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Walking with a purpose

Flower shop
owners team to
raise cancer
awareness

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Jill West of Canton Township had special motivation while participating in last weekend's Michigan Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk, which spanned 60 miles over three days.

My mother is a breast cancer survivor and both of my grandmothers in their lifetime also had breast cancer. West said. And at this point my motivation is that my daughters, and any granddaughters I may have, won't have to deal with breast cancer.

West was the fourth-highest fund-raiser for the walk, raising \$12,500. The net proceeds will benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation to fund breast cancer research, education, screening and treatment programs, as well as the National Philanthropic Trust Breast Cancer Fund, to provide an endowment for breast cancer initiatives.

Last year, West raised \$10,000. "We're very connected to our church, and with owning a business we have a good network of people," she said. "People are very gracious givers."

Victor and Jill West own Vanessa's Flowers on Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth Township. Victor was a crew member, helping behind the scenes during the walk. However, he decided to do more, soliciting 3,000 carnations from flower wholesalers, and some lumber.

"As each walker crossed the finish line, we handed every person a



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Victor West, owner of Vanessa's Flowers, and Vanessa's employee Harmony Howard display the bow made from carnations that honors the Michigan three-day walk. West's wife, Jill, raised over \$12,000 in donations.

pink carnation, which they then placed on the breast cancer ribbon," Victor said. "Each carnation represents each of the 1,700 walkers."

"It was just something I wanted to do because I could do it," he added.

The breast cancer ribbon made of pink carnations caught the attention of many passers-by, as it was displayed in front of

the West's florist shop along Ann Arbor Road for a couple of days.

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Sincock gets 3% wage hike

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth City Commission gave City Manager Paul Sincock a 3-percent raise and 3-percent bonus Monday night, boosting Sincock's 2005-06 fiscal year salary to \$95,434.

The pay increase came after an executive session, in which commissioners gave Sincock his review that resulted in an average score of 4.63 out of a possible five. "I don't think you could find a better city manager in the country," said Commissioner Phil Pursell. "His heart is in the right place. He grew up here and knows his job thoroughly."



Sincock

Commissioners rated Sincock an average 4.76 for administration of affairs of the city, 4.69 for his knowledge, skills and abilities, 4.6 for accomplishment of city commission goals, and

PLEASE SEE HIKE, A9

Seniors shoot for Olympic medals

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Mary Ann Saint has won nearly a dozen blue ribbons at the Michigan State Fair over the past 20 years for her baking prowess.

"My neighbors call me the cookie lady," said Saint, who lives in the Bradbury Park Homes on Haggerty Road in Plymouth Township. "I like to bake cookies, pies, breads and cakes."

At the age of 78, Saint has decided to take her baking skills to the next level by attempting to win an Olympic gold medal.

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JIM JAGDFELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Barbara Levinsky and her 2-year-old niece Halle Randolph watched last year as "Jake" became the first recipient of the "Golden Paws" award.

Pooches take to streets for annual walk

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Paws With a Cause is a national group whose mission is to help make life as normal as possible for people with disabilities.

Next week, dog owners and other residents in the Plymouth community get a chance to help the group accomplish that goal.

Paws With a Cause sponsors its fifth annual "Laps for Learning" walk in downtown Plymouth at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 30, beginning at Kellogg

Park.

All dogs are welcome with their owners, but residents need not have a dog to help. Pledges can be made in advance, or donations can be made the day of the walk.

"The money we raise from the walk goes to our educational program," said Sue Brooks, development representative in the Paws With a Cause Southeast Michigan Regional Office in Auburn Hills. "We do hundreds of presentations to adults in corporate settings, as well as to kids, that talk about people with

disabilities, and talk about the roles the dogs play in their lives."

Paws With a Cause was founded in Michigan in 1979. The group trains assistance dogs to help people with disabilities try to live independent lives. The dogs, according to Brooks, are mostly labradors, golden retrievers or a mix, function as service dogs, hearing dogs, seizure response dogs and "combo" dogs for people with multiple disabilities.

A demonstration of those abilities will be part of the

July 30 walk, which will also feature activities such as "bobbing for tennis balls," an agility obstacle course, a dog/human relay race and a "Smooch the Pooch" booth.

Service dogs, which Brooks said are "probably the most common," can open doors both literally and figuratively, she said.

"They're very socially acceptable dogs," Brooks pointed out. "If someone had previously been put off by someone in a wheelchair, they might smile at them if they have the dog. That's one way

they open doors.

Some of the other functions these dogs provide include, but aren't limited to, retrieving fallen objects, turning lights on and off, helping with laundry and grocery shopping and even waking them for work.

"The dogs make life as normal as it possibly can be for them," Brooks said. "The dogs give people - not only the disabled, but their families - back some independence they might have lost."

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Class reunion

The Plymouth High School Class of 1965 celebrates its 40th class reunion 6 p m to 12 30 a m on Saturday, Sept 10, at Fox Hills Country Club, 8768 N Territorial near Plymouth

Dress for the event is casual business attire Tickets are \$55 per person, with registration required by Aug 1 There will be a dinner buffet and open bar Organizers are looking for classmates

Send registration and checks to Jeff Hoffman, c/o Chatham, Seland & Lashley, P.A., 940 Centre Circle, Suite 2005, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 or e-mail Jeff Hoffman at JLF940@earthlink.net, or call Dick Berry, (281) 350-6212

Blood drive

The Plymouth post office hosts a blood drive from 11 a m to 4 30 p m Wednesday, Aug 3, for the American Red Cross The post office is located on Beck Road

Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments can be scheduled through Barb Mitchell by calling (734) 453-6111

Jazz concert

The Blue Lake

International Jazz Band plays a local concert at 7 p m Sunday, July 31, at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth

The band, from Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp, is a full big band ensemble playing a wide range of jazz selections The band recently completed a three-week tour to France, Germany and Austria

First United Methodist Church is located at 45201 N Territorial in Plymouth Township Admission to the concert is free Visit the church's Web site at pfumc.org for more information

Pet adoption

Pet Spa, a Plymouth-based full service pet grooming salon, hosts a pet adoption from noon to 3 p m Sunday, July 31 Pet Spa is located at 41124 Five Mile, just west of Haggerty

The adoption will feature approximately nine dogs and six cats ranging in age from seven weeks to senior adulthood Almost Home, a West Bloomfield-based nonprofit agency dedicated to matching pets with loving families, will offer the animals for adoption

This is the fourth adoption Pet Spa has hosted since January To date Pet Spa has helped place more than 12 animals with deserving permanent and foster families Pet Spa Owner Jessica Ingraham hopes to continue to host pet adoptions and increase the number of pets placed with families

Nothing is more rewarding than helping people find a new member of their family," Ingraham said We have so many incredible animals who deserve caring homes'

For more information, call Pet Spa Grooming at (734) 420-8930

Restaurant crawl

The Plymouth Chamber of Commerce and the restaurants of Old Village sponsor the sixth annual Taste of Plymouth's Old Village Restaurant Crawl, from 5 30-8 30 p m Wednesday, Aug 10

Participating restaurants include Plymouth Crossing, Plymouth Fish & Seafood, Station 885, Hermanns Olde Town Grille and Grecian Cafe

Horse-and-carriage rides will be free for ticket holders Tickets cost \$15 per person, with children 12 and younger eating for \$5 Tickets can be purchased by phone using Visa or MasterCard through the chamber office Tickets are also available at Plymouth Crossing, Plymouth Fish & Seafood, Station 885 and the chamber office

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

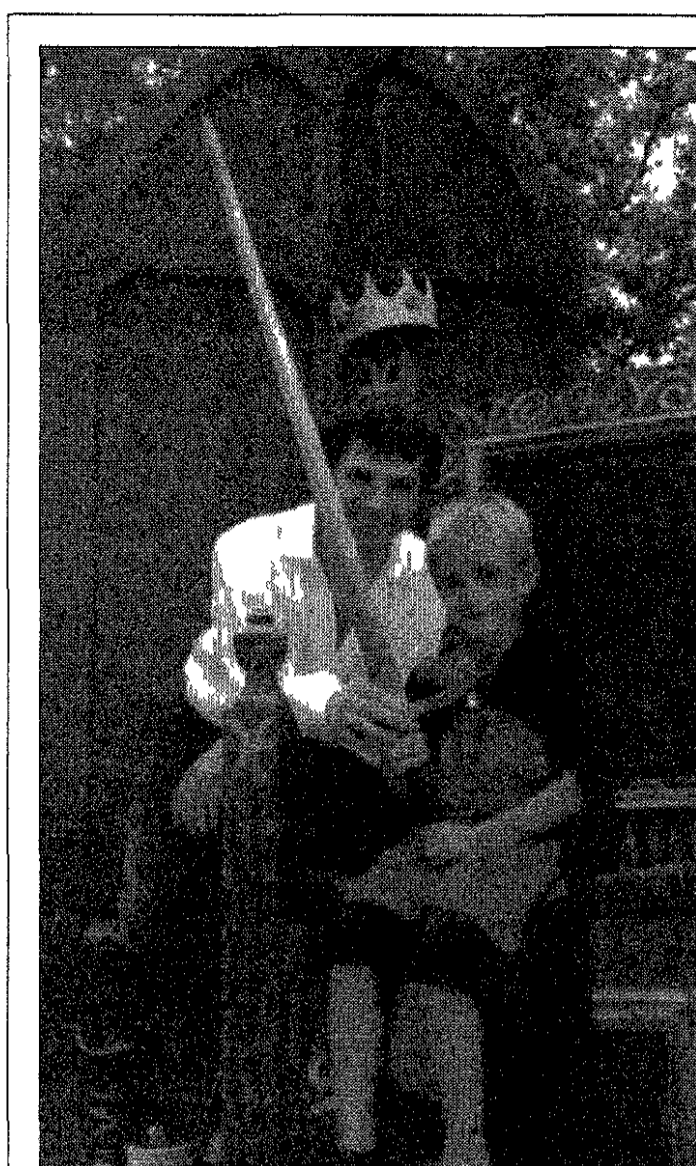
Crafters needed

Crafters are still needed for the 19th annual Delta Kappa Gamma juried show on Saturday, Oct 15 The show will run from 9 a m to 4 p m at West Middle School, 44401 W Ann Arbor Trail in Plymouth Township Call Jan at (734) 844-1707 or e-mail to theways@comcast.net for more information

Rummage sale

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 is having its second annual Rummage and Bake Sale 9 a m to 5 p m July 28-30 at the hall 344 Elizabeth (at Ann Arbor Trail) in Plymouth

Anyone who would like to donate items can deliver them to the hall between 10 a m and 4 p m July 26 27



Medieval madness

Library patrons will be able to step on to a medieval battlefield when the Plymouth District Library's Summer Reading Program hosts 'Ring of Steel,' a lively group of medieval warriors who will entertain with combat and swordplay from the middle ages. This free event is open to children of all ages and will take place on Thursday, June 28 at 7 p m Register for this program by calling the Reader's Advisory Desk at (734) 453 0750 Ext 4

golf outing Sunday, July 31, at the Fox Hills Golf Course

Golfers can still register for 18 holes of four-person scramble while supporting one of their favorite community institutions The cost of the outing is \$125 per person, which includes 18 holes with cart and dinner

Registration and contact information can be found online at <http://www.pcmcb.net/golfflyer> and clicking on the PCMB golf ball

Low vision support

The Plymouth District Library continues to expand services for members of the area who are experiencing reduced vision capabilities

A low vision support group will meet at the library 1-3 p m on the first Thursday of each month The first meeting will be held at 1 p m Aug 4 This gathering will provide an opportunity for sharing advice on coping skills and adaptive technologies in an informal supportive atmosphere A qualified facilitator will lead the group

Library staff members will be on hand at each meeting to provide assistance with library equipment, services and offerings Currently, the library offers large print books, magazines and newspapers, audio books on cassette and CD, magnifying glasses for loan, Optilec large screen viewer and a large screen computer monitor The library also offers occasional programs to address vision issues All these services are free and open to members of other communities as well

The Plymouth District Library is located at 223 S Main in downtown Plymouth

For more information, contact Ellen Stross, adult reference librarian, (734) 453-0750, Ext 232, or estross@plymouthlibrary.org

Call for Art

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is accepting entries for their August art exhibit, Landscapes & Vistas This second annual memorial show is in honor of Canton artist Connie Lucas

It is nonjuried and open to the first 40 artists submitting framed two-dimensional work depicting scenes landscapes or vistas The exhibit will be open to the public beginning Aug 2 through Aug 29

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While studies may not yet document a trend physical therapists are finding that as laptop use becomes more prevalent many laptop owners are reporting more persistent back shoulder wrist and neck aches The problem seems to rest with the fact that the keyboard and the screen on a laptop are too close to one another One study showed that laptop users complain of pain in more and different body parts than desktop users because desktop users have the ability to set the tops of their screens at eye level and their keyboards about twenty inches below that for optimum posture

PS If you are experiencing computer related pain and posture problems the physical therapist may be able to suggest ways to obtain relief

Current experts are developing new laptop designs and accessories that are more ergonomically efficient In the meantime if you suffer neck shoulder or wrist aches from frequently laptop use or another cause seek advice and treatment from a physical therapist For additional information call **HANDS ON CENTER FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY** at 455 8370 We are located at 650 South Main Street in downtown Plymouth We have easy access and parking New patients are gladly accepted

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Band on the run

Library concert takes aim at teens

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

The Plymouth District Library will be jamming Sunday, with the rock and roll sounds of a band encouraging teens to read throughout the summer.

Normally a quiet place to read and study, the downtown Plymouth library will be one of 15 stops throughout Michigan or the Detroit-based band High Strung, which will play a full set of its high-energy, psychedelic pop as part of the first-ever Rock & Roll Library Tour.

"It's a program we're marketing to teens to get them into the library and keep them reading during the summer," said William Harmer of Plymouth, a librarian at the Baldwin Public Library in Birmingham, and organizer of the statewide tour with High Strung. "After playing a full set, the band will talk with teens about their love of reading and writing, and how that has influenced their music and lyrics."

"I worked with the band on another program a couple of years ago, and I was taken with how down-to-earth and humble they are," said Harmer. "I was impressed by their ability to connect with young people, teenagers especially, and the

idea came to me from nowhere."

Sunday's concert in Plymouth will be the 24th stop of the tour. Harmer said while the band played to nearly 500 people on one stop, most libraries on the schedule are averaging about 50 teens.

Susan Stoney, public relations specialist for the Plymouth District Library, said they've already given out 112 free tickets, and will have room for about 180 people for the 1:30 p.m. concert.

"It will make young people who might not think about the library more aware of what we have here," said Stoney. "All year long we host a number of different programs for teens that aren't your normal reading programs, like craft days, chess workshops and poetry slams. Any time you can get a library user to think of the library in a different light, it's a good thing."

High Strung has received positive reviews for its music, and been featured in national magazines like *Rolling Stone* and *Entertainment Weekly*. National Public Radio, which is following the group on part of the tour, included the group's *These are Good Times* album in its top ten several years ago.

Josh Malerman - High Strung's guitarist, vocalist and



Detroit-based band High Strung, which will play a full set of its high-energy, psychedelic pop as part of the first-ever Rock & Roll Library Tour at the Plymouth District Library at 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

principal songwriter - said he likes to read authors like William Faulkner, Virginia Woolf and Ernest Hemingway.

"We've been on the road playing smoky bars for four years, so playing in libraries is kind of cool," said Malerman, on a cell phone Wednesday while crossing the Mackinac Bridge, on the way to a library concert in Escanaba. "Just by virtue of being there, it shows the importance of libraries."

Malerman graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in English, and planned on becoming a teacher. But, then, he started writing books and music.

"I really mean it when I say that Stephen King has influenced this band more than the Sex Pistols," he said.

High Strung played last month at the Livonia Public Library, drawing nearly 60 people to kick off the summer reading program.

"We drew a large number of

teens that possibly wouldn't have come to the library under normal circumstances," said Deborah Jakubiec, teen librarian. "We got more kids involved in the summer reading program that first day than we usually get."

"Teens are a hard group to attract to the library, especially with TV, video games, sports and other activities," she said.

"If we can offer programs that have popular interest for teens, like music, it's much easier to get them involved and easier to get them to come back again."

Stoney said free tickets for Sunday's concert at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main, can be picked up at the Reader's Advisory Desk for as long as they last.

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CONCERTS

Here is the rest of the concert schedule for the Friday night series, sponsored by the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority and Community Financial.

Concerts start at 7 p.m. in Kellogg Park.
■ July 22 - Saoco (nine-piece Latin jazz group)
■ July 29 - Steve King and the Dittles hits of the 50s and 60s

■ Aug 5 - The Randy Brock Group blues
■ Aug 12 - Rock's Gang
■ Aug 19 - The CrackerJack Band

■ Aug 26 - Gerard Gibbs Reorganized
■ Sept 2 - Lady Sunshine and the X Band

Here is the schedule for the 'Music in the Park' series,

sponsored by the Plymouth Community Arts Council and New Liberty Bank. Concerts take place at noon on Wednesdays, also in Kellogg Park.

■ July 27 - Mustard's Retreat
■ Aug 3 - Phoenix
■ Aug 10 - Guy Louis & Chautauqua Express
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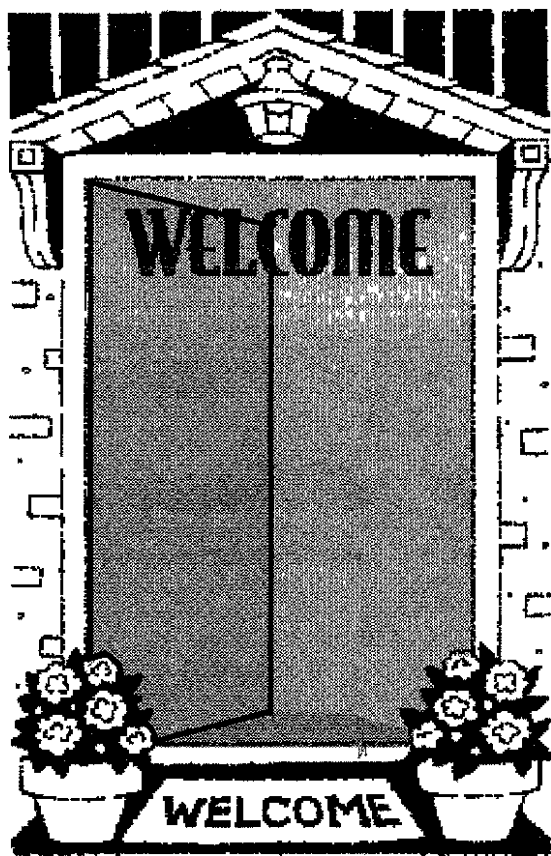
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New officer

John D. Thompson has graduated from Officer Candidate School (OCS) at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga., and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

During the 14 weeks of training, the officer candidate received 'basic soldiering' instruction in leadership, professional ethics, soldier team development, combined arms tactics, weapons defense, combat water survival, squad drill, intelligence, field training exercises, and navigation.

Thompson, an ordnance officer, is the son of Karen A. Rumpert of Plymouth and Robert B. Thompson of Prescott, Ariz.



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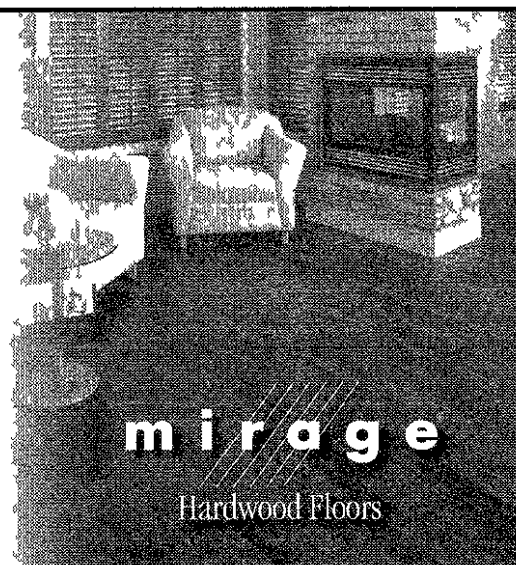
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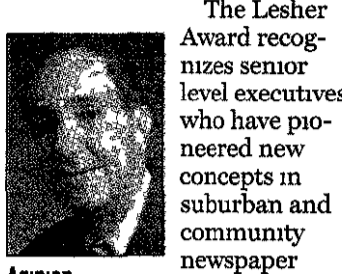
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O&E publisher receives SNA leadership award

Richard Agniam, president and publisher of the *Observer & Eccentric* and *Mirror Newspapers*, has been named winner of the 2005 Dean Leshner Award by Suburban Newspapers of America.



Agniam

The Leshner Award recognizes senior level executives who have pioneered new concepts in suburban and community newspaper publishing, provided civic leadership to the communities they serve, enhanced the industry through leadership and produced outstanding newspapers. It represents a lifetime of achievement.

"Dick was an advocate for quality journalism and the newspapers he managed were annual winners and models of the best of in our business," Charles Lyons, chief executive officer of Post-Newsweek Media, wrote in a letter of nomination. In sales and marketing, he saw the value of network sales and played a key role in the launch of SPRING (now Greater Detroit Newspaper Network). He also diversified his business with acquisition of niche publications.

"He led one of the largest suburban newspaper operations in North America, one that has been admired and modeled by many in the industry over the years," Lyons added. "He launched one of the most successful

suburban newspaper networks in the country before it was popular to do so. He has committed countless hours to the industry and community organizations.

Agniam began his newspaper career 29 years ago, when he became treasurer of Suburban Communications Corp. One year later, he became the president and chief operating officer of suburban newspaper operations in Detroit and Cincinnati.

After many years of growth, Gannett purchased HomeTown Communications earlier this year and Agniam remains in his position under the new ownership during a transition period. At age 64, he continues to be extremely involved in the community.

To have your name placed alongside Paul Averill, Philip Power, Dean Leshner and other giants of the suburban newspaper industry is very humbling," Agniam said. "I am honored to be in such

good company"

Agniam will receive the award at the SNA Fall Publishers and Advertising Directors Conference in Denver in September. "We are thrilled to honor Dick for his tremendous contributions to the suburban and community newspaper industry," said Nancy Lane, SNA executive director. "The competition this year was intense as the Leshner nominating committee received so many worthy candidates to consider. Dick's nomination stood out for his innovation and accomplishments over a long and prosperous career."

Headquartered in Michigan, Suburban Newspapers of America is a nonprofit trade association serving nearly 2,000 newspapers in North America. SNA represents and supports the suburban and community newspaper industry through leadership, education, promotion, research and the advancement of high standards.

RICHARD D. AGNIAM

- **Hometown:** Birmingham
- **Personal:** Married to Diane. Two daughters: Dawn and Marla
- **Education:** Ph.B. Wayne State University; MBA Rutgers University
- **Professional accomplishments:** CPA 1977; 2005 president and CEO HomeTown Communications Network, Inc.; 1976-77 treasurer Suburban Communications Corp.; 1975-76 assistant to president; Falvey Motors of Troy 1964-75 audit manager; Arthur Andersen & Co.
- **Associations (current):** 2003 present: Board of Directors YMCA Foundation member; Investment Committee 2001 present: Board of Directors Certified Audit of Circulation 2000 present: trustee William Beaumont Hospital member; Investment Committee member; Audit Committee 1999 present: executive vice chairman 35th Ryder Cup Oakland Hills Country Club 1996 present: Board of Directors Metropolitan YMCA 1991 present: Board of Directors/trustee Corporation for a Skilled Workforce 1985 present: Board of Directors/trustee Walsh College; chairman Finance and Investment committees member Audit Committee Economic Club of Detroit; Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants; American Institute of Certified Public Accountants; Detroit Presidents Organization; Adcraft Club of Detroit; Oakland Hills Country Club
- **Awards:** 2001 Paul Harris Fellow Award; Bloomfield Hills Rotary Club 2001 Community Service Award; The Community House 2000 Children's Coalition - Media Merry Go Round Award 1998 Community Service Award; Birmingham Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra 1995 Village Players Superstar 1995 Volunteer of the Year on behalf of The Community House in Birmingham; from the National Society Fund Raising Executives
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Comics help church with 'Hilarity for Charity'

BY HUGH GALLAGHER
STAFF WRITER

St Aloysius Church on Washington Boulevard in Detroit is an imposing presence downtown. But the church, established in 1873, is more than just a beautiful building. It has an active Outreach Ministry providing to the city's poorest residents.

When Dr Gregory Elliott, a Livonia dentist with a practice in Farmington Hills, and his son, Patrick, a sophomore at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, learned of the church's many needs they decided they had to do something about it.

"My father and I met with Father Mark Soehner at St Aloysius, Patrick Elliott said. "We knew they were having

troubles and it takes a lot of money to keep up the programs. We had lunch with Father Mark, told him what we wanted to do and he liked the idea."

St Aloysius Outreach Ministry, directed by Kathleen Lynch, provides rent and utility assistance, sandwiches and coffee, clothing and hygiene kits, blood pressure screening and health advocacy and referrals for substance abuse and medical assistance.

The idea was to put on a show, Hilarity For Charity, featuring a night of stand-up comedy.

The show is 8 p.m. Saturday, July 23, at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton. Tickets are \$50 and available at the Summit on the Park and by telephone at (734)394-5600.

It was a natural as Patrick's uncle Jerry Elliott had traveled the country for 15 years as a stand-up comedian and is now the co-host of the Wags & Elliott Morning Show on WLWQ radio in Columbus, Ohio.

The show is a family affair. Dr Elliott is a sponsor as is Display Max, a business owned by Patrick's aunt and uncle. Patrick is handling the promotion. Jerry Elliott will be the emcee. Patrick's cousin Joshua Sobek, 12, will play piano from 7 to 8 p.m.

Headliners for the program will be Al April, dubbed the Abe Lincoln of Comedy for his comedic wisdom, and Paul Kelly, a noted storyteller. April became known for doing on-flight comedy for Continental Airlines, has appeared at several Detroit Clubs and has per-

formed with his friend Tim Allen on Allen's sitcom *Home Improvement*. Kelly has appeared on Oprah Winfrey's show, Comedy Central and Showtime's Comedy Club Network. The Chicago comic is the WGN Comedy Bowl champion.

Don't expect any raunchy routines. "The show will be family friendly. We were very clear about that with the comedians. It's for charity and we want to keep it clean," Patrick said.

Patrick, who is a pre-med student, is considering either following his father into dentistry or pursuing a medical degree. This is his first big charity project.

"I've done little things like community service and the Crop Walk, but this is the first time for something like this."



Patrick Elliott, a sophomore at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, is learning a lot about promoting a charity event by working on Hilarity for Charity to benefit downtown Detroit's St Aloysius.

"I'm learning a lot, there are a lot of small details," Patrick said.

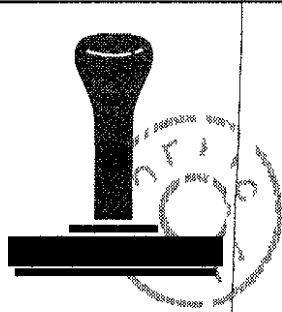
He is hoping to raise \$20,000 from the event.

"In addition to raising money, people are exposed to a good cause. It's designed to show people what they're all about," he said.

FOR THE RECORD

DEATHS

- D**
Lawrence Dowell, 67, died July 16
William J. "Father Bill" Dowell, 85, of Livonia, died July 17
- J**
Elaine A. Jensen, 63, of Westland, died July 18
- M**
Kenneth Stevenson MacGregor, 84, of Mt. Clemens, formerly of Livonia, died July 14
- O**
Arthur C. Oifs, 81, died June 23
- P**
Erik J. Pekkala, 43, of Birmingham, formerly of West Bloomfield, died July 18
Stephen Perrish, 20, of Livonia, died July 15
Debra Lynn Progar, 51, died July 7
- T**



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- Doris Emily Tutor, 83, died July 11**
- W**
Betty Ann Williams, 82, of Venice, died July 17

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SENIORS

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Saint will compete in the first Western Wayne County Senior Olympics, hosted by Van Buren Township Sept 12-16

"I'm going to bake cookies and a pie, said Saint 'I've got quite a few blue ribbon recipes to choose from I know for sure I'm going to make a coffee-toffee pie I made it for another local senior a long time ago, and I didn't hardly need to wash the dish when they got finished"

The western Wayne County version of the Senior Olympics is a carbon copy of competition already taking place in Downriver communities, which draws nearly 400 seniors for contests in such areas as baking, golf, swimming, bridge, bocce ball, Frisbee, pinochle and euchre

training because they want to win these contests, like in swimming," said Marsha Koet, director of the Plymouth Community Council on Aging

"And, it's social as much as it is competition for the seniors" For Saint, the Olympic competition is a way to keep active and socialize with others

"I just think it's a great opportunity for seniors to get together, she said

"We all have different talents, and there's something for everyone in this Olympics I think it's important to show that seniors still have something to contribute," Saint said

Seniors aren't just sitting in their rocking chairs, anymore It's not true that just because you're over 60, you're over the hill"

Plymouth seniors can sign up for the competition by contacting Koet at (734) 453-1234, Ext. 236

Terry Allor of Plymouth Township didn't start swimming until she was 40 But, now at the age of 59, she swims a couple of times a week, along with water aerobics, to keep in shape

"It's knowing that you can perform and achieve a goal, said Allor, 59, who will compete in the Olympics "You

feel really good about that, and it's a lot of fun"

The competitions will be held at various facilities throughout western Wayne County, with pinochle competition being held at the Friendship Station in Plymouth Township

The horseshoe competition will be held at Freedom Park in Canton Township, with volleyball scheduled for the Summit on the Park in Canton

"I can see a lot of health and socialization benefits to these Olympics," said Janet Brady, program supervisor at the Summit

"We have a lot of exercise programs at the Summit for seniors, and a lot of other things for them to do, and it's not hard to fill them up"

Brady said Canton participants can sign up at the senior center at the Summit

Jerry Gawura, 86, of Canton Township just completed the Michigan Senior Olympics in Kalamazoo, winning four gold medals in horseshoes, shot put, discus and javelin throw She's also participated with her softball team in the national Senior Olympics competition

I'm not in the best shape I

want to be, but I don't want to give in," said Gawura

"You don't want to be washed up and just sit and watch TV That's no good for you

"I think it keeps your mind alert," she said of the competition

"It's like therapy, exercise and camaraderie You make friends with the people you compete with and it becomes a family"

The Western Wayne County Senior Olympics begins with a free breakfast at 8 a.m. Monday, Sept 12, at Van Buren Township's Quirk Park with County Executive Bob Ficano, who has allocated more than \$10,000 for the four-day competition

Opening ceremonies will be held an hour later, with a banquet and awards at noon on Friday, Sept 16, at Wayne County Community College District, 9555 Haggerty in Van Buren Township

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Thief makes off with restaurant cash

A robber brandishing what witnesses told police was a small handgun made off with thousands of dollars in cash after burping employees of PF Chang's China Bistro on Haggerty in Northville Township Sunday

Witnesses told Northville Township Police the suspect displayed the gun and demanded cash from the store's safe The employees were able to free themselves and call 911 There were no injuries in the robbery

According to police, witnesses described the suspect as a light-skinned black male in his upper 20s to lower 30s, wearing a gray jump suit, dirty black baseball cap and gold-frame sunglasses The suspect's fate was covered

Crime Stoppers will give a reward up to \$1,000 for information leading to the suspect's arrest For more information, call Detective Sgt. Matthew Mayes, (248) 349-9400

Haggerty, on 5 Mile, on Barrington and on Oakview, downed wires at Powell and Napier, vehicle accident on Ann Arbor Road west of Lilley, vehicle fire on westbound M-14 at Ridge, industrial rescue run on Polaris, rescue runs to public buildings/schools on Ann Arbor Road, vehicle accident with wash-down at Ridge and N Territorial

■ Sunday, July 17 — Residential rescue runs on Sheridan, on Rocker and on Garland, rescue run at Grant and Jefferson, special run at 5 Mile and the CSX crossing

■ Saturday, July 16 — Residential rescue runs on Roe, on Winterset and on Haggerty, special run on eastbound M-14 at Sheldon, rescue run to a public building/school on Main, mutual-aid received run on Whittlesey Lake Drive

■ Friday, July 15 — Rescue run to a public building/school on Main, residential rescue runs on Emrick, on Top of the Hill, on Plymouth Road and on Timberline, open burning violation on Mill, fire on Ann Arbor Trail, vehicle accident with wash-down at Ridge and North Territorial

■ Thursday, July 14 — Vehicle accident with wash-down on eastbound M-14 at Haggerty, commercial rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road and on 5 Mile, vehicle accident on southbound I-275 at M-14, residential rescue run on Ann Arbor Trail

FIRE RUNS

The Plymouth Community Fire Department responded to the following runs during the period between July 13-19

■ Tuesday, July 19 — Commercial rescue run on Lilley, rescue runs to public buildings/schools on Main and on Sheldon, residential rescue runs on Micol, on Emerick, on Eastside, on Sheridan and on Glengary, rescue run on Beech Court

■ Monday, July 18 — Residential rescue runs on Sheridan on Amesbury, on

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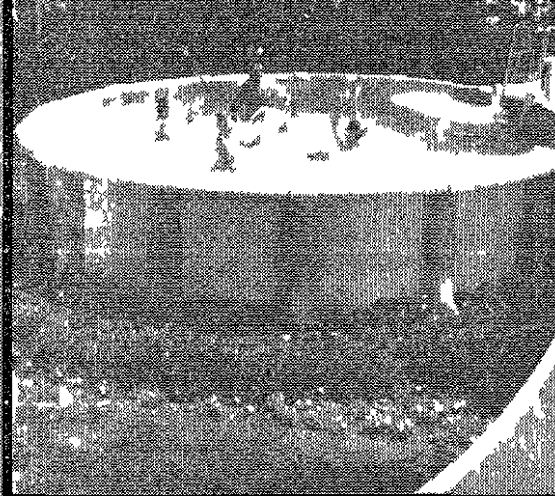
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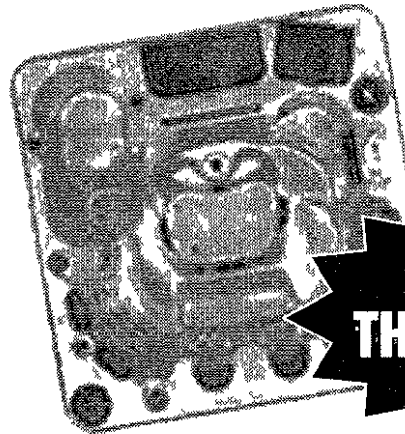
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447 for management of individual departments
 "One of the areas of growth I see for Paul is delegating more to his department heads and holding them more accountable, rather than trying to do everything himself," said Commissioner Michele Potter
 Sincock received the same 3-percent pay hike that commissioners gave non-union city employees on June 20, which totaled \$2,700. The bonus for this year added another \$2,700.

"It reflected that we're very pleased with the work he's doing during difficult times and the loss of personnel," said Commissioner David Workman. "He's constantly looking at the budget and looking for cost-saving measures."

Commissioners, who approved city budgets the past several years that were balanced with cost-reduction measures, don't believe they have to justify giving Sincock both a raise and bonus.

"None of the other employees work 24 hours a day, seven days a week," said Potter. "He gets calls in the middle of the night and is at all events to make sure they are running smoothly. You couldn't find another individual who would do that as city manager."

Pursell, who was the lone vote against giving non-union workers a pay raise, said he

MONEY TRAIN

Here's a list of comparables provided the Plymouth City Commission as it considered city manager Paul Sincock's review.

City/Manager's Township	Population	Salary
Northville (city)	6,459	\$97,219
Brighton	7,231	\$79,075
Plymouth	9,022	\$90,064
Howell	9,232	\$78,750
Farmington	10,423	\$94,090
Rochester	10,467	\$100,921
Clawson	12,732	\$83,403
Northville (twp)	21,036	\$110,240

didn't hesitate to give Sincock an increase.

"He drives what goes on at city hall," said Pursell. "He's driving the bus, and others have to get on the bus with him. In my personal opinion, some of them aren't."

Sincock, who grew up in Plymouth, began working for the city in 1974 as a seasonal landscape worker, and later the Cultural Center ice rink. He started his full-time tenure in 1978 when he was hired to work in the Parks and Recreation Department.

He's served as assistant parks and recreation director, before moving to city hall to work on special projects. He's been director of public safety, director of municipal services and acting city manager. Commissioners appointed Sincock city manager in March 2001.

"I'm pleased the commission continues to show faith in me and all of our employees," said Sincock. "We've got a great partnership going, and it's working out for the benefit of the community. I just feel blessed to be able to work in my hometown and be part of its continued growth and development," he said.

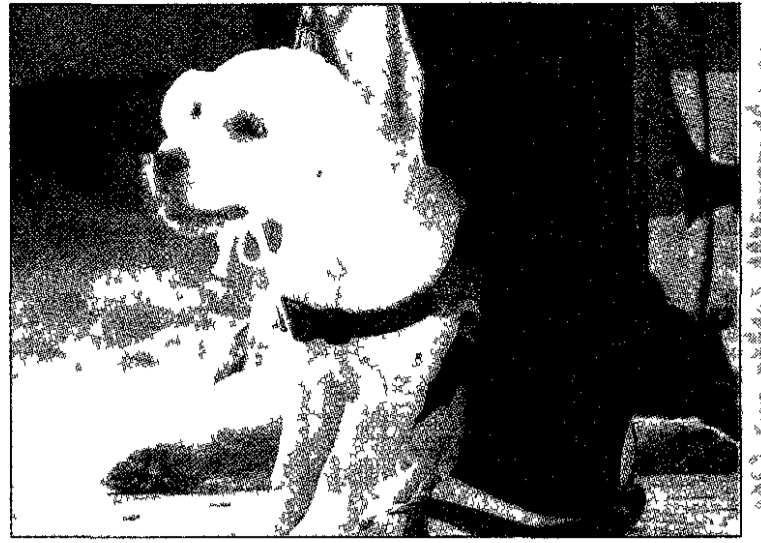
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DOGS

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While Paws With a Cause doesn't necessarily have a target fund-raising goal for the walk, Brooks said the group has raised an average of some \$11,000 per walk. To help raise money, the Plymouth-Canton Civitan Club hosts an all-you-can-eat breakfast (\$6 for adults, \$3 for children) at the Masonic Temple from 8-11 a.m. July 30.

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OUR VIEWS

Keep shortage an arm's length away

Medical officials are worried, and you should be, too. The American Red Cross is reporting that hospitals in southeastern Michigan are delaying surgeries, due to a critical shortage in the blood supply. So serious is it, that a state of emergency has been declared.

That shortage ought not be just a cause for worry, but a call to action. After all, there's only one way to resolve the shortage.

"We only get it from one source, and that's you," said Marie Mangus, spokeswoman for the Red Cross.

The situation is serious, she said. It's not a threat when she points out that, at some point, you or a relative or friend will likely need a blood transfusion. It's reality. If blood's not on the shelf, you could have a problem.

Mangus issued what amounts to a call to arms — yours. She had an interesting concept about the blood supply, saying that what we consider something very much our own belongs to the public, with the Red Cross being a conduit for distribution.

Once again we return to the village concept, whether it is raising a child, feeding the hungry or taking just one hour to sustain a life.

The problem is, less than 5 percent of those of us who are eligible actually donate blood. That has to change.

Summer is perennially a time when blood is in short supply, largely due to the vacation season. This year, the shortage started the week before Memorial Day. The actual emergency began July 5, the day after the holiday.

At one point last week, there was less than a day's supply of certain blood types to meet the area's need.

Enough talk, get busy. There are blood drives ongoing throughout southeastern Michigan. Those who are looking for a blood drive in their own community can visit www.givelife.org, or call (800) GIVE-LIFE.

There's an old saying that has been applied to driving habits, but it is more than appropriate to consider for those who are wavering over whether to donate blood: The life you save could be your own.

Parks millage deserves renewal

The Hines Park System is a treasure of western Wayne County. The county park, which runs from Dearborn to Northville, provides an oasis in our urban environment for bicycling, walking, soccer, baseball, nature studies and numerous special events from the annual Lightfest to the recently celebrated Mud Day.

On Tuesday, Aug. 2, voters will be asked to renew a .25-mill tax (less than \$20 a year for most homeowners) to improve and maintain the county parks system. We support this request.

Before the millage was first passed in the late 1990s, the parks system had fallen into disrepair. The money raised through the millage for capital improvements and maintenance has helped toward restoring Hines, Elizabeth Park on the Detroit River in Trenton and the historically significant Fort Wayne. Funds have also been used for local community projects, including \$400,000 for the Cherry Hill Village Theatre in Canton.

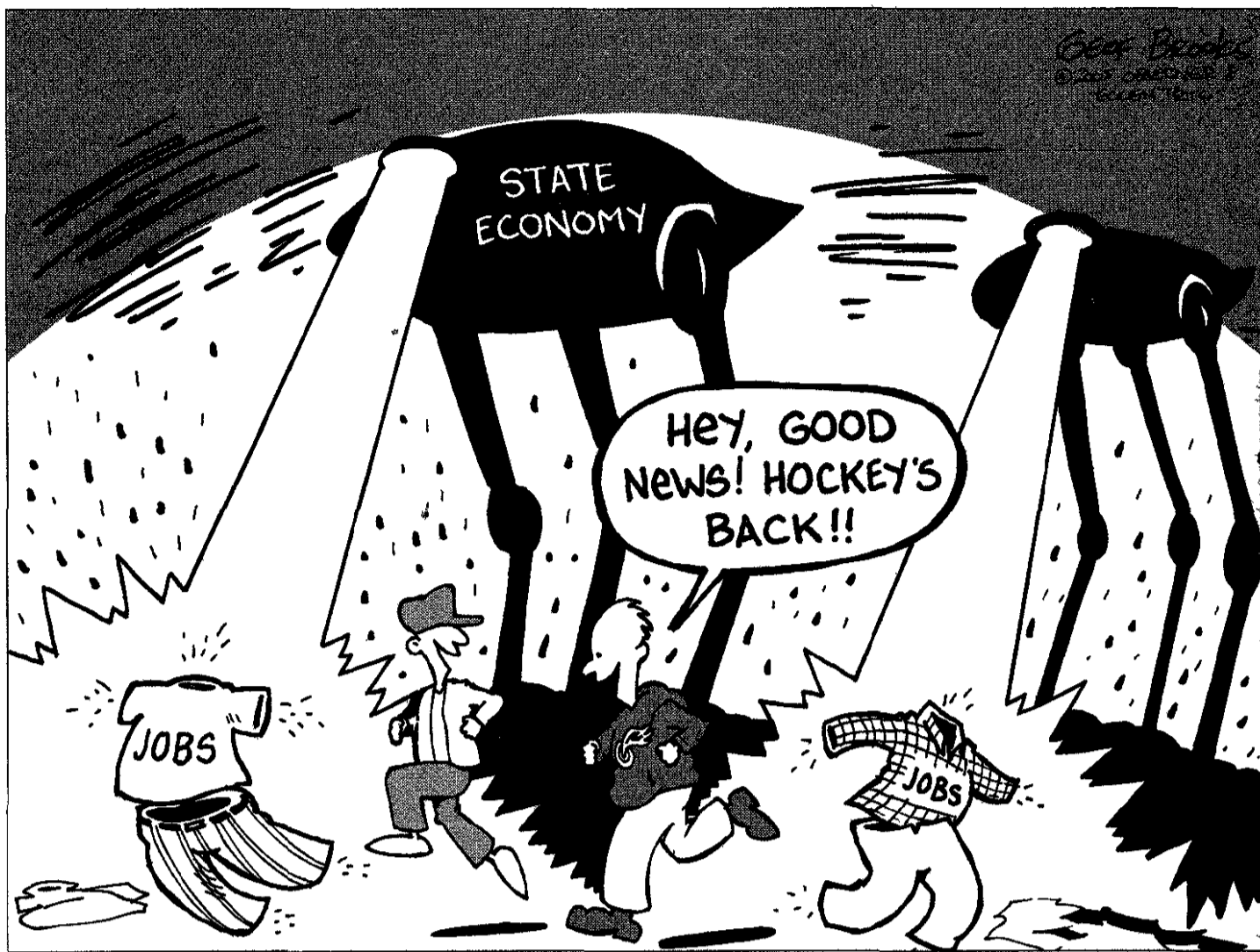
We share concerns about the timing of the election. Many local communities do not have an Aug. 2 primary. Detroit, which is expected to heavily favor the millage, has a hotly contested mayoral election. The timing seems to suggest a stealth attempt to win support. But, practically, the Aug. 2 date also gives the county an opportunity to return to voters and make its case again if the millage fails.

More importantly, we share concerns about the process used for funding local projects. The primary purpose of the millage is to fund the county park system, but commissioners have campaigned for local project funding. Suburban leaders complain that they haven't gotten a good return on local tax dollars in these allocations.

We support efforts by the administration of county Executive Robert Ficano to create a more equitable system for selecting projects through a special committee. We urge the county commission to back this effort.

We do not support a state House proposal by Rep. Phil LaJoy, R-Canton, mandating a 50-percent return on tax dollars to local communities. This is bad public policy, would threaten adequate funding for the county park system and would set a dangerous precedent for other county and regional taxes.

We recommend a YES vote on the county parks renewal millage.



LETTERS

Prophecy fulfilled

In a July 17, 2003, printing of a local newspaper, Steve Mann and Ron Griffith were both quoted talking about the abundance of taxes the township had accumulated and how they needed to spend it on the township hall.

Mann said "If we're not going to use it for something like this, then we need to start giving it back because taxes are too high." Griffith didn't argue the point, but suggested the project would incur costs that would lead to tax increase nonetheless, if in different clothing.

"In a few years this township board is going to come to you for a millage to pay for police and fire because it's more saleable than a millage for a hall," he said. "It's going to happen."

For years Steve Mann, Ron Edwards and Marilyn Massengill have all bragged about how they have increased the fund balance each year, and in the months leading up to the August primary and the Observer face-off they bragged about what good financial condition this township was in.

What happened to us over the past year for them to now need a tax increase of over a million dollars a year? Did they hire 10-15 more police and firemen? No. Have health benefits gone up drastically in one year? No. Did they lose half of their state-shared revenue? No, the State is giving them almost their full amount as of June 1.

Why has our fund balance shrunk down between \$2 million and \$2.5 million when we had over \$5 million in the fund just last year? I'll tell you what it is, the township hall is massively over-budget and the bond payments for the financing of the hall are coming due.

Richard Reaume, Marilyn Massengill, Ron Edwards, Kay Arnold and Steve Mann all have been willing to sacrifice our police and firemen to get this township hall built. They sold every Plymouth Township resident a bag of goods they couldn't produce and all those who voted for this project as well as those who didn't should be holding them accountable.

If a car salesman sold you a car for a set price and when you went to pick it up they told you it would be thousands more than what they told you, would you stand for that? I don't think so. Then why are we allowing our public officials to do it to us then?

The renewal is a must to have pass, but the increase is now in the hands of the voters of Plymouth Township. No matter which way this vote goes, I believe everyone should at least know what it's for.

Don Schnettler
Plymouth Township

Millage support

As a long time member of this community, and a proud teacher in the Plymouth-Canton community schools, I would like to urge support of the upcoming millage.

The Plymouth Township Police and

Fire Departments have always been an integral part of our school. They have presented many programs to benefit our children. We need to support these hard working men and women!

I am especially familiar with all that the Plymouth Township Police Department has done for my fifth-graders at Allen School throughout the years. We have been blessed with programs such as DARE and TEAM. We have had presentations relating to keeping children safe on bicycles, Truck or Treating on Halloween, using the Internet, being around strangers and so on.

Even the physical presence of these officers is important. The children recognize and trust them.

I urge support of this millage because I do not want to see any programs cut from these departments. We need all the help we can get in raising our children safely. We cannot afford any more programs disappearing. Please consider supporting your local police and fire departments by saying yes to the millage vote on Aug. 2. It is vital that we keep them intact.

Debbie Maloni
Plymouth

Prison a pit

The gals moved out of the prison on Five Mile months ago. Since then, the state has allowed the property which runs west to Ridge Road almost from Beck to deteriorate. It looks like the pit of Michigan.

I thought there was a buyer for that land. Obviously not, since no one cares for the mess of weeds for acres. The sign that says "no trespassing" must include the state, which is responsible for the clearing of those high, high weeds and the buildings which must be demolished.

Furthermore, the property north of that mess is also in the same condition from misuse. It is the shooting range for cops. I sure hope someone gets the (possibly toxic) lead out and clears these lands. It makes the area look like a dump! And since there is already a dump just down the road, one is enough.

Beatrice Scalise
Plymouth Township

Support campaign

In a world so riddled with constant changes, some not always for the best, I'd like to ask for your support in helping to prevent a change that could cause a major loss in one of our local communities. As a member of Blue Lake Township in Muskegon County and the state of Michigan, I fear for the possible loss of the treasured Owasippe Scout Reservation. I believe that this property is a national treasure and it is the oldest Scout camp in the United States of America — established in 1911.

I'm sure we can all agree that children are our future. It is our responsibility to

provide them with the appreciation, the learning experience and the existence of nature at its best. For it is today's children that will uphold tomorrow's environment. Owasippe Scout Reservation is one of the rare natural beauties left in the world today for this upcoming generation to use as their learning experience and to love as the generations before them have loved.

This camp and the surrounding area are unique, it is beauty at its simplest and it is truly irreplaceable. I plead for your support in helping to prevent this gift from being rezoned into an all too common residential classification.

We need your support of the nonprofit OOEC Campaign (Owasippe Outdoor Education Center). OOEC would continue to offer camping to the Scouts as well as business, church or other organizations that would like to camp at Owasippe. Our children need your support. Our children's future children need your support. Please help us to save the Owasippe Scout Reservation. Saving something so priceless can only be the right thing to do.

Sandra Henry
Livonia

Good advice

In (Hugh Gallagher's) recent piece on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, he referenced the story of six blind men asked to describe an elephant, and stated that "As journalists, we work to 'see' the complete elephant and understand it. We seek out different sources, we track down different points of view, but we also try to nail down facts."

(He should) follow his own good advice and present a balanced view regarding this conflict that includes fact checking and the Israeli perspective. Journalistic ethics demand it.

With a prayer for peace,

Karen Rosenfeld
Troy

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— Ruth Bonno, 102-year-old Plymouth resident, on the secret to her longevity

Our nation must get serious about alternative fuel source

The last time I filled up, I paid \$2.49 a gallon for regular gas. Sound familiar? We better get used to it. The price for a barrel of crude oil on the futures exchange is hovering around \$60, a record. To put that in perspective it was a mere \$22 only three years ago. Who knows what the price of gas will be this time next year? I wouldn't be surprised if it were closer to \$3.50 than \$2.50. But, regardless, one thing is clear: The price of oil is not likely to come down in the foreseeable future.

The reason why is no mystery — though it may not be what you think. Economics 101 teaches that prices reflect the intersection of supply and demand. If you consider only the surging economies of China and India, you have a pretty good idea of what's happening to demand. China, for example, has become the world's second largest importer of oil (after guess who?), and now accounts for 40 percent of the demand for petroleum on this planet.

And U.S. demand for oil continues to increase of course. As to supply, it's fragile. We all know about the unstable Saudi Arabia and Iraq are and how much the terrorists would like to destabilize oil production throughout the Middle East. The climate is uneasy in Nigeria, and Venezuela President Hugo Chavez is talking loudly about cutting the U.S. off the export list. We're pretty much out of oil in the continental U.S. (drilling in the wildlife refuge north of the Brooks Range in Alaska won't amount to much), while extracting oil inexpensively from the oil sands in Alberta is some years and some new technology away.

So what happens next summer if the price of gas at the pump gets to something like \$3.50 a gallon? General Motors and Ford are in deep trouble. The high profit parts of their product lines are gas-guzzling SUVs, and if the price of gas goes that high it's likely demand for them will fall off a big time. Now for the good news. Fortunately, there is something that can be done. It's called a sensible, non-oil based energy policy. Unfortunately, it's something about which the Bush administration, with its close ties to the oil industry, has done essentially nothing.

So it's interesting that Tim Leulette, head of Metaldyne Corp., a local (Plymouth-based) auto parts supplier, is calling for a serious national effort to convert 80 percent of U.S. vehicles to hydrogen fuel by 2020. He wants to finance the effort through a 10-cent per-gallon tax on gas beginning in 2008, rising by 10 cents each year through 2012, raising \$180 billion.

Leulette is one of the smartest folks in the auto industry around here, and he's not afraid to make his point in blunt terms.



Phil Power

In a speech he gave in January to the Automotive News World Congress, he called President Bush's \$1.2 billion Hydrogen Fuel Initiative 'a token gesture.'

The conversion to hydrogen offers all of us a golden opportunity to assess who is with us and who is not. The solution will not come from Washington, but enabling legislation and the money will. This is more important than sending a man to Mars, and it's more important than subsidizing tobacco farmers than particle beam weapons (and) than the \$15 billion Big Dig in Boston.

Tough stuff. And very, very good stuff. Leulette next wants to pull together key leaders from the auto, energy and finance industries this September to hammer out a coherent policy and put pressure on Washington.

That won't be easy. The auto industry is going through very tough times just now, and most are concentrated on short-term survival. And neither Congress nor the White House seems to be very interested in attending to the long-term interests of the country.

I should know, because a few years ago with a friend, Paul Dimond, I tried to do much the same thing without success. We figured it was time to do something to mark the fact that our own John Dingell was celebrating a milestone anniversary as a member of Congress. We figured a big-time research effort to accelerate the conversion of automobile power trains to hydrogen was important, and we proposed a joint government and auto industry laboratory be set up at the University of Michigan to get on with it.

Although he made clear he didn't want his name on it, Dingell was helpful, and U-M was interested. We had several meetings with representatives of the Big Three.

But, frankly, it was like wading through molasses. The auto companies, while never saying explicitly they didn't like the idea, made it clear they had other priorities — like short-term survival.

So we finally gave up. Leulette's got a rough ride ahead of him. Obviously, there are intrinsic problems with making hydrogen into the main fuel source for cars. How to generate the hydrogen in the first place? How to distribute and store it? How to use it safely and efficiently in a car?

But these are engineering and technical questions for which answers presumably can be found. Issues that require political will and risk-taking, both in the auto industry and in Washington, are often far more serious problems.

Maybe if gas gets to \$3.50 a gallon, our nation's leaders will hear the people squawking and actually do something. Maybe. But meanwhile, I'll be rooting for Tim Leulette, and I hope you will be, too.

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education in Michigan. He would be pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcn.net.

Trees don't stand a chance with today's development practices

Well, the massacre is now complete. Contractors have finally carted away several giant hills of wood chips, which were all that remained of a once-beautiful woodlot in Plymouth Township at Haggerty and Ann Arbor roads. Where two months ago there were giant towering oaks, maples and many other varieties of trees, today is a huge empty lot of dirt and weeds that will soon be converted into another strip mall.

Every time I drive past the site, which I must do every day, I just cringe when I think about what was lost. Obviously, I wasn't the only one that noticed. Plymouth Township officials have



Kurt Kuban

received a barrage of calls from angry residents, wondering why every tree on the site had to be cut down. Township officials have tried, somewhat in vain, to get the word out they had nothing to do with the clear-cut, and a court order on the land prevented them from using local zoning laws to stop the owner. But Plymouth Township is building its new township offices on part of the land that fronts Haggerty Road, and most of the trees were cleared from there as well.

I give credit to the people who have complained, but I wonder how long the anger will last. People in our region have just come to accept the build-at-all-costs mentality that is so pervasive in the development community, which has resulted in the destruction of most of our open space. Plymouth Township is a great example. In just a couple of generations, the township has been transformed from a largely farming community into a place that is nearly built out.

The same could be said for Canton Township, Westland and just about any other of the outer suburbs that ring metro Detroit. In just the last couple of years, Westland has lost most of its remaining undeveloped land. Subdivisions have sprung up at Newburgh just south of Joy and near Cherry Hill at John Hix. And developers have set their sights on the wooded lots at the corners of Newburgh and Cherry Hill — a CVS drugstore is already being built at the northwest corner, and for sale signs have been erected at the other corners. To make matters worse, some city officials have proposed tearing down the huge wooded acreage behind Central City Park, so they can build soccer fields and other recreation facilities, despite the fact the city has experienced difficult economic times of late.

The scene is no better in Canton, where subdivisions and other developments have been popping up like mushrooms on a forest floor, only in this case the forest has been cut

down to make room for them. Over at Koppernick Corporate Park, which is a stone's throw from Holiday Nature Preserve, large parcels of forest has been felled where owls once nested and other wildlife thrived.

Moving back to Plymouth Township, Plymouth-Canton Schools officials have decided to put up for sale 40 acres of open space known as Miller Woods. Despite the fact that the board of education in 1991 put a deed on part of the property to maintain it as a nature preserve for eternity, it now appears the deed may not be legal, which means the wetlands, meadows and wildlife on the site will probably someday be replaced by homes. And the public will have no say in the matter, because the school district needs the money and, once officials sell it, it will be up to the developer what happens to the property.

It seems ironic that there has been such a panic over the emerald ash borer epidemic, which has killed most of the ash trees in our area over the last couple of years. Public officials, from the local level all the way to Washington, have decried the devastation caused by the tiny bug that was imported from China. Millions of dollars have been pledged to stop the borer's spread.

Yet, you hear almost nothing about the destruction that developers do to woodlots like the one that was lost at Haggerty and Ann Arbor roads. Thousands of trees are chewed up by chainsaws and bulldozers, and somehow this is considered progress. And for what, another strip mall and supermarket? My guess is once the stores open up at the site, people won't think twice about shopping there, even some of the people who complained about the trees being cut down. And that's exactly what the developers bank on.

But remember this: Corporate America is very finicky. Corporate stores only want to be part of a community as long as it is profitable. For evidence of this, look no further than the shopping district around Westland Center, where a whole row of former big box stores sits vacant, and the open space they replaced is now only a distant memory.

Studies have shown that the rate of development in southeast Michigan is far outpacing its population growth. This is not healthy. Somehow, the development community needs to recognize this. In more progressive parts of the country, open space is something that is embraced as a community asset, one that attracts families and businesses.

It comes as no surprise, at least to this writer, that our region is struggling to keep its young professionals and their families

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Art by the yard

Outdoor decor gets personal

BY MARY KLEMIC
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A well-dressed garden or yard can be wearing more than flowers and plants. And tables and seats don't have to be the only furnishings in an outdoor room.

"Yard art has become a personal thing," said Lynette Walker, yard decor buyer at English Gardens.

"To one person a rusty gate might be the centerpiece."

With the wide variety of garden or yard art available, accenting an outdoor space can be similar to accenting a room or accessorizing an outfit.

Color coordinating is an example. "People are very into color coordinating now," said David Calcaterra, vice-president of Thrifty Florist.

Homeowners are getting away from planting flats of flowers of various hues, he said. Instead, they will plant flowers of all one color and ask for a custom door wreath to match.

"Gazing globes have become a big trend, and color gardens," Walker said.

People are making their gardens all one color, and putting in a gazing globe of the same color or a pot containing the same color, she said.

Toadstool gazing globes are new this year, available at English Gardens.

Outdoor Accents in Wayne features hand-blown gazing globes of many colors, as well as swirled and mirrored designs.

Also popular at the shop are tinted cement works, and pet memorials, proprietor Joe Paladino said.

STATUARY AND STONES

Statuary is a favorite trend, in concrete, bronze and other materials. Statues of creatures include flamingoes and hedgehogs, and fairies and angels as well.

"Frogs are number one," Walker said.

"Angels are all very trendy and actually getting bigger," Calcaterra said. "At one point they were only 15 inches tall, now they go up to 36 inches."

Smith & Hawken ducks made of teak are popular, said Jenny

Duggan, manager of the store at The Village of Rochester Hills. The whimsical, web-footed carvings are made of reclaimed teak and bamboo root, and handpainted to have an antique look.

Zinc finials are new garden art items at Watch Hill Home Interiors in Birmingham, owner Julie Supanich said. These are blue-gray geometric forms.



COURTESY OF ENGLISH GARDENS

This bronze statue from English Gardens is an example of outdoor decor.



IMAGE COURTESY OF SMITH & HAWKEN

Teak ducks from Smith & Hawken are popular items.



COURTESY OF THRIFTY FLORIST

Flip-flops are favorite shapes for stepping stones.



Containers are a trend in decorating the yard or garden. Placing pots of flowers among shrubs can add texture to the landscape.



COURTESY OF PHILLIPS LANDSCAPING

Boulders and brick pavers are some of the elements available to decorate a yard and garden.

PLEASE SEE ART, B3

Accents

Made in the shade

If you're like many homeowners, your decision to buy your house was influenced by an attractive deck or patio. If that was the case, you might consider that area uncomfortable at times because of the hot, glaring sun.

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Installation can be a simple job for any do-it-yourselfer. All the aluminum and vinyl pieces are pre-cut and pre-drilled for quick assembly, and the canopies themselves are pre-assembled. For those who prefer it, a professional installation service is also available.

The canopy sections come in a variety of outdoor decorator fabrics, including ShadeTree's SunBrella commercial-grade awning fabrics. There are even retractable canopy kits that can be added to existing pergolas or arbors to transform them into a great source of shade.

For more information on elegant shade systems for residential and commercial use, call (800) 894-3801 or visit www.shade-treecanopies.com.

Children's day

Teach your children well, so the song written by Graham Nash goes.

Your children can learn about nature and gardening at Children's Garden Day 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday, July 23, at Michigan State University Hidden Lake Gardens, 6280 W. Munger Road in Tipton.

Cost is \$3. Food will be available. Come dressed to express your creative side by painting on a giant mural wall or keep cool on a sprinkler hill. Call (517) 431-2060 for information.

This annual event features fun-filled activities. Children learn from hands-on activities and demonstrations about wildlife, nature and plants. A wagon ride to a corn maze, a pond life exhibit, farm animals on display, stories, music, craft activities and Paul McCormick and his Class Room Critters are included.

Hidden Lake Gardens features a 755-acre botanical garden including a greenhouse complex, lake, picnic area, 6-mile paved scenic drive.

Adventurous listeners can enjoy music services



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

So I'm listening to the radio the other day - the Internet radio, of course - when I hear a song I like. One click later and it's downloading to my PC, a new addition to my music library.

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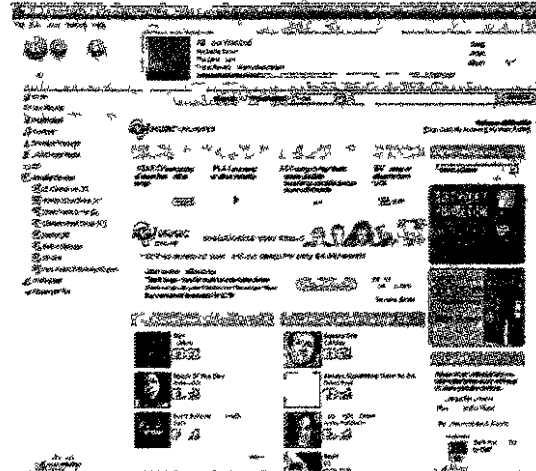
Welcome to the next phase of the digital music revolution. If you thought 99-cent song downloads were pretty cool, wait until you see what you can get for as little as \$5 per month.

Napster and Yahoo are among the latest music services to offer a subscription option. For a nominal monthly fee, you get complete access to their million-plus song

libraries. By "access" I mean that you can instantly play or download any song or album. Go ahead, be greedy. It's like someone gave you the keys to Harmony House and said, "Take whatever you want."

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(You'll want to check with both services to see what players are supported, the list is small but growing. Unfortunately, neither one works with iPods, you'll have to wait until Apple launches an iTunes sub-



With an inexpensive subscription to Yahoo Music Unlimited, you get access to over a million songs.

PLEASE SEE BROIDA, B4

Paint woes may be caused by bad air flow

You might notice during the warm summer months the usual wear-and-tear on your walls. But peeling, cracking, blistering paint and mildew problems are probably not problems with the paint.

Most paints today, whether water-based or oil-based, have been formulated to adhere to just about all household surfaces they are intended to cover. Most of the paint problems we see today are related to moisture in the painted material.

Weatherization techniques have improved to help make homes sealed tight. And all this weather sealing holds moisture in our homes. If ventilation isn't adequate, the moisture created will likely escape through the outside painted surfaces.

It's this moisture that causes most paint problems.

DIAGNOSE AND REPAIR

If peeling, blistering of paint or mildew is located in one area, particularly near moist rooms such as baths or laundries, a vapor barrier and better ventilation in that room will likely help.

A ducted ventilation fan, which a do-it-yourselfer can install, should help. Even opening a window will greatly reduce the amount of moisture in the room. Adding vapor barrier to an existing home can be difficult and costly.

A good alternative is painting the wall with two coats of non-permeable, oil-based paint. If that paint doesn't match the room decor, the wall can be repainted in the desired color and style.

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MORE PROBLEMS

The most common causes of paint problems on soffits is moisture from the inside being trapped or rainwater overflowing from blocked or leaking gutters.

Leaks and clogs in gutters and downspouts are most obvious during a heavy rain. These areas need to be cleaned or repaired as needed. Once that is done, look to see that the soffits are drying out and watch for more gutter problems during the next rain.

Moisture trapped in the soffits can mean more than just paint problems, it also can indicate moisture trapped in the attic space, which again is caused by inadequate ventilation. Inadequate attic ventilation can cause mold and rot in the attic and ice dam problems in the winter.

Installing soffits vents, available at

home improvement stores, is a start to clearing the moisture out of the attic space, but they do little good without having a way to release or exhaust the air they take in. Installing ridge vents (or some other type of vent near the peak of the roof) can release that air.

The total net free ventilating area shall not be less than 1-to-150 of the area of the space ventilated, according to the 2003 Michigan Residential Code. That code requirement means that for every 150 square feet of ceiling area of the house you need 1 square foot of free venting area. Remember, codes are minimum standards and in this case more venting is better.

If you are uncomfortable working on a roof, have a professional do this job.

PREPARE THE JOB

Once you have found and corrected the problem, it's time to prepare for painting. Scrape all loose and flaking paint from the surface.

Allow the surface to dry for a few days if necessary. Fill any surface imperfections as required and sand.

Mildew, which is a fungus, is best removed by using a solution of one part chlorine to four parts water or a commercial mildew remover and stiff scrub brush. Be sure to wear rubber gloves and eye protection while cleaning. If the mildew persists you may have to add a mildewicide, available at home improvement or paint stores, to your paint.

Prime and paint according to the instructions on the paint can.

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.



Ask Dad

Harry Jachym

HOME CALENDAR

Modernism

Edsel & Eleanor Ford House president John Franklin Miller takes visitors on personally guided tours of the estate and discusses topics presented for the first time during Twilight Tours at the estate this summer.

Ford House is at 1100 Lake Shore Road in Grosse Pointe Shores. All Twilight Tours begin at 6:45 p.m. Reservations are required. Call (313) 884-4222.

The tour Thursday, July 28 includes refreshments on the home's terrace overlooking Lake St. Clair. Tour cost is \$15 per person.

Modernism: On the Cutting Edge will be the topic July 28. In the early 20th century Edsel Ford was a trendsetter when it came to modern design.

His relationship with industrial designer Walter Dorwin Teague, who designed Ford showrooms with sleek interiors and simple furniture, led to Teague designed interiors and furniture at Ford House.

Miller will explore these visionary designers of the era and Ford's influence on streamlining as well as his role with the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

For more information about Ford House, visit www.fordhouse.org or call (313) 884-4222.

Kids pillow

Haberman Fabrics, 905 S. Main in Royal Oak, offers a variety of home decor classes for different sewing skill levels.

Call (248) 541-0010, e-mail ContactUs@HabermanFabrics.com or visit www.HabermanFabrics.com. In Kids Pillow Monday, Wednesday, July 25-27, youngsters ages 8-11 will learn fundamental sewing skills and sewing machine basics while making a simple square pillow. Fee is \$60. See the supply list for notions and supplies (all additional materials can be

bought at the end of the first class session).

Participants will have fun learning about fabrics, applying trims and construction.

Cranbrook House and Gardens

Visit Cranbrook House, Detroit's oldest manor home and its glorious gardens during Thursdays at Cranbrook or Sundays at Cranbrook. Cranbrook House is the former residence of Cranbrook founders George and Ellen Booth.

It is at 380 Lone Pine Road between Lahser and Cranbrook roads in Bloomfield Hills.

Thursdays at Cranbrook will continue until Oct. 27, offering guided tours of historic Cranbrook House at 11 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Thursdays.

Fee for the Thursday tour is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors. Stay after or come early for a salad buffet lunch at noon in the Oak Room for an additional \$15.

Now through Oct. 30, take a guided tour at 3 p.m. Sundays with a garden visit. Fee for the Sunday tour is \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors. Reservations for the lunch and tours are required.

Call (248) 645-3149. Now to Labor Day, the gardens are open to the public 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. In September, they will be open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekends only. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors. Pre-arranged guided tours are available to groups.

Cranbrook House was designed by famed architect Albert Kahn in 1908. The English Arts and Crafts style home is filled with rare antiques and surrounded by more than 40 acres of beautiful gardens, fountains and sculpture.

GARDEN WALK CALENDAR

Garden City

The Garden City Garden Club will host the 12th annual Garden City Garden Walk 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 23, rain or shine. Tickets are \$6 and may be bought at Garden City City Hall, 6000 Middlebelt at Barson's Greenhouse, 6414 N. Merriman, and from club members. Tickets will also

be sold at each home and the Garden City Historical Museum, 6221 Merriman. Saturday. For more information, call Paula Reich at (734) 525-2524 or Cheryl Guck at (734) 525-7299. The self-guided tour will feature seven beautiful gardens, including five ponds. Refreshments will be available along with a bake sale at one home.

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ART

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Steeple-shaped planters - with a touch of gothic style - have been well received at the store this year

Flip-flops are favorite shapes and images for stepping stones and flags, Calcaterra said

Containers are another trend Placing pots of flowers among shrubs adds texture to a landscape, Calcaterra said He said the pots should be level

"You wouldn't hang a picture crooked on your wall," Calcaterra said "Why have a pot crooked (in your yard)?"

WATER ELEMENTS

Water features are drawing attention - anything from a large fountain to a small tabletop fountain," Walker said

Japanese style fountains are popular, said Stephanie Nothnagle at C G Wilkop Landscape and Garden Center in Troy

The types of fountains are numerous Concrete, terracotta and copper are among their materials

Just a few examples are stately monumental styles, and fountains with staggered tiers of cubes, dishes or other shapes

Sculptures that serve as sprinklers are functional as well as artistic

OTHER FEATURES

"Trends are creating outdoor rooms incorporating indoor elements, Walker said

These include upholstered furniture, coffee tables and even outdoor chandeliers, she said

New at English Gardens is a patio table tent Netting drops from this umbrella design, creating an enclosed space, about 12 by 8 feet

"You can sit there bug free," Walker said

Outdoor lights come in a wide range of shapes, including butterfly, pyramid and orchid at Smith & Hawken

Benches and arbors are among other favorite outdoor decor, as are firepits, low basins that hold firewood and can be adapted for cooking with the addition of a grill

Ponds and brick pavers are some of the popular landscape-related items, says Mike Lollo, partner with Chuck Phillips and Mike Phillips of Phillips Landscaping in Westland

Tumbled pavers, which have an Old World look, grundy stone and limestone are also going strong

Brick pavers are a hot item, Lollo said "People are using them in patios, sidewalks, driveways"

Boulders are being used as natural accents, he said

YARD ART SOURCES

■ English Gardens in West Bloomfield (248) 851 7506 Royal Oak/Troy (248) 280 9500 Dearborn Heights (313) 278 4433 Ann Arbor (734) 332 7900 Clinton Township (586) 286 6100 Eastpointe (586) 771 4200

■ Thrifty Florist in Birmingham (248) 203 2980 Livonia (734) 421 9250 Westland (734) 467 5144 Ann Arbor (734) 973 5585 Huntington Woods (248) 544 0850 For other locations visit www.thriftyflorist.com or call (888) 847 4589

■ Outdoor Accents (734) 326 1380

■ Smith & Hawken in Birmingham (248) 593 6010 in Rochester Hills (248) 375 1976 Authorized retailers include Plymouth Nursery (734) 453 0155 and English Gardens

■ Watch Hill Home Interiors (248) 644 7445

■ C G Wilkop Landscape and Garden Center (248) 828 0030

■ Phillips Landscaping (734) 422 4790

"People are getting away from timbers

Phillips Landscaping will draw up plans for the customer to help with landscaping ideas

However you accent your yard or garden, you can go overboard, Calcaterra said Go slow - decide what you want and build it over time, he said "You can really overdo"

GARDEN CALENDAR

Hydrangeas

Goldner Walsh Nursery in Pontiac presents Our Neck of the Woods a series of events designed to educate and to inspire the vision of your landscape Hooray for Hydrangeas! will take place 1 p m Saturday July 23 Join nursery manager Joel Miller and the Goldner Walsh landscape design team Cost is \$10 and reservations are required Proceeds benefit the Belle Isle Conservatory For more information or reservations call (248) 332 6430 Goldner Walsh Nursery is at 559 Orchard Lake Road 1 mile east of Telegraph Saturday's presentation is designed to help you discover and select varieties of hydrangeas that are best for your landscape and explain what maintenance is necessary to get the flowers you relish in your garden or for cutting and enjoying indoors Goldner Walsh carries more than 20 different signature varieties of hydrangeas its most popular type of shrub New varieties include Big Daddy a macrophylla with enormous flowers Miranda a variegated climbing hydrangea Little Lamb a dwarf paniculata for a mixed border and a collection of Japanese hydrangeas

Pond design

Pond 101 a presentation by the Michigan Koi and Pond Club Southeast

Chapter on pond design basics is scheduled 1 p m Saturday July 23 at the Bloomfield Township Library Telegraph and Lone Pine Road For more information call Bruce Modetz at (734) 425 7490 or Mike Paddy at (248) 646 7675 or visit www.mkpc.se.com

Rose programs

Roger and Nancy Lindley owners of Great Lakes Roses present a series of programs open to the public Each presentation lasts about 1 1/2 hours Dress for the weather 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 flyer A slide lecture and garden tour Hardy Roses from the North Canadian Explorer and Morden Parkland Roses will take place 1 p m Saturday July 23 Admission is free and reservations aren't required Rose Propagation Workshop will take place 1 p m Saturday July 30 In this popular hands on workshop participants will prepare and root roses from cuttings and learn other techniques for easy at home propagation Reservations are required for the workshop

The \$25 material fee will be collected at the door

Pests

English Gardens hosts free seminars 7 p m Wednesdays at all six stores including locations in West Bloomfield (phone (248) 851 7506) Dearborn Heights (phone (313) 278 4433) Royal Oak/Troy (phone (248) 280 9500) and Ann Arbor (phone (734) 332 7900) Pests and Other Plant Problems will be the topic July 27 Learn about some common problems that occur during the gardening season Solutions will be provided Perennial Gardening will be the topic Aug 3

School of Gardening

The Michigan School of Gardening offers a variety of classes for different levels at 29429 Six Mile in Livonia just west of Middlebelt and at Goldner Walsh Nursery 559 Orchard Lake Road in Pontiac north of Square Lake Road and east of Telegraph Register early Seating is limited Some classes have pre requisites For more information call (248) 4 GARDEN or visit www.michigangardening.com The schedule includes Vegetable Garden Pests two sessions beginning Thursday July 28 in Livonia (fee is \$72) Fruit Tree and Shrub Pests Mondays Aug 1 8 in Livonia (\$84) and Garden Design five Wednesdays beginning Aug 10 in Livonia (\$168)

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 (scripton service)
 In case it's not obvious, the one thing you can do with downloaded songs is burn them to CDs. For that you'll have to purchase them outright, usually at the standard 99-cent rate (Yahoo sells them for 79 cents).

Basically, you're renting music. As long as you keep paying the monthly fee, you can stream, download, and listen to your heart's content. Cancel your subscription and the music stops (save for the stuff you own, of course).

Many people I talk to wrinkle their noses at this idea. Seems we're OK renting books at the library and movies at Blockbuster, but we're accustomed to owning our music.

This will change. I've spent weeks using Napster To Go and Yahoo Music Unlimited, and

they're both fantastic. Once you get a taste of unlimited access to music, it's hard to give up. This is especially true if you like music on the go. Grab a compatible player like the Dell DJ 30 and you can carry upwards of 15,000 songs in your pocket.

In fact, Dell is currently offering a \$50 rebate when you buy a DJ and four months of Napster To Go.

The latter costs \$14.95 per month. Yahoo costs considerably less: \$6.99 per month, or \$4.99 if you pay for a year in advance.

Both services offer free trials. Try them!

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Broida of Commerce Township is the co-author of numerous books, including *How to Do Everything with Musicmatch* and *101 Killer Apps for Your Palm Handheld*. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@gmail.com.

MARKET PLACE

Sample Sale time

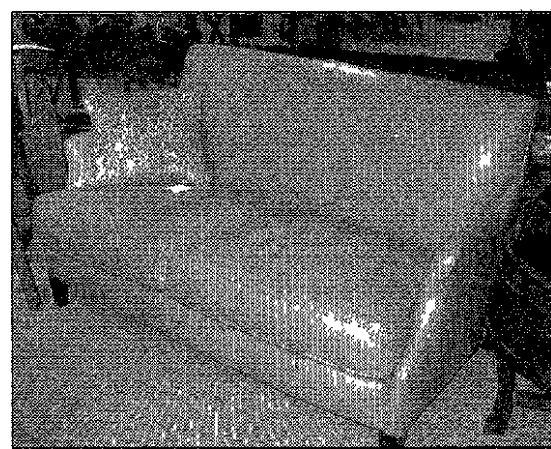
Michigan Design Center's Semi-annual Floor Sample and Clearance Sale will be open to the public 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, July 29 and 30.

The MDC is usually open only to interior designers and their clients. This event gives the public an opportunity to shop MDC showrooms offering semi-annual sale savings of 60 to 70 percent off list prices on hundreds of floor sample items, including furniture, Oriental rugs, lighting, original art, accessories and ceramic tile.

Examples are the entertainment center and loveseat shown here. Part of the In Concert grouping by Henredon Furniture, the entertainment center was originally \$7,824. Its Sample Sale price is \$3,129.60.

Featured in Nile Honey Leather, the Cisco Tribeca loveseat had a list price of \$3,669. Its Sample Sale price is \$1,459.

Admission is \$7, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit Gilda's Club, which provides free emotional and social support to cancer patients and their families and friends. Popular design seminars will be offered July 30 only, at no additional charge for sample sale participants. Topics include: I'm Dreaming of a Beautiful Kitchen 1 and 3 p.m. and WOW Window Treatments: Answers to Your Window Decorating Dilemmas 2 p.m.



During the sale, MDC's Designer on Call interior designers will be available to answer questions on both days. Designer On Call is an exclusive MDC design program that enables consumers to work one-on-one with a professional interior designer and gain access to interior furnishings from premier manufacturers across the globe, all under one roof at MDC. Merchandise will be sold as is, and all sales are final. Payment may be made by cash or check, and most showrooms will also be accepting Visa or MasterCard. A delivery service will be available and arrangements can be made at the customer's expense. Delivery must be accepted within 10 days of purchase. Michigan Design Center is at 1700 Stutz Drive in Troy, north off Maple (15 Mile) between Crooks and Coolidge. Visit MDC's Web site at www.michigandesign.com.

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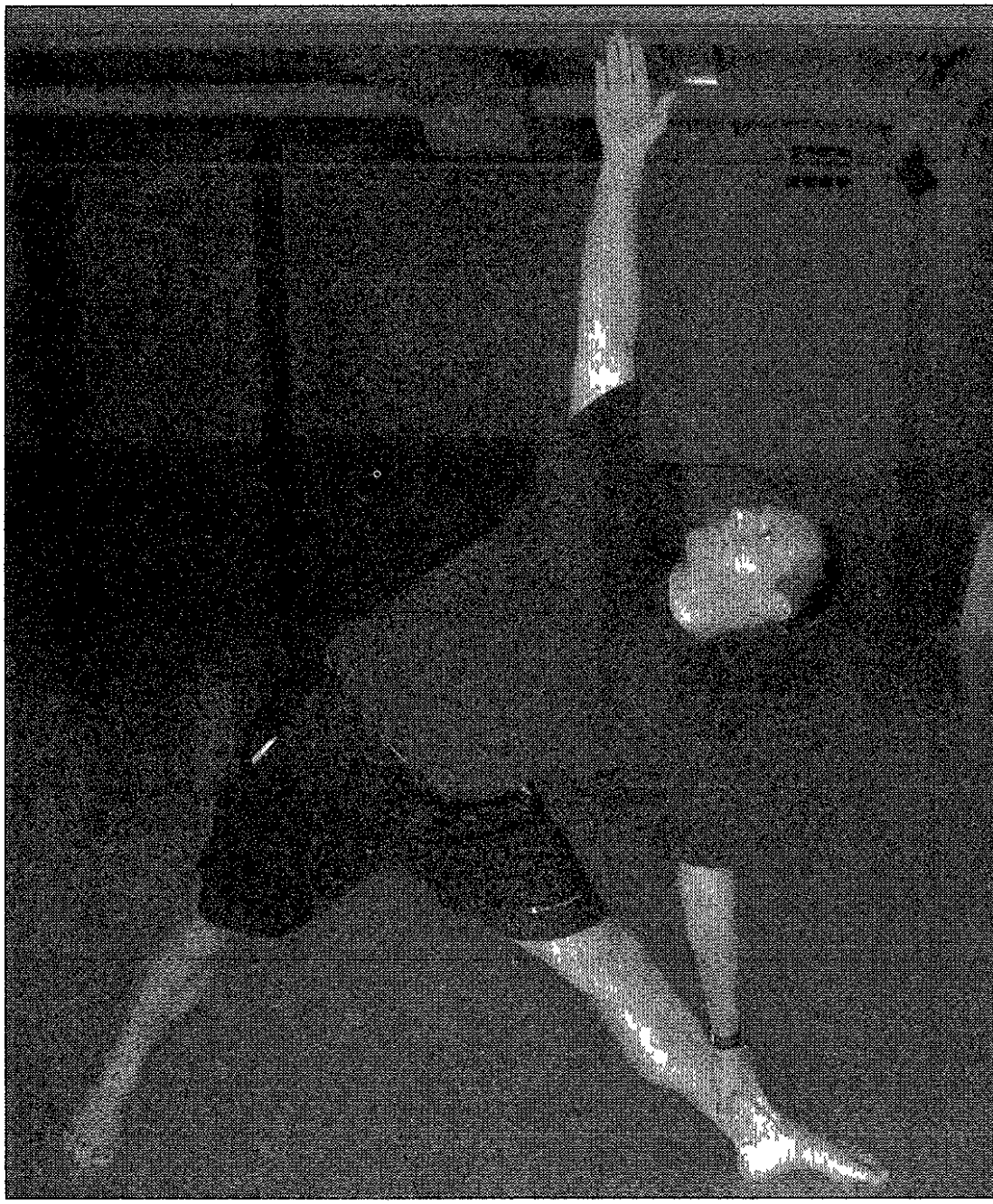
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Jason Hulshof says since he has been practicing yoga, his life has become better in every way

Yoga helps unify body, mind and spirit

BY CAROLE MCGRAW
CORRESPONDENT

People often wonder if yoga is beneficial to the mind and spirit, as well as the body. Some even ask if it is a religion. Jason Hulshof, a master teacher of yoga at the Center for Yoga in Birmingham, answered questions about yoga and spirituality in a recent interview. The Center for Yoga also has locations in Rochester Hills, Southfield and West Bloomfield.



'Yoga takes one to an altered state ... Unhappiness is replaced by happiness.'

Jason Hulshof
master teacher of yoga

Jason, can you give us a little information about your own background and training?
I graduated from Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D. in 2000 with a degree in English. I was a wrestler in college and now I play basketball in my free time. I got interested in yoga in college and joined the Center for Yoga in 2000. I've attended teacher training in yoga for five years and now conduct between 15 and 20 various yoga classes a week.

Can you define yoga?
Yoga is a discipline used to heal the body and mind. It attempts to help the student live a harmonious ethical life to be healthy and strong and to perfect the breath.

How does it relate to the mind or spiritual aspects of the participant?
It uses body posture and breathing to move beyond the physical. It also concentrates on mental mastery by using meditation to direct mental energies where the participant wants them to go.

Is yoga a religion in any sense of the word?
The Latin root of the word religion comes from re-bond, which means having a sense of life tied together, not alienated from the self, others and the truths of life. In this way, it is a religion. But it is not a religion in the sense that one has to give up their own beliefs or rituals that are meaningful to them. Yoga is meant to make a Christian a

better Christian, a Jew a better Jew, a Muslim a better Muslim and a non-believer a better non-believer.

Is there a spirituality connected with yoga?
Yes, but it's not dogmatic. The participant's own metaphors, terms, understanding, lift him into a wonderful, transcendent experience.

Does yoga express a connection with a god?
Its origin is in the spirituality of the East. But it is very non-sectarian and tied to universal truths.

How old is the practice of yoga?
Yoga began in India approximately 5,000 years ago. The first written text of yoga scriptures are the Hindu Vedas—the ancient Hindu scriptures. It can be separated from the formal Hindu religion because it concentrates on personal growth rather than dogma.

Does yoga go hand in hand with meditation?
Yes. Yoga emphasizes focus on breathing. It is a physical way of meditating. Yoga postures enable the participant to strengthen and stabilize his mind. There's a good book on this subject called *The Relaxation Response* by Dr. Herbert Benson.

Is yoga or meditation designed to transport a person to an "altered state"?
Yes. Yoga takes the participant to an altered state. Tension is relaxed.

unhappiness is replaced by happiness. The body can be controlled by the will. For example, many of us have heard the story of a small, panicked woman lifting a car when she sees her child under a wheel. Her very will alters her physical state. The mastery of mind can cause the body to do extraordinary things.

What is the meaning of the conclusion of a yoga session when the yogi says, "The light in me honors the light in you... Namaste"?
It simply is a gesture of respect. I respect you. I want you to be happy. I have good will for you. Kind of like Aloha.

Why were you attracted to yoga?
I went through a wild stage in my life. During that time, I was attracted to a yoga book. I got immersed in it and thought I would try it out. I learned the postures from the book and when I practiced them, my life turned around.

How has yoga changed your life?
My life is better in every imaginable way. I'm physically healthier. My emotional ties to my family and friends have grown. My ethical commitments are stronger. I've developed a creativity and passion for my work because I practice yoga daily. I have a strong connection to God and ultimate truths are much more real to me. I also eat healthier food and make healthier choices in what I read and watch on DVDs.

Pastor's awed by her ordination, chance to serve

A few years ago, Kristal Smith began to feel a call to become a pastor. She ended up enrolling at Princeton Theological Seminary in New Jersey.

Smith became the Rev. Kristal Taylor Smith July 10 at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Canton, where she and her family had worshiped before moving to New Jersey.

"We were baptized here on the same day as our oldest daughter," said Smith, 36, mom to children ages 9, 8 and 2. "We were brand-new Christians."

She felt the call for about eight months and decided to pursue seminary studies. She and husband Dave had their youngest child while Smith was in seminary.

The youngest theology stu-

dent ever, she said with a smile. "I took him to class with me."

She returned to Geneva July 10 for her ordination following graduation. Smith will serve as associate pastor at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Lebanon, Pa., working with the senior pastor with a focus on lay ministry and small groups.

Smith described her feelings upon ordination as humbled, awed, excited, "but trusting in God." The Pennsylvania position began July 18.

Her Princeton class was about 60/40 men and women, although she was in the upper quarter of age, with more students recent college graduates. The Presbyterian denomination has ordained women for nearly 50 years.

—Julie Brown



Heather Doering (right) hugs the newly ordained Rev. Kristal Smith. Doering was Smith's liaison from Geneva's session.

RELIGION CALENDAR

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JULY

- Jerusalem Marketplace**
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church of Livonia will be transformed into Jerusalem Marketplace for Vacation Bible School July 25-29. For kids K-6 grades and adults. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and the program continues 6:30-8:30 p.m. The church is at 16360 Hubbard Road. For information call (734) 421-8451.
- Lighthouse cafe**
Single Point Ministries presents a coffeehouse for age 30 and older 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 22, in Knox Hall at Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 40000 Six Mile Northville. For \$5 you get games, fellowship, music, snack and specialty coffees. Free childcare. Call (248) 374-5920.
- Vacation Bible school**
Ranch House Kids theme 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Thursday, July 25-28, at Newburgh United Methodist Church, 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Cost \$10 per child. Please register by July 17. Call (734) 422-0149 or visit www.newburghumc.org.
- Serengeti Trek**
Vacation Bible school 9 a.m. Monday-Friday, July 25-29, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 39020 Five Mile, Livonia. Call (734) 464-0211.
- Soccer camp**
6:30-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, July 25-28, an opportunity for the beginning and intermediate soccer player (boys and girls ages 5-11) to go to a soccer camp to learn and develop the proper skills and knowledge of the game. The mini camp offers small group instruction allowing individual attention for each and every player at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road (north of I-96), Livonia. Cost is \$20, includes instruction, snacks, and a soccer ball and water bottle to take home. Fee payable at the

time of registration. Students may bring their own soccer ball or shin guards if desired. Items not required to enroll. For more information, call Linda Hollman at (734) 522-6830.

Conversational English is now being offered 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington, north of I-96, Livonia. No charge. For interested adults of all ages/backgrounds, to register call (734) 525-0191 or (734) 522-6830.

Mobile health fair
Garden City Presbyterian Church sponsors a fee mobile health fair in conjunction with the Presbytery of Detroit 1-6 p.m. Wednesday, July 27, at Garden City Park, corner of Cherry Hill and Merriman roads. For more information call (734) 421-7620.

Men's seminar
All men are invited to attend Dad's That Make a Difference, a seminar based on materials from Man in the Mirror Ministries, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, north of I-96, Livonia. Fee is \$15. To register or for more information call (734) 522-6830.

Coffee house concert
Featuring singer/songwriter Willard Barth, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 30, at Unity of Livonia, 28660 Five Mile between Inkster and Middlebelt. Cost is \$10. Call (734) 421-1760.

Worship services
All are welcome to attend worship services 10 a.m. Sundays at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Five Mile and Inkster roads, Livonia. For more information call (734) 422-1470.

UPCOMING

Circus Spectacular
A Vacation Bible School 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, Aug. 15, for age 4 to students completing fifth grade at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Livonia. Cost is \$18 for first child, \$30 for two kids, \$40 for 3 kids and includes a music CD. To register, call (248) 442-0307.

Prayer Safari
Aldersgate United Methodist Church is adding a twist to the African animal theme by calling their Bible school a Prayer Safari 9 a.m. to noon Monday-Friday, Aug. 15. The safari journey introduces kids to interesting lions, giraffes, zebras, rhinos, and elephants while leading them to Jesus. Donations accepted for the Redford school. Call (313) 937-3170.

Neighborhood Bible Time
The Youth Crusade/Vacation Bible School takes place 6:30-9 p.m. Sunday-Friday, Aug. 17, for age 4 through sixth grade at United Baptist Church, 236 Middlebelt, Garden City. Call (734) 421-2373.

Warrior Wars
For seventh through 12th grade students 6:30-9 p.m. Sunday, Friday, Aug. 7-12, at United Baptist Church, 236 Middlebelt, Garden City. Call (734) 421-2373.

Circle G Ranch
First Congregational Church on Wayne Road, between east and westbound Michigan Avenue, turns the sanctuary into the Circle G Ranch 9 a.m. to noon, Aug. 8-12. No charge. Call (734) 729-7550. The school kicks off with an open door rodeo with horses, roping and barrel race 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 7.

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Crafters wanted
For Christmas Craft Show 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, hand made crafts only at St. Thomas a Becket Church, 555 South Lilley, Canton. All interested crafters call (734) 981-1333.

English classes
Conversational English as a Second Language classes are being offered for adults of all ages and backgrounds 7-8:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 14175 Farmington Road, Livonia. Tutors will work on a one-to-one ratio to help students better understand and speak the English language. No charge. To register call (734) 525-0191 or (734) 522-6830.



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DELORES M. GORCZYCA
Age 74, July 18, 2005. Beloved wife of Eugene. Loving mother of Peggy (Doug) Sund, Debbie (Dennis) Gauthier, Cindy (William) Schueler, Gene A. (Karla) Kathy (Paul) Keyser and Robert (Joanne) Dearest daughter of Celia Ginski. Sister of Cecelia Daily, Joann Mason and Raymond Ginski and the late Eleanor LeBlanc. Also survived by 13 grandchildren. A celebration of her life will be held at R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, 15451 Farmington Rd., Livonia, Friday from 6-9 p.m. with Rosary Service at 7 p.m. A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh, Livonia, Saturday at 9:30 a.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to Angela Hospice.

ERIK J. PEKKALA
Age 43, passed away on July 18, 2005. He was born on September 5, 1961 in Detroit, MI. He was a resident of Birmingham for 7 years from West Bloomfield. He was an assistant at Quorton Elementary School. He graduated from West Bloomfield High School in 1980. Erik loved all sports, especially an enthusiastic Spartan Fan. He is survived by his parents, Peter and Eleanor Peckala of West Bloomfield, sister Lynn (Peter) Root of Birmingham, nephew, Alex, and two nieces, Kelsey and Kate. Funeral service at Kirk in the Hills, 1340 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Thursday, July 21, 11:00 a.m. with Reverend David J. Hanna officiating. Visitation at the Wm. R. Hamilton Co., 820 E. Maple, Birmingham, Wednesday, 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Interment will be private in Port Austin Township Cemetery. Memorial tributes may be made to The Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation, 500 Morris Avenue, Springfield, NJ 07081.

STEPHEN PERRISH
Died July 15, 2005. Age 20. Precious son of Robert and Susan. Brother and best friend of Kimberly. Stephen was an avid outdoorsman, an artist, and loved playing music. He was co-captain of Churchill High football team, class of 2002, and loved by all. Services Saturday, 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, 27475 5 Mile Rd., Livonia. Family suggests memorials to St. Paul's mission fund. Share a condolence. www.mannsfergusonfuneralhome.com

ELAINE A. JENSEN
July 18, 2005, age 63 of Westland. Beloved wife of James. Dear mother of Michael James (Monica), John William (Kim) & Julie Ann. Sister of Arleen Helwig Charles (Marge), Helwig Carol Miles & the late Marilyn Lehman & Robert Helwig. Loving grandmother of Ashley Miranda, Eric Kurt & Matthew. Instate at St. John Ev. Lutheran Church, 35320 Glenwood Rd., Westland. Fri. 9 a.m. until time of service at 10 a.m. Family will receive friends Wed. 5-9 p.m. & Thur. 12-9 p.m. at Uht Funeral Home, 35400 Glenwood Rd., Westland. Family requests memorials to the church. Please visit and sign a tribute at www.uhtfuneralhome.com



WILLIAM J. "FATHER BILL" DOWELL
Age 85 of Livonia died July 17, 2005. Beloved brother of John (Margaret) Dowell, Mary Jean (George) Peabody and George (the late Margaret) Dowell. Also numerous nieces and nephews. Father Bill was born in Detroit, Michigan, to Stanley and Catherine Dowell on September 29, 1919. He began his education at St. Theresa, then went on to Sacred Heart Seminary, Sacred Heart Seminary College, Catholic University of America and had further studies at Georgetown, Middlebury, Vermont, and in France. As a professor at Sacred Heart Seminary High School, he taught English, Religion, and French. At Sacred Heart Seminary College, he taught Sociology at St. Joseph, an Providence Nursing School, he taught Ethics. His first assignment was with Visitation Parish in Detroit, then Sacred Heart Seminary for 17 years. He later became Pastor at St. Clement of Rome Pastor at St. Jude of Detroit, Pastor at St. Sylvester in Warren and Pastor of Price of Peace in West Bloomfield where he retired in 1994. Funeral mass from Prince of Peace Catholic Church, 4300 Walnut Lake Rd., West Bloomfield (2 Blocks West of Orchard Lake Rd.) Friday, 11 AM. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit. Friends may visit at the church, Thursday, 1-9 p.m. (Vigil at 7:00 pm) and on Friday, 10 a.m. until time of service. Memorials to Senior Clergy Village of Livonia appreciated. For more information, please call Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, Walled Lake, (248) 624-2251.


KENNETH STEVENSON MACGREGOR
September 14, 1920, July 14, 2005, age 84 of Mt. Clemens, formerly of Livonia. He worked at Burroughs Corp. in Livonia as a Mechanical Engineer for 34 years. Kenneth was retired from USMC as LM MgySgt Aviation, 1942-1978. Survived by sister Janet and brother in law Frank Otlewski. Father of Peter, Ronald, Kathleen and Sandra. He asked that his remains be sent to Arlington National Cemetery in Springfield, VA. Funeral arrangements were made by the Buresh and Kobs Funeral Home in Tawas City, MI.

LAWRENCE DOWELL
Age 67, July 16, 2005. Beloved husband of Barbara. Loving father of Mark, Dowell, Stephafer of Brian (Carmen) Boyd, Dear grandfather of Jackie Jordan, Chris and Matthew. Brother of Virginia (Don) Long, Joan Ray and Billy (Barbara) Dowell. Son in law of Margaret Cowley. Brother in law of Carole (Joel) Layne. Survived by many nieces and nephews. Larry was a local Barber for 42 years, a member of the 82nd Airborne Unit and an accomplished saxophone player. He will be sadly missed by all. Services were held July 19 at Charles Step Funeral Home, Redford Interment Parkview Memorial, Livonia.

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Side dish

Focus on gazpacho

Learn and sample gazpacho varieties at Papa Joe's Gourmet Market 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 23

First created in Andalusia, Spain, gazpacho is a soup that is served chilled at room temperature and began as a way to make use of bread fragments or crumbs. The bread is traditionally combined with vinegar, water, oil, garlic and other available seasonings. Uncooked vegetables are also added - sometimes overripe or because of their abundance - and combined in the broth of tomato purée, juice or chicken stock.

Originally developed as peasant fare, today's versions are much more complex with added seafood and nuts and fruits, creating a gourmet summer meal.

"Gazpacho is the perfect summer dish," said William Hall, chef at Papa Joe's Gourmet Market. "It is altogether nourishing, cooling and refreshing."

Papa Joe's gazpachos are made with a combination of six different varieties of fresh tomatoes paired with its own handmade bread. The more modern styles begin with yogurt, fish stock or nuts and fruits. The six gazpachos to be featured on July 23 are red with fresh tomatoes, onions, and celery, yellow with fresh avocado and red onion, white with almonds, grapes and cucumbers, seafood with crab, shrimp and scallops, green with yogurt, green herbs and watercress, and roasted pepper with sherry vinegar, cinnamon and hot spices.

These gazpachos will be available to taste and take home. Hall and his assistants will be giving cooking demonstrations featuring these recipes.

Papa Joe's Gourmet Market is located at 34244 Woodward in Birmingham. The phone number is (248) 723-9400.

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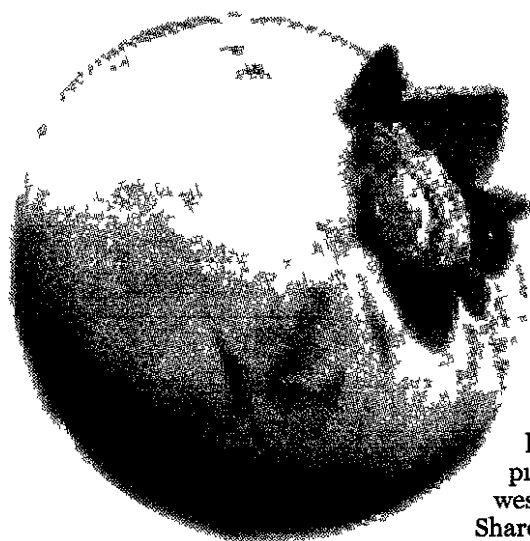
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Soak up summer's berry season with fresh blueberries



BY KEN ABRAMCZYK
STAFF WRITER

It's hard to find a fruit that epitomizes summertime more than blueberries.

Their frosty sheen reflects their freshness whether you shop for them at a farmer's market or supermarket or visit the U-pick farms, most of which are in western Michigan.

Sharon Jones of the Jones Berry Farm in Bridgeman, near St. Joseph, said this year's blueberry crop "looks good."

"Even though we haven't had rain, our U-pick field is irrigated," she said last week. The Bluecrop will be ready to pick for one more week, then the Jersey crop, a sweeter berry, will be ready next week, she said.

Consumers enjoy blueberries. Michigan leads the nation in blueberry production, producing 32 percent of the blueberries eaten in the United States, according to the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Allegan, Berrien, Muskegon, Ottawa and Van Buren counties on the western side of Michigan's Lower Peninsula comprise the state's primary blueberry growing region.

Michigan's harvest season began in mid-July and is expected to end in late September. Popular varieties include the Bluecrop, the Elliot and the Jersey.

The deep, dark indigo color of blueberries is created by anthocyanin, an antioxidant that bursts forth from this rich berry. (Antioxidants are substances that can reduce cell damage.

that could lead to cancer, according to the American Institute for Cancer Research.) Blueberries also are a source of vitamins A and C, potassium and folate.

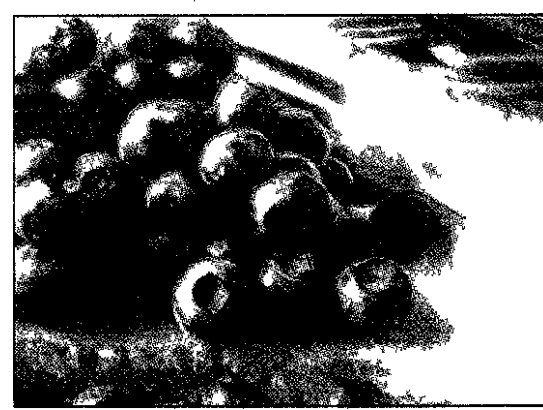
These days scientists are studying the health benefits of this little ol' berry.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging in Boston developed the Oxygen Radical Absorbance

Capacity, which qualifies the antioxidant capacity of foods. Fresh blueberries have a high level of ORAC (a score of 2,400 per 100 grams), where five servings of some fruits and vegetables in a typical American diet score about 1,600.

FRESH AND LOCAL

Jennifer Trainer Thompson writes in her new book, *Very Blueberry* (Ten Speed



BLUEBERRY LATTICE TOP PIE

2 cups flour
1 teaspoon sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup shortening
1 teaspoon vanilla
4 tablespoons ice water

Filling:

4 cups blueberries fresh or frozen
4 teaspoons lemon juice
3/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup corn starch
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
2 tablespoons butter

Combine dry ingredients. Cut in shortening with pastry blender or with two knives, until it resembles coarse crumbs. In a separate container, combine vanilla with the ice water, add to dry ingredients, tossing with fork until dough forms a soft ball. Wrap in plastic wrap and refrigerate for about 15-20 minutes then roll out about 1/8 of the dough on a lightly floured surface. Gently line a 9-inch pie plate, allowing about 1/2-inch to overhang. Roll remaining dough to about a 10-inch circle. Cut into 1/2-inch strips with a knife or pastry wheel.

Meanwhile, place blueberries in a bowl and sprinkle with lemon juice. In a separate bowl mix sugar, corn starch, cinnamon and lemon peel. Add this to the berries, combine well. Transfer to pastry shell. Dot with butter. Weave the strips of prepared pastry over top until covered. Moisten rim with water. Press ends of strips to rim. Fold the overhanging pastry over and flute the edges. Brush with milk or egg white.

Place in 400°F oven for about 10 minutes. Reduce heat to 350°F and bake 30-40 minutes longer, or until crust is golden brown. Cool on wire rack before cutting.

CHICKEN PASTA SALAD WITH BLUEBERRIES

Dressing
1 cup fat free red wine vinegar dressing

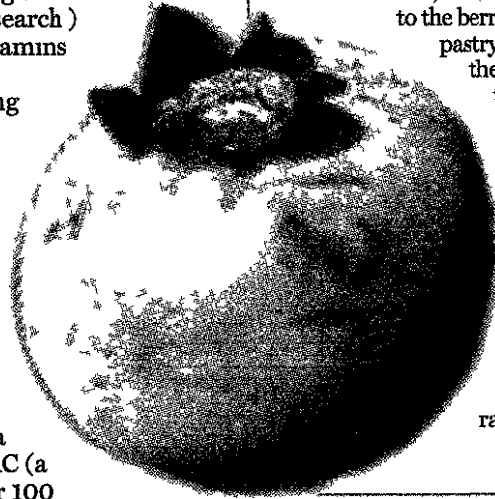
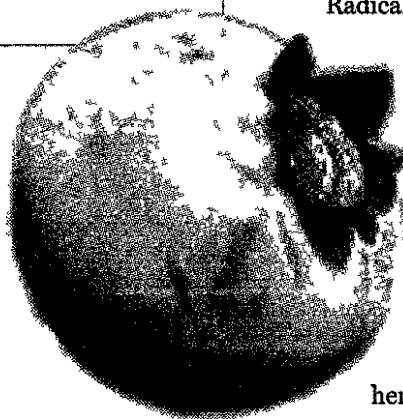
Salad
3 cups spiral pasta
2 cups (about 1 pound) cooked chicken cubed
1 cup sliced celery
1 cup fresh blueberries
1 cup pea pods trimmed cut in half
1/2 cup finely chopped red pepper
1/2 cup chopped parsley
1/2 cup chopped red onion
1/2 cup red wine vinegar
2-3 tablespoons chopped fresh basil
Salt and pepper to taste
1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Cook pasta according to directions on package. About 1 minute before it is cooked, add the pea pods. Drain and rinse with cold water. To a large bowl, add pasta and pea pods along with the remaining salad ingredients, except Parmesan cheese. Toss with 1/2 cup Red Wine Vinegar Dressing. Cover, refrigerate several hours or overnight to blend flavors. Before serving, toss with remaining dressing and Parmesan cheese.

Yield: 12 (1 cup) servings

Nutrition Information: Calories 191, total fat 4 g, cholesterol 36 mg, sodium 382 mg, potassium 203 mg, total carbohydrates 21 g, protein 16 g

Recipes courtesy of the Michigan Blueberry Growers Association



PLEASE SEE BLUEBERRY, B8

CALENDAR

Please submit items at least two weeks in advance of the date they should be published. Send to Ken Abramczyk, Taste editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150 or e-mail kabramczyk@oehomecomm.net

Picnic in the park

The third annual Potluck Picnic in the Park will be hosted by Valerie Wilson (MacroVal) noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, July 23. All food is vegetarian, vegan and macrobiotic. Bring one healthy dish to share and the fee is \$5 or come for the food and fun for \$12 (the fee covers the cost of food and supplies). Call Val for more information or if you are planning to attend at (734) 261-2856.

Healthy Cooking Classes

Vegetarian whole foods cooking classes with macrobiotic chef Valerie Wilson. Each class includes discussions on the healthy benefits of the ingredients. Upcoming classes include Quick and Easy Dishes on Wednesday, July 27 (fee \$30) and a four-week Beginning Series. This class is the most informative. Class fee is \$120 (or \$30 for each class). Details of all classes can be found at www.macroval.com. Classes are scheduled 6-9 p.m. in Garden City. Visit the Web site or call (734) 261-2856 for more information.

BLUEBERRY

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Press/Celestial Arts/Crossing Press, \$5.95), that a research chemist determined that a compound called pterostilbene may possibly lower cholesterol "as well as drugs on the market do."

Scientists haven't moved yet beyond the early testing phase, nor have they proposed how many blueberries one would have to eat, but it does seem clear blueberries can help fight a multitude of ailments," she writes. "Moreover, they are rich in fiber and vitamin C (a half cup is equivalent to 1,000 milligrams of vitamin C)." Her book contains 40 recipes of traditional favorites of blueberry muffins and blueberry pie along with other non-traditionals, such as grilled swordfish with blueberry-verbena butter and New York strip steak with blueberry port sauce.

"Never wash berries - fresh, dried or frozen - until you're about to serve them or use them to brighten muffins or pancakes, enliven rice and

salad or add color to desserts," Thompson writes. "Swirled into your pancake batter in January, they will remind you of that hot August afternoon you picked the perfect blue ball and popped it into your mouth while it was still warm from the sun."

USE THEM IN MAIN DISHES

Blueberries just taste good - on pancakes, in smoothies, muffins or blueberry buckles. Of course, they are probably most often used in pies by culinary artists everywhere.

But there are other ways they can be prepared, like combined with chicken and lettuce in a main dish salad. Or a soup to cut the summer chill. (See related recipes.) If you are looking to stock up to prepare them all year long, they are easily frozen on a sheet pan, then stored in freezer bags. You can buy 10-20 pounds for your family to enjoy all year long. (Visit www.blueberries.com, the Web site of the Michigan Blueberry Growers Association, which lists the U-pick blueberry farms in Michigan and recipes.)

GLAZED BLUEBERRY BREAKFAST ROLLS

- 1 (10 ounce) can refrigerated pizza crust dough
- Vegetable cooking spray
- Flour

- Blueberry filling**
- 3/4 cup blueberries, finely chopped
 - 2 tablespoons orange juice
 - 2 tablespoons sugar
 - 2 teaspoons corn starch
 - 1 teaspoon grated orange peel

- Glaze**
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
 - 1 tablespoon milk
 - 1/2 teaspoon grated orange peel

Preheat oven to 375°F. Coat 12 muffin cups with vegetable cooking spray. In a small pan, combine blueberry filling ingredients, stirring to dissolve corn starch. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly until thick and bubbly (about 3 minutes). Set aside to cool for 10 minutes. Unroll pizza dough onto a lightly floured surface, pat into a 12 x 9 inch rectangle. Spread blueberry filling over dough, leaving a 1/2-inch border along the sides. Beginning with a long side, roll up jelly-roll fashion, pinch seam to seal (do not seal ends of roll). Cut roll into 12 (1-inch) slices. Place slices, cut sides up, in coated muffin cups. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until lightly browned. Remove rolls from pan, cool on a wire rack for at least 15 minutes before adding glaze.

For glaze: Combine powdered sugar, milk and grated orange peel, stirring until smooth. Drizzle icing over rolls.

Yield: 12 rolls

Nutrition Information: Calories 96, total fat 1 g, cholesterol 0 mg, sodium 131 mg, potassium 15 mg, total carbohydrates 20 g, protein 2 g

BLUEBERRY FRUIT SMOOTHIE

- 1 cup low fat vanilla ice cream
- 1 cup fresh or frozen blueberries (do not thaw)
- 1/2 cup light peaches, packed in water or natural juices, chopped
- 1/2 cup unsweetened pineapple juice
- 1/4 cup low fat vanilla yogurt

Place all ingredients in a blender. Cover and mix until smooth, about 30 to 45 seconds. Yield: 2 servings, about 2 1/2 cups.

FRESH BLUEBERRY-STRAWBERRY MOUSSE PIE

- 1 envelope unflavored gelatin
- 1/4 cup cold water
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 cup fresh blueberries, finely chopped
- 1 cup sliced fresh strawberries, hulled and finely chopped
- 3/4 cup confectioners' sugar
- 1 (8 ounce) container lite whipped topping
- 1 (9 inch) prepared graham cracker crumb crust

In a small saucepan, sprinkle gelatin over cold water, let stand 1 minute. Stir over low heat until gelatin is completely dissolved (about 1 minute). Stir in lemon juice, set aside to cool. In a large bowl, add blueberries, strawberries and confectioners' sugar, toss to coat. Stir in dissolved gelatin. Fold in whipped topping, spoon pie mixture into crust. Refrigerate 3 to 4 hours or until firm. Garnish suggestions: whipped topping, additional fresh fruit or serve with blueberry sauce (see recipe below).

Yield: 8 servings

Blueberry Sauce

- 2 cups fresh or frozen blueberries, thawed
- 1/4 cup orange juice
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch

Combine all ingredients in a medium saucepan. Cook and stir constantly over medium heat 4 to 5 minutes or until thickened. Yield: about 2 cups.

GRILLED SWORDFISH WITH BLUEBERRY-VERBENA BUTTER

- For a change, use red snapper or salmon in place of swordfish. The best lemon verbena comes freshly picked from the garden.
- 1/4 cup unsalted butter at room temperature
- 1/2 cup fresh or partially thawed frozen blueberries
- 1/8 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/4 cup young lemon verbena leaves, finely chopped
- 1 tablespoon minced shallot
- 4 (6 ounce 1 inch thick) swordfish steaks
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- salt and freshly ground black pepper

With the back of a fork or in the bowl of a food processor fitted with the metal blade, blend the butter, blueberries and salt until completely blended. This may take up to

two minutes in the food processor. Transfer the butter mixture to a bowl. Fold in the verbena and shallot. Cover and refrigerate for at least one hour to allow the flavors to develop. (Store the butter in the refrigerator for up to one month or freeze it for up to three months.)

Prepare a fire in a charcoal grill or preheat a gas grill to medium-high. Rub the fish with the oil and season with salt and pepper to taste. Place the fish on the grill rack and cook, turning once, for about five minutes on each side. The swordfish is ready when it has turned from translucent to opaque throughout. Transfer the fish to plates. Place one tablespoon of the blueberry verbena butter on each steak. Serve immediately. Serves four.

NEW YORK STRIP STEAK WITH BLUEBERRY-PORT SAUCE

This rich blueberry sauce also tastes wonderful over duck, chicken, or lamb. Thyme and mint are excellent substitutions for the rosemary.

- 2 tablespoons minced shallots
- 1 cup fresh or thawed frozen blueberries
- 1 1/2 cups port
- 1 cup beef broth
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 4 (8 ounce) New York strip steaks
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a saucepan, combine the shallots, blueberries, port, broth and sugar, and bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Boil for about one hour, until reduced to 1/2 cup. Remove from the heat and stir in the rosemary and butter. Keep warm.

Prepare a fire in a charcoal grill or preheat a grill to high. Pat the steaks dry, brush both sides with the oil, and season to taste with salt and pepper. Place on the grill rack and cook for four to five minutes on each side for medium-rare. Remove from the heat and set aside to rest for five minutes. Place one steak on each plate and drizzle two tablespoons of the sauce over each. Serve immediately.

Serves four. Recipes courtesy of the Michigan Blueberry Growers Association.

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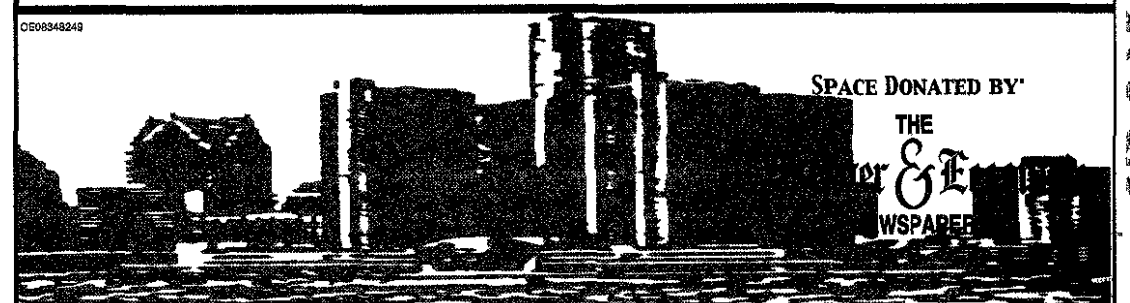
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Have blueberries for dinner in this salad

BY DANA JACOBI
CORRESPONDENT

Blueberries are usually associated with pancakes and muffins served at breakfast, and pies and cobblers for dessert. But more recently, they have begun showing up in salads and on the dinner plate.

Because of globalization in the food industry and the efficiency of modern transportation, we can now enjoy fresh blueberries almost year round. They are flown in from Chile and New Zealand, when their summers take place during our winters. But since they are sold in small plastic boxes at prices that might easily amount to four dollars per cup, most of us need to indulge with a close eye on our food budgets.

Happily, locally grown blueberries are now at their height, sometimes still frosted with the silvery bloom signaling they are virtually just picked. Whether the berries in your local store come from New Jersey, Michigan, the Pacific Northwest, or Canada, these plump, fresh berries are more affordable, too, inviting us to use them more often and more casually. This is good, since blueberries rate the highest of all fresh fruits and vegetables on a scale

developed by scientists to measure their antioxidant content.

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Fresh blueberries give a new twist to spinach or mixed

greens salad. Try adding them, along with a sprinkling of finely chopped shallots, then dress the salad with a tangy balsamic vinaigrette.

On sultry summer days when you want to avoid cooking, try serving this one-dish dinner of chicken salad made with store-bought roasted chicken breast and blueberries, tossed with a creamy, low-fat buttermilk dressing, and served on a bed of baby spinach and crisp watercress.

CHICKEN SALAD WITH BLUEBERRIES

- 1/4 cup slivered almonds for garnish (optional)
- 1 cup fat free or reduced fat buttermilk
- 1/2 cup reduced fat mayonnaise
- 4 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon orange juice, preferably fresh
- Salt and freshly ground white pepper to taste
- 4 packed cups baby spinach, roughly chopped
- 4 packed cups watercress sprigs, roughly chopped
- 4 cups (12 ounces or 1/4 pound) diced cooked chicken breast

1 Granny Smith apple, cored and diced

Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

1 cup fresh blueberries for garnish (optional)

Preheat the oven to 350° F

Toast almonds (if using) on a baking sheet until lightly browned, 8 minutes, stirring occasionally. Set aside.

Whisk together the buttermilk, mayonnaise, lemon and orange juice. Season to taste with salt and white pepper. Set aside.

Divide the spinach and watercress among 4 salad plates. Top with the chicken and apple. Drizzle the dressing over the salads. Garnish each salad with a sprinkle of almonds and blueberries. Serve immediately.

Makes 6 servings

Per serving: 262 calories, 10 g total fat (3 g saturated fat), 9 g carbohydrate, 31 g protein, 1 g dietary fiber, 296 mg sodium

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

Detroit area Select Michigan event schedule

Here is a list of Select Michigan Blueberries events:

■ Thursday, July 21
Farmer Jack, 26400 Ford, Dearborn Heights, (313) 274-8340, 4-7 p.m.
Event features Greenfield Village's own Chef Nick Seccia

■ Friday, July 22
Farmer Jack, 3600 W. Maple, Bloomfield Hills, (248) 642-7090, 4-6 p.m.

■ Saturday, July 23
Farmer Jack, 1495 N. Rochester Road, Rochester Hills, (248) 651-7910, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

■ Sunday, July 24
Farmer Jack, 225 Canton Center South, Canton, (734) 844-1500, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Go wild with these recipes

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Recalling the New England summers of her childhood, food and travel writer Linda Dannenberg says, she thinks of blueberries

"I can still smell my mother's lattice-topped blueberry pies cooling on our screened back porch, and taste the plump and tender sugar-topped blueberry muffins that we bought every August morning at Humphreys bakery on Martha's Vineyard," she writes

Years ago, she adds, "We just loved them for themselves - tiny, perfect wash-and-ready fruit with lovely, thin indigo skin, very few seeds, a delicate balance of acidity and sweetness, and dainty, ruffled crowns"

Now, scientific reports published over the last five years, stemming from studies at Tufts University, Rutgers University, and the US Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service, have hailed the blueberry's nutritional assets as a potent antioxidant with beneficial properties

Dannenberg's new book, *True Blueberry* (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 2005, \$22.50), is a trove of blueberry lore and background, summarizes her research, and features a variety of recipes, including favorites she collected from chefs and home cooks

You can find blueberries these days in a wide variety of products, first among them fresh blueberries, both cultivated and wild, she says

Wild blueberries, commonly called "low-bush" blueberries because they grow low to the ground in the sandy barrens of New England and eastern Canada, are generally quite small, often no larger than a baby pea, and range in flavor from tangy and sour to exquisitely sweet

Cultivated, commercially grown blueberries were developed as hearty hybrids from wild high-bush blueberry plants in the Northeast that were able to thrive in areas where blueberries were not originally grown

As well as fresh berries, there

are air- or heat-dried blueberries, sometimes called dehydrated blueberries, that resemble raisins, freeze-dried berries that are light and crunchy, canned blueberries, and blueberry juice

Here's a breakfast suggestion for light, lemony pancakes adapted from a recipe developed by Jeff Jackson, executive chef at A.R. Valentien, at the Lodge in Torrey Pines, La Jolla, Calif

LEMON-RICOTTA PANCAKES WITH BLUEBERRY-PEACH COMPOTE

Blueberry-Peach Compote

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 cups fresh blueberries
- 1 cup dried blueberries
- 2 peaches

Lemon-Ricotta Pancakes

- 6 large eggs separated
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons finely grated lemon zest

- 1/2 cup flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/2 cups ricotta
- 1 stick (8 tablespoons) unsalted butter melted
- 2 to 3 tablespoons vegetable oil

To make the blueberry-peach compote In a heavy-bottomed saucepan, combine the sugar and water and bring to a boil over medium-high heat Add the fresh and dried blueberries and stir to combine Turn the heat down to low and simmer for 20 minutes, stirring once or twice Remove from the heat and set aside

Meanwhile, bring a small pot of water to a rolling boil and lower in the peaches Cook for several minutes, just until the skins split Remove and immediately plunge them into an ice-water bath Peel the peaches, remove the pits, and, working over a dish to retain the juices, cut the peaches into small chunks Fold the peaches and juice into the blueberry mixture Cover and set aside until ready to serve

To make the lemon-ricotta pancakes In the bowl of an electric mixer combine the egg yolks sugar and lemon zest and mix at medium speed for about 3 minutes until the mixture is satiny and pale yellow

low Add the flour and salt and mix for two minutes Add the ricotta and butter and mix until incorporated Set aside

In another bowl, whip the egg whites until they hold stiff peaks Fold one-third of the egg whites into the yolk mixture Add the remaining egg white mixture and gently fold it in, working to maintain as much volume as possible

Heat 2 tablespoons of the oil in a large skillet or griddle over high heat When hot, reduce the heat to medium-high Ladle the batter into the skillet, about 1/4 cup per pancake Flip when the edges just start to turn brown and little bubbles begin to form in the pancake Cook just until lightly browned on the other side Add a little bit more oil as needed for each batch Serve immediately, accompanied by the Blueberry-Peach Compote served in a sauceboat or bowl at the table

Makes 4 to 6 servings

BLUEBERRY-BEET BORSCHT

- 3 cups water
- 1 pound (about 4 medium) beets peeled and cut into match stick strips
- 1 cup fresh blueberries
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 2 teaspoons salt
- Freshly ground black pepper to taste
- Sour cream for garnish
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh dill optional for garnish

In a large saucepan or medium soup pot, combine the water, beets, blueberries, lemon juice, sugar, salt, and several turns of the pepper mill, stir to combine Bring to a boil over medium high heat, then reduce the heat to medium-low and simmer for 25 to 30 minutes, until the beets are tender Cool to room temperature, then transfer the soup to a storage container, cover, and refrigerate

Serve chilled, in soup cups garnished with a spoonful of sour cream and, if you wish, a sprinkling of dill

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Members of the Livonia-based Newburgh Swim Club dive into the water at the beginning of the 50-yard freestyle competition during Tuesday evening's meet at the Colony Swim Club in Canton



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Colony Swim Club members Sophie Marceau and Anni Patterson stretch out in preparation for their exhibition heat to begin before the Crocodiles Summer Independent Swim League meet against the Newburgh Swim Club Tuesday night. Newburgh won 216-190 to forge a first-place tie with Colony heading into Saturday's league meet.

Sidelines

Pirates tryouts

Tryouts for the 2006 Canton Pirates 13U baseball team will be held Tuesday July 26, and Thursday, July 28, at 6 p.m. at Canton's Griffin Park, which is located on Sheldon Road, just south of Ford Road. All interested players must have been born after April 30, 1992. Contact coach Bruce Price at (734) 635-7497.

Adult hockey in GC

Yes, the NHL is coming back. But so is adult hockey through Garden City Parks and Recreation.

Team registrations for the upcoming Garden City Parks and Recreation league is slated to begin Monday, July 25. Games will be played from mid-September into April on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays at the Garden City Civic Arena, located at Merriman and Cherry Hill. The entry fee of \$330 plus a forfeit/referee scheduling fee of \$270 per team is due at the time of registration. Call (734) 793-1880 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday or e-mail TonyW@Gardencitymi.org

Canton X-country

Non-mandatory practices for the Canton boys cross-country teams will be held every weekday at 9 a.m. through mid-August. All incoming freshmen and other students who are interested in joining the team this fall are welcome to attend. Contact coach Bill Boyd at (734) 416-9970.

Salem swim news

The Salem girls swimming-and-diving team will be holding a car wash fund-raiser on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the corner of Warren and Lilley Roads.

On Monday, July 25, the team will be hosting an ice cream extravaganza fund-raiser at the Cold Stone Creamery in Plymouth from 4-9 p.m.

Pride Stars win

The Plymouth-Canton Pride Stars 12U girls fast-pitch softball team finished its in-state play for the 2005 season this past weekend by winning the Last Chance World Series Qualifier held in Sterling Heights. The Pride Stars hit the 50-win mark with their victory in the championship game — a 9-8 win over the Outlaws Black.

The Pride Stars have now won four and finished second in three of the 11 tournaments they have competed in this summer. They will represent Plymouth-Canton at the 12U World Series held next week at the Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Fla.

Members of the team are Lauren Roberts, Mary Johnson, Alyssa Gett, Logan Lankford, Kelli Janiczek, Heidi Schmidt, Amy Dunleavy, Amanda Burnard, Carol Ann Sexauer, Kaitlyn Mattson and Jessica Bondy. The team is coached by Tony Gould, Mike Bernard and Dan Bressler.

Fight to the 'fin'ish

Newburgh Sharks outswim Colony Crocodiles, 216-190

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

SWIMMING

This weekend's Summer Independent Swim League championship meet will have some added bite thanks to the Newburgh Swim Club Sharks' 216-190 victory over the Colony Swim Club Tuesday night.

The Livonia-based Sharks earned some redemption for an early-season loss to the Crocodiles by winning at Colony to improve their record to 6-1. Colony is also 6-1, which means Saturday's SISL meet in Northville will determine the league champion.

Meets between Newburgh and Colony have been very close the past few years, said Colony coach Kathy Sonnanstine. We beat them by

just a few points when we swam against them earlier in the year. "Tonight's meet was very competitive and very exciting. I expect Saturday's league meet to be very close, too."

Newburgh established a 10-point lead early in Tuesday's meet and was never really threatened in the competition's latter stages.

Both teams are made up of year-round swimmers who range in age and skill level from early elementary-aged swimmers to athletes who compete on their respective high school squads, Sonnanstine said.

The Crocodiles were led by six double-winners: Hannah

Jenkins (8-and-under girls), Abby Madison and Lauren Seroka (10-and-under girls), Robert Coe (10-and-under boys), and Max Yoas and Adam Seroka (12-and-under boys).

Swimmers who won single events for Colony were Kelly Erickson (8-and-under girls), Justin Katulski (8-and-under boys), Amanda Short (10-and-under girls), Todd Maslyk and Michael Carlson (10-and-under boys), Lauren Maslyk, Maggie Carlson and Kelley Hodges (13-15 girls), and Matt Carlson (13-15 boys).

Joining Newburgh and Colony at Saturday's league meet will be teams from the Northville, Burton Hollow and Fairway Farms swim clubs.

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Vet gets lift from Golden Age Games

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Everett Houk's fellow competitors at the annual National Veterans Golden Age Games should be thankful the 79-year-old Canton resident doesn't have enough space in his yard to practice the shot put or discus.

Otherwise, Houk may have had a monopoly on the gold medals in the field events at this year's games, which were held May 21-26 in Norman, Okla.

"My yard is so small, I can practically shake my neighbor's hand out my window, so there's no way I can practice," said Houk, who moved to Canton in 1997 after living in Garden City for 47 years. "I'd probably break a window or something. The only time I really touch a shot put or discus is at the Golden Age Games each year."

Even without practice, Houk earned three bronze medals in the 75-79 age group — one each in croquet, the shot put and the discus events.

"I usually do well in the air rifle events, too, but they made the targets smaller on me this year," he said, chuckling. "Even though I don't get to practice, I try to stay in shape by walking and working

out with weights as often as I can."

"Winning medals is a bonus for me. Even if I didn't win anything, it would still be exciting because of all the nice people I've had a chance to meet and the places I've been able to travel to."

Next year will mark the 20th anniversary of the inception of the Golden Age Games, which is the largest sporting event in the world for senior veterans. All participants are U.S. military veterans from across the United States who are 55 or older. All of the athletes also receive some form of medical care through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

More than 500 veterans from coast to coast participated in this year's competition.

"I was never an athlete until I got into this eight years ago," admitted Houk, who receives treatment for a heart condition at the Ann Arbor VA. "The first time you attend the games, the VA pays for everything. After the first year, I raised the money for my travel expenses with a popcorn fund-raiser the VA sponsored, but our popcorn machine blew up a few years ago, so now I have to either pay for it



Canton resident Everett Houk releases the shot put during the National Veterans Golden Age Games.

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GC alum to play softball at HFCC

Garden City alum Kelly Elmore is headed to Henry Ford Community College to play women's softball in 2006.

Elmore, a star pitcher for the Cougars who threw a perfect game in her senior season (2004), is transferring to HFCC from Schoolcraft College.

"Kelly is a great find for us," said Henry Ford head coach Michaelene Ruhl. "She will make an impact right away. Her desire to play, her work ethic and constant smile are exactly what we look for. We are very happy to have her at HFCC."

Elmore's exemplary senior season at Garden City (1.16 ERA, team MVP) netted her a number of post-season accolades.

She was honored with All Observerland, Michigan Mega Conference All-Academic, All Conference Academic, National Scholar Athlete, All League, All District, All Region and All State Honorable Mention awards.

- Tim Smith

Livonia's Djokic helps Bucks playoff bid

BY TIM SMITH
STAFF WRITER



Nik Djokic

Entering Saturday night's game, playoff hopes for the Michigan Bucks minor league soccer team were flickering.

But after a 1-0 USL Premier Development League victory over the second-place Indiana Invaders at Berkley's Hurley Field, they are in full flame.

"Right now, we've got two games left. Bucks head coach Paul Snape said, 'If we win the last two, we're in the playoffs. We can't have a letdown (Friday) against Toledo.'"

Chris Edwards' second-half goal and shutout goalkeeping — again — by Jeff Wiese proved enough for the third-place Bucks.

Meanwhile, an important

defensive play in the 89th minute by Livonia Stevenson alum Nik Djokic helped the Bucks hang on. After a free kick, Djokic got in the way of a potentially dangerous crossing pass near the 10-yard line and the Invaders couldn't direct a shot at Wiese.

In the 91st minute, the

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PLAYOFF IMPLICATIONS

What: Michigan Bucks will host Toledo Slayers

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday

Where: Hurley Field in Berkley, south of Catalpa (1 1/2 mile) between Coolidge and Greenfield roads

Why: If the Bucks win their last two games, they will earn a playoff berth in the USL Premier Development League.

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myself or get a sponsor
 "These games have given me an opportunity to travel to a lot of nice places, like Los Angeles, Fresno and Dallas. I've gotten to see a lot of the country."
 Houk, who will turn 80 in August, was a crew member of the U.S. Thornback, a submarine, for two years before it was deployed in the Pacific Ocean in

the spring of 1945
 "A few days after we were in the Pacific, the bomb was dropped," Houk said.
 Once the (enemies) found out I was out there, they gave up right away," he joked. "Even though the war was over when I was out there, the T's hadn't been crossed and the I's hadn't been dotted, so my sub had a few torpedoes fired at it."
 "One of the nice things about the Golden Age Games is that I've had a chance to meet two or

three other submariners, and we've shared stories.
 Houk is anxiously anticipating next year's games when he will move up an age division.
 "I'll be 80 so I'll get to compete in the 80-85 age class, he said. "I'll be one of the youngsters again."
 Houk said he sees no end in sight to his participation in the annual event. "As long as I'm upright, I will keep competing," he said.
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Invaders did get a shot off from close range, but it sailed across the crease and past the far post.
 "It's always good to help the team out," Djokic said. "When we're getting pressured by this team, and they're a great team, it's good just to get it out of the zone."
 Snape said Wiese contributed with a fine effort. But he noted the strong play of Wiese and defenders such as Ryan Rzepka (Novi), Kevin Taylor, Kyle Vers and midfielder Nate Craft (Royal Oak).
 "Everybody put forth the effort required to win this game," he said.
 The lone goal came in the second half, at the 65:50 mark. Midfielder/forward Joseph Kabwe, who played another stellar game, chipped the ball over a defender on the right side of the field.
 Edwards corralled it and

drove a hard shot inside the right post behind Invaders goalkeeper Mike Graczyk from about 8 yards for his fourth goal in four games and fifth of the season.
 "He (Edwards) put it away with precision," Snape said.
ANOTHER SHUTOUT
 It was the fifth shutout in six games for Wiese, a three-time all-conference player for Oakland University in Rochester Hills.
 On a number of occasions, Wiese raced out to grab the ball and stymie Indiana forwards.
 Around the 78:30 mark of the game, with the Bucks leading, he dove to block a point-blank shot by Albert Villarreal.
 The aggressiveness of Wiese has a positive impact on teammates, Snape noted.
 "Jeff's making some good saves when he has to come out," Snape said. "If you hesitate, indecision spreads through the team. It's tough. But Jeff's taking pressure off us."

"For people who don't understand how big that is, it's huge. If you can prevent the shot, that's even better than a save, I believe."
 With the win, the Bucks improved to 28 points in the PDL's Great Lakes Division with a game in hand on the Invaders (30 points).
 If the Bucks prevail in a home-and-home series against Toledo, they will finish at least second and earn a playoff berth. The first game is 7:30 p.m. Friday at Berkley's Hurley Field.
 "We can't have a letdown against Toledo," Snape said.
 Although pleased with the victory, the coach said the Bucks need to improve on converting their scoring chances in order to make the playoffs and then have success in them.
 "We're going to have to work on the finishing," he said. "Our play in the box is outstanding. It was great to watch. We're creating, we just have to put the ball in the back of the net."
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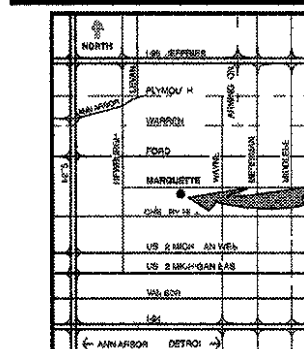
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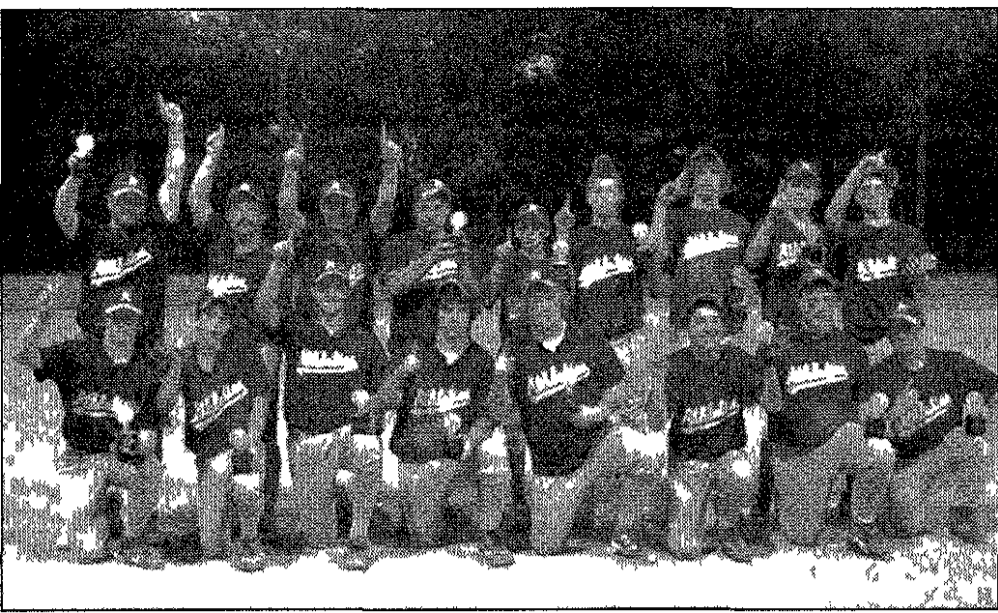
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A's for effort

The Westland Athletics of the WYAA were the 2005 champions of the Inter-city South Colt League and the winners of the post-season tournament. The league is composed of teams from Westland, Garden City, Livonia, Wayne, Northville and Dearborn Heights. Each team is made up of 15- and 16-year-old players. The A's, who finished with a 12-2 record, defeated Livonia South 8-6, in the championship game. Pictured are (front row, l-r) Jeremy Proffitt, Derek LeBlanc, Jon Gillis, Alex Dominguez, Kevin Kalamick, Eric Biegajski, E. J. Roach, Carl Bermudez, (top row, l-r) head coach Jack Proffitt, assistant coach Jose Bermudez, assistant coach Jon Gillis, Sr., Phil Johnson, Cal Bruning, Tod Jaggi, Pat CeCile, Adam Sonak and Frankie Ferrara.

Livonia U12 travel baseball team romps to AABC district victory

The U12 Livonia travel team captured the American Amateur Baseball Congress (AABC) district championship July 16 when it defeated Coldwater, 12-3, in the title game played in Hillsdale. After drawing a bye in the first round, Livonia shut out Battle Creek, 7-0, behind a combined four-hitter from pitchers Alex Dupue, Tyler Lynch and Dan Muller. In the next round, Livonia spotted Coldwater a 4-0 lead before storming back to win 13-6. Joey Lagrone earned the mound victory with relief help from Muller. In the championship round, Livonia ousted Hillsdale, 4-3,

to advance to the final game. Erik Kaptanowsky picked up the win with relief help from Nick Hool, who also knocked in the game-winning RBI, and Dupue. Dupue notched his second relief win in the title game. He received relief assistance from Lagrone. Overall, Kaptanowsky paced Livonia with eight hits, three more than Lynch. Adam Kaptanowsky, Nate Robinson and Muller each had four hits in the district tourney. Livonia is one of just six teams from Michigan to advance to AABC regional play. The team is now headed to Rockford, Ill., to play in the

regionals, with an opportunity to advance to the AABC World Series, which is set for Aug. 4-7 in Toa Baja, Puerto Rico. The team earned a trip to the district tournament by finishing its league play with a 17-4 record. The team's overall record heading into the regional is 27-9. Other team members are Jon Targus, Ben Anderson, Tyler Dewhurst and Nick Walters. Every member of the team contributed to bringing home the championship," said manager Jeff Walters, who was assisted by coaches Todd Varga, Walt Kaptanowsky and Brian Dewhurst.

Youth netters shine at Kingsbury

The 10 tennis courts at the Livonia YMCA served as proving grounds for many of the top junior tennis players in the metropolitan Detroit area this past weekend. The "Y" hosted the 7th Annual Jud Kingsbury Jr. Memorial Tennis Tournament, which attracted 126 players between the ages of 8 and 18. The tournament was an official United States Tennis Association event. Several Observerland-area players performed well at the three-day meet, which was halted at times on Saturday by rain and severe weather. Livonia resident Trevor

Kogut advanced to the semi-final round in the boys 18-and-under division before falling to Joseph Hodges, 6-2, 7-6. Kogut had dispatched Amit Hiremath, 5-7, 6-0, 6-0 in a quarterfinal showdown. The Farmington Hills brother-and-sister duo of Kevin and Karen Karoub both captured first place in their respective divisions. Kevin defeated Livonia's Aniket Patil, 6-0, 6-0, in the boys 14-and-under final while Karen upended Austin Lavallu, 7-6, 6-3, in the girls 16-and-under championship match. The Karoub's cousin, Chloce Karoub, also had a stellar

weekend, winning the girls 14-and-under division when she breezed past Brittney Turner, 6-0, 6-0, in the finale. Other area players who excelled were Canton's Kathleen Bedard, who advanced to the final round of the girls 18-and-under consolation finals before losing to Arathi Mohan, 6-2, 6-2, Livonia's Ian Petty, who was defeated in the boys 16-and-under consolation final, 7-5, 6-1, by Joel Siegel, and Livonia's Stephen Payne, who made it all the way to the boys 12-and-under semifinals before falling to Andrew Cahn, 6-0, 6-1

JUNIOR TENNIS RESULTS

7th Annual Jud Kingsbury Jr. Memorial Tennis Tournament
July 15-17 at Livonia YMCA

BOYS RESULTS

18 and under
Championship match: Thomas Cawood def. Joseph Hodges 6-1, 6-1.
Semifinal matches: Hodges def. Trevor Kogut (Livonia) 6-2, 7-6(6); Cawood def. Kyle Bodman 6-1, 6-0.
Consolation championship: James Klurski def. Robbie Shekhar 7-6(5), 2-6, 11-9.

16-and under
Championship match: Peter Rothstein def. Vishan Ramachandran 7-6(5), 6-2.
Semifinal matches: Rothstein def. Victor Yu 6-2, 6-3; Ramachandran def. Nicholas Schwartz 2-6, 6-0, 7-5.
Consolation championship: Joel Siegel def. Ian Petty 7-5, 6-1.

14-and under
Championship match: Kevin Karoub def. Aniket Patil 6-0, 6-0.
Semifinal matches: Aniket Patil def. Jesse Iken 4-6, 6-4, 6-4; Kevin Karoub def. Daniel Yu 6-2, 6-0.

12-and under
Championship match: Andrew Cahn def. Connor DeFioro 6-2, 6-4.
Semifinal matches: DeFioro def. Jonathan Zhou 6-3, 6-3; Cahn def. Stephen Payne 6-0, 6-1.

10 and under
Championship match: Kevin Renehan def. Sam Cawood 6-1, 6-2.
Semifinal matches: Cawood def. Pavan Rao 6-2, 6-1; Renehan def. Tristan Kattenberg 6-0, 6-2.
Consolation championship: David Herrera def. Peter Hariri 6-4, 6-2.

GIRLS RESULTS

18 and under
Championship match: Amanda Moccia def. Jennifer Halbert 6-1, 6-3.
Semifinal matches: Halbert def. Samantha Caldwell 6-2, 6-1; Moccia def. Megan Lamothe 7-6(6), 6-4.
Consolation championship: Arathi Mohan def. Kathleen Bedard (Canton) 6-2, 6-2.

16-and under
Championship match: Karen Karoub def. Austin Lavallu 7-5, 6-3.
Semifinal matches: Karoub def. Kaitlyn Pfeiffer 6-3, 6-0; Lavallu def. Kalyan Kabasa 6-3, 6-0.
Consolation championship: Derylann Trout def. Jamie Harnack 6-0, 6-0.

14-and under
Championship match: Chloe Karoub def. Brittney Turner 6-0, 6-0.
Semifinal matches: Turner def. Anna Davis 6-2, 6-4; Karoub def. Kaitlyn Sykes 6-0, 6-0.
Consolation championship: Kelsey Geppner def. Michelle Mac 6-0, 6-4.

12-and under
Championship match: Katelyn Blumberg def. Courtney Lymburner 6-4, 6-0.
Semifinal matches: Lymburner def. Maya Hicks 6-1, 6-1; Blumberg def. Emma Manuel 6-2, 6-3.
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■ **FOOTBALL** (Coach, Bob Snell) - varsity and junior varsity practices will begin 8 a.m. Monday, Aug. 8 at Thurston

■ **BOYS GOLF** (Coach Brian Bedard) - 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 11 at Warren Valley Golf Course

■ **GIRLS BASKETBALL** (Varsity Coach Bob Ostrowski, Junior Varsity Coach Van Elst, Freshman Coach TBA) - varsity, JV, freshman practices begin at 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15 in Thurston's main gymnasium

■ **GIRLS, BOYS CROSS COUNTRY** (Coach Jeff Burger) - Both teams will meet at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 15 in front of the

high school

■ **BOYS SOCCER** (Varsity Coach Kevin Spier, JV Coach Bobrovetski) - Practice begins 11 a.m. Monday, Aug. 15 for both teams at Thurston's practice soccer field

■ **GIRLS SWIMMING** (Coach Samantha Brand) - Practice begins 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 15 at the Thurston pool

■ **GIRLS TENNIS** (Coach TBA) - Practice will begin Monday, Aug. 15 at an undisclosed time at the high school tennis courts

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- Tim Smith



Go Gladiators!

The 8-Under Garden City Gladiators captured first place in their division at a Farmington youth baseball tournament held June 25-26. The Gladiators followed that up with a second-place finish at a subsequent tourney and then competed last weekend at the Pinto World Series. Pictured back row (from left) are coach Tony Widmer, coach Jim Montrouy, manager Dave Ferracciolo and coach Jack Murray. In the middle row (from left) are Bryan Widmer, Alex Calhoun, Tyler Harnos, Austin Gonzalez, Brendan Ferracciolo, Brendan Spehar and Kyle Murray. Seated in the front row (from left) are Brandon Richards, Nick Montrouy, Sheldon Varhol, Zack Fritz and Jake Press. Not pictured is Zack Sheehan.

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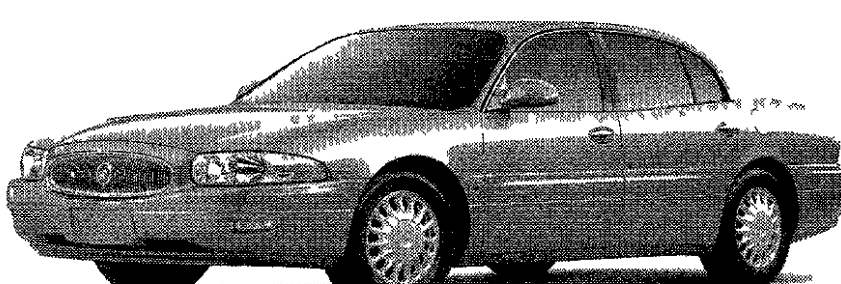
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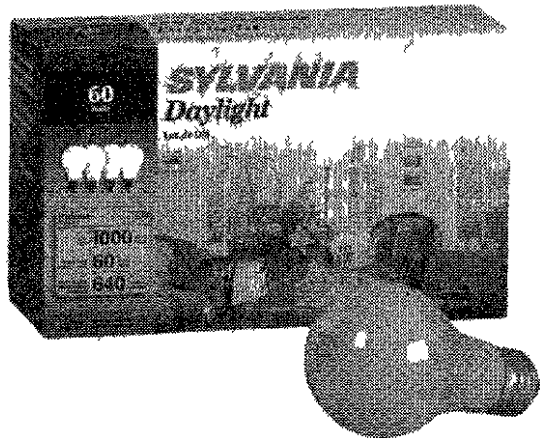
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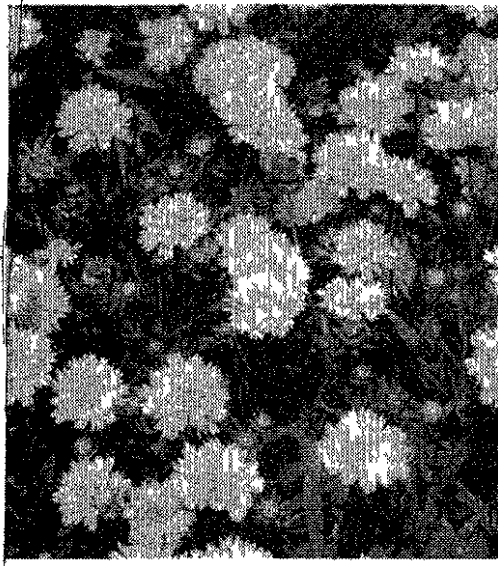
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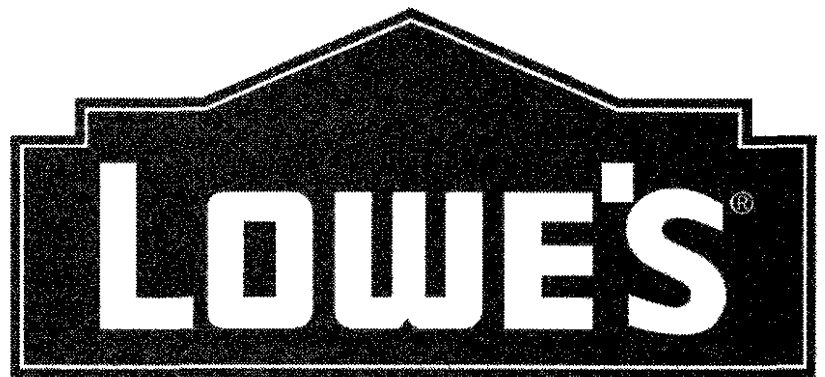


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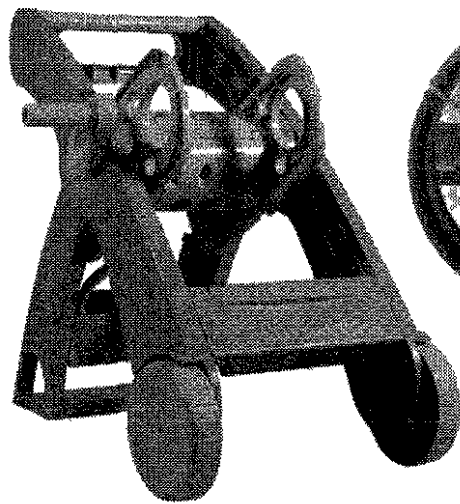
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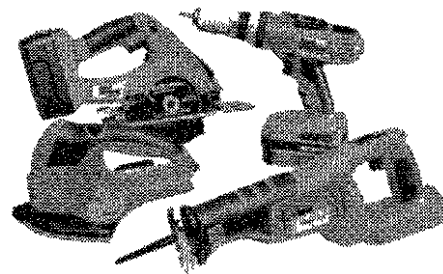
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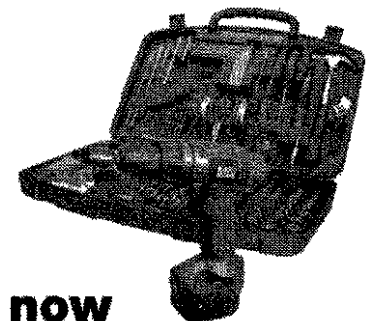


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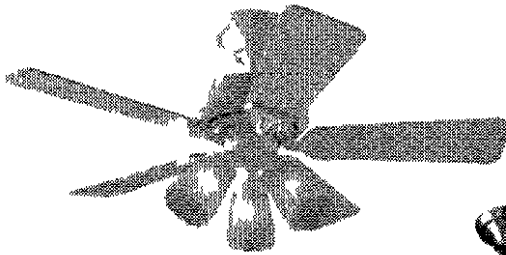
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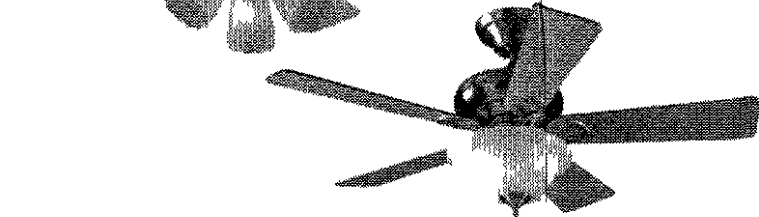
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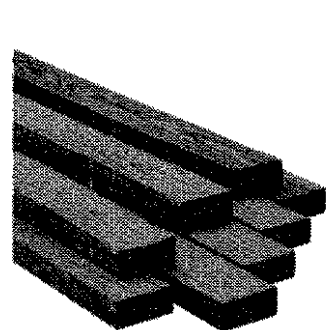
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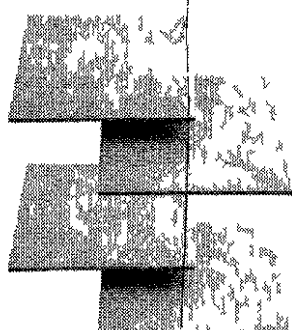
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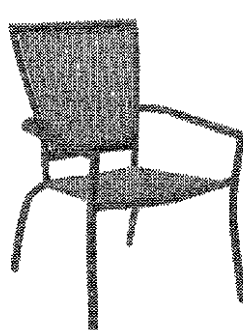
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Bel Aire Lanes might be gone, but long-time memories remain

Anyone who has recently driven down Orchard Lake Road just south of Ten Mile Road in Farmington would most likely have noticed the old Bel Aire Lanes, or what now remains of it



Ten Pin Alley

Al Harrison

The roof is badly damaged by fire, and the rest of the building doesn't look so good, either but those sky blue mosaic tiles that adorned the outer walls of the building somehow survived the blaze that occurred on July 6. Although the cause of the fire is uncertain, Farmington Fire Marshall Ted Warthman stated, "There were some fireworks in the immediate area the night before and it could have been started from some

still-smouldering sky rockets landing on the roof." Fortunately for all concerned parties, there were no injuries and the bowling lanes and pinsetters had already been removed as the building was being prepared for a remodeling job.

Those of us who have bowled there in years past might have some fond memories of the many really good leagues that had called Bel Aire Lanes their home way back when.

I had bowled in a very good Senior House league in 1989-90 averaging 187 and 192 in the following season. My high game there in 1990 was 258 which I hit twice on consecutive weeks. Hall-of-Famer Fred Vitale was in that league along with Ted Kress, Terry Chase, Roger Troke, Mike Clancy and so many more.

Jim and Julie Misaros bowled together in the Farmington Odd Couples League for many years and Julie bowled in the Ladies Spares and Strikes league for 25 years, scoring a

high game of 258 and 593 series along the way. Talk to almost anyone who grew up in Farmington or Farmington Hills, chances are pretty good that they spent some of their childhood and adolescent years hanging around these lanes, learning to bowl or attending one of those memorable birthday parties or corporate outings.

The Winkels were very supportive of local charities, having conducted many fund-raisers over the years for various charities. Built in 1958, it was first owned and operated by Leone and Sons.

Bel Aire enjoyed the great years of bowling when this sport was the "in" thing to do everywhere.

Purchased in 1960 by Bill Winkel, the 24 lanes were some of the busiest in this area during the heyday of bowling.

Many of this area's finest bowlers called it their home base, and about 15 years ago the manager's job was taken over by Bill Winkel's sons, Mike

and Dan. In recent years, the league numbers had declined but in 2000 the Winkels decided to invest a quarter of a million dollars in upgrading the facility. Too bad they couldn't expand the parking lot, for that was one of the problems over the years, just not enough parking space to accommodate a house full of leagues.

The location of the building had become more valuable than the business itself, and when the right offer to buy came along and league numbers continued to decline, the Winkel family decided to sell the building and equipment.

The old lanes are now somewhere in Florida.

The house was shut down around the first of April, with an agreement to purchase by Barman LLC in Northville with their plans in place to remodel and turn the property into an office facility.

Rodger Barton of Barman LLC which bought the 2,000 square-foot

building said he already had two purchase agreements in hand from prospective owners and strong interest from others. The building will have about eight office suites that will be owner-occupied mostly by doctors and other professionals.

Remember West Bloomfield Lanes on Orchard Lake Road? Deja vu, same old story, the property had become too valuable for other purposes, in that case, it was Barnes & Noble who made them an offer they couldn't refuse.

At this point in time the building still stands as a monument to the good old days, but whether it will be rebuilt or remodeled is yet to be determined.

It may turn out that the last ball thrown at Bel Aire would be a wrecking ball.

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

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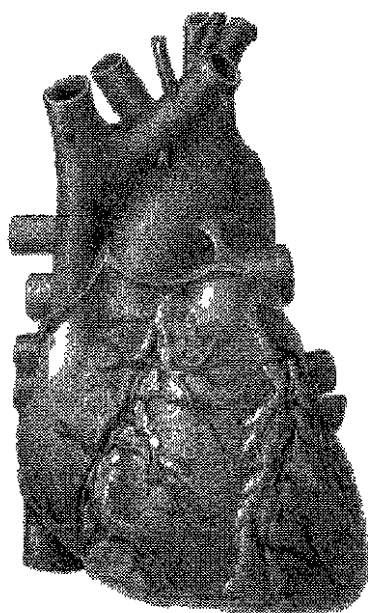
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Young golfer's wait pays off with victory



Plymouth resident Brendan Muir 13 finished first in his age group at the Mejer Junior Golf event held July 1 at Fox Hills Golf Course in Plymouth. Muir fired a 78 to edge the runner-up by two shots. He is holding a framed pin flag that was presented to all the first-place finishers.

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Brendan Muir had no problems driving, chipping and putting July 1 during round in the Mejer Junior Golf Tour at Fox Hills Golf Course.

It was the waiting that turned out to be the hardest part for the 13-year-old Plymouth resident.

I teed off to start the round in the middle of the group, so I had to wait about 30 minutes for everybody to get in, recalled Muir, who carded a sterling 78 on the challenging Fox Hills layout. "It was agonizing whenever someone would come in and they'd write their score on the board. I thought I had a pretty good chance to finish in the top three, but there were a lot of good golfers there, so I didn't think I'd finish first."

The agonizing wait paid off for Muir, who recorded his first Mejer Tour victory by two shots over Nov's Joe Fransten. The win earned him a framed pin flag and, more importantly, qualified the soon-to-be eighth grader at Plymouth's Our Lady of Good Counsel for a berth in the tour's championship tournament on Aug. 1-2.

"Two of Brendan's uncles (Kevin and Ed Muir) are golf pros, so he definitely got the Muir genes when it comes to golf," said Michelle Muir, Brendan's mom. "He was in a groove that day at Fox Hills. He didn't make many mistakes, which is the key to winning."

Muir's best performance in his three years of competing on the Mejer Tour came a few weeks after he attended the prestigious David Leadbetter Golf Academy in Bradenton,

Fla. Leadbetter is a famed golf instructor who has molded the swings of Tiger Woods and Michelle Wie, among others.

Going down there helped my game a lot," Muir said. "The most important things I learned were about the mental part of the game. They teach you how to go on after you hit a bad shot and keep grinding for the next shot. They also changed a few things with my swing. It was uncomfortable at first, but after about a day-and-a-half at the school, I started to get used to my new swing."

Michelle Muir said her son's passion for golf may earn him a return trip to the Leadbetter school next summer.

"He only went for one week this year, and they recommend two," she said. "But he scores have improved about 10 shots from last year. Some of that

improvement is due to the fact that he's grown, but a lot of it is from what he learned at the school."

Brendan said he wants to go to the school for two weeks next year, and that he'll even help pay for some of it.

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Eligible Whalers looking forward to NHL draft

The tentative agreement between the National Hockey League owners and the NHL players association was good news for four Plymouth Whalers, who can now look forward to the NHL Entry Draft, which will be held later this summer.

The draft was originally scheduled for June, but was put on hold due to the labor unrest. Among the Whalers' probable draftees is James Neal, 17, a forward who tallied 18 goals and 26 assists in 67 games during the 2004-05 season.

It will take a while, but

when Neal becomes an NHLer, he will become a very good one, is how a recently published International Scouting Services draft guide described Neal's pro potential. Neal is one of the most unheralded two-way forwards available. He is far more willing to go into traffic and has effectively done that (throughout the 2004-05 season).

The guide compared Neal to current NHL player Shane Doan.

Ondrej Poteenas is one of the newest Whalers, having been drafted by the team in the

Canadian Hockey League Import Draft on June 29. The 18-year-old native of Slovakia made great strides for HK Dukla Trenchin in Slovakia last season, solidifying his NHL future.

Dan Collins, Kyle Lawson

and Ryan McGinnis are three other Plymouth players who figure to join teammates Vaclav Medl (third round, Nashville, in 2004) and Gino Pisellini (fifth round, Philadelphia, 2004) as NHL draftees.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. August 4th 2005 for the following:

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

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that the

Special Wayne County Election

Will be held in the City of Plymouth, County of Wayne, State of Michigan on

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2005

From 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon Eastern Standard Time for the purpose of a county millage renewal for Wayne County Parks also known as **County Proposition P, Parks Millage Renewal** as follows:

"To renew the millage authorized in 2000 shall Wayne County continue to levy this millage at the estimated 2005 rollback rate of 2459 (about 25 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for five more years (2006 through 2010) to continue to improve and operate several parks and related facilities including major improvements to Hines Park, Elizabeth Park, Chandler Park and Fort Wayne on the condition that, for any year for which this increased levy would be imposed, Wayne County must budget from other sources an amount equal to its 1995-96 fiscal year appropriation for Parks? This renewal is projected to generate \$11,879,207 in 2006.

Yes _____
No _____

As of May 25, 2005, the total of all voted increases in excess of the Constitutional fifteen mill tax rate limitation and the years such increases are effective are as follows affecting the taxable property of Wayne County:

WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2005 thru 2009
Wayne County	August 6, 1974	1 mill	2005 Indefinitely
Regional Educational	November 8, 1988	1 mill	2005 Indefinitely
Service Agency	August 6, 2002	1.5 mills	2005 Indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 6, 2002	1 mill	2005 thru 2010
Wayne County Parks	August 8, 2000	0.25	2005
Wayne County Community College	November 3, 1998 November 6, 2001	1 mill 1.5 mills	2002 Indefinitely 2005 thru 2010

OTHER TAXING AUTHORITIES

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
Schoolcraft Community College	March 1, 1986	0.5 mills	Unlimited

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
Plymouth Canton Community Schools (Wayne & Washtenaw Counties)	June 1995	18 mills	2005 (non homestead)

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 Precinct #04 Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer Street

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LINDA J. LANGMESSER
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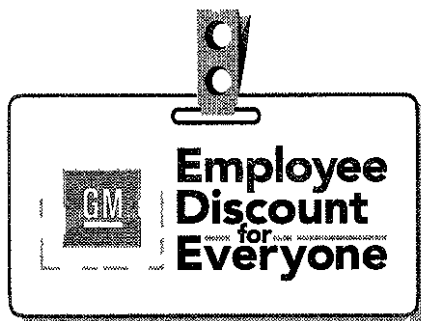
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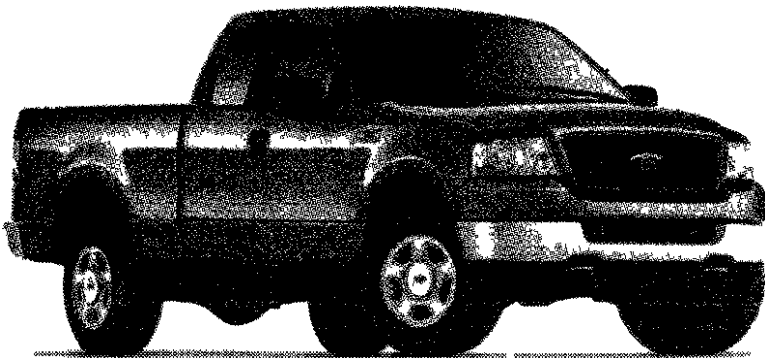
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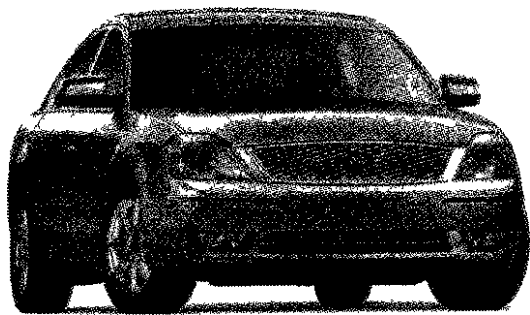
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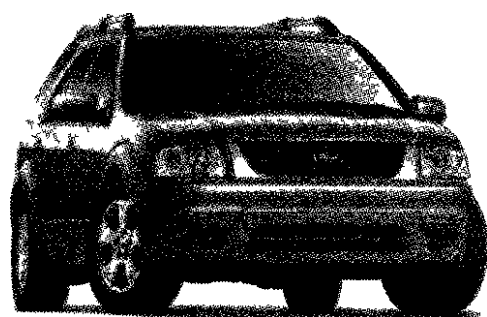
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O&E golf tourney tees off Aug. 13 Walters named new CC baseball coach

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The event annually attracts many of the area's top amateur golfers, who will be shooting to unseat defending men's champion Gary Kraus and defend-

ing women's medalist Janina Jacobs Kraus, who carries a 1 handicap, fired a 36-hole total of 145 (one-over par), which was two shots lower than runner-up Matt Lee in the 2004 championship flight.

Jacobs captured the women's 18-hole title with an impressive 76, besting second-place finisher Molly Gibson by seven strokes.

The men's 36-hole medal-

play tournament will kick off Aug. 13 with an 18-hole round at Whispering Willows Golf Course. It will conclude with Sunday's 18-hole second round at Fox Creek.

The entry fee is \$95 (cart not included) and the maximum handicap allowed is 20. All participants must have a current U.S.G.A. index in order to play.

The 18-hole women's tournament will be held Aug. 13 at

Whispering Willows. The entry fee is \$50 (cart not included).

Entries for both the men's and women's tournaments are due no later than 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6. The field will be limited to the first 200 golfers who register.

For more information, call (248) 476-4493. Entry forms can be picked up at Whispering Willows and Fox Creek golf courses.

He has served as varsity assistant in positions at Riverview Gabriel Richard (1984-85), Allen Park Cabrini (1986) and Dearborn Divine Child (1987-95) before coming to CC where he coached the JV squad for one season (1997) before moving up to assist Salter.

"I've been coaching a long time and CC is a great place to be because of the student-athletes and its tradition," Walters said. "I'm excited to have the opportunity and hopefully I can continue to help players not only get to the next level collegiately and perhaps go even beyond that."

Walters' record as an assistant is 511-124-1. And only a few summers ago, he guided the Concealed Security Dodgers to consecutive third-place finishes in the elite division of the national tournament.

"I am lucky to have coached under some of the finest coaches in Michigan on an amateur level," Walters said. "They have been wonderful mentors and have given me significant responsibility to hone my skill as a baseball coach. Each of the people I have coached with have given me a specific area to work in. This has provided me with tremendous confidence in my ability to develop a successful high school baseball program."

Walters is already putting together a staff and has been in contact with some of his former players. Several members of his 1997 JV team at CC went on to help the Shamrocks win the Division I state title in 1999.

BY BRAD EMONS
STAFF WRITER

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Motor City Chiefs tryouts

The 2005 Motor City Chiefs U13 travel baseball team will be holding tryouts for the 2006 season on Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 7 p.m., and Saturday, Aug. 13, at 10 a.m. at UAW Field, which is located at 48055 Michigan Ave. in Canton (one-quarter mile west of Beck Rd.).

The Chiefs are an elite travel team looking for high-quality players to complete their roster. The team is independent, so there are no residency restrictions and it has its own field.

Due to new age eligibility rules, players can play U13 if they were born between May 1, 1992, and April 31, 1993. Coaching and team manager opportunities are available.

For more information and to confirm tryouts, send an e-mail to MayGer22@comcast.net.

Hockey tryouts

The Michigan Hurricanes Midget A hockey team is seeking players born in 1989 and 1990 for its upcoming season. The team skates at Compuware Sports Arena on Tuesdays from 6:10 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on Sundays from 12:10 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. with a third time to be determined.

Tryouts will be held July 25 and 26 at Suburban Training Center from 9-10:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Head Coach Lee McCarty at McCarty1984@comcast.net, or call McCarty at (734) 392-0888.

Mallon to host annual golf outing

Ladies Professional Golfers Association veteran Meg Mallon, a 1981 graduate of Farmington Hills Mercy High School, will headline the list of players at the 15th Annual Mercy High School Meg Mallon Golf Outing set for Aug. 15 at Plymouth Township's Fox Hills Golf Course.

Money raised by the outing will benefit the school's technology program.

Twenty-four years after hitting her first drive for the Mercy golf team, Mallon continues to support the program by hosting the annual event. The day's agenda includes golf, lunch, a post-outing cocktail reception and dinner with Mallon, and a number of prizes that will be raffled off.

Participants have the option

of playing the 18-hole championship Golden Fox Course in the morning with breakfast, golf and lunch with Mallon for \$195, or lunch with Mallon, 18 holes of golf in the afternoon and an invitation to an emceed dinner/auction by WDIV's Steve Garagola for \$275.

Mallon has enjoyed a stellar professional career since joining the LPGA 19 years ago. She has posted 18 career wins, four of which were major championships, including back-to-back wins at the 2004 U.S. Women's Open and Canadian Women's Open.

In 1991, after Mallon captured the U.S. Women's Open for the first time, she was named Female Player of the Year by the Golf Writers Association of America. In 2000, she was recognized as one of the LPGA's top 50 players and teachers, and in 2002, Mallon was inducted into the Michigan Golf Hall of Fame.

For golf reservations, hole sponsorships or other information on the outing, contact Erin Carlesmo at (248) 476-8020, ext. 1253, or visit www.mhsmi.org.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a Special Election, Wayne County Parks Millage Renewal will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Tuesday August 2 2005 from 7 00 A M to 8 00 P M , at which time, voters will vote on the following proposition:

PROPOSAL P PARKS MILLAGE RENEWAL

"To renew the millage authorized in 2000, shall Wayne County continue to levy this millage at the estimated 2005 rollback rate of .2459 (about 25 cents per \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for five more years (2006 through 2010) to continue to improve and operate several parks and related facilities, including major improvements to Hines Park, Elizabeth Park, Chandler Park, and Fort Wayne on the condition that, for any year for which this increased levy would be imposed, Wayne County must budget from other sources an amount equal to its 1995-96 fiscal year appropriation for Parks? This renewal is projected to generate \$11, 879,207 in 2006."

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, **RAYMOND J. WOJTOWICZ**, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of May 25, 2005 the total of all voted increases in excess of the Constitutional fifteen mill tax rate limitation and the years such increases are effective are as follows affecting the taxable property of Wayne County:

WAYNE COUNTY Wayne County, Michigan

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	August 8 2000	1 mill	2005 thru 2009
Wayne County	August 6 1974	1 mill	2005 Indefinitely
Regional Educational Service Agency	November 8, 1988	1 mill	2005 Indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 6, 2002	1 5 mills	2005 thru 2010
Wayne County Parks	August 8 2002	0 25 mills	2005
Wayne County	November 3 1998	1 mill	2002 Indefinitely
Community College	November 6 2001	1 5 mills	2005 thru 2010

OTHER TAXING AUTHORITIES

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
Schoolcraft Community College	March 1 1986	0 5 mills	Unlimited

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
Plymouth Canton Community Schools (Wayne & Washtenaw Counties)	June 1995	18 mills	2005 (non homest)
Van Buren Township Schools (Wayne & Washtenaw Counties)	October, 2001 June 1998	18 mills 1 30 mills	2005 thru 2006 (non homest)
Wayne - Westland	June, 1995 February 2003	18 mills 1 mill	2005 thru 2009 (non homest) 2005 thru 2012

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Election will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 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
5 & 31	Crescent Academy	40440 Palmer Rd
6	Royal Holiday Clubhouse	39500 Warren Road
7	Salem High School	46181 Joy Road
8	Resurrection Parish Church	48755 Warren Road
9 & 34	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N Haggerty Road
11 & 19	Tonda Elementary School	46501 Warren Road
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	1100S 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	48000 Summit Parkway
28	Agape Christian School	45081 Geddes
18 & 29	Field Elementary School	1000 S Haggerty
30	Metttetal 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, July 30, 2005 for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday, August 1, 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, August 2, 2005.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's office at 394 5121 prior to Election Day. Internet look up is available by going to www.canton.mi.org.

Terry G Bennett, Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 02, 2005

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the Charter Township of Plymouth, on Tuesday August 02, 2005 from 7 00 a m until 8 00 p m at which time the following will be voted on:

WAYNE COUNTY PROPOSITION P PARKS MILLAGE RENEWAL

To renew the millage authorized in 2000 shall Wayne County continue to levy this millage at the estimated 2005 rollback rate of 2459 (about 25 cents per \$1 000 of taxable valuation) for five more years (2006 through 2010) to continue to improve and operate several parks and related facilities, including major improvements to Hines Park, Elizabeth Park, Chandler Park and Fort Wayne on the condition that for any year for which this increased levy would be imposed Wayne County must budget from other sources an amount equal to its 1995 96 fiscal year appropriation for Parks? This renewal is projected to generate \$11 879,207 in 2006

YES _____ NO _____

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PROPOSAL POLICE AND FIRE MILLAGE RENEWAL

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 mls, be renewed at 1 6348 mills (\$1 6348 per \$1,000 of taxable value) for the period 2006 through 2015, 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 \$3 094 013. This is a renewal of the police and fire millage presently being levied

YES _____ NO _____

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH PROPOSAL POLICE AND FIRE MILLAGE INCREASE

Shall the tax limitation on general ad valorem taxes within the Charter Township of Plymouth imposed under Article IX, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution be increased for said Township by 0 5631 mills (0 5631 per \$1 000 of taxable value) for the period of 2006 through 2015, 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 \$1,065,720

YES _____ NO _____

STATEMENT REQUIRED BY ACT 278 OF PUBLIC ACTS OF 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increase	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	August 8 2000	1 mill	2005 thru 2009
Wayne County Educational Service Agency	August 6 1974 November 8 1988 August 6, 2002	1 mill 1 mill 1 5 mills	2005 Indefinitely 2005 Indefinitely 2005 Indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 6 2002	1 mill	2005 thru 2010
Wayne County Parks	August 8 2000	0 25 mills	2005
Schoolcraft Community College	March 1, 1986	0 5 mill	Unlimited
Plymouth Township	November 1 2001 November 1 1985	1 mill 2 mills	2021 2005
Plymouth Canton Community Schools (Wayne & Washtenaw Counties)	June 1995	18 mills	2005 (non homest)

All polling locations in the Township of Plymouth are accessible to the elderly and the handicapped

Polling locations are as follows:

Precinct	Location	Address
Precinct 1	Farrand School	41400 Greenbriar Ln
Precinct 2	Friendship Station	42375 Schoolcraft Rd
Precinct 3	Township Clerk's Office (this election only)	42350 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 4	Township Clerk's Office	42350 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 5	West Middle School (this election only)	44401 Ann Arbor Tr
Precinct 6	West Middle School	44401 Ann Arbor Tr
Precinct 7	Living Word Church	46500 N Territorial Rd
Precinct 8	St. Kenneth's Catholic Church	14851 Haggerty Rd
Precinct 9	Church of the Nazarene	45801 Ann Arbor Rd
Precinct 10	Friegel 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
Precinct 17	North Ridge Church	49555 N Territorial Rd

Applications for absentee ballots for Plymouth Township registered voters may be obtained at 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Building #3 Plymouth MI 48170. Phone number 354 3224. Absentee ballots will be delivered to qualified absentee voters in person at the Clerk's Office from 8 00 a m to 2 00 p m , on Saturday July 30. On Monday August 1, qualified voters shall receive their ballots, and vote them in the Clerk's Office until 4 00 p m.

Marilyn Massengill, CMC
Clerk Charter Township of Plymouth

Proud performance

The Plymouth-Canton Pride 16U softball team finished third at the Millington (Mich.) Fast-pitch Softball Tournament July 9-10. The team is also faring well in the Western Wayne County Softball League, having built a 7-1 record with four regular-season games remaining. Pictured above are (front row l-r) Kristin Callahan, Stephanie Sadek, Kimmy Keppen, Laura Ditzler (middle row l-r) Nicole Ambrose, Lauren Russell, Ally Ciotti, Katie Bailey, (back row l-r) Coach Brent Ditzler, Brittany Gnida, Samantha Kjellstrom, Coach Tom Ciotti, Kristen Warnick and Head Coach Mike Callahan. Not pictured are Hannah Dillon, Natalie Maurer and Caia Moore.



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX Division Docket No. 05A0128AC

In the Matter Of DAKOTA GRACE THOMSON ALLING, minor

CITATION
M.G.L. c. 210, § 6

To VERLIN J NANGLE last known of CANTON, MICHIGAN and/or any unknown or unnamed father, and/or persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Social Services of said Commonwealth

A petition has been presented to said court by KURT L. KLEEFELD and SARAH T. KLEEFELD formerly known as SARAH T. ALLING of MARLBOROUGH in the County of MIDDLESEX praying for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to DAKOTA GRACE THOMSON KLEEFELD

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT MIDDLESEX PROBATE & FAMILY COURT, 208 CAMBRIDGE ST., CAMBRIDGE, MA. 02141 ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON AUGUST 19, 2005

WITNESS HON ROBERT W LANGLOIS ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court as CAMBRIDGE this day, July 6, 2005

John R. Buonomo
Register of Probate

ORDER OF NOTICE

It is ordered that notice of said proceeding be given by mailing to the Department of Social Services and by delivering in hand and if in hand service cannot be accomplished, then by mailing by certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy of the foregoing citation to said persons fourteen days at least before said return date and if service is made by mail unless it shall appear that all persons interested have received actual notice by publishing a copy thereof in the CANTON OBSERVER 734-459-2700 a newspaper published in MICHIGAN publication to be once in each of three consecutive weeks the last publication to be seven days at least before said return day

WITNESS HON ROBERT W LANGLOIS ESQUIRE First Justice of said Court this day July 6 2005

John R. Buonomo
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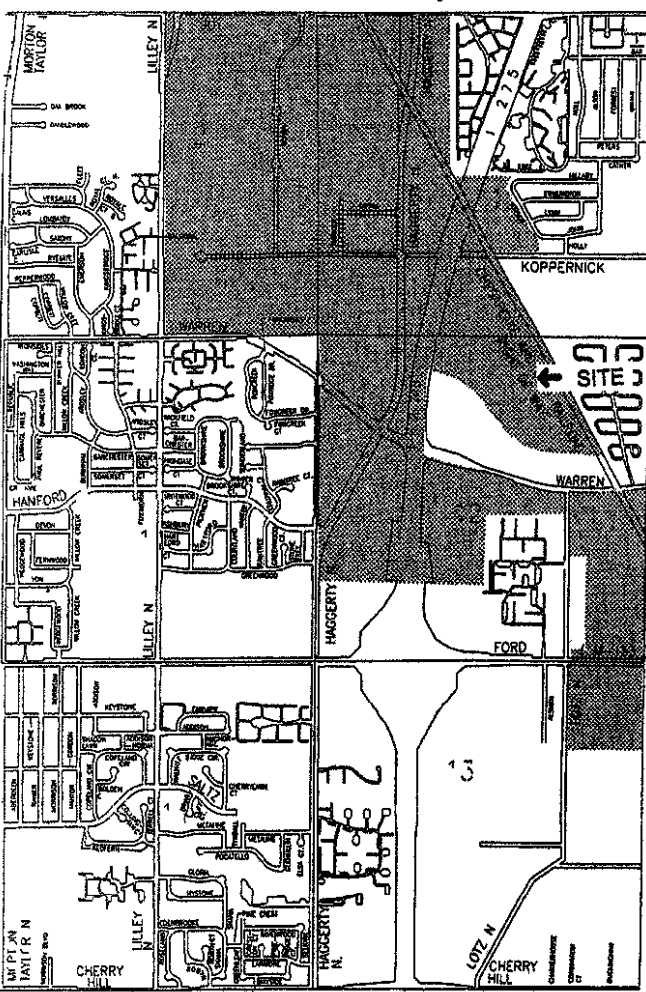
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, August 9, 2005, at 7:00 PM in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S Canton Center Road, as a part of its regular meeting

The purpose of the public hearing will be to consider a request from Lotus International Company for an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate for real and personal property for a new facility to be located at 6880 Commerce Boulevard within the Northeast Canton Industrial Development District, the legal description of which is as follows

Northeast Canton Industrial Development District

Site Location Map



Part of the northeast 1/4 of section 12, town 2, south, range 8 east, Canton Township Wayne County, Michigan, described as follows: Beginning north 88 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds east 328 56 feet and south 02 degrees 06 minutes 46 seconds east 264 54 feet from the north 1/4 corner of section 12, thence north 54 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds east 630 75 feet, thence south 31 degrees 24 minutes 52 seconds east 656 944 feet, thence south 89 degrees 06 minutes 54 seconds east 952 33 feet, thence north 02 degrees 06 minutes 46 seconds west 566 00 feet to the point of beginning 10 28 acres

Terry G Bennett
Clerk

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings - July 12, 2005

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, July 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 Durack, Director Santomauro, Director Conklin Director Faas Staff Absent Director Minghne Adoption of Agenda Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the amended agenda adding to the General Calendar Item G 6 Reallocation of capital funds to purchase Microsoft SQL Server Software Motion carried unanimously Approval of Minutes Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to approve the Board Study Minutes of June 14, 2005 Motion carried unanimously Payment of Bills Motion by Kirchgatter, supported by Bennett to approve payment of the bills as presented Motion carried unanimously Expenditure Recap for July 12, 2005 General Fund 101 \$735,006.43, Fire Fund 206 100,231.48, Police Fund 207 145,908.14, Summit Operating 208 91,680.21, Street Lighting 219 18,511.39, Cable TV Fund 230 2,733.96 Twp Improvement 246 9,208.88, E-911 Utility 261 324.66 Auto Forfeiture(wva) 267 5,279.35, Federal Grants Fund 274 888.00, Auto Theft Grant 289 923.92, Golf Fund 584 39,691.94, Water & Sewer Fund 592 727,426.37, Trust & Agency Fund 701 5,877.00, Const Escrow 702 13,403.00, Post Employ Benefits 736 37,676.48 Saltz Road Paving 803 4,628.71 Total - All Funds 1,938,899.42

CONSENT CALENDAR, Item 1. ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY ROAD CLOSURE PERMIT (PSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to adopt the resolution for an annual Block Party Road closure permit from Wayne County Motion carried unanimously Item 2. P3 CROSS EASEMENT AND PARKING AGREEMENT (LSD) Motion by Bennett supported by Kirchgatter to authorize the approval and signing of the P3 Cross Easement and Parking Agreement between P3 Enterprises, LLC, parcel no 131 01 0014 000, 43897 Nowland Dr and Canton Township Motion carried unanimously CROSS EASEMENT AND PARKING AGREEMENT This Cross Easement and Parking Agreement ("Agreement") is made as of this 12th day of July 2005 by and between P3 ENTERPRISES, LLC, a Michigan limited liability company, ("P3") doing business at 43897 Nowland Dr, Canton Michigan, 48188 and the Charter Township of Canton, A Michigan Municipal Corporation ("CANTON") doing business at 1150 Clanton Center South, Canton, Michigan, 48188, (the foregoing Parties hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Parties") AARON JADE D/B/A AJJ RENTAL PROPERTIES OF 31800 Northwestern Highway, Suite 207, Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334 is a consenting party to the grant of this Cross Easement and Parking Agreement Item 3. APPOINT OFFICER DELEGATE TO MERS, (ACSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to appoint Dan Durack as Canton Township's Officer Delegate Representative to the MERS Annual Meeting and to appoint Dave Medley as the Officer Alternate These appointments are to become effective immediately and to continue until rescinded by the Township Board Motion carried unanimously Item 4. SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR LOTUS INTERNATIONAL COMPANY INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE APPLICATION, (SUPERVISOR) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to set the public hearing for August 9 2005 to consider the Industrial Facilities Exemption application of Lotus International Company for their new facility to be located at 6880 Commerce Boulevard, Canton, Michigan Motion carried unanimously GENERAL CALENDAR: Item 1. FINAL SITE PLAN FOR THE HAMLET, PHASE 2, (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adopt the resolution for final site plan Phase 2 of the Hamlet Motion carried unanimously RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON Final Site Plan, Phase 2 of The Hamlet WHEREAS, the Project Sponsor, Mr John Schandavel, has requested approval of the final site plan for Phase 2 of The Hamlet, located West of Denton Road, north and south of Proctor Road, (the entire PDD is identified by Tax ID #'s 075 99 0012 000, 075 99 0013 000 075 99 0014 000, 076 99 0001 000, 076 99 0006 000, 076 99 0007 704 117 99 0003 701, 118 99 0001 000, 118 99 0002 000 118 99 0003 000 118 99 0004 000 118 99 0005 000, 120 99 0001 000) and WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed the final site plan and made a recommendation to APPROVE the request to grant final site plan approval 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 John Schandavel, to approve the preliminary site plan for Phase 2 of The Hamlet, 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 2. REPLACE CLUBHOUSE FRONT DOORS AT FELLOWS CREEK GOLF CLUB, (LSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to award the purchase to remove and replace the front doors to the Clubhouse of Fellows Creek Golf Club to Danjo Construction, LLC, 5781 S Sheldon, Suite B Canton, MI 48188 in the amount of \$4,250 and approve the transfer of \$4,250 from the Community Improvement Fund to the Golf Course Fund I further move approve the following budget amendments for this transfer COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT FUND Increase Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance #246 000 699 0000 \$4,250 Increase Appropriations Transfer to Golf Course Fund #246-959-965 6840 \$4,250 This budget amendment increases the Community Center Fund budget from \$2,435,953 to \$2,440,203 GOLF COURSE FUND Increase Revenues Contribution from Community Impr Fund #584-000-676 5841 \$4,250 Increase Appropriations Capital Outlay-Buildings FCGC #584 697 976 0000 \$4,250 This budget amendment increases the Golf Course Fund budget from \$2,344,312 to \$2,348,562 Motion carried unanimously Item 3. APPROVE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT AND PURCHASE SECURITY SYSTEM FOR THE TEEN CENTER, (LSD) Motion by Bennett supported by McLaughlin to approve the General Fund budget amendment to the Recreation Budget Increase Revenues Appropriation from Fund Balance #101 000 699 0000 \$11,000 Increase Appropriations Capital Outlay Equipment #101 691 977 0000 \$11,000

This budget amendment increases the Recreation Division budget from \$2,222,201 to \$2,222,212, and the General Fund budget from \$28,089,317 to \$28,090,317 I also move to approve the purchase of the security system for the teen center in the amount of \$7,186.53 from A S C Security Systems, 2982 General Drive, Suite 110, Plymouth MI 48170 Motion carried unanimously Item 4. APPROVE PURCHASE OF CABLE STUDIO CAMERAS, (ACSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Kirchgatter to approve the bid from Duncan Video for \$49,548 (Account #230-250 977 0000 Cable TV Fund Capital Outlay) for the purchase of three (3) Hitachi Z4000W cameras and related equipment for the Cable Studio Motion carried unanimously Item 5. BROADCASTING OF ALL REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS, (T. CACCAMO) Motion by Bennett supported by Caccamo to adopt the resolution to broadcast all regular Board of Trustees meetings Roll Call Vote Ayes Bennett, Caccamo, LaJoy, McLaughlin Nays Kirchgatter, Yack Zarbo Motion carried RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WHEREAS, the Canton Township Board of Trustees has proclaimed that previously what were held as Study Sessions are now Regular Meetings per newly adopted Bylaws of 26 APR 05, and WHEREAS, the residents of Canton Township seek to remain fully informed of all Official Business before the Board, and WHEREAS, the Canton Township Board of Trustees believes that having the most open, disclosed and accessible meetings as possible is in the best interest of Canton citizens, which results in a better place to live NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Canton Board of Trustees authorizes and provides for the taping and airing of all Study Session/Regular Board Meetings (whether referred to as a Study Session or a Regular Board Meeting) on Canton's Local CATV station Item 6. REALLOCATION OF CAPITAL FUNDS TO PURCHASE MICROSOFT SQL SERVER SOFTWARE, (MSD) Motion by Bennett supported by LaJoy to approve the reallocation of surplus funds in the amount of \$6,536, from the following Capital accounts for the purpose of purchasing Microsoft SQL Server software for the CityView project Engineering Services Account # 101 447-977 2850, Computer Replacement \$4,640 Building Services, Account # 101 371 977 2850 Computer Replacement \$1,896 Roll Call Vote Ayes Bennett, Kirchgatter, LaJoy McLaughlin Yack, Zarbo Nays Caccamo Motion carried ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT: Robert McCausland spoke in support of the broadcasting of all regular meetings OTHER: Supervisor Yack stated there will be no study session on Tuesday, July 19, 2005 On Wednesday, July 20 2005 the Downtown Development Authority will have conduct a Special Joint Meeting with the Township Board and Planning Commission at 7:00 p.m. at 1150 Canton Center S Canton, Michigan, Administration Building, First Floor Board Room ADJOURN: Motion by Bennett, supported by Zarbo to adjourn at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried unanimously -- Thomas J Yack, Supervisor -- Terry G Bennett, Clerk

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

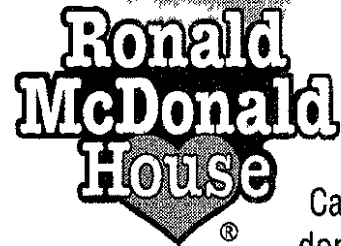
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Charter Township of Canton Public Notice of Accuracy Test

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the Election on Tuesday August 2 2005 The test will take place on Wednesday, July 27 at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, Township Administration Building 1150 South Canton Center Road This test is open to all interested parties For further information contact Clerk's Office at 734 394 5120

Terry Bennett Clerk

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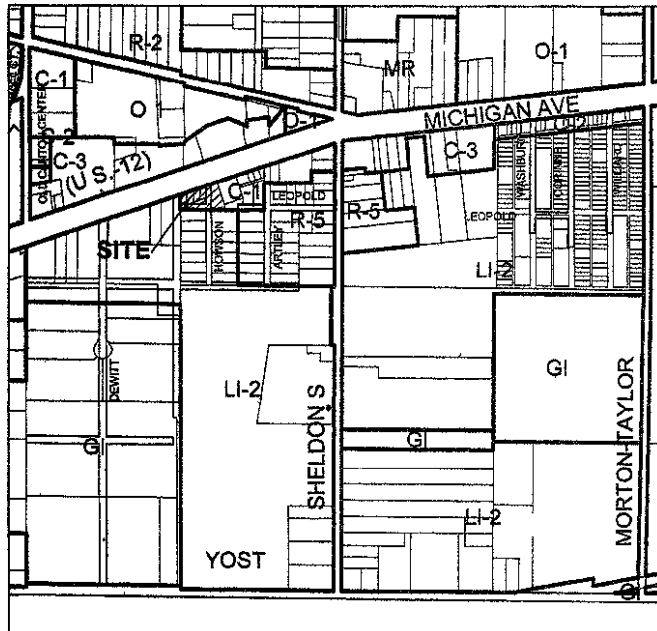
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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 of the State of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday July 25 2005 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

WASTE MANAGEMENT REZONING CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS 134 01 0030 001 134 01 0047 000 134 01 0048 001 134 01 0049 001 134 01 0050 001 AND 134 01 0051 001, INCLUDING THE LEOPOLD STREET RIGHT OF WAY FROM C-1 VILLAGE SHOPPING DISTRICT TO LI-2 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL Property is located south of Michigan between Sheldon and Canton Center Roads



SECTION 34



Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building 1150 Canton Center S prior to Thursday July 21 2005 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review

Vic Gustafson Chairman

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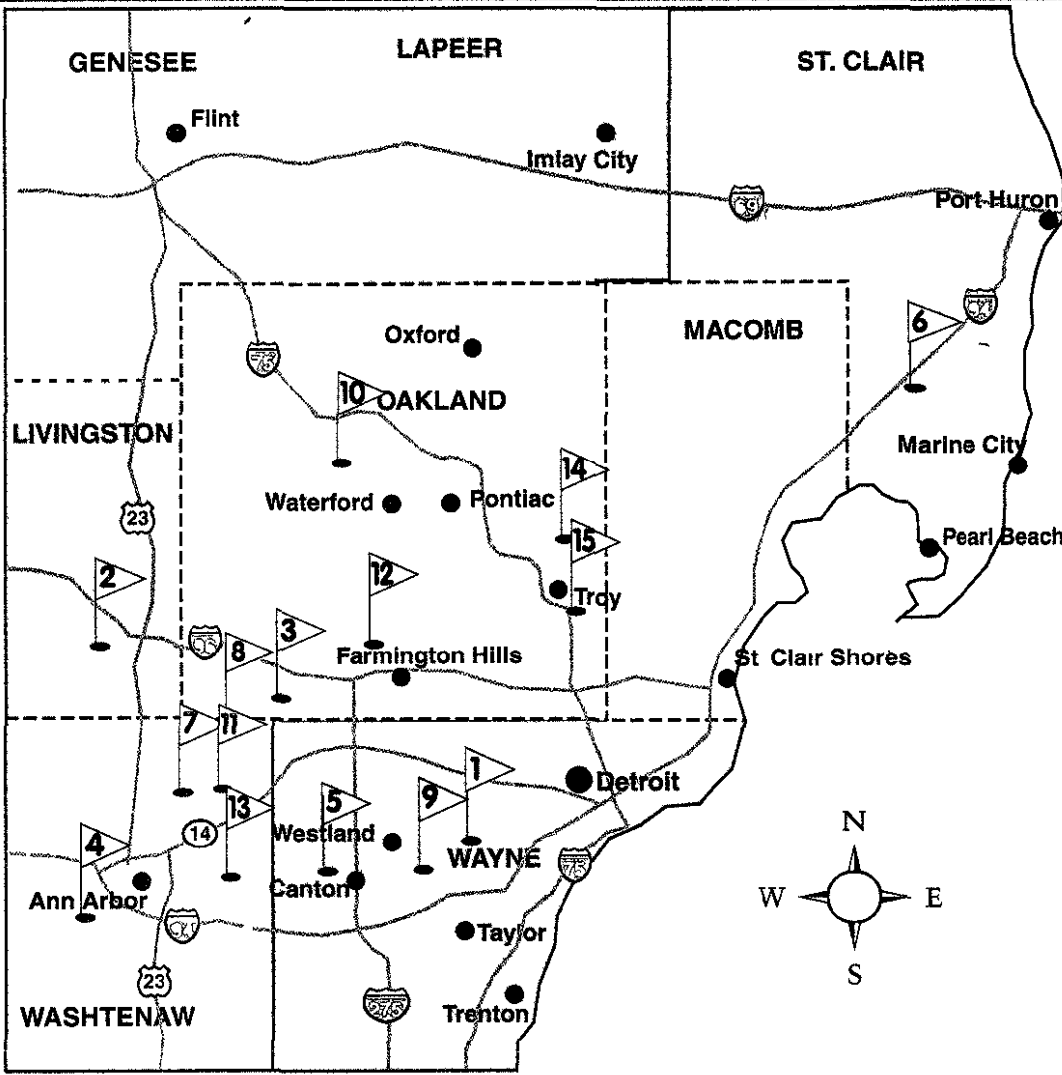
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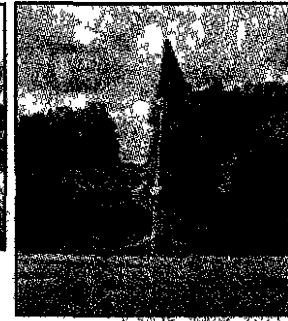
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Course Profile

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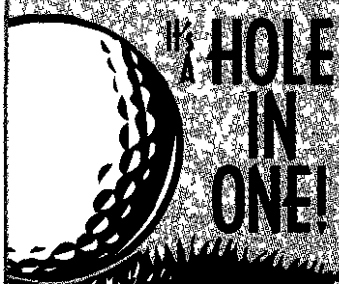
Located just 15 minutes southwest of Ann Arbor, Hickory Sticks sprawls over 180 acres of rolling meadows, dense forests, lush wetlands, several ball-eating ponds and HILLS...lots and lots of hills. You'll think you're up North.

Facilities include 18 Holes, 100% paved cart paths, PGA Pro Mike Robson, Pro Shop, 19th Hole Grill, putting and chipping greens, hitting nets and private meeting rooms.

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For more information check out the Directory below and visit www.hickorystick.org



Here is this week's list of who hit a Hole in One... and where!

Hickory Sticks
Rick Hoelt on 6/18/05
Hole #: 8 Par: 3
Club Used: 7 Iron
Witness: Chris Hoelt, Wendy Hoelt & Jennifer Hoelt

Ron Boehme on 6/1/05
Hole #: 17 Par: 3
Club Used: 7 Iron

Pete Burligh on 6/8/05
Hole #: 17 Par: 3
Club Used: 7 Wood
Witness: Dave Beranski & Pete Mosshart

Diane Heidrich on 7/10/05
Hole #: 6 Par: 3
Club Used: 6 Iron
Comments: Awesome baby!

Inkster Valley Golf Club
Jay Watkins on 7/14/05
Hole #: 1 Par: 3
Club Used: Pitching Wedge
Witness: Richard Reed
Comments: 10th Ace!

Rattle Run
Michael Sudomir on 7/8/05
Hole #: 12 Par: 3
Club Used: 7 Iron
Witness: Al Lotosz, Matt Wolfe & Andrew Sudomir
Comments: 1st hole in one in 40 years!

Directory

1 DEARBORN HILLS GOLF COURSE
1300 S Telegraph Rd
Dearborn MI 48124
313 563 4653
A unique, challenging & beautiful par 3 and par 4 course!
No of Holes 18 Par 60 Yards 4495
Directions North of Michigan Ave entrance on west side of Telegraph

2 THE JACKAL GOLF CLUB
4141 Bauer Rd
Brighton MI 48116
810 229 9581
www.jackalgolfclub.com
No of Holes 18 Par 71 Yards 6700
Manager Rob Bruhn
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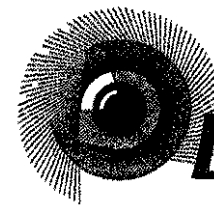
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'Flipping'

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If purchasing a fixer-upper, rehabbing it and then selling it at a tremendous profit is on your mind, think again.

It isn't that easy, say those in the know.

The process, called 'flipping,' isn't new, but has recently gained popularity along with reality shows like TLC's *Property Ladder*.

The show follows first-time flippers as they attempt to repair 'fixer-uppers' with little help from contractors in eight to 12 weeks and then sell. They exceed both the budget and deadline and hit major snags, but still manage to make a major profit.

John Filar, owner of APAC Properties, Nekter Lanakas, owner of Nema Capital Group and Wayne Koehler, president of Real Estate Investors of Wayne County all had the same opinion of the show: yeah, right.

"People think it's so easy and when I inform them of all the work involved, they are surprised," Filar said. "It's a worthwhile business but you've got to become knowledgeable before you jump in."

Filar, who has been flipping houses in south Oakland County for 10 years, started out on the proverbial ground floor.

"I can do almost anything and everything myself but I stay away from furnaces and roofing," he said. "I save at least double if not triple what it would cost for someone else to do the other work."

Before purchasing a property, Filar said he takes

a long, hard look at what needs to be done and estimates the costs and the time involved. Depending on the size of the home, it takes between two and four months to complete the renovations and spends between \$15,000 and \$25,000 on new kitchen and bathroom cabinetry, new windows, paint and flooring.

This business is all about opportunities and its feast or famine, Filar said, adding he is currently working 70 to 80 hours a week. "It all depends on

the market and right now is a good opportunity to buy, but it's really hard to sell."

Lanakas, who holds a degree in mechanical engineering from Purdue, became interested in flipping as a college student.

Not keen on dorm life, Lanakas' search for a house took him to the front porch of a major fixer-upper. He took one look and turned away. A short time later, he viewed the house again, saw the new cabinets, ceramic tile and flooring and purchased it for \$110,000.

"I could have bought it at \$70,000 and did the work myself," he said, adding he learned about home refurbishing from his father.

With a secure position at General Motors, Lanakas and his father purchased their first flip in Detroit.

"It took us six months to finish it. We worked on the property wherever we could and it took more money than we expected," he said. "But he was hooked and gave GM his notice."

"I think it's a disease all Greek men have," he said. "We don't like to work for anyone."

Lanakas now handles the financial side and has agreements with banks and capitol investors who make a 12 to 15 percent profit backed by real estate. He contracts out the work on homes he purchases on the northwest side of Detroit, Eastpointe, Birmingham, Royal Oak and Canton.

Lanakas prides himself on installing top quality products in his flips and invests an average of \$15,000 in each home.

"I make Detroit look like Royal Oak and Birmingham," he said. "I have to stick out from everyone else and be different."

He lives in Birmingham and is preparing to move to Waterford into a foreclosed lakefront property. Wayne Koehler, president of Real Estate Investors of Wayne County, has never flipped a house, but he's worked with plenty of people who do.

Koehler's group serves as an educational resource for those who invest in real estate or are thinking about doing so. It takes a lot of time, money and mostly know-how to make flipping work. His advice for newbies?

"Don't quit your day job until you've done this for at least two years and are making \$60,000 on the side."

FEATURED HOMES OF THE WEEK

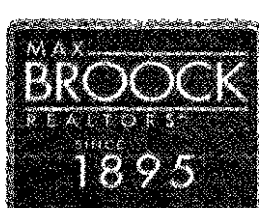


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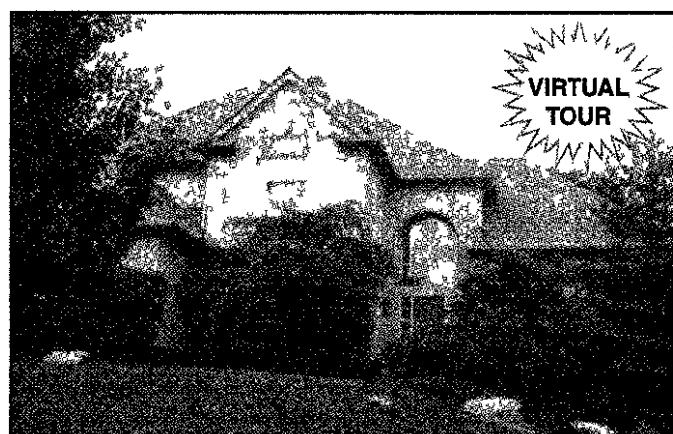
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Insurance factor in home cost

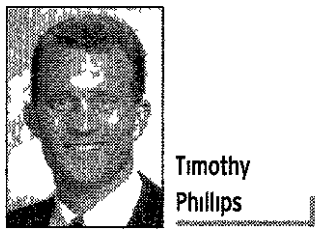
Hazard Insurance, more commonly known as Homeowners Insurance, is often the most overlooked element in the mortgage transaction process. As with the purchase of an automobile, you cannot have the keys to your new home until you can prove that you have it insured.

Unfortunately, many aspiring new homeowners tackle the insurance task at the last minute, perhaps even as an after-thought. Predictably, the results are that they are caught by surprise with a several-hundred dollar bill for their new policy, or they accept a policy that was written quickly instead of correctly, or both.

help perhaps justify a commensurate reduction in your purchase offer for the property. After the sale, clients typically have a month or so to make any required repairs, depending on the insurance company with whom they choose to work.

Homeowners can also cash in on improvements to the roof, the plumbing or the electric. Miller adds, as these updates can sometimes lead to insurance premium savings of up to 15 percent.

Today's TIMBIT Consider contacting your insurance agent before you even begin your home search. As



Timothy Phillips


with the other parts of your home purchase, you may benefit greatly by getting an early jump on the process and by seeking to learn from knowledgeable professionals along the way.

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Glenn Miller, an exclusive agent for Allstate Insurance in Westland, says there are some simple and effective things homebuyers can do to optimize their insurance dollars. Most of them, he admonishes, require action early in the mortgage approval or home-buying process.

"Most buyers already pay for building inspections during the first few days of a home purchase transaction, but they should really insist that the evaluation thoroughly details every discrepancy from dings in the walls to code violations, from missing porch railings to hidden living hazards," he said.

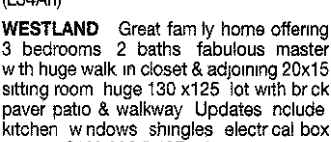
Having a detailed list of home discrepancies does not necessarily mean that your purchase should be delayed, but it can



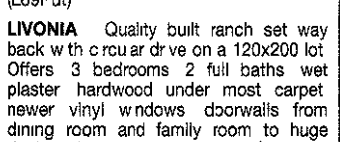
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WESTLAND Great family home offering 3 bedrooms 2 baths fabulous master w/ huge walk in closet & adjoining 20x15 sitting room huge 130 x125 lot with brick paver patio & walkway Updates include kitchen w/ new shingles electrical box + more \$169,900 (L40B00)



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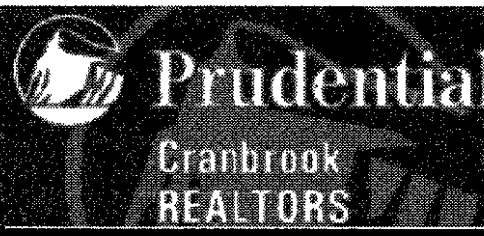


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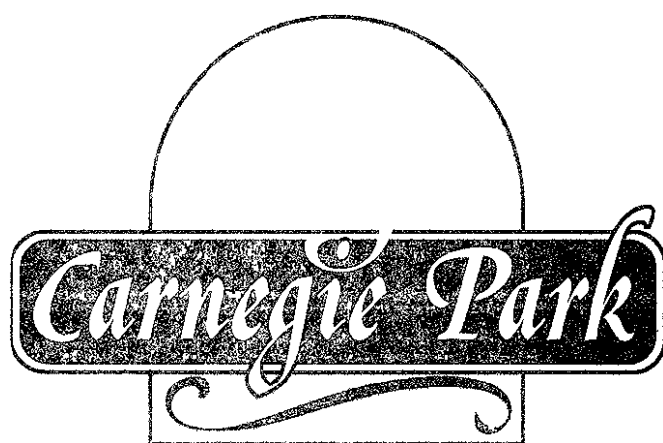
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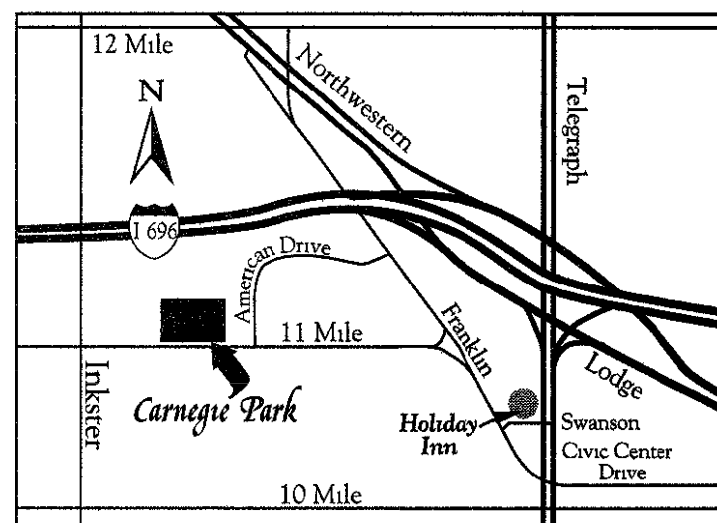
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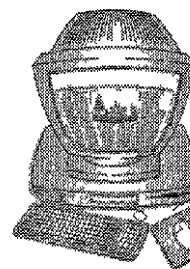
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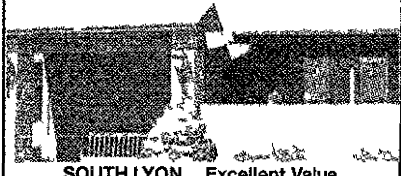
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4 bedroom 1.5 bath ranch Refinished hardwood flrs in LR hall & bedrooms Updated or new since 1998 roof garage drive furnace A/C windows door wall glass block windows all doors bath & sink gutters kitchen.
(E06AVO) 248 349 5600 \$179,900



WESTLAND Livonia Schools
3 bedroom ranch New 05 roof (tear off) carpeting in LR & hall Kitchen & nook, some appl's nolu Vinyl windows updated bath lg laundry spacious closets T/O C/A newer humid 2 car garage Home warranty.
(U6BCAR) 248 349-5600 \$124,900



WESTLAND A Real Dream House
This charming home offers 3 bedrooms w/gorgeous built w/summer kitchen you can imagine its only outdoors by the main floor that's w/stone floor Updated kitchen A/C full bath w/new windows & doors.
(E39GIL) 734 455 5600 \$180,000



SOUTH LYON Excellent Value
On this great 2 bedroom 2 bath ranch condo w/family room finished basement dining room Full size room vaulted ceilings skylight Cheerful kitchen w/snack bar + all app's deck & home warranty.
(E17HER) 734 455 5600 \$84,000



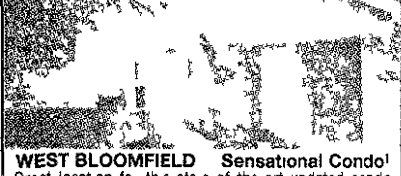
ROSEVILLE 3 Bedroom Brick Ranch
Eat in kitchen stove and refrigerator updated bath room New windows utility room w/washer & dryer large corner of 2 car attached garage central air.
(E40MAY) 734 455 5600 \$120,000



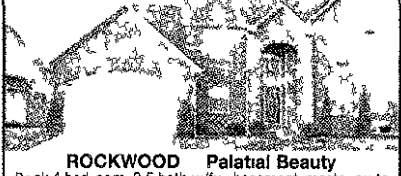
GARDEN CITY Investors Special
Great deal for the money Spacious 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick & vinyl home needs your touches to make this a showplace Vaulted ceilings hardwood floor La ge woodwork corner lot Great neighborhood Close to schools.
(E30MAP) 248-349-5600 \$132,500



SALEM Ranch On Approximately 10 Acres
Spacious 3 bedroom 2 bath home on an approximate 10 acre lot w/attached garage and full basement Has both a living and a family room Baseboard heat Two barns and pond.
(E00FIV) 248-349-5600 \$399,000



WEST BLOOMFIELD Sensational Condo!
Great location on this site of the art updated condo w/maple cabinets kitchen SS appl's & newer counter tops Finished basement attached garage FR w/ fireplace offered in this 2 bedroom 2 bath beauty.
(E03FIR) 734 455 5600 \$184,000



ROCKWOOD Palatial Beauty
Brick 4 bed room 2.5 bath w/fin basement master suite WIC bath & cathedral ceiling dual staircase attached 2 car garage 2 story ceramic tile w/brick system glass block windows in basement PFL & lg oil.
(E79HER) 734 455 5600 \$289,000



PLYMOUTH Country Living In The City
Beautiful maintained & updated Brick 3 bedroom 1.5 bath has tall Newer tile pane windows furnace CA shingles & baths LR FR w/full w/ fireplace Built in ground pool 2 car attached garage & finished w/dry bar.
(E47MAN) 734 455 5600 \$249,000



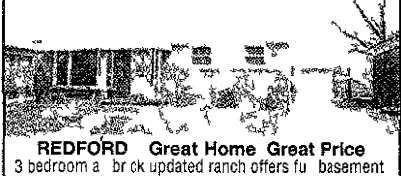
PLYMOUTH Condo Comfort
2 bedroom 2 bath 1 story full basement Low association fee in small 8 unit complex Close to everything Deck off master overlooks private backyard New paint & floor coverings Spacious open floor plan.
(E07ANN) 248 349 5600 \$168,500



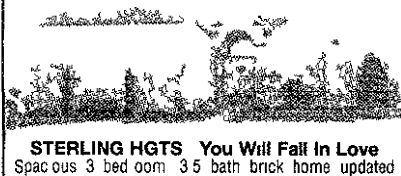
DEARBORN HGTS Heights Beauty Is Born
Beautiful 2004 built full brick ranch w/3 bedrooms 2 baths Open living floor plan w/great attention to detail 5 piece ceramic tile and large country kitchen Central air custom front porch.
(E81HAR) 248 349-5600 \$139,900



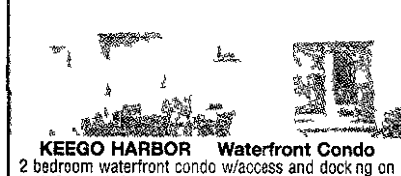
COMMERCE Gorgeous Custom Built Home
With state of the art features & upgrades Soaring ceilings stone fireplace custom granite counter tops hardwood floors Ceramic tile 2 story foyer open floor plan + 3 car attached garage in this 3 bedroom 2.5 bath.
(E42SER) 734 455 5600 \$590,000



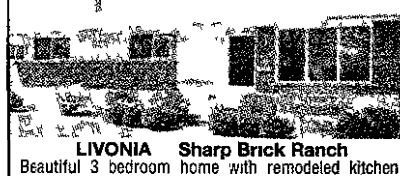
REDFORD Great Home Great Price
3 bedroom a brick updated ranch offers full basement garage and is priced to move Located in great location Don't miss this one it will go fast.
(E90LEV) 734 455 5600 \$129,400



STERLING HGTS You Will Fall In Love
Spacious 3 bedroom 3.5 bath brick home updated w/granite kitchen counter & island cherry cabinets & SS appl's Hardwood floors in GR w/gas fireplace large finished basement master suite w/linen closet shower & jacuzzi.
(E77MAL) 734 455 5600 \$389,900



KEEGO HARBOR Waterfront Condo
2 bedroom waterfront condo w/access and docking on both Sylvan & Cass Lakes First floor unit w/doorwall to patio overlooking the water Updated kitchen neutral decor top appliances gas and water included.
(E55CAS) 248 349 5600 \$124,900



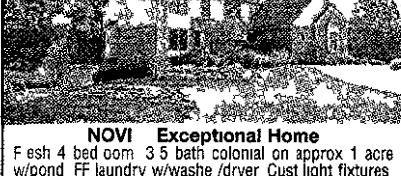
LIVONIA Sharp Brick Ranch
Beautiful 3 bedroom home with remodeled kitchen Newer roof newer windows newer furnace and central air Full basement w/wc room Florida room overlooks fenced yard 2.5 car garage Hardwood floors 1 yr warranty.
(E20MID) 248 349-5600 \$194,900



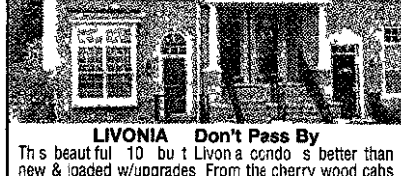
DEARBORN HGTS Move In Condition
On this 3 bedroom ranch w/2.5 car garage Deck over Hgts Dist 7 area across from city park Updated kitchen w/ granite countertop Pergo L remodeled bath newer furnace C/A & HW/HVAC Huge LR for entertaining n/g Well maintained home.
(E75WED) 734-455-5600 \$114,900



BELLEVILLE Gorgeous Ranch w/Walkout
3 bedroom 3 bath home w/fin shed basement w/fin LR w/ fireplace Soaring ceilings w/ oak floor Oak finished 2 car attached garage w/fin shed basement family room w/ fireplace updated kitchen furnace AC hardwood floors & glass block windows.
(E69THO) 734 455 5600 \$219,900



NOVI Exceptional Home
Fresh 4 bedroom 3.5 bath colonial on approx 1 acre w/finished full basement w/walkout deck & pool area Full finished basement master suite w/linen closet shower & jacuzzi.
(E81DEE) 248 349 5600 \$679,900



LIVONIA Don't Pass By
This beautiful 10 built Livonia condo is better than new & loaded w/upgrades From the cherry wood cabinets in the kitchen to the premium hardwood flooring you'll be pleased at every turn Come take a look hurry.
(E60FAR) 248 349 5600 \$229,900



NOVI Smile You Found It
Ready to move into 3 bedroom 3 bath newer colonial Close to lake Daylight finished LL w/wet bar Master suite w/WIC Office area Pergo floors Berber carpet t & e baths double wooded lot Great location.
(E33PAR) 248-349-5600 \$299,000



NEW BOSTON Move To The Country
In this well maintained home in the V age of W open Close to 2 metro parks & great access to highways On 3 lots & offers new windows boiler roof HWT kitchen & bath + deck patio & power tool shed All appliances stay.
(E29RO) 734 455 5600 \$249,900



PLYMOUTH This Home Is Spottless
Move right into this 3 bedroom 1.5 bath color w/2 car attached garage parking finished basement family room w/ fireplace updated kitchen furnace AC hardwood floors & glass block windows.
(E64HAR) 734 455 5600 \$289,900



CANTON Ideally Located
Wonderful 4 bedroom colonial w/walkout deck so close to deep blue Home has lots of updates inc roof furnace AC & windows w/neutral decor & immaculately clean WALK to schools & neighborhood playground.
(E1CHC) 248 349 5600 \$246,900



PLYMOUTH Active Senior Complex
Best 2 bedroom buy Can't beat it Spacious for family gatherings Convenient walking distance to shopping Banking & restaurants Gorgeous clubhouse pool and year round activities Vacation like atmosphere.
(E47NEW) 248 349 5600 \$134,500



NOVI Spectacular Custom Home
Beautifully detailed offers 4 spacious bedrooms 4.5 baths Master suite features fireplace 2 WIC & granite bath Gourmet kitchen w/walkin stove Sub Zero frg Walkout LL w/finished floors saunas & full granite kitchen.
(E55VAS) 248 349-5600 \$899,900



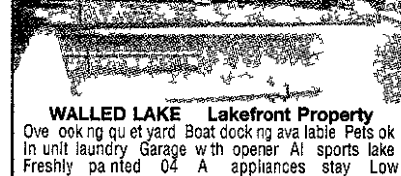
VAN BUREN Elegant Family Home
Stately colon w/4 BR 2.2 BA great room w/ fireplace prof finished w/1.2 bath to main dining room oak kitchen w/ island crown molding master suite w/soaking tub spa shower vaulted ceilings 3 car attached garage.
(E36ANN) 734 455 5600 \$315,000



GARDEN CITY Bigger Than The Rest
This 3 bedroom 2.5 bath colonial a peaceful 2 car attached garage basement GR w/rep area cant evered upper deck off mist ste kitchen w/quality cabinets deck off lot w/vacay enclosure + maint yard.
(E70BR) 734 455 5600 \$244,900



WATERFORD Bring Your Boat
3 bedroom brick cape cod on double corner lot w/lake access to Loon Lake Dining room features hardwood floors and a bay window 1st floor master Spacious living room w stone fireplace.
(E01SEE) 248 349 5600 \$184,900



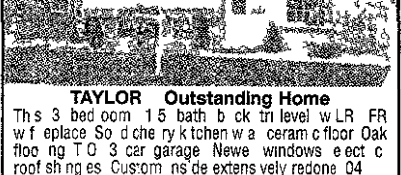
WALLED LAKE Lakefront Property
Overlooking quiet yard Boat docking available Pets ok in unit laundry Garage w/whopper AI sports lake Freshly painted 04 A appliances stay Low association on Deck neutral decor beach fishing jet sk.
(E95PON) 248 349 5600 \$99,900



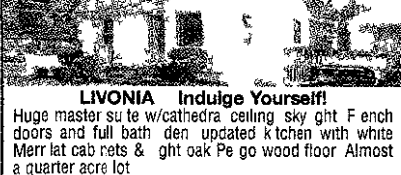
FARMINGTON HILLS Great Townhouse
2 bedroom 1.5 bath condo L oak cabinets Pergo flrs in kit & 1/2 bath 03 new Berber T/O 03 all window treatments new 04 most lighting newer roof & bath s/det new 03 frp c in LR vaulted ceiling n LR & BRs Fin bsmt w/gar.
(E23COU) 248-349-5600 \$154,900



SOUTHFIELD Charming Colonial
Offering 3 bedrooms & 1.5 baths Finished basement 2 car attached garage family room w/ fireplace many updates + 1st floor laundry h's & her closets in master bedroom Also 1 year home warranty.
(E30GRA) 734 455 5600 \$213,900



TAYLOR Outstanding Home
This 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick tri level w/LR FR w/ fireplace Soaring ceilings w/ oak floor Oak finished 2 car garage Newer windows & eect ceiling shngles Custom ns de extensively redone 04.
(E16DUD) 734 455 5600 \$186,950



LIVONIA Indulge Yourself!
Huge master suite w/cathedral ceiling skylight French doors and full bath den updated kitchen with white Martini cabinets & granite oak Pergo wood floor Almost a quarter acre lot.
(E05BRE) 248 349 5600 \$164,900



NOVI Super Condo
Exquisite This one won't last Impress w/ upgrades Ground level 1 bedroom w/wheelchair access Extra large bath Neutral decor freshly painted View of woods Shows like a mode Access to Wa ed Lake.
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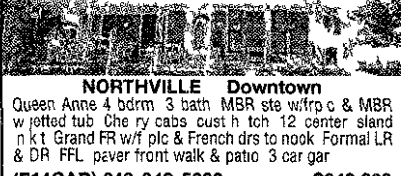
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(E23COU) 248-349-5600 \$154,900



PLYMOUTH A Wonderful Find
Charming 3 bedroom 1.5 bath brick ranch w/2.5 car garage basement family room w/ fireplace updated kitchen cabinets w/new roof door wall & entry doors.
(E49CED) 734 455 5600 \$199,900



BELLEVILLE Great Quiet Location In Complex
1st floor 2 bed room 2 bath ranch condo built in 2002 & convenient to freeway Great open floor plan Very clean neutral decor master suite w/WC & includes kitchen's major appliances.
(E78SAW) 734 455 5600 \$120,000



NORTHVILLE Downtown
Queen Anne 4 bedroom 3 bath MBR sb w/frp c & MBR w/jetted tub Cherry cabinets custom tile 12 center island in kitchen Grand FR w/ fireplace & French doors to nook Formal LR & DR FFL paver front walk & patio 3 car garage.
(E14CAD) 248 349 5600 \$649,900



ROCHESTER HILLS Stunning Condo
3 bedroom 2.5 bath condo w/attached garage into kitchen Fireplace heats LR & DR combo w/doorwall backing to trees putting green & walking trails Basement used as FR has glass block daylight.
(E76TEN) 248 349 5600 \$194,900



SOUTH LYON Desirable Hampton Square
2 bedroom 1.5 bath brick colonial w/newer roof Spacious living room Doorwall off dining room leads to private deck End unit with lovely trees Close to parks bike trail and downtown Great location.
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3 bdrm 1 bath bsmt living & family room 2 car garage \$168,900 734-728-1482

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38292 St Joe W of Newburgh off Avondale 3 bdrm brick ranch 1040 sq ft Oversized 2 car garage full partially finished bsmt possible 4th bedroom in bsmt \$164,900 Owner/agent 734-612-9285

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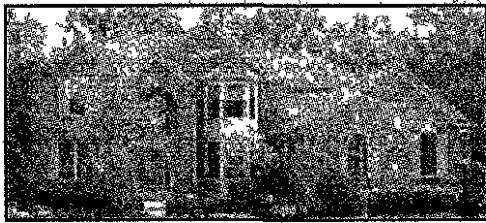


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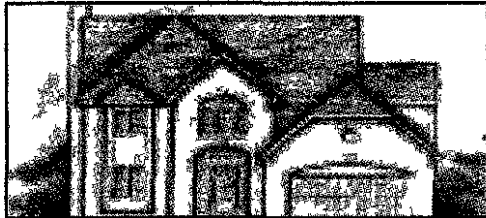
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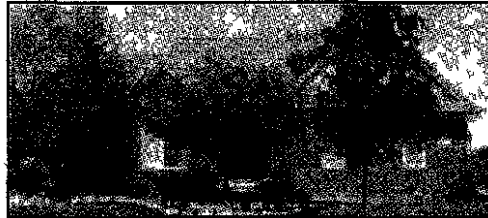
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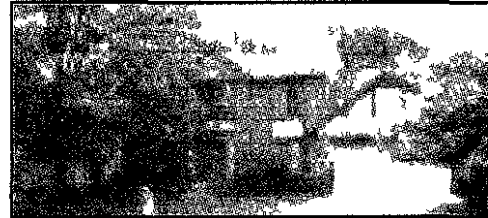
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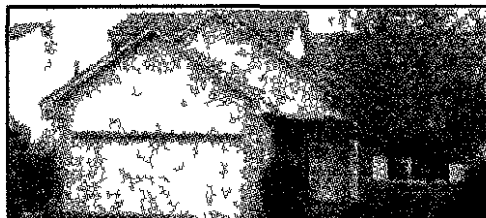
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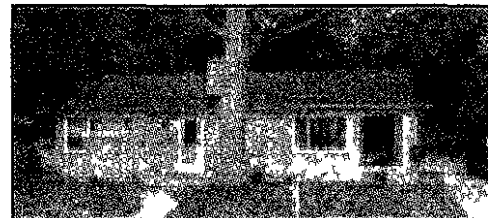
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IT'S CHEAPER TO OWN THEN RENT In this 3 BR 1.5 BA split level w/flpc remodeled kit W/all appliances 2 1/2 car gar FR and central air (M385) \$169 900



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COME SEE WHAT'S NEW In this 3 BR brick & vinyl Livonia ranch w/full fin d bsmt w/bar 2 full BAs central air newer windows & 2.5 car gar w/opener You won't be disappointed (H906) \$169 900



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A charming neat as a pin brick ranch w/an eat in kit Clean thru & thru Roof (tear off) 2034 SF Furn/Air 3 & 10 yrs Vinyl Windows Unfinished BSMT and a 2 car det gar (25084271) \$149 900



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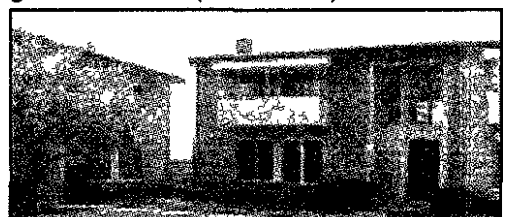
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4 BR CAPE COD Kit w/table space opens to FR w/hat l flpc FR leads to brick paver patio C/A 2.5 BA Partly fin d bsmt 1st flr BR 349-6200 (25080502) \$229 500

NORTHVILLE 734-591-9200
New custom bit lakefront w/great views Beautiful brk & stone exterior 4BR 3BA 2 Lavs Prof chef s kit cherry wd flrs in kit foyer din rm Mstr ste w/FP & Mstr BA Sun rm w/wk view (25075891) \$1 239 000

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CAPE COD W/CHARACTER & CHARM Full brick home on quiet street H/dwd flrs quality woodwork 2 car gar & bsmt Newer roof 349-6200 (25093038) \$117 000

CANTON 734-591-9200
Wonderful brick ranch in desirable sub! 3 BR 2 full BA 2 car att gar 1488 SF Open floor plan great for entertaining Updated kit BA decor roof furn C/A Too much to list (25090568) \$224 900

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UPDTS GALORE IN THIS RANCH 3 BR 2 full BAs Updates include C/A 04 Wallside Windows 04 new gar door BAs kit Rf tear off 99 newly fenced W/inground pool on DBL lot (25050588) \$129 900

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A charming bungalow in the Westwood School District Updtd kit & BA newer hot water tank entry doors roof & storm windows Over sized gar and cement in 1998 (25070568) \$105 900

NOVI 248-348-6430
LOVELY COLONIAL 4 BR 2.5 BAs in a great neighborhood w/a prvt yard h/dwd flrs FR w/flpc mstr BA updated newer roof brck paver patio 349-6200 (25083993) \$354 900

REDFORD 734-591-9200
Clean updt doll house! 2 BR 684 SF & fin d bsmt Located in Livonia Clarenceville School District A must see! (25080697) \$102 000

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GREAT STARTER HOME! 3 BR 1.5 BA Upgrades in last six years rf furn A/C kit crpt wndws doorwall BA Bonus oversized gar (24126439) \$196 900

GARDEN CITY 734-326-2000
BRAND NEW CONSTRUCTION 3 BR 2.5 BA 2 story colonial Featuring a full bsmt great room kit w/island and 2 car att gar (25050031) \$229 900

NOVI 248-348-6430
Open living area flows from GR to kit Updtd w/new appls Spacious eating area w/doorwall to deck Freshly painted & new crptng t/o Home warr 349-6200 (25055072) \$215 000

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THE WOW HOUSE! Lots of bang for the buck in this South Redford 3 BR brck ranch W/ clean & bright open floor plan Newer windows furn C/A Crpt interior paint & more! (25001367) \$95 000

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SERENITY GARDENS GORGEOUS RANCH Dream kit MBR has Lav & WIC Newer RF furn C/A & wndws Oversized lot 2 level pond & perennials part fin d bsmt 12x12 barn (25062841) \$155 000

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ADORABLE BUNGALOW With a park view & extra deep yard Quiet setting 3 BR updated roof siding paint windows plumbing faucet BA & more Cute kit & all appls stay (25016904) \$105 000

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YOUNGER MISTAKES, PERSONAL MISSTEPS



WORKWISE How do you differentiate between missteps and mistakes in younger workers or colleagues? by Mildred L. Culp

Differences become clear in the potential consequences of an error

INCIDENTS Bob Zeitlinger, managing director of B To Z Communications in Dumont, N.J., recalls a series of incidents from his days editing a local newspaper in the northern part of the state, where he supervised four employees. One was a hard-working, conscientious sports reporter named Pete.

At 18, Pete had been a sports correspondent for six months, taking game coverage reports by telephone. His material had to be accurate, because sports were a big draw among readers. "He often didn't ask for spellings or he made assumptions," Zeitlinger says. "In taking a St. Peter's College baseball game over the phone, he wrote that this Jersey City team played Yukon at Yukon's home field in April. It didn't take long to figure out that Yukon was really UConn, or the University of Connecticut. He was setting himself up for endless newsroom ridicule."

"I asked him if he truly felt that this Jersey City-based team with limited budget traveled all of the way to Alaska for a baseball game," he continues. He went to the young reporter and instructed him not to be a dictation machine. "Pete,"

he said, "as you take these games, think about the information you're getting. Ask yourself some questions. If you think anything is unusual, ask a question."

Diane Danielson, founder of the online Downtown Women's Club (www.downtownwomensclub.com), was a vice president in commercial real estate when Melissa, her bright executive assistant/marketing manager, was playing her radio during some mindless tasks. "Melissa," she said, "I personally have no problem with you playing the radio, because I know you can listen and still to great work, but why don't you take a tour of the office and see who plays the radio and who doesn't and how you want the men who run this company to view you?" During a quick tour, she observed that only admins had radios on. After that, she played hers late at night and on weekends. Melissa subsequently earned a graduate degree in real estate and kept climbing, not once being thought an admin.

At 22, Kansas City, Mo., speaker Brian Sullivan, now of Precise Selling Inc., was meeting with Don, the CEO of a key account, when he noticed that Don had shifted to a casual posture. He did the same, only to discover that he was sporting shoes from two different pairs, a black wing-tip and a maroon loafer (with tassel, no less).

"I said, 'Don, I need to show you something and this might change everything,'" he reports. Standing up, he did an Irish jig, followed by the statement

that he 'had a pair just like it at home.' Don couldn't stop laughing. SAVING FACE

Both Zeitlinger and Sullivan make the point that sparing a younger worker's embarrassment can be essential to building confidence. Reporters "can get analysis paralysis (not good for a deadline-driven environment)," observes the former editor, "and cause distraction in the newsroom when people call in. Ensuing jokes and banter become counterproductive."

"Don taught me," Sullivan says today, "that it is okay to be human and that sometimes saving face comes by letting younger workers make a mistake and then make them feel that it's O.K. that it happened. I could have walked out of his office humiliated and devastated about what I did, but he seized the opportunity to let a lesson be learned through laughter." That lesson was to pay attention while dressing before an important meeting -- or any meeting, for that matter. In other words, don't run on automatic.

These anecdotes differ in significance. One is clearly a misstep of personal consequence, the others, gaffes with professional ramifications. Saving face can be important for employees or colleagues of any age when they're conscientious about their work.

"I think there's too much emphasis on perfection as opposed to excellence,"



Bob Zeitlinger, managing director of B To Z Communications, suggests that young workers need to ask more questions to avoid errors.

Zeitlinger states "Strive for excellence, not perfection, because there's a law of diminishing return. If it takes 10 hours to be excellent and 10 more hours for two percent more, I don't think that's worth it in the long run. There are several right ways to do a job. I wouldn't correct someone if I thought it would hinder their creativity."

Don recommended that the young salesman turn the lights on when reaching for his shoes. He became Sullivan's largest client. The two are still laughing.

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THE 2005 VOLVO XC90

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Volvo's 2005 XC90 is one of the best expressions yet of the Ford unit's broad but inexorable turn toward the mainstream automotive market in America. Previously known for producing quirky looking - but extremely safe - sedans and station wagons that sold very well in New Hampshire and San Francisco, the Swedish company that now is part of Ford has been turning out more and more vehicles lately for the rest of us.

Part of Volvo's recent success has stemmed from its fresh new design philosophy, and part of it from being under the Ford umbrella and being able to benefit from its product development and marketing acumen. But another good portion of Volvo's ascent is simply due to producing solid vehicles like the XC90 - and perhaps the XC90 more than any other.

The good part is that, in the XC90, Volvo has produced an SUV that arguably comes just as close to any SUV to embodying the best aspects of the entire burgeoning category. It offers an excellent ride and power, yet decent gas mileage. It's luxuriously comfortable yet extremely functional. It's got a streamlined design, yet one that doesn't sacrifice overall cargo space or room at the margins.

The biggest drawback to the 2005 XC90 is that all of this comes at a price - a suggested retail sticker of \$50,285, to be exact. That's no small chunk of change, putting Volvo's SUV in direct competition with those of slicker reputation, such as Lexus and Lincoln. But this machine can hold up to the test.

Start with its exterior stance. The XC90 roofline rakes upward dramatically from the windshield to a high plane, then traces the arcing shape of the roof rails. The image of a tall SUV is enhanced by the vehicle's high beltline. Overall too, XC90 is a well-executed expression of Volvo's severely angular new design scheme, featuring tight radius should



The Volvo XC90 gets 14 mpg in the city and 20 mpg on the highway.

ders that run the length of the vehicle and huge vertical taillights that absolutely cannot be missed by the driver of the vehicle behind.

The taillights are both a bold design statement and a nod to Volvo's tradition and continuing status as a line of very safe vehicles. And thanks to backup lights that look like spotlights, XC90 oozes safety even when it's moving in reverse.

Some are annoyed by XC90's dual tailgate, which has two sections in a 70/30 top/bottom split. But the lower smaller tailgate lifts and closes easily, and the bigger liftgate above is shorter than the liftgates on many competitors, meaning that it isn't as likely to knock you in the head on the way up.

Even better is that, equipped with a 4.4-liter, eight-cylinder alloy engine with dual overhead cams, continuous variable valve timing and 311 horsepower, XC90 can haul. At 14 miles a gallon in the city and 20 mpg on the highway, XC90's fuel economy wasn't bad either for a V8 powertrain. On a short weekend trip for a family of five, it demonstrated great pickup in passing situations on

the Interstate - even with not only the human cargo but also all our stuff. At the same time, the ride was very smooth and handling superior.

Amenities include all of the features that buyers have come to expect in near-luxury vehicles, including available leather, a power glass moonroof, eight-way power seats up front with lumbar supports, and a steering wheel that both tilts and telescopes. A highlight is one-touch operating of sunroof and windows, a glaring omission is a middle arm support up front. The easy-to-use climate controls - a great distinctive in all Volvos these days - are another plus for XC90.

Life in the rear seat wasn't bad either, with ample room for three kids, and earphone jacks for each of them to listen to their own music. The rear passengers also were able to operate their own climate controls, including temperature settings. And there was plenty of room for vacation paraphernalia in the rear.

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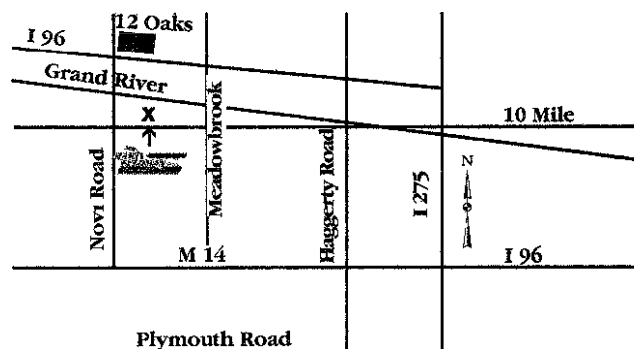


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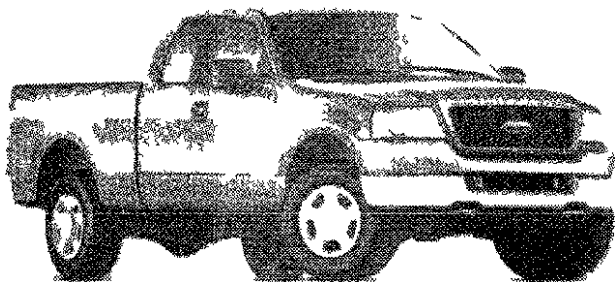
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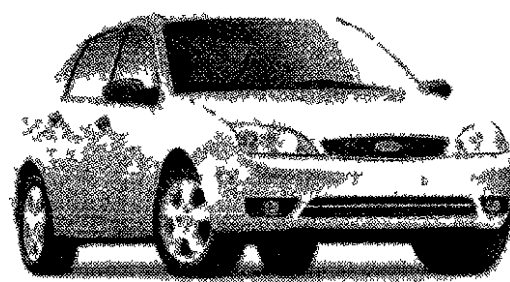
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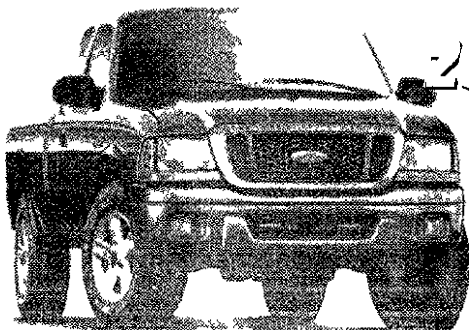
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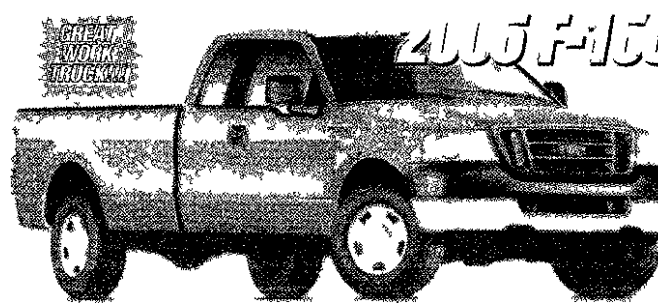
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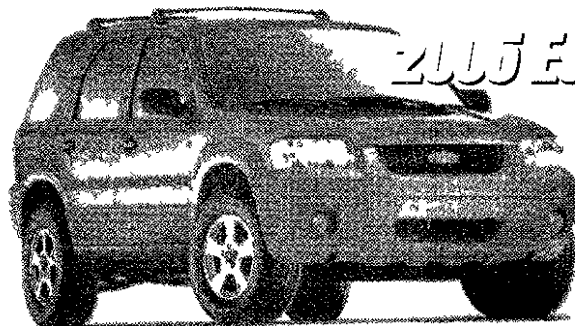
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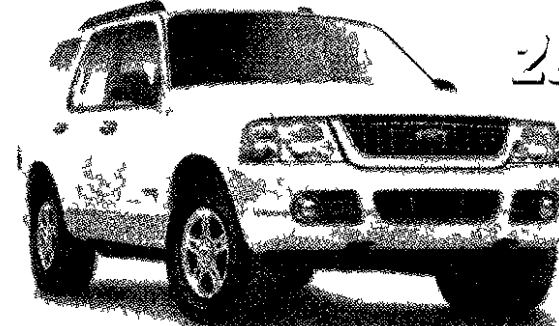
2005 F150
Lariat
WAS \$23,855
\$19,504⁶⁵ Employee Price
-\$3,000⁰⁰ Less Customer Cash
Now \$16,504⁶⁵

4.6L V8 four speed automatic transmission with overdrive bedliner speed control 6800 GVWR AM/FM stereo CD air conditioning Stock # 5T6460



2005 ESCAPE
4-Door
WAS \$24,080
\$21,000⁷⁹ Employee Price
-\$2,000⁰⁰ Less Customer Cash
Now \$19,000⁷⁹

3.0 Duratec V6 four speed automatic transmission power six way driver's seat air conditioning speed control perimeter alarm Stock # 5T1571



2005 EXPLORER
4-Door
WAS \$30,160
\$25,000⁷⁹ Employee Price
-\$4,000⁰⁰ Less Customer Cash
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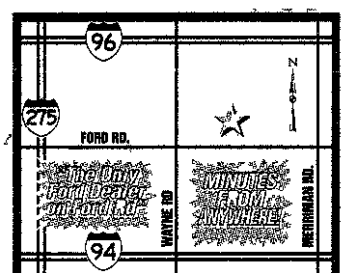
2004 MERCURY MOUNTAINEER 4-Door V6 At conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes power windows 10000 miles or less Stock # 670 \$22,773⁰⁰	2003 EXPLORER 4-Door At conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes power windows 27000 miles or less Stock # 10039A 17,876⁰⁰	2003 EXPLORER Limited 4-Door Loaded 35000 miles certified Pre-owned Stock # 5T 322A \$22,407⁰⁰	2002 LINCOLN CONTINENTAL Four door conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes power windows 29000 miles or less Stock # 9258 \$17,283⁰⁰	2004 ESCAPE 4-Door Air conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes certified Stock # 5T0088A \$17,662⁰⁰	2002 EXPLORER 4-Door Four door conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes certified Stock # 5T0472A \$12,007⁰⁰	2003 ESCAPE 4-Door Air conditioning AM/FM stereo power seat automatic transmission Stock # 5T0452A \$14,364⁰⁰	2004 MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$17,547⁰⁰
2003 F150 SUPER DUTY Lariat 4-Door At conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes power windows 10000 miles or less Stock # 670 \$23,039⁰⁰	2002 F150 EXT. INT. 4-Door At conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes power windows 27000 miles or less Stock # 91912 \$16,223⁰⁰	2004 MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$17,947⁰⁰	2004 MUSTANG SVT CONVERTIBLE At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$17,547⁰⁰	2004 F150 EXT. INT. 4-Door At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$12,442⁰⁰	2003 RANGER EXT. INT. 4-Door At conditioning cruise control AM/FM stereo CD Stock # 5C 1939 \$14,380⁰⁰	2004 F150 REGULAR CAB 4-Door At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$14,442⁰⁰	2004 FOCUS Four door conditioning power locks power windows CD ABS brakes automatic transmission certified Stock # 91912 \$10,831⁰⁰
2005 MUSTANG COUPE At conditioning leather interior AM/FM stereo automatic air conditioning RARE FIND Stock # 9305 \$20,293⁰⁰	2004 EXPLORER SPORT 4-Door At conditioning six disc AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$21,521⁰⁰	2002 F150 CURB 4-Door Gas only 8000 miles priced to sell Stock # 9265 \$15,761⁰⁰	2004 F250 S-CAB Lariat 4-Door SUV 19000 miles or less Stock # 4T0484A \$32,129⁰⁰	2002 EXPLORER 4-Door At conditioning AM/FM stereo cassette CD ABS brakes towing package certified Stock # 5C 18A \$14,859⁰⁰	2004 EXPLORER SPORT 4-Door At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$17,388⁰⁰	2004 F250 EXT. INT. 4-Door At conditioning AM/FM stereo CD ABS brakes leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$27,906⁰⁰	2003 EXPLORER 4-Door At conditioning AM/FM stereo cassette leather power seat 29000 miles certified Stock # 91912 \$17,291⁰⁰

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Buick (8360)

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CHRYSLER 300M 2002 Special Ed on 40K moon \$14 995

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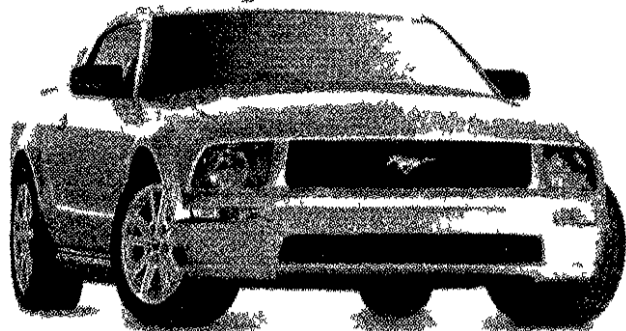
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Now **\$19,566***

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2005 Ranger 4x2 Edge Supercab

Pref equip pkg 864A edge trim MP3 CD/cass player 3.0L EFI V6 engine 5-spd auto o/d trans P235 OWL all terrain tires 4.10 ratio limited slip axle 4800 GVWR sliding rear wndw privacy glass P235 all season spare pwr window/lock group remote keyless entry Stock #54138 WAS \$22,520

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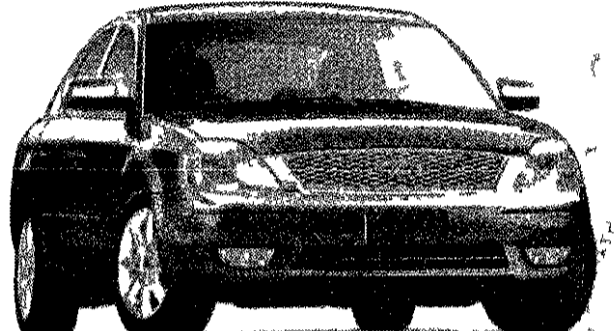
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2005 Freestyle FWD SEL

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24 Mo. Lease **\$229.00**** Per Month with \$2000 Out-Of-Pocket



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3.54 radio regular axle dual manual sliding doors speed control air conditioning CFC Free second/third row privacy glass 3.9L OHV EFI engine 4 speed auto O/D transmission 225/60R-16 BSW all season crossbars aux/a/c tri zone third row floor mat Stock #50779 WAS \$27,990

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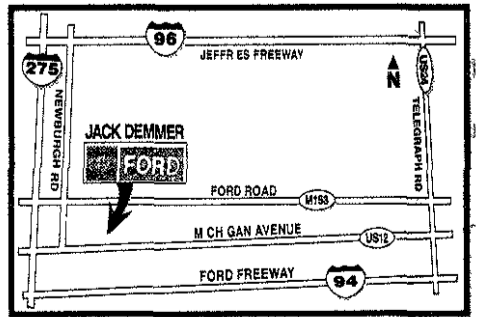
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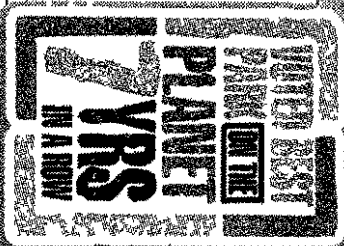
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RICHARD JENI
 MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL
 DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

TOMORROW, 7/22 • 7:30 pm
DWIGHT YOAKAM w/ JOSH TURNER
 DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

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CELTIC WOMAN
 MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

THIS SAT, 7/23 • 7:30 pm
DENNIS DEYOUNG
 THE MUSIC OF STY WITH ROCK SYMPHONY
 DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

THIS SAT, 7/23 • 8:00 pm
LORETTA LYNN
 MEADOW BROOK MUSIC FESTIVAL

THIS SUN, 7/24 • 7:30 pm
ABBA THE MUSIC
 DTE ENERGY MUSIC THEATRE

THIS TUE, 7/26 • 7:00 pm
SUGAR WATER FESTIVAL FEATURING ERYKAH BADU, JILL SCOTT, QUEEN LATIFAH AND FLOETRY
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Movie reviews

Depp is distinct, strange in 'Willy Wonka' remake

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

starts out of four

David Germain AP Movie Writer

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory - Tim Burton's wildly imaginative take on Roald Dahl's children's book is the sort of visual feast the director was born to make. It's a film packed with chaotic delights for young children and plenty of sophisticated, cryptic edge to entertain and puzzle their parents. But Johnny Depp outpaces the visuals. As candy man Willy Wonka, Depp puts such a distinct strange wondrous and sometimes creepy stamp on this social misfit. Gene Wilder's portrayal in the 1971 original almost looks like a buttoned-down 9 to 5 Nestle's exec by comparison.

Reeluse Wonka opens his chocolate factory to five lucky visitors among them goodhearted poor boy Charlie (Jeddie Highmore). The movie's main drawback. Some annoying tunes written and sung by Danny Elfman. PG for quality situations action and mild language. 115 min. Three

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"THE SUMMERS ONE INDISPURABLE LAUGH RIOT!"

Richard Travers *Rolling Stone*

"Has Summer Hit Engraved All Over. It parades a screen chemistry rarely seen since the original Butch and Sundance."

Richard Coates, THE

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FESTIVAL

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stroll around and take it all in, Bueltmann said.

"With each ticket comes a limited number of samplings after that you have to buy it."

The festival's festivities, too - a beer festival wouldn't be complete without a light-hearted atmosphere. The band Great Lakes Grass will stroll through the crowds with their banjo, bass and guitar combination. Midtown Underground, a jazz band, will also perform.

The beers come from micro brewers, brew pubs and brewers in Michigan.

"We have people coming from all over the country," Bueltmann said. "Michigan has really become a place for beer tourism. We're in the top 10 list for number of breweries here."

At the festival, every hour will be a different presentation including:

- The history of brewing at 1:40 p.m., beer styles at 2:40 p.m., home brewing demonstration at 3:40 p.m., and pairings of beer styles with food at 4:40 p.m.

While many Michigan brewers will offer samplings, there will be a few collector exhibits, too.

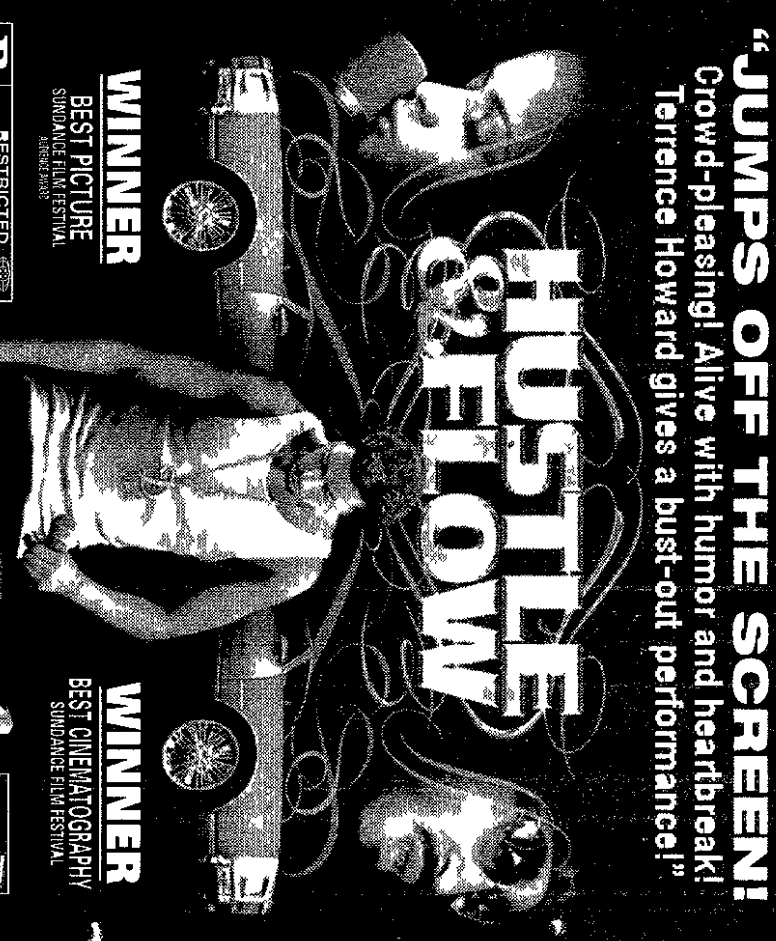
To keep it safe, Bueltmann recommends a designated driver, using taxis or renting a hotel for the night.

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The real life of comedy

Show featuring Southfield native searches for next great sitcom

BY LANA MINI
STAFF WRITER

Introducing Sean Zimmerman
Raised in Southfield and now
living in Los Angeles,
Zimmerman has been a behind-
the-scenes success for years

In other words, he's a writer
The keys behind any successful
show are often the least recog-
nized. He's written for *The
Golden Girls*, *Roseanne*, *The
Glimore Girls* and *The Brady
Bunch* movie with his longtime
writer partner James Berg

Zimmerman's days of
anonymity, if this new idea is
successful, are about to end
He's the executive producer of
a new eight-part reality series
called *Situation Comedy* that

premieres Tuesday, July 26 on
Bravo Similar to Ren Aftick's
Project Greenlight, the show
focuses on a contest where writ-
ers submit situation comedy
scripts and have the chance to
film it

Bravo's new series will allow
viewers to go behind the scenes
of national television as writers
earn the chance to produce and
sell a sitcom. Then viewers will
give the final thumbs up by
choosing the winning entry that
will be broadcast on Bravo

"I've lived through the death of
the sitcom many times,
Zimmerman said "They'll fade
and then suddenly Bill Cosby or
Seinfeld appears"
Zimmerman along with
Maxine Lapdus (Roseanne),

SITUATION: COMEDY
What: A comedy/reality show
that shows the making of a
sitcom pilot

When: Premieres 9 p.m.
Tuesday, July 26 The series
is eight weeks long
Where: Bravo Network

will appear on-camera as execu-
tive producers The series is pro-
duced by Emmy Award winner
Sean Hayes (*Will & Grace*) and
Todd Millner

"The death of the sitcom has
received significant attention in
the media, and it's no secret that
viewers have now turned their
interests to reality based pro-
gramming," said Lauren
Zalaznik, president of Bravo
"What *Situation Comedy* does is
provide a sneak peek into the

funny and not-so-funny
moments and challenges behind
making a sitcom pilot that will
keep viewers laughing"

Producers received more than
10,000 scripts
"We had a lot of *Sex in the City*
style submissions, a lot set in
Alaska for some reason, *Wonder
Years*' themes like 'fat kid
Wonder Years, or *Wonder Years*
in Scotland' We had ideas about
talking lamps and on and on,"
Zimmerman said

After Zimmerman and
Lapdus narrowed the field to
five semi-finalists, the writers
were flown to Los Angeles,
where they were thrown into the
creative pitching pool They sub-
mitted their ideas to NBC net-
work executives who approved
two of the scripts to go into pro-
duction as 15-minute presenta-
tions The directors are Herb
Savage (*The Wonder Years*) and
Amanda Bearse (*Married with
Children*)

The final two writers were
thrown into the high-energy,
stressful world of television pro-
duction and viewers can see all
the gore The winner will receive
\$25,000 and a one year contract
with a major Hollywood talent
agency to further help launch a
successful writing career in film
or television

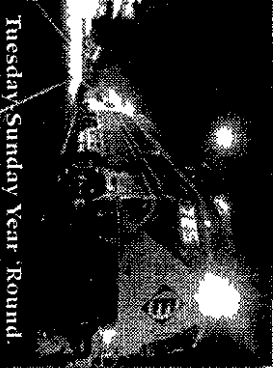
As for Zimmerman, he's excit-
ed about his career transition
from off screen to on-screen
Show business has been his life
since he was a child As a kid he
wrote television shows in his
bedroom Later he attended
Cranbrook Theatre He also
graduated from NYU with a fine
arts degree and has been a suc-
cessful Hollywood writer for
more than 20 years

"I hope this show inspires cre-
ative people," Zimmerman said
"If you have an idea, write it
There's so many kids out there,
who were like me not really
popular but creative I want
those kids to pursue their
talents"

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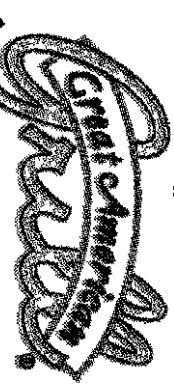
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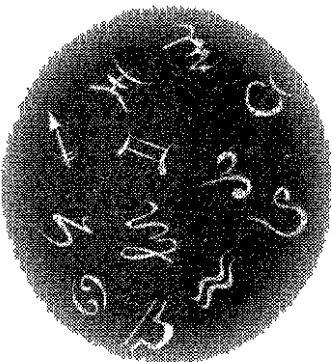
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(July 21-23)
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ARIES (March 21-April 20)
You seem to be torn between work and friendship and can't make up your mind which is more important to you Ram According to the planets now's the time to focus on moodah even if it means having to turn down social invitations and opportunities to run away Remain centered think revenue rather than recreation

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

The current retro Mercury is a good omen for those Bulls who are working on some kind of creative project/endeavor If that doesn't include you then perhaps it's time to start thinking about doing more with your natural talents What would you do if you knew you couldn't fail kid?

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

The wacky influence of your ruler Mercury now retrograde will make it easy to overreact to the opinions of colleagues and loved ones over the coming weeks Twin To prevent minor irritations from turning into future confrontations you are advised to speak your mind later rather than now

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Speak with routine and embark upon something different or exciting this week Moon/kid The world is full of people pieces and ideas that seem to have eluded you until now There are times when innovation must replace habit and this is one of those moments

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Before you throw good money after bad consider what you are trying to achieve A difficult time between the planets signifies that the time is past when you can spend your way out of hassles What is needed now is not a fresh injection of cash but a fresh injection of ideas and support system Lion!

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

What is the point of complaining that loved ones or associates are being obstinate or obstruc-
tive kiddo? Set out finding why they cannot make firm commitments Maybe you have misinter-
preted or misread their statements or worse maybe there is someone who is up to making a
lot of mischief

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)

The Sun in your complementary element now is supposed to make you footloose and fancy
free So what's happening? Someone brought you down to earth with a bang over money
recently right? And unfortunately you must now reevaluate your finances and not spend
above your means

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

You seem to be doing a lot of things for other people of late and that trend continues through
the month Scorpio Astro aspects may compel you to rush to the aid of someone who needs a
helping hand But make sure that's all it is kid You're in a magnetic time for attracting sad sacks

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Archer It simply isn't possible to please everyone all the time and the sooner you stop beating
up yourself mentally and emotionally about things you can't control the better! The world is
what it is Sadge You can't stop it from spinning Hold on and sip some iced tea

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 21)

Someone is being economical with the truth and you must set matters straight Cap starting
now! Nevertheless with financial demands increasing you should be careful not to upset those
whose support you need Stand up for your beliefs and others will believe you

AQUARIUS (Jan. 22-Feb. 19)

With Venus in Virgo now the moment has come to make loved ones partners and colleagues
aware that you've had enough of idle promises and demand guarantees of assurance Don't
back down Waterbearer Stick to your guns and people will respect you

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

Ease up Fish folks There's still a couple more weeks before Mercury moves forward so it may
seem as if the whole world is against you now But don't feel too sorry for yourself because it's
just an illusion You're not as vulnerable as you (or others) think kiddo Be gallant not a golfish!

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Ritual and respite

UMMA hosts Japanese tea ceremony

By NICOLE STAFFORD
STAFF WRITER

An authentic Japanese tea ceremony would consume almost an entire day.

But the University of Michigan Museum of Art in Ann Arbor has condensed the graceful ritual into an afternoon event in an on-site reproduction tea house.

"The tea ceremony is a choreography of hospitality," said Marbeth Graybill, senior curator of Asian art at the museum, which hosts the event July 24 and then bi-monthly.

And there's sort of a presenting or a museum exhibit on patrons won't themselves get to participate in the 14th-century ritual, which is conducted by local tea ceremony

masters, they will be able to observe the event unfold and take in commentary designed to clarify the importance of different practices.

JAPANESE CULTURE

The ceremony is quite literally something to see. It all begins with the principal guest crawling into the tea room and bowing, as a way to show humility. Other guests and the host follow.

Everything in the space, from the art on the walls to the tea scoop, have special meaning, so the first order of business for guests is perusing these objects.

You move around the room and take your time to examine and appreciate the furnishings," Graybill said.

"You enjoy the paintings, you enjoy the flowers, you enjoy the incense burner. These items are



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University of Michigan Museum of Art presents shortened versions of several styles of Japanese tea ceremonies on a bi-monthly basis.

Likewise, the boiling of water, cleansing of tea bowls, and the whipping and serving of tea are performed in a ritualized sequence and manner designed to convey the host's good will towards the guest. And there's very limited conversation until all have consumed their tea.

Upon completion of the short ened ceremony, patrons can partake in a cup of Japanese tea and

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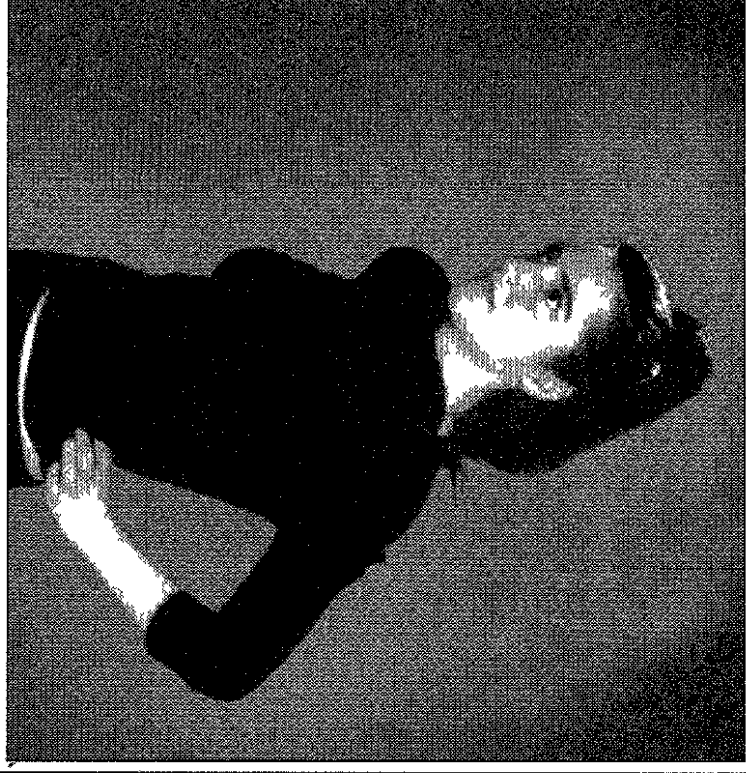
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Ann Arbor Art Fair
 July 21-23 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday Ann Arbor downtown and University of Michigan campus call the Ann Arbor Convention and Visitors Bureau at (800) 888-9487 or visit www.annarbortour.org

Family fun

Louis Prima tribute

highlights Italian festival

BY LANA MINI
 STAFF WRITER

A 12-piece orchestra, a video screen showing rare footage of Louis Prima on *The Ed Sullivan Show* and the live performance by daughter Lena Prima at Freedom Hill highlight the Italian Festival this weekend.

Celebrating Italian music, food and heritage is the theme for three days, July 22-24.

"It's also about bringing in younger Italian kids and letting them enjoy their heritage," said John Bonnamarro, who sits on the festival's planning committee. "And it's about sharing it all with everyone."

There's a beautiful baby contest, a menhball contest judged by circuit and district court judges, a Columbus Queen contest and a Sunday morning Mass. There's also a beer, wine, espresso and cappuccino cafe.

Lena Prima will sing the music of her father, Louis Prima, at the festival.

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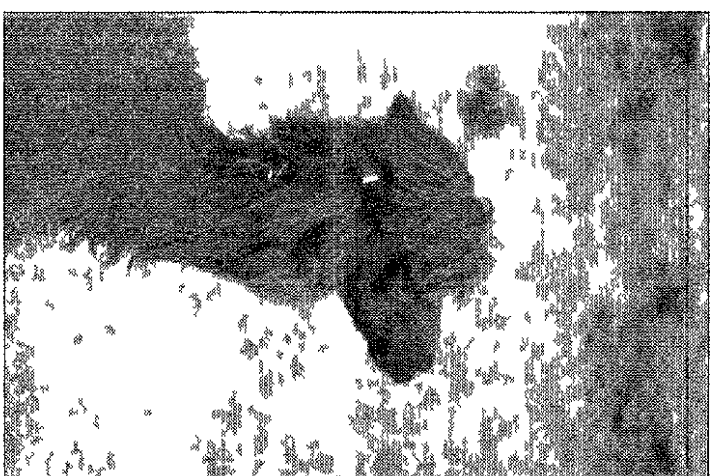
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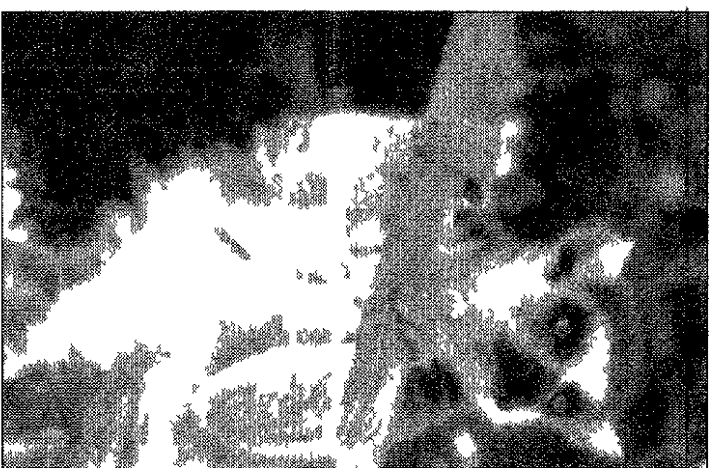
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A llama can carry a load of 100 pounds 16 miles a day at altitudes up to 16,000 feet. At night, a ring-tailed lemur hangs out at the Detroit Zoo.



ZOO

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Aug. 13-14
A draw for the kids and a great way to cool off after exploring the zoo's outdoor exhibits is *Dino Island*, a motion-based film simulation.

It kind of gives riders that experience of exploring an island with prehistoric life on it. You come eye to eye with T-Rex and other dinosaurs. Kozouz said the simulator is located in the new Ford Center for Education, which is scheduled to fully open to the public later this summer.

For art lovers, visit the Wildlife Interpretative Gallery and check out the *Wandering Naturalist*, a collection of prints inspired by the natural landscape and animals. The indoor exhibit continues through Sept. 5.

But whatever you choose to do, don't miss out on the zoo's latest addition: its first white rhino exhibit featuring a pair of the endangered animals named Jasiri and Tamba, both male. White rhinos come from South Africa and tend to be more social than their species counterparts.

They're very different and they're so unique looking. And very interesting to watch. They have an interesting gait," said Kozouz.

Another not to miss experience is the zoo's polar bear cub, now weighing in at about 50 pounds and happily swimming with mom in the tanks of the Arctic Ring of Life to the delight of visitors, Kozouz said.

"I think everybody is pretty much in love with the polar bear cub," Kozouz said.

TO DO AT THE ZOO

- **New to see:** The first white rhino exhibit, the Arctic Ring of Life's new polar bear cub and the zoo's first ever pair of wolvenme kits
- **Wild Summer Nights entertainment series:** Backman & Arnold (Folk/Rock) July 27; Jimi Hocking (Blues/Swing Style) Aug. 3; Jill Jack (Folk/Rock) Aug. 10; Candy Band (Children's) Aug. 17; Jody Raffoul (Acoustic Rock) Aug. 24; James Coffey (Children's) Aug. 31; all performances 6:30-8 p.m.
- **Festival weekends:** include the Caribbean Festival Aug. 13-14 and Native American Festival Oct. 8-9; all feature entertainment, ethnic food and arts and crafts
- **"Dino Island,"** a motion-based film simulation about dinosaurs. Wild Adventure Simulator \$4
- **Memberfest:** an appreciation night for Zoo members with entertainment, arts and crafts, animal feedings and more 6-9 p.m. July 31 and Aug. 1
- **"The Wandering Naturalist"** art exhibition through Sept. 5. Wildlife Interpretative Gallery

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BY LANA NINI
STAFF WRITER

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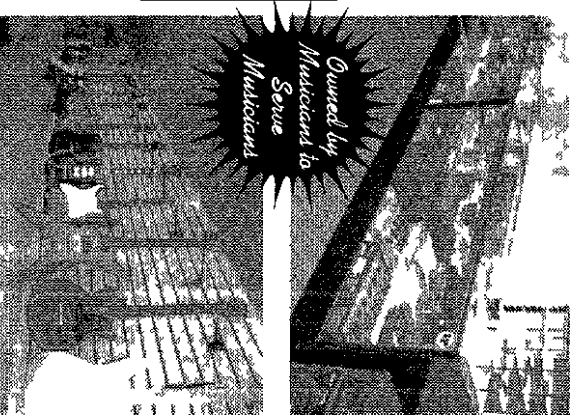
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P.F. Chang's makes Chinese food fun

BY ELEANOR HEAD
CORRESPONDENT

Chicken in soothing lettuce wraps. How many diners knew this Chinese appetizer before P.F. Chang's came to the metro Detroit area? Today, it's Chang's No. 1 seller.

"P.F. Chang's contribution to the world of restaurants is its ability to make Chinese dishes easily understood and full of the flavors Americans like," said Rob Banish, Chang's Northville location operating partner.

Before Chang's began taking reservations, weekend waits for a table were as long as two hours. So Chang's adopted call ahead

seating. Better, but not great.

Now, all locations take reservations and along with the restaurant's vegetarian and food allergy consciousness (peanuts, mushy room and some oils), Chang's is more popular than ever.

CHINESE PRINCIPLES

Wait staff, who also create sauces tableside, are generally skilled at guiding guests through the menu. Even during peak dining hours, service of food and beverages, including selections from a well designed wine list, is timely.

By balancing the Chinese

PLEASE SEE P.F., D11



TOM HORTMAYER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

John Rees (left), executive chef and culinary partner, and Robert Banish, operating partner, show an assortment of dishes in the dining room of P.F. Chang's in Northville

P.F.

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principles of fan and t'sai. P.F. Chang's menu is designed to offer harmony of color, aroma, taste and texture.

Fan foods are rice, noodles, grains and dumplings, while vegetables, meat, poultry, and seafood are t'sai foods. Coupled with this are the modern and innovative dishes expressive of evolving Southeast Asia influences on Chinese cuisine.

Diners can witness this played out as cooks use Mandarin style wok cooking in exhibition kitchens, an essential part of Chang's feel.

WHAT TO ORDER

Ordering solely from the appetizer section brings a host of dishes, easily shared and creating a satisfying meal. My favorites are Chang's chicken in soothing lettuce wraps, crispy harvest spring rolls, pan fried Peking

dumplings and Shanghai street dumplings.

Warm duck spinach salad with citrus soy dressing, Mandarin oranges, almonds and fried shallots raises the bar on spinach salads. Vegetarian plates, especially Shanghai and Sichuan style dishes, are packed with flavor.

Innovative dishes are Cantonese roasted duck and ginger chicken and broccoli. Krung Pao shrimp is kicked up with chili peppers. Oolong marinated sea bass takes this fish to new heights.

Mongolian beef and wok seared lamb are meat treats. The latter is marinated lamb with scallions and sesame, served with calamari over stir-fried lettuce.

Banana spring rolls make a unique dessert rounding out a P.F. Chang's experience.

Eleanor Head is a nationally published writer and Troy resident who writes about restaurant food, wine and spirits for the *Observer & Eccentric* Newspapers. Contact her by e-mail at efocus@me@aol.com

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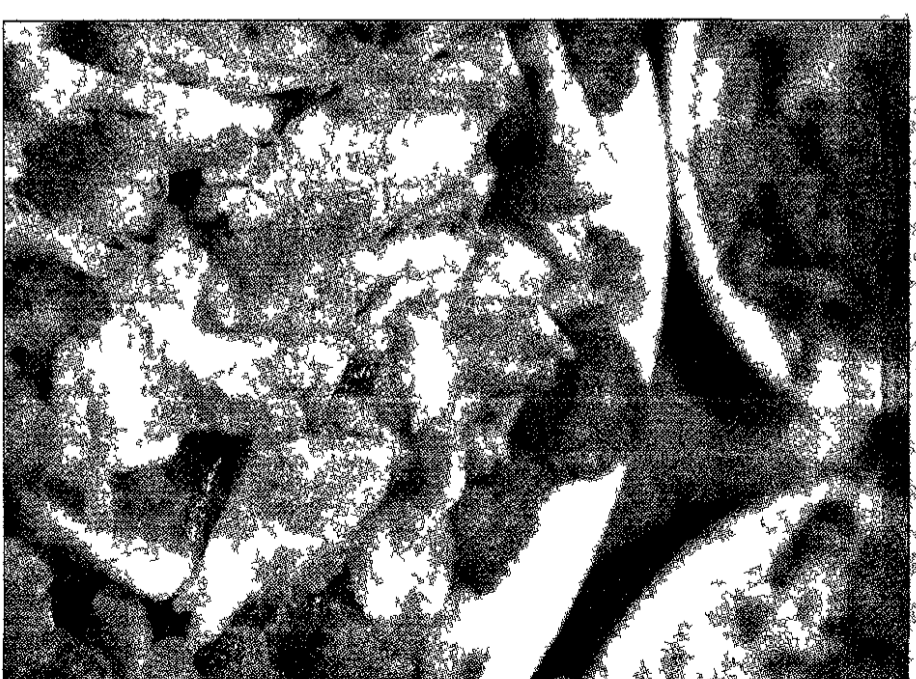
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