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# Bill would allow schools to run elections



BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

State Rep John Stewart, R-Plymouth Township, got an earful from Plymouth-Canton school officials about the financial burden that will be incurred as a result of the new election law passed by legislators – including Stewart – that forces school districts to hand over control of their elections to municipal clerks

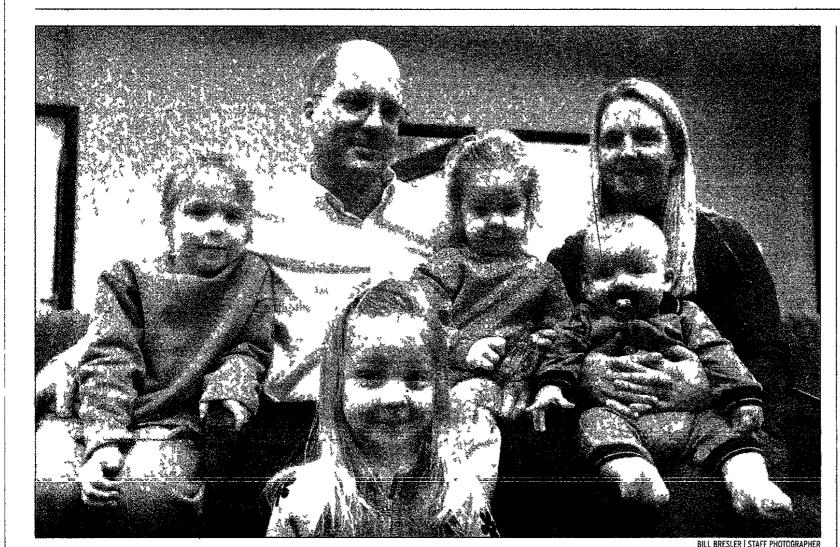
In what has turned out to be a worst-case scenario, the cost of the Plymouth-Canton school board election on May 3 will increase dramatically because of the legislation In previous years, when the district conducted its own election, the tab was in the \$15,000 range With the clerks in the boundaries of the school district conducting the election – Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Northville

Township, Salem Township and Superior Township – the cost is being estimated at \$150,000

In January, Stewart said he'd be "the first legislator to introduce legislation" to amend the new state law to bring election costs more in line On March 8, Stewart made good on that promise by introducing legislation which allows school boards to conduct their own elections in the designated months of February, May, August or November

"I want to put the authors and

PLEASE SEE SCHOOLS, A5





Friends of the Penn get a tour of The Civic Theater, the Farmington movie house run by the City of Farmington Friends of the Penn considers the City of Plymouth running the Penn Theatre as one of the options for saving the downtown landmark

# Penn avoids

Friends push forward in effort to save theater

#### BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

Wally and Jenny Gibson, who met at an American Red Cross blood drive in October 1992 married two years later and are raising Allison, 6 Kayla, 4, Jenna, 3 and Noah, 5 months

# Love, American (Red Cross) style

Blood proves thicker than juice for Plymouth couple BY BRAD KADRICH Staff Writer

Wally Gibson has watched family members perform a number of jobs where they "give back' to their communities His mother is a nurse, his

brother a cop Others in the

family are teachers Gibson, on the other hand, is a pension specialist for a Farmington Hills company He loves his job, but

"It's sort of lacking in terms of giving something back," said Gibson, who lives in Plymouth with his wife, Jenny, and their four children So I do this ' "This" is donating blood, something Gibson does every chance he gets, and something he's done often enough to have passed the three-gallon mark with the American Red Cross He started donating when he was in college at Eastern

PLEASE SEE BLOOD, A4

### Penn Theatre owner Pat Tortora said he and coowner Chris Knight recently received an offer that would have meant the demise of the 64-year-old one-screen moviehouse

"The offer was just under \$1 3 million and it would have been the wrecking ball,' Tortora told nearly 200 people Sunday night at the Plymouth Historical Museum

After hearing the news, some in the crowd gasped They were there to support the Friends of the Penn, a preservationist group that wants to buy, renovate and transform the theater into a community center

"That's why we didn't have more conversations with them," said Tortora "When we started investigating his plans, it called for demolition We didn't make a counter offer, which pretty much explained we weren't interested in selling"

#### PLEASE SEE PENN, A5

# Plymouth native gets a slice of Penniman Deli

BY TONY BRUSCATO STAFF WRITER

The Penniman Deli in downtown Plymouth has closed its door But, presumably, not for good

Plymouth native Julie Baechler said she hopes soon to close the deal to purchase the deli from a trio of co-owners who closed it Friday

"I'm looking to buy it this week," said Baechler

"I'm not sure when we can re-open it, but depending how it goes with the city, I m hoping that it will only be weeks

"I haven't thought about any

changes," she said "There will be some aesthetic changes, but the menu will probably be somewhat similar to what was there before

Jim Sullivan, who has owned the Penniman Deh with partners Gary Rothermel and Ed Ura since April 2004, said there were a few factors in his group closing the establishment

"Business wasn't very good, at all," said Sullivan "Winter is generally slower in downtown Plymouth, but the numbers weren t up to what we had hoped they would be

"Downtown, during the summertime with the outdoor

patio and cafe, was just fine," he said "Running a restaurant is a lot of work, so we're going to put our energies into other endeavors "

For Baechler, a Spanish teacher who also owns a motorcycle dealership in Ypsilanti, owning a restaurant is an curiosity she's had for several years

"I've always had an interest in the food and restaurant business, but no opportunity to pursue it," she said "We will do some catering and party planning I'm really excited about it"

Baechler said her sister, Amy Tortora, will be a partner Tracy Boucher will add her knowledge of hotel and restaurant management to the mix

Like Sullivan, who worked at the Penniman Deli as a teenager before owning it 18 years later, Baechler said she remembers the good ol' days at the deli

"My friends and I would go to the doll house next door and then to the Penniman Deh before calling it a Saturday afternoon," Baechler said "I remember the hot dogs, they were awesome"

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The now former ownership team at Penniman Deli (from left) Jim Sullivan, Kathy Sullivan, Gary Rothermel and Ed Ura, shown here at last year's grand opening, sold the business less than a year after purchasing it

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### Spring renewal

The Plymouth Community Arts Council hosts the first 'Spring Renewal," a special evening for couples, from 7-9 p m Friday, April 1

The evening includes appetizers, desserts and beverages, wellness strategies and nutritional tips from Betty Maliska at First Fitness, 10-minute couples massage plus tips to use at home from certified massage therapist Rachel McKolay, rejuvenating hand treatment for men and women from Crista Bekker of Clearly You, mens fitness instruction from Paul Seymour of The Blitz, mini-makeovers for men and women from Salon Awesome, treats compliments of Bennigan's, prizes and giveaways

Proceeds will pay for shipping care packages to tsunami victims Tickets cost \$15 per couple in advance, \$17 at the door Tickets can be purchased at Clearly You, 261 S Main, Bennigan's and The Blitz

For reservations or more information, call (734) 453-7475 or (734) 414-0609

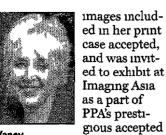
### Korea exhibit

Helen Yancy of Helen Yancy Art and Photography in Plymouth, has created four award-winning images that were chosen for display at the Imaging Asia 2005 convention ın Daegu, Korea, March 21-27

By special invitation of the South Korean government, Yancy's prints will make an appearance at Asias definitive showcase of imaging technology, services and products, hosted by Professional Photographers of Korea

The images already received honors in Professional Photographers of America's International Print Competition, where Yancy earned PPA Photographer of the Year for having all four

**Refinishing** 



Yancy

As part of a display that honors the results of PPA's worldwide competition, Yancy's images will lend credibility and prestige to the first regional photography competition of the Asian Pacific Rim, which will take place at the convention Yancy's work will also help to promote the art of photography on an international scale, as it will be viewed and studied by thousands of Asia's best professional photographers

collection

In addition, Yancy will be a featured speaker at this convention because of her work, and her experiences teaching all over the US and other countries

### Bunny pictures

Youngsters hoping to get their picture taken with the Easter Bunny are going to get their chance, courtesy the Plymouth A M Rotary Club

The club sponsors photos with the Easter Bunny from noon to 3 p m March 19-20 at Westchester Square Mall in downtown Plymouth Cost for the photos is \$5

For more information, call the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, (734) 453-1540

### Library series

The third program in the four-part series, 'Taking Life in Stride @ Plymouth District Library, 'takes place from 7-9 p m Wednesday, March 30

The program, Mind, Body and Spirit Age and Emotion will be conducted by Dr Susan Maixner, assistant professor of

March 31, 2005

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Floor Models of Amish

#### Geriatric Psychiatry of the University of Michigan Health Center and Karyn Schoen, M SW, geriatric social worker, Ann Arbor Veteran's Administration

The program, designed for men and women over the age of 50, will address the differences between "feeling blue," grieving and clinical depression and where to get accurate diagnosis and treatment Program registration is requested and can be made by calling the library at (734) 453-0750, press 4

### **Good Friday** Concert

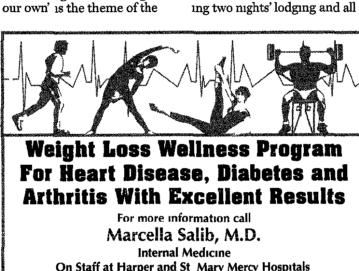
As a part of its popular concert series, the music ministry of the Plymouth First United Methodist Church presents the Schubert Mass in G Major and the Mozart Piano Concerto in A Major at 7 30 p m Friday, March 25

The lyrical Schubert Mass features an ensemble of 50 voices, an orchestra of 22 musicians, and guest soloists Pianist Clinton Smith, graduate student at University of Michigan's School of Music, will perform the three movements of the Mozart Piano Concerto in A Major

Throughout the year, the concert series presents local artists, nationally known ensembles, and international solo concert artists for the enjoyment of music lovers in the southeastern Michigan locale The much sought after venue, with its superb acoustics, is located at 45201 N Territorial in Plymouth For directions visit www.pfumc.org Admission to the concert is free, presented as a musical tribute in honor of Holy Week

### Thriving, surviving

volunteer "Thriving and surviving on The fee for the event, includ-





### **Gymnastic honors**

The Level 6 team from Eurostars Gymnastics in Plymouth brought home the first-place trophy from the recent Arnold Gymnastic Challenge in Columbus, Ohio The event drew more than 2,000 gymnasts Brittany Granowicz won first place in her age division with an all-around score of 36 950 Nicole Pilmer (36 275) placed second, Brooke Granowicz (36 175) was third and Erica Kosmalski (35 075) secured a fourth-place finish 35 All four girls pictured here with coaches Tania and peter Gueorgulev practice at Eurostars Gymnastics and reside in Canton

fourth-annual retreat for widowed men and women of all ages offered by Widowed Friends April 22-24 at the St John Golf & Conference Center

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Gilbert, a psychologist special-

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speakers include Marilyn

tual director the Rev Dick

Mevissen, and Ron Gries, a

widower author and hospice

meals, 1s \$130-\$150 Registration must be received by April 18 Call Fran at (248) 851-4031 or Sue at (248) 851-4508

### Patterson hours

State Sen Bruce Patterson's district director will hold the first official office hours of 2005 for all Northville community residents, and any other interested constituents of state Senate District 7, from 11 a m -1 p m Monday, March 21 at the Northville Community Library

Pattersons district includes Plymouth, Canton and Northville The Northville Community Library is located at 212 W Cady in Northville

Constituents who think they might stop by are asked to call Patterson's Lansing office, (517) 373-7350

### Museum events

The Plymouth Historical Museum marks 160 years since the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln with a program, "April 14, 1865" at 7:30 p m Thursday, April 14

Historians will share stories of that fateful day during the presentation at the museum, located at Main and Church in downtown Plymouth

■ Weldon Petz speaks about ' The Bıg Bands of the 1940s" during a presentation Thursday, May 5 Petz played with the Jimmy Dorsey Band and his own Tommy Weldon Band and Orchestra during World War II

The program is part of a series leading up to the 60th anniversary of VE Day, May 8, 2005 The museum and the Yankee Air force will co-host a fund-raiser Saturday, May 7, to celebrate VE Day at the Plymouth Historical Museum Visit

www.plymouthistory.org.or call (734) 455-8940 for details

### Gallery walk

ARTFeast 1s a new gallery walk that not only features galleries in downtown Plymouth, but also a few off-site locations, as well

The event takes place May 13-15 with more than 20 participating locations in and around downtown Plymouth

It will feature art, music and food

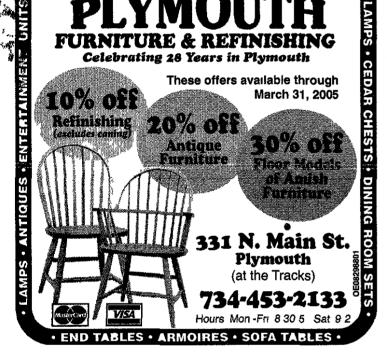
The first-time event includes galleries and shops in downtown Plymouth, and will also feature the new Glassworks studio, the Plymouth Community Arts Council gallery and the Village Potters Guild Artists will be present for the Friday, May 13 opening from 6-9 p m , some artists will be available for the entire weekend

The event runs 6-9 p m Friday, May 13, 10 a m -6 p m Saturday, May 14, and noon-5 p m Sunday, May 15

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# **Back to basics**

## Chiropractor emphasizes balance for total health

BY MAUREEN JOHNSTON NORTHVILLE RECORD STAFF WRITER

Christy Abbott knows a bit about the strain a body at work endures

In her former profession as a waitress, Abbott spent all day lugging entree plates, balancing drink trays and hustling on foot

That's part of the reason she and her husband, Dr Bill Abbott, targeted three dozen local restaurant workers with the first mailing from their new chiropractic clinic, Optimize Your Health Chiropractic

The couple opened their doors at 150 Mary Alexander Court Feb 7 Their goal and philosophy "health from the inside out

'From the minute people walk in the door, I want them to think different,' Bill Abbott said "Not, 'this is just another chiropractor Our mission, our goal is making people think differently about their health

In North America, people tend to consider health the -absence of symptoms, he said Remedies come in a bottle or pill rather than an examination of the cause

Its not 'normal' to be less than perfectly healthy,' he said Not sleeping at night, not having friends, living without beliefs is not 'normal,' said Abbott, who at one time practiced in Plymouth

### **TOWARD BALANCE**

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ing an adjustment, people waiting for their appointment might pick up on something, he said

The Canadian-born Abbott spent six weeks transforming the former retail space now including a deep-seating reception area, an adjustment area bordered by low walls, as well as private X-ray and conference rooms

Abbott pointed to the logo he selected to portray his business, Leonardo daVinci's body in balance Abbott said he recognizes the interaction of spiritual, mental, physical and emotional well-being

"We re more of a wellness healthcare chiropractor than symptom relief, he said If you have a backache, for example, that's a starting point for scrutiny, he said

There's a deeper cause to diagnose and treat," Abbott said "We want to promote long-term wellness, long-term health, what they can do better m their life - posture, nutrition, ergonomics in how they do their job, their household chores

"We want to integrate a healthy balance in their life, to round everything together for true health not just treat a problem

### **AN ALTERNATIVE**

The couple's son, 15-monthold Will is a regular visitor to the clinic, and one of its healthy success stories, Abbott said Since his first adjustment 10 minutes after his birth, Will has



PHOTO BY JOHN HEIDER | NORTHVILLE RECORD

Chiropractor Dr Bill Abbott adjusts the spine of his wife Christy, in their new Mary Alexander Court office

never had an earache or an illness, the dad said

'We're just too used to being spoon-fed as a society,' he said There are other options Not just, 'take a painkiller' It's about looking deeper and wondering, 'why am I always tired and achy"

The chiropractor selected Northville in part due to their church connections in Plymouth - they are members at Our Lady of Good Counsel and residence in Novi Abbott said the community reminded him of the atmosphere in which he was raised

"I m used to everyone know-

ing everyone, he said I m used to that small-town feeling'

Aside from the chinics initial mailing, Abbott said he hopes word of his practice will spread by referral

We want people to come to us by knowing us," he said 'We're going to try to be an integral part of the communi-

ty The clinic determines fees on a per-patient basis, Abbott said, depending on insurance cover-

Restaurant workers who take the chiropractor up on his new patient offer may be eligible for reduced rates

# garner broadcasting awards

Students

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Five WSDP staff members received awards at High School and College Competition at the , Michigan Association of Broadcasters' Great Lakes Broadcasting Conference

The MAB Foundation presented the awards during the conference luncheon Tuesday Broadcasters from throughout the state attended the luncheon

WSDP staffers earned one first-place award and a pair of second-place honors at the luncheon Salem High School senior Kurt Edelbrock took first place in the Best Promotional Announcement category, Salem High School senior Ryan Alloway took second-place honors in the same category

Salem High School juniors Bryan Kelly and Emily Hulscher and Canton High School junior Scott Decker earned second-place honors in the Best Sports Public Service Announcement category

"The work these students have done stands up with the best in the state,' said station manager Bill Keith 'Their work would also hold its own among professional broadcast-

The MAB Foundation is dedicated to promoting, supporting and enhancing the broadcast industry for the good of all Michigan citizens through education, research, public service, historical preservation, information dissemination and a commitment to diversity in all aspects of the broadcast industry

WSDP is owned and operated by Plymouth-Canton Community Schools The station is staffed by students at Salem, Plymouth and Canton High Schools and is celebrating 33 years of serving the Plymouth and Canton communities More information is available on-line at www.881TheEscape.com



# Home Chores Network finds contractors for seniors

#### BY DAVE VARGA STAFF WRITER

Senior citizens who need some work done around the house may pick up a newspaper or the yellow pages before hiring someone But how do they know who to trust?

Jack Kucharczyk and Bill Ansara think they have the answer They've started the Home Chores Network a non

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The Home Chores Network is creating a group of people or companies that will do home chores like grocery delivery, house cleaning, home improvement, yard work, appliance repair and personal care Contractors will have their backgrounds checked by the police and the Better Business Bureau while busi ness references will be

checked the organizers say The network will negotiate

and son to operate, is hoping the service will especially help seniors who still live in their own home Children, grandchildren or others who look out for seniors might also want to use the Home Chores Network knowing that the prices and background checks are set, Ansara said People are careful 'because of all the stuff you hear about seniors getting taken advantage of he said

For now, the network -

bers who come through the doors They've also enlisted the efforts of Wayne County officials, such as Kevin Kelley, director of senior services and veteran affairs I m encouraging them as a nonprofit

Home Chores hopes to be connected to the state-funded Senior Alliance, which provides Meals on Wheels or congregate meals for seniors This is kind of a natural extension, I

think, of trying to meet the needs of seniors. Kelley said

Once the program is up and running, Kucharczyk said, it'll offer a one-stop site for seniors or their children

"We ll be able to have the senior call one number and then we ll take care of all their needs,' Ansara said

For more information call (734) 525 1700 or e mail at HomeChore@aol com



Artist John Knopf shows Charles Vink (left) and David Van Dyke how to play his handmade mountain duicimers which will be for sale at Saturday's band booster arts and crafts show at Canton High School Standing behind them are Amy Markey (left) on the bass clarinet and Christina Van Dyke on the bassoon, the girls will perform a duet at the craft show

# Band boosters eye craft show to support music programs

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters turn to arts and crafts this weekend to try to raise money to support band programs at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park

The boosters host their annual Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble from 9 a m -5 p m Saturday at Canton High School

Among the items available Handmade mountain dulcimers from artist John Knopf, who will also perform Knopf is among some 90 crafters and artists exhibiting their work at the show

Of course, it wouldn't be a band booster program without bands, so entertainment will be provided by musical groups from the area.

Among them are the West Middle School Dream Team, PCEP choirs and various instrumental music ensembles from the Plymouth-Canton band program

"We feel we are putting on a unique and fun-filled event in support of our music programs,' said boosters' spokeswoman Diane Van Dyke

Crafts available for sale include homemade pens,

soaps, furniture, quilts, ceramics, handbags, stained glass and jewelry Lunch and snacks, as well as homemade baked goods, will be available for purchase

Admission is \$2 Canton High School is located at 4817 Canton Center Directions to the show can be found at www.pcmb.net/artcraft

The Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters is a nonprofit organization that supports both the day band and marching band programs at the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park through fund-raising efforts

### **BLOOD**

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Michigan University, took a break after graduating, then returned to it after the events of 9/11

Hes been doing it ever since, usually now at the American Red Cross Donor Center on Five Mile in Livonia

I went into the professional arena, which I m proud of," said Gibson "The blood supply in southeastern Michigan always seems to be so low

### SO HAPPY TOGETHER

Donating blood has given Gibson the sense of accomplishment he sought, but it also gave him something else A wife and family Gibson met his wife, Jenny, during a blood drive at EMU in October 1992

Gibson lined up, as usual, to give his pint By the time Gibson had finished donating, his blood may have belonged to the American Red Cross But his heart belonged to Jenny And it has ever since

The couple met that fateful October night when Jenny was volunteering and Wally came in to donate blood Jenny was supposed to be serving juice and cookies, and apparently wasn t doing it to the satisfaction of the volunteer coordinator, who began criticizing her publicly Wally jumped to Jenny's

defense, helped her dish out the goodies, then took her to dinner The rest, as they say, is history

'She was yelling that I wasn't doing anything, and Wally jumped up and started throwing cookies and juice at everyone," recalled Jenny, who two years later married her hero 'It cracked me up I thought it was hilarious' The couple had belonged to the same campus organiza-

tion, Alpha Phi Omega, though they'd never really met That night at the blood



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE

Wally Gibson of Plymouth donates plasma at the Red Cross office in Livonia Diane Dore, R N, attends to both Gibson and the pheresis machinery

drive, Wally saw an opportunity to "finally get a word in," and took the chance

### **'REST IS HISTORY'**

"It was literally love at first sight, at least for me,' Wally said 'As soon as the opportunity arose, I jumped in, introduced myself and the rest is history

The couple went to dinner that night and two years later - Oct 15, 1994 - they were married Jenny continued volunteering at the blood drives while she was in college, but hasn't done so in awhile Instead, she focuses on the couples four children, 6-year-old Allison, 3-year-old Jenna, 4-year-old Kayla and 5-month-old Noah

The last few times he donated, rather than doing the simple traditional donation, Gibson has undergone 👦 pheresis, a special kind of blood donation by which specific components (platelets, plasma or white blood cells) can be collected

Red Cross officials say pheresis donations are able to help more people than the regular donations A "regular" pint of blood provides red cells, plasma and onesixth of a unit of platelets According to Diane Dore of Livonia, a registered nurse with the American Red Cross, pheresis provides up to two

### **GIVING BLOOD**

To give blood donors must be 17 years old or older weigh at least 110 pounds and be in general good health Donors wishing to give blood to the American Red Cross can do so at the Livonia Blood Donor Center 36650 Five Mile in Livonia The center is open 1-7 p m Monday-Thursday, 9 a m to 3 pm Friday, and 8 a m to 2 pm Saturday Walk-ins are welcome call (800) **GIVE-LIFE** for appointments The American Red Cross bloodmobile also makes local appearances, among them

March 20 – St Valentine Catholic Church, 25881 Dow in Redford 8 am to 2 pm 🔒 March 25 – St Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church, 555 S Lilley in Canton, 8 am to6pm

full units of platelets "If potential recipients can get transfusions from one donor, it lowers the risk of transfusion rejection," Dore said

"It's far more helpful to people

The blood donations stopped for Wally after col lege, until the terrorists attacked the United States on 9/11 The events of the day made Wally realize, as corny as it may sound, how much he wanted to help "Every pint of blood could potentially save three people's lives," Gibson said 'I wanted to do something that's important"

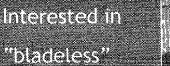


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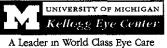


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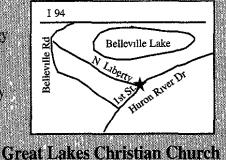
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Tortora said the plan called for a three-story structure that would have included a bar/restaurant on the first floor, office space on the second and, depending on the demand, residential on the third He would have relocated his company to the building, and it would have been 100 percent occupied from the beginning, said Tortora

Jennifer Philpot-Munson of Friends of the Penn met with Knight last week She found out there are options, but time isn t on their side

He said they weren't interested in selling the building that they would like to work with us, said Philpot Munson 'Some of the options included a 100-year lease that would maintain it as a community center There's also an option of

negotiating a lease with an option to buy

We ve got to raise funds and have a viable business plan so they will take us seriously, she said

Knight and Tortora bought the building last year, reportedly for just under \$1 million

Friends of the Penn want to return the theater to its glory days by providing inexpensive entertainment, childrens entertainment during the day, with classic and second-run movies at night

Friends of the Penn has begun fund raising, thus far receiving \$100 in donations on its Web site and \$245 collected at Sundays meeting However, that s not anywhere near the financial needs to save the Penn

Prayush Saraswat, fundraising chairman, said it will take \$40,000 to get the effort off the ground

Phase 2 will be the biggest chunk of money," Saraswat said "Rough estimates are

\$1 5 to \$2 million

If we don t have enough revenue stream to cover the costs on an annual basis, we will need to find a way to aug ment that cost, he said of Phase 3

Members of the group visit ed the Farmington Civic Theater, which was bought by the city in 1999

We shudder to think what would have happened to our downtown, to the downtown merchants and the Downtown Development Authority if you had sucked out 65,000 people (annually) from downtown, said Bill Richards Farmington's assistant city manager

That s a tremendous amount of foot traffic that supports restaurants and businesses downtown

Maura Cady of Plymouth 1s ready for the fight to save historic buildings She was involved in the failed attempts to rescue the old Hudsons building in down-



Laura Barnes of Plymouth membership director from the Michigan Theater, talks at the Friends of the Penn meeting about what it takes to sell memberships

town Detroit from the wrecking ball

I love old buildings, and the Penn is beautiful from the outside,' said Cady, who has lived in Plymouth for 20 years They just go to my heart

Information on volunteer opportunities and financial dona tions to Friends of the Penn can be found on the Web at www friendsoft hepenn org

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### DEATHS

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Jonathan Alex Stone 63 of Bluffton SC died March 9 Ursula C Wills 90, died March 7

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### SCHOOLS

proponents of the election consolidation law on notice, up front, so they start to get comfortable with the idea, said Stewart "I don t know if there's support, but it's common sense

I hope it will stand on its merit he said, so that on May 3rd or 4th they will look to the Stewart bill and begin some activity on this

storm almost occurred in the May Plymouth-Canton Schools Board of Education election

'What if no person challenged (incumbent board member) Tom Wysocki? said Stewart He would have gone through an election uncontested, and we would have gone through an election process that would have easily cost three to four times as much

Plymouth Canton Schools elections clerk Elizabeth Adams approves of the pro posed change

I think it's important that we have control of our own elections not only because of the cost but because the elec tions affect our district resi dents and students, said

Canton Township Clerk

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three sets of poll workers expected to be a light voter torate - Bennett said she will hire only one group of poll workers to save money

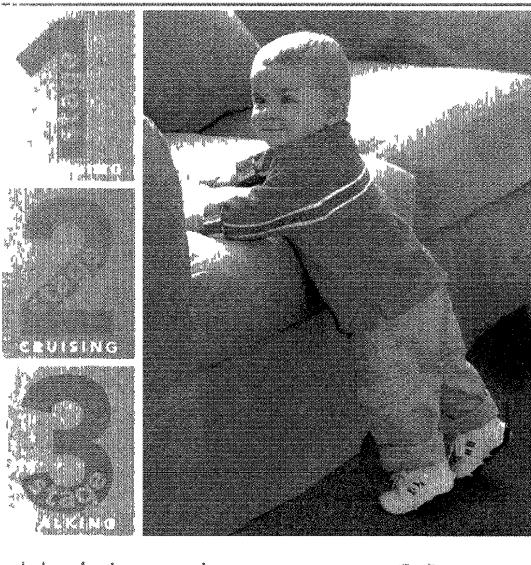
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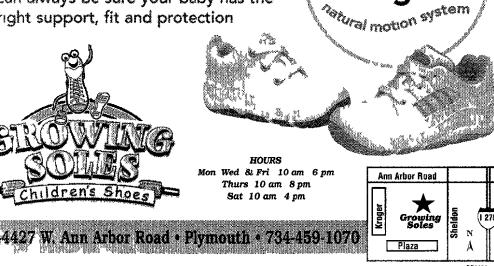
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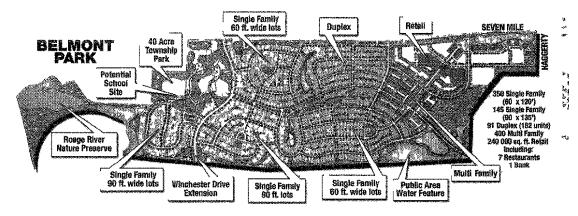
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# Developer unveils plans for hospital

BY DAVID AGUILAR NORTHVILLE RECORD EDITOR

Last week, Northville Township officials publicly raked through a development plan that within five to 10 years would transform the abandoned Northville Psychiatric Hospital into a sprawling 415-acre residential and commercial-retail location

Board members, planning commissioners and township consultants, along with about 150 local residents, heard for the first time Bloomfield Hillsbased Real Estate Interests proposal for the site

The development partnership has until June to close on the \$55 million state owned property

'I think it was a good over sight of what REI's intentions are," said Mark Abbo, township supervisor "But I think we have a lot of work to do The devil is in the details

As proposed, the developer would partner with Schostak, Inc and transform what they call an environmentally-challenged site into a gateway community named "Belmont Park

The proposed community, anchored at the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads, would feature 1,100 residential dwellings, 240,000 square feet of commercial-retail space, seven restaurants and a bank

The proposal would connect Six and Seven Mile roads via Winchester Drive Currently Winchester ends at the property's southern property line Jon Weaver, a partner with

Jon Weaver, a partner with Real Estate Interests said his group has outlined a plan con sistent with townships con-

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cerns

He said Belmont Park would feature unique neighborhoods, pedestrian-friendly shopping and a needed gateway for the townships eastern entrance

Weaver said the site is riddled with environmental cleanup challenges, including underground tunnels, medical waste, asbestos contamination and 1 million square feet of buildings awaiting demolition

Its a piece of property that needs to be redeveloped," Weaver said, adding his group has worked hard to develop a plan reflecting Northville's unique charm, without detracting from nearby downtown Northville's delicate, small town existence I'd like to express my heart-felt desire to work with the township,' Weaver said

### EARLY REACTION

Township officials expressed both satisfaction and concern with the proposal submitted two weeks ago

"This was a start, a good start, Abbo said 'It was important for us to listen and ask questions I m pleased the issues are on the table'

While the residential-based plan is a departure from the one submitted by Real Estate Interests two years ago — a plan featuring nearly 1 million square feet of commercialretail space — township officials expressed early concerns about Belmont Park s overall density, site access and the absence of senior housing and an office park

The townships vision for the site, outlined within a planned unit development concept yet to be formally approved by the board of trustees, calls for a residential-based plan anchored at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads by a wooded area

The developer's plan features a water feature, six high-end restaurants and a bank

The township's plan also features senior housing, a municipal park, a new elementary school and about 80,000 square feet of "neighborhoodretail '

Weaver said seniors and empty nesters would feel at home within Belmont Park's assorted townhouses, duplexes and condominiums He reiterated the development partnerships assertion that stagnant demand for office space along the Interstate 275 corridor make impractical the task of adding to the current supply

Weaver said the proposal's planned 240,000 square feet of commercial-retail would complement the type of retail currently offered by downtown Northville

He said 40 acres would also be donated to the township as part of the deal and would allow for a new elementary school west of the proposed extension of Winchester Drive

Township officials expressed concern about the land donation, claiming the proposed school location's proximity to the Michigan State Police gun range and the parceling of the land itself is flawed

Some township officials said they preferred the land donation in one 40-acre ration

As proposed, the developer would adjoin 23 donated acres to 17 acres the township already owns near the state police station and reserve another 17 acres of woodlands near the sites eastern border, abutting the state-owned Hawthorn Center



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# Audit reveals costly lack of oversight at Northville Psychiatric

BY DAVID AGUILAR NORTHVILLE RECORD

Sloppy bookkeeping by former Northville Psychiatric Hospital employees and inappropriate access to state-owned resources may have cost Michigan taxpayers hundreds of thousands of dollars before the facility closed two years ago

An auditor general report released Feb 18 claims former hospital employees were allowed inappropriate access to taxpayer-paid credit cards, on-site gasoline pumps and facility accounting records while failing to properly inventory state-owned equipment, monitor vendor billing practices and account for hospital medications

It also claims hospital officials extended — without proper oversight — a \$1 86 million electrical project billed to the state through fiscal year 2003-04 that included significant hospital wiring and rewiring, along with new voicemail, paging and weather alarm systems

Originally, the state approved spending only \$482,234

The report, conducted June-November 2003, also details a laundry list of other faulty practices Among the report's findings

Hospital officials regularly did not seek competitive bids for on-site work.

A vendor was overpaid \$16,446 for hourly labor performed at a rate higher than one previously agreed

A vendor was paid at least \$114,430 for hourly labor without proper documentation

In one instance, hospital officials approved a \$308 vendor payment for work done for another of the vendor's customers

Hospital officials paid \$18 725 to one vendor without verifying goods and services

### had been received

For 84 monitored expenditures, hospital officials filed a necessary purchase order only 43 percent of the time

■ Hospital employees failed to properly inventory all stateowned property and equipment worth more than \$5,000 following notice of the facility's closing The failure resulted in damaged equipment, loss and unaccounted for state-owned property, including an improperly documented \$1.96 million negative adjustment in September 2001

Hospital pharmacy staff did not properly document about \$5 1 million worth of medications purchased between 2000-02, nor did they properly inspect medication deliveries between 2000-03

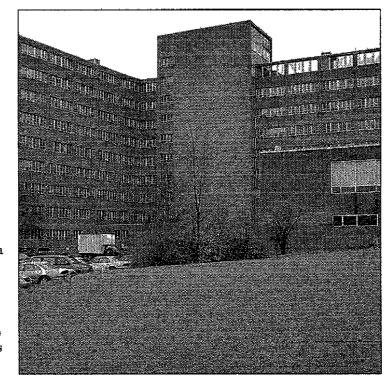
All this is according to the 43-page report Conducted as a standard practice following the closure of a state-operated facility, it lists numerous 'concerns,' reaches 13 findings and offers 23 agency recommendations

Poor record keeping prevented auditor general officials from specifying exactly how much money was lost or how many state-owned resources were lost or misappropriated, the report concluded

### REACTION

"Obviously, the audit points out some things that concern us," said TJ Bucholz, communications director for the Department of Community Health, the state agency responsible for overseeing Michigan's seven state-operated medical facilities

"This addit has been a wakeup call for us Its caused us to re-evaluate the way we do certain things Anytime there is unaccounted for equipment and unaccounted for dollars, that is certainly a concern He said the report findings, while troubling, occurred during



The Northville Regional Psychiatric Hospital is on Seven Mile Road

the waning days of Gov John Engler's tenure and should not reflect poorly on Gov Jennifer Granholm Bucholz said he has no idea how the former Northville hospital went so far astray "I don t know how it happened," he said "It baffles us"

He said the report has prompted internal Department of Community Health changes, including the appointment of an administrator responsible for overseeing the agency's statewide facilities "We've gone back and looked

### at our spending,' Bucholz said "I can guarantee you won't see another audit report like that" WHO PAYS?

Bucholz said to date no former or current state employee has been disciplined or fired due to the report's findings, despite allegations former Northville hospital employees had inappropriate access to procurement cards and each of the 73 procurement purchases tested by the auditor general failed to meet one or more necessary guidelines and procedures

During a two-year period ending September 2002, hospital officials used procurement cards to make purchases totaling \$1 02 million, according to the report

The report also concludes the State of Michigan lost about \$320 000 worth of fed eral Medicaid reimbursements in 2002 03 because hospital officials did not properly document electricity, water, sewer and steam services it provided to the nearby state-run Hawthorn Center

Michigan taxpayers facing escalating gasoline prices may have also paid twice for hospital employees who had inappropriate and unmonitored access to on-site fuel pumps "Northville Psychiatric

Hospital could not ensure that the gasoline and diesel fuel it purchased and dispensed was used for official state busi-

ness," according to the report Furthermore, the reported concluded, \$49,000 worth of gasoline was double-billed to the state's general fund because of poor bookkeeping

Bucholz said procurement cards are not as easily accessible as they once were and more stringent Department of Community Health oversight procedures are now in place at each of the state's other medical facilities

"Action speaks louder than words," he said "We are concerned and committed to solving these problems" View the report online at www audgen mi gov

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The second lecture in the series features Danny Foster, who drove the unlimited hydroplane Miss Peps-V to victory in the 1947 Gold Cup race – bringing the cup back to Detroit During 1947 while racing Miss Peps-V, Foster also won the President's Cup, the National Sweepstakes Trophy, the Auerbach Trophy, the Maple Leaf Trophy, the Imperial Gold Cup and the Detroit Memorial Trophy

Miss Peps-V was also awarded a trophy by the Mexican government Between 1946 and 1965, Foster raced for such notable Detroiters as the Dossin Brothers, Horace Dodge, Jr, Joe Schoenith, and Jack Schafer He will be talking about his experiences and showing films of some of the races

Each of the following presentations also start at 2 p m and are free with paid admission to the Dossin Great Lakes Museum Call (313) 297-8366

for more information Saturday, April 16, 2005 –

Schoolcraft board incumbents run unopposed

Incumbent Schoolcraft College trustees Philip Cascade, Patricia Watson and Gregory Stempien will run unopposed in the May 3 board election

Watson and Stempien are running for re-election to six-year terms

Cascade, who was appointed to complete the term of Richard DeVries, is running to fill the remaining four years of the six-year term DeVries was murdered in June 2004 Deadline for nominating petitions was March 7

The seven-member governing board holds regularly scheduled monthly meetings as well as special meetings as necessary There is no compensation for these elected positions

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## **OUR VIEWS** Area teams supplying lots of March Madness

Spring is the time for eternal hope and what better event than March Madness to usher it in? Whether it's tier one programs or those holding Cinderella hopes, college basketball teams this time of year strive for the ultimate reward and memories of playing on the greatest stage of all

Michigan will again be represented on all counts Michigan State's men's team will continue its postseason streak, MSU's women's team has moved onto new heights as a No 1 seed and, closer to home, Oakland University's men's team has navigated onto uncharted waters

Despite the route to the NCAA's Big Dance, what makes the next three weeks so exciting is that all the teams that have punched their tickets have an equal opportunity to succeed Previous slates are wiped clean and it's play until you lose

Cinderella stories are the talk of any ball, and in the leading role this year will be head coach Greg Kampe's Golden Grizzlies Their grit and determination after starting the season 0-7 proved that even the unlikeliest of goals is attainable

This is the first time for OU to be mentioned alongside the elite — schools like Duke, North Carolina, Connecticut, UCLA and Oklahoma State that bleed basketball - but not the first time with the odds stacked against them The Golden Grizzlies defied the odds and had a Cinderella moment of their own just last week when they put together an improbable run to win their own conference tournament That victory came courtesy of a 3-point basket by senior Pierre Dukes as time was running down

It was another reminder that spring and March Madness make it very enjoyable to be a college athlete, a college student, or just a college basketball fanatic

# Prep stars earn titles with work, dedication

### Hail, champions!

Congratulations to the many talented high school teams throughout our Observer & Eccentric communities who earned state championship crowns in ice hockey, swimming, competitive cheer and gymnastics last weekend

Being a student-athlete is hard work. So for the hours of training, practice and attention to academics, we salute our hometown teams for their awesome accomplishments this season

In boys hockey, the Catholic League flexed its muscle in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 with state titles being won by Redford Catholic Central (eighth state championship, including six in the last seven years), Birmingham Brother Rice and Orchard Lake St Mary's, respectively

Birmingham Brother Rice's season had a fairy tale ending when senior defenseman Eric Hill scored the first goal of his career in a 4-3 overtime victory for the Warriors It was Rice's first championship since 1992 and

### **Shopping Plymouth**

In response to the issue of shopping in downtown Plymouth, I read with great interest Annette Horn's letter about the issue of business being down among downtown retailers And I have to agree with the editors about business being a two-way street in regards to retailers doing their part also

Ms Horn is assuming that the blame is on big box stores, the Internet and cheap goods Let me add one other suggestion maybe it's sometimes the shopping experience itself at those retailers

Let me give you a couple of simple examples of my own shopping experience in downtown Plymouth, keeping in mind that I do try to support the businesses in town before anywhere else

O D Bush Jewelers two holidays ago - I wanted to buy a gold charm for one of my volunteers for the nonprofit group I direct A small piece, but I had been shopping there regularly, so I expected no problem I couldn t get the owner to take my money

I was told it would be a wait since it was the holidays and said I was more than willing to do so Couldn't get him to order the charm for me If it had been a more expensive piece, I m sure it would have been no problem This is from a place I had purchased platinum earrings and a diamond necklace for my mother Imagine how a new customer from out of town would have felt Jinae's - during the summer art festival I saw a mother leaving with her very upset and crying 4-year-old Seems the little girl had to go to the bathroom and they would not let her use it And this was in front of a lot of people, many probably from out of town Gabriala's - known around town for being less than friendly They seem to live up to that pretty consistently from all the times I, my friends and family have been in there They even tried to charge me full price for an expensive candle last week even after I told her it was clearly marked on sale Without checking, she told me it was not It was and I purchased it for the sale price My mother waited in line for more than 15 minutes just the other day while the employees were either walking around the store or talking She left. Comparis – we used to go there, a lot A couple of times a week, plus carry outs We took a couple to dinner there one night and the waitress actually told us they needed to turn the table over because it was busy And we hadn't been there that long I ve never had that happen anywhere else Another time we waited over 20 minutes before we finally had to practically mug the waitress to get service She didn't realize we were in her section, even though she had walked by numerous times The now-closed Dartmoor - my friend, who owns her own small business in Plymouth, and I frequented the restaurant when they opened to help support the new venture Lunches, dinners, introduced it to many friends During the ice festival we could not get seated even though there were many open tables, we were told they were reserved Just about the whole restaurant Last time we ever went there

thing they can to attract shoppers? Some are But as you can see from the above examples, some clearly aren t

I see one more idea here that needs to be realized if people are to be asked to keep their business downtown Customer service I shop faithfully at stores that have treated me, and those I send there, well Frameworks, Backyard Birds, Specialty Pet Supplies, The Coffee Bean, Parksidé Gallery, the now-closed Plymouth Office Supply and Book Shoppe on the Park, to name a few

For others, I go to Ann Arbor now Unless the retailers do their part on this two-way street, they will continue to lose business It's not all the customers' fault Sandra Suarez Boutin

### Plymouth Township

### Freedom isn't free

I m writing in response to Ann Abdoos (letter) on Feb 24 In the letter, she expresses her desire for world peace and the need for a Department of Peace She included the Web site www.dop-

### Wonderful evening

Friday, March 4, was an evening to remember the first 'Evening of Excellence' extraordinaire at The Village Theatre at Cherry Hill and it was, well, excellent!

From the light and refreshing Master of Ceremonies Dr Jim Ryan (and Terry Wood), to the wonderful strolling dinner, to the great company, to the amazing displays of talent from across our district, to the final touches of champagne and dessert, everything was excellent!

There are so many people I would like to thank, and I am certain to miss someone along the way, so please forgive me if I do First of all, thank you to the Educational Excellence Foundation for conceiving of this wonderful event, and then working so hard to make it happen! Thank you to George Shea, EEF chairperson, Richard Reaume, EEF vice chairperson and Plymouth Township supervisor Carole Kody, EEF executive director and all of the other officers and trustees of the EEF board

Thank you to state Rep Phil LaJoy

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a night that Hill won't soon forget

The Eaglets of St Mary's also shared a dream come true by winning the school's first-ever hockey state title

The young women of Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood were not to be denied on the rink The Cranes took home the girls hockey state championship with a double overtime win over Grosse Pointe South

In the pool, Birmingham Groves dominated and captured its second straight Division 2 state swimming crown Birmingham schools took a clean sweep of the two top spots with Seaholm coming in second

"And we can't forget the Rochester High School cheer team The Falcons are a dynasty in the sport of competitive cheer The team won its ninth Class A state title under head coach Susan Wood

Tri-Farmington took its second straight gymnastics state crown with impressive floor routines, bar and beam work \*Hard work and determination does pay off

Congratulations Shamrocks, Warriors, Eaglets, Cranes, Maples, Falcons and Tri-Farmington on a job well done!

## Welcome spring, don't bash winter

Don't despair just because spring's been slow in coming thus year. Wintry weather also has its benefits

Snow storms topped the list of "Most Romantic Weather Conditions," according to the results of The Weather Ohannel's second "Weather and Romance Survey"

Today is St Patrick's Day, traditionally a time for revelry and for those respondents who ranked spring as most romantic, a time to look forward to warmer weather It'll be here before you know it, along with ball games, barbecues and plenty of time to spend in the great outdoors

Parks and back yards beckon, with gardeners eager to get out and do their thing Spring's arrival means summer's not far behind, just remember that all seasons have their special joys, even the much-maligned winter

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Want to shop on Monday in a few stores? Nah, they aren t open So, as the editor asked, Are retailers doing every-

contract extension

campaign org for more information on the Department of Peace campaign she supports Out of curiosity I went to the Web site and read the bill for this "peace' department and realized that what Ms Abdoo really wants to do is hand over our rights to the United Nations

In the bill, Section 110 Office of Human Rights and Economic Rights, part a. states

"In general, there shall be in the Department an Office of Human Rights and Economic rights, the head of which shall be the assistant secretary for Human Rights and Economic Rights (who) shall carry out these functions in the Department supporting the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights passed by the General Assembly of the United Nations on December 10, 1948"

I then read the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on the UN and found toward the end in Article 29, No 3 it states "These rights and freedoms may in no case be exercised contrary to the purposes and principles of the United Nations'

So, by instituting a Department of Peace, our rights and freedoms would then be decided by the UN Our rights and freedoms under the US Constitution and Declaration of Independence would only matter if they lined up with the purposes and principles of the UN Individualism and national sovereignty would become ideas of the past and the "common good" principle of the UN would rule

I m amazed Ms Abdoo mentions the hor rors of the war in Iraq but fails to mention the horrors under the reign of Saddam Hussein Would she have liked to live under the "peace" of Saddam? The word "peace' sounds great, but let us not be deceived into thinking with it comes freedom

Perhaps what we really need today is a Department of Liberty whose purpose would be to expose the true intent of groups such as the one Ms Abdoo belongs to, and to remind us of the importance of securing the rights granted to us by our Creator

It's only when we remember that "freedom isn't free will the men and women who have served our country be truly honored.

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### QUOTABLE

"It's not a heroic move, it's in respect for the (school) board and the district's financial situation that I decided to handle it this way. If I received a pay raise before we rewarded the people who really do the work, that would send a bad message." - Jim Ryan, Plymouth-Canton schools' superintendent, on why he wouldn't take a pay raise when signing a one-year

and Canton Trustee Todd LaJoy

Thank you so much to the many sponsors of the event including Community Financial, Cold Stone Creamery, TMP Architecture, The Law Offices of Brashear, Tangora, Gallagher, Creighton, & Amann, LLP, Horton Plumbing, McCarthy & Smith Construction Services, UBS Financial Services, the PCEA, Clark Hill Attorneys at law; Health Air, Inc., Michigan Made & More, Harper, Finley & Associates, PC., Wakely Associates, Inc. Architects + Engineers, Neville Financial Group, and the Holiday Market.

But most importantly, thank you to the students for the remarkable show! The P-CEP Orchestra Strings, the West Dream Team, Girls Vocal Ensemble, the Winter Guard, the P-CEP Park Players, the P-CEP Percussion Ensemble, the P-CEP Chamber Choir & Madrigal Singers, the Central Jazz Band, the DuBois Little Theatre Productions and the P-CEP Wind Ensemble, BRAVO' So much talent in a single show, it was almost impossible to believe, each act bringing their 👙 own unique style, genre and flair

I do not speak for the whole Board of Education, but I am pretty sure they all join me in saying once again, 'Thank you" Rich Ham Kucharski

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# **Fairness in journalism on its** Best, brightest try to navigate way to becoming an old idea

coalition of news organizations has proclaimed this to be "sunshine week," a time when we celebrate openness in government (such as it is) and fight to get more of it I've always believed strongly that any government that conducts business in secret is a government to be feared

So it is with a sense of alarm that I bring you some distressing anecdotes from a sunshine front that this year is, at best, partly cloudy

Last month it came out that a regular participant in White House news conferences was a fake reporter (James Guckert) using a false name



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(Jeff Gannon) working for a spurioùs news service (Talon News) that had no circulation nor readership but which was owned by the same guy (Robert Eberle) who also owns a pro-Republican Web site (GOPUSA com)

Gannon/Guckert was outed and ousted after asking such inappropriately softball questions that legitimate reporters started wondering what was going on

More troubling was the news that the Bush administration over the past few years has employed as paid propagandists no less than five "journalists" Two of them wrote syndicated newspaper columns while being paid by the Department of Health and Human Services to promote the administration's "marriage initiatives," while the other three played real newsmen on TV

For real journalists, taking a bribe of this kind would be as unethical as child molesting Yet Armstrong Williams was paid \$240,000 by the Department of Education, and Karen Ryan and Alberto Garcia starred in fake reports about the administration's Medicare prescription drug plan, reports branded illegal 'covert propaganda" by the Government Accountability Office

Now you have to admit that the public relations "spin" mastery of this administration has been far better than any other in living memory Simply dazzling

But there's a much more insidious side to all this Some people in the White House and in right-wing think tanks are now arguing there can be no such thing as empirical, verifiable reality in the news - which means that the idea that there could possibly ever be an objective and accurate free press is a quaintly old-fashioned idea If you believe that, then the implications are clear You can say, or print, whatever you want to, because it doesn't matter

An earlier version of this approach was to assert the mainstream news media are dominated by "liberals ' From there, it isn't much of a logical leap to mount a wholesale challenge to the accuracy of the media Another device is simply to be blatant about it Fox News, which advertises itself as fair and balanced, is making a pretty good living these days by forthrightly slanting its newscasts to favor the conservative side under the wonderfully crafted marketing slogan, "We

people other than as mere targets for manipulation by any means possible? Propaganda, whether sleazy or forthright, is still propaganda And voters who have no way to find out what's really going on - "objective reality" is the fancy term — are unlikely to make thoughtful choices in a democracy

We had such a system in American journalism in the 19th century, when most newspapers were either wholeheartedly Republican or Democratic from the headlines right straight through to the editorial page You read whichever newspaper fit your particular political bias and you considered assertions from the other side nothing more than slander and hes

Of course, what was absent in all this was the notion that there is something profoundly important for fair-minded people - scholars, even journalists — to try as best they can to determine what is true and what is not as an essential part of their professional code Some of this thinking goes back to the turn of the century, when Theodor Mommsen, the great German historian of ancient Greece and Rome, argued history should be "Wie es eigentlich gewesen," that things should be -and could be - described "exactly as they were

As it turned out, economic reality undermined the propagandistic bent to American journalism Newspaper publishers realized the more people that read their paper, the more they could charge for advertising

If their circulation was limited, say, only to the Republicans in town, they couldn't maximize circulation - and maximize profits Thus the origin of the idea that papers should try to be accurate and balanced, at least in their news coverage, while consigning propaganda onto the editorial page as "opinion

This remains the professional standard for honest newspapers and professional reporters, one that this newspaper tries to observe every week

But the world of information is no longer defined by what's printed in the newspaper There's radio, TV and cable More importantly, there is the cascade of stuff - fact, opinion, blog, whatever — delivered through the medium of the Web There are no "gatekeepers' on the Web, editors who make it their professional business to maintain standards of accuracy and fairness Instead, everybody with a computer can be a publisher or a reporter That's a good thing, to the extent that it democratizes the information flow

But it's a bad thing if it pollutes a journalism that we have come to depend on as one that strives for accuracy and fairness We need to know as much of the truth as we can find out about the status of Social Security, for example, not just both parties' propaganda

This nation, and all our communities, will be in far worse shape if we wind up back in the bad old days when people read only what conformed to their biases That's how it was back in the 1850s, and that system polarized the nation so much it ended in the bloodiest war Americans have ever fought, our own Civil War We would do well to avoid another

one of those Phil Power is the

# unknowns crafting energy path

ou're tired after a long work day, headed home to your "castle" You imagine

pulling into the garage, opening your door, flipping on a light, getting a drink out of the fridge and phoning for pizza.

Instead, the garage door opener doesn't work The house is cold, the furnace is out, the switch flips on nothing And the phone has no dial tone DEAD

What's up? Weren't bills paid? Another blackout? Or something worse - a terrorist attack<sup>2</sup>

Power reliability and affordability (natural gas and electricity) issues, and telecommunications (especially wireline



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phone service) require government attention In Michigan, these are reviewed at several levels The Legislature and Michigan's Public Service Commission, an autonomous, A-1 executive branch agency, share oversight

In the Senate, public utilities, alternative energy suppliers and technology initiatives are referred to the

Committee on Technology and Energy I chair that policy committee

In many respects, your life and comfort, and that of your family, friends and neighbors, are highly dependent on decisions reached in this committee and by the MPSC So I'm writing these informational columns

Electricity and natural gas supplies, and other forms of energy, are all too easily taken for granted — despite their finite quantity and the ever-increasing demand for these commodities accessible worldwide

Consequently, for a limited resource, the law of supply and demand drives prices inevitably higher This equation is made more complex by legitimate concerns over our environment

For example, if electricity is to be generated Do we jeopardize clean air by burningcheaper coal, instead of a more costly low sulfur coal? Or

Do we take possibly cataclysmic risks, harnessing nuclear power to heat water, make vapor and spin mammoth turbines? Or

Do we rely on natural gas (a heating commodity itself and vital in chemical research) to create electricity to heat, cool and light our homes and workplaces?

A question is often posed "How do we ensure reliable energy supplies at affordable prices, for dependent consumers located in varied locations?" As you see, the answer is not easy

Over the last century, society chose to look

to government for solutions In turn, government imposed various regulatory measures, processes and restrictions These all brought costs, of course

As the 21st century dawns, many minds, of differing views and philosophies, are reexploring the status quo and applying new theories, employing new technologies The \* decisions reached will affect every job in Michigan, and every job on tomorrow's horizon It is important stuff, and you count on the decision-makers to do their best

During her State of the State address Feb  $8,_4$ Gov Granholm recommended investment in jobs for today and beyond She said educating our residents is vital for our collective prosperity I personally agree with both her propositions Consequently, I look forward to working hard to find solutions on which we all agree

Hydrogen fuel cells hold long-term promise We need to invest in research to advance this technology until it is commercially viable It has environmental as well as economic advantages Moreover, it can greatly " reduce our dependence on foreign fossil fuels" I began such hearings in my Technology and Energy Committee nearly two years ago Things are starting to happen

Likewise, the age of telecommunication is moving extremely fast Less than 10 years ago, xthe best and brightest minds were just beginning to explore the cutting edge of the Internet In fact, when Congress passed the 1996 Telecommunications Act, the word "Internet" appeared only twice in the entire text<sup>†</sup>

Today, we all rely on the Internet daily In our jobs, our homes, across the breadth of our very existence, we count on the 'Net's swiftness to improve communication, zipping, our thoughts across time and space, from one to another If you doubt the importance of technology and telecommunications, just ponder Bill Gates' personal wealth.

Michigan's expiring Telecommunications Act (MTA, 1991, 1995, 2000) is now under review As chairman of the Senate Committee I empanelled our best and brightest minds to help review before we start drafting 2005's version We have their report

Hopefully, we can labor successfully for a successfully for a model piece of legislation to guide our state over, around and through the hazardous unknowns of tomorrow As with energy decisions, I know you count on leadership from those you chose

As your duly elected state senator, I vow to  $\tau$ work collaboratively to ensure the best possible outcomes Thank you for giving me the chance to serve, I promise to do my very best,

State Sen Bruce Patterson R Canton represents the 7th State Senate District

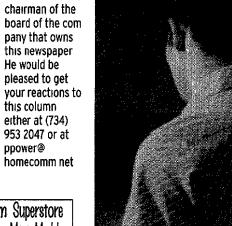
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report, you decide" How droll

Not that repeated bungles by the conventional news media - think of Dan Rather's badly researched and maccurate story about President Bush's service in the Air Force – haven't made the going easier for the ain't-no-such-thing-asaccuracy crowd And newspapers such as The New York Times can be charged with as obvious a leftward editorial slant as Fox News or The Wall Street Journal's editorial page is to the right

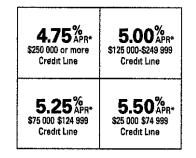
But if there is no such thing as fair, accurate and objective journalism, where will we be as a







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# Act allows law enforcement, schools to compare notes

#### BY ALEX LUNDBERG STAFF WRITER

Districts around the state put together a package of information about what crimes have gone on in their districts to share with the state and local law enforcement The idea is that by keeping tabs and pooling information from various sources, tragedy can be avoided

The state Legislature approved a public act (PA 102) in 1999 calling on school boards to make a report to the state superintendent at least once a year on all student expulsions and the reasons given for each one The deadline for reporting is June 30

Michigan Department of **Education Safe Schools** Consultant Bob Higgins said the act was created as a response to the times

"It was probably a reaction to Columbine and other school shootings," he said The act also made crime

reporting a requirement Under the act, crimes reported must include physical violence, gangrelated activity, illegal possession of controlled substances or intoxicants, trespassing and property crimes like vandalism

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groups

on to the Center for

Free Schools initiative and the

Persistently Dangerous Schools

But the information and

where it ends up is really sec-

"The data collection is a small

part," Hıggıns saıd "The legisla-

enforcement, prosecutors and

counselors to set up a system

for communication and sharing

information So that they know

what's going on with every kid"

PA 102 is an addendum to

Information Policy, which spells out basic communication and

the Statewide School Safety

information sharing rules for

enforcement entities The rules

ensure a reciprocal relationship

for discussions between the two

Whenever an incident hap-

school districts and law

tion requires schools, law

program, to name a few

pens in a school building, the superintendent must report that incident to local law Educational Performance and enforcement agency Information where it is used for Conversely, when a crime a variety of purposes CEPI is occurs within a 1,000-foot the state's database for informaradius of a school building or a tion on school districts and the pupil or staff member is victim repository of all data that gets or perpetrator of a crime, law passed on to the federal governenforcement must contact the ment to show compliance with superintendent No Child Left Behind, the Gun-The policy also calls for coun-

ty prosecuting attorneys to contact a school district regarding any criminal or juvenile court action initiated against a pupil in the school system

Oakland Schools official Carolyn Claerhout said all schools working to comply with reporting requirements are bounded by the federal Family Education Rights and Privacy Act which protects the confidentiality of student records Under the act, parents must give permission before their children's records can be handed out to some other entity

'Quantitative numbers are all right," Claerhout said "You can say that there were 10 larcenies in a given year, but to say Johnny Jones committed five of them? Maybe not. The schools have had to juggle between the two laws'

# Schoolcraft schedules Focus Latin America events

Schoolcraft College is dedicating a year to Latin America Focus Latin America will incorporate Latin culture, history, politics and literature into regular college course work and also in events open to the public

The following are events planned for this spring More events will be scheduled in the fall, culminating in a Fiesta in November

Latin American Film Festival "The House of the Spirits" Noon, 3 and 6 p m Thursday, March 17, Liberal Arts Building Room 200 Free

■ Lecture David Frye, University of Michigan, on "The Myth of the Mestizaje" Noon, Monday, March 28, Liberal Arts Building Room 200 Free

Latin American Film Festival "Frida." Noon, 3 and 6 p m Wednesday, March 30, Liberal Arts Building Room 200 Free

Lecture Deborah Zuccarini, Richard Zuccarini on "Diego Rivera & the Mexican Muralists" 1 30 p m Tuesday, April 5, Liberal Arts Building, Room +@@ **◆□**≉≉©

Leture Rudy Simons, "Haiti After Jean-Bertrand Aristide" 10 a.m Tuesday, April 12, Liberal Arts Building Room 200

Latın American Film Fesitval "Evita," Noon, 3 and 6 p m Thursday, April 14, Liberal Arts Building Room 200 Free

Lecture Sue Satler, "Perspectives on the United States and El Salvador" 11 30 pm Monday, April 18, Liberal Arts Building Room 200

This year, the college is sponsoring a trip to the Yucatan to study Mayan culture The trip is part of a college geography class but is also available to the general public For information on the field trip to Yucatan, call Diane O'Connell at (734)462-4400, ext. 5238

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Some Latin American artifacts including a votive candle, center, a mortar and pestle, left, and a ceramic grater, right







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# Orchids display more than beauty

### BY MARY KLEMIC STAFF WRITER

he seductress waits in her white ensemble while the day fades During the night, she acts to lure certain caped figures

She's called Lady of the Night, and she's just one of the 22,000 species of orchids She "acts" by emitting a heavy perfume scent to draw moths to pollinate the plant

The fascination as well as the beauty of orchids will be on display next week at the Michigan Orchid Society Palm Sunday Show in Livonia (see related item)

"They're very, very interesting,' said Westland resident Frank Omilian, a member of the MOS

There's a huge diversity of plants' Strong and resilient, orchids aren t any more difficult to raise than many popular plants and arent an expensive hobby

Various types of orchids bloom once a year, several times a year, or continuously An orchid blossom may be as small as a mosquito or as big as a dinner plate "There's definitely an orchid for every home,' said Troy resident Joe Peterson, MOS member and publicist They actually are very easy to grow,' said another MOS member, Ann Brunke of Grosse **Pointe Farms** "Evervone can find something they like" Brunke, who with her husband, Dean, writes the organization's newsletter, raises Lady of the Night at their home The white plant gives off the scent around 8 30 or 9 p m, Brunke said



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Frank Omilian stands near one of the orchids he raises phalaenopsis, also called moth orchid because its blooms resemble moths A wide range of orchids will be displayed at the Michigan Orchid Society Palm Sunday Show in Livonia



### **Quilt need repair?**

Linda Rodin, quilt restoration specialist, will discuss How to Repair and Protect Your Old Quilts 7-8 30 p.m Tuesday, March 22 at the **Rochester Hills Museum** at Van Hoosen Farm Rodin will present information on the proper ways to repair and protect quilts in your own home The presentation will last one hour and will



be followed by 30 minutes of open-questions from participants. The presentation will focus on samples from Rodin's personal collection as well as any samples that participants wish to bring with them

Program admission is \$5 per person. Pre-registration is required. You can register at (248) 656-4663 or at the Museum

This presentation is in conjunction with the temporary exhibit, "Quilts from the Hearts." The exhibit will be on display at the Rochester Hills Museum through Aug 6

The Rochester Hills Museum at Van Hoosen Farm is located at 1005 Van Hoosen Road - off of Tienken Road and one mile east of Rochester Road - just one mile north of downtown Rochester For more information and to register for this program, contact the Museum at (248) 656-4663 or visit the Museum's Website at 🖁 www.rochesterhills.org\* For information, call (248) 608-8261

"Plants want to be pollinated, she said 'They have a lot of tricks to catch the pollinator"

For example, some orchids feature a little pouch An insect falls into the pouch, and the only way it can get out is to climb up hairs in the plant, pollinating along the way

PLEASE SEE ORCHIDS, B2



Bulbophyllum ovalifolium is another small orchid

### PALM SUNDAY ORCHID SHOW

What The Michigan Orchid Society Palm Sunday Show featuring more than 20 exhibits of orchids, 800 plants on display. educational information, and vendors of plants and supplies

When Saturday-Sunday, March 19-20 Open during mall hours Saturday and to 5 pm Sunday

Where Laurel Park Place, Six Mile and Newburgh, just east of I-275-Six Mile interchange in Livonia Admission Free

### Tree, shrub sale

The Oakland **Conservation District is** now taking orders in its annual Spring Tree and Shrub Seedling and Transplant Sale.

More than 50 species of trees and shrubs are available for ordering, including Michigan State University Agricultural Department ash tree alternatives

Ordering deadline is Monday, March 28 Pickup will be Friday-Saturday, April 29-30, at Springfield Oaks County Park in Davisburg

For a catalog and order form, call the Oakland **Conservation District at** (248) 673-4496, or email oaklandcd@sbcglobal net

### Hang it all

"If you're getting ready to hang a picture on your hall wall or elsewhere in your home, here's a thing or two you should know," say Morris and James Carey, writing for AP 🔍 Weekly Features

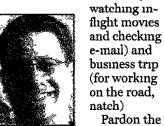
"Before you hammer a, picture-hook nail into the wall, heat it with a match; it II go in easier and wont cause plaster to chip or crack

"And before you hang anything, turn it over and put stick-on rubber bumpers on each corner or a bead of silicone caulk "

# New notebook, camcorder let you travel light

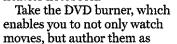
s it possible to fall in love with a notebook? I adore almost everything about the Funtsu LifeBook P7010D, which I took on a recent family

vacation (for



Pardon the hackneyed old Tech phrase, but Savvv the LifeBook is a marvel of modern engi-Rick neering It's Broida amazingly compact,

measuring 10 25 by 8 75 by 1 25 inches and weighing just 3 4 pounds Nevertheless, it offers nearly all the features of bigger, heavier notebooks



802 11 W1-F1, a 10 6-inch wideformat screen (perfect for movies), and a fingerprint sensor for foolproof security It even has slots for Compact Flash, Memory Stick and Secure Digital memory cards I've seen notebooks twice the size that lacked those handy

well The LifeBook also sports

features I particularly liked the LifeBooks battery life I found I could watch a full-length DVD movie and still have enough juice to work for a couple of hours

Plus, you can swap out the DVD drive for a second internal battery (\$129), which Fujitsu says will give you nearly 10 hours of operation

Despite its ultra-compact design, the LifeBook manages to incorporate a full size keyboard

Well, almost — the comma, period and question mark keys are all half-size, which can make touch typing a little awkward

That's my sole complaint with this otherwise fantastic notebook

Some eyesight-challenged users may not like the smalltsh screen, but the tradeoff is a machine that's actually usable in those cramped coach-class seats

The LifeBook 7010D starts at \$1,399 (after a \$100 mail-in rebate), though the model I tested sells for \$1,999

My other traveling companion during these recent trips was Sony's DER-HC32 MiniDV Handycam camcorder

Another marvel of miniaturization, the HC32 weighs about a pound, but still manages to pack in loads of desirable features

For instance, most of its controls are accessed via its 2 5inch LCD touchscreen, which cuts down on the "button clutter' common to other cam

It also includes a 20x optical zoom, automatic image stabilization, Sony's coveted NightShot mode and Webcam

docking station, which provides easyaccess power, PC, and TV connections In short,

capabilities

nice touch

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Another

the HC32 is an impressive compact camcorder

- but I have reservations about recommending it

For one thing, it won't take the place of your digital camera Still-photo capture is limited to

a paltry 0 3 megapixels What's more, Sony's instruction manual barely covers transferring video to your PC Novice users are likely to find themselves confused and frustrated

But if you can overlook these

relatively minor wrinkles, you'll find the \$499 99 HC32 a welcome addition to your carry-on bag

Funtsu's svelte LifeBook

traveling companion,

enabling you to work,

watch movies, and more

P7010 makes an excellent

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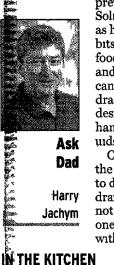
# Prevention can head off many plumbing woes

lumbing problems are certainly no fun Most plumbing problems are clogged rains, and these are usually preventable

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### as hair, soap bits, paper food scraps and grease can clog a drain, usually designed to handle hquids Of course, the best way to deal with drain clogs is not to have one to begin with

Solids, such Keep the basket in the strainer This will help keep food particles out of the drain Put food slowly through the disposal Keep a stream of cold water running while food is being ground and avoid stringy foods such as onion peels

the trap

Running very hot water through the drain every day will also help keep the system running smooth

easy and convenient to just

down the drain, it can quickly

become solid when it cools in

pour the hot liquid grease

### IN THE BATHROOM

Just as in the kitchen, avoid getting debris down the lavatory (the proper name for the bathroom sink) drain This is even more difficult in the bathroom

Since this sink is used pri-

marily for grooming, soap and hair are, by nature commonly being washed into the drain A pop-up stopper mechanism compounds debris catching Bathtubs get the same debris, but at least the drampipe is a bit larger

Water closets (proper name for toilet) clogs are almost always caused by too much tissue being flushed Occasionally a towel, washcloth, or toy (or who knows what especially if you have little ones in the house) will also make their way into the toilet trap

### LAUNDRY

The most common drain stopper in the laundry is lint from the washing machine You can prevent lint discharge by simply placing some sort of filter, either commercially made or cut from the toe of an

old pair of women's hose, over the end of the discharge hose It will keep much of the lint from the drain

### WHEN THE DRAIN CLOGS

It seems like no matter how careful you may be, sooner or later you'll end up with a clog Whenever we get one here at the house, my first attack is with a good old-fashioned "plumber's friend," the plunger If there isn't any water in the

fixture, run enough (preferably hot water) to cover the plunger

Block any openings that are part of the drain system, such as overflows or an adjacent sink with wet cloths

Forcefully work the plunger up and down to loosen the clog You'll need a closet plunger for the sink If the plunger doesn't do the trick, you may need to remove the "P" trap This is the Pshaped pipe that leads from the sink to the main drain Traps are easily removed by unscrewing the slip couplings (the large nuts at each end of the trap), and removing the trap from the drain lines (Have something handy to catch the water and plan to get wet)

If removing the trap is difficult or the clog is in a toilet, purchase or rent an auger snake

This tool is a flexible spring with a corkscrew-like tip that will dislodge the clog A closet auger is a type of snake designed especially for toilets

A word about chemical drain cleaners - these can be dangerous to the user and the drain system

follow the package directions to the letter Chemical cleaners are most effective when there is at least some flow through the drain

My wife, Karen, successfully pours a mixture of baking soda and hot vinegar in the drains to open them when they are running sluggish

There are many other drain problems and solutions too numerous to include in this column Look for more advice in later issues

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad a col umn on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@ comcast net or in care of Ken Abramczyk Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 805 E Maple

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Use them with caution and

### **Antiques market**

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The eighth annual Michigan's Home and Garden Antiques Market will take place Friday Sunday March 18 20 at the Southfield Municipal Complex 26000 Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10 1/2 Mile)

Avoid putting grease in the

drain Though it may seem

Hours are 2.9 pm Friday 10 am to 6 pm Saturday noon to 5 pm Sunday Admission is \$7 regular \$6 with any ads or listings of the event free for ages 12 and under

One paid admission is good for all three days of the show Antiques and accessories for the home the garden and personal adorn ment from a select group of more than 75 exhibitors will be featured at the show and sale

On line show information is available at www.antignet.com/M&M

### Faux stained glass

**HOME CALENDAR** 

Learn an interesting craft that simu lates stained glass in a class Tuesday March 22 at The Community House 380 S Bates in Birmingham Fee is \$22 plus a \$15 materials fee payable to instructors Bob and Esther Kerr

To register or for more information call The Community House at (248) 644 5832 or visit www.community house com

In the class you will transfer patterns to an 8 by 10 inch styrene apply liq uid (simulated) leading and learn to apply blend and comb your colors to produce a beautiful glass art painting Hand quilting

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In the class enjoy the history of quit ing learn about fabric care and selec tion and discover different patterns and designs all while you complete a small wall hanging or crib quilt Simple curtain

Haberman Fabrics 905 S Main in Royal Oak offers home decor classes for different sewing skill levels Call (248) 541 0010 e mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com.or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com In Simple Curtain (Tuesdays March 29 to April 12) beginners will learn how to sew as they dress up living room

### **ORCHIDS** FROM PAGE B1

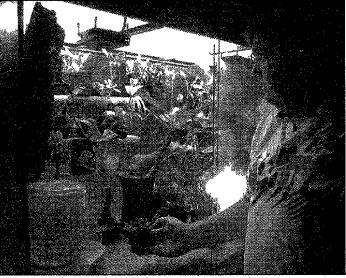
The Brunkes recently built a greenhouse for their orchids, but one isn't needed Orchids can be raised in a home in a variety of conditions, those that tolerate cooler temperatures can be grown outside

Some growers specialize, raising orchids only on window sills, for example, Omilian said Some orchids that hang in

the air can be grown on wire coat hangers, Brunke said Special pots for orchids also

In Area

With 10 Yards or More



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Frank Omilian of Westland grows some of his orchids in an orchidarium in his basement. Orchids can be raised anywhere around a home. You can find an orchid to match the conditions of your home

prevent frustration 'Always buy an orchid with flowers or buds That way you see the flowers at least

Peterson raises more than 400 species at his home He has a greenhouse that was given to him as a gift

I have the first orchid I ever bought," Peterson said He bought this 19 years

forest floors Terrestrials secure themselves in soil or sand

### AT THE SHOW

At the Palm Sunday show, trophies are awarded in different classes including amateur exhibits, seedling blooming for the first time, art exhibits, and orchids in use

The President's Trophy is

have been grown in the home

- on a window sill, in a sun

porch, in a Wardian case or under lights - and not in a

"The show is nice,' said

Brunke, who started raising orchids in 1995 after volun-

teering at Belle Isle "They

"You see a large variety of

have growers from other

orchids that normally you

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### **GARDEN CALENDAR**

#### New in the garden

The Village Gardeneers of Lathrup Village will host a special spring gardening program. What s New in the Garden for 2005 6 30 8 30 p m Monday March 21 in the Community Room of the Lathrup Village Municipal Building 27400 Southfield Road three blocks north of I 696 Admission is free to all Village Gardeneer mem bers Guests are asked to make a \$3 voluntary contribution to help defray costs and ensure the continuance of quality programs For more information call Susan Arneson at (248) 443 1703 evenings and weekends or (313) 202 7842 days

Julia Janiak garden center manager and buyer Goldner Walsh Nursery will present the program It will explore not only new plant material but also trends in ironware pottery and plant ing styles

SOCWA volunteers will staff display tables with information on healthy garden practices rain gardens composting mulching biodiversity and lawn care before the program (6 30 7 p m ) Refreshments and a raffle drawing for garden ing gifts will be featured

### **Exploring spring**

The Community House Garden Club will present Exploring Spring 7 pm Monday March 21 at The Community House 380 S Bates in Birmingham south of Maple (15 Mile) between Southfield Road and Woodward

The public may attend Reservations aren t nec essary A \$5 donation is requested at the door For more information call The Community House at (248) 594 6410 The presentation by Judy Cornellier will include containers for cold weather taking cuttings the Helebore Festival and spring bulbs She will bring green plants and share the signs of spring Take home a pansy Refreshments will be served Cornellier is a lecturer advanced master gar dener herb specialist and staff member of Telly's Greenhouse She is also a charter member of the Troy Garden Club a member of the Herb Society of America

Southern Michigan Unit and chair of the Cranbrook Public Gardens Herb Garden

### Celebrate

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English Gardens will host two events in March at all five stores to celebrate the arrival of spring and the Easter holiday

A Daffodil Giveaway will take place Sunday March 20 Visit one of the stores and receive a complimentary 10 stem bunch of fresh cut daf fodils The stores will be open 10 a m to 5 p m Sunday

An Easter Egg Hunt will take place 1 p m Saturday March 26 The Easter Bunny will visit from noon to 3 p m and be available for photo graphs Children ages 2 to 12 are invited to join the hunt

English Gardens stores are in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851 7506) Royal Oak/Troy (phone (248) 280 9500) Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278 4433) Clinton Township (phone (586) 286 6100) and Eastpointe (phone (586) 771 4200) Gardening courses

Schoolcraft College 18600 Haggerty in Livonia offers gardening courses in its Continuing

### Education department

The schedule includes Landscape Design II Saturdays March 26 to April 9 and Perennial Gardening Wednesdays March 30 to April 13 The instructor is Merritt Wolson a local land scape designer and horticulturist Register by mail fax Web or walk in For more

information call (734) 462 4448 **Gardeners** conference

The Association of Professional Gardeners Annual Meeting and Conference will take place Sunday March 20 at Wojo Greenhouse 2570 Oakwood Road in Ortonville (phone (248) 627 6498) The conference will be an all day pro gram including lunch. Registration will be at 8 a m and the program will run until 3 30 p m For more information visit www associationof professionalgardeners org or call (248) 330 7466 Cost is \$60 for members \$70 for non members The registration form is available at the Web site Topics will include Photography in the Garden and What's New in the Garden This Year The conference will feature a chance to network with professional gardeners and a tour of the facility

### Hardy perennials

Michael Saint owner of Good Earth Landscape and Interior Design Inc. of Clarkston, will speak at a seminar on hardy perennials Sunday March 20 at La Cafe and Java 5815 Dixie Highway in Waterford The program will feature registration 4 30 4 45 p m welcome and introduction 4 45 p.m. slide presentation and lecture 4 50 5 15 pm dinner 5156 pm slide presentation lec ture and question and answer 6 6 30 p m Book sales by Good Earth Landscape and Interior Design Inc. will also be featured

Cost is \$50 by check or money order The semi nar package includes dinner handouts and a gardening book valued at \$2795 One dollar of every sale will be donated to the master gar dener program. Seating is limited to 25 For more information or to register call Saint at (248) 620 7188 or e mail Goodearthlandscapeinc@juno.com Topics to be discussed by Saint include the newest trends in landscape architecture con serving time and resources making invasive plants garden friendly mimicking nature in your back yard tried and true perennials and design

#### tips Healthy lawn care

Learn about proper lawn mowing fertilization and watering from the experts in the free 90 minute Oak Park Healthy Lawn Care Workshop The workshop will take place 7 8 30 p m Monday March 28 at the Oak Park Community Center 14300 Oak Park Blvd To register call the Oak Park Department of Public Works at (248) 691 7497 weekdays or e mail LFDean@aol com The workshop will high light common sense low maintenance lawn care with the environment in mind Gary Eichen, plant health care specialist. Mike s

Tree Surgeons Inc will be the featured speaker Billings Lawn Equipment will have several of the latest lawn mowers and other equipment on dis play Citizen volunteers will help with home

composting and recycling displays beginning at 6 30 p m



The Lenten Rose is gaining in popularity each year

# Perennial group picks winner for 2005

he Perennial Plant Association is a trade association with more than 2,000 members dedicated to the improvement of the herbaceous perennial plant industry The association educates members to enhance the production, promotion and use of perennial plants

> Members are growers, retailers, educators, garden writers and landscapers You can be assured that if you choose Perennial Plant Association winners that are suitable for our zone, they will perform well in your garden One of my

the 2005 winner, the Lenten rose, Helleborus xhy-

bridus, formerly known as helleborus orientalis The plant blooms for many months, sometimes when there is still snow on the ground

I have found that this Hellebore self-seeds quite freely and produce superior flowering and flower colors The little seedlings are small and I usually leave them where the seeds have dropped to give them a little more stability when I put them in their special place in the garden A member of the family

Ranunculaceae, a small genus that contains 15 species native to Europe and Asia, the Lenten rose is an excellent shade perennial that tolerates dry conditions A rainbow of single or double flowers in many colors light up the garden The foliage is interesting in that the leaves are divided into seven to nine segments and look like coarse leathery umbrellas The texture of the foliage is a perfect backdrop for bulbs and other perennials

The Lenten rose is compatible with barrenwort (Epimedium), Wood anemone, (Anemone nemorosa), and liverleaf (Hepatica), all spring flowering beauties Because the flowers hang down as little bells, a hillside above a path where the flowers can be viewed from below is an excellent spot for them

Good drainage is essential and humus rich and fertile garden soil will assure success They grow best in the shade of deciduous trees and, in cooler regions, will grow in a sunnier site

After they become established, \*\* they require only occasional water-w

ing The leaves can become tattered after a long cold winter so they should be cut off as new foliage emerges in the spring Alkaloids in ... the leaves may cause dermatitus so it is necessary to wear gloves when working with these plants A good note deer won't eat the foliage because of these alkaloids

Lenten rose is commercially propagated from seed This hellebore ---doesn't come true from seed Therefore, plants should be observed in flower before selling as a color Established clumps may be divided into single crowns at most times of the year, but the recovery time is slow with division

Be certain about the spot you have chosen for these wonderful plants because established clumps can be left alone for 20 years or more

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



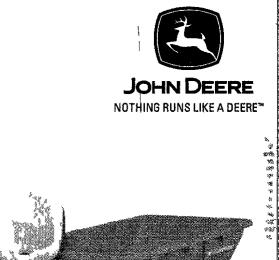
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# Pool & Spa Show set for April 1-3

The Novi Expo Backyard, Pool & Spa Show makes its splash April 1-3 at the Novi Expo Center

"Families are spending more time together at home and backyards can become retreats from the busy world outside,' said Mike Wilbraham, show producer of ShowSpan, Inc The show is sponsored by the Michigan Pool & Spa Association, a member of The Association of Pool & Spa Professionals

At the show, Twiggy, The Water Skiing Squirrel, wearing a life jacket will ride on water skis behind a remote-controlled boat in a custom-made swimming pool Two-man 'grilling buddies, Mad Dog and Merrill, will teach new tips, ideas and recipes for backyard entertainıng

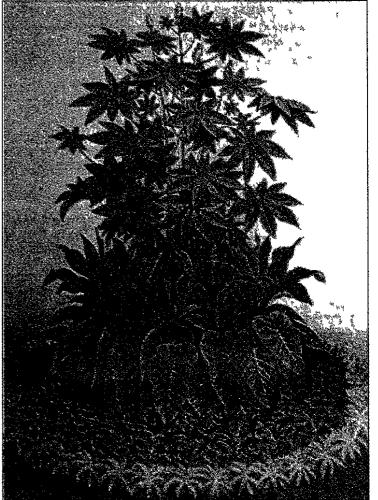
Other features at the show include the Ultimate Backyard with a deck, hot tub and pool and seminars on what homeowners need to know when buying a pool or spa to make a good decision

Tips and advice are available from experts on purchasing, planning, maintenance, safety, exercise, health, financing and landscaping

Exhibits are filled with pool, spa, hot tub and backyard living products and services All the major backyard living categories are available

Novi Expo Center is located at I-96 and Novi Road Show hours are 3-10 p m Friday, April 1, 11 a m to 9 30 p m Saturday, April 2 and 11 a m to 6 p m Sunday April 3 Admission is \$7, \$3 for children 6-14 and children 5 and under admitted free Internet Express Tickets, which include a free parking pass, are offered online Weekday adult admission discount coupons are available at Big Boy On site parking is available for a fee For more information, visit www.NoviPoolShow.com or call (800) 328-6550

### MARKET PLAC



### In the ring

The March newsletter of Old House Gardens in Ann Arbor offers a suggestion for your lawn. Put in a Victorian style island or round bed

Old House Gardens is the only mail-order business in the country devoted to heirloom bulbs. Owner and head gardener Scott Kunst, who started the business in 1993, is a nationally recognized expert

Victorian round pattern beds feature plants of different sizes, arranged in concentric circles A tall plant is in the center, and a low-growing plant is in the outermost ring

An actual pattern bed from 1878 is shown here lt can also be seen at http://www.oldhousegardens.com/victorian.asp

According to the newsletter, you could reproduce it in the middle of your lawn with castor beans in the center ringed (in this order) by cannas, elephant ears, coleus and dusty miller

Other possibilities the newsletter says, include banana, Mexican sunflower, ornamental grasses and potted paim for the tailest plants, hibiscus for medium-tall, four o'clocks gladiolus and Nicotiana langsdorffii for mediumshort, caladium, celosia and geraniums for short, and ageratum, alyssum, alternanthera, golden feverfew, lobelia and petunias for edging Call Old House Gardens at (734) 995-1486, or visit the Web site at www oldhousegardens com

### Submissions

Do you have a special item you d like to showcase in Marketplace on the front of At Home? We d like to feature it!

Send a photo or slide of the piece along with information to Ken Abramczyk At Home editor Observer & Eccentric Newspapers 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia 48150

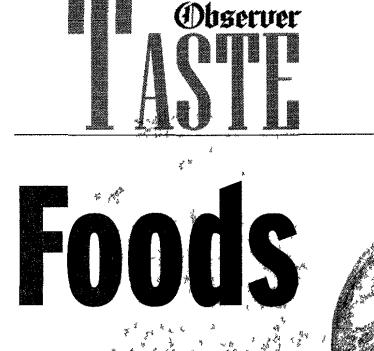


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# Travel to another country at a local ethnic market

### BY KEN ABRAMCZYK STAFF WRITER

With all the technology, air travel and freer trade of produce and prepared foods, the world is a smaller place Todays ethnic markets span the globe from Armenia

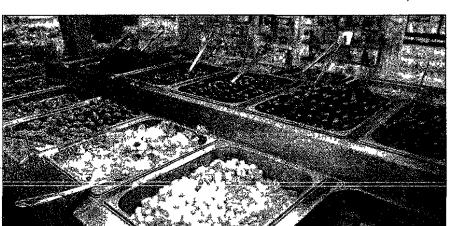
and Brazil to India and Japan Take a short drive and you can find anything from spices for an Arabic shawarma and Sabzi Kookoo ( a mix of parsley, green onions, cilantro, fenugreek, dillweed and garlic) on the coolers shelves at Mediterranean Market in Farmington Hills, while at Patel Brothers in Garden City, frozen foods are among the customer favorites, including Channa Masal (chick peas in curry sauce) and Malai Kofta (creamy cottage cheese dumplings in rich saffron

sauce) Zahı Fakhourı, owner of Mediterranean Market in Farmington Hills, sold the Arabic Town Imports in Oak Park in 2002 and opened Mediterranean Market m Farmington Hills "We cater to Israel, Kussian, Greek, Albanian, Argentina, Brazil Turkish, Mexican, Armenian, India and Pakistan,' Fakhouri said The front counter has Turkish apricots, dried mango

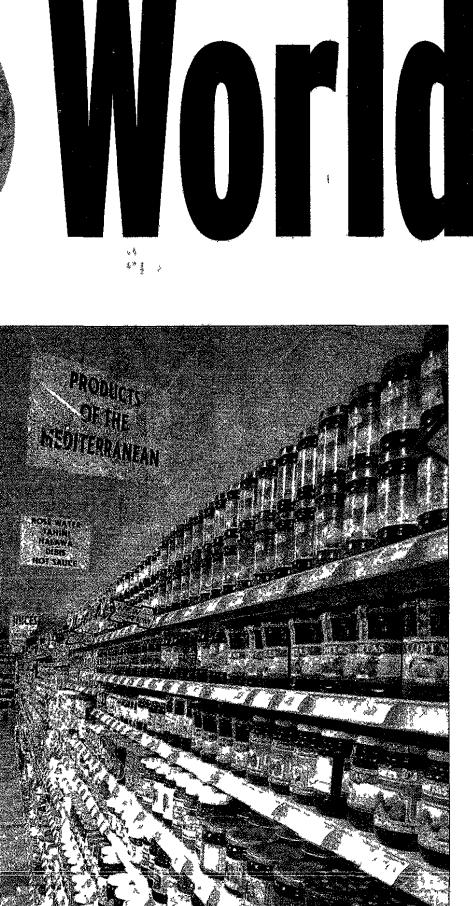


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Mediterranean Market and Bakery owner Zahi Fakhouri and assistant manager Rana Fakhouri stand near the aisles of Mediterranean foods and spices



This food bar at Mediterranean Market and Bakery keeps olives chilled and ready for customers



slices, Majoul dates, Turkish feta cheese, French feta and Bulgarian feta, and Angelino plums and Iraman figs

He explains the different feta cheeses on sale there

The Greek feta cheese is made for salads,' Fakhouri said 'The Bulgarian is really creamy and you can really enjoy it with meals and the French is mild with not too much salt

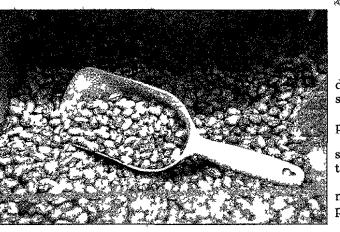
Dried bean section in bulk containers displays hut cri cri, white chickpeas, fava beans and lupine beans There are roasted sesame seeds at \$2 49 a pound, pastas and couscous

Spices include ground anise seed, ground caraway seed, whole fennel and ground fennel Whole cloves, whole car damom and ground foenugreek are all on the shelves

Mixed spices for shawarma are ready, while pickled eggplant sits in jars Grapeseed oil is in abundance The bakery features spinach pies, eggplant pies, chicken pies with curry and onion, Zaatar bread, mini-vegetarian pie, grape leaves, homemade yogurt, rice and lentils, tabouli and hummus Delicious pita bread is also sold

Pastries include Awamat, Emshebak Halabi, baklava (pistachio and walnut) and Namurra

A chilled salad bar has 14 different black and green olives and single grape leaves to make your own Several containers of Sabzi Kookoo (a mix of parsley, green onions, cilantro, fenugreek, dillweed and garlic) line the cooler's shelves



Cranberry beans are just one of dozens of dried beans for sale

Mediterranean Market and Bakery in Farmington Hills features aisles full of foods from Armenia

In Garden City, the Patel Brothers is a busy market on Ford Road The fresh proluce of dudhi, eggplant, karela, guvar, plaintains, turmeric and arvi grace the shelves

and Brazil to Greece and Turkey

Jars of coriander chutney, mint chutney, ginger paste, tamarind chutney, biryani paste and tandoori paste

Boxes of Mataar Paneer (canned peas with cottage cheese and medium hot sauce), Pav Bhan (vegetables mashed in a spice sauce) and Panjabi Choley (a traditional Pajabi delicacy with curried chickpeas in a spicy hot sauce)

Bags of yellow split peas, soya beans, Matter Masoor and Moong Dal (split moong beans without skin) Large bags of coriander seed, chili powder, turmeric powder and dry chilis )

'People can come in here to get everything they want,' said Jayesh Patel  $% \mathcal{T}_{\mathrm{S}}$  . It s mainly Indian and Pakistani 'They sell a lot of rice, beans and flours, he said

Hiren Patel said frozen foods are popular now "We re expanding that to frozen foods and ready meals,' Patel said

Customers will use beans to soak overnight and then create a curry out of them, serving naan (bread) with that dish

While customers are mostly Indian and Pakistani, the clientele is a mix of races and ethnic groups

Frozen foods are among the customer favorites, including Channa Masal (chick peas in curry sauce) and Malai Kofta (creamy cottage cheese dumplings in rich saffron sauce)

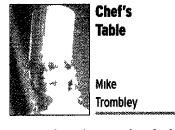
Breads for breakfasts are available in the frozen food section Paneer Tikka Parantha with cottage cheese, Aloo Parantha (Indian bread stuffed with potatoes and spice) and Muli Parantha (Indian bread stuffed with radish and spices)

# Let's make it lamb to help celebrate spring

pring is a great time in Michigan for great food Lamb is one of them Often you may hear the term 'spring lamb' Lamb is a sheep that is less than a year old and it comes to season naturally during the spring months It is associated with Easter and there are several reasons why, which I will leave to the religious scholars.

I will stick with the fun part - the cooking

Lamb cookery can be quit simple Some of the basic steps



you need to take are to buy fresh, not frozen, if possible If you are new to cooking lamb, you should try and stick with the prime cuts of the lamb Reserve the tough parts for stews and braised

See recipes featuring lamb Page B6.

items Try and focus on parts like the leg, which are very versatile, in most cooking procedures The loin (if the bone is removed) is great to stuff or roast and slice It is so tender you have to take care with it and not overcook. This portion does not have a lot of fat in the "meat portion, rather, it is on the outside

This next cut is expensive, but

the rack is always a crowd-pleaser To some cooks, the rack is a mystery, so let's remove some of its mystique It comes right off of the shoulder portion or actually five ribs from the top of the neck vertebra. This rack then extends to the 12th rib From here (as we mentioned earlier) is where the loin portion starts and runs to \*\* the pelvic bone The rack can be sold in a variety of ways, so if you have a good butcher or meat shop, you can ask for what you want Some racks are split in

half, which helps it cook more quickly, and some are whole, in which you may do the classic crown roast that you don't see as often anymore

You may have heard of the term Frenched This is when our nice butcher cuts off all the unwanted fat around the bone and makes a great presentation for the cut If you have the Frenching done, when you roast the lamb, be sure to cover the bones with aluminum foil to prevent it from burning and

leaving you with a poor presentation (I haven't seen those little bone covers in a while, but this . is where these might come in handy to present the cut well)

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Happy cooking and good luck

Mike Trombley is certified executive chef at St John s Golf & Conference Center in Plymouth Township and alsoteaches at Schoolcraft College in Livonia His column appears the third Thursday of the month in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers

### **CHEF TROMBLEY'S RECIPES**

### PAN SEARED LAMB LOIN WITH OLIVE TAPENADE

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1 cup Kalamata olives pit less and chopped 1 teaspoon chopped fresh garlic 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice 2 tablespoons chopped capers 2 tablespoons olive oil 1 pinch of cavenne 1 tablespoon of anchovy

chopped

Mix ingredients in a bowl and served chilled or at room temperature with lamb loin

4 (6 ounces each) defatted lamb loins

1 teaspoon ground corlander seed

1 teaspoon chopped fresh garlic 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice 1 tablespoon chopped fresh basil salt and pepper to taste

Place all ingredients in a bowl and marinate at least one hour, but now more that 3 hours

Heat a heavy gauge skillet or saute pan on high until hot Place a little olive oil in to the pan and place seasoned lamb

loin in to pan and sear all sides Cook until medium rare (about 135°), and let rest for at least 5 to 10 minutes

Slice and serve with tape nade and couscous or other

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### favorite side dish Serves 4

### ANCHO ROASTED SIRLOIN WITH GRILLED PINEAPPLE SALSA

12 each 1/2 ounce lamb loin medailions defatted /« cup ancho powder I teaspoon kosher salt I teaspoon ground black pepper 1 pineapple /2 cup diced red pepper 2 ounces lime juice I tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro 1 tablespoon minced fresh jalapeños 1 teaspoon ground corrander seed 2 ounces extra virgin olive oil

Preheat char-grill, clean the skin off the pineapple and cut into slices to grill Rub ancho powder, salt and pepper on lamb loin and reserve

Grill pineapple on both sides until slightly brown, cool and cut out centers Dice pineapple in to small chunks and add remaining ingredients and reserve

Place lamb medallions on oiled grill and cook med-rare This should only take a minute on each side

Serve with pineapple salsa Can be served with your favorite rice or roasted potato recipe

Recipes courtesy of Mike Trombley cer tified executive chef of St John's Golf

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Vegetarian whole foods cooking classes with macrobiotic chef. Valerie Wilson Learn how to prepare healthy delicious meals for you and your fami ly in a relaxed atmosphere as stu dents get hands on experience preparing the recipes Each class includes discussions on the healthy benefits of the ingredients Upcoming classes scheduled 6.9 p.m. include Soup and Sandwiches on March 23 (fee is \$30) Spring Cooking 2005 a two week series on April 6 and 13 (fee is \$60 or \$30 each class) and a four week beginning series. The next Beginning Series dates are April 4 11 18 25 class fee is \$120 (\$30 each class) Classes are held in Garden City Details of all classes can be found at www.macroval.com Visit the Web site or call (734) 261 2856 for more infor mation

#### BY DANA JACOBI CORRESPONDENT

On a long airline flight last summer, I sat next to the pas tor of a Hungarian church in Connecticut We talked about food for hours, and he boasted that his congregation, blessed with devoted cooks, had even self-published a cookbook

Looking through the copy he later sent me, a recipe for Hungarian Salsa struck mv eye, followed by the thought that around the world, many culmary cultures offer at least one condiment that is a traditional part of their heritage and served as a colorful and highly-flavored partner, working the way a salsa does in Mexican and other Hispanic cuisines

Vietnamese cooks use nuoc cham, the sweet and sour gold en dipping sauce made with fish sauce, vinegar, lime juice and sugar, as frequently as Hispanics serve their salsa It may become mainstay in your kitchen as well, if Southeast Asian food keeps growing in popularity Already, non-Asian chefs have picked up on using it as a dressing for cabbage and on spinach salads

Italians have salsa verde, a piquant combination of aromatic green herbs, garlic, capers and wine vinegar This lean sauce, which is more of a condiment, is spooned over roasted fish or seafood to enlu-



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Hungarian salsa is lecso ('LET-show"), a blend of sauteed sweet peppers and tomatoes simmered with paprika

en it Italians serve it with plain boiled meat, too Cookbooks on classic Italian cooking or the cuisine of northern Italy, or recipe websites, offer several versions, including ones with and without anchovies

Several Eastern European countries have their own salsas" The Hungarian one that caught my eye is leçso ( LET show'), a blend of sauteed sweet peppers and tomatoes simmered with paprika Traditionally made with lard, the one in Hungarian Treasured Recipes uses oil Serbians have awar Also based on sweet peppers, combined with eggplant, this relish uses roasted vegetables Leçso is

mild even sweet tasting when its fresh ingredients are at their peak Ajvar can be mild or full of hot red peppers Both these versions are different, new ways to boost the servings of vegetables in a meal

### LECSÓ

5 medium plum tomatoes (fresh) 1 pound each red and green bell

- peppers 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 small Spanish onion halved
- and cut crosswise into/zinch strips
- 1 tablespoon sweet Hungarian paprika /2 1/2 teaspoon sugar depending

on the tomatoes acidity Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Plunge the tomatoes into a pot of boiling water until their, skins split, 30 to 60 seconds Shp off their skins Cut each tomato lengthwise into quar-ters, and set aside Seed the peppers and cut them into 1/2-1 inch strips, and set them aside. as well

In a deep, medium skillet that has a tight-fitting lid, heat the oil over medium-high heat Sauté the omon until translucent, about 5 minutes Remove from heat and mix in the paprika

Return the pot to the heat." Stir in the peppers, cover tightly, and cook until the peppers soften, about 10 minutes, monitoring the cooking frequently Reduce the heat, if necessary, to avoid burning

Add the tomatoes and sugar. Cook, uncovered, until the fibe. tomatoes are almost broken o down, much of their moisture has evaporated and the peppers are soft but still hold their shape, about 20 minutes Season to taste with salt and pepper Serve warm or at room temperature

Makes 10 servings

Per serving 56 calories, 3 g total fat (0 g saturated fat), 7 g carbohydrate, 1 g protein, 2 g dietary fiber, 5 mg sodium

Dana Jacobi writes for the American Institute for Cancer Research and is the author of The Joy of Soy

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# Bok choy, Chinese egg noodles mix with spicy beef

### BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Among the welcome things that come along to make life easier, count The Quick Recipe cookbook (Boston Common Press, 2003 \$29 95) by the editors of Cooks Illustrated magazine

### BOK CHOY AND CHINESE EGG **NOODLES WITH SPICY BEEF SAUCE**

1 tablespoon vegetable oit One 3 inch cinnamon stick bro ken in half

3 star anise pods 4 medium cloves garlic sliced thin 1 tablespoon minced fresh ginger 1 cup canned low sodium chicken

broth 1 tablespoon Asian chili garlic sauce Salt and ground black pepper <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> pound beef sirloin or rib eve steak halved crosswise each half sliced thin across the grain 1/2 pounds bok choy bottom inch of base discarded washed well and cut crosswise into

% inch pieces 12 ounces fresh Chinese egg noodles

Bring 5 quarts water to a boil in a large pot for cooking the greens and noodles

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Heat the oil in a medium saucepan over medium-high heat until shimmering Add the cinnamon and star anise and cook, stirring often, until the cinnamon begins to unfurl, about 1 minute Add the garlic and ginger and cook until they soften, about 2 minutes Add the broth and chili garlic sauce, reduce the heat to medium-low, and summer until the liquid reduces by half, about 5 minutes Remove and discard the cinnamon stick and star anise and season with salt and pepper to taste Add the beef and summer until the meat is gray around the edges and still slightly pink in the center, 1 minute

Meanwhile add I tablespoon salt and the bok choy to the

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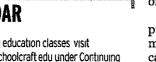
boiling water Cook until the bok choy is almost tender, 2 to 3 minutes Add the noodles, stir to separate them, and cook Ma until both the bok choy and noodles are tender, about 2 minutes longer Reserving <sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup cooking water, drain the noodles and bok choy and return them to the pot Add the sauce and reserved water and cook over medium-low heat, stirring to meld the flavors, about 1 minute Adjust the seasonings k with salt and pepper to taste Serve immediately

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1 tablespoon soy margarine

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/4 cup raw cashews

1 small (ar pimientos

// teaspoon onion powder

/4 teaspoon garlic powder

3 tablespoons cornstarch

Preheat oven to 350ºF On

stove, boil cauliflower until

tender-crisp Drain and place

in an oiled casserole dish Dot

Place cheesy sauce ingredi-

cauliflower Cover and bake for

KUNG PAO TOFU

11/2 teaspoon olive oil

<sup>3</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup sliced green onion

1 small red pepper cut into 2

1/4 cup coarsely shredded car

packed tofu cut into cubes

8 ounces extra firm water

8 ounces fresh snow peas strings removed

1 cup hot vegetable broth

1 teaspoon garlic powder

1 teaspoon sesame oil

/2 cup whole cashews

Brown rice

on the side

½ teaspoon powdered ginger

/s teaspoon hot chili oil (or

1/2 teaspoon cornstarch mixed

In small bowl, combine

a skillet, saute Kung Pao

ingredients in order given

mixture Cook until it thick

and top with cashews Serve

When cooked, pour in the

into 1/2 teaspoon cold water

more if you like)

/4 cup soy sauce

SAUCE

1 cup vegetable broth 8 ounces Shiitake mushrooms

3 cloves garlic

inch strips

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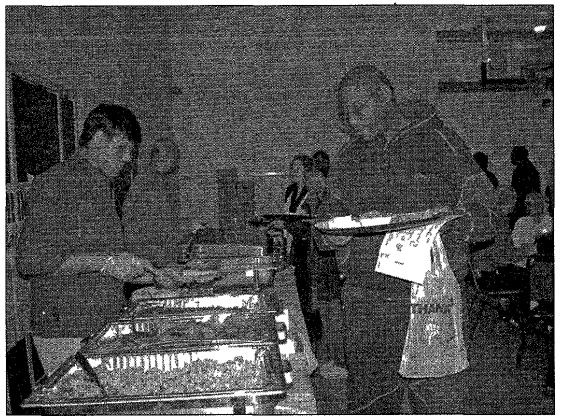
until very smooth Pour over

1/2 teaspoon salt

with the margarine

30 minutes

2 cups water



Sample vegetarian foods at the Great American Meatout noon-4 p m Sunday at the Gerry Kulick Community Center, 1201 Livernois in Ferndale

# Sample foods at Great **American Meatout**

**BY LANA MINI** ſĘ STAFF WRITER

Retired firefighter turned plant-based nutrition advocate Jim Corcoran loves gourmet food

So do the other members of the group Veggies in Motion, based in Oakland County But they also cherish their health and try to eat foods that cause least amount of stress on the planet, Corcoran said

For Corcoran and at least 1,500 other members of Veggies in Motion, the plantbased diet is the best route On Sunday, March 20 the nonprofit organization will host the Great American Meatout, a national event, at the Gerry Kulick Community Center in Ferndale

We want people to learn the health benefits of plantbased nutrition and thats its beneficial to the planet and to alleviate animal suffering, Corcoran said

For \$5, patrons can sample gourmet and casual entrees,

### **GREAT AMERICAN MEATOUT**

What: Vegetarian and vegan food samples lectures, recipes offerings prizes and more When: Noon to 4 p m, Sunday, March 20 Where: Gerry Kulick Community Center 1201 Livernois Ferndale Admission: \$5 for adults, children 12 and under admitted free Hosted by: Veggies in Motion

For more information on the event or for the monthly free e newsletter that offers recipes and information about plant-based meals in restaurants Visit www.veggiesinmotion.org or call (248) 616-9676

think-out-of-the-box and sample more ingredients Exotic vegetables, interesting legumes plus soy-based products like tofu and tempeh He also cooks with seitan, a wheat product that mimics the texture of meat and can be used in stir-fries and other meals (Find it at most natural food stores)

He still eats cheesecake but it's made with vegan cheese He'll eat pasta with meatless balls made derived from soy Chocolate cake 18 dairy-free, stir fries include tofu rather than chicken French toast can be made with flour, soymilk, cinnamon and vanilla For nearly any recipe that calls for animal products, another exists with vegan option replacements Find many online or on www.vegglesinmotion.com

Veggies in Motion hosts regular events throughout metro-Detroit including monthly restaurant outings to help strengthen the resolve for new vegetarians and vegans and those who are curious It also offers cooking demonstrations, sets-up vegetarian and vegan cooking displays at local libraries and distributes monthly free enewsletters to those interested in recipes and current research about health benefits related to vegetarianism

### **MEATOUT RECIPES**

well to coat Arrange the vegetables on the baking sheet Bake until tender about 15 minutes, shaking the pan occasionally Transfer the vegetables to a bowl, toss them with the lemon zest and serve, Makes 4 servings

### TACOS

12 ounces Lightlife Smart Ground or Yves Veggie Ground Round (found in the produce department of many grocery stores) 1 packet taco seasoning 8 ounce can tomato sauce plus one can of water

In a skillet with a little oil add the veggie ground round, taco seasoning, tomato sauce and water Cook over medium heat for 10 minutes or until all liquid has absorbed

Serve in taco shells with any/all of the following optional condiments Diced tomato, shredded lettuce, sliced green onions, sliced black olives, shredded soy cheese, vegan sour cream (Tofutti Sour Supreme is excellent)

### BLUEBERRY COBBLER FILLING

2 tablespoons soy margarine <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> cup sugar 3 tablespoons flour /2 teaspoon cinnamon 4/2 cup blueberries

### BISCUIT TOPPING

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1/2 cups flour 3 tablespoons sugar 1/2 teaspoon baking powder /2 teaspoon salt 3 tablespoons cold soy mar garine ⅔ cup soy milk 1 teaspoon vanilla

Preheat oven to 375°F Rub the two tablespoons of margarine inside a 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> quart baking dish In another bowl mix all filling ingredients in the order listed Pour into baking dish

Mix flour, sugar, baking powder and salt Combine with fingers Add soymilk and vanilla Drop by tablespoons over blueberries Spread lightly with a spatula to cover berries Sprinkle with sugar Bake for 40 minutes or until biscuit topping is browned and berries are bubbling around the sides

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# Serve chutney sauce with ham

Flavors Of America" TV host and cookbook author Chef Jim Coleman and Chef's Choice have created a chutney sauce for ham

### COLEMAN'S CHERRY CHUTNEY

large pear peeled cored and chopped chopped to cups pitted and chopped fresh or frozen cherries cup chopped red onion cup dried golden raisins cup chopped celery 1/2 tablespoons minced garlic a tablespoon minced fresh ginger 2/2 cups light brown sugar 4 cup dry red wine 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon 🕅 teaspoon ground cloves ₩₂ teaspoon ground cardamom teaspoon cayenne pepper Combine the pear, cherries, on, raisins, celery, garlic and ginger in heavy-bottomed nonstick saucepan Stir in brown sugar, and then add wine, cinna-

nion, cloves, cardamom, and cavenne Bring to boil over mediun-high heat Lower the heat and summer, sturring frequently for 30 minutes or until mixture is thick and flavors blended

Cool and place in airtight containers and refrigerate or prepare them as gifts by putting into sterilized jars, cover, and vacuum see as directed by manufactur-

After the ham is cooked, let it Cooling makes the meat firmer and easier to slice

Kerrie Saunders, author of The Vegan Diet as Chronic Disease Prevention

Corcoran went vegetarian 16 years ago — eliminating all animal flesh including chicken and fish Nine years ago he chose the vegan lifestyle and quit dairy, eggs, gelatin and all animal BIproducts

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l tablespoon fresh lemon juice 1 garlic clove minced 2 teaspoons olive oil /2 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest

PEPPERS

and fibrous stalks peeled

1 large red bell pepper seeded

and cut into// inch strips

1 pound asparagus trimmed

Preheat the oven to 375º F In a large bowl combine the asparagus and red bell pepper strips Add lemon juice, oil, salt and minced garlie Toss

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# Novel stir-fry is a fusion of flavor

### BY DANA JACOBI CORRESPONDENT

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Southeast Asian cooking is a fusion of five flavors hot, sour, salty, sweet and pungent In a single dish, Southeast Asian cooks make sure to include a variety of colors and textures, too, adding visual pleasure to the enticing aromas and rich, complex layers of flavor

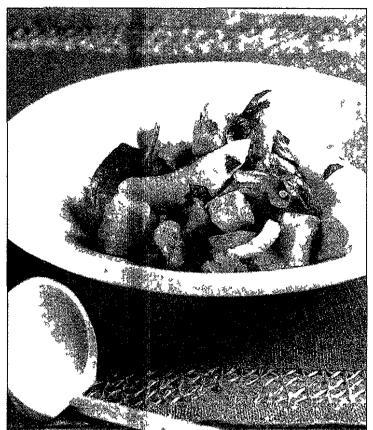
Southeast Asian food also expresses the unique culture of each particular country Vietnamese cuisine, the inspiration for this stur-fry, is the most sophisticated cooking in Southeast Asia, thanks to its legacies of Chinese and French influence

Vietnamese cooking has a distinctive lightness, even in dishes featuring red meat, because it uses a minimal amount of fat Even its most intensely-flavored sauces are refreshingly light

### SWEET POTATO AND PEAR STIR-FRY WITH CHICKEN AND CHILE SAUCE

2 tablespoons reduced sodium soy sauce 1 teaspoon sugar 1 tablespoon mirin sake or dry white wine 1 pound boneless skinless chick en breàst or thigh cut into thin bite sized pieces 2 teaspoons cornstarch 1 cup fat free reduced sodium chicken broth 1 tablespoon Vietnamese or Thai fish sauce or reduced sodi um soy sauce or to taste /4 teaspoon dried red pepper flakes or to taste 2 large sweet potatoes peeled and cut into 1 inch pieces 2 tablespoons canola oil divided 2 large garlic cloves minced 2 tablespoons peeled and minced fresh ginger Pinch of cayenne 1 medium yellow and 1 medium red bell pepper seeded and in bite sized pieces 1 Asian pear peeled cored thinly sliced

cup canned whole water chest nuts drained and sinced 1 bag (6 ounces) baby spinach leaves 3 cups hot cooked brown rice



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Vietnamese cuisine, the inspiration for this stir-fry, is the most sophisticated cooking in Southeast Asia thanks to its legacies of Chinese and French influence

Combine the soy sauce, sugar and mirin in a glass, plastic, or nonreactive metal pan large enough to hold the chicken Add chicken, tossing to coat all sides and marinate for up to 30 minutes at room temperature, or cover and refrigerate for 1 hour or up to 8 hours If chilled, bring chicken to room temperature before beginning to stir-fry

Place the cornstarch in a small bowl or cup Gradually stir or whisk in the broth until com pletely blended Stir in the fish sauce and red pepper flakes Set the sauce aside

In a large pot, add the sweet potatoes with water to cover Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer about 3 minutes or until sweet potatoes are fairly resistant when pierced with a fork Drain them in a colander and set aside Remove chicken from the mari nade and pat it dry with a paper towel Discard the mannade

In a large, heavy pan or wok, heat half the oil over mediumhigh heat Add the garlic, ginger and cayenne and stir fry 30 seconds or until the garlic is golden Add the chicken and stir-fry about 3 to 4 minutes or until just cooked through and the juices run clear Transfer mixture to a bowl

Heat remaining oil in the pan over medium high heat Add sweet potatoes, bell peppers, and water chestnuts Stir fry about 3 minutes or until bell peppers and sweet potatoes are not quite tender Add the chicken mixture pear and spinach Stir fry, stir ring constantly, just until spinach is wilted about 2 to 3 minutes Stir the sauce and add to the pan Cook stirring con stantly, for 2 to 3 minutes or just until the sauce thickens Imme diately remove from heat Serve the stir-fry mixture over the rice Garnish with the cilantro Serve sauce remaining in the pan sepa rately as desired

Makes 6 servings

Per serving 370 calories, 7 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 54 g carbohydrate 24 g protein, 7 g dietary fiber, 754 mg sodium



/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro loosely packed for garnish



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**OLGC mourns loss of beloved coach** 

ave Wilson was easy to find at Our Lady of Good Counsel athletic events the past several years When he wasn't coaching the third-and fourth-grade foot-



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cession stand When he wasn't selling snacks, you could find him keeping the scorebook at basketball games Or stacking up the

spectators' chairs when the game was over Or serving on

ball teams, Wilson was

helping out at the con-

Wright OLGC's facilities committee

Or acting as a line judge at volleyball matches.

Yes. Dave Wilson's contributions to the OLGC youth athletics program were immeas-

urable Which made it that much more difficult for those at the Plymouth parochial school to

Wilson accept when the 42-yearold father of three died March 3 of an apparent heart attack while driving home from work

He left behind Tracy, his wife of 19 years, daughters Kate, 16, and Emily, 12, and son David, 9

HEART OF GOLD

Ask anybody who knew Wilson, and they'll tell you he had a heart of gold It just gave out way, way too soon

"Every time I would see Dave," recalled OLGC football director Mike Nelson, "he would ask me what he could do to help And I mean every time He was sincere and genuine when he asked, too He wasn't just going through the motions

"All of the kids he coached and their parents absolutely loved him He was fair and he made football fun Plus, he knew the sport inside and out Somebody else will coach the fifth-grade football team next season, but no one will be able to replace Dave"

### **KIDS FIRST**

It was all about the kids for Dave Wilson When 47 youngsters tried out for the fourth-grade football team this past fall, Wilson knew each player's time on the field would be diminished unless he did something about it

So he did - even if it meant extra work for him

'Dave decided to split the kids into two teams with two separate schedules," recalled Dave Houle, one of Wilson's assistant coaches "He knew that by doing it this way, it would dilute the talent and we probably wouldn't win as many games but he wanted each of the kids to get more playing time That's the kind of guy he was'

"With two teams to coach, Dave was running all over the place on weekends, Nelson said "But you could tell he loved it On Saturdays, he'd show up at the field at 8 a m and he wouldn't leave until 9 p m'

Tracy Wilson still vividly remembers the night almost three years ago when

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# **Spartans' Woods** named top coach

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### BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

**Redford Bishop Borgess head** basketball coach Tony Woods preaches teamwork and togetherness to his players It took a

Woods

thought were selfish tendencies He made the players run laps in the empty gymnasium following that contest 'When you've got a young

Holy Redeemer, but Woods

wasnt satisfied with what he

team and start reading about yourself, you start thinking you re better than you are, Woods said 'You start playing for yourself'

Almost immediately after that episode, and for the rest of the year, Spartan players cared less about jaw-dropping slams than about competing the right way and winning

"Its about teamwork and connecting to each other, Woods explained 'It's not about just yourself'

To underscore that point,

## **OLGC** football

The Our Lady of Good Counsel (OLGC) football\* program will hold its parents meeting for the 2005 season on Thursday, April 7, at 7 pm, in the OLGC gymnasium, which is located at 1151 William St in Plymouth **OLGC offers teams for** boys in grade 3rd through 8th Families that belong to the following parishes are eligible OLGC, St Kenneth, Our Lady of Victory, St. Mary's of Wayne, St Richard, St Thomas a'Becket, Divine Savior, **Resurrection, St James** (third- and fourthgraders only) and St. John Neumann

Parents of interested players should attend the meeting Program information and registration materials will be distributed Contact Mike Nelson at mikenelson@ameritech n et or (734) 737-9935

### Swim standouts

A pair of local swimmers turned in awardwinning performances at the Michigan State Swim **Championships March 11-**13 at Rockford High School, located in suburban Grand Rapids

Matthew Liu was the overall high-point earner in the boys 10-and-under division while Lauren Seroka finished second in the airls 10-and-under category Both swimmers placed first in several individual events and also competed on firstplace relay teams



little while, but eventually, that

philosophy sank in like a TR Ellis trey Woods, 32 earned selec

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### State champs

Redford Catholic Central hockey captured its sixth Division 1 state title in the past seven years Saturday night when the Shamrocks derailed East Kentwood, 4-0, at the Compuware Sports Arena CC finished 24-3-3 For an article on the final game, please see page C7

boys basketball coach of the year for the way he motivated his squad to a Catholic League A-West Division title and respectable postseason run Borgess finished 14-7, dropping a close contest to Detroit City in the Class D state district final

"Coming off a fourth-place finish (in 2003-04, Woods first season as Borgess coach), the improvement on our team was excellent," he said "Even though we lost some tough games, they came out and really played their hardest'

The 1990 Borgess graduate, who earned varsity letters in football, basketball and baseball, had something to do with the admirable work ethic the Spartans displayed down the stretch

In early January, the Spartans won big over Detroit

Woods invited his players to compare how the 2004 Detroit Pistons won the NBA title with the individualistic and mediocre play of the mostrecent US Olympic team

Woods, who is working toward an education degree at Wavne State University, also said he isn't such a taskmaster that players become stifled on the court He lets them do what they do best, as long as it fits into the big Borgess picture "I give them the freedom, I don't like to limit their game"

And now, Woods is looking forward to taking the Borgess program a couple more rungs up the postseason ladder

We still have a long way to go," he said "But overall, (next year) we'll be one of the better ones to watch'

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# Club gymnastics experience gives Brodehl edge

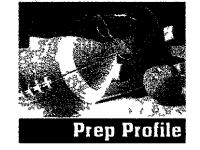
#### BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

It's a rare occurrence when a freshman grabs a leadership role on a high school athletic team

But that's exactly the scenario that unfolded over the past few months for the Plymouth girls gymnastics team, which often looked to ninth-grader Jordan Brodehl for assistance while practicing and guidance when competing in meets

"Jordan 1s a very hard worker who was great when it came to helping out her inexperienced teammates," said first-year Plymouth coach Melissa Chang "Jordan was the only gymnast on our team who has club experience She was very supportive and encouraging with the other girls, and she helped them work on their routines as well"

Plymouth's team was unique



this season because it had just five competitors on its roster By comparison, both Salem and Canton have more than 20 girls. on their respective teams

Several members of last year's squad opted to participate in cheerleading this season, thus eliminating any depth Chang would be able to work with in her first full year on the job

That made Brodehls steady contributions even more important

"The club teams I was on were

a lot bigger than this team, so this year was different than what I was used to," Brodehl said "But one of the best parts about this year was that because there were only five of us, we got close and became good friends I thought all of the girls on the team improved a lot this year Some of them weren't even competing in meets early in the year, but they were all trying at least two events at the end of the season

"Next year, I think we're going to have a lot more girls on the team I've talked to some of the cheerleaders and they've said they're going to come back to gymnastics next season'

### EARLY START

Brodehl's gymnastics career started at the age of 7 when her parents signed her up to learn the sport at the Michigan Academy of Gymnastics, which is located in Westland She

proved to be a fast learner and was soon competing against many of the best young gymnasts in the United States

"We traveled quite a bit for the club team," Brodehl recalled "We had meets in Las Vegas, Florida and other places At the national meets, we would see a lot of different gymnasts who were very good I would watch them, then when I got back to the club, I would try to work on things I would see them do'

Brodehl's early success in the sport didn't come without hours upon hours of practice and hard work

"We practiced a lot more with the club team than we do with the high school team," she said "With the club team, it was five days a week for about four hours a night, and it was pretty much year-round We would get a cou-

PLEASE SEE BRODEHL, C3



Plymouth gymnast Jordan Brodehl had a stellar first season for the Wildcats She recorded personalbest scores of 9 2 on the vault and 3500 in the all-around

### **Volleyball tryouts**<sup>2</sup>

Tryouts for the Schoolcraft College women's volleyball team will be from 1-3 p m Saturday at the auxiliary gymnasium. Full tuition scholarships are available to qualified players Call coach Tom Teeters at (248) 305-9804

### T-ball sign-up

The City of Plymouth **Recreation Department** will be holding registration from March 28 through April 15 for its 5and 6-year-old co-ed Tball league Children must be born in either July-December, 1998; January-December, 1999; or January-July, 2000. Registration will be held at the recreation office, which is located at the Plymouth Cultural

Center between the hours of 9 30 a m. to 4 30 p m Birth certificates are required

The season runs seven weeks from June 20 through Aug. 5 The fee is \$75 for non-residents and \$55 for Plymouth residents Contact the recreation department at (734) 455-6620, ext 302

### YMCA programs

The Plymouth YMCA is accepting registrations for flag football for children between the ages of 8 and 12, and spring soccer for kids between the ages 4 and 10

Both activities require a \$20 individual membership fee and a \$68 participation fee per sport Call (734) 453-2904.

### **ALL-AREA**

# team scores with talent

#### FIRST TEAM

Leon Freeman 6-4 Jr G Belleville Only a junior Freeman was the main architect of the Tigers outstanding 22.3 season

Freeman could score effectively from the perimeter as well as the paint averaging 175 points per game. He was also a rebounding (12.5) and passing (4.0 assists) force Defensively Freeman recorded 2.5 steals per contest and 20 blocks a game

Leon meant a lot to this team said Belleville coach Mike Krogel He was not only our leading scorer and rebounder but he was second in blocks steals and assists Obviously he is a multi faceted player. He could score inside and outside and he played hard on both ends of the floor

Hes an exciting player who makes things happen which he did many times this year

Gregg Hill 6-0 Sr G Redford Union Extremely confident in all aspects of his game. Hill capped an outstanding Panther career with selection to the All Mega first team for the fourth consecutive year

He also averaged 15.4 points 4.1 assists and 3.8 rebounds nearly hitting three pointers at a 50 percent clip

Gregg faced tremendous defensive attention every night said head coach Brett Steele People ran every conceivable defense at him this year. He still put up tremendous numbers and was consistent in his perform ance

During the season Hill became the school's all time leading scorer and finished with 1184 points. Other high lights of his career include winning team MVP honors three times sharing the award this year with Anthony Smelley

Another hint of what kind of player he's been at RU. The team won 62 of 84 games during his career

Donnie Carson 6-3 Jr G Livonia Clarenceville The jun ior improved his high wire act this year by averaging 218 points 96 rebounds 33 assists 40 steals 18 blocks for the Trojans

His 84 total steals in a season puts him on the MHSAA record list

The All Metro Conference selection shot 45 percent from the field (179 for 398) He was 25 of 74 from three point range (34 percent) including 19 of 42 over his last nine dames

Donnie is the best player I ve ever coached Clarenceville's Kevin Murphy said The sky's the limit with his potential. As the season progressed his shot got better He also played harder. He picked up his game as the sea son went along

Georgetown UConn Ball State Kent State and Toledo have expressed interested in the junior

Barry Eberhardt 6-6 Sr C Westland John Glenn The senior finished the year averaging 20 points and 11 rebounds per game as the Rockets won the Lakes Division title

Barry was the only player who was voted unanimously for All Conference Glenn coach Joel Lloyd said. I felt he was the best player in the league. He was our go to guy and everybody pretty much knew it

We saw a lot of zone and defenses always focused on him He did a good job to put up those numbers

Gene Nix 67 Sr C Wayne Memorial The senior led Wayne to the Western Lakes regular season title as he averaged 16 points 10 rebounds and 2.5 blocks per game. The All Western Lakes pick also shot over 50 percent

Gene has made great strides since last year. Wayne coach Wayne Woodard said. He played at a high level against some of the high caliber teams this summer and never came out of the name. We expected a lot of him this year and except for an early season injury (ankle) he

delivered for us He lived up to what was expected SECOND TEAM

Andre Beil 6 2 Jr F Livonia Franklin The junior aver aged 18 5 points seven rebounds two assists and 2.5 steals per game as the Patriots posted their best record (13 8) since the 1982 83 season He scored in double figures in 20 of 21 games

Bell also hit 70 percent of his free throws and shot 48 percent from the field. The All Western Division pick had high games of 26 each against Redford Union and Walled Lake Western

The one the Andre demonstrated this season is that hes is a triple threat because he handles the ball can take it to the rack and has both the mid range and three point shot Franklin coach Russ Keberly said. He has a lot of potential yet to tap into. He brings a level of excitement to our games. He s a pleasant guy an easy kid to coach

Tommie Clark, 6 3 Jr F Belleville Clark who was the Tigers second leading scorer behind Freeman (150) was the catalyst of the teams high octane transition attack. He was also a powerful offensive rebounder and stellar defender

Tommie developed as a very good transition player for us this season said Krogel. He teamed up with Leon a lot to score on the fast break. Tommie and Leon may not have been the Dynamic Duo but they were close

Leon took the ball out of bounds for us after made baskets and he hit Tommie with long passes that turned into lay ups. Tommie is a good offensive rebounder who has a knack for following shots

Anthony Smelley 6-1 Sr G Redford Union Smelley was easily deserving of first team status if not for the fact 22.3 Belleville this year entered the Observer coverage area. He made the All Mega first team for the second consecutive season and also garnered accolades as the teams co MVP with Hill

Smelley averaged 147 points and five rebounds per con test augmenting Hill as the Panthers compiled a 16 5 record

After losing three starters from last years team he stepped into more of a leadership role this year and had an outstanding senior year said Steele

Smelley also faced opponents best on offense and defense and still put up impressive numbers

Brandon Craft 6 3 Jr F Garden City The Cougars near ly pulled off a victory against Dearborn Heights Crestwood in the Class A state districts because of Craft who carried his team on his shoulders to the tune of 30 points includ ing 14 in the third

It was the kind of determined effort that Garden City head coach Greg Williamson saw more often than not from his junior captain and 40 student

He tried to carry us on his back in the districts in noted Williamson Hels just a greatik diand a good player

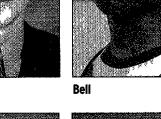
Craft averaged 18 points and eight rebounds per con test and was named to the All Mega squad

Andy Cortellini 5-10 Sr G Canton While the three year varsity player didn't rack up flashy stats his worth to the Chiefs 15.8 season was immeasurable. A steady depend able ball handler. Cortell ni could break just about any press that was thrown at him. The All Western Lakes Activities Association performer could also score when necessary averaging 10.0 points per game. He shot 39 per cent from three point land Defensively he racked up 45 steals and corralled 26 loose balls which was a testament to his hustling style of play

Andy was the guarterback of our offense said Canton coach Charlie Paye He saw the floor very well He could score too either by taking the ball to the basket or hit ting a three. Andy is a great team player

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## All-Observer Boys Basketball Team for 2004-05

2004-05 ALL OBSERVER **BASKETBALL TEAM** (selected by the sports staff) FIRST TEAM Leon Freeman 6 4 Jr Belleville Gregg Hill 6 0 Sr Redford Union Donnie Carson 63 Jr Livonia Clarenceville Barry Eberhardt 6 6 Sr Westland John Glenn Gene Nix 67 Sr Wayne Memorial SECOND TEAM Anthony Smelley 61 Sr Redford Union Andre Beli 62 Jr Livonia Franklin Tommie Clark 63 Jr Belleville Brandon Craft 6 3 Jr Garden City Andy Cortellini 5 10 Sr Canton THIRD TEAM David Davis 6.4 Jr. Redford Bishop Borgess Danny Walsh 61 Sr Wayne Memorial Anre Partee 5.9 Sr Belleville Josh Samarco 6 0 Sr Belleville David Calille 61 Sr Canton FOURTH TEAM Josh Le Duc 6 4 Jr Plymouth Aras Butkunas 6 5 Jr Redford Catholic Central TR Ellis 6.3 Jr Redford Bishop Borgess Stephen Sumner 6 0 Sr Plymouth Christian Lonnie Wade 6 5 Sr Redford Thurston COACH OF THE YEAR Tony Woods Redford Bishop Borgess HONORABLE MENTION

Canton Kevin Thornton Jason Houdek Andre Bridges Salem Billy Leddy Bave Cardenas Plymouth. D J Coleman Jim Wilbur A J Davey Brent Jones Kulraj Sanghu Stevenson Tom Clements Tony Lenardon Luke Knochel Churchill Mark Schubert Sean Adkins Joel Hall Franklin Tommy Jankowski Mitch Jelonek Matt McCullough Ciarenceville Ray Gardner Bruno Shkreli Allen Garrant Wayne Memorial Rodrick Walker DeVaughn Hill Maurice Nelson Jay Butler John Glenn Alex McMillian Huron Valley Lutheran Bishop Borgess Jon Harold Collins Antoine Hollifield Joseph Jones Redford Catholic Central Rob Fragoso Chris Harding Garrett Senczyszyn Redford Union Chris Brown Bill Johnson David Johnson III Redford Thurston Terrance Millen Antoine Morris Gibert Ward Garden City Scott Shaw Kyle Sizemore Plymouth Christian Aaron Ciborowski Canton Agaper Bryan Horning Gabe Molnar Derek Leathers Jack Anleitner



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# **Do You Want to Honor** a HomeTown Hero?

Your Observer & Eccentric, Mirror and HomeTown Newspapers, in conjunction with the United Way of Oakland County, are calling for nominations for the HomeTown Heroes <sup>™</sup> Awards, which recognizes, encourages and rewards outstanding volunteers who have given selflessly of themselves to support non-profit organizations in Oakland County Nominees and awardees will be recognized at the Sixth Annual HomeTown Heroes <sup>™</sup> Luncheon that will take place on June 1, 2005 at Marriott at Centerpoint in Pontiac, Michigan NOMINATOR					
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A type written essay on a separate sheet, up to one page (no less than 10 point font size) In the essay state the qualities that make this volunteer stand out from other volunteers and list any major accomplishments of the person' volunteer activities Please give specific examples of how the nominee currently has helped someone, has made a difference for the non-profit organization and/or has had an impact on the community Include a photo (no larger than 5" x 7") of the nominated person or group, or for Business nominees, include a photo of persons participating in the volunteer activity					
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# Dixon excels at state meet

Salem senior Nick Dixon capped his high school swimming career in high style Saturday with two top-five finishes at the Division 1 state final meet held at Eastern Michigan University

The Rocks placed 19th in the overall standings as they compiled 34 points Defending champion Ann Arbor Pioneer won the Division 1 title

Dixon placed fourth in the 100-yard individual medley event with a personal best time of 1 57 06

"Nick should get All-American consideration for that time," said Rock coach Chuck Olson

Dixon also finished fifth in the 100-yard backstroke with a clocking of 53 42

Salem's medley relay foursome of Matt Jurcak, Dixon, Stan Chen and Penn Chou placed 17th with a time of 1 41 74

"It seemed like each of the four swimmers was about three-tenths of a second off," Olson said

Mike Higgs earned a 30thplace finish in the 50-yard freestyle (22 77) while Andrew Murawski was 21st in diving



Salem's Matt Jurcak finished 12th in the 100 yard freestyle event at the Division 1 state meet Saturday at Eastern Michigan University

Jurcak was 12th in the 100yard freestyle, touching in 47 91, which was a personal best

He also placed 19th in the he 100-yard backstroke

Salems 200-yard freestyle relay team of Higgs, Pat Sataural, Matt Underhill and Chou placed 24th in the state

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with a time of 1 31 93 The Rocks 400-yard freestyle relay quartet of Jurcak, Higgs, Chou and Dixon turned in a time of 3 15 98, which would have placed it in the top 10, however, the team was disqualified as a judge claimed one of the swimmers left the starting block prema-

My assistant coach and I were standing right there and we dıdn't see ıt," Olson saıd Theres not much you can do about it, though

# **Cunningham earns top honors**

#### BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

Canton girls gymnastics coach John Cunningham was honored for his dedication to the sport Saturday when he was presented with the "Coach of the Year" award by the Michigan High School Gymnastics Coaches and Judges Association Cunningham also won the

award in 2002

### 2005 MHSAA GIRLS GYMNASTICS INDIVIDUAE STATE FINALS March 12 at Plymouth High **DIVISION 1 RESULTS**

Vault 1 Jessica Nieman (Freeland) 9725 Shannon Jodoin (Tri Farmington) 9500 3 Alyssa Kelley (Canton) 9475 4 Kyte Krygier (Traverse City) 9250 5 Leslie Mayville (Rochester) 9 225 6 (tie) Tiffany Heuhs (Holt) Jessica Oddi (Tri Farmington) 9200 8 Emilee Walsh (Portage Northern) Nichole Drouillard (Brighton) 9150 10 (tie) Andrea Pisani (Livonia) Jessie Murray (Canton) 9125

Uneven bars: 1 Tiffany Heuhs (Holt) 9650 2 Kyle Krygler (Traverse City) 9575 3 Emily Snellenberger (Holt) 9450 4 Emilee Walsh (Portage Northern) 9400 5 Lauren Dillullo (Brighton) 9 375 6 Kelly Patrick (Tri Farmington) 9300 7 (tie) Jessica Neman (Freeland) Andrea Pisani (Livonia) 925 9 (tie) Jessica Oddi (Tri Farmington) Leslie Mayville (Rochester) Alyssa Kelley (Canton) 9150

Balance beam 1 Jessica Nieman (Freeland) 9800 2 Tiffany Heuhs (Holt) 9 425 3 Jessica Oddi (Tri Farmington) 9 400 4 Lindsey Reed (Livonia) 9325 5 Andrea Pisani (Livonia) 9300 6 Lauren Dillulto (Brighton) 9250 7 Shannon Jodoin (Tr farmington) 9200 8" (tie) Leslie Mayville (Rochester) Megan Chappo (Canton) Kacy Risner (Livonia) 9150

Floor exercise 1 Lindsey Reed (Livonia)

## BRODEHL

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ple of weeks off at different times during the summer I enjoyed it though It's given me a chance meet a lot of nice people through gymnastics VAULTING TO SUCCESS

While Brodehl is proficient

I was surprised," Cunningham admitted I hon estly thought (Farmington United coach) Jeff Dwyer was going to get it' High school coaches and

judges from across the state vote on who is most deserving of the award

Cunningham, who is president of the MHSGCJA, said the award 1s not based solely on results

tions to the sport than who has 3 the best team, Cunningham said "I do a lot of work at the state level and organizing the state meet"

The Chiefs had an outstanding season, finishing fourth in Friday's state meet at Plymouth High School

Cunningham's teams perennually finish in the top 10 in the state ewright@oe homecomm net | (734) 953 2108

"It's based more on contribu-

### **GYMNASTICS RESULTS**

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All around 1 Jessica Nieman (Freeland) 38 250 2 Tiffany Heuhs (Holt) 37 825 3 Kyle Krygier (Traverse City) 37350 4 Andrea Pisani (Livonia) 37175 5 Shannon Jodoin (Tri Farmington) 37150 6 Jessica Oddi (Tri Farmington) 36 975 27 Lauren Dillullo (Bridhton) 36 875 8 Lesle Mayville (Rochester) 36 675 9 Lindsey Reed (Livonia) 36 650 10 Em lee Walsh (Portage Northern) 36 450

### **DIVISION 2 RESULTS**

Vault 1 Lindsey Orgeck (Forest Hills) 9500 2 Caltlyn Gager (Rockford) 9450 3 (tie) Alyssa Supplee (Livonia) Kim Watters (Rockford) 9200 5 Janna Ramsey (Northville/Novi) 9125 6 (tie) Paige Albers (Livonia) Jacqueline Gazette (Northville/Novi) 9100 8 Ashley Quinto (Salem) 9075 9 Andrea Marcos (Tri Farmington) Laura Merrell (Tri Farmington) 9 0 5 0

Uneven bars 1 Kim Watters (Rockford) 9175 2 (tie) Elena Gueorguiev (Salem) Alyssa Bryson (Rockford) 9100 4 (tie) Alyse Quinn (Tri Farmington) Robyn DeYoung (Traverse City) Courtney Shaneour (Hillsdale) 9075 7

at all four events - balance beam, floor exercise, uneven bars and vault - she said the

sometimes you have to do it several times in a row Brodehl's best all-around

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Floor exercise 1 Lindsey Orgeck (Forest Hills) 9 450 2 (tie) Alyse Quinn (Tri Farmington) Aubrey Calligan (Hillsdale) 9300 4 Alyssa Burke (ECWC) 9250 5 Caitlin . Rilev (Kenowa Hills) 9225 6 Robyn DeYoung (Traverse City) 9150 7 Kelsy Puffer (Rochester Adams) 9100 8 Alvssa Supplee (Livonia) 9075 9 Ashley Quinto (Salem) 9 050 10 (tie) Julie Foucher (Northville/Novi) Kaitlyn Burns (Canton) Meleah Vanos (Kenowa Hills) 8 950

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score this season was a 35 00

As far as high scores in individ-

ual events, she recorded a 9 2

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in the vault and a 9 0 on the  $3^{1/2}$ 

this season for her first year of

high school gymnastics," Chang"

said "I'm looking forward to

working with her in the future,

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"I think Jordan did very well

### March 11 12 at EMU s Jones Natatorium TEAM SCORES 1 Ann Arbor Pioneer 305 points 2 Zeeland 200 3 Birmingham

Brother Rice 163 4 Grosse Pointe South 142 5 Lake Orion 133 6 Holland West Ottawa 128 7 Northville 127 8 Troy 113 9 Rockford 109 10 Livonia Stevenson 102

MHSAA DIVISION 1

**BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING** 

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

### **FINAL RESULTS**

200 yard medley relay 1 Holland West Ottawa (Christopher Jordan Chris Meyers Ryan Nelis Beau Austin) 135.63 2 Birmingham Brother Rice 13670 3 Zeeland 136 84 4 Livonia Stevenson 13709 5 Ann Arbor Pioneer 13742 6 Grosse Pointe South 13874 7 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Unified 13937 8 Saline 14153 9 Hudsonville 13940 10 Troy 13991 11 Northville 14059 12 Walled Lake Central 140 88 13 Detroit U D Jesuit 14102 14 Grand Haven 14138 15 East Kentwood 1 41 99 16 Holland 1 42 10

200 freestyle 1 Sho Koba (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 1 38 51 (Division Lirecord) 2 David Curtis (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 140.55 3 Adam DeJong (Holland) 1 42 21 4 Chris Keady (Northville) 14341 5 Brad Farris (Northville) 143 44 6 Pat Dodge (Lake Orion) 143 84 7 Kyle Begley (Saine) 14443 8 Robert Steele (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 144.49 9 Scott Ducharme (Rochester Adams) 1 44 48 10 Casey Browning (Grosse Pointe South) 1 44 66 11 Dave Brown (Lake Orion) 1 45 15 12 Josh D'Angelo (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 1 45 48 13 Zach Czapla (Ann Arbor Huron) 1 45 55 14 Jon Lessard (Birmingham Brother Rice) 1 45 74 15 Chris Buck (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 1 45 75 16 Ryań Shrum (Zeeland) 1 47 28 200 individual medley 1 Justin Barkel (Zeeland) 154 04 2 Daniel Warner (Saline) 15411 3 Tony Wahl (Detroit Jesuit) 15574 4 Nick Dixon (Salem) 15706 5 Chris Bagley (Birmingham Brother Rice) 15724 6 Chris Johnson (Troy) 1 57'26 7 Pat Buck (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 15768 8 Jason Hass (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 1 58 49 9 Travis Hatt (Livonia Stevenson) 1 58 14 10 Ryan Nelis (Holland West Ottawa) 158 41 11 Will Blickle (Northville) 158 81 12 Brian Keeley (Rockford) 158 85 13 James DeWitte (Birmingham Brother Rice) 15959 14 Roman Sandler (Walled Lake Northern) 1 59 77 15 Connor Christie (Saline) 1 59 90 16 Peter Stevens (Grosse Pointe South) 2 00 99 50 freestyle 1 Jamie Martone (Troy) 2106 2 Brad Dotson (Jenison) 2128 3 Joe Schmitt (Grand Haven) 21 32 4 Luke Orteg (Rockford) 2155 5 Garrett Ruhland (Lake Orion) 2174 6 Steve Weinberg (Ann Arbor Huron) 2183 7 James Spaulding (Grand Blanc) 21 90 8 Ryan Gunderson (Grosse Pointe South) 22 89 9 Matt Massman (Livonia Stevenson) 2192 10 (tie) Beau Austin (Holland West Ottawa) 22.04

12 Chris Tyner (Grand Rapids Forest Hills Unified) 22.16 13 (tie) Alex Davidson (Jackson) 22 23 Brendon Ray (Holland) 22 23 15 Brad Voss (Holt) 22 26 16 Dustin Hennigar (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 22 28

1 meter diving 1 Dan Smith (Rockford) 402 50 points 2 Brandon Figurski (Lake Orion) 40165 3 Tristan Stewart (Saginaw Heritage) 397 25 4 Kelly Todd (Brighton) 390 65 5 Tory Dantuma (East Kentwood) 382 50 6 Kyle Overway (Zeeland) 370 15 7 Jake Hoekstra (Grandville) 356 05 8 Justin Linne (Grosse Pointe South) 35510 9 Grant Weick (Hudsonville) 346 60 10 Chris Alberty (Novi) 33770 11 Cody Stafford (Livonia Stevenson) 337 05 12 Travis Kneale (Walled Lake Northern) 332 95 13 Russ Bornschein (Ann Arbor Pioneer) 332 80 14 Brad Lempke (Northville) 31015 15 Kevin Cafarelli (Canton) 301 80 16 Anthony Stadwick (Roseville) 297 85

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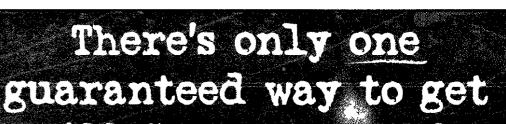
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100 breaststroke 1 Justin

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### vault stands out as her premier skill "The vault 1s the one event I spend the most time practicing," she said 'It takes a lot of speed and endurance because



**SWIM RESULTS** 

Brent Saeli (Birmingham Brother Rice) 22.04

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# 4 local wrestlers place at Division 1 meet

#### BY DAN STICKRADT STAFF WRITER

Hafeez Qureshi finished his freshman wrestling campaign three years ago with just one win Now, the Livonia Churchill senior is going out on top

Qureshi ended his prep career Saturday at The Palace of Auburn Hills, downing neighboring rival Eric Vojtkofsky of Redford Catholic Central 9-6 in the Lower Peninsula Division 1, 215-pound finals signaling one of the greatest stories of the year

This is just an unbelievable feeling, admitted Qureshi, who also eclipsed the 100-wins mark during the state tournament run "I worked so hard for four long years to get here I had just one win as a freshman, so I've come a long ways This is just

great '

Qureshi, who finished 50-1 on the season, also defeated Voitkofsky 5-1 at the Observerland tournament back in January

"I knew how he wrestled, so there weren't any surprises I beat him before," said Qureshi "My coaches did a great job preparing me, helping me get to this point'

That point is the top of the state, where 14 wrestlers in each of the state's four divisions were crowned individual state cham-DIONS

Several Observerland competitors finished in the top eight to reach the medals stand, all in Division 1

Canton's Corey Phillips claimed a fifth-place medal at 130, pinning Bobby Taylor of Grand Ledge in 5 33 in his final

match of the state tournament Ryan Webb of Canton rolled past Kalamazoo Central's Jared Nabors, 11-3, to finish seventh at 135

In another all-area tilt, Plymouth Salems Ryan Stump edged Belleville's Tim Davis 6-4 in the seventh place match at 125 Salem teammate Jeremy Henderson was seventh at 189 by injury default

Six Observerland wrestlers reached the state finals, and three came away with individual titles Among them were the Catholic Central duo of Trevor Stewart and Sean Dong It was the first state title for Dong, while Stewart graduates as a three-time champion

Stewart finishes his stellar career with 204 wins, as he top pled Temperance-Bedford's Kevin Zink, 5-2, in the finals at

It's amazing winning again Not everyone has a chance to do something like this," said Stewart 'It's also amazing to win over 200 matches in my career I've had great coaching at CC'

Dong won the title at 135, holding off West Bloomfield's Chris Kinaya, 6-5 Dong was up 5-1 early in the third period before escaping with the win

'Its amazing feeling to win I don t know how to describe it, said Dong, a junior "It was a tough match Kinaya is a great opponent It took a lot to beat him, hold him off at the end" Others didn't fare so well in

the finals, among them Catholic Central's Brad Bartram (171)and Westland John Glenn's Rece Cox(140)

Cox's defeat was one of the

tournament's biggest upsets, as he came into his finals match unbeaten on the year and was defeated by a freshman, Rockford's Ben Bennent in the finals Cox led 2-1 after the first period before succumbing to Bennent, 8-2

"We just had two completely different styles out there,' said Cox "I couldn't get anything done '

CCs Bartram held a 6-5 lead in the third period Davison Kyle Chittick in the 171-pound title bout, before Chittick pulled a late reversal to squeak out a 7-6 win

Churchill had five state placers on the day Justin Smith was seventh at 130, downing East Kentwood's Pat Topolski, 3-2, while the Chargers' Manuel Schubert lost his final match at 171 to place fourth Joe

Bargerstock finished fifth at 189 after topping Grandville's Jono Krystiniak, 11-0, and Pat Draheim finished fourth at 275 Livonia Franklin's David

Watkins was fifth at 145 following a 4-2 triumph over Ypsilanti Lincoln's Kyle O'Keefe, and the Patriots Blake Karkoska finished eighth at 152

Catholic Central's fifth state placer was John Morasso, seventh at 275 after his pin in 1 35 of Fraser's Marquez Brown Jum - 5 Moore of Redford Union rounded out the area's medalists, as he finished fourth at 140

Before the finals round began, longtime CC coach Mike Rodriguez was honored — and given a standing ovation - as hıs 702 lifetime team dual victories was announced as an offi cial national record

MHSAA LOWER PENINSULA **DIVISION | INDIVIDUAL** WRESTLING RESULTS FINALS at PALACE OF AUBURN HILLS 275 POUNDS

Pat Draheim Sr Livonia Churchill (fourth place record 48 3) pinned by Liam Knapp

(Battle Creek Central) 5 44 p Brandin Cummings (Saginaw Arthur Hill) 122 deci sioned Kevin Austin (Davison) 54 p John Morasso (Redford Catholic Central) 450 p by Spencer Channell (Grosse Pointe North) 410 John Morasso Sr., Redford Catholic Central (seventh place record 40 9) dec Andy



Thorten (Portage Central) 8.3 pinned by Steven Thatcher (Rochester Adams) 451 dec Brian Klobucar (Hudsonville) 62 p by Pat Draheim (Churchill) 450 p Marquez Brown (Fraser) 135 Nick Turco Sr., Livonia Franklin (record 42

10) p by Terrance Taylor (Muskegon) 102 dec Mark Ruggles (Walled Lake Northern) 42 p by Liam Knapp (BC Central) 459

125 Ryan Stump Sr Salem (seventh place record 41 4) dec Brent Hair (Bay City Central) 14.0 dec by Jeremy Larkin (Lansing Eastern) 7.6 dec Josh Noble (Roseville) 10.2 dec by Josh Trombley (New Baltimore Anchor Bay) 12 1 dec Tim Davis (Belleville) 6 4

Andrew Nadhir Jr Redford CC (record 38 9) dec by Joel Trombley (New Baltimore Anchor Bay) 13 4 p David Johnson (Milford) 443 dec by Tim Davis (Beilville) 13 0

Justin Smith Sr Churchill (seventh place

0 dec Andy Sullivan (Saginaw Arthur Hill) 43 dec by Bobby Taylor (Grand Ledge) 11 2 dec Pat Topolsk (E Kentwood) 3.2 Corey Phillips Soph Canton (fifth place record 49 7) won by default dec Andy Sullivan (Saginaw Arthur Hill) 4.0 dec by Kyle

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Rece Cox, Sr., Westland John Glenn (runner up record 52 1) dec Jon Bearden (New Baltimore Anchor Bay) 12 4 p Aaron Beers

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

**WRESTLING RESULTS** 

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS** 2005-2009 CONSOLIDATED PLAN (Grand Ledge) 139 dec Keenan Duffie (Dav son) 6 5 dec by Ben Bennett (Rockford)

Jim Moore Sr Redford Union (fourth place record 48-6) won by default over Justin Hyde (Holly) dec by Ben Bennett (Rockford) 42 dec Jon Bearden (New Baltimore Anchor Bay) 9.3 dec Tyler Johnston (Temperance Bedford) 10 5 dec Keenan Duffie (Davison) 14 6 dec by Shawn LaChance (South Lyon) 43 145

David Watkins Sr Franklin (fifth place record 48 7) dec Diego Rodriguez (E Kentwood) 50 p by Braden LAmoreaux (Clarkston) 2.52 dec Rolando Mireles (Grand Rapids Union) 10.9 (two overtimes) p. Bill Amundsen (Kalamazoo Central) 5 43 (OT) p by Anthony Mistretta (Warren Cousino) 215 dec Kyle 0 Keefe (Ypsilanti Lincoln) 42 9

Josh Kelly Jr Churchill (record 37 19) p by Brandon Johnson (Grand Ledge) 132 p by Kyle Whited (Monroe) 2 34

Blake Karkoska Jr., Franklin (eighth place record 44-15) p Blake Mesyn (Fraser) 114 dec by Mike Mixon (Howell) 73 dec CJ Lynn (Southgate) 31 dec by Darin Tims (Flat Rock Woodhaven) 7 1; dec by Craig Dropiewski (Walled Lake Central) 71 160

Trevor Stewart Sr Redford CC (champion record 54 0) won by tech fall over Quinn Boyce (Davison) 19 4 p David Meyers (E Kentwood) 146 dec Tony Doan (Port Huron) 10 4 dec Kevin Zink (Temperance Bedford) 5 2 Kyle Lis Sr., Livonia Stevenson (record 35

12) p by Tony Doan (Port Huron) 323 dec by Tony Tronti (Warren Cousino) 11-9

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Hafeez Qureshi Sr Churchill (champion record 50 1) p Aaron Shelton (Holly) 158 p Dan Chase (Utica Ford) 241 dec Eric Gritter (Grandville) 3.2 dec Eric Vojtkofsky (Redford CC) 96

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON **REQUEST FOR BID**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3 00 p m March 31st 2005 for the following

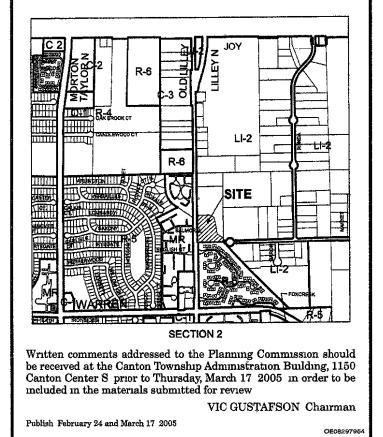
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### PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday March 21, 2005 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 11 50 S Canton Center Road at 7 00 pm. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

**BLOCH REZONING** CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO 008 99 0001 707 FROM LI 2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO R 6 SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED RESIDENTIAL Property is located east of Haggerty and north of Warren Road



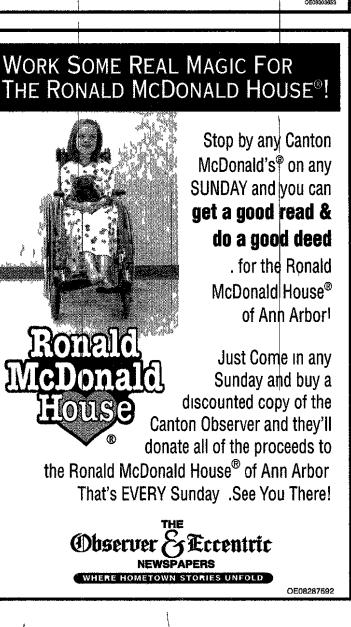
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### **FY2005 CDBG ACTION PLAN**

On April 6, 2005 at 2 pm\_in Meeting Room B lower level, Administration Building 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan there will be hearings on the above captioned activities The purpose of the Consolidated Plan hearing is to identify needs in the community to be identified in the 5 year plan for the community development block grant program The purpose of the Action Plan is to identify projects and project funding levels for the FY 2005 CDBG program The funding requests are First Step \$36 000 Growth Works \$8 800 Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services \$20 500 Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency \$3 000 Canton Township Leisure Services recreational scholarship \$1500 Canton Township Volunteer Coordinator \$6,500 Canton Township Sheldon School site improvements \$15000 Canton Human Services Center construction reimbursement (final year) \$275 000, Canton Township CDBG program administration \$64 919 The FY 2005 CDBG allocation is \$414 919 Written comments or requests for information should be directed to Gerald Martin Community Services Specialist Community Services Division 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Michigan 48188 (734) 394 5194

Terry Bennett Clerk

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### SKID STEER LOADER AND ATTACHMENTS

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 394 5225 All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name company name address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race color national origin sex religion age or disability in employment or the provision of services

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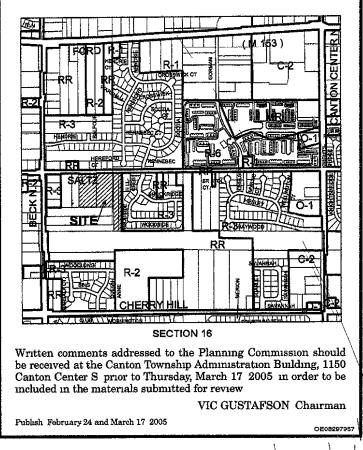
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**LIVONIA BUILDERS REZONING** CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS 063 99 0004 702 063 99 0005 000, 063 99 0010 000 AND 063 99 0012 000 FROM RR, RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO R 3, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL Property is located south of Saltz and east of Beck Road





The Plymouth Christian Academy cheerleading squad won its fourth consecutive Class D state championship Saturday at Saginaw Valley State University. The 16-member team is coached by Suzanne Immerfall.

# Plymouth Christian cheer squad takes Class D title

Plymouth Christian Academy cheerleading coach Suzanne Immerfall went out in style this past weekend

Immerfalls 16-member squad won its fourth consecu tive Class D title at the Michigan Cheerleading Coaches Association State Championship meet held Saturday at Saginaw Valley State University It was the final competition for Immerfall, who is stepping down as the Eagles coach

I tried to run our program like a Class A school would, Immerfall said Everyone on the squad does gymnastics at Eurostars, which has really been beneficial'

PCA won by an unprecedented 73 points over the second-place team

PCA, which has not lost one competition in the past four

years, consists of Allison Clemmons, Abi Cochran, April La Benne, Kristen Macauley, Parker Welling, Caleb James, Ashley James, Jenna Nill, Rebekah Martin, Kim Johnson, Lauren Qualls, Alyssa Messing, Melissa Zylka, Heather Shamie, Jessica Shamie and Tessa Neubacher Jenny Stellema and Jessica Isensee served as assistant coaches



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her husband decided to take a shot at coaching football

'When my son was in third grade, Dave wanted to help coach David's team, Tracy Wilson reflected Well, he got a call one night and they asked him to be the head coach Dave agonized about it He said he didn't know if he was good enough to be the head coach I said, 'What are you talking about? You love football Football is your hife He decided to try it and he loved every minute of it'

Dave Wilson was one of those guys you would want coaching your 8-year-old son An offensive tackle on the 1979 Detroit Catholic Central Class A state championship team, his level of football expertise was impressive So were his communication

skills

Wilson understood that the most effective way to pass his knowledge on to third-graders was to act as their friend and mentor, not a ranting dictator

Daves No 1 thing was to make it fun for the boys,' Tracy Wilson said 'No matter what happened with the play, he would tell the kids good job' He made it a point to know every players name right away, too

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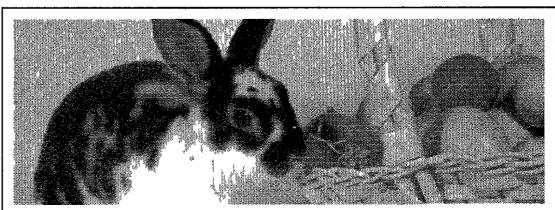
Over 700 people attended Wilsons funeral on March 7, including many of his former players, who lined the sidewalk as the casket was carried from the church to the waiting hearse The message that I heard the most from people at Dave's viewing and the funeral was how he was always there for people,' Tracy Wilson said 'He always wanted to help, and people appreciated that

When OLGC football players take the field this coming fall, Dave Wilson's initials will adorn each one of their helmets

One of those players will be David Wilson

I asked David last week if he still wanted to play football next year, Tracy Wilson said "Without hesitation, he said, 'Yes, mom, I m playing " His dad would be proud

Ed Wright is the sports editor for the Plymouth and Canton Observers He can be reached at (734) 953 2108 or ewright@oe homecomm net



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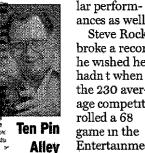
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ances as well Steve Rock broke a record he wished he hadn t when the 230 average competitor rolled a 68 game in the Entertainment Video Classic League at Lake A George (NY)

Harrison Bowl His 162 pins below average

beat the previous rfecord of 152 by Anthony Delahanty in Chandler, Ariz in 1993 Delahanty rolled a 62 game with a 214 average

Another bowler who wished he hadn t put his name in the record books is Bryan Hunsche of Akron, Ohio His 176 game in the Tuesday Nite Men's League at Turkeyfoot Lanes was the lowest ever with nine

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strikes The previous record was 184 by Harvey Lemons in Belle Glades, Fla, and William Marshino in West Palm Beach, Fla in 1974

If you think that only the high scores make the record books, that s not necessarily so in the sport of bowling

Charles Bykkonen of Redford was competing in the Sunday Goodtimers last week at Country Lanes and got in the groove during the third game He had a spare in the first frame and struck on the next 10 shots in a row and finished with an eight-count for a 288 game, 112 pins over his 176 average And it was good enough to earn an American Bowling Congress Century Watch, which he will receive at the league banquet

His game was great to see, except for the fact that he did it against my own team

The Wayne Westland Metro Bowhng Association conducted its 23rd annual '700" Singles Tournament leading off with the in-house qualifying rounds throughout January

Bowlers attempted to qualify using league scores in the five houses within the jurisdic

tion of WWMBA

League scores were computed with a 70 percent handicap from 230 The top qualifiers from each house advanced to the semifinals The finals were comprised of 159 bowlers who competed on Feb 19 to deter mine who would advance to the locally televised finals on Feb 20 at Westland Bowl

 David T Grzesik of Romulus earned the top seed with scores of 300-247-245/792 along with a 48-pin handicap to total out at 840

Thomas Johnson of Garden City was runner-up with 238-245-277/750 with a plus 33pin handicap for 793

Garden City's Donald L Rutherford placed third with scores of 217-239-276/732 with a plus 42 and a total score of 774

Fourth spot went to Garden City's Greg Gunter, who finished with 244-246-225/715 with a plus 72 and a total of 769

The fifth and last spot was taken by John Curtis of Belleville, who scored 221-252-209/682 with a plus 72 and a 754 total score

Jeff Novak of Westland was the alternate by finishing sixth

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT. (MSD) Motion by Bennett,

supported by McLaughlin to authorize the purchase of eight (8)

portable power generators from Cougar Sales and Rental Inc for a

total not to exceed amount of \$13 699 00 (account no 101 860-977

1600 General Fund Account Homeland Security Grant -

Equipment) Motion carried unanimously Item 4 PURCHASE

OF IRRIGATION SATELLITE BOXES (LSD) Motion by

Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of two 48

Station Toro LTC Satellite Boxes for Pheasant Run Golf Club in the

amount of \$7 087 75 to Spartan Distributors 1050 Updyke Road

Auburn Hills MI 48326 from 584 756 971 0000 Capital Outlay

Motion carried unanimously Item 5 PUBLIC SAFETY LOCKER

ROOM ROOF REPAIR (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by

McLaughlin to approve the bid to repair to the roof at the Police

Department over locker room to Barnett Roofing and Siding Inc

41700 Michigan Ave Canton MI 48188 for an amount \$6,488

(account no 207 301 930 0000 (80 percent Police) Maintenance and

Repair of Grounds and Buildings and in Fire 206 336 930 0000 (20

percent Fire) Motion carried unanimously Item 6 CONSIDER

MORRIS REZONING (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by

McLaughlin to adopt the resolution to rezone the Morris property Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request of Robert Olson (Morris Property) WHEREAS, the

petitioner has requested approximately 2.35 acres located on the east side of Canton Center Road south of Cherry Hill Road be

rezoned from R 3 Single Family Residential District to O 1 Office District and WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in

conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive

Plan and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of

Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the

petitioner to rezone property identified by property tax EDP # 086

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CONSIDER

with scores of 202-266-221/689 with a plus 63 totalling 752 On Feb 20, a stepladder

format was used as John Curtis again came through in the clutch and took the 700 Tournament title for 2005, winning in an exciting final against Grzeski, 258-253

The first match pitted fifthseed Curtis winning against fourth-seeded Gunter, who ran into split problems early on, 262-233 (scores include handicaps)

Curtis then ousted thirdseed Donald Rutherford, 220-185, and then Grzeski, 200-192

■ Top scorers in the Tuesday Night Men's League at Town 'n Country Lanes in Westland included Jim Anthony, 275-244-277/795, Jason Proudlock, 300/714, Tom Lıllıbrıdge, 256-258-224/736, Wes Klocke, Sr, 276/701, Steve Smith, 247-278/737, Harley Duke, 280/730, Tony Grote, 299/751, Paul Grauzer, 279/700

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

### **SPORTS ROUNDUP**

### SOFTBALL CLINIC

The Plymouth High School softball team will be hosting a softball clinic on Saturday, April 9. on the high school's softball field

The clinic will be divided into two parts a beginners session that will run from 9 a m to noon, and an advanced session that will run from 1 pm to4pm

The beginners session will consist of first-time participants who have up to three years of experience and the advanced session will include all athletes who have played more than three years

The cost of the clinic is \$40, which includes a T-shirt

For more information, contact Tom Bondy at (734) 455-5242 or tlbondy@comcast net

### **CHIEFS BOOSTERS**

The next Canton Chiefs Football Booster Club meeting will be held April 5, at 7 p m at the Box Bar in downtown Plymouth

All parents of current and future Canton football players are encouraged to attend as plans for next season will be made

For more information, con-

tact Kathy Powers (734) 416-0664

### **BASEBALL CLINIC**

The annual Salem High School Baseball Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 26 and Saturday, April 9, in the high school gymnasium There will be four sessions and players will be grouped from ages 7 to 10 years old and 11 to 15

The cost of the clinic is \$25, which includes a souvenir Tshirt

To sign up, contact Ron or Pat Myers at (734) 459-4026 or e-mail them at pcmmyers@hotmail com

### **10-STAR HOOP CAMP**

Applications are currently being evaluated for the 10-Star All-Star Summer Basketball Camp, an invitation-only camp for boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 19 years old Past participants of the camp include Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison

The closest Observerland 10-Star camp will be held in Ypsılantı

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weeks No second to motion Motion failed Item 10. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR ST. DAMIAN SCHOOL'S MOM TO MOM SALE. (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve special event status and placement of signs for St Damian School's Mom to Mom Sale on April 19 2005 Motion carried unanimously Item 11 CONSIDER TAX ABATEMENT GUIDELINES REVISION (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the revised Tax Abatement Guidelines for the Charter Township of Canton to be effective March 8 2005 Motion carried unanimously Item 12 TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP FOR A CLASS "C" LIQUOR LICENSED BUSINESS, FOX & HOUND OF MICHIGAN INC. LOCATED AT 1777 N CANTON CENTER ROAD, CANTON, MICHIGAN, WAYNE COUNTY, WITH SUNDAY SALES PERMIT, OFFICIAL PERMIT FOR THE SALE OF FOOD ON SUNDAYS AND ENTERTAINMENT PERMIT TO TENT RESTAURANT OPERATIONS, INC (CLERK)

Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the request from Fox and Hound of Michigan Inc to transfer ownership of the Class C license to be used at 1777 N Canton Center Canton Wayne County Michigan and to operate a Bailey's English Pub & Grill at that location as it currently does now I further move to approve the request to Transfer Sunday Sales Permit An Official Permit for the Sale of Food on Sundays between the hours of 11 00 a m and 12 00 noon and Entertainment Permit Motion carried unanimously Item 13 APPROVE NEW DENTON ROAD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DEBT FUND #876 (FBD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the creation of the Denton Road Special Assessment Debt Fund #876 and the following budget for this fund for 2005 Revenues \$ 48 600 Appropriations \$ 48 600 Motion carried unanimously Item 14 BUDGET AMENDMENTS - CARRYOVER OF FY 2004 OPEN PURCHASE ORDERS TO FY 2005 Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the following budget amendments in the 2005 budgets for purchase order commitments carried over from 2004

### Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings March 8, 2005

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday March 8 2005 at 1150 Canton Center S Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at  $7\ 00\ p\ m$  and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Supervisor Yack introduced the students present from Youth Leadership Abhi Katti, Linda Ling Rebecca Michael Nakita Consul and Michelle Gray were present and on the dais with their appointed Board Member Linda Ling initiated roll call **<u>Roll Call</u>** Members Present Bennett Caccamo Kirchgatter LaJoy McLaughlin Yack Zarbo Staff Present Director Minghine Director Durack Director Santomauro Director Conklin Director Faas Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the agenda as presented Motion carried unanimously Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to approve the Board Minutes of February 22 2005 Motion carried unanimously **Payment of Bills** Motion by Kirchgatter supported by Caccamo to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried unanimously Expenditure Recap for March 8, 2005

Ior March 8, 2009				
General Fund	101	\$	414 208 96	
Fire Fund	206		$392\ 710\ 43$	
Police Fund	207		$60\ 526\ 48$	
Summit Operating	208		$45 \ 948 \ 62$	
Cable TV Fund	230		$17\ 116\ 96$	
E 911 Utility	261		180606	
Federal Grants Fund	274		$641\ 00$	
Auto Theft Grant	289		$6\ 174\ 36$	
Downtown Dev Auth	294		$24\ 767\ 41$	
Cap Proj Bldg Censt	402		35153163	
Golf Fund	584		6 696 60	
Water & Sewer Fund	592		533 928 51	
Construction Escrows	702		91 300 90	
Post Employ Benefits	736		$6\ 807\ 27$	
Total All Funds			1,954,165.19	
Board Member Reports	Trustee Caccamo	presen	ted the Board	

with hterature on TVM and excerpts from emails from citizens CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1 SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH'S "MOM-2-MOM" SALE (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs for Calvary Baptist Churchs MOPS Mom 2 Mom Sale on Sunday, April 16 2005 43065 Joy Road Canton Michigan Motion carried unanimously Item 2 SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR THE PLYMOUTH/CANTON MUSIC BOOSTERS' SPRING ARTS AND CRAFT SHOW. (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs for the Plymouth Canton Music Boosters' Spring Arts & Craft Show on March 19 2005 at Canton High School 8400 Beck Road Canton Michigan Motion carried unanimously Item 3 INSTALLATION OF "CAUTION HANDICAPPED IN AREA SIGN(S). (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt a resolution to allow the installation of two (2) Caution Handicapped in Area" sign(s), actual cost \$242 98 General Fund Account No 101 300 970 0000 on Riverwoods Drive at Pondview Court and authorize the Clerk to sign the application Further that the Township will assume responsibilities for furnishing installing and maintaining the sign(s) Motion carried unanimously Item 4. AUTHORIZE TOWNSHIP CLERK TO SIGN UNDERGROUND EASEMENT FOR FIRE STATION III. (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Township Clerk to execute 2 the Detroit Edison Underground Easement (Right of Way) No 566990 for Fire Station III Motion carried unanimously GENERAL CALENDAR Item 1 CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND FOR LOTUS INTERNATIONAL REQUEST HEADQUARTERS (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for special land use for Lotus International Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Special Use for Lotus International WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor Mr Paul Reschke has requested special use approval for Lotus International to be located on Commerce Drive between Haggerty and Koppernick Roads identified as EDP# 045 99 0008 702 and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed special use to be consistent with the development objectives of the Township and recommended approval and WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed special use and determines the proposal to be consistent with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the Project Sponsor, Mr Paul Reschke to conduct the special use for the proposed Lotus International subject to compliance with any conditions contained herein and all other regulations of the Township Item 2 CONSIDER CLARK GAS STATION SITE PLAN (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for site plan for Clark Gas Station (Ford Road) Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Clark Gas Station (Ford Road) WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor has requested Final site plan approval for the Clark Gas Station located on the northwest corner of Ford and Sheldon Roads (Tax ID # 039 99 0031 003) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed site plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL and WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed site plan and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to • the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the site plan for the Clark Gas Station located at the northwest corner of Ford and Sheldon Roads (Tax EDP # 039 99 0031 003) including the modification to the landscaping requirements as shown on the plan and subject to all other regulations of the Township PURCHASING EIGHT 6000 WATT PROTABLE POWER GENERATIORS THROUGHT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT RECEIVED BY THE

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> PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF THE ROSEWOOD PLACE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT. (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for the Rosewood Place Preliminary Planned Development District Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rosewood Place Preliminary Planned Development District WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor Mr Richard Lewiston has proposed the development of a residential Planned Development District to be known as Rosewood Place PDD located on west of Ridge Road south of Ford Road and east of Napier Road (Tax ID #s 069 99 0015 001 071 99 0003 000 and part of parcels # 069 99 0010 000 and 070 99 0002 000) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission at a public hearing reviewed the proposed Preliminary Planned Development District concept plans and agreement and recommended APPROVAL of Rosewood Place Preliminary Planned Development District based on the following findings of fact 1 The layout of the project is in keeping with the Community's goals and objectives for this part of the community The design of the project demonstrates sensitivity to the preservation and enhancement of several existing natural features 2 The design demonstrates consistency with the spirit and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance and Master Land Use Plan in the development of the project as a PDD creating a higher quality project than might be possible under standard zoning requirements 3 The proposal is in general compliance with Township regulations All requested modifications have been outlined in an attachment to the PDD agreement and submitted for review and approval Additional modifications may be requested as part of the final PDD approval 4 The project has demonstrated that t meets the open space requirements of the PDD regulations NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED. the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does APPROVE the request of the project sponsor Mr Richard Lewiston, to grant approval of the Rosewood Place Preliminary Planned Development District, conditioned upon modification of the PDD agreement to include specific language relative to utility improvements in Patriot Park language to insure that the homes within the development will be of equal or better appearance and quality than those homes in Vintage Valley and Antique Forest Subdivisions and that the project sponsor consider participating in the paving of Napier Road south to Cherry Hill Road and further based upon recommendations made by staff and the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof Item 8 CONSIDER PRELIMINARY PLANNED DEVELOPMENT FOR WESTBURY ESTATES. (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution for preliminary PDD for Westbury Estates Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Preliminary PDD for Westbury Estates WHEREAS, the Project Sponsors have requested Preliminary Planned Development District approval for Westbury Estates located south of Joy Road and west of Beck Road (Parcel nos 017 99 0001 713 and 017 99 0001 723) and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the preliminary PDD plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Fownship and recommended APPROVAL and WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed preliminary PDD plan and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the Preliminary Planned Development District for Westbury Estates located south of Joy Road

and west of Beck Road (Parcel nos 017 99 0001 713 and 017 99 0001 723) subject to all other regulations of the Township Item 9 CONSIDER PURCHASE OF WATER METERS AND METERING CONTROL DEVICES FOR 2005. (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kırchgatter to accept the bid from Etna Supply Company and approve a purchase order not to exceed \$806 093 60 and authorize the Public Works Department to purchase 200 two inch water meters 800 one inch water meters 800 5/8 x3/4 inch water meters 1600 Radio Read Transceiver Units (MXUs)

and associates support control equipment during the 2005 calendar year Funding to come from FY2005 Acct #592 000 111 0003 Roll Call Vote Ayes Bennett Kirchgatter LaJoy McLaughlin Yack Zarbo Navs Caccamo Motion carried Motion by Caccamo to table this item and bring back in two (2)

	CURRENT	BUDGET	AMENDED
<u>FUND</u>	BUDGET	AMENDMENT	BUDGET
General	\$27,897 973	\$156 845	\$28 054,818
Fire	10 889 725	6 860	10,896 585
Police	12 921 818	30 914	12 952,732
Community Center	3 254 433	2 600	3,257033
Community Impr	$2\ 310\ 484$	125 469	2 435,953
911 Service	$247\ 000$	1 534	248534
Capital Proj Roads	1 397 000	222 860	1,619 860
Golf Course	2340578	3 734	2,344 312
Water & Sewer	$27\ 581\ 200$	204 383	27,785,583
Saltz Road SAD	0	$423\ 343$	423,343
Cherry Hill Rd SAD	0	11 309	11 309
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Motion carried unanimously

GENERAL FUND BUDGET AMENDMENT -Item 15 SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PAYMENTS. (FBD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the following budget amendment in the General Fund to move the funds budgeted for payment of special assessment levies on Township owned properties from the General Government Department to the Transfers Out Department Increase (Decrease) Appropriations. SAD Payments-Township Property #101 200 960 0000 \$ (67 464) Contributions to SAD Funds 101 959 965 8000 \$67 464 This budget amendment decreases the General Government Department budget from \$812 678 to \$745 214 increases the Transfers Out Department budget from \$3 064 388 to \$3 131 852, and does not change the total General Fund budget Motion carried unanimously Item 16. TRANSFER TO STRET LIGHTING FUND AND BUDGET AMENDMENTS. (FBD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the transfer of \$10 000 from the General Fund to the Street Lighting Fund to provide funding for street light installation in Pickwick Village subdivision The subdivision property owners will be assessed the installation cost on the December 1, 2005 tax rolls I further move to approve the following 2004 budget amendments Motion carried unanimously Item 17. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF YARDAGE BOOKS FOR PHEASANT RUN GOLF CLUB (LSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to waive the bid procedure and approve the purchase of golf cart yardage books for Pheasant Run Golf Club from Fore Better Golf Inc 348 Donna Lane, Bloomingdale IL 60108 in the amount of \$15 900 from Pheasant Run budget account #584 756 900 0000 Printing and Publishing Motion carried unanimously Item 18 **REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE CANTON TO SERVE AS** TRUSTEE FOR THE GREATER CANTON YOUTH BASEBALL SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION. (LSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to authorize the Clerk to sign on behalf of Canton the agreement authorizing Canton to serve as Trustee for the Greater Canton Youth Baseball Softball Association Motion carried unanimously Item 19 REPLACEMENT TREES FOR CANTON TOWNSHIP PROPERTIES. (LSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the award of bid for the 2005 Park Tree Planting Program to Crimboli Nursery & Landscape 50145 Ford Road Canton MI 48187, in the amount of \$162 350 from Account # 101 285 970 0000 Tree Fund Planting Motion carried unanimously Item 20. APPROVE PAYMENT TO CAMPBELL, INC FOR ADDITIONAL REPAIRS TO ROOFTOP UNITS AT SUMMIT ON THE PARK. (LSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the payment for the additional repairs to the rooftop units at Summit on the Park by Campbell, Inc 661 Airport Blvd Suite 5 Ann Arbor, MI 48106 in the amount of \$7 900 from Community Center Fund Maintenance and Repair Equipment #208 757 932 5000 Motion carried unanimously OTHER: Supervisor Yack stated that there will be no study session on March 15 2005 The next study session will on March 29 2005 Comments by Trustee Caccamo and Mr Brock were presented to the Board ADJOURN Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adjourn at 10 11 pm - Thomas J Yack Supervisor - Terry G Bennett Clerk

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the office of the Charter Township of Canton 1150 S Canton Center Road Canton Mich gan 48188 during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton.mi.org after Board Approval

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# **CC icers return to glory with District 1 state title**

#### BY TIM SMITH STAFF WRITER

Redford Catholic Central worked hard all year to regain that championship feeling again Saturday night, the Shamrocks got it back — blanking East Kentwood 4-0 in the Division 1 hockey state final at Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth

The Shamrocks (24-3-3) won state titles five consecutive years (1999-2003) before losing in the 2004 final to Marquette

So when the final horn sounded, the weight on their collective shoulders lifted in a wild scene joyous Shamrocks flung equipment in the air as if it were their graduation day and fell into a happy pile of royal blueand-white bliss And head coach Todd Johnson stood off to the side, with 3year-old son Evan perched on his shoulder, proudly drinking in the scene

"What makes it really special is I'll never forget the burden the senior class last year carried, trying to keep alive their consecutive streak of state championships,' Johnson said "And I get emotional now when I think about that burden

'These guys didn't necessarily have to carry that burden, but they certainly remember the feeling those seniors had in not winning That makes it real special that we could get that crown back"

Junior goaltender Ross Tashjian stopped all 16 stops that the Falcons (22-7-1) sent his way and a power-play goal by senior forward Mychael Evans at the 10 40 mark of the opening period was all the offense the Shamrocks needed

Pretty much sealing the deal for another CC title was senior forward Harrison Niemann's two goals during the middle stanza

### TOO DEEP

According to Ron Baum, East

Kentwood's 31-year head coach, Catholic Central simply had too many weapons to deal with - Niemann included

"They're way too deep and they have way too many skilled players compared to us," Baum said "But it's been a phenomenal season for the youngest team I've coached in 31 years"

For part of the first period Saturday, that special group gave CC's Johnson and Co some anxious moments

The Falcons registered the first four shots of the game and then put on some serious pressure during a midperiod power play Tashjian held the fort, first with a dazzling pad save on senior forward Zach Grover and then with the blocker stop of a blast from senior forward Shawn Steggles

Johnson said Tashjian's steady goaltending enabled the Shamrocks to overcome nervousness

"They threw a lot of pressure at us (at the beginning)," Johnson said "Our guys were nervous They knew it was a big game"

Meanwhile, Baum said he didn't think an early goal would have made that much of a difference in the final result I don't know if it would have changed the outcome

### LIKE THEY PLANNED

As it was, Catholic Central's Evans scored on the power play to give the Shamrocks a 1-0 lead after one period Junior forward Wade Lafever worked the puck back to sophomore defenseman Dominic Scala, who let a slap shot go from the left point

Evans, stationed in front of East Kentwood senior goalie Sean Pero (27 saves), tipped the puck high into the

cage "We were having a TV timeout, and we just talked about getting the puck down low," Johnson said "We kicked it back to Dominic Scala and he got a good shot through and Mike Evans has scored a boatload of goals like that one there

The Shamrocks started the second period like a totally different team, cranking up the offensive pressure They kept the heat going the entire frame, outshooting the Falcons 15-7

That pressure quickly was rewarded with two goals by Niemann, CC's most prolific offensive forward Excellent plays by teammates set up both tallies

Junior defenseman Tim Buttery deftly carried the puck through the neutral zone and into the East Kentwood end before setting up junior forward Dan Barczuk in the slot Pero made the save, but Niemann drove the rebound under the crossbar, with 10 55 to play

"Timmy Buttery is something special," Johnson said "They gave him a little crack to go and he took it and was able to take advantage'

Just 2 39 later, Niemann struck again to make it 3-0 This time, he skated in from the left circle and snapped a cross-ice pass from senior forward Jason Lewarne past Pero Also assisting was Buttery

### **GRAB FOR GLORY**

In the third, CC outshot the Falcons 10-3 The lone goal came at the 13 14 mark, when junior forward Steve Jankowski scored from junior forwards Drew Kahle and Dan Naurato

But Tashjian came up huge early in the period, when a quick East Kentwood goal could have made it 3-1 and brought back the utters for Johnson's team

On an odd-man rush less than three minutes into the frame, Tashjian threw up his catching glove to snag a dangerous backhander

During the postgame interview, Niemann slapped Tashjian's goalie pad as he congratulated him on the clutch stop

As far as Johnson was concerned, it was just another example of the topnotch goaltending he has received all season from Tashjian and sophomore Bryan Hogan



TOM HOFFMEYER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Catholic Central's Jason Lewarne makes a move around East Kentwood's Aaron Warsen during Saturday's Division 1 state final game held at Compuware Sports Arena in Plymouth CC won, 4-0

### SPORTS ROUNDUP

### **REC OFFERINGS**

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will be running men's and women's slow-pitch softball leagues beginning in early May All games will be played at Don Massey Field in Plymouth

Registration for returning teams begins March 21 while new teams can start registering April 1, or until the leagues full For more information, contact the recreation department at (734) 455-6620

their dribbling, shooting, passing and defensive skills before the upcoming outdoor season commences

The camp is offered for players between the ages of 5 and 8 (from 9 30 a m to 11 30 a m) and for kids between the ages of 9 and 12 (noon to 2 p m) The camp fee is \$75 per player and will be run by HVS staff ers A play group for youngsters between the ages of 1 and 5 will also be available during spring break from 11 a.m to 1 p m The play group allows kids to run, kick and play on the HVS facility's fields The cost 1s \$5 per child Call (734) 487-7678 or visit www.hvsports.com

help recreational players hone

### **HVS SPRING EVENTS**

- High Velocity Sports in Canton will be offering a pair of sports camps during spring break March 28 through April 1.

The all-sports camp includes soccer, flag football, volleyball, floor hockey, dodge ball, kickball and other backyard games Participants will also do teambuilding exercises and take part in fun relay races

The half-day camps for kids between the ages of 5 and 8 years old are \$20 per day while the full-day camps for 8- to 12yéar-olds cost \$35 per day Both camps are also available on Friday, March 25

HVS will also host a soccer camp, which is designed to

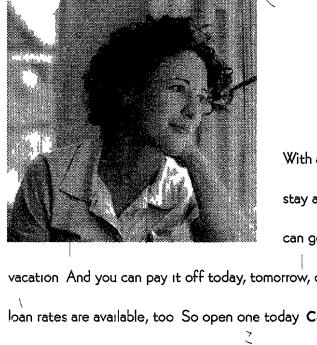
### **GCYBSA SIGN-UP**

Over 1,400 youngsters have registered to play baseball, softball and tee-ball in the Greater Canton Youth Baseball & Softball Association this summer, but it's not too late to sign up To register, visit csc canton-mi org for a registration form and mailing address, or pick up a form at the Summit on the Park, which 1s located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton Call (734) 394-5489



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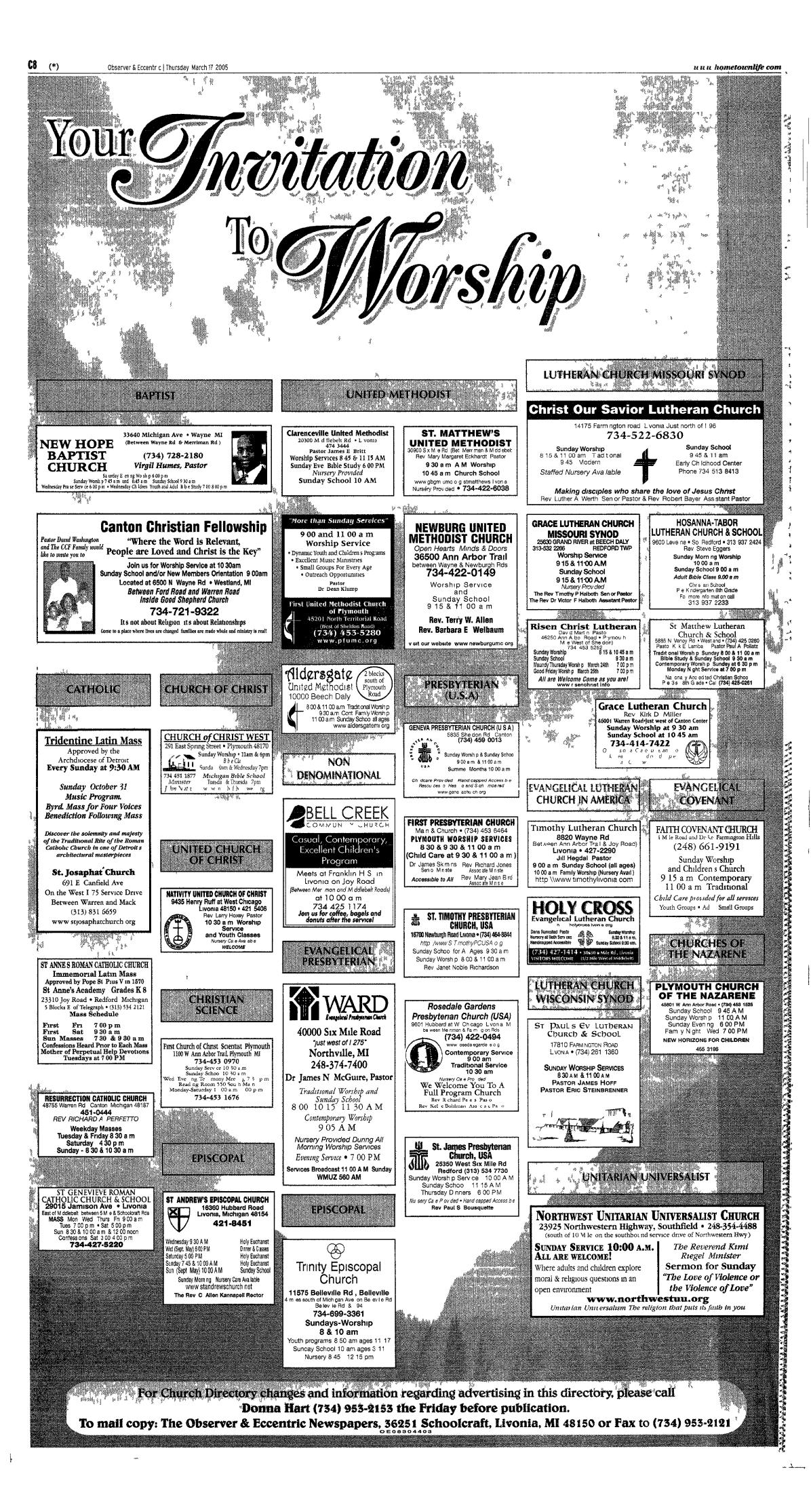
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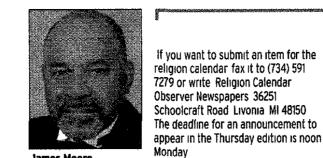
Ruthann Wagner



Stephen Morscheck



**Hye Yoon** 



**James Moore** 

# Local musicians to celebrate Easter with Handel's Messiah

#### BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

The first time Carole Halmekangas heard Handels Messiah was in a New Jersey Presbyterian church She was only 13 but the experience left her as deeply moved as audiences who first heard the oratorio in 1742

Although often performed at Christmastime because the first part is devoted to the birth of Christ, the sacred work actually was written by Handel to celebrate Easter The second and third parts deal with the suffering and death of Christ, his resurrection and ascension into heaven

On March 19, the 107-voice Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir sings part two and three with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra at 7 30 p m in the Northville church

The choir repeats the performance with the church's 40-piece orchestra supplemented with string players from area symphony orchestras and musicians from Stevenson and Churchill high schools 7 p m Palm Sunday, March 20, at the church

Soloists for both performances include bass Stephen Morscheck, tenor James Moore, alto Ruthann

Wagner, and soprano Hye Yoon

"Messiah was originally written in 26 days in March and April 1741 and was definitely devised to be an Easter oratorio," said Carole Halmekangas, director of music at the church and a former longtime resident of Livonia now living in Farmington Hills

"I was in the balcony the first time I heard it It was a magnificent experience for me My mother made us go because she wanted us to have this rich musical heritage The entire work is taken entirely from scripture. mostly the Old Testament It is one of the greatest choral works in history of music, and it's very rare to hear a live performance by local artists of such a high caliber"

Morscheck has performed the Messiah many times in Chicago, Boston, and with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra during the 1999-2000 season He made his debut with the Metropolitan Opera in New York during the 2000-2001 season

Wagner, who is on the music faculty at Eastern Michigan University, has performed Handel's Messiah as well as served as director of music at Lutheran High School in Westland

Moore, a tenor soloist with Hartford Memorial Baptist

Church and Christ Church Detroit, has performed with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra as a soloist in the **Classical Roots series** 

Yoon is an adjunct instructor of voice and piano at Rochester College, and choir director at Korean United Methodist of Troy She has performed as a soloist in the Messiah with the Rochester Community Chorus and **Rochester Symphony** Orchestra

"It's an incredible concert with these four soloists," said Tom Bjorklund, LSO president "The highlight is the Easter portion of Handel's Messiah with the Chancel Choir from the church, but we're also doing the Russian Easter Overture by Rimsky Korsakov on March 19

Tickets for the March 19 concert are \$17 adults, \$8 students and children, and available at all 3 Livonia libraries or by calling (734) 421-1111 A pre-concert lecture begins at 7 p m

There is no charge for the Palm Sunday performance Childcare will be provided through age 4 For more information, call (248) 374-5971

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church is at 40000 Six Mile

Ichomin@oe homecomm net (734) 953 2145

### **RELIGION CALENDAR**

on Jefferson Avenue at Woodward For information call (313) 259 2206 Fish dinner

St Aidan Catholic Church on Farmington Road north of Six Mile in Livonia hosts a Lenten Fish Dinner fea turing cod and salmon pasta and more 5 30 7 p m March 18 in the activi ties center Cost is \$8 for adults chil dren under 10 pay \$4 The menu also includes mixed vegetables colesiaw rolls dessert and coffee tea or milk **Candlelight vigil for peace** 

To mark the second anniversary of the beginning of the war in Iraq 6 30 p m Saturday March 19 on the grounds of Trinity Church of the Brethren 27350 West Chicago Redford People who live in the community are invited to bring

a candle and stand with the Trinity congregation Trinity Church of the Brethren is part of one of the historic peace denominations. During the week preceding the vigil members will erect a growing field of tombstones on church grounds Passion of Christ Trilogy

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A drama featuring flying characters big screen video music high tech stage lighting pros and special effects 6 30 p m Saturday Sunday March 19 20 and Saturday March 26 and 8 a m and 10 45 a m Sunday March 27 Good Friday Drama 12 30 p m March 25 at Detroit World Outreach 23800 West Chicago Redford Call (313) 255 2222 or visit www.wayofvictory.com







On Sunday March 6 2005 Jeannine Marie was called home to spend eter nity with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, after a long battle with Alzhiemer's disease She is the Beloved wife of Robert E Bussart of 47 years Born on December 29 1926 to Amelia and Alexandre Leroux in Ottawa, Ontario Canada She served in the Canadian Navy at the age of 17 and arrived in the United States in 1953 She was preceded in death by her parents, her stepfather Rudolph asse, her brother Leo Leroux sis Lac ters Anita Walchal and Theresa Stocks Jeannine and Robert raised their fami ly in Livonia and she worked for the Livonia Public School Department for over 20 years as a bus driver She was an active member of the Warren Road Light & Life Free Methodist Church where she served her Lord faithfully with her husband Jeannine always wore a smile and with a twinkle in her eye she never met a stranger Her passion for dancing helped to fill her days with joy during her final years Thanks to those who encouraged her to press on and to share in her love for dancing at the Livionia Maplewood and Wayne Senior Centers She is sur vived by her husband, Robert E Bussart of 47 years two daughters Cheryl A Lundin and her husband of Williamsburg, Virginia and Don Cindy M Jury and her husband Jim of Plymouth Michigan six grandchil-

dren Jeannine Whitehead and her hus

### WILLIAM ERVINE LOVELL

94 passed away Sunday, March 13 th, 2005 at University Living in Ann Arbor Born in Columbia, TN on July 30 1910 to Ethel and Ernest B Lovell he graduated from Branham and Hughes Military Academy attended the University of Tennessee and graduated from General Motors Institute m 1933 with a degree in chemical engineering Bill retired as head of the engineering department of Ternstedt division of General Motors after 23 years of service Following retirement he began showcasing his international wood collection with his specialized carvings of ducks As one the founders of the Livonia Woodcarvers Associ ation he traveled to shows around Michigan to display In 1986 he was named his art Member of the Year of the Livonia Woodcarvers Association He also maintained a love of gardening throughout his life Bill lived in Southfield for 50 years His loving wife of 67 years Florence, preceded him in death in 2003 Also preceding him in death were his brothers Ernest George and Philip Left to cherish his memory are his daughter, Sharon (Duane) Bordine of Canton, his son Tom (Marianne) of Beavercreek OH one granddaughter Tina (Mike) Ulring of Dublin OH two grandsons Erik (Vicky) Lovell of Dexter and Bill (Cheryl) Lovell of Columbus OH Bill was also very proud of his 7 great grandsons, Austin Jack Nick Luke and Charlie Lovell and Ryan and Kyle Ulring Funeral services will be held at Thayer Rock Funeral Home 33603 Grand River Ave in Farmington on Thursday March 17 at 7 PM The family will greet friends at the funeral home prior to the service from 3 to 8 PM Bill will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife Florence at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield on Saturday March 19 in lieu of flowers donations may be made in Bill's mem ory to the organizations that were close to his heart International Essential Tremor Association PO Box Joseph Hospice, attn Gail Marie Donations Coordinator 806 Airport Blvd, Ann Arbor MI 48108 or the American Cancer Society

### MAXINE W. MORSE

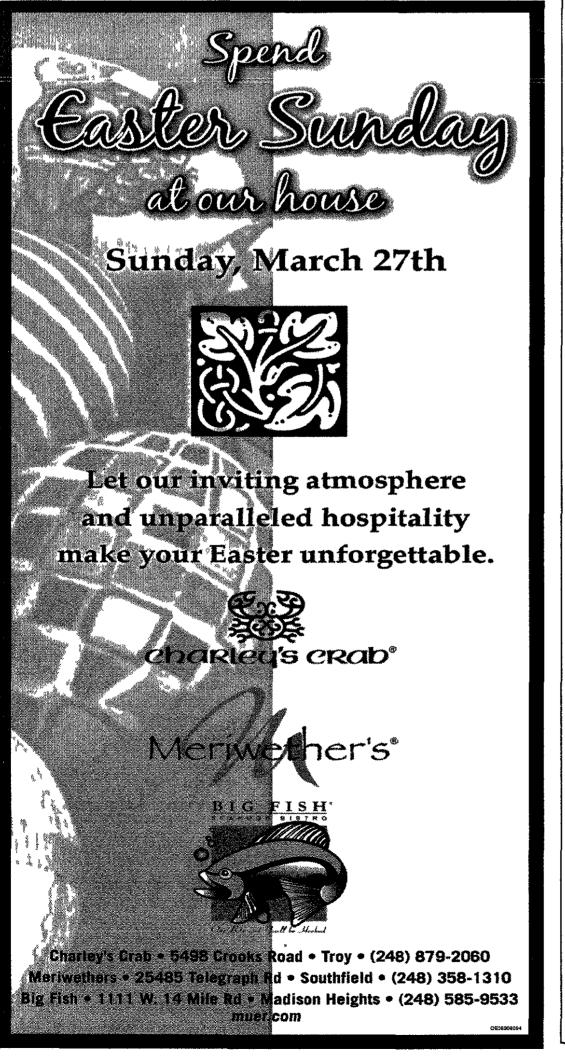
84 March 15 2005 Beloved wife of the late Carl H Mother of Peter H (Patricia) and Harold S (Linda) Grandmother of Peter Carrie, Daniel Matthew Rebecca and Adam Great grandmother of seven Sister of Dr Paul Williams Born in Royal Oak to Dr and Mrs Max Williams, she attended Hillsdale College and the University of Detroit After college, Mrs Morse worked as a Medical Technician at Harper Hospital in Detroit A resident of Royal Oak then Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills She was a member of and active vol unteer for Pi Beta Phi sorority, Hillsdale College Presidents Club, Franklin Community Church Orchard Lake Country Club, the P1 Beta Ph1 Alumnae Club, Friends of the Topinabee Library and the Ridgedale Players An avid golfer, bowler and bridge player Mrs Morse spent sum mers on Mullett Lake Services will be held on March 19, 2005 at 2 00 p m at Franklin Community Church 26425 Wellington Road, FranklinVillage

### MELEK SAMARIAN

March 14 2005 age 82 of Bloomfield Hills Husband of the late Lucy Dear father of Mark (Deborah) Bruce (Lynn) and Ron (Nancy) Grandfather of Jill Amy Michelle Leslie Vincent Derek and Emily Brother of Rose Samarian Also survived by his loving aunt Hermine Garbedian Friends may visit Saturday after 11 30 until memo rial service 12 30pm at A J Desmond & Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel) 32515 Woodward In lieu of flowers memorial tributes to Doctors Without Borders PO Box 1869 Merrified, VA 22116 9644 Obituary at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

### JONATHAN ALEX STONE

Age 63, of Bluffton SC died Wednesday March 9th 2005 at Hilton Head Island Regional Medical



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band Greg Jason Banwart and his wife Dana Christin Jury Bethany Jury, Sarah Jury and Hayley Jury and two great grand children Courtney and Christopher Whitehead Arrange ments are under the care of the Griffin Funeral Home Middlebelt Road, Westland Services will be held at the Warren Road Light & Life Free Methodist Church on Saturday, March 19 2005 at 11 00 am Internment fol lowing at the Parkview Memorial Cemetery 5 Mile Road, Livonia Family and friends will gather at the Griffin Funeral Home on Friday March 18th from 2 00 pm - 8 00 pm Allegan MI, a retured archivist, died Friday, March 11, 2005 at Borgess Medical Center, Kalamazoo, MI Mrs JACK DENT Of Milford, March 14 2005, age 76 Loving husband of Patricia Dear father of Dana (Cynthia) Dent of Milford and Lisa (Thomas) Baldwin of Commerce Twp and grandfather of Alexa and Erik Also leaves his niece, Karen (John) Dicicio, nephew David Cheesbro and his beloved dog Mattie Funeral from Lynch & Sons Funeral Home 404 E Liberty Milford, Thursday 2PM, Pastor Richard Pape officiating Burial Milford Memorial Cemetery Friends may visit on Wednesday from 4 9PM For informa tion please call at 248 684 6645 or www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com JOHN KRASNICK Beloved husband of the late Adeline Krasnick, Dear father of Dulcie (Norman) Rosenfeld & William (Marjorie) Krasnick Loving Grand father of Jill (Evan) Stone, Nancy Rosenfeld, Henry Rosenfeld, James (Peggy) Rosenfeld, Dr Neal (Sarah) Krasnick, Steven (Jodie) Krasnick and Dr Robert (Dr Jane) Krasnick Great Grandfather of Elizabeth and Adam Stone Benjamin and Harrison Rosenfeld, Bradley Brian, Nathan Ellie Marla, Evan Rachel Leah & Julie Krasnick Brother of the late Samuel Krasnick the late Max Krasnick, the late Ida Krasnick, the late Blanche Brown & the late Jennie Warren Services 2 00 PM Thursday March 17, 2005 at Clover Hill Park Cemetery Chapel Arrangement by the Ira Kaufman Chapel (248) 569 0020 Or visit us at www irakaufman com **BEATRICE M. LAMET** Age 86, died March 14 2005 at Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital She was a lifelong resident of Bir ming ham graduated from Birmingham High School and worked for the Birmingham School System Preceded in death was her husband

Joe Lamet and her sister Evelyn Joe Lamet and her sister Evelyn Brittan Survived by her son, William (Sharon) Lamet of Attica Twp, MI her daughters Jolly (John) Covert of Scotsdale, AZ Kathy (William) Kern of Farmington Hills MI 6 Grandchildren and 7 Great grandchil dren Visitation was held Wed from 4 9pm at Sawyer Fuller Funeral Home Services held Thus 1pm at Funeral Home Burial at Roseland Park Memorials can be given to Karmanos Cancer Foundation



### **DIONE MILES**

Miles was born November 26, 1921 in Mineapolis MN, the daughter of Lloyd Randolph DeWitt Fayling and Ida May (Warner) Fayling Her family lived on a houseboat in White Bear Lake MN they later moved to Kalamazoo, MI She met her late hus-band, Richard D Miles in 1939 at Kalamazoo College, where she gradu-ated with honors and a double major in history and journalism They married before Mr Miles enlisted in the US Army Air Corps and after he returned from the war, they settled in Ann Arbor, MI In 1947 they moved to Detroit, MI, where he began many years of teaching in the History Department at Wayne State University Mrs Miles raised seven children, and was active in community and school affairs in Detroit and Highland Park, MI In 1959 she brought the children by freighter to India, where they joined her husband, who was taking up a Fulbright Professorship for one year in Madras (Chennai) She later earned an MLS degree at Wayne State University, and held the position of archivist at Wayne States Walter P Reuther Library She was a specialist in labor history and published Something in Common An IWW Bibliography (Wayne State University Press 1986), a reference book on the International Workers of the World Mrs Miles was awarded an emeritus membership in the Midwest Archives Conference for her many contributions to the organization She enjoyed read ing traveling opera and theater, and collecting cookbooks Mrs Miles is survived by seven children, Julie Miles of Amherst MA, Dr Linda Miles Coppens of Black Mountain, NC Karen (Thomas) Voigts of Allegan MI Dr Margaret M Miles of Irvine, CA Rebecca J Miles of Allegan MI, Jon R Miles of Escondido, CA, and Michael (Laura) Miles of Niles MI, 1 sister, The Rev Enid Fayling Smith 9 grandchildren 10 great grandchildren The family will receive friends from 4-6 pm Thursday March 17, at the Gorden Funeral Residence, Allegan Chapel www.gordenfuneral.com Private memorial services will be held at a later date Memorial contributions may be made to the Dione Miles Memorial Library Fund, established in memory of her love of young adult lit erature and her constant encourage ment of reading, at the LE White Middle School, 3300 115th Ave, Allegan, MI 49010

Center He was born November 4th 1941 in Presque Isle, Maine the son of Kathryn McGown and Richard H Stone He lived in Farmington Hills, MI for thirteen years before retiring to Bluffton, SC in 2001 He was an Environmental Health and Safety consultant for both governmental and private industries a wine connoisseur and a graduate of the University of Maine in 1964 Family members include his late wife Jill R. Olsen Stone (2001) current wife Kathleen M Stone of Bluffton, SC son Jay A Stone 31 of Royal Oak MI, daugh ter Julie Stone Eirschele, 29, of Plymouth, MI and Brother Richard Stone, of Waller TX Services will be held at Maple Grove Cemetery in Bath, ME in May Contact the cemetery for service information at 207 443 8345 Donations can be made to Special Olympics or American Heart Association

### **URSULA C. WILLS**

Age 90 March 7 2005 Beloved wife of the late Henry and Mother of the late Ursula Diane Dear sister of the late George Rasko Loving mother of Michael (Suzanne) and Robert (Mary Jo) Wills Dearest Grandmother of Blair, Holly, Matthew and Katie Cherished cousin and friend of Theresa MacLellan Arrangements by Sawyer-Fuller Funeral Home of Berkley Services and interment to take place privately Memorial dona-tions to Evangelical Home Sterling Heights 14900 Shoreline Drive Sterling Heights MI 48313 are appre-ciated Mrs Wills had lived in Southfield since 1939 She was a homemaker who loved to play cards Also she was active in the Berkley and Lathrup Village Senior Centers

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Derek Dufrane, a junior

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The Belleville native recorded

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### SUMMER CAMPS

### **CROSS COUNTRY CAMPS**

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Madonna University will be stage a series of summer cross county base camps

The youth camp will be from 8 a.m to 9 30 a m, Monday through Friday, July 25-29 (cost 1s \$55), base camp, 8-10 30 a m, Aug 1-5 (cost \$75), and long runs, 7-9 a m Saturday, July 9, 16, 23, 30 and Aug 6 (cost \$7 each Saturday)

For registration information, call MU head cross country coach and camp director Pat Daugherty at (734) 432-5634 (office) or evenings at (734) 658-0226 (cell) You can also email him at

pdaugherty@madonna edu

### SPARTAN SUMMER CAMPS

Livonia Stevenson High School will be offering a series of summer sports camps through the Community **Education Enrichment** Program

The deadline to enroll is Monday, May 23

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Among the camps offered Boys basketball (incoming grades 5-9) — 9 a m until noon, Monday through Friday, June 20-24, at the new fieldhouse Directed by coach Bill Dyer and staff Cost 1s \$79 (course No 9214),

Girls track and field (incoming grades 7-12) - 9 a m untilnoon, Monday through Friday, June 20-24, at the outdoor track Directed by coach Kelly Graham and staff Cost 1s \$79 (course No 9221),

Girls volleyball (incoming grades 7-10) - 12 45-2 45 p m, Monday through Friday, June 20-24 and Monday through Thursday, June 27-30, at the competition

Directed by coach Kelly Graham and staff Fee is \$99 (course No 9229),

Girls softball (incoming grades 4-9) - 10 a m to 1 p m, Tuesday through Thursday, June 21-23, at the softball field Directed by coach Rob Witherspoon and staff Cost 1s \$50 (course No 9223).

Girls basketball (incoming grades 7-9) — 8-10 a m , Monday through Friday, June 27-July 1, at the new fieldhouse

Directed by coach Tim Newman and staff Cost is \$55 (course No 9227) For more information, call

(734)744-2602

Back to cold reality That's what the Madonna

University baseball team is facing after returning from Florida with a 13-1 record on its spring trip — its best start in school history

The Crusaders wrapped up their tour in Port Charlotte with a 2-0 shutout Friday over winless Lakeland (Wis) Collegiate as starter Mike Hand raised his record to 2-0 with 5 2 innings of one-hit baseball He struck out four and walked two

Also pitching scoreless innings were Ryan Bardoni, Andy Wojcik and Kyle Fedorka.

MU scored both of its runs in the third inning thanks to a single by Fedorka, an RBI single by Jason Barbeau and an

RBI single by Joe Greene Earlier in the day at the Charlotte Complex, MU defeated Purdue-North Central, 8-4, as pitcher Will Kennedy (Westland John Glenn) upped his record to 2-0 with five innings of two-hit baseball Kennedy struck out three and did not walk a batter Reliever Paul Hays gave up two runs on three hits in one-third of an inning Scott Miller came on to pitch the final 12 innings

MU third baseman Gary Van Allen went 3-for-3 with two RBI, while David Herrick (Livonia Churchill) went 2-for-2 Barbeau and Green also knocked in two runs apiece, while Tony Kern and John McCracken had one each

Designated hitter Chris

# Nie shines in Whalers' 2-0 win over Greyhounds

**Crusaders return from 13-1 spring trip** 

(2-8)

Plymouth goaltender Ryan fans at the Compuware Sports Nie stopped all 26 shots he Arena With the victory, Plymouth improved to 29-28faced en route to a 2-0 victory over the Sault Ste Marie 8-6, which puts the Whalers in Greyhounds in an Ontario second place in the OHL's Hockey League game played West Division, five points Sunday afternoon before 3,347 behind the division-leading

Greyhounds, and four points ahead of idle Windsor The Whalers clinched second place in the OHL West and is currently sixth place overall in the Western Conference The game's first star was

Stocker went 2-for-3 with four

**RBI** for Purdue-North Central

For the week of March 14,

Conference Player of the Week

Pinckney hit 500 with a dou-

also slugged at an 786 percent

MU senior Adam Kline was

named WHAC Pitcher of the

Week for his efforts in a 4-1

win last week over Malone

(Ohio) The Detroit native,

now 2-0, pitched a complete

game with 10 strikeouts and

just one unearned run in seven

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Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic

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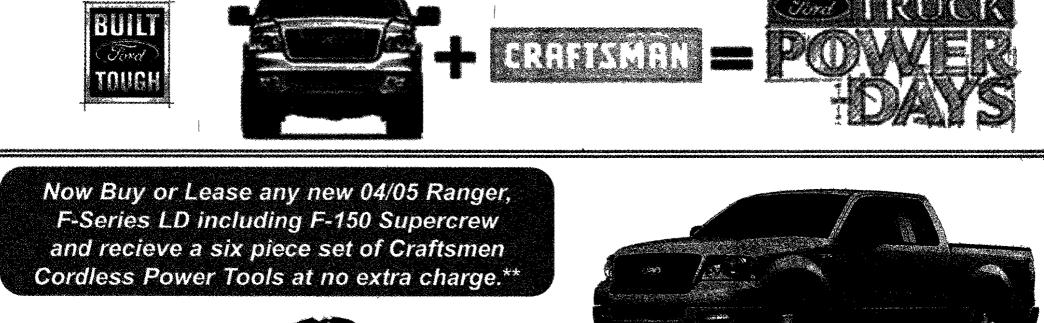


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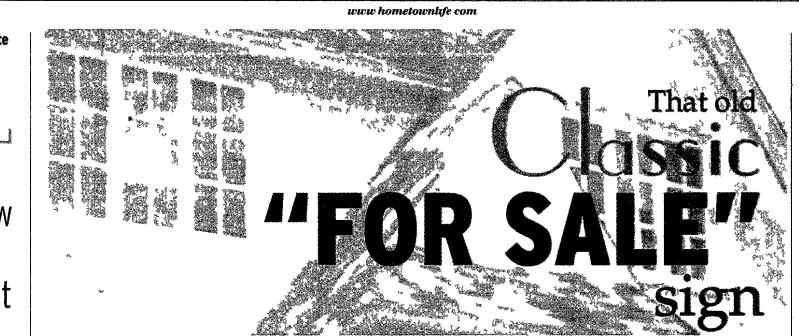
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# Federal housing law defines harassment

I live in a homeowners association and I believe that the Board of Directors has been writing anti-Semitic graffiti on the side of my home and vandalizing my property. I think it's a federal housing violation Do you have any comments?

In a similar case the plaintiff sued the homeowners association and their neighbors under the Fair Housing Act which makes it unlawful to coerce intimidate, threaten or interfere with any person in the exercise or enjoyment of the rights provided under the Act The defendants in that case argued that the statute only prohibited conduct that interfered with a persons right to acquire or hold property but the court said that under HUD regulations it is forbidden to threaten, intimidate or interfere with persons in their enjoyment of a dwelling because of their race, color religion sex handıcap familial status or national origin of such person or visitors or associates of such persons The Court went on to find that the contact alleged in the complaint constituted a violation of the statute There must be a pattern of harassment invidiously motivated in order to sustain liability, not mer quarrel among neighbors in which a racial or religious slur 15 hurled



## Traditional methods still tops when selling a home

BY NORMAN PRADY CORRESPONDENT

The strongest signs point to the sıgn

Of all the marketing methods they can use, that classic old For Sale" sign on a post in your front yard remains a favorite tool a real estate agent uses to draw home buyers to your house

We collect data on a monthly basis about where our calls come from," said Bill Bouscher sales agent with Prudential Cranbrook Realtors in Troy

"We want to know what causes people to call us and the sign in front of the house is number one

And at sales agent Mona Parlove's A St. company, when people call in, we track where the calls came from Ninety percent from the sign Parlove

is with Hall & Hunter in Birmingham But as potent as the sign seems to

be, it's just one of many marketing choices an agent has, Bouscher said "You get a listing agreement,"

Bouscher said, "and you say, now we re going to market your house He might produce a property flier with a photo and descriptions of the

house and rooms He might put the house on the bro-

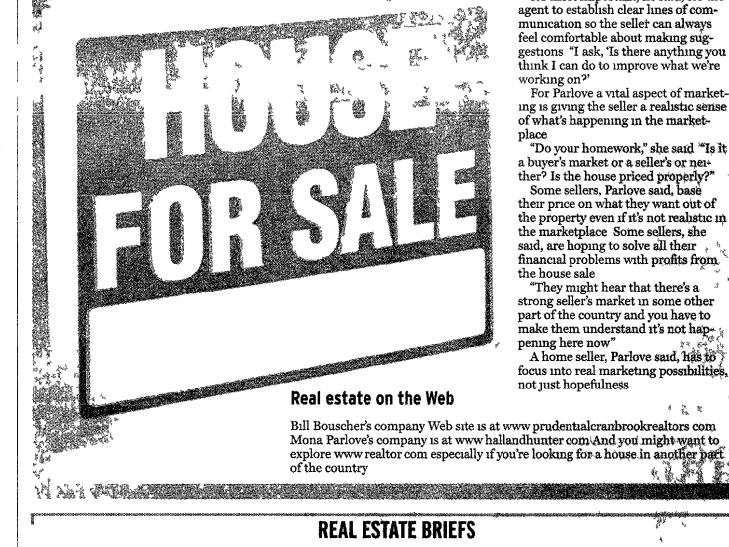
ker tour, regular Tuesday and Thursday events where other agents from his company, as well as agents and brokers from other real estate companies, can preview the house, getting to know it firsthand so they can recommend it to house hunters

"Newspaper ads with pictures are beneficial, he said "Buyers tend to be visual They want to see the house"

Bouscher said he might use postcards, mailing a hundred or so to other homeowners in the area asking them to refer house hunters who'd like to live in their neighborhood

"The objective," he said, is to sell the house as quickly as possible for the best price and you re going to do as much as you can within your capabilities

And the capabilities continue to expand, he said, especially on the Internet



'Virtual tours of individual houses are wonderful They started about 1999 and now are pretty much standard procedure Fantastic way to get information out

It could be through a broker's own Web site in a specific area or through Realtor com

Even as the Internet continues to help generate more sales activity, Bouscher said, it's amazing that good old-fashioned basics still are in control of the market

\*Before doing an open house, we 🚯 hang flags on doorknobs throughout the area Maybe send out letters But the sign will always draw interest"

A sales agent, Bouscher said, starts by presenting his selling client with a marketing plan that outlines all the steps they'll take together "so the seller knows what to expect

Theres no cost to the seller" for materials the agent produces, "it's part of the service we provide

"Some sellers are very concerned 🥤 about the marketing activity and some turn their backs and say just get rid of it for me"

It's most important, he said, for the agent to establish clear lines of communication so the seller can always feel comfortable about making suggestions "I ask, 'Is there anything you think I can do to improve what we're

For Parlove a vital aspect of marketing is giving the seller a realistic sense of what's happening in the market-



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# to grab FHA refunds

t used to be that borrowers could enjoy the wonderful benefits of FHA loans and receive a little refund from the government if they stayed in the loan for only a few years Effective immediately, that pot of gold at the end of the FHA rainbow has all but disappeared

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On Jan.y 6, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005 amended the National Housing Act to eliminate refunds of the Federal Housing Administration's (FHA) upfront mortgage insurance premiums except when the borrower refinances to another mortgage to be insured by the FHA The changes would be retroactive to FHA files closed on or after Dec 8, 2004

The new law further compresses the amount of time that eligible borrowers may receive refunds from five years to three A year ago, a hypothetical FHA borrower could have refinanced out of her year-old \$150,000 FHA mortgage and received a refund from HUD for about \$2,000 Today, that same borrower will get zilch, nada, nothing

Homeowners who have borrowed under the FHA's ld rules will be grandfa thered and, thus, will still be entitled to a prorated refund Those refunds can be beefy for loans less than a few years old, but become less meaningful as they age closer to the old five-year hmit Now, I still believe in FHA mortgages for many borrowers because they offer flexibility for borrowers with bruised credit and the means for home buyers of all ages to get reasonable rates with a relatively small down payment However, these recent changes to HUD's refund policy will cause me to re-think how many FHA mortgages I will write for my clients in the future Today's TIMBIT If you are currently in an FHA loan that originated in 2000 or later, you should contact a competent lender immediately if you wish to retain your right to any sort of FHA refund This is especially true for those of you have an FHA adjustable-rate mortgage or a fixed interest rate of 7 percent or more Timothy Phillips is amortgage banker and newspaper columnist You may access his Wealth Academy~ archives\_at www.PhillipsHQ.com or phone him toll free at (866) 369 4516 Home buyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation

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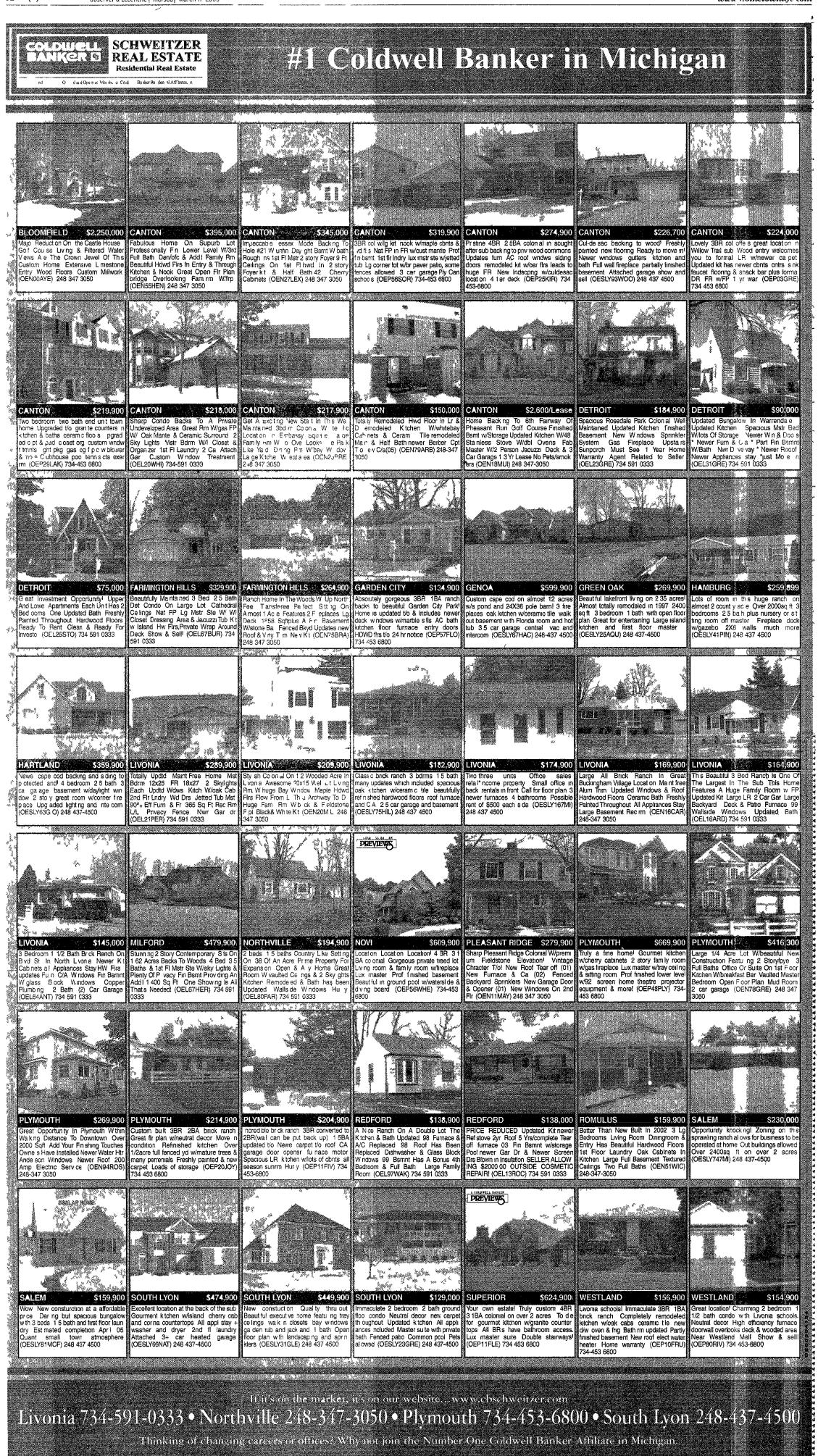
5<sup>47</sup>4 1 and seminars on an onocing basis at 4 its headquarters There is a fee for the courses For more information contact the BIA at (248) 862 1033

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Calling first-time homebuyers The staff at RE/MAX Alliance in Livonia is conducted a free homebuyer's sem inar at 11 a m Saturday at its offices at 37569 Five Mile Road Reservations are required as seating is limited. For more information, call Faye Rassey at (734) 462 3600



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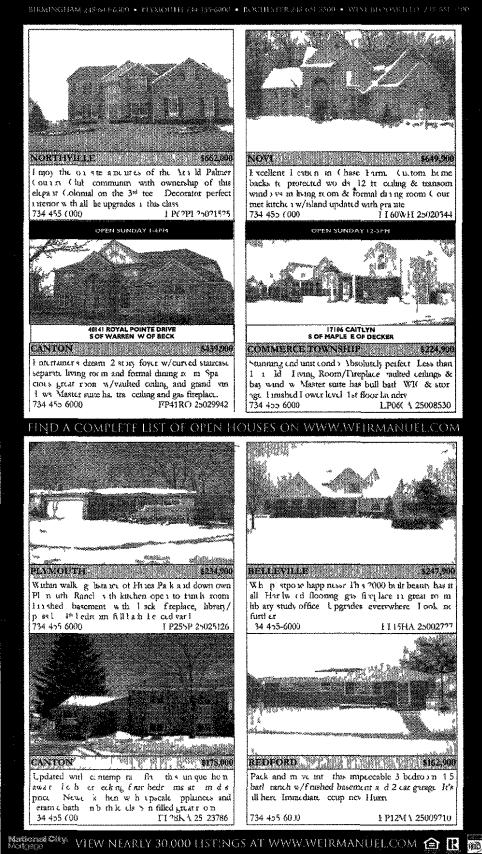
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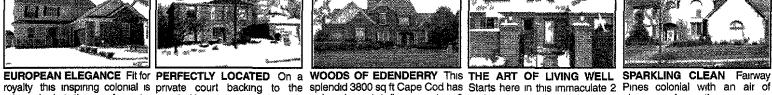
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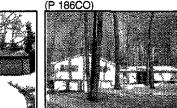
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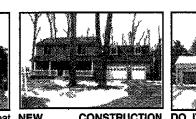


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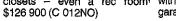


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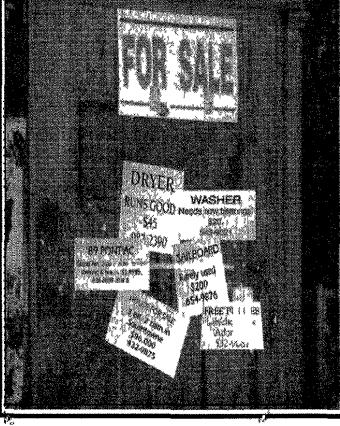


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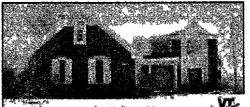
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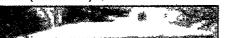
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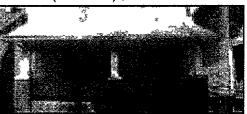
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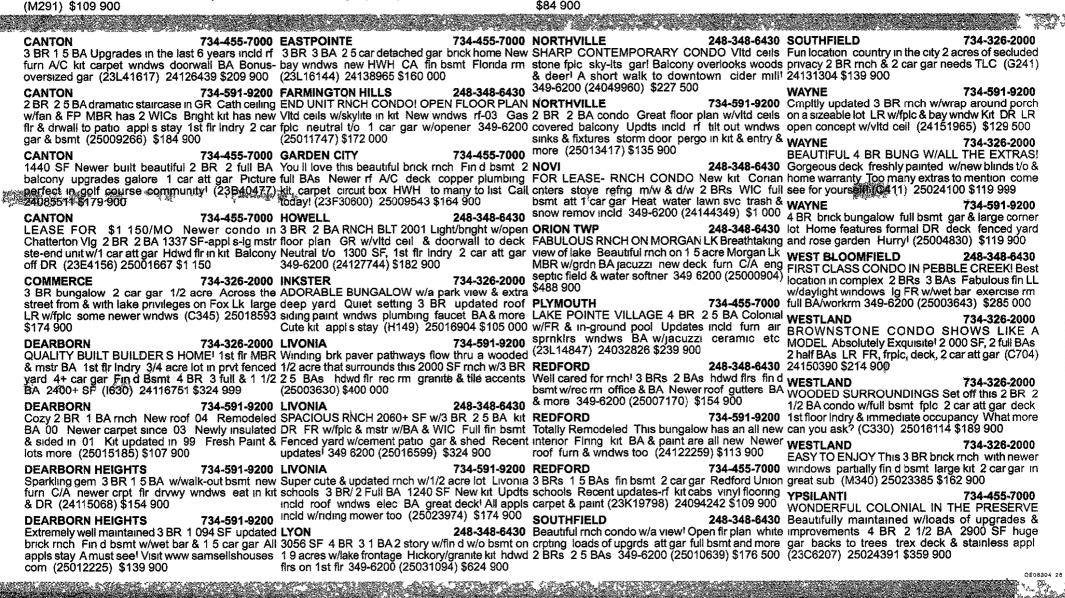
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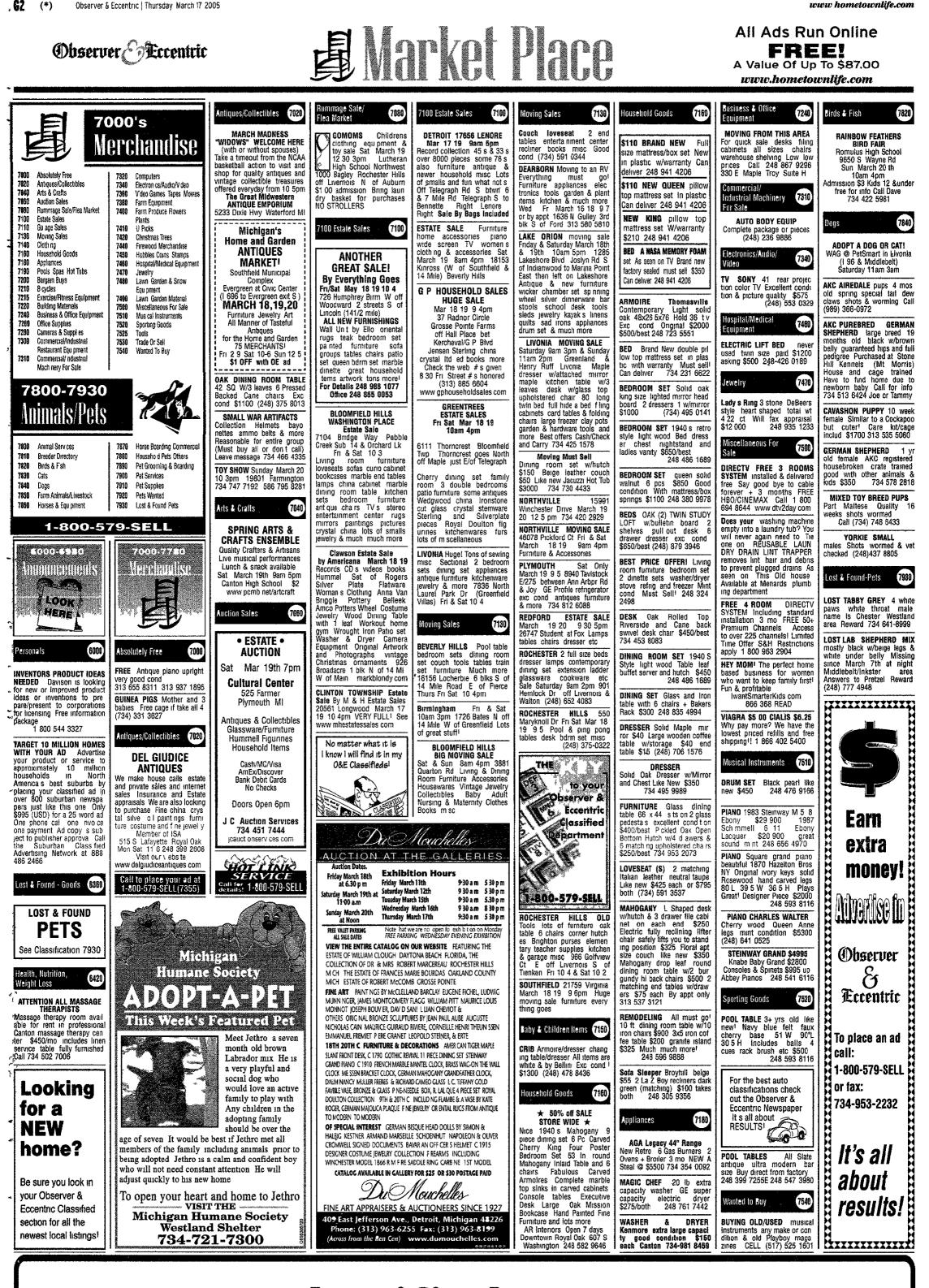


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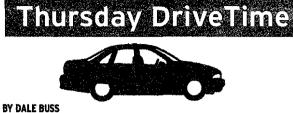
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#### WRANGLER SPORT by Dale Buss

I'm not an off-road kind of guy My wife likes me to keep the family vehicles spotless, though I often fail on that score I don't like the thought of having to wash the mud off of something I'm driving -- because then I have to hose down the entire driveway And I'm a bit disturbed even by the feeling of mistakenly going over a curb while turning into the supermarket parking lot

So when it came to driving and reviewing the 2005 Jeep Wrangler Sport - the original and still champion off-road vehicle - I knew that I needed the help of someone who both enjoyed and understood what vehicles were supposed to do off-road, and what those offroad specialty vehicle were supposed to do while they were on the road That's why I recruited my friend Jon to help me conduct this evaluation And he didn't disap point me

Jeep Wrangler, of course, is an iconic brand within the automotive world It is the father of the utility vehicle, deriving as it does from the original Jeeps that were designed to give our troops a battlefield edge in World War II Although the original concept has been redesigned several times over the last 60 years, it's still Jeep Wrangler more than anything else that promises to be capable of supporting just about any adventure far and wide

And more than any other vehicle on the road, Wrangler still offers this world-class capability at reasonable prices The Sport model I reviewed carries a suggested retail price of only \$25,750

Jon is a young man who is a certifiable off-roader and a Wrangler fan Nothing gets him more excited than pulling into some friend's driveway with his late-Nineties-vintage Wrangler slathered in mud (pebbles are an extra) and looking practically undriveable because his windshield is caked over When vandals punched holes in his plastic windows and razored one side of his Wrangler a few months ago, rather than be



The "creeper" first gear in the Wrangler allows the driver maximum con-1/21 trol for creeping over rocks and other stuff.

ticked off, he nearly celebrated the fact that it made his vehicle seem more capable of surviving abuse

Anyway, Jon was enthused as he helped me evaluate the 2005 Wrangler Sport, even before he got into it The version I have was Impact Orange on the outside, a dazzling color that pokes through muck pretty easily On the other hand, I had to get used to the vehicle even before I got into it I banged my shin on the high door sill because I didn't look down to see that it wasn't your usual automotive ingress

While I was driving the Wrangler, I enjoyed many things about its on-road capability With a short wheelbase and an extremely sharp turning radius, Wrangler Sport provides a certitude around corners that I really appreciated, almost the same feeling of total control that you get with a vehicle that has four-wheel steering I also found the six-speed manual transmission to shift relatively gracefully and to provide plenty of oomph at normal and even fast highway-driving speeds

I wasn't as crazy about the poor fuel economy of Wrangler Even though it's a small and light vehicle, its 4 O-liter Power Tech I-6 engine only puts out 15 miles per gallon in the city and 19 on the highway Of course,

its hauling around a lot of hardware related to Wrangler's mimitable four-wheel-drive system Neither did I care for the amount of wind noise in the vehicle, which made it difficult to appreciate the seven-speaker sound system with subwoofers and tweeters

Of course, that's where Jon came in He informed me that this new version of Wrangler is the best much better about damping wind noise than earlier versions And he testified that, through all the extraneous decibels, he could still determine that Wrangler's sound system is comparable to the Ford Monsoon system that is included in upscale vehicles

Jon also observed that Wrangler proceeded solidly through deep potholes on one of northern Oakland County's damnable dirt roads, even at speeds as high as 35 mph, the vehicle held well to the road and didn't bounce despite its light weight More than anything, Jon liked the "creeper" first gear in the Wrangler, which allows the driver maximum control and traction while in low-range four-wheel-drive mode at speeds of no more than a few miles an hour, for "creeping" over rocks and other stuff off-road without stalling out

If Jon 1s happy with Wrangler Sport, I'm happy



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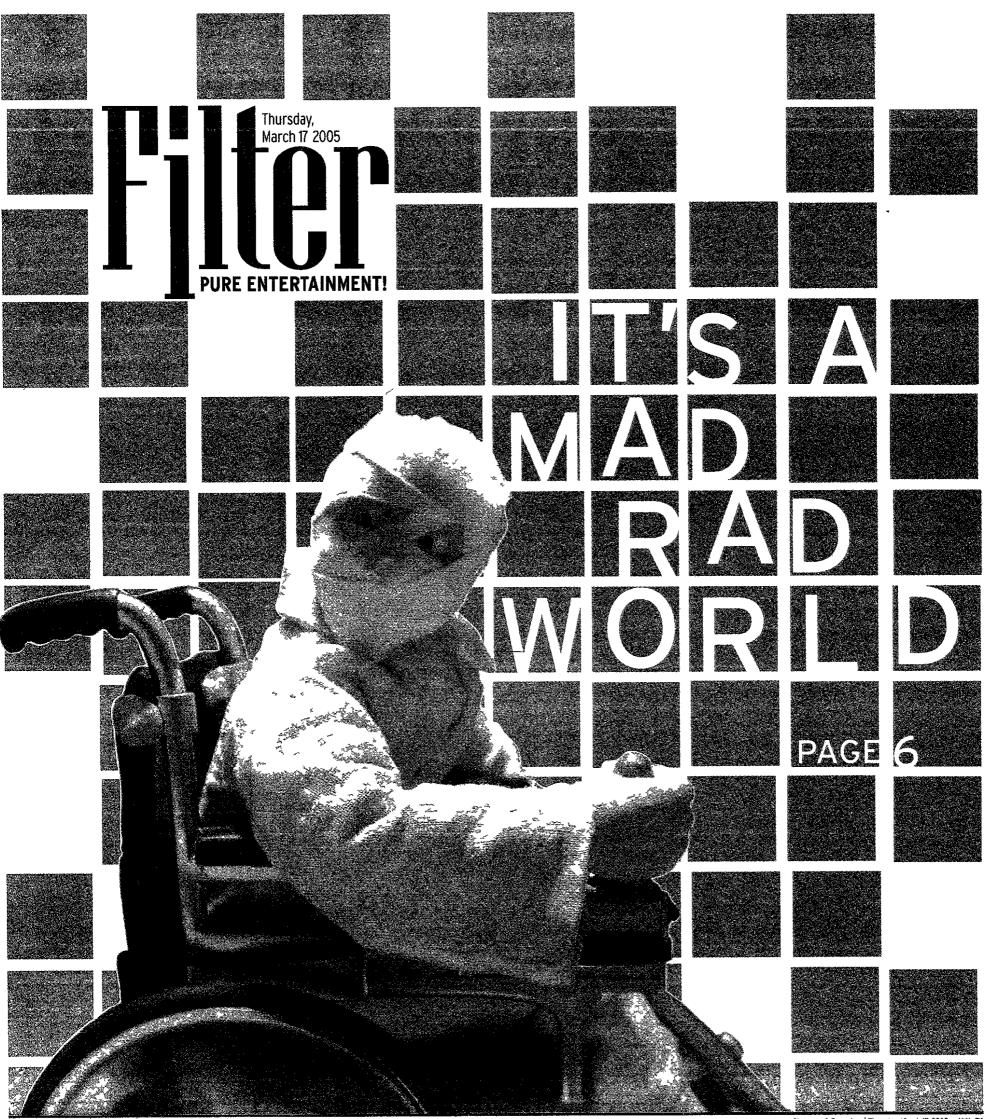
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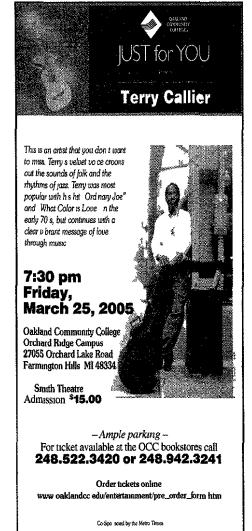
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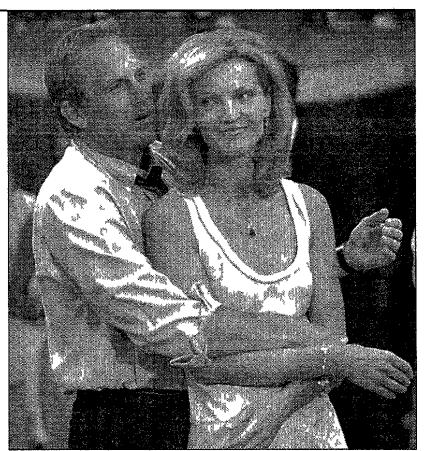
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Mike Binder also stars in 'Upside of Anger'

# Homegrown genius



Kevin Costner and Joan Allen star in 'The Upside of Anger'

### Binder boys talk hometown, geniuses and 'Upside of Anger'

**BY LANA MINI** Staff Writer

"How many geniuses does one meet in a lifetime?" Mike Binder asked rhetorically He answers his own question "Very,

very few you can probably count them on one hand" Actor Joan Allen, Binder said, is one of

those geniuses The writer/director/actor is so inspired by her talents that he wrote the film *Upside of Anger* for Allen

Upside of Anger, a dramatic comedy, is released this weekend and features an impressive cast including Allen, Kevin Costner, Binder, Erika Christensen, Evan Rachel Wood, Keri Russell and Alicia Witt Binder also directed the film and his brother, Jack, is a producer

The Binder boys, formerly of Birmingham, have done well in Hollywood and visited their hometown last week to promote the film They were more than happy to return to their old stomping grounds, showing as much enthusiasm for their high school classmates as they do their work.

The brothers often collaborate Jack Binder produces Mike Binder writes, acts and directs Together they've worked on the films Minority Report, The Contender, Crossing the Bridge, Diner, televisions The Mind of the Married Man and Upside of Anger plus many more This year, they are also creating a film titled Man About Town, a dramatic comedy starring Ben Affleck

"I'm the creative side, he's the numbers man," Mike Binder said referring to his brother "Growing up with other siblings we weren t the closest with each other, but

#### UPSIDE OF ANGER What A movie created by brothers

Mike and Jack Binder, formerly of Birmingham Written by and directed and featuring Mike Binder, produced by Jack Binder

Starring Joan Allen, Kevin Costner, Erika Christensen, Evan Rachel Wood Keri Russell and Alicia Witt Synopsis: Comedic drama about a

suburban wife whose husband disappears and the problems she faces alone with her four headstrong daughters As the wife turns to alcohol she develops a relationship with an offbeat neighbor and the whole family must juggle their own roman tic dilemmas as well as each other's **Opens** Friday March 18

as a team now we work really well"

They're warm, smart and they make

are humble about their success Mike

Binder, who also had his own HBO One

Night Stand comedy special and was also

featured on the Eleventh Anniversary of

William, Richard Pryor and Jim Carrey, is

the Comedy Store special with Robin

one of those actors whose name isn't

always remembered but face 1s familiar

"No one knows my name or my face,

each other, and other people, laugh They

but then they think of the movies and usually say oh, yeah, you're that guy from that movie "Mike Binder said "It doesn't matter, I just hope to make good movies"

Movies that make people think, he said And movies that make them laugh and feel, his brother added

"(Upside of Anger) tackles the emotion of anger," Mike Binder said "That it's a wasted emotion I hope it's a film that resonates with people"

Upside is about a suburban housewife (Allen) whose life takes a strange turn when her husband disappears Suddenly she must deal with her stubborn daughters, her affection for alcohol and her strange neighbor (Costner), whom she develops feelings toward Life gets weirder as her daughters get involved with Costner as a father figure and their own romantic endeavors seep into the household

'It's a coming of age film for Allen," Mike Binder said "She is the best And it's a comeback film for Costner, not that he ever really left, but I think it's one of his best roles in a long time"

Despite his success, he isn't immune from feeling hurt when critics are harsh

"Sometimes they're just mean-spirited," Binder said "I would never write something intentionally hurtful beyond a basic critique"

Whether a critic likes them or not, the audiences do

"We want to make movies that people talk about afterward during dinner," Jack Binder said

"I have a great job – writing and acting – how many other people get paid for pretending? Mike Binder said

# Family fun Moms kick out the jams for tiny hip hoppers

#### **ART JAM WITH THE CANDY**

#### BAND

What This event for kids 3-8 is a rock concert performed by four stay-at-home moms who make punk rock nursery rhymes Music crafts and light refreshments When 11 a m, Saturday March 19

Where Erhard BMW of Farmington Hills 38700 Grand River Ave, Farmington Hills

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Phone (248) 306-6800 For more information Visit www.candyband.com

#### BY LANA MIN STAFE WRITER

There aren't any teenagers angrily pumping their fists to the beat at this punk rock show Instead, children barely 8 years old are raising little fists happily to imitate the shape of rocks

Hands in the air, they lay their hands flat to make the form of paper Then scissors The kids are rocking to the beat of the hard rock song Rock, Paper, Scissors sung by four rocking Oakland County moms who formed the Candy Band

It's an aggressive, energetic band that plays hard punk rock for kids

And for parents, too Nursery rhymes rock 'n' roll style Some songs, like Rock, Paper, Scissors, are written by the Candy Band They also do hard versions of cover songs like Itsy Bitsy Spider The Candy Band say the harder they rock the more children ages 3 to 8, and their parents, like it The Candy Band is making

headlines nationwide and are performing at Art Jam, a free concert at 11 a m on Saturday, March 19. at Erhard BMW m Farmington Hills The show is a partnership event between the dealership and the city of Farmington Hills Special Services Department

"It's an exciting band that kids" can relate too," said Nancy Coumoundouros of the special services department "There is no one like them The kids can also make their own percussion instruments there to play along with the band " Refreshments will be served, too

Pleasing parents musically, and also kids, was important for the Candy Band The songs often have more of a feel of The Clash, Iggy Pop or the Ramones instead of sleepy nursery rhymes

Band founder Paula Messner, formerly of the popular 1980s Detroit band Vertical Pillows, has played gutar for 30 years She's always listened to heavy metal and punk rock When she became a mom, she quickly tired

CDs that sell strongly at their shows and from their Web site Messner said "And I found other

It's also sold at local candy stores Band members took on childchange that. I like energetic really friendly stage names like aggressive music and kids do, too" Starburst, Kit Kat, Almond Joy and Skittles They wear tiaras

and fun clothing "The kids really like the song Ken Lost His Head," Messner said 'It's about Ken's life with Barbie after he lost his head he can't eat, he can't have fun, his life isn't the same'

The band's popularity has

PLEASE SEE CANDY, D15



The Candy Band is composed of four stay-at-home moms who create music for young kids. No syrupy sound here, this band is aggressive hard rock with happy lyrics.

of sugary children's music

'Most of it is so boring,

moms agreed So I decided to

at the Detroit YWCA, told her

idea to moms Tammy Ristau.

Daniela Burckhardt and Anita

Griglio Kelly Messner was the

experience, but the determined

edge and began to study hard

In just two short years, the Candy Band has recorded three

only mom with extensive musical

women all had some basic knowl-

Messner, who taught aerobics

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# Beyond bad

Beyond Bad

simply the greatest horror Grea film ever made It's lost a lot of its potency over the Kowalski years, but those of us who experienced it first-hand in the theaters

Exorcist.

ew film franchises have started out so

promisingly and

delivered so little as The

The original 1973 film is

will never forget the impact it had It was followed four years later by The Exorcist II The Heretic, which has acquired legendary status as a dreadful film, although it really isn't all that bad The Exorcist III Legion was spawned in 1990, and while it was a decent film, it also was pretty much of a yawner

Now comes The Exorcist The Beginning It's another decent enough film, but somehow manages to make blood and gore a bit of a bore

This is actually a prequel to the original film with Father Lankester Merrin (who chased the devil out of little Regan) in

Africa following World War II He's now disullusioned and taken away from the priesthood because he was forced to par-ticipate in a Nazr atrocity during the war When a fully intact ancient church is

found buried in Kenya, he is hired by an antiquities collector to participate in an expedition to un arth the church

As the workers dig deeper into the church, they encounter weurder - and deadlier experiences Hyenas attack a little boy in the center of town, a woman gives birth to a maggot infested child and it appears that another child is possessed by the devil

Indeed, in exploring the church, Merrin finds a huge statue of the demon Pazuzu in the basement

Complicating matters further is that Merrin finds himself attracted to a nurse in the village, who has her own troubled past

There's a lot of allegorical crap wrapped into the mix as Merrin confronts his personal demons while battling the real thing

The special effects are pretty good and the gore factor is relatively high, but the energy level is low And that's the greatest failing of this film Although this is only the fourth Exorcist outing, the series already seems tired and played out Maybe because it's been 32 years since the original hit the screen

is 'Exorcist' is possessed by boredom

Or maybe because the original is just too tough of an act to follow Or maybe

this is ultimately just a boring script

I'll still take *Exorcist II*, with its giant grasshoppers, boozy Richard Burton and little Regan uttering such immortal lines like, "Oh, I was possessed by a demon," or something like that

Greg Kowalski had a devil of a time sitting through this one He can be reached at (248) 901 2570 or by e mail at gkowalski@oe homecomm net



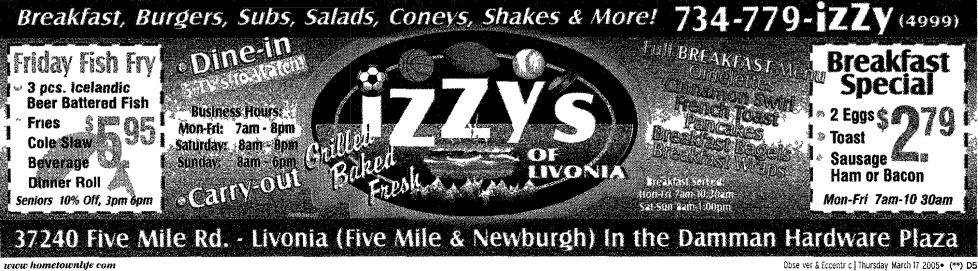


#### **BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD** CORRESPONDENTS

With todays St Patrick's Day so near the weekend, the Irish pubs will be celebratin all weekend - a good time to get to know Bushmills Irish whiskey if you haven t already discovered it The world's oldest licensed distillery is located in the village of Bushmills, County Antrim, about an hours drive north of Belfast

Bushmills village is situated on the banks of the river Bush Water, used in production of Bushmills whiskey, is sourced from the river via a small tribu-Bushmill's Black tary known as St Columb's Rill Lush barley fields Bush surround the village and

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# Cover story THE 2005 ANIMATION SHOW' HEADLINES DFT SERIES

on Hertzfeldt s animated short films have been nominated for prestigious awards – an Oscar for *Rejected* in 2001 and a Cannes Golden Palm for *Billy's Balloon* in 1999

But the 28-year-old filmmaker still lives with his parents in San Francisco

Apparently success in animated shorts is all glory and no money

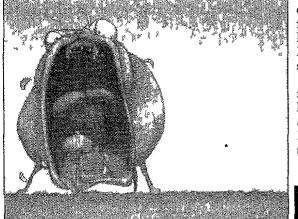
The good news These witty, colorful, sarcastic, and at times touching, films represent truly independent artists in a day and age when it's tough to know whether you're watching a true indie or a flick that's been packaged to look like one



'As far as short films go, there's no money in it and no market for it," said Hertzfeldt, co-producer of The 2005 Animation Show, running March 25-27 and April 1-3 at Detroit Film Theatre The approximately two hour show



approximately two hour show features about a dozen animated shorts handpicked by Hertzfeldt and his partner, Mike Judge, creator of King of the Hill and Beavis and Butt Head DFT is book ending the show with anime, A Tree of Palme (Japan), slated March 20, and My Beautiful Girl, Mari (Korea), set for April 10 "So with Animation Show and short films historically, this is where the most exciting and



Bill Plympton's Guard Dog which earned a 2005 Oscar nomination for best animated short portrays an overzealously protective dog

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Jen Drummond s 'The F E D S ' is a short mock documentary about the ladies who hand out food samples in grocery stores

innovative things are happening,' Hertzfeldt said "The artist is completely independent There's no budget, no financial constraints It's more of a personal medium"

Even a cursory survey of the Animation Shows offerings – a collection from all over the world that traverses the full landscape of animation styles, from computer-generation to old school hand-drawing – makes clear there's no Hollywood movie mogul behind the scenes

Jen Drummond's *The FEDS* is short mock documentary about the ladies who hand out food samples in grocery store aisles, they're called Food Education Demo Specialists *Hello* tracks a love story between two boom boxes – one has a tape player, the other has CD capability Bill Plymptons *Guard Dog*, which garnered a 2005 Oscar nomination for best animated short, portrays a dog so overzealously devoted to his owner that even the kindly butterflies encountered on daily walks fear for their life

Animation Show also debuts Hertzfeldts long-anticipated *The Meaning of Life* Hertzfeldt, who works the old-fashioned way and without a script, has been working on the film for four years

'I learned a long time ago to never start with a finished script Especially with comedy, you become really tired with your own writing, so I try to stay







What: Detroit Film Theatre presents a festival of animation featuring 'The 2005 Animation Show created by Mike Judge and Don Hertzfeldt plus works from Japan and Korea

When: The 2005 Animation Show runs at 7 pm and 9 30 pm Friday and Saturday and 2 pm and 4 pm Sunday March 25-27 and April 1-3 A Tree of Palme (Japan) runs 2 pm Sunday March 20 My Beautiful Girl, Mari' (Korea) slated 2 pm Sunday April 10 Where: Detroit Film Theatre at

Detroit Institute of Arts (theater in back of building)- 5200 Woodward Detroit

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# Theater Double bill One-act play by Arthur Miller and more runs at JET

#### **BY NICOLE STAFFORD** STAFF WRITER

When the great Jewish playwright Arthur Miller recently died at age 89, news reports and obituaries reminded us of his many great works from Death of a Salesman, which won a Pulitzer Prize, to The Crucible

Jewish Ensemble Theatre is giving local theater goers an opportunity to experience an Arthur Miller one-act play, The Last Yankee

Written in 1993, the piece tackles modern-day societal angst and alienation

"Miller called it the disease of the soul," said Lavinia Moyer Hart, the show's director and head of Wayne State University's MFA acting program

The JET production, a double-bill that continues through April 17 at the West Bloomfield venue, also features another one-act, Murray Schisgal's 74 Georgia Avenue again under Moyer Hart's direction

"How do we come through times of suffering and connect with hope? Both plays ask that question," she said

The Last Yankee unfolds the story of two women who have been diagnosed with depression and checked themselves into a mental institution Their husbands, who meet for the first time in a hospital waiting room, can't understand why their counterparts are so unhappy and wonder what exactly has gone wrong with their lives

What's interesting is that Miller, who was known for writing plays about men, makes his two mentally ill female characters his leads

'This is a dilemma that Miller feels many Americans are facing, but here women are facing it," Moyer Hart said, elaborating, 'We depend on our self-image by what we see in film, on television, by what others own and possess We become driven by ambition, and don't pay attention to our souls or the well-

#### **DOUBLE BILL**

What: Jewish Ensemble Theatre presents Arthur Millers The Last Yankee and Murray Schisgal s 74 Georgia Avenue

When: March 16-April 17 shows at 7 30 p m Wednesday-Thursday 8 p m Saturday and 7 30 p m Sunday

Where: Jewish Ensemble Theater Jewish Community Center, 6600 West Maple West Bloomfield Tickets: \$30-37, call box office at (248) 788-2900 or visit www.jettheatre.org

being of those who are closest to The Last Yankee ultimately



COURTESY OF JEWISH ENSEMBLE THEATRE

Lynnae Lehfeldt left, and Laurie V Logan play the leads in Arthur Miller's one-act play The Last Yankee at Jewish Ensemble Theatre

asks its characters to confront such a predicament and discover a more hopeful path

Likewise, 74 Georgia Avenue is a story about human beings in crisis Having reached such a juncture, Marty, a Jewish businessman, decides to return to his boyhood home in search of his roots and a few answers The area in Brooklyn, now a black neighborhood, has changed significantly since his youth But

Marty ultimately develops a supportive bond with one of the black residents, the son of the janitor at his once-thriving synagogue Both characters through the relationship find resolution

"Many people have experienced this pull - to think about life, think about your goals," said Moyer Hart "And, if there are holes in your heart, you ask what can you do to mend them "

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Hertzfeldt met Judge in Austin, Texas, in 2001 at a showing of Hertzfeldt and Bill Plympton's animated shorts

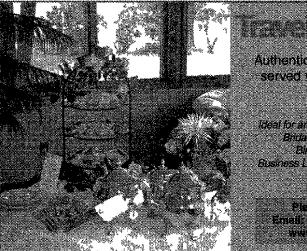
"Mike and I had a similar realization how come there aren't any cool animation festivals anymore?" recalled Hertzfeldt "We just wanted to see that spirit again

So we started hanging out and talking about it"

The first animation show debuted in 2003 and toured North America. This year, Hertzfeldt and Judge received about 1,000 entries

"We have a similar sense of humor and we definitely dig each other's work But I think if we had identical tastes, the show would probably suck It's a bit of mix," Hertzfeldt said of their selection process "The only condition is it has to be good'

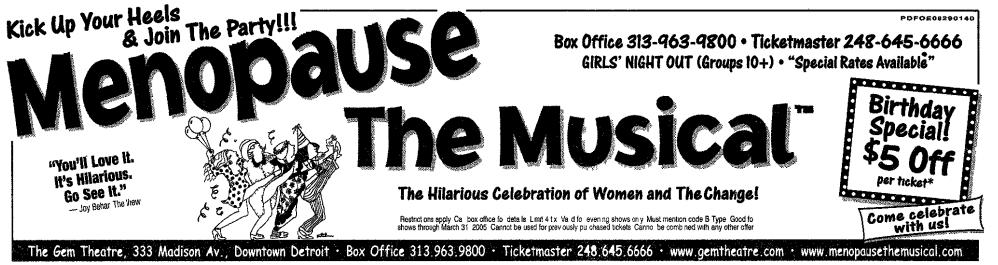
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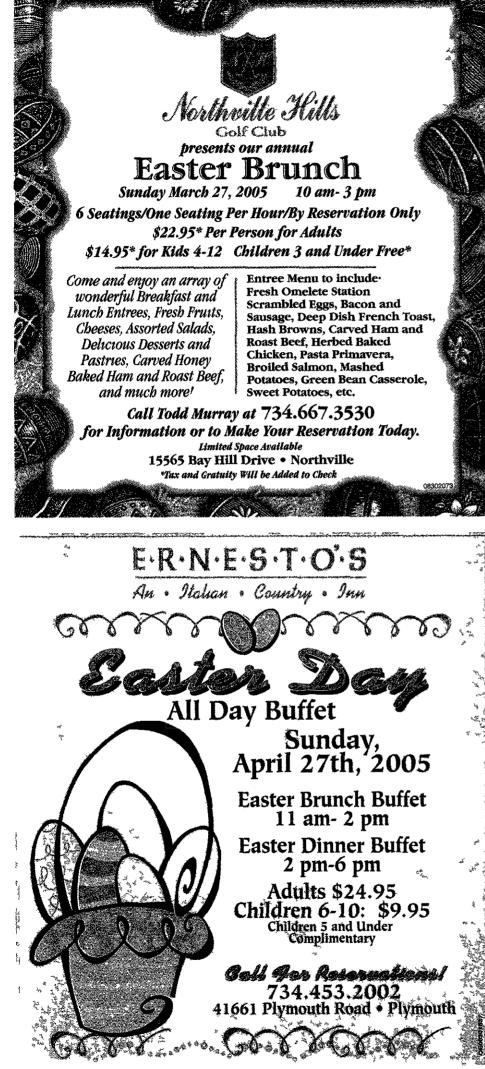
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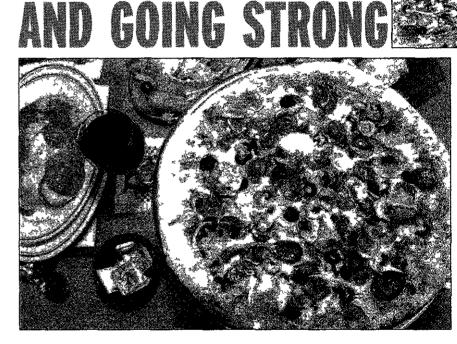
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#### BY ELEANOR HEALD CORRESPONDENT

A sign thanking customers for 50 years came down in January

It had hung under the main sign of Pasquale's restaurant on Woodward Avenue in Royal Oak for many months, signaling a 50th anniversary celebrated last September So this year it's 51 Rare in the restaurant business that counts on diner loyalty to succeed

At age 23 in 1954, Pasquale Del Giudice opened Pasquale's with seating for 96 on the east side of Woodward in a small storefront where Redcoat Tavern is now located In 1971, Pasquale's moved across Woodward to its current location and was last remodeled in 1996, to accommodate 275 between the nonsmoking main dining room and the lounge, which allows smoking and where the full menu is also served Pasquale's 47-year-old son, Paul, recalled that his grandfather, Joseph, owned a small eastside Detroit grocery store, but viewed the restaurant business as a better future for his son After gaining experience working in the legendary Mario's restaurant in Detroit, Pasquale borrowed \$7,000 from his father

The rest is a long history in which Pasquale's has risen to a metro Detroit eating-out tradition, run not only by Pasquale and his wife, Gina, but many in the Del Giudice family including sons, Joe, Paul and Michael (and his two sons) and his brother, Al, and wife, Gloria. When Pasquale's describes itself as a "Fine Italian Family Restaurant," it does mean family!

To explain the family success in the restaurant business, Paul quoted his father's two favorite sayings If you watch the penmes, the dollars watch themselves and if it's working, don't change it fc

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squale co-owners Joe DelGiudice and sister-in-law Katy DelGiudice

"When you're successful, Paul added, here's always the temptation to open other location and expand business But believe we've been successful because th one property, whenever Pasquale's is en, there's a family member on premise" Yet, over 50 years, Pasquales has had to just to during trends 'Years ago," Paul id, most Italian restaurants featured uthern Italian cooking with heavier sauces at were principally meat based Today, ners are into fresher preparations and "hter sauces with less meat Chicken irmigiana is now ordered as frequently as al Parmigiana"

#### N THE MENU

Chefs Marcus Thompson and Anthony Auto rm the team cooking during the day and famcousin Eduardo Rapicano is the night chef I three cook recipes that have been refined by e Del Gudice family over the years Among appetizers (Primo di Pranzo) Fried alamari and Breaded Mozzarella alla hchelle are most frequently ordered inestrone is always on the menu along with soup of the day (Zuppe del Giorno), that anges about three times weekly The ntipasto Salad, fresh greens topped with am, salamı, cheese, boiled egg and chovies on request is sized small and large Traditionalists request cheese, pepperoni hd mushroom pizzas while those favoring ore toppings order either the Pizza alla heresa or the Brown's Special, named after n early regular customer who requested neese, pepperoni, bacon, ham, onions, reen peppers, green and black olives and ushroom toppings

#### PASQUALE'S FAMILY RESTAURANT

Where 31555 Woodward Avenue Royal Oak (248)549-4002

**Open** Monday Thursday 11 15 a m -11p m Friday until midnight Saturday and Sunday noon-midnight

**Food style** Italian dishes as Americans like them and some American stuff too Cost \$9-15 Add \$5 50 to any main dish and an antipasto Caesar or tossed salad, soup or tomato juice, choice of dessert and non-alcoholic beverage will be included

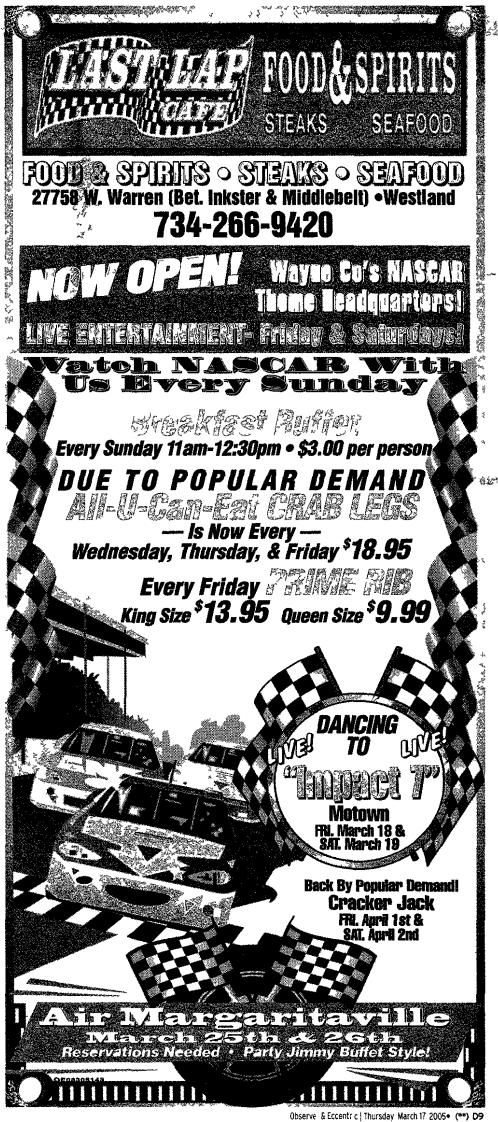
Pasta lovers' No 1 order 15 for Pasquale's Special Baked Spaghetti

Seafood specialties are more American in style than Italian as are a number of items under "Cose Americane"

A variety of pastries are made on premise but the most popular remain Cannoli, Tiramisu and a Creme de Cassis Torte

The family name Del Gudice translates from Italian as "the judge" How fitting! Diners in metro Detroit have judged Pasquale s as more than satisfying their Italian food cravings for more than 50 years

**Eleanor Heald** is a nationally published writer and Troy resident who writes about restaurants food wine and spirits for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers* Contact her by e mail at focusonwine@aol.com









# Improv show makes for a fast laugh

What: 6 Month Suspension

comedy improvisation show

When: 915 p.m. Friday March

Where: Royal Yoga Loft 108

suite B downtown Royal Oak

South Main second floor,

For information call (248)

www adamschomer com

**SPONTANEOUS** 

Admission: \$5

219-8066 or visit

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#### **BY NICOLE STAFFORD** STAFF WRITER

Looking for a quick laugh on the way to your favorite Royal

Oak bar? A group of five local improvisational comedians have just the thing The ensemble, dubbed

6 Month Suspension. performs Friday at the Royal Yoga Loft in down town Royal Oak

'It's a good trip, come down to Royal Oak, see the show and then go out to the bar,' said member Adam Schomer, 29, of Birmingham "Were a long form improv group It's not so much improv games And long form at its greatest is a few guys on stage creating a short play"

A couple of gals, too, 6 Month Suspension has two female comics, Kathryn Trepkowski, 23, of Rochester Hills and Kelli Massa, 20, of Belleville

The troupe formed after meeting and studying comedy improv at Second City's Detroit training center Shows typically

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are the source of some of the best barley used in Irish whiskey production Peat bogs used for centuries to fuel the kilns that dried the barley and heated the distillation units are also nearby Although modern production at Bushmills continues to use the ancient water supply flowing over a combination of peat and basalt, it reaches out to other sources of barley to supplement that grown locally Peat, no longer the fuel source, has been replaced by natural gas

History dates distillation at Bushmills to 1276, but it was not officially granted

feature a 30-minute guest act followed by 45 minutes of improv by 6 Month Suspension Many skits develop from audience suggestions and feedback

\*We all wanted to per form and get out there," said Schomer

Tim McKendrick, 27, of Birmingham and Saurin Choksi, 24, of Dearborn, round out the ensemble, which has been sporadically presenting shows in metropolitan Detroit for about two years now Venues include the downtown Royal Oak yoga studio, Inferno Improv in Ann Arbor and Planet Ant Theatre in Hamtramck

"The response has been unbelievable People smile I think people are truly impressed And the first 40 people who come

to our show get a box of kittens Offer not valid in Michigan," Schomer joked, adding, "That's as funny as it gets We like to keep expectations low"

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license until 1608 by James I of England The first Old Bushmills was in cask and aging before Manhattan was settled by the Dutch<sup>1</sup> The bottling labeled Bushmills Irish Whiskey (\$22/750mL) is The Original and made from a combination of single malt and single grain whiskey aged for up to seven years in oak casks Black Bush (\$32/750mL), a blend of Bushmills malt whiskey in combination with a small proportion of special grain whiskey, is aged in sherry butts for nine to 11 years, imparting a distinctive character and richness

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#### **PROFESSIONAL THEATER**

#### Detroit Repertory Theatre

Intimate Apparel by Lynn Nottage 8 30 pm Thursday Friday 3 pm & 8 30 pm Saturday 2 pm & 7 30 pm Sunday through March 20 13103 Woodrow Wilson Detroit \$17 (313) 868 1347 www.detroitreptheatre.com

#### Meadow Brook Theatre

And Then They Came For Me Remembering the World of Anne Frank Multimedia play by James Still combin ing live performances and videotaped interviews with holocaust survivors March 26 to April 10 Show times vary For ticket information call (248)377 3300 or Ticketmaster at (248)645 6666

### YOUTH

#### Paper Bag Productions

Alice in Wonderland lunch noon show 1 pm Saturday noon lunch Sunday 2 pm show March 19 20 Theatre Livonia in Livonia Mall 29516 Seven Mile Road at Middlebelt use G entrance on north side of mall Lunch & show \$10 show only \$7

#### Marquise Theatre

Peter Cottontail a musical version of the Beatrix Potter classic 2 p m Saturdays March 19 and April 2 9 16 23 30 2 30 p m Sundays March 20 and April 3 10 17 24 and May 1 and weekdays 2 30 p m March 28 29 30 and April 1 at the Marquise Theatre 135 E Main Northville Tickets \$7 50 For school reservations birthday parties and group rates call (248) 349 8110

#### Wild Swan Theater

A Honey Pot of Pooh Stories an enchanting collection of stories about Pooh Bear and his friends 10 30 a m and 1 p m Thursday and Friday and March 17 and 18 and 2 p m Saturday March 19 at the Towsley Auditorium Morris Lawrence Building Washtenaw Community College 4800 E Huron River Drive Ann Arbor Tickets \$7 for children \$9 for adults Call (734)995 0530 Tickets may be purchased at the door 45 min utes prior to performance

#### Youtheatre

The Phantom of the Opera musical adaptation of the famous horror story 11 a m and 2 p m Saturday March 19 and 2 p m Sunday March 20 at Millenium Centre 15600 J L Hudson Drive Southfield Tickets \$8 in advance Call (248)557 7529 or online www.youthe atre org

#### COMMUNITY/COLLEGE THEATER

#### Main Stage Theatre Guild

Cheaper by the Dozen comedy about an efficiency expert and his large family 8 p m Thursdays Saturdays March 17 19 and 4 p m Sundays March 20 at Theatre Livonia Livonia Mall 295167 Seven Mile Tickets \$10 \$6 students and seniors available at the theater boxoffice For information call (586)344 7774

#### **Ridgedale Players**

Magic to Do a musical revue featuring many well known show tunes 8 p m Fridays and Saturdays 2 p m Sundays through March 19 at the theater 205 W Long Lake Rd Troy For ticket information call (248) 988 7049

#### Avon Players

Steel Magnolias Robert Harlings comic drama about women friends in a south ern town 8 pm Friday and Saturday 2 pm Sundays March 18 19 at the Avon Theater 1185 Washington Road Rochester Hills Tickets \$14 adults \$12 seniors/students Call (248) 608 9077 Pontiac Theater IV

Rogers and Hammerstein's Annie Get Your Gun on 8 p m March 18 19 at Pontiac Northern High School 1041 Arlene Street Pontiac Tickets are \$10 and are available at the door (group dis counts available) For more information go to www.pontiactheatreiv.org

#### St Dunstan's Theatre Guild

Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize winning drama *Proof* about a woman who may be a mathematical genius 8 p m March 17 19 a at St Dunstan s of Cranbrook 400 Lone Pine Road between Cranbrook and Lahser in Bloomfield Hills Tickets \$15 adults \$13 students 18 and younger or seniors 62 and older Call (248)644 0527

#### Henry Ford Community College

Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* April 8 through May 1 in the Adray Auditorium of the

MacKenzie Fine Arts Center on HFCC's main campus 5101 Evergreen Road Dearborn 8 pm Fridays and Saturdays and 2 pm Sundays Tickets \$8 adults and \$5 for high school stu dents For ticket reservations call HFCC's Fine Arts and Fitness Division at (313) 845 6475

University of Detroit Mercy-Marygrove Godspell Stephen Schwartz musical based on the Gospel of Matthew 8 p m Thursdays Saturdays 2 p m Sundays March 31 April 10 at Marygrove College Theatre in Detroit Tickets \$15 \$13 for seniors Tickets at the UD Mercy box office (313)993 3270 or (313)993 1130

Eastern Michigan University Anyone Can Whistle musical by Stephen Sondheim and Arthur Laurents 8 p m April 1 2 7 9 and 2 p m April 3 at the Quirk Theatre on the campus of EMU Tickets \$14 Friday and Saturday \$12 maitnees For information call (734)487 122

#### **DINNER THEATER**

#### Starbrite Dinner Theater

Smell of the Kill Black comedy by Michele Lowe Fridays and Saturdays through April 2 at the 14th Street Bar and Grille 350 E 14 Mile Madison Heights Dinner at 6 30 pm curtain at 7 30 pm Tickets \$39 50 For information call (248) 589 9900 or www.starbriteprod.com

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### Ann Arbor Film Festival

Experimental avant garde documentary and independent cinema 3 7 and 9 30 p m Thursday Saturday March 17 19 and 2 p m Sunday Winners 5 7 and 9 p m Sunday For more information online at www.aafilmfest.org or by phone at (734)995 5356

#### Dinner auction

An Evening of Black Satin and Pearls is planned for this year s *Artful Affair* pre sented by the Plymouth Community Arts Counc I As the only major fund raiser

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for the Arts Council each year the goal for the Dinner Auction is \$50,000 with proceeds going toward their many and varied educational and community arts programs The VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College in Livonia will be the location for this elegant evening of fine dining fun dancing to the sounds of Channel 6 and wonderful live and silent auction items The Saturday March 19 event will begin at 5 30 pm Advance tickets are \$85 per person call (734) 416 4278

#### Stars on Ice

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Smucker s Stars on Ice features Olympic champions Sarah Hughes Sale and Pelletier Berezhnaya and Sikharudlidze and Alexi Yagudin along with Todd Eldridge Yuko Sado and others 730 pm Saturđay March 19 at the Palace of Auburn Hills Ticket prices range from \$28 to \$98 and are currently on sale at palacenet com The Palace of Auburn Hills box office Ticketmaster Phone charges can be made by calling (248 )377 0100 For group information (15 or more) 248 371 2055

#### CLASSICAL

#### Detroit Symphony

Pops Cettic Celebration featuring Irish music for St Patrick's Day 10.45 a m and 8 p m Thursday March 17.8 30 p m Friday Saturday March 18.19 and 3 p m Sunday March 20 at the Orchestra Hall at the Max M Fisher Music Center 3711 Woodward Ave Detroit Tickets \$15.\$63 Call (313)576 5111 or online www.detroit symphony.com

Jerzy Semkow reunites with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra for the 33rd con secutive year to lead two favorite works by Johannes Brahms the lyrical Symphony No 2 and the majestic Plano Concerto No 2 French planist Helène Grimaud 8 pm Thursday Friday March 31 April 1 8 30 p m Saturday April 2 and 3 p m Sunday April 3 at Orchestra Hall at the Max M Fisher Music Center Tickets \$16 \$69 may be purchased at the Max M Fisher Music Center box office (3711 Woodward Ave Detroit) or by call ing the DSO at (313) 576 5111 All regular priced tickets can be purchased on line 24 hours a day via the DSO's Web site at www.detroitsymphony.com

#### Ars Nova

Under the direction of Dr Craig Scott Symons the ensemble will perform their concert in their 15th Anniversary Season The main work featured will be the Requiem by Maurice Durufle accompanied by the Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings and organist Joseph Rush Mezzo sopra no Elsie Inselman and baritone Paul Max Tipton will be the soloists Also on the program will be works by Brahms Bach Mendelssohn Poulenc and others 4 p m Sunday March 20 at historic First United Methodist Church in downtown Royal Oak Tickets \$15 for adults and \$10 for senior citizens (over 55) For more information call (248) 414 7242

#### Royal Oak Symphony Orchestra

Spr ng Concert features works by von

Suppe Elgar Smetana and Marvin Hamiisch's Chorus Line Guest artist Jill Collier will perform on cello on Elgar s Cello Concerto in E Minor 8 pm Friday March 18 at Kimball High School corner of Crooks and Normandy Tickets \$10 adults \$7 for senior citizens and stu dents free for those under 18 Tickets at the door or call (248)988 6991 or online at www.royaloakorchestra org

#### **Detroit Concert Choir**

Slavic Music Russian Jewels Sacred works by Rachmanioff Gretchaninoff and Bortiniansky 3 p m Sunday March 20 at St Martin de Porres 31555 Hoover Warren Tickets\$18 adults \$15 students Call (313)882 0118

#### **University Musical Society**

Flutists James and Jeanne Galway per form works by Poulenc Debussy Faure and others 8 p m Saturday March 19 at Hill Auditorium on the campus of the University of Michigan Tickets \$10 \$70 For tickets call (734)764 2538 or online at www.ums.org

#### **Birmingham Musicale**

University of Michigan Men's Glee Club performing classical sacred and con temporary tunes in a fund raiser for the Musicale's Scholarship Award and Philanthropic Programs 8 pm Friday April at St Regis Catholic Church 3695 Lincoln at Lasher Bloomfield Hills Tickets \$25 general \$35 patron and \$50 benefactor (reserved) Call (248)606 0166

#### Congregation Church of Birmingham

Chambe Music at the Scarab Club pres ents a program of opera works from the repertoire of Verdi Mozart Puccini Donizetti as well as several Spanish composers The performers will include soprano Kimberly Swan tenor David Troiano pianist Jacqueline Csurgai Schmitt violinists Velda Kelly and Ron Fischer violist Eva Stern and cellist Nadine Deleury 7 pm Sunday March 20 at The Congregational Church of Birmingham 1000 Cranbrook Road just west of Woodward Avenue in Bloomfield Hills Tickets\$18 at the door \$16 in advance

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For more information (248) 647 0289 or online at www.scarabclub.org/chamber music

#### Kirk in the Hills

World Premiere of the choral work The Passion According to St John by David Briggs 7 30 p m Friday March 25 at the Kirk in the Hills 1340 W Long Lake Road Bloomfield Hills For ticket information call the Kirk music office at (248)626 2515 (ext 109) or online www kirk music org

#### JAZZ

#### Jazz Club at the Max

Singer Vanessa Rubin appears with the Professors of Jazz at Michigan State University 8 30 p m Thursday March 17 at the Jazz Club at the Max (The Music Box at the Max M Fisher Music Center) 3711 Woodward Ave Detroit Tickets \$20 Call (313)576 5111 or online at www.detroitsymphony.com



# Art Fluid but fragile

### Paint Creek Center celebrates art of glass

What A Celebration of Glass,' an

artists associated with Detroit s

**College for Creative Studies and** 

pm Friday, March 18, gallery talk,

715 pm Wednesday March 23,

exhibit continues through April

23, reporter gallery hours are 9 30

am to 5 pm Monday-Friday and

Where Paint Creek Center for the

Tickets. Free for information call

Arts, 407 Pine Street, Rochester

exhibition of works by local

Michigan Hot Glass Works

10 a m to 2 p m Saturday

(248) 651-4110 or visit

www.pccart.org

When: Opening reception 6-8

**CREATIVE GLASS** 

BY NICOLE STAFFORD STAFF WRITER

Unlike, say, painting or sculpture, glass art tends to draw a tempered, more controlled response from viewers

And therein hes the mediums subtle charm "Glass is really seductive," said Mary Fortuna, education and exhibitions director at Paint Creek Center for the Arts where an exhibit

of glass is set to open -March 18

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A Celebration of Glass, which features work by more than 15 local artists who have studied at Detroit s College for Creative Studies, continues at the Rochester gallery through April 23 A gallery talk with artists stated Wednesday, March 23

"Michigan goes crazy during glass month, and we wanted to par ticipate again this year," Said Fortuna, who organized the exhibit unth Harb Rabacak, glas

with Herb Babcock, glass department chair at CCS, and Albert Young, owner of Michigan Hot Glass

April has been designated Michigan Glass Month Paint Creek Center's show, roughly organized by artist, will present from three to five pieces from each participant Functional, decorative and sculptural glass art will be represented Both Young and Babcock also will display works in the approximately

24-by-60 foot main gallery space "Herb 1s Mr Glass'

at CCS He's the guy I think of when I think of glass," Fortuna said of Babcock "He just knows what its all about"

So what 1s glass art really all about?

Fortuna attributes its appeal to the several factors, including the range of colors and shapes, the process behind producing it and glass art's paradoxical qualities "In its molten state

In its moten state it can go anywhere In its final state, it's beautifully fluid, but also so fragile," she said 'You have this

awareness that this is something that can be broken so it becomes precious'

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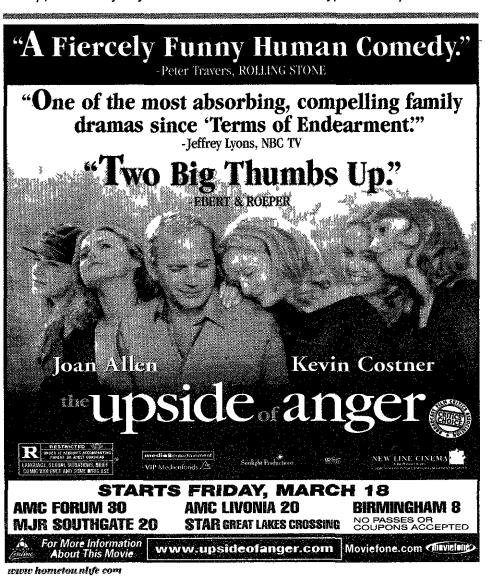
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Selected from the reams of publicity propagandal we present our concretainment picks for the week

I can t talk about Jonathan Safran Foer unless I talk about the fact that his last book (*Everything is Illuminated*) was the best book I ve read in five years So you might imagine that his second book *Extremely Loud & Incredibly Close* out now was read with a lot of expectations I had nothing to worry about

The story follows 9 year old Oskar Schell as he searches for the lock that fits a mysterious key he found in his father's closet. But that's hardly the beginning of the story His father died in the World Trade Center attacks and Oskar believes the key will bring him closer to his father closer to understanding what happened to his father Oskar's search leads him all over New York in search of answers to the doors of strangers both whimsical and struggling Oskar's grandfather and grand mother also serve as narrators transporting the storyline to the moments they experi enced their greatest losses. What follows is an understanding of the terrorist attacks through a child s eyes and an eloquent narrative of loss of love of connection and of belief Oskar's unique voice provides the comic relief of what is an otherwise heartwrenching book

Pare Picks is written by Stephanie Tardy, who strives to be your information burrito, overflowing with facts, layered in tasty observational detail. You can state your peace piece, peas, gruff by e-mailing her at stardy@oe homecomm net or snail mailing Pure Picks c/o Stephanie Tardy, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI, 48009 As always, information regarding local entertainment events is also something you should really send to her



And I m not kidding Two thirds of the way through I d cried four times Pages 71 73 Page 101 Page 172 And the entire time I read pages 224 233

I have a long list of what makes a book wonderful A great book pushes you to think about bigger questions Perhaps you set the book aside and think about what you just read perhaps you find yourself earmarking pages or rereading sentences A good book also will make you want to reread or seek out the writer s past works Or it will remind you of other works of art be it music or writing or the way your mother comforts you And if you re me a great book will give you a crush on the author Male or female you II find yourself flipping back to the flap picture dreaming about the children the two of you will make as if you were 14 and paging through an issue of *Bop* (And yes I know Foer is getting married but a girl can have dreams or was that suddenly made illegal?)

Extremely does all of these things And it made me cry And it will make you cancel your day and cry too A healing cry It will be good for you trust me Do you like free stuff? Make sure to read Pure Picks next week for your chance to win free stuff! The Pure Picks Free Stuff Contest™ coincides with the Pure Picks writer's spring desk cleaning!



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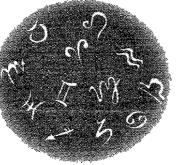
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**Star struck** (March 17 20) By Dennis Fairchild



#### ARIES (March 21-April 20)

It's one of those times now with a chance that you'll part company with someone you ve worked well with in the past and that would be a shame You still have much in common and w there s a lot you can do for each other It may not too late to patch up things if you give it a try

#### TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

Believe it or not changes are good for you now so put your doubts on hold and be ready to nove at a moment's notice Bull You can go a long way this week towards dispelling the myth that a Taurus is unadventurous- but don t take risks for the sake of it

#### GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

You seem to believe that all others want is to get rich at your expense and you may have a point. On the other hand if you re too suspicious you might miss out on a genuine moneymak ing opportunity this week before your ruling planet Mercury retrogrades. Analyze each offer as It arises Twin

#### CANCER (June 22-July 23)

wit s love that makes the world go round not money status or possessions MoonKid Something will happen this week that reminds you what life is really about and it'll amaze you that you had somehow forgotten Make it your mission to wake up those who are still asleep

#### LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)



Steer clear of offers that require you to invest your own money. The omens aren t on your side until May Lion The more others try to convince you that you can't lose the more determined you should be to keep your cash in your pocket. Patience will bring profits

#### VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

The time has come to draw the line on the past and let go of the very things you have been try ing to hold on to This week's astro aspects are all about making a fresh start or getting together a gameplan Bear in mind that being alone and being lonely are two different things

#### LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

Because Mercury soon enters your house of self esteem in a few days you owe it to yourself to place your own needs first now. And if that means off loading an emotional commitment or insisting that others learn to toughen up and stand on their own two feet then so much the 🖤 🗽 🖤 betteri

#### SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Don t waste time worrying about things which may never happen especially where partnership matters are concerned. Your attention should be on finances rather than family or affairs of the heart You should be in fine form this week and ready to take great strides in key areas of Your l ife

#### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Ease up Archeri Although you know exactly what you want and how to get it you won't succeed unless you take the views of partners and colleagues into consideration. Tone down your demands and show that you value cooperation ahead of confrontation and conflict

#### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

There is nothing wrong with being ambitious so long as you don't let it take over your life SeaGoat What happens this week will remind you that striving for success is okay but it s not an end in itself Fame and fortune won't mean much if you're not happy

#### AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)



It is said that work defines our being and you certainly appear to have your work cut out for you at the moment. The Sun's entry into Aries on the 20th signifies that this is the ideal time to catch up on outstanding tasks. On this occasion at least actions do speak louder than words

#### PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)



Can you trust what other people have been telling you lately Fish? It would be nice to believe that you could but your sixth sense tells you that you re hearing only part of the story Find out the facts before you make your next move Don't rush Meditate on options

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skyrocketed They've performed on the Today Show, and have been featured in People magazine, The Wall Street Journal and The New York Post They also per form often at local libraries, school assemblies and more They perform about three nights a week

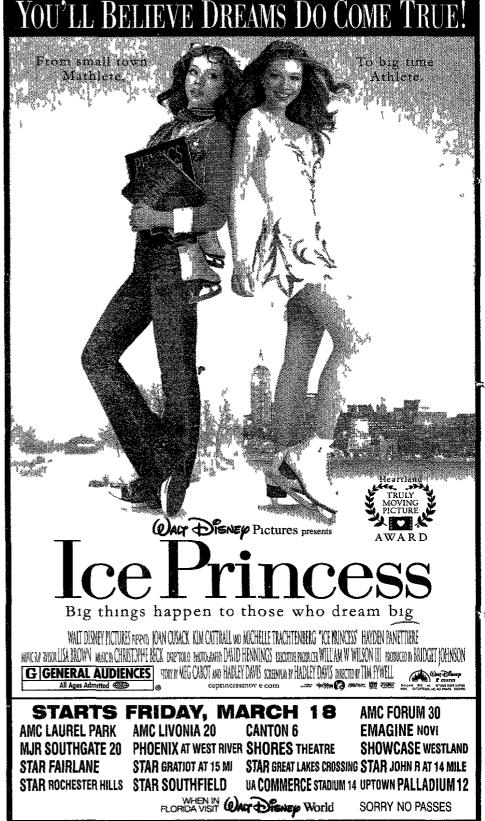
We practice at least two days a week, we are always lined up with gigs and its great because we can take our children with us

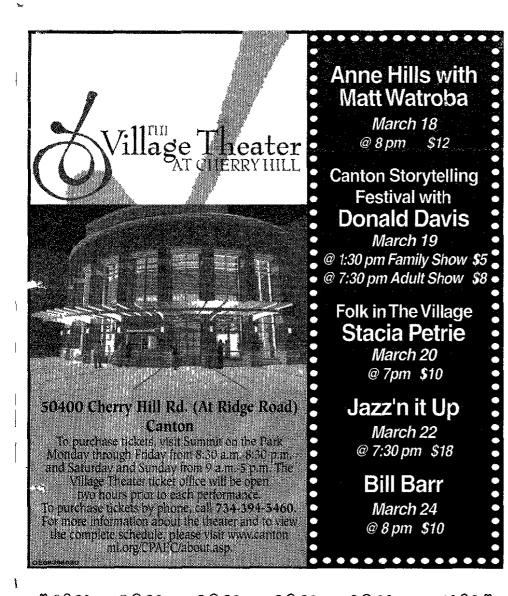
The four women are all married and there are nine kids between them

"Sometimes it drives our husbands crazy but next month we'll perform in New York and take them with us," Messner said

Their children are also involved with the band They spray painted the Candy Band's stage backdrop and have created art work on merchandise available on the Web site

The band members also make good role models They play music, raise kids and are educated Grigho Kelly earning a law degree and passing the bar, Burckhardt formerly of Switzerland, was a medical assistant, and Ristau worked in business management They never thought becoming parents would lead them to careers in rock n roll, with a whole new twist





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