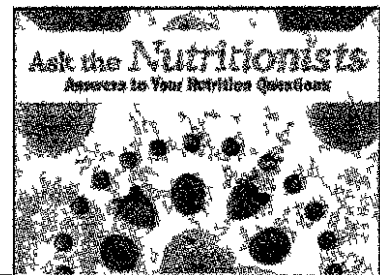




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Symphony strikes new chord with Penn

Deal could have orchestra on theater stage

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

When the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra found out earlier this year it would not be playing at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Plymouth Township because of scheduling conflicts with church activities, there were concerns the 60-year-old Plymouth tradition would move out of town to find a venue large enough to hold its concerts

In fact, discussions were already under

way for the symphony to play in the state-of-the-art performing arts center at Northville High School, which could accommodate the 400-800 patrons of the orchestra

However, it now appears the Plymouth Symphony is staying home, and will play in downtown Plymouth at a renovated Penn Theatre

The move became more likely after Plymouth Symphony Society President Don Soenen put together a corporation that's purchasing the theater from owners Chrs Knight and Pat Tortora for \$1.2 million. In

19 days, Soenen was able to convince 10 people to give either \$100,000 or \$200,000 to buy the historic theater, and then lease it to the Friends of the Penn — which plans to restore the theater — for \$1 a year. The closing is expected by the end of this month.

"The (Plymouth symphony) board gave us its approval (Wednesday) to pursue that alternative," said Soenen. "Our primary interest has always been to stay in Plymouth."



The Plymouth Symphony Orchestra could be playing at the Penn Theatre by this fall if an agreement can be reached.

PLEASE SEE SYMPHONY, A8

Weather helps as hall project continues

Construction on schedule for mid-June completion

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

With Mother Nature cooperating for the most part, crews have been able to stay on schedule as construction on the new Plymouth Township hall continues with an eye on a mid- to late June completion date.

While cold temperatures caused some problems back in November, officials said the relatively mild January has helped keep everything on track.

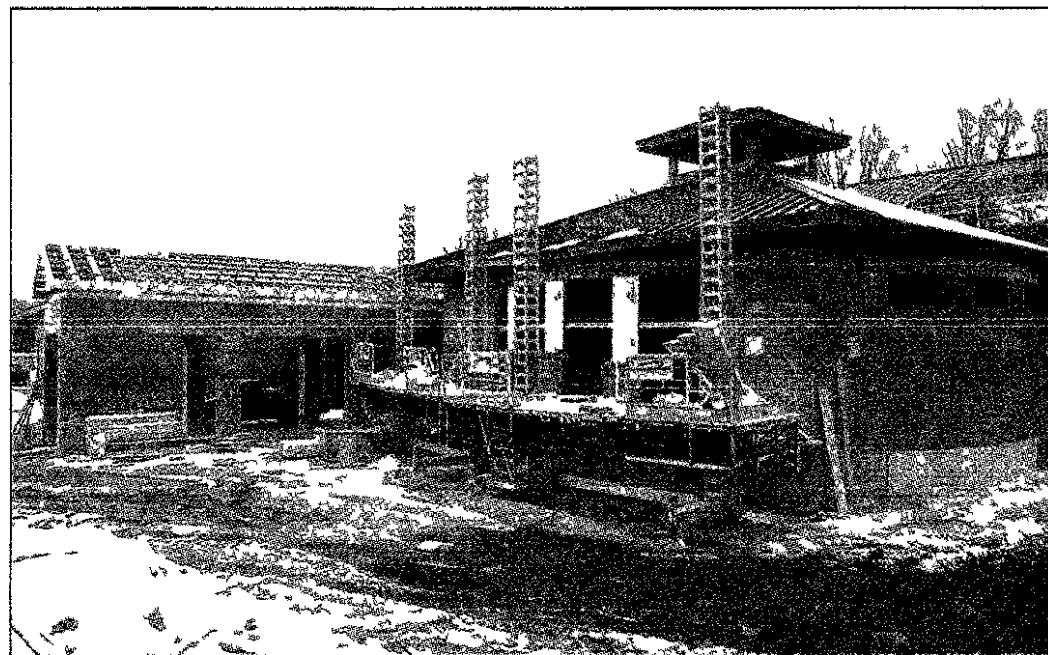
"The weather has definitely helped," said senior project manager Jack Michael of the DeMattia Group, the construction manager for the project. "It hurt us a little in November and early December when it was so cold, but we made up for it with the better weather we've had lately."

The walls are up and the roofs are on both the 47,000-square-foot township hall and the new 8,000-square-foot fire station located on just over nine acres of property the township purchased from auto magnate Don Massey at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty.

Inside the buildings, most of the drywall was expected to be hung by the end of this week. The new Fire Station 1, Michael said, is enclosed, and drywall partitions are expected to go up soon. Michael said the millwork, carpentry, cabinets, etc., are expected to be done in the next two-three weeks.

"The entire project team has been working diligently to get this project done," Michael said. "It's basically been pretty much a standard project. There haven't really been any big issues."

Budget issues could start creeping up, though. The project, originally scheduled at some \$12 million,



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Officials say construction on Plymouth Township's new offices, located at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty, is on schedule for a mid-June completion.



Township Treasurer Ron Edwards said he hopes the project can be done ahead of schedule.

crept up to more than \$14 million before the township board took an ax to the budget several months ago and shaved it to \$13.1 million.

Still to be determined is how the township will use any money they get out of the sale of the current township complex at Ann Arbor Road and Lilley. Initially, officials figured on getting \$2.5 million-\$3 mil-

lion, but when bids were opened two weeks ago, the top bid came in at \$4.25 million.

Township Treasurer Ron Edwards said extra money derived from that sale could be used to put some things back into the township hall project.

The township board is expected to vote on bids for the current property at its Feb. 21 meeting. In the



While the buildings at the new complex have been enclosed, work continues inside the new township offices.

meantime, Edwards said, things are going smoothly toward a June completion. "I think they're moving along pretty good," Edwards said. "There are a lot of things in place."

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United Way tops target in '05 drive

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

With the lagging Michigan economy and the huge number of dollars sent to hurricane victims in the South, many non-profit organizations failed to meet their campaign goals to pay for much-needed social service programs.

However, the Plymouth Community United Way dodged that economic bullet, announcing Friday it beat the 2005 campaign goal of \$1.3 million by \$29,000.

"The economic environment in the area is pretty demanding, considering how tied we are to the auto industry and what's going on in the world around us," said Harry Krespy, the 2005 chairman of the board at the PCUW's annual meeting. "To be able to turn out the campaign we did this year shows how deep

people dug into their pockets to support human services in our community."

One of those automotive companies, Johnson Controls, led the way by contributing \$816,000 of the total campaign. Vicky Armstrong, human resources director at JCI who has directed the company's PCUW campaign the past two years, said despite the problems of the auto industry, there has been an upward trend at JCI in charitable giving.

"Our employees are so willing to give, we get great support from our leadership, and our company does a dollar-for-dollar match from our JCI foundation," said Armstrong. "We expect to raise the bar next year."

Along with JCI, other top companies in last year's campaign included Visteon and

PLEASE SEE UNITED WAY, A8

Plymouth cops warn residents after pizza heist

BY TONY BRUSCATO
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth police this week notified residents in the Simpson/Dewey area of the possibility a gun used in last week-end's robbery at Hungry Howies Pizza on Main Street could be in someone's back yard.

Police arrested one man on unrelated charges and consider him a suspect in the Saturday, Feb. 4, robbery in which a ski-masked bandit entered a rear door and demanded cash.

However, after finding clothing items from a possible suspect in the back yard of a home in the 600 block of Simpson, Plymouth police are being cautious by telling residents to

check their back yards for any other items, including a gun.

"We're asking residents to look for any strange clothing items, as well as the possibility of a handgun, in or around their yards," said Police Chief Wayne Carroll. "We're not even sure that a gun was dropped in the neighborhood, but we just want to be proactive in warning residents. We want parents to talk to their children about what to do if a gun is found."

Residents should contact Plymouth police about any items found at (734) 453-8600. Information about the robbery should be forwarded to the detective bureau at (734) 453-1234, Ext. 208.

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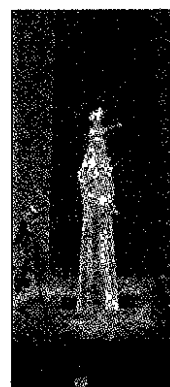
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Coming Thursday in Filter

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ArtReach luncheon

The Plymouth Community Arts Council welcomes Robert Jones to the ArtReach Luncheon March 2 at 11:30 a.m.

As a performer and teacher of traditional and original blues, spiritual, and folk music, his presentations, for audiences of all ages, have been praised for both their entertaining and educational content.

Proceeds from this event help to send fifth-graders in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools to the Detroit Institute of Arts each year. For many of them, PCAC officials said, it's the first time they have experienced a museum.

Tickets are \$15 and are available at the Arts Council, 774 N. Sheldon, Plymouth, or by calling (734) 416-4278.

Open houses

Cross Bridge Academy, a school for the development of children along the autistic spectrum and those with significant language and sensory processing disorders, hosts an open house 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, at Compass Café in downtown Plymouth.

The academy, which opens a second classroom for the 2006-2007 school year, incorporates the successful Association Method, Sensory Integration Therapy and Social Pragmatic language lessons all geared to the individual needs of the child. The program is academically oriented with a focus on reading and writing.

For more information or to

attend the open house, e-mail director Katie Kramer at katie.aces@comcast.net or call (734) 649-1044.

New Morning School hosts its annual open house 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19.

The event includes a discussion about the history and philosophy of the school followed by a question-and-answer session with the teachers and staff. At 2 p.m. the annual Student Museum will begin for community and family viewing with refreshments being served.

The school is located at 14501 Haggerty Road between Schoolcraft and Five Mile in Plymouth Township. For more information about the school and to reserve space at the discussion meeting, call (734) 420-3331.

Arts ensemble

The second-annual Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters Spring Arts and Crafts Ensemble takes place at Canton High School 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 11.

It is a juried show featuring local art and handmade crafts. Music will be provided throughout the day performed by PCEP students, and food will be available for purchase, including a bake sale.

Admission is \$2, with all proceeds benefiting the Plymouth-Canton music program.

Frog listeners

Friends of the Rouge is seeking volunteers for the ninth-annual Rouge River Watershed Frog and Toad Survey, and one of the training seminars is coming to Plymouth.



Excellent evening

The Educational Excellence Foundation of Plymouth-Canton schools presents 'An Evening of Excellence,' 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, at the Village Theater in Canton. The event is a fund-raiser for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools that showcases outstanding performances by more than 200 of the district's students. Performing groups include the P-CEP Wind Ensemble, P-CEP Orchestra Strings (above), P-CEP Fancy Schmancy, Park Players, Second Stage Players, West Dream Team, Central Jazz Band, P-CEP Madrigals and Winter Guard. Tickets are \$100 per person (6:30 p.m. strolling dinner wine, performance, dessert, champagne) or \$50 per person (7:45 p.m., performance, dessert, champagne). A portion of the ticket price is tax-deductible. To order tickets or for more information, call Carole Kody at (734) 416-2718 or e-mail to kodyc@pccs.k12.mi.us.

Volunteers need no prior experience but must attend one two-hour training workshop and learn eight breeding calls from a CD that is provided. All materials are provided. Surveys are conducted independently on damp, warm evenings, several times a month beginning in March and ending in July.

This is a simple presence/absence survey in which participants identify what species are calling. Survey locations must be within the Rouge River Watershed in wetlands.

Organizers say the survey is a fun opportunity to spend time with family and friends outdoors learning about local wildlife. Families, students, seniors, etc. are encouraged to sign up. Pre-registration for workshops is required by e-mailing picoordinator@therouge.org or calling (313) 792-9621.

The Plymouth training session takes place 10 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 11 at the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees meeting room, 42350 Ann Arbor Road (at Lilley).

Training sessions are also available in Ypsilanti, Livonia, Dearborn and Southfield. Volunteers should provide full name, address, phone and e-mail and which workshop you would like to attend.

Civil War roundtable

On Thursday, Feb. 16, the Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table presents Martin Brosnan giving an informational and entertaining presentation titled "Historical Mysteries."

Brosnan, a retired educator and administrator, is a member of the Abraham Lincoln Civil War Round Table and the Michigan Regimental Round Table. He is a well-known lecturer for the Detroit Historical Department and a contributor to *Smithsonian Magazine*.

He is also known for his tours of historic Detroit areas such as Elmwood Cemetery. His areas of expertise include Detroit history, First Ladies, the death of Abraham Lincoln and, of course, the Civil War.

The meeting begins at 8 p.m. at the Plymouth Historical Museum, 155 S. Main St. in

downtown Plymouth. The public is invited. Admission is free. For more information call (734) 459-7324.

Presidential visit

Sandy Germany of Alabama, the national president of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, makes a stop in metro Detroit Feb. 21-23.

Germany, who will stay in Plymouth during her visit, will be met at the airport by National Big Ten Chairman Edna Kivimemi, Department of Michigan President Linda Burton of Northville and other department officers and charmen.

While in the area, Germany will visit VFW posts in Center Line, Hamburg, Fenton and Dearborn Heights.

The Music Lady

A perennial favorite at Plymouth's 'Music in the Park' concert series, Beverly Meyer, "The Music Lady," performs as part of the Plymouth Community Arts Council's 'First Friday' series 7 p.m. Friday, March 3 at the Joanne Winkelman Hulce Center for the Arts, 774 N. Sheldon Rd., Plymouth.

Meyer will provide an interactive performance full of fun and audience participation opportunities for the whole family.

Tickets are \$10 per person or \$20 per family and are available at the PCAC or by calling (734) 416-4278.

YMCA programs

The Plymouth Family YMCA is accepting registrations for its Winter II youth sports classes. Programs are filled on a first come, first-served basis.

Programs include: Y-Hoops, an instructional basketball program for 4- and 5-year-olds, 6 p.m. Tuesdays, March 7-April 11 at New Morning School, cost \$55.

A basketball clinic that focuses on teaching kids fundamentals and fun as well as fine tuning skills, 7 p.m. Tuesdays, March 7-April 11 at New Morning School, \$55.

Y-Pucks, a floor hockey program for 4- to 6-year-olds that focuses on teaching fundamentals and fun, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, March 9-April 13 at First Baptist Church, \$55.

Bumble Soccer, an instructional class for 3- to 5-year-olds, 6 p.m. Wednesdays, March 8-April 12 at Isbister Elementary School or 6 p.m. Fridays, March 10-April 14 at New Morning School, \$55.

Soccer Clinic 5- to 7-year-

olds trying to improve their soccer skills, 7 p.m. Wednesdays, March 8-April 12 at Isbister Elementary or 7 p.m. Fridays, March 10-April 14 at New Morning School, \$55.

Girls Volleyball program teaches players how to play the game of volleyball in a safe and recreational environment, First Baptist Church, 6 p.m. Mondays for beginners, 7 p.m. for advanced players, March 6-April 10, \$55. All players need to show up at 6 p.m. March 6.

Basement remodeling

Plymouth-Canton Community Education offers an eight-hour seminar on basement remodeling 6-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, March 7 and March 9 at Canton High School, 8415 Canton Center Road.

The seminar is designed to help people make better use of valuable space in their homes by planning and completing a successful basement remodeling. The instructor will explain facets of remodeling including space planning, meeting building codes, insurance, permits, estimating materials as well as the basics of construction.

Cost is \$99 plus \$10 for textbook and materials. Pre-registration with payment is required by Friday, March 3. To register or for more information, call (734) 416-2937.

Basketball raffle

The Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club is raffling off two tickets for the first and second rounds of the NCAA Basketball tournament to be held at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

The tickets will be good for all games played March 17 and March 19 and are valued at \$360. Raffle tickets are being sold for \$10 each and only 250 tickets will be sold. The drawing takes place 8 a.m. March 7 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, you don't have to be present to win.

Proceeds from the raffle benefit the programs of the Plymouth-Canton Kiwanis Breakfast Club. Projects planned include donating dictionaries to all third-graders in Plymouth-Canton schools, scholarship for a graduating senior and support for First Step, Angel Tree Prison Ministries and Salvation Army Adopt-a-Family programs.

For more information email Deborah Torzy at dtorzy@hotmail.com or call (734) 453-9904.

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Dina and Bob Anderson (from left) Kate Rosevear and Joanne Lamar from Rotary meet with Edmonson Principal Joanne Petrini while delivering books

Rotary's book donation fills schools' shelves

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Students at Tanger Center in Plymouth Canton and Detroit's Edmonson Elementary School have some new books thanks to the Plymouth A.M. Rotary.

The club has been collecting books for about six months said Kate Rosevear, community service chair. The link to Edmonson on Canfield in Detroit came when member Joanne Lamar, a registered nurse and manager with Henry Ford, did a care day there.

"We delivered another box this morning," Rosevear said Tuesday of the Rotary group that went to Edmonson, where books will supplement classroom and library collections. Students do much better with reading with ready access to books, she said.

There's a real need down there, she said, adding the school hasn't had a librarian for years.

Speakers at the Tuesday morning club sign paperback books each week with Rotarians contributing to buy the books and member Deb Madonna doing the purchasing. Rotarian Bob Anderson and wife Dina donated some 300 books for the Detroit grade school.

They're classics, Rosevear said of the books, which had belonged to Anderson's family. Dina Anderson is a school librarian.

Rosevear would like to see the Rotary club serve as a conduit for other book donations.

"We met with the principal, Joanne Petrini," Petrini has been at the Detroit school since the 1960s, Rosevear said. She and others are grateful for the donation. They knew we were

Services held for Duane Sues

Duane Sues, a Westland father of two whose battle with cancer stirred emotions and drew support from many communities, died Saturday at the

Karmanos Cancer Institute in Detroit. He was 30. Mr. Sues, a carpet installer, had fought a painful battle against a form of head and neck cancer that

is rare for someone his age. His story was detailed in the *Observer* in October to promote a fund raiser organized by his mother, Jeanne Mazur.

Mr. Sues's situation brought in prayers, cards and financial donations from many communities and prompted one company to adopt the family and buy gifts last Christmas.

Services were Tuesday at Griffin Funeral Home in Westland. The Rev. Drexel Morton of St. Michael Lutheran Church in Canton officiated.

Survivors include his wife, Stacy; daughter Kayla; son Kyler; two brothers, Jake Lawson and Adam Lawson; and two sisters, Amy Martin and Julie Lawson.

Boosting teen talent

Show gives kids chance to show off on stage

BY DIANE HANSON
CORRESPONDENT

Appreciative audiences at Salem auditorium Friday and Saturday nights enthusiastically applauded performances ranging from hard rock to symphony music, ballet to break dancing, and comedy skits to amazing solo vocalists.

The occasion was the annual talent show "Variety Is" hosted by the Plymouth-Canton Music Boosters and showcasing teen talent from Canton, Plymouth and Salem high schools.

"There is a long standing tradition to this," said Booster president Mark Stamper. "It is a very important piece of what we do in giving the kids a great educational experience."

And he should know. Not only does Stamper have a daughter who has gone through the music program at P-CEP, and a son who is now a freshman percussionist in the marching band, but Stamper himself is an alumnus of the music program. He was in the marching band from 1973 to 1975 under the direction of James Griffith.

"Variety Is" is 30 plus years of a student-run variety show," said Stamper. "The kids manage it, audition the acts, create the programs and manage the publicity along with some parent support."

Canton senior Liz Jadcak concurred. She served as co-manager of the production along with Salem senior Amber Teunis.

This is a student-run thing, said Jadcak. We started before Christmas laying out the schedules and what was expected for tryouts. We put up flyers for auditions, held the auditions two weeks before the show and last week was all dress rehearsals. This weekend was the show and it went really well.

Teunis pointed out there were many details to consider in addition to the actual production.



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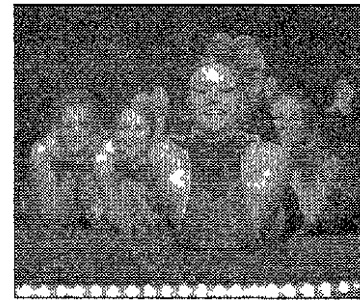
Emcees (from left) Polly Jackson, Emma Distel, Tarrah Barshaw, Blake Belden, Chelsea Miller and John Noss entertained with a generous dose of humor between acts at Variety Is Friday and Saturday nights.

"We had to do a lot of paperwork to get the auditorium and the cafeteria on the right dates—right down to making sure we had enough trash cans," Teunis said.

Auditions were open to students in all schools at the Park and the production featured performances by the P-CEP Concert and Symphony bands as well as the Wind Ensemble. And the 50-member P-CEP Color Guard displayed their dance prowess in a lively number.

Each evening's production concluded with a seat-vibrating performance by the 200-member P-CEP Marching Band recapping their 2005 award-winning competition show "Performing Inside Out."

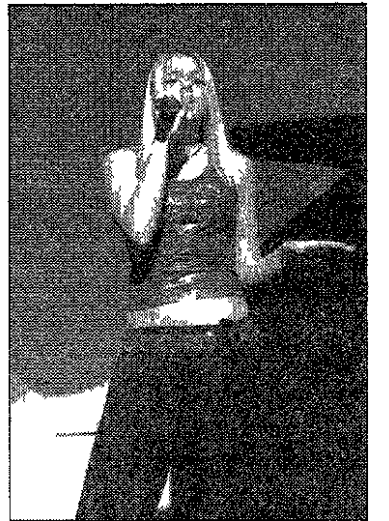
Salem senior Blake Belden who played baritone with the marching band and served as one of the emcees for "Variety Is," found his final perform-



Plymouth senior Jenna Volstromer has much to smile about at the conclusion of a colorful, fast-paced dance number by the 50-member P-CEP color guard.

ance with the band bittersweet.

"I didn't think I'd be this sad," he said at the conclusion of the Saturday night show. Although he admitted marching band was very time-consuming, he added, "It was totally worth four years. I think it made me a better person."



Salem senior Cole Meredith, who played tuba with the 2005 P-CEP Marching Band, proves there's much more to her musical talent as she mesmerizes the audience with the beautiful melody and lyrics of a song she composed.

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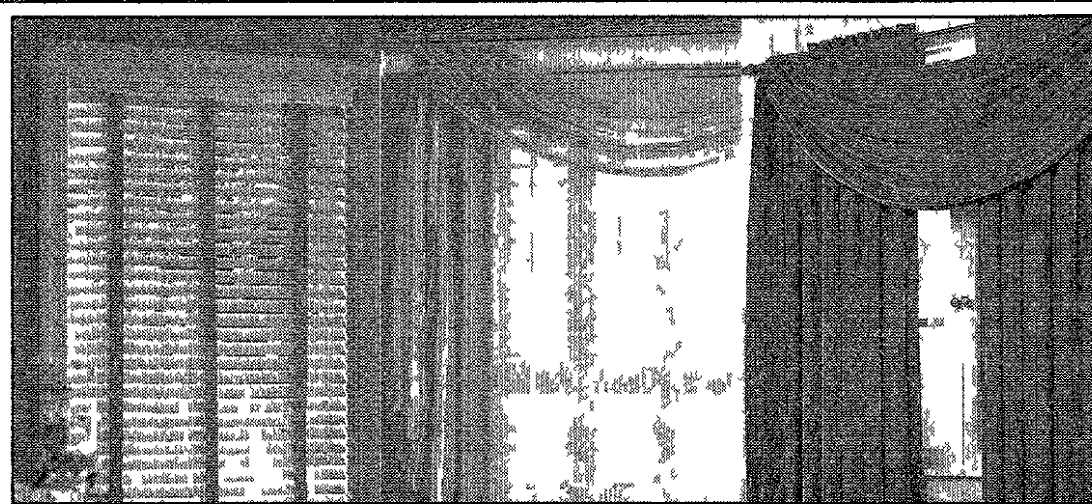
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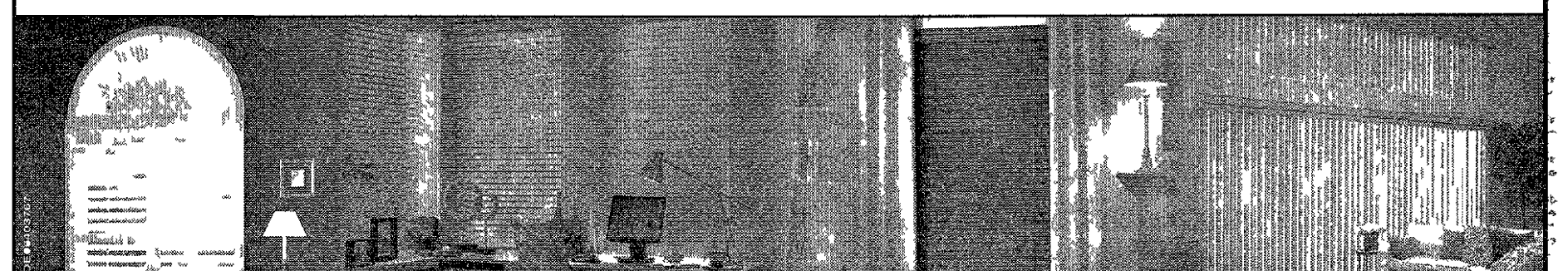
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Gifts strengthen community

BY JULIE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Local historian Helen Gilbert, who died in 2004 at age 92, has left considerable gifts to local organizations through her estate

The American Association of University Women, which has a Plymouth-Canton branch, received \$114,447 to be used for scholarships across the country Gilbert, a longtime educator, was a charter member of AAUW, known as the Plymouth branch when it was founded in 1952

"Oh, absolutely We were shocked," said Dorothy Grant of Plymouth Township, Educational Foundation and Legal Advocacy Fund chair for the branch She also left a similar amount to the Plymouth Historical Museum' Beth Stewart of Plymouth Township, museum director, was also pleased with Gilbert's gift

Of course, her great interest and love was in the archives and (museum) library," Stewart



Gilbert

said "We have been very excited about being able to upgrade a lot of the things we have done"

The museum has bought acid-free paper, boxes and other storage materials A conservator came for a two-day visit to make recommendations on American Association of Museums accreditation standards

"That's just been a great thing for us, Stewart said "That's really a wonderful thing to do" Gilbert's nephew has been kind to the museum, she added, and has understood his aunt's wishes for her estate

Gilbert, who lived on Penniman in the city, was a University of Michigan graduate AAUW member Mary Birchmeier had her as an English/journalism teacher at Melvindale High School

Gilbert was friends with longtime Plymouth-Canton

educator Mary Fritz, also an AAUW member Gilbert published two books, *Tonquish Tales* and *Tonquish Tales II*, including stories of early southern Michigan, pioneers and Michigan Indians She wrote a column for the *Observer* in the 1980s Her books are still available at the Plymouth Historical Museum gift shop

She did a lot of research in writing those books," Grant said, adding Gilbert acknowledged the help of Fritz and Patricia Thomas, Plymouth District Library director "She did donate a lot of her books to the Plymouth Historical Museum," Grant said She had quite a collection She was really into history

Longtime Plymouth-Canton educators Nancy Tanger and Irene Walldorf also remembered the museum in their estates, Stewart said It's a way for your name as well to live on

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DEATHS

B
Maurice Clinton Beers
Beers 92 died

C
Paul D Carter
Carter 96 of Dearborn died Jan 27

Charles E Childs
Childs 87 of Plymouth died Feb 2

Edward L Chmielewski
Chmielewski 83 died

D
Madaleen M Doherty
Doherty 78 of Wayne died Feb 6

Paul N DuBrico
DuBrico 85 of Waterford died Feb 9

H
Richard T Hartzell
Hartzell 70 of Orchard Lake died Feb 8

K
Helene G Kvet
Kvet 88 of Birmingham died Feb 6

L

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Lett 80 of Birmingham died Feb 6

M

Zachary Scott (Zak) Metzker
Metzker formerly of Rochester died Feb 4

N

Craig Steven Nielsen
Nielsen 53 died Feb 9

P

George Frederick Pepp
Pepp 75 of Burnsville N.C. died Feb 5

Robert Ahlman Peterson
Peterson 62 of Grand Rapids died Feb 9

R

Laura Anne Polakowski
Polakowski 42 of Franklin died Feb 5

Virginia V Pryce
Pryce 86 died Feb 7

R

William E Ramsay
Ramsay 54 died Feb 5

Ronald Dean Roberts

Roberts 74 of Gold Canyon Ariz. formerly of Farmington and Livonia died Nov 23

S

Walter J Roberts
Roberts 85 of Plymouth died Feb 7

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Marian Beck Schultz
Schultz 62 of Plymouth died Feb 7

Dolores R 'Laurie' Seregny
Seregny 78 formerly of Bloomfield Hills died Feb 5

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Webb died Feb 3

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Salon sponsors 'hairy' event

BY BRAD KADRICH
STAFF WRITER

Shari Pilukas figures people who go to the trouble of growing their hair long enough to have a 10-inch pony-tail might not be too eager to have them cut off

Still Pilukas, the salon manager at Gerald's Salon on Five Mile in Plymouth Township, is hoping to find at least 100 of them to help support the salon's charity event for Locks of Love later this month

Staffers at the salon, which has been in the township nearly 30 years, are hoping at least that many donors will want to donate hair for a worthy cause, namely children 18 and younger, many of them diagnosed with cancer

We have a lot of clients who either have cancer, have children with cancer or know someone who has cancer, said Pilukas. There seem to be so many problems with challenges in the economy and disasters happening. We need to put less emphasis on us and more on the world.

The Gerald's event takes place 1-7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27, at Gerald's Salon, 41012 Five Mile. Complimentary haircuts are being offered to anyone donating 10 inches of hair or more, the minimum donation allowed by Locks of Love.

Locks of Love, established in 1998, donates the hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children with medical hair loss. The organization has helped more than 2,000 children since its first year of operation.

According to Locks of Love officials, children comprise more than 80 percent of



Gerald's Salon stylist Lindsay Madgwick (right) measures the hair on client Kelly Paquette as Gerald's prepares for its Feb. 27 Locks of Love event.

HAIR TODAY

- What: Locks of Love donation drive
- Where: Gerald's Salon, 41012 Five Mile, Plymouth
- When: 1-7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27
- Who: Anyone with 10 inches of hair or more to donate
- How: Make an appointment by calling (734) 420-0111
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Training is a huge part of their job.

We're a career salon, Pilukas said. "If people work here, they work here full time."

While training has been a big thing for the salon the last few years, Pilukas said they're shifting their focus.

This year, we've decided to focus on charity, she said.

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Medications that enter a cell face the problem that the cell sees that medication as not belonging there. Over time the cell produces proteins that erode the cell to extrude or pump the medication out. When the pumps become efficient, the medication cannot remain long enough within the cell to be effective.

In some cases, the arthritis medication stops an enzyme from working that the cell needs. Over time the cell produces excess enzymes and so overcomes the effect of the medication.

Inflammatory cells can battle drugs that fix on the cell's receptor site. The cell may develop a mutation that is change the configuration of the receptor site to make it impossible for the drug to claim the receptor site. At the same time the change is sufficiently small to permit the chemical needed to start the inflammatory cascade to take hold when it reaches the receptor.

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IN BUSINESS

Logo designer

The Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce has unveiled a new logo, designed by FOURSIGHT Creative Group, Inc., a design, marketing, Web and solutions firm based in Plymouth



This new logo for the Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce was designed by Plymouth company FOURSIGHT Creative Group

The chamber received more than 30 logo entries in its logo contest, held in late 2005. FOURSIGHT's concept, designed by senior graphic designer Kristine Wise, is a refreshing take on Ann Arbor resources as a 'tree town' and positive place for business, and shows a progressive departure from conventional Chamber logos.

Sabrina Keeley, president of the Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce, said, "We're very pleased with the design. FOURSIGHT developed the new logo and our tagline 'together we profit' serve as a wonderful representation of who we are and our mission to serve the Ann Arbor area business community."

FOURSIGHT Creative Group, Inc., located at 900 Starkweather in Plymouth, can be reached on the Web at www.foursightcreative.com or by phone at (734) 453-6991.

Dual-by-wire technology

Link Engineering announced it has developed a new product, Dual-by-Wire,

for brake test dynamometers. Dual-ended dynamometers are used to simulate the combined performance of front and rear brakes on a vehicle. Such dynamometers can provide highly accurate representations of vehicle performance. Until now, dual-ended testing required a large twin station dynamometer with a rigid shaft connecting the stations.

This new technology provides dual-ended brake testing with nothing but electronic connections between dynamometers. It enables two single-ended dynamometers to be connected electronically to create a twin dynamometer. There is no longer a need for a shaft connection between the dynamometers. This development multiplies the effectiveness of existing dynamometers and provides increased flexibility in lab design.

One can now run front/rear brake tests with nearly any two dynamometers running ProLink software, reports Jim Thompson, Executive Director of Sales and Marketing. This permits much greater freedom in the placement and usage of dynamometers.

Link Engineering Company has been in operation since 1935 with offices around the globe. LINK designs, develops, manufactures, installs, and operates a wide array of test systems for the automotive, truck, railroad and aerospace industries. They have provided test systems for brakes, transmissions, clutches, axles, drive-line components, steering systems, springs, tires, wheels, and a variety of other components. LINK also provides test services to a global customer base. www.linkeng.com

Financial counseling

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The Accel program provides unbiased information and assistance to help members find solutions to achieve their financial goals. The program assists with personal and family budgeting, credit report reviews, money management, debt repayment, and avoiding bankruptcy, foreclosure and repossession.

As a benefit to our members, particularly during tough economic times, we are providing them with free access to money management and financial education services, said Bill Lawton, CEO of Community Financial. "With the average American carrying personal credit card debt of more than \$8,500, Community Financial is especially committed to providing our members with valuable resources to help them overcome credit problems and work toward financial health."

Accel counselors can negotiate with creditors to reduce payments, interest charges and fees as members work toward paying off their debts. The financial management program also offers free workshops covering topics such as buying a home, surviving a job loss and creating a savings plan.

We strive to provide our members with services that meet all aspects of their financial needs, said Lawton. "Accel counselors will provide our members with personal solutions to their individual concerns ranging from a proactive savings plan to saving a home from foreclosure."

More information about the Accel financial education and counseling program is available through Community Financial's Web site at www.cfcu.org



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Kindergartners Jacob Villacorta, Matthew Donehue and Billy Peralta listened to Marybeth Dillon Butler talk about healthy eating and fitness. Dillon Butler will be at the Book Cellar & Cafe Feb. 18 for a book signing.

Authors headline bookstore opening

Marybeth Dillon Butler, a Livonia resident and reporter who used to cover the Plymouth-Canton area, will be one of four authors on hand when the Book Cellar & Cafe in downtown Plymouth celebrates its "better late than never" grand opening Feb. 17-19.

Dillon Butler will be in full costume as Myrtle the Turtle 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, to read her book, *Myrtle the Hurdler and Her Pink and Purple, Polka Dotted Girdle*, illustrated by fellow Livonia resident David Messing, owner of Art 101 in Livonia.

During her appearance,

Dillon Butler will sign copies of her book, which is available at the Book Cellar. She'll also give a short presentation on health and fitness for youngsters.

Among the other authors taking part: Ann Arbor resident Jonathan Rowe, who wrote the comic thriller *A Question of Identity*, appears 4-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17.

Northville resident Julie Felicelli, author of *It's My Turn Now Where Was I?*, appears 2-6 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18.

Farmington Hills resident Diane Dignan, who wrote *The Boys Club*, appears noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19. Her book is set in Plymouth.

The event is designed not only to showcase local authors, but to include live entertainment and children's characters Clifford the Big Red Dog and Dr. Seuss' Cat in the Hat will be on hand to entertain children Saturday and Sunday. The Blushing Sky poetry troupe will entertain Friday night, and live acoustic guitarist Keith Prmanteir will play Saturday night.

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Michigan seen as bellwether for '08 presidential contest

Carpetbagging, conservative columnist has pushed his snooty nose into the Michigan gubernatorial race Thursday, *Washington Post* columnist George Will wrote a puff piece in praise of Dick DeVos, "a gentlemanly businessman from Grand Rapids," the sure-bet Republican candidate for governor. Will condescends to praise Democrat incumbent Jennifer Granholm with a sneering quote from DeVos, "She's a really nice person." He might have added "and good-looking, too." But while Will acknowledges the decline in Michigan's base auto industry, he puts the burden of Michigan's economic woes on Granholm's "recognizably liberal recovery plan."



Hugh Gallagher

Will takes his shot at the Single Business Tax without offering an alternate revenue stream. Will sees Michigan as a bellwether for the 2008 presidential election, with Republicans the stalwarts for free trade and Democrats as backsliding economic protectionists. In his effort to make the tax-slashing DeVos warm and fuzzy, Will concludes his column by saying that Michigan residents are leaving the state at the highest rate since the early '80s. Will writes, "DeVos tells audiences, 'I don't want to have to get on a plane to visit my grandchildren.' He wants them to have to go to Lansing to visit grandpa." Aw!

Will never mentions that Granholm has had to deal with a Republican Legislature with only two goals — cut taxes and make Granholm look bad at every opportunity. Will also doesn't mention that Granholm was left with a huge deficit by her predecessor, Republican Gov John Engler.

At a recent meeting of the Suburban Republican Women's Club in Livonia, a DeVos flack used the "S" word to describe Granholm's programs. He said it was time to get rid of these "socialist" programs and Dick DeVos was just the person to do it. Of course, no self-respecting socialist party would want Jennifer Granholm as a member and that sort of cheap rhetoric might sound sweet to the choir, but is unproductive in any serious discussion of the state's problems.

Many Democrats would argue that Granholm has been too conservative, too willing to work with the Republican Legislature and not forceful enough at using the bully pulpit to take her vision for the state to the people.

Thursday, Granholm presented her 2007 budget with shocking suggestions that the state needs to close tax loopholes and meet its

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obligations to public schools and to the state's most vulnerable residents.

On Wednesday, Oakland County Executive L Brooks Patterson got on the long train in opposition to the Single Business Tax by proposing a ballot initiative to repeal the SBT. He has the support of the current short-term Speaker of the House Craig DeRoche. The initiative would not include an alternative revenue source. Patterson and DeRoche would argue that just eliminating the SBT will create a plethora of businesses queuing up to make their home in Michigan, which would bring revenue to the state without raising taxes.

Granholm has also proposed eliminating the detested SBT over time, but not without some compensating revenue source for an already strained state government with legitimate expenses, especially in light of a federal government that has pushed more programs down to the state level.

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For that to happen, it would serve Grandpa DeVos better to tell his associates to steer clear of words like socialist.

But there is a good debate here on honest differences about how to reignite Michigan's economy (without forgetting, of course, that DeVos and Granholm do have strong differences on social issues). Granholm sees the state as a strategic player in economic development. DeVos sees economic development as essentially a private matter that will benefit the state by providing jobs and tax revenue without increasing the tax rate. In fact, the most important thing the state can do is reduce the tax burden on businesses. Both believe that diversifying Michigan's economic base is essential.

We want to hear more

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Not all superheroes wear capes, masks – or have special powers

School board campaigns are about to begin.

Fire up the Bat Signal. I'm only half kidding. More and more, as I look back over the various school boards I've covered and the various issues they've faced, it seems the men and women who serve could all use a set of superhero skills.

Certainly this year's school boards have their work cut out for them in trying to grapple with the cost of operations in an economy in which state aid is stuffed. That is a tall order even for Superman himself.

But whatever issues are at hand, school board members need a thick skin — kind of like the Hulks — but without his anger. They can't be too sensitive to the vilification that comes when they try to eliminate or consolidate programs or, worse yet, try to close or consolidate schools. Just ask the folks in Livonia about that last one.

They also need a cool, analytical mind, kind of like Batman, in pouring over budget details, trying to determine which programs and services are truly essential and which aren't.

Wonder Woman's truth-inducing golden lariat would be helpful, too, especially in dealing with student discipline hearings. It shouldn't come as a surprise that teenagers don't always tell the truth, even if confronted with the facts.

Having super speed, like The Flash, would make it easy to get around to all the district's plays, sporting events and other after school activities.

Endless stamina and 24/7 commitment, like Spider-Man's, would also come in handy for the long, and many, meetings board members attend, not to mention the countless after-hours phone calls they receive.



Wayne Peal

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Unlike comic book characters, effective school board members can't have a secret identity, they must be open and available to the public.

It's a lot to expect from anyone. Nor should we expect all of it from any of the men and women who submitted their names by Tuesday's filing deadline.

After all, these won't be people who can't outrun a speeding bullet, stop locomotives in their tracks or leap over tall buildings — or even portable classrooms.

But we can expect that they will be people who will serve with courage and community spirit without receiving a dime for their services.

Kind of like a superhero.

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Marie Morrow, president of the Plymouth Community United Way (left) and United Way board member George Alcaraz (right) present Field Elementary School fifth grade teacher Rick Plecha with a community service award.

UNITED WAY

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Automotive Components Holding, \$200,000, General Motors, \$71,000, and DTE Energy, \$42,000.

Campaign Chairman Rick DeBruyne said the PCUW must work hard to keep the trust of those who contribute.

"We are not only asking people for their hard earned money, but we are asking them for their trust that the money is going to a good cause," said DeBruyne. "We must continue to assure that it does go to worthy causes."

Marie Morrow, PCUW president, said meeting and exceed-

ing the annual drive is necessary to support the trend of increasing human service needs in Plymouth, Canton and Northville.

"There is definitely a growing need developing in western Wayne County," Morrow said. "And, it's more evident with the economic downturn at the industrial companies."

During the meeting, Field Elementary fifth-grade teacher Rich Plecha was given a PCUW Community Service Award for his volunteer efforts in creating and constructing schoolyard habitats at Allen, Bentley, Hoben and Farrand elementary schools. The habitats were built with a \$4,000 grant from Visteon, which was

matched by the PCUW.

It takes a personal sacrifice to really get involved and be able to deliver on specific initiatives," said PCUW board member George Alcaraz in giving Plecha the award (Rick) executed, implemented, had vision and made it come true.

Krespy handed the reigns to Greg Foster, who becomes the 2006 Chairman of the Board.

"It's going to be a real challenge to meet what we did last year, and to exceed it would be beyond our expectations," said Foster. "It's a great show of commitment by the community that we were able to do what we did in 2005, and we're cautiously optimistic."

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Police host construction theft seminar

Construction site theft is an ongoing problem for both law enforcement and the construction industry. The Canton Police Department has partnered with Plymouth Township Police, Northville Township Police and Crime Stoppers to present a construction site theft prevention seminar. We Nail

Thieves" is being held 2-4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, at Canton's Summit on the Park.

Officers will teach proven crime prevention strategies that will help prevent theft at job sites, secure heavy equipment and reduce the overall cost of theft. The goal is to create an environment that makes

it difficult to steal. This informative seminar is recommended for builders and their management level representatives.

Anyone interested in attending should reserve a seat by calling the Canton Police Department's Community Relations Division at (734) 394-5325.

SYMPHONY

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"I think it opens additional opportunities to collaborate with the restaurants in town to offer dinner-concert performances, and generate a lot more traffic downtown," he said, "particularly in the winter months when downtown could use more traffic to support the retail shops."

That's good news to Rachele Frydl, owner of Salon Awesome and her next-door boutique, That's Awesome, within a stone's throw from the Penn.

"I think it's a wonderful idea, it will definitely bring more people to the downtown shopping area," said Frydl. "It will be great to see the Penn with life, once again and bring business to everyone."

Wilma Wagner Cleveland of Plymouth Township attended symphony concerts long before becoming president of the Plymouth Symphony Society in 1981-82, and continues her support. Cleveland said she's

excited about the opportunity for the symphony to play downtown.

"The Penn is a perfect place for the symphony," said Cleveland. "It's centrally located, and will allow for people to have dinner before the concert and get ice cream afterward. I see it as very exciting."

Alan O'Dell of Plymouth Township believes the move is positive for the symphony and community.

"If the Penn becomes a cultural center, I think it will be a good home," said O'Dell. "For years, we've always wondered where the symphony will play next. The Penn will be like a concert hall and give them some identity."

If the deal goes through, the Plymouth Symphony will become the first official tenant of the Penn.

"It's a perfect fit," said Ellen Elliott, executive director of the Friends of the Penn. "It just solidifies our intent to make the Penn a mixed use facility and expanding the types of programming we can have."

Elliott said the Plymouth

Community Band has also expressed interest in playing at the Penn Theatre.

Soenen previously said the Penn wasn't large enough for the crowds the symphony attracts, but said plans by the Friends to add a balcony would increase seating capacity to 550.

"We would consider second performances, such as playing on Saturday night and Sunday afternoon," said Soenen.

"We're still looking at other Plymouth venues to handle our larger concerts, like the Nutcracker and Pops concerts."

Soenen said they are considering adding "one or more performances at the Penn." With the relative ease in raising money to purchase the Penn, Soenen said there are untapped resources ready to give to the arts in Plymouth.


"The message is there's more interest in this community to support the arts than people recognize, and we haven't tapped into that," said Soenen. "I'm not sure the leadership in this community is in sync with the degree of support."

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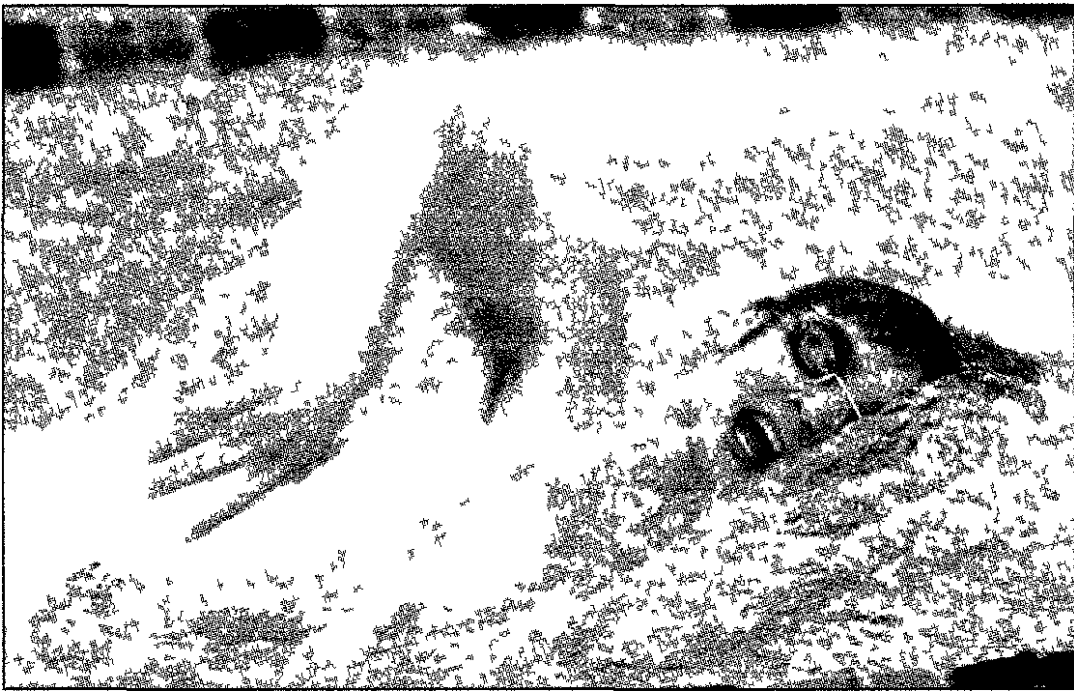
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Andy Knisely stroked to a first-place finish in the 100-yard freestyle in Thursday night's 97-87 victory over Wayne Memorial. Knisely also won the 200 individual medley and was a member of the Wildcats' winning 200 freestyle relay team.

'Cat swimmers upend Zebras

Please see complete results on Page B3

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth's boys swimming victory over Wayne Memorial Thursday night was "Knisely" done. Led by Andy Knisely's individual victories in the 100-yard freestyle (52.73) and 200 individual medley (2:11.50), the Wildcats outlasted the Zebras, 97-87, in a Western Lakes Activities Association Western Division meet held at the Canton High School swimming pool.

Wayne touched first in nine of the 12 events, but the Wildcats' depth prevailed.

Knisely also served as the anchor leg on the Wildcats' first-place 200 freestyle relay team, which also included Michael Conger, Ben

Ambrose and Joseph Eudy.

The Zebras were paced by Jarrett Machovec, who placed first in diving (215.10) and the 100 backstroke (1:01.32) while playing key roles on his team's first-place 200 medley relay and 400 freestyle relay foursomes.

Plymouth's Casey Molloy didn't win an event, but he earned runner-up points in the 200 freestyle (2:03.84) and the 500 freestyle (5:42.82). Also placing second for Plymouth were Michael Conger (50 freestyle and 100 backstroke), Justin Magill (diving), Sorn Oprican (100 butterfly) and Frank Su (100 breaststroke).

A pair of Plymouth relay teams also placed second: the 200 medley relay quartet (Andrew Justus, Dan Stocsup, Sorn Oprican and Ben Ambrose) and the 400 freestyle relay unit (Knisely, Conger, Molloy and Eudy).

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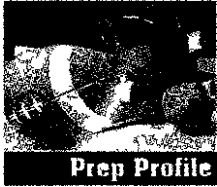
Lasting impact

Coppiellie has been a difference-maker for Rocks since the start

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

It's getting to the point in Teresa Coppiellie's high school athletic career when opposing volleyball and basketball coaches see her step onto the court before a game or match, let out a deep sigh, then wonder to themselves: *Isn't she ever going to graduate?*

Coppiellie — now a junior at Salem — has been a thorn



Prep Profile

when she cracked the Rocks' varsity basketball team's starting line-up as a freshman.

Three months later, she earned a starting spot on the

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem junior Teresa Coppiellie has already earned six varsity letters in volleyball and basketball.

— Canton 32, Plymouth 31 —

Bridges' 'D' powers Chiefs over Wildcats

BY ED WRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

PREP BASKETBALL

Canton's Andre Bridges may not have been Superman Friday night against Plymouth, but he definitely played like the Man of "Steal."

The senior guard struggled offensively, hitting just 1-of-11 shots, but he more than compensated for his shooting woes by picking up six steals to lead the Chiefs to a down-to-the-wire 32-31 victory over the Wildcats' court.

Plymouth senior forward Josh Le Duc had a chance to win the game at the buzzer, but his turnaround, 15-foot baseline jumper bounced off the back of the rim.

"We figured if anybody was going to step up and hit a shot, it would be Josh, so the play was designed to go to him," said Plymouth coach Tom Van Wagoner. "Ideally, we would have liked it to be three or four feet closer to the basket, but it was a pretty good look."

Bridges' most significant theft came with 1:17 left when he picked the ball clean from a Plymouth player on the left wing. He dribbled the length of the court, was fouled and drained two free throws with 1:10 remaining to give the Chiefs a 32-30 advantage.

Plymouth sophomore point guard Brandon Roberts made 1-of-2 free throws with 56.4 seconds to go to make it 32-31.

"Coach Payne always tells us that even if we're struggling offensively, we can still contribute on the defensive end, and that's what I tried to do," said Bridges. "This is a big win for us

because we see these guys every day at school and we all have friends that play for Plymouth."

The win improved Canton's record to 11-4 overall and 7-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association. Plymouth, which slipped to 5-10 and 3-6, needs a victory Tuesday night at home against Salem to qualify for the WLA's post-season tournament.

Van Wagoner said the low score didn't surprise him.

"The way we've been playing defense, I didn't expect Canton to score like they have been," he said. "If we could have scored our usual 40, we would have won going away. We were getting good shots, we just weren't knocking them down. We got to the line a lot, but we couldn't knock them down either."

Canton senior forward Andy Larsen enjoyed another strong offensive game off the bench as he poured in a game-high 12 points and yanked down six rebounds. Bridges finished with eight points and six boards, while junior center Ryan Waidmann chipped in with four points and six rebounds.

Senior guard D.J. Coleman led the Wildcats with nine points. Le Duc had seven points and 13 rebounds, and junior forward Austin Barnett racked up four points and seven boards.

Plymouth struggled from the free-throw line, finding the net on just 6-of-17 attempts. Canton hit 8-of-13 shots from the stripe.

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Sidelines

Youth wrestling

Seven members of the Canton Wrestling Club turned in gold-medal performances at the Van Dyke Wrestling Tournament on Sunday, Feb. 5. Placing first for the Chiefs were Ben Griffin, Connor Johnson, John Leclerc, Sean Lee, Dan Poupore, Braden Price and Donnie Watkins. Brad Trublowksi, Anthony Abro and Luke Denzer placed second in their respective divisions while Westen Price and Waleed Faraj took third. Miranda Peterson was the lone Canton wrestler to place fourth.

YMCA classes

The Plymouth Family YMCA is currently accepting registrations for its Winter II youth sports classes. Among the classes offered are:

■ **Y-Hoops**, an instructional basketball program for 4- and 5-year-olds. The class, which will be held Tuesdays at 6 p.m. from March 7-April 11, will focus on teaching kids the joy of basketball and the sport's fundamentals.

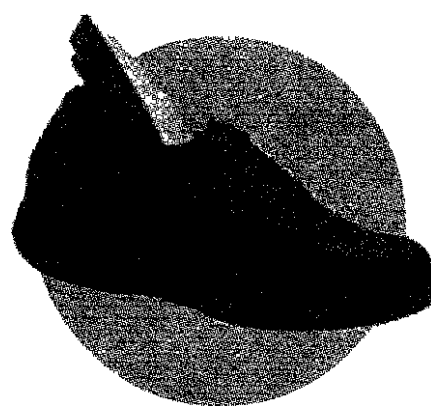
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Churchill icers roll over Salem, 8-2

In a WLA-Lakes Division game Wednesday night at Edgar Arena, Livonia Churchill (11-4-4, 4-2-1) rolled to an 8-2 victory over the visiting Salem (3-16) as Dave Graciak, Garrett Mienier and Nathan Milam tallied two goals apiece.

Zac Archer and Phil Wendecker each chipped in with a goal and assist.

Milam and D.J. Konfrst had two assists each for the Chargers, who led 3-0 after one period and 5-2 after two periods.

Salem's Steve Heilser and Roman Kahler each scored power-play goals in the second period.

Churchill goaltender Alex Campbell made 10 saves, while Salem's Bob Smith faced 31 shots.

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FROM PAGE B1

Salem volleyball squad. She's one of those rare athletes that come around about as often as winning lottery tickets.

But, according to her coaches, she's much more valuable than any ticket.

"If I remember correctly, in Teresa's first game her freshman season, she had 14 or 16 points against West Bloomfield," said Salem basketball coach Fred Thomann.

"She was a very, very good defender right from the start, and a good rebounder too."

"Now, she does a number of things well. She has outstanding leadership qualities and she's worked hard to become a scorer for us."

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man setter Jansan Falcuson to give the team a powerful bump-set-YIKES! offensive attack that few teams have been able to consistently defend.

Teresa has been a huge factor in our success this season," said Salem volleyball coach Amanda Suder. "Her leadership is outstanding, she's very athletic and she's one of the most coachable players on the team. When I ask her to try something, she does it, no questions asked."

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The Wildcats led 7-6 after one quarter before reeling off a 7-0 run over the final 50 seconds of the half to extend their lead to 20-12. Senior guard Brent Jones capped the half by sinking a 22-foot triple with 0:01 showing on the clock.

"I thought we played kind of scared and tentatively in the first half, and I told the kids that at halftime," said Canton coach Charbe Paye. "Plymouth came out and played confidently and they took it to us. But we turned it around in the second half and did a lot better job of getting the ball inside to Ryan and Andy."

Plymouth opened the second half with a reverse layup from Le Duc to grab a 22-12 lead, however, Canton closed the third quarter with an 11-3 run to cut its deficit to 25-23. Le Duc accounted for Plymouth's only two third-quarter field goals.

Canton's first second-half lead came with 4:35 remaining when Larsen scored inside following a slick pass from Bridges to put the Chiefs ahead, 28-27. Thirty-five seconds later Larsen converted a reverse layup to make it 30-27. Coleman tied it at 30-30 with a free throw at the 3:18 mark and a soft jumper from the lane with 1:52 left.

The game was played before one of the largest, most enthusiastic crowds to ever watch a basketball game at Plymouth High School.

"I thought the atmosphere was outstanding," said Paye. "It was a fun night of high school basketball."

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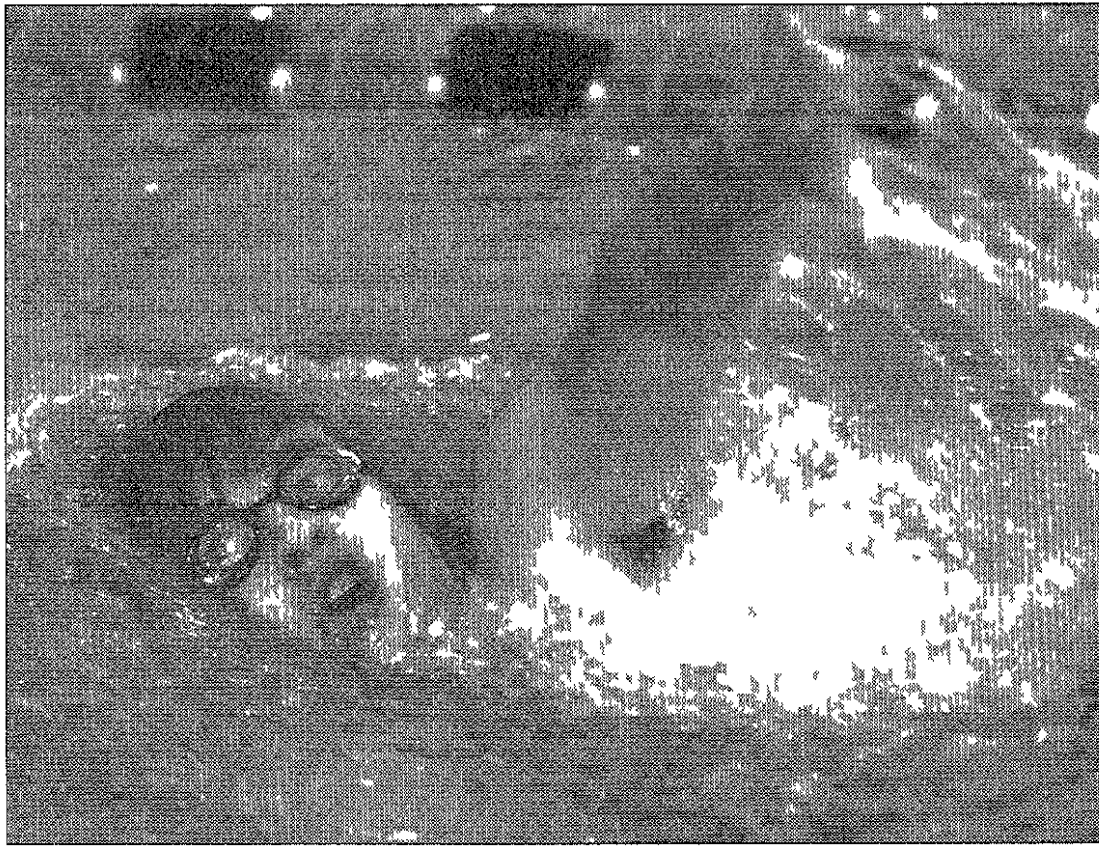
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During Thursday's meet against Wayne Memorial, Plymouth's Casey Molloy finished second in the 500 freestyle with a time of 5:42.82.

Whalers' goalies blank London

Although the Plymouth Whalers' 3-0 victory Friday night in London was a team effort, the Whalers Chicago Connection came up big in a physical, playoff style game before a sellout crowd of 9,090 at the John Labatt Centre in London.

With the win, Plymouth (26-23-1-3) moved back into first place in the Ontario Hockey League's West Division, one point ahead of Saginaw (27-24-1-0), which lost, 4-1, in Ottawa Friday night.

Plymouth is now two points ahead of Windsor (24-23-3-3) which won, 4-1, in Sarnia Friday night.

London — the top team in the OHL's West Conference and second overall in the OHL with 75 points — suffered its second-straight defeat at home.

The Knights lost Thursday night, 2-1, to Kitchener in over-

time. Plymouth got goals from Chicago native Mike Letizia in the first period and second-period goals from Gino Pisellini and Jared Boll. Plymouth goaltenders Justin Peters and Justin Garay set a franchise record as they became the first ever tandem to combine efforts in a single game for a shutout. Peters stopped 31 shots in 45 minutes of work and Garay finished up with two saves the rest of the way.

Plymouth penalty killers shut down London's league-leading power play (28.9 percent) by going 11 for 11 on the penalty kill — including four separate London two-man advantages.

On Thursday, the Whalers dropped a 2-0 decision at Windsor before a crowd of 3,077 at the Windsor Arena. Spitfires' goaltender Anthony

Guadagnolo was the difference, stopping 28 Plymouth shots for his fifth shutout of the season. Guadagnolo's shutout tied him with Kitchener's Dan Turple for the league lead.

Guadagnolo was the game's first star much like he was on Jan. 21 when he let the Spits to a 2-1 win over the Whalers at the Compuware Sports Arena. Plymouth goalie Justin Peters earned second-star honors after he stopped 35-of-37 shots.

Keaton Turkewicz's ninth goal of the season at 13:35 of the first period proved to be the game-winning goal for Windsor. Peter Aston's power play goal and 11th of the season came at 8:30 of the third period.

Plymouth's best chances to score came in the second period when the Whalers outshot Windsor, 12-6, and hit a couple of goal posts.

SWIMMING RESULTS

PLYMOUTH 97
WAYNE MEMORIAL 87
Thursday at Canton H.S.
200 yard medley relay 1 Wayne (Machovec, Hermatz, Mosier, Erdmann) 1:51.96 2 Plymouth (Andrew, Justus, Dan, Stoscup, Sorin, Oprican, Ben, Ambrose) 2:01.04 3 Plymouth (Peter, Nolan, Frank, Su, Tony, McLaughlin, Paul, Snyder) 2:04.15
200 freestyle 1 Porta (WM) 2:02.14 2 Casey Molloy (P) 2:03.84 3 Holland (WM) 2:07.61
200 individual medley 1 Andy Knisely (P) 2:11.50 2 Mosier (WM) 2:21.63 3 Hermatz (WM) 2:25.04
50 freestyle 1 Erdmann (WM) 23.93 2 Michael Conger (P) 24.57 3 Peter Nolan (P) 26.41
Diving 1 Machovec (WM) 215.10 2 Justin Magill (P) 178.90 3 Beyer (WM) 140.05
100 butterfly 1 Porta (WM) 1:04.41 2 Sorin Oprican (P) 1:04.66 3 Ben Ambrose (P) 1:07.08
100 freestyle 1 Andy Knisely (P) 52.73 2 Erdmann (WM) 53.31 3 Holland (WM) 56.42
500 freestyle 1 Mosier (WM) 5:30.78 2 Casey Molloy (P) 5:42.82 3 Justin Scaparo (P) 5:54.52
200 freestyle relay 1 Plymouth (Michael

Conger, Ben, Ambrose, Joseph, Eudy, Andy, Knisely) 1:40.79 2 Wayne (Porta, Holland, Beyer, Mosier) 1:40.80 3 Plymouth (Jack, Distel, Peter, Nolan, Frank, Su, Casey, Molloy) 1:46.08
100 backstroke 1 Machovec (WM) 1:01.32 2 Michael Conger (P) 1:01.50 3 Andrew Justus (P) 1:11.37
100 breaststroke 1 Hermatz (WM) 1:10.21 2 Frank Su (P) 1:15.06 3 Dan Stoscup (P) 1:15.41
400 freestyle relay 1 Wayne (Porta, Holland, Machovec, Erdmann) 3:41.34 2 Plymouth (Andy, Knisely, Michael, Conger, Casey, Molloy, Joseph, Eudy) 3:47.99 3 Plymouth (Jack, Distel, Paul, Snyder, Ben, Ambrose, Tony, McLaughlin) 3:59.04

NORTHVILLE 121
CANTON 62
Thursday at Northville
200 yard medley relay 1 Northville (Brad, Farris, Weston, Laabs, Will, Blicke, Brody, Blicke) 1:40.62 2 Canton (Nathan, Phillips, Matt, Carlson, Shogo, Uno, Chris, Marinica) 1:48.62 3 Northville (John, Bardsley, Greg, Sheppard, Joe, Kargula, Jack, Temple) 1:50.16
200 freestyle 1 Chris Keady (N) 1:43.32 2 Derek Schmitt (C) 1:50.21 3 Nick Landis (C) 1:53.56
200 individual medley 1 Brad Farris (N)

2:01.23 2 Matt Carlson (C) 2:04.97 3 John Bardsley (N) 2:09.70
50 freestyle 1 Brody Blicke (N) 22.70 2 Will Blicke (N) 23.50 3 Shogo Uno (C) 23.50
100 butterfly 1 Brad Farris (N) 52.91 2 Shogo Uno (C) 57.09 3 Joe Kargula (N) 59.14
100 freestyle 1 Chris Culkin (N) 50.13 2 Derek Schmitt (C) 51.46 3 Jon Templeton (C) 52.56
500 freestyle 1 Nick Landis (C) 5:01.91 2 Greg Sheppard (N) 5:02.51 3 John Bardsley (N) 5:05.09
200 freestyle relay 1 Northville (Jack, Temple, Weston, Laabs, Brody, Blicke, Chris, Keady) 1:32.64 2 Canton (Derek, Schmitt, Jon, Templeton, Chris, Marinica, Nick, Landis) 1:37.75 3 Northville (Paul, Young, Colin, Smith, Kyle, Adams, Mark, Stuber) 1:40.66
100 backstroke 1 Will Blicke (N) 57.07 2 Chris Culkin (N) 59.36 3 Robert Blaesser (C) 1:00.97
100 breaststroke 1 Weston Laabs (N) 1:02.86 2 Chris Keady (N) 1:03.75 3 Brody Blicke (N) 1:05.60
400 freestyle relay 1 Northville (Brad, Farris, Will, Blicke, Chris, Culkin, Chris, Keady) 3:17.05 2 Canton (Shogo, Uno, Jon, Templeton, Matt, Carlson, Derek, Schmitt) 3:23.76

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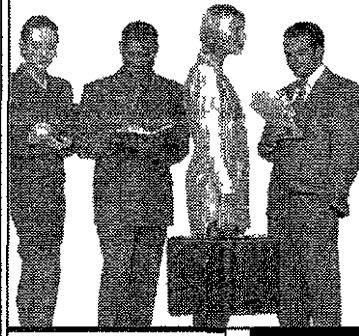
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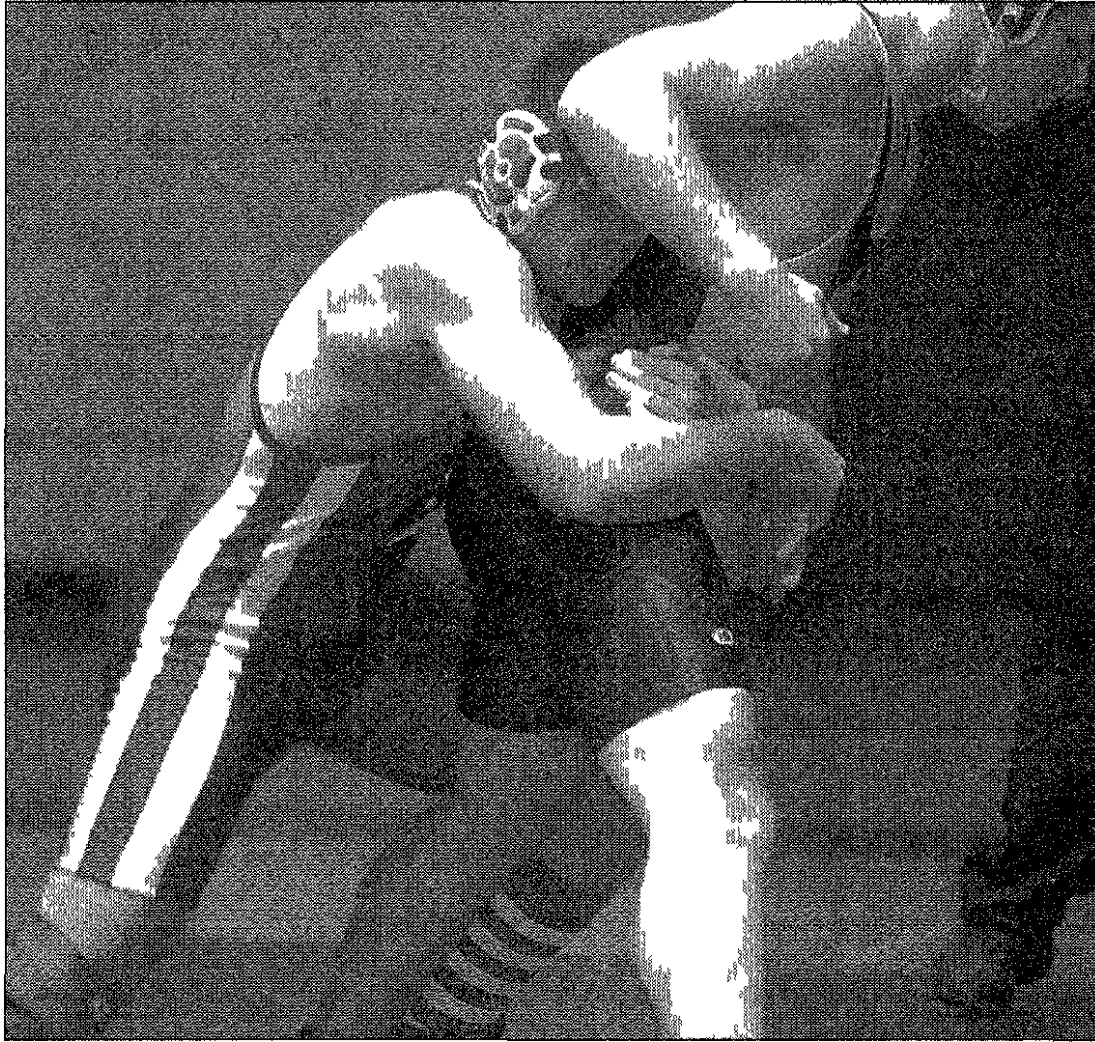
The Canton wrestling teams hour-plus trek to Walled Lake Northern proved to be worthwhile thanks to the Chiefs' 42-24 victory in a Western Lakes Activities Association second-place cross-over match. Canton finished 5-1 in the Western Division, which was good enough for second behind unbeaten Livonia Franklin.

"The kids are excited about the win," said Canton coach Casey Randolph. "We were without three of our starters, so I think a lot of people thought it would be a closer match, but we beat them pretty good."

The Knights led 15-12 after six matches, but the Chiefs responded by winning three straight to put a stranglehold on the win.

Randolph said the best match of the night was the 171-pound battle between Canton's Kiel Price and Northern's wrestler, who was a state qualifier in 2005. Price lost, pinned with 26 seconds left, but he won the praise of his coach.

Kiel wrestled his tail off," Randolph said. "Kiel was leading, 5-3, when he got pinned. He was disappointed, but he wrestled great."



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem 189 pound wrestler Jeremy Henderson (left) pictured above in a meet earlier this season, recorded a pin in the Rocks' 53-23 victory over Wayne Memorial Thursday night.

SALEM TRIUMPHS

The Rocks improved to 2-4 in the WLAA's Lakes Division thanks to a convincing victory over Wayne Memorial.

Five Salem wrestlers recorded pins. Josh Santilli (119 pounds), Jerald Bankowski (130), Jake Bennett (145), Jeremy Epley (152) and Jeremy Henderson (189).

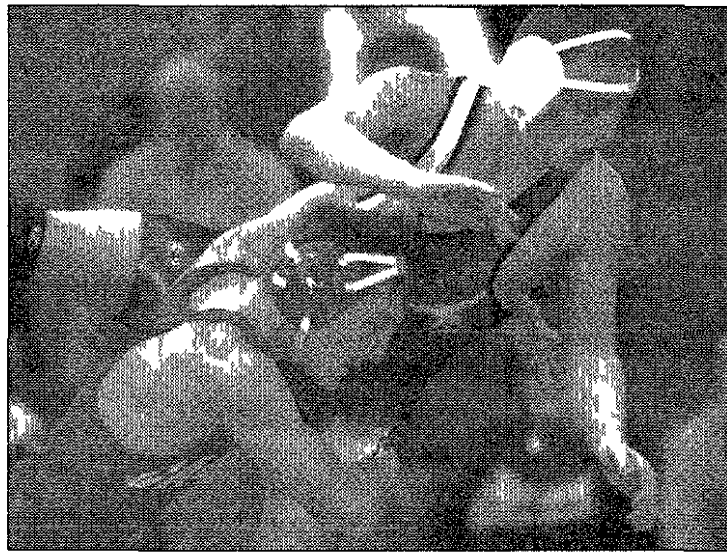
CANTON 42 W L NORTHERN 24 Thursday at Northern

HAY Donnie Laramie (C) pinned Bralean in 26 seconds. 103 pounds Carl Lucke (C) p Sutton in 1:07. 112 West (WLN) decisioned Ryan Schneitter 4:3. 119 Roseler (WLN) pinned Adam Fleischmann in 1:10. 125 Giesey (WLN) dec Sam Santilli 5:1. 130 Pichla (WLN) dec Steve Cox 13:10. 135 Corey Phillips (C) p Faett in 3:20. 140 Joe Wilson (C) won overtime dec over Koenig 16:14. 145 Konrad Konsitzke (C) won by technical fall over Fenwick 16

0 152 Waldie (WLN) dec Joe Sanders 1:0. 160 Marwan Faraj (C) won by decision 171 Dropewski (WLN) p Kiel Price in 5:34. 189 Alex Amberg (C) pinned Ruggles in 2:23. 215 Tom Bonnell (C) pinned Sizemore in 4:46.
Dual-meet records: Canton 24-4 overall and 5-1 in WLAA Western Division. W L Northern 4-2 in WLAA Western Division.

SALEM 53 WAYNE MEMORIAL 23 Thursday at Salem

103 pounds Chad Dunn (WM) won by technical fall over Kevin Bennett. 112 Jamie Preiss (WM) decisioned Alex Kemp 2:1. 119 Josh Santilli (S) pinned R J Quinn 0:18. 125 Cory Mervyn (S) won by void. 130 Jerald Bankowski (S) p Anthony Adams 1:40. 135 Johannes O'Neil (S) won by void. 140 Jake McFaddin (WM) dec Justin Kanes 7:5. 145 Jake Bennett (S) p Robert Walsh 4:17. 152 Jeremy Epley (S) p Charlie Malnar 1:45. 160 Jeff Elswick (WM) p Sam Lapper 0:45. 171 Stedman Frye (WM) p Phil Creed 0:18. 189 Jeremy Henderson (S) p Derrick Ingraham 0:47. 215 Alex Smith (S) won by void. 275 Hussein Ajami (S) won by void.
Dual-meet records: Salem 2-4 WLAA Wayne 1-21 overall. 0-6 WLAA



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's 135 pound Corey Phillips pictured above in action earlier this season, notched a pin in the Chiefs' 42-24 victory over Walled Lake Northern Thursday night.

Simply ama-Zinn

Sophomore's 33 points pace PCA win

PREP BASKETBALL

defense was good.

"But in the third quarter, it was Katy bar the door. They did a nice job of defending us, getting in our face, and they played well at both ends."

The loss dropped Salem to 3-12 overall and 3-6 in the WLAA.

Salem travels to Plymouth on Tuesday for a game set to tip-off at 7 p.m. With a victory against the Wildcats and win over struggling Wayne Memorial on Friday would ensure the Rocks' a berth in the WLAA post-season tournament, which will commence the following week.

AGAPE 46, HURON VALLEY 35: On Friday, Derek Leathers scored 17 points and hauled in 17 rebounds, and Jack Anleitner added 16 points, 10 boards and six assists, as host Canton Agape Christian (9-4, 5-3) downed Westland Huron Valley Lutheran (3-11, 2-6) in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference-Red Division game.

Tyler Majeski also played well for the winners, netting eight points.

"The difference was when we switched from a zone defense to a man-to-man in the second half," said Agape coach Keith Anleitner. "Their shooting percentage dropped after that."

Richard Zabrzanski and Kurt Metzger each scored eight for the Hawks, who trailed 24-16 at halftime and 38-38 after three quarters. Agape made 10-of-14 free throws, while Huron Valley was 5-of-9.

BELLEVILLE 81, WILLOW RUN 47:

On Friday, the state-ranked Tigers improved to 12-3 overall and 7-0 in the Mega Red with a convincing home victory over the Flyers. The hosts led 17-9 after one quarter, 38-17 at the half and 62-31 with eight minutes to play. All-State candidate Leon Freeman led Belleville with 30 points and 16 rebounds.

Also shining for the winners were Darius Hardrick (13 points), Mike Donaldson (11), Brian Zantop (seven), Jarrett Stovall (seven), Randle Green (seven) and Marus Williams (seven assists).

Sophomore guard Trevor Zinn torched the nets for 33 points Friday night to lead Plymouth Christian Academy to a 62-50 victory over host Oakland Christian. Twenty of Zinn's points came in the second half.

"Trevor came up big when we needed him to," said PCA coach Doug Taylor. "It was a close game going into the fourth quarter, but he helped us pull away. Trevor took over the last three minutes."

Also playing well for the Eagles (8-7 overall and 2-4 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference) were Matt Saagman (11 points and seven assists) and Ryan Barber (four points and 10 boards).

Brent Kulik led OC with 21 points, 12 coming on four three-point shots.

"In the fourth quarter we played a box-and-one and put Ben Welton on Kulik," said Taylor. "Ben did a great job defending him."

After pulling out to a 21-14 first-quarter lead, the Eagles trailed 26-25 at the half after scoring just four second-quarter points. The game was deadlocked at 39-39 heading into the final eight minutes of action.

The Lancers dropped to 1-12 and 0-6.

PCA hit 15-of-23 free throws. OC was 6-of-16 from the line.

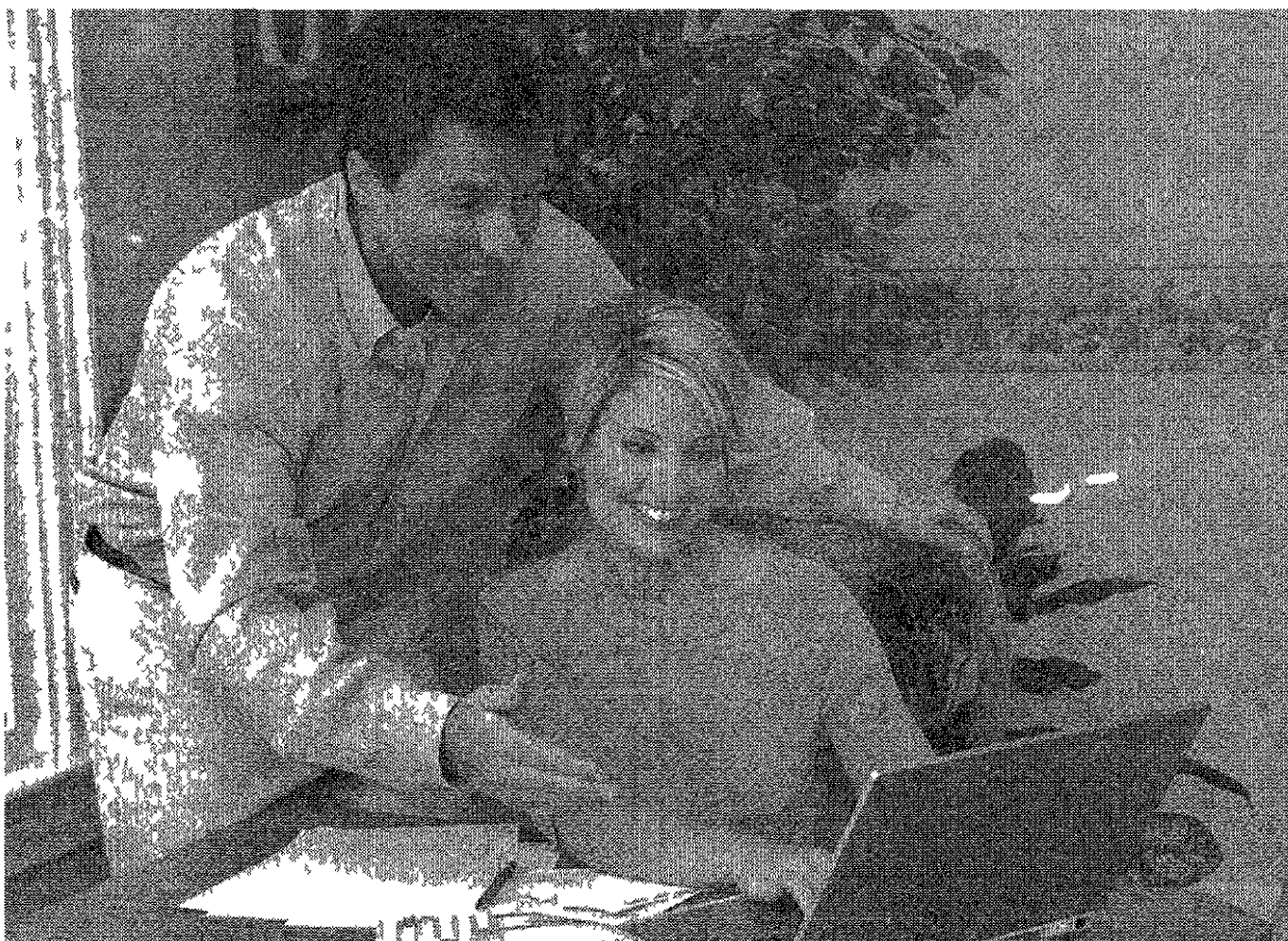
"I was proud of the boys for the way they came out aggressively," said Taylor. "We took it to them. Our press forced quite a few turnovers."

NORTHVILLE 48, SALEM 32: The Mustangs' magical season — they are now 15-0 overall and 9-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association — continued Friday night when they outscored the host Rocks, 25-13, in the second half.

Jerah Dixon paced Salem with nine points. Alvin Storrs (15) and Chris Lorente (12) led the Mustangs.

"We were all right in the first half and only trailed by four (23-19)," said Salem coach Bob Brodie. "We were deliberate with the ball in the first half. We didn't stall, but we took our time. We held them to one field goal in the second half, so our

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Future Eagle

On Feb 1 Plymouth senior Josh Le Duc signed a national letter of intent to play football for Eastern Michigan University. The 6-foot-4, 210-pound Le Duc played tight end for the Wildcats last fall. Also pictured are Plymouth football coach Jay Blaylock (seated to Le Duc's right), Le Duc's mom, Carol (standing), and Plymouth assistant football coach Mike Sawchuk.



'Great White' success

The Plymouth Great White Shark hockey team recently captured the Little Caesar's Mini-Mite regular-season division title. The team won six of its final seven games to finish with a 15-2-3 record. The team consists of Colton Borke, Shane Bryans, Phillip Collingwood, Nicholas Corker, Joe Fontana, Michael Gaffka, Carson Grainer, Jared Lee, Paul Maurer, Jason Passucci, Jacob Rebecca, Emerson Taylor, and Michael Wisner. Tom Bryans served as head coach. He was assisted by Steve Borke, Nick Passucci, Vince Grainer, Garrick Lee, Kip Maurer, Bob Wisner, and Lynwood Taylor.

Northville edges Canton

Canton's volleyball team gave powerful Northville all it could handle Wednesday night before falling in four games, 25-9, 25-19, 20-25 and 25-21.

The girls played a lot better than they did Monday night (a three-game loss to Westland John Glenn), said Canton coach Kristi Drinkhahn. "They started a little slow the first game, but they warmed up and played much better after that. Offensively, the girls stepped up their game 100 percent. Our passing was great."

Drinkhahn praised the play of five players who excelled against the Mustangs: freshman Gina Waite (five digs and four serve receptions), sophomore Hannah Mills (four digs and seven serve receptions), senior Rachael Beaudoin (six serve receptions and one kill), senior Kelsey Bailey (eight kills) and junior Joellen Heldt (five kills and four digs).

PLYMOUTH 3, WAYNE MEMORIAL 0 The Wildcats improved to 28-7 overall, 5-2 in the Western Lakes Activities Association and 3-0 in the WLA's Western Division with their 25-18, 25-6 and 25-15 victory over the Zebras.

The Wildcats were paced by Lindsay Vogelsburg (15-for-15 on serves, seven aces and 10 digs), Sarah Haskins (25 assists), Claire Baptist (15 digs), Brandi Swyhart (17 digs) and Janet Hanchett (11 kills).

PCA 3, INTER-CITY 2 On Thursday, the Eagles (15-12 overall) won a thrilling five-game match over Chargers 19-25, 25-15, 25-13, 26-28 and 16-14. The victory left both teams at 6-3 and in a second-place tie in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Blue Division. Oakland Christian leads the division with a 9-0 mark.

It was an exciting match, point for point, said PCA coach Missy Henry. "Neither team had a big lead the entire night."

Henry said Kelsie Tietjen and Julie Bahbah both came through with clutch plays in the fifth and deciding game. Tietjen finished with 21 kills, 21 digs and 16 service points while Bahbah chalked up 30 digs, 13 kills and 11 points.

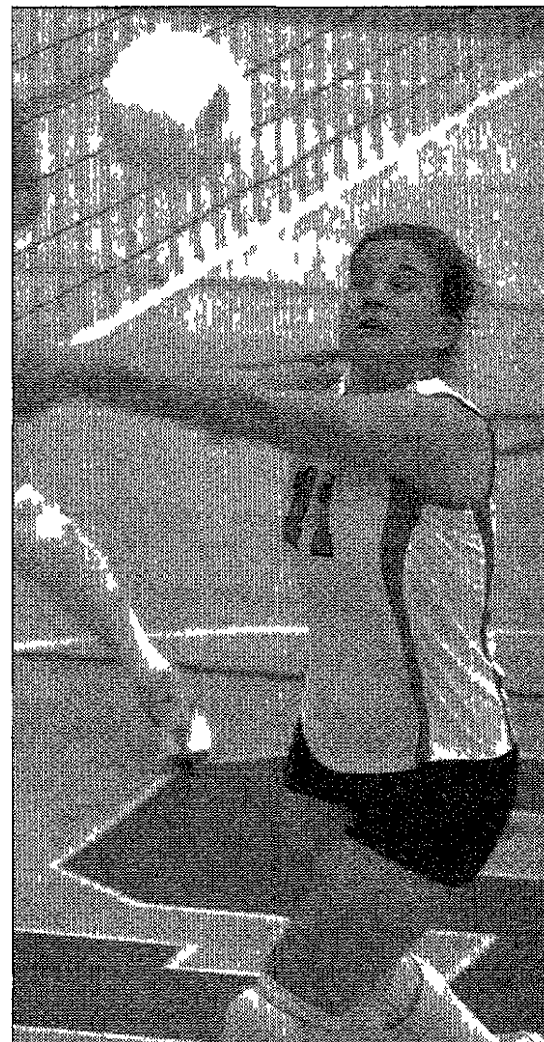
Freshman Mimi Monroe also turned in a stellar performance as the team's libero, notching 31 digs. Mimi did a great job tonight, Henry asserted.

OAKLAND CHRISTIAN 3, PCA 0 On Tuesday, the Eagles suffered a three-set loss to the unbeaten Lancers 25-21, 26-24 and 25-21.

It was a hard-fought match, said Henry. "We were really pretty evenly matched."

Standouts for PCA included Tietjen (18 kills, 20 digs, two blocks and seven points) and Bre Ruark (20 digs, 11 assists, four kills and six points).

SALEM 3, LIVONIA FRANKLIN 0 In a WLA match Wednesday, first-place Salem downed host Livonia Franklin in three games, 25-20, 25-16, 25-19. Salem is 31-5-1 overall and 8-0 in the Western Lakes, while the Patriots fall to 10-16-5 and 2-6.



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Canton's Kelsey Bailey, pictured above in a match earlier this season, contributed eight kills in the Chiefs' four-game loss to Northville Wednesday night.

Liz Dempsey, a junior, had seven of her team-high 16 kills in the second game. She also had 24 digs along with teammate Jaleece Lavine, who also had 24 digs.

Laura Marshall contributed eight kills (41.2 percent) with three ace serves in the first game as the Patriots got off to a 7-1 lead.

With starting senior setter Rachael Riesen out of the lineup, Franklin coach Danielle Wensing switched from a 6-2 offense to a 5-1. Cassie LaPraine moved into the Libero spot and sophomore Kelly Powers stepped in as setter and finished with 25 assists.

"I was very impressed with the way Powers handled the pressure and ran the court smoothly with her offense," Wensing said.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Canton at Walled Lake Unified 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 18

Canton at TC Central 11 a.m.

ICE HOCKEY

Tuesday, Feb 14

W.L. Central at Salem 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb 17

Canton at Livonia Franklin at Eddie Edger Arena 6 p.m.

PCS Penguins at A.A. Pioneer 4 p.m.

Livonia Stevenson at Salem at Plymouth Cultural Center 8:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 18

Salem at Plymouth

at Compuware Sports Arena 6:40 p.m.

Canton at Saline

at Arctic Coliseum 7 p.m.

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Monday, Feb 13

Northville at Plymouth 7 p.m.

Bham Roper at PCA 7 p.m.

Canton at W.L. Northern 7 p.m.

Wayne Memorial at Salem 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb 15

Plymouth at Canton 7 p.m.

Salem at Northville 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 18

PCA at U.M. Dearborn Tourney 9 a.m.

Canton at Ladywood Invite 9 a.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wednesday, Feb 15

Madonna at Cornerstone 7:30 p.m.

Kirtland CC at Schoolcraft 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 18

Siena Heights at Madonna 3 p.m.

Macomb CC at Schoolcraft 3 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wednesday, Feb 15

Kirtland CC at Schoolcraft 5:30 p.m.

Cornerstone at Madonna 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 18

Madonna at Siena Heights 1 p.m.

Macomb CC at Schoolcraft 1 p.m.

ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE

Friday, Feb 17

Whalers at Oshawa Generals 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb 18

Whalers vs. Guelph Storm

at Compuware Arena 7:30 p.m.

TBA - time to be announced

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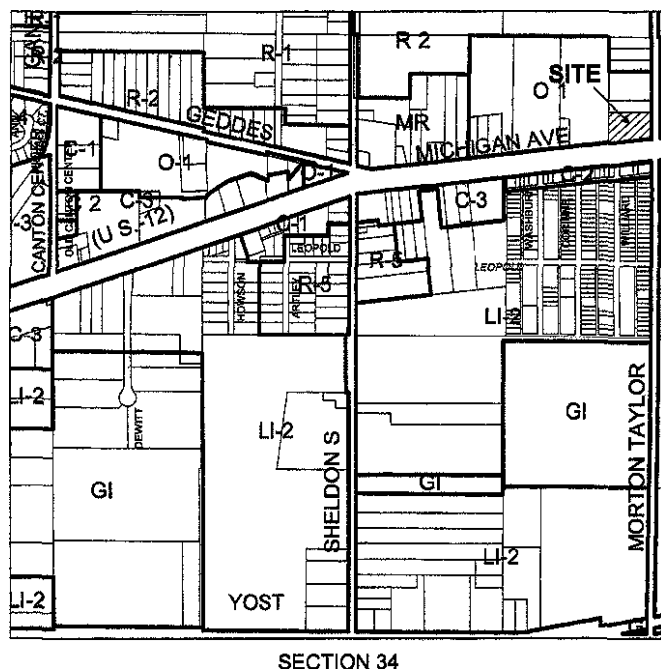


PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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, March 6, 2006 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:

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SECTION 34

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VIC GUSTAFSON, Chairman

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Bid Division descriptions include:

117 Acoustical Treatments

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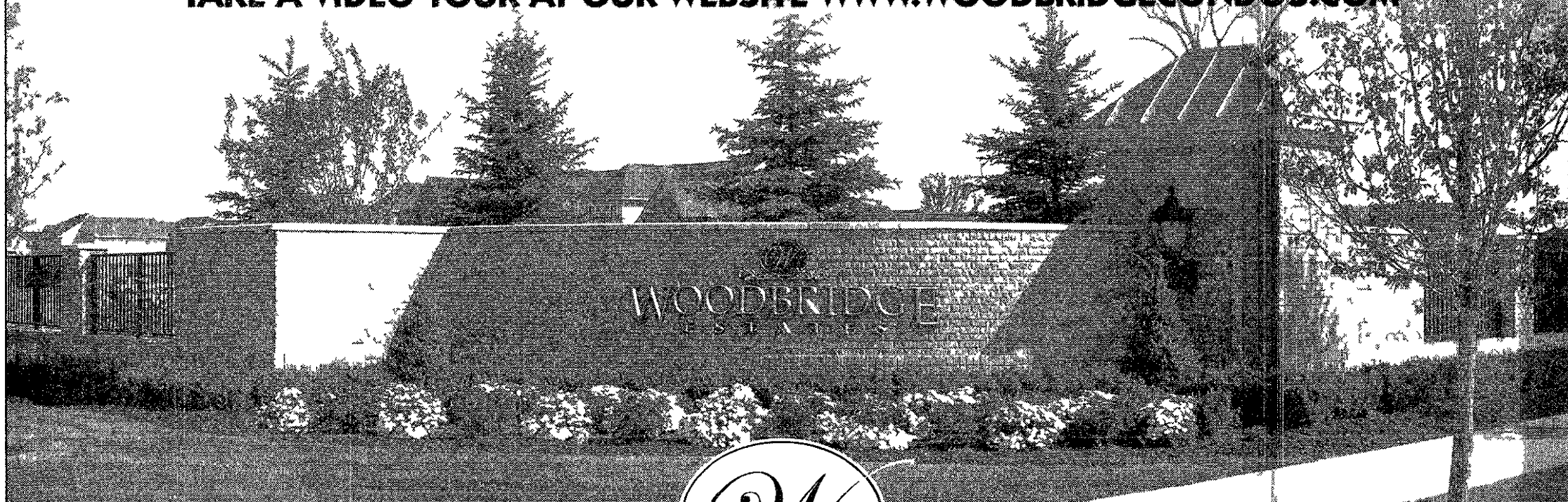
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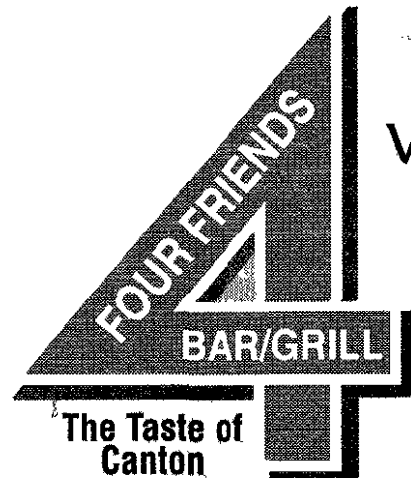
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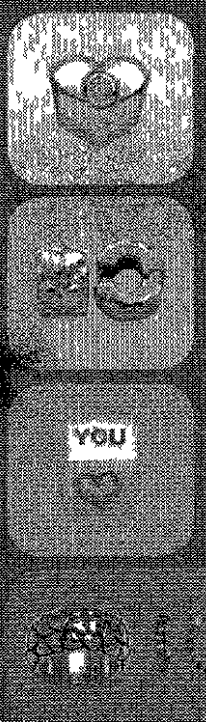
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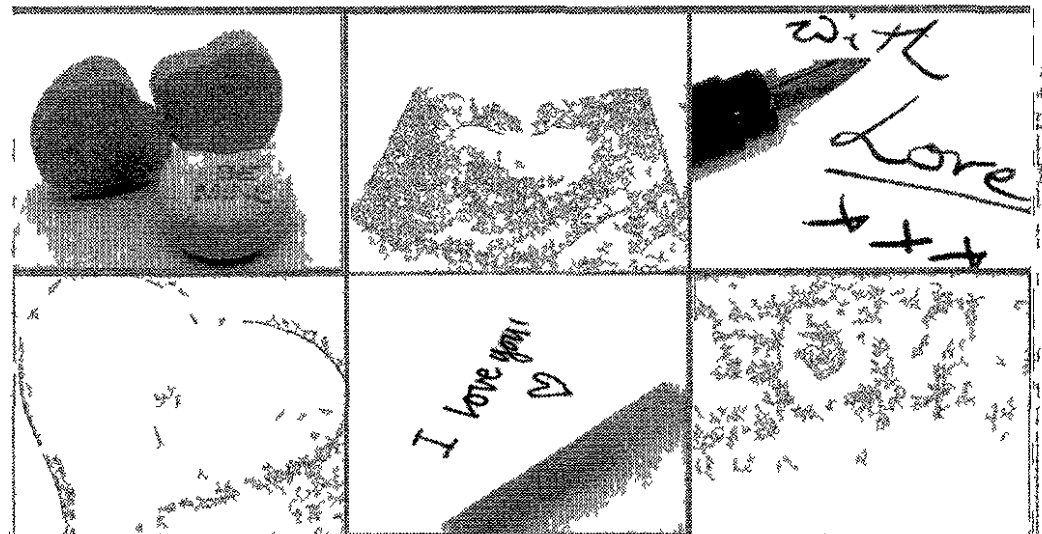
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Brad Kadrich

A little faith couldn't hurt

For most of Super Bowl week, I felt if I heard the words 'Super Bowl' one more time, I was going to scream

You couldn't escape it — on radio, on television, in every newspaper including ours, in every conversation That's understandable, since it's the biggest sporting event in the world, coming to our town, one of only a dozen cities to ever have the privilege

I just didn't care that much about the game, to be perfectly honest Neither the Pittsburgh Steelers nor the Seattle Seahawks floated my competitive boat The Jerome Bettis story was nice, but I wasn't getting to write it and, quite frankly, it got a little old by week's end

So when people would ask, "Are you going downtown for any of the festivities?" my answer was, "Not a chance" First of all, I get lost when I try to drive down there My sense of direction is perpetually broken to begin with, and when you throw in one-way streets I'm even more lost Secondly, I hate crowds I get claustrophobic in large throngs of people, pushing and shoving

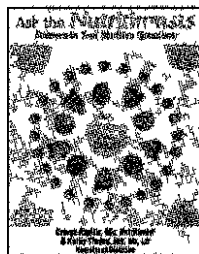
I'd read about the Winter Blast and the NFL Experience, and from all accounts Roger Penske and his crew did a great job scrubbing a fresh face onto downtown Detroit

Like many, I wonder how much of that fresh face is actually clean-start, renewed city and how much is cover-it-up, slap some makeup on it effort Time will tell Still, I wasn't all that interested in getting involved

Then I had conversations with some of the parents at one of my son's wrestling meets One dad told me how easy it was to catch a shuttle

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Wheeling around

Unicyclists ride for the challenge

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

Unicycles are like potato chips Marcus Sternberg can't have just one The 34-year-old Farmington Hills resident has collected 10 in 14 years of riding

Sternberg has a big wheel for riding distances, another for playing basketball His enthusiasm is characteristic of members of the Redford Township Unicycle Club On a cold Monday in January, men, women and children have turned out to practice at The Salvation Army in Dearborn Heights

"I played hockey with the Toronto Unicycle Club You improve your riding skills the more you play games It's an easy way to learn," said Sternberg, who rode his first unicycle at the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada Sternberg, who grew up near Vancouver, B C, moved to the U S eight years ago to work as an automotive engineer for DaimlerChrysler

ROLLING ALONG

Through March, he and members of the club are teaching the art of riding on one wheel to students at Faith Lutheran Church in Livonia There are 10 different levels of proficiency a rider must pass before becoming a certified teacher, but most only want to learn to ride without assistance

One hour is all a student can do in class because their muscles really hurt and that decreases their motivation to learn," said Sternberg "There are two people on each side of a new rider By three weeks they're down to one person and usually buy their own unicycles Until then they use ours"

Wendy Grzych, 37, was 9 when she rode her first unicycle In addition to serving as club president, the Garden City resident leads classes She's proud of the club, which has about 40 to 50 active riders Both of her children, Amanda, 11, and Dale, 9, ride with the club, which participates in parades, competitions and demonstrations

"The club was national parade champions for 2004 and 2005," said Grzych, a

substitute teacher in the Crestwood Schools "It's really a great group with great family activities, a group of wholesome people who are always looking for something to do with the family"

Dwight Gibson is still mastering the unicycle after taking his first class last year

"It takes a lot longer than kids," said Gibson, a 51-year old Westland resident and Northwest Airlines flight attendant "Older people are afraid of it because of one wheel"

Beverly Scott is learning to ride The 65-year-old retired banker is always looking for a new adventure A member of Tollgate cloggers in Novi, Scott also Rollerblades

"I enjoy people and exercise, said Scott "You have to have balance to ride a unicycle There's always someone to help you at the club"

At 14, Jory King of Westland had no problem mastering one wheel He's been doing 360s with his BMX bicycle for some time

"I'm a daredevil," said King, a student at Wayne Memorial High School

Rya Raub, a 14-year-old Garden City High School student, began riding almost a year ago "just for fun" after brother Peter, 12, joined

'AWESOME'

"My friends think it's awesome" said Rya Raub "It's something interesting to do I met my boyfriend here"

Katie Helton is one of the younger unicyclists at 7

"I've been doing it two years," said Helton of Dearborn Heights "My cousins do it When you unicycle it's fun because it feels like a bird"

David Holden of Redford frequently comes with wife Cathy and children Nathan, 15 and Kate, 13 "People come from far and wide," said Holden

So do the bikes Several brands dot the gym floor including Semicycle Teresa and husband Sem Abrahams assemble the unicycles in a building in Redford after importing parts from The Netherlands They sponsor the basketball team which

meets Wednesday nights at Johnson Elementary in Westland

About 15 members including Sternberg and the Abrahamses are competing in the world championship this July in Switzerland

"I saw the club perform at a Redford Ox Roast many years ago and bugged my parents to buy a unicycle and take me to the club so I could learn more," said Teresa

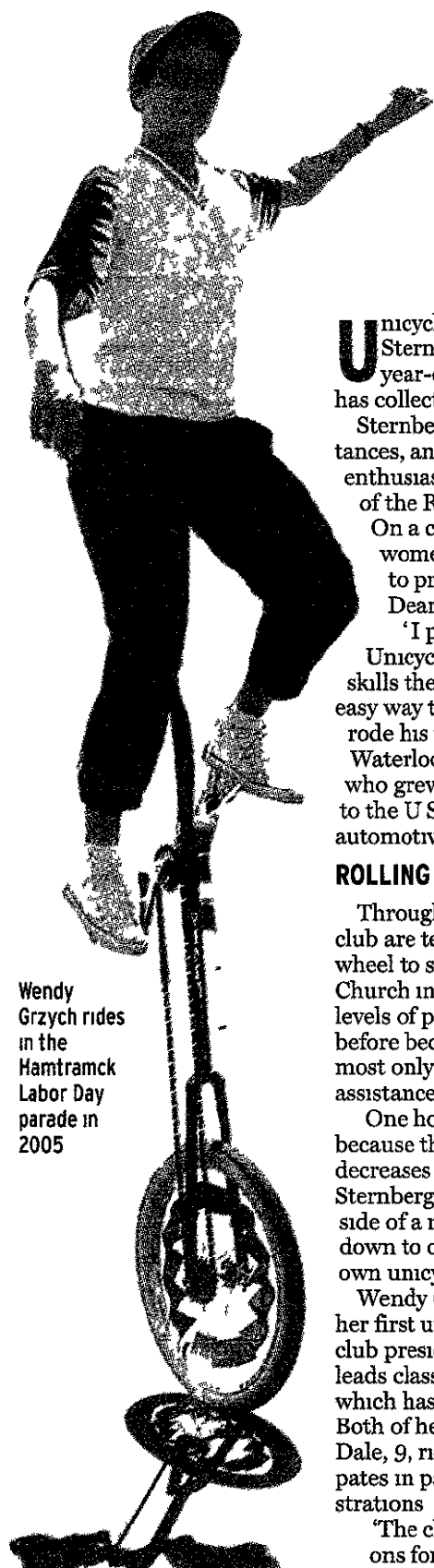
Abrahams, who began riding nearly 30 years ago and teaches circus arts for ages 6-16 in Livonia Schools community education program

Kathy Susanka's been riding since 1993 when daughter Lori received a unicycle for Christmas It costs \$5 to join the club but members must maintain membership in the

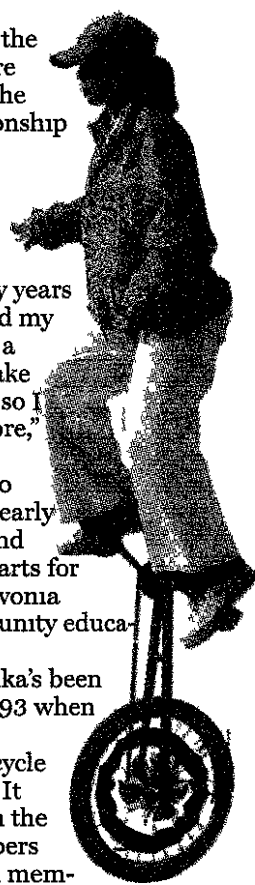
Unicycling Society of America which is \$15 for an individual, \$20 per family

"As a club member you have to make one practice a month and perform two times a year," said Susanka "The club receives a donation for performing"

Classes continue 9-10 a.m. Saturdays through March 25, at Faith Lutheran Church, 30000 Five Mile, Livonia For information, call Susanka at (313) 565-9843 or visit www.rtuc.org




Wendy Grzych rides in the Hamtramck Labor Day parade in 2005



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Grace Alexander shows off her unicycle skills during a demonstration for Family Day at Eastern Michigan University in October

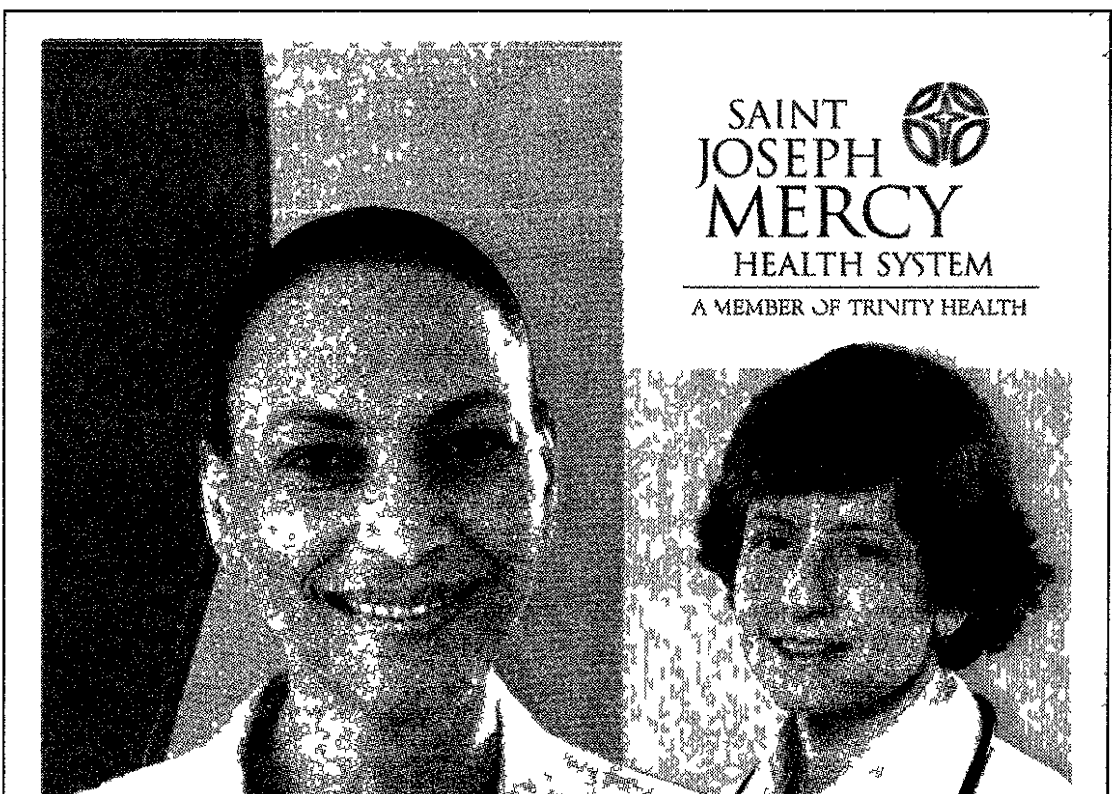


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Madonna University

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Olivet College

A total of 278 students have been named to the Olivet College 2005 fall semester Dean's List

student must be full-time and earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher

Heather Michalsen of Plymouth made the list by earning a 4.0 grade-point average for the semester

Spring Arbor

Three Plymouth students and one from Canton were among those who made the Dean's List at Spring Arbor University in Spring Arbor, Mich

The Dean's List recognizes full-time students who have received a grade-point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester. Part-time students must

receive a 3.5 for the semester and carry a cumulative GPA of 3.5

Local students on the list included senior Andrea LaBenne of Plymouth, an English major and the daughter of James and Sue LaBenne, senior Brian LaBenne of Plymouth, a clinical sociology major and the son of James and Sue LaBenne, freshman Emily McHenry of Plymouth, a psychology student and the daughter of James and Kimberly McHenry, and senior Hannah Riddell of Canton, a film studies major and the daughter of Mark and Cindy Riddell

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- 1 "The Hostage," WE B Griffin
- 2 "Mary, Mary," James Patterson
- 3 "Death Dance," Linda Lairstein
- 4 "Every Breath You Take," Judith McNaught
- 5 "S is for Silence," Sue Grafton

NON-FICTION

- 1 "For Laci: A Mother's Story," Sharon Rocha
- 2 "Marley and Me," John Grogan
- 3 "My Friend Leonard," James Frey
- 4 "The Year of Magical Thinking," Joan Didion
- 5 "Teacher Man," Frank McCourt

PARENTS' CHOICE

NEW CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS

- 1 "Pete the Sheep-sheep!" Jackie French
- 2 "Trust Me, Mom," Angela McAllister
- 3 "Piggy Pie!" Margie Palatini
- 4 "Double Pink," Kate Feiffer
- 5 "Look What the Cat Dragged In," Gary Hogg

Strong fathers needed to fight 'the boy crisis'

Do we need to be alerted to boys' failure in school and personally by Newsweek (January 30, 2006) running a 1-1/2 inch headline "The Boy Crisis" over the photos of pre-adolescent boys?

Yes! Educators, parents, and business and community leaders need to seriously listen to the thought-provoking work of leading scholars related to this issue

This is a column on the importance of fathers to young males. Yet, it must also concern mothers. This is such an important topic that this

column and the next will be devoted to The Boy Crisis. A recent release from Bradley Hospital in East Providence, RI, a premier medical institution devoted to research and treatment in psychiatric illness, and the book Father You Son: How to Become the Father You've Always Wanted to Be by Dr. Stephan Poulter are the inspiration for this column. Next week, we will discuss the importance of a boy's emotional life.

To summarize the six-page, illustrated Newsweek article the author states: One of the most reliable predictors of whether a boy will succeed or fail in high school rests on a single question: does he have a man in his life to look up to? Too often, the answer is no. High rates of divorce and single motherhood have created a generation of fatherless boys. In every kind of neighborhood, rich or poor, an increasing number of boys - now a startling 40 percent - are being raised without their biological dads.

The article continues: "Psychologists say that grandfathers and uncles can help, but emphasize that an adolescent boy without a father figure is like an explorer without a map. And that is especially true for poor boys and boys who are struggling in school. Older males, says Michael Gurian (a quoted author), model self-restraint and solid work habits for younger ones. And whether they're breathing down their necks about grades or admonishing them to show up for school on time, an older man reminds a boy in a million different ways that school is crucial to their mission in life."

Newsweek also reports: "Thirty years ago men represented 58 percent of the (college) undergraduate student body. Now they're a minority at 44 percent."

What's the solution? James Brack, a post doctoral fellow with the Bradley School in Portsmouth, RI, and Brown Medical Schools, cites the following opportunities for parents and teachers to help boys thrive in school:

Most people realize that girls mature physically faster than boys, but parents and educators need to understand that this also impacts the way boys engage in the classroom.

The part of the brain that assists in response-inhibition, the prefrontal cortex, develops later for boys than for girls. As a result, boys are more likely to blurt out answers or be impulsive in class, says Brack.

He suggests that one way of assisting boys in the classroom may be to structure tasks to include higher levels of energy and noise, thereby making allowances for impulsivity.

Staging game show-based activities that separate the class into teams in order to test subject knowledge works well for boys. Another tactic includes using more hands-on learning, like group experiments, that incorporate movement and interaction.

Keeping boys engaged and interested in class is also linked to the subject matter. Surveys of boys' attitudes toward reading often cite "boring" topics as the number one reason why boys reject literature. Several lists of "boy-friendly" themed books are available on-line and comic

books, magazines, and illustrated novels can also feed a love of reading, says Brack.

Boys are often taught that they should be autonomous and self-reliant and as a result, asking for help can often lead boys to devalue themselves," Brack explains. Fathers need to offer assistance, nonetheless.

Parents can also help boys identify school staff members on whom they can rely for help with schoolwork, emotional stress or conflicts with peers (Your columnist has always advocated for one special person at school to whom your son can go for help).

Brack suggests that parents make conversations about school a daily habit and send the message that school is a priority for the family.

"Try asking specific questions about certain subjects or ask about school topics that are of interest to your son," says Brack.

Parents and teachers can help by identifying male family members or community leaders who place emphasis on education, and by inviting these men to speak with boys on a regular basis. Your columnist reminds parents of the value of Boy Scout masters and recreational and religious leaders being involved with their son. Community mentor programs can also assist in teaching the importance of school.

Parents should work closely with the school to identify when and how their son is performing poorly, Brack says.

Parent-teacher communication is key to identifying if a student is slipping academically, and can produce collaborative means of bringing him up to speed.

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Alice McCarthy

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Phrases like "once in a-lifetime experience" were tossed around, and I started thinking they might be right. I turned 47 on Super Bowl Sunday, and the event probably won't come back to Detroit in my lifetime.

So, there were the boys and I, waiting in line to take the shuttle from Dearborn's Fairlane Town Centre to the Fort/Cass drop-off point downtown. We only waited about 15 minutes for the shuttle, and that turned out to be our longest wait of the day, despite the thousands of people who were at Cobo Hall for the final day of the NFL Experience.

Marcus and his friend, Jason, football players both, took off to hit all the skill challenges. The rest of us — Matthew, Robert, Andrew and I — spent more time looking at the historical stuff. The little ones (they're 8 and 7) wanted to try kicking and throwing the ball, so we did that, too.

It was neat watching Robert and Andrew — 75 and 59 pounds, respectively (most of it heart) — trying to move the blocking dummy. We watched a film of past Super Bowl clips, the surround sound thundering with every on-screen hit.

I admit I didn't have much faith in Detroit's ability to host such a major event.

Mother Nature certainly cooperated by not dumping eight feet of snow on the city, but still, police and volunteers manned the streets, politely and, in many cases, cheerfully directing people.

I learned a lot in the few hours we spent at the NFL Experience. I learned my hands are about the same size as former Buffalo Bills quarterback Jim Kelly, so maybe my youthful dreams of playing for the Miami Dolphins weren't so far-fetched after all.

I learned I can't kick a football through uprights only 20 yards away. I learned I can run the halfback challenge in 6.13 seconds, as long as I'm not required to actually hit anything with the football at the end of it.

I also learned people can surprise you.

Thousands streamed through Cobo Hall that day, yet I never saw any pushing or shoving, never heard a cross word from people waiting in line.

I discovered, to my joy, the need to have faith — in the city, in people. On this day for this event, both proved a little faith can go a long way.

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Book aims to keep home fires burning

BY CAROL MARSHALL
STAFF WRITER

Writing a book was not something Dominique McDonough had at first set out to do. It was a series of painful, honest e-mails from a girlfriend whose husband is serving in the U.S. Army in Iraq, which served as a calling to pick up her pen and get to work.

It's not just about sex, she said of her book, *Sustaining the Sexual Force: A Military Spouse's Field Guide*. Rather, it's about staying connected in a romantic way.

McDonough's friend's husband had been away from home for a year's worth of long nights. The couple stays in touch using media that are gen-

erally about as romantic as the workplace water cooler — e-mail and instant messages.

The friend asked for advice on how to keep the romance alive when all they have is electronic communication, too-few phone calls, and old-fashioned letter writing.

And McDonough's book was born.

McDonough, who is constantly researching matters of the heart for her online blog about relationships, rustled up practical tips for those who are dealing with separation due to military deployment (though she said the information is useful for any couple involved in long distance relationships).

This is not the kind of information the military gives spouses, she said. Spouses get

advice on how to pay the bills and manage their households alone — how to stay on top of mortgages and insurance and medical care, but not how to keep the marriage afloat, McDonough added.

The advice she gives in the book is intended to help get the creative juices flowing — a sort of 'how-to' write sexy love letters. She also offers tips on what is *not* sexy.

'There is such a thing as bad erotica,' she said, her blonde curls bouncing as she shook her head and recalled examples of such. 'And you don't want to write that.'

The book offers advice such as how to go on virtual dates — you each log on and visit a museum's Web site and instant message while you're navigat-

ing it. And it offers more explicit instructions on the art of writing about fantasy.

One thing you have to keep in mind is that even though most of the e-mails and letters won't be censored, they probably will be read by someone else, so you have to be very comfortable with that, she said.

Sustaining the Sexual Force is available through major book retailers such as Barnes and Noble, Amazon, Borders and BookFinder.com. For more information, e-mail Dominique McDonough at sustainingthesexualforce@yahoo.com or visit online at www.freewebs.com/sexual-force.

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Heartland Hospice is looking for caring and dedicated people with an interest in serving terminally ill patients and their families in Washtenaw, Livingston and western Wayne counties. Volunteers provide services such as friendly visiting, patient transport/patient outings, errand running, grief support and clerical services. Volunteer training takes place Feb. 18. Contact volunteer coordinator Ann Christensen for more information by calling (888) 973-1145.

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Friends of the Rouge is seeking volunteers for the ninth annual Rouge River Watershed Frog and Toad Survey. Volunteers need no prior experience but must attend one two-hour training workshop and learn 8 breeding calls from a CD that is provided. All materials are provided. Surveys are conducted independently on damp warm evenings several times a month beginning in March and ending in July. This is a simple presence/absence survey in which participants identify what species are calling. Survey locations must be within the Rouge River Watershed in wetlands. The survey is a fun opportunity to spend time with family and friends outdoors learning about local wildlife. Families, students, seniors, etc. are encouraged to sign up. Pre-registration for workshops is required by calling (313) 792-9621 or e-mailing picordinator@therouge.org. Please provide your full name, address, phone and e-mail and which workshop you would like to attend. Thursday, March 2, 7-9 p.m. Ypsilanti Civic Center, 7200 S. Huron River Drive. Ypsilanti, Saturday, March 4, 10 a.m. noon, Livonia Civic Center, Library, 32777 Five Mile Livonia. Tuesday, March 7, 7-9 p.m. University of Michigan Dearborn Environmental Interpretive Center, 4901 Evergreen. Dearborn, Thursday, March 9, 7-9 p.m. Southfield Parks & Recreation, 26000 Evergreen. Southfield or Saturday, March 11, 10 a.m. to noon, Plymouth Board of Trustees meeting room, 42350 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

Daddy-Daughter Ball

Northville Parks and Recreation invites young ladies and their special gentle-

men (dad, uncle or brother) to the 23rd annual Daddy Daughter Princess Ball. Live entertainment, dancing, crafts, games and treats will set the stage for one unforgettable night. Prince Charming will be there, too, and is sure to make it magical! The ball takes place 4-6 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Recreation Center at Hillside (700 W. Baseline, Northville). Tickets are \$10 per person per dance and can be purchased at the Recreation Center. For more information call (248) 349-0203, Ext. 1411. Tickets are limited and do sell out.

Genealogical societies

The Livingston County Genealogical Society meets 7 p.m. March 2 for a presentation on Genealogy and Adoption Research, presented by guest speakers from the Adoption Identity Movement of Michigan, a search and support organization founded in 1972 by people directly affected by all aspects of adoption. The meeting takes place at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1041 Grand River in Howell. A help session starts at 6 p.m. The public is invited. For more information call (810) 227-7745.

The Western Wayne County Genealogical Society meets 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 20 at the Livonia Civic Park Senior Center Building on Farmington Road just south of 5 Mile. Guest speaker Chauncy Miller will talk about Elmwood Cemetery, giving facts and lore of Detroit's 150-year-old cemetery. The meeting and classes are open to the public free of charge and guests are welcome. For more information call (734) 425-3079.

Parenting seminar

Jim Fay, one of America's most sought-after presenters in the areas of parenting and school discipline,

returns to the Northville area for two Love and Logic parenting seminars. March 6 in the auditorium at the new Northville High School on Six Mile between Sheldon and Beck. The first session, 4:30-6 p.m., is for parents of preschool and elementary age children. The second session, 7:30-9 p.m., helps parents learn how to quit arguing with their children, ways to handle recovery time and food issues and how to get their children to help around the house. For more information call (248) 344-8443.

Awakening artists

Capture the magic and fun of Narnia over Winter Break with The Chronicles of Narnia ART youth art classes conducted by Awakening The Artist Inside, a fine art studio and art supply store in downtown Northville. Daily workshops for youth ages 3 to 15 years are being offered from Monday through Thursday, Feb. 13-16. Student artists will learn traditional art techniques and skills while participating in age-specific classes with themes such as 'Visiting Mr. Beaver's House Through the Wardrobe: A Winter World Adventure with Mr. Tumnus' and 'Under the Spell of the White Witch: Using various mediums including sculpture, painting, mixed media and colored pencils, students will create their own characters and imagine their own world through the Wardrobe with the guidance of experienced art instructors Ms. Katra and Hughean. For additional information or to schedule a Narnia ART adventure call Awakening The Artist Inside at (248) 347-0807 or stop by the store located in downtown Northville, 111 North Center Street. Workshops range in price from \$25 to \$40 and include all materials.



JERRY ZOLYNSKI

Party time

James McFarlane of Canton hangs out with Detroit Pistons cheerleader Chelsea Cullen of Sterling Heights during the Super Bowl, a private party held Super Bowl Sunday at the Compuware building in Detroit. More than 1,500 people attended the Super Bowl-related party, which featured appearances by Tom Arnold and a live performance by Queens of the Stone Age.

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REUNIONS

Central High
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A 60 year reunion is planned for June 4 2006 at Glen Oaks Country Club. Both January and June classmates will celebrate over dinner and dancing. January grads contact Al Weiss (248) 737 9313 or Esther Bornstein (248) 851 6625. June grads contact Barbara Keidan (248) 646 7199 or Saul Saulson (248) 932 5177.

Denby High School
Class of 1956
A 50 year reunion is planned for Sept 16 2006 at the Club Venetian in Madison Heights. Contact Doreen (McClelland) Weber at dajweb@juno.com or Jerry Love at (586) 739 3840.

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Looking for classmates. A 50 year reunion is planned for October 2006. All alumni from other years welcome. Contact Ted at (734) 462 2411 or Lillian at (734) 326 1324.

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Detroit St. Theresa
Class of 1956
A 50 year reunion is planned for June 10 2006 at the Holiday Inn West 17123 Laurel Park Dr N in Livonia. A brunch is planned on June 11. For more information call Mary Monroe at (734) 427 4526.

Edsel Ford High School
A 50th anniversary will be held over the next year with a series of special events. Final activity will be a Black and White Ball on Saturday May 20 2006. About the activities www.geocities.com/edsel50th. To contact the committee email edsel50@gmail.com.

Epiphany Grade School
Class of 1966
A 40 year reunion is in the planning stages for the summer of 2006. Contact Dorothy at (248) 477 9478 or dzsnyder@hotmail.com.

Ferndale High School
Class of 1975/1976
A 30 year reunion is planned for Saturday Aug 12 2006 at the Troy Somerset Inn 2601 West Big Beaver Road between I 75 and Coolidge Road. For information and to register sign in at www.fhs7576.org. Discount if you register before Feb 15. Cost is \$65/person or \$120/couple. Forward payment ASAP to FHS 75 76 Reunion PO Box 20274 Ferndale MI 48220. Class of 1966
A 40 year reunion is planned for Saturday July 29 2006 at the Sheraton Detroit Novi 21111 Haggerty Road (I 275 at Eight Mile Road) Novi. To register send check for \$75 per person to Ferndale High School 1966 Class Reunion C/O Joan Rockett Horner 951 W Oakridge Ferndale 48220.

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A 25 year reunion is planned for Saturday May 13 2006. For more information contact Nancy Davis Zaleski at (734) 427 8254 or fordsonreunion@yahoo.com or go to www.geocities.com/fordsonreunion.

Franklin High School
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Planning a reunion for 2007. Please contact Kathy Nisun (248) 363 5679 or email Kaynini@aoi.com or Kathy Shoebridge @klivingston@nu.com.

Garden City West
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A 35 year reunion is planned for April 1 2006 at Mama Mia Restaurant on Plymouth Road in Livonia. Contact Gordon Adams at (586) 949 7462 for information and reservations.

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Livonia Franklin
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A reunion is in the pre planning stages for 2007. For more information contact Kathy Nisun (248) 363 5679 or Email Kaynini@aoi.com.

Marine Reunion
The Third Marine Division Association will hold its annual family reunion on Aug 9 13 2006 in Milwaukee Wisconsin. Headquarters Hotel Hyatt Regency Milwaukee. Anyone who served in was attached to or served in support of The Third Marine Division at any time since it was formed on Sept 16 1942 is eligible and cordially invited to attend. For membership and reunion information contact Sgt Major Bill Krueger USMC Ret (703) 451 3844 or 7622 Highland St Springfield VA 22150 3931 or www.ca1trap.com.

Southeastern (Detroit)
Class of 1956
Southeastern High School (Detroit) Class of 1956 50 Year Reunion is planned for Saturday Sept 16 2006 at the Northfield Hilton. Contact Beverly at (586) 566 6775.

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A 30 year reunion is planned for Saturday Aug 5 2006 at Sandtraps Banquet Center (located at the Idyl Wyld Golf Course in Livonia). Approximately \$30/person. Contact Ann Lopus Ferrari (734) 953 1043 (email apferrari@sbcglobal.net) or Dennis Diponio at (734) 591 0184.

ENGAGEMENTS



Gilson-Ciavaglia
Earl and Ann Gilson of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Justine, to David Philip Ciavaglia of Dearborn. Amy is a graduate of Madonna University. She is employed with Livonia Public Schools. Her fiancé, David, is the son of Phil and Vera Ciavaglia of Dearborn. He is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He is employed with Ford Motor Co. David and Amy are planning an August wedding at St Michael's Catholic Church in Livonia.

Foust-Christensen
Brian and Cathy Foust of Plymouth announce the engagement of their daughter, Kari Elizabeth, to Stephen Christensen. Kari received her bachelor's degree in English, with a writing emphasis, from Hope College in 2005. She is currently a staff writer for Group Tour Magazine in Holland, Mich. Her fiancé, Stephen, is the son of Drs. Ralph and Evelyn Christensen of Lexington, KY. He is currently pursuing a bachelor's degree in computer science at Hope College. Stephen and Kari are planning an August wedding in Plymouth, and will reside in Holland.

VanderMeulen-Flohr
Wendell and Sharon VanderMeulen of Belmont announce the engagement of their daughter, Trista Anne, to Gregory Flohr of Ionia. Trista is a graduate of Ferris State University. She is employed with Spectrum Health Blodgett. Her fiancé, Gregory, is the son of Bruce and Linda Flohr of Livonia. He is a graduate of Ferris State University and is employed with Auto Owners Insurance. Gregory and Trista are planning an April wedding at West Cannon Baptist Church.



Clairmont-Tobin
Joseph and Catherine Clairmont of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Angelina, to Ryan Tobin of Livonia. Angelina is a 1999 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 2003 graduate of University of Michigan-Dearborn. She is employed with Dell Will Customs Brokers. Her fiancé, Ryan, is the son of Jerry and Diane Tobin of Livonia. He is a 1999 graduate of Stevenson High School and a 2004 graduate of Eastern Michigan University. He is employed with Intier Automotive. Ryan and Angelina are planning a July wedding at St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth.



Houslander-Artrip
Jeffrey and Patricia Houslander of Livonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie, to Christopher Artrip of Livonia. Julie is a 2005 graduate of the University of Michigan School of Nursing. She is employed at Oakwood Hospital in Dearborn as a labor and delivery nurse. Her fiancé, Christopher, is the son of Tenon Artrip of Livonia and Mary Artrip. He is a student at Schoolcraft College. Currently he is employed at Learning Care Group in Novi in the IT Department. Christopher and Julie are planning a June wedding at St Aidan's Catholic Church with a reception at The Inn at St Johns.



McCarty-Hatherley
Robert and Darlene Hatherley of Oxford announce the engagement of their daughter, Beth Marie, to Daniel Jack McCarty, Jr., the son of Daniel and Jane McCarty, Sr. of Troy. The bride-to-be is a graduate of Oxford High School and Albion College. She is a project manager for the human resources department at AT&T in Westland. Her fiancé is a graduate of Troy High School and Albion College. He is a senior planner for Buck at GM Planworks in Detroit. A May wedding is planned at St. Thomas More Church in Troy.



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PAUL N. DU BRICO

Of Waterford age 85 born July 9 1920 died February 9, 2006. Funeral Mass will be celebrated 12:30 PM Monday at the Chapel of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church 600 N. Adelaide St. Fenton. Burial in Holy Sepulchre Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be held at Sharp Funeral Homes 1000 Silver Lake Road Fenton from 6-8 PM Saturday and 2-4 and 6-8 PM Sunday and at the church from 11:30 AM until time of service Monday. Mr. Du Brico was employed by Burroughs. Surviving are two daughters, Sandra Armbruster of Fenton, Anne (Michael) Pramstaller of Virginia, four grandchildren Peter (Sharon) Armbruster, Sarah, Matthew and Laura Pramstaller, two great grandchildren, Alexandra and Megan. He was preceded in death by his wife Laura in 1975.

VIRGINIA V. PRYCE

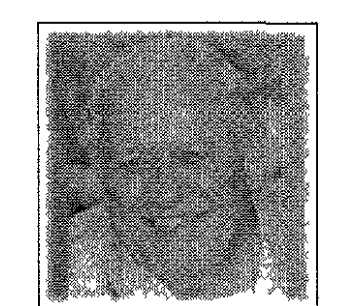
Age 86, February 7, 2006. Beloved wife of the late Edward Dear mother of Ronald (Agar), Dennis and Wayne (MaryKay). Grandmother of 6. Great grandmother of 13. Sister of Dolores Stark and Leona Kuclo. Services were handled by the Santeu and Son Funeral Home.

RICHARD T. HARTZELL

Age 70 of Orchard Lake Michigan died of natural causes February 8 2006 at his residence. Mr. Hartzell was born December 11 1935 in Anderson Indiana and was a current resident of Orchard Lake Michigan where he resided for 30 years. Mr. Hartzell was an Automotive Engineer with Pontiac Division of General Motors after 25 years he transferred to Nissan and then retired in 1980. After retirement he served as a President of Aviation Investment Corp. L.L.C. Mr. Hartzell was a graduate of Purdue University and received his MBA from the University of Michigan. Dick served on the Orchard Lake City Council for 12 years serving as Mayor 2 terms including this past year. He was also a member of Kirk in the Hills and served as Trustee a member of the Orchard Lake Country Club and Hunters Creek D.I.A. American Wing. Mr. Hartzell is survived by his wife of 45 years Ann O. Hartzell, three sons Thomas R. (Charlotte) Hartzell, William O. (Heather) Hartzell and Bruce A. Hartzell. One daughter Elizabeth A. (David) Costello. Grandfather of Katherine Susan Thomas, Matthew, Lydia, Melanie and Anna. Also one sister survives Mary Jane Nicewander. Memorial services will be held at Kirk in the Hills of Bloomfield Hills 1340 W Long Lake Rd. Tuesday February 14 2006 at 3:00pm. Memorial Visitation at the Wm R. Hamilton Co. of Birmingham 820 E. Maple on Monday Feb 13 4 to 8 pm. The Reverend Dr. Norman M. Prichard and the Reverend David J. Hanna will be officiating. Memorial tributes may be made to Kirk in the Hills 1340 W Long Lake Road Bloomfield Hills 48302 1335 or to Garth Newel Music Center P.O. Box 240 Warm Springs Virginia 24484. Entombment will be private in the Columbarium at Kirk in the Hills.

RONALD DEAN ROBERTS

Age 74 of Gold Canyon AZ formerly of Farmington and Livonia. Passed away on November 23 2005 in hospice. Preceded in death by son James. Survived by Lois his wife of 56 years, daughter Gayle Krupin, sons Ronald Brian Michael, estranged son Steven 12 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Please call 734 395 1733 for memorial service information.



ROBERT S. WHITING

Age 79 of Traverse City died February 6 2006 at his home. Born June 14 1926 in Detroit, he was the son of the late Vern Oliver and Jesse (Parr) Whiting. On August 6 1949 in Sylvania OH he married the former Elaine Hotchkiss who died on January 5 2005. A graduate of Howe Military School and Hillsdale College. Bob faithfully served his country during WWII with the U.S. Army. A former resident of Bloomfield Hills. Robert owned and operated Whiting Distribution Services Inc. A civic minded person he was a member of Northeast Detroit Lions Club and the Detroit Athletic Club. Bob enjoyed entertaining his family and many friends at his retreat near Cheboygan. He is survived by his four children Scott (Mimi) Whiting of Spring Lake, Dan (Pat) Whiting of Clarkston, Jo Whiting Skandalaris of Brighton and Jane (Steven Bath) Whiting of Williamsburg. Ten grandchildren: Lisa Rebecca, Kristin, Amy, Bonnie (Ben) Peter (Megan), Sara, Zeke, Gina, and Joey. Two sisters: Shirley Szytel and Madeline Lathrop. Robert was preceded in death by one sister, Beatrice, and five brothers: Jack, Dick, Gaylord, George, and Max. Friends may call at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home 5929 S. Main St. Clarkston, on Monday February 13 2006 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 AM Tuesday February 14 2006 at Clarkston Community Church 6300 Clarkston. Clarkston Pastor Dan Whiting (son) and Pastor Gregory Henneman will officiate. Memorials may be directed to Northeast Detroit Lions Club 17500 Chester Ave. Detroit 48224 or to the Clarkston Community Church. Kindly share your memories with the family on their online guest book at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

ROBERT AHLMAN PETERSON

Age 62. Passed away on February 9 2006. Robert resided in Grand Rapids MI. He was a former teacher at Fennville Public Schools and Athletic Director. Also he was former Mayor of Fennville. Graduate of Eastern Michigan and also was a Barber Shop Singer. Preceded in death by his parents Ralph E. (Dagny Damm) Peterson and brother David R. Peterson. Survived by his brother John (Kathleen) Peterson of Elk Rapids MI, Cousin of Caroline Janney San Luis Obispo Calif. Also survived by three nephews: John Jason and Jesse Peterson. Visitation Sunday Feb 12 2006 from 2-4 PM at the Chappell Funeral Home 637 W. Main Fennville MI. Funeral will be held Monday Feb 13 2006 at 1:00 PM at Glenn Eden Memorial Park Livonia MI. Clergy officiating: Robert Hoey. Memorials: Clark Retirement Community 1551 Franklin St. Grand Rapids MI 49506.

CRAIG STEVEN NIELSEN

Age 53. February 9 2006. Father of Nicole Steven and Leslie. Former husband of Janice Nielsen Skousen. Son of Peter and the late Mariam. Brother of Alan Paul Roy (Kerry) and Denise (Greg) Stratton. Uncle of Amber Stacey James and Hailey. Memorial service Monday 11am at Livonia Ward Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints 31450 Six Mile Rd. Livonia. Memorials may be made to Cerebral Hemorrhage Research.

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NEW VOICES



Harvey Dennis Smith
Cassandra and Bradley Smith of Livonia announce the birth of the son, **Harvey Dennis**, on Dec 25, 2005, at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia. He weighed 8 pounds 10 ounces, and was 22 inches long. Harvey's grandparents are Margaret and Gary Gray of Livonia, Susan Gilling of Livonia, and Dennis Smith of Plymouth. His great-grandmothers are Jean Smith of Novi, and Helen Gilling of Novi.

MISC. SINGLES

Moons-dusters
Ballroom Dancing to a live band every Saturday 8:30-11 p.m. at the Livonia Civic Center 15218 Farmington Road Livonia. Admission: guest/\$6, associates/\$5, members/\$5. Dress: Ladies date style clothes, gentlemen: jackets and ties. For more information call Joe Castrodale (248) 968 5197.

Bethany Suburban West
A Valentine Mardi Gras Dance will be 8 p.m. until midnight on Friday Feb 17 at St. Robert Bellarmine Church. Costumes optional. Refreshments: snacks, pizza, salad, pop, beer, and wine. Tickets are \$15. Advance tickets advisable. Contact Michele (313) 996 8644.
Monthly Breakfast Meeting will be Saturday Feb 18 at Leon's on Ford Road in Garden City. Kitty corner from Kmart. All separated/divorced and singles welcome.

SINGLES

otherwise noted
Ski/Party/Dance
Saturdays Feb 18 and March 4. Downhill skiing, party and dance at Mt. Brighton 196 ext 145. Follow the signs and turn right at Big Boy. Anytime 6 p.m. till 2 a.m. Discounted singles group rate is \$20. Includes an all area lift ticket, admission to party and dance (8 p.m. to 1 a.m.) in Smart Alex Top 40 D.J. cash bar, hors d'oeuvres (9 p.m.) and door prizes. Discounted ski rental. Admission to party/dance for skiers is free. Non skiers/\$9.

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PACS 7 p.m. 2nd and 4th Mondays in Room C309.
Praying Together 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the Sanctuary at Ward Church.
Classic Senior Singles
Tuesday Feb 14 at 7 p.m. Room C317. Tea with Mussolini movie.

Third Friday
Feb 17 Feather Bowling at the Cadieux Cafe. Bus leaves Ward parking lot at 6 p.m. Food/pop included.

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MSP dances from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Top 40 DJ, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres (8-9:30 p.m.) and door prizes. Admission \$5/members \$9/non members unless otherwise noted. Attire is dressy casual (no jeans or tennis shoes) unless

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Beyond the Aisle

Marshall Field's celebrates all things bridal at Beyond the Aisle 8 a.m. - noon Feb. 18 at Somerset in Troy. The event will feature trunk shows, beauty seminars, registry tips, catering ideas and specialists to help you plan your big day. A fashion show will preview trends in bridal, mother of the bride, bridesmaid and menswear. Couture bridal gown designer Romona Keveza and

The Knot Senior Online Editor Liz Zack will make appearances. Tickets \$15. Call 1-800-210-0100. **Bridal Open House** The Community House in Birmingham will host its 7th annual Bridal Open House 1-4 p.m. Saturday Feb. 18. Twenty exhibitors will display the freshest wedding tips and trends. Dale Morgan of Blossoms Florist will give "Bridal Style" seminars at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:15 p.m. Admission is free and attendees get 20 percent off room rental fees at The Community House through April 7. RSVP at (248) 594-6400.

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By Wendy White

A little black dress will take you anywhere in understated elegance, but if you really want to turn heads, then wear red.

Red dresses are bold, confident and sexy. They definitely grab attention, which is why the American Heart Association chose a red dress as the symbol for its 'Go Red for Women' campaign. Go Red for Women promotes awareness of heart diseases and stroke, the number one and number three killers of women. Go Red kicked off with National Wear Red Day on Feb. 3, and continues this month with a Red Dress Tour. Students from the International Academy of Design & Technology-Detroit designed red dresses for the tour, which will move from the Detroit Public Library to Beaumont Hospital tomorrow. We caught up with Grosse Pointe resident Nancy Vella, chair of the tour, to find out more.

How did you get the idea for the Red Dress Tour?

Two years ago when we adopted the "Go Red for Women" symbol on a national basis, they had famous designers make red dresses that toured the country to the various lunches going on. When I was getting together with the AHA, I commented that the Red Dress Tour was a nice touch, and maybe we could do that again. I suggested using students, and the AHA liked the idea. They had been contacted in the past by IADT to incorporate students somehow, so when we came up with this red dress idea they jumped all over it.

Why did you select students?

Their careers are going to be in design. Why not give them an opportunity to show their talents, but also for a good cause? We had over 30 students and a couple teachers who designed red dresses. Each was very unique. They were given some guidelines — they could do a party dress, a wedding dress, an after-five dress, or a career dress.

Who chose the winner?

The judge was Pamela Roland, a fashion designer based out of Grand Rapids who also works in New York. She selected eight dresses and those eight dresses are now on tour around Metropolitan Detroit.

Can the public see the other entries?

We decided that at the Go Red for Women luncheon March 2, the Executive Leadership team, of which I am a volunteer, are going to model the dresses, so we'll have a fashion show. I think all 30 dresses will be featured.

How does your dress look?

I had a couple fittings with the student who designed my dress. Her name is Alexis Lewis. She's a 21-year veteran of the Detroit Police Force, and when she retires she is looking to start a new career in fashion design. She has sewn all her life out of necessity because she's 6'5". The dress is a long evening gown and it has a train. It's very form-fitting and very flattering.

You are Firm Director for Deloitte and Touche in Detroit, a major sponsor of the tour.

Yes, Deloitte is very much involved in health issues, and encouraging healthy lifestyles for our employees. Deloitte is also known for their Women's Initiative to keep moms in the work force and give them work-life balance. It really ties in with what Deloitte is working to promote, which is why we decided to sponsor the Red Dress Tour. We're going to take it one step further with a networking opportunity in May focused on the Red Dress Tour that will include heart screenings from Beaumont hospitals.

Has heart disease affected your life?

Personally, my father and father-in-law both had quadruple bypass surgery, and through my work with the AHA I have met several women with health problems. One woman here at Deloitte had heart surgery when she was 31. She experienced what many women go through — her doctor sent her home, and said it was all in her head. He couldn't figure out what was wrong with her. Finally a doctor took her seriously, and she had to have one of her arteries replaced. We're trying to make the public more aware of heart disease in women. Most people know it's the number one killer of men, but it's the number one killer of women too.

What got you involved with AHA?

I've been a volunteer for four years. It stemmed from an interest in helping women in general. I think you can have a lot of control over your health by what you eat, exercise and taking care of yourself. Seventy percent of heart disease can be avoided or prevented by living healthy.

For information about fashion design programs at IADT Detroit located in Troy call (248) 457-2700 or visit www.iadt-detroit.com. For information about the Go Red For Women Luncheon or the Red Dress Tour call the AHA at (248) 827-4214 or visit local.americanheart.org.

Red Dress Tour
Featuring designs from Makeeta Birdsong, Jacqueline Floyd, Anastasia Chatzka, Jennifer Biehl, Alexis Lewis, Kurt Scholsser, Susan Walton and Tina Coleman
Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak Feb. 6-13, Crittenton Hospital, Rochester, Feb. 13-17, Deloitte & Touche, Detroit beginning March 3

Red Dress Fashion Show
All 30 Red Dress Tour entries will be modeled during the **Go Red For Women Luncheon** at the Dearborn Inn on March 2.

Nancy Vella made a dress designed by Alexis Lewis for the Tour.

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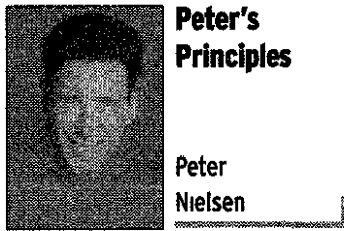
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Use right technique to be safe

Wait from Pontiac e-mails for workout safety tips. Wait, without the right precautions, a trip to the gym can turn out to be downright dangerous. It's especially sad when a healthy young athlete dies while working out. They usually have some type of heart disease that may have gone undetected by their doctor. But even healthy people can die during a workout. A crushing blow to the chest area is particularly dangerous. It can actually stop the heart beating in its tracks. At least five people die annually from a severe blow to the chest while bench pressing. They have also found that many accidents happen at home without proper supervision. These tragedies hammer home the importance of always using the right techniques during workouts and having someone standing by in case you run into any trouble.

Kathy from Redford e-mails asking if fasting will help her lose weight. Kathy, the truth is that fasting is overrated for both weight loss and cleansing the body of toxins. There is no evidence that fasting cleanses the body in any workout or that your digestive track needs any kind

Total fasting does result in short-term weight loss. However, most of the weight is fluid, not fat! As the fast continues you will lose some fat, but you will also lose important muscle.

of cleansing to begin with. Your digestive system is already efficient at cleansing itself thanks to Mother Nature! Total fasting does result in short-term weight loss. However, most of the weight is fluid, not fat! As the fast continues you will lose some fat, but you will also lose important muscle.

In general, if you're healthy, a 24-hour fast is OK. Remember, eating sensibly and exercising is the key to successful weight loss.

If you have a question, e-mail Peter at www.peternielsen.com. Catch Peter daily on WDIV NBC 4 & WWJ News Radio 950. Contact him at Peter Nielsen's Personal Training Club in West Bloomfield or Nielsen's Town Center Health Club in Southfield.

Heart healthy

New book makes a great gift for Valentine's Day

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN
STAFF WRITER

If you're giving chocolate as a gift for Valentine's Day, George Raptis' new book might make a nice addition and could lead to a healthier heart as long as the recipient doesn't eat too many of the treats. According to a report cited by Raptis in *Ask the Nutritionists*, dark chocolate is a potent antioxidant that can gobble up free radicals, the destructive molecules implicated in heart disease.

"Dark chocolate can lower cholesterol, can even lower blood pressure and has flavonoids, the same compounds in red wine and tea that have disease-preventing benefits," said Raptis, a 31-year-old Livonia nutritionist who combined his love of food and health to earn a bachelor's degree in dietetics from Madonna University and a culinary arts certificate from Schoolcraft College.

Raptis presently teaches healthy cooking seminars to high school and adult students in Garden City, but held similar sessions on Recipe Makeovers for Oakwood Healthcare and scatters them throughout the paperback book. Look for hummus to serve as a spread or dip with whole wheat pitas or raw vegetables on page 73.

The Middle Eastern dish and chocolate are two of the topics easily accessed in the book which alphabetically covers cholesterol, eating to prevent cancer, osteoporosis, weight loss, supplements such as JuicePLUS+, and the dangers of high protein diets, to name a few. If you're confused about what foods are healthy to eat, *Ask the Nutritionists* has an answer for nearly every question. Dr. Delia Garcia, who wrote the fore-

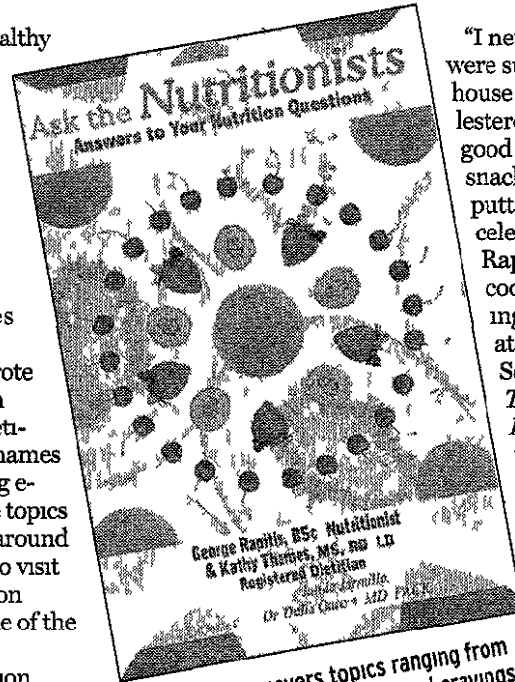
word, says healthy eating is a mystery to many families. Judging from the questions Raptis receives on www.allexperts.com, he's not surprised. Raptis co-wrote the book with registered dietitian Kathy Thames after receiving e-mail on these topics from people around the world who visit the Web site on which he's one of the experts.

As a radiation oncologist, Garcia sees the end result of poor nutrition which is causing a rise in obesity, hypertension, diabetes, and cancer. Garcia is especially concerned because in the last 20 years she's noticed an increase in patients being diagnosed with breast cancer, and at a younger age.

"I try to answer questions people ask about most often," said Raptis, who now counsels clients at the Ford-Tel Medical Center in Dearborn after working as a nutritionist at Garden City Hospital. "Vegetarians want to know how to get more calcium. A lot of people are on the go. They want to know what can they eat. Others had questions about fussy toddlers - how to get them to eat better."

I hope people use the book as a reference. There's so much confusing information out there.

Raptis did his research to find the answers. "That wasn't as easy as it sounds with the vast amount of studies being published. Raptis found, the more he read, the more he learned.



George Raptis covers topics ranging from sports and brain nutrition to food cravings, fatigue, fiber, flaxseed oil, and kombu in his second book.

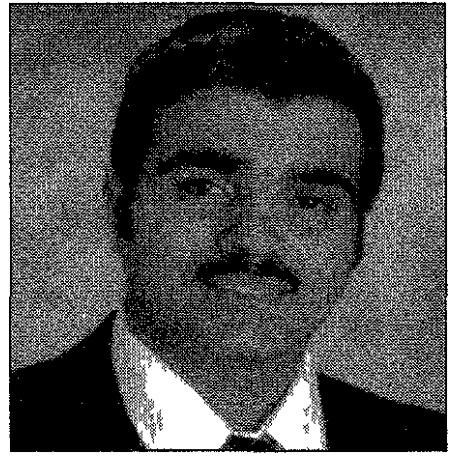
"I never knew almonds were such a nutrient powerhouse. They help with cholesterol, cancer and are a good fat, one of my favorite snacks. I especially like putting almond butter on celery sticks," said Raptis, whose interest in cooking grew while taking culinary arts classes at Franklin High School. His first book, *The Healthy Pregnancy Cookbook*, was co-written with food writer Jane Middleton and published in 2002 by Hungry Minds Inc.

"Low carb is more of a fad diet because you cut out a whole food group," said Raptis, who lists his favorite nutritional Web

sites in the book for those wanting more information. "Instead I like to talk about lifestyle changes. Diet is a negative word and only a temporary fix."

Raptis was raised in a Greek home so he learned to eat healthy at an early age. On a recent morning he began the day with oatmeal, fresh fruit and grape juice for breakfast, a tuna fish sandwich on whole wheat bread with a salad, yogurt and hummus for lunch, and grilled chicken with steamed broccoli and brown rice for dinner. Raptis works out every other day at Fitness USA in Westland to offset the calories he takes in. Exercising is something he's done since playing football at Franklin High School.

"My grandmother (Katherine Tsiknas) taught me to eat dandelion greens. She set the example by eating healthier," said Raptis, whose grandparents and parents immigrated to the United States from Greece. One grandmother, Anna Raptis is 103 and still



George Raptis answers questions about healthy eating in his new book.

lives on Chios, a Greek island. "She (Tsiknas) picked grape leaves from the back yard and stuffed them, made chicken soup from scratch. We never had fast food."

"In the U.S. our diets need a lot of revamping, portion sizes are huge. Add food calories to not exercising and sitting in front of the TV and there's a big problem with one in two men at risk of getting cancer, one in three women. In Greece there's less cancer and heart disease."

It's obvious Raptis likes to cook, but you'd never know that by looking at him. He has never been overweight.

"I like to eat, but I have changed how I eat. I'm not afraid to experiment," said Raptis. "You can make a lot of things with egg whites like the fresh vegetable frittata on page 10. One of my students loved eggs and stopped eating them because of the cholesterol, but eggs whites are very versatile and a healthy lean source of protein."

Ask the Nutritionists: Answers to Your Nutrition Questions is available at Zerbe's in Livonia and Barnes and Noble in Northville, or order from the publisher at www.authorhouse.com, amazon.com, or any local bookstore.

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Watch those rays: Sun protection is a must year-round

If you are one of the 10 million skiers or snowboarders expected to hit the slopes this winter season, remember to pack your sunscreen. It is easy to think that being in a cold environment does not put you at risk for sunburn, when in fact ultraviolet (UV) rays can be even more damaging on the slopes than on the beach.

Skiers and snowboarders may be unaware of the dangers they face from the sun while on the slopes. For every 1,000 feet of elevation, ultraviolet exposure increases by about 8-10 percent. So a skier with an average complexion, at 11,000 feet above sea level in Colorado, will burn at noon

after 6 minutes of unprotected sun exposure, compared to 14 minutes in Orlando. In addition, snow reflects about 80-percent of the ultraviolet light from the sun only compounding the problem and further increasing the risk for skin cancer.

"Statistics show that fewer than 20-percent of Americans wear sunscreen all year-round," said Dr. Perry Robins, president of the Skin Cancer Foundation. "That is not enough considering the sun shines 12-months a year and UV rays are present year-round no matter what season, altitude, temperature or time of day." To protect yourself this ski

season, follow these important sun protection tips.

Use sunscreen whenever you spend time outdoors. Both snow and strong wind can reduce the effectiveness of sunscreen, so remember to use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher. Apply sunscreen liberally and evenly to all exposed skin. Be sure to cover often-missed spots: lips, ears, around eyes, neck, scalp and hands.

Reapply at least every 90-minutes and more often after sweating or exposure to wind and snow.

And cover up. Wear long-sleeved shirts and long

pants. Tightly woven fabrics and dark colors offer more protection.

UV blocking sunglasses with wraparound or large frames protect your eyelids and the sensitive skin around your eyes, common sites for skin cancer and sun-induced aging.

Be mindful of time spent in the sun, regardless of the season. Keep track of the time you spend in full sunlight. If you are on the slopes for most of the day, take a few breaks indoors to reapply sunscreen.

Drink plenty of water to avoid dehydration from the sun.

Always remember, in ice and snow wear a hat, sun-

screen and lip balm, and slip on some sunglasses to cut down on the sun's reflection. To find out more about how to protect yourself from the sun this winter and all year-round, visit www.skincancer.org, or call (800) SKIN-490.

The Skin Cancer Foundation is the only national and international organization concerned exclusively with the world's most common malignancy - cancer of the skin. The mission of this non-profit organization is to increase public and professional awareness about the prevention, early detection and treatment of skin cancer.

Breast cancer patients are needed for acupuncture study at Henry Ford

Henry Ford Hospital is conducting a study to test the effectiveness of acupuncture for reducing hot flashes experienced by breast cancer patients receiving hormonal therapy. Researchers hope that the traditional Chinese practice leads to a new treatment option for patients.

"This study has the potential to dramatically decrease the incidence of hot flashes in hormone-treated breast cancer patients," said radiation oncologist Dr. Eleanor Walker, the study's lead investigator. "An alternative form of treatment

with minimal or no side effects is needed to improve the quality of life for these patients."

As part of the study, Walker works with acupuncturist Beth Kohn. Patients can choose to participate in the study at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit or at Henry Ford Medical Center in Novi.

Breast cancer patients who are treated with chemotherapy and/or hormonal therapy commonly experience hot flashes and other symptoms of premature menopause. An estimated 65 percent of breast cancer patients experience hot flashes,

and in many cases the symptoms are severe.

Hormone replacement therapy - estrogen and progesterin - is used to treat hot flashes in many women. However, HRT is not used in breast cancer patients who have hot flashes because of evidence that it poses a high risk of cancer recurrence.

Walker says the antidepressant drug Effexor is one of the most common therapies for treating hot flashes in breast cancer patients. Seventy of the 140 patients enrolled in the two-year study will be random-

ly assigned to receive acupuncture for 12 weeks. The other half will receive Effexor.

Eligible participants are pre- or postmenopausal breast cancer patients receiving hormonal

therapy with either the anti-estrogen drug tamoxifen or arimidex, patients who experience 14 hot flashes a week,

those who completed chemotherapy, and patients on hormonal therapy for at least four weeks. To enroll, call (313) 916-3938.

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Cholesterol screenings

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According to the American Heart Association while 200 mg/dL or less is a desirable cholesterol level nearly 107 million Americans age 20 or older have blood cholesterol levels of 200 mg/dL (considered borderline high) and almost 38 million have levels of 240 mg/dL or above (considered high blood cholesterol).

Cardiovascular diseases rank as America's No. 1 killer claiming the lives of 38 percent of the more than 2.4 million Americans who die each year. High blood cholesterol levels are a risk factor for cardiovascular disease.

For dates, times and locations see the schedule below or visit www.vna.org.

2-6 p.m. Monday Feb. 13 at 6625 Dixie Highway at Maybee, Clarkston. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday Feb. 13 9741 Dixie Highway, Clarkston. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 14 47060 Pointac Trail at Beck, Walled Lake. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday Feb. 16 47650 Grand River, Novi. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday Feb. 17 5111 Highland and Crescent Lake roads, Waterford. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday Feb. 20 5990 Sashabaw, Independence Township. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 21 3097 Baldwin Road, and 2-6 p.m. Feb. 21 460 N. Lapeer, Orion Township. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22 19855 12 Mile, Southfield. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday Feb. 27 10865 Highland at Elizabeth Lake, White Lake. and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 28, 25780 Middlebelt Road at 11 Mile, Farmington.

Wellness seminars

To lose weight 6-30 8:30 p.m. Monday Feb. 13 and to stop smoking Wednesday Feb. 15 at Crittenton Hospital Medical Center 1101 W. University Dr. Rochester. Main Entrance second floor.

The Wellness Seminar Programs combine the power of hypnosis with behavior modification. Participants learn to stop smoking without weight gain or withdrawals or lose weight without feelings of deprivation or denial. The first 45 minutes of each session is a free orientation. If the participant feels comfortable with the program they pay a one-time fee of \$69 and includes hypnosis session.

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Heart health

Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of women in the United States. Because awareness is more important than ever, Oakwood Community Health is offering a number of women's health screenings in cooperation with Life Line Screening to test for a blocked carotid artery, abdominal aortic aneurysm, peripheral arterial disease and osteoporosis. All for a nominal fee. Registration required. The dates and locations follow: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday Feb. 16 at Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church 30650 Six Mile, Livonia. and Thursday March 2 and 21 at Newburg United Methodist Church 36500 Ann Arbor Trail, Livonia. Cost is \$8.

9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday April 12 at the Wayne Senior Activity Center 35000 Sims (\$4). 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday May 9 at First Baptist Church of Canton 44500 Cherry Hill (\$8).

Divorce support

Group discussion 7-9 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 14 attorney Patricia Kasody Coyle will also be available to answer questions in a private setting on a first come first served basis. An attorney from the firm Woll & Woll will be available 5-7 p.m. the third Monday of each month to discuss divorce and family issues (anyone interested may sign in beginning at 4:30 p.m. that day).

Stress reduction

Workshops to learn the seven danger signs that indicate when your body is under too much stress and how to decrease emotional, chemical and physical stress. 6-15 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 14 at 8524 Canton Center Road, Canton. Guest lecturer is Dr. Michael Brackney, D.C. who will also teach trigger point therapy, a natural way to relieve tight and sore muscles. No charge. To sign up or for more information call (734) 455 4444. Seating limited.

Intro to Pilates

A guide through the basic Pilates philosophy and principles includes lecture, demonstration and question and answer session (dress comfortably). 7 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 15 at Oakland Physical Therapy 47601 Grand River at Beck, Suite B124, Novi. Use northeast entrance. To register call (248) 380 3550.

Bariatric seminar

Learn more about Bariatric Surgery at free educational seminars 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 15 in the St. Mary Mercy Hospital Auditorium 36475 Five Mile, Livonia. Speakers are surgeon Tallal Zeni, MD, director Minimally Invasive and Bariatric Surgery and Paula Magid, director Bariatric Program.

Sharing & Caring

State of Genetic Testing and Markers with William Beaumont Hospital certified genetics counselor Whitney Ducaime 7-9 p.m. Thursday Feb. 16 in the first floor conference room at the Beaumont Cancer Center 3577 W. 13 Mile, Royal Oak. Sharing & Caring offers educational and support programs for breast cancer survivors, their family and friends on Thursday evenings. To learn more about programs or to have a schedule of speakers mailed to you call (248) 551 8585.

GEMS

Group Exercise for Multiple Sclerosis meets 6-7 p.m. Feb. 17 and every Friday evening at the Livonia YMCA on Stark Road. It is a water exercise class for MS patients and their families. Support group meeting from 7:15-8:15 p.m. For information call Carolyn Davis (734) 459 9715 or Mike Hickey (734) 522 0036.

Recovery Inc.

The group meets Feb. 17 and every Friday in the Southfield Parks & Recreation Building on Evergreen at 10 1/2 Mile. For more information call (734) 464 0027.

Half hour to health

A fun and informative look at how the human body works and the five aspects of health will be covered in a lecture by Dr. Michael Brackney, D.C. 6-15 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 21 at 8524 Canton Center Road, Canton. Topics include the most beneficial foods for your health and how low carb diets may be dangerous for some individuals. Learn how to sleep correctly and eat and drink to reach optimal health. No charge. Seating limited. Call (734) 455 4444.

Role play workshop

Samaritan Counseling Services is offering a workshop on improving interpersonal skills 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday Feb. 25 at Samaritan's Conference Room. Gain insight into yourself, improve interpersonal relationships, learn to handle anger, fear and hurt through the Blees method of scenario role playing led by the Rev. Maymette Dolberry. Sessions will be offered each month for those who would like to continue to sharpen their interpersonal relationship skills. Reduced rate if four or more sign up. For details and registration call (734) 677 0609.

Eating disorders sessions

A two part educational presentation about eating disorders focusing on how genetics plays a role 7-9 p.m. Monday Feb. 27 (focus on adolescents) and Wednesday March 1 (focus on adults) in the first floor auditorium of the Administration Building at William Beaumont Hospital 3601 W. 13 Mile west of Woodward, Royal Oak. No charge. For information call (248) 898 9700.

Hearing air program

Individuals with hearing problems who meet eligibility requirements of hearing loss and low income criteria will be able to obtain free hearing aids from the Lions Hearing Center Hearing Aid Program. Candidates should call (888) LHC MICH for information and if eligible will be referred to a Lions Club in Oakland/Macomb County for sponsorship and an office in Southfield, Bloomfield Hills or Detroit for testing and fitting. Candidates may approach their local Lions Club for sponsorship and/or more information about the program.

Art exhibit

Artist and cancer survivor Arlene Evans displays a collection of original artwork that captures the powerful healing effects of nature through March 31 at the Nancy A. Fox Gallery in the Assarian Cancer Center 47601 Grand River, Novi. For more information call (248) 465 5455.

Volunteers wanted

The Beaumont Hospice Volunteer Program is seeking volunteers (especially in Farmington, Farmington Hills, Clarkston and Novi) to provide companionship and visiting to patients residing in homes, nursing homes or assisted living. For more information call Dan Rouan at (248) 743 9405.

Caregiver support group

Meets regularly the second Thursday of the month at The Village of Redford 17383 Garfield. Respite services provided for free during the session. For more information call Linda Peak at (313) 843 2550 or the Redford Senior Department at (313) 387 2788.

Grief support group

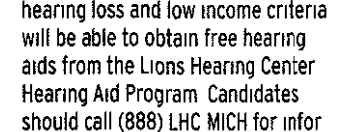
For any adult who has experienced a loss, sessions began 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Jan. 17 and continue to March 7 at the Northville District Library 212 W. Cady. No charge but donations appreciated. Advance registration. Call (248) 348 4980.

Yoga classes

Began in January at the Assarian Cancer Center in Novi and Providence Hospital in Southfield. Times are 12:30-1:15 p.m. Monday, Novi and 5:30-6:30 p.m. Southfield. 6-7 p.m. Wednesday, Novi. 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday, Southfield. and 12:30-1 p.m. Friday, Novi. Presented by the Providence Center for the Healing Arts. Call (248) 465 5455.

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- Meet with a job counselor: This will not only give you another set of eyes to look for jobs, your counselor also can give you advice on your resume and cover letter.
- Keep it confidential

Don't use your work e-mail account, phone or other office equipment to look for jobs. Instead, take your laptop to a coffee shop or library and apply for jobs during your lunch hour. This also is a good time to return prospective employers' phone calls.

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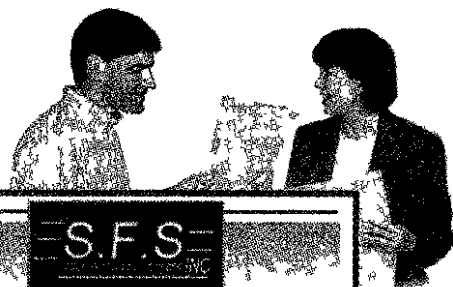
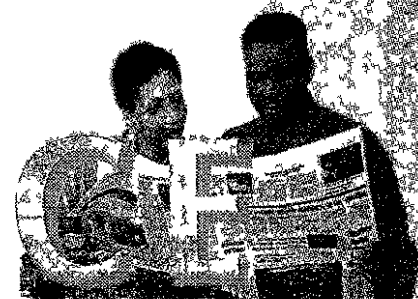
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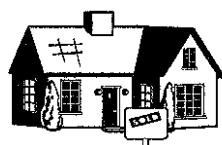
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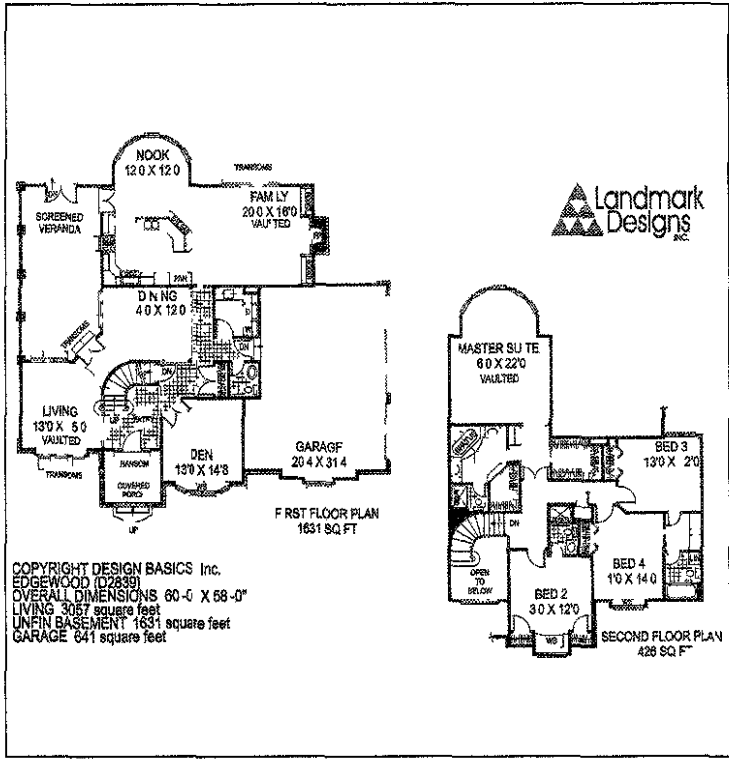
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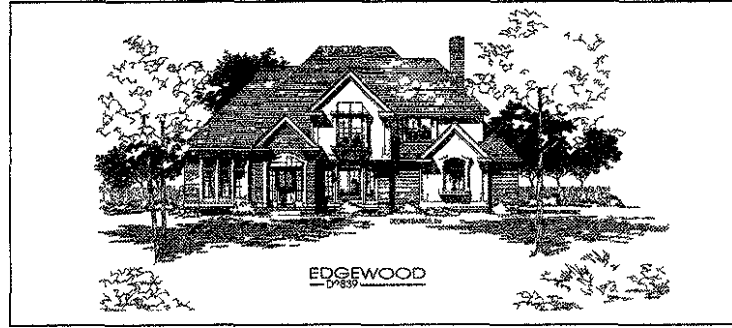
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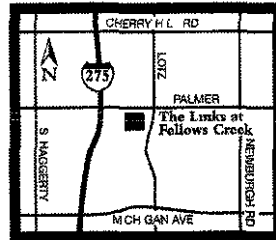
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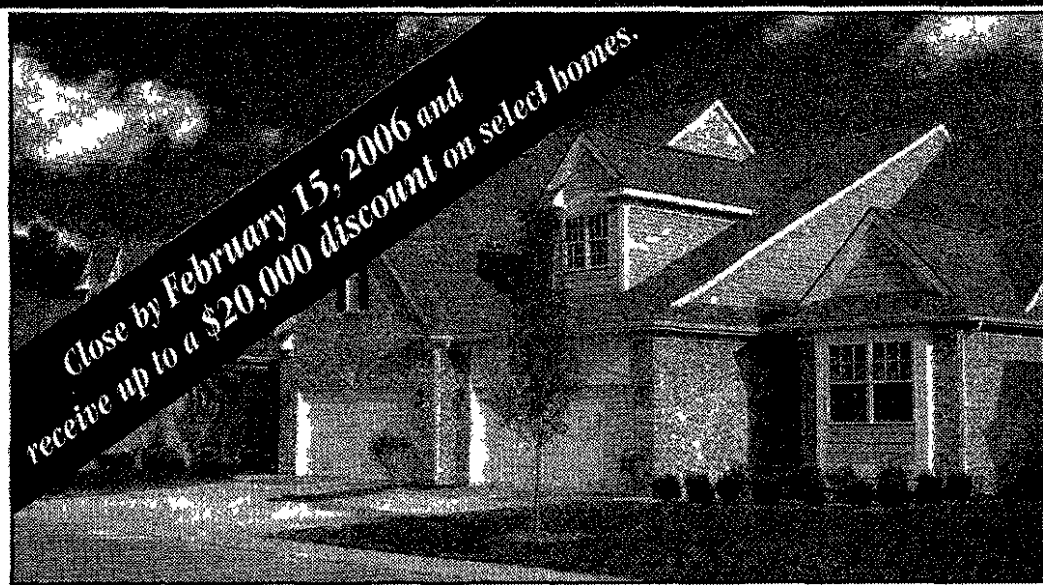
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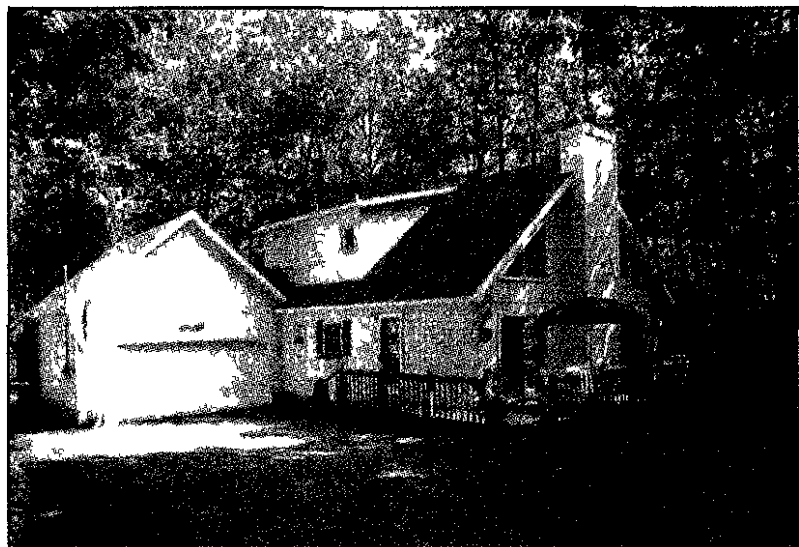
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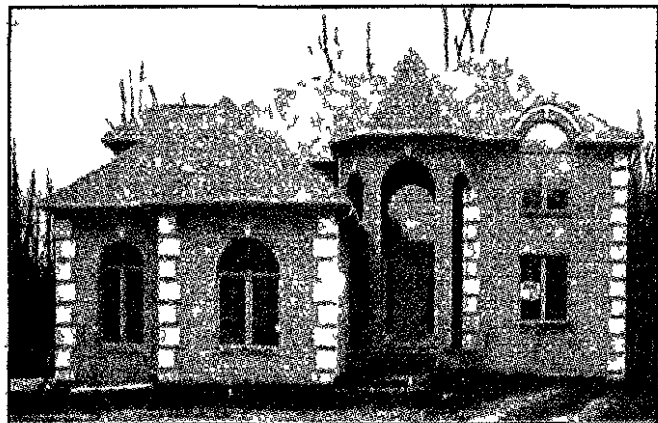
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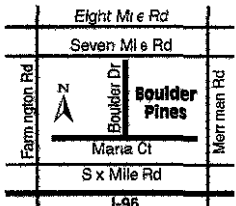
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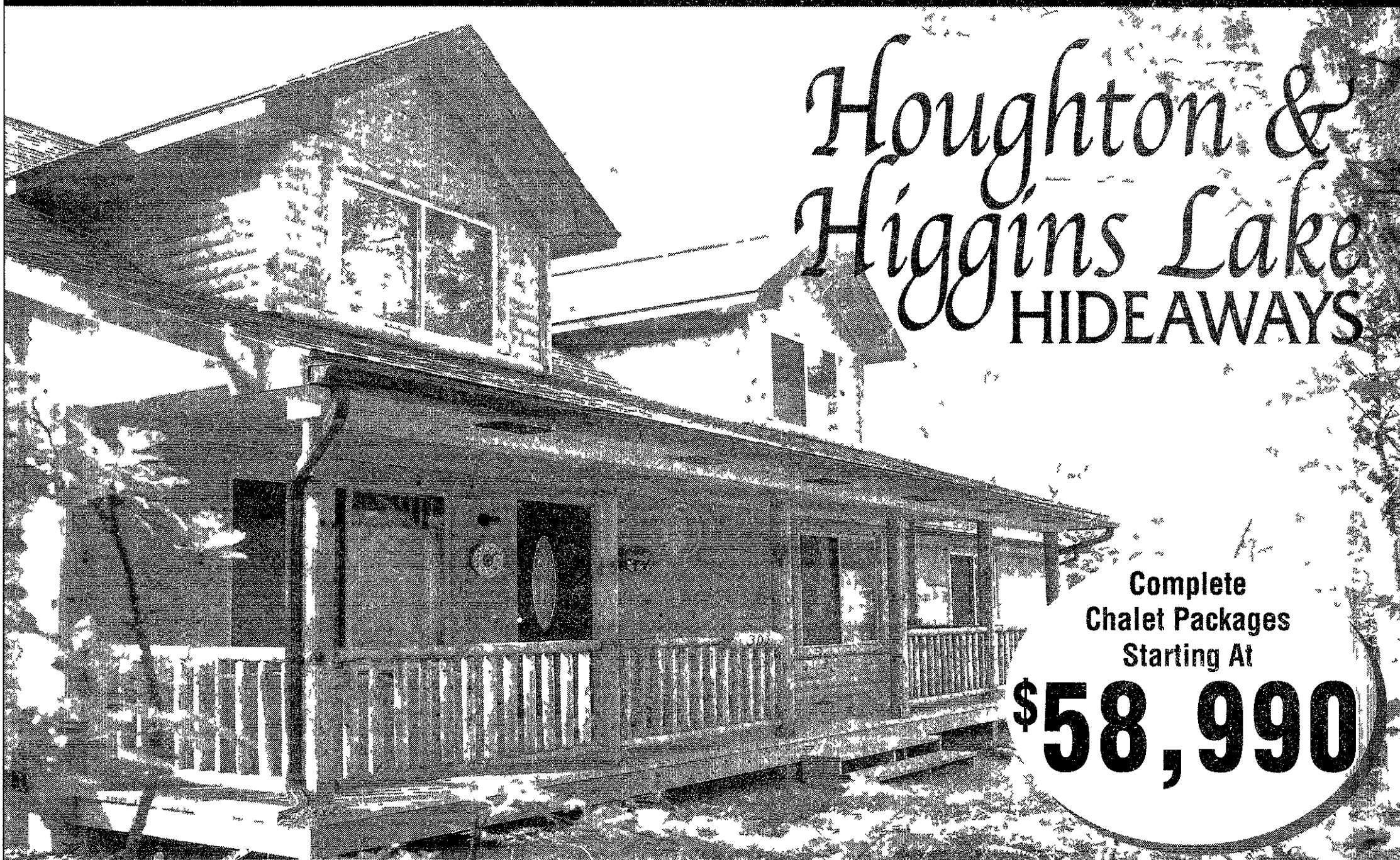
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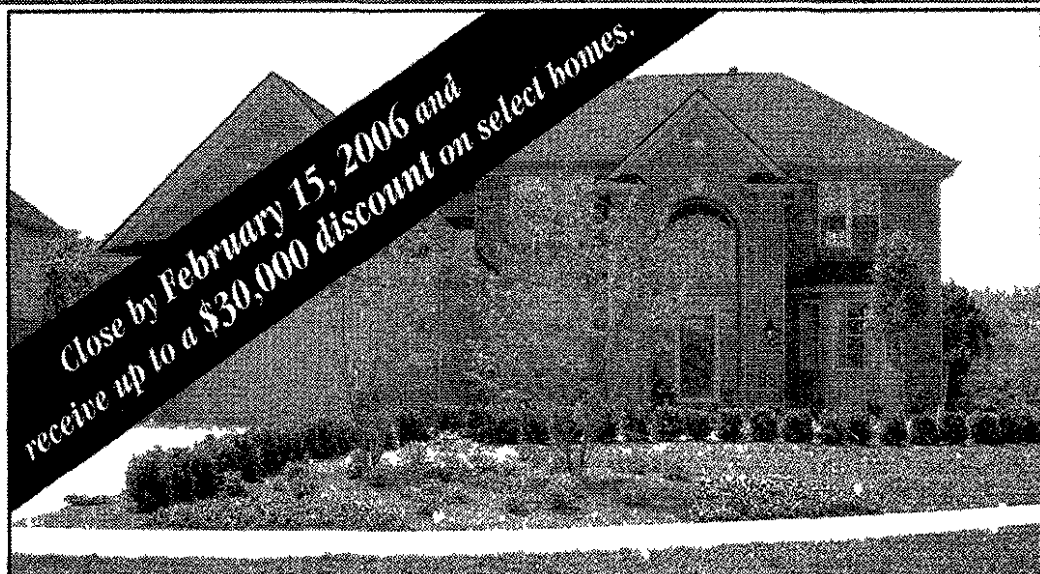
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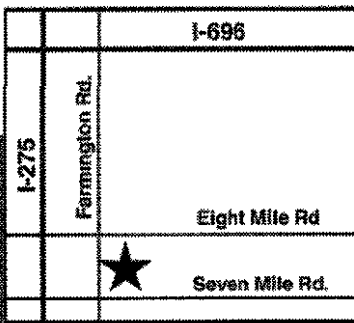
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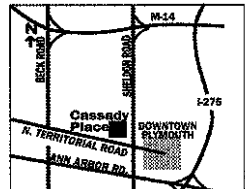
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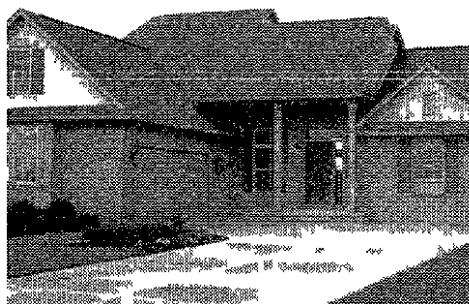
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Shopping around: Look for what's important when buying a house

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■ **The structure** Obviously, if the structure is not sound that would be a good reason to consider not buying a house.
 ■ **The location** That is something that is not easily changed. It's hard to pick a house up and move it to a dif-

ferent location.
 ■ **The foundation** This could be very expensive to fix.
 ■ **The square footage** Although additions can be added they are often costly.
 ■ **The roof, furnace, hot water heater, or anything else** that would be costly to fix if something went wrong.
 There are some areas that are not as important when purchasing a house, such as:
 ■ **Dishes in the sink** The dishes should be gone by the time you occupy the house.

■ **Clutter in the house** That too will be gone.
 ■ **Rooms that are dusty** Dust can be swept away.
 Buying a house is a very important step. It is often your biggest investment. There is a lot of emotion that takes place when buying a house. After all, it will be your new home.
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deter you from buying the house that you want.
 I often tell sellers that it doesn't matter whether it's logical or not that the house should be kept immaculate for showings. Buyers will normally decide whether they like it or not pretty early on in the process.
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Flagstar Bank Home Lending is offering a free First Time Homebuyer Seminar from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at Flagstar Bank Corporate Headquarters Auditorium, 5151 Corporate Drive (just off Long Lake, west of Crooks), Troy. Seating is limited. To reserve a space, call Michelle Ulman, (248) 723-6432, Ext. 247.

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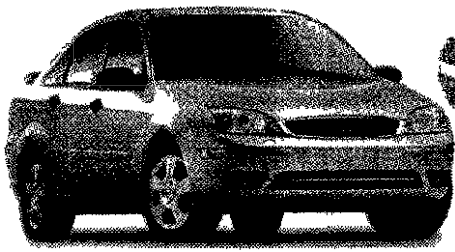
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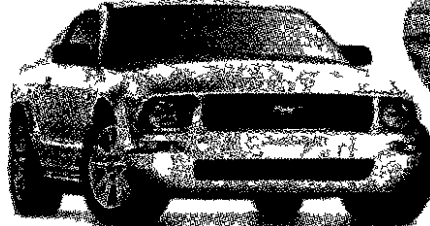


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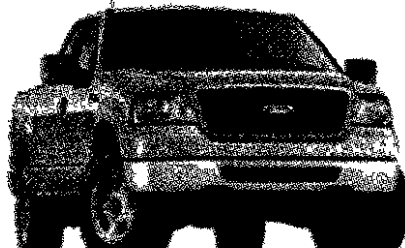


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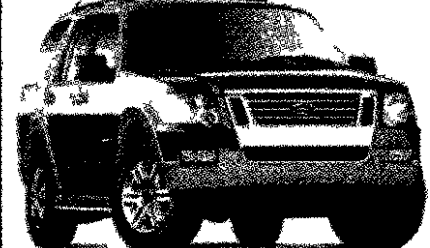


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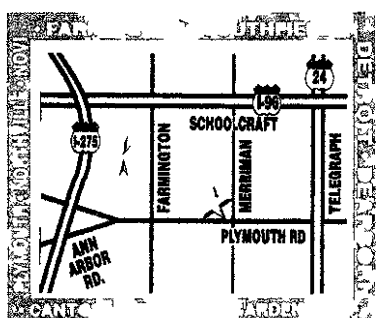
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When you're in the market for a car that carries the moniker "high performance" do you look at a Volvo? Until recently, probably not. It's more likely that when you think of Volvo, you think of safety and high resale value. Volvo, I'm sure, is happy to be known for those two things, now the company wants you to think of it when you're looking for high performance cars. The 2006 S60 R is one of the cars Volvo wants you to put on your high performance "must-see" list.

The S60 R was redesigned for the 2005 model year and, while you can still tell it's a Volvo, it's sharper and better-looking than previous models. The classic Volvo grille is still upfront, and the standard Xenon high-intensity headlamps are rectangular with rounded corners, they come with washers and automatic level control. Heated outside mirrors, fog lamps, 17-inch alloy wheels, and a rear spoiler are also part of the package. Volvo has put a powerful engine inside this station wagon. It's a 2.5-liter five-cylinder DOHC turbo with twin intercoolers. It's rated at 300 hp and 295 lb-ft of torque. It's mated with a six-speed manual transmission and a six-speed automatic with "autostick" is available as an option. The automatic shifts smoothly and the car gets off the line quickly. With the manual, you can go 0-60 in 5.4 seconds - 6.4 with the automatic. It takes premium fuel and is rated at 18/25 mpg.

The S60 R comes with all-wheel drive and with what Volvo calls Instant Traction. It's fitted with a computer-controlled Haldex AWD system that gives you up to 50 percent more torque to the rear axle when needed. While it's nice to have AWD when you need it, the ride and handling suffer a bit, and making a U-turn is a challenge. The front suspension system features MacPherson struts with asymmetri-



2006 Volvo S60 R. Vehicle class: Sedan. Where built: Ghent, Belgium. EPA: 18/25. Base price: \$37,920. Price as tested: \$43,735

cally mounted coil springs, electronically controlled hydraulic shocks and stabilizer bar. In the rear, it's a multi-link independent system with coil springs, electronically controlled hydraulic shocks, and stabilizer bar. Power-assisted, speed-sensitive rack-and-pinion power steering and traction control are standard. Ride and handling are good - not great, and there are three different suspension settings, none of which made a huge difference that I could feel. There's a bit too much road feel for me, and, as I mentioned earlier, the wide turning circle makes U-turns a challenge (watch out for the curb).

Inside is where the S60 R really shines. It's roomy, comfortable and full of standard equipment. The standard heated eight-way power adjustable leather seats come with lumbar support and are easy to adjust to a comfortable position. There's plenty of room for passengers and cargo, the rear seats are 60/40 fold down with a pass-thru to the trunk. The leather-wrapped steering wheel is adjustable, as well.

Dual zone climate control is standard, as are cruise control, power windows, locks and mirrors, rear defroster, trip computer, and cupholders in both front and rear.

The standard audio system in the S60 R is an AM/FM/CD system with 100 watt amplifier and six speakers. You can upgrade to a six-CD system with Dolby Pro-Logic sound and 350 watts of power. It sounds great but is poorly laid out, for US customers,

at least. When you see a knob on the far right, you expect to use it to tune the radio, right? Not with Volvo, that knob is used to change from AM to FM to CD. To tune, you have to push an unlabeled button on the upper right. On the plus side, Volvo also offers an iPod attachment system. You plug your iPod into the cable and it charges the iPod and plays it through the audio system. Unfortunately, there's no iPod display screen built in and your iPod's screen won't display while it's plugged in. You have to remember what number playlist you're looking to play and select it from the radio unit. A little awkward, but it's a nice addition for iPod owners. A navigation system is also available.

As you would expect with Volvo's safety reputation, the S60 R has a lot of safety features. Inflatable side curtains are standard, as are a rear fog light, whiplash protection seating system, and side impact airbags.

The 2006 Volvo S60 R starts at a shade under \$38,000. Add the upgraded audio system (which comes with a moon roof, for some reason), automatic transmission, metallic paint and optional 18-inch wheels and you're up to almost \$44,000.

There's a lot to like in Volvo's version of a high-performance sedan, enough so that you might think of that company the next time you're looking for high performance.

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