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## Ryan gets high grades

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth-Canton Schools Superintendent Jim Ryan is getting high marks for accomplishments in the first half of the school year.

The mid-year evaluation by the Board of Education's superintendent's evaluation subcommittee indicates the district is moving forward with the goals the board set for Ryan and his staff for the 2005-06 school year.



Ryan

'Most of all his goals are on track,' said board trustee Judy Mardigan, a member of the superintendent's evaluation committee. "The only area we recognize is delayed is the master plan, but that's mostly because of the bond work we've been doing. That will be addressed in the second half of the year."

Among the areas the board feels Ryan is on target:

- Excellent progress on measuring student success
- The district is well positioned to meet changes in state requirements for high school graduation
- Compliments to administration for on time and under budget performance on the 1999 and 2004 bonds

Goals on which the board would like to see a stronger performance include:

- Implementing a ticket process for high school football games
- Focusing on development efforts for large gifts and grants
- Additional progress on a alumni relations program

"I think the board is getting better at defining a specific set of goals that gets us toward student achievement, and that's our ultimate goal," said Mardigan.

As for Ryan, his work with the board and the public has not gone unnoticed.

"We feel he's a very good leader," said trustee Tom Wysocki. "Dr. Ryan is very reliable and easy to work with. There couldn't be a better face for the district."

The Board of Education's final evaluation final evaluation of Ryan will be delivered in May.



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ERSA Group founder/CEO Eric Sadek (left) and his management team - Justin Meyers, LaWanda Smith, Tim Nolan and Geoff Anderson - have signed a deal with The Palace of Auburn Hills to name a new, high-end club after the Plymouth Township company.

## IT firm sinks deal with Palace Plymouth company gets naming rights to new club

BY BRAD KADRICH  
STAFF WRITER

When the management team at Plymouth-based IT firm ERSA Group went looking for a way to entertain clients, they initially investigated season ticket packages for the Detroit Pistons at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

But when Palace officials met with the team from ERSA, a bigger idea began brewing. Now, the sides have struck a sponsorship deal assigning corporate naming rights to a 17,000-square-foot club for high-end season ticket holders.

While financial details weren't released, the club is expected to be the highlight of a \$20 million renovation of the Palace's north entrance. Construction on the club, located on the second level of the north atrium, is expected to be complete by April.

"When they mentioned it, I was interested, but I figured the numbers would be way out of our ballpark," ERSA founder/CEO Eric Sadek said. "Michigan is headed more toward the IT industry, and (the Palace) wanted an IT company in there."

That's right up ERSA's alley. The group was formed in 1999 and offers a full line of IT services, including network infrastructure systems, application development and managed services. Palace Sports and Entertainment also welcomed ERSA Group as their official systems integrator.

Initial plans have been made to showcase interactive technologies in the club that will be developed by ERSA



Eric Sadek, who founded ERSA Group in 1999, said the deal with The Palace gives ERSA great visibility in the Detroit market.

Group. They will also be implementing the network infrastructure for the ERSA Club, expected to be completed in time for the NBA playoffs.

Tom Wilson, president and CEO of Palace Sports and Entertainment, said he found it valuable to add the insight of ERSA Group to their plans for the club.

"ERSA Group is one of those up and coming companies based here in Michigan," Wilson said. "When we were discussing this partnership, ERSA challenged us to

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## Financial issues dominate city goals

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Plymouth city commissioners will be tackling 2006 goals that - to no one's surprise - are centered on financial issues for a budget that annually is harder to balance.

"None of them individually are make or break for the city," said Mayor Dan Dwyer, "but, in my opinion, Bathey and joint services are the two biggest."

Dwyer is referring to what are considered the two top goals on the list: working toward additional joint service contracts and renewing and/or renegotiating current contracts, with a special emphasis on dispatch and fire agreements, and selling the 16-acre property on Mill Street between Ann Arbor Trail and Plymouth Road, where the former Bathey Corporation plant once stood.

The city had a deal to sell it for \$4.5 million, however the Southfield developer planning 180 home sites recently backed out of the deal.

"Bathey is the biggest development we've seen in decades, and would bring new life and revenue into town," said Dwyer. "It's city-owned property, and we're not getting anything out of it."

"Fire and dispatch are the two departments that haven't been cut in our budget," added Dwyer. "I'm not particularly looking to cut them, but I do want to pay less for them with any third party we can find."

City officials are reportedly close to a deal with Northville Township to supply police dispatch services, which are currently handled by Plymouth Township. Negotiations with Plymouth Township on the current fire contract have been put on the back burner, for the time being.

Newly elected Commissioner Gerry Sabatini said it all comes down to justifying city expenditures.

"The central theme of the goals center around the budget, so we have to continue to study the expenditures and justify costs, and look for more efficient ways to operate our services for citizens," Sabatini said. "This year's goals are similar to last year's and center around the budget, which shows the budget is still a critical issue and will continue to be a critical issue."

Other goals on the commission's list include development of a plan for road projects since current bond proceeds will be depleted after this year, reviewing service fees, and discussions with the planning commission on downtown parking, "big foot" homes in residential areas and downtown building heights.

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## Fear the 'fro

Plymouth Wildcat fan Tim Kwiczen looks like a refugee from the 1970s, cheering for his basketball team. The Wildcats defeated cross-campus rivals, the Salem Rocks, 61-50 Tuesday in a Western Lakes Activities Association contest. For the full story on the game, please turn to Sports, page C1.

## Station beats drum for best local bands

BY TONY BRUSCATO  
STAFF WRITER

Matthew Trevarthen of Canton Township says he's on track to make his first million.

Trevarthen, 21, and Mario Villanueva, 20 - both Plymouth-Canton Schools graduates - have their own hip-hop band, VeRb. And the Canton Township duo is confident someday they'll sign with a major record label and tour the U.S. in venues such as The Palace of Auburn Hills.

"It's not a matter if we're going to make it, but when we're going to make it," Trevarthen said. "You've always got to stay on the grind, and it takes a lot of energy out of you. I just want to make a living off what I love to do."

The two are hopeful they'll make the cut as radio station WSDP-FM (88.1) The Escape (owned and operated by Plymouth Canton

Schools) holds 'Out of the Box: The Search for Plymouth-Canton's Best Unsigned Band' Friday, March 31, at the Summit on the Park in Canton.

Trevarthen and Villanueva, who started their music career after getting rave reviews from a middle school talent show, stay 'on the grind' by performing throughout metro Detroit, in places like Plymouth, Canton, Redford, Detroit and Ann Arbor.

"I went to a music conference and they said we should be known throughout the region, first, before going to California," Trevarthen said. "We've grown a fan base here."

And that's what Jeff Robinson of Third Monk Records in Plymouth recommends during his consultations with budding music superstars.

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**Breakfast help**

Organizers of the annual Staff Appreciation Breakfast at Salem, Canton and Plymouth high schools are looking for help for the breakfasts, scheduled at the respective schools 6 a.m. Thursday, March 30

Officials are seeking assistance with donations of breakfast foods (egg casseroles, potato dishes, baked items, fruit bowls, etc.) and drinks (water, juice) or monetary donations to help purchase whatever the committee doesn't receive

They're also looking for people to help set up the day before, after school and then the morning of the breakfast to help serve the food

Anyone willing to help in any of these areas can contact Suzanne Zabowski (Salem High School) at [sumque7@aol.com](mailto:sumque7@aol.com), Maryanne Turner (Canton High School), [mdt89@comcast.net](mailto:mdt89@comcast.net), or Mary Schultz (Plymouth High School), [trixi1971@hotmail.com](mailto:trixi1971@hotmail.com)

**No trash delay**

Plymouth Township officials announced this week there will be no delay in trash pickup due to Monday's Presidents Day Holiday

Residents should have items to the curb by 7 a.m. on their regularly scheduled collection day

Direct questions to the solid waste department, (734) 453-8131, Ext. 33

**Scholarship help**

Parents and students in the Plymouth-Canton school district no longer have to physically visit their high school's counseling office for one of the most time-intensive processes for high school seniors: Identifying and applying for scholarships to help fund their college education

District officials have now put that information on the district's Web site. Families can now visit the site, which currently lists 65 scholarships, any time of the day or night at <http://web.pccs.k12.mi.us/pcep/pages/scholarshipsSmartURL.htm>

**Merit scholars**

Eleven students from the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park (P-CEP) were named National Merit Scholarship Program Finalists this week.

The students — Canton High School seniors Julie Constantine and Nivedhitha Subramanian, Plymouth High School seniors Adam Davis, Lyan Lu and Xiwen Wang and Salem High School seniors Myron Chang, Yiyun Lu, Vikram Raghunathan, Trevor Sponteller, Teresa Wang and Stacy Yee — rank in the top 1 percent of their peers across the nation

The National Merit Scholarship Program has named approximately 15,000 academically talented high school seniors as finalists. These seniors now have an opportunity to advance in the competition for 8,200 Merit Scholarship awards (about \$32 million) to be offered next month. Students entered the National Merit and Achievement competitions by taking the 2004 PSAT/NMSQT

Students must fulfill several requirements to become a Finalist—record of very high academic performance in college prep course work, SAT scores that confirm the PSAT/NMSQT performance, detailed scholarship information about extracurricular activities and leadership positions, self-descriptive essays, and full endorsement of the high school principal

**Patterson hours**



**Tax time**

Tax filing assistance is available at the Plymouth District Library in a variety of different ways, as Plymouth resident Barbara Harris recently discovered. From now until April 15, the library will provide a designated computer station for tax purposes only. Patrons can download and print tax forms and seek assistance through the IRS website. They may also file electronically, although no commercial software such as TurboTax, is provided. Use of the computer will be on a first-come first-served basis. Individuals can find a large supply of federal and state tax forms available on the Library's main level. The American Association of Retired Persons is again offering free tax preparation for Plymouth seniors on Wednesdays, through April 12, 2006. Appointments are necessary and can be made through the Plymouth Community Council on Aging at 734-453-1234, ext. 236. Homebound seniors can also arrange a home appointment for tax preparation by calling the Council office. For more information on these services, contact the Library's Reference Desk at (734) 453-0750, ext. 221.

Senator Bruce Patterson's District Representative, Sue Trussell, conducts office hours for all constituents of State Senate District Seven in the Canton Public Library 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 21.

The Canton Public Library is at 1200 S. Canton Center. For more information, call the library, (734) 397-0999, or Patterson's Lansing office, (866) 262-7307 or (517) 373-7350.

**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 Rd., 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 Cafe 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](mailto: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 5 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. - 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.

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](mailto: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.

**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.

**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.

**Physical Therapy UPDATE**  
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Repetitive and overzealous overarm throwing motions and tennis serves are the type of actions that can lead to rotator cuff injury. The rotator cuff is composed of the group of deep muscles that hold the arm in the socket. To repair the problem many people turn to surgery. However, according to a recent Danish study, 12 weeks of physical therapy involving shoulder strengthening and stretching exercises may work just as well. When compared to patients who underwent surgery to repair the rotator cuffs, the physical therapy patients regained the same range of motion and reported less pain. On the basis of this finding, people with rotator cuff injuries may want to try six months of physical therapy before undergoing surgery.

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# Mock legislative conference introduces kids to politics

BY CAROL MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

After spending two days in caucus, the legislators grabbed their foam cups of coffee and talking points and headed to the floor to debate the merits and flaws of a house bill which would ban stem cell research in Michigan. If not for the absence of commotion and cacophony, it would be hard to tell the difference between their legislature and the House floor in Lansing.

The legislators weren't elected representatives at all - they were students who participated in a "mock legislature" exercise at Plymouth Christian Academy in Canton. Students from PCA and Agape Christian Academy spent three school days getting some hands-on lessons about the political process as part of PCA's first Student Statesmanship Institute, a Biblical leadership training program established by the Foundation for Traditional Values.

"I've always had a mock legislature in my government classes," said PCA government teacher Kelly Gillette, who brought the on-site program to the school. "But it was smaller, so it didn't always feel as authentic to the students as this does."

In order to get enough students to participate - 44 in total - he invited home schooled students and the students from Agape.

On Friday's legislative agenda were six items, selected to be of interest to the students because of their political content - like the stem cell research ban, a Constitutional amendment to define marriage, and a bill that would limit the number of drivers teenagers can have in the car while they're behind the wheel.

For two days, the students



Representative Justine Cane addresses the mock legislature on a proposed bill. Students from Plymouth Christian Academy and Agape Christian Academy took part in the mock legislature.

were visited by lobbyists - real professional lobbyists, that is - and by local officials, attorneys, and county officials, who gave them some insiders' looks at the political process.

By the time they got to the "House floor," in front of visitors and parents, they were well aware of their assigned party's arguments, and they knew how they were supposed to vote. As part of the program, the group was broken up into caucuses - not Democrat or Republican, but "red" for the more conservative party and "blue" for the more liberal party.

Each caucus researched and developed arguments on each of the issues, and before they did, a word of warning went out to visitors and parents who were present to watch the proceedings.

"If you hear your boy or girl spouting off something that you don't necessarily believe in, don't be alarmed," said



Representatives Ashley Boebinger and Coim Lampson listen to the debate.

James Muffett, SSI president. "They haven't been brainwashed. He added that the students were simply role playing in order to present opposing views.

The stem cell ban failed, even though it received more

than half the votes. Just as in real life, a two-thirds majority was required in order to pass the Constitutional amendments.

That was by far the best part of all of this, and the thing that really sold me on the program - the hands-on nature of it, Gillette said.

Gillette has seen in some of his students a spark that makes him believe that they could as adults pursue political careers.

But there are some things that must be acted out, especially at conservative Christian schools. When asked if there were any future real-life "blue" voters in the legislature, Gillette paused for a thoughtful moment before shaking his head.

"No," he said. "But I think there are quite a few centrists."

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# BenchART auction raises \$16,000

They were the topic of conversation all summer long, and after a hugely successful auction in the fall, the benches from the BenchART plymouth art display will now be known not just for their artistic contribution, but for pulling in more than \$16,000 for the community.

Funds from the live and silent auction of 34 custom-painted park benches in September were officially presented this week to the City and Township of Plymouth and The Plymouth Community Arts Council.

BenchART plymouth, co-sponsored by Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors and The Plymouth Community Arts Council, raised a total of \$16,200 from the sale of the benches, which were painted by local artists who volunteered their talent.

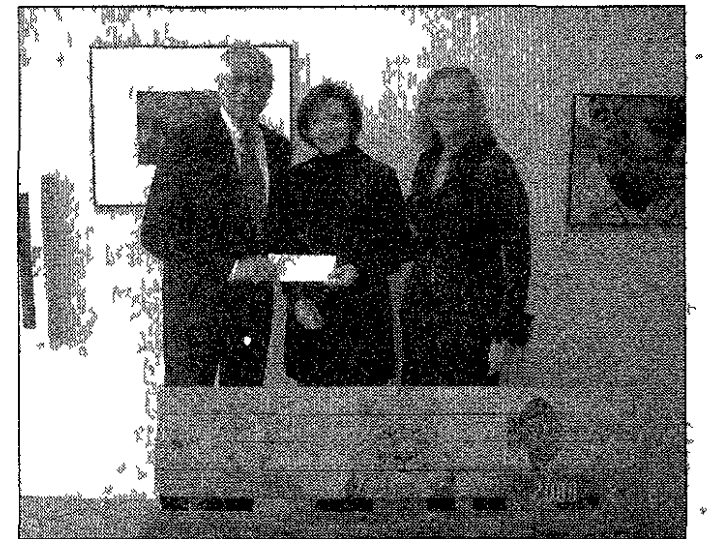
Funds were distributed among the PCAC (\$8,100), the City of Plymouth (\$4,050) and the Plymouth

Township (\$4,050). The city and township will use their portions for parks and recreation enhancements.

"This project was a success on so many levels," said Plymouth Community Arts Council Executive Director Stella Greene. "The various local and regional artists, the generous sponsorships by local businesses, and all of the volunteers from Plymouth Newcomers and the PCAC came together to bring our community a truly cutting-edge public art display."

"Perhaps more importantly, the community will continue to enjoy long-term benefits through beautification to our parks and recreation areas, as well as services offered by us here at the Arts Council," Greene added.

All of the sponsors and artists that participated in BenchART plymouth, as well as pictures of the benches, are included on the project Web site [www.arts-culturelink.com/BenchART](http://www.arts-culturelink.com/BenchART).



Diane Harrison of the Plymouth Community Arts Council (right) and Plymouth Township Supervisor Richard Reaume accept donations raised in the BenchART program from Sheila Paton of Plymouth Newcomers & Neighbors. The City of Plymouth also benefitted from the program.

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- Monday, Feb 13 — Vehicle accidents at Ridge and North Territorial and at Sheldon and M 14 residential rescue runs on Blunk, on Northville Road and on Haggerty, commercial rescue runs on Ann Arbor Road, industrial rescue runs on Sheldon and on Plymouth Oaks
- Sunday, Feb 12 — Residential rescue run on Sheldon, vehicle accident at Haggerty and Gilbert
- Saturday, Feb 11 — Residential rescue runs on Haggerty on Northern, on

- Woodgrove and on Eastside, vehicle accident on eastbound M 14 west of Haggerty, rescue run to a public building/school on North Territorial, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road
- Friday, Feb 10 — Special run on Plymouth Road, residential rescue runs on Glenmore, on Haggerty on Tavistock, on Baywood, on Newporte and on Dewey, commercial rescue run on Ann Arbor Road
- Thursday, Feb 9 — Residential rescue runs on Greenbrook, on Jackson, on Micol, on LaFonde Court and on Filmore, commercial rescue run on 5 Mile, mutual aid-given rescue run on 5 Mile, carbon monoxide detector run on Orangelawn, rescue run on Penn
- Wednesday, Feb 8 — Residential rescue runs on JoAnn and on Liberty, fire on Haggerty

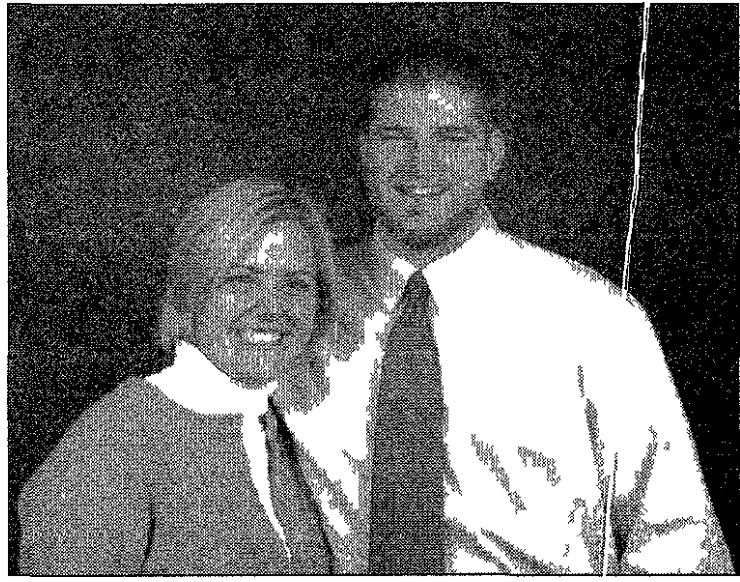
# Church turns to new youth pastor

Officials at Lake Pointe Bible Church announced the arrival of Kevin Kilgore as Youth Pastor for all middle and high school teens

Kilgore attended Word of Life Bible Institute in Schroom Lake, N.Y., and Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., before receiving his bachelor of arts degree in youth ministry from William Tyndale College. He is currently pursuing a Masters of Divinity from Michigan Theological Seminary

Since 2002, he has served as youth pastor of Grosse Pointe Baptist Church, where he recruited adult volunteer leaders, developed teen ministry teams, led short-term missions trips to Mexico and increased teen attendance significantly

"Because we saw how open and friendly the church members were when we first visited, my wife and I are eager to become part of the Lake Pointe family," Kilgore said. "I am excited to begin to develop



Kevin Kilgore, with his wife Amy, is the new youth pastor at Lake Pointe Bible Church in Plymouth Township

relationships with the teens and build and grow the youth ministry"

Kilgore and his wife, Amy, said they're looking forward to working in tandem on new and expanded programs for the youth at Lake Pointe. Amy

Kilgore is a counselor at Novi High School, has been involved with Young Life Clubs for six years and has also served as Director of High School ministries at an Ann Arbor church. Pastor Dean Johnson said

"In Kevin, we're getting an affable young man with a quality education and a track record of successful youth ministry," Pastor Dean Johnson said. "I couldn't be more pleased"

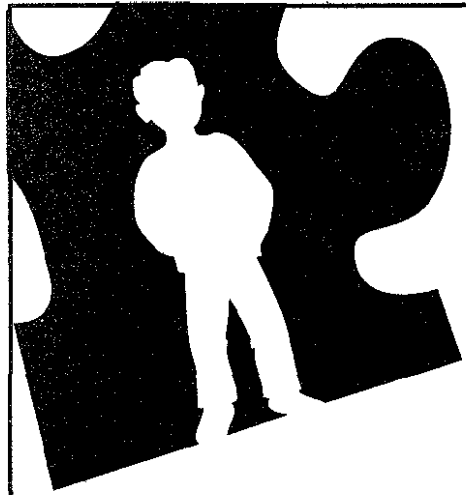
Teens in the church said they're looking forward to working with Kilgore

"I think Kevin Kilgore will be someone who works well with us teens," said Peter Bartlett, a teen in the Lake Pointe Youth Group. "It's important he relate to the parents, too, so they have confidence"

Julie Gibson, 15, a ninth grader, said she is "looking forward to the new youth group leader because I am eager to hear what he has to teach us about the Lord and to have him help me in my relationship with God"

Kilgore began his duties Feb 6. Lake Pointe Bible Church is a non-denominational, Bible-teaching church located at 42150 Schoolcraft in Plymouth

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Army Spec. **Lukasz Kokoszka** has returned to Fort Stewart, Ga., after being deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The soldier is a member of Task Force 4th-64th Armor Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division

Operation Iraqi Freedom is the official name given to military operations involving members of the U.S. armed

forces and coalition forces participating in efforts to free and secure Iraq. Mission objectives focus on force protection, peacekeeping, stabilization, security and counter-insurgency operations as the Iraqi transitional governing bodies assume full sovereign powers to govern the peoples of Iraq

Members from all branches of the U.S. military and multinational forces are also assisting in rebuilding Iraq's economic and governmental

infrastructure, and training and preparing Iraqi military and security forces to assume full authority and responsibility in defending and preserving Iraq's sovereignty and independence as a democracy

Kokoszka is a systems maintainer with two years of military service. He is the son of Wieslaw B and Iwona O Kokoszka of Plymouth. The specialist is a 2003 graduate of Salem High School

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ON CAMPUS

Murray State

Jane DeWitt of Plymouth was among some 1,927 undergraduate and post-baccalaureate students at Murray State University to make the Dean's List for the Fall 2005 semester. Students must achieve a grade point average ranging from 3.5 to a perfect 4.0 to be eligible for Dean's List status.

Albion College

Several local students have been named to the Albion College Dean's List for the fall 2005 semester. Students named to the Dean's List must achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above at the completion of the semester. This GPA must be based on at least three units in graded courses and a minimum of four units completed.

Matthew Baciak is a first-year student at Albion College and is a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service. He is the son of Jan and Ilona Baciak of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

Candace Bean is a sophomore majoring in German and minoring in women's studies. She is the daughter of Michael Bean of Detroit and Cathy Crowley of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

Anthony Bosco is a first-year student at Albion College. He is the son of Donald and Gina Bosco of Plymouth and a graduate of Catholic Central High School.

William Fitzsimmons is a first-year student at Albion College. He is the son of Joseph Jr. and Julie Fitzsimmons of Canton and a graduate of Canton High School.

Brandon Hill is a junior majoring in biology and minoring in French. He is the son of James and Meri Lyn Hill of Plymouth and a graduate of Salem High School.

Ryan Johnson is a junior majoring in economics and management and minoring in history. He is the son of Carlton and Phyllis Johnson of Plymouth and a graduate of University of Detroit Jesuit High School.

Sarah Jose is a first-year student at Albion College and is a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Richard and Deborah Jose of Canton and a graduate of Salem High School.

Katherine Mills is a sophomore at Albion College. She is the daughter of James and Susan Mills of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

Carnie Oleszkowicz is a sophomore at Albion College. She is the daughter of Mark

and Cynthia Oleszkowicz of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School. Sarah Paciocco is a junior majoring in economics and management and speech communication. She is the daughter of Tarcisio and Jennifer Paciocco of Plymouth and a graduate of Canton High School.

Danielle Shepard is a junior majoring in speech education and completing the elementary education program. She is the daughter of Chuck and Carol Shepard of Plymouth and a graduate of

Canton High School. Katherine Smith is a senior majoring in political science and speech communication and is a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service. She is the daughter of Tonya Smith of Canton and a graduate of Salem High School.

Frat leader. A local student's leadership qualities were recently recognized by his peers, who elected him one of the 2006 leaders of their Albion College Greek fraternity.

Ryan Johnson has been elected president for Delta Sigma Phi fraternity. Johnson is a junior majoring in economics and management and minoring in history. He is the son of Carlton and Phyllis Johnson of Plymouth and a graduate of University of Detroit Jesuit High School. The entire fraternity chooses its leaders from among its most dedicated and responsible members, said Samuel Centellas, director of Greek Life at Albion College. Holding a leadership position is an honor for any member.

Lilian 'Patricia' Bassett Bassett 90 of Plymouth died Feb 12. Danny Bogush Bogush 80 of Troy died Jan 27. Philip Thomas Calder Jr Calder 42 of York Pa died Feb 10. Helen M DeSmet DeSmet 84 died Feb 11. Jason William Gamble Gamble 28 of Wayne died Jan 9. Melinda Hligendorf Hligendorf 85 of Austin Texas for

merly of Rochester died Feb 9. Ronald Dean Roberts Roberts 74 of Gold Canyon Ariz for merly of Farmington and Livonia died Nov 23 2005. Francis William Rockwell II Rockwell 82 of Bloomfield Township died Jan 11. Kay E Walsh Walsh 69 died Feb 8. Complete paid obituaries can be found inside today's newspaper in Passages on page C8.

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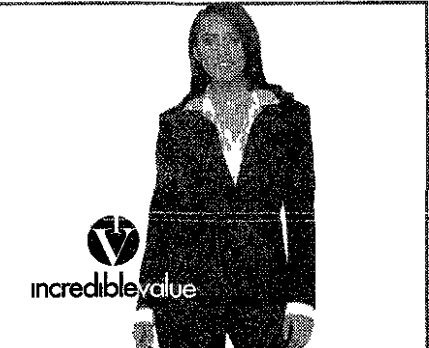
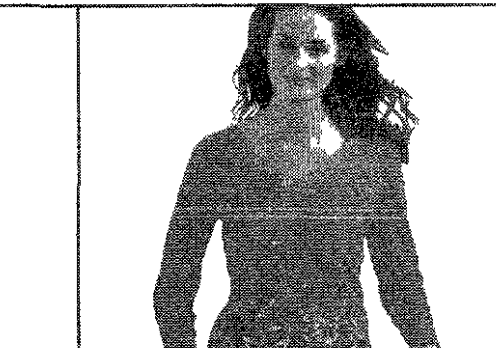
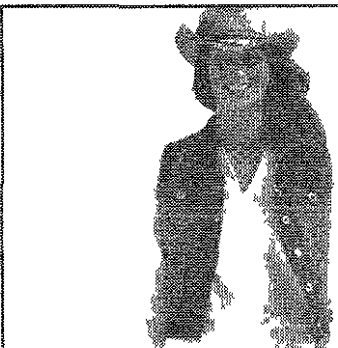
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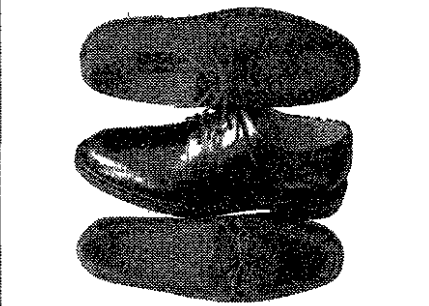
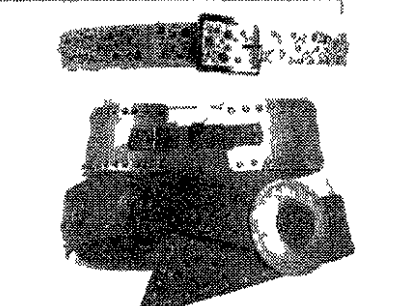
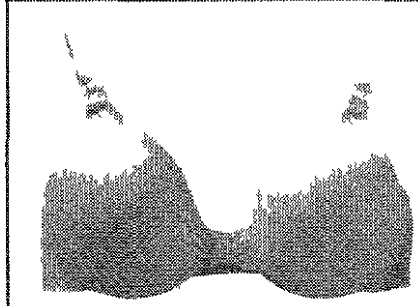


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# Dinner dance to raise money for people with developmental disabilities

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN  
STAFF WRITER

Christine Lerchen believes her daughter Elizabeth might not be moving into her own condominium if not for the help she received through the years from the Arc of Northwest Wayne County in Redford. The nonprofit supports people with developmental disabilities and their families by providing educational opportunities, information, and advocacy.

Fund-raisers such as the annual dinner dance Saturday, Feb. 25, at Vladimir's in Farmington make it possible for the organization to offer services and programs that allow members to develop socially and contribute to the community.

"Elizabeth is age 25 now and I don't think she would have had the fully included life she has had if not for the Arc of Northwest Wayne County," said Christine Lerchen, the Arc's executive director.

The Lektoket play sessions I started in 1988 as a volunteer were meant to draw in young families to keep the Arc strong. In the program the children enjoy toys and have a lot of fun but families get to know about

the Arc and learn about services in the community to help sons and daughters become viable members of the community, to be fully included in the fabric of life, first in school and then the community.

This year the nonprofit hopes to raise \$10,000 so staff can continue to answer phone calls and meet with families who are trying to access special education and mental health systems. Volunteer and grant or staff-based programs provide a variety of opportunities for people with developmental disabilities including training them to participate in Special Olympics. Fund-raisers such as the dinner dance raise money to pay for the rental of gyms and transportation to state games.

The Arc's Just Fun Club coordinates social activities including monthly dances for adults with developmental disabilities. Another program, After I'm Gone, helps parents plan for their adult children when they're no longer able to care for them. Still another program, guides parents through alternatives to guardianship.

Marianne DiPonio Licari's brother is involved with swim-

ming as part of the Arc's athletic program. Duane is one of the reasons she's volunteered to serve as chairperson of the dinner dance which is expected to draw around 350 people. Her family, the DiPonios, founded the annual fund-raiser that provides services to help Duane and other Arc members find jobs in the community. Currently, Duane, 40, works at Joe's Produce in Livonia.

"I feel it's such a good cause," said Licari of Livonia who'll be in attendance with all six of her brothers and sisters, and their children who volunteer to make the dinner dance and a May golf outing successful. "It's a fun evening that brings together not only members of the Arc but other people in the community, all age groups. People who help with raffles are 16 and there are others in their 70s. The dinner dance is not only for fund raising but to come out and have a good time. The band, Mass Transit, actually donates their services for the evening."

"We have great raffles for two tickets to the Pistons, a flat screen TV, an extravagant for 5 different metro Detroit area restaurants. After dinner, we'll

have a huge sweet table with items from Elite Sweets of Livonia. Others involved with the dance bake sweets for the table. It's a family affair and you can't beat the price that includes an open bar, family style dinner and pizza later in the evening.

The annual dinner dance runs from 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 25. Tickets are \$50, \$40 per person with a developmental disability, and available by calling (313) 532-7915.

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Guests of all ages enjoyed the 2005 dinner dance to benefit the Arc of Northwest Wayne County in Redford.

## Red Kettle campaign hits target

The Salvation Army reported last week that its 2005 Red Kettle Christmas Campaign raised a total of \$6,767,905 from Nov. 18, 2005, through Jan. 31, 2006, the highest amount ever raised in the annual drive by the Eastern Michigan Division. The 2005 Christmas campaign increased from the \$6,098,000 raised in 2004, an even more significant increase from the \$4.82 million raised in the 2003.

In 2005, southeast Michigan donated an additional \$3 mil-

lion to The Salvation Army for tsunami relief and \$5 million in response to Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita relief efforts.

"We are immensely grateful for the generosity our community has shown to the world and to our neighbors throughout the last year," said Major Norman Marshall, divisional commander for The Salvation Army Eastern Michigan.

With Detroit recently ranked the poorest city in the country with a 33 percent poverty rate,

demand for The Salvation Army's services continue to rise. Salvation Army officials are crediting the successful fund-raising campaign to the Detroit community's outstanding generosity in times of great need and to initiatives developed by The Salvation Army to streamline operation costs including the online volunteer drive, Ringbell.org, which filled more than 6,400 hours of bell ringing from Nov. 18 through Dec. 24.

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## Michigan must act on lobbying reform

In 2005, Michigan had 2,573 registered lobbyists or lobbyists' agents working in Lansing to prod legislators and administrators on everything from environmental protection to tax abatements. If you own a business, belong to a union, hunt, farm, teach or provide health care, you're represented by lobbyists in Lansing and Washington.

That's not necessarily a bad thing. Lobbyists provide valuable information for legislators and administrators on every conceivable issue. Sometimes they even write the initial legislation on an issue.

But as the recent news about lobbyist Jack Abramoff and former Majority Leader Tom DeLay shows, there is a line between lobbying and bribery. The Congress is currently debating several campaign financing and lobby reform measures. Republicans are attempting to distance themselves from the Abramoff scandal, which primarily involves Republicans. Democrats see an opportunity to use the issue in this year's crucial congressional elections.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm used her State of the State address as an opportunity to push for several campaign and lobbying reforms.

In Michigan, lobbying is regulated under the Michigan Lobby Regulation Act of 1978. The Michigan Department of State Bureau of Elections sets various monetary thresholds for expenditures or compensation for which lobbyists must register. The thresholds are adjusted annually based on the Detroit Consumer Price Index.

More needs to be done.

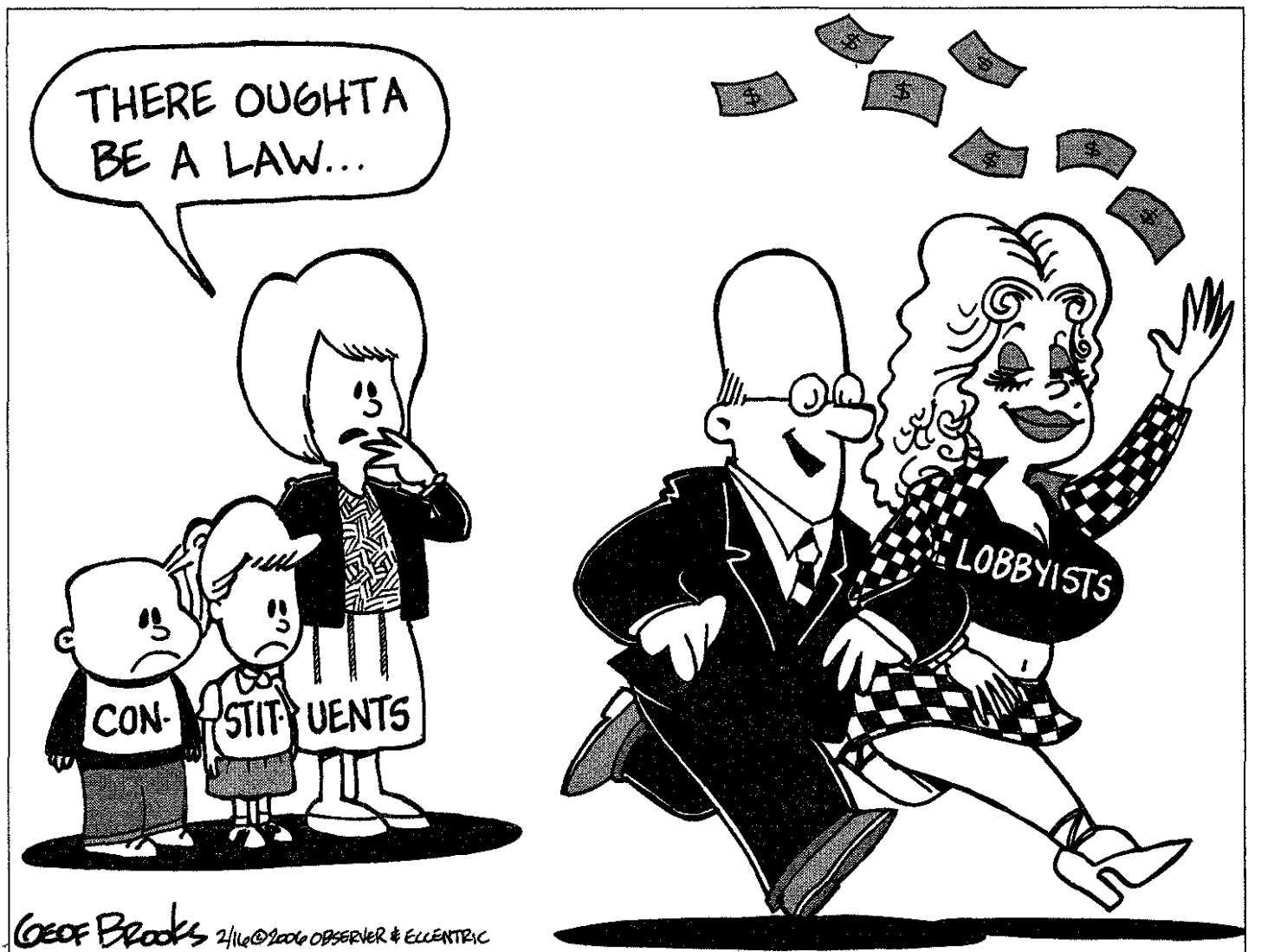
Granholm has called for a series of ethics reforms "that will require public officials to disclose their financial information so taxpayers know elected officials are working for the public, not enriching themselves."

Michigan is one of the few states that doesn't require financial disclosure statements.

The governor is also proposing a one-year ban on lobbying by former state elected officials and non-elected heads of major state departments and a ban on honoraria. We also suggest a ban on all lobbyist-paid junkets.

We need to know that our elected officials are working for the general good and are not in the pay of big contributors.

While there is nothing wrong with lobbying for legislation, there is a great deal wrong with public officials accepting bribes to do the bidding of lobbyists. Now is the time to act quickly for honest government.



Geoff Brooks 2/16/06 O&E/ECCENTRIC

### Pleased about Penn

I'm so pleased the Penn Theatre, its history, memories and tradition will continue. Thank you, Friends of the Penn, thank you.

I grew up here in Plymouth, as did my parents. I've always lived within walking distance to downtown and love my hometown. I have so many fond memories and the Penn is among them — the Penn and the park, just a perfect place to be.

If you look carefully, you can see me there. It's the summer of 1945, I was 5 years old and my mother took me there to celebrate the ending of World War II. My mom, Anne Ingall, was the "ticket lady" at the Penn for many years.

As a little girl, my Grandma Hattie and I enjoyed many happy walks there. My cousin Eleanor (Lloyd Oliver's wife) and I used to play in the park and went to a lot of movies at the Penn over 50-plus years. My first job as a young teenager was at Wilson's Dairy, which was right next door to the Penn and operated by my Aunt Inne.

My heart is happy in both looking back and looking forward to the Penn and the park. Thank you again, Friends of the Penn, Jennifer, Don Soenen and you few "special financial contributors" who made the purchase of the Penn possible and all of you folks whose contributions so far will go toward making the first phase of renovations possible.

As I'm writing, I realize the love for the Penn and the park has been a family affair. Yes, the Penn is part of our family, our past and our precious memories. No wonder I feel so good about saving its life. I bet if everyone who has a special memory of the Penn and the park would express it through a donation to the Friends of the Penn, it wouldn't be long 'til we heard loud and clear, "I'm alive, I'm alive."

Marie Long (VanEvery)  
Plymouth

### Theory a supposition

In his "Many scientists are skeptical about the theory of evolution," (*Observer*, Jan. 15), Jack Kramer makes a lot of sense.

Her certainly is a real scientist. I am very much inclined to agree with him that the people who most fervently support evolution are those whose livelihood depends on federal grants they receive to study it. Who can blame them?

Concept of evolution, "Darwinism," is nothing more than a wild supposition by Charles Robert Darwin, a college dropout, supposition that scientifically makes not much sense. No person who is capable of intelligently observe and appreciate the complexity, ingenuity, orderliness, purposefulness and other marvels of the perfectly designed, organized and functioning nature, animate and inanimate, can in all conscience subscribe to this Darwin's overly simplistic, unrealistic supposition.

### LETTERS

It is unfortunate that our apparently half-educated bureaucrats in the government spent public money on study and promotion of this baseless, scientifically discreditable theory, and that our public schools are indoctrinating our children in it, thus wasting their time and taxpayers' money that could be put to better use.

Many similarly unsubstantiated theories of the past have been discredited and forgotten. It is about time this flimsy Darwin's theory meets the same, much-deserved end.

Joseph Wira  
Plymouth

### Not guys, but customers

I have noticed something spreading around the local restaurants lately.

It's called "You Guys." "You guys want to order now?" "You guys want refills?" "Can I get you guys anything else?" "Your tables ready, guys?"

This happened at an Italian restaurant, a Coney Island, and at the fast food place the cashier looked up and said "uhh" to take my order.

Managers, when training your employees, stress that we are not their pals, buddies, or friend.

We are paying customers.  
Diane Kurjan  
Garden City

### Step aside

The state of Michigan can help solve the electricity shortage by stepping aside for a change. "Deregulation" requires utilities sell power to competitors at prices so low they can then re-sell it for less.

This is neither deregulation nor competition — just unreasonable activism in the marketplace, leaving investors little inducement to build new coal plants.

Coal is plentiful and cheap, but it is dirty to handle and dangerous to mine. Atomic power is cleaner, safer, cheaper and the target of mass hysteria.

Attorney General Frank Kelly ordered a nuclear plant closed and dismantled when it was ready to come online. The utility felt customers should pay, but charging investors (including many retirees) was better politics. Gas and oil beneath the Great Lakes are accessible by slant drilling, but this too is prohibited by law.

Environmentalists "know not what they do," but they could study science and economics before influencing politics.

Hank Borgman  
Farmington

### Questioning McCotter's view

Recently I came across a news article consisting of letters written by eighth-grade journalism students at Frost Middle School in Livonia. One letter written by Hanlin Yang regarding the

Iraq war says in part "and the Downing Street memos that prove without a doubt that any real intelligence was being shot down as though it were the Luftwaffe in favor of pro-war propaganda. Let's not even mention how there were no terrorists in Iraq before Saddam was overthrown."

Well, this young person has it exactly right. Contrast this with the position of our U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter, who when asked at a public event why we were in Iraq answered that it was to fight the ones who attacked us on 9/11. When it was pointed out that Iraq had nothing to do with al-Qaeda, who actually attacked us, McCotter continued to insist it was. I have personally received a similar response to this question from members of McCotter's staff at various meetings.

As everyone by now knows, including former Secretary of State Colin Powell, there was no evidence to suggest Iraq and Saddam Hussein were at all involved with Osama bin Laden and al-Qaeda, who actually attacked us. From this, one could reasonably conclude that McCotter does not have the sense of an eighth-grader.

To those of you who may not believe that anyone could still hold such a viewpoint in light of all the evidence that has been brought to light, I would invite you to ask him yourself at his next town hall meeting or "coffee chat." The only problem is, however, that when I called his office to find out when he had any meetings scheduled, I was told that there had been nothing scheduled as yet. With as anti-constituent and pro-corporate lobbyist voting record as McCotter has, I suppose I would not be too willing to want to face the voters — though it is customary for congressmen to hold town hall meetings when they are on recess. Therefore you'll have to call him at (734) 632-0314, and let him know what's on your mind.

Kenneth Hymes  
Redford

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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, particularly in the winter months when downtown could use more traffic to support the retail shops."

— Don Soenen, Plymouth Symphony Society president, on the possibilities if the symphony starts playing at the Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth.

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# Patterson's message is right: SBT is a killer for Michigan

I had the opportunity to hear L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County executive, deliver his State of the County speech last week. Patterson, no shrinking wallflower, spoke of a "healthy," "strong" and "robust" county. He went on to explain and update the initiatives he has introduced, including Wireless Oakland and Emerging Sectors. He explained that the core of the initiatives "launched over the past 13 years have patience as an ingredient." He gave credit to his team for its accomplishments, but that's his style. He plans ahead, is bold and gives credit where credit is due.

Patterson saved the best for last when he called for those assembled and those who were listening to pledge \$800,000 to launch a petition drive to place on the November 2006 ballot the repeal of Michigan's Single Business Tax. He has established a Web site called [www.repealsbt.com](http://www.repealsbt.com) to help those who want to make a pledge. A telephone number (888) SayNoSBT (729-6672) is also available.

He explains as a ballot question, corporate dollars are acceptable and there is no limit that a company or individual can contribute.

As of today, the SBT is scheduled, in phases, to expire in 2009. Is this too late or just right?

Is Patterson smoking something or is he on to something? Is he saying the emperor has no clothes?

Many are not familiar with the SBT. It's a tax on businesses, not individuals. An individual pays a tax on his/her income. One could rightly assume that if a corporation or company records a profit that it will pay a (income) tax to the state. If the company loses money, it pays no (income) tax. Wrong. The SBT is essentially a tax on payroll — jobs. That's why Patterson calls it a "job killer," it's a business killer. So with a tax on payroll is a business going to expand in Michigan, is it going to add jobs in Michigan or is it going to move to Michigan? I say no, unless it's absolutely necessary to do so or it is "locked" into staying here. Let me speak from experience.

For more than 25 years, I was the president and CEO of HomeTown Communications Network, a company owned by Philip and Kathy Power, operating principally in Michigan. This newspaper was owned by HomeTown. As one can imagine, in 25 years we had some good years and some bad years (read losses) Michigan's economy, as we all know, is very cyclical. From memory, in every year, whether we earned a profit or experienced a loss, we had to pay the SBT. Now how fair is that?

Some would complain that they would like to not pay any tax at all even if they earned substantial sums, but I don't agree. Don't com-

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plan — if you are making a profit, pay your fair share of a fair tax.

So when we were looking to expand or acquire, we were very cognizant of the SBT. It was one of the reasons when we expanded the telephone directory business we went to Kentucky vs. Michigan. How many other businessmen make similar decisions?

Now, I am not advocating that we eliminate all taxes or eliminate the revenue the tax raises and neither is Patterson. I do agree with Patterson, however, that the SBT is a job killer and it puts Michigan at a disadvantage when compared to other states.

Patterson offers various solutions to replace the \$1.8 billion the SBT raises, such as a "fair corporate tax on profits, dropping the sales tax from 6 percent to 5 percent but extending its base — a sales tax on gross receipts — charging a fee for business licenses based on gross sales. There is a host of options to explore."

He is giving the Legislature and the governor the opportunity and the time to replace the revenue the SBT raises. If the petition drive is successful and the issue is on the November ballot and passed by the voters, the SBT goes away for the state's fiscal year beginning October 2007. That gives the powers that be a year, ample time to replace the revenue the SBT raises.

I would argue that the fairest tax is a tax on profits — net income. If a corporation is making money, it should pay a portion in tax to the state, if it is losing money, it should not pay a tax. In any event, when we desperately need jobs, the SBT — a tax on payroll — is a sure way to kill jobs.

If you agree, go to the Web site or call and make your pledge. It doesn't take much from any of us to raise \$800,000. Then help circulate petitions to obtain the necessary signatures so the voters can decide on the job killer SBT.

Patterson is right on — the SBT is a job killer.

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Richard Agnien

# Ice festival accomplishes goal, draws praise from visitors, carvers

I am writing in response to your recent story and editorial regarding the 2006 Plymouth Ice Spectacular.

The Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, Inc. is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) Michigan corporation established to administer and raise all the funds for the annual festival in Plymouth. Our mission statement reads: "To foster cultural exchange in art, education, business, history and cuisine as they relate to the art of ice carving for the enlightenment and betterment of Plymouth, Michigan, its residents, and the surrounding communities."

It is also the desire of the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular, Inc. to engender and encourage the art of ice carving in North America through a direct working relationship with culinary arts programs at high schools, trade schools, junior colleges, universities and schools specializing in culinary arts.

This is what the organization was established to do and this is our primary objective.

We have worked very hard to grow this event and to have it recognized as a world-class event, and I am pleased to say that we have been very successful in our endeavors. It is true that in recent years we have faced some financial challenges due to a downturn in fundraising because of a weak economy in our state. However, the event has been presented at the highest level possible.

We are an ice-carving festival and are recognized as one of the top events of our kind anywhere. This year, over 50 carvers where carving in Kellogg Park on Saturday and Sunday, and tens of thousands of people came to watch them.

We continually get accolades from the carvers, the schools involved and the spectators. It seems like the only negative comments come from local merchants and some local media, who seem to think the event does not meet some unknown objectives.

We do not need an ice skating rink in the Gathering, or an ice-fishing pond in the fountain to attract people to the event. As a matter of fact, they are not appropriate in light of what our organization's goals as stated are.

Our board of directors has not set any limits on what can take place at the event other than that it be related to the art of ice carving. Anyone who wishes to create an event with other winter activities is welcome to do so.

I would also like to commend the businesses and corporations who support the festival, many of which do so on an annual basis.

As far as those who choose not to donate or purchase a sculpture for in front of their business, and then suggest that the event needs their expert opinion, I cannot take their recommendations seriously.

One of the great benefits that the Ice

Spectacular brings to Plymouth is that it sets our retail and restaurant businesses in the forefront of the market for one week a year. Other communities have art festivals and fall festivals, but none has an event of the caliber or notoriety of the Plymouth Ice Spectacular.

We are continually surprised that many of the retail businesses in Plymouth refuse to support the festival, and our biggest complaint from visitors is that many of the stores are not open. When we tried to publish unified hours of operation, and asked the stores to comply, we were requested to remove the information from our schedule at it was an embarrassment to the shops who stayed open as many of their neighbors didn't.

The annual Plymouth Ice Spectacular is celebrating its 25th anniversary next year, and I call on everyone in the community including the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township to get behind this event as it is imperative that we all approach next year with a positive attitude.

We need your support and, most importantly, the funding necessary to continue this event. Unlike any other festival, the Plymouth Ice Spectacular is brand new every year, and the more funds we have, the larger the event becomes. The visitors who come to the festival love to see the ice carvings being made, and to walk among the completed ones once they are finished.

They enjoy visiting the quaint shops and the many fine restaurants in the city, and the surrounding community, and they come back year after year.

I promise you that this event will only continue and prosper with the support of the people in the greater Plymouth community.

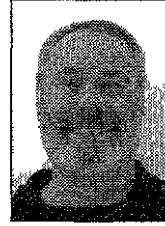
Our common goal is to return the festival to its past glory, but we cannot do it alone. I expect that fund raising will turn in our favor soon, providing there are no more business downturns in the automotive industry, no more multibillion-dollar wars being fought on many fronts and no more natural disasters which all compounded the fund-raising situation the past few years.

I can also promise you that the event will suffer if we cannot be grateful for what we are able to accomplish within our budget, and that the petty negativism that permeates this community does not end up killing the spirit of the festival.

Everyone has a right to their opinion, but be careful how you express it as potential sponsors read your comments and may think the event is losing its luster.

I suggest that everyone start thinking about putting a few dollars aside each month toward a sculpture purchase for the 25th anniversary next year. Wouldn't it be great if every business had one next year?

Mike Watts of Watts Up Inc. organizes the Plymouth International Ice Sculpture Spectacular. He can be reached at (734) 459-6969.



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# Oakland executive wants Single Business Tax on ballot

BY ALEX LUNDBERG  
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County Executive L Brooks Patterson will show the way to a Michigan without the Single Business Tax if private citizens will provide the near \$1 million to put on a ballot drive, but representatives of the governor have said there will be no support for a plan that eliminates the SBT on the backs of working families.

At his State of the County address in Troy last week, Patterson said that if donors would come up with the money, he'd spearhead a ballot drive to eliminate the state's Single Business Tax.

"It's time to end the Single Business Tax," he said. "And so tonight not only do I call for an end of the Single Business Tax but I am prepared to put the question of its repeal before the public on the ballot this November."

All he needs is \$800,000 within the next 10 days. While he cannot place an item on the ballot himself,

Patterson said he's got a law firm and a public relations firm "that will guarantee to put the question on the ballot in November."

The SBT is a value-added tax based on three components: labor (compensation and benefits), capital (depreciation, interest, dividends and royalties) and profits. The tax was created in 1975 as a way of stabilizing tax revenue for the state. Critics say the SBT penalizes businesses for being successful.

On Friday, the 15 member Republican caucus of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners pledged \$1,500 to put the issue on the November ballot.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm's press secretary Liz Boyd said the governor stands ready to alter or eliminate the SBT, something she's proposed in the past.

"She proposed changes in January of '05 that would have cut the SBT from 1.9 percent to 1.2 percent, that was voted down by the legislature,"

she said. "That would have been a significant tax cut for three-quarters of the businesses in the state."

What would not happen, she said, was a shift in tax burden from the state's wealthiest corporations to working families.

"The governor will not support cuts to schools, health care or public safety," Boyd said.

The need to repeal the tax, Patterson said, was indicated in the state's numbers.

"We are 50th in economic momentum, 50th in job creation, 49th in personal income gains, we are the only state except for two ravaged by hurricanes, to suffer a net job loss in '04 and '05," Patterson said. "And, of course, we're number one in unemployment."

Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives Craig DeRoche (R-38), who introduced Patterson as "bold, innovative and creative," said he welcomed the SBT challenge. "We have to get there for

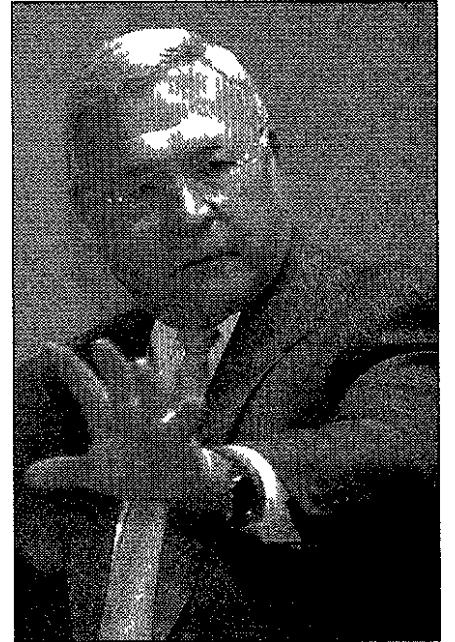
Michigan's future," he said. "We have to get to the meat and potatoes of attracting business."

Citizen's Research Council Director of State Affairs Tom Clay said removing the SBT would have a significant impact on the state's general fund.

SBT is 22 percent of the general fund, he said. "The general fund spends 85 percent of its funds in four areas: Higher education, corrections, the Department of Community Health and the Department of Human Services."

The 22 percent figure is, coincidentally, the exact amount of the higher education or corrections budgets. While he doubts that the state will eliminate either program, he said realistic discussions have to happen before any tax cut goes into effect.

"If they're going to discuss cutting revenues they have to come up with some way of cutting on the spending side," Clay said. "Budgeting is a two-part process."



County Executive Brooks Patterson will supply the muscle to end the state's Single Business Tax if others supply the cash.

## Airport receives federal funds

Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) will be receiving \$14 million in federal funding for airport improvement projects.

The funding was announced recently by U.S. Rep. Joe Knollenberg, R-Birmingham, and Wayne County Airport Authority CEO Lester Robinson.

Addressing the media in the ticketing lobby of DTW's McNamara Terminal, Knollenberg listed the projects these earmarked transportation grants will help to fund:

- \$6 million for Multilateration Surveillance Technology Equipment
- \$5 million for rehabilitation of one runway
- \$2 million for capacity enhancements for another runway
- \$1 million for aircraft deicing fluid disposal infrastructure

These projects will contribute to the safe and efficient operation of Detroit Metro Airport," said Knollenberg, who serves as chairman of the House Transportation Treasury Appropriations Committee. "Because it is a major connecting hub airport, improvements in Detroit will have a significant beneficial impact on aviation elsewhere in the nation."

### THE PROJECTS

Multilateration Surveillance Technology will help DTW improve arrival capacity during low visibility conditions by significantly improving air traffic control's ability to monitor aircraft on final approach. Equipment upgrades would enhance DTW's low-visibility arrival rate from 72 to 96 aircraft per hour-taking full advantage of DTW's four parallel runways. Estimated project cost: \$8 million. Amount from this grant: \$6 million.

**Runway 3R/21L Rehabilitation** The runway and associated taxiways require major rehabilitation consisting of the total replacement of the top 17 inches of concrete and nine inches of underlying asphalt as well as the repair and resurfacing of the asphalt shoulders. Estimated project cost: \$74 million. Amount from this grant: \$5 million.

**Runway 3L/21R Capacity Enhancements** Primary focus will be on installing the appropriate navigational aids to improve the efficiency of this runway while other runways are undergoing rehabilitation. The project includes lengthening the runway as well as the extension of four associated taxiways, rehabilitation of centerline lighting, construction of a hold pad, drainage, shoulders, pavement markings and signage. Estimated project cost: \$35 million. Amount from this grant: \$2 million.

**Aircraft deicing fluid disposal infrastructure** The Wayne County Airport Authority recycles the majority of the spent fluid which is sprayed by airlines to deice aircraft. Estimated project cost: \$7 million. Amount from this grant: \$1 million.

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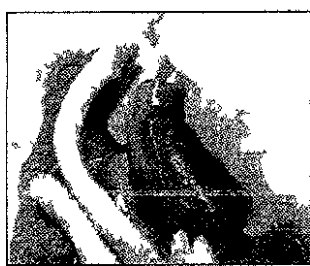
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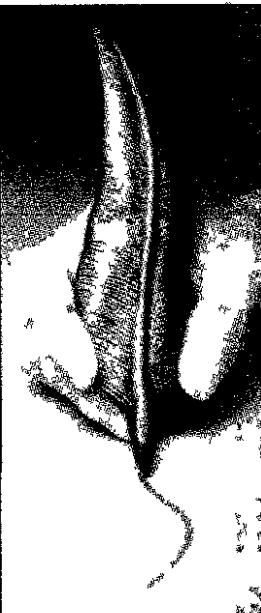
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The training is free, but candidates must join the Cranbrook House Auxiliary. Annual dues are \$35.

For more information or to register, call (248) 645-3149.

## Rid of rust

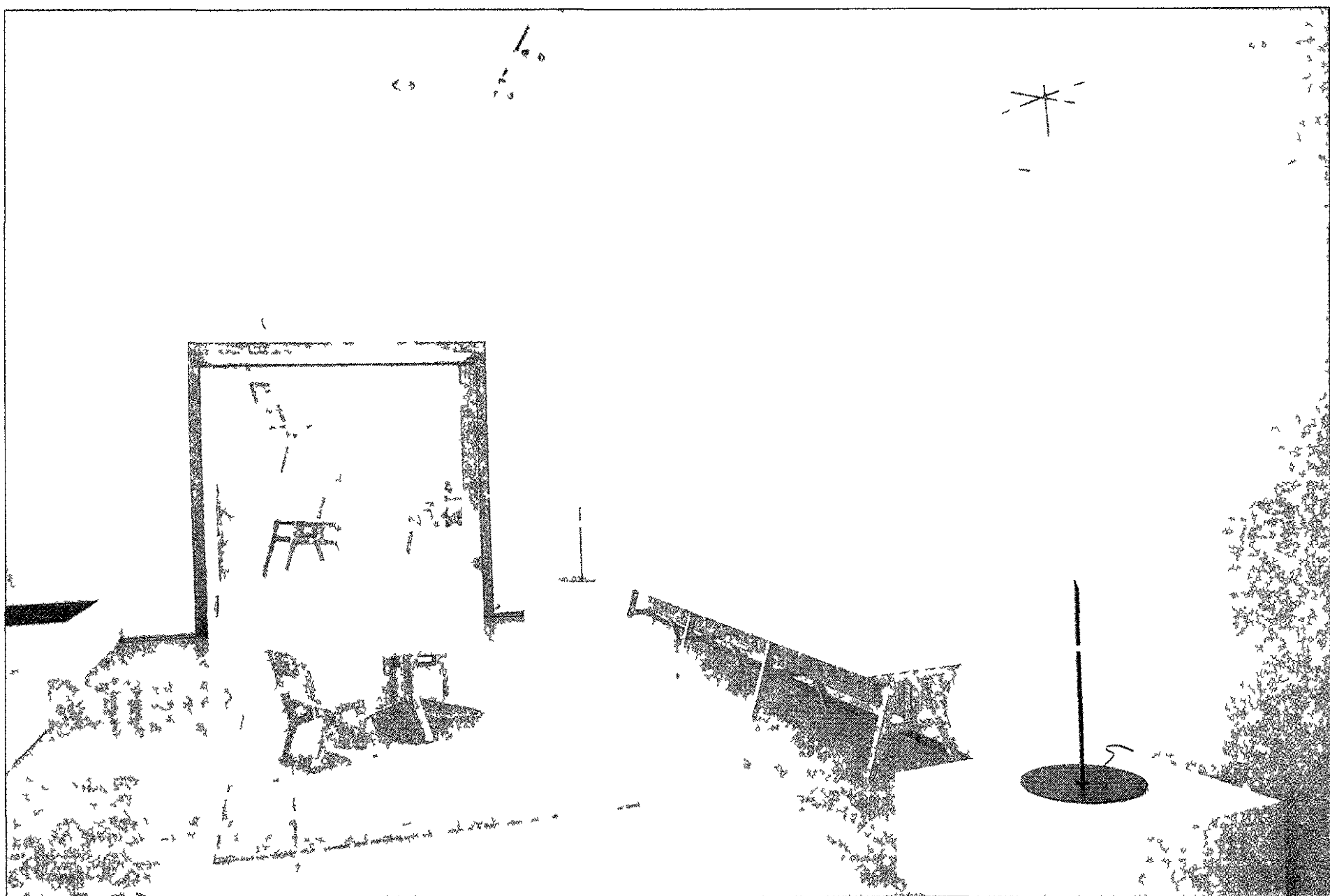
"Your steel porch railings are under attack from rust every hour of every day, but you can rescue them," says James and Morris Carey, writing for AP Weekly Features.

"Use a wire brush or wire wheel on a drill to get down to bare metal. Be sure to get it all."

"Rust in tight corners can be dissolved with thick coat of chemical rust remover. Let it sit for half an hour, then rinse well."

"Once the rust is gone, paint the railings with a zinc oxide or red oxide metal primer. This will discourage future rust attacks."

"Finish the job with a coat of good high-gloss, oil-base enamel paint."



MITCH CARR

Visitors to *Crossing Flatland* may sit on the A frame bench. Youngsters may sit at the children's table and play with the Spaceframe kit. Scott Klinker designed the furniture and lighting using new digital manufacturing tools.

Cafe chairs have a slight angle



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## Furniture designer uses modern technology

BY MARY KLEMIC  
STAFF WRITER

As an adjective, flat usually isn't paired with exciting. But exciting is one of the first adjectives for *Crossing Flatland: New Designs by Scott Klinker*, an exhibit continuing to April 2 at the Cranbrook Art Museum in Bloomfield Hills.

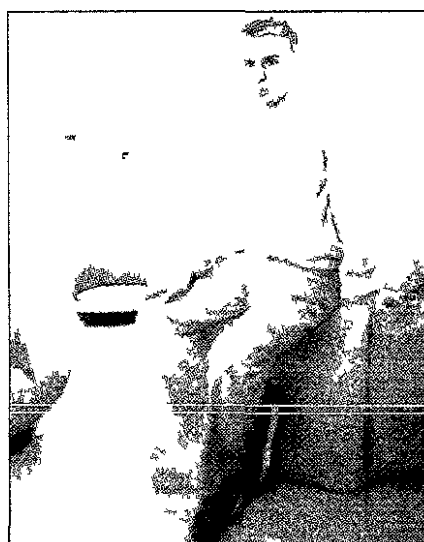
It's exciting to see the innovative designs, by an artist in his first solo exhibition.

And it's exciting to be part of the rich history of the Cranbrook Academy of Art, where Klinker is designer-in-residence and head of the Department of 3D Design.

The show features new furniture and lighting by Klinker (see related item). It's an opportunity to see furnishings before they are introduced to the market at the International Contemporary Furniture Fair in New York in May.

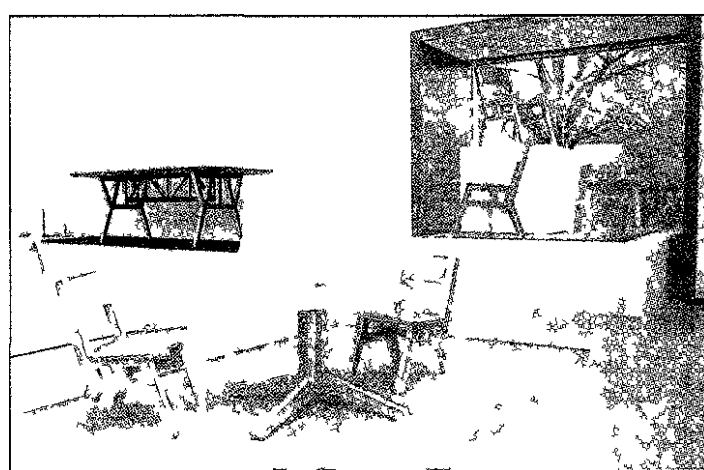
Also featured is Klinker's Spaceframe Builders Kit, which *Fortune* magazine selected as one of

PLEASE SEE DESIGNER, B3



MITCH CARR

Scott Klinker explored new ways of changing two dimensional patterns into three dimensional structures. His furnishings will be introduced to the market in New York in May.



MITCH CARR

Pieces of a Spaceframe kit stand on a children's table in the current *Crossing Flatland* exhibit at Cranbrook Art Museum. The kit and furnishings were designed by Scott Klinker, designer-in-residence and head of the Department of 3D Design at the Cranbrook Academy of Art. Tables here are in his Truss Collection.

## CROSSING FLATLAND:

### NEW DESIGNS BY SCOTT KLINKER

■ **What:** An exhibit of new products for the home including furniture and lighting by Cranbrook Academy of Art designer-in-residence Scott Klinker.

■ **Where:** Cranbrook Art Museum, 39221 Woodward, between Long Lake and Lone Pine roads in Bloomfield Hills.

■ **When:** Now to April 2. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. the fourth Friday of the month, closed Monday, Tuesday.

■ **Admission:** \$6 for adults, \$4 for ages 13 and over, full-time students with ID and ages 65-plus free for ages 12 and under.

■ **Lecture:** Klinker will discuss the exhibit and his investigations for making new furniture and lighting designs with digital tools, 4 p.m. Sunday, March 12, in deSalle Auditorium on the lower level of the art museum. He will lead a gallery tour of the show after his talk.

■ **Information:** (877) GO-CRANBrook (462-7262) 24-hour recorded information (248) 645-3323.

# Podcasts put world of information, entertainment in your pocket



Tech Savvy

Rick Broida

Podcasts have hit the big time. In their early days (back in 2005) these audio programs — which you can download to your iPod or MP3 player — consisted mostly of mindless blather produced by nobodies with microphones.

What a difference a year makes.

Here's a small sampling of what I found recently when perusing the iTunes

(apple.com/itunes) podcast library.

■ Selected stories from *60 Minutes*

■ A cornucopia of NPR segments with topics ranging from food and pop culture to books and movies. Don't miss *All Songs Considered*, *NPR Driveway Moments* and *NPR Story of the Day*.

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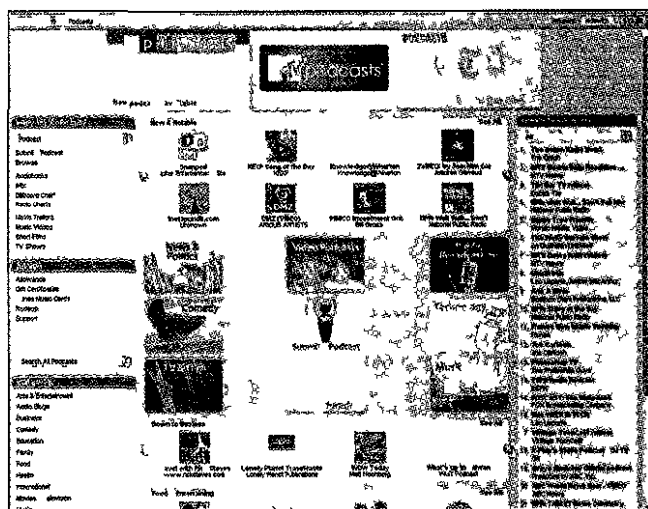
*Real Time with Bill Maher*

■ Commentaries and inside looks at popular TV shows like *Battlestar Galactica*, *Firefly*, *Lost* and *The OC*.

■ Stories and features from shows like *Nova*, *The American Experience* and *Discovery Channel News*.

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## Rusty water in house means replace galvanized pipes

BY MORRIS AND JAMES CAREY  
FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

Peter asks "The water that comes into my 25-year-old house is rusty. Toilets, sinks, showers everywhere. Do I have to replace the old galvanized pipes?"

Unfortunately, yes. Once that brown stuff starts traveling in old galvanized pipe it's all over. Replacement is the only solution, short of bottled water.

And with the real estate disclosure laws, you'd probably have to fix the pipes anyway in order to sell the home.

The only advice we can give is to get your money's worth from the plumber you select to do the work.

To do this, have each plumber submit a drawing of what pipes he will replace and what size pipe will be used. At least you will be able to compare apples for apples.

And, by the way, replace with copper and the problem won't come back.

# Prepare wood well before staining

I got a call last week from a friend who is doing some remodeling in his home. Part of this work involves replacing painted trim, molding and doors with new stained wood. He was a bit unhappy with the results of the stain appearance, especially on the pine doors.

We discussed the products he was using and how he was applying the stain. Our talk got me thinking that this would be a good topic to share with you.

The varieties of stains available today are numerous. There are hundreds of color choices, available in both oil-

based and water-based liquids, and gels.

Before staining the wood, apply a coat of wood conditioner to the piece.

Wood conditioners seal the soft parts of the wood and help prevent a blotchy appearance. This is especially important on soft woods such as pine. This is the problem my friend had. Conditioners are available where stains are sold.

Stain is most commonly applied by painting on a heavier coat, allowing it to soak into the wood for a time and then wiping off the excess.

Another method involves wiping the stain directly onto the wood with a rag. This is best done in two or three thin coats.

The former is my favorite but either works well.

It's important that the wood be bare, clean and sanded prior to applying the stain. Any thing such as oil, water, old fin-

ishes and most wood putty won't take the stain, leaving an uncolored spot.

Don't sand across the grain. The fine scratches left by the sandpaper will show up when the stain is applied.

When applying the stain to large areas, follow the grain of the wood using long brush strokes, keep a wet edge, and stir the stain occasionally.

Be certain the stain is mixed thoroughly. Because stain is very watery, the pigment (coloring) easily settles to the bottom of the can. This too can cause a blotchy or inconsistent color.

It is very important that you follow the manufacturers' instructions for both the conditioner and the stain.

My personal favorites are oil stains and in particular those made by Minwax. However, several other manufacturers have very good products. I don't particularly like

water-based stains. They tend to raise the wood's grain and can be a bit opaque. They are less volatile and have less odor.

To finish the project, the stained wood needs to be coated with a clear finish. There are many, many finishes on the market and each has its own characteristics.

If the stained piece is going to be subjected to blows or abrasions, as most household wood trim is, I suggest clear polyurethane finish.

My preference is water-based polyurethane. It dries fast, has low odor and leaves a tough film finish.

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

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Harry Jachym

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### Roses, perennials

English Gardens hosts free seminars 1 p.m. Saturdays in February at all six English Gardens locations. Scheduled topics are What's New in Roses (Feb. 18) and Perennial Gardening (Feb. 25).

The locations include stores in West Bloomfield (248) 851 7506, Royal Oak Troy (248) 280 9500, Dearborn Heights (313) 278 4433 and Ann Arbor (734) 332 7900.

Roses are the only perennial that bloom year after year all summer long. At the Feb. 18 seminar learn about new varieties available this year as well as how to select plant and care for your plants all year to achieve a beautiful rose garden. At the Feb. 25 seminar learn about favorite perennials (plants that come back year after year) and how to select plants combine colors and provide proper care during and after the growing season so you can create a colorful beautiful garden using perennials.

### Michigan Orchid Society

The Michigan Orchid Society will meet 2:30 p.m. Sunday Feb. 19 at First Baptist Church, 300 Willets north of Maple (15 Mile) at Bates and east of Southfield Road in Birmingham. Rob Halgren, a judge with the American Orchid Society and owner of Little Frog Orchids, will talk on the latest trends in phragmipedium breeding. Halgren's expertise is gongora, catsetums, coelogynnes and phragmipedium orchids. The public may attend.

### Design

Gardening expert Janet Macunovich will present Simple Successful Garden and Landscape Design and sign her book *8 Months of Color* 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 21 at the Rochester Hills Public Library, 500 Olde Towne Road in Rochester. Registration isn't required. For more information call Ellen Kieta at (248) 650 7124.

### MBH Garden Club

Oakland University's Meadow Brook

Hill Garden Club will meet at 10 a.m. Friday Feb. 24 in the Coach House adjacent to the hall on the OU campus off Adams in Rochester. Guest speaker will be Dawn Venzina, a member of the Organization for Bat Conservation at the Cranbrook Institute of Science.

She will explain the benefits of bats in the environment and how to attract them to gardens and yards and preserve their habitats.

Non-member donation \$5. Reservations aren't required. For more information call (248) 608 0485 or (248) 310 8793 or visit www.meadowbrookhall.org.

### Herb conference

The 19th annual Michigan Herb Associates Conference will take place Wednesday/Thursday, March 8/9 in Wells Hall on the Michigan State University campus in East Lansing. Scented geranium is the 2006 Herb of the Year. The theme of this year's conference is Herbal Scent Stations. The conference will feature programs on herb culture, crafting and cooking.

Registration will start at 8:15 a.m. the program at 9:15 a.m. The conference is open to the general public. Walk-ins may register for one or both days.

Preregistration rates are \$65 for both days and \$35 for one day for MHA members. \$85 for both days and \$55 for one day for non-members. Walk-ins add \$10 to the rates. Tickets for the luncheon (\$10 each day) and banquet (\$30) must be reserved by Monday, Feb. 27. You may bring your own lunch or go out to eat. Conference information and forms are available at www.hrt.msu.edu/herb/.

### Master composter

The Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority Master Composter Program for environmental gardeners will begin 6:45-8:30 p.m. Thursday, March 2 at the Birmingham Department of Public Services Building, 851 S. Eton in Birmingham. The program includes six classroom sessions, assignments and required

### Plant pest problems

Gardening classes offered at The Community House in Birmingham include Solving Common Pest and Disease Problems, four sessions (including one Saturday off site lab) beginning Thursday, March 2. The Community House is at 380 S. Bates. Fee for this class is \$143. To register and for more information call (248) 644 5832 or visit www.communityhouse.com.

The class will take a thorough look at plant/pest relationships, how and why these relationships develop in the residential garden and what can be done to maintain plant health and appearance without negative effects on the environment or the gardener. Participants will receive an overview of common insects, non-insect pests and diseases and methods for identifying and controlling these problems. Many traditional and alternative pest control methods will be examined. The Ins and Outs of Plants class at the Michigan School of Gardening or equivalent experience is a prerequisite.

Instructor Steven Nikkila has planted, maintained and photographed gardens and landscapes since 1983 and is co-owner of Perennial Favorites, a garden and landscape design firm. He has been a senior instructor of the Michigan School of Gardening since its inception in 1996 and assisted in the development of the school's curriculum.

### Orchids for Beginners

Home gardening courses offered by Henry Ford Community College's Center for Lifelong Learning include Orchids for Beginners, Saturday, Feb. 25 at HFCC's Dearborn Heights Center, 22586 Ann Arbor Trail between Warren Avenue and Outer Drive.

Suzanne Bucki of the Michigan Orchid Society will explain common orchid species and how to recognize signs of disease, pest infestation and watering problems. Participants will also learn how to pot and repot orchids and the temperature and sunlight requirements for orchids to bloom.

Cost is \$26 for Dearborn School District residents, \$29 for non-residents. To register or for a complete list of CL2 courses call (877) 855 5252 or visit www.hfcc.edu/CL2.

### Matthaei Botanical Gardens

Throughout history plants have ignited passion for adventure, knowledge for love. Whether a matter of aroma or taste, medicinal properties or seductive powers, plants have always held a fascination for cultures around the world.

During February, Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum (MBGNA) will highlight plants of passion with a public lecture, tours of the Conservatory and a family day event. All events will take place at Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro in Ann Arbor. Reservations are strongly recommended for each event. Call (734) 647 7600.

Chocolate, a lecture by Patrick Fields AKA Doctor Chocolate, is scheduled 1 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19. Chocolate tasting will follow the talk. Cost is \$15 for the public, \$10 for MBGNA members. Seating limited to 100.

Family Day at the Gardens is scheduled 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 26. Enjoy a scavenger hunt in the Conservatory, have a snack and listen to stories told by Jean Gordon and pot a chocolate mint plant (one per child) to take home. Cost per child is \$7 for the public, \$5 for MBGNA members.

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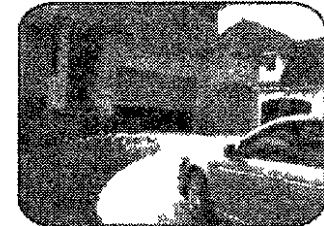
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the top 25 products of 2005

"The appeal was to look at new ways of making things, new manufacturing technology

And the interest for me is a shift from mass production to niche production," Klinker said

A towering edifice made of 12 Spaceframe kits stands in the main gallery at the museum, almost touching the ceiling. It is among works in another exhibit, this one called *Building Connections Architectural Dialogues with the Collection of Cranbrook Art Museum*.

"The history of design at Cranbrook is one where many of the designers, from the time of Charles and Ray Eames to the present, have been interested in looking at new technology and finding ways that this new technology can create new forms," said Greg Wittkopp, Cranbrook Art Museum director.

Charles and Ray Eames explored the technology that made molded plywood (A prototype of one of their chairs is in this display, which consists of works from the museum's permanent collection.) Klinker explores new digital manufacturing tools.

## NEW TECHNOLOGY

Computers enable designers to make every piece differently, Klinker said. He investigated ways of changing two-dimensional patterns into three-dimensional structures, and his fascinating findings are in *Crossing Flatland*.

The furniture forms are made with a digital laser cutter and a computer-controlled milling machine. They are cut from flat sheets of birch plywood.

Fasteners are hidden in "pockets" cut into the plywood.

All parts are shipped flat, and can be put together easily without tools.

The lighting prototypes are formed with a digital laser cutter.

*Crossing Flatland* includes furniture in Klinker's Truss Collection, developed in partnership with Context Furniture of Royal Oak. Several pieces in this collection - desks, tables and benches - can be "chained" together, Klinker said.

## EFFICIENT, ETHEREAL

Elements in tables and benches are an open network of beams that resemble a bridge's gridding and support. The furnishings have an A-frame, and corners of the tops are angled.

A library desk has a desktop shelf, just right for a computer, cords and wiring would be easily out of the way with the open structure.

Backs of cafe chairs and armchairs have a slight angle. So do the children's chairs at a round children's table. It's a simplicity that says much about comfort.

Klinker's lighting pieces have an almost ethereal quality, whether tall floor lamps, short table lamps or hanging lamps. Some resemble a cocoon wrapped in strips. Others are straight and encased in an open framework.

Klinker designed Spaceframe in partnership with Offi & Co. Spaceframe is a kit for youngsters that consists of rigid, lightweight, modular pieces made of reinforced PET plastic. They look like felt in their raw sheet form.

The Spaceframe pieces can be easily stacked and connected into any shape, such as a fort, castle, playhouse, tunnel or sculpture.

Spaceframe was one of Design Within Reach's first choices when the store decided

to sell a line of modern products for youngsters (Design Within Reach has a store in Birmingham).

The kit can be seen in the Design Within Reach JAX catalog of items for children or at www.dwrjax.com.

Except for the lighting and for the items on platforms, visitors are invited to sit on and touch the furniture in the show. Children may sit on the little chairs and play with the Spaceframe kit.

The furnishings are presented in vignettes featuring carpet tiles provided by Interface Inc.

The lighting prototypes were made with the support of the YUPO Corporation, which makes synthetic paper.

## BACKGROUND

Klinker is from Philadelphia. He studied at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia and earned a master of fine arts degree in design from Cranbrook.

"I've always been interested in art," Klinker said. "The more I learned about design, the more fascinating it became."

Klinker was drawn to Cranbrook because of Charles and Ray Eames, he said.

His professional experience included positions at Ericsson Communications (in-house design), IDEO Product Development in Silicon Valley (design consulting) and the Kanazawa International Design Institute in Japan (design education and chair of product design).

Klinker has organized and curated design exhibits in Kanazawa, Detroit, New York and Milan.

He founded Scott Klinker Product Design, a design office that focuses on developing designs and patents for licensing in contract furniture, household goods and toys. mkleimc@hometownlife.com | (248) 901 2569

## Kitchen cabinets

Classes taught by professionals take place 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Fancy Color Paints and Interiors 3883 Rochester Road in Troy. In Updating Kitchen Cabinets (Feb. 28) learn how to restore and rejuvenate your kitchen cabinets. For registration information call Troy Adult Education at (248) 823 5100. Rochester Adult Education at (248) 726 3165. Birmingham Adult Education at (248) 203 3800. Huntington Woods Adult Education at (248) 541 3030 or Royal Oak Adult Education at (248) 588 5050.

## Auction

The Frank H. Boos Gallery will conduct an auction 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday Feb. 22 and 23 at the gallery at the Antiques Centre of Troy 2830 W. Maple Suite 206 at Maple and Coolidge.

A preview will take place at the gallery noon to 8 p.m. Friday and Monday 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

For more information call (248) 643 1900 visit www.boosgallery.com or e-mail artandauction@boosgallery.com. The auction will feature property belonging to the estate of Brian Killian, the estate of a prominent Tennessee collector, the Roz and Sherm Boutique and numerous other estates and private collections.

## Heart of the Home tour

The Groves High School Parent Senior Committee will present its annual Heart of the Home house tour noon to 4 p.m. Sunday March 5 featuring homes in West Bloomfield, Franklin Bingham Farms and Birmingham. Tickets are \$25 for Friends \$50 for Patrons. The Patron ticket includes the tour and a reception immediately afterward.

Tickets can be bought at the Groves High School main office at 13 Mile and Evergreen at the Apple Tree Room on Franklin Road between 13 and 14 Mile in Franklin or by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope with a check payable to Groves PTA Graduation Committee to Shelley Roberts 320 Suffield Birmingham 48009. Maps will be distributed to ticket holders on tour day. Each residence will include arrangements by area floral designers and music performed by members of the

## HOME CALENDAR

## Groves Orchestra

For more information call Shelley at (248) 645 0513 or e-mail shelley.roberts@communityhouse.com

## Snow Ball

The 10th annual Snow Ball will take place 6 p.m. Saturday Feb. 25 at the Townsend Hotel Ballroom 100 Townsend at Pierce south of Maple (15 Mile) and east of Southfield Road in Birmingham.

The event includes a black tie dinner, live auction of fantasy packages and entertainment presented by Variety - The Children's Charity. Proceeds benefit children with special needs in metropolitan Detroit.

Tickets are \$300 Friend \$400 Patron \$500 Benefactor. A preview party for patrons and benefactors is scheduled Thursday Feb. 16 at the home of Michael and Kay Poncail in Bloomfield Hills. For information contact The Variety Office 30161 Southfield Road No. 301 Southfield 48076 phone (248) 258 5511.

## Make centerpieces

The Center for Lifelong Learning at Henry Ford Community College will offer a course on how to make corsages, centerpieces and bouquets Mondays Feb. 20 to March 20. The class will take place at HFCC's Dearborn Heights Center at 22586 Ann Arbor Trail between Warren Avenue and Outer Drive.

Participants should bring a notebook, pen or pencil and wire cutters. All other supplies will be provided. The cost is \$179 for Dearborn School District residents \$199 for non residents.

To register or for more information call (877) 855 5252 or visit www.hfcc.edu/CL2. For more information about HFCC visit www.hfcc.edu. Participants will learn how to create handmade floral pieces using basic floral handling techniques, design principles and creative tips from internationally known floral educator and designer Robbin Yelverton.

## Scrapbook beginnings

Learn about the basics of making a scrapbook in a class for all ages. Scrapbook Beginnings 101 presented at Simple Pleasures Scrapbook Treasures stores at 44645 Mound in Sterling Heights (phone (586) 323 6300) and 4944 John R in Troy (phone (248) 524 0051).

The hands on class will take place 6:30 p.m. Thursday Feb. 16 in Sterling Heights or 6:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 21 in Troy. Fee is \$15. Call for registration and other information.

Bring six to eight photos related to one birthday event. You will complete a double page layout based on a birthday theme.

## Organizing family

Professional organizer Shannon Burdick will present Organizing Your Busy Family 7:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 28 at Utica High School. For registration and other information contact Burdick at (248) 854 7037 or shannon@SOSorganizing.com.

Bring a sense of calm to your life by learning ways to balance your time spent on work and family. Burdick will provide information on managing your children's schedules, getting family members to contribute and methods to help establish effective routines geared toward your family's individual needs.

## Floral arrangement

A Floral Arrangement Workshop will take place 9 a.m. to noon Saturday March 18 in the Music Room at the Henry Ford Estate Fair Lane on the University of Michigan Dearborn campus.

At the workshop make a spring floral arrangement with fresh flowers and greens to take home with you. Cost is \$45 including materials. Workshop proceeds benefit the Henry Ford Estate Gardens. Seating is limited and reservations and pre-pay are required. Call (313) 593 5580 or (313) 593 0514. Professional florists from Christopher's Personal Touch will teach the class which is designed for adults only.

## Crafters wanted

St. Damian of Westland is seeking crafters for its annual Spring Arts & Crafts Show which will take place 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday April 8. For more information call (734) 721 4758 or e-mail nellus@comcast.net.

Send calendar items at least two weeks ahead of the event to Ken Abramczyk, At Home Editor, Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, 36251 Schoolcraft, Livonia 48150, e-mail kabramczyk@hometownlife.com fax (734) 591 7279 or (248) 644 1314.

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Show, whose star is the creator of two of my favorite Brit-coms *Extras* and *The Office*.

■ A young librarian (annecoleman.com) who reads public-domain books like *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *Pride and Prejudice*.

All this is just the tip of the iceberg. There's a seemingly endless supply of entertaining and informative material. Of course, the mindless homebrew blather is still there if you want it.

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Of course, you can also listen to podcasts right on your PC, but that's not nearly as fun.

As for actually getting them, iPod users have it easy: venture into the iTunes Music Store, click Podcasts, browse the selection and subscribe to the ones you want.

For non-iPod users, I recommend Yahoo Music Engine (music.yahoo.com/music-engine). It's an iTunes-like music manager/store, and it offers a similarly diverse selection of podcasts.

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Music Engine (YME), you'll need to download a plug-in (tinyurl.com/b48hv) that adds the podcasting capability.

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What I find most amazing of all is that all this content is free. I don't know of a single podcast that costs more than a minute or two of download time.

Of course, they've always been free. But now they're worth hearing.

Rick Broida writes about computers and technology for the *Observer & Eccentric Newspapers*. Broida of Commerce Township is the co-author of numerous books including *How to Do Everything with Your Palm Handheld*, 5th Edition and *101 Killer Apps for Pocket PC*. He welcomes questions sent to rick.broida@gmail.com.

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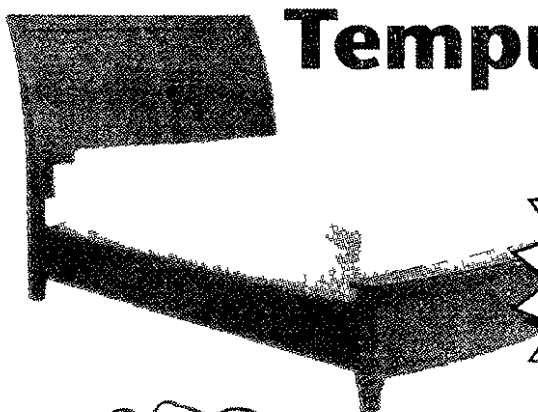
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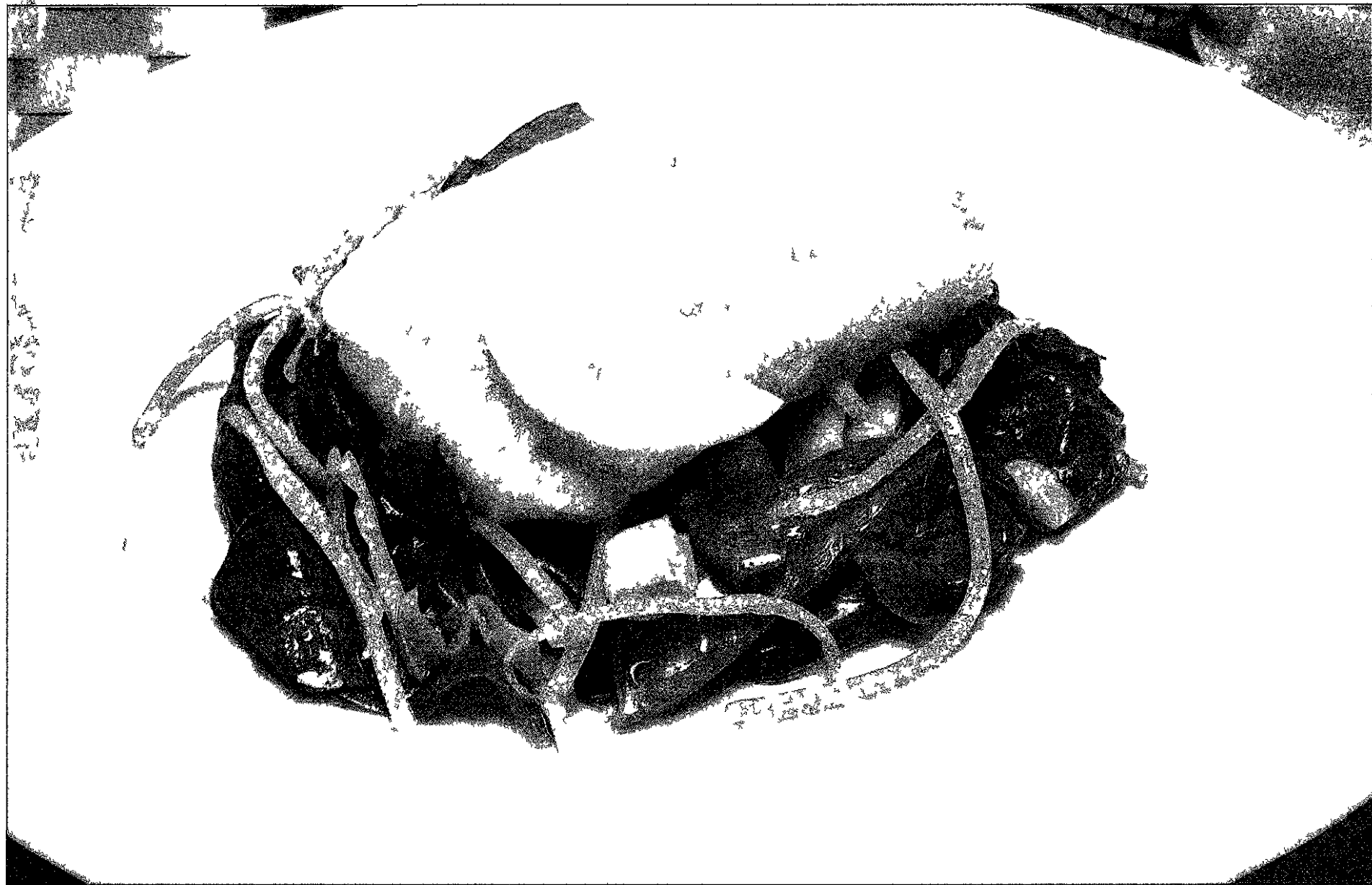
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Pack salmon inside foil with leeks carrots and snow peas for an easy nutritional meal

## Salmon

An easy dinner in a packet



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In Latin America, fish are baked in banana leaves. In France, they are baked in parchment (en papillote). This technique seals in moisture and flavor. Home cooks anywhere can do the same thing with aluminum foil.

By adding a few vegetables, you have a whole meal in a package. It's easy to assemble, pretty to look at and delicious to eat. As an added bonus, it's a healthful meal.

Salmon is a good choice for this cooking method. It is a rich source of omega-3 fat, a polyunsaturated fat that doesn't raise blood cholesterol and seems to have health-promoting powers that lower the risk of heart disease and possibly cancer.

Only certain fish are a good source of omega-3 fats: salmon, mackerel, herring, white (albacore) tuna and sardines. When buying some fish, such as salmon, there is often a choice between farm-raised and wild. Whatever type is selected, fish is always an excellent choice for good nutrition.

Of course, the preparation must be healthful too: not deep-fried, slathered in butter, or covered in cream sauce. The steam-baked cooking of fish and vegetable in packets is ideal.

The following recipe creates a dish special enough for company but easy enough for every-day meals.

### OVEN-BAKED SALMON WITH SNOW PEAS

- 2 small leeks, white and pale part chopped fine
- 2 large carrots, cut into julienne strips (width of matchsticks)
- 1/2 pound snow peas (fresh or frozen)
- 4 salmon steaks or filets (4 ounces each)
- 2 teaspoons grated fresh ginger
- 2 tablespoons rice vinegar
- 1 teaspoon plus 1 tablespoon sesame oil, divided
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 1 pound fresh spinach
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice

Preheat oven to 450° F. Tear four large sheets (18 by 12 inches) of heavy-duty aluminum foil and lay out on table or counter.

Place one-fourth each of leeks, carrots and snow peas on each sheet of foil. Place a piece of salmon on top of each mound of vegetables. Sprinkle one-fourth of the ginger and drizzle one-fourth of the vinegar and one-fourth teaspoon oil over each piece of fish. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Double-fold foil and seal tightly, to form four packets. (Leave enough room in the packet for heat to circulate.) Place packets on cookie sheet and bake about 20 minutes or until fish flakes easily with fork.

Meanwhile, rinse spinach leaves and place in large bowl or platter that will fit in a microwave oven. Drizzle with fresh lemon juice and remaining 1 tablespoon oil. Cook in microwave at high power 3-4 minutes, checking every minute or so to make sure spinach is tender but not over-cooked. Place one-fourth of spinach in center of each of 4 plates, making a flat bed.

When salmon is cooked, open packets carefully to allow steam to escape without scalding hands or arms. Transfer contents to top of bed of spinach on each plate.

Makes four servings. Per serving: 342 calories, 17 g total fat (3 g saturated fat), 19 g carbohydrate, 29 g protein, 6 g dietary fiber, 188 mg sodium.

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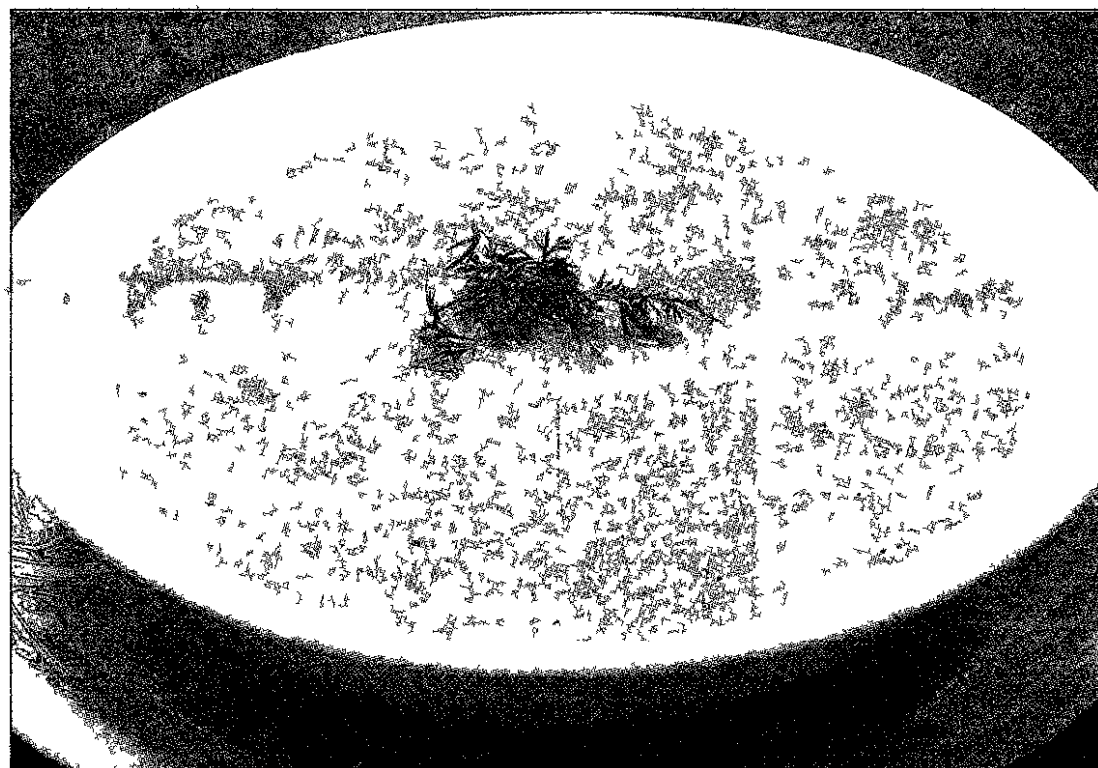
## Tomato soup is food for the body and soul

BY DANA JACOBI  
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Inhaling the aroma of a steaming bowl of canned tomato soup, while gazing at its velvety orange-red color, recalls for many people comforting childhood memories. In fact, tomato soup ranks high on the list of American comfort foods. It warms our psyches as much as our bodies, and has the natural sweetness of tomatoes.

One of the greatest culinary challenges is achieving a homemade version of favorite comfort foods. Mother's recipe for chocolate chip cookies, for example, is better than any commercial brand - and a lot more healthful. Similarly, I enjoy the challenge of creating a tastier and more healthful tomato soup in my own kitchen.

Unfortunately, food manufacturers rely mostly on salt and sweeteners to provide flavor - relatively cheap additions for the producer, but often high in health risks for the consumer. It is not difficult or time-consuming to make tomato soup at home that is low in sodium but still offers a satisfying flavor.



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There are smart, healthful ways to add flavor to foods without adding unnecessary calories or excessive sodium levels. Onion, garlic, herbs and spices, for example, add valuable nutrients, and the phytochemicals that help protect us

from serious chronic diseases, as well as rich and robust flavor.

So make good on your resolution to eat more healthful foods, and give yourself an added treat: enticing aromas that fill the kitchen and the

satisfying flavor of homemade tomato soup. This classic tomato soup uses just enough butter and fat-free cream to ensure rich creaminess, and a very modest amount of sugar to bring out the natural sweetness and flavor of tomatoes.

### OLD-FASHIONED TOMATO SOUP

- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 large garlic cloves, chopped
- 1 can (28 ounces) diced tomatoes
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 1/4 teaspoon ground mace
- Pinch of cayenne pepper
- 1/2 cup fat-free half and half cream
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 3 tablespoons snipped dill for garnish (optional)

Melt the butter in a small Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Sauté the onion until translucent, 4 minutes. Add the garlic and sauté until the onions are golden, 5 to 6 minutes. Add the tomatoes with their juices, the sugar, thyme, mace and cayenne. Bring to a boil, cover, and simmer the soup until the tomatoes and onion are soft, about 15 minutes.

Let the soup sit 20 minutes, uncovered. Transfer it to a blender (or use an immersion blender) and reduce the mixture to a puree, either pulpy or completely smooth, as desired. Blend in the half and half. Season the soup to taste with salt and pepper.

Serve the soup hot, sprinkling one-fourth of the dill over each bowl, if using.

Makes 4 servings. Per serving: 105 calories, 3 g total fat (2 g saturated fat), 18 g carbohydrate, 3 g protein, less than 1 g dietary fiber, 586 mg sodium.

## Side dish

### Brinker awarded



Dennis Brinker has received the Michigan Restaurant Association's Distinguished Service Award.

The award recognizes individuals who have provided exceptional and continuing leadership, vision and commitment to the Michigan food service industry. Brinker is president of Sign of the Beefcarver, which is based in Birmingham. His company also operates the Clarkston Café in Clarkston and Wagon Wheel Saloon in Troy. Brinker's career with the Sign of the Beefcarver (known as Sign of the Beekeeper in those days) began in 1967 when he took a job washing dishes for the company as a way to earn money while attending Wayne State University.

Brinker became president of the MRA Board of Directors in 1999. He remains active with the MRA board, serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Restaurant and Lodging Fund (the member-owned workers compensation program which has returned over \$12 million to members since 1992) and assists with the MRA's mission to represent, promote and educate the food service industry.

Brinker and his wife Anne, live in Birmingham.

### Stage Deli offers soup

For the entire month of February, the Stage Deli in West Bloomfield is offering a cup of chicken soup with any sandwich ordered at the deli.

The made-from-scratch soup of the Goldberg family has soothed illnesses of winters for more than a century.

The deli is located at 6873 Orchard Lake Road (Between Maple and 14 Mile roads). The phone number is (248) 855-6622.

### Gluten-free

Giulio's Cucina Italiana in Livonia is offering a gluten-free menu for patrons who suffer from Celiac disease, according to Ray Borden, owner of Giulio's.

Borden said he now has gluten-free preparations on "almost every item on my menu." "I have gluten-free pasta on hand and am working to develop a gluten-free pizza," Borden said.

Giulio's Cucina Italiana is located at 31735 Plymouth Road, Livonia. The phone number is (734) 427-9500.



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Healthy Cooking Classes

Enjoy vegetarian whole foods cooking classes with macrobiotic chef Valerie Wilson Learn how to prepare healthy delicious meals for you and your family in a relaxed atmosphere as students get hands on experience preparing the recipes Each class is scheduled 6-9 p.m. in Garden City and includes discussions on the healthy benefits of ingredients Upcoming classes include Healthy Pizza Cooking Class on March 15 (\$30) and Mid Eastern Cooking Class on March 22 (\$30) Details of all classes can be found at www.macroval.com Visit the Web site or call (734) 261 2856

Breads of India

Students will learn to make flat bread layered bread and stuffed bread then prepare a curry and cucumber yogurt salad to accompany our breads A material fee of \$13 is payable at class Bring a cup measure wide bowl and two dish towels Class offered 6:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday Feb 16 through Birmingham Community Education Derby Middle School Room 114 1300 Derby Road Birmingham \$39 To register call (248) 203 3800 or on line at www.communityed.net

Authentic Italian

Dawn Bause co author of the Italian cookbook Romance Begins in the Kitchen has brought back authentic home style Italian recipes to share with students at this class taught 7-9 p.m. Tuesday Feb 21 The menu includes Mixed Greens with Gorgonzola and Hazelnut Dressing Wild Mushroom Risotto Chicken Florentine and Panna Cotta Students will receive recipes and sample dishes with a glass of wine A \$6 materials fee payable to instructor at class Students must be 21 to attend this class Session costs \$29 To register call (248) 644 5832

Gluten Free and Loving It

Students will learn the secret behind a gluten free lifestyle and learn to make Roasted Pepper Rolls with Tzatziki and Capers Wild Rice Mushroom and Leek Stuffed Chicken with White Wine Sauce Baked Sweet Potatoes Dauphinoise and Eggplant Sundried Tomato and Feta Lettuce Wraps Class is 7:30-9 p.m. Monday Feb 27 A list of other gluten free items used in class will be provided Students will sample and take home all the recipes taught in this

class Session costs \$30 To register for classes contact The Community House 380 S Bates Birmingham call (248) 644 5832 or visit online at www.communityhouse.com

Soup for You

Learn about a Basic Seafood Chowder a Basic Broccoli Chowder and a Basic Black Bean Soup to build on instructor Peter Engelhardt is Executive Chef at The Community House in Birmingham Class is scheduled 7:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesday Feb 28 Session is \$30 To register for classes contact The Community House 380 S Bates Birmingham call (248) 644 5832 or visit online at www.communityhouse.com

Nutrition and Cooking Seminar

This seminar will make you aware of the latest scientific discoveries in nutrition 2:30-6 p.m. Sunday March 12 at Metro Seventh Adventist School 15585 Haggerty (just north of 5 Mile Road) Northville Cancer heart disease and diabetes are largely preventable through proper nutrition There will be lectures cooking demonstrations with recipes and menu plans Cookbooks will be available for purchase Suggested donation is \$10 per person To register call Dr. Arthur Weaver at (248) 349 5683 or Helen and Floyd Morris at (313) 531 2179

Schoolcraft classes

Culinary Seminars are offered through Schoolcraft College Continuing Education and Professional Development for winter 2006 The campus is located at 18600 Haggerty in Livonia Call (734) 462 4448 for information or visit webadvisor.schoolcraft.edu Here are some of the classes

Hands-On

These classes require Cooking 101 or chef's approval to register Wear a white chef's jacket dark pants and comfortable shoes for all hands on classes You'll need a tool kit consisting of a set of knives peeler spatula dough cutter thermometer and measuring spoons The following classes instructed by certified master chef Jeff Gabriel are scheduled European Bread Making 5:10-7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday March 14 Soup it Up 5-9 p.m. Thursday March 23 Sauté Like a Pro 6-9 p.m. Tuesday April 4 Stewing & Braising 5-9 p.m. Tuesday April 18 and Outdoor Grilling 5-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday April 25 Class fees range from \$109-\$139

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# Healthy meals can look and taste great

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FOR AP WEEKLY FEATURES

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — All-but-forgotten New Year's resolutions to slim down and eat more healthfully might seem to preclude the idea of fine dining.

Far from it. There are dishes within reach whose eye appeal and rich flavor qualify them for entertaining, let alone healthful, everyday meals.

Most of us can stick to strict diets and limited food choices for only short periods.

But according to the American Institute for Cancer Research, it's a myth that eating for health and weight loss has to mean food with less flavor and variety.

AICR nutrition experts recommend eating a wide variety of fruit, vegetables, whole grains and other plant-based foods, in moderation, they can also help people lose weight.

They advise reducing unhealthy saturated fats, while keeping rich flavor and mouth feel by using more healthful fats, including olive, canola and sesame oil.

Salt and sugar can be replaced with ingredients that are health-protective as well as flavor boosters, like fruit and their juices, spices, herbs, nuts and seeds.

Red meats offer important nutrients, but fish, especially those found in deep water, are far more abundant in health-protective substances like omega-3 fatty acids. Generally, they also contain less fat and calories per serving.

"There is no reason a healthful meal that helps us slim down can't also taste and look so special that we could proudly serve it to guests or to celebrate important occasions," Karen Collins, AICR's nutrition adviser, said.

The easy-to-make recipes that follow are festive in looks as well as taste. They complement each other in color, texture and flavors so they can pleasingly be served together.

ASIAN-STYLE SALMON

1/2 cup reduced sodium soy sauce

- 1/2 tablespoon fresh or prepared orange juice
- 1/2 tablespoon fresh lime juice
- 1/2 tablespoon prepared Chinese mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon Chinese five spice powder
- Four 4 ounce salmon fillets
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil
- Canola oil cooking spray
- 1 tablespoon sesame seeds

With a spoon, mix together soy sauce, juices, mustard and spice powder in a shallow pan or dish. Add salmon and turn to coat all sides with marinade. Cover with plastic and refrigerate 1 hour. Bring salmon back to room temperature before broiling.

Preheat broiler. Remove salmon from the marinade. pat dry with paper towels. Brush top and sides of fillets with sesame seed oil and place on broiler pan. Broil 4 inches from heat until fish is cooked through, about 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, heat a medium skillet over medium heat until hot. Add sesame seeds and, stirring continuously, toast until golden, about 1 minute. (Sesame seeds can quickly go from golden to burned, so watch carefully.) Immediately transfer sesame seeds to a small bowl. Remove skin from salmon fillets and place 1 on each of 4 serving plates. Garnish the top of each with sesame seeds. Serve immediately.

Makes 4 servings

Nutrition information per serving: 216 cal, 11 g fat (2 g saturated), 3 g carbo, 24 g pro, 0 g dietary fiber, 443 mg sodium

Turmeric is used in the following recipe to turn brown rice a rich, golden color without affecting the flavor. Dried fruits give a bright, jeweled appearance and slightly sweet taste.

GOLDEN JEWELED RICE

- 2/3 cup quick cooking brown rice (see note)
- 1 and 1/3 to 1 1/2 cups fat free reduced sodium broth or water (or follow rice package instructions)
- 1 teaspoon turmeric
- 1/4 cup dried apricots, cut in small pieces
- 1/4 cup dried cranberries

In a large saucepan, bring broth to a boil, stir in rice and turmeric

When liquid comes to boil again, reduce heat, cover and simmer about 10 minutes or until liquid is absorbed and rice is tender.

Meanwhile, place dried fruit in a small bowl. Add hot (but not boiling) water to cover. Let soak for 5 to 10 minutes, or until soft. Drain well.

Remove rice from heat and stir in dried fruit. Cover and let stand 2 to 5 minutes. Lightly fluff mixture with a fork and serve.

Note: Regular brown rice can also be used. To shorten the usual 50 to 60 minutes required, use an appropriate amount of rice and liquid as given on package instructions. Cook at a low boil (not a simmer) until rice is tender, about 30 minutes. Drain away any remaining liquid.

Makes 4 servings

Nutrition information per serving: 104 cal, 0 g fat (0 g saturated), 24 g carbo, 3 g pro, 2 g dietary fiber, 1,877 mg sodium

Steaming is a simple, fat-free way of preparing vegetables, and helps retain nutrients and phytochemicals often lost with other cooking methods.

The citrus sauce, which is similar to the marinade used for the broiled salmon, helps sweeten this dish.

STEAMED ASPARAGUS WITH CITRUS SAUCE

- 12 asparagus spears of roughly equal thickness ends trimmed
- 2 tablespoons finely minced mint leaves (see note)

Place asparagus in a dish that will hold 1/3 cup water and can be used in a microwave. Sprinkle herbs over asparagus. Carefully add water at edge of dish. Cover with wax paper or a damp paper towel, and cook in a microwave until crisp-tender. (Timing depends on the power of the microwave, which can vary. If in doubt about the time required, first cook 3 minutes at 50 percent power, check degree of doneness, and repeat as needed.)

Asparagus can also be steamed stove-top using a steaming pot, or using an electric steamer.

Arrange asparagus on a serving dish or evenly divide among 4 plates. Spoon 1/2 to 1 tablespoon Citrus Sauce (recipe follows) over

each serving

Makes 4 servings

Note: Thyme may be substituted if fresh mint isn't available.

Nutrition information per serving (including 1/2 tablespoon sauce): 17 cal, 0 g fat (0 g saturated), 3 g carbo, 1 g pro, 1 g dietary fiber, 97 mg sodium

The following citrus sauce makes far more than is needed for a vegetable side dish, but it can be refrigerated or frozen for future use.

Besides dressing vegetables including carrots, broccoli and cabbage, the sauce can be used as a marinade or sauce for fish, poultry or pork dishes.

The ingredient amounts called for can be halved if a smaller quantity is desired.

CITRUS SAUCE

- 2 1/2 cups fresh orange or tangerine juice
- 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 3/4 cup reduced sodium soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil
- 1/3 cup diced peeled fresh ginger root

In a large saucepan combine citrus juices, soy sauce, oil and ginger root. Simmer 10 to 15 minutes, or until mixture thickens slightly. Pour sauce through a strainer into a container.

Use immediately or store, covered and refrigerated, up to 3 or 4 days, in a freezer, up to 1 month. Reheat sauce before using.

Tip: If a somewhat thicker sauce is desired, cornstarch can be added, using 1/2 tablespoon per 1 cup of sauce.

Thicken by mixing cold sauce with cornstarch until dissolved, then heating in a pan over medium heat to a simmer, stirring until sauce thickens and appears translucent.

Makes 2-1/2 cups (40 tablespoons)

Nutrition information per tablespoon: 13 cal, less than 1 g fat (0 g saturated), 2 g carbo, 0 g pro, 0 g dietary fiber, 182 mg sodium

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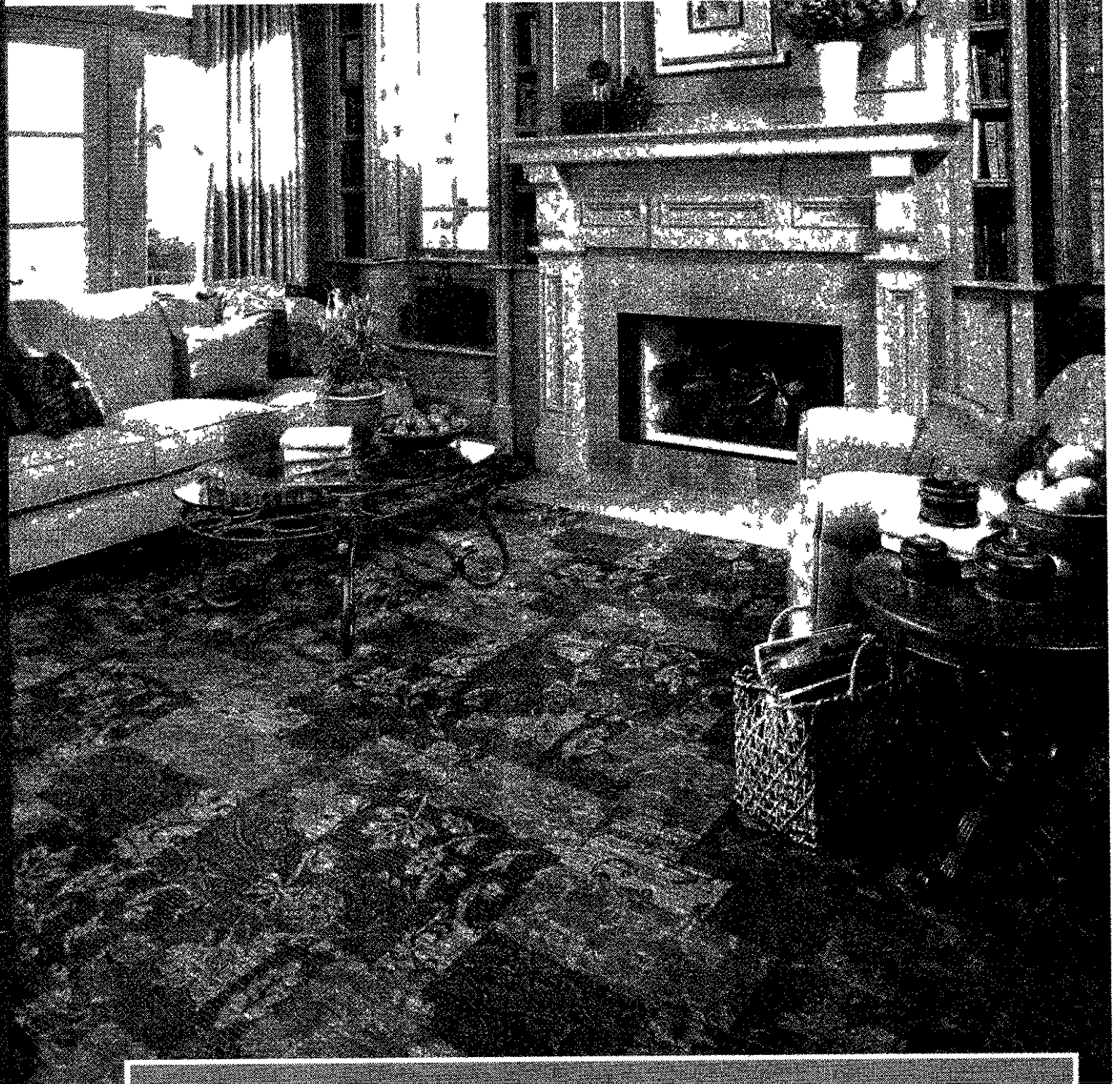
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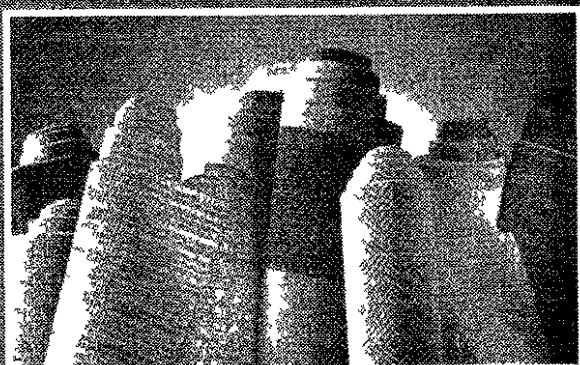
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## Chiefs earn 2nd straight district mat title

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

What do you get when you combine the brute strength of Donnie Laramie, the machine-like precision of Corey Phillips and the refuse-to-lose determination of Marwan Faraj and Konrad Konsitzke?

Answer: A second straight Division I district title for Canton's wrestling team.

One year after ending a 22-year district drought, the Chiefs proved last year's championship effort was no fluke as they knocked off Salem, 45-18, in the district final match Wednesday night at Plymouth High School.

Canton advanced to the final by upending the host Wildcats, 36-21. Salem drew a first-round bye.

Canton will ride a wave of momentum into Wednesday's D1 regional tournament at Plymouth. The two semi-final matches will start side-by-side at 5 p.m. followed by the championship showdown at 7 p.m. If all the favored teams win their district tournaments this week, Wednesday's regional will pit Canton against Salme and Novi Detroit Catholic Central against Livonia Franklin in the first-round matches.

"I think the most important thing about tonight's win was

that it solidified last year's district title," said Canton coach Casey Randolph. "We want to prove that we have a strong program, not just a team that is going to be good for one or two years."

"Both Plymouth and Salem are very dangerous teams, so I was nervous coming in tonight. But our kids rose to the level of competition they were put up against."

Laramie was his usual wrecking-ball self at 275 pounds, pinning both of his opponents Phillips (135), Faraj (160) and Konsitzke (152 and 145) — the other members of Canton's "Fantastic Four" — also won

both their matches handily. Joe Wilson (140) and Kiel Price (171) were the other Chiefs to notch two wins Wednesday night. Price's opening match against Plymouth's Vince Darolfi may have been the most exciting of the night. Darolfi held a 5-4 advantage with two seconds left when Price registered a takedown to win 6-5. The victory was big as it increased Canton's lead to 21-6.

"I thought we came out a little flat tonight and Canton won all the tight matches," said Plymouth coach Sam Amine. "They won the toss again, which was a huge advantage."

"I told the kids to leave everything they had out on the mat tonight, and I think they did that. I'm not disappointed because I think everybody gave their best effort."

In the championship showdown, Joe Wilson's 19-8 victory over Kevin Hayter gave Canton a 4-0 lead. Salem's Jake Bennett evened the count at 4-4 with an 11-3 major decision over Joe Sanders.

The Chiefs then ran off 18 straight points to grab a commanding 22-4 advantage. Konsitzke and Faraj both pinned their counterparts, and

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## A night to remember

### Harvey's 18 points lead 'Cats to win

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

A few minutes before Plymouth's game against Salem Tuesday night, Wildcat senior guard Alex Harvey escorted his mom across the court during the team's "Senior Night" ceremonies.

Once the game started, Harvey escorted his team to a crucial late-season victory.

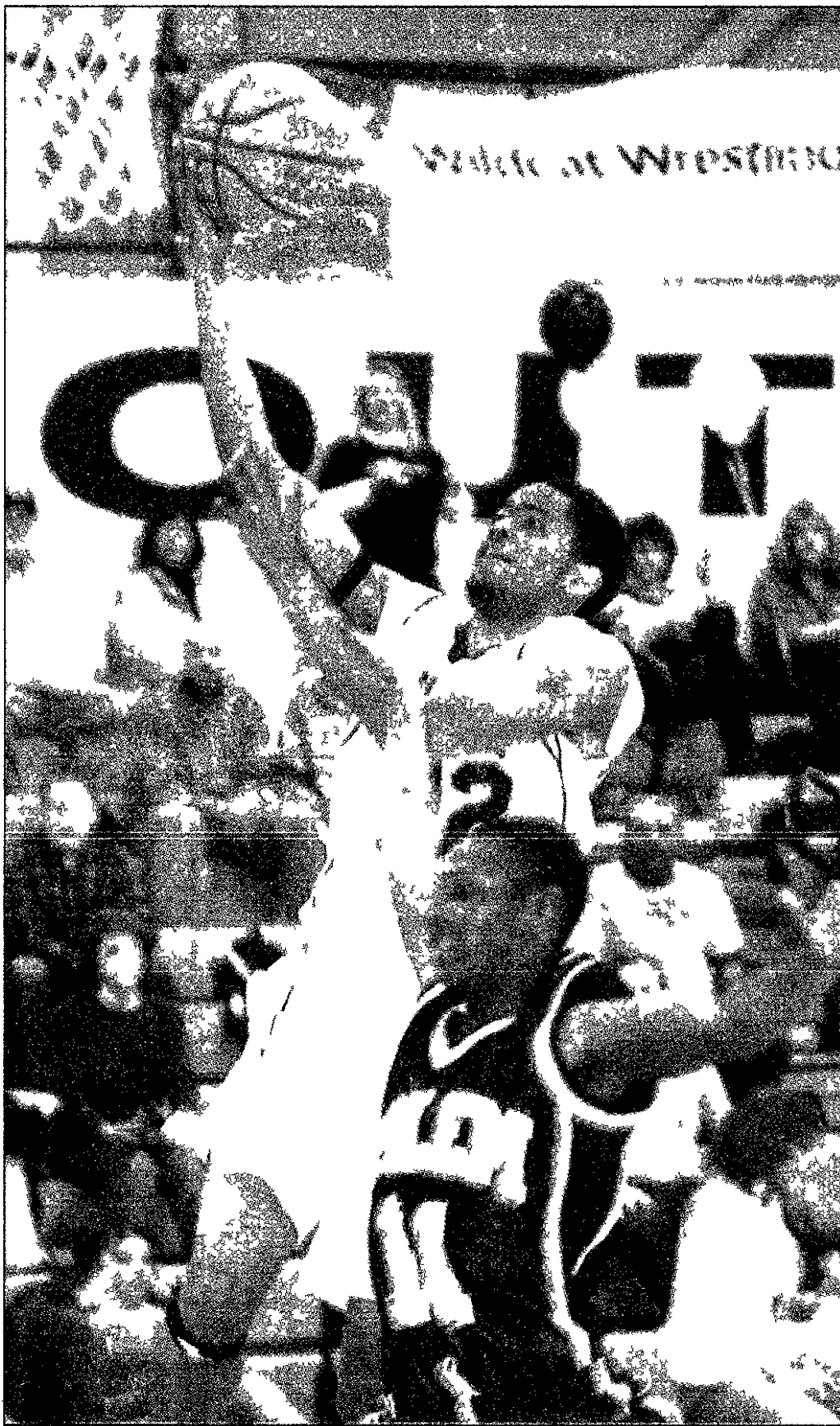
Harvey netted a career-high 18 points — nine of which were the result of three three-pointers — to lead Plymouth to a 61-50 victory over the visiting Rocks. The win, which improved Plymouth to 6-10 overall and 4-6 in the Western Lakes Activities Association, clinched a spot in next week's WLAA conference tournament for the Wildcats. Salem (3-13 and 3-7) dropped its fifth consecutive decision and fell out of contention for a conference playoff berth.

"It was Senior Night plus we were playing another team from the 'Park,' so I knew it was going to be a crazy game," said Harvey, who started the game along with the Wildcats' other four seniors — Josh Le Duc, Jim Wilbur, Brent Jones and D.J. Coleman. "Coach told us to move the ball and he said if we get an open shot, take it."

Harvey followed coach Tom Van Wagoner's instructions to a "T," burying 6-of-9 field goals. He also went 3-of-4 from the free-throw line.

Junior guard LaBroderrick Caldwell also sparkled for the Wildcats, scoring 12 of Plymouth's 15 second-quarter points on the way to a 16-point night. During one stretch of the second quarter, Caldwell single-handedly

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Plymouth senior guard D.J. Coleman scores on a fastbreak despite the defensive effort of Salem's Jierah Dixon. Coleman netted eight points in the Wildcats' 61-50 "Senior Night" victory over the Rocks.

## Scero takes his ice skills to Omaha

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

Nebraska will probably always be known more for corn and college football than hockey, but Canton native Brandon Scero is doing his best to close the recognition gap.

Scero, a 19-year-old Canton High School graduate, has played a pivotal role in the University of Nebraska-Omaha hockey program's recent ascension up the Central Collegiate Hockey Association's standings.

The Mavericks (17-11-4 overall and 11-9-4 in the CCHA) are unbeaten in their last six games thanks in large part to the play of Scero, who was named CCHA "Player of the Week" following his two-goal, three-assist performance in last weekend's two-game sweep of Northern Michigan University. The 6-foot-2, 200-pound forward tallied a key goal in Friday's 2-1 win over NMU. For an encore, he netted a goal and three assists in Saturday's 8-3 Maverick triumph.

Altogether, Scero has racked up six goals and 11 assists in 25 games following a freshman season in which he accumulated 23 points.

"Hockey is really popular here," he said. "Our crowds are unbelievable — we average about 7,000 per game — and once Nebraska's football team is done playing in December, it's just us and Creighton's basketball team."

"We're doing a lot of stuff to educate people around here about hockey, too. For instance, we have a one-day 'Hockey 101' clinic for women and there are other programs set up to help people learn



Scero

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## Jammoul a leader on mat and in classroom

BY ED WRIGHT  
STAFF WRITER

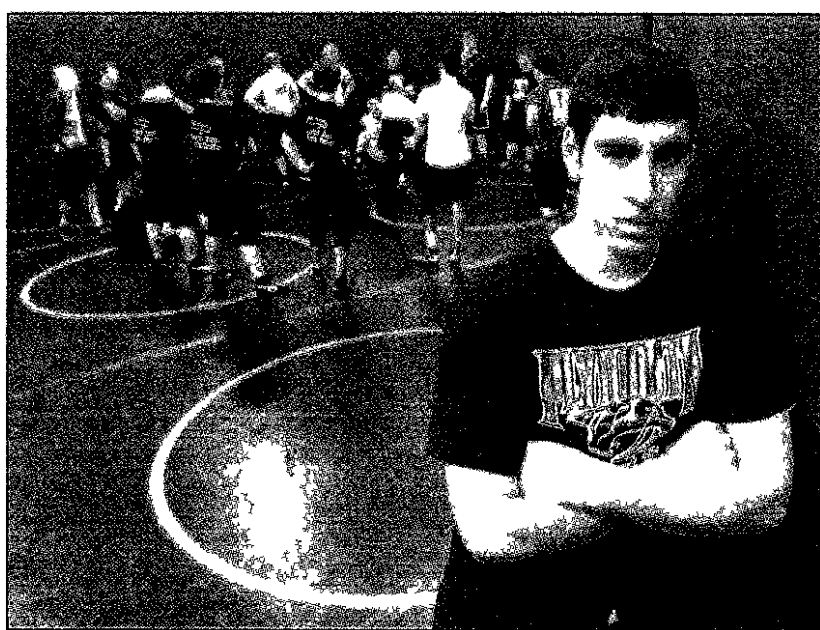
When it comes to high school wrestling reversals, Plymouth student-athlete Danny Jammoul is more than impressive.

The senior's reversal isn't a lightning-quick, from-top-to-bottom move that earned him two points from the referee.

It's been a deliberate, persistent series of actions that have garnered the respect of Jammoul's teammates and coaches over the past four years.

The reversal started in the fall of 2002 when Jammoul was approached in the Plymouth High

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BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

In four years of wrestling at Plymouth, Danny Jammoul went from knowing virtually nothing about the sport to earning the distinction of being the team's only captain during his senior season.

## Local swimmers gain D1 state meet invites

For a list of the complete results from Saturday's meet please see page C4.

Several local prep swimmers qualified for the upcoming Division I state meet thanks to their outstanding performances at Saturday's Michigan Interscholastic Swim Coaches Association meet held at Eastern Michigan University.

The lone local relay to qualify was Canton's 200-yard medley relay foursome of Nathan Phillips, Matt Carlson, Shogo Uno and Chris Marunica, which finished 25th Saturday with a time of 1:44.54. Carlson, a sophomore, also made the state cut in the 100 breaststroke with his 14th-place clocking of 1:03.65.

Carlson will be joined at the state meet by teammate Derek Schmitt, who posted a state-qualifying time of 4:57.29 in the 500 freestyle.

Plymouth's Andy Knusely, a senior, qualified in the 100 butterfly with his time of 55.70. He nearly made the state cut in the 100 breaststroke (1:04.03).

Salem's lone qualifier from Saturday's MISCA meet was Stan Chen, who stroked to a state-qualifying time of 1:03.17 in the 100 breaststroke.

## Sidelines

### Mihelick honored

Plymouth's Alex Mihelick was recently named the recipient of the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Scholar-Athlete Award, which is presented annually to 32 Class A student-athletes from throughout Michigan. The selection earned Mihelick a \$1,000 college scholarship.

Mihelick, who played football at Plymouth, will be honored on March 25 along with the other recipients at halftime of the Class C boys basketball final game at the Breslin Student Events Center in East Lansing.

To qualify for the award, applicants had to carry at least a 3.5 grade-point average, earned a letter in a varsity sport and show active participation in other school and community activities.

### Hockey pairings

The Canton and Salem boys hockey teams will both be competing in the pre-regional (6B) tournament on Monday, Feb. 27 and Wednesday, March 1, at the Novi Ice Arena. The tournament host is Northville South Lyon will join the Chiefs, Rocks and Mustangs.

On Feb. 27, Canton will face Salem at 5:30 p.m. followed by the South Lyon-Northville contest at 8 p.m. The winners of the two games will face off for the pre-regional title March 1 at 7:30 p.m. Whichever team survives the pre-regional will advance to the Region 6 title game in Ann Arbor against the pre-regional 6A tournament. That pre-region includes Ann Arbor Pioneer, Ann Arbor Huron, Brighton and Ypsilanti-Willow Run. Admission to the games will be \$5 at the door. For more information on the tournament, visit [www.mhsaa.com](http://www.mhsaa.com).

### Youth golf

Plymouth's Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center will serve as one of 105 national qualifying sites for the 2006 Mutual of Omaha Drive, Chip & Putt competition. The event, a free golf skills competition for kids between the ages of 7 and 14, will be held Thursday, July 20, at 4 p.m. at Fox Hills.

More than 35,000 youngsters throughout the country are expected to compete in the DC&P. Winners from each local event will have the opportunity to compete in regional championships.

Visit [www.TheGolfChannel.com](http://www.TheGolfChannel.com)

### WLAA volleyball

Livonia Churchill is set to host the 2006 Western Lakes Activities Association volleyball tournament Saturday, Feb. 25. Three local teams — Salem, Plymouth and Canton — will be among the 12 teams aiming for WLAA supremacy. Matches will start at 8 a.m. The teams will be divided into three four-team pools.

Following pool play, the top eight teams will advance to the playoffs.



# Canton improves WLAA seeding with 73-52 win

Canton's basketball team improved its seeding for next week's Western Lakes Activities Association basketball tournament with a resounding 73-52 victory over Livonia Stevenson Tuesday night. The win lifted the Chiefs to 12-4 overall and 8-2 in the WLAA. The Spartans slipped to 9-7 and 6-4, respectively. Canton locked up the third seed in the conference tourney.

Northville will go in as the No. 1 seed and Walled Lake Central will be No. 2. The Mustangs upended the Vikings Tuesday night. Senior guard Andre Bridges led the winners with 18 points, seven rebounds and four assists. Half of Bridges' points came from beyond the arc as he drained three long triples. Canton's scoring ledger was balanced as Andy Larsen contributed 13 points and Ryan Waidmann netted 13 points and eight rebounds. Waidmann made all six of his field-goal attempts.

Josh Butler and Neal Sharma both scored six for the Chiefs.

Tony Lenardon was red-hot for the Spartans, racking up 28 points. Lenardon drained 15-of-19 free throws. Stevenson swished 25-of-33 free throws.

Canton led 15-10 after one quarter, 32-25 at the half and 53-38 with eight minutes to play.

## PREP BASKETBALL

"They wore us down," said Stevenson coach Bill Dyer.

The Chiefs close their WLAA regular-season schedule Friday night when they host Walled Lake Northern. The opening tip is set for 7 p.m.

**ZOE 64, PCA 55:** The Warnors jumped to a 21-11 first-quarter lead and never looked back in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division game played at Plymouth. Christian Matt Saagman led the Eagles with 15 points and four assists while senior forward Ryan Barber contributed 11. Justin Govan pulled down seven rebounds and sophomore guard Trevor Zinn dished out five assists.

Joel Williams led Zoe with 15 points while Larry Houser and Juwan Shakespear each twined 13.

The victory improved Zoe to 7-7 overall and 3-4 in the conference. PCA dropped to 8-8 and 2-5, respectively.

Zoe led 33-21 at the half and 46-35 with eight minutes to play. The winners sank 4-of-13 free throws while the Eagles were successful on 9-of-12.

## 'CATS

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outscored the Rocks 12-4.

Le Duc (nine points and six rebounds) and Coleman (eight points) also turned in solid efforts in their final game in the Plymouth High School gym.

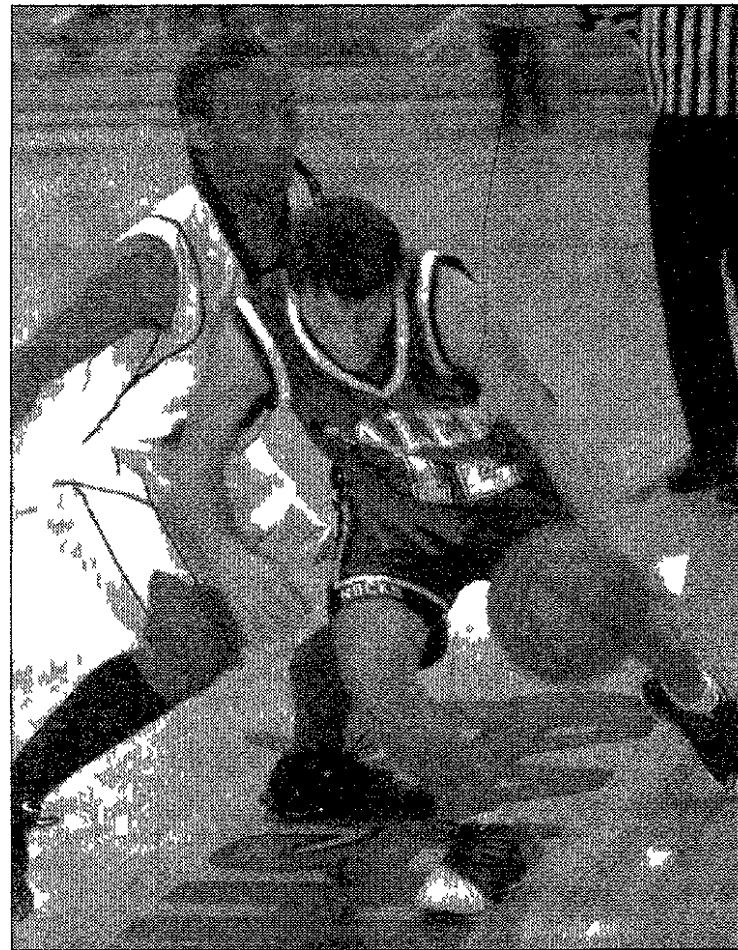
Senior guard Billy Leddy paced Salem with 14 points, five rebounds and two steals. Junior forward J.P. Truesdell added 12 points and seven boards while sophomore guard Grant Stone chipped in with 12 points and three rebounds.

Both teams were struggling offensively heading into game, but that wasn't apparent during the opening quarter which ended with the Rocks ahead, 17-14. Truesdell was 'The Man' early for Salem, pouring in six early points.

Salem padded its lead to 26-19 with five minutes left in the first half on a smooth drive by junior guard Mike Marek, but the Caldwell led Wildcats answered with a 10-0 run to surge ahead, 29-26, with 1:27 to go in the half. The Rocks grabbed a 30-29 halftime advantage thanks to a long triple from Leddy with 0:01 showing on the clock.

Harvey took over in the third quarter for Plymouth, scoring eight straight points on a pair of threes and a driving layup to give his team a 39-34 lead with 4:25 left in the quarter.

A pair of Leddy free throws brought Salem to within 43-41 with 6:29 left, but that was as



BILL BRESLER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's Mike Marek attempts to dribble around Plymouth's LaBroderick Caldwell during the second quarter of Tuesday night's 61-50 Wildcat victory. Caldwell scored 16 points.

close as the Rocks would get.

Plymouth connected on 21-of-48 field goals (43 percent) while Salem hit 14-of-40 shots (35 percent). The Rocks sizzled from the free throw line, draining 19-of-22 (86 percent). The Wildcats made 13-of-18

(72 percent) from the stripe.

Led by Caldwell's seven rebounds, Plymouth outboarded the Rocks, 26-24. Truesdell grabbed a team-high seven boards for Salem.

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a February 28, 2006 Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Tuesday, February 28, 2006 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at which time Van Buren Public Schools in Wayne County will be holding a Special School Election for the purpose of presenting a Building and Site Bond Proposition. (Only the qualified electors of the Charter Township of Canton residing in the Van Buren School District will be qualified to vote in this election. Precincts # 20 and #33.)

### VAN BUREN PUBLIC SCHOOLS WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN SPECIAL ELECTION TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2006 CANTON TOWNSHIP

#### BUILDING AND SITE BOND PROPOSITION

Shall Van Buren Public Schools, Counties of Wayne and Washtenaw, State of Michigan borrow the sum of not to exceed \$111,000,000 and issue its unlimited tax general obligations bonds therefor, for the purpose of defraying all or part of the costs of:

- (1) Purchasing land for a new Belleville High School facility and developing and improving a site and constructing, erecting, equipping, including equipping for technology and technology improvements, and furnishing thereon a new Belleville High School facility, including athletic fields and related structures, and
- (2) Preparing and improving the site of the current Belleville High School and improving and remodeling (to include partial demolition and abatement) the current Belleville High School?

The bonds shall be qualified pursuant to Section 16 of Article IX of the State Constitution of 1963. In the event the School District borrows from the State of Michigan to pay debt service on the bonds, the School District may be required to continue to levy mills beyond the term of the bonds to repay the State.

The bonds may be issued in series, with the maximum number of years any series of the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, not to exceed thirty (30) years. The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in the year 2006 is 2.90 mills (\$2.90 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond is 2.18 mills (\$2.18 per \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

(Pursuant to State Law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

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

I, **RAYMOND J. WOJTCOWICZ**, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that as of January 17, 2006 the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6 Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan as amended and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

#### WAYNE COUNTY Wayne County, Michigan

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	August 8, 2000	1 mill	2005 thru 2009
Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency	August 5, 1974 November 8, 1988 August 6, 2002	1 mill 1 mill 1.5 mills	2005 Indefinitely 2005 Indefinitely 2005 Indefinitely
Wayne County Jail	August 5, 2002	1 mill	2005 thru 2010
Wayne County Parks	August 8, 2000	0.25 mills	Thru 2005
Wayne County Community College	November 3, 1998 November 6, 2001	1 mill 1.5 mills	2002 Indefinitely 2005 thru 2010
Van Buren Township School District	October 2001 June 1998	18 mills 1.30 mills	Thru 2006 (non homest) Thru 2015

RAYMOND J. WOJTCOWICZ  
Wayne County Treasurer

#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION FOR THE VAN BUREN DISTRICT, will be held on Tuesday, FEBRUARY 28, 2006 from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. at the following polling locations:

Precinct #20	Township Fire Station # 1	1100 S. Canton Center
Precinct #33	Dodson Elementary School	205 Beck Rd

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, 2006 for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

On Monday, February 27, 2006, those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day, FEBRUARY 28, 2006.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card or contact the Clerk's office at 394-5120. You may also check your location on line at [www.canton.mi.org](http://www.canton.mi.org). Click on voting.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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DISTRICT MAT

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Price won by void

Salem's Jeremy Henderson stopped the Canton run by downing Alex Amberg, 14-3, in the 189-pound match

Alex Smith ensuing 10-3 win over Tom Bonnell re-ignited some hope for the Rocks, who trailed 22-11, but the Chiefs closed the deal by winning the next four matches

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DIVISION I TEAM DUAL DISTRICT WRESTLING TOURNAMENT Feb. 15 at Westland John Glenn

(Championship final) WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 38 BELLEVILLE 25

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(Semifinal match) WESTLAND JOHN GLENN 69 ROMULUS 6

Franklin puts headlock on WLAA mat title

BY ED WRIGHT STAFF WRITER

The Livonia Franklin wrestling team is living proof that invincibility and humility can go hand-in-hand

The dominant — yet humble — Patriots continued their two-year run through Victoryville Saturday when they captured their second consecutive Western Lakes Activities Association mat title at Plymouth High School Franklin rang up 252 points to out-distance runner-up Canton, which finished with 192 5 Plymouth (155 5) and Walled Lake Central (123 5) rounded out the top four spots

Even though Franklin is 18-3 in dual meets and has won nine of 10 tournaments this season, the Patriots don't take anyone lightly, said 119-pound junior standout Jon Roos

"We weren't real good my freshman year and we kind of came out of nowhere last year, so we don't look past anyone," said Roos, who defeated Westland John Glenn's Jared Stephens in Saturday's 119-pound final "We know what it's like to struggle because it wasn't that long ago that we were a 500 team We don't get overconfident because we know there are other teams out there that can turn it around quick like we did last year

"Our coach (Dave Chiola) is the biggest reason for our success He has taught us how important it is to come to practice every day and work hard"

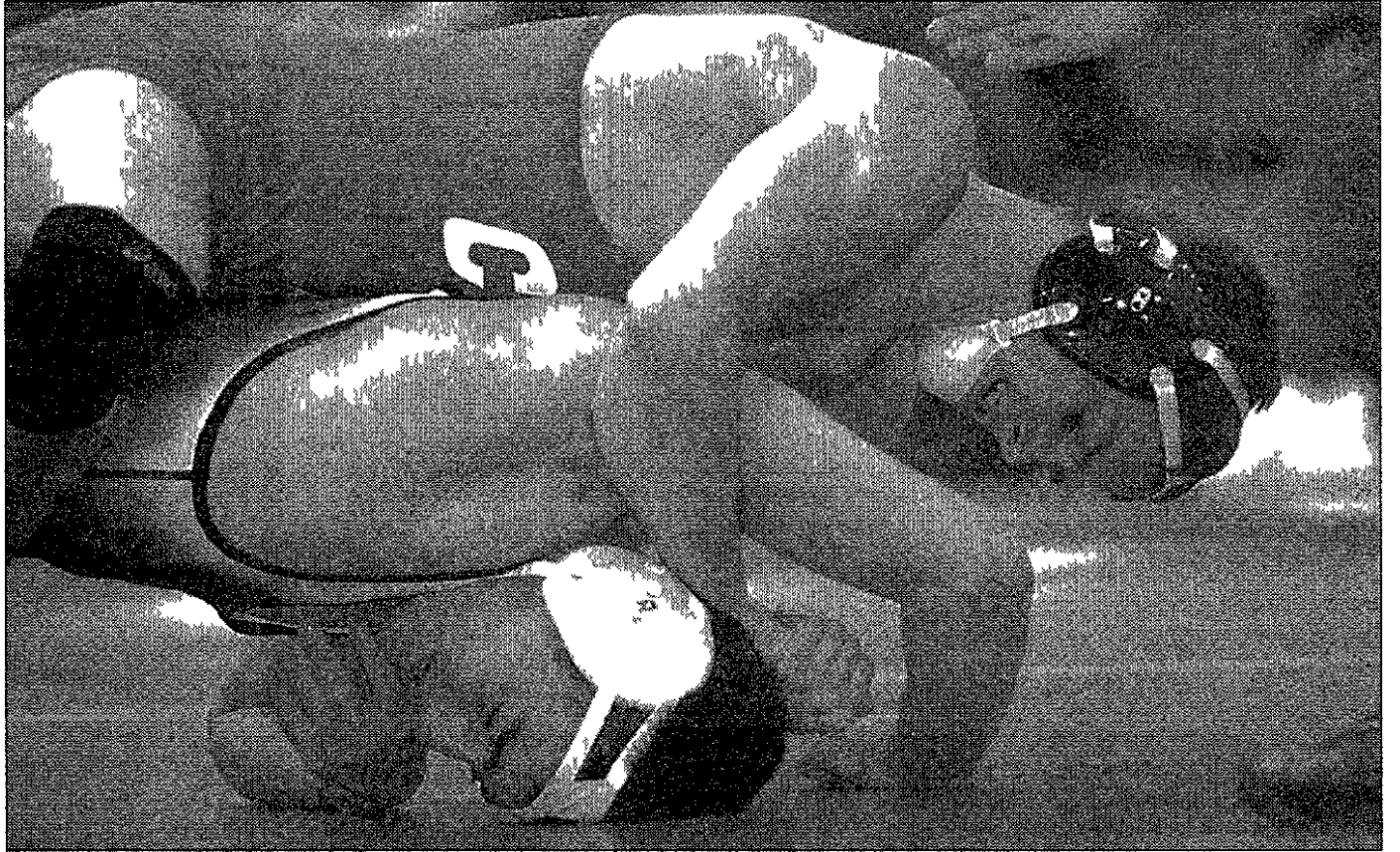
Chiola said his team's lack of superstars keeps it grounded

"These kids are never going to get arrogant or cocky because we don't have any undefeated studs or guys that only have one or two losses," Chiola said "Today went a lot like our tournaments have gone all year We improved our standing during the first two rounds and 13 of our kids ended up placing We won some big matches against some tough opponents"

Franklin advanced wrestlers to the finals in six of the 14 weight classes Joining Roos in the winner's circle was teammate Blake Karkoska, who defeated Livonia Stevenson's Cody Rize in overtime

Mike Warren (125), Josh Billiau (130), Chris VanCamp (189) and Kyle Brown (heavyweight) all earned second-place points for the Patriots

When the Plymouth gymnasium lights had dimmed late Saturday night, the second place Chiefs had three champions Corey Phillips, who pinned Franklins Billiau in the 130-pound final, Marwan Faraj, who handled Livonia Churchill's Josh Kelly, 16-8, in the 160-pound title



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Canton's Konrad Konsitzke, pictured above in action from earlier this season, placed second in the 145-pound weight class at Saturday's Western Lakes Activities Association tournament held at Plymouth High School

match, and Donnie Laramie, who pinned Franklins Brown in the heavy-weight title bout Canton's fourth finalist — Konrad Konsitzke — dropped an agonizing 6-4 overtime decision to Walled Lake Central's Kyle Kuenzel in his final match

"I thought we came out a little flat today," said Canton coach Casey Randolph "Some kids — especially Marwan Faraj — wrestled well, but overall we were flat The kid Marwan beat in the finals (Kelly) beat him 4-0 a couple of weeks ago So for him to come back and win like he did was phenomenal"

Randolph also praised the performance of last-minute 103-pound fill-in Carl Lucke, who finished third after being seeded in the bottom-half of the draw Lucke was standing in for Mike Haar, who was sick "Carl wrestled his tail off, Randolph said "Joe Sanders at 152 was a pleasant surprise, too He was seeded eighth and finished fifth"

Plymouth coach Sam Amme was pleased with his team's effort in its first WLAA tournament with seniors

"We placed 11 of our 14 wrestlers, so I

was happy with that," said Amme "We have a young team — six of our seven lower weight kids are either freshmen or sophomores — and we were without one of our best wrestlers, Taylor Fox, so I thought we did well We didn't have anyone in the finals, but we had three kids who were close

"My goal coming in was to finish in the top five I knew if we wrestled well, we could finish second or third, which is what happened"

Standouts for the Wildcats included 103-pound Santino Besco (fourth), 125-pound Amir Pakray (sixth after being seeded 11th), 152-pound John Hagar (third) and 171-pound Vince Darolfi

The highlight for Salem came in the 189-pound weight class where Jeremy Henderson won by technical fall over Van Camp of Franklin The Rocks' Jake Bennett was edged by Walled Lake Central's Jamar Leggs in the 140-pound finale

Complete results of the tournament were not available as of Tuesday night's deadline

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WLAA MAT CHAMPS

Listed below are the champions of each weight class from Saturday's Western Lakes Activities Association conference tournament:

- 103 — Jamie Preiss (Wayne)
112 — Alex Fowler (Churchill)
119 — Jon Roos (Franklin)
125 — Josh Gesev (W.L. Northern)
130 — Corey Phillips (Canton)
135 — Mike Morfitt (W.L. Northern)
140 — Jamar Leggs (W.L. Central)
145 — Kyle Kuenzel (W.L. Central)
152 — Adam Kokeriakes (Stevenson)
160 — Marwan Faraj (Canton)
171 — Blake Karkoska (Franklin)
189 — Jeremy Henderson (Salem)
215 — Chris Alexopoulos (W.L. Western)
HVY — Donnie Laramie (Canton)



Disney ON ICE advertisement for 'The Incredibles' Magic Kingdom Adventure. Includes a large illustration of the Incredibles family and Mickey Mouse characters in a hot air balloon. Text includes 'MAR. 1 - 5', 'PALACE AT AUBURN HILLS', and 'THE Observer & Eccentric NEWSPAPERS HOMETOWNLIFE.COM COLORING CONTEST'. A 'HERE'S HOW TO WIN' section describes a coloring contest with a prize of a Family Four Pack of tickets to Disney On Ice.

Advertisement for the 2nd Annual Showdown in Hockeytown. Features the Detroit Red Wings Alumni Association vs. Montreal Canadiens Alumni. Event date: Sat., February 18th @ 7:00PM at Joe Louis Arena. Lists Red Wings Alumni players: Doug Brown, Igor Larionov, John Ogrodnick, Dino Ciccarelli, Mickey Redmond & More! Includes contact information for ticket purchases and a photo of the arena.



**SCERO**

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more about the sport

During his junior and senior years of high school, Scero was a member of the elite United States National Team Developmental Program (USNTDP) which allowed him to play with and against many of the most talented amateur players in North America. He recorded the fourth highest point total on the USNTDP's under-18 squad during the 2003-04 campaign with 23 goals and 17 assists.

Playing for that program was my best hockey memory so far, both on and off the ice. Scero said of his USNTDP experience, "I would get out of school an hour early and drive to Ann Arbor for practices. It was very grueling and they worked us really hard, but it was all worth it in the end. I got a chance to play against some very good players, a lot of whom were older, so it prepared me for what I'm doing right now."

After being recruited by several CCHA schools, including Ohio State, Michigan State, Bowling Green and Miami of Ohio, Scero wound up in Omaha, which has suited him just fine. "Coming here gave me a great opportunity to contribute right away," he said. "It's 11 hours (drive time) from Canton, but my parents (Rick and Christine) have seen a lot of my games since most of the CCHA teams are in Michigan."

Scero admitted his adrenaline flows at an accelerated rate when he plays at MSU and the University of Michigan. "There's such a great hockey history at those schools," he said. "Especially at Yost Arena, where you have all the banners hanging overhead. It gets you fired up."



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Canton native Brandon Scero was named the Central Collegiate Hockey League's 'Player of the Week' on Monday after tallying two goals and three assists in the University of Nebraska Omaha's sweep of Northern Michigan University.

**THE SCERO FILE**

**Name:** Brandon Scero  
**Age:** 19  
**Hometown:** Canton  
**Current status:** Sophomore hockey player at the University of Nebraska-Omaha  
**Honors:** Named Central Collegiate Hockey League's 'Player of the Week' Monday after netting two goals and three assists in the Mavericks two-game sweep of Northern Michigan University  
**Before college:** Played for the elite United States National Team Developmental Program under-18 team for two seasons  
**Future goals:** After hockey career ends, would like to become a high school physical education instructor and hockey coach  
**Family ties:** Scero's younger sister Brittany was an All-State soccer goalie at Canton. She currently plays for Schoolcraft College.



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Salem's Autumn Collins, pictured above in a meet earlier this season, helped lead the Rocks to a narrow victory over Hartland Monday night.

**Freshman's strong night leads Rocks to victory**

Led by freshman Katie Koetting's 36.5 all-around score, Salem's gymnastics team edged Hartland, 141.75-139.60, Monday night in a meet held at Hartland High School. Koetting won the vault (9.15) and the floor exercise (9.2), and finished second on the beam (9.3).

"Overall, this was our best all-around team score," said Salem coach Dana Driscoll. "It was nice to have a little rest. We had a week off for the first time in a while, which was nice. The girls needed it and they responded. We had some

scores that could have been a little higher, but overall we did well and showed that we have a lot of potential."

Also excelling for the Rocks were Brittany Young (second on bars, third on beam and fourth on floor), Sarah Bugosh (first on beam, third on bars and fifth on floor), Autumn Collins (second on vault) and Katerina Karouts (fifth on both beam and vault).

"The big event for us tonight was the beam," Driscoll said. "We outscored them 36.65 to 34.95, so that was the difference."

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**PREP SWIMMING RESULTS**

**MICHIGAN INTERSCHOLASTIC SWIM COACHES ASSOCIATION BOYS MEET**  
 Feb 10-11 at Eastern Michigan University (first place and Observerland finishers are listed)

<p><b>200 yard medley relay:</b> 1 Midland Dow 1:37.06, 2 Livonia Stevenson 1:37.62, 25 Canton 1:44.54, 42 Salem 1:48.07, 44 Livonia Churchill 1:48.43, 45 Wayne Memorial 1:48.53</p> <p><b>200 freestyle:</b> 1 Tony Wahl (U of D Jesuit) 1:41.92, 3 Travis Hall (Stevenson) 1:44.42, 19 Nick Stone (Westland John Glenn) 1:47.82, 22 Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 1:48.77, 25 Steve Bruestle (Stevenson) 1:49.36, 27 Matt Carlson (Canton) 1:50.16, 42 Drew Randall (Churchill) 1:52.53, 52 Kyle Herman (Stevenson) 1:54.00</p> <p><b>200 individual medley:</b> 1 Sho Koba (A Pioneer) 1:56.27, 47 Nick Landis (Canton) 2:11.22</p> <p><b>50 freestyle:</b> 1 Cody Stinnett (St. Johns) 21.33, 4 Matt Wassman (Stevenson) 21.85, Dave Godzinski (Stevenson) 22.25, 45 Shogo Uno (Canton) 23.57</p> <p><b>1-meter diving:</b> 1 David Garry (Warren DeLaSalle) 445.50</p> <p><b>100 butterfly:</b> 1 Tony Wahl (U of D Jesuit) 49.87, 2 Travis Hatt (Stevenson) 51.41, Steve Bruestle (Stevenson) 53.44, 23 Andy Knisely (Plymouth) 55.70, 25 Robert Luke (Stevenson) 55.89, 30 Shogo Uno (Canton)</p>	<p>5:00 freestyle 1 Cody Stinnett (St. Johns) 4:06.51, 11 Matt Massman (Stevenson) 49.05, 32 Nick Leone (Salem) 50.59</p> <p><b>5:00 freestyle:</b> 1 Ricky Forrest (Lake Orion) 4:38.37, 16 Derek Schmitt (Canton) 4:57.29, 19 Nick Stone (John Glenn) 4:58.38, 32 Drew Randall (Churchill) 5:05.38, 35 Nick Landis (Canton) 5:06.47, 38 Matt Underhill (Salem) 5:07.28, 44 Kyle Herman (Stevenson) 5:09.53, 58 Mike Cruce (Stevenson) 5:15.45, 60 Charles Turlo (Stevenson) 5:22.89</p> <p><b>200 freestyle relay:</b> 1 Stevenson 1:27.03, 24 Canton 1:33.37, 41 Churchill 1:35.15, 46 John Glenn 1:35.63, 50 Salem 1:36.18, 51 Wayne Memorial 1:36.19</p> <p><b>100 backstroke:</b> 1 Gabe Strickler (Midland Dow) 52.13, 11 Jeff Pauza (Stevenson) 55.54, 14 Robert Luke (Stevenson) 56.71, 47 Robert Blaesser (Canton) 1:00.28</p> <p><b>100 breaststroke:</b> 1 Brad Craig (Midland Dow), 57.59, 3 Dave Godzinski (Stevenson) 1:00.32, 11 Stan Chen (Salem) 1:03.17, 14 Matt Carlson (Canton) 1:03.65, 19 Andy Knisely (Plymouth) 1:04.27, 42 Joe Wingett (Stevenson) 1:06.31, 49 Mark Gordon (Churchill) 1:07.66</p> <p><b>400 freestyle relay:</b> 1 A.A. Pioneer 3:12.20, 10 Stevenson 3:21.78, 42 Salem 3:32.35, 46 John Glenn 3:33.46, 47 Canton, 3:34.77, 48 Wayne Memorial 3:35.14</p>
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**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
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 PA at Southfield Christian 7:30 p.m.  
 W.L. Northern at Canton 7 p.m.  
 Salem at Wayne Memorial 7 p.m.  
**BOYS SWIMMING**  
 Thursday, Feb 16  
 Plymouth at Canton 7 p.m.  
**BOYS WRESTLING**  
 Thursday, Feb 16  
 Salem at Livonia Churchill 7 p.m.  
**Saturday Feb 18**  
 Canton at Individual Districts  
 at Saline 9 a.m.  
**GIRLS GYMNASTICS**  
**Saturday Feb 18**  
 Canton at T.C. Central 11 a.m.  
**ICE HOCKEY**  
**Friday Feb 17**  
 Canton at Livonia Franklin  
 at Eddie Edgar Arena 6 p.m.  
 PS 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**  
**Saturday Feb 18**  
 PG at U.M. Dearborn Tourney 9 a.m.  
 Canton at Ladywood Invite 9 a.m.  
**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**Wednesday Feb 15**  
 Mdonja at Cornerstone 7:30 p.m.  
 Kijland CC at Schoolcraft 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday, Feb. 18**  
 Siena Heights at Madonna 3 p.m.  
 Mcomb CC at Schoolcraft 3 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL**  
**Wednesday, Feb 15**  
 Kijland CC at Schoolcraft 5:30 p.m.  
 Cornerstone at Madonna 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday Feb 18**  
 Madonna at Siena Heights 1 p.m.  
 Mcomb CC at Schoolcraft 1 p.m.  
**ONTARIO HOCKEY LEAGUE**  
**Friday Feb 17**  
 Whalers at Oshawa Generals 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday Feb 18**  
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**JAMMOUL**

FROM PAGE C1

School weight room by wrestling coach Sam Amine, who was recruiting athletes for his first-year program.

"I was a basketball player who knew nothing about wrestling when coach Amine first talked to me, Jammoul remembered. "I thought it was the kind of wrestling that was on TV. He asked me to come to tryouts and if I didn't like it, we'd shake hands and that would be it."

**GOOD 1ST IMPRESSION**

Like the boy in the Life cereal commercials, Jammoul tried it and liked it. He just wasn't very good at it in the beginning.

"I got beat up a lot my freshman year," he said. "I was wrestling against a lot of older guys who were stronger than me and had better technique. For a while, I'd ask myself if it was worth it. I'd walk out of the wrestling room after practice totally exhausted. But after my sophomore year, all thoughts of not wrestling dropped out of my mind. I was committed to putting the time in that

would help me get better. It didn't take long before Amine became a fan of Jammoul's work habits, which he displayed long after the official wrestling season would end in March.

Danny made himself better by working hard in the off-season, said Amine. "I open up the wrestling room for a couple of months after the season ends. Last year, I had four or five former state champions working out in there, and Danny learned a lot from them."

**LONG PATH TO SUCCESS**

Amine said Jammoul has come a long way since the two first crossed paths.

"The first time I met him when he was in the ninth grade, he was kind of a chunky kid," Amine said. "I never thought that one day he'd be the wrestler he is today."

Even today, Danny isn't a superstar, but he's one of those kids that works his butt off and gives 110 percent every day at practice. He's the same way in the classroom that he is on the mat. He's not satisfied unless he reaches his goal. If he doesn't get an A on a test, he's upset.

**CAPTAIN DANNY**

Jammoul, who has wrestled at 189 pounds this season after competing at 215 as a junior, is so highly thought of by Amine and his teammates that he was selected as the team's lone captain this season.

"There's not much I can ask the kid that he won't do," said Amine. "If I have to step out of practice for a couple of minutes, he'll take over. And he makes sure that no one dogs it while I'm gone."

Jammoul said wrestling has taught him lessons that will endure for the rest of his life.

"The most important thing I've learned from wrestling is self-discipline," he said. "I watch what I eat now a lot more than I used to. I don't eat fast food and I rarely eat

foods that aren't good for me. The other day, we had pizza and I could barely eat three pieces."

**WORTH A TRY**

Jammoul did something this past fall that few high school seniors try for the first time — he played football. Although he didn't start for the state playoffs-bound Wildcats, his name was one of the first called when a substitute offensive lineman was needed.

"I got so much out of playing football this year," he said. "I'm a better athlete, a better person and a better leader because of my one year of football. The team was like one big family. I wish I would have played it sooner."

Jammoul is a solid student, having compiled a 3.3 grade-

point average over his first three-plus years at Plymouth. He especially enjoys his ecology and honors physics classes.

"I like math and physics, but I like physics more because you can actually apply the math to something," he said.

Jammoul has applied to Michigan State University, where he said he may attempt to walk on to the wrestling team if he's accepted.

"If it worked out, that would be great," he said. "If not, at least I got to wrestle four years here at Plymouth. It's been an experience I wouldn't trade for anything."

Amine would second that statement.

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**Charter Township of Canton Public Notice of Accuracy Test**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the Van Buren School District Election on Tuesday, February 28, 2006. The test will take place on Wednesday, February 22, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, Township Administration Building, 1150 South Canton Center Road. This test is open to all interested parties. For further information, contact Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk  
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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S. Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 9th, 2006 for the following:

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# Salem 2nd at T-B tournament

The competition was stiff at Saturday's Temperance Bedford Invitational volleyball tournament but Salem was up to the challenge.

The Rocks finished second in the talent-heavy tourney advancing to the finals before falling to the host Kicking Mules in three games.

Salem opened with a 23-25, 25-13, 15-13 victory over Chelsea before dropping a tough 25-23, 10-25, 17-15 setback to Fraser. The Rocks finished pool play with sweeping wins over Farmington (25-22 and 25-20) and Salme (25-11 and 25-23).

In the quarterfinals, the Rocks knocked off state-ranked Livonia Churchill for the second time this year — 25-19 and 25-15 — before extinguishing Ann Arbor Pioneer, 25-17, 25-27 and 15-13.

Temperance-Bedford, which was ranked No. 2 in Division 1 last week, defeated Salem 25-20 and 25-21 in the championship match.

Several Salem players enjoyed stellar afternoons, including Courtney Seiler (71 digs), Jansan Falcuson (133 assists), Lauren Price (66 kills, 49 digs, 12 service aces and nine blocks), Teresa Coppellie (83 kills, 57 digs and nine blocks), Lauren Kurtz (15 blocks and 23 kills) and Shannon Rusin (25 kills and nine blocks).

It was a great day all around, said Salem coach Amanda Suder.

**SALEM 3, WAYNE MEMORIAL 0.** The Rocks improved their record to 37-7-1 overall and 9-0 in the Western Lakes Activities Association with a convincing sweep of the Zebras 25-16, 25-11 and 25-11. Several Salem players excelled, including Price (12 digs, 11 kills and five aces), Coppellie (11 digs and 13 kills), Kelly Behr (eight digs), Falcuson (17 assists) and Ashley Hayes (seven assists, six digs and one ace).

**NORTHVILLE 3, PLYMOUTH 0.** The

Wildcats were swept at home by Northville on "Senior Night", 25-16, 25-20 and 25-23. The loss dropped Plymouth to 28-8 overall.

The Wildcats' eight seniors were honored in a ceremony prior to the contest.

The girls were excited and motivated to come out and play for their last home match but, unfortunately, Northville's outstanding defense at the net quickly turned a great night into a disappointing one, said Plymouth coach Kelly McCausland. This loss also knocked us out of contention for the leagues Western Division championship, which Northville deservedly won. Steve (Anderson) has done a great job with his group of girls and we were not evenly matched up with them offensively.

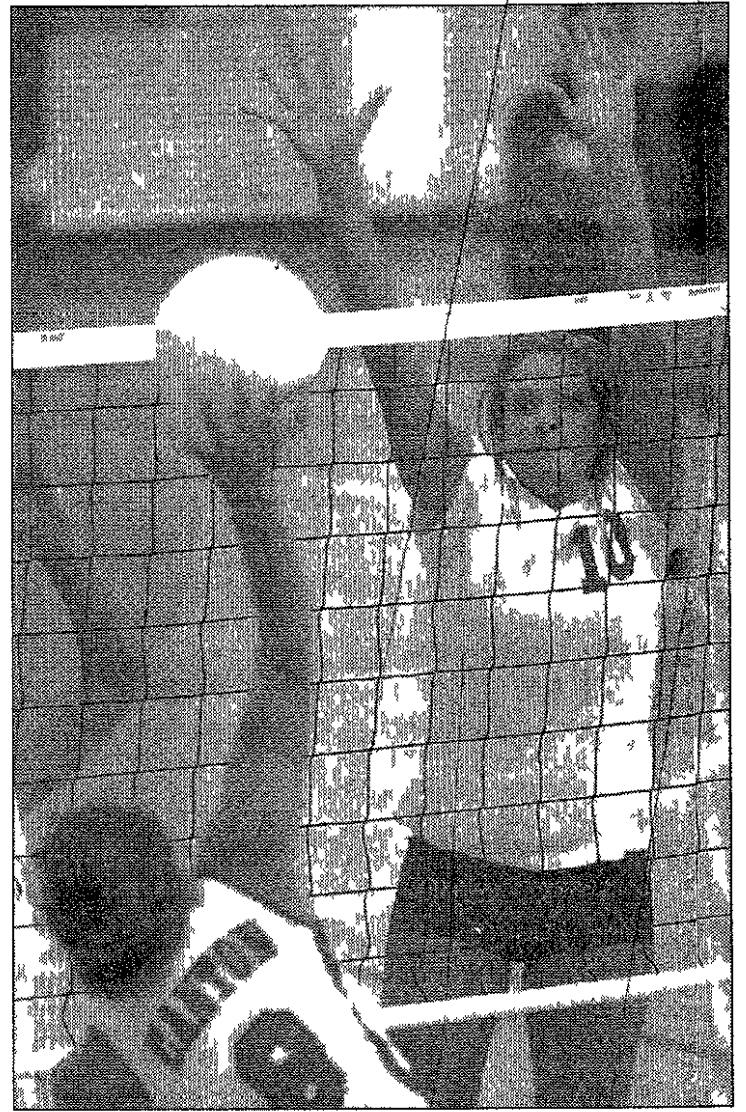
As a group, we have struggled with injuries throughout the season, but I believe that, in a way, this group has grown and has learned many valuable lessons from our adversities. They have learned what teamwork really is and they have reacted well to the changes made in the line-up. Our opponents have just been able to execute their offense better than we could.

Excelling for the Wildcats were Lindsay Vogelsberg (17 digs and no reception errors), Brandi Swyhart (15 digs), Chelsey Quinlan (10 for-10 serving), Janet Hanchett (10-for-10 serving), Sarah Haskins (22 set assists), Brittney Hengsh (nine kills) and Jackie Dorre (eight kills).

**W. NORTHERN 3, CANTON 0.** On Monday the Knights swept the visiting Chiefs 25-9, 25-21 and 25-20 in a WLA cross-over match-up.

"The girls are getting better every match," said Canton coach Kristi Drinkhahn. The improvement we've made since the beginning of the season is great.

Drinkhahn praised the play of



TOM HAWLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Salem's Shannon Rusin, pictured above in a match earlier this season, helped lead the Rocks to a second-place showing in Saturday's Temperance-Bedford Invitational.

Heidi Herendeen (12 assists), Lisa Western and Krista Holcomb (five digs, five service receptions and four solo blocks).

The Chiefs will compete in the Livonia Ladywood Varsity Invitational on Saturday.

**PCA 3, ROEPER 0.** The Eagles swept the Roughriders, 25-14, 25-8 and 25-18, to improve their record to 22-15 overall and 7-3 in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference's Blue Division, where they finished in second place.

Everyone played amazing," said PCA coach Missy Henry. "It was a great night for everyone. Shinning for the Eagles were Kelsie Tietjen (15 kills, 15 digs,

eight service points and two blocks), Rachel Ward (seven kills, five digs, two blocks and five service points), Julie Bahbah (18 digs, six kills and eight service points), Brook Harris (15 assists, six digs and 14 service points), Bre Ruark (15 digs, six kills, 11 assists and nine service points) and Stephanie Auwers (three kills and four service points).

On Saturday, the Eagles placed second at the Whitmore Lake Invitational. PCA fell in the finals to Class A Birmingham Seaholm.

PCA will return to action Saturday at the U-M Dearborn Invitational.



## CITY OF PLYMOUTH Amelia Row P.U.D. ORDINANCE NO. 06-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 78 THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ZONING MAP (SECTION 78 27) IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT

### THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS

SECTION 1 Section 78 27 in Article II Zoning Districts in Chapter 78 "Zoning" in the Code of Ordinance of the City of Plymouth is hereby amended by changing the following described parcels from 1 2 Heavy Industrial to PUD Planned Unit Development

### SECTION 2 The parcels are described as

PARCEL 1 LOTS 17 THROUGH 24 BOTH INCLUSIVE ALSO LOTS 54 AND 56 AND WEST 35 00 FEET LOT 55 ALSO LOTS 57 THROUGH 60 BOTH INCLUSIVE AND ALL OF VACATED BLANCHE STREET TO THE NORTH OF LOT 20 AND TO THE SOUTH OF LOT 57 GRAVEL HILL SUBDIVISION ON THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26 TOWN 1 SOUTH RANGE 8 EAST IN PLYMOUTH VILLAGE (NOW CITY OF PLYMOUTH) WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN AS RECORDED IN LIBER 21 OF PLATS PAGE 54 WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS CONTAINING 102 592 SQUARE FEET OF 2 36 ACRES OF LAND

PARCEL 2 LOTS 10 11 AND LOT 12 EXCEPT THAT PART THEREOF DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE WESTERLY LINE OF AMELIA STREET WHICH SAID POINT IS ALSO THE EASTERN MOST CORNER OF SAID LOT 12 AND THE NORTHERN MOST CORNER OF LOT 7 RUNNING THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 12 90 FEET TO THE WESTERN MOST CORNER OF LOT 9 THENCE NORTHWESTERLY PARALLEL WITH SAID WESTERLY LINE OF AMELIA STREET 6 FEET THENCE NORTHEASTERLY PARALLEL WITH SAID FIRST BOUNDARY LINE 90 FEET TO SAID WESTERLY LINE OF AMELIA STREET; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID WESTERLY LINE OF AMELIA STREET 6 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, AND ALL OF LOTS 13 14 15 AND 16 OF GRAVEL HILL SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 21 PAGE(S) 54 OF PLATS WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS CONTAINING 39 513 SQUARE FEET OR 0 91 ACRES OF LAND

PARCEL 3 PART OF LOT 111, ASSESSOR'S PLYMOUTH PLAT NO 5 OF PART OF NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26 TOWN 1 SOUTH RANGE 8 EAST PLYMOUTH VILLAGE (NOW CITY OF PLYMOUTH) WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 64 OF PLATS PAGE 29 WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 111 THENCE S52°00'00" W (RECORDED AS S53°31'00" W) 90 84 FEET ALONG THE NORTHWESTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF NORTH MAIN STREET (66 FEET WIDE) THENCE N19°08'59" W 185 05 FEET THENCE N51°58'22" E 31 15 FEET THENCE ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 111 S37°58'08" E (RECORDED AS 36°29'00" E) 175 13 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING SUBJECT TO AND TOGETHER WITH AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS OVER AND ACROSS THE NORTHWESTERLY 25 FEET TO LOT 12 OF GRAVEL HILL SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN LIBER 21 PAGE(S) 54 OF PLATS WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS CONTAINING 10 682 SQUARE FEET OR 0 25 ACRES OF LAND

PARCEL 4 PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26 TOWN 1 SOUTH RANGE 8 EAST CITY OF PLYMOUTH WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN AND A PART OF LOT 111 ASSESSOR'S PLYMOUTH PLAT NO 5 OF PART OF NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 26 TOWN 1 SOUTH RANGE 8 EAST PLYMOUTH VILLAGE (NOW CITY OF PLYMOUTH) WAYNE COUNTY MICHIGAN, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 64 OF PLATS PAGE(S) 29 WAYNE COUNTY RECORDS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS BEGINNING AT A POINT ON THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 111 DISTANT N37°58'08" W (RECORDED AS N36°29'00" W) 175 13 FEET FROM THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 111 AND PROCEEDING THENCE S51°58'22" W 31 15 FEET THENCE N 19°08'59" W 794 78 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF FARMER STREET (50 FEET WIDE) THENCE N 85°45'14" E 30 50 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE THENCE S19°08'59" E 776 86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING CONTAINING 23 159 SQUARE FEET OR 0 53 ACRES OF LAND

Subject to Easements and Restrictions of Record

SECTION 3 The Planned Unit Development is further described as two three story buildings one four story building and three accessory carport structures for a total of six buildings as depicted on the plans described as

SHEET NAME	SHEET NO.	SHEET DATE
Title Sheet and General Information	T1	07/19/05
Preliminary Grading and Utility Plan	SP1	07/19/05
Sedimentation and Soil Erosion Plan	SP2	07/19/05
Boundary/Topographic Survey	SP3	07/19/05
Landscape Plan and Details	L1	07/19/05
Photometric Study	PS1	07/19/05
Lighting Specifications	PS2	07/19/05
Building "A" First Level Floor Plan	A3 1 A	07/19/05
Building "A" Second Level Floor Plan	A3 2 A	07/19/05
Building "A" Third Level Floor Plan	A3 3 A	07/19/05
Building "A" Fourth Level		
Mezzanine Floor Plan	A3 4 A	07/19/05
Building "A" Roof Plan	A3 5 A	07/19/05
Building "A" East & West Elevations	A5 1 A	07/19/05
Building "A" North & South Elevations	A5 2 A	07/19/05
Building "A" Building Sections	A6 1 A	07/19/05
Building "B" First Level Floor Plan	A3 1 B	07/19/05
Building "B" Second Level Floor Plan	A3 2 B	07/19/05
Building "B" Third Level Floor Plan	A3 3 B	07/19/05
Building "B" Roof Plan	A3 4 B	07/19/05
Building "B" East & West Elevations	A5 1 B	07/19/05
Building "B" North & South Elevations	A5 2 B	07/19/05
Building "B" Building Sections	A6 1 B	07/19/05
Building "C" First Level Floor Plan	A3 1 C	07/19/05
Building "C" Second Level Floor Plan	A3 2 C	07/19/05
Building "C" Third Level Floor Plan	A3 3 C	07/19/05
Building "C" Fourth Level Floor Plan	A3 4 C	07/19/05
Building "C" Mezzanine Floor Plan	A3 5 C	07/19/05
Building "C" Roof Plan	A3 6 C	07/19/05
Building "C" East & South Elevations	A5 1 C	07/19/05
Building "C" North & West Elevations	A5 2 C	07/19/05
Building "C" Building Sections	A6 1 C	07/19/05

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SECTION 4 Rights and duties which have matured penalties which have incurred proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this ordinance are not affected or abated by this ordinance.

SECTION 5 Should any section clause or paragraph of this ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid the same will not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or part thereof other than the part declared invalid.

SECTION 6 All other ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are to the extent of such inconsistencies hereby repealed.

SECTION 7 This ordinance shall become effective after adoption and publication thereof.

DAN DWYER MAYOR LINDA LANGMESSER CITY CLERK

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Notice is hereby given that the following units will be sold to the highest bidder by way of open auction on 03/03/06 at approximately 9 00 a m or there after at the following locations

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4207	McGhee	Household Items
4209	Hayes	Household Items
4253	Diaz	Household Items
4294	Jacobs	Household Items
5218	Wilkins	Household Items
6003	Hall	Household Items
7002	Gregory	20 Flatted Trailer
9040	Dean	Household Items

Shurgard Storage of Canton South* 45229 Michigan Ave*Canton* 734 398 5416		
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5143	Davis	Household items
4036	Fredrick	Household items
2015	Hlavacek	Vehicle/hld items
4016	multa racial	Learning/dev
4110	Purnell	Household items
4205	Tigner	Household items

Shurgard Storage of Dearborn*24920 Trowbridge*Dearborn*313 277 2000		
1172	Carr	Household items
1220	Fowler	Household items
2060	Crawford	Household items
2290	Dodson	Household items

Shurgard Storage of Livonia*30300 Plymouth Rd*Livonia*734 522 7811		
101	Mason	Household Items
201	Lyons	Household Items
2121	Taylor	Household Items
3003	Lawless	Household Items
3014	Robbins	Household Items
3020	Donaldson	Household Items
3080	Northington	Household Items
3120	Karpanowski	Household Items
4130	Flumerfelt	Household Items
9043	Marks	Household Items

Shurgard Storage of Taylor*9300 Pelham Rd* Taylor*313 292 2950		
3057	Burch	Household
3033	Compeau	Household
6011	Farray	Household
3082	Height	Household
9068	Hinojosa	Household
9092	Kellerman	Household
6070	Manville	Household
6109	Rogers	Household
3036	Ryan	Household
4057	Ryan	Household
3034	Smith	Household
2003	Smith	Household
4028	VanderWalker	Household
6055	Walker	Household
9027	Walters	Household
7082	Wolfe	Household

Shurgard Storage of Westland*36001 Warren* Westland*734 326 6000		
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4066	COLEMAN	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
5010	GRIFFIN	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
3116	HENDON JENKINS	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
3014	HOCKENBERRY	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
3020	HOLT	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
6030	JOHNSON	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
1218	THOMAS	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
3150	VALIND	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
1082	WHITLEY	HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

Shurgard Storage of Plymouth *41889 Joy Rd*Canton*734 459 2200		
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1029	VICKI LANDIS	HOUSEHOLD
1035	DOMINADOR REYES	HOUSEHOLD
3052	CHARLES BELL JR	HOUSEHOLD
3063	JOHN BICKNELL	HOUSEHOLD
5003	TAUNAEADIE	HOUSEHOLD
9165	DAPHANI DENT	HOUSEHOLD

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

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

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

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON REQUEST FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton 1150 Canton Center S Canton Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3 00 p m Thursday March 9th, 2006 for the following:

**BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICE 2006**

Bid forms may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department counter or you may contact Mike Sheppard at (34) 394 5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name company name address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race color national origin sex religion age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

**TERRY G BENNETT, CLERK**

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### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH NOTICE OF HEARING ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Hearings are by appointment please call 354 3287 between 8 am and 4 30 pm for an appointment.

**Tuesday, March 7 9 am Noon Organizational Meeting**  
2 pm 5 pm Hearings by Appointment

**Monday, March 13 2 pm 5 pm Hearings by Appointment**  
6 pm 9 pm Hearings by Appointment

**Wednesday, March 15 9 am - Noon Hearings by Appointment**  
2 pm - 5 pm Hearings by Appointment

**Saturday, March 18 9 am - 11 am First Come First Served**

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board. A personal appearance is not required. Appeals by mail will be accepted if received by March 18 2006.

The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth Township Hall 42350 Ann Arbor Road Plymouth MI 48170.

Please come prepared as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board of Review will be strictly adhered to.

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# Michalek's goal winner as Plymouth nips Canton

Justin Michalek's goal with 3:36 remaining proved to be the game-winner in Plymouth's 4-3 victory over Canton Friday night in a game played at the Arctic Edge Arena.

Michalek secured a pass from Billy Gauthier then wristed the puck past Canton goalie Nick Basel.

The Chiefs scored with 20 seconds left to momentarily deadlock the game at 4-4, however, the goal was disallowed as the referees ruled the net had been knocked off its bearings.

The victory improved Plymouth's record to 12-5-3 overall and 4-2-1 in the Western Lakes Activities Association.

Mike Barile tallied the first of his two goals with 5:01 remaining in the first period to put Plymouth ahead, 1-0. Barile was assisted by Ryan Stamm and Gauthier. Nick Cote padded the Wildcats' lead to 2-0 one minute later after getting a helper from Michalek.

The Chiefs cut their deficit in half — 2-1 — 24 seconds later on Kevin Tollison's lamp-lighter from Kyle Kowalski and Brett Giacomino.

Canton's Chris Wies knotted the contest at 2-2 1:15 into the second period on an assist from Pat Gallagher. Gallagher then scored a little more than five minutes into the third period to put the Chiefs ahead, 3-2.

He was assisted by Andy Barylski. The lead was short-lived as Plymouth made it 3-3 off the ensuing face-off when Barile scored off a wrist that was assisted by Joe Perkovich.

The game then went back and forth before Michalek won it with his late-game heroics.

Junior Justin Desilets earned the win between the pipes for the Wildcats.

**W.L. NORTHERN 5, SALEM 4.** The Knights tallied four third-period goals to upend visiting Salem, 5-4, Saturday afternoon in a Western Lakes Activities Association game played at the Lakeland Ice Arena.

The game-winner came off the stick of the Knights' Al Harvey, who was assisted by Lee Downs.

Kris Brant had an outstanding game for the Rocks, recording a hat-trick. Brant's first goal, which was assisted by Steve Heiser and Tony Garbarino, opened the scoring with 11:27 left in the opening period. His second goal came with 3:42 left in the second period and gave the Rocks a 2-1 advantage.

Heiser scored Salem's final goal with 18 seconds left in the game. Angelo Constantino, David Carey and John Hoetscher notched assists for Salem.

Mark Barkoff suffered the loss in goal for the Rocks. **LIVONIA FRANKLIN 2, PLYMOUTH 1:** On Saturday, the Patriots scored two first-period goals then hung on for a WLAA victory in a game played at the Compuware Sports Arena. Brad Pump and Dan Kozlowski found the back of the net for the winners.

Plymouth's lone goal came off the stick of Jon Knoerl, who was assisted by Charlie Webb and Nick Rosochacki. Both goalies shined. Desilets recorded 33 saves while Franklin's Joe Garbutt turned away 29 shots.

"It was our fourth game in eight days, so we had that working against us," said Plymouth coach Chuck Dubois. "We had some bad penalties, too. The kids played hard, though. We just couldn't put the puck in the net."

**W.L. NORTHERN 9, PLYMOUTH 7.** On Feb. 7, the Knights overcame a second-period deficit with five consecutive goals to record a key WLAA win over the Wildcats.

Plymouth led 3-2 after one period before the Knights rebounded to grab a 6-5 advantage with 15 minutes to play.

Chris Bluck and Desilets split time in net for the Wildcats, who received goals from Jason O'Gunn (two), Rosochacki, Knoerl, Adam Lazorka, Barile and Cote. Rosochacki also picked up a pair of assists.

# Short-handed Whalers edge Barrie, 3-2

**Short bench? So what?** The Plymouth Whalers found a way to get the job done and defeated the Barrie Colts, 3-2, in an Ontario Hockey League game played Saturday night before 2,980 at the Compuware Sports Arena.

Plymouth won in spite of playing without eight players who were missing due to injury or suspension.

John Vigilante (24th of the season), James Neal (14th) and

Andrew Fournier (14th) scored first-period goals for Plymouth to build a 3-0 lead after one period of play. The Whalers protected the lead the rest of the way, with first star Justin Garay stopping 35 of 37 Barrie shots.

Todd Perry scored in the second period for Barrie with his fourth of the season, while Ryan Hamilton added his team-leading 34th of the year in the third period.

But Barrie couldn't find the

equalizer and is now 33-16-1-3, good for 70 points and first place in the OHL's Central Division.

In winning, the Whalers (now 27-23-1-3) padded their lead in first place in the OHL West. Plymouth is three points up on idle Saginaw (27-24-1-0) and four points ahead of third-place Windsor (24-23-3-3).

Plymouth won the game without Justin Peters, Derek Merhni, Evan Brophy and

Gino Pisellini — all suspended for fighting in the Whalers' 3-0 win in London Friday night — and without injured players Dan Collins, Tom Sestito, Ryan McGinnis and Ryan Stephenson.

After Vigilante scored on a partial breakaway at 11:59 of the first period, Neal scored on a power play at when he tapped in a rebound by Barrie goaltender Dan LaCosta at 15:26. Then Fournier stripped the puck off a

Barrie defender and beat LaCosta with a backhander for an unassisted goal at 17:31.

Fournier did an effective defensive job on Barrie center Bryan Little (86 points).

The Whalers are off until next Friday night when they play in Owen Sound. Plymouth's next home game is Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Compuware Sports Arena when it hosts Guelph. Tickets are available by calling (734) 453-8400.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

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FEBRUARY

Bible study groups

The Wednesday group meets 10 a.m. to noon on the first and third Wednesday of each month the Thursday group 7 9 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of each month (Feb 16) in the rectory at St. Michael's the Archangel Catholic Church Plymouth and Hubbard Livonia The Wednesday group is studying Women of Courage in the Bible the Thursday group The Letters of St. Paul from Prison Classes are small and informal and based on the Little Rock

Scripture Series For information call (734) 261 1455

Vacation Bible school

Summer ministries preview 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday Feb 18 at Ward Church 40000 Six Mile Northville Preview Vacation Bible School curriculum and get tips on organizing a VBS program or backyard Bible club More than 25 workshops will be offered and 20 exhibitors will display at the preview presented by the International Christian Education Association Cost is \$35 if registered by Jan 18 \$40 between Jan 19 and Feb 14 or \$45 at door Students (teen through college age \$20) Refreshments and lunch included Make and take puppet workshop is an additional \$25 To pre register call (248) 557 5526 or visit www.iceonline.org

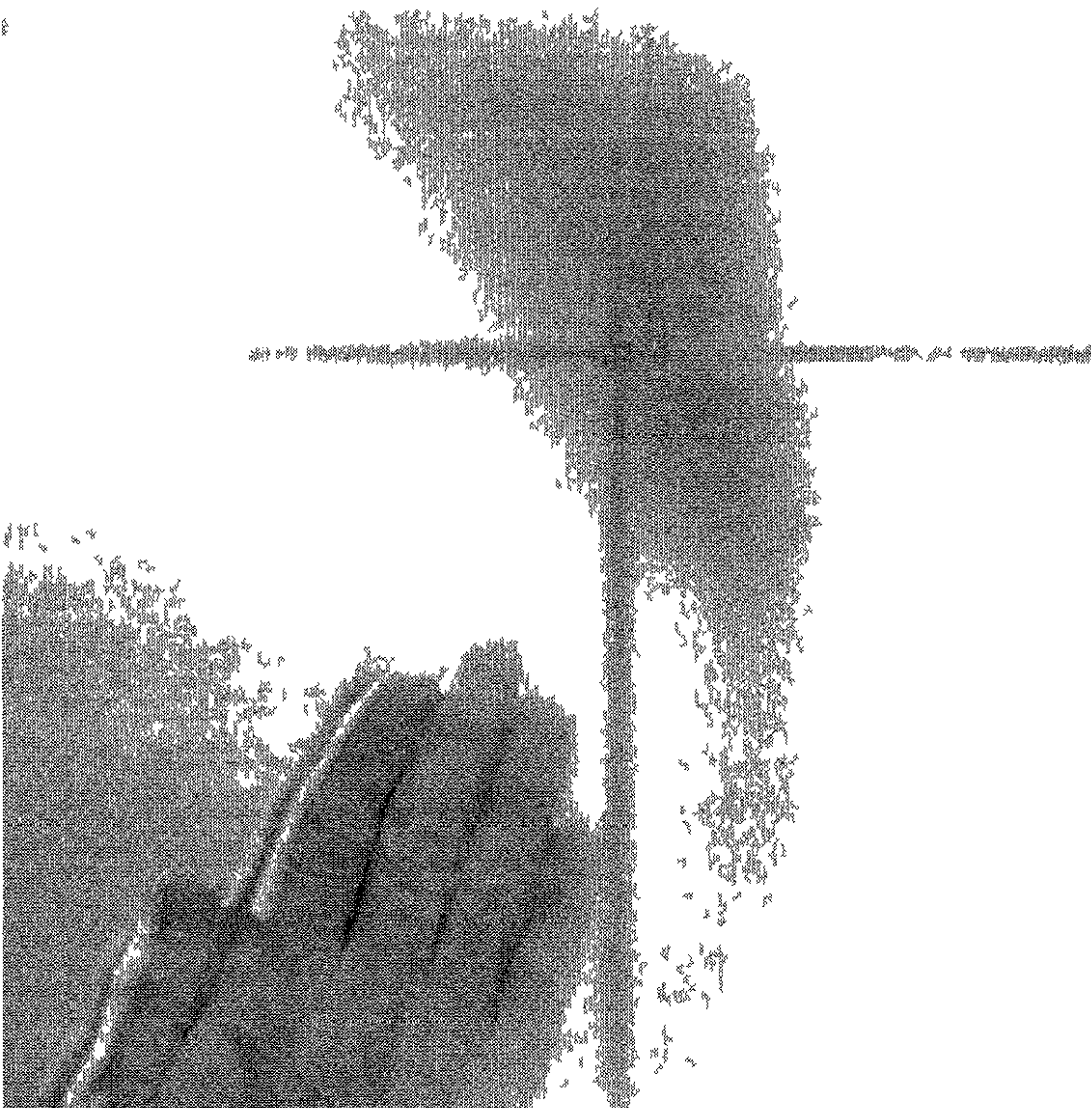
Lay caregiver series

Presented by Samaritan Counseling Center Pastoral Care during Times of

Change and Transition change is certain in our lives and the lives around us this workshop explores the stages of transition led by Sharon Hage staff counselor 2 30 4 30 p.m. Sunday Feb 19 at Nardin Park United Methodist Church 11 Mile and Middlebelt Farmington Hills To register call (248) 474 4701

Super Sundays

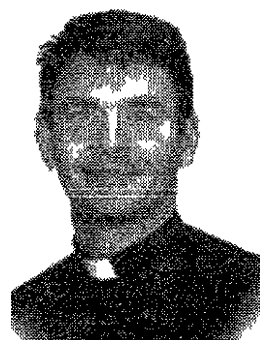
Burning Bush International Ministries presents Super Sundays 11 a.m. Feb 19 (City Wide Youth Day celebrating Black History Month) Sunday Feb 26 (International Sunday celebrating cultures from all over the world) and Sunday March 5 (Pentecostal Sunday) at Willow Run High School Auditorium 235 Spencer Lane between E Michigan Ave and Holmes Ypsilanti Hosted by Pastor Don W. Shelby Jr. and Evangelist Bonita A. Shelby For more information call (734) 487 7054



Men's conference delivers a day of fellowship, prayer

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN STAFF WRITER

There's no doubt in Jeff Allen's mind that men are hungry to pursue their Catholic faith. In the past three years, attendance at an annual men's conference has risen from 800 to 3,000. If estimates for 2006 are correct, 5,000 could attend the event presented by the Archdiocese of Detroit and Knights of Columbus 8 a.m. to 3 30 p.m. Saturday, March 25, at University of Detroit Mercy's Calhan Hall.



Riccardo

Allen, a Livonia resident, went to the conference for the first time last year. Even though he was raised a Catholic and attended St. Robert Bellarmine School in Redford, the 27-year-old single man found himself searching for an intensified spiritual experience after graduating from Divine Child High School.

Since hearing the Rev. John Riccardo of St. Anastasia Parish in Troy speak in 2005, Allen has followed the pastor's recommendations to pray for 10 minutes a day. "It's good to have a consistent prayer life, to keep God in your life on a daily basis," said Allen, a member of St. Colette Parish in Livonia. "The men (in attendance) understand the power of prayer. Last year after the conference 12 new men's fellowship groups were started throughout the archdiocese to gather for prayer and Bible study."

This year's conference, Put Out into the Deep, will challenge men to leave the conference asking two questions - What legacy will I leave? What difference are we making in the world?

Speakers include Alex Jones, a Pentecostal/Evangelical minister for 25 years before converting to Catholicism, Peter



Jones

Herbeck, vice president and director of Missions for Renewal Ministries, U.S. Sen. Rick Santorum, and Riccardo who's spoken at each of the conferences. Chris Stark is especially looking forward to hearing Santorum. "I'm excited about the senator because I heard him speak at another Catholic event on the dignity of the human being and the role of fatherhood in your life," said Stark, who's the father of two children - Mary Grace, 9, and Joey, 6. Stark attended several Catholic men's conferences in Cincinnati before attending his first in Detroit three years ago.

"The speakers help me to be a better father, to learn to apply your faith to your family life and prioritize, to put your family first in your relationship with God to make sure your children are nurtured."

A member of St. Anastasia Parish in Troy, Stark is a volunteer for Archdiocese's Office of Evangelization. Stark, like Allen, is coordinating the effort to seek out men at the parish level for the conference.

"Every year for me the conferences have been an opportunity to listen to great speakers and get rejuvenated in my faith journey," said Stark, a former seminarian who studied to be a priest for one year. "Last year with my pastor's blessing I started a small men's fellowship group that meets monthly and encourages smaller weekly get-togethers. We're encouraging one another

and supporting each other."

According to Paco Gavrilides, coordinator of the men's conference and one of the evangelization coordinators for the archdiocese, over the last 12 years there's been an ongoing interest in men coming together to strengthen their faith. The archdiocese became involved after Mike Tummis, a former Catholic representative on the board of Promise Keepers, approached Adam Cardinal Maida, an ecclesial advisor for the National Fellowship of Catholic Men, an organization to help men grow in their spiritual life. Promise Keepers, a Christ-centered organization, held their first men's conference at the University of Colorado Events Center in 1991.

The men's conferences are being offered for spiritual renewal, for strengthening, for a greater understanding of their faith," said Gavrilides. "It's a tremendous spirit of unity among men of God in an environment where everybody is there because of their faith or because they're seeking a deeper faith life. It's sharing, worship, instruction in the faith, just being together as brothers in Christ."

Three generations of Regis Buckley's family attended last year and would again in 2006 if his oldest son hadn't moved out of state. In addition to Buckley, his 24-year-old son Brian, a seminarian at Sacred Heart, will attend the conference.

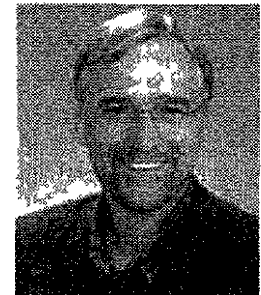
"It was a very moving experience," said Buckley, a Canton resident and member of St. Colette Church. "The speakers were excellent. It was a good feeling of fellowship and camaraderie with people who shared similar beliefs as myself. I would encourage Catholic men to attend even if they've been out of the faith for a while. It's an opportunity to speak with priests all day, to speak on any issues you have. For us this draws us closer (as a family). It's an opportunity to share that with each other and you don't get that opportunity very often because our lives are so busy."

Ken Castel says there's nothing like the conference even though it's caused him sleepless nights. Castel is handling logistics for the event including providing food for 5,000 men. "It's such a tremendous event to have a basketball arena filled with men worshipping and praying," said Castel who's been a member of Divine Child Parish for 53 years. "I just want to be part of helping bring men to the day to realize that we're not alone. The men who are along on that journey are just like me, watching football, playing golf, working, raising our families, and there's something missing from that."

"My faith gives me peace. To try to find peace and joy in material goods or jobs, activities or toys, it's just not there. As much as you need a career to provide food on the table, if we identify too much with who we are Monday through Friday, we lose who we are as sons and daughters of the Lord."

Doors for the fourth annual Catholic men's conference open at 7 a.m. at Calhan Hall, 4001 W. McNichols. Tickets are \$40 advance, \$50 at the door. To register, visit www.mensfellowship.com, call (734) 459-9558 for registration or brochures, or Jeff Allen at (248) 761-5993 for more information.

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Every year for me the conferences have been an opportunity to listen to great speakers and get rejuvenated in my faith journey," said Stark, a former seminarian who studied to be a priest for one year. "Last year with my pastor's blessing I started a small men's fellowship group that meets monthly and encourages smaller weekly get-togethers. We're encouraging one another

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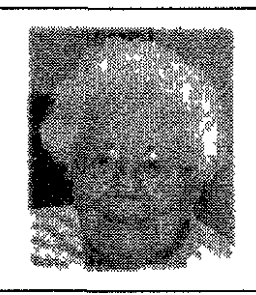
DANNY BOGUSH

Age 80 of Troy, MI passed away January 27 2006. Preceded in death by his beloved wife, Katherine Loving father of Diane Bogush Mills, of California Carolyn Armstrong of Colorado and Mary Bogush of Troy MI. Grandfather of Jonathan and Ryan Mills, and Valerie Armstrong. Great grandfather of Seth Patterson Mills. He also leaves many beloved relatives and friends.

Mr. Bogush grew up in Cleveland Ohio, and graduated from West Tech High School. He was a Decorated Veteran of WWII having served in the U.S. Navy including service aboard a minesweeper the U.S.S. Seer. He earned an Associates Degree in electrical and electronic technology from Lawrence Institute of Technology and worked for Ford Motor Co. Tractor Division in Troy MI as a design engineer until retirement. He enjoyed attending Troy Senior Citizen and Community functions dancing at concerts with his wife Kay traveling to visit his daughters and grandchildren and attending Naval Minewarfare Association reunions. Dan was proud to wear his Navy uniform at Memorial Day and Veterans Day Ceremonies in the City of Troy. A Memorial Service will be held at 3PM Sunday February 19 2006 at Evanswood Church of God, Troy MI. Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society or charity of the donors choice.

FRANCIS WILLIAM ROCKWELL II

Of Bloomfield Township Michigan age 82 passed away peacefully Wednesday February 8, 2006. He was born in Taunton Massachusetts on January 11 1924 the son of Julius and Alice (Hearne) Rockwell. Francis was a graduate of the Maine Maritime Academy and received his BA from the University of Michigan. He served in the United States Merchant Marine during WWII. He was the president of the Rockwell Family Foundation and served as Governor to the Michigan Society of the Founders and Patriots of America. He made you laugh and he was fun to be around. Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Susanna sons Francis (Diane) Thomas (Elizabeth) and Edward, two brothers and eleven grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at Christ Church Cranbrook Saturday February 18 2006 at 10 00am with the Reverend Edward L. Mullins officiating. A private Committal will take place at Forest Hills Cemetery in Ann Arbor Michigan. Tributes may be made to the Salvation Army or Christ Church Cranbrook. Arrangements by Wm. R. Hamilton Co. 248 644 6000.



HELEN M. DeSMET

February 11, 2006 Age 84 Wife of the late Robert Harnden and the late Marcel DeSmet. Mother of Lani White (Michael) and Robert M. D. Harnden (Janet). Stepmother of Nancy Dickinson Barbara McLaughlin and Marshall "Bud" DeSmet (Margaret). Also survived by 15 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and cousins. Funeral service Friday 1 00 pm at A.J. Desmond & Sons (Vasu Rodgers & Connell Chapel) 32515 Woodward Ave. (bwn 13 14 Mile). Family will receive friends Thursday 2 00 8 00pm. Memorial tributes to the charity of donor's choice. View obituary and share memories at www.DesmondFuneralHome.com

JOSEPH MONTGOMERY WEAVER

Age 88 of Harbor Springs formerly of Birmingham passed away February 4 2006. Joe was born February 17 1917 in Irwin PA and was graduated from Lehigh University with a degree in Metallurgy. He served as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy during World War II and ended his service as captain of the U.S.S. Whipple. He married Harriet Robison of Detroit in 1949 and worked as a district and regional sales manager for Jones and Laughlin Steel. After many summers in Wequetonsing, he retired in Harbor Springs and became an enthusiastic member of the Harbor Springs Kiwanis Club where he was scribe for the club newsletter. His memorable style, distinguished by humor and vigor earned the chapter seven awards in state competition. He was a masterful storyteller enjoying both a good joke and a bad pun. He played golf squash and tennis late into his life, loved being on the water on a boat loved the Pittsburgh Steelers baking pies growing flowers and spending his long life with his wife Harriet. He was a proud member of the JMW Club and will be remembered for his willingness to attend a meeting at any place or time. He was preceded in death by his wife Harriet his parents Joseph and Marie and his sister Louise McBride. He will be greatly missed by his four children Susan Schoenfeld of Royal Oak Patricia Francisco and her husband Larry of Minneapolis Bruce Weaver and his wife Rita of Royal Oak and Julie Weaver of Petoskey his loving family of grandchildren Shawn Lee Juliana, Andre and Jesse his great grandchildren Veronica and Levi and his nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 2 pm at First Presbyterian Church of Harbor Springs (on the corner of West Lake and Cemetery) with visitation at the church one hour prior to the service. The family requests that donations in his honor be sent to the Kiwanis Club of Harbor Springs P.O. Box 485, Harbor Springs MI 49740.



KAY E. WALSH

Age 69 February 8 2006. Beloved wife of James Walsh for 49 years. Loving mother of Shelley K. Mlynarczyk Daughter of Cinda E. Ellis and sister to Gail McCormick, both of Windsor Canada. With many brother in laws and sister in laws, nieces and nephews relatives and friends. Share memories at Knights of Columbus Hall 25300 Five Mile Road east of Beech Dale from 1PM 5PM February 26 2006.

MELDA HILGENDORF

Age 85 of Austin TX Formerly of Rochester died Thursday February 9, 2006. She was predeceased by her husband Charles in 2000. She is survived by her children Judy (Dan) Lorenz of Portland, OR Tom (Marilyn) Hilgendorf of Austin TX and Kathy Hilgendorf of Harrison Twp, MI and four grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Frederick Krey of Washington MI. A memorial service will be held in Green Valley AZ at a later date.

PHILIP THOMAS CALDER, JR.

Age 42 February 10 2006 of York PA. Beloved husband of Aleta Marie Calder. Father of Ella Camille Calder Son of Philip T. Sr. and Jean M. Calder. Brother of Andrew J. Calder. Nephew of Victor Calder, Camilla Fagoury Elizabeth Wassner, Joseph D. O'Connell Jr. Michael P. O'Connell and Mary Louise O'Connell. Relatives and friends may call at Collins Funeral Home 500 University Blvd West Silver Spring, MD Thursday February 16 2 4pm and 7 9pm. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Andrew Apostle Church Kemp Mill Road and Arcola Ave Silver Spring MD on Friday February 17 10am. Interment Gate of Heaven Cemetery.



LILIAN "PATRICIA" BASSETT

Age 90 of Plymouth died February 12 2006. She was born November 3 1915 in Beckenham England. Before moving to the United States she worked for British Army Intelligence during World War II. She met and married her husband James in Heidelberg Germany and together they came to the United States in 1950. She enjoyed gardening and bird watching. She was a loving wife mother, and grandmother. She is survived by her children Stephanie J. deBasset, Andrea E. (Dr. Michael D.) Cragel Jill M. Bassett and Victoria A. (Donald G.) McKeehan her grandchildren Ian and Averi Cragel Klayton Aaron and Alecia McKeehan and her dear sister in law Mary Margaret Sweet. She is preceded in death by her husband James O. Bassett. Services were held Tuesday February 14 at Riverside Cemetery Plymouth. Memorials may be made to the National Audubon Society Department W 700 Broadway New York New York 10003. Arrangements entrusted to Schrader Howell Funeral Home.

ROBERT NIGOHOSIAN

Age 69 beloved husband of the late Mary Louise Loving father of Debra Marie Forde Gail Elizabeth (John) Burke and Mary Katherine (David) Niekamp. Dear grandfather of Ashley and Michael Forde Frankie and Caitlin Burke and Faith Niekamp. Robert passed from this world to rejoin his wife Mary on February 13 2006. Robert retired from General Motors after 30 years. Visitation today 1pm 8pm at the Union Lake Chapel of Elton Black & Son Funeral Home 1233 Union Lake Rd. White Lake (248) 363 7135. Prayers today 7pm at the funeral home. In state Friday 9 30am until 10am funeral liturgy at St. William Catholic Church 531 Common St. Walled Lake. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Family requests in lieu of flowers memorial donations to Beaumont Foundation for Diabetes Arrangements entrusted to Edward Korkoian Funeral Home (248) 541-8325.

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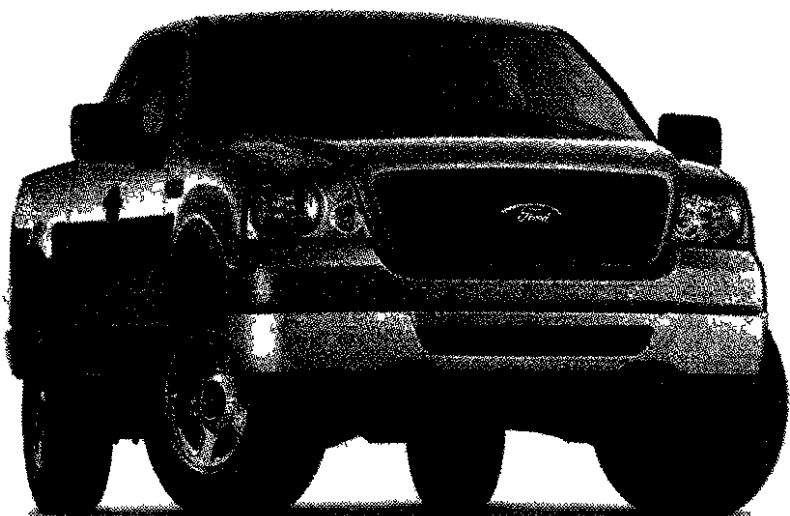
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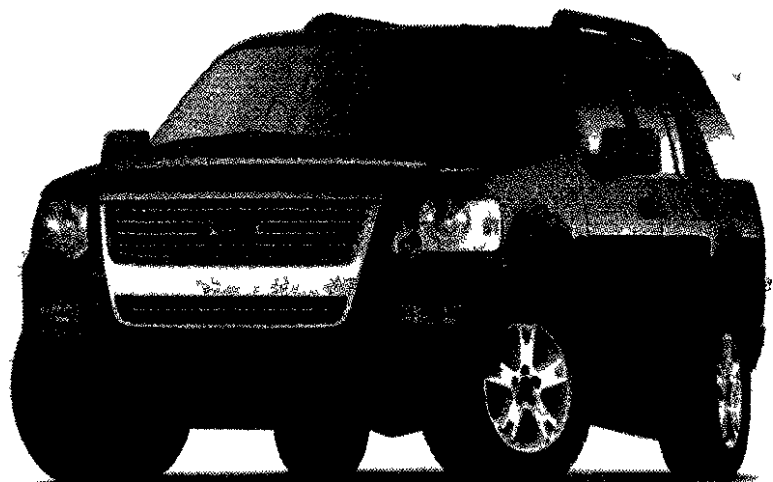
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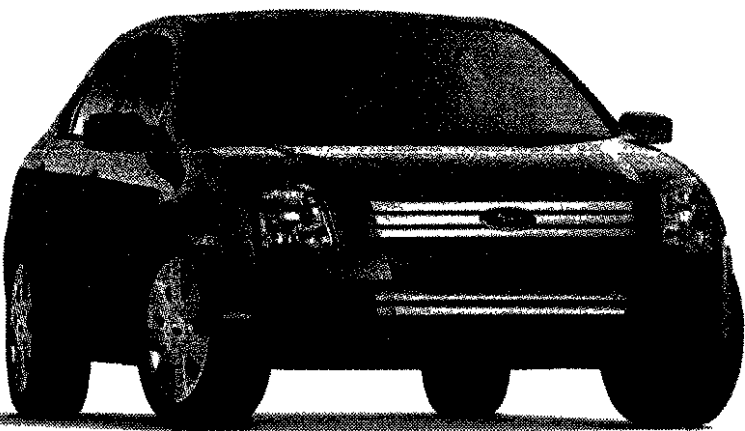
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## Developer sees great future for Six Mile - Woodward project

BY JULIE BROWN  
STAFF WRITER

Developer Joe Brophy's not working in the metro hinterlands these days. His project is renovating 16 units in the Six Mile-Woodward area of Detroit.

"It's an existing apartment building that was built and designed by Albert Kahn, the Orchard Lake resident said. "It was and still is a masterpiece of a building."

There are people living there now, some of whom would like to buy. The building's in the Palmer Park Historic Apartment District and dates back to 1926. Capital invested in the building is approximately \$1 million.

"We're not changing the floor plan," Brophy said of the units, about 2,900 square feet each (four bedrooms). They'll sell at \$168,000 and up, with the model unit ready and sales under way. Call Brophy of Silverside Ventures LLC at (313) 279-1402. Online, visit [www.1001Covington.com](http://www.1001Covington.com), named for the street address.

"They don't build them like they used to," he said of the building which features marble staircases, plaster ceilings and original hardwood floors throughout. He describes the building as very solid, noting its soundproof and fireproof construction.

So far, he's seen much interest in the units. The site's approved for a Neighborhood Enterprise Zone tax abatement, a selling point Brophy finds if a buyer is interested in Detroit,



The apartment building, dating to 1926, was designed and built by Albert Kahn.

he or she will look in other areas and find he's offering a lot for the price.

"It's good quality construction. We offer a good value to the buyer." They tend to be younger first-time buyers or empty nesters.

There are other buildings in the neighborhood also candidates for renovation, and Brophy hopes to move on to those. "That's kind of my mission in life," he said. "There's a lot of interest in moving back closer to the downtown areas."

He cites such areas as Ferndale, Royal Oak and Birmingham "where the city life and the activity is."

The project included buying a parking area for secured parking. The exterior was the focus this past summer, the interior more recently and landscaping work will take place as it warms up outdoors.

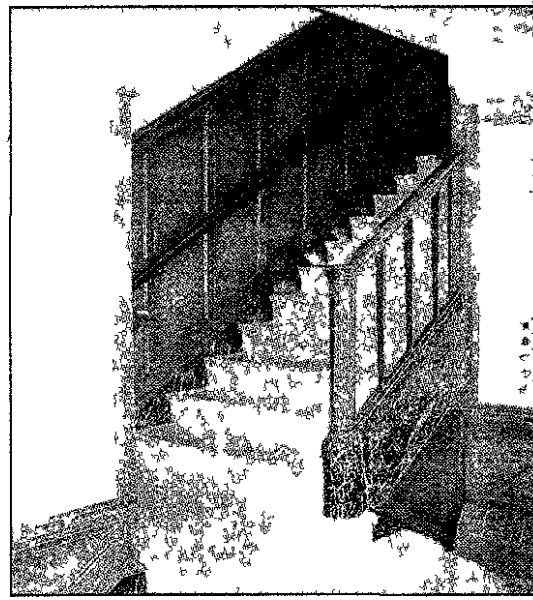
The steam heat has been replaced, and each owner will now be able to control heat and air

conditioning. An electrical upgrade was also included.

The apartment building was built by Kahn for Walter O. Briggs. It was originally rented exclusively to families with at least one child under age 5. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Not everyone's moving from Detroit to the suburbs. A Westland resident moving back to Detroit, Rori Bielak is excited about living in Lafayette Towers, a historic building within walking distance of Eastern Market. "I'll be moving back to Detroit where I grew up," said Bielak, a children's librarian for the Detroit Public Library at the main branch on Woodward. "I lived downtown years ago. I'm not a newcomer."

Bielak, who had worked for the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, is in a gated community at Lafayette Towers. "So I feel quite safe," she said.



Developer Joe Brophy is pleased with interest in the building in the Six Mile Woodward area.

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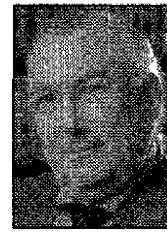
HOMES SOLD IN WAYNE COUNTY

These are the Observer & Eccentric area residential real estate closings recorded the weeks of Sep 19 2005 at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office Listed below are cities addresses and sales prices

1867 Aberdeen	\$240 000	44866 Whitman	\$175 000	28563 W Chicago	\$244 000	9207 Salem	\$138 000
48340 Antique	\$298 000	1427 Willard	\$196 000	35541 W Chicago	\$187 000	15233 Salem	\$163 000
2088 Arcadia	\$175 000	<b>Garden City</b>		20172 Wayne	\$349 000	25410 Schoolcraft	\$139 000
6733 Ardsley	\$127 000	940 Arcola	\$155 000	19429 Weyher	\$215 000	12871 Tecumseh	\$160 000
41615 Bedford	\$154 000	646 Belton	\$145 000	<b>Plymouth</b>		11382 Virgil	\$124 000
2057 Briarfield	\$196 000	29466 Brown	\$150 000	1187 Ann Arbor	\$231 000	12852 Woodbine	\$119 000
47875 Cardiff	\$181 000	31464 Brown	\$156 000	49568 Cooke	\$637 000	13512 Wormer	\$129 000
7910 Charrington	\$247 000	32227 Chester	\$145 000	41218 Crabtree	\$283 000	<b>Westland</b>	
1569 Commodore	\$186 000	30437 Elmwood	\$125 000	9157 Hackberry	\$222 000	2674 Ackley	\$73 000
1675 Delancy	\$440 000	6037 Lathers	\$142 000	8819 Mayflower	\$254 000	31024 Avondale	\$145 000
4068 Forest Bridge	\$58 000	6886 Lathers	\$143 000	40105 Newport	\$130 000	417 Barchester	\$205 000
46157 Gainsborough	\$236,000	30415 Marquette	\$151 000	14370 Northville	\$315 000	31859 Bay	\$95 000
45548 Glenqarry	\$370,000	31911 Marquette	\$187 000	11226 Parkview	\$219 000	33574 Berville	\$96 000
5890 Hathaway	\$325 000	<b>Livonia</b>		311 Pinewood	\$125 000	34569 Blackfoot	\$100 000
7370 Hedgerow	\$223 000	30165 Acacia	\$195 000	42905 River Bend	\$270 000	10104 Cowan	\$104 000
1418 Hereford	\$395 000	9611 Arcola	\$140 000	42915 River Bend	\$280,000	7352 Cardwell	\$64 000
915 Knightsbridge	\$245 000	16118 Bell Creek	\$248 000	8905 Tavistock	\$242 000	38235 Carolan	\$120 000
42481 Lilley Pointe	\$129 000	9161 Brentwood	\$205 000	9477 Winterset	\$339 000	7370 Central	\$90 000
7237 Lyndhurst	\$485 000	9815 Brookfield	\$218 000	<b>Redford</b>		7739 Cherrywood	\$265 000
1843 Morrison	\$213 000	32921 Brookside	\$309 000	26535 Five Mile	\$160 000	6807 Chrrewa	\$184 000
237 N Corrine	\$205 000	30242 Buckingham	\$229 000	13468 Arnold	\$145 000	34127 Cowan	\$280 000
41072 Northwind	\$132 000	8921 Deering	\$140 000	25715 Beech	\$165 000	838 Denice	\$129 000
47543 Pembroke	\$150 000	14217 Foch	\$193 000	14348 Brady	\$195 000	39262 Dillingham	\$173 000
1606 Peninsula	\$248 000	8918 Frederick	\$186 000	18218 Brady	\$108 000	1870 Dunn	\$182 000
1385 Ranier	\$235 000	17460 Golfview	\$263 000	25654 Deborah	\$178,000	1249 Easley	\$128 000
3431 Riverside	\$225 000	34828 Grove	\$269 000	19226 Delaware	\$35 000	35808 Farraout	\$75 000
41602 Strawberry	\$277 000	9925 Hartel	\$160 000	9351 Fenton	\$138 000	33459 Fernwood	\$130 000
6649 Sturbridge	\$217 000	9850 Hillcrest	\$155 000	9581 Fenton	\$133 000	183 Fischer	\$227 000
43708 Sweet Cherry	\$249 000	8940 Houghton	\$78 000	15020 Fenton	\$126 000	34131 Frances	\$168 000
43732 Sweet Cherry	\$247 000	9565 Inkster	\$140 000	17110 Fox	\$138 000	2012 Golfview	\$243 000
43740 Sweet Cherry	\$225 000	9434 Lamont	\$155 000	17376 Fox	\$139 000	8425 Gray	\$105 000
7920 Thornwood	\$400 000	38113 Lancaster	\$261 000	18903 Garfield	\$98 000	33703 Hazelwood	\$193 000
415 W Canford Park	\$388 000	17391 Louise	\$228 000	11346 Grayfield	\$140 000	34554 John Hawk	\$128 000
1685 Walnut Ridge	\$222 000	15233 Melrose	\$173 000	9965 Grayzelton	\$130 000	33713 Joy	\$153 000
		9807 Merriman	\$158 000	15894 Indian	\$170 000	29842 Malvern	\$161 000
		37513 Munger	\$255 000	17620 Indian	\$137 000	456 Marigold	\$154 000
		18597 Norwich	\$162 000	19806 Indian	\$167 000	6114 N Crown	\$135 000
		30510 Puritan	\$300 000	26634 Kenneth	\$138 000	29033 Powers	\$111 000
		34255 Richland	\$154,000	11410 Laverne	\$140 000	6805 Redman	\$177 000
		20117 Saint Francis	\$142 000	9536 Nathalie	\$131 000	2249 S Brancan	\$125 000
		14255 Sunset	\$200 000	13231 Nathalie	\$157 000	38266 S Jean	\$185 000
		28036 W Chicago	\$155 000	20517 Negaunee	\$85 000	615 Summerheld	\$162 000
				20540 Norborne	\$117 000	8201 Terri	\$155 000
				9142 Riverdale	\$207 000		

# Minnesota court orders trial on pet policy

**Q. Our condominium association has a no pet policy but has not typically enforced it. Now after about seven years, they are coming after us and trying to fine us for keeping a dog. There is a no waiver policy in the documents concerning the association's failure to enforce any of its rules. What do you think?**



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consult with a community association attorney **Q. Our association has been facing an increasing number of delinquencies but some of the board members do not want to pursue collections because it will be expensive and some of the co-owners are on fixed incomes. What do you think?**

**A** It may go either way but based upon a recent Minnesota court decision, in that case the court refused to dismiss the member's lawsuit and said that the trial would have to be held to decide the matter. The court explained that a non-waiver clause could be modified by subsequent conduct, so just because the bylaws contained a non-waiver clause did not automatically mean that the association could not have waived its right to enforce its no pet rule. You are best advised to

**A** The association should adopt a vigorous and consistent collection policy including the recordation of liens and, if necessary, the commencement of legal proceedings to foreclose on a lien and/or to collect money damages. The association may be legally liable by not taking action

to collect the delinquencies in an aggressive fashion. More than likely, the association will have the ability to recoup all or substantially all of its attorney fees and costs so there is no reason not to get the best attorney that it can to prosecute the collection of assessments since it may cost the association little or nothing to do so

Robert M Meisner is a lawyer and the author of *Condominium Operation Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track* second edition. It is available for \$99.95 plus \$1 shipping and handling. He also wrote *Condo Living A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium* available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping and handling. For more information call (248) 644 4433 or visit bmeisner@meisnerassociates.com. This column should not be construed as legal advice.

# Flash: FHA mortgage changes big news

**W**ow! If you are a fan of free enterprise and competition in the marketplace, you will really sink your teeth into this one. The FHA has now officially entered this century by slashing antiquated guidelines that were considered "good ideas" years ago, but that over the years have become too burdensome for Realtors and sellers to embrace. FHA mortgages have always been appealing to borrowers because of their low down payment requirements and flexible underwriting guidelines. Last week, however, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, in an effort to make FHA mortgage financing more appealing to home sellers, real estate agents and mortgage bankers, announced some meaningful changes that bring FHA mortgage business processes more in line with conventional industry practices. The FHA now believes they have eliminated a significant impediment to the



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use of their programs by no longer prescribing borrower's paid closing costs. Effective immediately, lenders may charge and collect from borrowers those customary and reasonable costs necessary to close the mortgage. Except for discount points, these fees may also be used to meet the homebuyer's minimum investment requirement. Like before, all fees and charges must comply with federal and state disclosure laws and other applicable laws and regulations.

Existing program benefits remain intact for FHA borrowers including a prohibition on lender "mark-ups" - charging a fee to the borrower for an amount greater than that charged by a third-party service provider. The FHA still

allows sellers to contribute a maximum of 6 percent of the sales price to the homebuyer's actual closing costs, prepaid expenses, discount points, and other financing concessions.

Today's TIMBIT! I am an FHA fanatic because I have seen the results of how properly structured FHA transactions can benefit all parties to a real estate deal. FHA mortgages are normally priced closely to and can close as quickly as - if not more quickly than - conventional mortgages. Sellers and Realtors who have home listings that ask for only cash or conventional financing are automatically saying "no" to hundreds of potential FHA buyers - one of whom might be the buyer for their home.

Timothy Phillips is a mortgage banker and newspaper columnist. Visit [www.phillipsHQ.com](http://www.phillipsHQ.com) for free information online or call him toll free at (866) 369 4516. Homebuyers should always consult a professional for guidance specific to their situation.

## REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

### New officers

Kevin N Koehler, president of the Construction Association of Michigan, announced that the CAM membership has elected a new slate of officers and directors to serve on its 2006 Board of Directors. The association's new leaders were installed at the organization's 120th annual meeting.

CAM's new chairman for 2004 is Robert A Singer, president of Duross Painting Co. CAM's newly elected Vice Chairmen are Todd A Garriss, owner/president of Walltec LLC, and James A Sinkel, president of Smith Brothers Electric. Randy L Brooks, executive vice president of Temperature Engineering Corp was elected treasurer. Each year, three individuals retire from CAM's Board of Directors and three new members are elected by the membership to serve in their place. The newly elected directors are Brian J Brunt, vice president of Brunt Associates Inc., Robert J Michelutti Jr, president of Michelutti Bros Inc., and Glenn E Parvin, president of Custom Architectural Sheet Metal Specialists (C.A.S.S.).

in a series "Rules and Regulations, Who Wants Them? Who Needs Them?" will be held 7-8 30 p m on Tuesday, March 7, at the Livonia Civic Center Library. This series will address all the aspects of condominium ownership and association membership. Call Michael, (734) 464-7455 (condownersoflivonia@earthlink.net).

### New leases

Liberty Property Trust announced that it has signed leases with two new tenants and four existing tenants for Class A office space in Michigan totaling 29,623 square feet. According to Joe Trinkle, Liberty's city manager and vice president in the region, "Liberty's occupancy continues to outpace the market and we anticipate continuing this trend during the rest of 2006."

### Homebuyer Seminar

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.

### Condominium Living

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<p><b>PLYMOUTH TWP</b> COLONIAL in Lake Pointe sub Hardwood in foyer kit &amp; DR Fresh neutral paint in foyer hall &amp; starway Updated kit w/nook family rm has corner fireplace Newer main bath w/hd tub Newer windows &amp; floorwall Form paver patio \$284 900 (MAP47)</p>	<p><b>SALEM</b> RANCH HOME with Vermont slate and 5 Beech hardwood floors all Pella windows Open floor plan with cathedral ceiling great room with natural fireplace cherry cabinet kitchen adjoining dining room Master suite plus 2 bedroom/bath wing \$479 900 (SUN72)</p>
<p><b>CANTON</b> COLONIAL 3 bdrms 12x10 loft possible 4th bdrm 2 1/2 baths hardwood floors 1st flr laundry beautiful master suite LG WIC granite bath fin bsmt landscaping sprinkler system brick paver patio cedar deck LG trees \$309 900 (WEL52)</p>	<p><b>PLYMOUTH TWP</b> 4 BEDROOM 2 bath Colonial w/1st flr master bed updates furnace air hot WH roof 97 (upper story &amp; frt gar (05) windows electrical vinyl side bath kitchen Gas fireplace 1st flr laundry Pro landscaped yard deck Part fin bsmt &amp; 2 car attached garage \$244 900 (SUZ71)</p>
<p><b>GARDEN CITY</b> 3 BEDROOM 1200 sq ft Bungalow! LL Knotty pine master bedroom Open kitchen Most newer windows incl lg picture window in living room New neutral carpet in living room private fenced yard 1 yr home warranty! \$133 600 (MAR36)</p>	<p><b>CANTON</b> UPDATED RANCH in great sub! Large eat in kitch w/ a lot of cupboards &amp; Pergo flrs Cozy brick FP in FR Newer bath newer roof windows carpeting (HW under carpet) Finished basement w/ig laundry Heated inground pool with fenced in yard \$228 200 (DER09)</p>
<p><b>LIVONIA</b> SHARP CAPE COD w/1st flr mstr ste &amp; WIC Open flr plan w/spacious LR kit Has walk in pantry Large DR den bath w/skylight 1st flr laundry Deck screened &amp; lighted gazello 27x27 gar &amp; workshop Landscaped yard w/LG sprinklers Home warranty \$239 900 (PUR51)</p>	<p><b>DEARBORN</b> SPRINGWELLS PARK area granite counters newer cabinets &amp; upgraded appliances Breakfast nook with French doors ceramic tile and windows galore F repl in LV for cozy nites two full baths furnace a/c cleaner CA roof replaced att garage! \$214 500 (AMH5)</p>
<p><b>LIVONIA</b> 3 BR 1 5 BATH BRICK RANCH This home has many nice features updated kitchen w/oak cabinets family rm w/beautiful brick fireplace doorwall central air newer garage door sprinkler system humidifier newer roof 2 car heated attached garage &amp; part finished basement \$204 900 (BAR15)</p>	<p><b>PLYMOUTH TWP</b> 5 BEDROOM COLONIAL 1st floor laundry master suite has 2 walk in closets All important systems are updated roof furnace AC vinyl windows Fabulous large back yard LG sprinklers low maintenance exterior walk to school neighborhood close to shopping low Ply Twp taxes \$279 900 (GRE57)</p>

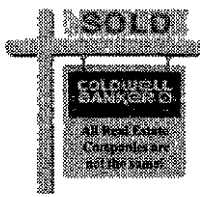
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First Alliance Mortgage Co (800) 292 7357	6.25	0	5.875	0	J/A/V/F	United Mortgage Group (586) 286 9500	6	0	5.625	0
First International Mortgage (248) 255-1554	6	0	5.625	0	J/A	York Financial Inc (981) 839-9575	6	0	5.5	0
GMAC Mortgage Corp (800) 888-4622	5.875	3	5.875	1	J/A/V/F					

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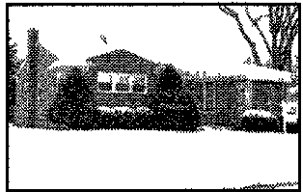
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**QUIET SETTING** Near downtown Ann Arbor on a cul de sac w/hardwood floors large dining room gar updated kit new furnace and water heater partially fin basement and all appliances Home warranty too! \$189 900 (P 926BR)



**WESTLAND RANCH** Beautifully remodeled ranch w/newer windows & custom window treatments flooring carpet & more Newer patio in backyard move in condition Ready to move right in \$109 500 (C 132CA)



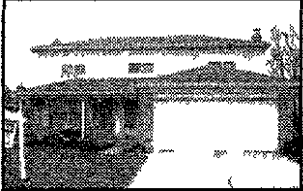
**BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED 2 BD** 2 5 BA condo w/large spacious rooms Wonderful Galley Kitchen w/all appl Newer vinyl windows furnace & hwh Neutral decor full Basement & a garage Call today! \$127 900 (P 534CO)



**SHARP PULTE STRATFORD** On an interior lot w/gourmet cherry kit expansive 2 story FR w/fireplace a den master & princess suites w/private baths Extra deep bsmt paver patio & walk sprinkler and security systems \$429 900 (P 481DE)



**PARK LIKE SETTING** For this mint condition 4 bedroom colonial with custom touches and a spacious 2200 square foot floor plan Upgrades galore front and back porches overlooking a manicured lawn \$234 900 (C 420DO)



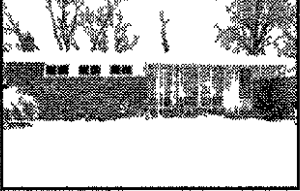
**SPECTACULAR UPDATED COLONIAL** 4 BR/2 5 BA Updated Pella windows & doors completely renovated baths - mstr w/jacuzzi tub fpl hdwds new light fixtures new landscaping in lg private fenced yard \$294 900 (P 906FL)



**DOWNTOWN PLYMOUTH CONDO** Just 2 blocks from the park! Immediate occupancy seller has relocated and looking at all offers Large floor plan 2 car garage fireplace and many upgrades Call for more information \$229 900 (C 389HA)



**HAVE IT ALL!** Immaculate brick ranch featuring a roomy kitchen with oak cabinets recessed lights and ceramic tile Spacious living rm w/fireplace newer c/a new roof 2004 tear off crown moldings ceiling fans and super clean \$131 000 (P 638HU)



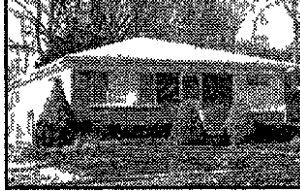
**POPULAR ROSEDALE RANCH** Brick exterior w/over 1300 sq ft offering updates like roof furnace windows doors & more Great floor plan w/vaulted ceilings a cozy fpl & retro fin bsmt Attached gar & appliances negotiable \$177 900 (P 211IO)



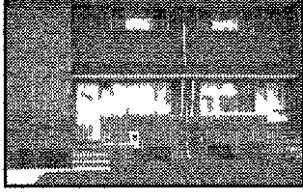
**WEST DEARBORN CHARMER** Must see this 3 bedroom 1 5 bath brick bungalow with a finished basement and 2 car garage Updates include the roof furnace and refinished hardwood floors Lots more to see call for details \$164 900 (P 945MA)



**PRISTINE CLEAN TRI-LEVEL** 3 bedroom contemporary w/brick/vinyl exterior huge 1560 sq ft floor plan gorgeous remodeled kit new vinyl windows hwh air & carpeting Totally neutral Nice sized rooms & fenced yard \$134 900 (P-448MA)



**SOUGHT AFTER PLYMOUTH** Low maintenance brick ranch with 3 BRs 2 BAs on beautiful tree lined street adjoining downtown 2 5 car gar finished basement central air spacious lot and many updates Call for the list! \$242 900 (P 740MC)



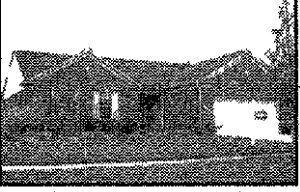
**STOP RENTING!** Maintenance free 2 BD Livonia townhouse is move in ready! Neutral decor updated oak kit hwd under crpt custom blinds big bedrooms private bsmt w/additional room Immed occupancy & much more \$89 900 (P 925MI)



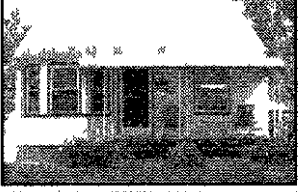
**LUXURIOUS COLONIAL** Spacious open floor plan with 2nd story laundry & family room 4 bedrooms 2 5 baths Jacuzzi tub recessed lighting island kitchen and too many upgrades to mention Great location too \$280 000 (C 106MI)



**WONDERFUL BRICK RANCH** Great floor plan w/hardwd floors 2 baths & great table space in brfst room Updates vinyl wndws entry doors gar door gutters & downspouts plumbing paint full bsmt 2 5 car garage & appliances! \$169 700 (P 805PI)



**IRRESISTIBLE DETAILS** You will love this the minute you walk in! No expense was spared w/ upgrades when this was built Rich hwd floors ceramic tiled baths fpl w/mantle & ceramic surround upgraded elevation & more \$249 900 (P 748PO)



**HIDDEN JEWEL** Well mntained bungalow Superb new BA w/cer tile spacious mstr w/hwd flrs Light & airy LR eat in kit w/bay wndw newer vinyl wndws drvw HWH & roof Drwll to fenced bckyrd & huge gar w/strg space \$125 000 (P 657PR)



**BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED** 4 bedroom colonial with 2 5 baths formal dining family room fireplace all newer appliances in a large eat in island kitchen 2 car garage and more all on a quiet cul de sac \$394 900 (P 599RE)



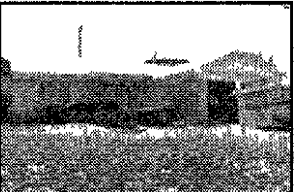
**AWESOME VIEWS** From the private yard overlooking the pond Nicely decorated hardwood in the GR w/fireplace and kitchen spacious 1st floor master w/oversized jetted tub finished basement and large bedrooms \$244 900 (P 497SH)



**ATTRACTIVE PULTE PRINCETON** Offering large 4 BR floor plan Amenities include hardwood floors formal living & dining plus family room fireplace vaulted master and neutral decor all on an oversized lot in Canton \$280 000 (P 318SH)



**WOW!** Awesome 3 BD brick ranch Newer 3D roof new carpet through out freshly painted new steel entry door & block windows in basement Also offering a full basement & 2 car garage! Neat and clean Move in and enjoy! \$139 900 (C 810WI)



**CONSIDER THIS** 3 bedrooms 2 full baths family room fireplace attached 2 car garage a basement w/glass block windows sprinkler system and award winning Livonia schools sounds perfect doesn't it? \$175 000 (C 729BU)



**BRAND SPANKING NEW** Bright and spacious new construction condos with 2 BR 1 5 BA huge kitchen large dining area oversized master basement and garage You wont find a better deal anywhere at this price \$134 900 (734BR)



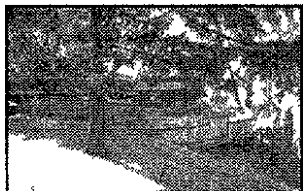
**GREAT LOCATION** For this Westland ranch with Livonia schools Updated roof and windows finished basement with a wet bar new carpet and paint central air 2 full baths and 3 bedrooms appliances stay \$159 900 (P 204TE)



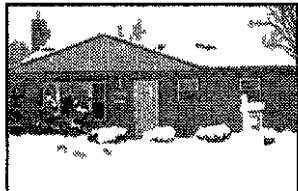
**GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT** This beautiful brick ranch ideally located on quiet court w/finished basement and huge garage Updated kitchen w/Maytag appliances newer windows hwh & more Immediate occupancy too! \$154 900 (P 943SY)



**COUNTRY CONTEMPORARY** Wonderful ranch in Huron school district Plenty of cabinets in Kitchen w/deep sink & spacious Breakfast Nook Master suite w/WIC & jetted tub Home is located on over 3 acres \$229 900 (C-433CA)



**ENJOY THE GOOD LIFE!** In this gated community with beautiful views of Ford Lake Upper ranch condo featuring 3 beds 2 full baths fireplace a large deck overlooking the lake clubhouse & pool Dues include heat & water \$152 500 (P 859CL)



**PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP!** Great value on fab 3 bd home w/Liv Schools Comp rmdld kit & BAs w/new copper plumb Upts incl vinyl siding & trim rf wndws furn w/air refin hwd flrs sprmklr sys & HWH What more do you need? \$169 900 (P 213DO)



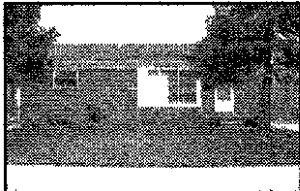
**STOP RENTING!** This home is ready to be lived in! Nice size living room 2 bd/rms on 1st floor and a full bath Huge brfm upstairs with an extra 6x7 area Basement garage and a cute screened in porch to enjoy all summer \$74 999 (P 946EV)



**DEARBORN CHARMER** Vinyl sided bungalow with 3 bedrooms updated furnace central air windows and basement Deck off of the back of the home hardwood floors & pretty landscaping Fenced yard too! \$99 900 (C 614GA)



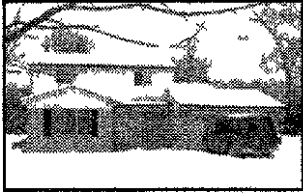
**CURB APPEAL PLUS!** Extremely well maintained brick ranch with 2 bedrooms 2 baths & could be converted back to a 3 bd Nicely decorated finished basement new furnace ac windows fenced yard and appliances \$99 900 (P 994GL)



**PRICED TO SELL & READY NOW!** Brick ranch w/many upgrds inc new crpt fresh pnt new gar dr w/opener updt kit w/all appl & brand new full BA in part fin bsmt Imm occ Livonia schools city cert's done Call for details \$159 900 (P 937JO)



**A GREAT BUY!** Nice 2 bedroom ranch in the Downriver area with all of the big ticket items updated for you Windows siding furnace roof cement work water heater remodeled kitchen & more \$99 900 (C 830KA)



**SMART BUY** Move in and settle down in awesome 4 BR 2 5 bath colonial situated on huge lot that measures to almost half an acre! Updated roof furnace electrical window paint fixtures and more Home warranty too! \$159 900 (C 314KE)



**LUXURY MEETS VALUE** Enjoy this beautiful ranch condo w/ large master suite vaulted ceilings den/study 3 full baths & a finished basement Canton community at it's best \$285 000 (C 491KI)



**LAKEFRONT LIVING** Enjoy lakefront living in this nicely updated 4 bd colonial on all sports Ford Lake Newer kit roof in 04 new LR carpet partially finished bsmt & a screened porch Home is a terrific value \$305 000 (C 997LA)



**METICULOUS LIV RANCH** 4 bd 1 5 BA ranch w/1200+ sq ft Updt kit w/Pergo style flr New rf on home & gar Updt wndws furn A/C circuit brkrs & cop plumb Patio dr leads to deck & beautiful yrd Fin bsmt Ready for you! \$200 000 (C-161LY)



**HOME BUYERS DREAM** Everything has been updated in this wonderful 3 bedroom ranch Furnace and roof less than 5 yrs old new carpeting updated kitchen and baths 2 5 car garage home warranty & a great location \$144 900 (C 437MC)



**VERY POPULAR CONDO** 2 bedrooms 2 BAs & immediate occupancy 55 & over community w/pool and clubhouse with many activities Hardwood floors and new windows make this a winner Clean move in condition \$132 500 (C 221NE)



**WESTLAND'S HIDDEN JEWEL** Private wooded view on a quiet cul de sac backing to Hines! Built in 94 this 3 bedroom beauty offers a spacious neutral floor plan finished basement sprinklers and lots more \$184 900 (C 358PE)



**FIRST TIME BUYERS** Dont miss the chance to own this 2 bedroom ranch with new neutral paint and carpeting Updated kitchen and bath appliances stay dining room fenced yard with a shed too Clean and ready to move into \$74 900 (P 755PI)



**BUILD YOUR DREAM HERE** 4 62 acres with executive homes and county park nearby Perked and surveyed with 66 ft of frontage on a paved road Electric & gas at the street Up and coming area Buy now and build later \$149 900 (P 000PL)



**RANCH END UNIT** Overlooking the woods with a huge floor plan 2 bedrooms 2 baths super clean with vaulted ceilings ceramic baths attached 2 car garage and a home warranty! Great location too \$174 900 (C 032RI)



**IMMACULATE PRINCETON MODEL** 2 story foyer lighted crown moldings large FR room w/fpl hrdwd flrs large mstr w/vaulted ceilings fashion soaking tub & WIC Fin basement w/bar beautiful deck and a premium lot \$306 000 (C 748SH)



**OLD FASHIONED GEM** Room to roam Over 1400 sq ft 2 bd 1 5 bas Huge fenced yard large kit formal DR GR w/hwd flrs library with built in book shelves & full basement Conveniently located & close to everything \$153 750 (C 504SI)



**CLEAN CONTEMP** Beautifully loscpd & mntnd raised ranch w/newer Anderson wndws oak frnt dr & C/A Lge LR w/cath clng & fp spac kit & din area mstr ste w/WIC & dual entry BA FR w/W/O to cust patio Lg attached gar apps \$244 800 (C-631TY)



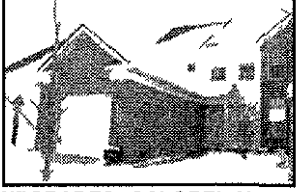
**BETTER THAN NEW** 2 BD 1 5 bath condo w/basement & attached Garage Neutral decor very clean & fireplace in Great Room Excellent views of the woods from your Deck Private location Move in & enjoy! \$174 900 (C 934FA)



**GET EXCITED!** Ready to move into brick ranch offers a lot of living space and a large lot Neat & clean with multiple updates windows furnace roof carpet and more Full basement and appliances! \$144 900 (C 430GL)



**RELAX AND ENJOY** This nearly perfect two story home with 4 bedrooms and 3 5 baths Finished basement family room w/fireplace and a nice deck Formal dining room and a private study too \$279 999 (C 508GR)



**UPGRADES GALORE!** Newer 1200 square foot condo with 4 bedrooms 2 baths offering oak cabinetry living room w/fireplace nice master w/large bath finished basement w/family room & bath Nice \$150 000 (C 799HA)



**CANTON CONDO** Like new Charleston model Hwd floors Kitchen w/cherry & stainless steel appl 9 ft ceilings Master suite w/WIC & bath A must see! \$184 750 (C 934NO)



**EXCELLENT VALUE** Fantastic Cape Cod in Canton offers many amenities 1st flr mstr cozy gas fp in FR new hwd floors in kit & FR Finished lower level w/rec area updated HWH nicely landscaped Deck & backs to woods \$209 000 (C 736PR)



**LIVONIA SCHOOLS** 3 BD ranch featuring 2 car gar 32x12 deck updated rf updated BA & electric Large eat in kit w/loads of oak cabinets all appliances + washer & dryer included Fenced yard Immediate Occupancy \$137 000 (P 262CA)



**ELEGANTLY APPOINTED** Prestigious Pulte Carrington boasts 4 bds 3 baths & priv trd lot Prem elev w/grand staircase & 2 story FR Kit w/cherry corian & walk in pntry Hearth room w/2 sided fp Mstr w/his & her WIC \$524 999 (P 495CE)



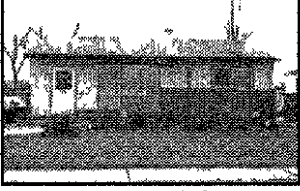
**CALL THE MOVERS!** Outstanding value in 4 bd 2 5 BA Fairways colonial 2 story foyer formal liv & DRs & private library Large gourmet kit w/ island & hwd flrs FR w/gas fp mstr ste w/his & her WIC & glamour bath 2 tier paver patio & sprinklers \$419,000 (P 583FO)



**SOUTH REDFORD CHARMER** Great brick bungalow w/south Redford schools 3 bds 2 baths 2 car Garage fenced yard & lots of updates Call today for more details \$149 000 (P 402LU)



**NO NEED TO LOOK FURTHER** Detailed to Pottery Barn speckl! Open kit w/lgt cabs new flring & SS appl! Open FR w/bnck hearth FP cust bkcses & drwall access to patio Frsh pnt t/o nwr crpt rd updt BAs & fin bsmt Updt rf furn A/C & hum Sure to warm your heart! \$224,900 (C 222IR)



**WELL CARED FOR** Great 3 BR Westland ranch boasts lots of light fresh pnt & major updtls including elect furn A/C siding HWH & some wndws! Huge bsmt tons of storage bar & 1/2 BA! Big gar nice yrd & close to everything Pack bags & move right in! \$144,900 (P 559RU)



**COUNTRY ROADS TAKE ME HOME** This pristine ranch sits on gorgeous 1/2 acre homesite 1490 sq ft of luxurious living! 3 bd 1 5 baths living room w/fp open dining & family room 2 car attached drywalled garage & an incredible stamped patio \$183,900 (P 291RY)



**FANTASTIC PARK LOCATION** Beautiful Canton colonial located adjacent to park Open floor plan w/eat in Kitchen & formal Dining Room Separate Living & Family Rooms large master w/double closets & finished basement Plymouth/Canton schools \$225,000 (C 333WA)



**OUTSTANDING GLENGARRY SUB!** Original owner of 2591 sq ft 4 bd 2 5 BA Baybrook Lg step down FR w/gas fp form liv & DR kit w/oak cabs & drwll leading out to brick patio 2nd floor Indry spac mstr ste w/jacuzzi tub & lg WIC Backs to wooded commons area \$359,900 (P 887WE)

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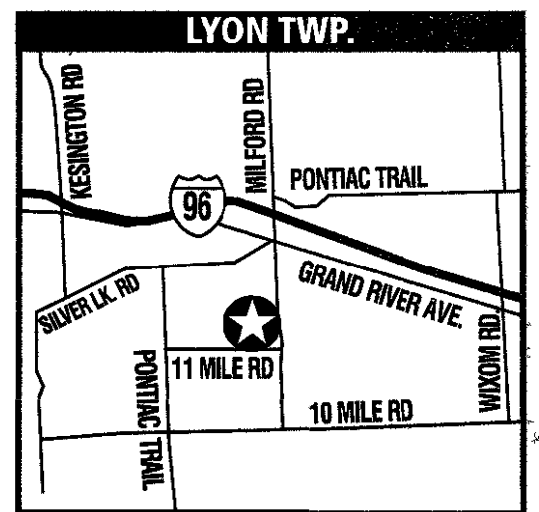
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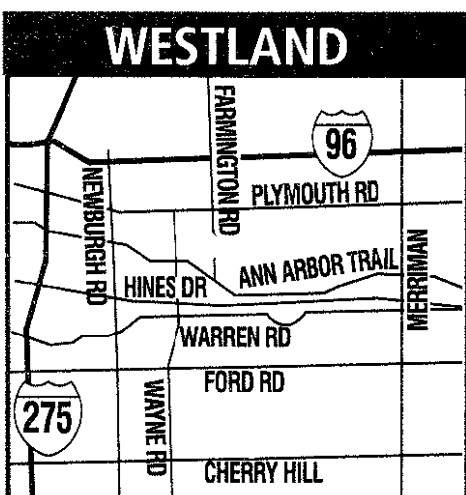
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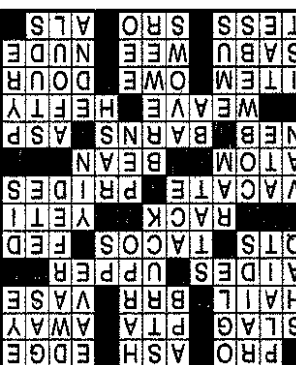




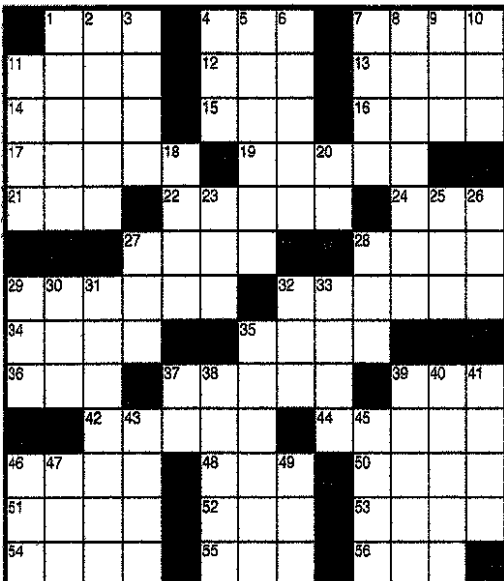
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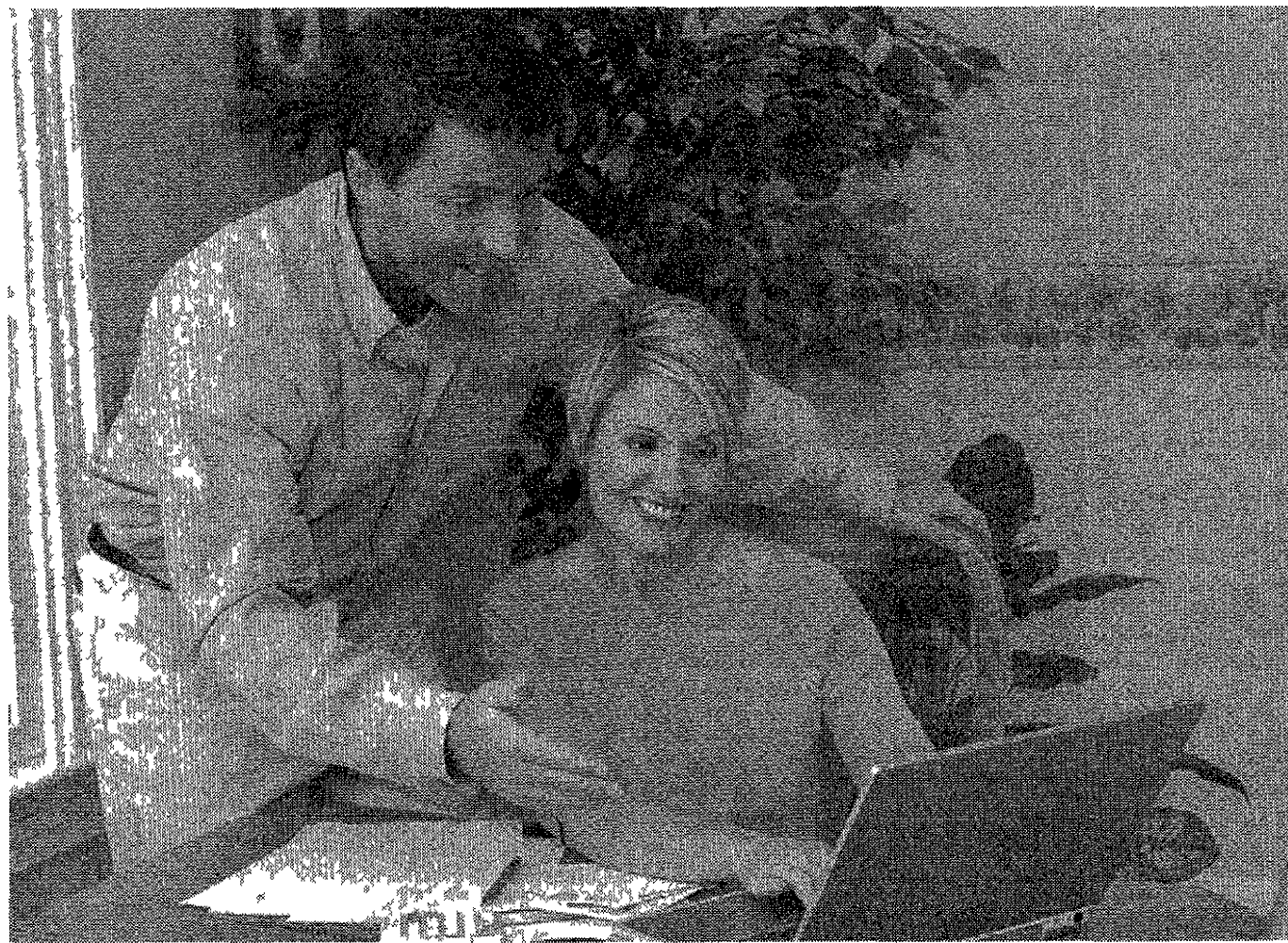
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(E60KNE) 248 349-5600 \$149,900



**DEARBORN** Great Location  
This 2 bedroom is waiting for you w th garage that has cable TV access some appliances and a patio Closed to school and park w th pool and tennis courts  
(E48DAR) 734 455 5600 \$105,000



**WESTLAND** Fantastic Buy!  
This charming 3 bedroom brick ranch offers Livonia schools partially finished basement huge deck hardwood floors in living room and under carpet in bedrooms updated kitchen Also a nice 2 car garage  
(E25MER) 734 455-5600 \$154,900




**NORTHVILLE** Absolutely Stunning  
This charming 4 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial has it all Newer siding windows roof furnace & kitchen cabs and flooring Family room with fireplace 2 car attached garage large deck with newer lumber top & much more  
(E09LAD) 734-455-5600 \$314,900



**NOVI** Ranch Like New  
Accessible with no steps & 1 car att garage Double lot w/pr vacy fence & above ground pool Fresh paint & newer carpet Jetted tub in master bath 3 bedrooms 2 baths Super location near x ways & 12 Oaks Applis  
(E30PAR) 248 349-5600 \$189,900



**SOUTH LYON** 55+ Ranch Condo  
Clean and neutral 2 bedroom 2 bath 1 story Central a r Florida room garage finished lower level with guest/den room Newer doors windows carpet and pat n clubhouse & beach on Crooked Lake  
(E87CAM) 248-349-5600 \$144,000



**FARMINGTON HILLS** Country Living  
Offered in this spacious 5 bedroom 3 bath ranch This home has tall large master suite n law quarters open floor plan spacious great room 2 garages 6 ft ng on approximately 1 4 acres  
(E65CAN) 734-455-5600 \$319,500



**DEARBORN** You'll Love This One  
2 full baths in this 3 bedroom ranch offering fam ly room w th natural fireplace bright kitchen with spacious breakfast area large yard appliances garage on pretty street  
(E15SYR) 734 455 5600 \$135,000



**NORTHVILLE TWP** Spacious Colonial  
On beautiful interior lot in Crestwood Manor Everything from hardwood 2 story foyer with wind ng sta rcase to full prof finished basement Formal DR FR w/fireplace den w/bay window mstr ste w/WICs & Jacuzzi + att gar  
(E10ROL) 734-455-5600 \$674,000



**MILFORD** Upper Ranch Condo  
Gorgeous 2 bedroom 2 bath carriage unit in Milford place Open floor plan GR DR w/doorwall to private deck Bright k tchen w/appliances FFL many updates 2 5 car attached garage Best location n the complex  
(E64MIL) 248-349-5600 \$149,900



**WYANDOTTE** Great House Affordable!  
Perfect bungalow setting on quiet street Newer roof unique HWY Huge yard ready for BBQs & volleyball games! So much potential! Bring your offer hang your hat & call it home  
(E67NIN) 248-349 5600 \$115,000



**CANTON** Unbelievable Value!  
In this 4 bedroom 2 5 bath updated colonial w/partially finished basement 2 car attached garage kitchen w/oak cabs floor sink & countertop Fam ly room w/frpic formal LR & DR Eat in nook w/doorwall to deck  
(E48RAI) 734 455 5600 \$229,900



**VAN BUREN** Attention To Details  
In this 4 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial w/high ceilings crown molding maple cabs T/O hardwood firs and more M d level master ste w/cath ceilings Large 3 car attached garage x deep bsmt w/daylight windows  
(E91PON) 734 455-5600 \$329,900



**NORTHVILLE** Spectacular Colonial  
Huge 4 bedroom 2 5 bath home w/enormous drive gourmet kit w/muple cabinets & hwdw floors Winding staircase MBR w/master bath & WIC 2 fireplaces 3 car gar W/O basement & dual heating & cooling  
(E65HIL) 248-349-5600 \$664,900



**REDFORD** Charming Ranch  
Wonderful 3 BR ranch on shady tree lined street in great neighborhood home has new windows fenced in yard 2 car garage and partially finished basement Perfect for rac room Kitchen appliances included  
(E03NEG) 248-349-5600 \$124,900



**WYANDOTTE** Historic Home  
Lovely 3 BR colonial on double lot with so much cha actor Many updates including Pargo floors plus some hardwood New roof in 2004 Landscaping close to water parks & historic town square A steal!  
(E31SEC) 248-349-5600 \$136,000



**GARDEN CITY** Move Right In!  
To this recently remodeled brick ranch with newer furnace updated electric replacement w ndows finished basement beaut ful k tchen hardwood floors & freshly painted Walk to Garden City park  
(E68LEO) 734-455-5600 \$145,500



**DEARBORN** 55+ Adult Condo  
10th floor 1 bedroom 1 bath condo Freshly painted w/newer crpt disposal shower door (all n 04) Custom mirrored foyer doors blinds & drapery updated k t Assoc fee includes taxes & utilities  
(E00MOR) 734-455-5600 \$74,900



**WIXOM** Beautifully Maintained  
Vary nice 3 bedroom 1 5 bath home w th open floor plan neutral decor vinyl siding central air 2 car attached garage Private yard and many updates All th s and a 1 year home warranty  
(E34WEN) 248-349 5600 \$179,900



**TYRONE TWP** Charming Country Setting  
5 bedroom 2 5 bath nicely updated home on over an acre Newer roof windows siding and more Oak k tchen with skylight Mechanics dream 2 5 car garage heated with workshop Large living room frpic w/insert  
(E62MCG) 248-349-5600 \$279,900



**COMMERCE** Mystic Forest  
Fabulous model now for sale Two story foyer And sen windows granite hardwood floors walk out baths Terraced rear yard 3 car garage Best of everything Don't wait won't last  
(E56DAR) 248-349-5600 \$489,900



**PLYMOUTH** In The Heart Of Town  
Charming colonal with wonderful curb appeal offers newer vinyl siding and w ndows open floor plan oak staircase and ban ster living room with fireplace and mant e + partially fin shed basement and ga age  
(E57PAL) 734 455 5600 \$199,900



**ROMULUS** Great Looking House  
This 3 bedroom fr level has many updates large yard open kitchen freshly painted 2 car garage with newer door Appliances deck and home warranty  
(E06HAL) 734 455 5600 \$134,000



**BELLEVILLE** Lakefront Property  
Open fir plan w/Andersen doors to patio or deck overlooks wooded yd & all sports lake Fishing & boating (dock incl.) Profes ndscape w/cn drive 2 frpics LR & FR Newer A/C & HWH Also for lease  
(E07HAR) 248 349-5600 \$600,000



**NOVI** Spectacular Custom Home  
Beautifully detailed offers 4 spacious bedrooms 4 5 baths Master suite features fireplace 2 WIC & granite bath Gourmet kitchen w/Viking stove Sub Zero frng Walkout LL w/heatd firs sauna & full granite kitchen  
(E55VAS) 248-349-5600 \$989,000



**NORTHVILLE** Discover A Perfect Oasis  
Amazing woodland lot with creek shelters Newly crafted home that gracefully blends historic with contemporary in soothing comfort & style designed for the way you live Beautiful stone wood & granite  
(E35HIQ) 248-349-5600 \$899,900



**GARDEN CITY** Don't Miss This One!  
G eat opportunity to own this charming 4 bedroom bungalow with attached garage large kitchen deck off side door hardwood floors and double lot a n a great city  
(E74PIE) 734-455 5600 \$119,900



**NORTHVILLE TWP** Elegance At Its Best  
Enter into a gallery foyer leading to stately music conservatory luxurious master suite execut ve kitchen with volume ceilings crown mold ng & granite T/O Hwdw floors 5 bdrms 4 2 baths cust LL w/walk out  
(E04CLA) 734 455-5600 \$1,087,500



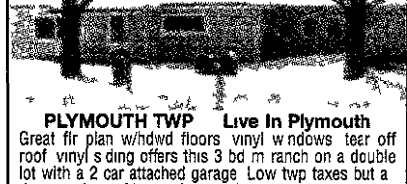
**WALLED LAKE** Gorgeous 2-Story Condo  
3 BR 2 5 BA plus nice loft area Light oak kitchen with granite counters & snack bar Two way frpic n DR & GR Vaulted ceilings & skylights Master BR w/walk in East Bay Village offers communit y dock pool & clubhouse  
(E28SAN) 248-349-5600 \$339,900



**LIVONIA** Popular Willow Woods Sub  
3 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial Great room w/fireplace kitchen w/Corian counters island wood floors W/O to beautifully landscaped yard fac ng golf course Newer windows partially finished basement Home warranty  
(E82BRE) 248-349-5600 \$324,900



**WATERFORD** Cozy Home  
Hardwood floors in great room with fieldstone fireplace updated kitchen Jacuzzi tub large lot room to expand a ge basement 1 year home warranty included Immed ate occupancy  
(E34HUR) 248 349-5600 \$136,900



**PLYMOUTH TWP** Live In Plymouth  
Great fir plan w/wndd floors vinyl windows tear off roof vinyl siding offers this 3 bdm ranch on a double lot with a 2 car attached garage Low tax rates but a amenities of lving close to downtown  
(E45BRO) 734 455 5600 \$195,000




**VAN BUREN** Awesome Location  
This 4 bedroom 2 5 bath colonial backing to Stonebridge Park offers spacious LR FR w/frpic & med a room 2 car attached garage basement & k t appls Walking trails common pool bu t n 2001  
(E60WAL) 734 455-5600 \$294,900



**GENOA TWP** Maintenance Free Home  
3 BR 2 5 BA on an lg corner lot in Willow Creek Profes pa nted hwdw firs gas frpic crown moldings FFL Huge mstr ste w/dressing area Fenced yd w/spr nkles & profes landscp Fin daylight bsmt w/bar  
(E23MEN) 248-349-5600 \$244,900



**PLYMOUTH** Picture Perfect Ranch  
Nothing to do but enjoy th s well maintained clean home with tons of updates Newer carpet windows roof and more Beaut ful yard sprinklers patio Award winning schools Quiet sub with lots of trees Warranty  
(E20REV) 248 349-5600 \$220,000



**LIVONIA** Sharp Home  
Almost everything s newer in this updated 3 bedroom 2 bath home Walk out LL hardwood floors newer k tchen windows roof New furnace & A/C 03 Open floor plan Great fenced yard for 1st summer BBQ  
(E11MAP) 248-349-5600 \$179,900

**Relocation Services** 800-448-5817

**CENDANT** Mobility Broker Network

Birmingham 248-642-8100	Chestertfield Twp 586-949-5590	Clarkston 248-620-7200	Clinton Twp 586-286-6000	Commerce Twp 248-363-1200	Fraser 586-294-3855	Grosse Pointe 313-866-5040	Northville 248-349-5600
Plymouth 734-455-5600	Rochester 248-652-8000	Royal Oak 248-280-4777	Shelby Twp 586-731-8180	St. Clair Shores 586-778-8100	Sterling Heights 586-939-2800	Troy 248-524-1800	West Bloomfield 248-626-8800





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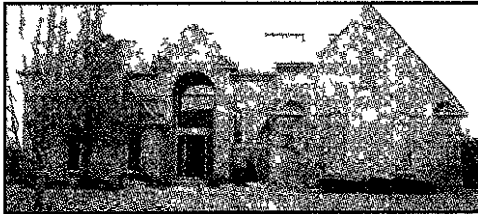
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**NORTHVILLE** 734-591-9200  
Luxurious Waterfront Living! Spacious open floor plan 1st floor master Finished lower level with walk-out 4 FP 4 BR 4.5 BA 3 car garage Beautiful deck overlooking lake Must see all the great features! (26009788) \$869 000



**PLYMOUTH** 734-455-7000  
FIT FOR A KING AND QUEEN! You've found your castle! Truly beautiful Cape Cod on lovely professionally landscaped 1 acre lot Elegantly designed 3BR/3.5BA with loft 4 car garage Call Now! (25173088) \$649 900



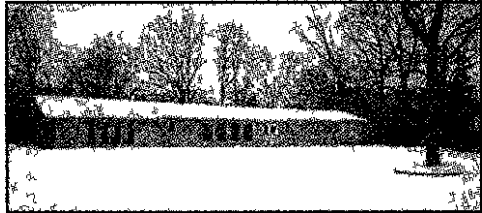
**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
BETTER THAN NEW CANT BEGIN TO DESCRIBE! Backs to pond Deck Maple kit w/grmte walk in pantry New lights carpet Hardwood in kit & foyer Fin bsmt w/2BR & 1/2 BA 4 FP Master suite w/sitting rm BA w/jet tub (26014577) \$499 900



**NOVI** 248-348-6430  
ELEGANT HOME ON PROF MANICURED LOT Crown molding custom paint gourmet kit gorgeous sunroom custom enclosed cedar deck prof fin LL w/BA FR & exercise rm 349 6200 (25171977) \$489 900



**NOVI** 734-591-9200  
New Construction fully completed! 4 BR 2.5 baths 2 774 SF 3BR & 2.5 bath brick Colonial built in 1994 Offers large eat in kitchen dining room den master with WIC & bath Great Room with FP On serene wooded lot! (26006225) \$439 900



**FARMINGTON HILLS** 734-591-9200  
Huge 4 BR ranch on 1.5 acres Totally renovated up & down & stem to stern 4 BR FR LR new white kitchen DR 3 car garage & more (25178532) \$379 900



**FARMINGTON HILLS** 734-591-9200  
Impressive 4BR 2.5 bath brick Colonial with peaked roof gentle lines & artfully elegant accents Large eat-in kitchen with upgrades Over \$100 000 in updates over the last 5 yrs (25174102) \$374 900



**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
WONDERFULLY MAINTAINED RANCH! Open floor plan w/neutral decor spacious kitchen GR with fireplace & vaulted ceiling fin bsmt w/FR craft room & walk-in Cedar closet 349 6200 (25132853) \$358 900



**LIVONIA** 734-591-9200  
New Construction fully completed! 4 BR 2.5 baths 2 144 sq ft maple cabinets & granite countertops Livonia Stevenson High School (25070062) \$339 900



**FARMINGTON HILLS** 734-455-7000  
WELCOME HOME! to this great 4BR/2.5BA Colonial backing to huge commons area Remodeled kitchen has beautiful light maple cabinets & corian counters (26018603) \$317 400



**PLYMOUTH** 248-348-6430  
Nature lovers delight! 2.2 acres w/Plymouth Canton schools Tons of features including new oak kitchen new roof vinyl windows hardwood floors Spacious room sizes with 4 BR & 2 full BA 349 6200 (25141161) \$299 950



**SOUTH LYON** 248-437-3800  
Great Home In Sand Crane Crossing! This 4 bedroom Colonial boasts open floor plan with grand foyer formal dining room & family room with natural fireplace Finished walkout basement (26013808) \$288 900



**GARDEN CITY** 734-591-9200  
Gorgeous tastefully decorated dream home! Living room with natural fireplace dining room with doorwall to large deck Main floor laundry room Master BR w/WIC & bath and much more! (25123739) \$231 500



**BELLEVILLE** 734-326-2000  
NEED TOY SPACE? Look here! Newer built Cape Cod on large lot 3 car garage with heat & water Full basement 2.5 baths C/A 3 season room & RV hookup (26006051) \$224 900



**CANTON** 734-455-7000  
A DREAM COME TRUE! 3BR Colonial with updated kitchen Beautiful maple cabinets & hardwood floors Major updates complete and ready for you to move in! (25162144) \$209 900



**WAYNE** 734-326-2000  
COUNTRY IN THE CITY! Gorgeous Wooded Ravine Lot Full Brick Exterior Cove Ceilings Fireplace Formal Dining Room Finished Basement C/A & much more (25127524) PC 220612 \$189 900



**NORTHVILLE** 248-348-6430  
BEAUTIFUL CONDO! Spacious 3 bedroom 2.5 bath unit with a finished basement Updated kitchen furnace A/C H2O windows Deck fireplace newer carpet Everything you want is in this one! 349 6200 (25126841) \$189 900



**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
EVERYTHING IS NEW OR NEWER! Gorgeous n level on a quiet dead end street Huge backyard large deck fireplace new tile paint & carpet (26001996) \$184 500



**BROWNSTOWN TWP** 248-851-1900  
MOVE IN READY 4 BEDROOM! Well maintained move-in condition 4BR Updated kitchen Doorwall to balcony Huge master suite New roof 2004 Beautifully landscaped (25143381) \$179 900



**DEARBORN** 248-348-6430  
SUPER SHARP! 5 BR 2.5 BA home Totally remodeled from the inside out in 2004 New kitchen baths windows doors roof siding plumbing hardwood floors 349 6200 (25136031) \$170 000



**REDFORD** 734-591-9200  
1400 sq ft brick ranch Completed updates include New kitchen & BA furnace w/CA elect services roof windows ceramic floor in kitchen & foyer 2 car attached garage sun room brick paver patio & fenced yard (25146630) \$169 900



**FARMINGTON HILLS** 248-851-1900  
COMPLETELY UPDATED RANCH! Updated roof furnace A/C windows baths + more! Spacious kitchen built-ins Master w/huge bath WIC Recessed lighting fireplace 1987 built 3BR 2BA ranch 2 car garage 220 line (25171814) \$149 900



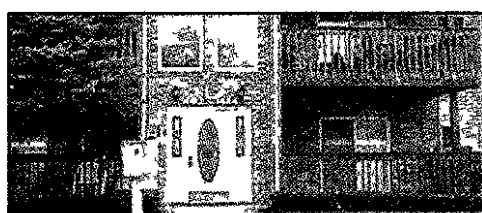
**WESTLAND** 734-591-9200  
Great Location! Well maintained 2 BR 1.5 bath condo (end unit) Kitchen features granite counter tops Living room has FP for the cool winter evenings basement & attached garage Livonia Schools (26006125) \$149 900



**WAYNE** 734-326-2000  
TOTALLY UPDATED EXC NEIGHBORHOOD! 3 BR Brick Ranch new windows carpet freshly painted glass block basement windows new kitchen & bath 3 car garage w/ electric Bay window in LR New Light fixtures (26012062) \$139 900



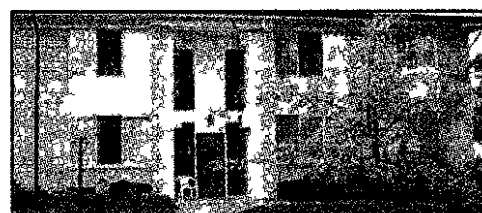
**LIVONIA** 248-348-6430  
CHARMING 2 BR RANCH! Updates include kitchen vinyl siding & trim roof furnace HWH vinyl windows driveway parquet flooring in LR Livonia schools Must see! 349 6200 (25175714) \$124 500



**WESTLAND** 734-326-2000  
EXQUISITE BEST DESCRIBES this 2 bedroom 2 bath ground floor ranch condo in Westland with newer carpeting Anderson windows walk in closets master bath and central air (26005008) \$116 900



**DETROIT** 734-326-2000  
GREAT STARTER HOME! This cozy 2 bedroom 1.5 bath home is full of updates Large living room with fireplace and formal dining room Pced to sell quickly (26013744) \$79 900



**REDFORD** 248-348-6430  
VERY CLEAN 1ST FLOOR END UNIT CONDO! Payment lower than renting Includes heat/water newer windows/roof New berber carpet hardwood floors in master BR with WIC Appliances stay 349 6200 (25140702) \$50 900

**CANTON** 734-455 7000  
WOODS AT CHERRY HILL VILLAGE 4BR/3 BA Colonial Spec nestled n protected woodlands Three home styles available to build Builder Upgrades of \$10 000 to buyer if PA is signed by 4/15/06 Open Fr day thru Wednesday 12:00 5:00pm (24158216) \$499 900

**LIVONIA** 734 591 9200  
Check out this 2000 sq ft Ranch n Burton Hollow Open floor plan offers gourmet kit w/skylight Updates include roof HWH Furnace Kitchen floor & carpet F n basement w/sauna & shower (25064481) \$239 900

**NOVI** 248 348 6430  
BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME Prem um 1 acre lot with exempary Northville schools Sub close to Nov Sports Pk Maybury Slate Pa k 349 6200 (25179993) \$168 000

**REDFORD** 734 591 9200  
NEW Clean & charm ng Bungalow New paint carpet fixtures doors H2O heater & windows updated BA & kt K1 w/granite countertops 3 car gar Bsmt has new pa nt & tile Plenty of storage space (25178967) \$121 000

**CANTON** 734-455 7000  
CHECK THIS ONE OUT! 3BR Condo w th master on the 1st floor Hardwood floor n entry way hallway and kitchen 2.5 BA full bsmt and loft Ready to go! Hurry! (26006804) \$215 500

**LIVONIA** 734 591 9200  
Another beaut ful updated Burton Hollow ranch! Newer kitchen with corian counters & ght oak cabinets Ceramic floors n kitchen & baths Hardwood floors throughout (25064481) \$239 900

**PINCKNEY** 248-437 3800  
Pr vate and wooded! Beaut ful Colonial w th great sett ng Kitchen w/mplae cabinets granite countertops gas Frap ace study/o/ce formal d n ng room w th many upgrades! (25154003) \$374 900

**SOUTH LYON** 248-437-3800  
Immaculate Home In Trotters Po ntel Great Room with nat/gas hookup l replace Large office/den on main floor First floor master w/garden tub n bath Fin bsmt w/workshop (26014378) \$329 900

**CANTON** 734-455 7000  
WHY PAY h gh rent when you can build equty? This owly end unit condo is located well at back of comp ex 2 bedrooms 2 full bath Neutral decor Cal Now (25172728) \$119 900

**NORTHVILLE** 248-348 6430  
Elegant & del ghful townhouse! Warm & nvlt ng condo w/open LR & DR Features 2 way fireplace Light kitchen w/nook & balcony 1st floor master BR Guest room & bath upstair Ample storage 349 6200 (25154097) \$227 000

**PLYMOUTH** 734-455 7000  
LOOKING FOR PLYMOUTH? LOOK NO FURTHER! H stor cal home has everyth ng you need ncluding a great priced 2 car gar G eat backyard walk ng dist to downtown Th s s a must see (25142167) \$230 000

**SOUTH LYON** 248-437-3800  
Completely Remodeled! From top to bottom with open floor plan Incl new kitchen with new appliances new half bath hardwood floor s new carpet ng & much more!! (25169058) \$174 500

**DEARBORN HEIGHTS** 248-348 6430  
Des reable Woodcreek sub! Many updates Furnace A/C H2O heater updated kitchen oak cabinets large Flor da room fin bsmt larg treed lot & home warranty 348-6430 (25166993) \$299 900

**NOVI** 248 348 6430  
NEW PRIVATE ENTRY CONDO IN NORTHVILLE Seller hates to leave th s qu et home n prest g us Springwater Park Close to schools shopping & xways Over 1500 sq ft 349-6200 (25018671) \$223 000

**PLYMOUTH** 734 591 9200  
Beaut ful home! In the heart of Plymouth Huge backyard w/large deck Updatd nc New windows roof newer furn HWH & landscapng Hardwood floors part F n bsmt (25123021) \$209 900

**SOUTHFIELD** 248-851 1900  
GREAT VALUE 3 BR 2 BA ranch Large mature treed lot Fireplace n LR garage conversion offers lg bonus room w/many poss ble uses French doors off FR to deck (26018040) \$153 900

**GARDEN CITY** 734-455 7000  
SUPER HOME! You l ove th s beaut ful br ck ranch F n bsmt 2 full BA Newer roof A/C deck copper plumb ng kt carpet circut box HWH too many to list Cal today! (25199275) \$159 900

**NOVI** 248 348 6430  
SLAND LAKE 4 SEASON LAKE VIEW HOME Wooded lot 4456 SF of spacous l v ng area plus profess onaly finished w/o LL w/ kitchen bath office & more Gran te kitchen & luxury master suite 349 6200 (25172847) \$889 900

**PLYMOUTH** 734-455 7000  
PRIME PLYMOUTH LOCATION! PRICE REDUCED 3 BR Bungalow offering prem um downtown locat on & schools Loaded with updates Ava for mmed occup (26001108) \$199 900

**WAYNE** 734 591 9200  
Why rent when you can buy? Sharp 2 BR v nyl s dead ranch Spac LR & lg BR newer w ndows & flooring nice backyard w/pr vacy fence Al app move right In! (25167229) \$97 900

**LIVONIA** 248 348 6430  
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**NOVI** 248 348 6430  
Huge mast e BR w/pr vate BA & WIC Cozy Frap ace neutra decor fabulous backyard w mpr u level deck & wh te vinyl fence 349-6200 (26017767) \$219 000

**REDFORD** 734-591 9200  
Not your average Bungalow F oor plan has been redes gred mak ng t wonderfu y un que & funct onal New furnace updated kitchen windows w/rng plumbing carpet & much mo e Maste has natural FP & more (25121601) \$134 000

**TAYLOR** 248-348 6430  
COMFORTABLE AND INVITING! Cozy 3 BR 1.5 BA Colon al w/ newer open k tcher Natural FP n FR More new windows & doorwal l Beaut fully fn bsmt 349 6200 (25179416) \$187 500

**LIVONIA** 734 591 9200  
Hurry to th s beautiful 4BR 2.5 bath Colonial in Franaville Sub Fabulous curb appeal family room with FP open to kitchen Bsmt 2 car attached garage C ean great 600 sq ft deck Livonia Stevenson HS (25080889) \$289 900

**NOVI** 248-348 6430  
YOU CAN BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME HERE! Fabu os 1 acre lot n prest gious area w/Northville schools Mature trees v ews of des gnated woodlands & wetlands on 3 s des Land contract ava ble 349 6200 (25172244) \$200 000

**REDFORD** 734-591 9200  
Br ck Bungalow! 3 BR 2 BA with fn bsmt & large of Home features FP C/A viny windows & more (25126396) \$129 900

**WESTLAND** 248 348 6430  
Remodeled Br ck Ranch Bonus Home \$2500 Credit toward clos ng costs N ce k tcher LR mstr fn bsmt fenced yard patio 2 car gar Livonia schools 349 6200 (25166356) \$162 500

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# 'DISCOVERING' WHAT TO CHARGE



**WORKWISE**  
by Mildred L. Culp

Constant change in the marketplace requires an increasingly sophisticated approach to

selling. A new product, service, industry or prospect presents a real sticking point. You must manage the process of determining a fee.

"Discovery" can be a legal term, but it defines a similar process in sales, uncovering "the parameters of the buyer's budget or intended investment," explains sales trainer Al Simon, president of Simon Inc., in Duluth, Ga. "The limit moves moment by moment when you're negotiating," states Jacques Werth, president of High Probability Selling in Philadelphia.

## 'FILLING IN THE HOLES'

You can be building trust during the negotiation process, although Allyson Lewis, strategic consultant at Seven Minutes Inc., in Jonesboro, Ark., doesn't negotiate, instead using a flat rate based upon value. "We offer so much to our customers so we feel that our price is what it is -- the value," she notes. "If they can't afford, they really can't afford it and that's okay."

If you do negotiate, focus upon "the entire solution" from the outset, advises Seleste Lunsford, senior product manager, sales portfolio, at Tampa's AchieveGlobal. "Then you have the option to negotiate price in the context of all the variables of the agreement, including terms and conditions and deliverables."

"Part of the (discovery) process is a step that determines the amount of money, time and other resources available to be invested," Simon remarks. "That's a ballpark. Then there's another step where we teach how to present the solution, including exact price. If the salesperson gets satisfactory answers to the ballpark and decision-making process questions, we say to go ahead with all details. If the salesperson has been doing it right, there shouldn't be any surprises for the buyer. It should be a matter of filling in the holes."

Simon uses a series of questions beginning with, "Do you have a budget set aside?" If so, he suggests finding out if the prospect "minds sharing it in round numbers." Some buyers won't, at which point you can say that "this isn't unusual" and ask "if I may state how much my solution will cost and you can tell me if we're in the ballpark?" Then

offer a range to see whether he can be comfortable with it." If not, rejoin with "What range were you thinking of?" If it's 20 percent (or more) less, say, "I think we have a problem."

"Then be quiet," Simon directs. "If the person just can't handle it, try reducing the scope."

Peter Stark of Peter Barron Stark & Associates in San Diego mentions that if a prospect says he'll use a competitor, all is not lost. "You can test this by meeting the price point and taking away some of the value you've offered. People do not like paying a high price but they hate losing value even more." He maintains that clients do, sometimes, "lie about their budget, but there are times when the price exceeds the value the client perceives they will receive from the product or service."

Dallas' Tom Niesen of Acuity Systems Inc., says that "making the person feel safe" is critical at this juncture. "Ask him to think of other places to get money, perhaps out of the marketing budget," he advises. Then, when he does, "create enough value for it."

But if the sale seems to be a no-go, he suggests countering, with an inquiring tone, "If you can't find any more money, I guess it is over?" Don't let an affirmative response stop you. Ferret out whether the



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person wants you to leave. Do you get another "yes?" Then elicit the most important information with this "What can you give me that I can go to the CEO with that will make him lower our price to meet yours?"

Of course, if you're the CEO, you've missed your cue. (Dr. Mildred L. Culp comments upon the workplace in national media. Copyright 2006 Passage Media.)

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## The 2006 Nissan Pathfinder

Advertising Feature

### Thursday DriveTime



BY DALE BUSS

After years of meandering around with its Pathfinder SUV, up and down and around the market segment that it helped create, Nissan finally pulled a Goldilocks with the new model that debuted as a 2005. It's not too big, not too small, it's not too truck-ish, not too much like a car, it's got the right mix of cargo-carrying and people-carrying space. True, Nissan could have abandoned the Goldilocks strategy in regard to some aspects of the 2006 Pathfinder. I would have appreciated a little more oomph and maybe a V8 engine instead of a very powerful V6. But all in all, the Pathfinder SE Off-Road version I drove came in very good in all the important areas. Pathfinder has become a nearly perfectly balanced SUV.

Pathfinder has been around for several years, such that it debuted around the time of the Ford Explorer and became among the first legitimate SUVs targeted at the mainstream American market that was produced by a Japan-based auto maker. But gradually, Pathfinder became a bit of an afterthought within the Pathfinder family, sort of like the middle child, hemmed in by a proliferation of models with clearer identities including the huge Armada, the sporty Xterra and the devilishly designed Murano. With its new Pathfinder, Nissan cannily has kept Pathfinder in the middle of the market but has put together a new vehicle that seems much more comfortable in the niche. For a suggested retail price of more than \$37,000 for the Pathfinder version I drove, the vehicle is solidly competitive where it wants to be.

Take the exterior styling. Pathfinder exhibits some of the hallmarks of Nissan's truly inspired design revolution, including an overall minimalist look, clean of the ridges and flourishes that many competitors show, the brand's bold, cross-hatched grille, and highly pronounced wheel wells. But Pathfinder doesn't make a show of its styling as the Nissan Murano does, or the company's Quest minivan. I also appreciated the wide running boards.

Performance-wise, Pathfinder is just OK. Nissan is proud of the fact that it's able to nurse 270 horsepower



The Pathfinder gets 21 mpg on the highway and 15 mpg in the city.

er out of its four-liter V6 that powers this vehicle, outstripping the V6 horsepower stats of competitors including the Volkswagen Touareg, Mitsubishi Montero, Toyota 4Runner and Explorer. But I'd like to see more oomph out of an SUV this big. I was disappointed in how slowly Pathfinder reacted in most situations.

Yes, Pathfinder does notch 15 mpg in the city and 21 mpg on the highway, which are decent enough numbers in this era of \$2.25-a-gallon-plus gasoline. But it seems the powerplant should be a little more robust.

Anyway, with a new all-independent suspension, Pathfinder's handling is very good for an SUV in its class, smothering road irregularities and cornering with appropriate amounts of both verve and control.

Nissan built in some truly off-road capabilities into this vehicle, such as a device to keep you from rolling back when starting up a hill, and likewise controls to let you roll down a hill slowly and safely. But they didn't count much for me because, like most Pathfinder drivers, I didn't plan on going off the road - on purpose, at least!

Inside the vehicle, Pathfinder shines again. I really enjoyed the front cockpit. There were plenty of places to stash things up front, including in the center con-

sole and even on the dash. The leather seats were very comfortable, the sunroof generous, the controls easy to understand and use - even the climate controls, once you understood that you're supposed to use the round knobs as toggle switches, which go up or down in increments as you turn them to a short stop, rather than treating them like rotary dials.

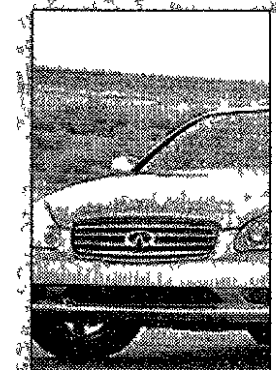
The second row of seats also presented all the amenities that passengers could need or desire, including a DVD player and dedicated climate controls and air vents. Ditto, actually, for the third row of seats that Nissan finally squeezed into Pathfinder for the first time.

Yet, for these passengers, Pathfinder came up a little short of ideal. The outside door handles for the rear doors are placed high up on the pillar, rather than on the door below the window - and stylishly slow. But that constitutes quite a reach for the kids who are typically going to be the third-row passengers. And it isn't easy even for kids to have to climb through the second row of seats as they must.

But those complaints comprise a bit of nitpicking. Welcome back, Pathfinder - you're where you should be.

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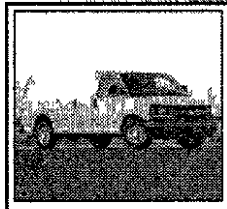
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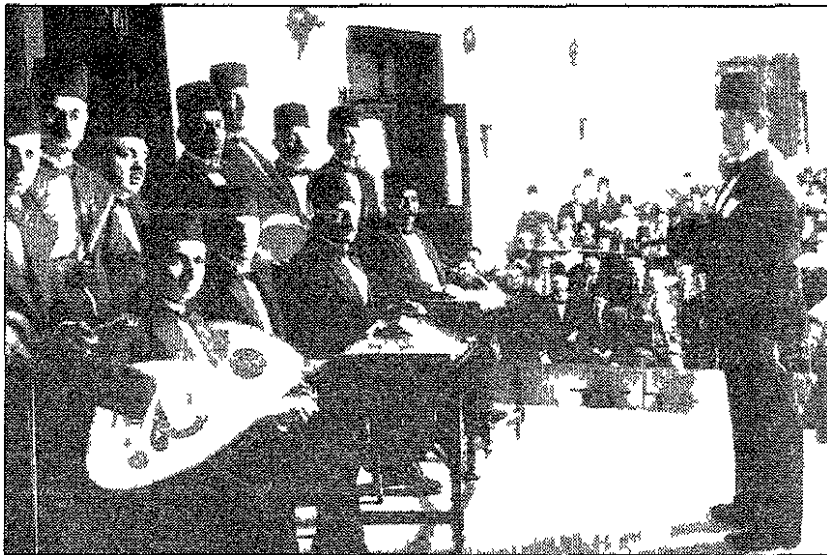


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At right, the Chicago Classical Oriental Ensemble will perform music from its new CD 'The Songs of Sayyed Darweesh Soul of a People' Pictured here is composer Darweesh (1892-1923)



# Ensemble revisits old sounds of 'Egypt's Verdi'

BY LANA MINI  
STAFF WRITER

The story of composer Sheikh Sayyed Darweesh is tragic. He's the man known as "Egypt's Verdi" who died in 1923 of a drug overdose at the young age of 31.

But before his death, Darweesh left a legacy of music that's exotic, hopeful and sultry — sounds of the Orient.

Darweesh was known as one of the Arab world's first modern music composers. The music evokes mental images of color, sunshine, belly dancers and pretty desert sands but also of realistic struggles about freedom and social justice.

The 1920s era of Egypt comes to life on the American stage in Ann Arbor on Tuesday, Feb. 21, when The Chicago Classical Oriental Ensemble presents *The Music of Sayyed Darweesh, "The People's Artist"*

Hicham Chamri and the Chicago Classical Oriental Ensemble recently released the CD *The Songs of Sayyed Darweesh Soul of a People*

The ensemble, whose members come from all over the Arab world with the average age of just 27 years old, includes celebrated vocalist Youssef Kassab.

It's a rare thing in the U.S. for a younger generation of musicians to perform this really old music, musical director and oud player Kareem Roustom said. It is part of both preserving our Arab tradition, art and culture and sharing it.

On stage the ensemble wears clothing typical of the day: European suits and tuxedos with bowties, along with the Tarbush cylinder hat and tassel, and seated on period furniture. Instruments such as qanun (a harp or

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# ANOTHER TIME, ANOTHER PLACE

## 'SHIP IN A VIEW' SYMBOLIZES, RECREATES ESCAPE

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

The Japanese performing arts company Pappa Tarahumara is known for its cutting-edge use of art forms, imagery, sound and stagecraft

Next week, the company returns to Ann Arbor to perform *Ship in a View* at the Power Center for the Performing Arts on the University of Michigan campus. The show is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 23.

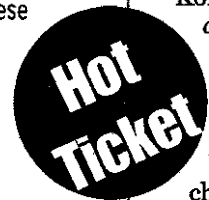
### THEATER FOR THE SENSES

**What:** The Japanese performance troupe Pappa Tarahumara presents *Ship in a View*

**When:** 8 p.m.  
Thursday, Feb. 23

**Where:** Power Center for the Performing Arts, 121 Fletcher Street, University of Michigan campus, Ann Arbor

**Tickets:** \$16-\$36. Call the University Musical Society at (734) 764-2538 or outside the area code at (800) 221-1229 or visit [www.ums.org](http://www.ums.org)



Created by the company's founder, Hiroshi Koike, *Ship in a View* is an autobiographical piece by my childhood memories," said Koike, who grew up in Hitachi City, a major Japanese port bordered by the Pacific Ocean on the east and the Abukuma mountain country on the west.

Born in 1956, Koike witnessed how industrialization and economic growth changed the character of his home. He described the transformation as "confusing times in my home city."

*Ship in a View* is about how "I wanted to escape the city. A ship is metaphor for escape," he said.

Courting themes of human estrangement in the modern age and man's tendencies to seek escape from reality, view the past with nostalgia and idealize beauty all play out in *Ship in a View*.

The story is simple: a ship journeys from a seaside town in the 1960s to a futuristic scene of imagery, movement and beauty. The loose narrative framework of the 100-minute production allows audience members to themselves experience the journey and escape into sound and sight.

Pappa Tarahumara's presentations are always multi-medium in that any and all art forms may appear on the stage in a multitude of innovative combinations, with no one form necessarily playing a lesser or greater role than others. Dance, theater, music, lighting, costume, stage props, film and video — you name it, it's up for grabs.

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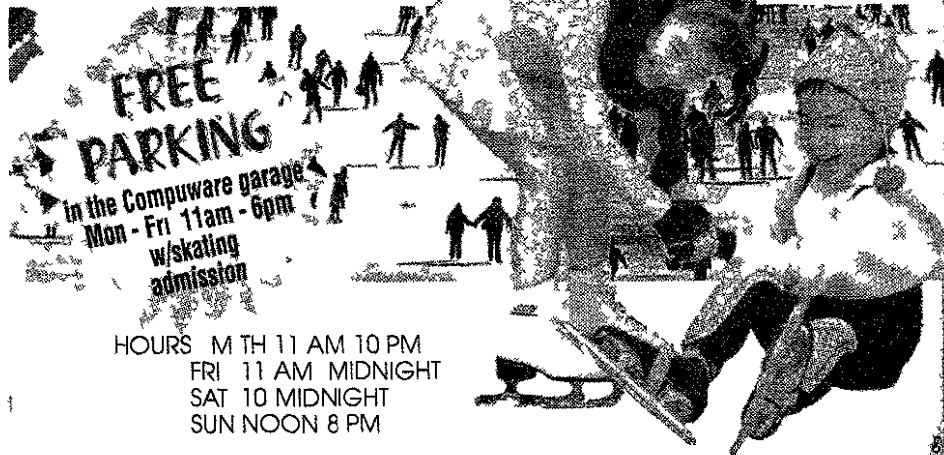
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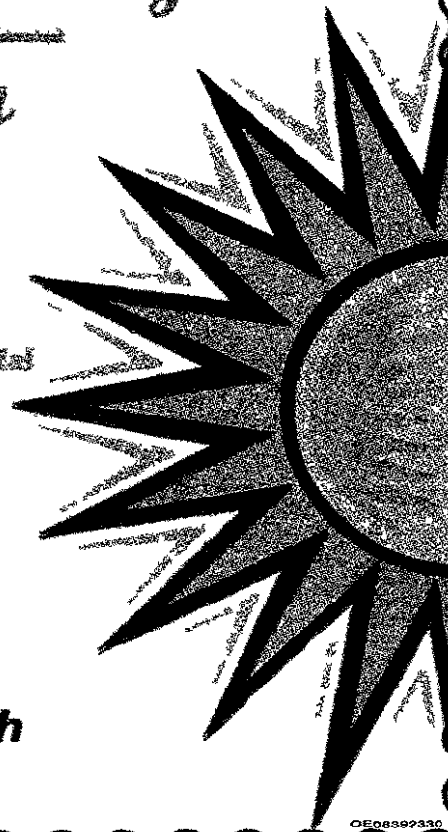
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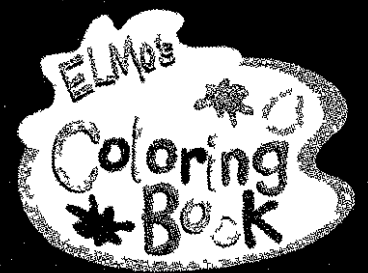


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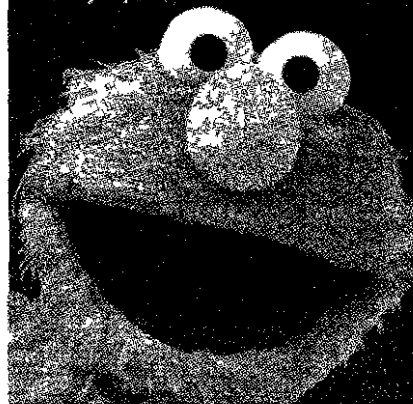
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## Love and jealousy

Two Shakespeare plays go up at WSU

BY NICOLE STAFFORD  
STAFF WRITER

When it comes to the stage, it doesn't get any better than William Shakespeare

And coming soon to Wayne State University's student theaters are two works by the Bard

*Antony and Cleopatra* opens March 3 at the Hilberry Theatre and is presented by students of the college's distinguished MFA theater program. The play continues in rotating repertory through May 3.

*Othello* opens March 3 and plays through March 12 at the Bonstelle Theatre. Shakespeare's stage works never fail to resonate with audiences, said Blair Anderson, chair of the university's theater department.

The Bard's universal human themes frequently speak to modern-day current events and sentiments, no matter what they might be, he said. *Antony and Cleopatra* is a love story.

### ON LOVE

**What** William Shakespeare's *Antony and Cleopatra* presented by Wayne State University's Hilberry Theatre MFA program.  
**When** Opens March 3 and runs in rotating repertory through May 3. Most performances scheduled 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday.  
**Where** Hilberry Theatre, Wayne State University campus, Detroit.  
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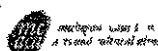
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Power Center  
Performed without intermission  
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Riccardo Muti, conductor  
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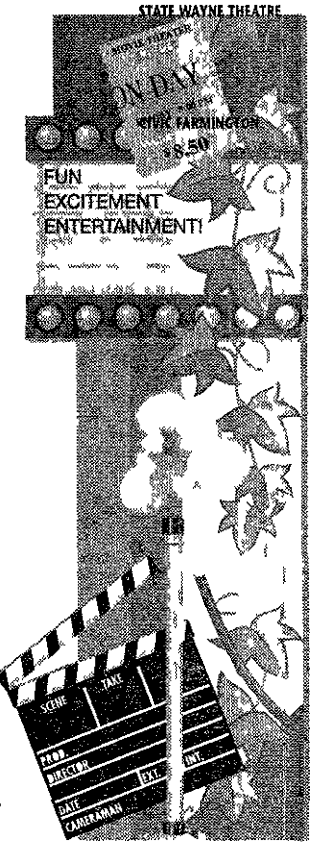
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Are those dancers men or women and does it even matter?

Sure, Cirque du Soleil has been on television, but it's just not the same as live. This time you don't have to travel to Las Vegas to see it, and this isn't a mini-version of Cirque coming to the Joe Louis Arena on Friday and Saturday, Feb 24 and 25. It's a full-blown show. Tickets are still available.

Cirque du Soleil, based in Quebec and enormously popular in Vegas, presents *Delirium*, a show driven by an urban tribal beat and wild visuals, musicians, singers and dancers who together transform the arena into joyous frenzy.

*Delirium* is the quest for balance in a world out of sync with reality. It pushes the limit of arena performance through technical immensity, human introspection and creative dexterity.

The show is an urban tale. A state-of-the-art mix of music, dance, theater, and multimedia.

In Cirque's past shows, the lyrics in the music have been an invented language - something that sounds beautiful but no one understands. Doing so created a dream-like atmosphere that allowed viewers to create their own meanings of the shows. But in *Delirium*, for the first time in Cirque history, lyrics are written in English, French, Spanish, Wolof and Portuguese.

Also for the first time, Cirque musicians and singers will be centerstage as the music will be the driving force of this gigantic event. Usually the musicians are heard, but not easily seen.

Some of the musicians are percussionist brothers El Hadji Fall Diouf and Pape Abdou Karim Diouf of Senegal, Gaia who have Brazilian and Peruvian roots dipped in funk, soul and electro jazz. Also performing: keyboardist and band leader Ric'key

Pageot, Italian-born percussionist Raffaele Artigheri, and Brazilian Italo-Cuban singer Dessy Di

The biographies of the Cirque staff can be mind-boggling. From the top to the bottom (if there is a bottom), creativity oozes.

For example Kiki Nesbitt, the show's executive producer, was production manager for *Alegria* and *La Nouba*, for which she also coordinated the creation of the theater in Orlando, Fla.

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**What:** Its first ever live arena event

**Where:** Joe Louis Arena

**When:** 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday Feb. 23-24

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Nesbitt graduated from the National Theater School of Canada in 1974, helped create the Mass celebrated by Pope John Paul II in Quebec in 1984, developed the light and sound show marking the 350th anniversary of the discovery of Quebec City, and assisted with the musical *Napoleon Lama*, featuring French singer Serge Lama.

She produced the award-winning *Syncope*, represented her country at the Festival de Limoges in France and was a producer for the Montreal International Jazz Festival. Cirque has been her home for more than a decade.

"I'm driven by challenges," Nesbitt said. "And *Delirium* is an ambitious and complex production involving an astounding number of artistic, technical and operational parameters that have to mesh together in a very short time."

*Delirium* was created and directed by Michel Lemieux and Victor Pilon. This unique, large-scale event may be the most massive technical production ever created to tour arenas.

It includes a 130-foot, two-sided stage that bisects the arena - submerging the audience in the huge set. At least 540 feet of projections dominate the scene - the equivalent in width of almost four IMAX screens - setting the stage for a colossal multimedia presentation.

The show includes 45 multidisciplinary artists, each selected for individual virtuosity. It includes singers, dancers, acrobatic dances choreographed by Dave St-Pierre, as well as classic Cirque du Soleil feats including aerial, acrosport and hand-balancing acts.

Cirque du Soleil began in 1984 and more than 50 million on four continents have seen shows.



*Delirium* is edgier, more urban than anything Cirque du Soleil has presented. The story features a lost soul floating through the air, looking for human contact, while a sinister man on stilts below deals with the shallow, driving pulse of the world.

STORY BY LANA MINI | STAFF WRITER



# Take Five

Everybody's Jumpin' about it

BY ELEANOR HEALD  
CORRESPONDENT

Sometimes you can't get tunes out of your head

Dave Brubeck's rendition of *Take Five*, followed by *Everybody's Jumpin'*, fit perfectly throughout my experience at the new Five Restaurant at The Inn at St Johns (named, however, for its location on Five Mile Road, not Brubeck's celebrated tune)

Without attempting to be all things to all people, Five offers diverse, innovative twists on American classic cuisine in a distinctly sophisticated, Euro-style atmosphere where moss green, celery and tangerine hues harmonize pleasantly with clubby dark woods

As a 70-seat hotel restaurant, Five offers breakfast/brunch, lunch and dinner



## ECLECTIC MENU

Whether you're powering up for the day or having a seal-the-deal business power breakfast, French toast and Executive Chef Tom MacKinnon's slant on a breakfast crepe are options in addition to breakfast standards. On the weekend, add a bloody Mary to top off a casual breakfast or brunch

House-made soups, salads and sandwiches at lunch are complemented by a number of main plate selections

Tandoori salmon is butter broiled and glazed with tandoori sauce, topped with frizzled leeks. In this mood, Tommy's Tandoori ribs are served with Tandoori BBQ sauce and fresh, organic root slaw

Following a preferred trend in eating out these days, small plate appetizers create a nice start, are a way to eat lighter or to experience a number of tastes. Here are a few: Chef Tommy Mac's Under Sea Experience with a seared colossal scallop, crab stuffed prawn and a lobster claw atop a calamari criss-cross. My Irish Egg Roll, a combination of lean corned beef, house-made mozzarella and spiced kraut, are one of the many tweaks on classics. MacKinnon has created for his 16-item small plates menu section

Lobster lovers can order it in a number of preparations



From the small plates menu at the bar at Five, Steak Dogs are char-grilled teriyaki tenderloin strips with house made onion buns, served with organic root slaw

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Fives Signature Grill features grilled beef tenderloin filet, seared to order and sliced over a dome of red pepper mash Braised Maple Leaf Farms breast of duck glaze is showcased with mango demi sauce, sweet corn and red pepper pyramid, garlic smashed potatoes and fresh vegetable terrine

#### EXTRAS

A globally influenced wine list offers choices from around the planet with many by the-glass offerings from \$7 to \$14

Among nine desserts, try Baileys Derby Hat, which looks like its name and accented by a multi-chocolate cane A server will top it with caramel sauce

When the weather warms, outdoor terrace seating will overlook The Inn at St John's pleasing grounds, verdant gardens and manicured golf course

In addition to his role as executive chef at Five Restaurant,

#### FIVE RESTAURANT

**Where:** 44045 Five Mile Road (inside The Inn at St John's) Plymouth (734) 414 0600

**Open:** Restaurant 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday Friday 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday Martini lounge 11 a.m. to midnight Monday Thursday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday noon to 11 p.m. Sunday

**Food style:** American with global influences

**Cost:** Check averages per person \$8 breakfast \$11.50 lunch and \$25 dinner

**Reservations.** recommended

MacKinnon serves as culinary director, supervising all kitchen operations at The Inn at St John's For more than two decades prior to this position, MacKinnon was chef/owner of MacKinnon's restaurant in Northville, which he has now turned over to his son Ian, who has worked in the kitchen with his father since he was 5 years old

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# EGYPTIAN

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dulcimer-style instrument), ud (lute), riqq (Arab tambourine), nay (flute) and Western classical instruments such as violin and cello, as well as male and female vocals, will be heard, as will hints of opera

For American audiences, Darweesh's repertoire offers both the familiar and the exotic with an intermix of East and West. The complex and vast music connects multiple sectors of society, which may be why Egypt chose Darweesh

(1892-1923) as the composer of its national anthem

During Darweesh's days, he was compared to Verdi, as some said the men shared similar physical features

"That is because I am Egypt's Verdi," so goes the story of Darweesh's words

Tragically he sold everything he owned to study opera in Italy, but he died and never made it there

Still, in his short seven-year musical career, Darweesh includes hundreds of songs and some call him the father of modern Arab music

Darweesh crossed musical boundaries of style, history, geography and genre. His music reflects a country contemplating its identity. Some songs con-

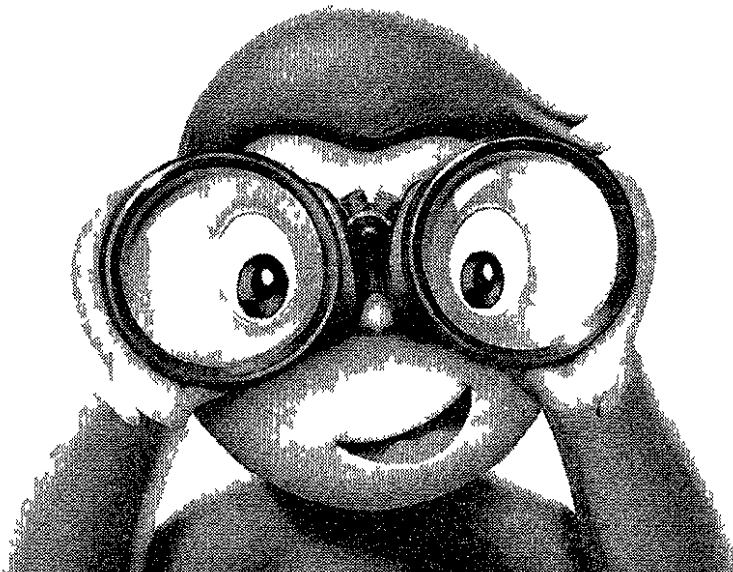
tain folk themes and speak to the common person. Others deal with women's rights, independence, nationalism and social justice

CCOE's tour recreates the ambiance of Darweesh's era—a time when his audiences listened to his music in Cairo's coffeehouses

Although Darweesh's music represented a people who just escaped hundreds of years of occupation, CCOE hopes audiences will feel a connection with those people—hearing that they share the same concerns as people in today's societies



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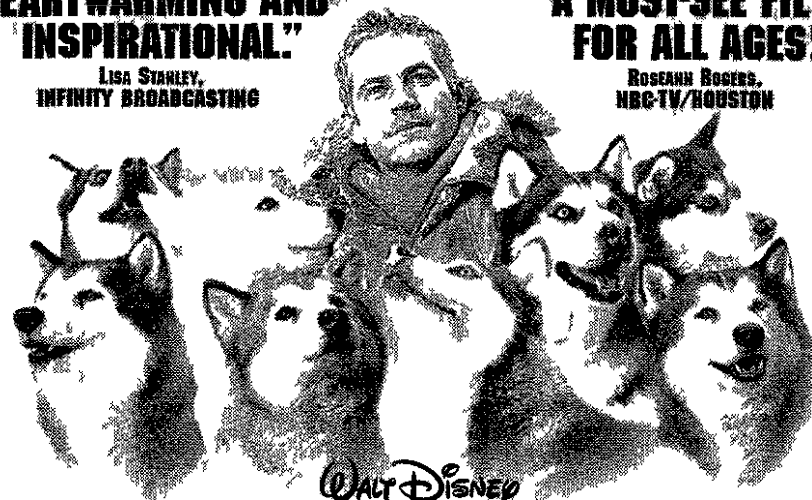
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Founded in 1982, Pappa Tarahumara has performed in the United Kingdom, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy, Australia and Hong Kong. The group has appeared at the Toga International Arts Festival, the Tokyo Metropolitan Theatre Festival and others.

A leading performing artist in Japan, Koike is chairman of the Asian Performing Artists Forum in Okinawa and director of the Tsukuba Cultural Foundation.

In 1998, the French

government invited him to research the performing arts scene in France.

What often distinguishes Koike's work is his use of audio-visual elements, but not so much in *Ship in a View*, he said, adding he relied more heavily on dance and what he described as "kinetic objects" than film for the show.

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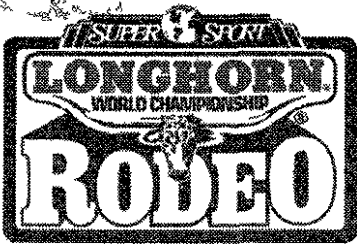


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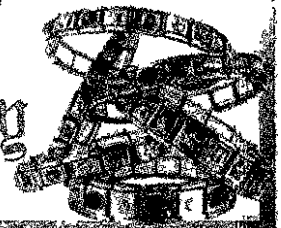
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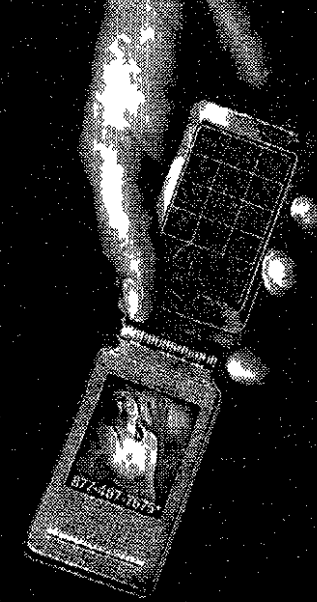
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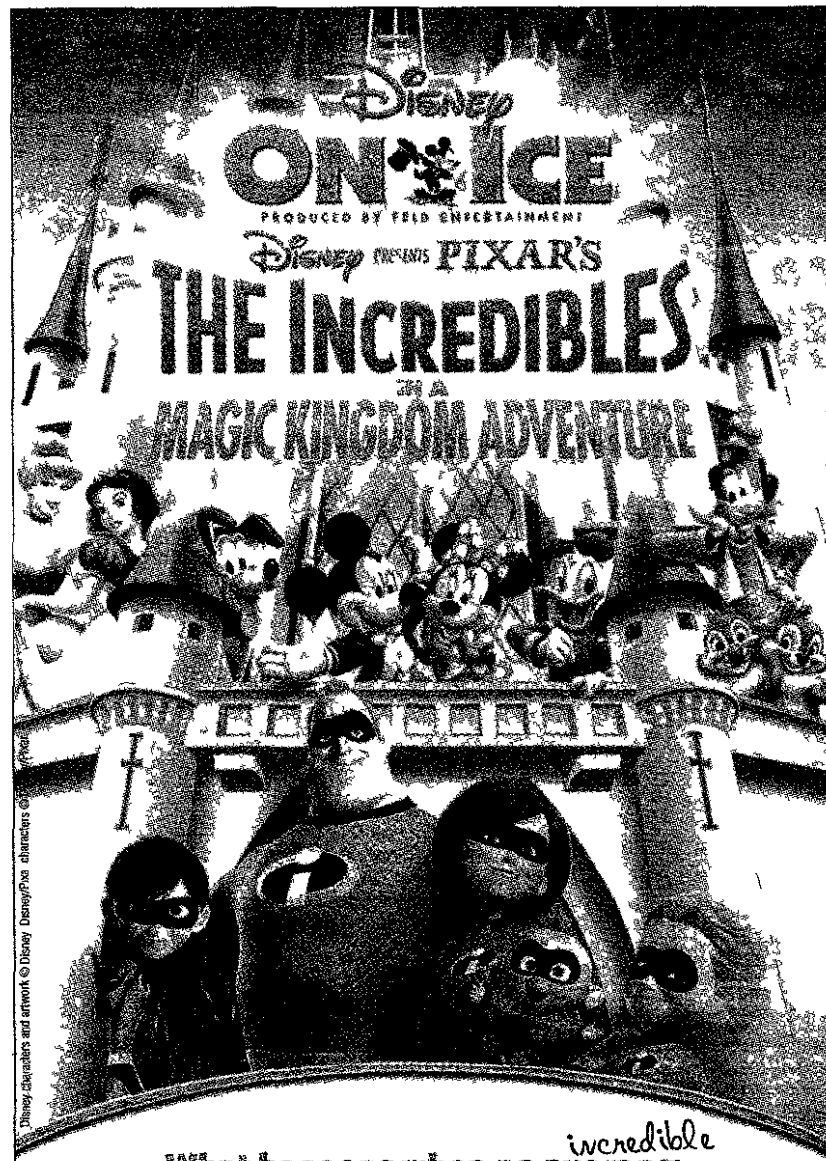
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## ART GALLERIES

### Art Leaders Gallery

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### Sisson Gallery

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### Washington Street Gallery

Adrienne Kaplan's current paintings in acrylic and watercolor through March 12 120 East Liberty Ann Arbor call (743) 761 2287 or visit [www.wsg.art.com](http://www.wsg.art.com)

### Ambient Gallery

*Detroit Sky* a solo exhibition of work by Darcel Deneau through March 11 17728 Mack Avenue Grosse Pointe (313) 882 8888 or [www.ambientgallery.com](http://www.ambientgallery.com)

### Sherry Washington Gallery

New collages and drawings by Benny Andrews entitled *Delivering Justice* and depicting the mailman who led the civil rights movement in Georgia through March 31 The L B King Building 1274 Library Street Detroit (313) 961 4500 or [www.sherrywashingtongallery.com](http://www.sherrywashingtongallery.com)

### Lemberg Gallery

New Work with Sharon Que and Sandra Osip through March 28 23241 Woodward Ferndale (248) 591 6623 [www.lemberggallery.com](http://www.lemberggallery.com)

### Arnold Klein

Gallery's 35th anniversary celebration urban views exhibition with Arms Christo Mershimer Murphy and others 11 a.m. 5 p.m. Tuesday Saturday 32782 Woodward Royal Oak (248) 647 7709

### Cass Cafe

*3 The Hard Way* a mixed media exhibition by Taurus Burns John Harkins and Harlan Lovestone through March 4 4620 Cass Ave Detroit (313) 831 1400

### Oakland Community College

Student Art Show Paintings ceramic works and arts and crafts items by students of the Highland Lakes Campus At the campus at Woodland Hall Library 7300 Cooley Lake Road Waterford 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday

### Farmington Community Library

*The Heart of a Woman* watercolors and drawings by Barbara Eko Murphy presented during American Heart Association's women's heart month in February now to March 2



Farmington Community Library 23500 Liberty Farmington (248) 553 0300

### Madonna University

Jean Paul Abou Dib's collection *Melancholia and the Human Psyche* through Feb 15 second floor of university's main building at Schoolcraft and Levan roads in Livonia (248) 875 7332

### Flatlanders Art Galleries

Four solo exhibitions drawings of Mille Gulbeck prints of Marc Folk drawings of Niki Havekost and paintings of Dan Stewart exhibited through March 12 (517) 486 4591

## ART ETC.

### Artrageous 2006

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### Detroit Symphony Orchestra

*The Sound of Music* Feb 23 26 \$15 66 Max M Fisher Music Center 3711 Woodward Detroit \$25 (313) 576 5111 or [www.detroitssymphony.com](http://www.detroitssymphony.com)

### Young People's Concert Series

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Larry Arbour 7:30 p.m. Saturday Feb 18 28557 Woodward Berkley (248) 336 9930

### Crazy Moe's Cafe

2 W Saginaw St Pontiac (248) 322 5550 Food dancing music

### Danny's Irish Pub

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### Emerald Theatre

Concert House dancing 32 N Walnut Mount Clemens (586) 913 1920

### Jam at The Gem

The series returns to the Gem Theatre patio every Thursday 5 8 p.m. Guests can enjoy summer drink specials appetizers and entrees from the Century Grille For more information call (313) 963-980 or visit online at [www.gemtheatre.com](http://www.gemtheatre.com)



## MUSIC

The fifth annual Valentine's Concert at the Detroit Opera House 1526 Broadway, features Little Anthony & The Imperials at 4 and 8 p.m. Saturday Feb 18 The Imperials will perform songs like *Tears on My Pillow*, while The Association will sing many of the band's favorites, like *Never My Love* Special guests are The Contours with Sylvester Potts, The Marvelettes and the Reflections The show is presented by WOMC-FM (104.3) Tickets are \$39 \$59, call (313) 961-3500

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### Double Olive

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### Fat Tuesday event

Mardi Gras Party benefits Catholic Social Services with the Polish Muslims band 6 10 p.m. Feb 28 at The Lafayette Grande 1 Lafayette Pontiac Advance tickets are \$40 per person no purchases at the door Wear your mask Buffet dinner included (248) 333 3700

## COMEDY

### Second City

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### Joey's Comedy Club

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### Wise Guys Comedy Club

Rob Magnotti with Dan Decapua and Joey Bielaska Feb 16 18 John Joseph with Johnny B and Joey Bielaska Feb 23 25 40380 Grand River Novi [www.wiseguyscomedyclubnovi.com](http://www.wiseguyscomedyclubnovi.com) (248) 919 3216

## Comedyfest

10th annual Michigan Lesbian & Gay ComedyFest featuring Poppy Champlin Ronn Vigh Dana Goldberg Dewey Chaffee and Rene Hicks 6 and 9:30 p.m. Saturday March 11 Ford Community and Performing Arts Center 15801 Michigan Ave (at Greenfield) Dearborn [www.comedyfest.org](http://www.comedyfest.org) (313) 537 3323

## DANCE

### Power Center

Japanese theater and dance troupe Pappa Tarahumara presents *Ship in View* 8 p.m. Feb 23 \$16 \$36 121 Fletcher Street University of Michigan campus Ann Arbor call the University Musical Society at (734) 764 2538 or outside the area code at (800) 221 1229 or visit [www.ums.org](http://www.ums.org)

## FAMILY

### Detroit Science Center

Exhibits include *A Journey to Our Future* is now open to accompany center's new permanent Space Laboratory exhibit 5020 John R Detroit \$6 \$7 call (313) 577 8400 or visit [www.detroitssciencecenter.org](http://www.detroitssciencecenter.org)

## FILM

### Detroit Film Theatre

Three documentary films honoring Black History Month *The Untold Story of Emmett Louis Till* 7 p.m. Feb 19 and *The Boys of Baraka* 7 p.m. Feb 26 Detroit Institute of Arts Auditorium 5200 Woodward Detroit call (313) 833 3237 or visit [www.dia.org/dft](http://www.dia.org/dft)

## JAZZ

### Jazz Club at the Max

Professors of Jazz at MSU with Kevin Mahogany 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Friday Feb 24 Max M Fisher Music Center 3711 Woodward Detroit \$25 (313) 576 5111 or [www.detroitssymphony.com](http://www.detroitssymphony.com)

### Bjazz Vespers

Mariena Studer & The Cliff Monear Trio with George Benson 6 8 p.m. Sunday Feb 19 at the First Baptist Church Willits and Bates streets in Birmingham (248) 644 0550

### Windsor Detroit Jazz Club

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Mahogany 8 30 p.m. Thursday Feb 23 at Pasent Theatre and Ingrid Jensen  
Wednesday March 22 at Stoddard Grand Tier Lounge (517) 432 2000 or 1 800 WHARTON or visit [www.whartoncenter.com](http://www.whartoncenter.com)

#### Jazz and dinner

*Kind of Blue Tuesdays* at Lola's Harmonie Park Led by the Gerard Evans Quartet the shows help talented local musicians to play one by one with the core group Jam sessions begin at 9 p.m. every Tuesday Located at 1427 Randolph Street in Detroit's Harmonie Park For dinner reservations or for more information please call (313) 962 0483

#### Jazz Benefit

Vocalist Barbara Ware and friends the Cliff Monear trio Sax Man George Benson and trumpeter Johnny Trudell 3 6 p.m. Sunday Feb 26 at Radisson (Kingsley) Hotel in Bloomfield Hills Performances benefit Women's Survival Center of Oakland County and the child care center Maggie's Rising Stars Advance tickets \$50 checks payable to Women's Survival Center can be sent to Christina Lovgren at Women's Survival Center 43097 Woodward Avenue Suite 102 Bloomfield Hills Michigan 48302

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Ursula Walker and Buddy Budson 9 30 p.m. 12 30 a.m. 4th floor lounge Friday nights 4421 Woodward at Canfield Detroit (313) 832 5700

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### ON STAGE

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Sportsmen's Dog Training Club of Detroit 74th and 75th All Breed Dog Obedience Trials demonstrates dog training skills 8 a.m. 6 p.m. Feb 25 and 26 in the Community Arts Building at the Michigan State Fairgrounds at Eight Mile

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Automotive Exhibit Drawing Power Motor City Ad Art in the Age of Muscle and Chrome through March Detroit Public Library Skillman Branch Library 121 Gratiot Avenue free (313) 628 2750

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Workshop on teaching about animal protection environmental preservation and cultural issues March 25 26 Detroit Zoo's Ford Education Center 8450 W 10 Mile Road Royal Oak \$180 before Feb 27 \$220 after Feb 27 \$70 for students both days visit [http://www.IHEd.org/programs/sowing\\_seeds.html](http://www.IHEd.org/programs/sowing_seeds.html) for information or call (207) 785 2224

### THEATER - COLLEGE

#### Bonstelle Theatre

William Shakespeare's *Othello* opens 8 p.m. Friday March 3 and continues through March 12 \$11 \$14 3424 Woodward Detroit (313) 577 2960 or visit [www.theatre.wayne.edu](http://www.theatre.wayne.edu)

#### Hilberry Theater

*Electra* by Sophocles runs through March 23 Wayne State University campus 4743 Cass Avenue Detroit \$15 \$28 and \$10 student rush tickets call (313) 577 2972 or visit [www.hilberry.com](http://www.hilberry.com)

#### Antony and Cleopatra

By William Shakespeare opens 8 p.m. March 3 runs through May 4 \$15 \$28 Hilberry Theatre

Wayne State University campus Detroit call (313) 577 2972 or visit [www.hilberry.com](http://www.hilberry.com)

### THEATER - COMMUNITY

#### CSRO Productions

*Sylvia* a comedy by A.R. Gurney Feb 24 March 12 Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 2 p.m. at the Historic Burgh 26060 Berg Rd. in Southfield admission is \$10 with a discounted price of \$8 for attendees who are 50 and older and children 12 and under (248) 796 4645

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*Escanaba in Da Moonlight* 8 p.m. Feb 17 and 18 Berwyn Center 26155 Richardson (two blocks south of Warren three blocks west of Beech Daly) \$10 adults \$8 students and seniors (313) 563 2905

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*The Pagans* Ann Noble's heartwarming celebration of the humanity and humor of a volatile Irish family whose interactions are stormy and affectionate 8 p.m. (except Sundays 2 p.m.) Feb 17 19 23 26 and March 2 4 tickets \$13 regular price \$10 on Thursdays (248) 553 2855 theatre is located at 32332 W 12 Mile Rd. Farmington Hills visit [www.farmingtonplayers.org](http://www.farmingtonplayers.org) for more information

#### Avon Players

Love Sex and the IRS play about an IRS auditor who visits a couple that isn't married and the woman of this couple is actually a man March 3 5 10 12 and 17 and 18 Friday and Saturday performances start at 8 p.m. Sunday matinees begin at 2 p.m. tickets for the show are \$14 and can be reserved by calling (248) 608 9077 The theater offers a \$12 student/senior discount rate for Sunday matinees Avon Players is located at 1185 Washington Road one mile east of the intersection of Tienken and Rochester Roads in Rochester Hills

#### South Lyon

Neil Simon's *Plaza Suite* presented by The Phoenix Players March 10 12 and 17 19 (Friday performances at 8 30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday performances at 4 p.m.) at South Lyon Theatre 126 E. Lake Street in South Lyon tickets \$15 include \$5 off dinner at Bistro 127 tickets can be purchased online at [www.thephoenixplayers.org](http://www.thephoenixplayers.org) or purchased by mail by calling Laura Smith tickets chairperson of The Phoenix Players at (810) 220 7963

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World premiere comedy by Edward J. Thomas opening Friday Feb 24 8 p.m. performances Fridays and Saturdays through March 25 at Broadway Onstage Live Theatre 21517 Kelly Road at Toepfer (8 1/2 Mile Road) in Eastpointe tickets \$16 \$14 for Feb 24 performance (586) 771 6333

### THEATER - PROFESSIONAL

#### Purple Rose Theatre

Jeff Daniels *Guest Artist* through March 18 The Purple Rose Theatre 137 Park Chelsea \$25 \$35 call (734) 433 7673 or visit [www.purpleosetheatre.org](http://www.purpleosetheatre.org)

#### Fisher Theatre

Robin Givens stars as Roxie Hart in *Chicago* March 5 Fisher Theatre 3011 W. Grand Blvd Detroit \$32 50 72 call (248) 645 6666 or visit [www.NederlanderDetroit.com](http://www.NederlanderDetroit.com) or at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

#### MeadowBrook Theatre

*Syncope* through March 5 207 Wilson Hall on the campus of Oakland University Rochester Hills \$20 \$36 call (248) 377 3300 or visit [www.mbtheatre.com](http://www.mbtheatre.com)

#### Breathe Art Theatre

*Hedwig and The Angry Inch* March 3 4 at the Loop Nightclub in Windsor and March 10 26 at Detroit's 1515 Broadway most performances slated at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. \$12 and \$20 call (519) 980 0607 in Windsor or (313) 965 1515 in Detroit

#### Heartland Theatre Company

Presents a staged reading of Weather by

Australian playwright Gary Baxter 7 30 p.m. Feb 20 at MeadowBrook Theatre 207 Wilson Hall on the campus of Oakland University Rochester Hills suggested donation \$5 visit [www.mbtheatre.com](http://www.mbtheatre.com) or [www.heartlandtheatre.com](http://www.heartlandtheatre.com) or call (248) 377 3300

#### Menopause the Musical

Celebrate the longest running professional production in Detroit history at the Gem Theatre Show times are 8 p.m. Tuesday Saturday and also 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday Tickets (\$39 50) can be bought through the Gem Theatre box office by calling (313) 963 9800 Ticketmaster charge by phone (248) 645 6666 and online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

### TICKETS ON SALE

#### Norma & Wanda

Written by Jeff Daniels at Gem Theatre 333 Madison Detroit Opens Feb 21 with open ended run \$30 50 39 50 call (313) 963 9800 (248) 645 6666 or visit [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

#### Annie

Plays Feb 21 26 at the Masonic Temple Theatre 500 Temple Avenue Detroit \$19 50 64 50 call (248) 645 6666 or go on line at [www.NederlanderDetroit.com](http://www.NederlanderDetroit.com) or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

#### University Musical Society

127th season Michigan League Ticket Office 911 North University Ave. Ann Arbor (800) 221 1229 all venues in Ann Arbor

#### Performance Network Theatre

2005 2006 season ticket packages available now \$85 \$102 five and six show packages season started in September 120 East Huron Ann Arbor (734) 663 0681 or [www.performancenetwork.org](http://www.performancenetwork.org)

#### Meadow Brook Theatre

Single tickets now on sale for all 2005 2006 performances (248) 377 3300 or [www.mbtheatre.com](http://www.mbtheatre.com)

#### Michigan Opera Theatre

35th anniversary opera season *Desperate Drives* and DaimierChrysler Dance Series \$23 \$113 at box office 1526 Broadway Detroit or (313) 237 7464 or [www.MichiganOpera.org](http://www.MichiganOpera.org)

#### Cirque du Soleil

*Delirium* the first ever live arena event is Feb 23 and 24 at the Joe Louis Arena Tickets are \$69 \$110 and can be purchased at all Ticketmaster outlets or by calling (248) 645 6666 or by visiting [www.celldoor.com](http://www.celldoor.com) or [www.olympiaentertainment.com](http://www.olympiaentertainment.com)

#### Sesame Street Live, Elmo's Coloring Book

Through Feb 26 at the Fox Theatre Tickets are \$12 \$22 and can be purchased at all Ticketmaster outlets or by calling (248) 645 6666 or visit [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

#### Sex and The Second City

Wild spoof of dating and relationships in 21st Century coming May 16 to Meadow Brook Theatre \$26 \$36 (248) 377 3300 or visit [www.mbtheatre.com](http://www.mbtheatre.com)

#### Three Mo' Tenors

At the Fisher Theatre 3011 W. Grand Blvd Detroit playing March 7 26 \$27 50 \$57 50 call (248) 645 6666 or go online at [www.NederlanderDetroit.com](http://www.NederlanderDetroit.com) or [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com)

#### The Genocide in Me

A film for the entire family it is a moving personal journey from the 1915 Armenian Genocide to contemporary North America via modern Turkey in which Canadian Armenian filmmaker Araz Artinian confronts the reality of her life and asks where do I belong Artinian will be present at the screening for a discussion following the film film is hosted by Edgar Hagopian and the Detroit United Committee for the Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide 7 30 p.m. showing Thursday March 9 Shriners Auditorium 24350 Southfield Road in Southfield \$10 adults \$5 for under 12 (248) 646 7847



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