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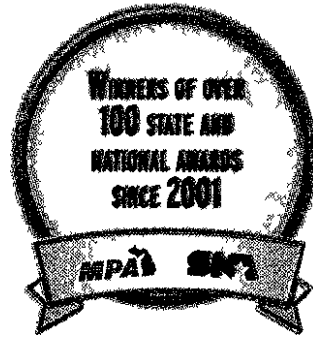
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Collin Richter pitches in to help members of his sister's Girl Scout Troop 643 complete work for a community service merit badge by helping maintain the Field Elementary School wildlife habitat along the Truesdell Creek

Wildlife boosts learning for students

Grant helps schools use habitats to improve science performance

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Four Plymouth-Canton elementary schools will share \$8,000 in grants to build schoolyard habitats that not only will help students improve science test scores, but also enhance the neighborhoods where they live.

"These are more than just learning opportunities for kids," said Rick Plecha, the project coordinator. "There are benefits for the environment, for the school-community relationship, and benefits in terms of stewardship for both adults and kids."

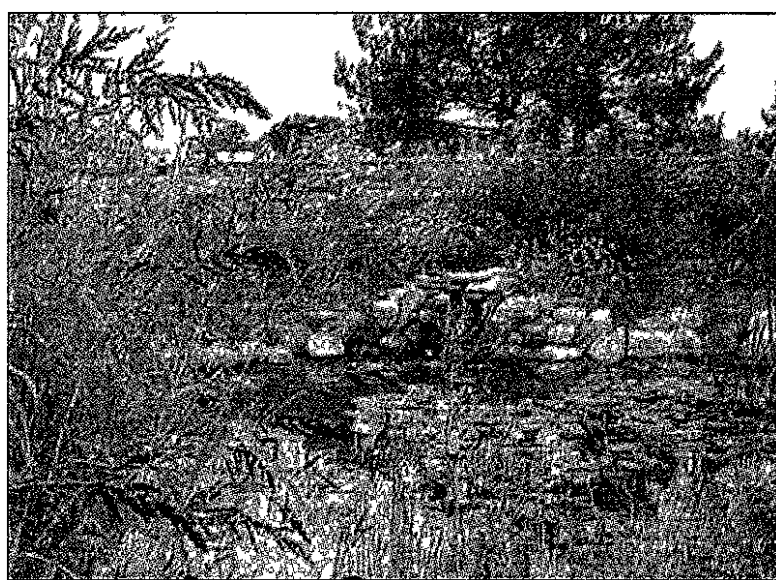
Visteon provided the initial \$4,000 grant to the Plymouth Community United Way, which then matched it. The schools which developed proposals and

were awarded grants are Allen Bentley, Farrand and Hoben elementary schools.

Plecha, whose leadership spearheaded the wildlife habitat along the Truesdell Creek behind Field Elementary in Canton Township into what he calls the district's crown jewel, said most schoolyards aren't eco-friendly.

"In terms of the environment, we'll take a school that traditionally is undiverse, with only grass and a few trees, and introduce plants that are indigenous and encourage insect and bird interaction," Plecha said. "It increases the diversity of animals at the school site."

In order to do something like this, there needs to be interaction



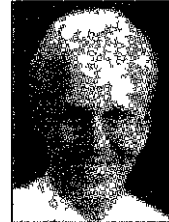
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Some \$120,000 has been spent over eight years to build and preserve this wildlife habitat along the Truesdell Creek behind Field Elementary School

District taps leader for new elementary

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Jim Burt has been in education for 33 years, all of them in the Plymouth-Canton school district. Burt's teaching career began at Miller Elementary when the school opened its doors in 1972, and continued for seven years until he was chosen as assistant principal at Isbister Elementary. Along the way there were assistant principal positions at Field Elementary, followed by those at Pioneer and East middle schools.



Burt became principal at Allen Elementary in 1986, and remained until he moved to Eriksson as principal - his current position - in 1999.

But, there are always new challenges, and Burt will move on once again after being named by the Board of Education to become principal at the new elementary school to be constructed in Canton Township's Cherry Hill Village, which is

PLEASE SEE BURT, A5

City wants liquor licenses yanked over back taxes

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth City Commission is recommending to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission that it not renew the liquor licenses of three establishments which have overdue city taxes and water bills.

The commission unanimously recommended the state take away the liquor licenses of Gladstone's, Dartmoor English Country Inn and the Penn Theatre next month when it conducts its review.

A fourth establishment, Boulders, has been recommended for a conditional license, pending payment of back taxes and water bills by April 29.

PLEASE SEE LICENSES, A4



Gene Overholt pictured here with his wife Jane, is one of two people being inducted into the Plymouth Hall of Fame this year.

Hall of Fame beckons Plymouth pair

Community involvement leads to induction

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Bill Graham and Gene Overholt have a lot in common. Both served in municipal government, both supported a variety of civic organizations, and both were Plymouth fixtures.

Now they share another bond: Enshrinement in the Plymouth Hall of Fame.

Graham, a Plymouth native who last served as mayor, and Overholt, a former international president of the Kiwanis Club, will be honored at the

Hall of Fame banquet April 19 at Atlantis Restaurant in Plymouth Township. Their induction brings the number of people honored to 47.

Graham, who served terms on the city commission and also was the city's finance director, said he got the word from friend and fellow Hall of Famer Judge Jim Garber.

"Jim called and left a message he's been a friend a long time, but I couldn't figure out why he was calling," said Graham, who moved with his wife, Teri, to South Carolina when he retired last year. "He said, 'I've got something

to tell you that I think you'll be quite happy with. I was very pleasantly surprised."

Born and bred in Plymouth, Graham chaired the Municipal Building Authority, was a city planning commissioner and served in several capacities with the Downtown Development Authority. His civic efforts included the Plymouth Jaycees and the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce.

He was the business manager for the Plymouth Fire & Drum Corps, and

PLEASE SEE HALL, A8



Former Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham here celebrating an election victory with Commissioner Michele Potter, is now a Plymouth Hall of Famer.

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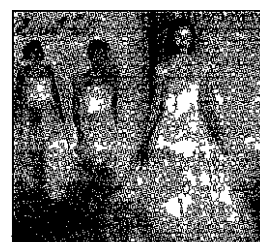
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Pops concert

The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Nan Washburn, presents 'The Fifties from the 'King and I' to the 'King of Rock n Roll,' the symphony's annual pops benefit dinner and auction.

The event begins at 6 p.m. Friday, April 22, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft Road in Livonia.

The concert features favorite songs from the 1950s, including popular music from Broadway stage and film along with tributes to '50s icons Nat King Cole and Elvis Presley. As with all Plymouth Symphony events, the Pops is family-oriented and invites audience members of all ages to delight in good music and auction and bidding for their favorite items, including a chance to conduct the orchestra.

Throughout the evening, the

Plymouth Symphony League's annual silent and live auctions will take place. Items to be auctioned include black and white diamond earrings donated by Showroom of Elegance, a 'Hearts on Fire' necklace donated by Orin Jewelers of Garden City, dinner at numerous restaurants in the area and a chance to conduct the Plymouth Symphony.

This event is sponsored by Target and supported by the Plymouth Symphony League and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. The invitation sponsor is Mike and Mary Gladchun, RE/MAX on the Trail.

Tickets for the event are \$75 for adults and \$35 for children. Table sponsorship for groups is also available. Tickets must be purchased in advance. For tickets, season subscriptions or more information, contact the symphony office, (734) 451-2112 or at info@plymouthsymphony.org

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, men's fitness instruction from Paul Seymour of The Blitz, mini-makeovers for men and women from Salon Awesome, treats compliments of Benmgans, 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.

Fashion Show

Chris Van Dam, owner of Van Dam's, a women's boutique in Northville, is again putting on a Fashion Show (showing all new spring & summer collections) at Gentti's Hole-In-The-Wall restaurant in Northville on Saturday, April 16.

The luncheon will be at noon with the fashion show immediately following. The cost is \$25 per person. The proceeds will benefit New Hope Center for Grief Support, which reaches out to adults, teens and children throughout southeastern Michigan who are grieving the death of a loved one.

Stop by Van Dam's at 111 E. Main Street in Northville or call (248) 449-4282 for tickets.



Cash cube

New Liberty Bank customer Jan Raison takes a turn in the 'Cash Cube,' an enticement offered by the locally owned bank on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth for new customers opening personal accounts such as checking, savings or CD accounts. The cube includes cash and gift certificates from local businesses, and each new customer gets 30 seconds to grab what they can.

Floral exhibit

The Plymouth Community Arts Council presents 'Spring Fever,' an exhibit of floral art by Joanne M. Porter, March 29-April 27. In addition to several gallery representations, the artist's work has been purchased by numerous corporate and public institutions. She also has licensing agreements with various companies' product lines.

Porter will discuss her versatile art career at a PCAC ART REACH luncheon at 11:30 a.m. April 6. Included in the luncheon will be a presentation by Bruce Webber of Weber's Flowers in Livonia. He will create an arrangement based on one of the artist's works. Contact the PCAC at (734) 416-4278 for luncheon information.

Exhibit hours are 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and 9 a.m.-8:30 p.m. Wednesday. The PCAC is located at 774 N. Sheldon in Plymouth.

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 Maxner, assistant professor of geriatric psychiatry of the University of Michigan Health Center, and Karyn Schoen, MSW, geriatric social worker, Ann Arbor, VA.

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.

The venue, with its superb acoustics, is located at 45201 N. Territorial in Plymouth Township.

For directions, visit www.pfumc.org. Admission to the concert is free, presented as a musical tribute in honor of Holy Week.

Thriving, surviving

'Thriving and surviving on our own' is the theme of the 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.

The weekend is designed to feature spiritual enrichment, healing services, group discussions and fellowship. Guest speakers include Marilyn Gilbert, a psychologist specializing in grief counseling, spiritual director Fr. Dick Mevissen, and Ron Gries, a widower author and hospice volunteer.

The fee for the event, including two nights' lodging and all meals, is \$130-\$150. Registration must be received by April 18. Call Fran at (248) 851-4031 or Sue at (248) 851-4508.

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Elks charge includes charitable works

Lodge parties, but efforts also include helping veterans, children

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

The bar at the Plymouth Elks Club is a pretty popular spot, and the lodge can certainly lay claim to a party atmosphere at times

But even a cursory glance at the Elks year-end report shows the lodge is about much more than good times. It's mostly about good works.

"We do an awful lot of charity work in the community," said Elks spokesman Chuck Quinn, a past president. "Our members get unbelievable pleasure out of that. People love to help."

One of the major areas where the Elks have become active is helping youngsters with handicaps. Last year, the club raised some \$50,000 to assist some 50 children with some type of physical handicap. The Elks are also dedicated to helping veterans. The lodge raised some \$3,500 for vets last year — without actually conducting a fund raiser.

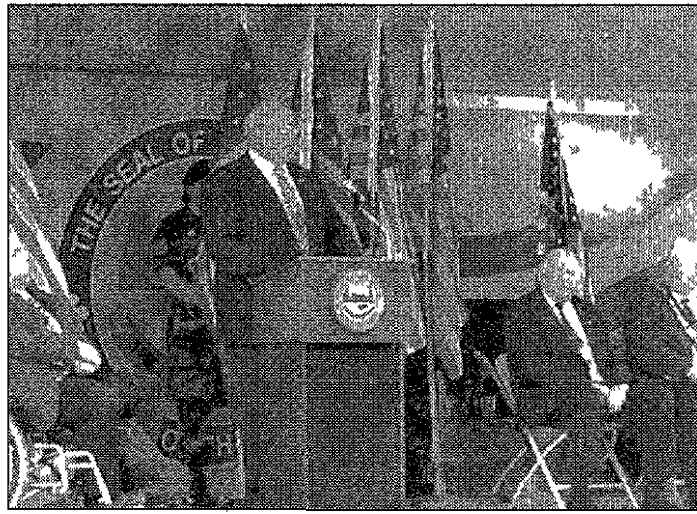
A somewhat unusual collection turned into a big hit. Elks collected more than 400 deer hides over the last two years and turned them into fingerless gloves for veterans in wheelchairs.

"We're a patriotic organization," said Stewart Israel, secretary of Elks Lodge 1780. "You have to be a U.S. citizen to join, and the flag is important to us."

Founded in February 1868 (the Plymouth chapter formed in 1949 according to Israel), the Elks are a fraternal organization carrying on a broad ranging program of charity and welfare, giving to such



Members of the Plymouth Elks wrap Christmas gifts, one of the many philanthropic endeavors the local lodge takes on.



Plymouth Elks Secretary Stewart Israel speaks during the Elks Flag Day ceremony, which drew some 80 people.

organizations as the Salvation Army, the Red Cross and the Boy and Girl Scouts.

The Elks also sponsors health, veterans, and college scholarship programs, as well as various local community service activities. The organization has about 1.3 million members in more than 2,200 local lodges, including some 960 members in Plymouth.

Membership in the society, originally limited to white males, was opened to all male U.S. citizens in 1973 and to women who had previously belonged only to lodge auxiliaries, in 1995.

Locally, the Elks help in a variety of ways. A few examples:

- Salem High School wrestlers work the Elks coat room, and the money they raise in tips benefits the school's wrestling program.

- Donated \$100 to the Girl Scouts to help wrap 740 gifts to veterans.

- Donated more than 200 bags of clothing and other items valued at more than \$5,000 to the Coalition of Temporary Shelters in the Cass corridor for homeless families.

- Sponsored Hoop Shoot and wrestling tournaments for

hundreds of kids and their parents.

- Donated 36 presents to Angels Place for mentally handicapped adults and \$100 to the Canton Fire Department trailer.

That kind of help doesn't go unnoticed. Greg Harris of Plymouth took a personal problem to the Elks and, while he wouldn't talk about the nature of the problem, he couldn't have been more impressed by the assistance the Elks provided.

So impressed was Harris he lobbied local legislators to get Gov. Jennifer Granholm to sign a special tribute to the lodge.

"They showed me the true meaning of forgiveness and compassion," Harris said. "I now understand why people devote their lives to helping others."

It's a far cry from members just sitting around the bar in full party mode, although members acknowledge that's also part of the deal.

Originally, people joined to have a good time, but then it was decided we needed to do something more serious than that," Israel said. "Now we do our good work, and we have fun doing it."

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The public is invited to attend and learn more about their practice.

"We specialize in pediatric and maternity care," said Amanda Apfelblat. "We see a lot of families."

Trained at Michigan State University and Life University in Georgia, she previously practiced in Redford and Westland before founding Michigan Chiropractic Specialists in 2004.

Recently the West Bloomfield couple expanded

their business to include a second spot at 1348 Scott Lake Road in Waterford.

While chiropractic adjustments are most important, Apfelblat said they also have massage therapists on staff. She compared going to the chiropractor with going to the dentist. "It's spinal hygiene," she said.

"You want to get evaluated one time a year, get a check-up once a year to make sure your bones are properly aligned."

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The business, based around a 30-minute workout, already serves over 1,000 women in Livonia. Curves is a national fitness franchise with 8,000 locations.

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Staff writer Stacy Jenkins contributed to this report.

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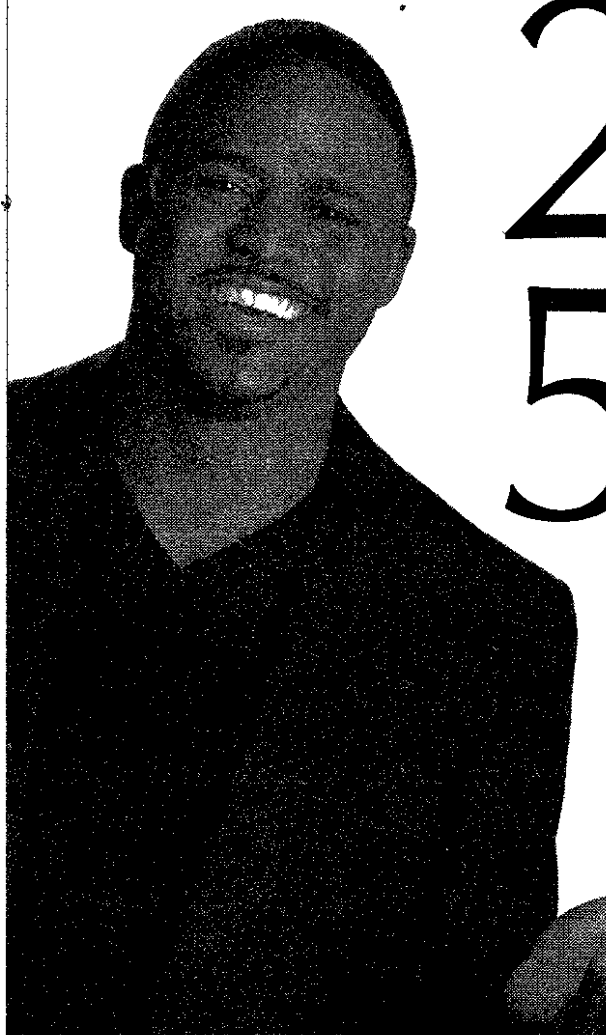
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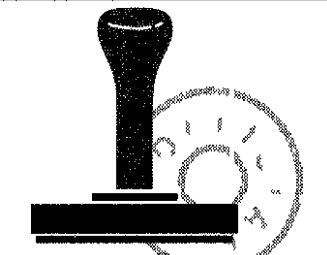
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Gerald E Elston, 83 of Four Seasons Retirement Center, died March 15
Edwin J Eustice, formerly of Birmingham, died March 17

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Roger Royall Gay 72 died March 18
Erma F Gray 93, of Frankenmuth died March 12
Mary Jean Guzick 62, died March 19

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William A Herd Jr, 72, of Oakland, died March 15
David Hodgson 64, of Rochester Hills, died March 10

L
Howard Angell LaDue, 83 died March 16
Jennifer Hay Luby, 44, formerly of West Bloomfield, died March 7

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Flossie B MacDonald, 82 of



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Farmington, died March 17
William L McMurphy 77, of Chesterfield Twp., died March 10
Sofie Miess, 91, of Leonard, formerly of Eastpointe, died March 7

P
Norman F Prentice, 90, of Auburn Hills, died March 5

S
Allen L Smyth, 71, of Pontiac died March 18

T
Catherine T Theisen, 76, of Plymouth, died March 16
Gordon Lee Townsend, 67, formerly of Northville died March 18

U
Myrtle E Umbaugh, 92 of Lady Lakes, Fla formerly of Canton, died March 18

Animals have friend in humane society

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

When the Michigan Humane Society was founded in 1877, it focused on conditions for Detroit's work horses and families in need. The work horses are gone, but the need for animal care remains.

"We've kind of come full circle from our roots," said Marta Diffen, capital campaign administrator for the society, with shelters in Westland, Detroit and Rochester Hills. Diffen spoke Tuesday to the Plymouth A M Rotary, telling the early risers how her organization focuses on cruelty prevention and rescue, along with humane education including school visits and shelter/clinic tours for students.

The MHS took in more than 47,000 animals last year at the three shelters, with 64 percent of those surrendered by owners. The pet education center focuses on behavioral problems and aims to stop the stream of animals coming into the shelters. The MHS also focuses on spaying and neutering adopted animals to cut down on overpopulation. "We operate two teams of cruelty investigators," Diffen said. "We've been called

to Belle Isle for pack dogs running loose there."

The organization is able to place surrendered exotic animals in sanctuaries, she added, although those are getting full.

"Our goal is to place 100 percent of all adoptable animals by the year 2010." Animals receive a health and temperament check and some are then placed for adoption.

The society tries to find foster homes for animals with such illnesses as respiratory infections, who can then be adopted. Some animals must be euthanized.

Adoption counselors work

with people to make sure their lifestyles are compatible with having a pet.

The Westland shelter, on Marquette at Newburgh, is undergoing renovation and expansion, with about 80 percent of that work done. Work on the Detroit and Rochester Hills sites will follow.

"The Humane Society does a great job and we appreciate them," said club president Robert Scoggins, who shared humorous stories about his dog, who doesn't always follow rules. That dog would probably be a state prisoner if human, Scoggins joked.

MILITARY NEWS

Basic training grads

Air Force Airman Jessica Brandt and Airman Nathan A. Staugler have graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airmen studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies, performed drill

and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Brandt, a 2004 graduate of

Salem High School, is the daughter of Cynthia Flora of Plymouth. Staugler is the son of Marlene and Richard Staugler of Canton. He graduated from Canton High School in 2003.

Joining the Army

Luke A. Ritchey has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men

and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

Ritchey, a 2003 graduate of Arcadia High School, Ohio, will report to Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., for active duty July 26, 2005.

He is the son of Susan G Ritchey of Plymouth and James C Ritchey of Cheyenne, Wyo.

LICENSES

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The commission's Local Liquor License Committee annually reviews establishments that sell liquor by the glass against standards in the city's liquor management ordinance. Criteria include violations of state liquor laws and regulations, local ordinance violations, building code infractions, and failure to pay taxes and water bills.

It's the last one that has commissioners recommending that the state yank the licenses of the three establishments.

"Selling liquor by the glass is a privilege, and there is a standard and expectation they will abide by local policies and regulations," said City Manager Paul Sincock. "One of those is paying your taxes and water bills."

According to Sincock, Gladstones owner Kim Guenther owes nearly \$3,800 in back taxes. The Dartmoor which has been closed by

owner Michael Michaud, owes more than \$13,000 in back taxes.

The former owners of the Penn Theatre - James Courtney, Pamela Ann Howe-Cook and John Mazzei - owe nearly \$9,500 in back taxes, according to city records.

While Boulders owner Michelle Dougherty is behind nearly \$12,000 in city taxes, plus \$4,600 in water bills, commissioners voted 5-2 to give her until April 29 after she promised to make good on the arrears. However, Mayor Pro Tem Dan Dwyer sided with Commissioner Michele Potter to recommend that Boulders license not be renewed.

"The part that was particularly discerning to me is that Boulders has more liquor-related police reports than every other facility in Plymouth combined," said Dwyer.

Sincock said in Dougherty's favor was her quick response when confronted by Police Chief Wayne Carroll about the number of police runs. He noted she trained employees

and changed some of her operations.

The letters being sent by the city to the state liquor control commission are only recommendations. The state is not required to take them under consideration in deciding whether to renew liquor licenses in April.

Establishments that were given recommendations for liquor license renewal by the city commission included 336 Main, Compari's, Mayflower Meeting House, City of Plymouth Parks & Recreation (Cultural Center), Hermann's Olde Town Grill, Cafe Bon Homme, Doyle's Tavern, Station 885, E G Nicks, The Box Bar, Plymouth Crossings and Sean O'Callaghan's Public House.

"I'd like to thank all the establishments that have stayed current on all their bills to the city," said Potter.

"Everyone is quite aware of the financial situation we've been in the past couple of years, and it's very helpful to have their bills paid on time."



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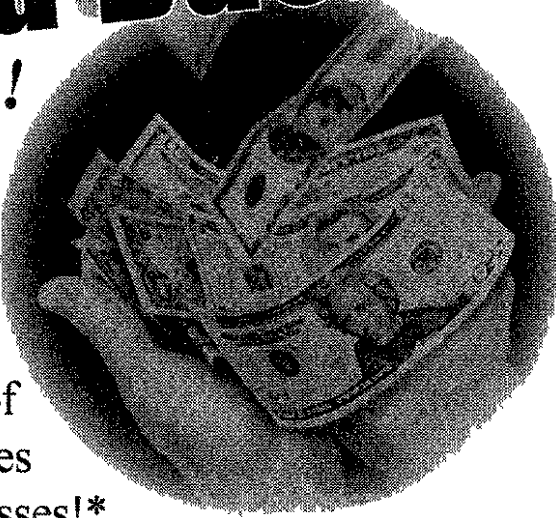


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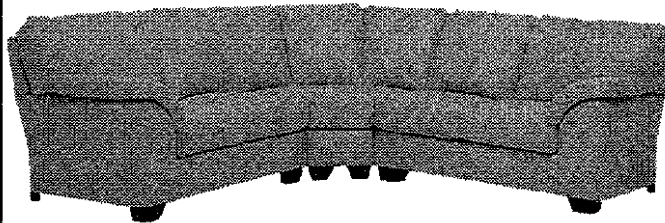
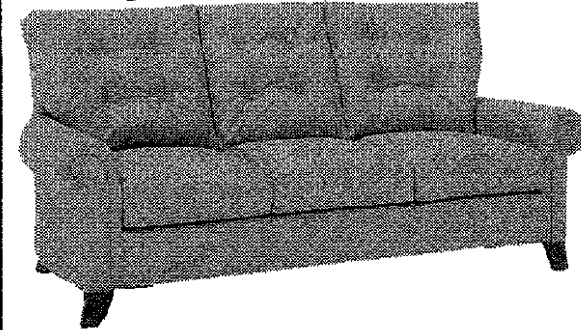
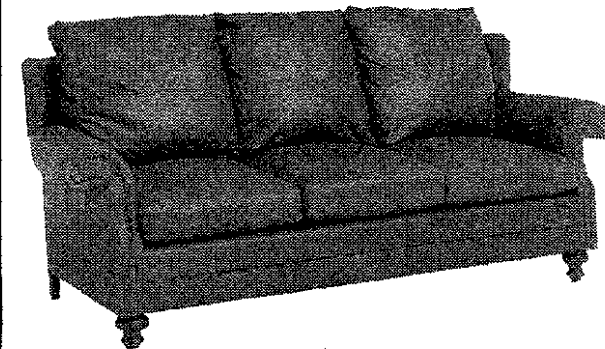
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BURT

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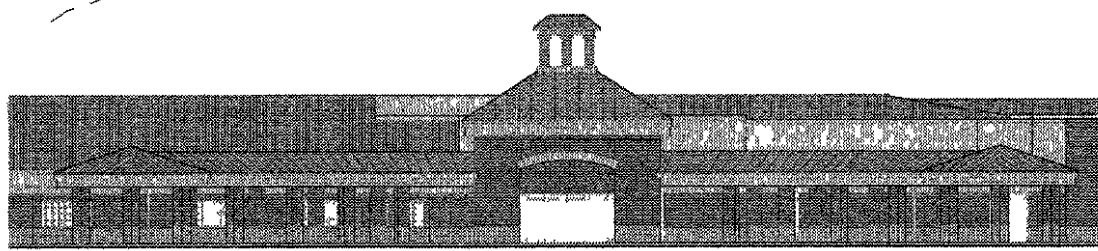
"The whole concept of starting a school from the ground up is exciting," said Burt, 54. "Having a chance to select staff - and building a school community and culture with parents, teachers and students - is a challenge in this phase of my career."

Burt said he anticipates remaining at Eriksson through December, then leaving to work full time on opening the new school.

"I think the district is going to allow me to identify some of the staff this summer, and then start ordering materials, working on policy and a mission statement," Burt said. "As soon as boundaries for families are set, it's my intention to have some regular communication with parents about the progress of that school."

There were four internal candidates who applied for the position.

"We wanted somebody who had a track record of success in the school district," said Barbara Church, assistant superintendent of instruction-



This artistic rendering shows what the new elementary school in Cherry Hill Village will look like. It is scheduled to open in August, 2006.

al services. "Jim has credibility in the district. He brings thoughtful ideas to the discussion, and looks at what's best for students and teachers."

While the Cherry Hill Village school will have the same basic blueprint as Tonda, Bentley, Hoben and Dodson elementaries, it will have several exterior design changes to fit with the Cherry Hill Village theme. It will also be larger by about eight classrooms, housing up to 750 students, and cost about \$13.5 million.

When the school opens, Burt will share the new building with students and staff from Miller Elementary, which will be closed for an entire year to complete \$5.5 million in renovations approved by voters in the September bond issue.

"The challenge will be to

make sure we can provide the service to parents and have the personal connection to kids," Burt said. "We'll need to work extra hard at that."

Groundbreaking for the Cherry Hill Village school is slated for Tuesday, May 17. While a groundbreaking is generally ceremonial in nature, Ken Jacobs, the district's assistant superintendent for administrative services, said in reality it could be the first day a shovel is put in the ground. That will leave 15 months for construction.

"It's certainly an aggressive schedule," Jacobs said.

"You just pray for a dry summer so you don't have sloppy conditions. We need to be closed in by winter, and done by the middle of August (2006) to get an occupancy permit."

As for naming the new school, Frank Ruggirello, director of community relations, said the Board of Education will most likely begin discussions in the fall. "There is a board policy that tells how to name our buildings," he said.

"Elementary schools are named after members of the community."

School board President Mark Slavens said there are a number of people who could be given the honor.

"We'll be getting input from the community on names that are appropriate for the new school," Slavens said.

"The board will then make a final determination after input from the administration."

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NAME GAME

When the Plymouth-Canton School District gets around to naming the new elementary school in Cherry Hill Village officials will likely name it after someone. Here's a list of the other elementary schools in the district and their namesakes.

- Edna M. Allen - Principal at the old Plymouth High School
- Carvel Bentley - Coordinator of apprentice training for the district
- Nellie Bird - First elementary principal for the district
- George Dodson - Former elementary principal at Smith and Gallimore
- Ruth Eriksson - First principal at Smith Elementary
- Helen Farrand - Taught elementary school in the district for 39 years
- Gertrude Fiegel - Teacher in the district
- Mildred Field - Retired as principal of Starkweather Elementary School
- James Gallimore - School Board member for 12 years
- Kenneth & Esther Hulsing - Husband and wife served on the Board of Education
- John Hoben - Former P-CCS superintendent
- Russell Isbister - Former P-CCS superintendent
- Dorothy T. Miller - Taught at Starkweather and Bird elementary schools
- George A. Smith - Former P-CCS superintendent (for 27 years)
- Flossie B. Tonda - School Board member from 1975-1984

15 towns represented at multi-chamber mixer

Nearly 500 business people from more than a dozen suburban communities gathered at Burton Manor on Tuesday for a first-of-its-kind networking event sponsored by the Livonia Chamber of Commerce.

Those affiliated with 15 chambers of commerce convened for drinks, snacks and conversations. It was part of the Livonia chamber's regular "Five O'Clock Connections" program, but Livonia chamber president Wes Graff it's the first time he organized a social mixer that involved this many chambers. He hopes the event was successful enough for those chambers in the region to conduct such gatherings on a

regular basis.

"We held the first one and I think it'll be a great idea if we rotate this event among the various communities in the future," Graff said. "This is a great opportunity to meet people from other communities."

Among those attending Tuesday's event included chamber members and political leaders from Allen Park, Belleville, Canton, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth, Redford, Southern Wayne County, Southfield, Wayne and Westland.

By Dan West

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Auction determines Sheldon Place fate

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

For more than three years it's stood empty, just a shell that was once home to 52 senior citizens. Today Sheldon Place will be sold to the highest bidder at an auction in Detroit.

The building has been vacant since August 2001, when leaks and cracks appeared in the building. On further inspection, structural faults were found, and Sheldon Place residents were relocated.

At the time, the building was just three years old, and cost \$3.4 million to build.

The building could be worth more demolished than it is

standing, however.

Before the IKEA deal was resuscitated, property along Ford Road was selling for \$350,000 and \$400,000 an acre, depending on any special characteristics of the site, said Canton attorney Bryan Amann, who represents land developers and realtors. Since then, some of the property deals being signed are in the range of \$600,000 an acre.

Sheldon Place is situated on a little more than one acre at Ford and Sheldon.

Demolition costs have been estimated by HUD at \$400,000, but there has been no estimate regarding what it would cost to make the necessary structural repairs. Bidders

must have \$50,000 in earnest money and a letter of credit verifying they have access to \$100,000 to ensure that the building will be demolished within 12 months of the sale.

A year ago, a court hearing officer ordered the building's owner, National Church Residences of Ohio, to either fix or demolish the building, setting a deadline for Aug. 1, 2004.

'We have been getting a lot of calls from potential bidders interested in information, but I don't know what the response has been,' said Canton building official John Weyer.

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Adam Sulek (right) and Dennis Crimboli will open a new petting zoo and Sweetwater Village this spring. Construction on the buildings on the 9-acre parcel on Ford Road has already begun.

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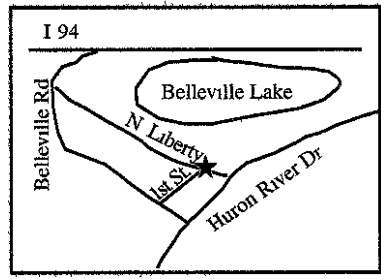
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New petting farm to open this spring

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER



Dennis Crimboli designed Sweetwater Village, a 9-acre petting farm and garden goods store at Crimboli Nursery on Ford Road.

Dennis Crimboli was set to retire. With some 35 years in the landscaping and nursery business under his belt, he was ready to spend more time in Florida and less time caught in the daily grind. Then came the idea to build a petting farm called Sweet Water Farms, and with it dreams of retirement have gone out to pasture.

Sweet Water Farms will take up nine acres at Crimboli Nursery's 20-acre site on Ford Road, between Ridge and Napier.

'What we want to do is to have that apple orchard environment 12 months a year,' Crimboli said of the project.

Sweet Water Farms will feature eight to 10 small cabin-type buildings, replicating farm houses, a corn crib, an out-house and even an old style saloon. Inside the buildings will be unique garden and garden related items and seasonal items such as pumpkins in the fall and Christmas goods in the winter, and Easter plants in the spring.

The new area will feature flowers, annuals and perennials, bird houses and seed, and an assortment of agriculture related goods as well, Crimboli said.

The 'farm' will also be the home of a petting farm with geese and chickens, a cow or

two, a donkey and perhaps even a peacock, Crimboli said. There will also be an entertainment area, with benches and picnic tables, where musical acts will visit from time to time.

A brick path will meander throughout the nine acres of Sweet Water Farms, past little waterfalls and ponds.

'We've always had high-end garden items and hard goods, but there really has been no reason for a family of four to come out and push a stroller around, except if they were going to buy a tree or something, Crimboli said.

He hopes the farm will change that, and his business will become a welcoming place for families.

Crimboli's wife, Linda, will be the Duchess of Sweet Water Farms, and has been shopping all winter for a variety of unique items to appeal to shoppers who will be able to visit starting Memorial Day weekend, when Crimboli hopes to hold his grand opening.

'We'll have all kinds of things so that you could buy something really nice and unique for \$4.99. You wouldn't have to spend \$200 or \$300 to get something you like, though certainly you could do that too,' he said.

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McCotter named vice chair of IPG

Congressman Thaddeus McCotter (M-11) was named vice-chairman of the Canadian Inter-Parliamentary Group by House Speaker Dennis Hastert this week.

Rep. Don Manzullo (R-IL) will chair the group, which is made up of members of Congress and members of Canada's Parliament. The group meets twice per year to discuss critical issues between the United States and Canada.

'With our northern neighbor, I am eager to commence

addressing our common concerns in the areas of trade, manufacturing, homeland security, and the Great Lakes, and, equally, our areas of contention, such as the importation of Canadian waste into Michigan,' said McCotter, a member of the House International Relations Committee. 'In this endeavor, I am honored to be serving with the exchange's Chairman Don Manzullo, the champion of promoting and preserving American manufacturing.'

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HALL

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served on boards for the Plymouth Salvation Army, the Plymouth Symphony and New Morning School

"He's a true Plymouth original," city commissioner Michele Potter said in nominating Graham. He dedicated his life to make Plymouth the perfect place to live and work.

Graham said he was happy to be joining the fraternity of Hall of Famers, because the list of inductees includes familiar names whose impact on the community has been immeasurable.

"There are some notable people in there, Graham said. "I look at those people as being very substantive within the community. They contributed an awful lot in their time and money and positions. I'm quite pleased, because I'm being inducted into a pretty good group of people."

Overholt's involvement in the community goes back a long way. Born in Huntington, Ind., Overholt married his high school sweetheart, Jane Johnson, who had moved to Plymouth. He went off to fight in World War II, then returned to Plymouth in 1946, becoming a life-member of the Plymouth VFW.

With his military communication experience, he began working for Michigan Bell Telephone Company in 1946. Beginning as a telephone installer, he progressed to become a management

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executive in research and development in computer science. He retired after 36 years, but continued on as a member of the Michigan Bell Community Relations Team in service to the Plymouth community.

"I have had many honors given to me over the years, however, to be recognized by my own community, one in which I live, has to be the greatest honor of them all," said Overholt, who also spent 10 years as a Plymouth Township trustee. The Plymouth Community has been an ideal place for Jane and me to live and raise our family, so we both feel it is our privilege and obligation to help make it an even better place to live."

Overholt has served 43 years on the Plymouth Salvation Army advisory board, including a pair of two-year terms as president. He taught Sunday School and was on the board of trustees and the finance committees at Plymouth United Methodist Church and is still a member of the church's administrative board.

Some of his most prominent involvement came with the Kiwanis Club, having helped build the Plymouth club in 1967. He held most offices in the club, including the Michigan District governorship and the presidency of the International Kiwanis. As such, Overholt was asked by President Reagan to serve on a National Study Committee for High School Students. In 1989, Overholt and his wife, Jane, were invited to the White House President George Bush to discuss volunteerism and how Kiwanis could assist him with his One Thousand Points of Light Volunteer Program.

Some years ago, I had the privilege in presenting some of the first Plymouth Hall of Fame awards to Judge Dunbar Davis and Frank Henderson, Overholt said. "That was such a pleasure, as I have always felt the Plymouth Hall of Fame is a fitting expression of acknowledgment and appreciation to the honorees for their contributions and outstanding service to our Plymouth Community.

To be included with the distinguished Plymouth Hall of Fame Award Honorees humbles me in appreciation for this great honor."

Parisian seeks beneficiaries, shoppers for Charity Sale

BY STEPHANIE ANGELYN CASOLA
STAFF WRITER

Early-risers don't have to wait until the day after Thanksgiving to find good deals. Laurel Parks Parisian store is planning its semi-annual Charity Sale just as those spring and summer fashions start flying off the shelves.

The Charity Sale will be 6-10 a.m. Saturday, April 23, at both the Lavonia location on Newburgh north of Six Mile, and the Rochester Hills store at Walton and Adams roads. A private sale, shoppers must obtain a \$5 ticket to attend this early event.

But Randy Dell, manager of the Lavonia location, said they'll get that \$5 right back,

off their first purchase. "It's a free ticket," he said.

In addition, discounts of 10 to 50 percent will be peppered throughout the store, on rarely-discounted merchandise including cosmetics. Shoppers will receive a coupon book upon entering the store detailing deals for the four-hour sale.

The Charity Sale is just that, according to Special Events Coordinator Jill Engel. Schools, school groups and non-profit organizations join in the effort by selling entry tickets - and they retain the full profit of what they sell.

In addition, representatives from groups participating can sell tickets at the store's entrance on the day prior to the

event. Or volunteers can assist Parisian staff members during the sale. Fund raising can go based on the amount of volunteers who participate in these day-before and day-of activities.

Engel said the Charity Sale is held in the spring and fall, and features everything from local church groups to civic organizations to schools.

Local organizations and schools wishing to participate and benefit from the Charity Sale can call (734) 953-7500 for more information. April 16 is the final day for schools and charities to sign up and participate. Tickets will be sold by these organizations, and both Parisian stores, until the day before the event.

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Speaker: Arab world is misunderstood

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Celine Tamimian knows that the 9/11 terrorists are no more representative of the Arab world than the Ku Klux Klan represents all white Americans.

Tamimian, 26, is a Livonia resident and supervisor of educational outreach for the Dearborn-based Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services. She visited the Plymouth-Canton Branch, American Association of University Women, Thursday, March 17, to discuss the Arab world and the role of Arab Americans.

"Many of them don't know the English language," she said of immigrants who receive help at ACCESS. The social service agency helps parents adjust to having children in local public schools, ACCESS offers everything from a health clinic to businesswear for those going on job interviews.

Tamimian, who has been in the U.S. two years, earned a B.A. in English literature and language and a master's in American studies from the University of Jordan. She is of Armenian ancestry and was born in Jordan. She noted that Islam is the dominant religion in the Arab world, but the majority of Arab Americans are Christian.

She said "Middle East" is a geopolitical term created by the British during the colonial era. It is inaccurate, she added, as it includes such non-Arab countries as Afghanistan, Turkey and Israel. It also excludes some Arab countries such as Mauritania in northern Africa. Some were surprised to learn that Iran is not an Arab country.

LANGUAGE MATTERS

The Arabic language is the main unifying factor in the Arab world, Tamimian said,

and although there are dialects the standard form is taught in school and used in news reports. All 22 Arab nations belong to the League of Arab States, formed in 1945.

She cited the diverse physical features of Arab people, and the role intermarriage plays in that.

"What's the first thing that comes to your mind?" she asked the AAUW audience about Arabs. Tamimian said many Arabs are Christian, and some are Jewish. Tunisia, in fact, has one of the holiest synagogues.

There are more Muslims in India than Saudi Arabia, she noted. "Arab does not mean Muslim."

"When you say someone is an Arab American, what does that mean?" Their ancestors came from one of the 22 countries in Asia or northern Africa. Some are U.S. citizens and some legal permanent residents.

Tamimian described the waves of immigration beginning in the 1880s and continuing to the present. "Many Arabs were working in that factory. It's because of the River Rouge factory," she said in explaining the strong Arab-American presence in Dearborn.

Political conflicts and wars have brought many to American shores. Some 490,000 Michiganders or about 5 percent of the state is Arab, with our area having the highest concentration of Arabs and Arab Americans. Not all of them live in Dearborn or one area," Tamimian said, citing the Coptics (Egyptian Christians) in Troy as one example.

Arab culture features strong families, and respect for elders which makes putting a loved one in a nursing home unlikely. Gender roles are specific.

"Usually, the mother is the one who stays in the house,

Tamimian said, although some women are employed.

Arab culture is noted for its generosity and sense of hospitality as well, she added.

Tamimian covered basics of Islam, a monotheistic religion. Allah in Arabic literally means God. The Quran contains the word of God as revealed to the prophet Muhammad.

She covered differences in Sunni and Shi'a branches, and the five common beliefs: declaration of faith, prayer, fasting (mainly in the month of Ramadan), charity, and a pilgrimage to Mecca once in a lifetime. "If they are physically and financially able

GOOD RESPONSE

AAUW members and guests enjoyed the St. Patrick's Day speaker. "She was outstanding," said program chair Jan Blumberg of Canton, principal at Henry Ruff Elementary in Garden City. "She's just a very warm person."

Blumberg lost a son, Army Sgt. Trevor, in the Iraq war. She said at her school staff tries to teach students to respect each other.

Awareness is absolutely vital," agreed Sharon Belobraidich of Plymouth Township, diversity chair for the branch.

"People don't understand, they don't understand other cultures.

Belobraidich, who spent nearly 40 years teaching in Plymouth-Canton elementaries, recalled earning her master's at Eastern Michigan University with a focus on human relations.

"Life isn't worth living without the humanity," she added.

Tamimian added the Arab American National Museum is set to open May 5 at Michigan Avenue and Schafer in Dearborn.

"We're hoping that the museum will enhance our mission," she said.

STUDENTS

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and cooperation between the school and the community, he said, such as people from garden clubs, parents, teachers, administrators and students. And, business, many times, contributes funds.

Ann Page wrote the proposal for Allen Elementary with a special interest in mind. Page teaches emotionally impaired fourth- and fifth-grade students, and believes the habitat project will enhance her students' learning experience.

"I had the boys in mind when I applied," Page said. "They don't always have an opportunity to do hands-on activities. They'll be preparing the soil and planting, and putting in whatever we decide."

"It will give them a life skills experience, and will help their self-esteem," she said. "When they look at the finished product, they can say they took part in it."

Work on Allen's habitat will begin in September, after summer construction work is completed at the school. Page said plans include building birdhouses and adding plants that will attract birds and other animals.

"Because each grade level does a life science unit, we can incorporate the courtyard



Wildlife habitats like this one at Field Elementary are already in place at Central and West middle schools and Salem High School, and are planned at Bentley, Farrand and Hoban elementaries.

habitat so the entire school can use it for their studies," she said. Each year we hope to expand the habitat.

Plymouth-Canton's K-12 Curriculum Coordinator for science and math, Janet Kahan, said the grant money is a welcome sight.

"We would never be able to do this with school funding," Kahan said. "We have such a strict budget, we don't have money for these kinds of enhancements."

The habitats will permit a collaboration between teachers, students and parents to do something that will have a lasting impact, she said.

Habitat projects at Bentley, Farrand and Hoban will begin in this spring. Other

Plymouth-Canton schools that currently have habitats include Central and West middle schools and Salem High School.

Plymouth Community United Way President Marie Morrow said there could be additional grants in the future.

"We're pleased to be partners with Plymouth-Canton Schools to provide outdoor learning environments to students," she said. "There's certainly the potential to develop other outdoor classrooms in the district. We believe they can help catapult the Plymouth-Canton school district into the forefront in providing environmental education."

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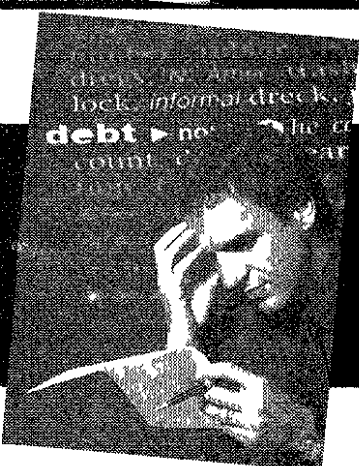
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OUR VIEWS

Plymouths need attitude check

To hear officials in the hierarchy of city and township government talk publicly, one would think they are the best of friends, eager to forge partnerships for the betterment of both communities.

To hear them talk privately, however, is an entirely different story, frequently filled with expletives and derogatory comments expected more of a mortal enemy.

It's the private attitudes that need to change if the actions of their representatives are ever going to match their public tone.

The latest spat comes over divvying up property taxes when developers build a potential \$12 million, 100-condominium project on 10.5 acres of CSX railroad property. Complicating the matter is the fact the property straddles the city and township boundary, with two-thirds in the city.

The two municipalities have struggled for more than a year to put together an inter-governmental agreement.

The two municipalities have struggled for more than a year to put together an intergovernmental agreement. All of the access to the property is in the city, which wants to annex the property and give the township a share of property taxes at the township's millage rate.

Therein lies the rub. The worth of said property taxes. The township said the city has offered \$8,900 a year, city officials say they're offering \$30,000 a year, an offer they call "more than fair."

You'd think this would be something fairly easy to negotiate, if people would sit at the table long enough. But listen to the tone.

City Commissioner Phil Pursell: "We're between a rock and a hard place until the township does something. They're holding us up. I'm not going to vote on anything that has to do with the township until they get off the dime."

Plymouth Township Treasurer Ron Edwards: "We're asking for fairness in this. I have a fiduciary duty for township residents. I'm not going to give away our community just because the city needs taxable property. Every time the city has financial problems, they come to us for a bailout."

One township official even said: "If we'd heard the \$30,000 figure, there would be something to discuss. Which begs the question: Why don't these sides simply sit down at the bargaining table and stay there until a deal is reached? Neither municipality is well enough off to risk losing revenue generated by a \$12 million development, which is a genuine risk if the developer is forced to wait much longer."

We grant there's no law that says these people have to like each other, nor is there any rule about doing projects together. However, there is so much in this community — dispatch, fire, recreation — that just makes sense to do together, and all the acrimony only makes life more difficult.

Easter celebration matches message

Compared to Christmas, Easter gets the short shrift. There are fewer decorations in homes and malls, no gift exchanges and no office parties.

But Easter is the most holy of Christian holidays, commemorating Jesus' resurrection from the dead more than 2,000 years ago.

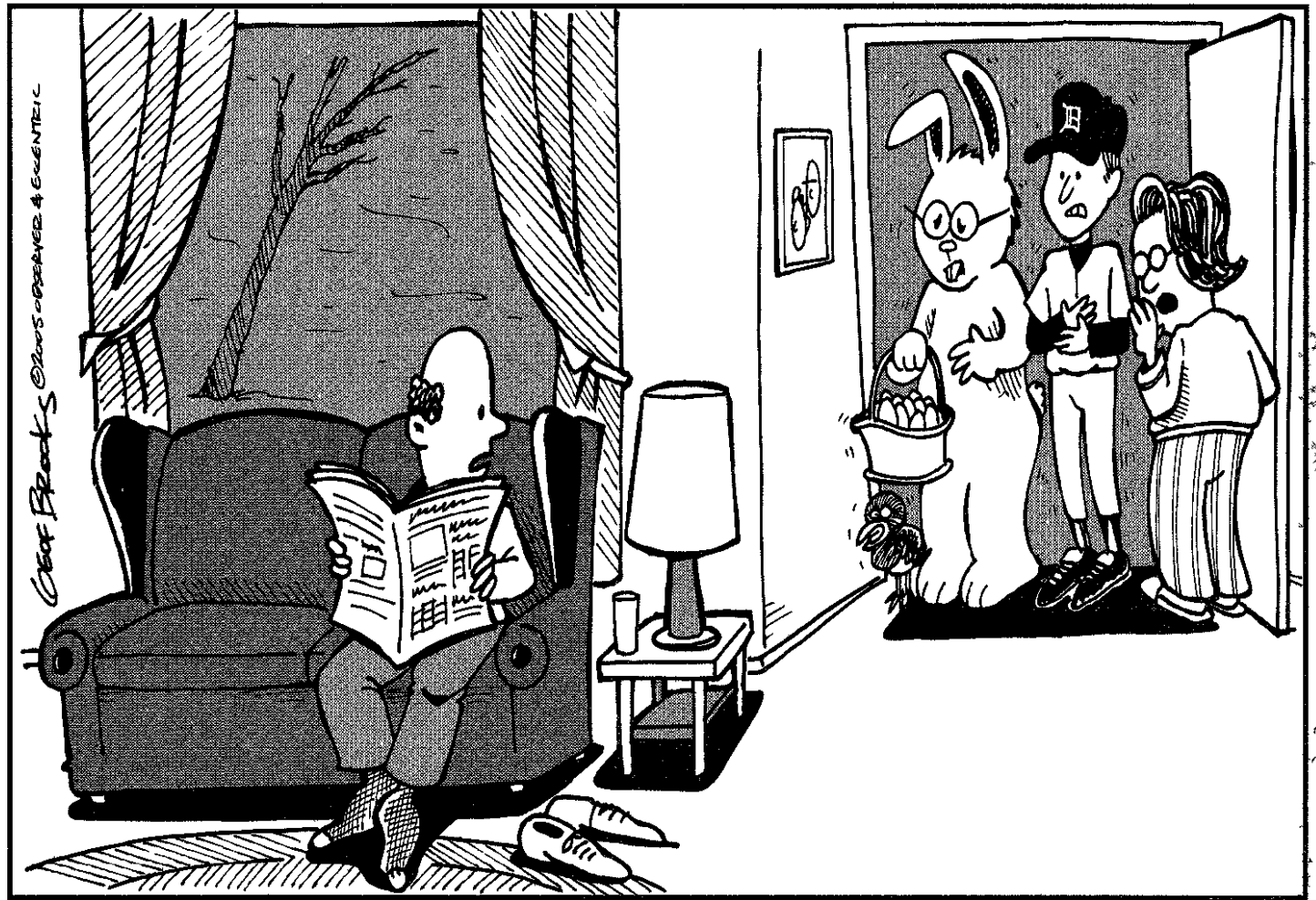
It sets Christianity apart from other world religions. Other faiths teach that people have to earn their way to heaven. Christians believe Jesus paid the price for them.

The Bible says Jesus was God's son, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of a virgin, who lived the only perfect life and took the punishment for everyone else's sins by dying on the cross. If we believe in him, the scriptures say, we too will live forever in heaven.

Christmas has little significance without Easter. If Jesus hadn't risen from the grave, as the Bible says, he would have been just another prophet or philosopher and his birth likely would not continue to be celebrated today.

Though it doesn't get the same attention Christmas does in secular society, Easter is many Christians' favorite holiday. Perhaps it's how simply the holiday is celebrated — there's no frenzied decorating, baking, wrapping and hurrying from one party to the next.

The uncomplicated observance is in keeping with the Christian faith's simple message: believe and be saved. The work has all been done.



"Honey, it's the first robin of Spring, the Easter Bunny and Alan Trammell begging to come inside and get warm."

LETTERS

Priorities skewed

It is very disappointing to see the hesitation Plymouth Township has in approving the Sheldon Road overpass.

The township is ready to move forward on a new \$13 million township hall, but it doesn't want to move forward with the \$12 million portion of a \$12 million major road improvement. How many Plymouth Township residents are going to notice the difference in an improved Sheldon road every day compared to using the township hall?

I bet 1,000 Plymouth Township residents will use the overpass every day for each resident that walks through the new hall. Also consider the extra safety provided to emergency response units the overpass will provide. And yet the township wants to spend 10 times the money on a new township hall rather than improving the township itself.

Is this an example of the priorities township residents want?

Greg Pappas
Plymouth

More on Wendy's

I am writing to echo the concerns addressed in the March 10 letter of C.A. Martin (Wendy's apology).

The act of changing a diaper should be performed in the privacy of a restroom and, presumably, the Wendy's dining establishment at Ford Road and Haggerty was equipped with restrooms. That the couple that was mentioned chose to conduct such an unhygienic act on a dining room table is bizarre and unacceptable.

The response of the presiding manager to the situation, however, is completely infuriating and reflects poorly on not only that establishment, but all Wendy's restaurants everywhere.

The precepts of customer service are nothing more than meaningless blather if not guided by a genuine concern and respect for the well-being and safety of all customers.

Wendy's management should address this situation immediately and apologize. I would not patronize any Wendy's establishment until such action occurs.

Jonathan Quirk
Northville

Earth not flat

I found the reply (to my letter of March 3, 2005) of state Sen. Bruce Patterson quite interesting. In my letter I said I trust what the senator says but wasn't there a concern for what the public might think?

I was surprised by how quickly the senator responded, but was disappointed in his demeaning and belittling response. He said I must still think the Earth is flat. I don't believe my thinking is out dated to expect all of our elected officials to be beyond reproach in action and image. But then, what do I know? I'm just a constituent with a concern.

I've lived in Canton almost 28 years and the senator is correct in that we have never met. But I would like to make his

acquaintance — if I don't have to travel too far. I might fall off the edge.

Mike Gresock
Canton

No real 'good'

On Feb. 25, tens of thousands of Lebanese took to the streets to protest Syrian occupation of their country. President Bush demanded an end to Syria's occupation of Lebanon.

President Bush tells the Syrian government to take their troops out of Lebanon. However, on March 20, 2004, the first anniversary of the war in Iraq, tens of thousands of Americans, Europeans, Asians and especially Iraqis in Baghdad took to the streets to protest the war and occupation of Iraq. President Bush in his Saturday address said, "The liberation of Iraq was good for the Iraqi people, good for America and good for the world."

Mr. Bush's "good" for America brought death to 1,510-plus young men and women, maimed 5,833-plus and killed 16,214 Iraqis (civilians). The only good that came out of this war was for Mr. Bush and his cronies.

Phyllis Clancy
Northville

Unfortunate tone

I was disappointed with the unfortunate tone of your recent news story regarding Gov. Jennifer Granholm's proposals for the Michigan Merit Award (Educators Stopping MEAP money a mistake, Observer, Feb. 27).

To suggest the governor has been anything but supportive of education in Michigan is disingenuous and misleading. The reality is through Gov. Granholm's leadership more Michigan students will have access to greater financial resources in the years ahead.

In her State of the State address, Gov. Granholm proposed a new Merit Award program, one that not only increases the award to \$4,000 per student, but also rewards young people for completing two years of college, earning an associate's degree, or completing the equivalent in professional training. Recipients will be able to use their awards in any way they choose to pay off student loans, buy a car or to sock it away in savings.

It is also important to note that, under the governor's budget proposal for fiscal 2006, no high school graduate who has qualified for the Merit Award and who attends a Michigan college or university would receive less than \$2,500. That is the same amount that has previously been awarded to qualifying students in the graduating classes of 2000 through 2004.

The governor's budget proposal for the upcoming fiscal year also includes a significant K-12 funding increase of more than \$316 million.

Tough budgetary times call for tough choices. Gov. Granholm has faced these choices head on, cutting more than \$3 billion from the state budget in just over two years, while maintaining her steadfast support of education.

Jay B. Rising
state treasurer

Rise above

Jack Lessenberry's article (Belle Isle Aquarium another sad chapter in city's history, March 6) about the closing of the Belle Isle Aquarium encapsulates the decline of the city in stark terms. When residents and businesses began to leave the city in droves during the latter decades of the 20th century, they probably gave little thought to what would happen to the city's cultural attractions. The economic decline of the city has taken a severe toll on the ability of the city government to support the many fine facilities that used to define the city.

We live in the midst of a region in which the affluent suburbs are relatively poor in cultural institutions. The impoverished city is stuck with paying the bill for the area's major cultural attractions. This condition has developed because our leaders have confused two different conceptions of the city. A city can be conceptualized as a statutory entity, or as an organic entity. The organic city is the city of history. Cities developed originally as places where people could meet their needs for residence, commerce and culture, all in easy proximity to each other. Organic cities provide places to live, to work, to shop, and to recreate.

The hundreds of municipal subdivisions that compose the Detroit metropolitan area are not organic cities. They are statutory cities. They were created under a 19th century concept of local home rule. The city of Detroit once was an organic city but is no longer, because of the extensive migrations that have weakened it. It is now a statutory city like the others. What we have succeeded in doing has been to assign the responsibility for maintaining our most expensive institutions to the statutory entity least able to do so.

We must recognize that the metropolitan area is our organic city. Leaders in government, commerce, and the arts must create ways for the many local subdivisions to provide resources to support our city's cultural institutions. This situation represents an opportunity for civic leadership to rise above the narrow interests that usually define our actions.

Earl Newman
Redford

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Spring in Michigan is season of discontent

April is the cruelest month breeding
Lilacs out of the dead land mixing
Memory and desire stirring
Dull roots with spring rain

TS Ehot (*The Waste Land*) had it wrong, at least for Michigan April isn't the cruelest month. It's March, not really winter — but not yet spring.

Officially, spring this year started at the equinox (when light and dark in a 24-hour period are equal) last Sunday. But this so far is the fifth coldest March since the 1870s, according to the National Weather Service.

And the winter which has just officially ended — but still seems too much with us — was among the snowiest on record, with an average of 84 inches in southeastern Michigan.

Yet since it's officially spring now, there are grounds for hope. At our house, the snowdrops just started blooming over the weekend, pale green and white, and if I look carefully I can see the crocuses just beginning to stick their green tops above the winter-yellowish grass.

But it's still a cruel time for Michigan. The story that General Motors is going to lose money on automobile operations this year came as a big shock to most people. The folks I talk with at GM are saying that the best outcome they can see is to soldier on for another five years or so, when the "legacy costs" of hundreds of retirees begin to come down and, maybe, somebody will do something about the rising costs of health care.

Any chance for a radical restructuring of the company, along the lines of smaller but better? Negative, say my GM sources. It's too big, too complicated, and the iron grip of the United Auto Workers union on costs — labor contracts with the auto industry make labor, in effect, into a fixed cost — is as firm as ever.

Of course, now that Chrysler's long-forgotten side deal with the UAW has surfaced, which allows the company to do something about health care costs, you may be sure that the phone will be ringing off the hook in the office of Ron Gettelfinger, the UAW's president.

Until he answers it, you may be sure that the market share of our two remaining domestic manufacturers will keep going down. Michigan's unemployment, now tied with Mississippi for second highest in the nation, is hostage to the automobile industry, both manufacturers and the supply chain. To her credit, Gov. Jennifer

Granholtz is making a pitch to Toyota to put a new manufacturing plant in Michigan. But its nearness to Solidarity House seems more than likely to spook the Japanese.

Granholtz is also proposing some changes in the Single Business Tax designed to help out the manufacturing sector. But the insurance industry is howling. The state Chamber of Commerce, resolute in its opposition to any taxes at all, is grumpy. And the Republicans who run the Legislature are happy to let the governor twist slowly in the wind.

Just a quick glance at the situation in Lansing is enough to suggest despair. There are now so many constituencies at the table that any serious effort to change the fundamental rules of the game here in Michigan seems almost certain to get bogged down.

My old friend, Craig Ruff, advises me it was not always thus. He recounts the days in the 1960s, when George Romney was governor and the idea of creating a Single Business Tax was fresh on everybody's mind. When it finally came down to crunch time, according to Ruff, the only people gathered around the table in the governor's conference room were from General Motors, Ford and the UAW. Michigan's economics and politics were concentrated in those days in a way difficult to imagine today.

Which is why I'm beginning to lose hope that any public policy fixes might be a success. The climate is too partisan. There are too many contending constituencies. Term-limited legislators have been there too short a time and by and large know far too little about what they're doing.

But there is hope in the news from Oakland County, where County Executive L. Brooks Patterson wants to blanket the entire county with wireless Internet by 2006. Yes, all 910 square miles and 61 cities, villages and townships! The technology would let anybody with a PC, laptop or other Internet-compatible device have full access to the Internet without any direct wire connection.

He sees that widespread Internet access is a basic tool to connect people and companies with the essential technology of our age.

County-wide wireless access would help Oakland attract and retain "brain-based" businesses that are much more the future than old-fashioned "brawn-based" manufacturing that relies more on bending metal than bending neurons.

That — coupled with the certainty that spring will really come, some day — makes me feel just a little better.

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



Phil Power

People need to be heard on transportation issues

Transportation issues impact all of us. Whether you are stuck in traffic because of a construction project or you have broken an axle in one of the area's numerous potholes, the state of our roads has an impact on your time and your finances.

As chair of the House Transportation Committee, I am spending the next few weeks touring the state listening to residents talk about their transportation needs and concerns.

We are hoping to answer the following questions: How is the Michigan Department of Transportation's five-year plan impacting local municipalities? How is the plan impacting growth — both business and residential? What parts of the plan are working? What parts of the plan can be improved? What can the transportation committee do to improve people's quality of life?

The first hearing took place in Canton and I was very pleased with the amount of interest it garnered and the large number of residents that came out to express their views.

It is important when hearings like this come to our area that people participate, and I was thrilled with the turnout. It was very interesting to hear residents' take on the importance of public transportation and what they think should be done in various areas to help ease congestion.

There are several other hearings scheduled for the metro Detroit area — Brighton, Waterford and Detroit. I encourage you to attend.

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Michigan residents pay into this tax with every gallon of gas they purchase. Michigan currently receives 90 cents for every dollar the state sends to Washington, D.C. These resolutions ask our congressional delegation to do everything they can to ensure we get more of that money back to utilize right here at home.

State Rep. **Phil LaJoy**, R-Canton, was elected in 2002 to represent a district that includes portions of Canton Township, Belleville and Van Buren Township. He was recently appointed chair of the House Transportation Committee.



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The effect is that the flora of that segment of resting bowel changes. All of us have bacteria in our small and large intestine. The effect of motion and food through the bowel determines the type of bacteria that will reside in the intestine. Change the conditions of a segment of bowel and the bacteria residing in the segment will change.

In most cases, the body has no trouble accommodating to this change. However, at times the new bacteria flora sets up an immune reaction in the body. The result is arthritis, called the arthritis of bowel bypass surgery.

This arthritis can come on at any time from 2 months to 2 years after bariatric surgery. The arthritis occurs in the hips, knees or ankles, involving one joint or several. The pain can be intense and incapacitating, attacks usually last for several days to a week. Joint injections, a short course of oral steroids or non-steroidal drugs resolve the episode. The arthritis may return in a month or year or later, and will resolve again with retreatment.

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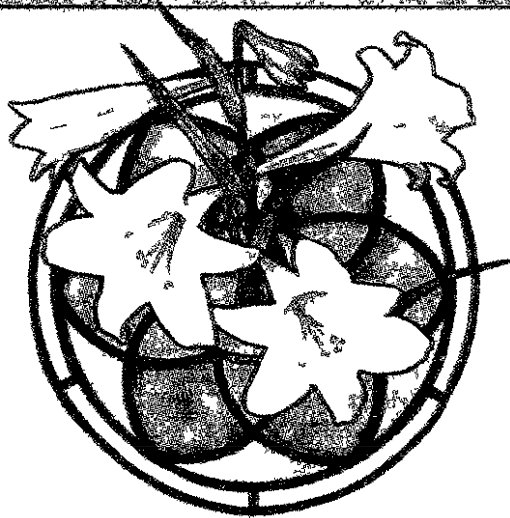
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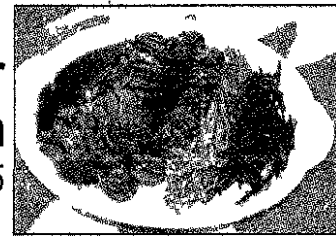
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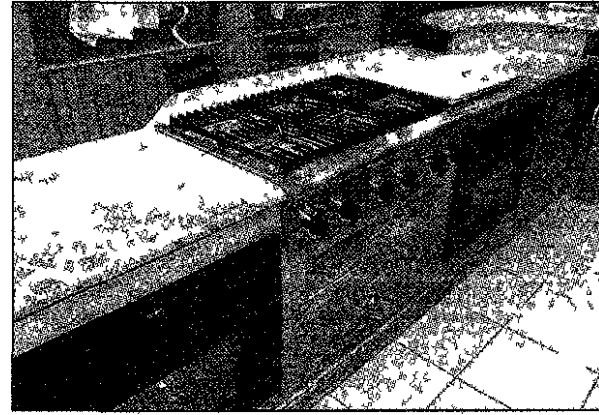


THE ROCKWELL FAMILY
The kitchen in the home of the family of Tom and Elizabeth Rockwell didn't have much room

After



The Rockwells' kitchen features an island with two ovens, a six-burner cooktop, a microwave oven and a sink with a drinking fountain



These six burners and two ovens help when more than one of the children want to cook

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Modernism preview

The gala preview of the Michigan Modernism Exhibition will benefit ArtServe Michigan and the Detroit Area Art Deco Society

The preview will take place 7:10 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Southfield Civic Center, 26000 Evergreen, between 10 and 11 Mile Road. Tickets are \$65 in advance, \$75 at the door, \$150 Patron

Tickets are available at www.artservemichigan.org/moderne, and at Artspace (phone (248) 258-1540) and David Klein Gallery (phone (248) 433-3700) in Birmingham. Decades in Plymouth (phone (734) 354-0142), Hersh's at the Boardwalk in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 626-7776), Lemberg Gallery in Ferndale (phone (248) 591-6623), Knightsbridge Antique Mall in Northville (phone (248) 344-7200), and Antiques on Main (phone (248) 705-9665) and Deco Doug (phone (248) 547-3330) in Royal Oak

The preview will feature select wines, sophisticated light fare, and DJ powdrblu. Attendees will be able to shop an assortment of furnishings, art work and collectibles, including art glass, jewelry, sculpture, lamps and vintage clothing

Classic Rockwell



Members of the Rockwell family stand inside their recently remodeled kitchen in their home in Farmington Hills. Joining their parents Tom and Elizabeth (right) are Isaac (left of parents, then clockwise), Mary Alice, Kristen, Philip, Sara, Mark and Paul

Kitchen expanded for family of 10

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

The Rockwell family members love to cook

And the old kitchen wasn't big enough considering the children — all eight of them (Sara, Mark, Paul, Kristen, Philip, Alice, Mary and Isaac) — spend time in the kitchen along with their parents Elizabeth and Tom

It was time to get to work on their Farmington Hills home. After all, one dishwasher, one oven and a four-burner range wasn't enough for this crew

"It was a rather cramped kitchen when we all wanted to do something at the same time," said Elizabeth

OPENING UP

In 2003, Elizabeth and Tom hired an

interior designer and contractor to help them plan a new kitchen. Tammy Wyland, co-owner of Kitchens By Design with Michael George, was the designer. She recommended that they remove a wall on the north side of the kitchen to open up the kitchen to a side window

An island was created, featuring a sink with a drinking fountain, Thermador six-burner cooktop, two Bosch ovens and a microwave oven

Granite countertops were installed on the island. With the microwave moved into the island and a coffee pot placed in another room, more counter top space was created

Old cabinets were removed and new ones, featuring a hard maple glaze, were installed, along with tumbled travertine wall tile

The family kept the old refrigerator. The old gas stove had a four-burner top, but a new cooktop with six burners would allow more cooking to be done (Elizabeth also had a big pot that was so large it melted laminate near the stove with the old cooktop, so she knew she needed something larger)

Two huge drawers on the island have baking supplies and a variety of cookie cutters, another contains pots and pans. It doubled — if not tripled — the space we had, Elizabeth said of the remodel

Still, they need additional space, even today. Pots and pans are on shelves in the mud/laundry room, which also has cabinetry that matches the kitchen

PLEASE SEE KITCHEN, B4

News and views: Learn about the buzz behind blogs



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

have become a blog junkie. In case you're unfamiliar with the term, "blog" derives from "Web log," which itself is just a fancy way of saying online diary

For a long time I didn't think much of the idea. Why would I want to read the random ravings of a bunch of strangers? As it turns out, the best blogs aren't random ravings at all, but rather topic-specific news and views

Take Engadget, one of my

favorites. Every day the author churns out a dozen or more blurbs regarding new gadgets and gear. Each blurb includes a product photo and the author's unique, often amusing take

For instance, here's the recent opener to a late-breaking rumor about a new PDA: "They sound more like some fanboy's wish list than an actual leaked spec sheet, but some sketchy details have turned up for what is supposed to be palmOne's next flagship handheld, the Tungsten T6"

Then there's the Web's most famous blogger (person who writes a blog), the Washingtonienne, who made headlines last year with racy accounts of her exploits as a Capitol Hill intern

Needless to say, a blog can consist of anything anyone cares to write. From the author's standpoint, it's the chance to voice an opinion on any subject — MSU basketball, things over-

PLEASE SEE BLOGS, B3



GARDEN CALENDAR

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 landscape designer and horticulturist. Register by mail, fax, Web or walk in. For more information call (734) 462-4448.

Egg hunt

An Easter Egg Hunt will take place 1 p.m. Saturday March 26 at all five English Gardens stores. The Easter Bunny will visit from noon to 3 p.m. and be available for photographs. 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).

African violets

The Michigan State African Violet Society will have its annual Spring Display and Plant Sale Saturday Sunday March 26-27 at Matthaei Botanical Gardens 1800 Dixboro in Ann Arbor. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. A great variety of African violets will be for sale. Many generaters and supplies will be available. Best selections are on Saturday.

Lawns

English Gardens will present a free gardening seminar Lawn Care 11 a.m. Saturday March 26 at its stores 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). Learn the basics of proper watering, fertilizing and mowing to give you a healthy lawn during the spring and throughout the year. For the nearest English Gardens call (800) 335-GROW or visit www.englishgardens.com.

Healthy lawn care

Learn about proper lawn care from the experts in the free 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. Advance registration is requested. To register call the Oak Park Department

of Public Works at (248) 691-7497 weekdays or e-mail LFDean@aol.com. Topics covered will include mowing, fertilizing, watering and weed management with minimum pesticides. Gary Eichen, plant health care specialist, Mike's Tree Surgeons Inc. will be the featured speaker. Rick Billings, owner of Billings Lawn Equipment, will update the audience on lawn mowers and other equipment. Lillian Dean of the Southeastern Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority (SOCRA) Healthy Lawns Program will highlight soil health and soil nutrient testing. Registration and table displays will open at 6:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Rose Society

The Metropolitan Rose Society will meet 7:15 p.m. Friday April 1 at the Royal Oak Senior/Community Center 3500 Marais east of Crooks and north of 13 Mile Road. Tom Taylor, noted rose judge and consulting rosarian, will speak on Everything You Wanted to Know About Pruning Your Roses. Admission is free. The public may attend. For more information call (248) 689-9529.

Sense of humus

Southeast Oakland County Water Authority master composter volunteers will present free one-hour workshops Secrets of the Soil With a Sense of Humus Saturday April 2 at four English Gardens stores. The workshops are part of English Gardens Garden Party event. Topics to be covered include secrets of the soil, soil testing, making compost the easy way, using compost to protect water quality and earth-friendly fertilizers. Times are 10 a.m. at English Gardens in West Bloomfield and Royal Oak/Troy 1 p.m. at English Gardens in Dearborn Heights and Clinton Township.

Advance registration requested. Call SOCWA weekdays at (248) 288-5150. In addition, master composters will be on hand 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the West Bloomfield and Royal Oak/Troy stores to assist with soil testing. Soil test kits will be available for purchase and hands-on instruction provided. For English Gardens locations call (800) 335-GROW or visit www.englishgardens.com.

Farmington Garden Club

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at noon Monday April 4 at Longacre House on the west side of Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile. Composting experts Jane and Allan Geisler will speak on Organic Gardening, showing slides and discuss-

ing cussing gardens in which only organic products are used. Guests are welcome.

Livonia Garden Club

The Livonia Garden Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Tuesday April 5 at the Livonia Senior Center Five Mile at Farmington Road. Carole Czechowski will demonstrate how to develop and maintain topiaries. Visitors are welcome.

Perennials

Learn start-up tips for the gardener who is new to perennial flowers in Perennial Tips, a class scheduled Wednesday April 6 at The Community House in Birmingham. Fee is \$22. To register and for more information call The Community House at (248) 644-5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com. In the class, you will receive information on plant selection, planting and care that will save you time and money and make your garden look more like a catalog picture. Sooner Instructor Julia Dingle has been an advanced master gardener since 1995 and an instructor with the Michigan School of Gardening since 1999. She is a principal of The Classic Garden, a custom design, installation and maintenance service.

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes for different levels at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia just west of Middlebelt and at Goldner Walsh Nursery 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph. Register early. Seating is limited. Some classes have pre-requisites. For more information call (248) 4-GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com. The schedule includes Landscape Design seven Thursdays beginning March 24 in Livonia (fee is \$232), Pruning Trees and Shrubs three sessions beginning Thursday March 24 in Pontiac or Wednesday April 6 in Livonia (\$102), Ins and Outs of Plants Mondays April 4-18 in Livonia (\$102), Weeds Tuesday April 5 in Livonia (\$42), Solving Common Pest and Disease Problems four sessions beginning Wednesday April 6 in Pontiac (\$137) and Choosing and Using Annuals and Perennials five sessions beginning Thursday April 7 in Pontiac (\$168).

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English Gardens sets seminars

English Gardens will host its annual Garden Party Weekend Saturday-Sunday, April 2-3 at all five English Gardens stores.

The weekend will include free gardening seminars and information, a look at what's new for the season, and refreshments.

"After a particularly cold winter, everyone is ready for spring," said John Darin, president of English Gardens.

English Gardens Garden Party Weekend is our celebration of spring and a kickoff to April's National Gardening Month.

Free seminars will include presentations on container gardening, lawn care, new annuals and perennials, landscaping, orchids and arranging fresh flowers. Presentations are planned 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 2 and 1 and 3 p.m. April 3 at all stores.

English Garden stores are in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851-7506), Royal Oak (phone (248) 280-9500), Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278-4433), Clinton Township (phone (586) 286-6100) and Eastpointe (phone (586) 771-4200).

For the nearest location, call (800) 335-GROW or visit www.englishgardens.com. Topics and presenters include:

■ **Hot Plant Combinations: The Magic of Mixing**, by Nancy Szerlag, gardening columnist and author - 1 p.m. in Royal Oak and 4 p.m. in West Bloomfield April 2, 1 p.m. April 3 in Clinton Township. The trend of container gardening continues to grow. See new ideas of combining plant

materials and learn the secrets of a successful container garden.

■ **Create the Lawn Your Neighbors Will Envy**, by Scotts Fertilizer Lawn experts - 10 a.m. in Dearborn Heights, 1 p.m. in Eastpointe and 4 p.m. in Royal Oak April 2, 1 p.m. in West Bloomfield and 3 p.m. in Clinton Township April 3.

A beautiful green lawn is the backdrop to a perfect garden and easy to obtain if you follow the right steps. Learn the secrets for lawn care from the experts.

■ **What to Plant Now**, by Sue Urban, English Gardens associate - 10 a.m. in Clinton Township and 4 p.m. in Eastpointe April 2, 1 p.m. April 3 in Dearborn Heights.

There are lots of flowers, perennials and vegetables to plant in the garden this time of year. You'll be shown options to provide instant color and tips for making your garden flourish.

■ **Sense of Humus: Secrets of the Soil**, by representatives from Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority and Groundwater Stewardship Program (SOCWA) - 10 a.m. in West Bloomfield and Royal Oak, 1 p.m. in Dearborn Heights and Clinton Township, April 2.

Healthy soil is the key to a successful garden. Learn the basics of soil care, the benefits of compost and how to make and use compost in your garden. Information on Michigan State University's soil nutrient testing program will also be discussed.

■ **Designing Outdoor Living Spaces**, by English Gardens

landscape designers - 10 a.m. in Eastpointe, 4 p.m. in Dearborn Heights and Clinton Township April 2, 1 p.m. in Royal Oak and 3 p.m. in West Bloomfield April 3.

An attractive, well-designed and maintained landscape can increase your home's value by 10 to 15 percent. Learn how to create an outdoor environment that's beautiful and extends your home's living space.

■ **Growing Beautiful Orchids**, by Larry Ohlman of Ohlman's Orchids - 1 p.m. in Eastpointe and 3 p.m. in Royal Oak April 3.

Learn the secrets to growing these popular and long-lasting flowering plants. Ohlman will present information on popular orchid varieties, including care and reblooming tips.

■ **Arranging Fresh Flowers**, by an English Gardens floral designer - 1 p.m. April 2 in West Bloomfield, 3 p.m. April 3 in Dearborn Heights and Eastpointe.

See a step-by-step demonstration of arranging fresh flowers, with design basics and lots of inspiration and ideas.

Representatives from the Detroit Rose Society will be available to offer advice on selecting and growing roses 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days at all five stores.

Volunteers from SOCWA will be at the West Bloomfield and Royal Oak stores 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. April 2 to provide information on Don't Guess - Soil Test, MSU's soil nutrient testing program.

Soil test kits will be available from English Gardens for \$13 from April 2 through Sunday, April 24.

Learn about gardening on April 9

Have you been looking at seed catalogues and daydreaming about the sun on your back and the sweet aroma of damp spring earth?

Learn more about gardening at A Day in the Gardens from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 9, at the Belle Isle Conservatory and Gardens.

The event will offer frustrated gardeners a chance to network, shop and lunch. The program is presented by the Association of Professional Gardeners and the Belle Isle Botanical Society in cooperation with the Detroit Recreation Department.

Featured speakers will be newspaper garden columnist Janet Macunovich and Nancy Szerlag. Macunovich is also co-founder of the Michigan School of Gardening and the APG.

Other APG members presenting include Mil Anthony of A Southern Gardener, Inc. in Grosse Pointe Park, Gail

Morrell, a professional gardener from Troy, Sue Grubba of Creative Scapes in Rochester Hills, and Heidi Cook of Liberty Street Gardens in Farmington.

Topics will include Pruning Back that Rambunctious Yard, Spring Cleaning Garden Maintenance, Stars in Your Garden, Night lighting, Sexy Soil, Wildflowers Can Add Fascination and Whimsy, and You Don't Have to Wait: Cool Season Gardening.

For those who are inspired to hurry home and plant a container garden, BIBS will have hardy, cool season plants like pansies and bright lights chard available. Other vendors are Antique Enterprises Inc. of Detroit, Anelli's Enchanted Garden of Eastpointe, Association of Professional Gardeners, Cranbrook House and Gardens Auxiliary, Detroit Garden Center, Hirts at Eastern Market, Michigan School of Gardening,

Schmidt's Antiques of Ypsilanti, Starbucks Coffee, Victorian Antique Emporium of Lexington, and the Master Gardener programs in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne Counties.

Lunch will be available to purchase in the greenhouses.

Details of the schedule and registration forms are available on line at www.associationofprofessionalgardeners.org. Phone registrations can be charged by calling the BIBS office at (313) 822-2548.

Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$40 at the door. Members of BIBS, APG and the Friends of Belle Isle can pre-register for \$25. Preregistration deadline is April 5. The full ticket price is tax deductible. All proceeds from the event will support educational programming at the conservatory. Seating is limited, so pre-registration is strongly recommended.

Attendance can be used for Master Gardener credits.

Prepare to store your snowblower

When it comes time to put your snowthrower away for the season, here are a few tips to prepare it for storage, according to yardcare.com.

Add a fuel stabilizer to what you think may be the last tank of fuel. After adding the stabilizer, run engine for at least five minutes to circulate the conditioned fuel.

If you're done with your snowthrowing season, start engine and run until the machine is out of fuel.

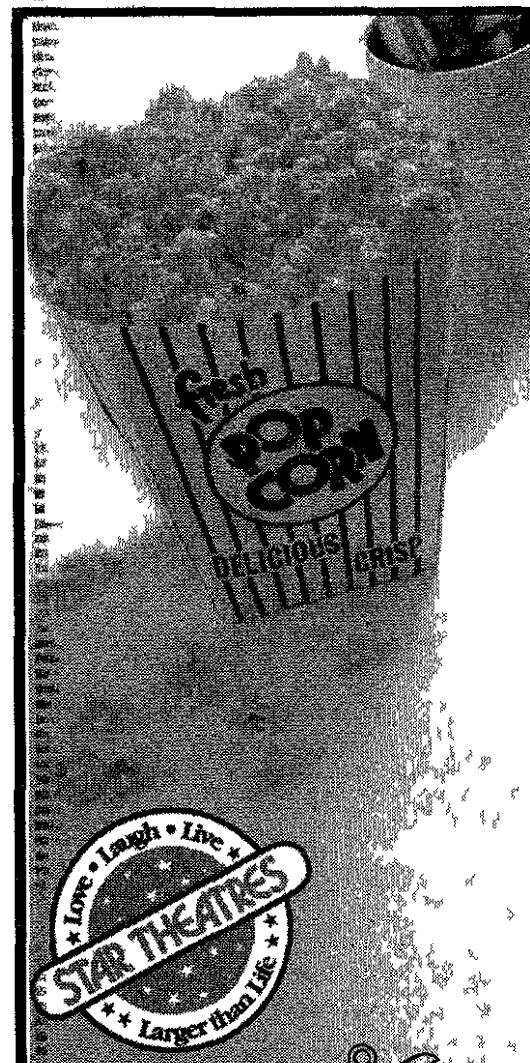
Prime/choke and attempt to re-start, repeating until all fuel is used.

Be sure that your machine is clean and dry.

If your snowthrower needs oil changes, now is the time to

do it. Putting fresh oil in your snowthrower now will help it to start easy and run well when you need it next winter.

Check your owner's manual to determine if other routine maintenance needs to be performed. Never store your snowthrower in the house or basement, instead choose a dry area outside.



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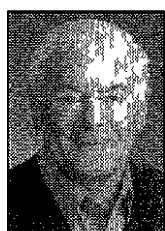
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Brush lint filter if you use fabric softener sheets

Diane Armstrong wrote me the other day to relay the following story about fabric softener sheets



Appliance Doctor

Joe Gagnon

"The heating unit went out in my dryer. The repair man pulled out the lint filter. It looked clean. I always clean the lint from the filter after every load of clothes.

"He took the filter over to the sink and ran hot water over it.

Now, this thing is like mesh and the hot water just laid on top of the mesh and didn't go through it.

"He told me dryer sheets create a film over the mesh and that's what burns out the heating unit. You can't see the film, but it's there. He said the best way to keep your dryer working for a very long time (and to keep your electric bill lower) is

to take that filter out and wash it with hot soapy water and an old toothbrush (or other brush) at least every six months.

He said it makes the life of the dryer last at least twice as long! I certainly didn't know dryer sheets would do that, so I thought I'd share this information.

What the service technician above explained to her and visually showed her is true. He cared about educating the customer, knowing full well that if he said nothing, he might be getting another service call to this home a few years down the road.

These sheets can also cause other problems such as blocking air-movement holes within the dryer tumbler and sliding down into the blower itself. Any imperfections in the felt seals could allow the sheet to land in the heat chambers and cause a fire. These sheets are not recommended by this writer.

Keep the dryer going. Not so many years ago, I owned an appliance repair

shop where homeowners would purchase their parts and repair their appliances themselves. Today, they call these people do-it-yourselfers, I call them my friends and if they didn't have the ability to repair it on their own, I felt proud in showing them. A customer would walk in with an electric heating element for a dryer and I would ask, you have plastic vent line on the back of your dryer, don't you?"

The reason is air must move through the dryer to the outside at a specific rate of speed. If that rate is slowed down by improper vent line, or too long a vent line, you are reducing that rate of air movement. The heating element will overheat and break on you. It is that simple.

For the past 20 years I have travelled across the country, appeared on major television networks, and spoken in person to thousands of homeowners, and always about the most dangerous appliance in the American home, the clothes dryer. I carry a bag of props filled with parts such as bearings, belts, drum rollers and other parts which fail prematurely (most of time, due to improper vent line installation).

And yes, I always have a dryer lint filter with me to show what Diane highlighted in her e-mail.

If placing water on a lint filter shows that the screen is plugged with the by-products of a wash load and won't allow the water to fall through it, how can you expect the air to move through it while the dryer is operating?

Whether you use fabric softener sheets or not, give the lint screen on your dryer a test. Gently pour a handful of water onto the screen and see what happens. When cleaning it, brush carefully.

One more thing: your dryer will do a load of clothes 15 minutes quicker with a cleaner filter.

Joe Gagnon can now be heard on WWJ 950 and WXYT 1270. He is a member and past president of the Society of Consumer Affairs Professionals. His phone number is (248) 455 7281.

HOME CALENDAR

Hand quilting

Schoolcraft College Continuing Education Services offers a six week class Sew Be It! Hand Quilting! beginning Tuesday March 29. Fee is \$75 (\$60 for seniors). Bring a large dose of enthusiasm and a small pair of scissors to the first session. For more information visit www.schoolcraft.edu or call Continuing Education Services at (734) 462 4448.

In the class, enjoy the history of quilting, learn about fabric care and selection and discover different patterns and designs all while you complete a small wall hanging or crib quilt.

Home decor

Haberman Fabrics 905 S Main in Royal Oak offers home decor classes for different sewing skill levels. Call (248) 541 0010 or email 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

bedroom kitchen or bathroom windows. Fee is \$60. Make a simple rod pocket window treatment lined or unlined to use alone or over blinds or shades. You'll leave class with a custom curtain that fits your decor in Beginner Pillow (three Tuesdays beginning April 5) beginning sewers will learn the basics while making two beautiful decorative square or rectangular pillows using bias cut fabric covered cording and inserted trims. Fee is \$60. The class will include learning how to use a rotary cutter, cutting bias and using a zipper foot to cover cording. Many of the techniques will apply to future home decorating classes.

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Bad connections can cause power failure

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Dan asks, My dining room light suddenly stopped working. I checked the bulbs, and they were OK. I went to the electrical panel to check for a popped breaker. None were. I even turned them all off and then on again to make sure.

"Finally, I removed the chandelier and the wall switch to expose the wires for a voltage test. It turns out no power is getting to my light. What can I do? This kind of thing shouldn't happen in a 15-year-old house."

Before we attempt to locate the cause of your problem, we must offer a warning: Live electrical circuits can kill.

So, prior to working on wiring in your home, learn how to test for voltage, and don't take it for granted that testing one pair of wires in a box means that all the wires are safe. It isn't uncommon to have power from more than one source in the same box.

The major cause of electrical failure (except for bad bulbs, switches, plugs and fuses) is a bad wire connection.

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If such a connection is made in an area where accessing it later necessitates tearing up walls or ceilings, the most common and simple of electrical repairs would prove to be very expensive.

The real problem here is the danger of arcing. A special, heavily insulated wire connection device known as a wire nut should be used to permanently attach groups of wires and to prevent damage from hazardous arcing, something that electrical tape alone has proved unsatisfactory in suppressing.

When the spark does occur, it makes exceptionally good sense for the leads in question to be enclosed in a government-approved, fireproof junction box.

The National Electric Code requires proper connectors, with all connections to be made inside an approved and properly sized, readily accessible junction box.

Taped connections made in wall cavities are unsafe and against the law. They're a fire hazard.

Since your home is relatively new, the chance is extremely remote that an improper connection exists in a wall cavity.

We have addressed the issue of bad connections, because that's what we suspect your problem stems from.

Wire nuts can be installed too tightly by an overzealous electrician and this can actually start a break in a wire that vibrates loose over time.

The broken connection may not be in the box where the light switch is located. It may be in another box between that box and the panel.

To check (after power is off), start at the light box in question, remove the wire nut, and look for broken wire ends. Repeat the procedure from box to box, removing and replacing wire nuts until the bad connection is found.

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MARKET PLACE

KITCHEN

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The project had a few glitches. The couple considered a stainless steel exhaust hood, but that project was switched due to cost. The exhaust line for the fan had to be installed through the family room and not on the west side of the home as originally planned. They had to install two more boards in the family room ceiling to run the line to the back of the house.

Kitchens by Designs finished the work by November 2003, and the Rockwells wrapped up the kitchen by March 2004.

FAMILY FUNCTION

"We wanted something different, and we were tired of the dark and wanted more light in the kitchen," Elizabeth said. Recessed lights were added so all the cooks - even the littlest - could see in the kitchen. Decorative lights also were added for style.

The overall concern I had was I needed a kitchen that would function," Elizabeth said.

The family went from one to two dishwashers and one to two ovens, and four to six burners. Electrical outlets at each end of the island help when someone wants to use a mixer on one end, and some one else a blender on another.

There's also room to study. That evening, Philip is doing his homework at the island while his siblings have guests in the family room. The kitchen's west wall displays drawings by the younger children.

The Rockwells added a convenient detail onto the kitchen after son Mark pitched his idea, asking his parents a simple question: "What does everybody's kitchen not have but need?" The children would get a glass every time they get a drink of water and drop a glass in the sink for washing when



Philip helps Alice with some cookies

they finished.

Marks idea - a drinking fountain, installed in the island's sink. Today the children don't use nearly as many glasses and cups.

To create more counter space, the coffeemaker was moved onto a wine rack from Bombay in an adjacent room.

The Rockwells enter the Farmington pie contest every summer at the Founders Festival. Last year Kristen won the junior division for her coconut caramel pecan pie, and five of her eight siblings (Sara, Mark, Philip, Alice and Mary) entered pies in the contest. (The family was featured in an article in the Observer & Eccentric's Taste section in July 2004.)

Last year was the first contest in the new kitchen. While there was more space, it was still difficult for the children to use the kitchen simultaneously, so they took turns.

"The thing we lacked was utensils, but they worked together. It was great," Elizabeth said.

The couple likes the openness and accessibility between the kitchen and the family room. With the wall removed, the light is brought in. "This window was hidden and it really opened it up," Tom said.

The expanded kitchen and open feel of the home helps when the couple has parties, like cast parties for the chil-

dren active in plays at Brother Rice or Marian high schools in Birmingham.

"It's pretty relaxing and aesthetically pleasing," Tom said. "But you can see it here, you can have a cup of coffee and just relax. It's like the old days where houses were just one room. The kids like it and it's relaxing. I really enjoy it."

Have you completed a remodeling project that you really love? We'd like to know about it and perhaps write a story to be featured in the At Home section. Please forward details about the project to Ken Abramczyk, At Home editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft Livonia 48150 or email kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net



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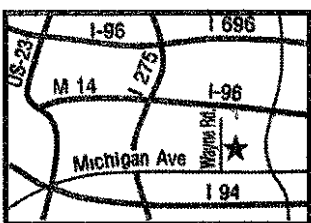
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Keep window screens clean, repaired

BY JAMES AND MORRIS CAREY FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Newer, more energy-efficient homes don't allow for the passive exchange of air through cracks, gaps and penetrations as older homes did.

Thick insulation caulking at windows and doors and gaskets at lights and plugs are a few of the improvements that make today's homes more energy-efficient. Unfortunately, this condition often creates stale, trapped air within the home. In addition, some of the components used in the fabrication of construction materials emit gases that cause health problems, which can range from a minor case of the sniffles to a full-blown allergic reaction.

Air in the home must be continually exchanged with a fresh supply from the outside.

Think window screens aren't important? Think again. A dirty screen doesn't breathe as well as a clean one. And a dirty screen is an eyesore, too.

There are many advantages to keeping screens clean. First, you'll be able to see out of your windows a whole lot easier.

And remember: Grit and grime can hasten deterioration, thereby diminishing the life of a

window screen.

Dirty screens also prevent light from making its way into your home.

Moreover, a gust of wind can blow dust from a screen straight into your home, aggravating allergies and increasing house-keeping chores.

Each spring, we remove our screens and scrub them down. One of the best means of cleaning window screens is to lay them flat on a smooth, cloth-covered surface, such as an old sheet on a picnic table. Scrub them gently with a soft nylon brush, rinse with a hose, and shake off excess water.

REPAIRING

Like anything, screens eventually fail. When this happens they can often be patched.

Screen patch kits are available at hardware stores and home centers everywhere. They are inexpensive and easy to install (the process takes less than a minute).

A small repair will work best until such time as you see fit to replace the screen.

There are several good methods that can be used to repair window screens, depending upon the type of screen material being repaired.

■ Apply a small amount of

clear nail polish to a small hole or tear in a vinyl or fiberglass screen. The polish will act as an adhesive, sealing the damaged area.

■ Small tears in metal or fiberglass screens can be mended with a dab of clear silicone adhesive. If necessary, dab it on in successive layers until the tear is completely filled.

■ You can 'darn' small holes in metal screening. Simply unravel a strand or two from a piece of scrap screening and sew the hole shut, weaving the strands through the sound fabric with a needle.

■ Large holes in metal screen material are repaired with a bit more effort.

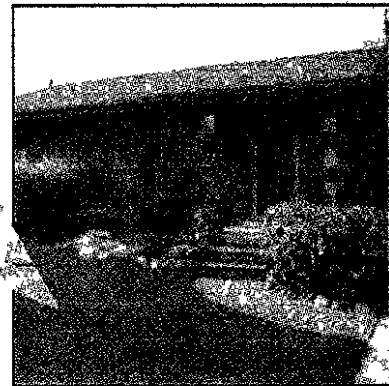
Start by neatly trimming the damaged area to a ravel-free square or rectangle using tin snips. Next, cut a piece of patch screen material that measures about an inch larger (in both directions) than the damaged area.

Unravel a couple of strands of material around the entire perimeter of the patch. Bend the unraveled ends at each side of the patch 90 degrees.

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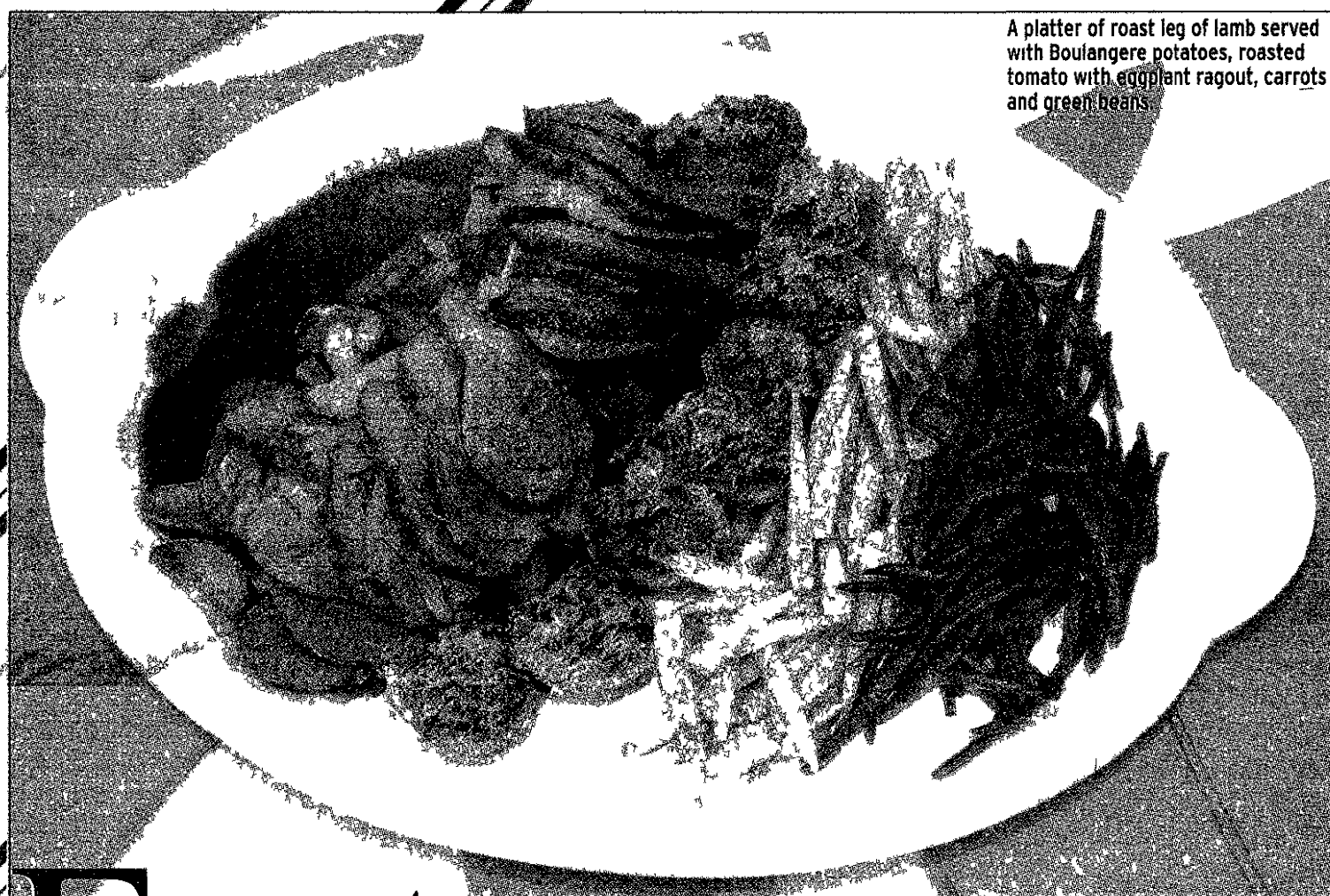
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Focus on Wine

Ray and Eleanor Heald

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Easter celebration

OCC instructor highlights favorites

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

Kevin Enright grew up on the east side as one of eight kids celebrating Easter like thousands of other Christians eating ham. "We'd have ham on Easter and turkey at Thanksgiving," he said. "The hams usually had a traditional raisin sauce. The mustard glaze is good, too,

said Enright, certified executive chef and instructor at Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute.

"They're cured a lot with cloves or cooked with pineapple, cloves and allspice. It's almost like an apple pie. You can use a spicy mustard horseradish to balance it out. Sweet and sour is a better balance for the dish."

These days, Enright believes lamb is a great change

from the traditional Easter ham. With lamb Enright says he likes to balance out the menu with boulangere potatoes. In fact, two of his in-laws ask "Don't you like us?" when he doesn't make that dish. "It's one of the first dishes I ever made, and I just kept making it," Enright said. Enright's interpretation is different from what you might find in a traditional boulangere, which calls for chicken stock. "It's pretty rustic. It has good flavors and it isn't contrived," Enright said.

Enright also teams the lamb with roasted tomato with

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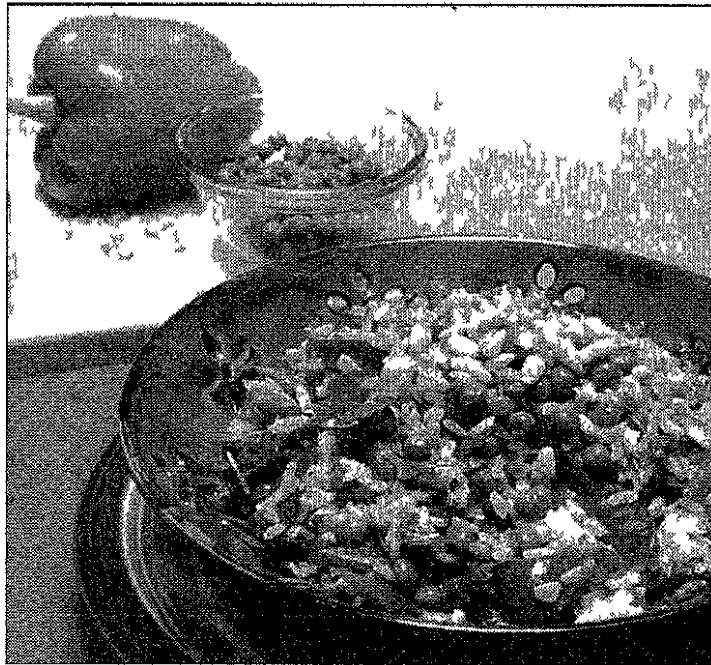
Whole grains are even better than we thought.

New research reported by the American Institute for Cancer Research shows that whole grains like corn, whole wheat, oats and brown rice have powerful antioxidants - cancer-fighting agents - that have gone undocumented for years. Whole grains, the study found, exhibit a level of anti-cancer activity that is equal to, and sometimes greater than, the level known to occur in vegetables and fruits.

The finding may begin to clear up one of the most controversial and confusing questions in contemporary diet-cancer science: the role of high-fiber diets in lowering colon cancer risk. For years, scientists have wondered why people whose diets are high in fiber rich whole grains consistently have lower risk for colon cancer. Yet short-term clinical trials involving small groups of subjects yield inconsistent results.

The answer may lie in the fact that clinical trials tended to overlook a role for whole grains and focused instead on the role of fiber alone in lowering colon cancer risk. The new research suggests that future clinical studies would benefit from a broader perspective - one that accounts for the collective interactive effects of whole grains themselves, the fiber they contain, and the various protective substances now revealed.

The finding underscores the need for Americans to choose whole grains whenever they can. Some simple adjustments



AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Fill your salad bowl with brown rice, red peppers and peas

in shopping and cooking can help. Use whole-wheat pasta, ask for brown rice at an Asian restaurant, make sure any bread you eat is 100 percent whole grain.

Of the whole grains tested, corn had the highest total antioxidant activity, followed by whole wheat, oats and brown rice.

The scientists involved in the new study say that the key to whole grain's enormous cancer-fighting potential lies in its very wholeness. A grain of whole wheat is composed of three parts: endosperm, bran and germ. When wheat - or any grain - is refined, the bran and germ - where most of the protective phytochemicals and fiber are stored - are removed.

These new findings may partially explain why diets high in whole grains can help reduce the incidence of colon cancer, breast cancer, prostate cancer, heart disease and diabetes.

This study reinforces AICR's commitment to meals with variety. Different plant foods have different phytochemicals. To ward off disease, the body needs synergy - or teamwork - among the various foods on

your plate, including whole grains.

BROWN RICE SALAD WITH PEAS AND RED PEPPER

- 1 cup frozen peas thawed
- 2 cups long grain brown rice cooked

- 1 small red pepper diced
- 1 small bunch watercress chopped

- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon rice vinegar

- 1 small clove garlic finely minced
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

- 2 tablespoons pine nuts

Microwave peas on high for 1 minute. In a medium salad bowl, combine peas, brown rice, red pepper and watercress. In a small bowl, whisk together olive oil, rice vinegar and garlic. Add to rice mixture, tossing well to combine. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Garnish with pine nuts.

Makes 8 servings.
Per serving: 118 calories, 5 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 15 g carbohydrate, 3 g protein, 2 g dietary fiber, 19 mg sodium.

Recipe courtesy of the American Institute for Cancer Research.

WINE

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eties that include chardonnay, cabernet sauvignon, merlot, pinot gris and sauvignon blanc.

British Columbia now boasts 95 wineries sourcing grapes from 235 vineyards of which the Okanagan Valley accounts for 95 percent of the production. All told, there are about 38 red varieties and 38 white varieties planted on a total of about 3,300 acres in British Columbia's Okanagan Valley.

The Okanagan Valley may be one of the last wine producing frontiers in the world, but the promise of premium wines is high. The area has attracted vintners from France, Australia, California, New Zealand and South Africa. Okanagan climate is governed by its situation east of the Coast Mountain Range. With peaks of over 8,000 feet, they act as an effective bad weather block.

Although Vancouver, west of the coast range, has a wet climate, the region east of the range has low annual rainfall. The area has a warm, but short growing season during which low humidity reduces the risk of vineyard disease and pests.

Intense sunlight and low precipitation during the growing season allows full fruit maturity,

while wide diurnal temperature variation help retain good acidity. Low annual rainfall also allows the vineyard manager to dial in optimal irrigation and overhead sprinkling systems provide frost protection in fall and spring.

Like many European countries, Canada has established a strict set of standards governing wine production and quality known as the Vintners Quality Alliance (VQA). Wines bearing the British Columbia VQA seal must be produced from 100 percent British Columbia grapes from Designated Viticultural Areas (DVA). Each wine must also pass review by a trained tasting panel.

The Canadian-owned Jackson-Triggs Winery operates vineyards and winemaking facilities in both Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario, and the Okanagan Valley, B.C. Founded by Donald L. Triggs, president and CEO of Vincer International, and Dr. Allan Jackson, vice president, research and development, Jackson-Triggs produces a wide range of red, white and rare icewines.

The Healds are contributing editors for the internationally respected *Quarterly Review of Wines* and Troy residents who write about wine spirits and restaurants for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Contact them by e-mail at focusonwine@aol.com.

WINE PICKS

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We grabbed our horn because we've just received the results of the 2004 Suburban Newspapers of America's (SNA) annual competition. Our staff received nine awards for excellence in journalism in 2004. What makes this even more exciting is that of the 2,246 entries, we brought home more awards than any other non-daily newspaper in the state. And here they are:

Best Editorial Writing Second Place - Troy Eccentric "Stop Recall, Insure Freedom, Don't Mess With Charter"

Best Column Writing Third Place - Sandy Armbruster, Troy Eccentric

Best Editorial Page Cartoon Second Place, Geof Brooks "Budget Cartoon"

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Best Sports Writing First Place, Jim Toth, Troy/Rochester Special Editor Sports "Court Ruling"

Best Sports Writing Second Place - Ed Wright, Plymouth/Canton Special Editor/Sports "Aluminum Bat Usage Spurs Debate"

Journalist of the Year Third Place - Kurt Kuban, Canton Community Editor

Best Lifestyle Section Susan Steinnmueller - Second Place, Birmingham Eccentric

Best Entertainment Section Third Place - Filter, Keely Schramm, Nicole Stafford, Lana Mini, Stephanie Tardy, Megan Pennefather, Randy Masters Dan Dean

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OCC hosts dinner theatre, wine event

The Culinary Studies Institute at Oakland Community College have added a new dinner theatre event for the spring at OCC's Orchard Ridge campus on Orchard Lake Road just south of I-696.

The institute will team up with the campus's theatre to bring an evening of food and entertainment at 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 7 in the third floor of the J Building.

Guests will enjoy food stations featuring a hearty array of international cuisines, beer and wine, then they will be escorted to enjoy the spring play *The Nerd*, which centers on a young architect and the man who saved his life, a hopeless nerd, who over-stays his welcome.

Tickets are \$50 for dinner with theatre or \$45 for dinner only.

The Great Lakes Great Wine Walk Around Tasting returns to OCC 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 11 in the Orchard Ridge campus J Building. This event, now in its 10th year, offers samples from 500 wines judged and awarded medals by judges.

Area restaurants will be serving some signature dishes at the event to accompany the wines. A jazz band also will perform. Guests can purchase raffle tickets for everything from Great Lakes shirts to picnic wine packages. Tickets are \$45 per person.

For more information, call (248) 522-3700.

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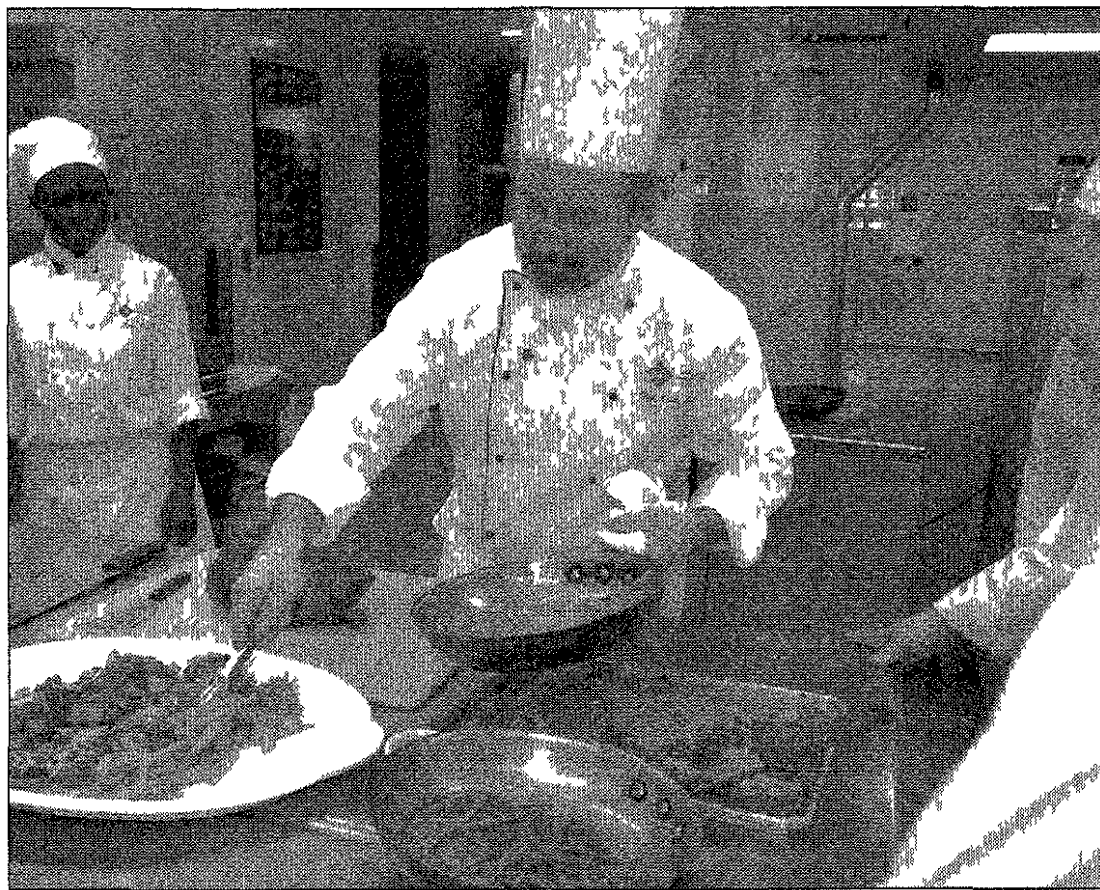
eggplant ragout (Ragout is a thick, rich and seasoned stew) "There are a lot of different ways to cook the eggplant and achieve it. You can dice it, season it and roast it, or grill it and it gets nice and brown," Enright said. "You cook it until it gets soft. Eggplant goes well with lamb."

On Easter desserts "You should go with chocolate," Enright said. "Flourless chocolate cake, chocolate mousse, cream brulee. You should come up with something simple - a fruit tart would be good or grilled pineapple with ice cream."

Spinach salads with sweet and sour dressing would be another great Easter idea. Enright likes Italian lettuce (Treviso) and mint leaves and basil in with greens.

"You have to know what people who are coming like," Enright said. "Plan ahead. Do prep work, have good breads and good salads with it."

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Kevin Enright, certified executive chef and instructor at Oakland Community College's Culinary Studies Institute, places carrots on a platter of roast leg of lamb, roasted tomato with eggplant ragout and Boulangère potatoes.

ROAST LEG OF LAMB

- (With Red Wine Jus Lie)
- 6 8 pound leg of lamb bone in (hip bone removed shank removed tied or boned and tied)
 - 1 ounce garlic slivered
 - 1 large onion thinly sliced
 - 1 carrot diced
 - 2 stalks celery diced
 - 3 cups beef or lamb stock
 - 2 teaspoons cornstarch
 - 2 teaspoons water
 - salt as needed
 - black pepper as needed
 - 1 teaspoon oregano dried
 - 1 teaspoon rosemary leaves
 - 1 tablespoon tomato paste
 - 1/2 cup red wine

Season the lamb with salt, pepper, oregano and rosemary. Stud it with the slivered garlic.

Place the lamb on a rack in a roasting pan. Roast at 400° F for one hour, basting from time to time. Remove the lamb from the roasting pan and pour off half of the grease.

Add the onion, celery, and carrot to the roasting pan. Place the lamb on top of the vegetables.

Continue to roast to the desired doneness, another 30 to 45 minutes or until a thermometer inserted in the center of the meat registers 135° F for rare, 145° F for medium rare, 160° F for medium, or 170° F for well done.

Remove leg from pan. Rest 10 minutes before carving.

For Jus-Lie, add tomato paste to the roasting pan and cook on top of stove for two to three minutes until slightly brown.

Add the red wine and deglaze the pan. Pour all the liquid into a sauce pan. Add the stock.

Mix the cornstarch with the water.

Simmer for 10-15 minutes. Thicken with cornstarch and water mix. Cook for four-five minutes, then strain.

Carve the lamb and serve with on platter with green beans and baby carrots, and side dishes of potatoes, Boulangère and eggplant stuffed tomatoes. Serves 10.

ROASTED TOMATO WITH EGGPLANT RAGOUT

- 5 roma tomatoes
- salt to taste

pepper to taste

- 1 large eggplant peeled medium dice
- 1 medium onion finely diced
- 1 tablespoon garlic minced
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon parsley chopped
- 8 ounces crimini mushrooms sliced
- 1/2 cup Pecorino romano cheese

Cut tomatoes in half and season cut side with salt, pepper, and granulated garlic.

Roast in 350° F oven for approximately five minutes. Cut side until skin can be removed. Drain juice and save. Reserve seeds from tomatoes. Line up cut side up in a pan. Reserve.

Toss eggplant with seasoned oil. Roast at 450° F on a cookie sheet until brown. Cool slightly, chop on board.

Sauté together onion, garlic, and mushrooms. Cook until dry. Add tomato paste and saved tomato juice.

Add eggplant and sauté until dry. Add vinegar and reduce until almost dry.

Fill the roasted tomato halves with the eggplant ragout and sprinkle with cheese.

Bake in oven at 400° F until glazed. Serve two each with lamb. Serves 10.

BOULANGÈRE POTATOES

- 4 pounds Idaho potatoes
- 1 pound onions sliced thin
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon garlic
- 2 bay leaves
- black pepper to taste
- salt to taste

Peel potatoes. Cut in quarters, season with salt and pepper, and then cut into thick slices.

Heat iron skillet. Add oil and butter. Brown the potatoes on all sides. When three-fourths brown, add onions, garlic and bay leaves.

Brown onions slightly.

Bake uncovered in 400° F oven until tender. Remove bay leaves before serving. Serves 10.

Recipes courtesy of Kevin Enright, certified executive chef and instructor at Culinary Studies Institute at Oakland Community College in Farmington Hills.

CALENDAR

March classes include: Classic French Pastry Series (Pate a Choux for You Too and Mille feuille to Die For) taught by Decker 6-9 p.m. Thursday, March 24 and 31 (series classes can be taken separately for \$99 each or together for \$175) and Quick Easy Meals with Gabriel 5-9 p.m. Wednesday, March 30 (\$99).

For more information on class fees for these classes and other culinary arts continuing education classes visit www.schoolcraft.edu under Continuing Education Schedule or call (734) 462-4448.

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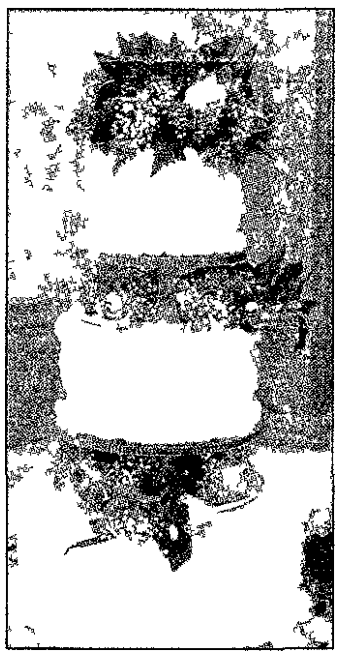
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Bakery celebrates

Party Cakes of Berkley is launching a new line of products to celebrate their fifth anniversary. The bakery, best known for their homemade custom-decorated cakes, are now offering a new line of cheesecakes, sculptured cakes and hand-drawn characters, along with ice cream cakes. The cheesecakes contain a homemade graham cracker crust and come in a variety of flavors - plain, fruit-topped,

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lemon curd chocolate ganache or cookies n creme. The bakery also offers a new line of four-layer tortes ranging in size from six to 10 inches with names of French Vanilla Fantasy Chocolate Kissed Dream, Lemon Clouds and Angels & Devils Beware.

Party Cakes creates cakes for every occasion, including birth days, anniversaries, weddings, retirements, showers or engagement parties. The store is located at 2670 Coolidge just north of Catalpa. Hours are 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday. Visit www.party-cakes.com or call (248) 541-CAKE.

Italian journey

Patrons visiting Maggiano's Little Italy, 2089 Big Beaver Road in Troy, can enjoy listening to the chef discuss how to prepare provincial dishes from four regions of Italy 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. every Thursday in March and taste specialty dishes from those regions.

Each week Executive Chef Peter Haubi will discuss how to prepare dishes from one of the following regions: the Tuscany, Elimia-Romagna, Lombardy

and Campania regions. Guests will then indulge in complimentary samplings of these dishes and receive recipe cards to prepare them at home. These menu items will be featured in the dining room for one week through April 6.

For more information on the Culinary Journey through Italy or to make reservations call Maggiano's Little Italy at (248) 205-1060.

Wanted: recipes

Can your recipe take the heat? The Horseradish Information Council is looking for one hot recipe. The council is sponsoring a recipe contest on its Web site, www.horseradish.org and is offering a \$200 cash prize to the best original horseradish recipe. The recipe can be an appetizer, side dish, cocktail or main dish/entree and must be submitted online. Two runners-up will receive \$25 each. The contest has two judging periods: the first is January to June and the second from June to December. One winner and two runners-up will be named in each judging period.

To make an entry simply access www.horseradish.org and submit your recipe.

Try pork tenderloin this Easter

CITRUS PORK TENDERLOIN AND SPINACH SALAD

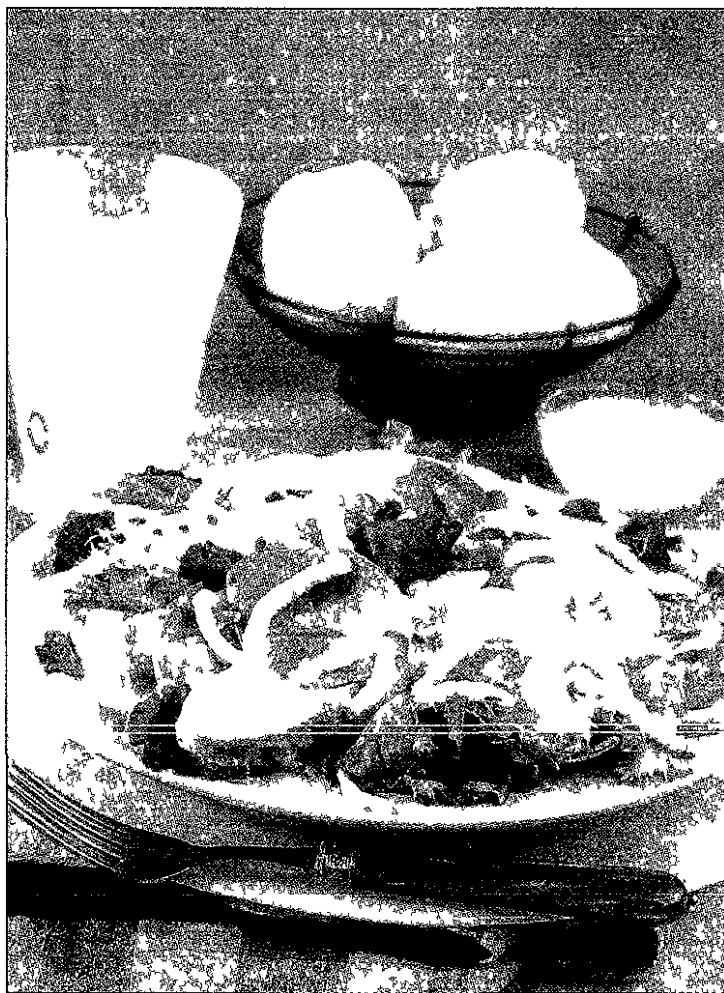
- 1 pound pork tenderloin
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup honey Dijon mustard or French's sweet and tangy honey mustard
- 12 cups baby spinach leaves and/or mixed field greens
- 1 1/2 cups orange segments (about 3 medium oranges)
- 1 1/2 cups French's French fried onions
- 1/2 red bell pepper cut into strips

Season pork with salt and pepper. Grill pork over medium heat for 30 minutes or until internal temperature of 160° F turning often. Cool slightly. Cut into 1/2 inch-thick slices.

Combine orange juice and mustard in small bowl. Set aside. Arrange salad greens evenly on serving plates. Top with pork oranges and French fried onions dividing evenly. Garnish salad with red pepper and serve with dressing. Serve immediately.

Tip: For extra crispness, heat French fried onions in microwave for one minute. Makes six servings.

For more great recipes and cooking tips from the kitchens at French's please visit www.frenchsfoods.com



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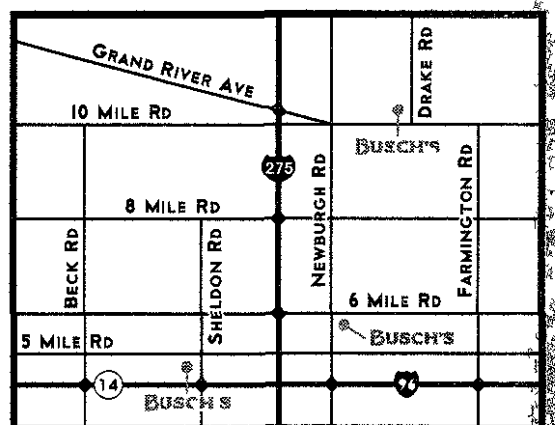
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Plymouth-Canton adaptive physical education teacher Dave Gerlach works with student Thomas Garland during a Monday morning class at Salem High School. Along with two early-morning classes at Salem, Gerlach also travels to the district's five middle schools for classes.

Challenging job, fulfilling results

Adaptive PE teacher impacts students' lives on daily basis

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

When one of Dave Gerlach's students displayed a knack for running fast a few years ago, the Plymouth-Canton adaptive physical education teacher didn't think twice about signing the young man up for the boys track team at Salem.

The autistic student was severely mentally impaired, but that didn't stop Gerlach from creating a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for an individual who had run into more than his share of daily barriers.

This particular student was a very good runner, but he struggled with his social skills," said Sharon Streat, an assistant principal in charge of special education and language arts at Salem. "David's goal is always to try to get his students into the mainstream as much as possible, and he saw this as an opportunity to do that."

It turned out to be a great experience for the young man. The kids on the team took to him immediately and really looked after him. It was a great example of how David has made a difference in his students' lives.

FULLFILLING JOB

Gerlach starts each work day at Salem, where he teaches two high school adaptive physical-education classes before heading out to the school district's five middle schools to instruct more classes.

The range of abilities for students in Gerlach's classes is as broad as the sky. Some of the kids have a hard time tying their own shoes, while others appear to function as well as the non-special-ed students in the district.

"It can be a very challenging job, but I love it," said Gerlach, who also coaches girls cross country at Salem. "When I started the job, my goal was to give the kids I work with a chance to do things they might not be able to do if they weren't in my class. Things a lot of people take for granted — like running up and down a basketball court or working out in the weight room — are activities these kids wouldn't otherwise have in their lives. Some of these things seem so simple to us, but for some of these kids, they're major accomplishments."

We take them ice skating, bowling, out to lunch, shopping. I also have a sports sampler in my class, where the kids participate in sports they see on TV.

BURNING CALORIES

Students who take Gerlach's classes are guaranteed to get plenty of exercise.

PLEASE SEE GERLACH, C6

Sidelines

Cezat commits

Canton basketball player Katie Cezat will take her record-setting skills to Hillsdale College next year. Cezat, the Chiefs all-time leading scorer, verbally committed to the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference school earlier this month.

Penguins honored

Olivia Pennebaker, a senior forward on the Plymouth-Canton-Salem girls hockey team, was named to the All-State first team by Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League coaches who voted on the award. Pennebaker helped lead the Penguins to a 15-6-1 record and a trip to the MMGSHL semifinals.

Also earning post-season accolades for PCS were senior defenseman Amanda Rowley and freshman goalie Kristie Kowalski, both of whom made the MMGSHL All-League squad.

Coaches wanted

Plymouth high school is looking for a head varsity cheerleading coach, a junior varsity pom-pom coach and a varsity assistant pom-pom coach for the 2005-06 season. For more information, contact Plymouth Athletic Director Terry Sawchuk at (734) 582-5700.

Trott hot

Salem graduate Chris Trott, a senior right fielder on the Albion College baseball team, is off to a sizzling start for the Britons. Trott went 9-for-11 Sunday during Albion's doubleheader split with Ohio Wesleyan University and John Carroll University. He ripped four doubles, drove in two runs and scored a pair of runs in the Britons' 14-2 win over Ohio Wesleyan. Against John Carroll, the former Rock hammered a run-scoring double and scored a run in his team's 9-7 setback.

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. Contact Kathy Powers (734) 416-0664.

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 p.m. to 4 p.m. 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.

Shoemaker, Olson share swim honor

Please see 2004-05 All Area Boys Swim Team on Page C5

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The script almost went according to plan this season for Lavonia Stevenson boys swim coach Jeff Shoemaker.

His Spartans opened the season by repeating as Western Lakes Activities Association relay champions followed by an unbeaten dual-meet season in the WLAA, their only loss coming outside the league to Division I state champion Ann Arbor Pioneer.

But after dunking Northville in a dual-meet, Stevenson was upset by the Mustangs in the Western Lakes meet by a mere 35 points. It was Northville's first WLAA title in school history.

Stevenson, ranked sixth in Division I, went on to earn a 10th-place finish at the state meet, one place higher than the previous season.

"We had a good season, but we were one guy short of winning the league and being in the top five in the state," said Shoemaker, who shares Observerland Coach of the Year honors this season with Salems Chuck Olson. "We need to train in the off-season and hopefully next year that one guy will step up."

Whalers nip OHL-leading London, 4-3

The Plymouth Whalers prepped for the upcoming Ontario Hockey League playoffs by thumping the top-seeded London Knights 4-3 Saturday night in the final regular-season game for both teams.

The victory, which was earned before a sellout crowd of 3,916 at the Compuware Sports Arena, left the Whalers with a 30-29-6-3 record as they head into the first-round series against Owen Sound. Plymouth finished in second place in the West Division and sixth overall in the Western Conference standings.

John Vigilante's 24th goal of the season at 14:32 of the second period turned out to be the game-winner as Plymouth erased a 2-1 London lead after one period with three unanswered goals in the second frame.

Tim Sestito (14th), Jonas Fiedler (19th) and Vaclav Meidl (12th) also scored for Plymouth. Dan Fritsche (17 and 18) scored twice for the Knights, while Jordan Foreman tallied his 11th goal of the season.

Plymouth rookie goaltender Justin Garay — who played in every game against London this season — stopped 25 of 28 shots to earn the game's second star. Sestito — the game's first star — brought the Whalers back from a 2-0 first-period deficit after Fritsche scored twice in the span of 17 seconds (6:47 and 7:04, respectively) with a power-play goal at 9:28 of the first period. Sestito's backhand shot from the right hash mark beat London goaltender Adam Dennis top shelf.

Chappo earns elite gymnastics award

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

If Megan Chappo's doctors had their way, the talented senior athlete would have been cheering on the Canton girls gymnastics team from the sidelines this past season instead of leading the Chiefs to a fourth-place finish in the state meet.

Chappo was advised to sharply curtail her gymnastics activities — if not give up the sport altogether — three years ago after she herniated two discs in her back while completing a vault dismount during a club gymnastics meet.

Following doctors' orders, Chappo traded in the more demanding world of club gymnastics for the high school version, but she wasn't about to totally separate herself from the sport.

Chappo's perseverance and ability were rewarded last week when she was presented with the Kim Rennolds Memorial Senior Gymnast of the Year award by the Michigan Gymnastics Coaches and Judges Association. The award, which comes with a \$500 college scholarship, is named after former Canton gymnast Kim Rennolds, who was killed in a plane crash in 1994 while returning from a Florida vacation with her mother.

The Kim Rennolds award isn't just based on ability," said Canton coach John Cunningham, the president of the statewide association.

It goes to the senior gymnast in Michigan who is the best ambassador for the sport. Megan is a perfect choice for the award. Her work ethic is amazing and she has played



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton gymnast Megan Chappo was the 2005 recipient of the Kim Rennolds Memorial Senior Gymnast of the Year award which is presented annually by the Michigan Gymnastics Coaches and Judges Association. A senior, Chappo received a \$500 college scholarship in addition to the award.

PLEASE SEE CHAPPO, C2

Oakland Hills needs hard-working caddies

BY MARTY BUDNER
STAFF WRITER

Spring officially arrived earlier this week, so it's time to think golf.

Whether at indoor driving ranges or outdoor mats, it's definitely time for golfers to start tweaking their games. But golfers aren't the only ones who must start honing their skills. So do caddies.

And there is no better place to become a caddie than at Oakland Hills Country Club.

The prestigious Bloomfield Hills Country Club that hosted the 2004 Ryder Cup and will host the 2008 PGA Championship is looking for a few good bag carriers.

Caddie registration is set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 2 at the Caddie House located on the south side of Maple Road. Space is limited to the first 150 new applicants (try-outs are required).

The \$20 caddie registration fee includes a badge, hat, ball-marker repair tool, traming video, caddie towel and five days of caddie instruction.

"It's a great first job for boys and girls," said Robert D. Byerlein, Golf Services Manager at Oakland Hills.

"When they're 14 years old it allows them to earn some income, and not just rely on their parents. It's a nice way for these kids to begin to save

money, learn to become good citizens in the community, meet people and begin to learn the life skills that they may need later for future job interviews and things like that in their careers.

Being a caddie also teaches them hard work and discipline and it just gives them something to strive for," he said. "Golf is a great game to be around."

Caddie candidates must be at least 14 years old at registration and must show proof of age. Caddies may be required to lift up to 30 pounds and carry a bag for more than four hours.

Oakland Hills caddies can earn up to \$5,000 - last year's top caddy earned more than \$15,000. Last year, the average caddie loop paid \$44 which, according to Oakland Hills officials, was more than any other area club.

Officials said 350 caddies worked at least one loop last year, 200 worked at least 10 rounds, 25 at least 100 and three more than 300 rounds.

Other Oakland Hills caddie benefits include scholarship opportunities, incentive awards, flexible hours, special tournaments and banquets and show-up pay for extended waiting during special events.

For more information, call (248) 433-0674.



Pride honors

A record six members of the Plymouth Canton Pride fastpitch softball organization were named to the 2004 USSSA All-State team March 19 at the USSSA Hall of Fame banquet in Sterling Heights. Pictured (l-r) are Melissa Butzow, Claire Ostrowski, Kate Staley, Mary Kate McWhirter, Kim Beaudoin and Kim Klonowski.

CHAPPO

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hurt for most of the past two seasons.

"Along with her back injury, she suffered a serious ankle injury before this season and she was on crutches for seven to eight weeks. Our intent was to give her an opportunity to participate, but because of the

injury, we didn't expect a lot of results. Well, she not only competed, but she did extremely well."

TODDLER TUMBLER

Chappo was introduced to gymnastics at the age of 3. By the time she was 10, she was one of the most-accomplished competitors in the state.

"The thing I like the best about gymnastics is that it always challenges me," Chappo said.

While competing in a club meet during her freshman year in high school, Chappo landed wrong on a dismount and herniated two discs in her back.

As a result of the injury there is no fluid now between the discs, so it's nerves on nerves," said Chappo, who receives pain-killing injections

once every three months to help alleviate the discomfort. "It's especially painful the mornings after I compete. It's tough to get out of bed sometimes."

Right after I was hurt, the doctors told me that if I wanted to continue in gymnastics, it would have to be in high school, because there was less practicing and it wouldn't be as hard on my back. That was hard to accept for me because I had been competing at the club level my entire life and I wanted to earn a college scholarship."

STELLAR STUDENT

Chappo, who will attend Michigan State University in the fall, is an outstanding student and leader, according to Cunningham, who noted her 3.83 grade-point average and the fact that she was

voted by her teammates to serve as one of the team's two captains prior to the season.

"She was nominated to be our team's MHSAA scholar athlete," Cunningham said. "The fact that she was voted captain was a great honor too because it shows that her teammates respect her and look to her for leadership."

There is at least one chapter left in Chappo's competitive gymnastics career.

On May 19 and 20, she, along with seven other elite senior gymnasts from across the state, will represent Michigan at the Senior Nationals in Orlando, Fla. Cunningham is serving as a co-coach of the team.

"I won't be on MSU's team, but I'd like to try and start a club team in college," she said.

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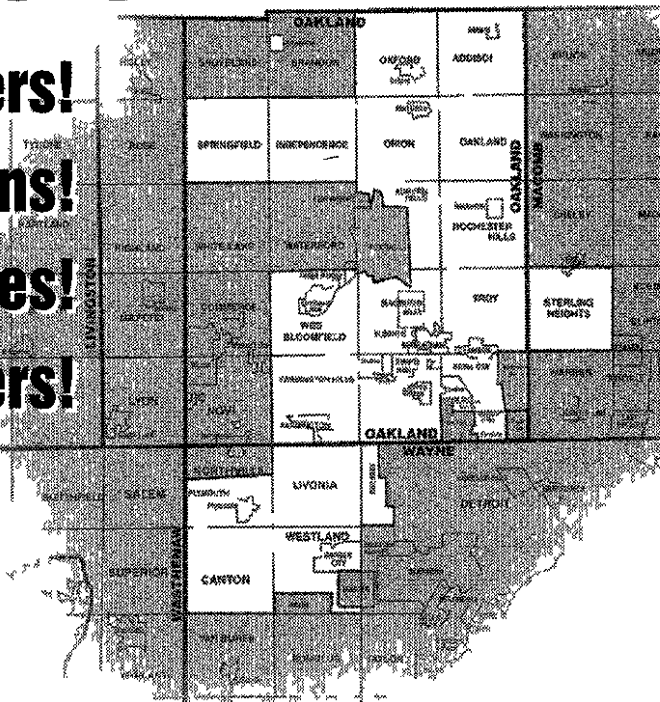
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Salem softball team: young, but talented

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Underestimating Salem's youthful softball team this season could be a costly mistake for the Rocks' opponents.

Salem lost seven starters to graduation from last year's 24-10 team that won the Western Lakes Activities Association's Lakes Division for the second consecutive season. But coach Bonnie Southerland is by no means ready to wave a white flag.

"We're young, but very talented," said Southerland, who has been calling the shots for the Rocks' varsity unit for the past 11 years. "We have great depth with our pitching staff and they are all good. I have players who can play just about any position and play them all well."

"There is a lot of talent out there and I see each one of these players making things happen and contributing to the continued success of our program."

The seven graduated seniors — Kelli Szczepanski, Alycia Murawski, Courtney Edwards, Brook Edwards, Natalie Szawara, Sarah Amann and Emily Maletic — all played pivotal roles in Salem's 73 victories over the past three years. All seven earned post-season recognition of some sort. Szczepanski, who is currently a starting pitcher at Adrian, represented the Rocks in the

MHSAA All Star game in Lansing.

On the bright side, Southerland has six returning players, all of whom contributed in some way or another in 2004. The most talented of the bunch may be senior third baseman Ali Proodian, who earned a spot on the All-WLAA squad last season.

Ali is an exceptional athlete who knows what it takes to be a leader. Southerland said, "We expect even bigger things from her this season."

The two other senior returners are second baseman Tina Sniegowski, who possesses a lot of speed, and Amy Caves, a dependable outfielder who is a productive hitter.

A pair of juniors will be instrumental in any success the Rocks may experience during the upcoming campaign. Maureen Bohr will move from left field to behind the plate while Courtney Davis will be counted on to provide Salem with pitching depth.

"Maureen is very versatile and is a great team leader with a great attitude," Southerland said. "Courtney has been working hard all winter and she will see a lot of time on the mound. She learned a lot from Kelli last year about what it takes to be a great pitcher."

Kait McKinley, the Rocks' lone returning sophomore, will handle the shortstop responsi-

bilities.

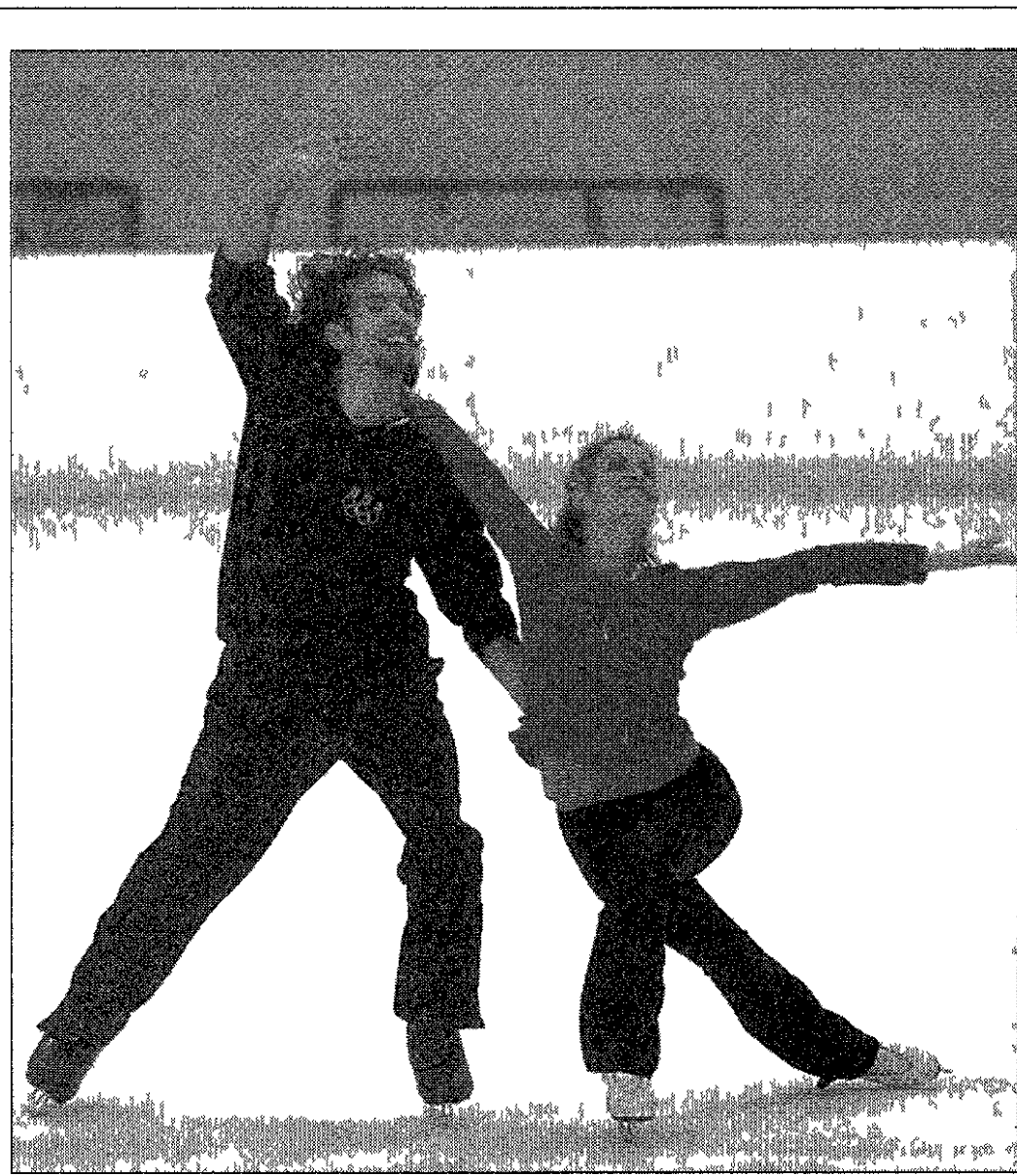
Kait was our only freshman on the team last year, but she saw a lot of time. Southerland said, "She can do just about anything you ask her to do — she has that much softball talent. Kait will bat near the top of our order."

Newcomers to the varsity squad include senior Chrystal Rohn, who will serve as the team's designated hitter and one of its pitchers, junior Danielle DiPietro, who can play infield and outfield, junior Deonna Szawara, who will battle for the starting first-base spot, junior Laura Kordick, a transfer from Plymouth Christian Academy, who is swinging a hot bat in early season workouts, and sophomores Kelly Behr, Katie Downey, Melissa Leach, Melissa Plante and Liz Thomas.

Our group of sophomores reminds me of the group of seven seniors that just graduated, Southerland said. "They have that kind of work ethic and game sense, plus there is a lot of talent, speed and versatility there. I'm very excited to see what will happen when we put it all together."

Salem opens the 2005 campaign April 7 when it travels to Birmingham Seaohm. The Rocks' first WLAA contest is set for April 18 at Walled Lake Central.

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Silver performance

Ice dancers Ben Agosto and Taneth Belbin, who train at the Arctic Edge in Canton, captured a silver medal in the 2005 World Championships last week in Moscow. They are the first United States couple to win an ice-dancing medal at the World Championships since 1986. Agosto and Belbin will be appearing in the John Hancock Champions on Ice show at Joe Louis Arena on April 9.

Strong pitching, air-tight 'D' are strengths for Canton

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Canton's softball team will travel as far as its pitching takes it this season.

Based on the quality of the Chiefs' mound staff, that could be deep into the Division 1 post-season tournament.

Canton advanced to the quarterfinal round of the brackets last season before getting knocked off in extra innings by Portage Northern. The Chiefs finished with a sterling 27-9-1 record.

"I thought last year's team did extremely well," said coach Jim Arnold, who is entering his 15th season as the Chiefs' mentor. "We won the district, the regional and we had quite a few girls who received honors. I think we'll be strong this year, too. We're blessed with a lot of good pitching, which is important."

Five starters from last season's successful squad graduated: outfielders Jackie Perrino, Annie Rosales and Jeanette Kunze, along with first baseman Kelly Baker and catcher Heather Richardson. Their absence will be easier to

deal with thanks to the return of hard-throwing senior Molly Conlon, who will anchor the Chiefs' pitching corps. As a junior, the right hander compiled an 18-5 record that included six no-hitters.

Joining Conlon in the rotation will be a trio of underclassmen: sophomore Sarah Anthony and freshmen Katie Osburn and Hillary Payne. Osburn can play both of the corner infield spots when not hurling, while Payne will serve as a first baseman.

Arnold said the team's catching duties will be handled by seniors Melissa Cienuch and Molly Przybylski, who backed up Richardson last season.

The trio of Payne, Osburn and Conlon will battle for time at first base while returning starter Rachel Wade will start at second base. The junior hit .416 in 2004.

Rachel is a left-handed slapper with some power, Arnold said. "She's a good defensive player, too."

Sophomore Lauren Delapaz will hold down the fort at shortstop for the second consecutive season. Not too many freshmen bat clean-up and start at short — but Delapaz did both last

season, and she did them well, hitting .476 to earn All-Division and All-Observed honors.

Lauren is an exciting ballplayer, Arnold said. When she steps on the field, she makes everybody else better.

The infield will be rounded out by junior Brittany Scero, a left-handed lead-off hitter who racked up a .360 batting last year.

The lone returning starter in the outfield is Erika Perkovich. She will be joined in the starting line-up by a combination consisting of either junior Rachel Beaudoin, sophomore Elisha Johnson or junior Stephanie Murray.

Krista Holcomb, along with twins Chelsea and Tiffany Quroz, will provide the Chiefs with plenty of depth.

"We should be strong defensively again," Arnold added. "We haven't really set any long-term goals yet. We're just going to take it one game at a time."

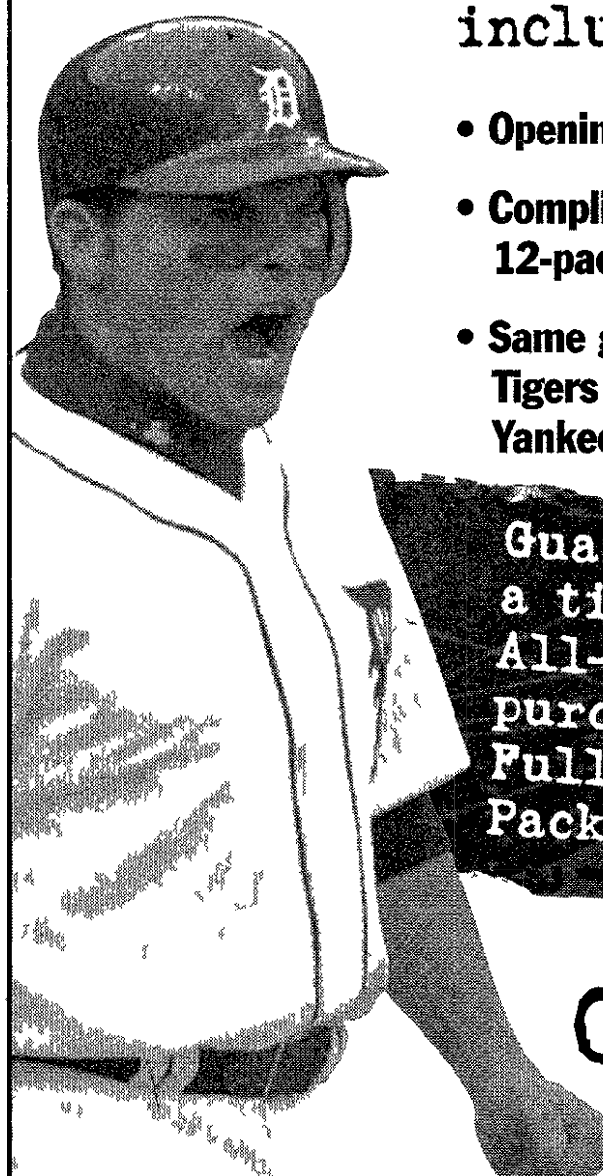
Arnold said Northville will be dangerous again in the WLAA. Canton opens its season April 4 at home against Brighton. The Chiefs' first WLAA action will come on April 18 when they host Wayne Memorial. ewr_ghl@oe.homecomm.net | (734) 953-2108

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BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

Despite near-freezing temperatures and biting winds blowing in from the east on Saturday morning, an estimated 1,100 runners trudged through Hines Park to compete in the Martain Marathon and half-marathon.

Pittsfield Township's Hamshvraj Dhamrat completed the tough 26.2-mile course in a respectable 2 hours, 49 minutes and 53 seconds. The 27-year-old averaged 6.29 per mile. On the women's side, 46-year-old Peggy Zeeb of Colon placed first in 3:18:44 averaging 7.35 per mile.

Other marathon female age-group winners included Erin Serkan of Mount Pleasant, 1-19 (3:50:01), Abbie Hawkes of Provo, Utah, 20-24 (3:23:51), Ilse Abusamra of New York, N.Y., 25-29 (3:32:59), Susana Filipek of Royal Oak, 30-34 (3:43:48), Liz Hendershott of Ortonville, 35-39 (3:42:25),

Nancy Schubring of Novi, 40-44 (3:28:51), Ruth Cornish of Cincinnati, Ohio, 45-49 (3:44:06), Cathy Tibbetts of Farmington, 50-54 (3:31:57), and Mary Steinhauer of LaSalle, 60-64 (5:30:55).

Male age-group marathon winners include Marshall Stephens of Rochester, 1-19 (4:57:36), Michael Oren of Kentwood, 20-24 (3:28:25), Michael Glennon of Westland, 25-29 (3:16:33), Michael Becker of East Lansing, 30-34 (3:27:14), Craig Redfearn of Granger, Ind., 35-39 (2:58:48), Rich Power of Pittsburgh, Pa., 40-44 (3:01:16), Dave Dwornick of Brownstown, 45-49 (3:07:48), John Tarkowski of Northville, 50-54 (3:10:07), Claude Spencer of Clark Lake, 55-59 (3:31:07), Thomas Wascha of Burton, 60-64 (3:48:59), and Richard Wallen of Flushing, 65 and up (3:53:58).

For complete results visit martainmarathon.com or runmichigan.com

Area USHL skaters headed to college

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

The U.S. Hockey League continues to provide fertile ground for NCAA Division I programs.

Livonia natives Brandon Naurato and Jeff Lerg, teammates on the West Division-leading Omaha (Neb.) Lancers, are living testaments.

Naurato, a right winger in his second season in the USHL, will sign an NCAA letter-of-intent next month with the University of Michigan where former USHL products Brandon Kalenecki and David Moss, also both from Livonia, honed their games prior to joining the Wolverines.

Lerg, the Lancers' starting goaltender, is headed to Michigan State to join his cousin Bryan, a freshman winger with the Spartans.

The USHL is by far the best junior hockey league in the country, said Naurato, who had 14 goals and eight assists through his team's first 40 games. There are over 100 (college) scholarship players

from this league right now. Of course, there's one small sacrifice involved — living away from home.

It's a great experience to come out here and get out on your own before you get to college because when you come in you're already step ahead of the freshmen, said Lerg, who has a 31-9 record with a 2.19 goals-against average. "I'm happy with my decision. I live with Guyhras family. I'm real comfortable there."

Naurato, who just turned 20, played his first season in the USHL for the Cedar Rapids (Ia.) Roughriders before moving over to Omaha. Prior to joining the USHL, Naurato honed their games prior to joining the Wolverines.

"Cedar Rapids drafted me, but Omaha is the first place I wanted to go," he said. "I was excited to play there (Omaha)."

"We're first in our division (with a 35-10-6 record) right now and it's just a better group of guys. And we're also playing for one of the most respected coaches (Mike Hastings) in junior hockey, a guy who really

knows the game. Naurato tries to stay busy, but sometimes boredom sets in.

There's nothing like home and being with your family," he said. "We play a lot of cards and you hang out with the guys, but there's really no free time. Long bus rides are also part of the USHL. The Lancers are centrally-located, but find themselves some nights in Green Bay, Wis., Chicago and Indianapolis.

"My family comes out whenever they can," said Lerg, who also considered University of Nebraska-Omaha, Boston University, Providence and Colorado College before settling on MSU. "We average about 3,700 fans (per game), it's really big out here. We've had as many as 6,000 at a game."

Lerg, in his second season with the Lancers, attended Redford Catholic Central High School for three years before graduating as a senior at Millard North H.S. (Neb.). He played eight years in the Honeybaked program where

he was a member of the 2000 Midget Major Team which captured state, national and world titles.

Slated to be a backup when he arrived in Omaha, Lerg cracked the Lancers' lineup, became a full-time starter and never looked back.

"I came in as a younger-age player and was fortunate to play right away," he said. "I with a real good group of guys and a good group of players."

This season he has elevated his game, posting five shutouts and a 91.3 save percentage.

"I'm only 5-foot-5, so I have to rely on positioning and quickness," he said. "I try and make up for my lack of size by being the fastest goalie I can go from side to side."

The two, however, will change allegiances starting next season when Lerg heads to East Lansing and Naurato to Ann Arbor. "We're good friends, we've known each other a long time, but since we've been here (Omaha) we've become really good friends," said Naurato, who also visited Michigan State before committing to U-M.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE MAY 3, 2005 ELECTION FOR SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE PLYMOUTH/CANTON SCHOOL DISTRICT VAN BUREN SCHOOL DISTRICT WAYNE/WESTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that April 4, 2005, is the last day registrations can be accepted in order to be eligible to vote in the Election to be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2005. Registrations will be accepted at the Township Clerks Office, 1150 South Canton Center Road, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Registration can be made at any Secretary of State Office or State Designated Agency. Persons with special needs who are unable to register in the above mentioned manner are urged to contact the Clerks Office at 734-394-5120. Mail in registration will be accepted postmarked by April 4, 2005.

Terry G. Bennett
Clerk

Publish: March 24 & 31, 2005

OE0500599

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Department of Leisure Services until 5:00 p.m. Thursday April 7th, 2005 for the following:

DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE- DESIGN AND BUILD PROJECT

The specifications are available at the Leisure Services Department located on the third floor of the Canton Township Administration Building or you may contact Brad Sharp at (734) 394-5363. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal 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.

TERRY G. BENNETT, CLERK

Publish: March 24, 2005

OE0500597

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

David Medley, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

Publish: March 24, 2005

OE0500608

PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 2005 7:00 PM (734) 453-1234

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

SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR

- SP 05 06 Office
173 N Main
Zoned O 1 Office
Applicant DJ Maltese Construction Services

SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR

- SP 05 07 Addition
995 W Ann Arbor Trail
Zoned B 2 Central Business
Applicant Walter Menard

All interested persons are invited to attend.

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

Maureen Brodie, ADA Coordinator
201 S Main Street
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 453-1234 Ext. 206

Publish: March 24, 2005

OE0500432

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS FY 2005-2009 CONSOLIDATED PLAN FY2005 CDBG ACTION PLAN

On April 6, 2005 at 2 p.m. 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 \$1,500; Canton Township Volunteer Coordinator, \$6,500; Canton Township Sheldon School site improvements \$15,000; 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

Publish: March 17 & 24, 2005

OE0500598

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH CLOSE OF REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR THE MAY 3, 2005 ELECTION

NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005, SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH for:

Police and Fire Service Millage Renewal of 1.6348 and increase of 0.3652 and

PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Elect one member to the board of education for a full term ending 2009 and

SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Elect two members for six year seats ending June 30, 2011 and one member to a four-year seat ending June 30, 2009.

PLEASE NOTE that April 4, 2005 is the last date to register for the Election to be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2005. Registration for electors within the Charter Township of Plymouth will be taken at the office of the Township Clerk, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building 3 or at any Secretary of State Office or state designated agency. The phone number of the Township Clerk is 354-3224. The office of the Clerk is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. If a resident is unable to register during those hours, a call to the Clerk's Office can set up a convenient time for the resident.

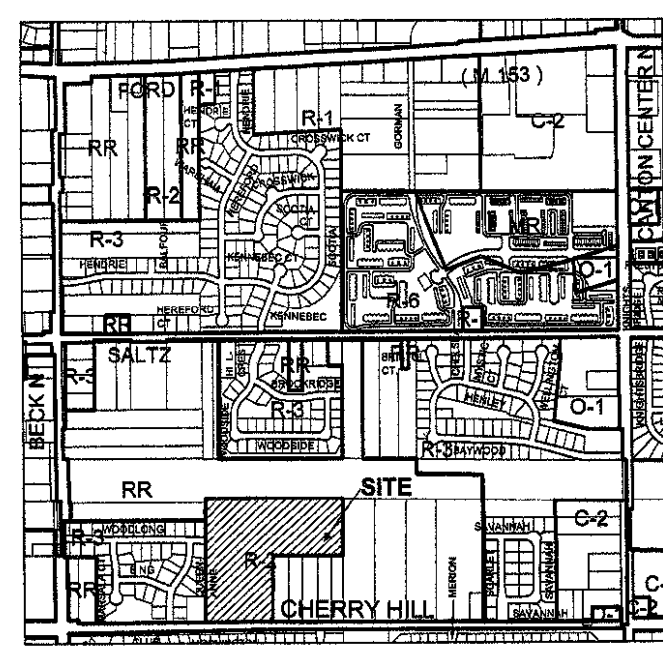
Marilyn Massengill, CMC
Clerk, Charter Township of Plymouth

Publish: March 24 & 27, 2005

OE0500599

PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 4, 2005 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance: **CROSSWINDS COMMUNITY CHURCH SPECIAL AND USE CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR A RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 10.02B.4 FOR PARCEL NO. 063.99.0036.000.** Property is located north of Cherry Hill between Beck and Canton Center Roads.



SECTION 16

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday, March 31, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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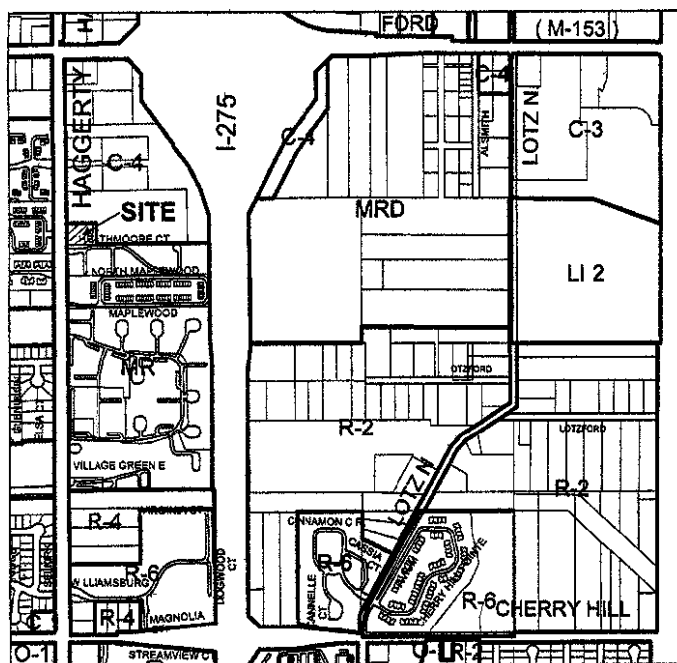
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 18, 2005 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

ROBINSON REZONING CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 050.99.0017.001 FROM MR. MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO C-3 REGIONAL COMMERCIAL. Property is located east of Haggerty and south of Ford Road.



SECTION 13

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday, April 14, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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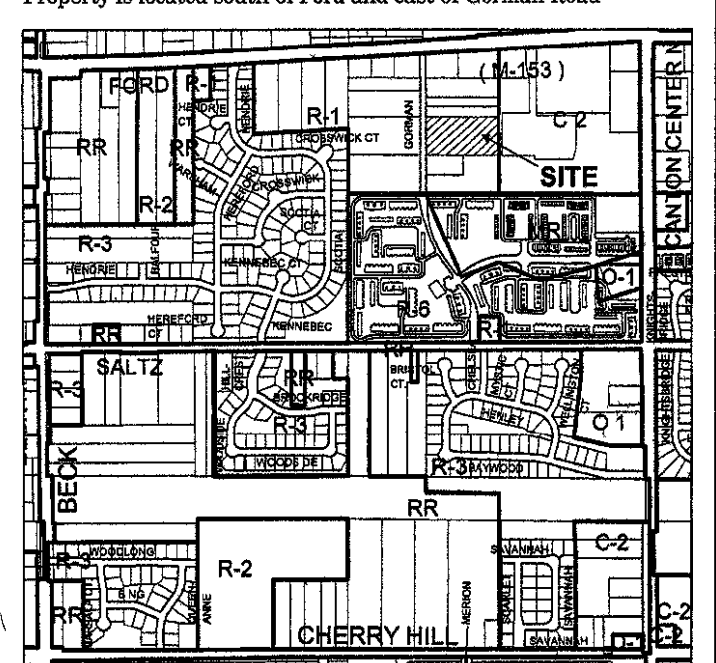
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 18, 2005 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

ALHASCHEMY REZONING CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NO. 036.01.0008.000 FROM R-1 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (1 DWELLING UNIT/ACRE) TO R-3 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (3 DWELLING UNITS/ACRE). Property is located south of Ford and east of Gorman Road.



SECTION 16

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday, April 14, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

Vic Gustafson, Chairman

Publish: March 24 & April 14, 2005

OE0500599

All-area boys swimming team makes waves in performances

FIRST-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

Andrew Schoff, Liv.
Stevenson, 200 freestyle: The senior was a state qualifier with a season-best time of 1:49.12. He finished fifth in both the 100 freestyle (50.3) and 200 freestyle at the WLAA meet.

He just missed with a state cut in the 100 butterfly (56.09).

"Andrew was a tremendous transfer two years ago and helped us win the league (WLAA)," Stevenson coach Jeff Shoemaker said. "He'll be hard to replace next year. He has a tremendous amount of natural ability."

Nick Dixon, Salem, 200 IM: The senior earned All-State honors in the 200 individual medley (fourth) and the 100 backstroke (fifth). He was All-WLAA 16 times throughout his four-year career at Salem and All-State six times.

Dixon, who served as a Rock captain this season, was voted Salem's MVP in 2004 and 2005.

"Nick Dixon has had an amazing high school career in which he has competed with the best and he has earned the respect of coaches and competitors throughout the state," said Salem coach Chuck Olson. "He's a great student (3.9 GPA) and he plans on continuing his swimming career at either the Naval Academy or the Air Force Academy."

Matt Massman, Stevenson, 50 freestyle: The junior was WLAA champion in the 50 freestyle and placed ninth in Division I with a time of 21.92.

Massman was also a member of Stevenson's three state relay placing teams, including the 200 medley relay. He also took third in the 100 freestyle at the WLAA and had a season-best time of 49.36.

"Matt will return as one of the premier sprinters in the state for next year," Shoemaker said. "He has much potential and will help us out tremendously next year. He's relative new to swimming, but a natural athlete."

Andrew Murawski, Salem, diving: The senior was this season's All-WLAA diving champion as he recorded a score of 370.05. He was an MHSAA Division 1 state qualifier for three years and the recipient of the 2005 Salem Coaches award.

"Andrew has been one of the top divers in the area as well as the state the past three years," Olson said.

Cody Stafford, Stevenson, driving: The senior placed fifth in the WLAA meet (336.70 points), 10th at the regional (308.30) and 11th in the Division I state meet (337.05).

"Cody was a little disappointed with how he finished at the league and the regional," Stevenson diving coach Michelle Kam said. "But at the state meet he had the meet of his life and you could tell how proud he was of himself and I was proud of him, too."

"I wish him the best of luck in college. He's a great leader and he will accomplish a lot. He was a big help to both me and the underclassmen."

Steve Bruestle, Stevenson, 100 butterfly: The junior placed fifth in Division I with a season-best 51.86, second fastest in Stevenson history.

He was also runner-up in the WLAA in the 100 butterfly and also had fast clockings in the 50 freestyle (22.92) and 100 freestyle (49.85).

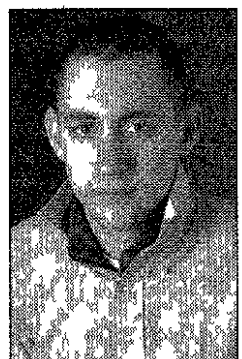
Bruestle was a member of Stevenson's three state-placing relay teams.

"Steve has unlimited potential as a swimmer and is expected to be one of the top swimmers in the state next year," Shoemaker said. "He just started to realize how fast he could be."

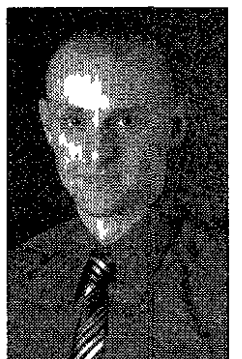
Matt Jurcak, Salem, 100 freestyle: A senior, Jurcak qualified for the Division state meet in six events and finished 12th in the 100 freestyle. He earned All-WLAA consideration in the 200 freestyle and 100 backstroke in 2005.

Jurcak, a captain, won the 2005 Mike Kilgore/Plymouth Salem Outstanding Student/Athlete Award and the 2005 Coaches award. He won the Most Improved Swimmer award in 2003 and 2004, and earned All-WLAA accolades 11 times.

"Matt has shown improvement all four years of high school, ending as one of the most versatile and competitive



Andrew Schoff
Stevenson



Nick Dixon
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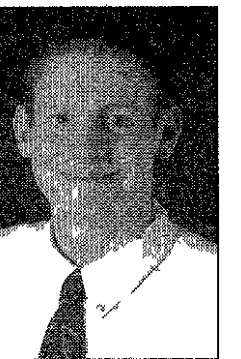
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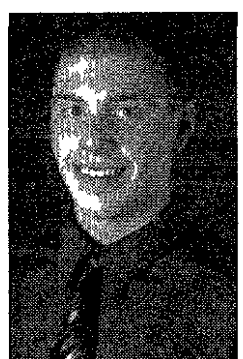
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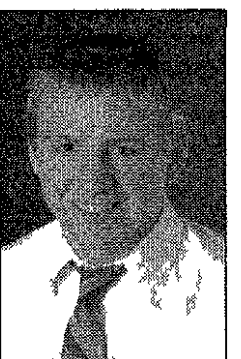
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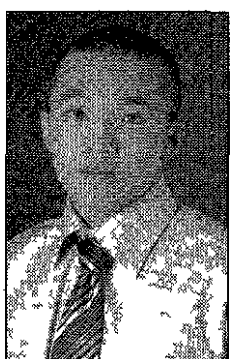
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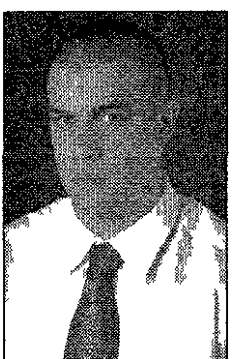
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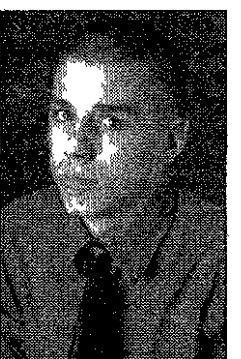
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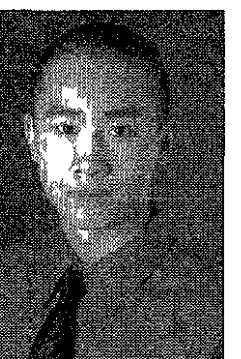
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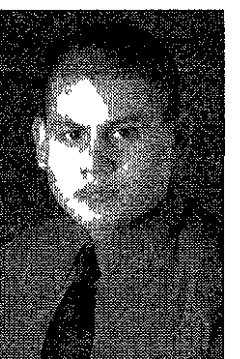
Chris Banas
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Jeff Pauza
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Stan Chen
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Pat Sautural
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2004-05 ALL-OBSERVER BOYS SWIM TEAMS

200-yard medley relay: 1 Livonia Stevenson (Garrett Baringhaus Sr, David Gosdzinski Jr, Steve Bruestle Jr, Matt Massman Jr) 2 Salem (Matt Jurcak Sr, Stan Chen Jr, Nick Dixon Sr, Penn Chou Sr)

200 freestyle: 1 Andrew Schoff Sr, Stevenson 2 Nick Landis Jr, Canton

200 individual medley: 1 Nick Dixon Sr, Salem 2 Matt Carlson, Soph, Canton

50 freestyle: 1 Matt Massman Jr, Stevenson 2 Mike Higgs Sr, Salem

Diving: 1 (tie) Andrew Murawski Sr, Salem; Cody Stafford Sr, Stevenson 2 Kevin Cafarelli Jr, Canton

100 butterfly: 1 Steve Bruestle Jr, Stevenson 2 John Faraoni Sr, Canton

100 freestyle: 1 Matt Jurcak Sr, Salem 2 Penn Chou Sr, Salem

500 freestyle: 1 Travis Hatt, Soph, Stevenson 2 Chris Banas Sr, Redford Catholic Central

200 freestyle relay: 1 Stevenson (Travis Hatt, Soph, David Gosdzinski Jr, Steve Bruestle Jr, Matt Massman Jr) 2 Salem (Mike Higgs Sr, Penn Chou Sr, Nick Dixon Sr, Matt Jurcak Sr)

100 backstroke: 1 Garrett Baringhaus Sr, Stevenson 2 Jeff Pauza, Soph, Stevenson

100 breaststroke: 1 David Gosdzinski Jr, Stevenson 2 Stan Chen Jr, Salem

400 freestyle relay: 1 Stevenson (Matt Massman Jr, Garrett Baringhaus Sr, Steve Bruestle Jr, Travis Hatt, Soph) 2 Salem (Mike Higgs Sr, Penn Chou Sr, Nick Dixon Sr, Matt Jurcak Sr)

CO COACHES OF YEAR: Jeff Shoemaker, Livonia Stevenson; Chuck Olson, Salem

HONORABLE MENTION: Catholic Central: Jay Gronbach, Dave Morrow, Ben Chabala, Churchill: Greg Scully, Andrew Randall, Erik Foulds, Mark Gordon, Chuck Elstone, Matt Williams, Spencer Mabey, Pat Brunsch, Pat Hays, Stevenson: Sam Loria, Steve Smith, Robert Luke, Jeff Weber, Adam Whalen, Kyle Herman, Jeff Chudzinski, Aaron Schultz, Redford Thurston: Patrick Brown, Connor Mahnske, Eric Rowley, Greg McKeague, Dan Willim, Jordan Mikols, Courtland Wright, Tim Bellis, Kyle Fagan, Randy Govan, Garden City: Carl Ford, Ken Kastl, Jeremy Bird, Erik Thackaberry, Chris Clendening, Matt Fitzgibbon, Redford Union: Don Shuffer, Dan Holst, Wayne, Kyle Erdmann, Paul Mosier, Jarrett Machovec, Andrew Hermatz, Justin Schofield, John Glenn, Jon Whitt, Canton: Dave Conzelman, Nathan Phillips, Shogo Uno, Salem: John Kline, Eric Martin, Plymouth: Andy Knisely, David Kong, Sorin Oprican, Justin Magill

swimmers in the state. Matt has a 3.8 GPA and plans to attend either the Air Force Academy, the University of Michigan or Purdue."

Travis Hatt, Stevenson, 500 freestyle: The sophomore was one of the area's top all-around performers including a ninth-place finish in the 200 IM (1:57.2 during the prelims).

At the WLAA meet, Hatt was the 200 IM champion and took third in the 500 freestyle.

Among his other top times including 50 freestyle (22.78), 100 freestyle (49.23), 200 freestyle (1:49.83), 500 freestyle (4:46.21), 100 backstroke (58.8) and 100 breaststroke (1:03.91).

Hatt also was a member of Stevenson's 200- and 400 freestyle relay teams which placed at the state meet.

"Travis continues to be one of the biggest assets on the Stevenson team," Shoemaker said. "He has a tremendous amount of dedication to the sport. I have the utmost faith in Travis' ability. He is one of the top swimmers in the state for his age."

Garrett Baringhaus, Stevenson, 100 backstroke: The senior was a two-time WLAA champion in the 100 butterfly (53.13) and finished ninth in the state meet in the same event (52.68).

Baringhaus had the area's fourth-best clocking in the 100 backstroke (57.14). He was also member of Stevenson's fourth-place 200 medley relay and 14th-place 400 freestyle relay at the Division I meet.

Among his other top clockings: 100 freestyle (49.79), 200 freestyle (1:49.7), 500 freestyle (5:01.49).

"Garrett will be deeply missed for next year,

Shoemaker said. "He'll be hard to replace because he'll swim anything. He'll do some great things for whoever he swims for next year in college. He has great leadership qualities and is an excellent young man to know. He'll be successful in anything he does."

David Gosdzinski, Stevenson, 100 breaststroke: The junior placed 11th in Division I at the state meet and had a season-best 1:01.14.

Gosdzinski also placed third in the 100 breaststroke at the WLAA meet.

With a third-place finish at the WLAA meet, he also qualified for the state meet in the 50 freestyle (22.41).

Gosdzinski was also a member of Stevenson's fourth-place 200 medley relay team at the state meet.

"David has the potential of being one of the best breaststroke swimmers in the state next year," Shoemaker said. "He is a kid with excellent ability."

FIRST-TEAM RELAYS

200 medley, Stevenson (Garrett Baringhaus, David Gosdzinski, Steve Bruestle, Matt Massman): This quartet finished fourth in the Division I state meet with a time of 1:37.09, which is also an automatic All-American cut.

It is the second fastest 200 medley relay team in school history with three of the four returning. Baringhaus is the only senior, while Gosdzinski, Bruestle and Massman are all juniors.

200 freestyle, Stevenson (Travis Hatt, David Gosdzinski, Steve Bruestle, Matt Massman): This foursome captured the WLAA title and earned a 12th at the state meet with an area-best clocking of 1:28.59.

All four members return next season.

"These four just started to swim together and we expect big things from them next year," Shoemaker said. "There is also lots of room for improvement."

400 freestyle, Stevenson (Matt Massman, Garrett Baringhaus, Steve Bruestle, Travis Hatt): This quartet placed 12th in the state meet with a season-best 3:17.06 in the state prelims.

The same four finished runner-up in the Western Lakes (3:18.53).

"With three of the four returning, we expect a large time drop next year," Shoemaker said. "This relay has to come through for us."

SECOND-TEAM INDIVIDUALS

Nick Landis, Canton, 200 freestyle: A junior, Landis qualified for the Division 1 state meet in the 500 freestyle. He finished seventh in the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:51.06, which was 4.83 seconds faster than his season-opening time.

"Nick made decisions prior to the season about the amount of dedication he would put in, and it paid off for him," Weber said. "Through his hard work he was able to meet his goals this year."

Matt Carlson, Canton, 200 IM: Only a sophomore, Carlson dropped eight seconds off his personal-best time in the 200 IM (2:03.51) this season. "Matt is a dedicated swimmer who will continue to be successful throughout his swimming career," said Canton coach Ed Weber.

Mike Higgs, Salem, 50 freestyle: A senior, Higgs was a Division 1 state qualifier in five events and earned All-WLAA consideration in the 50 freestyle, 200 freestyle and 400 freestyle relay. He was a state qualifier seven times over the past four years and was a recipient of the 2005 Salem Coaches award.

"Mike has improved dramatically throughout his career," said Olson. "He stepped up his performance every time the competition increased."

John Faraoni, Canton, 100 butterfly: Faraoni had a personal-best 100 butterfly time of 54.5, which earned him a second trip to the Division 1 state meet where he finished 22nd. He served as a captain during his senior season.

"John has held major roles for us throughout his four years at Canton," said Weber. "It was exciting having him complete his season at the state meet with a personal-best time."

Penn Chou, Salem, 100 freestyle: The senior was a state qualifier in the 200 medley relay, the 200 freestyle and the 400 freestyle relay. He was on the All-WLAA team for the 200 IM, 100 breaststroke, 200 medley relay and 200 freestyle relay.

A six-time state qualifier, Chou was voted a captain and earned the Salem Coaches award.

"Penn has been an outstanding example of a student/athlete as a competitor," Olson said. "He has a 4.2 GPA and plans to attend the University of Michigan."

Chris Banas, Redford CC, 500 freestyle: The senior set and reached a personal goal to qualify for the Division 1 state meet, where he finished with a time of 4:57.63 seconds.

He had a phenomenal season, said Shamrocks head coach Jeff Baker. "He knew what he wanted to do. He trained very hard to get to the state meet in the 500 free. That was his goal. His hard work and dedication paid off in the end."

Banas also excelled in the 200 free, with a personal best of 1:51.5 seconds.

Jeff Pauza, Stevenson, 100 backstroke: The sophomore earned a state cut in the 500 freestyle (4:57.78) and also went a season-best 57.35 in the 100 backstroke.

He placed fourth in the WLAA in the backstroke and added a seventh in the 500 freestyle.

Among his other top times including 100 freestyle (52.08) and 200 freestyle (1:52.13).

"Jeff has just realized his potential," Shoemaker said. "If he trains in the off-season, he will score big points next year at the state meet next year."

Stan Chen, Salem, 100 breaststroke: The freshman earned All-WLAA consideration in the 200 medley relay and 100 breaststroke, and he was a state qualifier in the 200 medley relay.

"Stan has the ability and talent to be another outstanding Salem student/athlete," said Olson.

SECOND-TEAM RELAYS

200 medley, Salem (Matt Jurcak, Stan Chen, Nick Dixon, Matt Chou): The quartet earned All-WLAA recognition in 2005 and finished 17th at the Division 1 state meet.

"These four swimmers consistently competed at the highest state level," Olson said.

200 freestyle, Salem (Mike Higgs, Pat Sautural, Matt Underhill, Penn Chou): Among the foursome's credentials are All-WLAA and a 24th-place finish at the 2005 Division 1 state meet.

"This foursome gave an outstanding performance while representing Salem in 2005," Olson said.

400 freestyle, Salem (Mike Higgs, Penn Chou, Nick Dixon, Matt Jurcak): The quartet placed third at the WLAA meet with a clocking of 3:20. They earned a berth in the state meet.

They had a great swim at the state meet (3:15.95), but were disqualified, Olson said.

2004-05 All-Area Boys Swimming

SWIM LISTING

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200-YARD MEDLEY RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 1:37.09
Salem 1:41.74
Churchill 1:48.88
Canton 1:48.9
Wayne 1:52.36

200 FREESTYLE

Nick Dixon (Salem) 1:47.25
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 1:47.89
Andrew Schoff (Stevenson) 1:49.12
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 1:49.7
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 1:49.83
Nick Landis (Canton) 1:51.06
Chris Banas (Redford CC) 1:51.53
Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 1:52.13
Derek Schmitt (Canton) 1:55.15
Matt Massman (Stevenson) 1:56.46

200 INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

Nick Dixon (Salem) 1:57.06
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 1:57.2
Matt Carlson (Canton) 2:03.75
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 2:09.05
Penn Chou (Salem) 2:09.21
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 2:09.6
Kyle Herman (Stevenson) 2:09.87
Nathan Phillips (Canton) 2:10.1
Greg Scully (Churchill) 2:10.48
Shogo Uno (Canton) 2:11.62

50 FREESTYLE

Matt Massman (Stevenson) 21.92
David Gosdzinski (Stevenson) 22.41
Mike Higgs (Salem) 22.77
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 22.78
Steve Bruestle (Stevenson) 22.92
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 22.95
John Faraoni (Canton) 23.12
Kyle Erdmann (Wayne) 23.7
Adam Whalen (Stevenson) 23.73
Jay Gronbach (Redford CC) 23.77

DIVING

(based on 11 dives)

Andrew Murawski (Salem) 370.05
Kevin Cafarelli (Canton) 358.55
Cody Stafford (Stevenson) 337.05
Jarrett Machovec (Wayne) 290.15
Andrew Vance (Redford CC) 279.50
Matt Williams (Churchill) 269.70
Jon Whitt (John Glenn) 268.75
Steve Smith (Churchill) 259.30
Justin Magill (Plymouth) 255.85
Chuck Elstone (Churchill) 236.60

100 BUTTERFLY

Steve Bruestle (Stevenson) 51.86
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 52.28
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 52.98
Nick Dixon (Salem) 53.56
John Faraoni (Canton) 54.56
Shogo Uno (Canton) 54.81
Andrew Schoff (Stevenson) 56.09
Pat Sautural (Salem) 56.29
Robert Luke (Stevenson) 57.51
Spencer Mabey (Churchill) 58.36

100 FREESTYLE

Matt Jurcak (Salem) 47.91
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 49.23
Matt Massman (Stevenson) 49.36
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 49.79
Steve Bruestle (Stevenson) 49.85
Mike Higgs (Salem) 49.98
Andrew Schoff (Stevenson) 50.3
Nick Dixon (Salem) 51.04
Penn Chou (Stevenson) 51.28
Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 52.08

500 FREESTYLE

Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 4:46.21
Nick Dixon (Salem) 4:52.66
Chris Banas (Redford CC) 4:57.63
Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 4:57.78
Nick Landis (Canton) 4:58.32
Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 5:00.14
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 5:01.49
Andrew Schoff (Stevenson) 5:07.11
Kyle Herman (Stevenson) 5:14.44
Andrew Randall (Churchill) 5:16.2

200 FREESTYLE RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 1:28.59
Salem 1:31.93
Canton 1:33.28
Wayne Memorial 1:37.59
Livonia Churchill 1:38.81

100 BACKSTROKE

Nick Dixon (Salem) 53.42
Matt Jurcak (Salem) 55.65
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 55.9
Garrett Baringhaus (Stevenson) 57.14
Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 57.47
Robert Luke (Stevenson) 57.73
Greg Scully (Churchill) 57.8
Adam Whalen (Stevenson) 58.76
Nathan Phillips (Canton) 1:00.53
Robert Blaesser (Canton) 1:00.84

100 BREASTSTROKE

David Gosdzinski (Stevenson) 1:01.14
Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 1:03.91
Stan Chen (Salem) 1:04.75
Matt Carlson (Canton) 1:05.26
Penn Chou (Salem) 1:05.39
Andy Knisely (Plymouth) 1:05.44
Nick Dixon (Salem) 1:07.28
Jeff Weber (Stevenson) 1:08.29
Andrew Hermatz (Wayne) 1:08.48
Mark Gordon (Stevenson) 1:08.85

400 FREESTYLE RELAY

Livonia Stevenson 3:17.06
Salem 3:20.84
Canton 3:25.74
Churchill 3:34.95
Wayne Memorial 3:38.86

SPORTS ROUNDUP

JUNIOR GOLF TOUR

Scholarship opportunities are available for local students between the ages of 12 and 18 who participate in the third season of the Top 50 Jr. Tour, which is presented by the Professional Golfers Association Michigan Section. The program is a regional golf tour offering players tournament experience plus the opportunity to earn college scholarships.

Boys and girls are eligible for tour membership. Players do not have to be members of their school teams to participate.

The tour consists of 10 qualifying rounds and 10 tournament rounds, and is held on local private and public courses.

The top 40 qualifiers at each qualifying round play in the tournament round for free, said tour director Dan Thomas. The qualifying field for each tournament is limited to 150

players. Additionally, the top 10 finishers in each week's tournament are exempt into the following week's tournament and will play for free. So a total of 50 players per week are playing free golf.

Scholarship awards are offered based on rules of golf exams, topical essays, sportsmanship and community service. Scholarship awards can be increased as a student's grade-point average increases.

Play begins on June 11 and runs through the season-ending championship tournament on Aug. 8.

The full schedule is posted on the tour's Web site at www.Top50JrTour.com. Interested parents and players should contact the tour at (248) 321-0000 or visit the tour Web site for a membership application.

Items for the Sports Roundup may be faxed to (734) 591-7279 or mailed to The Observer, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150.

GERLACH

FROM PAGE 1

One thing I've learned over the years is that a lot of my kids go home at 2:30 and they sit and watch TV or they take a nap, he said. They have very sedentary lifestyles with little exercise outside of school. That's why I treat my class like it's Lifetime Fitness. I think it's important for the students to be able to maintain their weight — or lose weight if they need to — once they leave school.

While his job can be challenging and draining, Gerlach said it is also extremely fulfilling.

One of the most satisfying things for me is when I hear another teacher tell me that they overheard one of my kids talking about my class, Gerlach said. "It makes me feel good that the kids are excited about what we're doing. That's half the battle."

"Burnout can be a problem in this job, but I've learned that it is very important to separate my job from my family. I have some friends who are police officers who tell me, 'I could never do your job. And I say the same thing to them. I'm like everybody else — I have good days and bad days.'"

TEACHING FAMILY

Teaching is imbedded in the Gerlach family's DNA. "Teaching runs in the family," Gerlach said. "Both of my parents are teachers, so it was always something I had an interest in. My dad teaches at Lutheran Westland and my mom is a first-grade teacher at St. Matthews in Walled Lake. "When I started out at Eastern Michigan, I was thinking about pursuing a degree in

pre-med, but after a week, I realized there were too many science classes. Running and coaching are also Gerlach family traits. Gerlach's father, John, is a longtime high school cross-country and track and field coach, not to mention his sons' former coach.

It was neat having my dad as my coach in high school, Dave Gerlach said. "I learned a lot from him. I think one of the coolest things would be if my dad could help me coach some day when he retires from teaching."

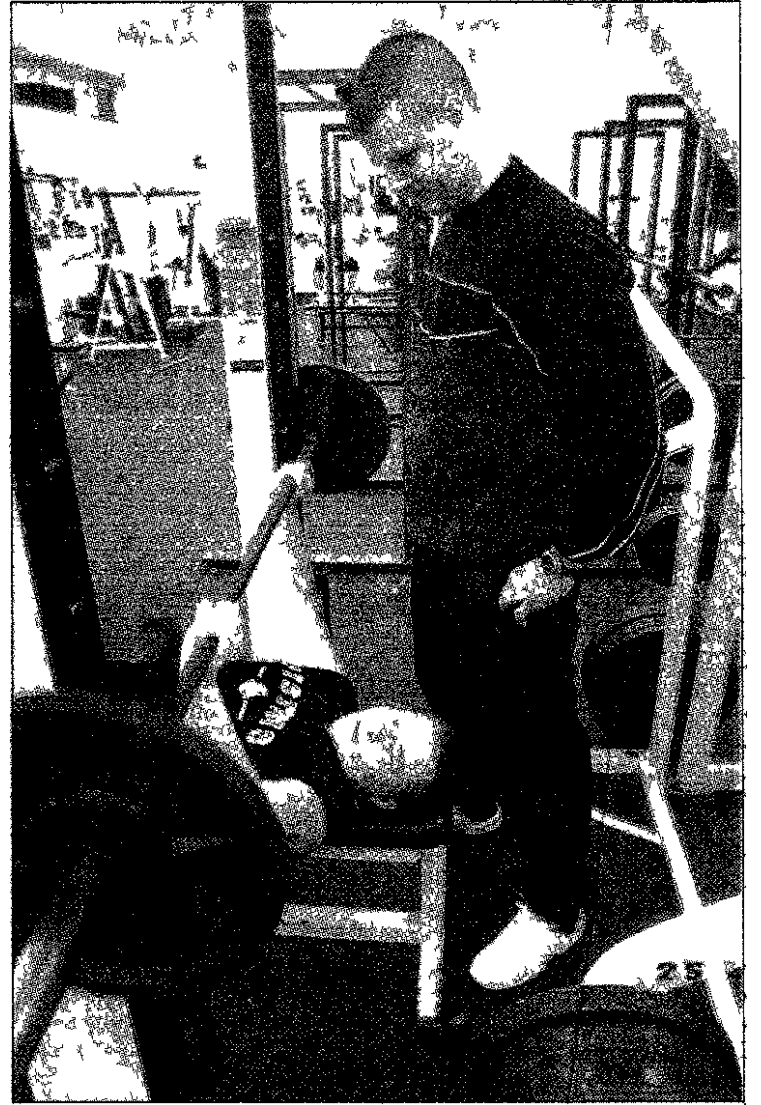
INSPIRING COACH

Gerlach's 10-year tenure as the Salem girls cross-country coach has been a productive one. While the Rocks have always been competitive over the past decade, they were ultra-successful in 2004 when they finished 10th at the Division I state meet.

"I've been involved in sports my entire life, and I can honestly say that Mr. Gerlach is one of the best coaches I've ever had," said Salem senior Lauren Kane, a captain on the Rocks' 2004 cross-country team. "I know this is a cliché, but he teaches the members of his teams about life, not just about sports. He really gets involved in each of his athletes' lives. He makes sure they're doing well in school and he gets to know their parents."

"When I started running cross-country as a freshman, I was doing it to get in shape for soccer in the spring. Well, after my first year of cross-country, I quit playing soccer and started running track in the spring because Mr. Gerlach made running fun."

Gerlach and his wife, Jennifer, are the proud parents of a 2-year-old daughter,



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Dave Gerlach assists student Dennis Yike with bench pressing Monday morning in the Salem High School weight room.

Emilee, who has already shown signs that she may be a future track star.

"She definitely has foot speed," her dad said.

Gerlach said that due to the uniqueness of his position, some people are unsure of his job title.

I'm asked sometimes if I'm a physical education teacher or

a special education teacher, Gerlach said. "The way I look at it, I'm 60 percent physical education and 40 percent special education."

Ask those who work with Gerlach on a daily basis and they'll tell you he's 100 percent dedicated to improving the lives of his students.

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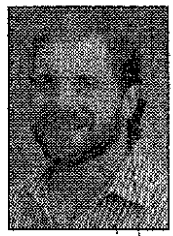
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Start thinking of summer by designing River Day logo

If cabin fever has put you in a cantankerous mood, fight back with a little creativity. The Clinton River Watershed Council has announced its annual River Day Logo Design Contest.



Outdoor Insights

Bill Parker

Open to the public, this contest is a way to encourage the public to actively participate in the design of the logo for River Day 2005.

Although it's still a few months away, River Day is an annual event held

each summer and created to celebrate the conservation and enjoyment of the Clinton River. The winning logo in the contest will be used in all announcements, printed materials, event T-shirts, web site and event signage.

The contest is open to participants of all ages and artistic abilities. All entries must be black-and-white line drawing. Absolutely no gray tones will be allowed. Entries must be 8.5 inches by 11 inches or smaller. The words "River Day 2005" must be prominent in the design. Electronic submissions (JPEG or TIFF files) are welcomed, but must be 300 dpi resolution or greater. The entry deadline is April 1.

The winning design will be announced April 15. For more details contact Claudette Wizinuk at (248) 601-0606 or claudette@rcwc.org. For examples of previous years logos, go to www.rcwc.org/calendar/riverday/rd2004/riverday2004.html.

WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN

Hunting and fishing used to

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be sports enjoyed mainly by males. While that fact remains true today, in recent years participation by females in outdoor activities has been climbing. A big reason for that increase is that public and private organizations are offering classes that introduce women to outdoor activities in a friendly, comfortable environment. One such program is being held in May at William's Gun Sight in Davison. That's about an hour drive from the heart of O&E-land. Sponsored by the Flint River Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation and the Flint Safari Club, the William's Gun Sight 3rd Annual Women's Outdoor Skills Workshop will be held May 7.

It offers an abundance of hands-on opportunities for women to explore the outdoors. Classes to choose from include crafts, fly tying, bicycling, shotgunning, wild game cooking, fly casting, backpacking, gun maintenance, photography, archery, ATV's, wild medicinal herbs, self-defense and outdoor survival.

The registration deadline is April 23. Call P.J. Wallace (810-695-5087), Arlene Minto (810-653-5430) or Mandy Reed (810-715-1178) to register and for more information.

CAMPGROUND HOSTS NEEDED

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources Parks Division is searching for individuals or couples to serve as campground hosts this summer in state parks and state forest campgrounds.

Campground hosts provide information and assistance to other campers. They organize recreational activities at provide tours of the campgrounds. In return for acting as a campground host participants are allowed to camp for free.

Campground hosts play vital roles in helping other campers have a comfortable fun camping experience, says Parks and Recreation Chief Ron Olson. They share their expertise and knowledge and help build camaraderie in the campground.

Retirees, teachers, college students and families all have served as campground hosts in the past.

Hosts must be at least 18 years old and provide service for five days (30 hours each week) including holidays and weekends. A minimum commitment of four consecutive weeks is required. Hosts provide their own camping equipment and personal items.

To learn more about becoming a campground host contact Monica Terrell at (517) 375-3034 or Ada Takacs at (989) 275-5151 ext 2049.

(Bill Parker covers the outdoors for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. Hunters and anglers are urged to report their success. Questions and comments are also encouraged. Send information to Bill Parker c/o Outdoors, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham, MI 48009.)

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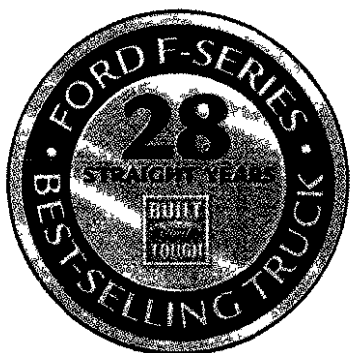
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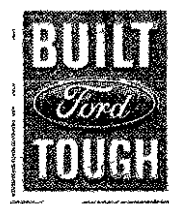
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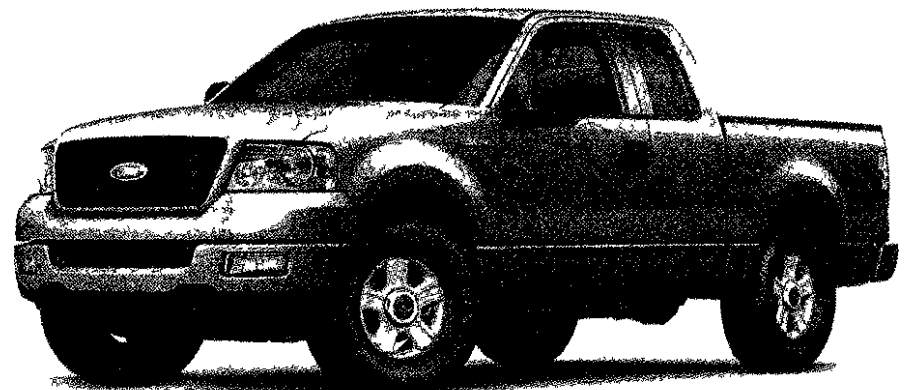
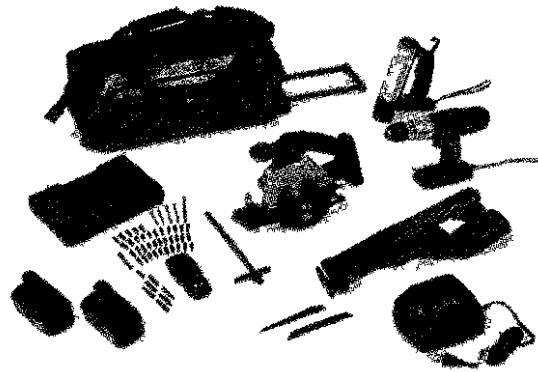
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Professional SWF 30 N/S seeks SWM 35+ independent and professional on for casual dates talks possible LTR ☎575003

FOR YOUR LOVE
SBF 37 N/S likes to travel see plays and movies seeks committed respectful honest SBM 40-47 N/S who is interested in finding long term love ☎593559

HEY OVER HERE
Attractive SBPF 52 55 125lbs with her pes N/S feminine humorous works out Seeking SCM 47 57 N/S fit for possible LTR race unimportant ☎611221

UNATTACHED
but very together SWF 47 56 average build Pisces lega secretary smoker loves tea markets dancing meditation and antiques Seeking WM 44 55 for LTR ☎519246

GENUINE HEARTED
SWF 49 53 all m build Scorpio very healthy and energetic smoker seeks energetic W/M 35 55 for LTR ☎620308

I WOULD LIKE TO MEET YOU
Shapely SWF 37 57 N/S w/many interests seeks single man 27 49 who is confident tall well groomed with lots of interests ☎621634

ONE OF A KIND
SF 38 blonde/blue 5'6 mother enjoys bowling pool concerts open park walks cycling music especially Rod Stewart Seeking Macomb man to share happiness ☎404691

ADAM LOOKING FOR YOUR RIB
Financially secure independent SBFC 31 57 160lbs enjoys concerts movies dining quiet times and more Seeking SCM 30 45 with similar interests for possible LTR ☎217475

LOST IN MICHIGAN
SBPF 29 55 190lbs no children never married very active easygoing laid back loves to travel Looking for sincere open minded active male who has his stuff together ☎225089

GET TO KNOW ME!
SF 38 N/S mother of two cooking for working man 28 55 N/S for friendship first ☎431382

MAKE ME LAUGH
SBF 45 smoker wants to find friendship possibly more w/gentleman 40 60 who appreciates music I love spending time out doors ☎460269

IT'S ALL GOOD
Coo SBF 31 58 N/S likes to bowl fish skate and travel seeks SBM 19 35 N/S to share honest friendship romance quality time together ☎476802

BEAUTIFUL MIND WANTED
Beautiful full figured SBF 35 enjoys comedy and romance bowling walks in the park Seeking tall dark handsome SBM 33 50 ☎481293

ATTRACTIVE PRINCESS
Seeks knight SBF 26 5 desires SBM 26 35 for possible LTR must be ambitious enjoy pets long walks sports be employed and full of possibility ☎530939

BEAUTIFUL EYES AND SMILE
Sports oriented BF 39 two teenage daughters physically challenged loves jazz sports gospel pcncs amusement parks Seeking SF 29 45 ☎223080

HONESTY REQUIRED
Beautiful full figured SBF 35 is looking for tall dark handsome SBPM who is honest and down to earth to spend time with ☎401988

ARE YOU THE ONE
DBF 53 H/W proportionate outgoing loves the arts plays dancing movies outdoors scen c drives ISO SM D/D free w/similar interests smoker social drinker ok No games! ☎417296

IN IT FOR THE LONG TERM
SBF 30 56 loves to get away for the week end would like to get to know SBM 23 41 w/passion for travel and life ☎508782

WHERE ARE YOU?
Attractive outgoing honest sexy SBF 32 ISO SM any age 31 37 for relationship I enjoy movies rollerblading comedy clubs bowling etc Serious replies only ☎455371

PRECIOUS ONE
SWF very pretty a young 39 med um dark/green works in medical field seeks attractive SWM outgoing honest car ng sens tve and creative for best friend more ☎230588

CUTE GIRL NEXT DOOR
Me 26 49 155lbs brown complexioned employed 59 64 190lbs 2-0lbs sn gle drama free handsome Friendship first maybe on term later ☎271252

A LOT TO OFFER
Outgoing SBF 24 56 350lbs professional employed loves the fun and excitement of festivals enjoys new movies and concerts seeks handsome honest SBM ☎286634

SEE FOR YOURSELF
SBF 42 52 170bs compassionate hard working enjoys 70s/80s rock/dance scen c drives mov es fishing playing pool reading ISO active SM who is up for a title adventure once and a while Friendship LTR ☎580735

MUST LOVE ANIMALS
WF 53 54 blonde/blue full figured likes travel fine dining shows plays animals ch i dren pcncs boating swimming cooking reading fishing slow dancing Seeking good kind hearted 45 50 62 w/ ntegr ty and mora ☎901692

CLASSY SEXY RED HEAD
SWF 54 58 142bs enjoys to be an mals ga dening homeowner no kids Seeking SWM 5+ N/S social drinker for LTR ☎415050

OPEN ROAD
SWF 53 55 N/S passionate about life ve y sincere and hard working enjoys Harleys romant c getaways seeks WM 45 56 N/S with common interests ☎809904

DO YOU
Enjoy walking reading traveling having fun? Attractive caring fun loving DWJPF 60 ISO honest caring fun loving W/DJPF 58 70 to companionship and possible LTR ☎621752

LIFE IS TOO SHORT
Mature and outgoing SBF 50 years young 5 75bs thick not fat great guy e nte sted n meeting mature black male who loves to be spontaneously ☎901692

SEXY REDHEAD/GREAT LEGS
DWF 54 142bs 56 enjoys blues an ma s garden ng homeowner no kids Seeking SM 5 10+ N/S social drinker for LTR ☎548998

FOUND LIKE YOU?
SWF 18 56 blonde/haze 150lbs sweet honest outgoing kes concerts moves hanging w/ friends Seeking honest attractive friendly outgoing SM for casual dates fun and friendship ☎562708

CUTE AND CLASSY
SBF m d 50s seeks attractive gentleman 50+ with similar interests I love jogging walks concerts quiet evenings ☎574342

SLOW DANCING ROMANCING
DWF 45 N/S H/W proportionate perky brown eyed girl honest and outgoing seeks SWM 40 50 for good friendship dating and spec al times ☎576279

SOULMATE SEARCH
Slim attractive 57 yr old JF looking for her soulmate any s nce successful JM be tween the ages of 54-64 please respond ☎589875

58 YEARS OLD ENTREPRENEUR
Pretty SWF successful kind compassion ate out of fun looking for her knight and shing arm or any caucasian s nce success ful sp ritual 55 80 ☎592074

JOURNEY WITH ME
through lifes adventure DWF 50ish slim blonde enjoys romance travel life is fullest Seeking financially secure WM 55-65 Lets unravel life s mysteries together! ☎605596

GREAT COMPANION
SF 65 looks 55 52 unique bright w/many talents and interests I m traveled very attractive health conscious How about you? Seeking non smoking counter part 82 70 ☎633527

EASY TO GET ALONG WITH
DWFC 68 looks younger 52 long dark/brown N/S ND pos tve attitude on enjoys movies dining out drives watching sports hold ng hands Would enjoy a monog amous LTR with SWM 58 75 ☎606866

IS HE OUT THERE?
SJF 43 56 honest gentle intelligent sensitive shy likes fine dining pool theater moves Seeking honest secure loving and reliable man to share friendship good times ta ks and maybe more ☎601614

FABULOUS AND FULL FIGURED
Cute sexy SBF 41 N/S w try anything once loves movies plays dancing holding hands cudd ng Seeking attractive sexy BM 31 50 N/S with similar interests ☎113224

ARE YOU STRONG OF MIND?
But gentle of heart? Good cooking I m SM 42 55 N/S Very cute SBF 53 emotionally and physically n shape with eclectic nter ests currently accepting applications ☎263884

ROMANTIC LADY
Beautiful voluptuous DBF 42 56 kes travel ng outdoors Seeking man 45+ race n important to enjoy life together for friend shp maybe more ☎464964

SHALL WE DANCE?
SAF 56 41 105bs das res we groomed older gentleman 60 75 who loves to dance and travel Grosse Pointe area preferred ☎498134

EBONY SEEMS IVORY
DBF 42 53 140lbs full figured seeks to date SWM 40 50 n the Mount Clemens area ☎455323

LOVING AND CARING
Independent active lov ng car ng down to earth SF 46 N/S vegetarian enjoys movies fine dining travel Looking to handsome SM 45 49 H/W proportionate N/S professional job ☎421898

LIBRA
DBF 50 looks much younger enjoys music long wa ks quiet times Seeking W A/M 35 50 for fr endsh p possible long term relat on sh p ☎253857

SEMI RETIRED
SF 62 59 slim fit kes jazz concerts symphon es theater traveling and outdoors activities Seeking nice honest car ng humorous gentleman 55 70 with similar interests ☎467917

TWO HEARTS ONE LIFE
SBF tall med um build N/S who enjoys music travel ng comedy shows seeks man 45 55 N/S who is outgoing affectionate stable o for LTR ☎444748

STILL LOOKING
Att active tall SBF 48 N/S bus ness woman enjoys fishing boating moves long walks Seeking 35+ w/same nte est N/S ☎525043

A PRECIOUS JEWEL
Very attractive BPF Christian 47 55 145lbs honey brown N/S enjoys outdoors movies traveling cooking Seeking romantic BFM 40 55 financially secure similar nter ests for LTR ☎432793

LONESOME
Senior WF retired 54 active honest healthy Need the attention of a WM 65 75 enjoys everything easy to please So hurry up and call me ☎271739

RECENTLY DIVORCED MOM
SWF 43 N/S would like to meet an outgoing friendly non smoking man 35 53 who likes outdoors bicycling walking family ☎115795

SLIM AND PETITE
Easygoing active DWF retired ISO fun male 60+ who likes bridge tennis reading hiking an mals kids popcorn wine to don a tuxedo now and then ☎271739

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?
I could be it! Attractive SWF 50 5 105lbs willing to try just about anything w th the right person Seeking SBM 32 50 for special relationship ☎418068

QUIET BEAUTY
SBF 48 shy but loves to laugh enjoys concerts movies seeking good honest SBM 43 50 N/S for LTR ☎498245

LET'S BE HAPPY TOGETHER
Pretty s endar Ukrainian lady 54 Catholic 10 years n the U S Seeking caring relationship w th warm hearted independent man who enjoys family theater travel ☎512135

SEEKING KINDRED SPIRIT
SM 45 blonde attractive friendly kind con siderate police seeking a SW/M 42 62 for friendship possibly more ☎512857

WOMEN SEEKING

ARE YOU OPEN-MINDED?
WM 39 59 190lbs brown hair honest affectionate likes communicating w th peo ple into music playing tennis working out Seeking W/F 24 46 friendship first possible LTR ☎417050

LOVE IS LOOKING
Sharp supportive SWM 45 good listener can make you feel special and appreciated seeks special SWF age open ☎278661

NEED A SEXY LADY
SWM 48 average build hardworking loves to have fun looking for a sincere woman 45 50 for LTR Redford area ☎604036

FATHER OF ONE IN LIVONIA
Handsome fit fun honest secure SWM 41 61 190lbs w/daughter age 12 enjoys reading b'king running family activities Seeking pos tve fit SWF for great relat onsh p ☎711245

TRY ANYTHING ONCE
Outgoing spontaneous SWM 50 63 N/S likes sland getaways seeks SAF 45 60 N/S for LTR ☎628686

WANTED SEXY BLACK FEMALE
Sexy Itaan SM 56 170lbs fit athlet c runs daily has herpes sensitive understanding good sense of humor likes comedy clubs theater dining more Seeking attrac tve BF 21 40 for LTR ☎130448

EASYGOING GUY
Financially secure homeowner bodybu ilder seeks pte SWF 35 50 sexy attractive to enjoy dining out movies for LTR possible marriage ☎255073

LET'S MAKE THIS WORK
Full figured good natured SWF 30 54 sought by a SWM 48 58 I t very active if you enjoy good times good company and more please call ☎211900

MAN OF DISTINCTION
SBM 32 N/S/Drugs no dependents shy Pisces cute med um complex on family on ented open minded enjoys being at peace w th himself and his surroundings seeking compat ble SF N/S 26 40 ☎262854

LET'S MEET
SBM 36 64 235lbs Taurus N/S college student would like to meet a woman 18-40 N/S ☎629801

ARE YOU MY ANGEL?
SBM 52 59 medium build brown/brown professionally employed N/S seeks woman 39 47 N/S who loves boating and traveling ☎597165

GENTLE AND SENTIMENTAL
An easygoing agreeable cute SWM 40 eager to please and willing to try new things seeks a fairly attractive friendly SWF for dat ng or more ☎210772

ANTIQUES LOVER
BM 57 61 H/W proportionate brown eyes beautiful sm le communicative eng neer loves vegetable and flower garden ng Seeking woman 40-63 ☎262494

HOW ABOUT ME LADIES?
Hard working loyal SBM 33 61 255lbs seeks appreciative kind hearted SWF 27 35 for quiet times together cuddling pcncs BBQs more ☎988622

ARE YOU THE ONE?
SBM 39 58 190lbs N/S muscular build athletic looking for SA/WF 25 55 who takes care of herself ☎537300

TODAY'S NEWS
SWM 34 59 dark Auburn/brown Sagit tarius smoker seeks a WF 43-52 smoker for friendship perhaps more ☎618553

THE DESOLATE ONE
Honest caring sincere SBM 30 51 210lbs up and coming young novelist seeks SW/HF for fr end y fun times involving writing mus c movies etc Serious nqr res only! ☎241184

HELLO LADIES
Well groomed attractive SBM 25 61 200lbs dark complexion seeks a sweet non est fun open hearted lady to share friendship fun dates and possible romance ☎624304

GIVE ME A JINGLE
SPM 40 African American seeking a SF with sim ar interests who enjoys sports movies going out ☎625388

SOMEBODY TO LOVE
and move forward with SBM 57 Gem n N/S seeks a beautiful B/WF 30 50 with good mora ☎620963

A HONEST GENTLEMAN
DWM 56 510 handsome and secure seeks honest caring S/DWF w th a sense of humor who enjoys travel candlelight din ners dancing concerts boating movies for friendship possible LTR ☎507073

A LOT TO OFFER
DWM 35 employed and out ch id into camp ng fishing golf and more Seeking S/DWF 30 42 who enjoys the outdoors Smoker ok ☎224297

HOPE YOU'RE OUT THERE
SM 35 62 dry blond good looking for a SB/WF Nascar hockey walks dining out quiet times Seeking curvaceous cute to share cuddling car ng romance and napp ness ☎620933

NICE GENTLEMAN
SM 29 good career looking for a SB/WF 19 40 for friendship or more Call me lets talk! ☎606930

HANDSOME ATTRACTIVE
SWM 37 6 brown/hazel athletic build wide shoulders fit N/S enjoys fine dining week end tr ps boating fishing swimming camp ng coo actng a work pa nting and wood car ng Seeking nice fam ly oriented WF 25 38 ☎606736

TAKE ME OUT TONIGHT
Lonely SBM 51 62 195lbs Capricorn smok er enjoys family activities seeks SWF 35-47 who oves children and dancing ☎547574

REGULAR GUY
Sometimes shy SWM 49 6 250lbs N/S blue eyes carpenter likes bowling moves staying in for the evening seeks SWF 26 55 N/S for meaningful romance ☎590018

LOOKING FOR SOUL MATE
SWM 54 62 shoulder length brown hair enjoys outdoors camping fishing Seeking SWF happy good sense of humor with sim lar interests for possible LTR ☎618903

TIME FOR A CHANGE?
SWPM 53 brown/hazel affectionate SWM 35 55 joggng being outdoors music movies reading concerts good conversation being w th friends and family Seeking emotionally avail able SWPF 28-44 who is passionate about life ☎611391

A SEXY SHORT SBF WANTED
age 37 60 45 59 tall enjoy music movies d'ng talks and more with SBM 61" cute face lips and har Own home and car ☎498852

SEEKING SOULMATE
SBM 42 55" seeks special loving devout Christian female 55+ slim minded build 30 44 with great sense of humor and a warm hearted lady who enjoys music parks omance laughter for life love ☎604659

NO INTRO NEEDED
Very outgoing SBM 35 6 average build Leo N/S seeks same in a woman 26 46 N/S for LTR ☎614398

LEVEL HEADED
SWM 42 58 brown/blue no facial hair no tattoos or piercings N/S firefighter very open minded seeks WF 18 55 N/S just as a friend ☎617446

LOVE IS HERE
Tall intelligent SBPM 53 265lbs Libra N/S laid back easygoing personable w th sense of humor seeks compassionate affectate intel lgent BF 50-60 no children at home ☎616402

DOWNTOWN/UP/TOWN
SWM 50 6 210lbs entrepreneur Germ n N/S seeks BPF 38 52 N/S model type a+ fit for dancing and romancing ☎617576

GIRLFRIEND WANTED
SBM 42 61 220lbs single dad in search of single female 27 47 under 135lbs for relationship p ☎620299

I FEEL GOOD!
Semi retired SBM 67 56 average build N/S likes good concerts and drive in movies loves the music of James Brown seeks SWF 20-50 N/S who wants to feel special ☎619958

DREAM A LITTLE DREAM
Charming blue eyed gentleman 54 slim build likes music antiques good conversation and laughter seeks woman 45-54 who is still chasing her dreams for LTR ☎620999

SEARCHING FOR AN ANGEL
Serious honest warm hearted fun loving sincere well educated SWM 52 5 5 160lbs with good job financially secure seeks attractive ntel gent sweet lady 35 48 with good morals for possible long term relationship H/W proportionate ☎134345

GIVE ME A CALL
SBM 26 51 11 dark complexion sim laid back seeks easygoing sociable SF nter est ed n having fun and sharing a lit le romance possible LTR ☎624478

LOVES OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES
WM 45 61 210lbs light brown/brown father of two sons kes playing hockey being active having fun boating more Looking for fun honest WF 35 45 for friendship and dating ☎616288

GRANDFATHER
SM G andfather of 8 still driving and work ing enjoys Judge Judy Looking for compan ionsh p and someone to go to garage sales with ☎618930

EASYGOING
Laid back sociable happy DM 48 father auto mechanic likes BBQs golf outdoors hockey fr endfamily Seeking non judge mental easygoing gal for friendship good times and poss ble LTR ☎619317

INTERESTED?
SM 23 d'ry blond 200lbs seeks easygo ng lov ng happy SF for shar ng beach wa ks summer sunshine quiet moments and romance ☎619592

WORTH A CALL
SWM 22 6 160lbs sociable active inde pendent enjoyed likes rollerblading swim ming movies snowblowing hanging w/ friends Seeking easygoing honest fun SF for shar ng good times ☎621006

DEPENDABLE MAN
SWM born n 1951 58 160lbs sporty stream lined well maintained and depend able Wanted slender SW/HF for romantic relationship possible LTR Long har sass a plus ☎8002

KNOW WHAT'S REALLY GOOD?
Spending time w th this brght enthusiastic optimist c yet realistic SWM who is looking for a nice gal 40s or 50s ☎550046

A SPECIAL GUY
DWM 56 510 handsome and secure seeks honest S/DWF w/sense of humor who enjoys travel good looking dinners plays dancing concerts boating and movies Friendship possible LTR ☎269646

WELL HELLO
SM very young looking 50 57 180lbs med um build employed self est'ng D/D free easygoing and easy to get along with enjoys travel boating Seeking S/DWF 40 55 200 350bs ☎597126

TAKE A CHANCE
SWM 43 N/S likes bowling softball Piston games would like to meet SWF 40s N/S who s on the lookout for fun ☎600160

LIFE S A CABARET
Classy romantic intelligent SWM 50 well traveled with good taste seeks a special caring friendly lady 36 55 Lets share life romance and laughter ☎480718

FLAG FOOTBALL

The Westland International Association of Fire Fighters, the Westland Police Officers Association and High Velocity Sports will be hosting a flag-football tournament Friday, April 8, in an effort to raise money for the Metro Detroit North District of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The tournament will begin at 7 p.m. at HVS, which is at 46245 Michigan Ave. in Canton.

The Metro Detroit North District of the MDA covers over 70 percent of Oakland County and one-third of Wayne County. Support from the community enables the MDA to offer the most comprehensive patient services to local families.

Services include a week-long summer camp for children between the ages of 6 and 21 at Camp Cavell in Lexington, Mich., support groups, an MDA clinic at the Michigan Institute for Neurological Disorders (MIND), clinics at Wayne State University and the University of Michigan, and funding for medical equipment.

If you would like to participate in this fund-raiser, call (248) 354-0950.

HOCKEY BOOSTERS

The Plymouth Canton Community Schools Hockey Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 12, at the Plymouth Cultural Center. All parents of current Canton, Plymouth and Salem varsity players are encouraged to attend. Anyone interested in varsity hockey at PCEP is also welcome.

WRESTLING CLUB

Registration for the third session of the Canton Wrestling Club will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. March 28 and March 30 in the Canton High School wrestling room.

The club holds practices on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Canton wrestling room. The cost is \$25 per wrestler. Checks should be made payable to the Canton Wrestling Club.

The season runs from March 21 through May 23. The club is chartered with the Michigan

Wrestling Federation and USA Wrestling.

For more information, contact coach Ray Price at (734) 451-5440, coach Mike Pantaleo at (734) 354-6394, or coach Casey Randolph at (734) 697-2083.

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 p.m. 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. Marys of Wayne, St. Richard, St. Thomas a Becket, Divine Savior, Resurrection, St. James (third- and fourth-graders only) and St. John Neumann.

Parents of interested players should attend the meeting. Program information and registration materials will be distributed. For further information, contact Mike Nelson at mikenelson@ameritech.net or (734) 737-9935.

T-BALL SIGN-UP

The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will be holding registration from March 28 through April 15 for its 5- and 6-year-old co-ed T-ball 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. Games will be held on Wednesdays or Thursdays. The fee is \$75 for non-residents and \$55 for Plymouth residents. For more information, contact the recreation department at (734) 455-6620, ext. 302.

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 T-shirt.

To sign up, contact Ron or Pat Myers at (734) 459-4026 or e-mail them at pcommyers@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 Ypsilanti.

For a free brochure, call (704) 373-0873.

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 are full.

For more information, contact the recreation department at (734) 455-6620.

WILDCAT BOOSTERS

The next meeting for the Plymouth Wildcat Football Boosters will be held Tuesday, April 5, at 7 p.m. in room 401 of Plymouth High School. All parents of current players are encouraged to attend.

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 team-building 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 12-

year-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 help recreational players hone 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 and Canton Soccer Club trainers.

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 is \$5 per child.

For more information on the programs, call (734) 487-7678 or visit www.hvssports.com.

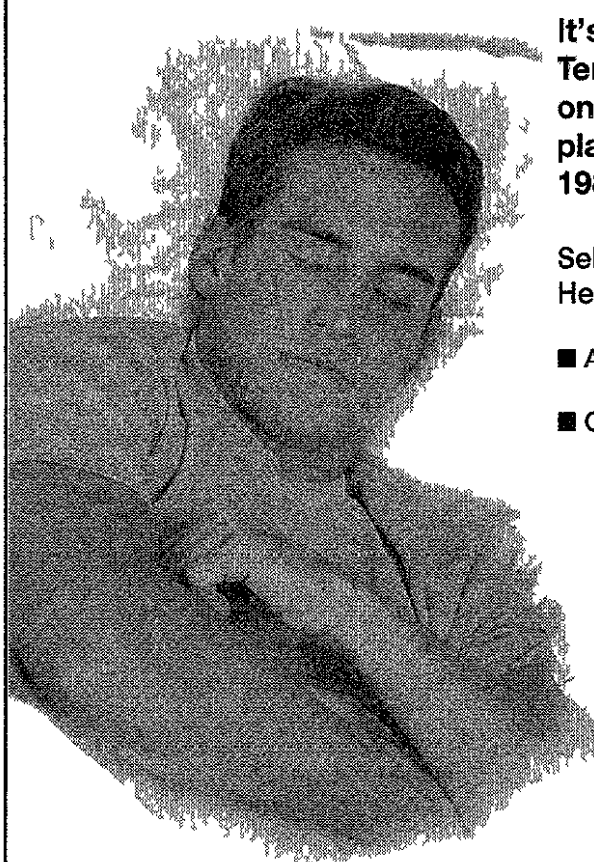
GCYBSA SIGN-UP

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.cantonmi.org for a registration form and mailing address, or pick up a form at the Summit on the Park, which is located at 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

For more information, call (734) 394-5489.

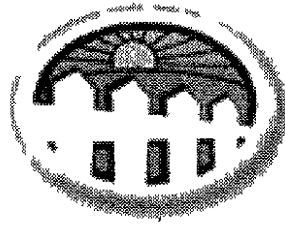
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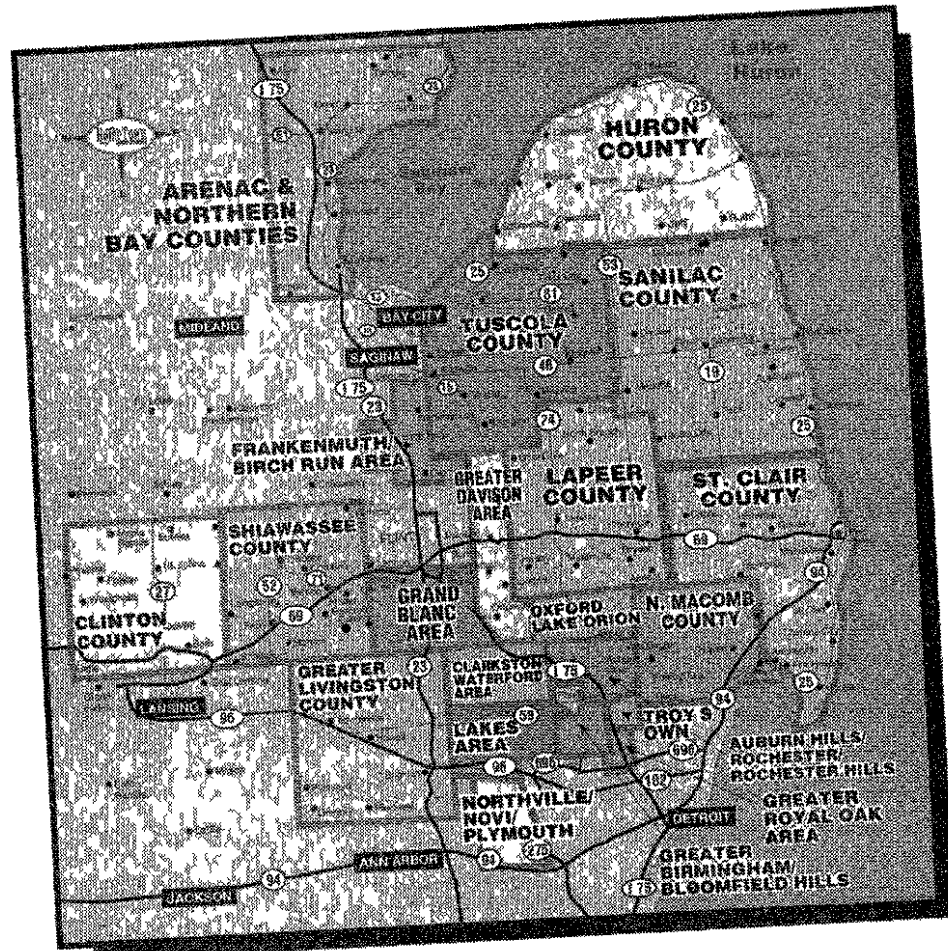
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MARCH

Labyrinth Walk

5-7 p.m. Thursday, March 24, designed to help you find peace and clarity through movement and a place for quieting the mind while opening the heart. Everyone welcome at First United Methodist Church of Farmington, 33112 Grand River. Visit www.farmingtontumc.org

Lenten and Easter services

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday, March 24, noon Good Friday service, March 25, and 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise service and 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. worship services on Easter Sunday, March 27, at First Presbyterian Church of Farmington, 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 474-6170.

Lenten and Easter services

Garden City Presbyterian Church has scheduled a service at 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday at the church at 1841 Middlebelt south of Ford and will participate in a noon to 1 p.m. community Good Friday service at First United Methodist Church on Merriman north of Ford and Easter Sunday traditional service at 10 a.m. with youth Sunday School and balloon launch. Following the services a contemporary service known as Maundy Seed is scheduled for 6 p.m. Easter Sunday. For more information call (734) 421-7620.

Lenten and Easter services

Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 p.m. March 24 and 10 a.m. Easter Sunday, March 27, at St. James Presbyterian Church, 25350 West Six Mile, Redford. Call (313) 534-7730.

Lenten and Easter services

7:30 p.m. Maundy Thursday, March 24, 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae service, Good Friday, March 25, and 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday (breakfast at 8 a.m.), March 27, at Lola Park Evangelical Lutheran Church, 14750 Kinloch, Redford. Call (313) 532-8655.

Lenten services

On March 24, Timothy Lutheran hosts a 7 p.m. Maundy Thursday service and Church of the Holy Spirit a noon service of Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar and on Good Friday, March 25, Trinity Evangelical Covenant Church, 34500 Six Mile, Livonia, hosts a 7 p.m. Good Friday service on March 25 with Timothy Lutheran and Holy Spirit. At noon, Holy Spirit presents a noon Good Friday service. For more information call (734) 591-0211.

Holy Week services

7:30 p.m. Holy Thursday, March 24, 12:30 p.m. Good Friday, March 25, and 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Easter Sunday, March 27, at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 422-1470.

Holy Week services

1 p.m. Good Friday, March 25, and 9 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. Easter Sunday, March 27, at First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, Northville. Call (248) 348-7600.

Blood drive

8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. March 25, at St. Thomas A Becket Church, 555 South Lilley south of Cherry Hill, Canton. Call (734) 981-3433 or (734) 397-8495 for an appointment.

Concert series

Program features Schubert Mass in G Major and the Mozart Piano Concerto in A Major, 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 25, the mass features an ensemble of 50 voices, an orchestra of 22 musicians and guest soloists: pianist Clinton Smith, a graduate student at the University of Michigan School of Music, who will perform the concerto at Plymouth First United Methodist Church, 45201 North Territorial. No charge in honor of Holy Week. For directions, visit www.pfumc.org.

Good Friday concert

The world premiere of a major new choral work, The Passion According to St. John by David Briggs, 7:30 p.m. March 25, at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 West Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills. For tickets and information call (248) 626-2515, ext. 109 or click on www.kirkmusic.org.

Easter egg hunt

10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 26, at First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty, Northville. Call (248) 348-7600.

Passion of Christ Trilogy

A drama featuring flying characters, big screen video, music, high tech stage lighting, pros and special effects, 6:30 p.m. 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.

Easter service

10:30 a.m. Sunday, March 27, Canton Friendship Church will have a special service including a drama presentation and performance by the Hands of Friendship at Cherry Hill Village Theater. An Easter egg hunt follows for children age 11 and under at the Cherry Hill Village Gazebo Park. For more information call the church office at (734) 451-2100 or Robin Leclerc at (734) 981-3798 or visit

www.cantonfriendship.org

Lenten Vesper services

The Council of Orthodox Christian Churches of Metropolitan Detroit sponsors its annual series of Lenten Vesper services at area Orthodox churches beginning at 6 p.m. March 27, Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas at St. Clement Ohridski, Macedono Bulgarian Orthodox Church, 19600 Ford Road, Dearborn, (313) 271-3110; April 3, Sunday of the Veneration of the Cross at St. George Romanian Orthodox Cathedral, 18405 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield, (248) 569-4833; April 10, Sunday of St. John Climacus at Sts. Peter & Paul Romanian Orthodox Church, 750 N. Beech Daly Road, Dearborn Heights, (313) 274-9651; and April 17, Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt at Holy Transfiguration Orthodox Church, 36075 W. Seven Mile Road, Livonia, (248) 476-3432. The general public as well as Orthodox Christians are invited to attend. All proceeds will be used for COCC charities and projects. For more information, contact the Very Rev. Timothy Barna, COCC president at (313) 937-2120 or ftm@twimr.com or the Very Rev. Michael Arbanas, secretary at (313) 271-3110 or fathermichael@stclementchurch.net. For information about COCC call (313) 937-2120.

Evening prayer

7 p.m. weeknights during Lent at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville road, 4 miles south of Michigan Avenue, Belleville. Call (734) 699-3361 for details.

Easter Eggstravaganza

10:30 a.m. Saturday, March 26, over 5,000 eggs to hunt at First Church of the Nazarene, 21260 Haggerty north of Eight Mile, east of Haggerty.

Bible seminar

Creation versus Evolution conducted by Pastor Mike Doucoumes and Joe Knapp, 7:15-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays to April 6, at Cherry Hills Seventh Day Adventists Church, 33144 Cherry Hill, between Wayne and Venoy roads, Garden City. Call (734) 524-0880.

Rummage and bake sale

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Friday, March 31 to April 1, Saturday, Bag Sale, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 2, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 20805 Middlebelt, Light lunches available.

Tiny Tots Preschool

Taking registrations for fall of 2005 at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Tiny Tots Preschool, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211 for more information. There are still openings for the Monday/Wednesday/Friday afternoon 4-year-old class and Tuesday/Thursday morning and afternoon 3-year-old classes.

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DivorceCare

Series began 7 p.m. Sunday, March 6, class is designed to help you rebuild your life after divorce and recover from the deep hurts it causes. can also give a fresh start to troubled marriages, repair and strengthen them in the library at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 7000 North Sheldon, Canton. Cost is \$15 for 13 weeks. Advance registration preferred so that materials may be ordered. Childcare provided for children through fifth grade for \$15 for all 13 weeks (must register in advance). Call (734) 459-3333.

APRIL

The Tico Family

Singing Filipino missionaries in concert, 7 p.m. Friday, April 1, at Fair Haven Baptist Church, 34850 Marquette south of Ford Road, east of Wayne Road, Westland. No charge. Call (734) 728-4549.

Rummage sale

9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, April 8, and 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 9, in the fellowship hall at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, between Newburgh and Haggerty, Livonia. \$2.00 bag sale on Saturday.

Rummage sale

5-8 p.m. Thursday, May 5, admission \$2 per adult. Big sale, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 6, and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 7, admission free. Saturday everything is half price at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, between Wayne and Newburgh roads, Livonia.

ONGOING

Jesus & Java

Small group informal Bible study continues, 9:30 a.m. Mondays to April 25 (except March 28), at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 422-1470.

Grief workshops

Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring an eight-week grief workshop. From Grief to New Hope began 7-8:45

p.m. Monday, Jan. 31, at the church on Six Mile at Haggerty, Northville. For registration information, call Dorothy at (248) 374-5966. For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support, call (248) 348-0115.

Divorce Recovery Workshop

Bethany Rochester conducts a workshop beginning 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 13, for 11 weeks at St. Irenaeus Catholic Church, 7710 Old Perch Road, Rochester Hills. The workshop is open to the divorced and separated of all faiths. No charge. For more information, call Mike at (248) 652-3860.

Worship services

All are welcome to attend worship services, 10 a.m. Sunday at Church of Our Saviour, Presbyterian, 6655 Middlebelt, West Bloomfield. For more information, call (248) 626-7606.

40-day spiritual study

Based on the book *The Purpose Driven Life* by Rick Warren, those attending will have the opportunity to look at themselves introspectively, four different classes offered, 10:11-30 a.m. and 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays began Feb. 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, beginning Feb. 10, and 7-8 p.m. Sunday, began Feb. 13, at First United Methodist Church of Farmington. A copy of the book is available at the church for \$12 if you don't own a copy. Call (248) 474-6573.

Aerobic class

Trinity Church of the Brethren, 27350 W. Chicago at Inkster, is offering a Women's Low Impact Aerobic Class to the community every Monday and Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the church basement. To participate in this cost-free, 30-minute class, wear comfortable exercise attire (floor mats optional). For more information, call the church office, (313) 937-1199.

Bible studies

Led by C. Jack Brinkman, 8-9 p.m. Thursdays at the Birmingham YMCA, 400 east Lincoln, Brinkman wrote the book *The Word of God: Jesus Christ*. Part of the proceeds from book sales go to the YMCA.

Bible Study for Parents

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

Worship services

All are welcome to attend worship services, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sundays at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Services

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church (1550 Walton, Rochester Hills) will be holding services at the usual time during construction of the addition, 5 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. (contemporary service) on Sunday. Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Enter and exit using the East drive. For more information, call (248) 651-6550.

Worship services

All are welcome to attend worship services at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia, 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. every Sunday. For more information, call (734) 422-1470.

Community Bible study

Studying the Book of Proverbs, break fast, 7 a.m. or Bible study, 8-9 a.m. at the American Table, Eight Mile, Farmington. Come when you can leave when you must. For more information, call (248) 924-2779.

Contemporary service

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

Trinity Episcopal Church

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

Orthodoxy 101

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

Support group

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

New contemporary service

9 a.m. on the last Sunday of the

month at Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia. A group of church members present a short drama on a theme relevant to the season, a church event or current newsworthy situation. For more information, call (734) 422-0494.

Prayer group

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

Women of the Word

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

Worship schedule

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

New modern-style worship

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

New service times

9:15 a.m. and 11 a.m. began Sept. 12 for

the fall and winter months at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 W. 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860.

New Sunday School

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

Adat Shalom

Synagogue services, 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. Saturday, 7:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. weekdays and 8:30 a.m. Sunday at Adat Shalom Synagogue, 29901 Middlebelt, Farmington Hills. For more information, call (248) 851-5100.

Welcome to the church

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Church? Are you already baptized Catholic and have been away from the church? Now is the time to inquire about coming into the church or returning to the community of believers. Call Our Lady of Sorrows at (248) 615-5574 for more information.

Self help groups

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

Addiction No More

Do you have any addictive behavior problems: drugs, alcohol, overeating, gambling, etc.? Come to the meeting, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 202 at Detroit World Outreach, 23800 West Chicago, Redford. For more information, call (313) 255-2222, Ext. 244.

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Wednesday Evening Prayer

7 p.m. Wednesday. This is not a structured service but an open time of praying silently and aloud together as well as responding to personal requests at Nardin Park United Methodist Church, 29887 West 11 Mile, Farmington Hills. Call (248) 476-8860.

Single Point Lighthouse Cafe

Single and feeling alone? Come join us. Single Point Ministries invites you to join more than 550 single adults, 11:30 a.m. Sundays in Knox Hall for fellowship and encouragement. The Rev. Paul Clough delivers messages to help equip you to maximize your singleness and relationship with God. Coffee, doughnuts, conversation and Christ are always present. Single Point Ministries has a program and activity for every age group and life situation. For more information or to receive a newsletter, call (248) 374-5920.

Single Point Walking Club

Meets 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday in the Single Point office at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile, Northville. All fitness levels welcome. Single Point Ministries (ages 30 and up) offers 45 ministries for singles, including Men's Fellowship, Women's Fellowship and PACS People Active in Christian Study) Bible study group. Call (248) 374-5920.

AWANA

Every Wednesday night, Faith Bible Church offers an AWANA program for children from kindergarten through fifth grade at Faith Bible Church, 23414 Orchard Lake Road, Farmington Hills. Drop your children off or stay for a Bible study offered to parents, 7:30-8:30 p.m. For more information, call (248) 426-0096.



DONALD C. BOEGLER

Age 87, March 19, 2005, of Livonia. Dear father of Donald (Mary Ann) Jeffrey (Teresa), Jonathan (Heather) Brent (Eileen) & Donna (Dennis) Grimes. Grandfather of 7. Preceded in death by his wife Doris. A funeral service was held Tuesday, March 22, 2005, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Livonia. Arrangements were by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington, Livonia.

EDWIN J. EUSTICE

Died on March 17, 2005, Resided in Potomac, Maryland, but had previously been a long-time resident of Birmingham, Michigan. Husband of Turry Eustice, father of Bob Eustice and his wife Katherine, grandfather of Scott and Michael Eustice. Mr. Eustice is also survived by his brother, Don Eustice, and his sister, Norma Stevens. Memorial service was held at the Potomac United Methodist Church in Potomac, Maryland. Inurnment will take place at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association National Capital Area Chapter, 11240 Waples Mill Road, Suite 402, Fairfax, Virginia 22030. Please visit and sign the family guestbook at www.pumpfreyfuneralhome.com.

MARY JEAN GUZICK

Age 62, passed away Saturday, March 19, 2005. She was born July 27, 1942, the beloved daughter of Isabel Kims, Dear mother of Kim Bob (Deborah Christensen), Dave (Heather) and Jeff (Sarah Gordon). Loving grandmother of Kara Maddy, Charlie and Ellen. Dear sister of Penny Turner and husband Dave Norman. Kims, Ray Kims and Mary (Brian) Matthews. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Memorial will be held Saturday, March 26th, at 11 a.m. at Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington, 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills.

STEPHEN P. MALONE

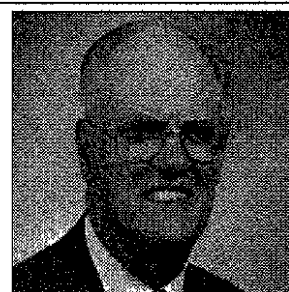
A former General Motors executive died March 21, 2005, in Naples, FL, at the age of 88. He worked as Chief Engineer of the entire Pontiac Motor Division from 1965 until his retirement in 1980. He served as President of the General Motors Retired Executives Club in Naples. Steve is survived by his wife Bernice and his daughter, Jane Gross (Joseph) of Crestview Hills, KY, son Thomas Malone of Phoenix, AZ, granddaughter Toby Fauver of Royal Oak, MI, grandson John Fauver of Cincinnati, OH, step son Robert Dawson (Carole) of Bloomfield Hills, MI, step daughter Kathryn Dawson of Clarkston, MI. He was predeceased by his first wife, Naomi Malone, the mother of his children and by his second wife, Doris Malone. He will be interred at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy, MI. A memorial service will be held in Michigan at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice of Naples, Inc., 1095 Whippoorwill Lane, Naples, FL 34105.

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PHILIP A. MARTZ

Died Thursday, March 17, 2005, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Oakland, due to severe pneumonia. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, on April 28, 1928. Mr. Martz was a lifelong resident of Birmingham, graduating from Baldwin High School and Walsh College. Mr. Martz was an accountant with Pontiac Division of General Motors, retiring in 1987. A veteran of the Korean War, he was also an Officer with Chief Pontiac Federal Credit Union. Memberships include the Senior Men's Club of Birmingham and First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham. Philip was an avid bowler, golfer and poker player. Survivors include his wife, Barbara, for 52 years; children, Jane (Robert) MacNabb of Hazel Park, Debra (the late Ronald)

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Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

Smoker causing a pain

I am living in a condo unit that is next to an extremely heavy smoker and the stench of the smoke is filtering into my residence. I have contacted the Association and they say there is nothing they can do because the city passed the inspection on the insulation between the buildings. I have become sick to my stomach from the smell and want to know what my rights are.

The answer to your question depends in part upon your condominium documents that give co-owners the right to stop another co-owner from causing a nuisance to them. Whether the stench of smoke arises to the level of a nuisance may be a question of fact for a jury to determine. There may also be a question as to whether the insulation in the unit was adequate notwithstanding the fact that it met minimum code requirements. The Association may also have recourse against the co-owner under the remedy provisions of the Bylaws and you may have a separate cause of action against the co-owner for maintaining a nuisance if you can show that the smoke is above normal reasonable levels. You are best advised to consult with an attorney knowledgeable about condominium law.

I hear that Madison, Wis., is one of the best towns in the country and I am going to be moving there, living near the capital building. Are you aware of the housing market in multi-family housing?

If you are going to be living near the capital in Madison, you will find that a number of the older buildings around the capital are being converted to condominiums and, in fact, there is some new construction of condominiums particularly on the lake, although that is in the high end price range. Obviously, developers are thinking that homes in that area are extremely valuable for persons who are going to be needing access to the capital facility as well as the downtown shopping area. Also, I am advised that the Madison real estate market has been steadily rising, notwithstanding recessions in real estate in other parts of the country. So, it may well be a good investment for you. Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track* second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2 shipping and handling. For more information call (248) 644-4433 or visit rmeisner@meisnerassociates.com

Curb appeal



Make your home more attractive to buyers

BY AMANDA KNOLES

Potential buyers form an initial impression of a home within the first 15 seconds. Real estate experts advise sellers to take an objective tour of their home, notebook in hand, and make notes on anything that could be perceived as a negative.

One of the most important steps you can take is to give your home more curb appeal. That means improving the landscaping, painting the exterior, and repairing cracks in driveways and walks. You don't want to lose potential buyers before they even see the inside of your home. Curb appeal is enhanced by making sure the lawn and shrubs are neatly trimmed and by planting a few flowers to give your yard more color. Consider adding additional shrubs, outdoor lighting, a bench, or fountain to make the landscape more interesting.

Make sure the front entrance is clean and inviting. Paint the front door, install a new doorknob, and put out a fresh doormat. A couple of plants, a wreath, or an attractive light fixture can make an entrance much more appealing. You might consider painting the front door a darker color like red or blue, which will attract more attention from the street. Clean all exterior windows and remove debris from gutters, downspouts and trees. Get rid of chipped trim, faded canopies and porch railings that are worn or dated. Stow lawn tools, garden hoses and other equipment in organized racks

in the garage or back yard. Mow the lawn regularly and keep flower beds free of weeds. Dispose of fallen leaves and get rid of any broken or low hanging tree branches near the roof.

Once you've placed the house on the market, begin clearing the garage and closets of clutter. Pack out-of-season clothes in trunks or wardrobe boxes and store in the garage. The idea is to create a roomy feel when potential buyers open closet and cabinet doors.

If you need to repaint interior or exterior walls use neutral colors and window treatments. You don't want buyers to be turned off by bold colors or a decorating scheme that calls attention away from other important features of the home.

Bathrooms should be clean and organized. Place toiletries, hair dryers and miscellaneous items in baskets or plastic containers that can be stored out of sight and retrieved easily when needed. Replace worn shower curtains and bath rugs and make sure faucet work and that toilets are flushing properly.

Clean kitchen counters and stovetop and wipe fingerprints from the refrigerator door, wall outlets, etc. Store small appliances in the pantry or a cupboard. The counters should appear uncluttered but you should leave a few decorative items such as a fruit bowl or colorful jars filled with pasta. Replace worn kitchen towels and potholders with new ones. Attractive placemats, napkin rings and plates on a dining table can give the room a more sophisticated look.

Get your carpets professionally cleaned and wax all wood floors. Replace worn linoleum or tiles in kitchens and bathrooms. Check all doorknobs and cabinet pulls to make sure they are clean and in proper working order. Be vigilant in eliminating dust and any odors from tobacco, mildew, pets or cooking. Organize magazines, toys and sports equipment in baskets, bins and other containers.

Take a tour of model homes in your area to pick up decorating tricks you can use to give your home a look of casual sophistication. Many of the accessories used by decorators are purchased inexpensively at world import stores like Pier One and Cost Plus. For example, a woven basket filled with hand towels, washcloths and scented soaps is more attractive in a bathroom than a plain wall shelf.

You may notice in model homes that small bedrooms frequently have a twin bed pushed against a wall in the corner with decorative pillows taking the place of a headboard. The look is modern and imparts a more spacious feel. Consider placing a beautiful fabric under a glass table. You'll instantly achieve a new look and the glass will keep the fabric clean. Dried flowers can be displayed with leaves, fruit, tree branches and other elements of nature to create beautiful table centerpieces. Visit your florist or a local craft supply store for ideas.

Try to look at your home objectively through a buyer's eyes and listen carefully to any suggestions that your real estate agent advises.

Mortgage Bits



Timothy Phillips

Tough times call for creativity

Some use our sluggish economic recovery as a reason to avoid buying real estate. In the meantime, savvy shoppers are scouring the market for potential bargains. Some find deals while others create them.

There is no shortage of people who would like to own real estate if only the right deal would come along. The operative words, of course, are "the right deal."

The most obvious way to sell a home in any market — especially a slow one — is to make the purchase easy for the broadest range of buyers.

Since most first-time homebuyers, for instance, do not normally have an abundance of cash, offering to cover closing costs is usually a good first step for a motivated seller. To open the buyer floodgates even further, however, sellers can offer to help the buyers with their financing, too.

Seller financing means simply that the buyers borrow at least a part of their purchase money from the sellers. The buyers get the first part of their money — the first mortgage — from a traditional lender and the balance from a different lender — the sellers.

In many cases, this potential "win-win" financing can allow buyers to acquire homes for nearly nothing down. The sellers, in return, can realize a healthy monthly cash flow on the "second mortgage" until the buyers sell, refinance, or pay off the loan.

If you own enough of your \$130,000 home, you could likely sell it for every bit of market value by having the buyers get an 80 percent mortgage and "carrying" the 20 percent balance — say at 12 percent interest for 10 years yourself. In this case, you walk from your sale with \$104,000 and almost \$330 a month positive cash flow. Properly structured and recorded, your investment is secured by the property you just sold.

Today's TIMBIT! Real estate buyers and sellers alike can benefit greatly from the current market conditions, especially if they use a little creative genius. A talented mortgage professional can show you creative ways to convert funding obstacles into opportunities.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. You may access his Wealth Academy archives at www.USWealthAcademy.com or phone him toll free at (866) 369-4516.

BRIEFS

First-time home buyer seminar

Learn how to work with Realtors, sellers and mortgage companies when shopping for your first home. A free seminar is scheduled for 7:00-8:30pm Tuesday, March 29, sponsored by Victory Home Loans, 950 S. Old Woodward Ave. in Birmingham. Space is limited. So call (248) 723-6400 to register. Attend this seminar and your appraisal will be free when you purchase your home.

Sachse hires estimator

Christian Laycock has been hired by Sachse Construction of Birmingham as an estimator. Laycock, who has 10 years of commercial construction experience, had been a senior estimator with MICCO LLC in Pontiac, Mich. A Farmington Hills resident, he holds a bachelor's degree in construction management from Eastern Michigan University.

CAM promotion announced

The Construction Association of Michigan (CAM) announced that Wendy Hofert has been promoted to the position of marketing representative. Hofert, a graduate of Wichita State University in Kansas, will be responsible for marketing CAM expositions, membership in the association, Construction Project News and listings in the industry's most well known

directory the CAM Buyers Guide

Chene new top Stager
The Great Lakes chapter of the International Association of Home Staging Professionals has named Deborah Chene as its president. Chene is the president/owner of Staging Impressions of Farmington Hills. The appointment was made by Great Lakes chapter founder Shelley Wagner and organization founder Barb Schwarz.

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Consider the advantages of purchasing whole-home air cleaner

(NUI) - Millions of people buy portable air cleaners to improve their health, remove harmful particles from the air and maintain a clean home. But consumer research shows that portable air cleaners also have some drawbacks. Some people complain that the air cleaners make too much

noise. Others say the units are unsightly, expensive to maintain and take up too much space. An alternative for those who want to have clean air in every room of the house is a whole-home air cleaner that attaches to the heating and cooling system and is installed by a professional contractor. A whole-home air cleaner reduces all airborne contaminants such as dust, pollen and bacteria. Recent reports show that these irritants, not germs, may be responsible for chronic colds. Some homeowners prefer a whole-home air cleaner versus a portable air cleaner when

comparing performance, installation and maintenance factors and overall cost. A whole-home air cleaner costs around \$400 for the first year and about \$40 thereafter. The initial price includes the unit, filter and professional installation. The equipment is located in the utility room, where it does not detract from the

home's aesthetic appeal. Typically, a whole-home air cleaner requires maintenance just once a year. Conversely, in the first year alone, a homeowner with four portable units serving about 500 square feet of space would spend nearly \$2,500 for the cleaners, filters and electricity. Plus, the units are placed

throughout the house and distract from a room's decor. Portable air cleaners also have to be cleaned regularly and their filters need to be changed four times a year. In terms of energy costs, people who choose portable units can expect to pay up to \$220 in annual costs.

Featured HOMES OF THE WEEK

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Canton - Curtis built 2 story w/3 bedrooms 2.5 baths and first floor laundry Gas fireplace in living room full basement 2 car attached garage stove & frig stay Master suite has walk in closet & bath Morgan Creek is a newer sub of only 88 units w/a 20 acre nature preserve \$222,000 (63CDN)



Dearborn - Very clean 2 family colonial 2 bedrooms 1 bath LR DR kitchen in lower unit 1 bedroom 1 bath living room in upper unit Upper unit rents for \$500 lower unit rents for \$600 1.5 car garage rents for \$40 per month Newer furnace windows & driveway 2 HWH's large covered porch \$149,900 (31COL)



Farmington Hills - Enjoy the quality of Blake Anthony builders Granite counters in kitchen & bath maple cabinets w/ cherry finish Hardwood floors in foyer kitchen and nook Beautiful custom wood trims hard carved mahogany top walkout bsmt 2 car garage & more! \$339,000 (32GIL)



Livonia - Very clean 3 bedroom ranch with immediate occupancy! Covered ceilings in living room dining nook off living room C/A newer HWH shingles on Florida room & garage Vinyl double clad windows & pull down stairs for extra storage appliances stay \$159,900 (66GRO)



Livonia - Affordable downtown Livonia condo! You can walk to rec center from this very contemporary home Truly move in condition Spacious living room and dining room w/large picture window newer carpet basement carport pool \$69,899 (75HUB)



Livonia - Beautiful 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick tri level on a large lot within a premier sub New hardwood floors in LR & DR C/A 2 car garage new roof with extra vents newer carpet and windows Custom wood shutters and fireplace in the lower level \$229,900 (24ELL)



Novi - 4 bedroom colonial in great area of Novi 2 baths 2 lavs large master suite w/cathedral ceilings and skylights 2nd floor laundry finished basement fireplace C/A, 2 car attached garage great corner lot Newer windows doorwall roof shingles HWH \$324,900 (95JAM)



Southfield - Beautiful 2 bedroom corner townhome 2.5 baths large living room w/a dining area Spacious kitchen w/new maple cabinets and electric appliances Large walk in closets in both bedrooms and a private 2 car garage study/den on low level sprinklers \$229,900 (63SAJ)



Taylor - Over 1500 sq ft ranch with 3 bedrooms Living room family room & newer kitchen Master bedroom has walk in closet roof shingles only 5 years old 2 story heated shed newer HWH Fenced yard patio some appliances stay Very clean home! \$136,900 (90LIN)



Westland - Cute and clean 3 bed ranch w/Livonia Schools Finished basement open kitchen w/eat in dining room C/A doorwall that leads to 16 x16 deck Andersen windows 2 car garage lots of perennials planted all around the home \$162,900 (39FRE)

HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of Nov 8-12 2004 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

City	Address	Sales Price
Canton	1405 Aberdeen	\$204,000
Canton	47979 Cardiff	\$152,000
Canton	49204 Castleside	\$139,000
Canton	7910 Charrington	\$247,000
Canton	50268 Colonial	\$55,000
Canton	1612 Commodore	\$225,000
Canton	6108 Courtland	\$248,000
Canton	44803 Danbury	\$333,000
Canton	8760 Eastham	\$430,000
Canton	44748 Glengarry	\$345,000
Canton	42149 Hartford	\$247,000
Canton	49829 Jackson	\$98,000
Canton	1641 Lasalle	\$170,000
Canton	549 Manhatten	\$480,000
Canton	543 Mck nley	\$73,000
Canton	2041 N Arbor	\$129,000
Canton	6050 N Beck	\$215,000
Canton	40971 N Maplewood	\$194,000
Canton	41021 N Maplewood	\$84,000
Canton	41031 N Maplewood	\$185,000
Canton	41041 N Maplewood	\$207,000
Canton	41361 N Maplewood	\$216,000
Canton	45421 N Stonewood	\$190,000
Canton	8355 Orhan	\$190,000
Canton	1034 Paddington	\$254,000
Canton	2137 Pincroft	\$183,000
Canton	531 Roosevelt	\$103,000
Canton	1591 Rustic Ridge	\$191,000
Canton	47569 Scenic	\$235,000
Canton	39782 Wales	\$188,000
Garden City	5645 Wedgewood	\$197,000
Garden City	6940 Deer ng	\$66,000
Garden City	31727 Elmwood	\$155,000
Garden City	28910 Florence	\$138,000
Garden City	103 G iman	\$125,000
Garden City	29744 Rosslyn	\$153,000
Livonia	28720 Bayberry	\$225,000
Livonia	33960 Fairfax	\$282,000
Livonia	11760 Farm ngton	\$180,000
Livonia	11768 Farmington	\$176,000
Livonia	11772 Farmington	\$183,000
Livonia	16936 Farm ngton	\$208,000
Livonia	9848 Flamingo	\$176,000
Livonia	11660 Flam ngo	\$179,000
Livonia	16147 Henry Ruff	\$148,000
Livonia	9124 Hubbard	\$214,000
Livonia	34762 Navin	\$384,000
Livonia	32722 Ohio	\$190,000
Livonia	19432 Parkville	\$235,000
Livonia	39115 Plymouth	\$352,000
Livonia	18860 Purlingbrook	\$190,000
Livonia	14033 Riga	\$208,000
Livonia	15146 Rivers de	\$294,000
Livonia	35347 Scone	\$255,000
Livonia	28678 Sunnydale	\$225,000
Livonia	18340 Unvers ty Park	\$152,000
Livonia	19480 Weyher	\$166,000
Livonia	16754 Whitby	\$231,000
Livonia	19000 Woodring	\$235,000
Plymouth	555 Byron	\$195,000
Plymouth	770 Deer	\$161,000
Plymouth	44443 Erik	\$217,000
Plymouth	9610 Gold Arbor	\$204,000
Plymouth	9323 Morrison	\$255,000
Redford	12480 P ncrest	\$211,000
Redford	303 Pinewood	\$127,000
Redford	11907 R vers de	\$254,000
Redford	1134 S Harvey	\$190,000
Redford	1472 W Ann Arbor	\$370,000
Redford	9063 Woodgrove	\$420,000
Redford	9220 Beech Daly	\$126,000
Redford	19999 Beech Daly	\$90,000
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Redford	20329 Gaylord	\$136,000
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Redford	14022 Royal Grand	\$182,000
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Redford	17202 Wakenden	\$122,000
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Redford	20427 Woodworth	\$175,000
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Westland	6451 Deerhurst	\$155,000
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- Consider the size. Most people make their patios too small. The average patio is 150 square feet. To

get an idea of the size and space, place furniture, a grill and your kids' toys in the proposed area and outline the area with a garden hose.

- Decide on the shape. Rectangular and linear patios are considered more formal. A curved patio allows you to bring planting beds into the space, adding inter-

est by creating depth and dimension.

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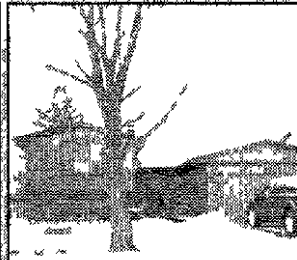

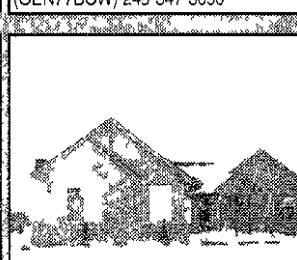
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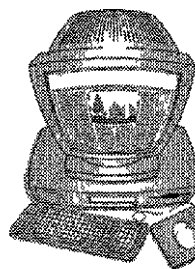
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<p>OPEN SATURDAY 1-4 PM</p> <p>30551 Birchwood S of Cherry Hill, E of Merriman</p> <p>WESTLAND Recently Remodeled Brnk Ranch Remodeled kitchen & bath re finished hardwood floors newer roof windows cement plumbing & elec service all offered in this 3 bedroom 1 5 bath home w/2 car garage & finished basement</p> <p>(E51BIR) 734-455-5600 \$139,900</p>	<p>ALLEN PARK An Exceptional Value This 4 bedroom 3 bath colonial offers open floor plan hardwood floors ceramic baths LR w/bay window gas fireplace DR & storage galore F n shed basement 2 car attached garage inground pool numerous updates</p> <p>(E10BEV) 734-455-5600 \$274,500</p>	<p>PLYMOUTH Move Right In! Excellent location n Plymouth This 2 bedroom condo has newer carpet kitchen cabinets dining room flooring and windows n living room Large private basement and more</p> <p>(E99SHE) 734-455-5600 \$89,900</p>	<p>ORCHARD LAKE House On 2 Sports Lakes Enjoy Orchard & Upper Straits Lakes Awesome 2+ acre property with huge deck gazebo paths & nature 6 bedrooms 3 5 baths 2 fireplaces cath ceilings huge dining room & office Its a one of a kind</p> <p>(E47OLD) 248-349-5600 \$1,875,000</p>	<p>NORTHVILLE A Rare Opportunity In town location hilltop wooded setting acreage beautiful views and peace shared only with the flora and fauna This residence a ranch with a walkout with absolute charm and potential</p> <p>(E87CAL) 248-349-5600 \$649,000</p>
<p>NOVI Well Maintained Condo 2 or possible 3 bedroom 3 bath w/basement fireplace in GR Newer water heater & humidifier Neutral decor & vaulted ceiling in GR Attached garage private setting in the back facing woods on golf course Pool/clubhouse</p> <p>(E81WAV) 734-455-5600 \$197,500</p>	<p>DETROIT Impeccable Ranch This 3 bedroom ranch home features hardwood floors C/A & water purifier Partially finished basement 2 car garage & kitchen appliances This is a real beautiful home</p> <p>(E95PAT) 734-455-5600 \$124,000</p>	<p>MELVINDALE Fantastic Buy On this sharp 2 unit brick income property Both units identical w/2 bedrooms living room dining room kitchen & bath Separate basements w/separate furnaces Nice sized fenced yard</p> <p>(E81WOC) 734-455-5600 \$138,000</p>	<p>GARDEN CITY Mechanics Dream Wonderful 3 BR ranch w/fin shed LL with full bath Newer carpet windows roof & furnace 94 Copper plumbing updated electrical & glass block windows Close to schools All appliances Steel entry doors</p> <p>(E81FLO) 248-349-5600 \$149,900</p>	<p>WESTLAND Rare Quail Run Condo This one is move in ready Neutral colors throughout 3 bedrooms light oak hardwood floors in foyer & kitchen Master bedroom with vaulted ceiling double closets and master bath</p> <p>(E57QUA) 248-349-5600 \$179,500</p>
<p>WESTLAND Super Home Sharp 3 bedroom ranch w/2 car garage basement huge family room w/gas fireplace hardwood floors in living room & bedroom Many updates include roof gutters C/A & furnace All applis stay Home Warranty</p> <p>(E89GIL) 586-778-8100 \$162,900</p>	<p>LINCOLN PARK Move Right In! 1 5 story 3 bedroom 2 5 car garage large lot updated kitchen & bath Updated siding roof furnace C/A copper plumbing breakers newer carpet T/O Garage built in 1981 Freshly painted</p> <p>(E77KEP) 734-455-5600 \$115,000</p>	<p>VAN BUREN Awesome Cape Cod Elegance from the front door to the back yard presenting 4 bedrooms 2 5 baths 2 car attached garage basement ready for your custom finishing DR FR w/replace & library Built in 2001 & ready for you</p> <p>(E32WAL) 734-455-5600 \$299,999</p>	<p>DEARBORN HGTS Spacious Colonial 3 bedrooms covered front porch homey decor Updates include newer roof oak kitchen cabinets bath floor & more Hardwood floors T/O formal living room & dining room Deep backyard w/shed C/A FF</p> <p>(E03NEW) 248-349-5600 \$95,000</p>	<p>NORTHVILLE Ranch Condo Beautiful end unit 2 bedroom ranch ground level condo w/cathedral ceilings Private location with attached garage Open floor plan Central air & easy living Community pool tennis courts & huge clubhouse more</p> <p>(E77ONA) 248-349-5600 \$127,500</p>
<p>NOVI South Pointe Condo Adult comm 50+ offers 2 bedrooms 2 baths updated across Walled Lake w/private beach & gazebo Ground level intercom & secured lobby Community room for entertaining & planned activities All appliances</p> <p>(E27SOU) 734-455-5600 \$134,900</p>	<p>ROMULUS Move Right In! Spacious 3 bedroom 2 bath colonial w/many updates and wide lot Newer furnace roof windows carpet 2 car attached garage unfinished basement fenced yard All appliances included</p> <p>(E99DEL) 734-455-5600 \$169,825</p>	<p>WESTLAND Fabulous Yet Casual 3 bedroom 1 5 bath ranch w/2 car attached garage finished basement w/walk out master bedroom w/WIC open floor plan large oak kitchen w/garden window oak vanity n both baths cathedral ceilings</p> <p>(E80NEL) 734-455-5600 \$179,000</p>	<p>REDFORD Welcome 3 bedroom bungalow on double lot Newer windows C/A & furnace Updated kitchen w/doorwall to newer deck newer above ground pool Updated lighting 2 car attached garage Walk to schools</p> <p>(E78IND) 248-349-5600 \$144,900</p>	<p>NOVI Novi For Under \$125,000 Priced to sell Clean well maintained 2 story townhome 2 bedrooms 1 5 baths with private entrance and garage lot 2 in back Updated kitchen newer windows T/O newer carpet newer front door</p> <p>(E84OLD) 248-349-5600 \$119,900</p>
<p>INSTER Absolutely Stunning Nicely remodeled w/awesome oak kitchen & 3 bedroom bungalow Finished basement garage cozy front porch Come see it today Tomorrow means sold</p> <p>(E32WES) 734-455-5600 \$95,000</p>	<p>SOUTHGATE Charming End Unit This 2 bedroom ranch condo offers vinyl windows circuit breakers neutral carpet throughout & Armstrong floor in kitchen w/Merrill cabinets & double S S sink & all appliances Newer roof in 2003</p> <p>(E50HOL) 734-455-5600 \$99,975</p>	<p>SHELBY TWP Outstanding Open Floor Plan Spacious 3 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial on large premium partially wooded lot presents 2 story GR w/wr/c lg kit w/ward 2 car attached garage partially fin bsmt doorwall to lg deck & stamped concrete</p> <p>(E79STR) 734-455-5600 \$299,500</p>	<p>LIVONIA Super Sharp Ranch Beautifully decorated & immaculately clean home with a huge fenced in yard Home boasts hardwood floors covered ceilings custom window treatments newer bath large updated kitchen newer windows and roof</p> <p>(E91FLO) 248-349-5600 \$139,900</p>	<p>DEARBORN End Unit Condo Over 55+ 1 bedroom w/screened in balcony kitchen with pantry & living room Association fee covers taxes & utilities Main floor has library game room workshop & storage Each floor has big laundry room</p> <p>(E00MOR) 248-349-5600 \$78,900</p>
<p>CANTON Pride of Ownership 3 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial w/updates T/O offers GR w/replace master bedroom w/tray ceiling master bath & WIC 2 doorwalls to brick paver patio sprinkler & invisible fence Full basement plumbed for bath</p> <p>(E89NOR) 734-455-5600 \$307,500</p>	<p>GROSSE ILE In A Choice Neighborhood 3 bedroom 2 5 bath rambling brick ranch w/2 car attached garage basement formal DR library w/bay window vaulted ceiling in GR w/replace 1st floor laundry oak kit w/appls + 4 season sun room</p> <p>(E3GLAS) 734-455-5600 \$449,900</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS Newer Quality Built 1 5 story brick home on approx 1 acre wooded park like lot w/pond Vaulted ceilings & FF MBR ste w/jetted tub & shower FR w/wr/c & spacious LR/DR cust center island kit deck w/hot tub & full W/O bsmt</p> <p>(E00WES) 248-349-5600 \$425,900</p>	<p>SOUTH LYON Great Home Clean 2 BR 1 5 BA ranch on double lot Third s included 2 car detached garage heated porch & deck overlooking wooded yard Some updates newer carpet and kitchen floor Appliances stay Take a look</p> <p>(E38DON) 248-349-5600 \$164,900</p>	<p>LIVONIA Designer Perfect Condo Updated 2 BR townhome recently redecorated T/O Updates include newer paint carpet & refinished HW frs in DR & 1 BR Newer furn, humidifier & C/A Kit updates newer fir & counters All appliances Fin bsmt</p> <p>(E08MID) 248-349-5600 \$99,900</p>
<p>Elegance At Its Best Enter into a gallery foyer leading to stately music conservatory luxurious master suite executive kitchen w/volume oak lined crown molding granite T/O Hardwood floors 5 BR 4 2 BA custom LL walk out</p> <p>(E04CLA) 734-455-5600 \$1,195,000</p>	<p>REDFORD Cozy Home On Double Lot 3 bedroom 2 bath bungalow w/2 car garage attached by breezeway finished basement w/2nd kitchen & bath Newer roof roof windows kitchen & carpet</p> <p>(E18BRA) 734-455-5600 \$113,900</p>	<p>WEST BLOOMFIELD Spacious Colonial 4 bedroom 3 5 bath home on wooded lot w/3 car garage Finished basement w/full bath entertaining area wet bar & fireplace Hardwood floors spacious family room Walled Lake Schools Great value</p> <p>(E89WAT) 248-349-5600 \$539,900</p>	<p>NORTHVILLE Custom Cape Cod Beautiful home w/master suite on 1st fl Dual stars to upstairs Private baths for all BRs Finished W/O LL workout room bar 2nd kitchen laundry rec room all opens to incredible yard w/in ground pool</p> <p>(E67CRA) 248-349-5600 \$999,999</p>	<p>NORTHVILLE Links Of Northville Condo Beautiful neutral decor w/2 BR suites w/bath & WIC Granite kitchen counters 2 car garage full basement with carport Clean & neutral Perfect for quick occupancy Upgrades & extras T/O Pool & clubhouse</p> <p>(E29LOC) 248-349-5600 \$309,000</p>
<p>WESTLAND Delightful Clean Condo Remodeled kitchen & bath highlight this wonderful 2 bedroom home Located in back of complex Offers large living room separate dining room & separate laundry room Livonia Schools</p> <p>(E15MAN) 734-455-5600 \$95,000</p>	<p>PLYMOUTH Beautiful Country Home 5 bedroom 3 full & 1 5 bath 19th century colonial on approximately 2 9 acres Great master bedroom hardwood floors country kitchen & formal dining room Pond deck & gazebo A must see!</p> <p>(E66HOM) 734-455-5600 \$519,900</p>	<p>WESTLAND Super Location 3 bedroom 1 5 bath brick home in popular Toniquish Sub Quick occupancy Check out the large & open floor plan w/formal DR LR FR & nice sized kitchen Walk out lower level to fenced yard & garage</p> <p>(E87TON) 248-349-5600 \$149,900</p>	<p>NOVI Get Ready For Summer Fun 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial w/large open kitchen w/Pergo Stone fireplace in FR Two car attached garage Appliances included Security system in ground pool finished basement C/A & Northville schls 1 yr warr</p> <p>(E71COL) 248-349-5600 \$489,000</p>	<p>SOUTH LYON Upper End Unit Beautiful 2 BR 2 BA ranch unit w/vaulted ceilings in the LR & DR in unit laundry updated kitchen enclosed balcony den MBR ste w/BA WIC & more Motivated seller is offering to pay \$2 000 of buyer's closing costs</p> <p>(E94GRE) 248-349-5600 \$122,900</p>
<p>CANTON Central Park South Offers this stunning colonial w/4 bedrooms & 2 5 baths Breathtaking 2 story foyer hardwood floors T/O upgrade kitchen cabinets & pantry cath ceiling in GR & master suite + basement & 3 car attached garage</p> <p>(E75GRE) 734-455-5600 \$319,900</p>	<p>GARDEN CITY Bright, Airy Cape Cod Detached condo Outstanding price Unbelievable quality w/a nice open floor plan spacious oak foyer large GR formal dining vaulted ceilings 1st floor laundry 2 car att gar basement & FREE A/C & gas fric</p> <p>(E23BR) 734-455-5600 \$189,900</p>	<p>LIVONIA Location! Location! Exceptional lot on cul de sac Newer wood floors 5 bath lead glass entry door doorwall roof tear off gutters kitchen floor & counters Huge FF laundry lg MBR ste WIC & full BA Bsmt w/glass block Lg deck</p> <p>(E53SHE) 248-349-5600 \$339,900</p>	<p>FARMINGTON HILLS Well Kept Beauty 4 BR 2 5 BA colonial Great spec T/O w/extra closet space Newer hot water heater & furn Roof tear off in 2004 Exterior recently painted MBR has bonus room & WIC Original hwdwd under carpets T/O most of home</p> <p>(E31CLU) 248-349-5600 \$339,900</p>	<p>NOVI The Best In The West Convenient location to x way & shopping! Awesome 2 BR ranch condo only att by garage Everything's been done maple kit bath HW floors furnace windows Lots of storage Open floor plan w/vaulted ceiling</p> <p>(E10GLE) 248-349-5600 \$129,900</p>
<p>CANTON Gorgeous Colonial Beautiful curb appeal 1st owner Very clean open floor plan 4 bedrooms 3 5 baths office LR/DR FF laundry prof finished LL w/full kitchen loads of storage 3 car garage lg stamped concrete patio many upgrades</p> <p>(E18KIM) 734-455-5600 \$329,000</p>	<p>PLYMOUTH Private Treed Interior Lot In Ridgewood Hills! Full front porch hwdwd floors in LR DR kit & lib Kitchen new 03 w/cor an counter & sink cherry cabinets formal DR w/newer Andersen bay window FR w/wr/c 2 tiered deck basement & 2 5 car att gar</p> <p>(E86WOC) 734-455-5600 \$361,500</p>	<p>COMMERCE TWP Model Home Can Be Yours Now for sale n Mystic Forest 2 story foyer lots of ceramic hardwoods & 2 fireplaces Huge daylight basement oversize 3 car garage sprinkler deck landscaping and much much more</p> <p>(E87PHI) 248-349-5600 \$499,900</p>	<p>CANTON Ideal Cul-De-Sac Location Picture perfect colonial w/updates including roof windows kitchen w/granite counters extensive crown moldings Nestled deep n sub w/cul de sac location Gorgeous fenced yard w/deck and garden pond</p> <p>(E10CHE) 248-349-5600 \$244,900</p>	<p>NOVI Pottery Barn Perfect! Spacious updated home Numerous updates included Ceramic entry HW frs carpet fresh paint Profes tie LL w/FR W/P & office Large LR w/wr/c Never blinds T/O High ceilings Tennis pool & pond</p> <p>(E02CRO) 248-349-5600 \$154,900</p>

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PLYMOUTH 248-348-6430
REFLECTIONS OF YOUR GOOD TASTE! Impressive 4 BR 3 5 BA Flr to ceiling wndws Gourmet kit w/lg island Huge mstr ste w/2 WICs & 15x12 bath Insulated 3 car gar 349-6200 (25026331) \$550 000



NOVI 248-348-6430
DELIGHTFUL & CHARMING CAPE COD Excellent condition New siding cozy kit formal DR impressive GR 1st flr mstr w/cathedral ceiling prvt bath nice deck & ready to move in 349-6200 (25015882) \$410 000



LIVONIA 734-591-9200
Winding brk paver pathways flow thru a wooded 1/2 acre that surrounds this 2000 sq ft ranch w/3 BRs, 2 5 BAs hdwd flr rec rm granite & tile accents A must see! (25003630) \$400 000



PLYMOUTH 734-455-7000
SUPERB VIEWING BRINGS PAINTINGS INSIDE Rolling meadows willow ringed pond & abundant greenery wrap this ingenious 3 BR 3 1/2 BA condo in grace & serenity (23C48104) \$254 900



NOVI 248-349-6200
A HOME FOR ALL SEASONS NESTLED IN TREES 2000 sqft w/updated kit roof siding wndws & more! Mstr bath hdwd flrs frplc, deck & fenced yard All this on 3/4 acres! 348-6430 (25011359) \$247 500



NOVI 248-348-6430
REMODELED RANCH Pretty as a picture wonderful lot overlooks wetlands new sparkling kit formal LR w/bow window lg FR nice Florida room bsmt & fenced yard w/patio 349-6200 (25021352) \$239 900



LIVONIA 248-348-6430
GREAT LOCATION IN FAMILY SUB Traditional Colonial w/3 lg BRs 1 5 baths Lg FR w/gas frplc Newer crptng and roof Formal dining room Part fin bsmt Home warranty 349-6200 (25026543) \$230,000



GARDEN CITY 734-326-2000
IN THE CITY BUT OUT OF THIS WORLD is this 4 BR 2 bath Colonial w/remold dream kit w/island counter & built-ins fireplace, 2 full baths MBR w/shower & jetted tub att 2 car gar, AG pool (B314) \$229 900



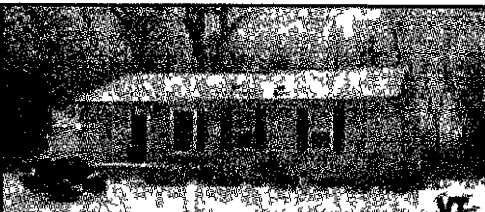
PLYMOUTH 734-455-7000
Fabulous Barberr Unit! 2-story ceiling makes this LR inviting FR w/adj powder rm Can be bit as 3rd BR Avail upgrades Ext Indspng sprnklr sys lawn main & snow remov Prime location (23A1205) \$210 900



HIGHLAND 248-348-6430
A REAL FIND! Great 2 story w/open floor plan FR w/frplc 3 BRs fin d bsmt spacious kit lg deck for entertaining nice yard & landscaping Convenient location 349-6200 (24143086) \$210 000



DEARBORN HEIGHTS 734-591-9200
North Dearborn Heights Ranch 1680 sq ft. This place has the best view in Dearborn Heights Spectacular ravine setting w/golf course on other side Lrg rear wndw really bring view inside (25026226) \$189,900



LIVONIA 734-591-9200
Super cute & updated ranch with 1/2 acre lot in Livonia Livonia schools 3 BR/ 2 Full BA 1240 sq ft New kit Updts incld roof wndws elec BA great deck! All appls incld w/rldng mower too (25023974) \$174 900



WYANDOTTE 734-326-2000
BRICK BUNGALOW Absolutely stupendous! No stone left unturned This 3 BR 1 1/2 bath home is fabulous Brand new custom kitchen & bath new windows roof vinyl etc etc (D153) \$169 900



ALLEN PARK 734-591-9200
You'll be impressed once you walk into this updated t/o hm Gorgeous gourmet kit! Open flr plan Newer vinyl wndws furn elec C/A shingles MBR w/built in jetted tub & more! (25024131) \$153 899



NOVI 248-348-6430
ONE OF OLDE ORCHARDS BEST LOCATIONS 2 lg BRs 1 1 BAs Beautiful fenced patio Updated kit lav flooring & more Includes stove refig dishwasher washer & dryer 349-6200 (25009810) \$139,900



WESTLAND 734-326-2000
GREAT BEGINNINGS START HERE Clean and roomy 2 BR condo w/finished basement 2 car attached gar w/opener workshop storage Appliances stay Clubhouse pool plus Livonia schools (C374) \$134 900



REDFORD 734-591-9200
A very neat & charming brick bungalow updated kitchen bath elect plmbng roof newer carpet ht wtr tank entry doors Beautiful hdwd flrs & a home warranty South Redford schools (25029494) \$131 500



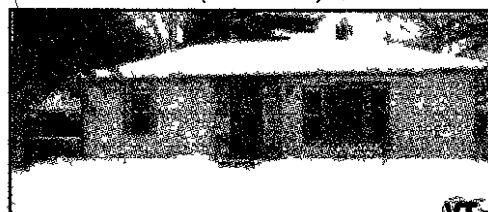
DEARBORN 734-591-9200
Great starter home in a great neighborhood 3 BRs 2 full baths formal DR Fin bsmt with bug rec rm full BA & possible kit Lots of storage 1 5 car gar (25020669) \$129 900



DEARBORN 734-455-7000
GREAT STARTER Over 1000 sqft, 3 BR refurbished hdwd flrs Many improvements Move-in w/o fixing anything Fla rm at back of large 2 car gar Make Offer! (23C24629) \$128 900



INKSTER 734-591-9200
Brick bungalow w/4 bedrooms, bright kitchen leading to deck 2 car oversize garage Bsmt newer roof & A/C A very nice home Some appliances stay (25028595) \$128 500



LIVONIA 734-591-9200
Large country lot 45 acre holds this 2-BR updated ranch Kit bath windows roof furn & air within last 6 years Great neighborhood (25023369) \$125 000



REDFORD 734-455-7000
NICE RANCH 4 BR new roof & kitchen floor Many updates Huge fenced yard Move right in (23119170) \$104 900



INKSTER 734-326-2000
AMAZING BUY is this brick ranch with full finished basement & garage Remodeled kitchen with oak cabinets Hardwood floors remodeled bath (B110) \$89 900

BELLEVILLE 734-591-9200
END UNIT Freshly painted window treatment & all appls Kit w/oak cabs lrg mstr ste w/WIC covered patio & near Belleville Lk (24132779) \$119 900

FARMINGTON HILLS 248-348-6430
CLEAN AND COZY 3 BR brick front ranch Updated w/newer windows kit cabs and vinyl siding 349-6200 (25006667) \$154 900

NOVI 248-348-6430
Immaculate condo Beautiful LR DR kit 2 main level BRs & 2 BRs upstairs 4 baths fin d bsmt & close to new Catholic Central HS 349-6200 (24093346) \$329 900

ROMULUS 734-455-7000
Spacious tri-level w/huge backyard that is completely fenced 1 5 BA part fin bsmt & newer kit cabs Hurry! (24115210) \$135 900

CANTON 734-455-7000
TANTALIZING TOTTENHAM! 4 BR, 2 5 BA 2983 SF Hampton model Lndscp sprinkler paver patio Huge mstr ste & bath Quick close (23G2588) 24121044 \$394 999

GARDEN CITY 734-326-2000
OVERSIZED LOT & OVERSIZED GARAGE Highlight this 3 BR vinyl Cape Cod with fireplace & basement (J295) 24156638 \$158 900

NOVI 248-348-6430
SUPER SHARP PRIVATE END UNIT CONDO Lovely 3 BR 2 5 bath condo Freshly painted new carpet furnace & A/C Comfortable warm & cozy LR w/frplc charming kit & brkfst area & delightful patio 349-6200 (25014703) \$182 500

SOUTH LYON 248-348-6430
W/O UNIT & LAKE ACCESS Privacy & beauty in end unit w/Fla rm FR fpic direct gar access 2 BR 2 BA & appls Overlooks trees in 55+ co-op Beach and clubhouse 349-6200 (24124573) \$138,000

DEARBORN 734-591-9200
Fabulous Fairlane Woods Townhouse 3 BR 3 BA MBR w/vtd clngs & FP Updated T/O Granite cnts & new cabs in kit & BAs Fin bsmt w/full BA 2 car gar (25015185) \$299 900

HAMBURG 734-455-7000
Super maintained brick Colonial on superb 1 acre lot 4 BR 2 5 BA deep bsmt 3 car gar patio Terrific mstr ste (23O7807) \$404 900

PLYMOUTH 734-591-9200
Totally updated ranch Spacious eat-in kitchen Neutral colors Ceramic tile & jet tub in bath New berber crpt Fin bsmt w/an extra room Large tree lined lot and much more! (25013288) \$209 900

TAYLOR 734-455-7000
Well maintained 2 BR ranch unit Quiet private interior location Spacious lower level family room Motivated seller will assist w/buyer costs (23K22231) 24154029 \$124 000

DEARBORN 734-455-7000
DUPLEX Offering a 2 car gar for both sides, bsmt 2 BRs up & lots of character One side offers C/A Well cared for brick bldg w/updates (23F4571) 24150506 \$192 000

LIVONIA 734-591-9200
New construction-4 BR, 2 5 BA Colonial has 2421 sqft bsmt & 2 car att gar Cerm tile in BAs cherry cabs & birch flr in kit nook 1/2 BA foyer strcse Curtis Creek (24023356) \$359 900

PLYMOUTH 734-455-7000
The "Arbor" has an open flr plan Fin lower lv rec rm next to laundry & powder rm Townhome comm will feature lndscpg sprnklr sys lawn main/snow remov Low asso fees (23A1205) \$184 900

WESTLAND 734-326-2000
WELL MAINTAINED RANCH You will love this great neighborhood! Finished bsmt w/4th bedroom & recreation area Newer windows including bay in living room Home warranty available (A385) 25027648 \$169 900

DEARBORN 734-326-2000
COMPACT & CUTE 3 Bedroom bungalow w/formal DR gar newer windows & roof shingles hdwd flrs kit appls stay (K642) 24126078 \$109 900

LIVONIA 734-591-9200
Beautifully decorated & loaded w/updates 3 BRs 1 5 baths New kitchen w/hickory cabs 03 New windows 00 A/C & furnace 00 Roof 02 Siding trim gutters 02 (25013334) \$214 900

PLYMOUTH 248-348-6430
Contemporary flair Spacious condol Vaulted ceilings sky-lights 2 car gar 2 BRs 2 5 BAs fireplace 349-6200 (24043061) \$175 900

WESTLAND 734-591-9200
Cute 3 BR 1 5 bath with open floor plan Walkout from family room to backyard Full bsmt & 2 car garage Walking distance to parks and schools (250262975) \$162 900

DEARBORN HEIGHTS 248-348-6430
3 BR/2 BA UPDATED RANCH Newer BAs \$6 000 in new windows perfect hdwd flrs Kitchen & bath to basement, investment potential! All appliances stay 349-6200 (24133837) \$144 900

LIVONIA 734-591-9200
Lrg private backyard! Outstanding ranch Fin bsmt w/office/possible 4th BR Fla Rm tear off roof 03 updated elec & appls (25022268) \$189 900

REDFORD 734-591-9200
Great main & upstairs floors fin d bsmt loaded w/updates This 1246 sq ft house has a place for everyone in the family (24120771) \$139 900

WESTLAND 734-326-2000
UPDATES GALORE Kitchen Bath Furnace A/C Appliances siding windows & carpeting are all less than four years old Huge lot close to 1/2 acre This is a must see! (J474) 24129007 \$119,900

DEARBORN HEIGHTS 248-348-6430
UPDATED RANCH Well cared for 3 BR/1 5 BA home w/hatl frplc Newer roof gutters bath oak kit cab Refin d hdwd flrs fin bsmt w/lav 2 5 car gar & fenced yard 349-6200 (24155688) \$124 900

NORTHVILLE 734-591-9200
Country Living on 2 74 Wooded Acres Gorgeous custom blt 4 BR 3 5 BA 3 FP gourmet kit w/42 cherry cabs granite cnts tops T/O Cherry flrs in DR & study Lrg mstr w/sep shower & Whirlpool (24149833) \$679 000

REDFORD 734-326-2000
3 bedroom all brick ranch New vinyl windows HWH High eff furnace part finished basement w/glass block windows Hardwood floors Hurry! (S204) 25021530 \$125 000

WHITMORE LAKE 734-455-7000
BEAUTIFUL BUILDER S MODEL HOME Backs to golf course Quiet country living Many upgrades in this open flr plan Custom wall coverings & wndw treatments Fully lndscpd mldng irrigation system (23T7995) 24146609 \$298 500

DETROIT 734-326-2000
GORGEOUS BRICK TUDOR! 4 BR 2 full baths w/lots of updates Newer high eff furn wndws newer roof vinyl windows 2 frpls screened sun porch & hot tub (P171) PC217176 \$179 900

NORTHVILLE 248-348-6430
WALK TO TOWN FROM THIS NORTHVILLE HOME Charming home w/updates galore 3 BRs 2 baths Hdwd flrs newer wndws granite cnts Mstr bath w/spa tub and separate shower Heavily treed private yard 349 6200 (25003322) \$310 000

REDFORD 734-326-2000
3 bedroom with new furnace central air updated electrical new roof (tear off) vinyl windows updated kitchen Fresh paint throughout 1 year warranty (D100) 25029027 \$119 900



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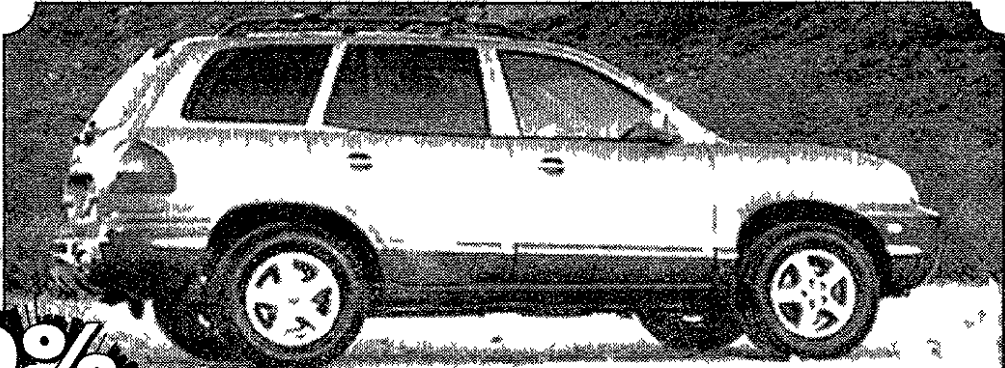
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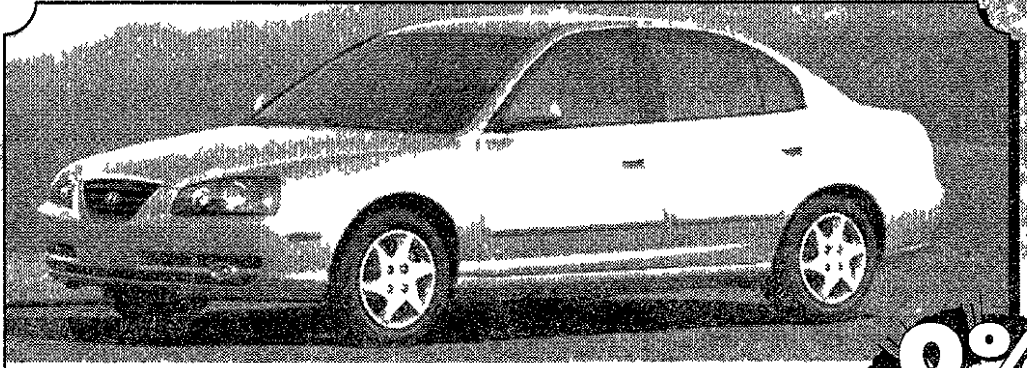


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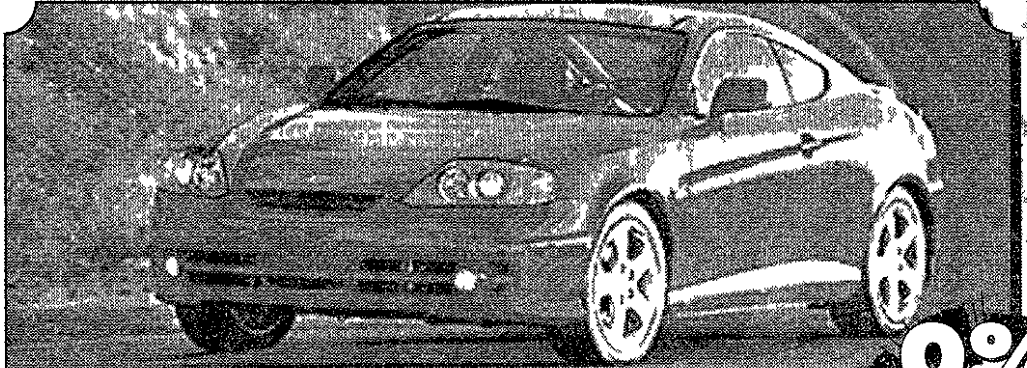


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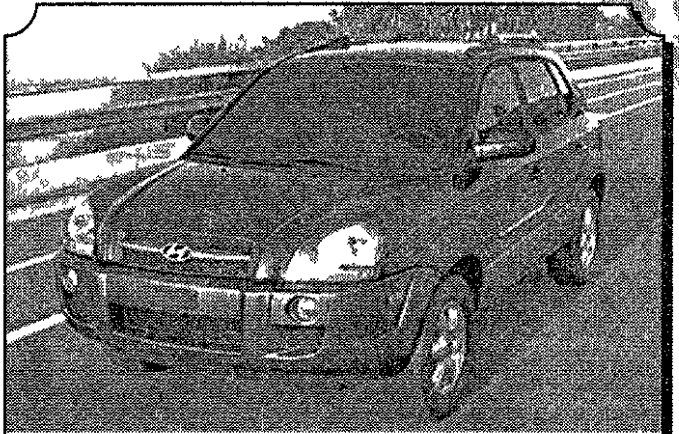
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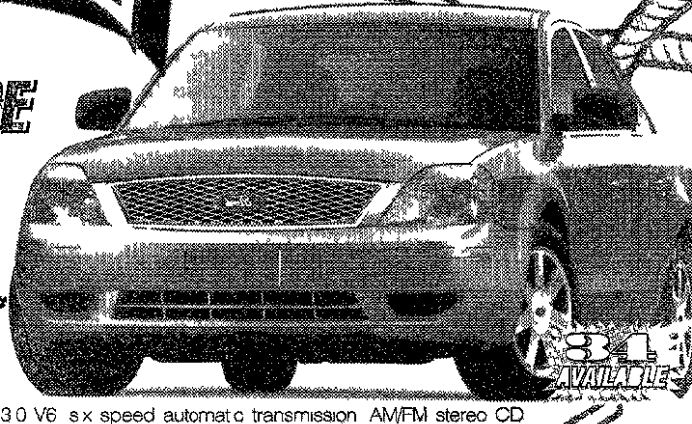
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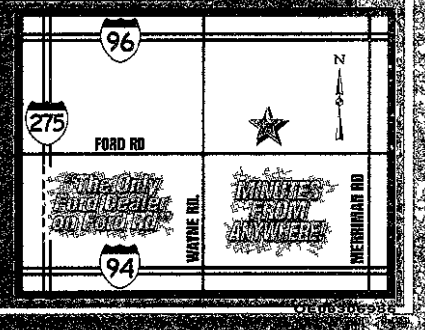
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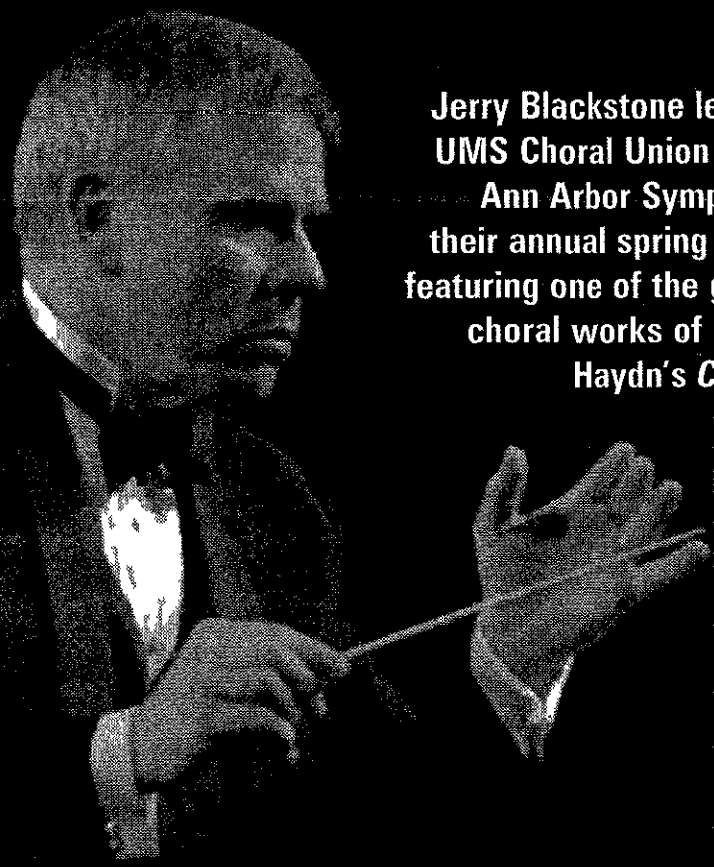
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Don't worry — you won't encounter any finger snapping, spectacle-wearing beatniks

The art of poetry slam is nothing like yesterday or today's traditional poetry reading

"Poetry slam is more spoken word geared toward the audience," said Christina Archer, organizer of a series of poetry slam events running at Max M Fisher Music Center in Detroit

On March 31, the center is showcasing several local spoken word artists, including members of Citywide Youth Poets. Headlining the event is Blair, a nationally known artist who lives in Detroit and a member of the team that won the 2002 National Poetry Slam Competition for the Motor City

On April 15, the Max hosts a competition for spots on Detroit's 2005 team

Technically, a poetry slam is a competition, while recitals without judges are showcases of paid talent. The com-

petitive element goes far in making poetry slamming anything but a stuffy event

"We get the audience geared up with really great music and a really good host, who possibly opens up with a poem or a note of the day. Then we pick the judges from the audience, explain the rules and pick a calibration poet," Archer said

Audience members clap for the poetry they like and keep the judges in line by responding to the scores they give out. Each competing poet has three minutes to present

Poetry slamming is performance, too. Although poems are prepared and practiced, spoken word artists recite in varying styles and try to make words come alive

"You might come across a poet who has a jazzy sing-song tone, another who used a monotone voice on purpose, another that is really passionate, raw and energetic. You might see somebody get up there and actually cry. You might see a black woman do a skin



The art of poetry slam is high-energy, and competitions are judged by audience members



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The showcase features nationally known spoken word artist Blair, who lives in Detroit

head poem. There are all types of poetry in poetry slam," Archer said

Detroit is home to a thriving and well-respected poetry slamming scene. In 2003, the Detroit team made it to the national semifinals. At the 2004 competition, the team was ranked fourth in the nation

"Detroit has such a huge, huge poetry scene. And we do have really good poets here," Archer said

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BY ELEANOR & RAY HEALD
CORRESPONDENTS

World renowned malt whisky expert Michael Jackson characterizes Speyside single malts as elegant and complex and often with a refined smokiness.

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Open your eyes

'The Story' runs after reality in race and media

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

When we learn a *New York Times* reporter has been making up stories, we're troubled by the deception

Deceit, though, raises larger questions about reality, the nature of truth and modern day consumption of information

The Story, a play about media integrity, race relations and newsroom politics running March 31 to April 23 at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African-American History in Detroit, delves into the inquiry

The themes of truth and reality are the heart of what the play is about," said Gary Anderson, producing artistic director of Plowshares Theatre

Co., which is presenting the play jointly with Boarshead Theatre Co. of Lansing

OK, so how does a single two-act play manage to tackle race, the media and the nature of truth simultaneously?

Anderson says *The Story* reminds us that it's the person beholding the information who's ultimately responsible for deciphering truth. Just as assumptions about race lead to prejudices about particular groups of people, society's unwillingness to challenge the validity of the news puts us in jeopardy of being deceived

Ultimately, it comes down to how individuals perceive and treat facts, Anderson said

In the play, a young African-American reporter who feels the newspaper where she

works has marginalized her stumbles on to a news source that could help her crack a big scoop and elevate her career. The source is a young girl who dresses like a gang member and claims to have involvement with a high profile murder of an affluent white teacher. It's unclear whether the source is telling the truth, but the reporter believes her

"And it's based less on the facts that the source gives and more on her image," Anderson said, comparing the process to racial discrimination. "Issues about race in this country put us into a position of using it as shorthand. We make assumptions about people

One of the play's conventions — scenes in which the

characters alternate between describing and participating in events — underscores the play's themes

It's the juxtaposition between what I tell you happened and what actually happened, Anderson said

The Story, written by Tracey Scott Wilson, was a finalist for the 2002 Susan Smith Blackburn Prize, an annual award given to contemporary women playwrights

Despite its heavy subject matter, the play is "is also a funny, witty one," Anderson said

"It comes through the characters, the dialogue and the situations"

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RACE, NEWS, POLITICS

What Plowshares Theatre Company and Boarshead Theatre Company co-present *The Story* a play about an African-American journalist

When: Previews 7:30 p.m. March 31-April 1 opens, 8 p.m. April 2, and continues to April 23 Thursday-Sunday with varying show times

Where: Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, 315 East Warren, Detroit

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SIDESHOW

FIRE FABULON IGNITES AUDIENCES

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STORY BY LANA MINI — STAFF WRITER

Fire Fabulon is proof never to judge a person by appearance. By day, members of this surreal circus sideshow act are regular business owners, graphic designers and engineers. At night, they push the boundaries of

the human body. They breathe, eat and juggle fire, eat light bulbs, walk on stilts, lay on beds of nails and more at venues throughout metro Detroit.

Fire Fabulon is an eccentric group of practitioners of sideshow circus acts. You may have seen them at mainstream events like Detroit Institute of Arts fundraisers and summer festivals. Find them also at more alternative places such as the Saturday, April 2, show at Labyrinth, a gothic nightclub in Detroit.

"We're not confined to our day jobs," Tim March, one of Fire Fabulon's co-founders, said. "Working with other fun, energetic and creative people recharges our batteries to help us deal better with the conventional part of life. We try not to be tethered to other people's definition of what's cool; we just do what we're interested in."

March, also known as TimTV on stage, loves making you laugh, cringe and be a little shocked. The martial arts expert is every bit the performer. On stage he might wear only leather pants, his muscles and electric blue and red dreadlocks. Other nights find him

donned in fishnet hosiery, undergarments and boots — seeing his flesh jolts the crowds while they watch him lying on beds of nails and then inviting audience members to walk on him.

"I love performing. I love making people happy and excited and show them something that's surprising," March said. "And I love to do things that I didn't know were possible, like chewing glass or doing pushups on broken glass. I didn't think I could do it safely, but I learned from people who taught me how."

The Fire Fabulon women wear scantily clad outfits of patent leather while dancing with "fire fingers" — long finger rods à la *Edward Scissorhands* with small fire balls on each end.

For more elegant affairs they might wear pretty dresses or create quirky mime costumes. The other Fabulon men also have wild costuming.

All the acts require discipline and concentration. There's no "faking it" in Fire Fabulon even with the knife-throwing act they're currently developing.

Martial arts helps March with focus. And he admits all of Fire Fabulon feels something exciting about the dangers of their acts. They're daring, but safe.

Careful steps must be taken to avoid chemical pneumonia from fire breath. Careful attention to safety for all



Fire Fabulon leader Tim March, a.k.a. TimTV, breathes fire at a festival last year.



Their fun, freaky in a good way and entertain crowds with their fire play.

members is priority. Fire Fabulon follows the guidelines of the National Association of Fire Performing Arts.

The other members of Fire Fabulon are co-founder Rebecca Morgan known as Monkey Fufu along with Art Zuckowski — Cyfar, Karysa Naeve — Sparky, Therese Tant — Shazam, Kurt Martin — Zorch, Joe Patterson — Jello and Alma known as Amazonia.

WHY FIRE?

March has always been fascinated by flames. As a child, he suffered third-degree burns on his legs while playing with fire and was hospitalized for almost three months. But he's overcome his fears and instead respects fire's power and holds a curiosity to work with it.

He pursued circus sideshow life a few years ago during his annual pilgrimage to the Burning Man festival in the Nevada desert.

FIRE FABULON

What: A Detroit-based fire and circus performance troupe specializing in untraditional sideshow acts of fire manipulation, stilt-walking, bed-of-nail and glass eating acts and more.

See Fire Fabulon: Doors 9 p.m. Saturday, April 2, Labyrinth Nightclub, 400 Bagley (and Cass Avenue) Detroit inside the Ramada Hotel, www.labyrinthdetroit.net

Cover charge: \$10, 18 and over

Learn it: Interested in learning sideshow performances? The Detroit Fire Guild members of Fire Fabulon rehearses at 9 p.m. every Friday at the Warren Main Ukiyo Dojo, 1380 Kaltz Warren (off Hoover south of 10 Mile Road). New faces are welcome. Admission \$3 or bring snacks. E-mail thefirefabulon@yahoo.com

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Most kids don't have very much opportunity to work with clay," said Art Education Director Leslie Greeneisen

Kids under 5 years old are asked to come with a parent. If they are over 5, parents don't have to attend. Adults are welcome to participate, too

The event is sponsored by the Village Potters Guild, a group that looks to introduce new enthusiasts to the joys of pot-

tery. But be prepared to get dirty," Greeneisen said

Patrons will roll out the clay, place it over a form in the shape of the mask, bowl or box, and then decorate it with other pieces of clay and paint

Instructors from the Village Potters will glaze and fire the items

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is located at 774 N. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

Admission is \$24 per class for members and \$26 for non-members for each class, or \$62 for members and \$68 for non-members for all three days. Receive \$4 off the admission price if more than one family member attends. Reservations are required. For more information, call (734) 416-4278 or visit www.plymoutharts.com

Lana Mini

FIRE

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for one another. The festival bonded him with other fire-users and Fire Fabulon was formed

A natural leader, the stage isn't something that frightens him or the other members. They enjoy the oohs and aahs of an audience

"We try to learn a few new skills every

year to keep the show fresh," March said


And they invite you too learn their trade

Every Friday at March's studio, the doors open to those who are curious about the art

"Just bring \$3 or some snacks, we'd love to have you," March said. "You might do things you never thought possible."

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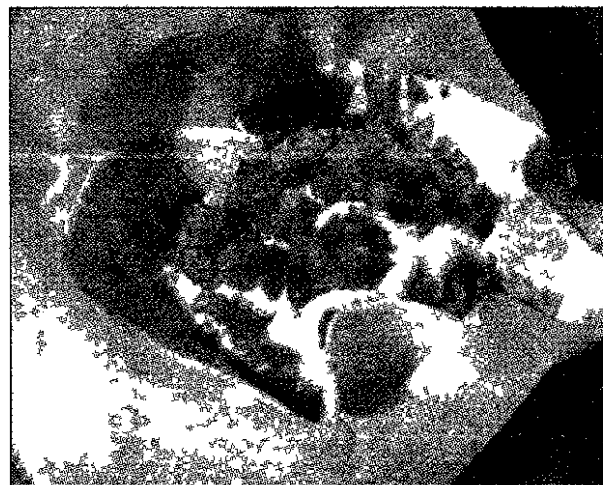
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BY ELEANOR HEALD
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There are 20 stools so you can eat in at the counters, yet most traffic to Zumba (with its private parking lot) is for carry-out

Call Zumba an authentic taco joint, typical of those found everywhere in Mexico and some southwestern U.S. border towns. Yet it's a lot more

Operative words for Zumba are fresh, authentic and affordable. Give Zumba high marks for speedy service, simplicity of ordering, convenience and great Mexican flavors. Outside of Detroit's Mexican Village, it's hard to beat. Most items are huge, so order accordingly.

FAST AND FRIENDLY

If you didn't download the menu from www.zumbagrille.com, then grab a printed menu and step up to the counter. Let Zumba's servers build your meal to order.

Your job is to choose fillings, including grilled or stewed Mexican chicken, grilled steak or ground beef and vegan-friendly beans, rice and vegetables and the toppings for Zumba's huge burritos, tacos and quesadillas.

For something different, try the Zumba trade-marked Bowl-Rito (a tortilla-less

burrito in a bowl) or the trade-marked Tacon (crispy flour tortilla cone that's stuffed with taco fillings). Top off any items with the many salsas at the self-serve station, then eat at the counter or carry out your Mexican treats.

Also special are the Baja-style fish tacos, made with a soft corn tortilla filled with a beer-battered cod fillet, personal choice of toppings and creamy tomatillo salsa.

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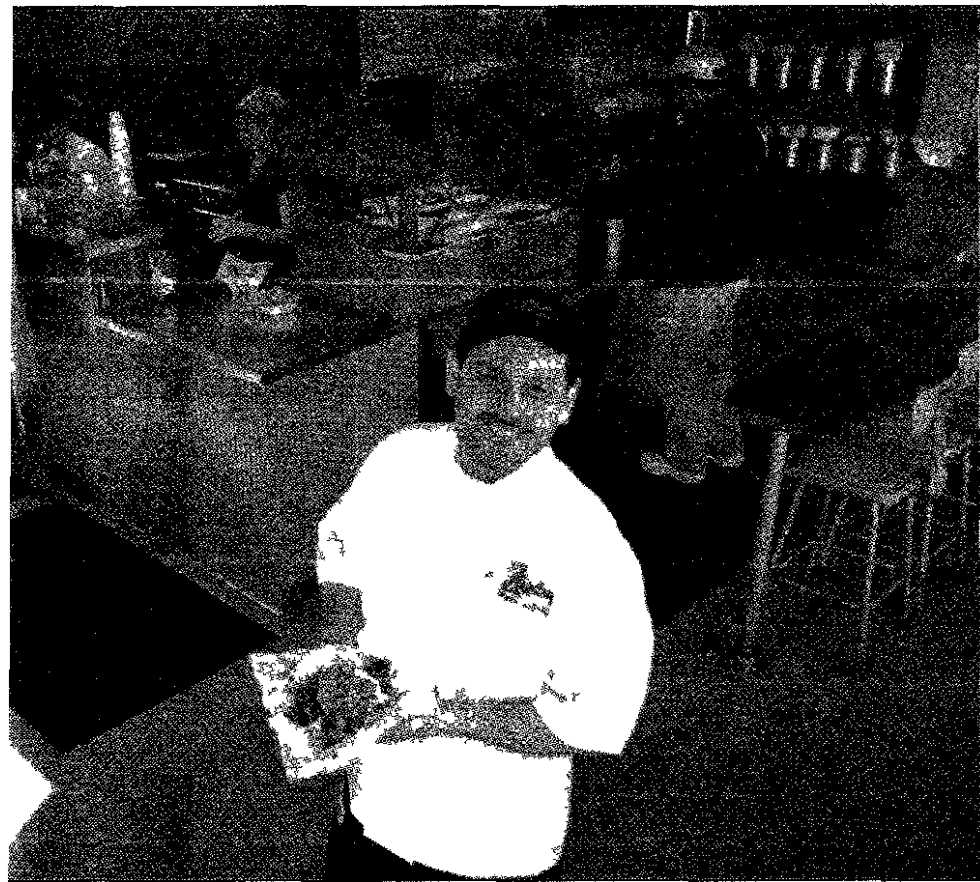
No matter how much you order, you'll never get enough of Zumba's guacamole to satisfy your craving for dipping chips or to top the burritos or grilled quesadillas.

Tim Castañeda, chef and partner in Zumba with his wife, Linda, and Charles Barnes, calls his Mexican items healthy. "A

note at the bottom of our menu," Castañeda said, "explains that our beans are prepared vegetarian style without oil or shortening. Our rice is prepared without chicken stock and no item has melted cheese."

"Americans load up Mexican items with cheese and sour cream and that piles on the calories."

Castañeda's father is Mexican. Formerly,



Castaneda, chef and part owner of Zumba s, holds up a fully-stuffed burrito which is also pictured at



Zumba has 20 stools for eating in but most customers carry out

parents owned Old Mexico in Livonia and Castañeda worked there from his early teens. Although he now makes his home in Troy, he has lived in Los Angeles, Phoenix and Mexico. You might say that I've experienced all sorts of Mexican food including California, Tex-Mex and authentic Mexican, he said. The recipes I use at Zumba are mine and I like cooking Mexican because it's in your blood, it's in your food. Mexican food remains in the hot category. Five years ago, hardly anyone knew about chipotles. Today, people know and they are more knowledgeable about food and their kids and they make up a big part of my business."

MEXICAN SWEET ENDING

Instead of ordering another taco, think dessert, like Zumba cinnamon crisp cookie and Zumba Mexican brownie. After one taste, you'll crave them just like authentic tacos.

Zumba is Spanish slang, loosely translated as "buzz" or "energy."

If you like Mexican food and have not discovered Zumba, what are you waiting for? It opened in October 2000.

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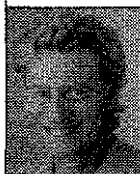
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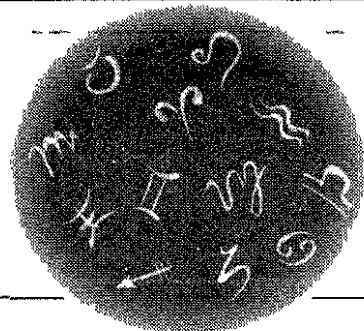
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(March 24-26)
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ARIES (March 21-April 20)

Make a concerted effort to remain positive despite increasing demands on your time and energy. What appears to be a tiresome chore should turn out to be the beginning of a new and fulfilling project. What you are about to learn will make the difference between success and failure.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

You are far too adept at understanding other people's viewpoints to take umbrage over what is probably an insignificant slight or affront. Your best course of action is to do nothing for the time being. Forgive at this time - even though it's hard for a Bull to forget.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

The Sun in Aries is supposed to make you foot loose and fancy free now. Twin - so what happened? Someone has brought you down to earth with a bang over finances - that's what! And unfortunately you now must re-evaluate your money situation and not spend above your means.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

There seems to be no point in arguing the toss or complaining that those you once trusted have taken advantage of you. Better by far to cut your losses and call it a day because April 8th's New Moon and solar eclipse will put you in touch with those who are totally trustworthy.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

The difficulty of tomorrow's Full Moon with Mercury and Pluto's retrograde warns that you won't lack for something to say this week. Everyone around you will be made more aware of what you think and not all of what you think will be flattering. Be constructive about what you have to say. Lion.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Perk up, kiddo! Aim high this week. Virgo - you have many things going for you now, but you're letting yourself down because you don't believe in yourself. Don't let past or recent failures color your thinking. You're wiser today. Your good deeds are returning.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

Good and even better news is coming from afar in the days ahead. Balancer! However, keep your plans to yourself (especially travel plans) as you won't get the chance to do something about them until after late April. Guard your ideas and itinerary and double-check the details.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

You'll be especially forthright when it comes to putting your opinions and ideas into words, and not everyone will enjoy the things you have to say. But since when has pleasing others been at the top of your agenda?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Uh-huh, you've been under loads of pressure since the year began. However, put your troubles behind you and practice your famous smile for a while. After next month's New Moon, life won't seem as depressing or daunting as it has. In fact, it'll be quite enjoyable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Git off it, Cap! If you can't get rid of your frown now, at least stand on your head so it looks like a smile. Nothing positive will come your way if you give the impression that you expect the worst. Change your attitude and change your life. Starting now, kiddo!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

For someone who has the reputation for being ahead of your time, you appear to be strangely caught up in the past at the moment, unable to disentangle yourself from the situations that have lost their appeal. Tomorrow's Full Moon should mark the start of a whole new beginning.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Whatever your grievances about the way you are currently undervalued or taken for granted at work, on no account call attention to yourself by throwing a tantrum. There is more going on than meets the eye, and only after mid-April will you be in a position to call the shots.

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The Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center will host the annual Michigan Fine Arts Competition exhibition through April 15 This prestigious exhibition will show 93 pieces from the selected 86 artists The Competition is juried by a prominent artist or curator each year This year's juror is Susan Wilczak Director of Exhibitions and Collections at The Krasl Art Center in St Joseph Michigan For further information call 248 644 0866 or visit www bbartcenter org The BBAC is at 1516 S Cranbrook Road Birmingham

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Music

The Exies bring melodic yet energetic sound to Michigan

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

An interesting pair of shoes helped The Exies get some attention

The band, that formed in 1997 in Los Angeles, was living lifestyles similar to many unknown musicians. They knocked on the doors of record label executives to hand-deliver demo CDs.

I was working as a runner for a studio

in L.A. and there was an industry guy there who I wanted to listen to our stuff, vocalist Scott Stevens said. As I'm handing him the demo he comments on how cool my shoes are. He said, Well this demo's got to be good coming from someone with such good taste in shoes. Those shoes cost me a buck at a thrift store.

They got their break and then some. This year The Exies toured with Velvet Revolver and will also play with Motley

Crue and Sum 41 at DTE on Wednesday, Aug. 24.

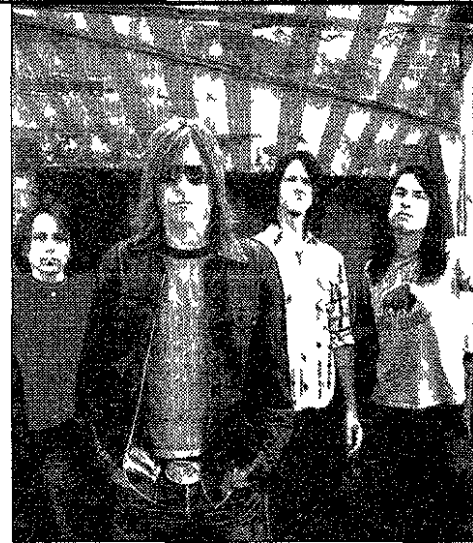
Big exposure for a band with one dollar shoes. The Exies will also play Friday, March 25, at Harpo's in Detroit to promote the newest CD *Head for the Door*, the band's second album on Virgin Records. Also performing is Theory of a Dead Man and Breaking Benjamin.

Head for the Door is organic rock. "We really wanted to get back to basics on this album," Stevens said. "We had experimented quite a bit with programming, complex arrangements and exorbitant amounts of tracks on *Inertia* (the band's first Virgin album). We just felt like this one should be stripped down, more organic."

Velvet Revolver's Nick Raskulincz, also of the Foo Fighters, produced the album. "We're all huge Foo Fighters fans," drummer Dennis Wolfe said. "Raskulincz produced their last record and that album was really blowing up big while we were out touring. We thought, 'Man that's the sound we want.' Big drums and punchy, tight guitars."

The Exies play big riffs. They're loud and hard, but melodic enough for radio. The song *Ugly* is gaining momentum on the airwaves.

"(Ugly) is partly about feeling ugly yourself and being unsettled inside," Stevens



The Exies are on tour with Velvet Revolver but will headline at Harpo's on March 25.

said. "But it's also about how we turn a blind eye to the unpleasant things we see everyday — things that are disturbing yet easy to ignore."

The album's lyrics contain hints of self-loathing and self-destruction, but there's also hints of hope throughout it.

The Exies were also recently featured on MTV's *New Faces of Rock* series. They have a big cyberspace "street team" — legions of hardcore fans who spread the word about the music via Internet chat-rooms and fan sites. The band was widely seen recently on the hot teen *The WB* show *The Mountain* and also on the hugely popular pay-per-view *Survivor Series*, World Wrestling Entertainment.

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Twilight Babies hosts long awaited CD release party

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Rather than write in a studio, the sound is created while they perform

'Our regular audience will recognize some of the songs on the new CD because we've played them live a bit,' said guitarist Mike Brown

Twilight Babies music is as evocative as its name

Call it down tempo, ambient, electronica trip hop, or lounge - the Twilight Babies attract college electronic-pop fans, and people with a more trained ear

The Twilight Babies are Brown, who plays an array of instruments, singer Alison Lewis, and Adam Walker on drums, synthesizer, bass, programming and more. The trio regularly plays throughout metro Detroit

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TWILIGHT BABIES

What: CD release party

Genre: Ambient/electronic

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The Twilight Babies will host a CD release party March 25

The Twilight Babies, one of Detroit's most beloved ambient/electronica bands, has just released its third CD and will host a party to celebrate it at the Magic Stick on Friday, March 25

The CD *Monster* will literally be hot off the presses at the show. At press time it was still at the factory

Monster brings the Babies back to a sound that's more reminiscent of their first CD that was more electronica focused. Their second CD *If You Want Me To I Could Write It Down* was more pop-tinged, yet still unique and dreamy

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