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Library board eyes 3rd-floor expansion

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Raymond Rolak waited patiently for the doors to the Plymouth District Library in downtown Plymouth to open Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m.

Rolak, 51, of Plymouth Township, spends at least one day a week at the library reading periodicals and using the computer labs to surf the Internet. Rolak said he also takes advantage of the many guest lectures held in the adjoining meeting rooms.

"This is the crown jewel of Plymouth," said Rolak, who

admits to spending a lot of time at the library, but only remembers checking out one book, ever. "The periodical selection is just fantastic, its recreation for me."

"They also have one of the best computer genealogy programs, which is oppressively expensive to buy for home use," he said.

However, Rolak doesn't always get a chance to use those computers when he wants.

"When there are students at homework time, it's tough to get a computer," he said.

That's one thing they could use more of.

Rolak, as well as others, may get their wish for more space, selections and computers as the library's Board of Directors is considering a \$2 million expansion program to finish a currently empty third floor.

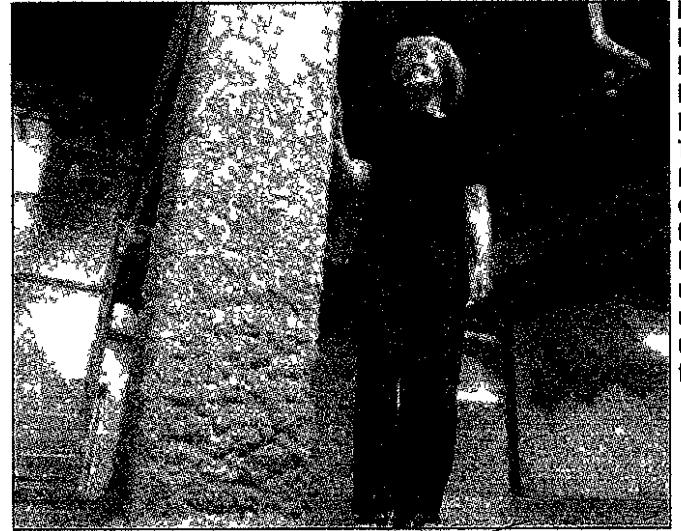
"We do have some crowded areas," admitted Thomas, 55, who has been Plymouth District Library director the past 26 years. "We've been rearranging, and that's what's been holding us up."

"It's an embarrassment of riches," she said. "The more we do, the more people want."

The downtown Plymouth library opened on April 26,

1998, using 42,000 of the 55,000 available square footage. A basement-level room of 3,000 square feet used by the Friends of the Library and general storage is unfinished, as is 9,000 square feet on a third floor, which remains closed to library patrons. However, that could change within the next couple of years.

"We've got a rough estimate, it will probably cost a couple million dollars," said Thomas of the third-floor construction. "The architect is looking at a concept to come up with a



Plymouth District Library Director Pat Thomas hopes to expand the library into the unfinished upper floor.

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Jim Rubin of Virginia keeps his Abe Lincoln persona as he inspects members of the Michigan 17th Infantry outside of the Plymouth Historical Society Museum.

Wall-to-wall Lincolns

Convention teams 'Honest Abes' with museum's Lincoln collection

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth Historical Museum has the largest collection of Abraham Lincoln artifacts in the state of Michigan.

On Friday, the museum had the largest collection of Lincolns in the state. Nearly 75 Honest Abes, members of the Association of Lincoln Presenters, held their annual convention in Detroit. Among their stops, a visit to admire the Lincoln memorabilia at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

"I've had this beard since 1972," said Eugene Shter, 75, a retired farmer from Fayette, Iowa. "I'm the dressed-up Lincoln because I'm wearing tails instead of a long coat. I also drive a 2003 Lincoln Continental."

Fred Priebe of Belleville, a retired school teacher, works full-time as a Lincoln presenter, appearing many times at the Logan County Courthouse at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. He also volunteers at the Historical Museum on the Lincoln collection.

"I like his integrity, his honesty and ability to see the bigger picture," said Priebe of Lincoln. "He didn't have to have his ego fed, like a lot of politicians."

Master of Ceremonies at the museum was 35th District Court Judge Ron Lowe, who sported his beard and Lincoln attire, just like he does for school children in the Plymouth-Canton school district.

"I do this because it's a great, powerful teaching tool for young people," said Lowe. "You take a person whose got all those lessons of character plus a person who had a passion for law that I share with him, and if I can inspire people to have that kind of character and learn more about Lincoln, we can't be harmed by any of that."

Cheryl Deep of Northville Township was visiting the Historical Museum with her husband and three children when all the Abes showed up.

"This feels very surreal," said Deep. "For a moment, I felt like I was traveling back in time."



It was all Abe all the time as motorists and residents looked outside of the Plymouth Historical Society Museum Friday evening for an Abe Lincoln Interpreters Conference.

District hopes early buyout attracts teachers

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Pioneer Middle School science teacher James Marchio has taught in Plymouth-Canton schools for 37 years, but had no immediate plans to retire — until Wednesday.

That's when Superintendent Jim Ryan announced a \$30,000 early severance incentive that could save the district \$7 million over the next eight years.

"I still enjoy my job, so I needed an incentive to decide to retire," said Marchio of the \$30,000 motivation.

PLEASE SEE DISTRICT, A8

IRS agents raid home of restaurant owner

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Apparently, Talal Chahine's son isn't the only one having trouble with the law.

Chahine, owner of the popular La Shish restaurant chain, received unexpected visitors when agents of the Internal Revenue Service raided his Plymouth Township home Tuesday. The IRS also raided La Shish headquarters in Dearborn and another Chahine home, also in Dearborn.

Steve Moore, spokesman for the IRS' criminal investigations division, said some 40 agents effected search warrants, but would not reveal details of any evidence seized.

"All I can say is we executed a search warrant at a residence in Plymouth," Moore said. "The affidavit of the search warrant is sealed and no information is available."

Plymouth Township Police Chief Tom Tiderngton said local police were notified of the raid, but were not asked to participate. Talal Chahine did not return a phone call from the *Observer* seeking comment.

Chahine's son, 23-year-old Khalil Chahine, is currently standing trial on a murder charge in the death of 20-year-old Paul Hallis of Westland. Khalil Chahine is accused of killing Hallis in a dispute about a woman each had dated.

However, it's unlikely the IRS raids are related to the murder case, since murder isn't IRS jurisdiction, Moore said.

"IRS criminal investigations jurisdiction is basically tax evasion, money laundering and bank secrecy laws," Moore said. "Those are our charges."

The La Shish restaurant chain includes locations in Livonia, Westland, Roseville, Auburn Hills and Troy. Talal Chahine also owns Talal's Mediterranean Eatery in west Dearborn.

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Coming Sunday in PINK



Commencement speaker

State Rep John Stewart, (R-Plymouth Township) will give the commencement address at Eastern Michigan University at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Convocation Center.

"As a graduate of Eastern Michigan University - Class of 1971, it is a great honor to be asked to give the commencement address," said Stewart. "Everything will be coming full circle for me. I am grateful for my education at EMU. My college years were a wonderful experience."

In the afternoon of April 23, Stewart will attend the commencement at Western Michigan University and will hand his daughter Laura her diploma in elementary education.

"What a privilege to give my daughter her diploma," Stewart said. "I am very proud of her. She is graduating with honors (3.6 GPA) and is a scholar-athlete by setting the single season record as a softball pitcher for the Broncos last year with 26 wins and 343 strikeouts."

Stewart has seven aunts and uncles who graduated from WMU with a bachelor's degree in education and each taught 40 years in Michigan Public Schools.

Flyboy salute

The Plymouth Historical Museum and the Yankee Air Force Museum will host a joint celebration on Saturday, May 7 at the Plymouth Historical Museum. The celebration will include dinner, a USO Canteen, music from the 30's and 40's including Big Band and Swing, a raffle with many auction items including a flight experience on a B-17 and a B-25!

The fund raiser will help to raise awareness of the importance of collecting and documenting the heritage of the World War II veterans and their experiences after last summer's fire which destroyed many of the Yankee Air Force Museum's important artifacts and rare memorabilia.

Tickets for the event are \$35 for the general public, \$30 for members of the PHM or the Yankee Air Force Museum. For more information or tickets, call (734) 453-8940.

Other events in celebration of VE Day include Meet the Flyboys of WWII, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 3, where local men, including pilot and astronaut Jack Lousma, will meet with visitors and students to share first-hand the history of VE Day and the importance of aviation during the war and the advances of flight which lead to the development of NASA.

Weldon Petz, who played with Jimmy Dorsey in USO shows during World War II, will present the history and music of the Big Band era at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 5.

Cold Stone

In celebration of the Make-A-Wish Foundation's 25th anniversary, Cold Stone Creamery stores across the country, including those in Plymouth and Canton, will host the World's Largest Ice Cream Social from 5-8 p.m. Monday, April 25.

Guests will be treated to a slice of the Make-A-Wish ice cream cake developed by an 11-year-old girl from Boston named Micah. In exchange for a free slice of cake, each store will ask for donations to benefit the local chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, which grants the wishes of

children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

The Plymouth Cold Stone Creamery is located at 416 S. Main in the Mayflower Centre.

Showcase Plymouth

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce hosts its annual 'Showcase Plymouth-Taste of Plymouth' event from 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 4 at St. John's Golf & Conference Center.

The annual event is a chance for local businesses and restaurants to showcase themselves. Cost to chamber members is \$100 plus a \$15 door prize, or \$125 plus the \$15 door prize to be located in the Atrium. Prices double for non-chamber members.

Tickets are available for \$10 each.

For reservations or more information, call the chamber office, (734) 453-1540.

McCotter hours

Staffers representing U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, (R-Livonia), will host office hours for constituents of the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, from 10 a.m. - noon Wednesday, April 27.

McCotter and his staff are able to provide assistance with issues involving the federal government, including social security, Medicare, military and veterans affairs, small business concerns, student loan repayments and a variety of other issues.

For more information, (734) 632-0314.

Youth concert

The Celebration Youth Orchestra presents a concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 25 at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill in Canton. Tickets are \$8. The CYO is the youth



On the air

Plymouth singer Sarah Lenore, 16, will be one of six finalists featured on the Colgate Country Showdown being televised this weekend. Lenore is one of six finalists featured on the program which airs on Detroit's WB network at 1 p.m. Saturday.

orchestra supported by the Plymouth Symphony and conducted by Lindsay Riemer, the Plymouth Symphony's assistant conductor. The orchestra is comprised of two ensembles - the Celebration Strings and the Celebration Sinfonia.

Tickets can be purchased through Summit on the Park, (734) 394-5460, or at the Village Theater box office two hours before performances. For more information, call the Plymouth Symphony office, (734) 451-2112, or e-mail at info@plymouthsymphony.org.

Day camp

The Plymouth Salvation Army is taking registrations for its summer day camp sessions, scheduled June 20-July 15 and July 25-Aug. 19 at the Salvation Army building on Main just south of Ann Arbor Road. Cost is \$200 per child, per

session, with a limited number of scholarships available for low-income families. Pre-care and after-care are available at an additional cost to children of working parents. The camps are geared for children 6- to 12-years-old.

Registration day is scheduled for 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, April 30, with ongoing registration available Monday-Friday beginning May 2. For more information, call (734) 453-5464.

Shred Day

Taxpayers tired of looking at all those forms have a chance to get rid of some of them with "Shred Day," hosted by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, April 23 in the parking lot of the former BellaVino property at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. The event, sponsored by

UBS Financial Services, Gem Financial and Maximum Financial, is open to the public for people who have papers they'd like to see shredded. Large paper clips must be removed, but staples do not.

For more information, call the chamber, (734) 453-1540.

Saberette events

The Plymouth Saberettes host a Pompon Kids Clinic from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30 at the Plymouth High School cafeteria. The clinic is open to girls ages 3 through the eighth grade.

Cost is \$35 to learn a pom routine with the Saberettes, receive a pom T-shirt and a snack. All participants will be invited to perform in the Saberette Variety Show May 6-7.

Register for the clinic from 6-8 p.m. Monday, April 25, at the Plymouth High School Athletic Wing. For more information, call (734) 455-4318.

The Saberette Variety Show takes place at 7 p.m. May 6-7 in the Gloria Logan Auditorium in Salem High School. Tickets will be available at the door.

Masonic breakfasts

The weekly breakfasts offered at this time of year at the Masonic Temple begin with a buffet breakfast served from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, May 7. The Plymouth Masons, Elks, Breakfast Kiwanis and Civitans will rotate Saturdays serving the breakfast.

The May 7 breakfast will be unique because Moms will eat for free, and all proceeds from the day will be donated toward the construction of the Yankee Air Museum destroyed by fire last year.

Cost of the breakfast is \$7 adults and \$3.50 for children 6-12. Children 5 and younger eat free.

The Masonic Temple is located downtown across from Kellogg Park.

Bicycle safety

The Plymouth A.M. Rotary Club hosts a Bike Safety Rally open to all children in the Plymouth-Canton community. The event takes place from 1-4 p.m. Sunday, May 22 in The Gathering in downtown Plymouth.

Safety for bicycles, rollerblades and skateboards will be discussed with the Modern Skate and Surf Team. Helmets will be available for \$10.

Fire and emergency safety will also be topics, with Canton and Plymouth Township fire departments and EMS street safety promoted by the Plymouth Police Department. Door prizes and bicycle safety checks will be available.

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Christine Wofford and her daughter, Olivia of Canton flew to the Vatican for the funeral of the late Pope John Paul II. Olivia, now 16, received her first Holy Communion from the late pontiff.

Benedict XVI won't, can't be same man he was as cardinal

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER

As the world's 1.1 billion Catholics celebrate the election of the first pope of the third millennium, area religious leaders believe the man who was the Vatican's doctrinal watchdog will be a much different person in his new capacity as the Bishop of Rome.

On Tuesday, the Vatican's College of Cardinals elected German Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger to be named the 265th pope, now known as Pope Benedict XVI. Archdiocese of Detroit Moderator for the Curia Monsignor John Zenz described the incoming pontiff as an intellectual giant and one of the last living connections to the Vatican II council. "He has always been a brilliant intellectual, probably the best theologian in depth and breadth in the church," he said. "He was a *pert*, an expert adviser to the cardinals at Vatican II. He was 35 at the time."

He said Benedict XVI would most likely reaffirm the teachings of John Paul II and his

selection by the cardinals was an indication of their desire for continuity in leadership. Like his predecessor, the new pope understands the importance of every word he says and writes.

"He is a teacher and a writer," Zenz said. "He will be careful in how he nuances things. His words will be carefully chosen and sentences carefully sculpted."

For all the desire for continuity, he said the new pope can't be the same person he was as the dean of the college of cardinals and the dogged head of the Congregational Doctrine of the Faith.

He will have a new perspective," he said. "He's now more a pastor and more aware of the needs of the church around the world. His perspective won't just be doctrine, he will have to think of the needs of people around the world."

Rabbi Charles Rosenzweig of the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills said the former Cardinal Ratzinger might have been a doctrinal hardliner, but Pope Benedict XVI could be a very different person.

He may have been

conservative as a cardinal but as the pope he has to deal with the fact that every word he says will have international implications," Rosenzweig said. "It's very possible he might turn out to be more liberal than we know from his record."

He said the new pope is undoubtedly aware of the beliefs of his parishioners around the world and that changes will need to be made to accommodate the modern age. The first year might be uneventful, but he said afterward there might be changes coming from Rome.

As to the new pope's history as a boy soldier in WWII and as a member of the Hitler Youth, the rabbi said that story mixes interestingly with his accredited instrumental role in John Paul II's push to repair relations with the Jewish faithful.

He hopes the contrast will not be lost on the new pope.

I hope he realizes that he's been in a group that has stooped to the lowest potential in the human character," Rosenzweig said, and now he is in the most lofty position.

Cops looking for gas station gunman

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth police are looking for a lone gunman who assaulted the owner of the BP Amoco gas station at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Lilley Road about 6 a.m. Wednesday.

The suspect walked into the station shortly after it opened and confronted the owner, near the coffee machines," said Plymouth Police Chief Wayne Carroll. "The man took the victim to a back room and produced a gun. When the victim asked if the gun was real, he shot it at the floor."

"The suspect then tied the victim with duct tape, and then hit him in the head several times," added Carroll. "The gunman then walked out the door."

Carroll said the gunman, who left without taking anything, fled eastbound on Ann Arbor Trail in a red, older model four-door vehicle, possibly a Ford product. Another customer in the parking lot called police when he saw the



Plymouth police are looking for a lone gunman who entered the BP Amoco gas station at Lilley and Ann Arbor Trail, assaulted the owner, then left without taking anything.

victim exit a back door.

Carroll said the suspect is described as a white male, slim build and wearing a gray T-shirt. Police believe he may be the same person who robbed a gas station in Livonia on April 3, and a Speedway gas station in Canton Township at the corner of Ford and Canton Center

roads on April 17.

There are also some similarities with other robberies on the east side," Carroll said.

Police were able to process photos from a security tape. The BP Amoco gas station remained closed as of late Wednesday afternoon.

New hair salon opens in Westland

A NEW 'DO

Westland welcomed its newest business recently, as Hair Express opened its doors on South Wayne Road.

The full service salon opened in March as a partnership between owner John Lozon and stylists Jill Lozon, Toni Anderle and Nikki Harris - who worked together at another salon before joining forces at Hair Express.

The salon offers haircuts, color, highlights and eyebrow waxing. Prices range from \$8 for eyebrow waxing to \$10.99



for a cut. Highlights start at \$50.

"We offer monthly specials," said Lozon, who has 19 years of experience in the business. Currently customers can take advantage of \$5 off women's haircuts. Walk-ins are

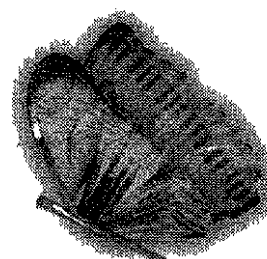
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Call (734) 595-0058 for more information.

Stephanie Angelyn Casola writes about new and changing businesses for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers. E-mail tips on your new favorite Wayne County shop to scasola@oehomecomm.net or call (734) 953-2054.

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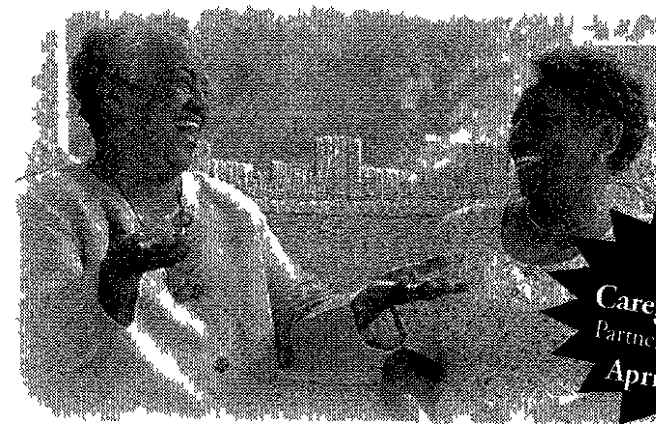
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Julia Scannell, 5 chose her subject in advance and created a masterpiece at the Jr Picasso program at the Plymouth District Library

Library program draws young artists

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

All week long, Judy Scannell's daughter, Julia, was asking if it was time to go to the Plymouth District Library. The draw? The library's Junior Picasso program.

"Cause my favorite character is Angelina," Julia, 5 going on 6 and a kindergartner at All Saints in Canton, said of the program, in which children drew their favorite book character. The Angelina Ballerina books are popular, with the stories also broadcast on Channel 56. "She loves the Angelina series," said Judy Scannell of Plymouth Township. "Shes a ballerina, too."

Some 15 children signed up for 'Junior Picasso,' said children's librarian Dana Bussard, although attendance suffers some when weather is nice.

"It's to help celebrate National Library Week," Bussard said of the program, supported by the Friends of the Library. We've invited children

of all ages to come in and do a picture of their favorite book character."

Books were displayed at the library Saturday to help kids get started. In addition to colored pencils, markers and crayons, children had use of feathers and sequins to use different media to do the pictures," she said.

Julia likes to read "because I like all the words to make a story."

Dan and Tina Kendzior of Plymouth Township brought daughter Lauren, 3. Her favorite character is Sam I Am from Dr. Seuss' *Green Eggs and Ham*.

"I just thought it would be a fun thing to do," Tina Kendzior said. "She loves to draw and paint. This is a cute idea that they're doing this."

Harry Potter's especially popular with older kids, Bussard agreed. Younger girls often go for *Junie B. Jones*.

Children's artwork is being displayed in the youth section of the library, 223 S. Main

Smoking ban doesn't generate much fire

BY HEATHER NEEDHAM
STAFF WRITER

The Wayne County Commission passed a smoking regulation that some critics say will be too difficult to enforce, allows for too many exceptions and doesn't provide for union exceptions.

Wayne County passed a workplace smoking ban in March that covers all employers with at least one employee. Exceptions are bars, restaurants, bingo halls, tobacco specialty stores, casinos, racetracks and the city of Detroit.

The voluntary regulation allows employers to maintain designated smoking rooms, as long as non-smoking employees do not have to enter the room to access other workplace amenities.

Wayne County's Clean Indoor Air Regulation smoking ban is to take effect June 15, but employers must provide employees with no-smoking policies by May 25 — three weeks before the ban takes effect.

This means that no smoking signs must be posted in conspicuous areas and ashtrays and other smoking paraphernalia need to be removed. Smokers will also be prohibited from smoking within six feet of building entrances, windows and ventilation systems.

The Wayne County Health Department will be responsible for enforcement. Because the regulation is voluntary, individuals or businesses must initiate action. A couple of ways businesses can do this are by requesting smoking rooms be inspected to ensure proper ventilation and by lodging complaints about smoking scofflaws.

Fines for non-compliance by individuals will range from \$100 for first offenses to \$500 for second and subsequent offenses.

Complaints from employees about businesses not following the regulation could invite an inspection by the health department.

Sharon Banks, spokeswoman for Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano said no additional health department staff will be hired.



Wayne County passed a workplace smoking ban in March that covers all employers with at least one employee.

REGULATION VOLUNTARY

Instead, the county will educate businesses about how to properly designate smoking rooms and how employees can be encouraged to quit smoking.

"(The smoking regulation) is voluntary and based on complaints received from the workplace," Banks said.

The United Auto Workers, which represents 1.2 million active and retired workers nationally and 107,000 in Wayne County, supports the ban.

"The UAW's position is that we are in support of the concept of the smoking ban, if it is done in a way to respect collective bargaining agreements," said Roger Kerson, UAW spokesman.

"We think it is a sound concept," he added.

The UAW has not yet reviewed the regulation's language.

Washtenaw County adopted a smoking ban in 2002. Ingham and Genesee counties also have smoking bans, which the respective automotive plants have reportedly upheld.

County Commissioner Kay Beard favored the smoking ban though, as a former smoker, she realizes how tough it is to quit. She noticed that quitting smoking caused the birth rates of three of her five children to be about two pounds heavier than with her first and second born children.

This really is a health problem, she said, referring to the hazards of secondhand

smoke

Originally, the county's smoking ban was in the form of an ordinance, which was vetoed by Ficano in 2004. Reworking the smoking ordinance into a regulation meant that it could be more quickly implemented, Beard said.

Most of the comments Beard has received from constituents have been positive.

"I haven't heard other than a few people say anything negative about it," she said. "An awful lot of people were pleased about it."

Ficano said his main objections with the original ordinance were in giving 'police powers' to people running businesses. The regulation, however, is not without its potential problems.

Overall, the basic situation is that (the smoking regulation) does not apply to the city of Detroit, Ficano said. "That's a pretty big hole in the doughnut."

A statewide regulation would make more sense than a countywide regulation with separate rules between two segments of the population, he added.

About 35,000-40,000 people in the United States die annually from illnesses related to breathing secondhand smoke, according to the American Cancer Society. In addition, more than 60 compounds in secondhand tobacco smoke are known or are suspected to cause cancer.

MOST FAVOR BAN

County Commissioner John Sullivan said he received 1,000 e-mails from constituents on

the subject — with only three of those being against the ban. This weighed heavily on his decision to vote in favor of the regulation, he said.

Sullivan said he replied to all three of those e-mails personally, mostly allaying concerns from smokers who feared they wouldn't be allowed to smoke.

"People still have the right to smoke — you can smoke all you want," Sullivan said, describing his response to the e-mails against the ban.

Most importantly, Sullivan said, is that most businesses seem to have a smoking policy already.

Not all commissioners supported the measure. Laura Cox, whose 10th district includes Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township and a portion of Livonia, cited a number of concerns with the regulation.

For one, an informal study by a chamber of commerce in her district showed that about 80 percent of businesses already have smoking restrictions in place.

Secondly, there are too many exceptions.

"A large portion of the county is not even included in the regulation," Cox said. "Government is picking and choosing who they're going to regulate (Smoking) really and truly is a health issue (Restrictions) should be done statewide — they should not be done county by county. It causes confusion."

Enforcement of the regulation may be too difficult, she added.

Smoking has become an incendiary issue, with some employers, including Weyco Inc. in Okemos, ordering its employees to quit smoking at work and at home — or be fired.

State Sen. Virg Bernero (D-Lansing) introduced a bill this week that will, if passed, ban this practice. The Employee Privacy Protection Act targets companies that attempt to regulate legal activities during non-working hours.

A vast majority of employees respect their employees' privacy, said Randy Hannan, Bernero's chief of staff. "But some want to push that too far."

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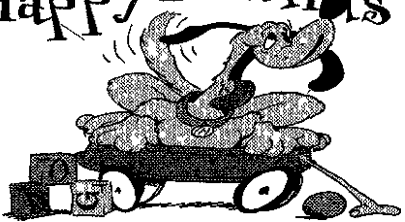
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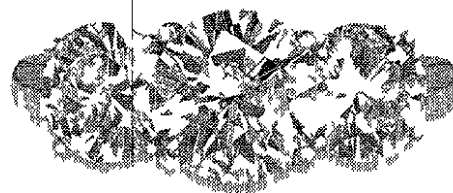
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New programs, sites swell Madonna's ranks

BY DAN WEST
STAFF WRITER

Enrollment at Michigan's public universities has declined in recent years, but that has not been the case at Madonna University.

Fueled by new academic and athletic programs, the addition of two off-campus sites and a growing number of daytime students, the Livonia-based Catholic university has seen an 18 percent boost in enrollment over the past two years. This year's student count of 4,600 is an all-time high in the institution's 58-year history.

"In the 1970s and 80s, we were focused on the student learners so we directed a lot of our schedules and energies toward evening classes for our students after work," said Ernie Nolan, Madonna's vice president for academic administration.

"Now, we've expanded some programs which are attracting more of the traditional college students from age 18-22," he added. "Over the past four or five years, we've seen this number of our traditional students grow after they were at a plateau for a long time."

A decade ago, two-thirds of Madonna's students were professional learners who typically took evening courses. However, the university started to see enrollment declines in the mid-1990s, leading administrators to try new marketing strategies.

"We've grown some markets with the help of the Internet and recruiting through the community colleges," said Frank Hribar, vice president for planning and enrollment management, who added that 68 percent of Madonna's students transfer from community colleges.

"We work aggressively with Schoolcraft, Oakland County, Wayne County and Henry Ford community colleges, to name a few," Hribar said.

Madonna also opened an off-campus facility in Southgate in 2001 and took over St. Mary's College in Orchard Lake in 2003. Hribar said those moves helped the university's growth and boosted student enrollment to the point where the ratio of professional students to traditional students is about even.

LOCAL ALTERNATIVE

Madonna has also benefitted from metro Detroit students who choose to commute to Madonna as an economic alternative to going away to out-state universities. Some 80 percent of the school's students are from Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Livingston counties.

"We've done a good job of

providing comprehensive programs and balancing our limited resources so we can minimize tuition costs for our students," said Hribar, who added that Madonna's average annual tuition cost of \$9,700 a year (\$3,200 per semester hour) is the lowest rate among Michigan private schools.

At one of the state universities, he struggled with this balance in recent years, but we've had experience doing it for a number of years," Hribar said.

Madonna, Nolan added, intensified efforts in recent years to provide a comfortable transition for freshmen entering the university. In addition to orientation courses, the school also links subject matters in history and composition assignments so new students are not overwhelmed with the new environment.

ONE-ON-ONE ATTENTION

Sophomore Heather Spooner, an education major and volleyball player from Brownstown Township, said she loved the one-on-one attention she's received from her professors.

"It seems like everyone I've met here has a lot of energy," said Spooner, 19. "When I started here, it seems like everyone here was as excited to have me as I was to come here."

Spooner added she selected Madonna for the chance to play collegiate volleyball, and because "it's far enough from home to move away but it's still a short drive home," she said.

The school's most popular educational programs are education, criminal justice, nursing and business. With the growth in students, Madonna officials plan to add more programs in the future. This year, the university added sports management, serving 50 students, and forensics science, serving 40.

"Our MBA (master's of business administration) program is growing and we hope to add more master's programs in the future," Nolan said. "We plan to add courses to certify teachers in physical education and coaching to our teacher certification program."

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Pair inducted into Plymouth Hall of Fame

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Gene Overholt was still humbled Tuesday, weeks after being notified he'd been elected to the Plymouth Hall of Fame.

"A lot of people do a lot of good things," Overholt said simply.

But not many do so much, or for so long, as Overholt, who has been in Plymouth nearly 60 years. Overholt and former Plymouth Mayor Bill Graham were inducted into the Hall of Fame Tuesday at a banquet at Atlantis Restaurant in Plymouth Township.

Graham and his wife Teri, made the trip up from their new home in South Carolina to attend the banquet. One Graham admitted he wouldn't have missed.

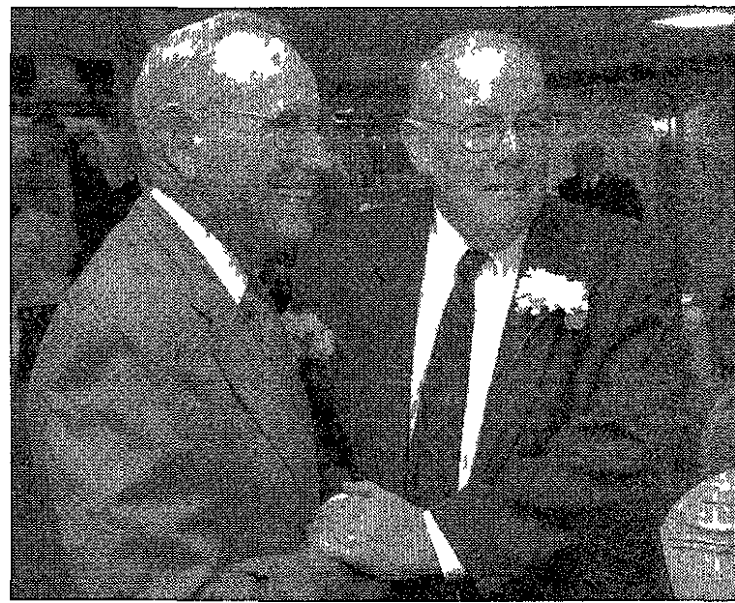
"It's surprising," admitted Graham, a former city commissioner and the city's former finance director. "I'm quite pleased, because I'm being inducted into a pretty good group of people."

Overholt and Graham were the 46th and 47th people inducted into the hall. 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 served on boards for the Plymouth Salvation Army, the Plymouth Symphony and New Morning School.

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



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Gene Overholt (left) and Bill Graham became the 46th and 47th people inducted into the Plymouth Hall of Fame at a banquet in their honor Tuesday at Atlantis Restaurant.

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.

"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."

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Museum to reveal Arab-American story

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

The Arab American National Museum will open its doors on May 5 at Michigan Avenue and Schaefer in Dearborn.

The public is invited Thursday, May 5, for the grand opening of the AANM, beginning at 5 p.m. The event is free, and will feature a night of music and celebration.

"We just want to welcome everyone to come out," said Hannan Deep, director of communications for the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services.

The new museum is a project of ACCESS, which also offers such services as employment training.

Of the 15,000 major museums in the United States, the AANM is the first to celebrate the Arab-American story.

"This is a first of its kind," Deep said. "We're getting a lot of excitement. It's quite the buzz lately."

She's had a number of media inquiries, and noted the museum has generated attention not only locally but also nationally and internationally.

The museum documents, preserves, celebrates, and

informs the public on the history, life, culture, and contributions of Arab Americans. It is a resource to enhance knowledge and understanding about Arab Americans and their presence in the United States.

A 38,500-square-foot space, the museum will function as an educational facility, an institution of preservation, and a community center, with a 158-seat auditorium, classroom space, a library/resource center, and shop. The permanent exhibitions focus on two themes: the Arab world and the Arab-American experience.

Planning began about five years ago, Deep said, with major work done in the last three years "which is a pretty short amount of time." Fund raising has taken place, with

businesses and foundation grants providing support.

The museum, 13624 Michigan Ave., can be reached at (313) 582-AANM or on the Web at www.theaanm.org. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The museum will be closed for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Admission is \$6 general, \$3 for students, seniors and children ages 5-12, free for children 5 and younger. Target sponsors free family admission with a child on Sunday.

School and group tours are available and can be arranged by calling the above number.

The first exhibit, 'In/Visible,' will open May 19.



The Arab American National Museum will open May 5.

"It's a group of Arab-American artists," she said. "Their art will be showcased."

Also, Multicultural Nights featuring an array of performers will begin in the fall, with Comerica and Ford Motor Co. as sponsors.

A fund-raising gala will be held Saturday, April 23, at the

museum. Tickets are \$250 or \$500 (which includes a VIP reception). For more information or to buy tickets for the gala, contact Barbara Logan at blogan@accesscommunity.org or (313) 842-7010.

Actor Tony Shalhoub, star of the television series *Monk*, will attend, Deep said.

Plymouth-Canton color guard holds auditions

Just barely into Spring, the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Color Guard — the flag spinning, rifle-toting, saber-slashing arm of the award-winning P-CEP Marching Band — is preparing for its fall season.

The Plymouth High School Cafeteria will be the site for workshops from 5:30-8:30 p.m., May 2-5 and May 9, with auditions at the same times in the cafeteria May 10. All current P-CEP students as well as incoming freshmen are

invited to participate.

During the summer months, Color Guard members practice weekly and attend local mini-band camps as well as the traditional six-day Camp Anne Band Camp near Traverse City the third week in August. The start of school marks the beginning of the fall season filled with local, state and regional competitions, culminating with the Bands of America National Championships in Indianapolis in November.

Color Guard is a sport which lives on as the P-CEP Winter Guard between December and April. So popular was the 2004 Color Guard that the 2005 Winter Guard was expanded to include two competition teams and sponsored a junior guard comprised of middle school students.

The Winter Guard competes without the marching band in a combination of music and dance incorporating the spinning, tossing, and

twirling of flags, rifles, and sabers. This year it participated in local and state championships and, for the first time at the Winter Guard Regional Competition in Syracuse, N.Y., and the National Championships in Dayton, Ohio. A community performance was well received the evening of March 23.

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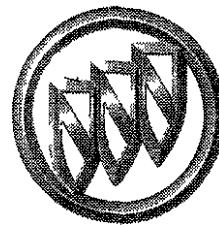
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LIBRARY

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budget, the building committee will interview construction managers, and by summer we should have a fairly firm cost estimate. I'll look at staffing to see if we can afford to do this."

Currently, the Plymouth District Library levies 1.46 operating mills from residents in Plymouth and Plymouth Township, which generates nearly \$3.2 million annually. Hugh Harsha, library board president, said money has been put aside for the expansion project over the past several years.

"We have the money, and won't have to go back to taxpayers," said Harsha. "If you buy a new house, you put money aside for such projects as expansion, a new roof, new painting. And, that's just what we've done."

"The expansion is really needed," he said. "When we built the library, we anticipated the community would grow and the use of the library would grow, so we built with the intent of adding third-floor capacity."

Thomas said preliminary plans include moving the adult reference and computer labs and nonfiction - currently on the lower level - to the newly designed third floor. That would allow for the first-floor young children's collections to be moved downstairs to the sit



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Audrey Holden browses through the DVD shelves at the Plymouth District Library, where the Board of Directors are considering plans for expanding to a third floor.

side-by-side with the older children's collections.

"Parents who come in and have children in both age groups can't supervise them on different floors, and have indicated it would be nice to have all the kids' collections on one floor," Thomas said. "Then, parents don't have to worry about the kids going into areas near the adults and disturbing them."

Thomas indicated the Teen Zone would stay on the main level, but be expanded to include more selections, group study areas and seating capacity.

Once you expand into the unfinished area, it's important to know what you will do after

that," Thomas said. "When you finish the new areas, you want to be sure they're generous enough to hold what you're doing now, and what you expect for the future."

Thomas said when the downtown library opened its doors seven years ago, circulation was at 375,000. In 2004, circulation rose to 840,000 selections.

Libraries in places like ours - in solid, middle class areas - are just getting busier with more demand for both print and electronic materials," she said. "The Internet has sparked interest in information, and it's our job to stay on top of it."

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DISTRICT

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If the offer stands, I'll take it."

The caveat, according to a Ryan memo to the district's more than 1,000 Plymouth-Canton Education Association members dated April 20, is a minimum of 70 teachers will need to sign up for this incentive in order for the offer to be officially granted.

Marchio - and his wife, Evie, a 37-year educator who teaches fourth grade at Hoben Elementary - will make the leap into retirement should the required number of teachers step forward.

It's a win-win situation. We get bonuses, they save a ton of money," said Marchio. It's purely an economic issue."

Ryan indicated the incentive will be paid over two years. The first payment of \$20,000 will be paid in January 2006, with the rest paid a year later. The offer is expected to go into effect Monday, with teachers having until June 8 to accept. A seven-day revocation period for teachers to back out will last until June 15.

According to Patricia Brand, assistant superintendent of business services, the savings for the district will kick in for the 2005-06 budget.

"With 70 people leaving at the top of the wage and benefit scale, and 70 people rehired at the first wage step, the wages and benefits saved would equal \$2.1 million," Brand said. The payment in January will cost \$1.4 million, so the net impact will be a \$700,000 reduction in expenses."

Brand said the following year, the net impact on the 2006-07 budget would be \$445,000.

When you look out from that point forward, you save in excess of \$800,000 a year, because it will take a fair amount of time for the new hires to get to the top wage scale," she said. In the end, over an eight-year time period, the district should be about \$7 million ahead."

Plymouth-Canton Schools has had five buyouts since 1992. According to PCEA President Chuck Portelli, 13 teachers took a \$30,000 incentive over an 18-month period starting in 1992. In 1995, 66 teachers accepted a \$60,000 buyout over a six-year period. In 1999, another 55 teachers received \$60,000 over six years, with 79 teachers taking the same deal in 2000. In 2003, there were 24 teachers at the top of the wage scale who accepted a \$10,000 lump sum payment to leave.

The Board of Education had reportedly discussed a \$25,000 severance package

to current contract negotiations, however, the PCEA considered the buyout a separate issue and declined to include it in talks.

Jim Angell, the Michigan Education Association Uniserv director, said several districts are currently negotiating incentives for higher-priced teachers to leave. While not knowing the financial situation of those districts, Angell did note the \$30,000 offered by Plymouth-Canton Schools is at the low end.

Ryan said the district is attempting to be fiscally responsible, but we're hoping the two-year payout is just as attractive to them.

Tom Cotner, a high school math teacher who has taught in Plymouth-Canton 34 years, earlier announced his retirement, and will receive the \$30,000 buyout.

However, Cotner - who negotiated some of the previous incentives in the district - said the amount being offered probably won't be enough to entice 70 teachers to participate.

"The trick is to have it be sufficient enough to induce people to retire, who wouldn't have retired without it," Cotner said. "If I wasn't already going to retire, I wouldn't be enticed by this package."

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REUNIONS

As space permits the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers print without charge announcements of class reunions. Send the information to Reunions, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48170. Please include the date of the reunion, one contact per school, and a telephone number.

REUNIONS

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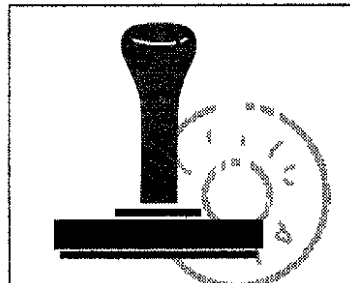
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FOR THE RECORD



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

DEATHS

B
Frank Briggs, 76, of Troy, died April 13.

C
Mark Carroll of Plymouth Township, died April 14.
John A. Cash of Livonia, died April 8.

Margrette Janice Cole, 78, of Westland, died April 14.
Carolina M. Coughlin of Livonia died April 18.

G
Jacob Glass, 90, of Auburn Hills, died April 11.

H
Frank T. Hornung, 93, died April 18.

J
Ben S. Jones, 85, formerly of Troy, died March 26.
Jola Jones of Westland, died April 7.

K
Nancy L. Kauth, 68, died April 17.

L
Helen 'Lynn' LeMarbe, 42, of Clarkston, died April 18.
Margaret W. Luchewski, of Westland, died April 18.

M
Mary McBride, 96, of Rochester Hills, died April 6.
Daniel W. Meyka, 56, of Canton, died April 19.
Lynn C. Mitchell of Canton, died April 9.
Ann L. Muckey, 77, died April 16.

P
Julie Otter Pearce, 74, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., died April 12.
Joyce L. Platt, 54, of Rochester Hills, died April 10.
Wanda Rita Procaio of Livonia, died April 17.

R
Nellie Raimer, 88, of Gainesville, Fla., formerly of Wayne, died April 1.
Margaret "Anne" Roberts, 84, of Jupiter, Fla., died March 21.

S
Russell B. Smith, 48, of Auburn Hills, died April 10.
Sharon L. Smith, 64, of Royal Oak, died April 10.

Hugh Sousa, 60, of Rochester Hills, died April 9.
Genevieve Sowinski, 82, of Rochester Hills, died April 9.

Betty Jane Talmadge, 77, of Westland, died April 11.
Paul Turley, 79, of Tennessee, formerly of Westland, died April 3.

Jeanne E. Watson, 85, of Rochester Hills, died April 11.
Judith M. Weber, of Waterford, died April 14.
Rev. John H. West, 52, of Farmington, died April 14.

Phyllis Ann "Pat" Whitton, 81, of Canton, formerly of Livonia, died April 16.

FIRE RUNS

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

Tuesday, April 19 - Vehicle accidents on Joy and at Sheldon and Brookside, grass fire on Ann Arbor Road, open burning on Beacon Hill, residential rescue runs on Pineview, on Pinetree, on Wildwing and on Marguerite, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Trail.
Monday, April 18 - Residential rescue runs on St. Andrews, on Westbriar, on Tavistock, on Northville Road and on Irvin, smoke investigation on eastbound M-14.

and Robinwood, industrial rescue run on Plymouth Road.

Sunday, April 17 - Residential rescue runs on Northville Road and on Orangelawn, special run on Garland, fire on Pinetree.

Saturday, April 16 - Residential rescue runs on Morgan, on Blanch, on Shadywood, on Forest and on Northville Road, mutual-aid-given rescue run with wash-down at 5 Mile and Haggerty, vehicle accident on Joy, industrial rescue run on N. Territorial, dumpster fire on Sheldon, investigation on Starkweather.

Friday, April 15 - Vehicle accidents on southbound I-275 at 5 Mile, vehicle accidents with wash-downs at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty and at Ann Arbor Road and Sheldon, residential rescue runs on Pearl, on Canton Center, on Farmer, on Northview and on Northville Road, investigations on Ann Arbor Road and on Newporte.

Thursday, April 14 - Vehicle accidents at Ann Arbor Trail and Haggerty and on Beck and N. Territorial, rescue run on eastbound M-14 at Beck, residential rescue runs on LeBlanc and on Maple, mutual-aid-given run at M-14 and Gottfredson, open burning on Roe, dumpster fire on Ann Arbor Road, fire on Sheldon.

Wednesday, April 13 - Vehicle accidents on eastbound M-14 west of Sheldon and on eastbound M-14 at I-275, residential rescue runs on Wildwing, on Parkview and on Strathmore, grass fire on Hines Drive, rescue run to a public building/school on S. Mill, mutual-aid-given run on I-96 east of I-275 in Livonia, rescue run on Hines Drive, investigation on Goldsmith, industrial rescue run on Keel.

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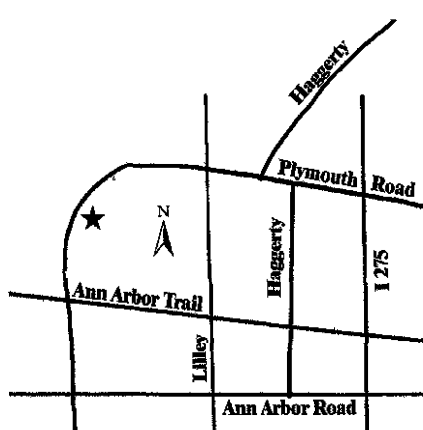
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- **PLYMOUTH LIBRARY GARDEN GROUP**, Thursday, April 21, 7 p.m. — Local gardeners meet informally to ask advice, share outdoor garden successes and solve common gardening problems. Registration is not required. For information, call the Library at (734) 453-0750, Ext. 205.
- **BROWN BAG BOOK DISCUSSION**, Wednesday, April 27, noon — Members of this book discussion group are invited to read *Reading Lolita in Tehran* by Azar Fafisi. Copies of this book are available at the circulation desk. Bring a lunch, beverages are provided. For more information about Brown Bag Books, ask at the Reader's Advisory Desk, call Dixie Cocagne at the Library, (734) 453-0750, or e-mail dcocagne@plymouthlibrary.org.

plan now to read *Make Lemonade* by Virginia Euwer Wolff. Sign up for both sessions at Reader's Advisory Desk and get a copy of the book.

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All Teen Zone programs are designed for students in grades six through 12. For programs requiring advance registration, register at the Reader's Advisory Desk or by phone, 734-453-0750, press 4. For more information about any of the Teen Zone programs, contact Cathy Lichtman, 734-453-0750, ext. 230 or clichtman@plymouthlibrary.org.

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- **BASIC INTERNET SEARCHING**, Thursday, April 28, 7-8:30 p.m. — This class for Plymouth residents will help computer users learn the basics of using the Internet. This will include an explanation of terms, use of a browser and utilizing search engines on the World Wide Web. Participants should be comfortable with the Microsoft Windows basics and using a mouse.

Youth Programs

- **BABY PLAY**, Monday, April 25, 10 and 11 a.m. and Saturday, April 30, 10 a.m. — This relatively new program is for babies ages 6-24 months. Baby Play is a less formal companion to our Lapsit program. Babies and caregivers listen to a story, followed by play with developmentally appropriate toys and interaction with other children. The Baby Play program takes place on the 4th Monday of each month and then repeated on the following Saturday. Registration is not required.
- **BOOKS & BAGELS** — Grades 6-8, Monday, April 25, 3:30 p.m. — This book discussion group will read and discuss *Fever 1763* by Laurie Halse Anderson. Sign up at the Reader's Advisory Desk and pick up the book. Grades 8-12, Monday, April 11, 3:30 p.m.

Levin: No crisis in Social Security

BY ALEX LUNDBERG
STAFF WRITER



Levin

It's not at crisis stage, he said, and even if it were, it wouldn't require Americans to revamp the entire system. The trust fund

he called fiscally and morally "irresponsible."

At the heart of the issue is a question of world view. Levin said the debate is more about whether the country wants to achieve common goals or not, one of them being protecting seniors from poverty.

"If the system is privatized, there will be winners and losers," Levin said. "If the market does well, if private accounts do better than treasury notes, there will still be winners and losers."

Brian Koss, president of the College Republicans, agreed with the senator in that it is a question of outlook.

"Levin comes from a different ideological background," he said. "He believes government should provide a social safety net. I don't believe it should. I view restrictions on the amount of money given to the government is better for the U.S."

Koss said that by creating a safety net, the federal govern-

ment was usurping the duty of families and communities to take care of their own.

Doug Merriam is a Saginaw native taking classes in public administration and public policy at Oakland. He said he suspected the hype around Social Security was more politics than reality, but the debate would be good for everyone.

"In the long run, I think Social Security will end up returning to the program it started as," he said.

"Something to provide for the basic needs of seniors rather than the main retirement program for them."

Dr. Jude Nixon is an English professor and director of the Honors College of Oakland University. He said getting a speaker like Levin is always a high priority.

"When we were informed he was coming to the area, the Honors College jumped at a chance to take ownership of the visit," he said.

While Social Security may be in need of adjustment and reworking, it is by no means at a critical, make-or-break point, Sen. Carl Levin told a gathering Monday night at Oakland University.

Levin (D-Michigan) spoke to students, faculty and community members at an event hosted by the Rochester Area Democratic Club, the Honors College of Oakland University and the school's political science department.

Levin said the fate of Social Security is the top issue before the nation outside of the Iraq war. He said the country needs to make a choice about what to do with the Depression-era program, but not right away.

"The president says there's a crisis," Levin said. He believes that atmosphere will cause people to decide to privatize.

was broke in 1982 and a bipartisan effort kept it from going under.

The difference is that now, we're in a situation where 50 years from now, Social Security will have a shortfall where it will only be able to cover 70 percent of benefits," Levin said. "It's not a crisis, it's a challenge, something to address, but not a crisis by any definition."

If anything, he said the move to privatize Social Security will make that challenge harder by moving the date of the budget shortfall closer by 12 years when \$2 trillion will have to be used to start the program — a move

'40s style dance aids wounded soldiers

BY DARRELL CLEM
STAFF WRITER

All military branches will be represented, including several soldiers wounded in the latest conflicts involving U.S. soldiers.

The cities of Westland, Garden City and Wayne already have adopted proclamations endorsing the event. The Livonia City Council has indicated it will give a vote of support, and committee members also plan to approach Redford officials.

"This is for a great cause," Stottlemeyer said.

The charity dance will benefit two organizations — the national Wounded Warriors Project and the Westland-based Veterans Haven — that are dedicated to helping soldiers and their families with housing, food, daycare, handicapped ramps and other necessities that they need but can't afford.

I want to say a word on Veterans Haven. I know they provide all the services for

A Westland committee has embarked on a plan to help wounded U.S. soldiers returning home from Iraq and Afghanistan.

Westland City Councilman Robert Stottlemeyer, committee leader, has announced a 'Back to the '40s' charity dance scheduled for 4-11 p.m. Sunday, June 5, at Burton Manor in Livonia.

"I've always been ticked off at what happened to the troops when they came home from Vietnam and the way they were treated," Stottlemeyer said. "I didn't want the troops coming home from Iraq and Afghanistan to feel like nobody cares."

The '40s dance will cost \$30 a person. Stottlemeyer said it will feature the Glenn Miller Orchestra, an Andrew Sisters-style group called Satin Dolls and the U.S. Army Reserve Band.

free — 100 percent that goes in goes out," said Garden City Councilman William Kaledas. "Please try to attend. It's important to the returning soldiers."

Stottlemeyer, wife Betty and other committee members hope to sell out the 1,800-seat Burton Manor and raise as much money as possible to help wounded troops.

They're advertising the event by putting up posters around the area, and senior citizens at the Westland Friendship Center also made pin-on buttons to promote it.

Stottlemeyer credited corporate donations with helping to cover the event's costs. Moreover, other proceeds will come from ticket sales and a silent auction organized by committee members Georgia Becker, Jo Johnson and Pat Mitchell.

On Tuesday, Becker said bids already are being accepted and will continue through the evening of the "Back to the '40s" dance.

"Right now, we have 39 items (for bid) in the book," Becker said. "We're still getting items donated, and we've already had some people bidding on different items."

Some items include four Detroit Tigers baseball tickets with free parking, a gold ring, Meadow Brook Theatre tickets, an \$100 tab for Mary Denning's Cake Shoppe, Macomb Center for the

Performing Arts tickets, Showcase Cinema passes, a \$225 gold bracelet, a T-shirt autographed by racecar driver Bobby Rahal, and autographed pictures of racer Richard Petty and actor John Travolta, among many other items.

"I just wrote John Travolta a letter, and he sent a picture," Becker said. "Isn't that cool? Everybody has been really generous in giving items for the silent auction."

To bid on items or for more information about the auction, call Becker at (734) 729-1605.

Organizers say that the "Back to the '40s" event isn't intended as political, but only to show support for troops — regardless of whether those attending favor or oppose U.S. involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Veterans Haven President Vince Berna sent out a letter seeking support for the charity event.

"You may not agree with the war," he wrote, "but we must support the troops."

Tickets are available at Burton Manor, 27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia; the Hellenic Cultural Center, on Joy east of Newburgh in Westland, at Veterans Haven Outreach Center, 4924 S. Wayne Road in Wayne, or by calling (734) 721-4594.

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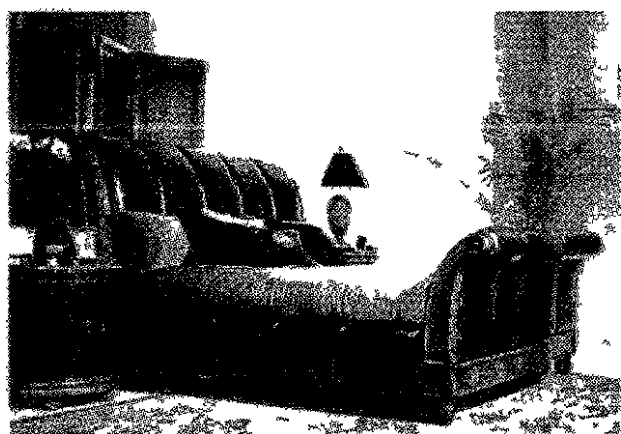
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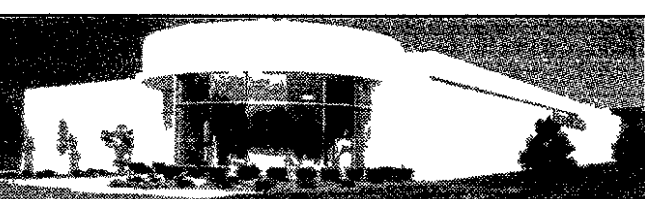
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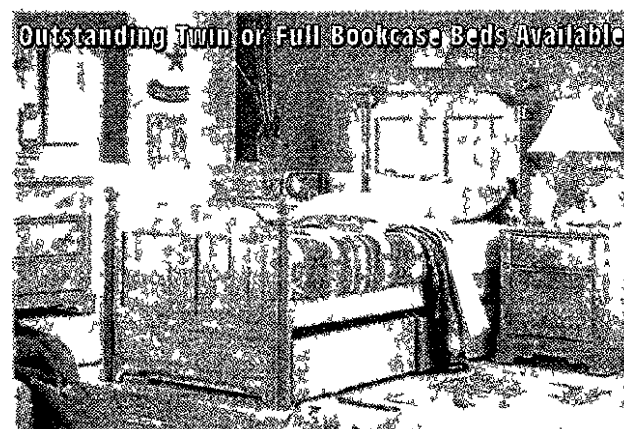
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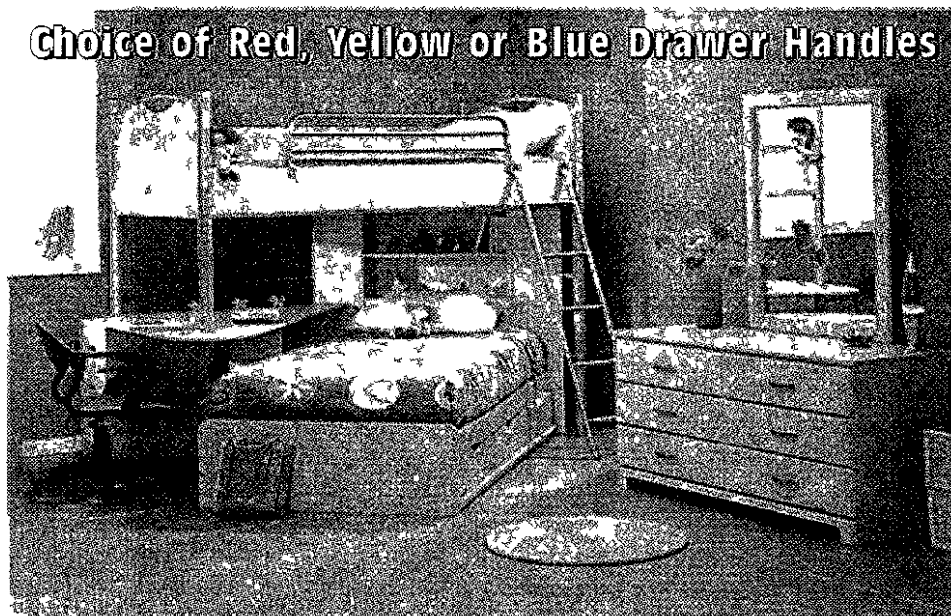
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Publisher, others step to the plate

One frequently hears sports managers and coaches, when discussing dealing with the loss of a key player, say other players must "step up to the plate," a sports idiom meaning the others must accept responsibility for keeping the team afloat.

Plymouth publisher Patrick Olson and others are proving that axiom isn't appropriate solely in the sports world.

Olson, founder of Hayden-McNeil Publishing Inc., put his Patrick and Patricia Olson Foundation out in front of a month-long book drive aimed at putting 100 books in each of the Plymouth-Canton school district's 350 K-5 classrooms.

That's 35,000 books Olson wants to put in the hands of youngsters across the district. And Olson has pledged to make up any shortfall of books not donated during the book drive.

School district officials figure Olson is putting himself on the hook for anywhere from \$200,000 to \$500,000. He's willing, he said, because so many of the things that compete for our children's attention are unhealthy and, frankly, not useful.

Olson knows getting kids to focus on reading can be tough. It's a habit best acquired early, and if he can help teachers in their efforts to build that habit in children, all the better.

Penny Joy, the district's K-12 curriculum coordinator for language arts and social studies, points out research shows classroom libraries should have 25 books per child. That's 600 books for a classroom with 24 students, a total of 210,000 books for a project this size. This book drive isn't about to hit that figure, but that's not the point.

The point is, the district has a need, and Olson stepped up to help fill it.

He's not the only one "stepping up." The Friends of the Penn are making it their mission to save the historic Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth from a potential date with a wrecking ball. The group, a grass-roots effort started by Plymouth resident Jennifer Philpot-Munson, is growing almost daily in support, and its efforts to raise awareness and — more importantly — money are beginning to produce results.

The group is suddenly in competition with Redemption Ministries, International, the church ministry currently leasing the Penn, to see which group can save the theater. Both groups seem to have similar plans for the theater, and a joint venture of some kind would seem prudent.

Citizens in both instances are "stepping up to the plate," meaning our children will have books to read and our town could still have a historic treasure many consider the face of Plymouth. In our book, that's a home run.

We can all support the environment

Friday is Earth Day and no matter what your political preference or religious belief, the environment is an issue we can all support.

We salute the early champions of conservation and the voices who lobbied for clean water and clear air legislation throughout the decades that has improved the quality of life for all.

Local Earth Day events for many years centered around recycling — bottles, cans, plastic and paper.

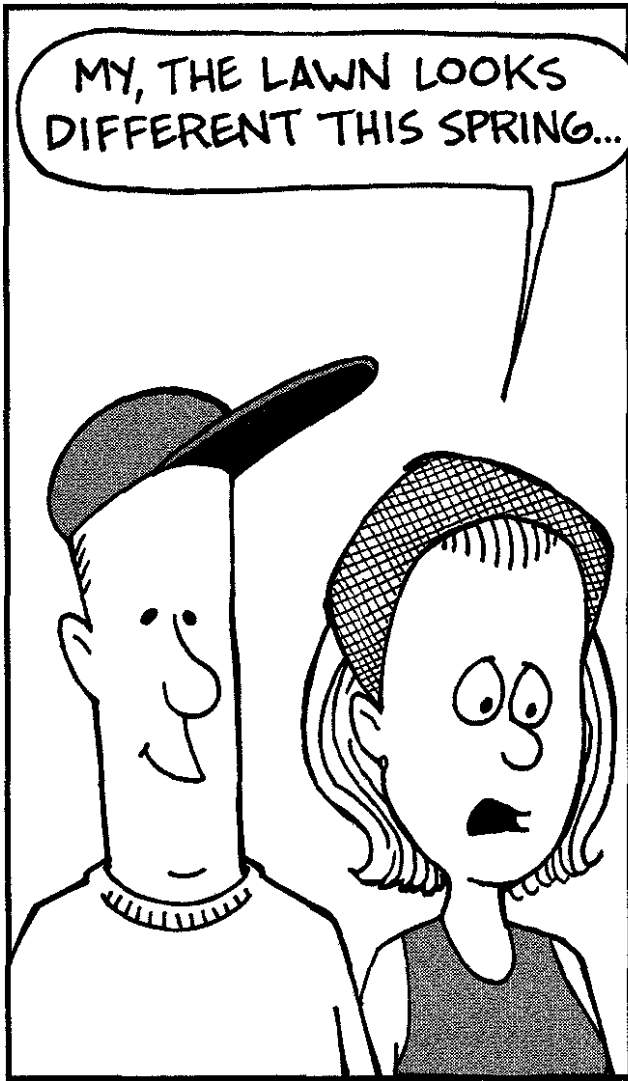
In our high-tech world, it's also about recycling and reusing the new tools of life in 2005 — cell phones. So don't toss that old phone in the trash.

One cell phone company, Verizon Wireless, will be collecting used cell phones Friday to mark the 35th anniversary of Earth Day.

The company's HopeLine program benefits from the collection of wireless phones and accessories from any wireless service provider. Most of the phones and equipment are refurbished and sold. The proceeds are used to purchase newer wireless phones for domestic violence survivors and to support domestic violence shelters and organizations. The others are recycled in an environmentally friendly way.

In 2004, consumers throughout the U.S. donated more than 1.6 million phones to HopeLine, of which 140,000 phones were recycled, according to Verizon. That means more than 200 tons of electronics waste and batteries have been kept out of landfills.

Earth Day 2005 is the perfect time to start making a difference. Whether you take a walk and enjoy nature, plant a tree, or renew a pledge to reuse and recycle household items — include that old cell phone, too — take time to reflect and enjoy the outdoors and pledge to preserve Mother Earth.



LETTERS

Wake-up call

During Plymouth Township's last two elections, (the purchase of bonds for the Township Hall and the election for supervisor), I was quoted in the newspaper and said in the debate that the current administration couldn't build the Township Hall without it being over-budget and that they couldn't pay for this without raising our taxes because of all the spending they have been doing for the last four years.

Six months after the election we are now \$1.1 million over budget on our new hall, (which keeps growing every day). The board made pledges and promises to Plymouth Township voters in the literature they put out during the elections saying, "We will not raise your taxes, no new taxes we can do it without a tax increase."

Now they want the voters to approve a tax increase on May 3, an increase of 0.3 mills. I say let's make them keep their promises, let them do it all without a tax increase.

During the election they bragged about all the belt-tightening, budget cutting, sound investments, how excellent fiscal managers they have been, and that they had over \$5 million dollars saved, then why do we need an increase?

When our officials want a tax increase they threaten to lay off employees, and when they want to get re-elected they brag about all the money they have spent. When will they learn to just live within their budget like they should?

If this gets voted down they said they would bring it before the people in August or November for just the renewal alone. Our officials have no problem wasting our money on a second election, I asked them to word it as two separate issues in this election so we could vote on each one separately. No, they want you to have no choice, it's all or nothing this time.

The board made such a big issue of the cost of an election when I made them do just one for the new township hall. What hypocrites. I ask that you vote NO on this increase because either way there will be lay-offs, they keep spending more than they take in. I keep saying this, but no one seems to care.

Don Schnettler
Plymouth Township

Think of people

(Phil Powers's) suggestion to analyze our Michigan situation like the thinking of a CEO ("Wanted: Bold leaders to suggest sweeping changes," *Observer*, April 7) is excellent.

Then our Legislature would have to forget what party they represent and do what is good for the state, not think of their ego, or re-election possibility.

What might be a thought is elect people who are older and are not in office to enhance themselves. For instance, people who took early retirement. Such as educators, managers, accountants and small business owners. These people have real business sense and not theories. I am a native Michigan citizen and

very disappointed in the situation we are in. My dad would always say, "The unions will run this country."

I look forward to your columns on all subjects.

Tony Wisniewski
Plymouth

Support the Penn

Of course, there is unbelievable public support for preserving the Penn Theatre. I have yet to speak with a single person that is not interested in preserving the theater, and that is not willing to back it with financial support.

Kellie Kuhn
Plymouth

No city support

I was pleased to see (Plymouth Mayor Stella Greene) at the (Friends of the Penn) meeting last Sunday night, Envision the Penn at the Masonic Temple in our downtown. I would have liked to hear her speak about the Penn as well.

But, really, the point of this letter is to ask about the "tight" resolution the city commissioners gave about the Friends of the Penn. It was made very clear that you would not be giving any financial aid to this endeavor. OK, so the city does not have the money. But why was I left with the impression that the city was mainly concerned that it clearly would, in no way, shape or form be helping this group with any money at all, no matter what?

I mean, what the heck is our city all about? Moving Subway stores in and office supply stores out? It seems to me that you could have stated the whole thing much more positively. For instance, saying that you were thrilled that this group had formed to save the Penn and that you would do anything at all that you could do to help them, but that you just did not have any money right now to help financially.

The same intent is there, however, that resolution or statement would have been so much more supportive to all the people who are working their butts off to save our town. Whoever saves that theater, or helps, will be a friend of Plymouth for sure, forever because, once again, if we lose the Penn, we will lose Plymouth.

What do you want to see happen? How do you think it should work, not that the city has gotten involved at all in this effort. Was the city just going to let the Penn go? Seems like it to me.

Elaine Attridge
Plymouth

Saving the Penn

Saving the Penn Theatre is probably the most important issue Plymouth has faced in the last 10 years. As an attraction for both locals and visitors, young and old, it holds a key place in our downtown. We must save it. The history of Plymouth is in that building more than any other in this town.

The building itself is very intact. Its uses as a movie and event facility are as viable as ever. But, most importantly, it

has the potential to serve the community for many years to come, providing a multi-use entertainment facility that Plymouth cannot afford to lose.

I attended the "Friends of the Penn" meeting at the Masonic last Sunday. The group of seven board members made various well-planned presentations. The recording of Lloyd Oliver ("the Voice of the Penn Theatre" recordings for 20 years!) and the clips from the movie *The Majestic* with Jim Carrey were both humorous and on point.

At the end was a Q&A session. A few questions had been answered when someone (a genius, whoever you were!) asked the FOP board, "Why do you want to save the Penn?"

Now, I was ready for the usual bit, re-iterating the same lines of what had been already discussed. Instead, like in *The Majestic* movie (worth seeing now, by the way) a magical moment occurred. Each board member stepped cautiously up to the microphone, thought for a second or two, and put forth the most personal and touching reasons one could imagine.

Each was unique. Some remembered going there as a child. Some had moved away and recently returned to Plymouth to raise families. Another located here from a foreign land, and found Plymouth to be a perfect home. Another said historic preservation is important in small towns and makes them attractive.

FOP Community Awareness Committee chair Ellen Elhot started to speak about growing up in Plymouth, too. But she stopped and called out to her son and daughter who were in the back of the room. They came forward. And, with her arms around her kids, her voice breaking just a little, she said, "This is why I want to save the Penn. I went there, and I want them to go, too."

Well, I don't have any kids, but I'll sure go along with Ellen on that. The Penn can certainly offer a lot to kids as well as adults.

Let's start a new day for historic preservation in Plymouth. If you have not yet, visit www.friendsofthepenn.org and make a donation or sign up for a committee or just get informed.

Mark Oppat
Old Village

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— Alan Helmkamp, assistant Wayne County executive for government relations, on the status of the Sheldon Road underpass project

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Controlling nuisance species needs to be region's top priority

When you look at images of Earth taken from outer space, our Michigan stands out clearly, wrapped entirely in the gorgeous blue of the Great Lakes. They define our state as nothing else. They contain fully one-quarter of all the fresh water in the world. And, I suspect, the resources their water offers holds much of the long-term economic future of our state.

But our entire ecosystem is now being threatened by the introduction of critters like the zebra mussel, the sea lamprey, the spiny water flea and a pest fish called the Eurasian ruffe. To date, there are 162 of these aquatic nuisance species (ANS), with new species being discovered every eight months. Most of them originate elsewhere and are carried to the Great Lakes in the ballast water of ocean-going freighters. Because they originate outside the Great Lakes ecosystem, when they arrive here they find few natural predators, and so they spread like well, zebra mussels.

Every serious study has concluded that drastic action must be taken to end these invasions to maintain the health of the lakes and to save the fishery and recreation industries. Sadly, governmental efforts to do so have run the gamut from the laughably ineffective to the scandalously foot-dragging.

The National Invasive Species Act, for example, says ballast exchange or treatment is required before ships enter the Great Lakes. But if the ship captain declares there is no ballast on board, there is no inspection and the ship sails on. Worse, the feds recently turned enforcement over to the Coast Guard, whose first priority is not, by any means, things environmental.

On the state level, Michigan's Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act gives the Department of Environmental Quality the authority to control pollution of any sort in the Great Lakes. But the DEQ says it can't enforce the act with respect to ballast water because it doesn't have the money and there is no unified basin-wide approach to the regulations.

But there are two recent pieces of good news. Last month, a federal judge in San Francisco ruled the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency must regulate discharges from ships ballast tanks. The lawsuit arose from environmental groups in the area which are dismayed that the bay is being inundated by exotic species from abroad.

Encouragingly, however, attorneys general from all eight Great Lakes states and both political parties also filed supportive friend-of-the-court briefs. Plainly, the ruling also affects shipping in the Great Lakes.

One might have hoped the EPA would promptly have begun figuring out how to make sure ballast tanks are being treated to make sure no living organisms survive after discharge. But no such luck: the EPA says it's studying its options, which means it is likely to appeal the decision.

So while Washington dithers, it makes much more sense to try to move the action to the states that actually know where the Great Lakes are. A sensible and capable state senator, Patty Birkholz (R-Saugatuck), has introduced legislation that would authorize the Michigan DEQ to enter into an agreement with other Great Lakes states and Canadian provinces to create the Great Lakes Aquatic Nuisance Coalition. This group then would be charged with eliminating biological pollution in the Great Lakes.

Aquatic nuisance species are a major threat to the ecosystem of the Great Lakes and they need to be stopped before they wipe out the native fish and wildlife," Birkholz says.

That coalition then could encourage states throughout the region to adopt uniform laws governing biological pollution. With a uniform standard in place, each state (or Canadian province) could enforce treatment of overseas ballast water without having to depend on the feds.

When I spoke with Birkholz last week, she was pumped up about the possibilities.

"We just had a joint meeting of the relevant House and Senate committees," she said. "Andy Buchsbaum, state head of the National Wildlife Federation, presented compelling evidence of the ANS threat. Both Steve Chester, head of the state DEQ, and Ken DeBeaussart, head of the Office of the Great Lakes, endorsed the legislation. It's great to have both the Legislature and the administration on the same page."

Birkholz is also beating the regional bushes, talking with other Great Lakes basin policy makers. "Everybody I've talked to — legislators, governors, attorneys general, conservation people — likes the idea."

Of course, the big question is where the money to pay for enforcement comes from. Birkholz fears the feds probably won't spring for it, something that is sad, but likely true, given the current priorities in Washington.

So I have a modest suggestion for this active and well-intentioned senator: raise the money by charging a steep duty on contaminated ship ballast. Require shipping companies to pay, say, \$10,000 per vial of water taken from any of their vessels.

Present the evidence of violation to a relevant attorney general — then stand back and watch the fur, or at least ballast water, fly!

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Phil Power

Youth Leadership program helps kids develop their sense of community

With apologies to whomever said it first for mangling the quote, it indeed takes an entire village to raise a child.

And, while the axiom is true, at some point the children raised by the village will be the ones assuming the mantle of leadership and will be the ones doing the raising.

With so much of our future tied to our children, it only makes sense to be sure they're given the kinds of leadership skills they'll need when they assume the burden. That's where programs like Youth Leadership Plymouth come in.

YLP is a five-year-old program aimed at eighth-graders in the Plymouth community, from public and private schools, who express an interest in making their communities a better place.

The program includes eight sessions during which kids are taught the value of team-building, community service, business, vocation and education, and about the courts and law enforcement.

Jeanne Knopf DeRoche of the Knopf Co., chair of the Youth Leadership Committee, has been intimately involved with YLP since its inception. She's seen it grow, from fewer than 30 students the first year to more than 40 this last class, and she thinks it's been a huge benefit to the community.

"Research shows kids who are connected to their community and feel the community needs them are less likely to drop out of school, less likely to use alcohol or drugs and less likely to get in trouble with the law," Knopf DeRoche said.

In addition to going through the various sessions, YLP students agree to take on community service projects as ninth-graders.

Those projects, and the students who commit to them, are part of what makes Plymouth such a 'beautiful community,' according to Mayor Stella Greene, also a big contributor to the YLP program.

It's the whole idea, she said, behind YLP: Motivate youth to become active participants in the community.

It enables us to take the leaders of tomorrow and teach them what a great community we have, to educate them on what we've got available right here in their own back yard and how they can contribute to maintaining and enhancing that quality of life," Greene said.

As potential leaders, they can make sure we maintain the quality of life we value."

The program does that by using examples of community leadership in their sessions. Judges at the 35th District Court take the time to explain the legal system. Officials at the two police departments volunteer to talk about law enforcement.

Community leaders like Knopf DeRoche, Greene and Beth Stewart at the Plymouth Historical Museum are also front-and-center in

the teaching process.

"(YLP) enables us to take these young people who show the capacity and give them role models, people who have done things in the community, whether it's civic groups, political leaders or educators, and give them really good tools to help them help their peers contribute," Greene said.

"That's what leadership is all about, using the skills they have to build a better community."

The program has been popular. The first class of eighth-graders are now seniors in high school, and many have siblings who have followed them through the program. Many have joined groups like Interact, the high school extension of Rotary.

"We now have many families where the older sibling tells the younger siblings, 'You have to get involved in this,'" Knopf DeRoche said.

This year's program — the class "graduates" May 19 — is sponsored by both the township and city, all three Kiwanis Clubs, both Rotary Clubs, Plymouth-Canton schools, Schoolcraft College, St. Joseph Mercy Health Care System and the Knopf Co.

Much of that support comes in the form of "in-kind" sponsorships, with much of the actual monetary support coming in the form of grants. The program recently got a grant from Visteon, and an application for grant money from Marshall Field's is on its way.

It takes about \$40,000 to run the program. YLP officials would love to see local businesses contributing, because it's an investment in the long-term health of the community.

"The chamber can't fund it by themselves, and they shouldn't be expected to because this goes beyond the chamber," Greene said. "This goes to individuals, civic groups, the educational community — they all gain by having kids who participate in the community, who are doing positive things in the community."

"We're looking for positive ways to get kids involved in the community, and this is a perfect example," Greene added. "We have to show we care about them being a part of the community."

Businesses interested in supporting Youth Leadership Plymouth can do so by contacting the chamber, (734) 453-1540, or the Knopf Co., (734) 455-4343. Greene hopes businesses will do just that.

"With a little bit of effort, we see a tremendous result," Greene said. "Every year, they do better and better things. I don't think we would have had kids who thought they had the ability to do something like replace the fountain (in Kellogg Park) if they hadn't learned they have the leadership skills they learned in the program."

"It empowered them to make a substantial contribution to the community," she added. "Isn't that dynamic? When kids contribute positively, the adults have a responsibility to step up and acknowledge it."

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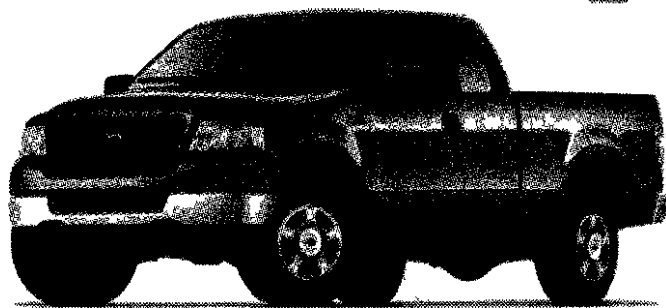
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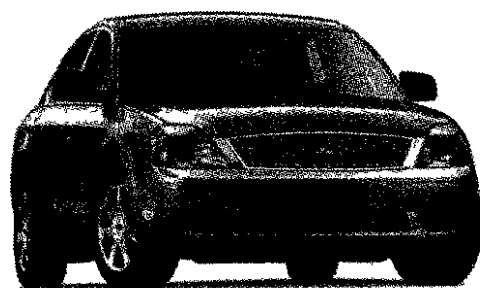
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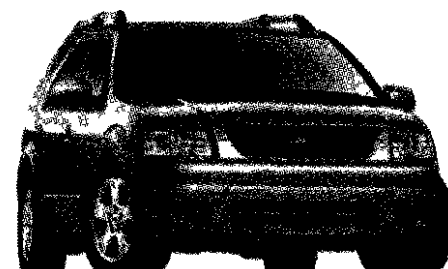
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Here's the dirt

Get your garden ready to plant

BY SANDRA DALKA-PRYSBY
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The warm weather has finally arrived or so we hope. Now's the time to rush to the nursery or garden shop and pick up the flowers and vegetables that will transform our grounds into areas of bountiful beauty.

But wait!

If we don't prepare the gardens first, we won't have success with our flowers and vegetables, said Heather DeRuiter, perennial manager at Bordine Nursery in Rochester Hills. Getting your garden ready requires three easy steps: cleaning up, incorporating organic matter into the soil and fertilizing, according to DeRuiter, who earned a bachelor of science degree in horticulture from Michigan State University.

You should not only clean up the dead foliage and leaves, but cut back the stalks on perennial plants and tall grasses to approximately four inches from the ground, DeRuiter said.

"Be careful that you don't cut down or damage the new growth," she said. And don't cut the short perennial grasses. If you do, they'll look like they have a bad haircut all season.

Instead of disposing of dead foliage, leaves and cuttings, add them to your compost pile or, if you don't have one, these materials can be the start of one, DeRuiter said.

MAKE YOUR OWN COMPOST

Making your own compost is an easy thing to do and provides an environmentally friendly way to nurture your plants and soil, said Jackie Luuzzo, a 23-year Bordine employee and manager of the Rochester Hills garden store.

Luuzzo suggests you check city regulations before starting your compost, which can be made in a bin purchased for just this purpose or one you make yourself. In either case, the bin must provide good aeration to create high-quality compost.

Once you have a bin, add dead foliage, leaves, garden and grass cuttings - anything that hasn't been treated with weed killer - as well as kitchen wastes, such as fruits, vegetables, coffee grounds and egg shells.

"You can put just about anything in the compost bin with the exception of diseased (such as from fungi) and protein material, such as animal products," said Luuzzo. "Also, do not put pet waste, fats, trash and plastic in your compost."

Mix the compost well every day and each time yard waste and other decomposable materials are added. (Tumbling compost bins are available to make this task easier.)

Check the moisture level. The compost needs to be kept damp, but not soggy.

Following these steps, it will take between three and four weeks to make garden-ready compost.

Now that you've cleaned up your garden and added to or started a compost, the next step is to spread a two-inch layer of top soil, peat, manure or other organic matter, such as compost, on top of your existing soil. This new material can be left on top or, better yet, according to DeRuiter, worked into the top four to six inches of the soil. "This will help nurture existing and new plants, hold moisture better and aerate the soil," she said.

The final step in preparing your garden is adding fertilizer, especially around plants, shrubs and trees. The extra boost of nutrients provided by fertilizers will help produce stronger and more luscious garden stock. It is important, however, to determine how much and what type of fertilizer your garden needs.

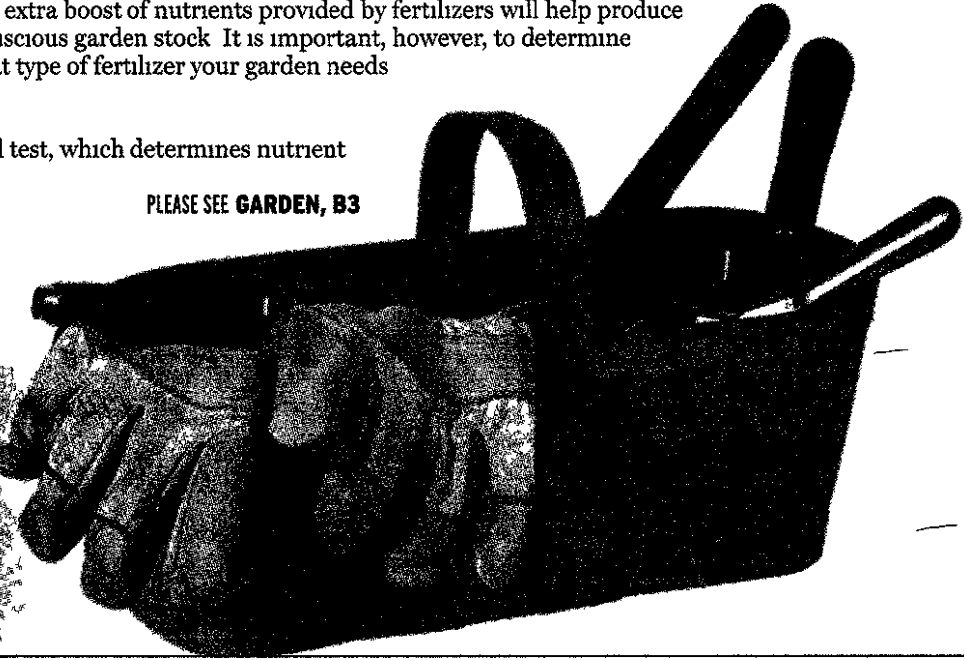
SOIL TEST

A soil test, which determines nutrient

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'If your dog digs up your garden, or if something else destroys your plants throughout the growing season, you'll have plants of the same size to make repairs.'

Alyce Humphrey of Graye's Greenhouse, on why it's important to maintain some potted plants



Accents



LISA ABITBOL, WGBH

Norm Abram created this Adirondack chair featured in the New Yankee Workshop contest.

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Preservation Month

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is seeking submissions to its national online Preservation Month Calendar of Events, from organizations and individuals hosting events and activities to celebrate Preservation Month in May.

Since the National Trust created Preservation Week in 1971 to spotlight preservation efforts, it has grown into an annual celebration observed by small towns and big cities. Due to the celebration's popularity, the National Trust extended the celebration to the entire month of May and declared it Preservation Month. The theme for Preservation Month echoes the theme of the 2004 National Preservation Conference, Restore America Communities at a Crossroads.

Throughout May, the National Trust will focus on four areas of the preservation movement: Preservation at Home, Historic Travel, Heritage Education, and Diversity of Preservation - and celebrate historic preservation with a wide variety of events. The events will include historic home tours, award receptions, architectural walking tours, family restoration scavenger hunts, home restoration lectures, home and garden shows, and colonial May fairs.

To find out about activities, or to submit activities, events and celebrations to the online calendar, visit the National Trust's Web site, www.nationaltrust.org.

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Follow steps to replace ceramic tile

A ceramic tile floor can add beauty and value to your home. Ceramic tiles are easy to care for, and very durable. That is at least until something hard and heavy is dropped on them. If this happens, even the best tiles will likely crack.



Ask Dad
Harry Jachym

Individual ceramic tiles are not as hard to replace as one might think. Most people, even with minimal DIY experience can do it.

The tools you will need for this project are eye protection (safety goggles), a grout removal tool (also called a grout rake or a grout saw, which can be rented or purchased where tile supplies are sold), hammer, narrow (1/4-inch to 3/8-inch) cold chisel, an electric (corded or cordless) drill with a 1/16- to 1/4-inch masonry bit, trowel with 1/4-inch notches (optional), and grout float (optional).

The materials you need are tile (which can match existing tile or you can contrast it), thinset mortar and matching grout. (If you don't have any replacement tiles in your home, try a large tile supply for a match or purchase a contrasting tile to add interest to

the room. You may want to replace several tiles to make the contrasting tile look like it was planned.)

The first, and most important step in replacing a broken ceramic tile, is to put on safety glasses. During most steps you will be creating flying pieces of tile and grout. A pair of leather work gloves should also be considered.

Scrape the grout away from the joints surrounding the broken tile using the grout saw. The grout saw has a carbide tipped blade and will easily scratch the surface of adjacent tiles, so be careful not to scratch them. Covering the adjacent tiles with masking tape or duct tape will help protect the surface of the good tiles during this process, and following steps.

Drill several holes into the broken tile using the masonry bit. This will make the broken tile pieces easier to remove.

Remove the broken pieces from the substrate using gentle taps from the hammer on the chisel. Work from the center toward the edges. In a pinch, a screwdriver can be used instead of a chisel, but be very careful not to break the handle of the screwdriver. Start the chisel by holding it at about a 90-degree angle to the floor until you break through the glazing then hold it at about a 45-degree angle to the floor to remove the tile pieces.

When the tile pieces are removed, use a putty knife or

wide chisel to clean all to mortar or adhesive from the substrate. Vacuum all the debris from the area.

Put a small amount of thin set mortar on the substrate and the back of replacement tile using the notched trowel. If you are replacing a very small tile, just put the thin set on the tile. You can fabricate a notched trowel by cutting or filing grooves in a putty knife, a piece of plastic or something similar. Press the piece of tile in place, level it to the surrounding pieces and adjust the spacing to be equal all around.

The mortar will set in a couple of hours, but it's best to wait overnight before placing the grout. Mix the grout according to manufacturer specifications and work into the joints with the grout float or other tool. For a small job, even your finger will work. Let the grout harden for about 15 to 30 minutes. Wipe off the excess with a damp sponge.

After several hours, buff the grout haze off the tiles with a dry cloth. Don't walk on the area for at least 24 hours.

Now you've got new tile.

Harry Jachym writes Ask Dad a column on home issues ranging from repairs and maintenance to building and remodeling projects. He is a Plymouth resident. Send any questions or comments to Jachym at askdad@comcast.net or in care of Ken Abramczyk, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 805 E. Maple, Birmingham 48009.

GARDEN

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levels already in your soil, is the best way to learn what your garden or lawn needs. Over-application of fertilizer can pollute water resources, ruin plants and waste money.

Now through April 23, Bordine Nursery is offering soil testing kits through the MSU Extension Service. A kit with instructions is available at the Rochester Hills and Clarkston stores for \$13. The price includes delivery of your soil sample to the MSU soil-testing laboratory. Test results will be returned in time for gardening activities.

For a list of other participating retailers, call Oakland MSU Extension at (248) 858-0880, Wayne MSU Extension at (313) 833-3275, or SOCWA at (248) 288-5150.

DeRutter said that after completing the three steps for getting your garden ready this spring, you shouldn't rush to plant your flowers and vegetables. To assure that the ground is ready and there's less of a chance of frost, we recommend waiting until May 20 to plant your garden," she said.

Alyce Humphrey of Graye's Greenhouse in Plymouth Township said that Memorial Day is an even safer marker for planting. By waiting until then you can be assured that the weather won't damage your plants," Humphrey said. "For those eager to begin their gardens, or those who are worried that the plants they want will be out of stock, they can begin their gardens earlier in pots." Humphrey plants her own garden stock in pots on her

patio inside a frame of chicken wire and plastic. If frost is predicted, she covers the top with plastic.

READY TO REPLACE

Humphrey, whose father started the greenhouse at the corner of Joy and Lilley roads almost 50 years ago (her mother, Sylvia Graye, age 89, continues to aid in the operation when her health permits), added that it's important to leave some of the plants in pots when you plant your garden. This provides replacement plants if needed.

If your dog digs up your garden, or if something else destroys your plants throughout the growing season, you'll have plants of the same size to make repairs," Humphrey said.

She added that potted flowers can provide a good solution in areas where it is impossible to grow anything. "You can still have the flowers and the colors you want in those areas with potted plants."

Humphrey offered another solution for areas that are difficult to grow plants in, such as those with above-ground trees, roots, bumps or poor soil. She suggested filling garbage bags with dirt and poking holes in the bottom for drainage. Poke holes in the top and plant flowers in these holes.

To water the flowers, cut the bottom off an empty two-liter pop bottle to make a funnel. Stuck the top of the bottle into a hole in the bag and pour in water. "It doesn't take long for the flowers to expand and cover the bag," Humphrey said.

She added that the beauty of this growing method is that the bag can be shaped to fit the area.

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- Grave's Greenhouse 8820 Lilley in Plymouth Township, (734) 453-1220
- Plymouth Nursery and Garden Center 9900 Ann Arbor-Plymouth Road, Superior Township, (734) 453-5500
- Steinkopf's Nursery 20815 Farmington Road, Farmington Hills, (248) 474-2925
- Tellys Greenhouse and Garden Center 3301 John R in Troy, (248) 689-6036.

Another of her suggestions is when purchasing planting stock, don't think big. "Most times when the flowers or plants you buy are big, they're at their peak. It's only downhill from there."

Buy smaller plants and with patience and observation, you can appreciate all the moments and changing appearance of your garden as it grows."

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GARDEN CALENDAR

Sense of humor
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Topics will include healthy soils soil nutrient testing for Rouge water quality making compost the easy way and using compost for a beautiful garden.

Pruning, fertilizing
Roger and Nancy Lindley owners of Great Lakes Roses are celebrating spring with a series of free programs open to the public.

Each presentation will last about 1 1/2 hours. Dress for the weather. Reservations aren't required. Great Lakes Roses is at 49875 Willow Road between Rawsonville and Sumpter (Belleville) Roads in Sumpter Township just south of Belleville. To learn about its roses visit www.GreatLakesRoses.com or call (734) 461 1230 anytime to request a flier.

Pruning and Fertilizing of Roses a popular hands on demonstration in the display garden of Great Lakes Roses will take place rain or shine 1 p.m. Sunday April 24 (repeated 11 a.m. Monday April 25 and May 2 and 1 p.m. Sunday May 1).

Common sense lawn
The city of Westland will sponsor a free program The Common Sense Lawn and Landscape 7 30 p.m. Monday April 25 at the Westland Friendship Center 119 N. Newburgh. Tom Smith director of the Michigan Turfgrass Foundation will speak on learning from nature Rouge friendly lawn care managing weeds without pesticides and native wildflowers for tough spots.

To register call (734) 467 3198 weekdays or e mail LFDean@aol.com

Iris Club of Southeast Michigan
The Iris Club of Southeast Michigan will have a general meeting 7 30 p.m. Thursday April 28 at the Royal Oak Senior Community Center (phone (248) 246 3900) 3500 Marais three blocks east of Crooks and three blocks north of 13 Mile Road.

The program will be Create Your Own Garden Plaque with Paula Kraus. Cost is \$9 for members \$18 for non members.

Reservations are needed so enough clay will be provided contact Margaret Perdue at (248) 547 4380 margretperdue@yahoo.com. Bring your imagination and a design (an 8 by 10 inch drawing photo or picture) to create your own terra cotta garden plaque or bird feeder. Past participants have brought coloring book pages or blown up copies of a plaque design found in a book magazine or garden art catalog as well as their own designs. You will use this design to transfer the image to clay in proportion to the slab size. Most people trace the outline of the image on the clay.

You may also want to bring any open top cookie cutters rubber stamps (some don't work) textured fabric or found objects to imprint a design into the clay which will enhance your design. Dress to play. For more information call Ann at (248) 280 0848 between 9 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Practical gardening
An overview of the what why and how of gardening procedures a must for the beginning gardener will be featured in Practical Gardening Tips a class scheduled Thursday April 28 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. The class will cover planting watering weeding mulching deadheading transplanting staking cutting back and winterizing. Instructor Gail Morrell a past president of the Troy Garden Club has been head gardener for several estates in Bloomfield Hills. She has been an instructor for the Michigan School of Gardening since 1999.

MBH Garden Club
Oakland University's Meadow Brook Hall Garden Club will meet 10 a.m. Friday April 29 in the Coach House adjacent to Meadow Brook Hall on the OU campus in Rochester. Mary Jo Grohs will speak on What's New in Annuals and Perennials. Carol Lenchek Oakland County education coordinator of the Michigan State Extension Master Gardener Program will also speak.

Non member donation \$5. Reservations aren't required. For more information call (248) 299 3948 or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org

Native naturescaping
A healthy lawns and gardens program Naturescaping with Native Trees and Shrubs will take place 9 11:15 a.m. Saturday April 30 in the Lathrup Village Community Room 27400 Southfield Road. The \$5 registration fee includes a continental breakfast and all materials. Advance registration call Karen Bever at (248) 288 5150 weekdays or e mail to LFDean@aol.com.

Irene Cahill city of Lansing arborist will speak on using bare root trees ecology and tree selection natural mulches and compost habitat considerations and storm water infiltration for water quality.

At 11 30 a.m. Global ReLeaf of Michigan will demonstrate how to plant bare root trees. Trees and shrubs will be available for purchase at \$28 each. The program is sponsored by Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority in cooperation with Rouge River municipalities.

Herb study group
The friends of the University of Michigan Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum Evening Herb Study Group will meet 7 9 p.m. Monday May 2 in Room 125 at the Gardens 1800 N. Dixboro Road in Ann Arbor.

The public may attend. Members and guests are encouraged to bring recipes combining herbs and chocolate. Samples are encouraged but aren't required. For more information call the Gardens at (734) 998 7061 or e mail Angela Frederick at Angcfred@yahoo.com.

Get a good grip on glove purchases

Finding a favorite glove for garden work is about as difficult as choosing a favorite plant in that might take a little time, but it will be time well spent.

There is a large selection from which to choose.

Some manufacturers have several gloves for specific jobs, such as waterproof gloves with an extra long cuff to be worn when working around ponds. Other gloves have reinforced fingers, for longer life and/or reinforced palms.

Rosarians use special gloves to protect from sharp thorns, while other designs are made of soft material especially useful when working with houseplants.

VISIBLE COLORS

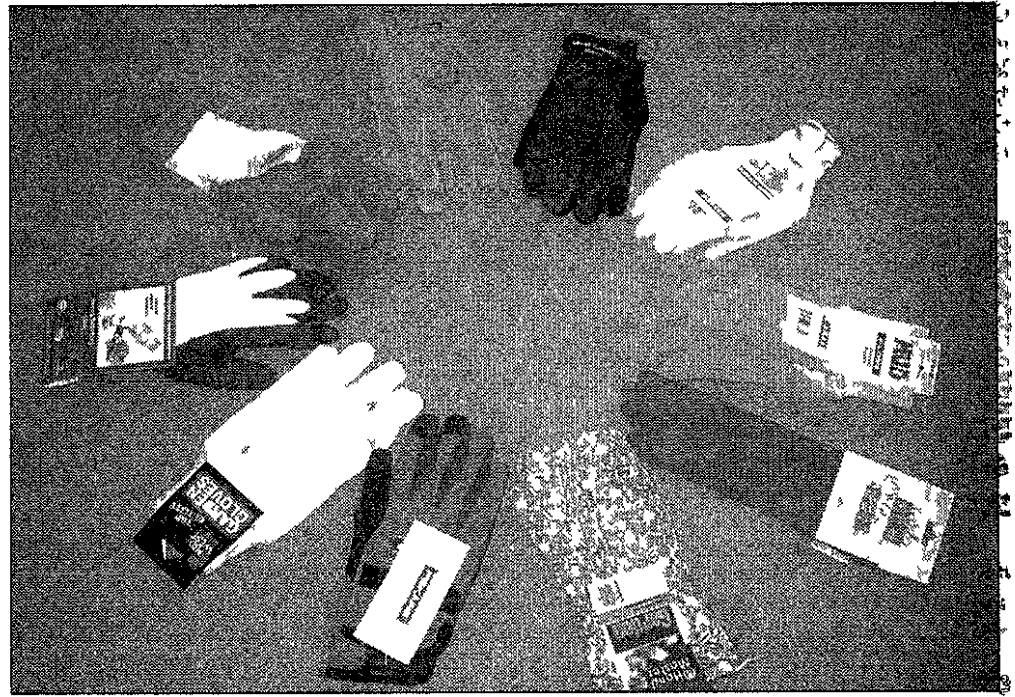
Gloves run the gamut of colors which makes them more visible when left in the garden. Choose red, yellow, blue, purple, green, aqua and black, two toned or a single color. When you do find a favorite pair, you won't want to lose them. Yes, manufacturers take their cues from sales and what consumers select.

There are several important considerations when shopping for gloves. Don't be timid about trying on each pair (try them on both hands). Check on how well the gloves fit. Be sure the fingers are long enough, although not too long as to leave a floppy little end of the finger to impede your work. Push the gloves gently up on your hand and see that the fingers of the glove reach the point where your fingers extend from the palm. Bend your hand to be sure the glove does not bind.

Choosing a glove is a personal thing. Here are a few to start you on your search (see related photo). At the one o'clock position in the photo, this dark blue pair is a set of West County work gloves. They feature reinforced work points, resistance to snags, a padded palm and a terry cloth brow wipe. Manufactured from man-made materials, this no-nonsense glove also has an adjustable cuff. Their new Grip gloves feature finger and palm grips for abrasive work and non-slip holding power. For information, call (800) 475-0567.

Continuing "clockwise" the pale neon green ultra light Potter's glove is made of micro-filament nylon with a polyurethane coating. It's suitable for delicate chores such as potting and transplanting, weeding and handling small items. It is a good greenhouse glove. Call (888) 967-5549.

The Mud Glove is made of 100 percent



Gloves, gloves it's hard to choose a favorite

cotton knit coated with genuine latex rubber. The fingers were precurved for easy flexing. The XS size fits me perfectly. Wear it while working in dirt and mud, picking up yard debris, and weeding. It is a great all-purpose glove. Call (888) 967 5548.

LONG AND PROTECTIVE

Foxgloves are extra long for added protection. Made of Lycra spandex, they are comfortable and durable. The original design is still available, the newer design is named Foxgloves Grps. Still made of the same fabric, the new gloves are covered with nonslip nubs on the palm area to insure a good grip. Call (845) 831-7300.

Magid Handmaster gloves remind one of the first garden gloves many of us probably wore. They are 100 percent woven cotton and have a natural comfortable fit, and pretty to wear when gathering flowers. Call (773) 384-2070.

You won't misplace Fiskars gloves because the bright orange color really stands out which is paired with dark charcoal. Made of a blend of nylon, polyurethane suregrip and spandex, they are tough gloves for heavier jobs. The ends of the fingers are padded as are the palms for better gripping. Call (800) 500-4849.

Another floral glove is by Mid West Quality gloves. It's made of 100 percent cotton with plastic dot palm for better grip. Call (560) 646-2165.

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Works (425) 455-0568.

Thorn-resistant gloves by Smith & Hawker have a textured surface that deters punctures from rose thorn and bramble, and provides a sure grip when weeding, replanting pots and heavier work. For a catalog, call (800) 776-3336.

Last, but not least is the leather Womanswork glove, designed especially for women and sized for them. These will tackle tough jobs. The leather becomes softer the more they are used. Call (800) 639-2709.

While doing research for this article, I found that Gloversville, a small town in upstate New York, was named for the glove industry, and was once the glove manufacturing capital of the world.

Gloves are still produced there in a number of small factories, many of the employees are women who work from their homes. A glove museum is located in an "old creaky" house near Gloversville, in eastern New York, fifty miles northwest of Albany. It might be fun to visit someday.

GOOD GARDEN TIP A sweet little book *My Mother's Garden*, (Chamberlain Bros, the Penguin Group, \$14.50 paperback) will please any woman. This collection of essays and stories about love, flowers, and family will touch the heart of the reader. Contributors include Dominique Browning, Jamaica Kincaid, Patricia Lanza, and Sharon Lovejoy.

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

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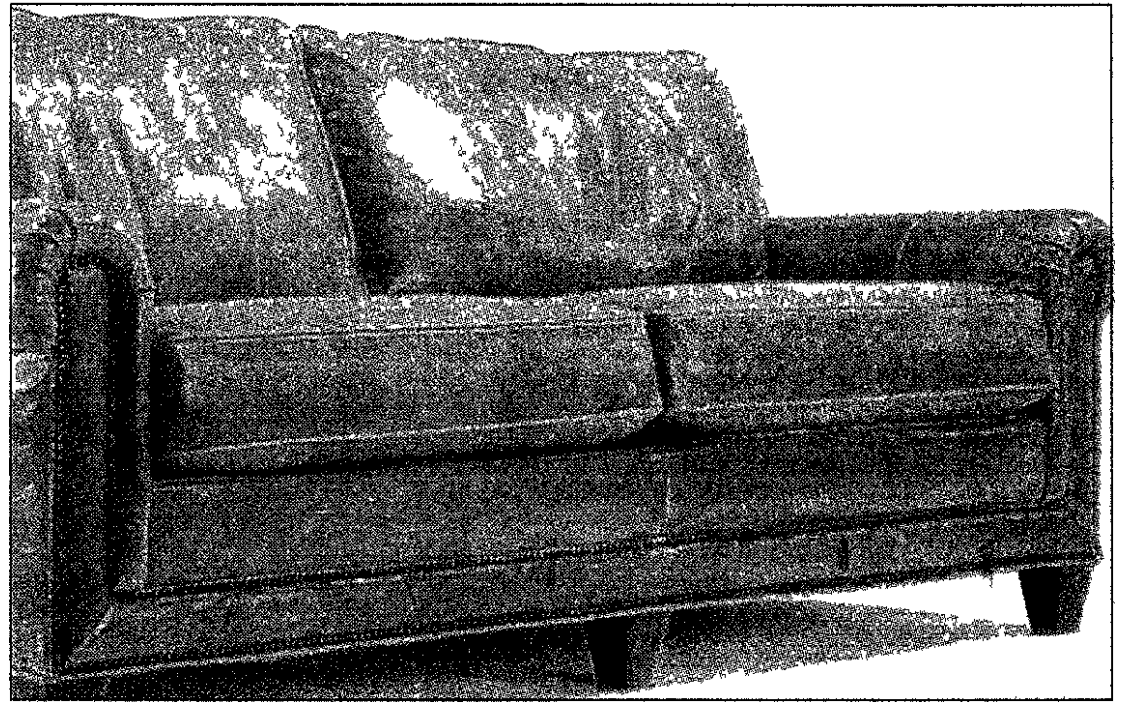
Modernism preview

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.artserve-michigan.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), Hershey'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.

The Michigan Modernism Exposition, a display and sale of items of 20th century design, will take place Saturday and Sunday, April 23-24, at the Southfield Municipal Complex, on Evergreen at Civic Center Drive (10 1/2 Mile Road). ArtServe Michigan is a nonprofit statewide organization that builds support for the arts, artists and cultural activities in Michigan. The Detroit Area Art Deco Society, a private not-for-profit corporation, was founded in 1986 by a group of collectors and enthusiasts interested in the decorative objects, architecture and style of the Art Deco period.

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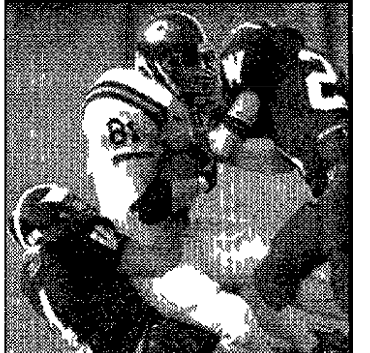
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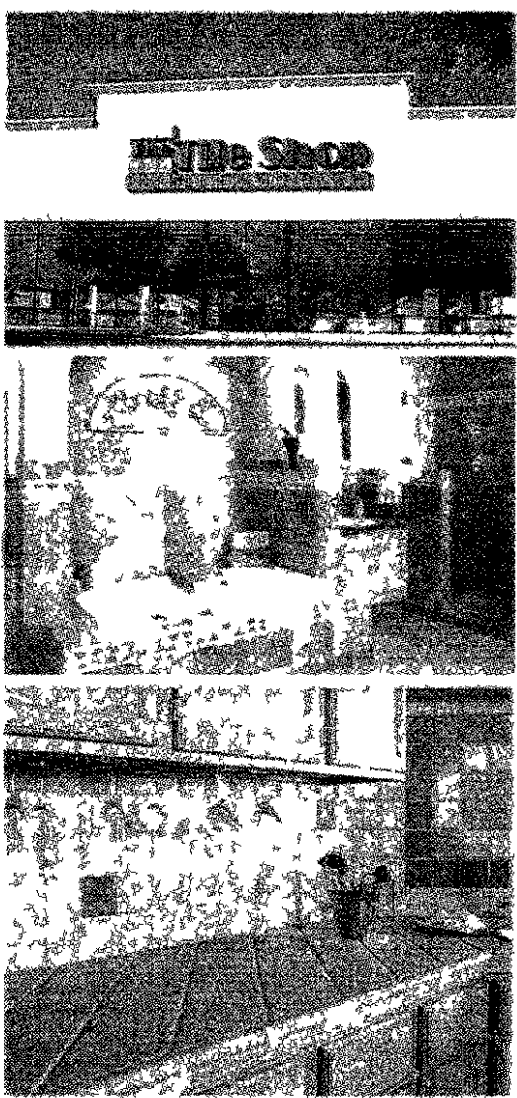
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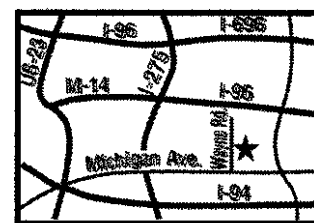
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Also from Chiquita, new Chiquita Dippin'-Licious makes it easy for families to enjoy all the goodness of fruit and a sweet treat at anytime - making snack-time and entertaining a breeze. The fruit comes with creamy sweet dips in two signature flavors - Ambrosia and Creamy Cheesecake.

Chiquita Dippin'-Licious trays of fresh cut fruit come in three sizes ranging from a My Anytime 10-ounce pineapple size, a 20-ounce My Perfect Sharing size, with juicy strawberries and cantaloupe and a 64-ounce My Perfect Party size tray with apples, pineapple, cantaloupe, honey dew and grapes. Each size features fruit perfect for dipping, and comes with a separate dip container - providing an easy way to eat a sweet treat wherever, whenever you'd like.

These Chiquita products are available at Kroger and Meijer stores.

Savoring tradition

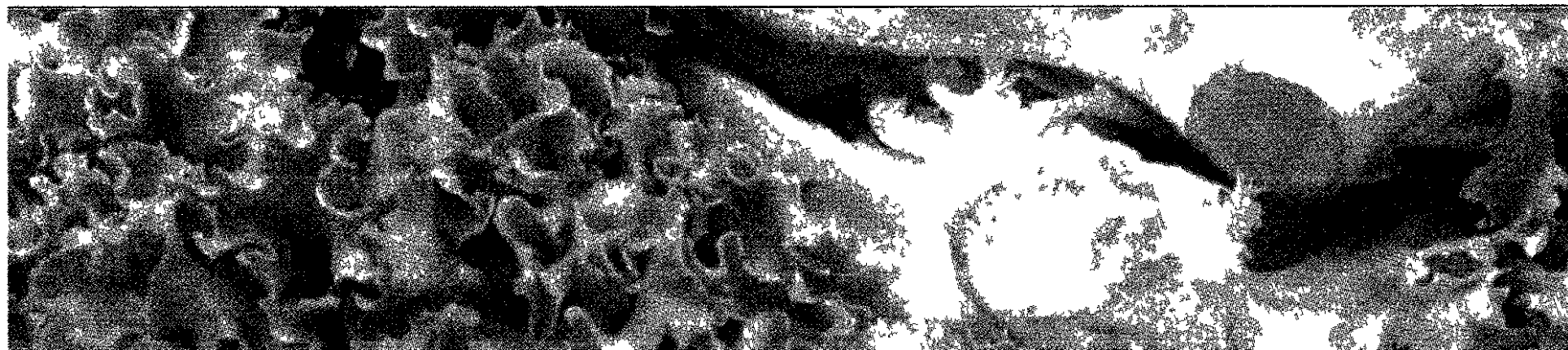
Floreen Halpern, owner of Amariyllis Catering in Birmingham, attributes her love of cooking to her parents - Sam 'the shopper' and Gertie 'the cook'.

In honoring and recognizing their contribution to her passion and her profession, Halpern has added a new division to her creative catering business which she named Sam and Gertie's Real Good Food.

The menu offers all kinds of traditional specialties, such as Gertie's Beef Brisket, Caramelized Onions, Elaine's Chicken Soup, and Razel's Roasted Chicken. Most of the Jewish style selections are named after their creator so the menu is sprinkled with the names of many relatives and friends who have proudly shared their family favorites and secrets over the years.

Launching this new division is timely with the upcoming celebration of the Jewish holiday of Passover, which brings a message of freedom, is a perfect time to link to the traditions of the past.

Amariyllis Catering now offers "party ready" baskets and trays that feed from 10 to 250. Contact Floreen Halpern at (248) 645-1770 for more information.



Lighten up

Salads balance the party menu

BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

The springtime forsythia, tulips and daffodils are blooming. Soon the parties begin. It's time for spring baby and bridal showers, graduations and company picnics.

You may feel like grabbing a few just-picked vegetables, but the trouble is your garden probably won't be ready for that for a while. In April, we still rely on fresh produce from Florida and California.

The spring weather has prepared you for the lighter fare, limited only by your imagination in green and fruit salads.

"We always carry fresh mesclun (assorted baby greens) by the pound," said Peggy de Parry, director of perishable operations for Busch's, which has stores in Livonia, Plymouth and Farmington Hills. "Busch's mesclun mix is a mixture of tiny greens that may include arugula, chervil, oak leaf, radicchio and other greens."

"We also enjoy baby greens such as spinach and romaine." Other lettuces available include butter, lettuce trio and Lollo Rossa live lettuces.

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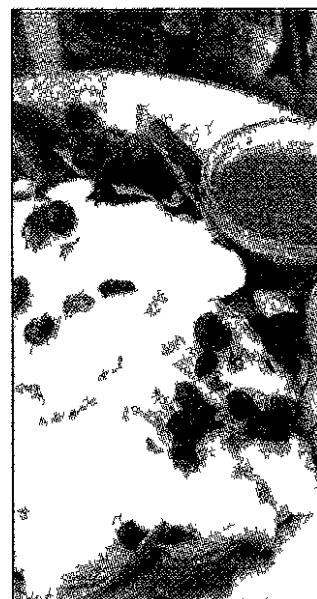
The best gauge of freshness when choosing greens is how they look and smell, de Parry said. They should be very fresh with good color and no tough or thick stems, de Parry said. They should not show excessive ripping or insect damage.

Weight is another clue when choosing greens: the heavier the head or bunch the tighter, firmer and fuller the leaves. Greens are almost all water - if they feel light, they are drying out.

Darker green lettuces (like romaine, bibb and Boston, and leafy greens such as spinach, chard, collards, watercress and arugula) generally contain about twice as much folate and two to 10 times as much beta-carotene as iceberg lettuce. Iceberg lettuce has fewer nutrients.

Leafy greens also contain higher levels of other carotenoids, vitamin C and other substances. For color and taste as well as crunch, a red bell pepper, tomatoes and thinly sliced green onions add not only color and taste, but also bring nutrition and health-protective phytochemicals to your diet. For the most nutritious salads, concentrate on the darker leafy greens, along with other vegetables and fruits.

Raw spinach is a good source of vitamin



Enjoy the sweet flavors of Mandarin chicken salad with raspberry vinaigrette

MANDARIN CHICKEN SALAD

- 4 cups baby spinach
- 4 grilled chicken breast halves chilled
- 1 (11 ounce) can Mandarin oranges drained
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries
- 1/3 cup sliced almonds toasted

Your favorite bottled salad dressing (we prefer Annie's Gingerly Vinaigrette or Ken's Raspberry Walnut Dressing)

Wash spinach and spin dry. Place in a large salad bowl or on individual plates.

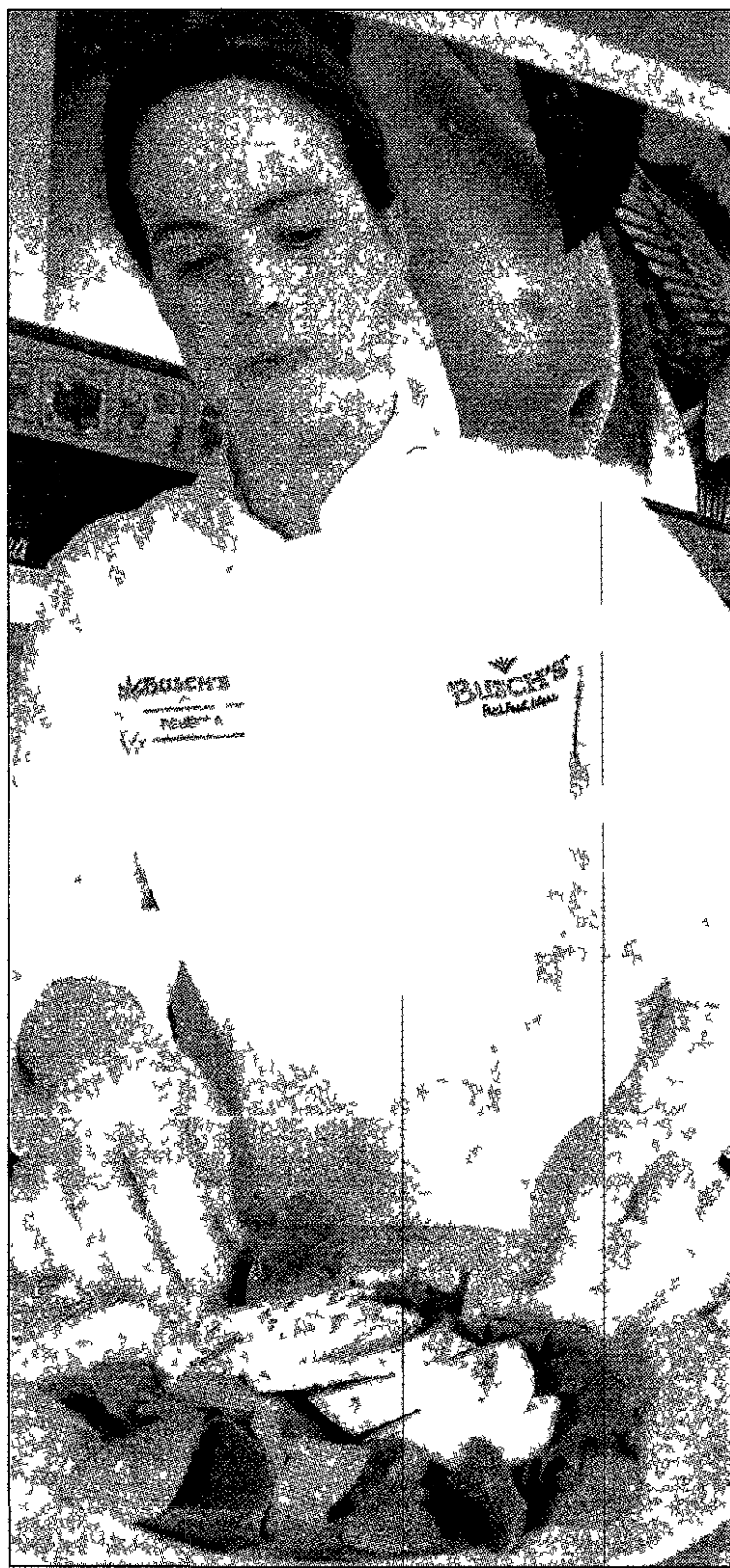
Slice chicken diagonally into long slices. Fan sliced chicken across the center of the spinach.

Arrange Mandarin oranges to the left side of the chicken.

Sprinkle cranberries to the right side of the chicken.

Sprinkle almonds along the right side of the cranberries. Serve the dressing on the side. Yields about four main course servings.

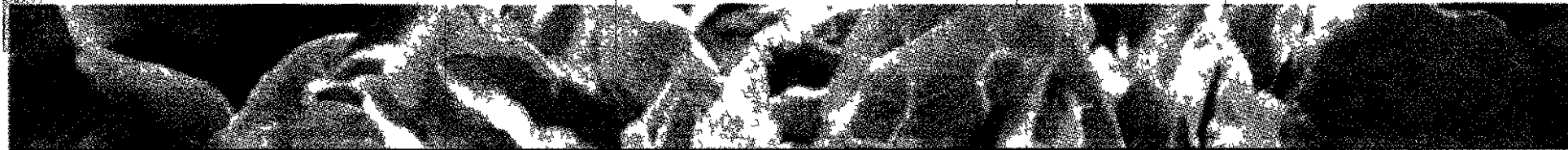
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Rebecca Miller, Meal Solutions chef at Busch's Market in Livonia, puts together a Mandarin chicken salad

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PLEASE SEE SALADS, B7



Prepare morels soon after picking them

Years ago, I first learned about morel mushrooms. I remember the disbelief upon my discovery that the morel didn't look like a button mushroom.

How could this be? Back then, I thought that all mushrooms were created equal and lacked flavor.

Well, it's a good thing that this is not true. We are blessed with some of the best mushrooms on the planet and Michigan is one of the best places to pick them.

For a few weeks in May, mushroom hunters and gatherers come out of their winter hibernation and seek the 'King of Mushrooms,' the morel. Most of the gathering happens up north in Boyne Country, but I



Chef's Table

Michael Trombley

know of people that can find them locally, too. (Of course I am not that lucky, and I usually have to buy them.)

When picking morels, be sure that what you are going to eat is in fact a true morel. This is when the head or top of the morel is attached and does not separate easily. Always eat them fresh and not old and slimy. There are a couple of books you can use for reference, one is the *Field Hunters Guide* and one is *The*

Great Encyclopedia of Mushrooms if you are so inclined to hit the woods and look for them.

After you have gathered your morels, you should process them quickly. Some like to just cook them with the dirt on, but I just can't get used to that flavor so I start by peeling any heavy soil from the bottom of the stem. If they are large, I might cut them in half and check for debris. They do grow in the wild, so some of the "wild" may be attached.

I fill up a container full of cold water and place the mushrooms in a strainer, then drop them in for a half of a second agitating as I do so. When I pull them up, I shake all the water off and towel dry. It is best if you are not serv-

ing these right away to cook them in a little butter and shallots, then cool and freeze them in small bags. You will be able to enjoy these for several months this way!

Good luck and happy morel hunting.

Michael Trombley, certified executive chef at St. John's Golf & Conference Center in Plymouth and instructor at Schoolcraft College in Livonia, writes a monthly column for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. You can write him care of Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or kabramczyk@oe.homecomm.net

MOREL FETTUCINE WITH CHEVRE CHEESE

- 2 cups cleaned, halved, uncooked morels
- 2 ounces whole butter
- 4 cups cooked egg fettuccine
- 1 tablespoon fine minced shallot or red onion
- 1/2 cup peeled, seeded and chopped tomato
- 4 ounces crumbled fresh chevre cheese
- 2 ounces medium body chardonnay
- Chives for garnish
- Salt and pepper to taste

Heat a medium-sized saute pan on high until hot, turn down to medium heat. Add butter and shallots and saute over low heat until translucent, then add morels.

Cook morels until soft and add fettuccine that has been warmed so not to shock the saute pan.

Add tomatoes, your favorite herbs and white wine and toss all together. Season with salt and pepper.

Plate using a swirling motion to create height, and garnish with the chevre cheese. Serves two.

Indian flavors marry in spice and rice dish

BY DANA JACOBI
CORRESPONDENT

Indian cooks are experts at pleasing our senses and filling our stomachs while also encouraging good health. They are especially skilled at including enough poultry, meat, or seafood to satisfy our palates in dishes that actually emphasize whole grains, fruits and vegetables in the most enticing way.

Chicken Biryani (sometimes spelled 'Biryani,' and pronounced bir-ree-YAH-nee) is a perfect example of this talent. This lavish Moghul specialty from northern India is traditionally a combination of chicken simmered in a creamy sauce rich with spices, then layered with fragrant rice, raisins and other ingredients, and garnished with nuts. It is often served as a banquet dish on special occasions such as weddings and, in the ultimate extravagance, may be finished with a breathtaking garnish of silver or gold leaf.

Although reserved for festive occasions in India, most Indian restaurants in America feature biryanis as a permanent part of their menu. Usually listed under rice dishes because aromatic basmati rice is a key element, biryanis are, in fact, hugely popular in this country. We enjoy them so much because a good biryani is hearty yet light, and highly fla-

vored yet comfortably spicy. Luckily, making chicken biryani at home is as simple as boiling rice and sauteing chicken. Without taking time for the grinding of whole spices, and without the vast amount of butter often used by Indian cooks, you can make one that may actually be healthier than the version served at local restaurants.

The version below is made with brown basmati rice and is ready to serve in 30 minutes. The Indian spice mix called garam masala is commercially available, or you can prepare your own version. Instead of ghee, the melted butter used by Indian cooks, this recipe calls for a mere tablespoon of butter. The modest amount of reduced-fat coconut milk used gives the biryani a rich creaminess.

CHICKEN BIRYANI

- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 1 1/2 cups finely chopped onion
- 1 large garlic clove finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon garam masala prepared or homemade*
- 3/4 pound skinless and boneless chicken breast cut in bite size pieces
- 3 cups hot cooked brown basmati rice
- 2/3 cup frozen baby green peas defrosted and at room temperature
- 1/4 cup golden raisins
- 2 tablespoons sweet mango

- chutney or Major Grey's
- 1/3 cup lite coconut milk
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
- 2 tablespoons sliced almonds toasted for garnish (optional)

Heat oil in a deep, medium non-stick skillet over medium-high heat. Add onions and sauté until translucent, about 4 minutes. Mix in garlic and garam masala. Reduce heat to medium and cook until onions are very soft, 3 to 4 minutes. Add chicken and cook, stirring occasionally, until it loses raw color, about 5 minutes.

Add hot rice, peas, raisins, chutney, and coconut milk. Mix to blend and cook until peas and rice are heated through, about 5 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Turn onto a serving dish, garnish with the almonds (if using) and serve.

*To make your own garam masala, combine 2 tsp each ground cardamom, coriander and cumin, 1 tsp each ground cinnamon and black pepper, 1/2 tsp each ground cloves and nutmeg. Unused garam masala keeps 1 week tightly covered. Makes 6 servings.

Per serving: 300 calories, 8 g total fat (2 g saturated fat), 37 g carbohydrate, 17 g protein, 3 g dietary fiber, 115 mg sodium.

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



For baked beans, both great northern beans and tiny navy beans work well. Using good-quality ketchup is important.

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Try quick, semi-homemade baked beans

BY DANA JACOBI
CORRESPONDENT

Today, we appreciate classic regional American dishes as much as fancy European creations or exotic Asian cuisine.

Thanks to television chefs, cookbooks and the Internet, we have learned to make many of them, so we can enjoy authentic Cajun gumbo and North Carolina barbecue, for example, without having to go on the road.

Because of our growing taste for spicy food, one region tends to get lost in the culinary shuffle. New England clambakes are romanticized, and fiddlehead ferns show up in a growing number of supermarkets each spring, but most cooks prefer to serve baked beans from a can than to even consider making them from scratch.

If you even own a bean pot, the chubby earthenware container New Englanders have used since before Boston became known as Beantown, it probably holds African violets or is covered in dust in a closet. Canned baked beans taste nothing like homemade ones. But making authentic baked beans takes a day-plus of precious time whereas, in our hurried, harried world, opening a can takes just seconds — and so no contest for most folks.

But there is a delicious alternative one that takes a mere

30 minutes and tastes nearly as good as the old-fashioned way of baking dried beans for hours. All you have to do is buy good-quality canned white beans and simmer them with the ingredients that give slow-baked beans their mellow and zesty flavor.

Good-quality canned beans are clean-tasting and firm. They remain whole during cooking without turning mushy. If you are concerned about your sodium intake, keep in mind that organic brands usually contain far less sodium compared to conventional ones. In any case, all canned beans should be rinsed and drained before using.

For baked beans, both great northern beans and tiny navy beans work well. In the following recipe, using good-quality ketchup is important. Grade B maple syrup, the least expensive kind, adds depth to the final taste. Although traditional recipes call for bacon or salt pork to achieve a smoky flavor, Spanish paprika, which has a slightly smoky flavor as well, is a far more healthful option. Sold at some supermarkets and specialty stores, it is also easy to find on the Web.

SKILLET BAKED BEANS

- 1 tablespoon canola oil
- 1 large onion finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves finely chopped

- 2 cans (15 oz. each) great northern or navy beans rinsed and drained
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 2 tablespoons brown mustard
- 1 teaspoon smoked or sweet paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- Pinch of ground clove
- 2 tablespoons maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon unsulfured molasses
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Heat the oil in a medium skillet over medium-high heat. Sauté the onion until soft and translucent, about 3 minutes. Add the garlic and cook until soft, 1 minute longer.

Add the beans, ketchup, mustard, paprika, ginger, clove, maple syrup and molasses. Stir in 1 cup water and mix ingredients to combine well. Bring mixture to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer gently until the liquid thickens and the beans resemble baked beans, about 15 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and serve.

Makes 4 servings (3 1/2 cups).
Per serving: 354 calories, 5 g total fat (less than 1 g saturated fat), 64 g carbohydrate, 17 g protein, 11 g dietary fiber, 317 mg sodium.

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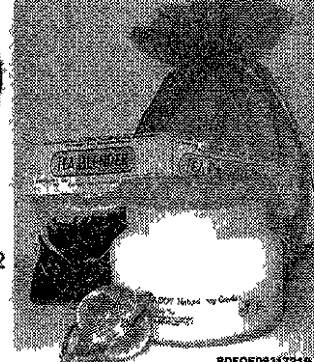
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As well as lutein and other carotenoids linked to eye health. Both romaine and spinach are good sources of folate. A cup of Boston or bibb lettuce provides three times as much vitamin A as iceberg. Loose leaf lettuce is even richer in nutrients, offering six times the vitamin A of iceberg lettuce and a fair supply of vitamin C.

GET THE PARTY STARTED

Honey Longo, owner of How's About Lunch in Birmingham, has served her share of celebrities such as Oprah Winfrey and Joan Rivers. She's also served many a company function and get-together in her 15 years of business on Woodward Avenue.

"In Michigan, when the weather gets warm, people get together with friends and celebrate life," Longo said.

Longo sees customers ordering dishes for convenience. "They want something that's labor intensive," Longo said, like fruit salad or Waldorf salad. They may have a barbecue or ham, and they want us



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Balance your meals with a few greens this spring: a head of Boston Bibb lettuce, bowl of mixed baby greens and a head of red leaf lettuce.

to fill in the menu with potato salad, pasta salad or fruit salad.

Longo also sees more vegetarian dishes. "We'll have a chickpea medley salad or Armenian bean salad. We always have at least two vegetarian dishes every day. To satisfy a sweet tooth, we have a Traverse City salad with chopped romaine

lettuce, dried cherries, chopped pecans and raspberry vinaigrette," Longo said. Company and family picnics are a great opportunity to relax. "These events show people can take the time to enjoy their families and nature," Longo said. "And anytime we see a family enjoying each other's compa-

ny, it's fun for us."

(For more on How's About Lunch turn to next week's Taste section. Information from the American Institute for Cancer Research was included in this story. See related recipes inside Taste.)

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ARUGULA SALAD WITH EDAMAME, ORANGES AND ASPARAGUS

Edamame is the Japanese name for fresh soybeans. Edamame are a lovely green color and are occasionally available fresh. Frozen beans, shelled or in the pod, are delicious and more readily available. Mixed baby greens, such as mesclun, may be substituted.

- 1 teaspoon minced shallots
- 2 teaspoons white wine vinegar
- 5 tablespoons walnut oil
- 1/2 teaspoon minced orange zest
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1 cup shelled frozen edamame
- 18 thin asparagus spears, ends snapped
- 4 cups arugula, washed and spun dry
- 2 cups red leaf lettuce, washed and spun dry
- 2 navel oranges, peeled and sectioned (zest used above)

Soak shallots in vinegar for 30 minutes.

Whisk together oil, orange zest and shallot mixture. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Let stand an additional 30 minutes.

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Cook edamame about 5 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon, rinse under cold water and set aside. Add asparagus to water, cook 3 minutes or until just tender. Remove and immediately immerse in ice-cold water. Drain and set aside.

Meanwhile, arrange arugula and lettuce on a large platter or individual plates. Arrange asparagus and orange wedges over greens. Drizzle with dressing, sprinkle edamame over salad and serve.

Lighten Up: Use less dressing and squeeze a little juice from an

extra orange over the salad.

Meal Solution Tip: Make extra dressing and use it to marinate boneless, skinless chicken breasts for grilling. Serve the salad on the side or slice the tuna or chicken and incorporate it as part of the composed salad. Yields 6 servings.

BABY SPINACH SALAD WITH FENNEL & WALNUTS

Try garnishing this delicious salad with fresh blueberries for flavor, good health and color.

- 3 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon white wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh tarragon (or a pinch of dry tarragon)
- 1 small bulb fennel, remove core and slice paper thin
- 3 scallions, chopped
- 1 package (10 ounces) baby spinach, washed and spun dry
- Kosher salt & freshly ground pepper
- 3/4 cup walnuts, toasted

In a salad bowl, make a vinaigrette by whisking together the oil, vinegar, Dijon and tarragon. Combine with scallions and fennel (this can be made several hours in advance.) Add more tarragon if desired.

Before serving, toss dressing and vegetables with spinach.

Season with salt and pepper to taste. Top with toasted walnuts and serve. Yield: About 4-6 servings.

VINAIGRETTE BASICS

Good, basic vinaigrettes follow a loose rule-of-thumb: 1 part acid to 3 parts oil and

kosher salt-to-taste. After that, the recipe can be adjusted to taste. Vary your choice of acid, oil and added flavors to complement your salad ingredients or reflect the character of accompanying dishes.

For acid, use any good-quality vinegar: balsamic, red or white wine, sherry, champagne, rice or even cider for some recipes. Citrus juices may also be used and you can experiment with such things as pickle, caper or tomato juice. Some vinegars, such as balsamic, are more intense than others, and citrus is somewhat higher in acid so you'll need a greater proportion of oil.

Mustard is often part of the acid in a vinaigrette. Start with a small amount and balance to taste with vinegar or lemon juice.

Choose your oil for depth of flavor and character or for personal health concerns. Good quality, fruity extra virgin olive oil is generally an oil of choice but nearly any oil can be used. Vegetable and seed oils as well as nut oils all work well with the right salad. Be cautious with the amount of stronger-flavored oils, such as dark sesame oil.

Often a salad is perfect with

just lemon juice and oil, other times you'll want to add a little flavor flourish. Mix and match the following: chopped herbs, minced garlic, shallots or onion, minced ginger, spices, such as cumin or mustard seed, curry and chili powders, heat, such as black or white pepper, hot sauce, cayenne or wasabi, and honey or other sweeteners.

WALNUT OIL VINAIGRETTE

Serve with mesclun, blue cheese, toasted walnuts, dried cranberries.

- 2 3/4 tablespoons white wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon minced shallot
- 1 teaspoon finely chopped fresh thyme (or 1 teaspoon dried)
- 1/2 cup walnut oil
- 1 tablespoon honey
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper

Place vinegar, shallot and thyme in a small bowl. Whisk to combine. Slowly add oils, whisking continuously. Add salt and pepper to taste.

Recipes and information courtesy of Peggy de Parry, director of perishable operations for Busch's.

MOREL AND WILD LEEK LASAGNA

- 2 cups cleaned, halved, uncooked morels
- 12 whole wild leeks
- 1/2 cup fried julienne leek
- 1/2 cup veal jus or reduced beef stock
- 1 cup good red wine, preferably a Pinot Noir
- 4 ounces whole butter
- 6 slices of cooked potato (see recipe)*
- 1 tablespoon fine minced shallot or red onion
- Balsamic vinegar for garnish
- Salt and pepper to taste

Take an Idaho potato, peel and square it off so you can slice it easily into sheets like pasta. Warm some salted water to a boil, turn down heat and add potato slices. Cook through, being sure to rotate sides and reserve.

Reduce the red wine to 2 tablespoons and add veal jus. Adjust seasoning with salt and pepper if needed. Add leeks and 2 ounces of

whole butter to a heated sauce pan with 2 ounces of white wine and sweat wild leeks on low until soft.

Heat a medium-sized saute pan on high until hot, turn down to medium heat. Add 2 ounces whole butter and shallots, sweat until translucent, then add morels. Cook morels until soft and add cooked, whole wild leeks.

Season with salt and pepper and reserve.

Layer starting with the potato, then some morels and leeks on top. Repeat this one more time and have the last layer have some of the morels and leeks to top.

Drizzle veal jus on and around and add a splash of balsamic vinegar. Top with fried leeks.

Serves two.

Recipe courtesy of Mike Trombley, certified executive chef at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth.

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Betting on ranch dressing

BY DANA JACOBI
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Do friends think your home-made salad dressing could make you a millionaire if you bottled and sold it? They could be right. That is how ranch dressing, which for years has been the most popular flavor in the United States, started out.

Steve Henson, a plumbing contractor in Alaska and a cook as well, created this hyper-garlic cream dressing to give his work crew something hearty for salads. When he and his family relocated to Santa Barbara, Calif., and bought a dude ranch called Hidden Valley, they dubbed his blend of mayonnaise, buttermilk and seasonings Ranch Dressing.

Guests were so crazy for it that Henson developed a dry mix they could take home and enjoy by adding their own fresh ingredients. Seeing a bigger opportunity, he also made and bottled a ready-to-serve version for supermarkets. Both the bottled and dry mix dressings did so well that eventually the formula and Hidden Valley name was bought by a large corporation that then proceeded to make ranch dressing even more popular.

These days, ranch dressing is a whole category, with flavor spin-offs featuring black pepper, Parmesan cheese, and even a "barbecue" version, not to mention low-fat and fat-free choices.

Trouble is, they all have that faintly chemical taste inevitable in bottle dressings. I prefer to make my own, more healthful, ranch dressing. In addition to tasting fresh and having the appealing pale green color of the original, which is lost in commercial production, my low-fat ranch



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dressing is all natural. Use it liberally and often - it is also good as a dip and sandwich spread. And making it from scratch will save you money, too.

Try this dressing over a salad of baby spinach, romaine lettuce, sliced cucumber and radishes, topped with red pepper rings, and you can easily enjoy four of the six daily servings of vegetables recommended in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's new Dietary Guidelines. It is also lean enough that you can lavish it on and benefit by adding a half-serving of your dairy requirement.

RANCH DRESSING

- 1 medium garlic clove, finely minced*
- 2 tablespoons finely snipped chives
- 1 tablespoon finely snipped flat-leaf parsley leaves
- 2 teaspoons white vinegar
- 1 tablespoon reduced-fat mayonnaise

2 tablespoons low-fat (2 percent) small curd cottage cheese
1/2 cup fat-free or low-fat buttermilk
Salt and white pepper, to taste

In a blender or food processor, purée the garlic, chives, parsley and vinegar. Gradually add, continuing to puree, the mayonnaise, cottage cheese and buttermilk until smooth. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Use immediately.

*The garlic flavor intensifies and, after 2 hours, will be highly dominant. To avoid this, garlic can be mixed into the dressing about 5 minutes before serving.

Makes 3/4 cup dressing
Per each 2-tablespoon serving: 22 calories, 1 g total fat (0 g saturated fat), 2 g carbohydrate, 1 g protein, 0 g dietary fiber, 58 mg sodium

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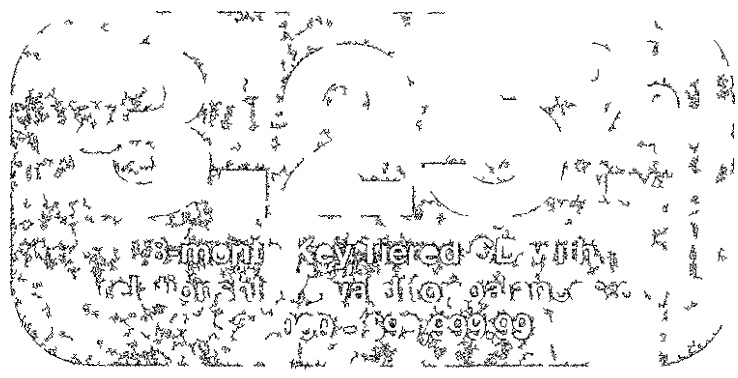
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2005 Bolger/Mangan Memorial City Track Meet

Familiar finish

Salem girls and Canton boys retain city track crowns

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

It was debatable what was hotter Tuesday afternoon — the 80-plus degree temperatures or the bottom of the Canton boys' and Salem girls' track shoes.

Considering it's only mid-April, all three were unseasonably steaming for the annual Bolger/Mangan Memorial City Track Meet, which pitted the six city track-and-field teams — both boys and girls — against one another in an early-season battle of P-CEP neighbors.

Both the Canton boys (92 points) and the Salem girls (98 points) defended their crowns handsily. Salem (43) finished second in the boys meet, just ahead of Plymouth (40). In the girls competition, Canton (43) was the runner-up over the third-place Wildcats (34).

Based on our scouting reports on Salem and Plymouth's times, we knew we could score a lot of points today," said Canton coach Bob Richardson. "Everyone put forth a great effort — they simply didn't want to lose. This team has a lot of heart, and it showed today."

"We had a lot of kids do things today that a few weeks ago they probably thought they'd never be able to do. Some kids added two feet to their personal records in the field events while others cut 12 to 15 seconds off their best times in the distance events."

Richardson shed extra praise on the performances of Rodney Preston, David Cahille and Derek Reeves. Preston crossed the line first in both the 300 and 110 hurdles races, Cahille won the 200-meter



Canton's Rodney Preston finished first in the 110 high hurdles at Tuesday's Bolger/Mangan Memorial City Track Meet at the P-CEP track. Preston's winning time was 14.89, almost a second faster than runner-up Nate Gholston of Plymouth.



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Pictured is the opening heat of the girls 100-meter dash at Tuesday's Bolger/Mangan Memorial City Track Meet. Salem successfully defended its title by racking up 98 points, 55 more than runner-up Canton.

PLEASE SEE TRACK, C3

Canton hands Franklin its first setback

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The Canton girls soccer team is finding its groove following a so-so early season performance.

The Chiefs improved to 2-2-1 overall and 2-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association Monday afternoon with a narrow 2-1 victory over previously unbeaten Livonia Franklin. The Patriots slipped to 5-1 and 1-1.

"Franklin has a good, athletic team, so it was a nice win for us," said Canton coach George Tomasso. "The girl who scored their goal, Renee Farrell, is a dynamite player. She kept us out of their end for the most part."

"The good news is we got a big win and we're unbeaten in the conference."

Lisa Ealy was the offensive star for the Chiefs. The junior accounted for both Canton goals — the first coming in the final minute of the first half and the second 16:45 after the intermission. Andrea Johnson and Katie Raker racked up assists on Ealy's goals.

Farrell cut the Patriots' deficit to 2-1 when she converted a pass from Meghan Horgan with 8:07 left. Cassie LaPrairie barely missed tying the game with two minutes to play when her shot from 20 yards out went just wide.

"It was a hard-fought game for us," said Franklin coach Jen Barker. "It was the first real test we were going to face and I think we were a bit unsure to start. Once we got our composure, it was just a matter of getting in behind their backs, but Andrea Johnson did a good job of keeping us out of there."

Boys net teams open with mixed results

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The opening week of the boys high school tennis season had about as many highs and lows as an overhead lob for the three local teams.

Canton split a pair of matches with Walled Lake Western (a 6-2 loss) and Walled Lake Central (an 8-0 victory). The Chiefs' No. 3 singles player Eric Szydlowski and No. 3 doubles tandem of Nimt Defai and Mike Palmer remained unbeaten following the two matches. Szydlowski has won four of the five sets he has played in thus far.

The Chiefs failed to lose a single set in their white-washing of the out-

manned Vikings.

After winning its first two matches, the Rocks tumbled, 5-3, against Livonia Churchill on Monday afternoon. The Rocks were tied, 2-2, after the singles matches thanks to victories by Rob Wallen at No. 2 and freshman Lawrence Washington at No. 3, however, the Chargers put a stranglehold on the victory when they won three of the four doubles contests. Churchill is off to a surging 4-1 overall start. The Chargers stand 2-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Plymouth opened its conference slate with an impressive 8-0 pasting of Westland John Glenn. The

Wildcats' No. 1 singles player Luc Lucaj earned his team some much-needed, early momentum when he took care of Michael Galunas, 6-2, 6-3. Plymouth's Don Zhang, Kevin Welch and Clint Korpalski followed with singles triumphs to help secure the win.

In doubles actions, Plymouth's duos of Doug Eggleston-Brad Yergensen, Dave Snyder-Brett Kavulich, Erik Korpalski-Dan Jeong and Nick Mazzocco-Anoop Gopal were all victorious.

The winless Rockets are struggling, having lost their opening five matches.

For complete results on these matches, please see page C.

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Comeback kids

Salem erases deficit, comes back for win

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Salem only led for a heartbeat in Monday afternoon's Western Lakes Activities Association opener against visiting Walled Lake Central.

Fortunately for the Rocks, it was the game's final heartbeat.

Salem overcame an early 3-0 deficit to upend the Vikings, 4-3, on a one-out, walk-off sacrifice fly in the bottom of the seventh inning by Scott Holka. The victory boosted the Rocks' overall mark to 3-2 and their WLAA record to 1-0. Central shipped to 4-3 (0-1).

Speaking of heart, the Rocks showed a lot of it in the bottom of the seventh when they manufactured the winning run. With the game tied at 3-3, Salem catcher Andy Psilis led off with a scorching single down the right-field line. Ryan Rowe pinch-ran for Psilis and immediately stole second base. Jimmy

Stoka followed with an infield single to put runners on first and third.

Central coach Mike Roffi elected to intentionally walk the next batter, Steve Myers, to load the bases for Ciantar, who delivered the game-winning drive to deep left-center field.

"This is a senior group of kids and they all know that there's no clock in this game, so as long as you have a swing left, you have a chance," said Salem coach Dale Rumberger, referring to his team's gutsy comeback. "This is one of my favorite teams I've coached because they all believe in themselves and they all support one another."

Both teams starting senior pitchers — Salem's Nic England and Central's Justin Goltz — threw solid, complete games. England yielded eight hits and struck out six, while Goltz gave up just seven hits and racked up four K's.

PLEASE SEE COMEBACK C2



Salem senior pitcher Nic England earned his second win of the season Monday when he tossed a complete game against visiting Walled Lake Central.

Sidelines

Canton's Williams vaults to 2nd

Canton High School graduate J.Q. Williams, a freshman pole vaulter at Albion College, broke her own one-week school record by clearing the bar at 9 feet, 11 3/4 inches, which was good enough for a second-place finish in the University Outdoor Invitational meet held Saturday in Anderson, Ind.

Saberettes clinic

The Plymouth High School Saberettes are hosting a pompon clinic for kids from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 30. The clinic will be held in the Plymouth High School cafeteria and is open for girls in third through eighth grades.

All participants will learn a pom routine with the Saberettes, receive a T-shirt and a snack for \$35.

They will also be invited to perform in the Saberette Variety Show scheduled for May 6-7.

Registration is from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, April 25, in the Plymouth High School Athletic Wing.

The variety show is set for 7 p.m. May 6 and 7 at the Salem Logan Auditorium. Tickets will be available at the door.

Par-tee golf league

The Par-tee Girls Golf League, which plays on Thursdays mornings at 8 a.m. at Canton's Hickory Creek Golf Course, is looking for new members.

The nine-hole league is set to begin May 5 and run through Aug. 19. Hickory Creek is located at Ford and Napier roads in Canton.

For more information, call Susan Moorman at (734) 414-9941.

Brockert honored

Madonna University junior Erin Brockert was named both Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference Player- and Pitcher-of-the-Week.

The Dayton, Ohio native hit .571 (12-for-21) in six wins for the Crusaders, including three homers, one being a walk-off 2-run shot to beat Cornerstone in extra innings, 8-6.

Brockert also had a double and 10 RBI with a 1.048 slugging percentage.

On the mound, she finished 4-0 with 22 strikeouts in 26 innings, allowing just four runs for an earned run average of 1.08.

Gerou runs Boston

Canton resident Thomas Gerou, 47, completed the Boston Marathon Monday afternoon in 3:02:33, which was good enough for 159th place in his age division and 767 overall. Gerou's pace was 6:58 per mile.



Andrea Pisani Livonia Unified
Lindsey Reed Livonia Unified
Alyssa Supplee Livonia Unified
Paige Albers Livonia Unified
Megan Chappo Canton
Alyssa Kelley Canton
Kara Ahern Canton
Jessie Murray Canton
Kaitlyn Burns Canton
Ashley Aquinto Salem
Elena Gueorguev Salem
Sara Bugosh Salem

Area gymnasts vault to excellence

FIRST TEAM
Andrea Pisani Livonia Unified The Livonia Churchill sophomore excelled in every event particularly the floor exercise and balance beam. She placed fourth in the Division I all-around and also earned All State (top 10) honors in three events including floor, beam and bars. Andrea always finished in the top 10 for us this season, said Livonia Unified coach Christa Hinderliter. You could always count on her to give a great performance. Lindsey Reed Livonia Unified Reed a senior at Livonia Stevenson is a Level 10 club gymnast for the EuroStars. She was selected to compete for a team of Michigan gymnasts who will travel to Florida in May for an elite national competition. Reed who received a 9.8 on the beam in a meet earlier this year may walk on at Central Michigan University in the fall. Hinderliter said of the Division I state floor exercise champion (9.65) she also took ninth in the all-around. Lindsey is an extremely hard working girl who has been a valuable member of this team over the past couple of years. Hinderliter said. I am in awe of her gymnastics ability. Alyssa Supplee Livonia Unified A junior at Livonia Franklin Supplee is consistently strong in all of the events and will serve as a captain for the team next season. She placed seventh in the Division I all-around and also earned All State honors in the vault and on the floor. Alyssa was successful in every meet she competed in this season. Hinderliter said. She has put in a lot of time and hard work to become the all-around performer that she is.

Paige Albers Livonia Unified The junior excelled in the beam and floor events for Livonia Unified this season. At the Division II state meet Albers placed sixth on vault. She was at her best in the conference meet this season. Hinderliter said. I'm looking forward to coaching her next season. She should be a big contributor to our team. Megan Chappo Canton The senior captain of an All American on the bars and the beam was voted Senior Gymnast of the Year by the Coaches and Judges Association. She fought hard to recover from a pre-season ankle operation and finished eighth on the beam in Division I (9.5) and was the bars champion at the Division I regional meet. Megan was a terrific team leader and inspired the team to work harder and succeed, said Canton coach John Cunningham. Alyssa Kelley Canton Only a sophomore Kelley earned All American recognition in all five categories. She was voted the team's most valuable gymnast and went undefeated in the vault until the state meet where she finished third. Kelley was the all-around medalist at the regional meet and the vault champion at the Western Lakes Activities Association meet. Alyssa was definitely our team leader and most valuable gymnast, said Cunningham. Last year's injury-plagued season was but a distant memory. Kara Ahern Canton A junior Ahern earned All American accolades on the beam and floor and she was the WLA D Division I champion in the floor exercise event. She was the regional champion on the floor (9.5) and was fourth all-around in Division I. She recorded a 36.65 all-around against Wayne Westland.

Kara was one of our hardest working gymnasts, improving her routines dramatically with such tricks as a back walkover back tuck on beam, Cunningham said. Jessie Murray Canton The freshman was an All American in the vault, bars, beam, floor and all-around and she tied a 10-year-old school record with a 9.65 on the beam. She placed 10th on the vault at the Division I state meet and earned the team's Rookie of the Year award. Jessie was a joy to have on the team, Cunningham said. Miss Sunshine was a terrific first-year gymnast. Kaitlyn Burns Canton A sophomore Burns earned All American status for her floor routine. She was 10th on the floor in the state meet and first in the regional meet and she scored a 9.45 on the floor in the Traverse City Quad Meet. Kaitlyn was a pleasure to watch with her exceptional flexibility and tumbling. Cunningham said. Her accomplishments with injured ankles and wrists were admirable. Ashley Aquinto Salem The senior finished third in all-around in Division II at the state meet, second at the regional competition and first at the WLA meet. Aquinto was a four-year varsity performer and served as a captain her senior season. Ashley had an all-around good year, said Salem coach Dana Driscoll. She was very consistent and worked extremely hard. Elena Gueorguev Salem The talented senior finished first in the bars in Division II at the state meet and fourth all-around. Elena was a huge asset to our team this year, said Driscoll. She performed well all

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Hinderliter builds winning tradition

BY ED WRIGHT
 STAFF WRITER
 Since Christa Hinderliter took over the reins of the Livonia Unified girls gymnastics team five years ago, things have become predictable for the squad that is made up of students from all three of the city's high schools. Predictably excellent, that is. Under Hinderliter's guidance, Livonia finished second in the state this past season behind only Farmington Unified. Her efforts earned the Livonia Public Schools phys-

cal education and health teacher the Observerland Coach of the Year honor. "We finished third last year and second this year, so everyone is saying next year is our year to finish first," quipped Hinderliter, who has doubled as a club gymnastics coach for several years. "This year's team was special because we lost quite a few girls from last year's team to graduation,

so there were some big shoes to fill. But the girls we needed to step up did it and really led us to a great season. We've built a good program here, so the new girls who join the team every year know what to expect. We have a strong work ethic, which is probably the number-one reason for our success. Hinderliter, who graduated from Okemos High School and Western Michigan University, said coaching a team consisting of athletes from different schools was challenging initially, but is

now smooth sailing. "The first year was difficult because the girls had to come together from the different schools to form one team," she said. "But now I can't imagine the girls being separated. They have become extremely close and they do a lot of things together outside of gymnastics. They have forged a lot of close relationships that will last a lifetime." Livonia Unified was led by senior Lindsay Reed, juniors Paige Albers and Alyssa Supplee, and sophomore Andrea Pisani.



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Friday April 22
 Salem at Westland John Glenn 4 p.m.
 Livonia Franklin at Canton 4 p.m.
 Wayne Memorial at Plymouth 4 p.m.
Saturday April 23
 Salem at Southgate Anderson (DH) 10 a.m.
GIRLS SOFTBALL
 Thursday April 21
 Agape at Franklin Rd. 4:30 p.m.
 Zoe Christian at PCA 4:30 p.m.
Friday April 22
 Westland John Glenn at Salem 4 p.m.
 Canton at Livonia Franklin 4 p.m.
 Plymouth at Wayne Memorial 4 p.m.
BOYS TRACK
 Thursday April 21
 Salem at W.L. Northern 3:30 p.m.
 Livonia Franklin at Canton 3:30 p.m.
 Plymouth at Northville 4 p.m.
Friday April 22
 Salem at Harrison Hawks Relays 3:30 p.m.
GIRLS TRACK
 Thursday April 21
 W.L. Northern at Salem 5:30 p.m.
 Canton at Livonia Franklin 4 p.m.
 Northville at Plymouth 4 p.m.
Saturday April 23
 Salem at W. Bloomfield Invite 9:30 a.m.
 Plymouth at Chelsea Relays 10 a.m.
GIRLS SOCCER
 Thursday April 21
 Southfield Christian at PCA
Friday April 22
 Saginaw Heritage at Salem 6:30 p.m.

Saturday April 23
 Canton at Troy Athens 11 a.m.
BOYS TENNIS
Friday April 22
 Salem at W.L. Northern 4 p.m.
 Livonia Churchill at Canton 4 p.m.
 Plymouth at Livonia Stevenson 4 p.m.
Saturday April 23
 Salem at Monroe Invite 9 a.m.
 Canton Varsity Invitational 8 a.m.
 Plymouth at Don Zielinski Invite TBA
GIRLS GOLF
Friday April 22
 Salem at Hartland Invite at Dunham Hills 9 a.m.
 Canton at Hartland Tourney 7 a.m.
 Westland John Glenn at Plymouth at Hickory Creek G.C. 3 p.m.
BOYS LACROSSE
Friday April 22
 PCS at Troy 7 p.m.
MEN'S COLLEGE BASEBALL
 (all double headers unless noted)
Friday April 22
 Rochester at Madonna 1 p.m.
Saturday April 23
 Madonna at Indiana Tech 2 p.m.
Sunday April 24
 Madonna at Indiana Tech 2 p.m.
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOFTBALL
 (all double-headers)
Saturday April 23
 Madonna at Cornerstone 1 p.m.
Sunday April 24
 Madonna vs Indiana Tech at Livonia Ladywood H.S. 1 p.m.
 TBA - time to be announced

COMEBACK

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 After England walked Central's Neil Mitchell to lead off the sixth, Rumberger visited the mound and was close to bringing in a reliever until the senior hurler convinced his coach to let him try to weather the storm. "Whenever I go out to the mound, I usually take the pitcher out," Rumberger said. "But Nic, who is a three-year varsity player, asked me to let him stay in to try and get out of it. I figured that after all he has done for this team over the past three years he deserved the opportunity, and he ended up getting out of it." The Vikings bolted to a 1-0 first-inning lead when Torey Stumson singled, advanced to second on Aaron Hakola's single, stole third and scored on an error. Central expanded its lead to 3-0 in the top of the third on RBI singles from Hakola and Mitchell. The Rocks started chipping away at their deficit in their half of the third when Sroka led off with a double, advanced to third on Myers' long flyout to right and scored on a Ciantar sacrifice fly. There was nothing chippy about Salem's next run — a sizzling line-drive home run over the left-field fence off the bat of right fielder Mitch Hosch to make it 3-2. The Rocks knotted the game at 3-3 in the bottom of the sixth when — with two outs — designated hitter Bill Leddy doubled and scored when Kenny Warren followed with a clutch single to right, setting the stage for the seventh-inning rally. "It's always a barn-burner when we play Salem," said Central coach Mike Roffi. "Last year, the games were 10-8 and 1-0. I think both programs have mutual respect for one another, and it shows."

TENNIS RESULTS

LIVONIA CHURCHILL 5 SALEM 3
 April 18 at Churchill
No 1 singles: Trevor Kogut (LC) defeated Chris Treadwell 6 4 6 2. **No 2:** Rob Wallen (S) def Glenn Wozniak 6 4 6 4. **No 3:** Lawrence Washington (S) def Nick Payne 6 3 6 4. **No 4:** Peter Bartlett (S) def Mike Han 6 0 6 2.
No 1 doubles: Evan Be Mike Layne (LC) def Blake Foster Neil Bakshi 6 2 7 5. **No 2:** Casey Green Pete Schrader (LC) def Alex Gui Paul Kargol 6 2 7 6 (12 10). **No 3:** Rich Simkow Kyle Anderson (LC) def Dave Geich Dave Jung 6 4 7 5. **No 4:** Taylor Frangie Jay Cunningham (LC) def Cam Loftus Brian Lent 7 6 (7 1) 6 2.
Dual meet record: Churchill 41 overall 2 0 Western Lakes Activities Association Salem 21 overall 2 1 WLA.

CANTON 8 W.L. CENTRAL 0
 April 18 at Canton
No 1 singles: Zach Hoernschmeyer (C) def Clay Bartell 6 1 6 0. **No 2:** Yale Miller (C) def Benji Dell 6 0 6 0. **No 3:** Eric Szydlowski (C) def Eric Hammon 6 2 7 6 (7 4). **No 4:** Tom Williams (C) def Casey Johnson 3 6 7 6 (7 2) 10 8.
No 1 doubles: Alex Marinica Alex Fabiszewicz (C) def Josh Kay/Jack Oliver 7 5 7 6 (7 2). **No 2:** Duke Kapelanski Greg Warnecke (C) def Ryan Bean Bryan Hurd 6 2 6 3. **No 3:** Nimit Defai Mike Palmer (C) def Aki Fukuta/Pat Founogan 6 3 6 2. **No 4:** Nathan Larimore Nirusan Loganathan (C) def Yoshi Takeoka/Yoshi Hirahoshi 6 3 6 3.
Dual meet record: Canton 11 overall 11 WLA.

W.L. WESTERN 6 CANTON 2
 April 15 at W.L. Western
No 1 singles: Jason Norville (WLW) defeated Zach Hoernschmeyer 6 2 6 0. **No 2:** Yale Miller (WLW) def Mike Keesey 6 3 6 4. **No. 3:** Eric Szydlowski (C) def Ryan Jackson 4 6 6 4. **No 4:** Michael Chou (WLW) def Tom Williams (C) 6 0 6 1.
No 1 doubles: Blake Movitz Matt Tugendor (WLW) def Alex Marinica Alex Fabiszewicz 6 0 6 1. **No 2:** Jean Luc Delpy Brian Stone (WLW) def Duke Kapelanski Greg Warnecke 7 5 6 4. **No 3:** Nimit Defai Mike Palmer (C) def Colin Sipperly Jason Yoribenen 6 4 6 3. **No 4:** Darin Goldstem Danny Cohen (WLW) def Nathan Larimore Nirusan Loganathan 6 4 6 2.
Dual meet record: Canton 0 1 overall 0 1 Western Lakes Activities Association

PLYMOUTH 8 WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 0
 April 18 at John Glenn
No 1 singles: Luc Lucaj (P) defeated Michael Galunas 6 2 6 3. **No 2:** Don Zhang (P) def Nikhil Kalothia 6 0 6 0. **No 3:** Kevin Welch (P) def Nolen Langlois 6 0 6 0. **No 4:** Clint Korpalski (P) def Galen Murphy Fahlgren 6 0 6 0.
No 1 doubles: Doug Eggleston Brad Yergensen (P) def Jake Delpiano Bruce Green 6 2 6 1. **No 2:** Dave Snyder Brett Kavulich (P) def James Fisher Brandon Nikula 6 4 6 1. **No 3:** Erik Korpalski Dan Jeong (P) def Jacory Frowner Josh Wovles 6 0 6 0. **No 4:** Nick Mazzocco Anoop Gopal (P) won by default.
Dual meet records: Plymouth 11 overall 1 0 WLA. John Glenn 0 5 overall 0 2 WLA.



Salem's Andrea Lang finished first in the 100-meter high hurdles at Tuesday's city track meet. Lang crossed the line in 17.01 seconds.

TRACK

FROM PAGE C1

dash and was a key component on two first-place relay teams, and Reeves posted a personal-best pole-vault height of 12-10.

Salem girls coach Kevin Conte said he was pleased with his teams' championship effort.

"I thought the meet went pretty smoothly," Conte said. "I was impressed with a lot of the times we put up. Several girls had personal records. I thought one of the highlights tonight was Lauren Kane's late kick in the 3,200 when she barely edged out Hannah Cavicchio. That was a perfect example of a senior giving it everything she had."

First-year Canton girls coach Tracy Himmelpach said she was satisfied with the second-place showing.

"I knew Salem was going to be extremely tough to beat," she said. "I thought our sprinters really stepped up and Mina Pirzadeh had a great meet with a personal record in the 300 hurdles and in the pole vault."

Salem boys coach Geoff Baker said he saw some good things come out of Tuesday's competition.

"Jon Marsh turned in a personal-best in the discus and I thought Dan Kapadia ran well in the mile," Baker assessed. "I was happy with all of our field-event athletes and our distance team ran well."

Despite finishing third, Plymouth boys coach James Hall was optimistic about his team's continual growth.

"I'm pleased because the guys are gaining an understanding of the track-and-field game," Hall said. "They're starting to understand the importance of conditioning and that what you put into something is what you're going to get out of it."

The meet was named in memory of the late Mark Bolger and Jeff Mangan, both of whom were former outstanding student/athletes at Salem.



Plymouth's D.J. Coleman finished second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 11.3 seconds.

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TRACK RESULTS

BOLGER/MANGAN MEMORIAL CITY TRACK MEET
April 19 at P-CEP Track

BOYS RESULTS

OVERALL STANDINGS 1 Canton 92 2 Salem 43 3 Plymouth 40

Pole Vault 1 Reeves (C) 12.10 2 Sherwood (P) 11.0 3 Hyde (S) 10.0 4 Stewart (P) 9.5

Shot put 1 Jonik (C) 44.4 2 Marsh (S) 43.1 3 Bailey (P) 39.2 4 James (C) 39.1

Discus 1 Marsh (S) 141.5 2 Paye (C) 129.1 Kaptur (S) 124.9, 4 Zugaj (C) 118.9 5

High Jump 1 Scharzburg (P) 5.10 2 Rossow (C) 5.10 3 McClellan (C) 5.10 4 Page (C) 5.8

Long Jump 1 Rumao (S) 20.875 2 Coleman (P) 20.1 3 Piwowar (C) 19.625 4 Preston (C) 18.8

4x800 relay 1 Canton 8:37 2 Salem 8:44 3 Plymouth, 9:26

110 hurdles 1 Preston (C) 14.89 2 Gholston (P) 15.67 3 McClellan (C) 17.01 4 Belcher (C) 17.31

100 dash 1 Piwowar (C) 11.28 2 Coleman (P) 11.3 3 Rumao (S) 11.65 4 Walsler (C) 11.84

4x200 relay 1 Canton 1:33.4 2 Plymouth 1:36.7 3 Salem 1:40.2

1600 run 1 Kapadia (S) 4:42 2 Lumley (S) 4:43 3 Zech (C) 4:48 4 Scataro (P) 4:50

4x100 relay 1 Canton 44.48 2 Plymouth 45.1 3 Salem 47.49

400 dash 1 Azizi (C) 51.36 2 Rossow (C) 51.99 3 Dillon (P) 52.9 4 Sokolowski (C) 53.1

300 hurdles 1 (C) 41.00 2 Gholston (P) 41.69 3 Boucher (C) 44.6 (C) 44.77

800 run 1 Wi (S) 2:09 2 Zech (C) 2:11 3 Wallath (P) 2:12 4 Kosteva (S) 2:13

200 dash 1 Calhite (C) 23.01 2 Coleman (P) 23.04 3 Piwowar (C) 23.27 4 Burdette (C) 24.18

3 200 run 1 Walsh (S) 10:25 2 Kapadia (S) 10:29 3 Scaparo (P) 10:29 4 Slavens (P) 10:49

4x400 relay 1 Canton 3:32 2 Salem 3:39 3 Plymouth 3:41

GIRLS RESULTS

OVERALL STANDINGS 1 Salem 98 Canton 43 3 Plymouth 34

Pole vault 1 Pirzadeh (C) 9.6 2 Vraniak (S) 9.0 3 Mack (P) 7.0 4 Hale (P) 6.6

Shot put 1 Fisher (S) 32.11 2 Wilson (S) 32.75 3 Pitts (C) 28.85 4 Guyton (P) 27.9

Discus 1 Wilson (S) 107.4 2 Fisher (S) 87.8 3 Hanchett (P) 80.9 Janson (S) 70.9

High Jump 1 Petty (P) 5.1 2 Paszkowska (C) 4.9 3 Gault (S) 4.9 4 Miles (S) 4.4

Long jump 1 Lockhart (S) 15.825 2 Lang (S) 15.1 3 Joyner (C) 14.95 4 Powell (P) 14.65

4x800 relay 1 Salem 10:14 2 Plymouth 10:35 3 Canton 10:38

100 hurdles 1 Lang (S) 17.01 2 Eldred (S) 17.09 3 Pirzadeh (C) 17.7 Petty (P) 17.9

100 dash 1 Wallace (P) 13.87 2 Shull (S) 14.1 3 Lee (C) 14.23 4 Byers (C) 14.32

4x200 relay 1 Canton 1:49.7 2 Salem 1:49.8 3 Plymouth 1:55

1600 run 1 Kane (S) 5:32 2 Cavicchio (S) 5:39 3 McCormack (C) 5:44 4 Sherwood (P) 5:49

4x100 relay 1 Plymouth 53.74 2 Canton 53.79 3 Salem 54.5

400 dash 1 Lockhart (S) 1:00.8 2 Vraniak (S) 1:02.6 3 Miles (S) 1:03.2 4 Lager (C) 1:04.7

300 hurdles 1 Lang (S) 49.55 2 Petty (P) 51.86 3 Pirzadeh (C) 51.87 4 Eldred (S) 52.84

800 run 1 Friedman (S) 2:22 2 Bargowski (C) 2:31 3 Shull (S) 2:33 4 Janda (S) 2:34

200 dash 1 Pitts (C) 27.78 2 Joyner (C) 27.79 3 Lockhart (S) 27.81 4 Gault (S) 27.85

3 200 run 1 Kane (S) 12:01 2 Cavicchio (S) 12:01 3 McCormack (C) 12:33 4 Ostrowski (P) 12:59

4x400 relay 1 Salem 4:15 2 Plymouth 4:22 3 Canton 4:35

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Canton pitcher one pitch away from perfect game

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

PREP SOFTBALL

Perfection barely eluded the grasp of Canton pitcher Sarah Anthony Monday afternoon. But the sophomore hurler kept a firm hold on a victory. Anthony was nearly flawless in her season debut on the mound as she no hit Wayne Memorial, 5-0, in the Western Lakes Activities

Association opener for both teams. The first-year varsity player had dynamic command of her pitches, striking out 13 without walking a batter.

With the victory, Canton improved to 5-0 overall and 1-0 in the WLA. The lone Zebra (2-5 and 0-1) to reach

base was hit by a pitch in the third inning.

A change-up slipped out of Sarah's hand and it hit the batter, otherwise she would have had a perfect game, said Canton coach Jim Arnold. Sarah did a great job but so did (catcher) Molly Przybylski, who called a good game. Sarah was hitting her spots and mixing up her drop ball with her other pitches.

Wayne coach Wayne Woodard agreed with Arnold's assessment of the winning battery's performance.

(Anthony) did a good job of keeping our girls off balance, said Woodard. We actually played one of our better games this season against Canton, but we couldn't hit. Defensively, we had one bad inning (the fourth) when we misplayed a couple of balls.

Canton, which finished with eight hits, scored a single run in the second and four in the fourth off Wayne pitcher Nikki Little (0-2).

Rachel Ward (2-for-4, one RBI), Rachel Beaudoin (2-for-2) and Anthony (1-for-3, two RBI) led a balanced offensive attack for the Chiefs. W.L. Central 3 Salem 2. Trailing 3-0 the Rocks mounted a serious rally in the top of the seventh inning Monday afternoon but their comeback fell just short. The loss dropped Salem to 4-2 overall and 0-1 in the WLA.

The Vikings secured a 3-0 lead in the bottom of the third when they strung together three of their seven hits against Salem starting pitcher Courtney Davis.

The never say die Rocks scored both their runs in the final frame when Amy Caves ripped a base hit to right. She was eliminated at when the next hitter Karit McKinley hit into a fielder's choice. Ali Proodian then delivered a hit sending McKinley to third. McKinley eventually scored on a wild pitch as did Liz Thomas

who was pinch running for Proodian. With two outs Kelly Behr ripped a single putting the tying run at first. However, Viking starting pitcher Sarah Burkhardt finished off her complete game by recording her fifth strikeout of the contest. Burkhardt allowed just four hits and one walk.

It was a close game but we needed to start hitting a little earlier than we did said Salem coach Bonnie Southerland.

On Saturday Salem went 2-1 in the Taylor Invitational Softball Tournament in the opener the Rocks defeated Gibraltar Carison 6-2. Davis was brilliant on the mound yielding just five hits and one walk to go along with two strikeouts. Offensively Caves led the way with three hits and two RBI. Also shining at the plate for the Rocks were McKinley (RBI triple), Laura Kordick, Karit Downey, Crystal Rohn, Kelly Behr and Deonna Szawara. Salem outpitched Carison 10-5. Salem blasted Wyandotte 14-0 in the second game.

The girls woke up for this game. Southerland said. The bats were hot and it just kept coming.

Crystal Rohn shone on the mound for the Rocks, tossing a one hitter while striking out five.

Offensively the Rocks clubbed a pair of grand slams - one each by McKinley and Kordick - both in the second inning. Not to be outdone Caves slammed a three run homer in the third. In the fourth the Rocks ripped seven hits and sent 14 batters to the plate. Kordick finished with five RBI and McKinley chipped in with four.

In Saturday's third game Salem fell to Taylor Kennedy 6-1. Kennedy scored two runs in the first and four in the fifth. Salem had six hits - all singles - from Caves Behr, Melissa Plante, Szawara, Sniegowski and McKinley.

All in all the girls played well and they can just keep the bats going like they

did in the Wyandotte game. I think we'll be okay. Southerland said.

W.L. Western 6 Plymouth 2. The Warriors plated four runs in the top of the ninth inning to knock off the Wildcats in the WLA opener for both teams. The victory improved Western to 3-2 overall while the Cat slipped to 2-1.

Plymouth trailed 2-0 in the bottom of the sixth when Claire Ostrowski ripped a two run double that scored Lauren Stemberger and Kim Klonowski, both of whom had singled.

Once Western scored their first run in the ninth to take the lead, we kind of got down on ourselves, said Plymouth coach Val Canfield. Our lack of experience and not having any seniors hurt us in the end. We only made two errors so we didn't play a bad game.

The game was the Wildcats' first action since April 5.

I don't think the layoff hurt us. Canfield admitted. What hurt us the most was our bunt defense. That's something we need to work on.

Despite suffering the loss Ostrowski struck out 12 Warriors. Amy Bondy contributed two hits for the Wildcats.

Canton Agape 20, Taylor Baptist Park 8. The Wolverines improved their record to 2-3 overall and 1-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference with Tuesday's high scoring victory.

Julie Schultz did it all for Agape, earning the pitching victory while going 2 for 4 with four RBI at the plate. Caroline Jungquist also had a productive game, finishing 1 for 3 with three runs and three steals. Lindsay Gant chipped in with three runs and three steals.

We've already equaled our win total from last year so I'm pleased with the way things are going, said Agape coach Bobby Stockman.

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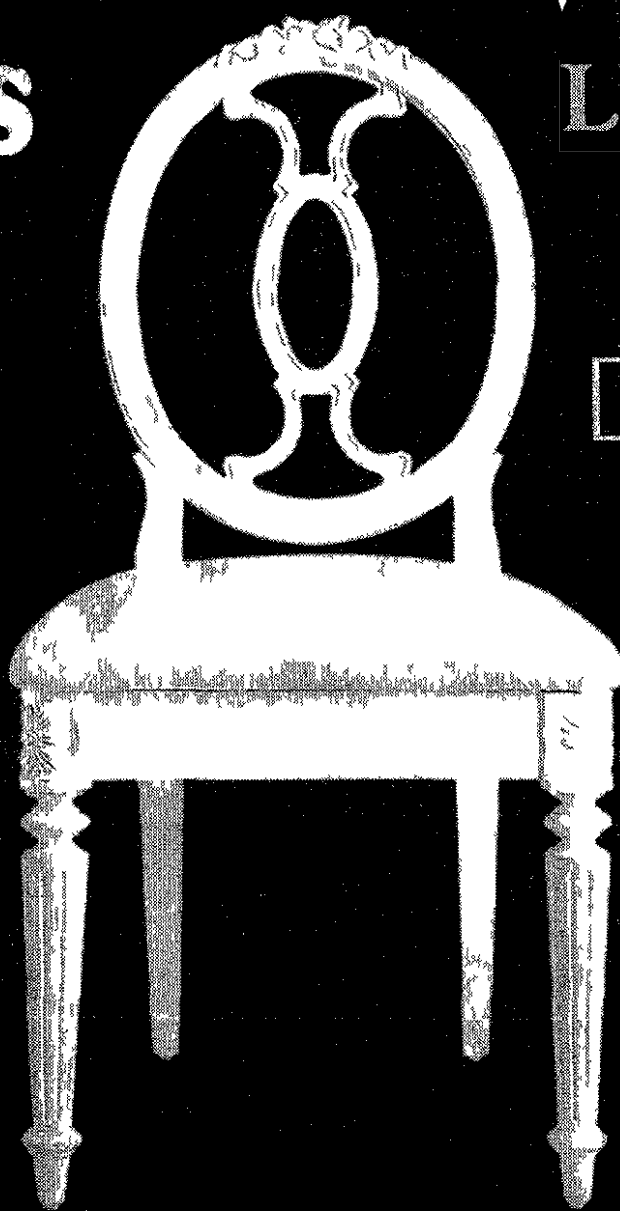
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Agape surprises unbeaten PCA, 8-6

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The final results of Monday afternoon's high school baseball game between Plymouth Christian Academy and Canton Agape Christian were about as improbable as a 75-degree, sunny April day in Michigan.

With the weather conditions closer to those expected in southeast Florida than south-east Michigan in early spring, the winless Wolverines stunned the undefeated Eagles, 8-6, Monday, at Griffin Park in Canton. Entering the contest, PCA owned the better record and a truckload of momentum after recording a pair of mercy-rule-shortened victories in Saturday's Franklin Road Invitational.

But that didn't faze Agape, which unloaded for five runs in the second inning and never looked back.

BASEBALL

Give Agape credit — we hit the ball hard, but they made the plays," said PCA coach Kurt Johnston, whose team slipped to 7-1. The Wolverines improved to 1-4 with the victory.

Freshman righthander Jared Miller earned the win for Agape. He completed five-and-two-thirds innings before giving way to his older brother, Kyle, who was effective over the final inning-and-a-third to pick up the save. Both teams collected eight hits. The Molnar brothers — Gabe and Matt — both went 2-for-3 for Agape, which also received a pair of hits from Kyle Miller.

Senior catcher Aaron Ciborowski paced PCAs offensive attack with two hits, including a home run. Jordan Johnston and Andrew Shumaker chipped in with a

pair of hits each. PCA mounted a serious seventh-inning threat when it loaded the bases with two outs however, Kyle Miller worked out of the jam to preserve his team's first 2005 victory.

Eagles win tourney

PCA captured the Warriors Invitational Saturday afternoon when it mercifully Ypsilanti Calvary Christian and host Novi Franklin Road, 14-2 and 16-0, respectively.

Senior righthander Stephen Sumner tossed a four-inning one-hitter in the opener, striking out six. Sumner also shined at the plate, going 3-for-4 with a double, triple, home run and seven RBI.

With the game tied at 1-1, the Eagles erupted for five in the second and eight in the fourth to advance to the final game of the four-team tournament.

Senior pitcher Andrew

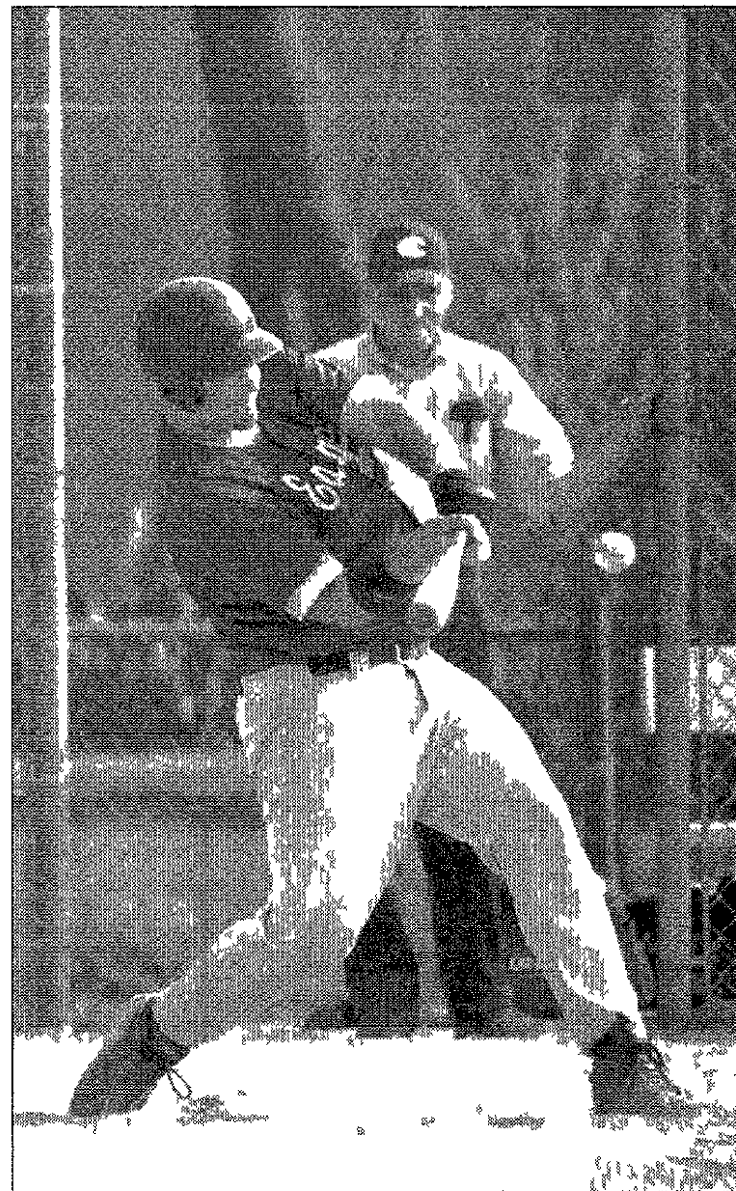
Shumaker was the star in the championship game, as he improved his record to 2-0 by limiting Franklin Road to three hits in three innings of work. Offensively PCA was led by Bob Unis (3-for-4, two runs, four RBI), Eric Immerfall (3-for-3, three RBI), Ciborowski (2-for-3, home run, two RBI) and Nathan Bixler who contributed a pair of hits.

PCA outlasted Franklin Road 14-4. The Eagles tallied six in the first, five in the second, three in the third and a pair of runs in the final frame.

PCA 15 Oakland Christian 9 The Eagles (8-1 overall, 1-0 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference) broke open a close game Tuesday afternoon with three runs in the third, four in the fourth and five in the fifth.

Andrew Shumaker upped his record to 3-0 with three and two thirds innings of stellar relief pitching.

Eric Immerfall (3 for 4, home run), Stephen Sumner (home run, double, triple), Nathan Bixler (2 for 3, three runs, four stolen bases) and Aaron Ciborowski (2 for 3, two RBIs) led the Eagles' offensive attack.



ROB CIBOROWSKI

Plymouth Christian's Aaron Ciborowski ripped a home run in Monday's 8-6 loss to Agape Christian.

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Zebras mercy visiting Chiefs, 11-1

Coach Tom Wakefield was waiting for his bats to wake up, and it happened Tuesday as his Wayne Memorial baseball team unloaded for 14 hits in an 11-1, six-inning mercy-rule win over visiting Canton.

It was the opener for both teams as Wayne won its fifth straight to improve to 5-2 overall and 1-0 in the Western Division of the Western Lakes Activities Association.

"We've been scratching together runs so far this season and our pitching has been holding us in," Wakefield said. "So it was nice for a change to get a comfortable lead early and relieve our pitching staff so they can just go out there and throw. Today we were hit-

BASEBALL

ting the ball all over the place and that was a good sign."

Earl Martin led the Wayne hit parade, going 3-for-3 with a pair of doubles and three RBI. Andrew Kaletto added two hits, including a double and three RBI, while Justin Schofield and Justin Collop also contributing two hits apiece (including doubles).

Winning pitcher Dave Clendenning went all six innings, allowing just two hits and two walks while striking out eight.

Justin Latin had a double for the Chiefs, while Tank Khasawneh singled

Brian Whiting, who went the first three innings, took the loss for Canton. He was followed by Jake Powers and Shawn Ruman.

On Saturday, Wayne avenged last year's Division I regional semifinal setback by sweeping host Allen Park in a twinbill, 3-2 and 5-1.

Martin's two-out, 2-run double in the top of the seventh gave Wayne the victory in the first game.

Martin, Danny Walsh and Kaletto each had two hits in the win.

Clendenning went the first five innings, allowing two earned runs on four hits. He struck out six and walked only one Collop, who earned the

victory in relief, pitched two scoreless innings, fanning four and allowing three hits.

Brady Cooper and Kevin Robson each collected two hits for the Jaguars.

Reliever Ricky Simms took the loss.

Clint Served batted in two runs, while, Jeremy Jammick, Martin and Walsh added one RBI apiece in the second game.

Jammick, the winning pitcher, went four innings, allowing just three hits and one earned run. Collop went the final three innings in relief, allowing just one hit and two walks. He struck out three.

Anthony Savone took the loss for Allen Park.

GOLF RESULTS

CANTON 228 JOHN GLENN 250
April 19 at the Woodlands
Canton scorers: Natalie Slupek 48, Kate Hoeksema 54, Cammi Millwood 61, Emily Kenny 65.
John Glenn scorers: Jessie Belfri 49, Carrie Kilkowski 54, Jessica Riggs 56, Taylor Morgan 71.
Dual meet records: Canton 10 overall, 10 WLAA; John Glenn 0 overall, 0 WLAA.

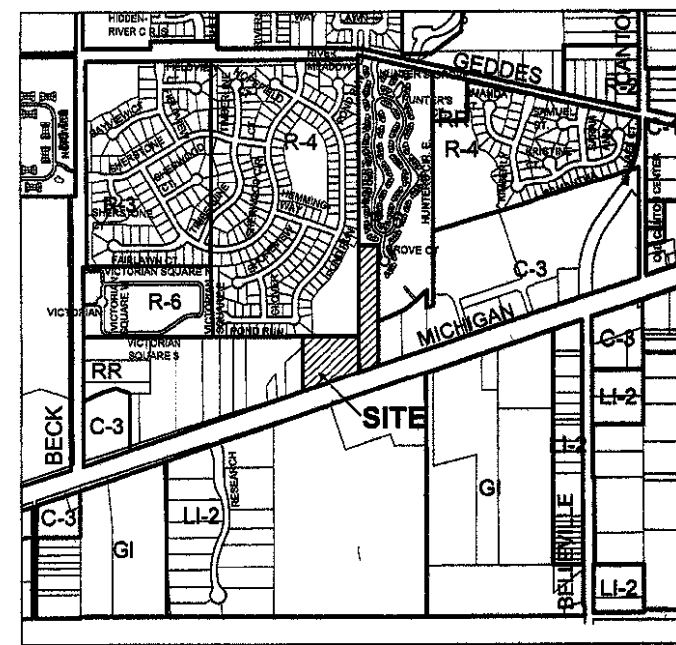
LIVONIA CHURCHILL 184
April 18 at Whispering Willows
Salem scorers: Ashley Smith 40, Anna Ross 44, Jamie Siedlaczek 41, Katelyn Rzetelney 48, Alyssa Mastic 56, Christine Mastic 56, Christine Garland 59.
Churchill scorers: Shannon Warner 37 (medalist), Ashley Birt 44, Sarah Walls 46, Stacey Lewandowski 57, Theresa Nutten 62, Amanda Dobos 65.
Dual meet records: Salem 11 overall, 11 WLAA; Churchill 11 overall, 11 WLAA.

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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 May 2 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 27.08 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance.

VICTORY TOYOTA SPECIAL LAND USE CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR AN AUTOMOBILE DEALERSHIP AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 17.02B4 FOR PARCEL NOS 129 99 0009 000 AND 131 99 0010 000. Property is located north of Michigan Avenue and west of Canton Center Road.



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday, April 28, 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

Vic Gustafson, Chairman

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

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TERRY G BENNETT Clerk

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton notice is hereby given that a May 3 2005 Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Tuesday May 3 2005 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at which time candidates in the Plymouth Canton Community School District Schoolcraft Community College District and Van Buren Public Schools in Wayne County

PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

VOTE FOR ONE-TERM ENDING 2009.
Emily L Florence
Thomas J P Wysocki

SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TRUSTEE AT LARGE

VOTE FOR ONE - FOUR YEAR TERM ENDING 2009
Philip N Cascade

VOTE FOR TWO- SIX YEAR TERM ENDING 2011
Gregory J Stempien
Patricia L Watson

VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

VOTE FOR ONE- TERM ENDING 2009
Ralph A. Nodwell
Andrew Wrenbeck

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a MAY 3, 2005 ELECTION will be held on Tuesday, MAY 3, 2005 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the following polling locations:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a MAY 3, 2005 ELECTION will be held on Tuesday, MAY 3, 2005 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the following polling locations:

Precinct No	Name of Facility	Address
1 & 23	First Baptist Church	44500 Cherry Hill Rd
2	Tri City Christian Center	3855 Sheldon S
3 10 21	St John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Road
4 & 13	Miller Elementary School	43721 Hanford Road
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7	Salem High School	46181 Joy Road
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9 & 34	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N Haggerty Road
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12 & 14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet Street
15	Winter/Walker Elementary School	39932 Michigan Avenue
16 & 17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S Sheldon
20	Township Fire Station #1	1100 S Canton Center
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Road
24 & 25	Canton High School	8415 N Canton Center
26, 27 & 36	Summit on the Park	46000 Summit Parkway
28	Agape Christian School	45081 Geddies
18 & 29	Field Elementary School	1000 S Haggerty
30	Mettetal Airport	8550 Lilley Road
32	Main Street Baptist Church	8500 Morton Taylor N
33 & 37	Dodson Elementary School	205 Beck Rd
35	Canton Human Service Center	50430 School House Rd
38	Cherry Hill Methodist Church	321 Ridge Rd
39	Plymouth High School	8400 N Beck Rd

The Office of the Township Clerk 1150 S Canton Center Road will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday APRIL 30 2005 for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday, MAY 2, 2005 those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day MAY 3, 2005. All absentee ballots that are returned in person must be returned to the Clerk's office by 4:00 P.M. MAY 3, 2005.

Handicapped Voters with an inaccessible polling place are eligible to vote without notice at the Clerk's Office until the close of voting at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

If you are unsure of your voting location please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's office at 394 5121.

Terry G Bennett, Clerk

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Transportation Department Pavement Rehabilitation Project**. Specifications and bid forms are available at the mandatory pre bid meeting being held on Monday May 2nd 2005 at 10:00 a.m. at the PCCS Bus Garage located at 1024 S Mill Street Plymouth MI 48170 or by contacting Laura Hagan in the PCCS Maintenance Department at (734) 416 2953. Sealed bids are due to the E J McClendon Educational Center RE Canton Media Center Bid 454 S Harvey Plymouth MI 48170 on or before 1:30 p.m. Wednesday May 11 2005 where they will be read publicly. For additional information phone Dan Phillips Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416 2746. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth Canton Community Schools
JOANNE LAMAR Secretary

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth on Tuesday May 3 2005 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. at which time the following will be voted on:

PLYMOUTH CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

There will be elected one (1) member to the Board of Education to a four (4) year term ending June 30 2009.

EMILY L FLORENCE
THOMAS J P WYSOCKI

SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There will be elected two (2) members to the Board of Trustees to six (6) year terms ending June 30 2011.

GREGORY J STEMPIEN
PATRICIA L WATSON

And there will be elected one (1) member to the Board of Trustees to a four (4) year term ending June 30 2009.

PHILIP N CASCADE

Write in candidates must file a Declaration of Intend on or before 4:00 p.m. Friday April 28 2005.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PROPOSAL

Shall the previous voted 2.00 mill increase in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution on general ad valorem taxes within the Charter Township of Plymouth which has been reduced by the required Headlee Amendment rollback to 1.6348 mills be renewed at 1.6348 mills and increased 0.3652 (overriding the Headlee rollback) mills for a total of 2 mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period of 2006 through 2025 inclusive and the funds thereby derived to be used for police and fire services for the Charter Township of Plymouth thereby raising in the first year \$3,756,613.

Yes _____ No _____

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Polling locations are as follows:

Precinct 1	Farrand School	41400 Greenbriar Ln
Precinct 2	Friendship Station	42375 Schoolcraft Rd
Precinct 3	Allen School	11100 Haggerty Rd
Precinct 4	Township Clerk's Office	42350 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 5	Bird School	220 N Sheldon Rd
Precinct 6	West Middle School	44401 Ann Arbor Tr
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Precinct 8	St. Kenneth's Catholic Church	14951 Haggerty Rd
Precinct 9	Church of the Nazarene	45801 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 10	Fiegl School	39750 Joy Rd
Precinct 11	First Baptist Church	45000 N Territorial Rd
Precinct 12	Pioneer Middle School	46081 Ann Arbor Rd
Precincts 13 & 16	Risen Christ Lutheran Church	46250 W Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 14	Isbister School	9300 N Canton Center Rd
Precinct 15	First United Methodist Church	45201 N Territorial Rd
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Salem kickers rebound in big way, 8-0

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Forty-eight hours after laying an offensive egg against Saline, the Salem girls soccer team made up for it with an 8-0 victory over Westland John Glenn Monday evening at the P-CEP soccer field. Six different players scored for the victorious Rocks, who improved their record to 2-4 overall and 2-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Finding the net for Salem were Katie Welch, Kristin March, Kathryn Wheatley, Kelly Adsit (two), Erica Arndt and Amy Gizicki. March (three), Andrea Gasparotto and Gizicki all recorded assists for the winners.

Salem goalies Alyssa Guerin and Jill Slabley both played a half to record the Rocks' first

shutout of the season. 'Even though she lost 8-0, their goalie — Melissa Farr — had a tremendous game,' said Salem coach Joe Nora. 'She must have had 25 saves.'

On Saturday, the Rocks dropped a thrilling 1-0 decision to Saline. The games only goal came at the 24:10 mark of the second half when Katie Bianchi slid the ball past Slabley.

'That goal was a microcosm of the entire game,' Nora said. 'We had three players go after the ball, it went over their heads and (Bianchi) was wide open in front of the net. Our goalie didn't stand a chance.'

'Saline was the more aggressive team today. They won most of the 50-50's and they seemed to want it more. I thought they played very well and we were a little flat, a little

tentative.' The Hornets improved to 3-1 with the victory. 'We love playing against the Plymouth teams because you know you're going to be playing against the top teams in the state,' said Saline coach David Tapping. 'We developed a good rivalry with Salem over the past few years.'

I thought we put a lot of good pressure on them in the first half, but we weren't getting the ball to space.

The Hornets suffered a setback with five minutes left in the first half when Alison Berger was transported by ambulance to the hospital after suffering an apparent head injury.

'It's always tough when you lose a player of Alison's ability early in the game, but the other girls stepped up and did

a nice job,' Tapping said. Guerin played and the first half in goal for Salem before being relieved by Slabley in the second. Guerin made a couple of stellar saves, the best coming four minutes into the game when she stuffed a point-blank shot by Robyn Busha.

Adsit almost tied the game with 3:17 left, but her break-away effort from 20 yards out flew just wide of the net.

Redford Thurston 3, Belleville 0: The Tigers dropped to 0-2 as Thurston's Tara Novak, Bernadette Fisher and Kelley Murphy scored goals for the Eagles (4-1-1). Alyssa Cooke recorded the shutout, stopping two Belleville shots.

Livonia Clarenceville 3, Canton Agape Christian 1: The Wolverines fell to 1-4 as the Trojans Lisa Rotenbber recorded a hat-trick.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

BASEBALL SIGN-UPS

Registration for spring T-ball for children 4 and 5 years old, coach pitch for 6- and 7-year-old kids, and machine-pitch for kids between the ages of 8 and 10 are currently being accepted by the Plymouth Family YMCA. For more registration information, call (734) 453-2904.

T-BALL LEAGUE

The City of Plymouth is accepting registrations for its Summer 2005 T-Ball league. All games will be held on Wednesday or Thursday evenings at Central Middle School. Practice days will be determined by each team's coach. Games begin the week of

June 20 and will run through Aug 5.

The fee for Plymouth residents is \$55, the non-resident fee is \$75. Registration forms can be filled out at the Parks & Recreation Dept., located in the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer St. Weekday office hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

For more information, call (734) 455-6620.

YMCA OFFERINGS

The Plymouth YMCA is currently accepting registrations for youth flag football (ages 8-12) and spring soccer (ages 4-10).

Both leagues will begin in April with one practice and one game per week. Call (734) 453-2904 for more information.

Charter Township of Canton Public Notice of Accuracy Test

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerks Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the Election on Tuesday May 3, 2005. The test will take place on Wednesday, April 27 at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerks Office, Township Administration Building 1150 South Canton Center Road. This test is open to all interested parties. For further information contact Clerks Office at 734 394 5120.

Terry G Bennett, Clerk

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PLYMOUTH-CANTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of the Plymouth Canton Community Schools invites all interested and qualified companies to submit a bid for **Canton High School Media Center Renovations & Computer Lab**. Specifications and bid forms are available by contacting Laura Hagan in the PCCS Maintenance Department at (734) 416 2953. Sealed bids are due to the E J McClendon Educational Center RE Canton Media Center Bld 454 S Harvey Plymouth MI 48170 on or before 1:00 p.m. Wednesday May 11, 2005 where they will be read publicly. For additional information phone Dan Phillips Assistant Director of Finance & Purchasing at (734) 416 2746. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept and/or reject all bids as they judge to be in the best interest of the school district.

Board of Education
Plymouth Canton Community Schools
JOANNE LAMAR, Secretary

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
Notice of Election to the Electors
To be held on May 3, 2005
**PLYMOUTH CANTON
COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY
COLLEGE DISTRICT**
Wayne County, Michigan

Please Take Notice that the election of the Plymouth Canton Community School District and Schoolcraft Community College District will be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2005. THE POLLS OPEN AT 7:00 AM AND CLOSE AT 8:00 PM.

At the Plymouth/Canton Community School District election there will be elected one (1) member to the Board of Education for a full term of four (4) years ending 2009.

The following persons have been nominated:

Emily L. Florence
Thomas J. P. Wysocki

Write in candidates must file an Application of Intent on or before 4:00 PM on Friday April 29, 2005.

At the Schoolcraft Community College District election there will be elected three (3) Trustee positions for the College Board for the following terms: One (1) four (4) year term ending 2009 and two (2) six (6) year terms ending 2011.

The following persons have been nominated:

Philip N. Cascade (4 year term)
Gregory J. Stempfen (6 year term)
Patricia L. Watson (6 year term)

Write in candidates must file an Application of Intent on or before 4:00 PM on Friday April 29, 2005.

POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE MAY 3, 2005 ELECTION CITY PRECINCT #1, #2 AND #4

Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer Street Plymouth, Michigan

PRECINCT #3

Central Middle School 650 West Church Street Plymouth, Michigan

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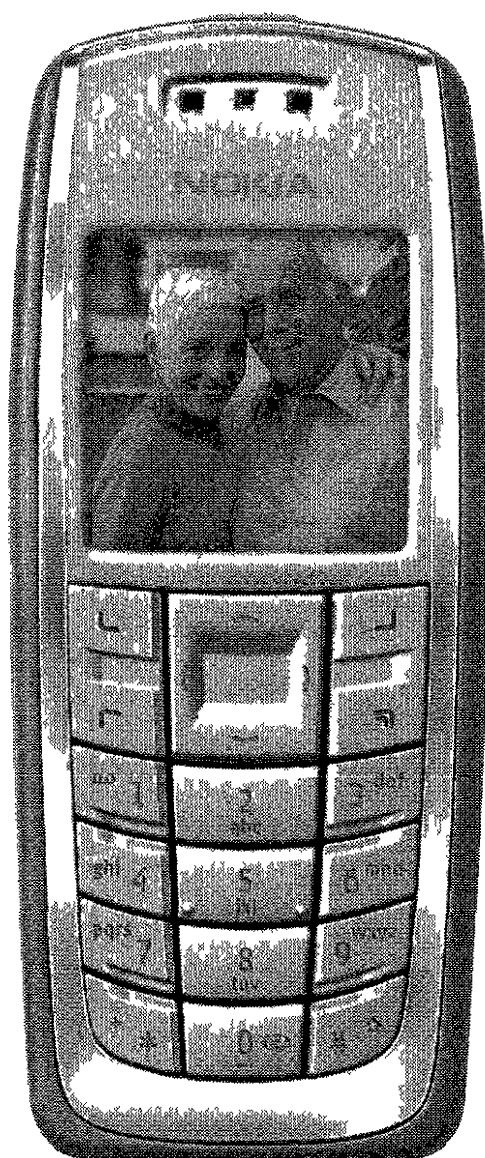
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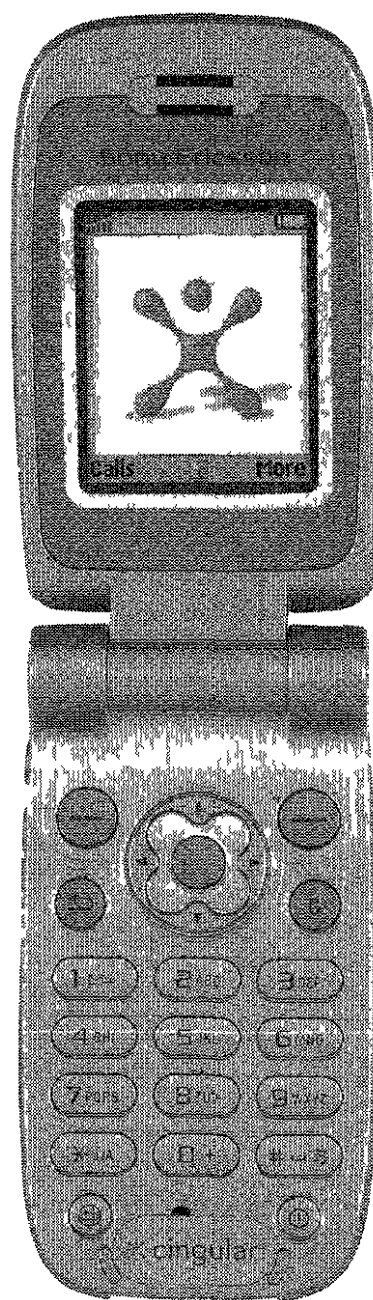
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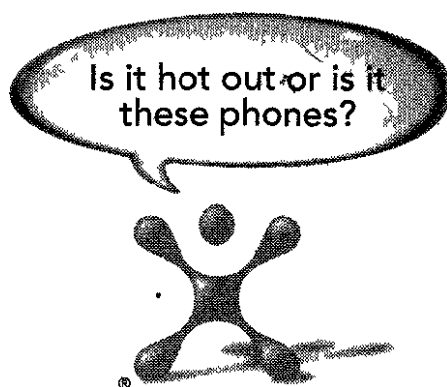
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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings-April 12, 2005

The Board of Trustees convened at 6:35 p.m. in closed session to discuss pending litigation. Members Present: Bennett, Caccamo, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo. Staff Present: Director Santomauro. Closed session adjourned at 6:55 p.m. Motion by Zarbo supported by Bennett to move from closed session to open session at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously. A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, April 12, 2005 at 1150 Canton Center S. Supervisor Yack called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll Call: Members Present: Bennett, Caccamo, Kirchgatter, LaJoy, McLaughlin, Yack, Zarbo. Staff Present: Director Minghine, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin, Jeff Goulet. Planning: Adoption of Agenda. Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the amended Regular Board Minutes of March 22, 2005 with Citizens' Non-Agenda Item comments regarding Anthony Cauchi, 7410 Hillsboro comments striking everything after the first sentence ending with growth. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the Board Study Minutes of March 29, 2005. Motion carried unanimously. Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Board Study Minutes of April 5, 2005. Motion carried unanimously. Citizens' Non-Agenda Item Comments: Bob Brown, Interim Executive Director, Senior Alliance stated that the Senior Alliance has an objective to do outreach. Payment of Bills: Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by McLaughlin to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Expenditure Recap for April 12, 2005: General Fund 101 \$656,599.64, Fire Fund 206 453,704.78, Police Fund 207 177,589.92, Summit Operating 208 113,426.59, Street Lighting 219 18,511.39, Cable TV Fund 230 2,757.24, E 911 Utility 261 593.54, Auto Forfeiture (w/wa) 267 11,165.98, Auto Theft Grant 289 1,854.24, Downtown Dev Auth 294 1,127.44, Cap Proj Bldg Const 402 74,061.87, Golf Fund 584 75,208.13, Water & Sewer Fund 592 555,150.59, Trust & Agency Fund 701 5,994.00, Construction Escrows 702 286,021.35, Post Employment Benefits 736 33,982.71, Saltz Road Paving 803 152,500.00, Total - All Fund 2,467,901.41. RECOGNITION: 1. RECOGNITION OF DAVID GRIFFIN AND DAVE KHOURY FOR SERVICE TO THE DDA BOARD. CONSENT CALENDAR: Item 1. APPROVE WESTERN WAYNE CO FIRE DEPARTMENT MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION DUES (PSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to pay the Western Wayne County Mutual Aid Associations dues in the amount of \$6108.40 from Fire Fund Account #206 336 950 0000 Contributions Mutual Aid. Motion carried unanimously. Item 2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR NEW HOPE CHURCH'S FUNFEST (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs (two (2) 4 x 8 signs at the site and removed promptly after the event) for New Hope Church's Funfest on June 4, 2005 located at 44815 Cherry Hill Road. Motion carried unanimously. Item 3. SPECIAL COMMUNITY EVENT STATUS AND THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNS FOR TRI-CITY CHRISTIAN MOPS (MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS) MOM TO MOM SALE (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve special event status and placement of signs (placed at major intersections on April 17th and removed promptly after the event) for Tri City Christian MOPS Mom to Mom Sale on April 23, 2005. Tri City Christian Center located at 3855 Sheldon Road. Motion carried unanimously. GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. CONSIDER LIVONIA BUILDERS REZONING (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for rezoning request of Livonia Builders from RR Rural Residential to R 3 Single Family Residential District. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request of Livonia Builders. WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 13.68 acres of land located south of Saltz Road between Beck and Canton Center Roads be rezoned from RR, Rural Residential to R-3 Single Family District and WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by property tax EDP #s 063 99 0004 702 063 99 0005 000 063 99 0010 000 and 063 99 0012 000 from RR Rural Residential to R 3 Single Family Residential District. Item 2. CONSIDER SPECIAL LAND USE FOR COIN OPERATED AMUSEMENT DEVICE ESTABLISHMENT AND SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF ZAP ZONE RETAIL CENTER (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt the amended resolution for special land use for a Coin Operated Amusement Device Establishment (Arcade) and Site Plan Approval for the redevelopment of the Zap Zone Retail Center. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Special Land Use for a Coin Operated Amusement Device Establishment (Arcade) and Site Plan Approval for the Redevelopment of the Zap Zone Retail Center. WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor has requested special land use approval for a coin operated amusement device establishment (arcade) and site plan approval for redevelopment of the retail center, located south of Ford Road between Haggerty and Lilley Roads (Tax EDP # 053 99 0012 703) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission found the proposed special land use and site plan to be CONSISTENT with the development objectives of the Township and recommended APPROVAL and WHEREAS, the Board has requested the project sponsor to meet the requirements for family friendly and young teens for the arcade games and WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the proposed request for special land use and site plan approval and determines the proposal to be CONSISTENT with the Zoning Ordinance regulations and development objectives subject to the conditions described in the analysis and recommendation form attached hereto and made a part hereof. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby APPROVE the special land use approval for a coin operated amusement device establishment (arcade) and the site plan for redevelopment of the retail center located south of Ford Road between Haggerty and Lilley Roads (Tax EDP # 053-99 0012 703) and subject to Chapter 10 Article III of the Code of Ordinances and all other regulations of the Township. Item 3. CONSIDER IKEA FINAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND SITE PLAN (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for IKEA Final Planned Development District and IKEA Site Plan. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON IKEA Final Planned Development District. WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor Mr. Bryan Amann has proposed the development of a commercial Planned Development District to be known as IKEA PDD located on Ford Road between Lilley and Haggerty Roads (Tax ID #s 044 99 0022001 044 99 0017 706 047 99 0010 000 047 99 0012 000 and 047 99 0014 003) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission at a public hearing reviewed the proposed Final Planned Development District concept plans and agreement and recommended APPROVAL of IKEA Final Planned Development District conditioned upon receipt of the final fiscal impact and market needs analyses and easement agreements revision of the plans to correct the inconsistencies on the landscape plan and showing the final design of the DDA improvements along Haggerty Road and based on the following findings of fact: o The layout of the project is in keeping with the Community's goals and objectives for the Ford Road corridor. The design of the project demonstrates sensitivity to the preservation and enhancement of an existing tree line which provides a natural buffer along the residential neighborhood to the north of the site. o The project provides definite benefit to the community by creating economic opportunities and benefits that no other business in the community could. IKEA will employ approximately 300 employees at the Canton store. Additional jobs may be created in other community businesses as a result of Canton becoming a regional shopping destination. Visitors to IKEA will likely patronize shops, restaurants, gas stations, theatres, recreation facilities and hotels in the community. IKEA's presence will enhance the sustainability of our local businesses and contribute to the community's continuing viability. o The design demonstrates consistency with the spirit and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance and Master Land Use Plan in the development of the project as a PDD creating a higher quality project than might be possible under standard zoning requirements. o The proposal is in general compliance with Township regulations. Requested modifications have been outlined in an attachment to the PDD agreement. o The traffic study indicates that a number of road improvements may be necessary to Ford Road, Haggerty Road and the 1 275 off ramps. MDOT may require IKEA to participate in or fully fund such improvements as they determine to be necessary. The signalized intersections along Ford Road currently operate at poor levels of service and will operate at this level or worse given the anticipated peak hour traffic levels. o The project has demonstrated that it meets the open space requirements of the PDD regulations. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does APPROVE the request of the project sponsor Mr. Bryan Amann to grant approval of the IKEA Final Planned Development District conditioned upon receipt of the easement agreements revision of the plans to correct the inconsistencies on the landscape plan and to show the final design of the DDA improvements along Haggerty Road to be funded by IKEA and any road or signalization improvements required by MDOT to be funded by IKEA and further based upon recommendations made by staff and the Planning Commission as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON IKEA Site Plan. WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor Mr. Bryan Amann has requested site plan approval for IKEA to be located on Ford Road between Lilley and Haggerty Roads (Tax ID #s 044 99 0022001 044 99 0017 706 047 99 0010 000 047 99 0012 000 and 047 99 0014 003) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to APPROVE the request to grant site plan approval as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does APPROVE the request of the project sponsor Mr. Bryan Amann to approve the site plan for the proposed IKEA conditioned upon revision of the plans to correct the inconsistencies on the landscape plan and showing the final design of the DDA improvements along Haggerty Road and subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Item 4. CONSIDER BLOCK REZONING (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution rezoning request of Joe Bloch. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Rezoning Request of Joe Bloch. WHEREAS, the petitioner has requested approximately 4.77 acres located on the east side of Lilley Road between Joy and Warren Roads be rezoned from LI 2, Light Industrial 2 District to R 6, Single Family Attached Residential District and WHEREAS, the requested rezoning WOULD be in conformity with the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Planning Commission recommended APPROVAL of the request, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of the petitioner to rezone property identified by property tax EDP # 008 99 0001 707 to R 6 Single Family Attached Residential District. Item 5. CONSIDER EXPANSION OF THE HOME DEPOT GARDEN CENTER - MICHIGAN AVENUE (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution for site plan for Home Depot Garden Center Expansion - Michigan Avenue. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Site Plan for Home Depot Garden Center Expansion - Michigan Avenue. WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor, Mr. Burton Welte has requested site plan approval for the proposed Home Depot Garden Center Expansion to be located north of Michigan Avenue and west of Canton Center Road (Tax ID #129 99 0001 701) and, WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the site plan and made a recommendation to APPROVE the request to grant site plan approval as summarized in the attached written analysis and recommendation. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Michigan does hereby approve the request of the petitioner Mr. Burton Welte, to approve the site plan for the proposed Home Depot Garden Center Expansion subject to any and all state and local development regulations and further subject to any conditions recommended by the Planning Commission and staff as described in the analysis and recommendation attached hereto and made a part hereof. Item 6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH WAYNE COUNTY FOR THE PAVING OF LOTZ ROAD (FORD TO WARREN). (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the Township Supervisor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with Wayne County for Lotz Road paving (Ford Road to Warren). Motion carried unanimously. Whereas, the Charter TOWNSHIP OF CANTON believes quality roads are a vital part of any community and Whereas, certain improvements are necessary to Lotz Road to increase (traffic safety) and to encourage economic development and Whereas, Wayne County has committed to Lotz Road in an area generally described as Lotz Road from Ford Rd (M 153) to Warren Rd, and the TOWNSHIP will assist financially in the resurfacing of said road and Whereas, CANTON TOWNSHIP will provide payment to the County of Wayne in the amount of twenty percent (20%) (as found in Exhibit A to this Agreement) of the total cost of Part A of the project and 100% of Part B and Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Charter TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Board of Trustees does hereby approve the proposed Agreement between the TOWNSHIP and County of Wayne for the pavement of Lotz Road from Ford Road (M 153) to Warren Road and Be it further resolved, that the [Supervisor and Clerk] are authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Charter TOWNSHIP OF CANTON. I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter TOWNSHIP OF CANTON County of Wayne Michigan at a meeting held on April 12, 2005. WHEREAS, the County of Wayne acting through its County Commission at the request of the County Executive Officer has adopted a five (5) year Capital

Improvement Program which provides for the improvement of certain roads located within the County of Wayne and the financing thereof. WHEREAS, the five (5) year Capital Improvement Program included the paving of Lotz Road from Ford Road (M 153) to Warren Road and was included in the annual budget for FY 2000 2001 adopted by this Commission. NOW THEREFORE, be it: RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Commission this 12th day of April 2005 that approval be and is hereby granted authorizing an Agreement between the County of Wayne and the Township of Canton to provide for cost sharing in the paving of Lotz Road from Ford Road (M 153) to Warren Road as recommended by the Chief Executive Officer the costs for which are estimated at \$3,061,197 (which will be adjusted to reflect actual costs) and which shall be expended from Account 201 44908 818080 201 44908 700000/714000/725000 and be it further RESOLVED, that the Township of Canton will provide payment to the County of Wayne in the amount of \$164,647 which represents 20% of the estimated construction costs of Part A and \$118,412 which represents 100% of Part B (as found in Exhibit A to this Agreement) which shall be deposited in Account No. 201 44905 583340 and be it further RESOLVED, that the Chief Executive Officer be and is hereby duly authorized to execute the aforementioned contract on behalf of the County of Wayne. Item 7. DUMP BOX REPLACEMENT - FLEET SERVICES (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to utilize Contract Welding & Fabricating, Inc to replace the dump box of Public Works unit #119101 at a cost of \$9,075.00 (account # 592 000 142 0000). Motion carried unanimously. Item 8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A WASTEWATER DISCHARGE ORDINANCE DELEGATION AGREEMENT WITH YCUA. (MSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the wastewater discharge ordinance delegation agreement with YCUA and further authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of Canton. Motion carried unanimously. Item 9. CONSIDER FIRST READING OF AMENDMENT TO THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES, UTILITIES - ARTICLE IV, CHAPTER 74-316, PROHIBITED CONCENTRATIONS OF CERTAIN POLLUTANTS, MERCURY REDUCTION PLAN. (MSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to introduce the first reading of the amendments to the Utilities Ordinance Article IV Chapter 74 316 "Prohibited Concentrations of Certain Pollutants, Mercury Reduction Plan" with a publication date of April 21, 2005 and table for a second reading on April 26, 2005. Motion carried unanimously. AMENDMENT TO CODE OF ORDINANCE SECTION #74-316. A revision to the current Utility ordinance to amend Section #74 316 of Canton's Code of Ordinances "Prohibited concentrations of certain pollutants mercury reduction plan". New language is shown in bold text deleted language is shown in strike out. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON that Section 316 (b) and (c) of Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances shall be revised to read as follows: Sec 74 316 (b) No person shall discharge wastewater such that the concentration of pollutants contained in a representative 24 hour composite sample shall exceed the following limits: at or above the following surcharge threshold, except as otherwise permitted in writing by the Director and on payment of a surcharge, and no person shall discharge wastewater such that the concentration of pollutants contained in a representative 24-hour composite sample exceeds the following upper limits, with respect to the following compatible pollutants. COMPATIBLES

Surcharge Threshold	Upper Limits	Pollutant
300 mg/l	756 mg/l	BOD (Biochemical Oxygen Demand)
350 mg/l	2,366 mg/l	Total SS (Suspended Solids)
600 mg/l	1,530 mg/l	COD (Chemical Oxygen Demand)
13 mg/l	63 mg/l	Total Phosphorus
25.46 mg/l	452 mg/l	TKN Ammonia Nitrogen

(c) No person shall discharge wastewater such that the concentration of pollutants contained in a representative 24 hour composite sample shall exceed the following limits with respect to the following inorganic or organic pollutants or phenolic compounds. INORGANICS

Limit	Pollutant
1.0 mg/l	Arsenic
0.0017 mg/l	Beryllium
0.100 mg/l	Cadmium
4.0 mg/l	Chromium (Total)
3.0 mg/l	Copper
1.0 mg/l	Cyanides
0.3 mg/l	Lead
Nondetectable	Mercury (see subsection (f) of this section)
3.0 mg/l	Nickel
0.12 mg/l	Silver
3.0 mg/l	Zinc

ORGANICS

Limit	Pollutant
1.10 mg/l	Bis (2-Ethylhexyl) phthalate
0.55 mg/l	Total Phenols
Nondetectable	PCB Polychlorinated biphenyls (Nondetectable per US EPA method 608. Any detectable sample exceeds this limit.)

Item 10. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF COMPUTER MONITOR MOUNTING BRACKET SYSTEM FOR DISPATCH (PSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the following Budget amendment to create a new Police Capital Line item for the purchase of computer monitor mounting bracket system for the dispatch center from Thomas Shelby & Company Inc 309 S Park Dr, St Mary's, OH 45885 for an amount of \$4197.00. Motion carried unanimously. Increase Revenues Fund Balance Appropriation #207 000 699 0000 \$4197.00 Increase Appropriations Capital Outlay Equipment #207 301 977 0000 \$4197.00. Item 11. PURCHASE OF 2005 FORD CROWN VICTORIA FOR FIRE (PSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of 2005 Ford Crown Victoria from Signature Ford, of Perry MI for a total cost of \$20,646 through the Macomb County Extended Purchasing Program Account #206 336 977 0000 Capital Outlay. Motion carried unanimously. Item 12. RETAIN DOTSON ELECTRIC OF INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY GENERATOR IN PUBLIC SAFETY. (PSD). Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve the bid from Dotson Electric, of South Rockwood Michigan to for the purchase and installation of an emergency diesel generator for the Public Safety building for an amount of \$95,955 plus a contingency of \$10,000 for a total cost of \$111,655 through the Department of Homeland Security Grant FY2005 Act. No 101. Motion carried unanimously. Item 13. PURCHASE OF TWO 2005 FORD EXPEDITIONS AND THREE 2005 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTORS ASSIGNED TO PATROL IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT (PSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the budget amendment to create a new line item for the purchase of a 2005 Ford Interceptor from Signature Ford of Perry MI for a cost of \$20,338. Increase Revenues Fund Balance Appropriation #207 000 699 0000 \$20,338 Increase Appropriations Capital Outlay Equipment #207 301 977 0000 \$20,338. Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of two (2) 2005 Ford 4 door 4x4 Expeditions three 2005 Ford Police Interceptors, from Signature Ford of Perry MI for a total cost of \$112,932 (Capital Outlay Equipment #207. Motion carried unanimously. Item 14. APPROVAL TO SELL OUT-OF SERVICE RESCUE SQUADS (PSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the sale of the following out of service rescue squads to George Oeguera 5232 Guzman Tamazula Jalisco Mexico 49650 in the amount of \$7500 including taxes. Proceeds to be placed in General Fire Revenue Account #206 000 673-0000 Sale of Fixed Assets. Motion carried unanimously. Item 15. AWARD BID FOR THE 2005 CANTON LIBERTY FEST FIREWORKS DISPLAY. (LSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to award the bid for the 2005 Liberty Fest fireworks display to Wolverine Fireworks Display, Inc 205 West Seidlers Road, Kawkawlin MI 48631 in an amount not to exceed \$24,000 and charge the expense to the Recreation Budget. Contracted Services Special Events Account #101 691 818 4000. Motion carried unanimously. Item 16. UPGRADE OF SECURITY SYSTEM (LSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to waive the bid procedure and approve the purchase of security system components for Pheasant Run Golf Club and Summit on the Park from Advanced Satellite Communications 9282 General Drive Suite 110 Plymouth MI 48170 in the amount of \$39,991 from the Community Improvement Fund account #246 750 818 0000. Motion carried unanimously. Item 17. AWARD BID FOR LAWN AND CEMETERY MAINTENANCE. (LDS). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to award the 2005 Lawn and Maintenance bid to Metro Tech Landscaping 6861 Merriman Road Romulus MI 48174 in the amount of \$49,290. Motion carried unanimously. Item 18. AWARD BID FOR THE 2005 CANTON LEISURE SERVICES INFLATABLE ATTRACTIONS. (LSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to award the bid for inflatable attractions to Chris Nordman Associates Inc 4632 Elizabeth Lake Road, Waterford, MI 48323 in an amount not to exceed \$22,050 to be paid from the Recreation Budget. Contracted Services account #101 691 818 4000 Special Events (\$15,150) account #101 691 818 3000 Youth Development (\$4,900) and Canton Sports Center Program and Activities account #101 755 742 0000 (\$2,000). Motion carried unanimously. Item 19. AWARD BID FOR GOOSE CONTROL AT PHEASANT RUN GOLF CLUB AND HERITAGE PARK (LSD). Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to award the contract for goose control management of Pheasant Run and Heritage Park to Gooseworks, 12040 Crooked Lane South Lyon, MI in the amount of \$14,250 to be paid from Pheasant Run account #584 756 818 0000 (\$10,250) and Parks Division account #101 270 818 0000 (\$4,000). Motion carried unanimously. Item 20. APPROVE THE CONTRACT FOR THE GOLF PROFESSIONAL AT PHEASANT RUN (LSD). Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to approve an incentive based pay contract with Greg Bores, as Golf Professional with a base salary not to exceed \$34,440 and an additional incentive not to exceed \$50,000 (Golf Course Fund - Part Time/Seasonal Salaries Account # 584-756 706 0000) (Incentive based pay is paid as a percentage of new revenue that Canton Township will receive). Motion carried unanimously. Item 21. AMEND AGREEMENT WITH SMART FOR NEW VAN. (ACSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by LaJoy to approve the Amendment to Specialized Services Vehicle Agreement with the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART) for a new Aerotech E 350 twenty one foot diesel van. Motion carried unanimously. Item 22. MOBILE HOME PARK COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT. (ACSD). Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to authorize submission of a grant application to the Office of Drug Control Policy for \$31,500 (Account #207 000 505 1000 Federal Grants Community Policing Strategies) for Year Four of the assignment of a Police Officer to Wagon Wheel, College Park and Holiday Estates mobile home parks and further authorize a 60 percent match from Canton Township of \$47,254 towards the grant award for a project total of \$78,754. Motion carried unanimously. Item 23. CANTON TOWNSHIP AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION. (TODD CACCAMO). Motion by Bennett supported by Caccamo to adopt the resolution to proclaim April Autism Awareness Month. Motion carried unanimously. RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON. WHEREAS, Autism is a severely incapacitating lifelong developmental disability, resulting in significant impairment of an individual's ability to learn, develop healthy interactive behaviors, and understand verbal nonverbal, and reciprocal communication and WHEREAS, Autism is the third most common developmental disability affecting 1,500,000 individuals nationwide and at least 25,000 individuals in this state and WHEREAS, Autism is the result of a neurological disorder affecting the functioning of the brain but few members of the general public understand this complex syndrome, and, WHEREAS, although a cure for Autism has not been found persons with Autism can be helped to reach their greatest potential. Accurate, early diagnosis, and the resulting appropriate education and intervention are vital to the future growth and development of the individual and WHEREAS, Support groups, such as the Michigan Chapter of the Autism Society of America, and the Plymouth Canton Special Education Parent Advisory Committee have dedicated years of service in their ongoing efforts to advocate for the rights, humane treatment and appropriate education of all persons with Autism, and WHEREAS, These groups remain committed to their cause and to educating families professionals and the general public to better understand this lifelong disability, and WHEREAS, Autism is a complex disability that requires increased research to one day find a cure and prevention and greater recognition and understanding to ensure that individuals with Autism living in Canton Township and all other Americans with Autism are accurately diagnosed and appropriately treated throughout their lives. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Canton Board of Trustees locally and formally recognize April as National Autism Awareness Month and to develop concrete plans to improve the Township Volunteer Network to include specific needs related to residents with Autism. ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Dan McCausland spoke of issues related to the Central Business Overlay. Bob McCausland spoke related to support of Board Member Reports OTHER. Supervisor Yack stated there will be a study session on Goals and Objectives on April 19, 2005 1150 Canton Center South, Administration Building, First Floor. ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adjourn at 11:05 p.m. - Thomas J Yack Supervisor - Terry G Bennett Clerk

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STATE RANKINGS

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Girls Soccer

(By the coaches association)
Division 1 - 1 Northville 2 Novi 3 Troy Athens 4 Rochester, 5 Troy 6 Grand Blanc 7 Livonia Stevenson 8 Traverse City Central 9 Portage Central 10 East Kentwood
Honorable Mention - Saginaw Heritage Grosse Pointe South Brighton Lake Orion
Division 2 - 1 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central 2 Bloomfield Hills Lasher 3 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern 4 Birmingham Marian 5 Rochester Stoney Creek, 6 Mason 7 Petoskey 8 Portage Northern 9 Birmingham Groves, 10 Auburn Hills Avondale
Honorable Mention - Lowell Royal Oak Dondero East Lansing Royal Oak Kimball
Division 3 - 1 Birmingham-Detroit Country Day, 2 Hudsonville Unity Christian, 3 Jackson Lumen Christi 4 Plainwell 5 Pontiac Notre Dame Prep 6 Madison Heights Bishop Foley 7 Frankenmuth 8 Flint Powers Catholic 9 Williamston
Division 4 - 1 Kalamazoo Christian 2 Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic 3 Ann Arbor Greenhills 4 Auburn Hills Oakland Christian, 5 Muskegon Western Michigan Christian 6 Lansing Christian 7 Grosse Pointe Woods University Liggett 8 Royal Oak

Shrine 9 Clawson 10 Birmingham Roeper

Girls Golf

(By the coaches association)
Division 1 - 1 Grand Blanc 2 Ann Arbor Pioneer 3 Rochester, 4 Traverse City Central 5 Lake Orion, 6 Livonia Stevenson 7 Plymouth Salem 8 Northville 9 Ann Arbor Huron 10 Clarkston, 11 Grand Ledge 12 Holland West Ottawa
Division 2 - 1 Dexter 2 Birmingham Seaholm 3 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern 4 Marshall 5 Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 6 Swartz Creek 7 Okemos 8 Greenville 9 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central 10 Coldwater 11 Livonia Ladywood 12 East Lansing
Division 3 - 1 Flint Powers Catholic 2 DeWitt 3 Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, 4 Grand Rapids South Christian 5 Alma 6 Grosse Ile 7 Macomb Lutheran North 8 Ithaca 9 Wyoming Godwin Heights 10 Jackson Lumen Christi 11 Hillsdale 12 Ann Arbor Greenhills
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Boys Tennis

(By the coaches association)
Division 1 - 1 Ann Arbor Pioneer 2 Redford Detroit Catholic Central 3 Birmingham Brother Rice, 3 West Bloomfield, 5 Ann Arbor Huron 6 Port Huron Northern 7 Troy, 8 Grosse Pointe South 9 Novi 10 Brighton
Division 2 - 1 Birmingham Groves, 2 Okemos 3 Bloomfield Hills Lahser, 4 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central 5 North Farmington, 6 Grosse Pointe North 7 Portage Central 8 Rochester Stoney Creek, 9 Midland Dow 10 Holly
Division 3 - 1 Birmingham-Detroit Country Day, 2 Bloomfield Hills Andover, 3 East Grand Rapids 4 Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood, 5 Grand Rapids Forest Hills Northern 6 St. Joseph 7 Battle Creek Lakeview 8 Grand Rapids Catholic Central 9 Holland Christian 10 (tie) Allegan Sturgis
Division 4 - 1 Grosse Ile 2 Whitehall 3 Grandville Calvin Christian 4 Lansing Catholic Central 5 Saginaw Nouvel Catholic 6 Parchment 7 Portland 8 Kalamazoo Hackett Catholic 9 Buchanan 10 (tie) Almont Armada
Baseball
(BY the coaches association)
Division 1 - 1 Ann Arbor Pioneer 2 Redford Detroit Catholic Central 3 Farmington, 4 Grosse Pointe North 5 Rockford 6 Grand Ledge 7 Romeo 8 Rochester, 9 Northville 10 Lake Orion
Division 2 - 1 Grand Rapids Catholic Central 2 Lapeer West 3 Dearborn Divine Child 4 Midland Bullock Creek 5 Battle Creek Christian 6 Flint Powers Catholic 7 Holland Christian 8 Orchard Lake St Mary's, 9 Essexville Garber 10-Linden
Division 3 - 1 Homer 2 Shelby 3 Three Oaks River Valley 4 Hamlock 5 Monroe St Mary Catholic Central 6 Shepherd 7 St. Louis 8 Edwardsburg 9 Hudson 10 Armada
Division 4 - 1 Rochester Hills Lutheran Northwest, 2 Bellare 3 Coleman 4 St. Joseph Michigan Lutheran 5 Centerline St. Clement 6 Climax Scotts 7 Bay City All Saints 8 Fulton Middleton 9 Muskegon Catholic Central 10 Beal City

Softball

(By the coaches association)
Division 1 - 1 Harper Woods Regina 2 Troy, 3 White Lake Lakeland 4 Jenison 5 Lake Orion 6 Brighton 7 Sterling Heights Stevenson 8 Macomb LAnse Cruise North 9 East Kentwood 10 Hartland
Honorable Mention - Alpena Portage Central Milford Hudsonville Bay City Central Plymouth Canton
Division 2 - 1 St. Clair Shores Lake Shore 2 Wyoming Rogers 3 Escanaba 4 Lapeer West 5 Petoskey 6 Goodrich 7 Dowagiac Union 8 Ortonville Brandon 9 Richmond 10 St. Joseph
Honorable Mention - Tecumseh Chelsea Portland Marine City St. Clair
Division 3 - 1 Gladstone 2 Unionville Sebawing 3 Kalamazoo Christian 4 Hemlock 5 Marlette 6 Reese 7 Niles Brandywine 8 Saginaw Swan Valley 9 Freeland 10 Clinton
Honorable Mention - Lansing Catholic Central Morencore Maple City Glen Lake Waterlilet Lake Fenton LeRoy Pine River Elk Rapids
Division 4 - 1 Rogers City 2 Coleman 3 Custer Mason County Eastern 4 Mt Pleasant Sacred Heart 5 Waterford Our Lady of the Lakes 6 Center Line St. Clement 7 Lake Leelanau St. Mary's 8 Bay City All Saints 9 Mackinac City 10 Frankfort
Honorable Mention - Gaylord St. Mary's Merrill St. Joseph Lake Michigan Catholic Vandercook Lake Ellsworth Ottawa Lake Whiteford Posen

Crusader softball team maintains hot pace

Madonna University's women's softball team swept a pair of weekend doubleheaders, with pitcher Erin Brockert winning three of the games and continuing her hot hitting at the plate. Brockert twirled a three-hit 4-0 shutout in the first game Saturday against host Concordia University, striking out 10 Cardinals in the process. She relieved Liz Ballinger in the second game, going the final four innings, allowing just one hit and fanning four as the Crusaders won, 5-2. The pair of losses dropped Concordia's record to 8-22 and 2-10 in the Wolverine-Hoosier Athletic Conference. Brockert kept up her dominance with a one-hit blanketing Sunday of visiting St. Francis University (Ind.), improving to 13-2 on the season as the Crusaders cruised to a 10-0 romp. The

Dayton, Ohio native got things going at the plate, too, with a 3-for-3 performance, including a home run. Heather Richardson also enjoyed a big game, going 3-for-3 with a run scored and two RBI. Madonna (21-10, 9-3 in the WHAC) finished the sweep of the Cougars (7-20) with a 7-0 triumph, behind the two-hit pitching of Shannon Noder. In the nightcap, Brockert continued her hitting prowess, going 3-for-3 with a double, homer and four RBI. Outfielder Mary Warchuck went 2-for-3 with a double and outfielder Crystal Little (Wayne Memorial) singled in two. In the sweep of Concordia, Richardson ripped three hits and four others contributed two, including Krystal Shina, Lavonia Ladywood's Kathy Day, Stacey Sexsmith and Garden City graduate Lynzee Smith.

MU baseball squad tops Marian in pair

The Madonna University baseball team swept a pair of games against visiting Marian (Ind.) College Tuesday afternoon, 13-1 and 7-6. The first game was shortened to five innings due to the 10-run mercy rule. The Crusaders then needed eight innings to knock off the Knights in the nightcap. The sweep left the 18th-ranked Crusaders with a 29-10 mark. Marian slipped to 24-17. Madonna pushed across eight runs in the first inning in the game-one triumph. Joe Greene slugged a three-run home run and Todd Kalmbach added a solo blast to support the strong mound work of Will Kennedy, who earned the win. Jason Barbeau proved to be a catalyst for the Crusaders, going 3-for-3 with two runs and a pair of RBI. Catcher Justin Fabian went 3-for-3

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with an RBI and pinch-hitter Dan Miller added a two-RBI hit for the winners. Kennedy (3-1) worked four-and-two-thirds innings, yielding six hits, six walks and one earned run. Scott Miller came in to record the final out of the game in the top of the fifth. Joe McLaughlin suffered the loss for the Knights as he was rocked for nine earned runs in just three innings. Game two made up for the drama-less opener as Mike Cauzzillo's RBI double capped a two-run, eighth-inning rally to finish off the sweep. Derek Dufrane earned the win for the Crusaders, retiring the only two Knights he faced in the eighth. Starting pitcher Paul Hays was effective for

MU, shutting out Marian on five hits in four innings of work. MU led 1-0 until the top of the fifth when the visitors plated a couple of runs to make it 2-1. Marian expanded its cushion to 5-1 in the seventh before the Crusaders responded with a four-spot to tie the game at 5-5. Jason Barbeau and Kyle Fedorka both contributed two hits and two RBI for MU. MADONNA 11, URBANA (OHIO) 6-3. The Crusaders captured a pair of non-conference games Sunday at Urbana University (Ohio). Dave Herrick (Livonia Churchilli) had three hits and four RBI in the opener while Joe Green added two hits and three RBI in an 11-6 triumph. MU reliever Ryan Bardoni went the final 4-2 innings to pick up the win in relief of starter Mike Orehek. In the second game, Bob Houchins picked up his first pitching win of the season in a 5-3 triumph. He worked four innings allowing just one earned run. Mike Jacques (two innings) and Kyle Fedorka (one inning) finished

ished up. Greene had two hits and two RBI while Todd Kalmbach added two hits. Urbana falls to 6-39. MADONNA 8-3 TAYLOR (IND.) 13. In a non-conference pair Saturday in Upland Ind. the Crusaders rolled to an 8-1 victory in the nightcap after losing the opener 3-2. Joe Greene went 3 for 4 including a homer and four RBI to lead a 10 hit attack in the second game. Dan Valente and Kyle Fedorka added two RBI to support the eight hit pitching of Adam Kline (5-2) and reliever Will Kennedy (Westland John Glenn). Kline went the first five innings allowing one run on six hits. Kennedy came on a kept Taylor off the board over the final two. Taylor scored twice in the bottom of the seventh as Geoff Kerns scored on wild pitch by Kennedy after Kerns delivered the game tying RBI single off Scott Miller who took the loss. Derek Dufrane went the first six innings for MU allowing one run on six hits. He struck out 10 and walked only one. Taylor starter Michael Bentley who allowed just three hits in 6-2 innings got the victory. Chris Nycz got Matt Gorske on a line out to first to end the game and pick up the save. Valente had a 2-run homer in the top of the fifth to give MU a 2-1 lead.

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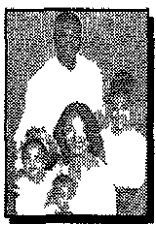
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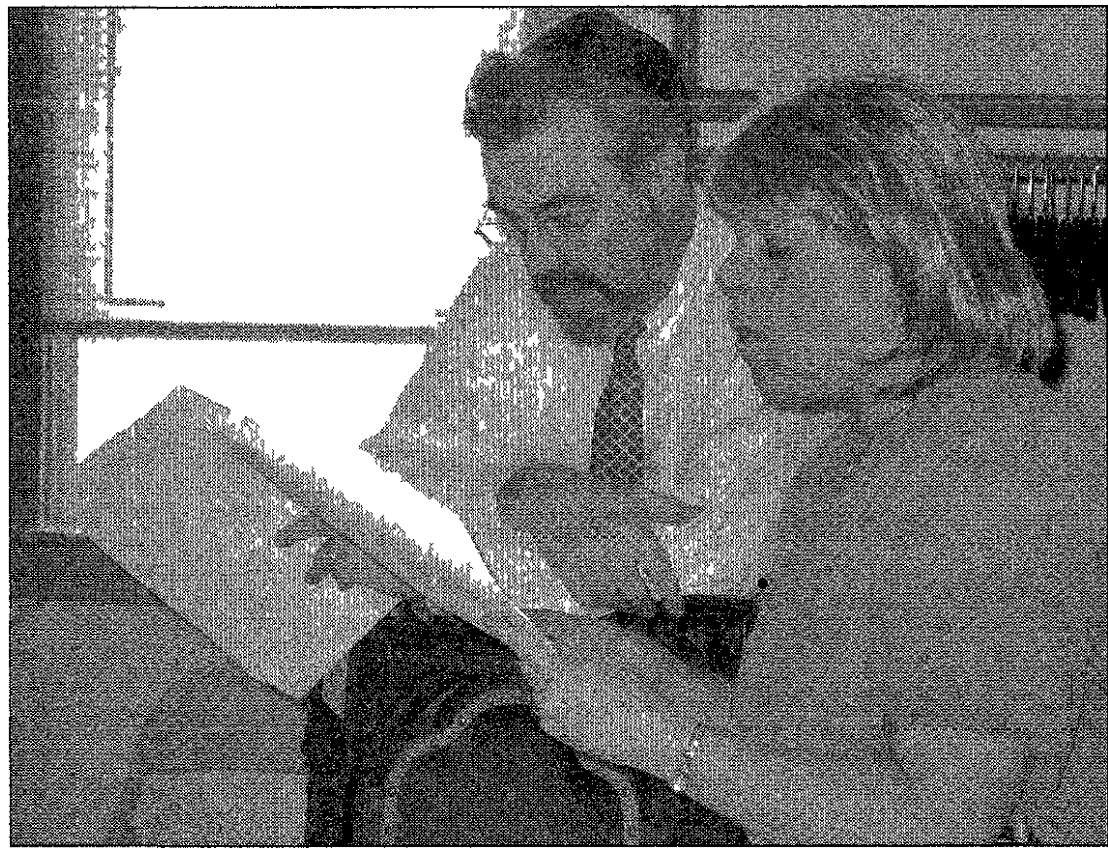
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Rabbi Peter Gluck and Robin Liberatore lead the Children's Seder on Sunday, April 17 in Canton

Passover celebration to unite family and friends

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

True to the name of their synagogue, congregants of Bet Chaverim in Canton are inviting the community to share their Seder feast 6 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at the Bailey Recreation Center in Westland.

Passover traditionally unites family and friends in remembrance of the liberation of the Jews from Egyptian slavery around 1280 B.C.E. after Moses asked Pharaoh to 'let my people go.' This year's holiday runs from sundown Saturday, April 23, to sundown Sunday, May 1 with the traditional Seder meal occurring on April 23 and 24.

'Bet Chaverim, loosely translated means gathering of friends,' said Jerry Kaplan, a Canton resident who will begin Passover on Saturday, April 23, in his uncle's home in Oakland County. Amongst the nearly 40 guests will be Kaplan's children Kyle, 19 and Shelby, 17.

'It's always fun to get together,' said Kaplan, one of the founders of Bet Chaverim. 'Sometimes you don't see your family over the year. We hold the service while eating dinner. The second day Seder is a potluck. There will be a retelling of the story of how the Jews finally left bondage, left Egypt and learned quite a bit while they were in the desert.'

While the April 24 Seder is open to the public, anyone interested in attending should call Barbara Buchalter at (734) 459-6931 so there's enough food to eat. There is no charge, but donations are requested to cover the cost of the Seder.

Amongst the guests Ray Buchalter is expecting are members of Cherry Hill

United Methodist Church. Bet Chaverim began holding its services at the Canton church about seven years ago. Bet Chaverim was established in 1994 after the founders determined the need for a Jewish community in western Wayne County.

'The principle behind the Seder is to open our doors to those who may not have a Seder to go to,' said Ray Buchalter, president of the congregation and a Canton resident. 'It's a time of gathering. We're inviting people from the church to join us.'

Rabbi Peter Gluck says the practice is indicative of a changing America. He expects the friends of his children Maleah, a 21-year-old Michigan State University student and Adam, 13, to join him and wife Diane for the family Seder in their Ann Arbor home on April 23.

'We open our doors to all who are hungry to come and eat,' said Rabbi Gluck. 'We are commanded to share our food with those less fortunate. In a country where we have so much food, sometimes we've invited non-Jewish friends to come and join in this joyous moment. One of the names for Passover is the 'Time of our Freedom.' This matches up very well with the freedom in America. That's why we feel comfortable sharing it with neighbors and friends.'

Rabbi Gluck will lead the Seder after the remembrance during which the book called the Haggadah is read.

The central story from the book of Exodus is about the liberation from slavery of the ancient Hebrew people, said Gluck. 'The most important thing that it teaches is this: the story of the birth of the Jewish people. We're instructed to teach our children that

even though the event happened many hundreds of years ago, that it's as if they too are going free from Egypt today.'

Since it's Buchalter's responsibility as a parent to make sure his children hear and understand the story, he and wife Barbara attended the Children's Seder with daughter Amanda, 9, on Sunday, April 17, at their synagogue in Canton. 'Much of the Seder is sung, some folk melodies. It's easy and fun for kids to sing,' said Ray Buchalter, whose 19-year-old son, Joe, a student at Schoolcraft College, joins them for the family Seder on April 23.

It was fun, said Amanda. 'The Seder teaches me that we should feel bad and good that we are free and we should feel bad about the slaves.'

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The ritual of eating matzah or unleavened bread reminds the Jews of the story that the slaves left Egypt so quickly they did not have time to let their bread rise in the ovens. Each aspect of the Seder plate is replete with meaning from the Maror or bitter herb that brings tears to the eyes to recall the suffering of the slaves, to the Haroset, a mixture of nuts, apples, brown sugar and wine that symbolizes the mortar used between the bricks the Jews produced while in Egypt.

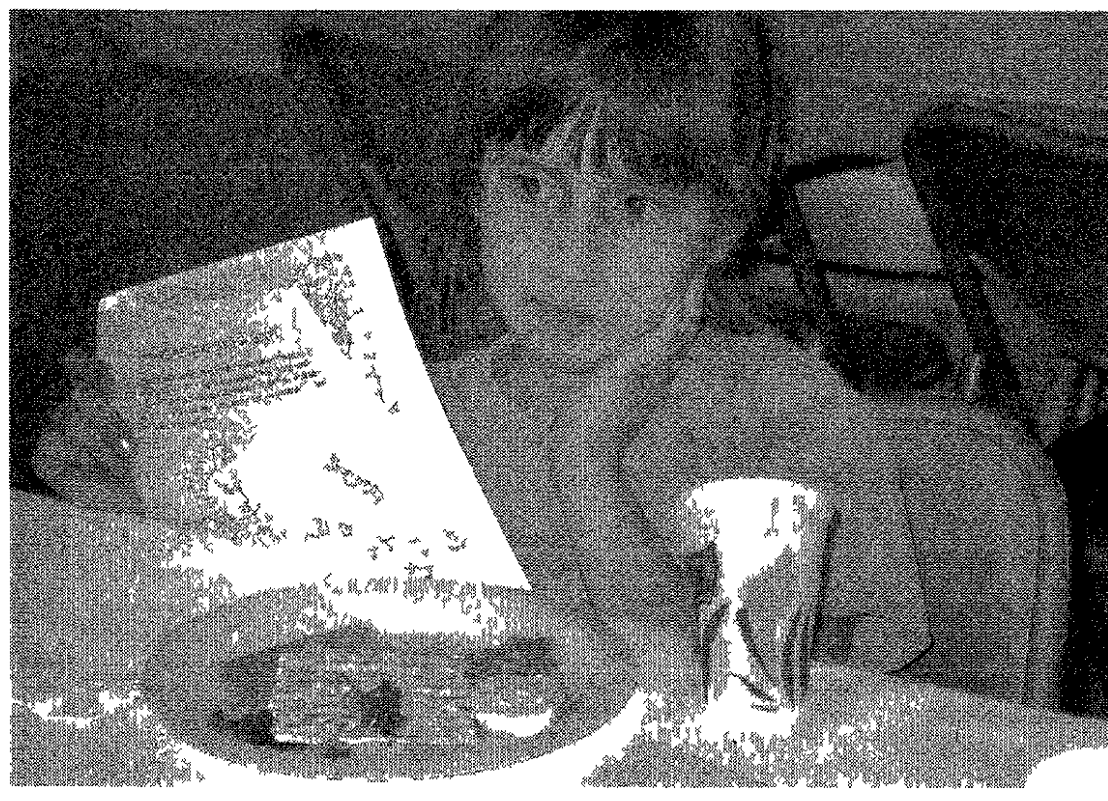
Passover is a celebration of freedom, a connection of past to present,' said Barbara Buchalter, who's bringing the Matzah ball soup and items for the Seder plate including the parsley and celery, a symbol of spring and rebirth.

It's a pretty important part because kids like to sing.'

Amanda, a student at Tonda Elementary in Canton, especially enjoyed the songs.

Featuring Neil Woodward, folksinger/songwriter who plays har monica, fiddle, guitar and mandolin. 7 p.m. Saturday, April 23, doors open at 6 p.m. with open mike performances until 7 p.m. at the Acoustic Coffeehouse in

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RAY BUCHALTER

Amanda Buchalter reads the Haggadah which tells the story of Passover. Before her is a Seder plate that reminds Jews of their liberation from Egyptian slavery.

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APRIL

Faith Community Presbyterian

The Men's Group meet 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 21, features guest speaker from Gleaners Organization. Sunday, April 27, the children will be receiving their First Communion along with the adult members at Faith Community Presbyterian Church, 44400 West 10 Mile, Novi. Call (248) 349-2345. Artist Ed King will be presenting his gift of several original oil paintings at 12:30 on Sunday, April 27th. Ten senior high youth will be attending the Pittsburgh Project April 28-30, 2005, to help rebuild homes in the area. Christa Grix (harpist) and the Jazz Trio will be performing 7 p.m. May 22. Tickets available. All are invited to worship at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Sunday School is offered at both services for children from pre-school through 12th grade.

Spring Retreat

8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church, 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 427-1414 or visit http://holycrosslivonia.org. Cost is \$8 per person. Visitors welcome. Rickey Amstutz will recount her path from Judaism to Christianity. Her story is fascinating and bridges the gap between Jewish traditions and Christian beliefs. This program is open to men, women and children age 12 and over. A continental breakfast and lunch will be served. Phone church for reservations.

Cropping party

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at St. Robert Bellarmine, 27201 West Chicago, Redford. \$35 for all-day croppers, \$15 for learn-how-to-session. Place your reservation by calling (313) 531-9505 or send e-mail to crops4ubylinda@sbcglobal.net.

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Conference

With Daniel Taylor on 'How Tolerant is God?' The Call for tolerance and the Community of Shalom, 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at Trinity Church, 34500 Six Mile between Newburgh and Farmington roads, Livonia. Cost is \$12. Call (734) 425-2800. Taylor preaches on 'The Purpose of All Things: Reflections on Shalom at 10:45 a.m. April 24.'

Healing Power of Joy

A talk by Keith Wommack, 3 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at First Church of Christ Scientist, 33825 Grand River, two blocks west of Farmington Road. Child care provided. All are welcome. For more information call (248) 478-5780.

Mustard Seed Contemporary Services

Continue 6 p.m. Sunday at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt south of Ford Road. The service uses modern video and sound systems incorporating worship videos and contemporary religious music. The Covenant Players from Ohio will be the program on April 24. A young musician from Galway shares his music on May 8. Call (734) 421-7620.

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Youth Bible study

6:7 p.m. Monday, April 25, at Good Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City. Pizza will be served. \$2 per person. Call (734) 427-3660.

Bible translation banquet

Tom and Tina Duncler offer an inspirational glimpse into the world of Bible translation, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at the Holiday Inn, 17123 Laurel Park, Livonia. For reservations and complimentary tickets, call Mary Mercer at (248) 375-5162.

Mom to Mom sale

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 30, infant to pre-teen and maternity clothes, furniture, toys and more at Newburg United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail between Wayne and Newburgh roads, Livonia. \$1 admission. Call (734) 354-5276.

Rummage sale

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, April 30, and 8 a.m. to noon Sunday, May 1, at Our Lady of Loretto Church, Six Mile and Beech Daly. Sunday is Bag Day.

Mom's Morning Out

Do you need some time without the

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The Gap

A new youth Sunday School (God Always Present) studies Easter people, events and people after the Resurrection at Garden City Presbyterian Church, 1841 Middlebelt south of Ford Road. The next subject will be occupations of the Bible. Lessons are taught using various media: computers, story-telling games, cooking, music and art, and a small theater complete with popcorn making machine. Adult Bible study at 8:30 a.m. with a traditional service and The Gap at 10 a.m. Childcare available. Mustard Seed contemporary service at 6 p.m. with refreshments served afterward. Call (734) 421-7620.

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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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VAL W. BARAN

Age 85 of Rochester, MI formerly of LaGrange Park, IL and Lemont, IL. April 12, 2005 at Crittendon Hospital.

Rochester Hills, MI born Valentine Wallace Baranowski in Lemont on Jan. 31, 1920. Employed by Jack Haines Co. retiring as Vice President of Sales and Engineering. Veteran of World War II, serving with the U.S. Army Air Corps. Survived by his wife, Flora, nee Phelps; his children, Dr. Gregory (Tina Calnan) Baran of Groton, MA; Roger Baran of Royal Oak; Mi Valerie (Paul) Kruger of Omaha, NE; Beverly (Tim) Cooney of Fort Mill, SC; and Nancy of Allen of Orange Park, FL; a daughter in law, Phyllis Marcus of Milford, MI; twelve grandchildren: Brittany (Jody) Beaulac, Brad Baran, Michael (Ann) Kaplan, Jennifer Baran, Emily Baran, Michele Kruger, Tia (Danny) Marousek, Lori Kruger, Stephen Cooney, Elizabeth Cooney, Matt (Priscilla) Allen, and Luke Allen, two great grandchildren: Xavier Beaulac and Elijah Kaplan; two sisters: Irene Hiene and Lillian Jans; a sister-in-law, Florence Baranowski; and numerous nieces and nephews and dear friends. Preceded in death by his parents, John and Sophie, nee Sierzchula Baranowski; and a brother, George Baranowski. Visitation, Friday, 4-6 p.m. at the Markiewicz Funeral Home, 108 Illinois St., Lemont, IL. Funeral services, Saturday, April 23, 2005, 10:30 a.m. at SS Cyril & Methodius Church, 608 Sobieski St., Lemont, for Mass at 11 a.m. Interment, parish cemetery, Markiewicz Funeral Home, Lemont. 630-257-6363 or www.markiewiczfh.com

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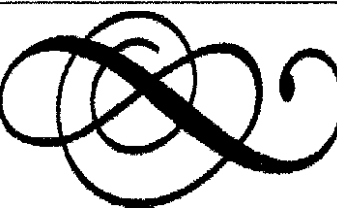
Age 93, died April 18, 2005. Beloved husband of Colette (nee Gerstbauer). Loving father of Thomas (Susan) of Birmingham, Carolyn (Wenner) of Royal Oak, Jerry (Barbara) of Highland, Robert (Cathy) of Sterling, His Christine (Jim) Russo of Ann Arbor, Kenneth (Donna) of Florida, Ronald (Cindy) of Midland, Theodore of AZ, Mary (Kevin) Noel of AZ, & Jean (Brent) Starr of AZ. Dear Brother of Isabelle Seymour of IN, 30 grandchildren & 28 great grandchildren. Retired accountant from Chrysler Corp in 1977. Visitation, Thurs. 2-9 p.m. Scripture service, Thurs. 7 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile (4 Blks. E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. In State, Friday, Noon until time of mass, 12:30 p.m. at St. Dennis Catholic Church, Royal Oak. Burial, White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

NANCY L. KAUTH

Age 68, April 17, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Donald F. Loving mother of Kevin (Valerie), Michael (Finance Cindy), Erin and Christopher (Terri) Kauth. Dear grandmother of Mark, Brandon and Mackenzie. Funeral from Our Shepherd Lutheran church, 2225 E. 14 Mile Rd., Birmingham, Thursday, 11 a.m. Friends were able to visit the church at 10 a.m. Visitation at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 1368 N. Crooks Road (between 14 1/2 Mile Rds.) was held Tuesday, 7-9 p.m. and Wednesday, 6-9 p.m. Graveside service to be held at Lake Forest Cemetery, Grand Haven, MI, Friday, 11 a.m. Memorials to Our Shepherd Lutheran Church or Birmingham Public Schools Environmental Center are appreciated.

DANIEL W. MEYKA

Suddenly, April 19, 2005. Age 56 of Canton. Loving husband of Donna. Beloved father of Danielle and Kristy (Paul Owers). Dear son-in-law of Lorene Sumner. Brother of Brianna Toller. Funeral service, Friday, 11 a.m. at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 W. Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth (btwn Sheldon & Beck). Visitation, Thursday, 2-9 p.m. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association. To leave a message of condolence, log on vermeulenfuneralhome.com



JULIE OTTER PEARCE

Of Palm Beach Gardens, FL, died Thursday, April 14, 2005. Born on August 2, 1932, in Bloomfield Hills, MI. She lived in New York and Chestertown, Maryland, before moving to Palm Beach Gardens. Besides her husband, Louis Elston Pearce, she is survived by her sister, Phoebe Otter Matthews, and her nephew and niece, Michael and Holly Pearce, and her great nephew, Thomas D. Pearce, and great niece, Heidi Louise Pearce. Memorial services were held Tuesday, April 19, 2005, at Bethesda by the Sea Episcopal Church, Palm Beach. In lieu of flowers, donations to any animal welfare organization would be appreciated. Further information: Wm. R. Hamilton Co., 1-248-644-6000.

ANN L. MUCKEY

Age 77, April 16, 2005. Beloved wife of the late Floyd. Loving mother of Beth Dextrom, Dear grandmother of Lindsey Kurt, Stacie & Becky. Sister-in-law of Bethany Serwert and Skip Knerr of Milwaukee. W1 A memorial service will be held at a later date. Ann and Floyd together again, at last. Cremation Society of Michigan (313) 839-4100 in charge of arrangements. Please sign the online guest book at www.cremationmichigan.com

PHYLLIS ANN "PAT" WHITTON

April 16, 2005, age 81 of Canton, formerly of Livonia. Beloved wife of George. Dear mother of Donna Miller, George (Stephanie) James (Donna) and Denise (Dave) Culp. Grandmother of 12, great grandmother of 9. Also survived by sisters-in-law, Mabel (Joe) Schaffer, Hazel Bertram, Myrtle Sebastian and Evelyn Waltz. Dear friend and political cohort of Carolyn Forrest. Services were held Tuesday at the Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood, Westland. Please visit and post a tribute at www.uhtfuneralhome.com

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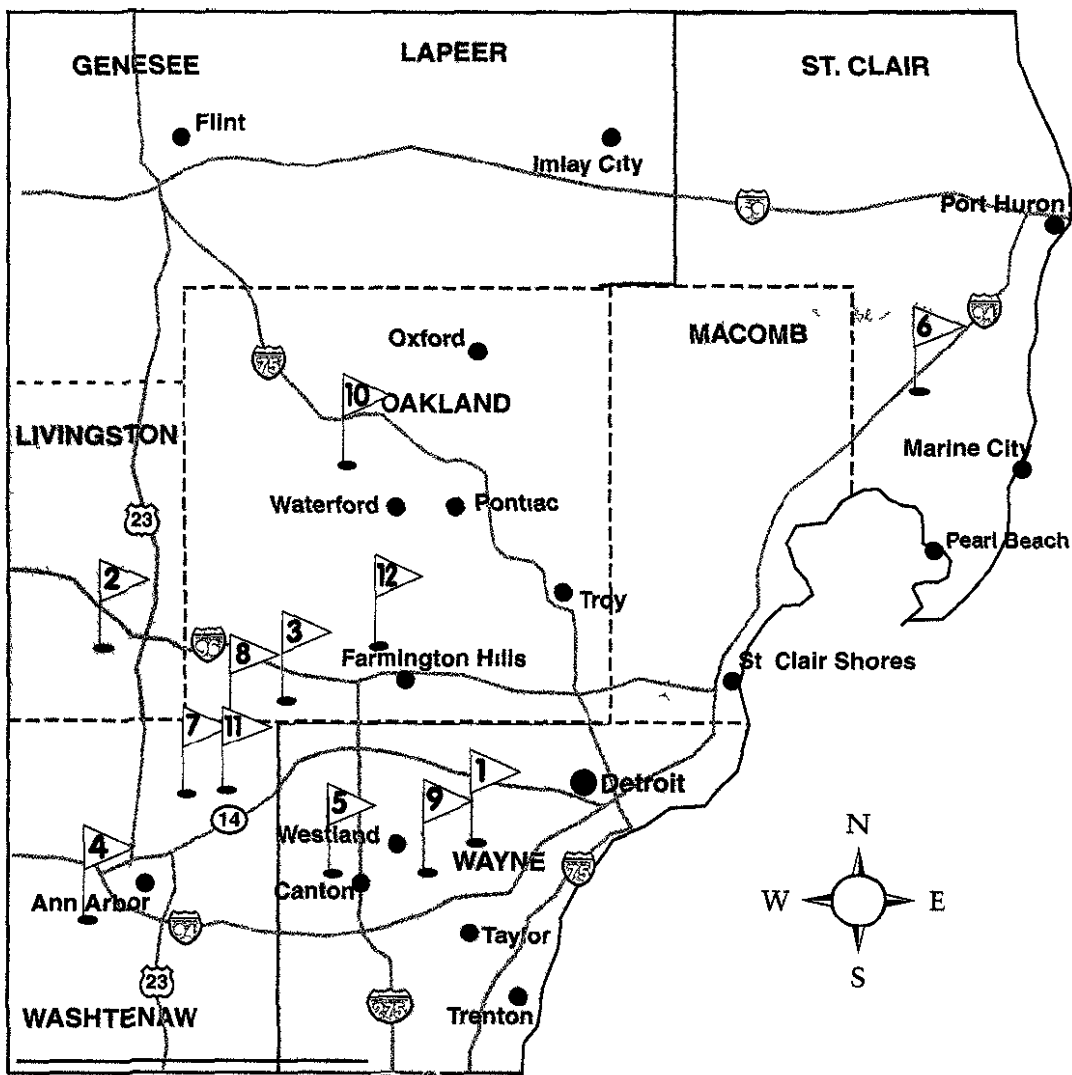
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Real Estate Inquires

Robert M Meisner

Pool rules may violate federal act

Our condo has a rule banning children under the age of 18 from using its main swimming pool with certain exceptions during the summer months. The association's rationale is that adult residents like using the pool for lap walking and water walking and prefer tranquility to the presence of active and noisy children. Do you think there is a violation of the Fair Housing Act?

Based on a recent case out of California, on similar facts, the courts ruled that the association's rule violated federal fair housing laws because it limited the use of the pool by families with children. The court indicated in that case that the association's rule was no better than a rule banning women or people from Iraq from using the pool. Finally, the court said that the association could still implement other reasonable, age-neutral rules, such as banning all members from screaming, running, or roughhousing at the pool. You are best advised to consult with a knowledgeable community association attorney to review all of your rules.

Our association is contemplating changing their documents to limit the association's insurance liabilities to the co-owners. Is there anything that you can recommend to look out for?

While it is understandable that the association may wish to limit its insurance exposure and liability because of an increase in premiums and potential claims, the association should be clear in letting its members know that they will have to increase their own insurance coverage on their units to the extent that the association abdicates responsibility for maintenance and repair of any common elements that may be within the condominium unit. The co-owner should not be left hanging without any insurance coverage because of the change in the documents which may well be in the best interest of the association but which may leave the co-owners without any reasonable coverage if they are not diligent. 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 bm@meisnerassociates.com

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Buying a fixer-upper has its rewards, pitfalls

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CORRESPONDENT

WORDS TO THE WISE

Before you take on a fixer-upper, you also need to decide if you can do some of the work yourself or if you will need to hire contractors.

Buying a fixer-upper and turning it into a dream home is the fantasy of many potential homebuyers.

In reality, there's a lot more to achieving the dream than you usually see on popular television home improvement shows. Many rundown homes have been on the market for a long time and they are priced for a quick sale "as is."

Whether you should pounce on the deal or pass depends mostly on whether the house is structurally sound and if it needs major repairs. If it only needs cosmetic work like paint, new carpeting and landscaping, you might be getting a really good deal.

Buying a home in need of repair can be a smart investment if you choose a neighborhood where home values are increasing. Many smart business people have made a career of buying homes no one else wants, making improvements and reselling the property for a handsome profit.

It is extremely important to have the home inspected by a professional to determine if only cosmetic changes are necessary, or if there are structural problems such as broken plumbing, a faulty electrical system or an unstable foundation.

When you have the home inspected, plan to be there and walk through the home

so you learn firsthand what needs to be done. Make a list of repairs that need to be made immediately and get cost estimates.

Then make a list of improvements that can be made over time. If you buy a home for \$200,000 and spend \$125,000 in cosmetic and structural improvements, is it feasible that you could sell the property for \$325,000 or \$400,000?

The sticky part comes when you are trying to get a loan. The lender may be hesitant to grant a loan on a house in serious disrepair.

To gain approval for a loan you need an appraiser who will appraise the property "as is." If there are defects that could affect the marketability of the house, you may have to make some repairs and have the home reappraised before you will be granted the loan you need.

You should inform the lender of the repairs needed and tell him or her if you plan to hire contractors to do the work or do it yourself.

installing new floors, painting interior walls and trim or replacing outdated kitchen cabinets and light fixtures.

Sometimes it makes sense to turn a repair into a remodeling feature that will enhance the value of the home. For example, if a wall with a small window needs replacing, it may be worth spending extra money to add a picture window.

Depending on its condition, a fixer-upper could sell for 20 percent below its market price. But it could also require an investment of \$10,000-\$20,000 to repair and remodel it. Painting a house inside and out is one of the least expensive and most profitable investments you can make.

Other improvements that can make a significant difference in resale value include new carpeting, landscaping, and new kitchen flooring, cabinetry and appliances.

One advantage to buying fixer-uppers is that many of them stay on the market for a long period of time and it is often easier to negotiate a lower price because there are fewer people bidding for the property. Look for homes that are vacant and that have been on the market for three months or longer.

And take the time to get pre-approved for a loan so you will have an edge over other bidders.

Mortgage Bits

Timothy Phillips



Timely actions avert disaster

The familiar term "behind the power curve" refers to a hazardous aviation situation in which pilots may rapidly approach a stall. Once there, the doomed airplane continues to slow down even after adding full power.

To preclude disaster, a skilled pilot recognizes the situation before it becomes dangerous and avoids it. Unwary pilots who find themselves in this flight domain have no choice but to descend to save themselves. With luck, they have altitude to do so.

Borrowers continuously seek to better their mortgage interest rates to reduce their overall debt burden. A very large number refinance their homes to restructure debt by paying off high-interest debts with a lower-interest tax-deductible mortgage. (I provide my debt-laden mortgage clients a before/after cash flow analysis to help them determine if this is the course they should take.)

Lately, I've handled a rash of calls from consumers who have waited too long to restructure their debt load. They let their debts get out of control before they acted, and were not able to land the most favorable interest rates and terms. They got behind the power curve.

Allowing consumer debt to pile up results in reduced credit scores. Lower scores make it tougher to refinance to a lower payment. Operating with higher payments makes it tougher to reduce credit account balances.

It becomes a vicious, downward spiral. Debt's slippery slope gets slicker the longer you wait.

The best way to handle consumer debt is to avoid it. As a rule, if you use your credit accounts out of necessity instead of for your convenience, you would be well served to start cutting spending right away.

If you have already cut back the best you can and feel like you are on the brink of getting behind on any of your monthly payments, especially your mortgage, then you should consider consolidating debt immediately.

Today's TIMBIT. Like flying, try to stay ahead of the power curve by restructuring your debts before they get out of control, and before your credit scores drop. Waiting too long could really place you in jeopardy.

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7765 Alton \$186 000	8474 Forrest \$191 000	6094 Wedgewood \$205 000	15556 Golfview \$214 000	14875 Dogwood \$288 000	19770 Polincana \$106 000
8316 A ton \$183 000	43107 Hanford \$217 000	43543 Yorkville \$153 000	36681 Grove \$225 000	9116 Elmhurst \$134 000	16231 Ryland \$195 000
44024 Ardmore \$209 000	46655 Hanford \$292 000		14740 Heyer \$197 000	670 Forest \$375 000	11327 Woodbine \$17 000
41446 Ayrshire \$210 000	45644 Holmes \$252 000	6543 Arcola \$146 000	14543 Huff \$210 000	383 N Harvey \$283 000	
46900 Bartlett \$295 000	39730 John \$165 000	28852 Birchawn \$135 000	32849 Ill no s \$172 000	9314 N Sheldon \$205 000	Westland
1644 Benn ngton \$160 000	1248 Lasalle \$155 000	28431 Block \$122 000	32900 Indiana \$157 000	40426 Newport \$133 000	2061 Ackley \$74 000
2235 Berwick \$190 000	1444 Lasalle \$228 000	32530 Bock \$98 000	9977 Inkster \$125 000	13970 Oakland \$385 000	2065 Ackley \$74 000
6330 Brewster \$390 000	1739 Lasalle \$175 000	823 Gilman \$125 000	31845 Maine \$201 000	9250 Red Maple \$370 000	33632 Beechwood \$113 000
48901 Castleside \$599 000	1837 Lasalle \$180 000	2033 Gilman \$143 000	28500 N Clements \$170 000	9129 Woodberry \$314 000	35845 Booth \$119 000
48951 Castleside \$485 000	42739 Willey Pointe \$129 000	32444 Henne p n \$210 000	37668 N Laurel Park \$225 000		37411 Colonial \$150 000
44638 Fair Oaks \$290 000	44963 N Spring \$232 000	1634 Henry Ruff \$127 000	37856 N Laurel Park \$232 000	9598 Beech Daly \$170 000	33410 Fran \$178 000
	8452 New Haven \$431 000	32109 Sher dan \$140 000	14221 Newburgh \$275 000	11360 Brady \$150 000	32340 Grandview \$157 000
	8223 Orhan \$202 000		34177 Northland \$289 000	20010 Garfield \$152 000	33124 Hivesley \$142 000
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	228 P necroft \$362 000	38212 Ann Arbor \$95 000	16576 Savoir \$190 000	11312 Inkster \$17 000	30058 Malvern \$170 000
	7471 Po nite \$190 000	12132 Cardwell \$98 000	9821 Seltzer \$137 000	25721 Jennifer \$176 000	539 N Bryar \$202 000
	682 Princess \$249 000	19985 Chase \$292 000	27450 Sunnydale \$248 000	26770 Joy \$57 000	38200 N Miller \$178 000
	2839 R ver Meadow \$228 000	15075 Eilen \$210 000	28568 Sunnydale \$197 000	9440 Louis \$180 000	6120 N Walton \$153 000
	1380 Trin ty \$148 000	16808 Farmington \$184 000		19750 Macarthur \$132 000	196 Stephanie \$235 000
	1448 Trin ty \$166 000	16968 Farmington \$202 000	333 Arthur \$415 000	20061 Negaunee \$96 000	1741 St eber \$135 000
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REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

MAI membership designation

Jeffrey C Jozwick MAI an appraiser at Real Estate Consulting Services has been awarded the Appraisal Institute's prestigious MAI membership designation during a March 25 meeting of the Great Lakes Chapter of the Appraisal Institute. The designation is held by appraisers who are experienced in the valuation and evaluation of commercial industrial residential and other types of properties and who advise clients on real estate investment decisions. The MAI designation is earned upon the successful completion of a graduate level curriculum which includes a comprehensive exam a written demonstration appraisal report and attaining 3 000 hours of qualifying experience beyond state certification requirements. Also designees must abide by both the appraisal profession's Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) and the Appraisal Institute's Standards of Professional Practice and Code of Ethics.

Realtors award seniors scholarships

Jennifer David and Alena Campbell of Canton High School and Brian Rumao of Salem High School will be going to college after their high school graduation this spring. Thanks to local Realtors Lee and Noel Bittinger these high school seniors will each receive a \$1 000 scholarship to help finance their first semester.

Students were asked to prepare a short essay on how someone in your life has influenced you in a positive way and changed your life. An overwhelming number of essays were received. Surprisingly the decision making process was an emotional roller coaster for the Bittinger Team as they read and reviewed the essays. The responses included influence coming from parents teachers friends and employers. The winning selections were based on several factors such as grammar authenticity honesty integrity and initiative. Lee Bittinger knows the value of setting goals and staying on track to achieve them. Struggling financially to put himself through college paid off with a degree in mechanical engineering. Noel Bittinger is one of seven children. It wasn't an easy feat for her parents to put all seven of them through college. Noel's college experience also led to an engineering degree. Lee is now a broker/owner of RE/MAX Classic and Noel is a very successful Realtor with her own team of agents and assistants. They have set aside their careers as engineers but they know the value of higher education and that it played a major role in their success.

New Broker joins real estate firm

Christian Hill has joined Friedman Real Estate Group an Associate in their Industrial Division. Hill comes to

Friedman from Insite Commercial Group where he held the position of Sales Associate. He received his Bachelor's Degree in Anthropology from the University of Pittsburgh. He will focus his efforts in the Downriver/Airport area and Western Wayne County where he will specialize in both tenant and landlord representation.

Goewey named vice president

Mike Goewey owner of Property Facts Home Inspectors in Plymouth has been named vice president of the newly formed Michigan Association of Home Inspectors (Mich AHI). Patrick Lyons of The Buyers' Inspector LLC in Manchester was named president. Matthew Bezanson of Sherlock Homes Inspection Ltd in Madison Heights will be treasurer and Sally Freudenburg of Sherlock of Homes in St Joseph will be secretary. Goewey is a certified real estate inspector licensed builder and licensed termite inspector with extensive training in property maintenance. He has been a member of the board of directors for the National Association of Home Inspectors (NAHI) since 2003. Property Facts Home Inspection LLC established in 1993 is a professional home inspection service.

Relocation of Clarkston Market Center

Keller Williams Realty has announced the expansion and relocation of

Clarkston Market Center. The Market Center will move to a new office at 6510 Town Center Drive Suite D near the intersection of Waldon and Sashabaw Roads just south of I 75/Sashabaw Intersection.

Matt Ochs operating principal Tim Winter owner/broker Bill Ballard commercial department and team leader Paul Tompor will continue with this Keller Williams Realty office.

New mortgage lending firm

Former First American Title executives - Richard Parsons Michael Strat John Apostol Robert Considine and Janice Chaney - have announced the formation of Proliant Mortgage a new mortgage lending firm based in downtown Birmingham. Mich Strat and Parsons founded North American Title in 1987 and later merged with First American Title in 2000. They and the firm's other principals left North American Title in late 2003 and 2004 having been responsible for overhauling First American's systems processes and customer service and increasing the company's volume from 2 000 orders per month to more than 10 000 orders per month. In addition they helped turn First American Title's \$2 million annual losses into \$8.4 million annual profit and increased company efficiency from 24 orders per person per month to 66 orders per person per month.

Don't get bugged by mosquitoes

(NUI) - Warm, wet weather has led to the early arrival of the West Nile virus this year. Since the West Nile virus was first identified in the U S in 1999, mosquitoes have become more than just a nuisance. They have contributed to more than 16,000 West Nile virus cases and 600 deaths in this country alone.

Homeowners can help reduce mosquito populations in their areas with the following steps:

■ Clear standing water from your landscape. With a wetter-than-normal spring, many homeowners now have standing water in their yards. Because mosquitoes lay their eggs in stagnant water, the best way to decrease the mosquito population around the home is to eliminate this habitat. To do so, cover, empty or remove containers that hold water, clean out gutters and drainage ditches, and replace water in flower pots and birdbaths every three to four days.

■ Create movement in stagnant water. Water can't always be eliminated when you have pools and ponds on your landscape. Another option for stagnant water sources is to add a water pump, fountain or waterfall. Also, swimming pools and hot tubs make great mosquito habitats.

Homeowners should ensure that these bodies of water are chlorinated according to the manufacturer's directions and covered when not in use.

■ Consult your local public health department or pest control professional. Health departments and pest control professionals can help you locate potential mosquito habitats and treat them with larvicides. These products kill mosquito larvae before they can become biting adult mosquitoes. You should also check with your public health department to ensure larvicide is being used.

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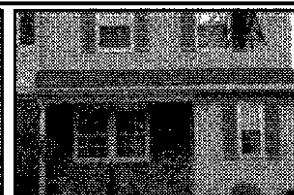
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SUBURBAN BLISS - Everything you could hope for is in this Pulte colonial. Elegant formal areas family room w/volume ceiling & fireplace. Cherry kitchen w/hardwood floor custom paver patio and a fantastic location. \$339 900 (P 945CR)



SPACIOUS TOWNHOUSE - Appealing exterior in style & color 3 beds 1.5 baths living and family rooms updated kitchen full basement fireplace vinyl windows all appliances brick patio tennis and a pool. Wow! \$159 500 (P-824CR)



APPEALING AND UNIQUE - Brook Tudor with 5 bedrooms and 3 baths. A huge floor plan with many quality updates including a luxury master bath w/granite & marble 3 car garage and much more. \$259 900 (C 706EL)



VIEW OF THE LAKE - From this one of a kind home with loads of quality updates 3 bedrooms 2 baths and a large lot. Lower level master renovated kitchen and bath. Finished basement. \$279 900 (C 763HU)



WESTLAND DUPLEX - Well maintained by the original owner. Each unit is 910 sq ft with 2 bedrooms an updated roof windows siding furnaces baths and all flooring. Separate utilities \$185 000 (C 712JC)



DOLL HOUSE - Charming 3 bedroom ranch built in 1999. Great kitchen with appliances. All the appeal is on the inside. Come see for yourself! Close to freeways. Home warranty provided \$116 900 (P 021KE)



QUIET LIVONIA LOCATION - Spotless 3 bdrm 2.5 ba Colonial built in 89 with almost 2000 sq ft! Open floor plan formal living & dining rm fireplace oak kitchen w/appliances new tear off roof new vinyl windows & siding garage & more. \$274 900 (P 869KN)



BRADBURY CONDO! Neutral and bright with numerous updates. Great location carport 2 bedrooms 1 bath a pool and clubhouse with many activities for your enjoyment. 55 and over community. Prime area in the complex. \$145 900 (P-626NE)



UNMISTAKEABLE APPEAL - Charming Cape Cod with an open great room concept featuring recessed lights gas fireplace island kit w/appliances and a sunny nook gorgeous landscaping w/mature pines & paver patio. \$439 900 (C 146CV)



STRIKING END UNIT - In a popular Plymouth Twp Complex. Walk out family room with fireplace huge patio and courtyard an impressive master attached garage common pool and tennis court. No disappointments! \$197 900 (C-840PC)



THIS IS A GEM! Western Livonia ranch with 3 bedrooms is gorgeous inside and out! Open floor plan numerous updates 2.5 baths 2 car garage beautiful landscaping overlooking a huge backyard with a deck. Come see for yourself! \$288 900 (P-453RA)



HERE'S YOUR CHANCE! To own this gorgeous ranch with beautiful hardwood floors updated baths kitchen carpet plumbing electrical - the list goes on and on! Built in pool for summer enjoyment too. \$284 900 (C-618SU)



SCENIC VIEWS - 2 bedroom - 2 bath end unit backing to the woods with neutral décor vaulted ceilings newer roof. Wallside windows, a carport and walking distance to downtown Northville. \$144 900 (P 732TA)



2001 BUILT RANCH - Fabulous home featuring an open floor plan oak accent moldings 3 car garage oak kitchen nice master with private bath a fenced yard and nice details throughout. Better hurry - this one won't last! \$167 000 (P 983WH)



SHARP AND CLEAN - Canton condo in a quiet complex with 2 bedrooms and 1.5 baths. Oak kitchen with ceramic tile fresh paint pergio floors basement deck the backs to a commons & an attached garage. \$172 000 (C-612YC)



WALK TO TOWN - From this great condo in town on a quiet cul-de-sac. Hardwood floors in the kitchen ceramic tile in the bath newer furnace and air 1 car garage. Great opportunity for first time buyer. \$104 900 (P 500FO)



UNLIMITED POTENTIAL - Zoned residential or small business. All of the major components of the home updated: re roof windows furnace air remodeled kitchen & baths. Basement and garage. Walking distance to downtown Plymouth. \$199 900 (P-469MI)



BEST BUY IN TOWN! Reasonably priced and only one owner! Large floor plan with 3 bedrooms basement garage and a double lot. Needs a little updating to make it yours. Stop renting and start building equity today. \$73 500 (P 189WE)



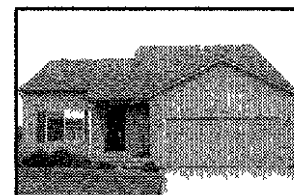
DEARBORN HEIGHTS CONDO - Awesome 3 bedroom end unit with many updates including all hardwood floors ceramic tile windows glass block in the basement crown moldings and more. Move in condition. Dearborn Schools. \$104 900 (P-009TO)



THE PERFECT START - It's all here! 3 bedrooms 1.5 baths basement roomy kitchen, and a huge 30x10 master. All of the important updates have been completed. Pleasant rear yard. \$127 900 (C-562IN)



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AFFORDABLE QUALITY - Cape Cod built in 03 w/many extras. 1st fl master w/luxury bath custom kitchen w/maple & stone dramatic entry formal dining w/tray ceiling great room w/fireplace & 2-story windows a bonus room & daylight basement. \$375 000 (P 868BU)



EASY CONDO LIVING - 2 bedroom ranch style condo with a full basement for extra storage neutral décor and a large private deck overlooking a commons area. Great location close to everything and a great price. \$115 900 (P 738EL)



CHARM GALORE - Popular sub in Dearborn offers this 3 bedroom colonial with wet plaster walls coved ceilings hardwood floors 3-season room finished basement and a fenced yard with a tiered deck plus a 2 car garage! \$199 900 (P 811EL)



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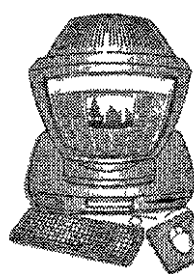
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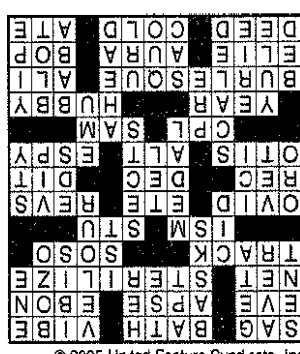
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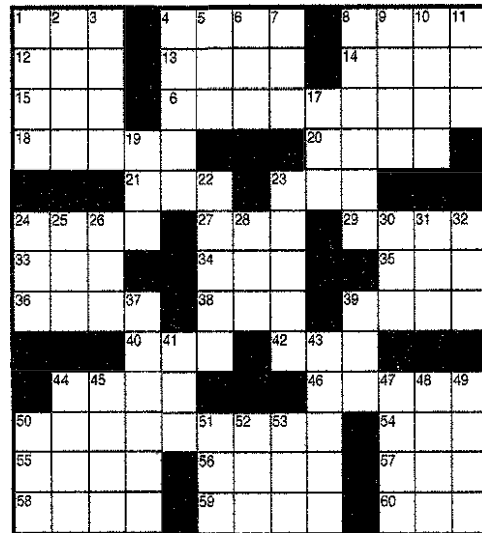
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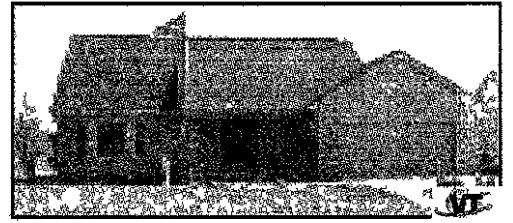
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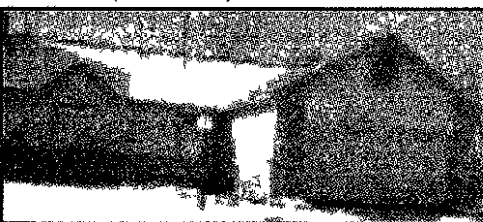
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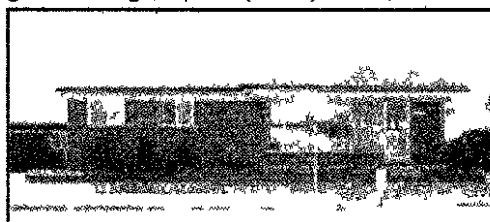
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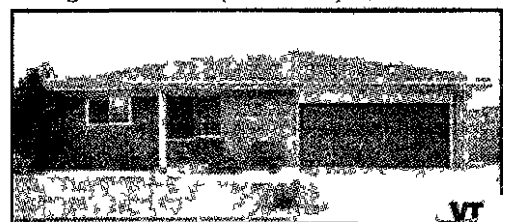
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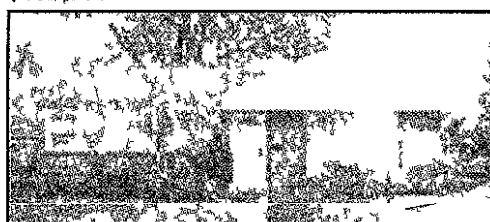
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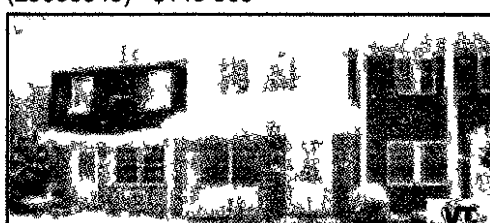
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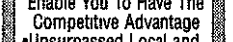
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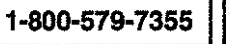
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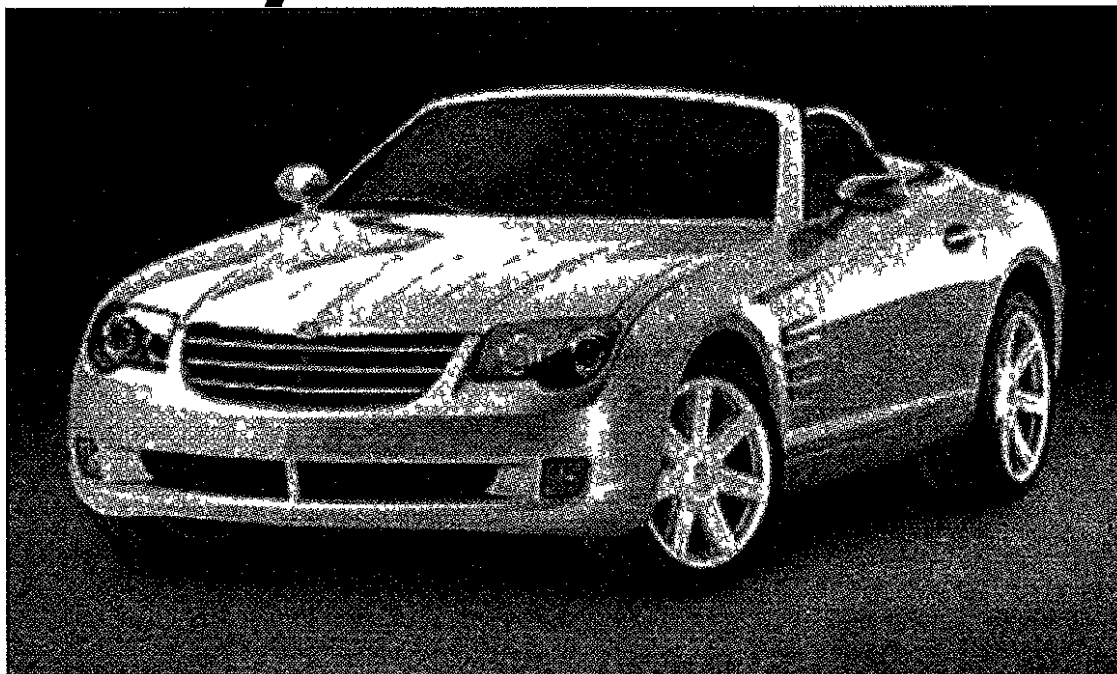
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When you get right down to it, what are the two most important things about a car? I'm talking about factors beyond the obvious that it gets us where we want to go and doesn't break down. Nearly every car, van, truck and SUV does that. Functionality is very important, of course, depending on what you're buying the vehicle for. And you could probably also argue, especially these days, that fuel economy should be right up there as a purchase criterion. But to you as a buyer, what things really differentiate a vehicle in your mind? What compels you to select one over another when they seem to match up on your checklist? I think it's how a car looks and how a car drives. Both of these arenas comprise emotional responses that ultimately decide how we feel about a vehicle, whether we're buying, leasing or just owning it.

And by those standards, I'd submit, the Chrysler Crossfire convertible is a nearly perfect automobile. You can't help but love its severely rounded design and its aggressive visual posture. And after spending a week driving a 2005 Crossfire Roadster in a variety of situations, I was really loathe to let this one go back to the media pool - I enjoyed driving it that much.

Yes, by the other practical measures of what's important in a vehicle, Crossfire may not measure up. At around \$35,000 retail for the version I drove, this two-seater can't be considered anything other than a toy, such are the limitations of its practicality. And at 17 miles a gallon in city driving and 25 on the highway, you can certainly find many other small vehicles that post better fuel economy.

But what car-driving experience could compare with tooling down I-75 on a late-weekday-evening drive back home from Metro Airport, with WNIC-FM blasting out oldies from Crossfire's primo sound sys-



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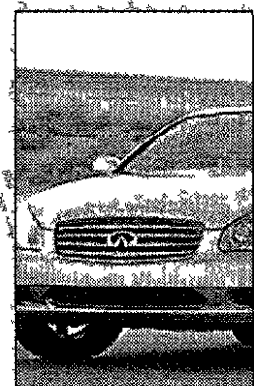
tem, the cool wind practically tearing at the few remaining hairs on my head? And Crossfire blowing the doors off dawdlers (all traveling, ahem, well below the speed limit, mind you) and swallowing up the annoying surface irregularities of I-94 construction like some minor pebbles in the road. Like so much of what it is doing these days, Chrysler really got the design right with this vehicle. Other roadsters, notably the highly rounded Audi TT, have eye-catching designs as well. But there's something powerful about the coiled look of the Crossfire that signals firepower. Perhaps it's the way the roof swoops back and curls under the tail, a design cue that is reminiscent of one of those old pearl-handled revolvers that they used to use in duels. I also love the wide stance, which shouts stability and again separates it from competing coupes.

So much of the credit for the driveability of Crossfire goes to its German-engineered components, many of which it shares with the Mercedes-Benz SLK, including the V6 engine, multilink suspension, and steering. Crossfire's performance is magical, starting with its 215-horsepower engine that accelerates from 0 to 60 mph in 6.5 seconds. Its torque makes Crossfire fun off the line, and I'd argue that it has a

greater ability to throw you back in your seat than most of its competition, despite its relative lack of horsepower per se. Handling-wise, too, the Germans got it just right. Crossfire is very agile and quick in and out of corners. Downshifting into, and then accelerating hard out of, corners are where you want power and handling, and that's where the wide-bodied Crossfire and its six-speed transmission demonstrate their mettle. I found the transmission initially a little bit balkier than in some other coupes in the lower gears, but nothing that I couldn't learn my way out of. Amenities include a boffo sound system and interior lighting (over the dashboard) that was extremely bright and thorough, which I appreciated when I needed it. But I couldn't find a cup holder, and I just don't like how Chrysler is designing many of its vehicles these days with the cruise control lever attached to and above left the steering-wheel column -- right in the way of the driver when he wants to use the turn signal just below. Again, you can learn your way around this, but you shouldn't have to. All in all, however, if you want something that's great to look at and fun to drive, 2005 Crossfire Roadster is your car.

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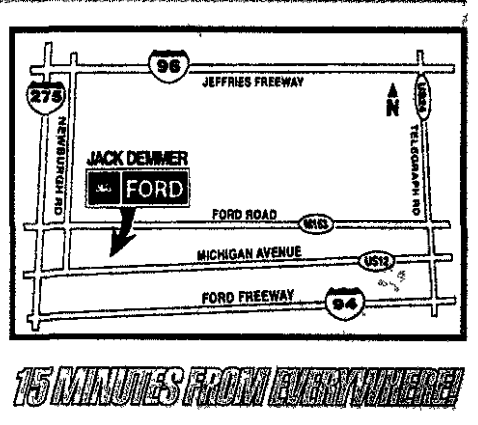
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BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

The Emergenza Festival is a nationwide contest where bands compete at local nightclubs.

They are elevated to higher contest levels if the audience votes for them after each performance. As they climb the ladder, the final festival could land them bigger gigs sponsored by the Emergenza musical instrument company.

The semifinals of the festival are Friday and Saturday, April 29-30, at the Magic Stick in Detroit. Many musicians respect this festival and Animal Chinz, a progressive rock band, is one of them.

"Each round will get better because the audience will vote," Zach Kadro, Animal Chinz founder, said. "There's a lot of talent at the festival."

Animal Chinz are members of the defunct popular Detroit band Gryphon Shepherd, and also an '80s cover band. The band is hosting its first CD



Animal Chinz, a progressive rock band, will perform at the semifinals of the Emergenza Festival April 29-30.

release party on April 29 at the Majestic in conjunction with Emergenza.

Animal Chinz formed in late November immediately after the breakup of Gryphon Shepherd.

Kadro and drummer/friend Matt Voss quickly began making music together.

Also in the band is Bob DeGeorge, bass player, who solidifies a tight, groovy rhythm

ANIMAL CHINZ

When: 8 p.m. Friday, April 29

Where: The Emergenza Semifinals Festival at The Magic Stick, 4120 Woodward Detroit (313) 833-7665

Admission: All ages show. Tickets \$12 in advance, \$18 at the door. For tickets, call Ticketmaster, (248) 654-6666.

section. DeGeorge and Kadro played together in the defunct reggae band Skunky Monkey (DeGeorge) brings a meditative sound to the music," Kadro said.

Gil Armon, who recently came to the United States from Israel, plays guitar.

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Hot Ticket

Maximum

The vibe continues at **jazz**
the Max

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

With big name jazz artists like Kenny Garrett and Regina Carter coming out of Detroit, it's clear the genre has roots and tradition in Detroit

But the Max M. Fisher Music Center — a \$60 million expansion of Orchestra Hall completed in 2003 — has brought a full-blown jazz program to the city. In 2003, the Barbara A. and Fred Erb creative jazz

JAZZ AT MAX

What: DSO Jazz Club Series presents two concerts by the Professors of Jazz at Michigan State University Standard Federal Paradise Jazz Series double-bill concert with headliner Pat Martino

When: Jazz Club, 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Thursday, April 28. Paradise Jazz, 8 p.m. Friday, May 13

Where: Max M. Fisher Music Center, 3711 Woodward, Detroit. Jazz Club in the Music Box, Paradise Jazz in Orchestra Hall

Tickets: Jazz Club, \$20, Paradise Jazz, \$18-85, call (313) 576-5111, for information, visit www.detroitssymphony.com

The creative director chairs the Paradise Jazz Series, which closes this season with a double-bill concert May 13 in Orchestra Hall

Opening the concert is a sextet of members of the Jazz at Lincoln Center program. The group is set to perform a tribute to tenor saxophonist Dexter Gordon. The headliner is Pat Martino, a guitarist who had to re-learn his instrument after suffering a brain aneurysm.

director position was created. Two seasons later, renowned jazz pianist Herbie Hancock agreed to take the job.

"We wanted somebody from the jazz world who is what Neeme Jarvi is in the classical world," said Kendra Whitlock, director of pops and specials, Detroit Symphony Orchestra. "This position has allowed us to create relationships with people in the jazz world."

In other words, there's a kind of one-begets-the-other synergy at work. The Max is growing jazz in Detroit and the jazz world is paying more attention to the Motor City's jazz scene.

Next year, another jazz great, Chick Corea, assumes the role as creative director.

"Having people like Herbie or Chick, well, both are legends in the field," said Whitlock. "Getting Herbie was a major coup."



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Wayne Escoffery is one of three tenor saxophone players performing in a tribute concert to tenor saxophonist Dexter Gordon.

"He came back in the late 80s. He basically had musical amnesia," said Whitlock.

Then he had this crazy comeback in early 2001, and really again is the man on guitar."

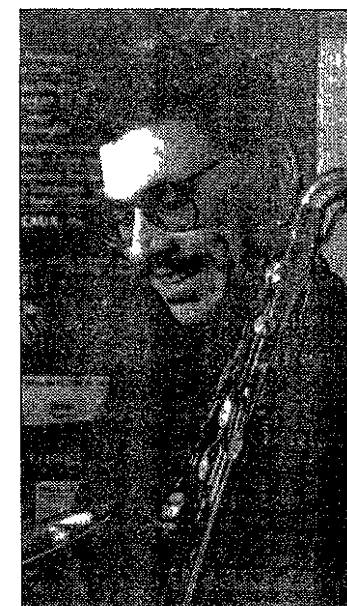
Also continuing is the DSO Jazz Club Series with two concerts featuring the Professors of Jazz at Michigan State University, slated Thursday, April 28 in the Max Center's more intimate venue, the Music Box.

All of the jazz concerts at the Max are well attended, said Whitlock, estimating ticket sales at 70 to 90 percent.

"There's such a huge jazz community here that it doesn't particularly surprise me," she said.

"The jazz interest here is actually quite strong."

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Tenor saxophone player Jerry Weidon will appear in the LCJO sextet with George Cables, music director and pianist, bassist Rufus Reid, drummer Leroy Williams, Jimmy Green and Wayne Escoffery, also tenor sax players.

On stage

Audacious ideas

Shaw play is full of them

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Nobel Prize winning playwright George Bernard Shaw's works are known for their social and moral commentary

But Shaw's wit spills out of his vivacious characters in *Misalliance*, a drawing room comedy that runs in rotating repertory through May 14 at the Hilberry Theatre at Wayne State University in Detroit

"The characters are bright and alive and full of ideas — audacious ideas," said the production's director Anthony Schmitt, formerly associate director of the university's theater department and head of the Masters in Fine Arts acting program

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Aaron T Moore as John Tarleton (left), Chris Rody as "Gunner" and Tony Bozzuto as Bentley Summerhays in *Misalliance*, which closes the Hilberry Theatre season

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Art

Local WWII veteran's sketches go on view in Ann Arbor

BY NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

Jack Keenan, a retired advertising creative director who lives in Bloomfield Hills, never imagined the sketches he did while serving in the U.S. military would go on exhibit. "Never in a million years," said Keenan, a World War II veteran who was studying art before the military drafted him. They've been down in a paper bag in the basement for years," he said of the more than 150 drawings on various sizes of paper.

About 60 of them are currently on display in *One Man's War: The World War II Sketches of Jack Keenan* at the William L. Clements Library at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. The exhibit continues through May 6, and a reception with Keenan is slated Wednesday, April 27.

"You have a lot of spare time," Keenan, now 86, recalled of his military stint. "I loved to draw, so I

would sit down and do it. I concentrated on what the average GI did."

And it's Keenan's depiction of the soldier's day-to-day existence during WWII that makes the sketches so interesting, said Clayton Lewis, curator of graphics at the William L. Clements Library, which holds a sizable collection of American history and war-related documents, prints, photographs and other materials.

"It's the complete story of his military career," Lewis said. Indeed, the sketches trace his four years of service from basic training to the Battle of the Bulge to his release. Keenan also depicted the concentration camp his division liberated.

The drawings, in watercolor, pencil and pen and ink, are arranged chronologically with text panels based on Keenan's recollections.

"Our purpose is historic documentation of the American experience and American history. These pieces are not only beautiful sketches but wonderful historical documents," said



WILLIAM L. CLEMENTS LIBRARY

CCB Soldier is among the more than 50 sketches by Bloomfield Hills WWII veteran and artist Jack Keenan on display at the William L. Clements Library on the University of Michigan campus in Ann Arbor.

Lewis, who decided to organize the exhibit in response to the current interest in war images and WWII history.

Many of the sketches, which Keenan donated to the library last year, are portraits. "The real subject seems to be the everyday existence of the soldier," said Lewis. "There's a great common denominator there. What seems to be on the mind of soldiers on the ground is food, coffee, tobacco, and questions like are they are going to be sleeping that night, is it going to be dry, are they going to be safe tonight?"

VIEW OF WAR

What: 'One Man's War: The World War II Sketches of Jack Keenan'

When: Artist reception, 4-6 p.m.

Wednesday, April 27 exhibit continues through May 6, regular museum hours are 1-4:45 p.m. Monday-Friday and by appointment

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FANS AWAIT SOLO SPRINGSTEEN TOUR, NEW CD

The day after the Motor City Music Conference — going on through Sunday, April 24 — Bruce Springsteen comes to the Fox Theatre to kick off his solo tour

If you're not one of the 5,000 fans lucky enough to score a ticket to the April 25 show you can at least hear his new CD, *Devil & Dust*, that hits stores the following day

Detroit's a working class town and Springsteen's soul is with the working class, fans say. The only musician whose significance could even be compared to Springsteen is Bob Marley, said fan Mark Keller of Birmingham.

He's one of the most important musicians of our time, Keller said. He speaks to the heart and soul of the common man. When he plays with the E Street Band it's a sweat-drenched three-hour show. The music, the energy is just extraordinary.

Springsteen could have sold out multiple days at Cobo Arena. Instead, he opted for a bit more intimacy at the Fox on his first solo tour since 1997. On this tour there's no E Street Band.

Tickets to the show, as usual, sold out in minutes. Springsteen imposed a two-ticket limit to protect fans from scalpers, Cellar Door promoters said.

Rick Pinkerton, of the band The Brakemen, is a diehard fan lucky enough to get a ticket. Pinkerton has seen The Boss perform more than a dozen times.

Keller, the North American distributor for Elm Design, a women's clothing company, has seen Springsteen live more than 30 times. Keller and Springsteen even dined together years ago in Ohio. There they discussed their love for Bob Seger and Mitch Ryder.

And then there's Matt Lee, of Drumbeaters public relations company in Royal Oak. No one, it seems, loves music more than Lee. He's been to more than 100 Springsteen concerts throughout the country.

For these fans, and others, is the question — what is it about Springsteen that touches their hearts?

It's tough to encapsulate something that means so much to you," Lee said. "I guess it's because (Springsteen) has been honest throughout the years when so many other musicians weren't. He got us through the 1970s, when it felt like we were in danger of losing music — not just because of the drugs, but also the corporate world impacting music."



LOYALTY ON BOTH SIDES

All three men agreed they've stayed loyal to Springsteen because he stayed loyal to his listeners.

It feels like he and the fans we grew into manhood together," Pinkerton said. He sings about issues the average American man struggles with. He's brave enough to do that and his music has matured along the way.

A few weeks ago, a listening party to preview the new CD was held at The Magic Bag in Ferndale. The diehards attended.

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RARE BOSS

So you think you've heard everything by Bruce Springsteen? Not exactly, my friend. *Southfield Eccentric* editor and Garden State native Wayne Peal opens his big Boss collection for some rarities even aficionados might have missed.

1 *30 Days Out* — From the German *Leap of Faith* CD single. This 1992 outtake has never shown up on any Springsteen collection.

2 *This Hard Land/Does This Bus Stop at 82nd Street* and *Straight Time/Sinaloa Cowboys/Darkness of the Edge of Town* — On Australian CD singles of *Dead Man Walkin'* and *The Ghost of Tom Joad*. Solo and acoustic, just like this month's show.

3 *Streets of Philadelphia/Thunder Road/Murder Incorporated* — Live-in-the-studio versions from 1995, they're on a German CD single of *Hungry Heart* which also throws in a live-in-Berlin version of the title track.

4 *My Hometown, This Hard Land* — From the 2000 E Street Band tour. Originally available only as a Best Buy giveaway.

5 *Dancing In the Dark/Born in the USA* — Disco Springsteen? These two 12-inch vinyl singles from 1984 contain extended, beat-heavy versions of both hits. Dated as a muscle shirt, but still fun.

STORY BY LANA MINI | STAFF WRITER

BOSS

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"The new CD is pretty good. It's very dark and introspective," Willy Wilson of the Magic Bag said. "Everyone I talked to afterward seemed to enjoy it."

Pinkerton said he'll listen a few times before he decides how he feels about it.

"I've always respected his music and I know I'll love (*Devils & Dust*) in time," Pinkerton said. "I was listening to him in the early days, saw him in the late '70s then there was a period during *Born in the U.S.A.* that I wasn't as into him. I didn't want to see him at the huge Silverdome. But I'm always a big fan. His music, his lyrics, are really important to me."

Ironically, Keller and his wife share the same birthday with Springsteen. Sept. 23. Keller and Springsteen share the same birth year, too. 1949. His love for The Boss also goes back to the early days.

Keller saw him perform in 1976 at the Masonic Temple, there's no way he'd miss the Detroit show.

In my younger years, we'd jump on a plane to go see him," Keller said. "We extended a trip in Paris when we heard he was playing there. What an amazing experience."

Pinkerton, Keller and Lee are all educated and successful men. They're socially conscious and Springsteen's ability to voice his opinion, even when it's not politically correct, appeals to them.

"The best thing you can do in this country is speak out, it's our foundation," Keller said.

"But everyone is afraid to do that today. Bruce is willing to take the risks to speak out on social issues — that takes courage."

"He's a great ambassador of America, and people connect with him all over the world."

From Denmark to Japan, there are Bruce fan clubs everywhere. But the tour, lucky for us, begins in Detroit.

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GET TO KNOW BRUCE

A new Springsteen fan? If you can only get a handful of CDs, fan Mark Keller of Birmingham recommends:

- *Born to Run*, 1975
 - *Nebraska* 1982
 - *The Ghost of Tom Joad*, 1995
 - *The Rising*, 2002
- Don't have tickets to the show? Watch him on DVD:
- *Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band Live in New York City 2001* available at www.amazon.com \$16
 - *Bruce Springsteen The Complete Video Anthology 1978-2000*, available on Amazon \$18

■ *MTV Unplugged Bruce Springsteen in Concert 2004* available at Best Buy \$10

Want more?

At press time there were 10,012 available Springsteen items on e-Bay including:

- A Japanese import of *Hungry Heart* unwrapped available for \$40
- A three-inch CD of *Cover Me & Pink Cadillac* available for \$22
- An autographed 1981 tour program from the U.K. available for \$322

Fast facts:

- Bruce was born Sept. 23, 1949 in New Jersey
- The song *The River* was written about his sister according to Jukebox.com
- Steve Van Zandt joined the band during *Born to Run*
- His first car was a 1957 Chevy
- He won an Oscar and four Grammys for the song *Streets of Philadelphia*

MUSIC

FROM PAGE D2

He learned to play while he was serving a mandatory three-year service in the Israeli Army," Kadro said. "His interest in music is intense."

"Chunz' music has some similarities to Shepherd, yet the songs are tighter. The worldly sound, that's definitely rock n' roll, but with many layers, should please Shepherd fans."

"After Gryphon Shepherd broke up, for a few months, no one knew this (project) was happening," Kadro said. "I locked myself in

What's Emergenza?

The musical instrument company is hosting music contests at nightclubs worldwide. Top bands will have the chance to perform at larger festivals. Other prizes are high end musical instruments. The weekend of April 29 are the semifinals. Bands who advance will perform at the finals at the Majestic Theatre Wednesday through Saturday June 1-4. For the full schedule visit <http://www.emergenza.net/document/schedule/eng.asp>. For more information visit www.majesticdetroit.com or www.newgaterecords.com.

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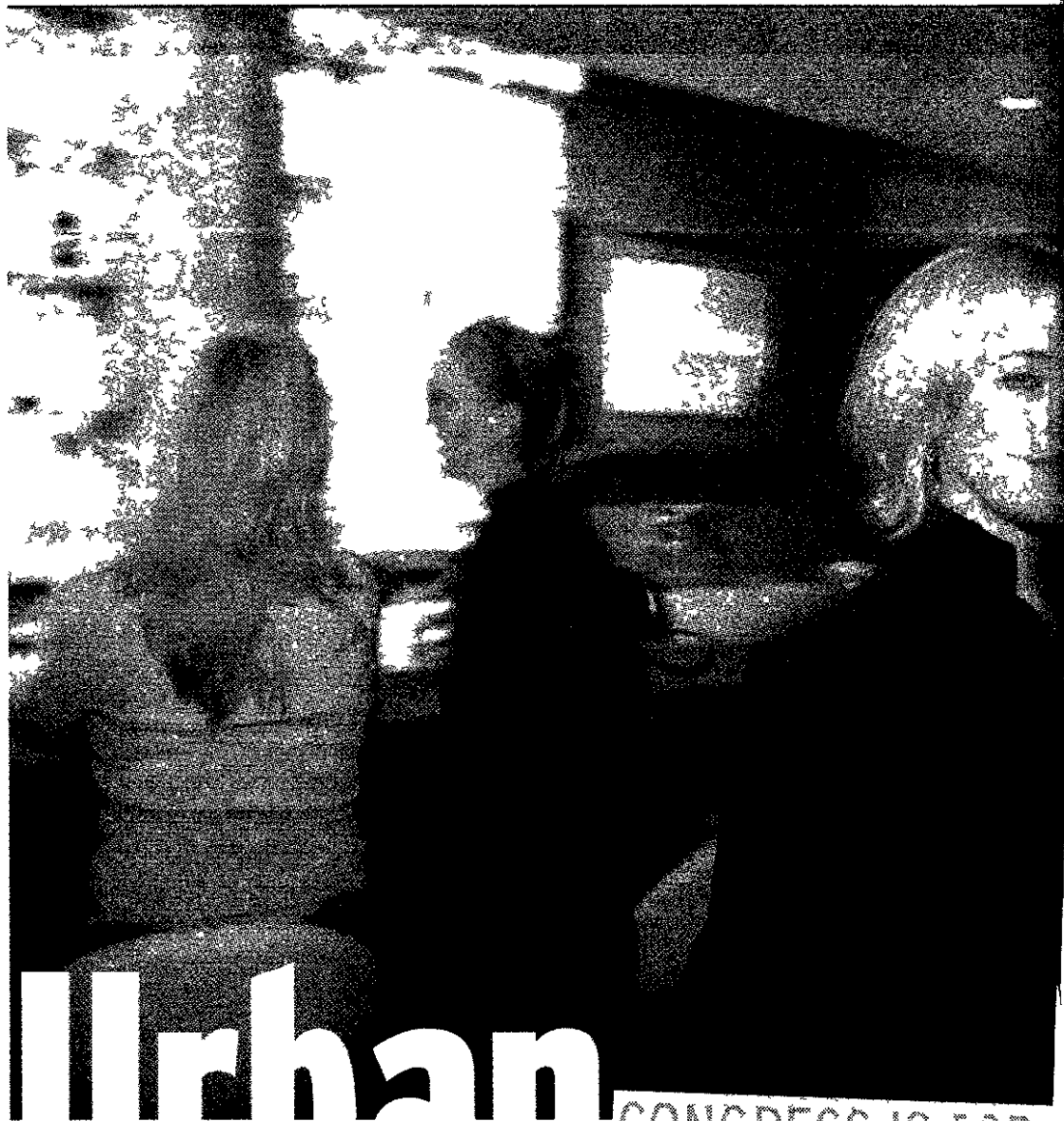
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"We don't get 21-year-olds," said Jeremy Scott, Congress owner and general manager. "Our drink prices are little too high."

Congress, which opened 18 months ago and is conveniently located within walking distance of downtown Detroit's business district and Cobo Hall, certainly swings at the upper end of the bar and restaurant experience.

Its signature dinner entree is a Kobe beef filet, priced at \$49.95. And there's Krystal champagne at \$300 a pop on hand for special occasions and indulgences.

"We probably sell anywhere from a case to two cases in a year," Scott said.

Of course, creative cocktails, ranging \$8-\$14, are big at Congress, too. The house specialty is the Congress Banana Martini, vodka, banana liquor and a secret ingredient plus fresh-sliced banana for sweet aesthetics.

There's no beer on tap, but 25 selections in the bottle.

While the dinner menu chases after higher-end American cuisine with an Italian flair with dishes like amaretto chicken, Chilean sea bass and sautéed

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THE NOT-TOO-YOUNG URBAN HIPSTER

LOW KEY

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"We still offer our dinner menu, but we do more burgers, sandwiches, vegetarian wraps and salads. People want to get in and out fast during lunch," said Scott, who lives in Novi.

Congress also offers a 20-person conference room for local business people. There's no fee, but advance reservations are required.

At night, especially Fridays and Saturdays, the scene turns lounge. And Scott offers live jazz 5-9 p.m. every Friday.

"The average age is close to 30, so it's not like a nightclub," he said.

The ambiance is young urban chic with a neutral palette and modern furnishings and fixtures.

"We're going for the W hotel look," Scott said.

"It's sleek, but comfortable, and kind of timeless."

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Tony Award winner Ben Vereen will perform in *Soaring On Black Wings*, a tribute to African American aviators. This world premiere production culminates Vereen's residency on campus. 8 p.m. Friday, April 29, and 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday, April 30, at the Sponberg Theatre on campus. Tickets \$10 to \$17. Call EMU at (734) 487-1221.

Cherry Hill Theatre

Mrs. Shakespeare Dishes the Dirt, Award-winning actor and Plymouth resident Gilian Eaton performs showing Shakespeare through the eyes of his wife, based on a book by Robert Nye. 8 p.m. Friday, May 6, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, May 7, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 8, at the theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton. Tickets \$15. Call (734) 394-5460.

YOUTH

Marquise Theatre

Peter Cottontail, a musical version of

the Beatrix Potter classic. 2 p.m. Saturdays, April 23, 30, 2:30 p.m. Sundays, April 24, and May 1, at the Marquis Theatre, 135 E. Main, Northville. Tickets \$7-50. For school reservations, birthday parties and group rates, call (248) 349-8110.

Flint Youth Theatre

Charlotte's Web, Joseph Robinette stage adaptation of E. B. White's famous story. 7:30 p.m. April 22, 23, and 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 23, at the Bowers Theater, 1220 East Kearsley St., Flint. Tickets \$8 for children, \$10 for adults. Call (810) 237-1530.

Farmington Hills Youth Theatre

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz, Lisa Muscro adaptation of L. Frank Baum's famous story. 7 p.m. Friday, April 22, and noon and 3 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at the Costick Center at 28600 W. 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, between Middlebelt and Inkster roads. Tickets cost \$8 and are available in advance through the ticket line at (734) 634-4678. Tickets will also be available at the door.

SPECIAL EVENTS

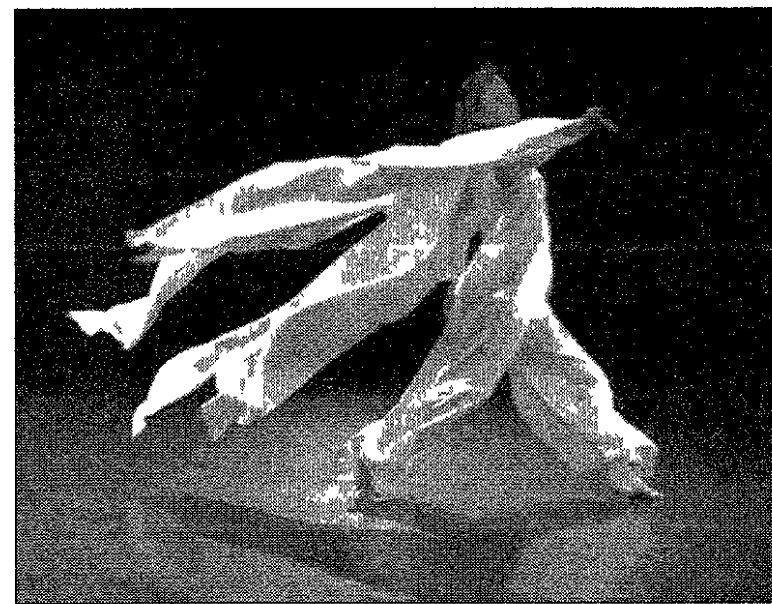
Greenfield Village

Day Out with Thomas 2005. The Celebration Tour, Thomas the Tank Engine rolls into Greenfield Village as part of the 60th anniversary celebration of the Railway Series of storybooks about Thomas and his friends. The program features a 25-minute train ride with Thomas the Tank Engine, a Imagination Station storytelling and a photo op with Sir Topham Hatt. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 22-24 at Greenfield Village in Dearborn. Tickets \$30 for nonmember adults, \$10 for member adults and children 2-4. Tickets include admission to Greenfield Village. For ticket information, call (800) 835-5237 or visit www.thehenryford.org.

COMMUNITY/COLLEGE THEATER

Henry Ford Community College

Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* through May 1 in the Adray Auditorium of MacKenzie Fine Arts Center on HFCC's main campus, 5101 Evergreen, Dearborn. 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets \$8 adults and \$5 for



DETROIT DANCE COLLECTIVE

25th anniversary

Detroit Dance Collective celebrates its 25th anniversary with a gala concert 8 p.m. Friday, April 22 at the Ford Community & Performing Arts Center in Dearborn. \$15-25. Call (313) 737-2033 or visit detroitdancecollective.org

high school students. For ticket reservations, call HFCC's Fine Arts and Fitness Division (313) 845-6475.

Farmington Players Barn Theater

State Fair *Rodgers and Hammerstein* musical about a family at the Iowa State Fair. 8 p.m. April 29-30, May 6, 7, 12, 14, and 19, 21, and 2 p.m. May 1, 8, and 15, at the theater, 32332 W. 12 Mile Road, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$15-\$12 on Thursday and for Seniors (on May 1 only) \$10 for Mom on Mother's Day, May 8. Call (248) 553-2955.

Village Players of Birmingham

Nine, Tony Award-winning musical version of Fellini's film *8 1/2*. 8 p.m. May 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, and 2 p.m. May 15 and 22 at the playhouse, 34660 Woodward, Birmingham. Tickets \$15. Call (248) 644-2075.

CLASSICAL

Detroit Symphony

Detroit Symphony Orchestra and the Tuesday Musicales of Detroit. Music of Brahms and Mendelssohn. 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 27, at the Music Box at the Max, Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Tickets \$25. Call (313) 576-5111 or online www.detroitssymphony.com.

University Musical Society

Jerusalem Quartet performs music by Beethoven, Shostakovich and Dvorak. 8 p.m. Thursday, April 28, at Rackham Auditorium, 915 E. Washington, Ann Arbor, on the campus of the University of Michigan. Tickets \$18-\$36. Call (734) 764-2538.

Lyell Lindsey Fine Arts Series

Violinists Gabe Bolkosky, founder of the Phoenix Ensemble. 4 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at First United Methodist Church, 22331 Woodward Ave., Ferndale. Freewill offering.

Plymouth Symphony

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. 6 p.m. Friday, April 22, at Laurel Manor, 39000 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Ticket \$75 adults, \$35 children. Call (734) 451-2112 or online at info@plymouthsymphony.org.

Kids and Strings

DSO's Ambassador String Quintet performs interactive concert for children 3 and older and their families. 11 a.m. Saturday, April 23, at the Farmington Players Barn, 32332 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$12. Come at 10:30 a.m. to meet the instruments in the lobby.

Detroit Chamber Winds and Strings

Featuring bandoneon player Peter Soave in *Tableside Tango* with music of Brahms and Dvorak. 3 p.m. Sunday, April 24, at Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. Tickets \$25 for adults, \$22 for seniors and \$10 for students. Call (248) 559-2095.

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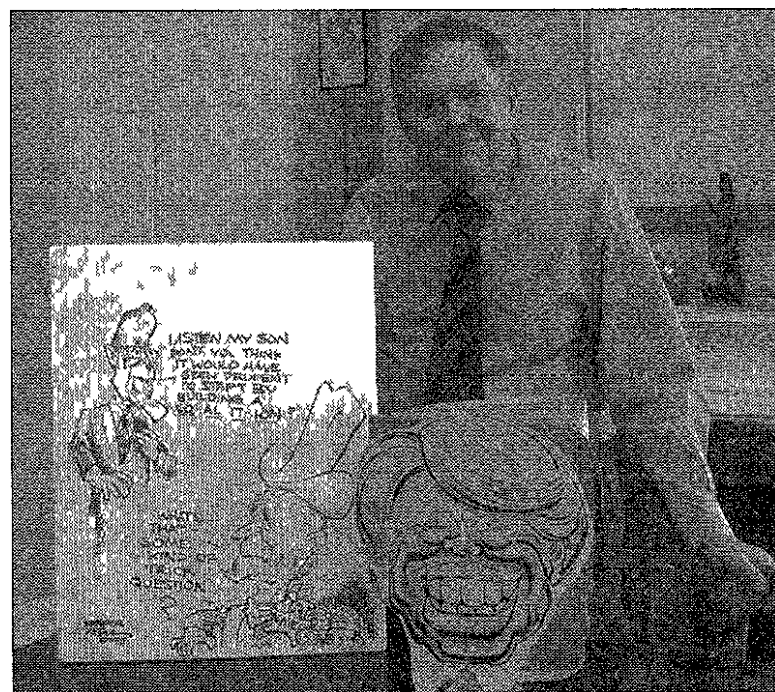
Danzas del Fuego featuring Ginka Ortega's Flamenco version of *El Amor Brujo* by Manuel de Falla. 8 p.m. Friday, April 22, at the Smith Theatre, Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College, Orchard Lake and 12 Mile, Farmington Hills. Tickets \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$15 students and seniors. Call (248) 851-8872.

Madrigal Chorale of Southfield

Humor in Music under the direction of Robert Martin. 3 p.m. Sunday, May 1, at St. Hugo of the Hills, Stone Church, 2215 Opdyke, Bloomfield Hills. Tickets \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. Call (248) 866-9626.

Tuesday Musicales

Music by Michigan composers. 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, at Madonna University, 36600 Schoolcraft, Livonia. Donations \$5 suggested. Call (248) 848-9930.



Political art

The work of editorial cartoonist Draper Hill will be featured in a show sponsored by sculptor Sergio De Giusti. Opening reception is 6-10 p.m. Friday. Show runs through May 22 at the Detroit Artists Gallery, 4719 Woodward Ave. in Detroit. Gallery hours 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Family fun

Mazurka society bids farewell with one revue

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

It's been 40 good years but as the saying goes "all good things must end." The Mazurka Dancing Society has decided to call it quits. But it's not sad. It's a time to celebrate.

As a send-off, the Polish dance group is hosting its final shows on

Saturday and Sunday, April 23-24, at Riverside Middle School in Dearborn Heights.

Mazurka is a general term for specific Polish folk dances that originated in Mazovia near Warsaw.

The Mazurka Dancing Society is disbanding for multiple reasons. The teacher, Lynne Lewandowski, is retiring and interest has been waning, said Martha Bugaj, secretary of the group.

It's been fun and we will miss it, but it was getting harder to keep a group together, Bugaj said. As the dancers grew up and had children of their own, their lives were just so busy and today's youngsters don't commit to just one thing. They're playing soccer, learning instru-

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SEE MAZURKA DANCERS

When: 7 p.m. Saturday April 23 and 4 p.m. Sunday, April 24

Where: Riverside Middle School, 25900 W. Warren Avenue, Dearborn Heights

Tickets: \$5

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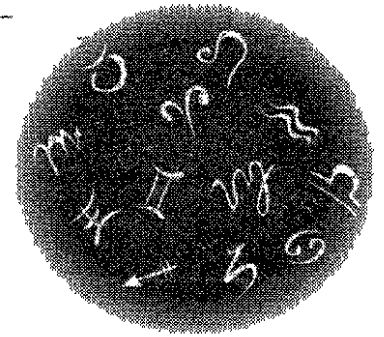


Gerard ter Borch, 1624-1697. Oil on canvas. 1650-1660. The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York.

Star struck

(April 21-23)

By Dennis Fairchild



ARIES (March 21-April 20)



Now with the Sun out of your sign it's time to slow down and count your blessings. Ram. You've been moving so fast that you may have overlooked just how lucky you are to have people around you who can always be counted on to look out for your interests. It would be nice to do something for them, too.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)



Happy birthday kid! All the joys of life really do relate to love, work, health, and money. And this week's planetary activity only signifies that the moment has come to call a halt emotionally and financially. In other words, redefine your role and think more about your own long-term happiness.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)



Seldom have you been under such pressure and put to the test personally, emotionally, and professionally. However, if you continue to remain calm and stick to your principles or beliefs, you will discover that what others expect is of no further use to use. Twin.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)



With the fiery planet Mars now churning up your emotions, you are bound to feel like a fish (crab) out of water. However, the first step seems to be to alter your stand over finances and at least give a new format a fair trial. MoonKid. Breathe deeply, think deeply.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)



You can be argumentative, headstrong, and stubborn as the next person, Lion, but maybe you have been forced to take a stand over financial, business, or tax matters recently. However, the time has come to settle your differences and stop dwelling on what was.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)



Believe it or not, the good times are about to get even better! The Sun's entry into your element and most dynamic area of your chart will boost your confidence to such an extent that, for once, you won't be scared to take the kind of risks that make things happen, kiddo.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)



What seemed like a recent financial loss, failure, or setback should now prove to be a blessing in disguise. However, more than anything else, you must capitalize on a fantastic aspect to your ruling planet, Venus, this week to demand the recognition or acceptance you seek and deserve.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)



You know what it is you want to be doing, so why do you hesitate, Scorp? If you're waiting for some kind of signal, you might wait forever, so summon up your courage and do what feels right. Don't wait for permission, kiddo! Now's the time!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)



For quite some time now, your personal life appears to have been overshadowed by some kind of upset on the home front. Now, however, you can give family fair warning that it would be foolish to push you an inch further or expect anything more than they are entitled to receive. Archer.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)



It's time to slow down and count your blessings, SeaGoat. You've been moving so fast that you may have overlooked just how lucky you are to have people around you who can always be counted on to look out for your interests. It would be nice to do something for them, too.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)



Are your ears burning, Waterbearer? If something you hear through the grapevine can be turned to your advantage, you must not hesitate to use it. You may not have been supposed to hear it, but that's irrelevant. Once the info is made public, you own it as much as anyone else.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)



Yep, monies have been tough for a long, long while, Fish. However, no matter how important your work may be, you must take time for your family/friends this week. The planets will find a way to remind you that your home life is the bedrock of your existence.

Dennis Fairchild is a Birmingham-based astrologer and author of several books on divination. For information about personal consultations, phone (248) 546-6912 or e-mail DenFairchild@aol.com

PLAY

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It's just fun stuff'

Misalliance, set in 1909 in the English home of self-made millionaire John Tarleton, unfolds a dialogue about early 20th century womanhood, marriage and morality

Tarleton's daughter, Hypatia, is engaged to a brainy aristocrat, a man that meets with her father's approval. But when an aviator and Polish acrobat literally crash into Tarleton's house, everything changes and the discussion gets lively

The female Polish acrobat, for example, declares she wouldn't mind making love to every man in the room, but is taken aback about a guy asking her to marry him

"It's a big speech about women's independence," said Schmitt, who described Shaw as a lighter, comic version of the playwright Henrik Ibsen

Both writers addressed important social issues by having their characters literally sit down and enter into a discussion

"And Shaw's characters don't hesitate to come out and say what they believe, but the social commentary is lighter and more humorous," Schmitt said

Other issues typically addressed in

SEASON FINISH

What: George Bernard Shaw's *Misalliance* a drawing room comedy to close the Hilberry Theatre's 2004-05 season

When: Continues in rotating repertoire through May 14

Where: Hilberry Theatre Cass at Hancock on the campus of Wayne State University Detroit

Tickets: \$13 \$22 call the box office (313) 577-2972 or visit www.hilberry.com

Shaw's work include the social class system, capitalism and women's rights. And though his plays were set in a bygone era, the issues have relevance today

"He touched on the same issues that we still kind of wrestle with," Schmitt said. "But his big thing was that every body needed to be free, to be a free individual. Here, the daughter just wants to break free and bust out. And it ties in to some of the social issues, but at the core the play is about people being free"

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DANCE

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ments. They're so busy it's a good thing"

The Mazurka Dancing Society had goals to further the Polish culture in metro Detroit and to provide children with healthy activities

It was a way to keep kids off the streets," Bugaj said. "We have so many successful people in the group - nurses, teachers, engineers"

The 40th Annual Music Revue will include the dancers and also live music by the Walt Lipiec Band. Lipiec, of Dearborn Heights, has played with the group for more

than 15 years. He's also been a popular musician locally for more than 50 years, bringing his accordion and piano skills to bars, weddings and festivals. He plays Polish, Italian, French, German, Big Band and more

"It's fun playing with the dancers," Lipiec said. "Music is where I belong and I love the opportunity to share it"

Lipiec has attended the society's rehearsals every Monday for several years. He plays music while they study

"This is the only group that I know of that always performs with music," he said.

A lot of friends and memories were made. It was a long, nice haul, Bugaj said.

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Pure Picks

Selected from the reams of publicity propaganda we present our top entertainment picks for the week. Filtered just for you.

Album

A brief history of **The Decemberists**

They started out getting a lot of attention because they sort of sounded like Neutral Milk Hotel. This was because they were a combination of NMH's nasally vocals and an English geek's fantasy of literate storytelling. Then they released two full length albums with military seafaring and French prostitute themes as well as a concept album based on the Irish tale of The Tain. All of the albums like to use words like vagabond and shanty and petticoat. It was somewhere around this time that they became a staple with the odd ball music lovin' set. Recently they released their latest full length *Picaresque* on Kill Rock Stars and it occurred to me that the NMH references are no longer valid.



Everytime I run a photo of The Decemberists I don't have space to run it bigger than tiny I apologize

They have morphed into an extreme of the seafaring theme (*The Mariner's Revenge Song*) while returning to more traditional music themes such as love (*Of Angels and Angles*) and even trying political songwriting (*16 Military Wives*). And that's not even talking about my favorite track *Engine Driver* which is one of those rare songs that strives to tell the truth in beautiful metaphor. In short they are doing what a good band should - becoming more and more solid and more and more unique. *Picaresque* is available at fine record stores now and The Decemberists will play Grand Rapids May 19 if you're up for the hike and May 20 in Detroit. More details on the band (and the upcoming shows) are online at www.decemberists.com

Fact You Don't Need to Know

I'm helping put together this year's Summer Smash festival in August. Send bribes with requests to play at the addresses below.

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Hot 5

In no particular order the top five things Metro Detroit is talking about

- 1 MC2** The Motor City Music Conference is in full swing. Go see the Javelins Saturday at the Motor City Rocks (www.motorcityrocks.com) showcase at Jacoby's and then come back here next week for more on them. Check out all the details on MC2 at www.motorcitymusic.com and don't be a hater.
- 2 2500 Club** You say it. Twenty five hundred club while you roll your eyes a little to show how you know all about its supposed hip status but are like totally not buying it. Of course you still hang out there.
- 3 Tubronegro** The band favored by those *Viva La Bam* kids have a new album out in May and really

the only person talking about it is my boyfriend bugging me to get a copy for review but whatever.

4 That one song in that one commercial *Hello Tomorrow* by Squeak E. Clean featuring Yeah Yeah Yeah's frontwoman Karen O. The song used in that Adidas commercial directed by (Karen's boyfriend) Spike Jonze is available on iTunes. Usually songs in commercials work the other way around.

5 The Web site www.milkandcookies.com/links/27260/ The clip is over 5 years old but there is still something about hearing *Total Eclipse of the Heart* played on household appliances that really brings back those middle school self esteem assemblies.

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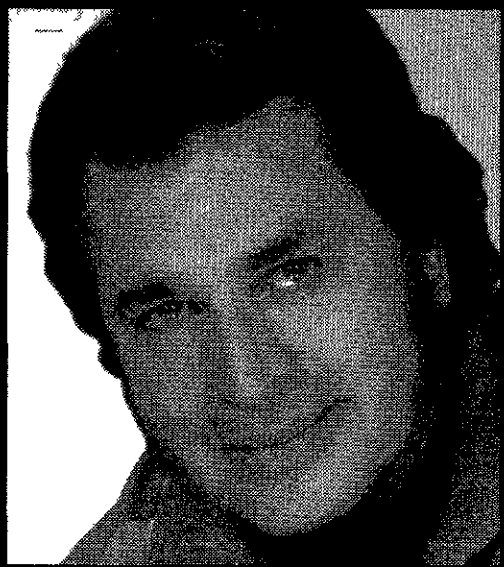
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