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Merit scholars

Twelve students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park were named National Merit Scholarship Program semifinalists

The students - Canton High School seniors Jennifer David, Walter Graf, Stephanie Leiting, Gulrez Mahmood, Jason Phelps, Clare Selden, Likun Tian and Han Zhu and Salem High School seniors Adriana Blazewski, Sarah Poon, David Xia and Suellen Yin - rank in the top 1 percent of their peers across the nation

The National Merit Scholarship Program has named approximately 16,000 academically talented high school seniors as semifinalists

Library grant

Courtesy of the Library of Michigan's Reed Act/ Gates Foundation Grant program, the Plymouth District Library is one of nearly 300 Michigan libraries that recently received funding for broadband upgrades and related costs

The Plymouth library was awarded a grant of nearly \$10,620. Recipient libraries will be able to improve Internet connectivity of public access computers and give residents quicker and more equitable access to a wealth of Web resources

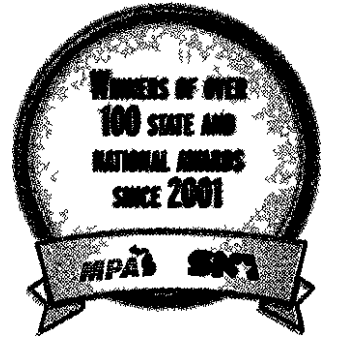
A special focus has been placed on those online services and programs geared to assist the unemployed, the underemployed and those simply seeking a career change

"Nearly one-half of all Americans do not have a computer at home," said library Director Pat Thomas. "Additionally, our staff can offer valuable support in crafting searches to find just the right resources for job opportunities and improved application skills"

The Library of Michigan's Reed Act/ Gates Foundation Grant Program used funding from the federal Reed Act and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to provide funds for 289 of the state's main and branch libraries

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Clerks hope ruling gets overturned

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Local municipal clerks are hopeful state election officials can overturn a federal court ruling that allows voters to cast ballots in precincts where they don't live

With less than two weeks before the Nov. 2 presidential election, U.S. District Judge David Lawson in Bay City ruled that voters who go to the wrong precinct can cast ballots for president or

Congress, as long as they vote in the city, township or village where they live

Lawson's ruling excludes voting for state and local offices because voters could be casting ballots for people who don't represent the districts where they live

The lawsuit was filed by the Michigan Democratic Party, which claimed people were being turned away from the polls because they showed up at the wrong precinct to vote. The state has taken the case to the U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of

Appeals in Cincinnati

"I'm not in favor of it because in essence what the judge has said is we're going to disenfranchise voters," said Terry Bennett, Canton Township clerk. "We'll allow people to vote a provisional ballot if they're in the wrong location, but it will take away their right to vote a full ballot"

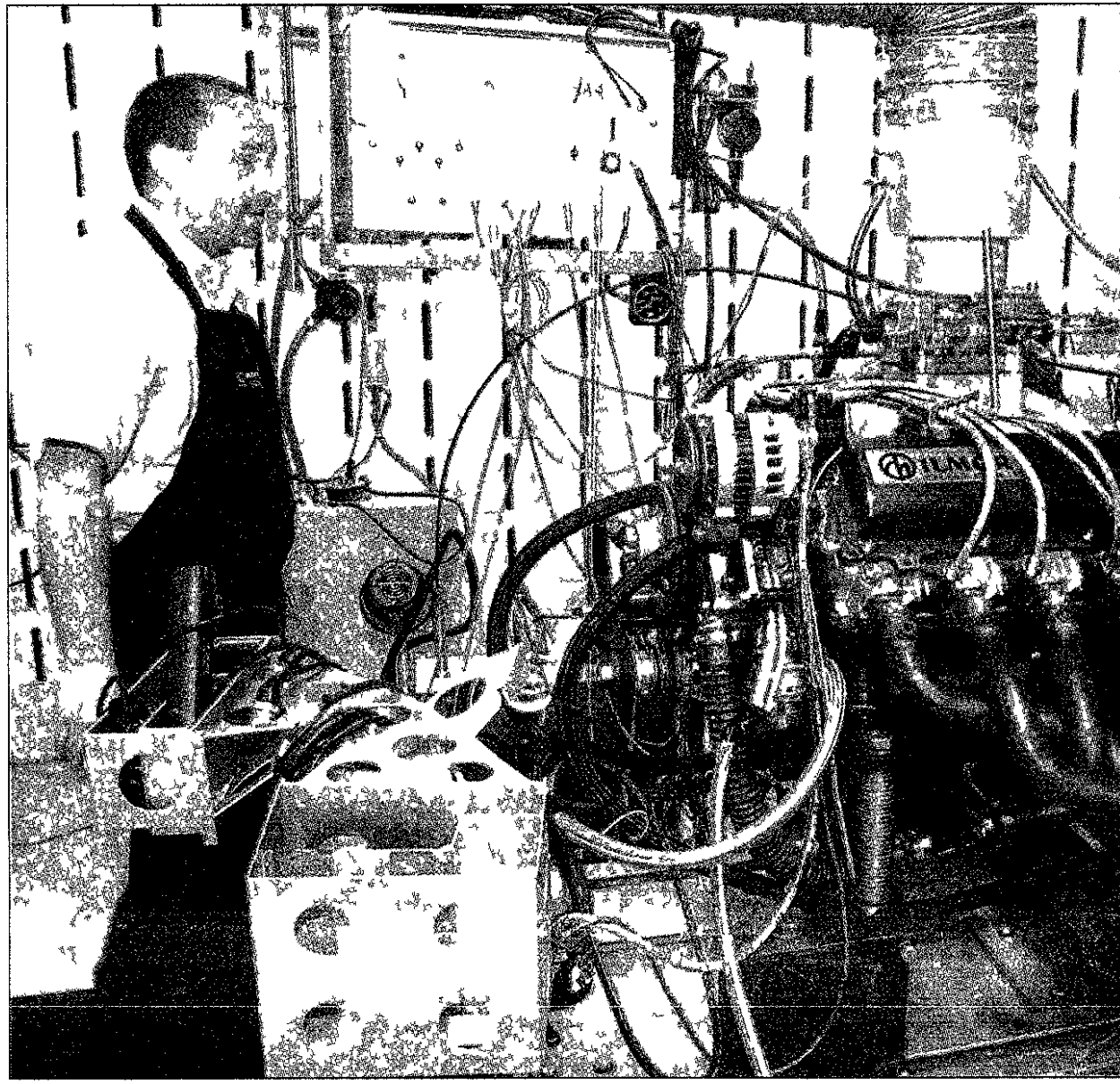
"People really need to take the time to find out where they're registered to vote, especially if they've moved," she added

I think this is going to be an unfortu-

nate mess if they don't straighten it out before election day, said Plymouth City Clerk Linda Langmesser. "I understand allowing people to exercise their right to vote and not disenfranchising anybody. But, it would make for a lot of work for poll workers, who only do this a couple of times a year. We're asking them to remember a lot of election rules"

Plymouth Township Clerk Marilyn Massengill is hopeful the courts will

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Dale Wyndendorf works in the Dyno Test Cell at Ilmor Engineering in Plymouth Township where designers built some 360 engines this year

Start those engines
Ilmor adding to racing supremacy

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

In his younger days, Paul Ray used to drive race cars and dream of hitting it big on the racing circuit

As soon as he got a look at professional drivers, however, he realized he'd be better off outside the cockpit

Ray, though, still gets to drive the industry, serving as president of Ilmore Engineering of Plymouth Township, one of the top race engine manufacturers in the world

"When I raced myself years ago, I realized I had no talent," said Ray, Ilmor's president since 1990. "If you sit next to a real driver, you quickly realize why you don't drive yourself"

Ilmor Engineering was born in the United Kingdom in 1984 with four shareholders - founders Mario Ilhen and Paul Morgan, along with

Roger Penske and General Motors, each with a 25 percent share

The idea at the time was solely to design, develop and manufacture Indy Car style racing engines. Some two years later, Ilmor entered its first 'open wheel race' in 1986 with Penske Racing

The company opened its U.S. arm - Ilmor Engineering Inc. - in Michigan in 1990 in the Detroit Diesel building. As the business grew, though, it became clear the company needed bigger digs - and they found them in Plymouth Township

WHERE TO GROW

"We needed to expand the business," said Ray, who came over from one of Ilmor's biggest U.K. competitors. "It became quite apparent we needed more space"



Ilmor Engineering president Paul Ray has been with the company since jumping from a competitor in 1990

PLEASE SEE ILMOR, A5

District hosts summit on partnerships

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton Township have at least one thing in common. They're all a part of the Plymouth-Canton school district

And, because of that, P-CCS Superintendent Jim Ryan said the district might be the right entity to help forge alliances that could save each entity much-needed cash

"We're the one thing they have in common," said Ryan. "I've always wondered if we could be the catalyst to have some kind of partnerships"

Ryan just may get his chance as Plymouth-Canton Schools has decided to be a co-host of an area-wide summit to find partners that could result in saving money for goods and services

Earlier this month, Plymouth city commissioners decided to hold a summit to find potential partners to help save money at a time when the city is projecting deficit budgets while state-shared revenues are being reduced and expenses are going up. The summit takes place 4-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17, at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park

"With the schools taking mid-year funding cuts, and the cities and townships taking budget cuts, I don't think you can stand alone anymore," said Ryan. "What are the potential partnerships that could possibly be in our future?"

The city currently pays to use the school district's fuel depot at the bus yard, and the school district buys road salt in conjunction with the city's favorable bulk-buy contract

"We can no longer afford to do all of it ourselves," said City Manager Paul Sincok. "It doesn't matter what entity you are, you have to partner with other folks to hold down overhead. It's nothing new to the private sector, but relatively new to the government sector"

Among those expected to have representatives at the summit are the City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth-Canton Schools, Northville Schools, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments and Gov. Jennifer Granholm's office

"From very early on, the governor has been very supportive of regional collaboration," said Maxine Berman, director of special projects for Granholm. "In her state of the state address, she called on communities to work together regionally, to form better alliances, because of the financial crunch and to ensure that our communities continue to get the services - whether it's something as small as volume purchasing, or the larger issues of police, fire and dispatch"

Berman said the issue of collaboration goes even deeper, to include urban sprawl

"It's about land use," she said. "The stronger our cities are, and the better the services are, the less likely people will want to move farther out. Regional collaboration is a function of land use and a function of

PLEASE SEE PARTNERSHIPS, A4

MEAP scores above national averages

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton high school juniors continue to do better than their statewide counterparts in the latest MEAP test results

Scores in reading and social studies jumped significantly, while those in math, science and writing remained consistent

The number of students who exceeded state standards in reading went from 72 percent to 89 percent. That compares to a statewide average of 76 percent

"We've placed a strong emphasis

on K-12 reading," said Mike Bender, director of secondary education. "I do believe we're reaping the benefits of that work"

Social studies jumped from 35 percent to 48 percent, and Bender believes with the recent \$807,000 American history grant scores will continue to improve

"We expect the scores to go up in the future as the grant influences work being done at both the middle and high school levels," he said

The statewide average in social studies was 35 percent

The latest figures indicate math scores dropped 3 percentage points

to 76 percent, but still above the statewide average of 59 percent

Science scores were up 2 percentage points from last year, reaching 80 percent. That was well above the statewide score of 64 percent

And, writing scores at 76 percent were consistent with last year's 77 percent and much better than the statewide average of 58 percent

Students who finish in the top two levels of the MEAP tests in math, science, reading and writing are eligible for a state merit scholarship

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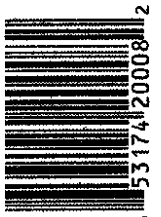
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MDOT green-lights traffic study

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Help may be on the way for township drivers frustrated by traffic problems along Ann Arbor Road.

Officials from the Michigan Department of Transportation said this week they will ask staffers in their Taylor office to conduct a traffic study along the corridor to determine whether a new traffic signal is needed at the intersection of McClumpha and Ann Arbor Road.

That intersection is frequently the site of minor acci-

dents, a track record that has local government officials worried about the potential of a major tragedy there.

Greg Johnson, metro region engineer for MDOT, said Wednesday the traffic study could come in the next six months. Results of the last traffic study on the area, done in 1999, showed no need for a signal, according to Johnson.

A signal was not warranted at that time, Johnson said. "We looked at other ways of mitigating the accidents there."

Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann said

he'd also like to see MDOT come through with promises they made when Ann Arbor Road was resurfaced several years ago.

Mann said MDOT promised three things: Speed reductions through the stretch of Ann Arbor Road that includes McClumpha and Canton Center, turn-lane changes at both McClumpha and Canton Center, and a flashing light at Ridge.

To date, only the turn-lane changes have been accomplished.

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They call it puppy love

German shepherd leads way in training program

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's first registered leader dog in training has turned the city of Plymouth into her classroom - and her foster parent says she's winning everyone over with her good looks and brains.

Vista, a seven-month-old German shepherd, is being trained by foster parent Jack Wilson of Plymouth as part of Leader Dogs for the Blind's puppy training program. She was so named because the Spanish word *vista* means exactly what she will help a visually impaired person with seeing.

This isn't the first time Wilson has stepped up to help a charitable organization. He helps the Salvation Army as a bell ringer and helps other local charities throughout the year. In 2002, he Wilson also gave a boost to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society by running in an Alaska marathon where he helped raise money for the organization.

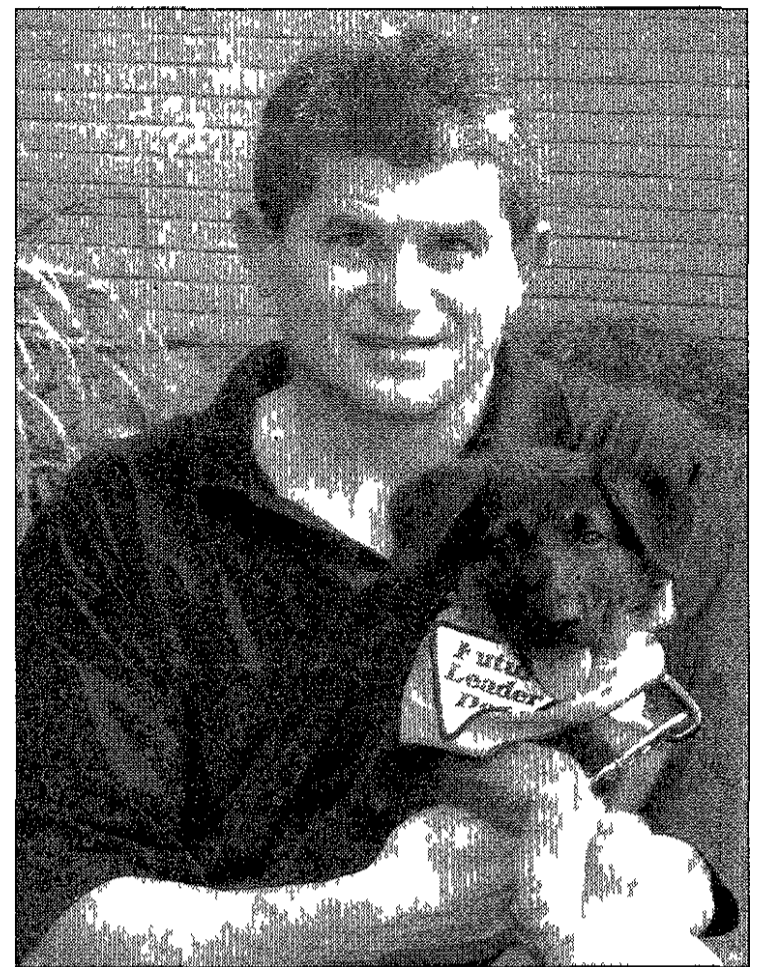
Getting involved with Rochester-based Leader Dogs for the Blind was about as easy as getting a hungry puppy to eat.

I was looking for a new volunteer project when I met Lisa Jesswein (WDVD 96.3 DJ) - she couldn't stop talking about Leader Dogs, Wilson said.

After that, all the leash tugging (which isn't allowed when training Leader Dogs) in the world couldn't stop Wilson from learning more. Through the organization's fostering program, foster parents help train and socialize the dogs by bringing them into public places and having the dogs interact with people.

You basically try and take them out to as many places as you can, Wilson said of the training.

Vista has visited most businesses around Plymouth and Wilson said though business



Jack Wilson of Plymouth is training Vista, a seven-month-old German shepherd, as part of Leader Dogs for the Blind's puppy training program.

owners are not required to admit guide dogs in training, most of them are happy to see her.

Though Vista's well-behaved for seven months old, she's had her moments, Wilson said.

We took her to see the Plymouth Symphony at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Wilson said. She got a little restless toward the end and we went into the crying room, he added, referring to the room parents use to calm crying babies.

Wilson has enlisted some helpers with Vista's training. Team Vista includes three neighborhood boys who let Vista out of her crate after school and help look after her while Wilson travels on busi-

ness. The helpers are Tyler, Scott and John Deal.

Nearly 78 percent of dogs working with foster parents wind up becoming official Leader Dogs, said Erin Dunn, public relations manager for Leader Dogs for the Blind, which is in its 65th year.

Those who don't become guide dogs undergo a 'career change' and are either adopted, used by other charitable organizations or in some cases, stay with their original foster parent.

"(Foster parents) are an invaluable part of our volunteer corps," Dunn said. The training really does give (the dogs) a wonderful stepping stone.



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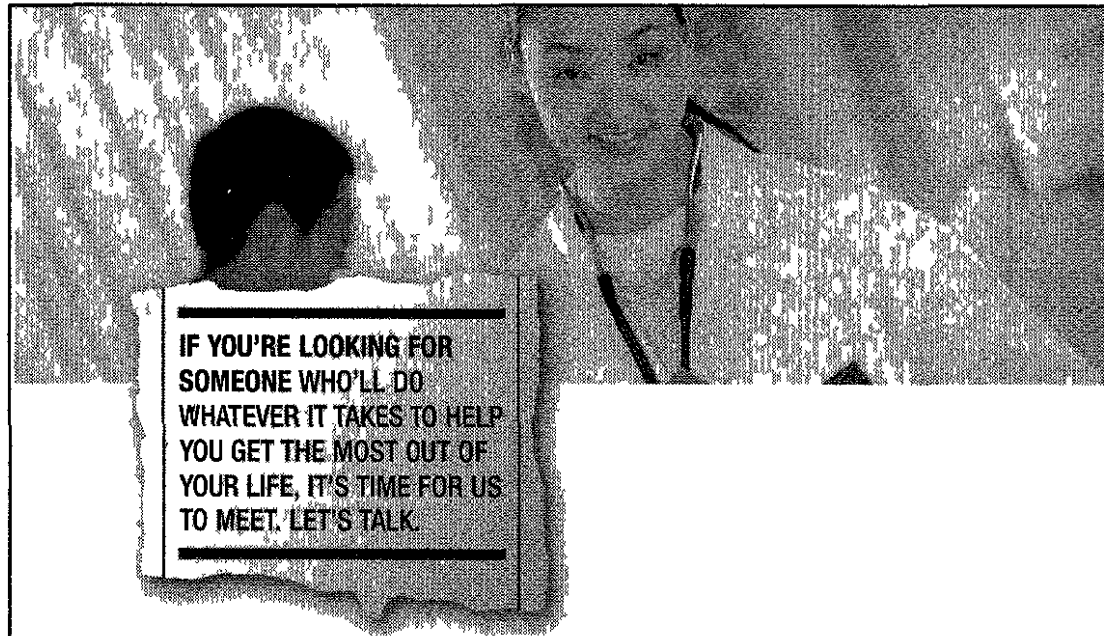
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PARTNERSHIPS

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 effective budgeting”
 Ryan, thinking aloud about possibilities, said he'd like to see more recreational opportunities for the area built on collaboration.
 “We could renovate the pool and gym at Central Middle School and our kids could use it during the day, but a partnership with the city could allow them to operate it through the recreation department,” said Ryan. “We

have a need for a third swimming pool. Does Canton have the need for a pool, other than the one at the Summit? Plymouth Township might be interested in Miller Woods, owned by the district, for a recreation area.
 (Canton Township Supervisor) Tom Yack, Paul Sincock and (Plymouth Township Supervisor) Steve Mann do a great job of providing services to their communities,” said Ryan. “The quality of life is good, and we want to be a part of that.”

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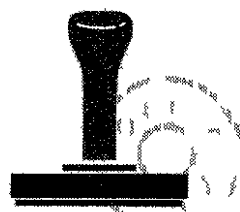
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FOR THE RECORD



DEATHS

A
 Dorothy Adams, 88, of Westland, died Oct 19

B
 William M. Bristol, 87, of Plymouth, died Oct 17
 Jean E. Brooks, 69, died Oct 16
 Edward W. Busch, died Oct 15

C
 Ruth L. Christensen, 89, of Plymouth, died Oct 20

H
 Esther Louise Blake Hulsing, 89, died Oct 2

K
 Veronica M. Kovacs, 86, died Oct 20

L
 Lynne K. Lonigro, 57, of Canton, died Oct 16
 Raymond Lucas, died Oct 17

M
 Margaret E. Maxon (nee Horman), 85, of Rochester Hills, died Oct 20

N
 JoAnn Newton, 65, of Birmingham and Beverly Hills, died Oct 14
 William J. Norman, 83, of Scottsdale, Ariz., died Oct 17

P
 Peggy S. Pearce, of Birmingham, died
 Maxwell (Mickey) Power, 93, of Detroit, died Oct 13

S
 Douglas Sweder, 85, of Plymouth, formerly of Livonia, died Oct 19
 Irene Mary Szczepaniak of Bloomfield, died Oct 16

T
 Robert (Bobby) A. Tremain Jr., 20, of Bloomfield Hills, died Oct 8

V
 Paul D. Vogan, 52, of Plymouth, died Oct 17

W
 Fred E. Welton, 56, of Redford, died Oct 18

Z
 Bernice M. Zaccardell (nee Muske) of Downers Grove, Ill., died Oct 17

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power tools missing from the bed of his 1989 Chevy pickup which had been parked at the building's north-west entrance. Among the stolen tools: drills, a 'sawzall' and a grinder.

Window smashed

A woman on Normandy told police someone shattered the rear window on her husband's Ford Escape. She saw the SUV undamaged around 7:30 p.m. Oct 20, and around 6:45 the next morning she discovered the window smashed.

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period Oct 13-19:

■ Tuesday, Oct 19 – Commercial rescue run on Main, vehicle accidents at Ann Arbor Road and the railroad tracks and on Haggerty north of Joy residential rescue runs on Junction on LeBlanc, on Haggerty, on F Drive, on Wilcox, on Parkview and on Red Maple, rescue run on Haggerty.

■ Monday, Oct 18 – Special run on I-275 at Ann Arbor Trail residential rescue runs on Haggerty on Sheridan on Cooke on Sunset on Jener on Sutherland and on Marlowe commercial rescue run on Main vehicle accidents on southbound I-275 near M-14 and on Ann Arbor Road at General Drive, rescue run to a public building/school on Ann Arbor Road.

■ Sunday, Oct 17 – Residential rescue runs on Newporte and on

Northville Road, commercial rescue runs on Plymouth Road, on General and on Mill, vehicle accident on the ramp from westbound M-14 to Beck.

■ Saturday, Oct 16 – Open burning on Farmbrook, residential rescue runs on Northville Road on Newporte, on Weston, on Parkview, on Risman, on Junction and on Plymouth Hollow, rescue run to a public building/school on Plymouth Road.

■ Friday, Oct 15 – Vehicle accidents on westbound M-14 west of Sheldon and on the ramp from southbound I-275 to westbound M-14, residential rescue runs on Mill and on Northville Road, investigation on Mill smoke investigation on Forest.

■ Thursday, Oct 14 – Commercial rescue runs on Port and on Mill, rescue run to a public building/school on Ann Arbor Road, residential rescue runs on Lilley and on Main, smoke investigation on Sheldon.

■ Wednesday, Oct 13 – Residential rescue runs on Northville Road and on Portiff, commercial rescue run on Haggerty, smoke investigation on southbound I 275 over I-96, vehicle accident on westbound M-14 west of Sheldon.

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ELECTION

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overturn the ruling. Otherwise, she predicts havoc on the polls on election day. "I hope it gets overturned, it's confusing to everybody," said Massengill. "Voters have to take some responsibility to get registered in time and knowing where to vote." Massengill said she didn't have any provisional ballots in the August primary, generally used by voters who claim they registered to vote but aren't on

the voter list. The clerk's office has six days after an election to determine if the voter is registered in the municipality. Massengill said the ruling has already confused some voters. "We've already received some calls from people asking if they have to vote in their proper precinct," she said. For Langmesser, the situation is a bit easier as three of the city's four precincts are located at the Plymouth Cultural Center. "We'll have two computer terminals at the Cultural Center, and if someone has a question of whether they regis-

tered to vote or are in the right precinct, we'll be able to answer that before they get in line to vote," she said. "At the Central Middle School precinct, poll workers will have a complete listing of voters and will be able to check." Voters can find out if they're registered to vote and where they should cast ballots by calling the clerk's office in the municipality they live. The same information is online at www.mi.gov, and click on the Secretary of State icon

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ILMOR

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We couldn't find any suitable (existing) buildings, so we decided to build." After looking at several options, the company settled on Plymouth Township, and in 1998 moved into its new center in the Plymouth Oaks park. Plymouth appealed to the owners because of similarities between this community and the quaint village in which it resides in the U.K. "We wanted it to be someplace nice, just as the village in the U.K. is nice," said Ray. "And the township has been very good to us from the minute we showed up." Ilmor engines carried the Chevrolet nameplate from 1986 to 1993, winning 86 Indy Car races, five Indy Car drivers' championships and half-a-dozen Indy 500's. In 1994, Mercedes-Benz purchased GM's common stock, and the Mercedes-Benz name appeared on through 2000. During that span, Ilmor won another 30 races against significantly stiffer competition, including another Indy 500 win in 1994.

Even with the Indy Car success, Ilmor executives wanted to broaden the company's horizons into Busch series NASCAR engines. Unfortunately, the opportunity never presented itself. "Until this year, when an opportunity with racing's Mike Wallace came along, Ilmor jumped at it. It's the biggest motor sport in America, but the timing was

never right," Ray said. "This year we had an opportunity. We'd like to expand our NASCAR program in the Busch series, then get into the Nextel Cup." **EXPERIENCE MATTERS** They've certainly got the bona fides, with some 362 engine rebuilds, each taking some 100 hours, this year alone, in addition to a lot of service work. Ilmor uses state-of-the-art technology, creating computer models from which the actual engines are built. Two years ago, Ilmor got a new partner when Honda approached the firm to form an alliance to manufacture the Honda engine. That agreement runs through 2006.

After the governing bodies running the Indy Car series split, Ilmor didn't race at the Indy 500 from 1996-99. After Mercedes decided to end its Indy Car participation at the end of 2000, Ilmor didn't manufacture its own engine for the next two years. Ilmor is now designing, developing and manufacturing the highly successful Honda IRL engine. Due to the firm's late start with Honda, Ilmor won just two races in 2003. However, 2004 was a better year, with Ilmor/Honda-powered engines winning 14 of the first 15 races. That's a lot of success, and Ray said it's because of the partnerships the company has been able to forge. "We've been very fortunate to work with great manufacturers," Ray said. "We've always been left alone to do our own work, absent of any bureaucra-

cy. As a result, these guys have been able to get on with what they do best. We don't race cars, we build good race engines." It also takes a staff of employees dedicated to the craft and, perhaps just as importantly, the industry. According to Ilmor vice president Julie Bernard, everyone at Ilmor is a racing nut. "Everyone associated with the company has a passion for the sport," Bernard said. They wouldn't put the dedication in otherwise. You have to have that. There's a saying in racing, "The green flag doesn't wait for anyone," she added. "You have to be ready."

EXPANDING THE FIELD Ilmor has also expanded into boat racing, manufacturing hydroplane engines for Chrysler. In the first year, Ilmor sold some 50 boat engines. The company anticipates doubling that total in the second year. "We're in the business of high-performance engines, so it was a natural fit for us," Ray said. "It's a very good industry for engines." The marine division and the Indy Car engines are still a stronghold for Ilmor, but as the company eyes the future, Ray sees it in NASCAR. "NASCAR is where we want to grow the business," he said. "It's hard to imagine being more successful when you win all but one race. I guess you could win all the races. All you can do is hope to continue that success."

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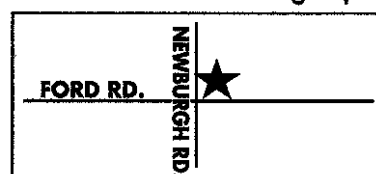
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Choirs take to different stage

LAUREL THOMAS GNAGEY
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The sounds of students singing and the smell of coffee will fill the Salem cafeteria this week for the annual fall performances of the PCEP choirs. Instead of one night for all five choirs to share the stage with the orchestra, as in the past, the groups this year will enter during four coffeehouse style concerts.

The Oct. 26-29 events that will feature songs about love are teacher Jennifer Kopp's idea for showcasing a number of individuals and small groups in addition to the choirs.

"There is so much talent in all the choirs," Kopp says. This format gives the students a chance to demonstrate their talents.

In addition to mass num-

bers by the choirs, students have auditioned to perform solos, duets and various other combinations. The only other time they have this kind of opportunity is during the spring Singason concert when some 80 students audition for about 25 slots in the program.

Kopp says the nice thing about the four different concerts is that the choirs each have their own night to perform, with the exception of the top boys and girls singing groups, the Chamber and Madrigal choirs, whose members will perform together as they often do throughout the community and during school performances.

The students are very excited about it because they are competing with students in their own choirs. This way they all are on equal footing, audi-

tioning against students with essentially the same level of experience," she says.

The concerts will take place in the Salem cafeteria beginning at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$4 per person or \$8 per family, which includes coffee and dessert. The coffeehouse schedule is as follows:

■ Tuesday, October 26 - Madrigal Singers/Chamber Choir

■ Wednesday, October 27 - Dulcissima

■ Thursday, October 28 - Allegro

■ Friday, October 29 - Park Singers

Kopp says proceeds from the concerts will help pay for such things as music and transportation to competitions and music festivals.

Theater 'nice community space'

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Becky Copenhaver of Canton is excited about being an usher at the new Village Theater at Cherry Hill and Ridge.

It's absolutely gorgeous, she said while standing in the lobby. The acoustics are wonderful. It sounds like the music is coming from all around you.

Gerry Dugan of Canton also signed up for ushering. "It's terrific and it's warm and it's friendly," she said of the 400-seat facility.

The women were among members of the Plymouth-Canton Branch, American Association of University Women, who toured the theater Thursday. The tour was led by Jennifer Tobin, Canton arts coordinator and former director of the Plymouth Community Arts Council.

"Jennifer is just so appreciative of us as volunteers," Dugan said.

The theater also has eight wheelchair spaces, Tobin said, and seating can be expanded through use of orchestra space.

This weekend, performances of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* by the Spotlight Players were wrapping up, and "selling out big time."

Thursday evening AAUW members and guests watched a bit of rehearsal by 9½ East, an improv troupe performing later that evening. A Community Band and children's theater rehearsals were also under way.

The tour gave participants a chance to admire the lobby mural as well as artwork on display. Tobin took participants through all theater areas, including backstage.

Everybody wants the ultimate space, the stage. The goal is to get performers on the stage the week before performance to rehearse, Tobin said, adding the nearby Cherry Hill School is used, too.

Construction started in May 2003 on the \$11.5 million project, with \$4 million coming from Canton Township and the rest raised by the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities.

"It's a nice community space," Tobin said.

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QSAC has defined "essential services" - the basics of all library service - as relatively low-cost

standards that every library can and should achieve.

"Two years in the making, QSAC represents the work of more than 100 library directors, trustees and staff members who together created measures of quality for our state's public libraries," said Christie Pearson Brandau, State Librarian. "The staff, trustees and Friends in Plymouth should be commended for achieving a vital milestone in library service."

Recent program achievements at the Plymouth District Library include service and collection expansion for the sight-impaired, national designation as a Project Vote Smart library and a successful cooperative library card promotion with the Canton Public Library.

For more information about the Quality Services Audit Checklist, visit <http://www.michigan.gov/qsac>

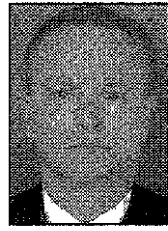
Jury quick to convict Hill of embezzlement

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Harry Hill Jr., former president of the Canton Community Junior Baseball/Softball Association, was convicted Thursday in Wayne County's Third Circuit Court of embezzling funds in excess of \$20,000, a 10-year felony.

It was the second trial for Hill, who was arrested in February of this year and accused of embezzling about \$169,000 from the league.

The three-month long investigation began in November 2003 when Canton police received a tip that Hill might have been taking money from



Hill

the group, which had about 3,700 participants in summer and fall leagues last year. He was accused of writing checks to himself out of association funds and using the money for gambling. In a circuit court trial in September, representatives of Greektown Casino and Casino Windsor testified that records showed that Hill had lost money at their casinos in 2003.

At a 35th District Court hearing in Plymouth in March,

in which Hill waived his right to a preliminary examination, Judge John MacDonald ordered Hill to resign from the league's board.

In September a four-day trial in Circuit Court ended in a hung jury. After four days of testimony and four days of deliberation, the five-man, seven-woman jury deadlocked and Judge Brian Sullivan declared a mistrial.

They failed to reach a verdict, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Doug Baker said at that time. "We were disappointed that that didn't happen. From time to time we get that result so we just have to redo it."

Hill's attorney at the time,

Paul J. Dillon, argued that his client was innocent of the charges, saying that they struggled with some procedural problems relating to reimbursements from the league coffers to Hill.

After last week's three-day trial, the jury deliberated less than an hour before coming back with a guilty verdict.

Hill was represented by a court-appointed attorney at that trial. Neither he nor Baker could be reached for comment Friday afternoon.

A sentencing hearing is set for Nov. 23 before Sullivan at the circuit court.

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St. Damian students pledge to keep their school safe

Students at St. Damian School signed the dotted line Monday to respect others and their school as part of the statewide Safe Schools initiative.

Kim Rourke, fourth-grade teacher and coordinator of the Safe and Drug Free Program, said it's about the students taking the golden rule seriously

The first line (of the pledge) is that we want the school to be a place that is safe and where we treat others with respect," she said. They pledge to respect others and respect school property."

Moreover, they promise not to bully, tease or hurt other people or allow things to come into the school that could hurt

other people and to tell a parent or school official when they see activities like that going on.

The Catholic school teaches children from pre-kindergarten through eighth-grade. Seventh- and eighth-graders, naturally, take a pledge that's a little more involved and specific with wording about weapons


and physical violence.

The school acknowledges that teasing and bullying is the nature of the beast when dealing with adolescent and preadolescent children, but the point is not to succumb to nature.

"The challenge for the students is to make the right choices," Rourke said.

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Court's ruling leaves state open to election disaster

This was supposed to be a good news column about voting in Michigan, and there is indeed something to be proud and happy about. The state has been widely praised for having perhaps the cleanest, best and most reliable election system in the nation.

Two-thirds of the state's voters now cast their ballots via the optical scan system, although punch cards, the old lever machines and even paper ballots are used in a few places. The state's 'Qualified Voter File' system of registration was singled out for praise by former Presidents Jimmy Carter's and Gerald Ford's National Commission on Election Reform, which looked at how to improve the way America votes in the aftermath of the Florida

mess four years ago. Yet now a last-minute lawsuit and a court ruling have thrown what amounts to an enormous hanging chad into the process. Suddenly, on the brink of what is expected to be a very close national election, a federal judge has ruled that in Michigan, you can show up at the wrong polling place - but if you are in the right city or township, the authorities still have to count your votes for president and Congress.

Your address and registration need to be verified first, of course, and all that may mean we'll need to wait six days before we know who won the state. Chris Thomas, Michigan bureau of elections director since 1981, is an understated, non-partisan political scientist with a law degree. And he is simply horrified. "Concerns about voter security and possible fraud are going to be much higher, unless we get a speedy court ruling to resolve all of this," he said late last week. What happened is this:

Michigan Democrats and the NAACP last month sued Thomas and his boss, Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land, after Thomas told the state's local election clerks that Michigan didn't have any law allowing them to count any so-called 'provisional' ballots.

That's not because we don't want them to vote," said Kelly Chesney, the spokesman for the secretary of state. "We want their votes for all offices to count, and we want to make every effort to send them to the right precinct."

But Democrats, who want the highest possible turnout for the presidential election, argued that not counting provisional ballots would violate federal law and take the right to vote away from thousands who wander into the wrong polling place.

And to state election officials' surprise, U.S. District Judge David Lawson agreed with them Tuesday, he ordered the state to collect and count such votes, though only for federal offices and only if the voter turns out to actually live in the same city, village or township. The public interest is served when citizens can look with confidence at an elections process that insures that all votes cast by qualified voters are counted," said the judge, a Clinton appointee.

Immediately, the state filed an emergency motion with the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, saying, frankly, that messing with the system at the last minute would create a mess that would "harm the fundamental rights of individuals to vote and participate in an orderly and fair election."

What finally will happen is unclear, but what is clear is that Michigan is no Florida, but instead has in place a rational system that is easy to use and easy to understand. That's partly because Michigan had its Florida experience long ago.

That came in 1952, when the state had a cliff-hanger of a race for governor between the incumbent, G. Mennen Soapy Williams, and his GOP chal-

lenger, Harry Kelly. Unofficial returns indicated Kelly had won but the final numbers said Williams - and the result was recount after recount.

Soapy Williams won in the end, and Michigan started reforming their election laws as a result, Thomas said. Back then, the dogfight was over "incomplete Xs made on paper ballots, rather than hanging chads."

State lawmakers decided the standard should be whether the voter's ballot accords with the rules rather than one in which officials tried to decipher what the "voter intent" might have been. That has worked so well that election workers from other states often come to study Michigan's model.

The only major problem Michigan has had since occurred in 1970, when Detroit tried a punch card system that was not ready for prime time and the state waited three days to learn who was governor.

Now, something potentially worse is at hand. There is not enough time to put controls in place against potential fraud there is not enough time to train officials on how to process and tabulate the partial ballots," the secretary of state's emergency appeal fairly moaned.

How the courts will finally decide is anyone's guess. But it is hard to see why learning where you are supposed to vote is an undue hardship, or why we would want to encourage such ill-informed voters to cast impulsive votes for president and ignore the rest of the ticket.

This much is clear, however. If on Nov. 3, the nation has to wait days to know who the next president is while thousands of provisional voters in Ohio and Michigan are examined, nobody will make "Florida-duh" jokes ever again.

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Jack Lessenberry

Protecting all of God's creation is a Christian responsibility

Catholics believe that God created all forms of life as an expression of love. In God's wisdom, the world is made from four elements: water, air, fire and soil (land). How are those four elements faring in the beginning of the 21st century?

Sewer overflows and runoff from farms and city streets

threaten the life-sustaining properties of our waters, endanger human health and wildlife, and result in thousands of beach closings each year.

Mercury is discharged from dirty coal-burning power plants deposited on land and waters, and stored in the bodies of fish. One in six women in the United States have mercury levels in their bodies high enough to harm a fetus.

Fine particles in the air such as soot and acid droplets along with four chemicals (sulfur dioxide, nitrous oxide, mercury and carbon dioxide) have polluted the air. Childhood asthma and other diseases such as cancer, birth defects, and brain and nerve damage have been linked to air pollution from automobiles and power plants. The highest asthma-related hospitalization rates in Michigan are in Wayne, Saginaw, and Genesee counties.

Since humans first discovered fire, we have devised ever bigger and better ways to generate energy. Burning of fossil fuels in the last 150 years has resulted in carbon dioxide pollution, where Earth's protective blanket is keeping us too warm. The Union of Concerned Scientists project that the average summer temperature in Michigan will rise 10 degrees by the end of the 21st century if we continue emitting carbon dioxide at current rates. Species of

animals and plants that have evolved over millions of years cannot adapt to the abrupt changes in climate and weather that global warming brings.

In South America, dense rain forests referred to as the 'lungs of the Earth' for their carbon dioxide absorbing capacities, are being cut down to pasture cattle for beef-hungry Americans. Michigan's fertile farmland and beautiful open spaces are lost at the rate of five acres every hour. At the same time, public monies to fund the infrastructure of sprawl (sewage, roads, utilities) were diverted from Michigan's older cities in need of repair.

In light of these sobering facts about the condition of God's Creation, what can Catholic Social Teaching tell us about our role and responsibility?

In Sacred Scripture we find the foundations for our relationships with God, other humans, and the rest of Creation. There was as yet no wild bush on the Earth nor had any wild plant yet sprung up, for God had sent no rain upon the Earth nor was there any man to till the soil" (Gen 2:5). The word till in Hebrew comes from the same root as serve or preserve."

St. Thomas Aquinas, a theologian of the Middle Ages tells us that no one creature, not even the human, can adequately express God. The entire creation is needed. Some have gone so far as to say that the extinction of a species is tantamount to tearing a page from Scripture.

For the last 15 years, Pope John Paul II and American Catholic bishops have been addressing the ecological crisis. In 1990, Pope John Paul II in 'The Ecological Crisis: A Common Responsibility' says there is an order that must be respected, and the human person endowed with the capability of choosing freely has a grave responsibility to preserve this order for the well-being of future

generations. I wish to repeat that the ecological crisis is a moral issue.

Translating a theology of ecology into effective public policy is difficult and necessary. In 'Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility', the U.S. bishops in 2003 said "Our stewardship of the Earth is a form of participation in God's act of creating and sustaining the world. In our use of creation, we must be guided by our concern for generations to come. We show our respect for the Creator by our care for creation."

Since by its very nature everything in creation is connected to everything else, protecting creation must be coordinated both nationally and internationally. Global warming affects the entire planet, and the U.S. has unfortunately not been instrumental in international discussions to remedy this problem.

Despite the fact that the U.S., as 4 percent of the world's population, emits 25 percent of the carbon dioxide that causes global warming, we were unable to pass the McCain-Lieberman bill in the U.S. Senate to curb our own emissions. Higher automobile fuel efficiency standards and the development of alternative sources of energy around the world will slow down global warming.

As creatures sharing Creation with other creatures, as followers of Jesus Christ, and as citizens of a democracy, what are we to do? Reverencing what God creates, reading the signs of the times and studying the teachings of the church prepare us to step out into the political arena as informed voters and activists. We will work to protect all that lives, for ALL LIFE has been given to us as an expression of God's love for us.

Patricia Gillis is coordinator of the Michigan Interfaith Climate and Energy Campaign.



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Live donor best chance for kidney patient

With her kidneys failing and the prospect of dialysis to cleanse her blood looming, Thea Cohen is seeking a kidney.

A new, live kidney would give her a better chance of living a normal life, Cohen said, than would a cadaver kidney. And, nationwide, there are 80,000 people on a waiting list for a cadaver kidney, she said. "I must be eighty thousand and one," Cohen said.

Potential donors should be between the ages of 18 and 55 or so, have a blood type of A or O, and be healthy enough to undergo the operation. They also need to have blood antigens that are compatible with Cohen's blood antigens.

Cohen said the surgery, for the donor is less invasive than it used to be. It requires four surgical punctures and a 2-inch incision, she said. Barring complications, the

donor can go home the next day, she said.

A donor's remaining kidney enlarges to take over the function of the missing one, Cohen said.

Her surgeon at St. John Hospital in Detroit, she said, specializes in kidney transplants. A recipient can make a full recovery in about six months, she said.

Cohen has had five potential donors, but three backed away from donating and two proved incompatible, she said. A sixth person — a 25-year-old former student — is now being tested. But the time it takes Cohen to find potential donors and get them screened and tested has her concerned.

Friends or former students who are interested in contacting Cohen about kidney donation can reach her through the *Observer* at (734) 953-2115.

Just-retired teacher now facing kidney failure

BY MATT JACHMAN
STAFF WRITER

After a career of more than 30 years at Redford Union High School, where she taught French and Spanish and maintained passion for the job year in and year out, Thea Cohen was looking forward to retirement last spring.

But weeks before the end of the school year, Cohen was diagnosed with kidney failure. Retirement plans took a back seat to her health.

"It was devastating to me when I first found out," said Cohen, of Southfield, during a visit to the high school on Monday. She didn't tell anyone at RU, even people with whom she had worked for decades, about her condition. "I didn't want to make people sad," she said.

Now, Cohen is sharing her story in hopes of finding someone to donate a kidney and help her get her health, and her life with husband Allen,

back on track.

"It would have to be, obviously, a gift of love," Cohen said.

She's trying to reach out to former students, some of whom she's lost track of. "I've always had good relationships with my students," she said. Cohen said high blood pressure that went untreated for years has scarred her kidneys.

Doctors noted the high blood pressure, but didn't do anything to correct it, she and her husband said. "She didn't know how dangerous it was," Allen Cohen said.

Now, the blood pressure is under control, but her kidneys aren't functioning well, she said. She said she's noticed some changes in her body recently, but still feels pretty good. She and Allen swim every day.

But the more time that passes — Cohen is being tested once a month and monitors her symptoms — the closer she comes to having to rely on

'It would have to be, obviously, a gift of love.'

Thea Cohen
former teacher Redford Union High

blood-cleansing dialysis, she and her husband say.

"It's not a normal life, by any means," Allen Cohen said.

Thea Cohen says it's not easy to talk about her condition, nor to approach people about considering kidney donation.

"It's not something you can ask for," she said.

But a donation, she said, "would mean life, and I could do what I want to do," she said.

That includes trips abroad. She had planned two trips that she's had to cancel, she said, and people who don't know

she's ill are probably expecting postcards.

As a French teacher, Cohen often took RU students on trips to France that she planned herself, which cut down on costs. The first trip was in 1971.

Learning about the French culture was an aspect of the trips that consistently resonated with students, she said.

Also, "I think the Louvre, the art museum, was a big surprise and delight to a lot of them," she added. Paris was on the itinerary of every trip, she said.

"She (liked) to show France because there's so much negative publicity about it," said her husband, who often accompanied her.

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Youngblood, Cambell run for register of deeds

Incumbent Wayne County Register of Deeds Bernard Youngblood, a Democrat, is being opposed by Republican Wilhe J Cambell.

The register of deeds is responsible for recording all property transactions in the county. It pays \$128,768 a year.

Youngblood is completing his first term. He has a bachelor of science Degree from Wayne State University in business management and has had a Michigan Real Estate license since 1974. He is married and has two children.

Cambell is the executive director of Core City Neighborhoods Inc., a community development organization. He is a broker and owner of Seraphs' Agency for Real Estate. He has a bachelor of science degree from Wayne State University. He is married and the father of two children.

The candidates responded to a questionnaire from the *Observer*.

1 How would you improve access to records?

Youngblood Access to records is an ongoing project. A conversion process is currently being set up to allow records to be accessed back to



Cambell

1955 Our office continues to protect and maintain the integrity of those records. The Register of Deeds is governed by law to provide a level of service and protection necessary for the betterment of its citizens.

Cambell I would improve access to records by installing a better computer and internet system. My first priority will be to assure that Warranty Deeds can be recorded and returned to grantees within 60 days. Currently it takes more than a year to properly process and return warranty deeds. This is unacceptable and should not be tolerated by the citizens of Wayne County.

2 What is needed to improve the efficiency and timely response of the Register of Deeds Office?

Youngblood I am working diligently with the land title industry, technology providers, employees, and county departments to provide on-time recording capabilities, protection of property records,



Youngblood

Internet search access and first class customer service. My background in private business has driven me to provide a quality product in the most efficient manner.

Cambell To improve efficiency and timely response of the Register of Deeds office all staff must be retrained to use a better information technology system which I will install immediately. The public information recorded with the Register of Deeds is in fact notice to the world of various transactions, thus I would routinely publish every recorded document in the major news papers as well as posting on the internet. All information should be available to the public on the internet. I will offer special internet services to professionals using recorded data as part of their daily operations.

3 How would technology improve the operation?
Youngblood During the

next 4-6 months we will be implementing a new system that will streamline the process of recording and searching documents. This program has proven to be successful in counties across the country that are as large or larger than Wayne County. It is my continued goal to provide our customers with the best

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Canton gridders grind down Rocks, 42-14

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton prepared for the post-season Friday night by reminding cross-campus rival Salem how wide the gap has grown between the two schools' programs.

The Chiefs rolled to a 42-14 victory to finish the regular season 9-0 for the second consecutive year. Salem (3-6) lost for the sixth-consecutive time after reeling off three-straight wins to open the year.

"We see a different defense every week, so we have to prepare for everything," said Canton coach Tim Baechler. "Our backs made some big plays for us tonight."

"Now we have to stop listening to people say how good we are and work at getting better."

Salem coach Bob Cummings said his team was done in by ill-timed errors.

"We had some fumbles and penalties that really hurt us tonight," Cummings said. "You can't make mistakes like that against a good team like Canton."

"I was proud of our team this year, especially our seniors. They brought it every week and gave an excellent effort."

The Chiefs' defense struck first Friday night, scoring 20 seconds into the game when linebacker Jeff Hudson jarred the ball loose from Salem quarterback Jeff Lake. Jeff Piper scooped up the ball on the 13 and sprinted into the end zone. The extra point was missed, but Canton led 6-0.

Salem countered with an impressive 17-play, 94-yard scoring drive, which was capped off with Lake's one-yard quarterback sneak. Jon Pomorski's extra point

made it 7-6.

The drive took 9:23 off the clock, so Canton ran just three offensive plays in the entire first quarter.

Canton took the lead for good on its next possession when Julian Smith dove into the end zone from 1 yard out. The Chiefs upped their cushion to 14-7 when Smith followed an Andy Rossow block into the end zone for the two-point conversion.

Chuck Schumacher's 13-yard burst up the middle and Collin O'Shaughnessy's first of four successful extra points with 3:49 left in the first half extended the Chiefs' lead to 21-7.

Smith's second TD of the evening from 22 yards out made it 28-7 with 1:20 left in the half. The score was set up by Smith's interception and 24-yard return to the Rock 42.

Canton quarterback Shawn Little completed a 23-yard scoring strike to Rossow on the first drive of the second half to make it 35-7.

Salem drove to the Chief 22 on its next drive, but couldn't convert a fourth-and-four pass.

Canton's final tally came with 3:24 left in the third quarter when Smith cut back against the grain and out-raced the Rock secondary on a 71-yard touchdown run.

Salem's scored with 37 seconds remaining when Lake hooked up with Joe Crist from eight yards out.

Canton out-gained Salem, 284-214, in total yards. The Rocks won the first-down battle, 13-10.

Smith picked up 144 yards on 11 carries.

PLEASE SEE CANTON, B6



Canton freshman Maddy McDuff finished fourth in the 200-yard individual medley Wednesday. Canton defeated Plymouth, 115-71, to improve its record to 9-0.

So far, so good Undefeated Canton swimmers oust 'Cats

For complete results on the meet see B6

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton's girls swim team put a 'Best in the West' stamp on a perfect season Wednesday with a 115-71 victory over cross-campus rival Plymouth.

With the win, the 9-0 Chiefs earned first-place in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western

PLEASE SEE SWIMMERS, B6

Turnovers doom Wildcats

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

A two-and-a-half hour bus ride didn't faze Plymouth Friday afternoon as much as a 24-minute stretch of turnover-laden football Friday night.

The Wildcats had a season-high five give-aways in their 19-13 loss at West Branch Ogemaw Heights. The setback left Plymouth with a 2-7 mark. The Falcons finished at 4-5.

"Our defense played its best game of the year by far tonight," said Plymouth coach Jay Blaylock. "But our offense and special teams were out of rhythm. The kids seemed focused. Any time you have a long bus ride like we did, there's going to be some effect on the players. But we had plenty of time to get mentally ready, plus we made two long trips last year, so we knew what to expect."

Plymouth took the opening kick-off and marched down the field, scoring on quarterback Brent Jones' 1-yard sneak.

The Falcons responded by scoring on their first possession, but they missed the extra point, leaving the score at 7-6.

After Ogemaw Heights scored on a fake punt to jump ahead 13-7, Kevin Minor cut the Wildcats' deficit in half with a 32-yard field goal to make it 13-10 at the half.

The Falcons flew out of the halftime intermission by returning the second-half kick-off for a TD to increase their advantage to 19-10.

Minor boomed a 42-yard field with six minutes left to play to make it a one-score game, 19-13. However, Plymouth's final drive stalled when it failed to make a first down.

"The kids are disappointed that we only won two games," Blaylock said. "But we reminded them that we're the only team in the school's history that will have everybody back again the following year."

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Ineligible player costs Schoolcraft kickers

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

As a result of using an ineligible player, the Schoolcraft College men's soccer team will have to forfeit seven victories.

An internal school probe determined that goalkeeper Anthony Santilli played three games last month for the Windsor Border Cats of the Canadian Professional Soccer League, a violation of National Junior College Athletic Association rules.

Interim Schoolcraft athletic director Bill Tolstedt has notified the NJCAA and the Michigan Community College Athletic Association of the findings, which included Santilli's participation in Border Stars games on Sept. 6, 11 and 19.

NJCAA rules state that during the regular season, student-athletes cannot

participate in the same sport for any other team. During the regular season, student-athletes cannot participate in the same sport for any other team.

Santilli participated in nine Schoolcraft games, including seven wins and two losses.

As a result of forfeiting each of the seven wins, Schoolcraft's record falls from 13-2 overall to 6-9 heading into today's MCCA game at Kellogg Community College.

Santilli, who appeared in 13 games

during the 2001 season for the University of Detroit Mercy, has been suspended for the remainder of the season, and is awaiting a ruling from the NJCAA on the rule violation and any additional actions taken by the college in regards to the rule violation.

"I don't really have much to say other than that Anthony has apologized," Schoolcraft coach Dominic Scicluna said. "The only thing we can focus on is our three hours of training tomorrow (Saturday) and our next game. It's already affected the team and there shouldn't be any other penalty."

"I live, eat and breathe soccer. It's part of my whole life and I would not jeopardize myself, or the school, for somebody's individual desires. The truth is the only way to do things and it's time to move forward."

Salem advances on Harris' heroics

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Just call Salem's Thiago Harris "Captain Clutch." The senior captain's latest pressure-packed exploit unfolded Wednesday night in the Rocks' tension-filled 2-1 double-overtime victory over Ann Arbor Pioneer in a Division 1 district semifinal match at Salem.

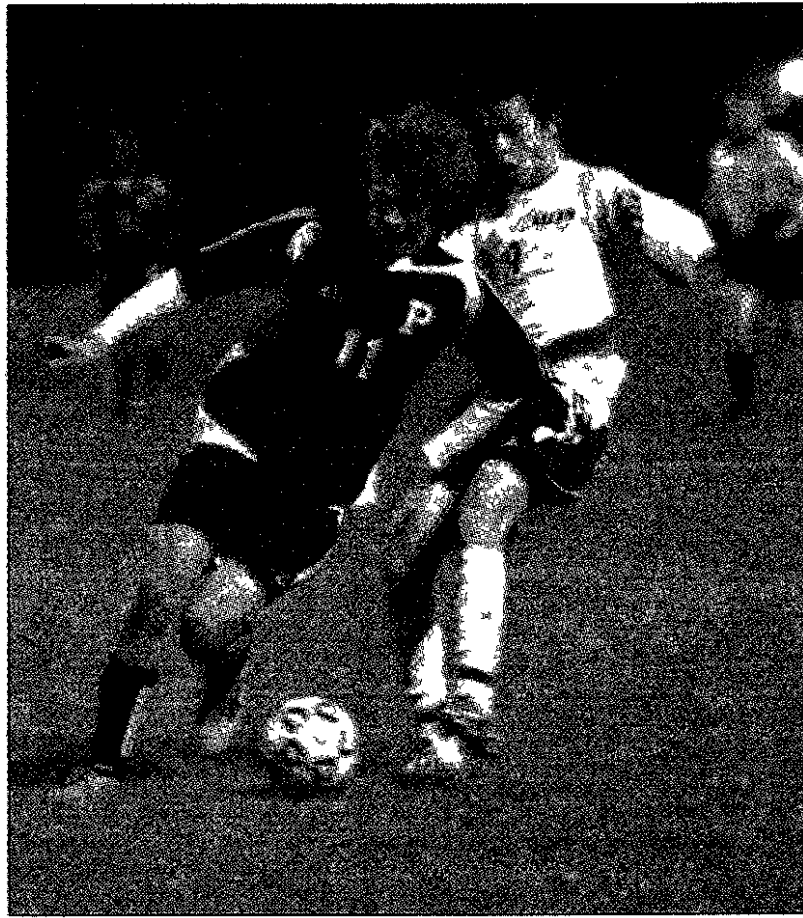
With just over six minutes remaining in the second OT, Harris took a pass from teammate Jake Bennett a few yards beyond mid-field and surged past a pair of Pioneer defenders. One step outside the 18-yard box, Harris was brought down by a Pioneer, setting up a direct kick from 20 yards out.

Harris drilled a hard, curling shot that whizzed through the Pioneers' defense, past goalie Alex Haas and into the back of the net to set off a delirious post-game Rock celebration. The shot also sent the Rocks' into yesterday's district final tilt against Salme (due to deadline restrictions, results will appear in Thursday's edition of the Observer).

The win improved Salem's record to 13-4-6 while Pioneer slipped to 14-6-3.

"Thiago is the player who takes all of our re-starts," Salem coach Ed McCarthy said. "He's had a number of key goals for us this season. He's a senior captain."

PLEASE SEE SALEM, B6



Salem's Thiago Harris (right) defends Ann Arbor Pioneer's Peter Vasher during Wednesday's Division 1 district semi-final game. Harris scored the game-winner in double-overtime.

JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sidelines

Grid pairings aired

The announcement of the 256 schools qualifying for the Michigan High School Athletic Association Football Playoffs and the first-round pairings will be unveiled beginning at 5:30 p.m. (EDT) on Sunday, Oct. 24, through television and Internet venues.

Leading off at 5:30 p.m. is the Selection Sunday Show on the MHSAA's television partner, Fox Sports Net Detroit, a 30-minute program which will carry the first announcement of the qualifiers and pairings.

The MHSAA will produce the program, hosted by John Keating and Matt Shepard of FSN Detroit.

The program will re-air on Monday (Oct. 25) at 11 a.m. The program is sponsored by Farm Bureau Insurance.

At 6 p.m., all qualifiers and pairings will be posted to the MHSAA Web Site - <http://www.mhsaa.com>.

Host schools will provide game dates and times to the MHSAA for posting on its Web site on October 25. Update times are approximately noon and 4:30 p.m.

NAIA honors MU

Madonna University was included when the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) announced Thursday the 184 Champions of Character institutions for the 2003-04 year.

The award recognizes NAIA member institutions that have embraced the character program by promoting or implementing activities related to five core character values of the initiative.

This is the fourth year of the recognition program for the Association.

Chiefs go 9-0

Canton's junior-varsity football team finished 9-0 Thursday after upending cross-campus rival Salem, 47-14. The Chiefs downed previously undefeated Westland John Glenn, 14-7, one week earlier.

The same group of players also earned a perfect 9-0 record as freshmen in 2003.

Girls hockey

The Plymouth-Canton-Salem unified girls hockey team will hold tryouts Monday, Nov. 1, and Wednesday, Nov. 3, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Arctic Edge Arena in Canton.

The cost is \$15 per skate and a sports physical is required before trying out.

Any girl attending either Plymouth, Canton, or Salem high schools for the 2004/05 school year may try out.

A mandatory parent meeting will follow tryouts for the girls who are selected. Parents will be asked to fill out paperwork, volunteer for duties at home games and submit medical insurance information and a check for \$600, which is half the cost for the season.

THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
 Friday Oct 29
 TBD at Canton 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
 Tuesday Oct 26
 Plymouth at Salem 7 p.m.
 Belleville at Inkster 7 p.m.
 Canton at Livonia Stevenson 7 p.m.
 Agape at A.P. Inter City 7 p.m.
 Southfield Christian at PCA 7 p.m.
 Thursday Oct 28
 Canton at Salem 7 p.m.
 W.L. Central at Plymouth 7 p.m.
 Belleville at Southgate 7 p.m.
 Friday Oct 29
 Oakland Christian at Agape at Discovery Middle School 7 p.m.
 PCA at Allen Park Inter City 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS SWIMMING
 Tuesday Oct 26
 Belleville at Wyandotte 7 p.m.
 Thursday Oct 28
 Salem at W.L. Central 7 p.m.
 W.L. Western at Canton 7 p.m.
BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
 Tuesday Oct 26
 Belleville at Ypsilanti Fun Run 4:30 p.m.
 Saturday Oct 30
 Salem Plymouth Canton and Belleville at Division 1 Regional at Schoolcraft College 10:30 a.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
 Tuesday Oct 26
 Schoolcraft at St. Clair 7 p.m.
 Concordia at Madonna 7 p.m.
 Thursday Oct 28
 Madonna at Webber International (Fla.) 7 p.m.
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 Madonna at Saginaw Valley St. 3 p.m.
 Wednesday Oct 27
 Madonna vs. Concordia at Livonia's Greenmead Field 4 p.m.
 Thursday Oct 28
 Madonna at Ill. Springfield 7 p.m.
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 NJCAA Region 12 Tournament at Schoolcraft College 11 a.m. & 3 p.m.
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WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
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 Madonna vs. Concordia at Livonia's Greenmead Field 4 p.m.
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 Friday Oct 29
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 Saturday Oct 30
 Whalers at Owen Sound 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday Oct 31
 Whalers at Brampton 2 p.m.
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Balanced attack leads Canton to comfortable win

BY ED WRIGHT
 STAFF WRITER

Plymouth slapped a triangle-and-two defense on Canton Thursday night in an effort to contain Chief top guns Katie Cezat and Lisa Ealy.

The "two" part of the defense worked against Cezat and Ealy, limiting them to a combined eight points, but the Chiefs shot holes in the triangle in their 40-16 victory over the visiting Wildcats.

In the triangle-and-two, three players play a zone defense while the other two play man-to-man against the opposing teams' top two scoring threats. With the defense concentrating on Cezat and Ealy, Canton's Molly Conlon, Becci Houdek and Kelsey Zemanski took advantage of open looks at the basket to combine for 21 points.

Conlon, who drilled three straight jumpers early in the second quarter, finished with eight, Houdek twined seven and Zemanski had six. Houdek had an exceptional defensive game, recording six steals.

Cezat scored six and hauled down 14 rebounds, and Ealy had 11 boards. Freshman Marie Martin chipped in with six and Lisa Olech pumped in five.

Neither team had a player score in double figures. "Plymouth did a great job against Cezat and Ealy, but we had other players who got

open shots and hit them, Canton coach Bob Blohm said.

The Chiefs, who are 10-5 overall, clinched first place in the Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division with the win. At 8-1, they are tied for first in the WLAA conference standings with Walled Lake Northern. Plymouth slipped to 8-6 overall and 6-3 in the WLAA.

Canton did a great job with their pressure, man-to-man defense against us," Plymouth coach Rachelle Reilly said. "We didn't execute well offensively.

Defensively, we played a triangle-and-two to stop Cezat and Ealy, but a few of their kids stepped up and made shots."

Defensively, Cezat blanketed Wildcat leading scorer Jeanne Moise, holding the talented, 5-foot-10 post player to a season-low three points. Kim Olech led Plymouth with four points and 11 rebounds. Colleen Flaherty had three.

Canton raced to a 10-0 lead in the first quarter as the Wildcats missed all seven of their field goals and four free throws. Flaherty brought Plymouth to within 10-3 two seconds into the second quarter when she converted a three-point play.

But the Chiefs countered with a 17-0 run to put the game on ice. Zemanski and Conlon both had six points in the pivotal streak.

Canton out-rebounded Plymouth, 29-24. The

Wildcats committed 22 turnovers — 13 in the decisive first half — compared to the Chiefs' 11 miscues.

The Chiefs shot 32 percent from the field (17-of-52) and 60 percent from the charity stripe (three-of-five). The Wildcats connected on just seven-of-30 shots from the field (23 percent) and two-of-13 free throws (15 percent).

Canton visits Livonia Stevenson Tuesday while Plymouth makes the short, cross-campus trek to Salem's gymnasium.

Tip-off for both games is slated for 7 p.m.

NORTHVILLE 44, SALEM 37: The Mustangs figured out a defensive scheme that cooled off the red-hot Rock shooters, holding Salem to 27-percent shooting (14-of-51) from the field.

They played a zone and we didn't attack their gaps very well, said Salem coach Fred Thomann. "They're quickness took us out of our game."

The loss dropped Salem (11-4 overall) out of first place in the WLAA. The Rocks are now 7-2 in the conference, one game behind co-leaders Canton and Walled Lake Northern. Northville is also 7-2 in the league and 10-5 overall.

Northville led 7-6 after one quarter and 19-17 at the intermission. The key quarter was the third when the Mustangs outscored the Rocks, 14-7, to secure a 33-24 advantage. "We played a nice first half,"

Thomann said. "They hit a shot right at the end of the half to take the lead. It's a disappointing loss because we felt we had an opportunity to control our own destiny and win the league championship, and now we don't control it."

Ellen Canale paced the Rocks with 12 points. Allysa Guern scored nine and Keyana Arnold twined seven.

Evonna Karchon led the Mustangs with 18. Simone Toney contributed 11. The two combined for 11 of Northville's 14 points in the key third quarter surge.

W.L. WESTERN 38, JOHN GLENN 34: Four 3-pointers sparked an 18-3 third-quarter uprising Thursday as host Walled Lake Western (4-10, 3-6) rallied for a WLAA victory over Westland John Glenn (3-11, 1-8).

Melissa Moore scored nine of her 14 points in the second half as Western outscored the Rockets, 27-15.

"They got good looks and took good shots," Glenn coach Mike Schuette said of Western's second-half surge.

Junior center Jennifer Swartz led the Rockets with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Jasmine Granberry contributed 10 points and seven rebounds.

Glenn hit 14-of-29 from the foul line, while Western made 8-of-20.

B.H. ROEPER 37, CANTON AGAPE 21: The Roughriders improved to 11-3 overall and 6-1 in the

Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Agape fell to 5-8 and 1-5.

Roeper surged to a 15-2 first-quarter lead and 21-6 halftime advantage.

Lindsey Gant led the Wolverines with eight points. Brianna Chrenko scored seven and hauled down 10 rebounds.

Sophie Braden paced the Roughriders with 17 points. Freshman point guard Bianca Barton poured in 12.

"We got off to a bad start and you can't do that against a good team like Roeper," Agape coach Chuck Henry said.

PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 54, CANTON AGAPE 46: Lauren Soblesky scored 17 points and Joie Jennings had 14 to lead the Eagles to their first win over Agape since 2000.

Brianna Chrenko had a strong performance for Agape, recording 12 points and a game-high 17 rebounds. A.J. Creps scored 12 for the Wolverines.

PCA jumped out to a 20-2 lead after one quarter before Agape fought back to take a one-point lead entering the fourth quarter. However, PCA's backcourt of Jennings and Soblesky led them to the win.

"We turned the ball over early and often," Agape coach Chuck Henry said. "They scored a lot of baskets off turnovers. As the game wore on, we played more aggressively and made it a game."

Shamrock kickers capture district crown

BY TIM SMITH
 STAFF WRITER

Back-to-back 1-0 victories were enough to send Redford Catholic Central into the Division 1 state boys soccer regionals. The Shamrocks blanked Grosse Pointe South Friday night to win the Berkley district.

Head coach Joe Nora said he wasn't yet sure who or when his team would play, only that they will play the winner of the

Utica district at the regional hosted by Macomb Dakota.

A goal by Josh Smith on a penalty kick, about 25 minutes into the district final, was enough to cap the clincher.

"It was a tough game back and forth," said Nora, whose team did not allow a goal in three district matches, improving to 9-7-6. "We kept playing hard and we kept it down in their end."

Catholic Central junior goal keeper Brian Walsh continued

his solid play, making eight stops for the shutout.

STONEWALLING MOTT

The Shamrocks qualified for the final with an impressive 1-0 victory Wednesday over Warren Mott.

Senior forward Dade DiMaggio's goal with 15 minutes to play — on an assist from junior midfielder Skylar Dum — provided all the offense the Shamrocks

required to earn the semifinal triumph.

Earning the shutout with a six-save performance was Walsh.

"We kind of went back and forth and took it to them here and there," Nora said. "We wanted to keep taking chances and we knew we'd get one eventually. Dade came through for us."

Nora said outstanding defense set the tone for the win. He cited seniors Smith

Bret Fortuna, Andy Well, Gary Klump and junior Matt Duprie for not allowing the Marauders many good scoring chances.

"And Brian was there when they did get through," Nora said. "It was a great win for us."

Catholic Central's 10-0 rout of Detroit Western International in Monday's district opener started what turned out to be a very good week for Nora and the Shamrocks.

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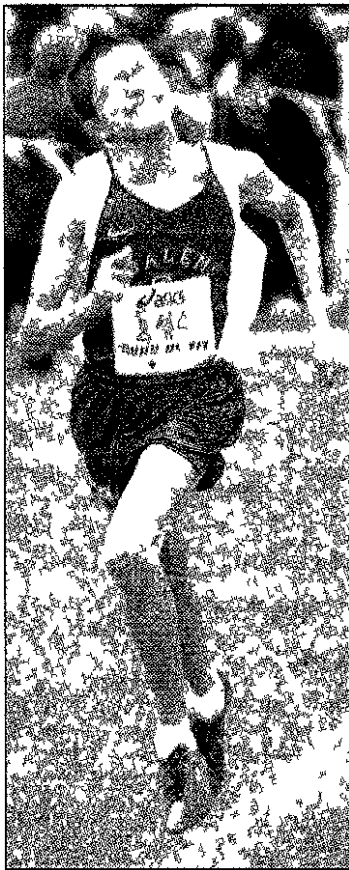
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Churchill harriers rule WLAA meet

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Churchill has won numerous division titles in boys cross country over the years, but the Chargers were able to take it a step further Friday afternoon at Willow Metropark in New Boston. Churchill, the pre-meet favorite, ended a 28 year drought by winning the Western Lakes Activities Association championship with a team-low 42 points. Defending champion Salem was a close second with 52, while Livonia Stevenson placed third in the 12-school field with 115. See complete results on page B1. Placing five in the top 21, Churchill was led by senior Connor Schultz, who finished runner-up to individual winner Sean Maxwell of Walled Lake Central. Maxwell covered the 5,000 meter course in 16 minutes, 3 seconds, while Schultz was clocked in 16:08.



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makes the entire race painful, Schultz said. "With 800 (meters) to go he (Maxwell) started to accelerate and I tried to keep up with him, but he just kept accelerating."

Salem was led by third-place finisher Dan Kapadia, a junior who was clocked in 16:15. He was followed by teammates Scott Fysh (10th), Adam Kosteva (14th), Joe Rothert (26th) and John Israel (27th).

"We ran very well today and I'm happy," Salem coach Geoff Baker said. "The whole team stepped up and ran well."

But first is first and second is nothing in this meet. Next week third or better means everything (at the regional) and we hope get another crack at them (Churchill) next week.

"This is what we shoot for and work for the whole season is for is this meet and next week. And hopefully we'll be fortunate to get into the state meet. This course is flat and fast just like the state meet course. We just hope to race a little bit better next week."

Salem's Dan Kapadia finished third overall in Friday's Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet at Willow Metropark. Led by Kapadia, the Rocks finished second in the meet.

Walled Lake Central placed three in the top 10 and four in the top 15, but did not place in the team standings because its fifth and only other runner dropped out.

Schultz and Maxwell dueled for much of the race until the Central junior made a late surge for the win.

"The big hill here, which is rare, is the one thing that

Other Churchill finishers included freshman Brandon Grysko, eighth, junior Tim Howse, ninth, senior Adam Lumley, 17th, and senior Joe Horka, 21st. "I don't think we've ever won in the Western Lakes, Churchill coach John McGreevy said. "There were no surprises at this competition. I just told our guys to run hard, know who they were running against, and try and kick it up a notch. And if you get beat by a better runner, you've just got to give them credit." "Most of our times I believe were P.R.s (personal records) and Joe Horka had a cold. He made a gutsy effort just finishing."

Spartans harriers' depth wins WLAA

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Livonia Stevensons pre meet preparations for Friday's Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet couldn't have been bumper.

However, the Spartans performance in the 12-team meet at Willow Metropark in New Boston couldn't have gone any smoother.

Led by a 1-2 finish from Heather Sirko and Kristen Frey, Stevenson defended its WLAA title in one of closest finishes in memory. The Spartans compiled 60 points to edge runner-up Livonia Churchill (66), Northville (69) and Salem (70).

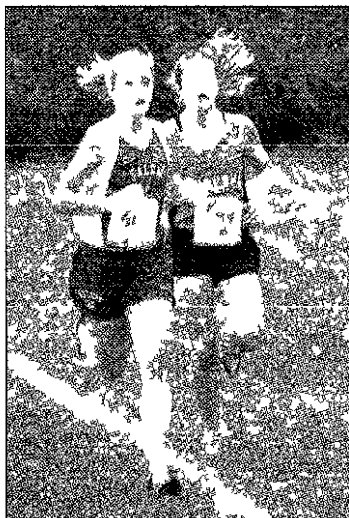
It was an awesome performance by the girls, especially considering that everything that could have gone wrong before the meet did, said Stevenson coach Paul Holmberg, who has led the Spartans since 1976. "There was a homecoming pep rally today, so the girls sat outside for a couple of hours. Then the bus was late, so we didn't have a second to waste getting out here. Although they weren't relaxed and confident when they got out here, they stepped up and ran great."

Sometimes I take our top two runners for granted because they finish 1-2 in just about every meet we go to. Most coaches have to worry where five of their runners are going to finish, I only have to worry about three."

Stevenson has now captured nine WLAA titles since 1994. Sirko finished in 18:07, 25 seconds ahead of Frey.

The Spartans also received strong showings from 14th-place Marinna Plinka, 16th-place Stephanie Perez and 27th-place Amber Cicala.

Churchill had seven runners place in the top 21, although only its top five times counted. Nicole Schmidt led the Chargers, finishing 10th, just



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Salem's Lauren Kane passed Livonia Churchill's Nicole Schmidt early in Friday's Western Lakes Activities Association conference meet at Willow Metropark. Kane finished sixth overall to help lead the Rocks to a fourth-place finish.

ahead of 11th place teammate Kylene Ciesiak.

"Overall the girls ran well," said Churchill coach Sue Tatigian. "It's one of the most competitive conferences in the state. The top 10 girls ran 19:18 or better and the top 16 were under 20:00."

Salem coach Dave Gerlach said he was happy with his runners' effort, but disappointed that the Rocks didn't place higher than fourth.

"The girls ran hard," he said. "I'm disappointed though because the opportunity was there for us today, the door was open. You don't get an opportunity to win a meet of this magnitude very often."

"At the one-mile marker, we had seven of the top 20 runners, so it was looking good. Our top three runners ran good races today. In fact, all three broke the old school record."

Rock runners Hannah Cavicchio, Laura Friedman and Lauren Kane finished fourth through sixth, respectively.

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Kindell's game ignites Belleville gridders

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Senior running back Isaac Kindell ran Belleville right into the post-season playoffs Friday night against Romulus. Kindell churned out 200 yards on 11 carries and scored three touchdowns in the Tigers' 36-0 romp over the Eagles. The win improved Belleville to 6-3, guaranteeing

the Tigers a berth in the playoffs. Romulus slipped to 6-3. Kindell got the Tigers rolling early with a 35-yard punt return for a TD mid-way through the first quarter. Cory Phillips' extra point made it 7-0. With three minutes remaining in the half, Phillips extended the Tigers' lead to 10-0 with a 30-yard field goal. Belleville sealed the deal in

the third quarter scoring on 75-yard and 20-yard bursts by Kindell, and a 5-yard run by Greg Rothen. Ali Allen closed out the scoring in the fourth quarter with a 3-yard TD run. Belleville picked up 329 on the ground, but did not complete a pass. Assisting Kindell were Wassem El Awadi, who had six carries for 56 yards, and Rothen, who picked up 14 yards on five attempts.

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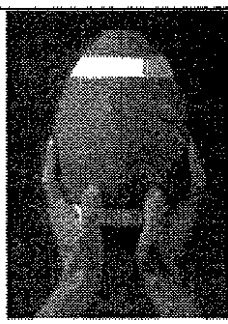
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Schumacher rambled for 97 on nine attempts and Little ran for 24 on three tries. The Chiefs held Lake in check in his final high school game limiting the talented QB to just 54 yards on 23 carries. Fullback Cam Schambre gained 43 yards on 11 rushes and running back Kevin Bradley amassed 19 yards. Canton's defense forced four turnovers. Piper and Hudson recovered fumbles and Smith and David Neu had interceptions. Neu's pick was his sixth of the season. Jake Powers led the Chiefs in tackles. Bradley had an interception for Salem.

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SALEM

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who has tremendous poise. He always seems to come through for us when we need him. The match was scoreless for the first 54 minutes and 25 seconds before Harris broke the goal drought with a direct kick just outside the 18 yard box. Pioneer scored an apparent goal two minutes later, but it was disallowed when the referee ruled it committed a 'dangerous play' infraction.

The Pioneers scored a goal that counted with 12:56 left in regulation when Allen Anderson took a pass from Peter Vasher and sizzled a shot past Rock goal-keeper Brian Field. Salem dominated play over the final 10 minutes of regulation and came close to ending the game twice when Jake Bennett's shot hit the crossbar with 7:15 left and when Steve Zelmanski's header was tipped just over the bar by Haas with 2:00 ticks of the clock remaining. Neither team came close to scor-

ing in the first overtime and a shoot-out appeared likely until Harris' heroics won it for the Rocks. "Their front-runner (Harris) is a real good player, said Pioneer coach Chris Morgan. "Salem is a good team. They play hard and they play with discipline. They know what they want to do. Wednesday's match was the third showdown of the year between the Rocks and Pioneers. Pioneer beat Salem, 1-0, in late August, and the two teams tied, 0-0 two weeks ago.

SWIMMERS

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The defeat dropped Plymouth to 6-3. "The girls are real excited about having accomplished something that a Canton team hasn't done in a while," said Chief first-year coach Mollie Raines. "All of the girls worked hard and contributed. We had a good freshmen class and a good, overall competitive group. It wasn't just the first places that got us the division championship, it was the extra one and two points we got in every meet. Plymouth coach Doug Schade was satisfied with his team's effort despite the setback. We had 31 personal bests in the meet, so the girls swam well," Schade said. "We swam as well as we could, Canton was just a little better than us. They're the conference's Western Division champs and one of the top 20 teams in the state, so losing to a team like that is nothing to be embarrassed about." Plymouth jumped out to an early lead by winning two of the first three events. Canton's quartet of Allison Schmitt, Alyssa Johnson, Monica Blaesser and Susie Patrick won the 200-yard medley relay, but the Wildcats Elaine Lafayette and Sarah Palczynski finished first in the 200 freestyle and 200 individual medley, respectively. Canton took charge of the meet by winning the next four events: diving (Mina Pirzaden), the 100 butterfly (Blaesser), the 100 freestyle (Izabela Paszkowska) and the 500 freestyle (Schmitt). "Since it was the last meet, we only swam our seniors in the relays," Raines said. "We wanted to give the other girls a chance to see how we can do against Plymouth next year. Everyone came through and gave us some really good swims."

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Canton 115 Plymouth 71
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200 yard medley relay 1. Canton (Alison Schmitt, Alyssa Johnson, Monica Blaesser, Susie Patrick) 2.02:04 2. Canton 2:08:02 3. Plymouth 2:11:64

200 freestyle 1. Elaine Lafayette (P) 2:08:55 2. Alyssa Johnson (C) 2:11:56 3. Allison Schmitt (C) 2:11:58

200 IM 1. Sarah Palczynski (P) 2:34:40 2. Laura Landis (C) 2:37:52 3. Beah Knisely (P) 2:38:96

500 free 1. Izabela Paszkowska (C) 26:97 2. Alyssa Liakos (P) 28:85 3. Emily Clanton (P) 29:33

Diving 1. Mina Pirzaden (C) 19:70 2. Jaclyn Fleming (P) 13:85 3. Stephanie Bonner (C) 13:90

100 butterfly 1. Monica Blaesser (C) 1:07:68 2. Molly Dowd (C) 1:11:14 3. Stephanie Goulet (P) 1:13:06

100 freestyle 1. Izabela Paszkowska (C) 1:01:66 2. Alyssa Johnson (C) 1:02:02 3. Emily Clanton (P) 1:02:98

500 freestyle 1. Allison Schmitt (C) 5:14:47 2. Elaine Lafayette (P) 5:45:93 3. Maricab Eggenberger (P) 6:03:37

200 freestyle relay 1. Canton (Alissa Vermeulen, Susie Patrick, Laura Landis, Izabela Paszkowska) 1:50:49 2. Canton 1:55:08 3. Plymouth 1:56:30

100 backstroke 1. Monica Blaesser (C) 1:10:15 2. Courtney Sears (C) 1:14:33 3. Stephanie Goulet (P) 1:14:95

100 breaststroke 1. Sarah Palczynski (P) 1:19:22 2. Molly Dowd (C) 1:25:20 3. Cassie White (P) 1:25:41

400 freestyle relay 1. Canton (Allison Schmitt, Alyssa Johnson, Monica Blaesser, Paige McBain) 4:06:22 2. Canton 4:06:60 3. Plymouth 4:10:07

Salem 125 Livonia Churchill 61
 Oct 21 at Livonia Churchill

200-yard medley relay 1. Salem (Kelsey Lincoln, Kim Heaney, Kate Downey, Katie Musson) 1:58:51 2. Churchill 2:01:91 3. Salem, 2:06:73

200 freestyle 1. Mary Sherada (LC) 2:00:94 2. Heather Michalsen (S) 2:06:24 3. Katie Gorman (S) 2:08:37

200 IM 1. Kelsey Lincoln (S) 2:16:49 2. Lauren Siedlik (LC) 2:26:84 3. Caitlin Larsen (LC) 2:27:45

50 freestyle 1. Amanda Newman (S) 27:11 2. Kate Musson (S) 27:60 3. Ellen Rotter (LC) 27:63

Diving 1. Ashley Aquino (S) 209:80 2. Elena Guoroguev (S) 191:30 3. Sarah Bugosh (S) 167:10

100 butterfly 1. Heather Michalsen (S) 1:05:89 2. Caitlin Larsen (LC) 1:06:87 3. Katie Downey (S) 1:09:93

100 freestyle 1. Kelsey Lincoln (S) 56:54 2. Amanda Newman (S) 59:55 3. Ally Stencil (S) 59:77

500 freestyle 1. Mary Sherada (LC) 5:19:45 2. Kate Musson (S) 5:42:92 3. Katie Gorman (S) 5:44:25

200 freestyle relay 1. Salem (Amanda Newman, Heather Michalsen, Katie Gorman, Kate Musson) 1:49:36 2. Salem 1:50:76 3. Churchill 1:54:91

100 backstroke 1. Katie Myers (S) 1:07:26 2. Casey Shimp (S) 1:08:66 3. Niari Avanesyan (LC) 1:11:12

100 breaststroke 1. Lauren Siedlik (LC) 1:13:04 2. Kim Heaney (S) 1:13:24 3. Andrea Lang (S) 1:18:76

400 freestyle relay 1. Salem (Kelsey Lincoln, Katie Gorman, Heather Michalsen, Amanda Newman) 3:55:16 2. Churchill 3:58:33 3. Salem 4:03:92

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Friend's 2-goal effort lifts MU to WHAC title

The Madonna University men's soccer team wrapped up its fifth consecutive Wolverine Hoosier Athletic Conference regular season title Wednesday with a 2-0 win over Cornerstone University at Livonia's Greenmead Field.

Will Friend, a junior transfer from Schoolcraft College, scored both goals for the victorious Crusaders, who improved to 7-4-1 overall and 6-0-1 in the WHAC.

It was also the second WHAC title in as many years for coach Tino Scicluna.

Friend, an Ann Arbor native (Quest Academy), scored at

16:33 of the match on a blind header off a cross from senior defender Matt Koontz (Livonia Stevenson).

Less than 14 minutes later, Friend scored again off a cross from freshman Peter Bierzynski (Redford Catholic Central).

MU freshman goalkeeper Kristofer Lyons (Walled Lake Central) made four saves to post his fourth straight shutout and the seventh this season.

Cornerstone, which fell to 6-1 overall and 5-3 in the WHAC, got seven saves from goalkeeper Luke Owens

Lady Ocelots eye rematch with St. Clair spikers

Schoolcraft College racked up two more Eastern Conference women's volleyball victories last week to set up a rematch for first place with leader St. Clair CC.

On Thursday, the Lady Ocelots improved to 25-6 overall and 14-1 in the conference with a 30-22, 30-28, 30-15 win over host Delta CC following a 20-30, 30-21, 28-30, 30-17, 15-13 victory over host Mott CC in Flint.

Schoolcraft travels Tuesday to face unbeaten St. Clair, which is 52-2 overall and 15-0 in the conference (Game time is 7 p.m.).

Meghan McAuliffe led Schoolcraft with 15 kills in the

win over Delta (23-20, 5-8). Kathleen Knutson (Westland John Glenn) added nine, while Mayssa Bazzi and Gillian Brooks contributed eight apiece.

Naoko Ninomiya had a team-high 23 digs, while Bazzi had 16 and Carlin O'Hara 11. Schoolcraft setter Kelly Sines finished with 44 assists.

Knutson had 29 kills in the marathon win over Mott (30-17, 11-5). Teneika Fellows added 11, while McAuliffe had nine and Angie Wangler eight.

Once again, Ninomiya led the defense with 29 digs.

Sines had 60 assists and four aces serves.

Crusaders win 30th

Madonna University hit the 30-win plateau for the fifth straight season with pair of wins Friday in the Big Guns Classic hosted by St. Francis (Ind.).

The Crusaders beat Tiffin (Ohio) University in the opener, 30-28, 30-16, 30-18, as Sharyse Bush and Natalja Timna finished with 17 and 16 kills, respectively.

Caryn Inman added 12 kills, while setter Ashley Frost had 39 assist-to-kills and a team-high nine blocks (tied with Bush). Tera Morrill (Livonia Franklin) and Timna each

added eight digs while Stefame DeNardin and Jacquie Gatt (Livonia Churchill) served three aces apiece.

The loss dropped Tiffin to 13-21.

Madonna, coming off a four-game loss Tuesday to Cornerstone, improved to 30-2 overall with a 30-21, 30-15, 30-15 win over the University of Michigan Dearborn as Timna had a team-high 21 kills.

Inman and Bush added 12 and 11 kills, respectively, while Frost racked up 34 assists.

DeNardin finished with 15 digs, while Timna added 13.

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A. Studies suggest that there are many ways that power is displayed in a relationship. We typically think that money is a good predictor of power in a relationship - the partner who brings home the money has the power in a relationship. But studies show that it is not always the deciding factor. Money does matter, but so do other things. Power is usually not all one way in any relationship. There are several questions you can ask yourself to see where the power resides in different areas of your relationship. Ask yourself the following:

1. Who successfully interrupts the other partner? Research shows that if one partner consistently and successfully can interrupt the other person, the one who interrupts is the more powerful partner.

2. Who has an extensive network of friends or family to turn to in times of trouble? The partner who has more people to turn to, has more power because they are less dependent on the relationship.

3. Who is more invested in the relationship? Studies show that when one partner is more invested in the relationship than the other, a severe power imbalance results. The more that both partners are interdependent on each other, socially, emotionally and financially, the harder it is for either to leave and the greater the incentive to stay together.

4. Who decides what television programs to watch? Sometimes this is a subtle form of power because one partner has control over what the couple watches on television.

In general, when a relationship is unbalanced, this causes feelings of resentment in the partner without the power. But, remember that perception is very important. If you think someone has more power than you do, you probably "give in" sooner, which of course makes your perception reality. In addition, couples do not necessarily have to be equal in every aspect of life, but the closer they get to that sense of equality, the happier they tend to be. Further, studies consistently show that what is most important for relationship happiness is that both partners think the division of power is fair (regardless of how it is displayed).

More specifically, if you have the power in your relationship and would like it to be more balanced, try to consult your partner more in decisions concerning the relationship (for example, seeking input on where to go out on Saturday night or suggestions for how to invest your money). Use your power wisely and make sure your partner gets to shine, too. If your partner has the power, and you would like it to be more balanced, try to focus on areas where you sense an imbalance and see if there is room for change. Trying to create a few small changes can go a long way toward making your relationship feel more balanced.

To submit a question, e-mail the LOVE Doctor at www.detroitlovedr.com. Terri L. Orbuch, Ph.D., is a psychologist, sociologist, author, Oakland University professor and research scientist at the University of Michigan. Listen to her on 105.1 FM WMGC every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. Watch her every Monday between 8:30 a.m. and 9 a.m. on FOX 2 Morning News.

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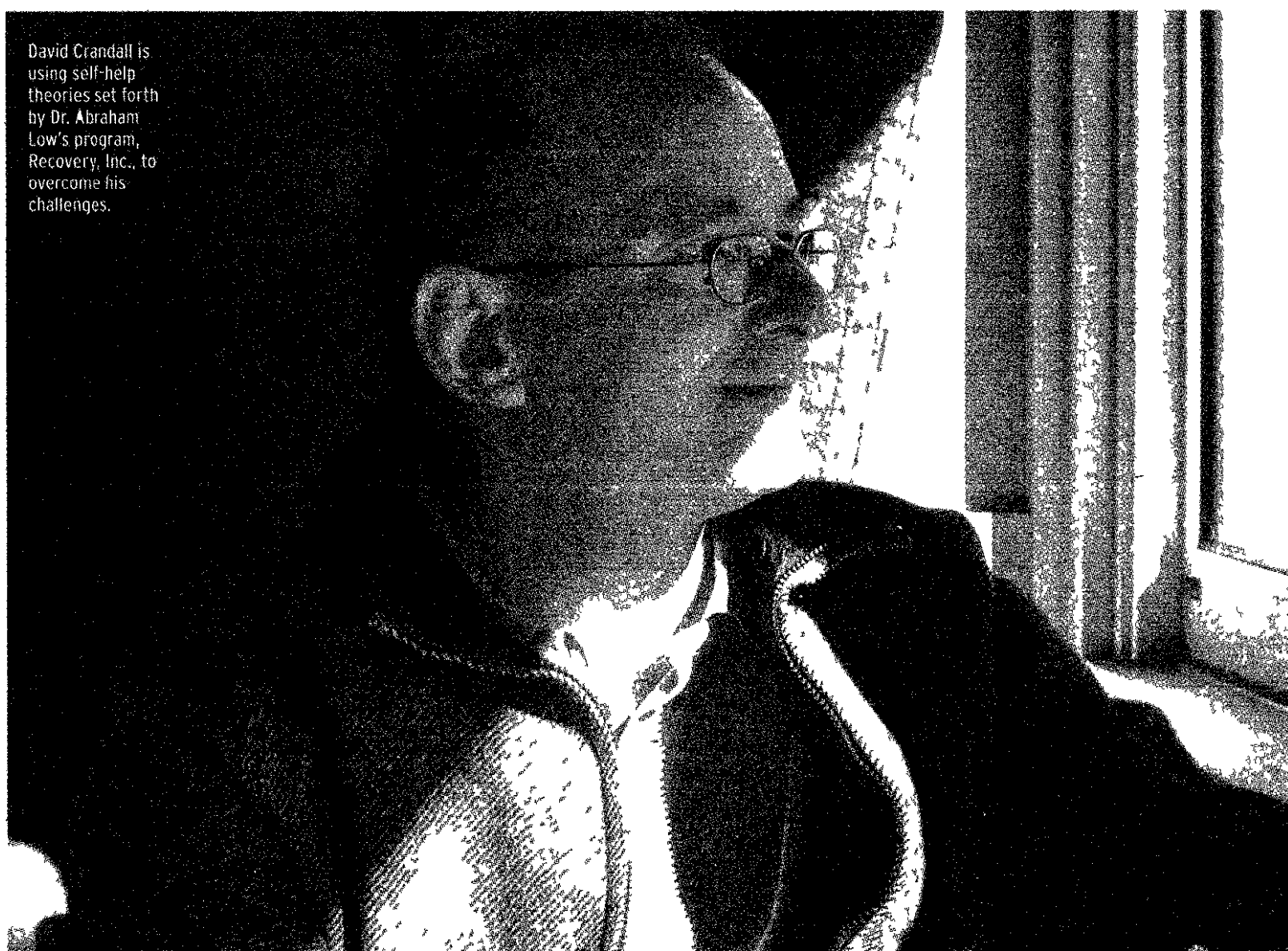
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David Crandall is using self-help theories set forth by Dr. Abraham Low's program, Recovery, Inc., to overcome his challenges.

Emerging from the shadows

Discovery of grandmother's book leads to Recovery

BY STACY JENKINS
STAFF WRITER

David Crandall strives to be average. That may seem strange, but it's a real achievement for the 49-year-old Farmington Hills man who has struggled with mental disorders for most of his life.

Moving his muscles and getting out of bed was once a major feat. Leaving the house was not an option and the thought of driving a car or being around people evoked feelings of panic.

He's come a long way since then. Sitting outside of a Borders Books store in a bustling shopping plaza, being interviewed by a newspaper reporter, no less, was not something David would have imagined doing in the past. Not to mention mustering the courage to drive on Orchard Lake Road to get there.

But, there he was. He was ready to tell of his journey toward averageness. Selecting his words like picking the perfect apple off a tree, David pored through his painful past, his steady progress and ended with a smile, knowing he's accomplished much.

And, he owes much of it to Recovery, Inc., a long-established self-help program for people with stress, anxiety, depression, anger and other emotional problems. David was diagnosed with numerous illnesses throughout his life, but settled on chronic depression and anxiety disorder.

"I was diagnosed with all kinds of things," he said. "I was put on every medication in the book and had every diagnosis. I had pretty much given up."

As a young man in his 20s, he literally stopped talking to people and experienced nervous breakdowns. He was afraid of people because he thought everyone knew something was wrong with him.

DISCOVERY

Dwelling basically in solitude in his parents' basement, the young man noticed an old, dusty book sitting on a shelf. Inscribed in gold letters on the navy blue, hard-cover book was



David Crandall keeps his grandmother's 1950 copy of 'Mental Health Through Will Training' close at hand. It has helped in his journey.

a title that would change his life - *Mental Health Through Will Training*, by Dr. Abraham A. Low.

"I read a chapter and I said to myself, 'This is me,'" he said.

It was his grandmother's book. Inside, he found an old piece of paper, listing dates for Recovery, Inc. meetings.

She went to these meetings and she was helped, so I figured I would try it," he said. Established in 1937 by Low in Chicago, Recovery, Inc. is the result of a once-profound theory that people can help themselves out of the mental illness storm.

David reluctantly attended his first meeting in Southfield.

"I probably sat in back and didn't say a word for about six months," he said. "I was scared. But, the more I listened, the more I found out that these people are like me."

That was 18 years ago. Taking small steps, David learned how to retrain his brain to think positively and to recog-

nize every ounce of progress he was making through his studies of Low's theories.

It was the minuscule battles he faced every day - like getting out of bed - that made the difference. He learned how to feel proud of himself and how to challenge himself. He also learned how to deal with circumstances beyond his control and realize that everything that doesn't go as planned isn't his fault.

My illness is fate-appointed, not self-appointed, he said.

RECOVERY

Now, David has friends, he's involved in a watch and clock collectors group, he travels, he visits flea markets as a pastime and he's getting ready to move into his own apartment.

His faith in Recovery, Inc. has brought him far. He now leads his own Recovery group at 1 p.m. on Fridays at the Southfield Civic Center, in the parks and recreation building, on Evergreen, south of 11 Mile. He welcomes newcomers to the group. He's also an assistant leader at Monday meetings at St. Coleman's church on Middlebelt and 14 Mile in Farmington Hills and on Wednesdays at Prince of Peace Church on Walnut Lake Road in West Bloomfield.

The meetings are not focused on diagnosis or medications, but on the person's experiences and how they deal with them.

Carolyn Dirker, who has been involved in Recovery, Inc. for 30 years, and is an area leader, said David is an excellent example of how Dr. Low's program works.

"In my opinion, David was non-functional before. He spent most of his time in bed," she said. "But, he started with one meeting and he kept going. He just improved so much."

She said group leaders who watched David improve are also impressed.

"They're just so amazed by him," she said. David admits he still has challenging days, but at least he's able to recognize it's just part of life.

"I feel I'm no better and no worse than anyone else," he said. "I feel I have done a lot for a person in my situation, with my limits."

He smiles at the notion of just being an average guy.



Tiffany Pao, a 15-year-old Churchill High School student, performs Beethoven's Concerto No. 1 with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra Saturday, Oct. 30.



Soprano Oleksandra Hrabova is a graduate of Luts Institute of Music and Lysenko Conservatory of Music in Lviv, Ukraine.

Young pianist sure to draw crowd

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Tiffany Pao's performance Saturday, Oct. 30, of a Beethoven concerto with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra should draw quite a crowd to Churchill High School. Friends, classmates and even the Churchill girls track coach plan to attend the concert featuring the 15-year-old sophomore, one of two guest soloists.

Pao has her feet firmly planted in two worlds. She admires girls track coach Sue Tatigian-Tatro as much as her

piano teacher Mary Sichano, who she began studying with at age 5. Both are extremely proud of her. Tatigian-Tatro first saw Pao perform in May with the Dearborn Symphony Orchestra. It's quite a feat for a young pianist to be featured as a guest soloist with an orchestra.

"I'd never been in the presence of such talent before," Tatigian-Tatro said.

Pao puts her heart and soul into whatever she does, but especially piano and sports. Five days a week, she and members of the Churchill girls

track team run around Newburgh Lake after school. Pao says it helps her build endurance to tackle pieces such as Beethoven's *Piano Concerto No. 1 in C Major*.

"Cross country gives me more energy overall," Pao said. "It's very tough. I think it helps me because of endurance and gives me confidence."

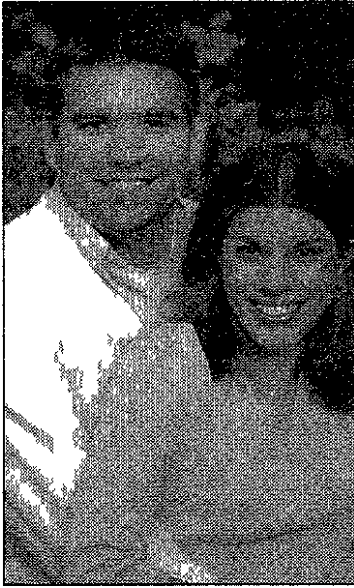
Pao equally loves the Beethoven she will play Oct. 30.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DeDominicis-Franz

Daniel and Loretta DeDominicis of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Nicole Lynn, to Robert Karl Franz of Livonia. Nicole is a 1998 graduate of Churchill High School and a 2002 graduate of University of Michigan. She is currently employed as an industrial engineer at Lear Corp in Fenton. Her fiancé, Robert, is the son of Karl and Linda Franz of Livonia. He is a 1998 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 2002 graduate of Ferris State University. He is currently employed as a deputy sheriff with the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. Robert and Nicole are planning a wedding in October 2005.



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Ruzycski-Davis

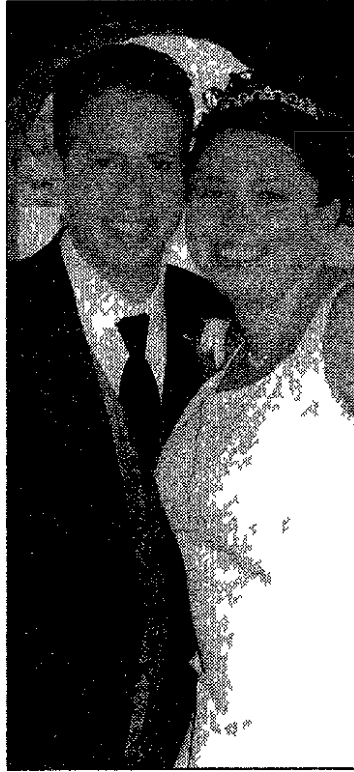
Daniel and Kathleen Ruzycski of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Kristen Ann, to Matthew John Davis of Detroit. Kristen is a graduate of Stevenson High School and is currently attending Eastern Michigan University studying POHI special education. She is employed as a nanny. Her fiancé, Matthew, is the son of Larry and Christine Davis of Detroit. He is a graduate of University of Detroit Jesuit and is currently attending the University of Detroit Mercy and will receive his bachelor's degree in nursing. He is employed at Botsford Hospital as a nurse tech. Matthew and Kristen are planning a wedding in the spring of 2007.



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Galatis-Schram

Christos Galatis and Jennifer Lynn Schram were married on Sept 11 at St. Edith Church in Livonia. Jennifer is the daughter of Jim and Peggy Schram of Livonia. She is a 1998 graduate of Churchill High School and a 2003 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. She is currently working for Comerica Bank. Chris is the son of George Galatis of Livonia and the late Stella Galatis. He is a 1999 graduate of Churchill High School and a 2004 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is the sports and recreation director for the Jewish Community Center in Oak Park. Attending the bride were her sisters, Kathleen and Maureen Schram, and friends, Kristin Peterson and Gina Vinson. Attending the groom were friends, Shaun Brossy, Adam Rourki, Dave Moss and Kelley Brossy.



Chris and Jennifer are making their new home in Westland



Boyette-Nichols

Dr. Aimee Nichols and Sean Boyette were married Oct 8 at Henry Ford Estate. Aimee is the daughter of Dan and Tom Halling of Novi. She is a graduate of Livonia Churchill

High School and Madonna University. She is a doctor. Sean is the son of John and Theresa Boyette of Atlanta, Ga. Aimee and Sean will work and reside in the Atlanta, Ga., area.

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.

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- 1 "The Dark Tower," Stephen King
- 2 "Plot Against America," Philip Roth
- 3 "Trace," Patricia Cornwell
- 4 "The DaVinci Code," Dan Brown
- 5 "Are You Afraid of the Dark?" Sidney Sheldon

NON-FICTION

- 1 "America (The Book)," Jon Stewart

- 2 "How to Talk Like a Liberal (If You Must)," Ann Coulter
- 3 "The Family," Kitty Kelly
- 4 "Unfit for Command," John E. O'Neill
- 5 "Between a Rock and a Hard Place," Aron Ralston

PARENTS' CHOICE

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- 1 "Miss Spider's Sunny Patch Kids," David Kirk
- 2 "Ralphie and the Swamp Baby," Vicky Rubin
- 3 "My Little Brother," David McPhail
- 4 "Little Duck Lost," Erica Briers
- 5 "Otto Goes to Camp," Todd Parr

New youth club to open

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Len Fisher is excited about the new youth club Trune opening Friday, Oct 29, with costume contests and eight bands battling it out at the Genesis Center in Westland. Every Friday night from 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. teens will be treated to live entertainment, contests and games. The goal is to provide an alternative to the traditional club scene. The Renaissance Cafe will serve a variety of food and nonalcoholic drinks in addition to offering wireless Internet. Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door and available by

calling (734) 276-1292. "The Genesis Center used to be a traditional church, First Missionary Church," said Len Fisher. "We had opened a cafe for teens in the Fellowship Hall with bands. A group in Ann Arbor was doing the same thing. They lost their building. We lost our people so we got together. We'll have a battle of the bands. It's church in a totally new way. We're also starting a service 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct 30." Club Trune is at 35248 Palmer at Wayne. For more information, visit the Web site at www.clubtrune.com. lchomin@oe.homecomm.net | (734)953-2145

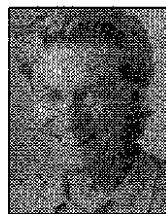
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(Oct. 24-27)
By Dennis Fairchild

ARIES (March 21-April 20)

You seem to be caught in a crosscurrent at the moment and are almost beginning to panic which isn't your style. Ram. Chill kiddo. This week's Solar Eclipse gives you both the freedom and the power to do what you deem to be just and right and bring a costly cycle to a close.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

You'll push ahead with great enthusiasm over the next few days both in your personal life and at work. You'll also be aware that there's money to be made if you focus your energy in a single direction and don't allow yourself to be sidetracked. Start figuring out where your priorities lie.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

What lies ahead is not as important as what is taking place all around you. This week's Solar Eclipse signifies that you have come to the end of the line either personally or professionally. In every respect, realize that destiny is not a matter of chance; it is a matter of choice.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

The astro interpretation of planetary activity over the next few weeks is that any changes taking place at home or with family are for the best. Emotions have been too close to the surface since summer dissolved but you are about to find your way ahead clearly signposted and experience relief.

LEO (July 24-Aug 23)

Things are heating up and could well boil over in the weeks ahead. However, in the final analysis, you should be grateful if Friday's Solar Eclipse finally brings to a head problems related to your earnings or those of a joint financial nature. Swallow some of that Leo pride!

VIRGO (Aug 24-Sept 23)

This may be a rather cranky, unsettling week as events over which you have no control force you to confront a financial or family issue that you've been evading. Deep down, you knew that it would come to this sooner or later. Learn to speak up or learn first aid, Virgo.

LIBRA (Sept 24-Oct 23)

The keyword over the next few weeks is confidence and you will be offered every opportunity to show what you can do. Above all, walk away from people or situations that upset you. Don't be miserly expressing your feelings or desires. You'll be amazed at the results - and profits.

SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

You've come so far and endured so much - don't give up now! It won't take you long to understand why life has been so tough recently or to make the most of your change in fortune. Responsibilities begin to relax now - and you should, too. After all, it's birthday time!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

By once again you are reminded that the only difference between a flower and a weed is a judgment. If you have this thought in mind as the Moon goes full, you will suddenly find yourself in a unique position to turn what others consider a setback into something sensational and of lasting value.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 21)

The moment has come to accept the fact that things will only go from weird to worse if you continue to defy the winds of change or put off things. No matter how disillusioned you feel right now, the best solution to all current problems is to live and let live and roll up your sleeves!

AQUARIUS (Jan 22-Feb 19)

Handing over control and letting go of people, places, or situations does not come easy to the ever faithful constant WaterBearer. However, the approaching Solar Eclipse is about to give you the courage and determination to cut loose and bring a long drawn out and decidedly uncomfortable chapter of your life to a close.

PISCES (Feb 20-March 20)

Cooperation or confrontation? Only you can decide. Fish. But current aspects indicate that the time has come to be less forgiving and more protective of your own interests. Money re grooving takes up a great deal of your time now and you cannot afford to leave anything to chance.

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Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus preserves history in song

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Ask any current or past member of the Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus and they'll tell you the group is about preserving heritage and memories of the homeland.

Anatoli Murha's father Wally started teaching him how to play the bandura, a 60-stringed instrument at age 9. At age 26, he's given concerts all over North America and Europe.

Murha does not travel from town to town like the blind bandurists did for centuries in Ukraine, but he's nevertheless keeping the culture alive by retelling their stories through song.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, Murha and the rest of the 45-member chorus bring the ancient tradition to life in an 8 p.m. concert at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, west of Haggerty, Northville.

Tickets are \$15 adults, \$10 seniors and students and available by calling the church at (248) 374-5928 or the chorus at (734) 953-0305.

"I've had the opportunity to meet people around the world and share my culture," said Anatoli Murha, a Livonia resident who joined the chorus at age 14. "In more ways than I can say there's a sense of accomplishment and pride in representing Ukraine. Murha is among four generations performing with the chorus. While other classical



The Ukrainian Bandurist Chorus has performed throughout Europe and North America, preserving the musical culture of Ukraine.

art forms struggle to attract youth, the chorus has to turn prospective members away, selecting only the most accomplished musicians and singers.

"There's a real romantic pull to something with a tragic past," said Borys Potapenko, a past member and current director of the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren. "Blind storytellers known as Kobzars traveled from village to village, serving as sort of an archivist of Ukrainian history for common folk. They were faced with extinction during Czarist and Communist times and in the 1930s were called to a convention and shot."

The chorus continues on their tradition. Formed in Kiev in 1918, the chorus established itself in America after several of its members immigrated to

the United States in 1949 and settled in Detroit. In 1991, they celebrated the 10th anniversary of freedom from Soviet rule in Ukraine with a tour of major cities there.

Today members from ages 16 to 75 travel from as far away as British Columbia, Alberta, Toronto, Connecticut, New York and Ohio to rehearse and perform.

"It goes to our hearts when we hear bandura," said Potapenko. "It hearkens back to a fairy tale land of home, family and God. The chorus is a little bit of Ukraine in Michigan."

"Whenever we play a CD by the chorus or hear a performance we are in our Ukrainian home."

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Livonia Bentley
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A 30 year reunion of the Class of 1974 will be held Saturday Nov 27 at Laurel Manor. Tickets are \$70. Classmates are being sought. Please visit www.bentley74.com for further information, or notify Kathy (ladipaolo) Jones at (734) 462-9438 or e-mail at meandmrsjones11@hotmail.com or Dave Marlowe at (734) 462 2465 or e-mail at dmarlowe@motor.com Class of 1984
A 20 year class reunion is being held Saturday Nov 20 2004 at the Italian American Banquet & Conference Center 39200 Five Mile Road Livonia. For more information contact April (Greig) Santori e-mail april_santori@sbcglobal.net

Livonia Stevenson High School
Class of 1984
A 20 year reunion is planned for Saturday Nov 27 2004 at St. Mary's Cultural Center on Merriman in Livonia. Contact (734) 261 3264 or e-mail reunions@peoplepc.com

Northville High School
Classes of 1964 1965 1966
A combined reunion is planned for the summer of 2005. Volunteers needed. For details contact Howie Ambinder e-mail at nancyambinder@comcast.net

Our Lady of Good Counsel-Detroit
All classes through 1979 being held Saturday Oct 30 at Rivercrest Banquet Center Rochester Hills. For information and tickets e-mail pmc@mcpcub.com or call Pat van der Lee at (248) 601 1925

Seaholm High School
Class of 1994
A 10 year reunion is planned for Friday Nov 26 2004 at Big Rock Chop and Brew House Stone Terrace 245 S Eton Birmingham. To receive an invitation contact Nicole Rendzpers Munder at nrmunder@hotmail.com or visit www.seaholm94.com

Southgate Aquinas
Class of 1984
A 20 year reunion is planned for Friday Nov 26 2004 at Riverside Banquet Center 3530 Biddle Wyandotte. For more information contact Sue (Saez) Tyllutki at (734) 676 1957 or QNorth1957@aol.com

St. Alphonsus High School
Class of 1964
A 40 year reunion is planned for Oct 30 2004. For information call Sandy Hayek Salloum at (734) 432 9905 or Babe@G02dt.com

St. Damian School
An Alumni Mass and Complimentary Reception is being held 11 a.m. on Sunday Nov 28 2004 at St. Damian Church and Community Room in Westland. St. Damian will be celebrating 50 years in 2005. alumni@stdami.com

St. Mary's of Redford
Class of 1969
A 35 year reunion is planned for Nov 13 2004 at Monaghan Knights of Columbus Livonia. For more information contact Mark Coulter at (734) 453 5423 or Jane (Eustice) Runchey at (734) 459 6728

LEGAL NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
PUBLIC TEST OF THE UNILECT PATRIOT
ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM FOR THE
NOVEMBER 2, 2004, GENERAL ELECTION

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: A public test of the Patriot Electronic Voting System will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2004, in the Clerk's Office at Plymouth Township Hall, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building No. 3, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, for the General Election scheduled for November 2, 2004. Phone: #354-3224.

The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

MARILYN MASSENGILL, Clerk
Charter Township of Plymouth

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

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BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
MEETING NOTICE
CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN
(734) 453-1234

A regular meeting of the Board of Zoning Appeals will be held on Thursday November 4, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. in the Commission Chambers of the City Hall, 201 S. Main Street, Plymouth, MI to consider the following items:

Z 04 23	717 McKinley	Non Use Variance Requested
		Rear Yard Setback Variance
		Attached Garage
		Zoned R-1 Single Family Residential
		Applicant: Claro Recto

All interested persons are invited to attend.

In compliance 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 in writing or calling the following:

Carol Stone, ADA Coordinator
201 S. Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170 (734) 453 1234 Ext 206

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for the **Purchase and Installation of one Electric Sign for East Middle School**. Bidders may obtain bidding documents consisting of one (1) set of Drawings and Specifications from the Office of the Architect TMP ASSOCIATES INC, 1191 West Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302, the McGraw Hill Construction Dodge Plan Room, Southfield, Michigan, the Reed Construction Data Plan Room, Novi, Michigan, or the Construction Association of Michigan, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. For additional information contact Dan Phillips of the PCCS Purchasing Department at (734) 416 2746. Sealed bids are due on or before 1:30 p.m. Thursday, October 28th, 2004. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth Canton Community Schools
JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary

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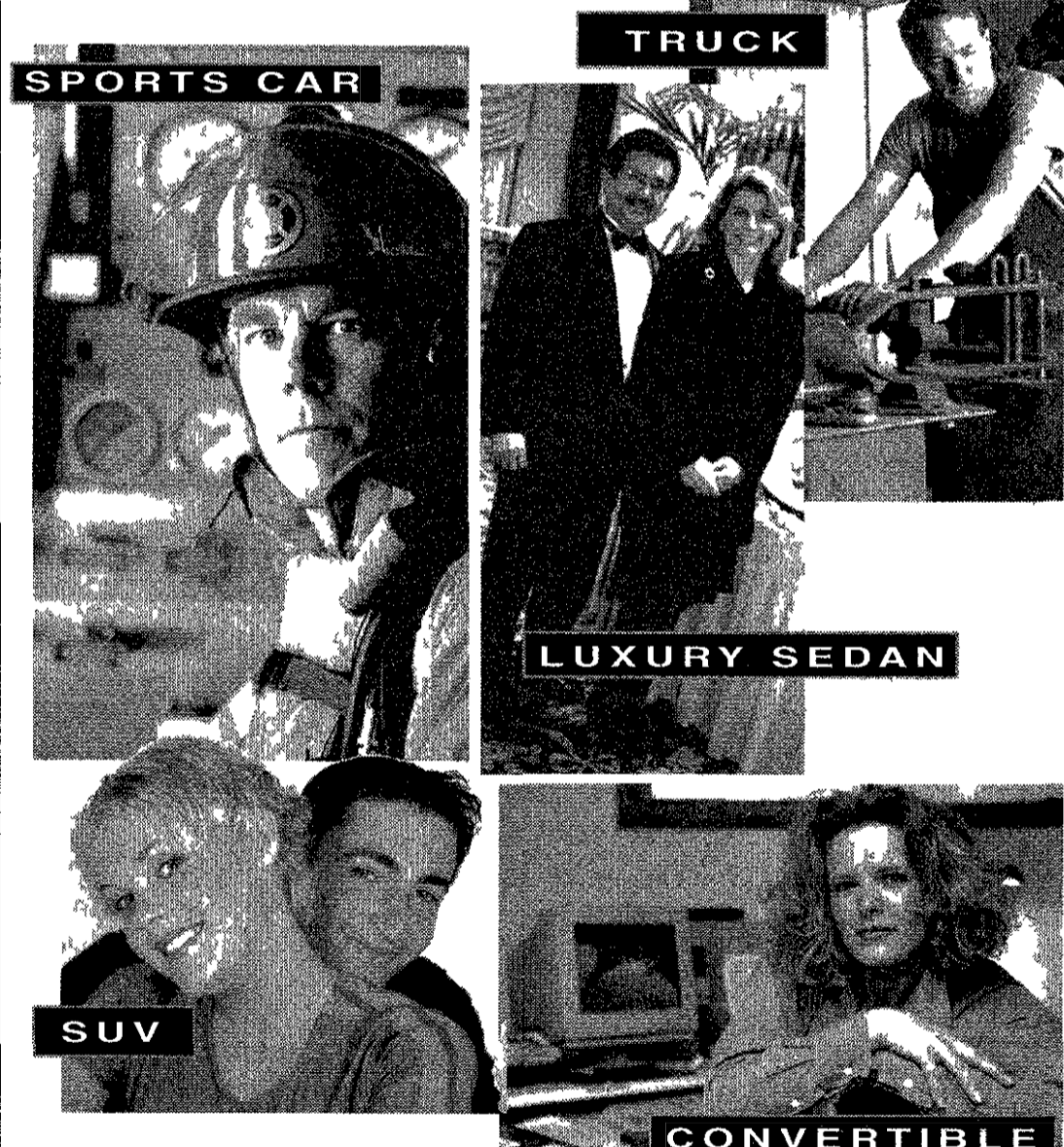
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AROUND TOWN

Entertainment books

The Plymouth Optimist Club is selling Entertainment 05 books for \$20 with all proceeds being used to help children in southeast Michigan. Coupons help save 50 percent on things you do every day. The books can be home delivered. For information or to order call Bill (734) 453-8253.

Animal Haunts

On Saturday October 30 from 6:00-9:00 pm the Leslie Science Center presents its annual Animal Haunts! Out on the trail we will visit costumed characters that will entertain and educate us with skits, stories and songs. Guided tours leave from the campfire every few minutes and are 40 minutes long. Also have fun making your way through our prairie maze (if you can't) playing games, jumping in the hay, painting your face and snacking on popcorn and swamp muck with stories and songs around a campfire. This program is NOT scary and is appropriate for all ages. Pre registration is not required but encouraged. The cost is \$6 per person \$25 per family all ages welcomed but an adult is required. Contact 997-1553 to register or for questions.

Halloween madness

This October enjoy an afternoon of Halloween Madness as Northville's Marquis Theatre presents a musical about some average fun loving creatures who live in an old castle with their servants and pets. Performance

dates are Oct 24 and Oct 31 at 2:30 p.m., Oct 30 at 11 a.m. and Oct 29 at 7 p.m. Tickets to all performances are \$7. For more information call (248) 349-8110.

Nursing refresher

Madonna University's College of Nursing and Health in conjunction with the College of Continuing and Professional Studies will offer a nursing refresher course this fall. Designed for registered nurses who want to return to active practice in a health care setting, the four-week course will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Room 118 in the DiPonio Building (36200 Schoolcraft Road) Nov. 1-4, Nov. 8-11 and Nov. 15-18. Participants may

earn up to 72 nursing contact hours. Registered nurses are asked to bring their license to the first class. To address the current nursing workforce shortage, some sponsoring agencies are providing preceptor clinical hours and will pay for the course in exchange for an employment commitment. For registration information, call (734) 482-5731 or fax (734) 432-5364.

Halloween alternative

Canton Christian Fellowship Church offers an alternative celebration to Halloween with its Hallelujah Festival from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday Oct. 27. The Hallelujah Festival takes place at 6500 Wayne Road in Westland. For more information call (734) 721-9322.

Grief support

New Hope Center for Grief Support is a Christian based bereavement out-reach and resource center located in Northville. Age appropriate groups for widows and widowers are provided in various locations in southeastern Michigan including groups for young widows and widowers and their children between the ages of 4 through the teen years. Groups for parents who have lost a child, adults who have lost a parent, pet loss, and other specialized groups are offered at various times of the year. All services for adults and children are offered at no cost to the participants. If you are grieving or know someone who is

please call our office at (248) 348-0115 for further information about services provided by New Hope Center for Grief Support or visit www.newhopecenter.net.

Women's Economic Club

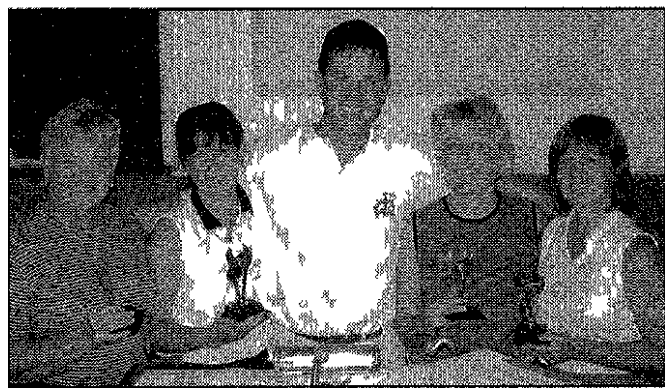
Cheri Booth Blair, wife of British Prime Minister Tony Blair, addresses the Women's Economic Club's noon luncheon Oct. 25 at the Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center. Blair is a prominent human rights attorney, author and mother. Tickets for the luncheon are \$45 for members, \$60 for guests. For more information or reservations visit the WEC Web site at www.womeneconomicclub.org or call (313) 578-3230.

Crafters wanted

Crafters are wanted for the 16th annual Arts and Crafts show sponsored by Sts. Peter & Paul Church, 750 N. Beech Daily Dearborn Heights. The show is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 20. For more information call Virginia (734) 522-9653 or Deb (248) 348-6823.

Fibromyalgia workshop

A local authority will appear at the Carl Sandburg Library in Livonia for a free workshop on Wednesday, Oct. 27 at 6:30 p.m. that reveals the truth behind what can be causing Fibromyalgia, which can be misdiagnosed and misunderstood. To register for the workshop call (248) 426-0201.



Big winners

Golfers Shirley Orolim (from left), Joan Jack, Caroline Mogan and Carol Clewley pose with emcee/auctioneer Eric Wilson. A local 4 meteorologist after winning the New Hope Center for Grief Support golf outing with an even par score. The event, held at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth Township, drew 144 golfers and raised more than \$23,000 for New Hope. The money was raised from the 18-hole scramble golf tournament and live and silent auctions. Wilson auctioned himself off, providing a behind-the-scenes tour of WDIV-TV-4 for the winners and friends.



DOROTHY ADAMS

Formerly of Westland passed away on 10/19/04 at the age of 88. She was survived by her sons Bill, Ron, Pat of Florida, Leland (Winnie) of Taylor and daughter Rosemary Schaffer. She will be missed by all of her grand and great grandchildren.

ESTHER LOUISE BLAKE HULSING

Died October 2nd, 2004 at the age of 89. Mrs. Hulsing was born in Grass Range, Montana on September 5th, 1915, the first of three children of Ruel Blake, a rancher and country official and Shirley Thompson Blake. She entered Montana State University at age 16 and earned a BS in biology at age 20. 18 months later she earned a MS in bacteriology from The Ohio State University. One day after receiving her master's degree, Esther Blake married Kenneth L. Hulsing, her partner in a chemistry lab at Montana State who had graduated from the University of Michigan. The new couple moved to Chicago where Mrs. Hulsing worked for the Chicago Board of Health and where her oldest daughter Ann was born in 1940. In 1942 the Hulsings moved to Plymouth, Michigan when Mr. Hulsing took a job with the Detroit Diesel division of General Motors. They made Plymouth their home for the next 59 years. Daughters Susan and Mary were born there in 1942 and 1944 respectively. In Plymouth, Esther Hulsing found her life's calling as a civic and community leader. Because of her daughters she became particularly involved in education and in the Girl Scouts. She began scouting for over 30 years, she began as a troop leader and ended by serving on the National Board. In recognition of her service to scouting, a troop house at Linden Girl Scout Camp was named in her honor. In education she served as a room mother and moved to the Plymouth School Board for 18 years, six of those as president of the board. As a tribute to their long service to the Plymouth district, the Ken and Esther Hulsing Elementary School was dedicated in 1976. This was the first school in the district named for someone other than a teacher or principal. Esther Hulsing also served on the committee that established Schoolcraft Community College in Livonia, Michigan. She later served on the board of governors of the college. Mrs. Hulsing's commitment to the community took her to leadership positions in other civic activities. A charter member of AAUW, she held many leadership positions in that organization. She was a strong supporter of the Plymouth Symphony and a founder of the Plymouth Community Arts Council. In addition, she was active in the League of Women Voters, Detroit Founders Society and worked tirelessly for St. John's Episcopal Church. In recognition of her work in conservation, Mrs. Hulsing was honored at the White House where President George H.W. Bush presented her with the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Award. Other civic awards included an Honorary Doctorate from Schoolcraft College, induction into the Plymouth Hall of Fame, recognition from Delta Kappa Gamma and recognition by the Association of Business and Profession Women and by the Michigan Department of Education. The Hulsings enjoyed socializing, vacationing and traveling with many wonderful friends in the community. They travelled extensively in the United States, Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and the Caribbean. In 1980 Mrs. Hulsing ran for and won election to the position of Plymouth Township Clerk. She served in that position for 14 years. She continued to work for civic causes in Plymouth, but increasingly her time and energy were devoted to caring for her husband whose health steadily deteriorated. In 1999, Esther Hulsing moved to Newton, Massachusetts to live with her daughter Ann. Ken, suffering from diabetes and Parkinson's disease, was placed in a nearby nursing home in Newton. In 2000, Esther lost her husband of 61 years. In 2002, she joined her daughter Mary in Beaverton, Oregon, moving eventually into adult foster care as she struggled with Alzheimer's disease. Mrs. Hulsing is survived by a sister, Mary Lodge of Longmont, CO, and by three daughters: Ann Hulsing of Newton, Massachusetts; Susan Hulsing Brownlee of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; and Mary Hulsing Fehrs of Aloha, Oregon. She is also survived by two granddaughters, four grandsons and five great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 on Saturday, February 19th, 2005 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth. Remembrances to Hulsing Fund, Plymouth Canton Community Schools, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan 48170.

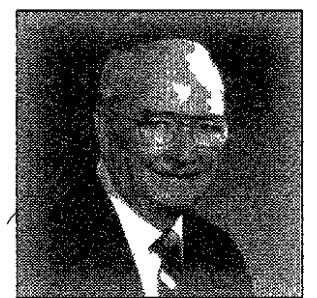


RUTH L. CHRISTENSEN

Age 89 of Plymouth died October 20, 2004. She was born Ruth L. Hargrave on May 29, 1915 to Walter and Lillian Hargrave in Worcester, Massachusetts. She moved to Detroit with her family at the age of eleven. She graduated from Pershing High School in Detroit in 1933. She married Harry J. Christensen in 1936 at Emmanuel Church in Detroit in 1933. She was a resident of Plymouth since 1940. Her son Raymond was born in 1947. She is survived by her loving granddaughters, Beckie (Jay) Thompson and Wendie (David) DeLano, and her daughter in law, Susan Christensen. She is preceded in death by her husband, Harry, her son, Raymond, and her brother, Alfred (Laydeen) Hargrave. Funeral services were held Friday at Schrader Howell Funeral Home, Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

VERONICA M. KOVACS

Age 86. Born August 3, 1918, died October 20, 2004. Loving mother of Paul Janus of Livonia. Dearest mother in law of Patricia Janus, Dear Grandmother of Thomas Janus. Memorial service will be held at a later date at Northwest Unitarian Church in Southfield.

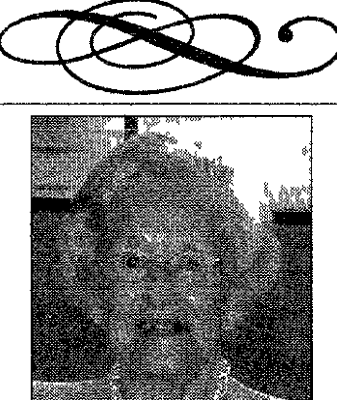


MAXWELL F. POWER

Maxwell Mickey Power died on October 13, 2004 at the age of 93 in Detroit, Michigan. He was born the son of Frederick and Ann (Forbis) Power on June 4, 1911 in Delhi, Ontario, Canada and was descended from several of the pioneer families of Ontario and early America. A successful entrepreneur in the amusements and music operations industry, Mickey was at his best in front of an audience and will be remembered by his friends, family and neighbors for his never-ending one-liners, storytelling and generally gregarious and engaging nature. He is survived by his beloved wife of 69 years, Grace (Waide) Power, two daughters, Carole (Haroune) Alameddine and Jill (Richard) Bergstrom, seven grandchildren, Richard (Susan) Alameddine and their children, Nicole and Mitchell, Nina (Robert) Merget and their children, Nicole and Max Jacob (Seham) Alameddine and their children, Armaan and Alaina, Michelle (Ronald) Rossio and their children, Cooper and Cole, Andrew (Christina) Bergstrom and their son, Jackson, James Bergstrom and Matthew (Amber) Bergstrom. Mickey Power's presence will be sadly missed by his many friends and neighbors who regularly came to visit at his homes in Farmington Hills, Michigan and on Lake St. Clair in Stoney Point, Ontario. A memorial service and burial will take place at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Redford, Michigan on Saturday, October 23rd, 2004. Memorials may be made to the Pediatric Research Fund (Ependymoma) at the University of Michigan, 301 East Liberty, Suite 300, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104.

DOUGLAS SWEDER

85 of Plymouth (formerly of Livonia) died on Tuesday, October 19, 2004. He was born in Detroit on December 14, 1918, a son to the late Homer and Tilly (Anderson) Sweder. He was employed as a tool & die maker. Surviving are his nephews and nieces, Herbert K. (Janet) Osterland of Livonia, John W. (Patricia) Osterland of Marine City, Art Jones of East China, Violet Pfaff of Cottleville and Edith Dewey of FL. Doug was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy (1994) and sisters, Corine C. Osterland, Esther Jones, Margaret Johnson and Ruth Lange. Graveside services will be held on Friday at 12 noon in Woodlawn Cemetery, Marine City. There will be no visiting or services in the funeral home. Arrangements were entrusted to the Bower Rose Funeral Home, Marine City.



MARGARET E. MAXON

(nee Horman) age 85 died at Mercy Bellbrook in Rochester Hills, October 20, 2004. Mrs. Maxon was born on October 11, 1919 in Detroit, Michigan. Mrs. Maxon graduated from Mary Grove College with a Bachelor's Degree in Science in 1941 and later attended Wayne State University earning a Degree in Education in 1961. Mrs. Maxon then went on to become an elementary school teacher in Berkeley and retired from the Birmingham Public Schools in 1983. Margaret was a member of several associations including Holy Name Church, Alpha Delta Kappa, Christ Child Society, Junior Women Association for the Detroit Symphony, Carmelite Auxiliary, Women's Village Club, former charter member of Birmingham Athletic Club. Mrs. Maxon was a volunteer at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac and The Birmingham Community House. Mrs. Maxon is survived by her daughters, Patricia (Robert) Buchanan, Peggy (David) Masson and Lisa (Patrick) Simmons, grandchildren, Matt, Lisa, Mark, Lindsay, Kelly, Ryan, Jamie, Christopher and Megan, sister Nancy Bahr. Mrs. Maxon is preceded in death by her brothers, Henry Horman Jr. and Robert Horman. Funeral was held from Holy Name Church, Birmingham, Friday (Oct. 22nd) interment at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Detroit. Memorial contributions to The Birmingham Community House, 380 South Bates St., Birmingham, Michigan 48009 appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors.

In Memory Of

PEGGY S. PEARCE

Of Birmingham, Veteran Lt. US Marine Corps, WWII. Dear mother of Clark G. Pearce and Colleen Pearce Payne. Sister of Joyce Bolton-Rodger, Barbara O'Neal and the late Jack Snelgrove. Grandmother of Ethan, Christopher & Hannah Payne and Caleb & Eli Pearce. Family will receive friends at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward Ave. (between 13 & 14 Mile), Sunday 4:00-6:00pm. Funeral service Monday 10:00am at Christ Church Cranbrook, Lone Pine west of Woodward, Bloomfield Hills. Visitation begins at church at 9:00am. Memorial tributes to The Village Women's Club Foundation, 190 E. Long Lake Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304. Obituary at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

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Its very Beethoven, not too fast, not too slow, she said. At first it looks easy, but takes a lot of technique and organization.

LSO President Tom Bjorklund is hoping students of Churchill High School will learn to love classical music as much as Pao once they've heard it. Since taking the helm a few months ago, he's tried to heighten awareness of the LSO in the community in order to expand audiences, especially young listeners. One of the challenges classical music continues to face is aging audiences.

Bjorklund knows Ukrainian soprano Oleksandra Hrabova is sure to draw members of the Ukrainian community, but Pao will attract youth.

I met with the Churchill High School principal to let students know about one of their own, Bjorklund said. Both soloists are going to be exciting. Having a Livonia Churchill prodigy will be great.

Yin-Fen Pao humbly acknowledges her daughter's talents. She believes the performance is not only an opportunity for the orchestra to showcase Pao's gift, but is rewarding for the young pianist as well.

Tiffany loves performing,' said Yin-Fen Pao, a librarian at Madonna University in Livonia.

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She has that charisma. This is a good opportunity to share her talents and love of music with the community, especially young people. It's an opportunity to perform with such a prestigious group. You don't know how much this is an incentive for Tiffany. Everybody needs incentive and encouragement.

Curtain time for the Oct. 30 concert is 7:30 p.m., with a pre-concert lecture at 7 p.m., at Churchill High School, 8900 Newburgh, north of Joy, Livonia.

Tickets are \$17, \$8 children and students, and are available by calling (734) 421-1111 or (734) 742-2153.

HIGHLIGHTS OF SEASON

In addition to Pao's performance, the LSO has an entire season of new and favorite music scheduled. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. with a 7 p.m. pre-

concert lecture at Churchill, except for the final program of the season at Ward Presbyterian Church.

■ **Holiday Fantasy** — Saturday, Dec. 4, featuring excerpts from the *Nutcracker* and music of the season with guest artists the Livonia Youth Choir.

■ **An Evening with the Classics** — Violinist Mark Schuppener, principal cellist Ju Cho Wang and pianist Anna Sorokhter perform Beethoven's Triple Concerto for Violin, Cello and Piano on Saturday, Jan. 22.

■ **Americana spotlights** music from American composers such as Leonard Bernstein, Samuel Barber and Aaron Copland on Saturday, Feb. 19. Livonia Mayor Jack Engbretson narrates Copland's *Lincoln Portrait*.

■ **Reverence and Reflections** closes the season Saturday, March 19, with a major choral work with the Chancel Choir at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Although not part of the regular season, not to be missed is a Nov. 19 fund-raiser at Laurel Manor in Livonia.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m. and a silent auction before the orchestra performs classics from some of the great films of all-time. Guest tenor is Robert Dills.

Tickets are \$50, and available by calling (734) 591-0266. ichomin@e.homecomm.net | (734) 953-2145

Tourism industry battles false perceptions of storm damage

BY BETH J. HARPAZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NEW YORK (AP) — Talk about an exclusive vacation.

When Ken and Linda Jordan of Rochester Hills, Mich., landed their single-engine plane on Cayman Brac on Oct. 1 for a week-long trip they'd planned months before, they were the first tourists to visit since Hurricane Ivan.

And as the sole guests at the Divi Tiara Beach Hotel, they enjoyed being spoiled by the staff and having use of a 40-foot dive boat all to themselves.

It's been wonderful, and the diving is excellent," said Ken Jordan as he and his wife sipped cocktails.

Cayman Brac and Little Cayman — the sister islands of Grand Cayman — were relatively unscathed by the storms that hit the Caribbean, Florida and other coastal areas in August and September.

But what the tourism industry throughout the region fears is that the vacationing public will have a hard time distinguishing between places that took direct hits from the storms — like Grand Cayman, where 70 percent of buildings were damaged

or Pensacola, Fla. — and places that are up and running, like Cayman Brac or Miami.

In the Caribbean, Grand Cayman and Grenada were hit hardest by the storms, but Grand Bahama, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic, St. Vincent and the Grenadines and Cuba also sustained damage of varying degrees. (Haiti suffered the worst effects but is not considered a major tourism destination.)

Elsewhere in the Caribbean, "the vast majority of destinations are ready today to welcome and pamper guests, said Karen Ford Warner of the Caribbean Tourism Organization.

Even in some places hit by storms, damage was spotty. For example, Hurricane Ivan damaged thousands of homes on the Jamaica's south coast but largely spared the northern tourist hubs of Montego Bay and Ocho Rios. A smattering of hotels in the resort towns of Negril and Treasure Beach received severe damage but are expected to reopen in a few months, said Godfrey Dyer, president of the Jamaica Hotel and Tourist Association.

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FLORIDA: Click on the interactive map at www.visitflorida.com for information on any area or call (800) 287-8598. Be wary of standard descriptions on Web sites or toll-free recordings many have not been updated since the storms. Speak to live operators at individual facilities.

CARIBBEAN: Links to Web sites for individual islands at www.dortcaribbean.org.

GULF SHORES, ALA. www.gulfshores.com or (800) 745-SAND. Songwriters festival Nov. 11. Spring bird banding April 2 to 16 (details at 205-681-2888).

ever, Dyer said. "The northern section where most of the hotels are was spared."

Andy Newman, who handles public relations for the Florida Keys, says he is fighting a huge misperception around the country that the Florida Keys were devastated when they are not. We have absolutely no lingering damage.

Many TV viewers saw footage of the Keys being evacuated, but they may not realize that the hurricanes ended up missing Key Largo, Key West and the rest of the primary island chain.

"With both the Caribbean and Florida, the way the news has reported it, it seems like, 'Stay away from the entire Caribbean and the entire state of Florida,'" said Francesca Bonavita, vice president for product and brand development at American Express.

Orlando, Miami, Fort Lauderdale, the Keys, Tampa, St. Pete, Clearwater, Amelia Island — those are all fine. People can book with confidence," she added.

"Our tourism is the industry that was most damaged, and not because of structural damage but because of perceptual damage," said Nicki Grossman, president of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau. No hotels are closed. No businesses were lost. We are absolutely unblemished. The beach had minimal erosion.

Because so many Americans have friends and family who have retired to Florida, some travelers may be basing their perceptions on reports from homeowners struggling to get repairs.

"The reason you're hearing conflicting reports is that there were residential areas that were severely damaged," said Danielle Courtenay with the Orlando area convention and visitors bureau. But while individuals may have to wait for contractors and insurance money, hotels and theme parks are "built to withstand the winds and they do have the crews to get things up and operating," Courtenay said.

"The theme parks — Disney, Universal Sea World, Discovery — were all open within a day of every storm," she added. "Are people still trying to get their roofs fixed in residential areas? Yes. But most of the areas where tourists are going, you could not tell there was a storm."

The St. Petersburg/Clearwater Convention & Visitors Bureau is so concerned about false impressions that it posted post-hurricane photos on the Web to prove its beaches were unaffected. (Press "Click here" at www.floridas-beach.com/news/StormInfo.aspx to see the pictures.)

The tourism industry's concerns about misperceptions are justified. One in five vacationers said they were less likely to visit Florida this year following the battering the state took from Charley. Frances, Ivan and Jeanne, according to a survey by Yesawich, Pepperdine, Brown & Russell. Asked to rate their perception of the damage, 38 percent of those surveyed said they believed the Florida Keys suffered "extreme damage," with 34 percent saying the Tampa/St. Petersburg area was hit hard and 27 percent saying so for Miami. Yet those areas received, at worst, minimal damage — barely anything compared to places that were truly hard-hit, such as Pensacola and other parts of the Panhandle, or the Punta Gorda-Port Charlotte region.

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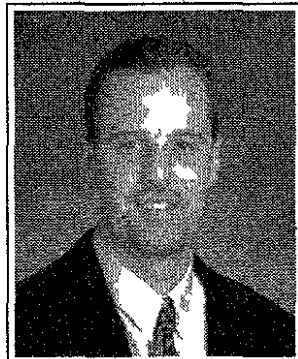
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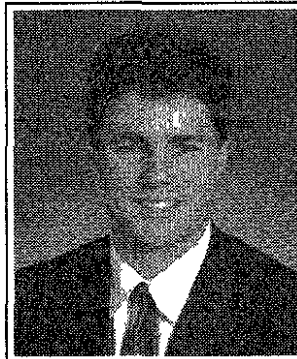
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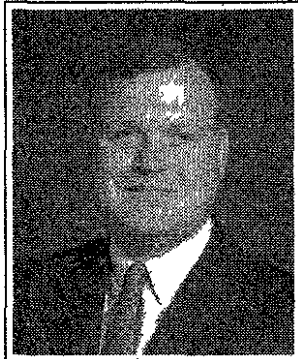
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Saving a marriage is hard work

Trevor and Shelby sat in the counselor's office with a look of hopelessness and desperation on their faces. They both stated on their intake forms that the last three years of their marriage were miserable. Trevor wrote that he is running from the marriage at this point, and Shelby stated that she is completely depressed. Both



Jacquie Martin-Downs

looked at the counselor expectantly, hoping he would have the magic bullet.

Dr. Timothy Clinton, in his book, *Before a Bad Goodbye*, says, "Pain closes the spirit." He refers to the pain caused by a rocky relationship that the spirit closes up. At that point, it is very hard to be objective about the partner. Anger erupts when we are in pain and, "nursed (anger) can turn quickly into resentment or bitterness." Repressed or suppressed, it leads to negative expressions like being impatient, overly critical or domineering. It can even cause deep depression.

Trevor admitted that he had been through every emotion. And now, the feeling of bitterness overwhelmed him. Shelby reported that she was tired of working on the relationship and had no more to give. Clinton points out in his book that the partner becomes the villain and their actions feel purposeful and hurtful to the relationship. Both Trevor and Shelby concurred. "I am so unhappy with her criticizing every little thing that I do, I find myself wanting to stay at work longer," said Trevor. "I have also found friend at work I can talk to, because she is having marital problems, too."

Outside influences creep into marriages where needs are unmet. Trevor was drifting in to two zones that would be very detrimental. First, the zone of workaholicism could become an addiction (a form of self-medicating) that he might have trouble getting out from underneath. Secondly, the potential escalation of his relationship with the woman at work would definitely impact the marriage. "You must not turn to the other woman at work for solace," the counselor commented. "It

could turn into a problem while you are trying to work through the various issues with your wife. Can you stop talking to her?" Trevor nodded, but not before Shelby chimed in with, "I haven't been happy about him talking to that woman since he told me. But I've given up arguing about it."

Clinton emphasizes that relationships can't be healed when there is a third party involved. He writes, "This doesn't mean the third party waits on the sidelines, preparing to jump into the ring at the end of the marriage's final round. It means the third party is history - no contact, no remembrances, no pictures, no old notes to read. A spouse doesn't stand a chance against such a person." He goes on to say, "The offended partner must realize. The third party is also a symptom of the problems in the marriage - it is the offending partner's attempt to have needs met that were not being met in the marriage."

Clinton's book goes on to give practical solutions to couples in floundering relationships. After he makes sure that both people are certain they want to work on the relationship, he asks them to call a truce and stop "lobbing shells at each other." He then asks them to reflect on what exactly sets each one off. Do you act out in anger? Shut down? Use sarcasm when your buttons are pushed? Belittle your partner? Manipulate the other person? Both parties must commit to changing their responses. After the "holes are plugged," Clinton has couples define the problem. When they get to the root cause, the couple may discover that they are both experiencing loneliness, a lack of tenderness, abandonment, fear and worry, lack of respect and pride issues that the other person may not even know about. Reconciliation can only come about when both partners are honestly involved in improving the relationship. As Dr. James Dobson said, "Married life offers no panacea - if it is going to reach its potential, it will require an all-out investment by both husband and wife."

Is it worth working on? You be the judge, but from the voice of experience, I'd say, yep.

Jacquie Martin-Downs is a child and adolescent therapist in private practice in Livonia.

Many mental health pros can help

Under the title of 'mental health professional' or 'psychotherapist,' there are, sometimes confusingly, many different types of professionals in the field. They differ in educational background, certification and licensure, and by title.

The following guide is offered to help clarify this.



Len McCulloch

Psychologists In Michigan one must be licensed to practice psychology. Some clinical psychologists have earned a doctorate degree and some have studied through graduate school and hold a master's degree. Either may have professional experience beyond the classroom to be very competent as psychotherapists.

Social Workers In Michigan, there is certification for social workers.

Typically, a social worker-psychotherapist has attained a master's degree from a graduate school of social work and has had experience in the specialty practice of psychotherapy.

Rehabilitation Specialists This category is relatively new and includes people who have graduated from a school of rehabilitation counseling. They typically work with persons with disabilities such as traumatic brain injuries and occupational injuries.

Psychiatrists These are medical physicians who have specialized in the treatment of mental illness, typically with medications. Some go beyond the biological treatment of patients and also get further training in psychotherapy.

Psychoanalysts These have much advanced training in psychotherapy and psychoanalysis. This course of study and practice

used to be limited to medical physicians only. Now mental health professionals from psychology, social work, and counseling can also undertake psychoanalytic training.

Certified Counselors These may specialize in substance abuse counseling, gambling counseling, grief counseling, and school counseling.

In Michigan we now have certification in each of these disciplines. This certification conveys to the public that these individuals have achieved standards of competency to offer service within their scope of practice.

Finally, there is **Diplomate Status**.

A diplomat is a professional from any of the above fields who has been evaluated by an objective board of their peers and has attained significant distinction in training, education, professionalism and contribution to their field, as compared to the general population of practitioners.

HOW TO CHOOSE

A good place to start is with your family doctor or clergy. They should know competent mental health practitioners with experience in your type of problem. When this is not available, a referral from a trusted friend who has had a good experience with a therapist is a way to go.

Finally, the resources below provide good starting points. Individuals listed with these referral services have typically demonstrated competency within the field so as to be included in the agency's membership.

Keep in mind that it is not necessarily the academic background or the professional title that identifies a competent psychotherapist that will be a good match for you. I advise people to make an im-

mental consultation appointment only. Use this session as an opportunity to present your concern, ask about the therapist's experience with your type of problem, ask what treatment method he/she would consider. Ask if he/she has an orientation or theory that explains how they practice. Ask how long they have been practicing psychotherapy. Be more concerned with the person-to-person understanding you feel during the consultation. Do you feel you're being listened to? Does the therapist convey optimism, patience and a genuine attempt to try to understand your situation? Has he/she been in educational or personal therapy themselves?

When Freud was asked what mental health was, his answer was more or less: a relatively healthy balance in the areas of work and love.

EMOTIONAL MATURITY

Meninger, another pioneer in the field of mental health, lists these criteria of emotional maturity: the capacity to adapt to change, a relative freedom from the symptoms of anxiety and depression, the capacity to find more satisfaction in giving than receiving, the capacity to relate to other people with mutual satisfaction and helpfulness, and the capacity to love.

Mental health is never complete. In reality, it seems to be a relative experience that exists on a continuum.

Len McCulloch is a Diplomat of the American Psychotherapy Association and board certified in trauma. He is a certified brain injury specialist and a certified addictions counselor. He is director of psychological services at Broe Rehabilitation Services, Inc. in Farmington Hills (248) 474-BROE.



Richard McDowell, former president of Schoolcraft College, received the Sister Mary Modesta Leadership Award at the Circle of Hope Gala Oct. 15.

Sister Mary Modesta Awards presented Oct. 15

Richard McDowell, president emeritus of Schoolcraft College, graciously accepted the Sister Mary Modesta Leadership Award at the Circle of Hope Gala at Laurel Manor Special Event Center Oct. 15.

The award was established in 2003 by St. Mary Mercy Hospital to recognize community leaders.

Tom Celani, president of Hearts of Livonia, was also a recipient but could not attend the Gala to benefit Cancer Services and the building of a Cancer Center at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia.

Hearts of Livonia, a fundraising organization since 1977, has contributed more than \$1.1 million to the hospital.

Established in 2003, the award was named in honor of Sister Modesta for her dedication and passionate commitment to the hospital and community throughout the year.

A Felician nun for more than 50 years, Sister Modesta, since 1959, has directed the hospital laboratory, served as president and CEO and today leads the Palliative Care Program for terminally ill patients and their families.

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Take It From Ernie

Ernie Harwell

Don't fall into trap of late eating

All of us face the temptation of late-night eating. It's late, the TV's on, and you find yourself munching on something. Before you know it, you've eaten too many chips or

All of us face the temptation.

cookies

When I'd talk to big league umpires, they'd tell me that their biggest temptation was going out after games, having a drink or two, and eating a big meal. They knew it wasn't good for them, but it was awfully hard for them to avoid.

The truth of the matter is that when you're eating late, you're probably adding extra calories that you don't need. And that means you'll gain weight.

Next time you're hungry at night, try to hold off eating until the morning. If you can't wait, try eating a low-calorie snack like a piece of fruit. That way, when you're hungry in the morning, you can have a big healthy breakfast to get you going and you'll have the whole day to burn it off.

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 and Blue Care Network, 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 bookstores or by calling (800) 245-5082.

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Cars top a long list of dangers for trick or treaters

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

Excited kids and moving cars can be a deadly combination any time of year but especially on Halloween, a holiday when numbers of both increase on the streets.

While Dr. Marie Lozon's sons Aidan, 11, and Sean, 14, are collecting candy from door to door, she will be waiting to treat little and big goblins in the emergency room at University of Michigan Hospital. She doesn't look forward to seeing children who've tangled with cars. Even children accompanied by parents are at risk because they can dart into a roadway in an instant.

"Every family needs to have a little pre-Halloween talk about traffic rules," said Dr. Marie Lozon, director of pediatric emergency services at U-M Hospital in Ann Arbor. School age kids 6 to 9 can run fast but turn off their brains sometimes and dart out in traffic. They do not follow the rules of the road, dart out between parked cars, do not pay attention to traffic patterns. Remind them to look both ways. Motor vehicle hazards are probably one of the more deadly outcomes.

The worst thing is when there's an accident involving a little pedestrian that darted out into the street and gets hit by a car. That's a horrible thing to happen. If you're driving on Halloween, drive extra slow. If your teenager's leaving for a party, he's excited, say that extra bit of caution tonight. In my neighborhood vans drive children from house to house. Be aware of other traffic. If you're stopping, make sure kids aren't running around the car.

Good advice for little and big trick or treaters is to wear a costume that can be seen in the dark by a driver. Add reflective tape or elements to darker materials. Older children should carry a flashlight, younger ones can hang a glow-in-the-dark chemical

stuck on a bracelet or chain.

Kids want to wear costumes that look cool," said Lozon. They might make them (cap or pants) too long. Check how they're able to walk because they frequently break out into a run when they get excited.

"If wearing a mask, check the ability to see. Lots of people are switching over to wigs and safe paint. For those who insist on masks, check on visual obstruction. Can it be modified? Sometimes you have to can the mask even if it means being seen as a mean parent.

Face paint is not a safe alternative for all children. Some can have color additives that cause rashes or an allergic reaction. Read the label to make sure it's FDA approved. For more information on additives and safety tips for Halloween, visit www.fda.gov.

"It's usually OK but for kids with eczema they might want to be careful using face paint," said Lozon. Don't put it near their eyes, and remove it with what package instructions say to remove it before they go to bed.

Lozon says most parents use common sense to prepare their kids for trick or treating by making sure there are no loose strings around their necks before they go out the door. During trick or treating they avoid especially scary decorations because they realize it's hard for a preschool child to decipher between fantasy and reality when confronted by loud ghosts and goblins.

Most of the injuries we see are from running around," said Lozon. "You fall and break your teeth, lacerate your face, fall and bonk your head. Another danger is slippery leaves on people's lawns. Be a good neighbor. Trim back low hanging branches, rake up leaves. I make sure there's no lawn equipment, baseball bats, soccer balls on my lawn. Many people place solar powered lights along the walkway and fluorescent items to light up their path.

Be aware of pet safety. If a pet is kind of a big excitable dog, think how he will react with these little kids com-



ing to the door. It's as much for the kids safety as the dogs.

Lozon offers a long list of tips for parents to make sure their kids stay safe this Halloween. Proper footwear insures they won't fall and end up in the ER with lacerations, bumps, bruises, and broken bones. Limit the number of items they carry. An older kid can handle a pillow case, not a 2-3 year old. Provide them with a lightweight bucket. Make sure they have one hand free.

As a physician, Lozon is less concerned with tampered candy than a child choking on candy. Go through your child's candy. Do not give toddlers or pre-schoolers jaw breakers and hard candies. At her house Lozon keeps candy in separate bowls - one to pass out to big kids, one for little kids that includes Teddy Grahams or little

fish crackers. While trick or treating don't allow kids to unwrap candy and then run around with it in their mouth.

The only thing that is going to make them sick is if they eat too much chocolate because it can irritate the lining of the stomach, and it has a little bit of caffeine but most kids stop before they get sick.

While Lozon says tampered candy is an unusual occurrence and she's much more likely to be sewing up somebody's chin, "check to see if it looks homemade. She still thinks there are nice grandmothers out there making nice treats but they should only be consumed if made by a neighbor parents know well. If uncertain, throw it away. For fresh fruit look to

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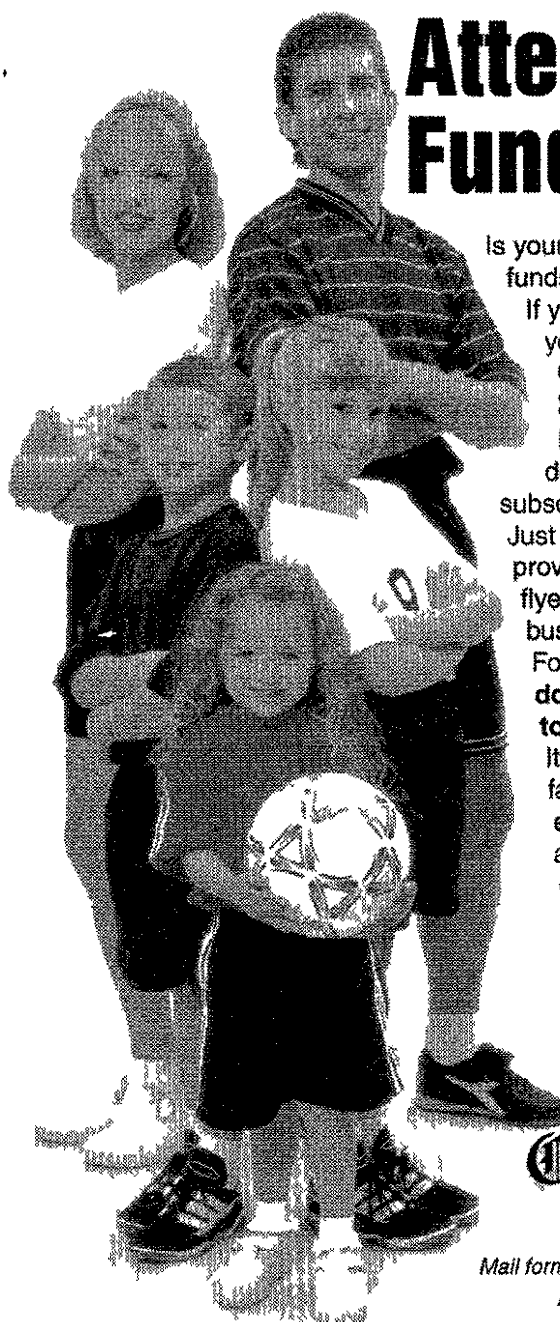


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To raise awareness for Mignonne Legel Anti Nausea Research 12:30 p.m. Sunday Oct. 24 the event is free \$100 will be awarded to the shooter who gets the one shot closest to the pin. \$100 will also go to the putter who puts one nearest the cup at Bushwood Golf Club on Haggerty between Five and Six Mile Clubs and balls provided. Register on site or call Bob at (734) 591-6845 or Pete (734) 420-3200. Mignonne Legel recently died of bone cancer and suffered intolerable nausea up until her death.

Kids and Chiropractic

A workshop for parents whose children suffer from health problems such as asthma/allergies colic ear infections ADD/HD and bedwetting 7 p.m. Monday Oct. 25 at the Plymouth Library 223 Main Street. This workshop with Dr. Alex Tomko, owner of Michigan Specific Chiropractic, will discuss the role of the nervous system and its importance on health and well-being of children as well as adults. For more information or to reserve a seat call (734) 416-2442.

Divorce support

The Women's Resource Center at Schoolcraft College offers a free Divorce Support Group 7-9 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 26 in Room 225 of the McDowell Center on campus 18600 Haggerty between Six Mile 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.

Cooking classes

Presented by the University of Michigan Health System at the East Ann Arbor Health Center Demonstration Kitchen classes include vegan meals 6-8 p.m. Wednesday Oct. 27 simple meals for one or two, happy healthy holidays fish dishes fast recipes eating to stop Hypertension super

soups and salads for all seasons. Pre registration required for all classes. Cost is \$30-\$50 for two. Discounts available when registering for three or more regular classes. To register call MFit at (734) 975-4387 Ext. 236 or sign up online at www.med.umich.edu/mfit/nutrition.

Self help groups

Local church provides space for self help groups. Overeaters Anonymous a 12 step program for eating disorders meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Alcoholics Anonymous a 12 step program for alcohol related problems meets 8 p.m. Wednesdays and 7 p.m. Saturdays. Sex and Love Addicts Anonymous a 12 step program for co dependency and destructive relationship problems meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays at First Baptist Church 300 Willets one block north of Maple one block west of Old Woodward. Parking adjacent to church's north entrance.

Red Cross safety courses

Began Sept. 17 and include CPR/first aid with AED (automated external defibrillation) Infant/Child CPR CPR/AED review for professional rescuers CPR review for individuals with current CPR certificates nurse assistant training and baby sitter training at the Livonia Service Center 36650 Five Mile call (734) 542-0442 or visit www.semredcross.org and Bloomfield Service Center 2388 Franklin Road call (248) 322-2500.

Research volunteers needed

Healthy individuals age 12 and older with seasonal late summer allergy symptoms (stuffy or runny nose sneezing itchy eyes nose or throat or watery or red eyes) are needed for a research study at the Michigan Respiratory Health and Research Institute in Novi. Individuals who qualify receive study related office visits limited testing and investigational medications at no charge and compensation. For more information call Julie at (248) 473-6400 or (800) 326-5959.

Physicians discuss bioterrorism

The Annual Scientific Meeting of the Michigan Occupational and Environmental Medicine Association (MOEMA) was held Sept. 23-25 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Dearborn. This event was co-sponsored by the American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine (ACOEM), the national body representing this specialty of medicine.

The conference covered a variety of topics with an emphasis on Emergency Preparedness among the Healthcare and Public Health community in the State of Michigan, with speakers from the Michigan Department of Community Health, the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and Region 2 South of the Biodefense Network. Region 2 South represents 4 counties - Livingston, Washtenaw, Wayne and Monroe, representing 2.6 million people. The Medical Bio-Defense Network is a

statewide group representing all public health departments and all hospitals in the State of Michigan with a number of Bioterrorism Coordinators, Medical Directors, Emergency Preparedness Coordinators, Epidemiologists, and a Strategic National Stockpile Planner assigned to each region.

Dr. George Metropoulos, MOEMA president 2003-04, who chaired this year's conference, also serves as chairman of the Education Committee of Region 2 South's Bio-Defense Network. He said that "training our doctors to detect early signs and symptoms, or sentinel events, of bioterrorism the patients they see is invaluable in protecting the rest of the community and in informing authorities of possible ter-

rorist activities or emerging diseases in our community."

Further conferences will continue to train this specialty group of physicians in medical bio-defense and other related topics.

The next MOEMA Annual Scientific Meeting will be held at the James B. Henry Center for Executive Development, Michigan State University Campus in Lansing Sept. 22 and 23, 2005. Dr. Cheryl Sulisz, MOEMA's newly elected president for 2004-05, will chair the 2005 Annual Conference. For further information about attending the 2005 Conference and about membership in MOEMA and ACOEM, call the MOEMA Specialty Group at (313) 874-1360 or visit the Web site at www.moema.org.

Tips from experts prevent damage to teeth, health

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

While candy might not top the list of dangers on Halloween, it still can wreak havoc with health and teeth. Sheryl Gentner, a registered dietitian at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn, recommends parents set guidelines for kids - no more than two full-size candy bars per day for middle school-age children, younger children, one to two miniature pieces - in addition to eating a healthy diet of fruits, vegetables, whole grains and dairy. "Miniatures are a good idea so portion sizes are controlled," said Gentner, a Westland resident. "Candy can be part of a healthy diet. Parents should set good examples by not overeating the candy either. We know kids are going to have an excess amount of candy at this time but a couple days or a week of candy isn't going to cause problems. Gentner suggests passing out nontraditional foods such as trail mix, nuts, raisins, dried

fruits, apples, juice boxes, snack-size graham or peanut butter crackers, and nonfood items such as pencils, stickers, and pens for writing.

If your kids do receive candy, encourage them to brush their teeth with fluoride toothpaste after eating.

"What happens is when people eat candy it's the sugar that mixes with the plaque that causes cavities. The longer sugar stays on the teeth the more acid it causes," said Dr. Jay Nitzkin, a dentist at Livonia Dental Care. "Candies like caramel, anything sticky like \$100,000 bars, tend to stack in the grooves of teeth and linger on the teeth. Regular chocolates are a lot better because they melt in the mouth. Even something as healthy as raisins tend to be bad for teeth. It's sticky, sugary foods that are a real danger."

So what can kids and adults do if they don't have a toothbrush available to clean away all of those bad treats? Let's face it, the adults will probably eat as much candy as the kids

this Halloween. Nitzkin looks forward to raiding the candy of his children, Jacob, 7, and Ari, 4, after they go to bed. He suggests if a toothbrush isn't available to eat vegetables such as carrots as a way of removing caramel or sticky candy. But nothing beats brushing. He recommends that everyone use a two-minute timer to brush morning and night to remove plaque.

"Rinse your mouth with water. Swish it around the mouth to dilute the acid," said Nitzkin. "Chewing sugarless gum helps promote saliva which dilutes the acid. That's why four out of five dentists recommend chewing gum like Trident. I don't know what happened to the fifth dentist."

Nitzkin doesn't lose his sense of humor at this time of year because he knows the holiday is short-lived. He's more concerned about teens drinking too much soda.

I see teens coming in with terrible cavities, fillings destroyed," said Nitzkin. "I'd rather see them drink bottled

water with caffeine. Even juice is really bad for the teeth.

There are two problems with soda. It's very acidic. Mountain Dew and Coke not only have the sugar mixing with plaque causing acid, but the acid mixing with acid."

Parents need to check their children's teeth from time to time no matter what their age. Every so often, Nitzkin has his 7-year old use disclosing tablets that turn red to reveal plaque. Available in dentists' office, Nitzkin also carries the disclosing tablets and can be reached at (734) 427-7555.

"Parents need to look at their kids' teeth," said Nitzkin. "If they see light or dark brown spots, they should contact their dentist. If there are cavities it's better to have them taken care of earlier. They especially occur on the chewing surfaces of the back teeth. It's sometimes difficult to remove plaque out of the back teeth."

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see it if it's been pierced." "At my house I suggest they have two or three pieces and then they can have more for later. Spread it out over the next several weeks," said Lozon. Some are saying they're not giving anything out

with nuts because of allergies. Try to give out a plainer kind of candy, a plain chocolate bar. Parents of kids with allergies should look out for disclaimers that say 'may contain nut products.' I hate to see kids with a nut allergy throw out their candy."

Lozon wants to make sure that kids do their part to have a Happy Halloween as well

"Have fun and be safe," said Lozon. "I think about young teens going out by themselves. Make sure they're following the rules of the road. If supervising a young sibling make sure they understand their responsibility. Don't tease dogs. Be polite. Say thank you and please, and don't interfere with anybody's decorations and jack o' lanterns."

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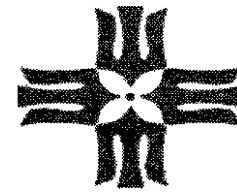
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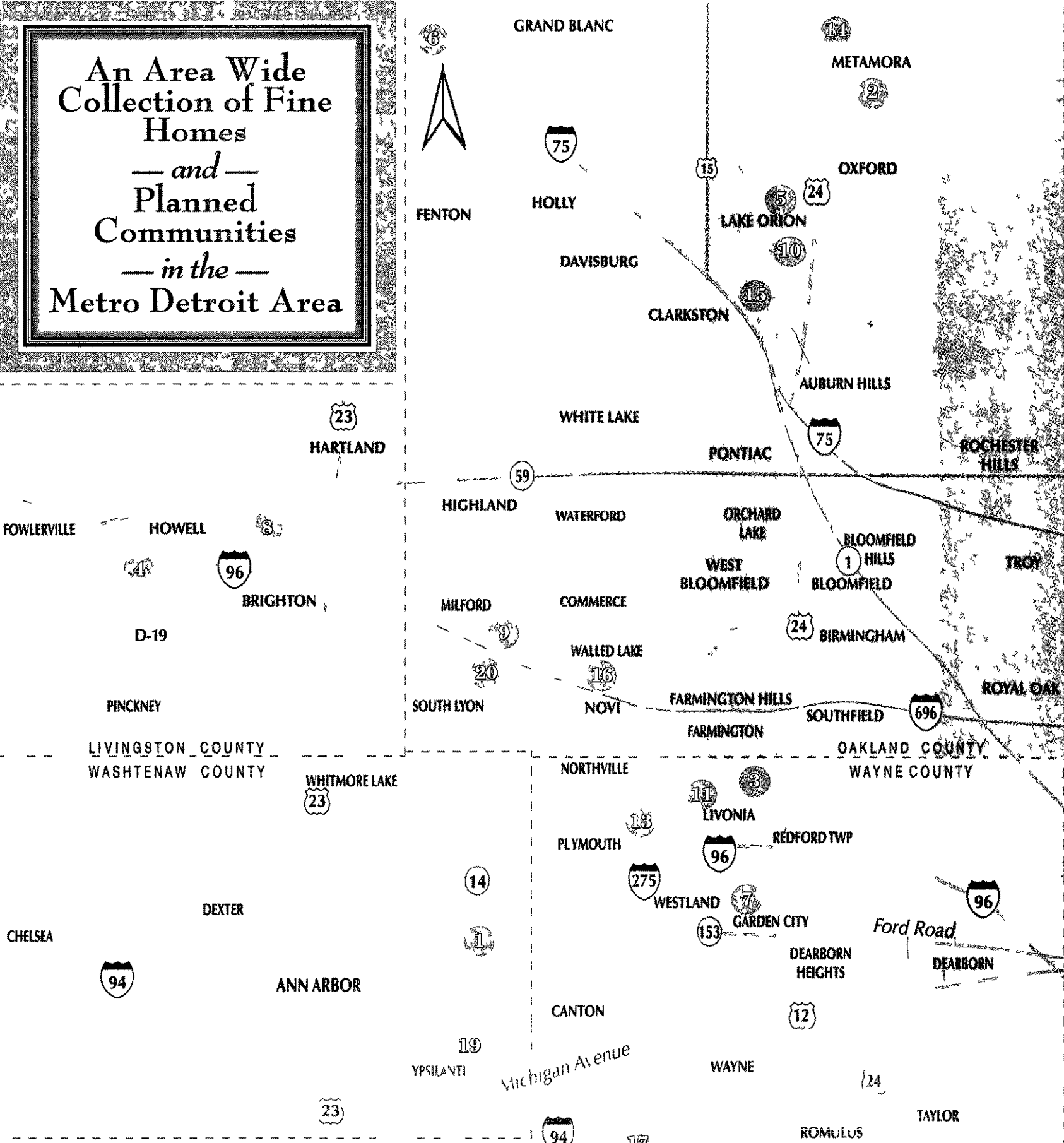


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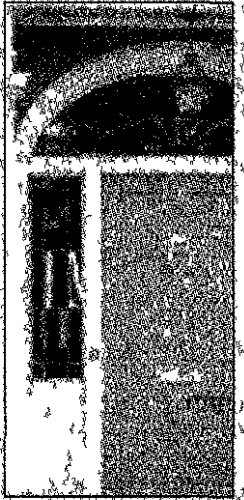
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Wineman & Komer Building Co., Curtis Building Co. (2004 Builder of the Year), and Millcreek Building Co., three of Michigan's top builders and developers of residential and commercial properties, present their new model homes at the Northville Hills Golf Club East.

Prospective homeowners are presented with numerous options plus the opportunity to make modifications during the design process.

Within the gently rolling hills and wooded park preserves of Northville Hills are nestled an 18-hole championship golf course designed by Arnold Palmer and an extensive Community Building featuring a swimming pool and fitness center. Dense stands of trees and nature trails throughout the community are visited often by a variety of wildlife, including deer. The community is also home to Millennium Park, a public park donated by the developers, which features tennis courts and a sports field.

The east phase in particular offers magnificent single-family homes nestled in a serene setting, with many wooded, walkouts and cul-de-sac homesites surrounded by manicured open space and natural woodlands.

"Northville Hills continues to attract families and others seeking a community

with outstanding golf and recreational opportunities, quality housing and the excellent Northville school system," said Richard Komer of Wineman & Komer Building Co.

Perfectly positioned between Northville and Plymouth, Northville Hills Golf Club offers close proximity to two of southeast Michigan's most enchanting downtown areas, each featuring an array of unique dining, shopping and cultural attractions. Nearby M-14, I-96 and I-275 provide easy access to Ann Arbor, Detroit and the region's most important commercial and employment centers. Children attend Northville schools, including the neighboring brand new state-of-the-art high school.

A variety of home plans are available including one-and-a-half story models with the master suite on the main floor. Three bedrooms, and two-and-a-half baths is included on most plans with optional fourth bedroom and third full bath available. Soaring ceilings, large windows, fireplace, spacious kitchens with breakfast nooks and a three car side entry garage is always included.

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a-half baths, family rooms, parlors, dens, gourmet kitchens and bright breakfast rooms, large windows, and fireplace.

Northville Hills Golf Club East is on the east side of Sheldon Road, between Five Mile and Six Mile in Northville. Models start at \$549,900. For more

information, call Curtis Building Co., (734) 667-3400, www.curtisbuilding.com, Wineman & Komer Building Co., (734) 667-3400, www.wineman-komer.com, or Millcreek Building Co., (734) 667-3400, www.millcreekbuilding.com.

Tips for buying a home in a golf course community

Want to find a home on a golf course? Check out Golf Course Home, www.golfcoursehome.net. You'll find information on amenities, golf courses, homes, golf home and lot prices, along with photos and hotlinks to the communities.

Here are some tips for buying a home in a golf course community from Florida Realtor Steve Schoepfer.

■ Know your reason for buying - There are many reasons to buy in a golf course community. Whether you're an avid or occasional golfer, looking for investment property or simply a home with great views and resale potential, knowing your motivation will help narrow the

field.

■ Know the type of golf membership you want - Different communities offer different types of golf memberships. To find one that fits your needs, ask yourself what kind of golf you like to play and be honest.

■ Know the style of home you want. Most of the golf communities offer a variety of home styles: estate homes, detached villas, attached villas, coach/carriage homes or condominiums.

■ Know your lifestyle amenities. What amenities besides golf interest you? Golf communities offer a wide assortment including lighted tennis courts, Olympic-sized, heated swim-

ming pools, exercise and fitness centers, spas with fitness training, massage, etc., social activities.

Here's more advice on Golf Home Buying from David Lott, editor/publisher, GolfCourseHome.net.

■ Create your best-case scenario - Draft in your mind and on paper the ideal home, including the locale, amenities, golf course quality and difficulty, location, weather, atmosphere, social programs, and anything else that you think would affect your happiness at your new community. Then go out and look for it.

■ Use the inside sales team - Why? Because you get in on all the deals.

■ Consider the resale value - Don't go for the best deal, go for the home or lot that will sell quickly when it comes time to either move up or out. Basically, on the green means in the green.

■ Eliminate the ultimate surprise - "You have to take a close look at the dues structure," said Mike Norton, marketing director at Uwharrie Point, a golf community 60 minutes west of Pinehurst, NC. "Ask the developer, Are these realistic numbers? Are they going to support the club when the developer sells out and the members become responsible for running the club?" Norton also says you should look into the developer's background. Examine track

record and reputation as well as the continuing health of other communities after he or she has sold out and moved on to other projects.

■ Ask about the Homeowners' Association - If you're looking at an equity club, find out if the developer is propping up the HOA financially. Some developers support the HOA while in selling mode, then pull the plug when they leave. The result? Huge and unexpected increases in HOA fees. And if you're the last in, the financial squeeze could threaten your financial stability.

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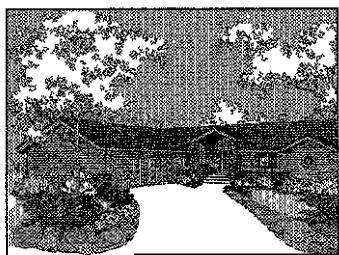
A colonial styled arch with pillars form the covered porch of the Reed. It is a focal point for the facade of this beautiful home. Brick trim as well as an octagonal window add accents to the look and make the Reed prominent from the street.

Two long windows flank the front door as one enters the Reed. To the right of the entry is an alcove and to the left is a hallway that leads to the bedrooms. The enormous great room spreads itself surrounded with windows and a sliding glass door off the dining area. The openness of this room invites guests and family alike to enter and relax.

The kitchen, in the shape a large "C" is open to the great room with an eating bar facing the dining room. A corner walk-in pantry adds definition to the open room. Along the kitchen wall in the hall is a long linen closet. Opposite the linen closet is the utility room with its washer/dryer, sink, and a freezer tucked back out of the way. A door opens into the two-car garage where the forced air unit and water heater are located.

Bedrooms two and three both have wall closets and windows that brighten the rooms with sunlight. The full bathroom adjacent to bedroom 2 has a tub and a single sink.

On the right side of the Reed is the master



with 'his and her' sinks opposite. Behind a pocket door is the tub, linen closet, and the toilet. If the long wall closet does not appeal to you, there is an alternate bathroom layout. It would have the dual sinks on the right side, a walk-in closet on the left and the balance of the bathroom the same.

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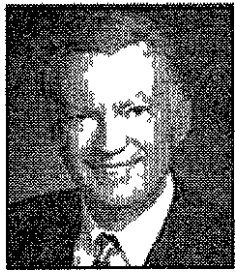
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The 6 BR 3.2 BA colonal features outstanding floor plan MBR suite w/sting room bath and spa Hardwood floors custom moldings gourmet kitchen and 4+ car garage Birmingham Schools
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NOVI Entertain Indoors & Out
Pride in ownership Custom kit & hearth room stainless appliances Brick paver patio (3) electric awning Pool putting green Huge DR FF gas generator well for swim 3.5 car Heated garage Extra wide driveway
(B37HAZ) 248 349 5600 \$624,900



TROY Elegant Two story
4 bedroom 2.5 baths library DR FF 3 car 2 car garage & b ck paver patio Sp nders a m system & intercom T/O MBR w bath & WIC Secluded wooded area of Troy
(B91TRE) 248 524 1600 \$474,500



OAKLAND TWP Split Level
Split level on wooded lot in secluded sub 1st floor master suite 3 BRs w/private BA D amatic 2 sto y foyer & GR w/FP many custom featu es inc granite custom cabs crown mold ng wainscotng & na cwood
(B82WOO) 248 652 8000 \$710,000



DETROIT Detroit Golf Club Finest
English Tudor 5 bedrooms 5 baths 3 lavatories located on the golf course Updated kitchen marble foyer slate roof profess landscaped La ge LR formal dining bay 2 FRs 4 frlps fin bsmt FF mud m
(B15HAM) 248 626 8800 \$810,000



NOVI Beautiful Custom
Private estate home on approx 1 acre w/custom amenities T/O Extensive use of marble 7 BRs 5 full baths 2 half baths and 2 MBR stees Fin LL walkout w/2nd kit 18 ac e commons & small lake Must see!!
(B22VAS) 248 642 8100 \$999,000



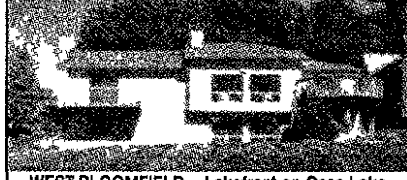
NORTHVILLE City Ranch
Sprawling ranch built into a hill to facilitate a wonderful W/O Custom amenities include natural stone fireplace a ge Gourmet kit hardwood floors Wrap around deck w/patio Sunroom and much Much more
(B45POT) 248 349 5600 \$549,000



ROCHESTER HILLS New Construction
2 story w/4 bedrooms 2.5 baths walk out bsmt wooded lot & upgrades thruout 3 fireplaces MBR w th Jacuzzi tub & walk n c ossets Gourmet kitchen w th built in app ances
(B17GRA) 248 524 1600 \$474,900



ROCHESTER HILLS Custom Colonial
on private lot w/4 bedrooms 4.1 baths 3 ca garage granite counters ceramic spacious study w/French doors 2 staircases bay windows bute s pantry & stone patio 7rm ums thruout
(B81CRE) 248 652 8000 \$864,900



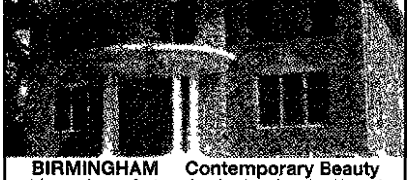
WEST BLOOMFIELD Lakefront on Cass Lake
4 BR ranch w/la the extras & fabuous view of Cass Lake Beaut ful home on a sports Lake Must see Great for entertain ng ent y leve has open floor pan 3 car ga cat ceilings & sky ghts W5 oomf eld Schoo s
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BIRMINGHAM New Construction
On a emier street High quality w/attent on to deta 4 BR 4.1 BA butler area 2 frps and home theatre Jack and J1 bath 5th BR and bath n LL Sky ghts kitchen w/s and fo mal DR and master suite to die for
(B20PLE) 248 642 8100 \$899,900



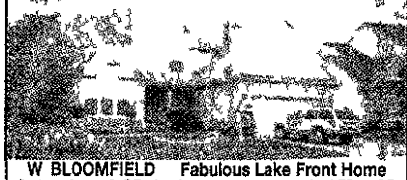
NOVI Elegant Custom Cape Cod
A grand entry greets you w/travertine flooring circular staircase cherry cabinets and granite T/O stainless steel Appliances an impressive fin W/O LL w/full kitchen No expense was spared A defin ita must see
(B84ROB) 248-349 5600 \$849,900



BIRMINGHAM Contemporary Beauty
w/class c lines 2 story fu b ck colonial w/dramatic pillared ent ance Bu t n 2001 on a quiet n town street Dramatic entrance Braz ilian chert y wood floor s custom kitchen Rich y appointed
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ROCHESTER New Build
Four bedroom county F ench home on approx mately 1 acre n downtown ea ea Wa k out lowe eve f rst floor master bedroom custom kitchen w/granite counters hardwood floo s Qua lly mate ia and workmanp
(B28CAS) 248 652 8000 \$699,000



W BLOOMFIELD Fabulous Lake Front Home
2 story foyer & GR 1st floor master suite dual FP n GR & kitchen Also uty beautiful landscap brick patio house s su rounded w/brick s dewalk & deck F nished w/ kout basement w/bedroom BA and sauna
(B87ROS) 248 626 8800 \$519,000



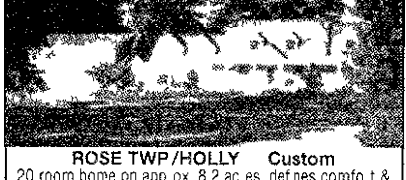
BIRMINGHAM Fabulous
New (04) construction n the heart of downtown Th s home features 3 bedrooms 2.1 baths hardwood floors T/O open floor plan 9 ceilings stunn ng kit & MBR suite w spa like bath Heated garage w/bonus rm more
(B49ANN) 248 642 8100 \$769,000



NOVI Stunning Colonial 4 BR, 2+2 BA
home situated on a cul de sac backing to private woods hilly & ravine Year round sunroom w/4 doorways White bay sand k1 Master suite w/jetted tub & fantast chm LL w/wet bar & loads of storage
(B52WES) 248 349 5600 \$849,900



ROCHESTER Top quality
T O th s 3 1/2 yea od custom g ea com anc 3 bed rooms 2 full & 2 half baths Fin shed day gnt basement w/wet ba paves & p ofess ona landscap ng ls and kitchen w an to pantry 2 v ay FP
(B40BLO) 248 524 1600 \$415,000



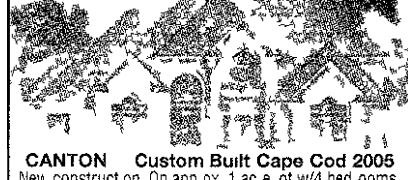
ROSE TWP/HOLLY Custom
20 room home on app ox 3.2 ac es defines comfo t & luxury 5 bedrooms 7 1/2 baths 2 on p o ge 20 ac es 80 deep spa no n et sike heated ban to ha o s ho ses welcome Ca to make you aptt oday
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West Bloomfield No Earthly Reason
To accept 2nd best when you can own a 4 BR 3 fu 2 half BA contemp on Dr ma wooded cu de sac 3 ca car f r to no windows soaring path chngs n LR 2 sto y cing n foye ext ecessed ghtng vo Cntr s and n kt
(B40SWA) 248 626 8800 \$629,900



BLOOMFIELD TWP Approx 2 Acres
4 bedroom 3 bath an h W no Lake p v enovated n 98 neut nite o LR DR w covered ce lings & marble f pce white kit b kst a ea g an e p o e c rnk ng FR 2 1/2 paver patio & g gazebo F n bsmt w trp c
(B00IND) 248 642 8100 \$729,000



CANTON Custom Built Cape Cod 2005
New construct on On app ox 1 ac e ot w/4 bed ooms 3 1/2 baths 4 ca attached garage 2 story foye formal dining room hearth room off garge k tner breakfast nook a bad ooms w/W C full basement
(B52ROL) 734 455 5600 \$787,500



ROCHESTER HILLS Spectacular 5 Bedroom
3 1/2 bath home w/beaut ful view of the C nton R v FR w/cathedral ce ng & wet ba Hardwood floors a ge walk out basement sauna 3 ca ga age & mult evel deck w/hot tub
(B10QUA) 248 524 1600 \$479,900



COMMERCE Artist At Work
Approx 850 ft of waterfront peninsula priv DR in this 4 BR 3.5 BA master ece f n shed w/out custom deta eld thru out Hard to f nd beauty & tangulity n t h s intimate setting Lower Straits Teasau
(B05COM) 248 363 1200 \$974,900



MILFORD Welcome to Royalty
Th s home has it all s te on a wooded 3.83 acres lot 2 sto y foye & GR w/2 beaut ful sp a staircases FF MBR 4 add BR on 2 fr w/Jack & J bas 2 study rms f n WO bsmt w kt l b toy m spared no expense
(B56TAL) 248 626 8800 \$1,999,000



BLOOMFIELD HILLS Extensively Remodeled
4 bedroom 3 1/2 bath colonal Updated kitchen w/maple cabinets and SS app ances Great MBR suite w/his and her WC and p vate ba cony First floor laundry fin bsmt Never roof w ndows Bloom His Schls
(B40WOO) 248 642 8100 \$629,000



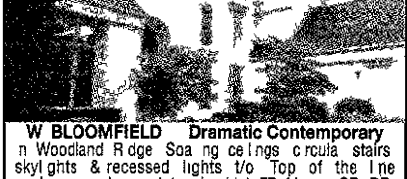
CANTON Oversized Interior Lot
Offers this 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonal Great architectural des gn w/open floor plan w/soaring ceilings hardwood floors & spacious rooms Gourmet kitchen w/maple cabs opens to FR + 3 car att gar bsmt
(B01FLU) 734 455 5600 \$489,900



SHELBY TWP Four Bedroom
Bonus room colonial w/3 1/2 baths 4 fireplaces & daylight basement Custom kitchen w/granite ceramic floor & butlers party Hardwood floors n formal Dr library & foyer Elegant MBR w/2 WICs
(B15HAW) 248 524 1600 \$569,000



BRIGHTON Oak Pointe Golf Front
Great opportunity w/stately 5 bedroom 5 1/2 bath home w/5 fireplaces Entry leve master w/sting com & fireplace finished walkout w/2nd kitchen bed oom b1 a d & family room P vate treed setting
(B99SAI) 248-363-1200 \$799,900



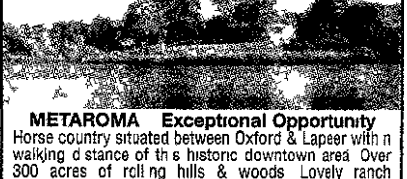
W BLOOMFIELD Dramatic Contemporary
n Woodland Ridge Soa ng ceilings c rcula stairs skylghts & recessed lights t/o Top of the line appliances n huge white sand kt FR library GR DR professionally f n shed over level terrfic master suite
(B97TOR) 248 626 8800 \$509,000



BIRMINGHAM Updated
3 BR 2 1/2 BA home located on a quiet corner lot m Pop pton LR w/vaulted ce ngs lib w/w/evs of deck yard & hot tub Updated kitchen w/Coran counters sky ght & FR w/rp/c w ne coo r & access to deck
(B80SHE) 248 642 8100 \$529,000



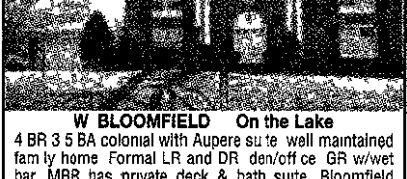
PLYMOUTH This Home is Wonderful
Gorgeous 4 bedroom 2 1/2 bath colonal Great architectural des gn w/open floor plan w/soaring ceilings hardwood floors & spacious rooms Gourmet kitchen w/maple cabs opens to FR + 3 car att gar bsmt
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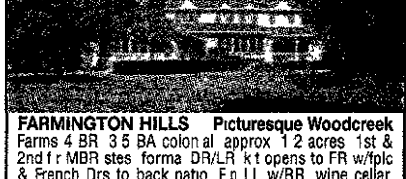
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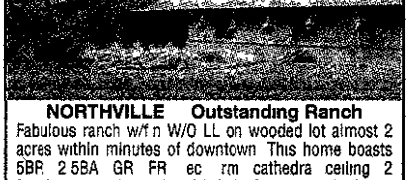
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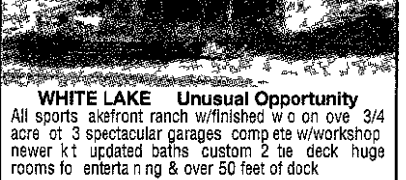
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The Ethics Of Ghostwriting And Its Alternative



WORKWISE
by Mildred L. Culp

About a year ago, I called a prominent, nope, famous author of a business book that has been discussed in every column about job hunting except mine. You have heard of it and may have read one of its many editions. I was stunned to hear that he wanted me to interview someone else, a man whose name never appeared on the cover of his acclaimed book "He knows the book inside and out," the supposed author said.

"But I wanted to interview the author," I responded. Then I realized the book was ghostwritten.

'FALSE ADVERTISING'
Is this an unusual case? One long-time publicist was telling me about another famous businessperson, whose name you also know and whose books make him appear prolific. That publicist knows the name of the ghostwriter. No author, either.

A former employee of a large publishing house who requested anonymity reports that she worked on a book involving multiple freelance writers or editors. The book went to schoolboards, appearing to be "written by two highly acclaimed academics. While they supplied broad oversight, they did not write any parts of the book.

"Isn't that false advertising?" she asks. "It's a huge disservice to the freelancers who write for these programs, their hard

work goes completely unrecognized." She also points out that many write incomplete, inaccurate books because of weaknesses in subject matter.

'NO PROBLEM'
Many ghostwriters view the situation differently. To them, there's no ethical dilemma. They're enthused about their work.

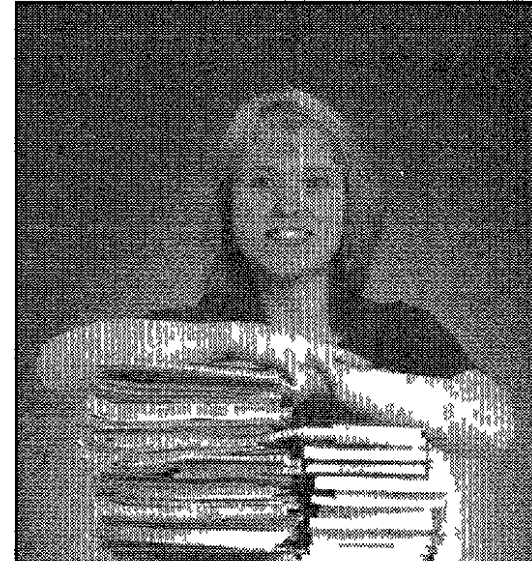
Dawn Josephson of Cameo Publications L.L.C., in Hilton Head Island, S.C., says that approximately half of the 20 largely business books she's ghostwritten have been published by leading publishing houses. She's been hired by "high-ranking political attorneys, professors from 'top ten' universities and colleges, CEOs and executives of major corporations and (credentialed) professional speakers." Josephson maintains that, typically, difficulties organizing and expressing ideas in book form prevent some experts from creating the product they want. "Since all (of) the ideas presented in the book are indeed those of the bylined author," she adds, "it is completely ethical for this process to occur."

David Kohn of Deerfield Beach, Fla., explains that experts without ghostwriters wouldn't be heard. "Many of them can't write," he states, "but they have a point of view to express, a story to tell, or information to share. I'm proud of what I do and I feel privileged to do it." He's ghostwritten four books in as many fields: memoir, medicine, money and business. Three were published by adjudicated (not vanity) publishers. BJ Gallagher of Peacock Productions

in Los Angeles has ghostwritten one book and written 10 others, the latter published at prominent houses. The "ghostbook" was self-published by the CEO who hired her. She equates the process with "politicians and executives having professional speech writers craft their speeches, corporate managers asking underlings to write memos and reports for them, and professors asking graduate students to do research and write papers under the professor's name." The problem here is that professors are now beginning to give credit to their students in papers to which they've contributed. There is growing recognition that the person who does the work, even if only some of it, deserves credit.

Gallagher justifies the practice this way: "The writer gets paid, and the expert gets acclaim (and money) for his or her thoughts and concepts. As long as both parties enter into such an agreement willingly, and the writer understands that he/she will not receive public credit (but will receive some form of compensation), then it seems just like any other hired labor. Writing is a technical skill and there are many terrific writers out there ready, willing, and eager to earn a living helping others look good by doing their writing for them. As long as there is no deception or fraud concerning compensation or credit, then ghostwriting is just fine."

The point remains that writing is not simply a technical exercise of collecting ideas in written form. It's a performance, also. Lip-synching to another's voice is



Dawn Josephson of Cameo Publications L.L.C. in Hilton Head Island, S.C., has ghostwritten over 20 business books.

considered fraud. Receiving applause for someone else's words is not?

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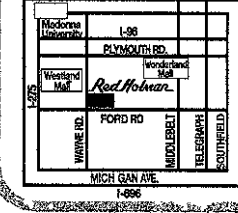
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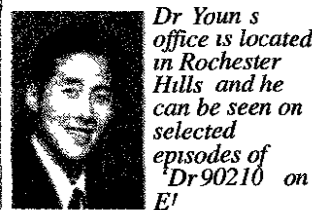
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LIVONIA — In honor of Jazzercise, Inc.'s 35th anniversary, local Jazzercise instructor Danielle Piergentili is offering free classes for new customers Oct. 25-30 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 34567 W Seven Mile, Livonia.

Piergentili has been a Jazzercise instructor for four years and opened the Livonia location at the start of 2004.

"Lots of fitness programs come and go, but Jazzercise has been around for 35 years and is still going strong," says Piergentili. "We're excited to offer a free week of classes and hope this will entice people who are not currently exercising to give it a try."

Founded in 1969 by professional dancer Judi Sheppard Missett, the Jazzercise dance fitness program has grown from a one-woman operation to an international franchise business with 5,800 instructors teaching 20,000 classes weekly in the U.S. and more than 30 countries.

With current statistics showing that 60 percent of the American population is overweight or obese, Jazzercise encourages people to join the fitness bandwagon.

"It's important to make the effort to include some kind of physical exercise into our daily lives — and so we encourage those who are already active to stay active, and invite those who aren't to start today," Missett says.

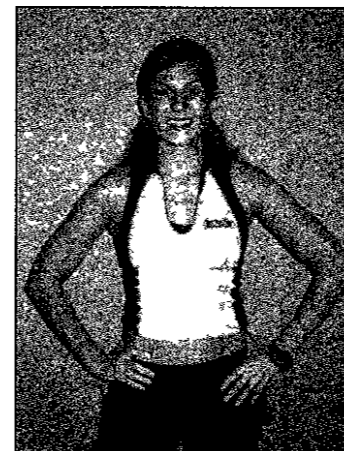
Jazzercise is the world's leading dance-fitness program, designed to enhance cardiovascular endurance, strength and flexibility. For more information about the free classes, contact Danielle Piergentili at 734-762-1662. For worldwide class information, go to www.jazzercise.com or call 1-800-FIT-IS-IT.

Simply Shopping makes browsing a blast

TROY — Spending a day at the mall is simply divine during "Simply Shopping," an annual event organized by the Troy Chamber and sponsored by Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C., and Standard Federal Bank.

Professional business-women and self-professed shopaholics will charge the Somerset Collection 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4 for a full day of fun and networking.

Attendees can start the day by donating used business attire to "Dress for Success," a program that provides interview appropriate suits to low-income women seeking employ-



Want to look like Danielle Piergentili? Try her free Jazzercise classes this week!

ment, 8-9 a.m. in the Saks Fifth Avenue north parking lot.

After donating, it's time to replenish the wardrobe, and shopping is made scrumptious with free valet and breakfast from Saks, coffee and chocolates at Godiva Chocolatier, lunch at the Nordstrom Cafe and a wrap-up party at McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant with prizes & hors d'oeuvres. Other treats include a free gift and e-bar drink from Nordstrom, a complimentary Simply Shopping bag, free gift-wrapping courtesy of Somerset Collection, well-guarded purchase retrieval, and plenty of special discounts and presentations throughout the day.

As a special bonus, guests will also enjoy an exclusive presentation by Laura Mercier National Makeup Artist Tabaya Jafr, featuring the newest in makeup and skincare, fragrance, and bath and body products, with tips on holiday gift ideas.

Renowned celebrity makeup artist Laura Mercier will also make a rare personal appearance at Saks Fifth Avenue. For an additional \$50 pre-payment, completely redeemable in Laura Mercier products, shoppers can enjoy a professional makeup application by a National Makeup Artist, followed by a personal consultation with Laura Mercier.

Cost for the event is \$50 per shopper for Troy Chamber members and guests. To register, call Sandy Bera at 248-641-0031 or e-mail sandy@troychamber.com by Nov. 2. Call 248-614-3364 to book an appointment with Laura Mercier.

40x40 exhibit features women artists

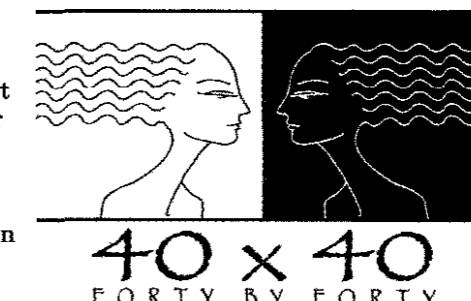
DETROIT — We missed the grand opening of the 40x40 exhibit on Oct. 15, but there's still plenty of time to catch the artwork.

The exhibit features mixed-media self-portraits by Detroit women artists over 40, and will be on display at the Historic Gem and Century Theatres in Detroit through Feb. 15.

Proceeds from sales of the pieces benefit the artists and the Women4Women Foundation.

The list of exhibitors reads like a who's who of artists from throughout the state. Their work encompassing diverse styles and mediums with a feminine edge. Artists include Charmaine Kaptur of Grosse Pointe, Dee Trainor of Beverly Hills, Barbara Keidan of Beverly Hills, Nancy Owen of Livonia, Patty Eisenbraun of Bloomfield Hills, S. Kay Young of Madison Heights, Lily Dudgeon of Dearborn Heights, Lynn Arbor of Pleasant Ridge, Karen Katamick of Southfield, Margie Guyot of Farmington Hills, Ellen Stern of Farmington Hills, Elizabeth Crank of West Bloomfield, Carolynne Miller of West Bloomfield and many others.

The Historic Gem Theatre is located at 333 Madison Ave. at Brush, in downtown Detroit. The exhibit is open 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Tues.-Sat., 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday. For more information, visit www.gemtheatre.com.



girl talk

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A job traditionally done by a woman, or a field that is dominated by women.



On the Cover

In anticipation for the upcoming Bloomfield Hills Antique Jewelry and Vintage Apparel Show, PINK took to the halls of the beautiful Fisher Building in Detroit with some vintage fashion finds. See page 7-9 for more.

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style calendar

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Meet Dana Buchman and experience her fall and holiday collections at a benefit for Cranbrook House and Gardens Oct 28 at Saks Fifth Ave., Somerset Buchman will appear at a private benefactor reception 11 a.m. - noon in the Designer Salon Friends and benefactors may enjoy a noon luncheon and 1 p.m. fashion show, after which Buchman will greet guests from 2-3 p.m. Tickets, \$50 friend, \$175 benefactor, also include general admission to "Holiday Tables" at Cranbrook House Nov 19-21 248-645-3149

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Tommy Bahama Hurricane Help

Tommy Bahama will host a Hurricane Happy Hour to benefit the Red Cross Florida hurricane relief fund, 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct 28, with 10 percent of the entire day's sales donated to the cause. There will be nibbles and drinks, a steel drum performer, and door prizes. Tommy Bahama, Somerset South, Troy 248 283-1886



Post events relating to style, including trunk shows, grand openings, fashion shows and gift-with-purchase promotions to PINK's Style Calendar. E-mail pink@homecomm.net fax 248 901 2553 or mail information to Pink The Observer Offices 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150

Aries: (March 21-April 20)

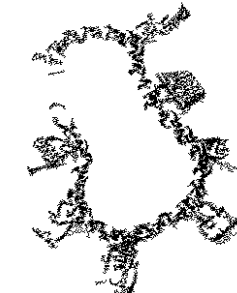
Diamonds are a girl's best friend, and in your case, also the stone of your sign. We all love luxury, however this isn't the week to break the bank. Maybe it is best to start small with a pair of studs (real or faux). Either will leave you feeling like the princess you are!

Taurus: (April 20-May 21)

Is someone feeling a bit flirty this week? Go ahead and work that charm, you never know where it might lead. Give a pair of dangling earrings a whirl with a soft up 'do to highlight your fun-loving attitude. Happiness figures strongly toward the end of your week.

Gemini: (May 22-June 21)

Someone will offer up some advice too good to pass up. Maybe even a style tip or two? Make sure you take it all into consideration, however let a sense of personality blend into whatever you wear. Stick with classic jewelry (1 e silver) in unique designs that fit you, Gemini



Silver Brighton handbag bracelet has tons of charm for Libra. \$40 @ nordstrom.com

Cancer: (June 22-July 23)

Feeling the urge to socialize, but finding a lack of events amongst your circle of friends? Take the initiative and throw a dinner party yourself. Your sign's stone, pearls, would make a lovely accessory for your debut as hostess of the year. You'll be the belle of your own ball, Cancer.

Leo: (July 24-Aug 23)

Why is it everyone keeps trying to steal your spotlight? This week, you'll shine on your own. Highlight that luminous glow that your wit, intelligence and natural beauty cast with a piece of gold near your face. Either a pair of dazzling earrings or a long necklace will do just fine.

Virgo: (Aug 24-Sept 23)

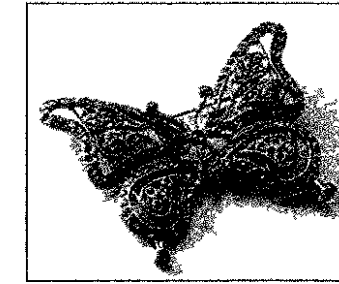
By mid week the travel bug will have bitten you. Feel free to book that trip you've been yearning for. In the meantime, satisfy yourself with a carved cuff or stone piece from a far away place. It will serve as a daily reminder of all that is waiting to be explored.

style scope

Be-Jeweled!

Libra: (Sept 24-Oct 23)

With so many memories and important people in your life, it's hard to keep track of every event. Let a charm bracelet serve as a little piece of history as well as a fabulous fall accessory. Sentimental Libra will find joy in each charm and the story behind it.



Vintage inspired butterfly brooch appeals to the nostalgic side of Aquarius. \$50 @ nordstrom.com

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Scorpio: (Oct 24-Nov 22)

Romance is a key factor in the week ahead. Could this be it? Have you finally found the one? A ruby — Scorpio's stone — is both red and very romantic. No need to wear your heart on your sleeve with a love-inspired ruby rock on your finger.

Sagittarius: (Nov 23-Dec 21)

Over the next few days, make time to tackle your "to-do" list. You've over looked so many little things that need to be done for far too long. Your jewelry will benefit from an overdue cleaning. You'll realize how many amazing pieces you forgot you even had.

Capricorn: (Dec 22-Jan 20)

Embrace your creative side this week. Read a book, take a walk, or take up a hobby. Making jewelry is very rewarding. You'll be amazed at how talented you really are at creating great one-of-a-kind pieces.

Aquarius: (Jan 21-Feb 19)

Don't spend a single penny this week if you can avoid it. Revamp an old brooch you've been hiding away by wearing it on denim or

tweed. Who said things had to be brand new to be a new trend? Have fun with it, Aquarius.

Pisces: (Feb 20-March 20)

You've been helping everyone else, why not do something for yourself this week? Treat yourself to a piece in your sign's color — purple. It doesn't have to be flashy (or real for that matter) just something shiny and special to remind you of all the good you do.

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(Top) Nursing students Katia Aziz and Cally Brindley model outfits provided by Cache

(Bottom) Nursing student Christi Sam and pre nursing student Vanessa Page wear clothing from Elisabeth

Fashion show for 'Simulated' Man

ROCHESTER — What better combination is there than fashion from Somerset and a Simulated Man? Oakland University's School of Nursing combined both during a recent fund raiser at Andiamo's Restaurant in Warren

OU hosted a dinner and fashion show Oct 6 at Andiamo's restaurant in Warren to help with the cost of a Universal Patient Simulator known as the Laerdal SimMan — a new teaching tool that allows students the realistic practice of skills such as chest tube monitoring, injections and wound care management

But the students took a break from the serious SimMan demonstrations to have some fun strutting their stuff in fashions from stores at the Somerset Collection. Their efforts raised more than \$14,500 toward SimMan



PHOTO COURTESY OAKLAND UNIVERSITY
Senior nursing students Jennifer Stanis and Jessica Weimann wear attire from Eddie Bauer

pink carpet

By Wendy White PINK

Key to the Cure' Kick-off at the Corner

TROY — This past weekend, you probably saw some women wearing Marc Jacobs' fabulously comfy pink ribbon T-shirt around town. No doubt they were involved in the Saks Fifth Avenue Key to the Cure Charity Shopping Weekend

For the fifth year in a row, Saks Fifth Avenue Somerset donated 2 percent of an entire weekend's sales to the Josephine Ford Cancer Center. From Oct. 13-17, Key to the Cure events also included a kick off party at the Corner Bar featuring the debut of Yves Saint Laurent's "Cinema" fragrance, a book signing by Linda Solomon and Jill Rappaport for *People We Know*, *Horses They Love*, and a Beauty Breakfast full of pampering and treats. If you missed the fun, you can still pick up one of the adorable, long sleeved Marc Jacobs event Ts for \$35

So far, Key to the Cure has raised more than \$220,000 for the JFCC and all of its cancer care sites, including the future West Bloomfield Breast Care and Wellness Center

Figures from this year's event, which was chaired by Terry Rakolta and Eileen Rakolta Kiriluk, have not yet been tallied



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Also at The Corner (From left) Alia Dietz of Bloomfield Hills a member of the Key to the Cure Host Committee, Eileen Rakolta Kiriluk of Bloomfield Hills, Key to the Cure event chair Jill Menuck of Birmingham and Lisa Menuck of Birmingham a member of the Key to the Cure Host Committee

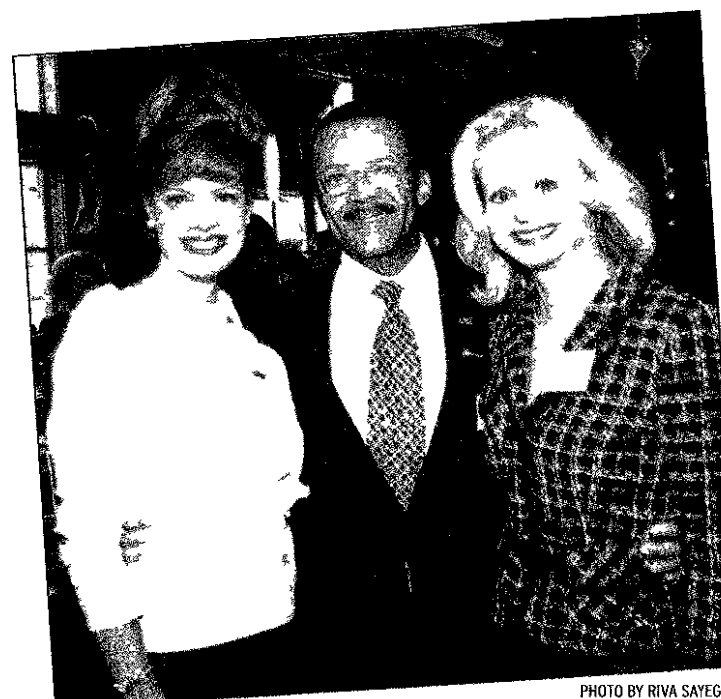



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The Corner became ever more classy when this trio arrived. Robert Chapman, M.D., interim director of the Josephine Ford Cancer center with Saks Fashion Director Cheryl Hall Lindsay (left) and Saks General Manager Kim Nye




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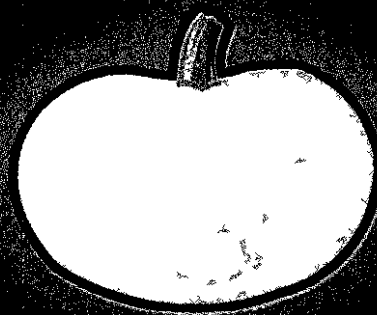
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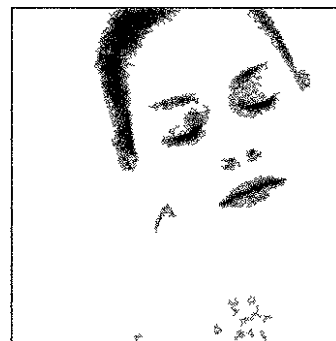
tried 'n' true

By k

Celebrate the season with masks of beauty

That better time to talk about the best in face masks than Halloween? Of course, I am not talking about the scary plastic kind to cover your gorgeous face, I mean the kind that help reveal an even better looking face! No denying, masks are the rescue remedies of the cosmetics world. They are effective, relaxing and can be done while multitasking manicure touch-

ups, journal writing and catching up on TiVo! Here are a few stand-outs to keep on hand as different complexion issues present themselves daily. First start with the omni-wise Grandmother of masks — Z Bigatti's Re-Restoration Impact Mask



(\$129) This one is pricey, but delivers amazingly dramatic results to whip skin into shape in 10 minutes flat. This divine wonder does it all from softening fine lines to minimizing pore size through exfoliation and gentle clarification.

If hydration is what you crave, get Clarins Hydra-Care Mask (\$31.50). This rich and creamy mask pumps skin with moisture faster than you can say "water with lemon, please" — leaving a radiant, healthy complexion. Hydra-Care is the perfect pick-me-up to get you through the long, dry months

ahead. Try Boscia Clarifying Detox Mask (\$20) when you need an intense, but gentle deep cleaning. This pale green clay mask uses the ultimate in impurity erradicators to clear, refine and renew skin without overstripping or drying. Use once a week to keep those pores clear and oil-free.

Finally, get Dior's Capture R-Lisse Smooth-Away 5 minute Wrinkle Treatment (\$39) when your best face forward is absolutely non-negotiable. Use immediately before your moisturizer (skipping any serum underneath) to literally create a smooth, radiant finish that is award-speech ready. Find these must-haves for your skin care arsenal at Sephora, Parisian and Marshall Fields.


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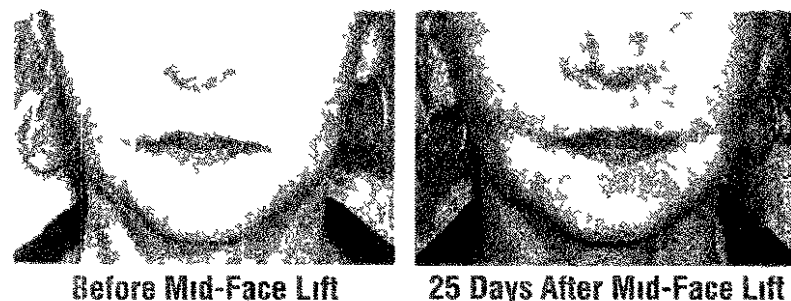
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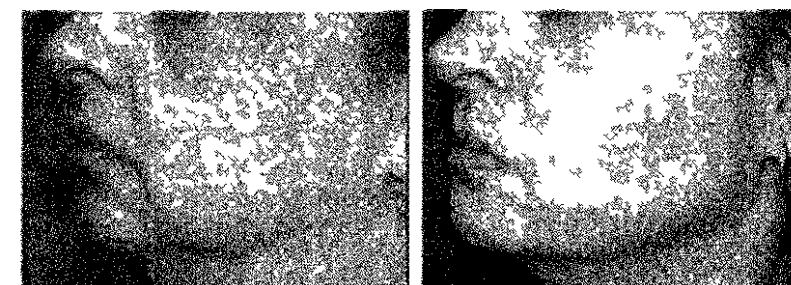
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etiquette for the modern girl

By Wensdy White **PINK**

Purchasing Power

The modern woman is able to purchase many luxuries for herself. Never assume a nice car, jewelry or home was purchased for her.

When offering a compliment on an item, do not follow up by asking how much it cost. This holds true even with the closest of friends.

It is never appropriate to boast about how much — nor is it recommended to divulge how little — something cost you.

It is not becoming to volunteer that you purchased something used, on sale, second hand or bargain basement. Keep everyone wondering how you manage to stay so fabulous.

pink picks

High cuffed pants over tall boots



Dwell on the FINE Living Channel

Chunky heeled, rubber soled loafers



Little Earthquakes A Novel by Jennifer Weiner



Leather biker muni hobo by Gap

The Ray Soundtrack by Ray Charles

Saying coasters by Kate Spade Home

Bedford Street pumps in turquoise by Anthropologie



Vegan raspberry tart with mango sorbet from Inn Season

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Sideways (look for yours in the coffee shop scene!)

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Very Vintage
A look through the decades

By Wensdy White **PINK**

With brooches and blazers everywhere this fall, there's more room than ever to incorporate vintage into your wardrobe. Fashion enthusiasts won't want to miss the Antique Jewelry & Vintage Apparel Show on Saturday for a one-stop shopping trip through the ages.

Lucy Ortiz is among the dozens of clothing and jewelry vendors from Michigan, Ohio and Illinois exhibiting at the event. Ortiz said vintage is back for the future, and best worn mixed into modern outfits one or two pieces at a time.

"Vintage is hot right now. All the movie stars are wearing it," she said.

According to show organizer Larry Barnett, jewelry will include turn-of-the-century necklaces to 1940's style brooches — and, of course, tons of rhinestones.

Vintage apparel will span the decades — black and lace ensembles of the Victorian age, Titanic styles from the Edwardian epoch, flapper creations laden with fringe and pearls, satin, bias-cut dresses representing Hollywood glamour of the '30s, doll hats and big-shouldered suits of the 1940's, picture hats and cinch-waisted fashions of the 1950's, go-go boots, hot pants and Pucci prints from the '60's, and the flower child garb and disco apparel of the '70's.

"The earlier you arrive, the better the selection," Barnett said. In anticipation of the show, PINK interpreted some vintage looks with a trendy flair at the historic Fisher Building in Detroit. Turn the page to go through the decades with PINK.

Antique Jewelry & Vintage Apparel Show

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Gwen Joy is a match for the velvet rope in a drapery dress reminiscent of 1930s glam, with polka-dots and velvet piping tied in a bow at the waist. A cameo and spectator heels are timeless accessories, while petal curls and Smashbox makeup complete the look.

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Step through time by combining the wild sides of the 60s and 70s to create avant-garde glitz. A dress accented with acid sequins at the neckline demands big hair and makeup. Gwen's locks are tamed only by a Czech-rhinestone brooch pinned on as a decorative barrette.



Credits:

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Jeff White, Octane Photographic

Model: *Gwen Joy*

Styling: *kSnyder*

Hair: *Nina Dimachki,
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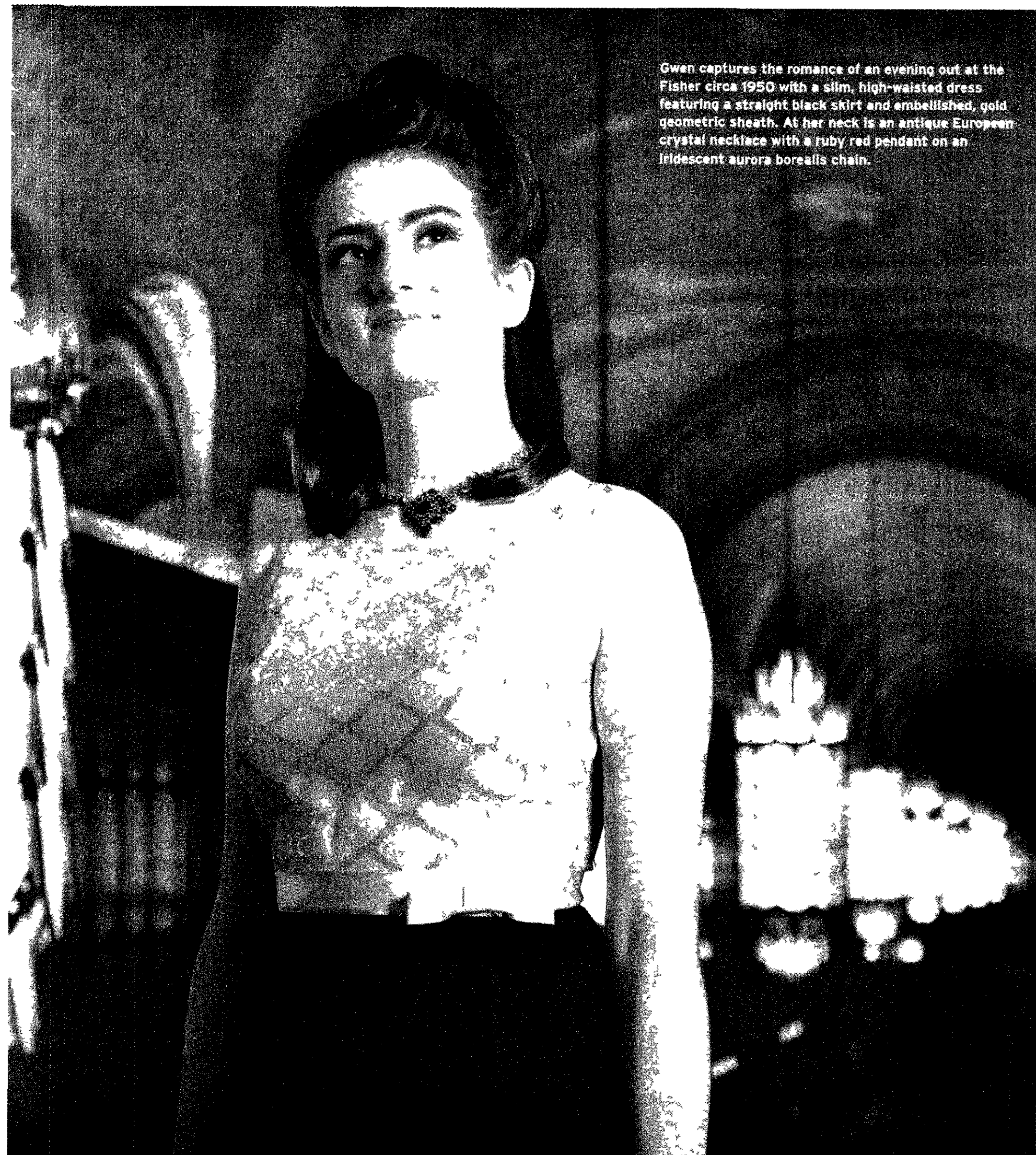
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Gwen captures the romance of an evening out at the Fisher circa 1950 with a slim, high-waisted dress featuring a straight black skirt and embellished, gold geometric sheath. At her neck is an antique European crystal necklace with a ruby red pendant on an iridescent aurora borealis chain.



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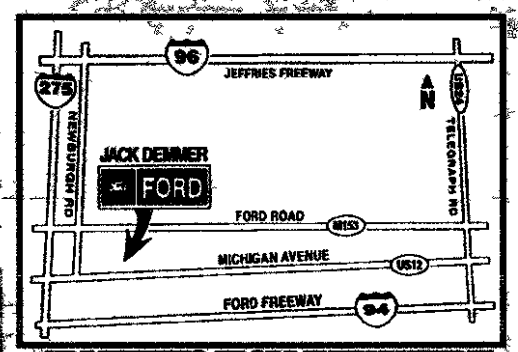
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Power up for 2005!

By Wheelbase Communications

Rear-wheel drive, all wheel drive, Hemi power, wagon mania, displacement on demand, hybrids and higher gas prices. What a difference a year makes. Twelve months ago we thought life revolved around front wheel drive, "Cab Forward" and technology that seemed as though it was at the limit. Because, really, if a vehicle's job is to get you from one place to another, how much engineering is too much? Of course, the modern automobile has come to represent much more. It's our home and our office away from home. We don't just travel in it, we do our living in it. And, like it or not, vanity plays a big role. We have to look good while we're living in it, after all. As long as buyers demand more from their vehicles and are willing to pay for it, manufacturers, it would seem, will go the extra mile to design and build it.

If there's one thing we've learned it's that there might only be one limit to progress. 12 volts.

Incredible, isn't it? Twelve volts to run complex navigation gear, anti-skid software, drive-by-wire throttle, electrically adjusted suspensions, sensors for practically every engine function, 1000-watt audio systems with DVD players and TVs, and, of course, enough juice leftover to actually power the engine, the high-intensity discharge headlamps and recharge the cell phone.

But there are obvious limits. So, with more than 12 volts to play with, what could manufacturers be truly capable of? We might not have to wait much longer to find out. Today's hybrid gas/electric vehicles began with the notion of reducing around-town fuel consumption. But believe it or not, the higher price of gas still hasn't convinced many of us to do much more than complain.

No matter. This year the extra thrust of the "helper" electric motor is being used to appeal to our primal need for more horsepower. For example, the Lexus RX 400h, basically an RX 330 sport utility vehicle with the same V6 and an electric motor, not only gets better fuel economy, but has 40 more horsepower (thanks to the electric motor) and is much quicker to 60 mph. More interesting is the abundance of power stored in the hybrid's batteries. Baked in the rear floor is a constant supply of 200-300 volts (depending on the manufacturer) that instantly makes obsolete the 12-volt system found in most vehicles. Whether hybrid technology truly takes off, what engineers have learned about generating electricity and lots of it is invaluable. Imagine, no more boosting on cold winter mornings. Accidentally leave the lights on? No problem. Need to run a space heater during a power outage at home? All it needs is a three-prong outlet. Fantasy? The 2005 Chevrolet Silverado Hybrid has four of 'em.

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With such an incredible year unfolding, you have to wonder what we'll be saying 12 months from now. Our eyes are open to the future.

How to use this guide

Prices reflect the entry-level model in a given line. That is to say the price provided is the starting point. In most cases, prices have been provided by the manufacturer and then rounded up or down to the nearest \$100 to reflect small changes that inevitably occur from time to time. It's also because the prices are provided here as a gauge of affordability and are not "today's sale price", so do not quote these prices to your dealer. Prices do not include the tax you'll pay, nor the delivery charges (unless otherwise indicated) which run from about \$500-\$1,000.

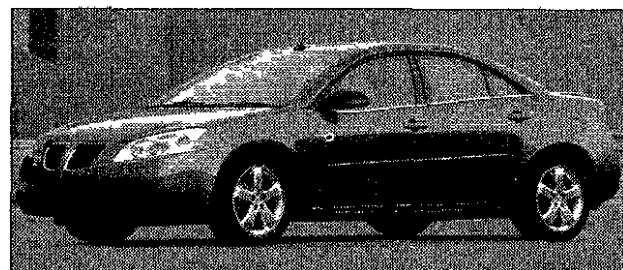
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Most importantly, some very few, actually - manufacturers haven't finalized their lineups/options, etc. as of this writing, which means that we might include carryover pricing, features, etc., in some cases, and indicate it as such.

PONTIAC G6

(NEW FOR 2005!)

Impressions: The big news in Pontiac stores for 2005 is the arrival of replacements for the Montana minivan and the Grand Am coupe/sedan. The G6 is the name given to the Grand Am replacement as Pontiac wanted to make sure there was nothing carried over from the old model. The new car is based on the global Epsilon architecture that serves beneath a number of European General Motors products as well as the Chevrolet Malibu, Malibu Maxx wagon and Saturn Vue sport utility vehicle on these shores. As the replacement for the aging Grand Am, the G6 is a totally modern exercise that will initially be available as a four-door sedan and then followed by coupe and convertible versions. Visually, the G6 is clearly a Pontiac, but with a decidedly more modern and crisp edge to it. The overall goal and impression is one of a more upscale vehicle with extensive attention to interior appointments, fit and finish. The G6 features a long wheelbase that allows plenty of room for seats and people between the front and rear tires. The rear doors are wide and square, allowing the windows to be rolled all the way down (instead of part way in vehicles with smaller doors). Pontiac claims the G6 offers more rear-seat legroom than anything in its class. Whether in base or GT format, power comes from a 200-horsepower version of GM's 3.5-liter V6 driving the front wheels through a four-speed automatic transmission. A four-cylinder as well as a 3.9-liter V6 will arrive after the initial launch this fall. The G6 marks the North American introduction of a panoramic glass sunroof with a trio of sliding panels. With an all-independent suspension and a range of 16- and 17-inch wheels and tires, the G6 continues Pontiac's Wide Track theme that began way back in 1959.



Base price: \$21,800 • **Type:** Five-passenger four-door sedan
Base engine (hp): 3.5-liter OHV V6 (200) • **Optional engine:** none
Layout: Front-engine, front/all-wheel drive • **Transmission:** Four-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy): 20/30 • **Weight (lb):** 3,380
Safety: Front airbags, side-impact/side-curtain airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.), traction control (opt.), OnStar GPS tracking (opt.)
Basic warranty: 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** pontiac.com

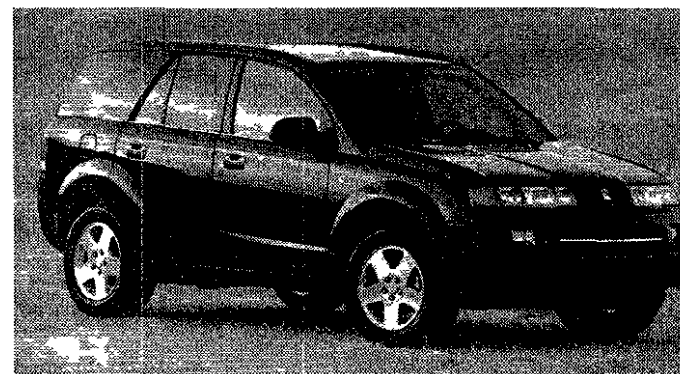
DURANGO

Impressions: The Durango was all new last year, so Dodge is in gloat mode and has merely added minor trim and made some option changes for 2005. This big sport utility vehicle, approaching full-size status, can be equipped with V6 or V8 power, including the 5.7-liter "Hemi", and comes in ST, SXT, SLT, Limited and a new-for-2005 Adventurer model aimed at the outdoor enthusiast. It includes a Thule-brand roof rack with a choice of six storage systems as well as unique trim, paint, wheels and side steps. It also boasts reversible slush mats and a rubberized and washable cargo liner with built-in organizer. Also new for 2005 is the availability of heated cloth seats, stereo system with navigation and two-tone leather interiors. The ST and SXT models come with five-passenger seating and the remainder with three rows of seats and accommodations for seven. The standard engine on rear-drive ST and SLT models is a 210-horsepower 3.7-liter V6, while a 230-horsepower 4.7-liter V8 comes with all four-wheel-drive models and is standard on the two-wheel-drive Limited. For those who must have the most and the best, the 335-horsepower 5.7-liter V8 can be ordered up on SLT and Limited models. The six gets a four-speed automatic and each V8 a five-speed. All models can be equipped with four-wheel-drive systems, a single-speed full-time system with the 4.7 and a two-speed unit with the Hemi that is also available with the 4.7.



Base price: \$27,400 (2004) • **Type:** Four-door sport utility vehicle
Base engine (hp): 3.7-liter SOHC V6 (210)
Optional engines (hp): 4.7-liter SOHC V8 (230), 5.7-liter OHV V8 (335)
Layout: Front-engine, rear/all-wheel drive
Transmissions: Four-speed automatic (3.7), five-speed automatic (opt. on 4.7, 5.7)
Mileage (city/hwy): 16/21 (V6) • **Safety:** Front airbags, side-curtain airbags (opt.), ABS
Weight (lb): 4,700 • **Basic warranty:** 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** dodge.com

VUE



Impressions: In the first two years of production, Saturn has built and sold an astounding 250,000 five-passenger Vue compact sport utility vehicles. Offering smart looks and a wide variety of hardware, it really shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone. Look closely and you'll be able to distinguish a 2005 Vue by its chrome headlight bezels, an extension for the driver's side sun visor and new trim on the shifter plate. However, the only major change for 2005 is beneath the skin: the continuously variable transmission has been replaced by a conventional four-speed automatic on the 143-horsepower 2.2-liter four-cylinder models. A five-speed automatic continues to be the only choice with the optional Honda-sourced 250-horsepower 3.5-liter V6. Regardless of engine, you can specify all-wheel drive instead of front-wheel drive. The hot Red Line model, introduced in the middle of the 2004 model year, spices up the standard Vue with unique body cladding, a lowered stance, sport-tuned suspension and 18-inch wheels wrapped in performance rubber. It's available in front or all-wheel drive with the V6. A number of entertainment choices are available and include XM satellite radio, a DVD entertainment system and MP3 computer file capability.

Base price: \$17,000 (2004) • **Type:** Four-door sport utility
Base engine (hp): 2.2-liter DOHC I4 (143) • **Optional engine (hp):** 3.5-liter SOHC V6 (250)
Layout: Front-engine, front/all-wheel drive
Transmissions: Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.), live-speed automatic (V6)
Mileage (city/hwy): 23/28 (2.2 MT FWD) • **Weight (lb):** 3,210
Safety: Front/head-curtain air bags (opt.), ABS (opt.), OnStar GPS tracking (opt.)
Basic warranty: 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** saturn.com

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AVEO

Impressions: Chevy has made only subtle changes to its least expensive and most economical car for 2005. A Special Value Model (SVM) has been introduced (a mid-'04 addition, actually) to undercut the LS and LT trim levels and keep the price below 10 grand. Other changes include blacked-out door pillar trim, Aqua and Red metallic added to the color chart, new bolt-on sport wheel covers for the SVM and LS and alloy wheels for the LT. Available as a four-door sedan or five-door hatchback, the Italian-designed runabout comes with tilt steering, dual airbags, electric rear defrost, height-adjustable driver's seat and 60/40 split-folding rear bench with integral headrests on the sedan and separated headrests on the hatchback. The LS adds air conditioning with cabin filtration. The LT comes with a CD/MP3 player, power door locks and windows, remote keyless entry and heated outside mirrors. LT options include security and sound system upgrades and a power sunroof. Powering all Aveos is a 103-horsepower 1.6-liter four-cylinder driving the front wheels through a five-speed manual transmission. A four-speed automatic is optional.



Base price: \$9,460 • **Type:** Four-door sedan/hatchback
Base engine (hp): 1.6-liter DOHC I4 (103) • **Optional engine:** None
Layout: Front-engine, front-wheel drive
Transmissions: Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy): 27/35 (MT) • **Safety:** Front airbags, ABS (opt.)
Weight (lb): 2,350 • **Basic warranty:** 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** chevrolet.com

CTS

Impressions: Cadillac's stylish CTS is the recipient of a new 210-horsepower 2.8-liter V6 to replace last year's base 220-horse 3.2. That change, as well as others in the base equipment level, is aimed at bringing in new younger buyers. Since production is not scheduled to get under way until late October, the \$31,700 base price - about \$1,000 more than last year's base - reflects that of the better-equipped 255-horsepower 3.6-liter-engined CTS. We're waiting to see where the 2.8 lands, but expect it to be in the \$30,000 range. The rear-drive CTS is based on GM's global Sigma platform (shared with the SRX sport utility vehicle and new STS sedan) and was developed to go head-to-head with European sport sedans. To that end, the CTS can be equipped with a Sport Package that includes automatic load leveling, beefier suspension, variable-assist power steering, stability control, heavy-duty brake linings and big 17-inch machined-face alloy wheels. Atop the line rests the CTS V that's equipped with a 2004 Corvette-sourced 5.7-liter V8 belting out 400 horsepower. It also gets 14-inch brake rotors, upgraded suspension, a six-speed manual gearbox, special ground effects and 18-inch wheels. Small changes to CTS for 2005 include a new instrument cluster and 12 months of OnStar help desk access. Included is Cadillac's virtual advisor, which provides three-day weather forecasts and traffic reports. Interestingly, both the 2.8 and the 3.6 can be ordered with a five-speed automatic transmission or six-speed manual.



Base price: \$31,700 (3.6) \$49,300 (CTS-V) • **Type:** Four-door sedan
Base engine (hp): 2.8-liter DOHC V6 (210)
Optional engines (hp): 3.6-liter DOHC V6 (255), 5.7-liter OHV V8 (400)
Layout: Front-engine, rear-wheel drive • **Mileage (city/hwy):** 18/27 (2.8)
Transmissions: Five-speed automatic, six-speed manual
Safety: Front impact airbags, side-impact airbags, side-curtain airbags, BS traction control, stability control (opt.), OnStar GPS tracking
Weight (lb): 3,570 • **Basic warranty:** 4/50,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** cadillac.com

CIVIC

Impressions: The Honda Civic lineup has so much depth and variety, it could very well stand alone as its own car company. The Civic stable consists of a two-door coupe, four-door sedan and a two-door hatchback. The coupe was developed in the United States and the sedan in Japan to keep the designs as distinctive as possible. For 2005, both are available in DX, LX and EX versions. In addition, there's a fuel-thrifty HX coupe and a natural gas-powered GX sedan to choose from. Honda's green machine, the gas/electric Hybrid sedan, is back with its 48/51 mpg, city/highway. The hatchback body is saved for the British-built Si sport package and its 160-horsepower 2.0-liter four-cylinder. "Regular" Civics arrive with a 1.7-liter four-cylinder that puts out 115 horsepower in the DX and LX cars and 117 horsepower in the HX coupe. The Civic EX, which adds VTEC, delivers 127 horsepower. The price leader, DX cars, are understandably light on content, while the mid-range LX comes with air conditioning, power windows and locks, cruise control and AM/FM/cassette stereo. The top drawer EX adds 15-inch wheels, ABS, moonroof and CD player. Along with a Value package that combines a CD sound system, air conditioning and center console is a new Special Edition package that you can add to EX models. Key content includes an MP3 computer file-compatible stereo, rear spoiler, leather-wrapped steering wheel and exclusive wheels.



Base price: \$13,600 • **Type:** Two-door coupe, four-door sedan
Base engine (hp): 1.7-liter SOHC I4 (115)
Optional engines (hp): 1.7-liter DOHC I4 (117/127), 1.3-liter SOHC I4 gas/electric hybrid (65+13 for the electric motor Hybrid)
Layout: Front-engine, front-wheel drive
Transmissions: Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.), continuously variable (opt. on HX and Hybrid)
Mileage (city/hwy): 32/38 (MT) • **Safety:** Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.)
Weight (lb): 2,410 • **Basic warranty:** 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Optional • **Web:** honda.com

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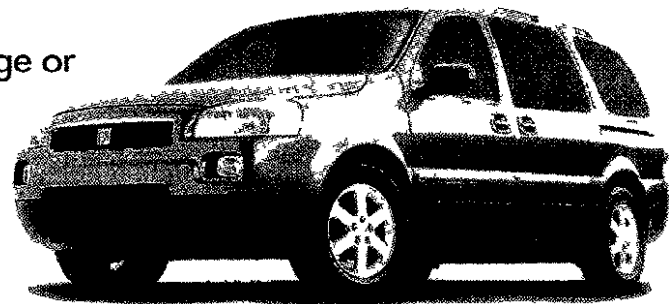
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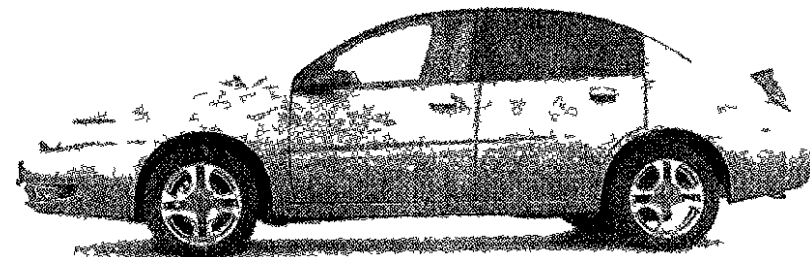


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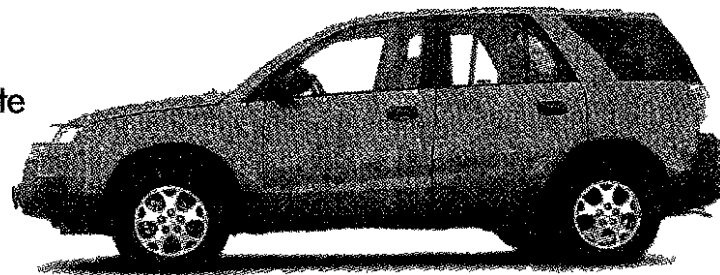


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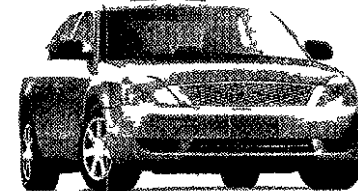
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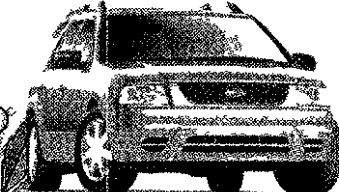
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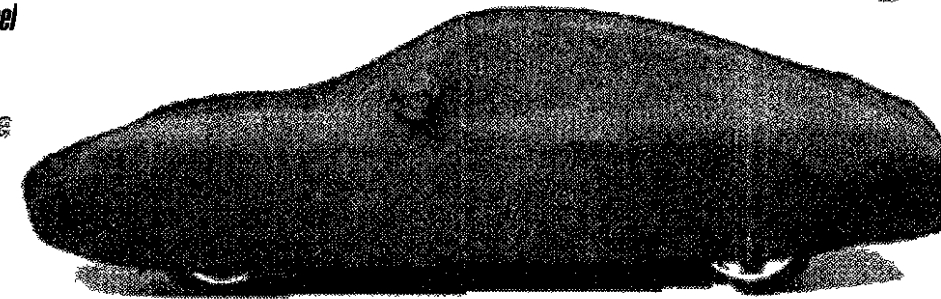
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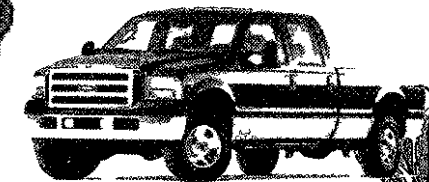
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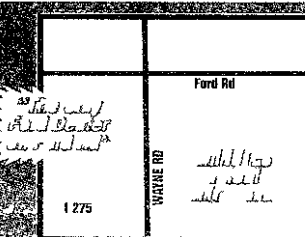
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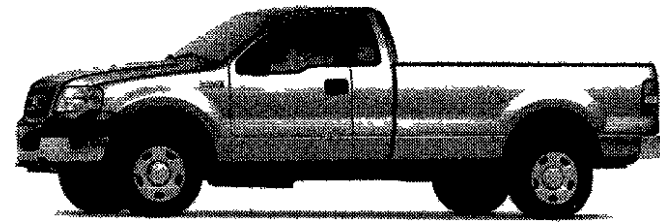


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F-150

Impressions: The new F-150 got off to a great start last year, winning just about every award in sight. And why not? It's handsome, tough, and has all kinds of features and power. And it's large. Really large. However, a few pieces of the puzzle were missing when it was rolled out last fall. Changes for 2005 are thus designed to fill in a few spots at either end of the model/price lineup. For cost-conscious fleets and others, a 4.2-liter V6 with a manual transmission (4x2 only) is available and there's now a "work truck" package for no-frills commercial applications. At the other end of the scale, the King Ranch Crew Cab edition reappears, complete with special badging and trim, running boards, heated side mirrors that fold in and unique innards appointed in heavy-duty leather. The term variety is stretched to new limits with the 2005 F150. There are three cab choices, three box lengths, two box styles and six unique trim levels (XL, STX, XLT, FX4, Lanat and King Ranch). Added to that selection is the availability of the 202-horsepower 4.2-liter V6 and 4.6- and 5.4-liter V8s producing 231 and 300 horsepower, respectively. Four-speed automatics mesh with all (the V6 can be ordered with a five-speed manual). For 2005, the interiors are more refined and quieter. If towing or hauling are purchase parameters, the F-150 can be equipped to suit almost any requirement with payloads up to 3,020 pounds and towing capacities up to 9,900 pounds.

Base price: \$22,300 (5.4 2004)
Type: Two-door pickup
Base engine (hp): 4.2 liter OHV V6 (202)
Optional engine (hp): 4.6-liter SOHC V6 (231) 5.4-liter SOHC V8 (300)
Layout: Front-engine, rear/floor wheel drive
Transmissions: Five-speed manual (4.2 only) four-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy): 16/20 (V6 AT 4x2)
Safety: Front airbags, ABS
Weight (lb.): 4,620 (4.2)
Basic warranty: 3/36,000
Roadside assistance: Yes
Web: ford.com

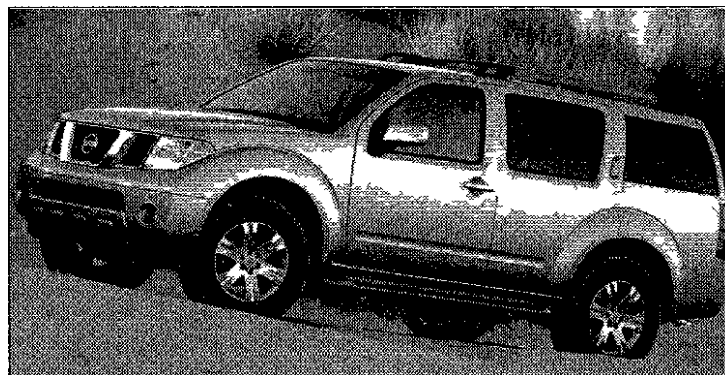


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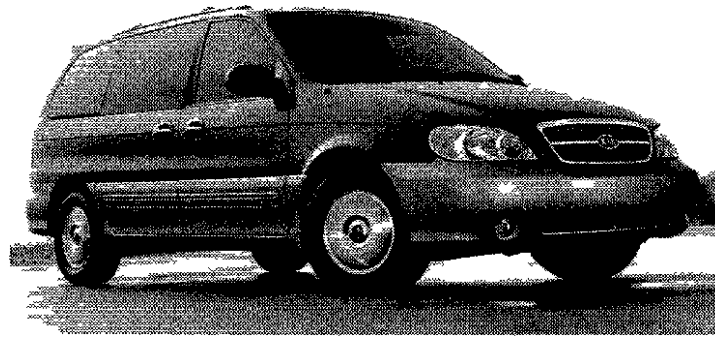
Impressions: After years maintaining the same basic low-key look, the Nissan Pathfinder gets bigger, goes quicker, and looks tougher than it has in its entire 19-year life span. Formerly of unitized construction, the third-generation model is reverting to its original truck-like heritage, featuring body-on-frame construction and an appearance that mimics the Frontier pickup, which is also new. The Tennessee-built Pathfinder has also adopted many of the arvil tough exterior details that have made its beefier cousins such visual stand-outs, including bulging fender flares, distinctive grille, and an upright, squared-off stance that clearly conveys a don't-mess-with-me muscular posture. Since it's bigger, there's a standard third-row seat. When not needed, either or both split-folding rear benches as well as the passenger-side bucket can be folded flat to accommodate lengthy/bulky cargo. A 4.0-liter version of Nissan's award-winning 3.5-liter V6 makes 265 horsepower and 284 lb.-ft. of torque, a gain of 25 horses and 19 lb.-ft. of torque. A five-speed automatic transmission replaces last year's five-speed manual, and four-speed automatic. Although base models come with rear-wheel-drive only, automatic four-wheel drive is a mere option tick away. Other add-ons include dual-zone climate control, leather interior with heated front seats, power-adjustable foot pedals, a DVD-based navigation system with seven-inch screen, a rear seat DVD entertainment unit, wood-trimmed interior, satellite radio, and MP3-compatible Bose audio system with six-disc CD changer. Anti-lock brakes are standard, while side-impact airbags and ceiling-mounted side-impact airbags are extra-cost options.



Base price: \$29,000 • **Type:** Four-door sport utility vehicle
Base engine (hp): 4.0 liter DOHC V6 (265) • **Optional engine:** None
Layout: Front-engine, two-wheel drive • **Transmission:** Five-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy): 15/19 (4x4 est.) • **Weight (lb.):** 4,000 (est.)
Safety: Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), side-curtain airbags (opt.), ABS stability control (opt.)
Basic warranty: 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Optional • **Web:** nissandriven.com

SEDONA

Impressions: Introduced for 2002 amid some surprise from the competition, the seven-passenger Sedona people-mover continues as a solid package for a solid price for 2005. You'll get a 195-horsepower 3.5-liter V6 mated to a five-speed automatic transmission. Standard features include dual sliding doors, sofa-swallowing rear liftgate and protective side molding running the length of the vehicle. On the inside, there are two generous glove compartments, a locking storage bin under the passenger seat, a small storage area in the overhead console and an additional cubby located on top of the dash. These are above and beyond the ample supply of adjustable cupholders as well as a floor console container and additional small storage areas in the rear.



For a little more than 20 grand, the base LX has front and rear air conditioning, power windows, locks and mirrors, tilt steering wheel, full-size spare and four-speaker AM/FM radio with CD player. The up-level EX adds second-row captain's chairs, alloy wheels, four-wheel anti-lock brakes, speed control, remote keyless entry, rear spoiler and premium sound system. Only a few options remain, including a leather interior, power sunroof and a DVD entertainment system.

Base price: \$20,200 • **Type:** Four-door minivan
Base engine (hp): 3.5-liter DOHC V6 (195) • **Optional engine:** None
Layout: Front-engine, front-wheel drive
Transmission: Five-speed automatic • **Mileage (city/hwy):** 15/20
Safety: Front airbags, ABS (opt.) • **Weight (lb.):** 4,800
Basic warranty: 5/60,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** jeep.com

CANYON

Impressions: The Canyon replaced the aging Sonoma last year as the compact pickup in the GMC camp. Bigger, more powerful and available in a lot more varieties, it has been a hit from the get-go. Changes for 2005 include the availability of a leather interior package with cloth door inserts when the extended cab model is specified, a sunroof, MP3 computer file capability with the sound system, box side steps on regular and extended cab models, and traction control with a locking differential on two-wheel-drive versions. Otherwise, the Chevrolet Colorado's twin continues to be much the same with a wide variety of cab styles (regular, extended and crew), box sizes (five-foot and six-foot), drive systems (rear or 4x4), suspension setups (heavy-duty and off-road) and engines (four and five cylinders). Both engines are based on the in-line six introduced in the Envoy. The 2.8-liter four-cylinder produces 175 horsepower, while the in-line five-cylinder makes 220 horses from its 3.5 liters. Connected to either is a choice of a five-speed manual transmission or optional four-speed automatic originally designed for the full-size Sierra pickup. Also optional is GMC's dash-operated shift-on-the-fly four-wheel-drive system.



Base price: \$15,000 • **Type:** Four-door compact pickup
Base engine (hp): 2.8 liter DOHC I4 (175) • **Optional engine (hp):** 3.5 liter DOHC I5 (220)
Layout: Front-engine, rear/floor wheel drive
Transmissions: Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.) • **Mileage (city/hwy):** 20/27 (2.8 MT)
Safety: Front airbags, side-curtain airbags (opt.), ABS • **Weight (lb.):** 3,380
Basic warranty: 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance:** Yes • **Web:** gmc.com

LIBERTY

Impressions: The Liberty was Jeep's 2002 response to the growing number of competing small sport-utility vehicles available to buyers. Liberty's advantage was that it could go where many others only dreamt of treading. Three years out, this Cherokee replacement has been given an even greater degree of separation from the pack thanks to the availability of a 2.8-liter turbo-diesel engine that promises a marked improvement in fuel economy. Other changes for



2005 include interior and exterior styling updates, new grilles and front bumpers and greater differentiation between the Sport, Limited and Renegade trim levels, the latter of which receives its own special (flatter) hood, grille, driving lights, wheels and fender extensions. Inside, all models benefit from redesigned seats. While the Renegade, with its tail-lamp guards and skid plates, makes its intentions obvious, so does the Limited with its upscale appointments, special wheels and body-colored fender flares. The base 150-horsepower 2.4-liter four-cylinder and the 210-horsepower 3.7-liter V6 carry over but are joined by a 160-horsepower turbo-diesel with a whopping 295 lb.-ft. of torque at only 1,800 r.p.m. It's the obvious choice for serious off-roading, especially with the obligatory five-speed automatic transmission. A six-speed manual transmission replaces the five-speed unit in two and four-wheel-drive Sport and Renegade models. The 3.7 is paired with a four-speed automatic in rear-drive versions but mates up with a five-speed automatic when four-wheel-drive is selected.

Base price: \$18,800 • **Type:** Four-door sport utility vehicle
Base engine (hp): 2.4-liter DOHC I4 (150)
Optional engine (hp): 3.7 liter SOHC V6 (210) 2.8-liter DOHC I4 turbo-diesel (160)
Layout: Front-engine, rear/floor wheel drive
Transmission: Six-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.), five-speed automatic (V6 4x4 and turbo-diesel)
Mileage (city/hwy): 17/21 (3.7 AT) 21/27 (turbo-diesel)
Safety: Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.)
Weight (lb.): 3,650 • **Basic warranty:** 3/36,000
Roadside assistance: Yes • **Web:** jeep.com

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RAINIER

Impressions: Out of several mid-size General Motors sport-utility vehicles built on the same platform, the year-old Buick Rainier rides a cut above with more standard features and power train versatility. Granted, the Trailblazer and GMC Envoy are available in both regular- and extended-length formats (the Buick comes in regular wheelbase only) but the Rainier is the only regular-wheelbase model that GM is willing to stuff a 290-horsepower 5.3-liter V8 into. Regardless of whether you choose the CXL or CXL Plus, the standard powerplant continues to be the 275-horsepower 4.2-liter in-line six-cylinder. Small changes greet the 2005 Rainier, including upgraded tires, a genuine mahogany wood/leather-wrapped steering wheel, burl walnut wood-grain shift knob and more chrome-trim accents on all models. That's in addition to the Rainier's already standard electronically controlled rear air suspension, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock, dual-zone climate control and leather-covered power seats with memory function. Rear-drive models come with traction control, while all wheel-drive models feature a slip-and-grip system that diverts some power to the front wheels when the going gets rough.

Base price: \$34,900
Type: Four-door sport utility
Base engine (hp): 4.2 liter DOHC I6 (275)
Optional engine (hp): 5.3 liter OHV V8 (290)
Layout: Front-engine, rear/floor wheel drive
Transmission: Four-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy): 16/21 (2WD)
Safety: Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS, traction control (2WD only), OnStar, GPS tracking (opt.)
Weight (lb.): 4,400
Basic warranty: 3/36,000
Roadside assistance: Yes
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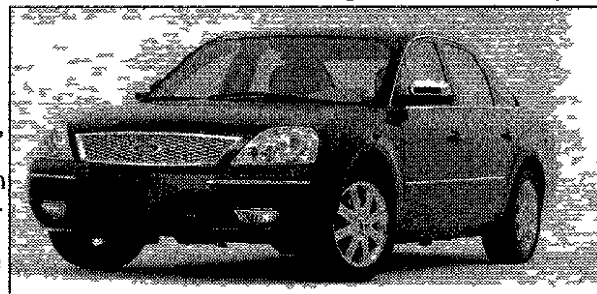
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FIVE HUNDRED™

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Impressions The most aggressive new vehicle launch in Ford's 100-year history takes place for 2005 and the Five Hundred leads the parade. Built in Chicago, Ill., alongside its new Freestyle wagon and Mercury Montego siblings, the Five Hundred is a clear departure from the norm with a boxy upright body providing a commanding seating position and loads of headroom. Power comes from the familiar 3.0-liter V6, but from there things get a little more interesting with a choice of two automatic transmissions: a standard six-speed or continuously variable unit (CVT) driving the front or all four wheels. The latter is borrowed from Volvo. The six-speed is offered on one trim level only with front-wheel drive while all others get the CVT. For comparison sake, the Five Hundred is about three-inches longer than a Taurus and a foot shorter than a Crown Vic. The rear seat and back of the front passenger seat fold flat, allowing items up to eight feet long to be put inside. Trunk space, which rivals that of the Crown Vic, is plentiful and can handle eight full-size sets of golf clubs. Available in three trim levels: SE, SEL and Limited. Even the base model boasts a full array of standard equipment. You'll get four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock traction control, six-way power driver's seat, air conditioning, tilt wheel, speed control, remote entry keypad, power windows and locks and 17-inch alloy wheels (18-inch on the Limited). An optional safety package includes side-impact air bags and Ford's "safety canopy" for protection in the event of a rollover.



Base price \$22,800 • **Type** Four-door sedan
Base engine (hp) 3.0-liter DOHC V6 (200) • **Optional engine** none
Layout Front engine, front/all-wheel drive • **Transmission** Six-speed automatic, continuously variable (opt.)
Mileage (city/hwy) 29/21 (6AT) • **Weight (lb.)** 3,660
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), safety canopy (opt.), ABS (opt.), traction control (opt.)
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** ford.com

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ESCAPE

Impressions Perhaps the biggest news in the Escape family—if not the whole sport-utility industry—is the introduction of the Escape Hybrid, a vehicle that combines a four-cylinder gas engine and an electric motor to dramatically improve around-town fuel economy. Costing only about \$2,000 more than a similarly equipped V6-powered Escape (once you factor in the federal tax credits), which Ford says offers about the same performance, the Hybrid gets a reported 35.4 mpg in city driving. At rest, the Hybrid's 133-horsepower 2.3-liter four-cylinder is shut down. When it's time to leave the stop light, the 94-horsepower electric motor takes over until the Escape reaches about 25 mph. At that point, the gas motor is seamlessly called into action. (Both run at the same time when full acceleration is required.) The juice comes from 200 pounds (and 330-volts) worth of batteries built into the rear load floor, which are recharged when the brakes are applied. The best part of the Hybrid is that it's still an Escape sport ute that can be equipped with four-wheel drive and tow 1,000 pounds. Base non-Hybrid Escapes receive a new 153-horsepower 2.3-liter Mazda-derived four-cylinder (Ford owns Mazda) to replace last year's 127-horsepower unit. With the increased power comes an automatic transmission that's available as an option to the five-speed manual. The 200-horsepower 3.0-liter V6 remains on the menu. Other changes for '05 include a new intelligent 4x4 system for improved traction, a heavily reworked interior and an updated exterior with new front/rear fascia and wheels. XLS, SLT and Limited trim levels remain, anti-lock brakes become standard and a new "safety canopy" airbag becomes an available option. Base price: \$19,300.



Type Four-door sport-utility vehicle
Base engine (hp) 2.3-liter DOHC I4 (153)
Optional engine (hp) 3.0-liter SOHC V6 (200) 2.3-liter DOHC I4 (133)/94-horsepower electric motor (Hybrid)
Layout Front engine, front/four-wheel drive • **Weight (lb.)** 3,020
Transmissions Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.), std. on V6
Mileage (city/hwy) 24/29 (2.3 FWD MT)
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), safety canopy airbag (opt.), ABS
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** ford.com

Base price \$19,300 • **Type** Two-door coupe/convertible (late arrival)
Base engine (hp) 4.0-liter OHV V6 (210) • **Optional engine (hp)** 4.6-liter DOHC V8 (300)
Layout Front engine, rear-wheel drive • **Transmission** Five-speed manual, five-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy) 19/26 (est.) • **Weight (lb.)** 3,450
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.), traction control (opt.)
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** ford.com

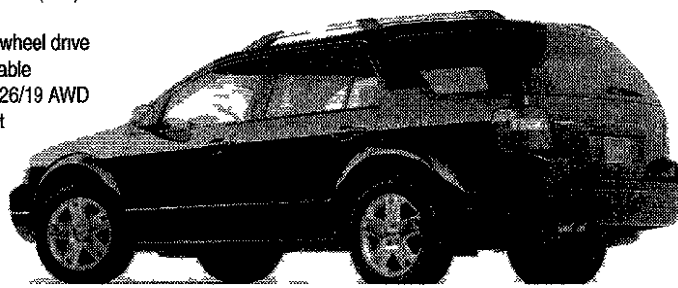
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FREESTYLE

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Impressions With wagons popping up all over the place, it's really no surprise that Ford has created a wagon version of the new Five Hundred sedan called the Freestyle. Several inches longer than a Taurus wagon, a foot shorter than a Crown Victoria and much taller than both, the Freestyle provides a tremendous amount of interior space for up to seven people across three rows that can also be reworked to create a large, flat load floor. Innovative storage solutions abound and there are a trio of 12-volt power outlets. Freestyle is available in SE, SEL or Limited models with the extensive standard equipment list including air conditioning, speed control, tilt steering, power windows and locks, six-way power driver's seat, anti-lock brakes, traction control, remote keyless entry and a fold-flat front passenger seat. Large 17-inch wheels and tires are standard on SE and SEL models with 18-inch rolling stock arriving on the Limited. The powertrain consists of Ford's 203-horse 3.0-liter DOHC V6 coupled to a continuously variable automatic transmission driving either the front or all four wheels. The AWD system comes from Volvo while the transmission provides nearly infinite gearing to keep the engine revving close to where it makes peak torque. In terms of safety, the Freestyle can be optioned with side-impact airbags and a safety canopy that deploys in the event of a rollover.

Base price \$25,600
Type Four-door wagon
Base engine (hp) 3.0-liter DOHC V6 (203)
Optional engine none
Layout Front engine, front or all-wheel drive
Transmission Continuously variable
Mileage (city/hwy) 27/20 FWD 26/19 AWD
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), safety canopy (opt.), ABS, traction control (opt.)
Weight (lb.) 3,960
Basic warranty 3/36,000
Roadside assistance Yes
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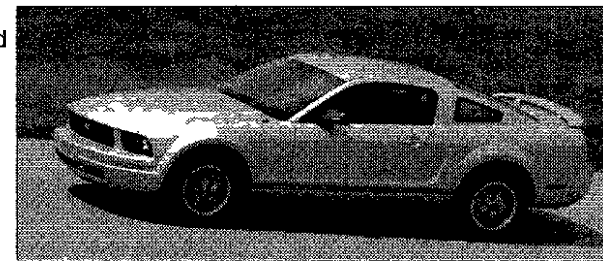


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MUSTANG

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Impressions History is about to repeat itself. As was the case 40 years ago, Ford has a brand-new Mustang for 2005 and a wide-open playing field without a competitor in sight. Still rear-drive and powered by a V6 or V8, this iconic Ford has been thoroughly redesigned with lots of reminders of the past mixed with lots of new stuff. Not only does the new Mustang pay tribute to the past with its exterior styling cues, but the interior, right down to the gauges, smacks of the mid-1960s. The best improvement might just be in the wheelbase, which grows by six inches compared to that of the '04 Mustang. According to Ford, this yields improved stance, balance and increased interior space. Although equipped with an old-school solid rear axle, Ford claims the new Mustang delivers a vastly superior combination of ride and handling. The base 4.0-liter V6 pumps out a healthy 210 horses, 23 more than before, while the optional 300-horsepower 4.6-liter aluminum V8 makes 40 more ponies than the '04 V8, which is also 75 pounds heavier. Both are backed by five-speed manual transmissions or optional five-speed automatics. Standard features include power windows and locks, remote keyless entry, four-wheel disc brakes and air conditioning. The new Stang owes its whoa to 12.4-inch front brake rotors on GT models while V6 versions get 11.4-inchers. Standard wheels are 16 inches in diameter while V8 models get 17-inchers. From the why-didn't-we-think-of-that first category comes a color-configurable instrument panel that allows the owner to mix and match the lighting from a choice of 125 backgrounds.

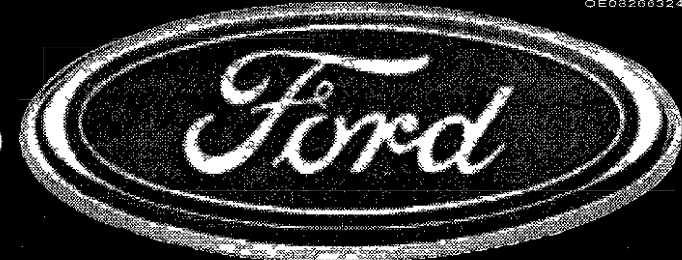


Base price \$19,400 • **Type** Two-door coupe/convertible (late arrival)
Base engine (hp) 4.0-liter OHV V6 (210) • **Optional engine (hp)** 4.6-liter DOHC V8 (300)
Layout Front engine, rear-wheel drive • **Transmission** Five-speed manual, five-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy) 19/26 (est.) • **Weight (lb.)** 3,450
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.), traction control (opt.)
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** ford.com

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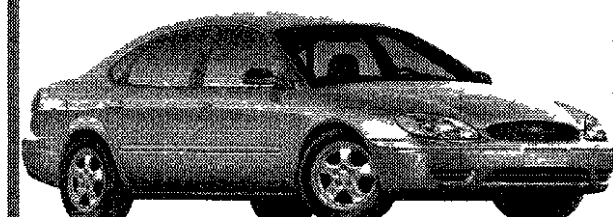
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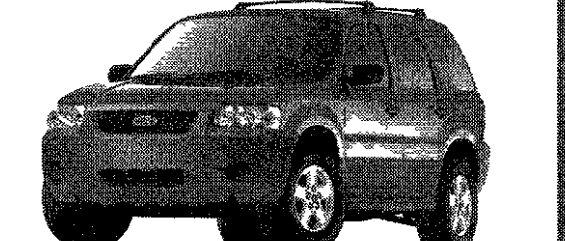


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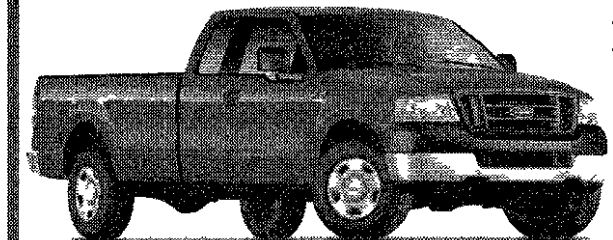
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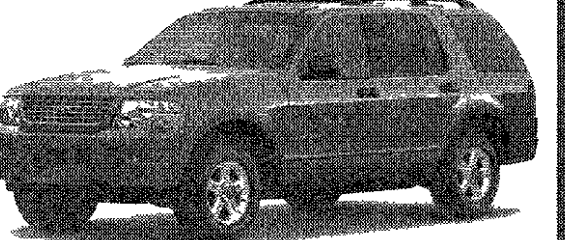


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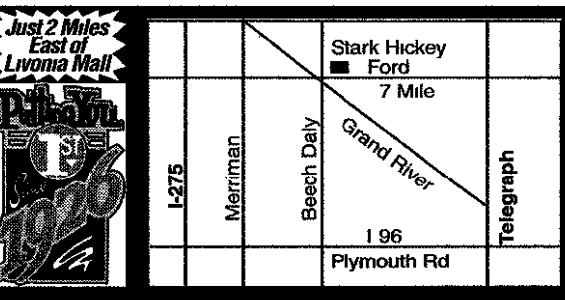


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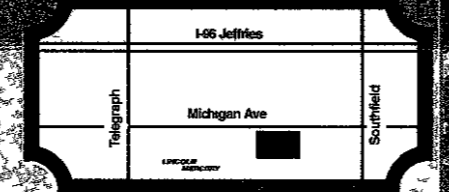
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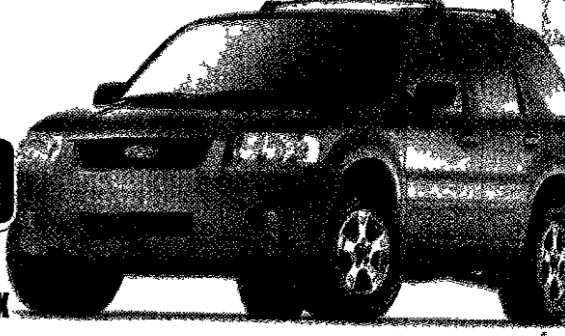


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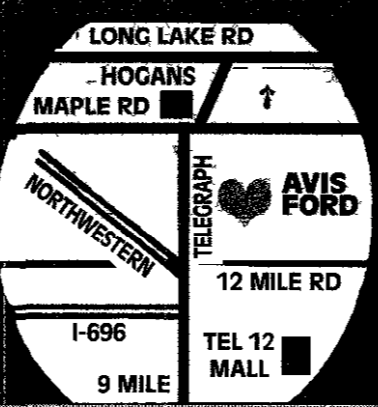
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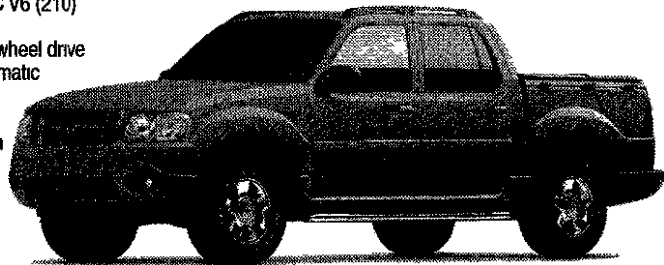
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EXPLORER SPORT TRAC

Impressions In that great gray area between trucks and sport-utility vehicles lives the Ford Explorer Sport Trac. It can be looked at either way, but since it shares its platform with the Ford Ranger pickup, we're going to call it a truck. There is little in the way of change for 2005 beyond a couple of new exterior color choices, wider availability of a moonroof and a sound system with Sirius Satellite radio and MP3 capability for all models. Versatility is the name of this game as the Sport Trac combines the interior features of the Explorer sport-ute with the cargo-carrying abilities of a compact pickup thanks to a four-foot long, 20-inch-deep cargo bed. The Sport Trac is available in XLS and XLT trim levels for 2005 with a Premium package available for the latter. The Adrenaline package makes its return with a 510-watt Pioneer audio system, built-in subwoofer and all sorts of exterior trim bits. Motivation for all comes from a 205-horsepower 4.0-liter V6 coupled to a four-speed automatic transmission. The Sport Trac is available in two or four-wheel-drive variations and can tow up to 5,300 pounds. Among the myriad of safety features is the availability of Ford's Safety Canopy airbag system that provides added protection in the event of side impact or roll over.

Base price \$23,700
Type Four-door compact pickup
Base engine (hp) 4.0-liter SOHC V6 (210)
Optional engine None
Layout Front engine, rear four-wheel drive
Transmissions Five-speed automatic (opt.)
Mileage (city/hwy) 15/20 (4x4)
Safety Front airbags, side curtain airbags with rollover protection (opt.) ABS
Weight (lb.) 4,140
Basic warranty 3/36,000
Roadside assistance Yes
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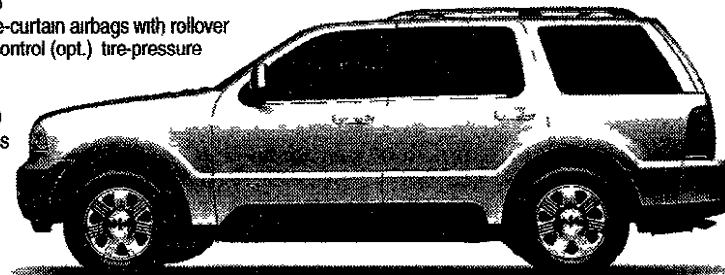


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AVIATOR

Impressions: Based on the platform used for the country's most popular sport-utility vehicle, the Ford Explorer, the Lincoln Aviator obviously has a reputable, not to mention secure, foundation. But since it wears a Lincoln badge, it takes an extended trip through the tailor's shop before hitting the streets loaded with luxury and 302-horsepower 4.6-liter V8 driving the rear or all four wheels. The Aviator comes in one model with four new option packages for 2005. Regardless, there's no shortage of standard equipment. The Aviator includes anti-lock brakes, running boards, power heated signal mirrors with memory and downward-firing puddle lamps, remote keyless entry, dual-zone climate control, premium audio system and automatic headlamps. That's in addition to power locks and windows, power adjustable pedals, power lumbar support, leather interior trim and Ford's "safety canopy" system that protects in the event of side impact or rollover. Electronic stability control is standard on all models as are 17-inch, seven-spoke machined aluminum wheels. Interior luxury is top-of-mind with satin nickel accents, wood trim, premium leather and white light-emitting-diode (LED) instrument lighting. Like all Lincolns, the Aviator comes with free maintenance for the first year or 12,000 miles. Other changes for 2005 are limited to a new grille and color choices. Good looking and hard working, the Aviator comes with three rows of seats to accommodate up to seven people.

Base price \$41,000 (2004) **Type** Four-door sport utility vehicle
Base engine (hp) 4.6-liter DOHC V8 (302)
Optional engine None
Layout Front engine, rear four-wheel drive
Transmission Five-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy) 13/18
Safety Front airbags, side-curtain airbags with rollover protection, ABS, stability control (opt.), tire-pressure monitoring
Weight (lb.) 4,820
Basic warranty 4/50,000
Roadside assistance Yes
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CROSSFIRE

Impressions: One of the first and most tangible offspring of the Mercedes/Chrysler marriage is the Crossfire. The sleek little two-seater is based on the last-generation Mercedes SLK sports car and also uses the baby Merc's 215-horsepower V6 engine, transmission and suspension. Put the two side by side and you'd never believe it, though, since the styling is completely and utterly unique to each.

For 2005, Chrysler has spiced up the Crossfire line with the addition of a roadster model as well as high-performance variants wearing the in-house SRT (Street and Racing Technology) label. The Crossfire is available in base, Limited and SRT-6 trim levels all in either coupe or convertible. The stunning exterior is echoed inside with a wide center console that connects a prominent feature line from the hood through to the tail where a spoiler automatically raises and lowers based on speed. The SRT-6 models come with a hand-built, 330-horsepower supercharged 3.2-liter V6. A six-speed manual transmission is standard and a five-speed automatic optional in naturally aspirated models. The SRT-6 versions get an upgraded high-torque automatic. In all cases, Crossfire has enormous brakes and a mix of 18- and 19-inch wheels (unique alloys for the SRT-6). Standard equipment includes air conditioning, stability control, power windows and locks, dual-zone climate control and anti-lock brakes.



Base price \$29,900 (coupe) \$35,000 (conv) \$45,700 (SRT-6 coupe) \$50,000 (SRT-6 Roadster)
Type Two-door coupe, roadster • **Base engine (hp)** 3.2-liter SOHC V6 (215)
Optional engine (hp) 3.2-liter SOHC V6 supercharged (330)
Layout Front engine, rear-wheel drive • **Mileage (city/hwy)** 17/25
Transmission Six-speed manual, five-speed automatic with AutoStick function (opt.)
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS, stability control, traction control, tire-pressure monitoring
Weight (lb.) 3,010 • **Basic warranty** 3/36,000
Roadside assistance Yes • **Web** chrysler.com

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Impressions: General Motors' Saturn division has long promised to make leading-edge - if not ground-breaking - vehicles. With a new sports car in the works, disbanding of the L-Series sedans and wagons, and the addition of a new minivan, the little company that prided itself on dent-resistant door panels might just be on the brink of truly making a name for itself. For 2005, both the sedan and the Quad coupe, with its rear-hinged swing-out doorlets, receive a laundry list of refinements aimed at addressing customer feedback. Aside from interior upgrades to reduce noise, the steering calibrations and suspension bushings have been changed. Of the three trim levels offered, the up-level ION 2 and ION 3 get new alloy wheels and seats with larger bolsters. All sedans get a revised front fascia/grille this year. Interestingly, a four-speed automatic transmission replaces the continuously variable unit as well as the optional five-speed automatic. A five-speed manual continues to be available as standard gear. Under the hood is a 2.2-liter 140-horsepower four-cylinder. The Red Line gets a 205-horsepower supercharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder. Additional upgrades over regular IONs include new axle half shafts to help reduce unwanted torque steer (a condition where the car wants to pull to one side under hard acceleration), high-performance exhaust, four-wheel disc brakes with anti-lock sport suspension tuning, 17-inch forged alloy wheels, leather-trimmed Recaro seats and unique styling.

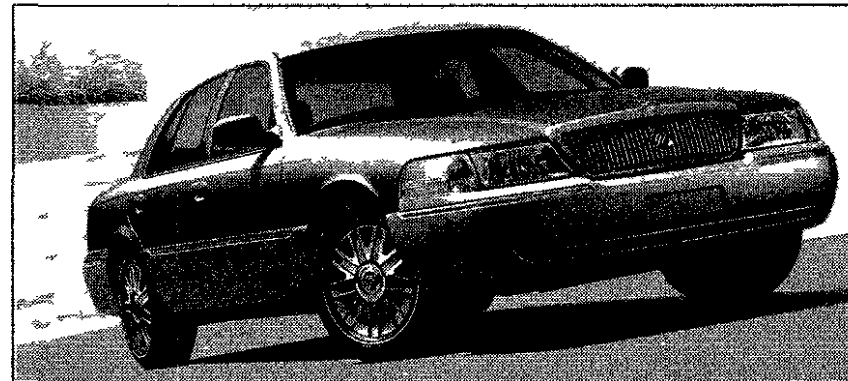


Base price \$11,400 • **Type** Four-door coupe, four-door sedan
Base engine (hp) 2.2-liter DOHC I4 (140) • **Optional engine (hp)** 2.0-liter DOHC I4 supercharged (205)
Layout Front engine, front-wheel drive • **Transmission** Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.)
Mileage (city/hwy) 26/35 (2.2 MT) • **Weight (lb.)** 2,690
Safety Front/head-curtain airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.), OnStar GPS tracking (opt.)
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** saturn.com

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GRAND MARQUIS

Impressions: The 2005 Grand Marquis is one of the last bastions of traditional American full-size rear-wheel-drive transportation. Typically the choice of older drivers, the Grand Marquis has always been geared to an audience that's not into trendy gimmicks. Always a favorite of those traveling long distances, the G-M is desired because of its body-on-frame construction, 224-horse 4.6-liter V8 powertrain, six-passenger seating, massive trunk and its ability to tow up to 1,500 pounds. For 2005, the hot-rod Marauder and its 302-horsepower 4.6-liter V8 are gone. That leaves the GS, GS Convenience, LS and LS Ultimate as the surviving kin. Upgrades and refinements for this year include a new wood-grain appliqué for the instrument cluster, new wheel choices and the availability of two-tone paint. A handling package brings unique wheels, a lower final drive ratio, rear stabilizer bar, rear air suspension and dual exhausts that release an additional 15 ponies. Buyers looking for a smooth ride, plenty of room and a taste of luxury will continue to look toward this big Merc. Look for a major revamp for 2006.



Base price \$25,100 (2004) • **Type** Four-door sedan
Base engine (hp) 4.6-liter SOHC V8 (224) • **Optional engine (hp)** 4.6-liter SOHC V8 (239, handling package)
Layout Front engine, rear-wheel drive • **Transmission** Four-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy) 18/25 • **Safety** Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS, traction control
Weight (lb.) 4,140 • **Basic warranty** 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** mercuryvehicles.com

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EQUINOX

(NEW FOR 2005!)

Impressions: Out with the old and in with the new. The Tracker and the four-door Blazer are gone, and the Equinox has arrived for 2005 as the entry-level Chevrolet sport-utility vehicle. Even with an extensive array of standard equipment, including a 185-horsepower V6, five-speed automatic transmission, air conditioning, power locks, windows and mirrors, height-adjustable driver's seat and 16-inch wheels, the Equinox is priced below even the least expensive Blazer. Finally, a small Chevy sport ute that will give Honda and Toyota a run for their money. To do so, the Equinox features a 60/40 split rear seat that slides fore and aft through a range of eight inches, allowing you to choose between more leg room or cargo space, depending on what's needed at the time. Other innovations include an electric power steering system and a rear cargo-compartment cover that's carpeted on one side and has a washable plastic surface on the other so you can choose between appearance and ruggedness. The tray also fits into a trio of slots set at different heights so it can be used as a picnic table, work station or for multi-level storage. The front passenger seatback also folds flat, just in case you need to transport long building materials or a stepladder. The Equinox is a front driver unless equipped with the on-demand, all-wheel-drive system that diverts some power to the rear when slippage is detected. Primarily an on-road system, this slip-and-grip setup still allows off-road mobility to get you home when the going gets rough.

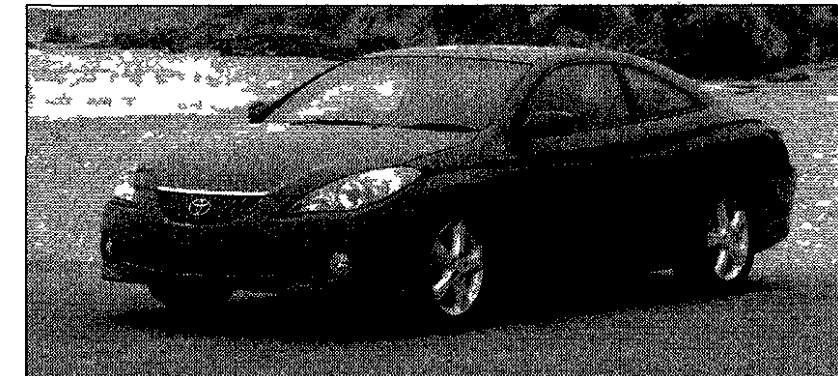


Base price \$21,000 • **Type** Four-door sport utility
Base engine (hp) 3.4-liter OHV V6 (185) • **Optional engine** None
Layout Front engine, rear/all-wheel drive • **Transmissions** Five-speed automatic
Mileage (city/hwy) 19/25 • **Weight (lb.)** 3,660
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags (opt.), ABS (opt.), OnStar GPS tracking (opt.)
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** Yes • **Web** chevrolet.com

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CAMRY SOLARA

Impressions: Even as the most flamboyant pair of Toyotas in the entire lineup, the Camry Solara coupe and convertible would still have to be considered conservative in the grand scheme of things. That's not a knock against them by any stretch of the imagination, it just means that these sleek Toyotas, which are based on the Camry sedan platform (hence the name), still mesh with a lineup full of well-built and technically sophisticated vehicles. A 157-horsepower 2.4-liter four-cylinder is standard on coupe models, while Toyota has deemed that top-down convertible driving requires the 225-horsepower supplied by a 3.3-liter V6, which is also optional in the coupe. That just happens to be the same engine that's in the Lexus ES 330 sedan. A new five-speed automatic transmission backs up the V6, while a five-speed manual transmission or optional four-speed automatic is bolted to the 2.4. Pick a coupe and you have your choice of three trim levels, try on a convertible and you'll have a choice of two. Even base models receive anti-lock brakes, side-impact airbags, tire-pressure monitoring, air conditioning and all the power fixin's you can handle.



Base price (including destination) \$19,700 \$26,900 (convertible)
Type Two-door coupe, convertible • **Base engine (hp)** 2.4-liter DOHC I4 (157)
Optional engine (hp) 3.3-liter DOHC V6 (225) • **Layout** Front engine, front-wheel drive
Transmission Five-speed manual, four-speed automatic (opt.)
Mileage (city/hwy) 23/31 • **Weight (lb.)** 3,175
Safety Front airbags, side-impact airbags, side-curtain airbags (opt.)
ABS traction control (opt.), stability control (opt.), tire-pressure monitoring
Basic warranty 3/36,000 • **Roadside assistance** No. • **Web** toyota.com

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