 2, 2004.

Family and friends gathered at the Community of Christ Church on Ridge Road in Plymouth to help the couple celebrate. The couple married Aug. 2, 1954 in Pontiac. Today they happily boast of four children: Debora (Eddy) Zivisky, Diane (Gary) Simkuss, Ronald (Pamela) Ryan and Russell (Wendy) Ryan.

The couple also has eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Minch-Butcher

Michael and Suzanne Minch of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Missy Michelle Minch, to David Mark Butcher, the son of Peter and Susan Butcher of West Bloomfield.

The bride-to-be went to Wayne State University and works for McNeil Pharmaceutical. She will be attended by Wendy Guarino, Shannon Martin, Jillian Webber, Theresa Domas, Dana Toll and Tam Nicholas.

The groom attended Western Michigan University and works for Paychex. He will be attended by Steve Butcher, Todd Dorgan, Paul Myers, Jon Vosler, Chad Cumisky, Jim Boland, Brian Jackson, Shawn Toldo, Clay Cumisky and Jeremy Johnson.

An Oct. 9, 2004 wedding is planned at St. James Catholic Church in Novi, Fr. George Charnley officiating. The couple plans a reception at Mystic Creek Golf Club in Milford and a honeymoon to Puerto Vallarta.

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On June 21, 2004 over 150 Sheriff Deputies demonstrated in front of the Sheriff's Administrative Building with signs in opposition to appointed Sheriff Warren C. Evans due to his:

- Huge Budget Deficit (11 Million Dollars)
- Does not follow through with Agreements with the Union
- High Paid Political Appointees (6 Deputy Chiefs, 1 Director, 10 Executive Lieutenants, and 6 Commanders)
- Unsafe Police Equipment (vehicles, radios, vests)
- Unfair Labor Policies & Practices (Penalties for using earned sick time)
- Reduced Bidded Security Staff in all 3 jails to expand discretionary positions
- Biased Employee Treatment

Since June 21, 2004 he has yet to address our concerns.

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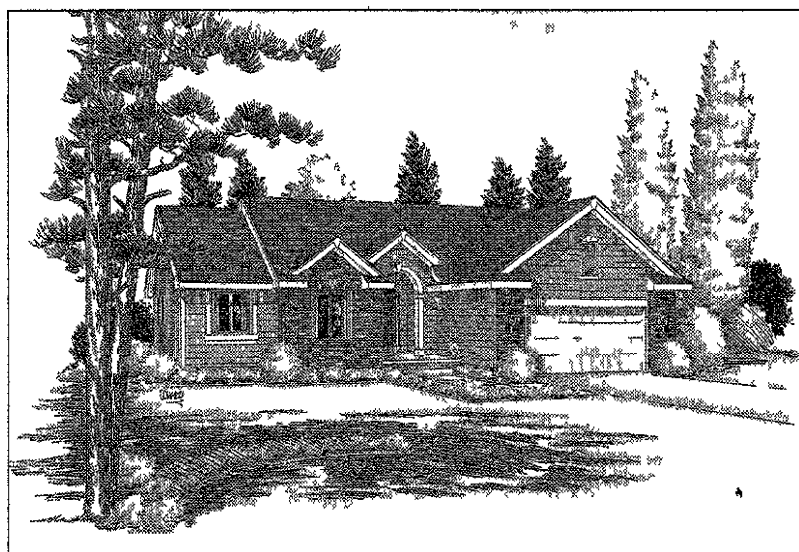
At 1,360 square feet, the Winter Woods is an ideal home for newly weds or for empty nesters. The rooflines are varied to give the home a unique look and the eaves have been extended to provide eye appeal from the street. The use of brick and wood also enhances the home.

Crossing the covered, sheltered porch brings one to the front door, which is protected by the porch from weather. The foyer has a coat closet on the left and faces the enormous great room. A large fireplace is on the rear wall with windows on each side. This room also has 10 foot ceilings to add to the overall feel or openness.

The kitchen and nook are on the right rear of the Winter Woods. The kitchen counters are in the front corner with an eating bar toward the nook. Large windows across the back of the nook bring the sunlight in as well as giving a great view of the backyard. On the wall of the basement stairs is a pantry and the refrigerator. There is also a storage closet at the end for brooms or supplies.

LARGE GARAGE

Adjacent to the kitchen is the utility room with its washer and



dryer. A door opens into the large two-car garage. The rear of the garage could be used for storage, as a workshop, or for crafts.

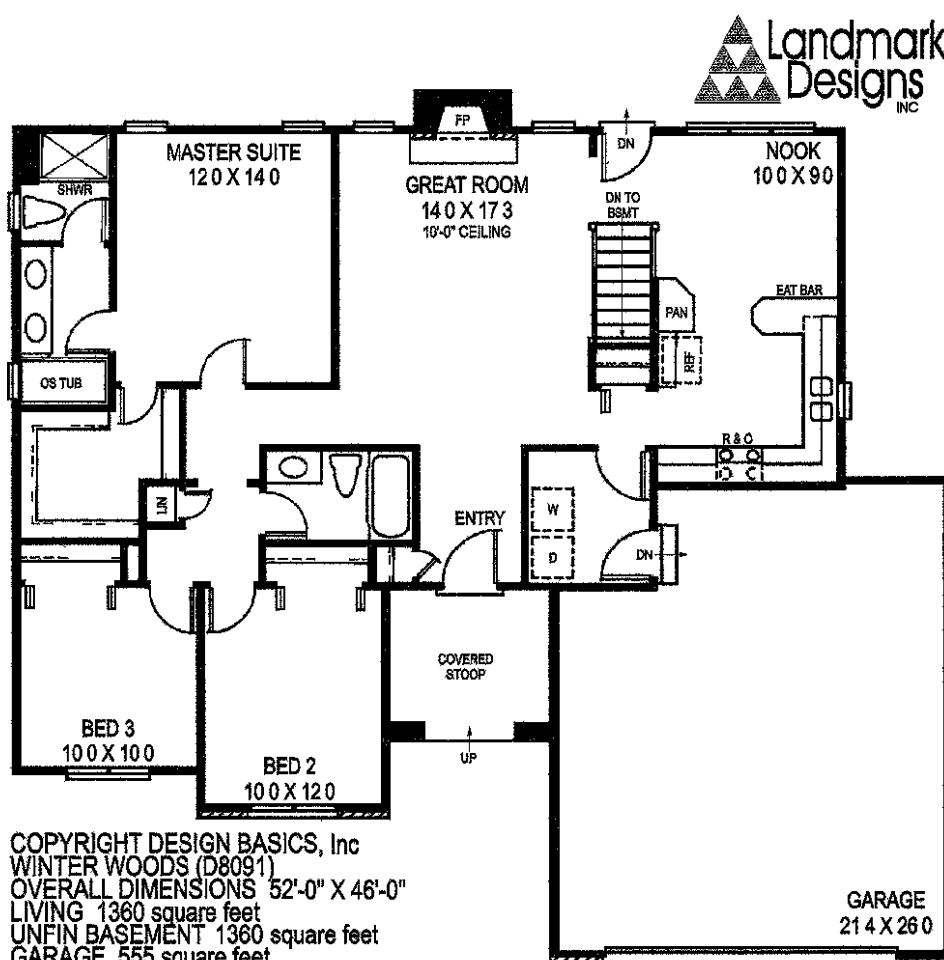
The left side of the great room is bedrooms. Bedrooms 2 and 3 are in the front with windows overlooking the front yard. Each has wall closets and is adjacent to a full bath with a single sink and a tub.

The master suite is large and open. It has a gigantic walk in closet and a long fully equipped bathroom. There is an oversized tub and two sinks in one portion of the

master bath and the toilet and large shower separated behind a door for privacy.

The Winter Woods is designed for gracious living and entertaining. Its openness and spacious feel would welcome guests and family alike.

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Tips to sell your house for top dollar Wood decor adds history, uniqueness to enhance a home

BY DAVID FINKEL
CORRESPONDENT

(NUI) - Selling a home can be difficult. But by employing the right tactics, you can find a buyer who's willing to pay the price you want.

Here are some tips to help you sell your home for top dollar.

■ Create competition for the property. Create an environment where multiple buyers are competing to buy. Stack appointments to show the house in a narrow window so that several buyers are at the property at the same time. This strategy taps into a buyer's fear of loss, the single greatest spark to get a buyer to buy now.

■ List it with the very best agent in the area. Interview agents and choose one who has a record of selling homes for a high percentage of the listing price. You should interview at least three agents, ask for referrals and ask for proof of their ability to do what they say they can do.

Get in writing what the agent will do to market the house. Be clear that if the agent doesn't live up to his or her promises, you want the option of canceling the listing.

■ Set the right scene in your house. Make sure the house is bright, clean and open. Get the temperature right, and make sure the house smells nice. The three most important views of the house are the view from the front curb at the front of the house, the view at the front door, and the view at the front entrance way when someone first walks into the house. The combination of these three views gives the prospective buyer his or her first impression of the house. Make sure it's a good one.

To improve the front view, use flowers with color and ensure the front porch looks tidy. The door should be either freshly painted or brand new.

The kitchen and master bedroom deserve special attention. Simple things

like new hand towels in the bathroom or fresh flowers in the kitchen go a long way.

■ Spend money for the upgrades that buyers want most. Before you rush off to make repairs in the property or pay for expensive upgrades, tour five or more homes of similar value that are selling in your area. See what final touches are popular with actual buyers. For example, a Jacuzzi tub can be an important feature on homes in certain price ranges but can be a waste of money in others. The key is to ensure upgrades generate at least twice their cost in the home's final selling price.

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(NUI) - A home featuring traditional wood crafts, folk art and hand carved furniture exemplifies a unique style of beauty. Whether you proudly display family heirlooms or collectibles gathered throughout the years, the addition of wood as a classic backdrop through out your home will set the stage for these historic treasures and enhance your home's sense of warmth and style.

Here are some tips for adding wood decor to your home.

■ Start with the entrance. An impressively detailed, hand carved wood door will set the tone before anyone even takes a step into your home. A stately carved wood door informs those entering the home of your own personal style.

■ Include interior decorative wood pieces. From windows, doors and furniture to clocks and artwork, decorative pieces are available in the wood species and style of your choice. Many of these pieces are still being created by hand. Artisans utilize their skills to replicate the exquisite works of old-world craftsmen, as well as create new, original designs. Craftsmen construct each piece individually, often choosing and planning the lumber themselves to bring out the true beauty of the wood.

■ Create your own style. Continue your wood theme throughout your home when selecting moulding, cabinetry and any additional woodwork. Using the same species all through your home creates a

When decorating, match hand-carved wood items with factory-built accents, which are stylish yet economical.

truly harmonious, classic feel. Or use a blend of species by coordinating two or three different types of wood to create a varied, somewhat eclectic look. From maple, pine and oak to mahogany and rosewood, these woods complement each other and promise an exotic design that will add interest and character to each room.

■ Mix and match old with new. When decorating, match hand-carved wood items with factory-built accents, which are stylish yet economical. Handcrafted tables, cedar chests and armoires blend seamlessly with manufacturer-made wood picture frames, clocks and candlesticks. Mixing in your antique treasures will add that final touch, giving your home the individuality you desire and a proud display of your prized possessions.

Whether your home's style is colonial, country or shaker, handcrafted elements instill a bit of style and tradition. Look for local craft fairs and galleries to find artisans in your area, and visit www.jeld-wen.com for more information on Jeld-Wen IWP hand-carved doors.

Don't buy more house than you can afford

(NAPSI) - Historic lows in the home mortgage market have been a windfall for many homebuyers in recent years. However, home mortgage rates are now on the rise and there's a new sense of urgency among some would-be homebuyers. Before rushing out to lock in lower rates, consider these few tips if you're about to make one of life's bigger investments.

The big picture

Too often homebuyers don't consider how a mortgage will impact their entire financial portfolio. Using too much of your income may not leave you enough money to put aside for other financial goals, such as retirement or a college fund.

According to Richard Musci, vice president, loan products officer at Charles Schwab Bank, a monthly house payment (including mortgage, taxes and insurance) should

hover around 28 percent of gross income. SmartMoney recommends total debt payments (mortgage, car and credit-card payments) should be under 36 percent of your gross income. Look for a mortgage provider that understands your current financial position and works to ensure that your mortgage fits in with your long-term financial goals.

Understand your options

Along with the traditional fixed mortgages, there is an array of adjustable rate mortgages available, including traditional ARMs, hybrid mortgages and interest-only mortgages. According to Musci, the wrong mortgage can cost significantly more than necessary.

The right mortgage depends on your income stream, financial situation and how long you plan to stay in your home, said Musci. Ask

lots of questions and if an offer sounds too good, it probably is.

Timing

When mortgage rates rise, timing can be crucial in terms of maximizing buying power. All mortgages take time to apply for and close on, but not all mortgage providers work on your schedule. Ask your provider how long it will take to process your paperwork and make certain it can provide the kind of service that guarantees you will not miss out on a great deal. You don't want to wait two weeks for what could take 24 hours.

Compare price

When factoring in lender fees, third-party fees, points and other considerations, sometimes the lowest rate doesn't always mean the lowest-price

loan. Make sure all fees and costs are disclosed up front so that there are no surprises later.

Know your provider

Choose a provider that will work with you throughout the borrowing process without trying to lock you into a mortgage that doesn't fit your needs. And for peace of mind, you may want to ask if your provider will service the loan for the entire duration or if you are likely to be dealing with another company farther down the road. You'll save time and worry by going with a provider that understands your short and long term financial situation and considers you a long-term customer, not just a one-time win.

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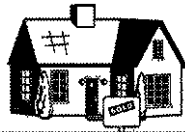
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What a parade! Lions prez attends annual convention

Charlie Mott is the new president of the Canton Lions Club. He attended the international convention in Detroit and Windsor in July. Below he writes of his experience.

BY CHARLIE MOTT
CORRESPONDENT

It was appropriate that the 87th Lions Clubs International Convention was in Detroit and Windsor in July. Detroit and Windsor have played a significant role in the history of the clubs.

The first Lions Club was organized in June 1917 by Chicago businessman Melvin Jones, who believed that local business clubs should expand their horizons from purely professional concerns to the betterment of their communities and the world.

Three years after its formation, the association became international when the first

club in Windsor was formed. More clubs were established throughout Europe, Asia and Africa during the 1950s and 1960s. Currently, there are 46,000 Lions Clubs in 193 countries and geographic areas with 1.4 million men and women.

At the July convention, workshops were held in many languages. Our Canton club, as well as other local clubs, were asked to be sergeant at arms. We helped people whenever possible to keep order, which wasn't a problem.

I had never attended an International Lions Convention before and everything to me was new and very interesting. I particularly liked talking to people from other countries and finding what types of projects they do. I found some that did manual labor to help their communities, such as painting schools, cleaning streets and alleys, to building homes for

the disabled. Others provided support services for the blind and hearing impaired and some provided diabetes education. It seems every country has its needs and each Lions Club is supporting the needs of the people in its area.

Famed screen and stage star Debbie Reynolds provided an evening of music and comedy at Joe Louis Arena. Some talented Lions also put on a show in the Cobo exhibition hall.

Oh yes, we had the traditional Parade of Nations, my favorite thing. Some of the costumes were in the hundreds, maybe thousands, of dollars. It was one of the longest parades in Detroit. Comerica Park was opened up and all the parade groups were assembled there. The floats and bands were set up along Brush Street and they were all started in their proper order.

One-hundred forty-four groups from more than 100



Charlie Mott, Canton Lions president, photographed the Lions Clubs International Convention in July. Photographed here is the Parade of Nations.

countries marched down Brush to Jefferson to Cobo Hall, from 9:30 a.m. until about 2 p.m. I couldn't stay for the whole parade because my sergeant-at-arms duties began before the end of the parade. How impressive the parade was! We had some judges looking out of the windows to watch the parade and then come to Cobo Hall to find out

what this parade was all about. You could see the taller buildings with people in every window and some with open windows cheering on the parade participants. It was great!

Later in the week at Joe Louis, Coretta Scott King, one of the most influential women leaders in the world, gave the keynote address. Since the assassination of her husband,

she has dedicated her life to speaking out on behalf of civil rights, including racial equality and women's rights.

Next year, the Lions International Convention will be in Hong Kong. I would like to attend, but somehow don't think I will be able. The following year it will be in New Orleans, and perhaps I will be there.

Local home health group scores top notch with accreditation program

United Home Health Services, Inc. recently received a 100 percent compliance rating from the Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP), resulting in a three-year accreditation with deemed status for quality home care. This is a voluntary, rigorous evaluation process that assures the community that UHHS meets the home care industry's highest nationally recognized standards of excellence. The federal government recognizes CHAP accredited organizations as certified to provide care to Medicare patients.

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Gloria Bruhowzki
United Home Health Services

The perfect score was awarded to United following an intense, five-day review of patient care, patient records, administration, structure, resources, and long-term viability. CHAP's expert home care surveyor conducted actual home visits with UHHS clinical staff in addition to staff interviews. Some of the surveyor's comments included "You have the best home health aides I have ever seen" and "You give people the dignity to age gracefully."

UHHS President Gloria Bruhowzki said, "This level of compliance is rare so we are extremely proud of all our staff and congratulate them on a job well-done! This high honor reinforces our commitment and dedication to providing exceptional patient care and embodies our mission and our motto: United in our Caring."

Vice president Penny Rhein added, "United makes a significant investment in quality on a day-to-day basis. Our strength is in our staff. We hire good people and empower them to do their best. We seek accreditation for our organization because we want to provide the best home care possible for our patients."

According to Terry Duncombe, president of CHAP, the accreditation that United Home Health Services has achieved is important to the local and national health care community and to the public at large. It demonstrates that they have achieved excellence in operations and the services it provides to people in need.

United Home Health Services is a non-profit, Medicare-certified home health agency that has provided skilled nursing and therapy services in the community for more than 20 years.

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AROUND TOWN

Plymouth Council on Aging
The 19th annual Senior Fest will be held Monday Sept 13 at Waterford Bend Park Six Mile and Northville roads from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for residents of City of Plymouth or Plymouth Township. Tickets have to be bought ahead of time by Sept 8. Purchase tickets at Plymouth Council on Aging on the second floor of City Hall. Enjoy music lunch information booths and a prize drawing. Call 453 1234

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. The breakfasts will be 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 sweatsuits 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 Pennington.

Marquis Theatre
The Marquis Theatre in Northville presents Raggedy Ann and Andy between Aug 3 Sept 26. Babette a French Porcelain doll has been kidnapped from the playroom by the

Loonies! Babette is Marcella's surprise birthday present and must be returned. Raggedy Ann and Andy venture bravely into Looneyland to search for her. Performance dates are 10:30 a.m. Tuesday Friday 11 a.m. Saturdays Aug 7 14 21 and 28 2:30 p.m. Saturdays Sept 11 18 and 25 2:30 p.m. Sundays Sept 12 19 and 26. Tickets are \$7.50 no children under 3. For school reservations birthday parties and group rates call (248) 349 8110

Art center workshops
The Ann Arbor Art Center offers a Beat the Heat workshop and more during Sundays @ 1 a weekly series in which Art Center staff is on hand to provide instruction and projects that spark creativity for adults children and families. Workshops are held every Sunday from 12:30 p.m. and the first Sunday workshop is free. Following the first Sunday workshops are \$12 per class. Participants may register at any time previous to the beginning of the workshop and drop ins are welcome although space is limited. Pre registration for the first Sunday is not required. Stop by the Art Center at 117 W Liberty in downtown Ann Arbor call (734) 994 8004 Ext 101 or visit www.annarborartcenter.org for more information

Dixboro Country Fair
The 27th annual Dixboro Country Fair & Artisans on the Green takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday Aug 7. The fair is a country fair on a pleasant shaded green with fun for all ages. It features arts and crafts from more than 60 exhibitors live music a petting zoo silent auction ice cream social homemade pies hot dogs sausages and corn on the cob carnival games and a moon walk. Take US 23 exit 41 (Plymouth Rd.) two miles east on Plymouth Road to Cherry Hill. For more information call (734) 665 5632

Art center workshops

The Ann Arbor Art Center will be offering two new one day workshops Paper Making and Book Arts for its Summer 2004 term. The Paper Making workshop will be held noon 5 p.m. Saturday Aug 21 and will cover all the basic techniques for making hand made paper with 100 percent cotton fiber and natural inclusions. Participants will learn basic skills for making paper at home. The Book Arts workshop will be held 11 a.m. 4 p.m. Saturday July 24 and will introduce some basic book binding techniques and students will create three different books that include an accordion a pamphlet stitch and a Japanese stab binding. For more information or to register call 734 994 8004 x101 or stop by the Ann Arbor Art Center at 117 W Liberty. To view courses and register online visit www.annarborartcenter.org

Craft show applications
Applications are being accepted for the 18th annual Holiday Magic Craft show at Leonard Elementary in Troy Show is 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Saturday Nov 6. Juried \$2 public admission. Sponsored by PTO. For info and applications e-mail craftshow@prodigy.net

Leukemia team
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training is recruiting volunteers to help in the fight against blood cancers by raising funds as they train to run walk or cycle in honor of local patients. In addition to weekly training sessions and clinics on nutrition equipment injury prevention and safety. An information meeting takes place at 6:30 p.m. Monday July 26 at Best Western Laurel Park Suites 16999 S Laurel Park Dr. in Livonia. For more information visit www.teamintraining.org/m on the Web or call (800) 456 5413

Ann Arbor Symphony
The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra

announces the following orchestral vacancies beginning fall 2004. Section violin section viola section cello section bass and third flute/piccolo. Auditions take place Sept 7-10 at Bethlehem United Church of Christ 423 S Fourth Ave. Visit the symphony's Web site at www.a2so.com for the repertoire list and audition specifics

Fine Art Show
The second annual Orchard Lake Fine Art Show is scheduled Aug 6-8 featuring more than 140 juried booths. It's held at the Orchard Lake St. Mary's campus on Orchard Lake Road at Commerce. A preview is scheduled 6-9:30 p.m. Friday Aug 6. For more information contact Patty Narozny at Hotworks@comcast.net or call (248) 684 2613

Bird expo
The Ann Arbor Cage Bird Club presents the 19th annual Bird Expo from 10 a.m. 5 p.m. Sunday Aug 1 at Weber's Inn 3050 Jackson Ann Arbor. Admission is \$3 for adults children under 12 free. Speakers include Vickie Barlow Choosing a Parrot Species and Leah Matejka director of PEAC Better Bird Care and Behavior Problems. The event features birds playstays toys T-shirts and raffles. For more information contact show chairs Melanie melaniecunningham2000@yahoo.com or (734) 662 4582 or Mary at mdw0123@aol.com or (734) 326 0720

Alzheimer's Walk
The Alzheimer's Association's 2004 Memory Walk for Alzheimer's Disease takes place at 9 a.m. Saturday Aug 28 at the Detroit Zoo. Some 2,500 people are expected to participate in the annual walk a thon to raise funds and promote the progress surrounding Alzheimer's. To register or make a donation contact the Alzheimer's Association at ALZGMC.org or call (248) 351 0280

Red Cross heroes
The American Red Cross is looking for nominees for its 2004 Red Cross Heroes. The 2004 honorees will be recognized at the Red Cross Everyday Heroes luncheon Nov 17 at the Marriott Renaissance Center.

Columbus ballroom. Anyone may nominate a Red Cross Hero. Nominees must live in or have performed the heroic act in Wayne Oakland or Macomb counties between Aug 1 2003 and July 31 2004. Those chosen must be available for video/photography in advance of the ceremony. Nominations may be submitted on line at www.semredcross.org or by calling (313) 494 3490. Deadline is Aug 11

Madonna golf
Madonna University in Livonia holds its ninth annual Golden Classic Scholarship Golf Outing on Friday Sept 17 at the Links of Novi. Tickets are \$175 per person or \$700 for a foursome if purchased before Aug 1 and includes golf welcoming gifts lunch dinner prizes and more. Sponsorships are available. For information or to reserve a spot call (734) 432 5421

Crafters needed
Crafters are needed for Delta Kappa Gamma West Middle School's 18th annual juried show Saturday Oct 23. The show runs 9 a.m. 4 p.m. at West Middle School 44401 W Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth. E-mail theways@comcast.net or call Jan (734) 844 1707 for details

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

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

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

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

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

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

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JOHN C L COWEN
Age 98 formerly of Bloomfield Hills Michigan died on July 22 2004. He was born on July 15 1906 in New York. He was graduated from the Detroit College of LAW and spent his career as a Patent Attorney primarily with Harness Dickey & Pierce in Detroit. During the war he was a Lt JG in the US Navy stationed in their patent office. He was preceded in death by his first wife Nancy Huyette Cowen. He is survived by Doris Dempster Cowen his wife since 1974. Upon retirement in 1986 John and Doris moved to Green Valley Arizona. He is survived by three children Nancy, of Northampton MA, Bob, of Farmington Hills MI and Tim of Green Valley AZ. He has six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. He was a man of many talents and enjoyed diverse hobbies such as antique automobiles, camping in remote areas, train, and international travel, working in his shop. He loved reading especially astronomy, cosmology and conservative publications. At his request no service has been planned. Memorials to the donor's choice.

JEANNE ELLEN EISENHARDT (COBB)
Age 74 of South Branch (formerly of Clarkston and Rochester) died July 30 2004. Loving wife of Vernon Dear mother of Andrea Jeanne (Khokan) Mitra, Mark Lee Eisenhardt, Dale Vernon Eisenhardt, Kay Ellen (Russ) Lund and Amy Charlaene (William) Monroe. Grandmother of Romy Nickoloff (Dr Steven) Justin Jevin Robi Anil Amber, Jeremy Jacob, Dale Jr John II, Shane, Todd Eric and Melesa. Great grandmother of Isabel Amelia Hugo, Kaya, and Nathan. Sister of Floyd L. Cobb Jr. Jeanne worked for 33 years at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. Funeral Monday, August 2 2004 11 a.m. at the Potere Modetz Funeral Home, 339 Walnut Blvd, Rochester. The family will receive friends Saturday 5-8 p.m. and Sunday 2-8 p.m. Interment Christian Memorial Cemetery. Online guest book www.modetzfuneralhomes.com

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ERNEST WILLIAM DUREUX
July 24 2004. Age 56. Beloved husband, father, son, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. Member of the Motor City Harley Owners Group and Great Lakes Dart Association. Laid to rest July 28 2004. He will be sadly missed.

EVA M.E. HUFFMAN
July 28, 2004. Beloved wife of Parke. Eva is survived by many loving family members. Funeral Monday (August 2 2004) 1 PM at the Deaiborn Chapel of the Howe Peterson Funeral Home 22546 Michigan Ave. Visitation Saturday 5-9 PM and Sunday 12-4 & 6-9 PM. Entombment Cadillac Memorial Gardens West. Memorials suggested to Christian Missions in Many Lands P.O. Box 13 Spring Lake NJ 07762 or Guelph Bible conference Jaberacle Capitol Fund Guelph, Ontario Canada.

DONALD F. MOORE
Age 68 of Washington MI. July 27 2004. Husband of Joyce, father of Donald L. (Linda) and Monica (Mark) Vandebeghe of Ray MI and Thomas of Washington MI. Grandfather of Zachary Kyle Megan & Leah. Brother of Virginia Wanamaker Marjorie Yungmann and the late Betty King. Donald owned and operated Professional Aviation Services based at Oakland Pontiac Airport. Funeral services Saturday 12 Noon at Pixley Funeral Home 322 W University Dr. Rochester. Visitation Friday 3-9 pm. Memorial contributions may be made to American Heart Association.

NOEL V. REED
Age 89 July 30 2004, of Farmington. Devoted Husband of Dorine for 68 years. Loving Father of Pamela (Bill) Cunningham and Graham (Sandra) Reed. Adoring Grandfather of Carol Karen, Julie Deanna, Eric and great-grandfather of ten. Noel was born in Wainstead Essex, England and served 6 years in the British Infantry as a petroleum driver during WW II. Noel was a Prudential Financial insurance agent for 38 years. He was an avid stamp collector and enjoyed gardening. Noel will always be remembered for his generosity and compassion. Funeral Service Monday 7 PM at Thayer Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Grand River Ave. Farmington (1 blk W of Farmington Rd.) Visitation Monday 5-7 PM. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

WILLIAM ALFRED SHROSBREE
Chelsea MI. Age 46. Died suddenly on Thursday July 29 2004 while on a business trip in Dayton Ohio. He was born on July 10 1958 in Kalamazoo, Michigan the son of Alfred Gordon & Mary Alice (Reed) Shrosbree. A graduate of Southfield High School. Bill received a degree in metallurgical engineering from the University of Michigan. He was employed by General Motors Corporation. Bill was a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Chelsea. Chelsea Recreation Council and Amazin' Blues singing group at U of M allowing him to perform at the White House and the Rose Bowl. Bill married Jane Elizabeth Mann on June 27 1987. He is survived by his wife Jane and their three beautiful daughters, Katherine Elizabeth (Katie) 15 Sarah Margaret, 13 and Emily Jane 10. He is also survived by his parents of Bingham Farms MI a brother and sister-in-law, Robert & Susan Shrosbree of Farmington Hills and several nieces and nephews. Although Bill's profession was automotive engineering his true calling was as a teacher of life and that could be seen in many ways. He was extremely active in his church and loved teaching Sunday school as well as Bible school in his youth. He enjoyed golf, playing bridge with friends and writing. He coached his daughters in many sports, including basketball, soccer, softball and volleyball. He was an avid singer and dancer which produced many family performances. He truly loved life and wanted to make the world a better place. He was a true friend to many people. The most important thing in Bill's life was his family and he was a fantastic and devoted father and husband. Funeral services will be held Tuesday August 3 11:00 am at St. Paul's United Church of Christ, Chelsea, with Rev. Karen Schulte officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove East Cemetery, Chelsea, Michigan. The family will receive friends at Cole Funeral Chapel Sunday 6-8 and Monday 2-4 & 6-8 and then at St. Paul's on Tuesday, 10-11. Memorial contributions may be made for his children's education to the William Shrosbree Memorial Fund c/o Chelsea State Bank P.O. Box 10 Chelsea, MI 48118. Arrangements by COLE FUNERAL CHAPEL Chelsea, MI

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Take it from Ernie

Ernie Harwell

View life from a new perspective

Try to keep up a daily routine of physical exercise by walking every day and jumping rope. It's always good to get the old heart pumping, and exercise is something everyone should do.

I also think it's a good idea to keep yourself mentally healthy and that means making an effort to gain new perspectives on life. One of the best ways to do that is to mingle with people of other generations. Young people can contribute greatly to an older person's attitude, just as I think older people can have a positive influence on younger folks.

Sometimes in an older generation, we have a tendency to look down our nose and talk about the good old days and things aren't like they used to be. And younger people tend to dismiss my generation's ideas as "old-fashioned."

I'd like to see people of all ages take opportunities to connect with each other and understand each other's point of view. If you're at church or a social gathering, spend some time getting to know people of all ages once in a while.

It may mean getting out of your comfort zone, but the reward is a healthier attitude and it's well worth the effort.

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

Ernie Harwell the voice of the Detroit Tigers for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with Miss Lulu, his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled *Life After Baseball*, is available at local book stores or by calling (800) 245-5082.

Exercise leads to a good night's sleep

Establishing a regular routine that includes daily exercise and proper nutrition can work wonders in the sleep department. In terms of personal health, sleep is one of the most important factors leading to overall well-being.

"Wide-ranging studies conducted by the National Sleep Foundation, the Mayo Clinic and the National Institute of Health show that sleep is impacted dramatically by diet, exercise, regular routine, and a restful environment," said Betsy Ludlow, founder and president of Slim and Tone, a national fitness chain headquartered in Pennsylvania. The women's only fitness club is dedicated to and designed by women, and offers a 30-minute circuit-training workout that combines hydraulic resistance machines with cardiovascular stations.

Slim and Tone recommends the following tips to achieve a good night's sleep:

■ **Maintain a regular time to go to bed and wake up, even during the weekends.**

■ **Establish a relaxing bedtime routine.** Take a warm bath, light candles, listen to soft music, read a chapter of a book, perform breathing exercises.

■ **Exercise early in the day.** This serves to not only wake your body and mind but also jumpstart your metabolism for the remainder of the day. Aim to get 30 minutes of physical activity daily and be sure to include resistance training along with cardio for the most effective results.

■ **Avoid caffeine four to six hours before bed.** In addition, pass on or limit alcohol and nicotine. Alcohol initially acts as a sedative, but interrupts your normal sleep patterns. Nicotine, like caffeine, is a stimulant which makes it difficult to fall and stay asleep.

■ **Create a sleep-conducive environment.** The most important tools are a comfortable mattress and pillows. Recognize your bedroom as a place of rest and intimacy and stay away from paying bills, working and eating in bed. Make sure your room is well ventilated and the temperature consistent. Turn off any disruptive sounds like a television.

■ **Eat at least two to three hours before your regular bedtime.** Foods such as milk, tuna, pumpkin, avocados, almonds, peaches, walnuts, apricots, oats, asparagus, potatoes, and bananas all promote sleep.

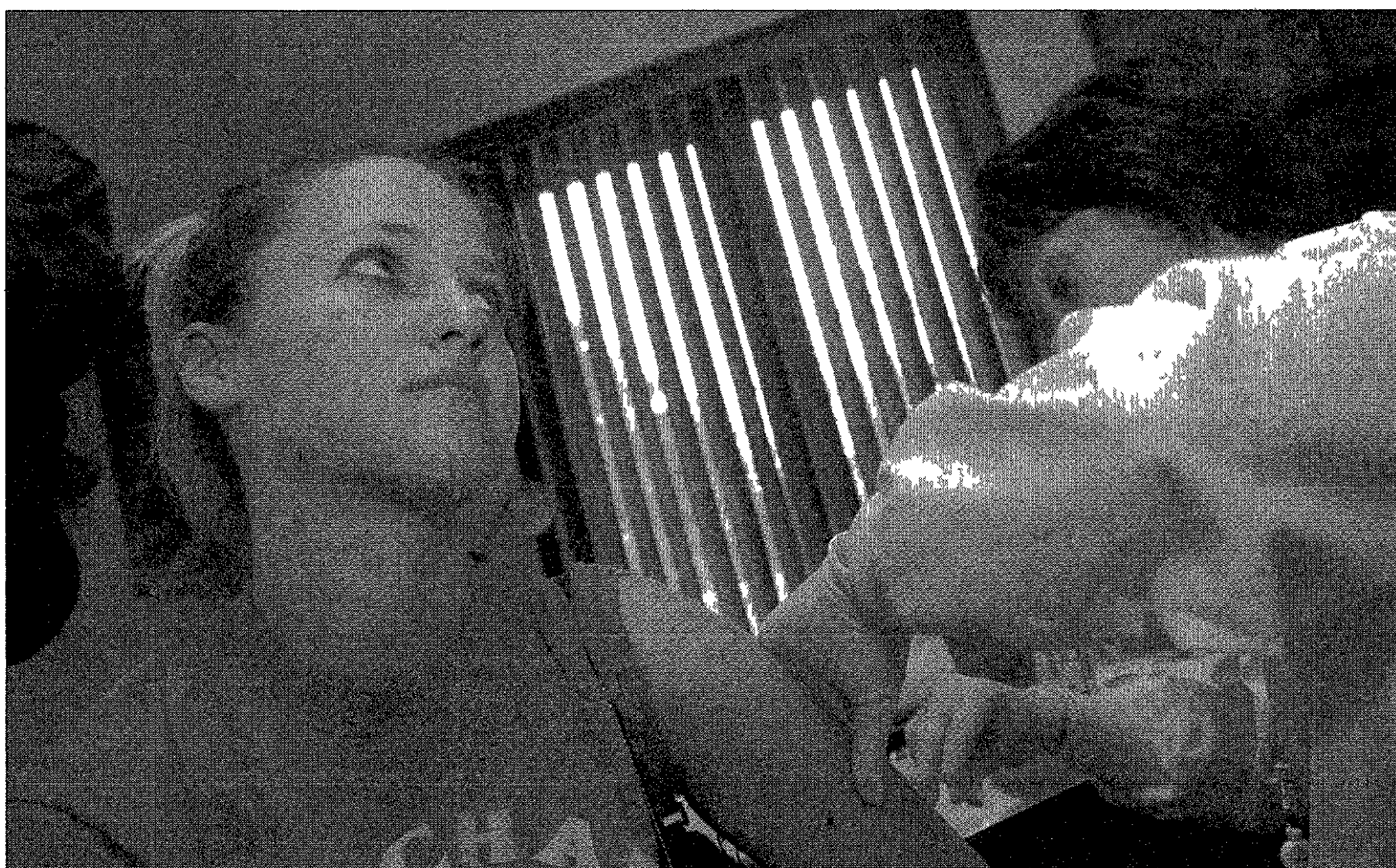
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Megan Gill looks like she's trying not to think about the vaccination given by Kay Renny, R.N.

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All the rage

Shot parties combat fatal form of meningitis

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

There's an undercurrent of nervousness running through the party at Terry Czekaj's Livonia home. Daughter Corinne, who's chatting with friends about going off to play hockey at Finlandia College in Hancock, becomes uneasy when nurse Kay Renny sets up a table in the living room.

This is a party with a purpose. These teenagers are not here for food and fun, but to protect themselves from four of the most common strains of bacterial meningitis, an infection of the lining around the brain and spinal cord.

August is Meningitis Awareness & Prevention Month and time for freshmen like Corinne to head off to college. Students living in dorms are six times more susceptible to meningitis. No one likes getting shots, but they want to prevent the disease that can kill within seven hours.

The shot parties seem to be catching on since the Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan began offering them last year.

"I heard so many kids had died of meningitis," Terry Czekaj said. "My son complained when he left for college that he had to go so far for a shot. This was really easy to do. Kids can come locally."

VNA of Southeast Michigan requires a minimum of 15 to throw a party. Corinne easily came up with the required number by inviting college-bound freshmen she ran into at graduation parties for classmates at Stevenson High School in addition to those for friends like Megan Gill, who went to Ladywood in Livonia.

"I didn't have to go out and find a place myself to get the shot," said Gill, who's headed to St. Mary's College in Indiana. "You always have to worry about catching stuff."

Ashley Letch literally was scared into getting the shot after a classmate at Garden City High School acquired the disease. Equally in favor of the meningitis vaccination was Ruth Schlaff, whose daughter Rachel Bonkowski was leaving for Michigan State University. Three students died of bacterial meningitis in 1996-97 at the East Lansing school, and there have been at least two cases reported in the last three years.



Ashley Matz and Claire Doty got their meningitis shots and they're ready for college.

A 2001 Michigan law requires colleges in the state to educate students on meningitis and the vaccination. Michigan State University distributes materials on vaccinations to students as part of a proactive health campaign. Even so, Bonkowski appreciated nurse Holly Coppell's talk on how to prevent the disease.

"I had to do it. I just don't like shots," said Bonkowski, a Churchill High School graduate. "I just know it's important because it's a dangerous disease. You need to be safe. When I'm out I'm aware of not taking drinks from anyone. I wash my hands a lot."

Students need to take precautions to prevent meningitis, which is spread by direct contact, said Renny, manager of community programs for VNA of Southeast Michigan. And they need to recognize the symptoms early — fever, headache and lethargy, which are frequently ignored because they mimic the flu.

"While it's rare, it's fatal. It usually peaks in late winter and early spring, that's why it can be easily misdiagnosed, because that's when flu is diagnosed. That's when they need to be aware," Renny said.

If they have sensitivity to light, a rash, stiff neck, the disease is progressing. That's not to say if you had those symptoms it's not something else, but you need to

seek medical attention immediately. Meningococcal bacteria double in number every 20 to 30 minutes once they enter the bloodstream.

The swift progression of the disease is what makes it so dangerous. The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and health care providers like Dr. Kimberly Keller of the Snow Health Center at Eastern Michigan University are encouraging parents to consider the vaccine. Eastern had a student die of bacterial meningitis.

"That was about four or five years ago and the first point we did start to recommend the vaccination. Up to that fact it was considered new and optional. That brought the point home to us," Keller said.

"The most important thing is to definitely consider the vaccination, be aware of the signs and symptoms, because the vaccine only covers some of the types of meningitis, and seek help early. It really does progress quickly. Everything with meningitis is so extreme, body aches and headaches. I'm a big fan of vaccines. A flu shot keeps you healthy and helps in the diagnosis."

For more information about the shot parties given by VNA of Southeast Michigan, call (248) 967-8751.

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Meningitis shots quick and easy at clinics

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Michigan law doesn't mandate bacterial meningitis vaccination, but half of the states do. The disease not only takes lives, but causes brain damage, hearing loss, seizures and can lead to amputation of limbs.

Clinics provide several different options for students seeking meningitis vaccinations. VNA of Southeast Michigan and Michigan Visiting Nurses of the University of Michigan Health System offer public clinics in addition to walk-ins at their offices, and individually by appointment. The cost is \$85.

University health centers can direct students to where the shot is available on campus.

Off-campus, U-M Health System Michigan Visiting Nurses is teaming up with Kroger for meningitis vaccination clinics 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, at 2641 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at 9968 E. Grand River, Brighton, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at 400 S. Maple, Ann Arbor. No appointment necessary.

If students are unable to make it to one of the Kroger locations, MVN offers clinics 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, at its office, 2850 S. Industrial at Eisenhower, Suite 75, Ann Arbor. If unable to come in to this location, MVN will make special arrangements to give shots at satellite offices, including those in Plymouth and West Bloomfield. For more information, call (800) 880-0020 or visit www.umvn.org.

"We're holding public clinics at Kroger and at our offices to make it easier to immunize," said Kathy Gold, president of the U-M Health System Michigan Visiting Nurses and an RN. "There are also clinics in the dorm in late summer that are very popular. They're very convenient."

"We want to deliver shots to students in a more convenient way. We've had reports from students that it's harder and harder to get the shots from their family physician. Rather than having to make an appointment to see their physician, we set up in the dorm. They can come between classes, before or after classes, to get the vaccine."

"We're also scheduling private clinics for a minimum of 10 at our offices, including the satellite office in West Bloomfield. We would come to their home if they have 10 students or more. It's a good way to get educated about meningitis and get it all taken care of."

For more information about clinics run by VNA of Southeast Michigan, call (248) 967-8751. The office is at 25900 Greenfield, Suite 600, in Oak Park. Individual appointments are available 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday-Friday.

Public clinics are scheduled at Kroger stores noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, at 44525 Ann Arbor Road at Sheldon, Plymouth, noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 5, at 4805 Haggerty at Pontiac Trail, West Bloomfield, and 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at 1905 Canton Center Road at Ford Road, Canton.

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AUGUST

Fibromyalgia workshop

Dr. Kramer will reveal the shocking truth behind what can be causing fibromyalgia which is often misdiagnosed and misunderstood. 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Aug. 4 at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia. No charge. To register call (248) 426-0201. Seating is limited.

Massage techniques

Noon to 2 p.m. Sunday Aug. 8 learn energizing and relaxing massage techniques at the Carnegie Institute 550 Stephenson Highway Troy. Cost is \$50 per couple. To register call (248) 219-7398. Deadline for reservations is Monday Aug. 2.

Child safety fingerprinting

Parents and guardians are invited to establish a permanent record of their children that can be shared with law enforcement agencies when dealing with emergencies. Representatives will fingerprint children and ask parents to complete personal information cards on each child 2 p.m. Sunday Aug. 8 at all Art Van Furniture stores including Southfield Livonia Novi Royal Oak Waterford and Westland. Each family is given the information and prints to take with them for safekeeping. AAA of Michigan is providing the materials.

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College offers a free Divorce Support Group 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Aug. 9 in Room 225 of the McDowell Center on campus 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile Livonia. The group provides a forum for discussion receiving and sharing of information for those contemplating in the process of or having difficulty adjusting to divorce. For more information call the WRC at (734) 462-4443.

Karmanos benefit

Friends and supporters of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute will be among the first to dine at Coach Insignia, the newest venue of Matt Prentice and Unique Restaurant Corporation located atop Detroit's Renaissance Center at the 8th Annual Night of Good Taste fund-raiser 6:30 p.m. Friday Aug. 13 features a strolling dinner silent auction and live music. Tickets are \$80 per person and include valet parking or round trip shuttle bus from Oakland County locations. For more information call Denise Lowe at (248) 443-5800 ext. 4632 or send email to lowed@karmanos.org. Ticket sales end August 9. Proceeds benefit state of the science cancer research world class patient care and education programs at the Karmanos Cancer Institute.

Parenting Classes

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering parenting classes called Parenting with Love and Logic 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday August 12 (Toddlers and Preschoolers) and 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday August 28 (Preteens and Teenagers) at 36475 Five Mile in Livonia. Please use the Five Mile Road entrance. For directions or additional information visit www.stmarymercy.org. Parenting with Love and Logic is a common sense approach teaching parents skills that cultivate confidence and good decision making in children by offering them choices empathy and respect while adults

avoid anger threats warnings or lectures. There is a fee and registration is required. Call the Marian Women's Center at (734) 655-1100 for more information or to register.

Volunteers wanted

Doctors at Beaumont Hospital are testing Comtan (entacapone) an approved drug to determine if it extends the benefits of levodopa treatment in people with Parkinson's disease. Needed to participate in this research trial are people who have been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease who are taking no more than four doses of levodopa each day and who are not yet experiencing uncontrollable movements. Research subjects must not be taking or have taken Comtan (entacapone) in the past. For more information call (248) 898-8595.

GEMS

Group Exercise for Multiple Sclerosis meets every Friday evening at the Livonia YMCA on Stark Road. Group swim from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Support group meeting 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Carolyn Davis at (734) 459-9715 or Mike Hickey (734) 522-0036.

Volunteers sought

Oakwood Healthcare System is seeking patients to participate in a study which utilizes computer guided navigation for hip replacement surgery. If you are suffering from hip pain and would like to be considered for enrollment in this study please call 866-4NEWHIP. These surgeries are offered at Oakwood Heritage Hospital in Taylor.

UPCOMING

Medicare Prescription Benefits

Learn about the new Medicare prescription coverage and how the new prescription drug discount card can help save money especially those with low incomes. Those who pay all of their prescription drug costs and those with no or limited health care coverage at a Let's Talk presentation for seniors called Understanding the New Medicare Prescription Benefits 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Sept. 1 in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium 36475 Five Mile at Levan Livonia. No charge but registration is required. To register or for more information call (734) 655-8950 or visit www.stmarymercy.org. The speaker will be a representative from AARP of Michigan.

The St. Mary Mercy Hospital Senior Health Connection program offers adults age 55 and over special programs and discounts including free lecture series AARP Safe Driving Program free blood pressure screenings Westland Mall and Laurel Park Place Walkers Clubs discounts on health education classes women's programs and more. Simply call to register for an event identify yourself as a senior and enjoy the benefits.

Safe Driving Program

St. Mary Mercy Hospital and the American Association of Retired Persons offer the two day AARP Safe Driving Program 5:30-9:30 p.m. Monday Tuesday Sept. 13-14 in Classroom 2 of the hospital 36475 Five Mile at Levan Livonia. Please use South Entrance off Levan Road. There

is a \$10 fee. Make checks payable to AARP. To register call (734) 655-8940 or (800) 494-1650 (out of area callers only). For directions or additional information visit www.stmarymercy.org. Attendance at both sessions is required. The AARP Safe Driving Program is the nation's first and largest classroom driver improvement course specially designed for motorists age 50 and older. The course helps drivers refine existing skills and develop safe defensive driving techniques. AARP members and non-members alike may take the course. There are no tests. Upon successfully completing the course graduates of this program may be eligible to receive a state mandated multi-year discount on their auto insurance premiums.

ONGOING

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College offers a free Divorce Support Group 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in Room 225 of the McDowell Center on campus 18600 Haggerty between Six and Seven Mile Livonia. The group provides a forum for discussion receiving and sharing of information for those contemplating in the process of or having difficulty adjusting to divorce. For more information call the WRC at (734) 462-4443.

Adult grief support group

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

Breast feeding support

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

Grief support group

Meets 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at the Angela Hospice Care Center Livonia. All groups are free of charge and open to the community. For more information call Joan Lee in the Bereavement Department at (734) 464-7810.

Livonia CFS/Fibromyalgia Support Group

Meet the second Wednesday of the month at the Livonia Civic Center Library 32777 Five Mile east of Farmington Road. For information about the group call (248) 346-3164 or visit the Web site at www.geocities.com/LivoniaCFSFMS.

Low carb support group

Meets 7:15-8:45 p.m. Wednesdays at Low Carb Depot 32622 W. Seven Mile Livonia. No charge. For information call (248) 476-3064.

Volunteers needed

The Alzheimer's Association is seeking individuals who are interested in providing information and support to callers dealing with issues about Alzheimer's disease and related Dementias. Alzheimer's is a progressive brain disorder that gradually destroys mental capabilities. Help for individuals affected by Alzheimer's can be found at the association's help line and through other services provided by the offices in Southfield. To volunteer call Rebecca Reiten at (800) 337-3927 ext. 240.

Prenatal Yoga

St. Mary Mercy Hospital is offering an ongoing Prenatal Yoga class 5:30-6:30 p.m. Thursdays in Classroom 1 at the Marian Women's Center at the hospital 36475 Five Mile Road at Levan Road Livonia. For more information or to register call (734) 655-1145. Through traditional yoga poses and postures the mom to be will strengthen mind and body to help adjust peacefully to the daily changes of pregnancy. This class also includes guided meditation and relaxation techniques that will increase expectant moms awareness confidence and focus.

Research volunteer opportunities

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

Healthy cooking classes

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

Volunteer opportunities

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

Meningitis Vaccinations

Meningitis vaccinations for college bound high school students are being offered through Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan by appointment only during May and June in its office at 25900 Greenfield Suite 600 Oak Park. The cost is \$85. Call (800) 882-5720 ext. 8755 for more information or visit www.vna.org. While early symptoms are easily missed can result in death in as little as two hours. College freshmen living in dorms are six times more likely to get the disease than those living off campus. Vaccination reduces the risks of contracting the disease.

Support cancer research – and some have fun

Friends and supporters of the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute have two upcoming fund-raisers from which to choose – A Night of Good Taste at Coach Insignia Friday, Aug. 13, and a one-mile walk for women's cancers at the Detroit Zoo Sunday, Aug. 29. Both benefit education programs and awareness programs at the Institute, home to one of the largest oncology practices in Michigan.

Supporters of the Institute will be among the first to dine at Coach Insignia, the newest venue of Matt Prentice and Unique Restaurant Corporation, located atop Detroit's Renaissance Center. The Institute's eighth Annual "Night of Good Taste" fund-raiser will take place at the new restaurant on Friday, Aug. 13. This year's event themed "A Night of Good Taste Goes Classic," will be emceed by Ric Bohy, editorial director, HOUR Media and editor, HOUR Detroit magazine, as well as Madeline Trifon, Master Sommelier with Unique Restaurant Corporation.

A Night of Good Taste benefits state-of-the-science cancer research, world-class patient care and education programs at the Karmanos Cancer Institute. A Night of Good Taste – 8th Annual dining event Goes Classic" with a strolling dinner, silent auction and live music Friday, Aug. 13, at 6:30 p.m. Coach Insignia, located at the top of the GM Global Renaissance Center. Tickets are \$80 per person and include valet parking or round-trip shuttle bus from Oakland County locations. To purchase tickets or for more information call Denise Lowe at (248) 443-5800 ext. 4632 or e-mail lowed@karmanos.org. Ticket sales end Aug. 9.

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ZOO WALK

The National Arab-American Medical Association (NAAMA) is organizing the zoo walk. Gates open at 7:15 a.m. Opening Ceremonies begin at 8:30 a.m. Walk begins at 8:45 a.m. Registration is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 12. Team registration available. Call (800) KARMANOS or visit www.cancerwalk.org.

Each year, 210,000 women nationwide are diagnosed with a gynecologic cancer. Last year,

nearly 212,600 women were diagnosed with breast cancer. NAAMA's Walk For Women's Cancers will celebrate lives saved and acknowledge memories of lives lost.

The event is an opportunity for cancer survivors, their families and friends, the medical and business communities and the general public to come together in strengthening the fight against women's cancers.

Based in midtown Detroit, the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute is committed to a future free of cancer. The Meyer L. Prentiss Comprehensive Cancer Center of Metropolitan Detroit, operated by the Institute, is one of 38 National Cancer Institute-designated comprehensive cancer centers in the United States. Caring for more than 6,000 new patients annually on a budget of \$200 million, conducting more than 400 cancer-specific scientific investigation programs and clinical trials, the Institute is among the nation's best cancer centers. The Institute strives to prevent, detect and eradicate cancer through the commitment of 1,200 staff including 300 faculty members supported by hundreds of volunteers and thousands of financial donors.

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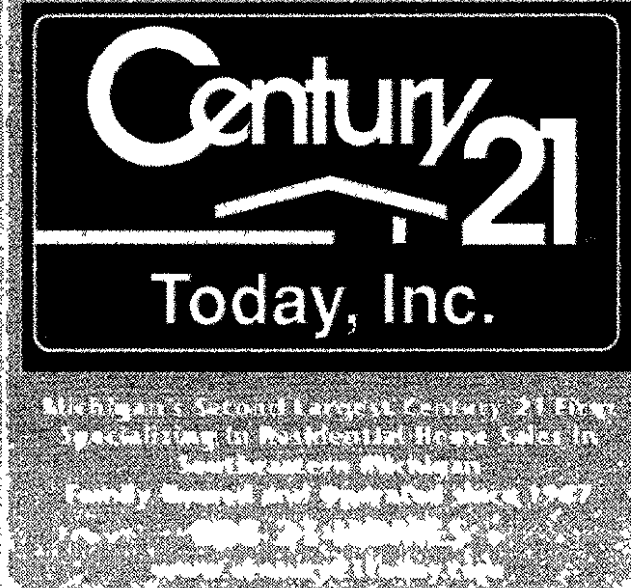
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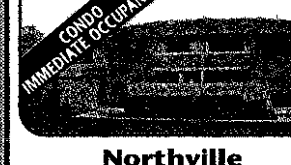
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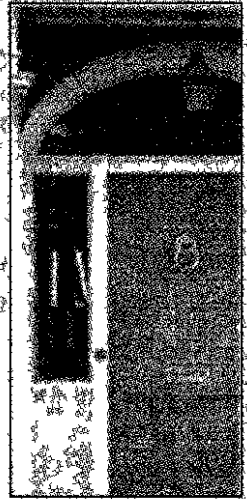
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Add decorative lighting for outdoor safety

(MS) — There are many reasons to add landscape lighting to your home's exterior. The welcoming glow of landscape lighting can add curb appeal and value, even as it increases your home's safety and security during the fall and winter months.

There are styles to satisfy just about every taste and architectural design. To create a coordinated look, seek manufacturers who offer lighting in several sizes, allowing homeowners to place the same style of outdoor lighting in different areas.

For example, a larger-sized fixture at the garage area can coordinate with the same style, but in a slightly smaller size, for the front door area, which can also coordinate with the smaller version to be placed at the back door.

Additionally, a combination of landscape lighting with decorative outdoor lighting can add a sense of security to your home. Potential intruders will be

discouraged by a well-illuminated landscape that leaves them few places to hide.

Here are a few things to consider when adding outdoor lighting:

- Pathways should be evenly lit for safety. Uneven path areas or areas where walking could be difficult should have increased illumination of 25 to 50 percent for safety.

- Each tread or step should be illuminated. This can be achieved by adding path lights for illumination or recessed step lights to increase security and add an attractive, low-level glow of light to your evening landscape.

- To increase security of larger areas, consider lighting from above. Flood lighting can be added along strategic areas of a home or building's eaves to optimize light.

For more information on lighting fixtures and design, or to find a dealer in your area, call (800) 347-5483 or visit www.SeaGullLighting.com



The welcoming glow of landscape lighting can add curb appeal and value.

Use the power of light to change look and feel

(NU) — The use of light is an integral element in art, architecture and design. It has the power to dramatically change the look and feel of everything, from a sculpture to a family room or even a hallway.

Incorporating lighting elements into a home can alter the ambience from clean and modern to warm and rustic, creating specific moods and enhancing colors and textures.

Consider these tips for bringing both natural and artificial light elements into your home design for breathtaking results:

- Let the natural light shine in. Windows bring the dynamic qualities

of daylight into a home, capturing outside views, enhancing colors and flooding surfaces, rooms or any interior spaces with natural light.

However, bringing in more natural sunshine can increase the temperature of a room due to heat transfer through windows. To get the natural sun without unwanted temperature changes, you may want to consider tinted glass to help reduce the transfer of heat.

In addition to capitalizing on natural light through the strategic placement of windows, you can choose from a broad scope of window shapes, juxtapositions and designs to create an artistic flair.

- Use decorative lights for night and day. The imaginative use of alternative lighting can showcase unique features inside and outside the home.

Instead of using traditional overhead lighting or table lights, artistically combine shadows and light with subtle tree lights lining the edges of the ceiling or a chandelier with a dimmer.

- Reflect light to enhance the ambience. Often overlooked as a key element in the lighting of a home, mirrors have traditionally been utilized solely as a tool for personal reflection. The creative placement of mirrors can throw light around the

room, making a room sparkle and appear larger.

While an entire wall of mirrors may seem a little risky, the placement of framed mirrors sporadically on a particular wall brings a fresh, artistic element into the home.

Regardless of its source — whether it's natural light that streams in through a window or the soft glow from a table lamp or chandelier — lighting is an important decorative accessory in a home.

For more information on how to customize your window designs, visit Jeld-Wen online at www.jeld-wen.com

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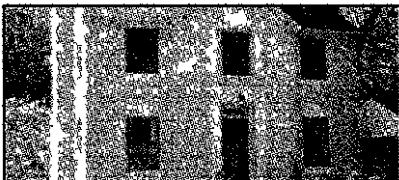
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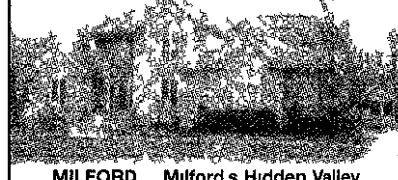
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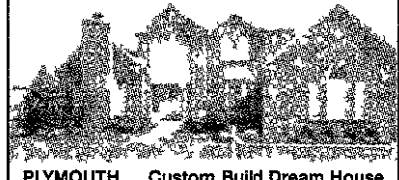
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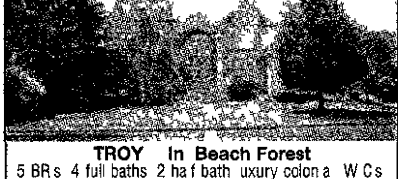
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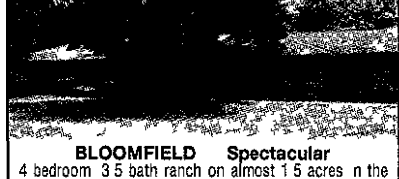
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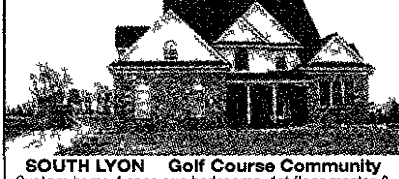
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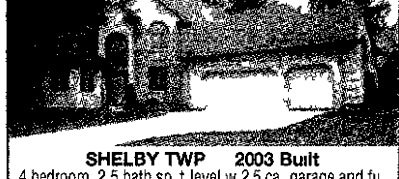
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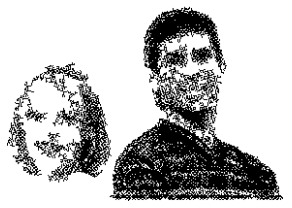


ROCHESTER HILLS Hawthorn Hills
Hardwood foyer and hall, ceramic kitchen cabinets, island counter, crown moldings, judges paneling, jetted tub, wet bar, 2 1/2 fireplaces and finished basement. Newer windows, roof and garage door.
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Apartment Decorating Gives You Head Start

By DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
Special Writer

Picking the right apartment can give you a head start in decorating your home

For instance, many apartments are listed as contemporary or traditional at Fourmidable, with 32 apartment communities in Michigan. Choosing the style you like best gives you a base from which to build.

"We're trying to give people more choices in apartment living," explains Barbara Davis, Fourmidable marketing and communications manager.

Walls at Fourmidable are covered in smoky taupe with white accents in contemporary units. The traditional apartments are painted in shades of white.

The contemporary units also have track lighting and Berber carpets, which add to the sleek look. Traditional apartments have plush carpets.

"That way they already have a style going when they move in," Davis says.

Renters are also given the option of choosing accent walls to add variation and excitement to rooms.

"People like having the option of different colors," Davis said. "Our conventional communities offer designer walls so people can select these accent walls in bedrooms, living rooms and dining rooms to allow them to personalize and customize a space. The more it feels like home the more people are inclined to reside with us longer."

Ceramic floors are going in kitchens as apartments are updated, Davis says.

"And people really seem to appreciate that," she adds.

Renters may also change light fixtures with anything from chandeliers to ceiling fans as long as the original light is replaced, according to Penny Torrey of Autumn Ridge, which has 176 apartment units in Canton. Group Five Management, with 16 communities throughout Michigan and Ohio, owns Autumn Ridge.

"You can pretty much do what you want as long as it's restored to its original condition when they move out," Torrey says. "If you want to paint the wall we have to be able to cover it in one coat."

Rooms in Autumn Ridge are grayish and some feature

Berber. The paint is off-white, "because it will go with almost anything," Torrey says.

That goes for wallpaper, too. If you put it up, you have to take it down.

Making the switch from a house to an apartment means downsizing and purging the clutter that can pack a house.

"We try to match lifestyle to the space of the person's needs and wants," Davis says. "We tell them to think about, 'what do I need and what do I want around me?' Oftentimes it's about getting rid of large pieces of furniture. Which ones really speak to you? Think about how you might work with the space."

Keep in mind too, she adds, that smaller furniture and lighter colors make rooms look larger.

Small spaces are dramatically enhanced with mirrored doors, Davis says.

"A tiny vestibule with a mirrored door reflects the whole living area," she adds. "It's useful and adds a lot of drama. It really expands the space. In some communities we've added closet organizers as an option. It's another way to help people organize a smaller space."

Added touches help people stay in the same location longer.

"They do make it more like their own," Torrey says. "They may put an area rug over carpeting to make them cozier."

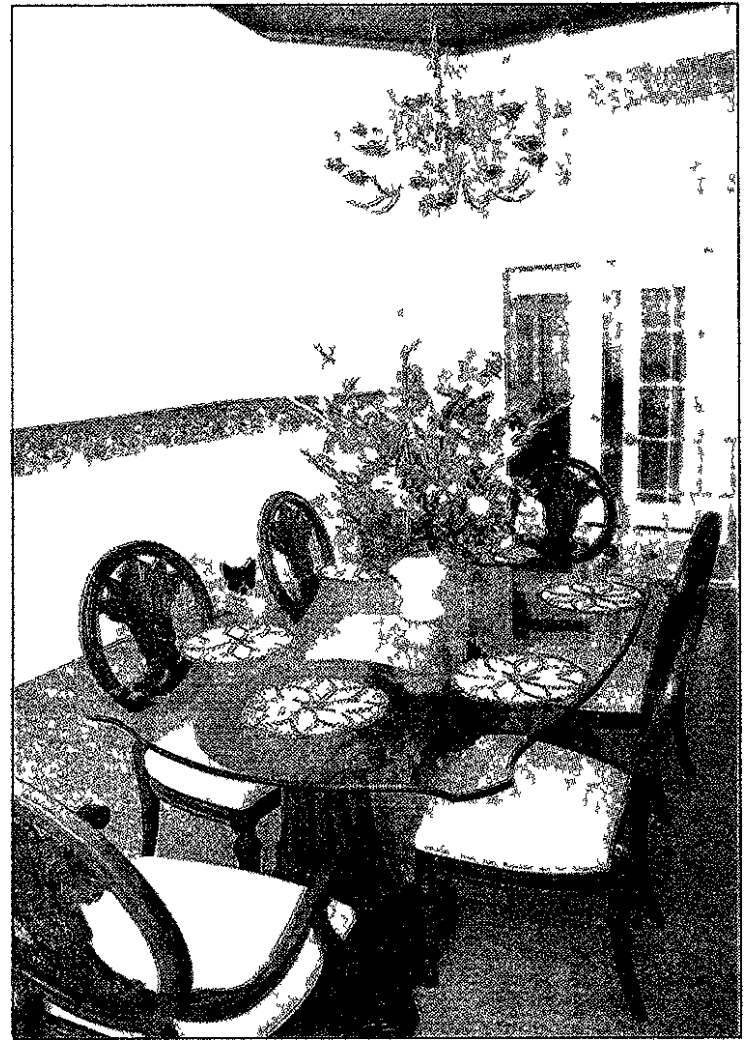
If you make holes in the walls to hang shelves or pictures, remember you won't be responsible for the tiny ones, Torrey says. But, the larger holes will have to be repaired.

Davis tells clients to ask themselves what's most important to take. It helps, too, to visualize what everything will look like.

"If I've fulfilled your desires and met your needs then you're more likely to lease with me," Davis says. "It's not an accident that our leasing personnel are called leasing consultants, because their role is to consult and find out what the needs and desires are."

We have a more selective buyer than we've ever had before."

Although, most Fourmidable Apartments provide



Many apartments now feature choices in home décor.

window treatments, she says, more and more renters are trying out their own creativity.

"I have seen people with a rod and some beautiful fabric wrapped around a pole and letting it drape on one side to create a dramatic window," Davis says. "Adding art really creates a feeling and a mood and a sense of quality rather than the poster style pictures, too."

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Apartment Living Takes Headache Out Of Maintenance

By **DIANE GALE ANDREASSI**
Special Writer

You know the frustration of home maintenance if you've ever made a honey do list for your spouse to take care of the things that go wrong in your home and there it sits collecting dust

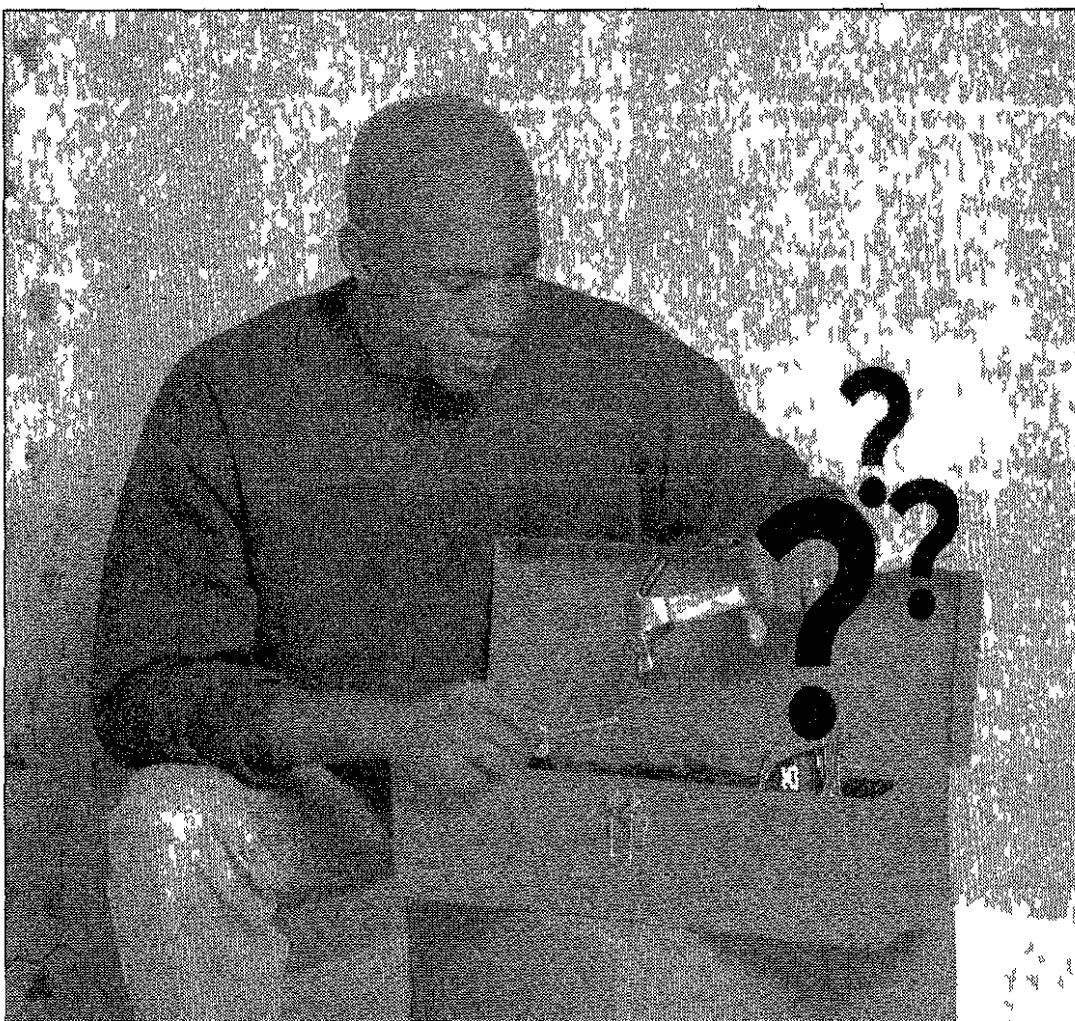
Or, maybe you're waiting to hit the lottery and can afford to pay the plumber, electrician and handy man

Even the handiest of people have dreams of what might be repaired for the days when they have enough time, money or both

Living in an apartment can pretty much wipe away those concerns. You have a leaky faucet or a closet door goes off the hinge and all you have to do is make a call to get it fixed. In most apartments the repair is done within 24 hours.

Lisbeth Renkin, a leasing manager at Pontrail Apartments who also lives in the South Lyon complex, knows first hand about the luxury of having a staff of people who are available to come to the rescue if something goes wrong.

"I don't know that much about fixing things," Renkin says. "And I don't have to worry about fixing them."



When you live in an apartment, you don't have to be the handyman!

Living in an apartment as opposed to living in a house means less worry and "it's definitely cheaper" when it comes to repairs, she adds.

Renkin recently had a problem with the water in her shower running. She called the apartment office, a work order was written and the maintenance staff came out and her shower was fixed.

There were no trips to Home Depot or desperate searches through the telephone book and decisions about who to call.

"When you live in an apartment you have the benefit of having a handy man at your disposal pretty much," explains Sandra Zendell, property manager of Country Corner Apartments in Southfield.

In fact, that luxury is one of the most common reasons, Zendell says, people choose to live in apartments.

"They don't want to shovel the snow, fix appliances or do the other maintenance," Zendell adds. "There's a staff of people who do that for them, which makes apartment living so desirable."

The best part is that there is no extra charge unless someone puts their fist through the wall during a fight or "they do something unusual to break the appliance," Zendell adds.

"It's carefree living and it makes their life a lot easier," she adds. "They know someone is looking after them."

Lock-outs are one of the most common emergency calls to the maintenance staff at Woodbury Management with 14 apartment properties in metro Detroit, including Diamond Forest in Farmington Hills, Twin Arbors in Plymouth and Woodridge in Livonia, as well as other locations in Colorado and Missouri.

"You just make a call to an emergency number and someone would come out as soon as they could get there - usually within a half hour - to fix it," according to Nick Sheffler, Woodbury leasing consultant.

If the call is made after regular working hours, Sheffler says, there is a \$20 charge to open the door. However, during regular working hours the service is free.

Pipe and gas leaks, as well as refrigerator and air conditioning breakdowns are the most common maintenance repairs, Sheffler says. If you live in a home, those repairs can be the biggest headaches, because they need to be fixed immediately.

Usually people who have had bad experiences in the past with maintenance problems in their homes are most drawn to the convenience of having a maintenance person on hand for their apartment repairs, he adds.

"Those are the people who ask before hand," if the maintenance is covered, Sheffler says. "A lot of people rent so they don't have to take care of household things that come up like that."

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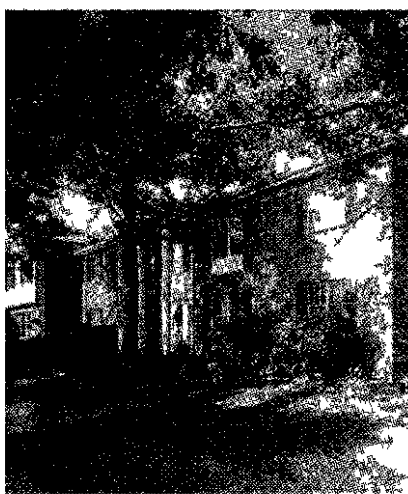
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Socializing Becomes Easier In Apartments



The fitness room at your apartment complex is a great place to make friends

By **DIANE GALE ANDREASSI**
Special Writer

Another perk of apartment living is having a social calendar that's always full.

Finding other residents in the apartment who have the same interests can be a wonderful way for singles and couples to make new friends and have someone to share the activities you enjoy.

"Basically, it's getting people together who have common interests," says Peggy Henwood, leasing consultant of Bloomfield on the Green.

"That way, they get to know people here," she adds. "They get together and have fun together."

She's currently putting together a list of events at Bloomfield on the Green. And the options - ranging from going to the theater and gardening, as well as playing and attending sports games, is bound to catch everyone's interests.

"The thing with apartment living in Michigan is that we have people from all over the country brought in here with the Big Three (automobile companies) and EDS and they don't know a soul," Henwood says.

Providing group activities in the apartments they live in helps them meet their neighbors and gives them something to do especially if they don't know what's available.

"That way they have a home away from home type of thing," Henwood adds.

Apartment fitness rooms, clubhouses and pools are great meeting spots and are other good ways for residents to congregate and potentially meet people.

For instance, Canterbury Woods Apartments in Inkster has cookies, coffee and soda available in the clubhouse. Anyone who wants to take a quick break is invited to have a cup of coffee or a soda with a new or old friend - compliments of Canterbury Woods.

"There's a fireplace and a big screen TV," explains Tiffany Cahalan, Canterbury Woods assistant manager.

"And some people just come in and read or relax," according to Tiffany Cahalan, assistant manager of Canterbury Woods.

Residents who want to meet other fitness minded people might spend time in the facilities workout room. What better way to get to know someone new than to do it while you're working off some extra pounds and stress?

Cahalan says the pool is also a great place for apartment residents to meet one another, especially kids who are looking for playmates who live nearby.

When Henwood worked for another apartment complex, she says, she planned a lot of outings ranging from rafting trips to forming a bowling league. And many of those residents developed long term friendships.

"They got to meet their neighbors and they found that they had something in common with them," she says. "The place I worked before, going back 12 or 13 years, some of those people still know each other. You don't have to be a single - it's basically getting to know your neighbor."

In the past, Henwood says, she also planned a flower competition among residents in the apartment complex. A local greenhouse donated window boxes and seedlings. In the true spirit of competitiveness, residents vied for the title of best green thumb. The result was breathtaking.

"We had the most beautiful community in town because everyone was trying to get the best flowers going," Henwood says. "I'm planning to do these things here too."

Canterbury Woods also plans regularly scheduled events, like an annual picnic complete with a moon walk for kids and monthly bingo that often attracts older residents. An annual ice cream social lures residents of all ages who have a sweet tooth.

"We encourage everyone to come out and have a good time," Cahalan says. "It's pretty important that apartment complexes have things like that. Everyone becomes like a family, just like it is in residential neighborhoods."

Once residents get to know each other, Cahalan adds, they tend to look out for each other's safety.

"People are excited about the events that are coming up whether they are married or single," Cahalan says. "The events are for whoever would like to participate"

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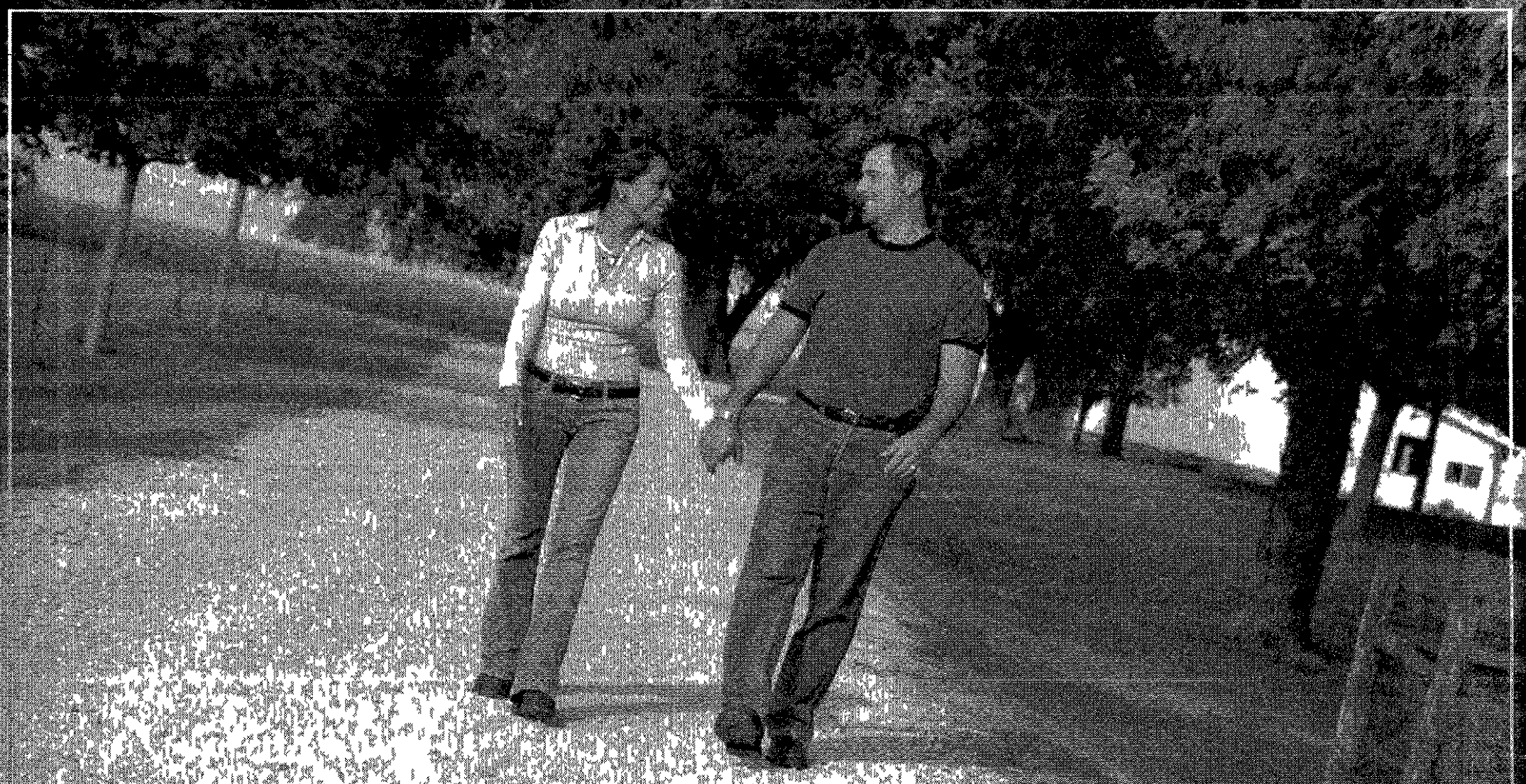
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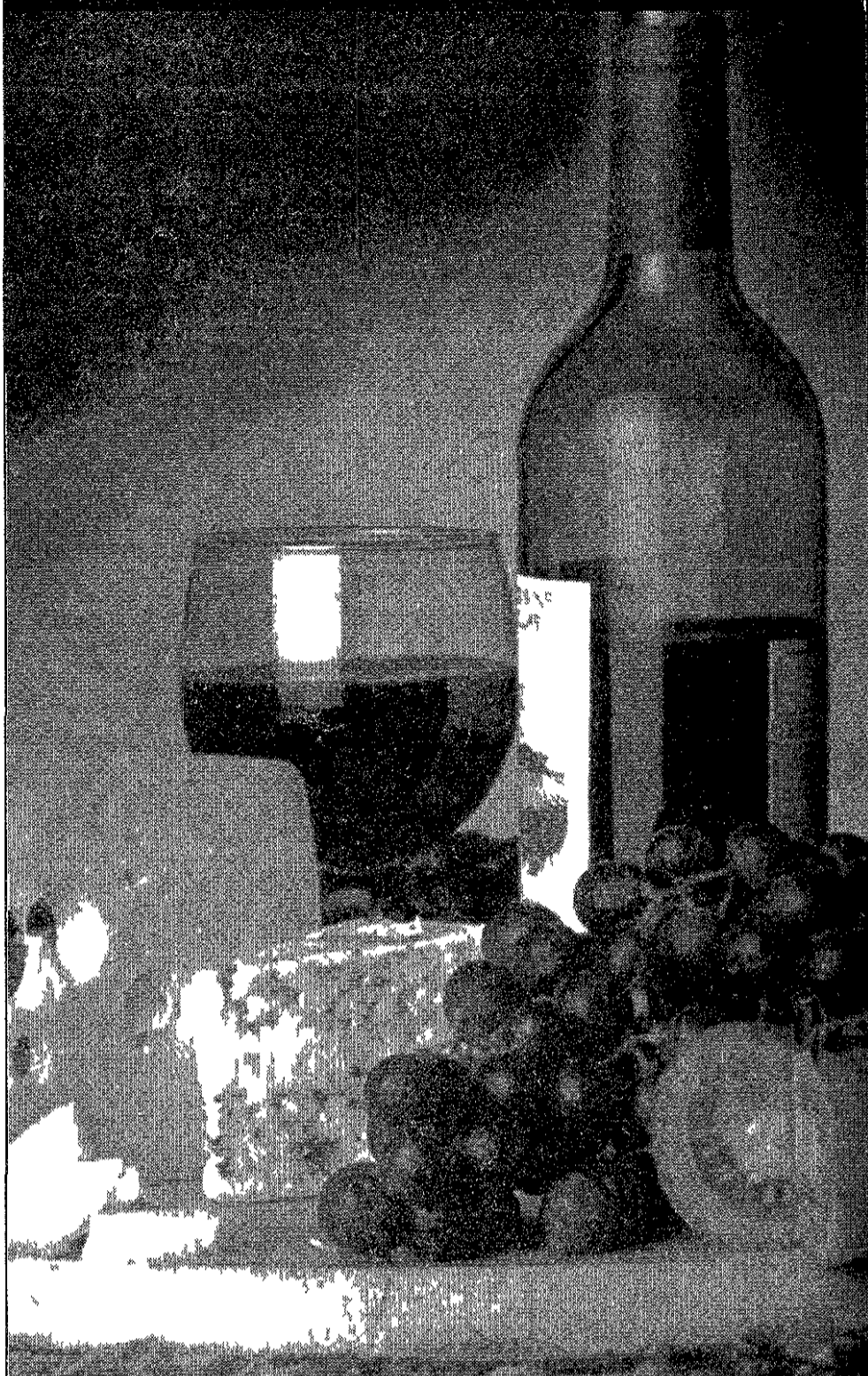


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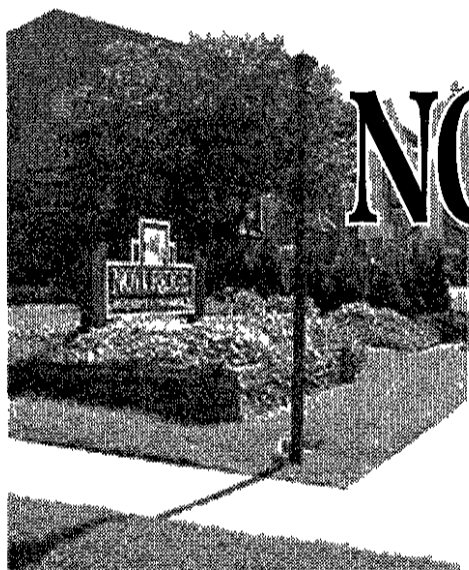
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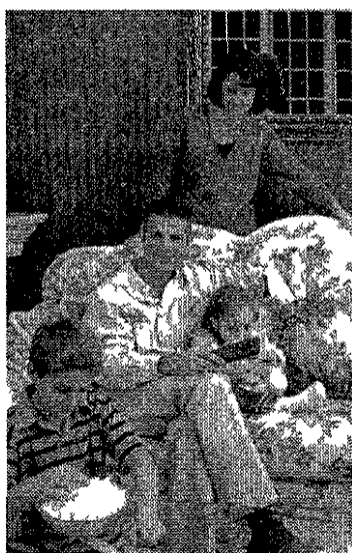
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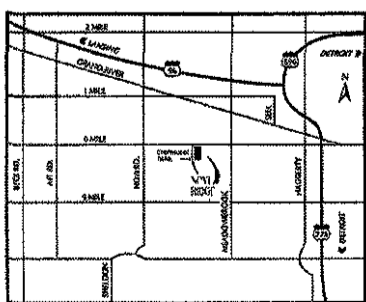


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Uncover the hidden costs of owning a house

By **DIANE GALE ANDREASSI**
Special writer

Living in an apartment is a good way to sidestep a lot of extra, sometimes hidden, costs tagged onto home ownership

These expenses can be just enough to keep some young people from venturing out on their own. Oftentimes, when these first timers do buy their own home, they're forced to move back with family or friends, because these added bills are just too much. "There are a lot of hidden costs in owning a home that are sometimes overlooked," explains Karla Killday, leasing manager of Thornberry Apartments, which is managed by Village Green providing apartment living throughout the Midwest.

Some homeowner novices think all you have to worry about is the mortgage payment. Then they come to find out that owning a home means paying property taxes and homeowner's insurance. Renters don't have property taxes, but they are required to buy renter's insurance. The cost, though, can be as low as \$6 monthly.

Another major cost involved in owning a home is buying appliances, like a stove and refrigerator.

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And there's always the unexpected emergencies tagged onto homeownership that a lot of people are unable to weather.

"A lot of people don't think about the emergency maintenance things that go on with homes, as well," explains Dawn Drozd, Woodbury Communities marketing director with apartments, town houses and senior citizen villages in Livonia, Farmington Hills, Plymouth, Novi, Ann Arbor, Saginaw, Sterling Heights, South Lyon and Shelby Township

"If the roof leaks or a hot water heater quits those are expenses that aren't going to be tacked onto the rent that month," Drozd says.



Appliance repair is one of the hidden costs of home ownership

On the other hand, a homeowner would have to take care of those necessities immediately, because they aren't something that can be postponed

It's just plain easier to live in an apartment. If you have a pool in your backyard, you also have a lot of worry about upkeep and expenses. In an apartment, you jump in and let someone else take care of the fuss

Add on snow removal and landscaping costs that are provided in apartment living and would otherwise be part of life in a house. And there are other conveniences of apartment living. Like, having someone available to accept packages if you're not home.

"Residents don't have to be home and if they miss the UPS person, they don't have to go to pick it up," Killday adds. "We'll sign for it. Empty nesters want to get rid of the maintenance and the up keep of a home. And it can be affordable."

There are other inconveniences, too. Some

people enjoy living in certain communities without the big price tag of owning a home, she says. Living in an apartment is especially attractive when parents want to keep their children in specific school district

"People forget when they own a house there's a lot of painting and other maintenance and regularly needed upkeep," Drozd explains

"Would you rather weed a flower bed or go to an art fair on your weekends?" she asks. "Would you rather paint the bathroom or lie by the pool in an apartment?"

There are other considerations, too, like having the flexibility to move whenever you want

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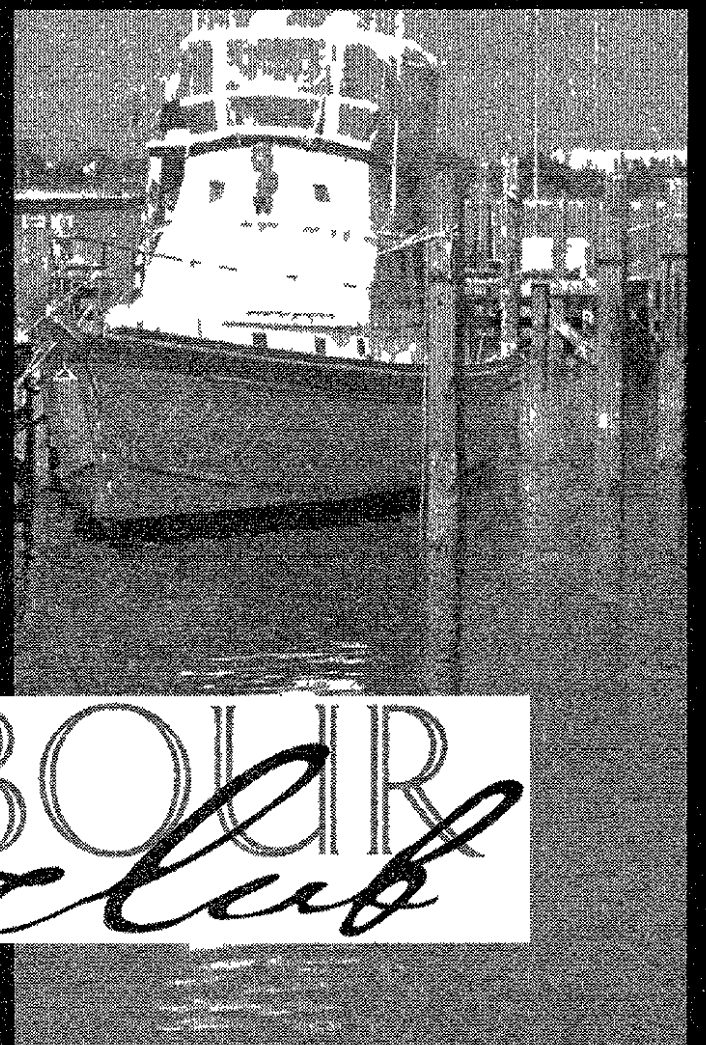
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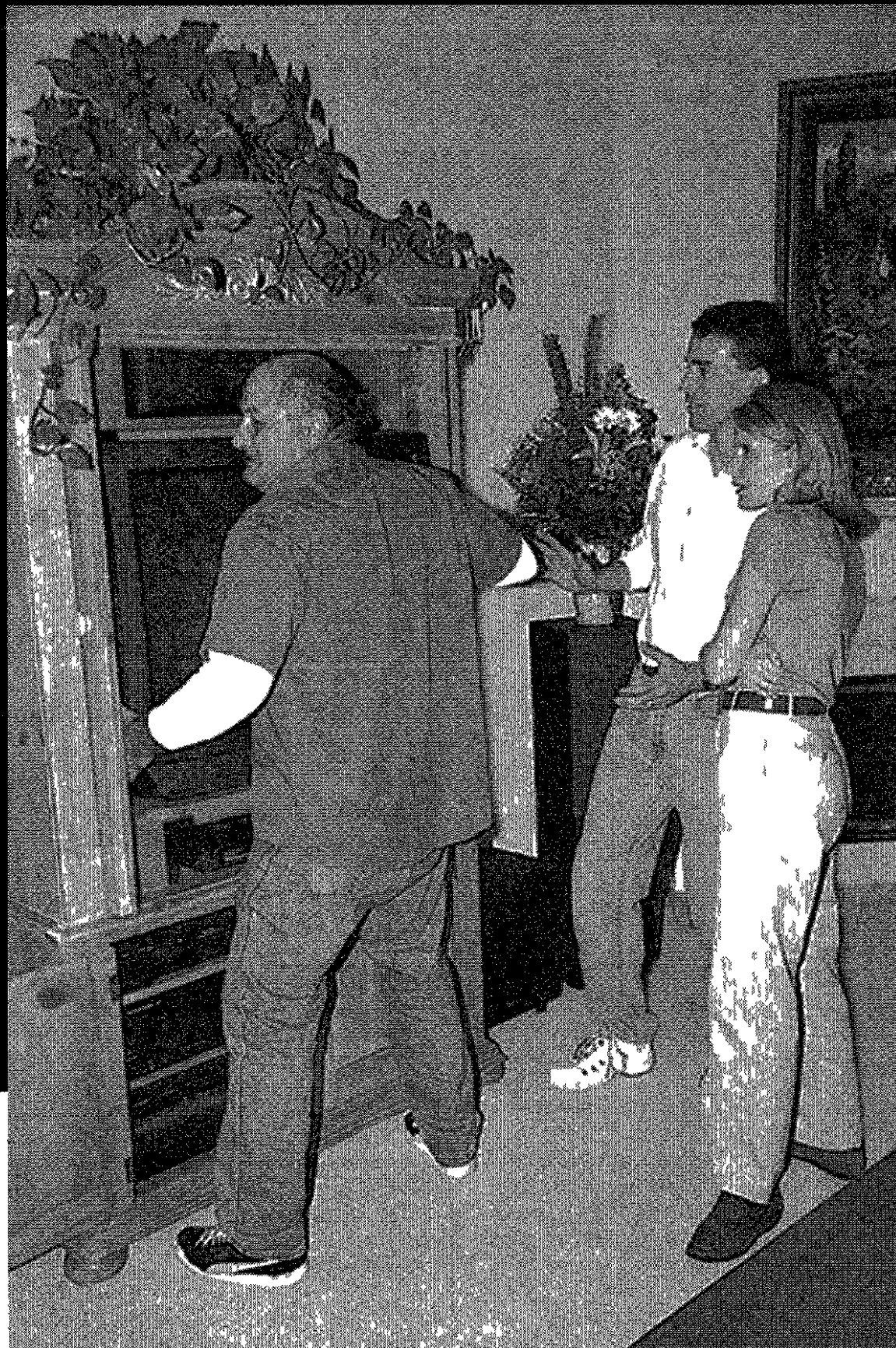
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Nix the friends when searching for roommates

By **DIANE GALE ANDREASSI**
Special writer

Finding a roommate can be tricky business and the obvious people who you consider might not be the best choices.

Don't roommate with a friend, according to Catherine Dube, residential manager of Great Oaks Apartments in Rochester.

"If you're a friend with someone and you move in with them, it usually turns sour," says Dube, who has been in the apartment business for more than a decade.

"It can ruin your friendship," she says. "If there are people who don't know each other, but advertise their rooms for rent, it usually goes better."

Dube stresses that her observations aren't based on official studies, but rather what she has seen.

Some roommate search services will conduct credit and background checks to make sure the person doesn't have a documented history of taking advantage of people, Dube says. Many services are available in newspaper classified sections and on the internet.

"It can make you feel more at ease if you don't know the person," she adds. "You definitely want to know if the person is trustworthy and won't be delinquent on the rent."

Cutting costs in half is one of the biggest and most obvious reasons to have a roommate. But, if you have to worry every month about whether our roommate is going to come up with their share, it might not be worth the savings.

There are other benefits to having a roommate. Maybe you don't like coming home to an empty apartment night after night. Or, you might want someone to share in the housecleaning.

Whatever you do, take the time to ask yourself questions about whether the person is a good choice for you.

"I tell them it's hard enough to live with someone you're related to or married to let alone a

roommate," explains Donna Athanasoff, residential manager of Timberlea Village in Rochester Hills.

"You really have to have someone you have confidence in and someone with the same lifestyle," Athanasoff says.

If you like a home to be extremely neat, make sure the person you plan to share living quarters with feels the same way. If you tend to be messy, keep away from a roommate who demands an immaculate environment.

Use common sense, Athanasoff says.

"Be kind and thoughtful," she adds. "Don't always put yourself first and ask yourself how this (whatever you're about to do) would influence the person you're living with."

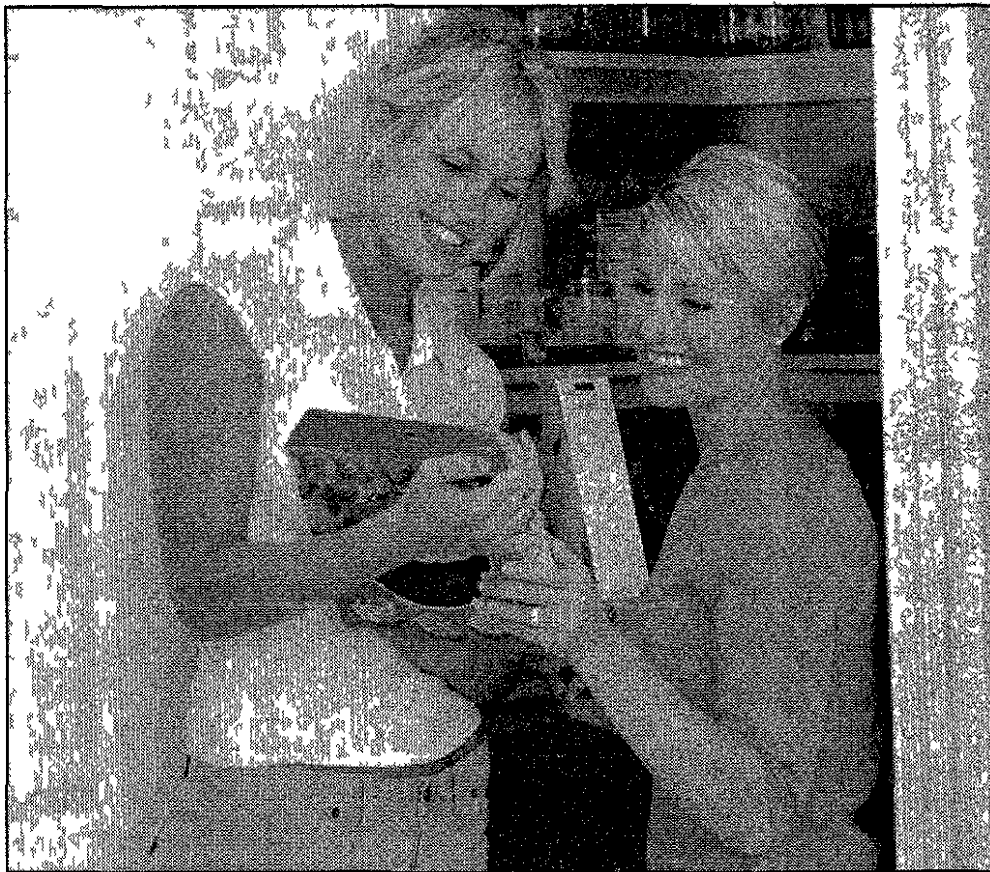
If it's a concern, ask whether the person smokes and if they plan to do it in the apartment?

"They should really know a person before they move in," Athanasoff says, adding that "it truly isn't easy" to find a roommate.

Peggy Henwood, leasing consultant of Bloomfield on the Green, says to make sure you get the rules of the kitchen down before you move in together. How people behave in the kitchen can make or break a roommate relationship, she adds. Little things might become big issues if they aren't talked about first.

For instance, you might want to explain that your leftovers are off limits to the roommate, no matter what.

"That can cause a war," Henwood says.



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Maybe, you have a pet peeve about leaving dishes in the sink. Sometimes, even the smallest details, like whether to use dish soap or the dishwasher, can become a problem, Henwood adds.

Bigger issues should be considered, too. For instance, you should know how the potential roommate feels about entertaining guests on a long-term basis. If they plan to have a friend stay for a night, a week or a month it could become a problem for you.

Maybe, the person has little idiosyncrasies, like walking in and out of rooms while they dental floss, that will end up driving you crazy. The key here is to stay flexible and not sweat the small things, according to the experts.

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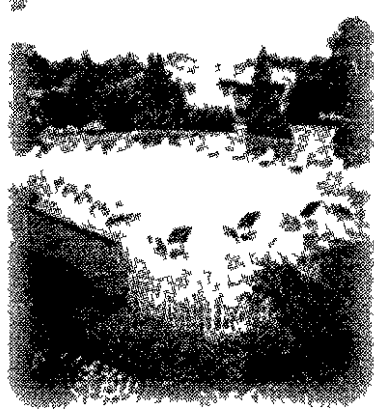
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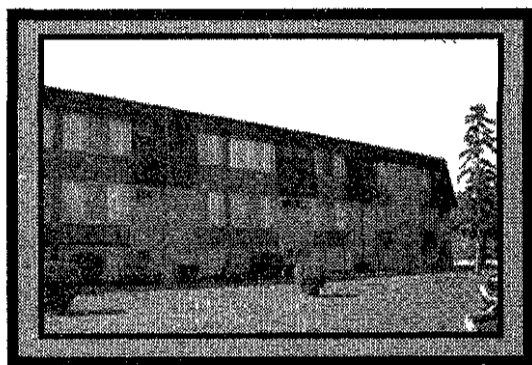
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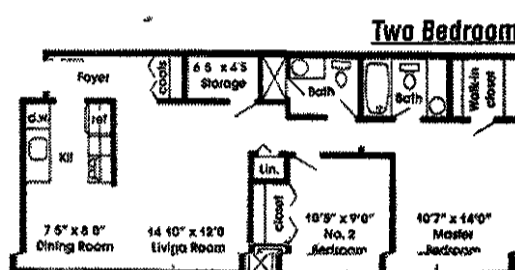
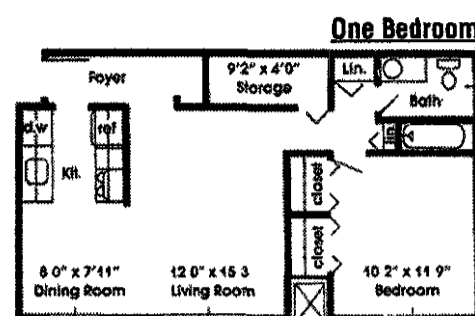
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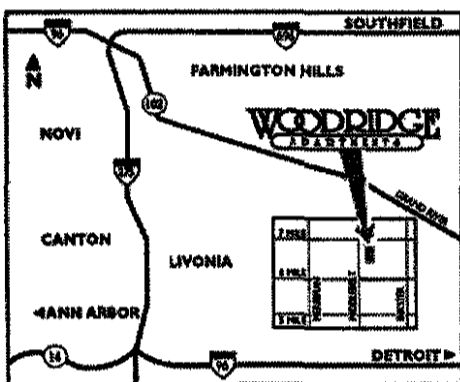
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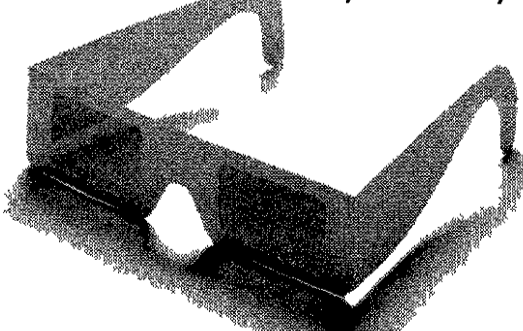
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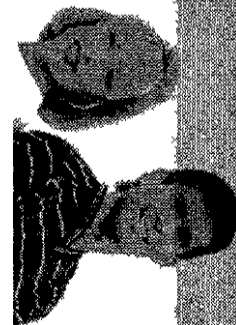
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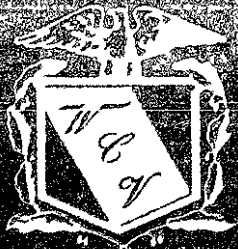
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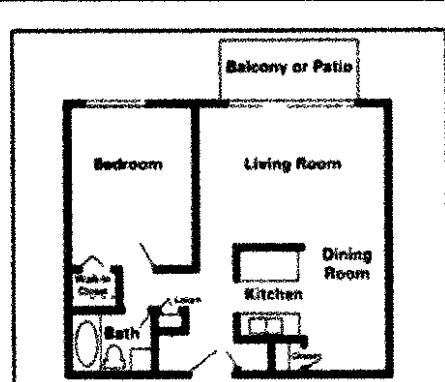


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Must have H S diploma or equivalent be 18 years old and have a valid Mich gan driver's license meeting n m num qualifications EO1's must obtain and maintain a Comm D Lic (CDL) w th n 90 days of h re date

Applications job description EO1 skill eval form n driving requirements and pre employment requirements are available on the Garden City Web Site www.gardencitymi.org or at the Personnel Office in City Hall 6300 Middlebelt Rd Garden City Beginning 8/2 from 8 30am 4 30 pm

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Yes, you can afford to stay home with your kids



WORKWISE
by Mildred L. Culp

With a little creative budgeting, it's easier than you think to live on one income and stay at home with the kids. Yes, You Can Afford to Stay Home With the Kids (915 words, US)

It's a desire many parents have but usually just dream about -- having the financial resources to live on one income so the other can stay at home with the kids

Most of us think that's impossible. However, being a stay-at-home mom or dad can be achieved with a little creative budgeting, even for families who aren't swimming in money

First, you must assess your monthly finances to see where your money goes. For example, you'll see that one paycheck usually covers the large household expenses like the mortgage, rent, utilities, food, etc. The other check covers work-related expenses such as child care, commuting, dry cleaning and office attire, not to mention the additional costs you incur just because you work, such as spending money on that pizza you brought home for dinner because you worked late or the \$10 sandwich you ordered for lunch because you were swamped and couldn't leave your desk. Maybe you've hired a housekeeper or gardener because you just don't have time for those things because of your long hours. Whatever the case, just think about how much money you could save if you didn't have to go to work. All these "extra" expenses would be cut dramatically or even eliminated altogether if you stayed at home

Next, do a trial run to see if one salary really can pay all your bills. Calculate your income and expenses, accounting for the lower tax bracket you'll be in. Make sure that one spouse can cover the family's health coverage, and that you can still save enough money for a joint retirement. After you crunch all the numbers, see what little extras you can cut back on or eliminate entirely and devise other ways to cut costs even further

Here are a few suggestions

- * Buy in bulk Shop in stores like Price Club or Costco where you can pay less for more. Just be sure not to buy 20 ketchup bottles if you only go through one a year
- * Clip coupons and buy on sale Sunday newspapers have loads of them. Don't let coupons sit around and expire just because you have a stockpile of everything. If you have enough toilet paper but it's on sale or you have a coupon for it, it's worth buying and stashing in a closet for future use
- * Make meals from scratch Now that you'll be home, you'll have more time to cook. That means you can cut back on buying costly prepared foods
- * Eat at home instead of a restaurant Eating at home is marginally cheaper than dining out, but restaurant dining just seems to be more "fun," so we tend to do it often. Yet eating at home can be just as exciting if you make it an "event" by holding theme nights. For example, every Tuesday can be "Ethnic Night," where you serve a meal from a different country. You can make Mexican tacos one night and Spanish paella the next
- * Make money on your goods Clean out the house of unwanted items, and have a garage sale. Auction off your more valuable items online, or post them for sale in your local newspaper or penny saver
- * Give homemade gifts Instead of buying expensive presents or taking family or friends out for lavish birthday meals, make them a home-cooked meal of their favorite foods
- * Make your own decorations When the holidays come around, instead of buying decorations, make your own and involve your kids in the process. With some colored construction paper and a bit of creativity, you and your kids can inexpensively decorate your home for any occasion, and have fun doing it together, too
- * Use the library Why buy books when you can borrow them from the library for free (as long as you return everything on time)? Besides books, many libraries carry DVDs or videos that you can borrow, which can cut down on your video-store expenses

* Cut back on little extras
Think about all the extras that you really don't need and can live without. While you may feel lost without your three-way calling feature, think about how often you really use it, along with call forwarding or call waiting. Consider changing your lifestyle slightly. Instead of paying for a private gym membership, work out at the local fitness center or YMCA. Switch to basic cable if you rarely watch premium channels

* Slash credit cards Well, you don't have to cancel them all, but credit cards often promote impulsive buying and may make you spend beyond your means. If you must have a credit card, make sure it carries a low interest rate

* Monitor your utilities It may feel like electric, water and gas expenses are beyond your control, but you can grab the reigns. Wash clothes in cold water to save on energy costs. Run the dishwasher at night, when water rates are lower. Use energy-efficient light bulbs to reduce electricity use. Insulate your windows and attic to lower heating and cooling costs



With a little creative budgeting, it's easier than you think to live on one income and stay at home with the kids.

By creatively fine-tuning your spending habits and following a simple budget, you can turn your dream of staying at home with the kids into a reality

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Wanted professional to direct the daily operations of the accounting dept. Responsibilities include financial reports, GL reconciliation and asset & liability management. Ideal candidate will possess a B.A.B.S. in accounting with 2-5 years related experience. Send resume & salary requirement to Dearborn Group 27007 Hill Tech Court Farmington Hills MI 48331 or email kathleen@dgtech.com

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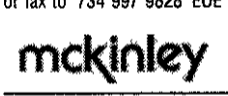
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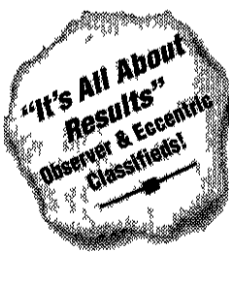
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Help Wanted-Office Clerical 5020

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Help Wanted-Office Clerical 5020

RECEPTIONIST PART TIME Wanted for a local Westland business Flexible hours Medical knowledge a plus Fax resume to 734 427 7987

RECEPTIONIST (Part time) Busy Plymouth real estate office has opening for part time secretary Applicants must be team players outgoing with a desire to learn Hours are evenings and week ends Computer and phone skills required References requested Please fax resume to Alissa Nead (734) 454 4517

RECEPTIONIST Busy Mortgage company in Farmington Hills is seeking a responsible resourceful person to provide receptionist and general clerical duties Responsibilities include answering a multi-line switchboard data entry and misc duties Must be proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel Medical/Dental and 401K available Fax or e mail resume to MMS Mortgage Services (248) 788 0000 Attn Maria maria.greene@membermortgage.com

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SECRETARIAL/RECEPTION Small law office Computer skills & legal exp essential MS Word QuickTime Slips exp preferred Fax resume to 734 994 1201

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST With professional appearance and demeanor to support design/architecture studio in fast paced excellence oriented firm Must type 55 wpm and have strong command of Word and other Windows software Duties require answering and directing calls greeting visitors typing and clerical duties client interface and travel scheduling Associates degree or equivalent minimum 3 years experience Send resume and salary requirements to detroit@SY P.O. Box 5141 Southfield MI 48068 5141 or email

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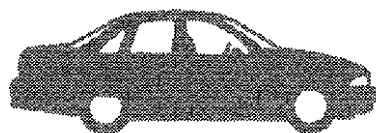
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2004 F-150 really is great

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It took a lot of guts For a company that sold more than 800,000 Ford F-150s in 2002 — representing 23 percent of its total sales in the domestic market — and go ahead and redesign it, well, it took guts. Or maybe it was gut-wrenching, knowing the old adage, don't fix what isn't broken.

The F-150 has always been a strong contender in the full-size truck market here in America, and it showed with the advent of Toyota, Nissan and Mazda throwing their hat in the ring over the last decade. A full-size pickup? Ah, those are only bought by construction guys and cattle ranchers, right?

I don't think anyone expected women would ever buy a full-size truck 20 or 25 years ago. Today, however, it's common. And I know for a fact that my 10 and 12-year-old girls won't buy a passenger car — they want a truck. "Cars are too small, they tell me. And those words were spoken while driving in a full-size passenger car."

A little history, courtesy of Ford's own files: the very first factory-assembled pickup was built in 1925 and cost \$281. More than 34,000 were built that year. In 1948, the F-Series became Ford's all-new, post-war line of vehicles. The designations ranged from F-1 to F-8 (3 ton).

The very first F-150 was introduced in 1975, while in 1988 the first 4x4 SuperCab F-150 was launched. The F-Series has been America's best-selling truck for 26 years running. There have been a host of changes in redesigns in the years after 1980, but this one has got to be the best.

And now in 2004, the F-150 has been redesigned once again, providing it with a lot more comfort features, configurations, better engines and trim levels.

You've got a ton of choices here, folks. That's what makes the F-150 so successful. Every cab choice — Regular Cab, SuperCab and SuperCrew — comes with four full-size doors. Talk about convenience. For you, for your passengers, even for the dog. No more fiddling around with the little half door that you had to have closed before you closed the driver's door.

And speaking of the interior rear room, it's six inches longer, providing even more comfort to your rear passengers and any equipment you have to haul.

Two inches deeper this year are all of the cargo boxes, whether you choose the 5-foot (which will easily fit in your garage) 6-



2004 Ford F-150. Vehicle type: Full-size truck. Power: 5.4-liter V8. Mileage: 14 mpg city/18mpg highway. Where built: Norfolk, Va., Kansas City, Mo., and Dearborn Truck Plant at the Rouge Complex in Dearborn, MI. Price as tested: \$36,180.

foot or 8-foot lengths. On the 5-foot box, you can finally choose from the Flareside or Styleside styles. In the rear, the tailgate benefits from Ford's own Tailgate Assist, which helps you open and close it with a little more ease.

Let me get one quick thing out of the way. Please, for your comfort and convenience, get the running boards put on this truck. I'm not of small stature and I had a heck of a time getting in and out of it. I love the fact that its ground clearance is hefty, but climbing in is a chore without them.

The frame of the F-150 is almost nine times stiffer torsionally than previous models, which improves ride quality, durability, quietness and the ability to drive it easier.

There are five distinctive models to choose from: XL, STX, XLT, FX4 and Lariat. Being the top of the line, no holds barred. Driven this week was the Lariat SuperCab 4x4 SS model with its 145-inch wheelbase. Believe it or not, each model choosing has a distinct look to it and is easily distinguished from the others.

The F-150 is beautifully styled with rounded corners, an aggressive front end and a rear treatment that exerts its mark as a truck.

On the inside, you'll find a host of refinements and a look that makes it feel more like a passenger car than a full-size truck. There is so much room inside that a little kid could get lost. Up front, there's a huge center console separating two large and comfortable captain's chairs.

And up top, there's an overhead rail system that lets you customize your storage options. Available is a simple storage area for glasses and garage door opener, but you can also slide in a DVD entertainment module.

Instrumentation is thoughtful and logically placed. Everything is within the driver's reach and easy to understand

and operate. The interior surfaces are clean and have softer touches, further lending itself to the female market.

Power is delivered by either a 4.6-liter single overhead cam Triton V8 or a 5.4-liter single overhead cam Triton V8. Driven was the 5.4-liter, which was quite powerful driving it around town and on the freeways. The 5.4-liter delivers 300 horsepower and is mated to a new four-speed automatic transmission. The 4.6-liter gives you 231 horsepower, has two valves per cylinder and a cast iron block also mated to a four-speed automatic.

We talked about the added rigidity of the F-150. There's more to that than just ride quality. It's also a safety issue. Its structure allows this truck to absorb more crash energy and disperse it before it reaches the interior cab.

Other safety features include dual stage driver and front-passenger air bags, driver's seat position sensor, safety belt pretensioner and an electronic crash severity sensor. If the vehicle detects there isn't a passenger in front, it automatically deactivates the passenger's side air bag.

There are side canopy air bags, SecurLock system to protect the vehicle from theft, battery saver that turns off the interior lights automatically if you leave them on and a fail-safe cooling system that allows you to drive the F-150 even if most of the engine coolant is lost.

In the rear bumper are sensors that detect objects in the way through a series of warning tones, culminating in a steady tone when the vehicle is about eight inches away from the object. The pedals are adjustable for your comfort and there's a keypad entry access feature that lets you enter the vehicle without a key.

Motor Trend gave its coveted Truck of the Year award to the F-150 this year, an accolade it deserves. Go take a look, I think you'll agree.

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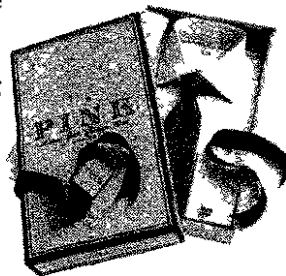
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The Somerset opening will mark Marshall Field's third exclusive Thomas Pink shop in the Midwest. The first boutique opened at the Marshall Field's State Street store in 2002, and the second boutique opened July 16 in Minneapolis.

The Thomas Pink boutique will be furnished with traditional mahogany in a modern design, and will feature the classic visual elegance that embodies the Thomas Pink image known across the globe.

T.J. MAXX EXPANDS ACCESSORIES DEPARTMENT

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — T.J. Maxx, the nation's largest off-price retailer, will be expanding the accessories department of its store in Bloomfield Town Square on South Telegraph Road. The department will offer more than ever when it comes to handbags, fine jewelry and luggage. "Accessories add excitement and pizzazz to a wardrobe and speak volumes about a person's taste and style," said T.J. Maxx Spokesperson Renee Katziff. "With the success of these product categories, we felt customers would embrace a larger accessories department."

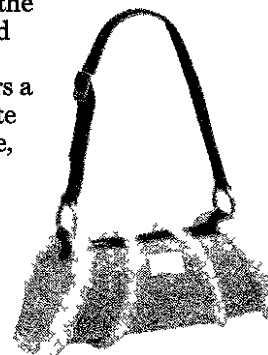
T.J. Maxx opened its first store in 1977, and has since expanded to 750 retailers in 48 states. It carries apparel for women, men and children as well as giftware, domestics, women's shoes, accessories and fine jewelry at prices up to 60 percent below department stores. Each week the store receives more than 10,000 new items, ensuring a continual flow of fresh merchandise. Visit tjmaxx.com for more.

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NOVI — The Natural Living, Decor, Art & Fashion Expo will bring innovative products to the Novi Expo Center Aug. 6-8. The event will feature more than 40 free seminars and stage shows including the *Choreography of Metro Style*, featuring high fashion, couture, urban looks and Detroit models and dancers. Special guests include Feng Shui expert Dennis Fairchild, business astrologer and author Gwen Miller and furniture expert Greg Eitelman of Roche Bobois. Enter to win tickets to Fash Bash from the Detroit Institute of Art and dinner and a show from the Gem Theatre, Detroit. Visit the Natural Living section featuring the newest in holistic health, alternative medicine and nutrition. Guests can stop and have their hair done by Palazzolo of Royal Oak. The show opens at 9:30 a.m. Friday and 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$7 for adults, \$4 for teens, and children are free. For more information and a coupon for \$1 off, visit www.lifeintl.com/expo.htm.

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS — Thanks to the launch of shopscottgregory.com, customers can now buy merchandise from the tony Bloomfield Hills boutique online, 24 hours a day. To celebrate its new Website, Scott Gregory will offer free shipping through Aug. 15. In addition, customers will be able to pre-order Ugg Handbags — the new "must-have bag" of the season, online only. Quantities are limited nationwide, and many vendors have already sold much of their allotments. The bags sell for \$135-\$495 and look like the popular Ugg Boots from last season.



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Women get their game on

editor's column

When I was 18, I moved to South Lake Tahoe sight unseen. I had grown up in California dreaming — fascinated with the prospect that there was a place on Earth that was warm all year, full of beautiful movie stars, where you could spend your days surfing the ocean waves and working on your tan.

So when a girlfriend in high school asked me if I wanted to move to California with her after graduation, I didn't hesitate. I saved my tips from Olga's Kitchen, packed a few cardboard boxes and took the plunge into what I thought would be the Pacific Ocean.

Needless to say, I arrived in a very different place. Tahoe is located nine hours northeast of Hollywood, and 6,000 feet higher.

The only beach is along the frigid shores of Lake Tahoe, and it can snow 36 inches in one night during the winter.

I found myself in the middle of the Sierra Nevada mountain range and it was the best move I ever made.

I soon started working at Heavenly Valley resort and learned to ski. I bought a mountain bike instead of a car and rode it to work and school. When a friend asked me to try yoga on the beach, I took him up on it, and when he asked me to go hiking, I accepted that offer too.

The first time I climbed Mt. Tallac, I thought I was going to die, but I kept putting one foot in front of the other — for about four hours — until I reached the top. The view was breathtaking. Desolation Wilderness undulated before me like an ocean in itself, and gave me a brand new perspective on life.

Growing up in Michigan, I had always been active, but I never considered myself athletic because I didn't like organized team sports. In Tahoe, I learned there were many ways to be an athlete, and I woke up every day planning adventures.

I learned to rock climb, water ski, roller blade, cross country ski. You name it.

Meanwhile, I learned something that seems cliché — I can climb any mountain. If you take it one step at a time, you will eventually reach your goal, after all.

I have been back in Michigan for 10 years now, but I still carry with me the memory of the mountains and the lessons I learned there. I am still active, but I have translated the confidence I learned in athletics to achieve less tangible goals at work and in my relationships.

I reach them the same way I reached the top of the peaks — by staying cool under pressure, keeping my eyes on the prize, and plodding along.

Physical education has much to teach, and the last two issues of PINK have featured women athletes who have excelled in their sports beyond any expectations.

Ruth Riley of the Detroit Shock and Triathlete Sheila Taormina will compete in this year's Olympic Games in Athens, Greece. Tricia Saunders will coach the U.S. Women's Wrestling team there — the first time women's wrestling will be admitted as an official Olympic sport. Kim Grodus is a quarterback in the championship Detroit Demolition, proving women can handle full contact football — unheard of in the very recent past.

Yogini Linda Kay and mountain biker Sarah Manning illustrate women can master more independent physical activities.

These women serve as inspiration to all of us, and especially young women growing up who have never even heard of Title IX. That federal act, passed in 1972, required public schools to provide the exact same opportunities for girls as boys, and proved to make landmark changes in school sports.

Studies have since concluded girls who participate in sports experience improved physical, social and mental well-being, as well as higher academic achievement.

I don't need a study to show me the confidence I see in my friends' daughters who participate in school sports. Gone are stereotypes of the dumb jock or the tomboy. Here to stay are examples of healthy, strong girls and women who have learned they get personal satisfaction out of achieving physical goals.

As you read about Sheila, Kim and Tricia on Pages 6-7 this week, and tune into the 2004 Summer Games this month, I hope you are motivated by the tremendous achievements of women in sports — locally, nationally and globally.

I know I am.

And I'm looking forward to my chance to learn surfing, more than ever before!

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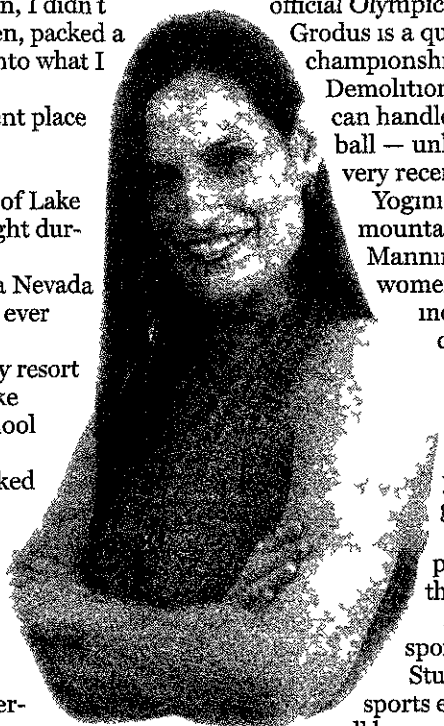
Olympic Fast Facts

■ **First modern Olympic Games:** 1896, Athens
241 men, 0 women

■ **1900:** Women participated for the first time in Olympics. More sporting events have been added for women each Olympic year ever since.

■ **Last recorded Olympic Games:** 2000, Sydney, Australia, 6,582 men, 4,069 women; 10,651 total athletes.

—Compiled by Lindsey Paterson



next week

What happens when a bunch of Royal Oak moms get together and play punk rock nursery rhymes for their sugar-crazed kids? You've seen Candy Band in the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Post* and *The Sun*. This week you'll see them on *Today*, and next week, they'll be right here in PINK.



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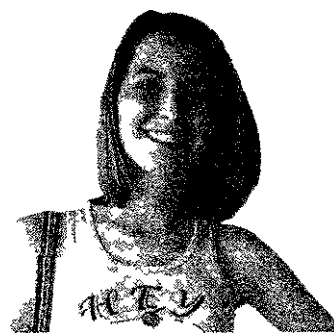
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Q: I'm getting married in a few months and want to get my bridesmaids meaningful but fun gifts. Something more hip and creative rather than traditional and predictable would be my preference. Do you have any suggestions?

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Hip bridal party gifts

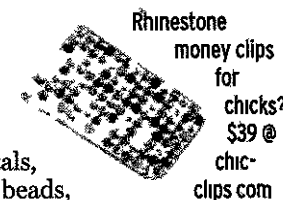
A: Congratulations on the upcoming wedding and, on behalf of bored bridesmaids everywhere, I commend you for wanting to break away from stale tradition! Personalized gifts are always great, and that doesn't just have to mean monogramming. For instance, you can head to micnorman.com for customized belt buckles. Send in a photo of whoever or whatever you want — you and your maid of honor together or perhaps of her beloved pet Fifi — either way you can create your own design for \$95.

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with semi-precious stones, fresh water pearls, Swarovski crystals, glass and other beads, these colorful necklaces are great for beach weddings. Prices range around \$200-\$300, though discounts are given when you buy for multiple bridesmaids. Have a look at neckisses.com. Groomsmen aren't the only ones who can enjoy money clips, now your bridesmaids can, too. Only these are much more fun! Chic Clips money clips are made of rhinestones and come in feminine and funky designs like customized initials, heart and cocktail designs, among others. Fun and well priced at \$39-\$49, snag some at chicclips.com.



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Kelly Lee runs the online style magazine BussBuss.com and designs fabulously fun clothing and accessories. Got an online shopping question? Ask kelly@bussbuss.com!

Sarah Jessica puts her twist on Gap jeans

NEW YORK — The burning fashion question over at Gap these days is 'How do you wear it?'

If you're Sarah Jessica Parker, the answer is: With velvet ribbon and bows. Parker stars in the retailer's fall marketing campaign, and for her ads, the *Sex and the City* actress customized several pairs of jeans. On one pair, she added a velvet ribbon sewn down the legs to imitate tuxedo pants. Another one of her customized looks features jeans cut just below the knee and enhanced with a ribbon bow at the hemline.

She dresses the jeans up and down with her tops, including a shrunken jacket, a sexy secretary's pink cardigan, a black turtleneck and a white button-down shirt with black piping, to which she added a bow tie.

I think the Gap is terrifically creative, fun inspired, and the clothes are for every one of every age, said Parker, known as a fashionista both on screen and off.

'Asking the world, 'How Do You Wear It?' is an invitation for personal expression and a conscious effort to connect the brand more closely with customers,' said Gary Muto, president of Gap. Sarah Jessica Parker's innate sense of style is so dynamic and unique that she is the perfect fit for our fall campaign.'

Other celebrities to be featured in the print ads include Jada Pinkett Smith, Jessica Alba, Lenny Kravitz, Michael Vartan and Peter Krause. Kravitz stars with Parker in the TV campaign, which will debut during the MTV Video Music Awards on Aug. 29.

Gap customers will have a chance to customize their own jeans at in-store events in select cities through October. The Show Us How You Wear It tour also will bring a traveling studio to stores, where customers will be able to have their photo taken that will look like a real Gap ad.

— Samantha Critchell,
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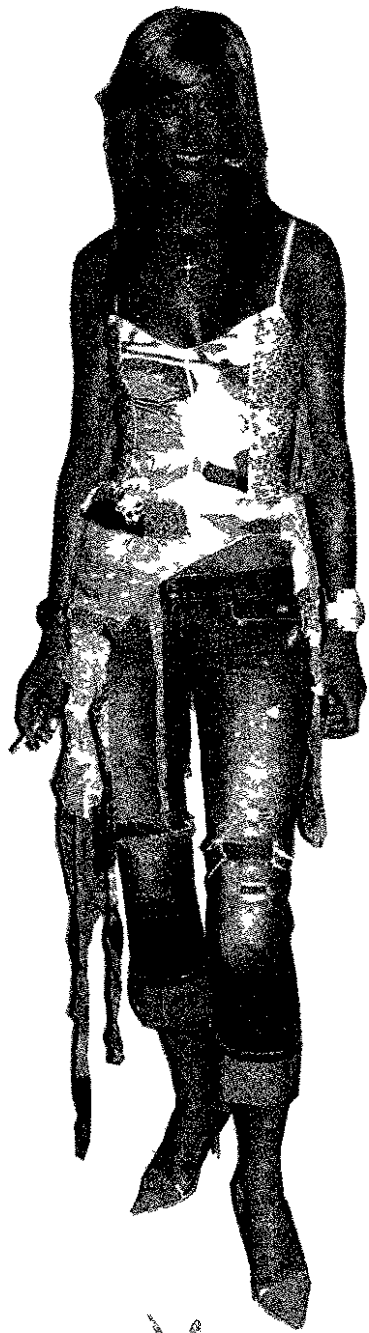
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local looks worthy of the paparazzi

We spotted Sharon Neuman, of Birmingham, one recent summer night in the outdoor gardens of the bosco in Ferndale. Here, Neuman manages to pull off a blend of shabby and chic that screams with a tough, self-styled confidence. Her outfit pairs ripped and cuffed capris fashioned from worn out blue jeans with an asymmetrical, unfinished couture corset top from Luxe in Birmingham. Add a pair of pink stilettoes and a smoke (optional), and you're sure to draw attention.

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SICK OF WAITING FOR A RING?

Women buy their own diamonds these days

By Lindsey Paterson ■ PINK

You don't need a man to get a beautiful ring. And you don't even have to wear it on your left hand.

Independent women of all ages are purchasing more right hand rings than ever before, thanks in large part to DeBeers' right hand ring campaign launched in 1999.

The trend has actually existed for years, originating with divorced women who no longer wanted the symbolic value attached to engagement rings. So what did they do? They took the stones from their previous rings and created pendants and new rings for their right hands.

But it was DeBeers' campaign that heightened national awareness of right hand rings. In the past two years, more women have realized that purchasing rings for themselves is a viable option. Now Helzberg Diamonds, Mondera and Birmingham's David Wachler & Sons Jewelers are among the numerous companies featuring their own lines of right hand rings.

Link Wachler has designed right hand rings for 30 years but said that since the big manufacturers have made the push, these rings have become popular in their own right. He has designed a dozen new styles within the past couple months.

Right hand rings symbolize two kinds of independence, according to Kirk Kuchukian of the Gem Cellar in Birmingham, another designer of the trend.

"Women are and have been suppressed for so long and now are coming of power and importance. They're decision makers, and really want that identity within themselves," Kuchukian said. "The other option is the fact that women who have been divorced who no longer wear a ring on their left ring finger take on the opposite symbolic identification that is now transferred to the right hand."

These rings differ from typical engagement rings because they are free form in design and are multi-dimensional, Kuchukian said. They can vary in metal type — silver, titanium, white or yellow gold, platinum or stainless steel — and be comprised of diamonds and colored gems — amethysts, sapphires and rubies, to name a few.

There are no guidelines for right hand ring wearers, and you can sport them on any desired finger.

"Just buy something that makes you smile," advised Barry Murray of Murray's Jewelry, Redford.

Since the rings vary widely in design, the price tag varies as well. There are options for women with tighter budgets.

Rings made out of sterling silver, stainless steel or titanium cost less than the more expensive metals and are very fashionable right now. Kuchukian said he and several other companies are designing sterling silver rings with diamonds and colored stones. These options have proven extremely popular.

You can also leave room for improvement. The Gem Cellar has designed rings for women that allow for additional gems or diamonds to be added at a later date.

Or, you could always opt for a ring with fewer diamonds. Murray said that all of his right-hand rings are gold, but the least expensive ones — starting at \$299 — are still "absolutely beautiful."

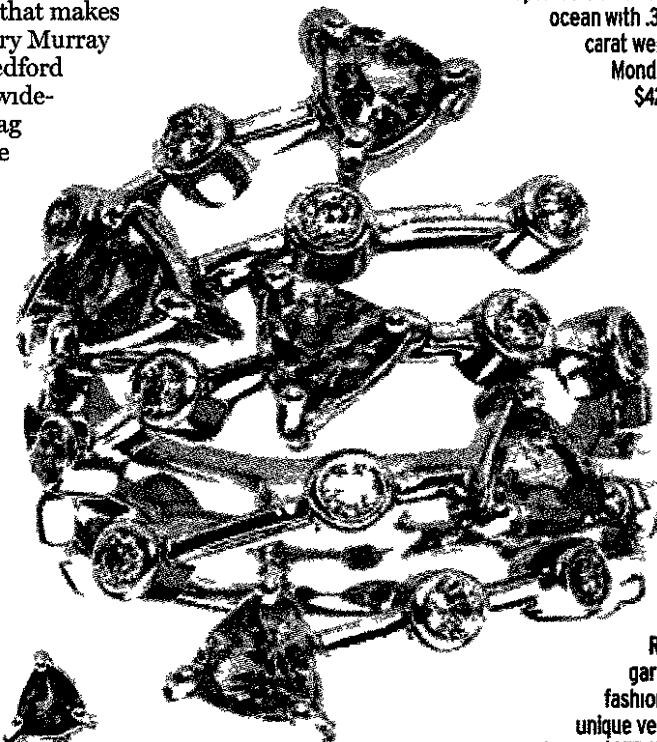
But if you'd like to spend more, why not?

"The sky's the limit," Kuchukian said.

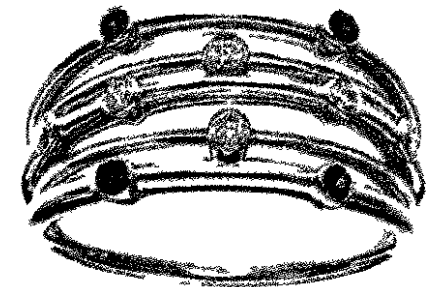
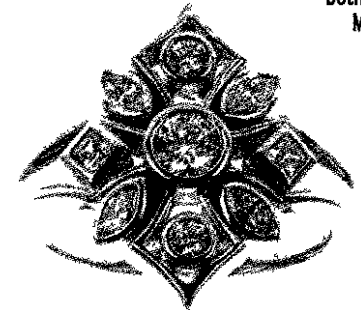
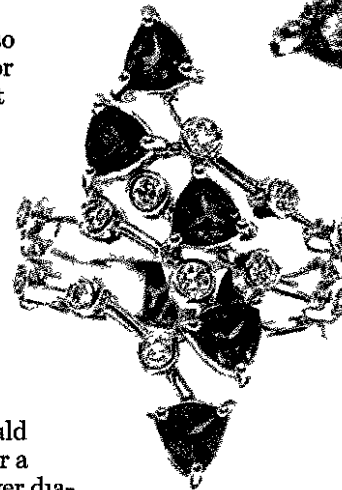
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Sheila Taormina



AGE 35
SPORT Triathlon
NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS Won the World Championship this year on the Portuguese island of Madeira. Won the Olympic Trials in triathlon in May 2000 after taking up the sport a short year prior. Swam on the gold medal relay team in the 1996 Atlanta games

Sheila Taormina swam 16 miles, biked 200 miles and ran 35 miles — per week. Yes, these were her weekly averages from January to March this year. If you guessed that Taormina was under some sort of physical punishment regimen, you would be wrong — kind of. She participates in the triathlon, a combination race of swimming, biking and running.

Not only does she participate in this race, she dominates it. Taormina recently won the World Championship Triathlon in May and is on her way to Athens, Greece for the 2004 Summer Olympics.

"Driven? Just because I've been getting up at 5 a.m. for the past 28 years, so I could jump into a cold, dark pool and breathe chlorine for the next two hours and you think I'm driven? Where do people get these sort of ideas?" Taormina joked. "Actually, I suppose I am a little driven, at least by conventional standards, but I'm not sure from whence it came. Maybe because I am a twin, and after my brother Steven beat me into the world by seven minutes, I've been trying to make up the deficit."

We think you've accomplished that, Sheila.

While Taormina currently resides in Claremont, Fla., where she is now at a

critical point in training for the Olympics, she is originally from Livonia.

"The people of metropolitan Detroit, and especially my hometown of Livonia, have been extremely supportive during my athletic career. It would be hard to imagine a better community environment," Taormina said.

Taormina's family has been a huge support to her, traveling to both the 1996 and 2000 Olympics. To help cut the costs, they sold T-shirts, which gave Taormina the idea of starting Friends for Athletes — an online company that sells shirts to benefit athletes.

Taormina's company is made up of her family: her sister Sudee designs the shirts, another sister Jill completes the orders and her brother Steven keeps up the website www.friendsforathletes.com. An athlete can sign up for the program for free, then let others know to purchase shirts online. For every \$15 shirt, \$5 is credited to the athlete's account. Taormina said that in 2000, her family sold almost 2,500 shirts themselves.

Taormina, who said her favorite movie is "Miracle" — "If you are from Detroit, you have to be a hockey fan!" — will race the triathlon in Athens on Aug. 26th.



Homegrown Olymp

By Linds

The Olympics are almost here. But you don't have to. Detroit has a countless number of women competing, the quarterback of the Detroit Demolition, in their busy lives.

"I have 10 fingers and only two have rings on them, in my opinion," said Kim Grodus, quarterback of the Detroit Demolition, before her championship on July 31st.

At press time, the Demolition was on a 30-game winning streak and gearing up for a face-off against the Oklahoma City Lightning in Louisville, KY. "Truthfully, I'd like to keep playing football as long as I'm effective, and in my opinion, as long as we

keep winning championships,"

Grodus said. PINK is excited to hear how the Demolition performed at the game, and hopes that Grodus was able to add one more ring to her collection.

Grodus, who tried out for the Demolition in 2001 after seeing a special program about the first women's football team Monday night Lions game, says her secret to success is without boundaries.

"I don't ever restrict myself with limitations possible, and if I end up falling short of some way," Grodus said.

"I am laying some groundwork for the young players. For future generations, we have no boundaries. Previously, a full contact football team for women. Grodus says that more and more Detroiters are joining the Demolition as they rack up the championships. "Detroit is a football city for sure, so people are excited. Now we're going out and starting to be recognized in the community and it's something that brings a lot of pride." "We're not only pioneers in the sport, but also role models," Grodus said.



AGE 35
SPORT Football
NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS Quarterback of the National Championship team the Detroit Demolition. MVP of the Detroit Demolition's championship game in 2003. Inducted into the United States Specialty Sports Association Hall of Fame in 2003 for softball.

Grodus definitely is a champ — even Joey, her six-year-old African gray parrot, says, "Kimmie's going to the Super Bowl," and "Touchdown!" When Grodus is not working as a saleswoman for Bareman Dairy in Revere, she focuses on another passion of hers: animals. "My friend has an animal shelter that I try to get involved with and try to help out," Grodus said.

No matter what the task, Grodus has a simple motto that enables her to succeed: "Without finishing it and finishing it successfully. I try to keep that mind."

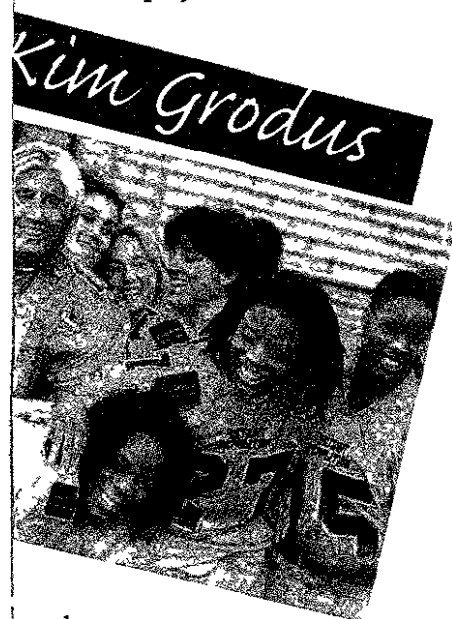


Own athletes Olympics and more

by Paterson PINK

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athletes who excel in their chosen sports Here, an Olympic triathlon
and an Olympic women's wrestling coach provide insight into

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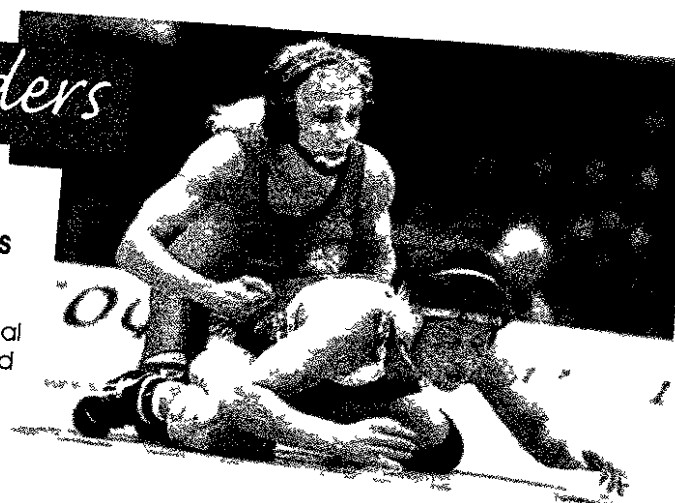
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Tricia Saunders

AGE 38
SPORT Wrestling
NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS
Four time World
Champion World Silver
Medalist 11 time National
Champion 11 time World
Team Trial Champion



Even though Tricia Saunders won't be competing in the 2004 summer Olympics — where women's wrestling has been added to the games for the first time in history — her career statistics prove that she is one woman who fought her way to the top

Saunders was born in Ann Arbor to a family of wrestlers, including her two brothers, father and grandfather She even married a wrestler, Townsend Saunders, and they now have two children

With so many wrestlers surrounding her, it's no wonder Saunders took up the sport

"I don't remember ever not going to wrestling tournaments," Saunders said "I was three or four at my first event, and little kids would maybe wrestle on the sidelines or something "

Saunders began to compete a few years later when she was eight years old and wrestled over 200 matches in the 1970s She contended against boys at both the state and national level

Saunders was the first female to win a Michigan state title and also the first woman to win a regional national championship

"My brothers were already winning the state title when I won my first state title," Saunders said

But even though Saunders said her club was very accepting of her, others were not quite so accommodating "A lot of people said I couldn't wrestle, and I said, 'Oh, I'll show them,' and I thought that I did and that would be the end of it "

That would not be the last time Saunders encountered adversity on her climb to the top When she was in seventh grade, the Ann Arbor school board said she could not participate with the team Instead, Saunders focused on gymnastics, and did not return to wrestling until after college, when she was living in Arizona

"I really loved both sports, and they both went at the same time, so ultimately a choice had to be made They just chose for me," Saunders said of the school board's decision

When she was 22, Saunders began to compete again in hopes of winning the World Championships

"Every time you win the nationals and trials, it got you to the World Championships That was always my goal Nationals were just a stepping stone, like, now you're

where you need to be, they were just the vehicle to the Worlds for me "

Four World Championship titles and 11 National titles later, Saunders works as a physician's assistant and coaches the women's Olympic team with her husband, Townsend

"It's about so much more than sports," Saunders said of the Olympics "It's about nations coming together in peace, and the fact that it's in the spotlight makes it that much bigger and more important The Olympics are when we say 'this is extra special' and it's great to see women's wrestling be a part of that It's overdue, and I'm really glad to see it happen It's an honor for all of us "

Saunders said that she had the opportunity to wrestle in the Olympics, but chose not to due to the stress and time-consuming training schedule

"People ask me if I'm sad I'm not going to the Olympics, and I don't feel that way at all," she said "I'm very honored to be a coach I try to teach the athletes I'm working with today some of my successes and failures

"I have no regrets I think I had a very successful career, of course I'd like all my medals to be gold, but I got something out of those losses, too, and you have to find a way to make it worthwhile even when you're so devastated "

NBC will televise the most Olympic wrestling coverage in history, monitoring all eight days of wrestling events Aug 22-29 Women's wrestling matches are held Aug 22-23

Saunders gives advice to future wrestlers and up-and-coming athletes in Arizona, where she now resides But she still returns to Michigan to see her family and to help Kent Bailow run clinics for the U.S. Girls Wrestling Association High School Nationals

Bailow, who will accompany the women's team to Athens, "has been instrumental making women's high school wrestling what it is today," Saunders said

Male or female, regardless of the sport, Saunders said, "When everything goes right, it's like a rush, like feeling magic for just a few seconds at a time And if it's not there, you have to work harder for it all the time "



■ Last week, PINK went to press before the announcement came out that the Detroit Shock's Ruth Riley was added to the U.S. Olympic team in Athens. Riley takes the place of the Los Angeles Sparks' DeLisha Milton-Jones, who suffered a knee injury PINK congratulates Riley for accomplishing her goal to be a participant in the Olympics, and also other women from Michigan joining Riley and Taormina in Athens.

■ Schedule of Olympic events: Olympic basketball will take place from Aug 14-28 Ruth Riley and the U.S. Olympic women's team will face New Zealand Aug 14th for their first match They will also play the Czech Republic, Korea, Spain and China before the quarterfinals, which take place Aug 25th The bronze and gold medal matches for the women will then occur on Aug 28th

For more information on the Olympic schedule and events, please go to www.athens2004.com

horoscope

By Miss Anna

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)

A trip seems to be just what you need to relax and refocus on all other aspects of the daily grind. You may even fantasize about relocating to some far away place and you might even go.

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

Joint funds are highlighted this week, and it will take some work to reach a compromise with a mate or business partner. Your gut feeling is strongly telling you that you are right, and you very well may be.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

Usually you are somewhat content on your own and independent, but there is a pervading feeling that you are missing out on something special by not being connected to someone close to you.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

The workplace is very active for you right now and hard work will result in a

number of accomplishments. There is nothing wrong with pushing to accomplish as much as possible, but don't become overstressed, it's not healthy.

LEO: (July 24- Aug. 23)

You are in the mood for love most of the time lately, and those amorous feelings may get you into trouble. People around you pick up on your feelings and find you attractive and interesting.

VIRGO: (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

Personal matters may keep you at home more than usual this week. Spending more time with your family will be beneficial to all involved. Your attitude is very relaxed and you feel less pressured by the outside world.

LIBRA: (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

Siblings, if you have any, play an important role for you this week — you are more likely to get together with them and have some great times. You are just busier in general, and that's great for your attitude.

SCORPIO: (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Cash flow may be of some concern right now, possibly because you have spent to freely in the last several months. You have a natural savvy for financial matters, so you will no doubt come out of this situa-

style scope

By k

IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY

If you celebrate your birthday this week, then get shopping girl! This is the purrfect time to take advantage of not only all the great summer stuff on sale, but to start stocking up on all the cute new fall styles hitting stores.

tion on top

SAGITTARIUS: (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21)

You feel very energized now because this is your time of the year. It's time to take more chances and do more of the things that seem important to you.

CAPRICORN: (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20)

This is a quieter time of the year than usual for you. A lot of things are on your mind and now you have the time to consider them more seriously and the impact they have on your life.

It is nearly overwhelming to think about. I mean, you are getting adorable duds at half the price to take you out of summer as the best dressed gal around AND getting first dibs on the cozy tweed jackets and plum-colored shoes that'll make you a hit come September.

So, pop into your favorite shops, check the ones you didn't think you could afford (because now you can) and go online and start surfin'.

Spend your birthday week going professional at the shops and you'll thank me come October when your best friend can't find that adorable skirt you nabbed back in August and then again in January when you are resorting somewhere — well — resorty.

AQUARIUS: (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

New goals for the future are forming in your mind presently. It's time to take account and make sense of your life as a whole, and your career. Determine where you want to put your energies in the future.

PISCES: (Feb. 20 - March 20)

This is a busy period for you at work, and you feel that your career is really important and somehow defines who you are as a person.

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Actress teaches children Shakespeare in the park

By DeAnna Belger ■ Photo by David Reed

pink profile

Seasoned actor and teacher Jules DeWard will be directing the KidShakespeare! program in Royal Oak for the third year in a row. "It's three days outdoors — it is a magical experience," DeWard said. She has been teaching theater since 1989 throughout Southeast Michigan schools, including Cranbrook Theatre School, Shrine High School in Royal Oak and Baker College. She has acted in a commercial, six different theatres in the Oakland County area, and has earned her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Michigan. DeWard loves directing.

"I get to bring beautiful things out of people that they may not know are in them. It is a great challenge. If I can find that little bright spot in someone and help bring it out — it is amazing to see," she said.

Joining PINK off the stage, DeWard explains more about KidShakespeare!

■ What is the KidShakespeare! workshop?

It is a three-day camp where theater professionals teach Elizabethan acting, dance and stage combat to youngsters ages 6-18. Ending the experience, the children will perform various pieces from Shakespeare's sonnets and plays for their parents and the community free of charge.

■ What kids would be interested in joining KidShakespeare!?

Some are kids who are just bored and need a filler camp for the summer, and some are kids really, really interested in theater. Kids who just want to try something new.

■ Who is sponsoring the event?

Water Works Theatre Company is bringing back the popular KidShakespeare! workshop for a third season as part of its annual Shakespeare in The Park in Royal Oak program. Water Works presents Twelfth Night in Ragtime through Aug. 8 in Starr Jaycee Park.

■ When and where will it be held?

The KidShakespeare! day camp is Aug. 2-4 in Royal Oak's Starr Jaycee Park.

■ What is the cost to participate?

Registration is \$60 per child and available by calling (248) 988-1359 or visiting www.shakespeareroyalok.urbandeas.com

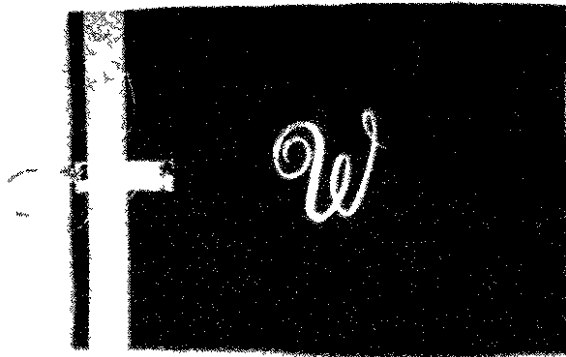


Jules DeWard offers her love of Shakespeare to children during a unique summer theatre camp.

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mannerisms

etiquette for the modern girl

By Lindsey Paterson

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tried 'n' true

By k

Two products that squeeze a beauty lab into one jar

Now, there are lots of ways to get ready for bed (I am speaking purely of beauty regimes, of course) There is the face cleanse with mini-massage, eyebrow pluck touch-up, mask, face tone, face serum, face moisturize, eye treatment, eye moisturize, lip treatment, hand and foot treatment, hair treatment, body firming treatment, body moisturize, etc

Oh shoot! It's morning!

Now, you need the entire didn't-get-any-sleep-but-need to look like-I-have' regime (not recommended on a regular basis, by the way)

Well, for the times when you don't start getting ready for bed three hours before you actually want to be asleep (it sounds silly but there are evenings when this is a really great thing to do), then try products that pack a lot of action into one jar. I recommend two night creams that leave me

looking in the a.m. like I did all the masks and layering of serums in the p.m. every time. **Lancome's Primordiale Intense Nut** (\$61) and **Chanel's Precision Rectifiance Intense Nut Anti-Age Retexturizing Night Cream** (\$68.50)

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style calendar

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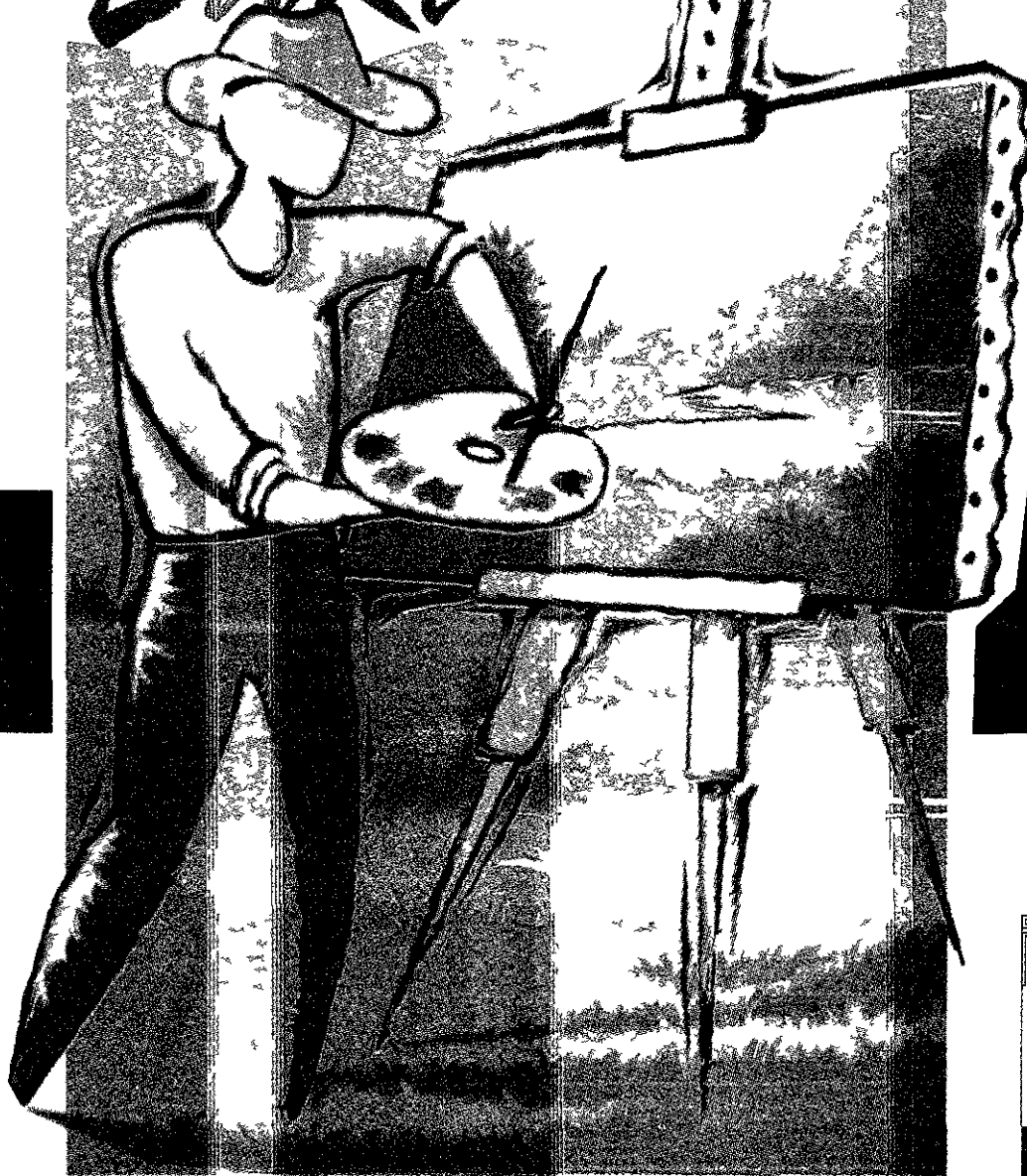
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