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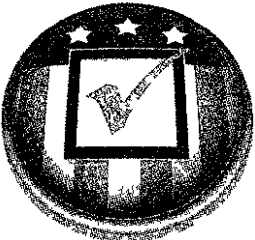
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Does your charity or organization sell holiday cards to raise funds? If so we want to let our readers know about the selection you're offering. In late November the *Observer* Community Life section will feature an entire page of holiday cards in full color.

Send samples of your cards with information about your charity and where to obtain cards to Hugh Gallagher at *Observer* Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150. Deadline to receive information is Wednesday, Nov 10.

Overdue notices

The Plymouth District Library will now provide advance e-mail notification for library materials that will soon be overdue. An e-mail message to patrons will appear in their e-mail mailboxes three days prior to the overdue date. Patrons who would like this service provided should call or stop at the library and have their e-mail address added to their library record. The e-mail addresses will only be utilized for this notification service and not shared or used for any other purpose. For more information, call the Plymouth District Library, (734) 453-0750, Ext. 5.

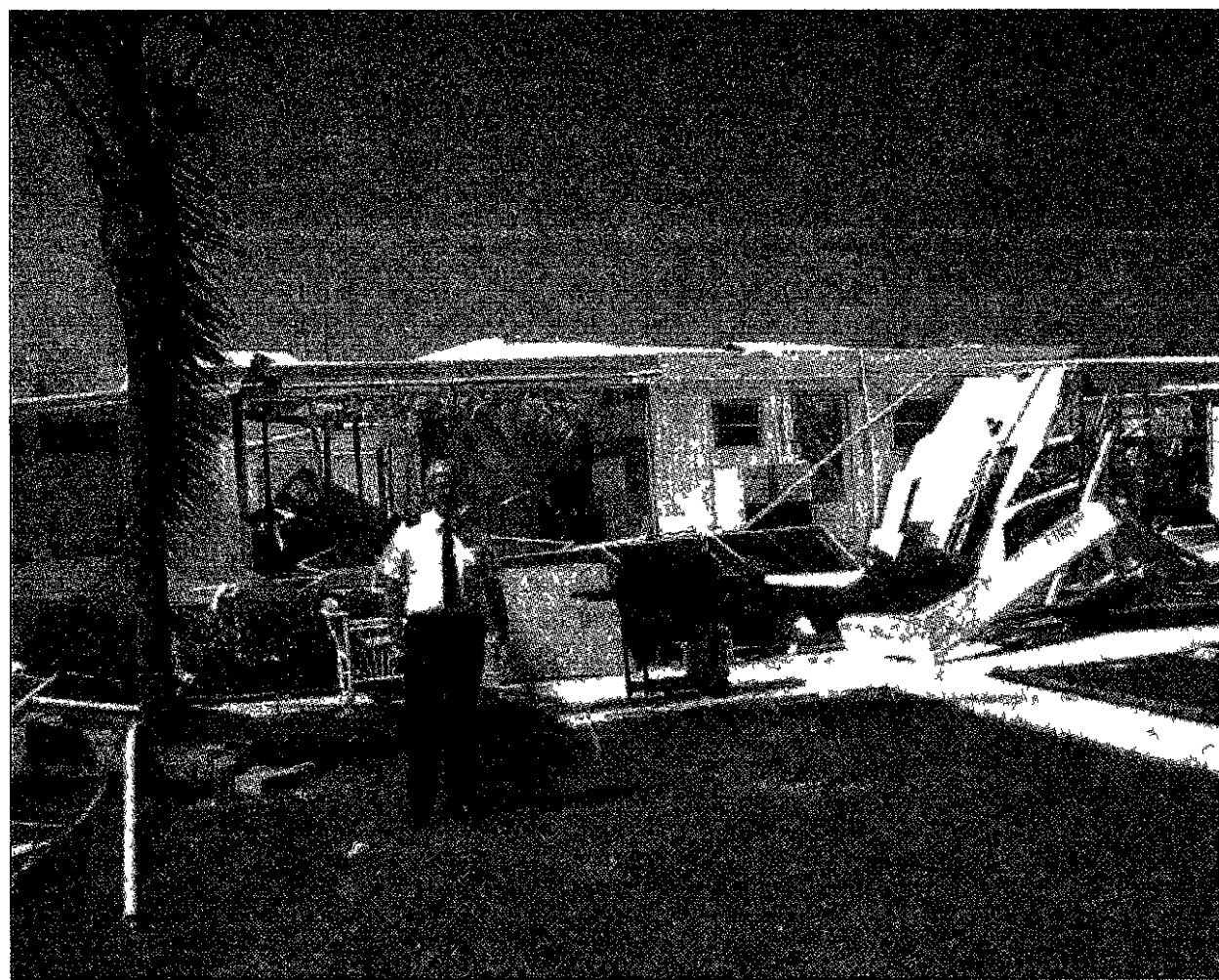
Scarecrow winners

Volunteers from the Michigan Humane Society were the big winners in the Plymouth



Community Chamber of Commerce Scarecrow contest in Kellogg Park this year. The Women's National Farm & Garden Association won second prize, with third place going to Smith Brownie Troop 184.

The scarecrows are on display 24 hours a day through Nov 1.



Plymouth Salvation Army volunteers traveled to Florida recently to help with the devastation wrought by hurricanes like the damage done to this mobile home community.

On the road with relief

Salvation Army sends help in wake of hurricanes

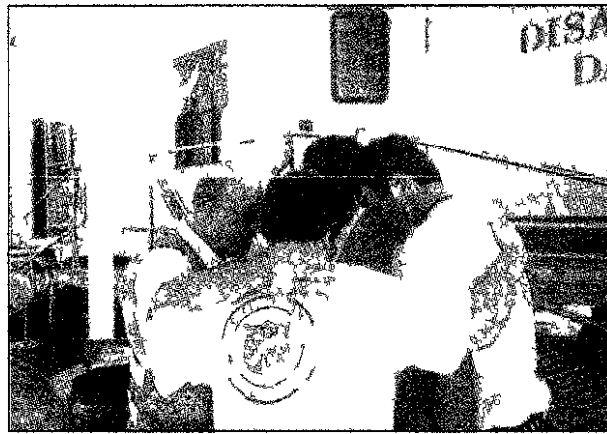
BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

When Ross Myers looks back on the weeks he spent in Florida after the hurricanes hit, one thought crosses his mind: How lucky Michigan residents have it.

After witnessing the total devastation, Myers, the Plymouth Salvation Army's supervisor of

disaster services and Corps Sergeant Major, was struck by the utter hopelessness of it.

"It was depressing," said Myers, sent by the Salvation Army to be a chaplain and to help out with relief efforts. "When you walked in there, you had all these people sitting there. There was no



Maj. Bill Hogg (left) leads Salvation Army volunteers in a prayer as workers get ready to provide relief to hurricane-ravaged Florida and Alabama.

PLEASE SEE RELIEF, A5

IKEA puts Canton on retail map

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

'Location, location, location.' That's the way Canton Supervisor Tom Yack frequently sums up his opinion on why many home buyers choose Canton.

Now, it's the same reason he's using to explain the decision made by Swedish-based furniture retailer IKEA to locate in Canton Township.

IKEA, which bills itself as the world's largest home furnishing retailer, formally announced Monday it will build a 306,000-square-foot store at the site of the old Super Kmart at Ford Road and Haggerty. The announcement ended some two years of speculation and rumors

the furniture retailer was looking to locate in the area.

"This is a very important announcement in Canton's history," Yack told the crowd of officials and journalists at Monday's press conference.

Homebuyers continue to select Canton as their place to live and they do so for a variety of reasons," he said. "It's a safe and secure community, it has a well-respected school district, outstanding leisure facilities and programs, low millage rates, a great community for young families and location, location, location."

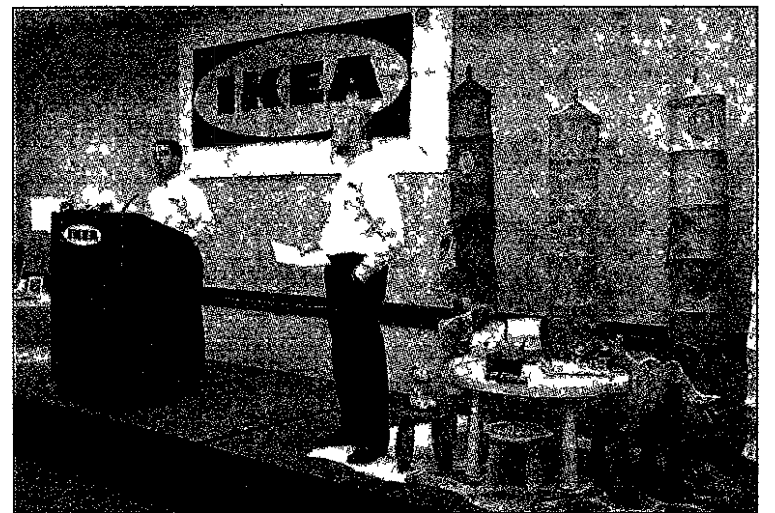
It's that last attribute, he said, that was most attractive to IKEA in their site selection process, an assessment which IKEA real estate director Pat

Smith confirmed.

"We have been looking in southeastern Michigan for a long time now for a store," he said.

"We have found absolutely the best location. You cannot have better than the site we've picked in Canton Township."

IKEA, which has more than 200 stores in 32 countries, including 21 in the United States, typically locates along major freeways and Interstates, since its customer base ranges far beyond the communities in which the stores are located. "IKEA recognizes the potential customer base that exists for us here in the Metro Detroit area," said Joseph Roth, director of public affairs for the company.



Joseph Roth, director of Expansion Public Affairs for IKEA, speaks to a large crowd at the Summit in Canton for the opening of IKEA in Canton. Right is Pat Smith, IKEA's real estate director.

LOCAL IMPACT

But what will be the effect on the township when the store

opens, if all goes according to schedule, in the summer of

PLEASE SEE IKEA, A8

Youth takes on \$80K fountain project

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Community Youth Commission has taken up the challenge of raising nearly \$80,000 to replace the fountain in Kellogg Park.

The commission Monday night voted to conduct a design contest, challenging youths to come up with an idea to replace the fountain, which fell and smashed into pieces while being repaired in May.

Youth Commission chair Lauren Blackley, 16, of Plymouth

Township said there definitely is pressure on the group to replace a community icon.

"It will be tough to live up to, but it will also be something our group will be remembered for," said Blackley. "We hope people will like it and enjoy it as much as we will enjoy doing it."

The 11-member commission, made up of youths from both Plymouth and Plymouth Township, set a deadline of Jan. 21 for design submissions.

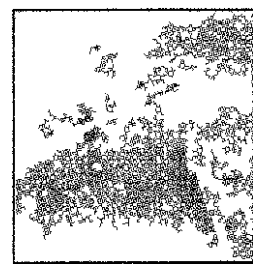
Blackley said the design contest isn't only about replacing the fountain.

"We have the power to not only bring the Youth Commission into the community, but to get all the youth in the community involved," she said. "The groups have been somewhat isolated, and I think we can bring them all together by doing different projects in the community."

City Commissioner Michele Potter, who mentors the Youth Commission, said the group has already shown it's ready to take on the fountain challenge.

Design entries must be submitted at Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main.

Coming Sunday in your Plymouth Observer



Fight the flu
Despite the shortage of flu vaccine doctors say there are things you can do to stay healthy. See Sunday's Health section.

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Cold Stone Creamery debut will aid police fund, CCF

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Mary Martin of Plymouth Township found the recent presidential debates some what helpful in making up her mind on how to vote.

She's casting her vote for George Bush Nov. 2 'because I think he's a man of integrity, high moral values.'

The homemaker has seen a great deal of interest in this year's election 'because our country is unfortunately divided on a number of issues.' She likes Bush's experience and stance on getting rid of terrorists. Martin watched an interview with the president Monday morning on *Good Morning America*.

Anne Tartaglia of Plymouth Township and her mother are volunteers on the Kerry and Phil Truran for Congress campaigns. Tartaglia is a philosophy student at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor campus.

I'm so against Bush's policies, said Tartaglia, who supported Howard Dean in the primary. She rates the war in Iraq as one of her biggest issues, along with the environment. She found the debates scripted, although 'my opinion of Kerry improved somewhat.'

Her Lake Pointe yard con-

tains signs for both Kerry and Truran, although most signs in the neighborhood are for Bush.

I really would like to know how people came to their decision to vote for Bush,' said Tartaglia, who would like to see a neighborhood forum on election issues. 'This election is so emotional.'

Tartaglia is voting no on amending the constitution on same-sex marriage and is still undecided on the gambling proposal.

'I've read so much conflicting information, it's really hard to decide,' she said.

Karen Hartnett of Canton is a Bush supporter. 'I think he's doing the best he can do,' said Hartnett, who has a home-based distributor business, Reliv, which provides nutritional products. 'It just seems like he's got good moral character.'

Terrorism and abortion are among issues she weighed in deciding. She watched most of the debates and felt Bush held his own. 'I just think he's the right person for this time,' she said.

Hartnett doesn't favor recognizing homosexuality as an alternative to marriage, nor does she favor an expansion of gambling. Gambling and same-sex marriage are the two ballot proposals for Michigan

voters in 2004, with the latter supporting an amendment to the constitution to bar same-sex marriage.

They have so much voice that it's out of proportion, she said of the homosexual population.

Hartnett finds herself more of a Republican, even though she volunteered for the Democrats. 'As I'm getting older, I'm getting more conservative,' she said.

Mike Kertesz of Plymouth Township is the much-sought-after undecided voter.

I'm not either supporter right at this time. My wife's the big Kerry supporter,' said Kertesz, whose Lake Pointe yard has a sign for Kerry.

Terrorism and the economy are the major issues for Kertesz, who works for Wayne County at Metro Airport in equipment repair. He has found a lot of half-truths in the campaign. His work shift made watching the debates difficult, although he did see parts. Kertesz said he does plan to vote.

'You don't know really who to believe, he said. They throw this out and that out. You have to do a lot of research on your own.'

Sue Crosby of Canton voted absentee this year and cast her ballot for Bush. 'I really don't

want to change tracks, the homemaker said. 'I'm just afraid that it's going to get more unsettled.'

She voted 'no' on the gambling proposal, considering the Indian exemption unfair, and is against same-sex marriage.

Crosby didn't watch the debates, as she is tired of candidates picking on each other. She knows their issues and stands. 'I listen to the commentary afterward,' she said.

She appreciates being able to vote absentee. 'I don't have to deal with the lines,' she said.

Hartnett's husband, attorney Tom Hartnett, also voted for Bush this year. The war in Iraq was among his issues, along with abortion, partial-birth abortion in particular. He was raised as a Catholic, and had difficulty accepting John Kerry's views on abortion.

Hartnett has been active in the Democratic Party and ran for township trustee in Canton as a Democrat.

'There comes a time, he said.

Mary Martin's son Scott taught in Venezuela for a time, and she recalls the undemocratic government there.

'People need to get out and vote and be grateful for the opportunity we have,' she said. 'It made me thankful for this country and that things are

done in an orderly manner. I appreciate the system so much.'

Nikolay Deviatkin isn't eligible to vote in the Nov. 2 election, but the visiting Russian pastor, who is spending six weeks at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton, has observed the election season.

Deviatkin said he and many Russians favor Bush, as he and Russian President Vladimir Putin have a good relationship. 'And Russia will be better,' Deviatkin said.

With Kerry, they're unsure what that relationship will be. Russians participate in elections, and Deviatkin voted for Putin rather than the Communist or others. City and district elections are held, as well.

At home, Deviatkin tries to stay informed on news.

'This (the news) is my favorite program on TV,' he said.

He recently visited Plymouth Township to learn about elections and noted that, in Russia, elections are all done on paper.

'Very interesting, when I was in township,' said Deviatkin, who said he enjoyed seeing the voting equipment.

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The store will be at 50409 Independence Street, at the corner of Ridge Road and Cherry Hill Road in the front corner of the big yellow Village store building.

The grand opening will be held on Saturday Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Cold Stone Creamery will donate a percentage of sales opening day to the Canton Community Foundation and the Canton Police Benevolence Fund.

Joan Noricks, president of CCF, said the event is another great first for Cherry Hill Village.

This is the first business in Cherry Hill Village. I walked over and I saw residents peeking in the building. To see the commercial entities in Cherry Hill Village in their infancy is not too overdue. I hope everyone in the store and helps us raise money for the police fund and CCF.

Cold Stone Creamery will offer its customers a free spoon serving throughout the day.

Cold Stone Creamery's ice cream, frozen yogurt and sorbet are made fresh daily at each store. Customer customize their order of ice cream and yogurt with one or more of a variety of mix-ins including fresh fruit and nuts, pie fillings, brand name chocolate and gummy candies, cookie dough, soft freshly baked brownies and more. Crew members fold the mix-ins and the ice cream together on a frozen granite stone set at 16 degrees, ensuring that the concoction is blended evenly and that the ice cream unit is creamy consistency.

A trip to Cold Stone Creamery is a treat for all the senses, said Canton store owner Barbara Mulder. You'll experience that aroma of fresh-baked brownies and waffle cones, the sight of candies and toppings arranged above the granite stone, and the energy and enthusiasm of our crew members who blend hundreds of creations every day.

Mulder said the store will have about 25 employees, most of whom are part-timers.

Pumpkin Pass on Pumpkin Pie, Snowflake Passion, and Candy Cane Wonderland are seasonal offerings at the store.

The Canton Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to enhance the quality of life in Canton and surrounding areas by identifying and directing resources that address current and evolving community needs through grants from permanent endowments entrusted to the Foundation for the common good.

With more than 800 stores from coast to coast, Cold Stone Creamery plans to establish 1,000 stores by Dec. 31, according to the company. Their Web site is www.coldstonecreamery.com.

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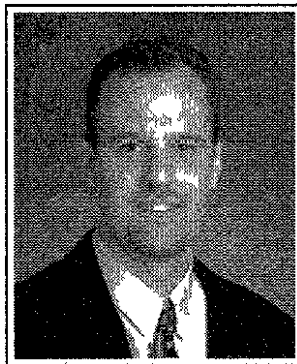
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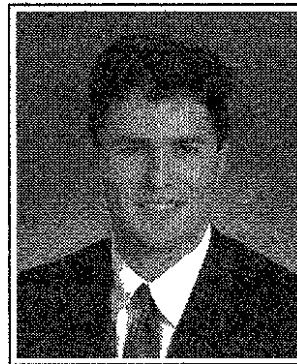
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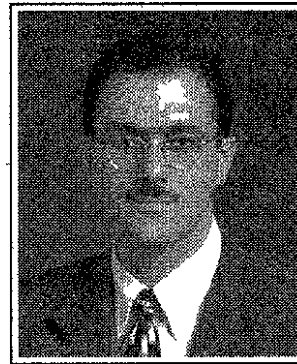
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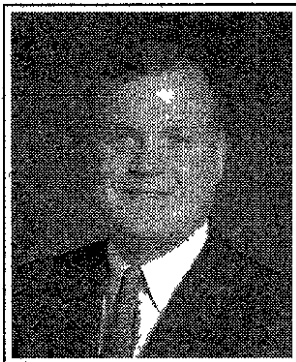
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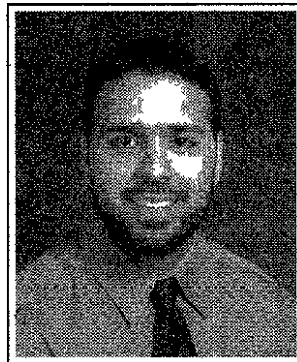
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Plymouth reporter named top journalist District settles on land sale

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

For a radio guy, Plymouth Observer reporter Tony Bruscato is finding quite a bit of success as a print journalist. Bruscato, twice honored for his work by the Michigan Press Association, last week added the highest honor his peers can accord him when he was named the Observer & Eccentric's 2004 Journalist of the Year.

"Tony epitomizes what it means to be a community journalist," said Phil Power, owner and chairman of the board of HomeTown Communications Network, the O&E's parent company. "Our mission is to nurture the lives of our readers, and no one does that better than Tony."

Bruscato, who earned a bachelor's degree in communications from Indiana University in 1975, started as a temporary reporter at the Observer's Livonia headquarters in 1997, after a long broadcast journalism career that included nearly 10 years at WWJ and four years at WKBD TV.

He moved out to the Plymouth Observer in 1998 and has covered the City of Plymouth and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools ever since. He broke the story of the murder of Tracy Islam, for which her estranged husband, Azizul, was convicted in October 2000, and also covered the story of the child-care shooting death in Plymouth



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HomeTown Communications Network Chairman Phil Power (left) congratulates Plymouth Observer reporter Tony Bruscato the 2004 Observer & Eccentric Journalist of the Year.

Township earlier this year. "Tony has done an excellent job of balancing a whole variety of stories," said Plymouth city manager Paul Sincock. "I've always said that, from time to time as government officials, we're going to do something that doesn't make any sense. Tony is going to report that, and rightfully so. Other times we do good things, and he reports that, as well. He works hard at getting the news," Sincock added. "I really think he has the interests of the readers at heart when he's out digging for the story. Bruscato was recognized not

only for his writing, but for his involvement in the community. For instance, rather than report on a school trip to Space Camp in Florida, Bruscato accompanied the class. He's also on the board of directors for the Plymouth Community United Way, and he's a member of the Plymouth Rotary Club. "This is a great job," Bruscato said. "You get to be part of a community, you get to meet new people and even better, you get to tell their stories."

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BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

If at first you don't succeed, try, try, again.

And, by doing that, Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is \$76,000 richer. The Board of Education Tuesday night sold a 15.2-acre parcel of vacant land on Warren Road in Canton Township to RDK Homes for \$426,000.

In September, the school board was approached by developer Richard Lewiston, who increased his offer from \$300,000 to \$350,000. However, on a 3-3 vote, the board rejected the offer and referred the issue back to the facilities committee. Also on the table was the

offer by RDK Homes. However, it was conditional on the home building company being able to construct eight houses on the property. The main concern was how much wetlands would cut down on usable land.

School attorney Gary Collins said a more favorable deal was recently consummated with Richard Kime of RDK Homes. "We were successfully able to negotiate an unconditional offer at the full value of the \$426,000," said Collins. "We do have an appraisal at \$300,000, so we received a 40 percent premium over the appraisal price. It's a good sale."

Lewiston's attorney, Bryan Amann, said his client wanted the property to go along with

an adjacent seven acres to construct a subdivision. Amann said without the school property, Lewiston may sell his property to a Montessori school which plans to build in Canton.

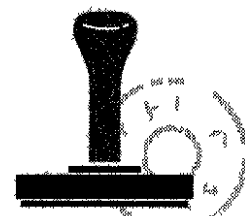
"I'm very pleased with the way the processed worked out," said Trustee Richard Ham-Kucharski. "I'm glad to see this is an unconditional offer at the premium price."

Board President Mark Slavens claimed all along the district could get more than the original offer of \$300,000 for the land.

"We need every single dollar we can get," said Slavens. "There was some public pressure put on us. I think we got a fair price for this."

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FOR THE RECORD



For the Record appears in every edition of the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's Sports section in Passages on page C13.

DEATHS

B
Mary Bristol Beier, 81, of Walloon Lake, formerly of Birmingham, died Oct. 21.

R
James Edward Rawson, 75, of Westland, died Oct. 22.
Lowell Erik Rehner, 88, of Plymouth, died Oct. 19.

S
Margaret J. Solano, 86, of Rochester Hills, died Oct. 24.

W
Gavin F. Wilson, 83, of Bloomfield Hills, died Oct. 24.

Z
Esther Zelinsky, 89, of Monroe, died Oct. 22.

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period Oct. 20-26:

Tuesday, Oct. 26 - Commercial rescue run on Main, residential rescue runs on Manton and on Farmer, rescue run at Main and Ann Arbor Trail, investigation on Sheldon.
Monday, Oct. 25 - Residential rescue run on Heritage.
Sunday, Oct. 24 - Rescue run on North Territorial, residential rescue runs on Portsmouth Crossing, on Parkview on Sheridan and on Haggerty, single family fire on

Penniman

Saturday, Oct. 23 - Commercial rescue run on Haggerty, residential rescue runs on Harvest, on Rismen, on Ann Arbor Trail, on North, on Woodgate and on McClumpha, rescue run to a public building/school on Main.

Friday, Oct. 22 - Vehicle accidents on I-275 at Ann Arbor Road and at Main and Judson, investigation on Sheridan, residential rescue runs on Shadywood, on Haggerty, on Parkview, on Eastside and on Farmer.

Thursday, Oct. 21 - Downed wires on Ann Arbor Road, rescue run on Church, rescue run to a public building/school on Ann Arbor Road, residential rescue run on York.

Wednesday, Oct. 20 - Industrial rescue runs on Sheldon, on Port and

on Schoolcraft, residential rescue runs on Sheridan, on Portsmouth, on Pinewood Circle, on Palmer, on Northville Road and on Greenbrook, downed wires on North Territorial east of Beck, rescue run at the Fleet parking structure, commercial rescue run on Main, rescue runs to a public building/school on Ann Arbor Road and on Beck, vehicle fire at Ann Arbor Trail and McClumpha.

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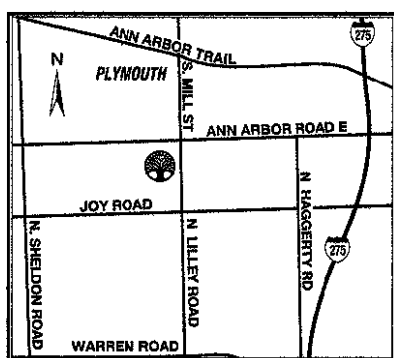
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IKEA furniture store is a popular regional attraction

Dr. Jerry Charbonneau fondly remembers walking into the IKEA furniture store in suburban Chicago and being amazed by the completeness of it all.

IKEA stores are like a city within a city, with restaurants and its model-home format that help make the stores destination stops for furniture shoppers.

IKEA officially announced Monday it had chosen Canton Township as the location for its newest store. Charbonneau, chair of the sociology department at Madonna University in Livonia, said shoppers have a lot to look forward to.

"It's amazing," he said. "They

have everything there. It's really the epitome of globalization."

As part of its aggressive North American expansion, IKEA plans to open five new stores annually.

IKEA's 310,000-square-foot Canton store is expected to open in the summer of 2006. Its 21-acre location is the northwest corner of Haggerty and Ford, built on the closed Super Kmart site. The Super Kmart building will be demolished so that the two-story IKEA store can be built.

IKEA plans to spend more than \$1 million to make infrastructure improvements,

including street and off-ramp widenings as well as enhanced signalization.

The first two letters of IKEA stand for Ingvar Kamprad, the Swedish man who founded the company in 1943. The last two letters represent Elmtaryd, the farm where Kamprad grew up, and A represents Agunnaryd, a parish in southern Sweden.

The blue-on-yellow IKEA logo is reflective of the company's Swedish heritage, incorporating colors from the country's flag. The company also celebrates Swedish culture by serving Swedish meatballs and other related foods in the stores' built-in restaurants and

ready-to-assemble furniture to their home.

Local residents are thrilled at the prospect of having the store in town. Paul Kogut of Canton said IKEA's arrival will be exciting.

"It's probably a good thing to have around here," he said. "But it's a shame they have to tear down a building that's only 5-6 years old."

When IKEA builds its two-story building on a 21-acre site on Ford west of I-275 complete with 1,100 parking spaces, the old Super Kmart will be demolished.

Kogut and his wife plan to add IKEA's modern-styled

ready-to-assemble furniture to their home.

"We've already talked about buying a new bedroom set," said Kogut's wife, Barbara.

Globally, there are 84,000 IKEA employees (IKEA refers to them as "co-workers") with 8,000 of them working in the United States. Employees only need to work 20 hours weekly to qualify for benefits, which include full medical/dental, 401K, tuition assistance and more.

The nearest IKEA stores are located in Schaumburg, Ill., Bloomington, Minn. and Toronto, Ontario (four locations). A second Illinois store

is in the planning stages and is expected to open near Chicago. IKEA has several California stores and has a stronghold on the East Coast.

Stores are set up with a model home format showing customers how furniture can be incorporated into a variety of "life situations."

IKEA sells most of its furniture in flat-packed packaging and is designed to be assembled at home. Stores are set up with a self-service format that allows customers to pick out what they want, take it home and put it together.

For more information, visit www.ikea-usa.com

Local stores welcome competition from IKEA

BY JACK GLADDEN
STAFF WRITER

Local furniture stores don't seem to be very nervous, or intimidated, by the impending arrival of IKEA, the Swedish-based furniture giant.

Lynn Bowen, store manager for the La-Z-Boy store on Ford Road in Canton, about a mile east of the proposed IKEA store, said she welcomed the newcomer.

"We think it's great," she said. "Other furniture businesses in the area increase our business, for the most part."

Bowen, who said she has been to the IKEA store in Illinois, said they deal in a whole different line of merchandise. She also liked the idea that IKEA would be taking over the old Super Kmart site.

"I think it's great for that area of Ford Road," she said. "I don't think any new development should go up until those empty buildings are taken care of."

She said the proximity of IKEA to La-Z-Boy wasn't a problem.

"I've been with La-Z-Boy for 13 years," she said. "I've worked at stores that had other competitors across the street. I think it will enhance our business. I'm a pro-business per-



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Canton trustee Karl Zarbo, who is manager of Livonia Mall and one of the driving forces behind bringing IKEA to Canton, speaks at the press conference as IKEA real estate director Pat Smith looks on.

son. This couldn't help Canton any better."

Don Wurm, owner of Laurel Furniture in Plymouth, expressed similar views.

"It's a whole different market," he said. "We cater to different people than they do. We have our own decorator and we can give you a sofa with 900 different fabrics."

Laurel Furniture, which has been in Plymouth for 37 years, deals in more traditional family-oriented furniture, such as living room and bedroom sets. IKEA deals in flat-packed ready-to-assemble furniture.

"IKEA is all assemble your self furniture," Wurm said.

They're going for a younger generation. They're big, and they generate traffic. It might even bring more interest in furniture to the area. I think

some of our best years were when there was a lot of competition."

And Eric Buzenberg, co-owner of Walker-Buzenberg in Plymouth, a high-end furniture store that has been around for more than 70 years, agreed. "I think it's going to be great," he said.

It's a good retailer in general to bring to this area. I think IKEA will bring customers to this area who normally might not come to Plymouth-Canton. That will spill over to the other stores.

Officials of Gardner White Furniture, which also has a Ford Road store east of I-275, did not return phone calls seeking comment.

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PS Bursitis is neither arthritis nor tendonitis (an inflamed tendon that causes pain only when you move)

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Catholic women's conference focuses on defending faith

BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
CORRESPONDENT

Being a Catholic woman in today's world can be a struggle, but it can also provide opportunities to make great changes in families and society, says Mary DelPup, Archdiocese of Detroit evangelization coordinator.

"They're confronted by a culture that is oftentimes contrary to what they believe as Christian women," DelPup explains. "That's difficult in today's world considering so many issues confront us from abortion, to euthanasia to same sex relationships. A Catholic woman needs to know who God created her to be."

Giving women a forum to discuss and learn about their role as Christians is the theme of the second annual Women's Conference, "Putting on the Armor of God, Catholic Women Defending Faith and Family," sponsored by the archdiocese and Catholic radio stations, WCAR and WDEO.

The event is Saturday, Oct. 30, at St. Joan of Arc Parish in St. Clair Shores beginning at 8 a.m. with Mass celebrated by Cardinal Adam Maida. The program is expected to conclude at 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40, which includes breakfast and lunch.

"It's aimed to help women understand that if they're imbued with the spirit of the gospel that they can impact society and in fact, with the power of numbers, they can change the world," DelPup says.

The conference will be emceed by Teresa Tomeo and Mary Dudley. Tomeo is a local television and radio reporter who also has a media consulting firm and a show, "Catholic Connection" on WDEO 990 AM. Dudley is a talk show host at Michigan Catholic radio, WCAR 1090 AM.

Being a Catholic woman is very difficult if you're truly living out the faith, Tomeo says.

"It's following all the church's teachings on life issues, family issues, contraceptives - the whole bit. It's really understanding the faith and who you are and how you should form your conscience. How do I go into the voting booth? And not just going in, cafeteria style, picking and choosing what to follow."

DEFENDING FAMILY

Tomeo will talk about defending faith and family in the media. She will address how to challenge news, television and radio media, including producers of television shows, to air programs that are "moral and uplift families, moms, dads, children and babies, especially the unborn," Tomeo says.

"Jesus never said it would be easy to follow his word," DelPup says.

"He promised there would be a reward and to follow the gospel," she adds.

DelPup explains that she was born in 1950 and grew up during the height of the emphasis on everything being unisex in society and in the workplace.

"Christian teaching teaches us authentically who we are, she says. 'We're equal to men in the eyes of God and in dignity, but different. The differences between men and women are extremely important in today's world.'"

Women, she says, see with the 'eyes of love'.

"When women understand who God created them to be and that they have the capacity to make room for another, biologically, and that men cannot," DelPup says. "There is a great importance to that, even for women who cannot have children, because then they are called to be spiritual mothers."

She points to a woman's ability to have true love, intuition and sense other's needs as important qualities that they can bring to the business world, families and neighborhoods.

Convention speakers include Kimberly Hahn, a Catholic convert, author, public speaker and mother of six children who she home schools. Mother Agnes Mary Donovan, superior general for Sisters of Life in New York will talk about her order founded in 1991. Their ministry is to young pregnant women and unwed mothers, as well as to provide counseling for post-abortive men and women.

PUBLIC POLICY

Barbara Listings, president of Right to Life of Michigan, will speak about the importance of what one woman can do in the public policy arena. Sr. Ann Shields, Superior General for the Servants of God's Love based in Ann Arbor, will address the importance of prayer in a woman's life.

"This is strictly a woman's conference - there's a corresponding men's conference every year," DelPup says.

Last year was the first woman's convention in the archdiocese and it was such an overwhelming success, DelPup says, that organizers knew there had to be a follow-up.

"This offers an occasion for women to be renewed in their vocations, refreshed, recharged and revitalized, while rejoicing in the uniqueness of womanhood," DelPup says. "Our Blessed Mother was able to crush the head of the serpent. With Mary as our model, the mission God has given to women today is the same. When we understand our God-given dignity, then and only then, can we crush the culture of death that prevails in society today."

Earlier this week the conference was nearly sold-out. Registration is required, and information on tickets is available at dignityofwoman@aol.com or by calling (734) 459-9558. Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Confession will be offered throughout the day.

Murder mystery sure to lure 'who-done-it' fans

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

"They say it's very remote and quiet," said Ed Meade, his voice turning eerie as he begins talking about the lodge on an island in the middle of a lake in Northern America.

Step by step Meade sets the scene for a murder mystery he's directing for Parlour Theatre Productions the night before Halloween at the Forum in the Novi Sheraton. "Moosetrap" performances at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, should send chills up the spines of everyone in the audience.

Written by Angela Krist, otherwise known as the director, the play goes behind the scenes of rehearsals for Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap."

"It's a lot of fun, a mystery that's supposed to be a little bit spooky, almost a comedy," said Meade. "It takes place in early 1950s and features eight cast members with a stage manager who gets the audience involved. They're all characters and it turns out no one is really who they seem."

Paul (PW) Henry, a Westland resident, is playing a character who's supposed to be likable but his name is a play on T. Rex.

Rex T. Archer is a single guy who's known other cast members a long time, said Paul Henry, a sheet metal worker by day. At night Henry turns into an actor rehearsing and performing dramas and musicals such as the "Trial of God" at Trinity House Theatre and "Gilbert and Sullivan" at the University of Michigan. He used to do a bit of singing



Genee Nehs plays the wife of a murder victim in the Parlour Theatre Productions 'Moosetrap.'

professionally but turned to acting. The writer had a lot of cast members in mind when he wrote the play. He thinks he knows us.

Meade won't admit to writing the play let alone tailoring parts to cast members. All he will say is the plot involves poison.

"Genee Nehs, a nurse at St. Mary Mercy Hospital, is kind of flighty with a cat named Dee Dee who meets with foul play," said Meade who founded Parlour Theatre Productions with his wife Jeannine 12 years

ago. Her husband (in real life) Jerry gets poisoned with a poison that smells like wintergreen. The audience will enjoy it because the second half we review the clues for the audience so they get one more chance to solve it. In the meantime the cast is trying to solve it.

Tickets for "Moosetrap" are \$10 and available by calling (248) 449-6540. The Novi Sheraton is on Haggerty Road at Eight Mile.

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Every election year presents voters with a long, involved ballot to wade through. This year is no different with races for President, U.S. House, Michigan House, State Board of Education, University of Michigan Board of Regents, Michigan State University Board of Trustees and Wayne State

University Board of Governors races, Wayne County sheriff, county clerk, treasurer, register of deeds and county commission and state proposals. In an effort to prepare prospective voters for what they'll face on Tuesday, we're presenting this "sample" of a ballot for your community.

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4 YEAR TERM
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4 YEAR TERM
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2 YEAR TERM
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STATE PROPOSALS

PROPOSAL 04-1
A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL OF ANY FORM OF GAMBLING AUTHORIZED BY LAW AND CERTAIN NEW STATE LOTTERY GAMES

This proposed constitutional amendment would

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Should this proposal be approved?

YES
 NO

PROPOSAL 04-2
A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFY WHAT CAN BE RECOGNIZED AS A "MARRIAGE OR SIMILAR UNION" FOR ANY PURPOSE

This proposal would amend the state constitution to provide that the union of one man and one woman in marriage shall be the only agreement recognized as a marriage or similar union for any purpose

Should this proposal be approved?

YES
 NO

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6 YEAR TERM
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Students flock to public libraries

New library cards issued at record pace

A recent community initiative shows that students in Plymouth and Canton want library cards and are using them. During the first two months of this school year, the Plymouth District Library and Canton Public Library issued more than 2,500 new library cards to students throughout the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools from kindergarten to high school seniors. The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, Plymouth District Library, and Canton Public Library collaborated on the goal of providing every student in the school district with a library card. These institutions knew that many of the district's students already had a library card, but were not sure how many still needed one of their own. The overwhelming response to this new campaign surprised the libraries and the schools. During the first six weeks of

school nearly 15 percent of PCCS students received a new library card to either the Plymouth District Library or the Canton Public Library. With applications still trickling in, the libraries report that 30 percent of the students who received new cards have used them to check out materials. At the Canton Public Library this group of new library cardholders has checked out almost 4,000 items. "We were thrilled with the initial response and are now very pleased with the rate of library visits by our newest cardholders," said Pat Thomas, director, Plymouth District Library. Studies show that children who are read to at home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifelong learning. "The remarkable community response to this library card campaign shows that parents in Plymouth and Canton see great value in their libraries and recognize the link between library usage and educational success," said Canton Public Library Director Jean Tabor. "Helping children achieve their personal best is our goal at Plymouth-Canton



Smith Elementary kindergarten teacher, Maureen Visser, presents student Natalie Grossman with her new library card.

Community Schools," said Superintendent Jim Ryan, "and our libraries in Canton and Plymouth have always played a major role in supporting our students. The success of this recent library card program is gratifying for me as an educator. We will do all we can in our schools to encourage students and their parents to use their library cards as much as possible." A recent report by the National Endowment for the Arts, "Reading At Risk: A Survey of Literary Reading in America" found that fewer than half of American adults are now reading literature, with a 28 percent decline among 18-24 year olds in the last 20 years. The communities of Plymouth and Canton are experiencing library usage that challenges the national trends. Circulation rates at the two libraries show significant

increases every year, summer reading programs continuously set new records for participation, and registrations for library programs regularly exceed capacity. This collaborative effort between the Canton Public Library, the Plymouth District Library and the Plymouth Canton Community Schools grew out of the "What Are You Reading?" literacy initiative, a community wide effort to create a society of readers. It also ties into the Public Library Association "Smartest Card" campaign, a multi-year public awareness and advocacy effort to make the library card the most valued and used card in every wallet.

MILITARY NEWS

NEW MARINE

U.S. Marine Corps Private Anthony Stott, the son of Sherry Vickery of Plymouth, has completed Marine basic training at Parris Island, S.C. Stott came to the decision to become a Marine in December 2003, and attended boot camp at Parris Island, where he successfully completed recruit training and earned the title, "Marine." After completing boot camp, Stott reported to Marine Combat Training at Camp Geiger, N.C., then completed artillery school and is now stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C.



Stott

AIR FORCE TRAINING

Matthew T. Bryan of Plymouth has graduated from the Army ROTC Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as "Operation Warrior Forge," at Fort Lewis in Tacoma, Wash. The training provides the best possible professional training and evaluation for all cadets in the aspects of military life, administration and logistical support. Although continued military training and leadership development is included in the

curriculum, the primary focus of the course is to develop and evaluate each cadet's officer potential as a leader. The cadet command assesses each cadet's performance and progress in officer traits, qualities and professionalism while attending the course. Bryan is the son of Michael R. and Denise L. Stover of Plymouth. He is a 2001 graduate of Canton High School.

ROTC GRAD

Sean P. Conlen has graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officers Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as "Operation Warrior Forge," at Fort Lewis in Tacoma, Wash. The training provides the best possible professional training and evaluation for all cadets in the aspects of military life, administration and logistical support. Although continued military training and leadership development is included in the

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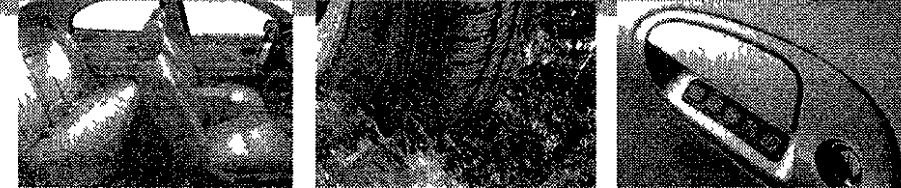
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OUR VIEWS

Elect Cox in 10th District

Of the two candidates seeking votes in the 10th District of the Wayne County Commission - which represents Livonia, part of Plymouth and Northville - we suggest voters select **Laura Cox**



Cox

Although she may be best known as the wife of Michigan's attorney general, Cox offers a combination of experience and determination that seems well-suited to the role of county commissioner.

As a former federal customs agent, Cox has firsthand knowledge of the public safety needs of our region and she puts a high priority on public safety, questioning this year's budget slashing of 133 Wayne County sheriff's deputies while adding staff in other areas. She also points out the obvious economic advantage of public safety spending - the need to make Wayne County a safe, attractive place to do business.

When it comes to budgets, Cox wants to see the county live within its means and pledges improved oversight, with a fairer distribution of spending for the 10th District.

Although never elected to an office herself, Cox is a veteran of political races and politics, with a self-described combination of tenacity and finesse that should add up to effective service for her community and her constituents.

Her opponent, Democrat David Garrett, is a Wayne County employee and union leader who has strong views on the operation of the airport, where he works. He wants more accountability and says he'd use his people skills and understanding of the county operation on behalf of residents.

However, Cox communicates a more effective command of issues facing the county and our community. For those issues, we recommend voters elect Laura Cox.

History is waiting for our decision

It's almost over. The candidates have made their cases. They've distributed their literature, knocked on your doors, given speeches at local halls.

This year, we've been courted hard by the candidates for president who see Michigan as a crucial swing state.

This year, two controversial proposals to amend the state constitution have drawn supporters and opponents to wage fierce battles on television and in the newspapers.

Now it's up to us, the voters. Rain or shine, we must go to the polls and cast our votes.

We have important state and local elections, where the public and government come into direct contact. This is where we have the possibility of dramatically influencing those decisions that will have an important impact on our lives. These are the elected officials who must respond to our questions, our complaints, our ideas. These are the officials who we can hold most accountable for their actions.

But the real focus of this election, as it is every four years, is on the contest for president.

No position in the world is as powerful as the presidency. No position in government is responsible for so many life-and-death issues. No position is so well-publicized and yet so remote from the average citizen.

Every four years, we are told this is the most important election in a generation. This year, it's true. This election is as crucial to our future as the elections of 1932, 1912 and 1860.

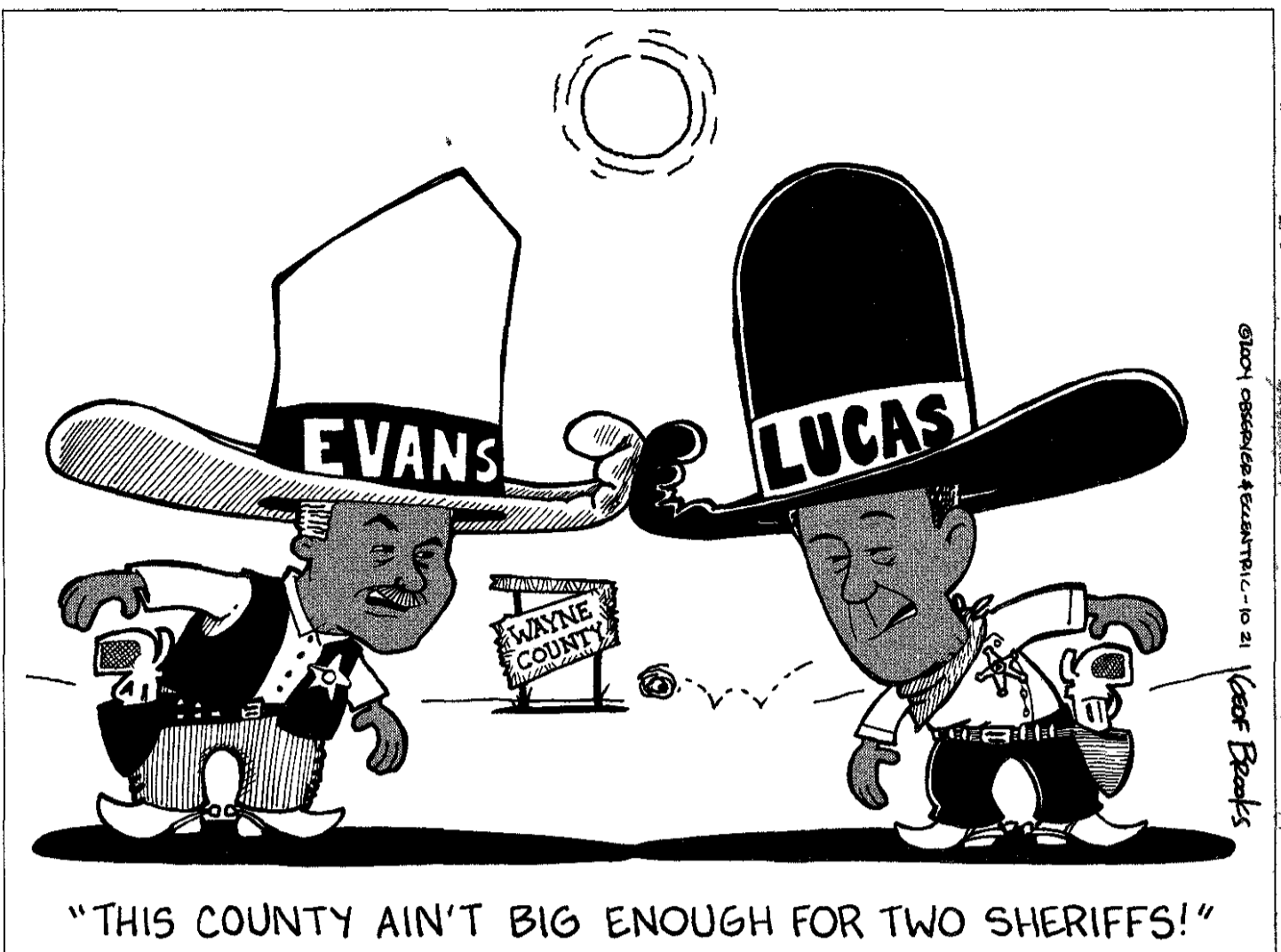
It is hard to believe there are still voters who haven't made up their minds.

We have a clear choice between two distinctly different visions for our future domestically and as a leader in the world community. We can continue down the path of the last four years or we can vote for change. We can ask ourselves, as Ronald Reagan once did of the Jimmy Carter years, are we better off now than we were four years ago?

However you answer that question, you have an obligation, a duty, to exercise your right to vote. But before you vote, you also have an obligation to read, study and understand. Don't just be a voter, be an informed voter.

This is your chance to play your part in history!

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Broderick for library

I'm writing to urge your support for Donna Broderick for Plymouth Library Board trustee.

Donna is well-qualified to sit on the Plymouth Library Board and will bring energy and vision to the post. Donna is dedicated to public service. After college, she worked in Washington D.C. for the U.S. House of Representatives and for the U.S. Department of Treasury.

She clearly has a strong background and has indicated a strong commitment to move our Plymouth Library forward in the coming years.

A vote for Donna Broderick is a vote for a strong library.

Kathleen Mooney
Plymouth

Supports Broderick

I am writing to express my support for Donna Broderick, who is running for a spot on the Plymouth Library Board.

Donna has been very active in the community over the last five years, volunteering at a number of community events including marching in the Good Morning America Parade on July 4, helping wrap gifts with the Plymouth Goodfellows and working with the Plymouth Community Arts Council. She also has taught catechism at Our Lady of Good Counsel.

Again and again, she has demonstrated her commitment to our town, and she will undoubtedly make a fine addition to the Plymouth Library Board. Please remember to vote for Donna Broderick for Plymouth Library Board trustee Nov. 2.

Stephanie Stoliker
Plymouth Township

Bring movies back

"Welcome to the Penn Theatre." That was what one would hear when they made a phone call to the Penn Theatre for movie information.

Now there are no more movies at the Penn Theatre and who knows what will happen to the name once the owner decides what restaurant or establishment will be housed in the old Penn Theatre. I would hope that the city would look into the feasibility of purchasing the theatre and running it as the Farmington Civic Theatre.

Has the city of Plymouth looked into it? Who really cares if there are not first-run movies, there were always long lines for the most popular movies that had been playing in the larger movie houses months before. It was a nice evening to go to the Penn to see a movie with your date/spouse/family so close to home.

It seems whenever a piece of property becomes available in Plymouth, an eating establishment opens soon. Wouldn't it be nice to keep some old-town nostalgia around? I agree with the gentleman who wrote the letter to the editor in last Thursday's *Observer*. Bring those movies back to the Penn!

Nancy Anne Chapman
Plymouth

Signs coming down

As a private citizen, I recently wrote a letter to the editor to alert the public to what appeared to be an emerging trend - placing campaign signs on private property.

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without the owner or possessor's knowledge or consent. I criticized this tactic as I believe it is a dishonest way for one to promote their candidate as it makes it difficult for the public to distinguish authorized signs, which are a fundamental expression of free speech, from unauthorized signs.

To provide background for why this trend has evolved, I explained that many communities have sign ordinances that regulate signs and mentioned that some community ordinances in the metro Detroit area have recently been constitutionally challenged.

I have taken no position on the constitutionality of anyone's ordinances, as a judge would have to review any challenge that might arise based on that specific ordinance and the controlling law. The point being that some communities enforce their ordinances and the latest tactic appeared to be a way to circumvent enforcement by placing unauthorized signs on another's private property. Since my letter was published many of the signs that appeared to be unauthorized have come down.

One reader took umbrage with my letter and expressed an opinion that I had somehow stifled someone's free speech. I don't know if that person misunderstood the point of my letter or if they believe that placing unauthorized signs on another's private property is a constitutionally protected act. I would be interested to see any law that supports that position.

In any event I have invited the author who took exception to my letter to visit your 35th District Court, as my guest, to see how we work on your behalf and how the law is applied.

Michael J. Gerou
35th District Court

Expressing ourselves

In my 10th-grade political and economics class we aren't allowed to "bless" people once they sneeze.

I personally see nothing wrong with it. I believe it's showing that person that you care about them. In our schools we all should have the right to express our religion, as long as we aren't forcing it upon others.

On the 9/11 anniversary we have a moment of silence each year. Blessing people and having moments of silence are more of a respect issue than being prejudiced to one certain religion. Our country was founded based on the Christian religion. We should be able to express ourselves in any way we want as long as we aren't hurting anybody else.

Kelsie Michalsen
Salem High School student
Plymouth

Thanks for support

The members of the Citizens Election Committee would like to thank the residents of the Plymouth-Canton community for supporting our school buildings and helping us to enhance the educational environment within our communities.

We would also like to thank the building representatives, countless parents, staff and district supporters who donated their time and energy in advertising the merits of both parts of the ballot.

Thank you again for the support you demonstrated.

Citizens' Election Committee

Unequal society

If there was ever any doubt that we live in an elitist, unequal society, our lawmakers have squelched that doubt once and for all.

They, and their aides (over 500 people) have received flu shots - free of charge! The reason given was that they have more contact with the public than the rest of us. Hogwash! What about teachers who come into contact with hundreds of students each day? Or people working in retail, the service industries, or offices? Unless they are campaigning, lawmakers have less contact with the public than any of us. They are relatively isolated and protected in Congress, when they are there - they enjoy far more time off from work (with pay) than other Americans.

Granted, some lawmakers are at risk and need to be vaccinated. But our younger, healthier civic leaders missed a golden opportunity to set an example, calm our fears and foster good will. I am tired of politicians who do not live by the same rules as their constituents.

Christine Kurth
Plymouth

Keep ideas coming

Thank you, Cyndi and Sharon, for the Small Learning Community.

I am so pleased to see the Small Learning Community and associated programs be funded by the \$1.18 million federal school grant. I was a parent of a ninth-grader and a member of the focus group when this was put together last year. The programs have been a life saver for the young people coming into the P-CEP high school campus.

I'd like to thank Cyndi Burnstein for her work and continued pursuit of the grant. I'd also like to thank and recognize Assistant Principal Sharon Streen who developed the original Learning Community ideas from the school board 'Initiatives Mandates'.

We all remember her hard work and outstanding presentation at the school board meeting, and their enthusiastic approval. As a parent and taxpayer who backed the recent bond, I look forward to even more of these good ideas. Keep them coming!

Tom Sullivan Jr.
Canton

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"We're glad to hear they're following up on that, but they need to follow up on the whole package. We pay an awful lot of money to the state, and we pay a lot of taxes at the gas pump every day, and we're not seeing a lot of results in our community."

- Plymouth Township Supervisor Steve Mann on MDOT's promises to help with traffic on Ann Arbor Road.

Both candidates ignoring real problems we're facing

As the presidential campaign lurches into its last few, frantic days, I find myself struck by some plain truths that virtually every well-informed person knows, but which have been largely ignored by the mainstream news media, who are primarily obsessed with covering "the horse race"

Moreover, when it comes to these enormously important subjects, both President Bush and Sen Kerry, each for their own reasons, have preferred to mostly clam up. I think we need to think about them.

Truth No 1 Iraq is a mess and we have virtually no choice other than to muddle through, probably for a few years, hoping for the best.



Phil Power

The key word here is muddle. We do not have enough troops on the ground to secure the country. We're not going to get much help from our "allies" or the United Nations. Those Iraqis who hate us are emboldened, those who like us are mostly silent, those who are neutral despise having their country occupied by foreigners. Declaring victory and withdrawing will either produce civil war or a (this time, real)

link-up with the terrorists.

President Bush doesn't want to say this because it would be a confession that his war was ill-founded on bad intelligence, impulsively decided, poorly planned and incompetently carried out. Sen Kerry doesn't want to say it because he doesn't have any realistic good options, either.

Truth No 2 The economy. Virtually every reputable economist and most business types are terrified of what's in store.

The national deficit is now a record \$415 billion, compared with the \$236 billion surplus when President Bush took office. We are now depending on the Chinese and the Japanese to keep us afloat by buying our debt (currently at a daily rate of \$17 billion), and nobody knows what will happen if they were to stop, perhaps out of fear that a new round of inflation in this country will devalue our repayments to them. The dollar is near a record low, while the unfavorable international balance of trade stubbornly persists. Oil prices are now at record highs, as anybody who has bought gas recently knows well, and high oil prices typically signal trouble for our economy.

President Bush doesn't want to talk about this because it would be a confession that the combination of his tax cuts and the costs of his war in Iraq represent a big part of the problem. Sen Kerry talks hopefully about rolling back tax cuts on the rich (through it seems unlikely that a Republican-dominated Congress would do so), but then proposes vastly increased government spending.

Neither wants to get into the details of their dubious plans for fear of annoying voters.

Truth No 3 The looming crisis — Social Security and Medicare.

The Economist magazine, no left-wing journal by any means, estimates the total present unfunded liabilities for Social Security and Medicare on our national balance sheet amount to \$74 trillion! That's equivalent to the entire gross national product for seven years.

Someday, sooner or later, the political system is going to have to face all this. President Bush is talking about letting some Social Security recipients invest part of their deductions in the stock market, which makes the stockbrokers drool, it also looked a lot better when the market was skyrocketing than it does today. Sen Kerry is accusing the president of wanting to "privatize" Social Security. Neither has displayed any serious interest in resolving, before it's too late, the real Social Security crisis.

Truth No 4 The coming Republican domination of our politics.

If President Bush wins, the Republicans will control the presidency and both houses of the Congress and will be in a position to nominate and confirm new members of the Supreme Court and other federal judges. Grover Norquist, the head of Americans for Tax Reform and a senior GOP strategist, says "the Democratic Party is toast" if the president is re-elected, because the Republicans have put emasculating the Democrats at the heart of their agenda. Contract out hundreds of thousands of government jobs (to eliminate Democratic campaign workers), pass tort reform (to hit the pocketbooks of the trial lawyers, who have now surpassed the unions as big Democratic contributors), and enact right-to-work laws (which allow workers to quit paying union dues).

President Bush doesn't say much about all this (it would sound too partisan). Neither does Sen Kerry (it would sound too alarmist).

So we end with a campaign in which the major issues are submerged, almost as if there was a willing conspiracy between both candidates and the media. Instead, all are preoccupied only with trying to figure out who's ahead, although the only poll that matters is the one on Nov. 2. As Election Day looms just around the corner, looking at all this makes me feel more desperately worried for our country's future than at any time in my life.

Of course, lots of thoughtful people also felt that way in 1932, at the depths of the Great Depression. More than once in our history, it has seemed to be awfully dark before the dawn, and I hope that once more, we see the light.

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

Manilow fans come out of woodwork, and the closet, to see farewell tour

Just like that, the relationship is over. No warning. No "can't we try again?" Just over, and all that's left is to deal with the emotional wreckage of a relationship that's lasted more than 30 years.

Sure, there's the promise that we'll remain friends. There's the possibility we'll run into each other on rare occasions. And when we do, it'll be nice, but not enough. For the most part, it's over. Barry Manilow is done touring.

The pop legend made the Detroit stop on what he called his final tour Saturday at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

I know you're shocked. You're stunned. You're saddened. Me, too.

The difference between us, more than likely, is that I'm not ashamed to admit it. Friends and family are well aware of my love of all things Manilow, from his days as the musical director for Bette Midler to the Broadway show he's about to open.

Of course, all that's done for me is expose me to derision and ridicule from just about every quarter. There are exceptions. My friend and mentor Annette Kingsbury, now a reporter for our Rochester paper, surprised me years ago with a tape she'd made of an appearance on A&E, a two-hour concert where he took live requests.

And Brenda Urch, the former receptionist in our Plymouth office, is nearly as big a fan as I am.

But, for the most part, friends and family tease me relentlessly. My niece — whose credibility is low to begin with because she thinks Britney Spears is awesome — has taken to following my wife's lead and referring to Manilow as "Barely Man-enough."

That amazes me, because the guy has done just about everything you can do as an artist. He's a 2002 Songwriters Hall of Fame inductee. He's won Grammy, Emmy and Tony awards. His *Ready to Take a Chance Again*, from the Chevy Chase-Goldie Hawn film *Fool Play*, was nominated for an Oscar.

Despite all the success, you can't get anyone to admit openly they're a fan. Stand around the water cooler at work and bring him up, and you get the standard jokes about his nose, about rumors surrounding his lifestyle, about the sappy style of music he plays.

Manilow, the Rodney Dangerfield of music, has never gotten respect, although he's always parlayed the disrespect into success. Remember how the lead character on TV's *Murphy Brown* hated him, until she realized his music was the only thing that soothed her son? Manilow made a cameo appearance on that show, and also on *Will*

& Grace, on an episode where Will waited in line for hours to get tickets.

Just Monday morning, as I was regaling someone with tales of the concert, my colleague (I'm withholding his name to protect his identity, for he lacks my Manilow-ian fortitude) said, "I love *Copacabana*, but I just can't bring myself to say so out loud."

He's had 38 Top 40 hits. He's not only won awards for his own performances, but music he's written for the likes of Midler and Dionne Warwick has also been Grammy-nominated.

My brother was one of the many men at The Palace who would probably have rather gotten root canal, until the piano-driven music gave him pause to think of his daughter, the Britney fan, who plays the piano.

He's not alone, especially in my family. When I called my sister to tell her I had an extra ticket with her name on it, my sister — studying for a Ph.D. — said she had "too much homework." On a Saturday I was just glad she didn't say, "I have to wash my hair."

A woman standing at the concession stand said she didn't bring her husband "because I'm a good wife."

I noted, in talking to her before the concert started, that many of the men appeared to be bearing pained expressions on their faces.

"That's why I brought my mother-in-law," the woman said, smiling. "I wouldn't do that to my husband."

It goes like that when you try to find Manilow fans. Yet, when we got to The Palace Saturday, we had to park about 103 miles away, in the "back 40" of the parking lot. The show, like the five times I'd seen him prior, was sold out. Some 20,000 people packed The Palace, applauding from first note to last.

I'm the first to admit there are some things that are hokey. The standard bringing of a woman onstage to sing *I Can't Smile Without You* seems forced sometimes, and surrounding himself with about half-a-dozen bodyguards to and from stage seemed overly dramatic.

I've broadened my horizons over the years. A friend got me to listen to R.E.M. back in the late 1980s. More recently, a friend introduced me to the Barenaked Ladies, who are, by the way, neither bare-naked nor ladies.

Though times, and tastes, change, it's always been nice to be able to go back to the basics. Like Lanus' security blanket, Manilow has been around when I needed him, which makes viewing his farewell tour bittersweet.

Thank goodness his next farewell tour can't be more than a couple of years away.

Brad Kadrich is community editor of the *Plymouth Observer* and an unabashed Manilow fan. He can be reached via e-mail at bkadrich@oe.homecomm.net or by phone at (734) 459-2700.

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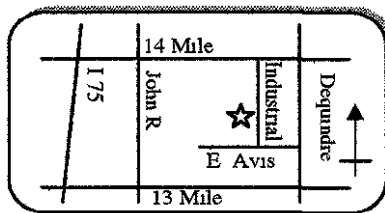
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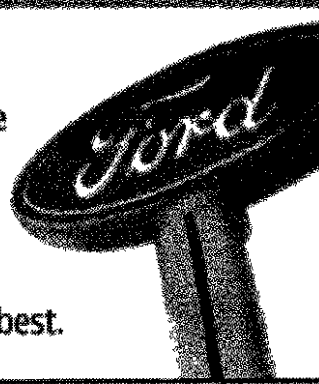
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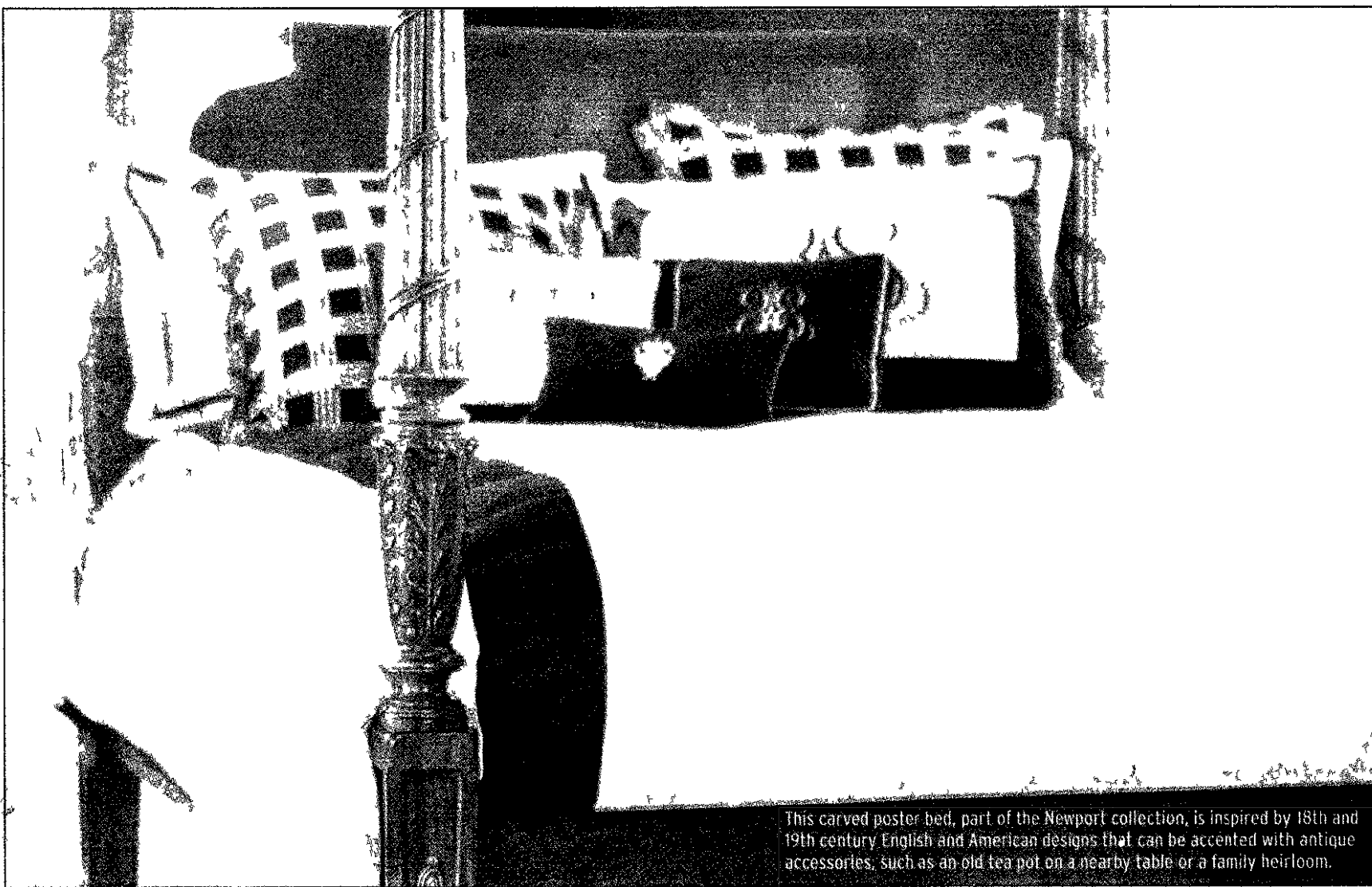
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FURNITURE

Some kind of Wonderful

Bedroom reflects simple pleasures

STORY BY DIANE GALE ANDREASSI
SPECIAL WRITER

tucked away in the back of the house or up a flight of stairs out of public view, the bedroom is sometimes the forgotten space when it comes to decorating.

But rest assured, it doesn't have to be forgotten altogether just because it's often last on the decorating list of things to do and usually obtains the least amount of sprucing up dollars.

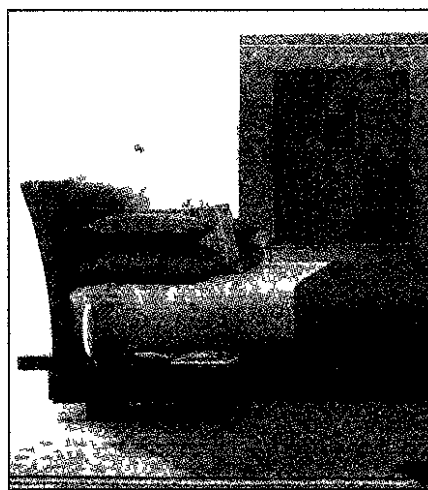
One way to cut down on expenses

is to browse resale shops. Deal hounds can find anything from entire bedroom sets to lamps and knick-knacks for the dresser tops.

Four poster beds can undergo a total makeover with a little fabric hung over the top or around the posts, he suggests.

"Some people buy single pieces to extenuate things they already have,"

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In Concert Bedroom Collection The king-sized, wood platform bed available in two finishes - dark (opera) and light (aria) - sits 12 1/2" from the ground. Complete with support for a mattress, the platform bed retails for \$4,999. The coordinating bedside table is also available for \$569.

Kids' rooms can have grownup attitude

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

You can think big as well as small when you're decorating a young person's room.

While some considerations for children should be met in furnishing and decorating the room, the furniture pieces you select can

grow along with the youngster.

"People have said I have the chest and dresser I had from Ethan Allen 25 to 30 years ago," said Karen Seta, interior designer, Ethan Allen in Birmingham.

The following should be addressed when furnishing a child's room, Seta said:

- how the room is going to be used
- color scheme or theme - Bright and cheery colors, and primary colors, are popular, Seta says
- safety issues - Furnishings should have protective edges and finishes, edges shouldn't be sharp
- gender
- activities - Will there be

a lot of sleepovers? Will two siblings be sharing the room?

Colorful rugs are popular for young people's rooms, says Azar Alzadeh, owner of Azar's Oriental Rugs in Birmingham.

"They love colors. They like modern rugs, fun rugs," she said.

Alzadeh recommends a pile rug rather than one with a flat weave, so it will be soft and comfortable.

Rugs with colorful patterns help camouflage dirt and spills.

Because the smallest person in the family often gets one of the smaller rooms in

PLEASE SEE **KIDS, B2**

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Michele Schiflar, co-owner of the Consignment Outlet, 44125 Ford Road in Canton, stands by a hand-carved Victorian bed that is complemented by chairs and wood base marble table. The store has locations in Plymouth and Orchard Lake and one planned for Livonia.



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KIDS

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the house, furnishings that can do double duty are good selections

Trundle beds are extremely popular, Seta said. Basic work stations in a young person's room should include a computer desk, and a piece with upper shelves or a hutch, Seta said.

Many desks are designed for the beginning computer user, she said.

Concerning storage, many people want an armoire or a similar piece that looks more like furniture, Seta said.

Pieces in Ethan Allen's Contempo collection include sleek night tables with casters so they can be easily moved, and hutches with a variety of shelf arrangements or adjustable shelves.

The Classic collection for girls by Ethan Allen features a hutch and desk in creamy vanilla, chocolate or toffee color, and night tables with drawers or shelves.

Among headboard designs are shutters, bookcases and a handpainted floral pattern. Armoires offer a corkboard and a mirror on the inside of the doors.

Bedding and decor elements can have a variety of themes. Target sets include Dora the Explorer, Sponge Bob Squarepants and Spider-Man, as well as sports and animal themes.

Kathryn Weber, a certified master practitioner in feng shui, offers fundamentals for children's bedrooms on the www.theallneed.com Web site. They include:

- Create a space for study and accomplishments - Having a dedicated space, including a desk and lamp where your child can study,

demonstrates to your child the importance you place on education and your child's educational achievement. Also make a place of your child's accomplishments. Doing so reinforces that you are proud of your child's efforts.

■ Clear the space so your child can rest and be creative - Jammed closets and drawers, beds with boxes, shoes and other items underneath must be cleaned out. Creating space and visual openness helps your child to feel less pressured, and more likely to be imaginative and creative.

■ Use light, color and art work in the room to make a happy environment - A child's room should stimulate, not dampen the child's spirit. Make sure there is adequate lighting for the desk, for a bedside table and that windows can be closed off for privacy.

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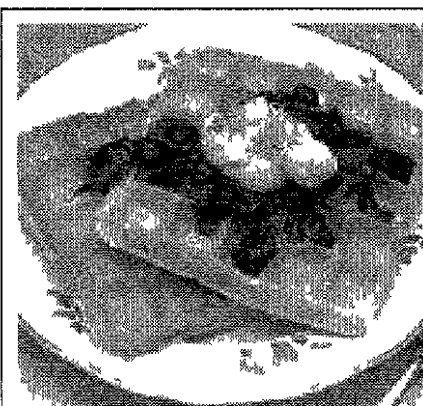
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Bring richness, warmth into bedroom

After 25 years of marriage, my husband and I have decided it's time to replace our bedroom furniture. Of course, it doesn't stop there. We will also be replacing all the bedding and the window treatments, and putting a fresh coat of paint on the walls. Where do we start?

- Susan P., Plymouth Township



Terri Guastella



Douceur du Fer is available in wrought iron and available in many colors. All furniture shown is available at Roche Bobois in Novi.

That's a great question, Susan, and you are in a similar situation that many people are. This is an important room and you are correct to assess your needs and have a plan in place before you begin.

Go ahead and start with the furniture. It is the "big ticket" item in the room and will be around at least another 25 years. Buy something you really love and purchase the best quality furniture you can afford.

With that said, I went to Roche Bobois in Novi and spoke with Greg Eitelman, who owns Roche Bobois with Edgar Hagopian, about what is new in the bedroom furniture market.

Eitelman mentioned that the trend in the master bedroom suite is to have rich, warm tones to create a luxury feel. Dark woods like cherry or walnut are very popular. Four-poster beds and sleigh beds have remained strong in the market, whether they are in the dark woods or in textural, aged metals. The variety in the materials allows the furniture to be at home in a traditional setting, contemporary, or a more transitional one.

Another area that brings a luxury feel into the master bedroom is the bedding. High thread count linens and beautiful textures are a treat and promote the pampered feeling that many people desire after a hard day's work. Look for quality down comforters and

decorative beaded, silk pillows. Bedroom seating purchases also have increased, Eitelman said.

Cozy, overstuffed chairs for reading and contemplation are showing up on the master bedroom scene. If the bedroom is on the small side, use a smaller chair or an upholstered bench at the foot of the bed. This bedroom seating idea goes hand in hand with homeowners wanting their master bedroom to be a retreat.

Consider avoiding the matched set of bedroom furniture to bring in a more casual European and comfortable look. Find some nightstands or side chests that work with the general theme of the room and coordinate with the bed's headboard, however, the nightstands and bed do not have to be of the same material.

Mix tones of woods, woods with metals, or any combination of materials to add visual interest. Note in the photo the overall look of comfort combined with simplicity - a very serene and luxurious bedroom, and yet it is not a matched bedroom set.

After purchasing your bedroom furniture and luxury linens, look to your paint as the next step. Paint is the most flexible item you can purchase for the least amount of expense. Keep in mind that color evokes feeling.

What is the feeling you want for your bedroom? Don't be afraid of bold colors, but remember this room is a place

of rest. Bold colors can be mentally stimulating and even irritating when viewed in large doses. If you love red, it may be best used as an accent color in the bedroom with pillows, valances, tiebacks and art work, and leave the red walls for the dining room.

Regarding your window treatments, the possibilities are endless. Some people prefer a tailored and layered look, while others like sheer and simple.

It is advisable to have the option of room darkening treatments, should you want to sleep in late on the weekends. This look can be accomplished with lined draperies, or with pleated shades or shutters layered under a sheer window treatment.

If a more tailored look is your style, you may need to hire the services of a qualified interior designer to complete it.

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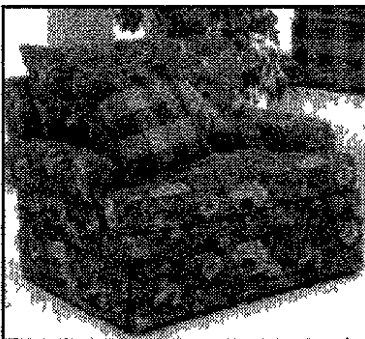
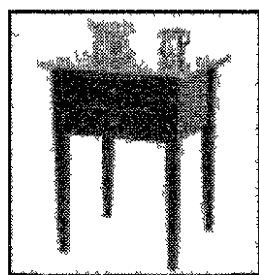
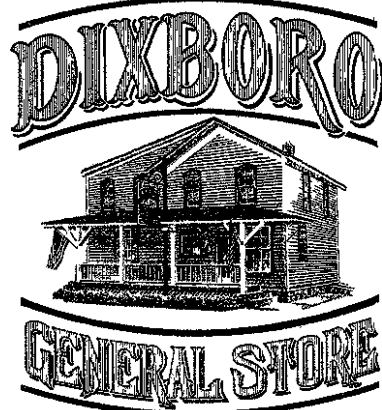
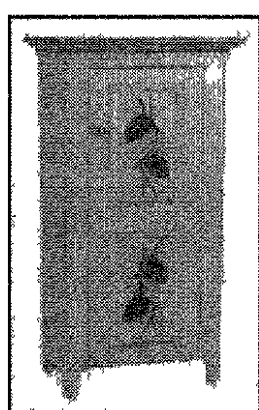
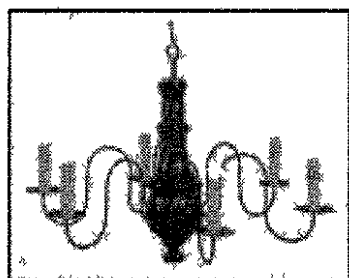
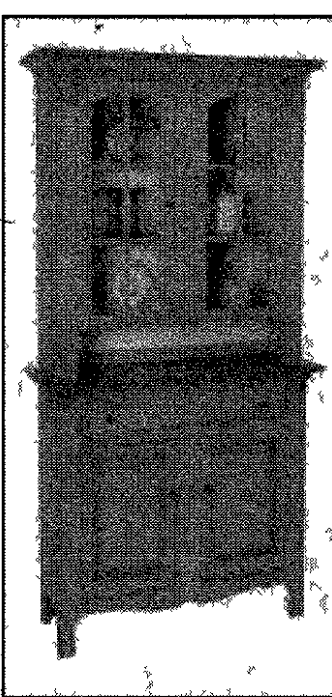


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While you can still buy "penny" candies, homemade jellies and jams and old fashioned bottles of Coca Cola out of an antique Coke machine, what you'll surprisingly find is a store packed with furniture, home accessories, candles and lots more. According to Allan, "We carry one of the largest selections of handmade wooden furniture anywhere, and most of our pieces come not only in a wide range of stain colors, but they can also be painted in an array of antique paint colors." He went on to explain that while their store is relatively small compared to most "full line" furniture stores, they actually stock and sell more of this "primitive look" furniture than most big name furniture stores. "We have four main wood furniture companies and we are the number one dealer of all four lines! If we don't have it in our store or one of our two warehouses, we can custom order anything in any color or combination of colors."

But it doesn't stop there. We also carry several brands of upholstered furni-

ture, everything from a small side chair for your bedroom, to a huge down filled sectional added Allan. All of their upholstered lines have eight way hand tied construction and hardwood frames and one can choose from hundreds of fabric choices. "We get so many people who tell us they have looked all over town and can't find a better quality product and are amazed at our prices."

The other thing you'll notice about this store is that it looks different every time you go there. In addition to all of the furniture and home accessories, you'll find a

where around here that has this many unique holiday items," claims Cheryl. "We start our buying in January and don't stop until our big Holiday Open House." This year, their Open House will run from November 9th through the 14th. "We have over 35,000 people on our mailing list and it seems like just about every one of them comes to this event," says Cheryl, "it's my favorite time of the year, the store looks beautiful and everyone is in such a festive mood!"

When you visit there be sure to seek out the old photos of when it was the other kind of general store. The



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Making well-dressed bed is art form

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

Making the bed can be an art as well as a chore. When it comes to decorating the home, the bed has become almost as important as the living room sofa, says Birmingham interior designer Shirley Maddalena.

'Bed making can be difficult. I've seen people be really frustrated,' said Maddalena, president of Maddalena Design Ltd. 'You need to go in with swatches of paint and (samples of) carpets.'

A basic rule is to keep in mind the bed's environment, whether the room is formal and dressy or casual and homey, she said.

'So many wonderful products are available today,' Maddalena said.

You could easily spend \$500 to \$5,000 on items for the bed, she said.

Maddalena says there are two types of beds: formal, which is very fluffy and very elegant, and Zen-like, which is very simple.

Headboards can be decorative, whether wood or upholstered.

The formal bed features a feather mattress or feather down comforter pad, a silk coverlet, and a duvet down comforter that is rolled and placed at the foot of the bed.

Maddalena recommends putting the pillows for sleeping behind shams. She likes to place two or three decorative pillows on the bed. If you have a treasured pillow, put it in the center. Pillow shams should match the dust ruffle on



SHIRLEY MADDALENA

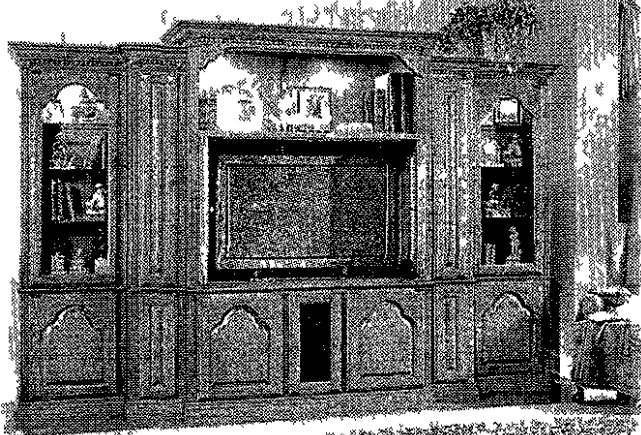
This bed by fashion designer Nicole Miller, featured in a recent Wall Street Journal article about high fashion bedding, was 'dressed up' by Birmingham interior designer Shirley Maddalena. Maddalena also sells high-end linens to clients.

the bed, Maddalena said. Beds that don't need dust ruffles include sleigh and four-poster beds, she said.

A Zen-like bed looks flat. Pillow shams are squared and lay flat on the bed. At the foot of this bed, place a cashmere or mohair throw.

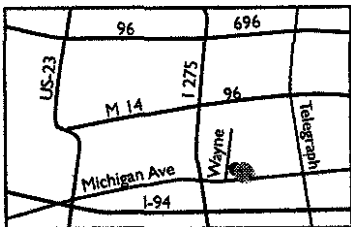
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Accessorize with various furnishings

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Everybody has a story to tell or memories they want to keep

Quite often accessories in the home reflect a journey and what when something reaches obsolescence, it can be another person's treasure

Michele and Todd Schiftar own Consignment Outlet stores in Canton, Orchard Lake, Plymouth and have a new store planned in Livonia. They are often approached to sell furniture and accessories from homeowners who experience change in their lives, Michele said.

"They may be moving or they may be downsizing," she said. The store is an eclectic mix of furniture, televisions, glassware and has plenty of accessory items.

"We try to mix contemporary and antique," Schiftar said. "We never judge their tastes; we just let the customer decide."

Lamps, artwork, curtains, wood blinds and vases are among items that customers look at to add accessories to their homes, Schiftar said.

They may prefer a retro look and purchase gold leaf glass ware or more nostalgic cuckoo

clock remembered from childhood at a grandparent's home.

Like art, home decorating accessories are acquired and displayed according to personal taste. And they don't need to be museum quality.

Steve Dani of Dixboro General Store in Ann Arbor said Dixboro sells many prints. "People really enjoy them," Dani said. "But what we are selling a lot of is the holiday merchandise."

The Halloween decor items pretty much cleared the shelves by last week, Dani said, as customers purchased much of it. "We couldn't keep the Halloween stuff," he said.

Accessories for the mantel is a popular spot in the home for holiday items, Dani said. The garland is a major accessory, and its leaves and acorns versus pine needles and cones. Wreaths also are popular.

According to www.homedecorating-made-easy.com, you should group objects by theme, material or color. A group in one location is always more dramatic than placing items throughout the room.

Drape a throw or afghan over a large chair sofa to add a splash of color and texture. Use toss pillows to convey a sense of comfort. Try a mix of patterns, pillow sizes or fabric, but try to have one color that unifies.

But if you want something different, you should shop around.

"We get a lot of people who come in here who want something different," Schiftar said. "If they see something they like, they'll trade it out." (Consignment also lists items for customers on eBay for bidding.)

Shopping Consignment helps homeowners working within a budget, said Todd Schiftar.

A family recently lost a home and all their furnishings, then they received insurance money, but it wasn't enough to purchase new furniture, so family members visited the Schiftars, replacing furniture within a budget.

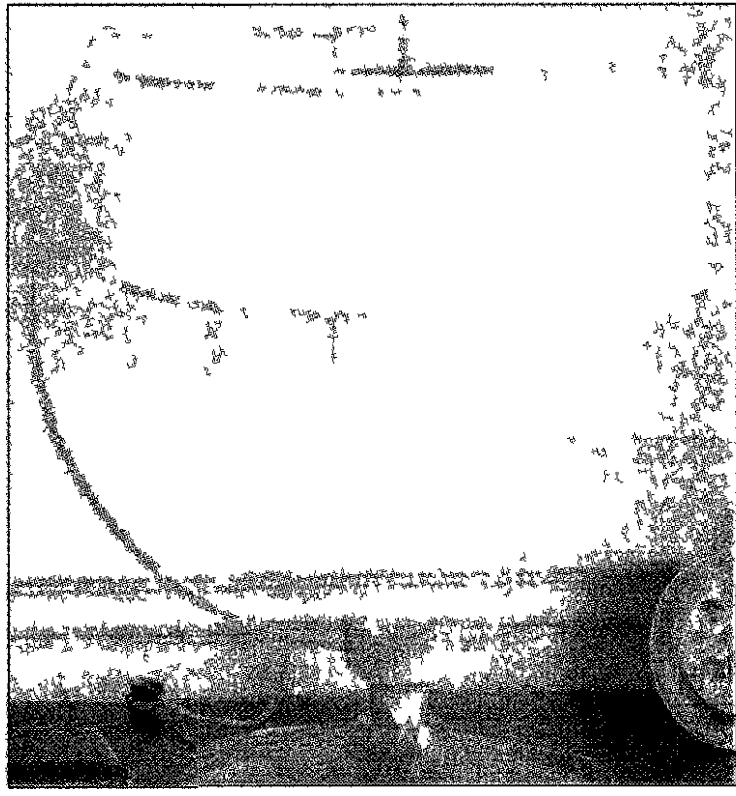
"It's like a car when you drive it off the lot," said Michele, referring to the loss in

resale value of new furniture.

Why pay like that in furniture? New furniture has pressed wood, but there's nothing like the older furniture, Todd said.

It's just that the craftsman ship is so much higher end, Schiftar said of antique furniture.

Consignment Outlet has stores at the following locations: 44125 Ford Road, Canton; 3252 Orchard Lake Road (in Orchard Plaza), Orchard Lake; and 1440 Sheldon Road (at Ann Arbor Road) in Plymouth. A grand opening of a new store, which will make Consignment Outlet the largest consignment store group in Michigan, is scheduled for Nov. 15 at 35275 Plymouth Road in Livonia. Visit resalestuff.com for more information.



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Vintage-inspired accessories rekindle past

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Styles come and go, which means decorating with vintage home accessories never really goes out of fashion. "Were always borrowing from the past to create new looks and trends in the present," said Shelly Ibach, senior vice president of home merchandising at Marshall Field's. "People love to surround themselves with things from the past, as well as things that are new." So which time periods currently have a grip on designers, retailers and homeowners? Apparently the wholesome but forward-looking 50s and the flashy, disco-driven 70s. "We're seeing a lot more browns, oranges and blues in the home, something similar to colors of the 70s," Ibach said. Styling reminiscent of the era and other nearby decades work well in a clean contemporary setting, bringing detail and interest to more modern designs. The overall look is what Debbie Thomas, owner of

The Final Phase in Troy, calls "the urban look." Thomas is a professional accessorizer, and her store specializes in supplying decor accessories to interior designers. Thomas said homeowners with a contemporary style are gravitating towards 50s-inspired decor pieces. "Maybe a lamp from the 50s that's updated in that where there was stainless, there is nickel," she said, adding, "That's strong right now you know, the minimalist look." But eras long gone-by still have a hold on the majority of homeowners, she said. "There is still a huge, huge thing for the French country-meets-old world look," said Thomas. To achieve the look, look for accessories that work lots of magic on a room like framed family pictures, leather-bound books and vintage-style lamps. Glassware also makes quite a statement in a room, Ibach said. "Add etched glassware, candle holders and candle-labras to bring back a touch of



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Looking for an interchangeable decor accessory with high impact? Consider vintage-style glassware like these pieces from Thomas O'Brien, available at Marshall Field's

elegance in a more casual way." Other high-impact vintage accessories include mirrors, embroidered pillows, wall sconces and decorative, painted trays - which can be used either as serving trays or decorative pieces. While vintage furniture designs and decor accessories have never been bigger, the trend may have more to do with creating a feeling than evoking a particular time period and style in the home, Ibach said.

You won't lose while you snooze

Bedrooms are personal retreats where we spend about a third of our lives. Whether we sleep on our side, stomach or back, bedrooms are largely places for horizontal rest, recovery or renewal.

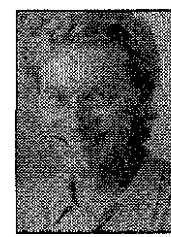
Bedrooms are analogous to our breathing apparatus - our lungs, according to the ancient and magical metaphors of feng shui (pronounced 'fung schway,' meaning that everything that surrounds a homeowner affects them). So, we should keep them clean, aired-out and avoid any kind of congestion.

Clutter invites dissatisfaction and conflict between bed partners, so keep it clean (and keep a vacuum cleaner in the walk-in closet). A bedroom should be more square than rectangular to assure positive conjugal communication between couples, never triangular or featuring sunken or protruding corners.

Bedrooms are best at the back of the house away from the road, never above a garage, to increase happiness and intimate harmony. Sleeping rooms above garages are said to increase insomnia, nightmares and crankiness. Light coming from either the right or left is good, but do not expose bed sides directly to a window, especially in the rooms of infants or ailing elderly people.

A bedroom should feel (and be) secure and intimate, never confining. Live or silk plants attract luck and happiness when visible from the bed. To insure happiness, remember to keep all plants pruned and remove all dead leaves. Yellow or pinkish flowering plants are best, contributing to individuality and personal strength.

You should never be able to see under the bed. If you can, cover it up so that it appears to be solid. Fear and apprehension over future projects are said to become magnified



Dennis Fairchild

whenever the space below a bed is visible. Try shams or dangle sheets.

To encourage a good night's sleep, never sleep atop storage boxes, books or things hidden beneath. Good feng shui beds are never more than two feet off the floor. The bed is the centerpiece of this room and, normally, the largest object of furniture. And nothing, including trailing ivy, lamps or skylights, should intrude in the space above your bed and, especially, your head.

So take down the ceiling mirrors and hook your traps!

To increase productivity and prosperity, buy new sheets and pillowcases every few seasons. We tune up the car regularly for good mileage, so why not regularly realign your sleeping quarters?

Feng shui masters assign specific shades for different moods. Blue rooms turn occupants into the opposite of what blue means in the west. Sky color suggests relief from stress.

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Yellow, the color of sunshine, evokes imagination, social and intellectual interchange. It is great for libraries, studies and family rumpus rooms and terrific for adult bedrooms.

"In the pink" evokes a color of revival, happiness, love. The Chinese masters recommend this and light dusty rose shades as ideal for reviving failed romances.

To enhance good health and communication among loved ones, do not locate ceiling fans

directly over the bed, only off to the side or at the foot area.

Dr. To for placing a bed under a sloping ceiling or exposed beam. If this is your fix, move either the bed or fan and paint the overhead beams the same color as the ceiling to promote fidelity and honest dialogue.

It's not good feng shui to have a mirror at the foot of the bed whether freestanding or above the bureau. And never ever hang mirrors that are broken, cracked or damaged, either. This mirror will not only interfere with your sleep, it also ensures a rude awakening and a slap in face, seeing yourself warts and all as you rise and try to shine.

Alarm clocks, especially digital electronic models, should keep their distance at least six feet away from pillows, rousing you out of bed rather than allowing you to press the snooze control and begin the day kvetching. To increase good dreams, remove or disassemble shelves on walls near the head of the bed.

To avoid insecurity and paranoia, don't sleep with your feet directly facing a doorway. Beds should be catty-corner to the door to allow you to see who's coming or going.

Like Charles Dickens, many believe that facing east while lying in bed brings happiness, and health to family members and guarantees fidelity. Turn the foot of your bed southeast or north to attract wealth and business opportunities, sought for recognition from coworkers.

And never rush off to the office without looking over your shoulder. Have you left behind an unmade, ruffled mess? (Bad juju.) Making your bed might magically make your day.

Observer & Eccentric astrologer columnist Dennis Fairchild is author of several books on divination including Feng Shui. Here and Now.

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Bedroom lighting should be relaxing

BY JENNA KLOECKNER
STAFF WRITER

In many homes, the bedroom is a place of rest and relaxation. Thanks to lighting, there are several ways to create such an atmosphere in your own bedroom.

Terry Ellis, ASID professional member and owner of Room Service Interior Design, located in the Michigan Design Center in Troy, said bedrooms require soft lighting.

To achieve such lighting, she suggests using 75 watt bulbs as opposed to 150 watt ones, and soft white light bulbs, which cast a 'warmer' light, as opposed to clear light bulbs.

On the same note, a recent bedroom lighting trend is pan or tray ceilings (ceilings that give the appearance of a raised center section) with moldings around some of the ceiling lines, and rope lights (lights inside a plastic cord).

Ellis said this type of architecture, combined with such lighting, creates a soft glow throughout the room and enhances the room's architectural features. This combination make the room appear more spacious, too.

Aside from soft lighting, there are other things to keep in mind when lighting a bedroom.

In a lot of newer homes, Ellis said bedrooms are 18- by 20-foot and include a bed, and seating and dressing area. For such a room, there should be a minimum of four recessed lights for overall lighting and some lamps. Ellis suggests putting the lamps on night stands or ones with halogen bulbs on a desk top.

But you may need more lights if you have special things you want to highlight, Ellis said.

For example, if you have a fireplace in the bedroom which is becoming more

these days, you may want to put recessed lighting above it that shines down on it, Ellis said. The same rule applies to pictures and other decorative pieces you want to enhance.

And if your room is small, you should still have about the same amount of recessed light as in a larger bedroom. Ellis said this move balances the light.

Another tip from Ellis are bed switches, which are switches right next to the bed that turn the lights off. If you have lamps, you can wire the lamp into the wall switch to achieve the same effect.

It's just nice to not have to get out of bed to turn the lights off, she said.

Faye Elisabeth Nicholas, a lighting consultant at Pine Tree Lighting in Lake Orion, stresses the importance of layering lights, which means having many different sources of light.

She said there's times when you need different lights for different things. You may want a lamp for reading or a recessed light over a work station in your bedroom. Regarding lamps, she said, be creative.

Lamps are nice accent pieces for the bedroom. You can be creative with them, she said. They don't have to just be for function; they can be for decoration, too.

In a 12- by 14-foot room, she said there should be general lighting, such as a ceiling fixture and some lamps. In a larger master bedroom (18 by 20 feet), she suggests using recessed cans overhead, wall sconces and lamps.

But no matter how large or small the room, you want your lighting to detail your architecture. Nicholas said. You want it to show off the intricate things in the room. And she said just because a room is small doesn't mean you have to skimp on the detail.

BEDROOM

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explains Dana Demski, owner of Recherche Fine Consignment Furniture in Farmington Hills and Waterford.

If that one piece of furniture becomes the focal point, it changes the entire look of the decor. Recherche also has an artist available for hire who 'will do pretty much anything on room walls and furniture. That piece you bought at a consignment shop, becomes something spectacular and unique once it's painted with flowers, scrolls or borders or other ideas. If you don't have ideas, the artist will offer some,' Demski says.

'You can put a chaise lounge in a corner and there's a place to lounge and read a book during the day,' Demski says. 'You make the room more user friendly throughout the day.'

You're not alone if you ever had your heart set on a certain piece of furniture, but waited so long to buy it that when you finally got to the store it was sold out.

People hunt and find them in consignment shops,' explains Michele Schifitar, who owns Consignment Outlet in Canton with her husband, Todd. 'Don't feel bound to follow rules when decorating, she

says. Think about adding something to your bedroom that you would normally find in another part of the house,' Michele says.

The tall cabinet that was used for the television in the family room can become your new sweater storage in the bedroom. An end table can take on a whole new life as a night stand, she says.

'People can also use a china hutch in their bedroom,' Schifitar adds. 'It provides visible storage and has a high-end look.'

Or, take nice plates and cups that are chipped and create a mosaic on a ceramic lamp. The piece becomes special, too, by serving as a home to favored china that would have been discarded. The process, she says, is simple. Use a glue gun to adhere the pieces, apply grout and wash off the excess.

Use your imagination, Schifitar says, adding that lamps take on a whimsical look by hanging earrings from shades.

In a consignment shop you see so many unique things,' Schifitar said. A customer told her she was buying a lamp so cheap that she was going to try a new craft technique on it and if it didn't work, it wouldn't be a big loss.

All you need to do is get a staple gun and glue gun and you're set, Schifitar adds. 'It's so inexpensive that you don't care. A lot of people come in and say, 'I just want a table and make it shabby chic.' They paint it white and distress it

and if they don't like it, they can always strip it back down and do something else with it.'

Just because you don't have a light socket over your bed doesn't mean you can't have lighting up above. Do it yourself by adding hooks, hanging a chain light and securing it with extra reinforcements to make sure it won't come down.

'Sometimes instead of painting a wall you can take fabric and make it like a wallpaper with a little batting and staple it to the wall,' Schifitar says. 'It adds texture and depth to the room, but it's not permanent.'

A little paint goes a long way, too, Demski says. For romantic styles add soft pastels in pinks, peaches, light blues, soft greens and purples. Use low wattage bulbs and add lots of pillows and soft fabrics.

For a whimsical look try adding something to the room that you wouldn't normally see in a bedroom, like a golf bag in a corner, knitting needles on the wall or gardening acces-

sories scattered about.

A bean bag chair sets the mood for casual reclining that can change spots on a daily basis.

If you're going for masculine, use big, heavy, wood pieces and darker colors, like reds, hunter greens, deep blues and combinations of black and white.

The bedroom is one place in the house that you don't have to worry about finding decor that meets the approval of anyone, but yourself, explains Tom McDoniel, part owner of Recherche with Demski.

'In the vestibule you might want to please other people and in your bedroom you're only trying to please yourself,' he says. 'Maybe use tapestries and any sort of wall coverings so the walls aren't bare.'

Throw pillows are an easy and inexpensive way to help tie those pieces together by using fabrics that pull out colors from the wall and carpet.

'When you get tired of the pillows, you can get different pillows,' McDoniel adds.

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Explore the outer limits of design

BY ELAINE PERLIN CROSSLEY
CORRESPONDENT

Whether thumbing through Midwest Living magazine, watching HGTV or reading the At Home section of this newspaper, new and exciting home decor ideas are everywhere we look.

With visits to refurbished homes, furniture stores and even design firms, homeowners can get plenty of ideas.

Ed Wolf, president of Newton Furniture, said his company transitions with the times. After 43 years, he expects the company is in furnishing homes for the long haul.

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But there are also consumers on the periphery. Some require cutting edge, high end design while others prefer the HGTV concept of decorating on a dime.

ON ONE END OF THE CONTINUUM...

Many consumers are turning to interior designers, artists, artisans and exclusive showrooms for design ideas.

Roche Bobois is an international company with over 200 franchises worldwide, one of which is located in Novi. Co-owned by Greg Eitelman and Edgar Hagopian, the furniture choices in this upscale showroom include stunning European contemporary, transitional and provincial designs, as well as genres representing other foreign lands and cultures.

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Simple patterns in pillow fabrics create a relaxing look in this bedroom.

plan to create a feel for the combined elements of a project, said Eitelman, a member of the American Society of Interior Design.

Roche Bobois accommodates homeowners who wish to design an entirely new or renovated home, or those interested in purchasing a one-off piece or even an accessory, Eitelman said. We promote the arts and work with a network of artists," Eitelman said. Art is a personal choice, and we create an ambiance in our showroom to display how incorporating artwork can energize space - from three dimensional wall art to free standing sculpture to mobiles to shadow boxes.

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Steven Fisher, owner of Steven Richards Furniture in Ann Arbor, says customers want the look at an affordable cost.

As with clothing, furniture styles change and people may not want to keep a piece for years, as their parents or

grandparents did, Fisher said.

Buying in large volume allows us to pass great value on to our customers. Then they may be able to afford to update more often.

Jen Goonan, spokesperson for Marshalls, said Marshalls provides one stop shopping for the home with furniture and a myriad of accessories imported from around the world. We continually offer new choices within our high volume of fresh merchandise some with top names in design. Goonan said that includes everything from tables, chairs, couches and armchairs to lamps, rugs, wall decor and more.

The Michigan Design Center in Troy offers a

Designer on Call program to help consumers learn more about the design process with a free, no obligation one hour consultation with a designer.

Interior designer Harvey Hollander is a member of the Michigan Quality Underwriting

to each individual and it does not necessarily dictate style, Hollander said.

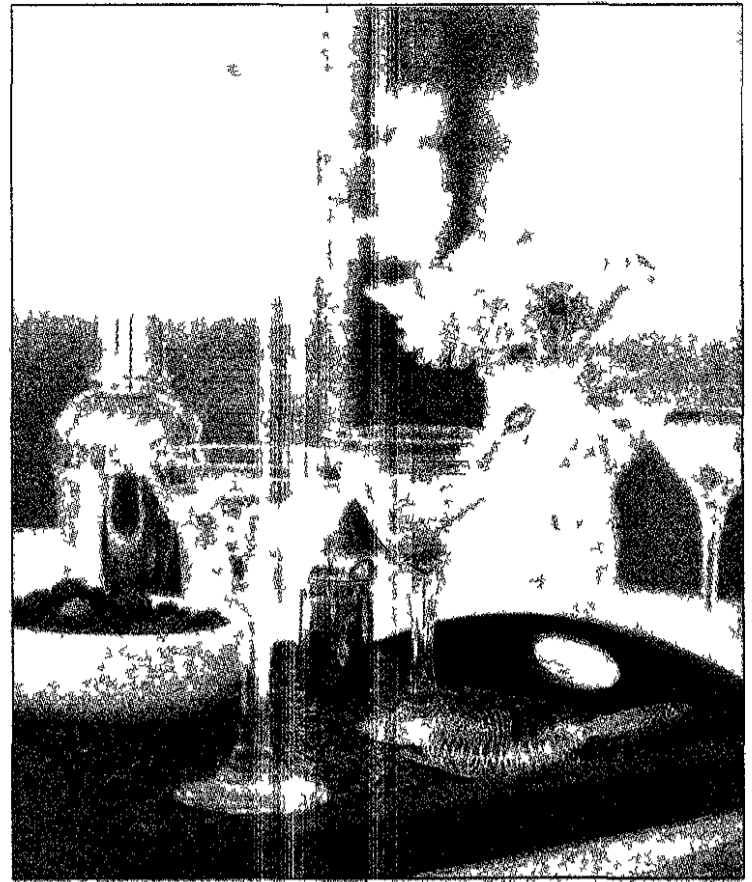
You can achieve style with varying levels of quality.

The objective of a good designer is to help clients feel comfortable, not afraid or intimidated. And through lots of discussion to get to know them to understand their needs, life-styles, aesthetic preferences, budgets and their personal definitions of quality.

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Elaine Perlin Crossley is a freelance writer who lives in West Bloomfield.

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Sidelines

MU kickers win

The Madonna women's soccer team defeated Indiana Tech Saturday, 5-0, to clinch its fifth straight Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference championship. Freshman Liz Siebodnik posted her first career hat trick to help propel the Crusaders, who are now 7-0-2 in the WHAC. Siebodnik got things started a minute into the first half, scoring off a pass from Liz DiPonio to stake MU to a 1-0 lead. Katie Kirn then scored off a crossing pass from Jenny Aldea to double the Crusaders' advantage. Siebodnik's next two goals – one unassisted and the other assisted by Lacy Catartino – made it 4-0 before Kristen Balogh finished things off with her first career goal. Laurie Strnad assisted on Balogh's counter. Diana Kaip earned the shutout in goal for MU, stopping one shot. Melissa Koehler made nine saves for Indiana Tech. Siebodnik was named WHAC Player of the Week thanks largely to her three goal performance against Indiana Tech.

Larman shines

Canton native Kyle Larman is excelling for the Bentley College hockey team. Larman was credited with a key assist in Bentley's 3-3 tie with Army Oct. 22. Bentley is now 0-1-2 overall and 0-0-1 in the Atlantic Hockey Association.

Lions sweep

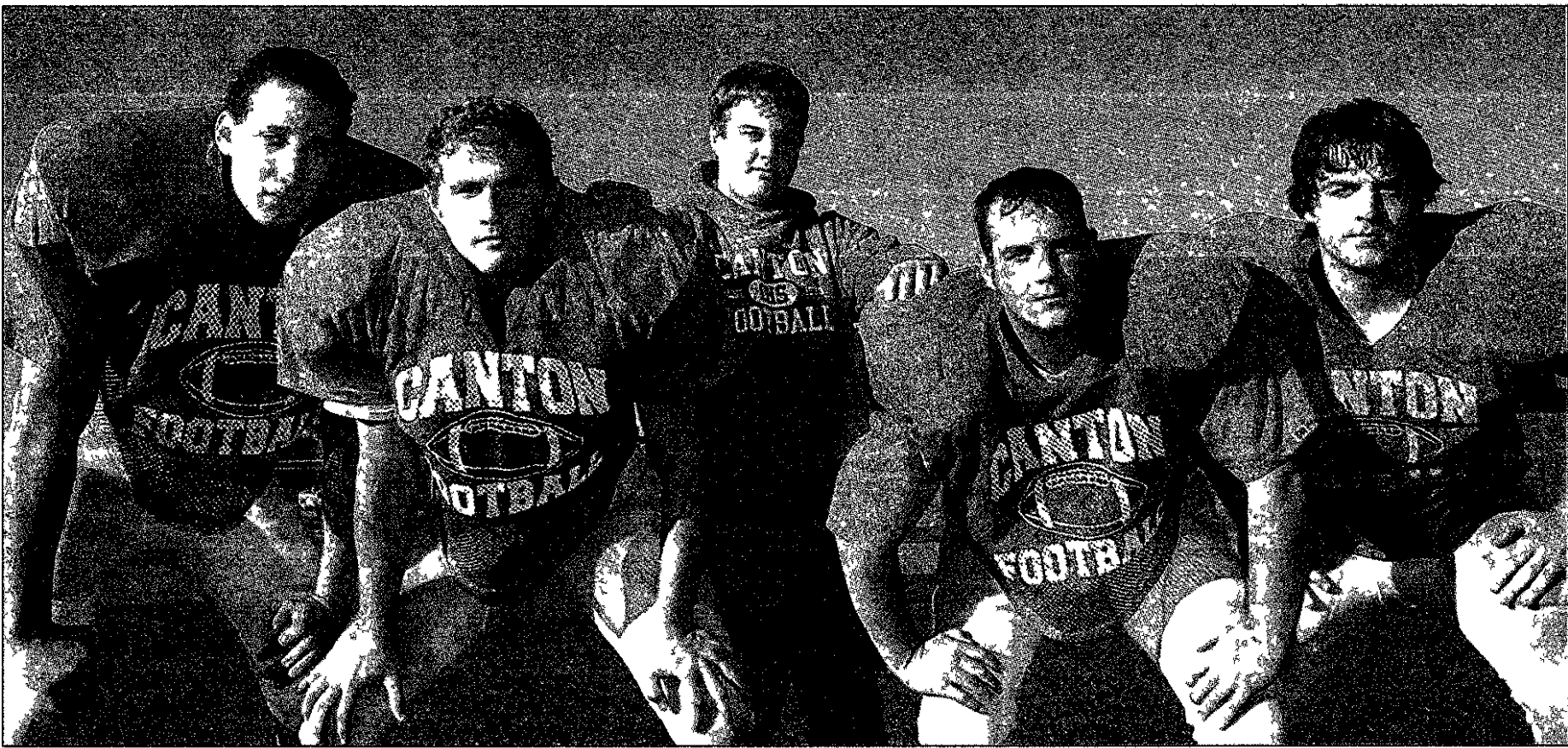
The Canton Lions junior league football teams swept the Westland Comets Sunday afternoon. The Lions varsity upended the Comets, 26-6, behind Quest Miller's two touchdowns. Chris Koetting and Carter Staffed also scored for the winners. The defense was led by Jimmy Dexter, Nathan Morales and Justin Congdon.

The Lions junior varsity squad improved its record to 3-4 with a 27-8 win. Caleb Rankins scored three TD's and had an outstanding defensive game. Dietrich Lever connected with Jacob Morris on a halfback-pass play for the other score. Defensive standouts included Jack Slater, Eric Haase, Chris Ostrowski and Jake Peterson.

The Lions freshmen extended their unbeaten streak to 22 games with a 26-0 triumph over the Comets. Jordan Smith, Braden Price and Malcolm Hollingsworth all scored for Canton, which received strong play from Josh Peterson, Omar Kandah, Bobby Rich and Zac Smilo. The 7-0 Lions will battle the 7-0 Plymouth Steelers Saturday at Central Middle School. The winner will be division champion.

Plymouth boosters

The next meeting for the Plymouth Wildcat football boosters will be held Monday, Nov. 1 at 7 p.m. in room 401 of Plymouth High School. All parents of Wildcat players are encouraged to attend this meeting for next year's board will be nominated.



JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's starting offensive line consists of (left to right) Kevin Pruett, Russ Bruner, Mitch Miller, Matt D'Avanzo and Eric Kilyanczyk.

All guts, no glory

Canton's O-line produces results, not attention



Ed Wright

Let me introduce you to the other half of the nearly unstoppable Canton Chiefs offense, the half that rarely gets noticed by casual fans – unless, of course, one of its members jumps offside on third-and-one. It's the half of the offense that Chiefs head coach Tim Baechler repeatedly refers to as the team's MVP, and opposing coaches rave about during postgame interviews.

The players on this half of the offense never get their names or pictures in the paper (until now), but they don't seem to care.

Their egos are as small as their hearts are large. They're big, bright and 'bring-it-on' confident, but not trash-talking cocky.

They are Dave, the singular generic name given to the Chiefs' offensive line by its position coach, Bob Williams, a veteran of 17 seasons at Canton.

I always refer to my offensive line unit as 'Dave,' Williams said. If somebody screws up, Dave did it. If we make a nice play, Dave did it. The O-line is like one big generic football player that works in

machine-like fashion. Dave is our generic collective name for the unit. The kids are really into it and it gives them one more thing to kid around about.

'Dave' divided by 5

This year's 'Dave' consists of tackles Eric Kilyanczyk and Kevin Pruett, guards Matt D'Avanzo and Russ Bruner, and center Mitch Miller.

If you take the average heights and weights of Canton's five starting senior offensive linemen,

PLEASE SEE CANTON, C4

Rematch

Canton, Belleville meet for 1st time since '00 playoffs

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The last time Canton and Belleville squared off on a football field, George W. Bush was a couple of days away from taking over the reins of the country and Canton football coach Tim Baechler was a couple of weeks away from entrenching the Chiefs on the Michigan high school football playoff map.

Now, four years later, Baechler is the only one of the two who is assured of having a job next week.

On Oct. 27, 2000, Canton defeated a perennially strong Belleville team, 21-10, in the first playoff game of

PLAYOFF PREVIEW

Baechler's tenure. The Chiefs later advanced to the regional final before getting knocked off by Clarkston.

Canton hasn't missed the playoffs since.

Canton and Belleville meet again at 7 p.m. Friday, but unlike the previous meeting, the Chiefs will host the game and are prohibitive favorites to advance to the next round against the winner of the Novi-Northville showdown.

Canton has outscored its foes, 403-60, while the Tigers have outpointed their opponents, 164-153.

"We were kind of hoping we would be playing in another district," Belleville coach Bob LaPointe said, "because you never like to go against a team that's 9-0 like Canton. But our kids are excited about being in the playoffs. Hopefully, we'll go out and put on a good show."

LaPointe said he isn't surprised by the Chiefs' unblemished record after viewing a few of their game films.

"On offense, they do what they want to do very well," he said. "They have some very powerful running

PLEASE SEE PLAYOFFS, C4

Short-handed Hornets sting Rocks

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Opportunity knocked Saturday afternoon for the Salem boys soccer team in its Division 1 district final showdown with Salme, but the Rocks didn't answer.

Salem played the entire second half with a one-player advantage after a Hornet was disciplined with a red card with one second left in the opening half. However, Salme dug in defensively and hung on to win 2-1 to advance to the regional portion of the state tournament.

Salem finished 13-5-6.

"I wasn't as upset that we didn't score in the second half as I was that we didn't even get a good opportunity to score,"

Salem coach Ed McCarthy said. "Salme did a tremendous job defensively, but it was very disappointing to fall short considering the circumstances."

Despite the bitter ending, McCarthy said he was satisfied with his team's performance all year.

"I was pleased with the progress we made as the season went on," he said.

To finish 13-5-6 with a really young team was a pretty good accomplishment. We started the year with several tough losses, but we came on at the end and played well. I was proud of the way our seniors played this year. They did a great job."

The Rocks jumped ahead 1-0 early in the first half when Joe Halewicz scored on a diving header.

Salme's Jeff Stall knotted the score at 1-1 when he deposited a missed shot by Luh Usein into the back of the net.

Salme's Tyler Patterson scored the game-winner for the Hornets with 6:36 left in the first half when he drilled a rebound shot past Salem goalie Brian Field, who had stuffed Usein seconds earlier with a lunging effort.

Two minutes later, Salem's Jake Bennett drilled a shot that hit the crossbar and bounced harmlessly away. It turned out to be the last decent scoring opportunity for the Rocks.

The Hornets were whistled for five yellow cards in the second half, but held on for the victory.

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Canale leads Salem to 'Senior Night' win

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

A few minutes before Salem's Senior Night game Tuesday night against Plymouth, Ellen Canale, Alyssa Guern and Kathryn Wheatley were honored with speeches that were composed and read by their junior teammates.

The three seniors then went out and helped script a convincing 39-26 victory over the visiting Wildcats. Salem improved to 12-4 overall and 8-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The Rocks trail Canton and Walled Lake Northern by one game in the WLAA standings heading into tonight's regular-season finale at home against the Chiefs.

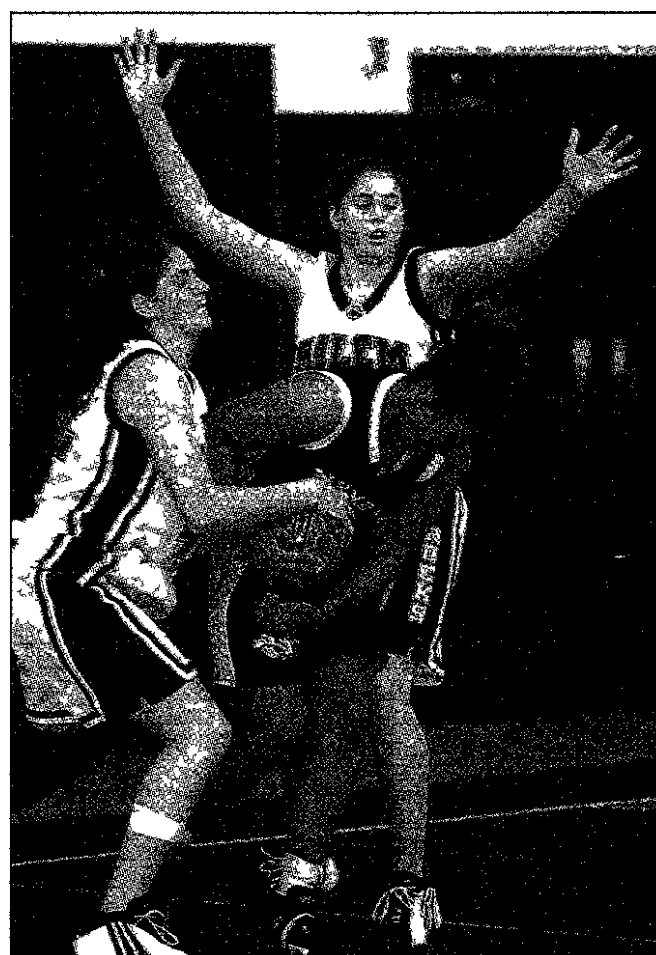
Plymouth slipped to 8-7 overall and 6-4 in the WLAA. Canale was especially effective, netting 17 points with three steals.

Guern and Wheatley scored just two points each, but they contributed strong defensive efforts.

"I thought the three seniors really got into the game and played well," Salem coach Fred Thomann said. "Alyssa and Kathryn got into a little foul trouble, but they worked through it."

"The biggest thing for us tonight was rebounding from our loss to Northville last Thursday."

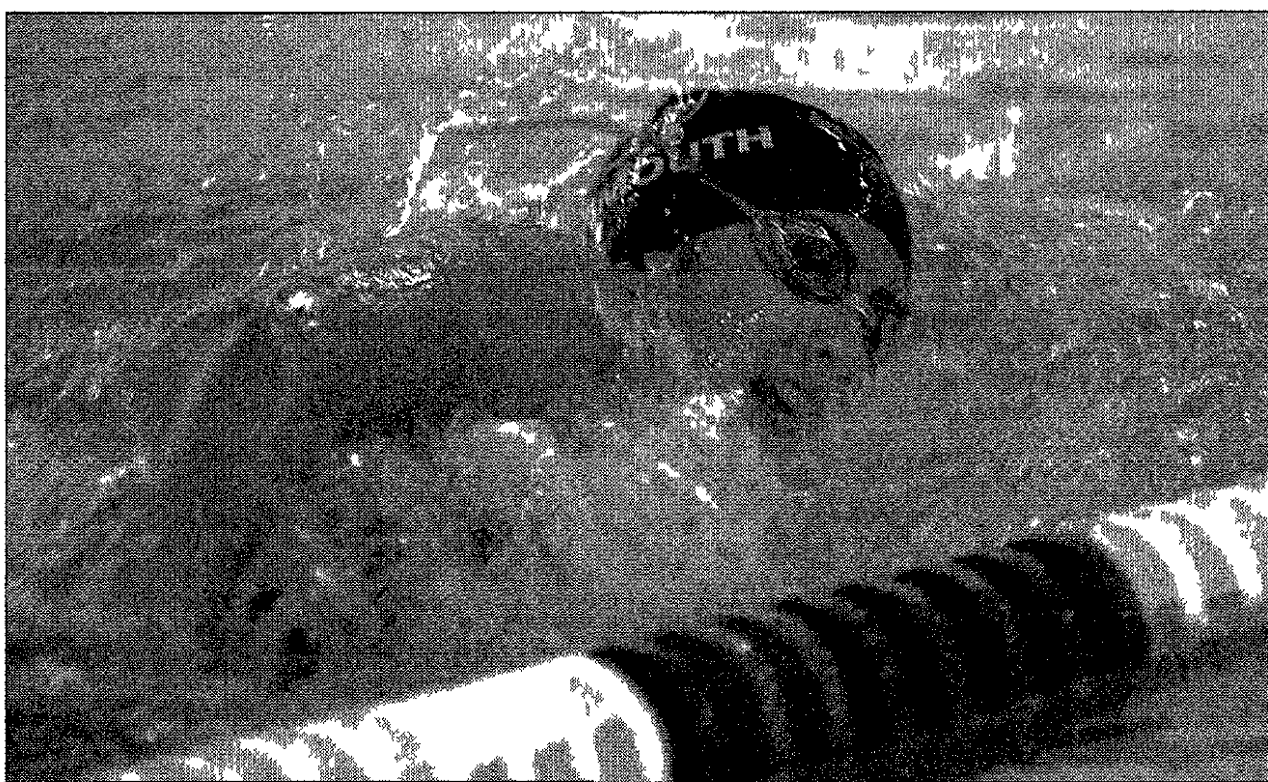
"The girls went out and took care of business against a good basketball team. I like Plymouth's inside game and their perimeter players have gotten a lot better since the beginning of the season."



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Salem's Teresa Coppellie (left) and Lauren Kurtz (right) made life difficult for Plymouth's Jeanine Moise Tuesday night in the Rocks' 39-26 victory.

PLEASE SEE SALEM, C3



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Elaine Lafayette has helped guide the senior-less Plymouth girls swim team to an outstanding season. The junior qualified for the state meet Saturday in the 500-yard freestyle.

Elaine Lafayette specializes in the freestyle events, but is versatile enough to compete in any event Plymouth coach Doug Schade feels she can best help the team

Area swim stars shine at MISCA

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

If you were invited to Saturday's MISCA swim meet at Eastern Michigan University, you've accomplished something. MISCA is the acronym for Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association, the organization that coordinated Saturday's invitational. The meet was open only to Michigan high school girls swimmers who had recorded top-60 times in their respective events this season. The three Plymouth-Canton Educational Park schools were well-represented. Salem sent nine athletes, led by junior Kelsey Lincoln, who earned state-qualifying times in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100 breaststroke. She was also a member of the Rocks' state-qualifying 200-yard medley relay team, which also consisted of Kim Heaney, Ashley Aquino and Amanda Newman. Salem swimmers Katie Gorman, Heather Michalson, Katie Myers, Kate Musson and Alexandra Stencel also turned in outstanding performances at the MISCA meet. The highlight for Canton's undefeated and Western Lakes Activities Association's Western Division champions squad was freshman Allison Schmitt's third-place finish in the 500 freestyle event and fifth-place showing in the 200 IM.

Elaine Lafayette swam well for Plymouth, qualifying for the 500 freestyle with a personal-best clocking of 5:37.12. The Wildcats' 200 freestyle relay quartet of Alyssa Liakos, Emily Clanton, Leah Knisely and Lafayette turned in a stellar time of 1:49.15.

Stephanie Goulet, Carlynn Kolesar and Sarah Palczynski also participated in the meet for Plymouth. "Considering it was the first taste of high-end competition for our girls, I think they did great," said Plymouth coach Doug Schade.

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Long-distance leader

Endurance races suit Plymouth swimmer perfectly

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

There isn't a more grueling event in high school swimming — or all of high school sports, for that matter — than the 500-yard freestyle, a five-minute-plus endurance test that can push both the body and the mind to the limit.

It is fitting, according to Plymouth girls swim coach Doug Schade, that the 500 free is the specialty of his premier swimmer, Elaine Lafayette, who epitomizes all the positive things high school athletics represent.

"Considering how hard Elaine works, it's not surprising at all that the 500 free is her best event," Schade said. "Everything that it takes to be successful in that event — mental toughness, physical endurance, outstanding ability — Elaine demonstrates on a daily basis. She's dedicated, motivated, a great leader. I could list a dozen positive clichés about

Elaine and they'd all be true. Lafayette's teammates think the world of her, too," Schade said.

"One of the most significant things about Elaine is that she was chosen by her peers to serve as a captain this season," he said. "She's an extremely hard worker and very coachable. She listens to new ideas and will swim in whatever event we need her to swim in."

Only a junior, Lafayette qualified for the Division 1 state meet in the 500 free at Saturday's Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association (MISCA) meet at Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti. Her time of 5:37.12 was almost four seconds faster than her previous personal best.

"My strategy is to push myself early in the race and get off to a good start," Lafayette said.

"Then I bring it home as fast as I can even though I'm usually pretty tired. When I'm swimming, I try to

think of all the goals I've set for myself."

Lafayette's work ethic extends beyond the swimming pool — she was recently inducted into the National Honor Society, Schade said. She also coordinated the design of the team's swimsuits and did most of the legwork involved in the ordering of sweatshirts for the squad.

She's also proficient with the guitar and a member of her church's youth group.

"One thing I miss because of swimming is playing in our youth group's band," Lafayette said. "I've tried to write some songs, but they're not very good."

Lafayette started swimming recreationally at the age of 4 when her father gave her lessons. When she was 9, Lafayette joined the Plymouth-Canton Cruisers competitive swim team for which she competed until the summer of 2003.

I've always liked competition.

said Lafayette, who played for the Wildcats' girls golf team last spring. "I like the challenges that it offers."

One of the most frustrating aspects of her high school swimming career is not having a home pool at Plymouth High School, Lafayette said.

It's tough not having our own pool because our practice times get pushed around a little and are iffy sometimes," she said.

After graduation, Lafayette hopes to attend Seattle Pacific University, a Christian college located in Washington state.

"My dad and I visited last summer and I really liked it," she said.

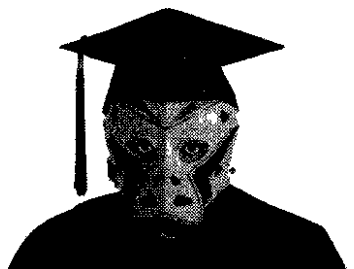
SFU does not have a swim team, so Lafayette's competitive pool days would be over.

But that would give her more time for less strenuous activities like guitar playing and song writing.

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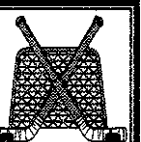
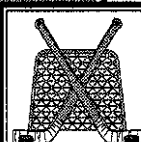
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Canton streaks past Stevenson

A 20 1 third quarter run was all Canton needed Tuesday to conquer host Livonia Stevenson in Western Lakes Activities Association action. The victory improved Canton's record to 11-5 overall and 9-1 in the WLAA. Stevenson fell to 8-8 and 4-6.

Katie Cezat and Molly Conlon scored 14 and 13 points, respectively for Canton. Lisa Ealy added 11. Cezat added 10 rebounds and four blocks and Ealy contributed seven rebounds.

Canton sophomore point guard Becci Houdek dished out four assists and had six steals.

"We played a great defensive game tonight," said Canton coach Bob Blohm. "Everybody played solid and we did a great job of rebounding. We were able to take away their perimeter game, which was important. We held their top three guards to just six points."

Rachel Desentz score six for the Spartans.

Canton was 11 of 14 from the foul line while Stevenson was 2-of-8.

Next for the Chiefs is cross campus rival Salem. The two teams will square off tonight at 7 p.m. in the Salem gym. The Rocks are 8-2 in the WLAA following Tuesday's 39-26 win over Plymouth.

"It's always a great game when Canton and Salem play," Blohm said. "Salem is one of the teams I picked to win the league before the season started. They'll be intense, but we'll just have to match their intensity. Rebounding will be the key to the game."

CANTON AGAPE 35, A.P. INTER-CITY BAPTIST 33- Brianna Chrenko scored off an in-bounds pass with 33 seconds left to account for the winning margin. The victory improved the Wolverines to 6-9 overall and 2-7 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference. Inter-City fell to 9-6 and 2-6 respectively.

Agape led 12-10 after one quarter, but trailed 18-16 at the half. The Wolves trailed 28-24 after three quarters but stormed back with an 11-5 fourth quarter run.

Chrenko scored Agape with 12 points and four rebounds. A.J. Creps had netted eight points



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Canton's Molly Conlon converts a driving lay up over Livonia Stevenson's Rachel Desentz during Tuesday night's 47-20 Chief victory. Conlon finished with a season high 13 points.

and seven boards, and Danielle Henry score six points and handed out six assists.

Chelsea McCune and Anita Stamps both scored 12 points for the Chargers.

Agape returns to action Friday at Oakland Christian. **SOUTHFIELD CHRISTIAN 48, PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 46.** Lauren Soblesky scored 20 and Joi Jennings had 17 in a losing cause for PCA, which dropped to 6-10 overall and 2-5 in the MIAC. SC improved to 11-5 and 5-2.

PCA was hampered by poor shooting at the free throw line (14 of 27). SC, which made six of nine free throws, led 8-6 after one quarter and 27-26 at the half.

FRANKLIN 48, JOHN GLENN 46. In a WLAA game

Tuesday, Livonia Franklin (6-9, 4-6) rallied in the final quarter to topple host Westland John Glenn (3-13, 1-9).

Senior guard Ashley Bonsall led a balanced Franklin scoring attack with 13 points. Junior center Trisha Morrill added 12, including eight in the fourth period when the Patriots outscored Glenn 16-8. Sophomore center Robyn Whalen contributed six points, 15 rebounds and 11 blocks.

Carly Muncy hit 4-of-5 free throws down the stretch to seal the victory.

Franklin connected on 14-of-24 from the line while the Rockets made 6 of 10.

Guard Heather Lindon, who hit four 3-pointers, led Glenn and all scorers with 18 points. Jasmine Granberry added 10

SALEM

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Teresa Coppiellie scored six points and grabbed eight rebounds for the Rocks.

Plymouth's top offensive effort came from junior Colleen Flaherty, who scored 10 points to go along with her eight boards. Wildcats leading scorer Jeanine Moise was held in check by the Rocks.

The 5-10 center was 0-for-10 from the field and 3-for-7 from the foul line, but she did pull down a game-high 12 rebounds.

Kim Olech recorded five points and three rebounds for Plymouth, which made just two of its first 23 shots.

The Wildcats warmed up in the fourth quarter, hitting 6-of-11 attempts.

"I thought we came out and gave a real good effort in the second half," Plymouth coach Richelle Reilly said.

"The girls came out and didn't quit."

Both teams appeared tight in the game's opening quarter, which ended with the Rocks ahead, 4-3. The Wildcats converted just 1-of-5 first-quarter shots, while Salem canned only 2-of-13.

Canale had five second-quarter points to lead Salem to a 17-6 half-time advantage.



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Salem's Ellen Canale looks for an open player while Plymouth's Janet Hanchett applies defensive pressure during Tuesday night's cross-campus game.

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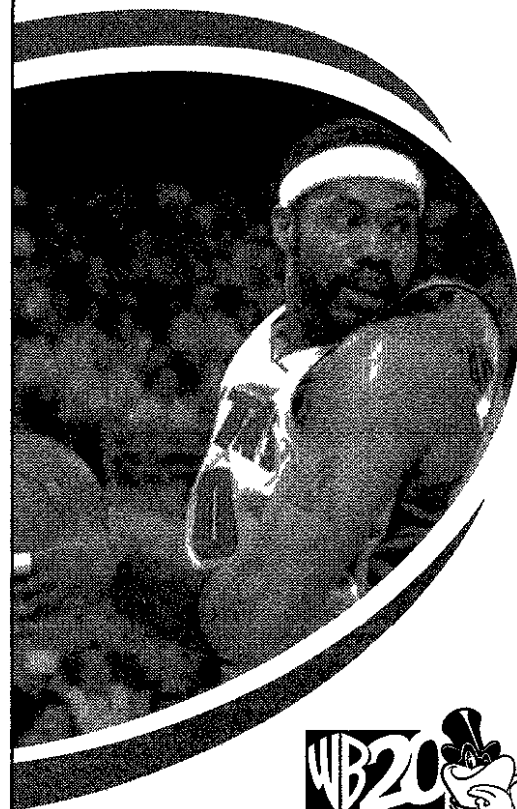
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Momentum is vital with prep football playoffs approaching

It's all about momentum going into the state football playoffs, particularly for woeful prognosticators like myself

Somewhere during the middle of the regular season, after forging a comfortable lead, the train I was riding fell off the tracks

I let a rookie by the name of Ed Wright, the new Plymouth-Canton Sports Editor, steal my thunder

I offer no excuses, other than the fact that one team from this area — Redford Thurston — is probably responsible for over 80 percent of my missed picks throughout the years

When the Eagles are supposed to win, they lose. And when the Eagles are supposed to lose, they win. Perhaps coach Bob Snell can come over to the office some day and shed some light on the subject for me

My all-time worst pick was n't Thurston over rival Redford

GRID PICKS

Union last Friday night (RU won 40-0) My worst ever was 1990 season opener — when for some inexplicable reason — I thought the Eagles could beat Dearborn Heights Robichaud

Of course, Thurston lost that game 38-0 to Tyrone Wheatley and the Bulldogs, who went on to finish 12-1 and capture the state Class B title

Even though I lost the regular season title to Mr Wright, I'm looking for redemption in the playoffs

Wright, by the way, finished the season with a cumulative 88-29 record, a 75 percent winning percentage after going 7-5 last week. Meanwhile, I settled for the silver medal at 85-32 overall, due to a Week No. 9 comeback at 9-3

Another rookie, Redford-Garden City sports editor Tim Smith, who I'll give the title of Mr Wrong, stumbled to 4-8 last week and finishes nine games off the pace at 79-38 overall

No wonder Smith decided to pull a Ricky Williams and go into hiding for a week (After the season he endured, he certainly needs a vacation)

Here is a sneak peek at this week's playoff action

FRIDAY GAMES (all at 7 p.m.)
Belleville (6-3) at Canton (9-0) After blowing through the Western Lakes Activities Association this fall like a series of Florida fall hurricanes, Canton gets to pick on somebody from another league in this Division I matchup. Maybe Belleville coach Bob LaPointe was wishing he was coaching back at Eastern Michigan. **PICKS — Canton Emons Wright Smith**

Liv Churchill (6-3) at Liv Stevenson (7-2) No I haven't checked any M Live chat rooms lately, but there's no truth to the rumor that Stevenson junior quarterback Chad Casey broke his hand playing pickup football Sunday afternoon. However I have it on good authority (a reliable inside source) that Faith Hill will be singing the national anthem. As for Churchill, the Chargers are making their first playoff appearance since 1978 and have a chance to avenge a 14-3 loss to the Spartans in Week No. 3. **PICKS — Stevenson Emons Wright Smith**

Westland John Glenn (6-3) at Taylor Truman (6-3) Once the MHSAA powers to be figured out that Taylor Truman had lost three regular season games and not two including a season ending 14-3 loss to Temperance Bedford, the Division I Region 3 District 1 draw was finally etched in stone. Truman is coached by former Eastern Michigan quarterback Ron Adams, who led the then Hurons to a California Bowl win over San Jose State Glenn, meanwhile is reeling (two straight losses) and hurting as well. Jon McCallih gets the start at quarterback in place of Vinnie DeLuca. **PICKS — John Glenn Emons Wright Smith**

SOUTHFIELD LATHRUP (6-3) at Redford Union (8-1) This Division II Region 3 District 1 game pits Lathrup of the Oakland Activities Association against Redford Union of the Michigan Mega Lathrup, which had to suspend several varsity players for an altercation at a JV game prior to last week's game against Southfield, decided to forfeit than get spanked by the unbeaten Blue Jays, who face Birmingham Groves on the other side of this draw. Lathrup, which started out 5-0, has an impressive win over Division I qualifier Lake Orion. RU is coming off a huge victory over rival Thurston. **PICKS — RU Smith Lathrup Wright Emons**

Clarenceville (7-2) at Goodrich (8-1) The Trojans are making their seventh straight playoff appearance and come into the game on a five game winning streak in this Division V Region 4 District 1 matchup. Senior Bruno Shkreli has had a huge season for Clarenceville. But Goodrich's Kirk Ellsworth, who torched the Trojans last year for 177 yards on 19 carries in a 42-6 second round playoff win over Clarenceville, is only four shy of Tim Shaw's single season record for total points (306). **PICKS — Goodrich Emons Wright Smith**

SATURDAY'S GAME (1 p.m. start)
Bishop Borgess (6-3) at North Adams Jerome (7-2) The Rams, who finished second in the South Central Athletic Association and have outscored their opponents 298-68. They have been to the playoffs a total of 10 times including three straight appearances. North Adams only losses this season are to unbeaten Climax Scotts (18-0) and Division VII qualifier Whitmore Lake (14-6). Borgess got into the playoffs last week for only the third time in school history with a 52-18 win over Grosse Pointe Woods University. Luggett as quarterback Rashad Campbell hit 15 of 19 passes for 207 yards and three TDs. **PICKS — North Adams Emons Wright Smith**

CANTON

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"Dave" stands a hair under 6-foot-1 and weighs in at 233 pounds

His grade-point average is honor roll caliber and his weight-room exploits are off the charts

Bruner is the only returning starter on this year's offensive line

"The rest of us were all on the scout team last season," Kilyanczyk said. "We worked hard and waited for our opportunity."

Talk about making the best of an opportunity

When I asked the group Monday afternoon who its leader was, Kilyanczyk, Pruett, D'Avanzo and Miller all pointed to the 6-1, 220-pound Bruner, one of the Chiefs' four captains

"We're all leaders," Bruner said, brushing off his teammates' praise like he would a scrawny defensive tackle. "We're one unit."

No ink, no problem

Miller, who has the responsibility of calling out the unit's blocking scheme before every snap, said the lack of recognition he and his co-linemen receive is not important. Those who know what's really going on between the sidelines appreciate the work they do, he said.

"The lack of recognition goes with the territory of being an offensive lineman," Miller said, as his four peers nodded in agreement. "Our coaches and teammates know how hard we work. When one of our backs scores, he'll come over and thank us or give us a high-five."

And coach Williams bought us all the pizza we could eat after one of our games. He must have appreciated what we did because we can eat a lot of pizza.

While the members of

"Dave" are fun-loving and comical off the field, they're all business once the games start

By the second quarter of most games this season, they've left their opposing defensive linemen muttering to themselves. Canton has mercied all but one opponent this season

Creating exhaustion

"Our offense tends to wear teams down after a while, and they get frustrated," Pruett said.

"You can feel them giving in sometimes because our offense just slams the ball right at them," Kilyanczyk added. "The defensive linemen start talking to themselves sometimes."

"Yeah, you'll hear them say, 'Oh, man!'" Miller chimed in. "And when they get really worn down and tired, they say things you can't print in the newspaper."

One of the downsides of being an offensive lineman is that you can get so into finishing off your blocks and containing your opponent that you rarely get to see the end result — the running back or quarterback scoring a touchdown.

"A lot of times I can feel the running back going by me," D'Avanzo said. "Then the guy I'm blocking will turn and start running the other way, towards our end zone, chasing the back. That's when I know I've made a good block."

That scenario has unfolded on a consistent basis this season for Canton's football team, thanks largely to

Dave, the team's humble, hard-working star, who you, too, would enjoy meeting — assuming it's not a Friday night and you're not lined up against him on a football field.

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PLAYOFFS

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backs and they fake very well, so you have to really pay attention to who has the ball.

Defensively, they really attack you. They're still doing the same stuff they did the first time we played them four years ago. They get after you.

Baechler said the Tigers haven't changed much either since that first encounter he had with them one presidential election ago.

Belleville has always been known for its toughness, especially on defense. Baechler said, "They're very quick and

scrappy. Offensively, they run the same system that Walled Lake Central runs, but they remind me more of (Livonia) Churchill."

If the Tigers plan on advancing to the district final, they will need a strong effort out of speedy running backs Isaac Kindell and Carlos Clark. Kindell has resembled a human lightning bolt on several occasions this season, racking up 814 yards on 111 carries and scoring 10 touchdowns. Three of his TDs came on special teams returns.

Clark may be Belleville's second option to carry the ball, but he's equally dangerous, having amassed 465 yards on

71 carries and five TDs.

"We came on strong at the end of the year," LaPointe said, referring to the Tigers' 40-6 win over River Rouge and 36-0 thumping of Romulus in the final two games of the regular season. "We're more efficient running the ball than we were earlier in the season. We have to work to try to control the ball, because if Canton gets it, they're capable of putting together long drives."

Canton's machine-like offense is paced by a stellar, all-senior offensive line and the strong running of backs Julian Smith and Chuck Schumacher. Schumacher has gained a team-high 977 yards while

Smith has picked up 787 yards on 15 fewer carries.

The Chiefs have mercied all but one of their opponents — Ann Arbor Pioneer — this season, which means the teams starters on both sides of the ball haven't played a complete game since the opener.

It helps our depth when our reserves get to play, Baechler said, "but it hurts our starters because they haven't played all 48 minutes since the Pioneer game. We haven't been able to see how they're going to react playing all 48 minutes in a close game. It especially affects the players who go both ways."

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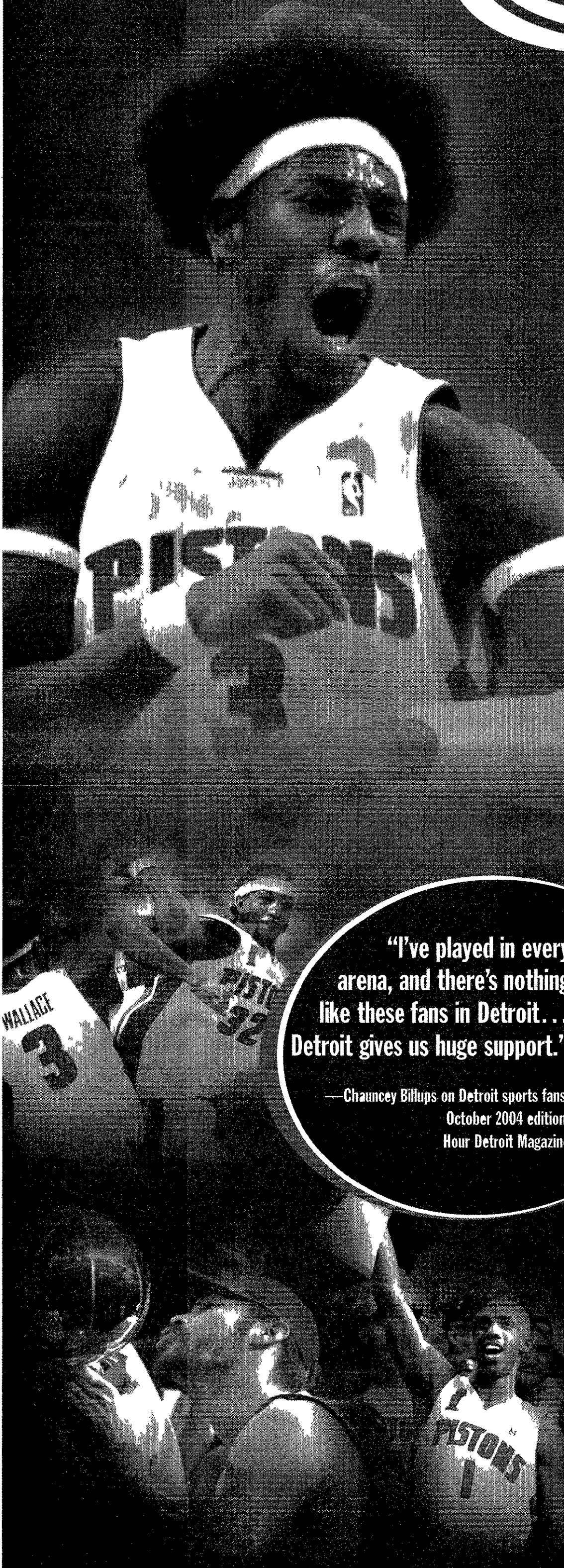
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Halloween can be a scary good time to bowl

Have a happy bowling day on Halloween

This fun-filled holiday has often carried over on the lanes as many bowlers enjoy the occasion by dressing up in costume or some sort of make-up while out for the evening at the local lanes



Ten Pin Alley

Al Harrison

Some houses even hold special Halloween parties for the leagues, mostly with the mixed leagues, there have been some pretty zany outfits seen on the bowling scene

If you or someone in your league has a clever outfit or costume while bowling, try to get a photo of them and send it in, the best pics (bowling

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Anyone submitting a photo should include the information of names, league name, the bowling locale and any other pertinent information. Submit photos directly to me, just phone (734) 788-0045

Some of the league bowlers at Woodland Lanes in Livonia have been hot right out of the starting gate this season. These are the honor scores so far: Ford Parts League: Mike Tabor, Farmington Hills, 300; Troy London, Westland, 300; Jerry Reynolds, 299; Minh Grogan of Westland, 300.

Friday Nite Out: Joe Castile, 300; West Chicago: Gary Owens, 300; Men's Trio: Dave Kielan, Livonia, 300; George Bell, Redford, 298; Sean Severence, 300; Pat Carlson of Canton, 300; Saturday Nite Specials: Brian Edwards, 300; Local 182 Retirees: Frank Bertani,

Livonia, 300; Mike Yaremchuk, 300

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will host a Bowl-A-Thon at 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 20, at Bel-Aire Lanes in Farmington.

Mike Winkel, general manager of Bel-Aire, will serve as volunteer coordinator.

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, located in Memphis, Tennessee, was founded by the late entertainer, Danny Thomas. The institution opened its doors to the public in 1962 to combat catastrophic diseases in children.

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Winkel said he wants everyone to be aware of the fact that there are usually some lanes available during the day and evenings for open bowling.

Between 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, the rate is only \$2.50 per game (includes a pitcher of beer or pop for \$5).

Corporate parties are welcome as well as holiday parties with the oncoming holiday season, your family and friends can get together for fun and bowling at reasonable prices.

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

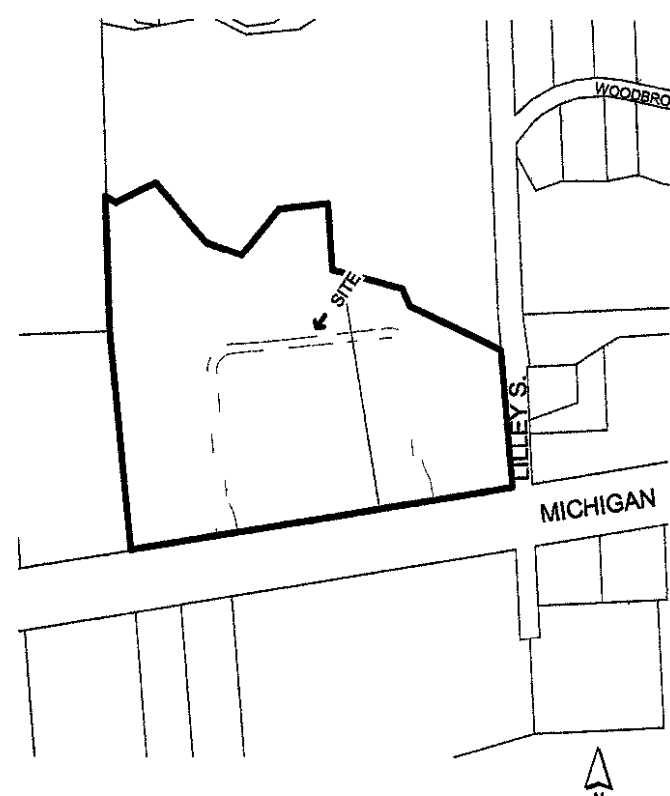
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 9, 2004 at 7:00 PM in the Chestnut Room at the Summit on the Park Community Center 46000 Summit Parkway Canton Michigan as a part of its regular meeting.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Impeccable Machining Inc for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for real and personal property for their facility located at 42600 Executive Drive within the Singh Executive Park Industrial Development District the legal description of which is as follows:

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Tuesday, November 2, 2004 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at which time candidates for following offices will be voted upon in Wayne County:

- President and Vice President
- Representative in Congress 11th District
- State Representative 20th and 21st District
- State Board of Education Vote for 2
- University of Michigan Regent Vote for 2
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- Township Supervisor Vote for 1
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and to vote on the following proposals:

PROPOSAL 04-1 A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL OF ANY FORM OF GAMBLING AUTHORIZING BY LAW AND CERTAIN NEW STATE LOTTERY GAMES

The proposed constitutional amendment would:

- Require voter approval of any form of gambling authorized by law after January 1, 2004
- Require voter approval of any new state lottery games utilizing "table games" or "player operated mechanical or electronic devices" introduced after January 1, 2004
- Provide that when voter approval is required, both statewide voter approval and voter approval in the city or township where gambling will take place must be obtained
- Specify that the voter approval requirement does not apply to Indian tribal gaming or gambling in up to three casinos located in the City of Detroit

Should this proposal be adopted?
YES NO

PROPOSAL 04-2 A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFY WHAT CAN BE RECOGNIZED AS A "MARRIAGE OR SIMILAR UNION" FOR ANY PURPOSE.

The proposal would amend the state constitution to provide that "the union of one man and one woman in marriage shall be the only agreement recognized as a marriage or similar union for any purpose."

Should this proposal be adopted?
YES NO

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2004 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the following polling locations:

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15	Winter/Walker Elementary School	39932 Michigan Avenue
16 & 17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S Sheldon
20	Township Fire Station #1	1100 S Canton Center
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Road
24 & 25	Canton High School	8415 N Canton Center
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38	Cherry Hill Methodist Church	321 Ridge Rd
39	Plymouth High School	8400 N Beck Rd

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S Canton Center Road will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2004 for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday November 2, 2004 those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day, November 2, 2004. If you are unsure of your voting location please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's office at 394-5121 prior to election day. Internet look up is available by going to www.canton.mi.org. Click on voting. Click on Voter Registration, On line.

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Shurgard of Farmington Hills
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Farmington Hills MI 48336
248 473 9303

Unit 2188 household
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Shurgard of Livonia
30900 Plymouth Rd
Livonia, MI 48150
734 522 7811

Unit 2017 household
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Unit 3006 household
Unit 3116 household
Unit 4140 household
Unit 5082 household

Shurgard of Southfield
19350 W 8 Mile Rd
Southfield, MI 48075
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Shurgard Taylor
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Taylor MI 48180
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Shurgard of Canton South
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Canton, MI 48188
734-398 5416

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CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION CROSS COUNTRY MEET
Oct. 22 at Willow Metropark

BOYS TEAM STANDINGS 1 Livonia Churchill 42 points 2 Salem 51 3 Livonia Stevenson 115 4 Walled Lake Western 125 5 Northville 138 6 Plymouth 147 7 Walled Lake Northern 194 8 Canton 214 9 Westland John Glenn 231 10 Livonia Franklin 250 11 Wayne Memorial 313 12 Walled Lake Central no team score

Individual winner Sean Maxwell (WLC) 16 minutes 3 seconds (5,000 meters)

Churchill finishers: 2 Connor Schultz 16:08 8 Brandon Grysko 16:38 9 Tim Howse 16:42 17 Adam Lumley 17:08 21 Joe Horik 17:31 24 Tim Francisco 17:38 33 Stephan Maxe 17:50

Salem finishers: 3 Dan Kapadia 16:15 10 Scott Fysh 16:44 12 Jim Walsh 16:57 14 Adam Kosteva 16:58 26 Joe Rothert 17:40 27 John Israel 17:40 28 Erik Dondzila 17:41

Stevenson finishers: 18 Mark Piorowski 17:09 23 Dan W Ison 17:37 29 Dave Antishin 17:45 31 Max Guy 17:46 34 Justin Black 17:55 38 Matthew Lipsky 18:05 42 Jeff Holycross 18:11

Western finishers: 4 Jason Aspinall 16:32 7 Todd Bowmar 16:37 35 Brian Cheadle 17:59 43 Michael Hutchens 18:14 52 Jason Mahakian 18:44 53 Mark Mehringer 18:45 63 Fedor Dokshin 19:25

Northville finishers: 11 Justin Turnbull 16:55 25 Thomas Farrell 17:39 32 George Kern 17:47 44 Thomas Sugawara 18:21 45 David Gunn Boyer 18:21 48 Kevin O'Brien 18:35 49 Neil Das 18:37

Plymouth finishers: 13 Anthony Scaparo 16:58 20 Patrick Slavens 17:19 37 Justin Magill 18:01 46 Christian Chagas 18:23 50 Nate Kostegian 18:39 56 Jeff Movsesian 18:54 77 John Zaccaro 20:57

Northern finishers: 19 Ryan Jara 17:11 22 Milkey Maves 17:37 40 Robert Lewan 18:10 66 Patrick Keenan 19:38 67 Dominic Ancona 19:40 69 Dennis Stecher 20:06 70 Thomas Dennis 20:07

Canton finishers: 30 Charles Wolfe 17:46 41 Evan Shepard 18:10 51 Kenneth Clawson 18:42 55 Derek Hoerman 18:54 57 Justin Patrick 18:57 62 Aaron McClellan 19:21 74 Brian Zielinski 20:29

John Glenn finishers: 16 Cordarro Harper 17:05 39 Brad Gray 18:09 59 Mike Jacobs 18:58 61 Corey Snyder 19:04 76 Angelo Settler 20:47 78 Nathan Scarlet 21:07 81 Josh Marshbanks 21:29

Franklin finishers: 36 Mike Miazgowicz 18:00 47 Mike Krcatovich 18:30 58 Andrew Kent 18:58 64 Brian Linn 19:28 65 Travis Canyock 19:31 68 Douglas Cole 19:43 19:43 72 Josh Walker 20:16

Wayne finishers: 54 Christian Smith 18:46 60 Jordan Janow 19:02 71 Patrick Gorring 20:09 73 Kevin Whittenberg 20:20 75 Abraham Mendez 20:33 79 Sean Mills 21:17 80 Kevin Lewis 21:22

Other Central finishers: 5 Anthony Santillipo 16:34 6 Scott Stevens 16:35 15 Jacob Hill 17:04

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS 1 Livonia Stevenson 60 2 Livonia Churchill 66 3 Northville 69 4 Salem 70 5 Walled Lake Northern 147 6 Canton 194 7 Walled Lake Western 202 8 Livonia Franklin 219 9 Westland John Glenn 223 10 Plymouth 225

Individual winner Heather Sirko (LS) 18 minutes 7 seconds (5,000 meters)

Other Stevenson finishers: 2 Kristen Frey 18:32 14 Marinna Plinka 19:37 16 Stephanie Perez 19:51 27 Amber Cicala 20:34 28 Melanie Anderle 20:37 36 Lisa Arrowsmith 21:03

Churchill finishers: 10 Nicole Schmidt 19:18 11 Kylen Ciesiak 19:24 13 Rachel McFarlane 19:35 15 Megan Macerati 19:51 17 Enca Hope 19:57 19 Tiffany Pope 20:01 21 Amy Drinan 20:19

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Canton finishers: 33 Lisa Clinton 20:53 37 Jennifer Thomas 21:03 38 Rebecca McCormack 21:12 42 Anne Murphy 21:35 44 Kristin Ward 21:54 65 Jessica Scott 24:17

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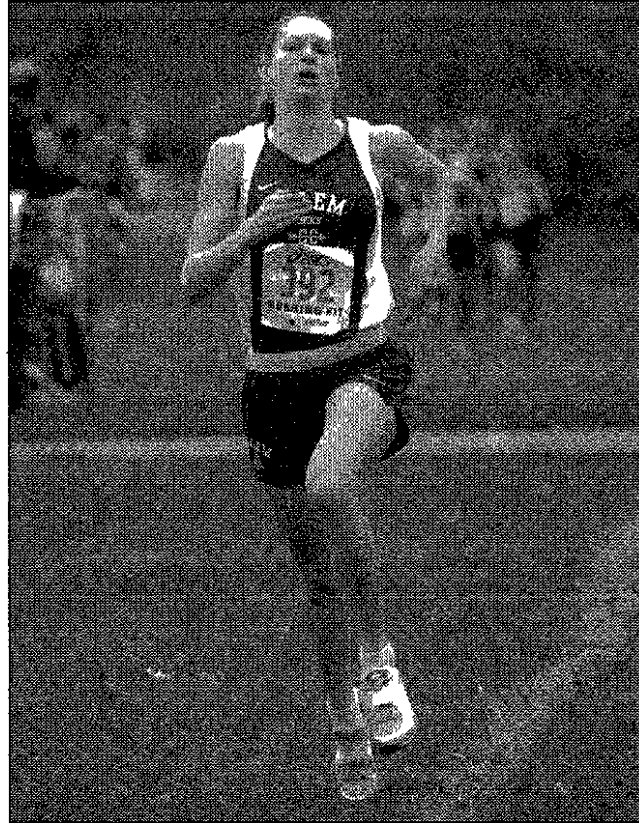
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Salem's Laura Friedman approaches the finish line at Friday's Western Lakes Activities Association meet at Willow Metropark. Friedman finished fifth overall.

Notice to the Public

BOARD OF CANVASSERS MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Canvassers for the Charter Township of Canton will meet on Wednesday, November 3, 2004 at 6:00 P.M. in the Canton Township Administration Building at 1160 S Canton Center Rd. to review and certify the election results from the November 2, 2004 General Election.

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CC soccer team's playoff run ends

BY PAT ALLEN
STAFF WRITER

It took Utica Eisenhower only 4.5 seconds to knock the glass slipper off of the collective foot of the Redford Catholic Central boys soccer team, and in the next 79 minutes, the clock struck midnight on the Shamrocks.

Catholic Central, a relative underdog in the soccer regional playoffs, fell to Utica Eisenhower 6-0 in the first round of the regionals on Tuesday. "No one expected us to even be there," Shamrocks coach Joe Nora said, "but we played with class and our seniors never gave up."

Utica Eisenhower's first goal came under a minute into the contest when a Catholic Central player attempted to clear the ball and mis-hit it. The Eagles collected the ball and blasted it by keeper Brian Walsh to give Utica Eisenhower the early lead.

One minute later, the Eagles were at it again. After clanking one off of the post, an attacker put the rebound in and the rout was on. The Eagles took a 4-0 lead into the half but the Shamrocks wouldn't give up. "We went in at half and talked about picking up our intensity," Nora said, "we had played a flat first half. I feel as though we played a much better second half."

It's hard when you know you're down three, four, five to nothing," Nora continued, "but the seniors played with a lot of heart."

Despite losing 10 seniors this upcoming summer, Nora thinks that the experience gained will help his team in next year's season.

"I think we were a bit tight tonight," Nora said. "But I think with 15 kids coming back with experience getting to regionals will really help us next year. We feel very confident with who we have coming back for us (next) year."

"Eisenhower had been there before and you could tell," Nora continued. "They played loose and played a good game."

The Shamrocks finished the season with an overall record of 9-8-6.

"We had a pretty good year and anything we do in the next two or three seasons is due to our seniors this year."

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
LEGAL NOTICE
GENERAL ELECTION - TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004

Notice is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth, Wayne County Michigan on Tuesday November 2 2004 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at which time candidates of the Republican Party Democratic Party Green Party US Taxpayers Party Libertarian Party and Natural Law Party and candidates without political party affiliation who seek election to the following partisan offices to be voted for in Wayne County:

- President and Vice President
 - Representative in Congress
 - Representative in State Legislature
 - State Board of Election - Vote 2
 - University of Michigan Regents - Vote 2
 - Michigan State University Trustees - Vote 2
 - Wayne State University Governors - Vote 2
 - Prosecuting Attorney
 - Sheriff
 - County Clerk
 - County Treasurer
 - Register of Deeds
 - County Commissioner
- And Plymouth Township
- Supervisor
 - Clerk
 - Treasurer
 - Four Trustees
- And the following non partisan offices
- Justices of Supreme Court - 8 Yr Terms - Vote 2
 - Judges of Court of Appeals - 1st District - 6 Yr Terms - Incumbent Positions - Vote 2
 - Judges of Circuit Court - 3rd Circuit - 6 Yr Terms - Incumbent Positions - Vote 19
 - Judge of Circuit Court - 3rd Circuit - 6 Yr Term - Non Incumbent Position - Vote 1
 - Judge of Circuit Court - 3rd Circuit - Partial Terms ending 1/1/09 - Incumbent Position - Vote 1
 - Judges of Circuit Court - 3rd Circuit - Partial Terms ending 1/1/07 - Incumbent Positions - Vote 2
 - Judges of Probate Court - 6 Yr Terms - Incumbent Positions - Vote 2
- Plymouth District Library Trustees - 4 Yr Terms - Vote 3
- And the following Statewide Proposals

PROPOSAL 04 1

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE VOTER APPROVAL OF ANY FORM OF GAMBLING AUTHORIZED BY LAW AND CERTAIN NEW STATE LOTTERY GAMES

The proposed constitutional amendment would

Require voter approval of any form of gambling authorized by law after January 1 2004

Require voter approval of any new state lottery games utilizing "table games" or "player operated mechanical or electronic devices" introduced after January 1 2004

Provide that when voter approval is required, both statewide voter approval and voter approval in the city or township where gambling will take place must be obtained

Specify that the voter approval requirement does not apply to Indian tribal gaming or gambling in up to three casinos located in the City of Detroit

Should this proposal be adopted?
YES _____ NO _____

And

PROPOSAL 04 2

A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFY WHAT CAN BE RECOGNIZED AS A "MARRIAGE OR SIMILAR UNION FOR ANY PURPOSE"

The proposal would amend the state constitution to provide that "the union of one man and one woman in marriage shall be the only agreement recognized as a marriage or similar union for any purpose"

Should this proposal be adopted?
YES _____ NO _____

Applications for absentee ballots for Charter Township of Plymouth registered voters may be requested from the Clerk's Office at 42350 Ann Arbor Road Building No 3 Plymouth Township Michigan, during regular office hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On Saturday October 30 absentee ballots will be delivered to qualified absentee voters in person at the Clerk's Office from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. On Monday October 1 absentee voters may receive their ballots and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Telephone numbers 354 3224 or 354 3228

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

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

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

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WEEK AHEAD

PREP FOOTBALL
Friday Oct. 29
Belleville at Canton 7 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
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
Thursday Oct. 28
Salem at W.L. Central 7 p.m.
W.L. Western at Canton 7 p.m.

BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
Saturday Oct. 30
Salem Plymouth Canton and Belleville at Division 1 Regional at Schoolcraft College 10:30 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL
Thursday Oct. 28
Madonna at Webber International (Fla.) 7 p.m.

Saturday Oct. 30
MCCA Tourney at Muskegon 2 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Thursday Oct. 28
Madonna at Ill. Springfield 7 p.m.

Saturday Oct. 30
NJCAA Region 12 Tournament at Schoolcraft College 11 a.m. & 3 p.m.

Sunday Oct. 31
Region 12 final at Schoolcraft 11 a.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER
Saturday Oct. 30
Grand Valley Club at Schoolcraft 1 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE
Friday Oct. 29
Whalers vs Ottawa (Compupar) 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Oct. 30
Whalers at Owen Sound 7:30 p.m.

Sunday Oct. 31
Whalers at Brampton 2 p.m.

TBA - time to be announced

NOTICE OF SALE

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction for cash to satisfy lien pursuant to FS 713.78

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96 PLYM	NEON	1P8ES47C6TD502913
90 SUBA		JF2AN52B2LD408810
95 PLYM	NEON	1P8ES47C4SD175323
90 MITS	GALANT	JA3CR46V4LZ024197
91 FORD	AERO	1FMDA41XXMZA58180
91 CHEV	S 10	1GCCS14EXM2110485
98 FORD	PROBE	1ZVCT20A3P5160425
91 CHEV	S 10	1GCCS14R1MO169584
02 FORD	FOCUS	1FAPP38264W155882
94 DODGE		2B7HB2171RK557847
90 FORD	PROBE	1ZVPT22L4L5189698
91 MITS	ECLIPSE	4A3CS44T8ME005667
91 FORD	EXPLOR	1FMDU84X8MUA47821
88 DODG		1B8BD46D1JC23935
90 FORD	TEMPO	2FAPP36X1LB214567
91 FORD	CROWN	2FACP27F6MX117372
89 FORD	RANGER	1FTCR14T9KPB22315
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - October 19, 2004

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday October 19 2004 at 46000 Summit Parkway. Trustee Zarbo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Pledge of Allegiance to the Charter Township of Canton. Present: Bennett Burdick, McLaughlin, Shefferly, Zarbo. Absent: Kirchgatter, Yack. Staff Present: Director Faas, Kathleen Salla.

Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett supported by Shefferly to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

STUDY SESSION: M-153/FORD ROAD ACCESS MANAGEMENT AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS STUDY I. Outline of Discussion: A. Central Business Overlay District B. Ford Road Steering Committee C. Realtor/Developer Forum D. Business Recruitment and Marketing E. Recent Retail Developments F. Current and Proposed DDA Developments G. District Branding and Signage Project H. Streetscape Extended - Morton Taylor Project I. Overhead Utility Lines Relocation Project II. Ford Road Traffic Concerns A. Western Wayne MDOT Regional Task Force B. Summer 2005 MDOT Safety Improvement Project III. M 153 Ford Road Access Management and Traffic Operations Study A. Presentation by The Corradino Group. **ADJOURN** Motion by Bennett supported by Burdick to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. *Thomas Y Yack Supervisor / Terry G Bennett Clerk*

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our website www.cantonmi.org after Board approval.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, November 9 2004 at 7:00 P.M. in the Chestnut Room at the Summit on the Park Community Center 46000 Summit Parkway Canton, Michigan as a part of its regular meeting.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Pointe Scientific, Inc. for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for real and personal property for their facility located at 5449 Research Drive within the Quadrants Centre Industrial Development District, the legal description of which is as follows:

Parcel No 71 181 01 0012 000 The south 150.00 feet of Unit 12 of Quadrants Industrial Research Centre, of part of Wayne County Condominium Subdivision Plan Number 814 Canton Township Wayne County Michigan. Containing 77,209 square feet or 1.772 acres.

Quadrants Centre Industrial Development District

Source: Canton Township Planning Department

Terry G Bennett Clerk

Published October 28 2004

Another Lions trick could be a Halloween treat in Dallas

The Lions are playing football on Halloween down in Texas. When they face the Cowboys this Sunday, they won't need to buy costumes. They can just wear the Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde get-up they've had on all season.

The Dr. Jekyll costume is the one where they did the Monster Mash on the Giants in the Meadowlands. The Mr. Hyde costume is the one they wore in getting the pumpkin seeds knocked out of them by Philadelphia and Green Bay at home.

A 3-0 record on the road? A 1-2 at home? What's wrong with this picture?

It's just the way things have gone so far in this crazy National Football League. Lions coach Steve Mariucci said, not conceding that Ford Field has become his Little Shop of Horrors. We



Mark Wilson

how things change when Roy Williams and Kevin Jones return to the lineup. It's crazy and it's kooky. Mysterious and spooky.

Obviously when those two guys are back, it's a different ballgame for us. More weapons, more chances. More chances? The more things can go right, the Lions third-year signal caller said.

Harrington has no plans to put on a mask and cape and go as Superman for this All Hallows Eve.

Halloween in Dallas will be most interesting. The Cowboys return home after getting pummed at Green Bay. Bill Parcells is getting impatient with 41-year-old QB Vinny Testaverde. Michigan's Drew Henson is waiting in the wings and the thought of him playing against his hometown Lions is intriguing.

Reggie Swinton was a big part of the win over New York five days ago. He caught a touchdown pass and did a backflip. For Halloween, Swinton can go as United States gold-medal gymnast Paul Hamm.

We just can't think about why it's happening and believe it can keep on happening, said the former Cowboy who returned to Detroit just a few

weeks ago. It'll be cool going down there and playing them.

Looking forward to a trip to Dallas? Seems to be part of a new road warrior attitude the Lions have discovered. Not that long ago, any junket away from Detroit was frightening.

A win over the Cowboys Halloween afternoon sends the Lions back home with a winnable game against the Redskins the following week. They would be 6-2 at the halfway point, something that hasn't happened since 1999. Visions of playoffs would be dancing in their heads.

The Lions still have a long way to go. The two scary losses to the Eagles and Packers showed that there is still more humble pie than pumpkin pie.

Joey had probably his best effort since I got here in that game against the Giants. Our running game was bet-

ter and the defense really stepped it up. I am proud of those guys, but we have a lot of work to do, Mariucci said.

The Lions are headed back on the road for a Halloween date in the 'Big D.' No more haunted houses away from home. A fourth consecutive road win is just 60 football minutes away. The ghosts and goblins will be out in full force at Texas Stadium.

Bring 'em on! The challenge alone beats a bag full of candy corn anyday.

Mark Wilson is host of the *Steve Mariucci Show* Mondays on WKRC FM (97.1). A 25-year veteran of TV and radio sportscasting, Wilson has been a radio talk show host at WKRC for the past five years on *Sports Night with Parker and the Man*. He's a former Associated Press and Michigan Association of Broadcasters Michigan SportsCaster of the Year. He lives in West Bloomfield.

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Hillsdale's Wilson finds solace in losing campaign

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER



Wilson

When Hillsdale's Dan Wilson steps onto Detroit's Ford Field for his final college football game, Nov. 6, against Wayne State, he'll bid adieu with mixed emotions.

"I guess I'm ready to be done, but I'm also going to miss it because I've been playing since the fourth grade, said the senior tailback from Livonia Stevenson High. "Sure, it's tough knowing that you're not going to play again."

Wilson has endured four straight losing seasons at Hillsdale, including this year's 2-7 record heading into Saturday's final home game

against Mercyhurst (Pa.) "Football-wise it's been a humbling experience and it didn't quite pan out the way I pictured it," Wilson said.

But I met a lot of great people at the school and I enjoyed playing for my coaches. Sure, it's hard to go to practice each day, but the guys I'm playing with make it worthwhile."

Wilson ranks second only behind teammate Phil Martin for the Chargers in yards rushing with 390 in 80 attempts (4.9 per carry). Last week he

rushed for 70 yards on 17 carries, including a 2-yard TD run, his second of the year, in a 15-13 non-conference loss against Tiffin (Ohio).

The speedy Wilson was recruited out of Stevenson as a slot or wingback-type, but now sits as a single back with a lead blocker in Hillsdale's pro-style formation.

"I'm a little undersized, but in our system it's best for me, said Wilson, who stands 5 feet, 10 inches and weighs only 180 pounds. "I take a good beating, but it's worked out."

During one three-week stretch, Hillsdale lost to three nationally ranked teams — No. 7 Saginaw Valley, No. 11 Northwood, and at the time,

No. 1 and defending NCAA Division II national champion Grand Valley State.

"We didn't even draw (undefeated) Michigan Tech this year on the schedule, Wilson said. "Our conference is tough from top to bottom."

A marketing major, Wilson has already completed his required classes, but he will return an extra semester to finish the 124 hours he needs toward a degree. Then he plans to go into advertising or sales.

"We had high expectations this year, but things didn't come together," Wilson said. "I love to win, but it's helped me realize there are a few more important things out there than D-2 football."



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Canton youth qualifies for national tourney

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Warning to all Michigan walleye: If you spot 11-year-old Canton fisherman Christopher Merbler dangling a pole over the side of a boat on your lake, make a 180-degree turn and swim in the opposite direction. He's considered wormed and dangerous.

Merbler may be just a sixth-grader, but the young angler has already established himself as a force to be reckoned with on Michigan lakes and rivers. The Plymouth Christian Academy student was the youngest qualifier out of over 200 fishermen at the Gander Mountain Grand National Walleye Tournament, which was held in August in Lake of the Woods, Minn.

Merbler and his father, Ron, qualified for the two-person team tournament after competing in five Michigan competitions that were held on the Saginaw Bay, Houghton Lake (twice), Lake Leelenau and on the Detroit River. The top 15 two-person teams from nine states were eligible to fish in the national event.

The standings were determined by the combined weight of the largest six fish each team hauled in. Chris has been fishing since

he was able to hold a pole when he was 2-years old," Ron Merbler said. A lot of kids Chris' age don't like to fish because they don't have the patience and concentration it takes to be a good fisherman. They also don't like getting up at 5:30 a.m. Chris has a twin brother who will only fish on Sunday if we tell him we caught a lot on Saturday.

There's some luck involved, but a lot of it is skill. Chris caught an eight-and-a-half-pound walleye in the national tournament. There are a lot of adults who haven't caught one that big. He also caught a 41-inch sturgeon and had a six-foot sturgeon on his line.

Chris Merbler is an all-around athlete who plays football for the Plymouth Steelers and recreation baseball. But if

'A lot of kids Chris' age don't like to fish because they don't have the patience and concentration it takes to be a good fisherman. They also don't like getting up at 5:30 a.m.'

Ron Merbler
Chris' father

he could participate in just one activity, fishing would be his choice.

I like fishing a lot," he said. I like everything about it, especially catching the fish. In

the winter, my dad and I fish for perch on Lake St. Clair."

The father-son duo reeled in 35.35 pounds of walleye and finished 44th at the Gander Mountain national tournament.

The Merblers' unique story at the national tournament caught the attention of the producers of a television program that will feature highlights of the event.

We were one of the few boats that had a cameraman on it, Ron Merbler said. "That was pretty exciting."

The show is scheduled to air sometime in the spring of 2005 on Fox Sports Net.

By then, the Merblers will be preparing to make another run at a national title.

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Canton resident Christopher Merbler holds one of the hefty fish he reeled in at a state-wide tournament this past summer. The 11-year-old angler teamed up with his dad to qualify for a national event.

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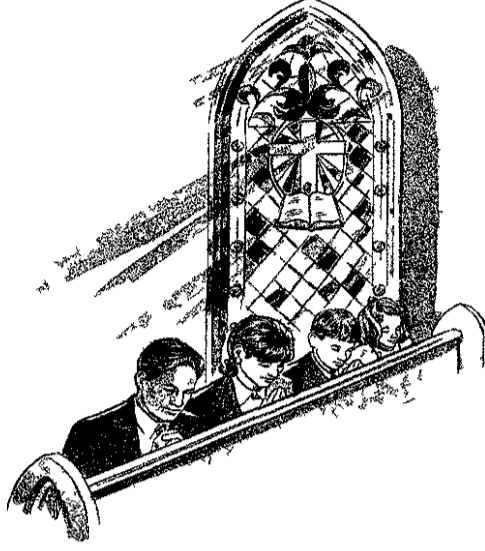
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OCTOBER

Soul sisters

The women of the New Testament speak to the women of today 7-9 p.m. Thursday Oct. 28 and Nov. 4, 11 and 18 in the Fellowship Hall at St. Aidan Parish, 17500 Farmington between Six and Seven Mile Livonia. Call (734) 425-5950.

Concert

By singer/composer Angie Smith 7 p.m. Friday Oct. 29 at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile between Inkster and Middlebelt. Suggested offering is \$10. Any profit will be used to the Journey to Bethlehem project for the greater Detroit area. For information call (734) 421-1760.

Conference and concert

A conference by Hope's Call 7 p.m. Friday Oct. 29 kicks off the Covenant Community Church Ladies Conference 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 featured speaker on Oct. 30 is Cathy Tanana at 25800 Student one block north of Five Mile on Beech Daley Redford. Tickets are \$50 and include Saturday lunch and Friday concert. Call (734) 729-3682.

Month of Mission

Hear mission speakers enjoy break fast and fellowship 9 a.m. to noon Saturday Oct. 30 at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 West Six Mile Redford. Cost is \$3. For reservations call Fran Anderson at (248) 673-7707.

Annual bazaar

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 35300 W. 8 Mile. Items include jams, jellies, baked goods, homemade items, crafts, white elephant, etc. The choir will be selling sloppy Joe's, drink, etc.

Trunk or treat

Bring the kids to trick or treat out of the trunks of cars 1:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 35300 W. 8 Mile.

Halloween alternative

Is your family looking for an alternative to the traditional Halloween celebration this year? Would you just like to get together with your family for an afternoon of games, goodies, and a chance to get dressed up in a fun costume? Then you'll want to make plans to come to the Harvest Festival 2-4 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30 at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church at 14175 Farmington north of I-96 Livonia. Children who wear costumes may win a prize. No occult or violent themes please. Parents should accompany their children. No charge but we encourage each family to bring a donation for Lutheran Child and Family Service of Michigan's Golden Slumbers Community Caring Project. Please donate pillows, sheets (crib twin full), blankets (baby twin full), quilts (infant and family size), plastic mattress protectors. These items will be donated to needy and at-risk children in Michigan. To register your child(ren) for event call Linda at (734) 522-6830.

Nardin Park Music Series

Joseph Gramley, multi-percussionist opens the 2004-2005 Season 3 p.m. Sunday Oct. 31 at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 West Eleven Mile Farmington Hills. No charge. Pre-concert reception at 2:15 p.m. Call (248) 476-8860 or visit the Web site at www.nardinpark.org for information.

Pumpkin Patch

Noon to 8 p.m. Monday, Friday and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. Sunday huge variety of sizes, shapes and prices at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile between Merriman and Middlebelt Livonia. Proceeds help support the many and varied programs at St. Matthew's. Call (734) 422-6038.

New drama

What Happens If You Miss the Rapture? an original drama with live actors, video, pyros, audio and visual effects 6:30 p.m. Sunday Oct. 31 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 West Chicago Redford. No charge. Call (313) 255-2222 ext. 236.

Costume Party

Children and adults are invited to the Annual Costume Party 3-5 p.m. Sunday October 31 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road, Belleville, four miles south of

Michigan Avenue. Get out your costumes and come enjoy refreshments, games, storytelling and family fun. Call (734) 699-3361 for more information.

Looking for classmates

St. Damian School is looking for former students to attend the first annual Alumni Mass and Reception 11 a.m. Sunday Nov. 28. Catch up with your old classmates while touring the new church and gym. St. Damian celebrates 50 years in 2005. The Nov. 28 Mass kicks off the celebration. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to be part of the Alumni planning committee, send e-mail to alumni@stdamian.com.

Contemporary service

New informal service in a casual environment 6 p.m. Sunday at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt south of Ford. Fellowship hour after services including 10 a.m. traditional. Call (734) 421-7620.

Bible Study for Parents

For Parents with Young Children 6 p.m. Sundays at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road, four miles south of Michigan Avenue, Belleville. Child care available. Call (734) 699-3361.

Lecture series

Began 7 p.m. Monday Oct. 11 and continues to Dec. 6 at The Basilica of St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church, 18200 Livonia. Open to anyone interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian faith. Call (734) 422-0010.

Grief support group

Began Monday Oct. 11 and continues for five weeks at Light & Life Free Methodist Church, Westland. The Connections grief support group is free and available to any child who has experienced the death of a loved one. For more information or to register call Community Hospice at (734) 522-4244.

Trinity Episcopal Church

Sunday worship 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Bible studies Sundays at 8:50 a.m. and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the church 11575 Belleville Road, 4 miles south of Michigan Ave, Belleville. Call (734) 699-3361.

Fishing

For friends and faith, an evening offering something for everyone, pre-school through adult, begins with an optional dinner 5:45-6:30 p.m. program runs 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays through Nov. 24 at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile between Merriman and Middlebelt Livonia. Nominal charge. Call (734) 422-6038.

Forty Days of Purpose

Began Sunday Oct. 3 and continues 11 a.m. Sundays through Nov. 21 with small groups meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday at Faith Bible Church, 34541 Five Mile west of Farmington Road Livonia. Call (734) 464-7990.

UPCOMING

Book and Bake Sale

To be held 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday Saturday Nov. 5-6 in the Fellowship Hall at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile between Middlebelt and Merriman Livonia. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend. The Women of the ELCA are sponsoring this scholarship fund raiser to assist students pursuing theological study for Lutheran ordained and lay ministry. For more information call (734) 427-1414.

Deepak Chopra lecture

The internationally known physician author and lecturer Deepak Chopra presents groundbreaking ideas from his latest book, *The Book of Secrets* 7:30 p.m. Friday Nov. 5 at Renaissance Unity Church, 11200 East 11 Mile Warren. Tickets \$40 in advance. \$50 day of the event. Call (586) 353-2300.

Craft show

Noon to 7 p.m. Friday Nov. 5 and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Nov. 6 at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 10000 Beech Daley Redford. All proceeds go to mission projects.

A Family Christmas

The 250-voice Michigan/Ohio Concert Choir perform 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday Nov. 6 at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center, Dearborn. Tickets \$20 premium seats \$18 reserved seat \$17 for groups of 10 or more. For tickets call (800) 993-7464. The concert is part of the choir's annual series in 8 Michigan and Ohio cities. Local members include Linda Hollman, outreach

director at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church in Livonia and her husband Kyle. The concert not includes favorite holiday music selections but pageantry, special effects and creative lighting.

Remembrance service

For the crew of the S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald which sank Nov. 10, 1975 11 a.m. Sunday Nov. 7 at Mariner's Church, 170 East Jefferson, Detroit. Free parking available in For Auditorium Garage with entrance in the median strip of Jefferson at Woodward. Everyone is invited including members of U.S. Coast Guard Navy Merchant Marine Canadian Armed Forces Royal Canadian Mounted Police and other Great Lakes related personnel who are invited to be part of the uniformed Honor Guard at the model of the Edmund Fitzgerald. Call the church office if you plan to be in the uniformed Honor Guard (313) 259-2206.

Conference

Featuring Lauren Winner, author of *Girl Meets God* and Mudhouse Sabbath speaking on Jewish Practice, Christian Spirituality, How Jewish Spirituality Can Enrich Christian Faith, conferences begin at 4 p.m. and consist of two one-hour sessions and a break Sunday Nov. 7 at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile Livonia. Cost is \$12. To register (734) 425-2800.

St. Andrew service

Everyone is invited to attend a service in honor of St. Andrew 10 a.m. Sunday Nov. 7. Kris Hunt will pipe at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt south of Ford. Garden City Call (734) 421-7620. St. Andrew's evangelical work took him to Scotland. He later became the patron saint of the Presbyterian church. Junior Sunday school and child care is provided. Refreshments served in Fellowship Hall after the service.

St. Andrew's Day Dinner

Includes bagpipe entertainment Sunday Nov. 14 church service at 10 a.m. followed by dinner in Calvin Hall at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 West Six Mile Redford. Cost is \$10 adults \$5 ages 4-11 children age 4 free. The public is welcome. Call (313) 534-7730.

Crafters needed

For Christmas Craft Show 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Nov. 20 at St. Sabina School in Dearborn Hgts. For information call Pam at (313) 537-5340 or send e-mail to gpkosteck@aol.com.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

A weekend experience for married couples to improve their communication skills, learn the value of intimacy and renew their love for each other. We take place Friday/Sunday Nov. 19-21 at St. John's Family Life Center, 4401 Five Mile Plymouth. There is a \$50 registration fee. For more information or to register call (248) 528-2512 or (810) 286-5524 or visit the Web site at www.rc.net/detroit/wmwe.

ONGOING

Orthodoxy 101

Explore issues of faith and morals in a course entitled *Orthodoxy 101!* It meets weekly 7 p.m. Wednesdays at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road between Farmington and Newburgh roads Livonia. The course is open to the public and there is no cost involved. Fr. Michael Matsko will be the instructor and will lead the discussion. Please invite your friends and as Philip told Nathaniel, "Come and see." If you have any additional questions call Beth at (248) 348-8631.

Support group

Provides spiritual, social and educational support for divorced and separated Catholic men and women 7:30-9:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the month at St. Andrew's Parish Center, 1400 Englewood, Rochester. For information call (248) 652-9173 or (248) 652-3860.

Grief support programs

At Hope Lutheran Church, 3640 Madison at Carlisle, Dearborn. Families are encouraged to attend together as age-specific groups are offered within one convenient location. All are welcome. Six-week series for ages 13-17 began 6:30-8 p.m.

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Grief workshop

Began Sept. 22 and continues 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesdays at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 30900 W. Six Mile between Merriman and Middlebelt Livonia. Call (734) 422-6038.

Bible studies

Birmingham Bible Institute began its fall semester Sept. 21 with classes on 12 Tuesday evenings through Dec. 7. 22 courses will be taught at Grace Baptist Church, 280 East Lincoln Birmingham. Students receive certificates for courses successfully completed. For information call (248) 646-2000.

New contemporary service

Began 9 a.m. Sunday Sept. 26 new contemporary service will be held the last Sunday of the month at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard Livonia. A group of church members present a short drama on a theme relevant to the season: a church event or current newsworthy situation. Sept. 26 drama is a look into the problem of being overloaded with requests for our time and abilities. For more information call (734) 422-0494.

Prayer group

Join us 7 p.m. Thursdays for music, singing, prayer and friendship at St. Edith Church, 15089 Newburgh Livonia. Come to the back of the church, enter entrance No. 2. For more information call Grace at (734) 464-1896, Shirley (734) 464-3656 or Geri (734) 464-8906.

Stronger Women

Walking group, jogging, aerobic exercise, crafts, speakers, coffee, social fun and fellowship continues 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursdays through Nov. 18 at Faith Covenant Church, 35415 W. 14 Mile Farmington Hills. Registration fee \$25, walk-ins \$5.

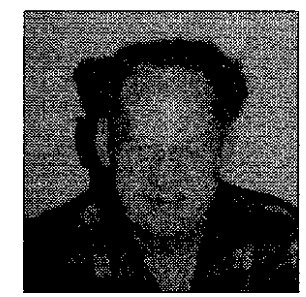


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ESTHER ZELINSKY

89 of Monroe died Oct. 22nd in Mercy Memorial Nursing Center. Visitation was Monday at Askew Houser Funeral Home in Ebersburg, PA. Services were 11:00 am Tuesday at the Funeral Home. Burial in Lloyd Cemetery, Cambria, PA. She was born March 23, 1915 in Colver, PA. The daughter of Joseph and Mary (Parkin) Smith. She married Andy Zelinsky August 30, 1947 in Colver, PA. She was a member of Colver Presbyterian Church. She graduated from Cambria County High School and was a member of Garden City Senior Citizens. She lived in Garden City from 1955 until coming to Monroe in 2003. Survived by two brothers: Joseph (LaRue) Smith, Colver, PA and Henry Smith, Batavia, Ohio. Preceded in death by her husband Andy, Nov. 2, 1983, Parents: Sisters: Jean Horn & Dorothy Griffith. Brother: William Smith. Online condolences may be made through www.bacarellafuneralhome.com. Memorials to Mercy Memorial Nursing Center, 700 Stewart Rd., Monroe, MI 48162. Bacarella Funeral Home, Monroe, MI in charge of arrangements.

GAVIN F WILSON

Of Bloomfield Hills, MI age 83 died October 24, 2004. Beloved husband of Margaret Loving father of Sherry (Richard) Gershenson, Karen (Ken) Walker and Gavin. Dear grandfather of Lindsey Hannah & Aaron. He was a dear friend to many. Gavin has been retired from Chrysler Engineering for 24 years. A memorial service will be held Saturday, October 30, 2004 at 11 am at the Lutheran Church of the Master, 3333 Coolidge Hwy, Troy. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Leukemia Foundation of the Lutheran Church of the Master.

Baby sitting \$2 per child \$4 per family per session. For more information call (248) 661-9191.

Women of the Word

Tuesday Ladies Bible Study Women of the Word studies the Book of Luke entitled *Grace Under Pressure* 9:30-11:15 a.m. Tuesdays at Detroit First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty north of Eight Mile. \$15 registration fee includes interdenominational study materials. Childcare available for children through age 5. For more information call (248) 348-7600.

Worship schedule

Resumed regular Sunday worship schedule beginning Sept. 12 at Antioch Evangelical Lutheran Church, 33360 W. 13 Mile at Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Services will be held at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. A contemporary service called *Praise Forth* is held on the fourth Sunday of each month. For information call (248) 626-7906.

New modern-style worship

Come be part of something big! Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church (14175 Farmington Rd., Livonia, just north of I-96) began a new MODERN style worship service on Sunday Sept. 12. This multi-media service will be informal using modern and praise music led by vocalists and various instruments. Dramas led by the members will often be part of this service. This service will be held at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday between the traditional services at 8:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday School youth and adult Bible classes will also be offered at 9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. each Sunday. For information call Linda Hollman, Outreach Director at (734) 522-6830.

New service times

9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. began Sept. 12 for the fall and winter months at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860.

New Sunday School

Beginning at Heart of the Hills Church, 5085 Orion Road, Rochester, for members of the community who want to increase their biblical knowledge using materials from Scripture Press. The non-denominational program is open to all ages. No charge for the classes taking place 9:30-10:15 a.m. every Sunday. Service follows at 10:30 a.m. For more information call (248) 652-7774.

Adat Shalom

Synagogue Services are 6 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays and 8:30 a.m. Sunday at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt Farmington Hills. For more information call (248) 851-5100.

Welcome to the church

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church? Are you already baptized Catholic and have been away from the church? Now is the time to inquire about coming into the church or returning to the community of believers. Call Our Lady of Sorrows at (248) 615-5574 for more information.

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.

Addiction No More

Do you have any addictive behavior problems: drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling, etc.? Come to the meeting 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 202 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 West Chicago Redford. For more information call (313) 255-2222 Ext. 244.

May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends

MARGARET J SOLANO

Age 86 of Rochester Hills former long time resident of Garden City, October 24, 2004. Wife of the late Raymond Mother of Robert (Carole) Solano of Rochester Hills. Grandmother of Stefanie & Christopher Solano. Sister of Mary Coyle of New Port Richey, FL. Brother George Garman of San Antonio, TX. Margaret was retired from Ford Motor Co. with 29 years of service. Private Memorial Service was held at Pixley Funeral Home, Rochester, MI. Family request memorial contributions to Beaumont Hospice, 3601 W. Thirteen Mile Rd., Royal Oak, MI 48073-9952.

LOIS BRYAN

Age 75 of Livonia formerly of Marshalltown, Iowa, died October 21, 2004, at Arden Courts in Livonia. She was born December 10, 1928 in Marshalltown, the daughter of Charles and Jessie Cooper Swearingen. She was a 1948 graduate of Marshalltown High School. Lois was united in marriage with Roy Keith Bryan on November 15, 1948, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church, serving as a Sunday School teacher, youth leader, Deaconess and led Bible Studies at area nursing homes. She enjoyed quilting and she and Roy traveled world wide with Friendship Force International. Lois and Roy enjoyed wintering in Venice, Florida for a number of years. She is survived by her children: Denise Ray of Marshalltown, Deborah (Howard) Meadows of Iowa City and Michael (Denise) Bryan of Plymouth her grandchildren: Debbie Meadows, Jenni Stanfield, Holly Meadows, Michelle (Chris) Holl, Jon Meadows, Matthew Bryan, Laura Bryan, Daniel Bryan, Robyn Ray, and Jeffrey Ray. Her great grandchildren: Ashley Ryan, Joel, Heather Sarah and Max, her brother Carl (Emily) Swearingen and many nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her husband, her parents and her brother Jack Swearingen. Funeral services were held Monday, October 25, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Marshalltown, Iowa. Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church in her name. Local arrangements entrusted to Schrader-Howell Funeral Home (734) 453-3333.

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Fall champions

The WaCo Wolves finished 5-0 to win the 22-team Fall Mountain Classic baseball tournament in Knoxville Tenn. Thanks to the offense of Chris Chaney (Ann Arbor Huron), Taylor Younce (Livonia Churchill) and Steve Dolan, the Wolves defeated the McDuffey (Pa.) Highlanders in the final game, 11-0, avenging a 14-1 setback in last year's tournament on a two-hitter by Anthony Bass. The Wolves also received strong defense from Tyler Locklear (Plymouth), Younce and Arbour in the championship game. In pool play the Wolves beat the Lynora (Pa.) Lancers, 3-2 as Chaney tossed a two-hitter and clubbed a mammoth home run. Younce and Arbour had two hits apiece. In the second game, Danny Harder (Brighton) hit a 2-run homer and added an RBI triple in a 3-1 win over the Pro Concept Baseball of host Knoxville. Pitcher John Ballarin (Redford Catholic Central) got the victory with Andrew Pinkelaman earning the save. In the third round, the Wolves jumped out to a 5-0 lead en route to a victory over Sevier County (Tenn.) as both Chaney and Bass each hit homers. Locklear and Billy Hardin (Redford CC) each added two hits, while pitcher Tyler Loehr (Brighton) pitched a 1-hitter and struck out 11. Arbour, Hardin and Loehr each had two hits in a 19-3 semifinal win over the Georgia Bobcats. Pitchers Steve Hajdin (Strongsville, Ohio) and Bass teamed up for the victory.

BOYS SOCCER

2004 ALL WESTERN LAKES BOYS SOCCER TEAMS ALL CONFERENCE
Defenders: Mike Biasius Jr. Northville, Eric McKee Jr. Canton, Drew Edmonds Sr. W.L. Western, Kyle Thom Jr. Livonia, Stevenson
Midfielders: Brad Marsh Sr. Canton, Mike Kelleher Sr. Northville, Nick Dordeski Sr. Stevenson, Jake Bennett Jr. Salem
Forwards: James Hannah Sr. Northville, Jordan Fylyonenko Sr. Stevenson, Mike Cornelius Jr. Northville, Billy Sanders Sr. Livonia, Churchill, Thiago Harris Sr. Salem

Dave Hall Sr. Salem, Mark Schubert Sr. Churchill, Ryan Pepper Sr. Walled Lake Northern
Midfielders: Sean Dillon Jr. Plymouth, Jason Houdek, Canton, Enrique Acevedo Jr. Northville, Keith Sied Sr. Stevenson, Louie Djokic Sr. Stevenson, Brad Zonca Sr. Salem, Brad Jackson Sr. Churchill

ALL-DIVISION
Goalkeepers: Steve Mischung Sr. Canton, Steve Besk Sr. Northville, Robbie Miller Sr. Livonia, Franklin Mitch, Hildebrandt, Soph Stevenson, Ricardo Sanchez Jr. Westland, John Glenn
Defenders: Justin Girouard Jr. Wayne, Memorial, Curtis Rose Sr. Canton, Michael Mukhtar Sr. Walled Lake, Western, Scott Hammerle Sr. Northville, Brandon Barkoski Jr. Northville, Brett Windecker Jr. Salem, Drew Lundgren Jr. Walled Lake Central
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 Stevenson Brent Lewis/Nick Ahwal, Dan Pichler, Alex Wozniak, Northville Michael Chang, Phil Yutzy, Nick Kaldis, Salem Sean Williams, Russ Heidenreich, Steve Zelmanski, Canton Andy Cortellini, Adam Pitt, Justin Fishaw, Ben Krause, Churchill David Kroll, Dan Karas, Jason Gillow, Chris Lantto, Plymouth Jim Wilbur, Nick Stekirk, David Lewandowski, Ali Youssef, Steve Schaffer, W.L. Western Brent Kempster, Aaron Rzeznik, Andrew Stratton, Kazuki Sakamoto, W.L. Northern George Sudan, Joe Godeil, Shane Beslock, Brendon Rogers, Franklin Diego Fernandez, Brandon Filipiak, Mat Coston, Jeff Turney, W.L. Central Ben Johnston, Michael Moriani, Adam Percha, Jon Serra, John Glenn, Jeff Novak, Xhensil Korcarci, Kyle Dahn, Kyle Maxwell, Wayne, Andrew Selvia, Kyle Lehmann, Ryan Nielson, Matt Kleitch

PREP FOOTBALL

2004 ALL-WESTERN LAKES ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL TEAMS ALL-CONFERENCE OFFENSE
Quarterback: Vinnie DeLuca 6 0 180 Sr. Westland, John Glenn
Running backs: Jason Tomina 5 8 160 Sr. Walled Lake, Western, Chuck Schumacher 5 11 185 Sr. Canton, Mat Stilec 5 10 183 Sr. Northville
Wide receivers: Steve Mendian 6 1 205 Sr. Walled Lake, Western, Nathan Beard 5 10 154 Sr. John Glenn
Tight end: Brian Rider 6 3 190 Sr. Canton
Interior lineman: Mike Manoogian 6 3 256 Sr. Churchill, Eric Kiliyanczyk 6 2 255 Sr. Canton, Russ Bruner 6 2 220 Sr. Canton, Mark Yassay 6 6 260 Sr. Northville
Center: Vern Emmons 5 11 235 Sr. John Glenn
Kicker: Craig Drowiewski 5 11 158 Jr. Walled Lake Central

Punter: Travis Maxey 6 0 190 Jr. Walled Lake Western
ALL-LAKES DIVISION OFFENSE
Quarterback: Chad Casey 6 1 175 Jr. Stevenson
Running backs: Kevin Bradley 6 2 200 Jr. Salem, Jacob Howell 5 8 172 Sr. Stevenson, Rece Cox 5 8 185 Sr. Westland, John Glenn
Wide receivers: Tim Cross 6 1 175 Jr., Walled Lake Central, Evan Jacobson 6 3 280 Jr. Walled Lake Northern
Tight end: Jonathan Marsh 6 2 230 Sr. Salem
Interior lineman: Peter Scott 5 9 220 Sr. Walled Lake Central, Jeremy Coulter 5 11 243 Sr. John Glenn, Cory Sinischo 6 4 225 Sr. Salem, Nick Gopen 5 11 234 Sr. Stevenson
Center: Hafeez Qureshi 5 10 215 Sr. Churchill

ALL CONFERENCE DEFENSE
Down lineman: Justin Bowie 5 10 205 Sr. Wayne, P.J. Caram 5 11 200 Sr. Canton, Chad Strye 5 11 235 Sr. Walled Lake Western
End-OLB: Jeff Piper 6 3 195 Jr. Canton, Steve Bronsted 6 2 220 Sr. Stevenson
Linebacker: Manuel Schubert 5 7 187 Sr. Churchill, Jake Powers 6 2 230 Sr. Canton, Jeff Hudson 5 10 190 Sr. Canton
Defensive back: Julian Smith 6 4 220 Sr. Canton, Tim Bingham 6 0 186 Sr. John Glenn, Ben Adams 6 1 162 Sr. Churchill
Punter: Justin Goitz 6 4 205 Sr. Walled Lake Central

ALL LAKES DIVISION DEFENSE
Down lineman: Sabuda 5 8 202 Sr. Stevenson, Terry Pittman 6 1 205 Sr. John Glenn, Aaron Chenault 5 10 230 Sr. Walled Lake Central
End-OLB: Michael Johnson 6 0 192 Sr. Churchill, Brett Schwartz 6 2 200 Sr. John Glenn
Linebacker: Steve Lehane 6 0 185 Sr. Salem, Brandon Smith 6 0 193 Sr. Stevenson
Lineman: Dan Cover 5 11 194 Sr. John Glenn
Defensive back: Chris MacFar and 6 2 170 Sr. Stevenson, Nick Carigan 6 0 160 Sr. Churchill, Chad Adamec 6 2 180 Sr. Walled Lake Central
Punter: Ryan Sheridan 6 4 175 Jr. Walled Lake Northern

ALL WESTERN DIVISION OFFENSE
Quarterback: Charlie Thomas 6 0 213 Jr. Northville
Running backs: Elaine Simmons 5 8 150 Jr. Wayne, Brent Jones 5 10 182 Jr. Plymouth, D.J. Tracy 6 2 221 Jr. Franklin
Wide receivers: Rich E. Neyma 5 10 168 Sr. Northville, Brian Aneed 5 8 160 Sr. Franklin
Tight end: Scott Payton 6 2 220 Sr. Walled Lake Western
Interior lineman: JD Gerbluck 6 5 230 Sr. Northville, John Lloyd 6 0 205 Sr. Wayne, Kevin Pruett 6 4 230 Sr. Canton, Brian Glad 5 9 175 Sr. Walled Lake Western
Center: Steve Berry 6 0 262 Sr. Northville
Kicker: Evan Corbell 6 0 165 Jr. Northville

HONORABLE MENTION
 Canton Matt D'Avanzo, Bryan Wagner, David Neu, Josh Perkovich, Matt Sweda, Collin O'Shaughnessy, Kyle O'Neil, Mitch Miller, Adam Hester, Shawn Little, Deshori McClendon, Northville David Bandy, Rick Birdsall, Steve Clark, Matt Dunatchik, Ousama El Saadi, Joe Hogan, Mark Hudson, Jared Krause, Chris McGuire, John Mullen, Joe Perpich, J.P. Pletcher, Cody Sivic, W.L. Central Kameron Bonner, Mark Chranowski, Mike Chynoweth, Chris Long, Deano Nicolaides, Richy Rhodes, Lowell Schwalb, Wayne Andrew, Crushshon Dale, Dahlberg, Bill Follow, Terrill Ford, Steve Frost, Absalom Goode, Nick Gates, Eugene Hister, Stevenson Kevin Domingo, Sean Hostetter, Rob Kelly, Ryan McMillen, Bryan Pullins, Derrick Schubel, Churchill Francisco Beltran, Dannie Bowen, Eric Braund, Cole Dossetto, Grant Dossetto, Frank Griebbeck, Maceo Hicks, Jeff Stout, John Thomas, Franklin James Kelly, Matt McCullough, Jeremy Peer, Toby Zurenko, Salem Eric Dines, John Kaptur, Tyler Root, Joe Sander, Mark Skotak, John Glenn, James Meyer, Joe Smitherman, Plymouth, Shaun Bailey, Taylor Fox, Josh Leduc, Kevin Minor, W.L. Northern Michael Murelli, Andy Johnson, Mark Ruggles, Kevin Miserex, W.L. Western Steve Nagrant, Dimitri Tourakis, Paul Kilcline, Will Burckner, Tyler Schonscheck, Montel Fleming, Ohene Opong, Owusu, Tony Cottrell, Toney Peretto



United we stand

Livonia United, an under-14 girls team, captured the 2005 Michigan State Youth Soccer Association Cup tournament with a 1-0 overtime win over USL, Oct. 17, at Founders Field in Farmington. Victoria Speer (Livonia) scored the game-winning goal. United also defeated two-time defending state cup champion Michigan Hawks 2-0, in the semifinals. United's Bailey Brandon (Livonia) earned the Most Valuable Player award while Stephanie Turner (Livonia) received the MVP goalie award. United did not allow a goal in tournament play. Currently ranked No. 13 in the nationalsoccer rankings.com. United now advances to play in the U.S. Youth Soccer Region Tourney next June in South Dakota. Other members of United coached by Greg Thompson and managed by Mike Duggan included Taylor Adkins, Carolyn Duggan, Kayla Johnston, Alyssa Mira, Julianne Puroli and Jessica Stroud, all of Livonia. Katie Shull, Canton, Kendal Wong, Farmington, Jeannette Dolmetsch, Northville, Kayla Addison, Southfield, Rachel Barndt, Novi, Carolyn Olsen, Chelsea, Fatima Nasser, Dearborn, Brittany Toor, Dearborn Heights, and Allie Zemaitis, Milford.

Whalers fall out of 1st place

The Plymouth Whalers dropped to second place in the Ontario Hockey League's Western Division thanks to a 4-1 setback to the Ottawa 67's Sunday afternoon at Compuware Arena. Plymouth is now 5-6-1-1 and one point behind first-place Windsor, which takes a 5-5-2-1 record into this weekend's contests. Julian Talbot carried the hot stick for the '67s, scoring two goals — the team's first and final tallies. Bryan Bickell and Jakub Petruzalek also put the puck in the net for Ottawa. Nick

Van Herpt, Brad Bonello, Peter Tsimkalis, Kyle Wharton, Mark Mancari, Derek Joslin and Lukas Kaspar had assists for the winners. The Whalers lone goal was scored by John Mitchell, who was assisted by Mike Knight at 17:53 of the second period. Ottawa goalie Danny Batochio earned the victory in net, stopping 19 Plymouth shots. Ryan Nie suffered the defeat despite turning away 29 Ottawa shots. The 67's led 1-0 after the first period and 2-1 with 20 minutes left to play.

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Focus on Wine

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Some like 'em big and bold

From the heart of Sonoma Valley in California's Sonoma County, St Francis Winery & Vineyards produces big, bold wines delivering on flavor at modest prices

Since he came onboard 21 years ago, Tom Mackey, director of winemaking, has believed in "maximum extraction and minimal intervention"

Some have criticized California wines as too oaky. They can be when oak presence puts the wine out of balance. Yet Mackey considers oak an important element in wine. He asks, Why would I bother using a \$600 container and all of the energy that goes into oak aging if I didn't want something out of it?

"There are other ways to get a wine to age and clarify, other than having it sit in a barrel for two years. I want the flavors of oak to give at least a noticeable background to the wine. Personally, I like the flavor of oak as long as it's not dominant or overbearing. I prefer its presence to its absence."

FLASH BACK

In 1971 Joe Martin, a San Francisco businessman and his wife Emma purchased the 100-acre Behler Ranch Vineyard in Kenwood, Calif. After several years of growing and selling grapes to local wineries, the decision was made in 1979 to build a winery and name it after St. Francis of Assisi, in recognition of the saint's role as a protector of the natural world and as acknowledgment of the Franciscan order, believed to have been the first to bring European grape growing to the new world.

Popularity of St. Francis wines maxed out the original winery. A new state-of-the-art facility was completed in time for the 1999 harvest. Over the past 25 years, St. Francis has built an extensive portfolio of vineyards that allows Mackey to select fruit and make big and bold style wines consistently.

GENTLE LEADS TO BOLD

Big and bold wines require a gentle winemaking approach which begins in the vineyard by hand harvesting grapes. "To me," Mackey said, "big means a complex and layered wine that is an expression of ideal vineyard conditions and thoughtful winemaking. The results are wines of extraordinary flavor, richness and intensity. They stand out. In that sense, they are bold."

Although we like every wine St. Francis makes, the following really get us excited:

■ 2002 St. Francis Sonoma County Chardonnay \$15. There are a lot of chardonnays on the market, but for hints of oak over citrus, pear, apple and tropical fruits, none delivers as well at this price.

■ 2000 St. Francis Sonoma County Merlot \$20. "Merlot," Mackey says, "is a victim of its own success. Today, it's planted in many places where it should not be grown. The bar for merlot has been raised and we believe we vault well with this wine." Call it delightful and delicious.

■ 2001 St. Francis Old

PLEASE SEE WINE, D4



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Top left, Betty's Lentil Soup helped instill a love of cooking in George Marrone at a young age. This soup brings back memories for him which he highlights in a new cookbook. Top right, Sea of Cortez Scallop Bisque features samphire, a seaweed which can be found at specialty and gourmet food stores. Above, this combination of cream of parsnip and pumpkin soups captures the spirit of fall, especially when pumpkins are everywhere at Halloween.

Simply SOUP

Simmer and stir up flavors

With brisk autumn winds now in full force, home cooks focus on foods that bring warmth to the table and the stomach, such as soup.

George Marrone, owner of Tartare in San Francisco, highlighted his love and appreciation of soup with John Harrison in *Simply Elegant Soup, 2004, Ten Speed Press, Berkeley, Calif.*

Why soup? It's a rare diner who can't recall a favorite soup or remember favorite memories, writes Marrone.

"Many individuals are conditioned to think of soup as mundane, but soup can be much more complex than first meets the eye," Marrone writes. "I have always enjoyed taking the

opportunity, as a professional chef, to elevate the status of soup on my menus, so that they are just as interesting and appealing as the other first-course offerings — and maybe even more so."

Marrone takes his mother's Argentinian background and father's Italian one and blends their passion for food into the book. Soup was a staple in their home every season of the year, as he grew up on minestrone, pasta e fagoli (a pasta and bean soup), clam chowder and lentil soup, among others.

"Soups are a wonderfully versatile and adaptable course," he writes. "They can be comforting and satisfying, but they can also be

elegant and sophisticated." Part of the enjoyment, he says, is to "elevate sometimes humble and mundane ingredients to special level, allowing them center stage, right in the spotlight."

Nothing pleases him more, he adds, than taking broccoli, cauliflower or squash and turning into a dish that really catches his guests' attention and get their palates to take notice.

Of course, soupmaking requires excellent homemade stock, not the canned kind. And good food takes time.

But these recipes run the gamut from simple (Betty's Lentil Soup) to the more complex (Jean-Louis'

PLEASE SEE SOUP, D2

Side dish

Holiday recipes

Do you wonder what vegetarians eat during the holidays as you sink your teeth into the roast turkey? Now you can find out and savor some culinary treats at the Vegetarian Holiday Tasting Extravaganza Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Seventh-day Adventist School Gym, 15585 Haggerty Road, just north of 5 Mile in Plymouth.

Samplings include main dish creations, but there will be many hors d'oeuvres, salads, vegetable creations and desserts. Each cook will be serving their own dish so you will be able to get information about the recipes on the spot. A registered dietitian, several physicians and a certified fitness trainer will be among the servers to answer nutritional questions. A cookbook with recipes from the last 15 years will be available for \$20 and a booklet with recipes from this year and last year's events for \$6.

There will be three seatings at this event at 11 a.m., 12:45 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 per person. Children 6-12 years are \$4. Tickets are available only in advance and are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. The event is a sellout each year. Call (734) 495-0472 for tickets.

Winemaker Dinner

A Winemaker Dinner at Tribute Restaurant in Farmington Hills will kick off the 23rd International Detroit Wine Auction.

Tribute's Winemaker Dinner, hosted by Gary and Kay Cowger, will feature Laurent Drouhin of the famed Maison Joseph Drouhin in France on Friday, Nov. 5. A family-owned winery located on 160 acres in the heart of Burgundy, Maison Joseph Drouhin has built a reputation

for wines that primarily reflect their individual terroir and vintage. The Drouhin firm constantly strives for wines of breed, finesse and elegance.

Tribute's Dinner, designed for Wine Auction benefactors and event sponsors, will blend fine wines with the award-winning cuisine of executive chef Takashi Yagihashi. A silent auction and live auction between courses and following the dinner will benefit the scholarship program for the College for Creative Studies.

The weekend of events will continue the following night, Saturday, Nov. 6, with the Detroit International Wine Auction at the Detroit Renaissance Center.

For ticket information, call the College for Creative Studies at (313) 664-7464. Tribute Restaurant is located at 34125 West Twelve Mile Road in Farmington Hills.

SOUP RECIPES

Author George Morrone's mother instilled in him a love of cooking, and this soup of hers brings back memories for him of fall and winter meals, and of growing up in New Jersey. She would return from work at 6 p.m. and start preparing the family meal from scratch. The family was used to eating late.

Since this soup is not pureed, take care to finely and neatly dice the vegetables as this will add to the visual presentation. You can experiment by making this soup with red or brown lentils.

BETTY'S LENTIL SOUP

- 1 1/4 cups green lentils
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 yellow onion finely diced
- 1 large clove garlic minced
- 2 ribs celery peeled and finely diced
- 3 carrots peeled
- 3 sprigs thyme plus 2 sprigs for garnish
- 4 sprigs flat leaf parsley
- 1 dried bay leaf
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper or to taste
- salt
- 4 cups chicken stock or vegetable stock

Cover the lentils with lukewarm water in a mixing bowl and soak for 20 minutes.

Heat the olive oil in a large saucepan over medium heat and add the onion, garlic, and celery. Sweat the vegetables for about eight minutes, until translucent making sure they do not brown. Finely dice half of the carrots and grate the remaining half. Add both to the pan along with the thyme, parsley, the bay leaf, cayenne pepper, and salt.

Drain and rinse the lentils and add them to the pan. Add the stock, bring to a simmer, and skim off any foam or impurities that rise to the surface. Cover the

pan, turn down the heat to low and cook for 45 to 60 minutes until the lentils are tender. Remove the thyme, parsley, and bay leaf and adjust the seasonings.

Finely mince the remaining two thyme sprigs. To serve, ladle the soup into warm shallow soup bowls and sprinkle with the thyme. Serves four.

Recipe courtesy of Simply Elegant Soup by George Morrone

Samphire, also known as salicornia, glasswort, or seabean, grows on both the East and West Coasts. Hits crisp texture and salt flavor make it a great addition to this soup, as well as to salads. By all means use another fresh seaweed with good texture instead. Samphire can be found at gourmet or specialty food stores. For an optional presentation, garnish the soup with lightly sauteed bay scallops.

SEA OF CORTEZ SCALLOP BISQUE

- 3 tablespoons grapeseed oil
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/2 cup minced white onion
- 12 ounces bay scallops (about 60 scallops)
- 1/2 cup dry vermouth
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 1 cup crème fraîche
- salt and cayenne pepper

- 4 fresh pink scallops in the shell for garnish (optional)
- 1/4 cup fresh samphire cut into 2 inch lengths for garnish
- 4 peeled lemon segments for garnish
- freshly cracked pink pepper for garnish

Heat two tablespoons of the oil in a saucepan set over medium heat. Add the garlic and onion and sweat until soft, about eight minutes. Reserving 20 of the scallops (about one-third of the total) for the garnish, add the remaining two-thirds of the

scallops to the pan and saute for three or four minutes taking care not to let the mixture caramelize. Add the vermouth and bring to a boil. Add the cream and crème fraîche, return to a boil, and season lightly with salt and cayenne pepper. Transfer to a blender in batches if necessary and puree until smooth. Strain through a fine mesh strainer into a clean saucepan and keep warm.

Heat the remaining one table spoon oil in a large saute pan set over medium heat. When the oil is hot and almost smoking, carefully add the 20 remaining bay scallops and saute for five to six minutes, until well caramelized. Remove the scallops with a slotted spoon and transfer them to a small mixing bowl. Add the pink scallops to the pan, cover, and saute for four to five minutes, shaking the pan frequently, just until they open. Set aside on a plate.

Bring a small saucepan or water to a boil and add the samphire. Blanch for 30 seconds, drain, and add to the bowl containing the 20 cooked scallops. Season with salt and cayenne pepper. Divide the mixture among four warm wide soup bowls, arranging it in the center, and ladle the warm soup around. Garnish each serving by placing a cooked pink scallop and a lemon segment on top of the cooked scallops in the center of each bowl and sprinkling with freshly cracked pepper. Serves four.

Recipe courtesy of Simply Elegant Soup by George Morrone

This soup captures the essence of the fall season when Halloween is upon us and pumpkins are everywhere. It is the time of year in the kitchen when root vegetables really come into their own with their hearty flavors and textures. In this recipe, the velvety, silky quality of the pumpkin works particularly well with the subtle spici-

ness of the parsnips. Sugar pumpkins are usually smaller than regular pumpkins, with sweeter and more tender pulp.

You can use acorn or butternut squash instead of pumpkin, in which case the color and flavors will be a little different, but equally satisfying.

Pumpkin seed oil is available at specialty food stores (and Williams Sonoma for example), or you can substitute hazelnut oil.

CREAM OF PARSNIP AND PUMPKIN SOUPS WITH PARSNIP CHIPS

- Pumpkin Soup
- 1 sugar pumpkin (about 5 pounds)
- 1 tablespoon grapeseed oil salt and cayenne pepper
- 1 tablespoon extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 1 large white onion diced
- 2 small cloves garlic minced
- 5 cups chicken stock
- 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper more as needed
- 1 cup heavy cream
- salt

- Parsnip Soup
- 2 1/2 tablespoons grapeseed oil
- 1 leek (about 8 ounces) white part only washed and thinly sliced
- 1/2 yellow onion (about 4 ounces) thinly sliced
- 1/2 jalapeño seeded and thinly sliced
- 4 parsnips (about 1 pound) peeled and sliced
- 10 ounces celery root (about 1/2 celery root) peeled and diced
- 4 cups chicken stock or vegetable stock
- 1/2 cup heavy cream
- zest of 1/2 lemon minced
- salt and cayenne pepper

- Parsnip Chips
- 2 cups canola or safflower oil for frying
- 1 large parsnip (about 6 ounces) peeled and thinly sliced

lengthwise salt and cayenne pepper

- Garnish
- 2 tablespoons pumpkin seed oil
- pumpkin seeds reserved from pumpkin
- 4 sprigs watercress

Preheat the oven to 325° F. Cut the pumpkin in half vertically and scoop out the seeds and fibers, clean and reserve the seeds. Place the pumpkin in a roasting pan, drizzle the flesh with the grapeseed oil, and season with salt and cayenne pepper. Turn the pumpkin flesh side down and roast for 45 to 60 minutes, until tender. Meanwhile, prepare the pumpkin seeds and parsnip soup.

Prepare the reserved pumpkin seeds by tossing them in a bowl with the one tablespoon extra virgin olive oil. Season with salt and cayenne pepper and evenly spread out the seeds on a cookie sheet. Roast, stirring occasionally, until crispy and golden brown, 10 to 15 minutes. Remove from the oven and let cool.

To prepare the pumpkin soup, melt the butter in a large saucepan set over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic and sweat for 8 to 10 minutes, until soft and translucent, do not let the mixture brown. Scoop out the flesh from the roasted pumpkin and add to the saucepan. Add four cups of the stock and the cayenne pepper. Increase the heat to medium high, and bring to a boil. Add the cream and return to a boil. Immediately remove the pan from the heat, transfer the mixture to a blender or food processor in batches and puree until smooth. Pass the mixture through a medium-fine strainer into a clean saucepan. Adjust the consistency of the soup with the remaining one cup stock, as needed. Adjust the seasonings with salt and cayenne pepper and keep warm. Serves four.

Recipe courtesy of Simply Elegant Soup by George Morrone

CALENDAR

Please submit items at least two weeks in advance of the date it should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36215 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oehomecomm.net

Cooking at Schoolcraft

Enjoy continuing education classes taught by culinary arts instructors at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. Marcus Haight, certified executive chef and Schoolcraft instructor, will teach his Five Star Restaurant Revue 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 13. Cost is \$139 per class. Bruce Konowalow, director of culinary arts at Schoolcraft, will teach a hands-on class on Steaming & Braising 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30. Cost is \$109. Certified Master Chef Jeff Gabriel will teach Wok Stir Fry Hands On 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 9. Kelli Lewton teaches What's For Dinner Tonight? 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11. Cost is \$79. For more information on these and other culinary arts continuing education classes, visit www.schoolcraft.edu under Continuing Education Schedule or call (734) 462-4448.

Make Cider

Bring up to one bushel of washed apples and containers to make and take your own apple cider using a hand-powered cider press at the Stony Creek Metropark Nature Center near Rochester on the following Sundays in October: Oct. 31. Fee is \$3. Call the Nature Center at (586) 781-4621 to reserve a time.

Cooking classes

Sign up for Cuisine du Jour hands-on culinary training with Chef Keith Farnie, the instructor for a Southeastern Asian Epicurean Journey 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 21. You can see a Wolf product presentation (a free class) 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 12. Nov. 9 or Dec. 14 at Trevarrow 1295 N. Opdyke in Auburn Hills. For more information, visit www.trevarrowinc.com or call (800) 482-1948.

Healthy Cooking Classes

Vegetarian whole foods cooking classes with macrobiotic chef Valerie Wilson. Learn how to prepare healthy, delicious meals for you and your family in a relaxed atmosphere as students get hands-on experience preparing the recipes. Each class includes discussions on the healthy benefits of the ingredients. Upcoming classes include the Fall Cooking Series 2004 on Oct. 27. Wilson also offers a four-week Beginning Series, which she recommends as the best place to start as the class is the most informative. Dates for all classes and schedule changes can be found at www.macroval.com. Classes are held in Garden City and the fee for each class is \$25. Visit www.macroval.com or call (734) 261-2856 for more information.

SOUP

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Chestnut Foie Gras Soup) The recipes probably require an intermediate cooking skill, but Morrone keeps the ingredient lists simple and discusses substitutes (acorn or butternut

squash instead of a sugar pumpkin in the cream of pumpkin soup).

The soups cover all four seasons, too. Cream of parsnip and cream of pumpkin soups with parsnip chips will brighten that cloudy fall day. Winters will warm up with cream of cauliflower and toquefort soup, and spring will be greet-

ed with green asparagus soup. Chilled avocado soup with Hawaiian Plantation Shrimp surely will hit the spot on a summer afternoon.

The book also gives other versatile tips that you can incorporate into other dishes. For example, the roasted eggplant soup includes a pickled eggplant garnish along with

the roasted eggplant in the soup. You can create the pickled eggplant for other dishes, such as green salads, as a spread or to top bruschetta.

Morrone encourages readers to enjoy the recipes and that they should not be intimidated by them. By all means experiment with ingredients and simplify where necessary, as

suggested in the recipe sidebar notes, Morrone said. The beauty of soups is that they are versatile — they can be rustic or elegant and made for large or small gatherings.

Most of all, soup is a comforting food with satisfying flavors and textures.

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Refried beans, sweet potatoes make quick, gourmet vegetarian dishes

BY J M HIRSCH
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

HYDE PARK, N.Y. (AP) — When I recently dropped off Leo at The Culinary Institute of America, it was with a mixture of pride and profound concern.

Unlike so many of his teenage peers, Leo knew early what he wanted in life and worked hard to get it. He didn't fritter away his time on nonsense television; he was planted firmly in front of the Food Network learning how to make fritters.

And while most boys his age lust over tabloid-style models, his bedside reading tends to be populated more by the Emerils and Ming Tsas of the world. Leo and I were paired up as part of a mentoring program several years ago. Since then I have watched his culinary interests grow, and helped to nudge him along this path with more than a dash of pride. And I confess I planted the idea of The Culinary Institute.

So why the concern? When that thick acceptance envelope arrived last spring I realized I knew little about what Leo actually would learn when he headed off to what is one of the world's top culinary schools.

So I hit the stacks and started my research. And I wasn't sure I liked what I found.

When Leo graduates I want him to understand food as more than an object to be crafted. I want him to know it as a source of passion and emotion, as something which goes to the heart of culture and family.

When he picks up an heirloom tomato at the farmers market, I want him to appreciate the care the grower put into it, to sense the generations of men and women who saved their seeds so he could pick that fruit.

My concern was attitude and approach. Would the school turn him into one of those pretentious chefs more concerned with style than substance? Would he graduate with funky foie gras notions?

Or would he learn that the joy of food is the visceral connection it provides between people and their environment? Would he know that sometimes the most meaningful, most impressive dishes are those cooked by people who aren't cooks?

I was afraid not. I flipped through *The Professional Chef* (Wiley, 2002, \$65), a massive and somewhat cold textbook-cum-cookbook put together by The Culinary Institute.

Sure, there's plenty of real food. The chowders and scalloped potatoes and hush puppies get their due. But those items are paired with a disconcerting number of dishes the average person can't pronounce, never mind desire.

And what about vegetarian sensibilities? When Leo and I toured the school last winter the perky student showing us around acted as though meatless meals were part of some exotic religion to be observed but not tried.

Despite my concerns, I held my peace and dropped him off, fearing my bias for rustic goodness wasn't in Leo's best interest.

Then The Culinary Institute's latest book, *Gourmet Meals in Minutes* (Lebhar Friedman, 2004, \$40), landed on my desk. I fell in love. The book is beautiful, approachable and, most important, it is full of real food. So there are signs of another side to these food pros after all.

There are sauteed pork medallions with apple chutney, Reuben sandwiches, grilled chicken Caesar salads, even an impressive vegetarian chapter (not to mention oodles of other veg-friendly items throughout).

The recipes generally are easy and the methods intuitive, mostly sparing home cooks the sort of elaborate or complicated techniques and

equipment I feared Leo would come to rely on.

One complaint: Most of the recipes serve eight, an unusual number for a book clearly aimed at the home cook.

For testing, I opted for some of the book's truly rustic dishes, including refried beans.

They were terrific and, as the book's title suggests, quick and simple to make. They went wonderfully with tortilla chips and fresh salsa and would be great in burritos.

Also appealing are the vegetable burgers, an unusual combination of matzo meal and a variety of finely grated vegetables, a four-cheese pasta dish, and a capellini pasta with grilled vegetables and Gorgonzola cheese.

And no foie gras to be found.

Now I can rest easy knowing that while Leo will and should learn four-star finesse, he'll be among cooks with an understanding of real food for real people.

VEGETARIAN REFRIED BEANS

(Preparation: 30 minutes)

1 tablespoon corn oil
2 cups diced onion
2 tablespoons minced garlic
1 cup diced tomatoes
1/2 tablespoon salt or to taste
Four 15 1/2-ounce cans pinto beans, rinsed and drained
1 teaspoon cumin seeds, toasted and cracked (ground cumin can be substituted)
1 teaspoon chili powder
Hot pepper sauce to taste

Heat the oil in a large skillet.

Add the onions and garlic and saute over a medium flame until the onions are translucent, about 5 minutes.

Add the tomatoes, salt and beans. Mash the beans using a potato masher until only some of the beans remain whole.

Cook over a low flame, stirring constantly until the flavors are well developed, about 10 minutes.

Season with cumin, chili powder and hot pepper sauce. Makes 8 servings.

(Recipe from The Culinary Institute of America's *Gourmet Meals in Minutes*)

SWEET POTATO CAKES

(Preparation: 40 minutes)

3 russet potatoes, peeled and quartered
2 sweet potatoes, peeled and quartered

1/2 cup bread crumbs
1/2 cup milk
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
2 tablespoons chopped chives
1 tablespoon chopped sage
1/4 teaspoon salt or to taste
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper or to taste

Preheat the oven to 250 degrees Fahrenheit.

Combine the russet and sweet potatoes in a large saucepan and add enough water to cover.

Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to simmer covered until the sweet potatoes are tender, about 15 minutes.

Using tongs, transfer the sweet potatoes to a baking sheet while allowing the russet potatoes to cook an additional 5 to 10 minutes or until tender.

Drain the russet potatoes and place on the baking sheet.

Place the potatoes in the oven to steam-dry, about 5 minutes.

Remove the potatoes from the oven and increase the temperature to 475 degrees Fahrenheit.

Pass the hot potatoes through a food mill or ricer set over a large bowl.

Let stand until slightly cooled.

Stir in the remaining ingredients.

Form the mixture into 16 small cakes, about 1/2-inch thick.

Spray a baking sheet with cooking spray and arrange the cakes on it.

Bake the cakes until golden on both sides, turning as necessary, about 12 minutes.

(Recipe from The Culinary Institute of America's *Gourmet Meals in Minutes*)

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Tangy skirt steak ready in 30 minutes Green soybean highlights multi-bean medley

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The concept of quick cooking may bring a dismal premonition of some rushed procedure, a fast, flavorless concoction flung together with no thought.

But it doesn't have to be so. Take a deep breath, grab a smart recipe, and count on a happier outcome.

For example, this sauteed skirt steak with braised scallions, brightened with the tang of lime juice, can be ready for the table in about 30 minutes, without skimping one bit on taste.

The recipe by Shelley Wiseman is from *Gourmet* magazine's October issue, in the *Gourmet Every Day* feature.

A suggested side dish is steamed broccoli with olive oil and Parmesan, which will take 10 minutes to prepare.

SAUTEED SKIRT STEAK WITH BRAISED SCALLIONS

(Active time 25 minutes, start to finish 30 minutes)
1 1/2 pounds skirt steak cut into 4 pieces

- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon black pepper
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 pound scallions (3 or 4 bunches) trimmed to 7 inches long
- 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice or to taste
- Garnish: Lime wedges

Put oven rack in middle position and preheat oven to 200 degrees Fahrenheit.

Pat steaks dry and sprinkle with 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper.

Heat oil and 1 tablespoon butter in a 12-inch heavy skillet over moderately high heat until foam subsides, then cook steaks, turning over once, 5 to 7 minutes total for medium rare. Transfer steaks to a plate and keep warm in oven.

Discard fat from skillet, then add water and bring to a boil, scraping up brown bits from bottom of skillet.

Add scallions and remaining tablespoon butter, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper, and cook, tightly covered, over moderate heat until scallions are tender, 5 to 7 minutes.

Transfer scallions with tongs

to a platter and put steaks on top.

Pour any steak juices accumulated on plate into juices in skillet and boil until slightly thickened.

Add lime juice and pour sauce over steaks and scallions. Makes 4 servings.

STEAMED BROCCOLI WITH OLIVE OIL AND PARMESAN

(Active time 10 minutes, start to finish 10 minutes)

- 1 1/2 pounds broccoli (1 large bunch) tough stems discarded
- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 1/2 ounces finely grated Parmigiano Reggiano cheese (3/4 cup)

Cut broccoli into 1 1/2- to 2-inch-wide florets. Peel stems and cut lengthwise into 1/8-inch-wide sticks.

Steam broccoli in a steamer rack set over boiling water, covered until tender, 5 to 6 minutes.

Transfer to a bowl and toss with oil, cheese, and salt and pepper to taste. Makes 4 servings.

You can eat well and be trendy too.

Edamame (pronounced 'eh-dah-MAH me') has become a fashionable vegetable in recent years. Large peas nestled in a pod about the size of a sugar snap pea, the green soybean is sweet, crisp and packed with all the nutrients that put soy in the health headlines.

Although the effects of eating soy are controversial, soy has been linked in some studies to a lower incidence of breast cancer. Studies show that Asian women have very low rates of breast cancer compared to women in the west (The Chinese have eaten soybeans since the 3rd century A.D., the Japanese by the tenth). However, when Asian women migrate to western countries and start eating typical western diets, their breast cancer rates begin to rise.

Researchers are still investigating if soy consumption can really lower cancer risk and if so, how much is beneficial. Some scientists have reported benefits with as little as 11 grams of soy protein a day.

The Chinese call soybeans "mao dao" or "hair bean," because of their fuzzy pods. The Japanese named them "edamame" (meaning branch beans) the name they are usually known by here in the United States.

Until recently, edamame were available only in Asian food stores. Now many super markets sell them frozen in bags, either shelled or in the pod.



MULTI-BEAN MEDLEY

- 8 ounces green beans, trimmed and halved crosswise
- 1 (1 pound) bag frozen edamame
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 cup onion, finely chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, finely minced
- 1 bay leaf
- Fresh rosemary sprigs to taste
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 1 can small white beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 carrot, diced
- 1 celery rib, diced
- 1 cup fat free, reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 3 tablespoons flat leaf parsley, finely chopped to taste

Bring a pot of salted water to a boil. Add green beans and cook at a simmer until crisp-tender, about 4 minutes. Drain and transfer beans to a bowl of ice water. When beans are cool, drain well.

Return pot of water to a boil and add edamame.

Cook 4 minutes, drain and rinse under cold water. If edamame are in pods, shell them. (To speed preparation time, use two pots to cook green beans and edamame at the same time.)

In a 4-quart saucepan, heat olive oil. Add onion, garlic, bay leaf and rosemary. Cook over low heat, stirring, until onion is soft, 3 to 4 minutes. Add white beans, carrots, celery and stock. Bring to a simmer and cook, covered about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add green beans and edamame and simmer, uncovered, until just heated through. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Stir in parsley. Discard bay leaf and rosemary sprigs and serve. Makes 6 servings.

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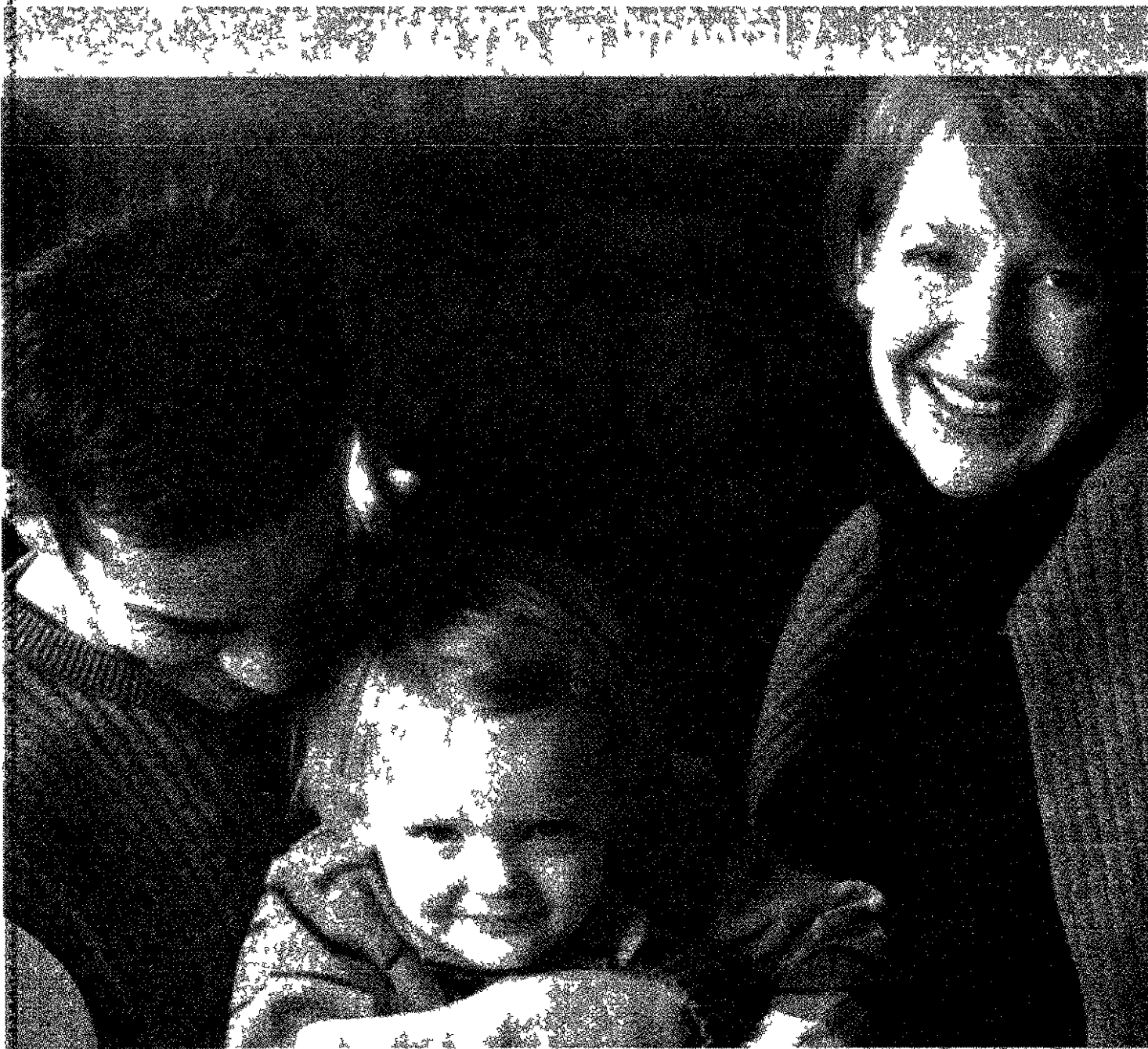
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More than 50 Native Americans, representing the

people of the Three Fires (Ottawa, Ojibway and Potawatomi) will perform Displays, demonstrations and a natural beverage bar by Whole Foods Market will be added to this year's festival.

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Pear smoothie, pumpkin muffins produce breakfast for pampering

BY J M HIRSCH
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CONCORD, N.H. (AP) - Few things can make a man who loves to cook feel more utterly useless than a newborn. Admittedly, I'd gotten a bit ahead of myself by the time my wife and I brought our son home from the hospital recently. My head already was full of tastes and textures I wanted him to experience as soon as possible.

Would he pucker at Parmesan dunked in balsamic? Would he savor the crisp tartness of Cortland apples picked from the orchard down the street? And what about tomatoes, lightly seasoned with olive oil, sea salt and freshly cracked black pepper?

More important, would my wife let me near the child once she learned what I was thinking?

It probably is for the best that her more informed opinion that solid foods should wait prevailed. Nonetheless, this leaves me rooting about searching for some way to feel useful and satisfy his needs (beyond diaper drudgery).

When Parker cries for his 3 a.m. feeding, there is little I can do to comfort him. A frustrating position for the house cook. I admit 36 hours of labor entitles my wife to her monopoly on the joy of feeding our little bundle, but it still leaves me feeling lame.

Truth is, I was sure I would even face this problem. Plenty of people warned that once the little guy came along, I'd be so tired and so overwhelmed I would lose all interest in cooking.

Overwhelmed and tired? Certainly. But not at the expense of my need to cook. Blame the nesting instinct, and a dad's desire to help his son along on his culinary explorations. Autumn's abundance of great food doesn't hurt, either.

The obvious answer, of course, is cooking for his mom, who is entitled to some pampering - and, after nearly a week of hospital food, to something more than Jell-O.

Breakfast seemed the best bet for giving her a treat. Dinner is predictable and too often interrupted by crying. Plus, a Sunday morning spread seemed the perfect way to celebrate our little one's one-week anniversary at home.

For inspiration, I turned to Mollie Katzen's *Sunlight Cafe* (Hyperion, 2002, \$29.95), which is dedicated to all things breakfast. Many of her recipes are simple and speedy - essential ingredients for a peaceful breakfast with a baby in the background.

I decided to start off with a vanilla-pear smoothie that calls for ripe pears, apple juice and yogurt. The pear tree in our back yard is laden and the little one has kept us from preserving the fruit as we had hoped. Now at least my wife will get a taste.

To continue the seasonal fruit theme, I also opted for Katzen's caramelized fruit, a deliciously different take on fruit salad. Any combination of fruit works, but I found fresh pineapple best. If you use more delicate fruits such as apples, reduce the cooking time, else you will end up with apple-sauce.

Finally, a batch of pumpkin muffins warm from the oven. Not only did I like the seasonal element of this item, I also figured muffins are easy to eat

with one hand, just in case Parker had grown pouty by this point.

VANILLA-PEAR SMOOTHIE

(Preparation: 5 minutes)
2-medium ripe pears, peeled and sliced (about 2 cups)
1 to 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
1/4-teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup vanilla yogurt
Pear nectar or apple juice
Maple syrup

Combine the pears, lemon juice, vanilla and yogurt in a blender and puree until smooth. Use the apple juice or pear nectar to thin the smoothie to the desired consistency. Sweeten to taste with maple syrup.

Makes 1 to 2 servings.

(Recipe from Mollie Katzen's *Sunlight Cafe*.)

CARAMELIZED FRUIT

(Preparation: 20 minutes)
1 to 1/4-pound fresh fruit (apples, pears, apricots and pineapple are nice)
1 to 2 teaspoons unsalted butter
1 tablespoon vinegar (raspberry cider or balsamic)
3/4 to 1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 cup orange juice
Lemon or lime wedges

Leaving the peels on, cut the fruit into thick slices.

Heat a medium skillet over a medium flame for 1 minute. Add the butter and swirl to coat the pan.

Reduce heat to medium-low. Place the fruit skin-side down in the melted butter and cook for about 5 minutes, or until it softens slightly. Turn the fruit with a spatula and gently press down. Drizzle with vinegar and cook another 3 minutes.

Sprinkle the fruit with sugar and cook until the sugar melts.

If desired, place the pan under a preheated broiler for 3 to 5 minutes, or until the sugar turns golden. Be sure to check the fruit every minute after the first 3 minutes to prevent burning.

Remove the pan from the heat and transfer the fruit to a plate with a rim. Pour the orange juice

in the pan and stir to deglaze any sugar. Spoon this syrup over the fruit. Makes 2 to 3 servings.

(Recipe from Mollie Katzen's *Sunlight Cafe*.)

PUMPKIN MUFFINS

(Preparation: 15 minutes active, 25 minutes baking)
Nonstick spray
2 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
1/2-teaspoon salt
1 1/2-teaspoons baking powder
1 1/2-teaspoons cinnamon
1-teaspoon ground ginger
3/4-teaspoon allspice
3 to 4-tablespoons sugar
1-tablespoon chopped orange zest
1/2-cup (packed) dark brown sugar
1-cup mashed pumpkin
1 large egg
1/2-cup milk
1-tablespoon vanilla extract
4-tablespoons (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, melted

Preheat oven to 400 degrees Fahrenheit. Lightly spray 8 muffin cups with nonstick spray.

Combine the flour, salt, baking powder, spices, regular sugar and orange zest in a medium bowl. Crumble in the brown sugar and mix with a fork or your fingers until thoroughly combined. Place the pumpkin in a second medium bowl. Add the egg, milk and vanilla and beat with a whisk or fork until smooth. Slowly pour this mixture along with the melted butter, into the dry ingredients.

Using a spoon or rubber spatula, stir from the bottom of the bowl until the dry ingredients are moistened. Don't overmix, a few lumps are fine. Spoon the batter into the prepared muffin tins.

Bake in the middle of the oven for 20 to 25 minutes, or until lightly browned on top and a toothpick inserted in the center of a muffin comes out clean. Remove the muffins from the tins and cool for 30 minutes on a wire rack.

Makes 8 to 10 muffins.

(Recipe from Mollie Katzen's *Sunlight Cafe*.)

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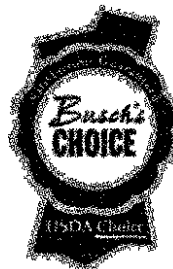
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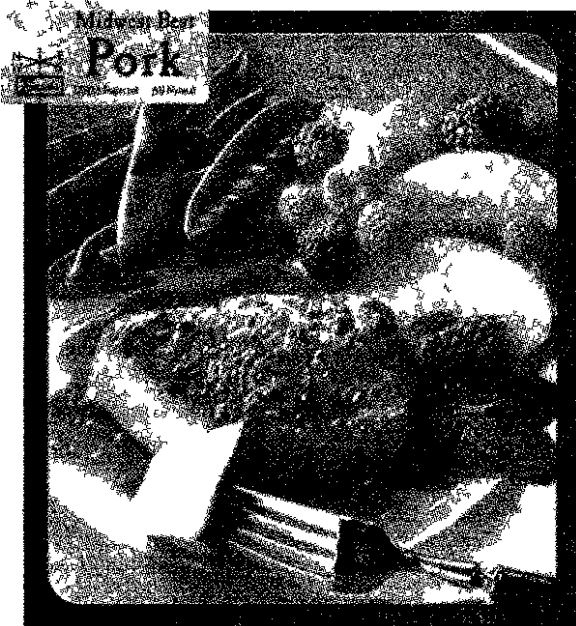
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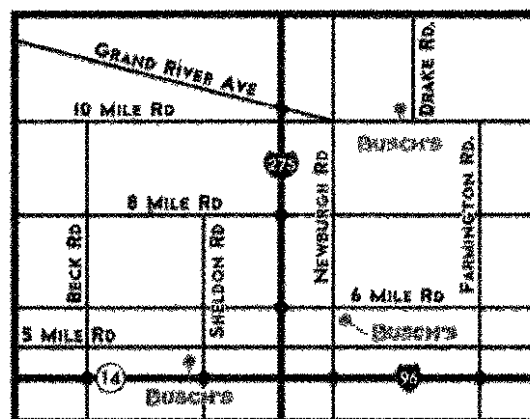


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LOOKING FOR MR. RIGHT

39 yrs old HI I am a easygoing attractive female who loves the outdoors and going to sporting events (especially my kids) I love movies and hanging out at home I am a single mom of 3 kids Ad# 736114

LOOKING FOR MY BEST FRIEND

44 yrs old SWF 5'6" short auburn hair Tired of being alone I'm looking for a friend with which to explore life I enjoy quiet times at home walks in the woods hiking dining out my dog and golf I want to try canoeing attend musicals/plays/theatre visit museums amusement parks and the zoo Ad# 968147

BELIEVER IN HAPPINESS

46 yrs old She is a down to earth 5'6" blonde hair blue eyed sweet SWF with a 15 year old daughter He would be a SM 40-60 who is able to express his feelings be family oriented and enjoy working around the house Ad# 729233

SIMPLY PUT...YOU'RE IT

47 yrs old SWF educated brown hair and brown eyes weighs 160 lbs Enjoys plays dinners board games and movies Looking to meet professional good looking men for companionship In the age range of 47-57-58 or taller to share good times with Ad# 1023419

HI, GUYS!

26 yrs old SBF 5'3" thick with dark complexion and dark hair/eyes Seeks down-to-earth SBM 26-36 who knows what he wants in life Ad# 1029834

MACOMB COUNTY

65 yrs old SWF I am a 5'2" brunette with dark eyes Searching for a tall financially secure gentleman who knows how to treat a lady like a queen Ad# 403303

I'M NEW AT THIS, BUT I'M GAME FOR FUN

59 yrs old New to this forum but I'm open to suggestion I work in the medical field and show and train Rotweilers in competitive obedience I enjoy movies music any food I don't have to cook art & craft fairs the zoo concerts and am a diehard Red Wing fan Ad# 968661

WANTED: HONEST, SEXY GUY

23 yrs old I am a fun ambitious outgoing young lady I love to watch football and basketball I enjoy reading romance novels and chic flicks Ad# 1028897

DO THESE THINGS REALLY WORK?

22 yrs old Well I am now a single mother of one beautiful little girl She is Two She is the center of my world I am newly divorced and I have just moved to a new city and am trying to meet new people I enjoy NASCAR racing dancing and staying home with my daughter Ad# 1027477

HI CHAT WITH ME IF U LIKE

20 yrs old I like to go to the mall hang out go shopping I am faithful to the highest mountain wanna know more holla back Ad# 1027575

LET'S HAVE A GOOD TIME

20 yrs old I'm a SWF with blonde hair blue eyes 5'4" and a N/S I'm looking for a SM 21-30 who is fun outgoing caring and loves to sit down and talk If you have kids that's okay I prefer a N/S Ad# 1026806

DON'T LET LIFE PASS YOU BY

49 yrs old Fun energetic and looking for someone to share the moment I like trying new things from food music and entertainment to travel going uptown and downtown city life or countryside Family is important and I am ambitious Ad# 718406

SHE'S INDEPENDANT

34 yrs old SWF 5'11" 280 lbs full figured smokes occasional drinker is independant and has one child She likes dining out movies bowling and much more Seeks a SM 29+ to get to know Ad# 1021004

RESPOND IF YOU MATCH

21 yrs old Seeks sweet single white male 21-27 who likes sports NASCAR shopping and is honest and trusting Ad# 1020309

WAITING TO HOLD HANDS

54 yrs old SWF petite blond Seeking SWM 18-64 who is active and lively enjoys travel is open to new things and does not identify to the person they were in high school/college because they are so satisfied in their life now Ad# 1019336

SEEKING HONEST COMPANION

23 yrs old I am a very easy going compassionate person who loves being around people but sometimes can be shy I have one son who is five and he is the center of my universe I love animals children the outdoors and having a good time I like outdoor activities like tennis golf and just going to the park Ad# 1009491

WIDOW

64 yrs old WWWF blonde hair green eyes physically fit Enjoys travel theatre dancing and fine dining Would love to find a nice guy to enjoy the above with ages 62-68 who has a good sense of humor and is fun to be with Ad# 726649

LINCOLN PARK GAL

25 yrs old I like to shot pool and do just about anything that sounds like fun I do have long hair that goes down to my butt I am 5'5" with bright blue eyes I love children and animals My friends seem to think I am a trip to hang out with I love to make people laugh I have a good sense of humor Ad# 1015714

SEXY SINGLE MOM

34 yrs old SBPF 34 5'1" 150 lbs attractive has one teenage child Enjoys dining out movies plays and outdoor activities Seeks a sincere good humored SBM 38-50 who loves kids and knows what he wants Ad# 1015757

WHY WOULD YOU WAIT?

55 yrs old This SWF loves to cook and enjoys home life She's seeking a good humored positive SWM 55-60 who likes movies long walks dining out boating and dancing Get in touch! Ad# 1015713

MAKE ME LAUGH

58 yrs old I'm a positive upbeat person who is fun to be with I have been told that I have a good sense of humor I have many interests including traveling boating walks good conversation museums plays sports and the list goes on and on I also have many friends who are very important to me Ad# 1015148

YOUNG-LOOKING LADY

60 yrs old SWF 5' blonde has children and grandchildren She loves traveling and is searching for an outdoorsy rugged SWM 58-64 who enjoys camping movies dancing Ad# 1014019

TAKE ME AS I AM

53 yrs old SBF 220 lbs employed N/S I love cooking sewing & dancing and hope to meet a nice sociable somewhat religious SBM under 68 5'9-6" tall Children OK Ad# 1012752

WANTS A TALL MAN

35 yrs old SBF 5'1" 180 lbs and has children Hobbies are reading and shopping Seeks a SBM 27-45 who is kind considerate fun loving a hard worker tall 6'+ has children or knows how to deal with them Ad# 1012745

MOONCHILD SEEKING A STAR

44 yrs old I love to smile laugh and love a good joke Love the outdoors art music and going to school I work in Medical insurance I enjoy long conversations late into the night romantic dinners and campouts on the living room floor I prefer casual to dressy but clean up pretty well Ad# 1010221

WANTS TO MEET YOU

62 yrs old SWF 5'6" 120 lbs brown eyes auburn hair Likes different activities Seeks a SWM 52-72 who enjoys dancing going to the movies attending plays and more He should be honest sincere kind and financially secure Ad# 1009864

CREATIVE LADY

23 yrs old Creative is a word to describe me I am an artist with a associates in graphic design and currently going to school at CCS College for Creative Studies to earn my bachelors in industrial design very outgoing and independent still a kid at heart Ad# 766949

LOOKING FOR YOU

35 yrs old Fun active and honest lady who has a variety of interests and someone who loves life! Getting to know me will be an adventure for you and also lots of fun Ad# 543413

HARDTOHANDLE

48 yrs old Looking for someone that can keep up with me It's wonderful and sunny out it's summer! Let's use the wonderful weather to it's fullest extent! We could play in the sand (sandtraps) walk in the water (hopefully not after a ball) climb some hills play n the grass Ad# 766949

FRESH FRECKLED FACE

32 yrs old SWF plus sized red hair freckles big brown eyes 4 year old son P/T like movies dinner dancing new people crafts animals outdoors and much more Not a drinker or smoker but you can be Ad# 969315

SPARK MY INTEREST

47 yrs old I have been told that I am very creative no matter what I am doing I also am the kind of person who can find the good in any situation I avoid conflict and I like to have fun I hope to meet someone who can spark my interest and have fun doing it I love sports a good movie or maybe staying in sharing a bottle of wine or a couple of beers and enjoy the game on tv Ad# 968458

SAIL AWAY

50 yrs old I love life Sailing is a passion being on a white sandy beach with a mask and snorkel in hand listening to the ocean and letting the salt air cover me I love to travel Being spontaneous and fun is so important My children and family are #1 in my life Ad# 967531

HI

36 yrs old I love to laugh and joke around My sense of humour is a bit on the sarcastic side but I can take what I give out I do have a serious side though Ad# 964006

CARING ATTRACTIVE

53 yrs old DWF looks younger N/S N/D easy to talk to good friend enjoys movies eating out being pampered Looking for a SWM N/D best friend for a long term committed relationship Ad# 798074

Men Seeking Women

DO YOU LIKE TO LAUGH?

38 yrs old I am an easy going guy I am not too serious but can be when I should The kitchen is my thing you won't go hungry as long as I am around I like to get out and enjoy the day I exercise 3-4 times a week My match would be someone who likes foot massages at the end of the day Ad# 679702

I'M SWEET

21 yrs old I'm a college student looking to meet some new people I enjoy bowling and partying as well as a quiet movie at home with that special person Ad# 736989

LOOKING FOR YOU!

40 yrs old Professional humorous and clean-cut I am also emotionally and financially secure Adventurous too! Waiting for that someone special Ad# 714941

NEED A GOOD WOMAN

35 yrs old Hello I'm kind of new at this and I don't really put myself in a position to meet women so figured what the heck I'll try this any way I have a great family and we're very close three sisters and a brother I enjoy sports I play hockey softball golf Ad# 1028550

ROMANCING YOU

58 yrs old Searching everywhere for my soul mate I'm a Waterford resident 5'7" 165 lbs offering honesty fun and romance Looking for a fun loving intelligent female who has a little bit of a wild side and who would enjoy being part of a romantic relationship Ad# 577320

MAN WITH FEELINGS

54 yrs old I am a widowed honest intelligent sensitive romantic caring secure man who is not afraid to express his feelings I want a woman to love and spoil Honesty and openness are a must Ad# 1029589

LIFE'S CHALLENGES

42 yrs old I'm a SWM 6' 190 lbs with brown gray hair and brown eyes I'm seeking a SWF 38-45 to have fun with and live through it's challenges I'm also looking for a person that is warm at heart Ad# 1029970

FUN LIFE

68 yrs old SWM 6'1" 210 lbs brown hair and eyes active easy going and fun to be around Seeking an affectionate SF age unimportant who is fun to be with Ad# 683232

LET'S BE HAPPY TOGETHER

49 yrs old SWM hardworking 5'8" 175 lbs Seeking a SWF 45-48 who is easygoing intelligent and fit for a long term relationship in the Redford area only No E mails please! Ad# 406401

SEARCHING FOR YOUR...MAKE THE CALL

45 yrs old The last first date will be when we meet I am respectful successful and presentable You may never have this opportunity again Ad# 569484

HELLO LADIES

50 yrs old I'm a male Working full time for the government Looking for someone to spend quality time with Enjoy movies dining concerts and walks in the park Enjoy traveling I like to laugh and have a good time Don't be shy let's get together Ad# 618025

FAMILY BEFORE FRIENDS

40 yrs old SWM 5'8" black hair and brown eyes I'm looking for SWF 34-44 who loves kids and willing to spend time with us I like to do anything and everything and will try something new Ad# 1028922

MUSCULAR & ATHLETIC

45 yrs old Single white male 6'2" 209 lbs brown hair blue eyes clean-cut never married I have no dependents an outgoing personality and have a degree I enjoy roller blading working out etc Seeking a friendly single female Wayne County Ad# 404066

WOW POINT, CLICK, ROMANCE!

58 yrs old I'm skeptical yet cyber space may be a way to meet a woman to love But love takes time to establish and it is dynamic To me love is chemistry affection caring giving and take faithfulness sharing trust selfless and fun I long to hold a woman close to me Ad# 774718

SHY GUY

59 yrs old Quiet Waterford gent looking for a slim area lady who is comfortable with who she is I enjoy my work fishing cooking and visits with my grand children Ad# 728860

LET'S HAVE FUN!

34 yrs old SWM S/D tired of being lonely Intelligent and financially secure Enjoys music out doors camping movies sports and cooking Very spontaneous and loves kids Looking for an open minded woman 18-37 For companionship maybe more Ad# 778870

EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL

45 yrs old SWM 5'8" fit light brown hair blue eyes Looking for a passionate compassionate professional SWF 28-45 Oakland or Wayne County Ad# 449863

DREAM A LITTLE DREAM

43 yrs old SWM warm fun loving and good humored I love art antiques sightseeing and I get along with children and pets I am seeking a SWF to share happiness and romance Ad# 1026282

I HAVE LOTS OF ENERGY

63 yrs old SWM 5'8" 148 lbs with brown hair hazel eyes and I am a smoker I enjoy all kinds of sports Seeking a SF who is active is a smoker and if you have children that's fine Ad# 1024623

WILL YOU JOIN ME?

50 yrs old SWM 6' brown hair blue eyes Enjoys dining dancing movies good conversation and more Seeking an honest and outgoing SWF 35-50 who is a good conversationalist friendly and down-to-earth for a possible relationship Ad# 634718

LET'S BE HONEST

35 yrs old I'm Carlo an Italian looking for my right person Looks are not that important to me because they are a temporary thing but what she has inside her heart stays for ever Honesty respect and trust are my way in life Lets talk and be happy Ad# 966050

ANY REAL WOMEN LEFT?

33 yrs old Nice man from Europe looking for his angel No games and no ladies who is arrogant selfish and big headed Ad# 780175

HI!

43 yrs old I'm an easy going guy I have many interests mostly outdoor activities Boating camping sports concerts I like classic rock and country music I have triplet daughters 7 years old I spent four years in the Marines and have a college education I work out regularly and maintain a good fitness level Ad# 1016690

NEVER A BORING MOMENT

58 yrs old WWW 6'1" and 270 lbs blue eyes and light brown hair Looking forward to meeting someone that enjoys theatre sport events and stimulating conversations I do a radio talk show and I am compassionate kind and have adorable knees! Ad# 1023409

CALL IF YOU ARE THE ONE!

38 yrs old SWM 6' 200 lbs green eyes employed Searching for a caring honest and trustworthy SWF 35-40 under 150 lbs Ad# 965692

I WILL COOK TONIGHT

37 yrs old Loving caring sensitive humorous SWM 5'5" husky build Enjoys church music cooking and long walks Looking for a SWF 32-47 medium/full figured and I would prefer a blonde Ad# 448005

HONEY DO MAN

65 yrs old Slim white male desires down to earth attractive female a little over weight ok but shapely Be neat clean and affectionate and I can be your honey do man Ad# 1018731

JUST AN AVERAGE GUY SEARCHING!

46 yrs old A goal oriented person who sometimes has too much energy I can make a woman laugh and at times sad enjoy doing activities outdoors as well as in Are you someone that will encourage others and take criticism when needed? I can! Am willing to help others Ad# 1018364

SOLITARY MAN SEEKS GIRLFRIEND & SOULMATE

38 yrs old Hello! I am never married white male I'm 6'1" 275 lbs (husky heavyset build) In addition to my interests listed I enjoy good conversation dining out current events computers long walks bicycling boating and most any thing involving the outdoors & nature Ad# 624855

LOOKING FOR THAT ONE

34 yrs old I'm a father of three very outgoing and love life if you wanna know ask Ad# 1019140

WILLING TO TRY?

21 yrs old SEIM 6' with brown hair hazel eyes Loves going to the beach and hopes to talk with a SF 18-25 who has long dark hair beautiful eyes a caramel complexion and is a little shorter than him Ad# 1019576

MAKE A CHANGE

49 yrs old Honest outgoing well established DWM N/S looking for an honest SWF 42-52 who enjoys a wide variety of interests Livingston County Area preferred Ad# 1015291

YOUNG AT HEART

61 yrs old Single white male looking for single white female for friendship possibly more Ad# 777271

WILL YOU BE THERE FOR ME?

41 yrs old SWM 5'6" nice build blond blue eyes smoker occasional drinker I'm searching for an easygoing humorous SWF for fun times Ad# 1015815

DROP HIM A LINE

22 yrs old SWM attends college full time and works part time Likes camping fishing and outdoors Seeks a SF 18-25 who is good to get to know Ad# 1014931

SHARE NICE CONVERSATION

50 yrs old SWM 6' 190 lbs employed Loves sports and the outdoors Seeks a SF 30+ average height/build preferably with no children Ad# 1014524

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?

26 yrs old I am an easygoing guy Tons of fun good looking and where would I be without my sense of humor? Ad# 768791

ENJOY EVERY SINGLE DAY

58 yrs old This SWM 5'11" 195 lbs seeks an honest sincere SWF 40-64 to cuddle with and share the finer things in life Ad# 1014060

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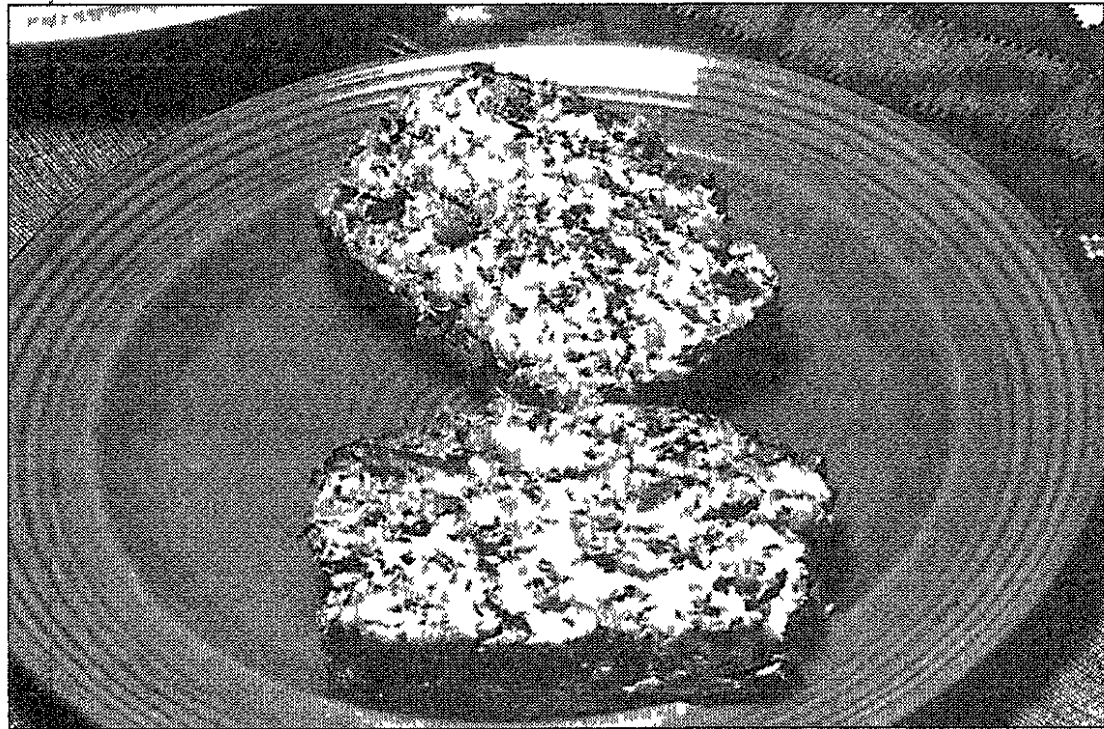
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Oats, spinach, corn and tomatoes are blended with ground turkey and chili powder for this Southwestern meatloaf.

Meat loaf has a place in a healthful diet

As the air begins to chill, thoughts of warm kitchens and comfort foods replace those of outdoor dining and grilling. America's favorite comfort food is probably meat loaf. But many diet-committed, health-conscious diners take it off the menu for fear of saturated fat. Relax. You can have your meat loaf and eat it too. The easy availability of lean ground poultry and good frozen vegetables enable cooks to produce a tasty, attractive version of mom's meat loaf. Turkey breast is a low-fat, high-protein ingredient. Buy turkey breast ground, and you have a perfect start for your healthful meat loaf.

Something like meat loaf has been made in the cuisines of many countries for centuries. When ground meat became common and affordable, the meat loaf took firm hold as an every-day dish. Each family had its own recipe, and variations were common depending on what was in the refrigerator and pantry.

In the 1980s, meat loaf became chic. There was Tex-Mex meat loaf, Italian meat loaf, meat loaf with sun-dried tomatoes. The point is, meat loaf can be just about anything you want it to be. In the following recipe, oats, spinach, corn and tomatoes are blended into ground turkey, making it easier to reach your five-or-more-a-day goal. They also help you stretch the meat into more servings. The spinach and the corn add color as well as nutrients as well as phytochemicals. The corn also provides a nice crunch.

SOUTHWESTERN MEATLOAF

- 1/2 cup rolled oats (not quick cooking or instant)
- 2 egg whites beaten until frothy
- 1 can (14 ounces) diced tomatoes
- 1 1/4 pounds ground turkey
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1 package frozen spinach defrosted, squeezed dry and finely chopped
- 1/2 cup small corn kernels

(frozen canned or fresh)
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/4 cup chili sauce or ketchup
Preheat oven to 375° F

In a large bowl, use a fork to mix together oats, egg whites and tomato. Blend in turkey, chili powder and oregano. Mix in spinach and corn until well blended. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Transfer meatloaf to an 8 by 5- by 3-inch loaf pan. Bake, uncovered, for 45 minutes. Spread chili sauce or ketchup over top. Continue baking until the juices run clear when the meatloaf is pierced with knife or the temperature in the center registers 165 degrees.

Transfer meatloaf from the oven to a rack on a counter and let sit 15 minutes before slicing. Makes 8 servings.
Nutritional information per serving: 172 calories, 7 g total fat (2 g saturated fat), 12 g carbohydrate, 16 g protein, 3 g dietary fiber, 420 mg sodium.
Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

Halibut entree is simple, stylish

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The combination of steamed halibut with couscous, and a side dish of cherry tomatoes, makes an elegant presentation for entertaining guests.

But you could also serve the halibut alone for a simpler meal or vary the accompanying items.

Best of all, these dishes are quickly made - and low in fat.

This suggested main course is part of a "cooking class" feature in *Cooking Light* magazine's October issue, written by Donata Maggipinto, entertaining and home style contributor to NBC's *The Today Show*, and cookbook writer.

The message of the feature is that successful dinner parties don't have to be complicated or fussy. Keep it simple yet stylish to make a big impression.

The colorful entree is inspired by the Italian vegetable dish peperonata, which includes sweet bell peppers, garlic and onions.

Use a large, 2-inch-deep skillet to make sure everything fits.

- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 4 garlic cloves minced
- 1 cup dry white wine
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh oregano
- Six 6 ounce halibut fillets

Heat oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add onion, bell peppers, 1/4 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon black pepper, and garlic. Sauté 20 minutes or until tender. Stir in wine, basil and oregano, cook 1 minute. Sprinkle fish with the remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper, arrange fish over bell pepper mixture. Cover, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes or until fish flakes easily when tested with a fork.

Makes 6 servings (serving size: 1 fillet and 1/4 cup bell pepper mixture).

Nutrition information per serving: 298 cal, 7.8 g fat (1.1 g saturated), 38.1 g protein, 18.8 g carbohydrate, 4.8 g fiber, 54 mg cholesterol, 394 mg sodium.

Earthy saffron is lifted by peppery green onions in this quick side dish. Serve with the halibut to soak up the tasty juices.

SAFFRON COUSCOUS

- 2 1/4 cups fat free less sodium chicken broth
- 1/4 teaspoon saffron threads crushed
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 1/2 cups uncooked couscous
- 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup chopped green onion tops

Bring broth to a simmer in a small saucepan. Add saffron, stirring to dissolve. Cover and keep warm.

Heat oil in a medium saucepan over medium-high heat. Add couscous, cook 1 minute, stirring constantly. Add broth mixture, hot sauce salt and pepper, bring to a boil. Cover, remove from heat, and let stand 5 minutes. Fluff with a fork, stir in onions.

Makes 6 servings (serving size: 2/3 cup).

Nutrition information per serving: 212 cal, 4.8 g fat (0.7 g saturated), 6.7 g protein, 34.4 g carbohydrate, 2.4 g fiber, 0 mg cholesterol, 275 mg sodium.

Grape tomatoes also work well in this recipe.

SAUTÉED CHERRY TOMATOES WITH SHALLOTS

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 3 tablespoons finely chopped shallots (about 1 large)
- 4 cups cherry tomatoes
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

Heat olive oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add shallots, cook 2-1/2 minutes or until tender, stirring occasionally. Add tomatoes, cook 5 minutes or until slightly soft and thoroughly heated. Remove from heat. Stir in parsley, salt and pepper. Serve immediately.

Makes 6 servings (serving size: about 1/2 cup).

Nutrition information per serving: 39 cal, 1.9 g fat (0.3 g saturated), 1.1 g protein, 5.7 g carbohydrate, 1.2 g fiber, 0 mg cholesterol, 206 mg sodium.

TRIPLE-PEPPER STEAMED HALIBUT

- 1 1/2 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 cups vertically sliced yellow onion
- 2 1/2 cups (1/2 inch strips) red bell pepper (about 2 large)
- 2 1/2 cups (1/2 inch strips) yellow bell pepper (about 2 large)
- 2 1/2 cups (1/2 inch strips) orange bell pepper (about 2 large)
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

ON THE MOVE

Saturday, October 30, 2004 at 8:00pm

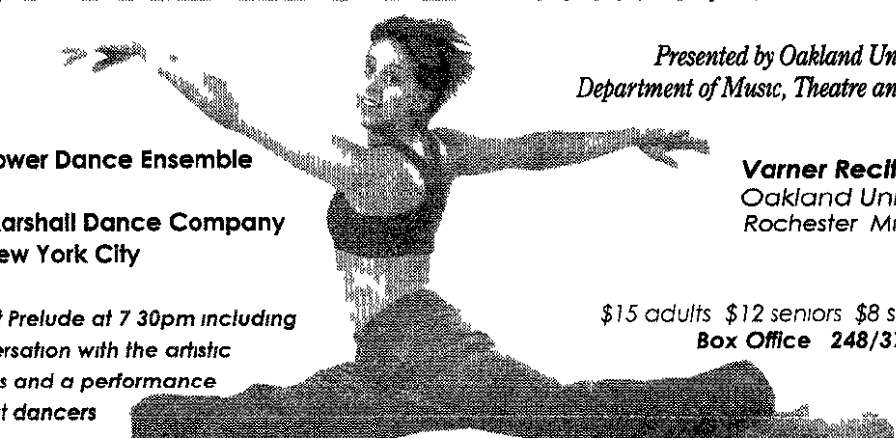
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Enjoy pears, the queen of fruits

BY LEE REICH
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Bite into a tree-ripened pear Yecchh! It's brown and mushy on the inside

Pears, except for Asian pears and the Seckel variety, are among the few fruits that taste best if picked underripe, then ripened indoors

And there is as much art to picking and ripening a pear as to growing it. Perhaps more, because pears are relatively easy to grow

You can't pick just any unripe pear and then expect it to ripen well

Unless the fruit is sufficiently mature, it merely shrivels without ever developing any sweetness or flavor

One way to tell when to pick a pear is by looking at it. The skin becomes paler, but only slightly so. Even better would be to look at the raised bumps, called lenticels, on the skin,

they change from white to brown as harvest approaches

A more direct way to tell when to harvest is to lift a fruit upward, with a slight twist. If it's ready to be picked, it will readily pop off the branch

Harvested fruit can go into storage, or else can be ripened for eating. The refrigerator is a good place to store pears, as long as you maintain high humidity by putting the pears into a plastic bag having a few holes

Very cool, but not freezing, temperatures are ideal. Some pear varieties, such as Anjou, Bosc, Comice, Eldorado and Packhams Triumph, won't ripen unless they have been first exposed to several weeks of cool temperatures

But don't store any pear too long or it will never ripen well. Pay as much attention to ripening a pear as to picking and storing it

Pears need more warmth for

ripening than for storage, ideally a room at temperatures between 60 and 70 degrees. Drafts should be avoided so that the ripening fruit doesn't dry out

But don't put the fruit in a bag, or it will ripen too quickly because of a buildup of ripening gases

The moment for eating now approaches. Check the ripening fruit almost daily by gently pressing your finger against the flesh near the stem

When the flesh gives just a little, the time has come. Get out the silver knife, light some candles, and experience the Queen of Fruits at her best

The window of perfection for a ripe pear is fleeting, and if you become inundated with too many ripe fruits at once, dry them, marinate them in wine, or half and then bake them topped with a slice of Cheddar cheese

Quick chicken dish features peppers, olives

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

"The simpler the better" is a phrase that's welcome to many busy cooks

When it's followed by the words "sensational home cooking," who's not going to be avid to know more?

The whole deal is set out in the title of a new cookbook, *The Simpler The Better: Sensational Home Cooking in 3 Easy Steps* by Leslie Revsin (Wiley, 2004, \$24.95)

Revsin is a chef, food writer and consultant, known for having been the first woman chef at New York's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, but also as a television food-show host and author of several other cookbooks

Revsin says she was prompted to write this book to help her daughter, the working mother of two little boys, balance her limited time with her desire to cook

Revsin's goal for the book: Pared-down cooking. Really good food. And no gimmicks

So here are some 100 recipes, each of which you can make in three steps or

fewer, in under 30 minutes, using readily available ingredients

The cooking also calls for as few pots and pans as possible, Revsin says

After all, why use two pots when one will get the job done?

For the following dish, chicken, vegetables and olive oil cook under cover over very low heat

This simple technique creates aromatic steam, which helps keep the chicken juicy," Revsin says

"Meanwhile, the peppers, olives, garlic and oil blend their flavors in a delicious, concentrated way"

Suggested sides: roasted or grilled summer squash, and green beans

breasts 7 ounces each

Coarsely chop olives. Heat olive oil in a large skillet over low heat

Stir in roasted peppers, garlic, chopped olives and tomato puree

Season with salt and 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 3 to 4 minutes

Add chicken to skillet, cover pan, and reduce heat to as low as possible

Cook, turning once, until chicken is white throughout, about 8 minutes

Serve chicken hot, with sauce spooned on top

Makes 4 servings

Cook's tips: The quality of prepared roasted peppers varies widely

Look for jars that contain vivid red peppers that appear firm and whole. Check the label to avoid those that have citric acid listed

Variation: To add a little heat to the dish, sprinkle in a big pinch of hot pepper flakes as the chicken cooks

(Recipe from *The Simpler The Better: Sensational Home Cooking in 3 Easy Steps* by Leslie Revsin)

Team up pasta with vegetables

(NAPS) There's good news for those who are passionate about pasta. Researchers and dietticians say this much-loved food is good for you - and with good reason

Pasta is a low-glycemic-index (GI) food. This means it does not cause sugar in the blood to rise quickly, so consumers receive the benefits of prolonged carbohydrate absorption. Pasta has a lower GI than wheat bread and oatmeal

Pasta meals are efficient delivery systems for healthy foods. Pasta should not be eaten alone but with partners such as vegetables, fish, olive oil, tomato sauce, legumes and lean cuts of poultry and meat. Pasta meals provide a wide variety of essential nutrients such as fiber, protein and vitamins

Pasta does not promote weight gain when eaten in the proper portions and healthy combinations

Pasta meals are also central to the Mediterranean diet, which is characterized by an abundant variety of fruits, vegetables, breads, pasta, whole

grains, potatoes, beans, nuts and seeds, olive oil as the principal source of fat, and low to moderate consumption of fish, poultry and dairy products. The New England Journal of Medicine recently reported that the Mediterranean diet reduces the risk of death from heart disease and cancer

To learn more about the health benefits of pasta and find more healthy recipes, visit www.ilovepasta.org

Here's a pasta recipe that includes the appropriate proportion of carbohydrate, protein and fat to be considered a healthy pasta meal

PENNE WITH CHICKEN AND BROCCOLI

- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 4 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
- 1/2 large onion, chopped
- 8 cups raw broccoli florets
- 1 pound skinless chicken breast, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 16 ounces penne
- 2 tablespoons Romano cheese, grated

black pepper to taste
1/2 teaspoon salt

Bring a large pot of water to a rolling boil over high heat

In the meantime, take medium size saucepan and heat olive oil over medium heat. Sauté garlic and onions until translucent, careful not to brown. Add chicken pieces and thoroughly cook. When chicken is cooked, remove from heat and set aside

In the large boiling pot, add broccoli and cook until firm yet tender. Using a slotted spoon or skimmer, remove broccoli and add to the saucepan with garlic, onion and chicken. Cook broccoli until it is completely broken down yet still green

Return the large pot of salted water to a boil and add penne - cook according to package directions. When pasta's ready, reserve one cup of pasta water and add to broccoli mixture. Drain penne and toss into the broccoli mixture. Add grated cheese and mix. Serve immediately on individual dishes and top with fresh ground pepper to taste. Approximately two cups per serving. Makes eight servings



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Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

Uniformly enforce sign prohibition

Some of the residents in our condominium want to put up political signs and there is a prohibition on signs except for "for sale" signs. Can we make an exception for them during this political season?

Unless the board of directors has the authority to approve certain types of signs, you should not vary from the restrictions that prohibit signs except for for sale signs. If you allow one political sign, you are going to have to allow all political signs and you may be setting a precedent by allowing any political signs. You are best advised to review your documents with your association attorney and if there is a strict prohibition on political signs, then you should strictly and uniformly enforce it.

We have an unusual problem in our clubhouse in that we rented it to one of our co-owners who we understand is planning on showing adult movies. We are concerned about the precedent being established. What do you suggest we do?

You have to look at your condominium documents or rules and regulations to determine whether or not there are any prohibitions on that type of activity and determine whether you think it is immoral or offensive. That is a difficult issue to decide and you may not have the right to enforce that against the co-owners. You should, obviously, establish rules and regulations concerning who can attend the clubhouse during this event to the extent possible and consider passing rules and regulations in the future concerning what the clubhouse can be used for in connection with its rental to or usage by residents.

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Getting a third opinion saved sale, ash trees

BY NORMAN PRADY
CORRESPONDENT

As the old saying might go today, 'Don't count your emerald ash borers before they're hatched.'

Fact is, you see, you might not have any. And not having them could be a factor in the sale of a house. Just ask John Bond.

Bond is a sales agent with Max Brook Realtors, Birmingham. He had a listing on a house for sale in Troy. A nice house, he said. A 1970s house of about 2,400 square feet perched on a nicely wooded one-acre lot. His own house, actually, where he and his wife had lived for a couple of years.

But back to all those trees. 'Are those ash trees?' a potential buyer asked Bond.

'Uh,' Bond said he told the looker. 'I don't really know.'

If they were ash trees, Bond said he thought at the time, he might lose the sale. He knew the customer was interested in the house. What to do? Were these trees infested with *agrilus planipennis*, the little critter, just slightly wider than a ball-point pen, that's been destroying ash trees throughout southeastern lower Michigan?

'Yep,' a tree expert told Bond. 'Ash borers. Got to cut them all down.'

'Yep,' another tree expert told Bond. 'Ash borers. Got to cut them all down.'

Nope," tree expert Terence Riess said. The marks you see on your trees are gouges made by the climbing spikes used by the tree trimmers you had here last year.

No *agrilus planipennis* gouges. But Bond, who no longer wanted to be home at this home, still wasn't home free. He was an eager home seller and he had an eager home buyer at hand.

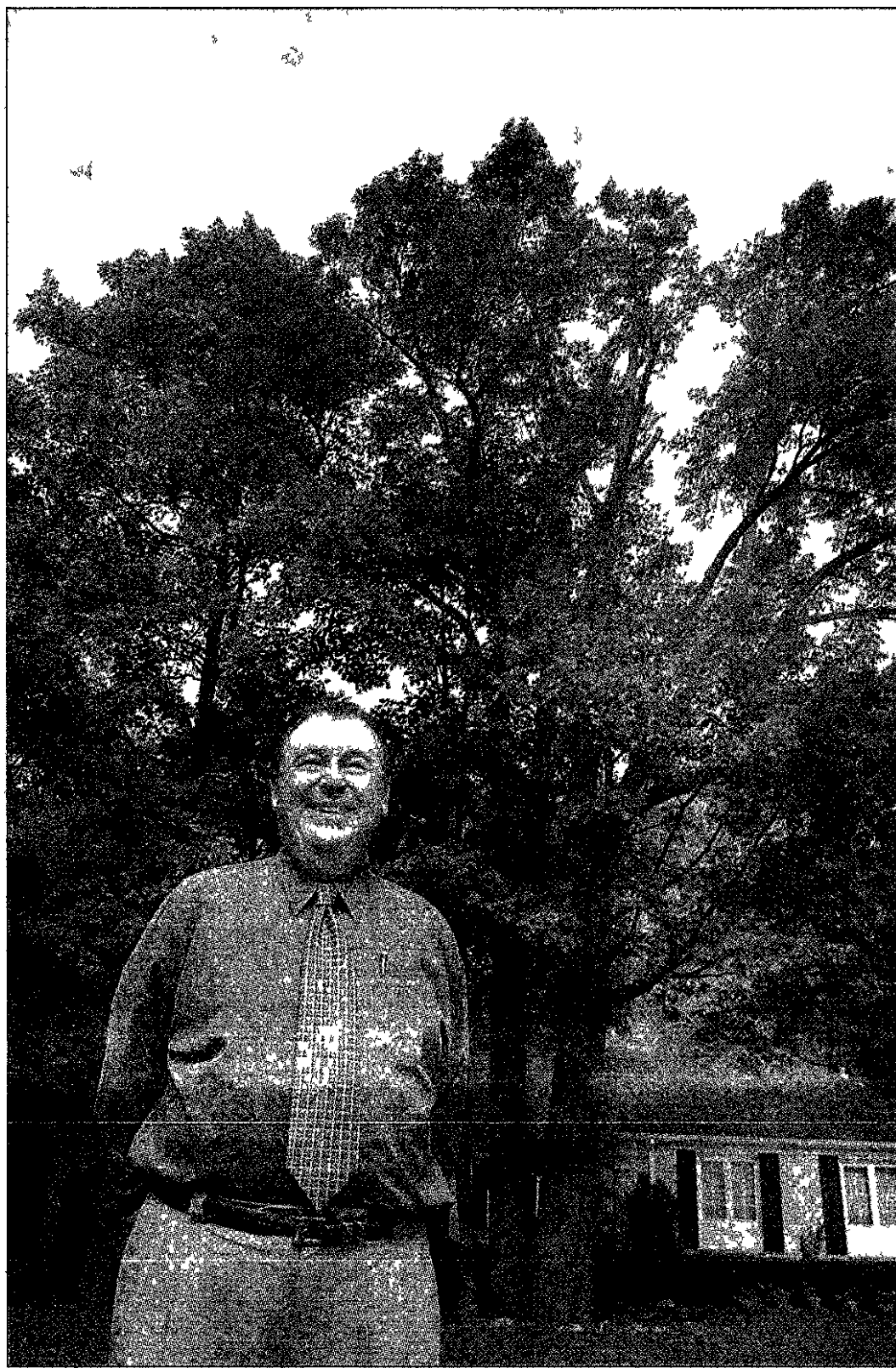
Sale and purchase of this \$450,000 house literally hung on the branches of the 13 ash trees scattered about the property. Some of the trees, Bond said, were estimated at 75 years, seedlings when the stock market crashed in 1929.

Riess, who operates Innovative Tree Care with offices in Shelby Township and Troy, climbed Bond's ash trees, using ropes instead of spikes, and reported that his inspection with magnifying glass told him they were not infested.

One of the smaller trees, he said, had some other health problem that could possibly make it susceptible to an invasion of the wood snatchers. It ought to come down, he told Bond.

Riess then treated the healthy trees with approved therapeutic chemicals, a process the new homeowner will have to follow annually. Cost, he said, is about \$100 per tree, which compares favorably to his cost to remove trees — from \$150 to \$10,000 each, depending on a tree's location on the property and any impediments, such as terrain features or power lines.

Lesson learned, Bond said, is to find out the truth about the condition of your ash trees before you reach for the saw. But doing nothing, he said, could even be worse



John Bond's persistence saved these emerald ash-trees, some 75 years old, on the property of his former home in Troy.

Learn more about the emerald ash borer

"The emerald ash borer was discovered in Michigan in May 2002," according to the Michigan State University Extension Service Web site. "It probably was introduced into the state at least five years previously from Asia, its native origin. The insect kills ash trees by destroying the trees' water- and nutrient-conducting vessels."

In their native country, Terence Riess of Innovative Tree Care said, the bugs have natural predators that keep them in check, but none here. He said woodpeckers are attracted to the insects, but by the time you see woodpeckers

on your ash trees, it's too late. If the spread of ash borers continues, Riess said, it could go as far west as the Mississippi River with the potential of destroying an estimated 50 billion ash trees in the eastern U.S.

Trees affected, Riess said, include the white, black and green ash. The mountain ash, a decorative tree with clusters of red berries in autumn, is a different species and not susceptible to this problem, he said.

More information and aid in identifying ash trees can be found at

■ www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/eab — The United States

Forest Service offers an image gallery showing the insect and its work, both in various stages, and information about treatments.

■ www.michigan.gov/mda — The Michigan Department of Agriculture offers extensive information about the problem.

■ www.msue.msu.edu/reg — Michigan State University Extension Service offers background information and up-to-date reports on developments in the fight. It was at MSU that the critter, new to this country, got its American name, emerald ash borer, given by Dr. Deb McCullough and Dr. David L. Roberts.

Mortgage Bits

Timothy Phillips



'Hard-money' lenders invest in 'risky business'

Sources for mortgage money become scarce with damaged credit and scores at or below 500 points. Traditional lenders have no interest in such "risky business," and even a rich uncle may decide not to return phone calls. Well, believe it or not, there is a small group of lenders who will ignore severe credit problems and financial ailments—and they actually want to return calls.

These unconventional mortgage lenders are called "hard-money" lenders. (And it's not because they collect payments with baseball bats.) These lenders loan money that is invested by people — like a rich uncle — who choose to use these specialized mortgages as investment vehicles.

Hard money mortgage companies are often willing to bail people out based on the strength of their property, not based on their strength as borrowers — or lack thereof. They handle all aspects of the mortgage transaction, and they do so in strict compliance with governing statutes.

Hard money lenders become increasingly valuable to borrowers with more dire situations. They can often even save homeowners who are at the tail end of a foreclosure process.

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"Bailouts are not cheap," says Trent Dalrymple, vice president of private lending at Northwestern Financial Corporation in Livonia. "Our private investors who make this money available usually command a high rate of return resulting in mortgage interest rates ranging from 12 to 17 percent for a short-term loan. After borrowers pick themselves up off the floor, they quickly come to realize that it's a small price to pay to save their homes and their equity."

Since home equity is a hard-money lender's only security, borrowers normally need at least 35 percent equity in their homes to be candidates. For example, for a home valued at \$100,000, most will loan no more than \$65,000.

Hard money mortgage solutions are short-term remedies used strictly for emergency situations. Hopefully, you will never need hard money, but isn't it nice to know that you do, in fact, have a "rich uncle" that may help you from becoming homeless?

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Hurricanes throw Florida housing market into turmoil

BY VICKIE CHACHERE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Riding out the ferocious winds of Hurricane Charley in their ranch house, the Tanay family made a decision they were moving.

The Tanays had come to Florida from New Jersey seeking a small-town atmosphere for their four children, but were becoming disillusioned with the hustle and bustle of their rapidly growing community. When Charley blew through town on Aug. 13 and left the area in shambles, that was all they needed to begin looking elsewhere.

'The hurricane definitely pushed us to make our decision sooner,' said Joe Tanay, a home construction

project manager. In the aftermath of the state's four devastating hurricanes this year, Florida homeowners and real estate agents are nervously watching how the storms will affect the state's red-hot housing market.

After Hurricane Andrew slammed into south Miami-Dade County in August 1992, about 75,000 residents in Homestead moved out. While the conditions this year are somewhat different, some real estate experts expect there will be homeowners who will eventually make their evacuations permanent.

Whatever affect this year's storms might have, it will be short lived, most experts predict. Despite the exodus from Homestead,

new residents have flocked back to area, attracted by affordable homes built to higher safety standards and other amenities in the rebuilt community.

This year's storms have already caused a slowdown in building, delayed closings and complicated the process of obtaining homeowners insurance. But the long-term effects of Charley, Frances, Ivan and Jeanne are less than certain.

Most don't expect the storms to permanently affect the value of Florida real estate, which is among the most rapidly appreciating in the United States.

Because property transactions typically take weeks or months to complete, it's impossible to statistically track which way the trend is going.

A step-by-step guide to finding a Realtor

Here are some tips for finding a Realtor from the National Association of Realtors:

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- Get recommendations from past sellers.
- Look for Realtor signs in your community.
- Ask these questions:
 - What services do you offer?
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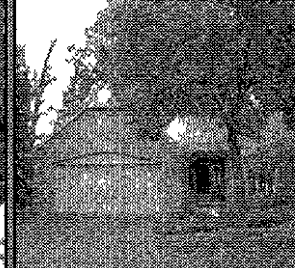



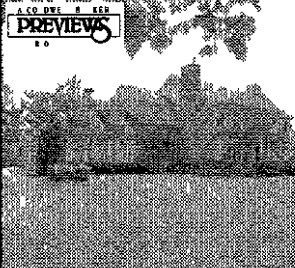


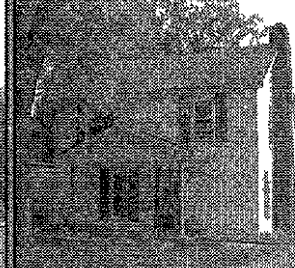
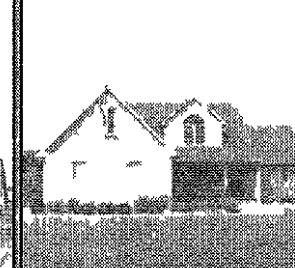











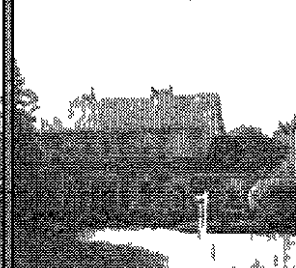
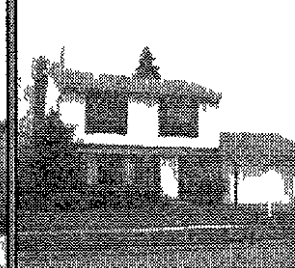
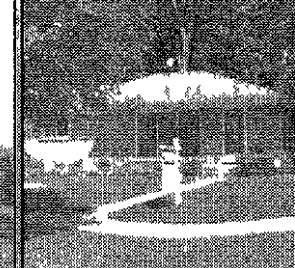













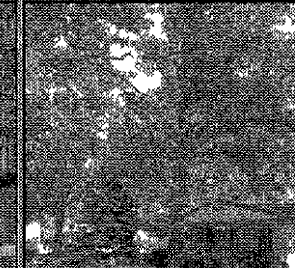

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Adorable 3 bdrm ranch Some hardwood floors All appliances stay Many up dates including roof win dows furnace bath kt chen & more Near school s x ways \$139,899 (CO227RF)
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GORGEOUS 6000 sq ft
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3 bdrm 2.5 bath w/replace w/updates thru-out Large family room w/natural fireplace Large eat in kitchen All appliances included Located on quiet street \$229,900
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James 1800 sq ft Colonial 3 bdrm 2.5 bath Den large kitchen deck 3 car attach garage \$249,900
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Double door entry Open great room w/fireplace Kitchen w/walk in pantry Master ste w/tub & seper ate shower Generous room sizes Full bsmt Garage \$329,900 (BA374)
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Mid century modernism home w/open plan beautiful maple kitchen w/granite double ovens & Jenn air cooktop wood/ceramic floors Nearly an acre \$424,900 #2407738
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MERRIMAN & 6 MILE AREA
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Livonia 3250

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CONTEMPORARY
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DIRECT CARE STAFF. \$7 70 \$8 20 wages/benefits Call and leave message at 313 255 6295

DIRECT CAREGIVERS. to provide loving care in group home and apartment settings In Northville Farmington Hills and Livonia All shifts available \$7 30 \$8 00 to start Call Cynthia 248 980 3305

DISPLAY WORK. Apply today/start tomorrow! Full help needed seeking 39 team members Must be neat ambitious have transportation no exp needed \$400/wkly to start for interview Call 248 587 5079

DRIVER. Environmental management company is seeking CDL Class B Drivers with excellent driving records for chemical waste handling positions Will train in environmental field activities Offering comprehensive salary and benefits package Applications may be obtained at SOS Inc 7522 Baron Drive Canton MI 48187 EOE

STOP & LOOK. HSD leading Floral Distributor has immediate positions available for florist associates in Sam's Club 495 Summit Dr Waterford MI Position includes customer service and includes physical labor Candidates need to be self motivated enthusiastic sales oriented and have good communication skills Floral design exp preferred Florists may call 800 880 5393 ext 1176 and leave a detailed voice mail message to be contacted for interview EOE M/F/V/D

GENERAL HELP. Part time for medium size Westland apt community Must be a hard worker & willing to perform a variety of tasks Knowledge of ceramic tile a must (734) 722 4700

GENERAL LABOR. Seeking an organized aggressive and self motivated individual for a clerical position in a Distribution and Logistics company Position entails answer ng phones data entry and some customer service Starting pay \$8/hr with health benefits after 90 days Person needs to be flexible with scheduling Please apply in person at 31750 Enterprise Dr Livonia MI 48151 (off Plymouth between Farmington and Merriman)

GENERAL MAINTENANCE & REPAIR. Full time position Must have knowledge of state & local requirements for banquet hall operations houseman duties required Send resume to PO Box 510224 Livonia MI 48151 6224

GUTTER HELPER. For busy construction company 1 yr experience must be dependable 313 937 2016 or fax resume to 313 937 2278

HAIR CUTTER. rent space or percentage Farmington area (810) 750 0327

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MANAGEMENT. Positions available for Managers for retail store chain Starting Salary \$24k \$30k yr Salary commensurate with experience Seeking career minded highly organized individuals with leadership abilities good communication skills and the ability to motivate Salary + Benefits Will train right individuals Fax resumes to Heslop, Inc 22790 Heslop Dr Novi, MI 48375 ATTN M Nuenke Fax: (248) 344-4342

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MECHANIC. Prototype Co looking for entry level to experienced Send resume to Argus 12540 Beach Daly Redford MI 48239 or fax 313 937 7932

MEDICAL ASSISTANT. Contingent position Internal medicine office Fax resume to (248) 646 8176

MORTGAGE LOAN OFFICER. Mortgage Associates of Birmingham is seeking experienced loan officers (2+ yrs) Full or part time positions Competitive compensation plan and excellent processing support EOE Fax resume to (248) 644 6232 or email to off ce@maibc.com

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PART-TIME TELLER. New Liberty Bank a community bank in Plymouth is looking for part time tellers Submit resumes to HR Dept 245 N Main Plymouth MI 48170 No phone calls Fax 734 455 1396 or email to fouthcn@newlibertybank.com

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PERSONAL DRIVER. Mature chauffeur's license Good driving record Must be available on call Able to work some odd hours and some weekends includes business courier service Prefer retired w/professional demeanor and military background Call 313 292 5500 between 9am 4pm Mon Fri

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PLUMBING. Miracle Man Plumbing a Pete Wood Company and a growing leader in the industry seeks an experience Service Plumber to join our team We are proud to offer our employees a fantastic compensation package If you are a quality driven professional we want to talk to you about the opportunities that await you Interview with us today it may change your life tomorrow Call (248) 888 7777 to schedule your interview EOE

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RETAIL MANAGER. High volume retailer looking for a person with a minimum of 10 year retail management exp to handle clothing dept Please call (248) 473 4542 or email resume & salary requirements to ulrl@aol.com

RETIRED PERSON. Reliable self motivated person to do warranty servicing of manufactured homes Must have good driving record and have own tools Background in plumbing electrical and carpentry a plus Full time Fax resume Attn Julie (248) 374 0945

ROOFERS. Must have own transportation Sub contractors Experienced shinglers only Call 734 718 2369

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Help Wanted-General 6000

TELEPHONE INTERVIEWER
Farmington Hills law office
Excellent phone skills
(248) 865 0860

TELLER
Cashland is seeking a full time teller for our Ypsilanti location Candidate must possess excellent customer service skills money handling capabilities depend able flexible and able to work evenings & weekends Position starts at \$8.50/hr with possible increase after 90 days We offer an excellent work environment hands on training health & dental insurance Fax resume (734) 721 9806 or stop in and pick up an application at 2221 S Wayne Rd Westland

Help Wanted-Office 6020

COLLECTOR w/skiptracing exp
For busy West Bloomfield law office Experienced only Full time
Ask for Sarah
248 855-7977

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
Full time for Livonia medical equipment co Peach tree experience preferred but not necessary will train Fax resume to Attn Karen 734 522 9380

Help Wanted-Office 6020

CLERK
Busy sales office in Western Wayne County seeks full time enthusiastic individual to assist with various clerical duties in support of daily business activities Qualified applicant should possess organizational inter personal & team work skills Knowledge of Microsoft office Publisher data entry & computer data base exp helpful Company offers pay commensurate with exp & a comprehensive benefit package 401K Please send resume along with education work exp ref & wage req to
Attn HR
CGL Corporation
PO Box 2970
Livonia MI 48151

Help Wanted-Office 6020

RECEPTIONIST Part Time
Mon Fri 12.5 Farmington Hills co Must be highly organized & able to multi task Exc communication skills on phone & in person Working exp on computer word processing accurate typing & spelling essential
titlecorp@realcomp.com Fax (248) 699 0123

Help Wanted-Dental 6040

DENTAL ASSISTANT
West Dearborn office searching for an experienced & caring dental assistant to join our practice Must have superior dental & people skills Please fax resume to
(313) 563 1384

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CUSTOMER CARE REPRESENTATIVE
Mitchell Home Medical has a great immediate full time opportunity for the right person! We are seeking an outgoing individual for a fast paced home medical equipment order intake from our referral sources and patients by phone in our Ypsilanti office and/or periodically at our satellite locations Experience with insurance verifications HCPC & ICD 9 codes and computers all a must! Great social and communication skills required! Benefits including 401K Fax resume Attn Maureen @ 734 572 0281

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TITLE CLOSERS
needed for busy title agency Must be exp d in purchases & refinances Fax resume to
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ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLERK
Virginia Tile Co in Farmington Hills has a full time open A/P Clerk position Must have a minimum 5 yrs exp with high volume production & exc data entry skills Benefits profit sharing & 401K Call HR Mgr 248-476 7850 x2264 or fax resume to 248 476 3828

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SECRETARY
Must have computer expertise in Excel Database systems Microsoft Word Ability to organize busy executive must have high energy level to work in fast paced environment BA degree a plus Send resume to P O Box 347 Bloomfield Hills MI 48303

DENTAL ASSISTANT
Energetic outgoing person with exceptional people skills Background in assisting a plus Flexible hrs Fax resume to 248 626 3901

MARKETING DIRECTOR
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Attn Scott Cowie
39000 Plymouth Rd
Livonia MI 48150

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VALET MANAGER
Private club seek valet manager Must have previous management exp Must be computer literate and be available anytime Resume/salary history only pgraen@parking.com or Fax 313 963 4469

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Must have computer expertise in Excel Database systems Microsoft Word Ability to organize busy executive must have high energy level to work in fast paced environment BA degree a plus Send resume to P O Box 347 Bloomfield Hills MI 48303

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST
For family practice office Must be exp & PT Fax resume 248 477 8730

MEDICAL ASSISTANT/RECEPTIONIST
Part time Minimum 1 year exp Must be professional Call (313) 730 1591 or Fax resume (313) 730 1634

ASSISTANT MANAGERS/ ZOUJI NORTHVILLE
Immediate openings High volume quick casual restaurant exp required call 248 434 4123 ext 5 or fax resume to 248 399 4700

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVES
CPS has openings in the Detroit Metro Area We are seeking enthusiastic people to fulfill every aspect of the sales process Individual must be able to prospect new customers maintain relations and be able to close the deal Please contact Brett Trivane 1 888 571 0299 ext 110 or email btrivane@cspprocessing.com

STYLIST & NAIL TECH
Farmington Salon & spa Come join our friendly staff & wonderful work environment Flexible hours & great pay Preferred candidate Please call Amanda at 248 703 7697

WAREHOUSE DISPATCHER
Local delivery has opening for a Warehouse Dispatch position Position is responsible for receiving orders prep work accuracy routing & dispatch Excellent organ zational & computer skills a plus Please fax resume to 734 946 0438 or mail to Diakon Logistics 28437 Highland Rd Romulus MI 48174

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Highly organized dependable for Christian work in Canton Computer exp \$10 \$12 Resume Gmnl4@yahoo.com

CUSTOMER SERVICE
Livonia based alarm co seek ing rep for data entry/customer service position Heavy data entry Fast paced call center environment Strong attention to detail & basic computer skills required Leave voice mail message at 800 468 4640 ext 2401

ENGINEERING MANAGER
Manager with Supervisory and Engineering experience needed to manage technical center mechanical and electrical engineers for the purpose of manufacturing a line of dispensing systems that apply adhesive and sealant materials in a wide range of industrial markets This highly motivated result oriented self starter must have a graduate degree and at least 4 years supervising workers in an engineering and manufacturing environment This position will use AutoCAD MS Office and project management skills to produce efficient engineering excellence EOE Send resume administration@sealantequipment.com Sealant Equipment & Engineering Inc P O Box 701480 Plymouth MI 48170 Phone 734 459 8600 Fax 734 459 8686

DENTAL STAFF
Busy Garden city dental practice seeking part time front desk and/or full time hygiene coordinator Dental experience required Fax resume to M R Reich DDS @ 734 522 4043 email mreicchdds@hotmail.com

FRONT DESK PERSON
for orthodontic office Administrative clerical & scheduling duties Dental experience necessary Call 248 443-4079 Fax resumes 248 443-4467

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Baristas & Cashiers Apply in person Pier Paolo 33297 Grand River Farmington Hills

AUTO SALES
North Brothers Ford located in Westland MI is seeking New Car Sales People We are looking for
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• Must possess excellent work habits
• Customer oriented
• Team player
• We offer an aggressive pay plan
For a confidential interview please call Rick Huetter New Car Sales Mgr (734) 524 1207
NORTH BROTHERS FORD

SUPERVISOR
Specialized Pharmacy Services (SPS) of Livonia is seeking an individual to manage 15 pharmacy employees SPS is a leading provider of pharmacy services to over 30 000 residents in long term care facilities Candidates must have previous supervisory experience in either a retail or pharmacy setting This position will be responsible for daily product on operations of either the day or even night shifts and will rotate weekends Previous pharmacy experience is preferred We offer a competitive salary and comprehensive benefit package For immediate consideration please forward your resume and salary requirements to Human Resources Supervisor SPS Inc HR Dept P O Box 3347 Livonia MI 48151 e-mail jobs_sps@omnicare.com or by fax resume to (734) 513 9418 attention Supervisor No phone calls please EOE

WATER PROOFER
experience with truck or van interior & exterior \$400-\$750 per week (313) 595 7946

ADMINISTRATIVE CLERK
Seeking team player to join our busy office Position provides administrative support to various internal departments Also includes order entry customer service and switchboard backup 1 year administrative experience requested and computer proficiency is necessary Fax resume with salary requirements to 734 462 0467 or mail to
Domino's Pizza Equipment & Supply Attention Marilyn 39000 Plymouth Road Livonia MI 48150 EOE

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DEARborn HEIGHTS GENERAL DENTAL
Are you looking for a position where you can use all your skills in a fun energetic environment? We are looking for a full time Experienced Dental Assistant to join our dental team If this is the position you are looking for please call 248 399 3548 and leave a message

MARKETING COORDINATOR
Progressive orthodontic office looking for a dynamic individual to establish and grow relationships with our referral sources Dental knowledge not necessary Attitude more important than experience

HOSPITAL CONSOLIDATED LABORATORIES
MT/MLT Chemistry NW 23775 Northwestern Hwy Southfield MI 48075 Fax 248 226 2075 or email to HCLResumes@ProvidenceHospital.org Subject: MT/MLT Chemistry Afternoon NW

COOK, Full-Time
Watsonwood at Carnegie Park a senior apartment community is in need of a full time cook Candidates must be able to work flexible hours including evenings & weekends Prefer previous cooking experience EOE Apply in person at 2000 Canton Center Road Canton MI 48187 or call 734 344 3066 for more information

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Home Shows has it all Call for details 248 349 6225

SYSTEM MODULAR FURNITURE INSTALLER NEEDED
Quality driven office installation co looking for self motivated team work oriented individuals Knowledge of multiple systems & systems furniture reconfiguration required Warehouse exp a plus Excellent benefits profit sharing 401K Bonus program & room for advancement Send resume to resume@morsemoving.com or fax to 734 485 8748 or call 734 480 4178 to schedule interview/appt

YARDPERSON
Livonia lumber yard looking for reliable help to prepare orders load trucks help customers Afternoons teamsters benefits \$10.14 Apply in person 11940 Macmillan Rd South of I 96

CLERICAL
Full time position excellent typing computer knowledge data entry filing pleasant phone manners essential Inventory exp is a plus Please fax resume 734 946 0438 or mail to Diakon Logistics 28437 Highland Rd Romulus MI 48174

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/ LEGAL SECRETARY
Senior position available for a candidate with strong skills and organizational ability Must be self starter with experience in handling multiple tasks Executive secretarial exp required some legal secretarial preferred Excellent benefits Salary commensurate with position and experience Replies accepted in confidence Box 1002 Observer & Eccentric 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia MI 48150

C&B TECH
All phases Min 2 yrs exp 100% medical & paid vacation \$12.28 hrly based on ability great working environment Fax resume 248 446-9371 Call 248 446 9370

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Are you looking for a position where you can use all your skills in a fun energetic environment? We are looking for a full time Experienced Dental Assistant to join our dental team If this is the position you are looking for please call 248 399 3548 and leave a message

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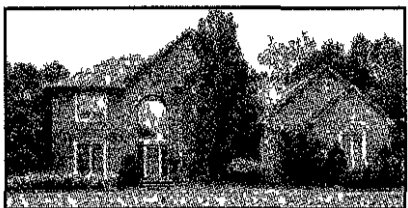
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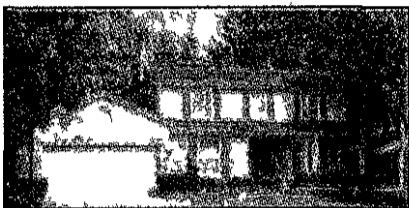
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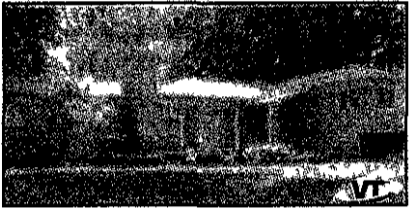
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MOVE IN CONDITION IN THE HEART OF NORTHVILLE Many updates incld roof windows A/C fin bsmt interior doors hwdw frs crpt sprinklr sys lawn main & snow removal Prime location (23A1205)

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CANTON **\$257,000**
THIS CANTON HOME IS A 10+++! Over \$50 000 n recent updates Granite kit stainless steel appls new paint carpet 6 panel doors prof landscaping Newer a/c furnace w ndows & roof Home Warr 349 6200 (24125279)

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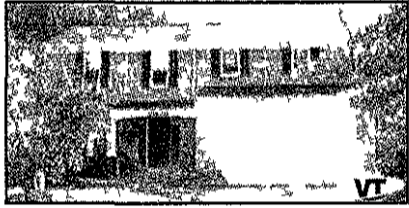
NOVI **\$249,900**
LIKE NEW 2002 year built end unit ranch style condo 2 BPs 2 BAs 2 car gar & great Novl location Upgrades thru out cath ceilings jetted tubs FP hwdw frs & great view! (24127660)

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CANTON **\$236,900**
MOVE IN & MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME Completely updated 4 BRs 2 1/2 baths Pergo floors custom kitchen cabinets family room boasts a IG wet bar & natural fireplace Large deck and landscaped yard (F443)

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CANTON **\$224,900**
4 BR, 2 5 BATH COLONIAL Amazing value! Over 2300 square feet 4 BRs 2 1/2 baths huge master suite large bedrooms www.localgem.com for pictures or call 877 934 6683 ID 706 (24104297)

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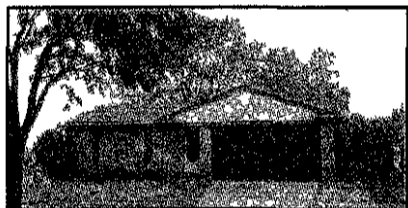
PLYMOUTH **\$210,900**
FABULOUS BARBERRY UNIT! 2 story ce ng makes this LR inviting FR w/adj powde rm Can be bit as 3rd bdrm Avail upgrades Ext landscpnng sprnklr sys lawn main & snow removal Prime location (23A1205)

734-455 7000



PLYMOUTH **\$184,900**
THE ARBOR has an open flr plan Fr lower level rec rm next to laundry & powder rm Townhome community will feature Indosping sprnklr sys lawn main/snow removal Low association fees (23A1205)

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PLYMOUTH **\$175,000**
GREAT POTENTIAL! 3 BR RANCH Bring your ideas 3 BR 1 5 bath ranch w/full bsmt & 2 car att gar New furnace hwdw frs FR w/natural FP Arbor Village sub w/sidewalks 349 6200 (24125531)

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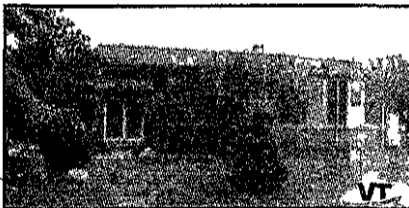
WESTLAND **\$172,500**
OUTSTANDING LOCATION Clean well kept condo New carpet on 1st floor oak kitchen cabinets all appliances included Finished basement Deck from doorwall Absolutely turnkey! 349 6200 (24103092)

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GARDEN CITY **\$156,900**
BEST BUY IN GARDEN CITY! In great area!1350 sq ft 2 5 baths fin bsmt 2 5 car garage Huge mstr bdrm w/bath expanded kit/ gathering room new carpet & paint (23M32750)

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NOVI **\$150,000**
DETACHED RANCH CONDO Great 2 BR carriage w/1 car direct access gar New windows neutral decor ceiling fans Open floor plan *6 MONTHS FREE ASSOC FEE* Move right in! 349 6200 (24118495)

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DEARBORN **\$149,900**
FABULOUS UPDTD BRICK BUNGALOW Gorgeous top of the line kit 2 beautiful new bdrms Hwdw frs thru out newer window copper plumbing w/tankless hot wtr heater new exterior & storm doors appl incld 349 6200 (24103105)

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WESTLAND **\$147,500**
CLEAN AND NEUTRAL Move in and relax It's all been done for you 3 bdrms 1 5 baths new A/C & furnace Maintenance free exterior lg garage See to believe (23A30591)

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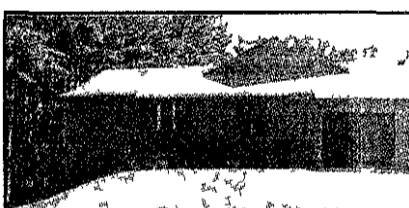
GARDEN CITY **\$146,000**
LOTS OF UPDATES This 3 BR ranch has just what you're looking for Updated kitchen with ceramic floor newer carpet newer furnace and new wncows (A270)

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WESTLAND **\$139,900**
1 400 SQUARE FOOT RANCH 4 bedrooms 2 full baths living room family room 100x140 lot Great in law quarters (H137)

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SOUTH LYON **\$138,000**
PRIME LOCATION! W/O UNIT & LAKE ACCESS Privacy & beauty in end unit w/Florida rm fam rm fireplace direct garage access 2 BRs 2 BAs & appls Overlooks trees n 55+ co op Includes beach and clubhouse 349 6200 (24124573)

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ROMULUS **\$128,900**
SPACIOUS 3 BEDROOM RANCH WITH 2 5 GARAGE Hardwood floors family room off the kitchen adds to the charm of this home Recent updates front sidewalks & basement 349 6200 (24048353)

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REDFORD **\$125,000**
LARGE BRICK BUNGALOW Large brick 3 bedroom bungalow Very clean & freshly painted Fireplace in living room eat in kitchen & separate dining room All appliances & home warranty too! (24129435)

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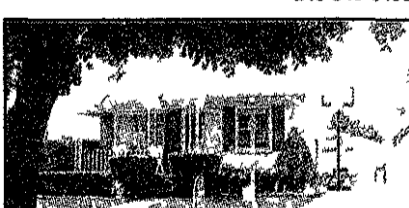
WAYNE **\$122,500**
BETTER THAN NEW Almost everything new New roof shingles vinyl siding windows kitchen cabinets counters ceramic tile bath furnace duct work and more Hurry (G394)

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TAYLOR **\$117,900**
MOTIVATED SELLER! Just move right into this stunning 3 BR brick ranch located in Taylor You will be surprised at this beautiful home (H272)

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LINCOLN PARK **\$113,900**
UPDATED 3 BR COLONIAL W/LOTS OF UPDATES Newly remodeled eat in kit 1 esh y painted fin bsmt w/berber carpet Nice se ze o most appls stay near schools A must see! 349 6200 (24096942)

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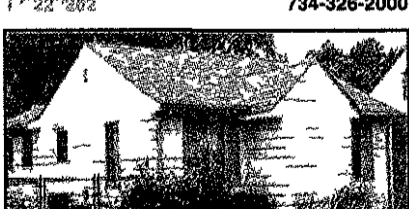
LINCOLN PARK **\$102,000**
PRIME LOCATION Close to park Large corner lot w/many updates Brand new kit new carpet thru out fresh paint vinyl windows & copper plumbing finish off this spotless home (24127607)

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REDFORD **\$95,900**
CUTE CLEAN & UPDATED Features well used space in open flr plan New wncws & newer rf 2 BRs 2 car gar fresh paint frg eat in kit & nice lot w/pr vacy fence & more (24123999)

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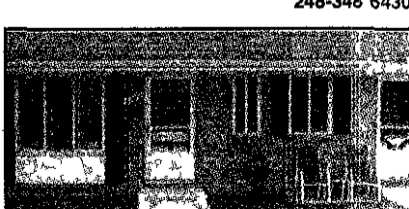
WESTLAND **\$92,000**
EXCELLENT LOCATION! Open floor plan Originally a 3 BR & can easily be converted back New oak kitchen new copper plumbing new H2O furnace A/C 5 yrs (K564)

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INKSTER **\$89,900**
AMAZING BUY is this brick ranch with full finished basement & garage Remodeled kitchen with oak cabinets Hardwood floors remodeled bath (B110)

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WESTLAND **\$75,900**
ABSOLUTELY METICULOUS Loft condo totally updated bath berber carpet new windows hardwood floors laundry & tons of storage (H814)

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A GREAT VALUE! Great location 3 bdrm brick ranch situated on a large park like lot Many updates Walk to downtown Farmington 349 6200 24043329 \$172 900 248 348 6430

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DEARBORN HEIGHTS
WELL CARED FOR HOME Updates incld kt siding HWH wndws rf Home features fn bsmt security sys patio pool prcy fence & lg lot All appliances included a must see! 24061674 \$109 900 734 591 9200



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The New 2005 Mazda 6

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BY DALE BUSS

Over the last few years, Mazda has managed to make the "Zoom, zoom, zoom!" slogan of its advertising stick in America's popular imagination. More than that, the tag line and Mazda's energetic TV commercials depicting its cars zipping all over the place have helped to create an expectation that Mazda vehicles are going to be runabouts. At least that's what I expected when I got into the sleek-looking 2005 Mazda 6 that I drove recently. And I wasn't disappointed: the 6 might be the most fun "ordinary" sedan that I can recall driving in a long while. It's stylish and "young" looking to this baby boomer, is sumptuous enough on the inside, and offers performance and handling that give the driver confidence - as well as the fun. Moreover, at manufacturer's suggested retail prices ranging from the high teens to the mid-twenties, Mazda 6 offers all of this at a very accessible price. Actually, overall, the 6 reminds me of my first impressions of the Honda Accord when they emerged on the American market in a big way in the early Eighties. They were sleek, they were crisp, and their responsive power plant made them a far sight better than any American-made competitor in the segment. All of that made Accord bring a smile to my face. Ever since its trailblazing rotary engine of a generation ago, Mazda's heritage also largely has been about powertrains. The 6 is a descendant of the vehicle that really put Mazda on the map in the American market for something else: the 626, a clean, crisply styled sedan that debuted in the United States in 1979 and was redesigned in 1983. Mazda redesigned 626 every five years until the 6 - bearing a new name, including new engines and boasting a sleek new design, as well as an attention-getting advertising campaign - debuted in 2003. The 6 is available as a sedan, wagon or four-door hatchback. The sedan I drove presented a pleasing, wedge-shaped design that is common to all models



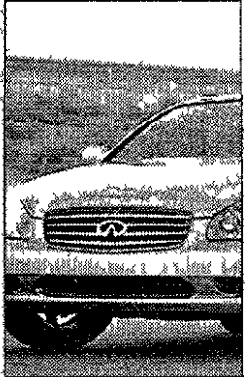
The Mazda 6 is built at The Ford Motor Co. - Mazda joint-venture plant in Flat Rock, Michigan.

I also liked the flattened triangular shape of the 6's grille, a sleek alternative to the in-your-face latticework on so many new models such as the Chrysler 300 series. The version I drove also sported 17-inch alloy wheels, sport-type front and rear bumpers, boss-looking oval exhaust outlets and a rear spoiler. But by far, my favorite aspect of the 6 is the engine and transmission in the manual-shift sport version that I drove. It was powered by a potent 220-horsepower, 3.0-liter V6 engine, an advanced, all-aluminum, 24-valve design that utilizes variable valve timing to maximize low-end torque. Mileage is in the low 20s for highway driving. The five-speed manual gearbox has what Mazda calls a "double-cone synchronizer" for "direct, quick shifts." Whatever All I noticed is that the 6 was a joy to drive, the power more than ample in every driving situation and the shifting silky smooth, even to the point where passengers barely objected to my driving! Ditto for the 6's sure-footed suspension, a double-wishbone design that is complemented by four-wheel disc brakes. On the recent rainy weekend when I drove the car (including some precious human cargo) all over, I retained utmost confidence in the 6's handling integrity in wet conditions and

in stop-and-go traffic. Inside its vehicles, Mazda has come a long way as well, and the 6 exemplified that. Audio and climate controls are easy to understand with several big knobs to make for easy tactile control without the driver's having to search the whole instrument panel visually just to turn up the temperature a notch. The black, leather interior of the version I drove was very comfortable, even luxurious, laid out in a clean and contemporary design, although the materials maybe weren't quite up to snuff with some competitors'. Some reviewers have complained about the 6's rear-seat space, but during several trips back there I was utterly comfortable. Perhaps rear-seat space might become an issue on a long trip. Trunk capacity was ample, and a 60/40 rear-split seat folds to expand the 17.6-cubic-foot trunk if necessary in the sedan. Mazda has come a long way, and 6 displays this advance perhaps better than any other vehicle. Plus it's built at the Ford Motor Co.-Mazda joint-venture plant in Flat Rock, Mich. All in all, there's good reason to put the 2005 Mazda 6 on your short list if you're purchasing or leasing a mid-size sedan.

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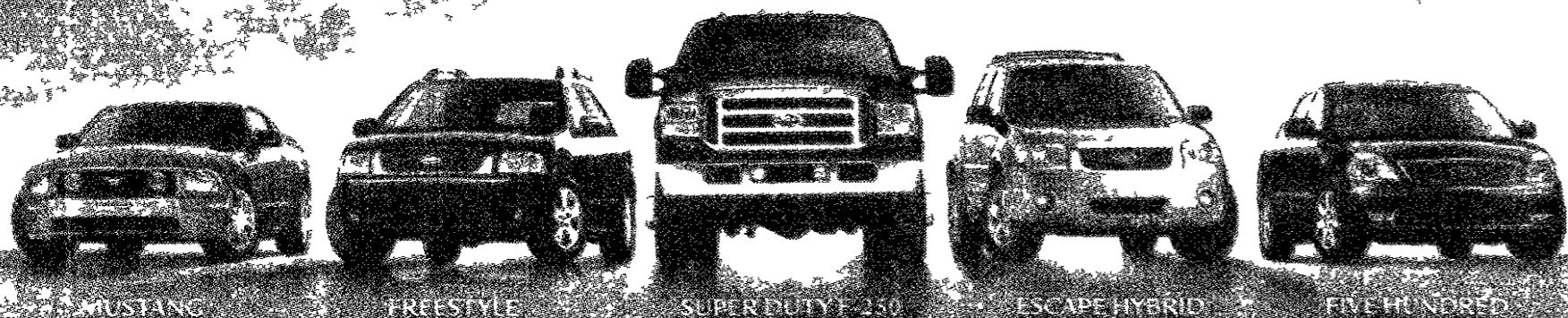
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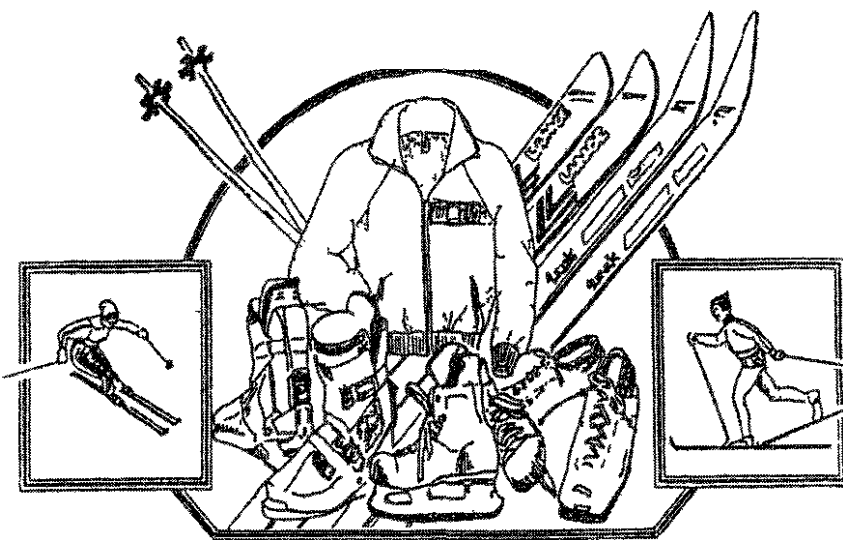
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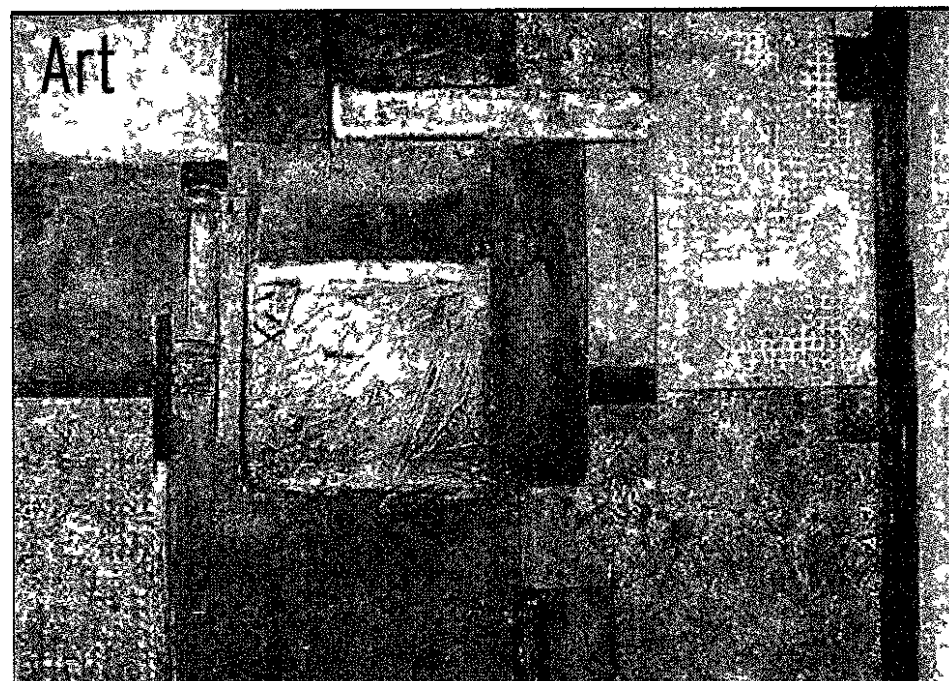
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The colors used in Joy Huyck's paintings are inspired by the colors of Tuscany

Inspired by texture, color, artist creates 'Italian Metaphors'

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Vivid bold colors will blur together if you drive fast, like the Italians do, while in northern Italy.

It helped shape an idea for established painter Joy Huyck.

She saw those colors while driving through Venice and Tuscany during visits to see her daughter who lived there. And she saw them from an aerial perspective when flying into Milan.

Inspired by color and texture, she created an exhibit called *Italian Metaphors* on display at Ariana Gallery in Royal Oak.

Blocks of burgundy merlot and yellowish green chardonnay grapes from the vineyards, rich yellow hay field, and thousands of metallic gold religious icons that are placed throughout the cities are all represented in Huyck's paintings.

"Seeing the colors whipping by while driving, the fields of colored swatches, the paintings actually are not as abstract as they are in reality," Huyck said.

Huyck used mesh, covered with layers of stain, to represent grapevines. Black blocks represent farm buildings and high rises.

Creating uniquely textured surfaces and layering washes of color with broad gestures, she captures the impressions of the aging facades of Milan and the colors of Tuscany.

"The influences of Tuscany are everywhere in Italy," Huyck said.

If you visit Ariana Gallery, ask to see Huyck's photo album to view the images that inspired her paintings.

"So many of the buildings are distressed there and have graffiti on them. There's layer upon layer of history and the layers of color in the paintings represent it."

Huyck of Royal Oak earned her master's degree in painting from Wayne State

ITALIAN METAPHORS

What: An exhibit of original paintings by Joy Huyck

When: Through Monday Nov 1

Where: Ariana Gallery 119 S Main St. Royal Oak, (248) 546 8810

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University. She's been a painter since 1962 and has had exhibits throughout the state, including The Hackley Museum in Muskegon, The Rackham Gallery in Ann Arbor, The Detroit Institute of Art Rental Gallery, Oakland University and others. She's been represented at Gallery 22 in Bloomfield, The Artist Co-op Gallery in Suttons Bay, Arterna Gallery in Birmingham and more.

She used stain in her 20-plus piece exhibit and created textures with sanders, scrapers and tools to crack and age the surfaces.

"I found unlimited subject matter down alleyways and narrow streets that were filled with treasures of ancient windows, doors, walls and other architectural forms," she said.

"My fascination with textures evolved from times spent on these architectural forms. Every urban environment holds textural beauty within its decay."

The names of the paintings are appropriate to her inspiration: *Tuscan Discovery*, *Tuscan Windows*, *Italian Vineyard*, *Italian Countryside*, *Milan Home* and *Italian Windows* among others.

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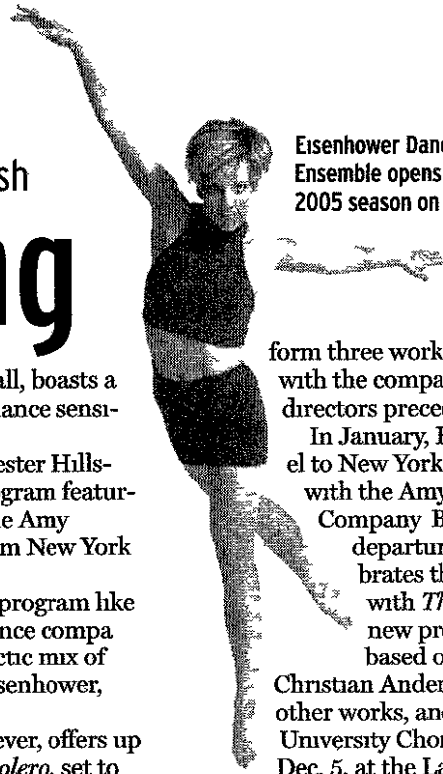
BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble knows how to mix it up. The professional contemporary dance company's new season, which opens with a performance Saturday at Oakland

MODERN MOTION

What Eisenhower Dance Ensemble opens its 2004-2005 season with *On the Move*, with visiting artist the Amy Marshall Dance Company from New York City. When 8 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30. Where Varner Recital Hall, Oakland University campus, Rochester Hills. Tickets: Adults \$15, seniors, \$12, students \$8. Call box office at (248) 370-3013. For information, call (248) 559-2095 or visit www.ede-dance.org

Eisenhower Dance Ensemble keeps it fresh



Eisenhower Dance Ensemble opens its 2004-2005 season on Saturday

University's Varner Recital Hall, boasts a diversity of music styles and dance sensibilities.

But first consider the Rochester Hills-based ensemble's opening program featuring a guest performance by the Amy Marshall Dance Company from New York City.

"What's nice about doing a program like this is you have two strong dance companies, and you have a nice eclectic mix of choreography," said Laurie Eisenhower, founder and artistic director.

EDE's program alone, however, offers up tremendous variety. There's *Bohemia*, set to the sensual yet weighty score by Ravel, followed by *Night Music*, a revived piece choreographed by Eisenhower to Mozart's *A Little Night Music*.

"It's a comedy with six dancers and a couch," Eisenhower said of the work, which she created last year.

The final piece, *Long Way Round*, is contemporary dance that was inspired by its score, Eisenhower said. "The music is by Robert Moran, and his work is very driving. The rhythm of it is very complex. It's interesting for the dancers, because it's difficult to count."

The guest company also plans to per-

form three works. A conversation with the compadres' dancers and directors precedes the show.

In January, EDE is set to travel to New York and perform with the Amy Marshall Dance Company. But before its departure, EDE celebrates the holiday season with *The Snow Queen*, a new production loosely based on the Hans

Christian Anderson tale, plus other works, and the Oakland University Chorale on Sunday, Dec. 5, at the Lake Orion Performing Arts Center.

Then EDE shifts gears and gets grooving to Motown, NewDANCEfest III, a special program for the Troy School District Saturday, Feb. 12, features new installments of the Motown in Motion project.

The season's last performance goes into yet another direction and taps into the company's signature use of humor in dance. *Laugh Tracks*, set for Friday, April 22, at Macomb Center for the Performing Arts in Clinton Township, combines inventive movement with comedy, both subtle and over the top.

Sounds like one jumping season.

Chill out at the Majestic

The Majestic Cafe will feature Chill nights on Mondays with DJ Shortround and Mike Huckaby spinning ambient and chill techno 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Majestic Theatre Center in Detroit.

Chill with Monday night regulars DJ Shortround and Mike Huckaby every Monday night free of charge hosted by bartender Anthony Henderson. Listen to the house grooves and laid back electronic music, while sitting in Detroit's favorite eclectic cafe.

DJ Shortround and Mike Huckaby are among the most respected DJs in Detroit. The two DJs, who have large followings, are staples in the Detroit electronic music scene. Both are also featured in Detroit's Electronic Music Festival, the largest electronic music festival in the world, which takes place every year in May at Hart Plaza.

Huckaby plays deep house (top house underground music), house and techno

He began to DJ in 1983 and is best known as being the longtime buyer at the local Record Time. He also selected and organized the artists for the first Pontiac Techno House Festival. Shortround plays a diverse mix of up-tempo music, melding techno, house, hip-hop and more. He too has been in the electronic music scene for well over 10 years.

For more information regarding Monday Chill nights call (313) 833-0120. The Majestic Cafe is at 4140 Woodward Ave. Detroit, Michigan. The cafe is open daily 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Kitchen hours are Monday-Thursday until midnight, Friday and Saturday until 1 a.m. and Sunday until 11 p.m.

The Majestic Theatre Center is a city block of fun on Detroit's Main Street. With a restaurant, pizzeria, two live music venues, five bars, 10 billiard tables and 16 bowling lanes, there is something for everyone.

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Hot Ticket

Child's play

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
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Today Youtheatre is Michigan's largest nonprofit, performing arts center for young people.

Try to imagine childhood without puppet shows and onstage fairy tales.

At the time, you couldn't have known the difference.

But a childhood without theater sounds like a childhood cut short.

Enter Youtheatre, a nonprofit organization that hosts hundreds of youth-oriented shows every year in southeast Michigan. And that's literally hundreds of shows — 171 for the 2004-05 season.

Youtheatre, which began as a Detroit Institute of Arts extension program for kids, is turning 40 years old. To mark the milestone, the organization is holding a 40th anniversary party starting 3 p.m. Saturday at the Millennium Centre in Southfield.

The event, which is open to the public, features performances by the local dance troupe Mello D's Youth Under Construction, children's games and activities and hors d'oeuvres. It's also a Halloween costume party.

The main attraction comes courtesy of the Virginia-based performance ensemble, Theatre IV, which will perform the stage version of *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*.

The production exemplifies Youtheatre's work and mission, reflected in the words of the organization's executive director, Paul Berg: "Bringing in professional companies for kids with as much education and entertainment as possible."

Every visiting performer or group is a professional and comes from outside the state. Some have traveled from as far away as Africa.

All of us strongly believe that the arts are a very important aspect of a child's development," Berg said. "Time and time again, studies have shown that the arts aid in children's development."

Youtheatre's season parallels the school year, offering mid-week shows for school and youth groups through its "Field Trip to Broadway Program" and family entertainment on weekends. While every featured show is specifically designed for kids, the program offers performing arts experiences in a

variety of disciplines from puppetry to mime to music. Shows run at four venues, the Millennium Centre, The Macomb Center in Clinton Township, Music Hall in Detroit and the Michigan Theatre in Ann Arbor.

After 30 years of operation at the DIA, funding cuts forced Youtheatre to relocate to Music Hall. In 2000, the organization found a new home at the Millennium Centre.

Michael Miners founded Youtheatre, then known as Detroit Youtheatre, in 1964.

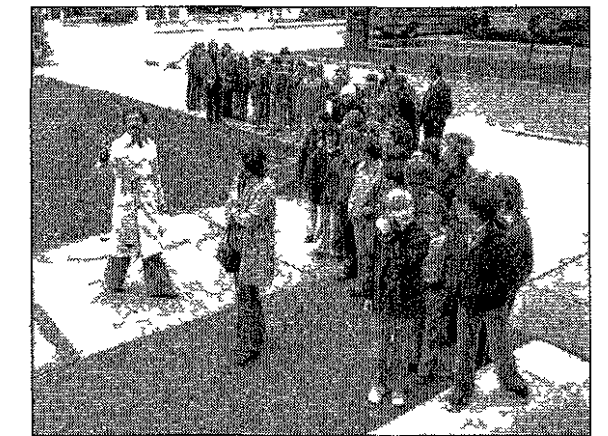
"Everybody called him Mickey," Berg said. "He loved kids, and he loved theater and just kind of put the two together. He had a great saying: 'There's no difference between good theater and bad theater.'"

So while Youtheatre has many goals, it always strives for a high level of quality entertainment suitable for children.

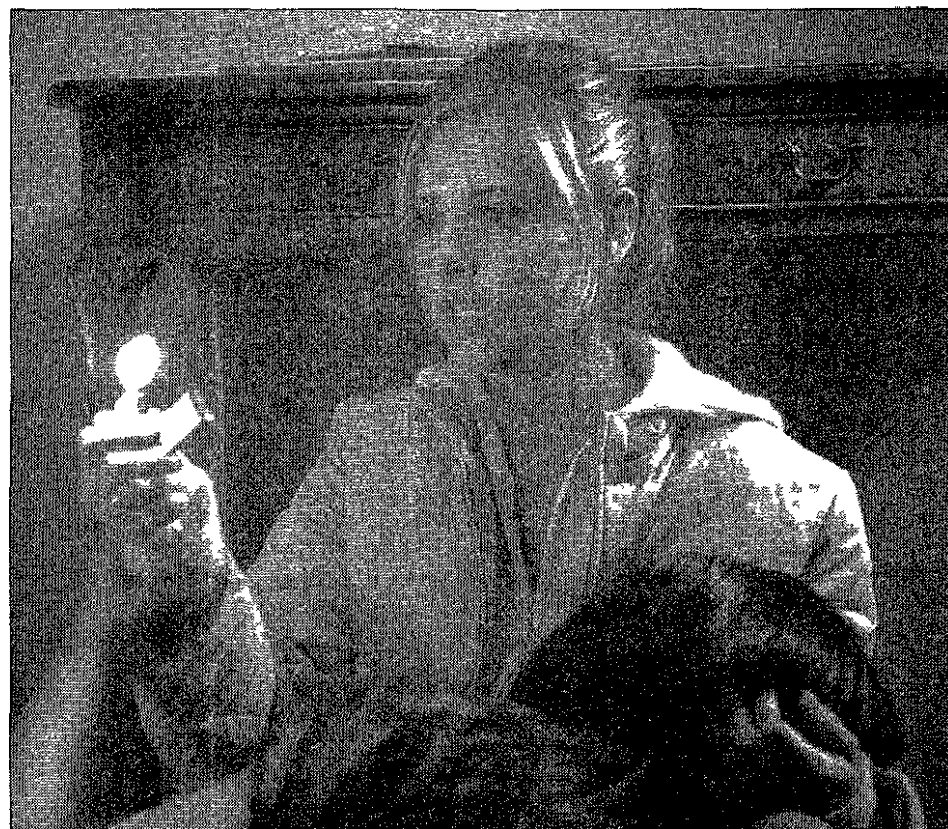
"Children today are bombarded with images, radio, television and even video games that are making them grow up so much more quickly," Berg said. "We want to be the place where kids can just be kids."

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Youtheatre celebrates its 40th year of entertaining children



Michael 'Mickey' Miners, left, founded Detroit Youtheatre in 1964. The organization later became Youtheatre.



COLUMBIA PICTURES

Sarah Michelle Gellar in 'The Grudge' an English-language version of the popular horror series about a house that's haunted by the unsettled spirits of its previous inhabitants

'The Grudge' stays true to its Japanese roots

BY CHRISTY LEMIRE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Another week, another remake of a hit Japanese movie

First we had Richard Gere and Jennifer Lopez tangoing their way through a tepid Americanization of the comedy *Shall We Dance?*

Now we get to behold *The Grudge*, an English language version of the popular horror series about a house that's haunted by the unsettled spirits of its previous inhabitants

Director Takashi Shimizu, who originated the Ju-on The Grudge films, stays true to his roots by keeping the action in Tokyo

Shimizu's first movie in English is sufficiently moody and has the requisite slow pacing and quick scares to make you jump, but it's never deeply frightening. That may have something to do with its antiseptic aesthetic - all cold silvers, grays and neutrals and hard light - keeping the audience at arm's length despite trying to reach out and grab it.

Sam Raimi's name is prominently displayed with the movie's title as if he were the director. But here the creator of the creepy cult classic *Evil Dead* movies - and more recently director of *Spider-Man* and *Spider-Man 2* - serves as producer.

But between the popularity of the *Ju-on* movies and the success of *The Ring* - the 2002 remake of the hit *Ringu* - Japanese fright flicks seem to be crossing the Pacific Ocean more easily all the time, even without having a famous name attached to them.

The Grudge has one, though. Sarah Michelle Gellar stars as an American exchange student and social worker who stumbles upon supernatural horrors while helping an elderly, catatonic woman (Grace Zabriskie).

Stripped of her Buffy powers, Gellar nonetheless perseveres as Karen Davis, presumably because she's the cute, plucky heroine in a horror movie. Everyone else who enters the home eventually succumbs, and we learn in flashbacks who they were.

The elderly woman, Emma, is the mother of brother and sister Matthew and Susan (William Mapother and KaDee Strickland), Americans whose jobs have taken them to Japan. Matthew and his wife, Jennifer (Clea DuVall), live with

Emma in the big, gray house surrounded by a stone wall on a secluded, leaf-covered drive. Soon after moving in, they began hearing creaking noises and seeing shadowy creatures that ultimately render them petrified. But the spirits also like to leave the house occasionally and run a few errands, such as tracking down Susan at her office late at night. While this development is ridiculous, the vision of one of the dark figures slinking down a hallway on a security camera monitor is one of the film's most startling. Karen, who moved to Tokyo with boyfriend Doug (Jason Behr from *Roswell*), knows none of this when she arrives as a substitute for her colleague, Yoko, who mysteriously fails to show up for work one day. (Yoko was a goner in the first reel after making the classic horror movie mistake of investigating strange sounds in the cobweb-covered attic.) All Karen knows is that she walks into the disheveled house, hears scratching noises upstairs and discovers a spooky little boy trapped inside a closet with an inordinately vocal black cat (What's the word for "redrum" in Japanese?) If you haven't seen the original *Ju-on*, we won't reveal the source of the spirits' angst. Let's just say it's vaguely reminiscent of *The Amityville Horror*, or since we've already alluded to it *The Shunning*, either of which is far more frightening than this.

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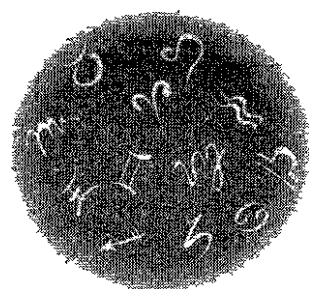
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Horoscope



Star Struck

(Oct 28 - Oct 30)
By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Recent events mean you now know that success on any level is really a ladder that cannot be climbed with one's hands in one's pockets. However, over the next few weeks it will be a waste of time arguing with individuals who cannot be honest with themselves or admit their mistakes. Act independently. Ram!

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Let family and friends have their way right now, even if you don't agree with what they're doing, because early next month you'll need their assistance and it will help if they owe you a favor. However, don't spend too much money with the Moon now in your sign, or you'll regret it by Thanksgiving.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

It simply is not possible to be all things to all people, and the sooner you realize that, the better your life will be. If you have to let someone down this week, be it friend or family, don't feel bad about it. It's time to put your own needs first, starting right now!

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Don't let others bully or browbeat you over a fiscal or professional matter. Venus now in Libra will give you the opportunity to air your grievances, but they are liable to fall on deaf ears unless you lay the necessary groundwork first. Stop acting like a crabby, moody Moon Kid.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Even if you hate to say you're sorry, you'll find it easy to beg for forgiveness over the coming days. (And according to the planets, you do have something to apologize for!) But don't let others play on your feelings of guilt. Be grand, Lion, make amends and move on.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Your sign is known for its generous, compassionate shoulders. You know how to communicate, so why are you making such a bad job of it lately? The only way you'll get what you desire in the weeks ahead is if you spell it out in plain and simple language.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

The astro-effect of Venus returning to your sign is to give you a new broom with which to sweep away any feelings of confusion, self-doubt or inadequacy. Personally and professionally, certain methods are no longer viable and therefore must be reorganized or replaced.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Unsettling developments seem to be casting a very long shadow over matters of a financial, tax or legal nature now. However, challenging it may be, it also heralds a period of intense growth and a wonderful opportunity to practice the maxim: As we think so, we are. Don't worry, get moving!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Despite how carefully you've planned the events of the next few days, something will happen that compels you to change things around, and you won't be too happy about it. But don't overreact, because it's not the end of the world, and the end results will bring smiles to other's faces nevertheless.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Generally, you are not the demonstrative type, particularly when it comes to affairs of the home or heart. However, now it's time to air your feelings to one whose passions may not coincide with your own. Be positive, you have more going for you than you realize.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

Uh, huh, Thanksgiving is approaching and holidays usually drown Water Bears with worry that you're not doing enough. You need to forget about your chores for a while and do something that is pure enjoyment. If nothing else, it will help you to come back to your working routine refreshed and ready!

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Now that the eclipse is over, you may be back on form and firing on all cylinders, but unfortunately, friends and members of the family are still not willing to give you their full support. By all means, stick to your guns, but be careful not to force the pace. Fish.

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Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda, we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

Video Game

Pure Picks is going to do the socially irresponsible thing today and pick **Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas** for Playstation 2. A friend of mine recently pledged to spend the entire day inside playing the ultra-violent and un-PC video game that I'm sorry critics is far and above the most visually interesting and well done open-ended game on the market.

The latest version of the *GTA* game line is set in a fictional state styled to look like California, employing all the '90s gangster clichés it possibly can, as it allows gamers to travel through three cities resembling L.A., San Francisco and Las Vegas.

Its stylized graphics and over 150 hours of story-driven play are sure to win the hearts of gaming fans.

And as always, the soundtrack for the game includes some gems: Rage Against the Machine, 2 Pac, James Brown, Slick Rick, Rick James, Public Enemy, Faith No More and Willie Nelson – certainly better than the bleeps and blips of Mario.

Predictions had the game raking in more money than some of Hollywood's top-grossing films. At 50 bucks a pop, it's not cheap, but that's the price you have to pay to run with the Joneses on this one. For more info, talk to your neighborhood 16-year-old or click on www.rockstargames.com/sanandreas.

GameCube or Xbox owner that feels left out of the shooting people loop? Dry your eyes. *Halo 2* hits stores Nov. 9.

Want to see your favorite new movie, band or book in this well-written column? Submissions for Pure Picks are always accepted. Shoot me an e-mail about your favorite new thing and let me know why you think it should be included. Or do the old-fashioned thing and send a letter to Pure Picks, c/o Stephanie Tardy, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009. If I'm impressed by your writing, I may give you a guest editor spot while I'm on vacation in November. This will pay nothing but the adoration of the seven people who read this column and is subject to the approval of my boss, who I haven't even asked if I can get a guest editor. So no promises. But write me!

Show

Do something a little revolutionary this Devil's Night by attending the **Untitled Halloween Party Saturday**. All the normal Untitled kids will be there (Matthew Dear, Ryan Elliott, Mike Servito, Geoff White) as well as some additional booty shakers: Michael Segal (Neptune Records), DJ Skitzo and Team Dorkwave (Les Infants Terribles). If you've never been to a Dorkwave or Untitled event, this will be a shockingly good introduction to the hottest electronic music events in Detroit.

The event takes place at Labyrinth, 1703 Cass Ave. in Detroit. Party starts at 10 p.m. Cover is \$5 and \$7 for those lame as not in costume. 18 and up.

For more, check out www.dorkwave.com or www.ghostly.com or call (313) 961-4358.

Music

Did I even talk about the day singer/songwriter **Elliott Smith** died in this column?

I woke that morning and instead of immediately checking my e-mail like normal (soft addictions are the bomb!), I opened my curtains and thought very clearly: It's definitely an Elliott Smith morning. I put on 1997's *either/or* and decided to make myself a real breakfast before reading the day's headlines.

Of course, all of this ultimately means nothing; it just creeped me out that I thought it was a Smith day – I'm not one to go around declaring such things.

Anyway, at the time of his death, Smith had enough recordings in the can to release a full album.

So, almost a year after his death (which was initially called a suicide, but the case has since been reopened), *from a basement on a hill* has been mixed and released on Epitaph offshoot Anti. The new album might as well be named *Elliott Smith is Dead and Maybe This Will Tell Us Why*.

Smith invoked a kind of fanaticism seen in certain cult music figures: Morrissey, for example, or John Lennon. To be a fan of Elliott was to advocate his love of a perfect melody and his downtrodden, sometimes misanthropic but mostly self-deprecating lyrics. Now you want to talk about something that will do damage to a person – Smith's sometimes utter desperation on repeat seems to me more harmful than any violent video game. In fact, there have been times I have banned his music from my life because I deemed it too depressing.

Smith is as melancholy as he is hopeful on this record, lending more speculation to his final days. Still searching for the perfect melody, lending no help to those of us who loved him.

From a basement on a hill is available everywhere. For more on Smith, check out the excellent fan site www.sweetadelin.net. For more on the record, click on www.anti.com.

Writer Tour

Did you guys ever watch *Strangers with Candy*? Did you just fall in love with **Amy Sedaris** like I did? Did you watch the special talk at the end of the DVD? Did you wish she would come to your town? Me too, me too. Oh, look, now she is. And she is coming with the most pretentiously named tour I think I have ever listed in Pure Picks: Sedaris will join humor writer **Andy Borowitz** for an evening of good times at 8 p.m. Friday at the Ark, 316 S. Main in Ann Arbor. The event is part of the much larger **New Yorker College Tour**, which runs Thursday through Saturday around the U-M campus. Tickets for the evening event are \$20 and available through Ticketmaster.

For complete information on the tour, including book signing and other speakers scheduled (including free afternoon sessions), visit www.newyorkercollegetour.com. All events are open to the public.

Pure Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy, who wants to be an iPod mini for Halloween. She deeply regrets not running any photos with this week's column, especially the one of her dressed up as Rainbow Brite in the '80s. Send information regarding local entertainment events to stardy@oe.homecomm.net.

More movies

'Surviving Christmas' a hopelessly lost cause

BY DAVID GERMAIN
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Out of the mouths of puppets: A tune in the marionette parody *Team America: World Police* mocks the war epic *Pearl Harbor* and suggests its star, Ben Affleck, needs acting lessons.

In the atrocious holiday comedy *Surviving Christmas*, Affleck is as stilted and awkward as he's ever been, fumbling along with a dopey grin and way over the top jocularity.

You could forgive some of Affleck's graceless hamming if anything in the movie was remotely watchable. But *Surviving Christmas*, meant as a bonny holiday from-hell romp, turns out to be purgatory for viewers.

Performing CPR on a drunken Santa stricken on the sidewalk after he ate a chili dog would be more fun.

The movie is dead from the outset given the artificiality of the premise about a lonely rich guy who hires the folks living in his boyhood home to be his family for the holidays.

In the clunky, hurried setup, the filmmakers impart no credibility, as if they figured Affleck's mug, the Christmas tinsel and trappings and a few dumb sight gags would carry the day.

Surviving Christmas is directed by Mike Mitchell, who gave us *Deuce Bigalow: Male Gigolo*.

The four people receiving credit on the screenplay include the writing team that worked on *A Very Brady Sequel* and wrote and directed *Josie and the Pussycats*.

With such a pedigree, this cinematic lump of coal is no big surprise.

Affleck plays Drew Latham, whose nebulous career as a crackerjack idea man in marketing or product development or something along those lines is supposedly established in a scene where he pitches his bosses on the brilliant idea of pre-spiked eggnog.

(This follows an opening-credit montage that includes an old woman who bakes holiday gingerbread men with frowns, then turns on her gas oven, kneels and sticks her head inside.)

Unable to face Christmas alone after a spat with his girlfriend, Drew visits the house where he grew up.

After some inane hunkys with the owners, Tom and Christine Valco (James Gandolfini and Catherine

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O'Hara), Drew worms his way into their hearth and home by offering \$250,000 if they'll pretend to be his parents for Christmas.

All this happens in the first few minutes, coming so fast and choppy it barely gives moviegoers time to settle on which cupholder they'd like to keep their soda in.

The Valcos' reluctant daughter and son (Christina Applegate and Josh Zuckerman) get sucked along for the masquerade. Guess which sibling winds up in mistletoe mode with Drew?

The movie woefully wastes the enormous talents of Gandolfini and O'Hara, who look as though they could use a gallon or two of Drew's spiked nog to ease the pained expressions they wear most of the time.

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Applegate tries to play things for real, but it's a lost cause when she's compelled to alternately loathe and love Drew for no reason, scene after scene.

Bill Macy is tossed in to pointless effect as an actor Drew hires to be his grandpa "Doo-Dah."

As for Affleck, the *Team America* puppets were less stiff and more human. Affleck is so clumsy and shallow as Drew, there's no way to empathize with this poor little rich buffoon.

A better actor might have salvaged something late in the game with Drew's soliloquy about why spending Christmas alone is so painful for him, but Affleck's droning delivery snuffs the melodrama.

This is one Christmas in October we could have done without.

Surviving Christmas a DreamWorks release is rated PG-13 for sexual content, language and a brief drug reference. Running time: 91 minutes. One star out of four.



SUSANNE TENNER

Drew Latham (Ben Affleck, left) and his 'adopted' brother Brian Valco (Josh Zuckerman) enjoy the old Christmas tradition of roasting chestnuts on an open fire, as their 'mother' Christine (Catherine O'Hara) looks on in 'Surviving Christmas.'

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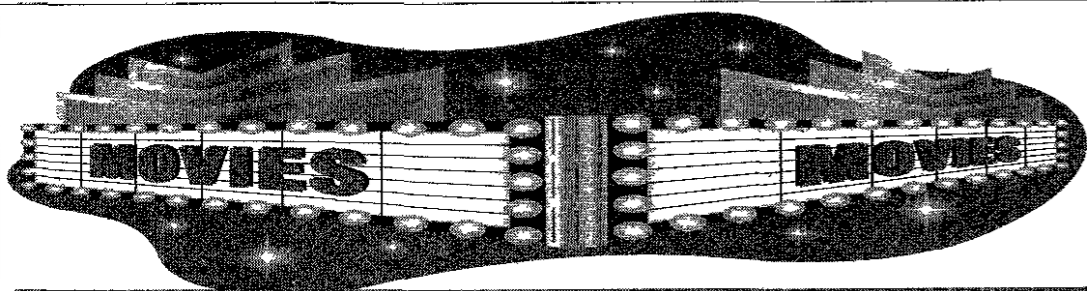
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Poets and writers are invited to read their works at an open mic event 2 4 p.m. Sunday Oct 31 Bloomfield Township Library Lone Pine Road at Telegraph (248) 672 4413

Magic show
Nationally recognized magician Doc Eason brings his magic to the stage of the Farmington Players Barn 7 p.m. Thursday Nov 4 Tickets \$10 and include free hot dogs and refreshments Tickets available

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PROFESSIONAL THEATER

The Metropolitan Opera Auditions

Attend and experience The Metropolitan Opera Auditions at The Detroit Opera House on Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. until approximately at 3 p.m. when the winners are announced. The Detroit Opera House is at 1526 Broadway, Detroit. There is a \$10 charge for admission for adults for this all-day event and \$5 for students. Tickets are available at the door the day of the auditions. Only cash or checks will be accepted. This event is co-sponsored by The Metropolitan Opera National Council Auditions, Michigan District and The Michigan Opera Theatre. For more information, call (248) 644-8747.

JET

Herb Gardner's Tony award-winning play *I'm Not Rappaport* through Sunday, Nov. 14, shows run 7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Aaron DeRoy Theatre, Jewish Community Center campus, 6600 W. Maple, West Bloomfield. \$27-\$37 with discounts for students and seniors. Call (248) 788-2900.

Village Theater at Cherry Hill

Silverguy Entertainment presents *Hephaestus*, a Greek mythology circus tale, 8 p.m. Saturday. Performance combines music, dance, theater, and the circus big top to create an original stage show. \$30. There are two ticket locations: Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, and the Village Theater Ticket Office, 50400 Cherry Hill. Call (734) 394-5300 or visit www.cantonmi.org/CPAEC/about.asp.

Power Center

Forbidden Christmas or *The Doctor and The Patient* stars Mikhail Baryshnikov, 8 p.m. today, Saturday and 2 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, 121 Fletcher St., Ann Arbor. \$20-\$60. Thursday, Sunday performances, \$20-\$65. Friday, Saturday

performances (734) 764-2538, www.ums.org.

Planet Ant

The Shape of Things by Neil LaBute, previews Oct. 29 to Nov. 4, runs Nov. 5-28, 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, 2357 Caniff, Hamtramck. \$15-\$10. Students/seniors (313) 365-4948, www.planetant.com.

The Music Box

Late Night Catechism II through Dec. 5 at The Max, 3711 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Call (313) 576-5111 or www.detroitstymphony.com for tickets and show times.

City Theatre

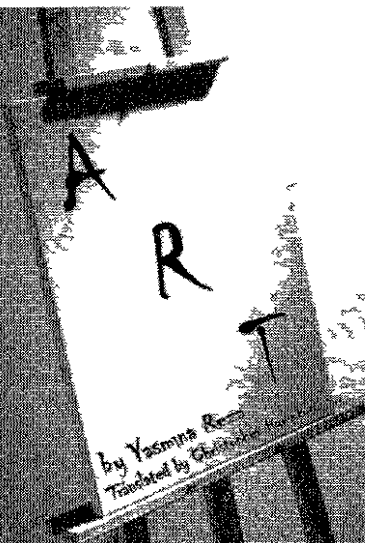
Male Intellect: An Oxymoron, a one-man comedy about men in search of what women want, runs through Sunday, Nov. 14, shows at 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday, 2301 Woodward Ave., Detroit. \$20-\$29.50. Call Ticketmaster at (248) 645-6666 or visit www.olympiaentertainment.com.

Gem Theatre

Menopause: The Musical, call (313) 963-9800 for show times and information.

Performance network

Humble Boy through Sunday, Shows 8 p.m. Thursday, Saturday and 2 p.m.



Meadow Brook Theatre presents 'Art' by Yasmina Reza. Play continues through Sunday, Nov. 7, at the theater on the Oakland University campus in Rochester Hills. Show times vary, call (248) 377-3300 for tickets.

Sunday 120 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, Friday \$29.50, Saturday \$32.50, Thursday and Sunday \$24.50. Call (734) 663-0681, visit www.performancecenter.org.

Plowshares Theatre

How High The Moon by Janet Cho, today through Sunday, Oct. 31, General Motors Theatre at the Charles Wright Museum of African History, 335 E. Warren, Detroit. \$15 (313) 872-0279, www.plowshares.org.

DINNER THEATER

StarBrite Presents Dinner Theater

Escanaba in da Moonlight at the 14th Street Grille and Bar, 350 E. 14 Mile Road, Madison Heights. Fridays and Saturdays through Nov. 20, Dinner 6:30 p.m., curtain 7:30 p.m. Dinner and theater including tax, cost \$39.50 per person for either performance. Call (248) 589-9900 for reservations or www.starbriteprod.com.

Rodgerland Productions

Catch Me If You Can, 6:30 p.m. dinner show, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Oct. 29-30, Nov. 5-6, \$25 tickets for Oct. 15 show, \$30 to benefit the Shriners at the Clawson Troy Elks, 1451 E. Big Beaver Road, Troy. (586) 776-9844.

Paper Bag Productions

The Wizard of Oz, lunch at noon, show 1 p.m. Saturday, lunch at 1 p.m. show 2 p.m. Sunday, through Nov. 7, at Theatre Livonia in the Livonia Mall, 7 Mile Road at Middlebelt, use the G entrance, \$10 lunch and show, \$7 show only. (586) 344-7774.

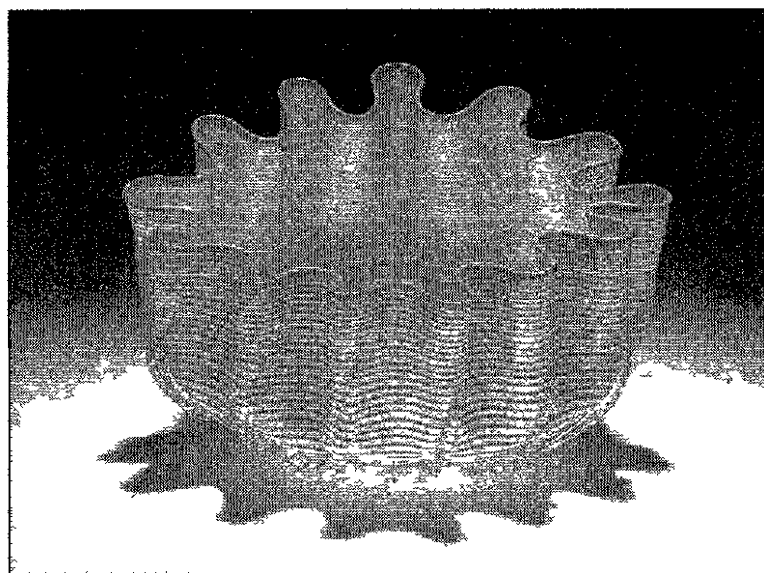
COMMUNITY THEATER

Main Stage Theatre Guild

Uncle Reuben's Radio Mayhem, *Halloween Stories*, and *other Mayhem*, eight actors recreate Radio Theater, 8 p.m. today, Saturday, 4 p.m. Sunday, Theatre Livonia, Livonia Mall, 29516 Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt, use the G entrance, \$10 students/seniors, \$5 (586) 344-7774.

Flint City Theatre

Scream Theatre, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday at the Good Beans Cafe, 328 N. Grand, Traverse, Flint. A night of scary and hilarious tales told in 1940's radio format with live sound effects. Tickets



Epiphany Glass, 770 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac, will be holding an open studio/Volcano and Splash exhibit, 4-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4. View individually crafted collection of handblown glass sculptures including this 'Splash Striped Sculpture in Lemon.' Meet artisan husband and wife team Jason Ruff and April Wagner. Live glass blowing demonstrations will be conducted every half hour. For more information, call (248) 745-3786.

\$5 at the door or call (810) 341-6912 or (810) 237-4663 for reservations, www.flintcitytheatre.com.

Lakeland Players

The Bad Seed, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, Oct. 29-30, Nov. 5-6, Starlight Theatre in Summit Place Mall, 315 N. Telegraph, Waterford. \$9 adults, \$8 seniors/students, www.landlandplayerstheatre.org.

Novi Theatre's

The Emperor's New Clothes, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 3 p.m. Sunday, \$12. Nov. 1-3, Theatres, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi. (248) 347-0400.

Broadway Onstage

Yasmina Reza, a serio comedy translated by Christopher Hampton, through Nov. 20, no performances Nov. 5 or Nov. 12, 8 p.m. Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. on select Sundays, 21517 Kelly Road, Eastpointe. (586) 771-6333, www.broadwayonstage.com.

Congregation Beth Shalom

For Our Daughters, an original Illusion Theater production, will be presented at 14601 West Lincoln Road, Oak Park, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4. Donations of \$5 per ticket will support women's programming by both Beth Shalom Sisterhood and the Greater Detroit Chapter of Hadassah. Reservations can be made through the Synagogue office, (248) 547-7970 or Hadassah, (248) 683-5030.

COLLEGE THEATER

Oakland Community College

All in the Timing, a lively and clever series of playlets by David Ives, 8 p.m. today, Saturday, Smith Theatre of Oakland Community College's Orchard Ridge campus, 27055 Orchard Lake Road, just south of I-696 in Farmington Hills. \$8 students/seniors, \$5.

Bonstelle Theatre

A Flea in Her Ear will play at the historic Bonstelle Theatre on the Wayne State University campus in Detroit, 8 p.m.

Friday, Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, through Nov. 7, \$12. A discount for students, seniors, and members of The Wayne State University Alumni Association, call (313) 577-2960.

Hilberry Theatre

Noel Coward's *Blythe Spirit*, through Saturday, Dec. 11, in rotating repertory with *The Merry Wives of Windsor* by William Shakespeare and *Mother Courage and Her Children* by Bertolt Brecht, Wayne State University campus, 4743 Cass Ave., corner of W. Hancock, Detroit. \$13-\$22 student discount. Call (313) 577-2972 for show times.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Horns and Howls

Motor City Brass Band concert in the spirit of Halloween, 8 p.m. Saturday, Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., Dearborn, corner of Greenfield, no charge for children 12 and under, \$12 adults, \$10 students/seniors at the door or call (313) 943-2354. Punch and dessert afterward. Band members will be dressed in costume. All children in costume will be eligible to win a prize.

Native American Festival

11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Marygrove College, Alumnae Hall, 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit. \$3 general admission, free for kids 12 and under. (313) 927-1477.

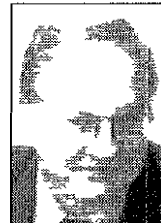
Pronto!

Dog Gone Scary Fun Raiser for the Royal Oak Animal Shelter on Saturday at Pronto! 608 S. Washington, near Sixth Street, in downtown Royal Oak. Event is part of Downtown Royal Oak's Ghastly Halloween Weekend. Ten percent of proceeds from the 17-hour fund raiser that includes breakfast, lunch, dinner, and an all-night *Come as You Are* or *Come in Costume*. Party will support the shelter. Doors open at 9 a.m. for breakfast and guests are welcome until 2 a.m.

Small screen

Travel back in time for some real Halloween fun

Boo! Halloween is near, and that means the cable stations will be trotting out all the usual suspects for a night of frightening film fare. You can expect to see *A Nightmare on Elm Street*, *Friday the 13th*, *The Exorcist*, etc.



Beyond Bad

Greg Kowalski

Why, oh why, doesn't anyone show *The Incredibly Strange Creatures Who Stopped Living and Became Mixed-Up Zombies* anymore? At any rate, skip the cable connection and put together your own film fest. The possibilities are almost literally endless, but to do something different, I would recommend a night of retro horror. Dip into the old film vault for some 1950s treasures.

That was a glorious decade for horror, especially drive-in schlock. While Hammer films was turning out classy pro-

ductions like *Curse of Frankenstein* and *Dracula*, Roger Corman was producing *Beast with a Million Eyes* and *The Wasp Woman*. And Ed Wood was in his "prime" with *Plan 9 From Outer Space* and *Bride of the Monster*, among others.

But there are a few jewels that really stand out. Check out *Dementia*, an earnest 1955 production about a woman going mad.

This has some genuinely creepy-cheesy scenes, and best of all, it's narrated by none other than a pre-Johnny Carson Ed McMahon.

And speaking of creepy-cheesy, one of the all-time greatest is *The Tangler*, the 1959 William Castle classic about a monster that looks like a huge centipede that is created out of fear and can only be destroyed by screaming.

The best scene in the film – and one of the best horror scenes ever filmed – doesn't directly involve the beast but rather a woman who is literally scared to death.

This is a dandy film – the first ever to make a reference to LSD – and stands as a genuine horror classic.

But enough of that. Let's talk trash.

NEW DVD/VIDEO RELEASES

If you missed it at the theater, check out these new home-video releases.

Van Helsing – Director Stephen Sommers (*The Mummy*) dips further into the Universal Studios monster vault to present Bram Stoker's vampire hunter (Hugh Jackman) as a mysterious Vatican agent stalking Dracula, the Wolfman and Frankenstein's monster. A single-disc DVD edition has commentary from Sommers and collaborators, a featurette on the elaborate visual effects and background on past movie incarnations of the Van Helsing character. A three-disc collector's set also has Universal's 1930s classics *Dracula*, *Frankenstein* and *The Wolf Man*. Single DVD, \$29.98, DVD set, \$54.99 (Universal).

Garfield: The Movie – The comic-strip fat cat comes to life in last summer's family hit, combining live action and computer animation and featuring the voice of Bill Murray for the droll mewings of the lasagna-obsessed feline. Created by digital imagery, Garfield finds himself roused from his usual lethargy into action against a corrupt TV pet show host who has abducted the cat's pesky "sibling," Odie the dog. The DVD features commentary from director Pete Howitt and producer John Davis and has wide-screen and full-screen versions of the movie.

DVD, \$29.98 (20th Century Fox)

A Cinderella Story – Teen queen Hilary Duff does the princess thing in a contemporary update of the fairy tale. Worked to the bone by her greedy stepmom (Jennifer Coolidge) and put upon by her hostile stepsisters, Duff's do-gooder Valley Girl finds a glimmer of hope in her online romance with a cyber-hunk who turns out to be her school's top jock (Chad Michael Murray). Duff-powered DVD extras include deleted footage, commentary with the star and her cast mates, a featurette on her costumes and a music video by Duff and sister Haylie. DVD, \$27.95 (Warner Bros.).

Ed Wood – Before Johnny Depp's next stunt playing an eccentric artistic type, *Peter Pan* creator J.M. Barrie in *Finding Neverland*, here's a refresher course on the actor's remarkable range. Tim Burton's 1994 film stars Depp as Ed Wood, the insanely energetic but untalented director behind such awful movies as *Plan 9 From Outer Space*. Co-star Martin Landau won the supporting-actor Academy Award for his portrayal of Bela Lugosi.

The DVD has commentary with Burton, Landau and other collaborators, deleted scenes and four background featurettes. DVD, \$29.99 (Disney).

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Seek out *Teenage Cave Man*, starring Robert Vaughn and *Jessie James Meets Frankenstein's Daughter*. And don't miss *It Conquered the World*. This 1956 classic features possibly the goofiest monster of all time. It looks like half a giant cucumber with fangs.

In the '50s, big was in and one of the best big bug films was *The Giant Gantu*, which is about, well, a giant preying mantis.

The Monster that Challenged the World

was about a giant snail, which looked nothing like a snail and did not challenge the world. But let's not be picky.

The leeches in *Attack of the Grant Leeches* also looked nothing like leeches, but did have their moments, especially in their underground lair.

We're going to wrap this up by stretching the bounds of '50s films into 1961 for a priceless performance by a man who is known mainly for his films of the 1950s: Tor Johnson.

A 300-pound Swedish wrestler, Johnson was known for co-starring in Ed Wood epics, but in 1961 he went center stage in *The Beast of Yucca Flats*.

He plays a scientist who is caught up in an atomic blast and turned into a monster.

After sputtering a few lines of dialogue, he spends the rest of the film doing what he does best – grunting and lumbering across the stage.

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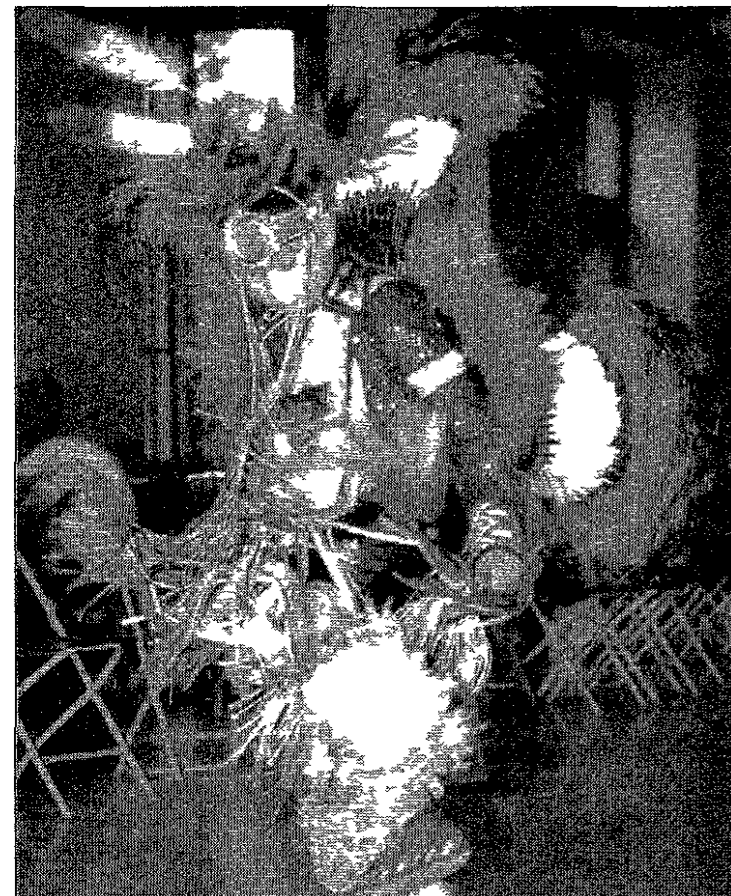
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Native American dancing is one of the highlights of the festival

Native American Festival aims to educate people about diverse cultures

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

A hoop dancer spinning 28 hoops simultaneously, "Indian" tacos, pow-wow dogs and corn soup. These are just a few of the highlights of the fifth annual Native American Festival taking place Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Marygrove College Alumnae Hall in Detroit.

The festival is being held in conjunction with the North American Indian Association of Detroit.

Only a handful of people on the North American continent can do the hoop dance," said Gayle Spencer, assistant dean of student affairs at Marygrove. "And only a handful of people in Michigan."

Members of the tribes — Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi, Ojibwa, Mohawk and Delaware — will attend the festival, playing music, wearing traditional costumes, showing their traditional dance and answering questions from the curious.

Several hundred people are expected to attend the event.

The NAIA said "Indian tacos," still relatively uncommon in this country, are made of tomatoes, green pepper, onion, mushrooms, rice, beans, chili sauce and fried bread.

Pow wow dogs are similar to hot dogs but are wrapped in a fried buttermilk bread. Understanding

NATIVE AMERICAN FESTIVAL

When: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday Oct. 30
Where: Marygrove College, Alumnae Hall 8425 W. McNichols, Detroit
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the cuisine helps educate others about the culture.

"The goal of the festival is to educate our students of other cultures and diverse populations," Spencer said. "The Native American population is well represented. However, we have a diverse audience with people from all cultures who attend."

The NAIA is the oldest urban Native American center in the U.S. The organization is dedicated to serving the needs of the community by promoting self-sufficiency for Native Americans through education assistance, employment training, creating awareness of services and to foster and preserve Native American culture and heritage.

At the festival there will also be face-painting for kids, traders and commentary during the dance.

Music

'Van Helsing's Curse' is a scary rock orchestra

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

One Christmas season a few years ago, Twisted Sister's Dee Snyder went to see the Trans Siberian Orchestra.

He was awestruck. Hearing powerful sounds of a full orchestra creating emotional Christmas music by blending heavy metal with classical songs gave Snyder an idea. Do something similar for Halloween.

It's not surprising that Halloween would be my favorite holiday, said the lead singer of the popular '80s metal band. "Its popularity is growing in the U.S. I wanted to create fun, creepy, beautiful Halloween music. All we had until now was really just the *Monster Mash*."

And *Van Helsing's Curse* was born. The 18-piece orchestra is coming to the Royal Oak Music Theatre on Friday. Michigan is just one of three cities where the *Curse* will play this year. It opened earlier this month to sold-out crowds in Long Island and Philadelphia.

The name Van Helsing comes from a character in *Dracula*. Van Helsing is the demon slayer whose curse is that they always return. The show begins with



Dee Snyder's Van Helsing's Curse blends classical and metal, Halloween style

Snyder narrating the Halloween tale and then the symphony plays.

The music is big, powerful, haunting and energetic.

Ironically, Snyder registered the name *Van Helsing's Curse* several years ago, before Universal Studios released its *Van Helsing* movie.

"They wanted that name and I said they could still use it. It helps me with this project name recognition," Snyder said.

The targeted age group is 11-70 years old. "My 8-year-old daughter loved it, but look who her dad is," Snyder joked. "She

VAN HELSING'S CURSE

What: A Halloween orchestra created by Dee Snyder
When: 7:30 p.m. Friday Oct. 29
Where: Royal Oak Music Theatre 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak
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doesn't frighten easily. What's really cool is the mix of people who were at the show — grandparents, parents, skater kids and rockers, and goths and bankers. Halloween appeals to everyone."

Twisted Sister also just re-recorded some of their hits for a CD being released this month. "Doing that was very personal to me and I'm glad I did it," Snyder said. "But I'm looking forward. *Van Helsing's Curse* is my baby right now."

The musicians are in costume during

the show. The string musicians wear traditional gothic gear — think of an Ann Rice character. The electric musicians dress in new gothic costumes ala Marilyn Manson. And there are hooded Gregorian chanters.

"On stage there's an old versus new gothic struggle. It's really cool. Snyder hopes *Van Helsing's Curse* is as big as the Trans Siberian Orchestra. He's funding the project out of his pocket.

"This is my dream right now," he said. "I believe if people see it, they'll love it. But right now it's a tough sell because word isn't out there yet."

Van Helsing's Curse isn't Snyder's only project. He's also starring in a VH 1 reality show about his family.

"I'm married and have a family, our family is normal — a rare thing in the rock world," Snyder said.

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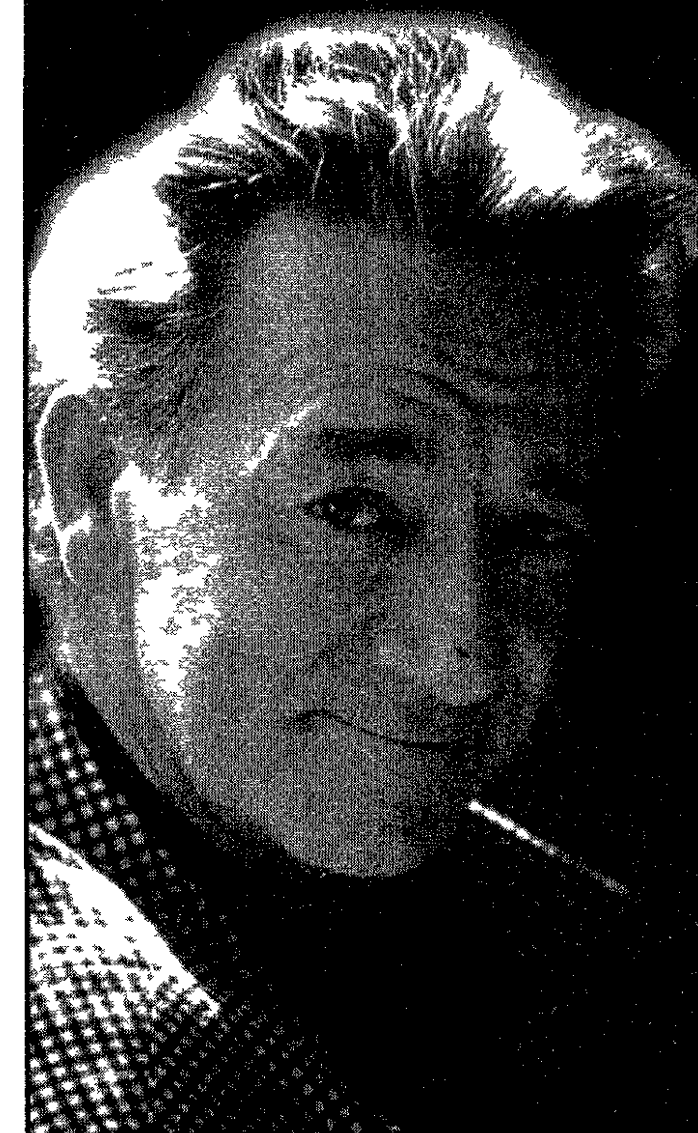
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Ghouls just wanna have fun

Try a weekend of Halloween revelry

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Americans will spend more than \$1.5 billion on Halloween costumes this year.

And there are plenty of places to wear them - nightclub dance parties for the wild crowd, trick-or-treating socials for families. The options seem to grow every year.

That's good news for Halloween fans because haunted houses and nightclubs take big steps to out-do one another in their bid for customer dollars.

"Bleu will be decorated really spooky ... very extensively," said Mitchell Jaworski of the Bleu Room Experience nightclub in Detroit. "The vibe will be super cool - hip, professional, suburban."

The high-energy nightclub, which made its mark in Detroit by bringing in some of the world's hottest DJs, is hosting several Halloween parties this weekend. There are costume contests each night with \$1,000 prizes. Think sexy, creepy or bizarre and get ready to do the *Monster Mash*.

"The music will be all over the map," Jaworski said. "Halloween songs and Halloween remixes."



Skin is in at the Halloween parties at Bleu.

Here's a sample of local events:

NIGHTCLUBBING

■ 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 - Boogie Fever on Woodward Avenue, just north of Nine Mile Road in Ferndale. 96.3 WDDV FM broadcasts. \$10 per person. 21 and over.

■ Friday-Saturday, Oct. 29 and 30 - Bleu Room Experience, 1540 Woodward Ave., Detroit. On Friday, *Detroit Club Scene Halloween Party* with DJs Junkie XL and Mauro Picotto of Italy. Doors open at 9 p.m. 18 and over only. On Saturday, is the *Halloween Bash* with DJs Kalendr and Shawn Michaels. Doors open at 10 p.m.; 18 and over for women, 21 and over men; call (313) 222-1900

■ 9 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 30 - Royal Oak Music Theatre, 318 W. Fourth St., Royal Oak; Halloween Costume Contest with 101 WRIF's Doug Podell broadcasting live; (248) 399-2980; cover is \$15; 21 and over only. First prize for costume is \$3,000.

SCARY MUSIC

■ 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30 - Motor City Brass Band presents Horns and Howls 4 at the Ford Community and Performing Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Ave., Dearborn. Come in costume and enter a contest. Tickets \$12 for adults, \$10 for kids 12 and under and also seniors; call (248) 788-6618 or www.mcbb.org.



From (left) Shannon Rossio, Mitch Master and Sarah Grace are ready to star in *Dracula* at the West Bloomfield Civic Theater.

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Relevance & Resonance

Detroit Rep seeks to speak to its audiences

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Detroit Repertory Theatre just keeps chasing down what's on our minds. It's a tried-and-true formula for success called knowing your audience.

But it seems to work wonders for Detroit Rep, which opens its 2004-05 season Nov. 4. The professional theater company began back in 1957 - a mighty long time for grass roots theater.

"You choose plays that have a kind of resonance and relevance to your audience," said Bruce E. Millan, Detroit Rep's artistic director and co-founder.

Take for example, the season's opening production, *Coming to Life*. The comedy takes place in a retirement home and revolves around five feisty females who discover through their own bickering and idiosyncrasies that the right time to make a difference is the time left.

It's about a group of seniors who are bored to tears, Millan said. "But through a counselor, these feisty ladies assert themselves. It's quite humorous, and they come to life."

Likewise, Detroit Rep's second production, *Intimate Apparel*, tackles a universal theme that's currently on people's minds - loneliness.

"It's about an African-American woman who is a seamstress and makes exquisite lingerie for clientele. She is quite successful, but she is very lonely," Millan said. "She works alone and is very isolated, but she gambles it all to cure her loneliness."

The play, which takes place at the dawn of the 20th

AT THE REP

What *Coming to Life*, a comedy by June August opens Detroit Repertory Theatre's 2004-2005 season.

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century, runs Jan. 13 to March 20.

Byrd's Boy, set to show March 31 through May 22, also explores loneliness, as well as issues of identity, in a story about an unusual bond formed between a female security guard and a homeless man.

Detroit Rep's final production, *Hannibal at the Alps* by Detroit resident Michael Dinwiddie, traverses the life experience of poet Langston Hughes. But the play, which is set to run June 2-26, explores Hughes' own ambivalence as a young man and struggle with cultural identity.

Due to its commitment to nurturing the local theater community, Det Rep seeks to produce one work by a



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Sandra Aldridge (clockwise from top left), Mary Bremer, Henrietta Hermelin, Jennifer Jones and Charlotte Leisinger make up the cast.

Michigan playwright each season.

"So if the play is from Michigan, we try to give it a little extra consideration. But the main thing is that it has to be something that resonates," Millan said, adding, "That's what art is all about. We go to theater to learn about our selves."

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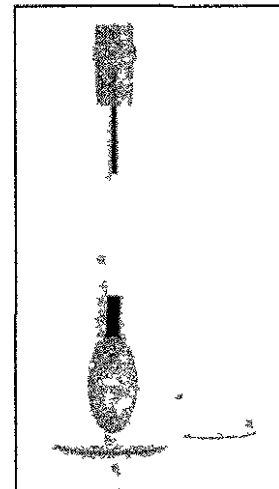
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Alexander Grappa Platinum is distilled from the pomace of grapes from Italy's Valpolicella area.

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Reunion

Creative rebels of the '60s reunite

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

What's now a strip mall and parking lot on the northeast corner of the Lodge Service Drive is where an artist's workshop once thrived.

How appropriately cliché. Back in 1964 a group of hippie/radical do-it-yourself artists formed the Detroit Artists Workshop that helped shape Detroit's current creative culture.

Those pioneering artists are reuniting for a series of events, and the public is invited. On Thursday, Nov. 4, they'll meet to sign a beam at the Scarab Club in Detroit. On Friday, DAW musician Lyman Woodard will perform in the Diego Rivera Court at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Photographer Lem Sinclair's work is on display at Bookbeat in Oak Park.

The poets, musicians, painters, filmmakers, photographers, jazz artists, fiction writers and advocates were rebels in the '60s and '70s — and remain so today. The artists were poet John Sinclair, whose arrest for marijuana possession made headlines, rock photographer Lem Sinclair, rock poster artist Gary Grimshaw, musician Lyman Woodard, author Ed Sanders, writer/Bob Seger, body-

guard/White Panther founder Pun Plamaudon and many others.

The DAW was racially integrated and celebrated freedom from restrictions from the past.

"The Artists Workshop is very unique and important in my life," Grimshaw said. "It transformed me from a drifting, rudderless teenage sailing ship into a speeding cigarette boat of an adult powered by a roaring, blown V-8."

The purpose of the 40-year anniversary reunion is to celebrate the creativity that thrives in the city.

Grimshaw, who created album covers for the MC5 and posters for Elvis Presley, Iggy Pop, The Doors, Jimi Hendrix and others, said he's still inspired by the DAW.

"Here was a bunch of rag-tag artist types who banded together to commiserate their plight with each other and celebrate their inspiration with the public, all performed in an apparent and actual hostile environment. The magic happened when the wall of hostility gave a little, the imaged limits started giving way to more possibilities."

DETROIT ARTISTS WORKSHOP

■ **Opening reception** 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 4. The Scarab Club, 217 Farnsworth Street, Detroit. (313) 831-1250. Founding members of the Detroit Artists Workshop will sign a wooden beam at the restaurant and refreshments. The event is free.

■ **The Lyman Woodard Ensemble:** 6:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 5. Detroit Institute of Arts, Diego Rivera Court, 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit. Woodard will perform and five original DAW poets will read — John Sinclair, George Tysh, Robin Echele, Bill Harris and James Semark.

■ **Concert and Poetry Performance:** 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 6. Wayne State University Campus, Upper DeRoy Auditorium. Poets: James Semark, M.L. Liebler, John Sinclair, George Tysh, Bill Harris, Robin Echele, Ken Mikolowski, Amiri Baraka and Ed Sanders. Music by the Ron English Ensemble with English, Steve Wood, John Dana and Danny Spencer. Ongoing.

■ A photography exhibit by Leni Sinclair at BookBeat, 26010 Greenfield, Oak Park. (248) 968-1190. 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Friday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday; noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Party time

Get into the Groove: Celebrate Halloween the '80s way

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

The neon. The New Romantic. Duran Duran style coifs. The sports jackets with turned up collars and pushed up sleeves. The mullets. The pointy shoes and beetle boots.

The 80s were fun. Lace clothing, rubber bracelets, hair bows and hair gel. The music was danceable and everyday clothing was like a Halloween costume — just choose your style: punk, new wave, Madonna wanna-be, Don Johnson look-alike, whatever.

Revisit that era on Devil's Night, Saturday, Oct. 30, at the Magic Bag in Ferndale with one of Detroit's most popular bands, the Mega 80s.

When the Mega 80s play, people come. It's more than a local band playing old hits. It's a high-end production show with a big feel. Huge video screens show popular '80s videos and the band members dress in character. The Mega 80s performs 80s songs with eerie perfection.

For Halloween, we ask people to come dressed in costume, but we know we don't have to ask," said vocalist Carey Denha. People always come dressed up at our shows. The crowd is young people, and those who were teens in the '80s, it's a nice mix.

For the Halloween show, video screens will play clips from popular '80s teen slasher films.

A Mega 80s concert is big — only a few metro Detroit nightclubs have enough space for its multimedia backdrops. The Magic Bag is one of them.

It's like a growing Las Vegas show, Denha said.

Each band member dresses in a different '80s style. Denha wears an Atari shirt, another member has the Don Johnson look, another resembles Duran Duran, every style is represented.

During the set, the band members



A Mega 80s concert is big — only a few metro Detroit nightclubs have enough space for its multimedia backdrops.

MEGA 80S

When: 8 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 30

Where: The Magic Bag, 22920 Woodward Ave., Ferndale, (248) 544-3030

Cost: \$10, 21 and over

change their New Wave clothes and transform themselves into a metal band for the Metal Medley, during which they sing pieces of *Home Sweet Home*, *Sweet Child O' Mine*, *Living On a Prayer* and other songs. But unlike many metal shows, you won't see pyro-technics on stage.

"We had to stop that a few years ago after the Great White incident," Denha said. (A nightclub burned down, killing several audience people, after Great White's fire gimmicks went awry.) "Instead, we use confetti bursts, it's great."

During the regular set, they play songs like *Jesse's Girl*, *Whip It*, *Reflex*, *Wang Chung* and many more.

What keeps crowds returning to Mega 80s shows is that the show is constantly evolving.

"Like Cedar Point keeps adding new roller coasters to get people to return, we add things to our show to keep it fresh."

So grab your muscle shirt for an upbeat Halloween bash.

HALLOWEEN

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THEATER

■ 7:30 p.m. Fridays-Saturday, Oct. 29-30 and Nov. 5-6, 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31 and Nov. 7 — *Dracula*, presented by Pontiac Theatre IV, at the West Bloomfield Civic Theatre, connected to Barnes & Noble, 6800 Orchard Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Tickets \$10, by phone (248) 737-3301 or at the door.

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■ Friday-Sunday, Oct. 29-31 — For adults, more than 25 businesses in downtown Royal Oak will offer large sales to celebrate a Ghastly Weekend.

Then on Halloween, more than 2,000 families are expected for the annual Spooktacular trick-or-treating event that takes place downtown from 1-3 p.m.

Restaurants and stores will offer treats to kids, and there will be live music and other activities.

■ 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31 — *Halloween Madness* is a musical about fun-loving creatures who live in a castle with their servants as pets. Wear a costume! At the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, Northville, (248) 8833.

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■ Oxford — Midnight Mutation at Upland Hills Farms, 481 Lake George Road, (248) 628-1611, \$10, 8 p.m. to midnight, Friday and Saturday through Oct. 30.

■ Pontiac — The Realm of Darkness, 79 South Glenwood, Pontiac, 7:30 p.m. til "late" through Sunday, Oct. 31, \$17 adults, \$10 kids, (248) 338-0029, www.therealmofdarknesshaunt.com.

■ Sterling Heights — Chamber of Horrors, Freedom Hill, Metro Parkway at Van Dyke. Tickets \$16 and \$13 for kids, through Sunday, Oct. 31, beginning at 7:30 p.m. (586) 268-5100.

■ Utica — Terrortown at Four Bears Water Park, 3000 Auburn Road, (586) 739-5860 or (586) 739-5863. Tickets \$12 for adults and \$10 for kids, begins at 7 p.m. through Sunday, Oct. 31.

■ Plymouth — Estate of the Damned, 13001 Eckles Road, east of I-275 between Plymouth and Schoolcraft, beginning at 7 p.m. (734) 453-8407. Tickets \$10 adults and \$8 for kids.

■ Farmington — Haunted Winery, 31505 Grand River, 7-10 p.m. through Saturday, Oct. 30. Tickets \$8, \$4 for kids under 52 inches or shorter, (248) 477-8833.

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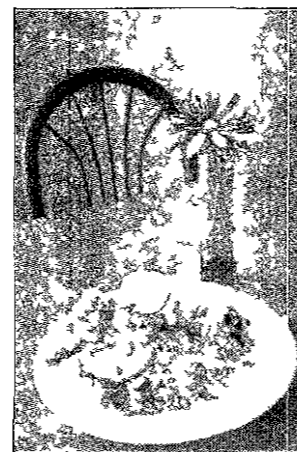
BY ELEANOR HEALD
 CORRESPONDENT

New subdivisions, condos and office buildings along Haggerty Road in West Bloomfield appealed to owner Karen Davis as an ideal location for her restaurant

Korn's Art on the Grille is a family affair Korn was Davis' childhood nickname Her 25-year-old son, Steven, is chef, and her 19-year-old daughter is restaurant manager

Karen created Korn's after a 30-year familiarity with the restaurant business as a partner in South Lyon Hotel and her own catering operation (which she now runs through the restaurant) Experience allowed her to be different mixing a little funky with serious art - both in the kitchen and on the brightly colored walls of her restaurant, where icicle holiday lights are intentional year-round "We just didn't forget to take them down last year," she said

Korn is both a gallery for local artists and a fun place to eat Wall art comes from area high school and college students When one work is sold, another that fits the space gets hung on a terra cotta, spring green or butter yellow wall



Tequila-Lime Chicken is a tasty and colorful specialty of the house

AVOIDING A DANGER

Korn's sports an unbelievably large menu for a spot with 60 seats in both booths and at tables

Attempting to be all things to all people can be a danger in the restaurant business Korn's has successfully avoided this, and Chef Steven takes it all in stride

When Korn's opened a year ago, it did not jump on the low-carb craze "We noticed," said Chef Steven, "that people were ordering without bread So we began offering sandwiches and burgers in lettuce wraps as well as conventional bread or buns"

The same menu is offered at lunch and dinner Choices range from sandwiches to the popular Build Your Own 1/2 pound Black Angus Beef Korn's Burger at \$6 served with lettuce, tomato, onion and seasoned potato wedges An additional 12 items can be added at 49 cents each or three for 99 cents

EMPHASIS

In the Shades of Green department Korn's Classic salad is a fresh greens mix with sun-dried cranberries, chopped walnuts, red onions, crumbled bleu cheese and mandarin oranges topped with a fresh-grilled chicken breast with housemade raspberry vinaigrette

Art On The Grille is decorated with art works from local artists and kids The work is for sale

Kettle Creations include Tomato Bisque, Soup of the Day or Korn's Chili Any cup of soup can be added to a main dish order for 99 cents

Korn's devotes nearly an entire page of its menu to South of the Border Chimichangas and enchiladas (three per order) are among the most popular Tacos can turn vegetarian with crumbled seasoned tofu as a substitute for ground beef Grilled flour tortilla quesadillas with a cheddar-jack cheese blend tomato and scallions have a choice of eight fillings Spinach and Artichoke with Chicken is the most popular

From the main dishes, a diner can opt for one of the three most ordered Eggplant Parmesan Fresh Lake Perch or Tequila-Lime Chicken which Chef Steven flames for added flavor Baby Back Ribs (half slab \$11 and whole \$17) can be sauced with Mesquite, Honey-Lime, Bourbon, Fire Hot Spicy or Original BBQ Try Jammun Languani jam-packed with bacon, chicken, mushrooms, tomatoes and onions tossed with a cheddar cream sauce Not exactly Italian, but it sets Korn's apart

Chef Steven, who has no formal culinary education, began working at Appeteezer in Milford at age 15, then moved on to catering with his mother He worked a season in the kitchen at a Caribbean resort where he said he "mastered essential skills working with chefs from around the world"

Art on the walls, art on the grill and in many dishes at the delightfully funky Korn's is worth a drive from anywhere in this area



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It's a family affair Brother and sister Steven Davis and Jaime Davis, and mom Karen Davis at Korn's Art On The Grille

KORN'S ART ON THE GRILLE

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